Green Electrification and Digitalization Keys to Resilient and Carbon-Neutral Europe

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World is going electric – Digitalization key to manage the transition

Electricity generation grows > 2.5 x by 2050

Figure 6.7 ▷ Global electricity generation by source and scenario, 2010-2050



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Electricity generation from unabated fossil fuels peak by 2030, as low-emissions sources February 7, Pathp up and renewables dominate electricity supply in all scenarios by 2050

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Clean electricity replaces fossile energy to decarbonize the world



As markets rebalance, the upside for coal is temporary as renewable generation rises by 90% to 2030; the peak in power sector emissions needs to be followed by a much steeper decline to be consistent with global climate goals

Electricity is turning the corner



Green transition leads to huge investment boom

3 -4 \$ trillion (10^12) yearly investments necessary

Figure 3.22 Solution Global average annual energy investment by sector and technology in the NZE Scenario





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Investment increases rapidly in electricity, infrastructure and end-use sectors; fossil fuel investments decrease and low-emissions fuel investments increase

Weather dependent power generation dominates the mix in 2040 – case Finland

Intelligent sector coupling and real-time optimization keysto resilience



Wind power growth potential 2040

- Utilizing renewable generation fully requires balancing with other sectors – incl. heat, industries and hydrogen
- Optimizing sector integration requires collaboration and solving of real-time, complex system models
- Autonomous AI driven systems and 5G/6G ICT networks basis for this automation
- Energy sector links to ICT and cyber security

Green Electrification transition

Great opportunities, with some challenges to address

Energy landscape will change with the need of decarbonization

Transforming from linear, wasteful to integrated



Maximize the value of used energy through high efficiency and synergies

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Optimizing system-level energy efficiency and reliability



Optimization of sector coupling over the energy system – case P2X

Manage the entire value chain from production to distribution to end-use



Virtualized electrical network protection & control

Manage the increased dynamics and complexity to enable the green transition

