

Presentation of key findings  
from the NBI Just Transition  
Pathways project  
Mining and Petrochemicals &  
Chemicals sector analysis

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*Public presentation of  
key findings*

Mining and  
Petrochemicals &  
Chemicals

Welcome and Introduction	14:00 – 14:10
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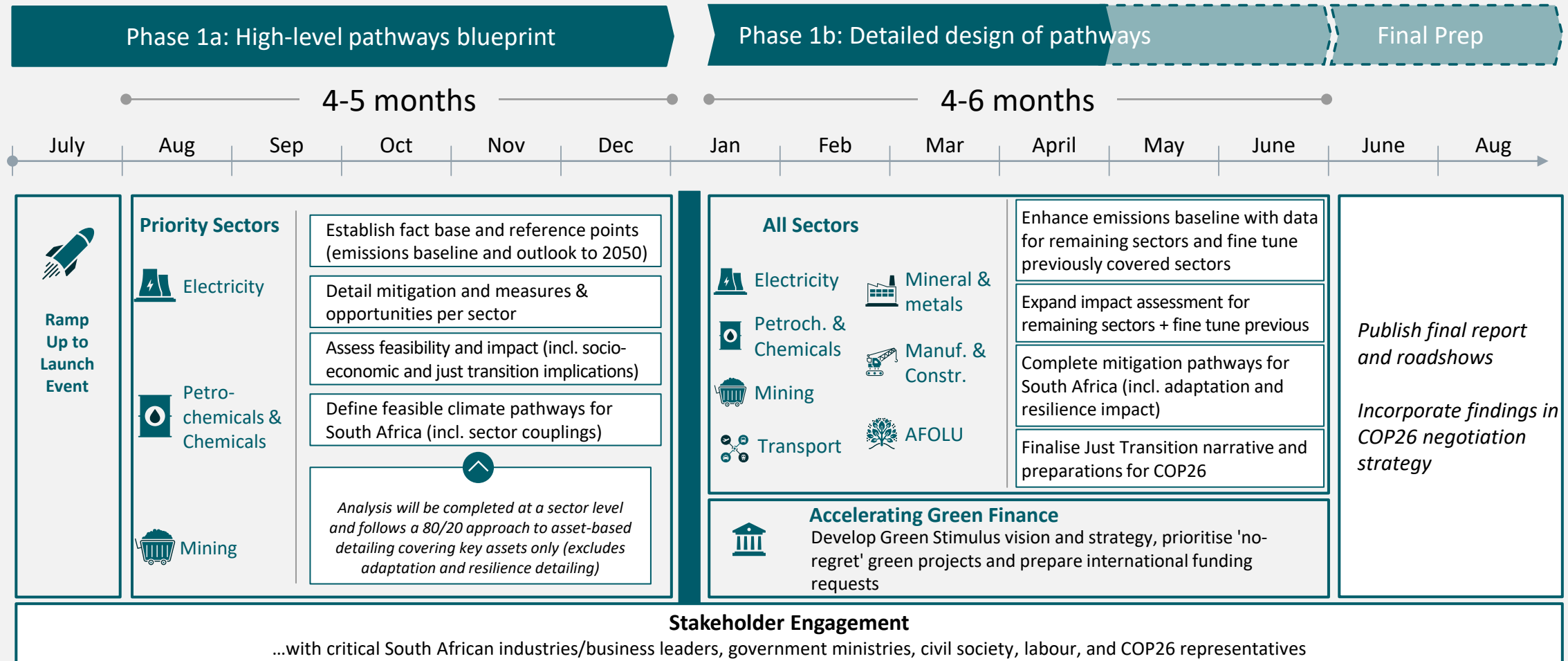


# *Welcome and introduction*

**Joanne Yawitch**

CEO National Business Initiative & member of the  
Presidential Climate Commission (PCC)

# With this study we aim to drive collaboration and create a unified voice of South African business at COP 26 and beyond



# What this study aims to achieve

## ✓ *The questions the study aims to answer*

- What is the cost of inaction for South Africa?  
*(i.e., of not responding to critical global economic drivers driven by global climate action)*
- What would it take for South Africa to get to net-zero emissions?  
*(Including practical solutions, barriers to overcome, investments and financing to enable the transition)*
- What would be the social and economic implications for South Africa to reach net-zero emissions by 2050?

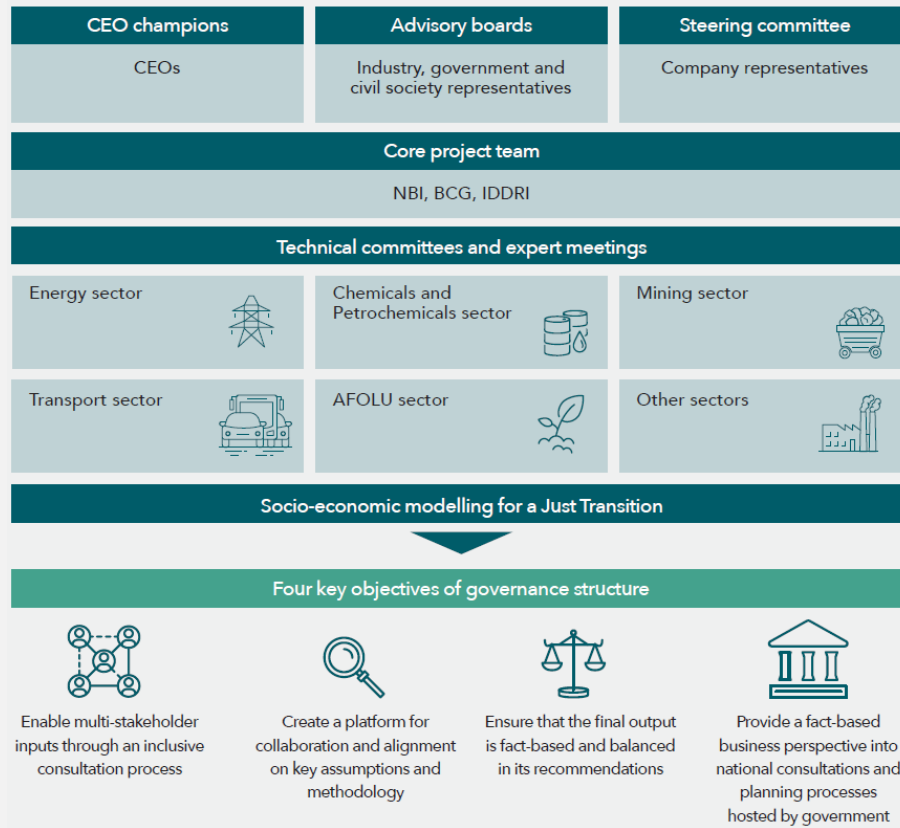
## ✗ *What the study is NOT aiming for*

- Not setting an ambition for **which level of** national emission reductions South Africa should reach **and when**
- Not prescribing **sector- or company-specific** emission reduction targets



We are creating an analytical fact-base to support decision making and support coordinated effort among national and international key stakeholders

# To ensure representative, balanced and fact-based content a comprehensive governance structure is in place



## 4 Key objectives of governance structure



Enable multi-stakeholder inputs through an inclusive consultation process



Create a platform for collaboration and alignment on key assumptions and methodology



Ensure that final output is fact-based and balanced in its recommendations



Provide a fact-based business perspective into national consultations and planning processes hosted by government



# OVERVIEW OF CEO CHAMPIONS

Onboarding of additional CEOs ongoing



Joenne Yawitch  
NBI CEO



Cas Coovadia  
BUSA CEO



Vivien McMenamin  
Mondi SA CEO



Teelo Moajepelo  
BP Southern Africa CEO



Roland van Wijnen  
PPC Africa CEO



Njombo Lekula  
PPC MD SA Cement and Materials



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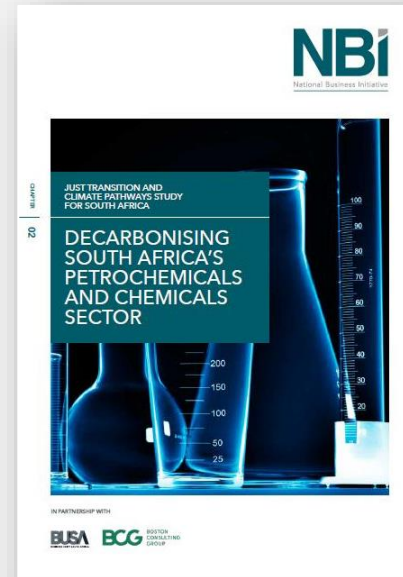
Ishmael Poolo  
Central Energy Fund CEO



This project finds support across business



We will present and discuss our key findings for the **Mining and Petrochemicals & Chemicals** sectors today



The Mining and Petrochemicals & Chemicals reports will be published on October 21



*A note from our  
partner BCG*

**Lucas Chaumontet**

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Boston Consulting Group

# Key findings



# Many countries have already set ambitious net-zero targets

Not exhaustive

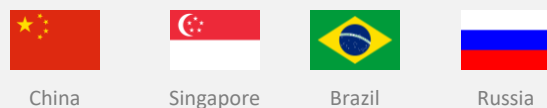
## Net-zero before 2050



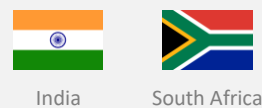
## Net-zero by 2050



## Net-zero post 2050



## No net-zero commitment



# SA committing to ambitious climate action as well

South Africa's Low-Emission Development Strategy 2050 (LEDS) states:

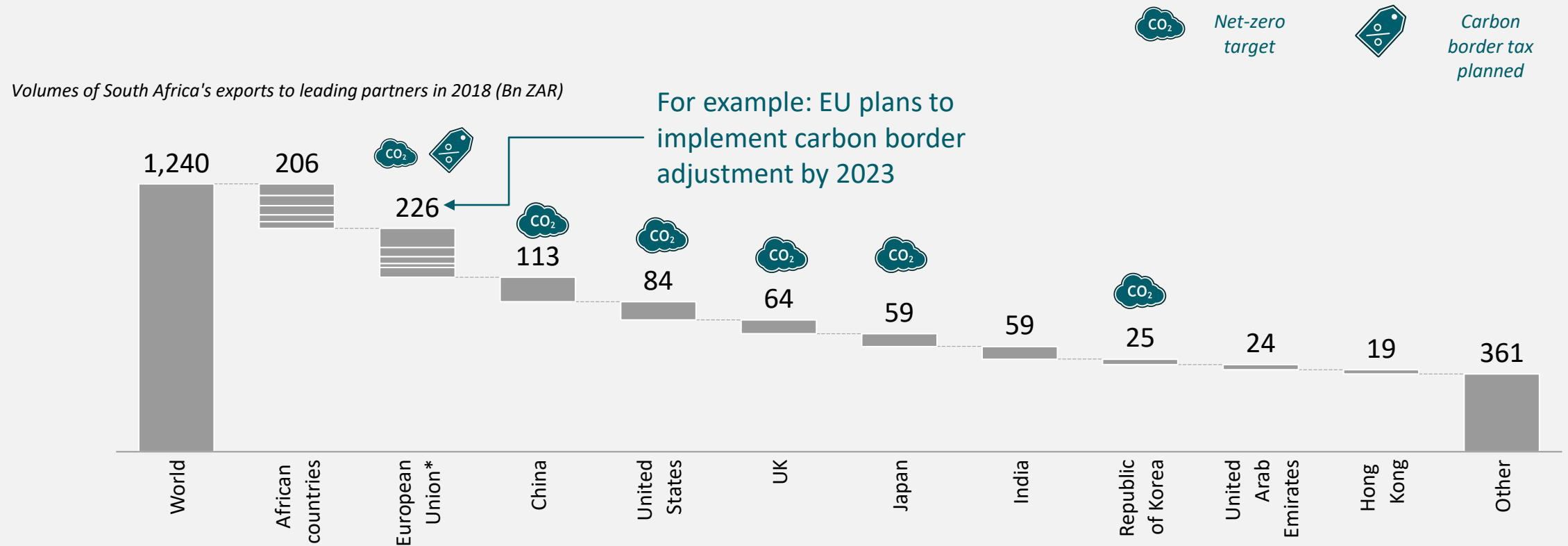
“We thus commit to ultimately moving towards a goal of net-zero carbon emissions by 2050, which will require various interventions to reduce greenhouse gas emissions”

### Business Live interview 02-Oct-20

In a discussion on LEDS, DEFF Minister Creecy made several references to South Africa needing to be net carbon neutral by 2050

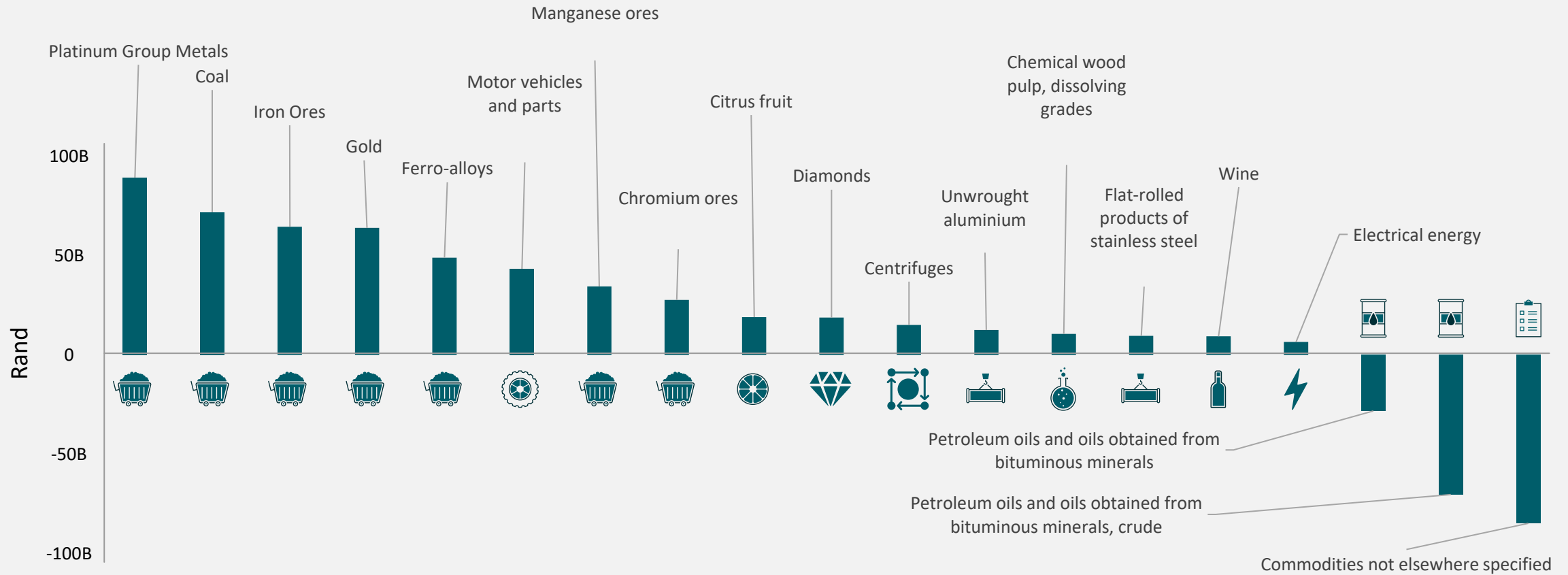
# Key export markets like the EU already considering carbon border taxes – others may follow

Top export partners outside Africa have recently announced commitments to net-zero, putting SA exports at risk if carbon border taxes to be implements as planned in the EU – although Border Tax adjustments are currently not within WTO rules

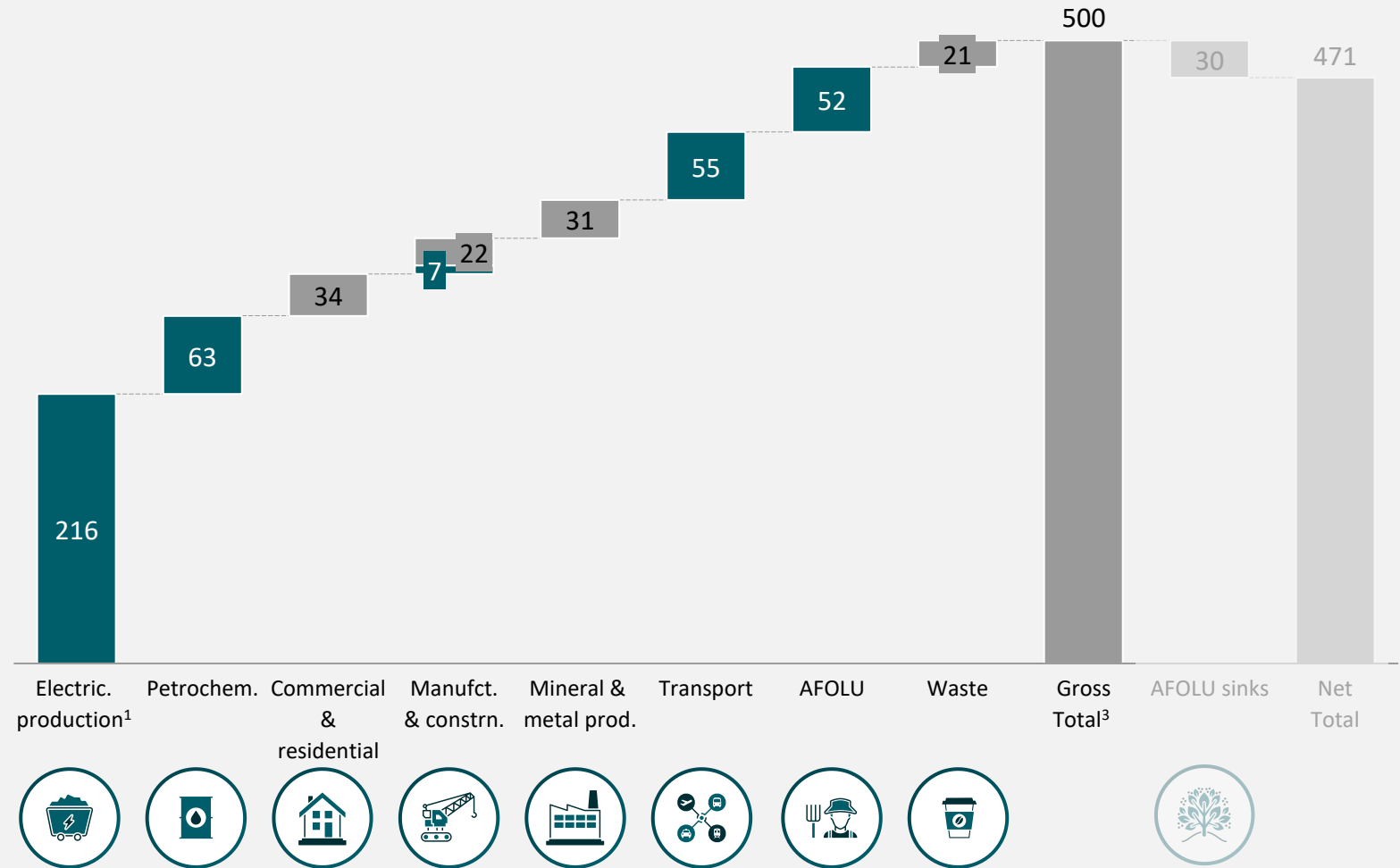


\* Top 4 trade partners within EU are Germany, Netherlands & Belgium, and among those with most aggressive targets. Note: Exchange rate based in 2018 average = R 13:24/US\$ | Source: World Integrated Trade Solution 2018; Press research

# South Africa's trade vulnerability is particularly acute, commodity trade balance open to transition risk



Emissions updated in line with latest (2021) iteration of DFFE<sup>4</sup> 2017 GHG baseline



Sectors addressed so far account for ~80% of national emissions and are key to ensuring a Just Transition

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South Africa is at significant risk from climate change, creating a need not just to decarbonise, but more importantly to adapt and ensure a just transition

## Financing as critical enabler

### Just Transition

*A Just Transition needed across all sectors in South Africa*

### Mitigation

*South Africa's economy needs to be decarbonised*

### Adaptation

*South Africa needs to adapt to the impacts of climate change*



# Decisions taken now are critical

For example, South Africa must:

- Avoid infrastructure lock-in that will hinder long term competitiveness
- Recognise global shift in commodity value pools, plays to its strengths and invest in skills and technologies of the future, and drive international exchange of expertise and technology
- Pursue 'Green' sources of funds and preferential trade agreements to finance a Just Transition



Decarbonising South  
Africa's petrochemicals and  
chemicals sector - towards  
the production of green  
fuels and chemicals for  
South Africa and the world





# 10 Key findings of the petrochemicals & chemicals analysis – I/II

1

If SA can unlock disruptive technology, in particular green H2 and sustainable sources of carbon, **it can fully decarbonise its petrochemicals and chemicals sector**, which today drives 13% of the country's emissions, and **become a leading producer of green fuels and chemicals for local demand and export.**

2

**SA's petrochemicals and chemicals sector will face different challenges across timelines:** In the 2030s, SA could be facing weakened energy security, given a potential decline in domestic refinery capacity. In the long-term, the sector will need to adapt to a changing demand landscape: Depending on the transport sector decarbonisation scenario, conventional liquid fuels demand could decrease by 50-100%, while conventional chemicals would eventually be substituted by decarbonised alternatives – also as a result of carbon border adjustment mechanisms - globally and in SA.

3

**While in the mid-term energy security needs to be maintained and the socio-economic risks associated with declining domestic refinery capacity and a potentially resulting negative balance of payment change managed, the changing demand landscape creates an opportunity for SA in the long-term:** SA could become a leading producer of green synthetic fuels and green chemicals, particularly e-ammonia and SAF, for local demand and export, enabled by decarbonisation and conversion of SA's synfuels sector.

4

**SA's opportunity in the production of green fuels and chemicals is based on the competitive advantage in the production of green H2 and synthetic fuels:** First, SA has some of the best solar and wind resources on the planet; second, it has sufficient land and access to seawater for desalination which can also serve a dual purpose of improving water security; and third, it has unique Fischer-Tropsch technology for beneficiation of H2 into hydrocarbons such as e-methanol and SAF.

5

**Decarbonising SA's synfuels production supports the transition to the production of green fuels and chemicals, and also be critical to reduce SA's overall emissions footprint and the carbon intensity** of locally produced chemicals - given that today's coal-based synfuels sector drives ~90% of the sector's emissions and constitutes a key feedstock supplier of local chemicals production.



# 10 Key findings of the petrochemicals & chemicals analysis – II/II

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**The ability to decarbonise the sector will depend on access to key technologies and feedstocks:** full decarbonisation of the existing synfuels production requires access to green H<sub>2</sub> at scale below a price of US\$2/kg and sustainable carbon feedstocks, supplied via for example biomass and – potentially in the long-term – DACC. For gas to support the decarbonisation as a transition feedstock, gas prices would need to be secured at an economically viable level.

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**Depending on the timing of availability and affordability of disruptive technology and lower emissions feedstock such as CCUS, DACC, green H<sub>2</sub>, biomass and gas, different pathways towards net-zero synfuels production exist;** whereby cumulative emissions range between 0.6-1.2 GtCO<sub>2</sub>e but socio-economic trade-offs differ significantly across pathways with regards to for example timing and scale of investment requirements, impact on production cost, job impact across the sector's and adjacent value chains and the speed at which green production can be achieved.

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**Two percent of the sector's direct emissions are linked to the downstream chemicals production;** removing those emissions will require process, energy and material efficiency improvements, fuel switching, access to sustainable feedstock and negative emission technology, such as CCUS.

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**While the decarbonisation of the sector enables local industrialisation and realisation of new export opportunities** which help improve SA's balance of payment, it will be critical to manage socio-economic risks in the mid-term, in particular displacement of workers in the coal, refinery and adjacent value chains which together make up ~140 000 direct jobs today and the risk of increasing reliance on liquid fuels imports, which would decrease energy security and negatively impact SA's balance of payment, in the 2030s - accelerating decarbonisation across sectors will be key to mitigate those risks.

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**It will be critical to establish cross-sectoral and international partnerships and pilot projects to drive research and development, off-take agreements to secure cheap financing at an early stage and a conducive local policy environment** to unlock the key technologies and feedstock needed to drive decarbonisation and the establishment of green fuels and chemicals production in SA – if this cannot be achieved, the sector is at risk of losing its competitiveness and eventually demise.



# Petrochemicals & Chemicals sector significant contributor to GDP and jobs in South Africa



## Product categories included in sector definition

- Liquid fuels (including synthetic fuels), basic chemicals, rubber products, plastic products, other chemical products, man-made fibres



## The sector's contribution to South Africa's GDP in 2019

- Sector contributed R232Bn (6,22%) to GDP
- The top three companies by 2019 revenue are:

Company	Revenue	GDP contribution	GDP contribution (%)
Sasol	R204Bn	R10,9Bn	4,70%
AECI	R24Bn	R0,348Bn	0,150%
Omnia	R19Bn	R0,254Bn	0,110%



## Jobs related to Petrochemicals & Chemicals sector in 2017

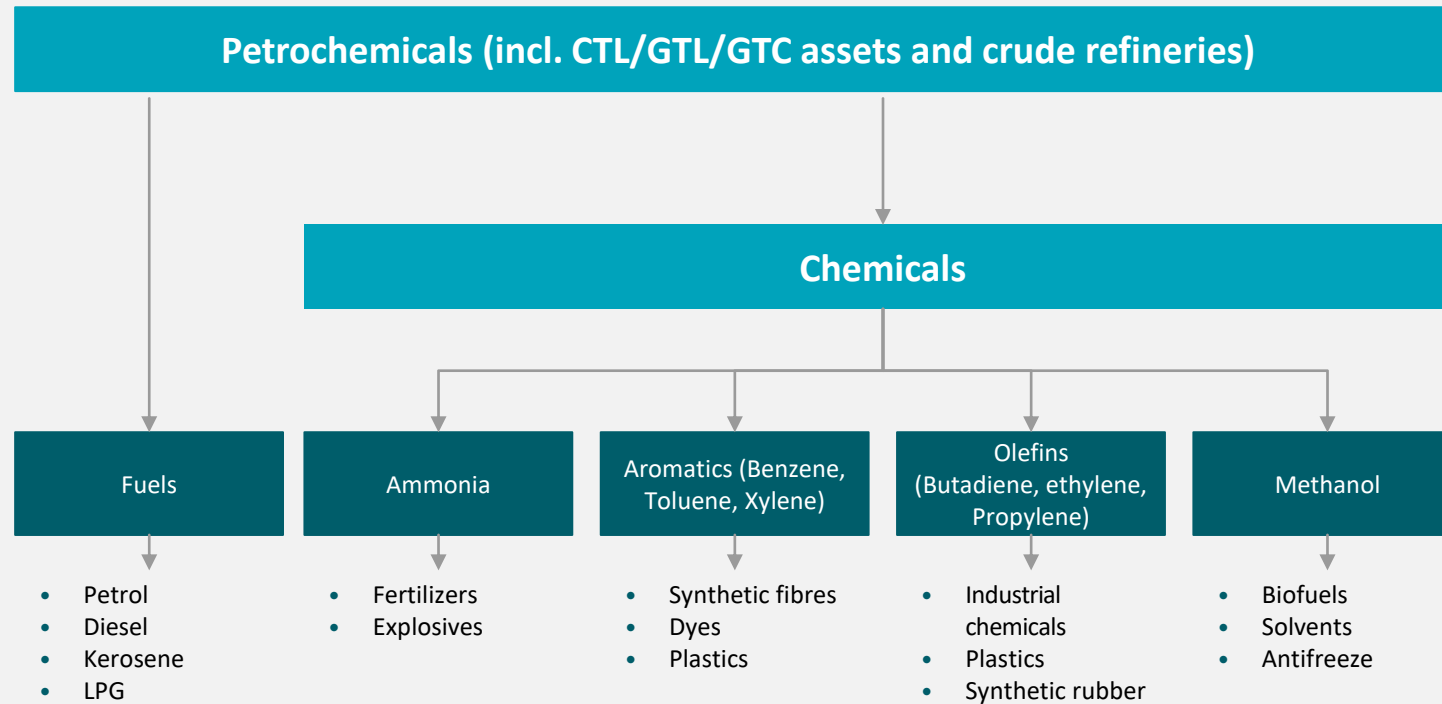
- 169K direct jobs and 693K indirect jobs
- Direct job contribution of top three companies

Company	Direct jobs	Direct job contribution (%)
Sasol	28000	17%
AECI	8000	5%
Omnia	3489	2%

Note: Top three companies based on revenues of companies listed on JSE  
Source: Oxford Economics, African Markets, S&P Capital IQ, Sasol, AECI, Omnia, BCG Analysis



# Upstream petrochemicals sector supplies key feedstock for downstream chemicals production



**Synfuels sector produces key feedstock for downstream chemicals production including**

- **Polymers<sup>1</sup>** for plastics production
- **Ammonia**, used in fertilizer and explosives industries
- **Methanol**, for fuel production
- **Aromatics**, for benzene<sup>2</sup> and nylon production

**However, feedstock highly carbon intense today**

1. Polypropylene/propylene 2. Plastics, resins, synthetic fibres, rubber lubricants, dyes, detergents, drugs, and pesticides  
Source: TIPS (2019), NBI-BCG Project Team



Petrochemicals and Chemicals make up ~13% of SA's gross emissions – of which ~90% driven by synfuels production

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## Key questions to address to understand the future of petrochemicals and chemicals in South Africa

- 1 How will the petrochemicals and chemicals demand landscape change globally and locally?
- 2 How can the sector respond to a changing demand landscape and where can South Africa build on existing competitive advantages?
- 3 What decarbonisation pathways exist for the South African petrochemicals and chemicals sector?
- 4 What are the socio-economic risks and opportunities that arise with the decarbonisation of the petrochemicals and chemicals sector?
- 5 What are key enablers for the decarbonisation of South Africa's petrochemicals and chemicals sector and the development of local green fuels and chemicals production?





# Demand for lower-carbon fuels to grow in the mid-term, while "climate compatible" fuels to dominate in the long-term

Directional 2050 net-zero view



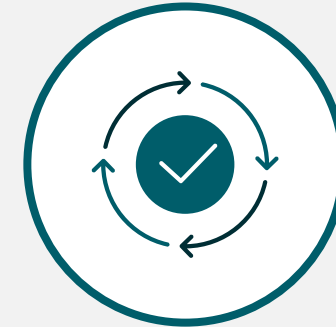
## Conventional fuel

*Gradual reduction in the mid- to long-term, in a net-zero world demand for conventional fuels negligible*



## Lower-carbon fuel

*Increased demand in the mid-term but decreases in the long-term (e.g. biofuels in transport vehicles, aviation)*



## Net-zero fuel

*Significant uptake in the long-term across industries, particularly in hard-to-abate sectors (e.g. steel making, aviation)*





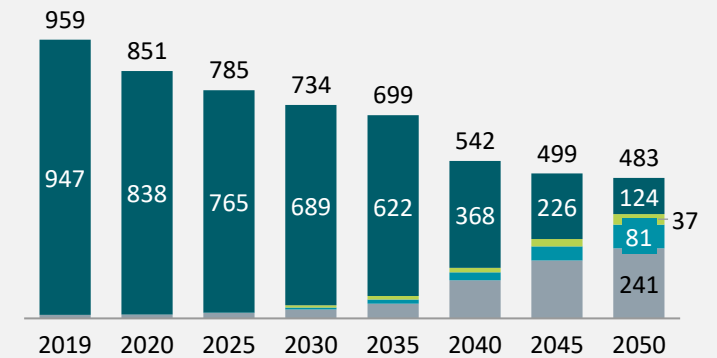
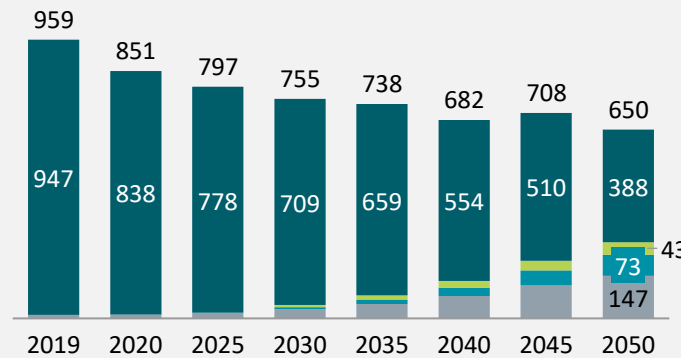
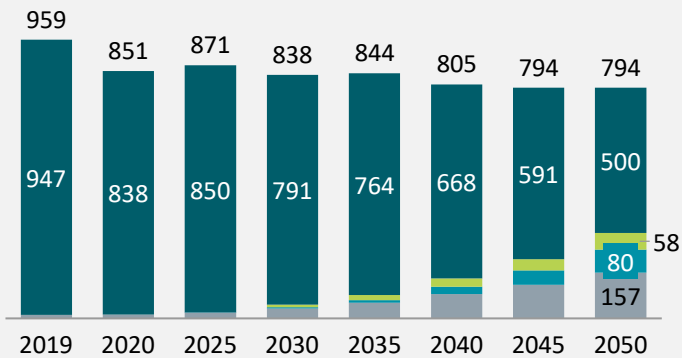
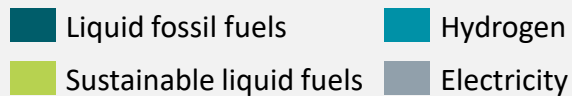
# Example Transport: Liquid fuels demand will decrease significantly in South Africa as a result of decarbonisation

## Base case (Reference Tech Scenario)

## Base case (Sustainable Dev. Scenario)

## Base case (Global net-zero scenario)

### Energy demand in PJ



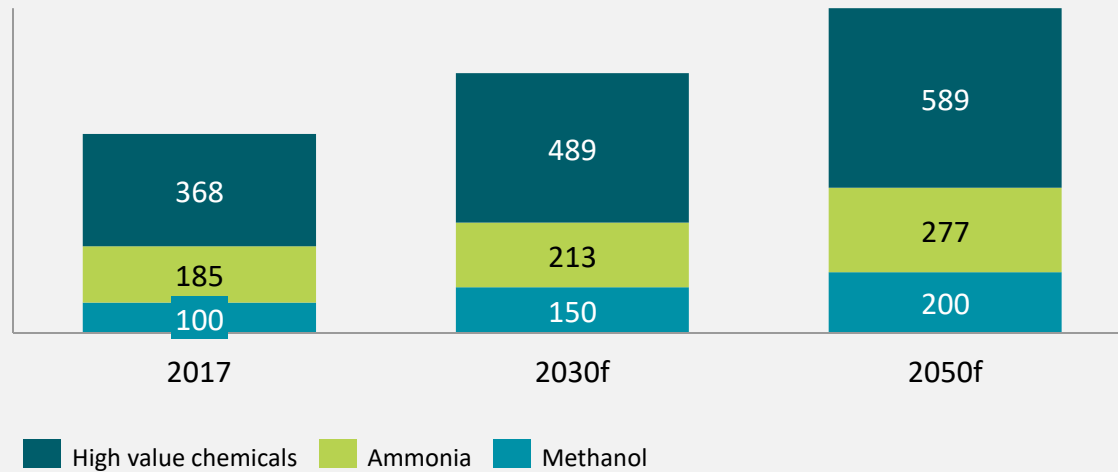
Note that this analysis includes energy demand from domestic aviation, rail, and road transport



# However, chemicals still growing in demand: Primary chemicals demand forecasted to grow by ~60% in 2050...

With highest areas of growth in key chemical feedstocks: methanol, high value chemicals<sup>1</sup> and ammonia

Global chemicals production forecasted to 2050 (Mt per year)



# ...but pressure to reduce product life-cycle carbon-intensity increasing

Investor pressure and shifts in value pools are already being reflected in petrochemicals companies' valuations

Markets considering stricter requirements around carbon intensity of products e.g.,

- The EU accounted for ~20% of SA's chemicals export market. This will decrease the competitiveness of SA's carbon-intense chemical products
- EU carbon border tax to be implemented by 2023 to prevent carbon leakage



# Global green H2 demand could reach ~160-300mt by 2050

Tradeable H2-relevant products – for power, heat, non-energy and transport applications – require up to ~300mt green H2 globally in a potential "Paris" compatible 2°C uptake scenario; 'stated policies' and 'selected application H2 acceleration' scenarios yield ~100mt and ~230mt **global H2 demand** in 2050 respectively

Today, **EU (Germany, Netherlands) and Japan** emerging as 1<sup>st</sup> import markets, with **concrete figures / targets around 2050 H2 product import demand (~25-30mt)**

If **SA** were to capture only **10% of EU and Japan's 2050 H2 import demand**, SA's total demand could reach ~6-7 mt by 2050

~100-300mt

global H2 demand 2050<sup>1</sup>

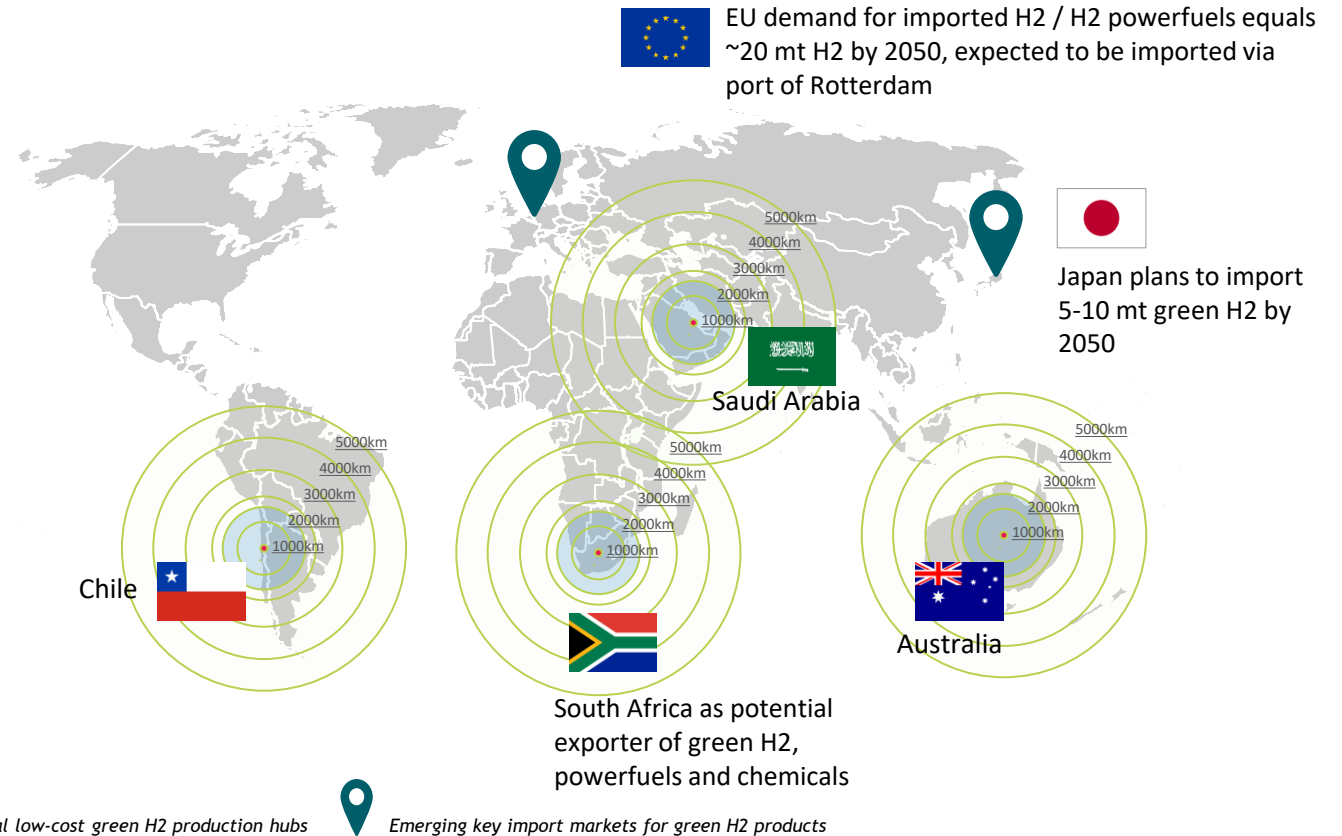
~30mt

H2 demand 2050 in key markets in EU & Asia

~3mt

add. H2 demand in SA to meet 10% of key market demand<sup>2</sup>

## View of emerging green H2 product import and export markets



1. 300 mt demand figure linked to Paris Agreement compatible decarbonisation scenario ("BCG 2°C Scenario") of BCG Global H<sub>2</sub> Demand Model May 2021. Assumes 34% penetration for ocean shipping, 33% penetration for aviation, 20% penetration for heavy road vehicles, 52% penetration for ammonia, 46% penetration for methanol, 61% penetration for refineries, 4% penetration for industrial power and 8% penetration for industrial heat; differences in demand between demand scenarios due to different assumed penetration rates | Source: BCG analysis, BCG Global H<sub>2</sub> Demand Model - v.Beta: May2021, [AURORA Energy \(2021\)](#), [CSIR \(2021\)](#), [Enertrag](#)



# South Africa is well positioned to play in the green H2 value chain with 3 structural competitive advantages



## SA with large scale, high quality RE potential

Power sector decarbonisation requires ~84 GW solar PV and ~64 GW wind installed by 2050

REDZ alone can hold **~922 GW<sup>1</sup> RE** capacity (assuming 60% solar PV, 40% wind split) at an average load factor of **23-26% for solar PV and 36-44% for wind**

**Average load factors** in SA amongst the **best in the world** and on par with major competitors like Chile, Saudi and Australia



## Sufficient land and synergies in solving for water security

Just **1% of SA land area** (1.1MHa) would be sufficient to produce **~1330PJ (10Mt) green H2**

SA with vast land available, with **~ 5.35 Mha in REDZ** alone (areas not in competition with agriculture or settlements and with RE potential)

**Water requirement** for 1330PJ/a green H2 production only **31% of current power sector use** in coal-based generation, and could be produced via desalination (~\$0.005-\$0.01/kg green H2) at the coast



## Unique FT expertise for beneficiation into e-Fuels

**Proprietary Fischer-Tropsch (FT) technology** – lacking in other countries (critical for PtL)

**Existing assets and knowledge** allow for local beneficiation of green H2 and enhance potential for large scale local demand

**Opportunity to capture portion** of global export market for e.g., green ammonia, methanol, jetfuel

Note: REDZ = Renewable Energy Development Zones - areas in SA selected for large scale renewable energy development and identified as having a combination of available land, sufficient RE resources, and potential to have meaningful socio-economic impact on surrounding communities (new REDZs currently under consideration) 1. Assuming 3 ha/MW solar PV, 10 ha/MW wind | Source: CSIR/Fraunhofer; BCG analysis

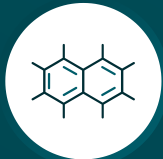


# SA has the opportunity to become a green fuels and chemicals producer



## Specialist producer for future demand by 2050

For local consumption and as feedstock



Green H2

Requires RE power and H2O as feedstock

For local consumption and export



Green aviation fuel

Requires green H2 and biomass as feedstock



Green chemicals

Requires green H2 and biomass, potentially also fossil carbon source



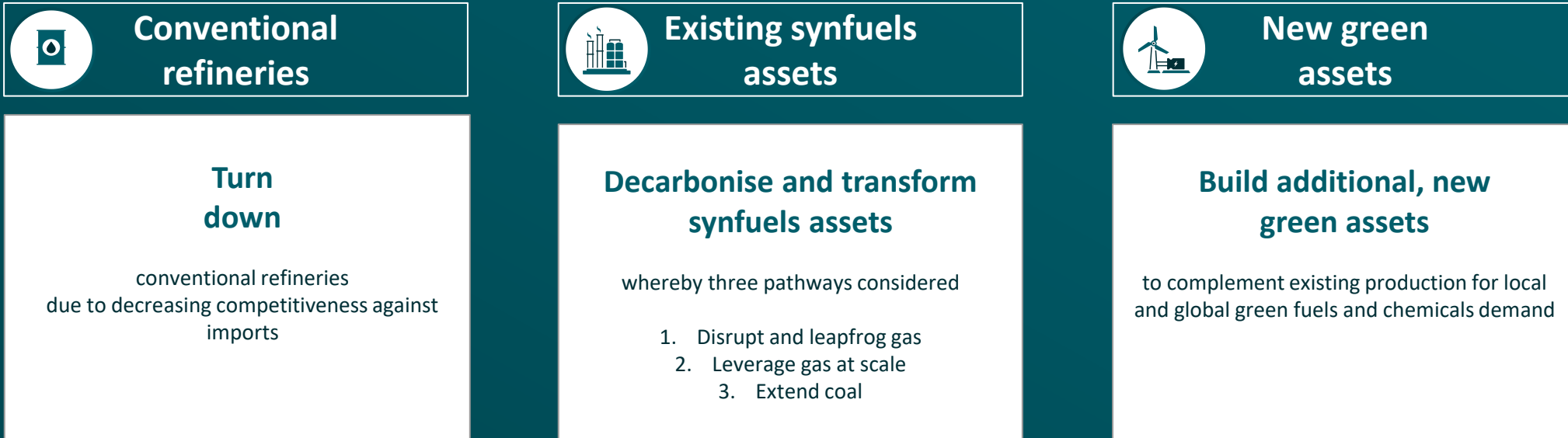
Green ammonia

Requires H2 and N2 feedstock

Different technical pathways exist towards green fuels and chemicals production in SA, and they are dependent on the availability of **currently disruptive technology (green H2, access to sustainable sources of carbon) and the potential role of gas as a transition fuel**



# Conventional refinery capacity expected to shut down in the mid-term, green production could be established via converted synfuels assets and new assets

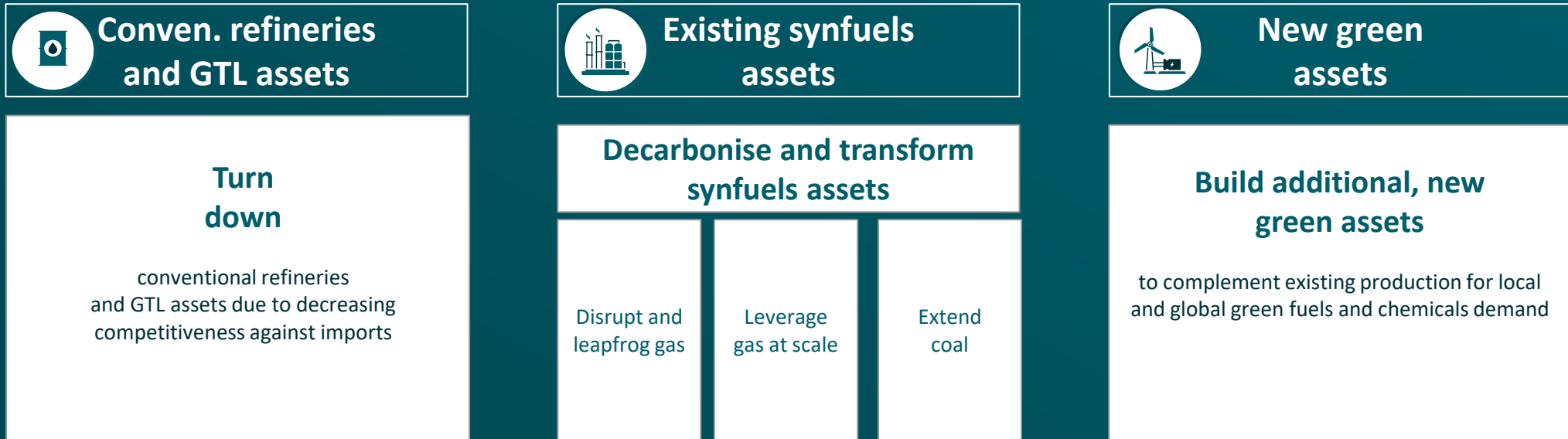


**Specialist producer for green fuels and chemicals by 2050**



# Pathways differ in cumulative emissions, production cost increase and socio-economic impact

## Today's production landscape



Cum. emissions (GtCO <sub>2</sub> e)	~0.2-0.4	~0.6-1.0	~1.0-1.2	~1.2-1.3	Net-zero
Add. Cost (R/l)		~7	~5	~2*	

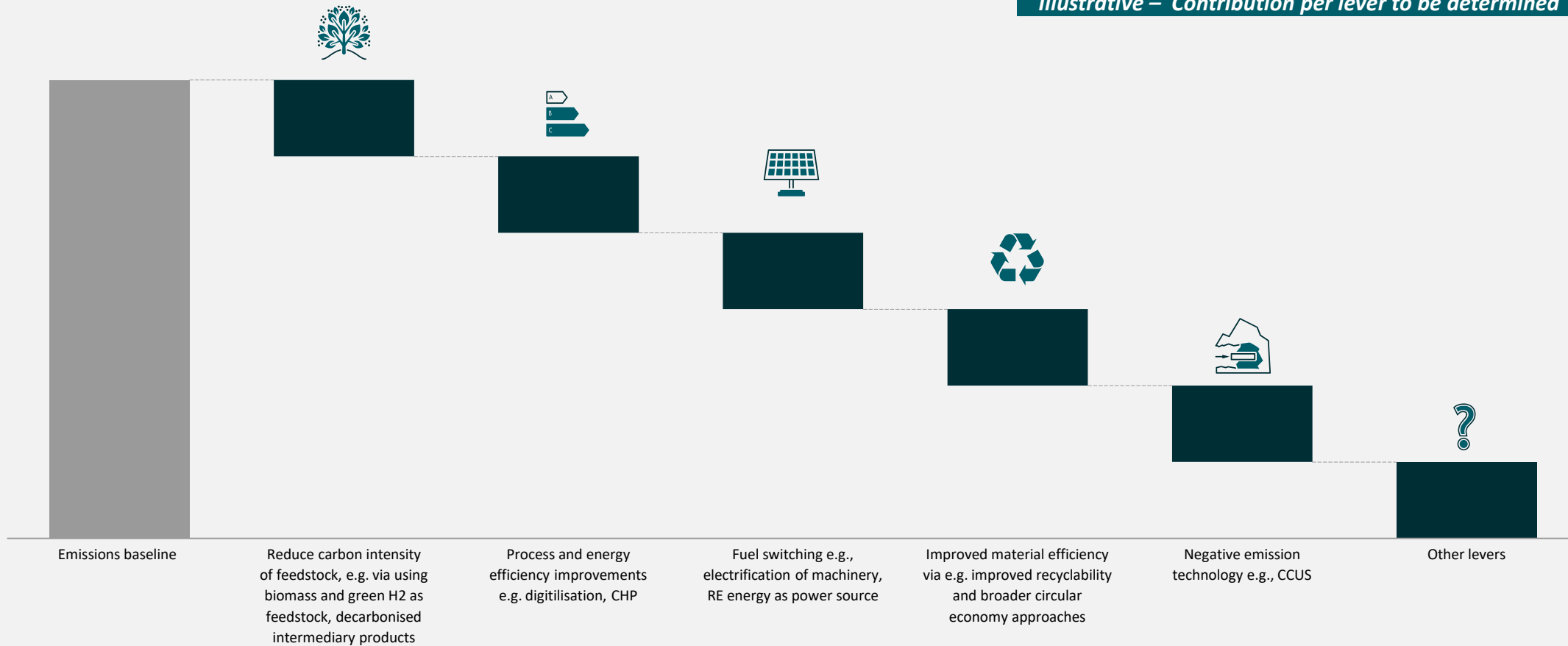
\* Assuming 127 ZAR/t CO<sub>2</sub> carbon tax, no carbon budgets / penalties for exceeding carbon budget





# Various measures required to decarbonise SA's downstream chemicals, which drives 2% of sector emissions

*Illustrative – Contribution per lever to be determined*





# Four key signposts for the Petrochemicals sector

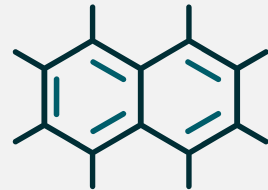
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## Sustainable Sources of Carbon

Availability of sustainable sources of carbon at an affordable price (delivered to production facility) will be critical to build a national competitive advantage

2



## Delivered Price of Green H2

The evolution of levelized cost of Green H2 will drive the affordability and competitiveness of lower carbon fuels & chemicals (eFuels, Green Ammonia etc.)

3



## Policy and Incentives

E.g. Blending mandates (particularly in the EU), Carbon Tax and other regulatory levers will determine affordability and drive demand

4



## Availability of affordable Gas

Availability of gas at scale and at an affordable price (including the risk-adjusted cost of midstream infrastructure)



# Key no-regret action that needs to be pursued now by private and public sector to enable the sector's transition

Coal mining		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Facilitate coal decommissioning</b> and manage socio-economic impact</li> </ul>
Convent. Refineries & GTL assets		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Assess feasibility of GTL asset conversion</b> to a green synfuels production asset</li> <li>• <b>Assess socio-economic and energy security impact of refinery shutdowns identify counter measures</b> that could mitigate the socio-economic risk</li> </ul>
New green assets		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Develop a green fuels and chemicals industrialisation plan;</b> and assess the need for the construction of new green fuels and chemicals assets</li> </ul>
RE & Green H2		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Develop a conducive policy framework</b> that enables large scale renewables and energy storage deployment</li> <li>• <b>Develop national green H2 vision and commercialisation strategy;</b> launch pilot projects</li> <li>• <b>Launch public-private green H2 consortium, secure off-take agreements</b> with key trade partners (e.g., for the supply of SAF and shipping fuels)</li> </ul>
CCS		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Drive research regarding the existence</b> of suitable carbon storage sites (e.g., feasibility of storage in the Durban basin)</li> <li>• <b>Establish a cross-sectoral, public-private CCS consortium,</b> which determines the requirements for the development of potential CCS clusters</li> </ul>
Sustainable sources of carbon		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Develop a national biomass strategy</b> which focuses on the availability, accessibility and affordability of biomass</li> <li>• <b>Drive further research and development around the deployment of DACC</b> technology in South Africa</li> <li>• <b>Assess the role of CCU as an interim, alternative source of carbon</b> (e.g., captured from other industrial processes such as steel making)</li> </ul>
Gas		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Establish an inter-disciplinary task team to fast-track the gas masterplan</b></li> <li>• <b>Finalise local content requirements for upstream participation</b> as part of the Upstream Petroleum Resources Development Bill</li> </ul>

# Q&A

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Decarbonising South  
Africa's mining sector –  
towards unlocking the  
mining of a net-zero future  
in South Africa





# SA's mining sector is a key socio-economic contributor – with coal and PGM accounting for the largest share of revenues and jobs



SA mining is a significant contributor to the economy, representing more than **4% of direct jobs** and more than **8% of direct GDP (2019)**



**Coal and PGM mining** are the largest mining sectors in SA, accounting for **50% of total sales** in mining in 2019



In 2019, the mining sector **provided ~460K direct jobs** of which PGMs, coal and gold accounted for ~168K, 94K and 93K respectively

## Despite the recent uptake in commodity markets, mining has historically been in structural decline...

Between 2010 and 2017/18: -  
**10%** in real production output, **-50k** in total direct employment, **-43%** decline in CAPEX

## ...with climate change worsening the situation

Global climate action will require SA mining to respond to 3 key challenges, **whilst ensuring a Just Transition**



## Shifting value pools in commodity markets

Global climate action will have severe business impact for mining players—affecting global demand for several major commodities



## Pressure to decarbonise

New disclosure standards, activist investors, regulators, and the public put pressure on companies to curb their own carbon footprint and develop resilience strategies



## Need to adapt to climate change

SA to be impacted by local climate change (incl. more extreme weather events) – which mining operations need to adapt to



# Key questions addressed in Mining sector analysis

- 1 How will global and local decarbonisation trends affect South Africa's mining sector?
- 2 How can the mining sector respond to challenges that arise with global and local climate action and the local impacts of climate change?
- 3 How can a Just Transition in South Africa's mining sector be ensured?
- 4 What are pathways towards a 2050 South African net-zero economy for South Africa's mining sector?
- 5 What enablers need to be put in place to support the pursuit of a net-zero pathway for mining in South Africa?







# The future of South Africa's Mining sector

1

If the South African mining sector drives **decarbonisation along the value chain and adapts to the global shift in mining commodity value pools**, it can remain internationally competitive and promote socio-economic development in South Africa via enabling green opportunities across sectors

2

In the context of climate change, the South African mining sector faces four key challenges: **value pools are shifting** away from South Africa's key mining commodities towards green tech. commodities; the **pressure to decarbonise** from stakeholders is mounting; there is a growing need to **adapt mining operations**; and **ensuring a Just Transition** will be critical

3

South Africa's key mining commodities will be impacted by climate action – **thermal coal will be phased out** and overall PGMs demand could decrease towards 2050. South Africa should strive to meet Department of Mineral Resources and Energy (DMRE) targets of 4–5% of global exploration expenditure (**~ZAR8 billion per annum [bn/a]**) by 2026, to drive exploration of green tech commodities in South Africa, while putting in place the **policy environment and infrastructure**, particularly clean energy supply, that will enable **increased local beneficiation**

4

Decarbonisation of the mining sector will be driven by **cleaner, renewable electricity supply**, which eliminates ~73% of Scope 1 and 2 emissions, while **electrification of mobility and stationary machinery** would eliminate ~15% of Scope 1 and 2 emissions. Furthermore, the **phase-out of coal** would remove most fugitive emissions

a Clean electricity supply via a **hybrid supply concept**, leveraging both self-generation and grid electricity, is the most cost-effective electricity decarbonisation option for the mining sector, requiring **~12 GW of self-generated RE** and **~5 GW of battery capacity** (**~50 times the current distributed RE capacity** in South Africa and a **~ZAR290 bn** investment over the next 30 years)

b The decarbonisation of mining vehicle fleets will require a **~ZAR90 bn** total investment over 30 years and will produce cost savings post-2024 as a result of reduced vehicle fuelling cost, provided that **OEMs and miners drive collaboration** to overcome today's technical challenges around battery electric vehicle (BEV) and fuel cell electric vehicle (FCEV) deployment

c As coal phases out, Scope 3 emissions in mining will mainly be driven by iron ore usage in steel production and, to a lesser extent, metal processing; eliminating those emissions requires a **transition towards green steel production**

5

Increasing temperatures, changing rainfall patterns and more frequent extreme weather events will impact mining operations in South Africa significantly and will require mining companies to develop **adaptation pathways that account for risk thresholds along the value chain**

6

A well-managed phase-out of coal will be critical given the pressing need to reduce the carbon-intensity of South Africa's economy to maintain competitiveness. While developing a clear Just Transition plan to protect the livelihoods of coal miners and coal value chain workers is critical, this segment only represents **~20% of current employment and ~26% of current revenue in the mining sector**, highlighting that significant opportunity will remain in the sector

7

Enabling the development of a climate-resilient, competitive mining sector requires **public-private sector coordination** along a common commodity exploration, production and beneficiation strategy, a **conducive policy environment**, **cheap finance** and access to **reliable, affordable, clean energy supply**

8

If the existing **structural issues are overcome**, an **enabling policy** environment developed, and a clear path towards **decarbonised operations**, and production and **beneficiation of green tech commodities** exists, South Africa's mining sector could become a prime destination for global long-term investments in mining and contribute to a Just Transition in South Africa

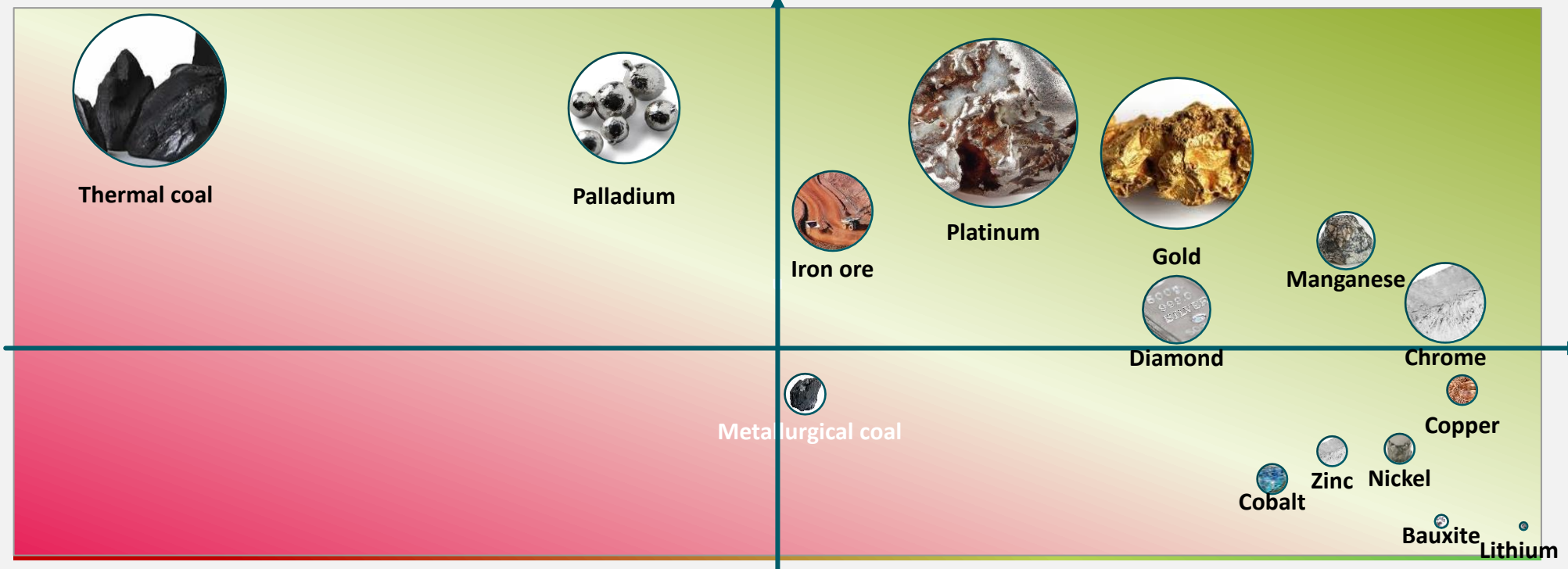


# SA coal and palladium demand expected to decline; iron ore, platinum, copper and battery materials with growth potential

INDICATIVE (not exhaustive)

Size of bubble indicating job contribution for SA

High value for SA (given current sales volume)



Negative growth potential

Low value for SA (given current sales volume)

Positive growth potential



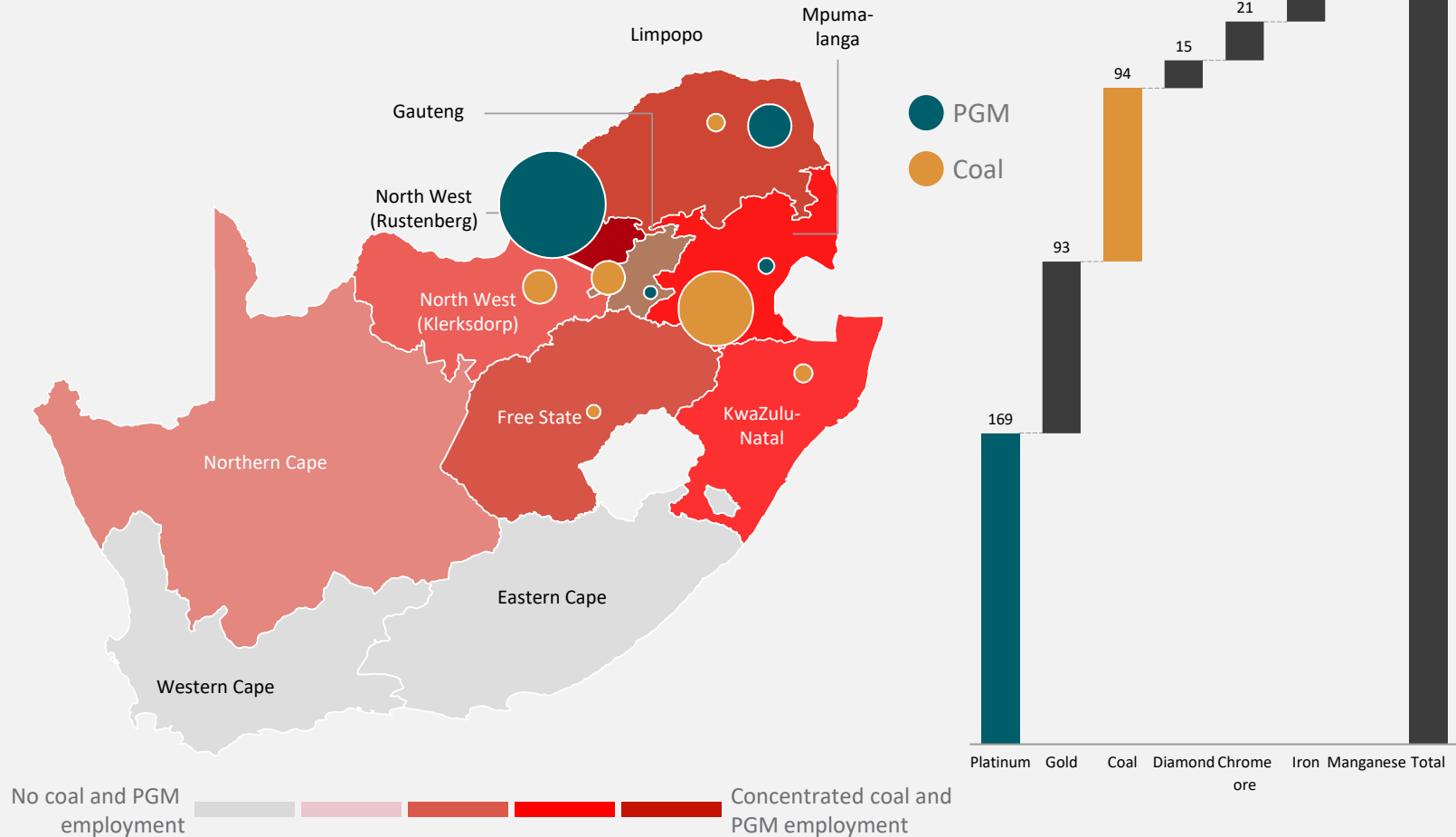
# The shift in value pools puts significant socio-economic risk on today's mining regions and communities in SA

**PGM and coal mining regions** in the north, northeast and northwest at risk to be hardest hit from local and global decarbonisation

**~60% of** today's mining workforce in South Africa at risk

**But risk even higher:** On average, one mine worker has ~5-10 dependants, supporting **2 million – 4 million livelihoods**

Size of bubbles indicates regional number of jobs in coal and platinum respectively. Proportional to regional mining jobs in other commodities





# Critical to leverage potential opportunities within and adjacent to the sector to address the shift in value pools



Shift mining to increasingly in demand, clean tech commodities



Drive market development related to the use of specific commodities in clean tech applications

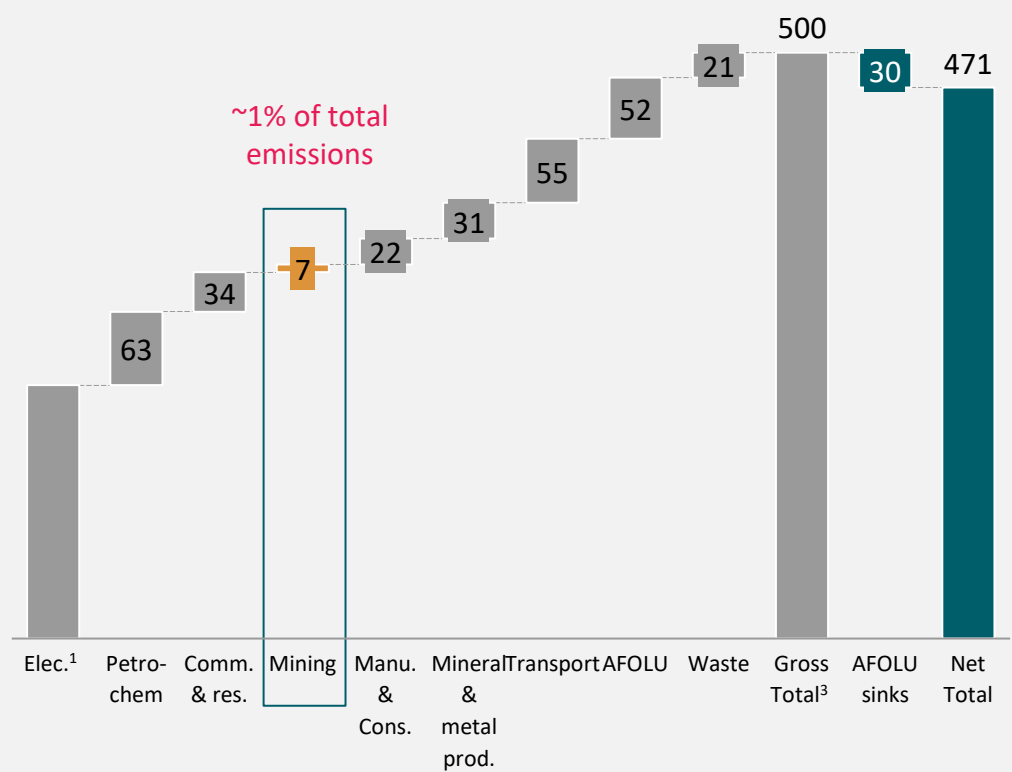


Shift to new business models / products and services



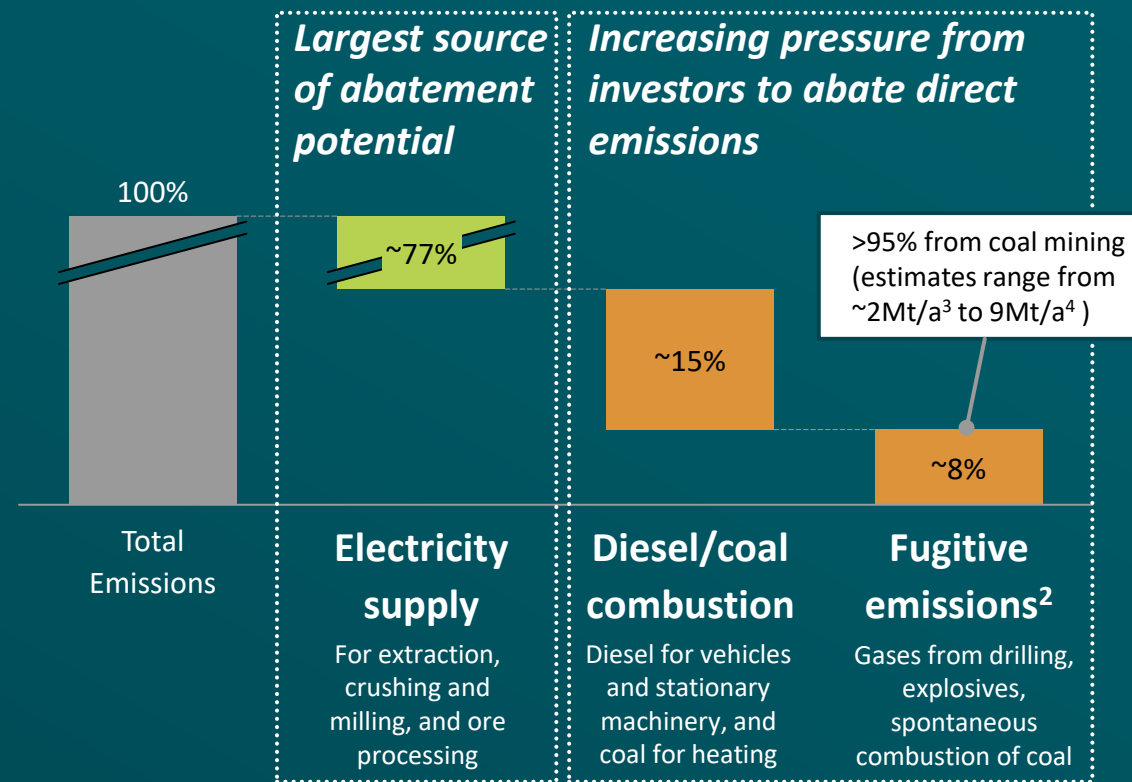
# Mining sector responsible for ~1-2% of SA's total direct emissions

Overview of emissions in South Africa (MtCO<sub>2</sub>e)



# However, scope 2 emissions make up ~80% of mining scope 1 and 2 emissions

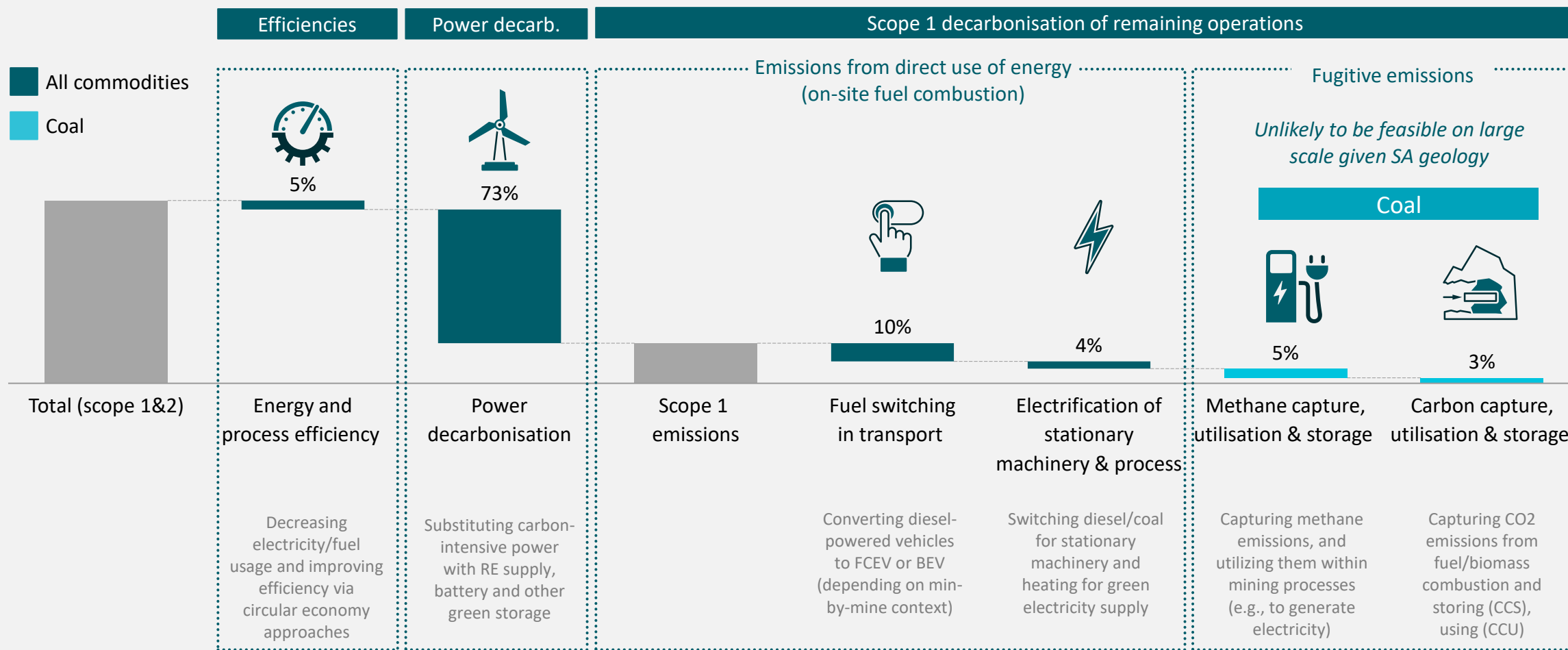
Drivers of SA mining emissions today ■ Scope 2 ■ Scope 1



Note: Petrochemicals sector includes basic chemicals, rubber products, plastic products, other chemical products, man-made fibres, and liquid fuels (including synthetic fuels). Total emissions include both scope 1 and scope 2 emissions. Sector baselines are scope 1 emissions. Scope 1 emissions are defined as direct emissions from all activities within control of an organisation. Scope 2 emissions are defined as indirect emissions from purchased electricity and are therefore included in electricity production scope 1 emissions. | 1. In GHGI, Mining part of Manufact. & constrn. But emissions not explicitly stated so they have been estimated & separated out 2. Figure estimated applying emissions intensities from Lloyd and Cook (2004) 3. Extrapolation of 2004 estimates by Lloyd and Cook 4. Extrapolation of 2010 estimates from USEPA | Source: GHGI 2017, Sasol 2017, Refinitiv Database, Company Annual Integrated Reports, Company Annual Sustainability Reports, NBI-BCG project team



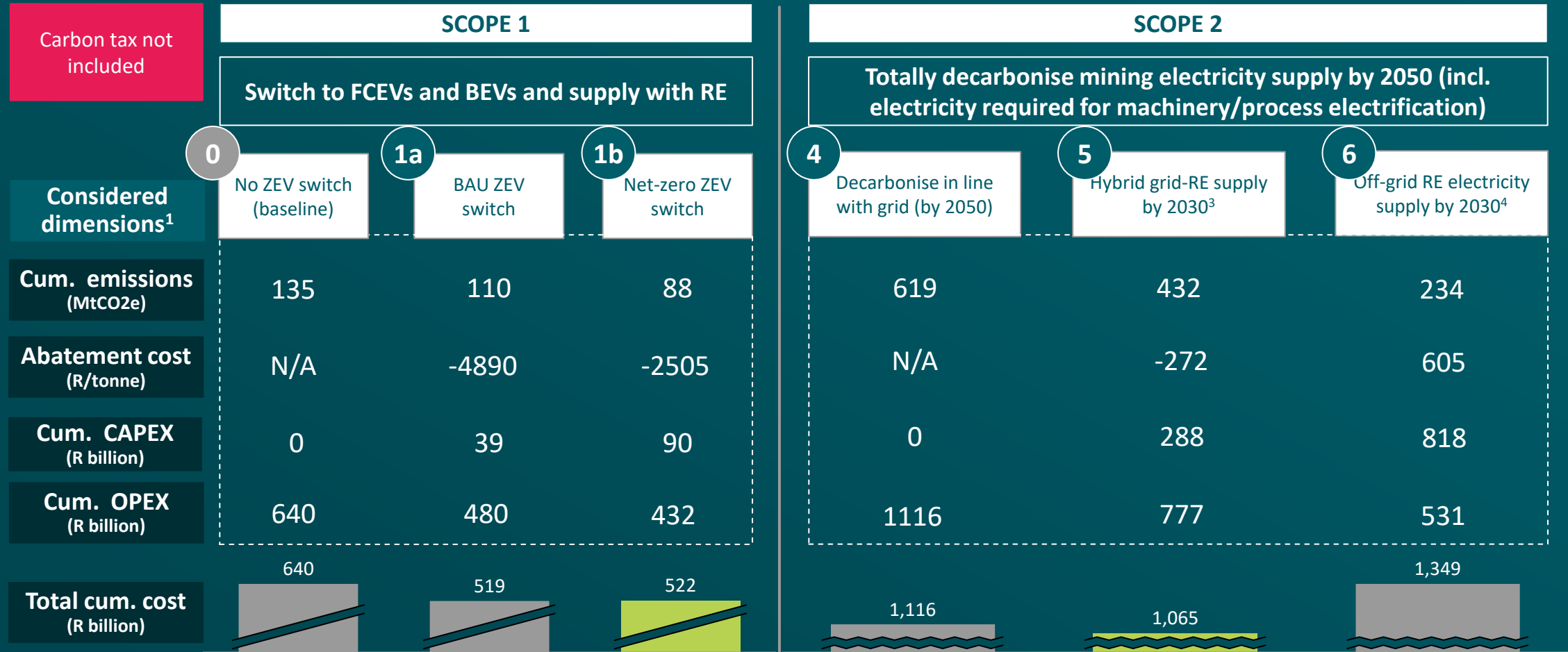
# Emissions can be fully abated through power decarbonisation, machinery and heat electrification, and efficiency improvements



1. Fugitive Emissions 2. Dependent on mix of efficiency levers and maturity of operation | Source: Company reports, BCG Publication – Mining Needs to go Faster on Climate Change (Feb 2020), NBI-BCG project team



# Over 2020-2050 period, hybrid self-generation RE and grid supply concept emerges as promising business case for accelerated power decarbonisation



Notes: Constant grid tariff of USD 65/MWh assumed; diesel and coal prices of USD 75/MWh and USD 4/MWh assumed for 2019 and scaled with EIA projections to 2050; Green H2 delivered cost changes from USD 4.3/kg in 2025 to USD 2.1/kg in 2050 | 1. Over 2020-2050 period 2. Assume vehicles refueled during optimal RE load hours (thus constant hourly supply is not a constraint) 3. Constant hourly supply of electricity ensured by supplementing RE and battery supply with grid electricity 4. Constant hourly supply of electricity is ensured by supplementing RE and battery supply with piped green H2 which is fed into on-site turbines



# Mining scope 3 emissions

Thermal coal phase-out will eliminate significant portion of scope 3 emissions, however, iron ore and steel value chain presents significant techno-economic challenge

## Emissions spread along the value chain



Sourcing



Transporting



Processing/use by customers



Source: GHG Protocol, Company Reporting; NBI-BCG team

**1 Key levers:** Zero emissions value chains can be reached by 2050 but require miners to help manage, incentivise, and enable downstream decarbonisation by supplying required green materials



**Preferential pricing or product access** to customers with low CO<sub>2</sub> product uses



**Vertical R&D or tech deployment** co-funding (e.g., Maersk, Rio Tinto)



**Commodity/customer portfolio management** with regards to CO<sub>2</sub>



Producing **higher quality/lump ore** to reduce processing requirements



**CO<sub>2</sub> reduction "advisory"** to suppliers or customers (e.g., BMW, Daimler)



**Ensuring supply of 'green tech. commodities'** (e.g., lithium, copper, nickel)



**Complementary CO<sub>2</sub>-reducing products** or initiatives (e.g., VW Elli green electricity)

**2 Maximising value from green ecosystems:** Requires close relationship between miners and downstream players



**Partnerships** allow acceleration of technologies already backed by downstream players, through co-funding and relationships that facilitate sharing of expertise

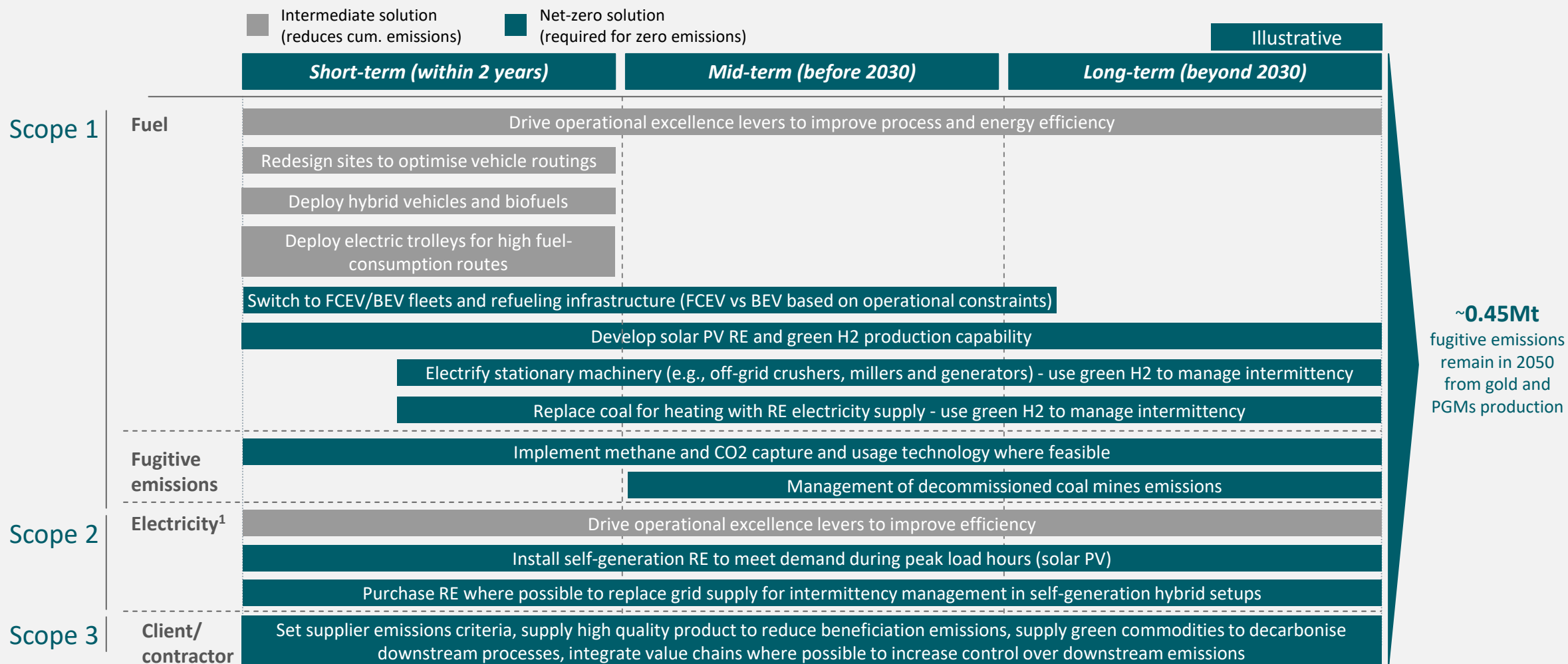


**Green funding** brings CAPEX to a constrained downstream industry





# Timing and scale of lever deployment will depend on tech-economic feasibilities and decarbonisation ambition



Source: Expert interviews, BCG case experience



# South Africa's changing climate...



**Rising temperatures**



**Shifting rainfall patterns**



**More extreme temp. events<sup>1</sup>**

# ...poses significant physical risks to the mining sector

Not exhaustive



## Mine facilities and operations

- Increases wildfire risk
- Risk of underground mines overheating
- Disrupts production
- Necessitates improved water treatment (pollution risk)
- Impacts slope stability near opencast mines



## Critical infrastructure

- Disrupts electricity supply
- Disrupts transport routes
- Damages infrastructure (e.g. ports, roads, electrical infrastructure)



## Worker safety and productivity

- Increases risk of heat-related illness
- Increases risk of contracting tropical diseases
- Impairs visibility on roads and on site due to dust/mist
- Poses health risks due to mine dust exposure
- Safety risks due to extreme weather events

1. Very hot day is classified as >35°C

Source: BSR, "Adapting to Climate Change: A Guide for the Mining Industry"; Chavalala, "An Assessment of South Africa's Coal Mining Sector Response to Climate Change Adaptation Demands"



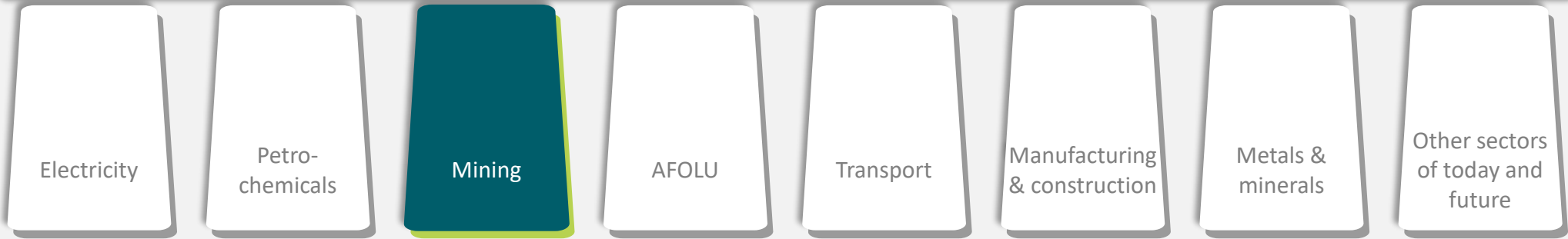
# Unlocking South Africa's vision of a Just Transition at a national and sectoral level hinges on key building blocks



## Vision 1

For South Africa, the Just Transition is a shift towards **environmentally sustainable economies & societies for all**. Such a transition needs to be well managed and contribute to the goals of **decent work, social inclusion** and the **eradication of poverty** for all South Africans.

## Challenges & opportunities 2



## Building blocks 3



**4 Stakeholder collaboration & coordination key to all building blocks**



# Pursuing these pathways requires financing, conducive policies and technology development and certainty



## ~380 Bn ZAR capital investment requirement

- ~290 Bn ZAR for RE deployment (in a hybrid RE-grid setup)
- ~90 Bn ZAR for BEV/FCEV switch and deployment of fuel production infrastructure



## Technology certainty and development

- Feasibility of 'Tapping into' the grid for hybrid electricity supply must be ensured
- Miners & OEMs must collaborate to drive electrification pilots
- H2 delivery infrastructure strategy required for mining regions



## Conducive policy frameworks and support

- Enabling policy frameworks that attract cheap green finance
- Policy that clarifies interaction between grid and self generation
- Ensuring PPA terms align with life-of-mine considerations



Mining in SA must reposition itself to capture the shift in value pools and must decarbonise and adapt to climate change to remain globally competitive – A Just Transition is paramount for all pathways considered



# Q&A

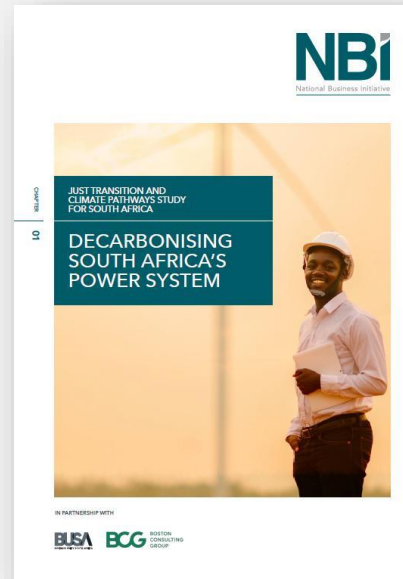
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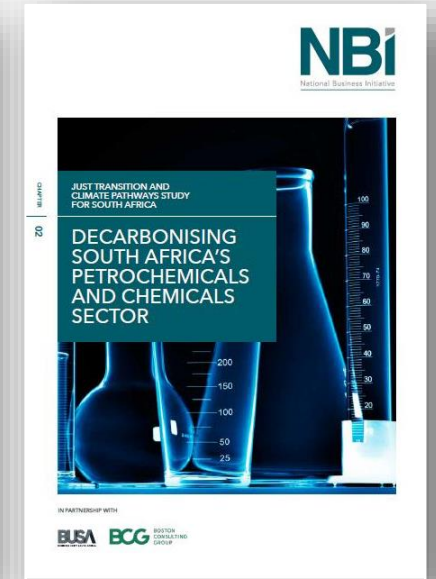
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The role of gas in South Africa's decarboniation



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This is an opportunity for us to showcase the opportunities that have emerged from Just Transition Pathways work on an international platform and position South Africa as a major investment destination to attract finance for our Just Transition to a low carbon, resilient and socially sustainable and inclusive future.



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