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# OpenMinds & NextGen Overview







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# OpenMinds Identity



## OUR MISSION

**Less emissions. More energy.**

Accelerate progress against the Dual Challenge by 203X

- 100+ volunteer experts
- 501(c)(3)
- Disciplined non-partisan selection process
- 360° systems engineering approach

## WHAT MAKES US UNIQUE



**Energy AND climate**



**Cross-functional expert team**



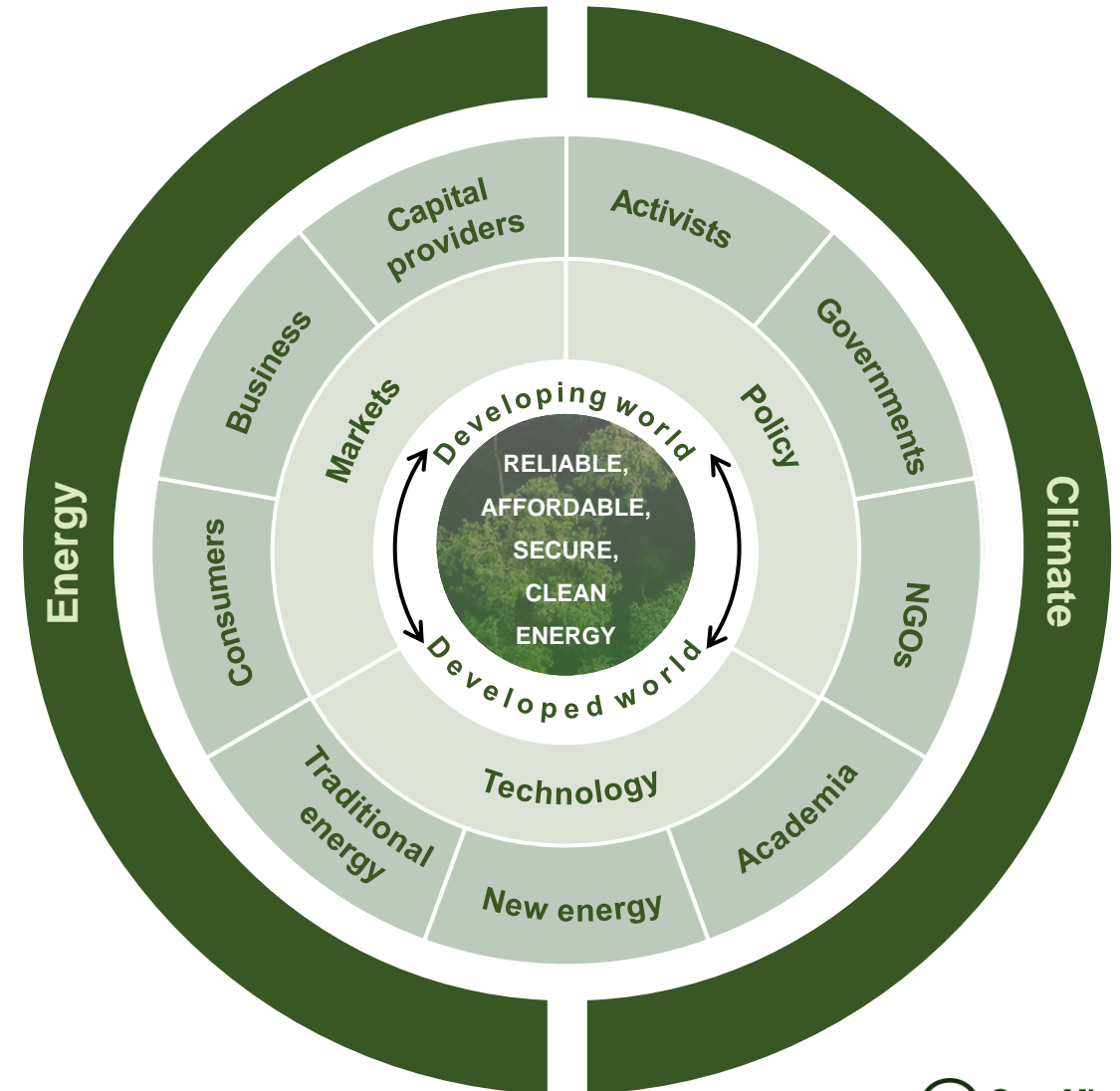
**Detailed solutions framework**



**Impact progress by 203X**

# OpenMinds' Solution Approach

We believe that addressing the Dual Challenge requires us to work together in a **non-partisan** manner across **diverse** fields, industries, and geographies





# The OpenMinds Team

Industry	Role and company
<b>Mr. John Arnold</b>	Founder & CEO, Arnold Ventures
<b>Mr. John Berger</b>	Founder & CEO, Sunnova Energy International
<b>Mr. Scott Brown</b>	Founder and Chairman, New Energy Capital
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<b>Mr. Bob Flexon</b>	Chairman, PG&E
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<b>Dr. Mike Witt</b>	VP & Chief Sustainability Officer, Northrop Grumman

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<b>Dr. Reginald DesRoches</b>	President, Rice University
<b>Mr. Hal Harvey</b>	Founder, Energy Innovation
<b>Mr. Mac Heller</b>	Documentary Film Producer
<b>Mr. John Hickenlooper</b>	Former Governor, State of Colorado   Current US Senator, State of Colorado
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<b>Mr. Brady Walkinshaw</b>	CEO, Earth Alliance
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Hosts	Role and Company
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<b>Mr. James Baird</b>	Associate Partner, Bain & Company
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<b>Mr. Julian Critchlow</b>	Advisory Partner, Bain & Company
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<b>Ms. Dianne Ledingham</b>	Advisory Partner, Bain & Company
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## The Dual Challenge: An Overview



**Energy** is fundamental to human wellbeing and flourishing...



... but our primary energy sources, fossil fuels, are also the principal source of human greenhouse gas emissions, which **cause global warming**



The tension between energy supply and climate change presents the **Dual Challenge**

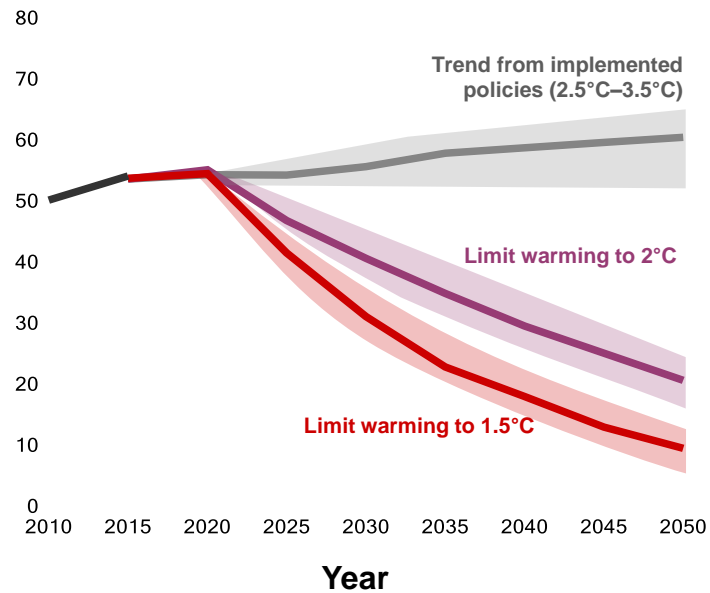


This is a **global** problem of enormous **scale and complexity**, and addressing it will require us to balance **competing priorities**

# The Core of the Dual Challenge

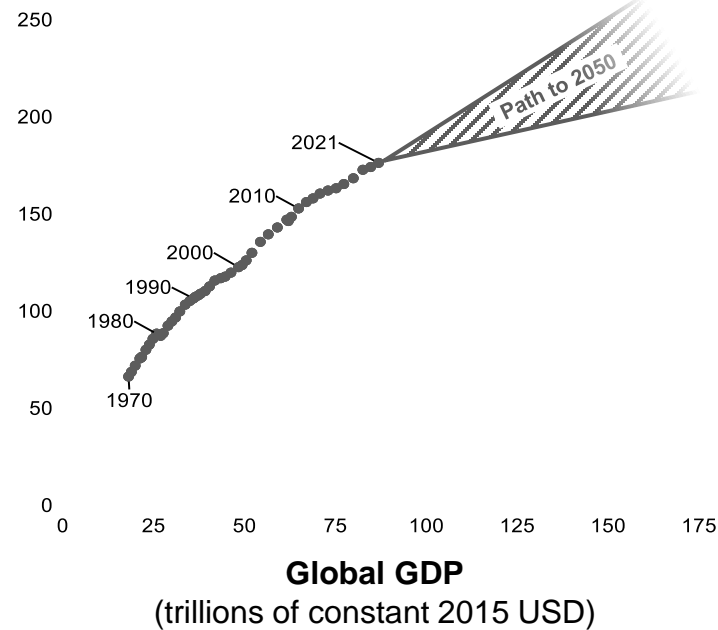
## Emissions Must Decline

Global annual greenhouse gas emissions  
(gigatons of CO<sub>2</sub>-equivalent)



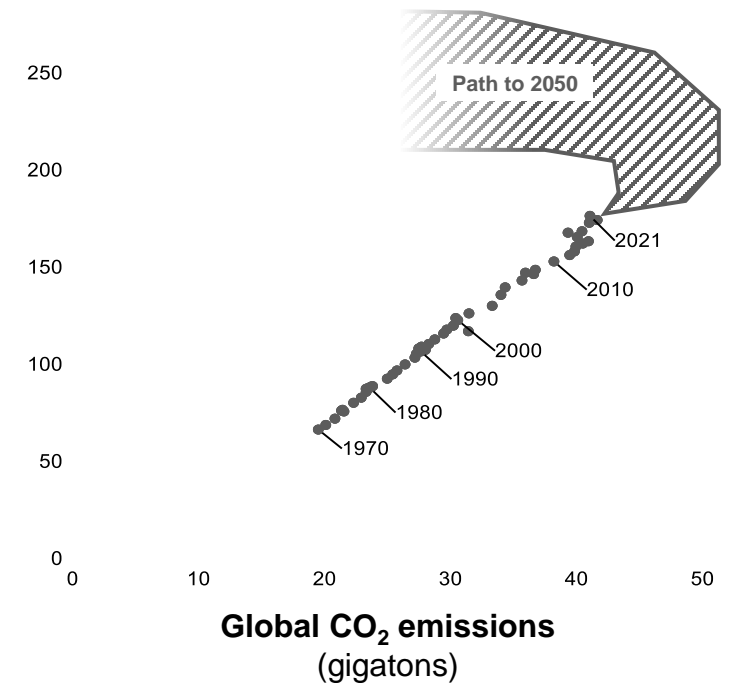
## Energy Will Grow

Global primary energy demand  
(petawatt-hours)



## The Dual Challenge

Global primary energy demand  
(petawatt-hours)



Note: Warming figures in left-side emissions chart are relative to the preindustrial period and reflect projected warming level by 2100 in each scenario; bold lines in emissions chart represent median estimate, and shaded regions reflect a range from the 25th to 75th percentile. Emissions in right-side chart reflect global CO<sub>2</sub> emissions inclusive of land use change and exclude non-CO<sub>2</sub> emissions like methane.

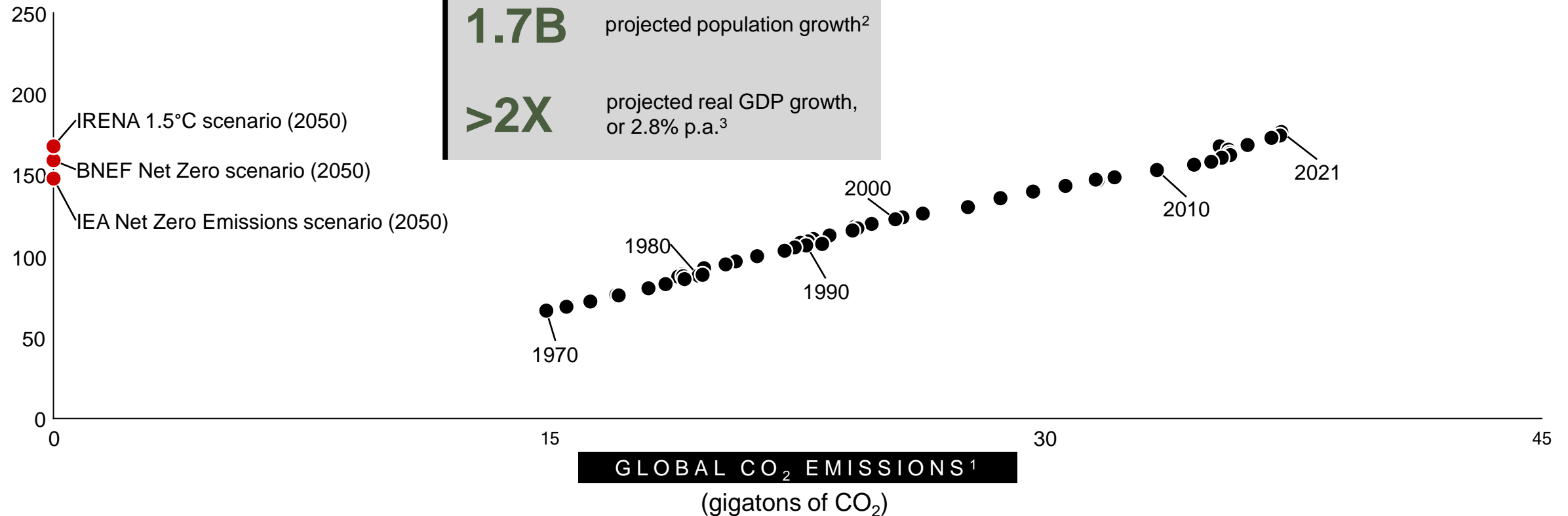
Sources: IPCC, Sixth Assessment Report; World Bank; Global Carbon Project; BP Statistical Review of World Energy, 2022; Bain & Company analysis



# The Line?

# Needs to Bend... Quickly!

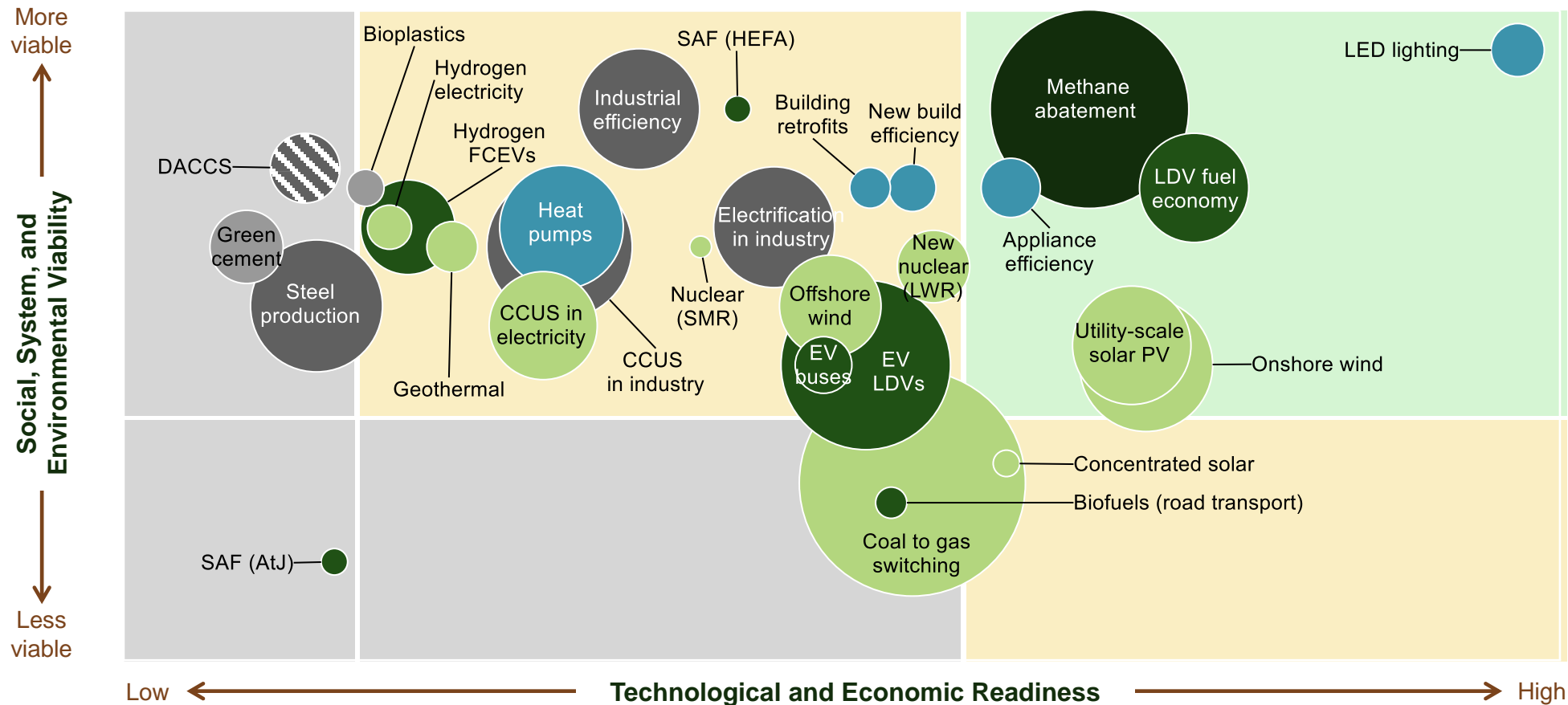
Global primary energy demand  
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Note: (1) CO<sub>2</sub> emissions exclude land use change and exclude non-CO<sub>2</sub> emissions like methane; (2) UN median fertility scenario; (3) GDP expressed in 2021 USD in purchasing power parity terms via IEA; (4) IEA STEPS scenario temperature estimate range reflects 33-67% confidence interval. Source: IEA; BP Statistical Review of World Energy, 2022; BNEF; IRENA; Resources for the Future



# Prioritization of Potential Solutions



Key impact areas for solutions:

- Electricity generation from fossil fuels
- Oil and oil products for transportation
- Energy usage in buildings
- Fugitive emissions
- Industrial processes
- Other

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Note: Abatement potential refers to medium-term annual CO<sub>2</sub>e emissions reduction; building efficiency and retrofits refers to insulation and HVAC only; DACCS abatement potential virtually infinite; industrial efficiency includes solutions such as waste to heat recovery; renewable solutions include battery component in cost and abatement potential; geothermal represents enhanced geothermal systems; assumes methane has global warming potential 30 times that of CO<sub>2</sub>

Source: IEA; IRENA; Goldman Sachs; Project Drawdown; OpenMinds research and lit. scan



# Our Top 10 Solutions

## 'Top 10' solutions

**Prioritized set of solutions** with high viability and sufficient technological and economic readiness to “bend the curve” by 203X

Big 4 opportunities

Abating methane emissions from energy	Renewables (i.e., solar and wind)	Coal-to-gas switching	CCUS in electricity and industry
Transportation energy efficiency	Industrial efficiency and electrification	Electric LDVs	Heat pumps
		New and existing nuclear	Buildings efficiency

## Other important solutions

Solutions that **may be critically important** but are assessed as having less overall impact potential by 203X relative to our list of ‘top 10’ solutions

Behavioral change	Adaptation	We are considering whether and how to incorporate these more fully into our efforts	
Distributed generation	Green steel and cement	Nature-based solutions	Hydrogen
LED lighting	Direct air capture	Geothermal	Circular economy

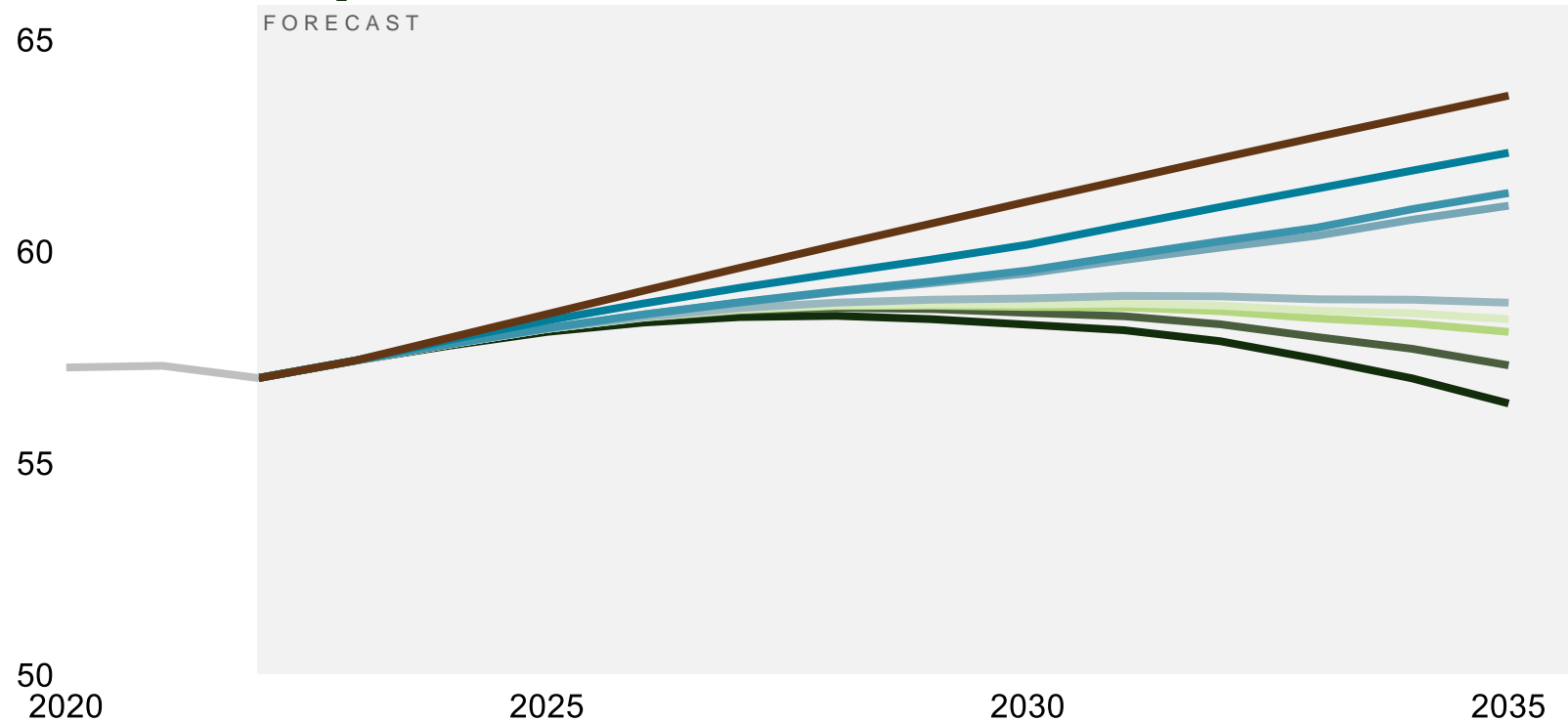


# Impact of Implementing Key Solutions

## Projected emissions impact

Global annual net GHG emissions

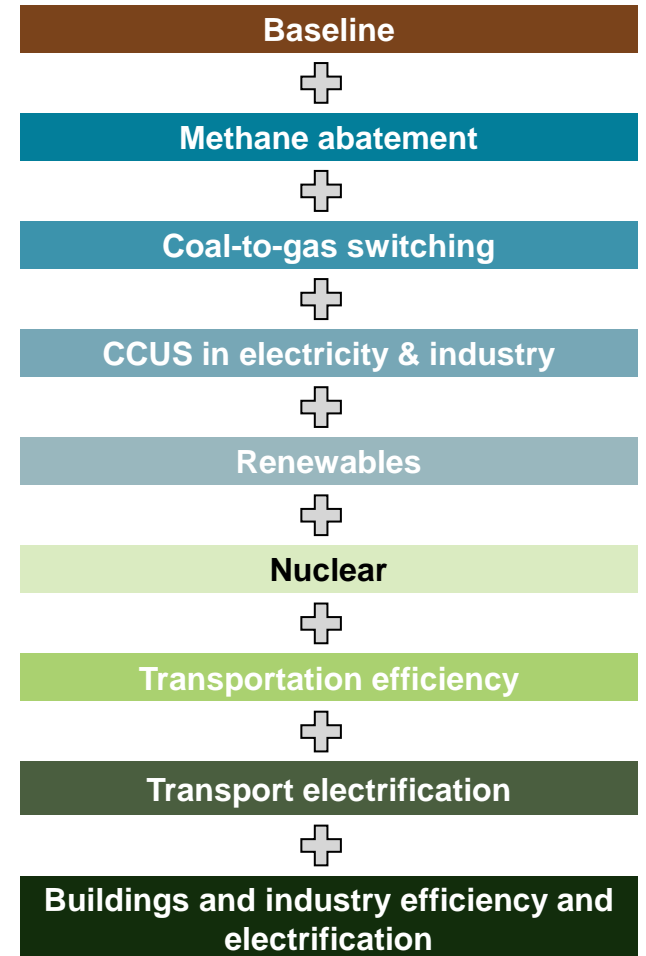
GIGATONS OF CO<sub>2</sub>E PER YEAR



Source: Climate Interactive

<https://openminds203x.org/>

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# Become a part of a movement of next generation leaders that *will change the world*

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## High-Caliber Network



Join a widely recognized global network of the best and **brightest climate & energy leaders** with expertise across all areas of the energy transition

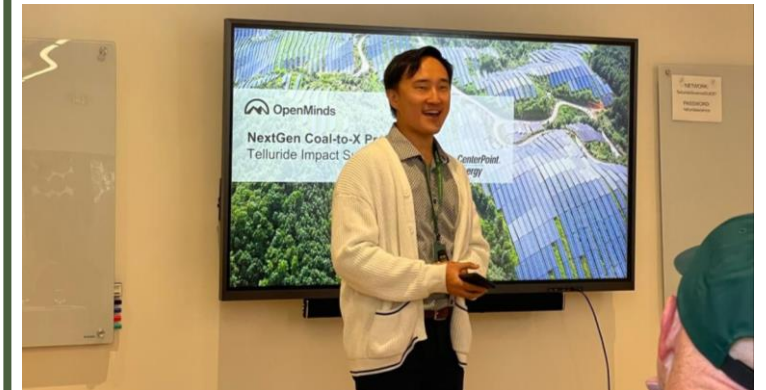
**Foster collaboration** from **interdisciplinary thinkers** committed to solving the Dual Challenge

## Strong Community



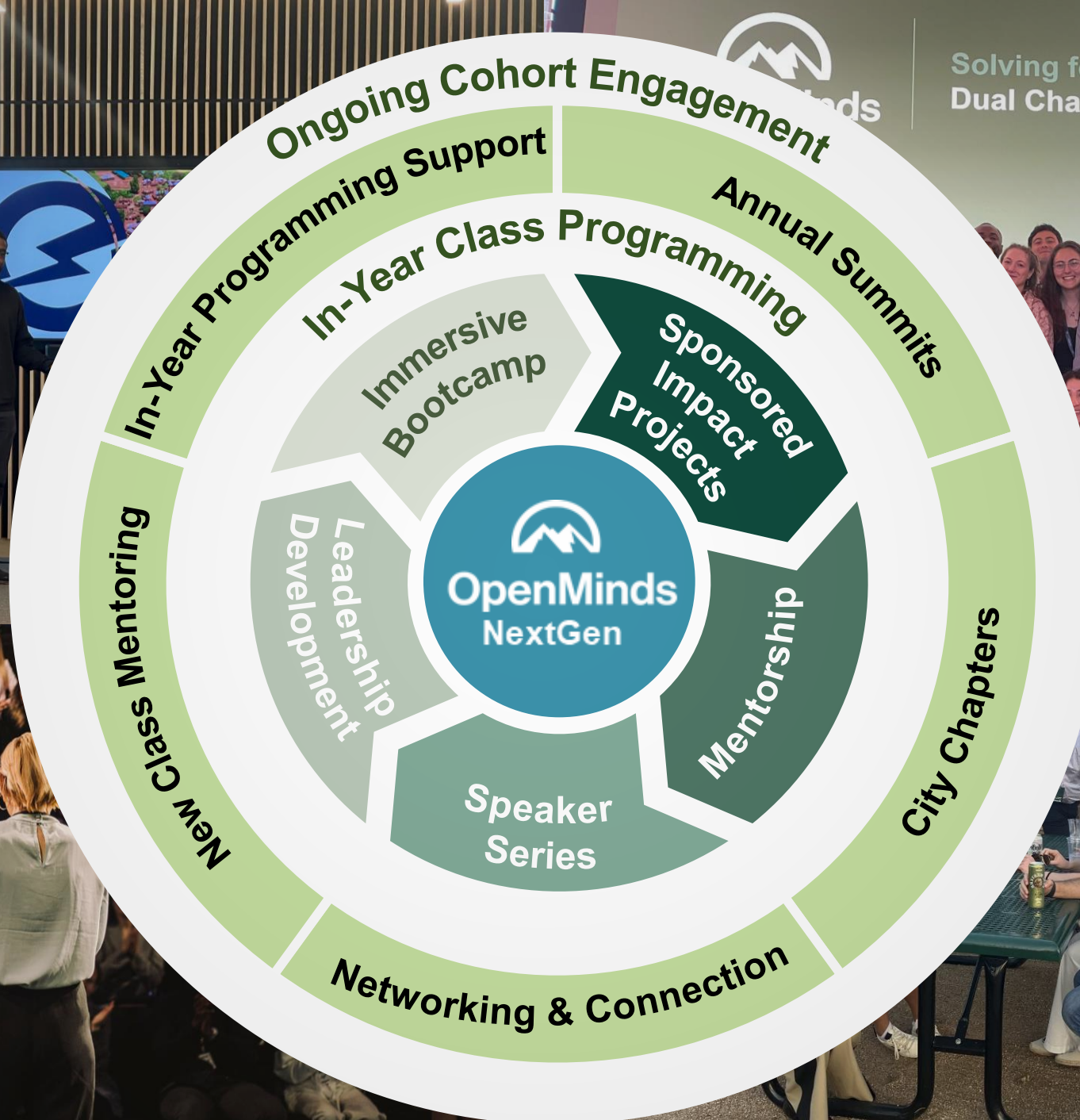
**Build strong connections** with fellow NextGen leaders and experts from academia, industry, and non-profits while **advancing your understanding** of the Dual Challenge

## Leadership Development



**Drive change** by launching **projects and new initiatives** with your cohort that help address the Dual Challenge





Solving for the  
Dual Challenge.



# OpenMinds NextGen Leaders Program Overview

## Mission

**ENABLE** and **EMPOWER** the next generation of climate and energy leaders **TO** take action on the Dual Challenge **BY** identifying, equipping, and connecting them with expertise and resources to succeed

## Programming

### Mentorship



Students are **paired with OpenMinds experts and alumni** based on their interests and career goals

### Immersive bootcamp



Students **participate in an immersion experience** to gain hands-on experience with OpenMinds and its mission

### Speaker series



Students attend **in-person and virtual events focused on energy and climate** (fireside chats, panel conversations, etc.)

### Leadership development



Students attend **educational sessions** focused on leadership traits and personal development

### Sponsored Projects



Students work together in teams on **high impact projects**, in partnership with **top energy and climate players**

## Student expectations

- **Attend and participate actively** in the bootcamp, and as many program events as possible (e.g. mentorship sessions, networking events) while sharing expertise with other participants
- **Attend all required NextGen programming sessions to gain and maintain access to the OpenMinds community.** Full participation is essential for fostering connections and fully benefiting from the program's resources
- **Provide feedback** on OpenMinds solution and progress areas via **collaboration with experts**
- Remain an **active alum of the program**—attending events as requested, **mentoring other students**, and contributing to **progress against the Dual Challenge**









# NextGen 2024 Bootcamp Highlights





# Overview of 2024 NextGen Sponsored Projects

Topic	Sponsor	Scope
Carbon Capture Utilization & Sequestration (CCUS)	 CALPINE®	What is the potential <b>impact</b> from implementing CCUS on gas-fired plants?
Direct Air Capture (DAC)	 CarbonCapture™	Who are <b>high priority customer segments</b> for Direct Air Capture, and what is the potential impact from serving them?
Methane Abatement	 QUANTUM CAPITAL GROUP	How can <b>small-to-mid sized operators</b> be incentivized to pursue methane abatement, and what is the potential impact?
Coal-to-X switching	 CenterPoint Energy	What is the <b>risk from growing energy demand on coal plant phaseouts</b> , and what are some mitigation strategies?
Renewable Power	 NEXTERA ENERGY	How is <b>AI impacting energy demand growth</b> in the US, and what is the <b>potential to meet this demand with renewables</b> ?
Transmission	 GRID UNITED	What is the <b>potential impact of accelerating investment</b> in the grid by unleashing potential from <b>recent legislative policy</b> (e.g. EPRA)?





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# Apply by January 31<sup>st</sup>!

**OpenMinds NextGen Leaders Program:**  
Enable and empower the next generation of climate and energy leaders to take action on the Dual Challenge by identifying, equipping, and connecting them with expertise and resources to succeed

Apply to become a OpenMinds  
NextGen Leader

Deadline: January 31<sup>st</sup>, 2025

<https://bit.ly/ApplytoOpenMinds>



Learn more about OpenMinds at [Openminds203x.org](https://Openminds203x.org)

## What the program entails

- Interactive immersion through a **3-day bootcamp** with other students, industry experts, and policymakers
- Education on the Dual Challenge of energy + climate
- 1:1 mentorship with **top experts** in the climate and energy industry
- Networking with leaders from energy, climate, academia, policy, as well as students from top universities across the US & Europe
- Leadership opportunities to launch and **run cross-functional projects** that make an impact on the Dual Challenge

### Student Expectations



Commit ~1-5 hours per week on average across program elements



Participate in the bootcamp and share your expertise with other attendees



Drive projects for OpenMinds and remain an active member of the broader NextGen Leaders group