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OpenMinds

Accelerating Energy and Climate Progress



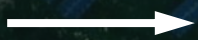
Access to Energy Enables Progress



And Progress Has Been Profound...

World
Population

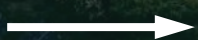
1.0B



7.8B

Average Life
Expectancy

29yrs



73yrs

Global Energy
Consumption

Global
GDP

1800

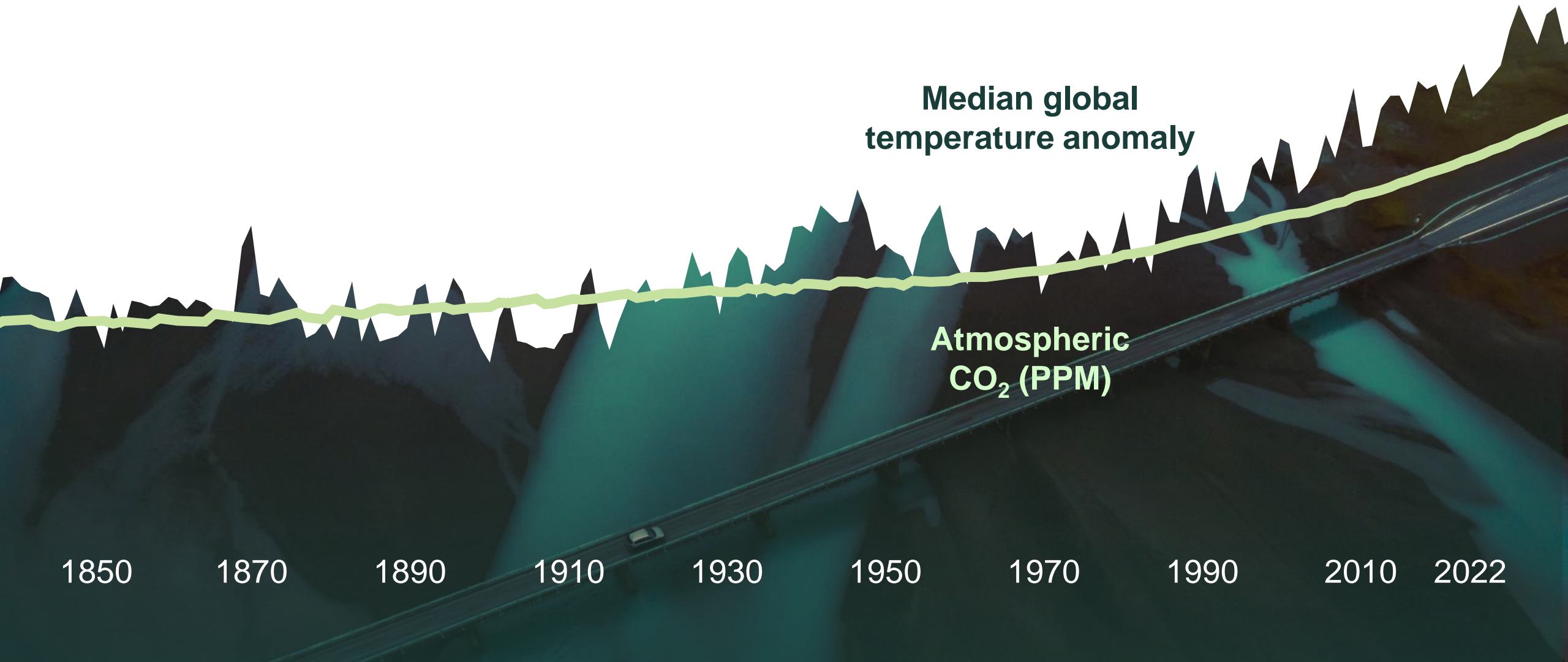
1850

1900

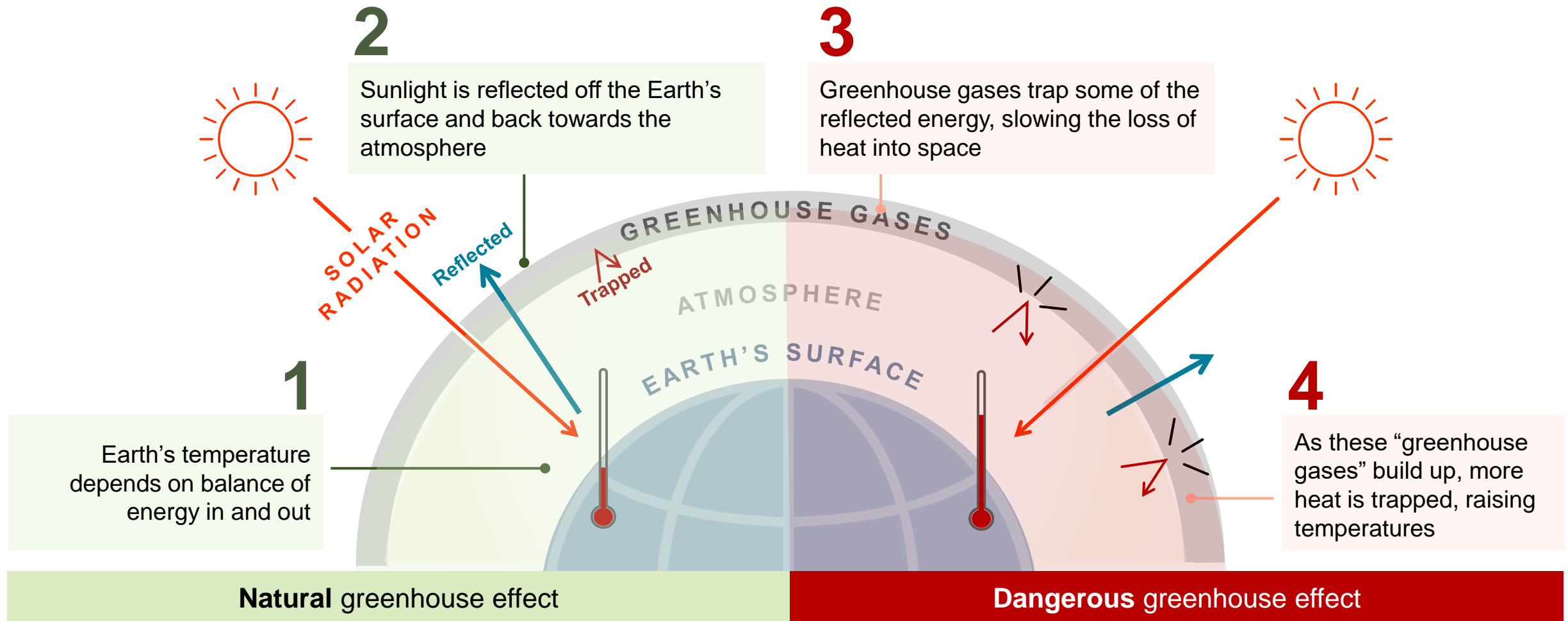
1950

2000

But CO₂ Concentrations and Temperatures Are Increasing



How “The Greenhouse Effect” Leads to Warming

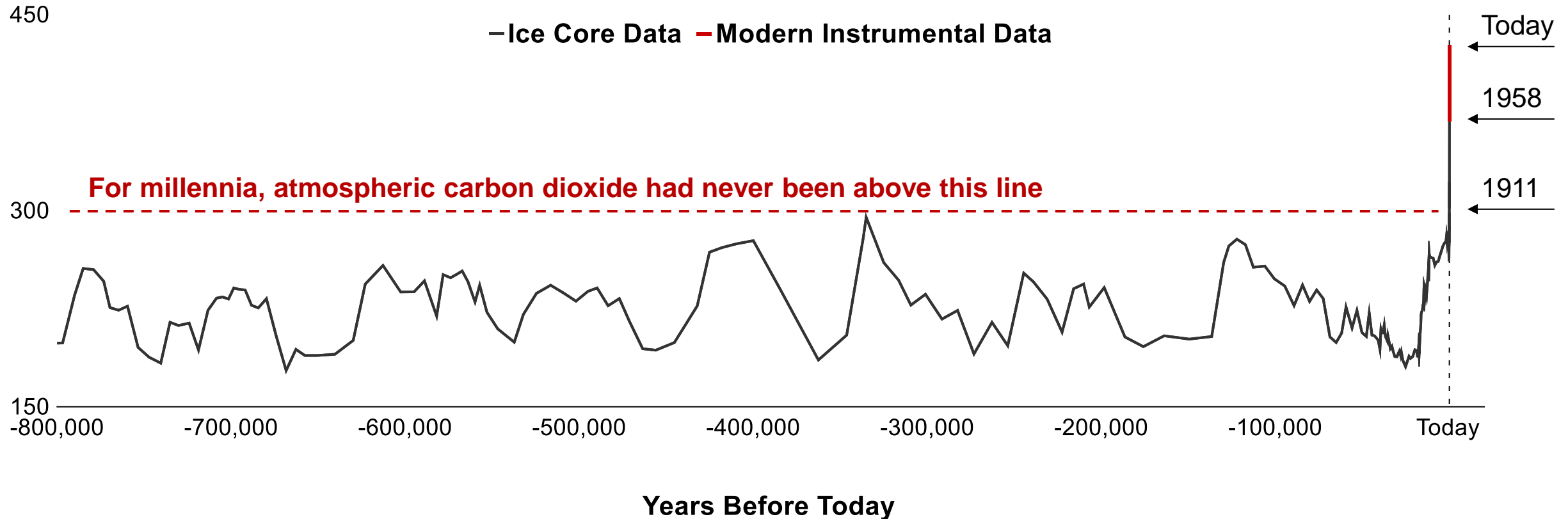


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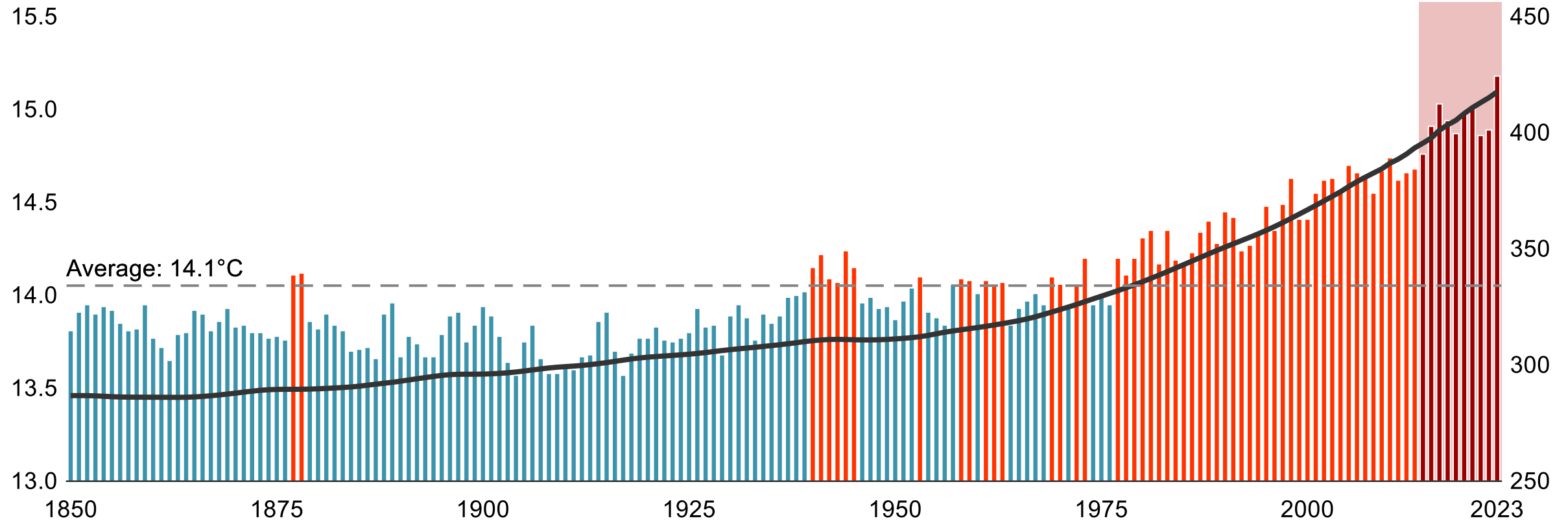
Atmospheric CO2 Has Skyrocketed in the Past Century

Carbon Dioxide Level (PPM)



The Last 10 Years Were the **10** Warmest on Record

Global land and ocean average temperature (°C)



Last Ice Age

when ~25% of Earth's land area was covered in glaciers



6°C

degrees **lower** than today

Age of the Dinosaurs

when crocodiles could be found above the Arctic Circle



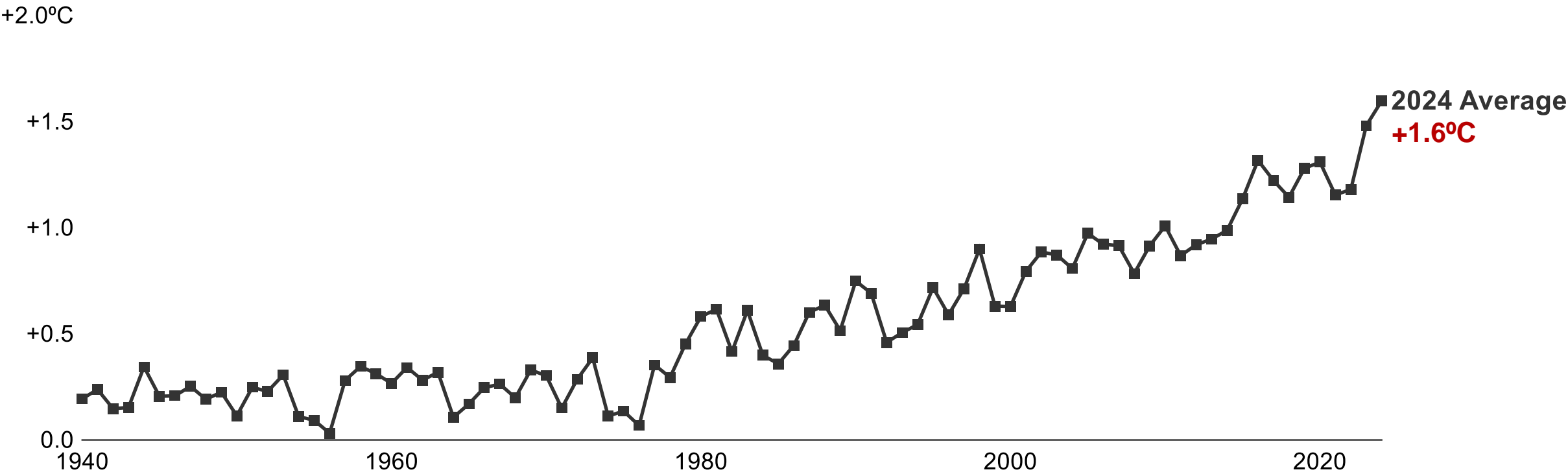
4°C

degrees **higher** than today

How much is
1.5°C?

Global Temperature Increase Averaged +1.6°C in 2024

Average Global Temperature Compared with Late-19th-Century Average



The Consequences of Warming are Real



Extreme
Weather

A photograph showing a city street completely flooded with murky water. In the background, a dense urban skyline with several tall skyscrapers is visible under a hazy, overcast sky. A white van is partially submerged in the water in the foreground, and a small red boat is visible further down the street.



Rising
Sea Levels

A photograph of a shanty town or informal settlement built on stilts over a body of water. The houses are made of corrugated metal and wood, and many are elevated on wooden posts. The water appears calm, and the sky is overcast.



Climate
Displacement

A photograph of a vast, flat landscape of dry, cracked earth. The ground is covered in a network of deep, irregular cracks, indicating severe drought. The horizon is flat and distant under a dark, overcast sky.

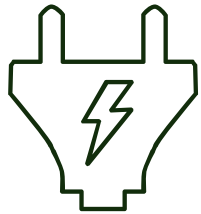


Reduced Food &
Water Security

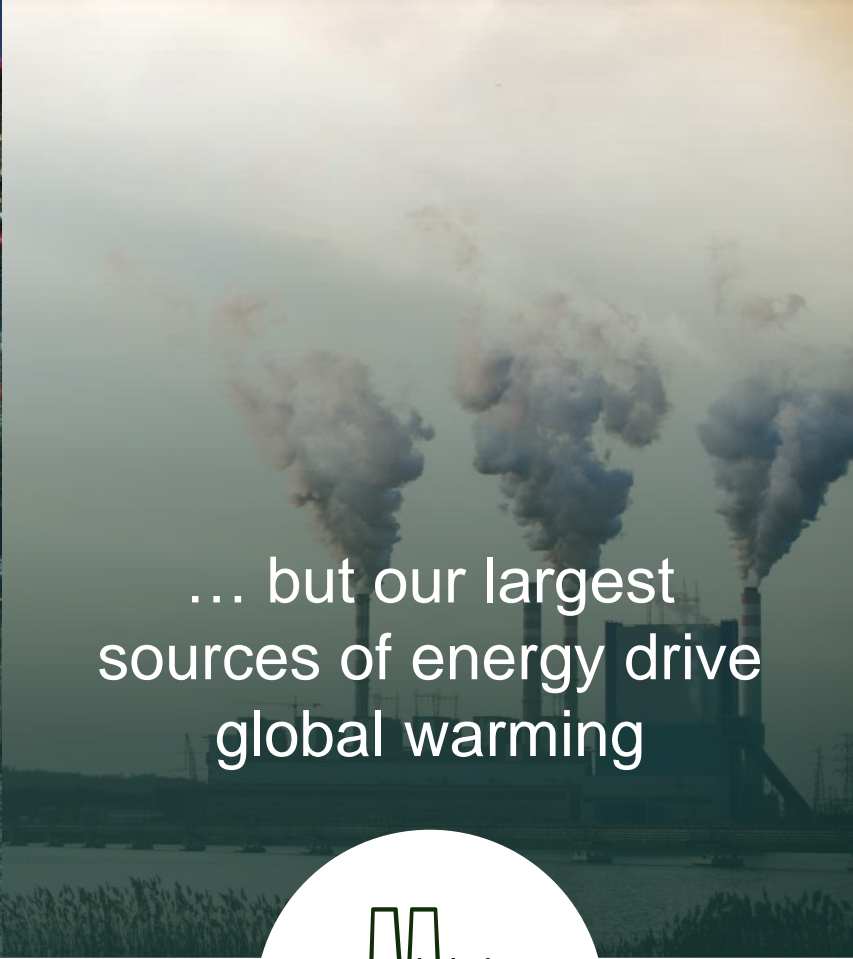
A photograph of a large, open field with rows of dry, brown vegetation. The plants appear to be dead or dying, and the ground is parched. The field stretches out to a flat horizon under a dark, overcast sky.



Human flourishing
and economic growth
require energy ...



**More
energy**



... but our largest
sources of energy drive
global warming



**Less
emissions**



**This is the
Dual Challenge**



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4 Our Solutions to Accelerate Progress

5 OpenMinds Taking Action

OpenMinds' Mission & Identity



OUR MISSION

More energy. Less emissions. Fast.

- 125+ 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

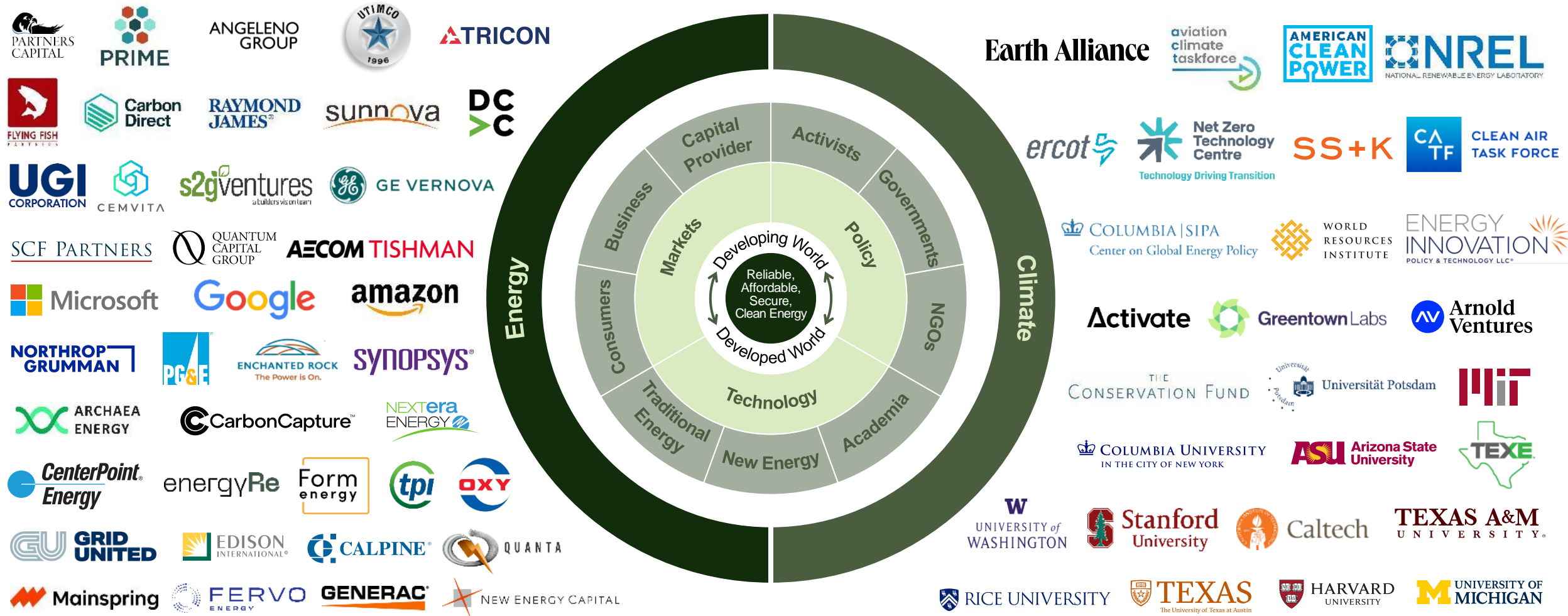


Detailed solutions framework



Impact progress by 203X

The OpenMinds Team... Energy AND Climate Experts



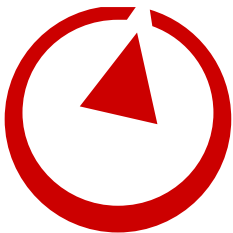
OpenMinds + Bain = Differentiated Impact



Energy and Climate



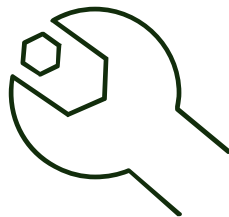
125+ Experts Across Key
Energy and Climate Sectors



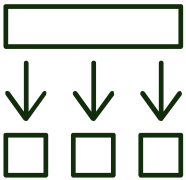
Bain Collaboration



Data-Driven



Practical Solutions
Framework and 10-Year
Horizon



Impact Projects Targeting
Key Bottlenecks



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OpenMinds ‘P50’ Outlook – Projecting Our Current Path

2035 forecasts included in the ‘P50’ Outlook

	 Global	 US
Energy Demand	✓	✓
Supply Mix	✓	✓
Emissions	✓	✓

Developed and reviewed by industry leaders

MODEL CREATION

IntersectSM
BAIN & COMPANY

Copenhagen
Economics

CE

EXPERT REVIEW



GE VERNOVA



CLEAN AIR
TASK FORCE



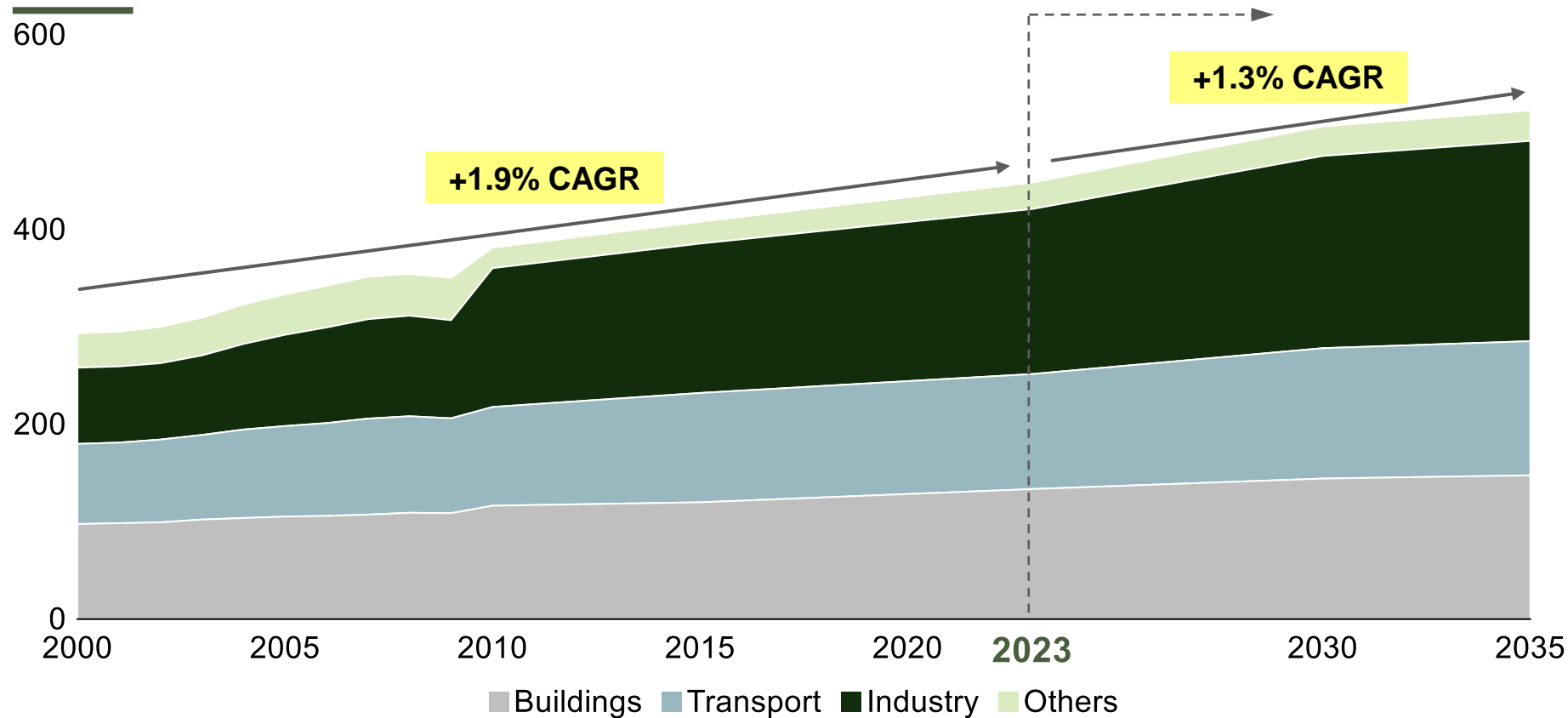
SCF PARTNERS
HOUSTON | CALGARY | ABERDEEN | SINGAPORE



NEW ENERGY CAPITAL

Global Energy Demand Continues to Grow

Total final consumption by end sector (EJ)



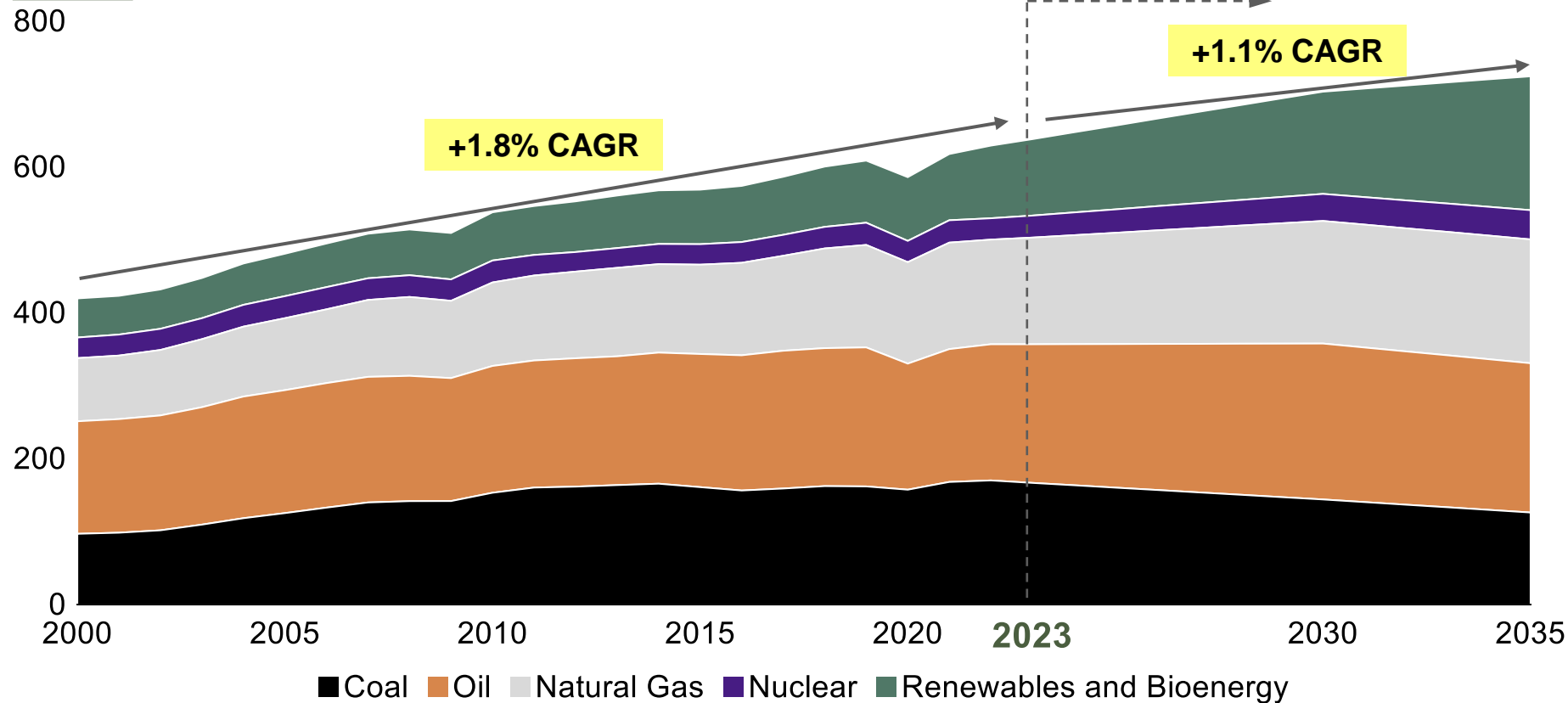
Outlook through 2035

+17% growth

- ...driven by **developing economies**
- ...partially offset by **reduced energy intensity**
- ...with **largest share from Industry**

The Global Energy Supply Mix is Shifting

Total primary energy supply (EJ)



Outlook through 2035

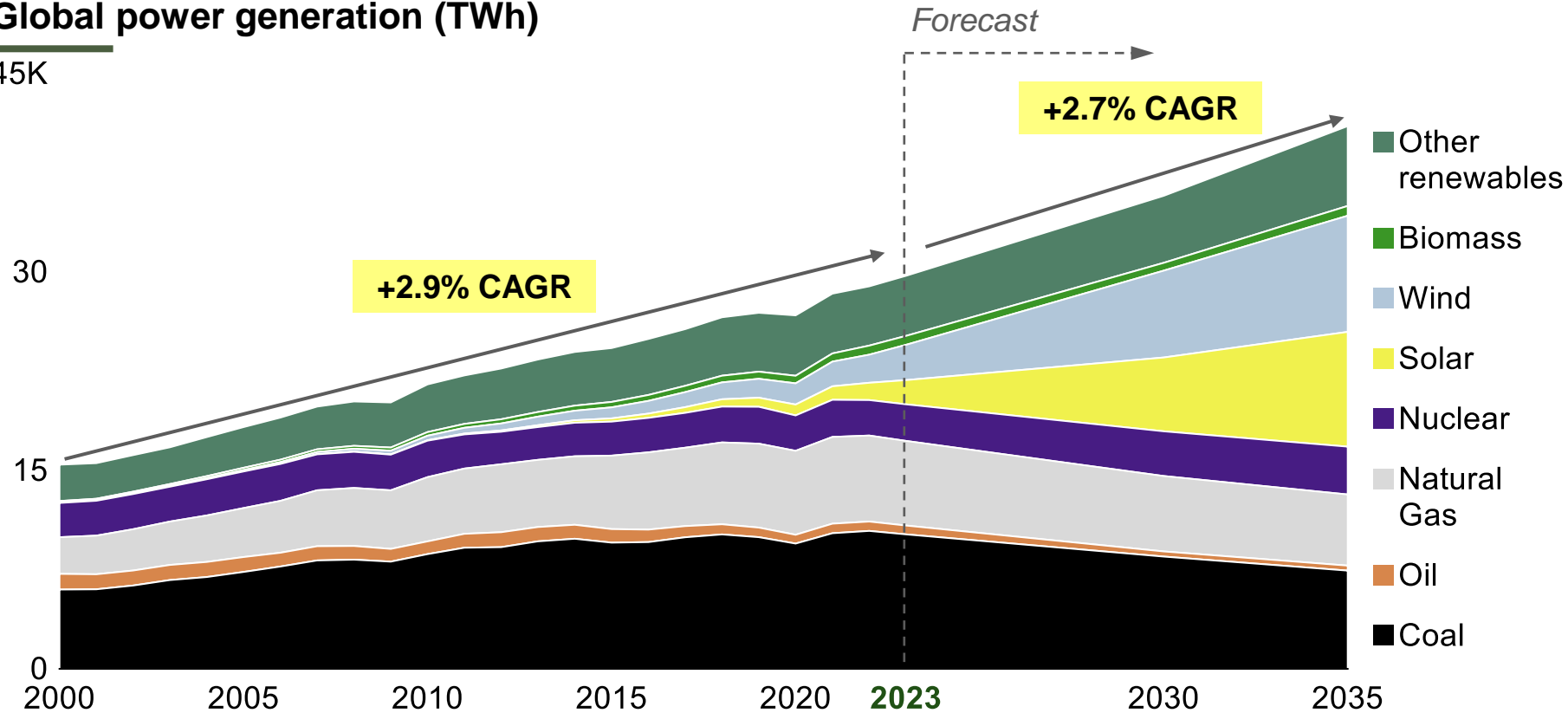
+14% growth

- ...as renewables surge to 25% of energy mix
- ...while oil peaks in 2030 and natural gas share holds steady
- ...partially offset by efficiency from electrification

Electricity is Growing Even Faster Than Primary Energy

Global power generation (TWh)

45K

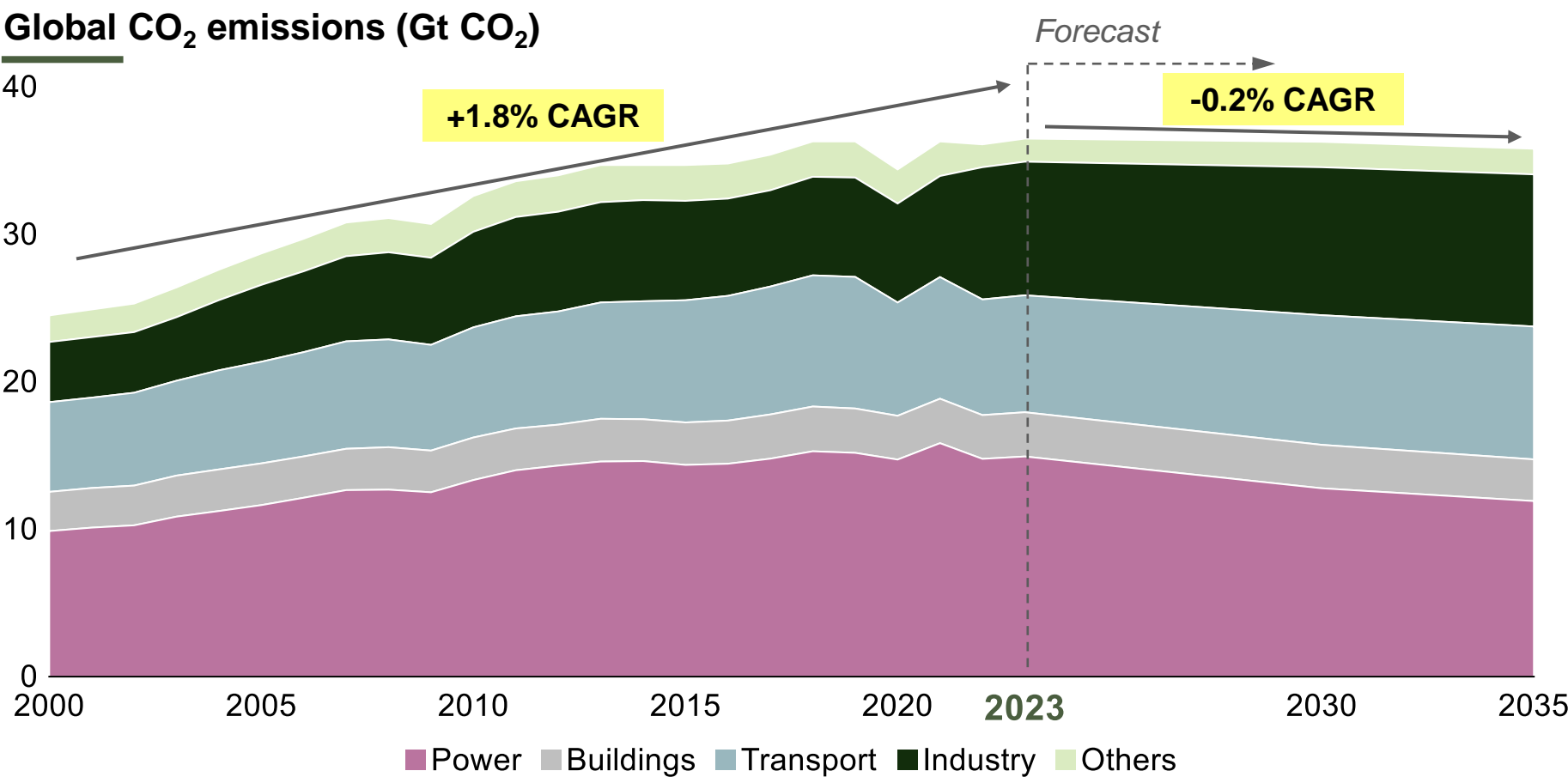


Outlook through 2035

+38% growth

- ... as **electricity** grows from 24% to 28% of total final consumption
- ... while **solar and wind** surge to 43% of generation
- ... amplified by **cheaper battery storage**

Global Carbon Emissions are Peaking



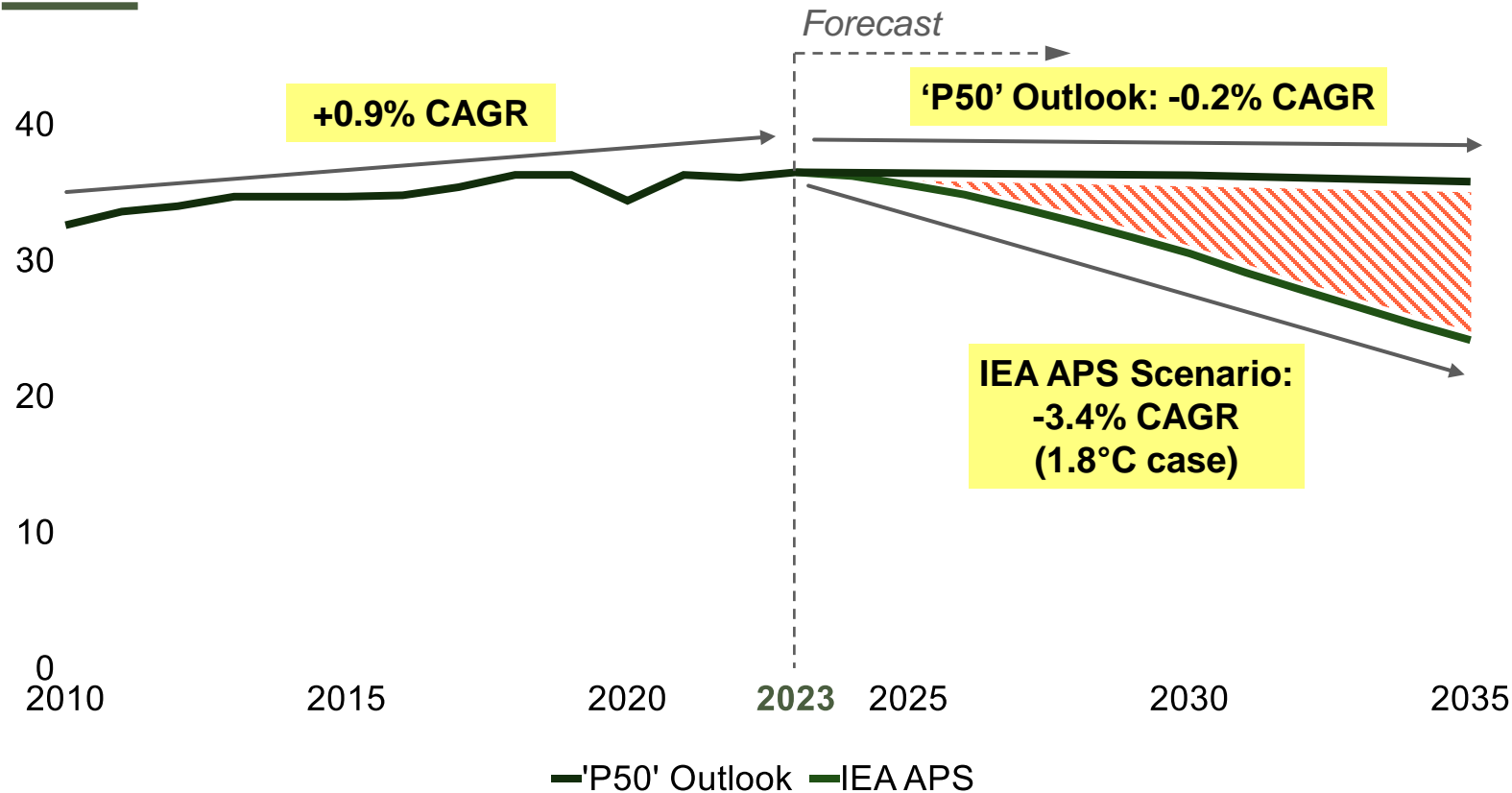
Outlook through 2035

Flattening

- ...as **China emissions peak by 2030**
- ...and **transport and industry electrify** in developed economies
- ...partially offset by **fuel-driven industrialization** in developing economies

We're Bending the Emissions Curve, Yet Face a Big Gap

Global CO₂ emissions (Gt CO₂)



The gap through 2035

~66Gt

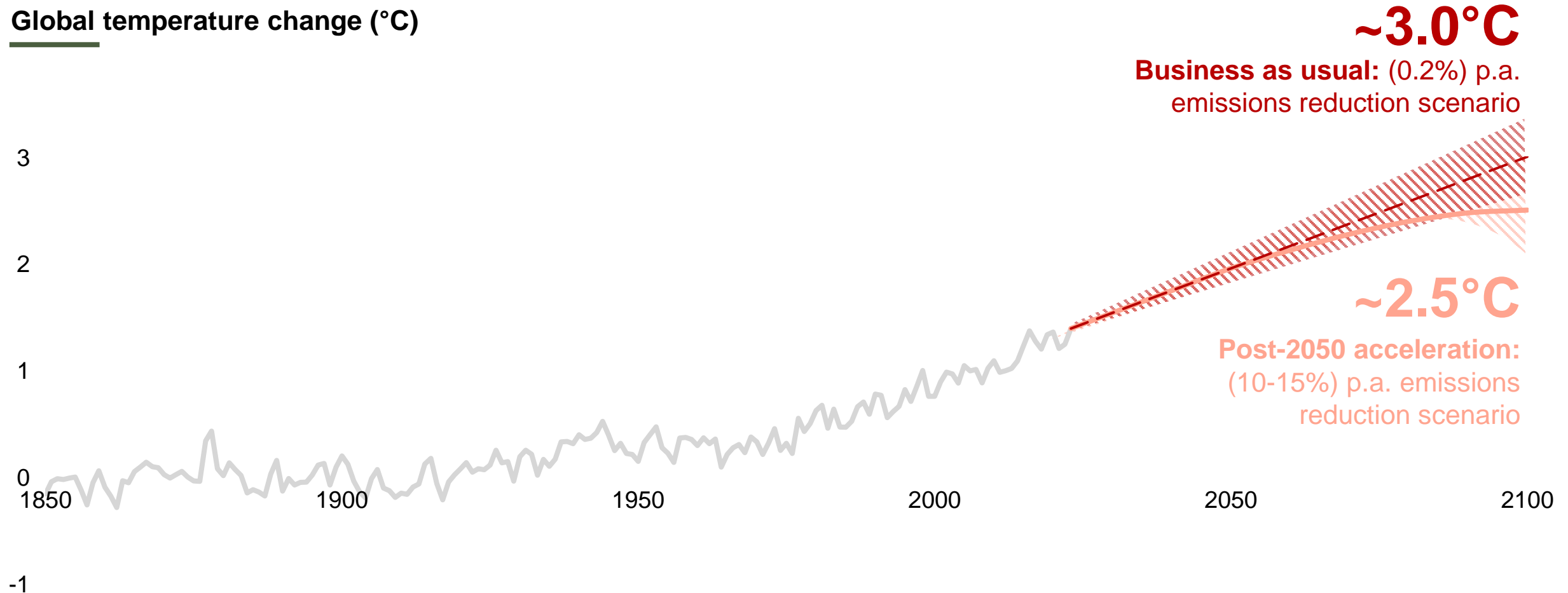
Total global CO₂ emissions gap between the 'P50' Outlook and 1.8°C scenario

-14%

Total global CO₂ emissions reduction needed to stay on track from '23-'35

Temperatures Will Increase Without Further Progress

Global temperature change (°C)



To Recap: OpenMinds' 2035 Energy & Climate Outlook



**Energy
Demand...**

Up 15%

**Oil
Demand...**

2030 Peak

**Natural Gas
Demand...**

Up 15%

**Renewable
Energy...**

25% of mix

**Carbon
Emissions...**

Peak

**Global
Temperature...**

Up 2.5-3.0°C





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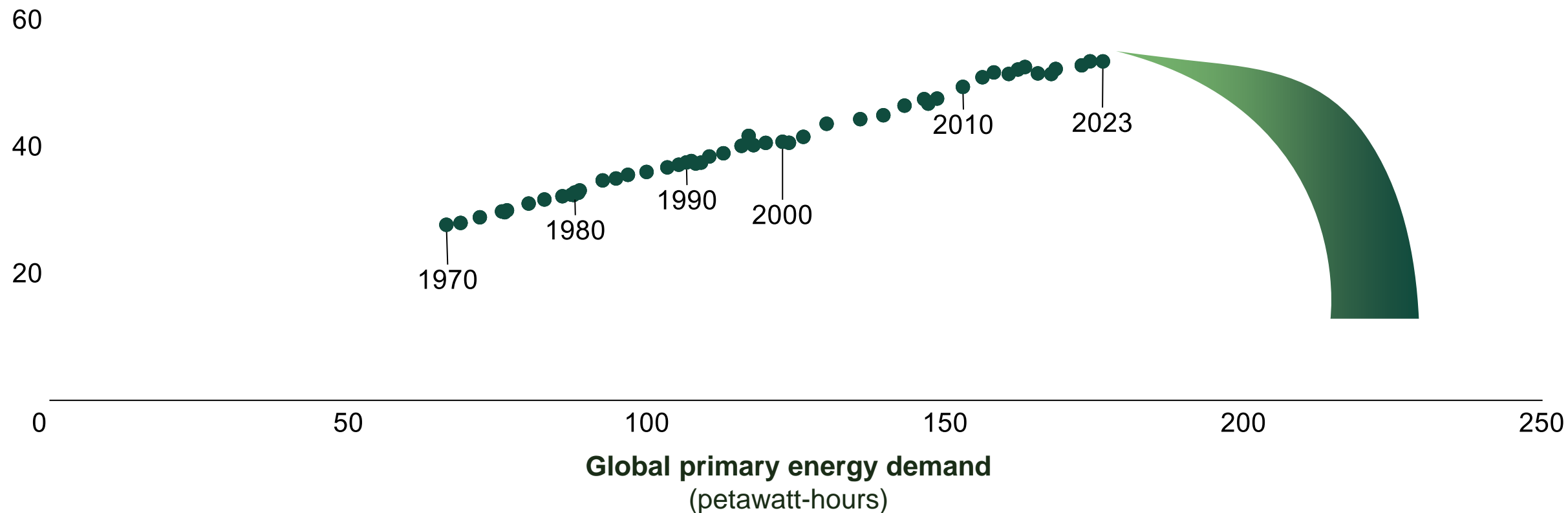
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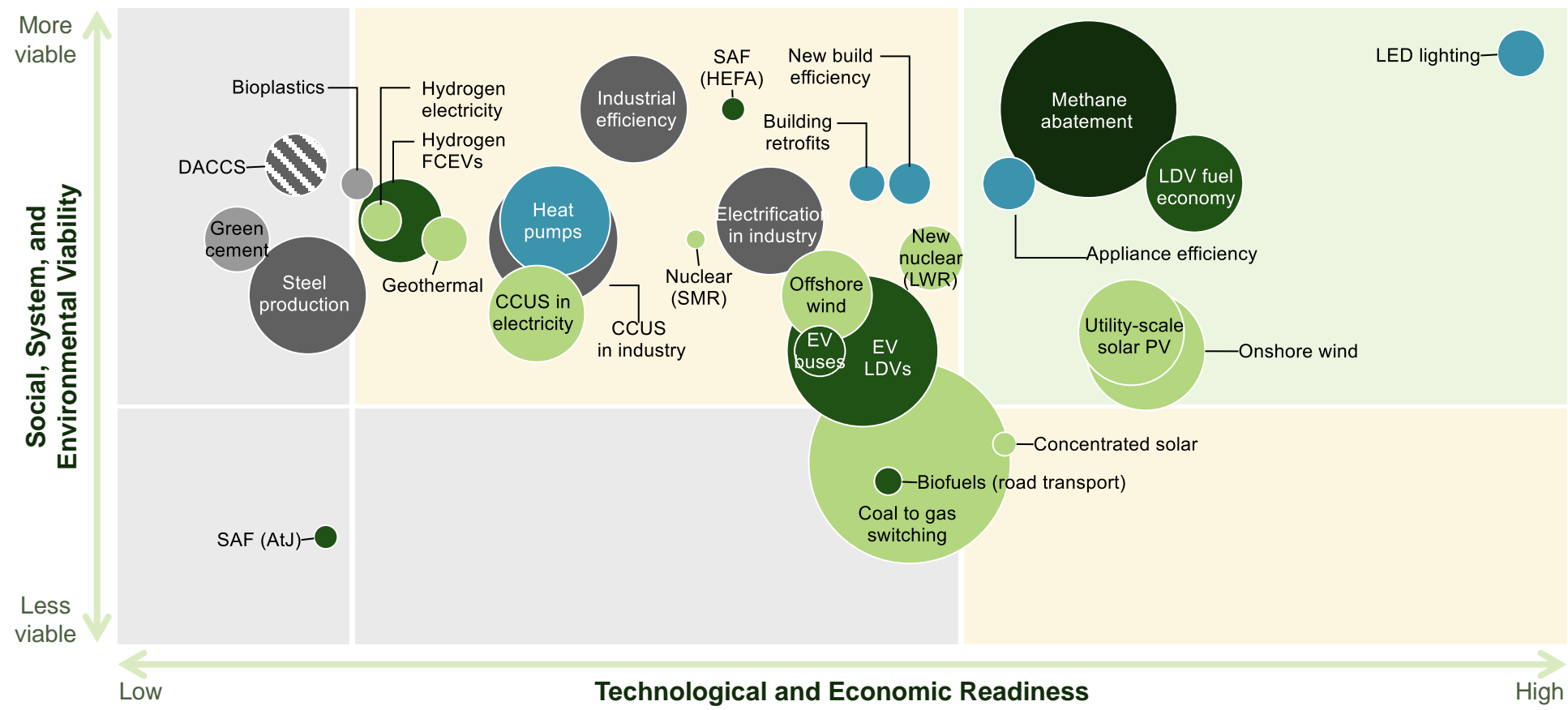
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Our Task: Change the Trajectory of Emissions

Global CO₂e emissions
(gigatons of CO₂e)



Prioritization of Potential Solutions













Prioritized by:

- Low cost
- Deployment speed
- Abatement potential











OpenMinds' Top 10 Solutions

Cost effective, ready now

Big 4 opportunities

<div>Abating methane emissions from energy</div> <div></div>	<div>Renewables (i.e., solar and wind)</div> <div></div>	<div>Coal-to-X switching</div> <div></div>	<div>CCUS in electricity and industry</div> <div></div>
<div>Transportation energy efficiency</div> <div></div>	<div>Industrial efficiency and electrification</div> <div></div>	<div>Electric LDVs</div> <div></div>	<div>Heat pumps</div> <div></div>
		<div>LED lighting</div> <div></div>	<div>Buildings efficiency</div> <div></div>

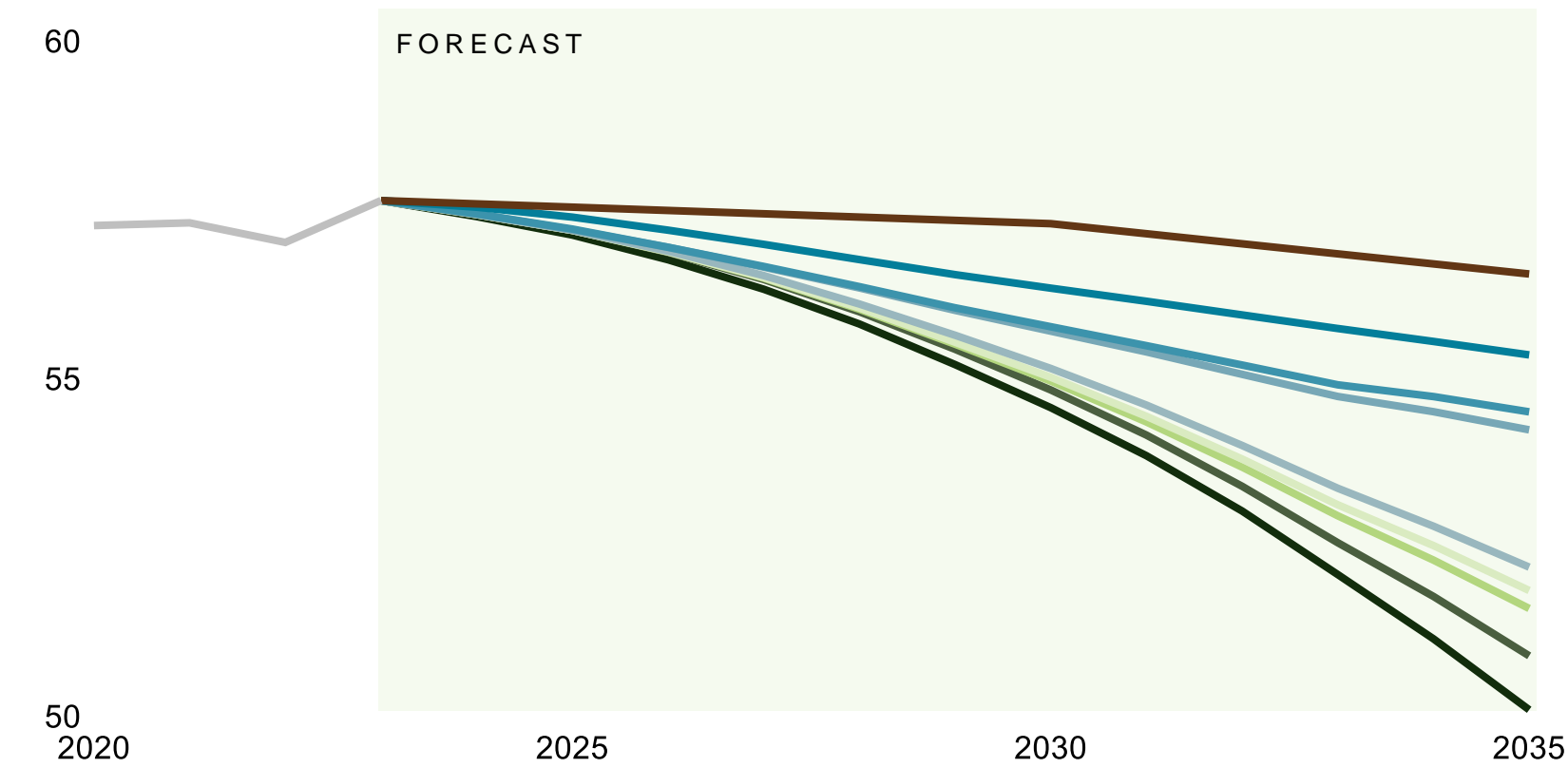
Longer timeline to full potential

<div>Behavioral change</div> <div></div>	<div>Adaptation</div> <div></div>		
<div>Distributed generation</div> <div></div>	<div>Green steel and cement</div> <div></div>	<div>Nature-based solutions</div> <div></div>	<div>Hydrogen</div> <div></div>
<div>New and existing nuclear</div> <div></div>	<div>Direct air capture</div> <div></div>	<div>Geothermal</div> <div></div>	<div>Circular economy</div> <div></div>

Impact of Implementing Key Solutions

Projected emissions impact

GIGATONS OF CO₂E PER YEAR



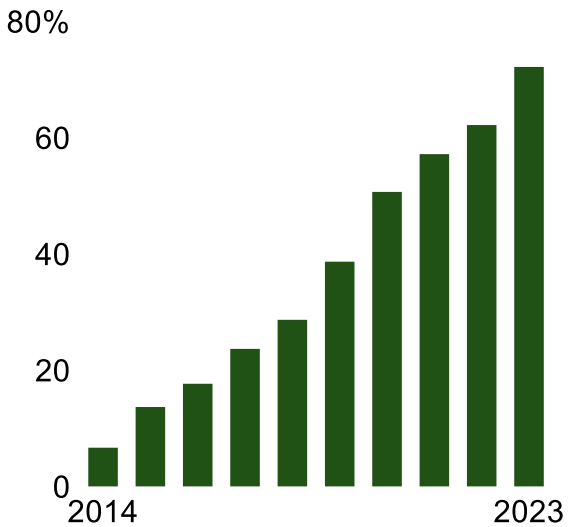
- Baseline
- +
- Methane abatement
- +
- Coal-to-X switching
- +
- CCUS in electricity & industry
- +
- Renewables
- +
- Nuclear
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- Transportation efficiency
- +
- Transport electrification
- +
- Buildings and industry efficiency and electrification

Early Wins – Technology

LED Lighting



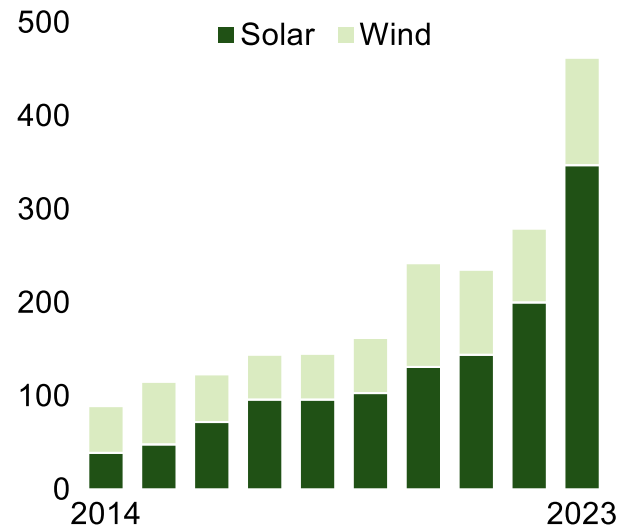
Global LED Lighting Market Share (%)



Solar & Wind



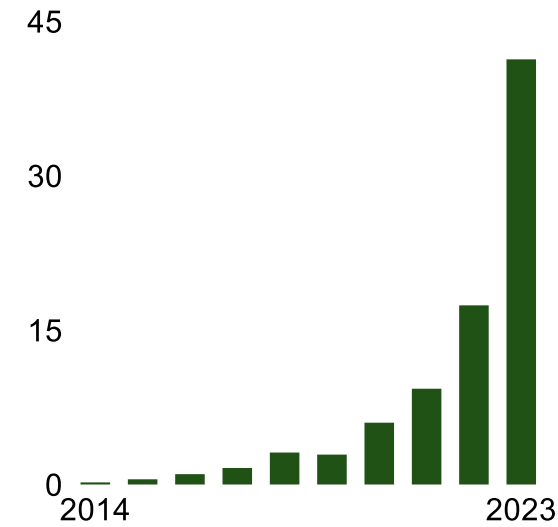
Global Annual Capacity Additions (GW)



Battery Storage



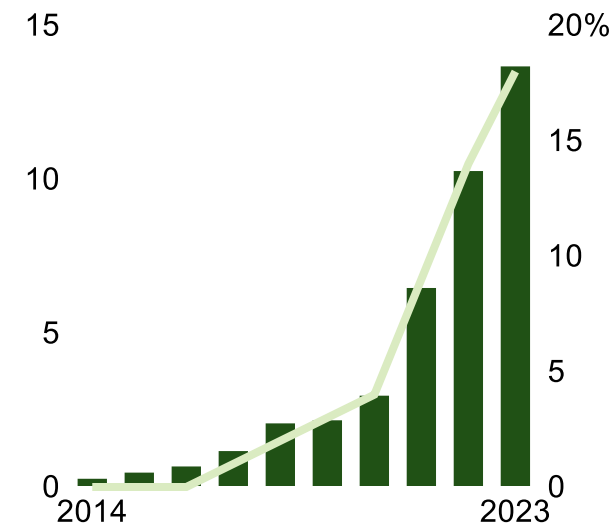
Global Annual Capacity Additions (GW)



Electric Vehicles



Global Sales (millions) Penetration



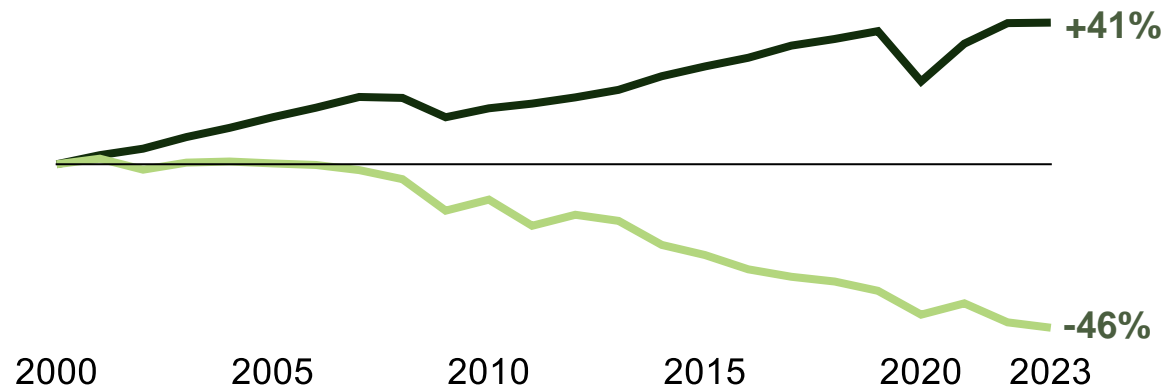
These technologies have already reduced annual emissions by ~2-3 Gt (7-8%)

Sustained Wins – Decoupling Growth and Emissions

Change in GDP and CO₂ emissions

United Kingdom

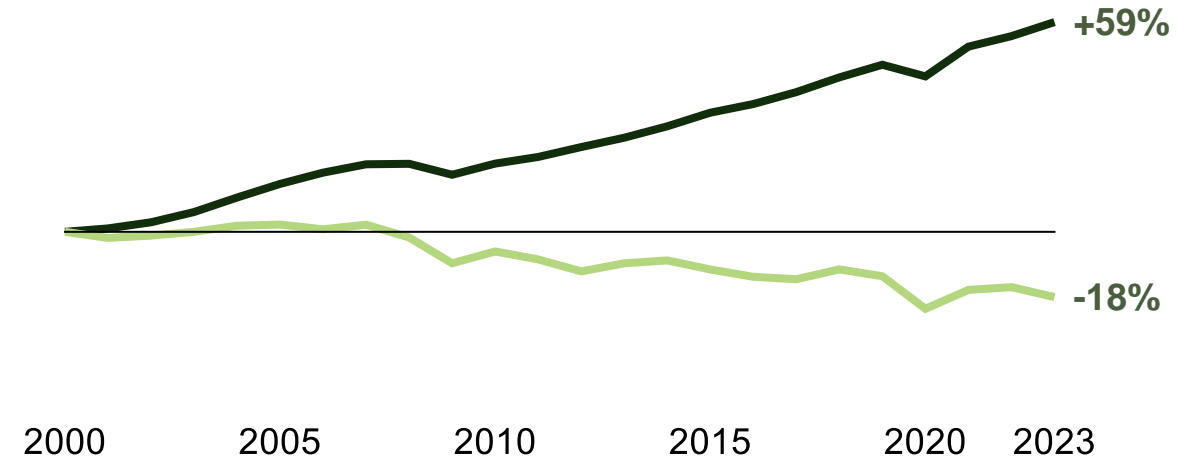
■ GDP ■ CO₂ emissions



- Coal phase out
- Offshore wind growth
- Energy efficiency gains

United States

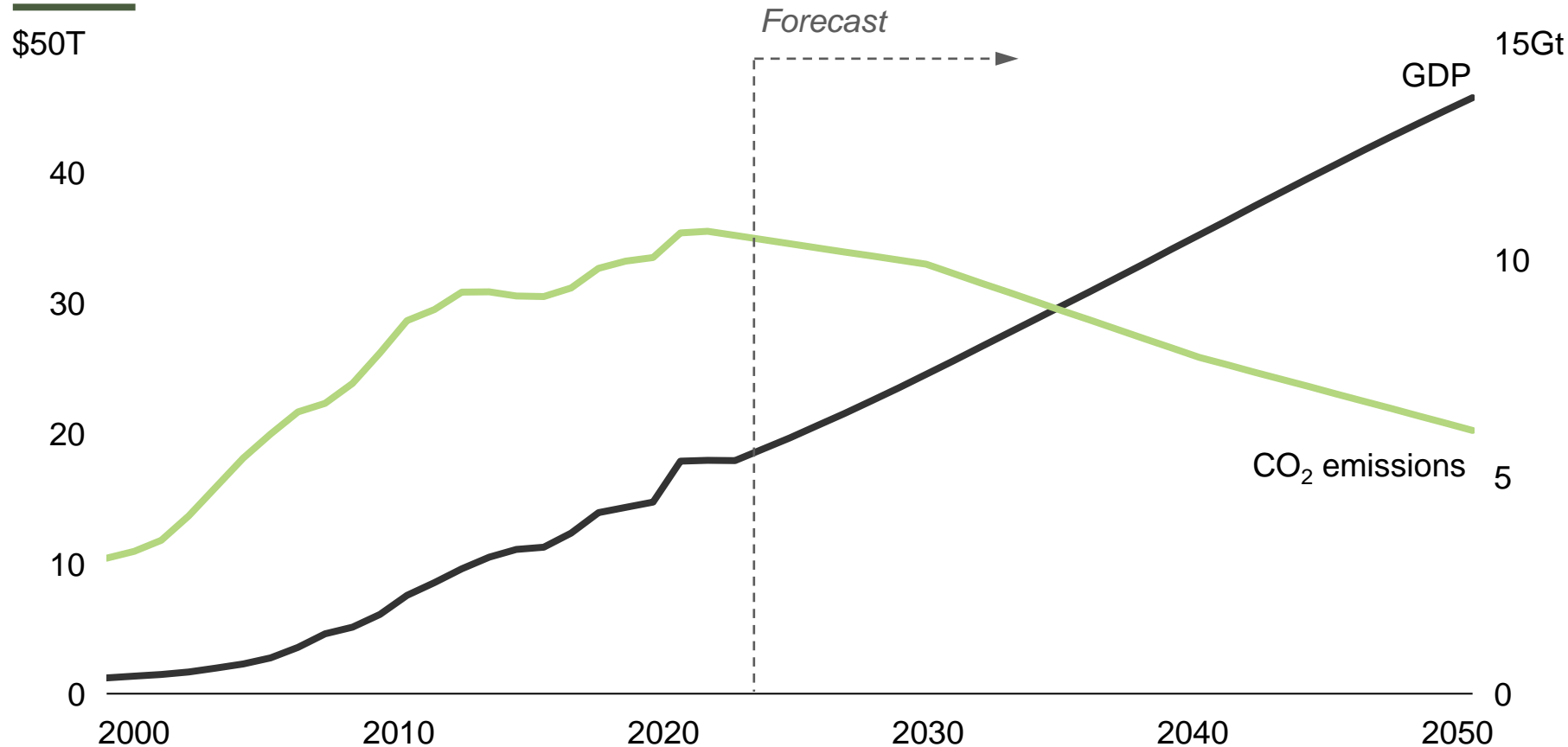
■ GDP ■ CO₂ emissions



- Coal to gas switching
- Wind and solar expansion
- Enhanced energy efficiency

Emerging Wins – China's Transformation

Chinese GDP (\$T) and CO₂ emissions (Gt)



Outlook through 2035

Emissions peak

- ... by **2030**, driven by huge **investments in wind, solar, batteries, and nuclear**
- ... while **reducing reliance on coal**
- ... and **maintaining economic growth**

Accelerating Progress Will Require More Investment

\$5T



Fossil fuel

per year

\$1T













Clean energy

per year

\$1T

\$100T
by 2050

Near Term Investment = Long Term Benefits

	Shorter Term (2025-2035)	Longer Term (2035+)
Energy Investment	 Increasing	 Decreasing
Energy Costs	 Increasing	 Decreasing
Economic Growth	 Slowing	 Accelerating
CO ₂ Emissions	 Peaking	 Decreasing
Climate Impact	 Warming	 Stable
		Benefits accrue to all future generations



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OpenMinds' Impact Strategy

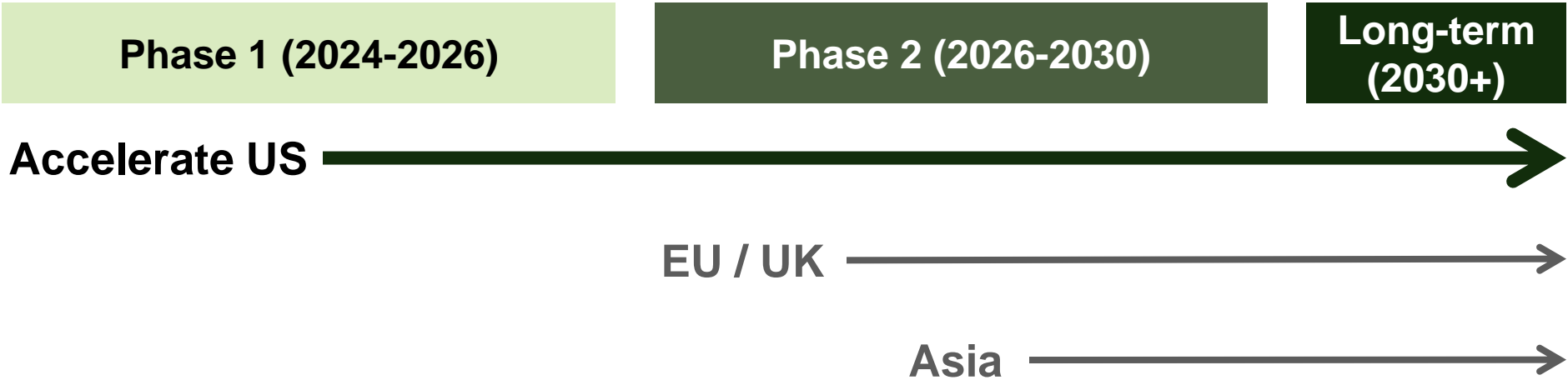
Mission

More energy. Less emissions. By 203X.

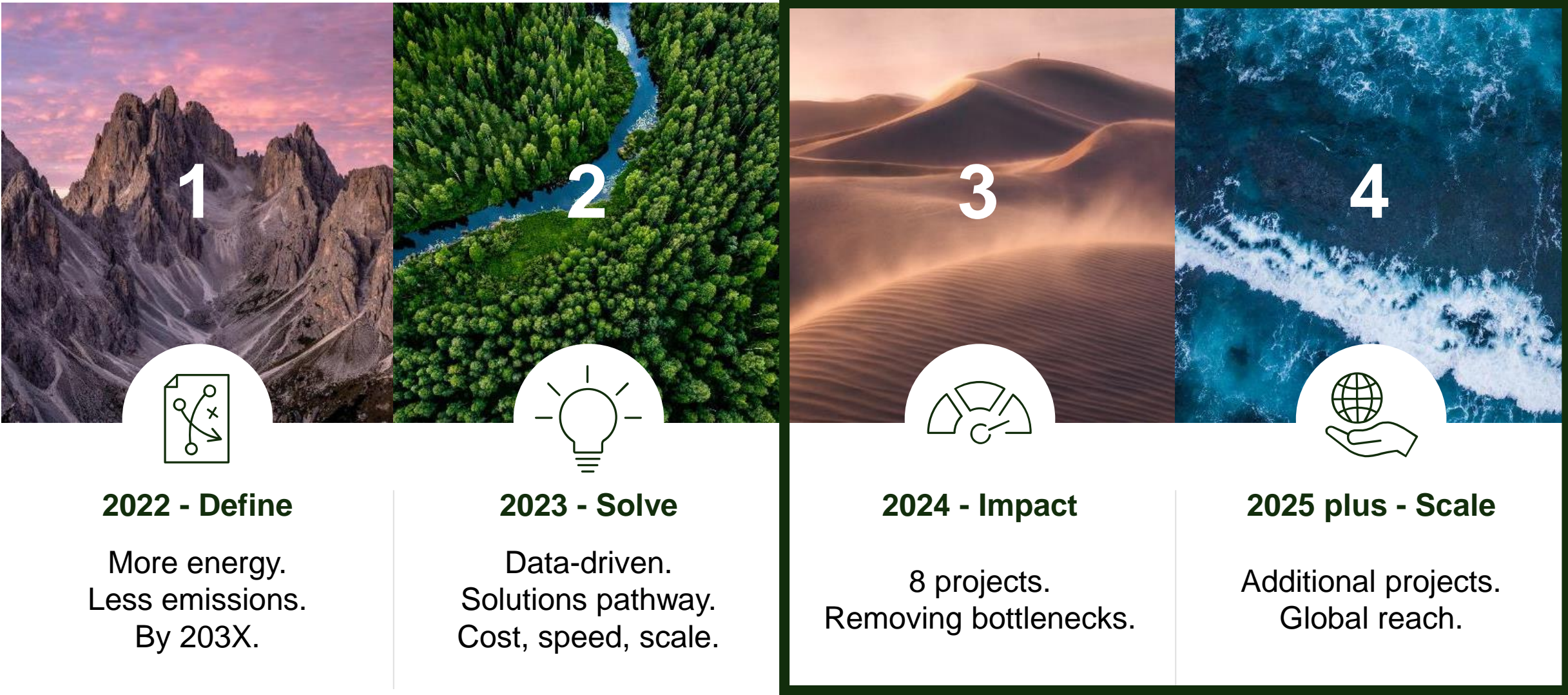
2035 Goals

Break the emissions growth trend and accelerate decline.

Geographies



OpenMinds: Transitioning to Impact in 2024+



What's Needed to Close the Gap in the US

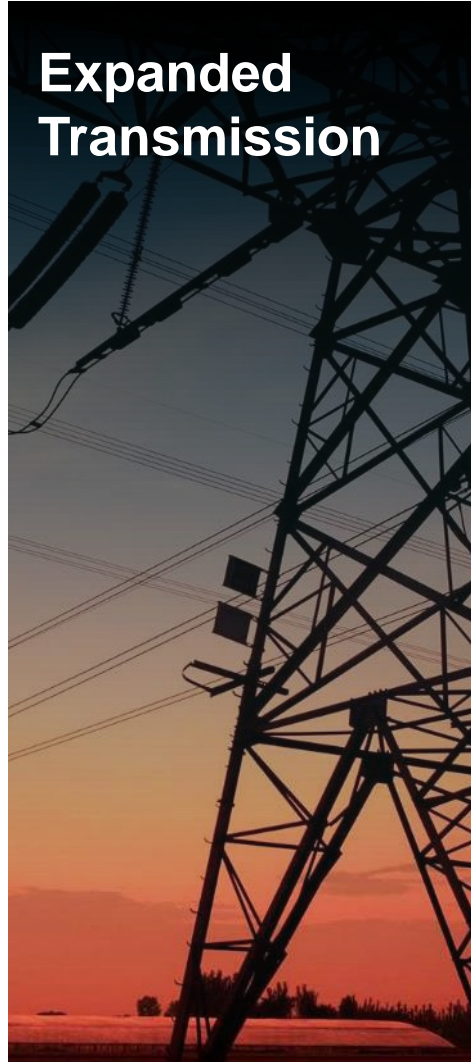
**More Firm and
Low-Carbon
Generation**



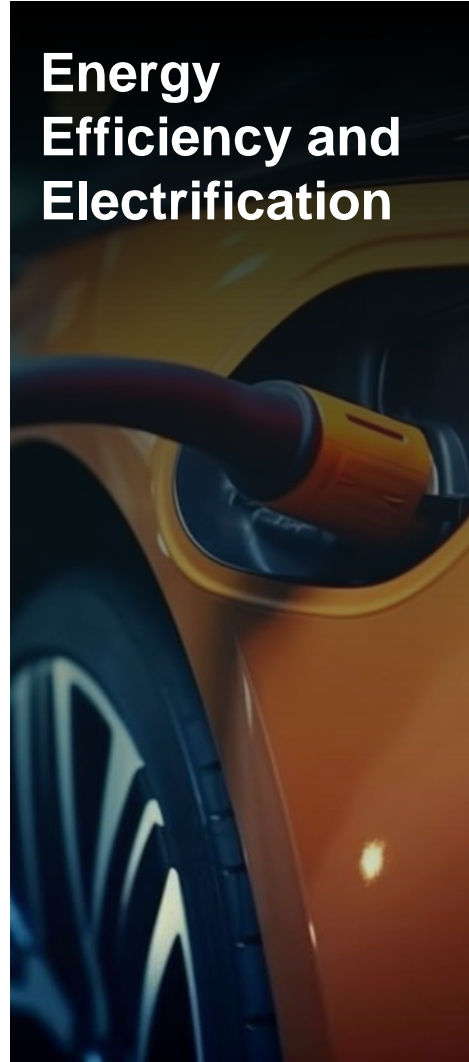
**Cleaner Fossil
Fuel Power**



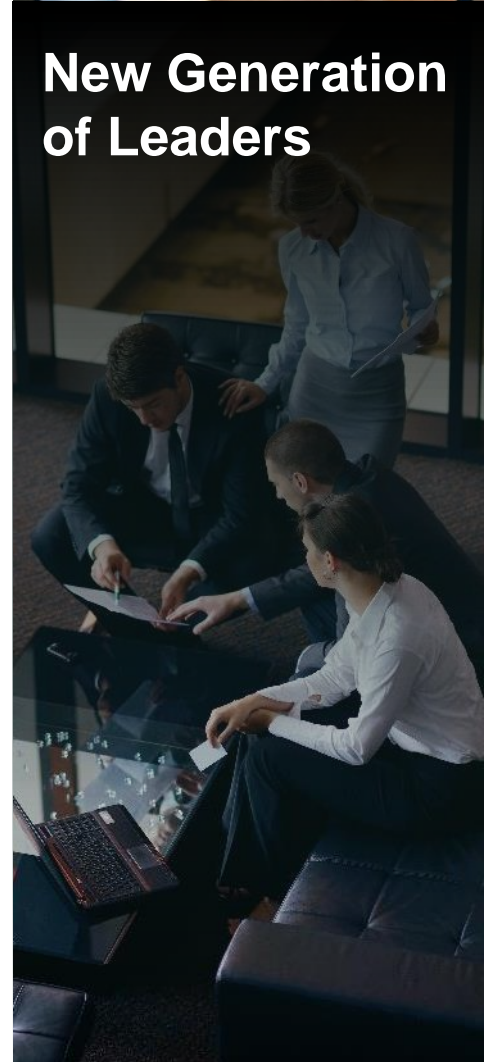
**Expanded
Transmission**



**Energy
Efficiency and
Electrification**



**New Generation
of Leaders**



OpenMinds' Impact Projects – Removing Key Bottlenecks

More Firm and Low-Carbon Generation

Meet AI Demand with Renewables

Create the Market for Multi-Day Storage

Segment Direct Air Capture Customers

Cleaner Fossil Fuel Power

Quantify CCUS Economics

Prove and Catalyze CCS

Incentivize Methane Abatement

Evaluate Coal-to-X Switching Full Potential

Expanded Transmission

Accelerate Transmission Permitting Reform

Catalyze Transmission Investment

Improve Community Benefits of Transmission

Energy Efficiency and Electrification

To be determined

New Generation of Leaders

Launch NextGen Program

Scale the NextGen Community

Trusted Source of Information and Progress

The World...

will need more energy to grow and thrive, while climate impacts and urgency to act intensify



In the Long Term...

energy prices can be reduced and climate impacts minimized as more success stories emerge



Bending the Curve...

requires near-term action and large investment in prioritized solutions



OpenMinds...

is bringing energy AND climate experts together to remove key bottlenecks and accelerate progress

Sharing Our Work – OpenMinds203x.org

An Introduction to OpenMinds



Overview on the Dual Challenge: Energy & Climate



Confronting the Dual Challenge: Emerging Solutions



“P50” Outlook: Energy + Climate Trajectory



‘Big Stack’: RTO and IRP Rollup



Benefits of Permitting Reform





Solving for the Dual Challenge



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