

# Role of CCS for ASEAN towards Carbon Neutrality: Model analysis with cost-minimization approach

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# Energy and economy in ASEAN

ASEAN's energy and economy are characterized by;

- High dependent on fossil fuels (78% in 2021) and young fossil fuel fleets
- Domestic production of fossil fuels
- Uneven distribution of renewable energy resources

Primary energy supply in ASEAN in 2021

Strong economic growth



Note) Exclude import and export of electricity Source) Created by IEEJ based on IEA (2023). World Energy Balances

### + High ambition towards carbon neutrality

#### **Outlook of GDP growth in ASEAN**



Source) Created by IEEJ Based on ERIA (2021). Energy Outlook and Energy Saving Potential in East Asia 2020.





# Framework of the analysis

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A cost-optimal combination of energy technologies is simulated using a linear programming model<sup>)</sup> that covers the entire energy system of ASEAN 10 countries. Energy-related  $CO_2$  emissions constraints reflect each country's long-term target with a consideration of natural carbon sinks (CN by 2060 for ASEAN). CCUS technologies are explicitly considered.

#### Framework of the analysis

Regional division	10 ASEAN countries (10 nodes)
Time period	2017-2060 (2017, 2030, 2040, 2050 and 2060)
Discount rate	8%
Temporal resolution	4-hourly resolution (2190 time slices ) per year for electricity supply and demand
End-use sector	<ul> <li>Industry: Iron &amp; Steel, Cement, Chemicals, Paper &amp; pulp, Other industries</li> <li>Transport: Light-duty vehicle, Bus &amp; truck, Rail, Aviation, Navigation, Other transport</li> <li>Residential: Light and appliances, Space cooling, Water heating, Kitchen</li> <li>Commercial: Light and appliances, Space cooling, Water heating &amp; Kitchen</li> <li>Other: Agricultural and other energy demand</li> </ul>

#### **Considered CCUS technologies**



1) For example, Otsuki et al (2022). Energy mix for net zero CO2 emissions by 2050 in Japan. Electr Eng Jpn.

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# Assumptions for CCS

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Southeast Asia is a promising area for  $CO_2$  storage.

Source) Created by IEEJ based on IEA (2021). Carbon Capture,

Utilisation and Storage: The Opportunity in Southeast Asia

CCS installation to existing thermal power would be cost-competitive in the short- to mid-term. DACCS would be so in the long-term with high carbon prices aiming for CN. DACCS: direct air carbon dioxide capture and storage





Source) Estimated by IEEJ based on Indonesia's power technology catalogue, etc.



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### Thermal power generation and CO<sub>2</sub> emissions

Although its share would drop, thermal power would continue to play a role in ASEAN by backing up variable renewable energy and/or covering electricity demand growth that can't be met by renewable energy alone. CCS and clean fuel are essential for reducing emissions from thermal power.

In addition to a substantial emissions reduction compared to the case without CN targets, CDR methods such as BECCS and DACCS are required to offset hard-to-abate emissions.

#### Thermal power generation by fuel type in ASEAN



#### Sectoral CO<sub>2</sub> emissions in ASEAN





# Costs for achieving CN

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Simulation results imply significant economic challenges associated with CN.

According to sensitivity analysis on  $CO_2$  storage capacity or annual upper limit, CCS availability has a large impact on the costs for achieving CN in the mid- to long-term.



### Marginal electricity costs in ASEAN (weighted average)

### US cent/kWh 25 -0-CCSx0.2 20 -0-CCSx0.5 20 -O-CCSx1.0 (Base) 15 12 10 5 0 2060 2017

## Comparison among AR6 scenarios

Energy demands tend to correlate with economic growth while acknowledging the importance of energy efficiency. As the energy demands grow, CCS becomes an increasingly important option to meet climate targets.

#### Comparison among AR6 scenarios for "Other countries of Asia" consistent with Paris targets



Note) Scenarios include those in line with 1.5°C or 2°C targets. "Other countries of Asia" doesn't include Cambodia, Laos, and Vietnam. Source) Created by IEEJ based on Byers et al., AR6 Scenario Explorer hosted by IIASA, 2022



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### Conclusions

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CCS is a **cost-competitive option** to address ASEAN's or even global situations/challenges towards CN. Further efforts including international cooperation are needed from technical and regulative perspectives to expand CCS in the region.

