

## IEA's Medium Term Coal Market Report 2016

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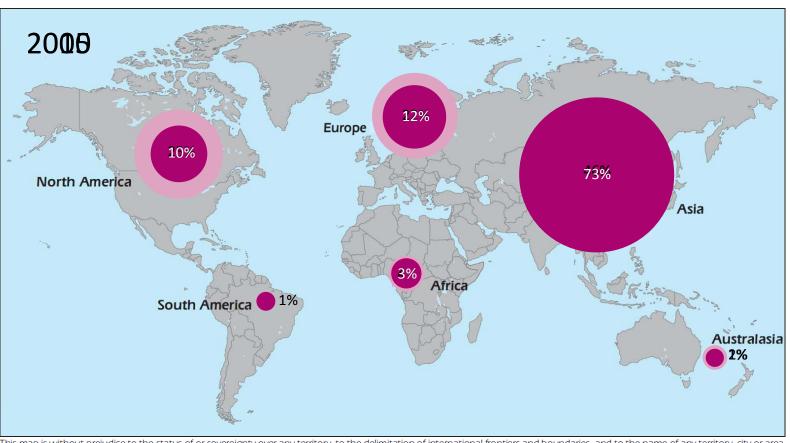


#### **Coal markets: recent developments**

- Global coal demand declined in 2015 for the first time in this century
  - Coal demand drop in China and US in 2015 was unprecedented
- China's coal demand declined in 2015 for the second year in a row
  - ➤ Last time this happened was 1981. Economic restructuring and energy diversification underpinned such decline
- International coal trade shrank in 2015 for the first time in 20 years
  - There is none to offset declines in Europe, India and especially China
- India, Australia and Russia increased production significantly in 2015
  - Despite low prices, cost reduction in Australia and Russia, and increasing demand in India were drivers for production ramp up
- Coal prices ramped up in 2016 to unexpected levels one year ago
  - Chinese supply side policy changes was the main driver, exacerbated by disruption in Australia and other places



### The shift of coal to Asia is accelerating



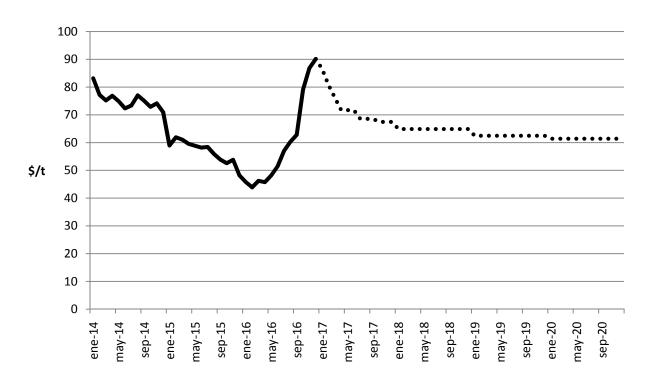
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- Coal consumption has decreased in North America and Europe while increasing strongly in Asia
- > The coal world is becoming completely asymmetrical



### High prices, but low expectations

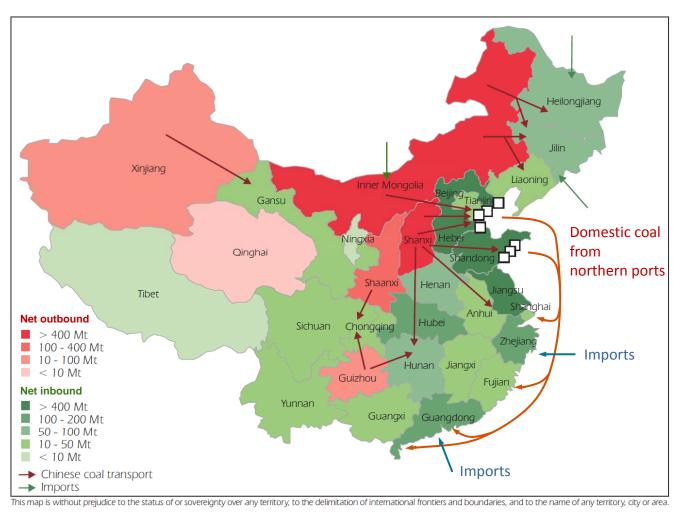
#### Price of thermal coal



Thermal coal prices doubled mostly pushed by Chinese supply cut, but the market players expect the trend to reverse



#### Does China set the global prices?

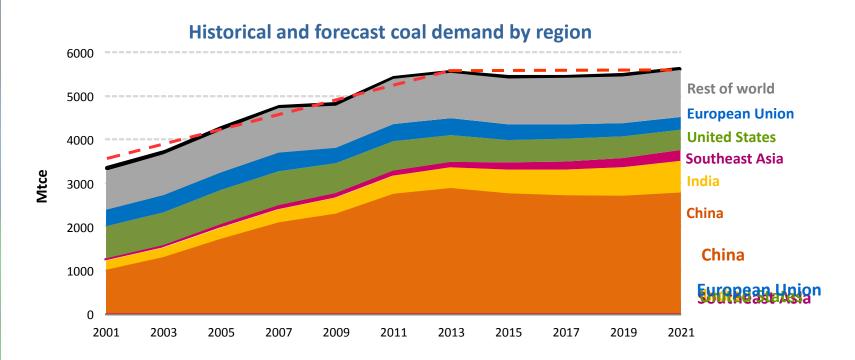


The large arbitrage in the southern import ports between domestic and imported coal is key to determines prices – in China and elsewhere

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## Global coal demand: from growth to plateau

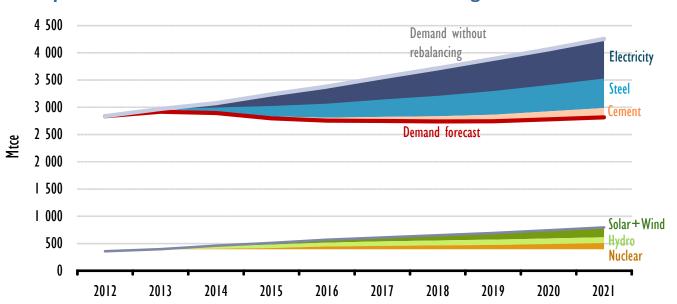


- Largest growth will be in India and ASEAN region
- Largest decline will be in US and Europe
- Largest uncertainty is China



# Coal consumption in China in the future: a flat trajectory

Impact of diversification and economic rebalancing on Chinese coal demand

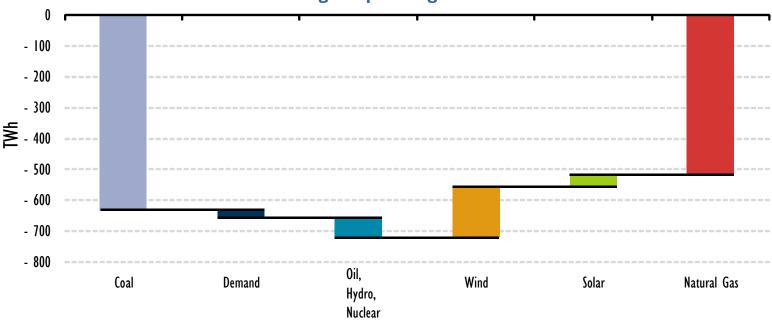


> Rebalancing of the economy and the increasing share of generation from hydro, nuclear and other renewables flatten the projection



#### Who is hitting US coal?



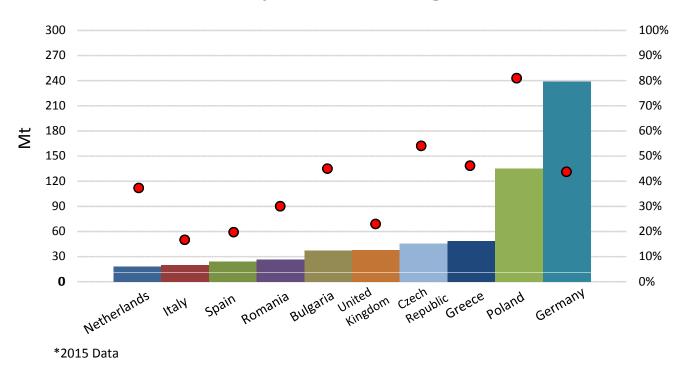


- Coal power generation has largely been replaced by gas generation
- > But energy efficiency and wind were also significant



#### A farewell to coal in Europe?

#### Coal demand and share in power in the 10-largest consumers in the EU



- > Belgium was the last European country ending coal generation
- > But for others, things are far more complex



#### China: giving access to electricity

Countries where coal plants have been announced or built by Chinese companies



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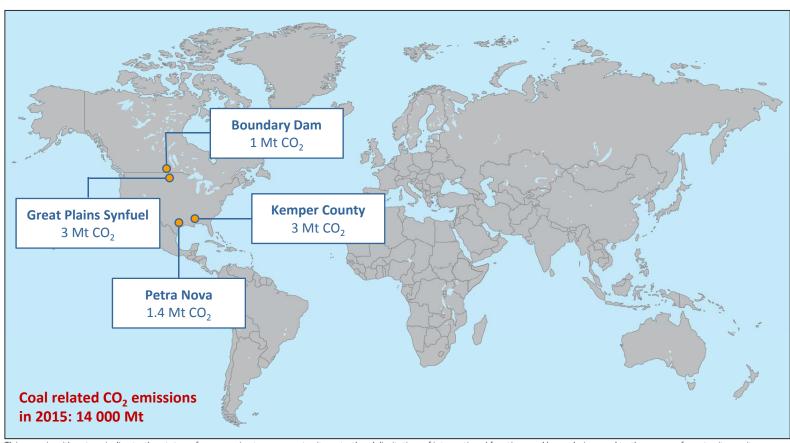
After successful electrification at home, Chinese companies are building new coal-fired power plants in numerous countries.





#### CCS: few steps, no strides.

Large-scale coal-based CCUS projects in the world



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- ▶ Despite concrete progress on CCS, only 0.06% of coal-based CO2 emissions are captured
- Strong action from governments is urgently needed



#### Coal markets: the outlook

- Global demand growth to stall in the next coming years
  - With decline in Europe and US almost offsetting increase in India and ASEAN region, China will determine the global trends
- In China, coal demand is in structural and slow decline driven by a new economic growth model and diversification from coal
  - However, dependence on coal of China will remain and demand in 2021 is forecast higher than in 2015
- Coal trade contracts, but recovers at the end of the outlook period
  - Viet Nam, Malaysia, Pakistan, Philippines, Morocco and other importers add up to increase coal trade
- Coal prices have strongly rebounded up in 2016. As a result, the coal industry has found some relief
  - Looking ahead, low costs, slugging demand and structural oversupply in China do not support high prices
- Despite concrete progress, CCS development requires stronger support and commitment by governments
  - Without CCS deployment, coal's future is seriously challenged, but also our climate targets



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