# Energy Transition and Renewable Energy

Energy transition, Industrial developments, legal issues and outlook



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## Agenda

Overview of the Asia Pacific Energy Market and energy transition

Investor viewpoint - the developed markets of Asia Pacific

The view from China

Major trends in the wider Asia Pacific region



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# Tim Rockell Energy Strat Asia Pte Ltd Overview of the Asia Pacific Energy Market and Energy Transition

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Fellow of the Energy Institute, UK, 2020

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Member and Diploma holder of Chartered Institute of Marketing, Cookham, UK, 1992

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#### **Biography**

Tim founded Energy Strat Asia in 2019 to support specialist energy services and technology companies innovate, develop and grow in Singapore and Southeast Asia.

He spent over two decades in KPMG establishing and building the Energy & Natural Resources practice as Global Executive Director. He came to Singapore in 2012 and has relationships with international and national energy companies, government, regulators, industry bodies, academia and financial players.

Industry sector roles include:

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Tim has strong interest in urban infrastructure development, mobility and energy transition pathways. He has project experience in strategy, risk, M&A advisory and management consulting.

He is a regular participant at the Singapore Energy Summit at the Singapore International Energy Week, hosting the regulatory session in 2019 and the Low Carbon Economy panel session and COP26 ThinkTank Roundtable in 2020 and Regional Interconnectivity, Technology, Asian Downstream Summit and COP26 ThinkTank Roundtables in 2021.

Tim moderated the ASEAN energy dialogue series with the International Energy Agency's Executive Director. He is a regular panellist on diversity & inclusion roundtables.





## AGENDA

- APAC Overview
- Headlines
- Solar Energy Trend
- Wind Energy Trend
- Energy Storage Trend
- Electric Vehicle Trend
- Summary of key trends





#### **ASEAN Energy Outlook 2050**

## ASEAN DEEPER DIVE

In line with rapid economic growth, energy demand in the region is expected to triple by 2050 under the Baseline Scenario. Total final energy consumption (TFEC) is expected to reach 473.1 Mtoe in 2025 and 1,281.7 Mtoe in 2050.

• Fossil fuels are projected to continue to supply most of the regional energy demand, with oil accounting for 47.4% of TFEC, followed by electricity (20.3%), coal (14.5%), and bioenergy (9.2%).

• Cooking and cooling will remain the primary energy use in the residential sector, making up about 80% of the sector's demand.

• Petroleum remains the primary energy source in the transport sector (accounting for 91% of sectoral energy consumption in 2050), and transport remains one of the highest energy-consuming sectors in the region.

The Total Primary Energy Supply (TPES) is expected to grow by a factor of about 3.7, from 653 Mtoe in 2020 to 2,648 Mtoe in 2050.

• Natural gas, oil and coal dominate the region's energy supply, accounting for about 88% of TPES in 2050, leaving renewables at 11.9%. In the medium term, without policy interventions, the region is projected to reach renewable energy (RE) share of only 14.4% of the TPES by 2025, little changed from the 2020 value of 14.2% and falling short of the APAEC RE target (23% of the TPES by 2025).

Without significant discoveries or additions to existing production infrastructure and with the expected rate of utilisation of fossil fuels, ASEAN is projected to become a net importer of natural gas by 2025 and coal by 2039.

- ASEAN electricity generation is expected to increase threefold by 2050 from the 2020 level, reaching 3,388 TWh in
- nat year. Electricity generation capacity reaches 959 GW in 2050 and consists mainly of coal (33.8%), natural gas (6.1%), and hydropower (21.6%), following the region's historical dispatch.







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#### RECENT ACTIVITIES

Singapore has formally launched its national hydrogen strategy on 25th October 2022 as the low-carbon fuel that could meet 50% of Singapore's power needs by 2050 - SIEW 2022

#### SOUTHEAST ASIA'S LARGEST ENERGY STORAGE SYSTEM OPENS ON JURONG ISLAND IN PUSH FOR SOLAR POWER Channel News Asia, 2 Feb 2023

- Its rapid response time to store and supply power in milliseconds is essential in mitigating solar intermittency caused by changing weather conditions in Singapore's tropical climate
- Singapore aims to increase solar capacity to at least 2 gigawatt-peak (2 GWp) by 2030, equivalent to powering about 350,000 households a year

#### Vietnam in talks with Sembcorp to build power line linking to Singapore

#### Reuters, 10 Feb 2023

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- Sembcorp Utilities and a unit of Vietnam's state oil firm PetroVietnam on Friday also reached an agreement to develop offshore wind projects to export electricity to Singapore, the government said in a statement, without elaborating.
- PetroVietnam said the agreement would pave the way for the companies to develop wind farms with a combined capacity of 2.3 gigawatts by 2030.





#### RECENT ACTIVITIES

## RENEWABLE ENERGY: WHAT CHINA IS DOING ON SOLAR AND WIND POWER STORAGE TO SECURE SUPPLY AMID WEATHER CHALLENGES

#### South China Morning Post, 29 Jan 2023

- China is fast-tracking its wind and solar capacity in the current five-year plan ending 2025, likely to hit its 2030 target ahead of time
- Focus on developing Long Energy Duration Storage (LDES) capabilities to cope with fluctuation in energy production due to climate change

#### INDIA'S GREEN ENERGY FOCUS IN SYNC WITH ONGOING G20 PRESIDENCY

#### The Economic Times, 4 Feb 2023

- The government announced an outlay of USD 250m for the recently launched National Hydrogen Green Mission
- It has a target of the annual production of 500 MMT (5 million metric tonnes) of green hydrogen by 2030
- India Energy Week News, 7 Feb 2023
- Modi: India's rising prowess as an energy transition powerhouse officially launched E20 a 20% blend of ethanol with petrol







## **TRENDS IN APAC**

#### SOLAR ENERGY

Figure 1.25 Asia Pacific renewable capacity additions by technology, 2010-2027 (left) and annual capacity additions by country, 2019-2027 (right)



Renewable capacity in the Asia Pacific region (excluding China) is expected to grow by 360 GW (+70%) over 2022-2027.

Solar PV accounts for over twothirds of renewable deployment.

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## **TRENDS IN APAC**

The offshore wind market is expected to grow significantly, with the Asia–Pacific region showing the greatest long-term growth potential.



Note: APAC includes OECD Asia–Pacific and non-OECD Asia; EMEA includes OECD Europe, Eurasia, Middle East, and Africa; Americas includes OECD Americas and Latin America.

McKinsey's view on current path of energy transition without major shifts in production and consumption compared to today.

<sup>2</sup> McKinsey's view on an accelerated energy transition, including several conceivable shifts in production and consumption compared to today. <sup>3</sup> Capacity decrease due to forecasted decommissions.

Source: McKinsey Global Energy Perspective 2021



Source: McKinsey and Co

The Asia–Pacific region (APAC), which had 11 GW of installed offshore wind in 2020, is projected to strongly increase its capacity, surpassing Europe, the Middle East, and Africa (EMEA) by the mid-2030s



## Offshore Wind Overview| APAC

#### **Key Countries**

#### Taiwan:

5.5GW by 2025, 15.5GW by 2035

- Local content rules for Round 3 tender: 60%
- 9 projects awaiting EIA to take part, results 2023

#### Japan:

**10 GW by 2030, 30-45GW by 2040** - Third auction launched Happo-Noshiro, 356MW

#### South Korea:

#### 12GW by 2030

- Large early-stage pipeline

- Floating drive from international players

#### Vietnam:

5GW by 2030

- Target expected to increase



Asia-Pacific Capacity Pipeline up to 2030 (excluding China)

## **TRENDS IN APAC**

#### ENERGY STORAGE

Source: IEA



is forecast to expand over the next few years.

Installed storage capacity in APAC

The main driver is the increasing need for system flexibility and storage to fully utilise and integrate larger shares of variable renewable energy (VRE) into power systems.

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## TRENDS IN APAC

#### ELECTRIC VEHICLES

Production of electric four-wheelers (E4Ws) is forecast to grow at a robust rate of 45 percent in emerging Asia.

E4W production in selected countries, thousands of vehicles



Source: IHS Markit Light Vehicle Powertrain and Alternative Propulsion Forecast Model; McKinsey analysis

In emerging Asia, production of E4Ws will pick up rapidly. Thailand and Indonesia are already major regional automotive production hubs in ASEAN. E4W production will scale rapidly from low levels to a significant share in these markets, growing at

Source: HIS and McKinsey and Co



#### RENEWABLE ENERGY APAC

## SUMMARY OF KEY TRENDS

#### 1

Installed capacity for Solar and Wind energy will continue to rise Fossil fuels won't disappear

#### 2

Energy storage development and capacity will continue to rise. Grid connectivity increasing

#### 3

Electric vehicle production and adoption rates are forecast to increase. Charging Networks pace an issue

#### 4 Greater shift of Electricity generation from renewable energy sources including biofuels and hydrogen





# Maree Myerscough Aquila Capital Renewables Asia Investor viewpoint - the developed markets of Asia Pacific





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Aquila Capital is an investment and asset development company focused on generating and managing essential assets on behalf of its clients.

## Asia Pacific: Target markets



## The clean energy technologies we invest in APAC



Tabernas solar park, Spain

Desfina Wind farm, Greece

Kairos Battery Energy Storage System, Belgium

## Challenges & Trends



Grid connectivity & infrastructure



## Hybrid solutions





### **Regulatory environment**



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# The view from China

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## **China Renewable Energies**

-Opportunities in the Context of Climate Change and Energy Transition

### • The Rise of Renewable Energy in China

- The Latest RE Statistics
- RE Industry Market Change Trends
- Challenges Facing the Renewable Energy Industry

### • Opportunities in the Context of Climate Change and Energy Transition

- China Ambitious Carbon Emission Reduction Goals and Action Plans
- Renewable Energy as China's Development Strategy
- Industrial Opportunities of Renewable Energies
- New Opportunities for Legal Professionals



## The Rise of Renewable Energy in China



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## **Renewable Energy Developments in China**

#### New installed capacity in 2022: 152GW

-Photovoltaic: 87.41GW -Wind: 37.63GW -Hydropower: 15.95GW -Biomass:3.34GW

## RE: 1213 GW, 47.3%

Including:

Wind power **365 GW** 

Photovoltaic power 393 GW

Hydropower 413 GW(conventional 368GW, pump45GW)

Biomass power 41 GW

Installed capacity





## China RE Electricity Generated Accounts for 31.60% at 2.7T KWh in 2022





# Renewable Energy Installed Capacity in China between 2016-2022





## Years China Being the World Leader of RE (as in 2020)



## China RE Industrial Market Change Trends

**1.** The RE market becomes more competitive and concentrated, but new comers are entering one after another

2. Installed capacity has been increasing while M&A became more active recently

3. More RE investments from traditional energy enterprises (such as coal power to solar power)

4. The energy strorage technology is developing fast but CCUS needs more time to go

**5.** Stepping into the age of normal feed-in tariffs

**6.** Benefit by manufacturing and engineering constructuring capacity, Chinese RE investors participated in glabal RE market aggrresively

Solar panels, wind turbines and gearboxes account for 70% of global market value; carbon reduction reaches 2.26 bn tons driving foreign emission reduction of 573 M tons accounting for 41% of world carbon reduction -NEA News release Jan13, 2023



## **Challenges Facing China RE Industry**

#### -from regulator's perspective



## Major Risks That Should Keep Alert by RE Investors in China



subsidies & feed-in tariffs



Approval & filing, RE development plan & list of subsidy coverage



Limited land access, ecological red line, natural reserves



### The '3060' Goals

#### --Reaching peak emissions before 2030 and trying carbon neutrality by 2060

By the end of 2025, non-fossil energy consumption shall be around 20%;

Carbon peaks at 2030: carbon dioxides emissions decrease more than 65% per capita as compared with that of 2005; non-fossil energy consumption shall be around 25%; wind and solar power installation capacity shall be more than 1.2bn Kw

Carbon neutral at 2060: Non-fossil energy consumption shall be more than 80 percent.



## The 14th Five-Year Plan for Renewable Energy Development

#### • Total renewable energy

• total renewable energy consumption will reach about 1 billion tons of standard coal by 2025. Renewable energy accounted for more than 50% of the increase in primary energy consumption

#### • Renewable energy power generation target

• by 2025, the annual power generation of renewable energy will reach about 3.3 trillion kWh. The increment of renewable energy power generation shall account for more than 50% of the increment of electricity consumption of the whole society, and the power generation of wind power and solar energy shall be doubled

#### • Renewable energy power consumption target

- in 2025, the national total renewable energy power consumption responsibility weight will reach about 33%, the renewable energy power non-hydropower consumption responsibility weight will reach about 18%
- Non-electric utilization target of renewable energy
  - in 2025, the scale of non-electric utilization such as geothermal energy heating, biomass heating, biomass fuel and solar energy thermal utilization will reach more than 60 million tons of standard coal

## **Renewable Energy Development Promotion Policy**

No.	Date	Name	Main Content
1	Published 2021.10.21	The 14th Five-Year Plan for Renewable Energy Development	<ul> <li>III. To optimize the mode of development and develop renewable energy on a large scale</li> <li>1. To promote the development of wind and photovoltaic power generation base</li> <li>2. To promote distributed development of wind power and photovoltaic power generation</li> <li>3. To promote the integrated development of water, wind and solar comprehensive bases</li> <li>4. To steadily promote the diversified development of biomass energy</li> <li>5. To actively promote large-scale development of geothermal energy</li> <li>6. To steadily advance the demonstration development of Marine energy</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>WI. Supporting measures</li> <li>1. To improve the evaluation and service system for renewable energy resources</li> <li>2. To strengthen land and environmental support for renewable energy</li> <li>3. To strengthen fiscal policy support for renewable energy</li> <li>4. To improve the green finance system for renewable energy</li> </ul>



## **Supportive Measures for RE Industrial Developments**

- Renewal energy enjoys various supports and subsidies from the government
- For wind power, solar power, biomass and other renewable projects, owners of the projects may obtain price subsidies, land acquisition supports and discounts, cash grants, tax deductions, etc.
- The NDRC at the central government level recently issued three policy guidelines, respective on the price and price subsidies for wind power (2019), solar power (2019) and new energy in general (2021). Many provincial governments have their own support and subsidy policy.
- Carbon emission rights trading and other carbon finance tools will play more important role in promoting RE development







## **New Opportunities for Legal Professionals**

- New technology and new financing required for the renewable energy industry: photovoltaic, wind power, smart grid, energy storage technology, etc.
- New investments and new M&A in the renewable energy industry: The rush of the SOEs to march into renewable energy industries
- Structuring and qualifying programs for attaining subsidies
- ESG disclosure
- China outbound investments in RE industry



### New Opportunities for Legal Professionals (cont'd) --Carbon Finance

Capping carbon emission for Key Emission Sectors:

-power generation, building materials, steel, non-ferrous metal, petro-chemical, chemical, paper mill, and civil aviation

Capping carbon emission for Key Emission Entities (KEEs)

KEEs are allowed to purchase CER to offset a maximum of 5% carbon emissions

Seven carbon credits trading markets established

Trading of Green Power Certificates also available





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# Nick Dingemans Penningtons Manches Cooper Major trends in the wider Asia Pacific region



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## Key Trends

- Energy Trilemma
- Approach to Net Zero
- Carbon Markets
- Hydrogen Economy
- Carbon Capture and Storage



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# **Energy Trilemma**

"...the need to find balance between energy reliability, affordability, and sustainability and its impact on everyday lives...

...the challenges faced by businesses, organisations and individuals in balancing these 3 core elements is vital to achieving goals such as Net Zero."

- Reliability:
  - Security of supply
  - Impact of Ukraine
- Affordability:
  - A just transition
  - Cost of Energy
- Sustainability:
  - Impact of decisions made for Reliability and Affordability on ESG
  - Long term ability to supply

# Paris Agreement and Net Zero Legal Commitments



Indonesia:	Malaysia:	Singapore:
2060	2050	2050 (Policy
(Declaration)	(Declaration)	Document)
China: 2060 (Policy Document)	Vietnam: 2050 (Declaration)	India: 2070 (Declaration)

CONCLUSIONS:

Energy Transition will accelerate as intent terms to legal certainty

Legal Status of Net Zero Commitments likely to become binding legal commitments

Business must start its own transition

# **Carbon Markets**

From 1 Jan 2023 EU effectively established a carbon border tax with addition of Shipping and Aviation to its Emissions Trading Scheme (Cap and Trade scheme)



Permit price was Euro 100.69 (approx. USD 107.62) per tonne.



- Singapore (Industrial facilities): Carbon Pricing Act – set price at SGD 5 per tonne with progressive increases to S\$50-80 per tonne by 2030
- China (Power): launched is ETS in July 2021.Market price moved from 48 CNY/t (~USD7) to a maximum of 61 CNY/t (~USD8.90).
- Malaysia: No carbon tax/ETS. Voluntary market established in 2022.
- Indonesia: No market at this stage. Tax of USD 2.10 per tonne (Coal fired power). Legislation being discussed for carbon price and markets.
- Vietnam: Law enacted. Market priced ETS from 2025
- India: No Carbon price. Empowering legislation enacted December 2022. Market to commence during 2023

# Why Hydrogen?



- Hydrogen does not exist freely in nature and is only produced from other sources of energy, it is known as an energy carrier.
- It is a clean-burning fuel, and when combined with oxygen in a fuel cell, hydrogen produces heat and electricity with only water vapor as a by-product.
- Hydrogen can be used to decarbonise industrial process that are hard to decarbonise by electrification or other means
- The hydrogen rainbow is a handy tool, used within the energy industry, which can be used to decipher the kaleidoscope of hydrogen sources based on the production used and the emissions created in the process.

# Hydrogen Value Chain



- Hydrogen can be locally produced (e.g. Green Hydrogen from renewable power; Blue Hydrogen from hydrocarbons with CCUS; Pink hydrogen from nuclear power).
- Many Countries now have a Hydrogen Strategy:
  - China; Korea; Japan; Australia; New Zealand; Singapore
  - Use case for Hydrogen rapidly developing in mobility (fork lifts and long distance trucking), industry (cement, fertiliser), shipping (ammonia) and aviation (AirBus Hy 2035 plan)
- Development of a hydrogen economy needs new infrastructure; new markets and new regulations



## Carbon Capture Utilisation and Storage



- CCUS provides a physical tool to reduce carbon emissions (e.g. CO2 from Power) and also to support Direct Air Capture
- Capture Carbon at source + Utilise OR Store (sequester) permanently in delete petroleum reservoirs or saline aquifers
- Market:
  - Carbon price creates the financial incentive to reduce emissions
  - Ability to earn and sell Carbon Credits through abatement is further incentive
- Cross Border CCUS: creates many potential issues. Regulatory framework and a cross border treaty required
- Regulatory Certain needed for Cross Border structures:
  - London Protocol
  - Impact on NDC on each state
  - Monitoring, Verification and Report
  - Liability Regime
  - Fiscal Stability



First commercial Direct Air Capture Plant (DAC) in Iceland



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