



# Research and Development Strategy for Green Innovation

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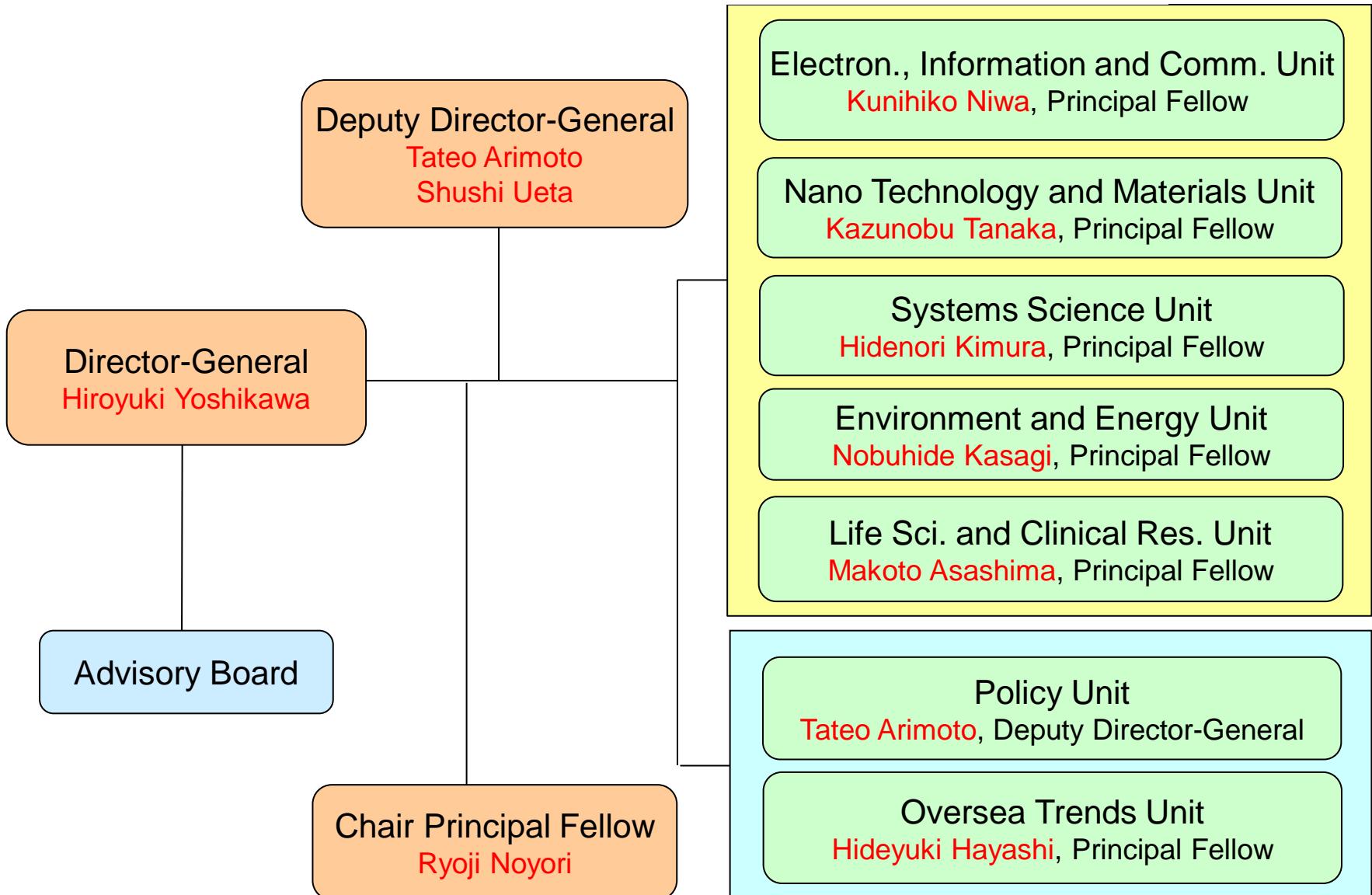
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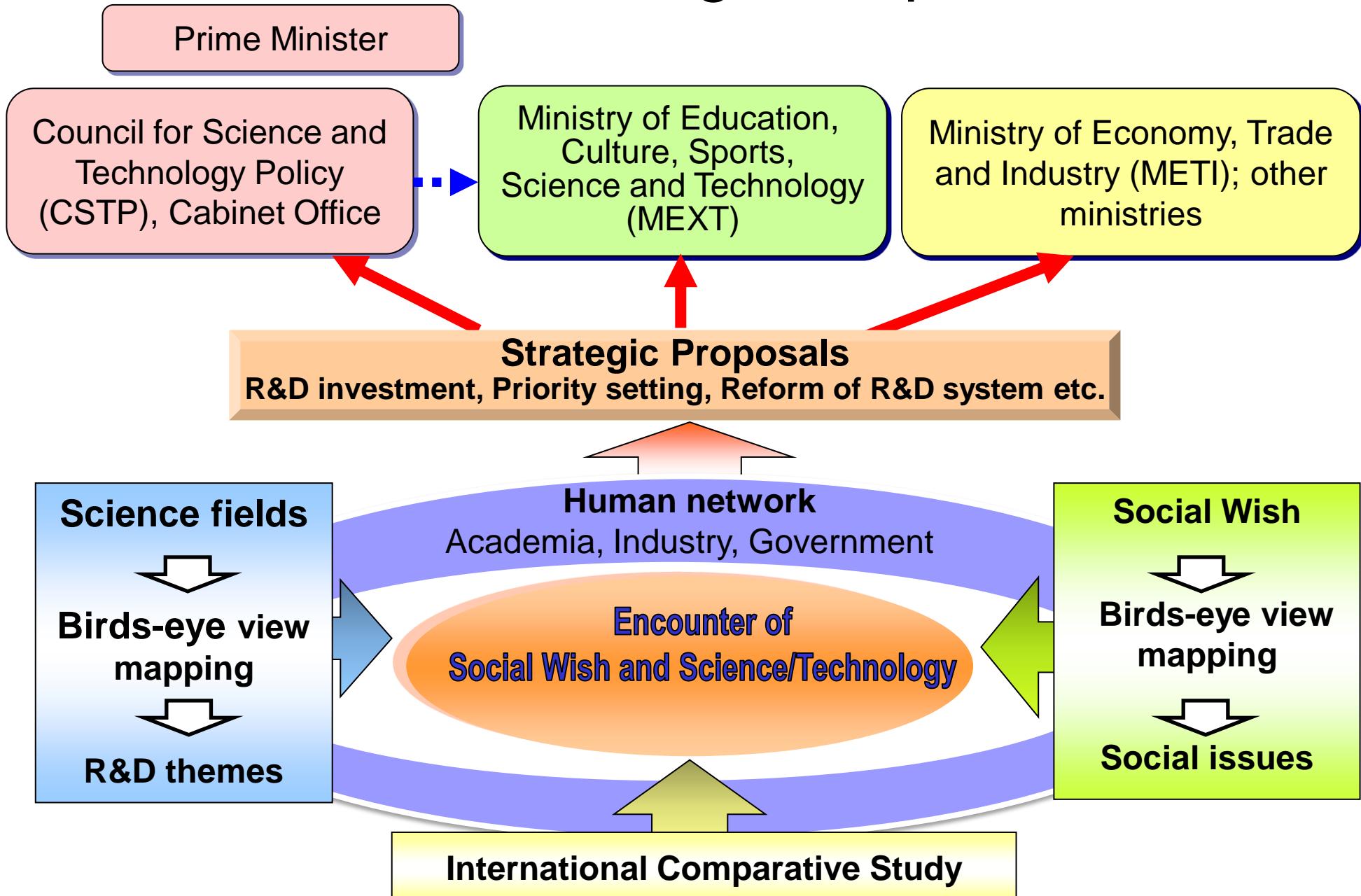
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# Organization of CRDS



(44 full-time and 19 part-time staffs)

# CRDS Strategic Proposal



# Convergence of Knowledge for “Science for Society”

(ICSU, Budapest, 1999)

- Basic and applied research designed by knowing **social wishes**  
Cf. Curiosity-driven basic scientific research independent of social wishes
- Social wish as **design specification** for research, and need to identify currently latent social wishes
- Issue-driven research for offering solution and measures to society through **Collection**, **Connection** and **Convergence** (3C) of knowledge

# Overview of the 4<sup>th</sup> S&T Basic Plan (Aug 19, 2011)

## Sustainable growth and development toward the future

Japan aims for realization of restoration and reconstruction from the disaster and promotion of STI toward sustainable growth and development of society in the future.

### Restoration and reconstruction

To stabilize living of the people in the devastated area and reconstruct business and industries:

- 1) Restore and reconstruct the industries of the disaster-stricken region.
- 2) Restore and reconstruct the social infrastructure.
- 3) Realize safety living of the disaster-stricken region

### Green Innovation

Toward low-carbon, circulating and sustainable society co-existing with nature and of good living standards for citizens:

- 1) Realize stable and low-carbon energy supply
- 2) Highly efficient and smart use of energy
- 3) Green the social infrastructure

### Life Innovation

Toward health-oriented nation, where the people are vigorous in body and in mind and can feel the affluence and achieve a sense of fulfillment of being alive.

- 1) Develop innovative preventive care
- 2) Develop new early diagnostic method
- 3) Realize safe and highly effective treatment
- 4) Improve quality of life (QOL) for elderly, people with disabilities and patients

### System reforms to promote STI

- ✓ Set up the “Science, Technology and Innovation Strategy Council” (tentative name) for the better collaboration among the industry, academia and government
- ✓ Create “a network of knowledge” among government, industry and academia
- ✓ Establish “an open-innovation platform”
- ✓ Promote intellectual property strategy and international standardization strategy

# 2013 Action Plan for Green Innovation

(currently under discussion by Science, Technology and Innovation Strategy Council)

Vision: Sustainable society of advanced energy utilization  
co-existing with nature

## A) Securement of steady clean energy supply

- Massive introduction of renewable energy by technological renovation

## B) Active promotion of distributed energy systems

- R&D on innovative energy production/storage technology
- Smarter energy management

## C) Renovation of energy utilization systems

- Drastic reduction energy consumption by technology innovation

## D) Green social infrastructure

- Local green community co-existing with nature

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# General Strategy of CRDS

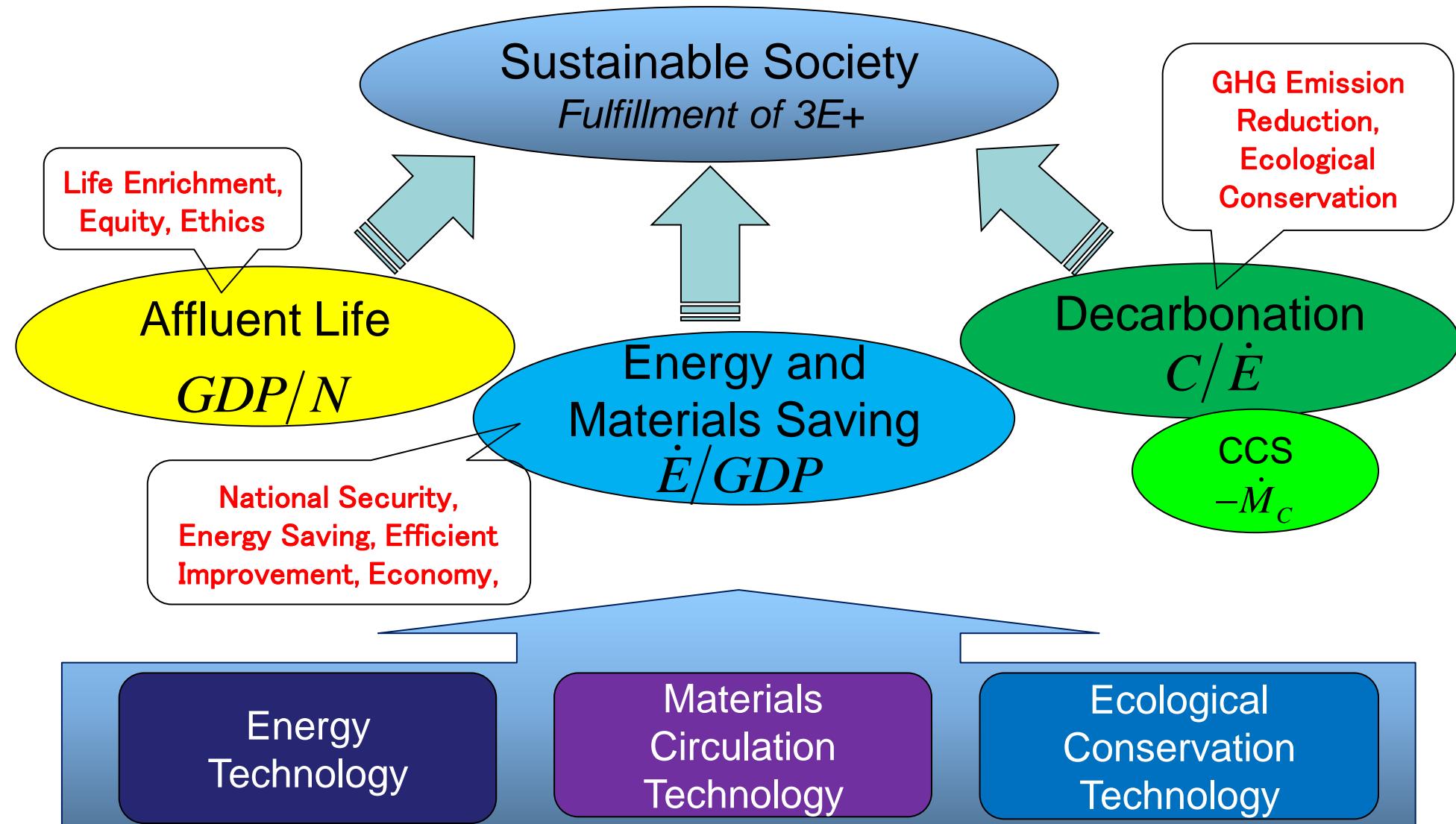
1. Focus on 3E+
2. Short-, mid- and long-term R&D goals
3. **Basic scientific rules and principles** of energy utilization under the constraints of environment and resources
4. **Cross discipline** collaboration based on a shared perspective view
5. **Network of excellence (cf. COE)** and collaboration between industry, academia and government with participation of younger researchers

# Strategic Planning of R&D on Advanced Energy Technologies

## 1. Relevance of Energy Technologies

- Linking science to innovation, economic growth and social welfare
- Common wish to fulfill requirement of “*stable, safe and sustainable energy supply with least cost*”
- Contexts of national security and industrial/economic competitiveness at the nation’s level
- Assessment of energy technology options from three viewpoints of 3E+

# STI for Society and the Environment



# Assessment Indices for Technology Options

Energy Security	Environment (Safety)	Economy (Cost)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Resource reserve (geophysical/geopolitical distribution), Reserve-production ratio (fossil and nuclear fuels)</li> <li>• Security and stability of resource feedstock (import dependence, independent development)</li> <li>• Stability of international market fuel price</li> <li>• Time-dependent fluctuation, rates of availability and operation (natural energy resources)</li> <li>• Rate of plant operation (periods of inspection and repair)</li> <li>• Response to load fluctuations</li> <li>• Disaster countermeasures and energy supply to isolated areas</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Climate change (GHG)</li> <li>• Radioactive wastes, radioactive contamination (nuclear power)</li> <li>• Atmospheric contamination (NOx, SOx, soot, particulates), Ozone layer destruction (CFC), thermal discharge</li> <li>• Compatibility to food production, Condensation of specific molecules (N, P) (biomass, biofuels)</li> <li>• Impacts on ecology and biodiversity</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• LCA, energy profit ratio, energy payback time</li> <li>• Fuel costs (mining, transformation, transportation, storage), material cost, energy price, electric power price</li> <li>• Business continuity stability against fuel price fluctuation</li> <li>• Costs for R&amp;D, equipment, plant construction, land, installation, environmental countermeasures</li> <li>• Length of periods for environmental assessment and construction</li> <li>• Costs for maintenance, waste processing, decommissioning</li> <li>• Costs for countermeasures to terrorism and disaster, recovery cost and time, compensation</li> <li>• Economical impact as energy industry (energy equipment, electric power market, fuel businesses), employment</li> </ul>

# Social Wish in Different Regional Contexts

	Japan	East Asia	World
Stable and sustainable supply	National security	Harmonization	Sustainability
Environment <sup>1</sup> (Generalized safety)	Eagerness to safety and security	Technology transfer and environmental conservation	Consensus formation (Climate change prevention)
Growth and prosperity <sup>2</sup> (Competitive economy, better life)	Sustainable prosperity	Economic cooperation	Equity

1. Difference between time scales of climate change and disaster
2. Economic growth (quantitative expansion) vs. social prosperity (qualitative development)

# Strategic Planning of R&D on Advanced Energy Technologies

## 2. Structuring Focal Areas and Research Themes

# Perspective View of Social Wishes, Target Technologies and Scientific Research

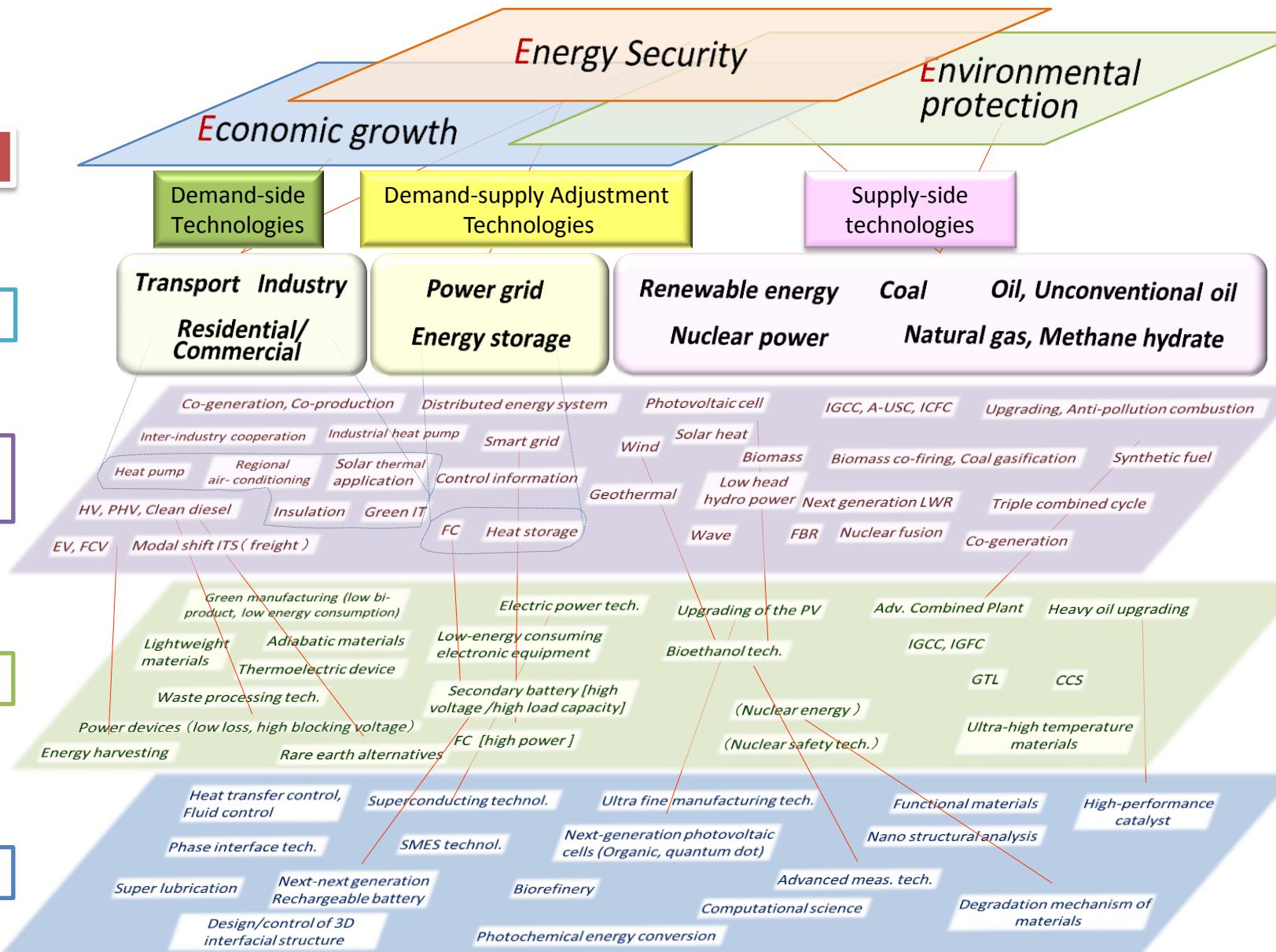
Societal needs

Technology Areas

Target Technology

Applied Research

Basic Research



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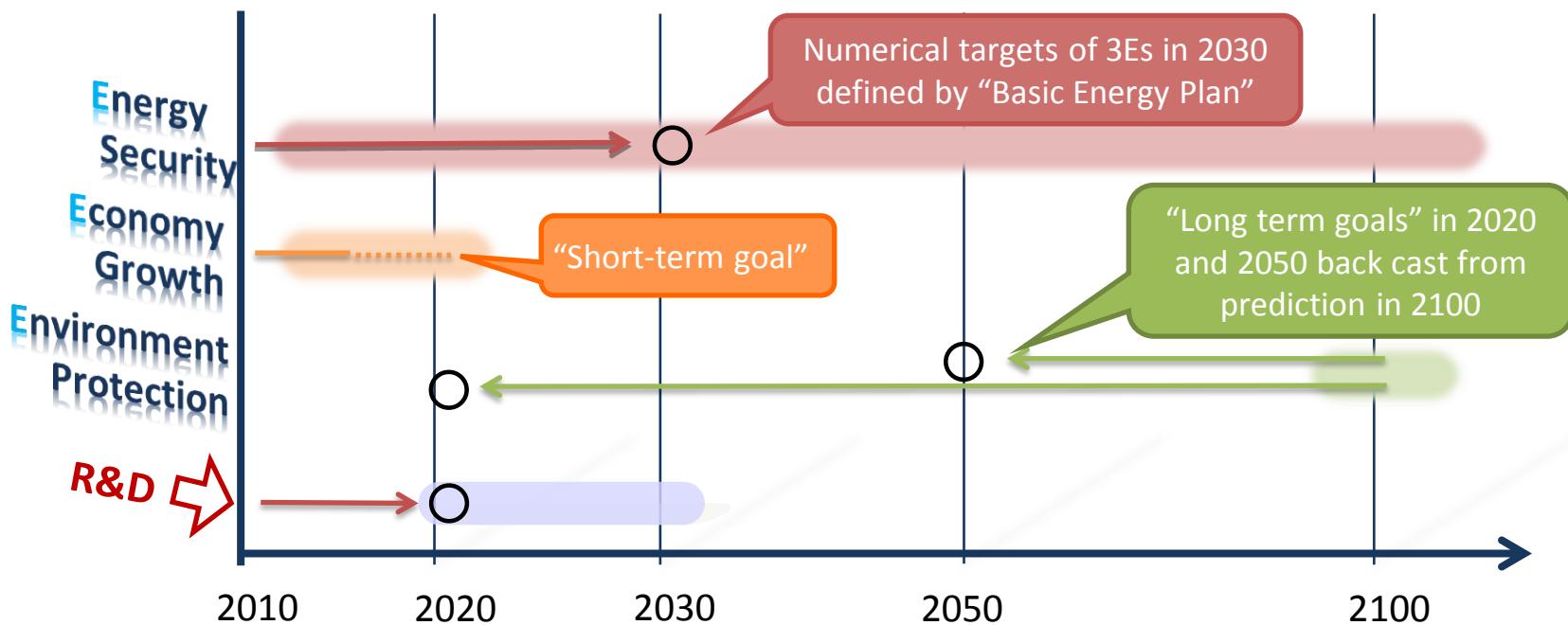
## 2. Structuring Focal Areas and Research Themes

- Hierarchical structures with different layers of societal needs, target technologies, scientific research and scientific disciplines
- Upper layer R&D more relevant to societal issues (Needs-pull)
- Lower layer R&D driven by technology breakthrough and basic science (Seeds-push)
- Scientific breakthroughs connected to innovative technologies and social needs in many possible ways

# Strategic Planning of R&D on Advanced Energy Technologies

## 3. Time Axes

- Time scale of R&D dependent on assessment indices
- Timely technology identification, optimal target time setting, R&D policy consistent over 10 to 20 years



# Prioritization of R&D Themes in 2012

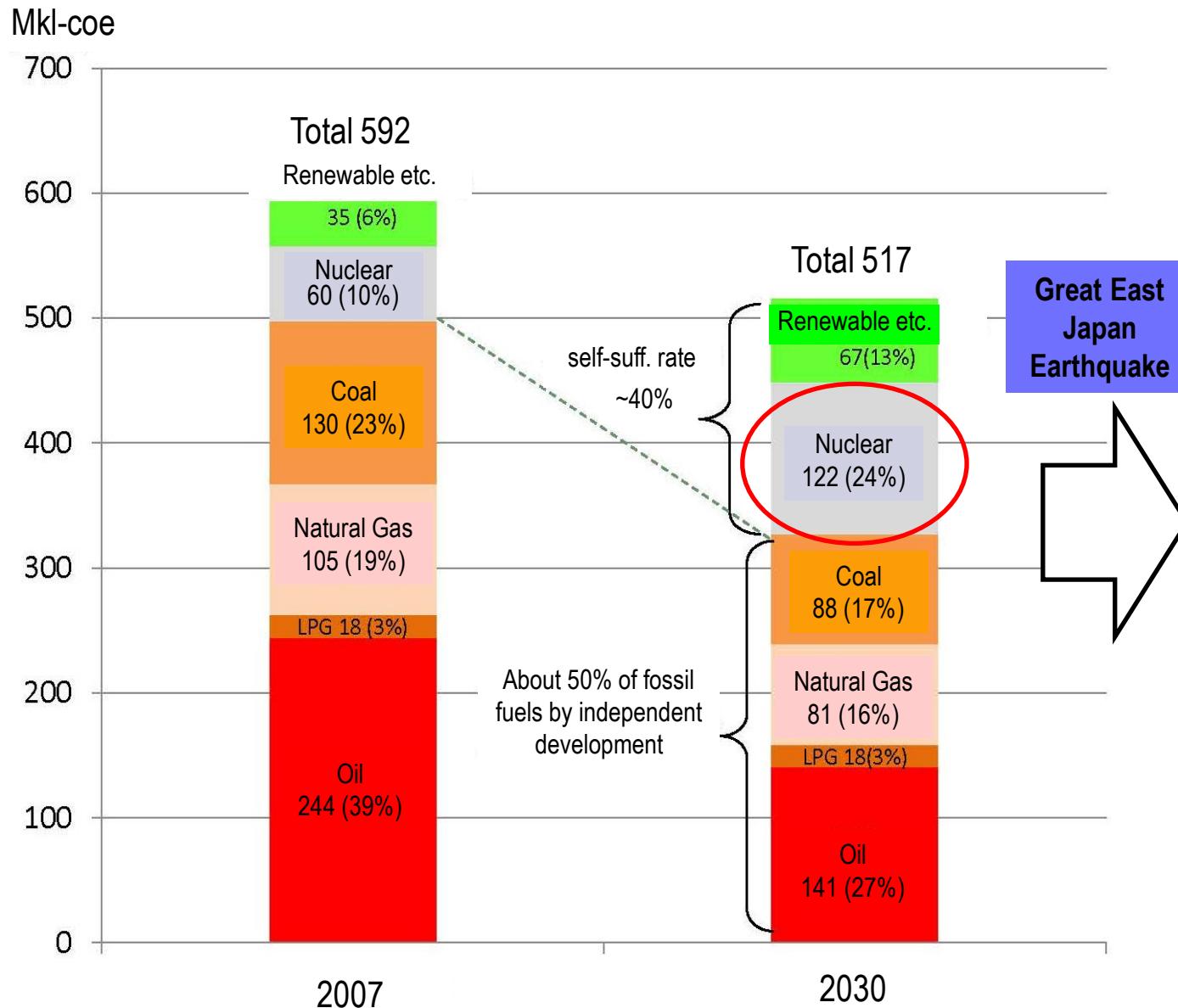
1. Does it meet social wish (national policy)?
  - Contribution to innovation, recovery and restoration, industry competitiveness advocated in the government policy such as 4<sup>th</sup> Basic Sci. Tech Act and the New Growth Strategy
2. Does it make remarkable quantitative impact to energy issues?
3. Does it challenge to core scientific principle and make disruptive change ? (game changing?)
4. Does it cultivate research incentive of young researchers, train them, and contribute to human resource development?
  - Distinguish short-term and mid- to long-term R&D themes
  - Watch negative impact of new science and technology
  - Be aware that energy issues have deep relationship to social and economical aspects, and a new scientific methodology is necessary to quantitatively predict R&D outcomes' influence

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# Strategic R&D Themes Focused by CRDS

1. **Science for energy policy**: Modeling energy technology and economy
2. **Phase interface science** for efficient energy utilization
3. **Energy carriers** for transportation, storage and utilization of renewable energy
4. Analysis and control of ions and electrons in **buttry electrodes**
5. Advanced technology development for medium to low temperature **thermal energy**
6. Technology and system development for utilization of **off-shore natural energy** resources
7. Sustainable **nitrogen circulation**

# Basic Energy Plan: Primary Energy Breakdown in 2030

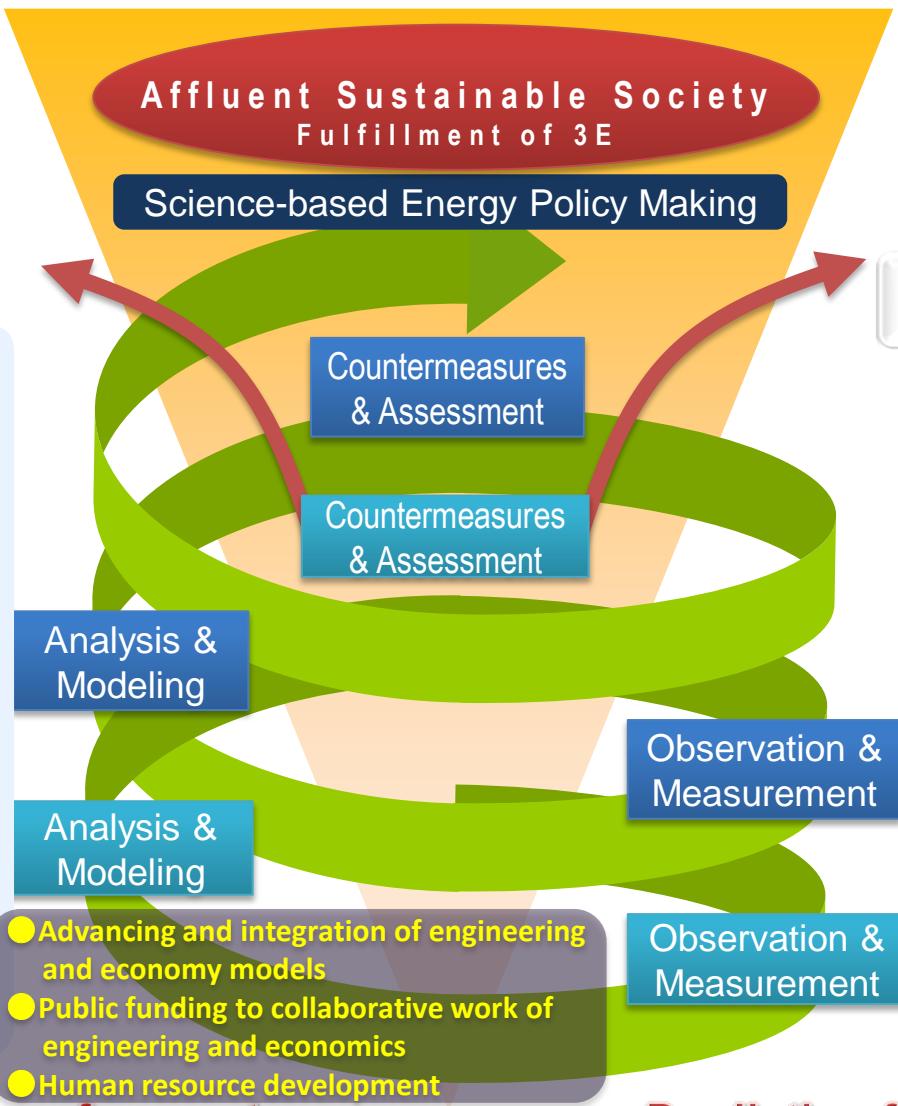
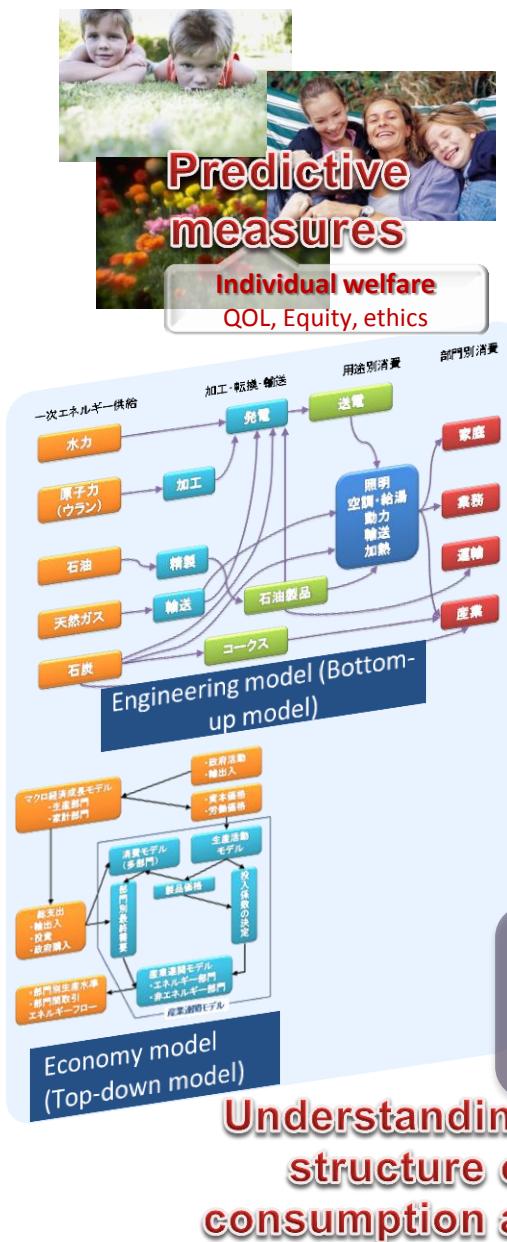


New energy plan options for 2030 with nuclear power fractions of:

- a. 0 %
- b. 5 %
- c. 20~25 %

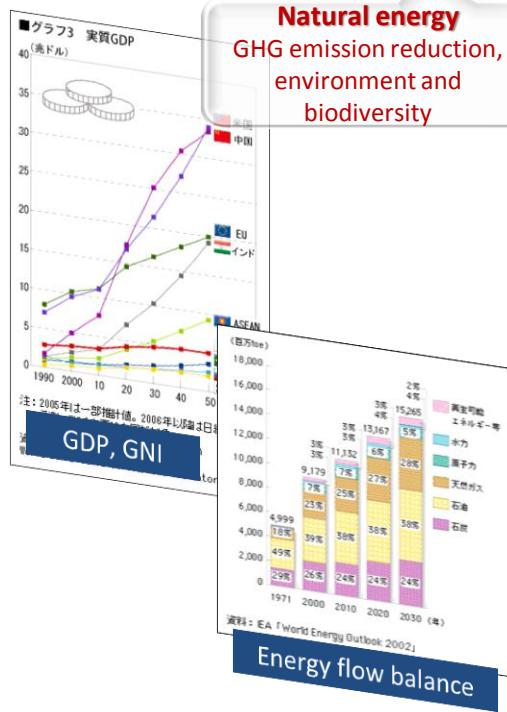
and renewables of 25~35%

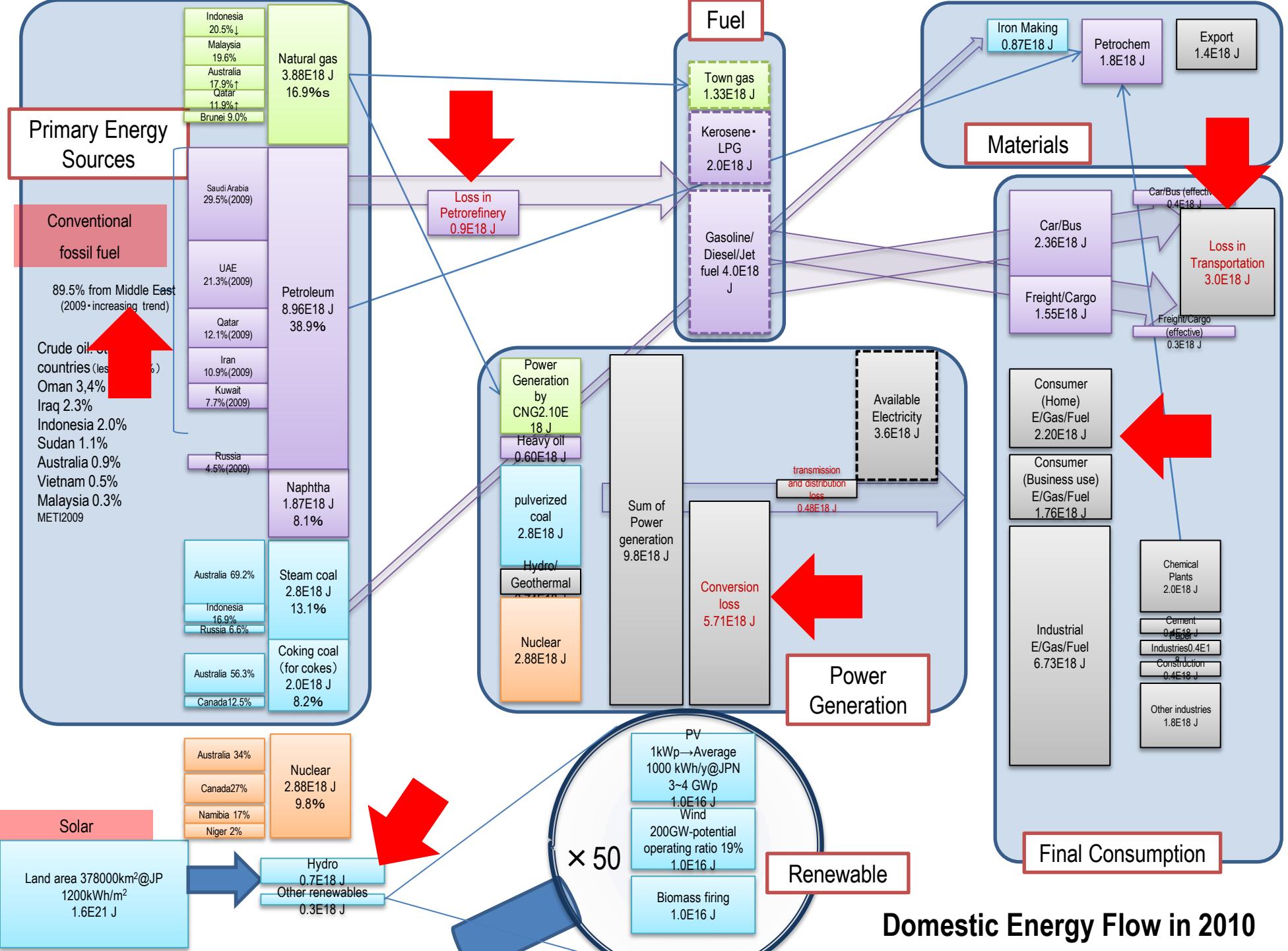
# Science for Energy Policy: R&D on Engineering and Economy Models



## Understanding of current structure of energy consumption and economy

# Predicting future energy flows and economy dynamics





# Emerging S&T Issues

## (1) Securement of resources -- including **risk-hedge**

- Middle east, Australia, Indonesia, Canada and Russia are important countries for Japan's energy security

## (2) Improvement of energy efficiency in power generation sector

Fuel consumption: Electricity of only 3.6 EJ/year from fuels of 9.8 EJ/year (**6.2 EJ/year is missing**)

- IGCC, Ultra Super Critical Steam Turbine, 1700°C Gas Turbine, SOFC etc.
- How to produce and distribute the electricity?

## (3) Increase of energy efficiency in petrochemical division

**More than 10% of loss** as wasted heat

- Recovery of the wasted heat for high energy efficiency distillation

## (4) Reduction of energy loss on board

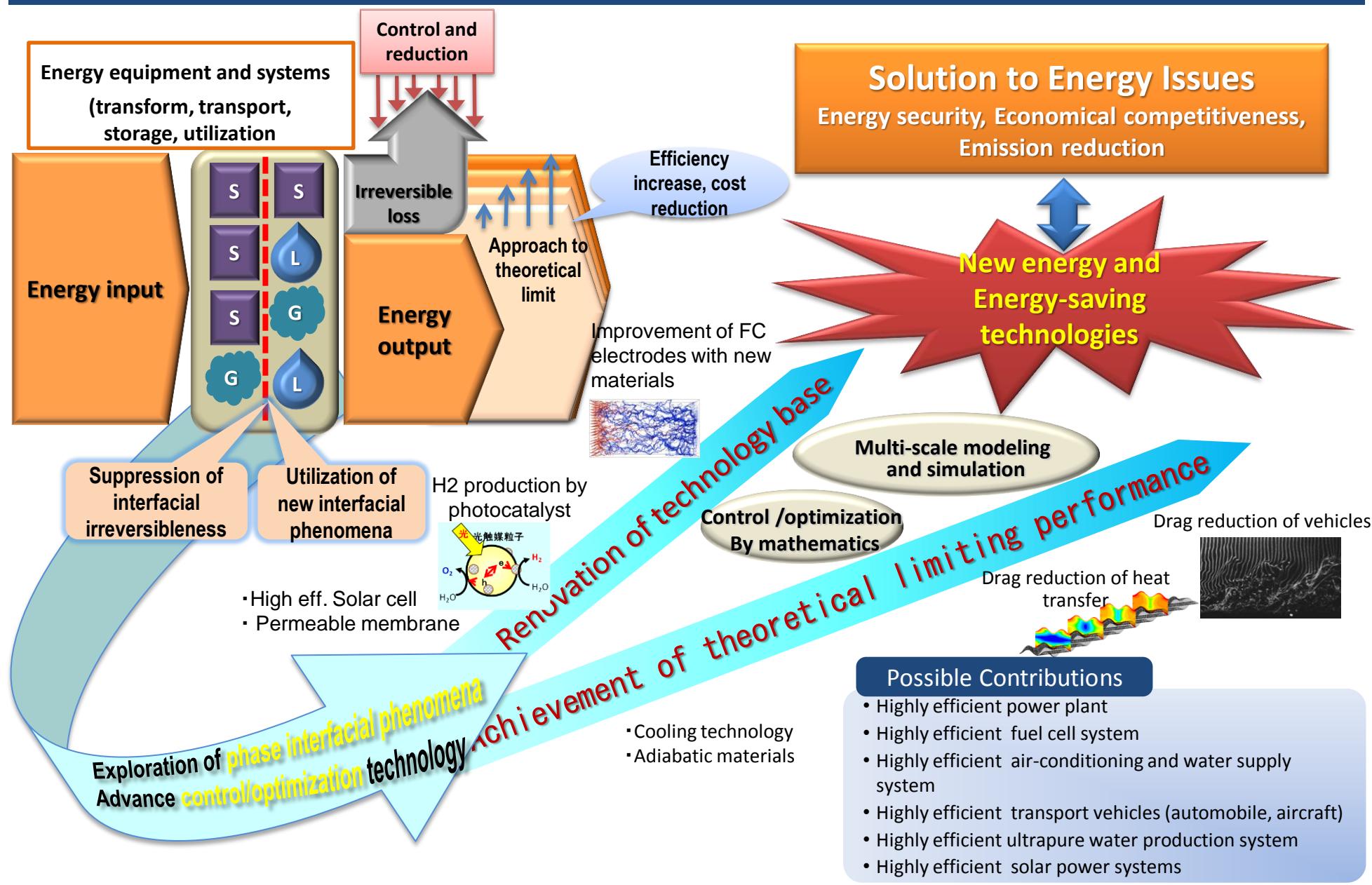
- High efficiency engine, fuel cell, batteries, other technologies including liquid fuel

## (5) Efficient heat supply at **low temperature**

- Heat pumps with high energy efficiency (COP>6), solar heat, thermal energy storage

## (6) Increase the use of **renewable resources**

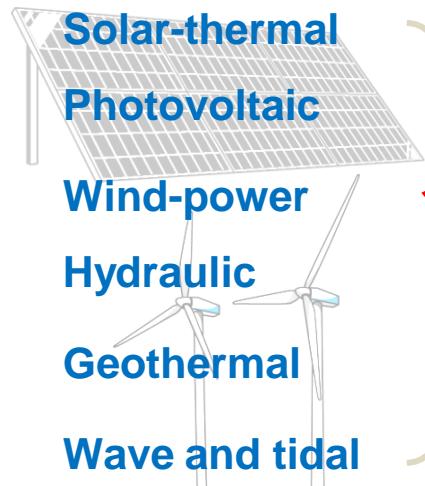
# Phase Interface Science for Energy Efficient Society



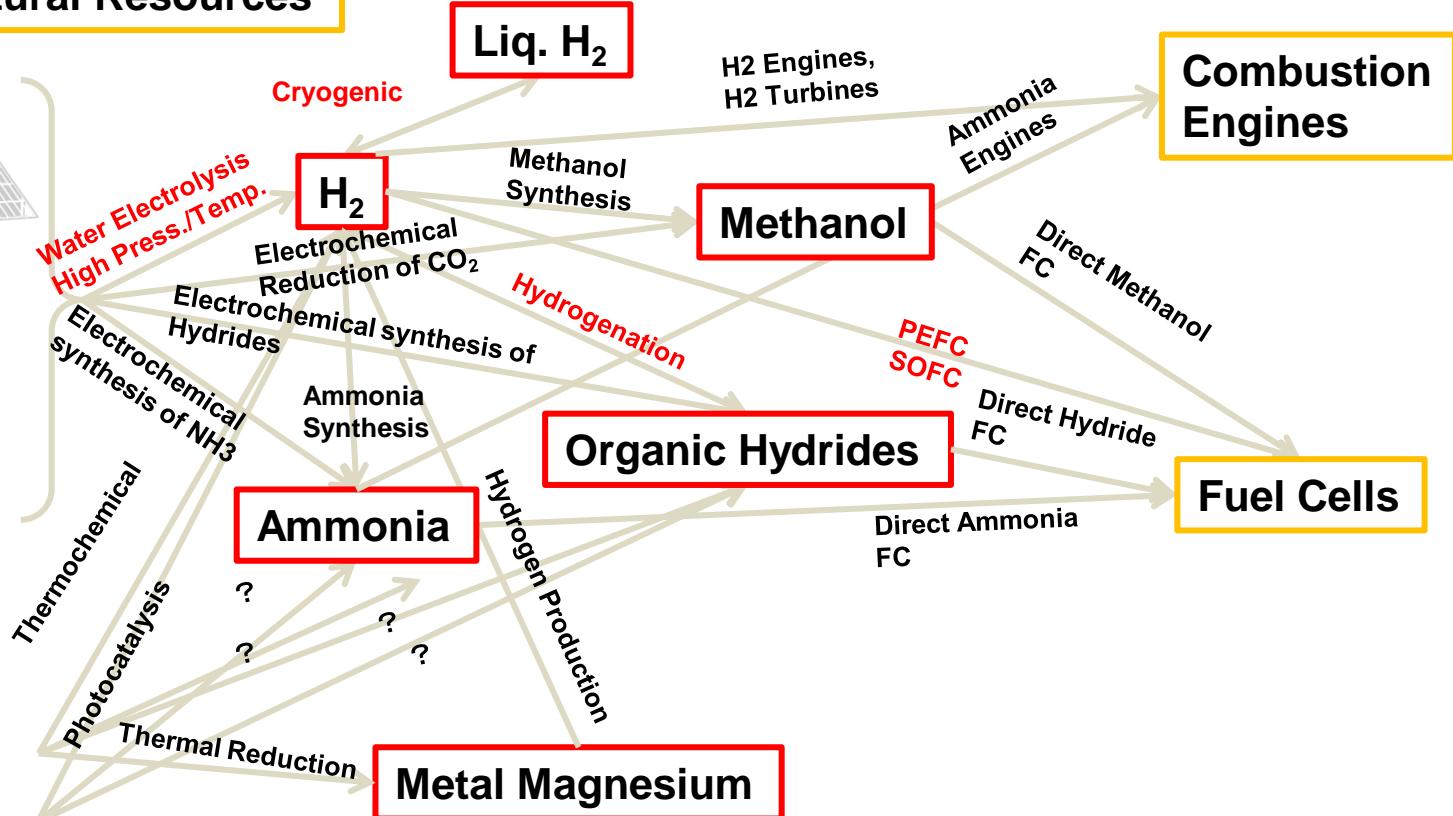
# Renewable Energy Carriers for Transportations, Storages, and Utilizations

1. For international and intercontinental transportations
2. For leveling of natural energy in local regions
3. For house energy systems

## Electricity from Natural Resources

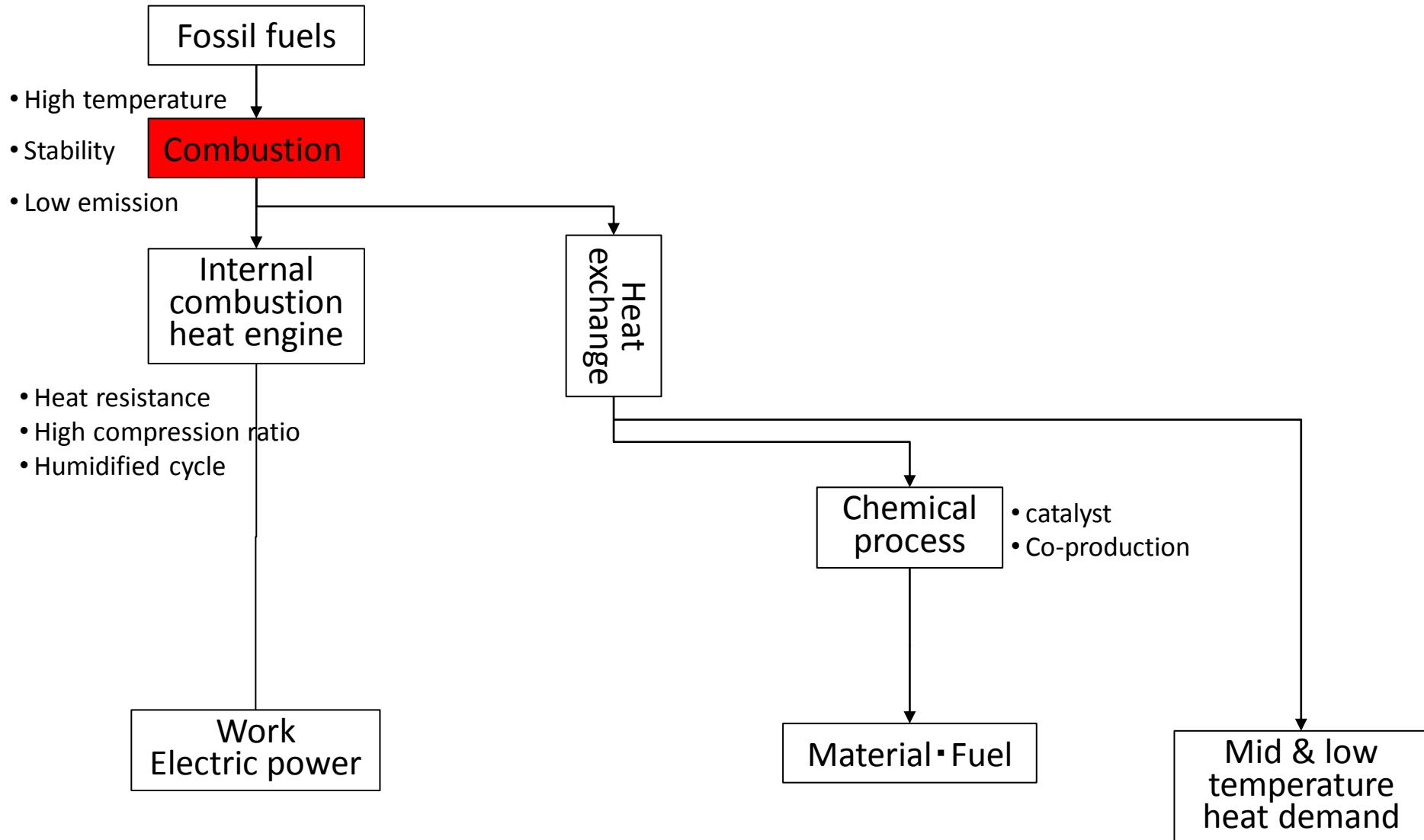


## Solar Energy



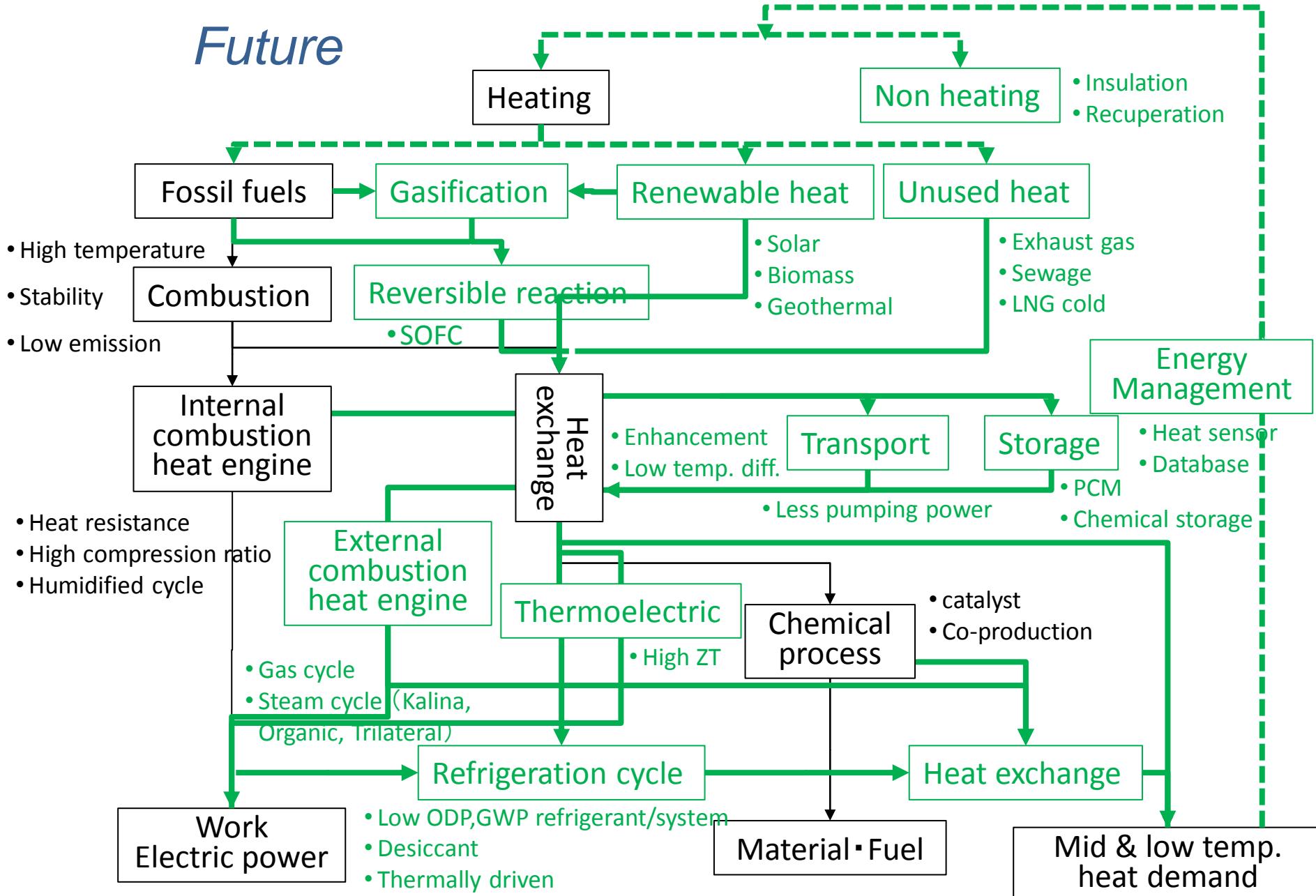
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## Present



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## Future



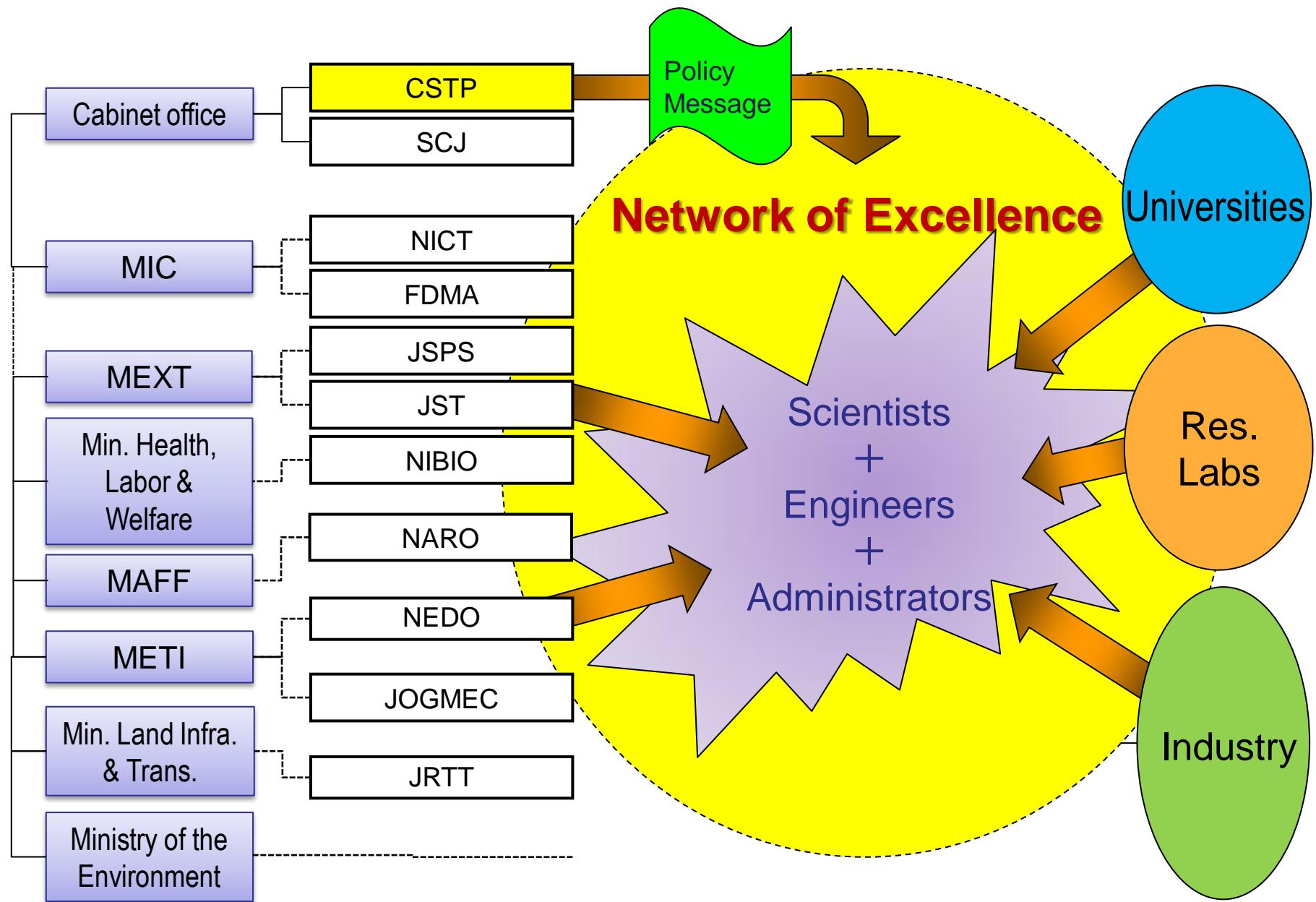
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# Gaps to be Filled

*Between:*

- Basic and applied research
- Scientific disciplines
- Industry/business, research laboratories and universities
- Government ministries and funding agencies
- Scientists/engineers/administrators and society

# Consolidated Funding Schemes



## International Institute for Carbon-neutral Energy Research

### Kyushu University

Best-equipped and best-funded laboratory  
on hydrogen research



### University of Illinois

Prominent research record  
on hydrogen/materials compatibility

### President of Kyushu University



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