

WILL ASIA INTRODUCE SIGNIFICANT BIOENERGY WITHIN THE REGIONAL POWER SECTOR

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PRESENTATION OUTLINE

- ICSC TCP—who we are and what we do
- Asia context
- Scope for bioenergy utilisation in the power sector
- Key takeaways



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WHO WE ARE NOW AND WHAT WE DO



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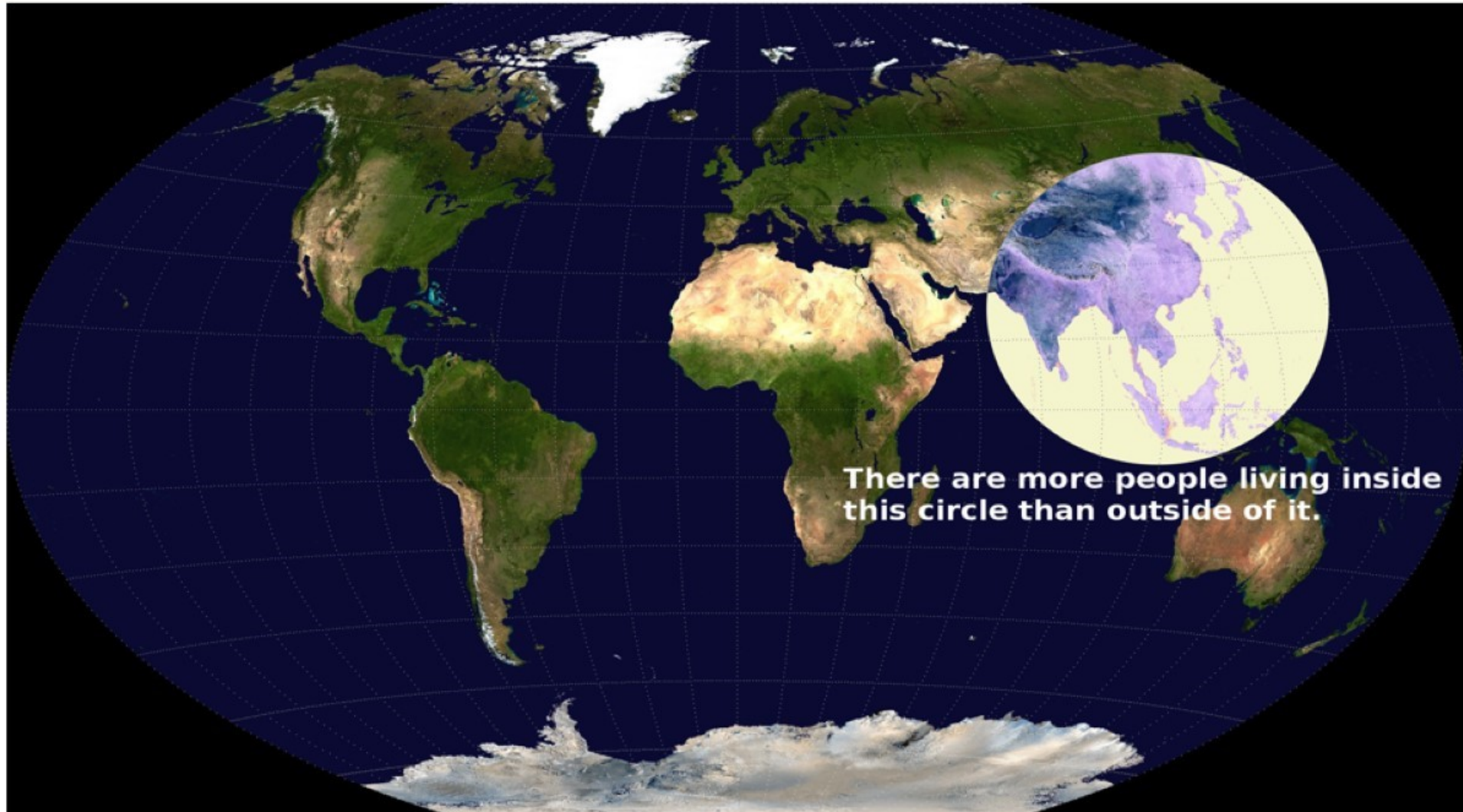
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- We are dedicated to providing independent information and analysis on how biomass, coal and other carbon sources can become cleaner sources of energy, compatible with the UN Sustainable Development Goals
- The International Centre for Sustainable Carbon (ICSC) is part of a network of autonomous collaborative partnerships focused on a wide range of energy technologies known as Technology Collaboration Programmes (TCPs)
- The TCPs are organised under the auspices of the International Energy Agency (IEA), but are functionally and legally autonomous
- We are a cost sharing TCP and are funded by national governments (contracting parties) and by corporate industrial organisations (sponsors)



ASIA IS THE KEY PLAYER IN THE GLOBAL ENERGY DEBATE



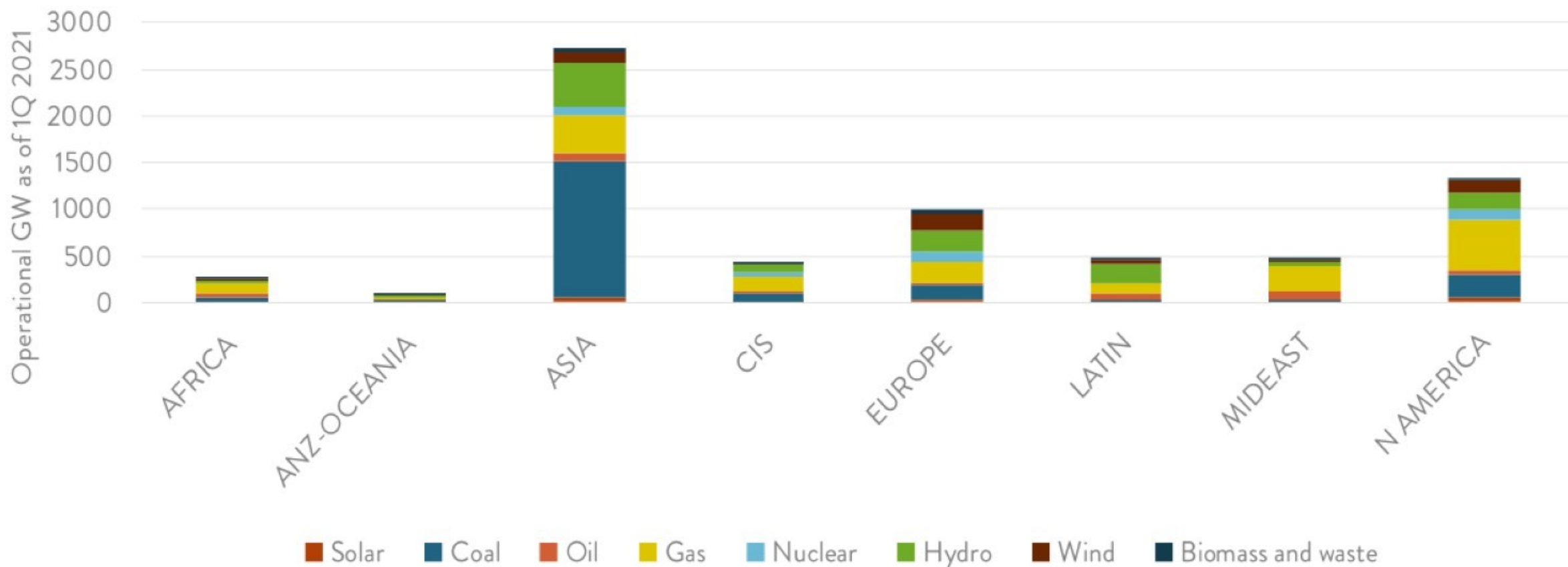
Population Density - (Via Imgur <https://imgur.com/gallery/yci7C>) Sep 2013



GLOBAL OPERATIONAL CAPACITY (GW) ALL FUELS BY REGION

GW operational power capacity all fuels by region

(renewables excludes non-commercial installations e.g. residential rooftop)

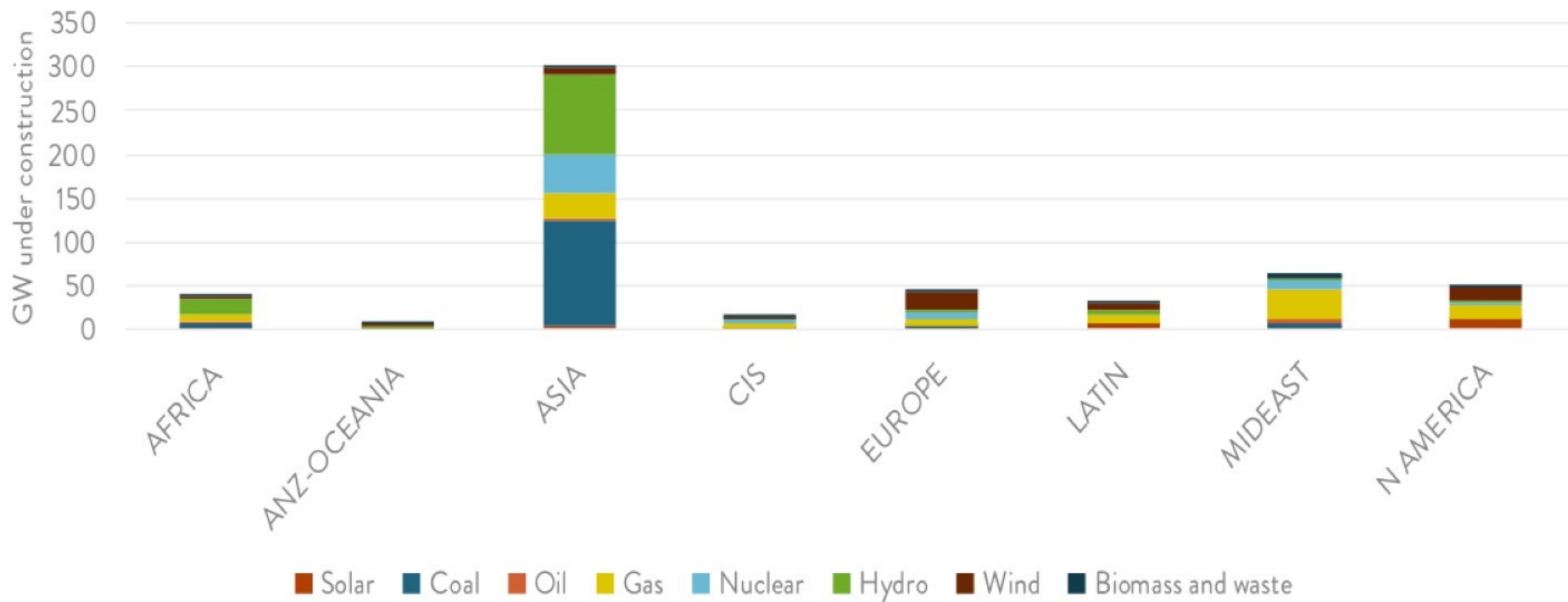




GLOBAL CAPACITY UNDER CONSTRUCTION (GW) ALL FUELS BY REGION

GW under construction - all fuels by region

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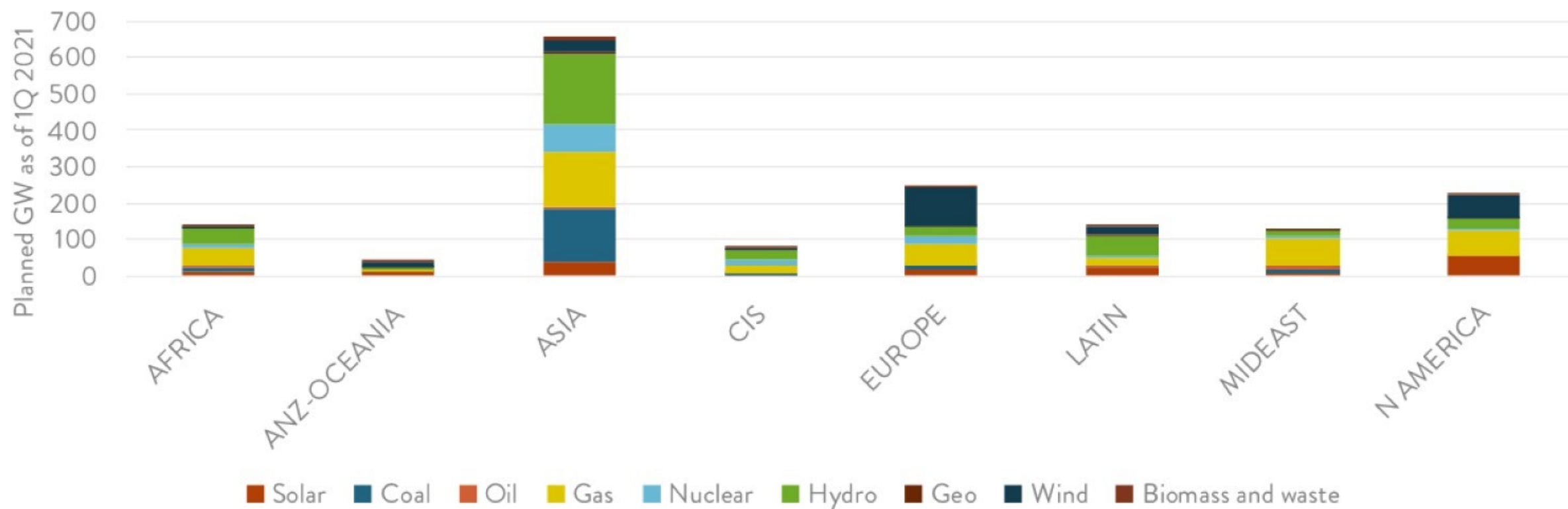




GLOBAL PLANNED CAPACITY (GW) ALL FUELS BY REGION

GW planned capacity all fuels by region

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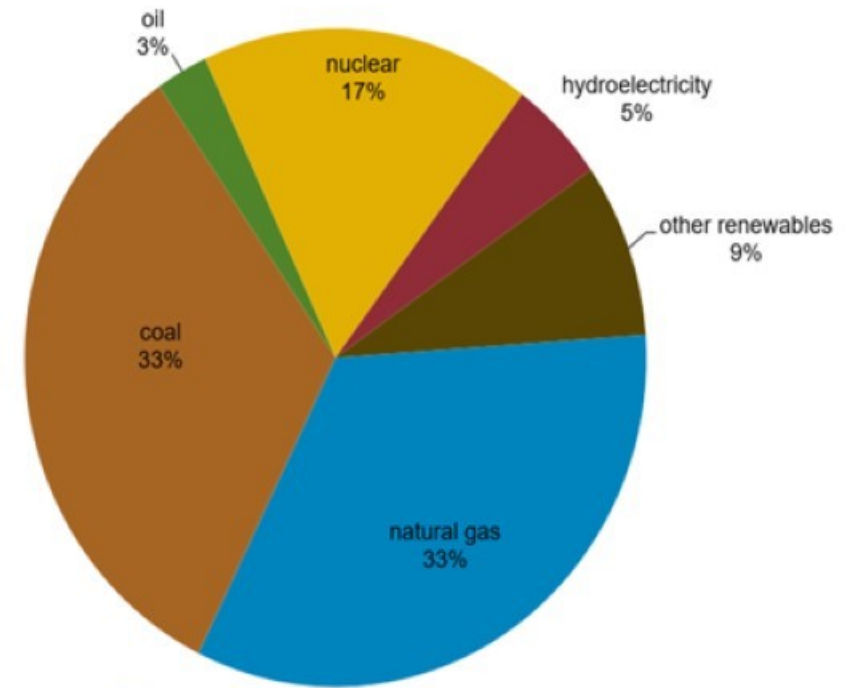




SOUTH KOREA CURRENT POWER CAPACITY AND FUTURE PLANS

- Current capacity some 530 GWe
- Will limit future nuclear options and reduce coal use
- Will increase use of gas and variable renewable energy
- Has been heavily subsidised introduction of biomass power plants but future opportunities are uncertain
- Only declared role so far for bioenergy is possible use of forestry residues to produce bio-ethanol

Figure 7. South Korea's installed electricity generating capacity by type, 2018

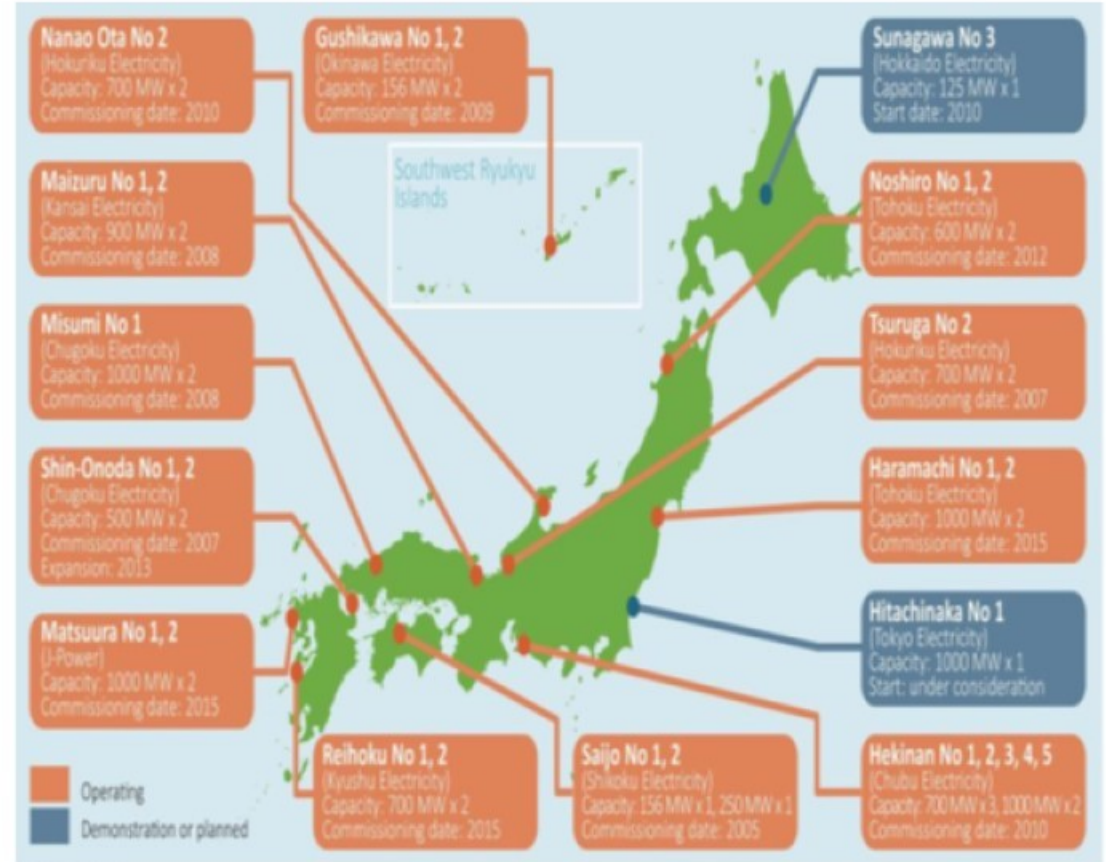


Source: International Energy Agency



JAPAN POWER SECTOR CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES

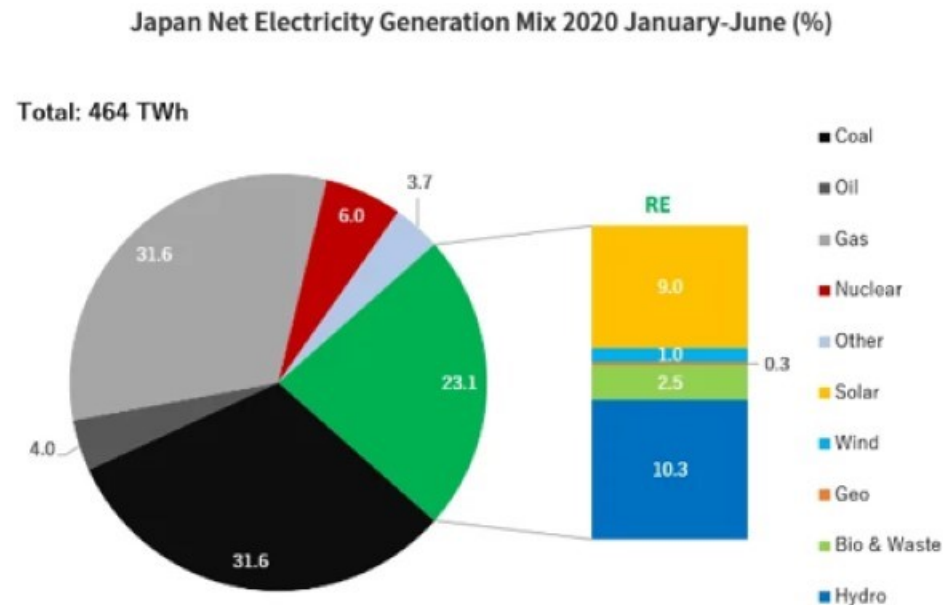
- Currently thermal fuels use is very significant
- Co firing of waste wood pellets has been extensive at various scales of operation
- Co-firing helps older plants meet national efficiency targets





JAPAN'S INTENDED 2030 POWER GENERATION SECTOR TRANSFORMATION

- Renewable energy increases to over 50% of capacity
- Coal cut back significantly, with older units being closed
- Introduction of hydrogen/ ammonia co-firing to lower carbon emissions
- Co-firing wood seen as a medium term measure
- Gas use limited to summer period
- Nuclear use maintained





BIOMASS PROSPECTS IN CHINA

- Avoid major pollution by using crop residues such as rice stalks, rice husks, corn stalks, as well as wood waste arising from logging and forest management
- Options have been introduced to gain useful energy from agricultural waste disposal, including cofiring in existing coal fired power plants.
- However, the State Government has not provided financial support to compensate for the low calorific value of the waste compared to coal. This has to date limited applications.





FURTHER CHINA POSSIBILITIES

- Interest in replacing coal with close to 100% biomass fired units but this would require major wood pellet import arrangements, which doesn't meet the government's current guidelines
- BECCS may be an interesting option but at present, given the disappointingly slow deployment of CCUS elsewhere, is not yet a viable way forward in Asia. That may change when China's CCUS demonstration project is completed successfully, which is led by Huaneng Power who have a justified reputation for engineering innovation



FURTHER OPPORTUNITIES IN ASIA (ZHANG 2019)

INDONESIA

- Indonesia has established mandatory plans to cofire biomass in 52 of its larger power stations as part of its efforts to phase out 100% unadulterated coal power plants. Estimates suggest 9 Mt/y coal savings by replacement with biomass
- Longer term, Indonesia plans to add CCUS to its coal/biomass cofired power plants, delivering negative carbon emissions

INDIA

- India's National Action Plan on Climate Change includes increasing the installed capacity of biomass power to 10 GW by 2022 from the current capacity of 4.4 GW

VIETNAM

- Substantial biomass resources comprising agricultural wastes, firewood and wood residues. Studies being undertaken but no firm plans



KEY TAKEAWAYS

- Opportunities for increased biomass addition in many Asian countries to offset coal use and achieve lower carbon emissions
- Associated opportunities to gain useful energy from agricultural wastes that otherwise cause significant health issues when burned in the fields in developing countries
- Drivers for implementation vary between developing nations and OECD countries
- In both cases, the key to successful implementation is the application of supporting financial policies and regulations



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