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# From Tracking Progress to Pathways to Sustainable Energy

Regional Workshop on Development of National Sustainable Energy Policies Multi-stakeholder consultations

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# GTF: UNECE Progress in Sustainable Energy

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## Final Consultation

Further feedback received before **16 October 2017** will be considered for inclusion into the report.



# Broadening the Set of Indicators

## Tracking Progress for Energy for Sustainable Development

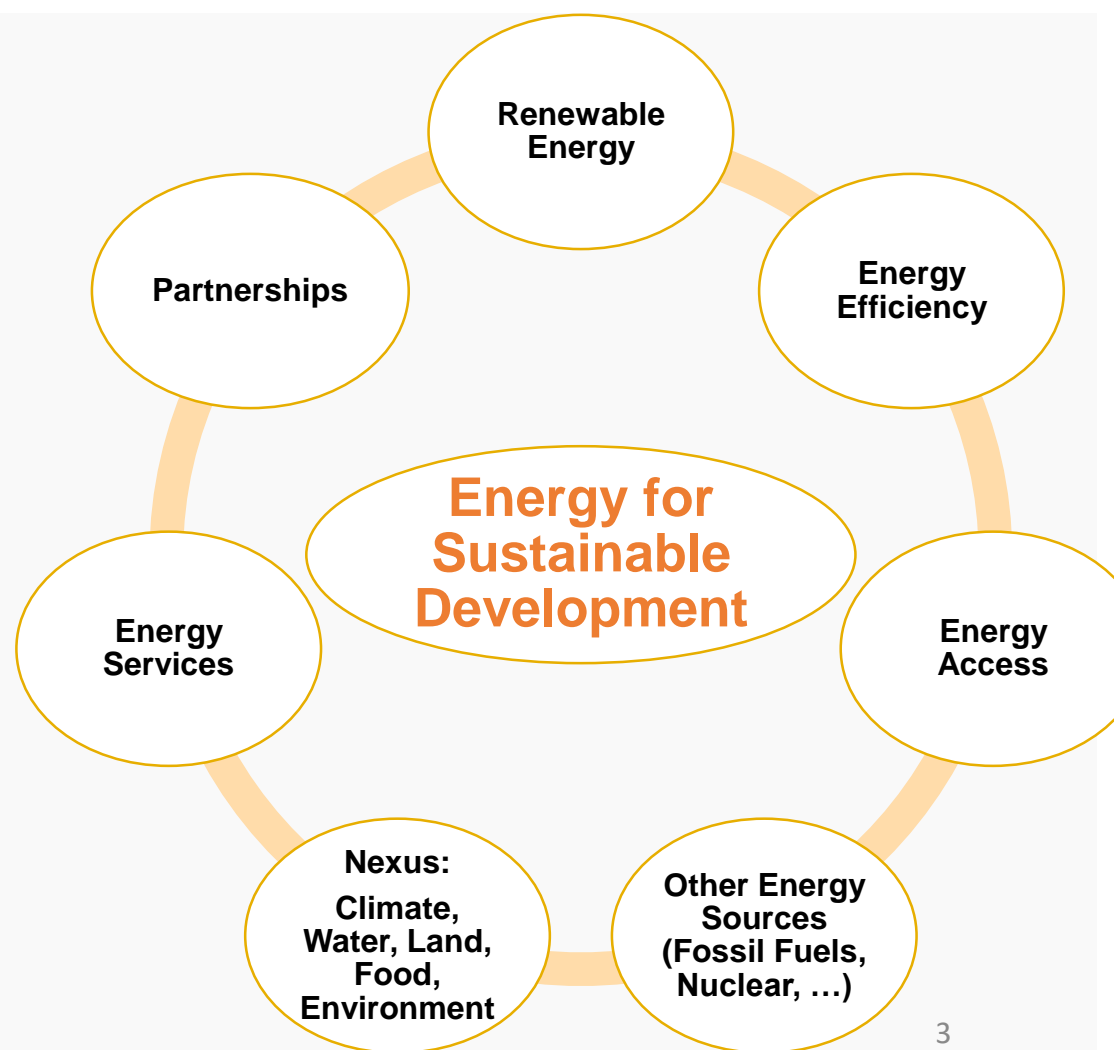


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## SDG7 Review at the High-Level Political Forum (HLPF)

Defining energy indicators **beyond SDG7** that allow a more holistic assessment of progress, while making the linkages to **other energy-related SDGs**.

For more details: See Annex 5 in the GTF report.



# Pathways to Sustainable Energy

## Project Implementation



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## Trends

May 2017 – Dec 2017

### Sustainable Energy Storylines

- Definition of trends & uncertainties
- Narrative Descriptions

### Research Questions

#### (Case Studies, Deep Dives)

- Definition of particular thematic or sub-regional aspects, policies
- Definition of research questions

### Technology Assessment

- Trends and cost evaluations for sustainable energy technology options

### Energy Policies Research

- Current policies
- Other policies (NDCs, energy related)

## Analysis

June 2017 – Oct 2018

### Modell preparation

- Definition of Input Assumptions (drivers) & Indicators (energy security, climate, quality of life, etc.)
- Adaptation of SSP datasets based on (new) data requirements
- Quantification of SE target
- Model development / finalisation

### Modelling / Assessment

- Energy scenarios: energy supply, demand, technology mix, costs, climate budget, etc.
- Modelling / testing of policy options
- Topical / Sub-regional deep dives

### Policy options

- 2-3 Policy energy expert workshops

## Results

Feb 2018 – Q2/3 2019

### Adaptive Policy Pathways

- Policy Briefs
- Policy dialogues

### Case Studies / Deep Dives Results

- 3-5 selected SE Scenarios

### Technology Pathways

Portfolio, Roadmap

### Early-Warning System

- Defining KPIs
- Concept development

### Engagement of Energy Expert Community

- Storylines
- Technology trends
- Policies

- Defining assumptions / indicators
- Developing policy options
- Policy energy expert workshops

- Outreach
- Policy dialogues

# DRAFT Research Questions

## Draft Deep Dives & Case Studies\* (Technology, Policy, Regional)



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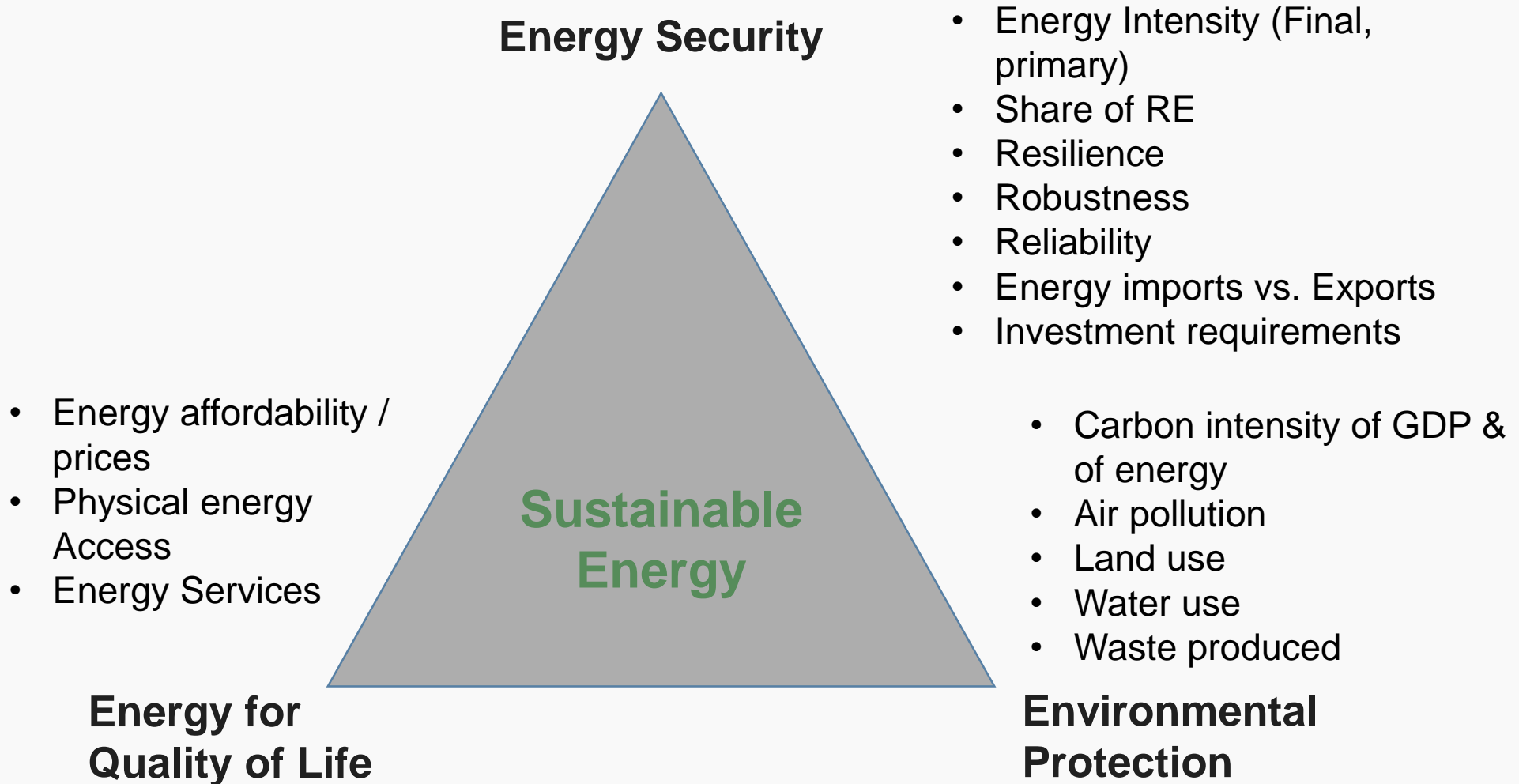
## Focal question: How can countries attain sustainable energy by 2050?

- I **What is the optimal energy-mix for different sub-regions within the UNECE region in order to help achieve the 2030 Agenda and create a sustainable energy system?**
  - Sub-regional energy trade / Regional cooperation
  - Geopolitical consequences by increased RE upscaling / SE transition (tbd)
    - Deep dive: Country leadership
- II **What can be drivers for the transition towards a sustainable energy system?**
  - **Policies** (energy efficiency as enabler, price on carbon/internalisation of externalities along the energy value chain)
  - Quantum leap of technologies: which technologies could be potential game changers?
    - Energy storage technologies, infrastructure needs, and society change
    - RE: Grid integration; Competitiveness of RE compared to FF; cost development (resources, technologies)
    - How can FF support the uptake of RE for the transitional period towards a sustainable energy system?: Synergies of RE and FF; Deep Dive: Synergies of RE & NG; the role of CCS; methane leakage
    - Others
  - Infrastructure
  - Finance / Investments
    - Investment requirements to attain certain level of RE, change of investment patterns for transition
- III **How to track progress towards achieving and for maintaining a sustainable energy system?**
  - Key performance indicators for continuous improvement & feedback-loop
  - „Early warning“ system

# Target Definition: Sustainable Energy

## Three pillars

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# Building the Scenarios

## Metrics (Outputs)

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#### Energy security

- Primary and final energy prices: *USD/GJ*
- Energy expenditures: *price \* consumption*
- Energy imports: *share of energy consumption*
- Energy exports: *share of GDP*
- ***Others?***

#### Quality of life

- Energy consumption per capita: *EJ per capita per year*
- Energy services per capita: *efficiency-adjusted energy consumption*
- GDP per capita: *USD/person*
- Food security:
  - Expenditures: *(consumption \* prices)/GDP*
  - Nutrition: *share of calories from staple foods*
  - Distributional effects: *share of population at risk of hunger*
- Reliance on solid cooking fuels\*: *share of population*
- Other potential measures (specific metrics TBD)\*: *distributional impacts, access*
- ***Others?***

# Building the Scenarios

## Metrics (Outputs)

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### Environmental Protection

- Renewable energy: *share of primary energy from renewable sources*
- LCA impacts\*
  - Land occupation of energy technologies, excluding bioenergy supply
  - Eutrophication
  - Mineral resource depletion
  - Release of ionizing radiation
  - Human toxicity
  - Ecotoxicity
- Land cover: *thousand hectares forest, other protected lands, ...*
- Irrigation: *share irrigated cropland*
- Water deficit\*: *demand/supply*
- Global average temperature change: *degrees C above preindustrial*
- GHG emissions/concentrations: *CO<sub>2</sub>, CH<sub>4</sub>, NMVOC, ...*
- Non-GHG pollutant emissions/concentrations: *SO<sub>2</sub>, NO<sub>x</sub>, PM2.5, NH<sub>3</sub>,*
- ***Others?***

# Scenario Methodology

## Integrated Assessment Model

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**Objective: To enable exploration of the two axes that form the basis for the UNECE storylines**

- Technological innovation in the energy sector
- Degree of international cooperation on the Sustainable Development Goals

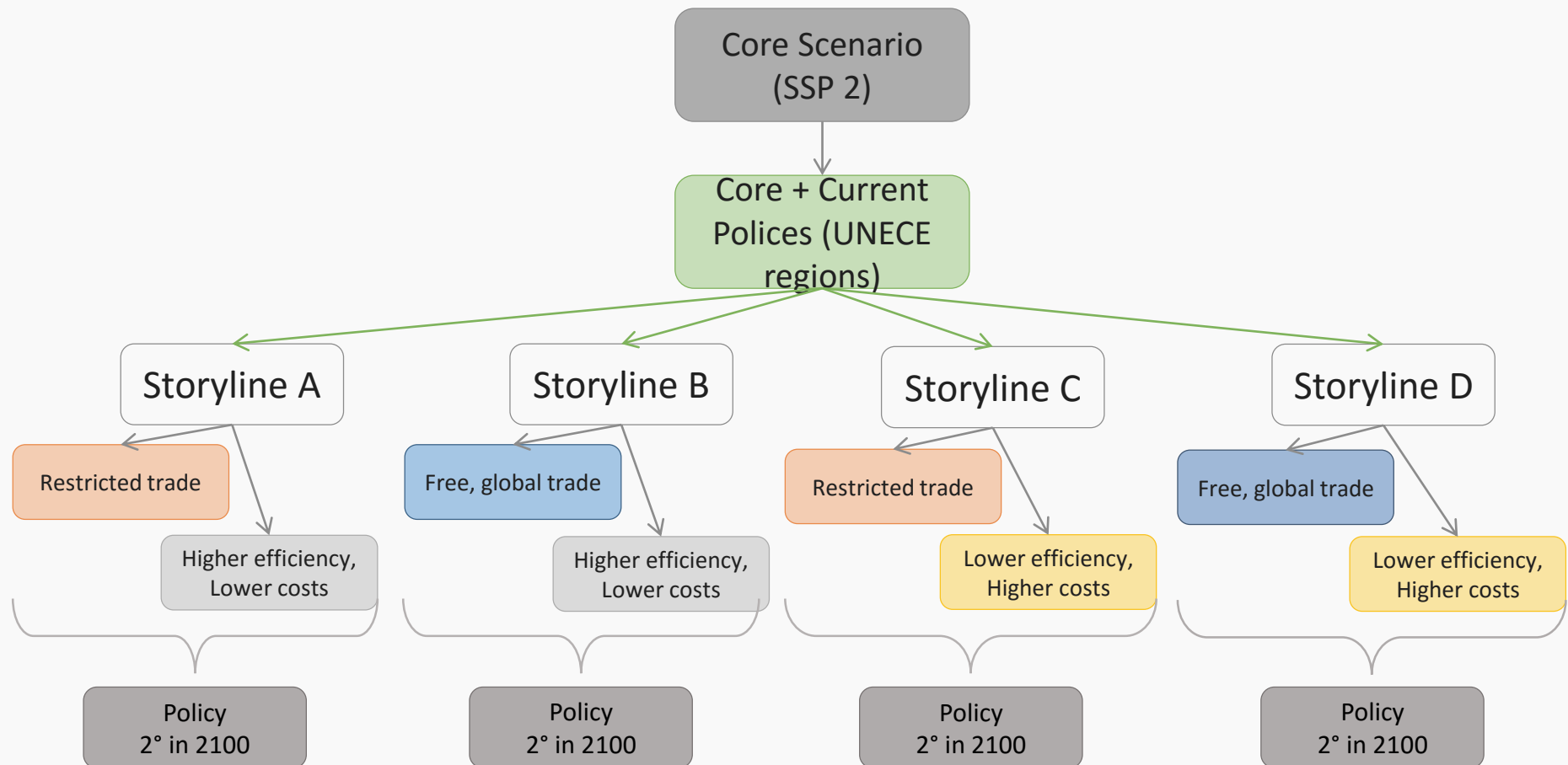
**Scenario design composed of three stages: Proposal**

- Base scenario, no policy new interventions
- Base scenario + National Determined Contributions (NDCs)
- Base + NDCs + (multiple) sensitivities around development of energy technologies and energy trade
- Base + NDCs + sensitivities + policy = 2°C in 2100

# Scenario Design

## Integrated Assessment Model

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# Thank you!

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