

# Renewables 2017

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### **Context**

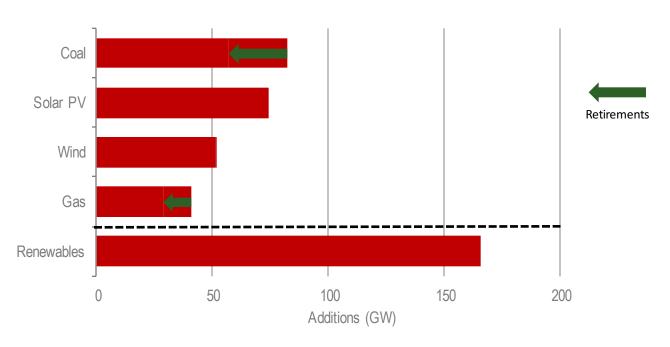


- Policy support & technology progress continue to drive robust growth in renewables
- Solar PV broke new records in 2016, led by China
  - > Solar PV grew faster than any other form of generating capacity
- Competitive auctions are seeing record-low prices for wind & solar
- Prospects for renewables underpinned by need to address core energy challenges
  - > Air pollution still a major problem
  - Universal access to modern energy remains a distant goal
  - Current climate pledges fall short of meeting mitigation goals

### 2016 – Renewables hitting new records driven by solar PV



### Power capacity additions by fuel 2016

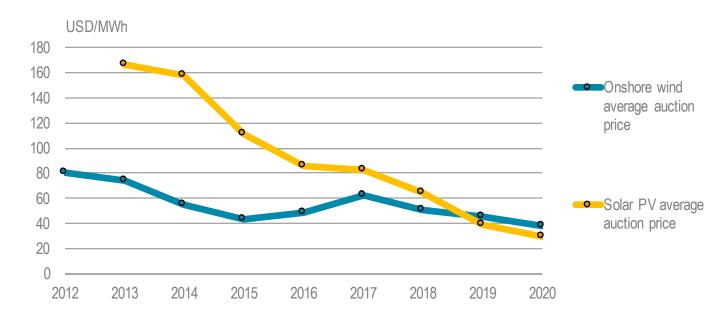


Renewables breaking an all-time record accounting for two thirds of global net capacity additions; For the first time solar PV becoming the global leader in net capacity growth

## Competition driving costs down



#### Announced wind and solar PV average auction prices by commissioning date

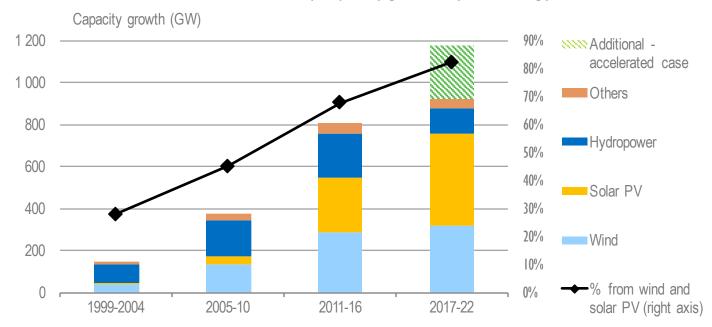


Price discovery through competitive auctions effectively reduces costs along the entire value chain; Auctions with long-term contracts will drive almost half of new capacity growth over 2017-22

## Renewables growth more and more dependent on wind and solar



#### Renewable electricity capacity growth by technology



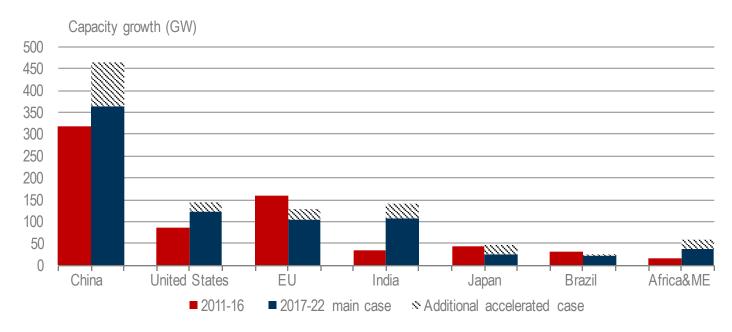
Solar PV enters a new era, becoming the undisputed leader in renewable power capacity growth;

PV also accounts for 60% of the upside potential in the accelerated case

## China continues to lead growth while India overtakes the EU



#### Renewable capacity growth by country/region

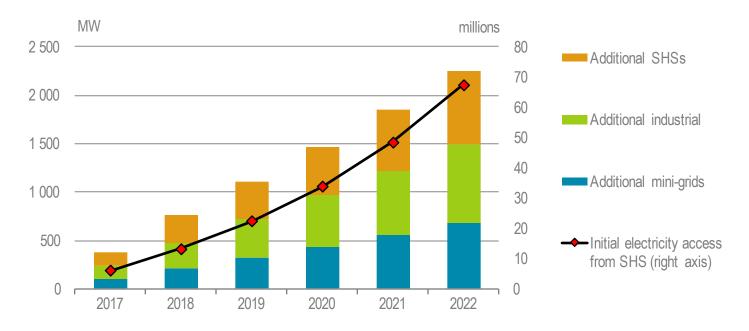


The forecast is 12% more optimistic vs. last year mainly due to solar PV revisions in China and India; Growth could be 27% higher with enhanced policies addressing regulatory uncertainties and grid integration

### Solar PV enabling electrification in India, Bangladesh and sub-Saharan Africa



### Cumulative growth of off-grid solar PV applications in developing Asia and sub-Saharan Africa



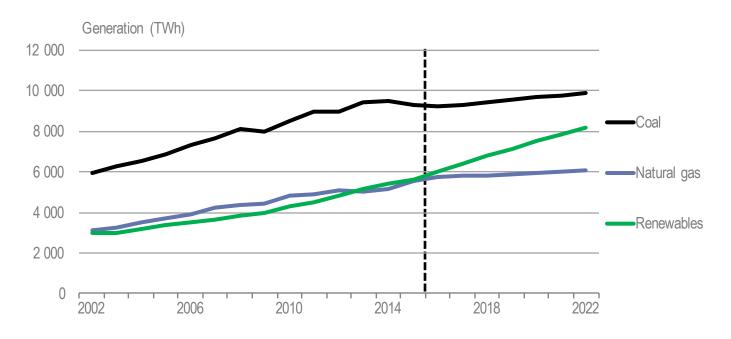
With government policies and innovative business models, off-grid PV capacity triples in Africa and developing Asia.

Small home systems bring initial electricity access to almost 70 million by 2022

## Renewables closing the gap with coal



### Electricity generation by fuel

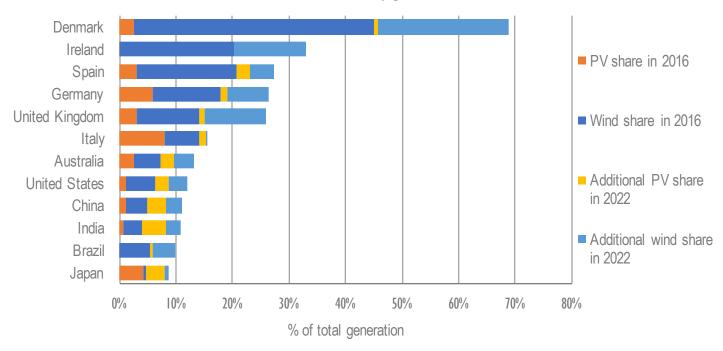


Renewable generation to expand by over a third with its share increasing from 24% in 2016 to 30% in 2022, rapidly closing the gap with coal

### Wind and solar transforming power sector - system integration becomes key





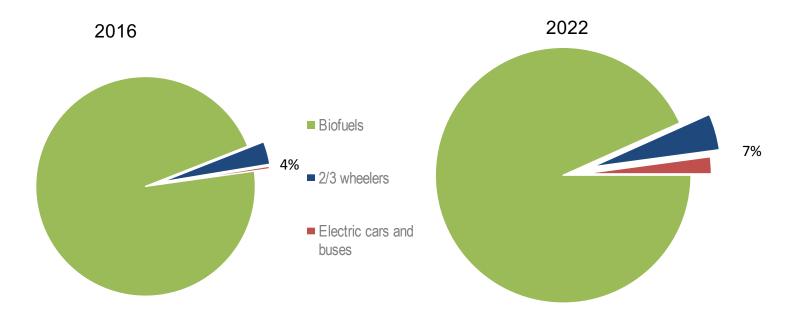


More flexible power systems, adapted market design and policies will have to play a key role in integrating larger shares of wind and solar in a secure and cost-effective way

## Surging EVs to complement biofuels in renewable transport



Biofuels and electric vehicles contribution to renewable energy consumption in road transport

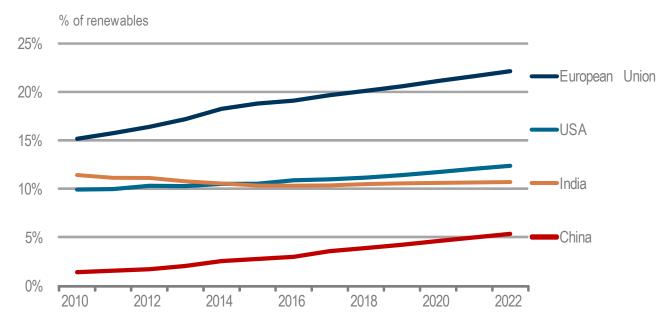


Share of renewables in road transport increases from 4% in 2016 to almost 5% in 2022, with biofuels representing 80% of the growth led by Asia & Brazil; EV electricity consumption doubles by 2022, with renewables providing 30% of demand

## Progress in renewable heat depends on strong policies



### Share of renewables in heat consumption by selected countries



Renewables share in heat consumption rises from 9% in 2016 to 11% in 2022. China leads absolute growth with new targets; EU remains the largest renewable heat consumer while total heat demand outpaces renewables growth in India

## **Concluding remarks**



- Renewables rise by 1,000 GW to 2022, equal to half of current total coal capacity
- Renewables generation exceeds 8,000 TWh by 2022, equal to total electricity consumption of China, India & Germany combined
- Solar PV enters a new era leading the growth in renewables, driven by a rapid expansion in deployment & manufacturing capacity in China
- > Despite rapid growth in EVs, decarbonisation of transport is a long way off
  - > Only 30% of electricity used by EVs is sourced from renewables
  - > Advanced biofuels require specific incentives to bolster deployment
- Policymakers have to turn their focus to system integration & expanding the use of renewables for heating & cooling