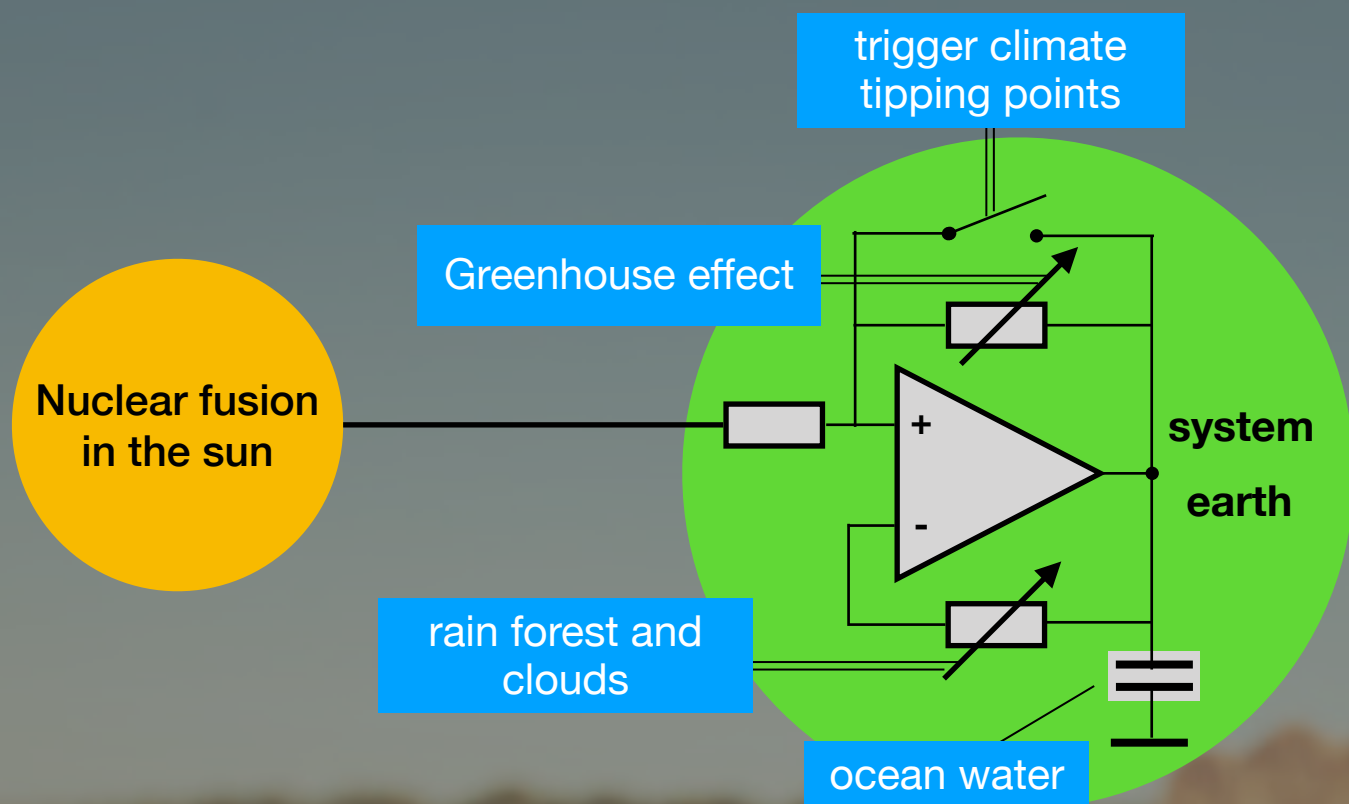


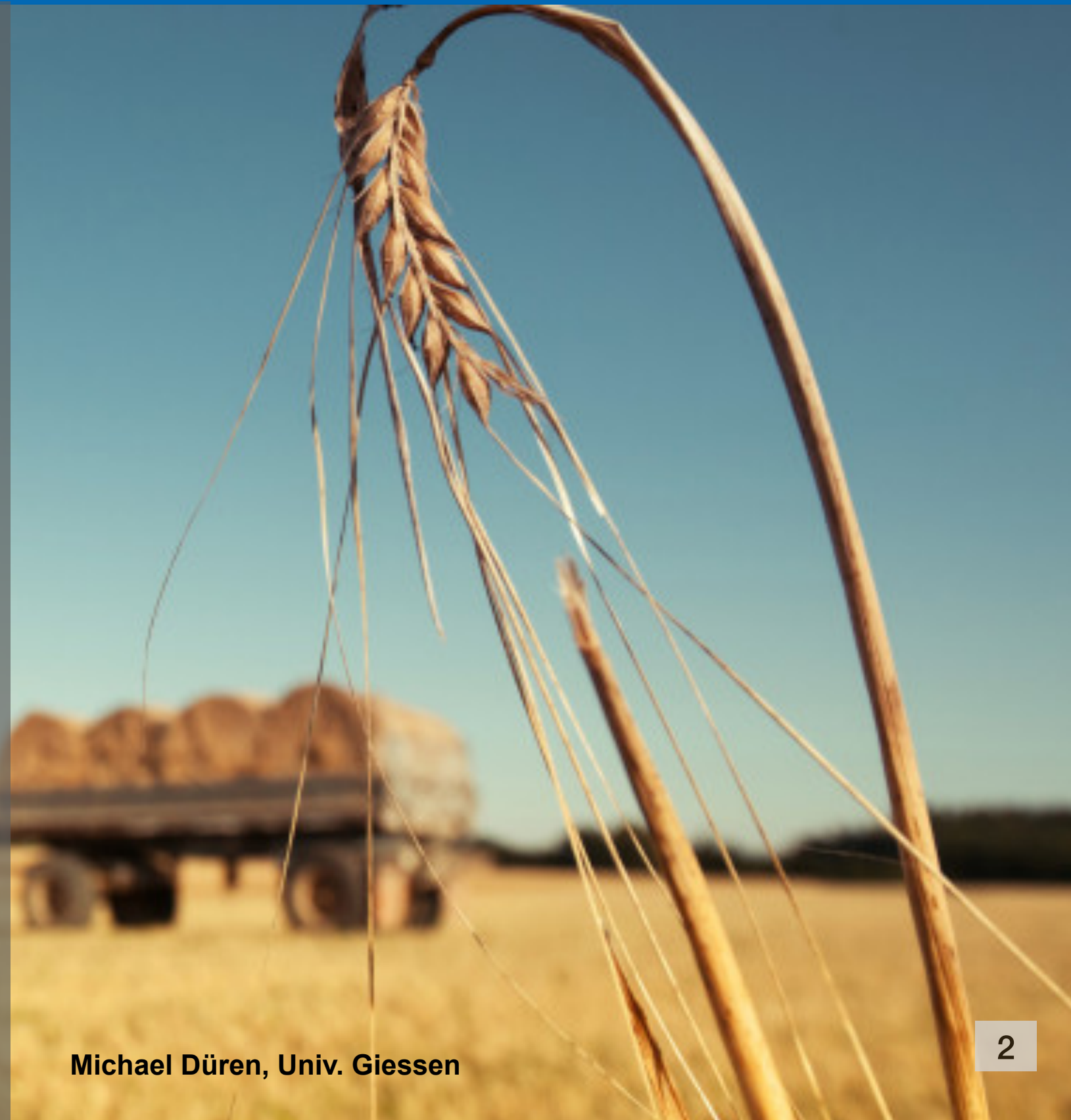
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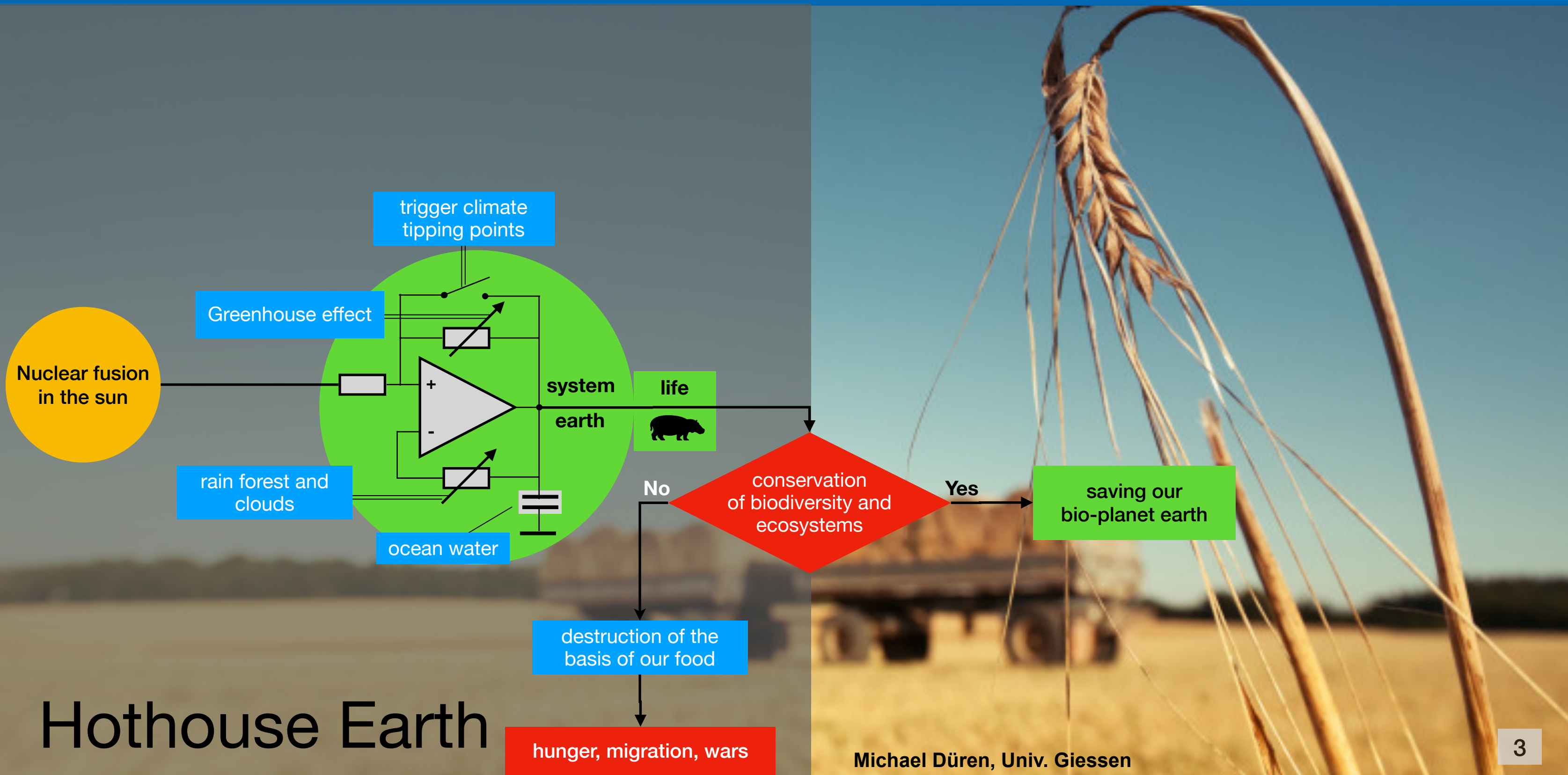
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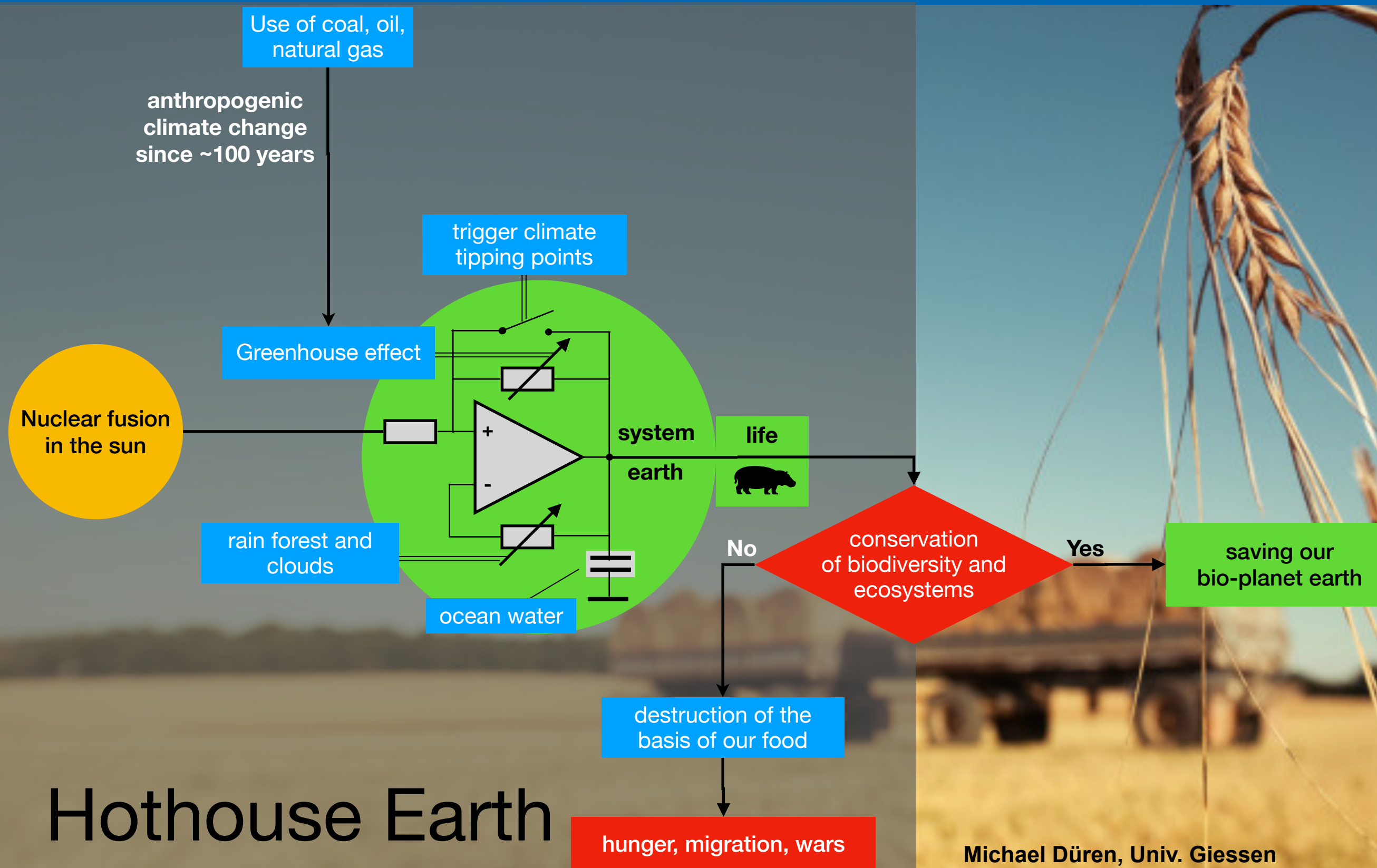
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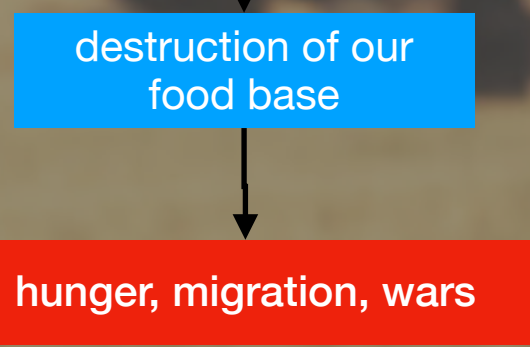
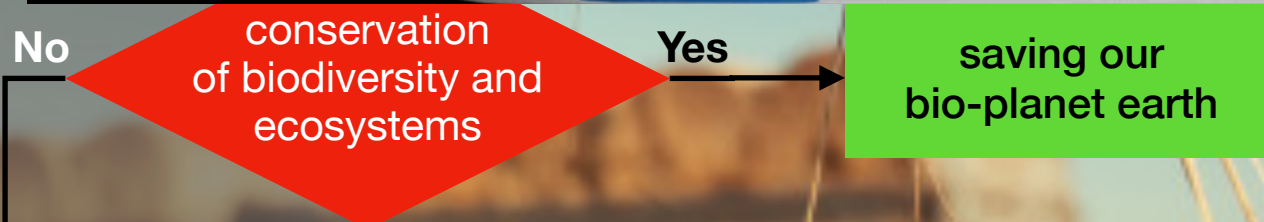
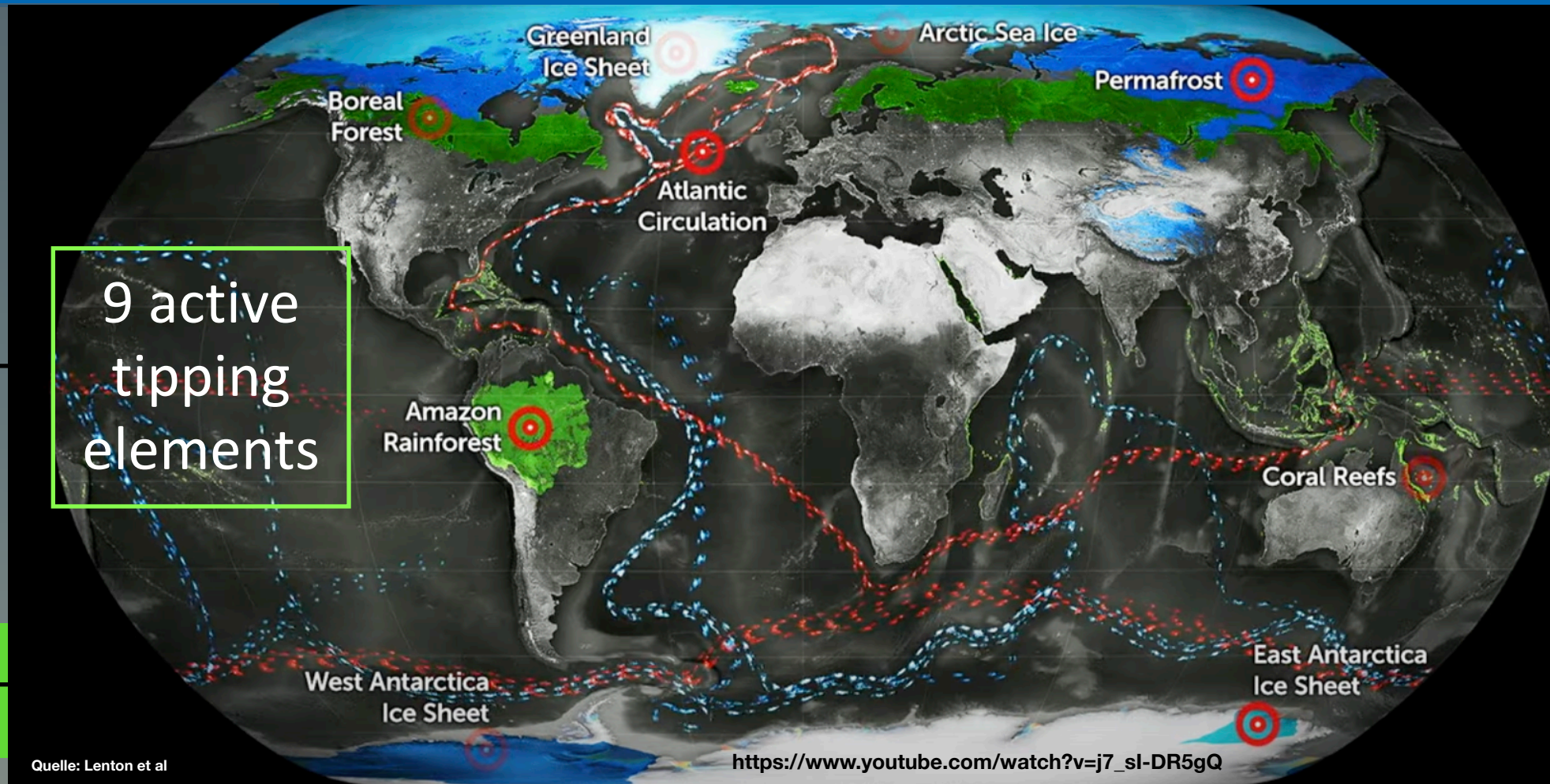
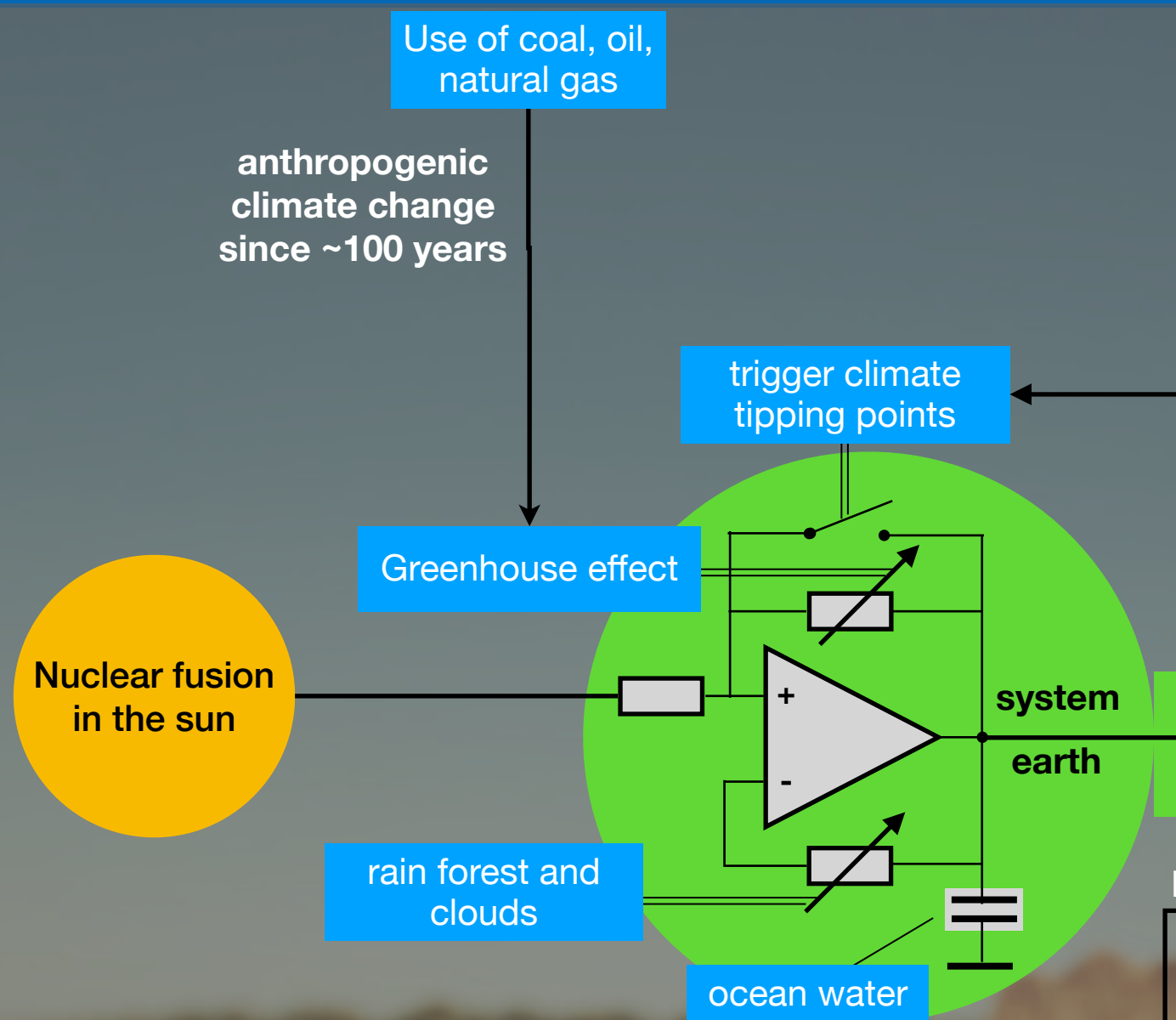
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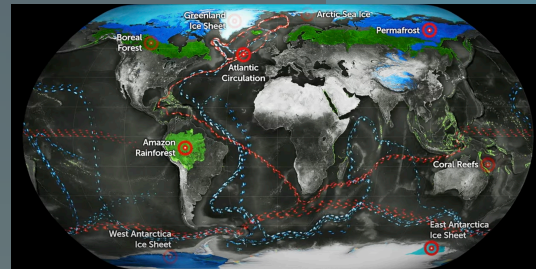
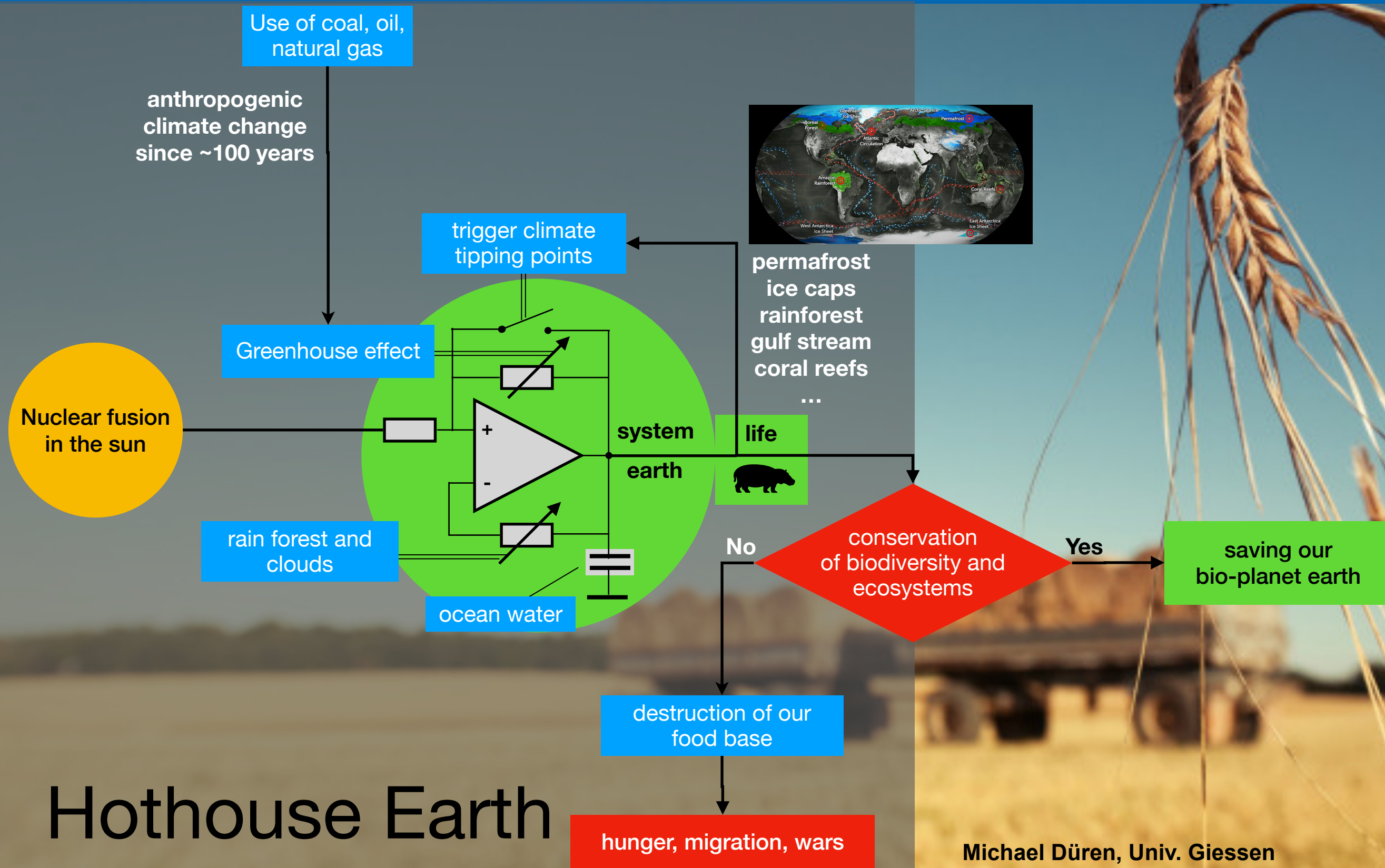


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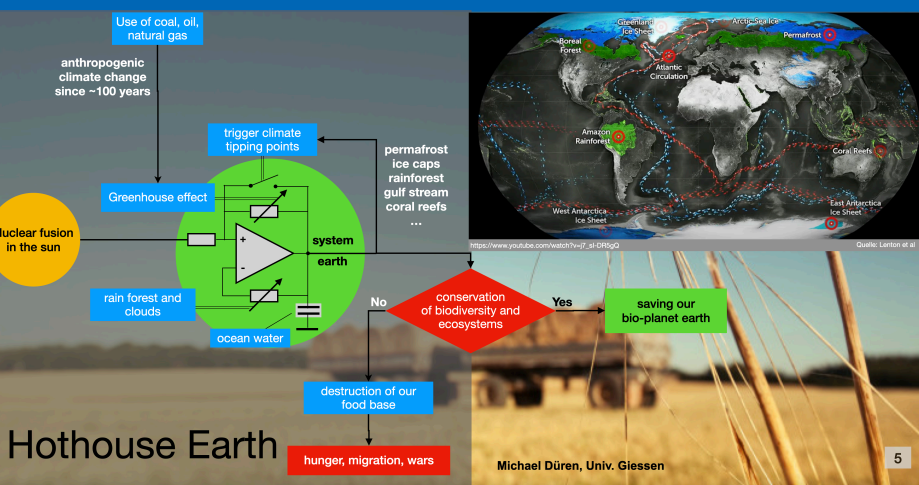
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## Non-fossil energy: A Global Challenge for Climate Protection

- Today, around 80 percent of mankind's primary energy needs are met by fossil fuels<sup>1</sup>.
- Climate protection requires a halt to net CO<sub>2</sub> emissions by 2050<sup>2</sup>.
- Climate change doesn't wait: The pace of change to a non-fossil energy world must be accelerated with all possible speed.

average warming of less than 2°C or are already exceeded today.

Nevertheless, the share of fossil fuels in meeting the world's total energy demand has remained almost constant to date at around 80%<sup>1</sup>. Modern solar and wind power plants – just like nuclear energy – each contribute only about 4%<sup>1</sup>.

The use of fossil fuels must be ended worldwide by 2050 at the latest<sup>2</sup> to limit global warming to 1.5°C with a certain degree of confidence. To achieve this, around 140 million gigawatt hours (GWh) per year must be replaced by non-fossil energy forms; this corresponds theoretically to the energy output of 16,000 conventional power plants.

The challenge is huge, and it is global. Germany contributes about 2% and Europe about 14% to the total CO<sub>2</sub> emission. Nevertheless, the efforts to reduce emissions in Europe are important and pioneering, especially regarding the responsibility and role model function of the industrialized countries. These have a duty to develop the path to transform society while maintaining the competitiveness of business and industry in the global marketplace and, in addition, to help financially weak countries so that they too can achieve net zero emissions by mid-century.

As early as 1987, the German Physical Society, together with the German Meteorological Society DMG, published the call "Warning of impending global climate change due to human activity"<sup>3</sup>.

Rapid changes in the climate with an average increase in the earth's temperature of more than 1.5°C will have risks for life, world food and biodiversity that are difficult to assess<sup>4,5</sup>. To avoid this, science therefore calls for a rapid reduction of net CO<sub>2</sub> emissions down to zero. The situation is aggravated by so-called climate tipping points<sup>6</sup>, at which warming due to additional effects, such as the melting of the Arctic ice, continues and is difficult to predict whether it is accelerated.

Recent calculations show that some of them could already be exceeded at an



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However, solar and wind energy are volatile. Storage and transport of the energy generated from these sources require a massive expansion of electrochemical and chemical storage systems (batteries, hydrogen, methane, ammonia, etc.) as well as heat and pump storage systems. For the latter, there are innovative concepts that use old mines and opencast mines.<sup>7</sup>

Saving energy is particularly important and must be pursued consistently. This includes efficient thermal insulation of buildings, heating with heat pumps<sup>8</sup>, lighting with LEDs and much more, right up to a fundamental redesign of mobility and its forms of propulsion.

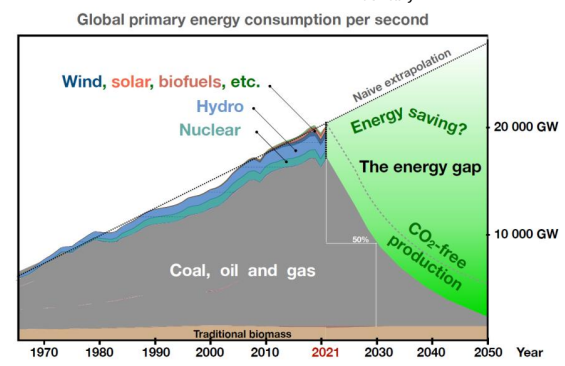
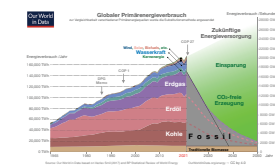
Climate change will not wait: The figures make it clear that the pace of the energy turnaround must be accelerated with all our might. This requires, in particular, a political framework such as emissions trading and realistic CO<sub>2</sub> pricing, as well as the removal of obstacles to the development of a climate-friendly energy and transport system.

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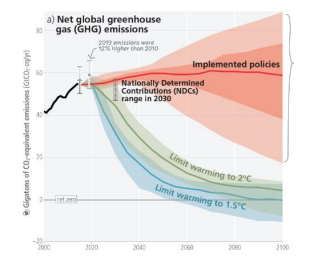


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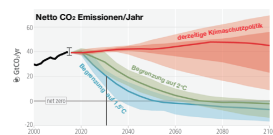


Drastic reduction of fossil fuels  
The drastic reduction in greenhouse gas emissions deemed necessary by the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change to achieve the goals of the Paris Agreement is here schematically applied to fossil energy production<sup>10</sup>.



CO<sub>2</sub> emissions must be drastically reduced to prevent with some certainty an irreversible climate catastrophe (blue curve)<sup>9</sup>.

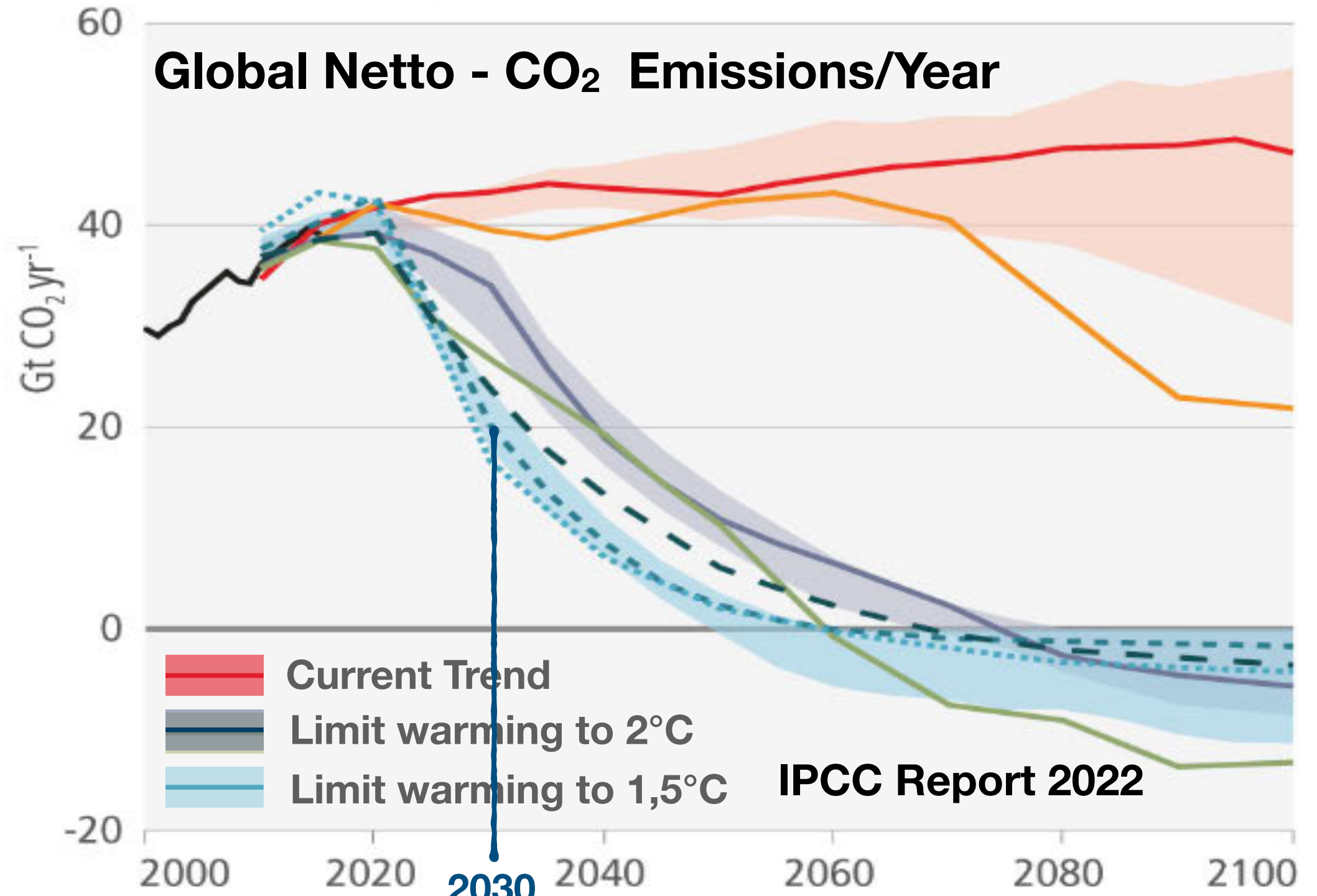
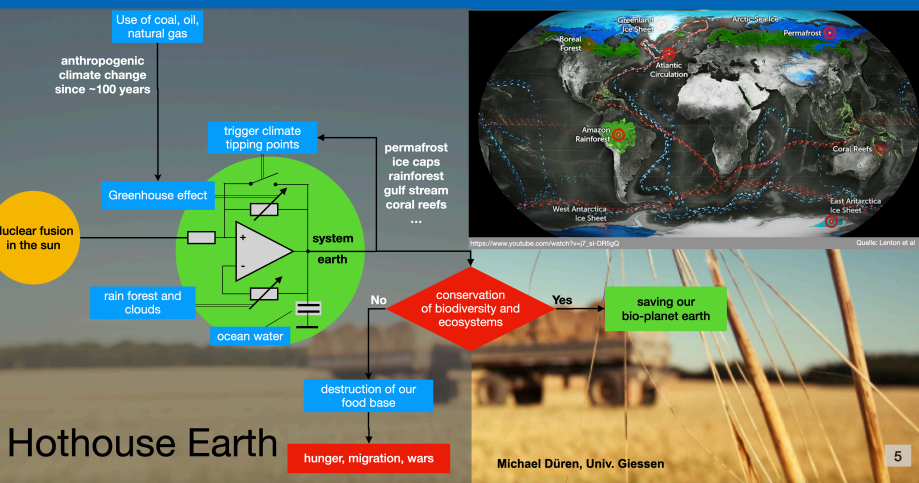
„Courage and determination?“



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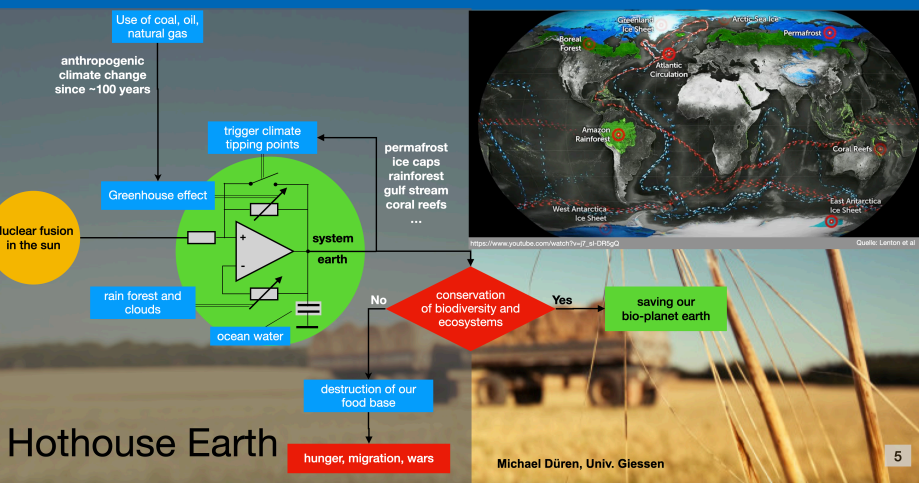
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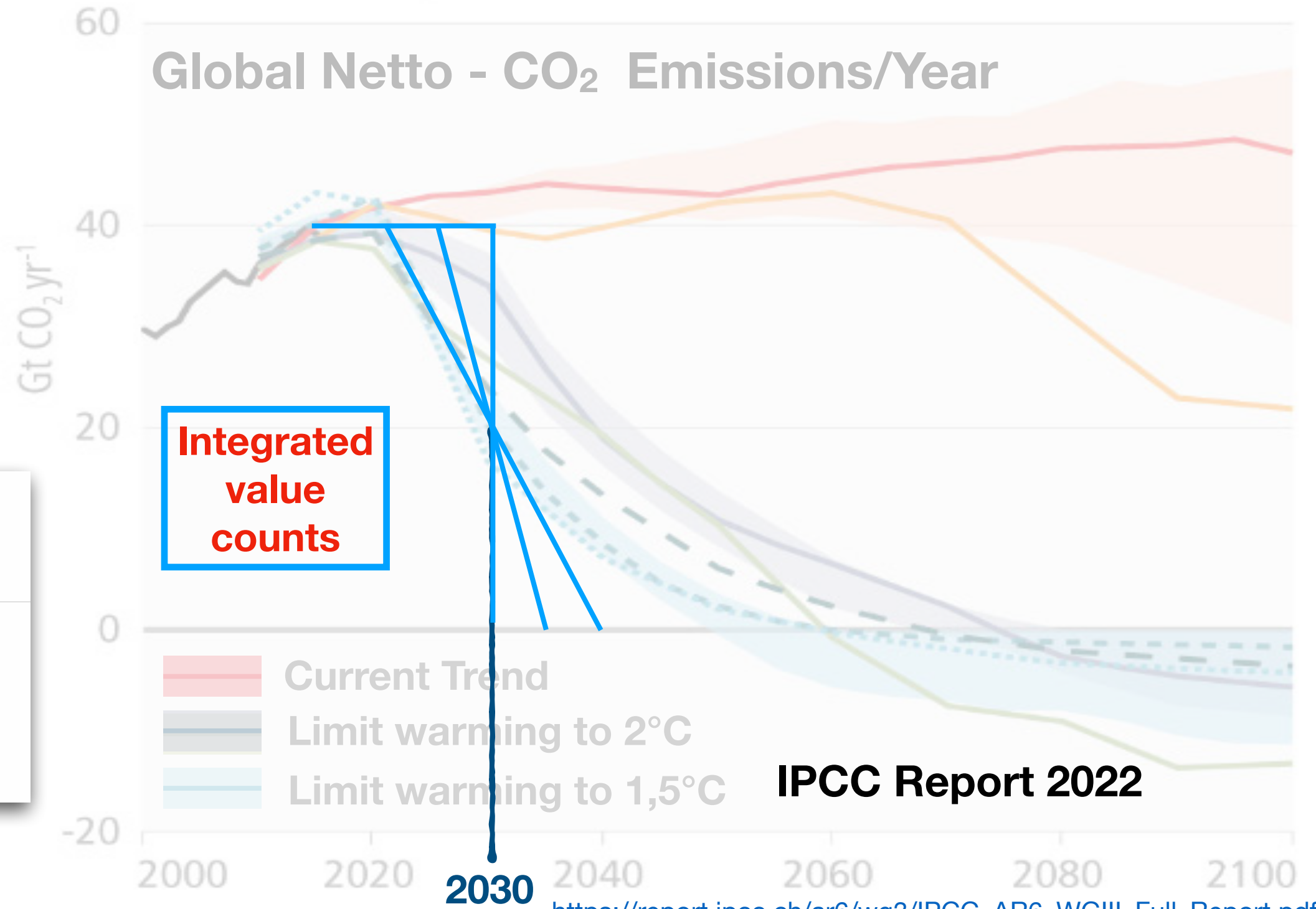
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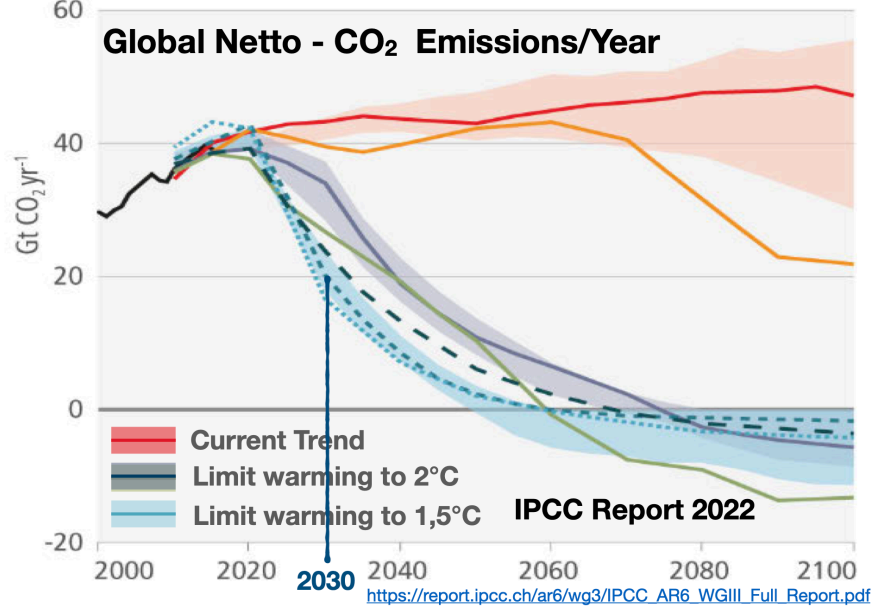


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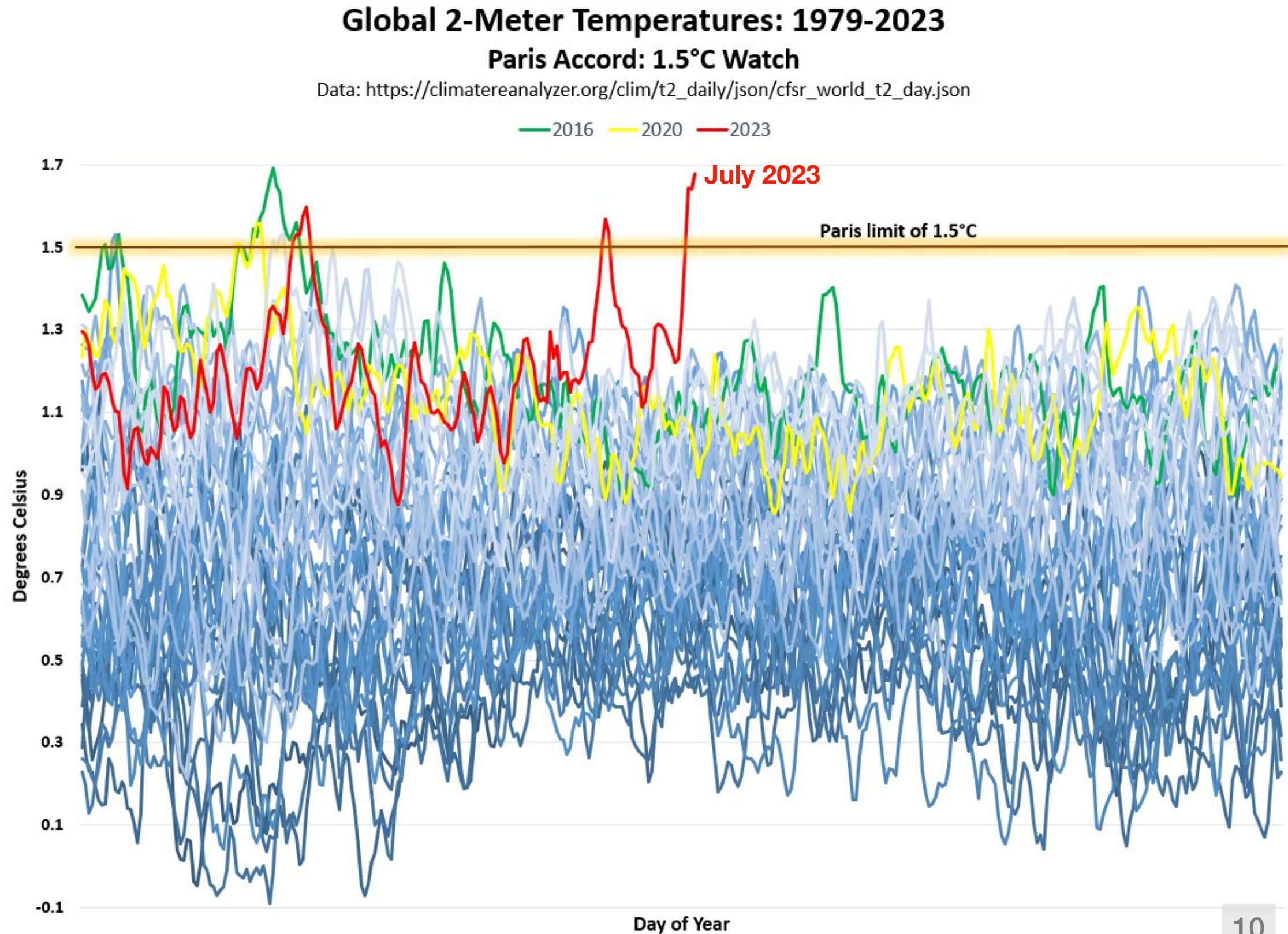


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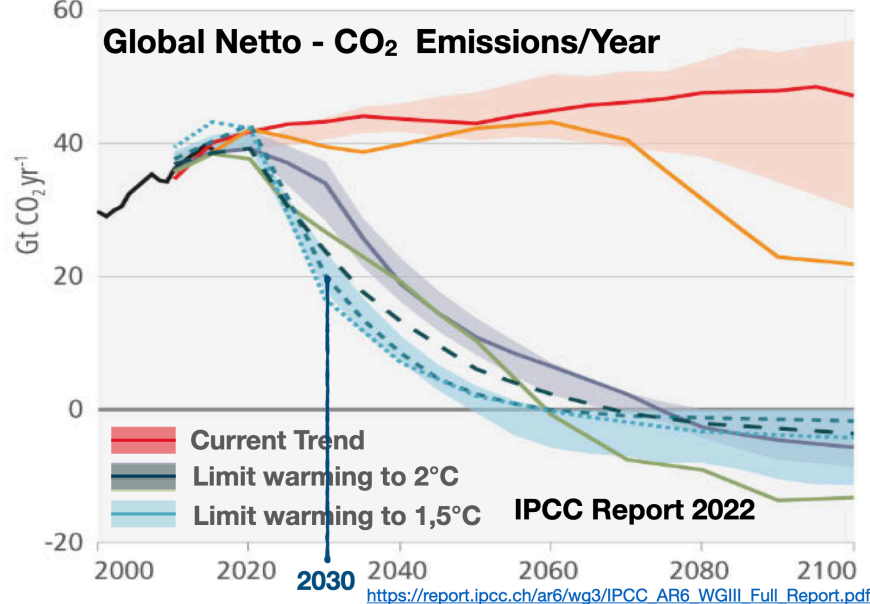
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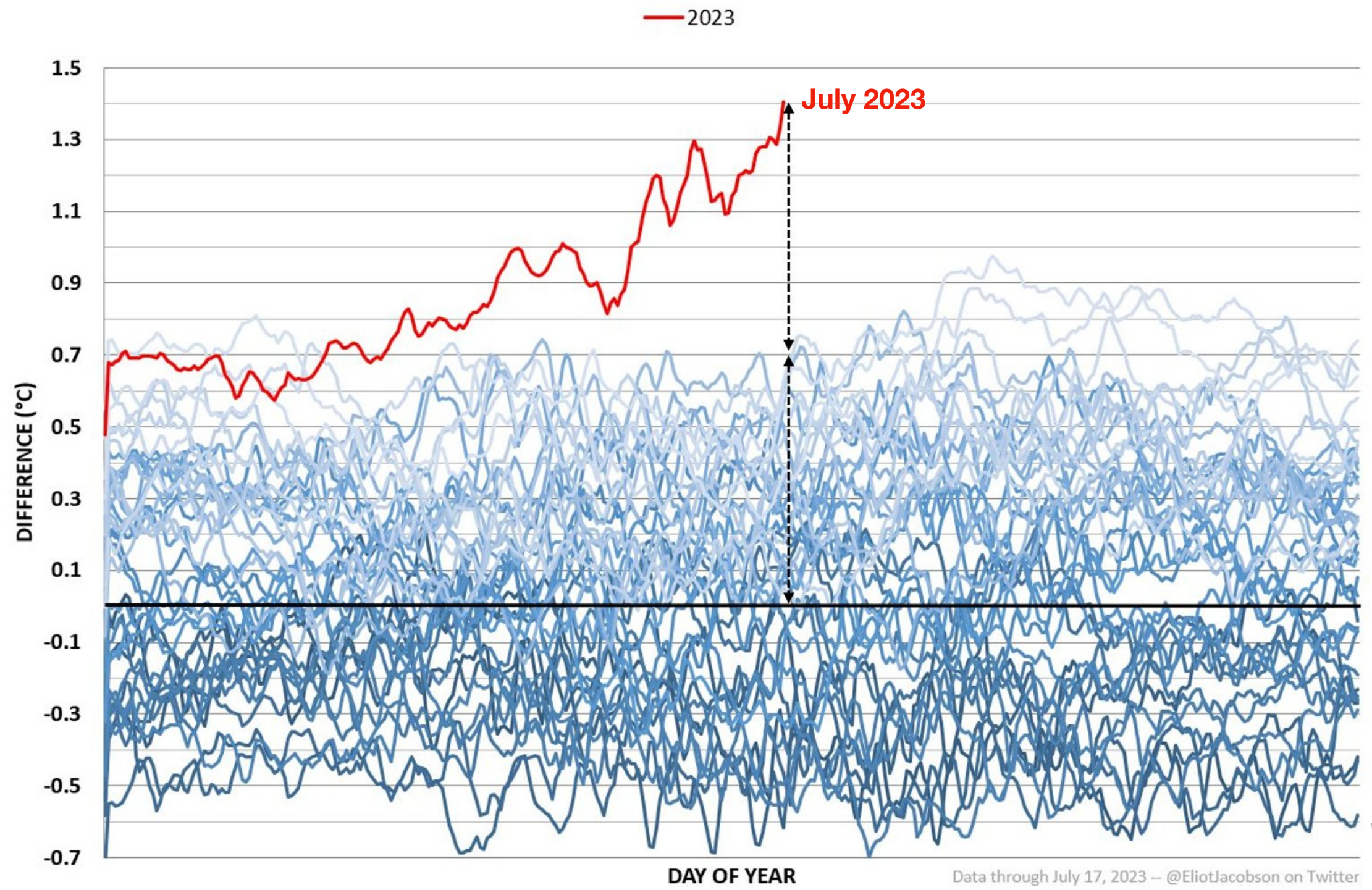
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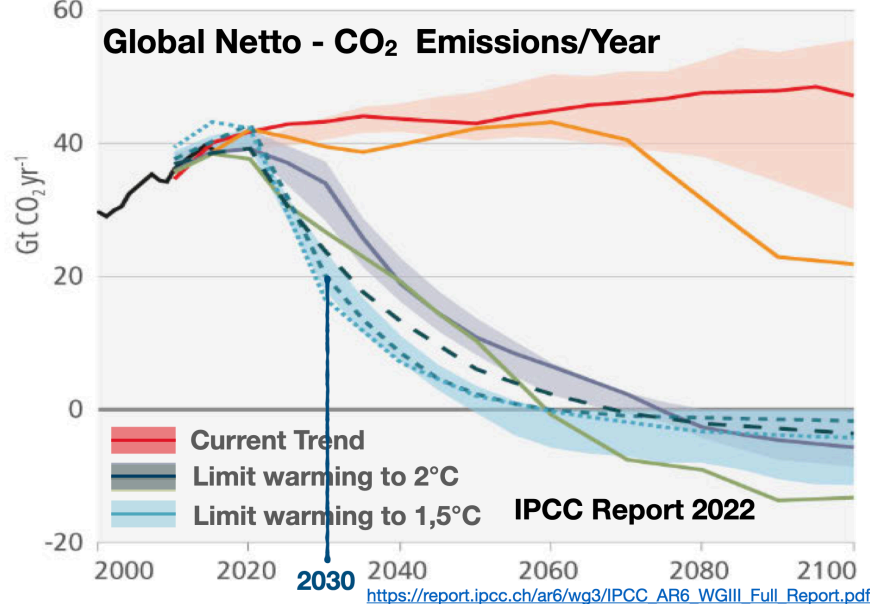
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## North Atlantic Sea Surface Temperature Anomaly: 1982 - 2023 (Difference from 1991-2020 Mean)



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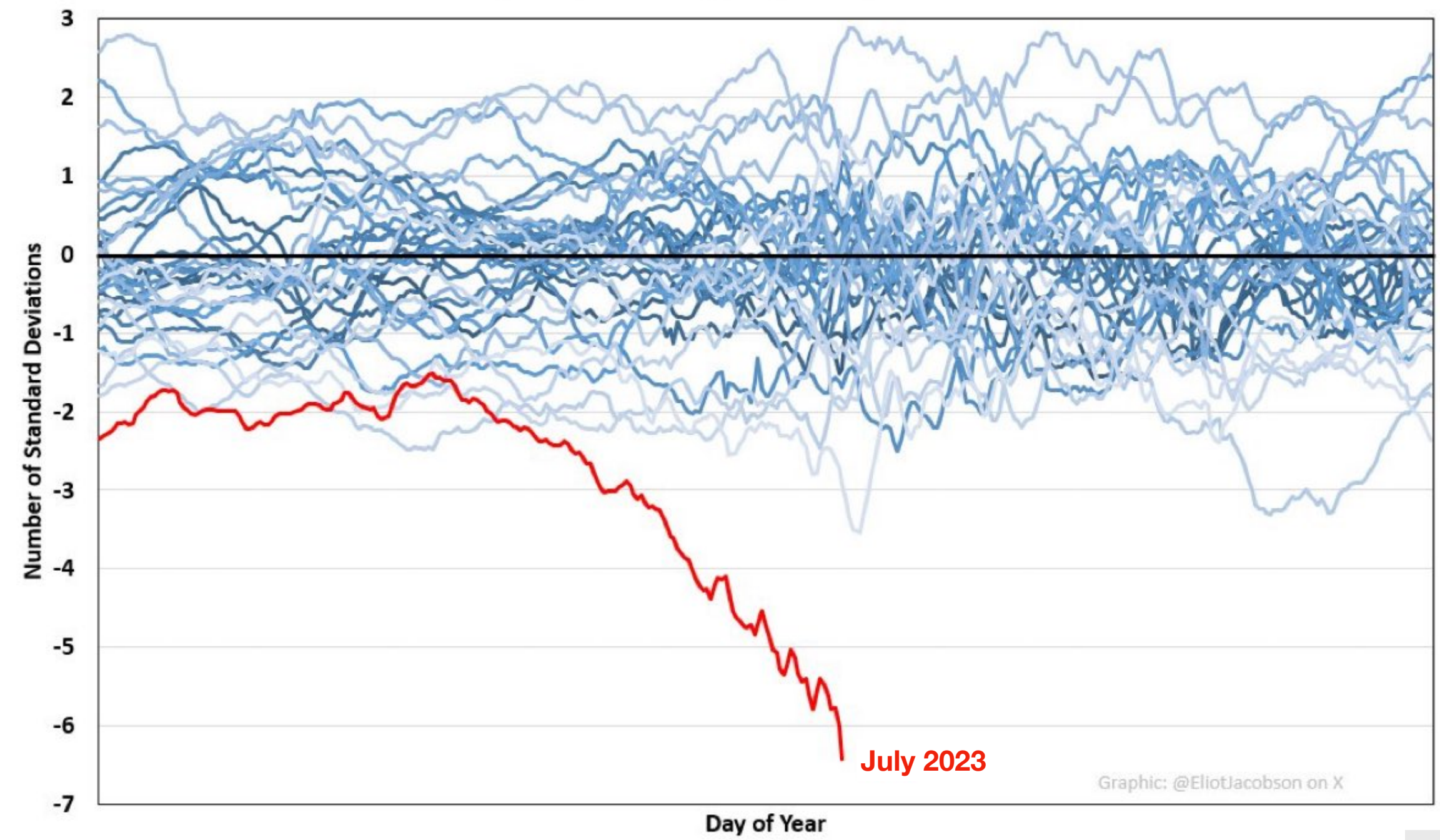
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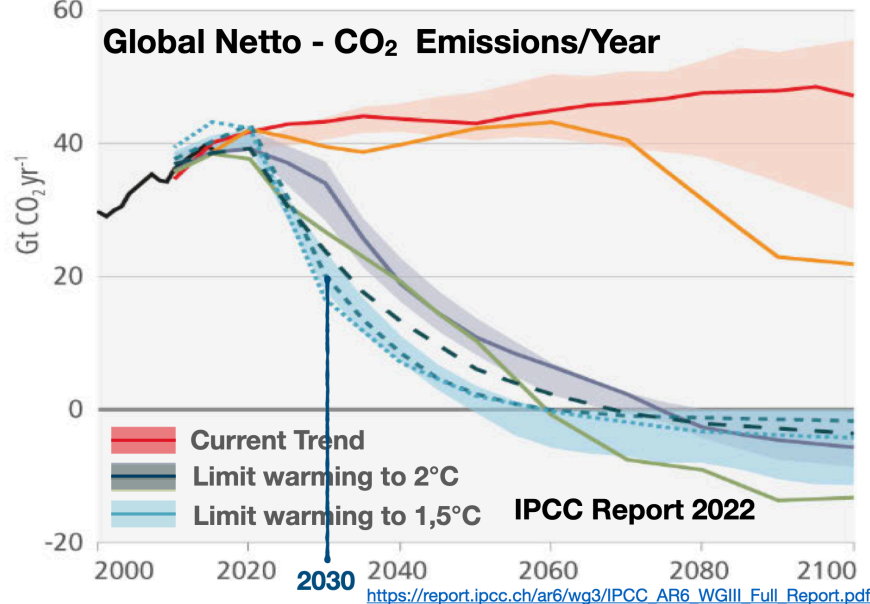
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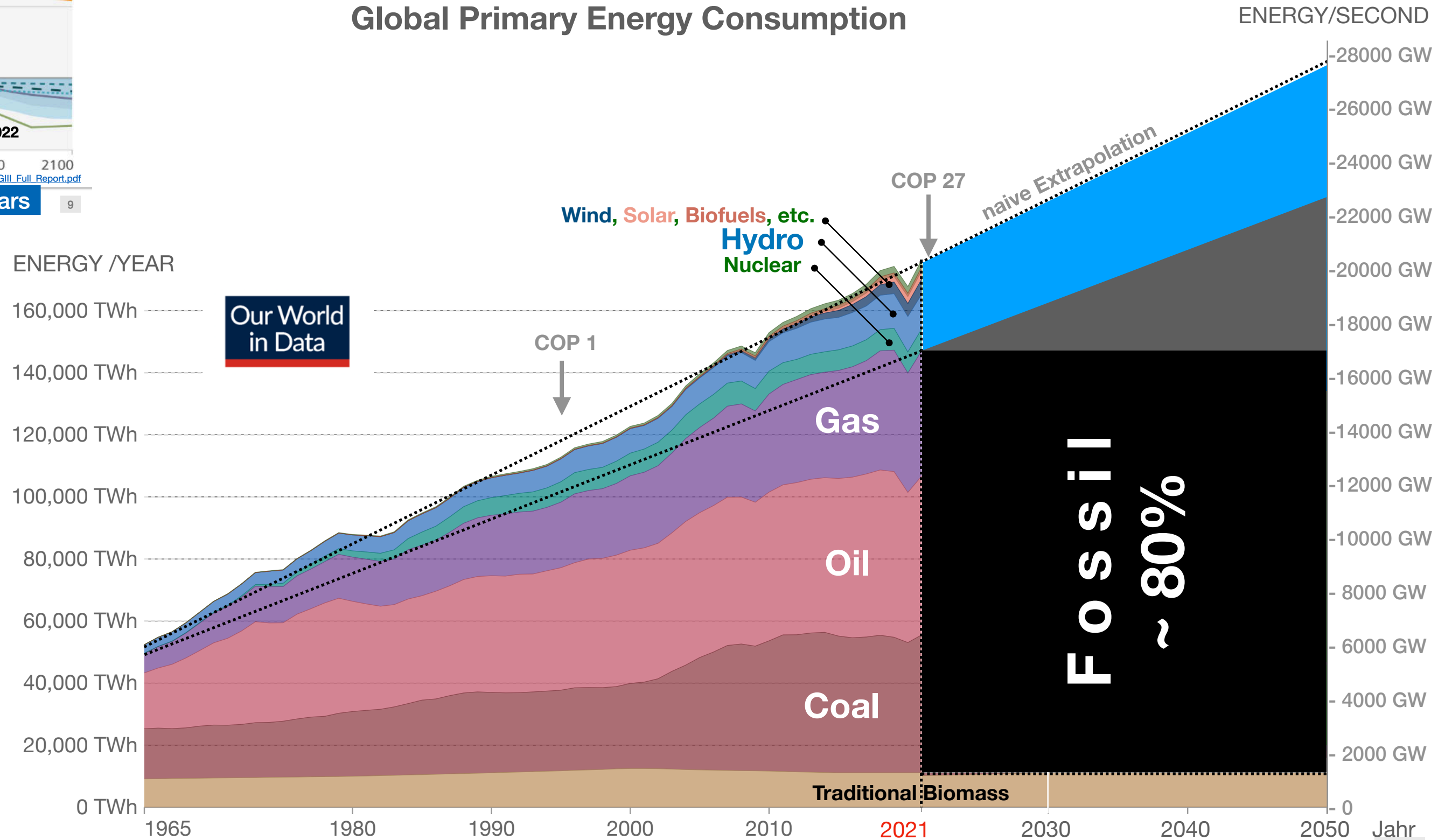
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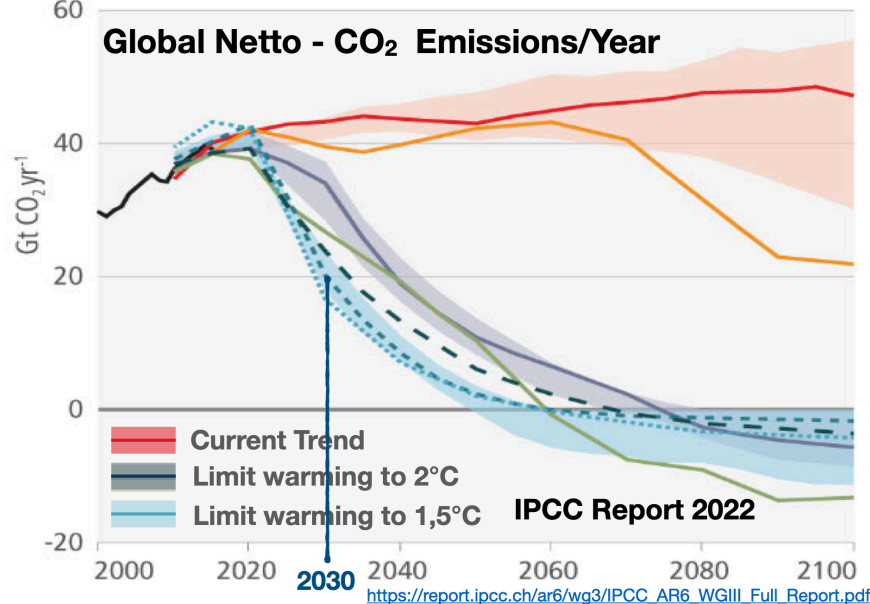
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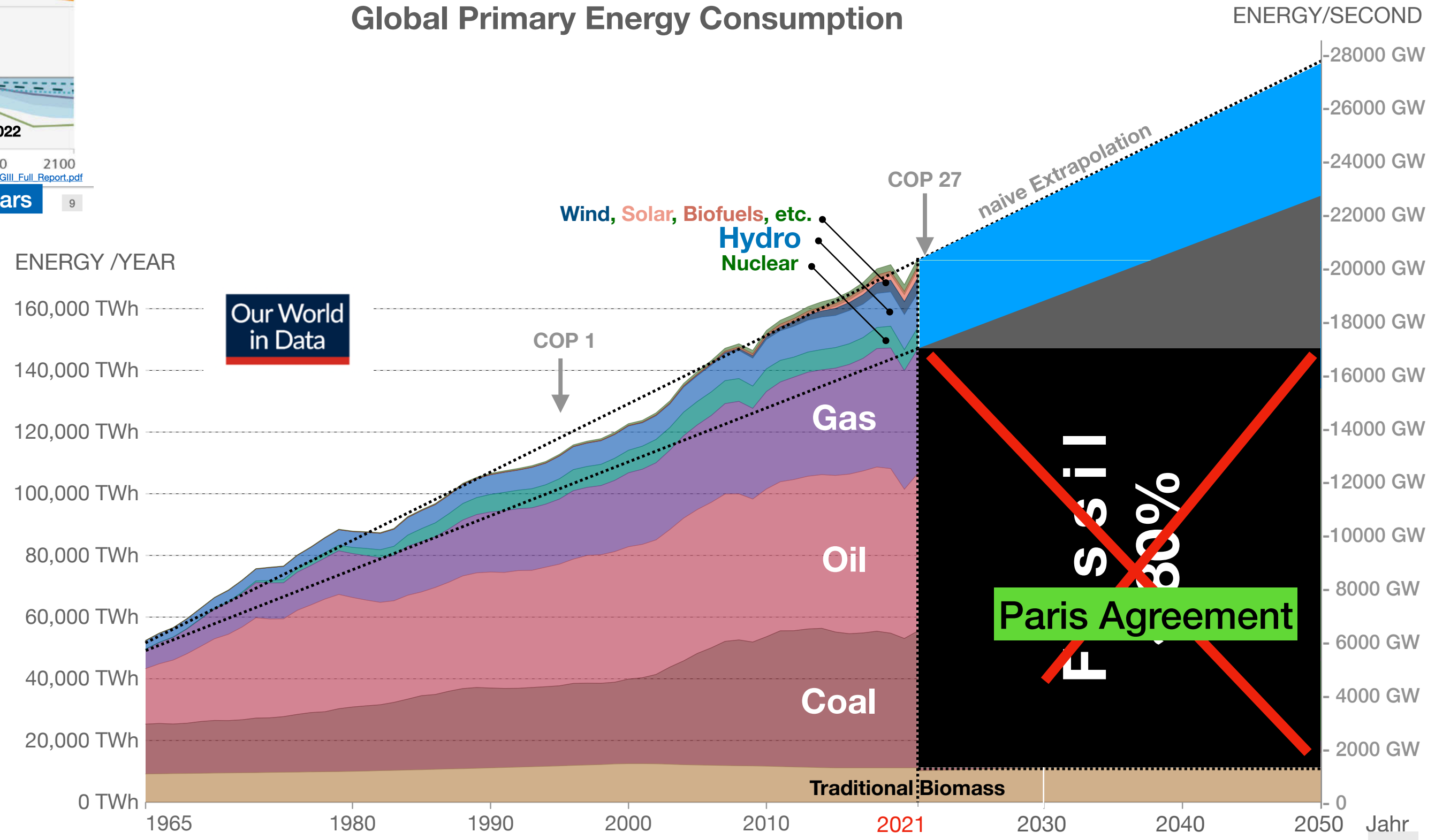


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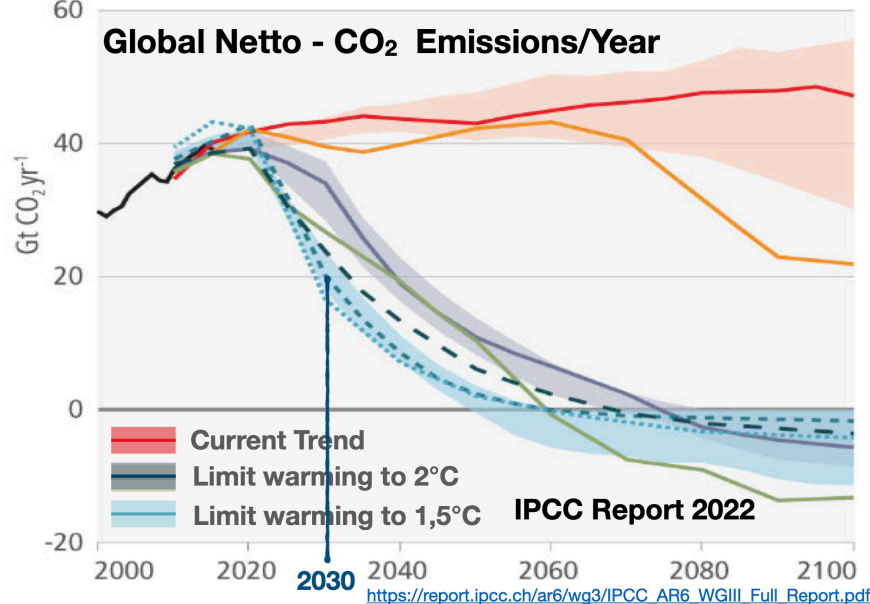
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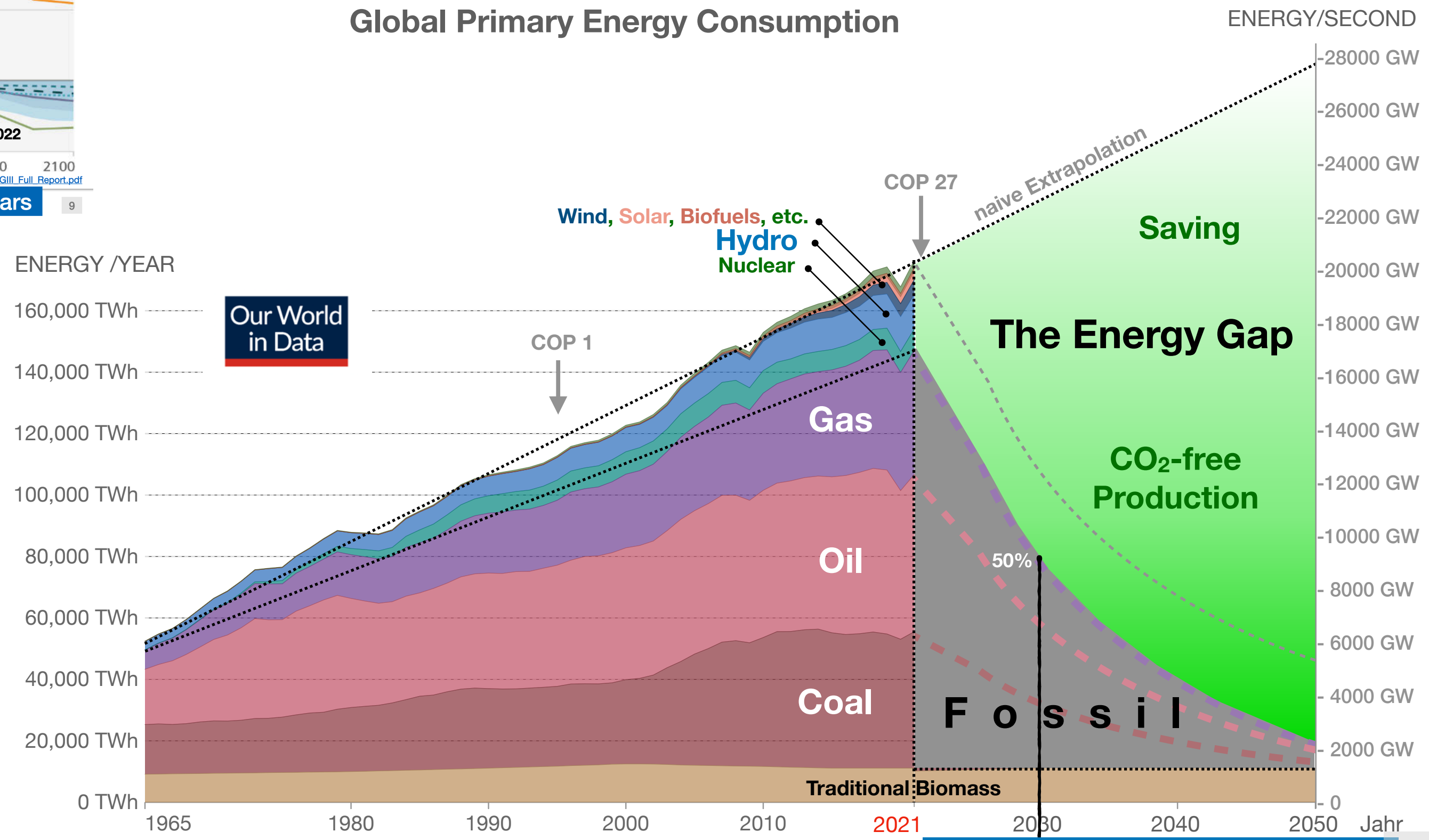
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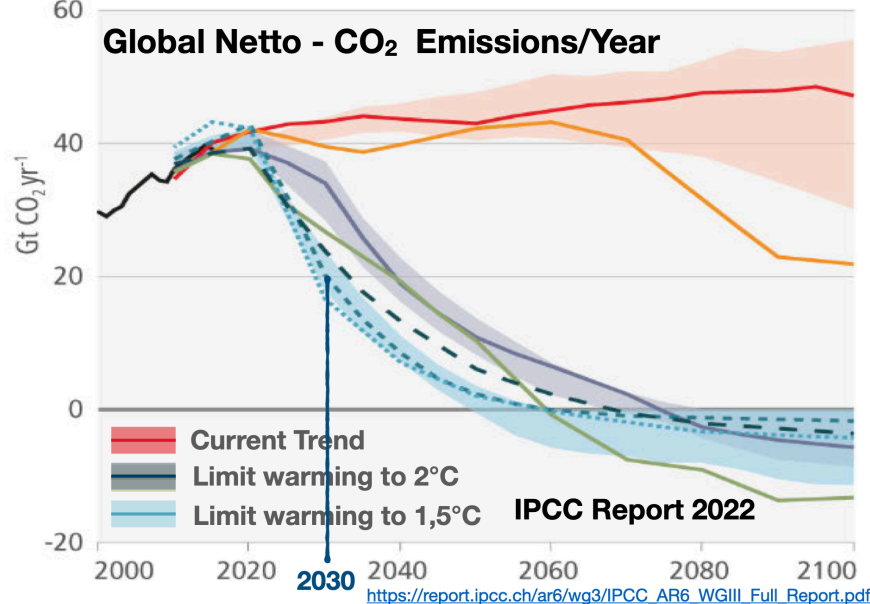


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Source: Our World in Data based on Vaclav Smil (2017) and BP Statistical Review of World Energy

50% until 2030 (7 Jahre)

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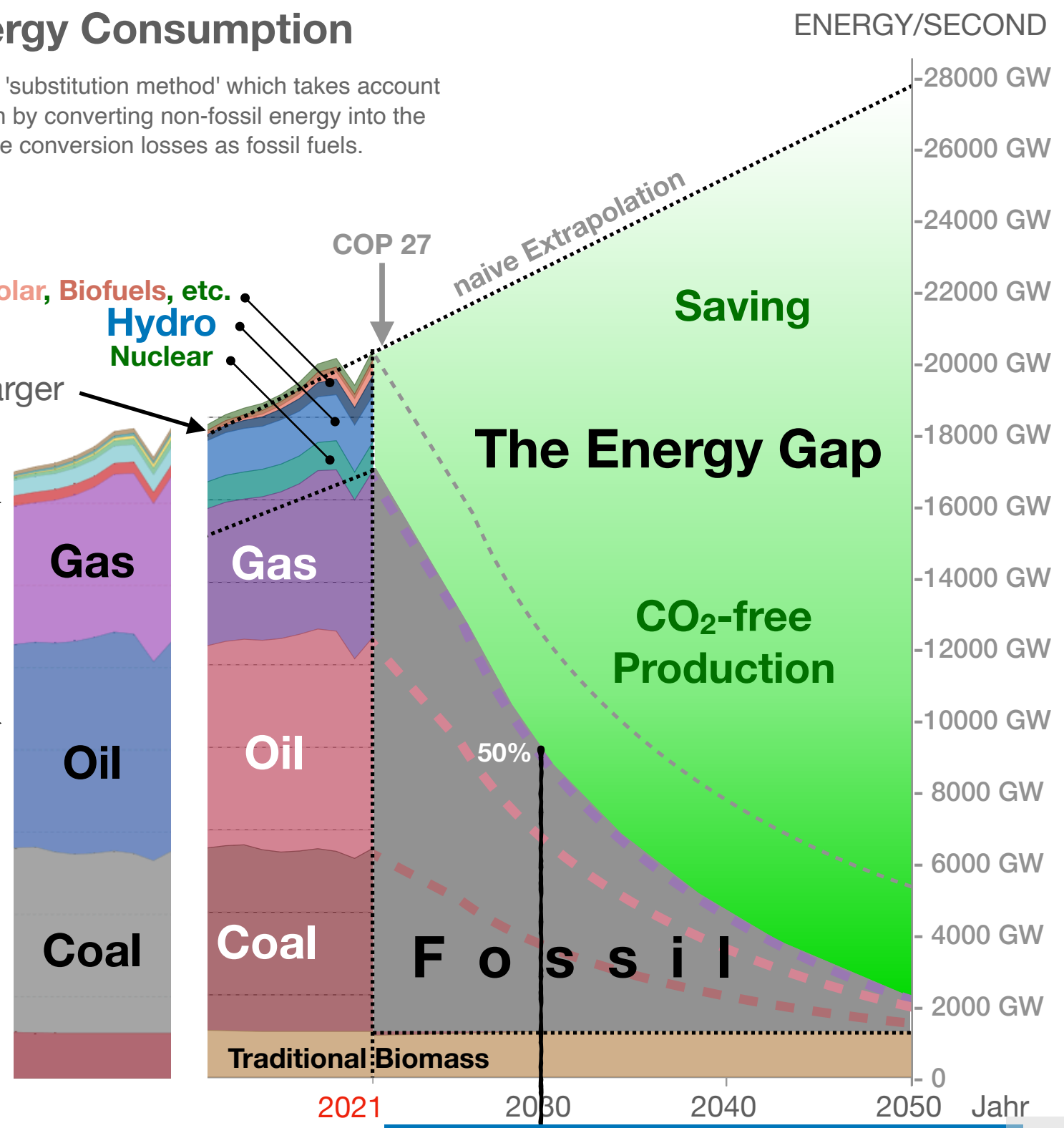
Primary energy is calculated based on the 'substitution method' which takes account of the inefficiencies in fossil fuel production by converting non-fossil energy into the energy inputs required if they had the same conversion losses as fossil fuels.

\* substitution method counts electrical power x 2.5 times larger

\* direct method counts all energies equally

Wind, Solar, Biofuels, etc.  
Hydro  
Nuclear

Nuclear power



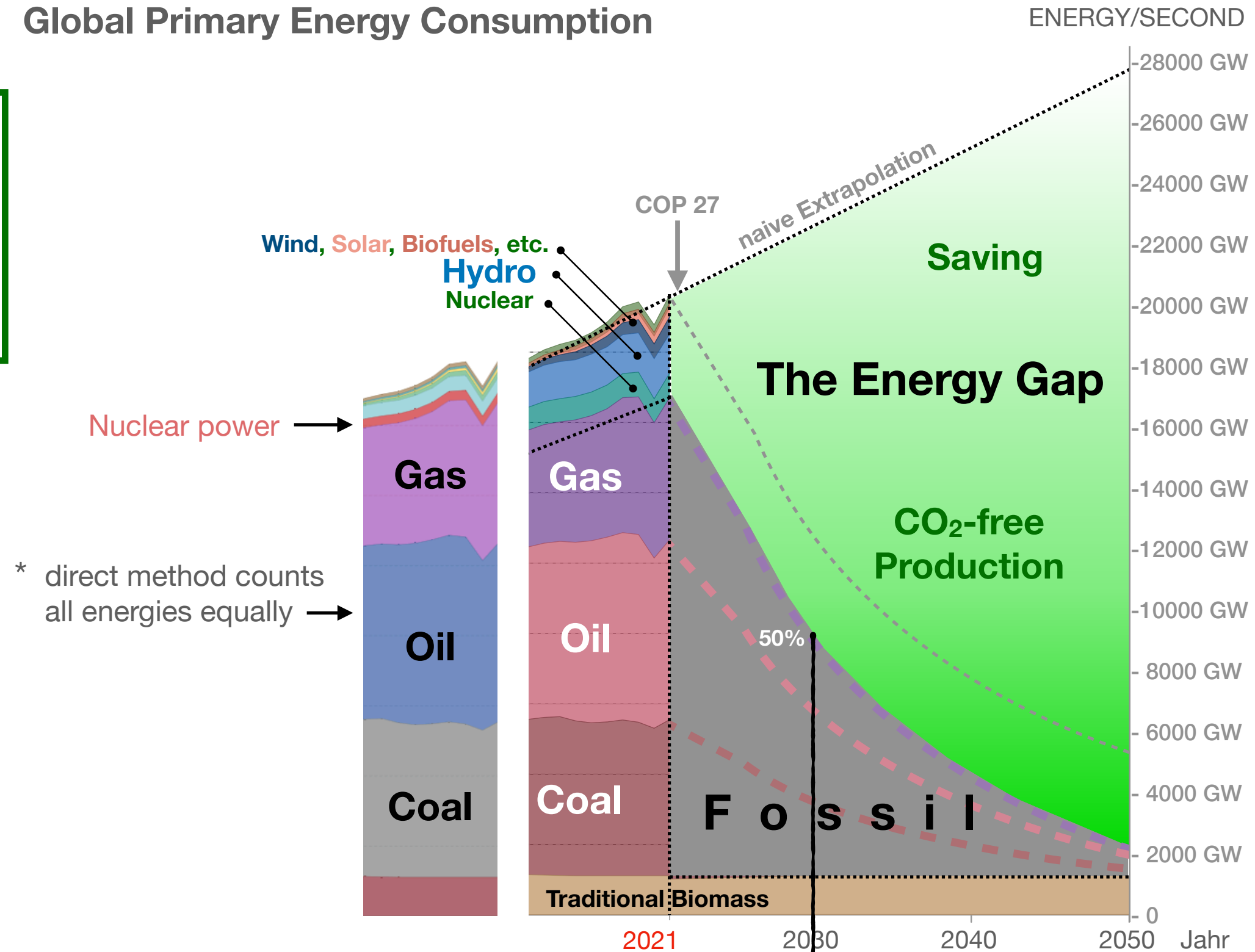


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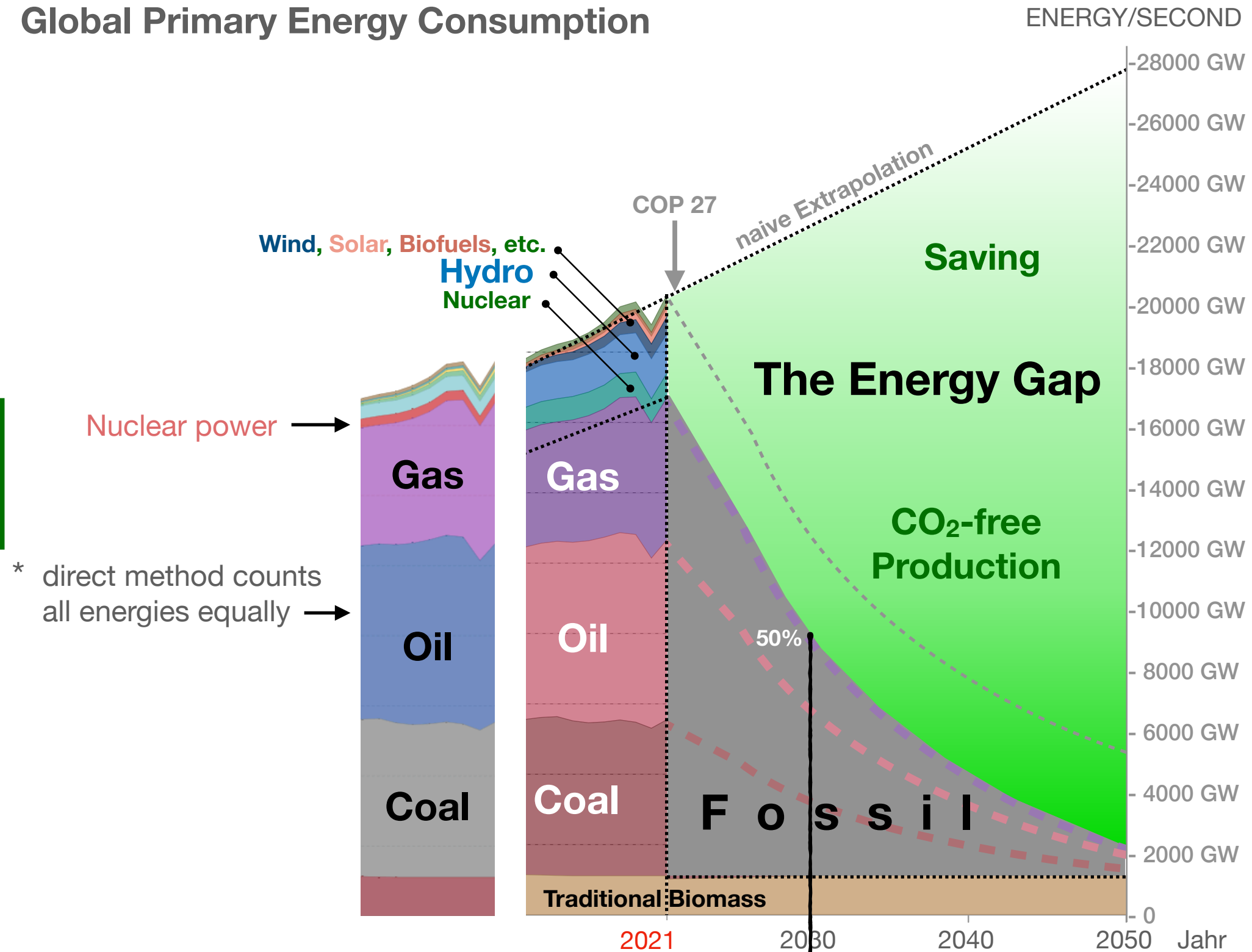
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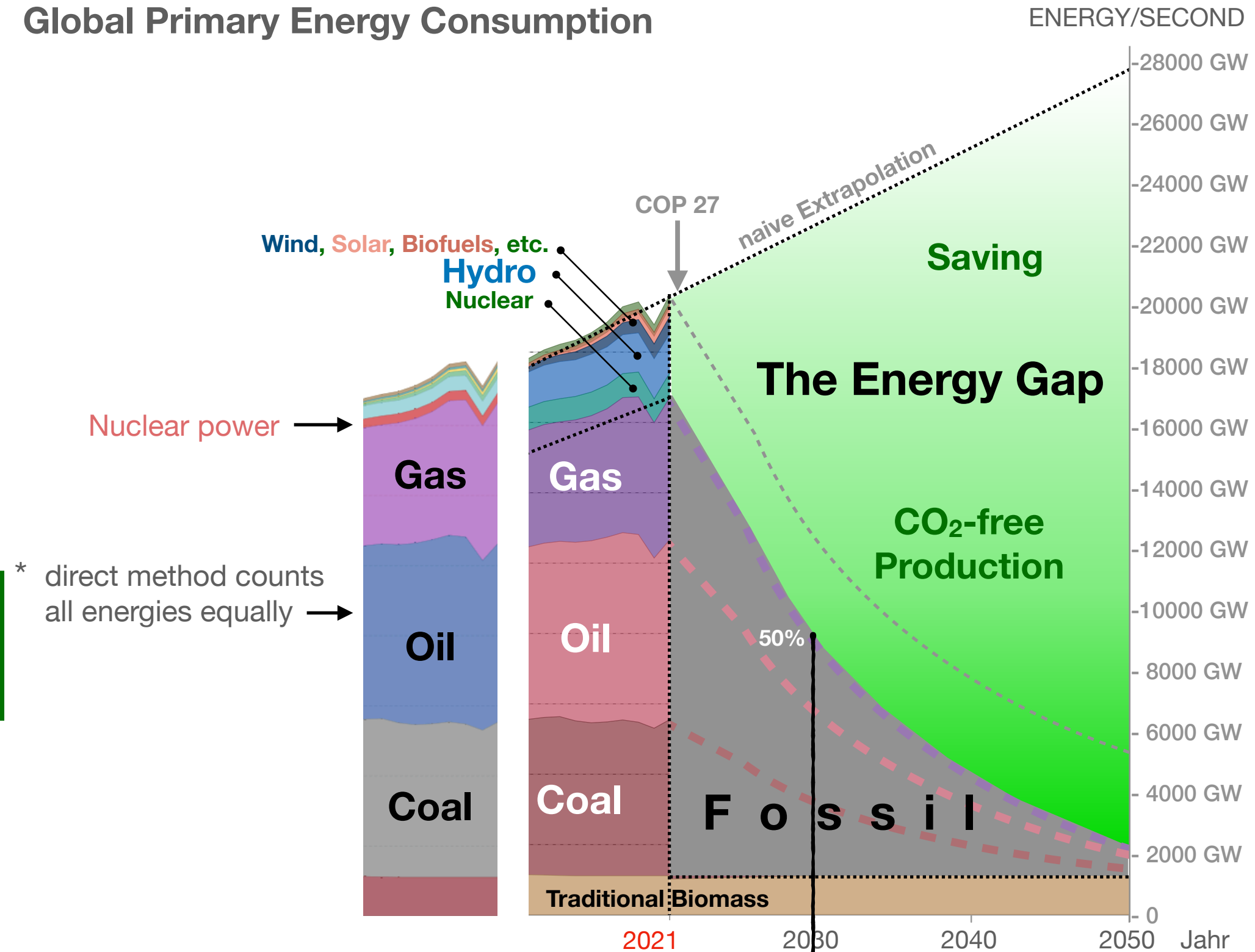


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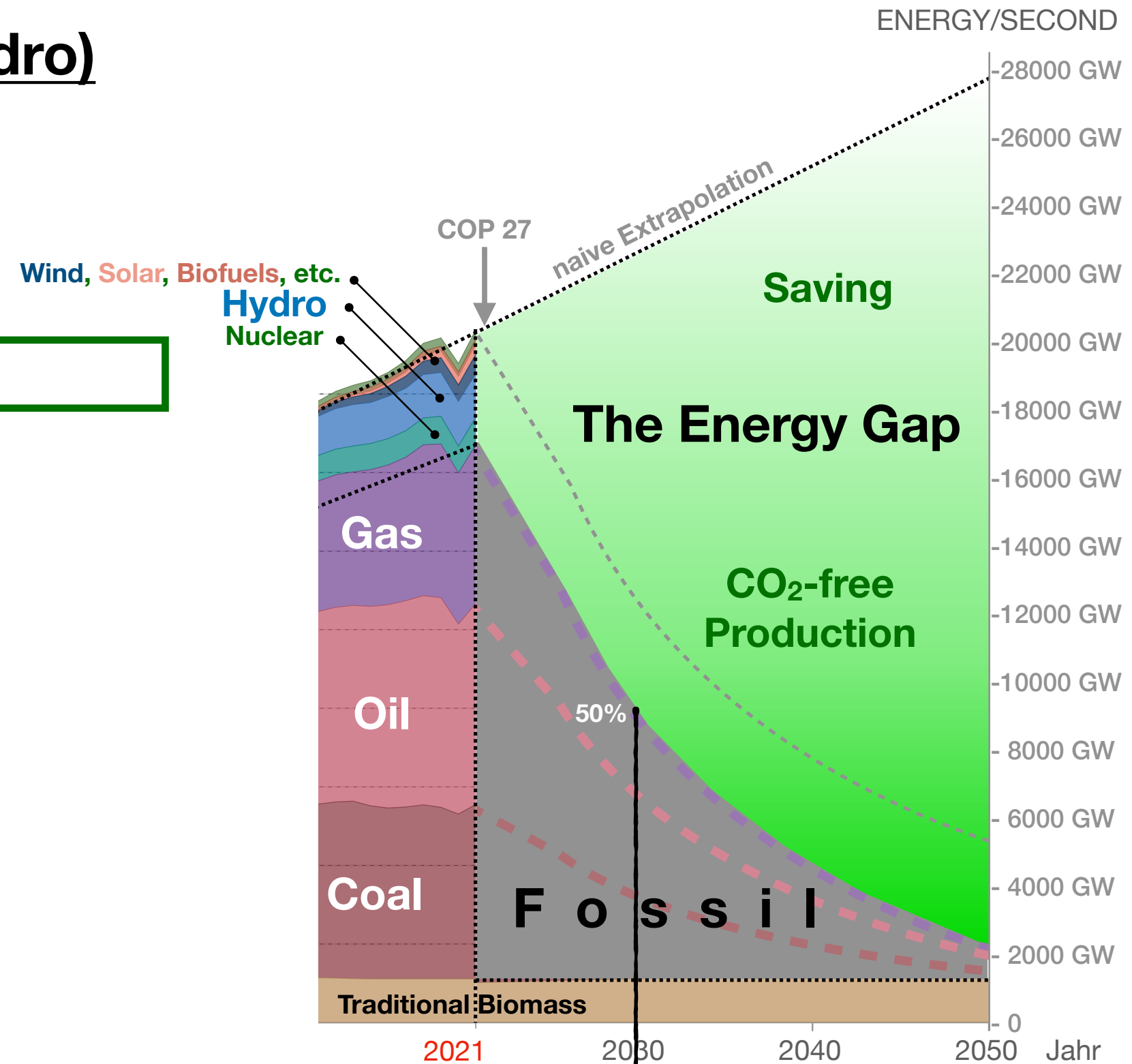
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DESERTEC: wind in deserts  
Gobi desert, China: Wind power  
Plan: additional 450 GW  
renewables mainly in deserts

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DESERTEC: CSP+PV combination in deserts  
Dubai, UAE: 700 MW (solar thermal) + 200 MW (PV)

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DESERTEC: power tower in deserts  
Atacama desert/Chile 210 MW, 16 h heat storage  
power day and night



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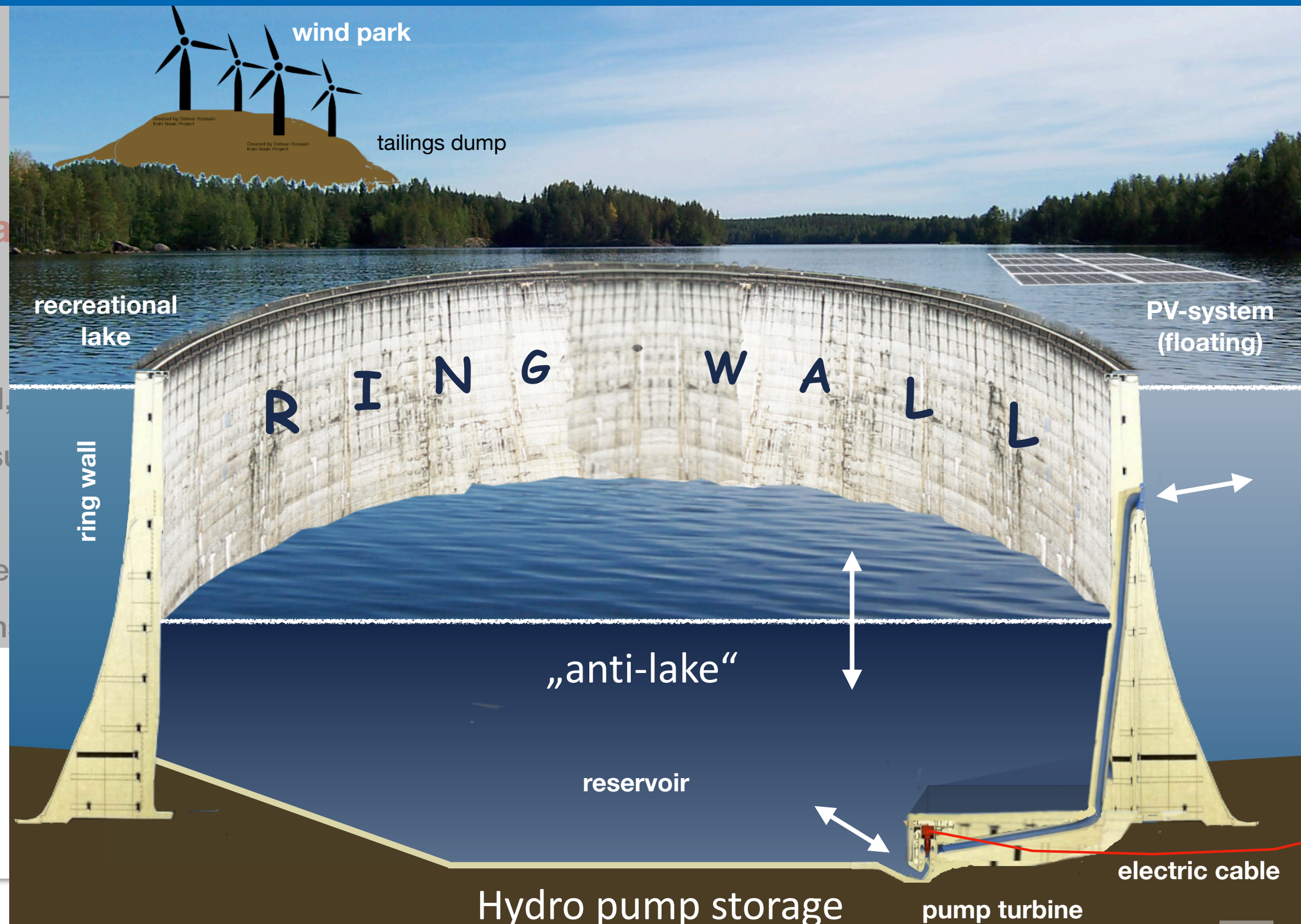
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- Ring water storage power plants in abandoned open pit mines, lakes, ocean



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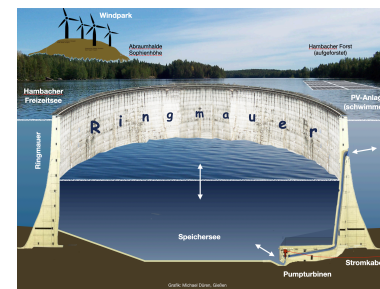
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„anti-lake“

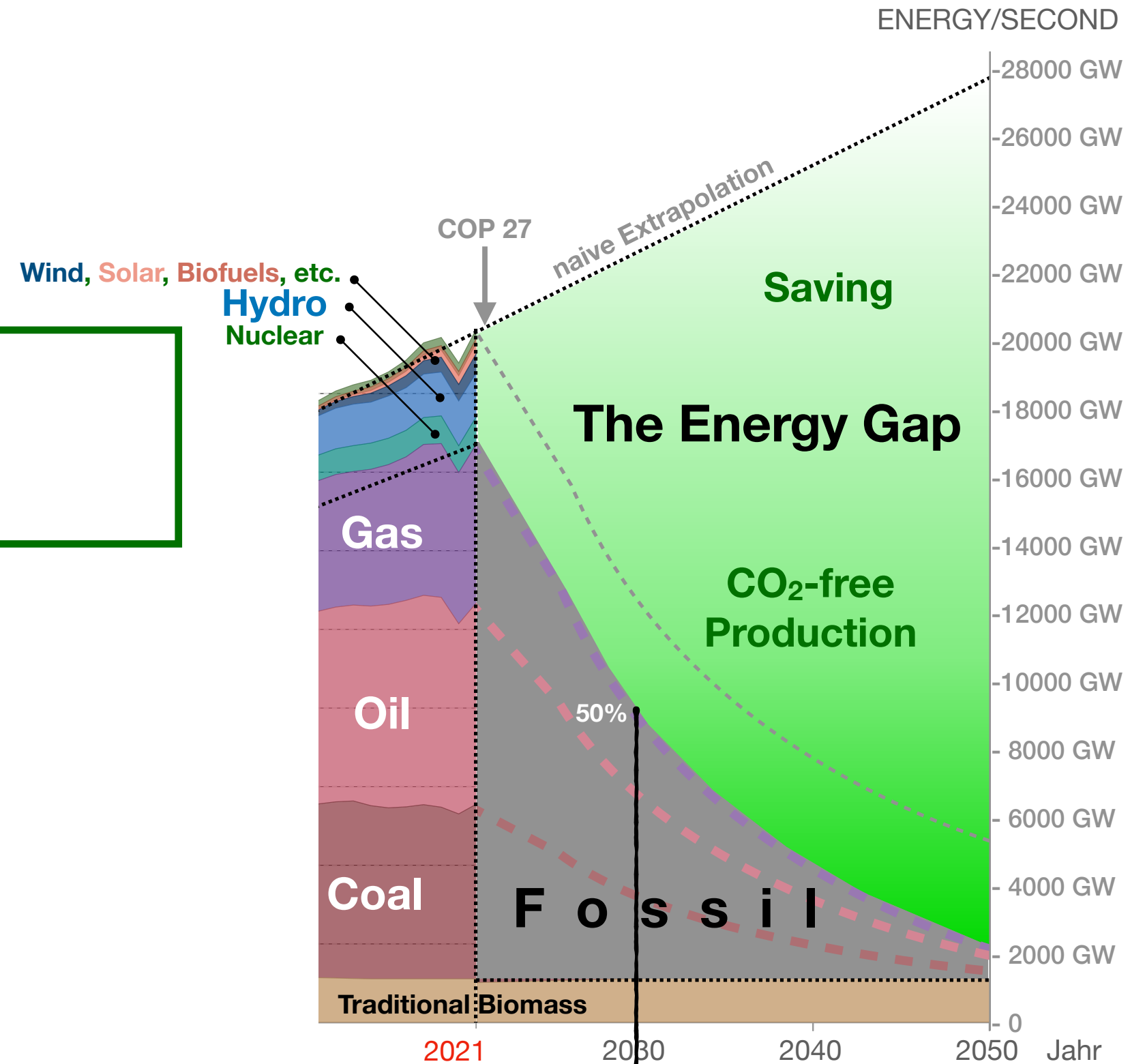
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## Increase energy efficiency

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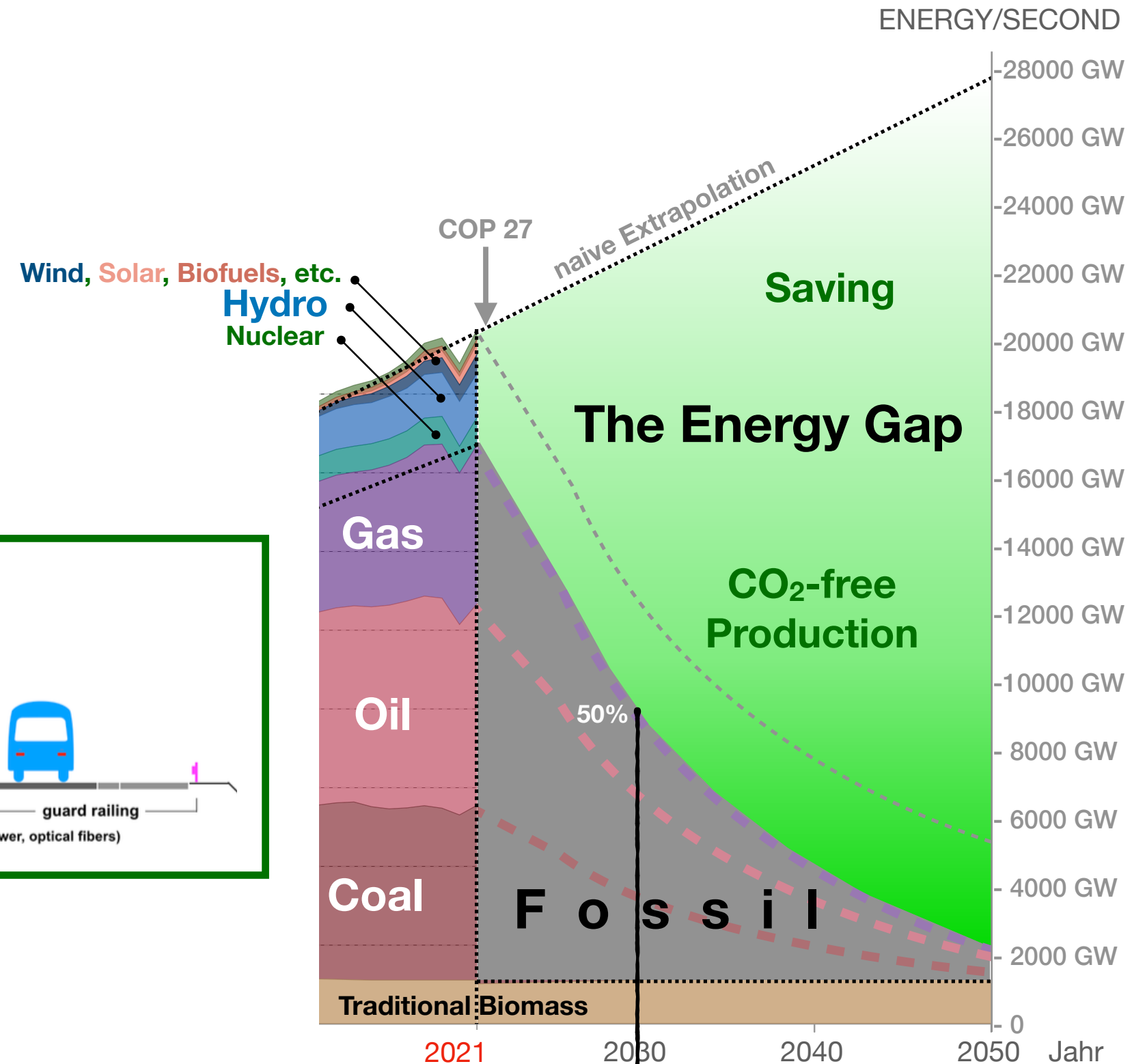
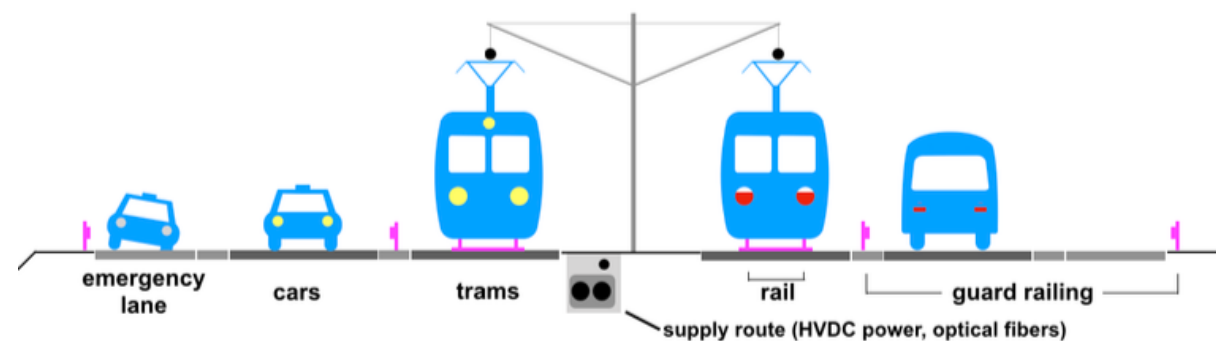
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4. Rail traffic on motorways (**factor 10** vs. cars/trucks)

(Speed trams on autobahn)



# Technology change is key to sustainability



**Back to the future**

„Overhead line“  
on the ground  
(France)

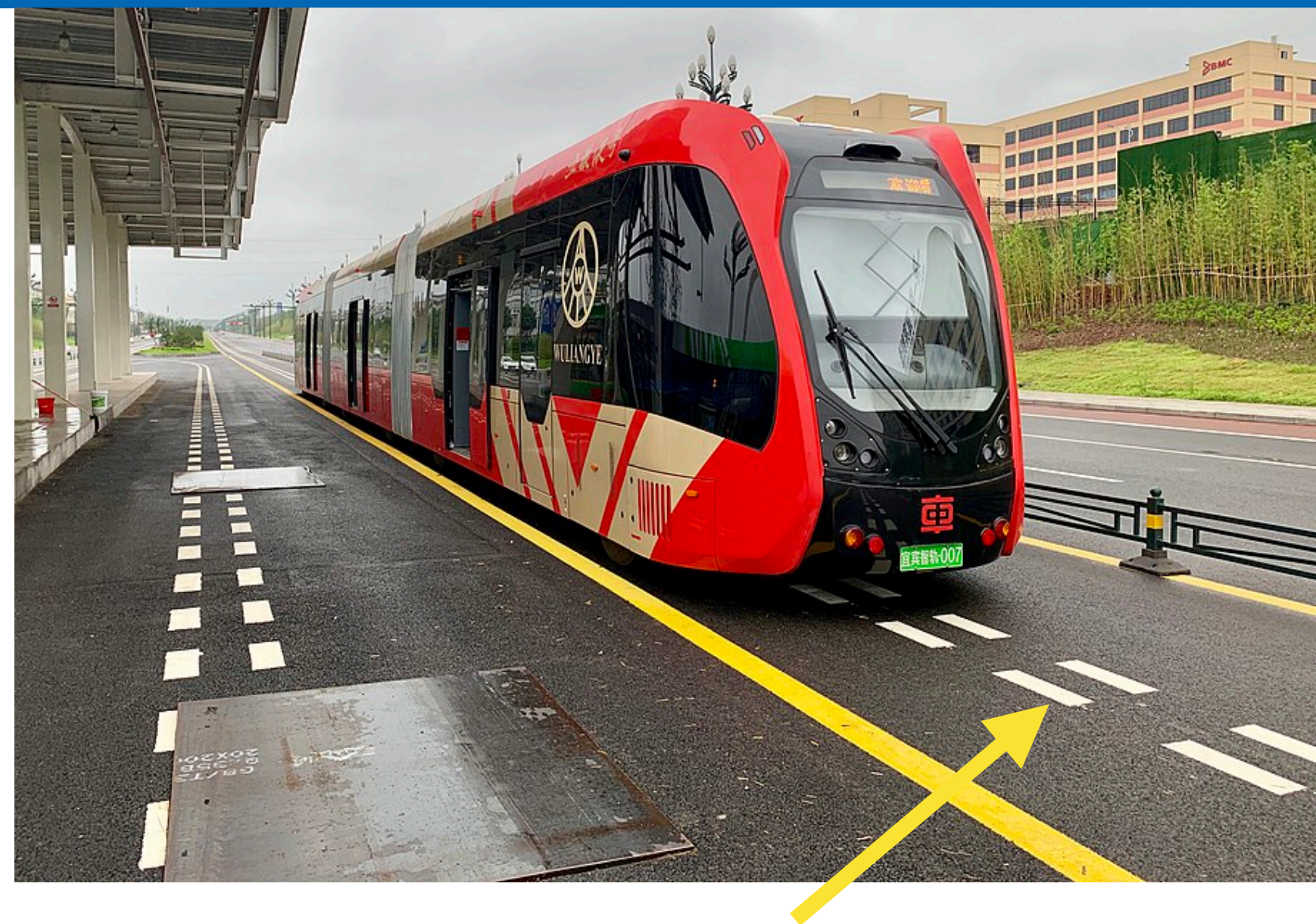


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**Battery charging at tram stop (Australia)**



**Autonomous driving along dashed lines  
(no rails on this road, China)**

# Speed-Tram on the Auto-Bahn

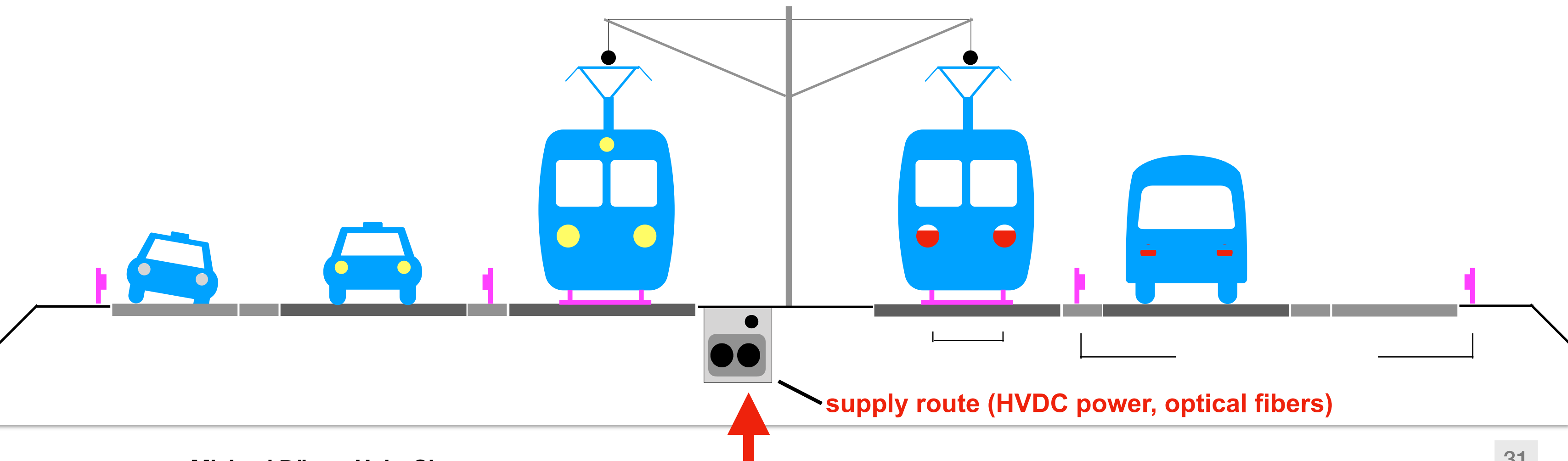
## Energy for transport reduced by factor 10

Put rails on roads and highways

- without additional land use & expropriations
- speed up approvals and construction

## Enabling the energy transition

- supply route for HVDC at various HV levels across the country (no new overhead HV lines needed)
- batteries of Speed-Trams are connected to the grid (double use; stabilisation of the national grid)



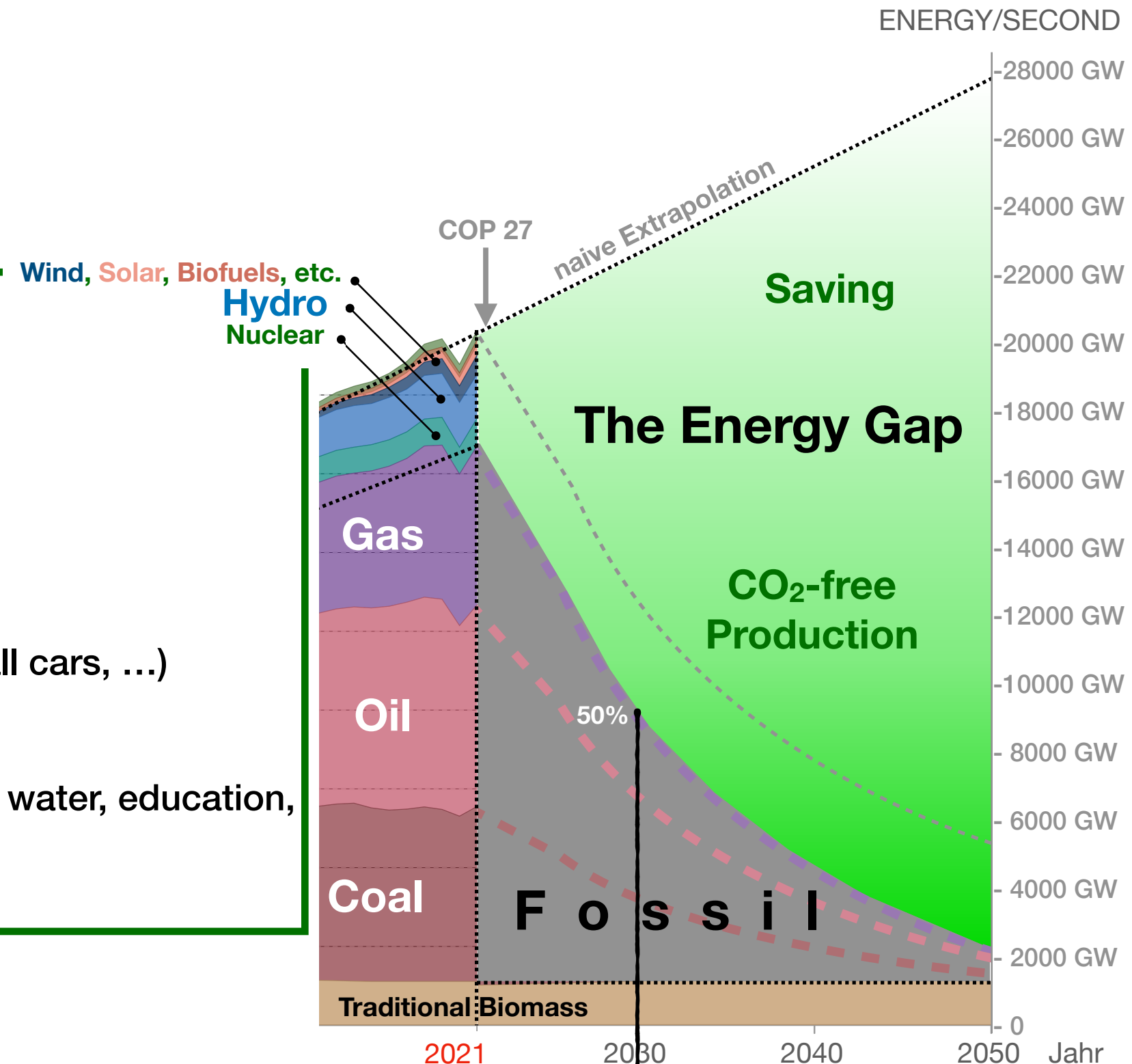
# Option 3: saving - What to do and what to avoid?

## Save energy

(Factor ~2 in 7 years)

### System change of behaviour

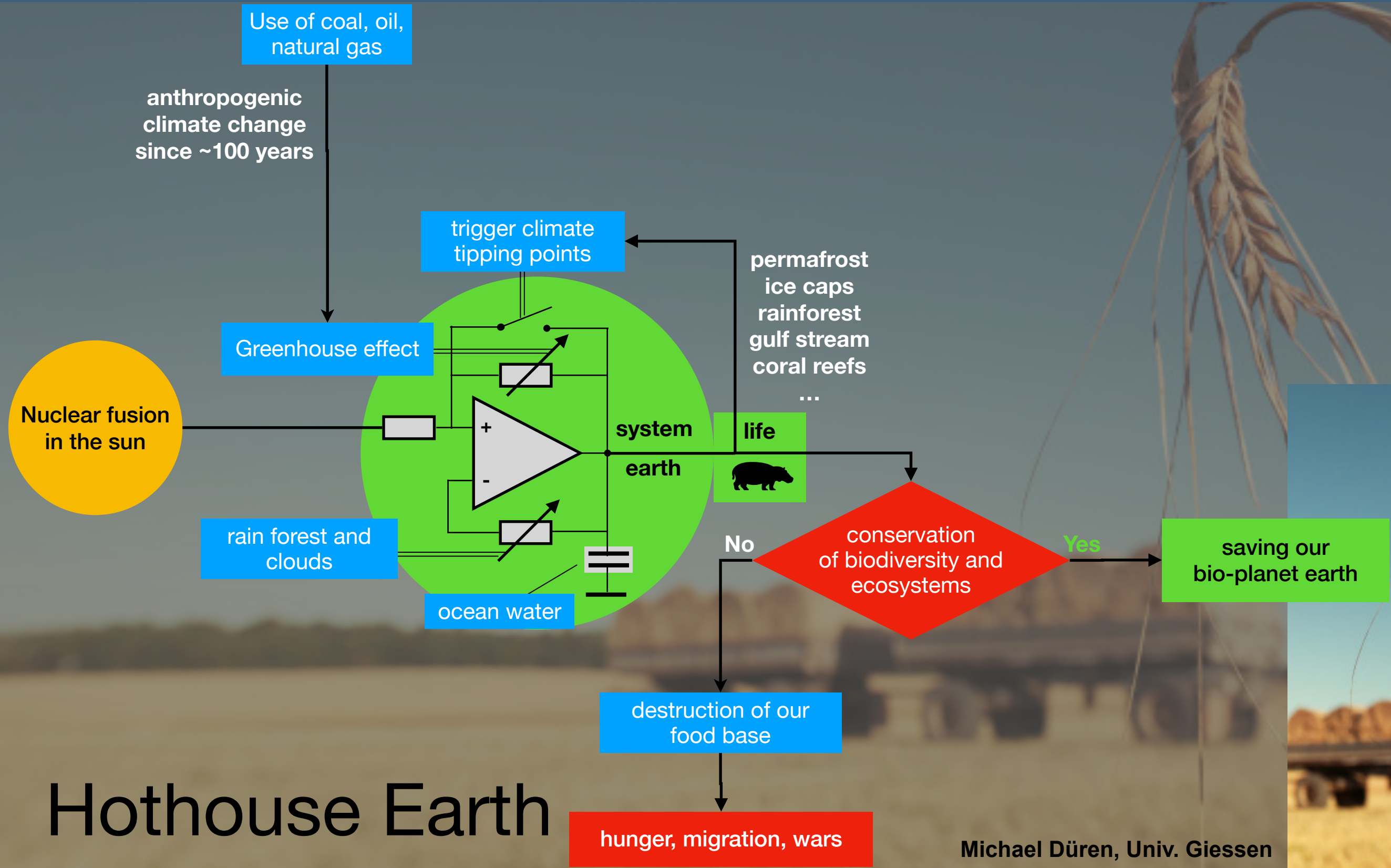
1. Less travel: online conferences, holidays nearby
2. Less commuting: home office, local co-working spaces
3. Eat little fish and meat; no beef
4. Fewer consumer items, more repair options
5. Less globalisation (local food, local factories)
6. Use public transport and light vehicles (bicycles, scooters, small cars, ...)
7. No flights (if possible)
8. Energy priority for essential things (agriculture, fertilisers, clean water, education, internet: social contacts, remote work, remote construction ...)





# Survival of civilisation?

2023-2030



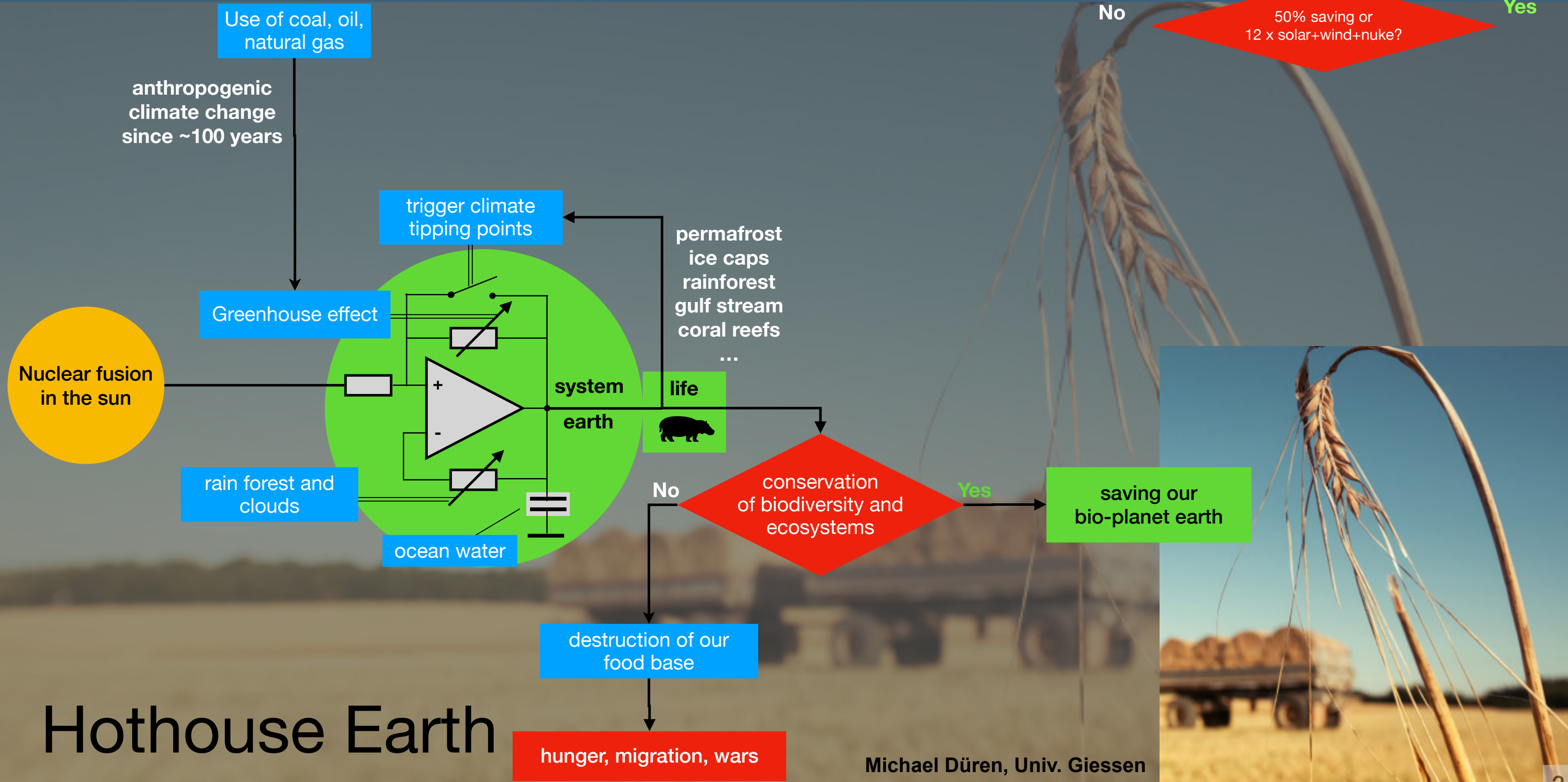
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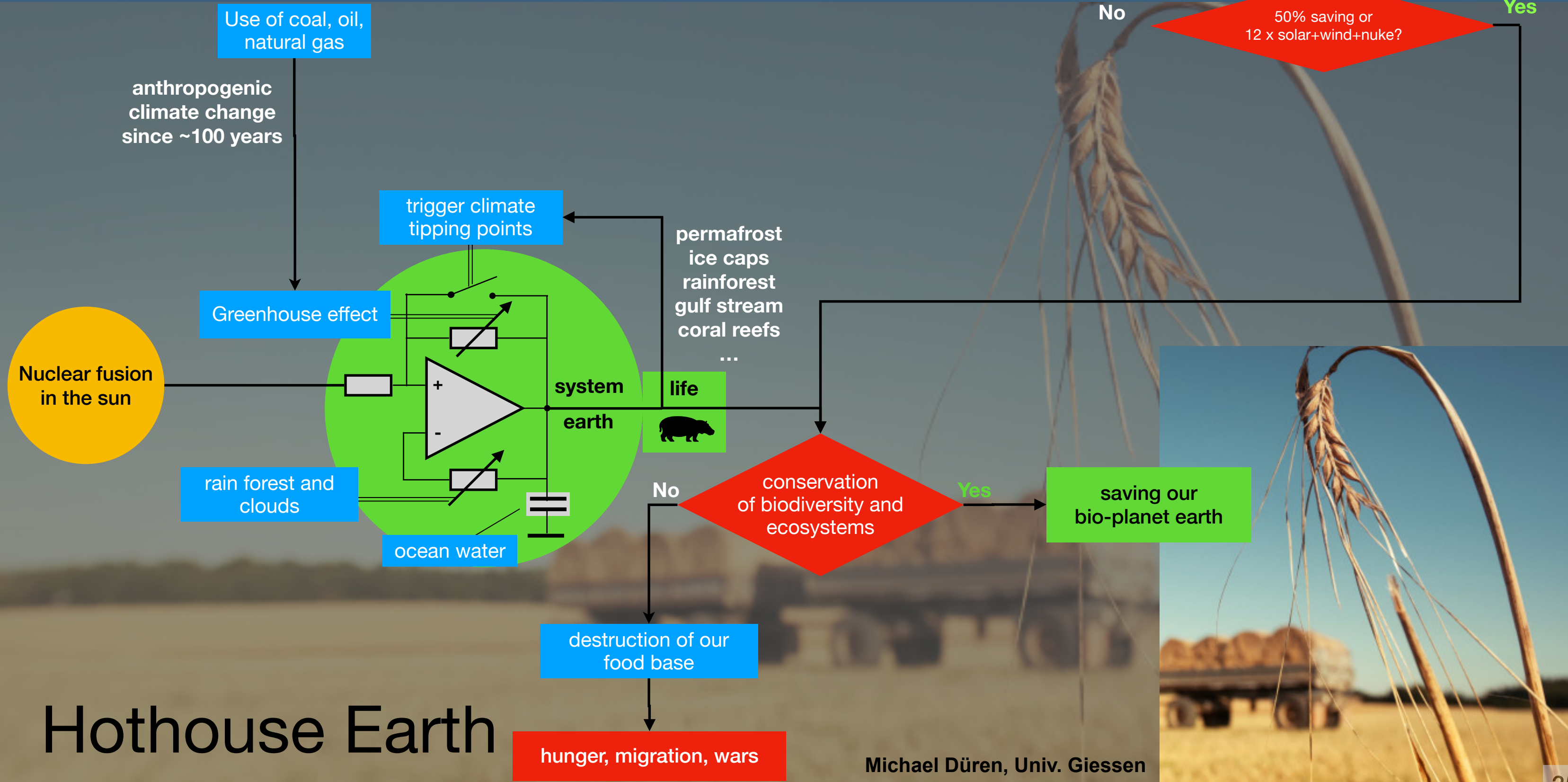


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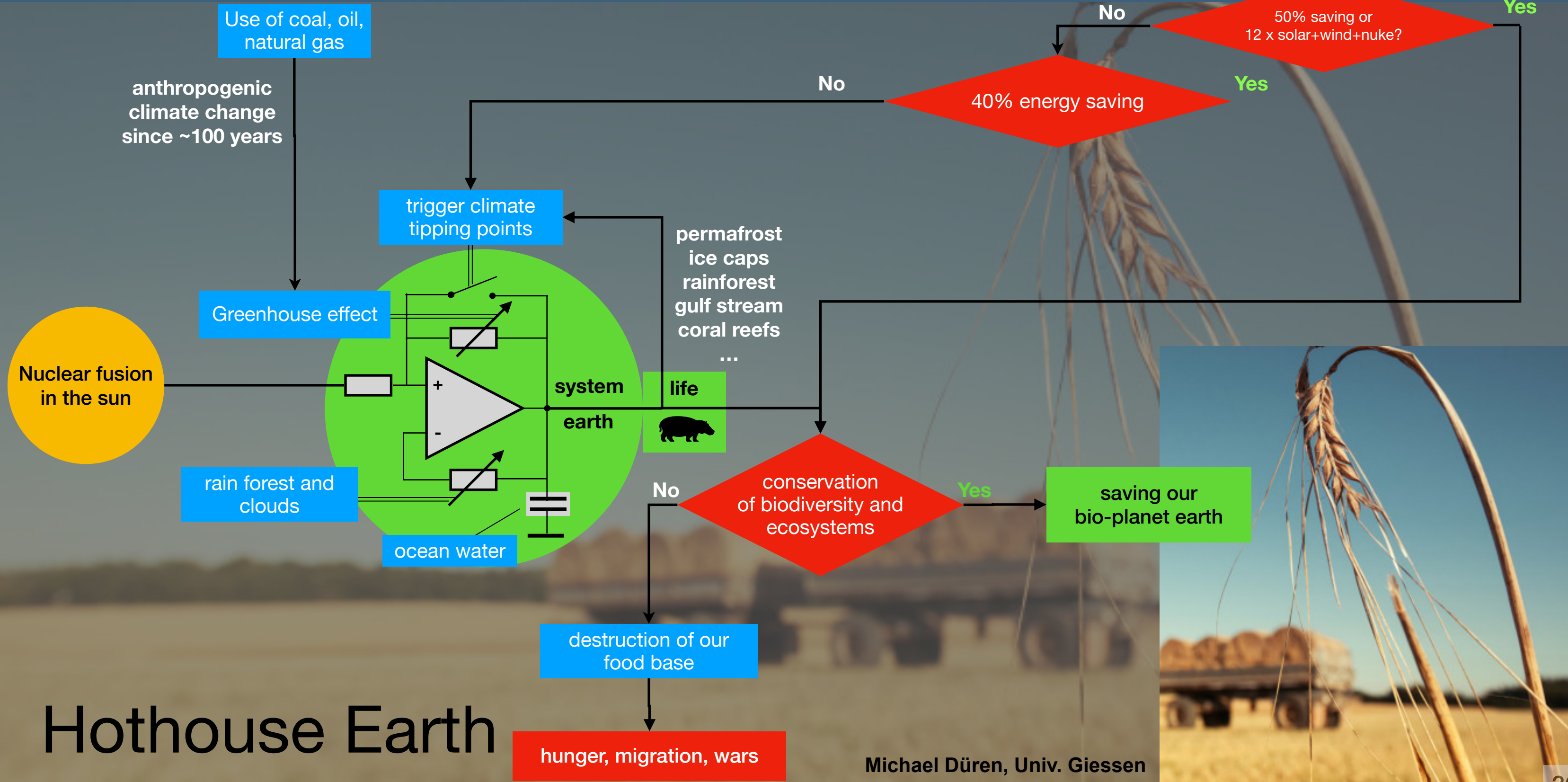
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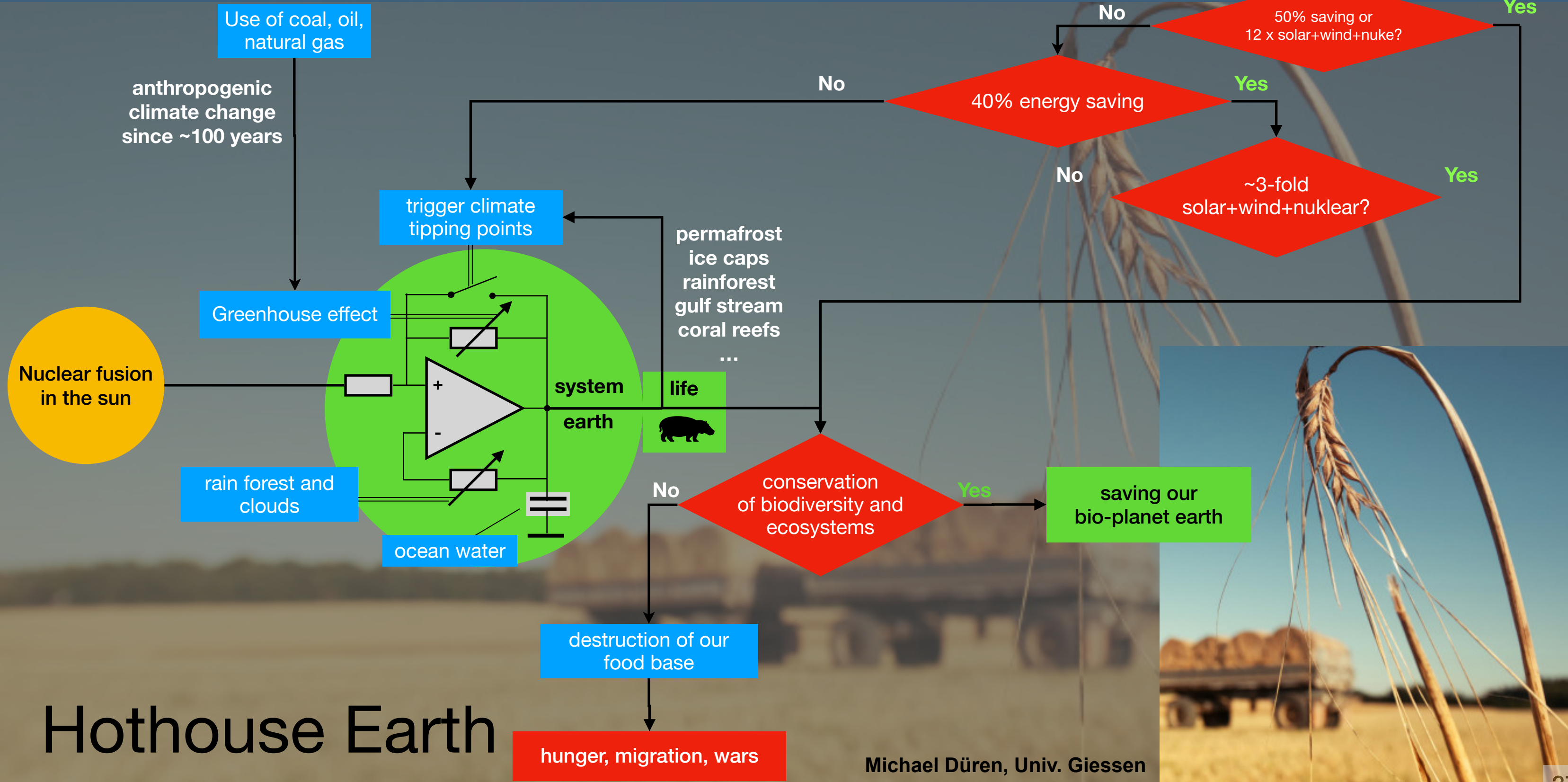
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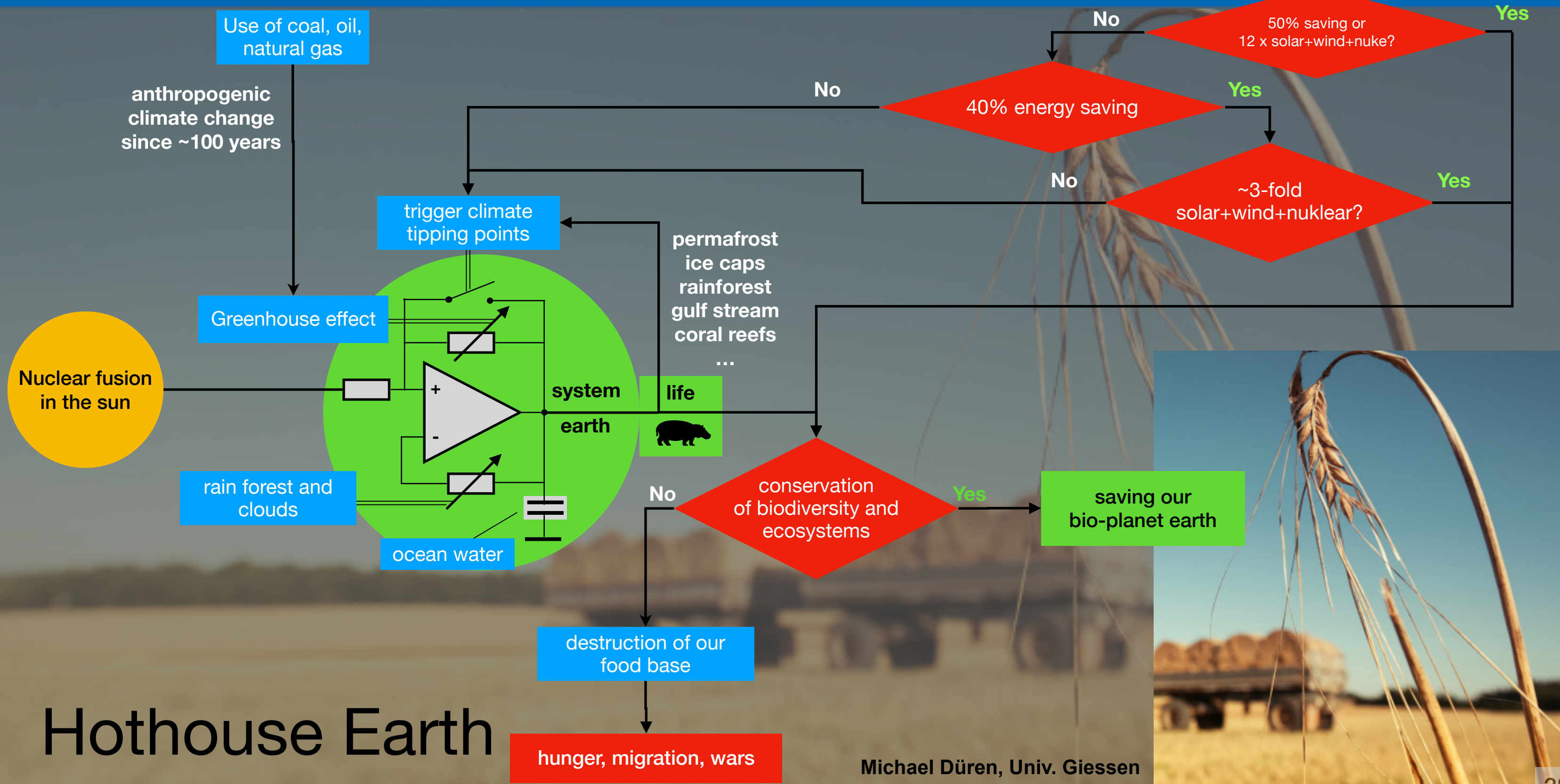
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# Conclusion: Sorry, we're f\*cked

A few degrees make the difference



Australia, March 2023



Thailand, June 2023



Life → death

Texas, July 2023

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## Recommendations – Impelling Positive Change



### Individual actions:

„You and me“

- 



### Further group actions:

„Collaborations and projects“

- 



### Further institutional actions:

„Universities, CERN, ...“

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### Individual actions:

- Consider the environmental impact of work practices.
- Be proactive in seeking best practice.
- Make and model positive change in research activities.
- Drive positive group and institutional actions.

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### Further group actions:

- Include critical assessment of the environmental impact of all activities during planning stages.
- Monitor, assess, report on and set targets in relation to the environmental impacts of research activities.
- Drive institutional actions, and encourage, support and incentivise individual actions, e.g., through training.

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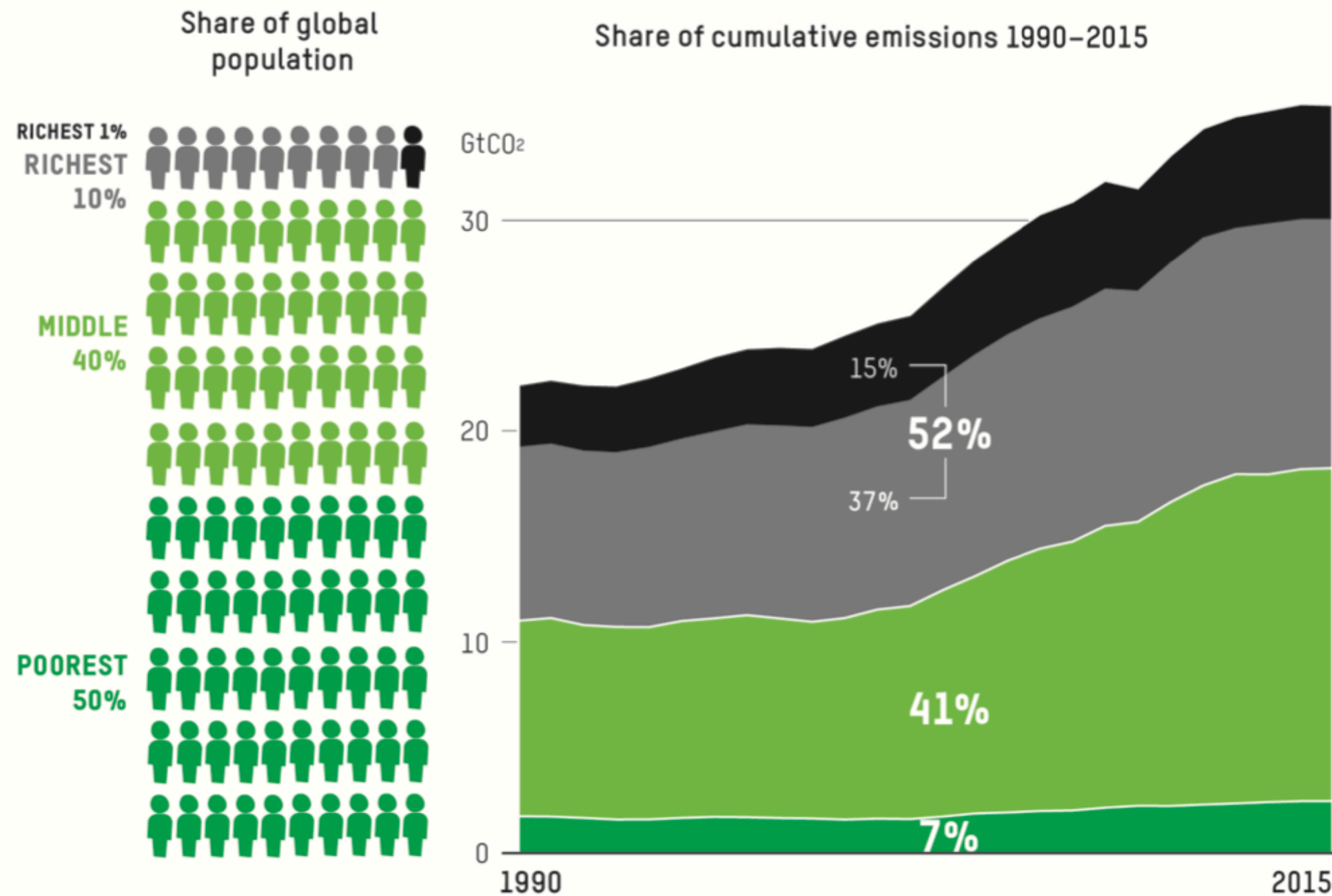
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### Further institutional actions:

- Require funding applications to outline plans for monitoring, reporting and minimising adverse environmental impacts, and for ensuring that research is undertaken in line with principles of social justice.
- Allow flexibility in policies and procedures e.g., budget allocation, that enable environmentally sustainable choices to be made.
- Ensure that degree programmes include a focus on global citizenship, encompassing environmental sustainability and associated social justice implications.
- Acknowledge focus on environmental sustainability and social justice in the accreditation of degrees by governments and professional bodies.
- Encourage, support and incentivise individual and group actions, e.g., by considering them in professional development and appraisal processes.

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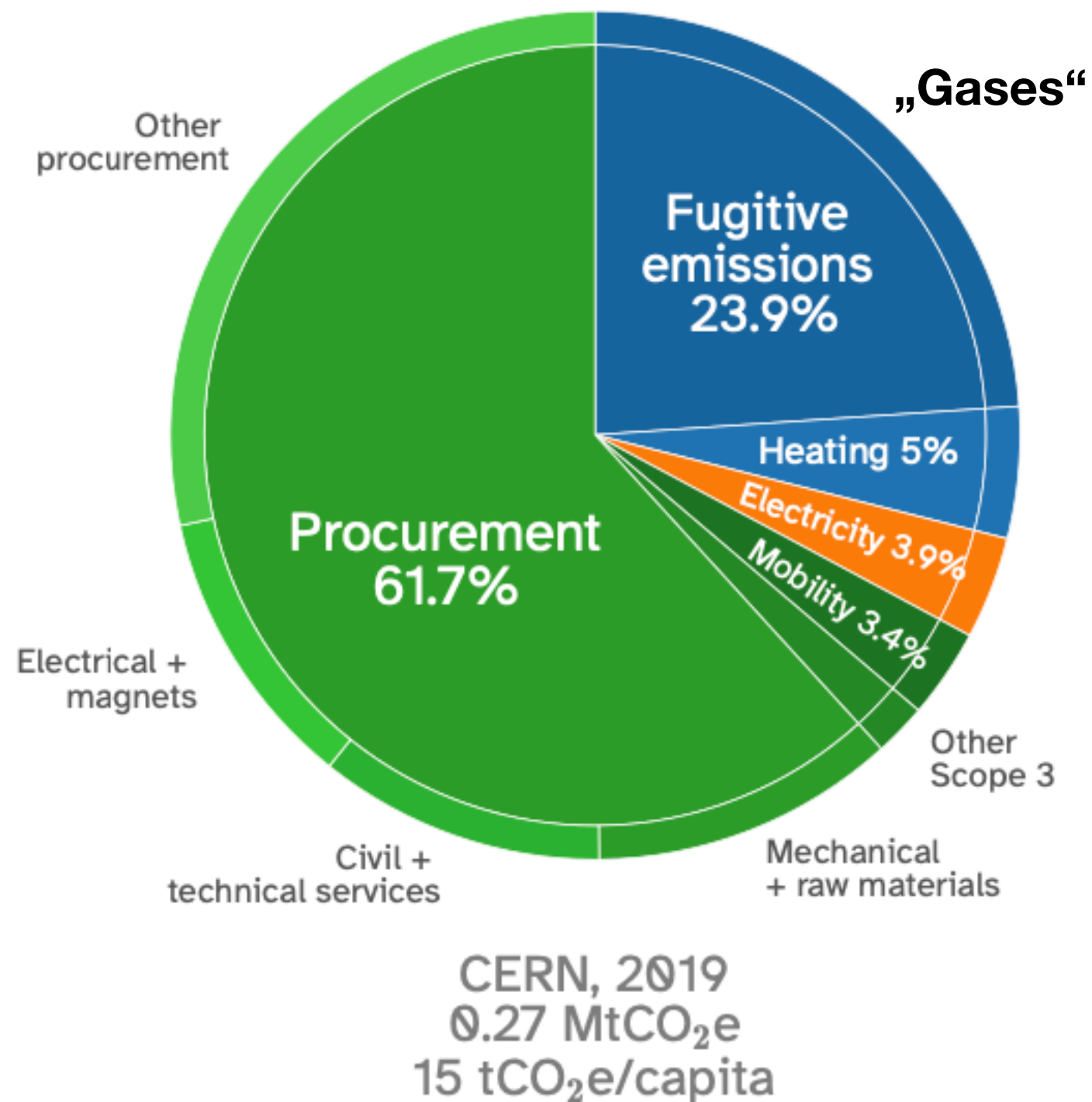
## „Our“ emissions

10% richest people (>2800€/month)

cause

52% of emissions

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## „CERN“ emissions

## CO<sub>2</sub>-equivalence

during LHC shut-down (2019)

### Carbon footprint:

Scope 1 = direct emission (e.g. fossil heating)

Scope 2 = indirect emission (electricity)

Scope 3 = purchase materials, services, ...

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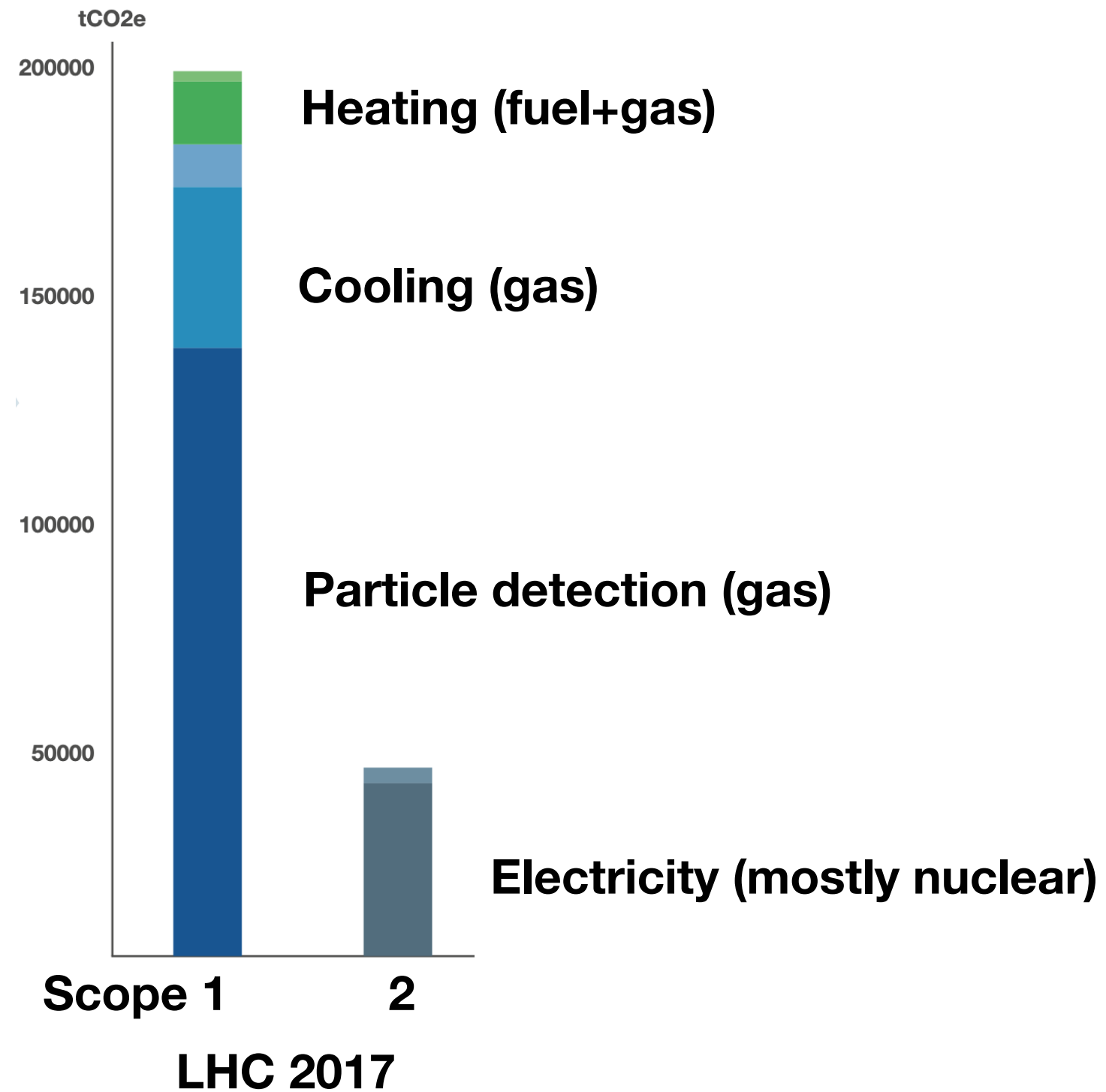
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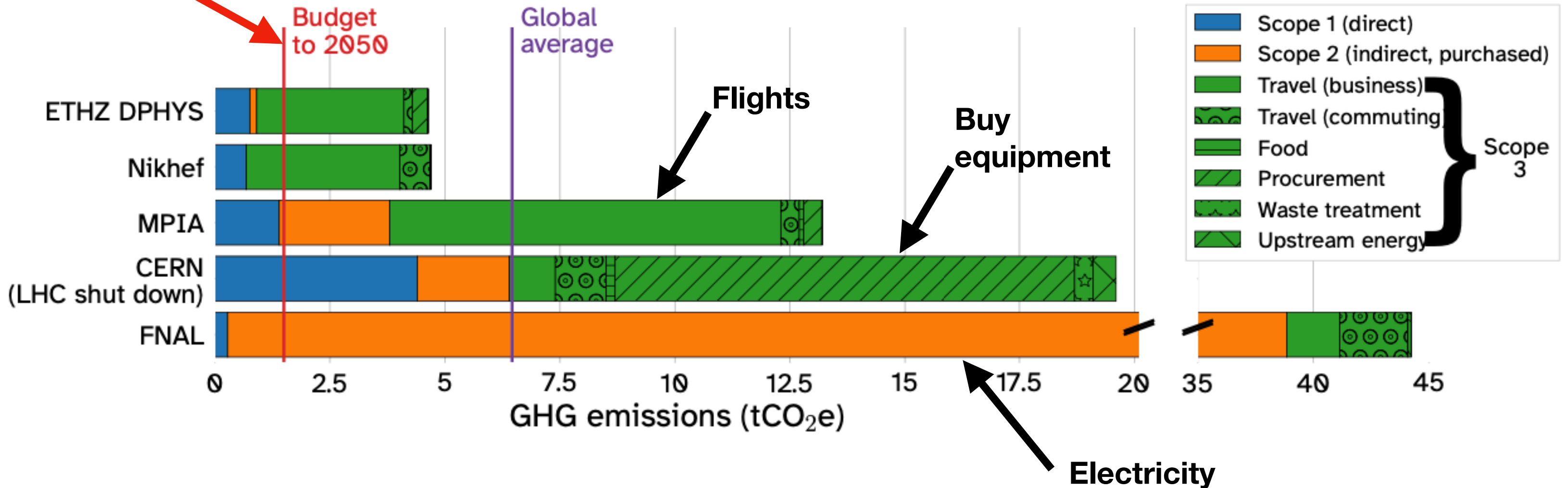
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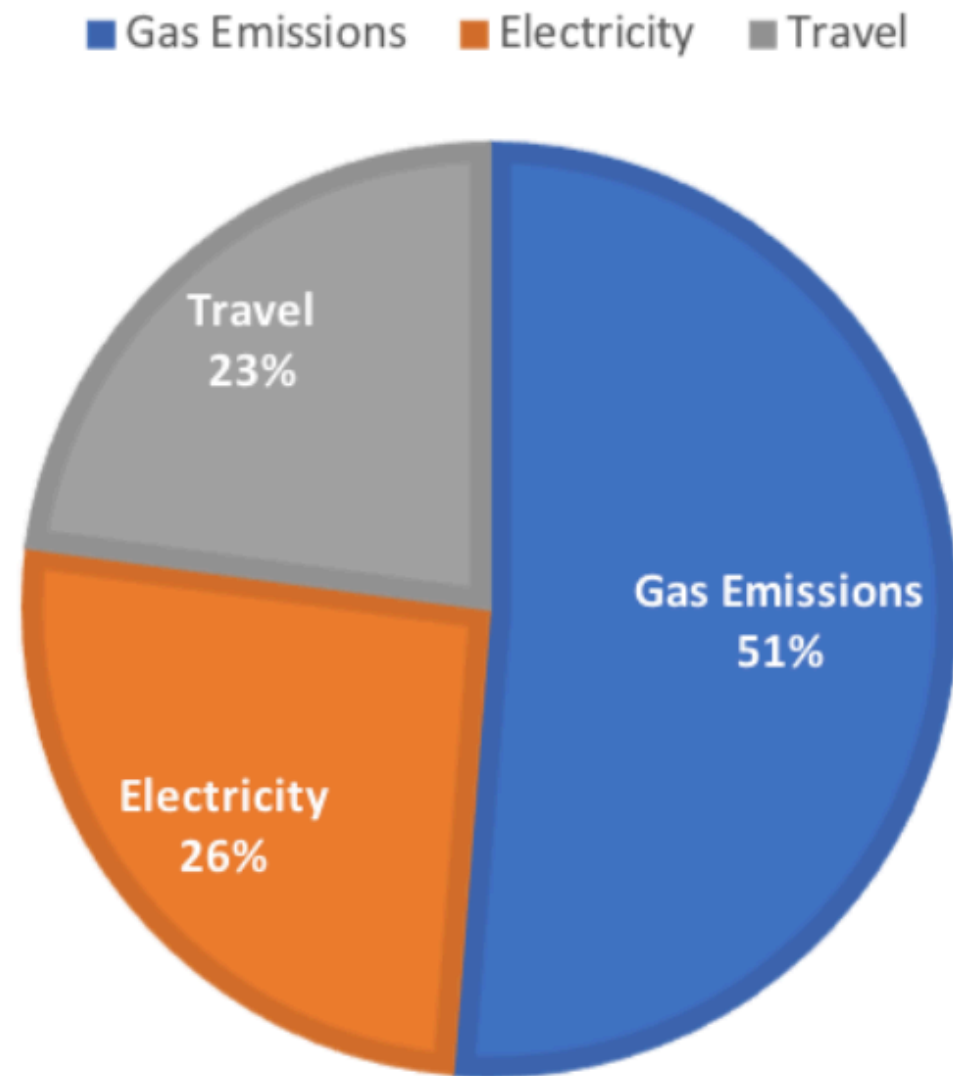
## Self-reported annual workplace emissions, per researcher



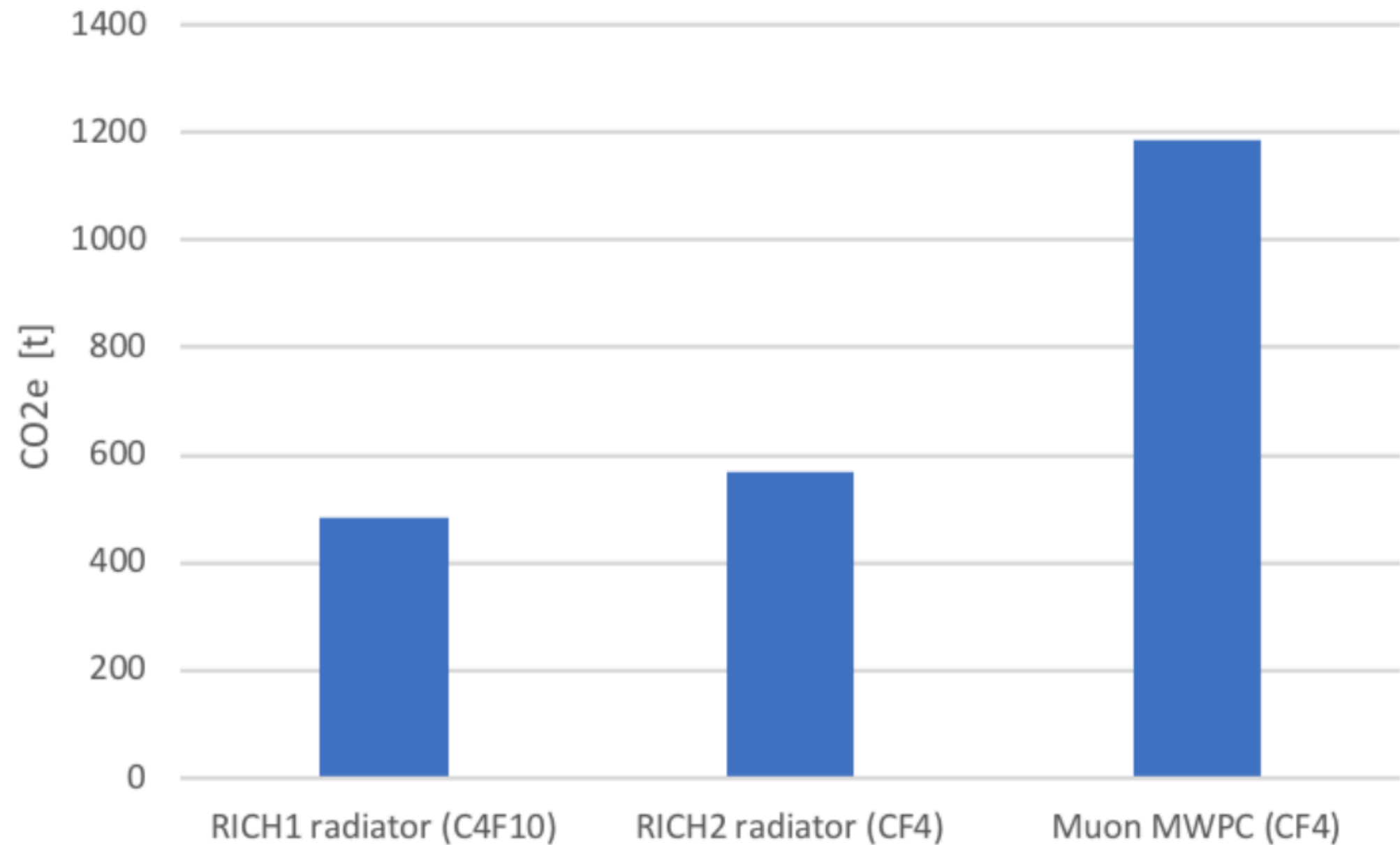
## Physicist's emissions



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**LHCb: Run 3 emissions**



**leaking gases ...**

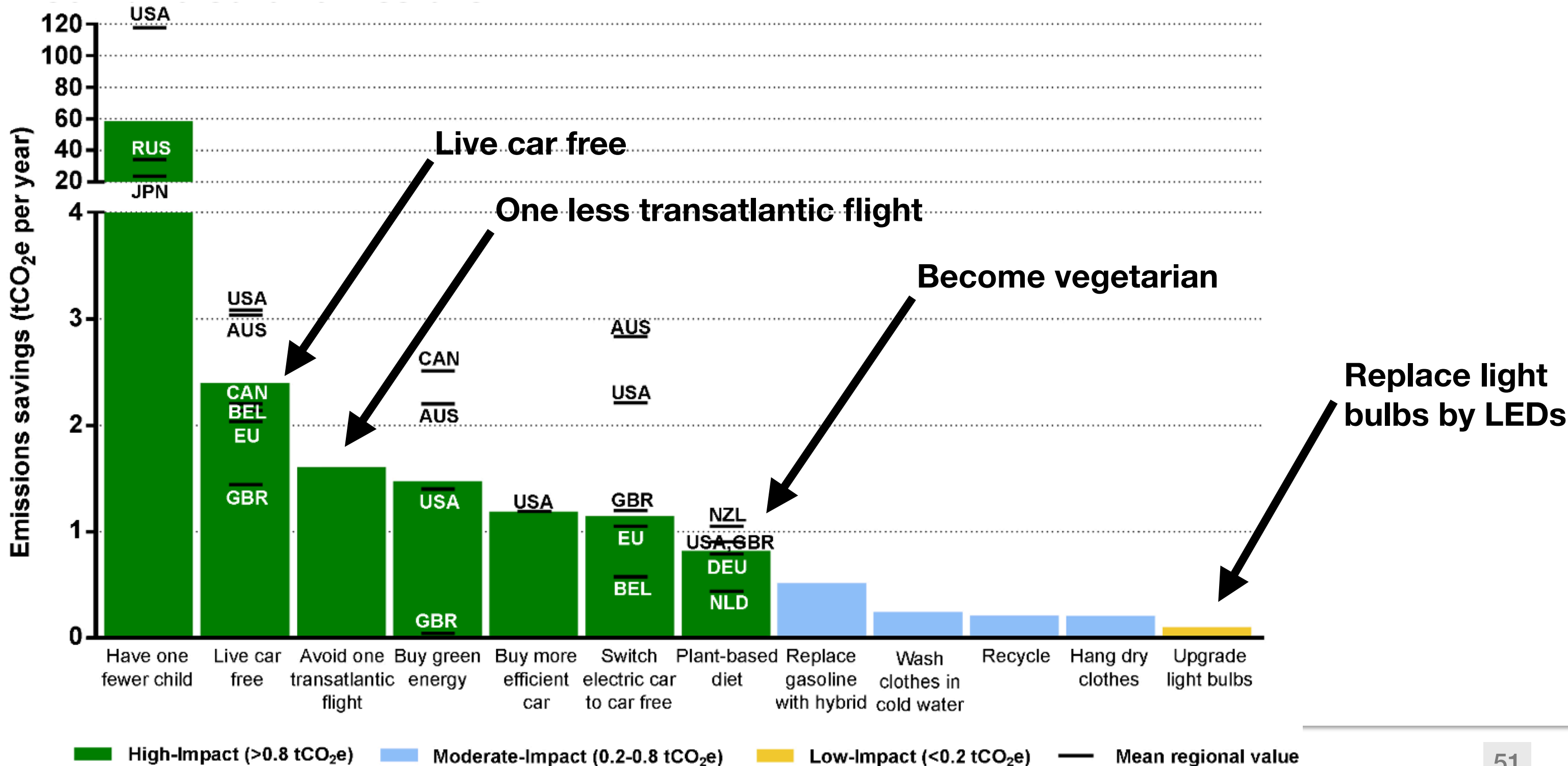
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| Name                      | Chemical Formula                             | Lifetime [years] | Global warming potential (GWP) [100-yr time horizon] |
|---------------------------|--|------------------|--|
| Carbon dioxide            | CO <sub>2</sub>                              | -                | 1  |
| Dimethylether             | CH <sub>3</sub> OCH <sub>3</sub>             | 0.015            | 1  |
| Methane                   | CH <sub>4</sub>                              | 12               | 25   |
| Sulphur hexafluoride      | SF <sub>6</sub>                              | 3,200            | 22,800   |
| Hydrofluorocarbons (HFCs) |  |                  |  |
| HFC-23                    | CHF <sub>3</sub>                             | 270              | 14,800   |
| HFC-134a                  | C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>2</sub> F <sub>4</sub> | 14               | 1,430  |
| Perfluorocarbons (PFCs)   |  |                  |  |
| PFC-14                    | CF <sub>4</sub>                              | 50,000           | 7,390  |
| PFC-116                   | C <sub>2</sub> F <sub>6</sub>                | 10,000           | 12,200   |
| PFC-218                   | C <sub>3</sub> F <sub>8</sub>                | 2,600            | 8,830  |
| PFC-3-1-10                | C <sub>4</sub> F <sub>10</sub>               | 2,600            | 8,860  |
| PFC-5-1-14                | C <sub>6</sub> F <sub>14</sub>               | 3,200            | 9,300  |

**Global warming potential of greenhouse gases**

**Table 6.2:** Environmental impact associated with GHGs, from Ref. [218], which also forms the source for the calculations in the CERN environmental report and the EU regulations described in Ref. [219].

# Personal Emissions (Plot deleted from HECAP+ paper)



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## Mitigation potential of energy-related options to 2030

Potential contribution to net emission reduction GtCO<sub>2</sub>e/yr

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7

Lowest costs and highest potential

Wind energy  
Solar energy

Nuclear energy

Bioelectricity

Hydropower

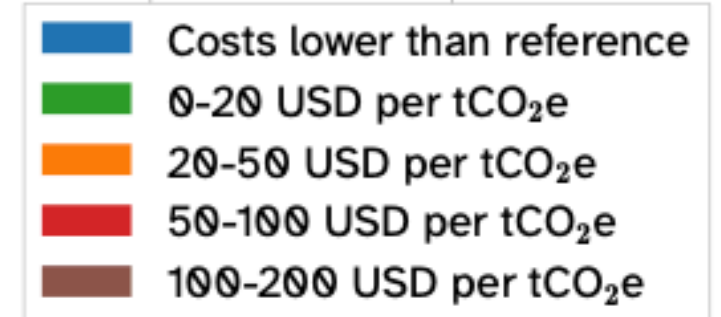
Geothermal energy

Carbon capture and storage (CCS)

Bioelectricity with CCS

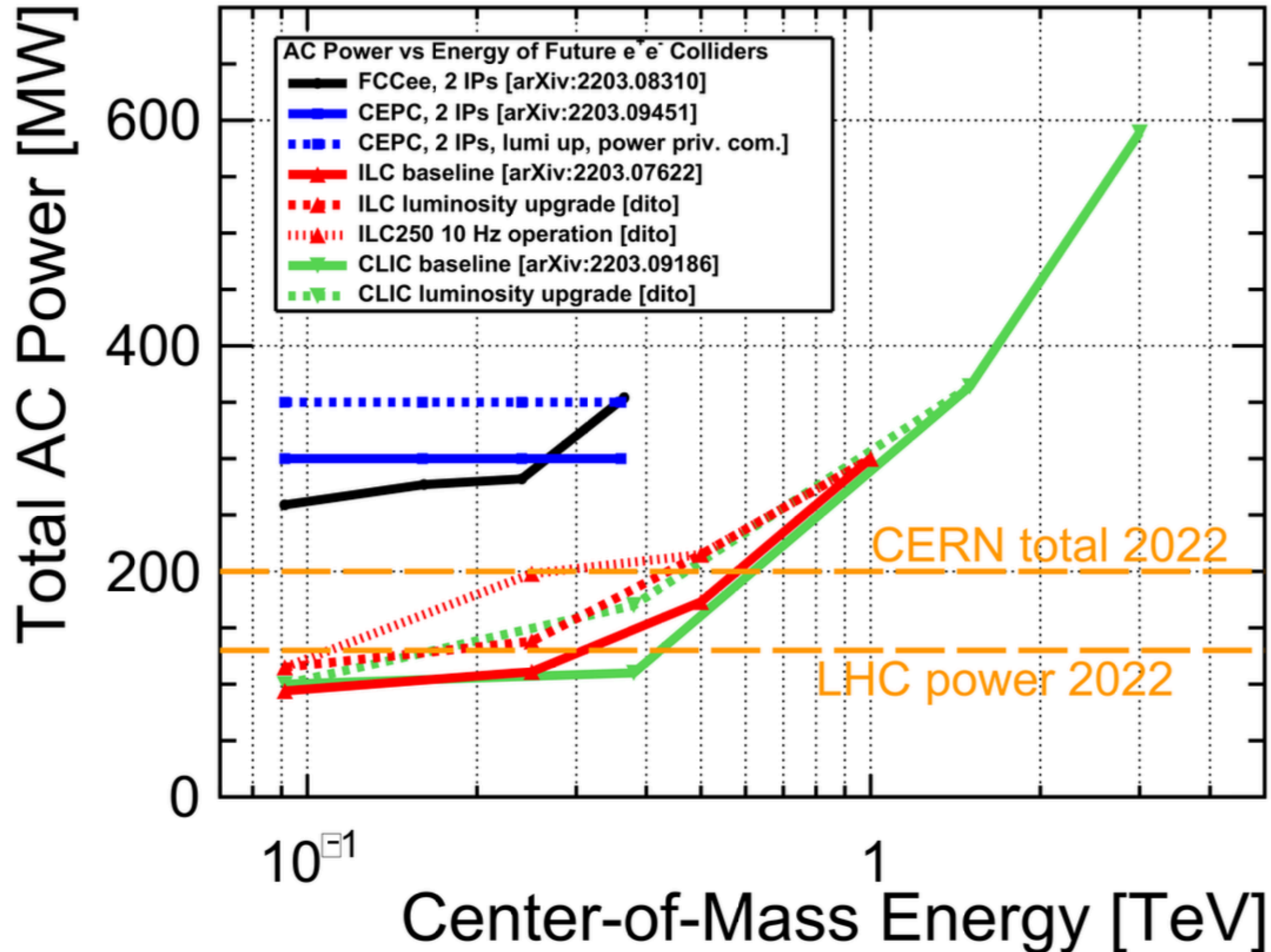
Reduce CH<sub>4</sub> emission from coal mining

Reduce CH<sub>4</sub> emission from oil and gas



Costs calculated with respect to conventional power generation; mitigation potential assessed with respect to current policy reference scenarios. For all measures save emissions reductions, the cost categories are indicative, and estimates depend heavily on factors such as geographical location, resource availability and regional circumstances. Relative potentials and costs will vary across countries and in the longer term.

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Power consumption of CERN, LHC and future colliders

# CERN-Link

**Proposal:**  
**Power line exclusively for international research:**

**3.6 GW (day)**  
**2.2 GW (night)**

**6-7 ct/kWh**  
**Stable & low costs!**

Ref: Thesis J. Hampf

**Power from hydrogen has  
2-3 x higher costs!**

**To be initiated by  
CERN, HGF, Universities, ... ?**

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# HVDC Connector Tunesien - Italy (Sicilia)



European Network of Transmission System Operators for Electricity

EU Project history:

TYNDP  
2012

TYNDP  
2014

TYNDP  
2016

TYNDP  
2018

TYNDP  
2020

TYNDP  
2022

200 km    400 kV    600 MW

600 M€

Funding EBRD, EU Grant, KfW

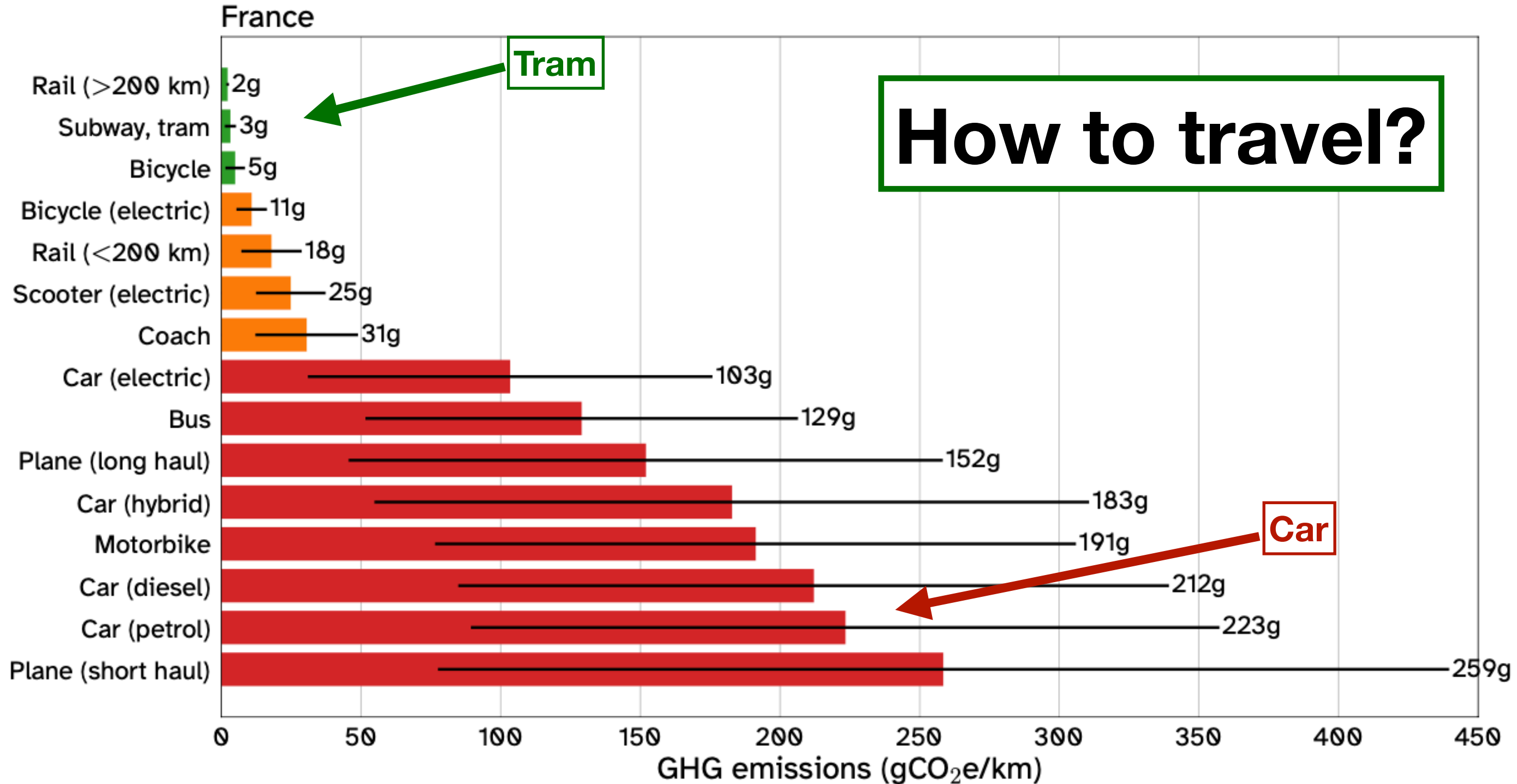
Application deadline: June 30, 2023

Commissioning 2028



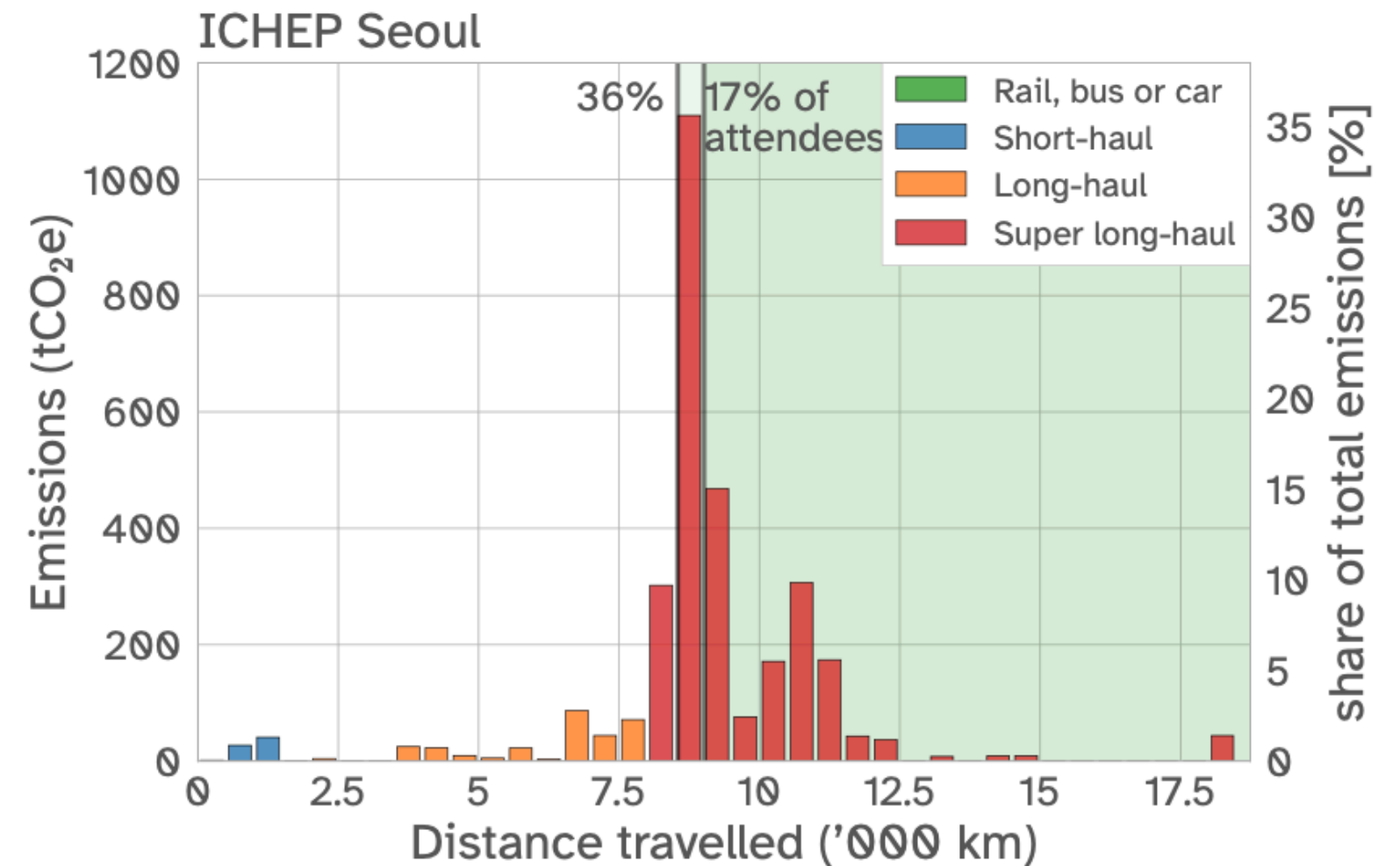
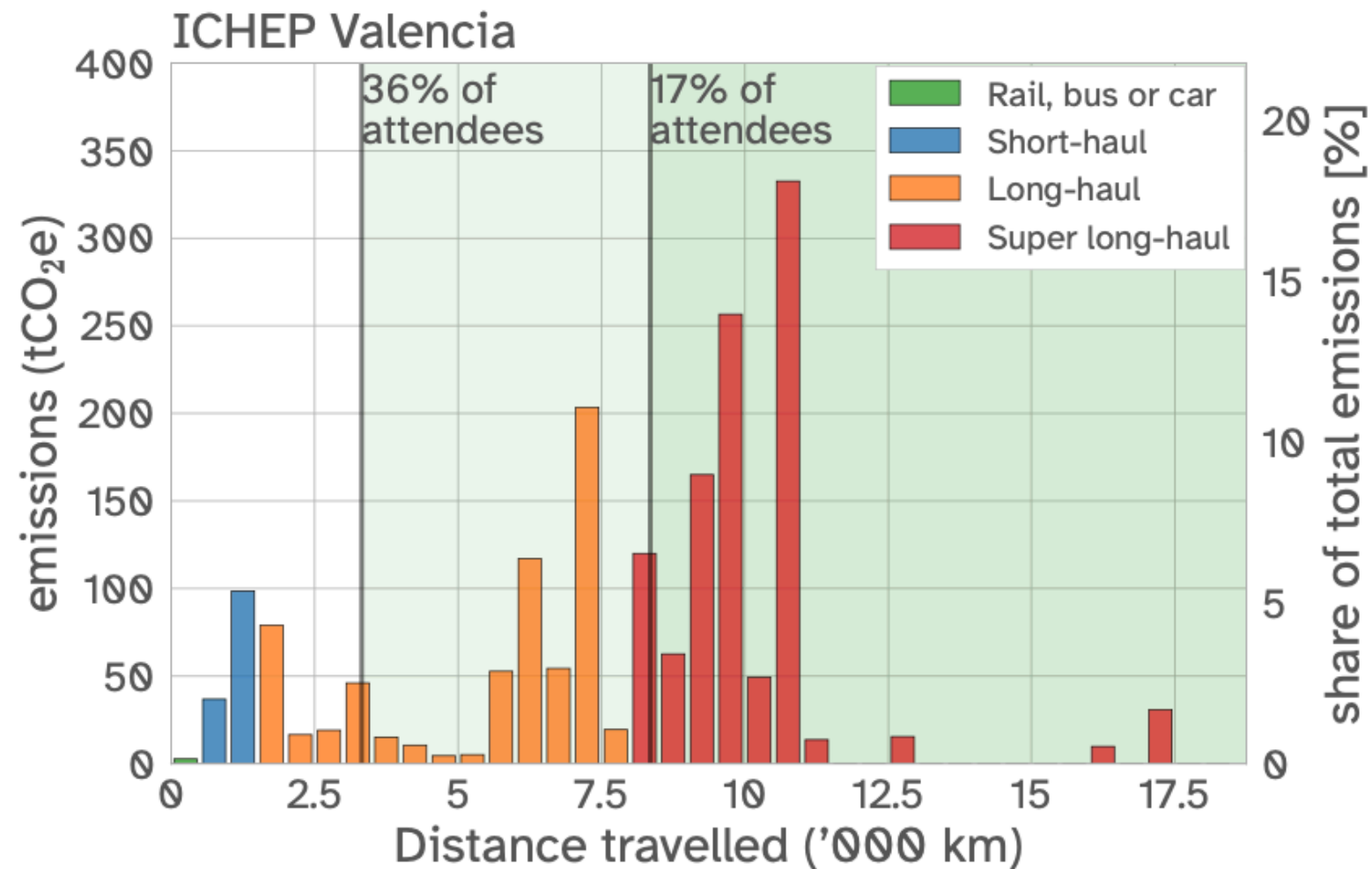
# Option 3: What to do and what to avoid?

Mobility emissions per passenger km, linear scale



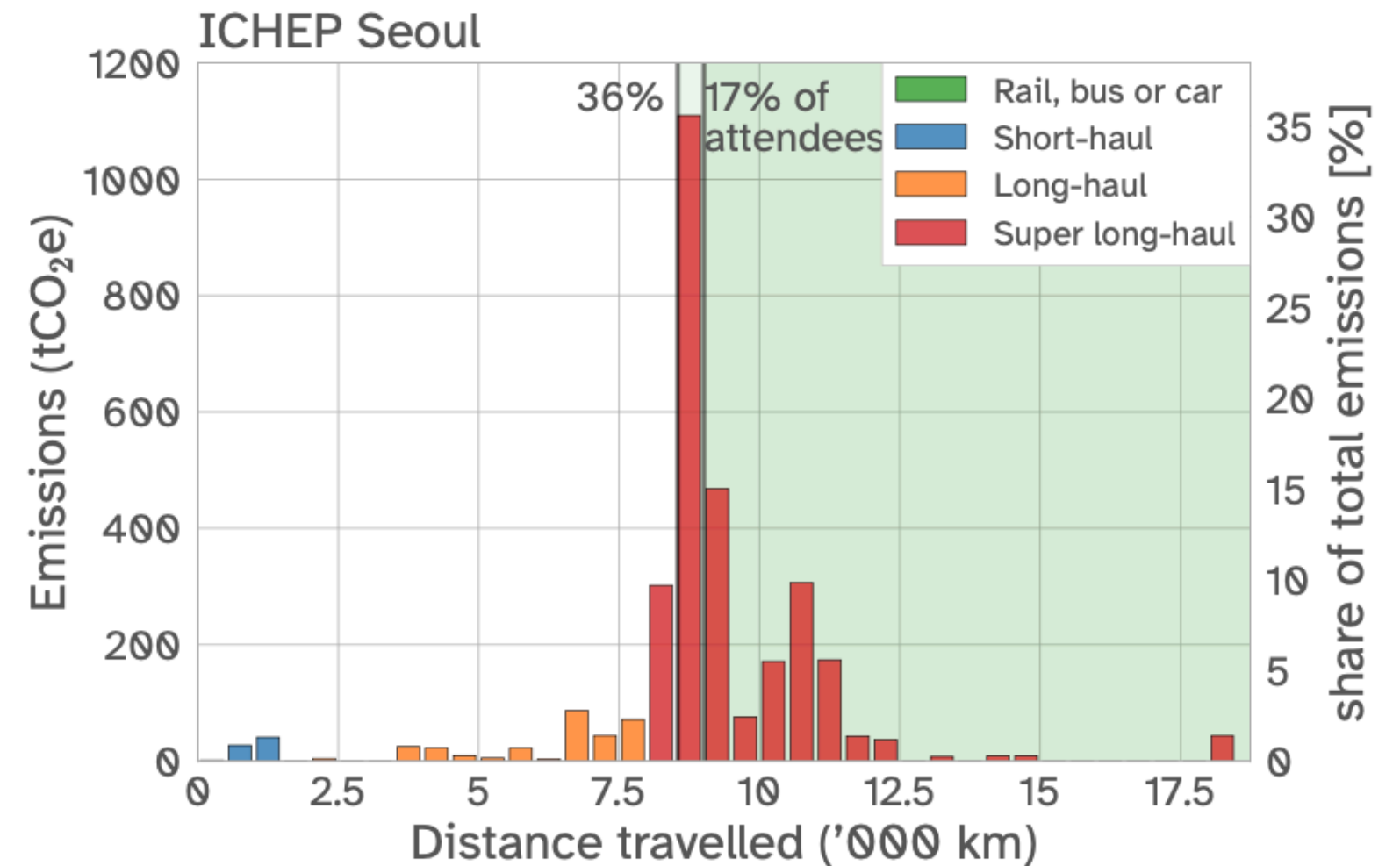
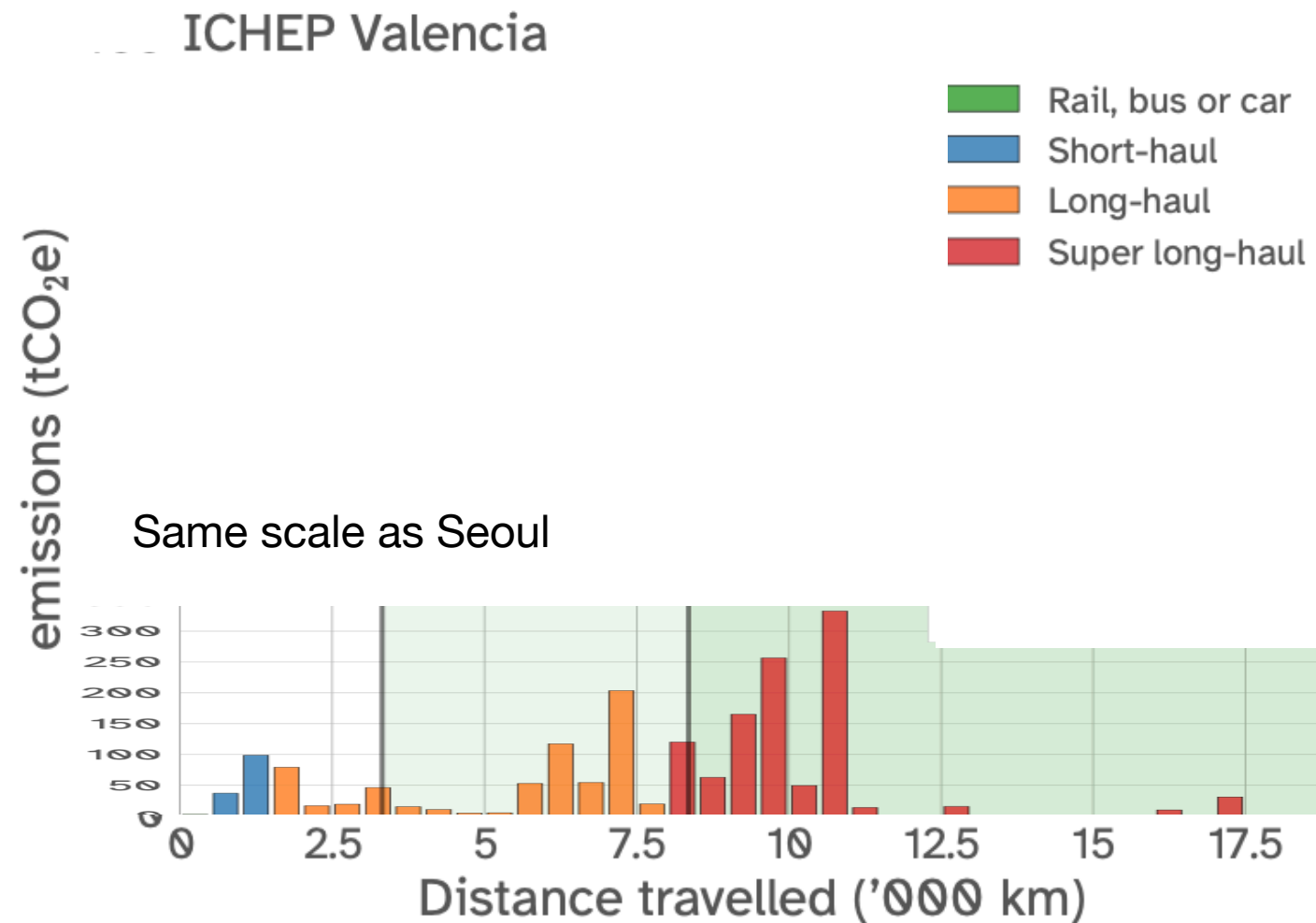


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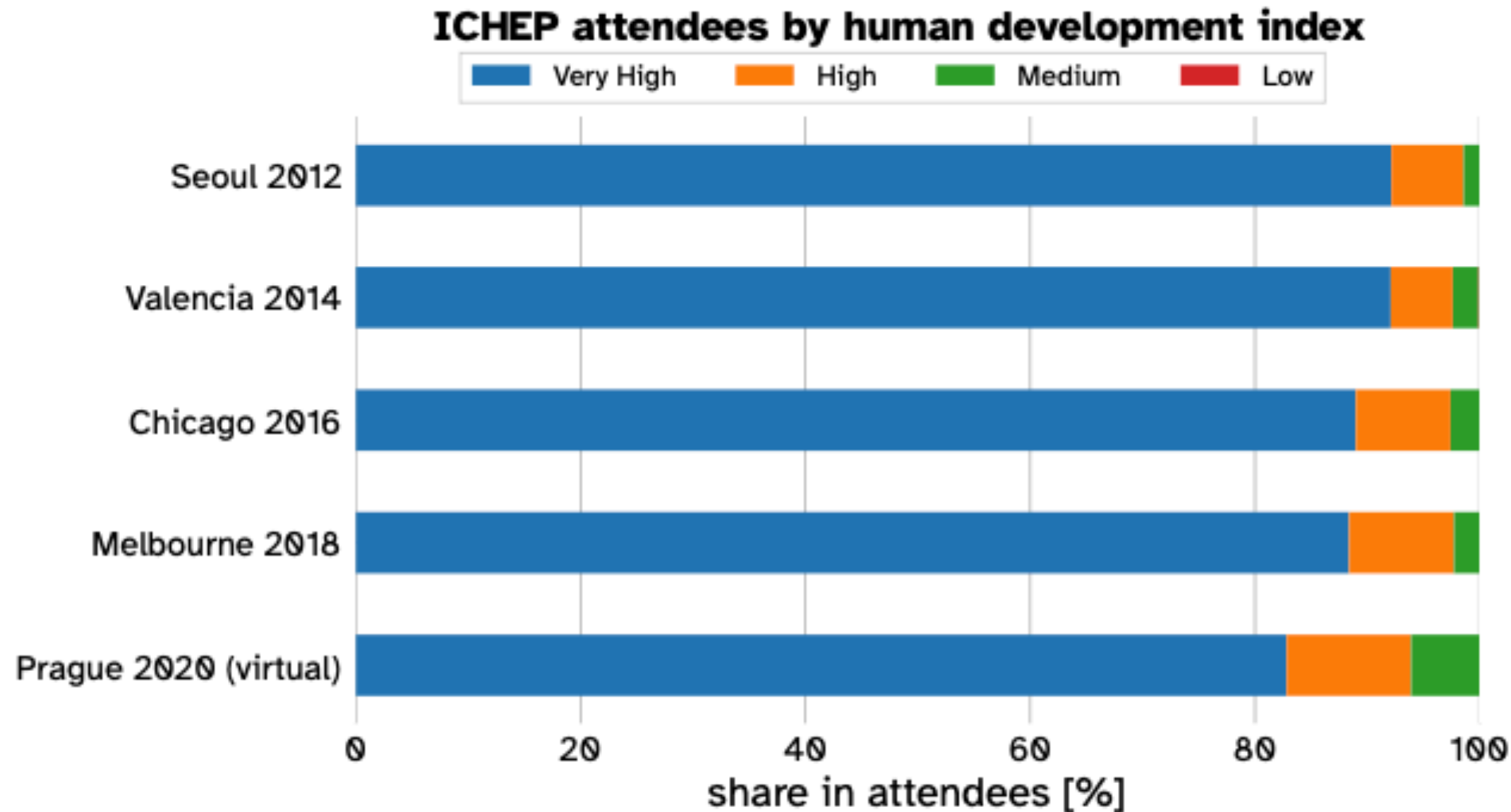
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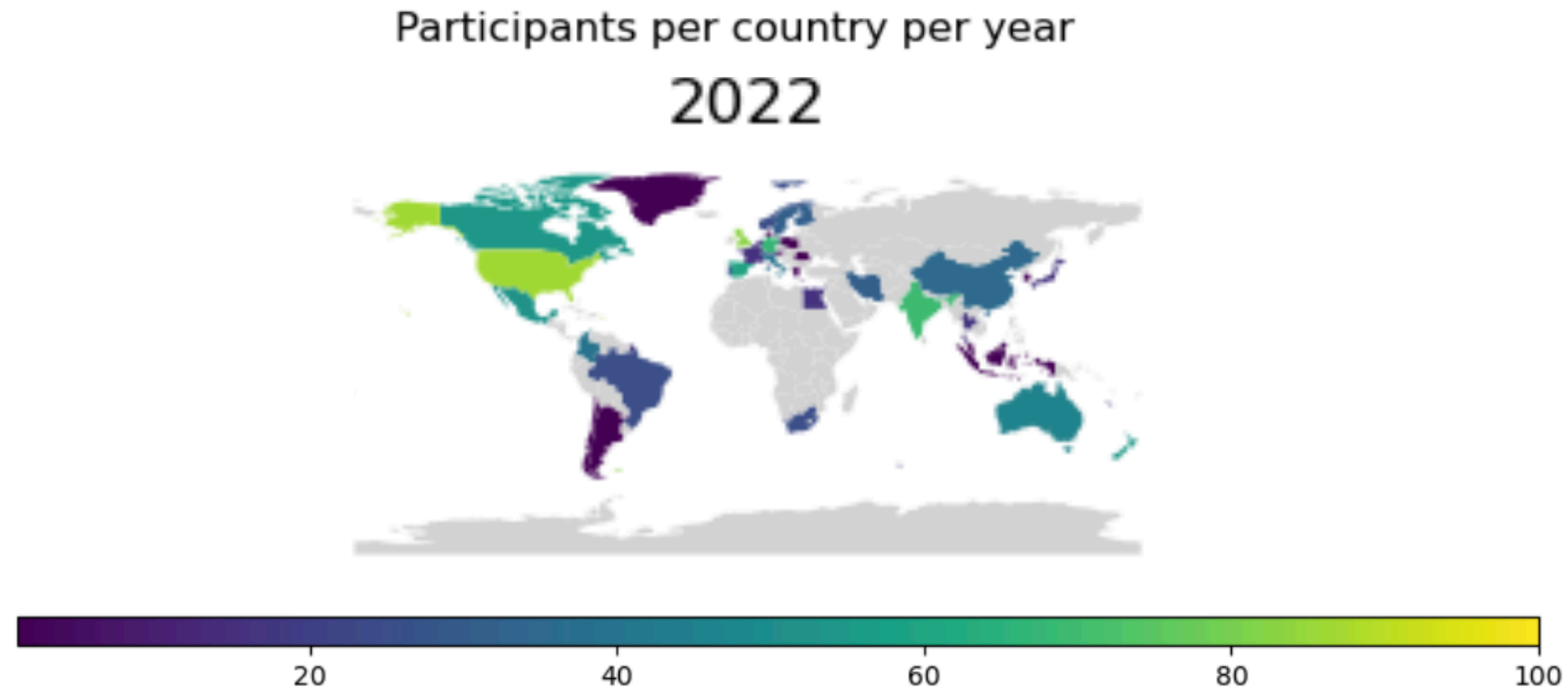
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**Conferences for rich institutions**

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**Figure 5.4:** Geographical distribution of Cosmology from Home participants for each of the installments by year.

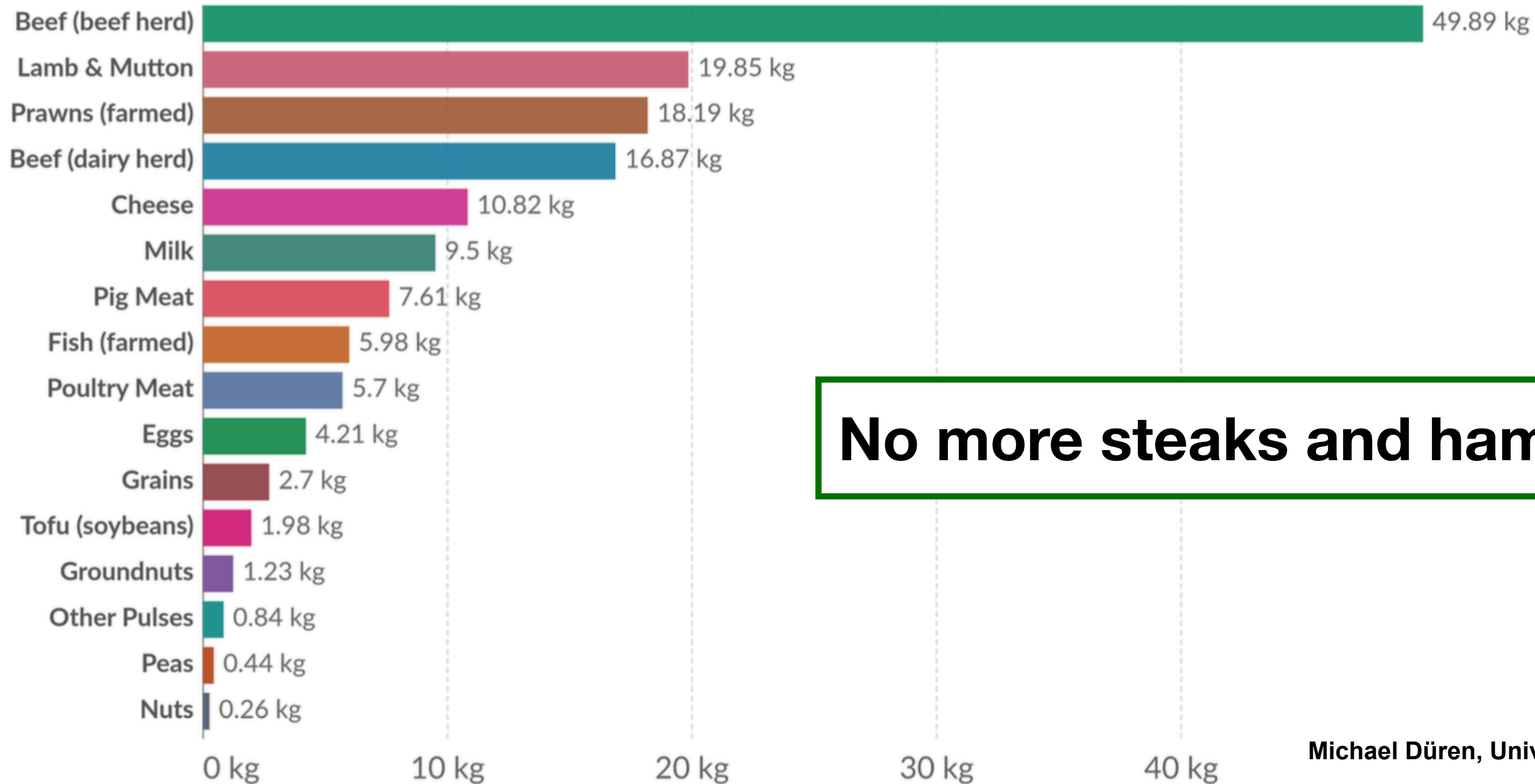
**„Cosmology from Home“:  
an online conference that includes all researchers**

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## Greenhouse gas emissions per 100 grams of protein

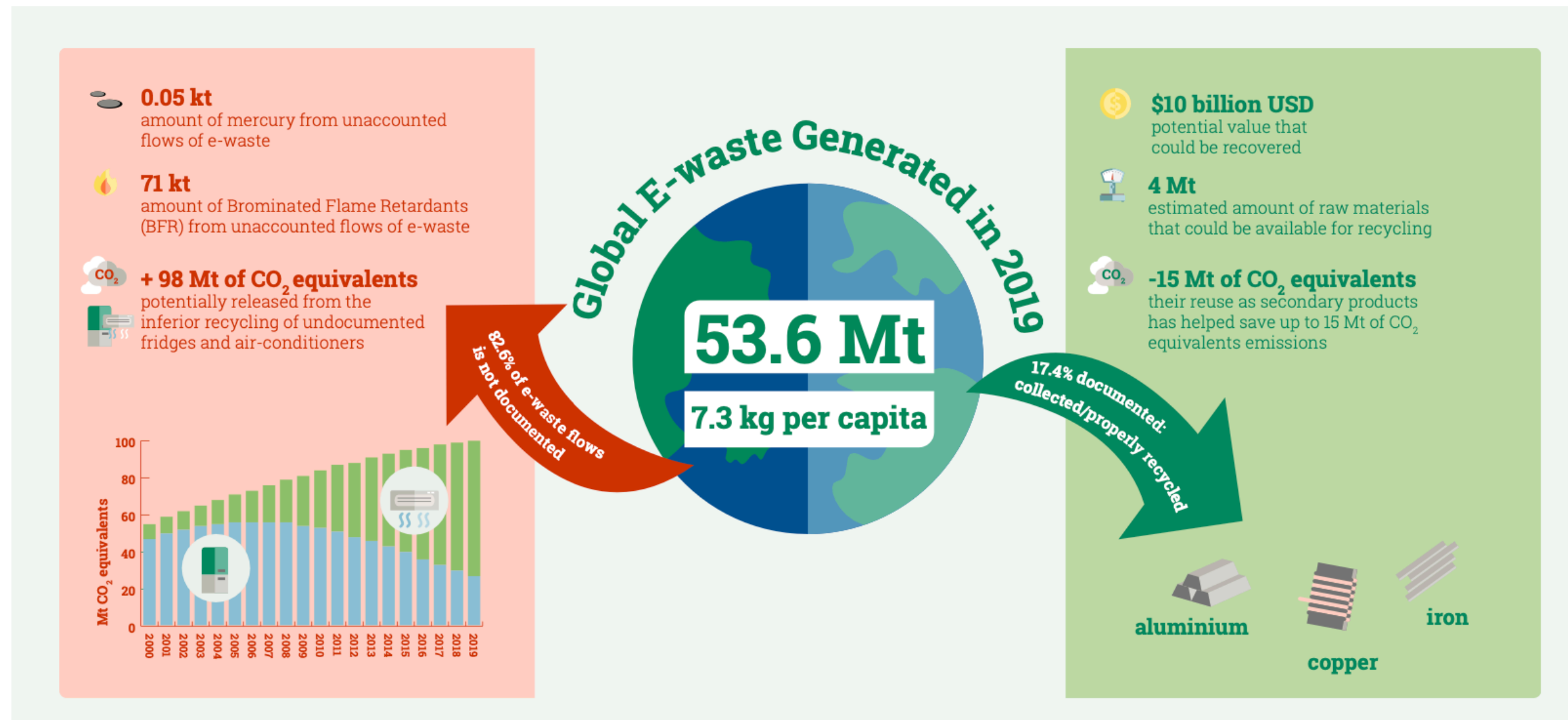
Our World  
in Data

Emissions are measured in carbon dioxide equivalents (CO<sub>2</sub>eq). This means non-CO<sub>2</sub> gases are weighted by the amount of warming they cause over a 100-year timescale.



**No more steaks and hamburgers?**

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**Importance of**  
**Re-use**  
**Re-pair**  
**Re-cycle**

## Manufacturers:

Build devices from standardised modules that can be repaired easily

## Research institutions:

Have a pool of devices that can be used by many groups

# The global energy gap

## Options for computing:

### 1. Expand CO<sub>2</sub>-free energies

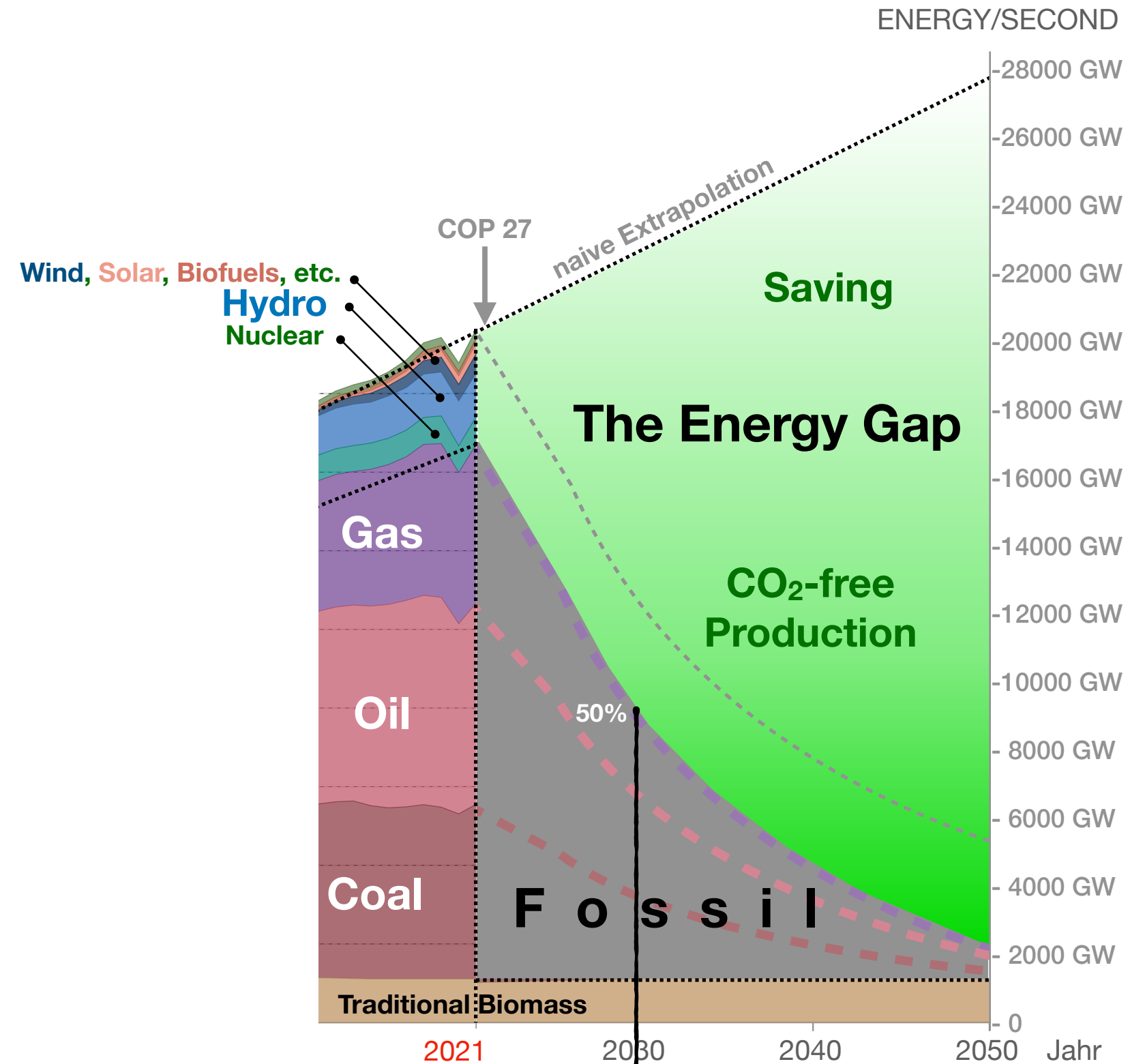
Renewable power for computing: processors and cooling;  
Consider district heating and site selection;  
Job scheduling according to energy availability; ...

### 2. Increase energy efficiency

Optimised processors (clocks, GPUs),  
architecture, cooling system,  
software, quantum computing?, ...

### 3. Save energy

Prioritise research questions 😞;  
Optimise debugging, statistics and precision;  
Modular and reusable software;  
Modular and repairable hardware, reduce purchases;  
...



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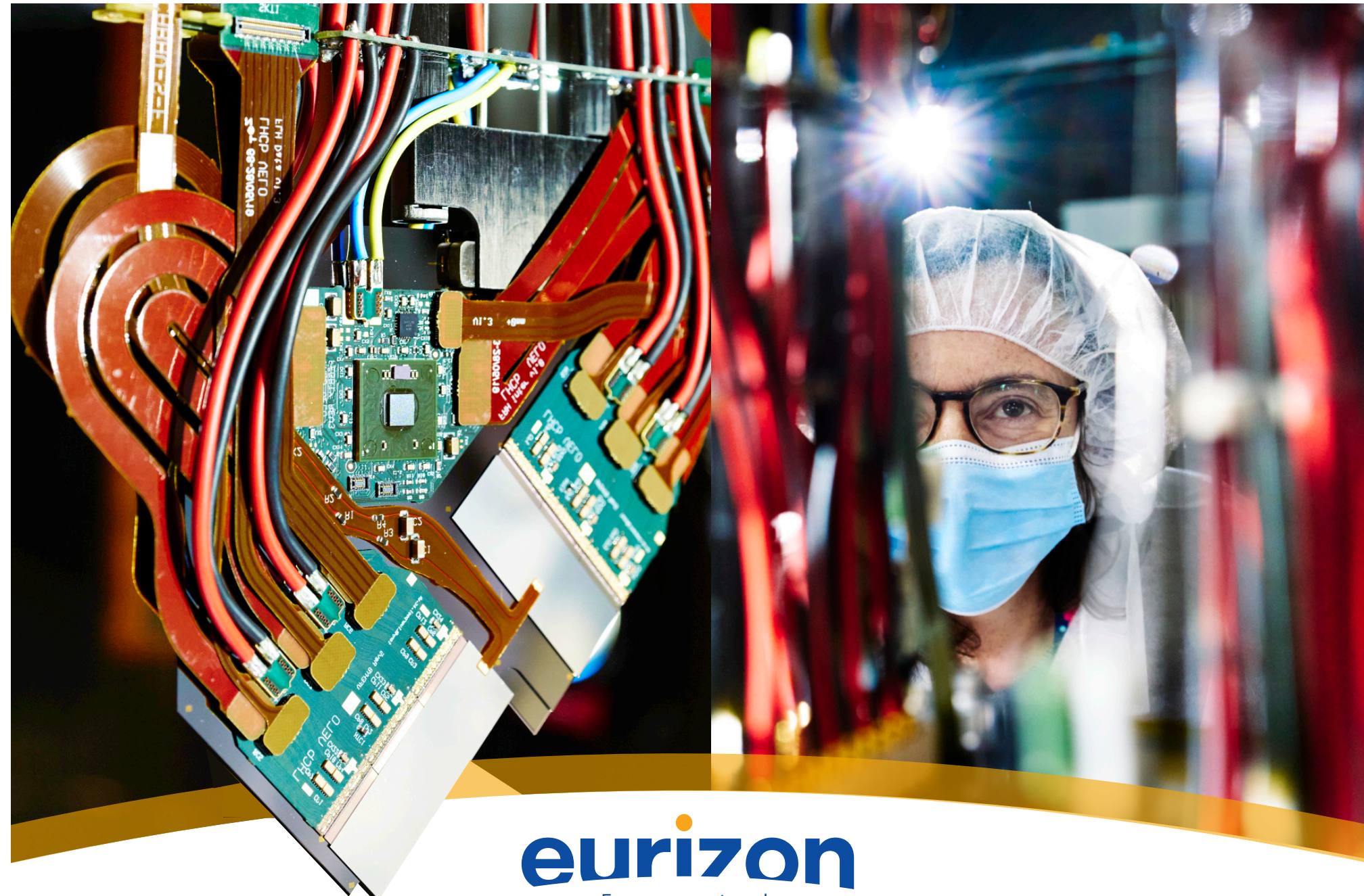
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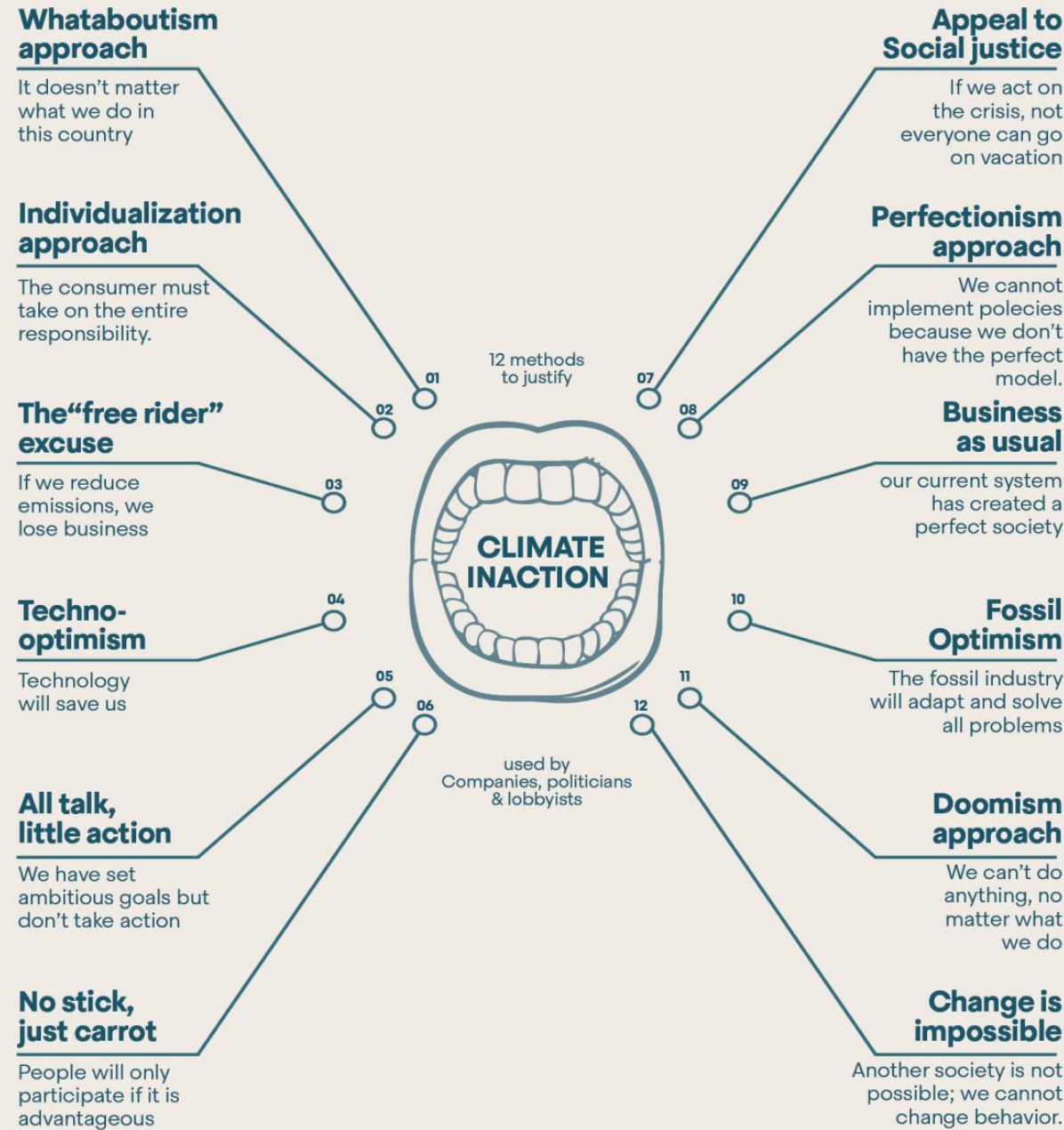
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# Backup

# FROM CLIMATE CHANGE DENIAL TO CLIMATE CHANGE DELAY

Companies, politicians & lobbyists use these 12 methods to justify inaction, by focusing on the possible negative social effects of climate policies and raise doubt that mitigation is possible.



Source: Lamb, W., Mattioli, G., Levi, S., Roberts, J., Capstick, S., Creutzig, F., . . . Steinberger, J. (2020).

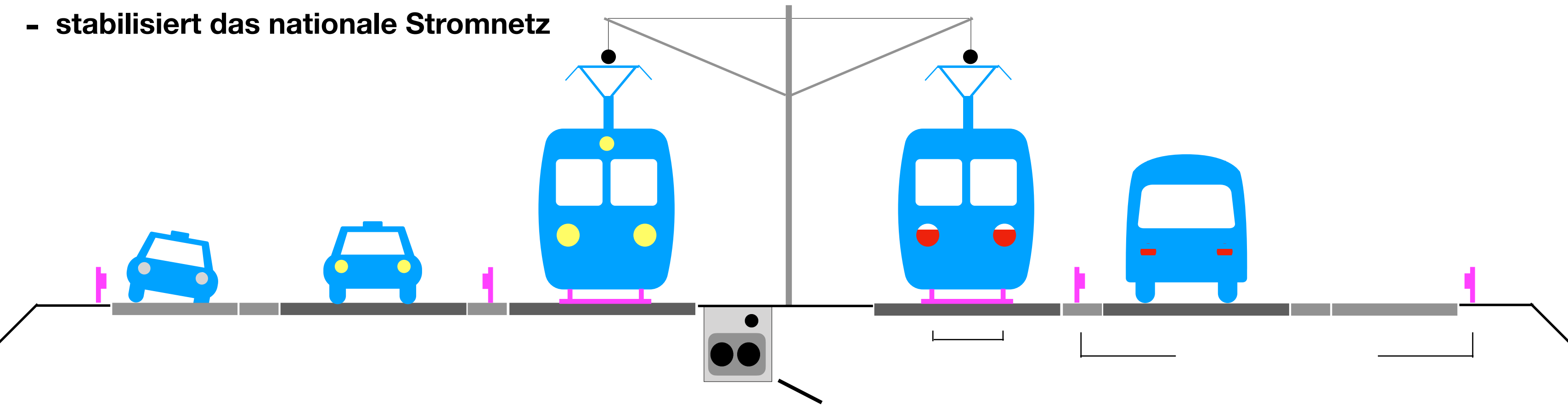
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# Management unseres Planeten: Verkehr

## Schnellstraßenbahn auf der Auto-Bahn

- mehr Komfort als Autos: fährt „on Demand“ von Stadtteil zu Stadtteil und Dorf zu Dorf
- 130 km/h ohne Zwischenhalt auf Autobahnen
- kein neuer Flächenverbrauch
- stabilisiert das nationale Stromnetz



[Global direct primary energy consumption](https://ourworldindata.org/grapher/global-primary-energy)

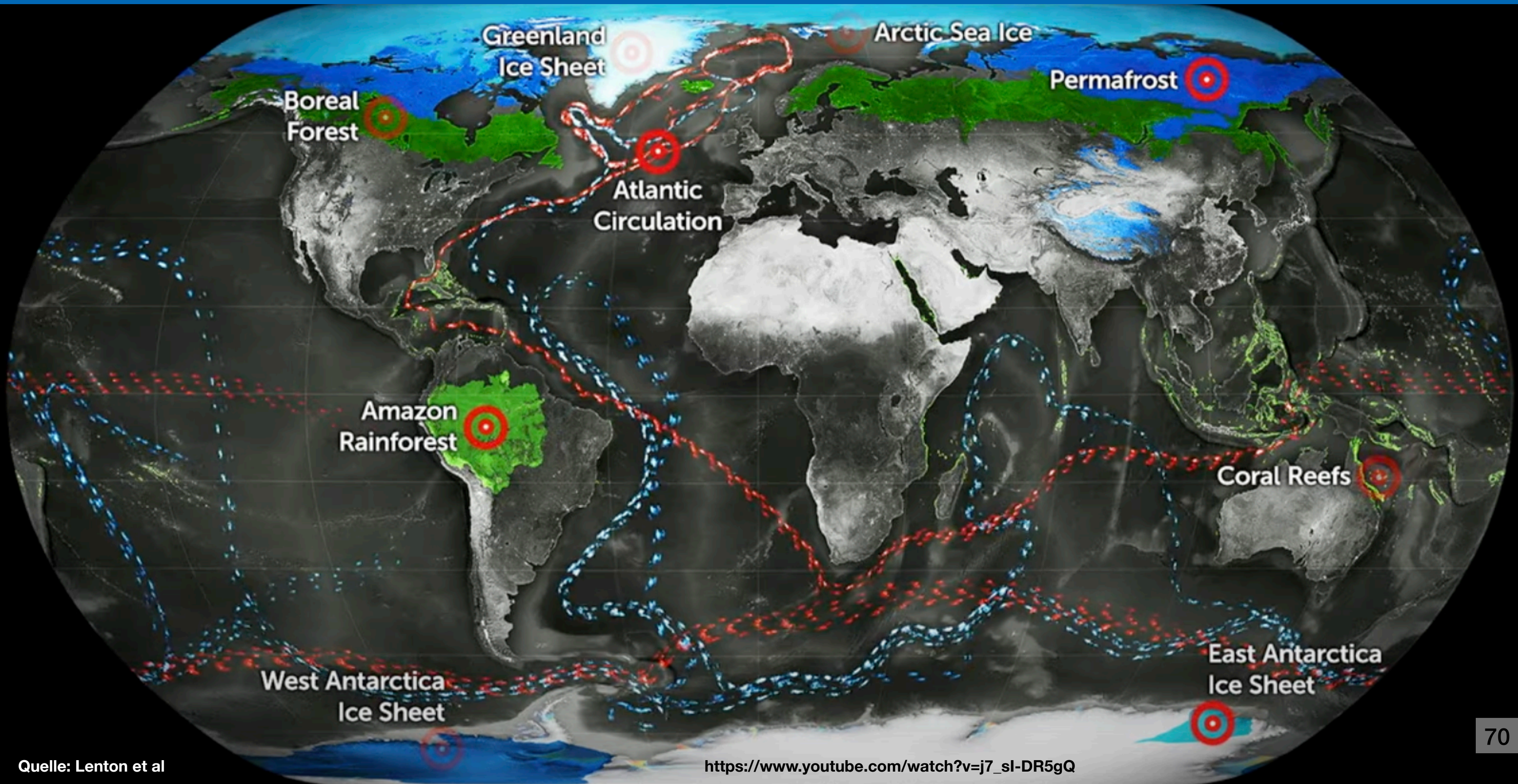
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Input from Our World in Data

# Direkt

|                                 | convert       | TWh/Jahr | in GW        | 0,11416 |                |              |                              |               |               |                             |               |               |              |
|---------------------------------|---------------|----------|--------------|---------|----------------|--------------|------------------------------|---------------|---------------|-----------------------------|---------------|---------------|--------------|
| <b>Input für 2021</b>           | <b>TWh/a</b>  |          | <b>GW</b>    |         |                |              |                              |               |               |                             |               |               |              |
| bio                             | 1140          |          | 130          |         |                |              |                              |               |               |                             |               |               |              |
| other                           | 763           |          | 87           |         |                |              |                              |               |               |                             |               |               |              |
| solar                           | 1033          |          | 118          |         |                |              |                              |               |               |                             |               |               |              |
| wind                            | 1862          |          | 213          |         |                |              |                              |               |               |                             |               |               |              |
| hydro                           | 4274          |          | 488          |         |                |              |                              |               |               |                             |               |               |              |
| nuclear                         | 2800          |          | 320          |         |                |              |                              |               |               |                             |               |               |              |
| gas                             | 40375         |          | 4609         |         |                |              |                              |               |               |                             |               |               |              |
| oil                             | 51170         |          | 5841         |         |                |              |                              |               |               |                             |               |               |              |
| coal                            | 44473         |          | 5077         |         |                |              |                              |               |               |                             |               |               |              |
| traditional                     | 11111         |          | 1268         |         |                |              |                              |               |               |                             |               |               |              |
| <b>Sum</b>                      | <b>159001</b> |          | <b>18151</b> |         | <b>50% CO2</b> |              | <b>50% CO2, 12x CO2-free</b> |               |               | <b>50% CO2, 3x CO2-free</b> |               |               |              |
| same as above but grouped:      |               |          |              |         | <b>Factor</b>  | <b>2030</b>  | <b>GW</b>                    | <b>Factor</b> | <b>2030</b>   | <b>GW</b>                   | <b>Factor</b> | <b>2030</b>   | <b>GW</b>    |
| fossil                          | 136018        |          | 15527        |         | 0,5            | 68009        | 7764                         | 0,5           | 68009         | 7764                        | 0,5           | 68009         | 7764         |
| CO2-free w/o hydro              | 7598          |          | 867          |         | 1              | 7598         | 867                          | 12,2          | 93033         | 10620                       | 3             | 22794         | 2602         |
| rest + hydro                    | 15385         |          | 1756         |         | 1              | 15385        | 1756                         | 1             | 15385         | 1756                        | 1             | 15385         | 1756         |
| <b>Sum 2021</b>                 | <b>159001</b> |          | <b>18151</b> |         |                | <b>90992</b> | <b>10387</b>                 |               | <b>176427</b> | <b>20140</b>                |               | <b>106188</b> | <b>12122</b> |
| Extrapolated to 2030:           |               |          |              |         |                |              |                              |               |               |                             |               |               |              |
| <b>Sum 1965 (input)</b>         | <b>50571</b>  |          | 5773         |         |                |              |                              |               |               |                             |               |               |              |
| slope TWh/y or GW/y             | 1936,25       |          | 221          |         |                |              |                              |               |               |                             |               |               |              |
| <b>Sum 2030 (extrapolated)</b>  | <b>176427</b> |          | <b>20140</b> |         |                |              |                              |               |               |                             |               |               |              |
| <b>Missing Energy</b>           | <b>17426</b>  |          | <b>1989</b>  |         |                | <b>85435</b> | <b>9753</b>                  |               | <b>0</b>      | <b>0</b>                    |               | <b>70239</b>  | <b>8018</b>  |
| <b>Saving factor needed</b>     | <b>10%</b>    |          | <b>10%</b>   |         |                | <b>48%</b>   | <b>48%</b>                   |               | <b>0%</b>     | <b>0%</b>                   |               | <b>40%</b>    | <b>40%</b>   |
|                                 | 1,11          |          | 1,11         |         |                | 1,94         | 1,94                         |               | 1,00          | 1,00                        |               | 1,66          | 1,66         |
| <b>Kraftwerke pro Woche</b>     |               |          |              |         |                |              | <b>0,0</b>                   |               |               | <b>26,8</b>                 |               |               | <b>4,8</b>   |
| <b>2,5 GeV Kraftwerke/Woche</b> |               |          |              |         |                |              | <b>0,0</b>                   |               |               | <b>10,7</b>                 |               |               | <b>1,9</b>   |
|                                 |               |          |              |         |                |              | 0,40                         |               |               | 0,40                        |               |               | 0,40         |

# 9 aktive Kipp-Elemente



# 4 steps towards the speed tram

1. Bus:  
(on demand)



2. O-Bus:  
(Oberleitung)



3. Autonomous Rail Rapid Transit (ART)  
(virtuelle Schienen)

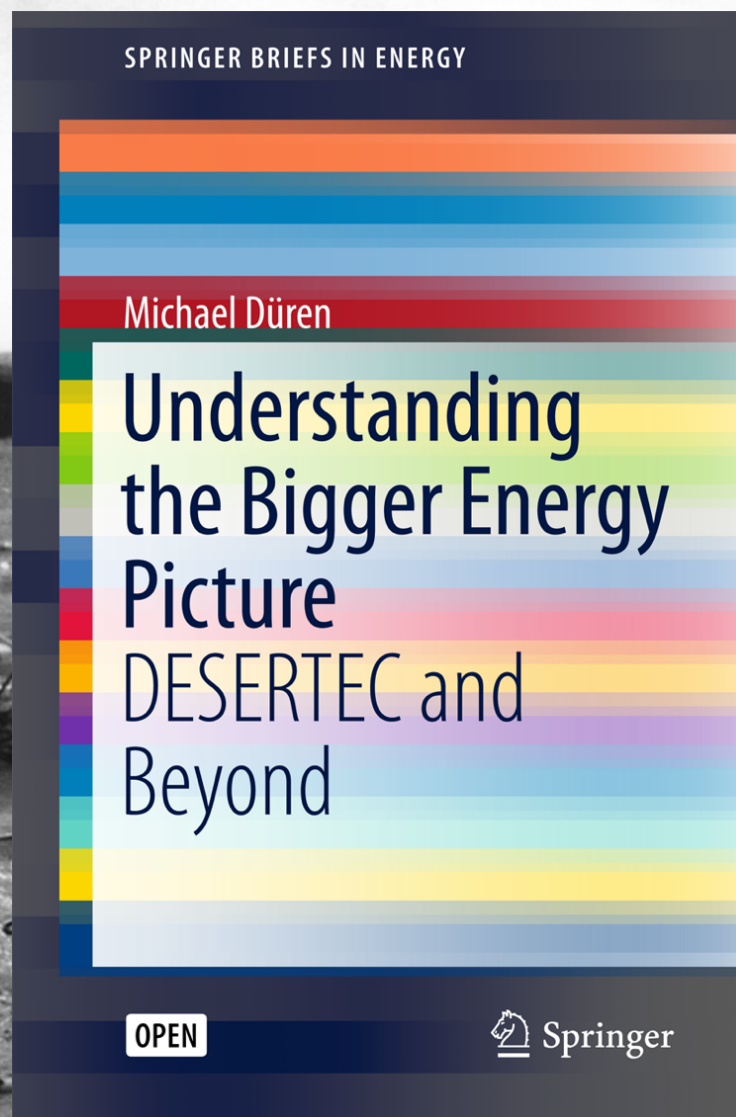
4. Schnellstraßenbahn  
(beste Energieeffizienz  
+ Netzstabilisierung)

Michael Düren, Univ. Giessen



Schnellstraßenbahn =  
Schienen + Batterie + Oberleitung +  
Cargo + Autonom + „on Demand“

# Publications



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## Das Ende der Autobahn

Energie und Mobilität aus Sicht eines Physikers  
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Der Klimawandel verlangt grundsätzliche und schnelle Veränderungen unserer Gesellschaft. Die Energie- und Verkehrsinfrastruktur spielen dabei eine Schlüsselrolle. Eine Umwidmung der Autobahnen für eine sogenannte Schnellstraßenbahn könnte eine völlig neue Ära der Mobilität einläuten.

auf allen Kontinenten nötig. Aufgrund der damit einhergehenden Risiken erzeugt die Kernenergie mehr Probleme, als sie löst – insbesondere bei Terrorismus und Proliferation. Damit war für mich das Kapitel Kernenergie abgeschlossen, auch wenn viele meiner Kollegen entgegengesetzter Ansicht sind [2, 3]. Doch wie lässt sich der immense Energiehunger unserer modernen Gesellschaften stillen?

**Planetarisches Denken**

Als junger Student am CERN in Genf habe ich gelernt, wie wissenschaftliche Ziele Menschen zu ungeheurem Einsatz motivieren können und Hierarchien und kulturelle Unterschiede an Bedeutung verlieren, wenn alle am gleichen Strang ziehen. Bereits zu der Zeit, als man noch sein Magnetband mit den neuesten Daten seines CERN-Experiments über die Grenze nach Deutschland schmuggeln musste, um die Wartezeit beim Zoll zu sparen und es

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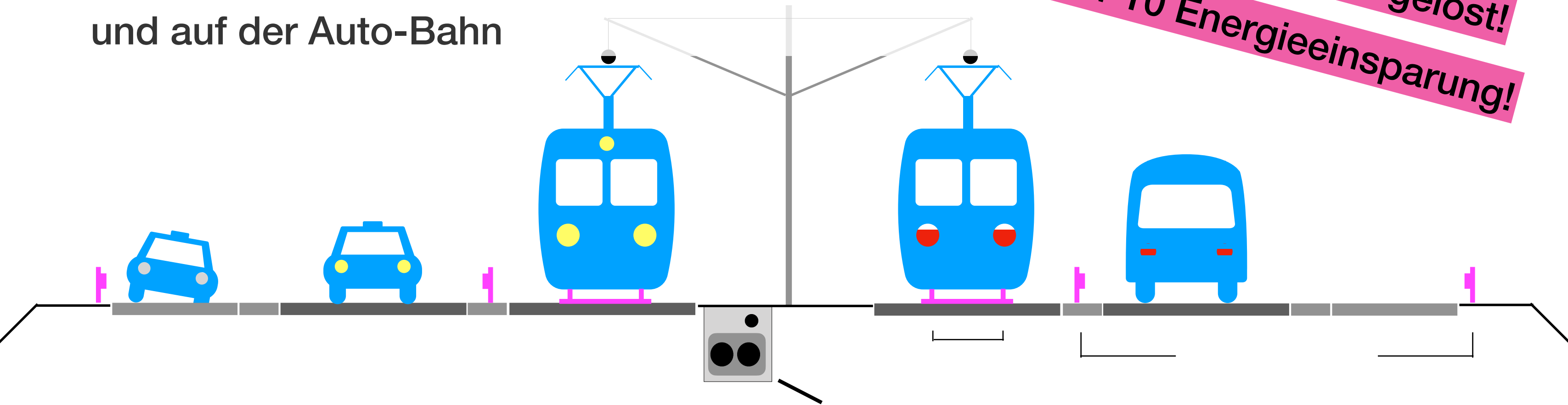
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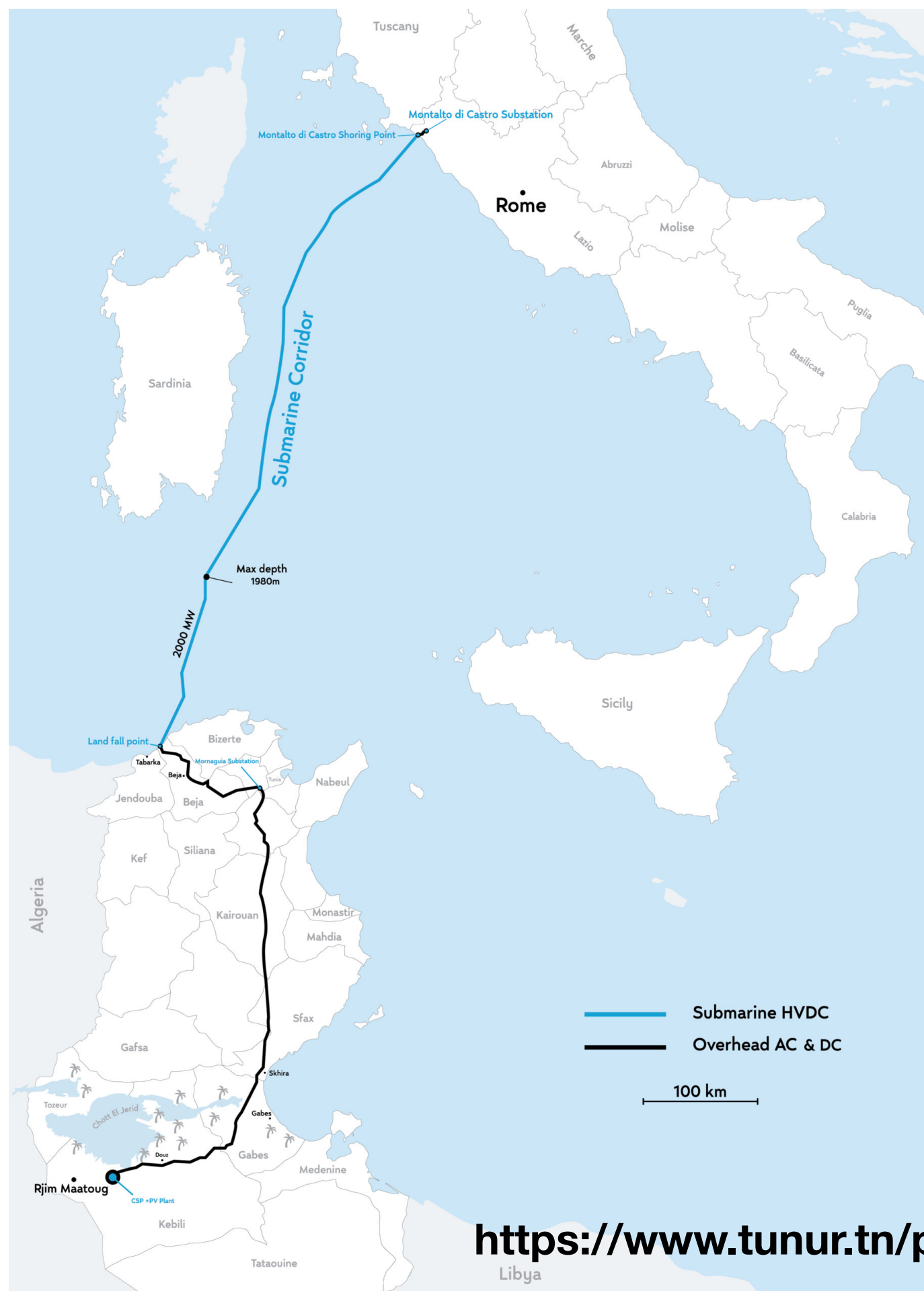


# Vielen Dank für Ihre Geduld

- 1: Reduktion des Gütertransports
- 2: Reduktion des Personenverkehrs
- 3: Kurze Strecken zu Fuß + leichte Fahrzeuge
- 4: U-Bahnen in Großstädten
- 5: Schnellstraßenbahn in Dorf, Stadt und auf der Auto-Bahn

Umwidmung der  
Auto-Infrastruktur  
für Züge und Kabel  
Blackout Problem gelöst!  
Faktor 10 Energieeinsparung!

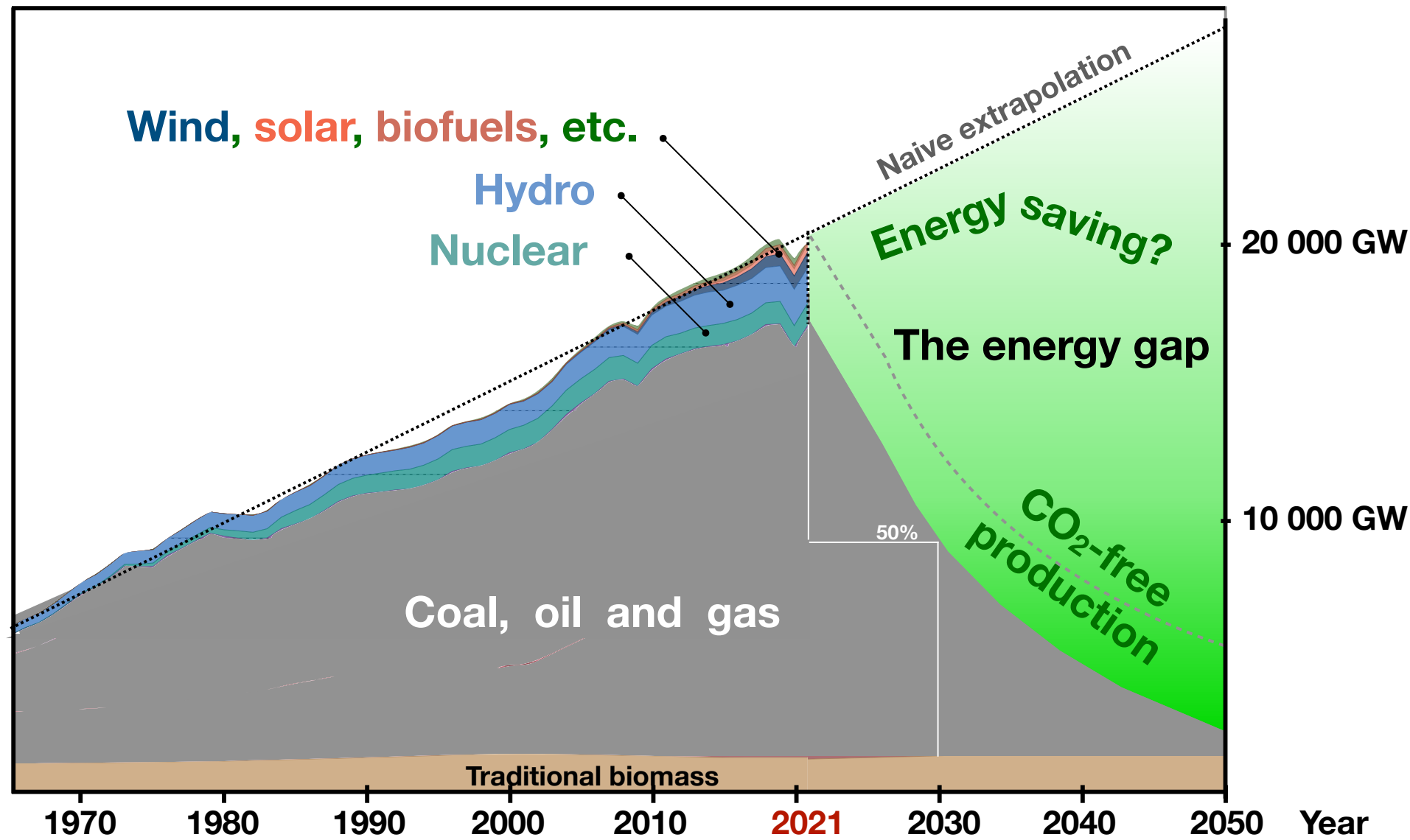




<https://www.tunur.tn/project/tunur-italy-transmission-line-2/>

# CO<sub>2</sub> emissions trigger tipping points (irreversible)

Global primary energy consumption per second



Sources: energy demand: Our World in Data based on Vaclav Emil (2017) and BP Statistical Review of World Energy / CO<sub>2</sub>-saving requirement from IPCC; Graphics: M. Düren

## Scenario:

50% CO<sub>2</sub> reduction will not be done in 7 y  
(strict energy saving would be required)

- ↪ Tipping points will enforce climate change
- ↪ Agriculture will fail to feed the world
- ↪ Hunger, migration, wars of >10% of population (Billions)
- ↪ Escalation of wars and pandemics
- ↪ Cascades of tipping points
- ↪ Our children will have a life in despair

**Required reduction: 50% in ~7 years**

**Prediction with confidence level = x**