

Decarbonization of ASEAN energy systems: Optimum technology selection model analysis up to 2060

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Methodology IEEJ-NE_ASEAN model

IEEJ-NE (NE: New Earth) is a linear programming model that simulates the cost-optimal deployment of energy technologies under technical constraints.

It encompasses the total energy system. Power supply and demand are temporally disaggregated to incorporate the costs for integrating variable renewable energy.

Modeled energy system





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Methodology Modeling of electricity supply and demand

Temporally disaggregated (2910 time slices per year) to capture the variability of renewable energy and system integration cost.

Co-firing at both existing and newly installed power plants are explicitly modeled.

Modeled technologies		GWh per hour 70 T Simulated electricity balance for a month in a country Mater electrolysis MAS battery
Coal-fired	Geothermal	60 - 50 -
Coal-Ammonia	Solar PV	40 40 40 40 40 40 40 40 40 40 40 40 40 4
co-firing (20%)	Onshore wind	30 - Solar PV Fuel cell H2-fired
IGCC	Offshore wind	10 - Gas CC Gas steam
Gas-fired	Biomass-fired	0 - Coal-fired Biomass Geothermal
Gas combined	Nuclear	-20 Large hydro Nuclear Final consumption
Gas-Hydrogen co-firing (H ₂ 20%, 40%, 60%, 80%)	Hydrogen-fired	GWh 100 Simulated stored energy for a month in a country
	Ammonia-fired	80 - 60 - 0 A A A A A A A A A A A A A A A A A
	Pumped hydro	
	Li-ion battery	
Hydro	H ₂ tank	



Methodology Model overview



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Selected low-carbon technologies in the model

Renewables	Solar PV, Onshore wind, Offshore wind, Hydro, Geothermal, biomass		
Nuclear	Light water reactor		
CCUS	CO ₂ capture: Chemical absorption, Physical absorption, Direct air capture		
	CO ₂ utilization: Methane synthesis, FT liquid fuel synthesis		
	CO ₂ storage: Geological storage		
Hydrogen	Supply: Electrolysis, Coal gasification, Methane reforming, H ₂ separation from Ammonia, H ₂ trade among ASEAN countries, H ₂ imports from non-ASEAN countries		
	Consumption : H ₂ turbine, Natural gas-H ₂ co-firing, FCEV, H ₂ based DRI+EAF, Fuel cell ship, H ₂ aviation, H ₂ heat for industries, Fuel synthesis (methane, FT liquid fuel, ammonia)		
Ammonia	Supply: Ammonia synthesis, NH ₃ trade among ASEAN countries, NH ₃ imports from non-ASEAN countries		
	Consumption : Ammonia turbine, Coal-ammonia co-firing, H ₂ separation		
Negative emissions	Direct air capture with CCS (DACCS), Biomass-fired power generation with CCS (BECCS)		



Assumption

Case settings

MtCO₂



Baseline does not assume any emission constraints by 2060.

CN2050/2060 assumes energy-related CO₂ emission constraints by country and achieves net zero CO₂ emissions with natural carbon sink by 2060 in ASEAN.

- CN2050/2060_Innovation cases are for evaluating the impact of technological innovation in the CN2050/2060. (sensitivity analysis 1)
- CN2050/2060_Stringent2030 puts more stringent emission constraints by 2030 in the CN2050/2060. The emission in 2030 is consistent with IEA SDS. (sensitivity analysis 2)

 $CN2050/2060_w/oCarbonSink$ assumes net zero energy-related CO₂ emissions by 2050 in BRN and SGP and by 2060 in the rest of the countries. This is the case we initially assumed.

Energy-related CO₂ emission constraints in ASEAN

Note: *CN2050/2060_w/oCarbonSink* is the case we initially assumed. We had discussions with ASEAN countries based on the initial results, and developed *CN2050/2060* reflecting each country's comments.



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Country emission reduction targets in the CN2050/2060

The CN2050/2060 reflects nationally declared CN target years and considers carbon sinks in Indonesia, Malaysia, Myanmar, Thailand, and Vietnam.

Energy-related CO_2 emission reduction targets by country in the CN2050/2060

Country	CN target year	Energy-related CO2 emissions reduction target from 2017	Note
Brunei	2050	100%	Target year: No CN target. Set to 2050 considered income level Sink: Not considered
Cambodia	2050	100%	Target year: 2050 CN declaration (CAA member country) Sink: Not considered
Indonesia	2060	50%	Target year: 2060 CN declaration Sink: The 2050 value of the LTS LCCP scenario. Although original target is calculated to be 39%, set to 50% as the minimum requirement
Laos	2050	100%	Target year: 2050 CN declaration (CAA member country) Sink: Not considered
Malaysia	2050	50%	Target year: Reffered to 2050 CN by prime minister Sink: The 2016 value of the inventory. Although original target is calculated to be -14%, set to 50% as the minimum requirement
Myanmar	2060	60%	Target year: 2060 CN (requested by Myanmar) Sink: The 2030 target of the unconditional NDC
Philippines	2060	100%	Target year: No CN target. Set to 2060 Sink: Not considered
Singapore	2050	100%	Target year: No CN target. Set to 2050 considered income level Sink: Not considered
Thailand	2050	50%	Target year: 2050 CN (requested by Thailand) Sink: Use values provided by Thailand
Vietnam	2050	70%	Target year: 2050 CN declaration Sink: The 2030 target of the unconditional NDC

Assumption

Assumption Key assumptions



ASEAN Power Grid

• Int'l grid extension is constrained with currently planned capacities, totaling 55GW.

Hydrogen imports from non-ASEAN countries

- Volume: max. 203Mtoe/year in 2040, 540Mtoe in 2050, 638Mtoe in 2060. The volume after 2050 is equivalent to 30% of baseline total primary energy.
- Price: 30 cent per Nm³-H₂ in 2030, 20 cent in 2050 and 17.5 cent in 2060 based on Japanese Government's long-term hydrogen supply chain target.

Annual CO₂ storage capacity

- Max. 687MtCO₂/year in 2040, 1138MtCO₂ in 2050 and 1610MtCO₂ in 2060
- The capacity is equivalent to 25% of baseline CO₂ emissions in 2050, 30% in 2060.

Biofuel supply potential for road transport grows in proportion to road transport demand.



Assumption Power generation cost

Assumptions for power generation cost are obtained from publicly available reports or ASEAN countries.

Assumed levelized Cost of Electricity (LCOE) Indonesia, 2050





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Assumption Cost reduction of variable renewables and battery

Cost of solar PV, wind turbines and battery are assumed to largely decrease by 2060

- Note that pumped hydro, Li-ion battery and compressed hydrogen tank are modeled.
- Capacity of pumped hydro is exogenous in this study, while Li-ion battery and hydrogen tank are determined endogenously





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Assumption Solar PV potential



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Total 3513 GW in ASEAN, estimated by the IEEJ based on GIS data

Solar PV potential in Indonesia is divided into "Java & Sumatra" and "other" to reflect regional imbalance of electricity demand and renewable energy

• Solar PV in the "other" region is assumed for hydrogen production

Potential in Malaysia is also divided into "peninsula" and "other" in this model



Solar PV potential assumption

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Assumption Wind power potential

Assumed onshore wind potential is 313GW and offshore wind is 1241GW in ASEAN, estimated by the IEEJ based on GIS data

Onshore wind and offshore wind in Indonesia is divided into "Java & Sumatra" and "other region" to reflect regional imbalance of demand and resources

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• Wind power in the "other region" is assumed for hydrogen production



Wind power potential

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Note: Potential data will be revised based on comments from each country

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Results for ASEAN Sectoral CO₂ emissions

End-use emissions reduction, combined with negative emission technologies¹, is estimated to be a cost-efficient strategy for ASEAN carbon neutrality.

Power sector is almost decarbonized by 2040, while the CO_2 from the transport, especially bus and truck, remain in the *CN* cases because of high costs of alternative vehicles.

MtCO₂ 6000 LULUCF 5000 Other including DACCS 4000 Other end-use 3000 Transport Industry 2000 Electricity 1000 Energy-related CO2 emissions 0 -1000 -2000 End-use CO₂ emissions -3000 are offset by negative 2017 2030 2040 2050 2060 2030 2040 2050 2060 2040 2050 2060 2017 2017 2030 emission technologies and natural carbon sink. CN2050/2060 CN2050/2060 Baseline w/oCarbonSink

Sectoral energy-related CO₂ emissions in ASEAN

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1 BECCS and DACCS





Results for ASEAN Primary energy supply

A wide range of technologies, including renewables, nuclear, CCS and import of hydrogen and ammonia, are necessary for deep decarbonization.

Zero emission energies together contribute to 56% of primary energy in 2060 in the *CN2050/2060*, and 65% in the *CN2050/2060_w/oCarbonSink*.



Primary energy supply in ASEAN



Results for ASEAN Final energy consumption

Energy saving and electrification are core strategies for decarbonizing end-use sectors. Electricity becomes the largest end-use energy source by 2050.

Final energy consumption in ASEAN





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Renewables become the main power source in the CN cases.

Hydrogen and ammonia, including co-firing, are also projected to be a part of the power generation mix for net zero emissions by 2060.

Power generation in ASEAN





Transition from fossil fuels to NH₃ & H₂ power generation

- In the short- to medium-term, such as $2030 \sim 40$, efficient gas-fired plants is estimated to contribute to curbing CO₂ emissions from power generation.
- In the longer-term, gas-fired with CCUS, co-firing with ammonia or hydrogen, and 100% ammonia and hydrogen power would be candidates.



Power generation from coal, gas, ammonia and hydrogen in ASEAN

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Passenger light-duty vehicles are projected to be largely electrified by 2050.

Oil consumption remains in bus and truck transport in the *CN* cases mainly due to high price for alternative vehicle technologies.



Travel distance by vehicle technology in ASEAN

Note: biofuel includes bioethanol and biodiesel mixed with petroleum fuel.

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Results for ASEAN Costs for reducing CO₂

Marginal abatement cost, which represent the intensity of decarbonization policies, would be 348 USD per tCO₂ in the CN2050/2060, and 651 USD in the CN2050/2060_w/oCarbonSink, implying economic challenges for net zero emissions.

Additional annual cost from the Baseline to the CN2050/2060 and the CN2050/2060 w/oCarbonSink is estimated to be about 3.6% and 5.2% of ASEAN GDP in 2060.



Note: The costs presented here do not include costs to enhance emissions reductions in the LULUCF sector.



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Five technology innovation cases (*PowerInov*, *CCSInov*, *H2Inov*, *DemInov* and *Combo*) to investigate their impacts on energy mix and mitigation costs.

Case	CN year	Key technology assumptions
CN2050/2060	2060	 Reference technology cost International power grid extension is constrained by planned ASEAN Power Grid capacity CO₂ storage up to 1.6GtCO₂/year in 2060
PowerInov	2060	 Cost reduction of Li-ion battery (-25% in 2040 and -50% after 2050, from the reference level) and international grid extension No upper limit for international power grid extension Large-scale electricity exports from Myanmar to Thailand
CCSInov	2060	 Cost reduction of DAC (-25% in 2040 and -50% after 2050) CO₂ storage up to 2.7GtCO₂/year in 2060
H2Inov	2060	 Cost reduction of coal gasification, methane reforming and electrolyzer (-25% in 2040 and -50% after 2050) Cost reduction of hydrogen consumption: H₂ based DRI-EAF and FC ship (-25% in 2040 and -50% after 2050), FCEV (comparable to hybrid electric vehicle price in 2060)
DemInov	2060	Cost reduction of advanced end-use technologies (-50% in and after 2040)
Combo	2060	Combination of all the above

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Sensitivity analysis 1 Innovation and mitigation costs

Technology innovation, as well as ASEAN energy cooperation such as APG, significantly reduce marginal abatement costs and additional annual costs.

Future research & development and cooperation is crucial for realizing net zero emissions.

Marginal CO₂ abatement cost (MAC)

Range of country marginal cost in 2060



Additional annual cost

ASEAN total

Share of ASEAN GDP



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Sensitivity analysis 2 Impacts of strengthening short-term emission constraints

As for the power generation mix, solar PV increases while gas-fired decreases in 2030 in the *CN2050/2060_Stringent2030* by strengthening short-term emission constraints.

MAC in 2030 increases significantly to 300 USD/tCO_2 , implying the cost hurdle to achieve short-term emission reductions.



Note: The value of the objective function is larger in the *CN2050/2060_Stringent2030* than in the *CN2050/2060.*

Marginal CO₂ abatement cost (MAC)

Power generation in ASEAN

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Conclusions (1)

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Energy saving and electrification in end-use sectors, combined with low-carbon power supply, would be core strategies for decarbonizing ASEAN energy systems.

- Not only VRE, but also other carbon-free technologies including hydro, geothermal, biomass, and nuclear can contribute to carbon neutrality.
- CO₂-free hydrogen supply, CCS, and negative emission technologies are also important.

During transition periods, various kinds of "low-carbon" technologies can reduce CO_2 emissions effectively.

- In the power sector, fuel switching from coal to natural gas, deployment of more efficient turbines, co-firing with hydrogen or ammonia, as well as fossil-fuel fired power generation with CCS can contribute to following paths towards deep decarbonization.
- Affordable technologies are likely to be introduced in the mid-term. Deployment of more expensive technologies would be required in the last stage of complete decarbonization.



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Conclusions (2)

Simulation results would imply significant economic challenges associated with decarbonization.

• Mitigation costs and energy prices may increase in the CN cases.

Cost reduction and international cooperation would be the key to achieve carbon neutrality in an affordable manner.

- Technology innovation and scale merits are essential for cost reduction.
- Regional cooperation would contribute to more efficient deployment of low carbon technologies.
- Future research & development, in cooperation with advanced economies, is crucial for achieving carbon neutrality in the long term.

