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Energy policy changes in Central Europe over the last 20 years in the light of current challenges

20 years of promoting clean fuels in passenger car transport in Europe - hardly a success story

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- Introduction
- Policy framework
- Alternative fuels and technologies
 - ✓ Biofuels
 - ✓ Zero-emission vehicles
- Conclusions



Transport sector



- oil products
- least-diversified



Note: ICE = internal combustion engine

• energy import dependency





GHG, EU-27 (2020)







GHG





Greenhouse Gas Emissions (GHG)* by Sector: EU-27



National and Sub-National Renewable Biofuel Mandates and Targets





Biofuel production by region

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Source: Statistical Review of World Energy - BP (2022) OurWorldInData.org/renewable-energy • CC BY Note: CIS (Commonwealth of Independent States) is an organization of ten post-Soviet republics in Eurasia following break-up of the Soviet Union.

Our World in Data



Biofuels



1st generation biofuels

Bioethanol is mostly produced from wheat, corn, sugar beet and sugar cane.





Biodiesel is produced from different kinds of vegetable oil (e.g. rape seed, sunflower, and soybean).







World land use





Source: (Slade et al., 2011; based on FAO database).



New challenges / risks



- + Reduction of GHG emissions
- + Energy security
- + Rural development



- Food and fuel competition
- Sustainability....risk of increase in GHG emissions LUC
- Risks of degradation of land, forests, water resources and ecosystems associated with use of freshwater, fertilizers and pesticides



EU policies and targets





- Cap of 7% on the contribution (to 2020 targets) of biofuels produced from 'food crops' to mitigate ILUC emissions
- No public support for food crop based biofuels post 2020



Global investment in biofuels

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- Optimistic estimates biofuels contribute ca. onethird of global fuel supply in 2050
 - 2nd generation and 3rd generation –commercially available by 2030
- Incentives for the development of 2 gen.
 biofuels...especially from wastes and residues
- Biofuel dependent on markets created by government policy
- Biofuels...in aviation, shipping and heavy goods vehicles



EU targets 2030, 2050



EU - the first climate-neutral continent by 2050

European Green Deal

Sustainable and Smart Mobility Strategy





Announced 100% ZEV sales targets and bans on ICE vehicle sales



	2025	2030	2035	2040	2045	2050
Costa Rica						•
Denmark		•				
France				•		
Iceland		•				
Ireland		•				
Israel*		•		•		
Netherlands		•			•	
Norway	•					
Portugal				•		
Slovenia		•				
Spain				•		•
Sri Lanka				•		
United Kingdom				•		
ICE sales ban or 100% ZEV sales target				Fleet wit	hout ICEs	





Advantages







The most commonly used monetary measures are subsidies and exemptions (or reductions) from:

road taxes
 annual circulation tax
 company car tax
 registration tax
 fuel consumption tax
 congestion charges





Non-monetary measures



free parking spaces,





- possibility for EVs drivers to use bus lanes,
- wide availability of charging stations,



permission for EVs to enter city centers and zero emission zones.





GDP and EV sales

ACEA

73% of all electric cars are sold in just 4 countries (with some of the highest GDPs)

Electric cars < 3% of total sales = average GDP < €17,000

Electric cars > 15% of total sales = average GDP > €46,000





GDP and charging infrastructure



70% of all charging points: Located in just 3 EU countries 29.7% **29.7%** Netherlands **20.4%** France 19.9% 19.9% Germany 20.4%

500 1k 5k 10k 35k 50k Number of charging points



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Artist: Marian Kamensky





Electricity production by source







CO₂ per kWh electricity generated in different European countries





Source: Our World in Data based on BP Statistical Review of World Energy & Ember

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Avaiable EV models by vehicle segments





Main battery cell manufactures















Car-oriented mobility













Car-oriented transport development



Towards Sustainable Mobility





...unnecessary travel and reduce trip distances

...towards more sustainable modes

...transport practices and technologies







- EVs ...part of the solution...cost reductions, improvement of battery characteristics, as well as development of infrastructure
- Most of the policies implemented will be abolished with the increasing number of EVs
- Future policy design should ensure high environmental benefits of EVs
- Sustainability





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