





# Sustainable Development for All The World in 2050

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Social Inclusion
Sustainability

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# Glassboro Summit and Signing of IIASA Charter in Royal Society





#### **Howard Raiffa YSSP Talk in 1992**

The IIASA charter was signed in London in October 1972, but the history goes back six years earlier. In 1966 American president Lyndon Johnson gave a rather remarkable speech — in the middle of the Cold War — in which he said it was time that the scientists of the United States and the Soviet Union worked together on problems other than military and space matters, on problems that plague all advanced societies, like energy, our oceans, the environment, health. And he called for a liaison between the scientists of East and West.

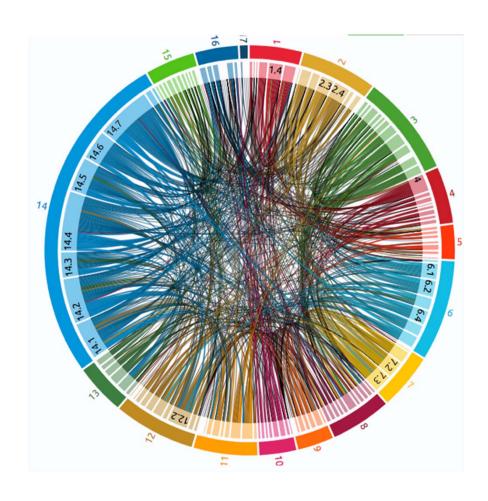


# Interlinkages among the SDGs

Using knowledge on interlinkages to exploit synergies and minimize trade-offs in the policy process can contribute to overall policy coherence

- Survey of existing publications
- A tool to visualize the cumulated interlinkages from a set of publications
- Meta analysis of the main studies on interlinkages

#### **Interlinkages: Goals and Targets**



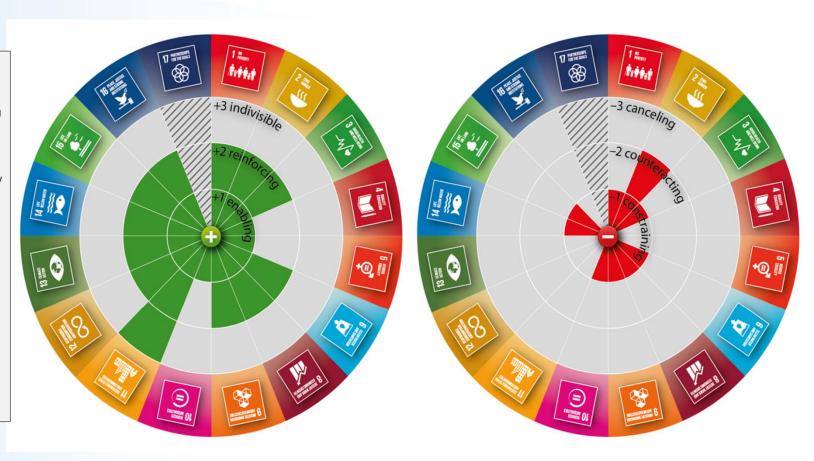


Source: Miola, 2019 2019 #4

#### Interactions between SDG 7 & other SDGs

#### Sustainable Development Goals

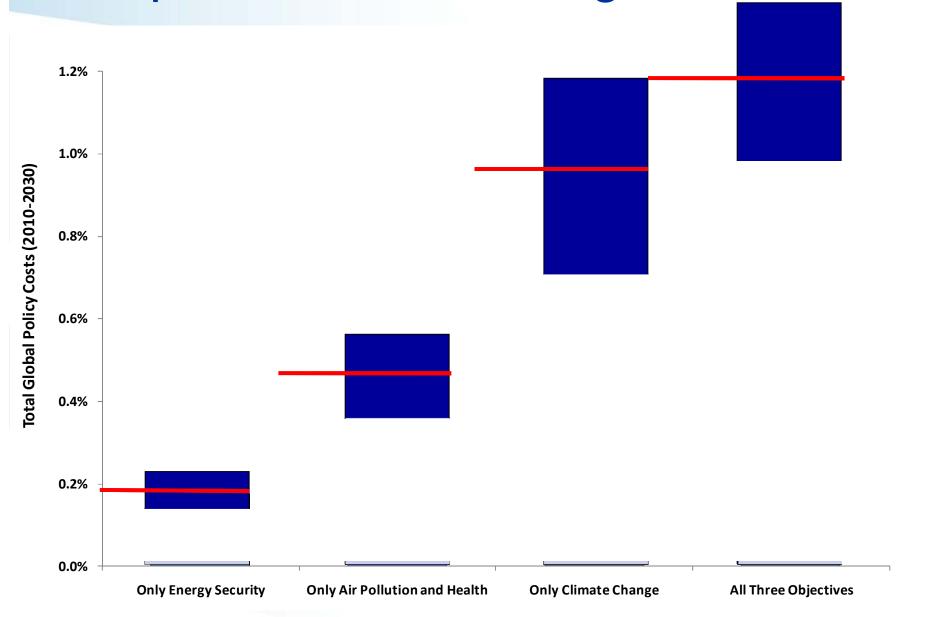
- 1 No Poverty
- 2 Zero Hunger
- 3 Good Health and Well-being
- 4 Quality Education
- 5 Gender Equality
- 6 Clean Water and Sanitation
- 7 Affordable and Clean Energy
- 8 Decent Work and Economic Growth
- 9 Industry, Innovation and Infrastructure
- 10 Reduced Inequalities
- 11 Sustainable Cities and Communities
- 12 Responsible Consumption and Production
- 13 Climate Action
- 14 Life below Water
- 15 Life on Land
- 16 Peace, Justice and Strong Institutions
- 17 Partnerships for the Goals





Source: McCollum et. al, 2018 2019 #5

#### Multiple Benefits of Integrated Policies





Source: McCollum et. al, 2012; IPCC, 2014

## TWI2050 Report (www.TWI2050.org)

#### **Key Messages**

#### **Synthesis**

- 1. Framing and Introduction
- 2. The Challenges Ahead
- 3. Sustainable Development Pathways
- 4. Governing the Transformation
- >>60 authors from ~20 organizations
- >150 contributors and participants



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#### **Key Considerations**

- 1. Six FundamentalTransformations for a Sustainable Future for All
- 2. The Digital Revolution
- 3. Preconditions for a Sustainable Digital Revolution
- 4. Digitalization and Sustainable Development
- Governing the Transformation toward Sustainability in the Digital Age

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The Digital Revolution and Sustainable Development:
Opportunities and Challenges

Report prepared by The World in 2050 initiative





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# Six Transformations to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals

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The Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and the Paris Agreement on Climate Change call for deep transformations in every country that will require complementary actions by governments, civil society, science and business. Yet stakeholders lack a shared understanding of how the 17 SDGs can be operationalized. Drawing on earlier work by The World in 2050 initiative, we introduce six SDG Transformations as modular building-blocks of SDG achievement: (1) education, gender and inequality; (2) health, well-being and demography; (3) energy decarbonization and sustainable industry; (4) sustainable food, land, water and oceans; (5) sustainable cities and communities; and (6) digital revolution for sustainable development. Each Transformation identifies priority investments and regulatory challenges, calling for actions by well-defined parts of government working with business and civil society. Transformations may therefore be operationalized within the structures of government while respecting the strong interdependencies across the 17 SDGs. We also outline an action agenda for science to provide the knowledge required for designing, implementing and monitoring the SDG Transformations.



#### Six Major Transformations (TWI2050.org)

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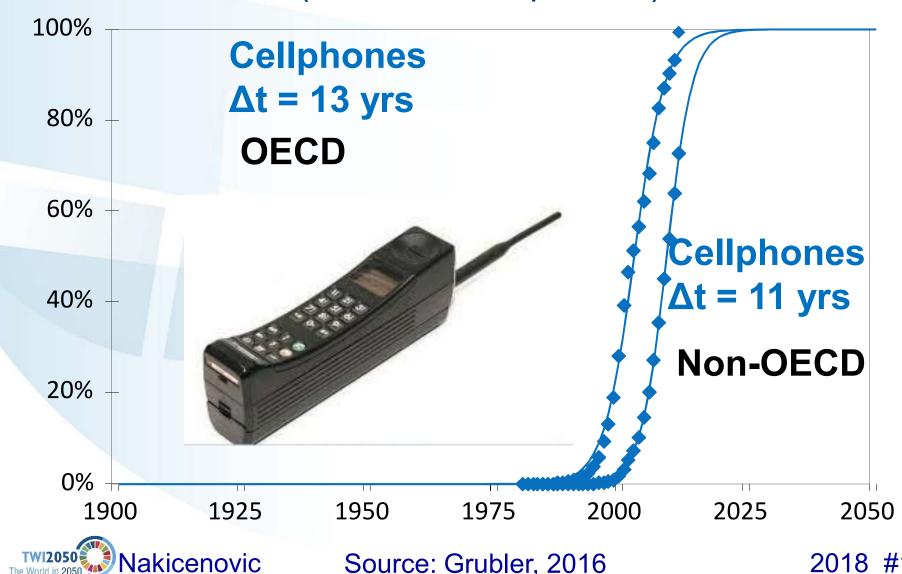
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## **Technology Diffusion Compared**

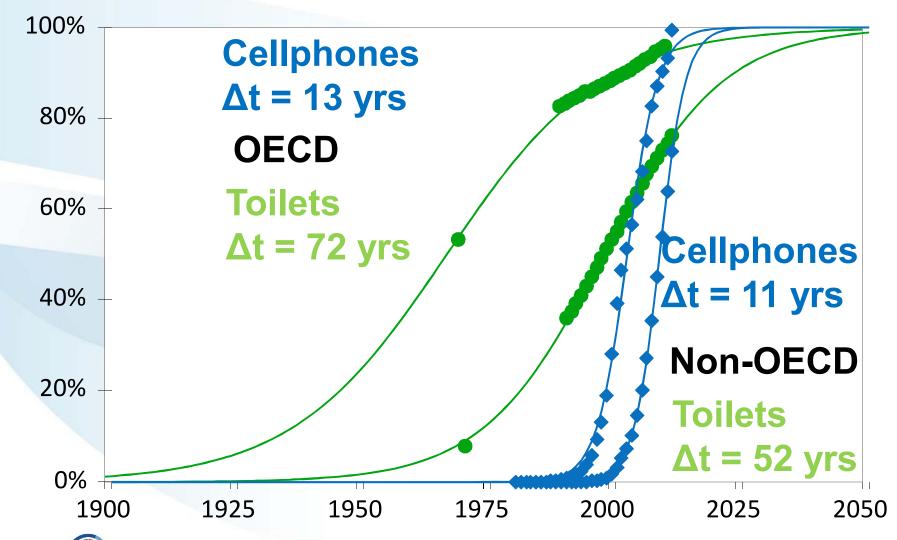
(access to cellphones)



Source: Grubler, 2016

## **Technology Diffusion Compared**

(access to safe sanitation and cellphones)



Source: Grubler, 2016

2018 #13

Nakicenovic

#### **Impact of IC Technology Convergence**





Source: Grubler et al., 2018

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The Map of **Artificial** Intelligence **Ethical Issues** 

Al as agents

Al as subjects



#### **Short Term**

Structural unemployment

Fairness in algorithms

Machine ethics

Proliferation of autonomous weapons

**Long Term** 

Finalizing human values for machines to propagate

Status of humanity in a world dominated by artificial agents

Controlling artificial general intelligence and creating friendly superintelligence

Legal status of autonomous systems

Suffering in reinforcement learners

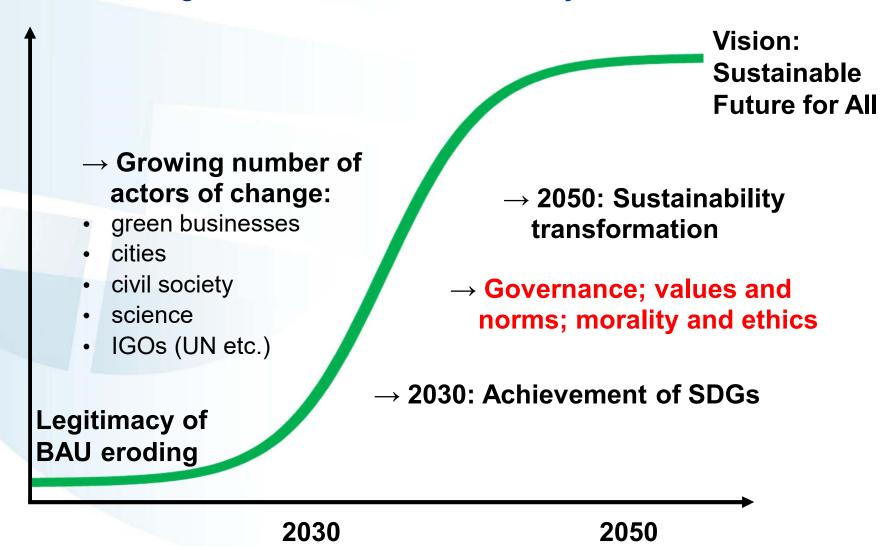
Consciousness in artificial intelligence

Well-being of AIs

Moral status of mind uploads

Nakicenovic Source: Gartner, 2017 2019 #16

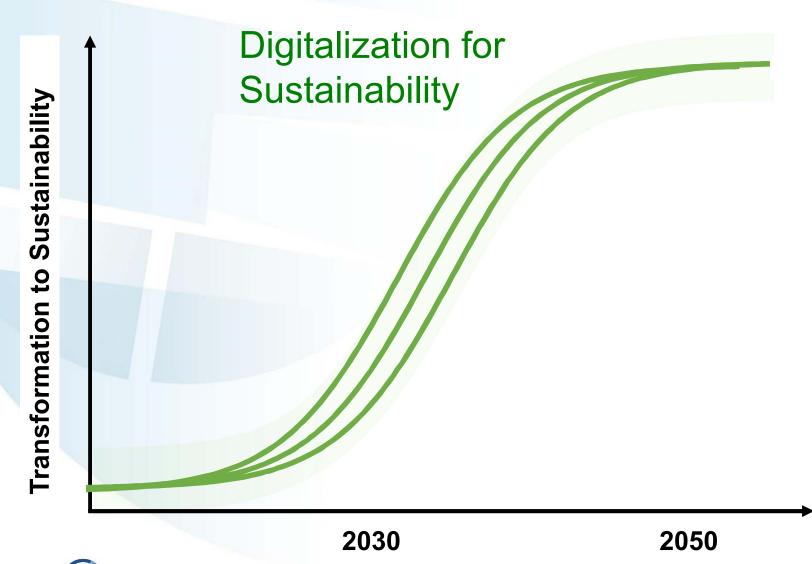
"Doing More with Less" within Planetary Boundaries





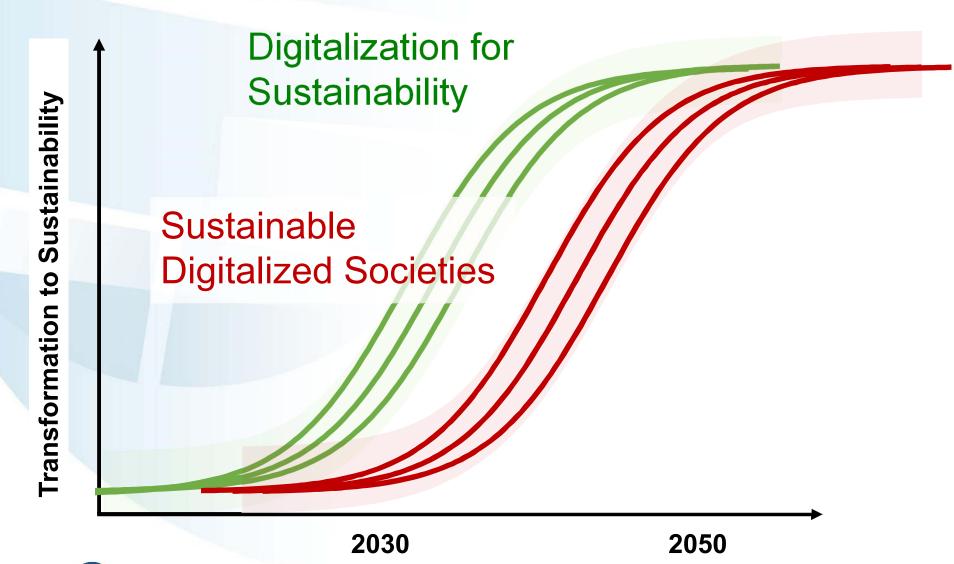
Transformation to Sustainability

Source: After WBGU, 2011 2018 #17



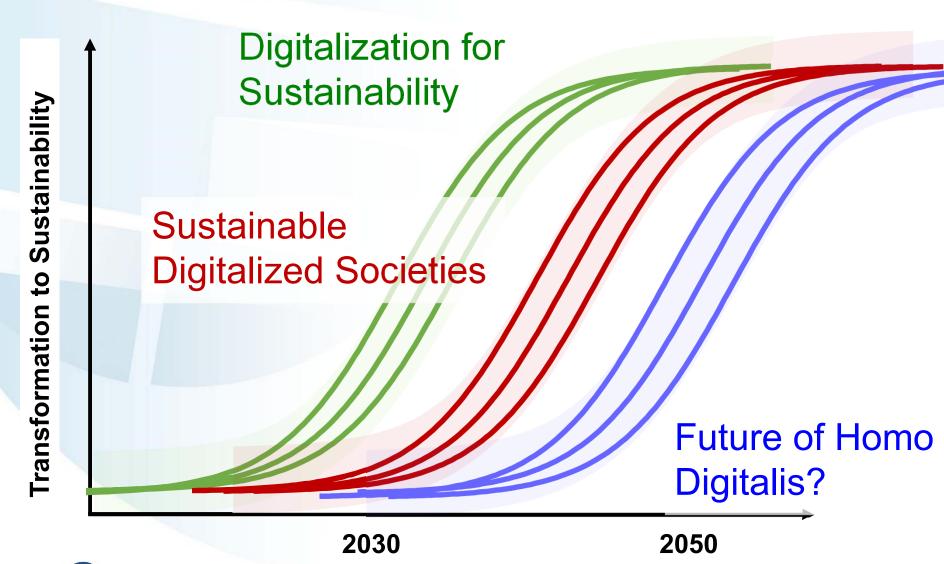


Source: After WBGU, 2019 2018 #18





Source: After WBGU, 2019 2018 #19





Source: After WBGU, 2019 2018 #20

#### Some Key Messages

- Transformational and holistic change is needed but to succeed we must take along winners and losers
- The world is at crossroads as we are currently experiencing signs of a counter-transformation
- Six transformations reduce the complexity of the 17 SDGs rendering 2030 Agenda actionable
- Digitalization is central like all six transformations but is challenging the absorptive capacity of society
- Essential for sustainability transformation is effective and inclusive governance, values and norms (How)
- Build responsible knowledge societies capable of taking action towards sustainability in the Digital Age



#### **STI Policy Coherence**

- Paradox of STI:
  - > cause of problems, e.g. as negative externalities
  - but solution, if socially and environmentally sound
- Key to
  - Understand inter-relationships, interdependencies and trade-offs
  - Leverage synergies among STI policies and SDGs
  - At all levels global, national, regional and local
- Tools to support policy coherence:
  - integrated assessments
  - systems thinking
  - road-maps







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