ENERGY TRANSITION OUTLOOK 2019: POWER SUPPLY AND USE

A global and regional forecast to 2050

The energy transition we forecast is fast...

By 2032:

By 2050:



50% of light vehicles sold worldwide will be electric



Electricity's share in energy use doubles from 19% today to 40% in 2050



Renewables will provide almost 80% of the electricity mix



Generation from solar PV and wind will be more than 20 times today's output



Installed capacity for solar PV and wind will generate 63% of the world's electricity

...but not fast enough

+2.4°C



Carbon emissions will not fall sufficiently by **2050** to reach the Paris Agreement goal of **2°C** global warming, let alone **1.5°C** – we estimate a rise in average global temperatures of **2.4°C** by the end of the century



Technology has the power to close the emissions gap to well below 2° C. At DNV GL, we believe a combination of measures can get us there:





Grow solar power by more than 10 times to 5 TW and wind by 5 times to 3 TW by 2030, which would meet 50% of the global electricity use per year



Create new infrastructure for charging electric vehicles on a large scale



Rapid and wide deployment of carbon capture, utilization and storage installations



50-fold increase in production of batteries for the 50 million electric vehicles needed per year by 2030, plus investments in more storage and balancing solutions to accommodate the growth of solar and wind power



Green hydrogen to heat buildings and industry, fuel transport and make use of excess renewable energy in the power grid



Invest more than
\$1.5 trn annually in
the expansion and
reinforcement of power
grids by 2030,
including ultra-high
voltage transmission
networks and
extensive demandresponse solutions



For the heavy industry sector: increased electrification of manufacturing processes, including electrical heating. Onsite renewable sources combined with storage solutions



Increase global energy efficiency improvements by **3.5%** per year within the next decade



Improved and cheaper heat-pump technologies and improved insulation



Massive rail expansion both for city commuting and long-distance passenger and cargo transport

Time is against us

Governments need to take extraordinary policy actions now, and work with businesses and citizens. DNV GL calls for:







By **2020**, all **197** countries that signed the Paris Agreement must raise and realize increased ambitions for their updated Nationally Determined Contributions (NDC's) and move to faster implementation.

With the first NDCs submitted to the United Nations
Framework Convention on Climate Change secretariat,
75% currently refer to renewable energy, and 58%
to energy efficiency. DNV GL appeals to political leaders
that both these percentages need to be 100% in the
second NDCs.

The transition is affordable

The world will spend an ever-smaller share of GDP on energy, allowing for greater investment to accelerate the transition

We need to
change the mindset
from 'business-as-usual'
to 'business-as-unusual'
to fast-track the
energy transition
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