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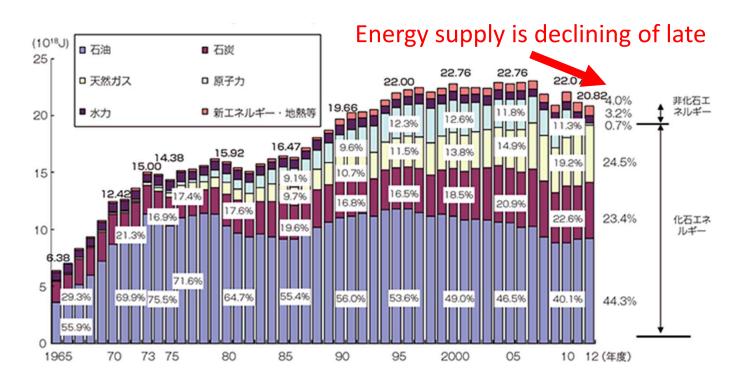
Economic Models and financing policies for energy transition in the Pacific and coastal areas

"Development Plans for RE for a smooth energy transition-the Japanese model"

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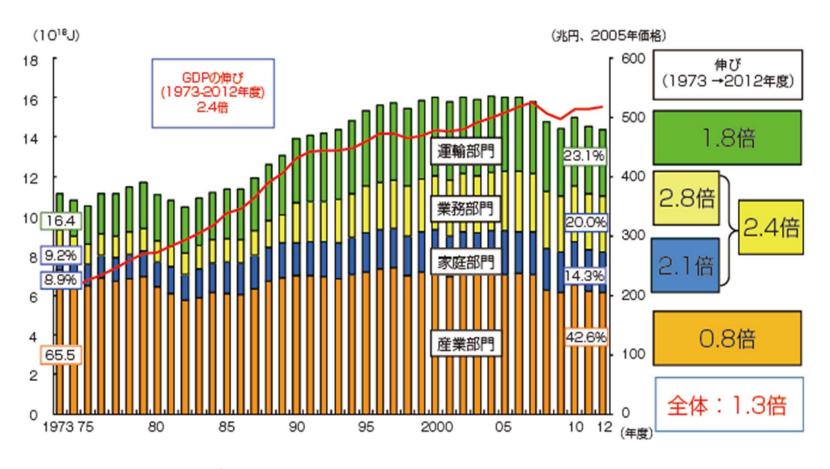
### **Primary Energy Supply in Japan**



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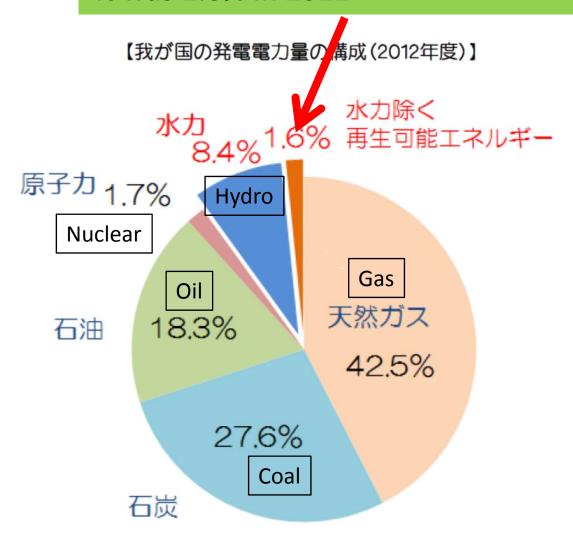
### **Final Energy Consumption vs GDP growth (1973-2012)**

#### Decoupling is being achieved.....as GDP grew 2.4 times while energy use 1.3 times

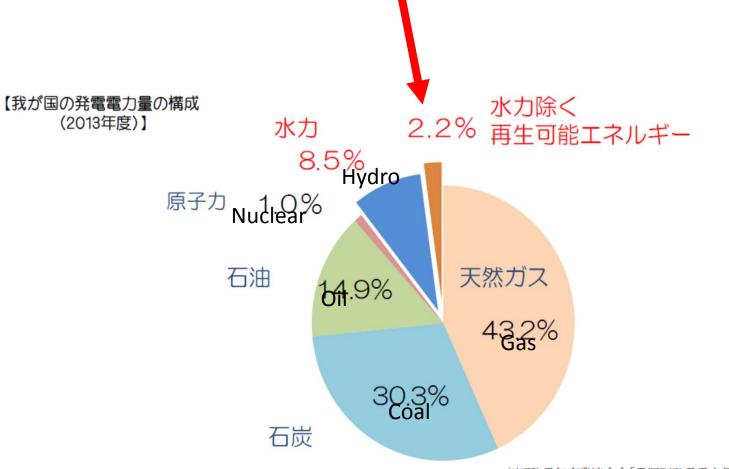


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# RE in power generation is a tiny factor It was 1.6% in 2012



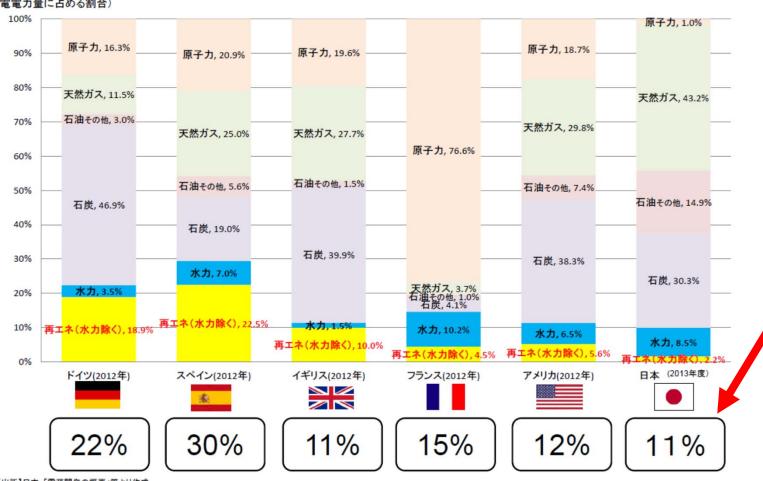




(出所)電気事業連合会「電源別発電電力量構成比」

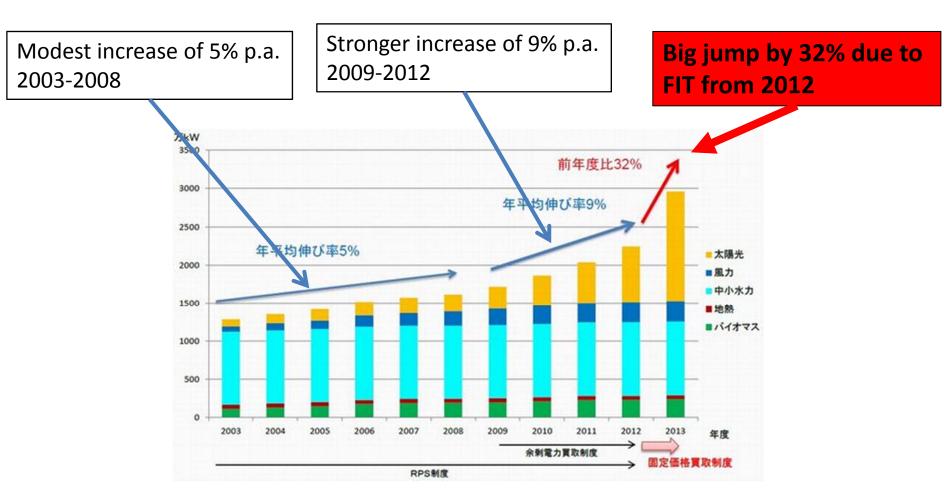
### Share of RE in power generation by country Japan getting nearer to the pack....

#### 発電電力量に占める割合)



ドイツ、スペイン、イギリス、フランス、イタリア、アメリカ: 2012年推計値データ、IEA, Energy Balances of OECD Countries (2013 edition)

## Power Generation by REs increasing exponentially after introduction of FIT in 2012...



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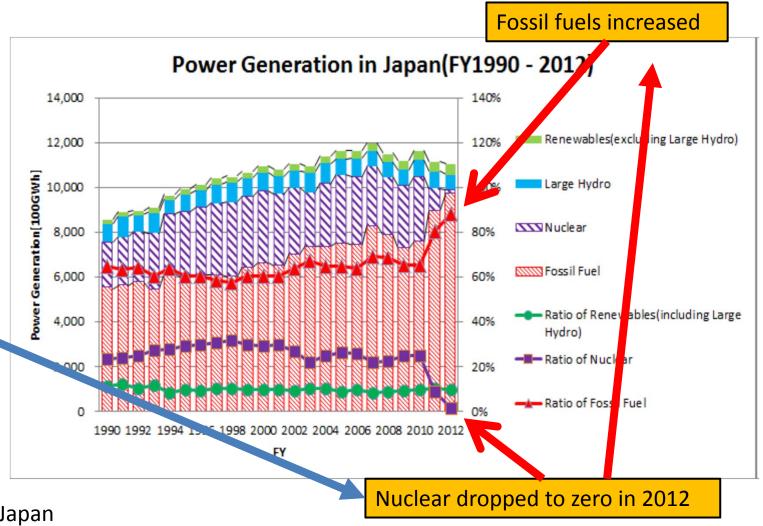
FIT is key policy tool for JPN's RE expansion but....

FIT is not devoid of problems...such as the difference between;

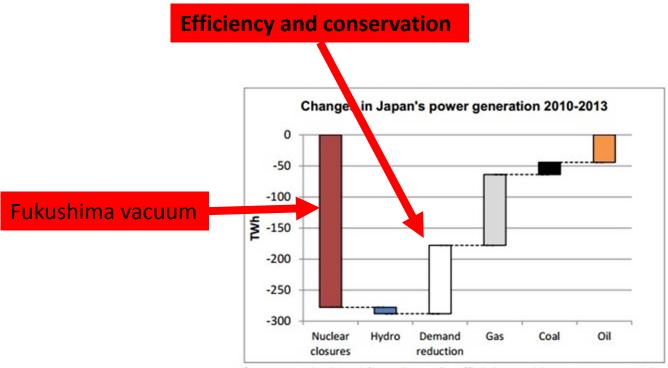
- Approved RE capacity under FIT 70GW
- Actual output in operation9GW

This and many other problems are to be dealt with as FIT is going through its "learning curve"

### At the bottom, there is uncertainty about how to fill in the power vacuum created by Fukushima...



# Fukushima vacuum (\*) were filled in a large part by efficiency and conservation



Source: calculated from Japan's official monthly power generation statistics<sup>2</sup>.

(\*) amount of electricity which was lost due to the shut down of nuclear plants after Fukushima

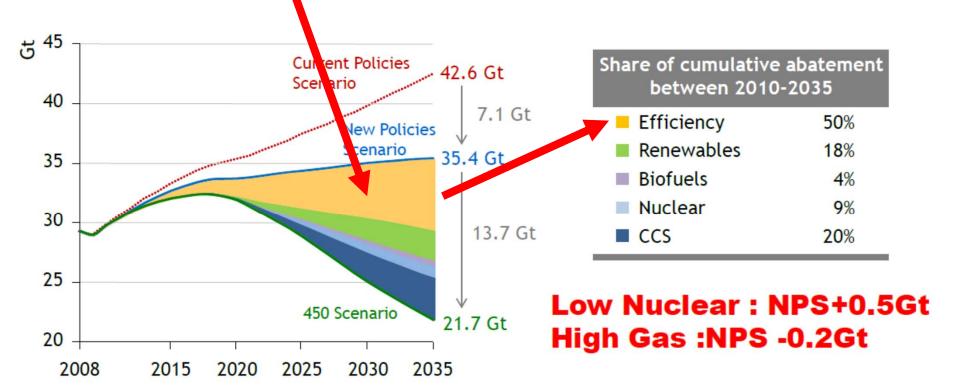
http://www.huffingtonpost.com/justin-guay/how-japan-replaced-half-i\_b\_5093288.html

## Taking a longer-term view, JPN's aim is to use less energy and increase RE participation

Efficiency is one of the cheapest way for energy shift IEA projects 50% cut come from efficiency for 2C...

**Energy efficiency & conservation** are the key

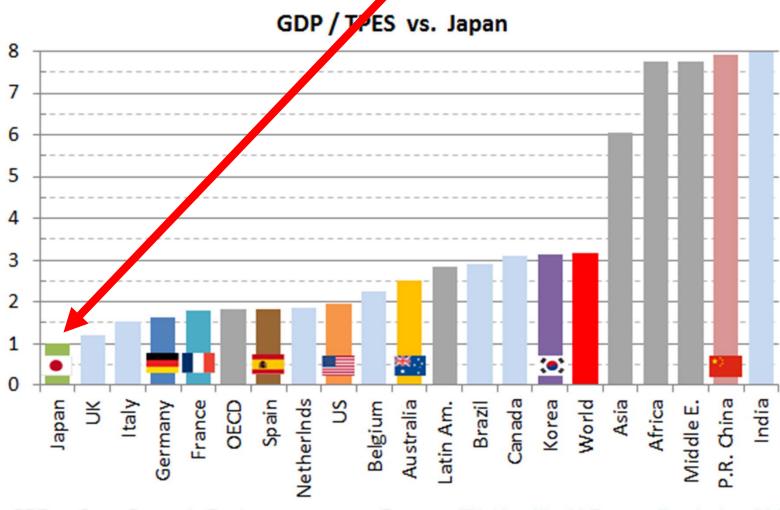




IEA 450 Scenario

#### Conservation and efficiency is crucial for energy shift in all countries

We used to say JPN was no.1 in efficiency...
We used to say JPN is the driest towel....(la serviette la plus seche)



GDP : Gross Domestic Product

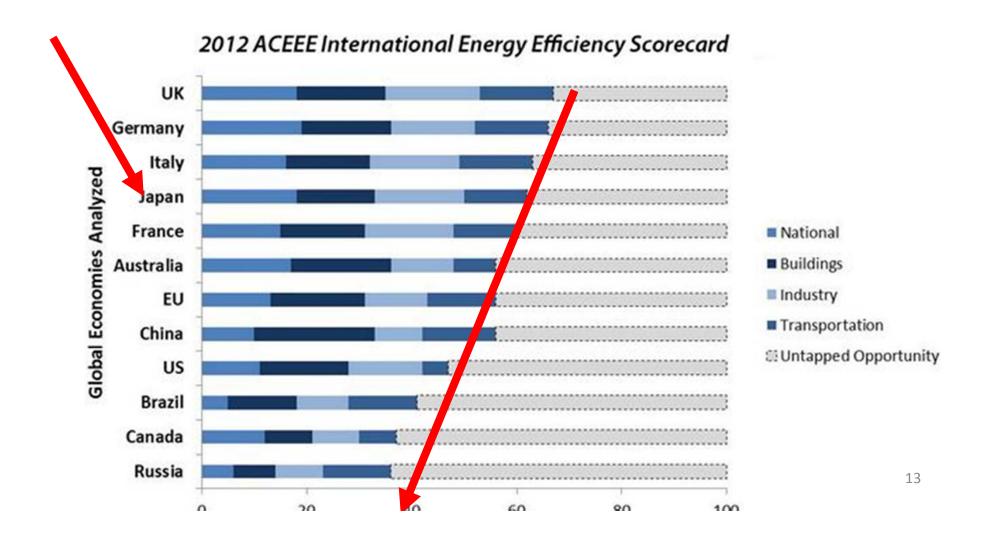
TPES: Total Primary Energy Supply

Source: IEA Key World Energy Statistics 2011

2009 Data

### But today things are more diversified....

One thing is certain...even "dry-towel JPN" has had huge savings... Why not in many other countries...



### Conservation and Efficiency are crucial for Japan's energy shift

"Dry-towel Japan" is now readying itself for yet another round of energy conservation... by cutting energy consumption by 40% by 2050...are we really?

....Energy cut of 40% by 2050 is possible as long as JPN shifts from manufacturing-centered economy to more on other growth sustaining sectors like ICT, financial services etc. Efforts in energy saving itself would provide a new driver for sustainable growth of Japan....

"Energy Consumption Down 40% in Fiscal 2050 by Economic Structural Changes, Energy Conservation is a Growth Engine"

Japan Center for Economic Research paper dated Nov. 4, 2014

http://www.jcer.or.jp/eng/research/policy.html

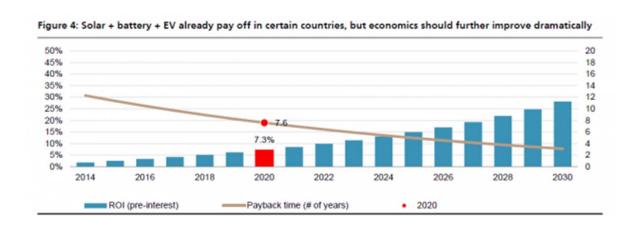
## Another key for energy transition...price of RE going down drastically People now talk about "RE Revolution"

Analysts from UBS and Citigroup, two of the world's largest investment banks, believe the growth of solar power, in combination with advances in batteries and electric cars, will cause a huge disruption in the energy industry.

UBS believes centralized fossil fuel generation will become **"extinct"** sooner than most people realize.

"Large-scale power generation, however, will be the dinosaur of the future energy system: Too big, too inflexible, not even relevant for backup power in the long run,"

Citigroup predicts renewables will replace coal and gas in power generation, which will free up the use of gas as a substitute for oil in transport.



#### Costs getting cheaper each year.... renewables continue to surprise.

Lazard Releases New Levelized Cost of Energy Analysis

- Costs of renewable energy sources continue to drop –
- Study highlights need for diverse power generation technologies –

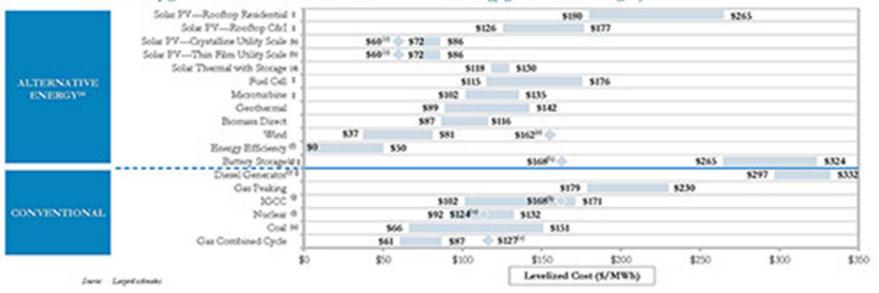
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Levelized-Cost-Energy-Analysis#.VHJ2LYusVkt

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#### Unsubsidized Levelized Cost of Energy Comparison

Certain Alternative Energy generation technologies are cost-competitive with conventional generation technologies under some scenarios; such observation does not take into account potential social and environmental externalities (e.g., social costs of distributed generation, environmental consequences of certain conventional generation technologies, etc.) or reliability-related considerations (e.g., transmission and back-up generation costs associated with certain Alternative Energy generation technologies)



#### Some notable quotes arguing RE's mainstreaming by dramatically reducing its prices

- 1. "UBS: Time to join the solar, EV, storage revolution" http://reneweconomy.com.au/2014/ubs-time-to-join-the-solar-ev-storage-revolution-27742
- 2. CITI Research Commodities "Energy 2020: The Revolution Will Not Be Televised as Disruptors Multiply "http://tecsol.blogs.com/files/citi--rapport-%C3%A9nergie-08-14.pdf

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- 3. "UBS and Citigroup expect massive solar-EV revolution" http://www.energypost.eu/ubs-citigroup-warn-investors-massive-revolution-energy-industry/
- 4. "How free markets are making solar energy feasible without subsidies" http://www.cityam.com/article/1392944530/how-free-markets-are-making-solar-energy-feasible-without-subsidies
- 5. Renewable Energy Prices Drop dramatically (again)
  October 1, 2014
  http://climatecrocks.com/2014/10/01/renewable-energy-prices-drop-50-percent-since-2008/
- 6. How solar energy could be the largest source of electricity by mid-century

  To achieve that vision, IEA reports call for clear, credible consistent signals from policy makers 29 September 2014 Paris

## Talking about global energy transition, we have to couple the Paris deal with a global phase-out commitments

The Paris deal will most likely be a commitments though 2030

#### IPCC-AR5 talks about global path for 2C as;

- (a) minus 40-70% by 2050
- (b) phase-out (net) CO2 emissions by 2100 (some argue by 2070)

Most OECD countries pledge going minus 80-95% by 2050 Most vulnerable countries can leapfrog to near-zero emissions in coming decades Emerging economies like China and India can phase-out by the end of the century... If not earlier.

Most experts concur; all technologies are available today & some more would come from around the corner for achieving 2C in time

Phase-out (net) is possible and indispensable for the global energy transition for 2C

## So my conclusions;

#### JPN's energy transition would be realized mostly through;

- (1) Conservation and efficiency...people still love to be frugal...will they be in 2050?
- (2) Continued investment in technologies and innovations
- (3) Policy framework like improved FIT etc.

#### On global energy transition;

- (1) Conservation and efficiency
- (2) Pricing of carbon to harness right technologies & conservation
- (3) Phase-out commitments
- (4) Helping vulnerable countries

World deserves better assurances for 2C.