

# Environmental Sustainability

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# Environmental sustainability

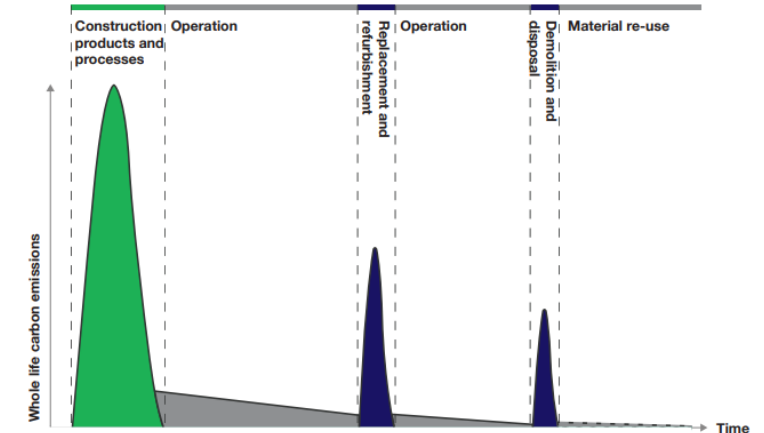
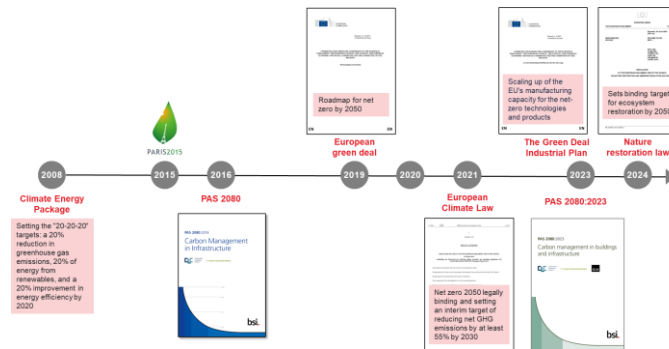
## Aims

- To inform ETO WG on sustainability activities at CERN relevant to current ETO studies
- Lessons learnt from CERN:
  - CERN Campus: Regenerative environment and social programme
  - CLIC & ILC: Environmental life cycle assessment
  - Decarbonisation technology
- Comparable underground infrastructure projects
- Steps for implementation at ETO, across sites



# Environmental sustainability

## Drivers



## Vision and ambitions

- Values and contributions science and society beyond the Science.
- Decarbonisation commitments that shape the design and go beyond typical metrics of cost and carbon.
- Social and organisational responsibility

## Policies, targets and financing

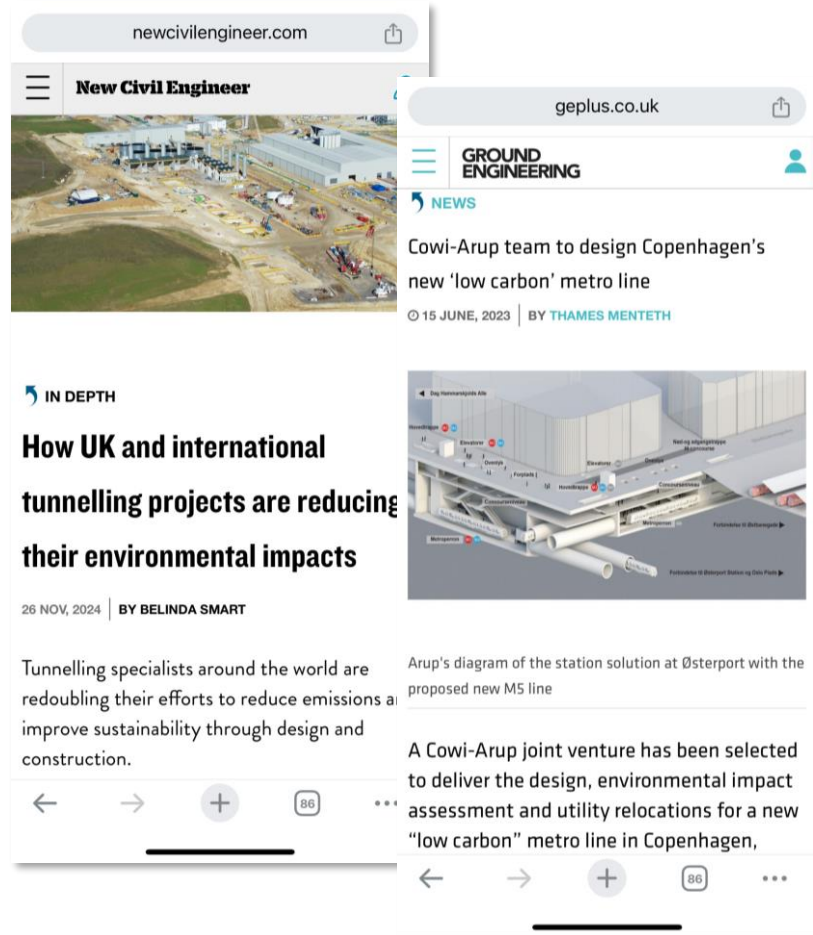
- Compliance -> shaping of expected and future policy
- Stranded asset and technology leapfrogging
- Carbon central to the financing business case and access to finance

## Carbon management

- Capital and operational carbon
- Whole life demonstration of carbon and energy performance
- Carbon as a driver and analogy for cost

# Vision and ambitions

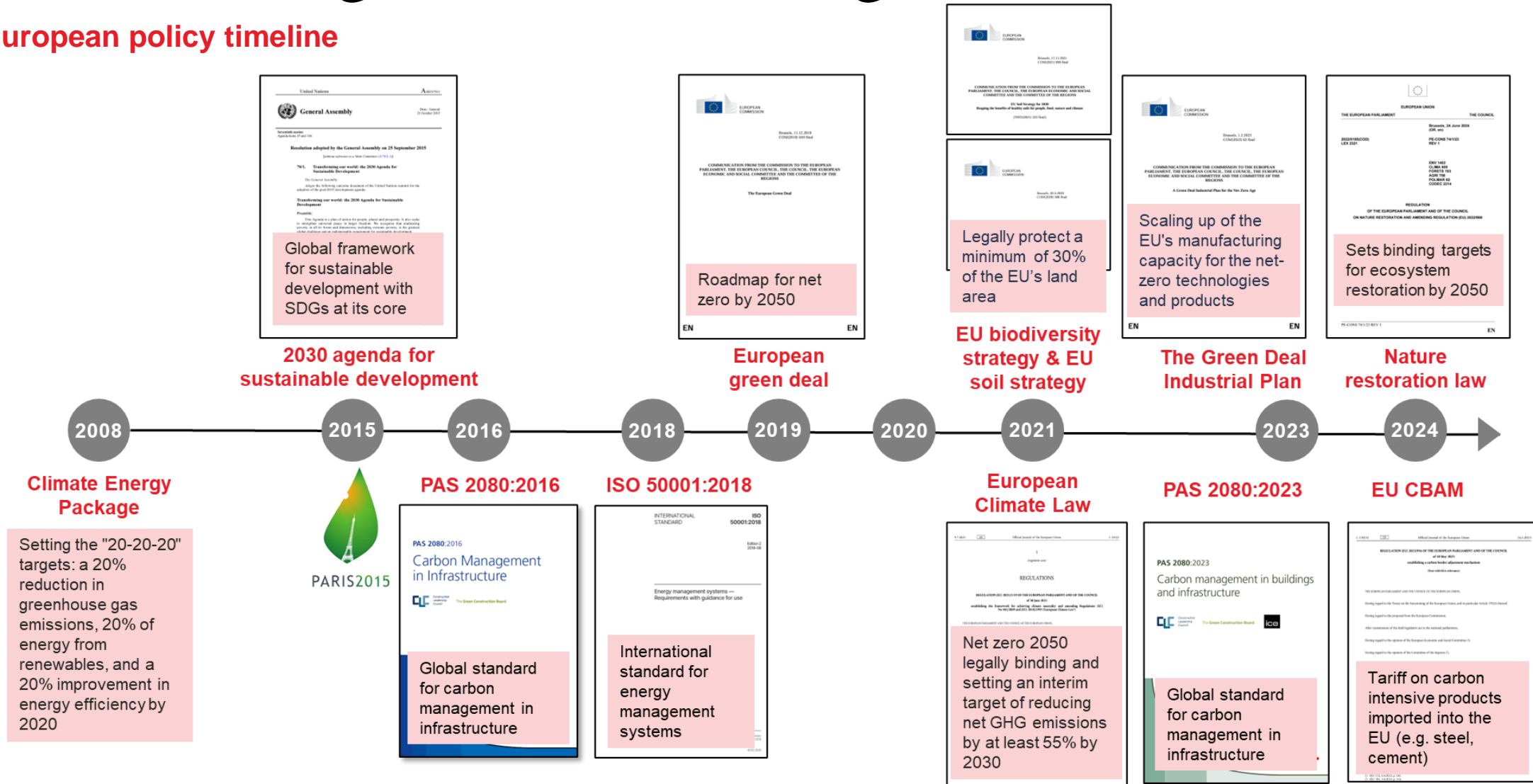
## Climate impact as a decision maker in major projects





# Policies, targets and financing

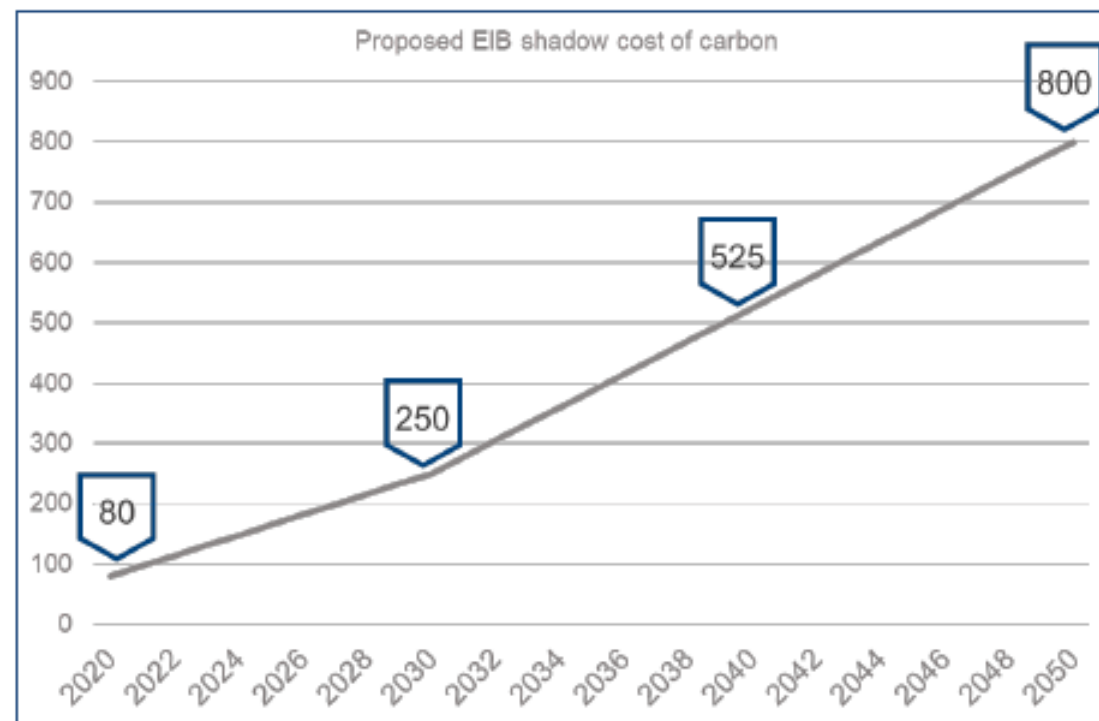
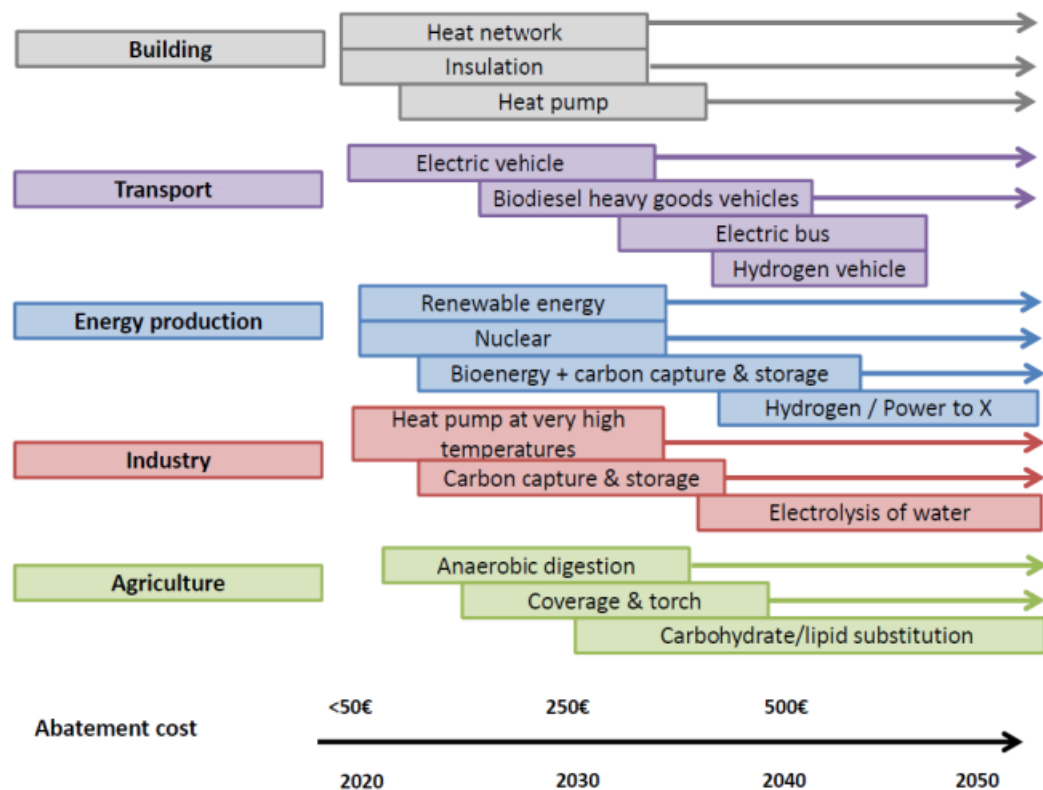
## European policy timeline



# Policies, targets and financing

Shadow carbon pricing - An important incentive to drive lower carbon implementation

“Penalising the economic performance of carbon intensive projects and sends an important signal to the market” *European Investment Bank Climate Strategy* [https://www.eib.org/attachments/strategies/eib\\_climate\\_strategy\\_en.pdf](https://www.eib.org/attachments/strategies/eib_climate_strategy_en.pdf)

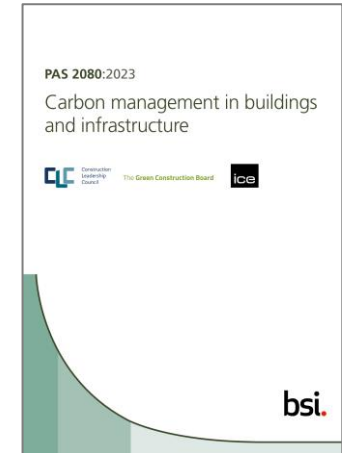


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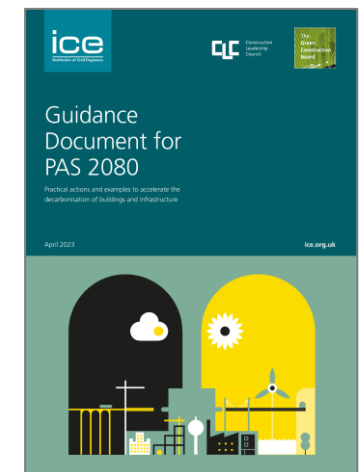
# Accelerating decarbonisation

## PAS2080:2023 Carbon management in buildings and infrastructure

- Integrating carbon into decision-making
- Managing to reduce whole life carbon
- Consistency in framing emissions under the control and influence of the value chain
- Integrating resilience
- Prioritising nature-based solutions



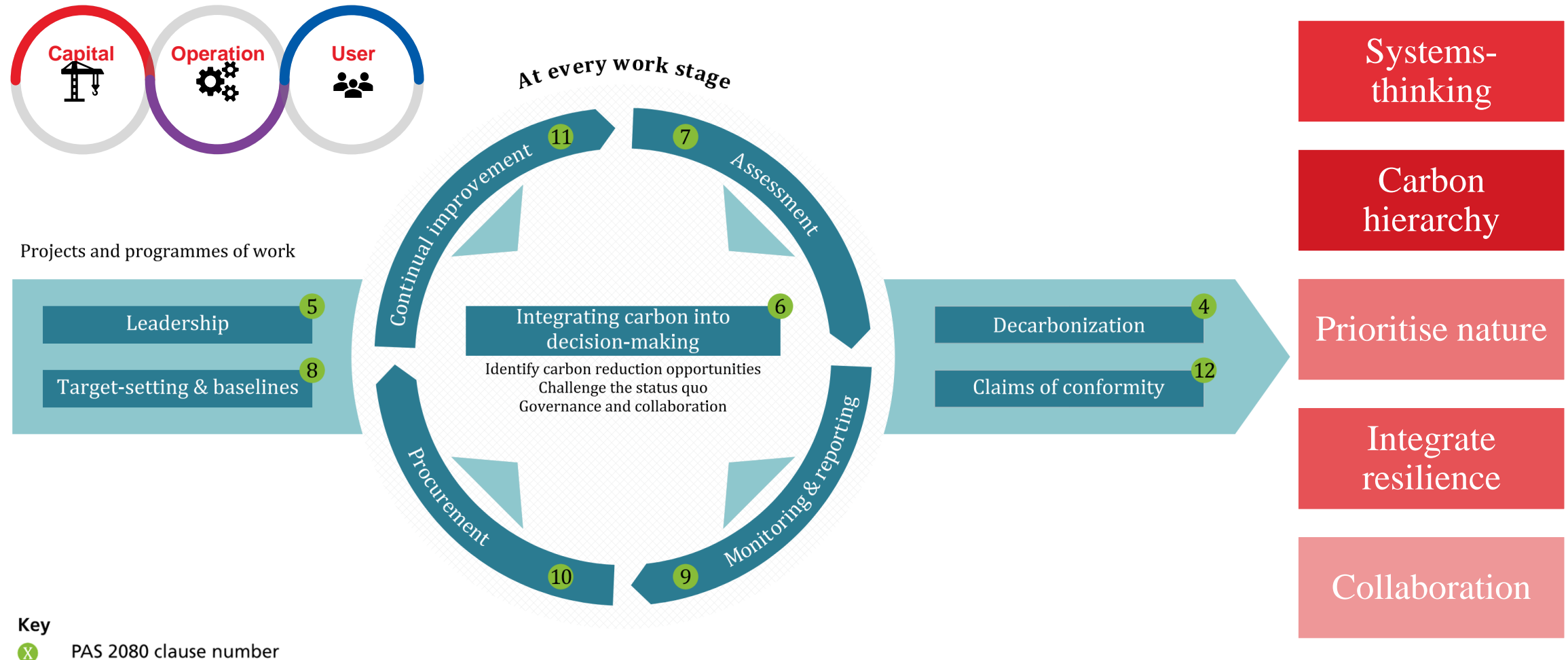
<https://www.bsigroup.com/en-GB/standards/pas-2080/>



<https://www.ice.org.uk/engineering-resources/briefing-sheets/guidance-document-pas2080>

# Carbon management process

PAS2080:2023

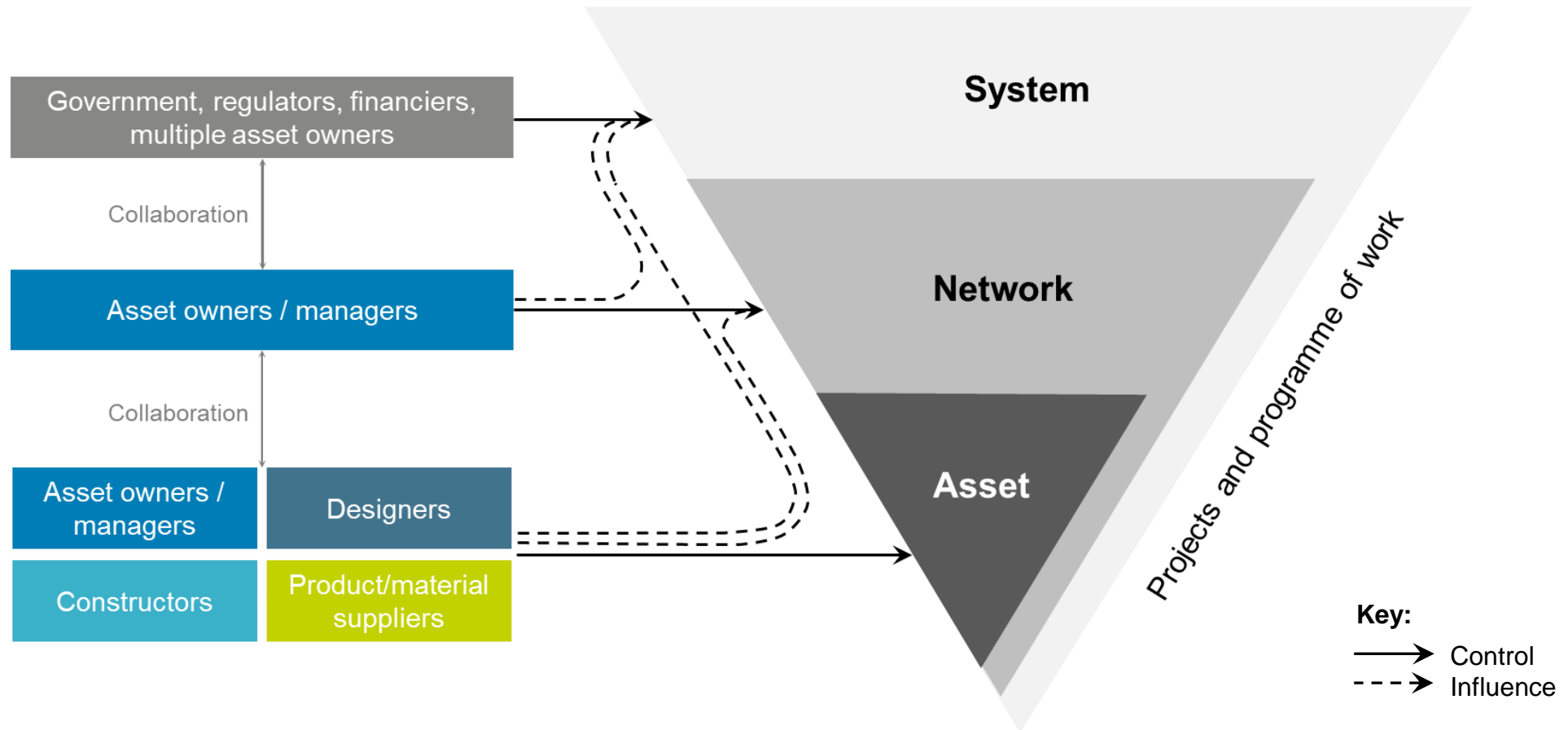


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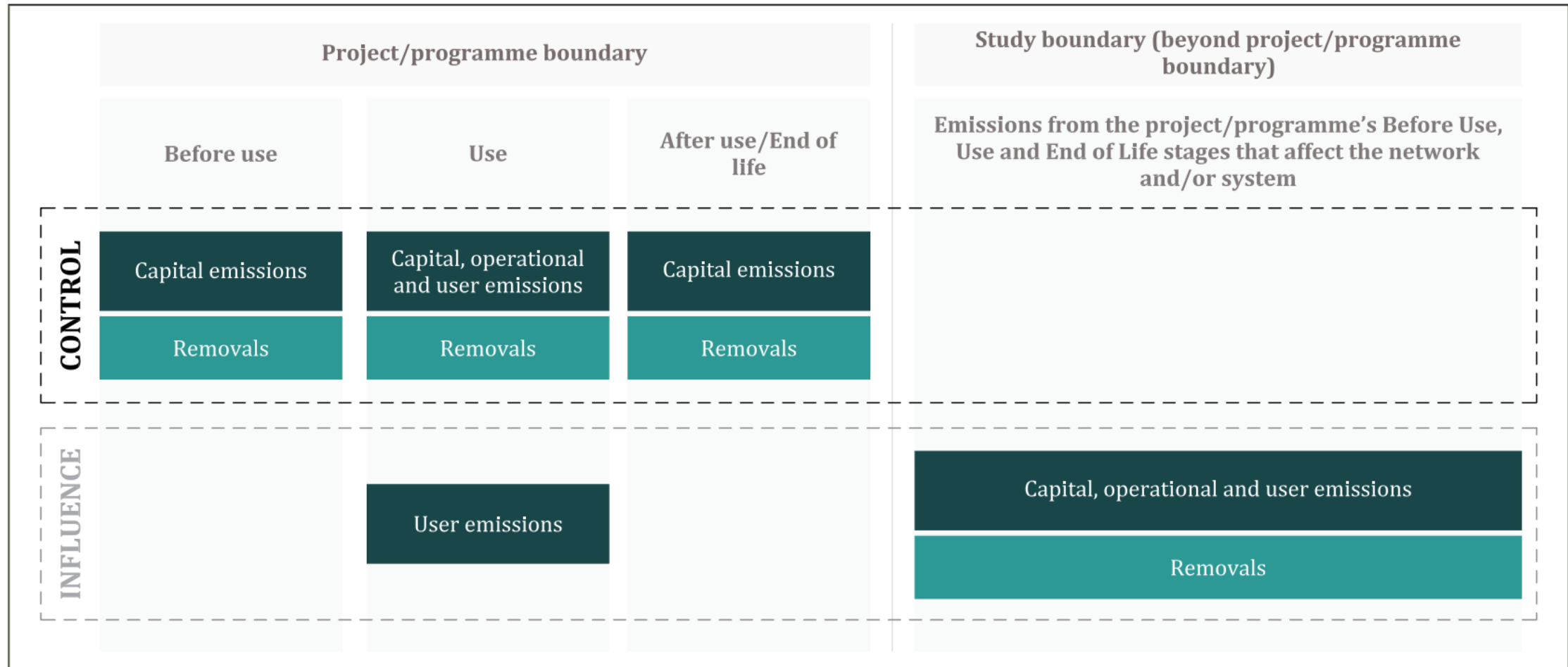
# Control and influence

## Systems decarbonisation



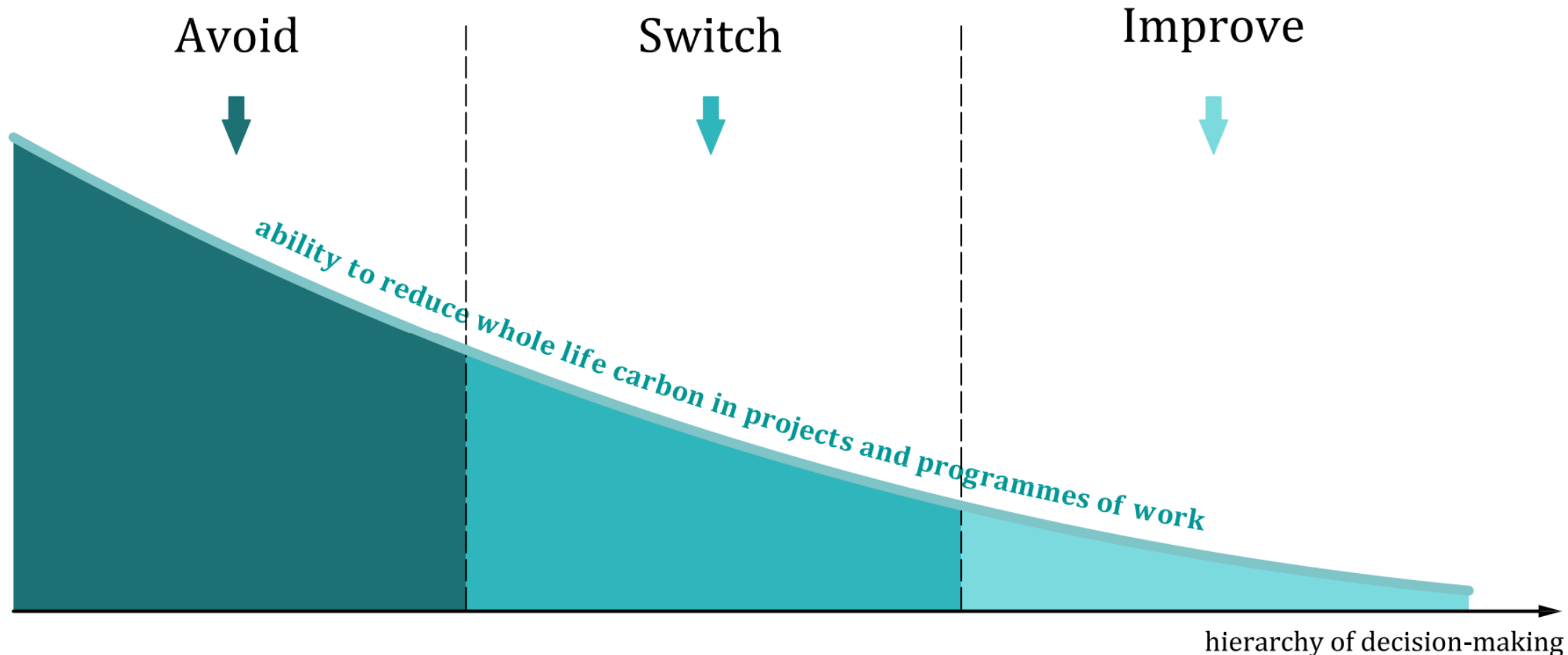
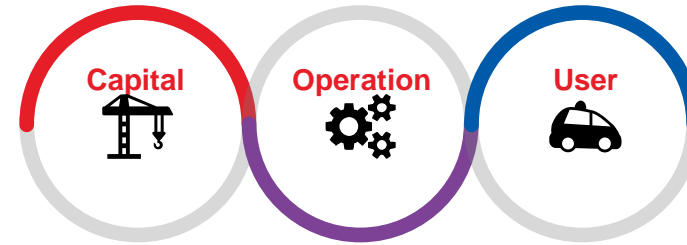
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## Systems decarbonisation



# Carbon reduction hierarchy

Prioritise meaningful decarbonisation



# Life Cycle Assessment of CLIC & ILC

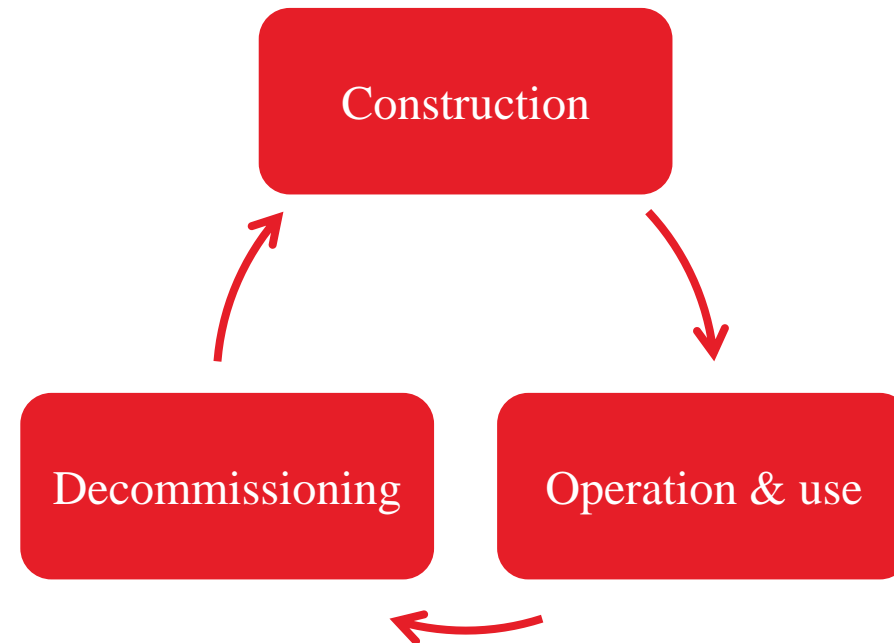
# Aims

- 1 Whole life cycle impact assessment of CLIC and ILC, considering construction impact of the infrastructure and whole life impacts of the machine componentry
- 2 Identify hotspots and reduction opportunities to influence design development

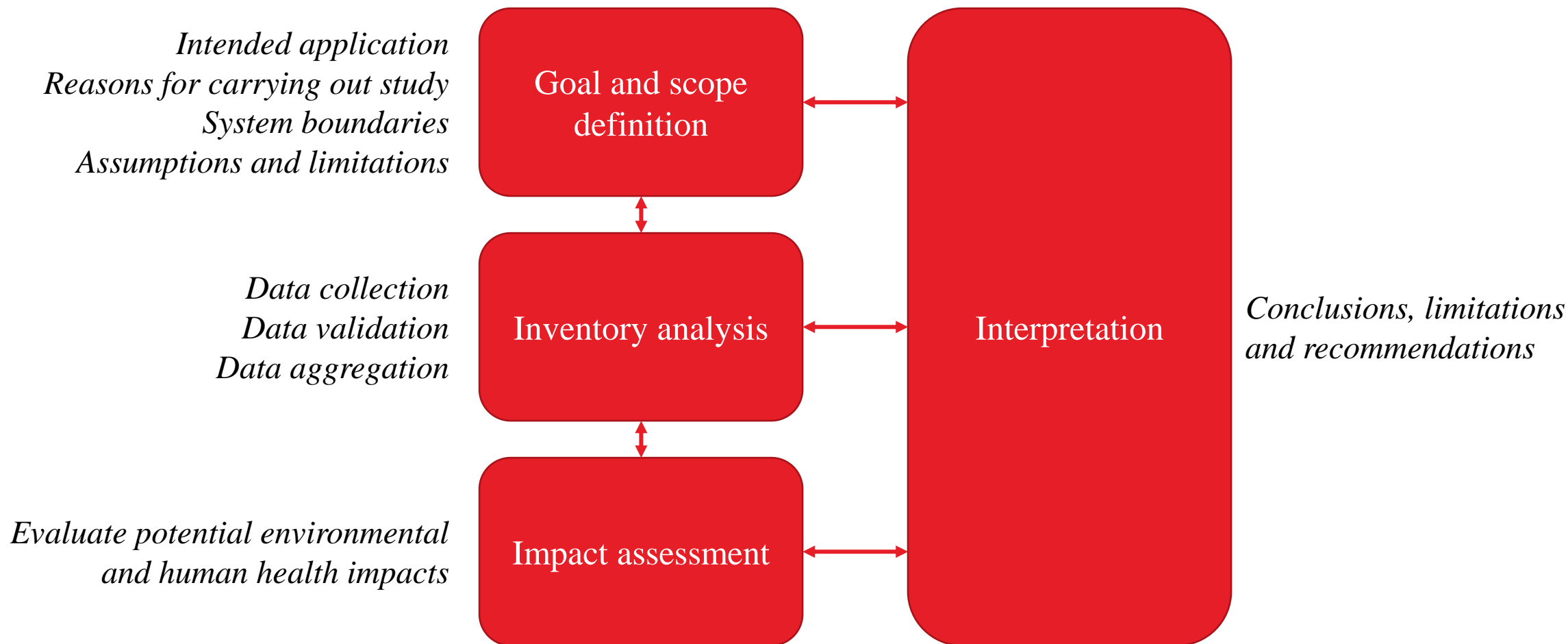


# Life cycle assessment

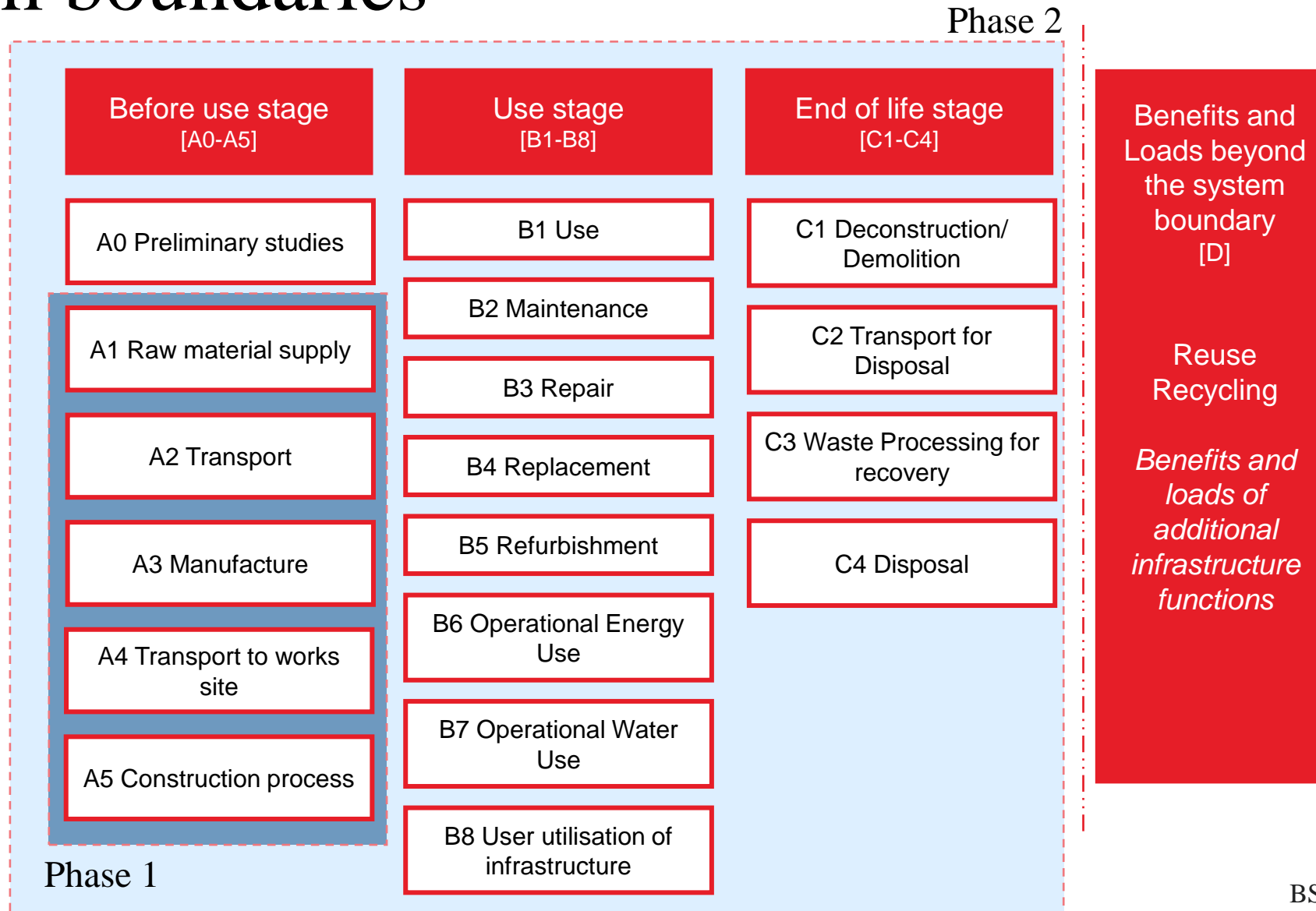
A life cycle assessment systematically **assesses the environmental impact** of a product or asset throughout its **life cycle**



# Life cycle assessment



# System boundaries

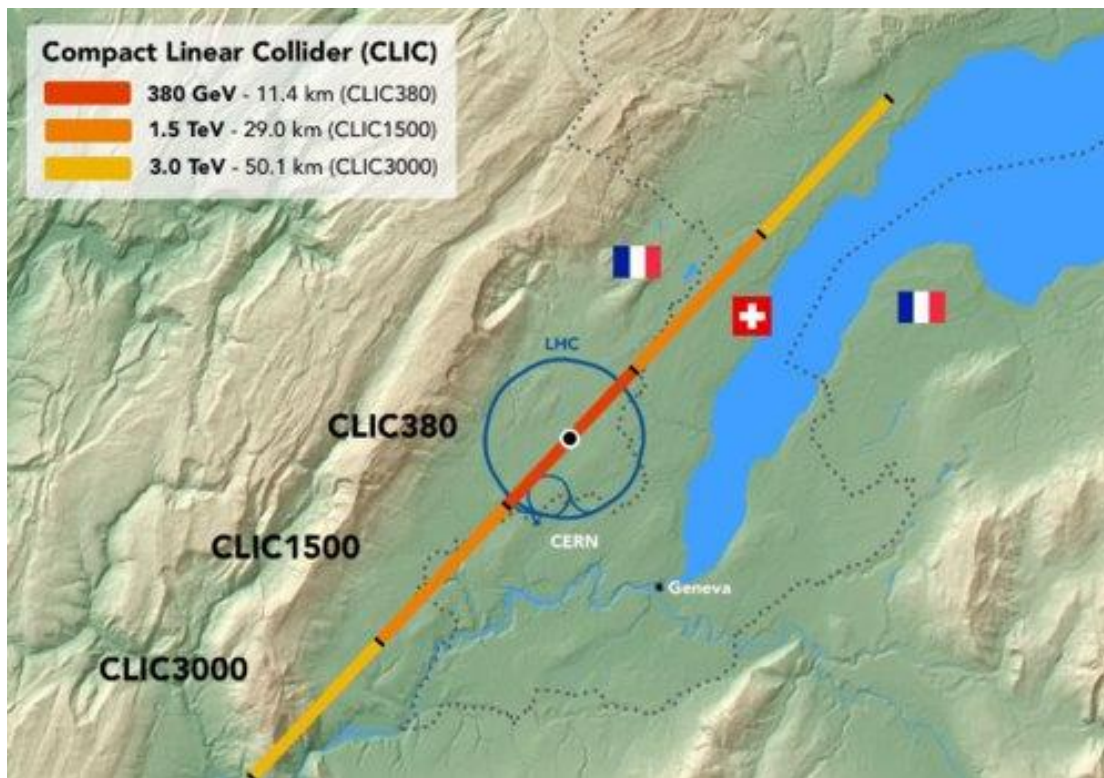


# Linear collider options

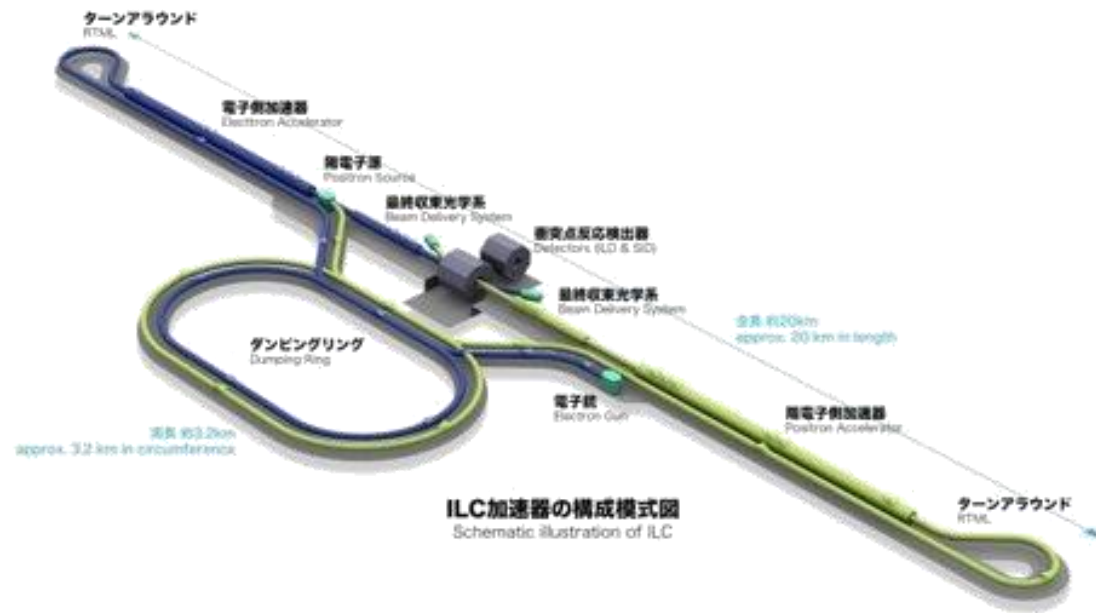
## Compact Linear Collider (CLIC)

a) Drive Beam

b) Klystron



## International Linear Collider (ILC)

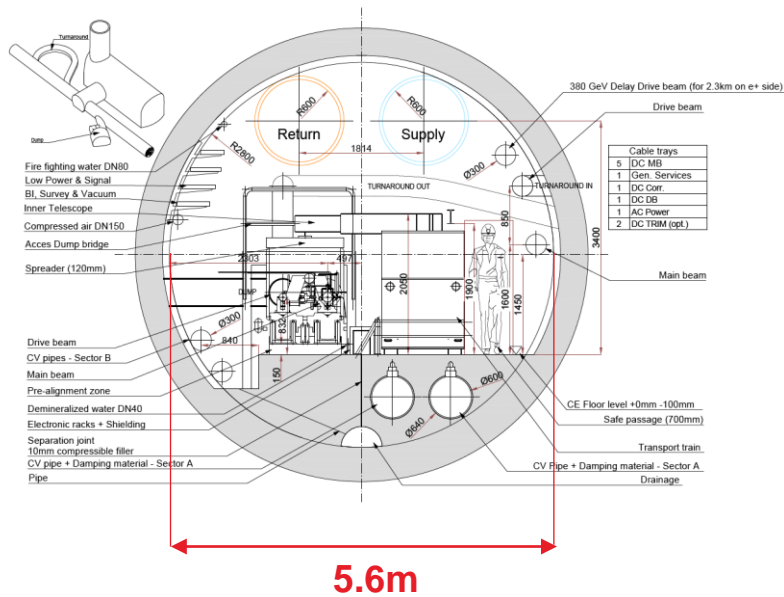


*Proposed construction 2030*

# Linear collider options

## CLIC Drive Beam

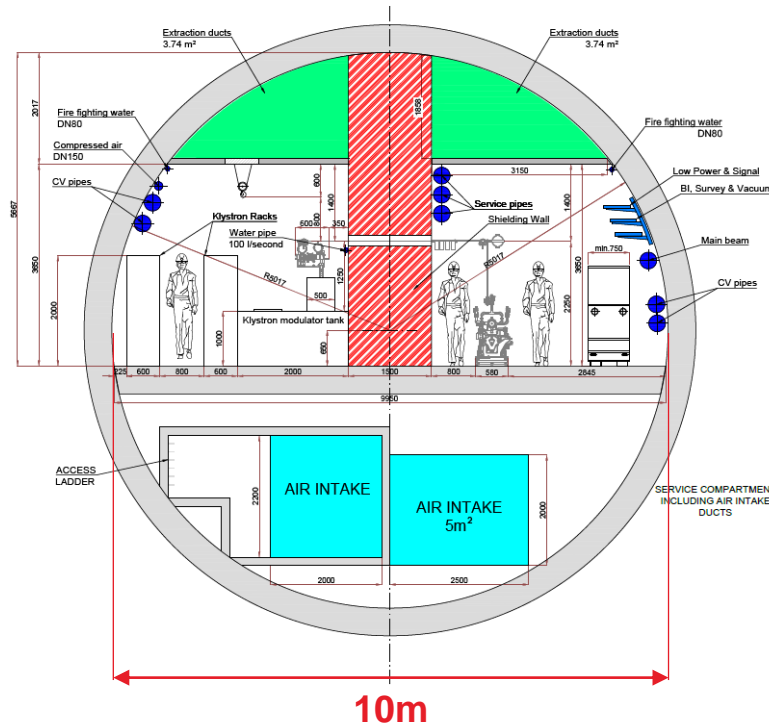
5.6m internal dia. Geneva.  
(380GeV, 1.5TeV, 3TeV)



Reference: CLIC Drive Beam tunnel cross section, 2018

## CLIC Klystron

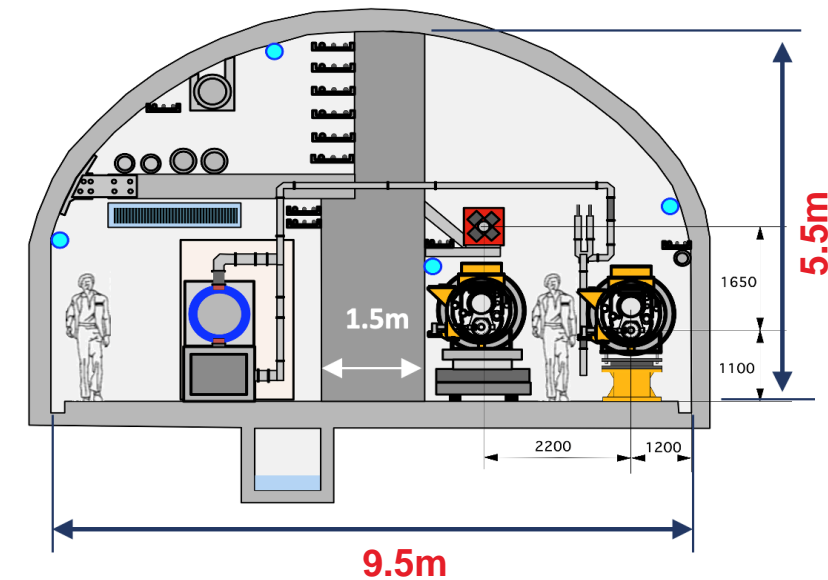
10m internal dia. Geneva.  
(380GeV)



Reference: CLIC Klystron tunnel cross section, 2018

## ILC

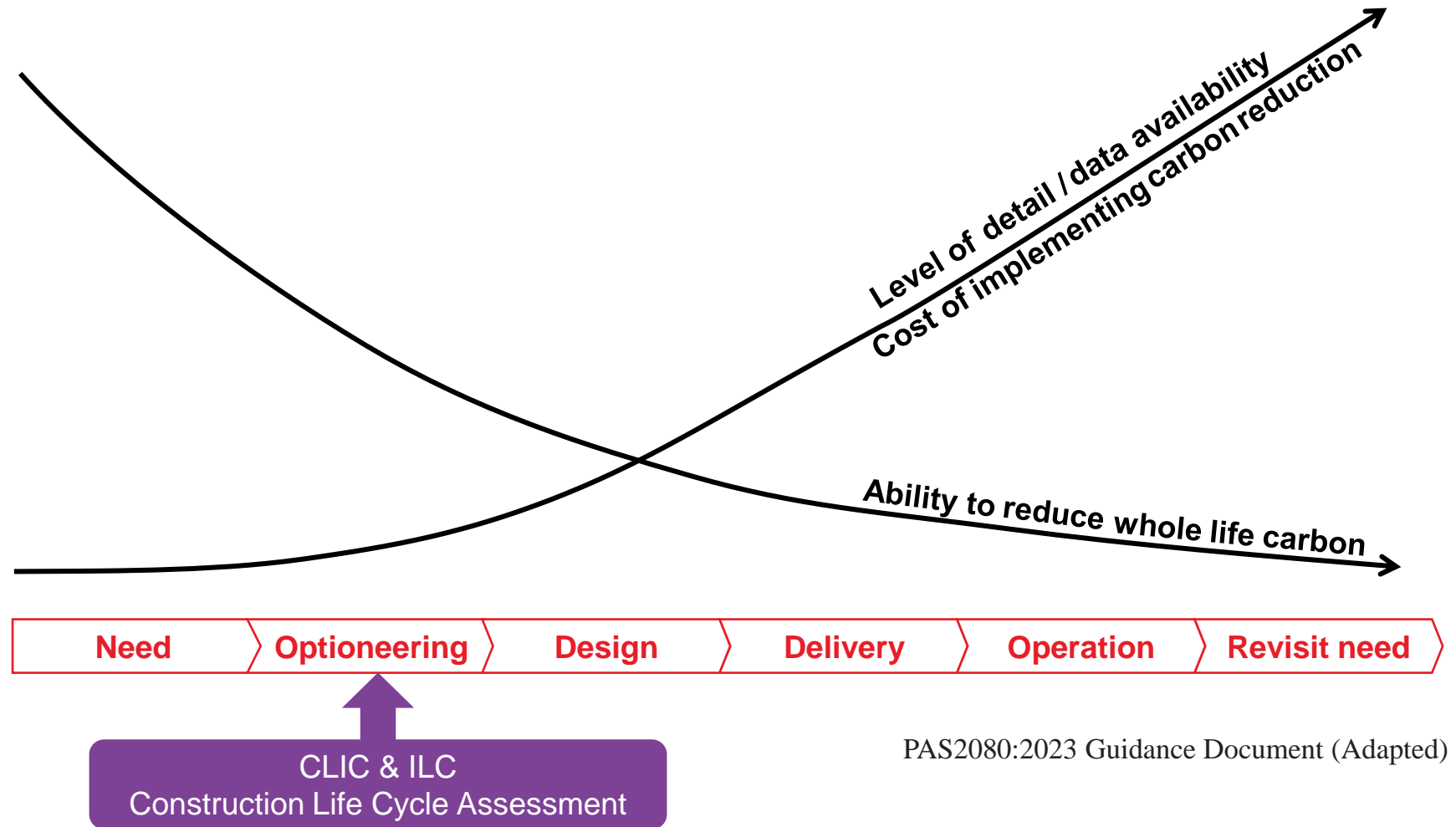
Arched 9.5m span. Tohoku region, Japan.  
(250GeV)



Reference: Tohoku ILC Civil Engineering Plan, 2020

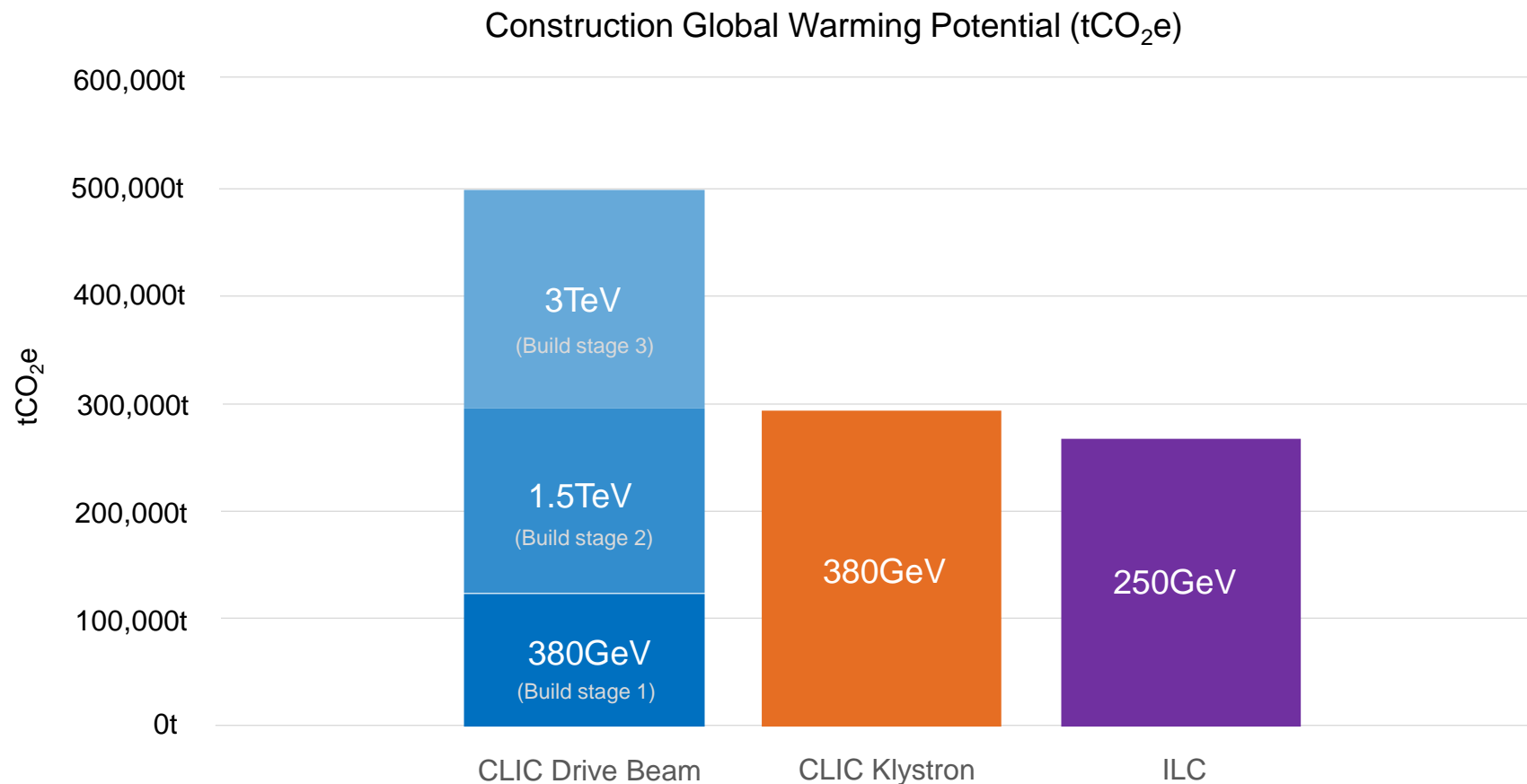


# Early stage Influence



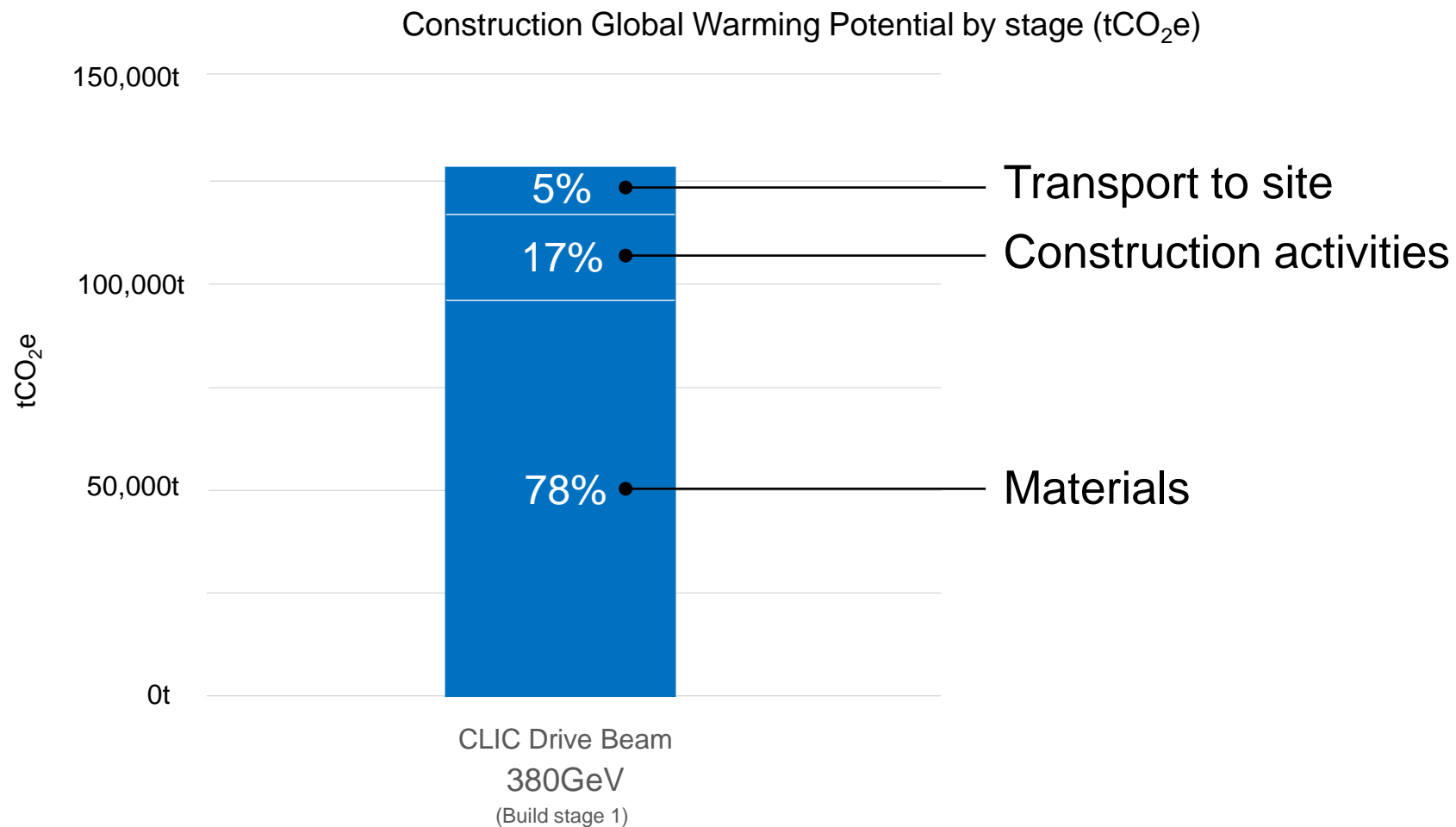
# Life Cycle Assessment

CLIC & ILC



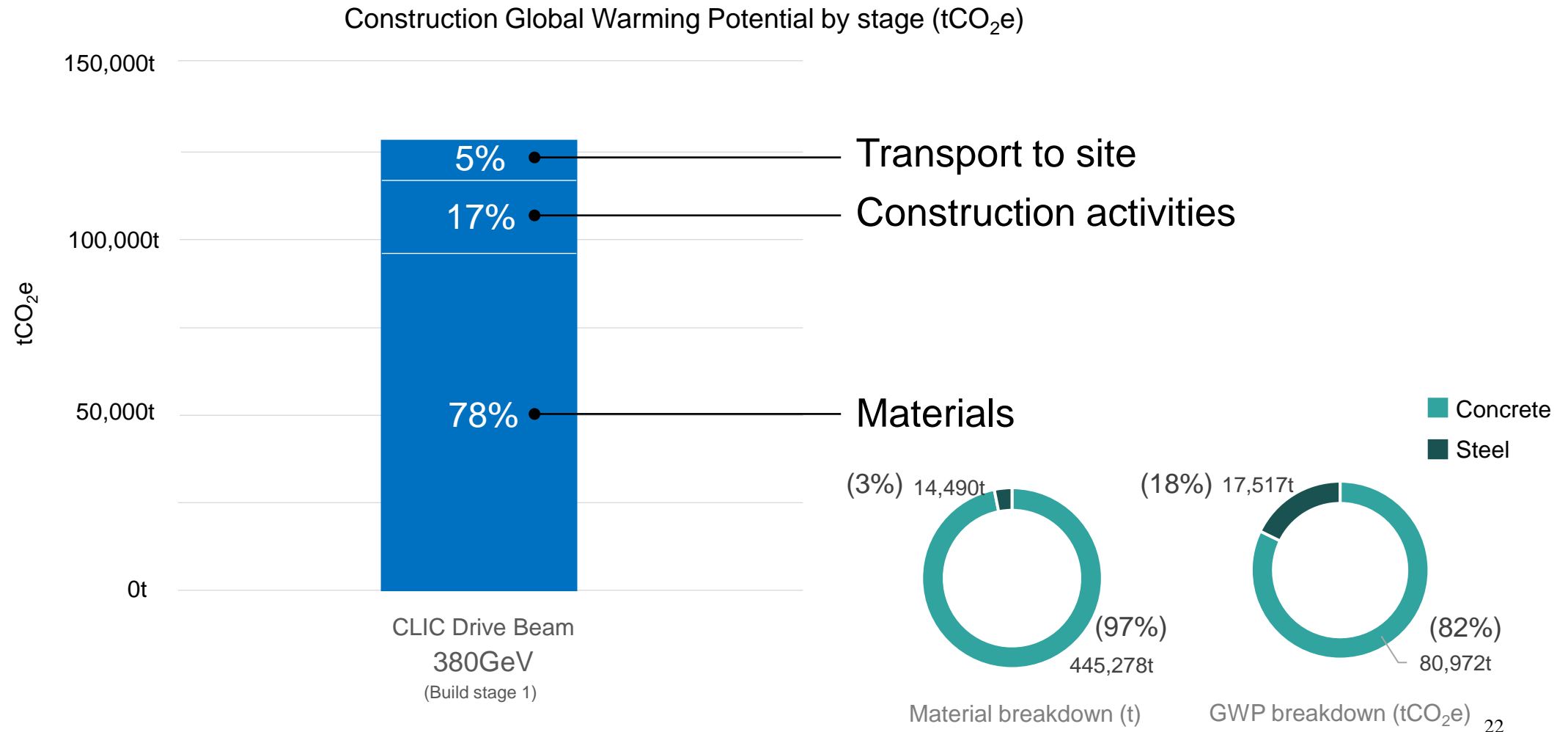
# Impact assessment

## CLIC Drive Beam 380GeV



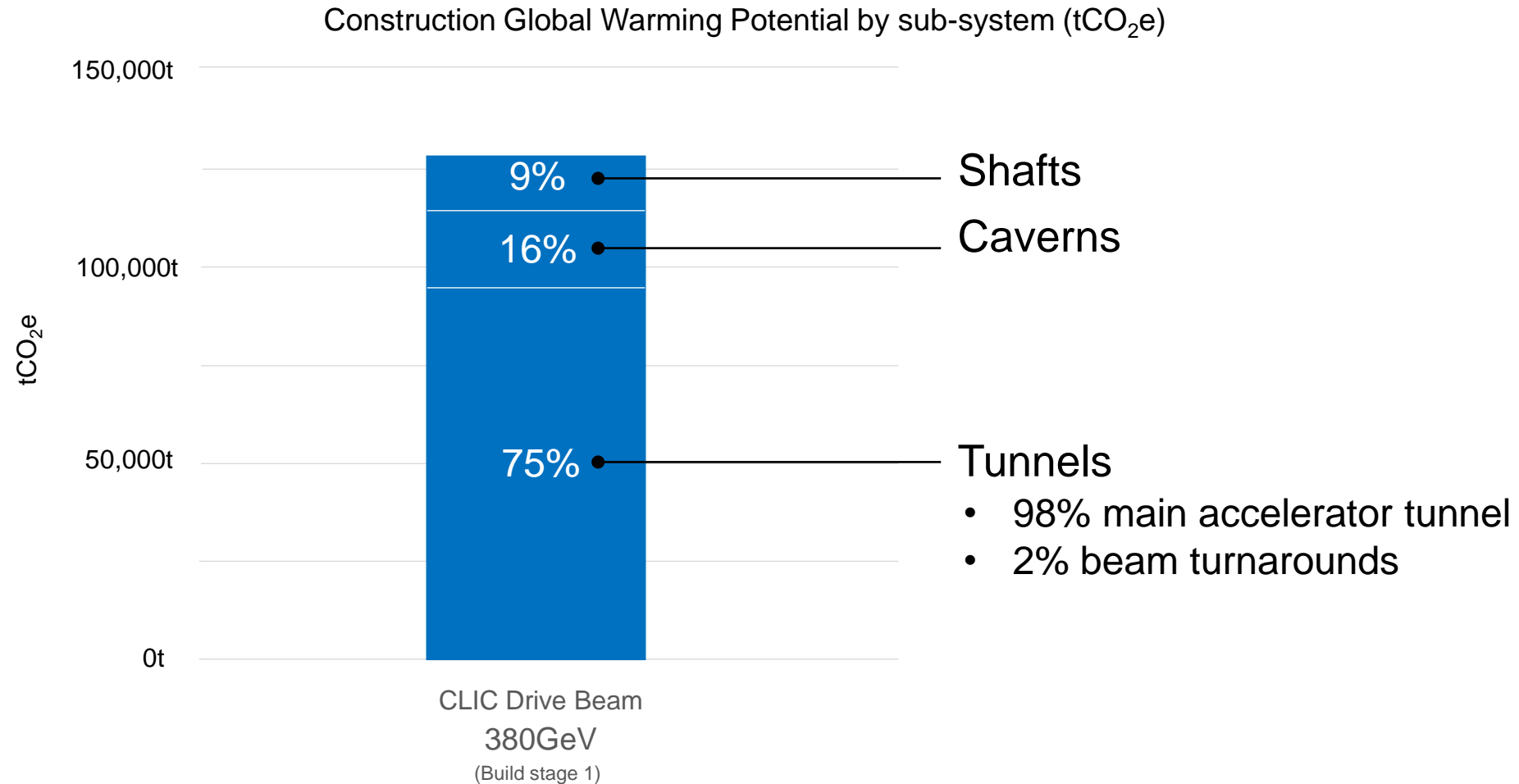
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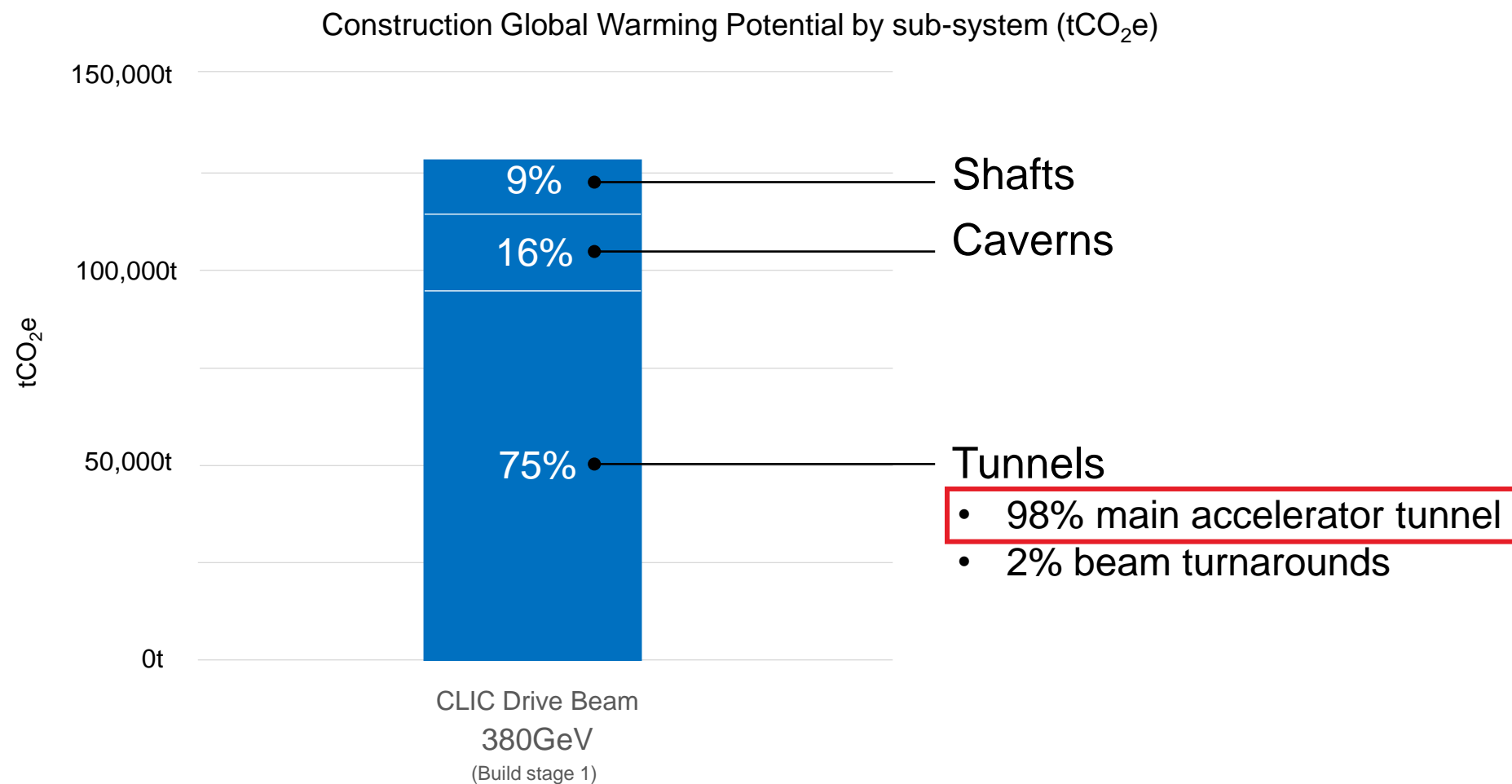
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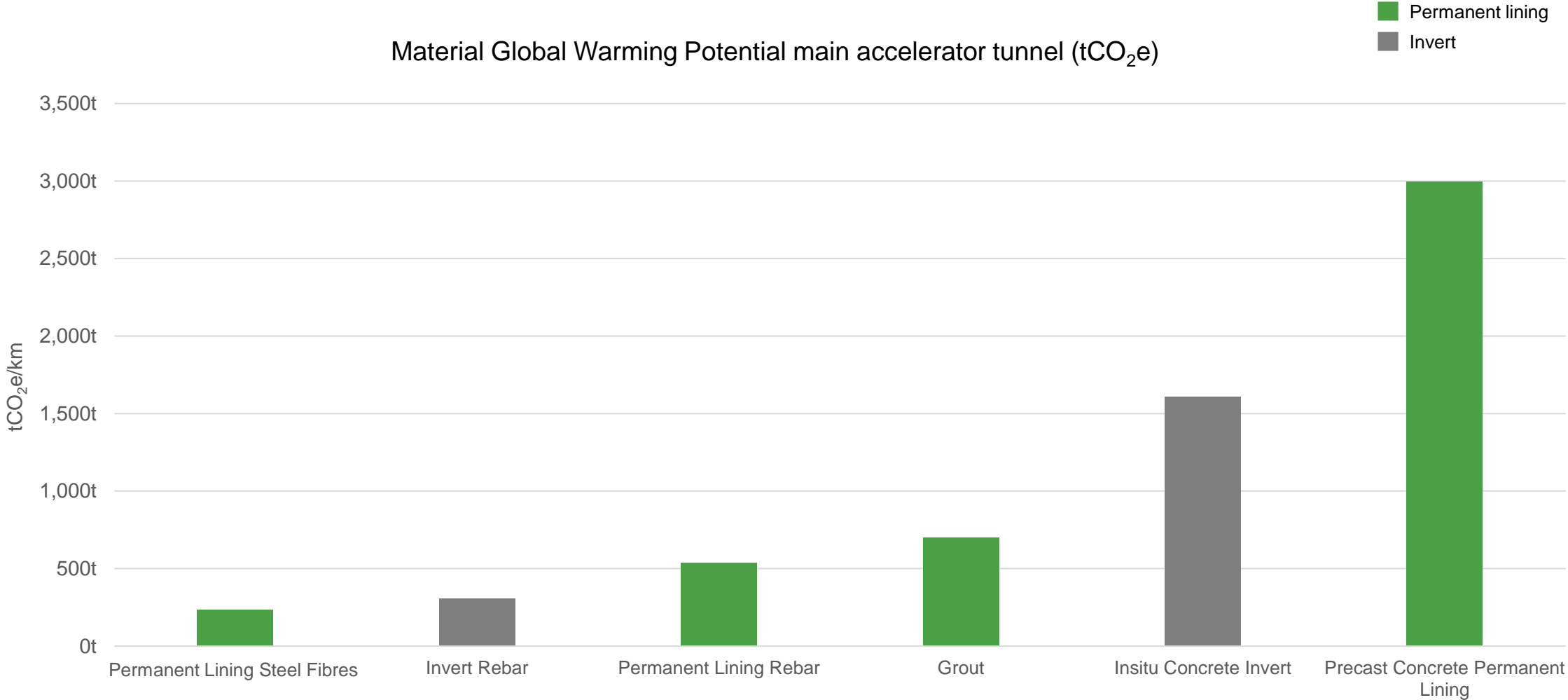
# Impact assessment

## CLIC Drive Beam 380GeV



# Hotspots

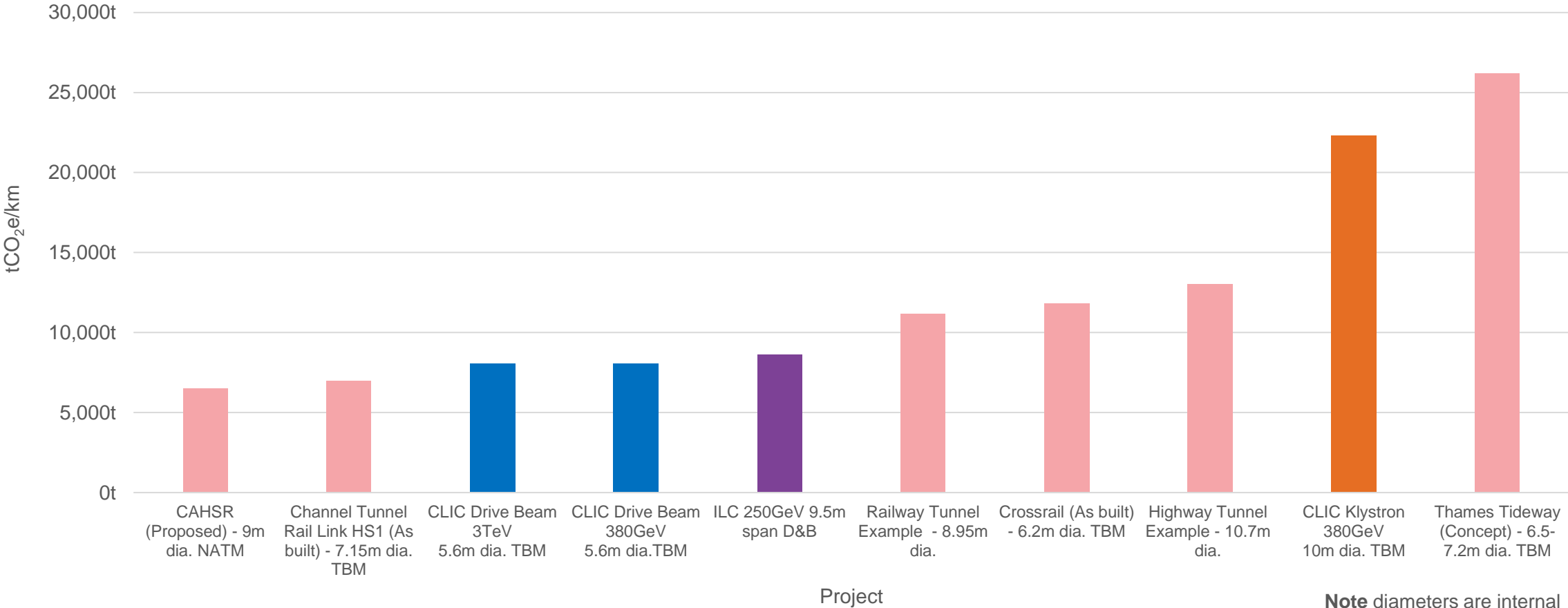
## CLIC Drive Beam 380GeV main accelerator tunnel



# Benchmarks

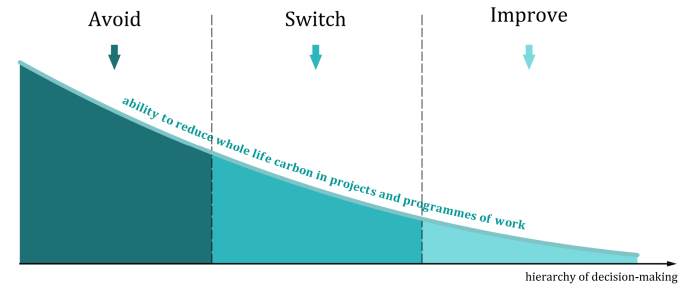
## CLIC & ILC main accelerator tunnel

Construction Global Warming Potential benchmarks (tCO<sub>2</sub>e/km)



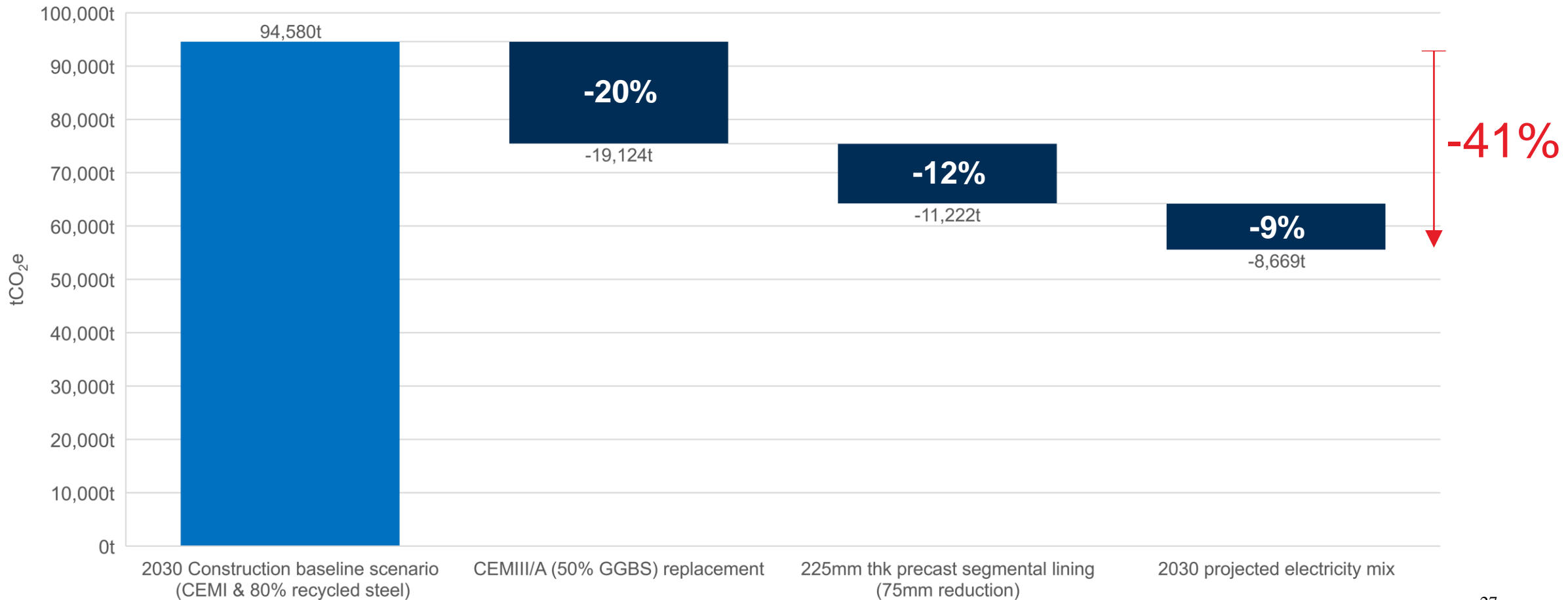
# Reduction opportunities

CLIC Drive Beam 380GeV tunnels



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Construction GWP possible reduction opportunities (tCO<sub>2</sub>e)



# Reduction opportunities

## What else?

- Partially replacing Portland cement (CEMI)
- Totally replacing Portland cement with “Portland cement-free”
- Carbon sequestering in concrete
- Rubber tyre steel fibres
- Collaborating with suppliers dedicated to achieving net zero steel production
- Alternative use of steel in construction and temporary works

# Construction and operation carbon of CLIC

## CLIC Drive Beam

Operational estimates provided by CERN. Based on a projected electricity mix in 2050 (50% nuclear, 50% renewables).

### 380GeV

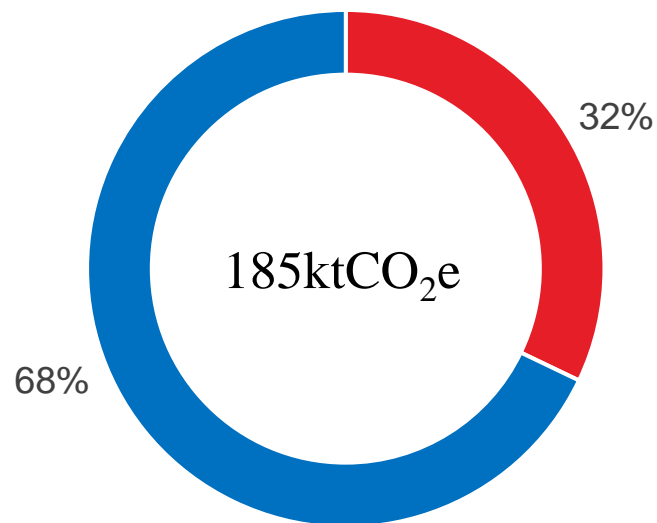
Construction GWP is equivalent to 1.7 decades of running accelerator

### 1.5TeV

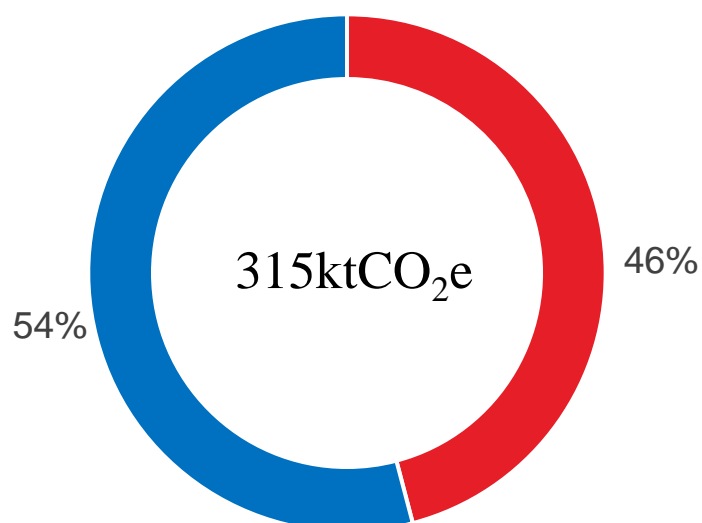
Construction GWP is equivalent to 0.8 decades of running accelerator

### 3TeV

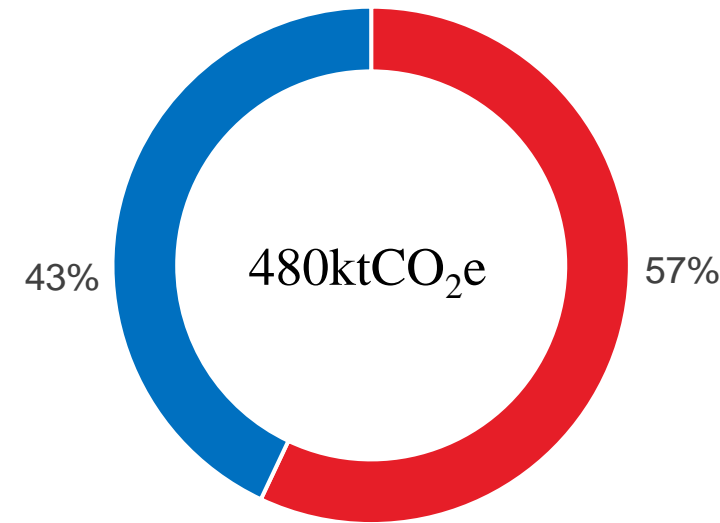
Construction GWP is equivalent to 0.6 decades of running accelerator



■ A1-A5 Construction (tunnel: 11.47km)  
 ■ Operation over 8 years



■ A1-A5 Construction (tunnel: 17.56km)  
 ■ Operation over 7 years

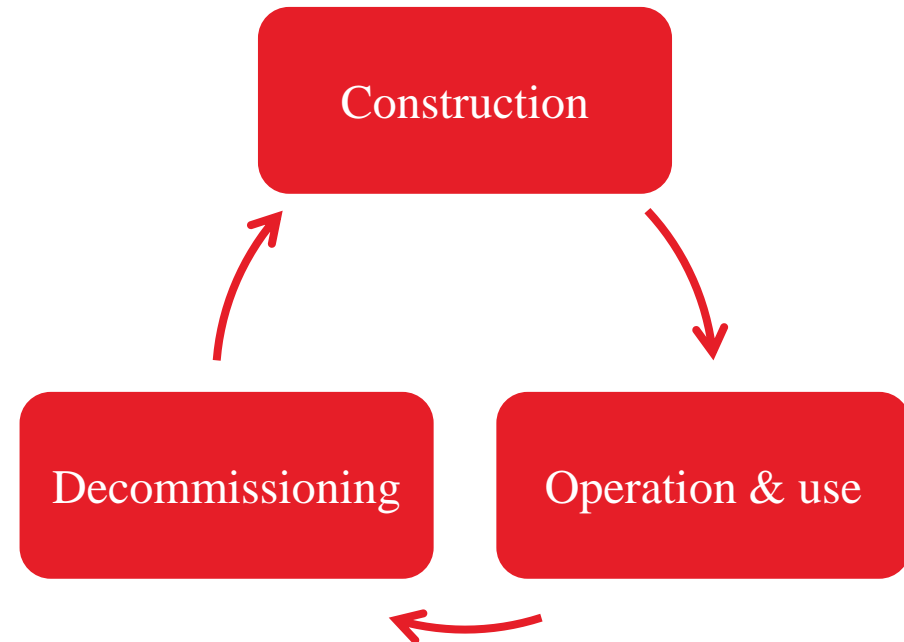


■ A1-A5 Construction (tunnel: 21.08km)  
 ■ Operation over 8 years

# Current work

## Phase 2

- Construction life cycle assessment of CLIC injector complex and CLIC & ILC tunnel services systems (**Construction**)
- Whole life cycle assessment of the machine componentry for CLIC & ILC (**Construction, operation & use, decommissioning**)



# Learning points

- Establish a baseline at early stage of design to inform design development
- Managing carbon throughout the project's lifecycle is integral to understand and reduce carbon impacts
- Evaluate hotspots and reduction opportunities e.g. design changes, optimisation, material alternatives
- Evaluate whole life carbon to influence operational / end of life of asset



# Holistic Impact Framework for CERN Campus

# Aims

- 1 Help to shape the vision & ambition of SCE Net Zero Consolidation Programme
- 2 Evaluate an impact framework which:
  - captures the carbon impact of projects, and captures any intended or unintended, positive or negative impacts on other environmental and social aspects
  - apply to both existing and future projects across the Campus, also providing insights for the decision-making of the masterplan implementation
  - consider buildings and wider campus in an integrated, systems-thinking manner

# Vision and ambition



Systems thinking decarbonisation



Regenerative environmental stewardship



Positive social purpose

# Holistic Impact Framework

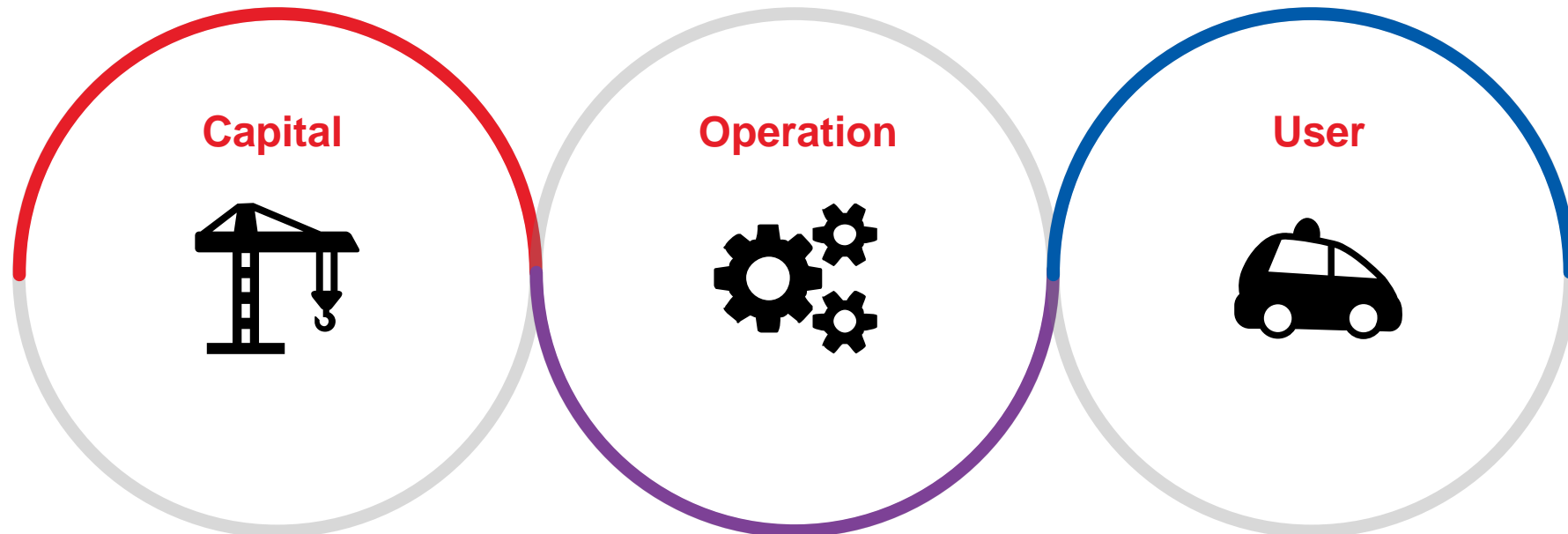
HIF is a simplified impact framework to aid campus-wide gap analysis and early project definition and prioritisation



$$Index = \frac{\sum Indicator\ scores}{3 * \sum Indicators}$$

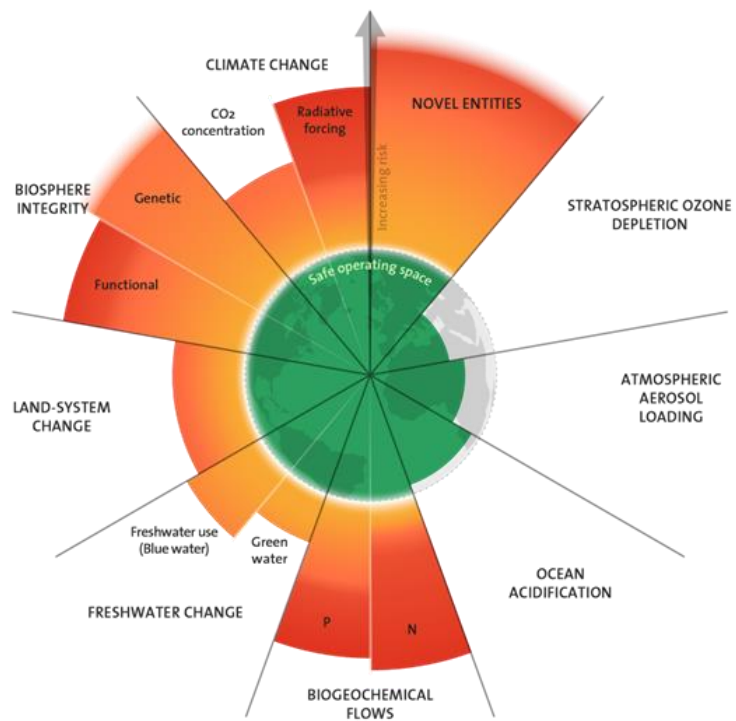
# Carbon Impact

PAS2080:2023 Carbon Management in Buildings & Infrastructure



# Environmental Impact

## Planetary Boundaries Framework



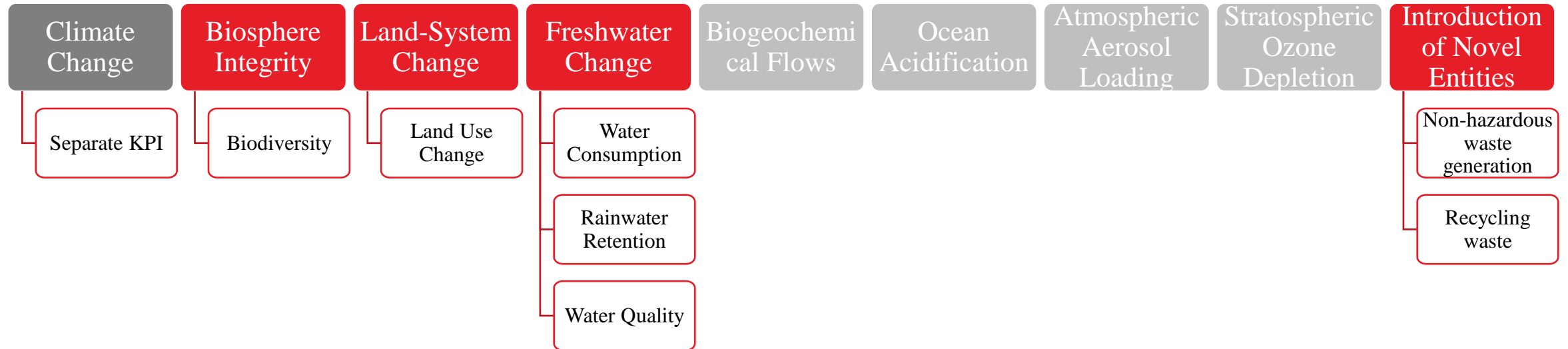
The 2023 update to the Planetary boundaries.  
 "Azote for Stockholm Resilience Centre, based on analysis in Richardson et al 2023".



Impacts of Earth system processes on each other.  
 "Designing for planetary boundaries", Arup

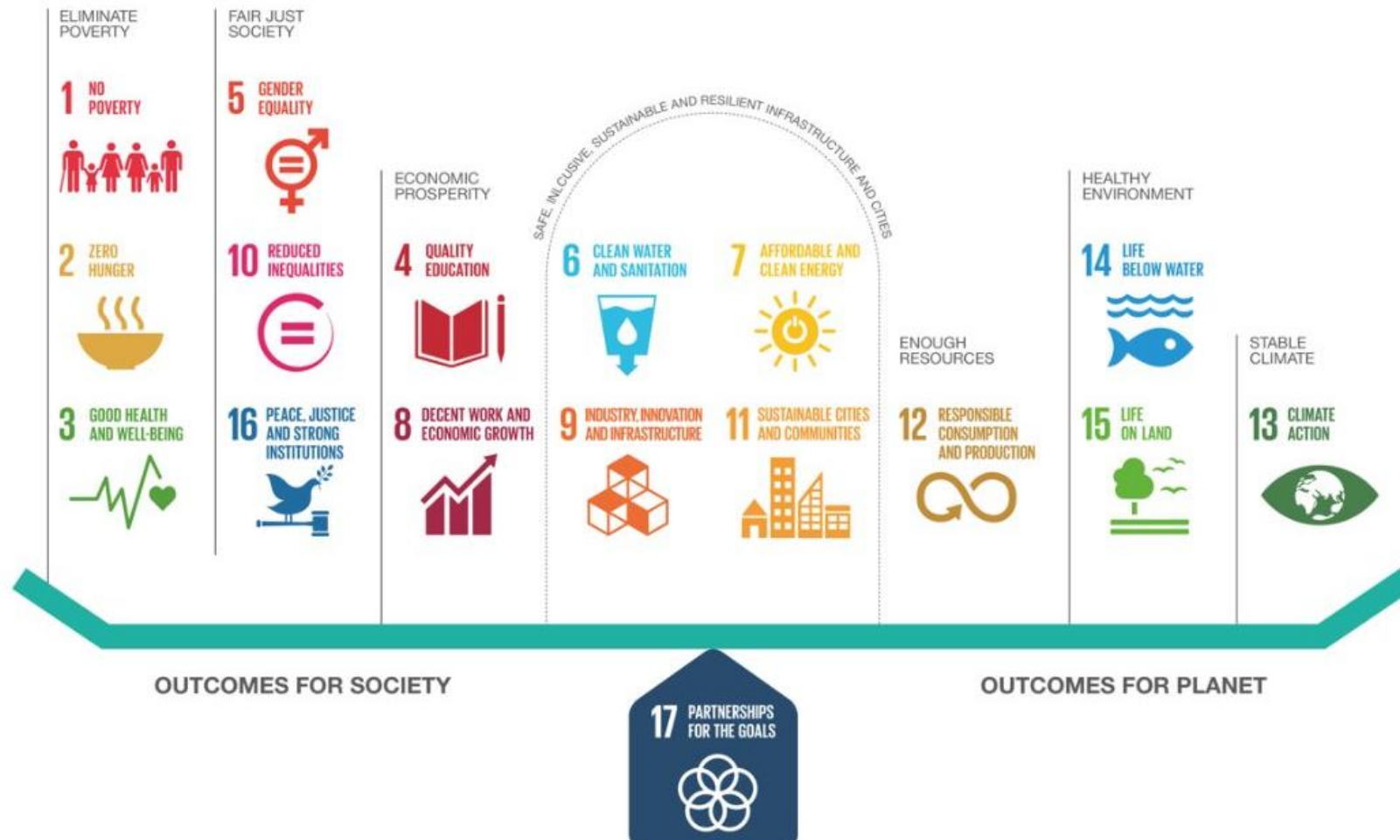
# Environmental Impact

Sub-set of indicators



# Social Impact

## Sustainable Development Goals Framework





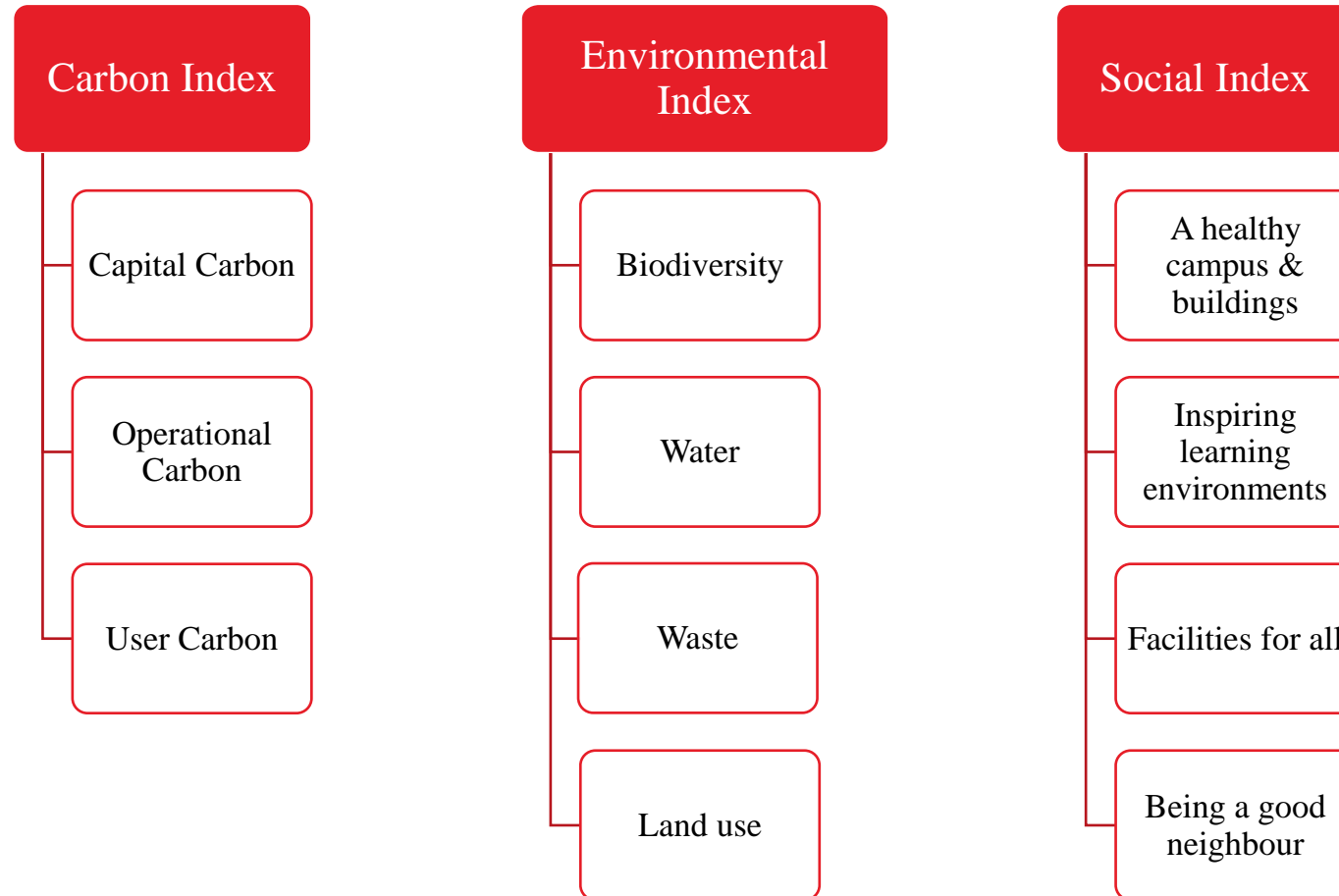
# Social Impact

Sub-set of indicators



# Holistic Impact Framework

## Indicators feeding into the 3 Indexes



# Holistic Impact Framework

Summary of results for Project B776: Preveessin heating plant



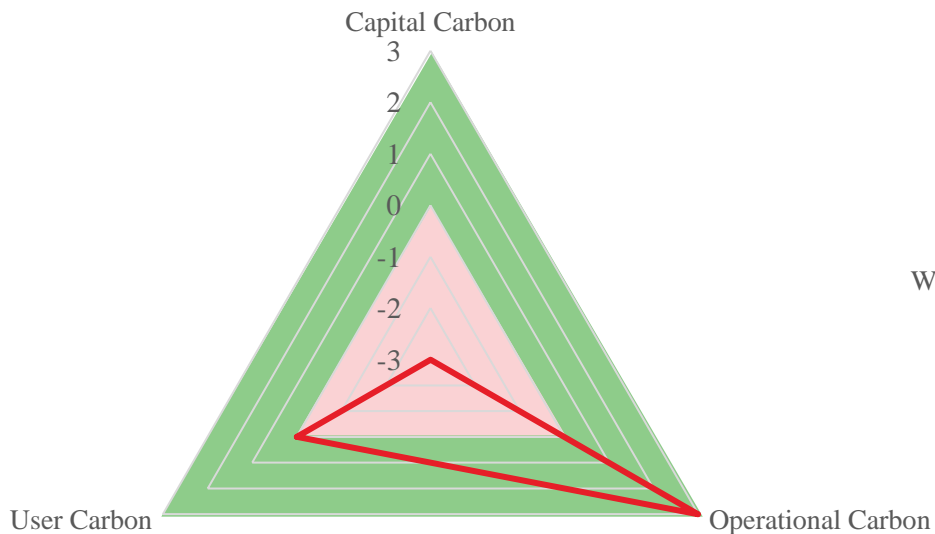
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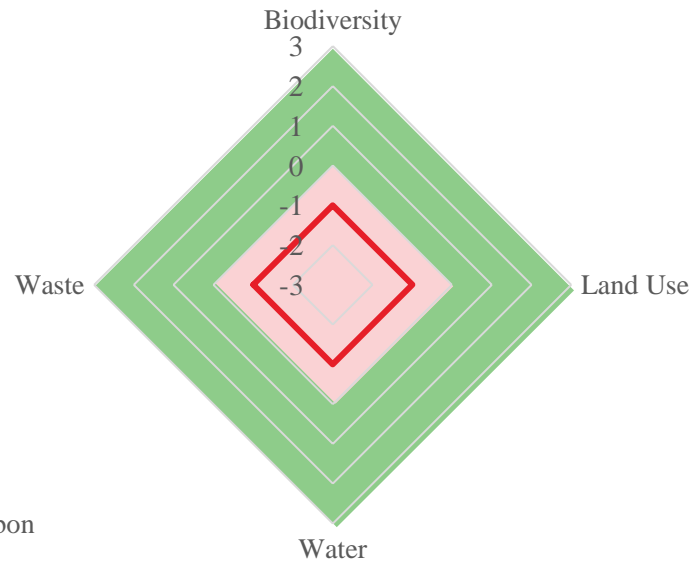
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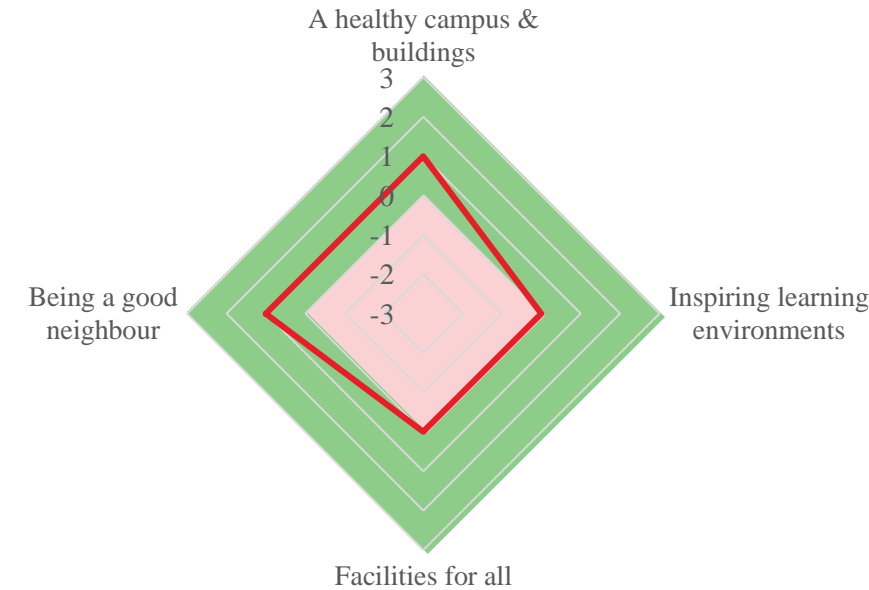
Social Impact



Carbon index: 0.00



Environmental index: -0.33



Social index: 0.17

# CERN RESP Dashboard

Last updated: December 2024

## CERN Campus Regenerative Environment and Social Programme (RESP)

### Project impacts

The Holistic Impact Framework (HIF) provides a process for including carbon, environmental and social impacts in decision making for campus projects on a scale of +3 to -3.

Select a project or domain to compare scores for the Carbon, Environmental and Social indicators.

- Key
- Score - B3150
  - Score - B60 consolidation
  - Score - B777

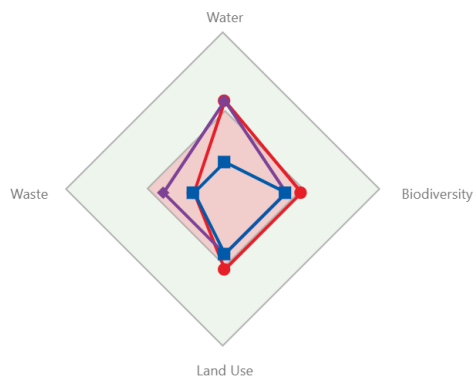
#### Project

Multiple selections

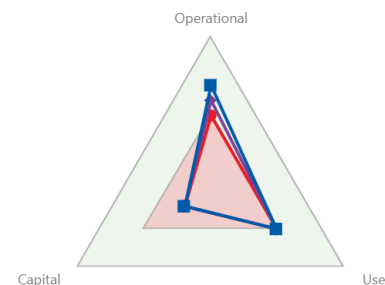
#### Domain

All

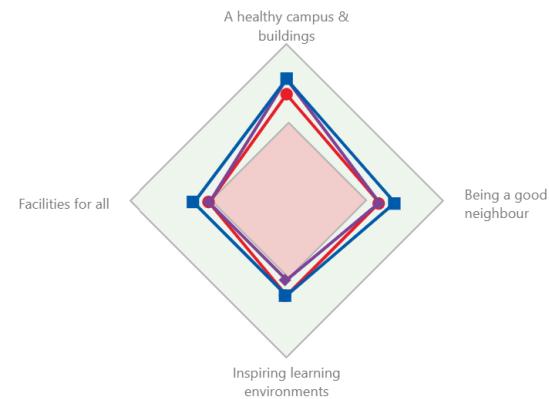
### Environmental impact



### Carbon impact



### Social impact



# Learning points

- Consider the holistic impacts of a project to inform decision making
- Use a consistent framework that can be applied to multiple project options to enable fair comparison
- Clear data visualisation (e.g. through dashboards) can enable stakeholders to use the holistic impact framework more readily

# STFC Environmental sustainability strategy

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Arup experience: example of environmental sustainability strategy with Science and Technology Facilities Council, UK

UK HEP Forum 2024: Sustainable future for HEP

<https://conference.ippp.dur.ac.uk/event/1322/timetable/#20241126>

# Key takeaways for ETO

- Lessons learnt from CERN demonstrate importance of considering sustainability at the early stage, in a wide and holistic sense.
- The importance of sustainability considerations is core to the value engineering, costing and design optimisation decision making process.
- Various drivers and challenges which need to be identified and planned through in consistent ways.
- Collaboration and coordination is key for successful implementation of sustainable development.
- Using a consistent framework enables evaluation and fair comparison of of baselines that can be continuously evaluated with design development.



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