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Walking out of a pandemic and into an energy crisis

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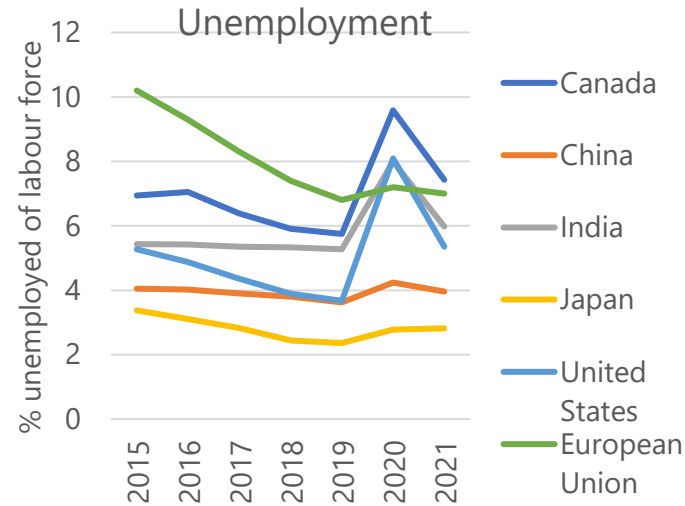
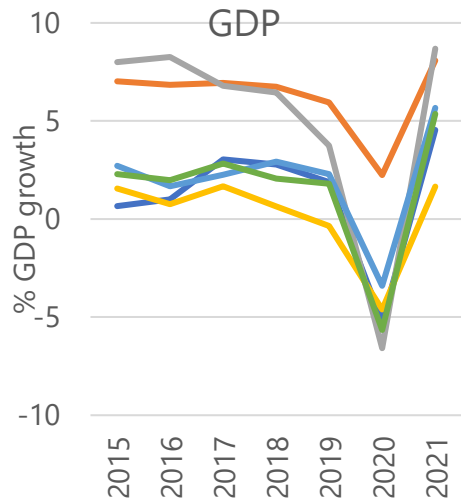


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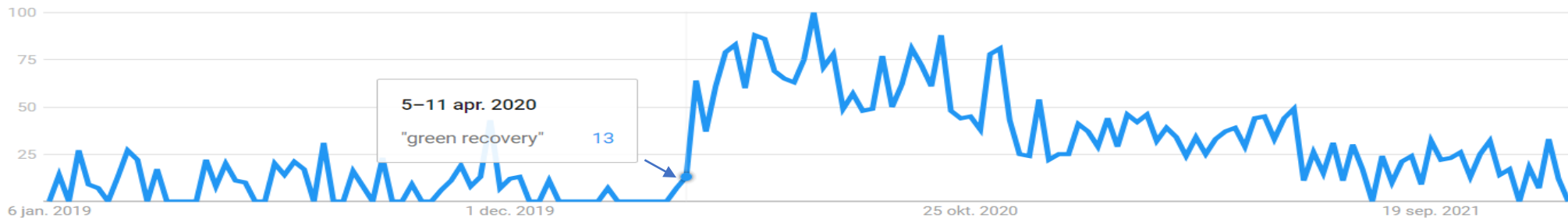
- Introduction on COVID-19 green recovery packages
- Methodological approach
- Impacts of recovery packages throughout the globe
- Deep-dive into EU green recovery portfolios



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“Green recovery” Google search term



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NEXT GENERATION EU

For a more digital and green generation



GRANTS **€ 750 billion**

€672.5 billion
Recovery and Resilience Facility

37% of the Recovery and Resilience Facility will go to **Green Deal** objectives.

€47.5 billion
React EU

€7.5 billion
Rural development

€10 billion
Just transition Fund

€1.9 billion
RescEU

€5 billion
Horizon Europe

€5.6 billion
InvestEU

20% of the fund will go to the **Digitalization of Europe** and 30% will be obtained through green **bonds**.

Source: [OECD Green Recovery Database \(2022\)](#)

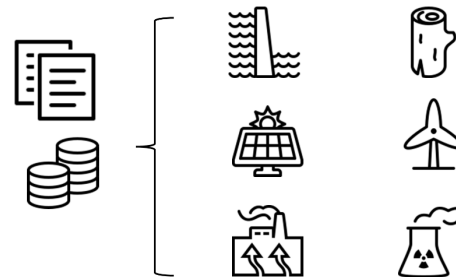
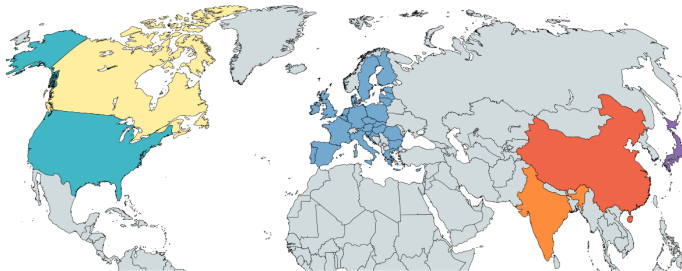


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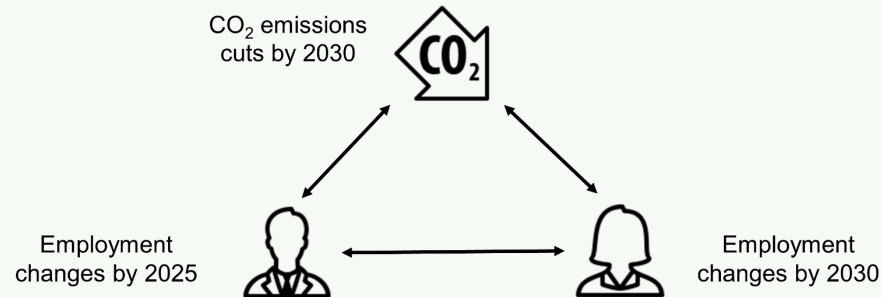
Announced COVID recovery packages towards clean energy projects

From six major emitters: Canada, China, EU (including the UK), India, Japan, USA

Clean energy technologies: PV, CSP, onshore and offshore wind, geothermal, nuclear, biomass, hydro, biofuels



Optimal allocation of recovery packages in terms of:



Model	Model type	Temporal solution dynamic	Technology choice mechanism	Technology dispatch	Technology representation ^b									
					Solar PV	Solar CSP	Onshore wind	Offshore wind	Geothermal	Nuclear	Biomass	Hydropower	Biofuels	
TIAM-Grantham	Partial equilibrium	Inter-temporal optimisation	Winner-takes-it-all	Flexible capacity factors	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		
GCAM-PR	Partial equilibrium	Recursive dynamic	Logit choice	Constant capacity factors	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓
GEMINI-E3	Computable general equilibrium	Recursive dynamic	Nested CES function	Constant capacity factors	✓		✓					✓		

- Current policies scenario as baseline in all three models (Sognaes et al 2021):
 - The most relevant pre-pandemic national energy and climate policies explicitly modelled
 - “Fixing in” policies before applying additional recovery subsidies (e.g. ETS Price)

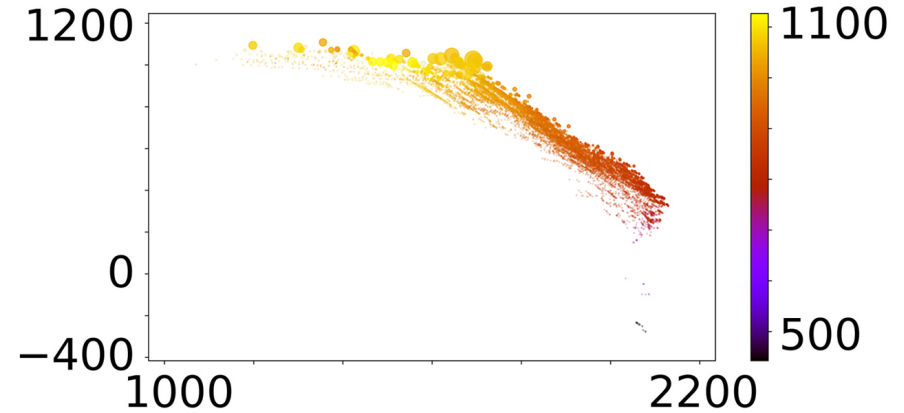
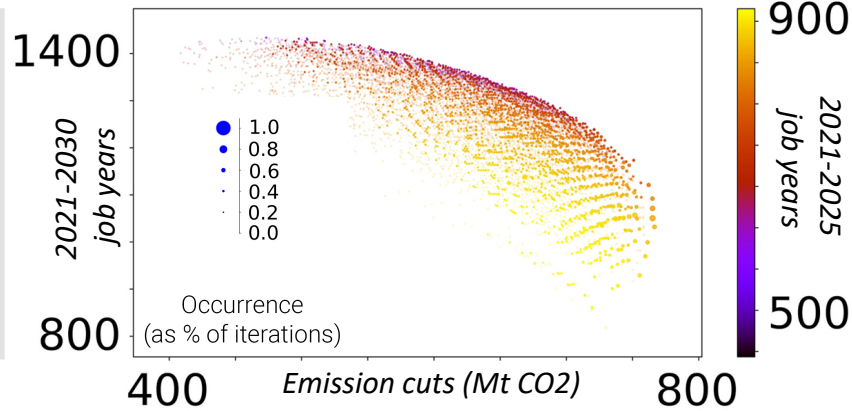
→ Assures CO₂ and energy impacts of subsidies entirely additional to pre-pandemic policies



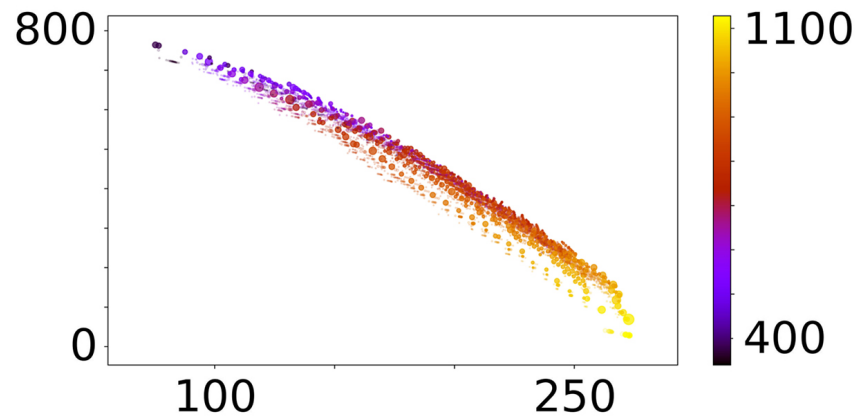
(i) GCAM

(ii) TIAM

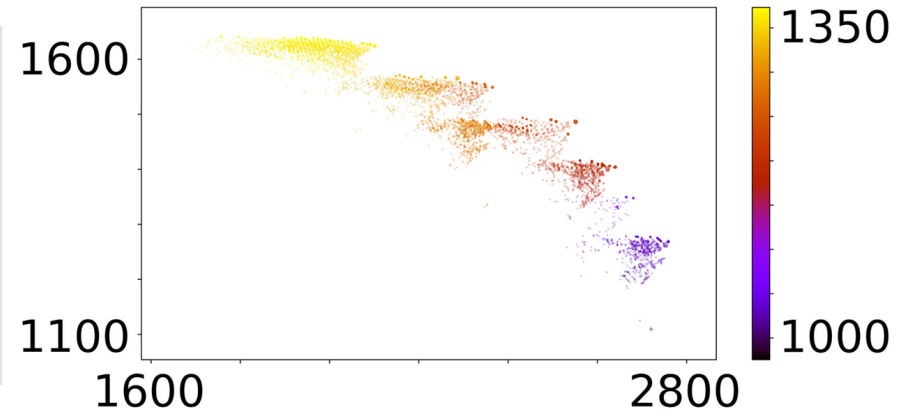
(a) EU



(b) China

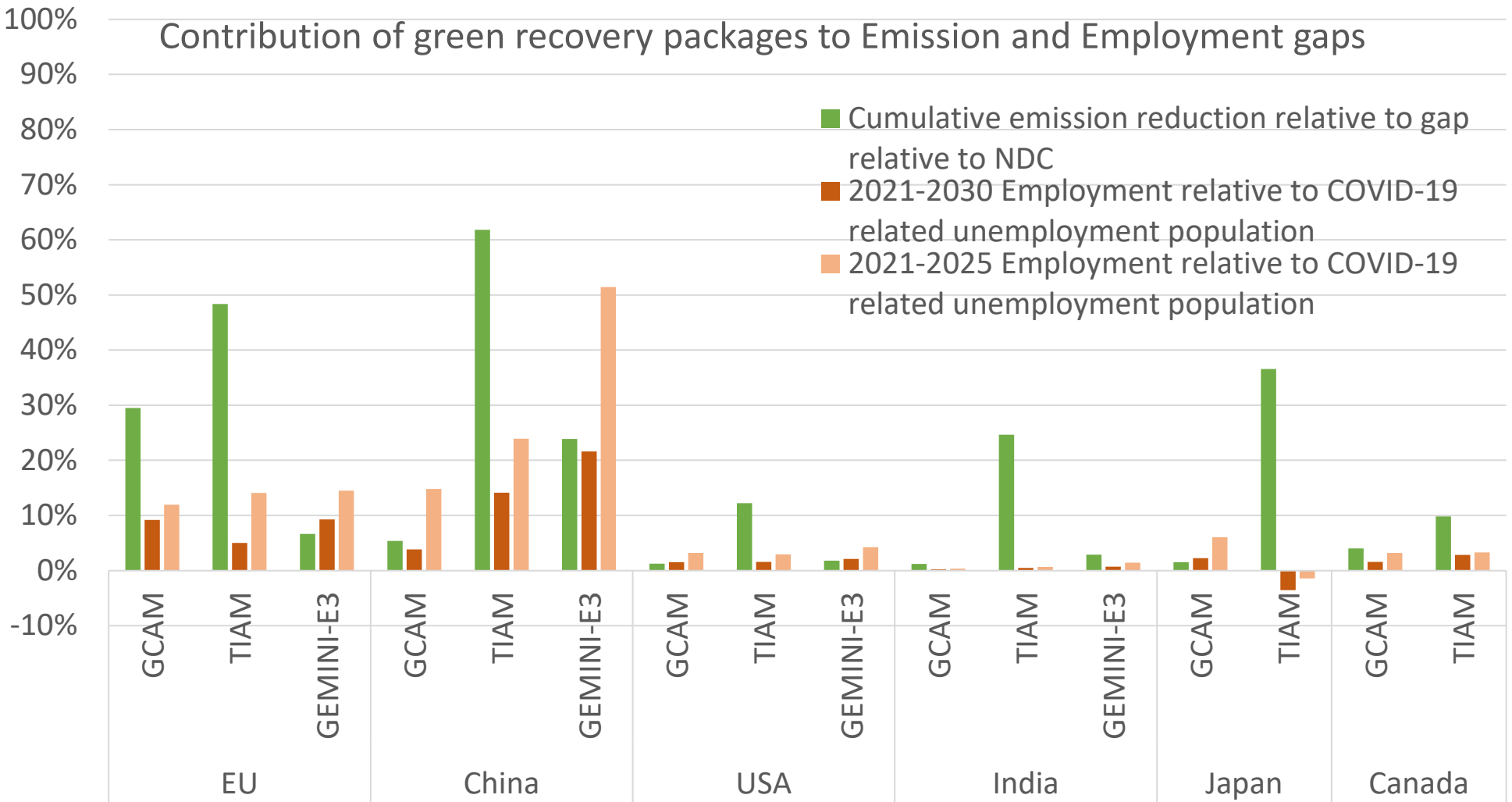


(c) USA



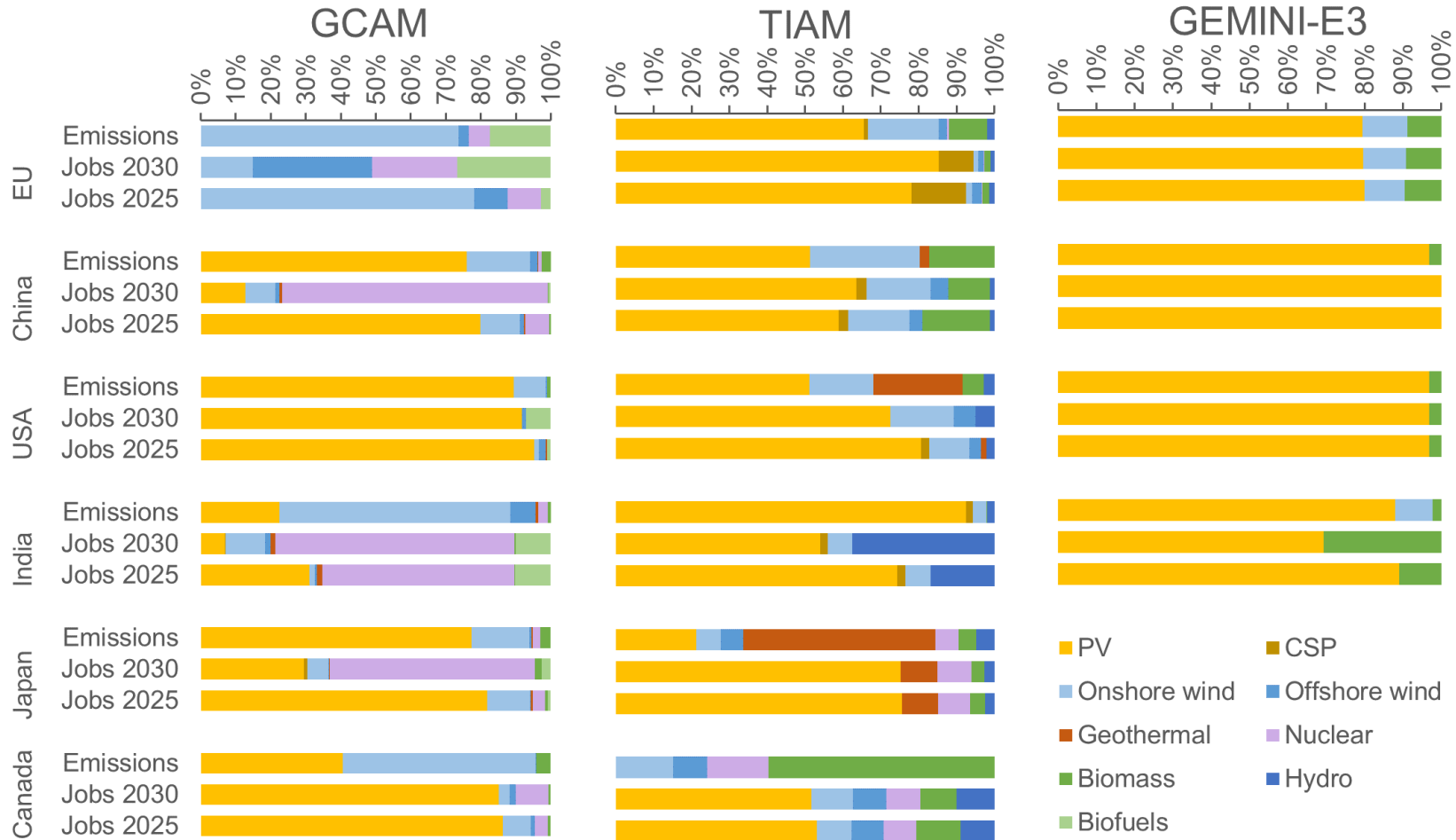
Impacts of recovery packages throughout the globe

Contribution of green recovery packages to Emission and Employment gaps



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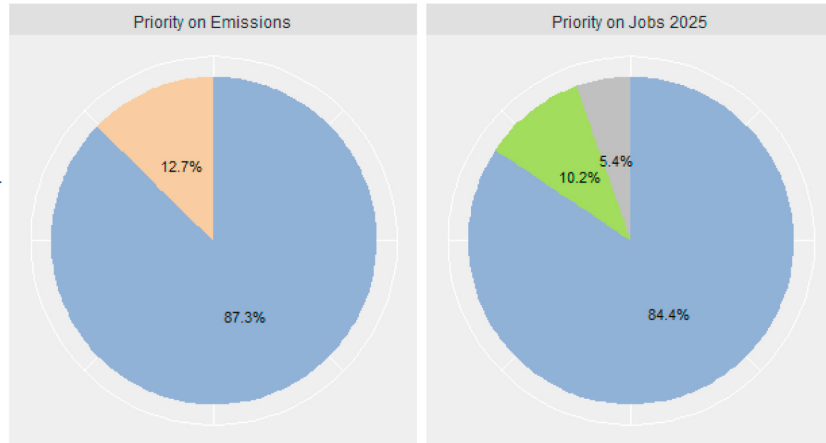
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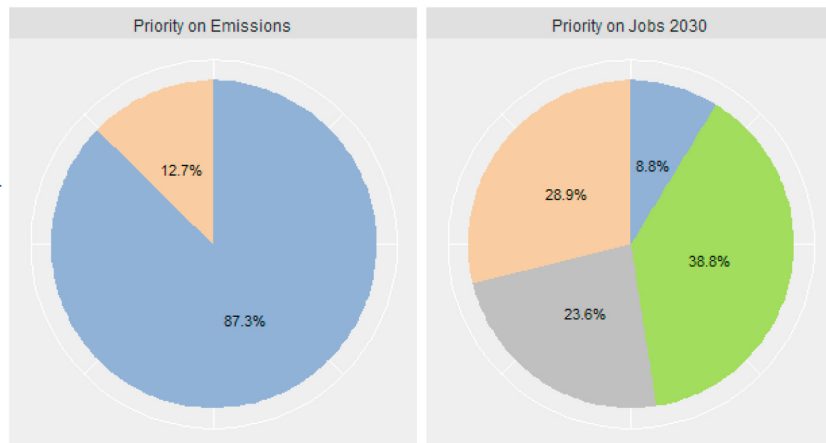
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Deep-dive into EU green recovery portfolios

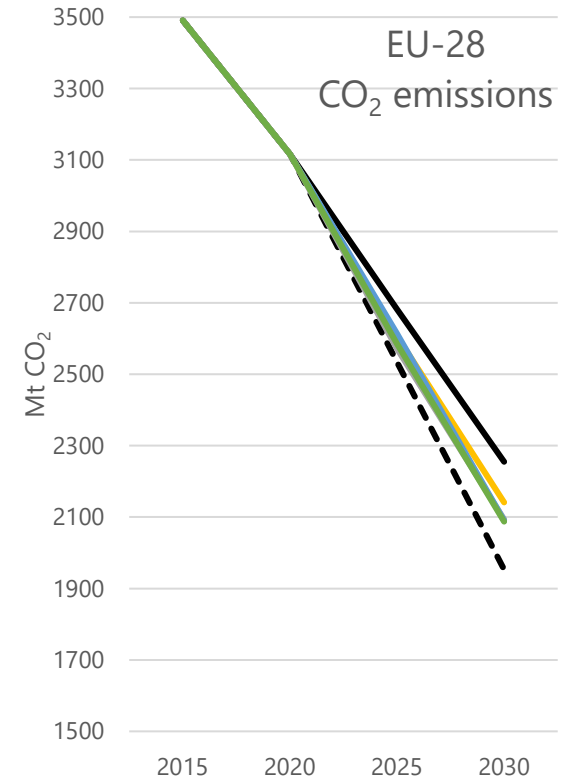
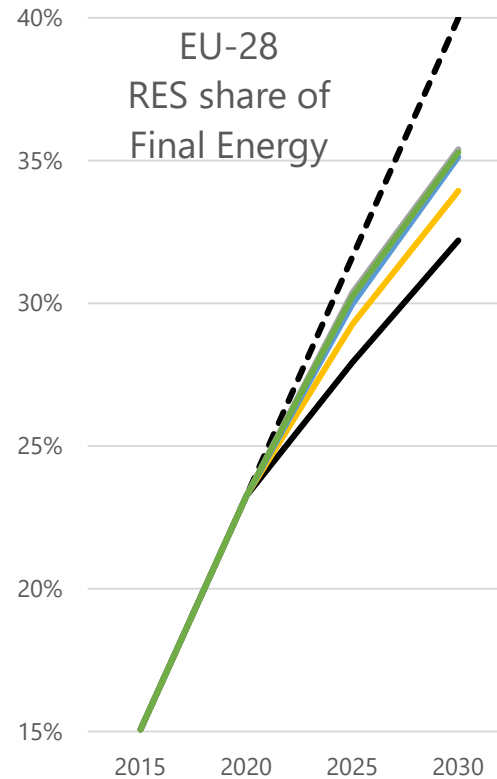
Emissions/Jobs 2025 optimisation



Emissions/Jobs 2030 optimisation



Technology ■ Biofuels ■ Nuclear ■ Offshore Wind ■ Onshore Wind



- - - Fit-for-55 target
- Pre-pandemic policies
- Portfolios prioritising emission cuts
- Portfolios prioritising 2025 jobs
- Portfolios prioritising 2030 jobs
- Weighted average of all portfolios



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- Results show packages in the EU and China can contribute significantly to emission and employment goals. Packages in other economies have only incremental impacts.
- PV preferred technology for most optimal green recovery portfolios, although strong model diversity is reflected in technological breakdown.
- Green budget in European RRF is projected to bring the European around half-way towards fit-for-55 targets on renewables and emissions.
- Quick response to crisis key in European's relatively impactful green recovery: potential lesson for current energy crisis.





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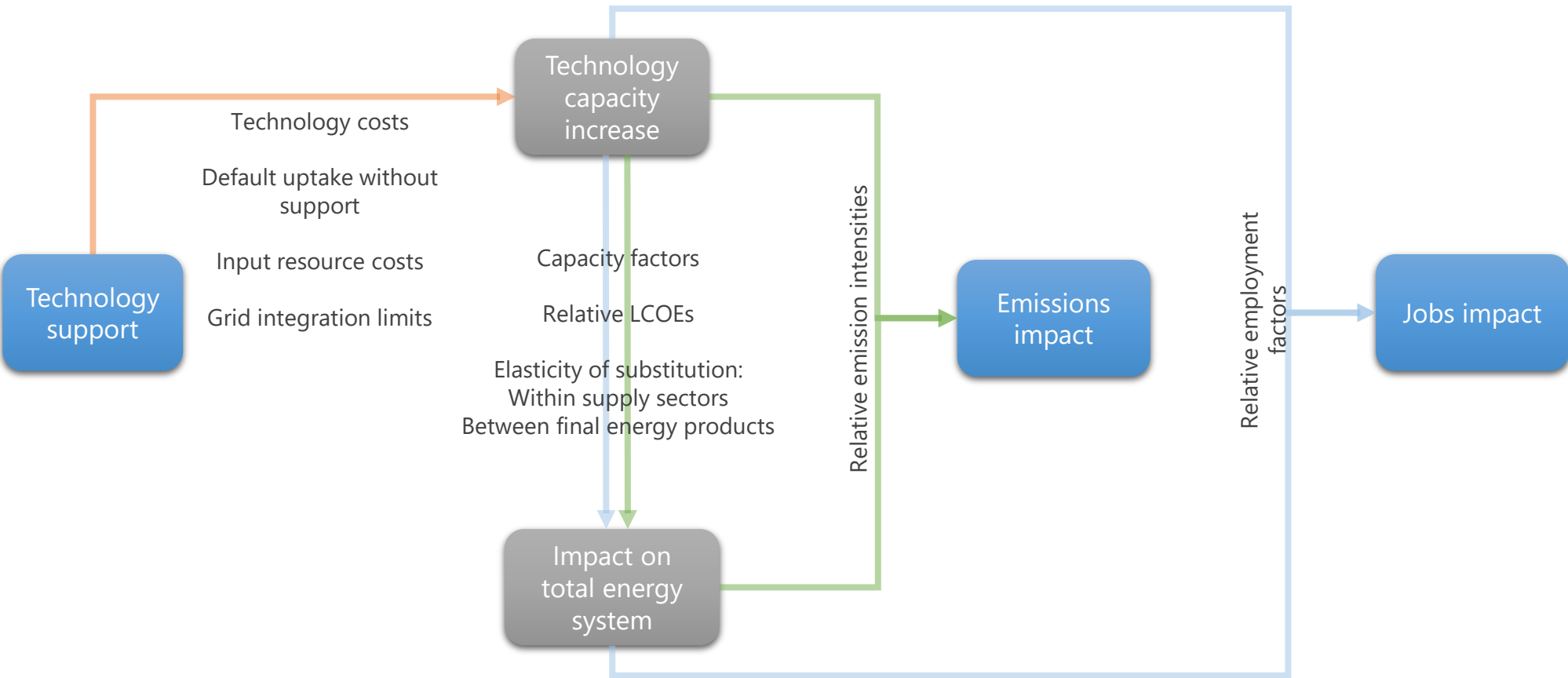
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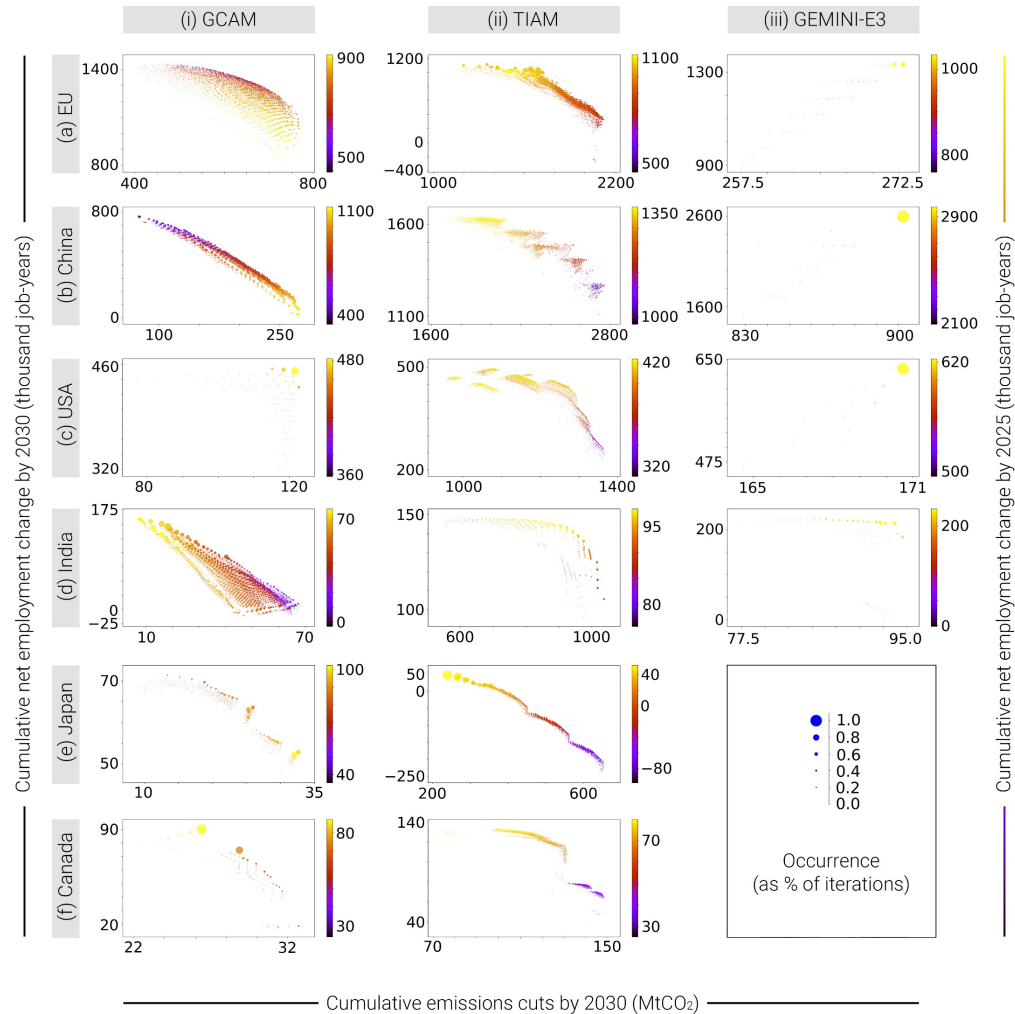
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Appendix: Cumulative emissions cuts by 2030



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