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# A coal power plant in Tunisia?

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Reducing the energy deficit – how to choose  
the most adequate technology for the  
Tunisian context.

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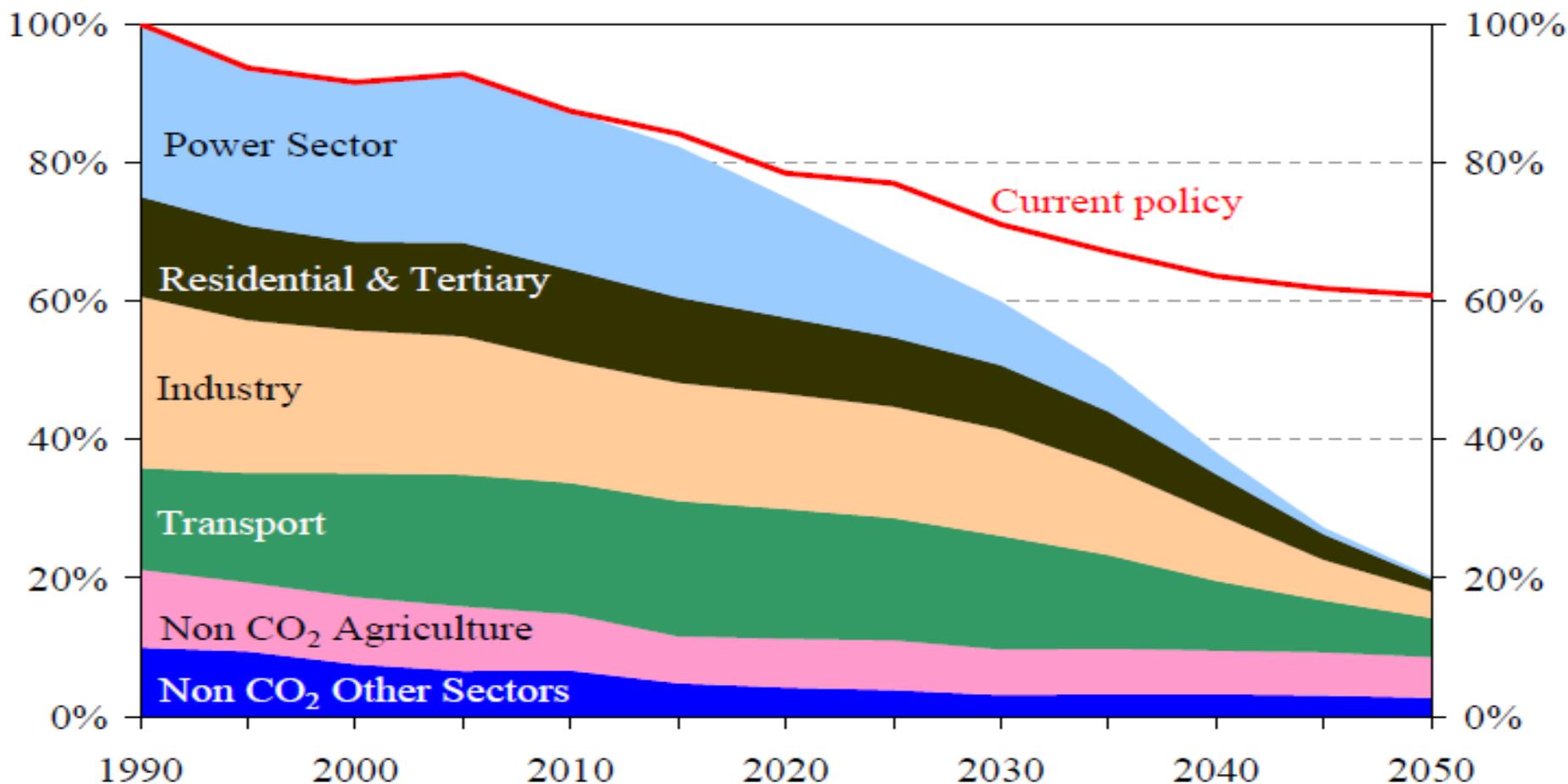
**Kofi Annan, 2014**

**Former Secretary General of the United Nations**

***“The Climate Crisis threatens the well-being of hundreds of million people. It undermines the human right to food, water, health and security.”***

***“This is not only a worrying future scenario but is already happening today.”***

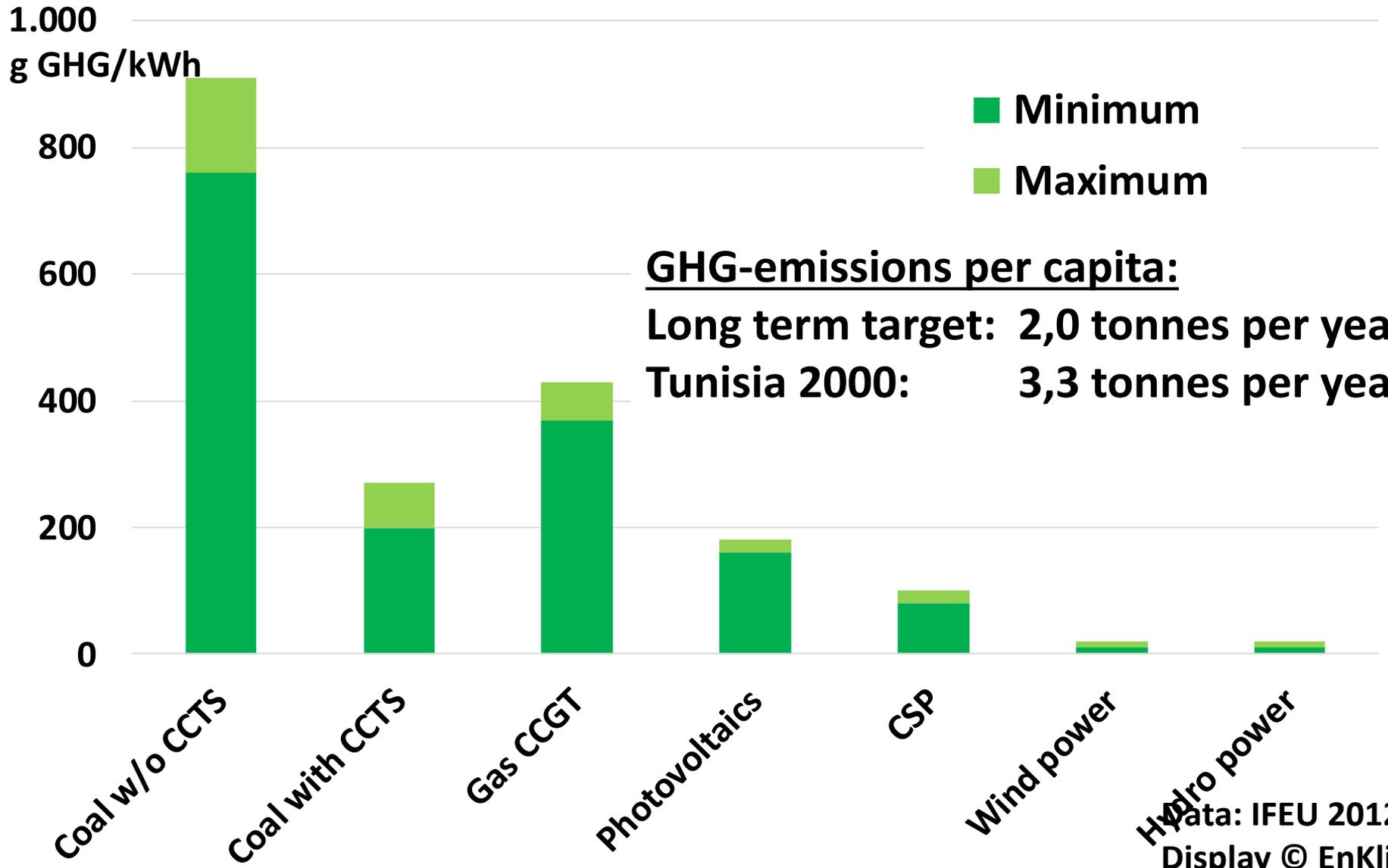
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**Reductions in EU GHG emissions in order to achieve a domestic reduction of 80% by 2050 (100% = 1990)**

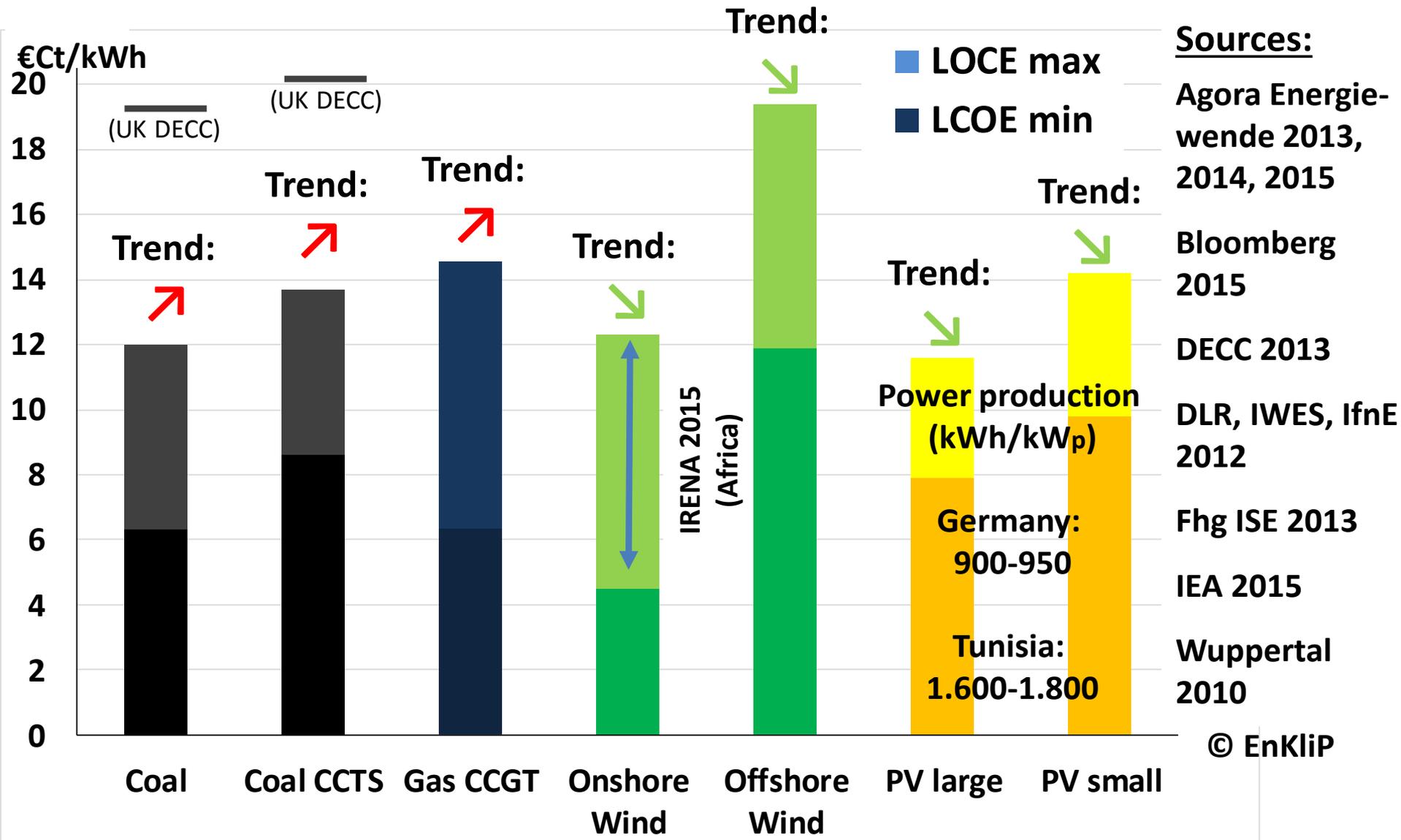
*(EC 2011, Roadmap for moving to a competitive low carbon economy in 2050)*

# Greenhouse gas emissions of power plants (g/kWh)



Data: IFEU 2012  
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# Production costs for power generation (LCOE)

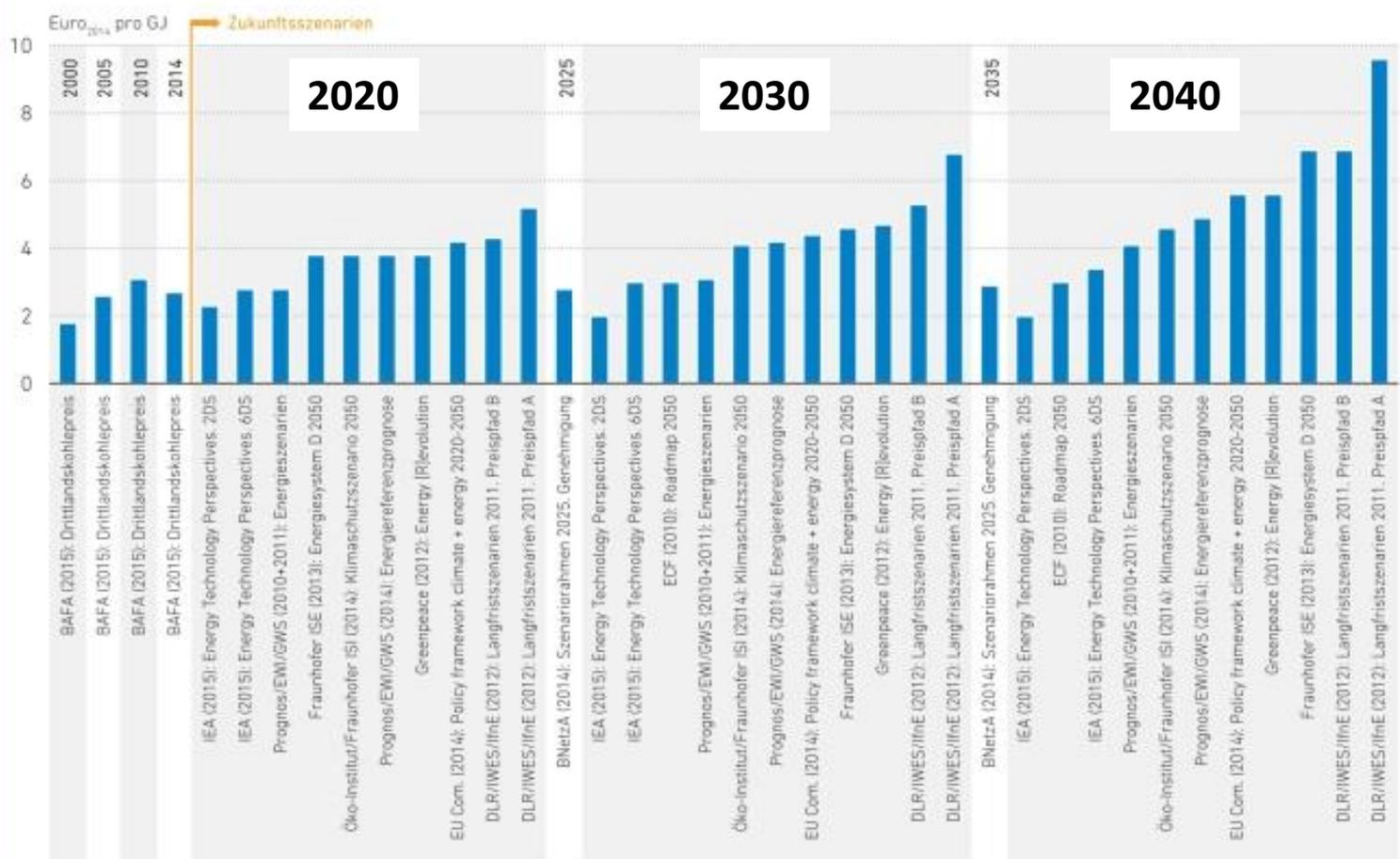


# Expectations for the development of the coal price

## Metaanalyse: Entwicklung der Preise für fossile Brennstoffe

### Entwicklung des Einfuhrpreises für Steinkohle in verschiedenen Szenarien

Aufgrund unterschiedlicher Wechselkurse bei der Währungsumrechnung von US-Dollar in Euro sind die Werte nur eingeschränkt vergleichbar. Für eigene Umrechnungen wurde ein Wechselkurs von 1,33 US-Dollar pro Euro zugrunde gelegt.

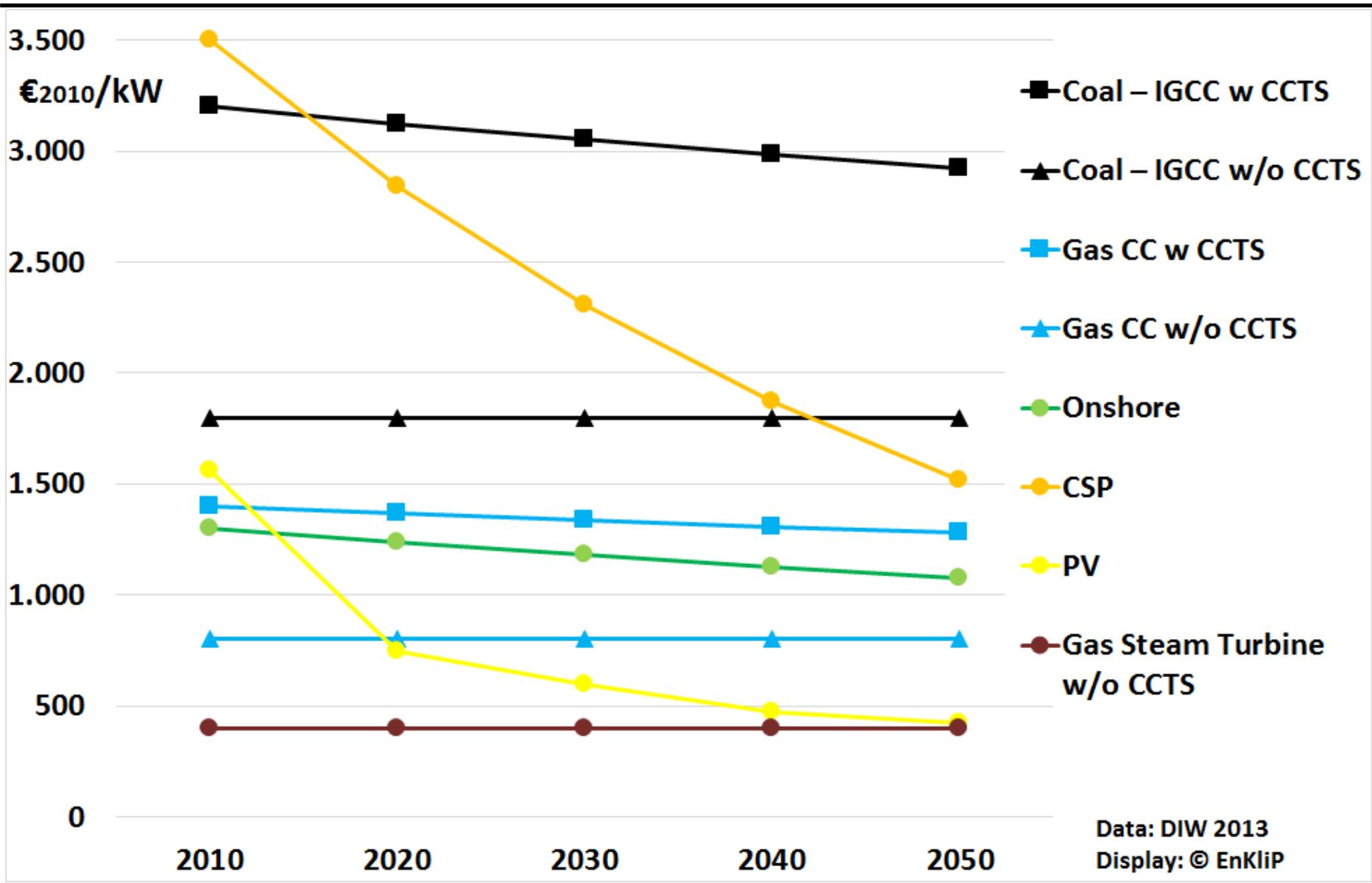


## Sources:

- BNetzA 2014
- DLR, IWES, IfnE 2012
- ECF 2010
- Fhg ISE 2013
- Greenpeace 2012
- EU COM 2014
- Öko-Institut, Fhg ISI 2014
- IEA 2015
- Prognos/EWI/GWS 2010, 2011, 2014



# Capital costs for power technologies 2010 to 2050



Data: DIW 2013  
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# Risk 1: Burdens for coal due to climate protection

- While the climate crisis is becoming more dramatic, political pressure might rise to,
    - raise taxes on green house gas emissions,
    - join an international emission trading system, or
    - enact other measures to reduce GHG-emissions affecting the coal power plants.
  - This would make power from existing and new coal power plants more expensive.
  - Renewable energy sources would become more competitive.
- ➔ A mid or long term path using coal power plants might become more expensive than an even stronger renewable path.



## Risk 2: Strong renewable increase

- **Already today, electricity from private photovoltaic power plants is for some consumer in Germany and many other countries cheaper than the end consumer price of power.**
  - **With wind and solar power steadily becoming cheaper, also utility investments into these technologies might increase.**
  - **The more power produced by fluctuating renewable sources, the less full load hours coal power plants can run.**
- This makes each kilowatt hour from coal power plants more expensive.**



# Risk 3: Shrinking availability of money for coal projects

International organisations tend to stop financing coal-based projects.

**Fossil fuel divestment:**

- Removal of investment assets including stocks, bonds, and investment funds from fossil fuel industry.
- About 200 institutions representing over US\$ 50 Billion have pledged to divest from fossil fuels (Arabella, USA).
- Fastest growing divestment movement in history (The Guardian, GB).
- “Coal To Be Hardest Hit By Fossil Fuel Divestment Campaign” (Forbes Magazine).

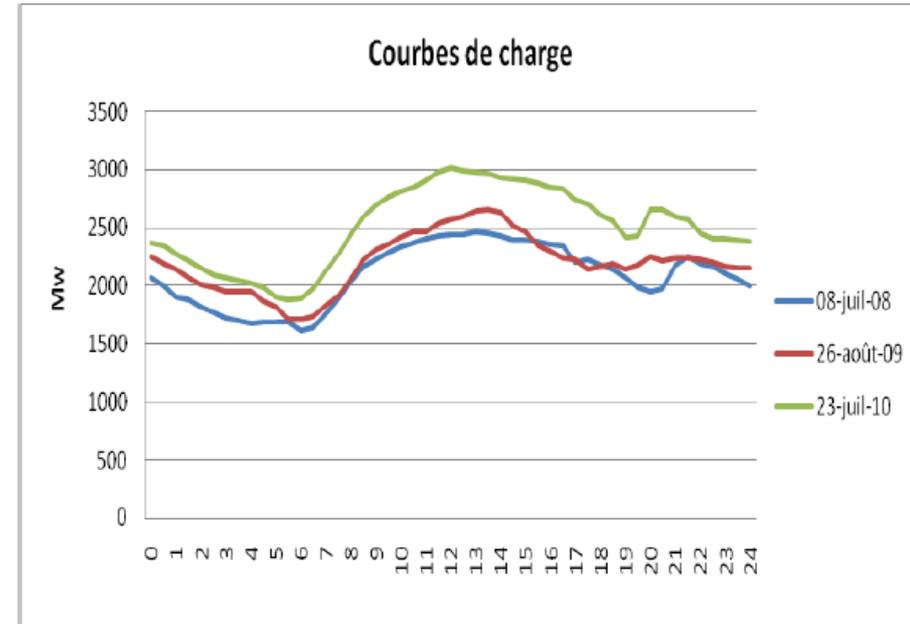
→ For renewable projects, international money will be available, e.g. Green Climate Fund (2,5 Billion € in 2016)



# Supply security with a high share of renewables

For the coming years, Tunisia needs a higher power production during the day – not at night.

→ **Solar power plants can offer this with little costs.**



Even with a strong increase of renewable power plants there will be hours in a year with too little capacity to meet the demand.

→ This might be only some hours in a year.

→ To produce power in these few hours, power plants with little capital costs are needed.

# Supply security with a high share of renewables

## Flexibility options with little capital costs:

- Gas turbines
- Demand side management
- Standby sets (emergency backup generators)

## Additionally, there are renewable power plants that are controllable:

- Concentrated solar power combined with heat storage equipment
- Biomass power plants
- Some hydropower plants

## Increasing diversity:

➔ Produce gas with renewable electricity



# Supply security with a high share of renewables

## Interconnector to Italy

Long term economic cooperation with a political stable partner.

→ **Good for the geopolitical stability**

More diversification, since EU uses all relevant energy resources existing.

→ **Greater supply security in Tunisia**

Possibility to export electricity to Italy

→ **Attractive revenues**

**An extension and better use of existing interconnectors to Algeria and Libya could also increase supply security for Tunisia.**



Thank you for your attention

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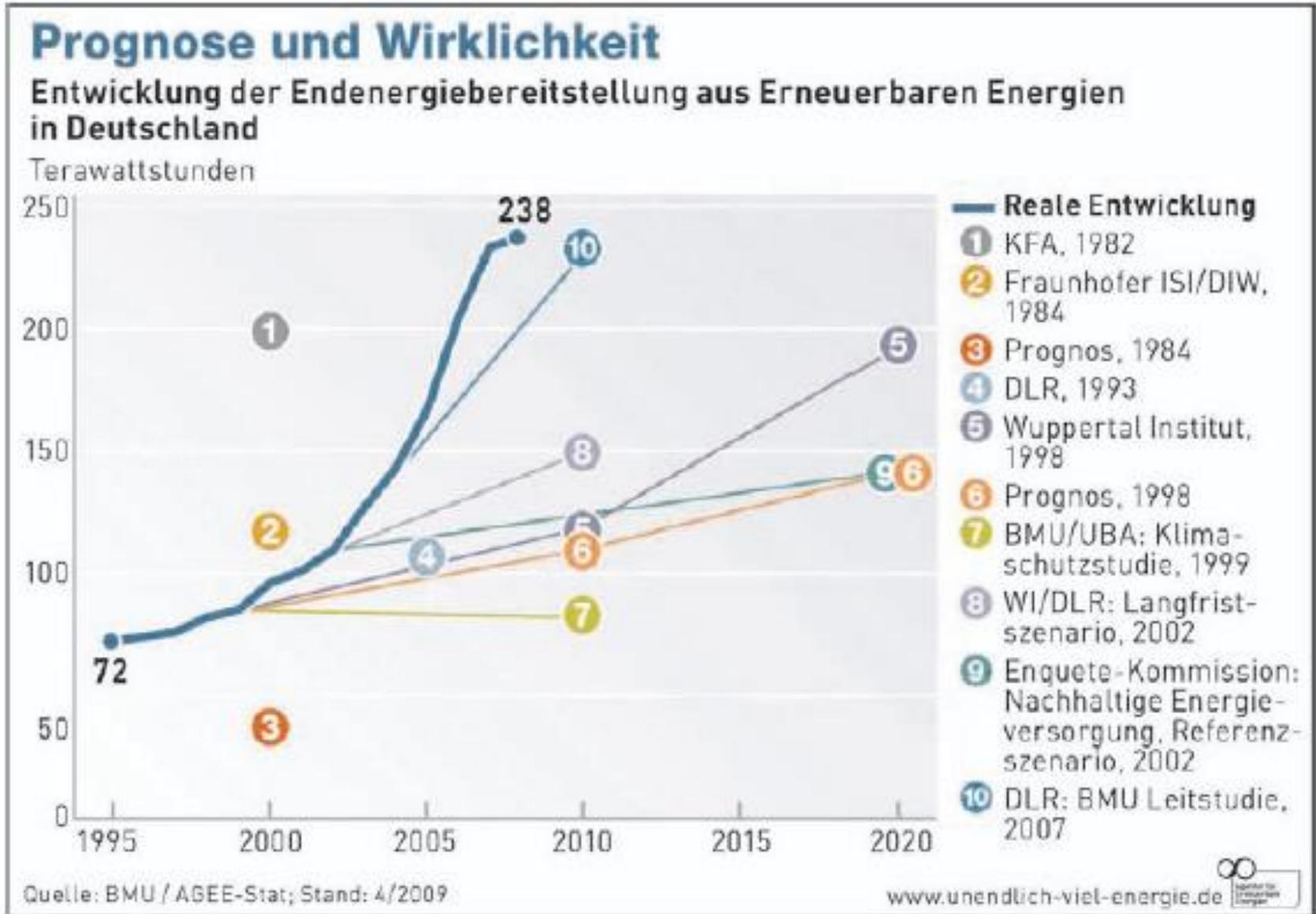
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## IEA forecasts and Reality

### Worldwide wind power capacity additions (MW)

