

# Energy transition in Germany and the EU



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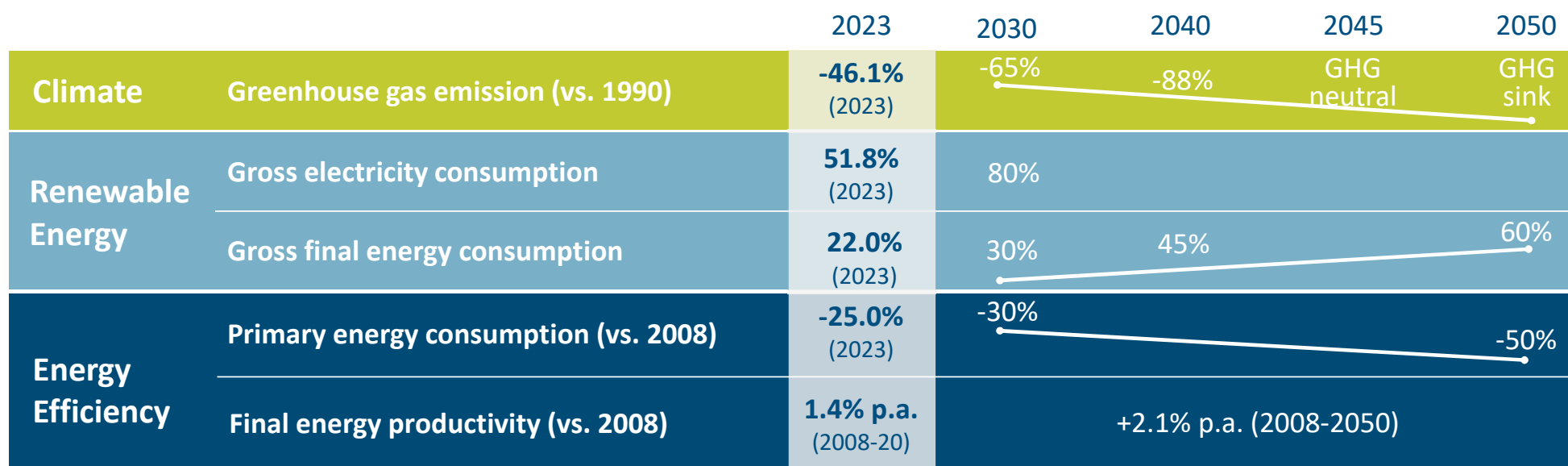
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# The EU and Germany have set themselves mid- and long-term climate and energy targets

	 Germany				 EU	
Targets	2030	2040	2045	2050	2030	2050
Climate						
Greenhouse gas emissions (GHG) reduction Reduction compared to 1990 levels, including all sectors.	65%	88%	GHG neutral	GHG net sink	55%	GHG neutral
Renewable energy sources (RES)						
RES share in gross final energy consumption	30%	45%		60%	>42.5%	
Energy efficiency						
	30%			50%	32.5%	
Primary energy consumption reduction	Increase in energy efficiency compared to 2008.				Increase in energy efficiency compared to PRIMES business-as-usual scenario.	

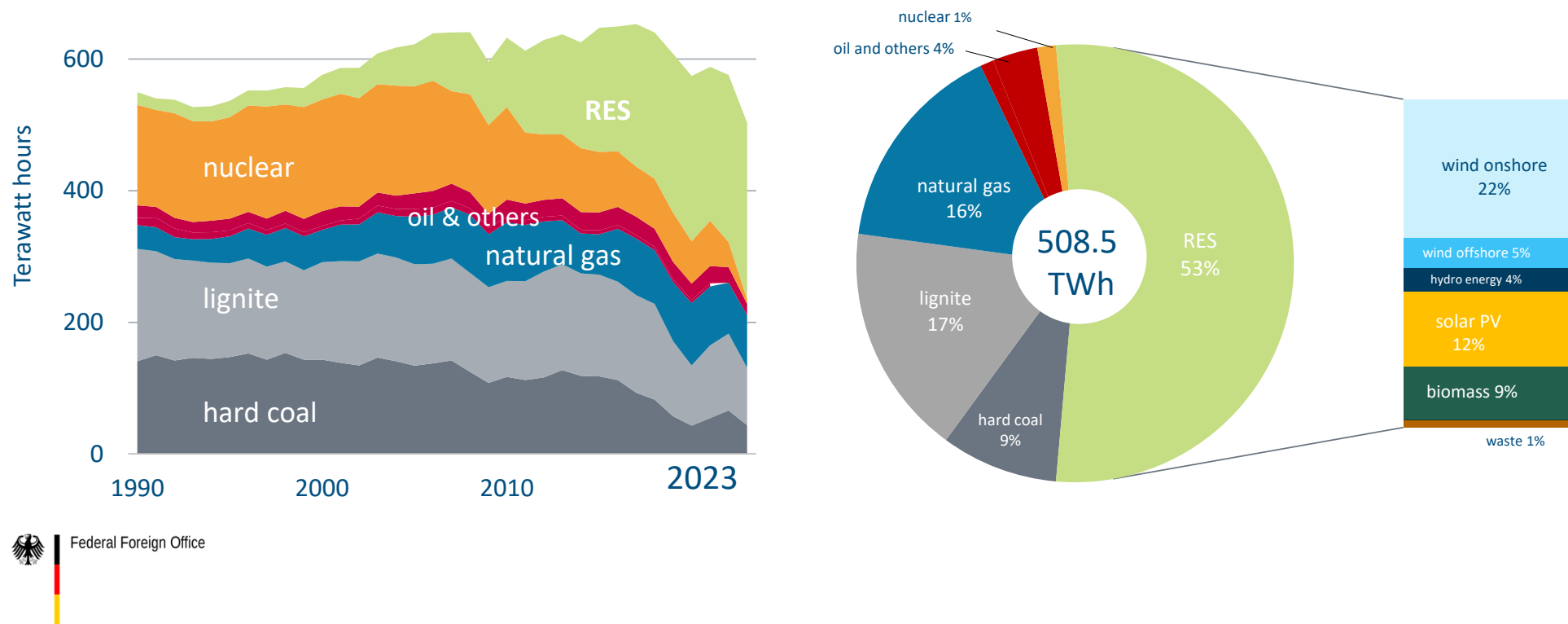
# The energy transition is Germany's long-term energy and climate strategy



Source: Guidehouse April 2024, based on UBA 2024 & BMWK 2021

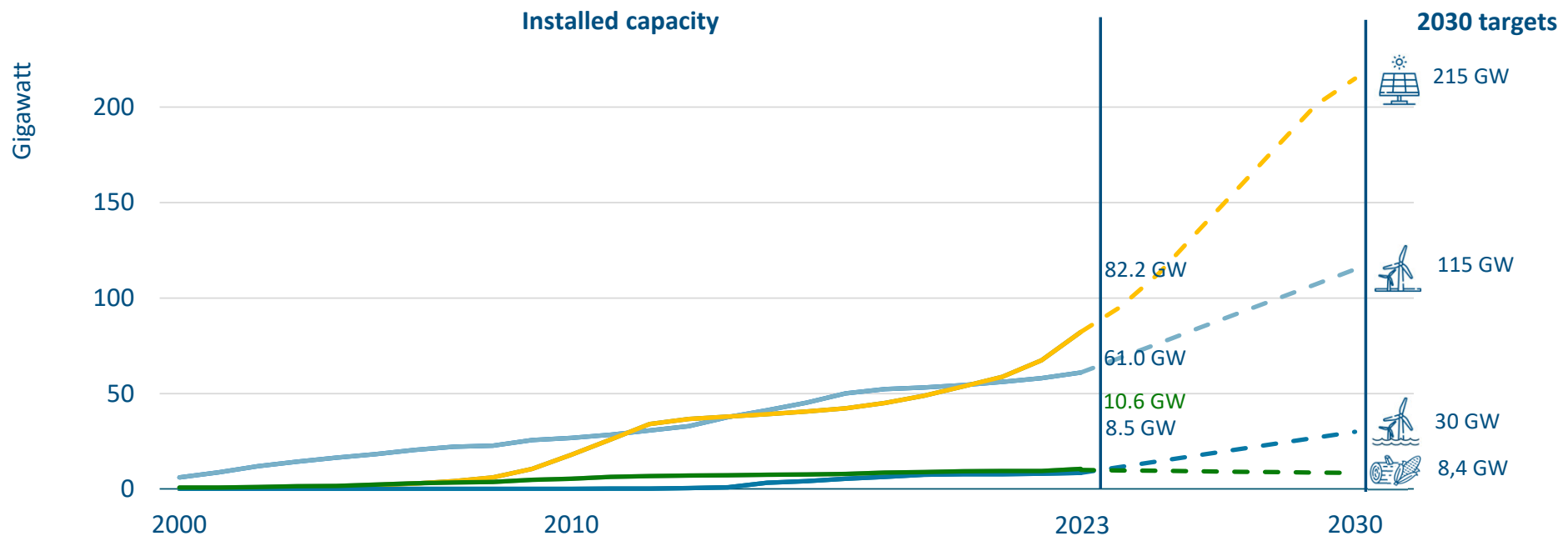
# Renewables account for 53% of the total electricity generation in Germany

Development and status quo of gross electricity generation by sources in Germany in 2023



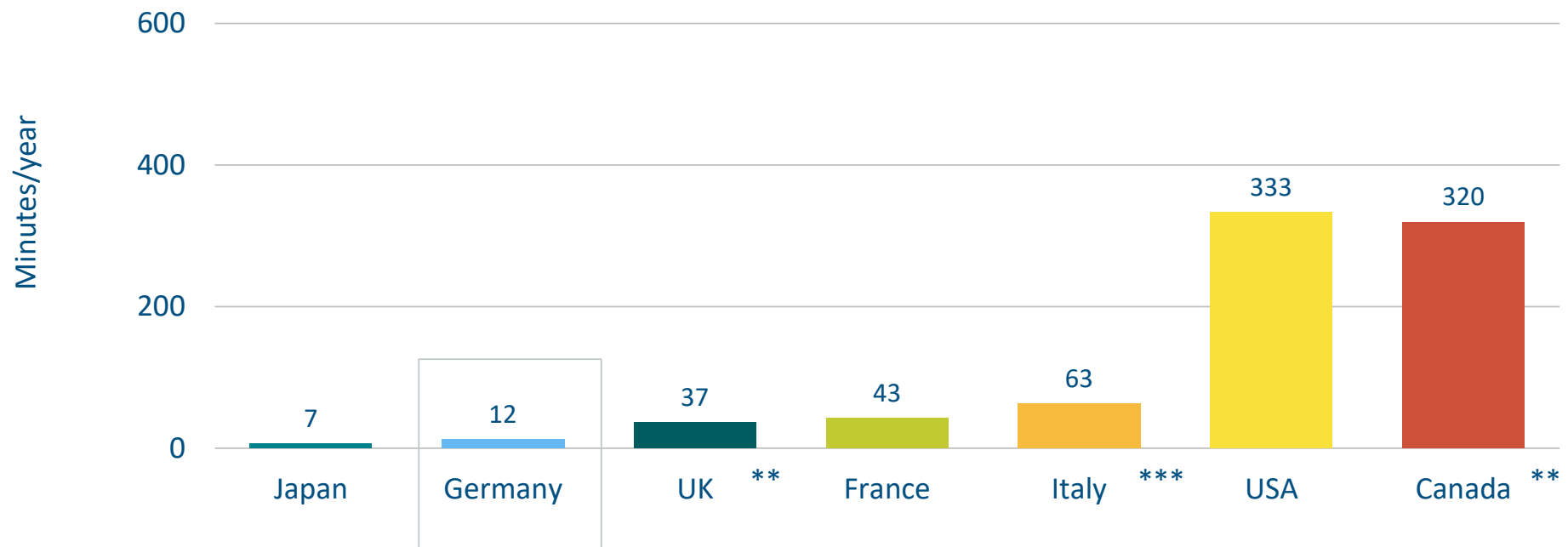
# Germany has set ambitious capacity targets for renewable energies

Renewable energy installed capacity 2000-2023 and capacity targets for 2030 per technology



# The security of Germany's electricity supply remains one of the highest worldwide

Duration of unplanned electricity outages per year based on SAIDI\* in 2022 for G7 countries



\* SAIDI = System Average Interruption Duration Index

\*\* 2020 value

\*\*\* 2021 value

# National Hydrogen Strategy 2.0: Key action areas for 2023 – 2030 (Phase 2)

## 1. Ensuring sufficient supply



- 2030: **10+ GW domestic ELY capacity, 50-70% H2 imports**
- Domestic, EU and international **funding instruments**

## 2. Building up H2 infrastructure (terminals & pipelines; storage; fuelling)



- H2-ready and dedicated **port terminals**
- 1,800 km in Germany ("**Start grid**") via IPCEI *until 2027/28*
- +4,500 km EHB ("**Core grid**"; 2/3 repurposed) *until 2032*
- H2 storage and fuelling stations

## 3. Establishing H2 applications



- **Industry** (supported by EU-IPCEI, CCfDs and domestic industrial decarbonization funding programmes)
- Heavy **transport, aviation**, maritime **shipping**
- **Power sector** (flexibility, system integration)

## 4. Creating an appropriate regulatory and market environment



- Simplified, accelerated **planning & permitting** procedures
- Standards & **certification**
- **R&D, Innovation**



The strategy sketches the short term (2023) and medium-term measures (2024/25) for reaching those goals

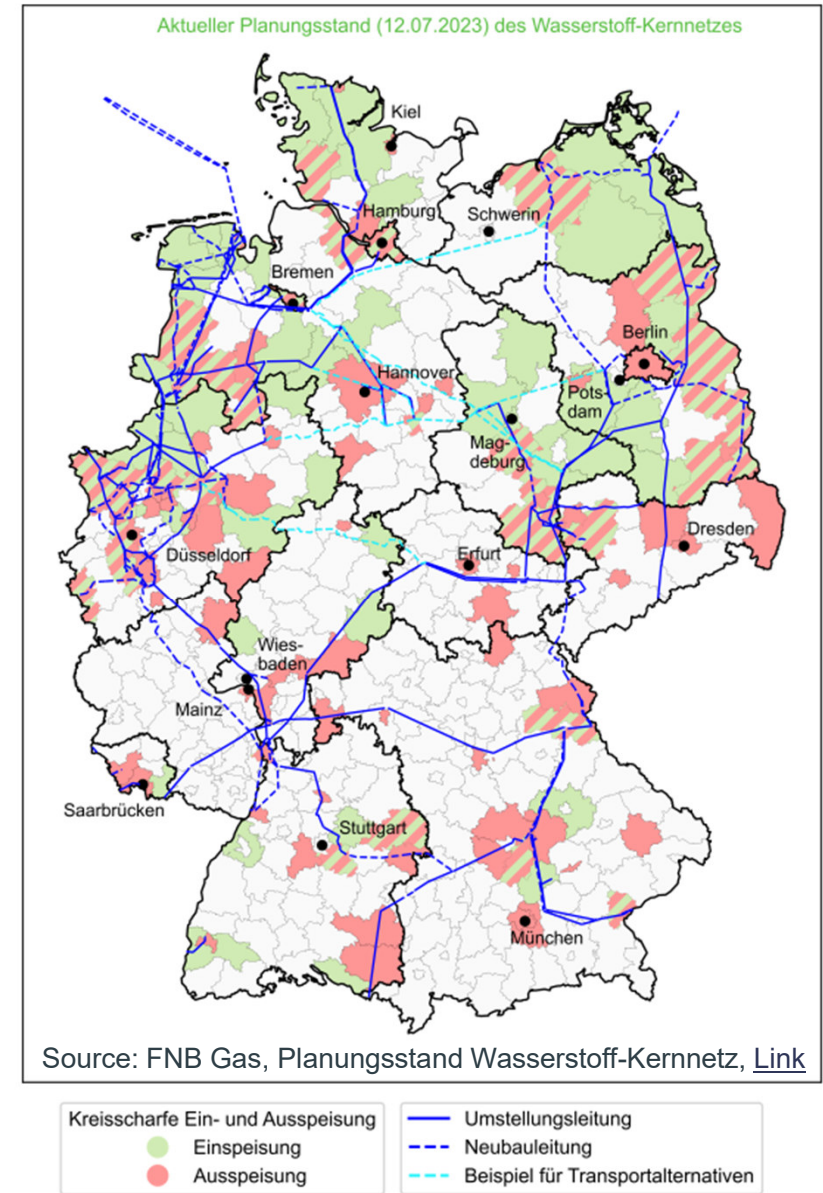
# National Hydrogen Core Network

## *Significance and state of play*

- German TSOs to build pipeline network of 9,700 km, connecting major import- and supply hubs with (industrial) demand hubs by 2037
- Government sets up a so-called amortization account for the collection of TSO revenues and costs
- Grid fees are capped; If deficits remain by 2055, government will offset these
- Coalition has agreed; TSOs must now determine if investments will follow and hand in proposal to regulator
- Next steps:

Grid fees must be determined,

Extension / Connection of core network to gas grids on distribution level





# Germany applies a range of instruments to support the decarbonisation of its energy-intensive industry

## Carbon pricing



**EU Emission trading system** puts a price on carbon



**Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism** aligns the carbon prices of goods imported into the EU with goods produced in the EU

## Funding programmes



**Carbon Contracts for Difference** offset additional costs of climate-friendly production technologies



**Important Projects of Common European Interest** receive financial support to innovative industry projects, e.g. on hydrogen

## Regulation



**Green lead markets** to enhance the attractiveness of green industrial products



**Carbon Management Strategy** sets regulatory framework for CC(U)S for hard to abate sectors, such as cement



















# Carbon Management Strategy

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## Germany's cornerstones for a Carbon Management Strategy (26 February 2024)



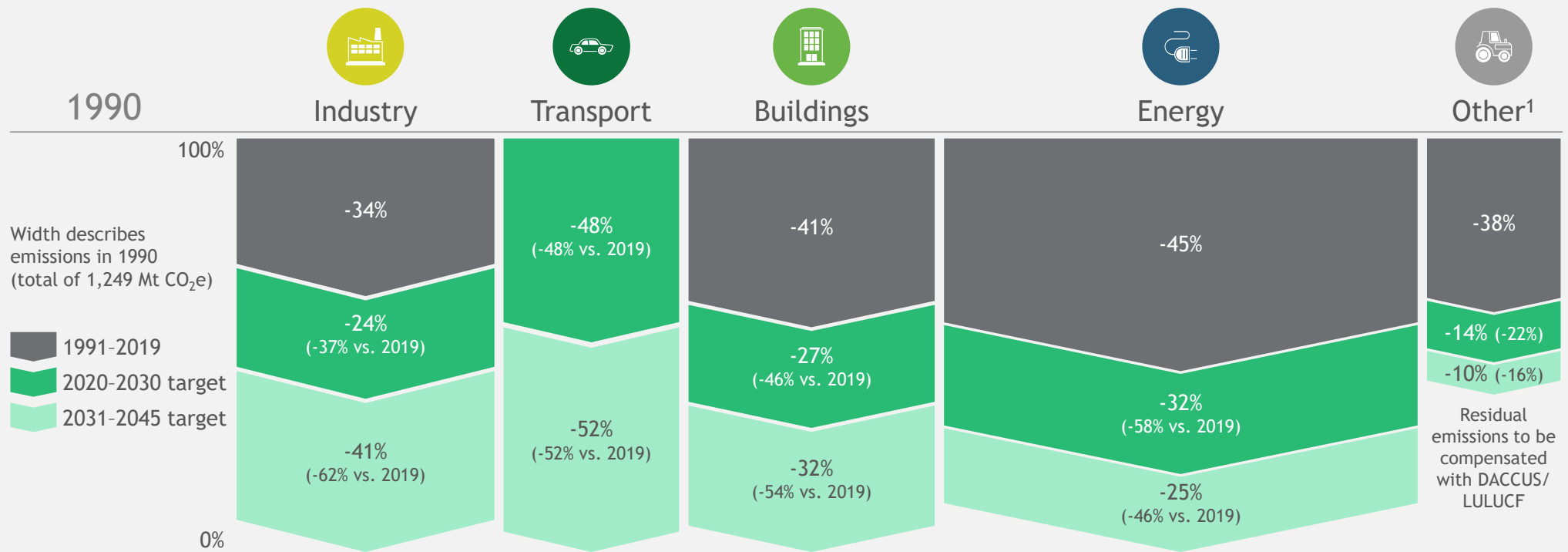
Value chain	Sector	Allowed?	Explanation
 <b>Carbon capture</b>	 <b>Industry</b>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>CCS/CCU to focus on <b>hard-to-abate industries</b> such as cement, lime and waste</li> <li><b>Government support</b>, e.g. Carbon CfDs (CCfDs)</li> </ul>
	 <b>Power generation</b>	<div> <div>Gas &amp; bio </div> <div>Coal </div> </div>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>CCS/CCU <b>allowed</b> for <b>natural gas</b> power plants (but <u>no</u> government support) and <b>biomass (BECCS)</b></li> <li>CCS/CCU <b>not allowed</b> for <b>coal-fired</b> power plants</li> </ul>
 <b>Carbon transport</b>	 <b>Domestic</b>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Amendment of legal framework to <b>facilitate carbon transport</b> in privately operated <b>domestic</b> pipelines</li> </ul>
	 <b>Export</b>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ratification of London protocol and amendment of national legal framework to <b>enable carbon export to offshore</b> storage abroad</li> </ul>
 <b>Carbon storage</b>	 <b>Onshore</b>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>No federal permission</b> for <b>onshore</b> carbon storage</li> <li>But <b>opt-in for federal states</b> to permit onshore storage</li> </ul>
	 <b>Offshore</b>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Amendment of German carbon dioxide storage law (KSpG) to <b>enable offshore storage</b> in German exclusive economic zone (AWZ)</li> </ul>

Source: LinkedIn, Matthias Janssen,  
<https://www.linkedin.com/feed/update/urn:li:activity:7168506881269874688/>

# Climate Change Act: Sector targets in 2030, GHG neutrality in 2045

Relative emissions development in Germany by sector 1990–2045

% of 1990 emissions

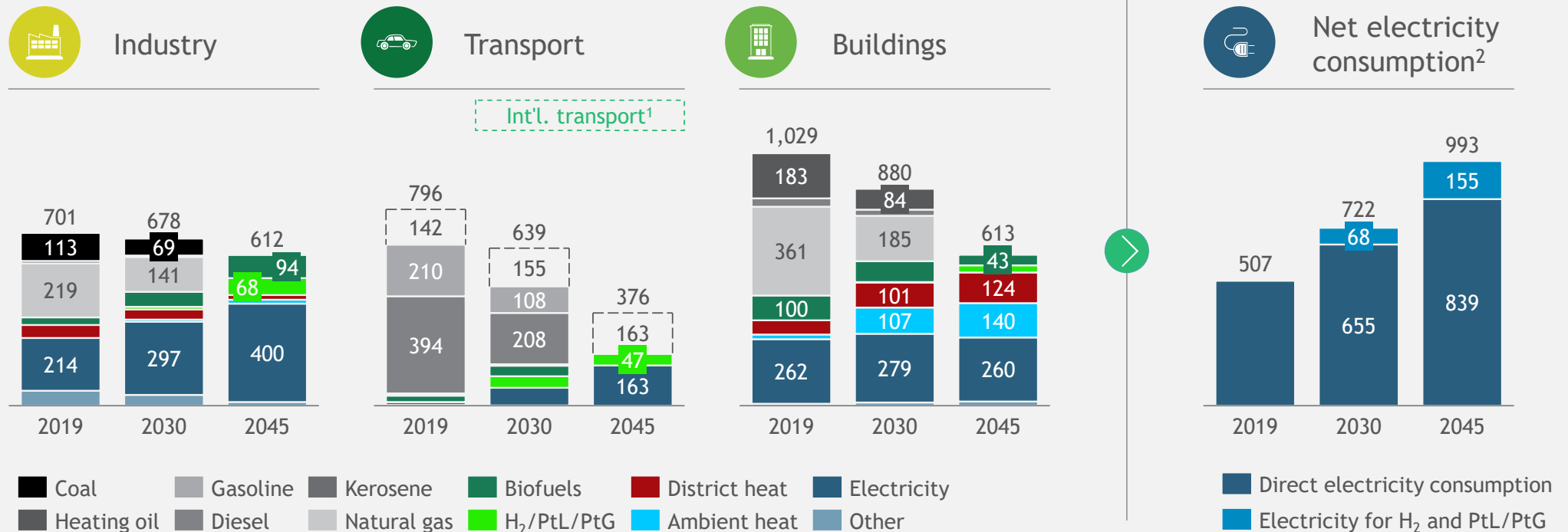


1. Agriculture, waste management, and other | Note: Transport in 2019 largely stable compared to 1990; bioenergy with carbon capture, utilization, and storage (BECCUS) is displayed as negative emissions in the industrial and energy sector; DACCUS = direct air carbon capture, utilization, and storage; LULUCF = land use, land-use change, and forestry  
Source: German Environment Agency (2021); BCG analysis

# Electricity is the transformation's central energy carrier

## Final energy consumption and net electricity consumption

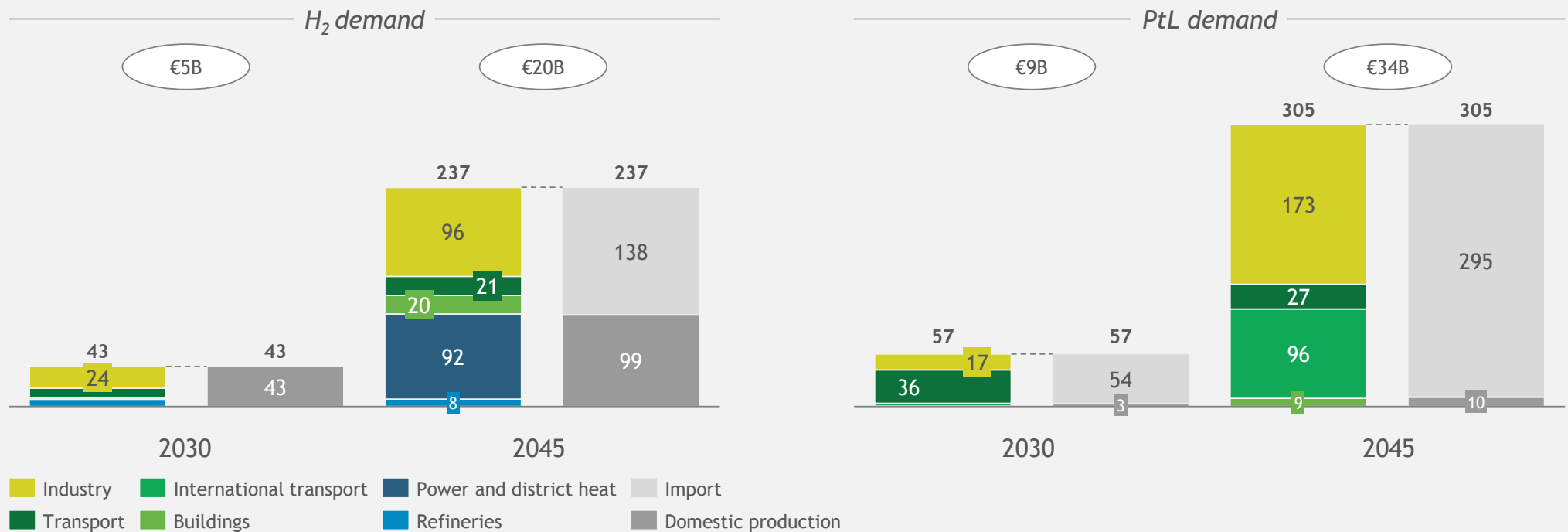
TWh



1. Assumption: International transport originating in Germany should also be converted to carbon-neutral fuels by 2045 2. Total power consumption from all sector applications excl. the power plant's own consumption or import/export; includes domestic hydrogen production | Note: Excl. Material consumption H<sub>2</sub>/PtL/PtG for Naphtha and Bitumen | Source: BCG analysis

# Industry, transport & energy sector drive H<sub>2</sub>/PtL demand

H<sub>2</sub> and PtL demand by sector and application 2030-2045  
TWh

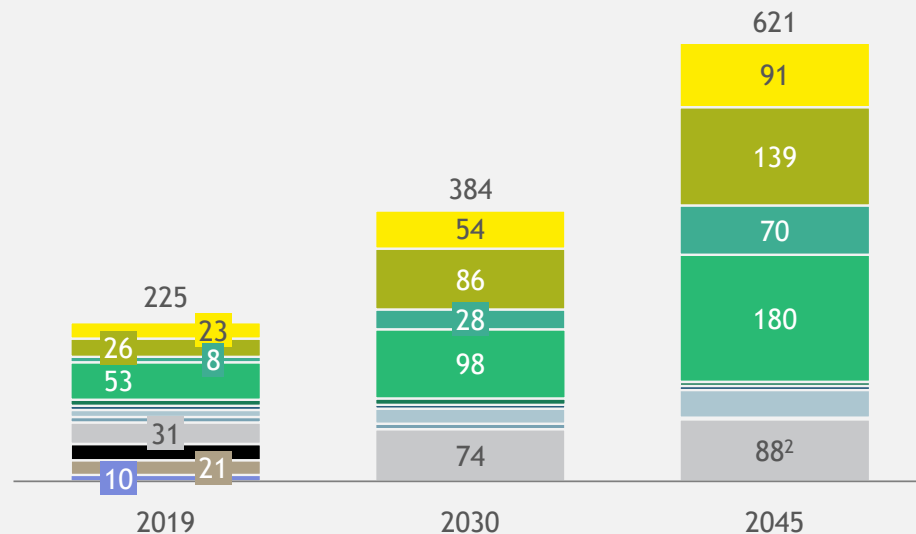


Note: H<sub>2</sub> = hydrogen from electrolysis of renewable energies (during the transition—before 2040—purchase of blue hydrogen is also conceivable); PtL = renewable synthetic fuels made of green hydrogen (especially synthetic crude, methanol); international transport = sea and air transport departing from Germany; import of fossil energy carriers amounted to €91B in 2019 | Source: BCG analysis

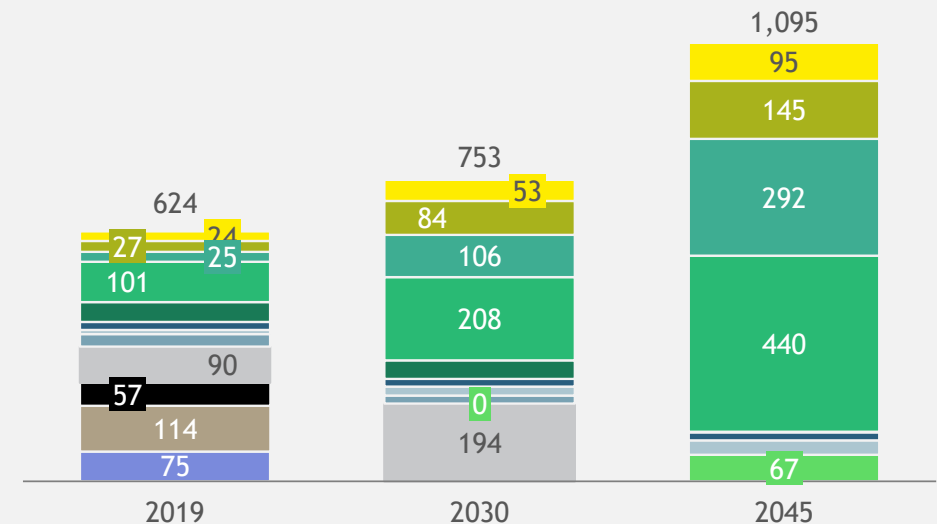
Procurement prices

# Strong increase in renewable power generation already before 2030

Net generation capacity in the target path  
GW



Net electricity generation in the target path  
TWh



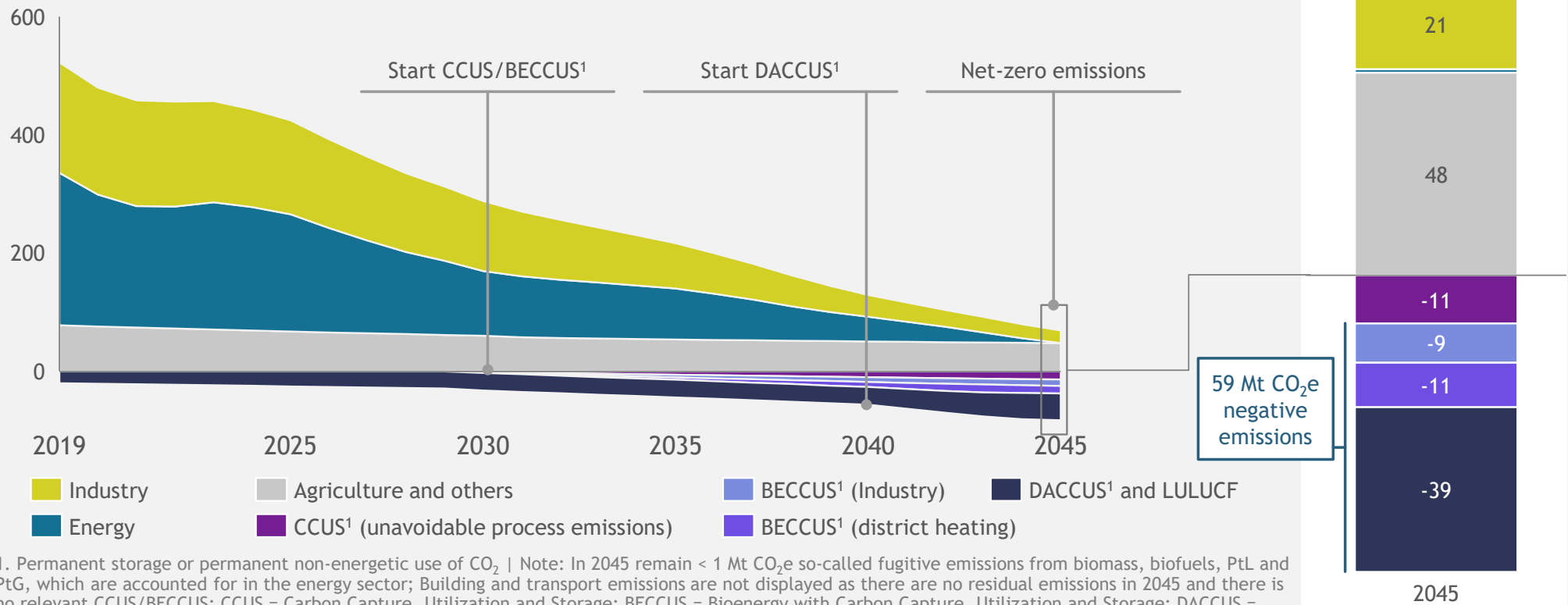
Solar PV, rooftop   Wind offshore   Biomass/decentralized biogas<sup>1</sup>   Storage   Green gas<sup>2</sup>   Coal   Nuclear  
 Solar PV, open field   Wind onshore   Hydropower   Other   Natural gas   Lignite

1. Solid biomass and decentralized conversion of biomethane into electricity (currently) in Renewable Energy Act (EEG)-funded plants 2. Green hydrogen, PtX, biomethane in gas-fired power plants | Note: Net electricity generation describes all domestic electricity generation except for the power plant's own consumption | Source: BCG analysis

# CCUS necessary for net-zero emissions in 2045

## Remaining emissions und captured CO<sub>2</sub> 2019–2045

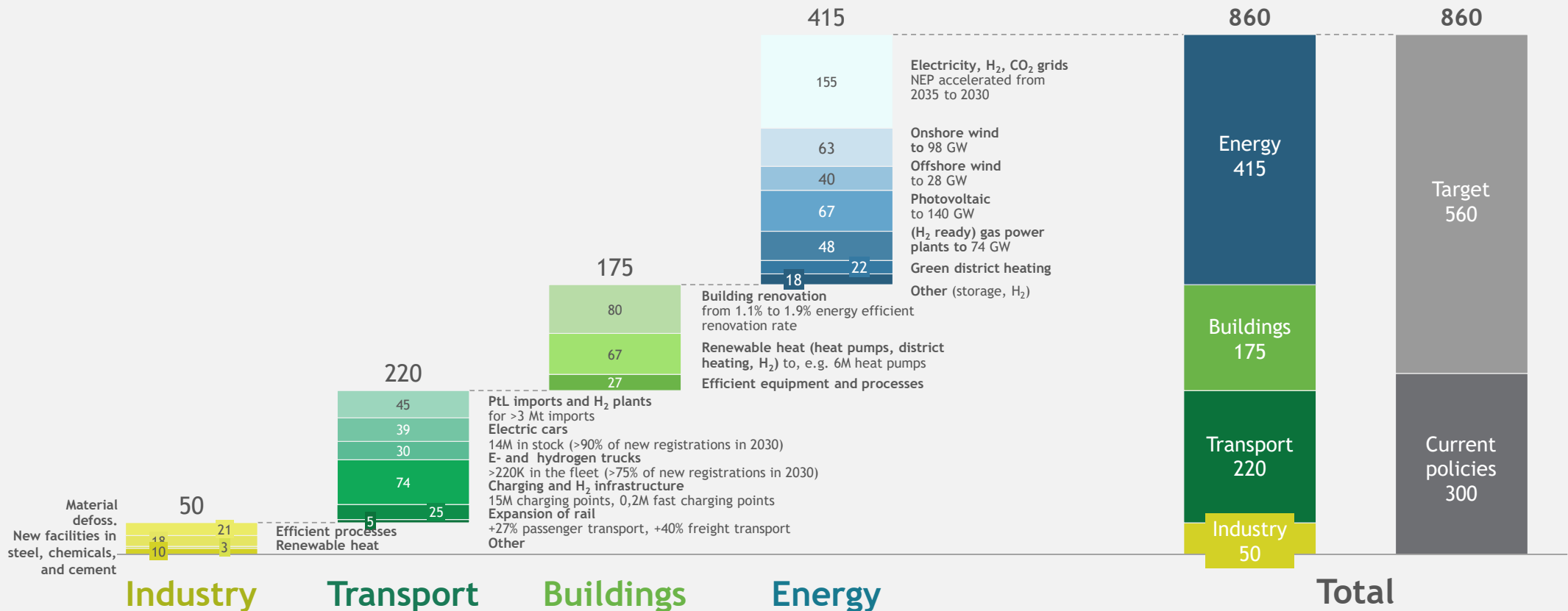
Mt CO<sub>2</sub>e



1. Permanent storage or permanent non-energetic use of CO<sub>2</sub> | Note: In 2045 remain < 1 Mt CO<sub>2</sub>e so-called fugitive emissions from biomass, biofuels, PtL and PtG, which are accounted for in the energy sector; Building and transport emissions are not displayed as there are no residual emissions in 2045 and there is no relevant CCUS/BECCUS; CCUS = Carbon Capture, Utilization and Storage; BECCUS = Bioenergy with Carbon Capture, Utilization and Storage; DACCUS = Direct Air Carbon Capture, Utilization and Storage; LULUCF = Land Use, Land-Use Change and Forestry | Source: BCG analysis

# €860B investments in climate protection by 2030

Cumulative additional investments 2021-2030 in B€

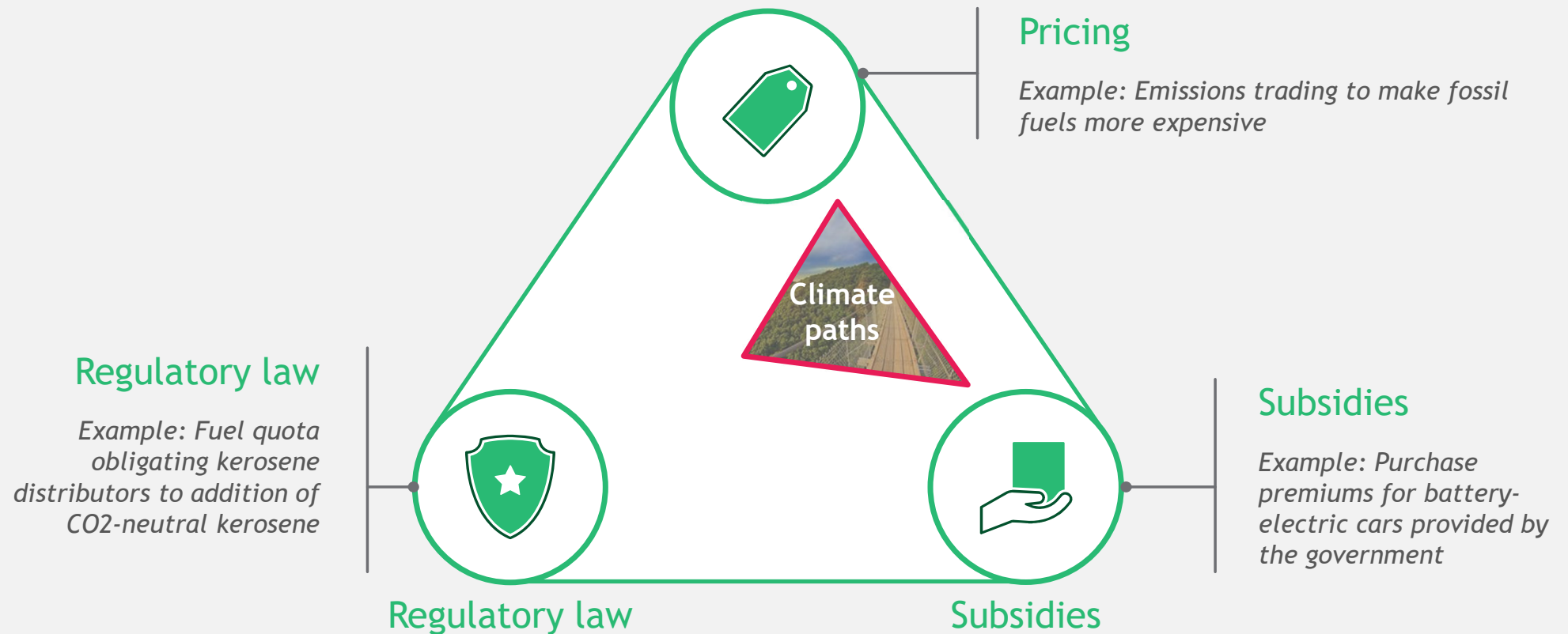


Note: In the case of renewable heat and alternative powertrains in transport, the additional investments describe the acquisition costs compared to conventional technologies  
 Source: Federal Office of Statistics Germany, KfW, IMF, BCG analysis

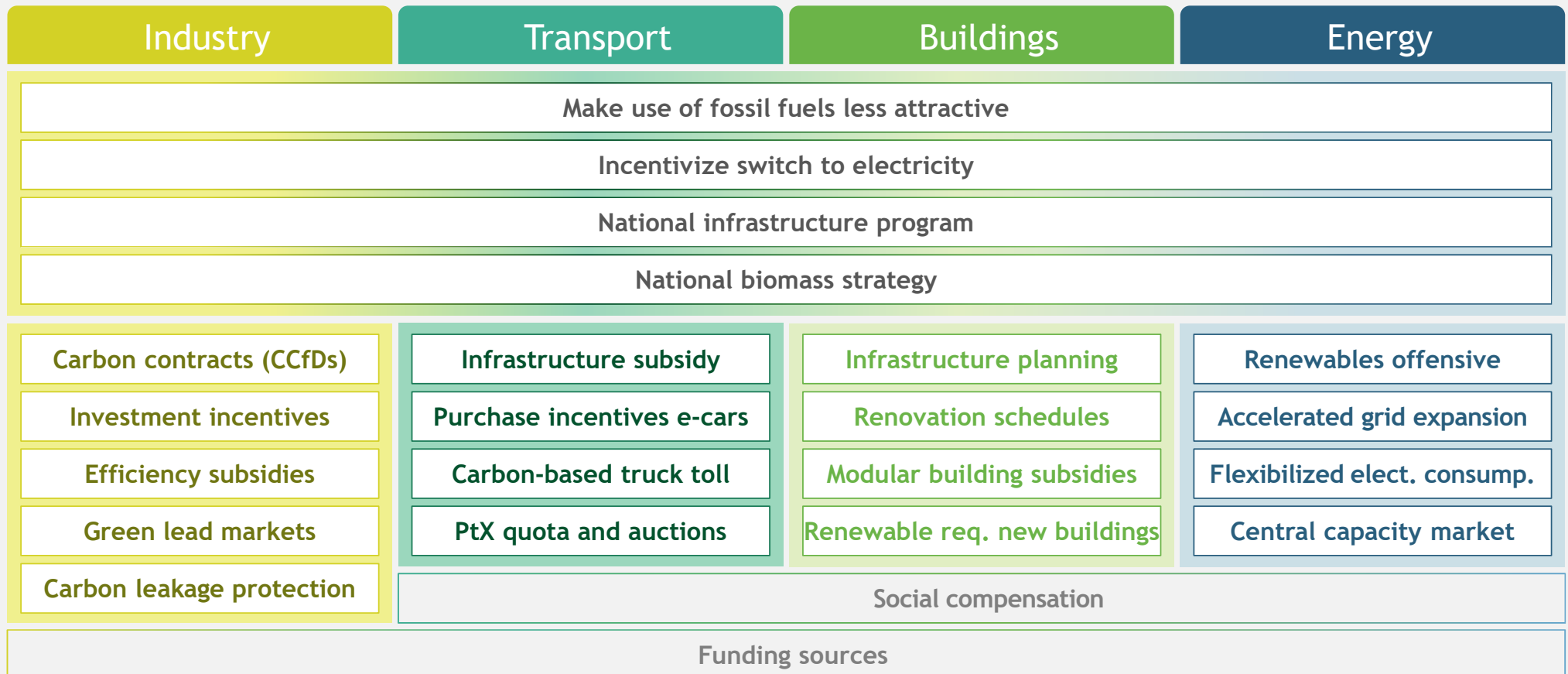


# Instruments have to combine difference approaches

## Three types of regulatory instruments



# A Program for Climate & Germany's Future Development

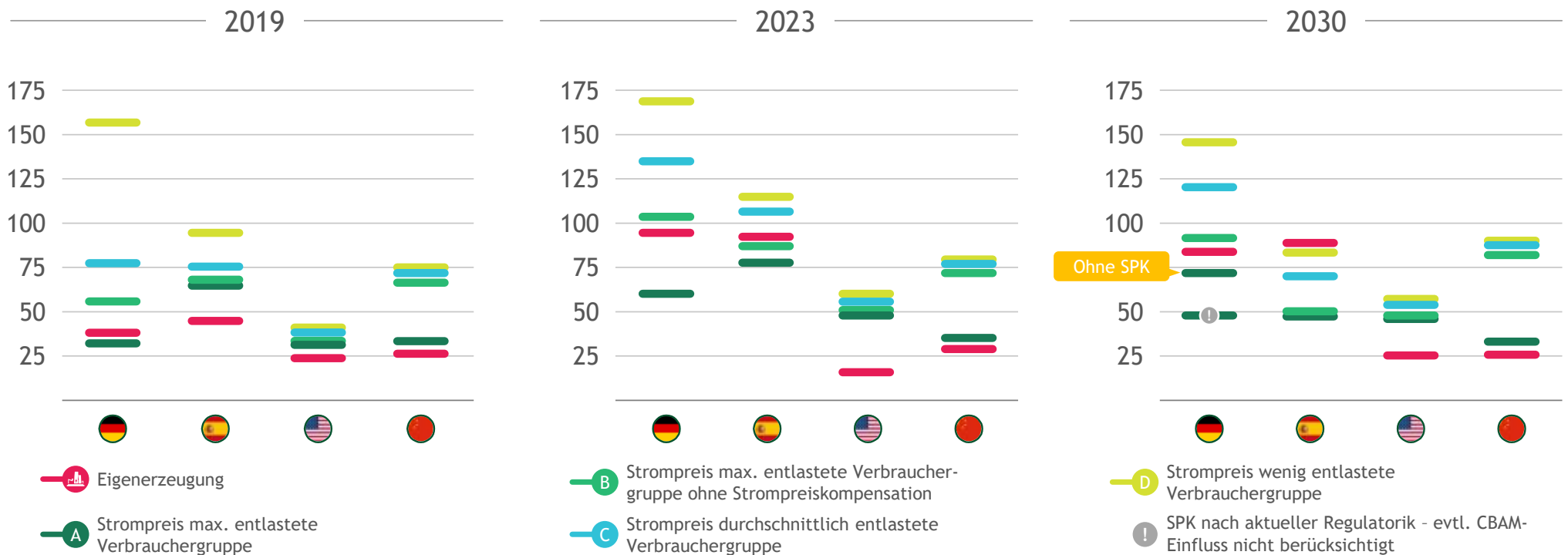


# Electricity costs remain not competitive in 2030 in Germany for most consumers

## Electricity cost per group of consumers for 2019, 2023 und 2030

In €/MWh real 2023

Szenario unter Annahme aktueller Regulierung,  
Preisbildungsmechanismen & planmäßigem  
Netzaus- und Kraftwerkszubau

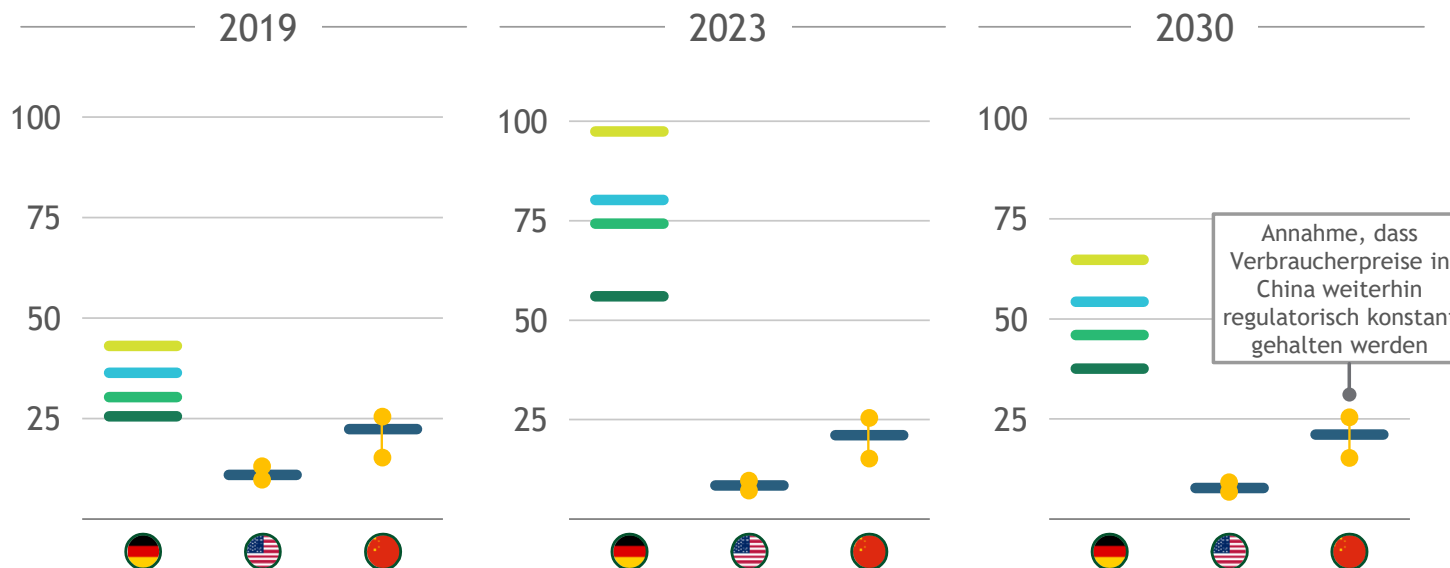


Hinweis zu China: Innere Mongolei als Vergleichsregion für maximal entlastete Verbraucher sowie 70% Eigenerzeugung angenommen, Guangdong für weitere Verbrauchergruppen ohne Eigenerzeugung; USA: Texas als Vergleichsregion für alle Verbrauchergruppen; Unter Annahme aktueller Preissetzungsmechanismen | Quelle: Aurora Energy Research; Eikon; BDI Projektteam

# Gas prices stay 3-5 times higher in Germany compared to other countries Faktor 3-5

## Gas prices per group of consumers for 2019, 2023 und 2030

In €/MWh real 2023



## Beobachtungen

In 2019 hatten industrielle Verbraucher in Deutschland ähnliche Preise wie in China, und höhere Gaspreise als in den USA

Während der Energiekrise wurde in Deutschland günstiges russisches Gas durch teures LNG vom Spotmarkt ersetzt

USA profitiert von günstiger Eigenproduktion und China subventioniert Verbraucherpreise deutlich, um gestiegene LNG-Preise auszugleichen

Auch in 2030 werden Verbraucherpreise in Deutschland 3-5x über den Preisen in USA und China liegen

- Durchschnittlicher Verbraucherpreis Gas USA & China
- Verbraucherpreis Gas DE (Verbrauch > 1.000 GJ | e.g., Maschinenbau KMU<sup>1</sup>)
- Verbraucherpreis Gas DE (Verbrauch > 10.000 GJ | e.g., Gießerei)
- Verbraucherpreis Gas DE (Verbrauch > 100.000 GJ | e.g., Automobil Zulieferer)
- Verbraucherpreis Gas DE (Verbrauch > 4.000.000 GJ | e.g., Grundstoff Chemie)
- Gaspreisvarianz

1. KMU = Kleine und mittelständische Unternehmen | Hinweis: Preise in USA beziehen sich auf Texas, Bandbreite in China basierend auf Preisen in Guangdong und Innerer Mongolei |  
Quelle: Eurostat, Aurora, EIA, Henry Hub, World Energy Outlook, Wind, Projektteam

# EU 2024plus - what remains to be done?

## *Complementing the Green Deal by an EU Industrial Deal – some elements*

- Providing European infrastructure for industrial decarbonization (H<sub>2</sub>, CO<sub>2</sub>, electricity)
- Making licensing procedures radically more simple and faster (e.g. reversal of the burden of proof)
- Incentivising private investments for new production processes (CfDs...)
- Ensuring internationally competitive power prices for industry (grid cost)
- Preventing carbon leakage - revisiting CBAM
- Changing EU energy taxation by giving carbon content a bigger weight
- Formulating a strategy for a carbon pricing architecture post 2030
- Creating markets for green products
- Designing an Art. 6 compatible carbon trading instrument (offsets)

