

Modelling the transformation of the European Energy System



What is REEEM?

REEEM is a Horizon 2020 Research and Innovation action, funded under the Low-carbon Energy call LCE21-2015. It provides a comprehensive and transparent assessment of the implications of EU decarbonisation strategies through a large modelling framework.

Its four key activities are:

- 1. Co-design of deep decarbonisation pathways for the EU and its Member States
- 2. Development of an integrated assessment framework spanning several sectors and spatial scales
- 3. Creation of platforms for informing policy decisions.
- 4. Creation of transparency in model-based assessments.

Outcomes of REEEM

Key Messages Based on data and results

REEEMpathways Article based Tool that visualises the results and enables stakeholders interaction

Open Database All data and results are available for review and accessible

REEEMgame Energy System Learning Simulation based on data from OSeMBE

REEEM provides a range of tools, enabling external actors to understand the dynamics and implications of EU decarbonisation, further the analysis and actively participate in the project

EMP-E An Energy Modelling Platform for Europe created with inputs from DG Ener, R&I and JRC

OSeMBE An Open Source Energy Model Base for the EU built in OSeMOSYS

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Decarbonisation pathways

3 Deep decarbonisation pathways are assessed:

Coalitions for a low carbon path: energy carrier suppliers take on the highest burden in the decarbonisation of the EU energy system, while consumers observe it mostly passively or respond to policies as they come.

Local solutions: consumers (especially households) engage in the transition towards a lowcarbon energy system, by choices on end use appliances, energy efficiency measures and transportation technologies.

Paris Agreement: the EU undertakes an ambitious decarbonisation effort, with a target of 95% reduction of CO2 emissions by 2050. This overshoots the Paris Agreement pledges. Both energy carrier suppliers and consumers engage in the challenge.

Multi Modelling Framework

A suite of around 15 best-in-class modelling tools is used, looking at different aspects of the transition to a low-carbon energy system and on different scales spanning from EU28+2 to case studies covering either single countries or even municipalities. In many cases those models are soft-linked resulting in a multi-modelling framework.

Placement of the Models in the REEEM toolset:

- Energy system Integration (blue)
- Technology & Innovation (green)
- Behaviour (yel)
- Economy (red)



Find the Model Fact Sheet here: www.reeem.org/index.php.models 1.

Multi Modelling Framework



Key messages

From the model-based assessment, we extracted few key integrated messages.

Multidimensional impacts of the transition to a low carbon EU energy system - A story of costs and benefits

Broader engagement is imperative for deep decarbonisation

The EU low-carbon transition is linked to non-EU drivers

Marginal cost vs marginal benefits of low-carbon transition and implications

Among the technology trends, sectoral integration, energy efficiency and electrification of transportation consistently confirmed as potential enablers of the decarbonisation

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REEEMpathways

REEEMpathways is an article-based open access online tool, developed to visualize the results and key messages of the project and to enable stakeholder interaction.

REEEMpathways is populated by data stored in the REEEM Pathways Database and provides public access to modelling insights from the project.

The tool allows REEEM partners to publish and update their own articles providing multiple types of static and dynamic charts to choose from to visualize their own key messages and the data behind it.

REEEMpathways has been integrated with Twitter and this enables discussion of results/key messages and allows other modellers to contribute with their knowledge.

Following the concept of the REEEM project, this allows policy makers and stakeholders to explore and compare possible decarbonization pathways and hopefully this can assist in understanding the effects of and requirements for energy system changes.

REEEMpathways





www.pathways.reeem.org

REEEMgame

REEEMgame is developed to disseminate the data behind the simplified Open-source Engagement Model: OSeMBE and the purpose is to support learning sessions with stakeholders and provide a low-threshold understanding of energy system dynamics.

REEEMgame simulates how the future will look depending on how the player decides to act and the goal is to maximize the score in 2050, considering the social, environmental and economic dimensions.

At three points in time (2020, 2030, 2040) decisions need to be made concerning the emission reduction pathway, the investment in Renewable Energy Technologies, and the trans-border electricity transmission between European countries.

The game aims to let the player interactively discover how (policy) decisions might affect the development of the European electricity sector in the transition to a low carbon system.

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