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All Change for Renewable Energy



1887: James Blythe built a wind turbine in his garden





Source: Engineeringhalloffame.org

The pursuit of net zero requires multiple decarbonisation solutions





Source: Wood Mackenzie, 2023. Forecasts are not an indicator of future performance and any investments are subject to risks and uncertainties.

The Paris Agreement is a legally binding international treaty on climate change. Its goal is to limit global warming to well below 2, preferably to 1.5 degrees Celsius, compared to pre-industrial levels.

Global energy investment in clean energy and in fossil fuels





Source: IEA, Global energy investment in clean energy and in fossil fuels, 2015-2023, IEA, Paris https://www.iea.org/data-and-statistics/charts/global-energy-investment-in-clean-energy-and-in-fossil-fuels-2015-2023, IEA. Licence: CC BY 4.0. Historical performance is not an indication of future performance and any investments may go down in value.

Global Solar Installations Expected to Rise 56% in 2023



BNEF's current 2023 new build PV forecast*

14.5 US cents per Watt

392GW

Estimate of typical monocrystalline silicon monofacial module price by the end of the year



Source: *BNEF is Bloomberg New Energy Finance, Aug 21 2023. PV is photovoltaic. https://www.bnef.com/insights/32069. Forecasts are not an indicator of future performance and any investments are subject to risks and uncertainties.

Global cumulative offshore wind installations



509GW

Cumulative global offshore wind installations by 2035

-44%

Change in cumulative 2030 floating offshore wind forecast compared to 2H 2022



Source: Bloomberg New Energy Finance, Jun 28 2023. https://www.bnef.com/insights/31703. Forecasts are not an indicator of future performance and any investments are subject to risks and uncertainties.

Global levelized cost of electricity (LCOE) benchmarks: The rapid decline in battery storage costs



\$42/MWh

The global onshore wind LCOE, which is BNEF's cheapest benchmark

-12.5% Change in the global fourhour battery storage benchmark since 2H 2022

+6% Change in debt costs for newly financed projects since 2H 2022



Source: Bloomberg New Energy Finance, Jun 07 2023. PV is photovoltaic. CCS is carbon capture and storage. https://www.bnef.com/insights/31489. Historical performance is not an indication of future performance and any investments may go down in value.

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Wind and solar have a significantly large role to play in a net zero world



Source: Wood Mackenzie, 2023. ETO is the base case energy transition outlook. AET-1.5 is the accelerated energy transition scenario in which the world achieves net zero by 2050. Forecasts are not an indicator of future performance and any investments are subject to risks and uncertainties

End-use demand for energy is projected to peak by 2028 as electricity dominates





Rapid electrification of transport and buildings delivers efficiency gains versus fossil-fuel incumbents



Building stock investment and refurbishment lowers heating and cooling requirements



Removal of end-user subsidies and higher cost of carbon support shift in consumer behaviour



Source: WisdomTree, Wood Mackenzie. Mtoe is mega tonnes of oil equivalent. ETO is the energy transition outlook and serves as the base case scenario. AET 1.5 refers to an accelerated energy transition outlook consistent with a 1.5 degree scenario. Forecasts are not an indicator of future performance and any investments are subject to risks and uncertainties.

How WisdomTree and Wood Mackenzie view the Renewable Energy Value Chain



Raw Materials



Source: WisdomTree, Wood Mackenzie, 2023. O&M refers to operations and maintenance and PV refers to photovoltaic.

Foundations- onshore Foundations- offshore Components- onshore Components- offshore

Manufacturing

Battery energy storage systems Onshore asset

management

technology

Recycling

Enablers

Renewables O&M

Other renewables

Emerging Technologies

Floating wind	Floating PV
Concentrated solar power	Hydrogen electrolysers
New and emerging solar technology	Hydrogen fuel cells
Solid state	



Renewable energy production requires large quantities of copper



Copper's integral role in renewable energy:

Irreplaceable

Copper's electrical conductivity, energy efficiency, malleability, and ductility make it hard to substitute

repeatedly with no loss to its physical properties²

2.4x Copper's annual demand rises from 29m tonnes in 2020 to 68m tonnes in 2050 in the 1.5*C scenario³

Source: IEA, Minerals used in clean energy technologies compared to other power generation sources, IEA, Paris https://www.iea.org/data-and-statistics/charts/minerals-used-in-clean-energy-technologies-compared-to-other-power-generation-sources, IEA. Licence: CC BY 4.0. October 2022. 1 and 3 from Wood Mackenzie, 2023. 2 from Copper Alliance, 2023. Forecasts are not an indicator of future performance and any investments are subject to risks and uncertainties.

Manufacturing: The building blocks of renewable energy



Renewable energy production requires numerous components. This includes:



Invertors: Central in a solar energy system. It's a device that converts direct current (DC) electricity, which is what a solar panel generates, to alternating current (AC) electricity, which the electrical grid uses.



Modules: Photovoltaic modules, commonly known as solar panels are typically made with semiconductor material, usually silicon and convert solar power into electrical energy.



Wind turbine components: Wind turbines require components such as blades, towers, rotors, nacelles, and generators.



Distribution and transmission

equipment: This includes bus bars, fuses, switches, transformers, high-voltage cables, lines etc.

Sources: Wood Mackenzie, 2023. Office of Energy Efficiency & Renewable Energy, 2023. Enel, 2023.

Recycling: Enabling the sustainable growth of renewable energy





Improvements in recycling methods are

Recycling li-ion batteries has numerous benefits:



Source: IEA, Contribution of recycling and reuse of batteries to reducing primary supply requirement for selected minerals in the Sustainable Development Scenario, 2030-2040, IEA, Paris https://www.iea.org/data-and-statistics/charts/contribution-of-recycling-and-reuse-of-batteries-to-reducing-primary-supply-requirement-for-selected-minerals-in-the-sustainable-development-scenario-2030-2040, IEA. Licence: CC BY 4.0. Forecasts are not an indicator of future performance and any investments are subject to risks and uncertainties.

Hydrogen Electrolysers: Making green hydrogen a reality







Source: Bloomberg New Energy Finance (BNEF) October 2022. International Renewable Energy Agency 2023. ITM Power 2023. MENA refers to Middle East and North Africa. Forecasts are not an indicator of future performance and any investments are subject to risks and uncertainties.

Bold ambitions and exciting innovations: Denmark's Energy Island

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The island will be built 60 kilometres (km) offshore to benefit from stronger winds, be the size of 18 football pitches

600

Giant wind turbines could be housed on the island

3-4 GW

Capacity by 2030 and ultimately expanding to 10 GW



Source: Image: Vindo Consortium. World Economic Forum, The Danish Energy Agency (part of the Ministry of Climate, Energy and Utilities), 2023.



Bold ambitions and exciting innovations: Gansu Wind Farm, China



2010

First phase completed with a 5.16 GW capacity

7000

Wind turbines when finished, with a capacity of 20 GW

2,383

Transmission line from the hostile Gobi Desert



Bold ambitions and exciting innovations: Bhadla Solar Park, India

14,000

Acres of land making it the largest solar farm in the world

10 million

Solar panels contained on the farm

Robots

Used to clean the panels given the sandy Rajasthan desert







Bold ambitions and exciting innovations: Dezhou Dingzhuang Floating Solar Farm, China



320

Megawatts (MW) capacity

8 MWh

Of battery storage and 100 MW of wind power also on the farm



A challenging year for green strategies



Headwinds from China

Lower commodity prices

Higher financing costs



Source: Bloomberg, September 2023, WisdomTree. WTRENEN Index is the WisdomTree Renewable Energy Net Total Return Index. SPGTCLNT Index is the S&P Global Clean Energy Net Total Return Index. Historical performance is not an indication of future performance and any investments may go down in value.



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