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Overcoming non-technical barriers

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WP1 results

”non-technical barriers from sustainability point of view”

➤ Integrated sustainability assessment

- Environment: LCA case studies, dispersion modelling
- Economy: General cost data and operational environment
- Society: Legislation & acceptability





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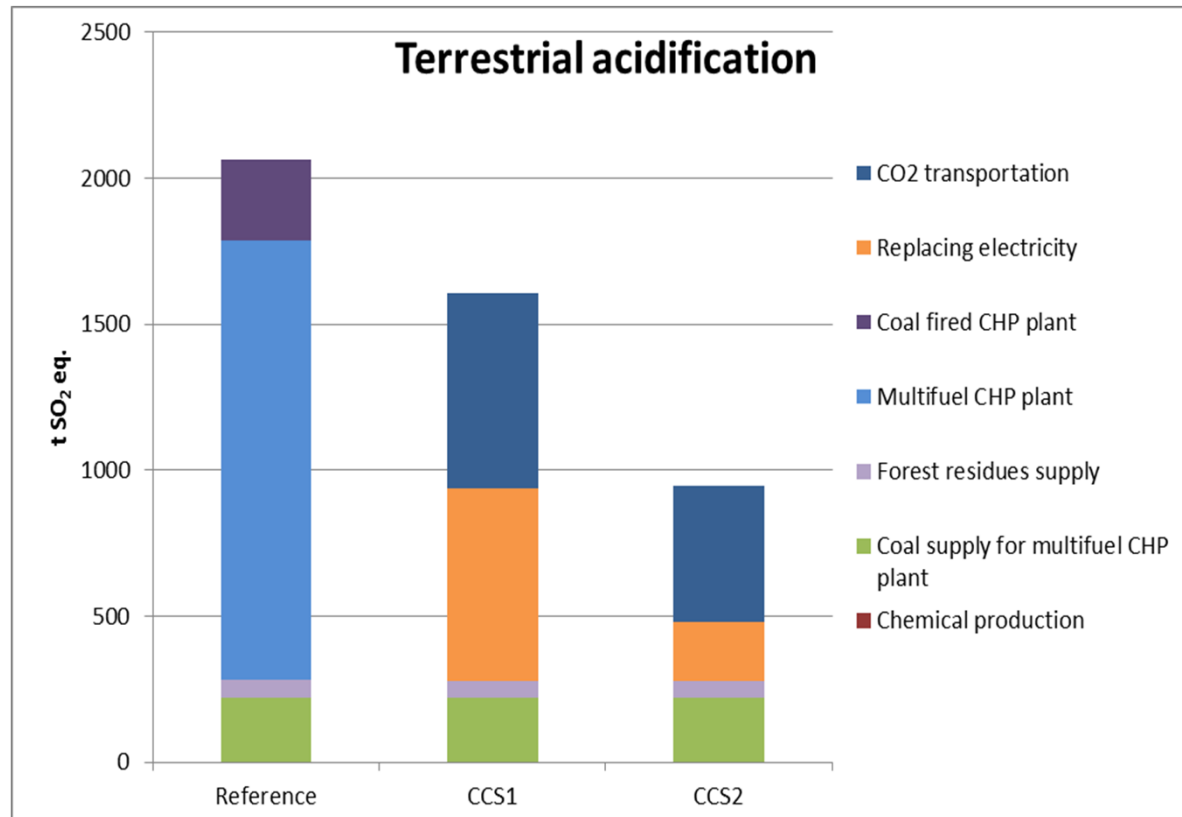
Life cycle assessments (LCA)

- Three case studies conducted in WP1 of CCSP
- Generally known that CO₂ decreases
 - Even “negative” CO₂ emissions by bioCCS
 - Overall impact mostly dependent on the impacts of energy penalty (replacing electricity in system level and consequent life cycles)
 - Multifold in comparison to, for example, CO₂ emissions from ship transportation of CO₂
- Focus on other environmental impacts



Acidification

Case example: Greenfield oxy-CFB combustion (CHP)



Annual production

- 1058 GWh electricity
- 2353 GWh heat

Results are very sensitive to assumptions regarding

- the reference case
- the assumed energy profile for replacing electricity
- ship transport (distance, fuel, size of the vessel)

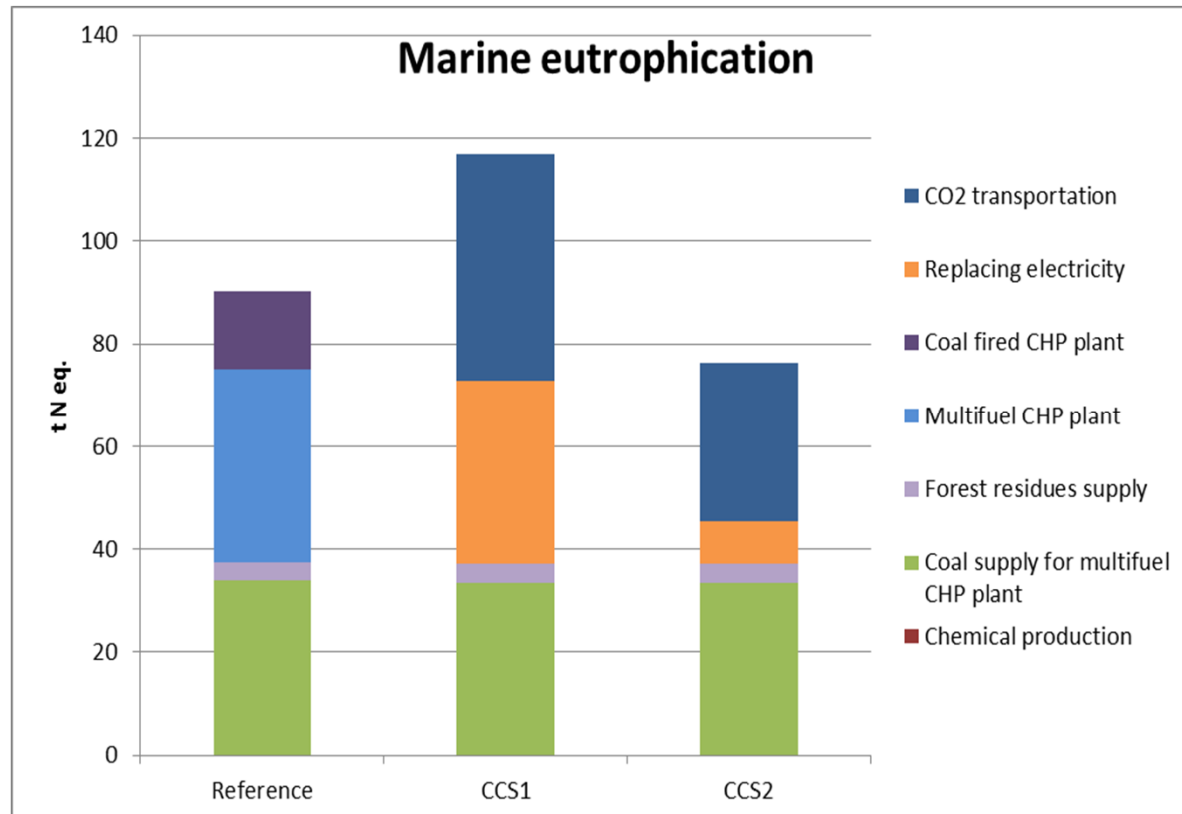
Applied impact assessment method ReCiPe Midpoint (2012)





Eutrophication

Case example: Greenfield oxy-CFB combustion (CHP)



Annual production

- 1058 GWh electricity
- 2353 GWh heat

- Emissions from the Multifuel CHP plant decrease due to CCS implementation
- Increase occurs due to ship transport of captured CO₂ and due to replacing electricity
- Further savings are possible if distance of ship transport can be shortened (e.g. until Dalders)

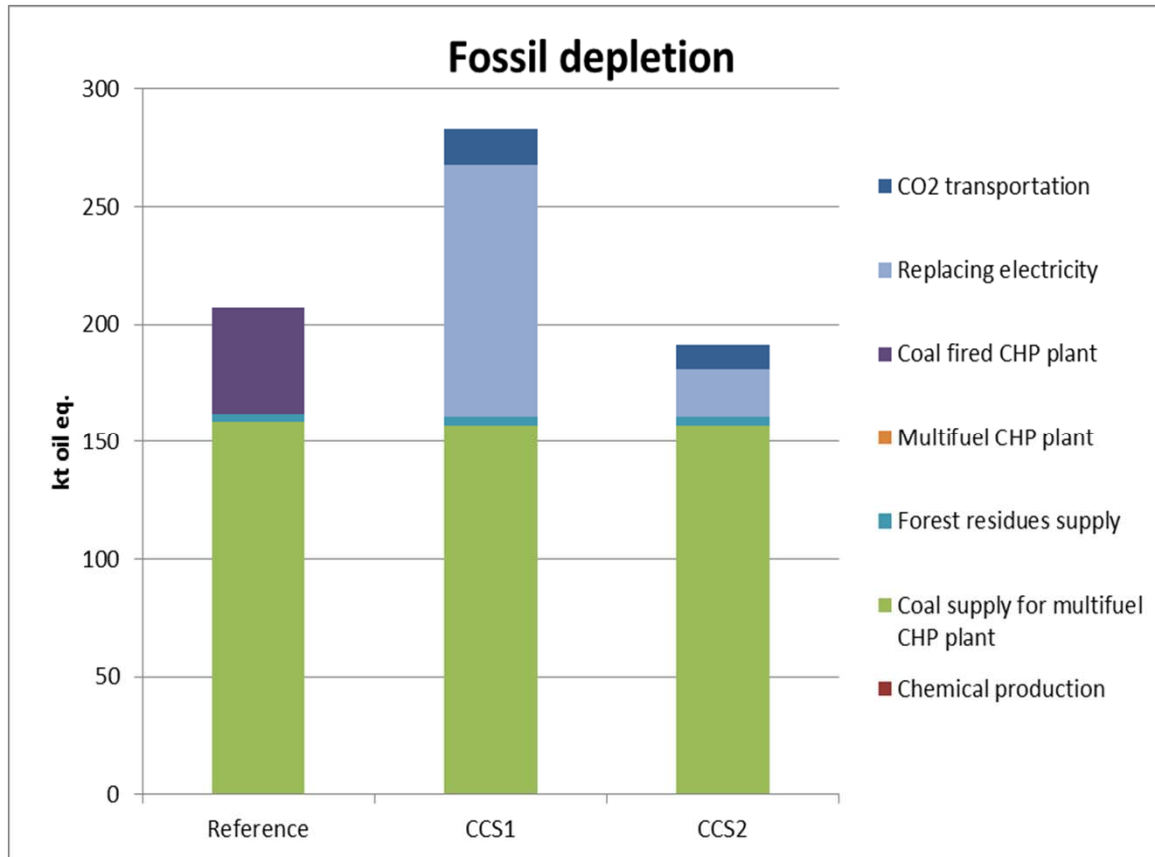
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Fossil resources depletion

Case example: Greenfield oxy-CFB combustion (CHP)



Annual production

- 1058 GWh electricity
- 2353 GWh heat

CCS1:

- Replacing electricity (514GWh) produced with coal
- Transport of CO₂ with 10 000 m³ ship.

CCS2:

- Replacing electricity (514GWh) produced with Finnish average fuel profile
- Transport of CO₂ with 20 000m³ ship

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Dispersion modelling and amines (post-comb.)

- Dispersion models suggest potential exceedance of nitrosamine+nitramine concentration of 0.3 ng/m^3
- A chemical box model (Onel *et al.* 2015) estimated that
 - in an overcast day scenario the resulting sum was less than 0.004 ng/m^3
 - a clear day or clear night scenario may result in nitramine+nitrosamine concentration $0.5\text{--}1.0 \text{ ng/m}^3$
- Puff model with amine chemistry module (Fowler and Vernon 2012a)
 - optimistic scenario: sum of all harmful species 14% of 0.3 ng/m^3
 - pessimistic scenario: sum of all harmful species exceeded 0.3 ng/m^3
- Ramboll has developed tools for modelling



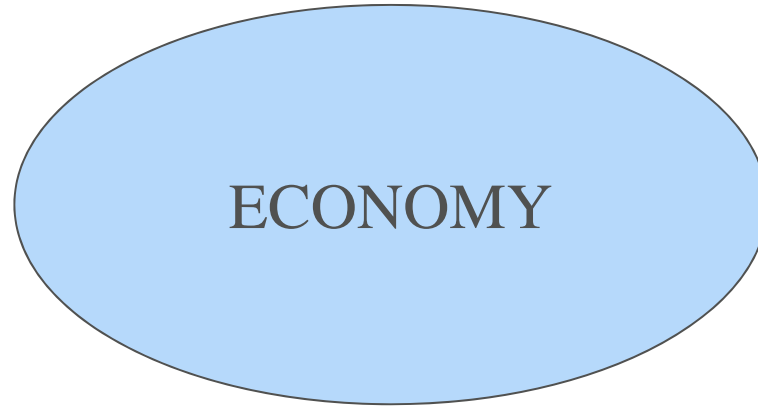
Conclusions - Environment

- In addition to CO₂, also the SO₂, NO_x and N₂O emissions from the assessed power plants decrease due to CCS implementation.
 - Increases occur due to ship transport and need for compensating energy
 - Not a barrier, but due to ambiguous nature of LCA, also contradictory results are published in international literature and risk for disinformation exists.
 - Requires foreseeable development of power system and regulation of emissions from ships
- Dispersion modelling tools developed → modelling capability not a barrier
 - Carcinogenic emissions such as nitrosamines may become a barrier even if amounts are small (limits vs. technology specific emissions)



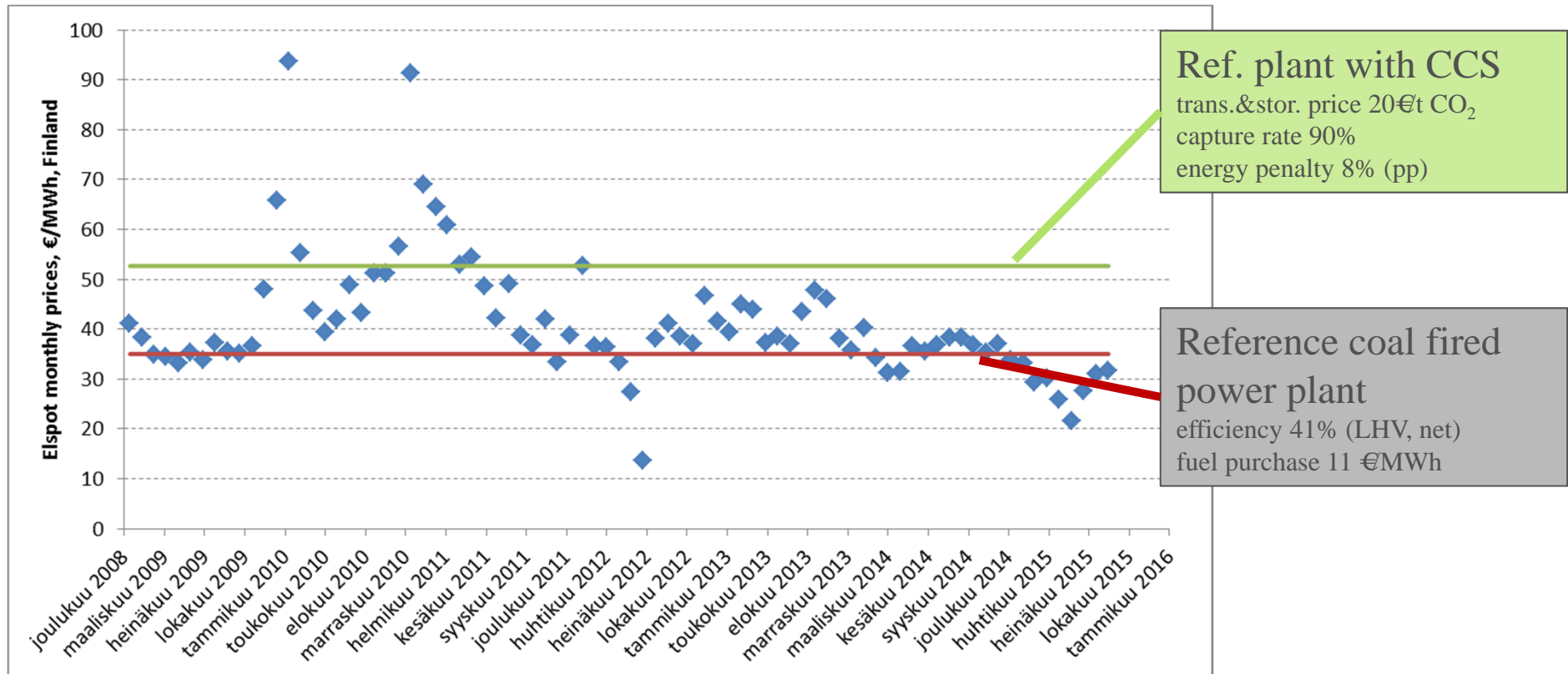
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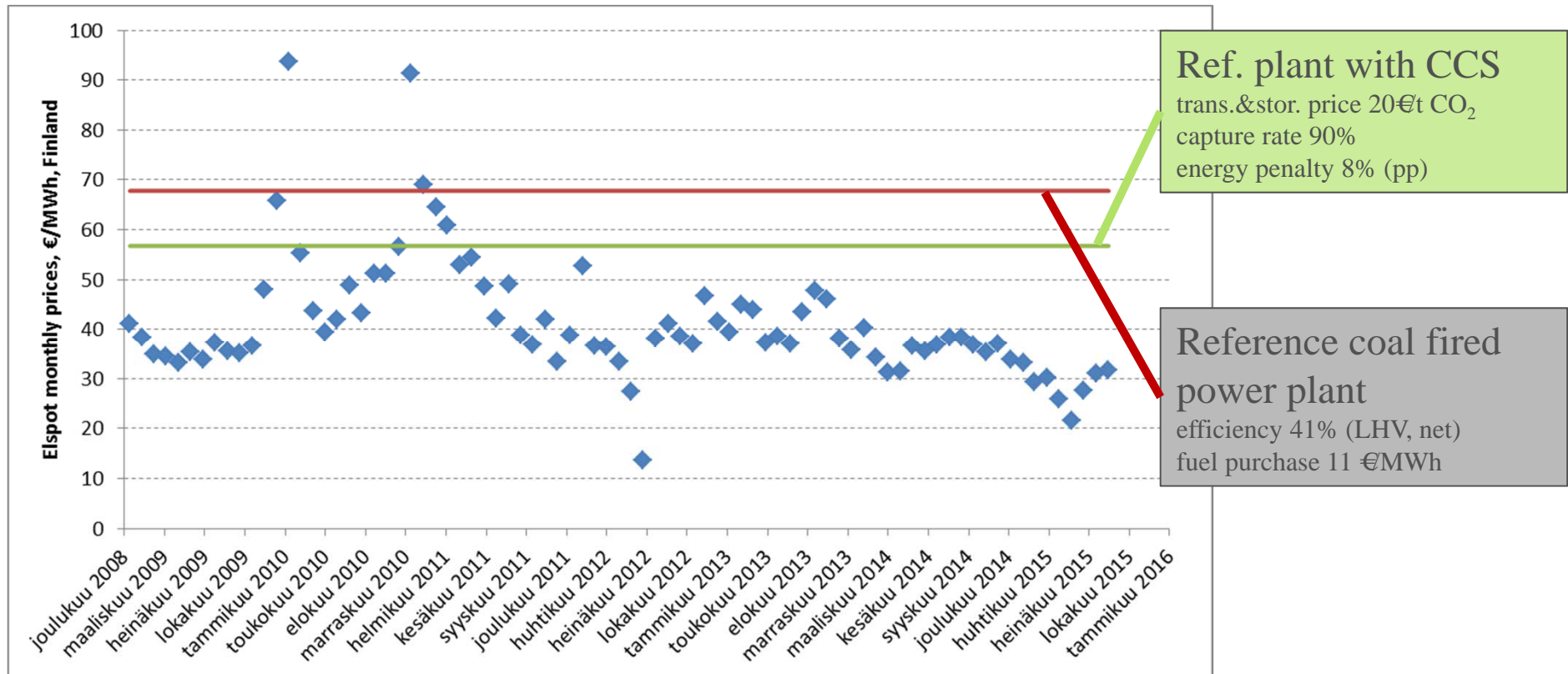
Fuel+CO₂ costs vs. Elspot monthly prices

Emission allowance price in EU ETS 10€/t



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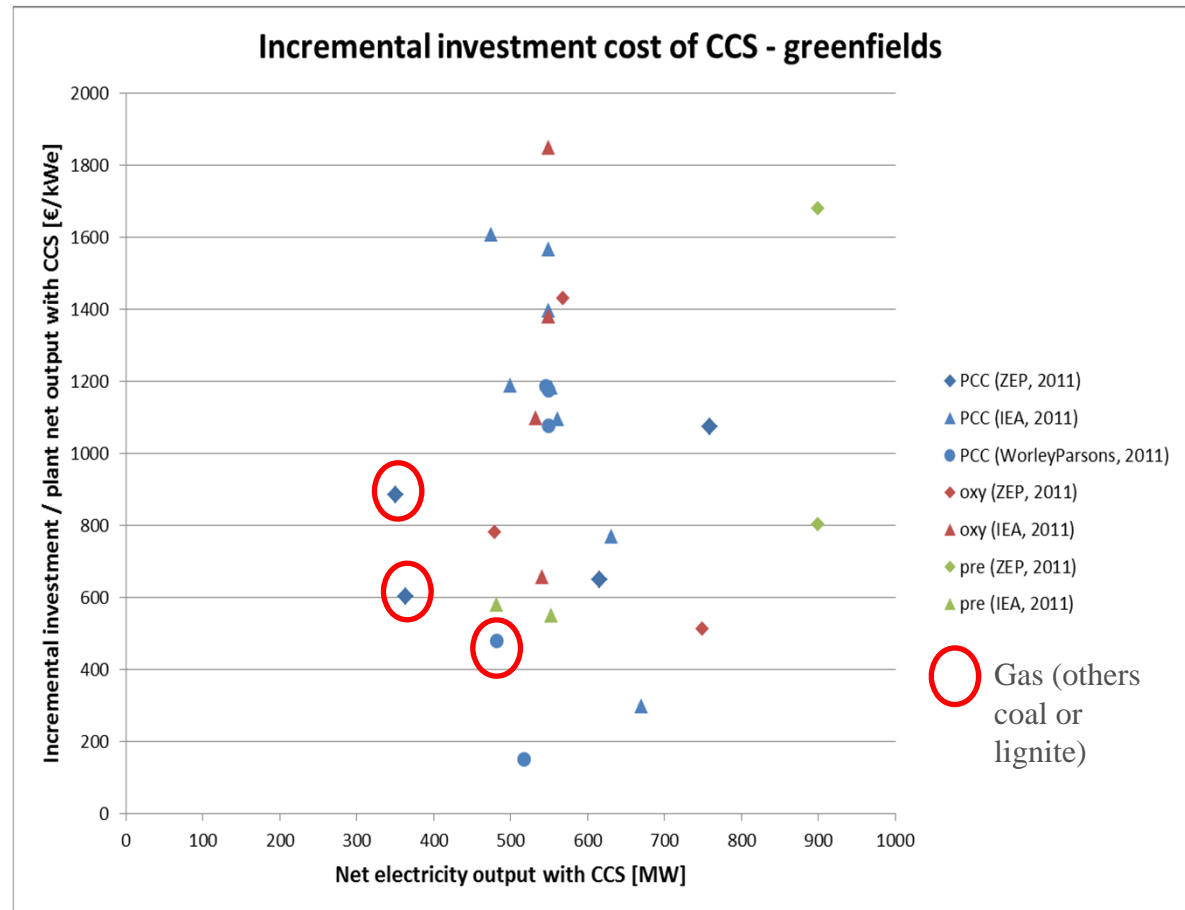
Emission allowance price in EU ETS 50€/t





Incremental investment cost of CCS

- No trend in incremental investment costs can be found
- The average incremental investment for GTCC CCS is below average



For comparison: Investment for Boundary Dam project (FOAK, retrofit) ~ 10 000 €/kWe

- incl. boiler and turbine improvements



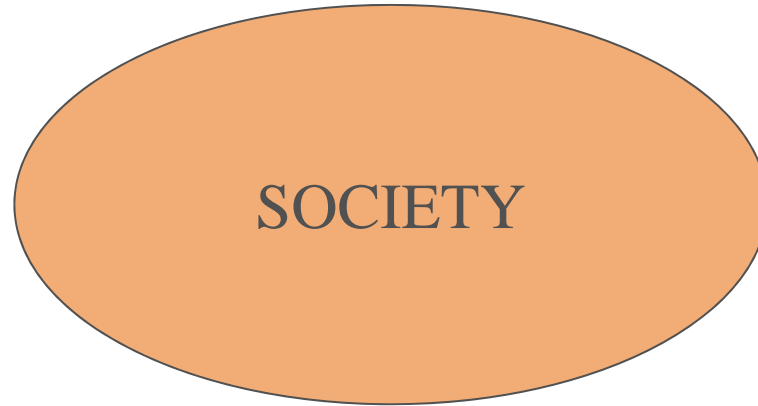
How to overcome the economic barriers?

- Improved technologies (e.g. CLC)
 - Non-technical and technical barriers are interlinked
- Applications for "low hanging fruits" (e.g. Slag2PCC, biodiesel, Ca-cycles)
- Profitability from other markets than electricity spot-price
 - capacity markets
 - other products than electricity (heat, biofuels, CCU, etc...)
 - waste management, industry, negative emissions!
- Who will take the risk with FOAK plants
 - subsidies required?
 - uncertainty still remains with NOAK plants
 - costs, potential for mushrooming?



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Safety

- There are several legal environmental, health and safety (EHS) requirements an operating industrial (power) plant must fulfill.
- Introducing carbon capture to these plants would not (at least in most of the cases) substantially increase or tighten the legal requirements. Carbon capture would be a new process unit, whose safety should be ensured.
- EHS-issues and risks related to processing CO₂ is not a new topic, but the amounts of CO₂ in CCS value chain are. A major release of CO₂ has a potential to become a major accident hazard.
- The risks related to carbon capture should be compared with other risks in a facility and to assess whether the existing safety measures and other risk reducing measures are sufficient.



EU ETS

Negative emissions

Ship transportation

Utilisation and mineral carbonation

Article 3

Definitions

(52) 'CO₂ transport' means the transport of CO₂ by pipelines for geological storage in a storage site permitted under Directive 2009/31/EC;

Article 49

Transferred CO₂

1. The operator shall subtract from the emissions of the installation any amount of CO₂ originating from fossil carbon in activities covered by Annex I to Directive 2003/87/EC, which is not emitted from the installation, but transferred out of the installation to any of the following:

- (a) a capture installation for the purpose of transport and long-term geological storage in a storage site permitted under Directive 2009/31/EC;
- (b) a transport network with the purpose of long-term geological storage in a storage site permitted under Directive 2009/31/EC;
- (c) a storage site permitted under Directive 2009/31/EC for the purpose of long-term geological storage.

For any other transfer of CO₂ out of the installation, no subtraction of CO₂ from the installation's emissions shall be allowed.

<http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=CELEX:32012R0601&from=EN>





How to overcome the legislative barriers (1/3)

Negative emissions:

- Proposal: Income from gained CO₂ allowances
 - several possibilities, for example NER400
 - Scientific approach: monitoring at storage site only
 - Proposals outlined (journal article)
- CCS in biomass co-firing probably already possible until net zero CO₂ emissions?
- Liquid biofuels: benefits in required life cycle emission reductions?
 - RES directive, Fuel Quality directive, forthcoming regulations...



How to overcome the legislative barriers (2/3)

Ship transportation:

- Monitoring could be based on the existing requirements for documentation (Bill-of-Laden, BoL)
 - Possible solutions to be presented in two papers (GHGT + journal?)
- Preparations to include ship transportation in EU ETS
 - May overcome some barriers
- London Protocol: Transboundary amendment for CO₂ export needs 30 countries to ratify
 - until 2014 only 2 (UK and Norway) had ratified!
 - Finland is not a party of London Protocol → not a barrier for Finland (directly)



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How to overcome the legislative barriers (3/3)

Utilisation

- Economic benefit from the product CO₂, not from saved CO₂ allowances
 - Increased economic value of replaced CO₂ emissions in other sectors improves profitability
 - Potential incoherencies in some cases (need for research and dissemination)

Mineral carbonation

Communication and commenting

- MEE, EU and national regulation
- International collaboration (conferences, IEA, IEA GHG, EERA, ZEP...)

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Public acceptance



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Greenpeace, CCS - False Hope - fact sheet

False Hope

Why carbon capture and storage won't save the climate

GREENPEACE



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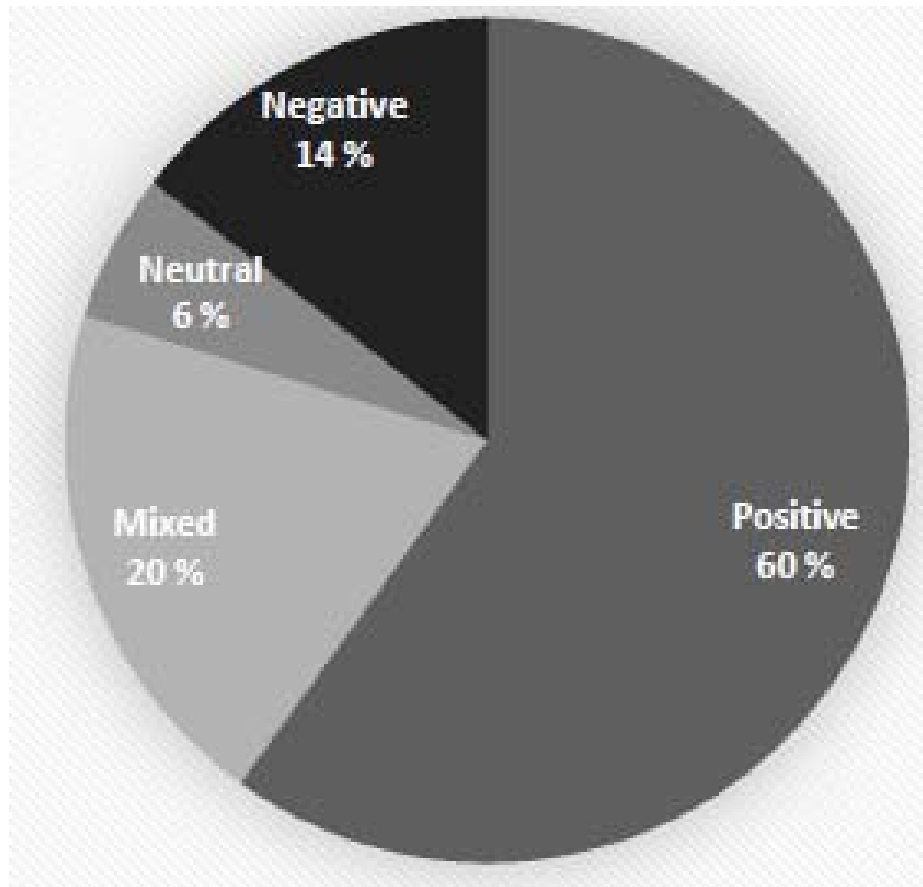
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Tone of the articles (N=282) in the Finnish print media data

(Kojo & Innola, CCS in the Finnish Print Media)





TOP-5 arguments regarding CCS in Finnish print media

TOP-5 **positive** arguments:

- Reduces emissions / Slows down climate change
- EU / Other countries are investing in CCS
- Technology already exists / is tested / is in use
- CCS is an important means among others
- Consumption of fossil fuels will continue / increase

also used as a negative argument

TOP-5 **negative** arguments

- CCS is expensive
- Problematic/unsolved final storage
- Not profitable/deployable in decades
- Technology still in planning stage/not used
- Lessens plant-efficiency/requires more energy



Tentative conclusions related to acceptance

- Probably not a significant barrier in Finland
 - In general, difficulties mostly with geological storage → no storage sites in Finland
 - Uncertain due to lack of full scale projects
 - Currently CCS is not on agenda of media in Finland
 - Should it be for instance to foster awareness and debate on climate change mitigation options?
 - Who will be the talking heads media will refer to in the future?
- The same options presented from economic perspective may help also in terms of acceptability
 - Communication needed regarding final storage (excl. CCU)



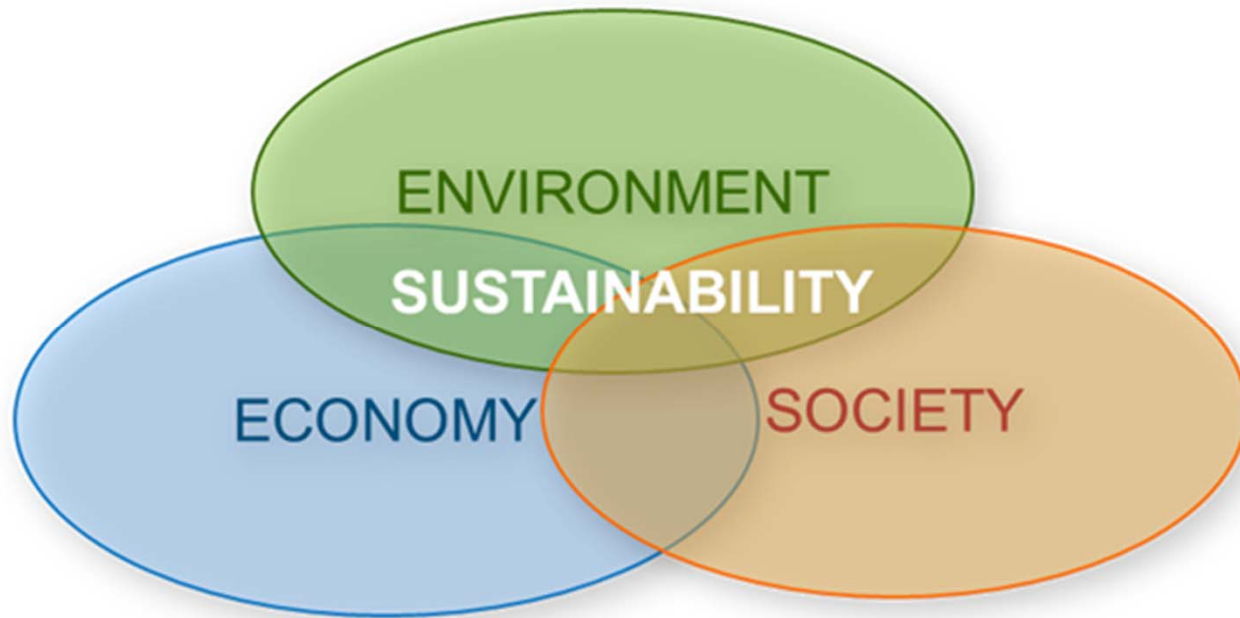
Some examples of published guidelines

- Ashworth et al. (2011) *Communication/Engagement Toolkit for CCS Projects*. CSIRO. 50 pages.
- Bellona (2009) *Guidelines for public consultation and participation in CCS projects*. 10 pages.
- Jammes et al. (2012) *Social Site Characterisation & Stakeholder Engagement*. Global CCS Institute. 132 pages.
- NETL/US DoE (2009) *Best Practices for Public Outreach and Education for Carbon Storage Projects*. National Energy Technology Laboratory. 62 pages.
- World Resources Institute (2010) *Guidelines for Community Engagement in Carbon Dioxide Capture, Transport, and Storage Projects*. 100 pages.



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PESTEL analysis for integrating the results

- PESTEL framework categorizes environmental influences of the operational environment into six main categories: **P**olitical, **E**conomic, **S**ocial, **T**echnological, **E**nvironmental and **L**egal.
- PESTEL can be used for
 - analysing the macro-environment
 - for providing an overview of most important factors
 - for identifying key drivers of change
- In this case, PESTEL framework was applied for identifying key drivers and potential barriers for implementation of CCS technologies in Finland.

Identified Drivers & Barriers for CCS in Finland

POLITICAL	EU Climate & Energy policy	Paris Climate Agreement	Uncertainty & discontinuity in political decision-making			
ECONOMIC	Low CO ₂ price	Investment costs	Energy penalty	Rising CO ₂ price	Low electricity price	Future CCU & Bio-CCS business opportunities
SOCIAL	Need to cut GHG emissions	Neutral or skeptic attitudes of the stakeholders & low interest		"Competition" with other GHG reduction options		
TECHNOLOGICAL	Development potential in new technologies		Retrofit to existing infrastructure		Low efficiency of existing technologies	Lack of R&D funding for demonstration
ENVIRONMENTAL	Possibility to cut GHG emissions		Increasing need of fuels & transport in the supply chain		Continued fossil dependency	Negative emissions using bio-CCS?
LEGAL	Lack of CO ₂ transport by ship from EU-ETS	Lack of bio-CCS & CCU from EU-ETS	Restrictions of cross-border transport & off-shore storage in London Protocol			Evolution of legislation via active engagement?

DRIVER

BARRIER

Uncertain factor but potentially of importance





Conclusions

- Lack of profitability probably the most important barrier
 - Difficult to overcome in many cases
 - Some "low-hanging-fruits" available for CCU
 - Business cases vs. national economy and balance of trade (e.g. domestic transportation fuels)
- Several legislative barriers
 - Negative emissions, ship transportation, CCU
 - Easy to overcome (in principle), but actions required
- Uncertain acceptability
 - Significant resistance in some regions/cultures/against companies
 - Fully tested if projects are realised → public engagement and active communication and interaction