# **COGEN EUROPE**

#### Fit for 55 Package & Cogeneration



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### **Our Vision**

The cogeneration sector is committed to creating a resilient, decentralised, carbon neutral European energy system by 2050, with cogeneration as its backbone:



empowering European citizens and industry to generate their own efficient, reliable and affordable clean heat and power locally



bringing together heat, electricity and gas networks, allowing the efficient integration of substantial amounts of renewable energy and providing energy when and where needed



enabling an integrated energy system and a cost-effective transition towards a sustainable future



### Cogeneration

### Single Input Two Outputs



Cogeneration transforms 90% of the energy into useful heat and electricity for factories, offices, public buildings and homes.





#### **Overview of CHP in Europe**

### **CHP in Europe - Overview**

- 113 GWe of high efficiency CHP installed in
  2019
- CHP represents 12% of total electricity and ~14% of the heat in EU27, with potential for it to double by 2030
- CHP across the EU reduces up to 150 Mt of CO2 & ~30 Mtoe of primary energy today (equivalent to the emissions of ~90 million cars)

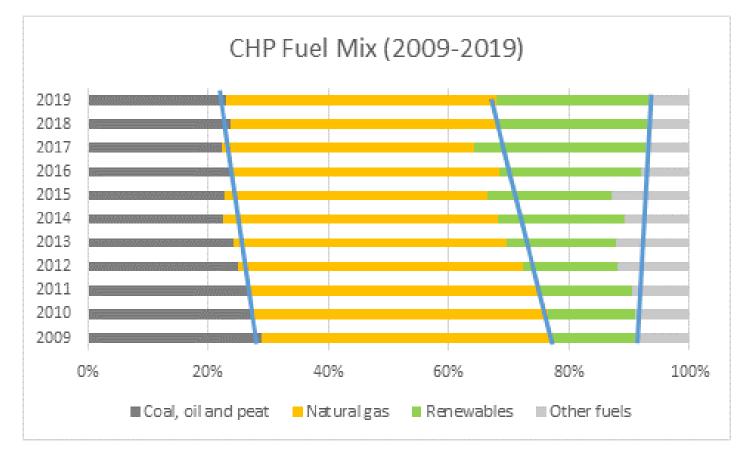
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CHP in EU27 (2009-2019)

- CHP share in total electricity generation (right axis)
- Source: Eurostat (2021)



### **Cogeneration Fuel Mix**



CHP fuel mix influenced by fuel price dynamics, support schemes and availability of renewable fuels at local level.

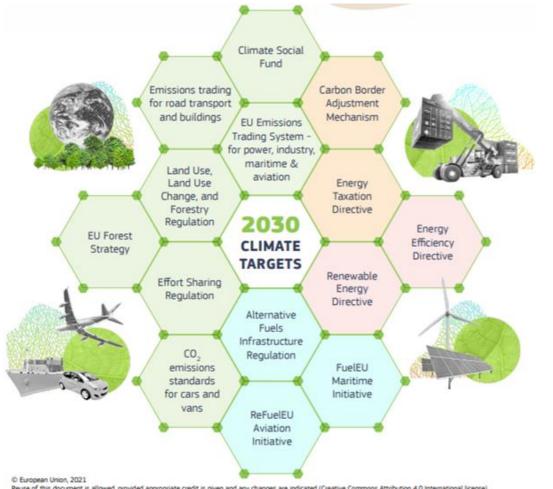
- Stable share of natural gas use in CHP.
- Rapid increase of RES, reaching close to 26% in 2019 (from 13% in 2009).
- Steady decline in solid fossil fuels and oil use in CHP.

Source: Eurostat (2021)



#### Fit for 55 Package

## Fit for 55: Overview



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### Fit for 55: COGEN Europe's Positions

#### Mainstream Energy Efficiency First Principle

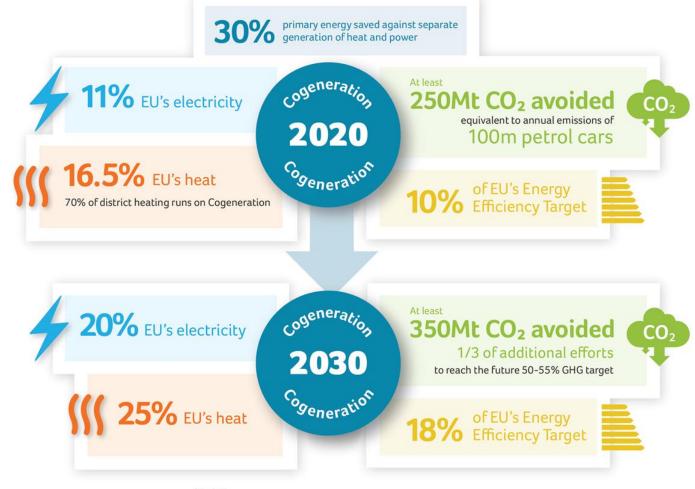
Foster the Efficiency, Availability and Affordability of Renewable Energy

Unlock Energy Flexibility, Security and Resiliency

Accelerate Predictable and Cost-effective Emission Reductions Create a Stable Framework for Green Investments



## **CHP's Contribution to Fit for 55**



Sources Latest EU statistics and EU funded CODE2 project on the Cogeneration potential in 2030

#### REPowerEU

### **Concrete Steps to Deliver REPowerEU**

Take an <u>integrated systems' approach</u> to maximise energy efficiency, flexibility and renewables across all energy vectors, systems and technologies:

- Accelerate the uptake of <u>renewable gases and H2 in all sectors</u> to ensure they become affordable sooner;
- Promote system flexibility thorough efficient gas use in DHC and buildings; and
- Prioritise only smart electrification, where feasible with renewable and efficient power, to avoid increasing gas use upstream.

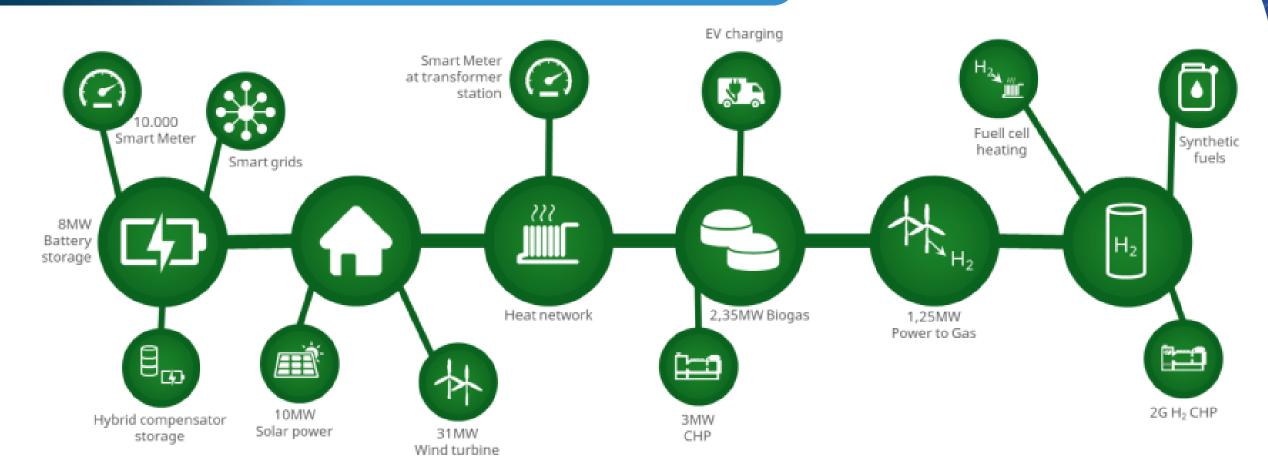
Focus on both demand side efficiency and efficiency of supply, to reduce energy waste in energy production, transmission, distribution and final use:

- EU's power-only plants waste ~200 Mtoe of heat through cooling towers. Recovering that heat via CHP would be sufficient to cover all of EU's heat demand in buildings (~195 Mtoe); and
- Example: Installing 6 GW of CHP per year in Germany, would reduce its dependence on gas imports by 10%.

Diversify gas supply, with a priority for their efficient use and locally produced renewable gases/H2:

- Valuable gas should be used with priority in efficient CHP, ensuring the optimal output of flexible power for the grids and efficient heat for DHC, industrial and residential consumers: and
- Separate use of gas in power-only plants and gas boilers should be allowed only when CHP is technically not feasible.

#### **Best Practice: CHP Completes the System Integration Chain (Haßfurt, Germany)**



Source: 2G, 2021. Energy transition: Hydrogen CHP completes storage chain



#### **Cogeneration in 2050**

#### **CHP: Beneficial to Consumers in All Sectors**

CHP enables the **most energy-efficient** & **cost-effective** pathways to decarbonisation in a **consumer-empowering** way.



#### **220 TWH** OF PRIMARY ENERGY SAVINGS

OR 2.5 x annual electricity consumption of Belgium\*

**5.5 MT** OF REMAINING CO<sub>2</sub> EMISSIONS AVOIDED OR Annual CO<sub>2</sub> emissions of 3 million petrol cars

8.2 BN € SAVED YEARLY OR 9.5 x of LIFE Climate Action funding



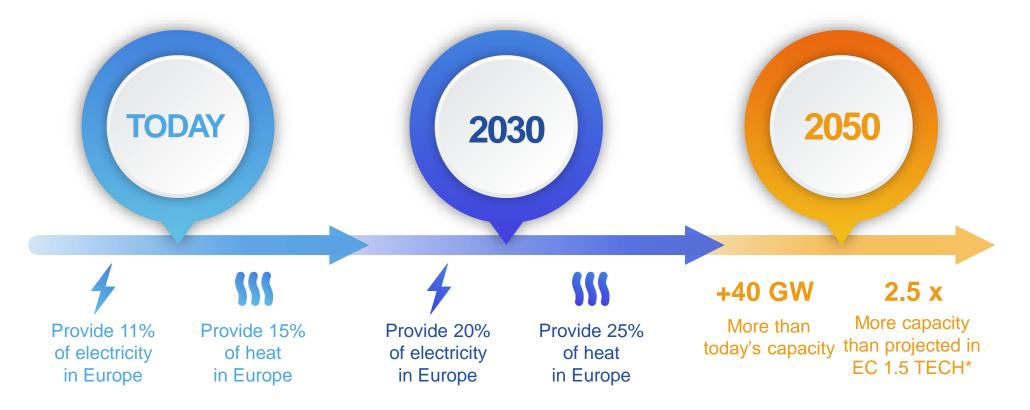
\* IEA 2019



## **Our Call to Action**

An **ambitious and predictable regulatory framework** must be set in place to fully reap the benefits of cogeneration for citizens, businesses and the energy system between now and 2050.

Prioristise cogeneration for all thermally generated heat and power, to avoid wasting valuable energy.





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