

Climate Recon 2050: Dialogues on Pathways and Policy

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Climate protection scenario 2050

Results with focus on almost net zero emissions

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1. *Climate Protection Scenario 2050* for Germany – Overview

- Title: Climate Protection Scenario 2050
- Sponsor: Federal Ministry for the Environment, Nature Conservation and Nuclear Safety
- Publication: 2015 (German version) / 2016 (English summary)
- Institutes: Oeko-Institut and Fraunhofer ISI
- Three scenarios:
 - Existing Measures Scenario (2012) → Reference scenario
 - Climate Protection Scenario 80 → Aiming for 80% GHG emission reduction and fulfill all national energy targets
 - **Climate Protection Scenario 95** → Aiming for 95% GHG emission reduction including international transport and land use, land-use change and forestry (LULUCF)

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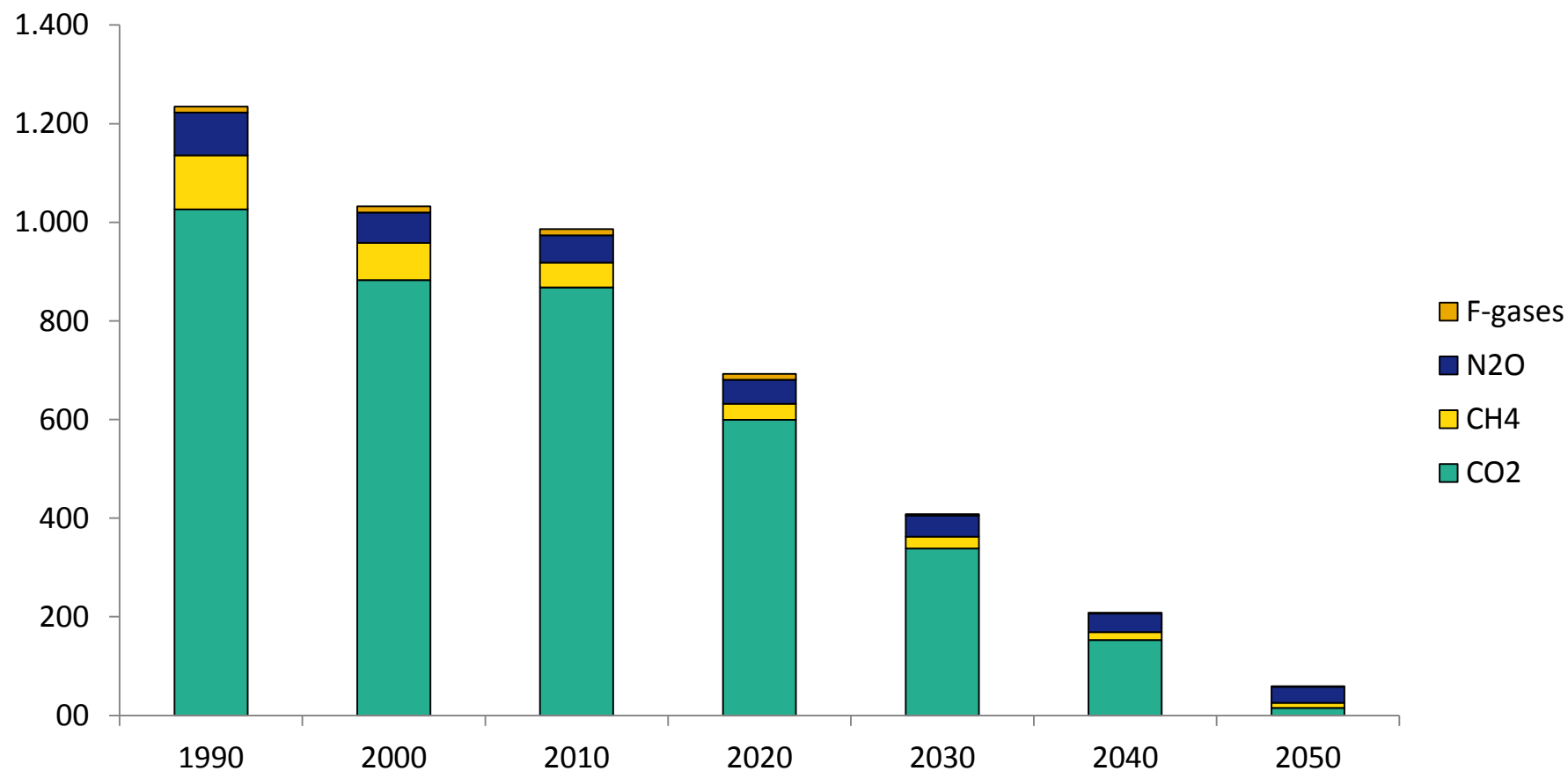
2. Key strategies

- Energy sectors:
 - Promotion of energy efficiency → **Halving energy consumption**
 - Strong deployment of renewable energies → **RES shares of approx. 90%**
 - Limited biomass use → **Electrification across all sectors** plus synthetic liquid fuels in transport
 - Bioenergy use and CCS (BECCS) in iron & steel industry and cement production → small CO₂ sink
- Non-energy sectors:
 - Industrial processes: **Carbon capture and storage (CCS)**
 - Agriculture: Reduction of meat export and domestic meat consumption → **reduction in animal numbers**
 - Land use and forestry: **Protection forests and of moor soils** → significant CO₂ sink
- Social and behavioural changes:
 - Reduced room temperatures in buildings
 - Transformation to compact cities

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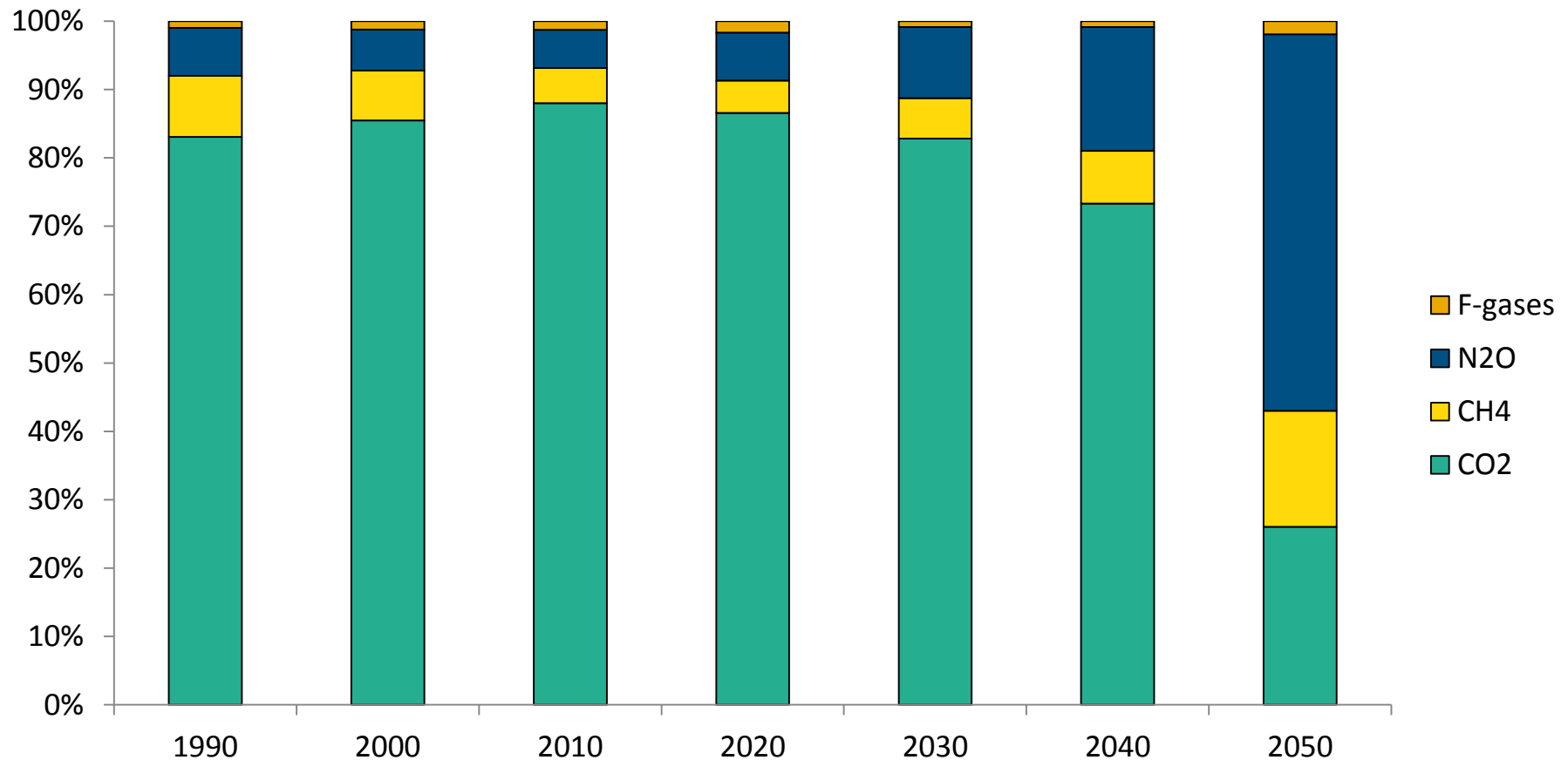
3. Reduction of net GHG emissions



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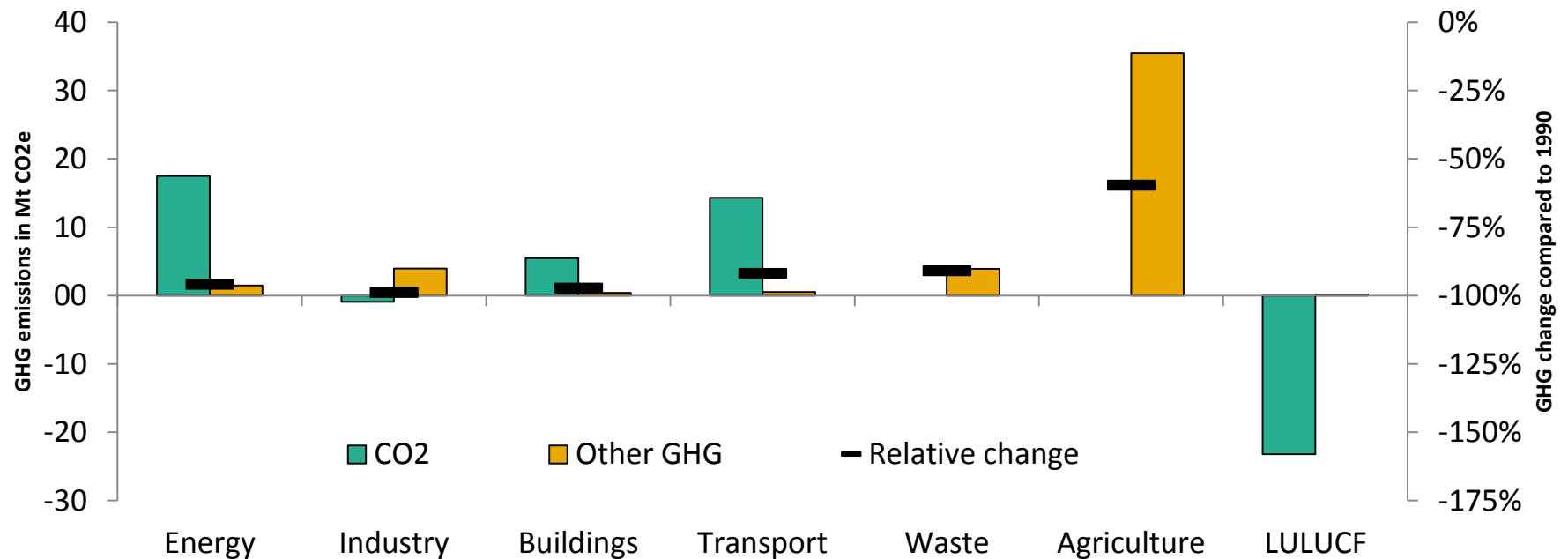
4. Relative importance of gases



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5. Net emissions per sector



- GHG emission reduction potential differs significantly between different sectors
- Almost CO₂ neutral, most net emissions are from non-CO₂ gases
- More than half of remaining emissions from agriculture
→ mainly CH₄ from enteric fermentation and N₂O from agricultural soils