



# Future megatrends and its impact on the sustainable development of the steel industry value chain

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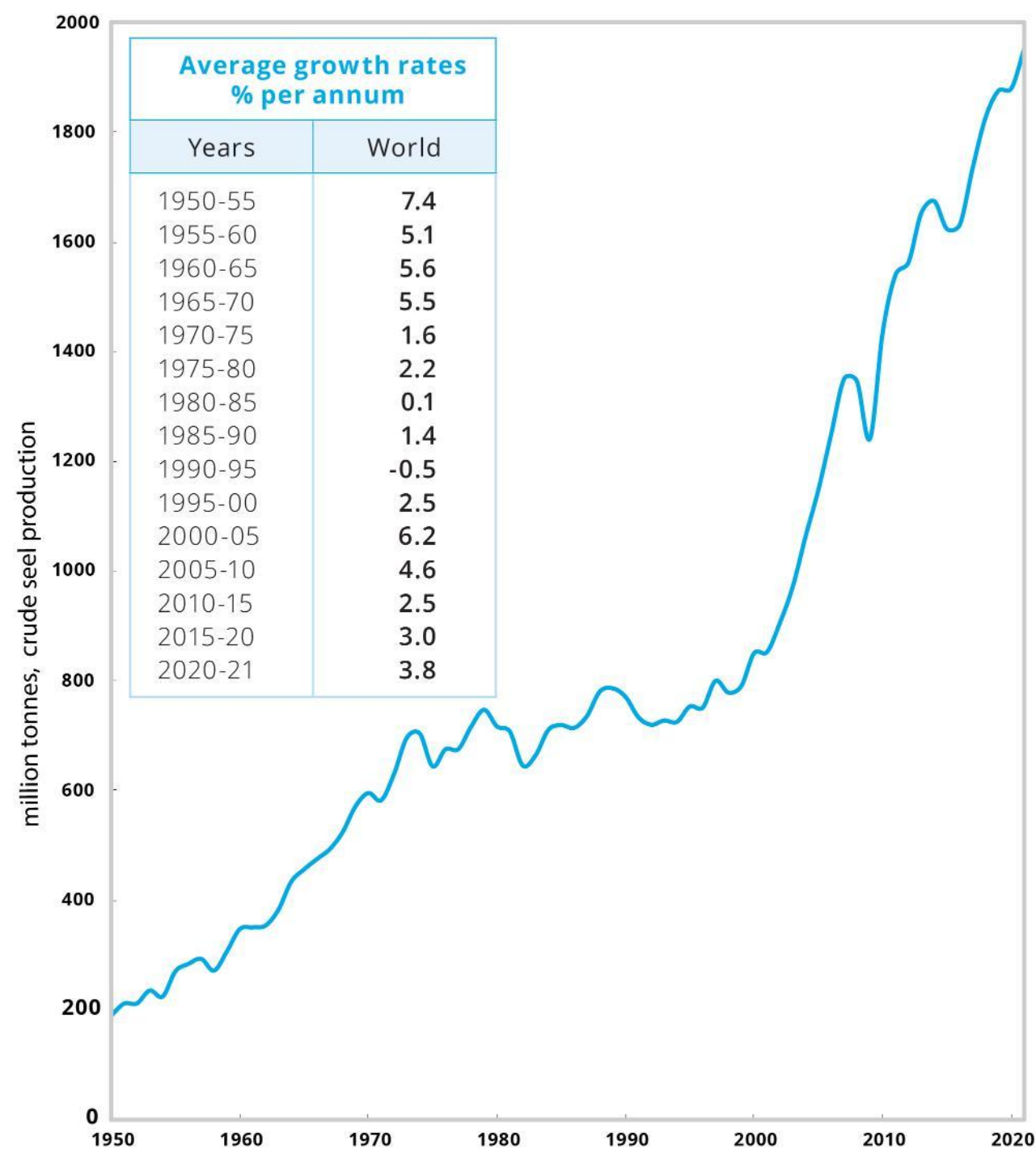
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# Steel industry in the region

# Steel production growth rate

- Global steel production has increased 10 times since the 1950s.
- Expectations are that growth will slow down in the decade ahead.

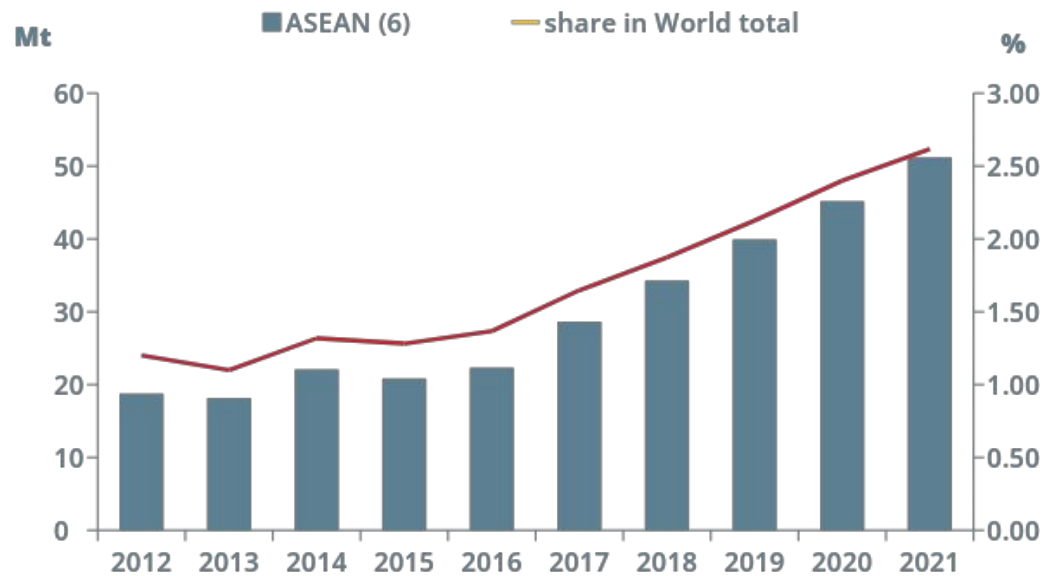


# Production

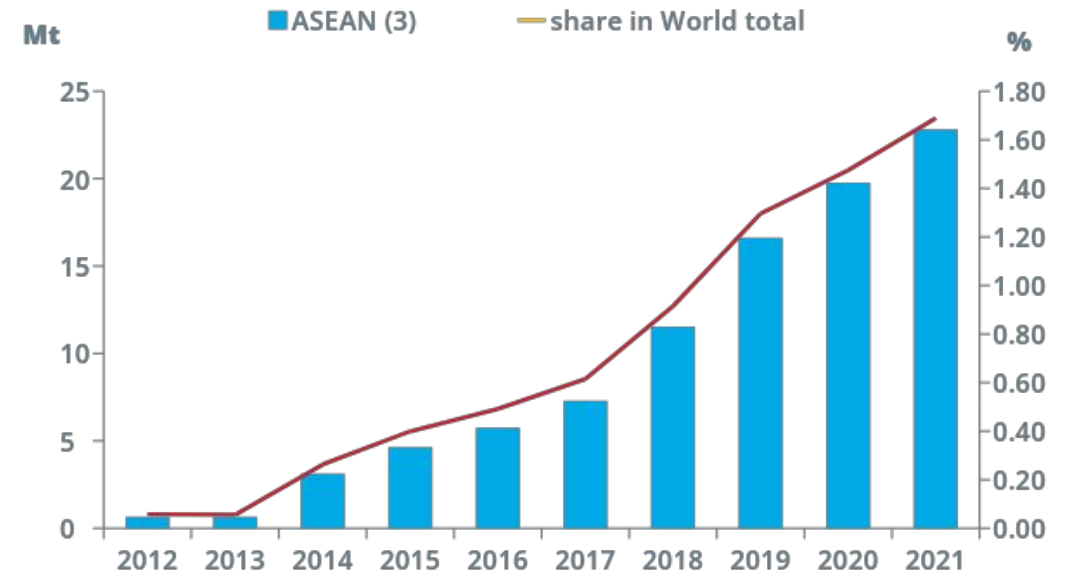
Crude steel production in ASEAN (6) increased in last decade by 32 Mt, it is 2.7 times

At the same time, the region even faster increased pig iron production, reaching almost 23 Mt in 2021

### Crude steel production



### Pig iron production

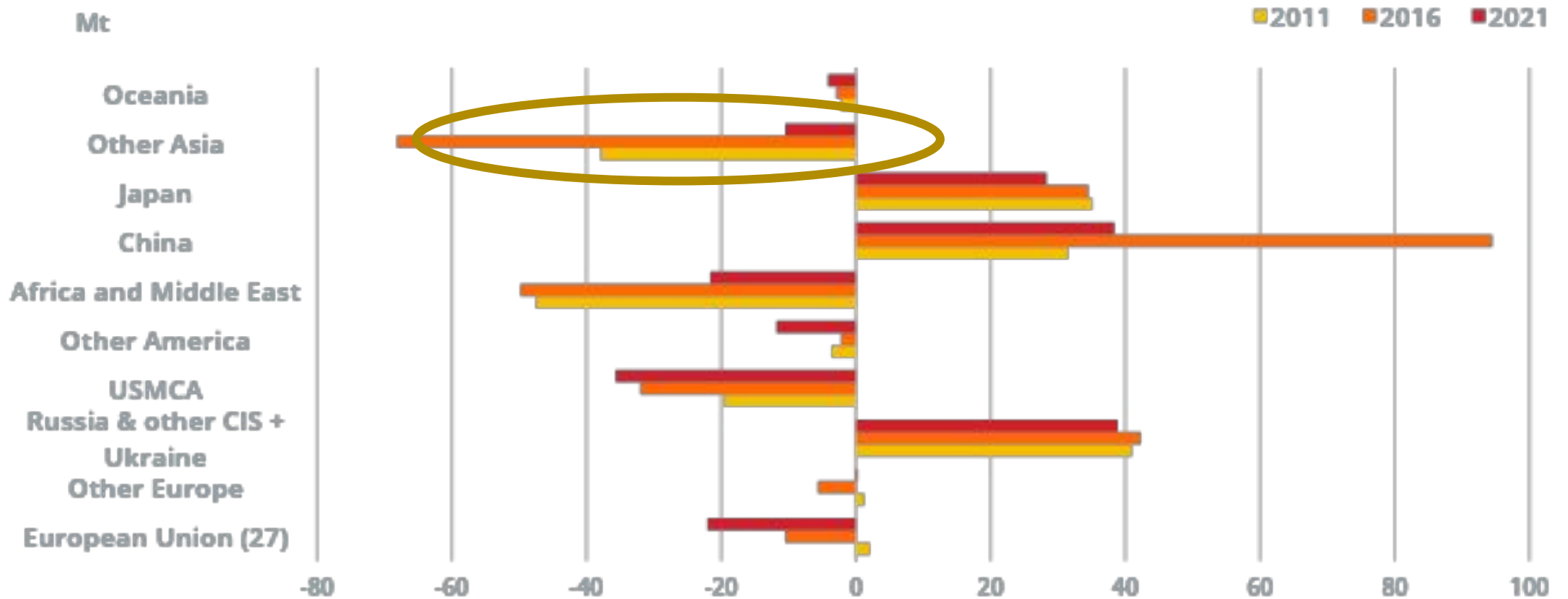


Source: worldsteel

Note. ASEAN (6): Indonesia, Malaysia, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, Viet Nam

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# Steel trade, net exports, million tonnes



Source: worldsteel





# Important trends to recognise

# Four megatrends accelerated after pandemic, triggering enormous changes

## Climate Change

- Super megatrend constantly influencing all sectors

## Technological Progress

- Address the issues such as carbon neutrality, wealth inequality and spreading disease

## Socioeconomic Changes

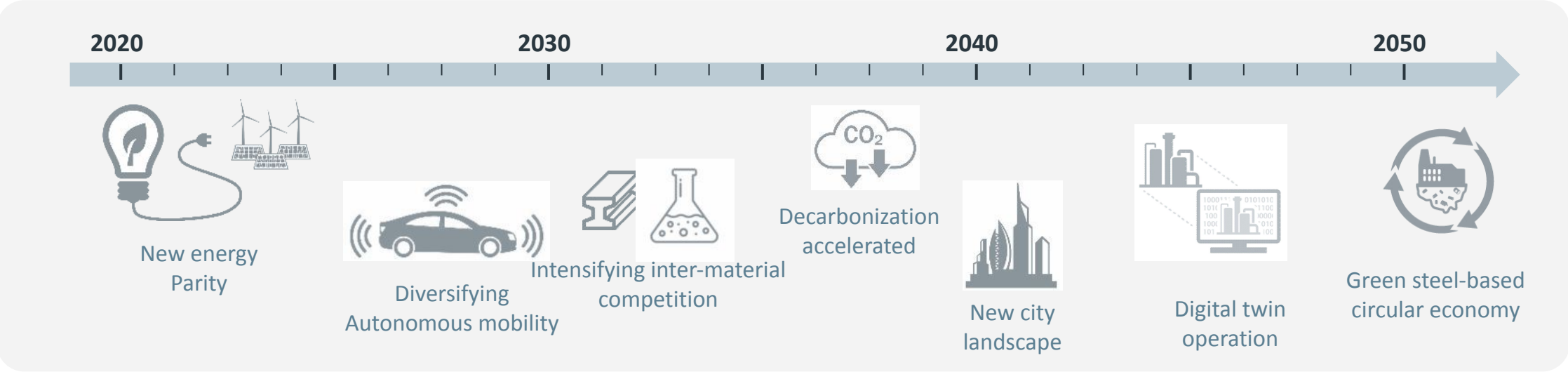
- Demographic shift - Aging population, bigger role of new generations, shifting individual behaviors

## Geopolitics

- Hegemonic competition to multi-polar world order & energy-tech divide

Innovation perspective

Sustainability perspective



How will the landscape change and what challenges will the steel industry face next 30 years?

A composite image of a city skyline at dusk. The sky is filled with dramatic, colorful clouds in shades of purple, pink, and blue. In the foreground, a large body of water reflects the light. On the right side, a large steel arch bridge spans across the water. On the left side, the Sydney Opera House is visible, illuminated. In the center, a dense city skyline with various skyscrapers is shown, some of which are lit up.

# Post-pandemic landscape of the globe

1. Climate Change

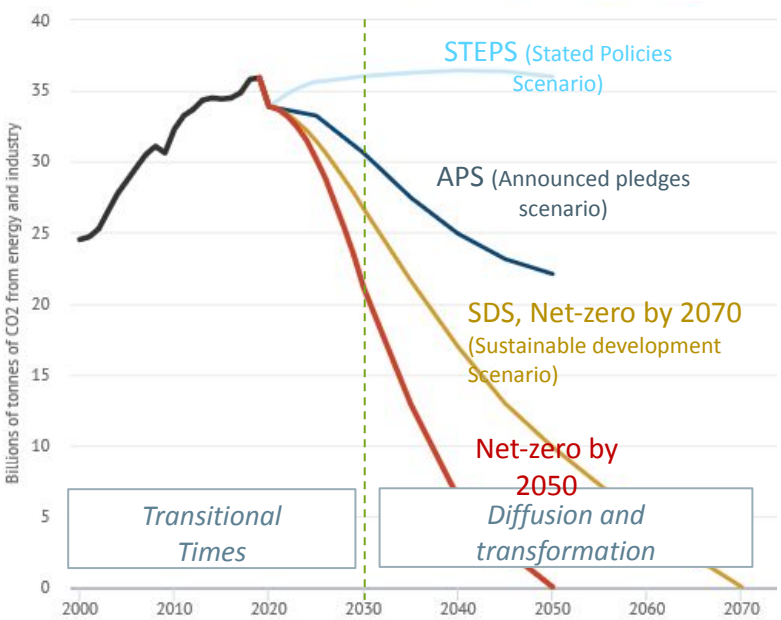
# Climate change brings about changes to all sectors such as economy, society, politics, and technology

❖ Global net zero initiatives change not only economic and industrial structure, but also global technological standards and geopolitical hegemony

## Global Decarbonization Pathways

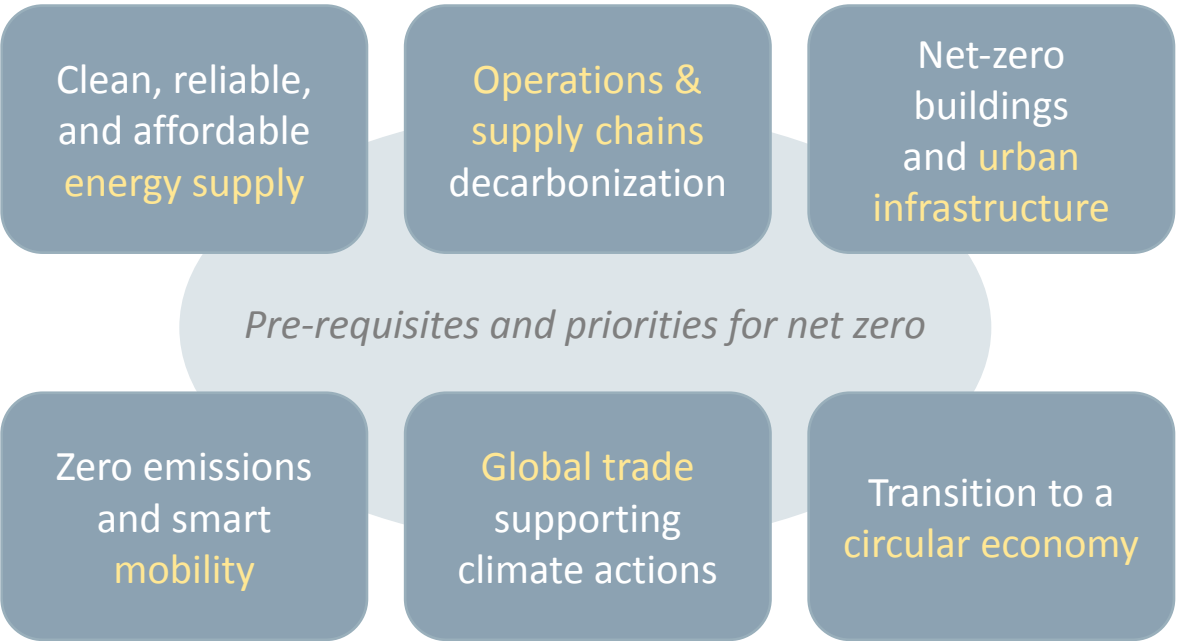
**Transitional times (2020~2030):** Power decarbonization, innovative tech. development

**Diffusion and transformation (~2050/70):** Non-power decarbonization, clean e. & innovative tech. diffusion



## Is Net-Zero Really Possible?

International society's net zero momentum by 2030 and clean energy infrastructure investment will determine success of net zero emissions by 2050



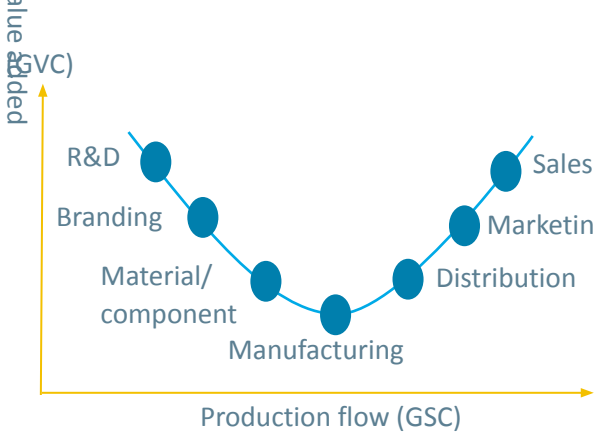
3. Geopolitical Rebalancing & Globalization

# Changes are expected in supply chain, carbon pricing and trade structure in the process of geopolitical rebalancing

- ❖ Rising uncertainty in transition to multi-polar world order (ex: US-China conflict, Russia-Ukraine war)
- ❖ Intensifying hegemonic competition for various issues like tech., environment and energy, beyond military & economic interest

## ① Security in supply chains

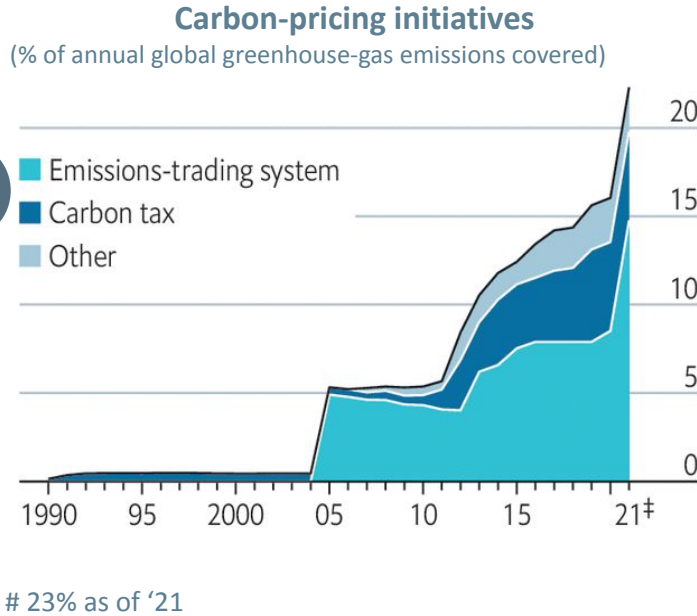
- Importance of stable sourcing of core tech. & components/parts growing bigger with heightened economic security and carbon neutrality after pandemic



\* Global value chain is value-added-led concept, global supply chain is supply/production flow-led concept

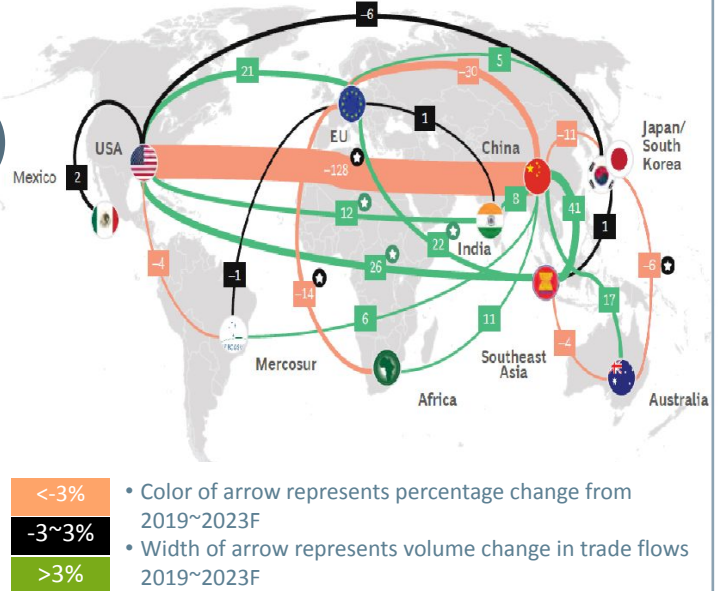
## ② Expanded impact of carbon pricing

- Cross-border measures (ex. CBAM) in line with adoption of carbon tax & ETS



## ③ Structural change in global trade

- Contracted global trade with changing supply chains, but robust intra-trade





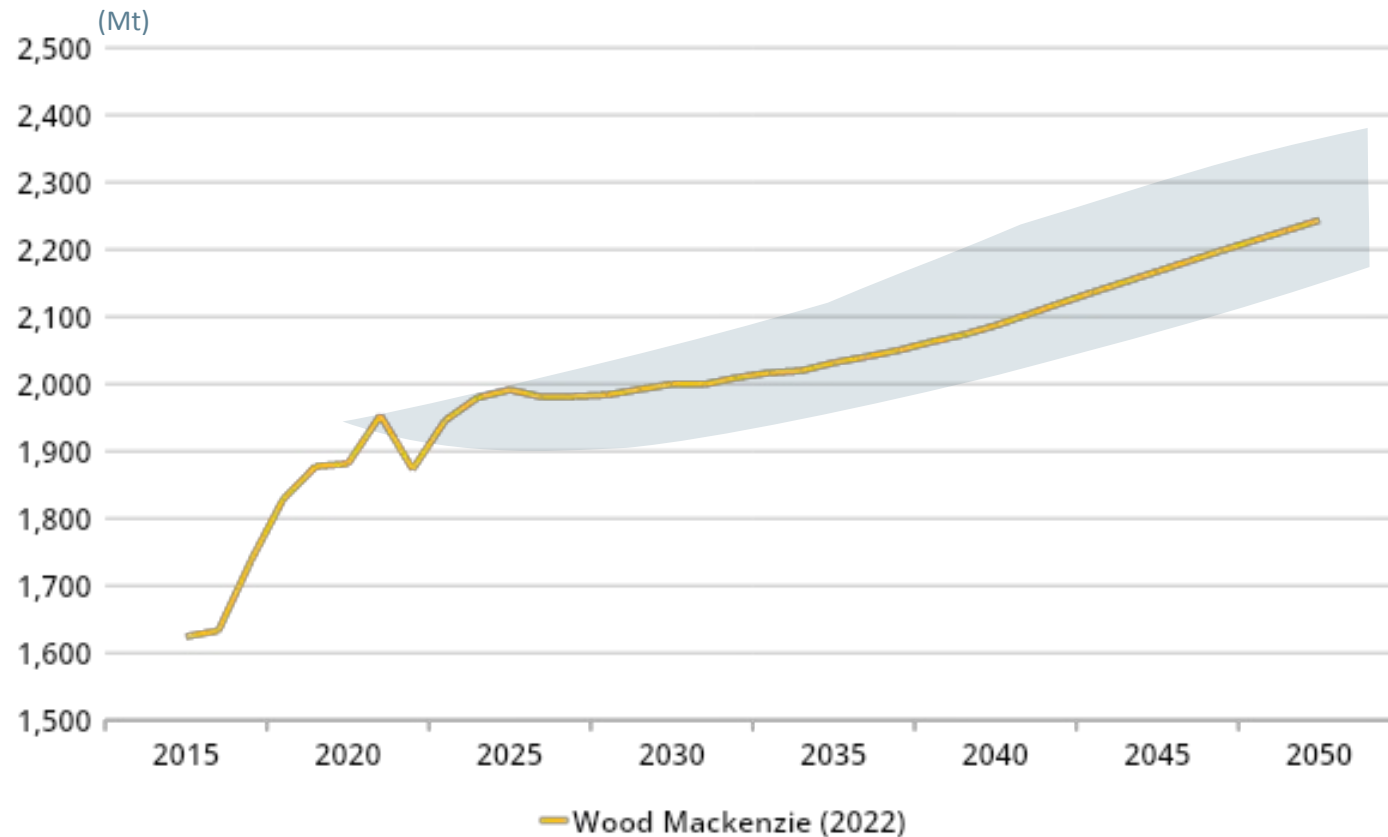
# Future of steelmaking technology and raw material requirement

## 1. Evolution of Green Steelmaking

# Long-term global steel production required to meet both market needs and carbon reduction

- ❖ Despite carbon neutrality trend, crude steel production to reach 2.2-2.4 bil. tonnes by '50 with modest growth of steel demand
- ❖ Liable to reduce carbon emissions required by a society despite production increase

[ Global crude steel production forecast ]



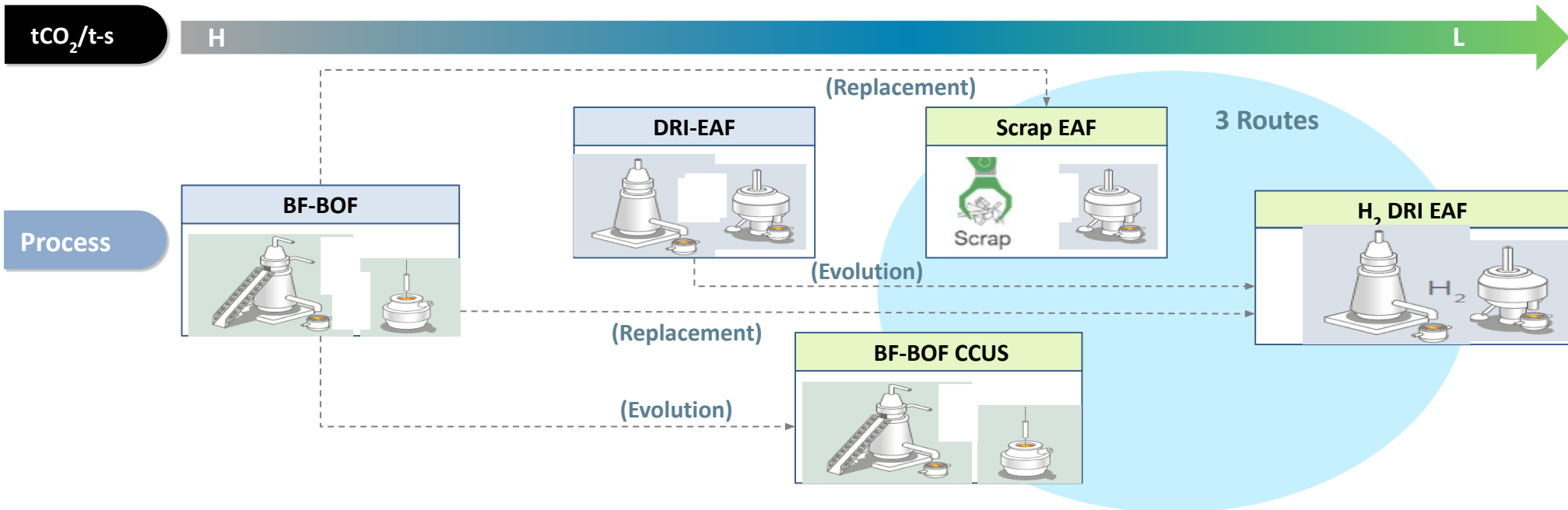
### Global crude steel production ('20-'50)

- ❖ **Various institutions** : Project modest growth of about 1% annually next 30 years to 2.2-2.4 billion tonnes in '50. China's crude steel production to peak between '20~ '30
- ❖ **Wood Mackenzie** : Forecasts China's crude steel production peaking in '20 to reach 804 Mt in '50 under zero carbon initiative ('70), and India and SEA's production replacing China's after '40

Source : Wood Mackenzie('22.6.)

### 3 routes of steelmaking process to promote carbon neutrality

- ❖ Carbon reduction method by timeline : Process optimization (~'30) → Carbon reduction (~'50) → Carbon neutral ('50~)
- ❖ Cost advantage is the top priority for steel industry → Future competitiveness to be determined by low-cost sourcing of raw materials & energy and high energy efficiency of facilities



	BF-BOF	DRI-EAF	BF-BOF CCUS	Scrap EAF	H <sub>2</sub> DRI EAF
<b>KSF</b>	Facilities going bigger and consolidated	Natural gas procurement cost	Economic feasibility for CCUS tech. (power use, capture rate)	Scrap sourcing cost, thin-slab casting & rolling	Green energy procurement, operation efficiency, & unit scale-up
Future issues (Competitive edge)	Carbon tax, Coal price volatility	Carbon tax, NG price volatility	Commercial feasibility, CO <sub>2</sub> removal rate	Stable supply of renewable E., Limit in high-end steel quality	Stable supply of DR pellet, Limit in 100% H <sub>2</sub> operations



1. Evolution of Green Steelmaking – Delivering circularity

# Steel as a key material to the transition to a circular economy

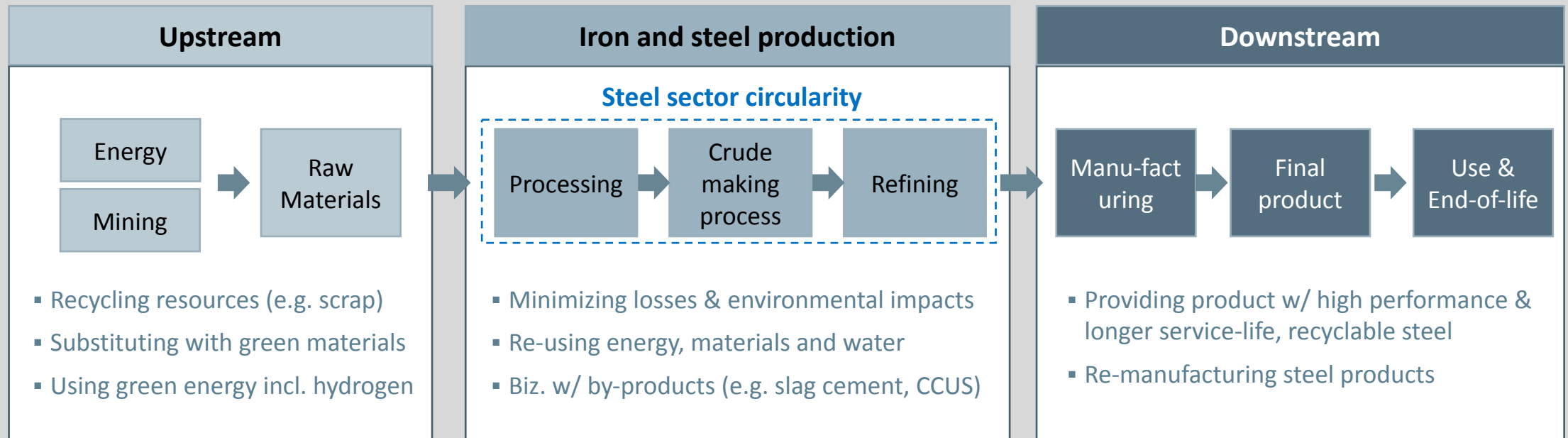
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- **Linear Economy:** Natural resources are turned into products that are ultimately destined to become waste. This process is summarized by “**take, make, waste**”.

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- **Circular Economy:** Creating a closed-loop economic system that involves the process of ‘**reuse, remanufacturing, recycling and reduce**’ in pursuit of no waste

## The circular economy and the steel industry value chain

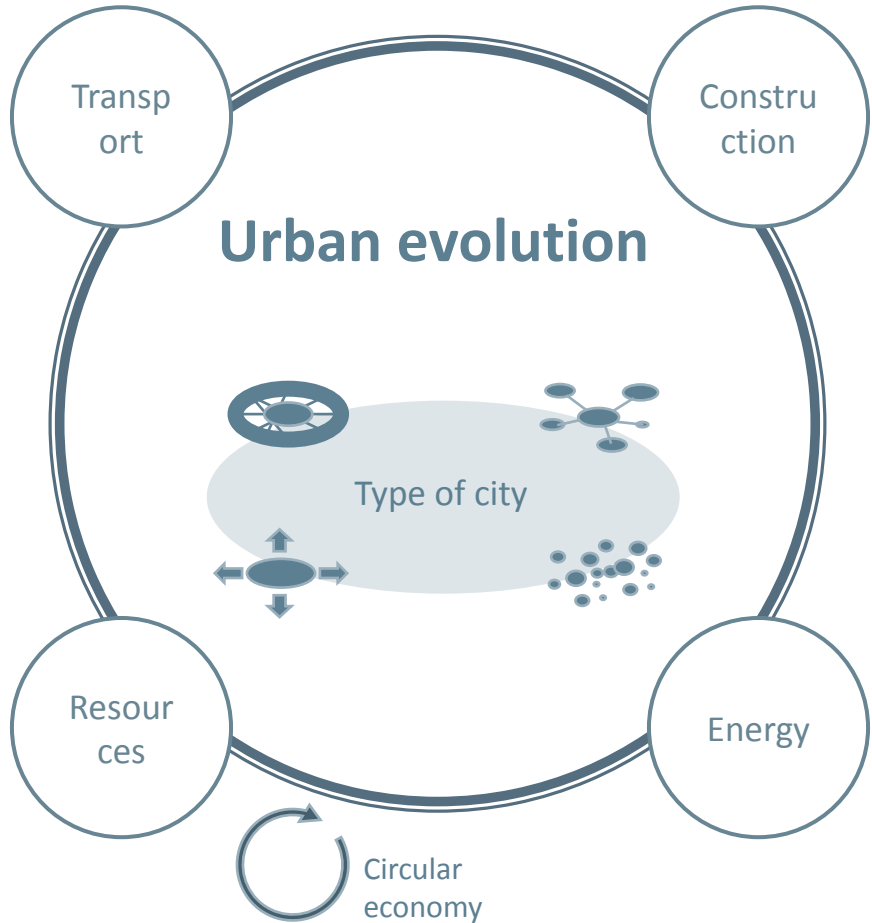
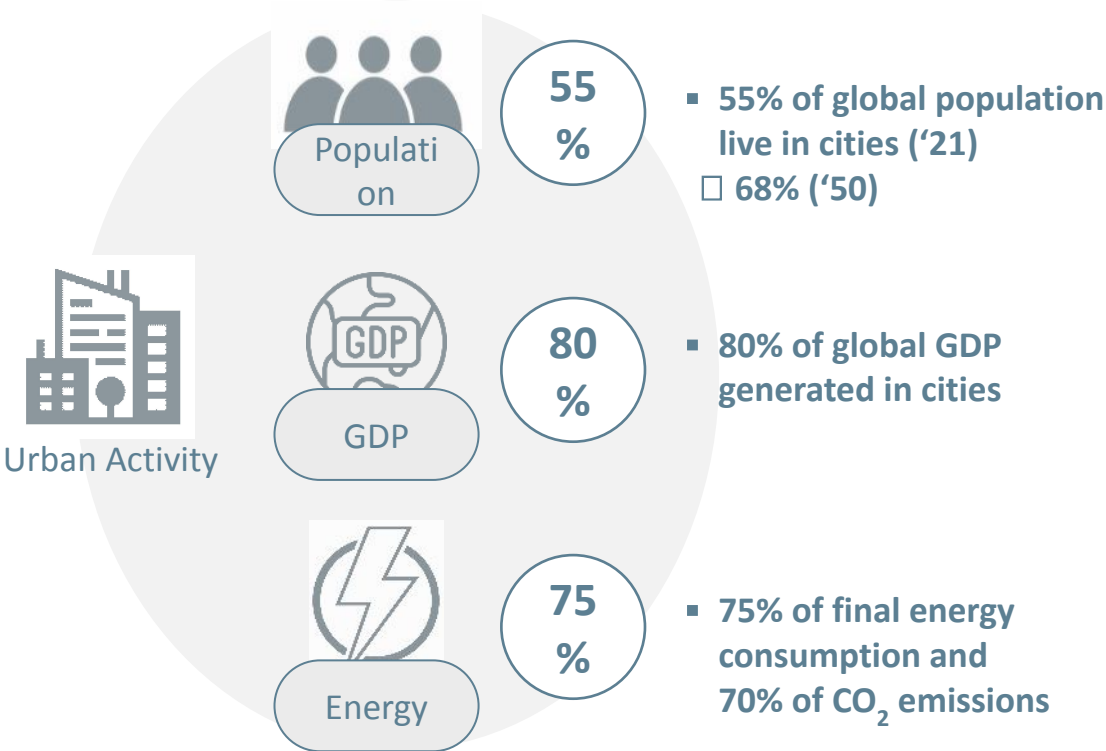






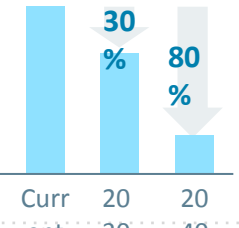


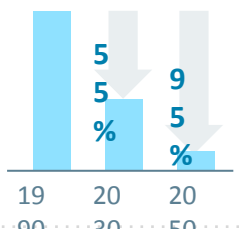
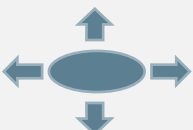

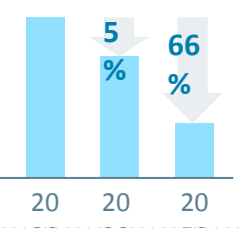


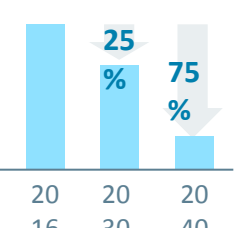
# Future of urban development

# Why cities are important?

A city is a hub where energy, materials and infra. are utilized and interconnected with each other through mobility, logistics, and networks



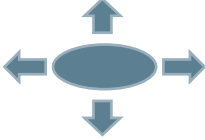


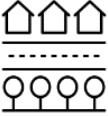


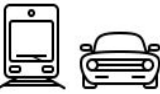









# Differentiated changes in construction, mobility, and energy landscape are expected in each city archetype

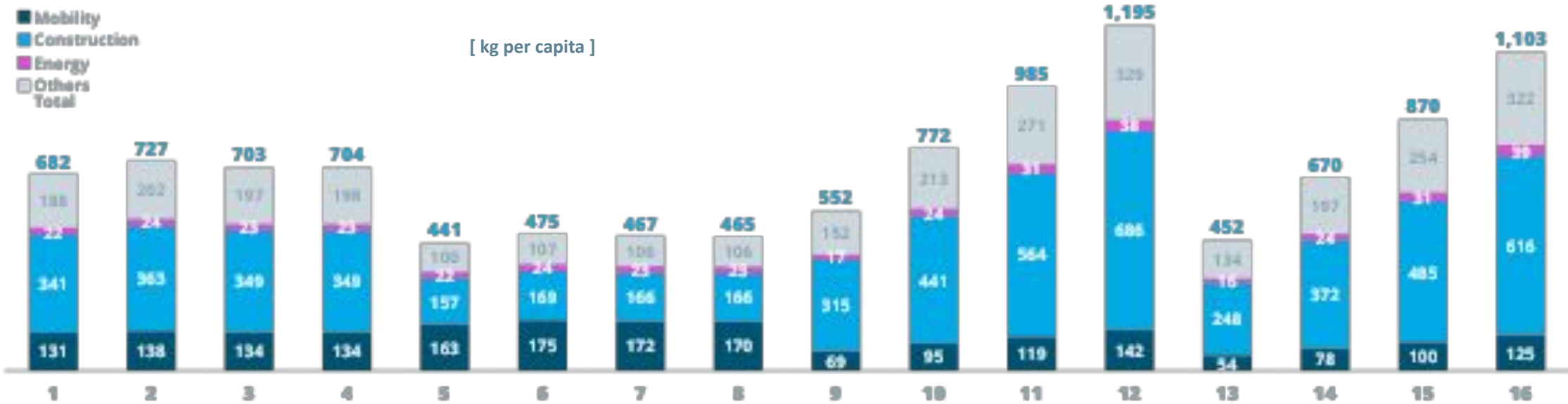
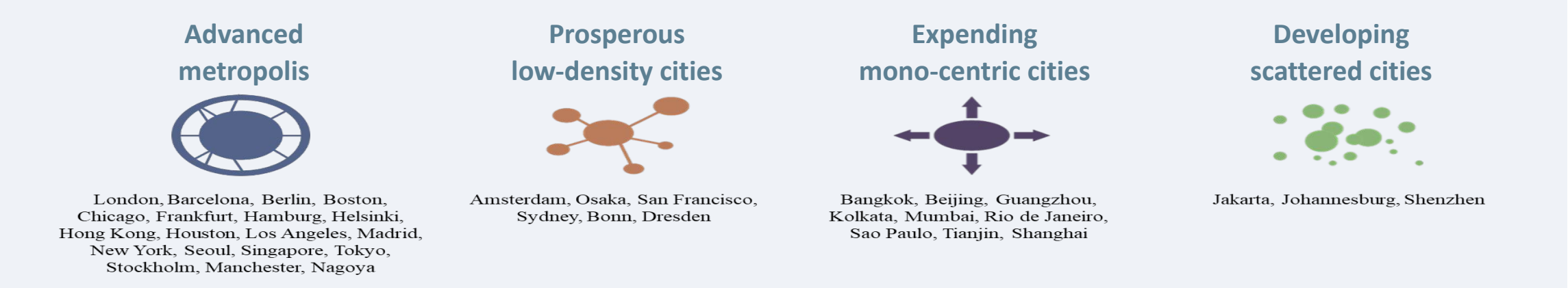
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\* The detailed information of each city planning roadmap for 2050 is provided in the appendices

# Future construction, mobility & energy landscape differ by city archetypes

Type of city	Advanced Metropolises	Prosperous low-density cities	Expanding mono-centric cities	Developing scattered cities
	 <p>✓ <u>New York, London, Paris, Hong Kong</u></p>	 <p>✓ <u>SF, Amsterdam, Brussels, Bonn</u></p>	 <p>✓ <u>Beijing, Bangkok, Mumbai, Istanbul</u></p>	 <p>✓ <u>Johannesburg, Manila, Rio de Janeiro</u></p>
Construction	 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• High density city and low density suburb</li> </ul>	 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Infra, network planned first &amp; developed later</li> </ul>	 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• High rise, high density city (compact, efficient land use)</li> </ul>	 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Low rise cheap housing, unmanaged development</li> </ul>
Mobility	 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Public transport + private car (intra-city connectivity)</li> </ul>	 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Public transport+ active mobility</li> </ul>	 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Public transport such as bus and taxi</li> </ul>	 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Poor public transport access (intercity bus)</li> </ul>
Energy	 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Complex power grid system</li> </ul>	 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Independent, dispersed energy production &amp; consumption</li> </ul>	 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Compact energy consumption for residential and commercial buildings</li> </ul>	 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Obsolete grid system, insufficient power system</li> </ul>

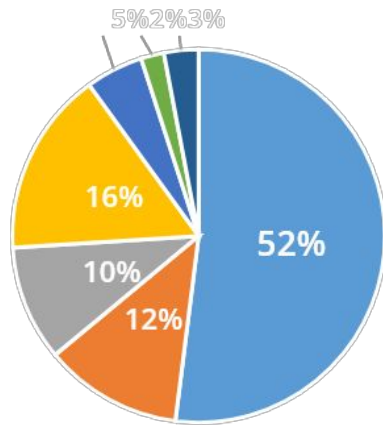
Pattern of steel use differ by city type – steel use saturates in developed cities whereas construction, mobility and energy material hike in developing cities



\* A model using worldsteel’s apparent steel use forecast data, country-sector distribution proportional to GRDP(Gross Regional Domestic Product)

# Construction uses more than half of global steel, but the current steel market share in construction is still low

Steel use by industry  
(Global steel use 1,768 Mt)



- Building and Infrastructure
- Automotive
- Metal products
- Mechanical equipment
- Other transport
- Domestic appliances
- Electrical equipment

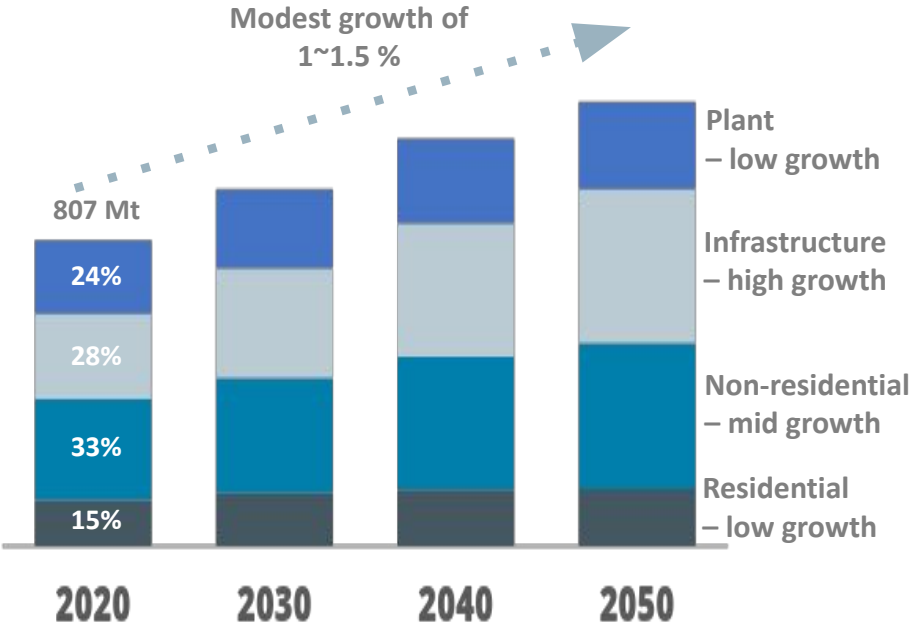
Construction market segment and its market size (% of total)	Steel market share within each market (% of total)	Segment contribution to steel market share (% of total)
<b>Building (70%)</b>	Residential (40%)	10%
	Commercial & Business (15%)	40%
	Industry (15%)	60%
<b>Infrastructure (30%)</b>	Bridge (5%)	20%
	Road (10%)	5%
	Railway (5%)	40%
	Airport (3%)	15%
	Port (7%)	25%
<b>Steel market share in global construction industry</b>		<b>24.70</b>

Source: worldsteel, "The Opportunity of Constructsteel" (2022 POSCO Forum), modified by POSRI

# Steel demand for construction still to grow with its eco-friendliness and easy composition w/ other materials, though competing w/ concrete and future materials

- ❖ Trends in modular building design, digital 3D construction, and growing infrastructure (in particular, the construction of super long bridges and high-speed railways) with high steel intensity points to continuous growth in steel use in construction

[Steel demand potential by construction type (Mt)]



Steel demand growth depending on construction growth & steel intensity

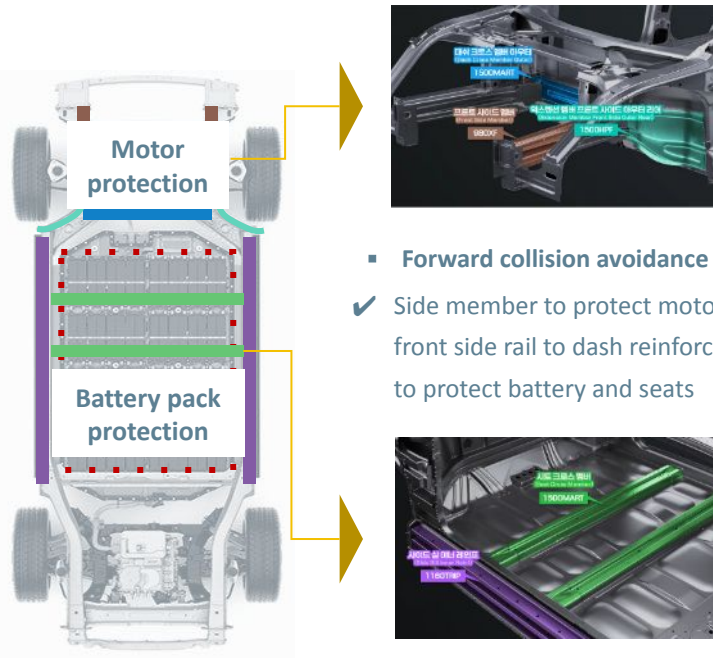
(vs. average)	Residential	Non-residential	Infra.	Plant
Steel intensity	Low	High	High	High
Construction growth	Low	Mid	High	Low
Steel demand growth	Low	Mid	High	Low



# Despite fierce competition for light-weight materials, steel maintaining strong advantage with its clean process, recyclability and economic features

## Reinforcement through electrification

- ✓ Reinforcement to protect battery pack & motor
  - Hot power fusion (HPF), aluminum profile

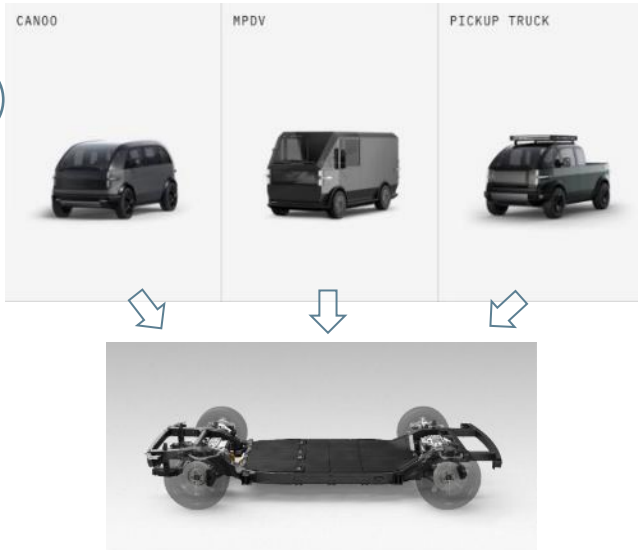


- Forward collision avoidance
- ✓ Side member to protect motor, front side rail to dash reinforcement to protect battery and seats

- Battery pack protection
- ✓ Side seal reinforcement for side collision, cross member reinforcement to hold up the flooring and prevent torsion

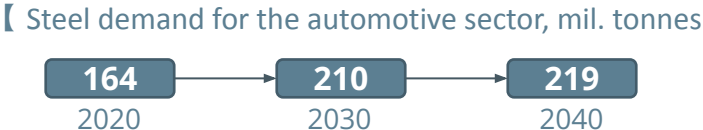
## Change by modular design

- ✓ Platform for purpose built vehicle (PBV)
  - Various PBVs on common platform
  - Autonomous shuttle & robot taxi platform
  - Ladder frame for SUVs & pickup truck

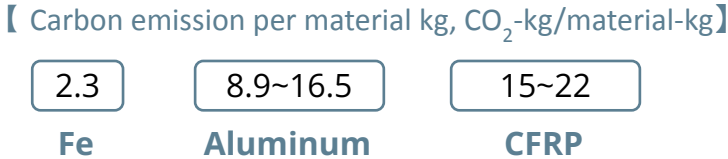


## Automotive materials future

- ✓ Material diversification
  - Steel taking upper hand with rising importance of clean process and recycling
  - Rising share of light-weight materials



Source : POSRI forecast



Source : Aluminum Association('13), worldsteel('10), Nikkei auto

Lightweight material portion (of aluminum and plastics) may rise as EVs and AVs need longer range

Steel still stays as a mainstream material as it has superior cost competitiveness with lower carbon footprint and recyclability

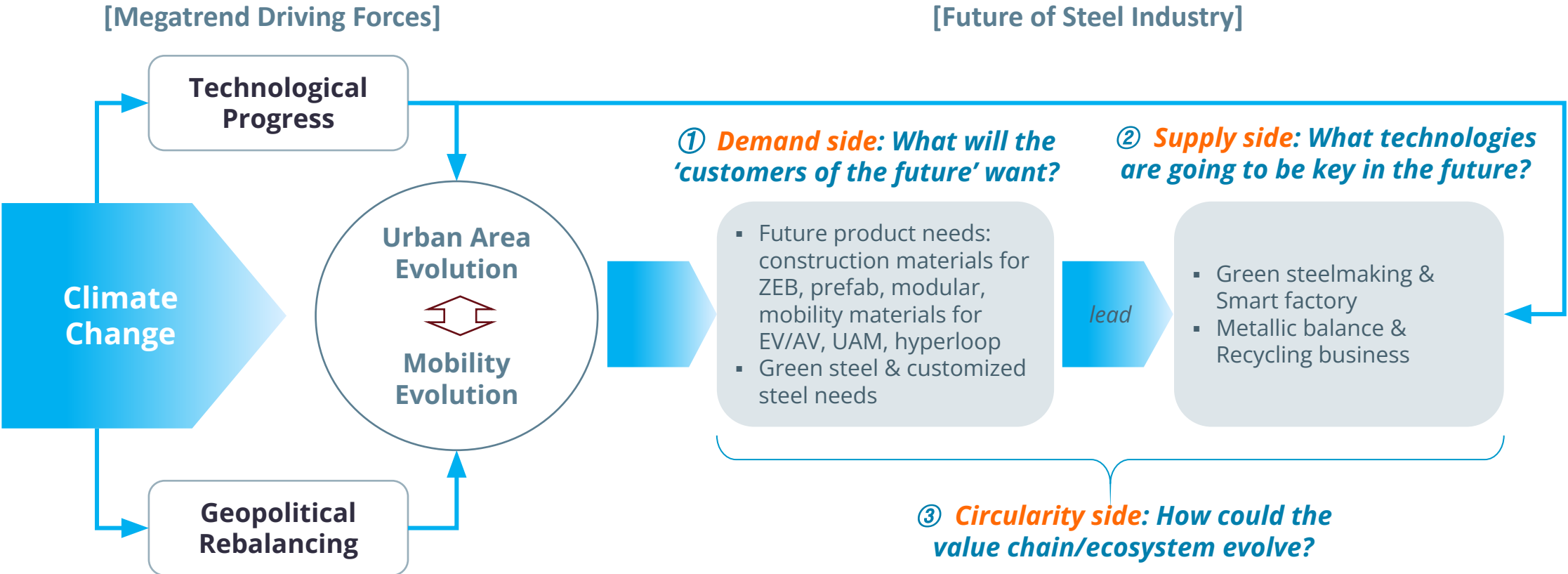


Vision and agenda for a sustainable  
and resilient global steel industry

1. Future Tasks

# How steel business will thrive under rapidly changing urban area and mobility landscape?

Sustainable and resilient steelmaker: Eco-friendly and digital producer of smart, green and customized solutions





# Thank you!

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