

A tentative REPowerEU scenario for Greece

Pantelis Capros Professor Emeritus, NTUA September, 13, 2022

For discussion only, does not reflect official positions

The REPowerEU approach

Revised targets as at least in Fit for 55

- Ambitious GHG, RES and energy efficiency targets for 2030 (above previous NECP)
- Climate neutrality targets for 2050 (overall in the EU)

Natural gas policies

- Curb natural gas expansion trend in the short-term
- Diversify supply, mainly via LNG and away from Russian gas
- Increase lignite in the short-term and phase-out after 2028
- Accelerate RES, mainly PV and storage
- Exploit biomethane potential
- Develop green hydrogen earlier than planned

Policies for the REPowerEU implementation

Strategy towards Net-Zero

Pillars of the strategy

 Energy efficiency Renewable Energy Sources

First priority, clean electrons

- Low-carbon electricity
- Heat and transport electrification

Also molecules, not only electrons

 Transport sectors (heavy goods vehicles, aviation, shipping)
 Specific uses of gas in industry Applications of distributed gas

Short-medium term

	Mitigate dependence on natural gas	
	Reduce demand for gasIncrease LNG supply	
\square	Enable large scale energy efficiency investment	
	Facilitating policiesSubsidies and standards	
	Accelerate renewables in power sector	
	 Grids Facilitate private investment financing Land use planning 	
	Kick-start emerging alternative fuels	
	 Biomass and biomethane program Mandatory blending in gas distribution and transpor Support first-of-kind investment and support market development 	t fueling

A tentative REPowerEU scenario for Greece 2020-2050

Assumptions Gas prices slowly de-escalate until 2025 and remain between 40 and 50 €/MWh after 2024

ETS prices stabilize at 60-80 €/tCO2 until 2030 but increase after 2030

Full interconnection of islands completed before 2030

Demand for electricity increases due to electrification and furthermore after 2030 driven by green hydrogen

RES development revised to reflect current trends, such as high growth paces of solar PV compared to onshore wind

Considerably increase battery and pumping storage

Price scenario



Overview of scenario performance



13/9/2022

Energy efficiency indicators



Primary and Final energy consumption



13/9/2022

Electricity sector outlook



Net Electricity generation by fuel type (in GWh)



13/9/2022

Nat. Gas consumption in Mcm

Revised_NECP Gas_NECP

Lignite consumption in Kt

Revised_NECP Gas_NECP



Fuel consumption

The Revised NECP scenario succeeds to limit total natural gas requirements below 3 bcm throughout the projection; an exception is year 2029 when gas needs are 3.5 bcm

In contrast, the Gas-based (old) NECP required above 4.5 bcm in the years from 2024 up to 2028

Lignite production remains roughly at 15Mt after 2023 and until 2028

CO2 emissions from power generation double in the Revised NECP compared to the older NECP, in the years 2024 until 2028.

Hydrogen, Power-to-X and electricity storage



13/9/2022

Targets for domestic production of green hydrogen and climate-neutral fuels

		2030	2040	2050
	Electrolysis (in MW)	752	8923	20611
Domestic production units	Synthetic fuels (ktoe per year)	138	1344	3472
	Electricity input, TWh	4.5	53.7	123.2
	RES investments for H2, in GW	3.0	28.0	56.5
Total domestic green hydrogen proc	300	3249	7464	
Total domestic production of synthe	66	982	2410	
Total domestic biomethane product	63	854	1184	

1 Ktoe is one thousand tons of oil equivalent, i.e. 41868 giant Joules, or 349.4 tons of H2 (low calorific value), 1 kg of H2 is 33.33 kWh

Summary of costs



13/9/2022