

# The rapidly changing global energy landscape

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# Tipping the energy world off its axis

- Four large-scale upheavals in global energy :
  - The United States is turning into the undisputed global leader for oil & gas
  - Solar PV is on track to be the cheapest source of new electricity in many countries
  - China's new drive to "make the skies blue again" is recasting its role in energy
  - The future is *electrifying*, spurred by cooling, electric vehicles & digitalisation
- These changes brighten the prospects for affordable, sustainable energy & require a reappraisal of approaches to energy security
- There are many possible pathways ahead & many potential pitfalls if governments or industry misread the signs of change



# India takes the lead, as China energy growth slows





India, China and other developing Asia will be critical in determining the future trajectory of global energy demand & C02 emissions

# ... A world in motion..as China moves global energy markets, again





Low-carbon sources & natural gas meet 85% of the increase in global demand: China's switch to a new economic model & a cleaner energy mix drives global trends

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# EVs are on the way, but oil demand still keeps rising



**Electric cars are helping to transform energy use for passenger cars, slowing the pace of growth in global oil demand: however, trucks, aviation, shipping & petrochemicals keep oil on a rising trend** 

# US becomes undisputed leader of oil & gas production



Oil and gas production in the United States

The US is already switching to become a net exporter of gas & becomes a net exporter of oil in the 2020s, helped also by the demand-side impact of fuel efficiency & fuel switching



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# The future is electrifying





India adds the equivalent of today's European Union to its electricity generation by 2040, while China adds the equivalent of today's United States

# Wind and solar PV costs being driven down by competition



The cost of wind and solar PV have fallen sharply, with further reductions expected; Cost-optimal integration requires interconnections, flexible generation, storage & demand response

### A new leader emerging on nuclear





Without additional lifetime extensions, the largest nuclear fleets face significant declines, while China is soon set to overtake the United States as the global leader

# Japan's Power Mix: Policy determines uptake of low-carbon sources







Decarbonisation of Japan's power sector can be achieved through the uptake of variable renewables and the restart of nuclear plants while ensuring their safety

# A new strategy for energy & sustainable development



The Sustainable Development Scenario reduces CO<sub>2</sub> emissions in line with the objectives of the Paris Agreement, while also tackling air pollution and achieving universal energy access

## The potential of clean energy technology remains under-utilised



Solar PV and onshore wind	
Energy storage	
Electric vehicles	
Nuclear	
Transport – Fuel economy of light-duty vehicles	
Energy efficiency in industry	
Lighting, appliances and building equipment	
Hydrogen and Fuel Cells	
More efficient coal-fired power	
Carbon capture and storage	
Building energy efficiency	
Transport biofuels	

•Not on track •Accelerated improvement needed •On track

Despite good progress in some areas, many technologies still need a strong push to achieve their full potential and deliver a sustainable energy future

### Conclusions

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- The oil & gas boom in the United States is shaking up the established order, with major implications for markets, trade flows, investment & energy security
- The versatility of natural gas means that it is well placed to grow, but it cannot afford price spikes or uncertainty over methane leaks
- China continues to shape global trends, but in new ways as its "energy revolution" drives cost reductions for a wide range of clean energy technologies
- Concerted action is needed to address climate change, including deployment of all low carbon options
- Electrification & digitalisation are the future for many parts of the global energy system, creating new opportunities but also risks that policy makers have to address



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