

## Energy transition towards a low carbon future - a Norwegian perspective

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## Institute for Energy Technology

- Independent foundation established in 1948
- R&D in a broad scope of energy technology
  - Nuclear research
  - Renewable energy
  - Petroleum
- 600 employees (Kjeller and Halden)
- Turnover: NOK 1 billion
- Contract research
- Laboratory
- Internationally oriented



### **Content of presentation**

- 1. The Norwegian energy system and climate policy
- 2. Analysis
  - Nordic Energy Technology Perspectives
  - Low carbon future: Norwegian and Scandinavian analysis
  - Energy and Climate analysis for the city of Oslo

### The Norwegian energy system



- Electricity production is mainly based on hydropower >95%)
  - Huge water reservoirs
  - Potential for new run-of-river hydropower
- Petroleum sector exports of oil & gas
- Huge potential for both onshore and offshore wind power
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- Cold climate -> High demand for space heating
- Historically electricity has been relatively inexpensive
  - Energy-intensive industry
  - Electricity based heating system

### **Norwegian electricity production**



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### Primary energy sources in Norway



#### **GHG-emissions in Norway** 54 million tons of CO<sub>2</sub>-equivalents per year



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### Transition to a low emission society













## Focus areas for decarbonization

- 1. Electrification of petroleum sector
- 2. Distributed, integrated and flexible energy system
- 3. Electrification of transport
  - Challenging to decarbonize long-distance
- 4. Cities

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Industrial processes

## The energy system is analyzed within the TIMES modelling framework



- We model the interconnection between energy production, distribution and demand for energy
- Interplay between different demand sectors and energy carriers
- Calculate needed investments in the energy system to cover future demand to the lowest cost / lowest emissions



### Transforming the energy system

#### Total Nordic Primary Energy Supply in a Carbon Neutral Scenario



# A decoupling of transport activity from emissions



### Norwegian policy supports zero emission<sup>•</sup> vehicles (BEV and FCEV)

- Economic incentives
  - Exempted from non-recurrent tax
  - Reduced annual fee
  - Reduced (or no) road toll
  - Free parking in public parking
  - Free public charging
- Other incentives
  - Access to bus lane





### **Decarbonisation of transport**

Carbon neutral scenario for Scandinavia (Norway, Sweden, Denmark)



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## Electrification of transport

#### Electrification in Norway

2015



13 % electric vehicles in 2015

Electric



80 % electric vehicles in 2050

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### **Passenger transport**

- Public transport: local and national government organize open tendering on zero emission alternatives:
  - Passenger ferries
  - Busses



Ampere: battery ferry in operation in Sognefjorden



Hydrogen bus in operation in Oslo



### **Freight transport** Depends more on local / private initiatives

- 100% Renewable Fuel by 2020 by using a mix of fuels
- Example: ASKO
  - Fresh food distribution





Policies need to be improved

### **Oslo: Capital of Norway**

- Climate targets in Oslo are ambitious:
  - No use of fossils in public transport after 2020
  - 50 % emission reduction before 2030
  - No use of fossil fuels by 2050
- Oslo is world leading in EV roll-out
  - > 2000 public charging points



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Oslo moves to ban cars from city centre within four years

Proposed han on private vehicles is part of a plan to slash greenhouse gas emissions 50% by 2030 compared to 1990 levels



Oslo, 2016

# Emissions in transport decrease significantly

but continues to be the main contributor to CO<sub>2</sub> emissions



## **Closing remarks**

Action needed to achieve the challenging climate targets:

- 1. Utilise and strengthen *proven policies* in transport
- 2. Focus on sustainable development in *cities*
- 3. International cooperation on *grids* and markets
  - *Flexibility* in energy production and demand
- 4. Industrial decarbonisation: *innovation* is necessary (incl. CCS)
  - *Electrification* of petroleum

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