Energy Systems Scenarios - latest ETI analysis

ETI10 TEN YEARS OF INNOVATION 2007 – 2017

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Welcome and Introduction

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Agenda

• Recap of ETI modelling approach & 2015 scenarios

• What has changed since 2015?
  – CCS cancellation, big nuclear & SMRs
  – Success of renewables, falling cost of batteries
  – Hydrogen for heating?
  – At or nearing a tipping point for EV’s?

• Key areas of technology and resource uncertainty as illustrated in the Clean Growth Strategy & potential topics to be explored in a 2018 scenarios update
  – Electrification
  – Hydrogen
  – Emissions Removal

• Conclusions
RECAP OF ETI MODELLING APPROACH & 2015 SCENARIOS
Energy Systems Modelling Environment

- Whole-system approach: power, heat, transport, industry and energy infrastructure
- Least cost optimisation, policy neutral
- Deployment & utilisation of 300+ technologies
- Probabilistic treatment of key uncertainties
- Pathway and supply chain constraints to 2050
- Spatial and temporal resolution sufficient for system engineering

More details in *Modelling Low-Carbon Energy System Designs with the ETI ESME Model* available on the website: [http://www.eti.co.uk/programmes/strategy/esme](http://www.eti.co.uk/programmes/strategy/esme)
ESME and the wider ETI modelling suite
Recap of the 2015 Scenarios

CLOCKWORK

• Carbon Offsetting
• Institutional Mandate
• National scale infrastructure
• Phased decarbonisation

PATCHWORK

• Extensive renewables
• Societal Engagement
• Multiscale Infrastructure
• Parallel decarbonisation
ENERGY TRANSITION ANALYSIS - KEY LESSONS LEARNT

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Preparing for scale up and wide scale deployment by mid 2020’s:

- Technology development
- Consumer / social value
- Business models
- Supporting infrastructure
- Democratic Legitimacy
- Supply chains
- Early demonstration & deployment
WHAT HAS CHANGED SINCE 2015?
A world of political dichotomy yields new risks & opportunities

- COP21, Trump, China, EU & Brexit, the role of states and cities
- Decarbonisation has decoupled from economic growth
- 2015, 2016 and 2017 likely to be warmest years on record
- 71% of UK public concerned or very concerned about climate change

- Increasing risk of litigation related to extreme events and health issues
- G20 Task Force develops climate-related financial disclosure framework
- Global progress with carbon pricing/policies
- Sector adjacency eg, Shell, Dyson, Google

Corporate Knights, February 2017

Euronews, 15th August 2017

The CCC, June 2017
Nuclear project delays and CCS struggling to gain momentum

**Nuclear**
- 4 AP1000 reactors in China expected to start commercial operation in 2018 (delay of 3 years)
- Westinghouse bankruptcy, Toshiba bail-out
- Construction halted at VC Summer in South Carolina, 67% complete
- Hinkley Point C £1.5bn cost increase & risk of 15 month delay
- Small Modular Reactors competition

**CCS**
- 17 large scale CCS plants in operation, 5 in construction
- Many more projects in development but few reaching commercial close & start of construction

- Clean Growth Strategy: up to £100m in innovation and new CCUS Council, to develop option of deploying CCUS at scale in the UK
- Climate Investments announces the Clean Gas Project
Global surge in wind and solar but fossil fuels continue to dominate

- Globally, 80% of energy from fossil fuels, 11% from biomass and 9% electricity
- Estimated global solar capacity of 390GW by end 2017 (same as nuclear)
- Solar and wind each generate 1.8% of total global electricity vs 11% for nuclear and 40% for coal
- Wind accounts for 10% of EU generation & 12% in UK, from 10GW of onshore and 5GW of offshore
- 46% new EU wind investments announced in 2016 in the UK

- Battery costs continue to fall

2016 Clean Energy Investment, EU

Source: WindEurope
Hydrogen for heating?
EV’s poised to take off – but how quickly?

- Air pollution a more urgent concern than climate change
- EV’s have become a status symbol
- Range ‘doubling’ with each new release (likely to overshoot need in order to reduce anxiety)
- Volvo – all new cars electric by 2019, Toyota already 40% hybrid in UK (Lexus 99%)
- HMG – announcement to end the sale of new conventional petrol and diesel cars by 2040
- VWs diesel scandal & scrappage schemes appear to be nudging consumers
1.5º has elevated interest in net zero & hard to abate sectors

- Afforestation, BECCS and negative emissions
  - Controversy around their role & the reliance on BECCS in modelling
  - CCC, Scottish & Welsh Governments developing strategy/policies

- Attention turning to industrial processes & long distance transport
A more complicated and dynamic world

- Fossil fuel reigns
- National
- Single sector
- Centralised
- Commodity
- Single revenue stream
- 1.5ºC, 2ºC……or 4ºC
- Interconnected, regional and local
- Multi sector & integrated
- Decentralised
- Services
- Multiple fragmented revenue streams
CLEAN GROWTH STRATEGY
3 Illustrative Pathways

- 83% of buildings use electric heating
- 100% of car and van km are electric
- 55% of HGV km are zero emission
- No CCS

- Majority of buildings use a hydrogen grid
- 100% of car and van km are hydrogen
- Steam methane reforming & CCS

- Bioenergy with CCS creates 20Mtpa negative emissions
How far can intermittent renewables take us?

ELECTRIFICATION
Electricity Capacity

Clockwork

Patchwork
Optimal mix of wind/solar to minimise storage in Germany & California

Source: Energy Transitions Commission
Optimal mix of wind/solar to minimise storage in the UK

Total Load Shifting - UK (2015 data)
300GW where total PV output = total demand

~300GW Annual Summary

GB Electricity Demand Avg July Day showing PV share (from 300GW capacity)

GB Electricity Demand Avg December Day showing PV share (from 300GW capacity)
‘Pure PV+storage’ seasonal balancing

Pure PV + storage scenario would require energy volume capacity of almost 90TWh not accounting for losses. (Compared to current 10TWh natural gas storage)
Storage Volume Duration Curve (2015)
83%:17% Wind:Solar
HYDROGEN
The role for hydrogen in the energy system

- ETI historical analysis highlights potential roles for hydrogen in peaking power plant, in industry and in transport, illustrated below through ‘Patchwork’ scenario
ETI’s hydrogen projects and analysis

Programmes:

Insights:

Model:

Projects:
Heat…Hydrogen…and Hype

- No single solution for low carbon heating

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Actual UK gas transmission network (from nationalgrid.com)

Network is represented using the regional resolution used for everything in ESME

Power sector above shows approach:
Significant system challenges with an enforced 100% conversion

- 60-200GW of hydrogen plant producing up to 600TWh in 2050 (including industry & power demand)
- CO2 sequestration over 200 Mtpa in 2050
- 800GWh/200GW hydrogen storage capacity in salt caverns
But some hydrogen for heating is selected

- Using H21 cost assumptions, conversion of 8-54% of homes to hydrogen in optimised runs
- Hydrogen capacity mainly used as heat boost to nominally sized heat pumps in hybrid systems
- Operation of hydrogen stores to meet peak day demand impacts optimum deployment

Space Heat production (TWh)
Optimising production, storage & transmission is a complex problem

Peak Day, Morning 6-10am
- Hydrogen stores (salt caverns) emptying in Northern England
- Hydrogen production plants (main CCS clusters on east coast) running hard
- Significant transmission flows towards major demand centres. Similar magnitude to current gas transmission

Hydrogen stores in NW, NE, YH (salt caverns)
Hydrogen production plants
Preliminary conclusions about the potential role for hydrogen in heating

- Very significant whole system challenges to UK wide roll-out of hydrogen for heating

- Further evidence required to underpin modelling assumptions eg:
  - Siting constraints for >100GW of CCS plant
  - Offshore storage sites for 200mtpa CO2 injection
  - Ability of hydrogen stores to deliver peak day demand as well as seasonal and diurnal storage
  - Salt cavern sites in NW/NE, combined with transmission and distributed storage

- Cost reduction required across supply chain, but particularly in hydrogen production & storage sub-systems

- Analysis to date suggest that hydrogen may be best used in combination with baseload heat pumps

- No apparent reason to hold off transition to heat pumps and/or gas hybrid solutions
Bioenergy with CCS

EMISSIONS REMOVAL
A route to meeting - 80% GHG for the UK
Power now, heat next, transport gradual – cost optimal

Chart data from base case v4.3
ETI Bioenergy Programme – key questions

How much negative emissions could be realised through bioenergy deployment in the UK?

What would be the best ways to use this bioenergy in the future UK energy system?

What are the right combinations of feedstock, pre-processing, and conversion technologies?

Enabling policy, regulatory and market frameworks. Understanding public perception
Bioenergy value chains can deliver genuine carbon savings

- dLUC emissions can be material, but are of second order importance in chains with CCS
- In grassland transitions, SOC change is somewhat offset by increased above ground biomass
- Existing sustainability criteria prevent the most damaging land use transitions
Critical evidence has been collated across the BECCS value chain
Significant advances have been made in de-risking BECCS deployment

- BECCS is critical to deploy in order for the UK to meet its 2050 emissions target cost effectively
- The evidence base suggests that BECCS value chains can deliver genuine sizeable negative emissions
- The UK is well-placed to exploit the benefits of BECCS, given the storage opportunities offshore, our experience in bioenergy deployments and our strength in bioenergy and CCS research and development
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Still to come… 30 projects, 10 insights…
Questions?

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