

# Global Warming of 1.5° C.

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Policymakers.

# Understanding Global Warming of 1.5° C

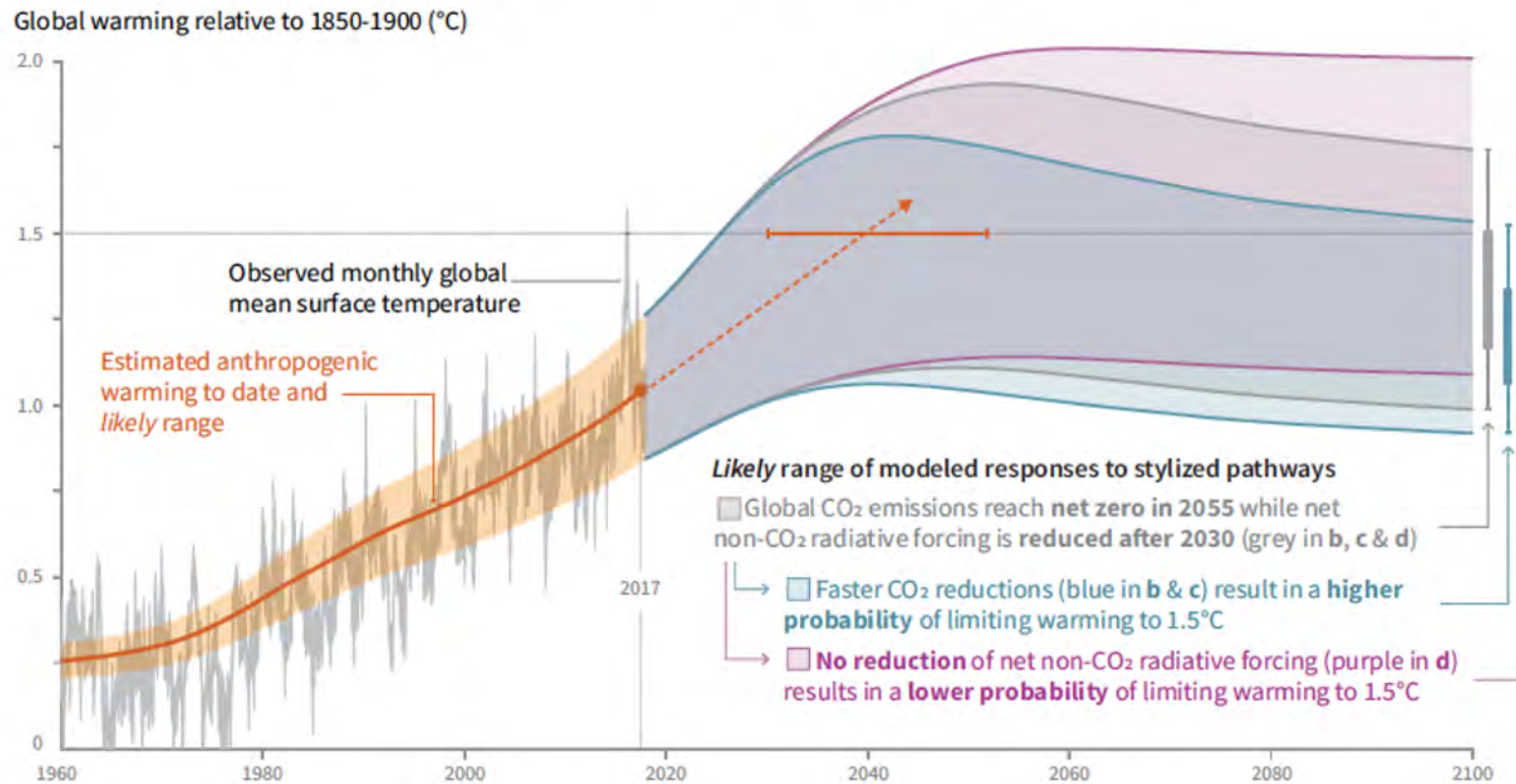
- Human activities are estimated to have caused approximately 1.0 degree C of global warming above pre-industrial levels, with a likely range of 0.8 to 1.2 degree C. Global warming is likely to reach 1.5 degree C between 2030 and 2052 if it continues to increase at the current rate.

Warming from anthropogenic emissions from the pre-industrial period to the present will persist for centuries to millennia

- and will continue to cause further long-term changes in the climate system, such as sea level rise, with associated impacts (high confidence),
- but these emissions alone are unlikely to cause global warming of 1.5 degree.

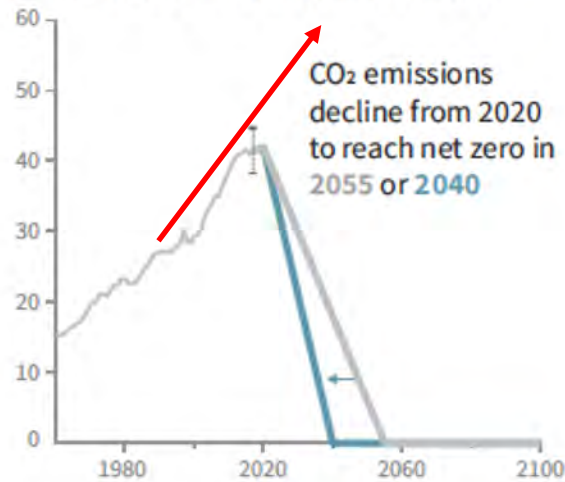
# Cumulative emissions of CO<sub>2</sub> and future non-CO<sub>2</sub> radiative forcing determine the probability of limiting warming to 1.5° C

a) Observed global temperature change and modeled responses to stylized anthropogenic emission and forcing pathways



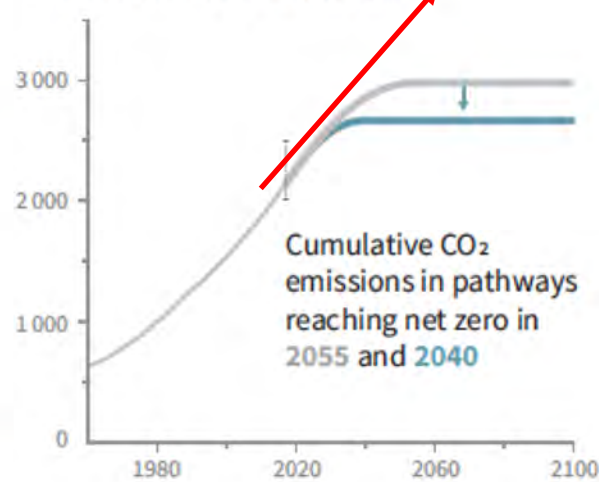
# Proposed pathways for the reduction of net global CO<sub>2</sub> and non-CO<sub>2</sub> radiative forcing emissions.

**b) Stylized net global CO<sub>2</sub> emission pathways**  
Billion tonnes CO<sub>2</sub> per year (GtCO<sub>2</sub>/yr)



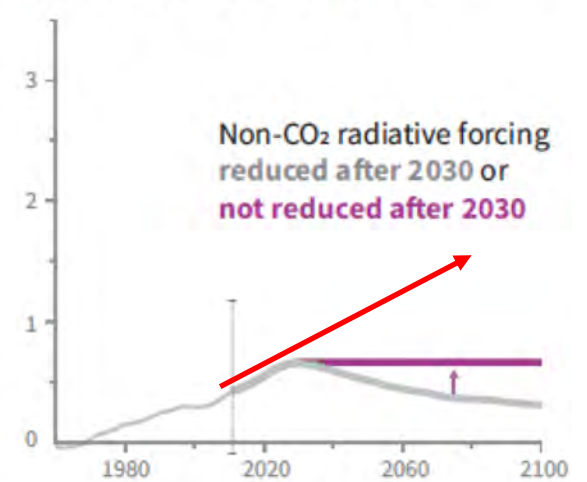
Faster immediate CO<sub>2</sub> emission reductions limit cumulative CO<sub>2</sub> emissions shown in panel (c).

**c) Cumulative net CO<sub>2</sub> emissions**  
Billion tonnes CO<sub>2</sub> (GtCO<sub>2</sub>)



Maximum temperature rise is determined by cumulative net CO<sub>2</sub> emissions and net non-CO<sub>2</sub> radiative forcing due to methane, nitrous oxide, aerosols and other anthropogenic forcing at

**d) Non-CO<sub>2</sub> radiative forcing pathways**  
Watts per square metre (W/m<sup>2</sup>)



Trend without emission reduction.

# Projected Climate Change, Potential Impacts and Associated Risks

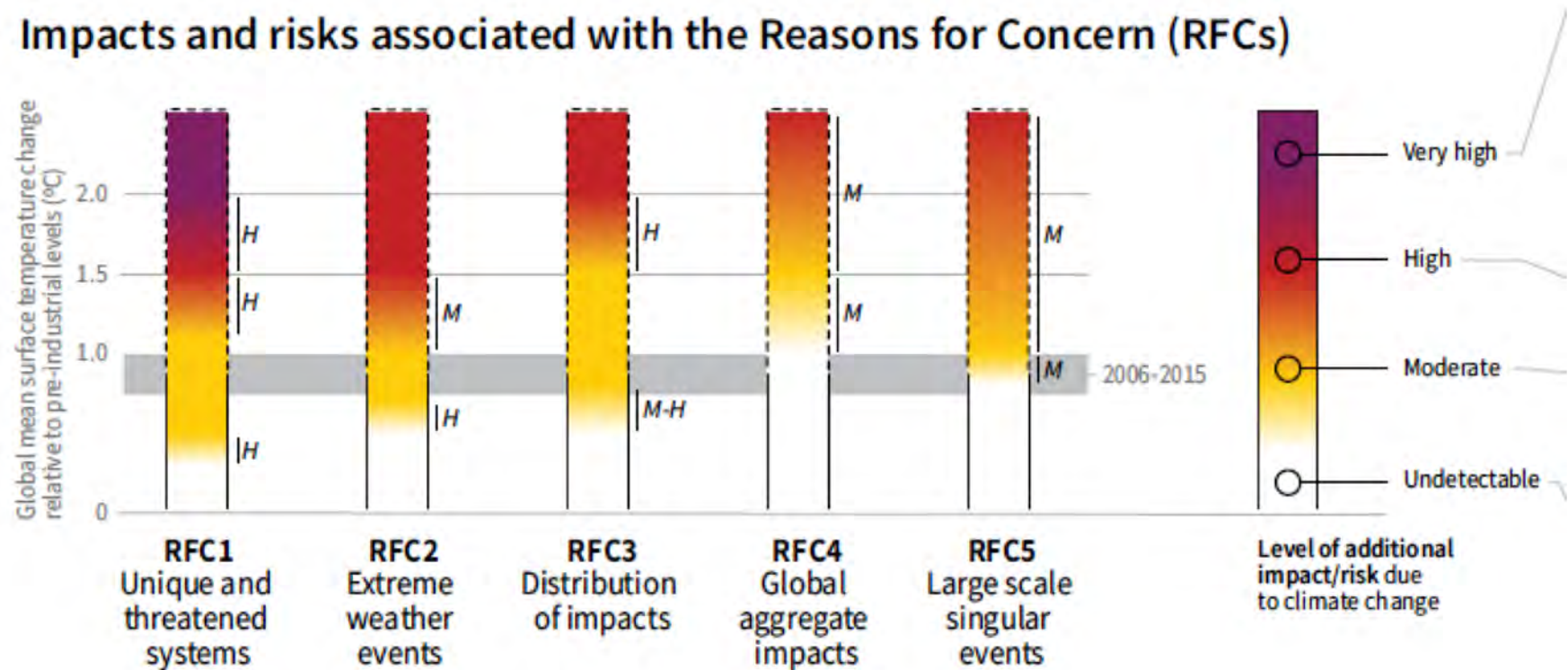
- Climate models project robust differences in regional climate characteristics between present-day and global warming of 1.5 degree C, and between 1.5 and 2 degree C.
- These differences include increases in:
  - mean temperature in most land and ocean regions, hot extremes in most inhabited regions,
  - heavy precipitation in several regions, and the probability of drought and precipitation deficits in some regions

# Climate and weather extremes

- Evidence from attributed changes in some climate and weather extremes for a global warming of about 0.5 degree C supports the assessment that an additional 0.5 degree C of warming compared to present is associated with further detectable changes in these extremes.

# Impacts and risks associated with the Reasons for Concern.

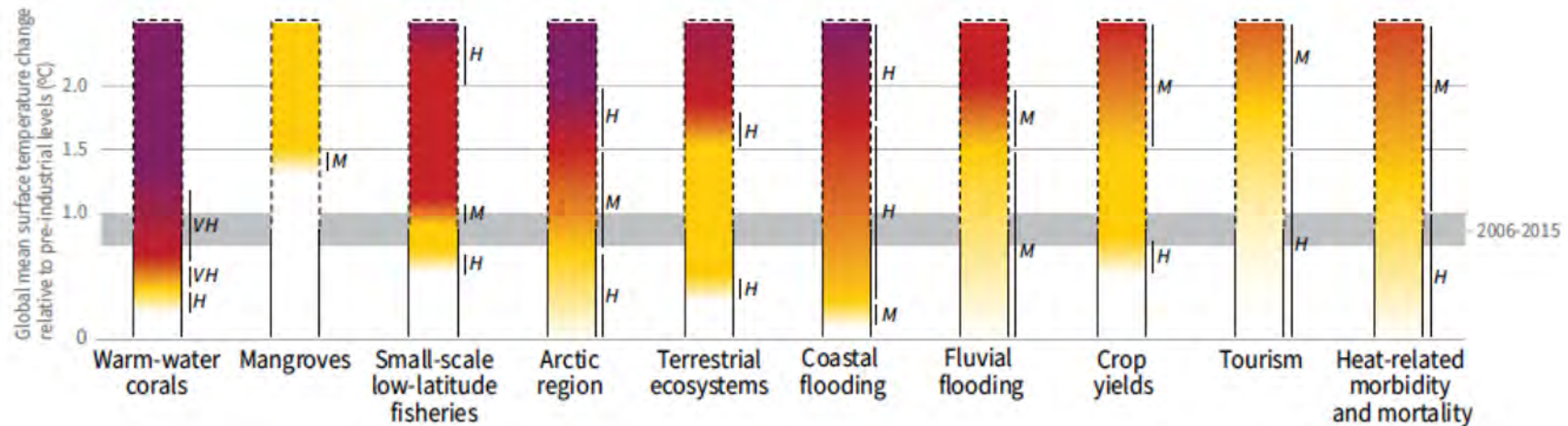
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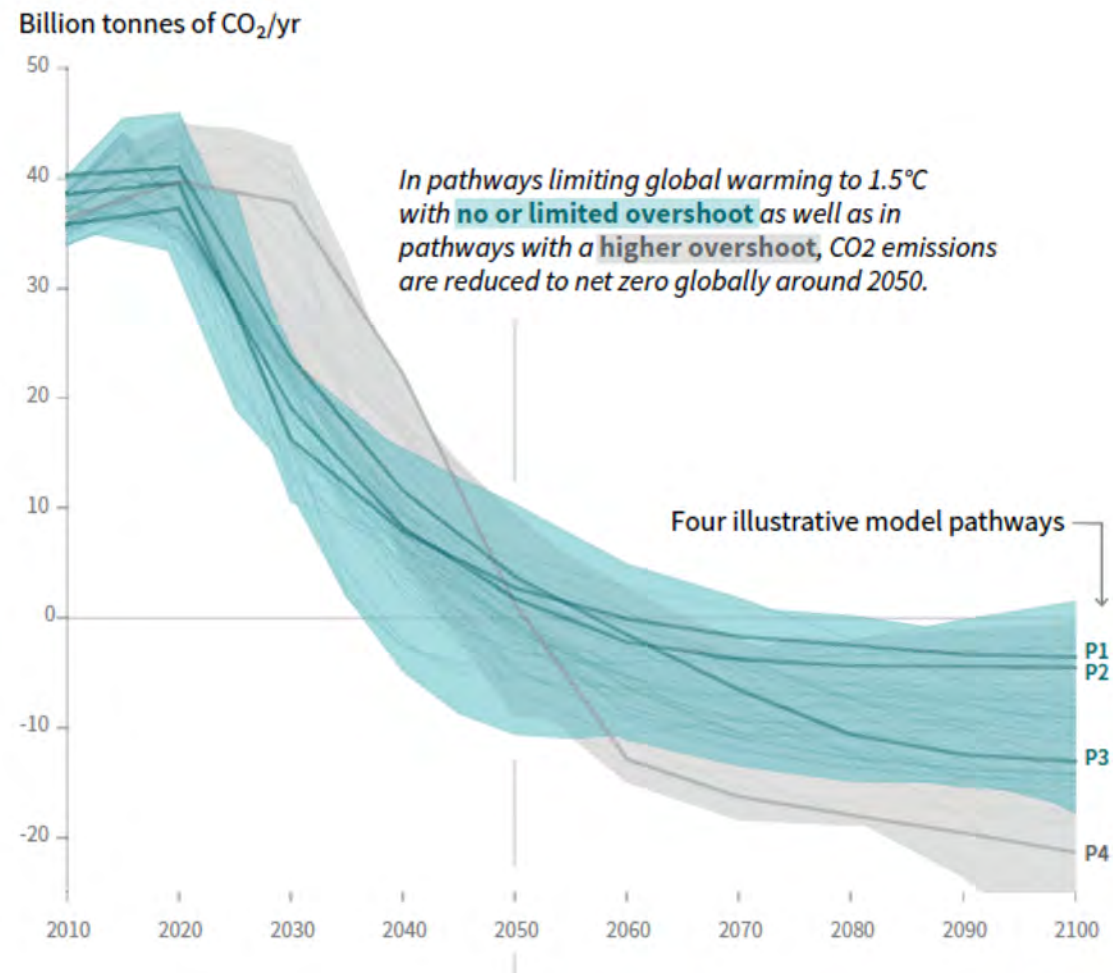


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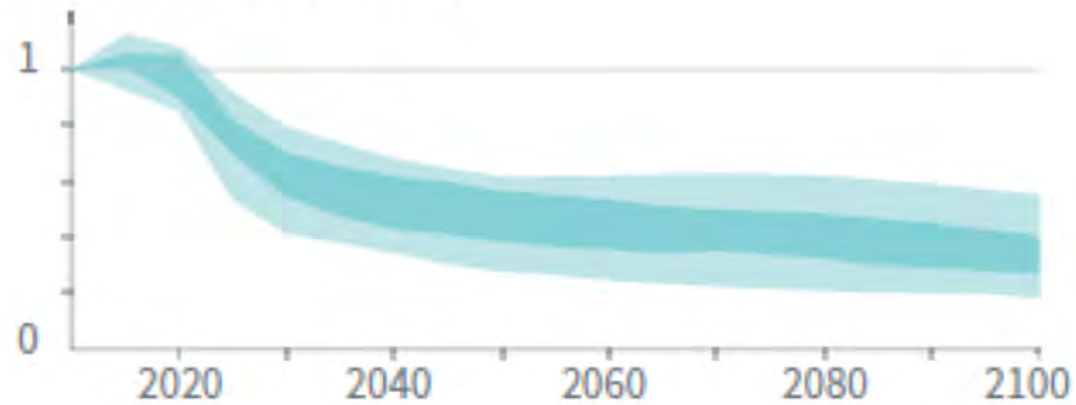


# Pathways limiting global warming to 1.5 degree C.

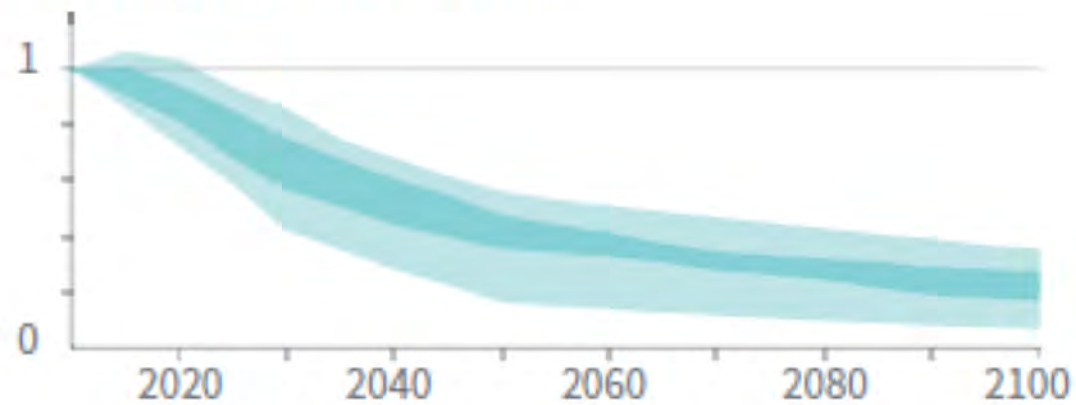


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**Methane emissions**

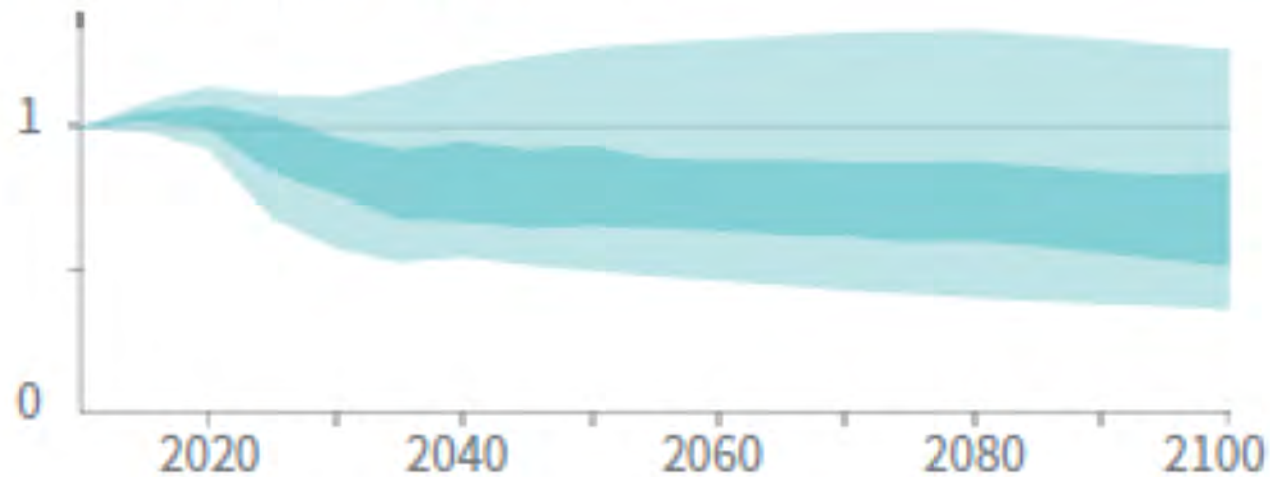


**Black carbon emissions**



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### Nitrous oxide emissions

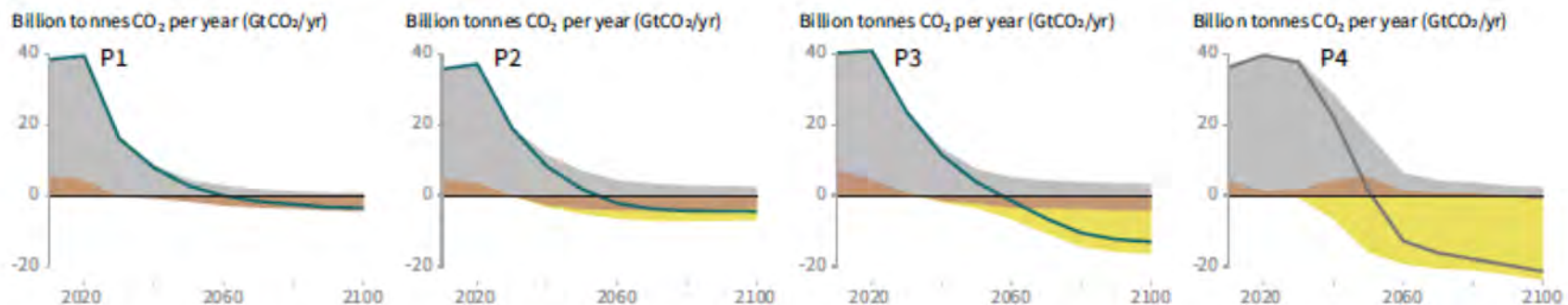


High bioenergy demand can increase emissions of nitrous oxide in some 1.5 degree C pathways.

A scenario in which social, business and technological innovations result in lower energy demand up to 2050 while living standards rise, especially in the global South.

### Breakdown of contributions to global net CO<sub>2</sub> emissions in four illustrative model pathways

● Fossil fuel and industry   ● AFOLU   ● BECCS



**P1:** A scenario in which social, business and technological innovations result in lower energy demand up to 2050 while living standards rise, especially in the global South. A downsized energy system enables rapid decarbonization of energy supply. Afforestation is the only CDR option considered; neither fossil fuels with CCS nor BECCS are used.

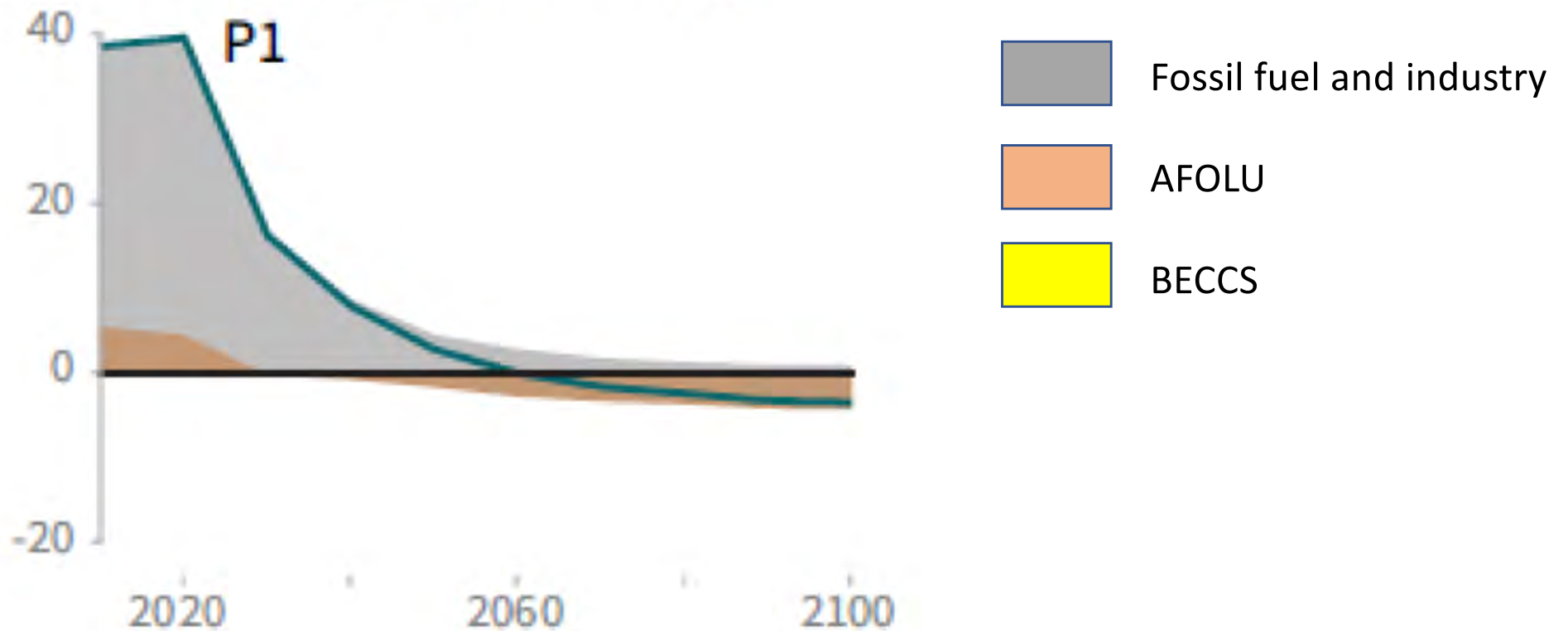
**P2:** A scenario with a broad focus on sustainability including energy intensity, human development, economic convergence and international cooperation, as well as shifts towards sustainable and healthy consumption patterns, low-carbon technology innovation, and well-managed land systems with limited societal acceptability for BECCS.

**P3:** A middle-of-the-road scenario in which societal as well as technological development follows historical patterns. Emissions reductions are mainly achieved by changing the way in which energy and products are produced, and to a lesser degree by reductions in demand.

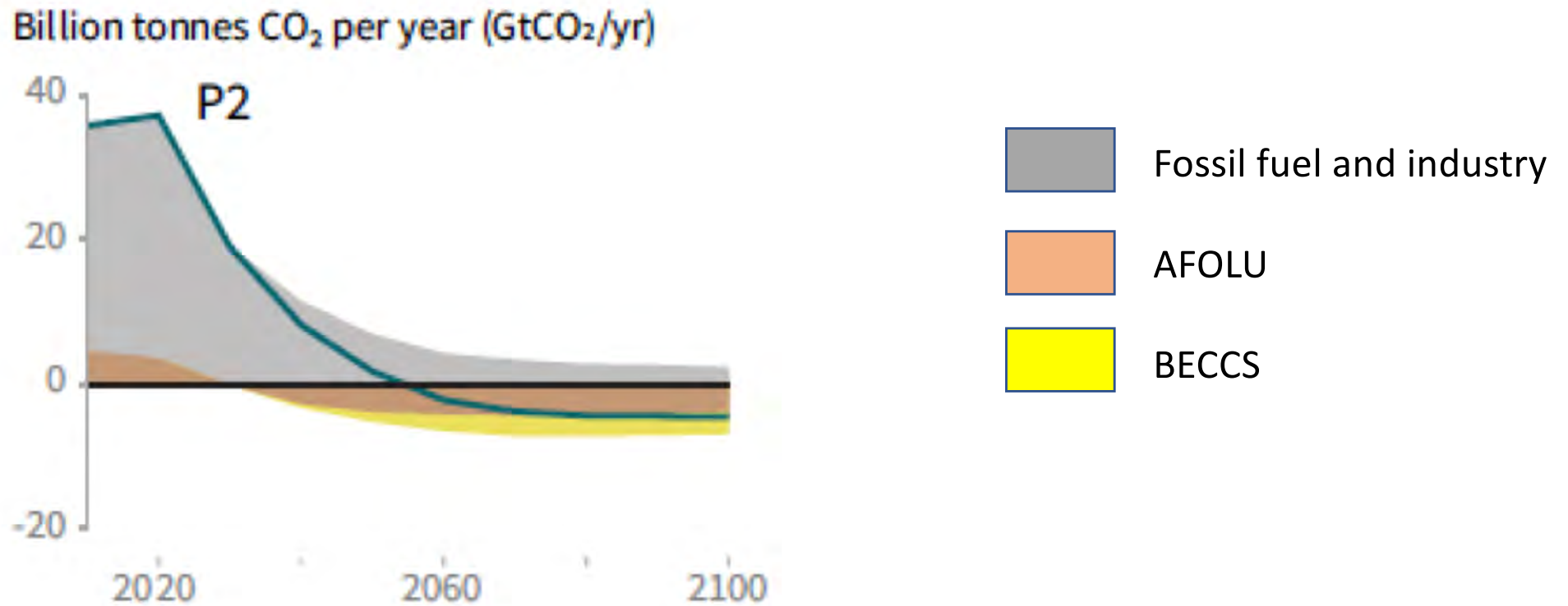
**P4:** A resource- and energy-intensive scenario in which economic growth and globalization lead to widespread adoption of greenhouse-gas-intensive lifestyles, including high demand for transportation fuels and livestock products. Emissions reductions are mainly achieved through technological means, making strong use of CDR through the deployment of BECCS.

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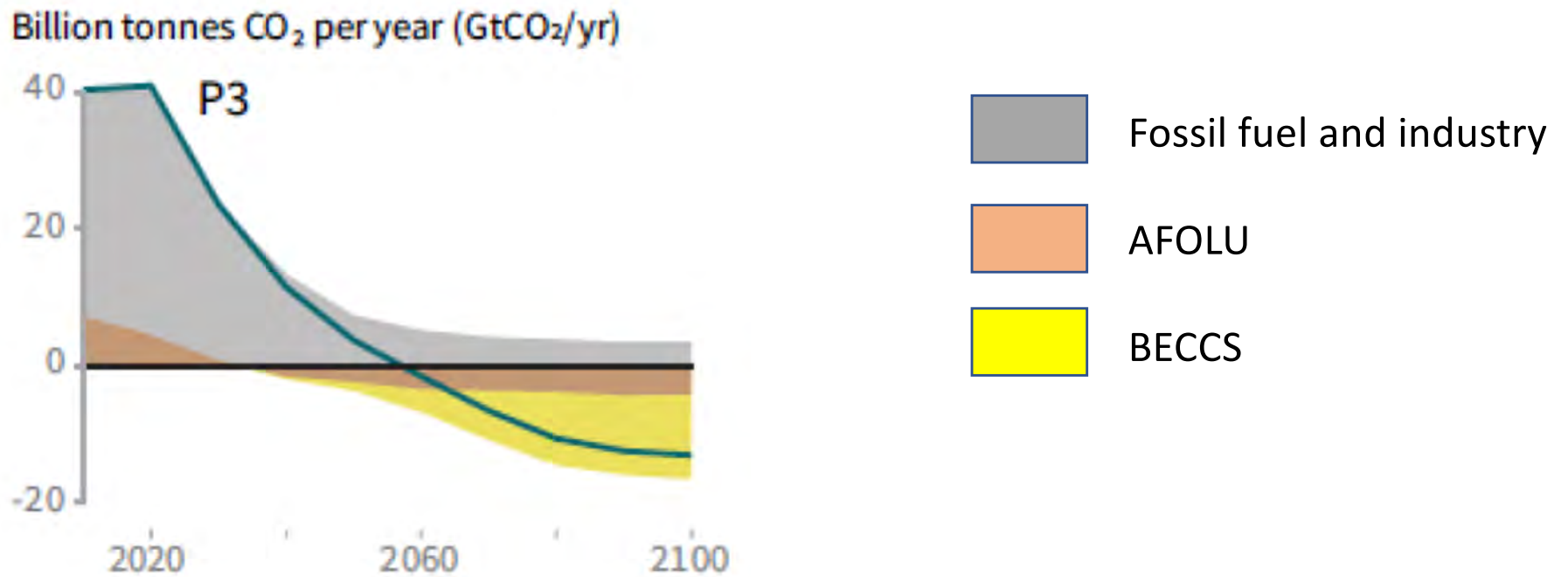
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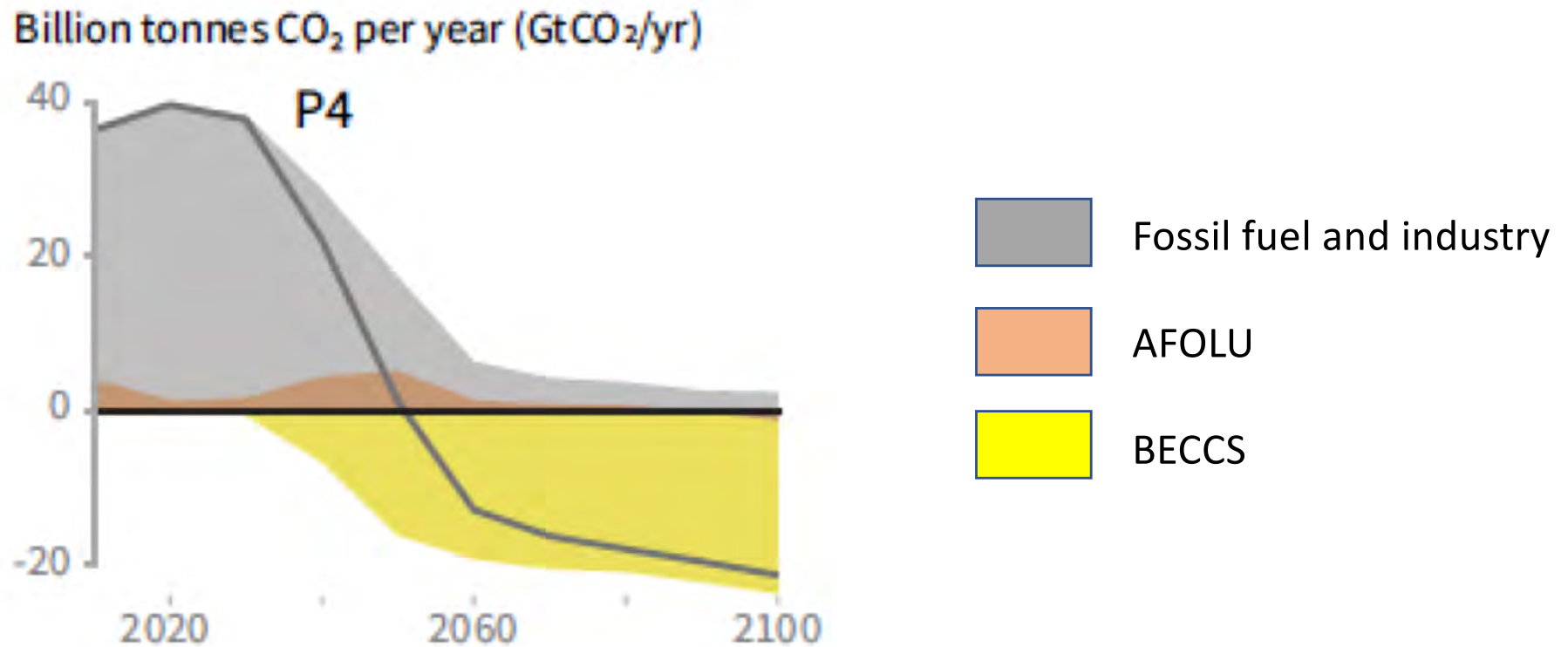


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Pathway classification →	P1	P2	P3	P4	Interquartile range
Global indicators ↓	No or limited overshoot			Higher overshoot	No or limited overshoot
CO <sub>2</sub> emission change in 2030 (% rel to 2010)	-58	-47	-41	4	-58, -40
CO <sub>2</sub> emission change in 2050 (% rel to 2010)	-93	-95	-91	-97	-107, -94
Kyoto-GHG emissions* in 2030 (% rel to 2010)	-50	-49	-35	-2	-51, -39
Kyoto-GHG emissions* in 2050 (% rel to 2010)	-82	-89	-78	-80	-93, -81
Final energy demand** in 2030 (% rel to 2010)	-15	-5	17	39	-12, 7
Final energy demand** in 2050 (% rel to 2010)	-32	2	21	44	-11, 22

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Renewable share in electricity in 2030 (%)	60	58	48	25	47, 65
Renewable share in electricity in 2050 (%)	77	81	63	70	69, 86
Primary energy from coal in 2030 (% rel to 2010)	-78	-61	-75	-59	-78, -59
Primary energy from coal in 2050 (% rel to 2010)	-97	-77	-73	-97	-95, -74
Primary energy from oil in 2030 (% rel to 2010)	-37	-13	-3	86	-34, 3
Primary energy from oil in 2050 (% rel to 2010)	-87	-50	-81	-32	-78, -31

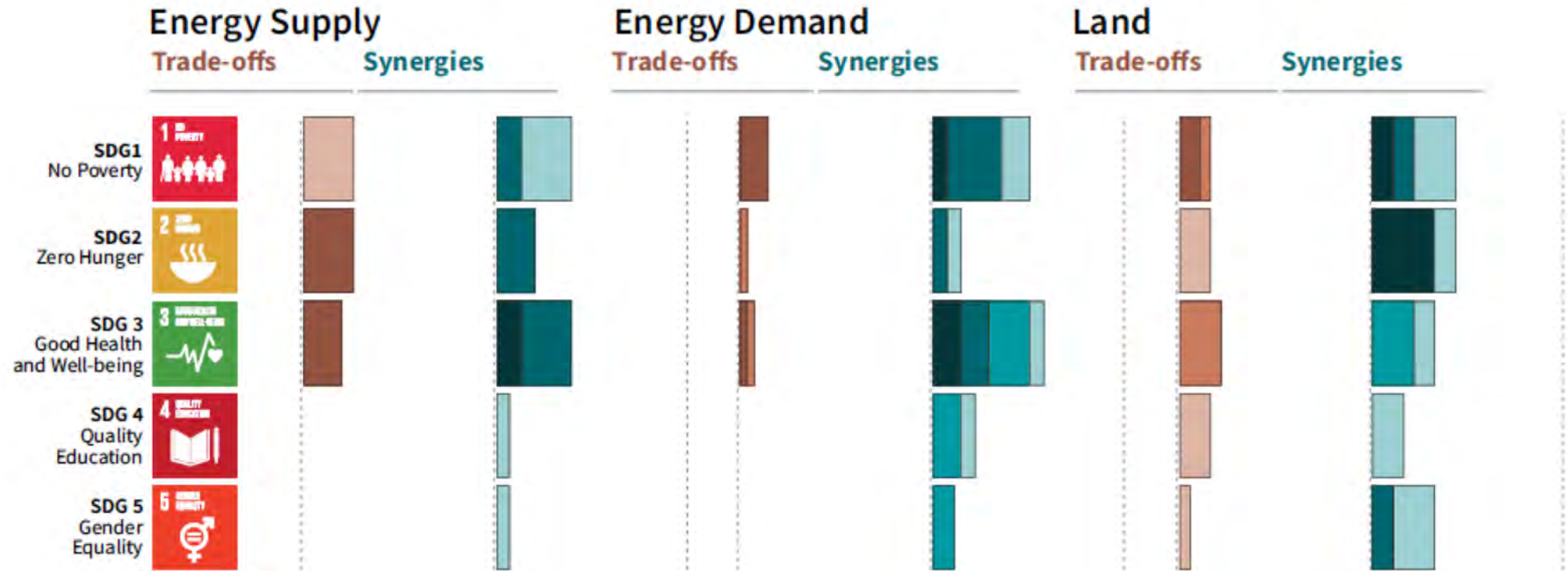
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Primary energy from gas in 2030 (% rel to 2010)	-25	-20	33	37	-26, 21
Primary energy from gas in 2050 (% rel to 2010)	-74	-53	21	-48	-56, 6
Primary energy from nuclear in 2030 (% rel to 2010)	59	83	98	106	44, 102
Primary energy from nuclear in 2050 (% rel to 2010)	150	98	501	468	91, 190
Primary energy from biomass in 2030 (% rel to 2010)	-11	0	36	-1	29, 80
Primary energy from biomass in 2050 (% rel to 2010)	-16	49	121	418	123, 261
from non-biomass renewables in 2030 (% rel to 2010)	430	470	315	110	245, 436
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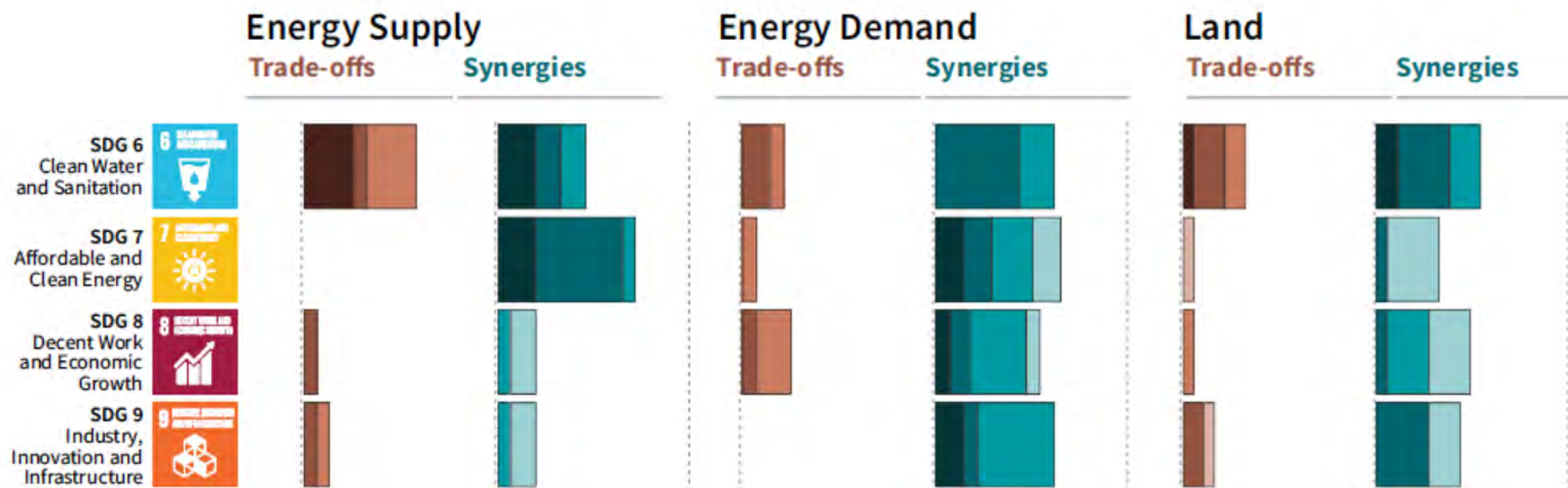
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Cumulative CCS until 2100 (GtCO <sub>2</sub> )	0	348	687	1218	550, 1017
Cumulative BECCS until 2100 (GtCO <sub>2</sub> )	0	151	414	1191	364, 662
Land area of bioenergy crops in 2050 (10 <sup>6</sup> km <sup>2</sup> )	0.2	0.9	2.8	7.2	1.5, 3.2
Agricultural CH <sub>4</sub> emissions in 2030 (% rel to 2010)	-24	-48	1	14	-30, -11
Agricultural CH <sub>4</sub> emissions in 2050 (% rel to 2010)	-33	-69	-23	2	-47, -24
Agricultural N <sub>2</sub> O emissions in 2030 (% rel to 2010)	5	-26	15	3	-21, 3
Agricultural N <sub>2</sub> O emissions in 2050 (% rel to 2010)	6	-26	0	39	-26, 1

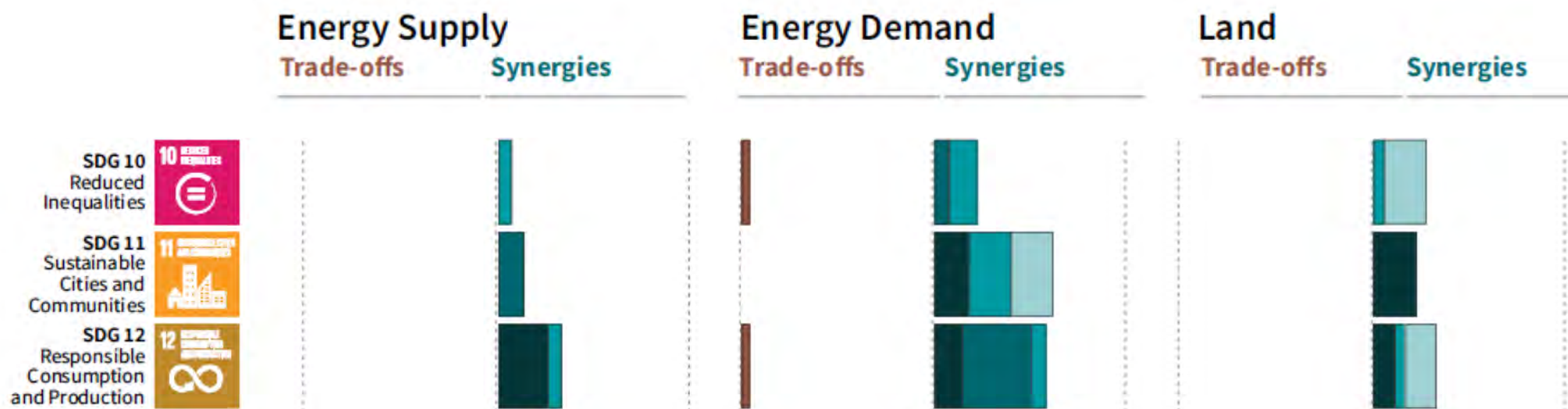
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