











Getting Ready for Zero Emissions and 100% Renewable Energy: Plans and Scenarios to Pave the Way for the Transition

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Bringing Plans and Scenarios into the Climate Strategies Beyond Paris by Paul Allen (CAT) and Isabel Bottoms (Track 0)





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WHO'S GETTING READY FOR ZERO?

A report on the state of play of zero carbon modelling





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WHO'S GETTING READY FOR ZERO?

| Country | Who | What | URL |
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| Australia | Beyond Zero Emissions | Zero Carbon Australia | http://bze.org.au/ |
| Belgium | Vito & Belgian Federal Planning Bureau | Towards 100% renewable energy in Belgium by 2050 | http://energie.wallonie.be/servlet/ Repository/130419-backcasting- finalreport.pdf?ID=28161 |
| Bhutan | Royal Government of Bhutan | A national strategy and action plan for low carbon development | http://www.ea-energianalyse.dk/ reports/1148 bhutan a national strategy and action plan for low- carbon_development.pdf |
| Chile | Mitigation Action Plans & Scenarios (MAPS) | MAPS Chile – Mitigation options for a low carbon development | http://www.mapsprogramme.org/ wp-content/uploads/Chile-Phase-2- Synthesis-of-Results English Final.pdf |
| Costa Rica | Costa Rica Climate Change Dep. | Carbon Neutral by 2021 | http://www.cambioclimaticocr. com/2012-05-22-19-47-24/ empresas-y-organizaciones-hacia-la- carbono-neutralidad-2021 |
| Croatia | University of Zagreb | Planning for a 100% independent energy system [in Croatia] | http://www.sciencedirect.com/science/ article/pii/S1359431111001463 |

Our new report *Who's Getting Ready for Zero?* maps out how different actors at national, regional and city levels are already modelling the elimination of GHGs on science—based timeframes compatible with 2°C. The report draws on results from over 100 scenarios that demonstrate how we can reach low or zero emissions before the second half of the century with existing technology and without harming social or economic development. We feature 27 of these in more detail to showcase work occurring in developed and developing countries, covering both low as full decarbonisation scenarios.

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WHO'S GETTING READY FOR ZERO?

GLOBAL



| Who | World Wildlife Fund, Ecofys and the Office for Metropolitan Architecture | |
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| What | The Energy Report – 100% Renewable Energy by 2050 | |
| When | 2011 | |
| Key | LOW CO, NG 📢 💽 | |

REGIONAL















This research describes how the high growth rates of new renewable energy technology capacities enable the transformation of the energy system. It shows that North-East Asia has excellent solar resources, for example in the Gobi desert, which could be used to meet demand in highly populated areas of China, Korea and Japan. This study presents a spatially and hourly resolved energy system model for the region with a 100% renewable energy supply for the electricity demand.

COUNTRIES





| Country | Ethiopia | |
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| Who | Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia | |
| What | The path to sustainable development — Ethiopia's Climate-Resilient Green Economy Strategy | |
| When | 2011 | |
| Key | ZERO GHGS G 😚 🔠 | |

The government of Ethiopia aims to achieve carbon-neutral middle-income status before 2025 and build a climate-resilient green economy.

CITY

















What are the barriers & How do we overcome them?

- Changing how millions of people live is a very special kind of problem
- The forces that shape our lives exist on many different levels.
- Tackling such a complex global challenge requires a new kind of approach
- Joining up research and practice across disciplines, borders, sectors and scales.



What are the barriers & How do we overcome them?

- Science
- Technology
- Economics
- Psychology
- Philosophy
- Sociology
- History
- Democracy
- Law
- Culture
- Spirit



What we like in the COP21 text

- Peaking of global GHG ASAP
- The term "decarbonisation" is still in the text
- Recognition that peaking requires deeper cuts for developed countries
- Recognition of 1.5 as the real target
- Developed/developing solidarity as shown by the High Ambition Coalition includes 79 African, Caribbean and Pacific countries, the European Union and the U.S.
- The EU has agreed to pay \$519m to support climate action until 2020.
- India formed a Solar Alliance of 120 countries to ramp up renewables

What we don't like in the COP21 text

- Text describes the end point 1.5C / 2C guardrail, but no definition of delivery
- Unclear when the 5 year post Paris pathway to increase ambition will START
- Aviation and shipping need to be in there!!!
- Rich countries do not want possibility of liability & compensation obligations for the effects of climate change (US Congress would never accept it)
- No clear plan to deal with the fact the INDC's equal 2.7C so urgent plan for ambition we have a destination but no clear map and no bicycle!!

What we want to see in the COP21 text

- Clear Zero Emissions Goal which meets the science
- Review period to increase ambition starts now!
- Global practitioners / modellers network detailed plans for all countries
- Making it happen interdisciplinary initiative
- Full cost accounting for all energy use
- Recognition of liabilities for continuing carbon
- Highlight co-benefits!

FULL REPORT:

www.track0.org/works/whos-getting-ready-for-zero-full-report