Overview of coal in Europe

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Dimensions of risk for NGOs

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How large is the 'coal risk' in Europe?

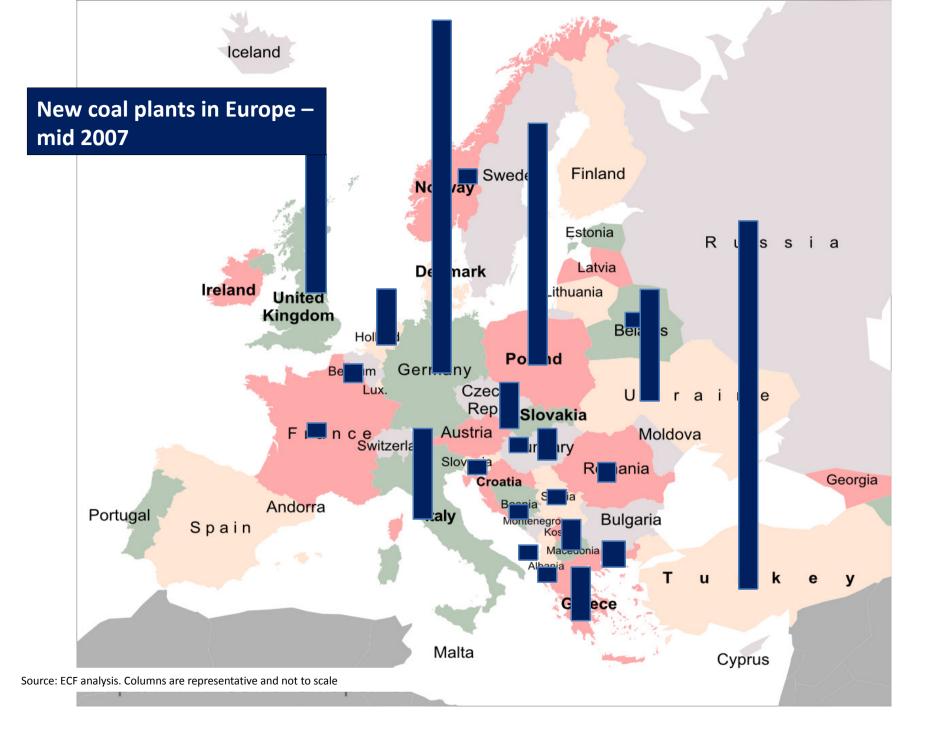
What is the geography of coal risk?

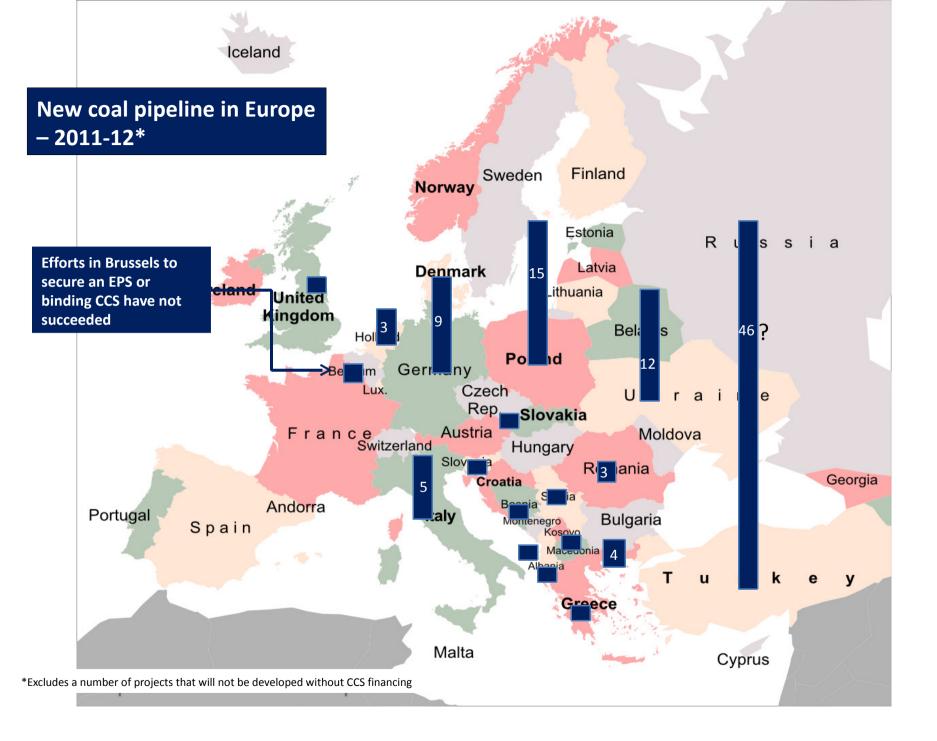
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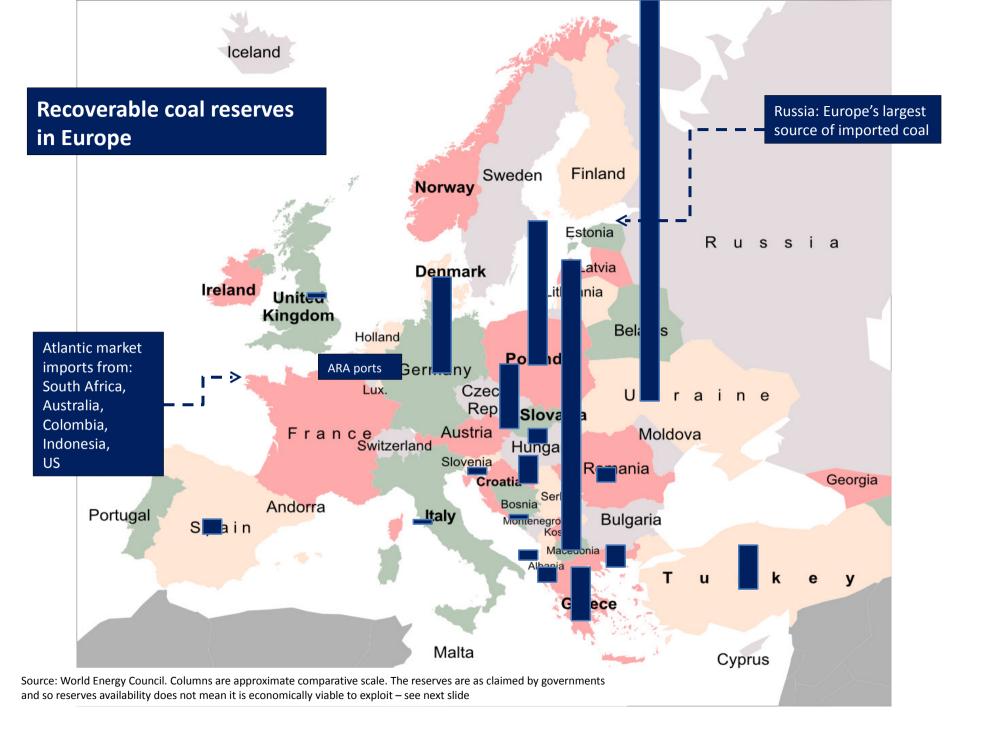
Where are the active flashpoints?

Where is the network addressing coal?

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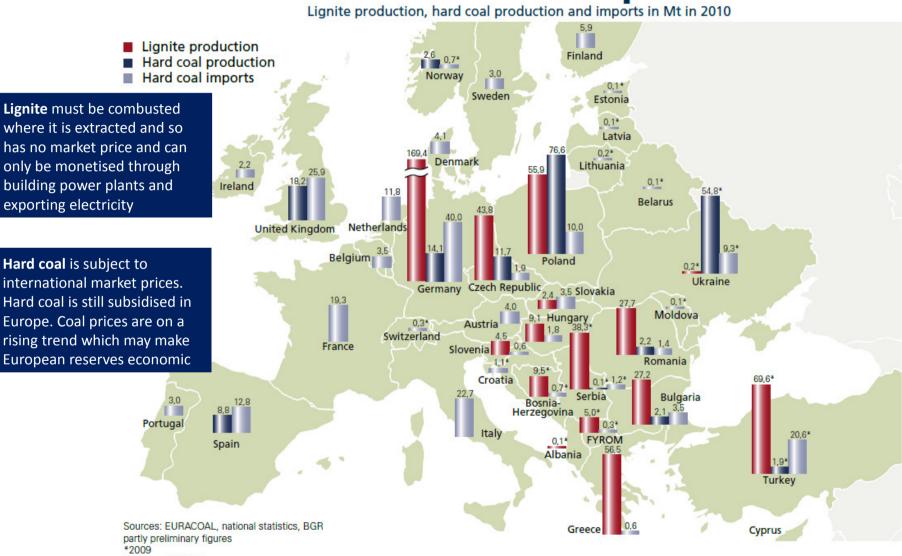






Euracoal data for 2010

Coal in Europe



Data as at 03/2011

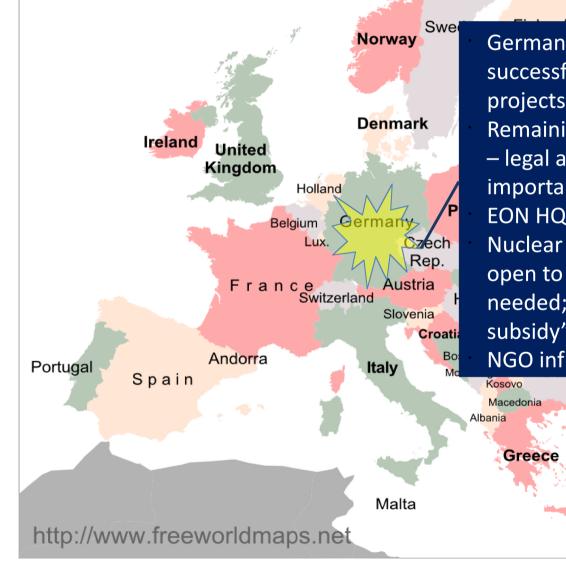
Coal Flashpoint Poland

- Polish government ambition is for 15GW of new coal
- Projects have uncritical political support, coal is Poland's 'treasure'
- 10c Derogations issue limits Poland's ambition
- Western investors other than GDF Suez pulled out
- Government and utilities say they will apply to EIB
- Coalition of NGOs now establishing
- Opole delayed
- Belchatow CCS commitment in crisis
- ENEA wobbling?





Coal Flashpoint Germany



German campaign has been very successful since 2007, only a third of projects remain Remaining projects more entrenched – legal and finance angles more important EON HQ Dusseldorf Nuclear policy revolution leaves door open to coal revival "20GW of fossil needed; reform of planning law; subsidy"

NGO infrastructure in place



Coal Flashpoint Kosovo

- Kosovo C is next project in the WBG hopper
- Supported by Kosovo government and USG – led by WBG
- Tenders to build received and being evaluated (PPE, Turkish, Indian and US companies)
- NGO network in place, but weak infrastructure
- Kosovo is EU accession potential candidate, but also IDA country



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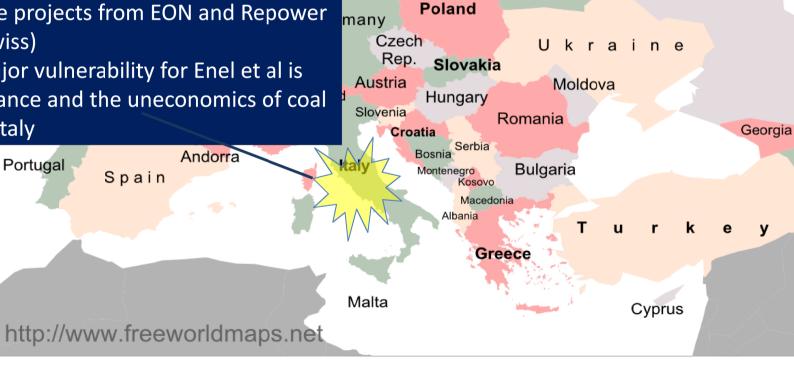
Coal Flashpoint Slovenia



Coal Flashpoint Italy

NGO campaign strong, but political support for coal has been more powerful

- Major legal progress resulting in permission for Porto Tolle being overturned, Enel may come back
- Live projects from EON and Repower (Swiss)
- Major vulnerability for Enel et al is finance and the uneconomics of coal in Italy



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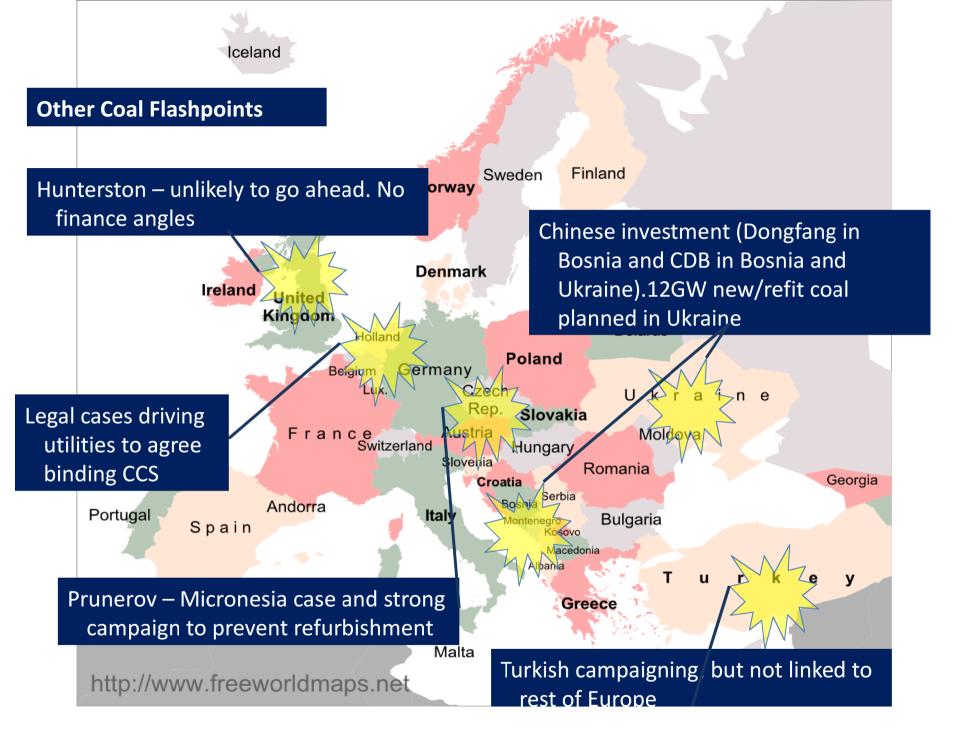
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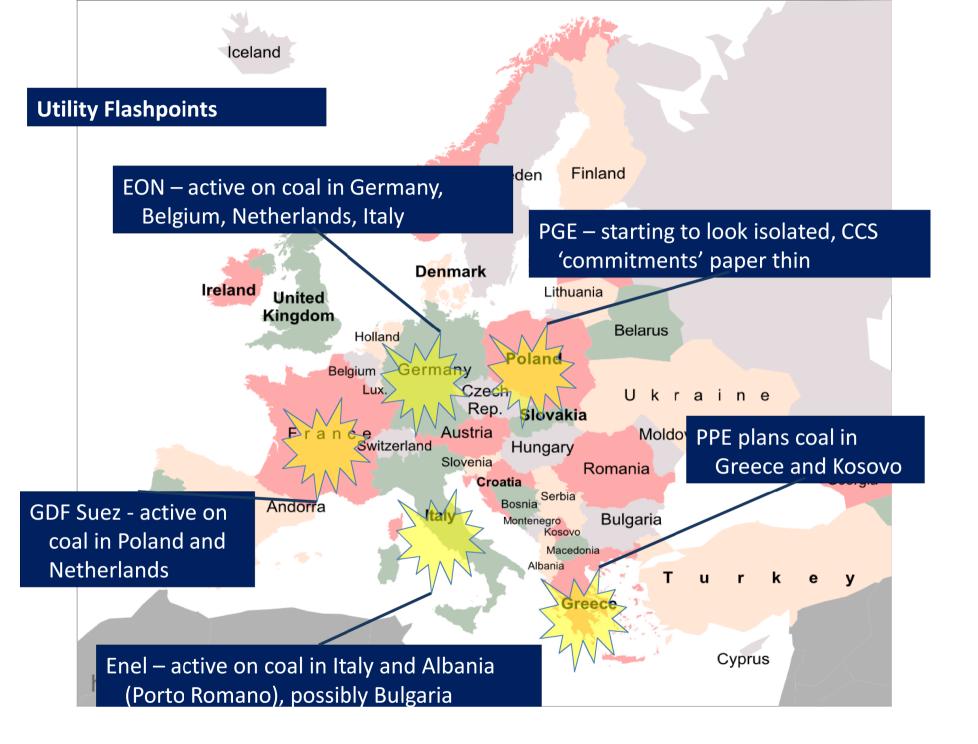
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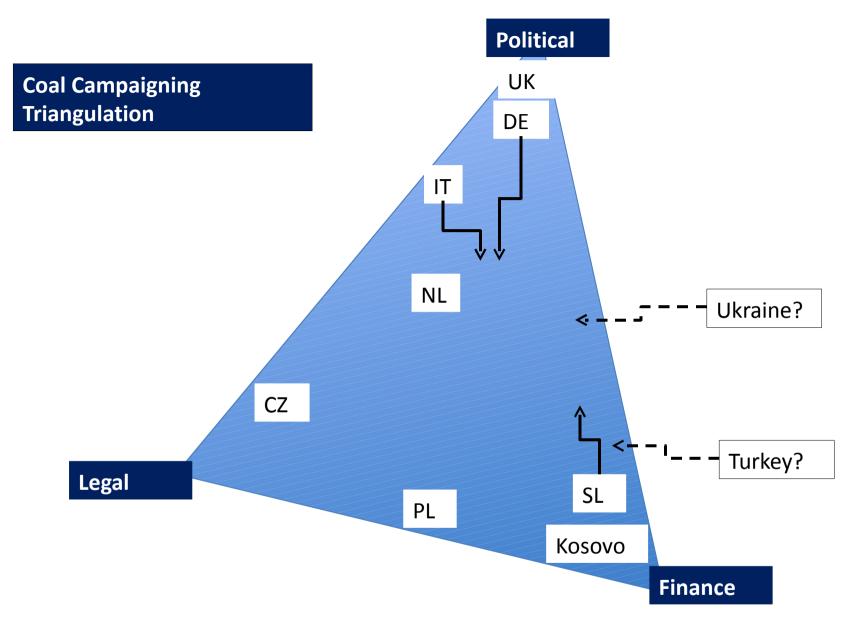
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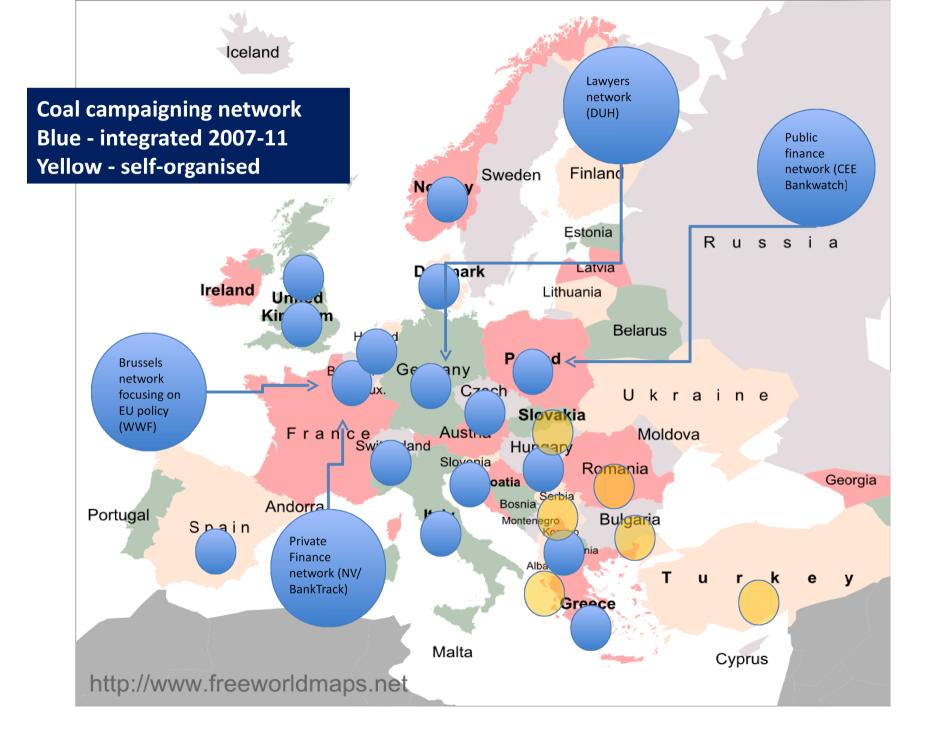
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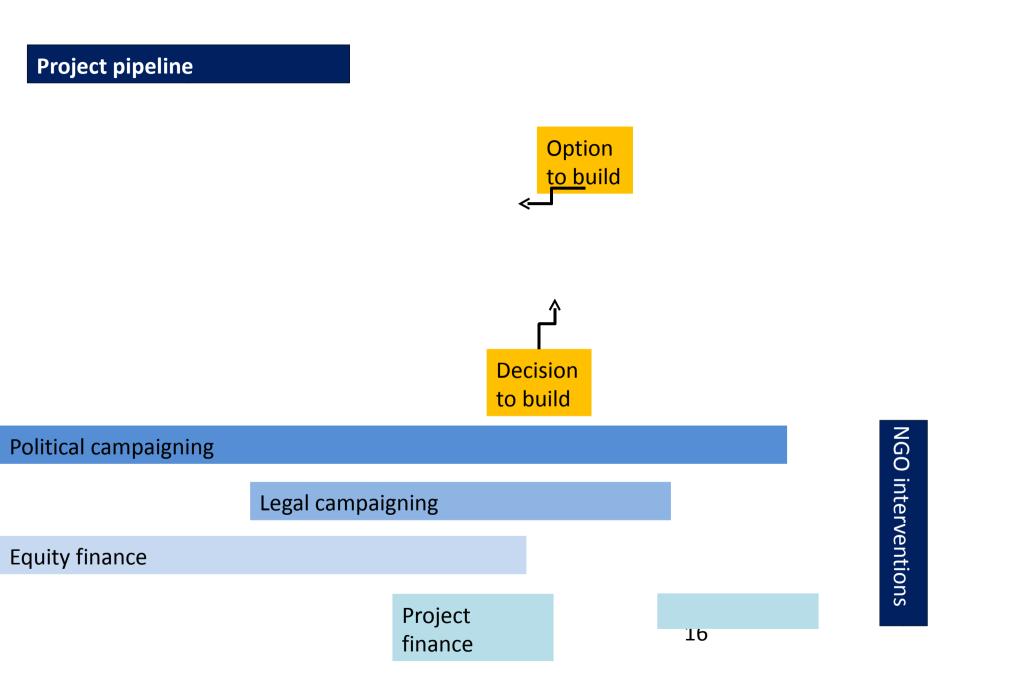
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Key messages

The energy supply of the 21st century is more than ever shaped by coal. Almost all developing and threshold countries trust that coal is a long-term, reliable basis for the development of the economy and society.

According to estimates of the International Energy Agency (IEA), coal will have the same importance as oil for the world-wide supply of energy until 2030.

Hard coal and lignite represent approximately 80% of EU reserves of fossil fuels. As coal ensures safe, reliable, affordable and sustainable energy for all, it will be very much needed in the decades to come.

On a global scale coal is and will be energy No.1 for power generation. Coal-fired power generation technology still has substantial potential for development and cost-efficient climate protection with coal is already possible today.

Carbon Capture and Storage (CCS) is important for international climate protection policies; it is expected to deliver one fifth of very ambitious GHG reductions by 2050. For CCS to become commercial in the next decades, an EU CCS demonstration network has to be created in this decade.

An appropriate climate protection policy must consider all greenhouse gas emissions from all fossil fuels. An efficient and affordable CO2 transport network on European level is needed and the EU should pro-actively promote the creation of a CO2 infrastructure together with EU Member States.

Coal utilisation can co-exist with the development of power generation based considerably on renewables. Precisely new coal-fired power plants will be able to meet the variable feeding in of larger quantities of power from renewables much more flexibly and cover the gaps in supply.



COAL: HERE TO STAY

COAL-GEN Europe 2012 will reaffirm the importance of coal under the theme, *COAL: HERE TO STAY - THE REALITY OF EUROPE'S ENERGY MIX*.

COAL-GEN E U R O P E

"Coal is here to stay" are the words echoed by Milton Catelin, head of World Coal Institute during his presentation at the World Future Energy Summit held in Abu Dhabi in January 2011. This underlines the importance of coal that will be the mainstay of future energy security.

Coal is a vital fuel in most parts of the world. Some 23% of primary energy needs are met by coal and 39% of electricity is generated from coal. About 70% of world steel production depends on coal feedstock. Coal is the world's most abundant and widely distributed fossil fuel



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BUT – coal messaging is starting to look very defensive

Dimensions of risk for investors

Climate disruption risks

Economic disruption via electricity failure (low risk)

Recent market experience

Economic risks

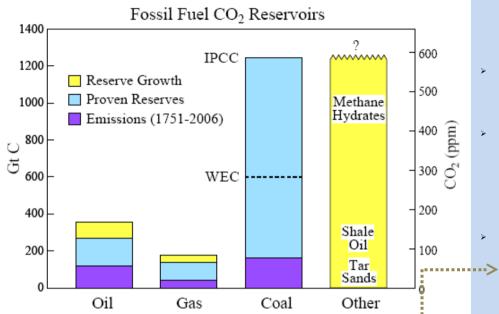
Policy risks

Political risks

Risk outlook



Climate disruption risks of coal



"Continued growth of greenhouse gas emissions, for just another decade, practically eliminates the possibility of nearterm return of atmospheric composition beneath the tipping level for catastrophic effects." Hansen et al, 2008

- The global consensus is that the world should be kept within a 2°C temperature rise (40-60% chance ~ 450ppm).
- Conversion of known reserves of gas and oil risks concentrations of CO2 ~ 450ppm.
- Conversion of known coal reserves risks concentrations of CO2 consistent with a world without ice and outside the Holocene temperature range that gave rise to human civilisation.
- 10 year turnaround required:
 - 12Gt less CO2 must be emitted in 2020 in order to achieve 450ppm (Mckinsey CC 2.1).
 - WEO 2010 specifically projects coal use must peak by 2020 then decline to 2003 levels by 2035 in order to stay within 450ppm.
 - But new coal plants lock in coal use for 40 years.
- G20: Common but differentiated responsibility means Europe /OECD must decarbonise ahead of other economies. Nearly all EU capacity must be replaced in next 40 years.

⁴EU's 80% by 2050 target only possible with *zero-carbon power*. High chance governments will address this in 2010s

EU-27 total GHG emissions GtCO2e per year	Sector	Abatement	Within sector1, 2	Fuel shift
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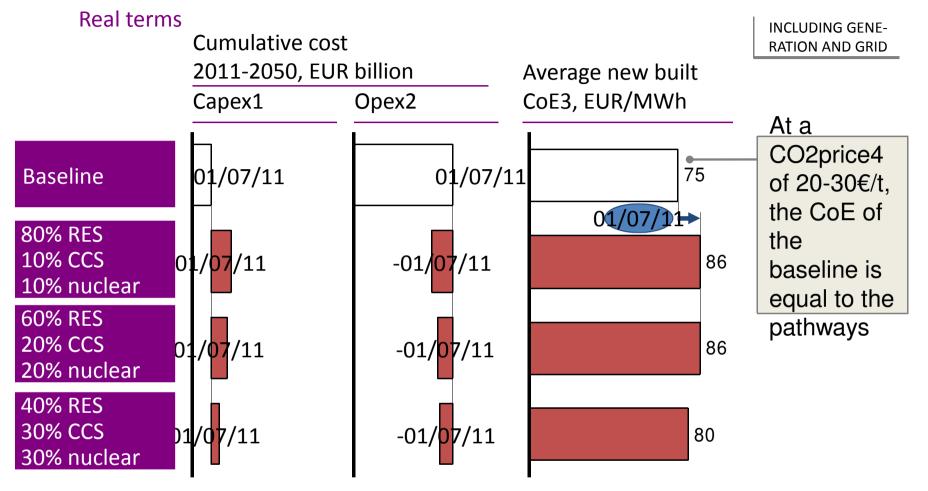
1 Based on the McKinsey Global GHG Abatement Cost Curve

2 Large efficiency improvements already included in the baseline

3 CCS applied to 50% of industry (cement, chemistry, iron and steel, petroleum and gas, not applied to other industries)

SOURCE: : Mckinsey et al, Roadmap 2050 – a coalition of experts, industry and academics assembled by ECF to address European decarbonisation. See www.roadmap2050.eu

Low risk of 'lights going off' if no new unabated coal (with decarbonised EU network as reliable as today)



1 For new builds from 2011 to 2050, including additional grid capex

2 Opex for all new and operating plants includes variable, fixed, as well as fuel cost; also includes opex for additional backup plants and additional grid

3 Cost of electricity with a WACC of 7% (real after tax), weighted average based on the CoE in each 10-year time frame (2020, 2030, 2040, 2050) for new built capacity; including grid

4 Carbon prices shown in Chapter 2 were used only to develop the macro-economic analysis of the baseline

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New European coal projects projected in mid 2007

16 projects permitted	Mainly Germany and Italy	
98 projects in the EU at various stages from early announcements of intent to seeking permission	Mostly in Germany, Poland, UK. Italy and Netherlands	
46 projects given outline permission in Turkey		
5 in Western Balkans candidate accession countries plus c12GW identified in Ukraine energy strategy for refurbishment and replacement		
RWE, DONG, Vattenfall, GDF Suez, EON, Iberdrola, PGE, CEZ, ENEA, Enel all pursuing substantial new coal		

Situation 2011

16 permitted	 4 operational, 3 under construction, but subject to legal challenge (Datteln, Hamburg, Mannheim); 4 face legal challenge plus significant prospect of binding CCS timetable (Netherlands - one with binding EPS); 1 with commercial scale CCS demonstration (Belchatow); 4 under construction 	
98 EU projects	42 remain in the pipeline, but some of these are watching brief only	
46 in Turkey	?	
5 in Western Balkans plus c12GW Ukraine	Albania delayed, Kosovo, Serbia, Montenegro, Bosnia all advancing	
RWE, DONG, Vattenfall, Iberdrola all abandoned new coal projects ENEA wobbling Enel, EON, GDF Suez, CEZ, PGE all still pursuing new coal		

Economic risk environment - Coal not turned out to be

Return risks

- Capex risen compared to CCGT leading to diminishing competitiveness . Specifically in context of high load factors becoming less achievable as intermittent RES advances & high WACC).
- Diminishing project value as utility economies of scale disrupted (eg EON's)
- Structural over-capacity in some markets (eg DE) compounded by reduction in demand and lower near term demand projections.
- CCGTs and RES are being built as considered more economic, flexible, or supported. Platts Power in Europe Jan 2010 suggests 106 CCGTs (61.1GW) under construction and in advanced development and 47GW of RES projects.

Commodity price volatility

 Coal prices have proved volatile. 2008 price shock – coal not efficient hedge when all fossil prices rise.

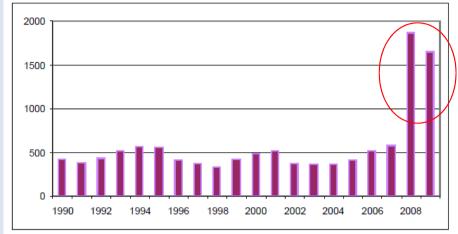


Figure 3.4: Coal's EPC premium versus CCGT in \$/kW

Source: Mott MacDonald

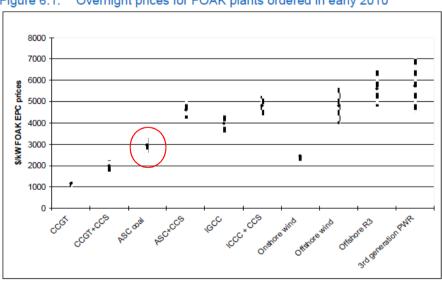


Figure 6.1: Overnight prices for FOAK plants ordered in early 2010

Source: Mott MacDonald Mott Macdonald June 2010 update for UK government on generation costs

Policy risk environment – governments have regulated

Incompatibility risk

Climate policy has continued on a 20 year tightening trend. Unabated coal is systematically in conflict with this trend.

Enforcement risk

Article 10c derogation interpretation likely to constrain Poland's ambitions* (RWE and Vattenfall have pulled out citing uncertainty).

Legitimate policy change risks (examples)

- > IPPC Directive now clarifies that MSs can introduce EPS.
- [>] UK set to introduce EPS 'at the level of a modern gas plant'. Meantime UK requires at least 300MW net CCS on any new coal project.

> Netherlands considering CCS-EPS 'deal'.

*The IPPC directive article 10c derogation (from ETS auctioning between 2013-2020) is for plants where the 'investment process' has been 'physically initiated'. In PL and CZ. Poland maintains a loose definition and says 15GW of capacity complies. But the Commission and other member states have not yet accepted the Polish definition. This may be decided in 2011.

⁸Political risk environment: Public opposition to new coal has influenced utility decisions and regulatory environment

Coal controversy in	Outcome
Germany	16 projects abandoned, 9 facing protest, three projects under construction facing legal challenge
UK	13 projects abandoned. Only coal with CCS allowed. One project applying for consent. Hatfield IGCC project CCGT consented but not gasifier until CCS chain formalised
Hungary	Matra project abandoned. Coal mining subsidies ended. Vertesi to close.
Czech Republic	Controversy over Prunerov upgrade led to fall of minister
Slovakia	Trebišov project abandoned
Greece	Government policy now excludes coal plants utilising imported hard coal
Poland	Polish 10c derogation criteria being challenged. Vattenfall and RWE withdrawn from all new coal projects. Enea expressing doubts about coal
Denmark	Controversy over DONG projects in UK and Germany led to Denmark withdrawing DONG from all new coal projects in Europe
Switzerland	Swiss interests have withdrawn from projects in Germany following protests
Slovenia	Sostanj 6 project granted permits but now facing criminal investigation following critical finance ministry report
Netherlands	Four projects are likely to form part of a 'deal' involving government support for CCS alongside firm timetable. One (NUON Eemshaven) has adopted binding EPS
Belgium	EON Antwerp project delayed following protests
Italy	Delays at local level to new coal projects and Porto Tolle halted through legal action
US	Of 151 coal projects planned in the US more than 100 have been halted by campaigners; some states have an EPS; 8 banks now have coal policies



Return risks

- > Uncertainties around coal related to shale gas & Caspian
 - hype chilling investment;
 - easing of gas reliance concerns (security & price) for governments & utilities;
 - increasing risks around gas lock-in; and
 - impact in Poland.

German policy in flux since Fukushima with

Conclusion

- Investors who bet on resurgence in coal on the back of utility plans in 2007 failed to assess the political and economic risks accurately. Even fully permitted plants have been subject to CCS policy.
- > There is no evidence risks around new coal are easing.
- Coal faces uncertainties around shale gas and regulation. EU governments are increasingly advancing RES and EE regardless of global climate deal because fossil-based BAU has climate, security and economic risks.
- > IIGCC intervened on a coal decision: "We are concerned that this may end up as a choice
- Working assumption: if new coal projects do not have an economically and technically credible pathway to full CCS they face limited running.