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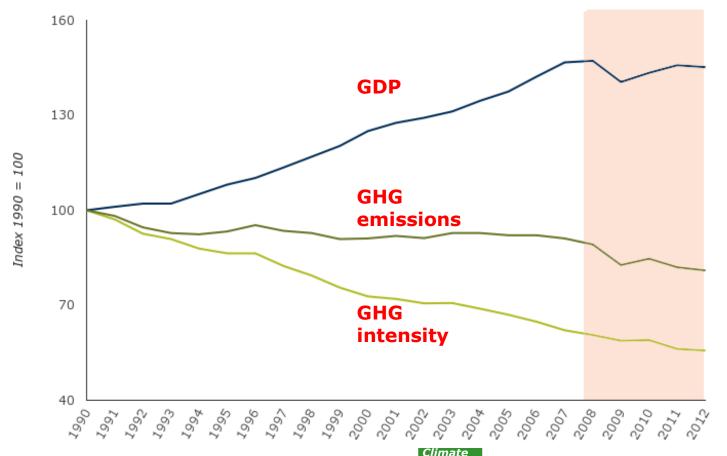
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EU greenhouse gas emissions have reduced while GDP increased



Over the period 1990-2012:

- ✓ GDP grew by more than 44%
- ✓ while GHG emissions decreased by 19%
- ✓ GHG intensity reduced by almost half



Carbon pricing and European carbon market

- Latest report from the UN Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change: importance of putting a price on carbon to help limit the increase in global mean temperature
- World Bank: "Carbon pricing is the most efficient and cost effective means of reducing emission"
- In 2014, about 40 national and over 20 sub-national jurisdictions have already implemented or scheduled emissions trading schemes or carbon taxes



EU Emissions Trading System since 2005:

- Created EU-wide price signal
- Covers some 11000 installations
- Liquid market with growing volumes

Source: Bloomberg New Energy Finance

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Substantially improved architecture as of phase 3 (agreed 2008, starting in 2013)

The EU ETS is working well from a technical point of view

Starting last year, it saw a major overhaul

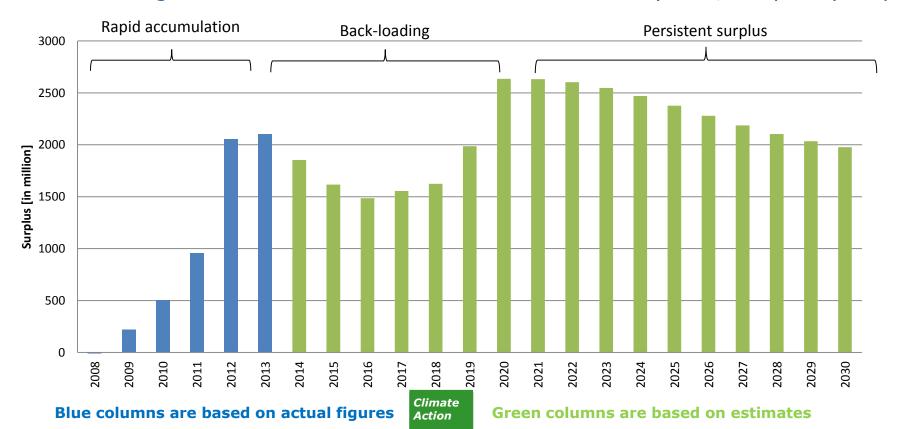
- √ Cap-setting is an EU process
- ✓ Auctions are a daily routine
- √ Harmonised free allocation to industry and carbon leakage provisions
- √ Single registry is operational
- ✓ Rules for recognising international credits
- ✓ Improved protection against fraud (allowances covered by new MiFID)
- ✓ Use of ETS revenue to fund clean energy project across the EU, including carbon capture and storage (€2.2 billion for projects in 20 Member States)





Then came the recession – and the structural reform debate

- Large and persistent market imbalance
- Back-loading of auction volumes started in March: but only first, temporary step





Market stability reserve: Operation



Annual publication of total number of allowances in circulation – starting May 2017





Market stability reserve: Architecture

- Introduction at the start of phase 4 of the EU ETS in 2021
 - To provide regulatory certainty during phase 3 and give market participants lead-time before the rule changes applies
- The reserve is rule-based no leeway for discretion in implementation
- No need for new institutions or new data fully embedded in existing framework
- Captures all changes in demand, including due to interaction with complementary policies
- Due to its automatic nature early review of key parameters in 2026
- At the end of each trading period, allowances held in the reserve are carried forward
- Does not affect free allocation to industry





Expert meeting on technical aspects

- Took place on 25 June 2014
- Purpose: to present third party expert analyses on the design and expected impact of the market stability reserve in order to inform discussions at this European Parliament and Council.
- Notes:
 - Views of the market experts (not necessarily those of the Commission or all stakeholders).
 - Views not necessarily fully consensual.

Main outcomes:

- Market stability reserve step in the right direction
- Expected to support future carbon price signal, with less volatility
- Simple and clear rules are needed for governance (non-discretionary)
- Broad support for "total number of allowances in circulation" as a basis
- Agree hedging needs will decrease in future
- Support for earlier implementation and/or placing 900 million back-loaded allowances straight into reserve

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Other ETS related elements of the 2030 framework: Linear reduction factor determining the cap

Current linear reduction factor of 1.74%



Proposed 40% greenhouse gas emissions reduction target



Linear reduction factor of 2.2%

- Not part of the legal proposal for the reserve
- Insufficient to reduce the imbalance in the mid-term





Other ETS related elements of 2030 framework: Containing the risk of carbon leakage

Stable framework for this decade

Carbon leakage list (for 2015 to 2019) with the current criteria and assumptions

Continued but more focused free allocation after 2020, complemented with innovation support

Consultation on how best to take into account the competitiveness concerns of industry





Next steps

- Most important is to have a decision as early as possible on the reserve;
- Reserve is a "no regret" measure independently of how the 2030 framework rules will look like;



- European Parliament:
 - 1st exchange of views in ENVI Committee in March
 - Mr Ivo Belet (EPP) appointed as the new rapporteur
 - Work said to continue in autumn
- Council: Environment Working Party on the subject taking place right now

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Thank you

More information, including on the expert meeting: ec.europa.eu/clima/policies/ets/reform/documentation_en.htm

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