

Analysis of Instruments for Decarbonisation and their Impact on the German Electricity Sector

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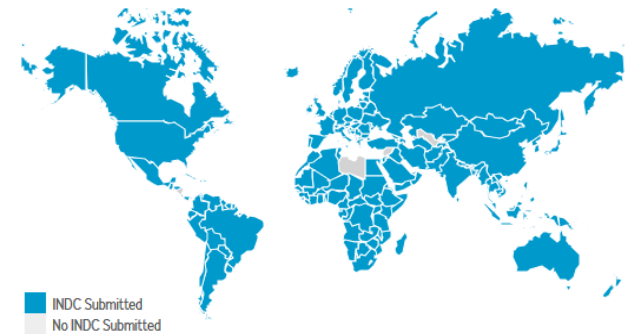
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Motivation

Changing Targets in Climate Policy

164 INDCs have been submitted under the Paris Agreement, representing 191 countries and 98.9% of global GHG emissions. [1]



→ Implementation of new climate policies and instruments required all over the world!

Most countries had policies and instruments in place before, with

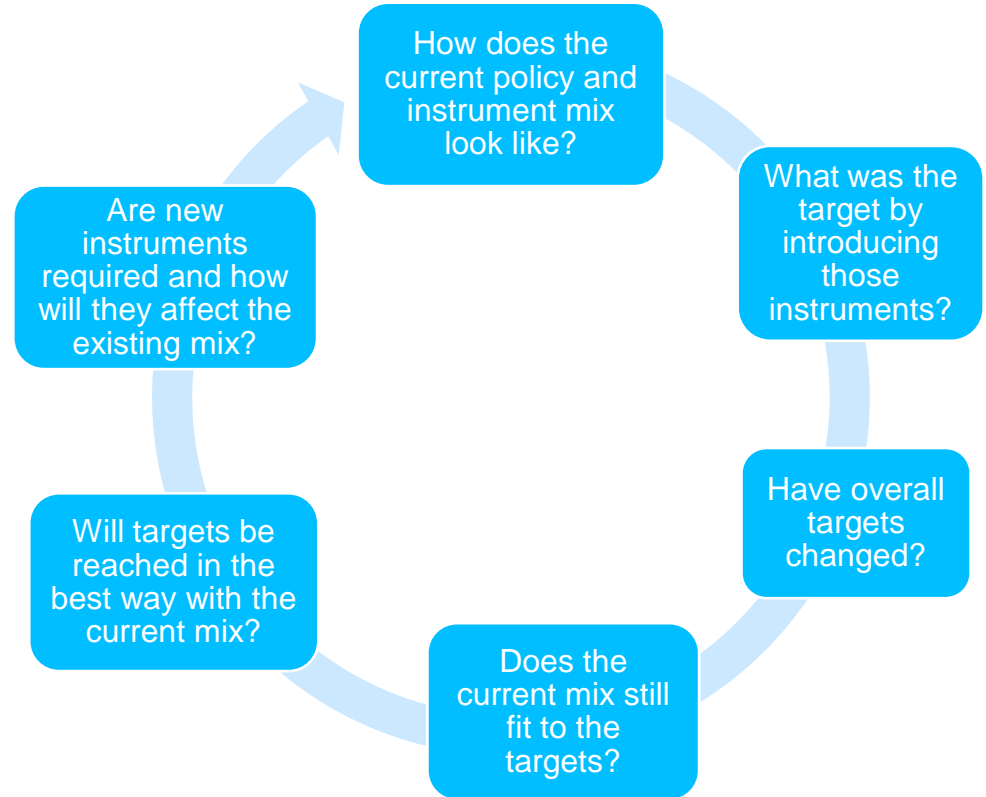
- different targets,
- different working mechanisms,
- on different levels (regional to international),
- focussing on different sectors.

Motivation

Climate Policy Mix

Literature review:

1. Implementation of more than one instrument useful ^[9]
2. BUT: interactions need to be taken into account when analysing policy instruments
3. Regular monitoring and evaluation of existing policy and instrument mixes required ^[3] ^[9]



Motivation

Climate Policy Mix in Germany

GHG targets relative to 1990 emissions

2016: -27%, power generation -16%

2020: -40%

2030: -40% (NDC), nationally more ambitious

2050: -80 to 95%, towards GHG neutrality

Source: [12],[10],[6],[13]

3 instruments with major effect on the power sector will be analysed:

	Overall Target	Instrument in Germany	Working mechanism
Renewable Energy Target	Supporting the development of technologies for power generation from RE	EEG (Erneuerbare-Energien-Gesetz)	Feed-in tariffs or quotas on generation from RE; works as subsidy for selected technologies
Cap and Trade	Limiting overall emissions	EU-ETS (European Emission Trading Scheme)	Sum of emissions covered is limited by a cap, emission rights can be traded between participants
Coal phase-out	Accelerating emission reduction in the power sector	in discussion	Coal and lignite power plants will legally be forced to shut down according to a preset phase-out plan

RE: Renewable Energy

Motivation

Interim Research Question

What effects do these 3 instruments have on the German power sector, especially regarding:

- Total costs
- Emission reduction (cumulated and share until 2050)
- Power and emission prices
- Distributional effects through costs and profits
- Investments: type and rentability
- Security of supply

Related Project: Kopernikus ENavi (<https://www.kopernikus-projekte.de/projekte/systemintegration>)

RES: Renewable Energy Sources; Enavi: Energiewende Navigationssystem

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Methodology

Modelling Policy Instruments

Evaluation criteria for instruments:

- Total costs
- Emission reduction (cumulated and share until 2050)
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First step: electricity
market model E2M2

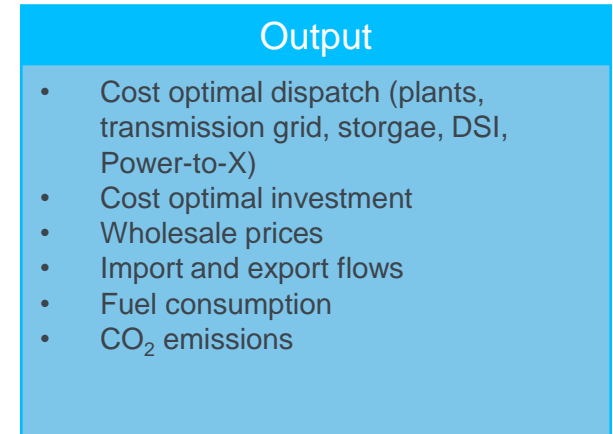
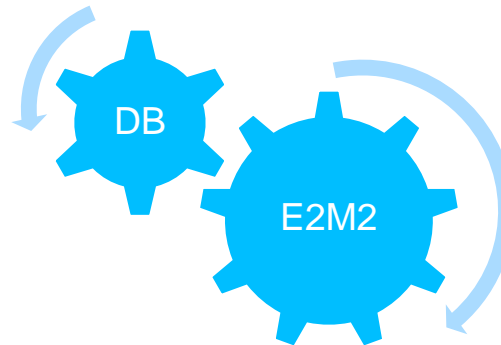
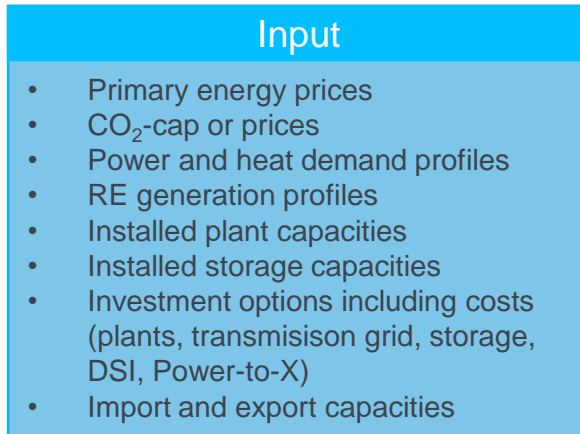
Literature: one modelling approach can only cover parts of a policy instrument analysis ^[4]

Methodology

European Electricity Market Model – E2M2

- Bottom-up fundamental electricity market model (objective: minimizing system costs)
- Linear (LP) or mixed-integer (MIP) optimization problem
- Endogenous optimization of plant dispatch and investment

$$\text{Min. } c_{ges} = \sum_{t,u,s} (c_{fix} + c_{var} + c_{inv})$$

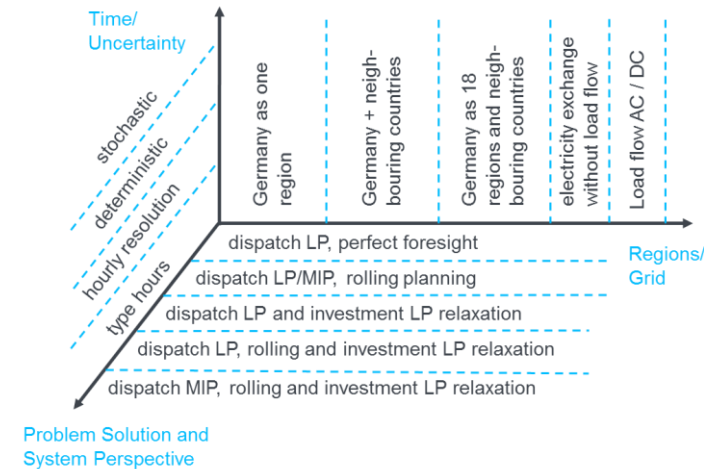


Methodology

E2M2 – Key Assumptions

Basic model set-up with high resolution in time and power plants, to focus on basic effects:

Period + resolution	2015 to 2050, 2 hours time resolution
Regional	Germany as one region without import and export
Power plants	breakdown to plant level
Investment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 4 conventional power plants, 3 types of storage, 2 photovoltaik, wind onshore and offshore cost from WEO 2016, constant no upper bounds
Power demand	constant until 2050
Technology	nuclear phase-out in all scenarios no CCS
Primary energy prices	from WEO 2016
RE shedding	no
Transmission grid	not considered



Methodology

Scenarios

1. RES – Renewable Energy Share →

2. CAT – Cap and Trade

3. CPO – Coal Phase-Out

4. MIX – combination of all 3 measures

Target: 80% of power generation from renewable sources in 2050 ^[5]

Modelling:

- Share of demand covered by RE plants fixed for every year until 2050
- Installed capacities for PV, biomass and wind offshore fixed, endogenous investment in wind onshore to comply with RE share

Methodology

Scenarios

1. RES – Renewable Energy Share

2. CAT – Cap and Trade 

Target: 95% emission reduction for the German electricity sector in 2050 ^[6]

Modelling:

- fix upper bound on yearly emissions
- all investments possible

3. CPO – Coal Phase-Out

4. MIX – combination of all 3 measures

Methodology

Scenarios

1. RES – Renewable Energy Share

2. CAT – Cap and Trade

3. CPO – Coal Phase-Out 

Target: No power generation from coal or lignite plants after 2035 acc. WWF ambitious scenario ^[7]

Modelling:

4. MIX – combination of all 3 measures

- fix shut-down date for all coal and lignite plants
- no new investments in coal or lignite plants

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Scenarios

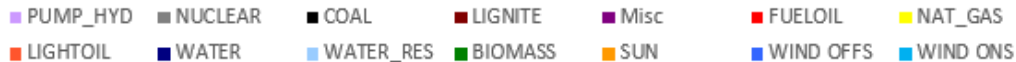
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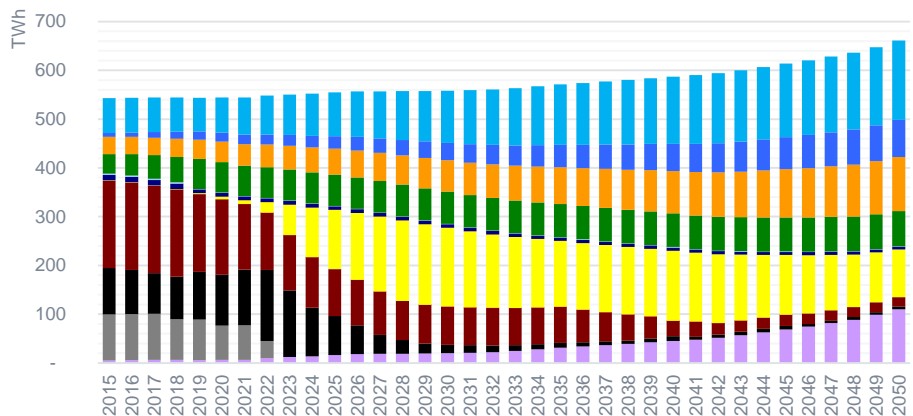
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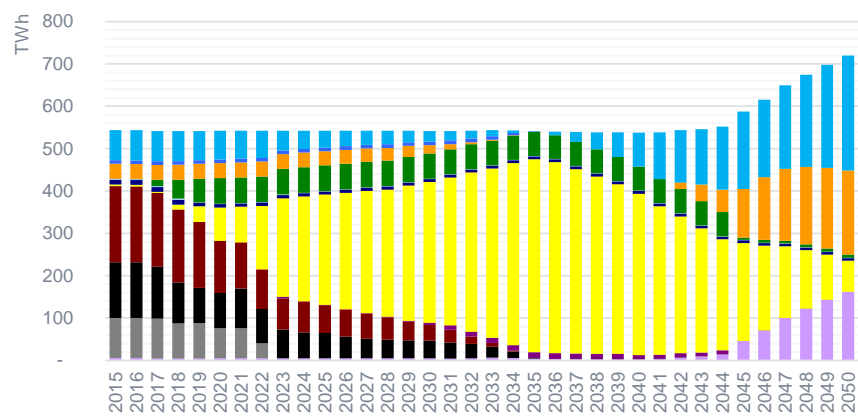
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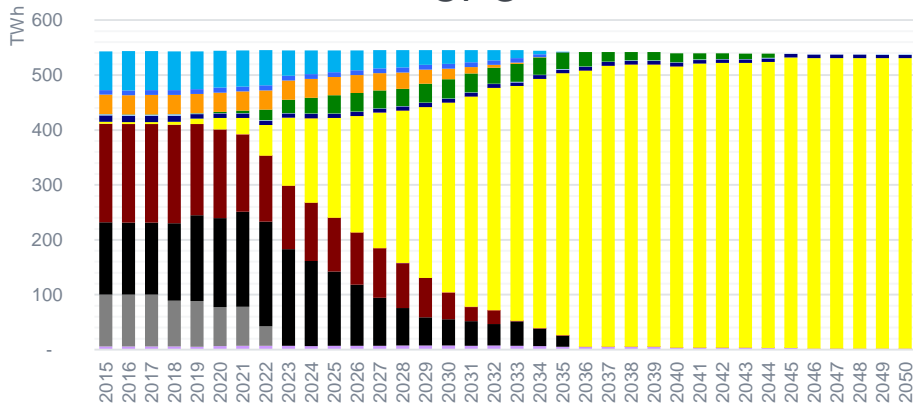
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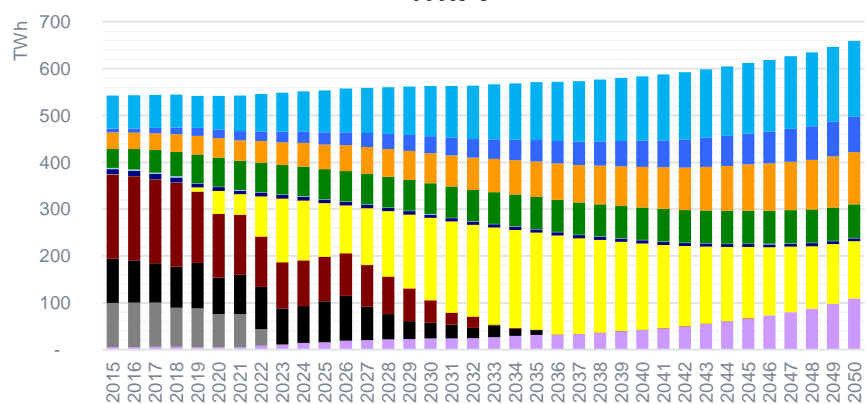
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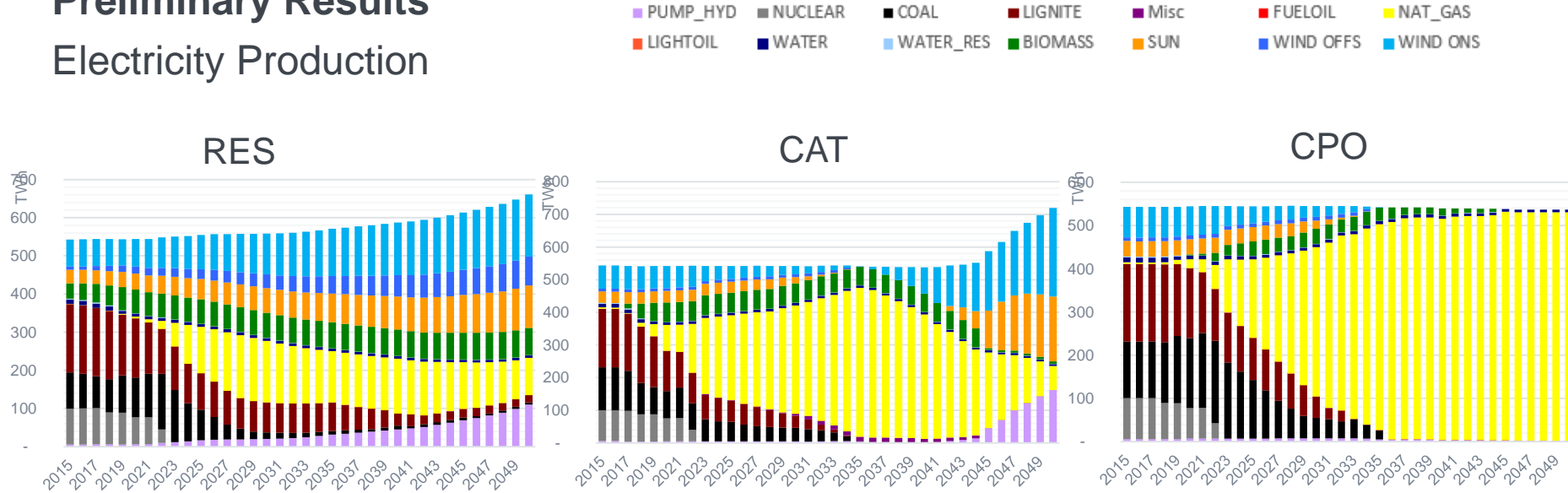


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Preliminary Results

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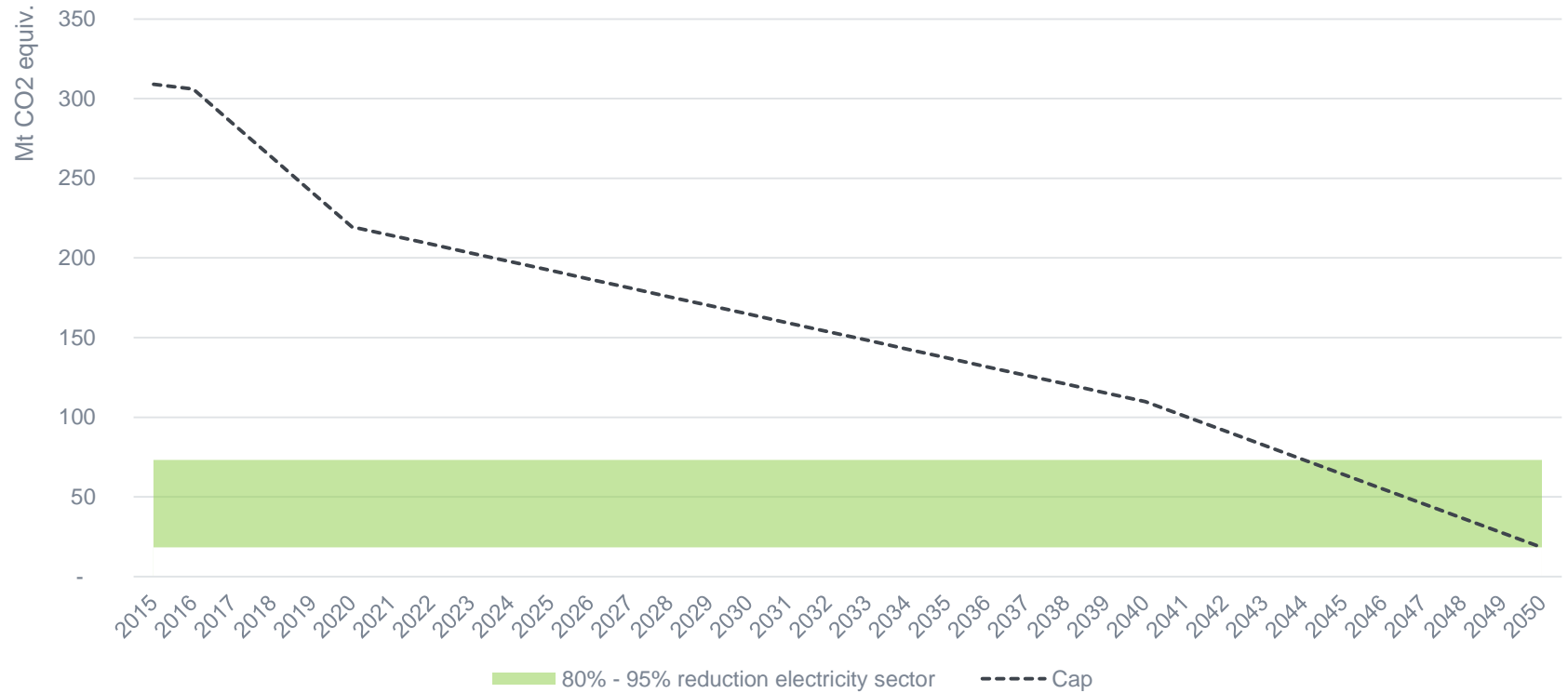


- CAT: If they are not supported, renewables „die on the way“ until cap is tight enough
- Current cap results in a „natural“ coal phase-out for lignite in 2041 and coal in 2045
- Power mix 2050 similar, except CPO
- Main differences: phase-out of coal and amount of invested gas capacities

Remark: Model generates cost optimal solution, but only on a yearly basis

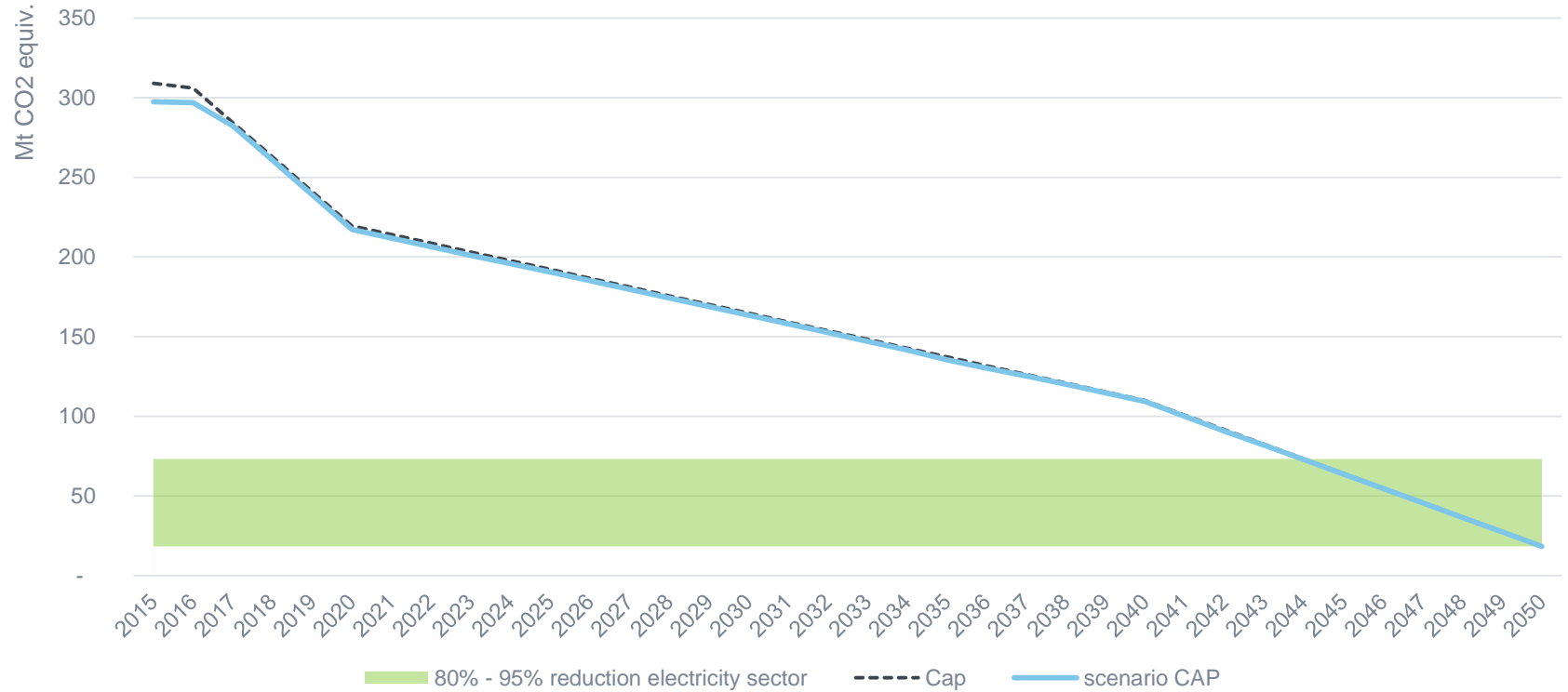
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Comparison: Yearly Emissions



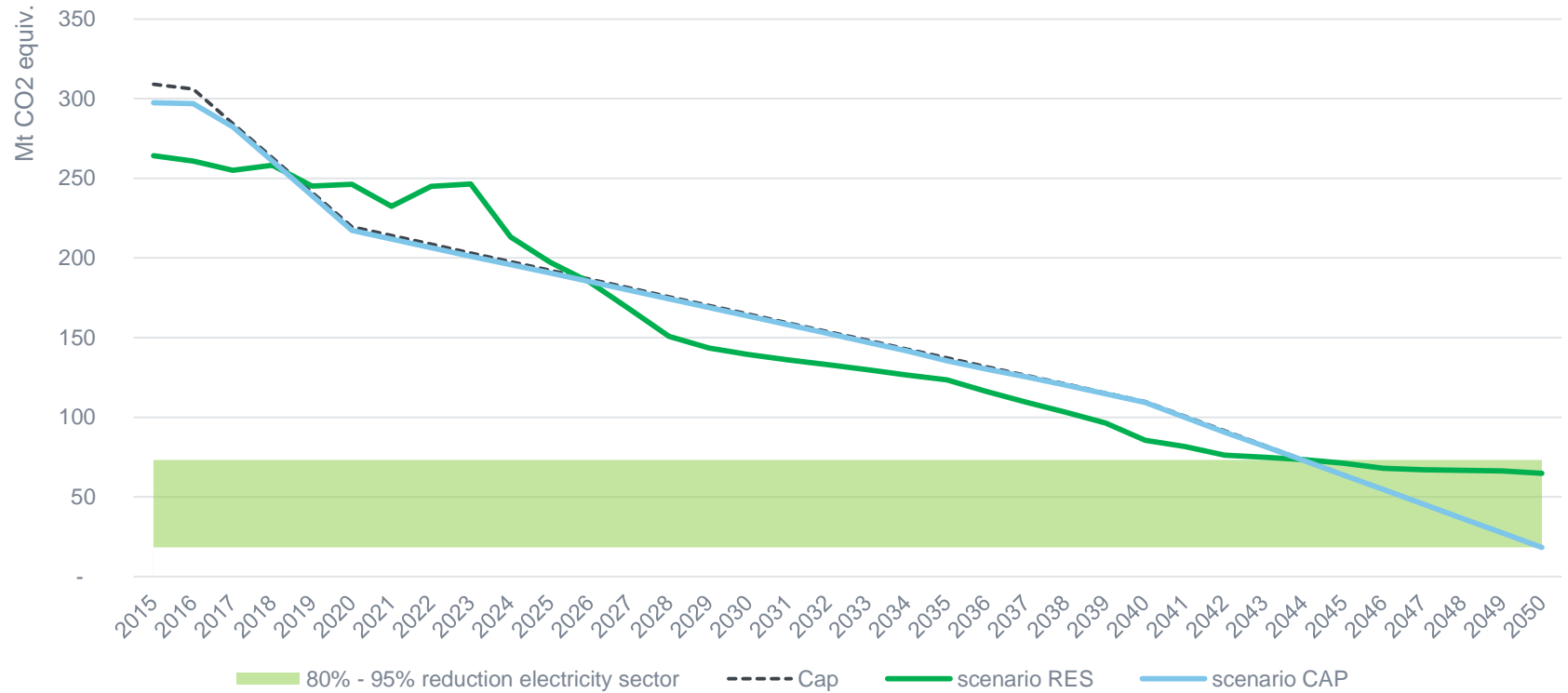
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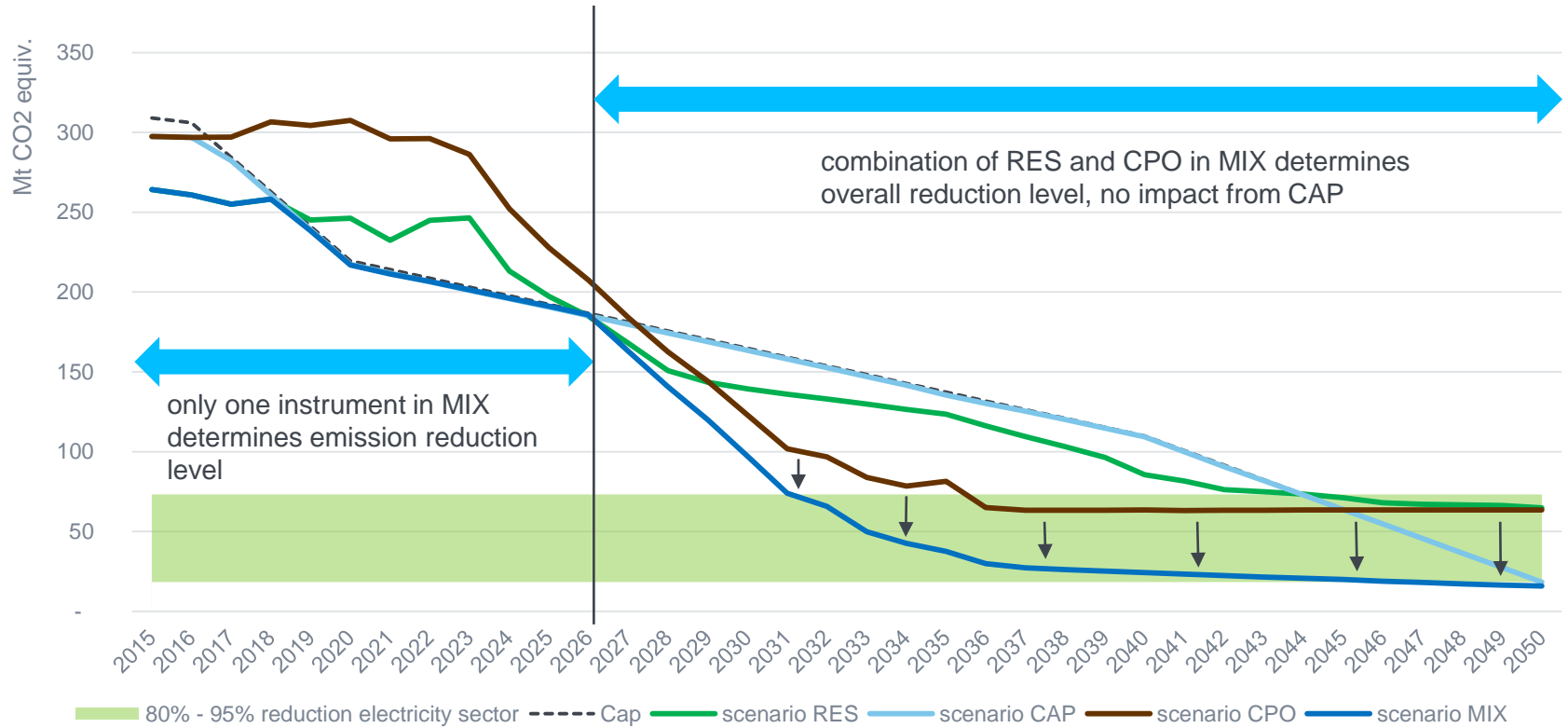
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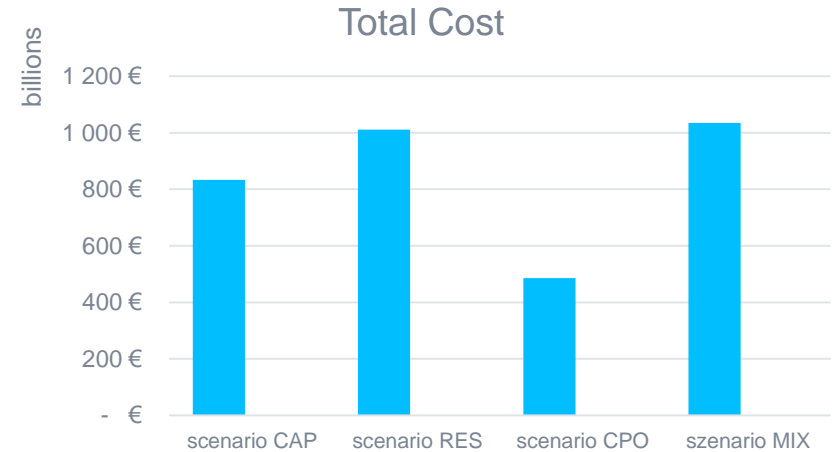
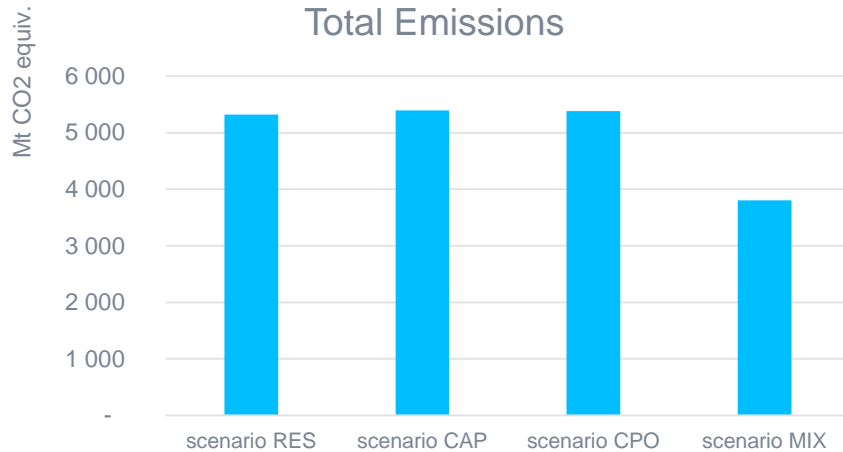
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Comparison: Yearly Emissions



Preliminary Results

Comparison: Total Costs and Emissions until 2050



- Cumulated emissions for isolated scenarios similar
- 4 Gt only reached in MIX scenario (with constant electricity demand!)
- MIX: lowest cumulated emissions, but highest costs

Carbon budget German electricity sector acc. WWF [8]

	CO ₂ -Budget ab 2015	
	national	Stromsektor
	Gt CO ₂	
1,5°C bei 66% der Modellläufe	2,7	1,1
1,5°C bei 50% der Modellläufe	4,4	1,7
1,5°C bei 33% der Modellläufe	7,7	3,1
2°C mit 66% Wahrscheinlichkeit	9,9	4,0
2°C mit 50% Wahrscheinlichkeit	11,2	4,5
2°C mit 33% Wahrscheinlichkeit	14,4	5,8

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Outlook

Validation of Results and Next Steps

Run several MIX scenarios to find total cost optimal solution

Validation of results through impact of:

- neighbouring countries
- Shedding, renewable integration costs
- back-up capacity
- technology cost decrease
- heat
- Power-to-X (esp. power-to-gas-to-power)
- CCS
- sector linking effects, etc.

Address other evaluation criteria:

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assessed with E2M2

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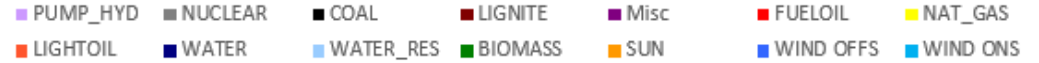
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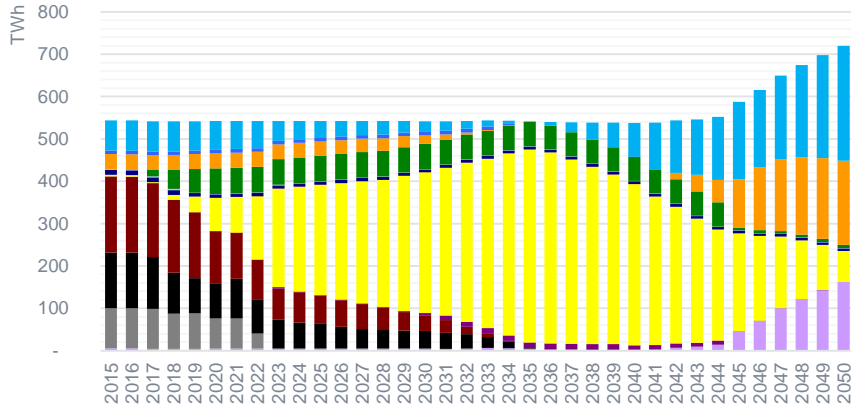
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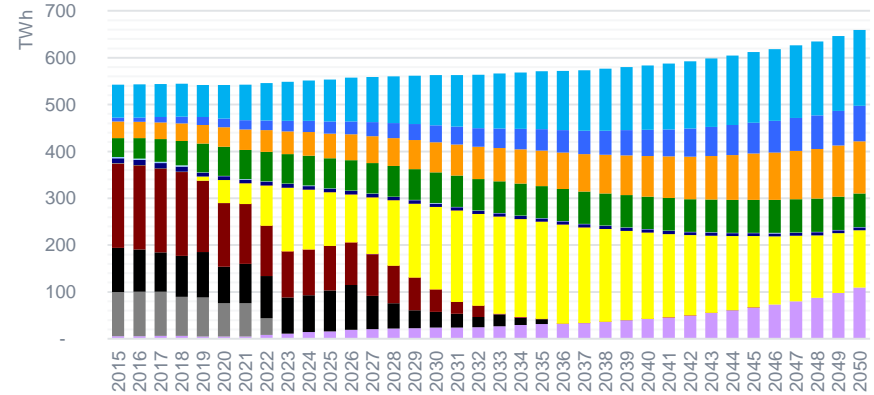
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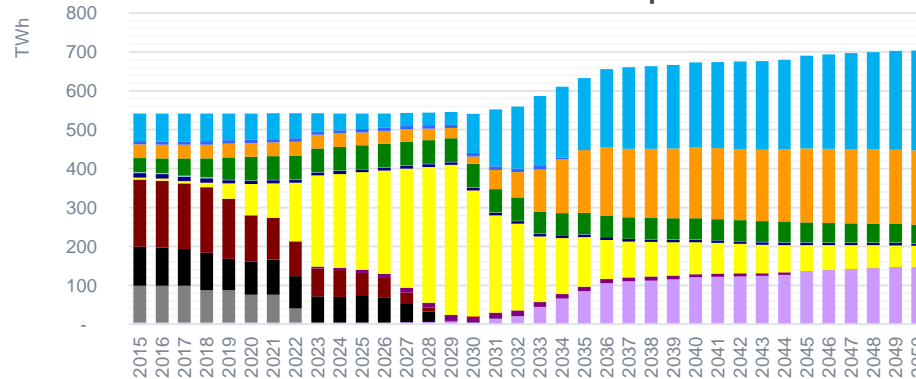
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MIX emissions as cap



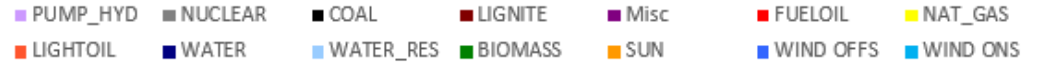
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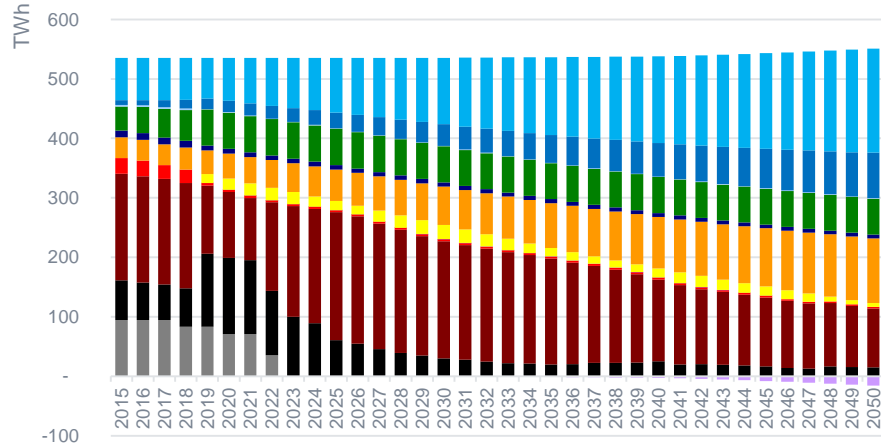


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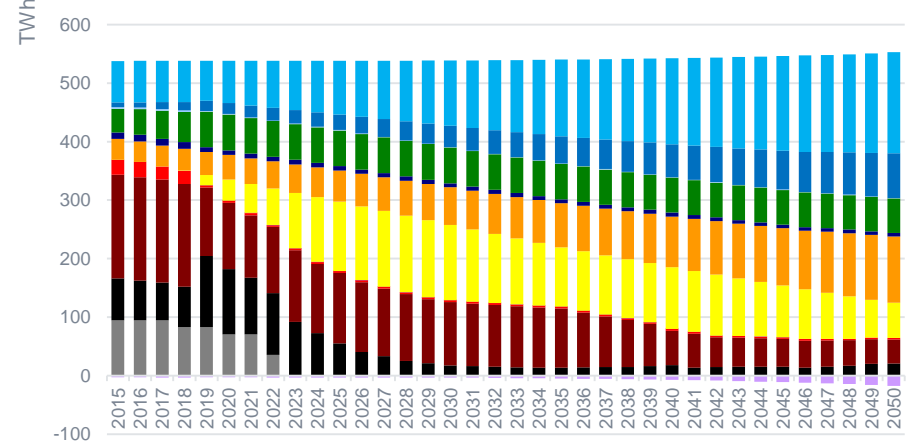
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RES_144 hrs



RES_4380 hrs



RES_8760 hrs

