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# Monetising flared gas ... innovative applications of proven technology

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# Executive summary

**Gas has a key role in the transition, but we must address emissions**

- Gas is widely seen as a transition fuel to help to drive decarbonisation
- Most players expect gas consumption to increase significantly
- But there is lot of waste, and a large economic and environmental impact

**The GHG problem is fixable ... with today's technologies**

- Flaring and methane emissions are becoming increasingly transparent
- Existing proven technologies can deliver at no net cost
- Certification technologies are already driving change

**... but new approaches and business models are needed**

- The business as usual approach isn't working; real change will need:
  - New incentives
  - New operating models
  - New technologies
- It Must, Can and Pays to be done!

# Agenda

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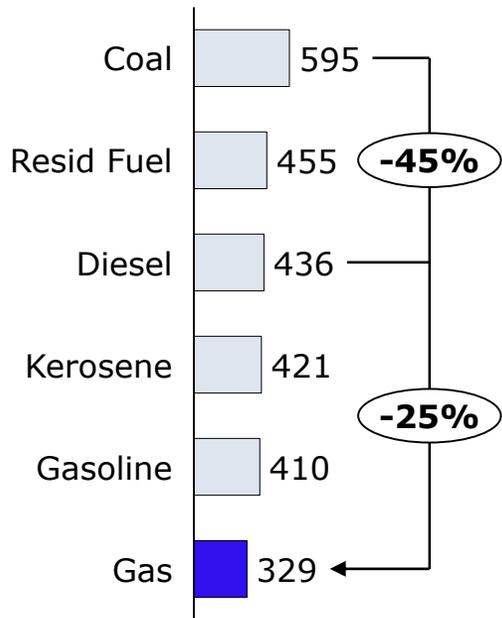
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# Gas is widely seen as a transition fuel, and its increasing market share is helping to drive decarbonisation ...

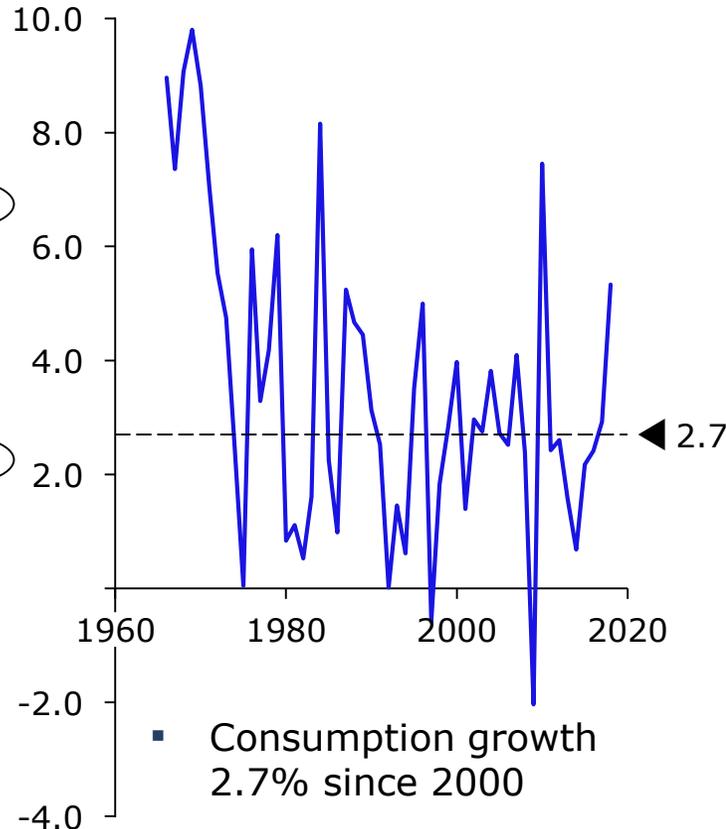
## Gas has lower GHG intensity ...

Total GHG intensity (kgCO<sub>2</sub>e/boe)



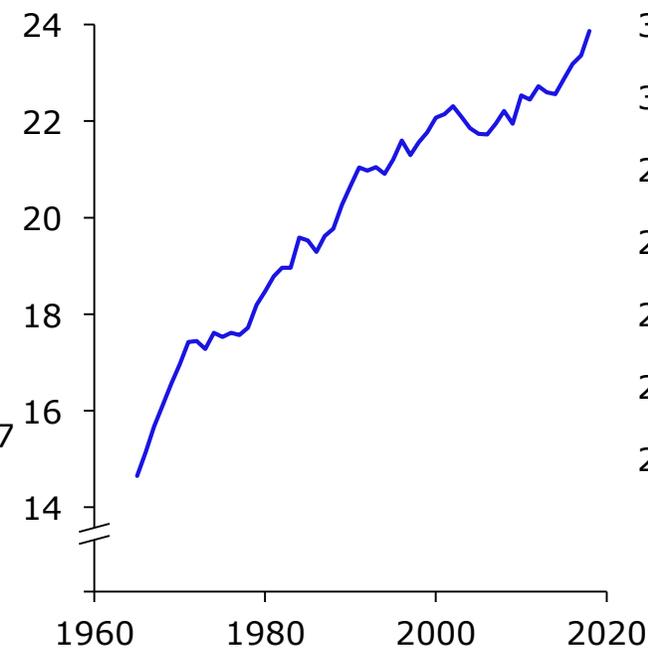
## ... and robust growth ...

Gas growth rate (% on prior year)



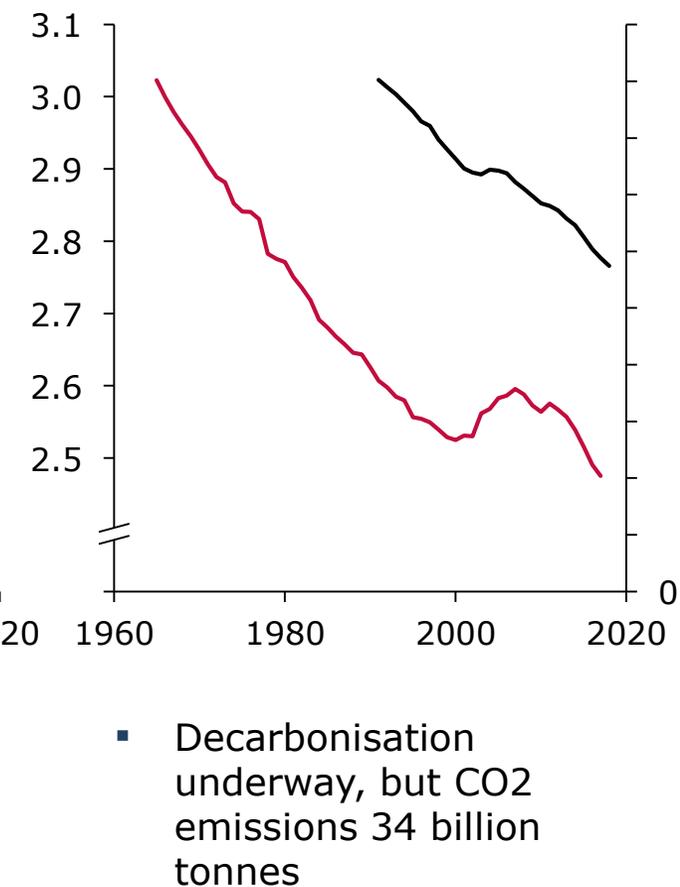
## ... building market share ...

Market share (% primary)



## ... driving decarbonisation ...

CO<sub>2</sub> intensity (tonnes / toe)  
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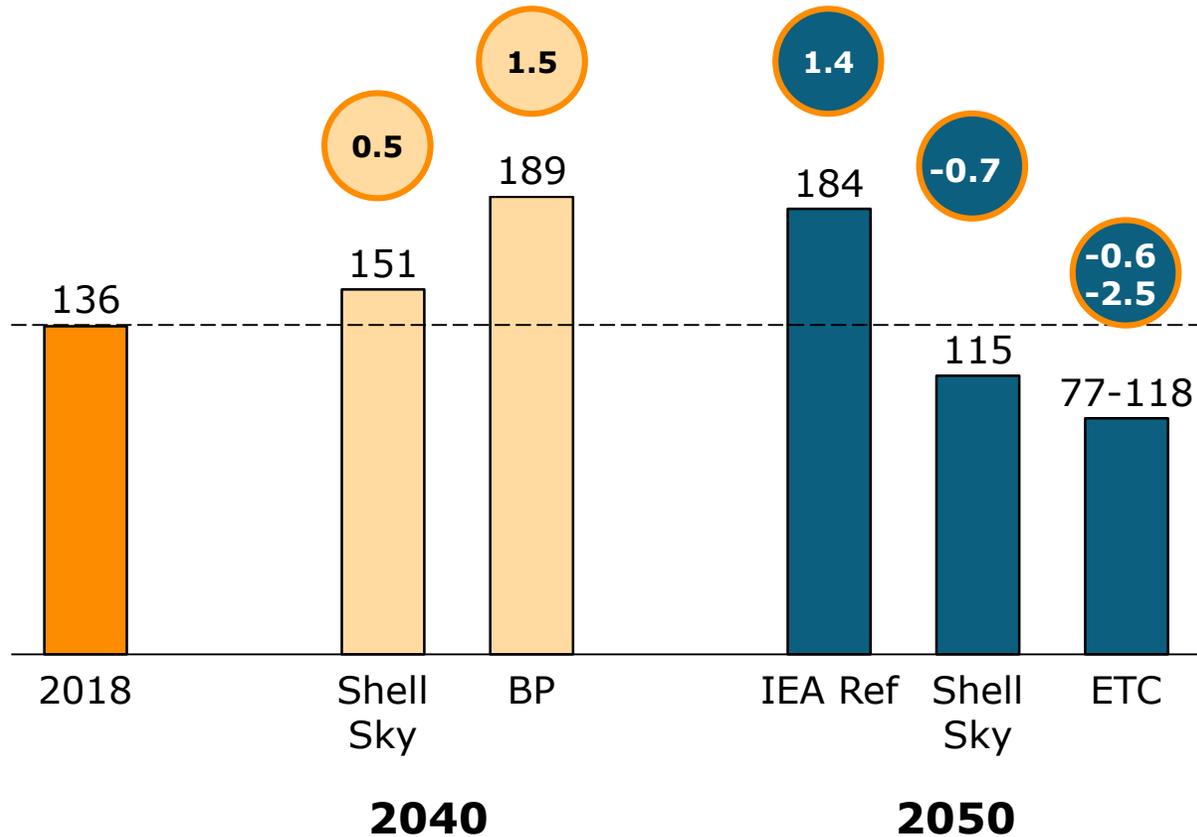


Source: BP Statistical Review of World Energy, 2019; IPCC; World Bank (GDP is PPP, 2011)

# ... and gas is expected to grow in the medium term, but the outlook in 2050 is, for gas, more challenging

## Gas consumption outlook

EJ per year



## Commentary

 CAGR (%)

Wide range of outlooks, but with Asia and rest of China underpinning demand increase, partly by shift from coal:

- BP: "Rapid Transition" & "Less Globalisation" scenario sees expanded role of gas, with much higher market share
- Shell "Sky": sees strong gas growth in the shorter term, but losing share to stronger renewables
- ETC "Mission Possible": believes that gas will be replaced in core areas, remaining only for critical sectors (e.g. "Hard to Abate")

# ... but the industry's social license to operate is challenged by 273 BCM of gas is waste, increasing emissions and missing revenue

## END USE

occurs when the gas is combusted in the end use



Primarily CO2 with some CH4

## OPERATING

gas used in operations to power facilities



Primarily CO2

## FLARING

burning of waste gas (often incompletely)



Primarily CO2 with some CH4

## VENTING

the deliberate release of methane



Primarily CH4

## LEAKING

the accidental release of methane



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# Methane emissions are challenging, given 84x potency vs CO2

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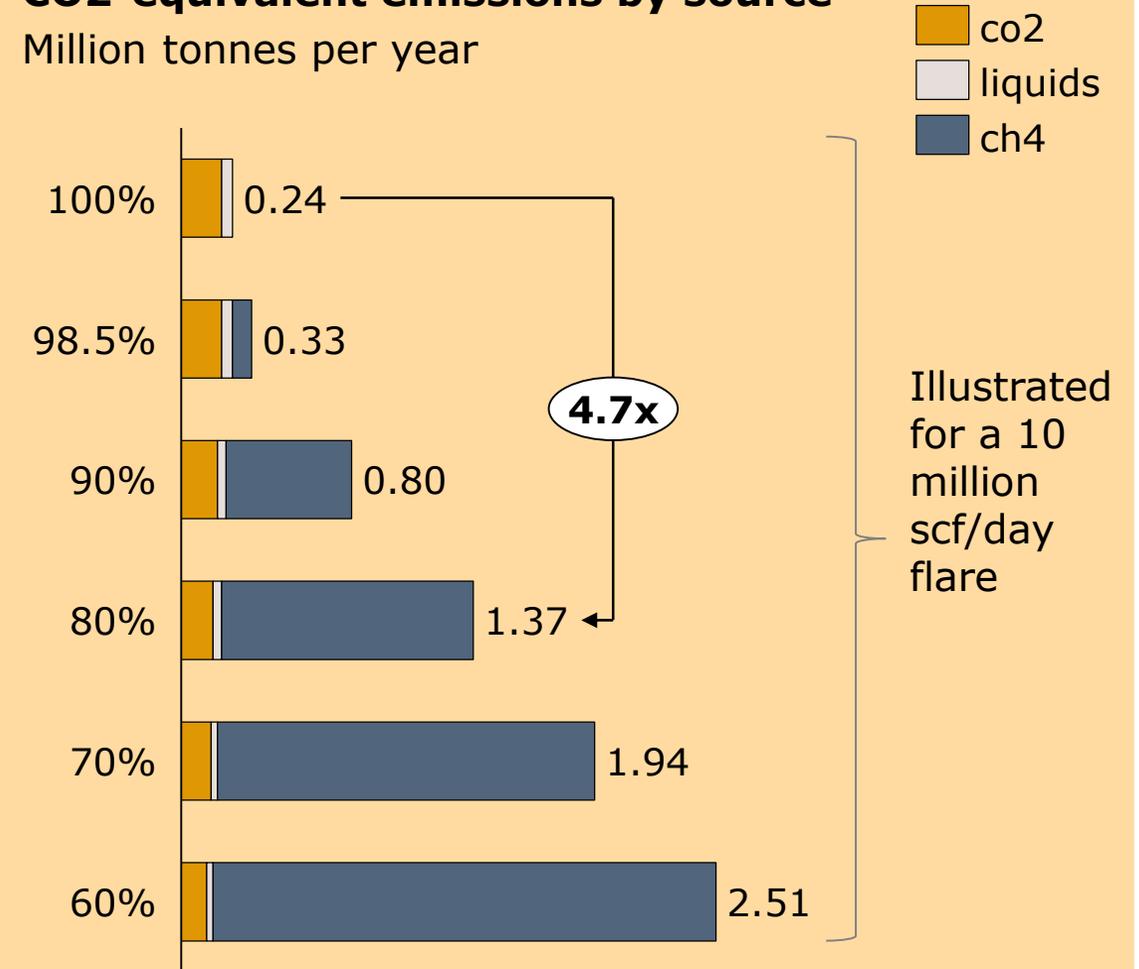
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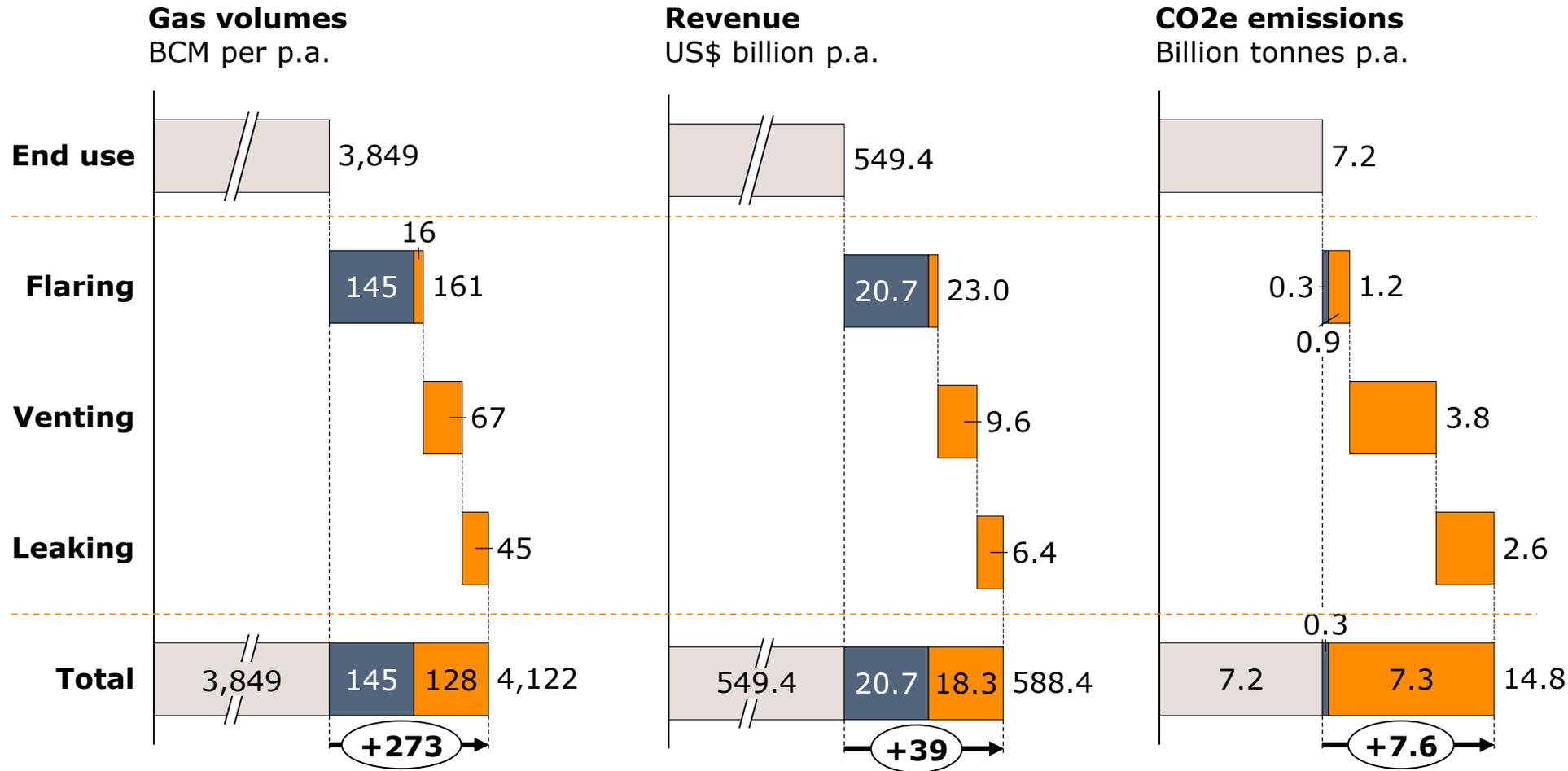
## FLARING

### CO2-equivalent emissions by source

Million tonnes per year



# Wasted gas is a large economic opportunity and doubles the CO2-equivalent emissions of natural gas



- CO2
- CH4
- Flaring alone is equivalent to consumption of whole of Africa, or 30% of Europe
- Missed revenue \$39 billion per year (at \$4/mmbtu) – some 7% of total
- CO2-equivalent emissions from natural gas are >100% greater when methane emissions are included

Note: gas priced at approx. global average of 4 \$/MMBTU. CO2e emissions from methane estimated using a multiple of 84 of that of CO2, based on a 20-year timescale. We assume methane slip is 10% at flares, due to incomplete combustion and that natural gas is predominantly methane.

Source: BP Statistical Review of World Energy (2019); World Bank / GGRF / NOAA (2019); IEA World Energy Outlook (2019); Capterio estimates

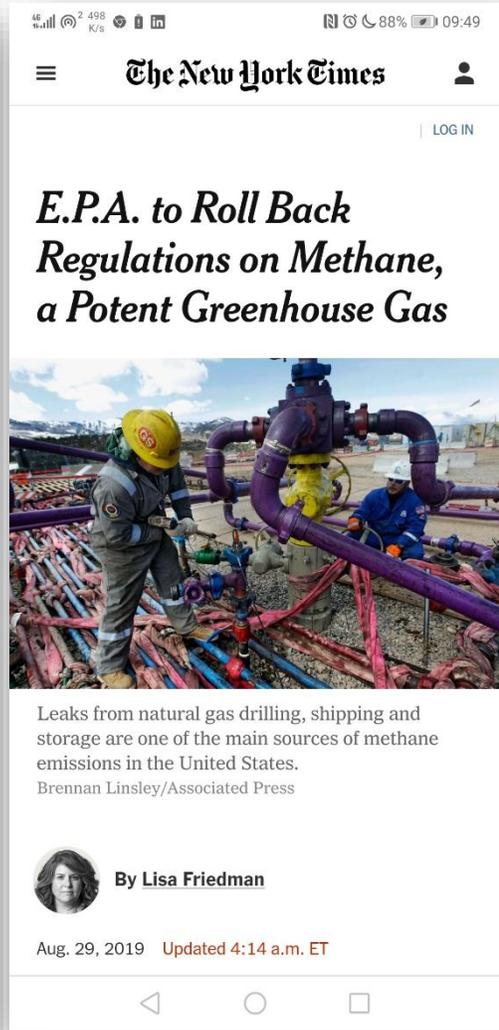
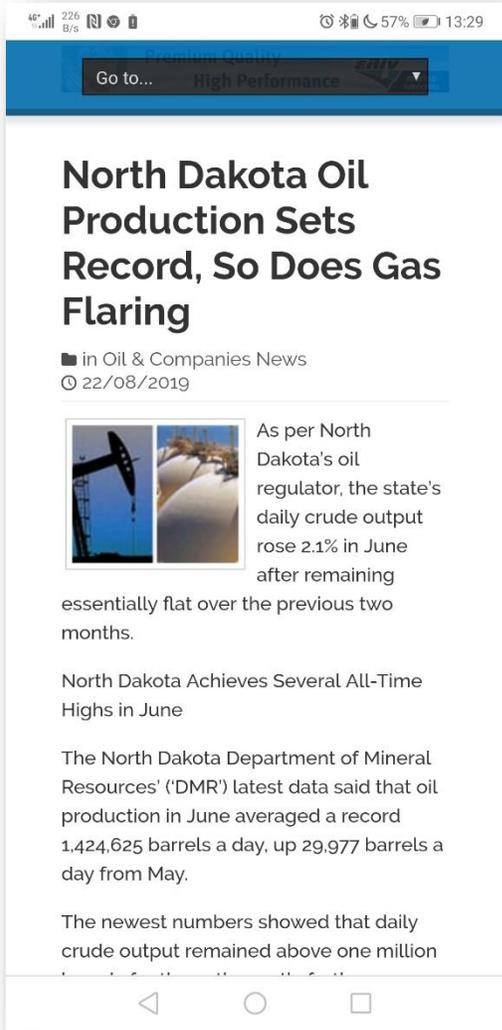
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# Emissions from the natural gas system are daily news ... with many companies making commitments



### OGCI members:



### NOCs and others:



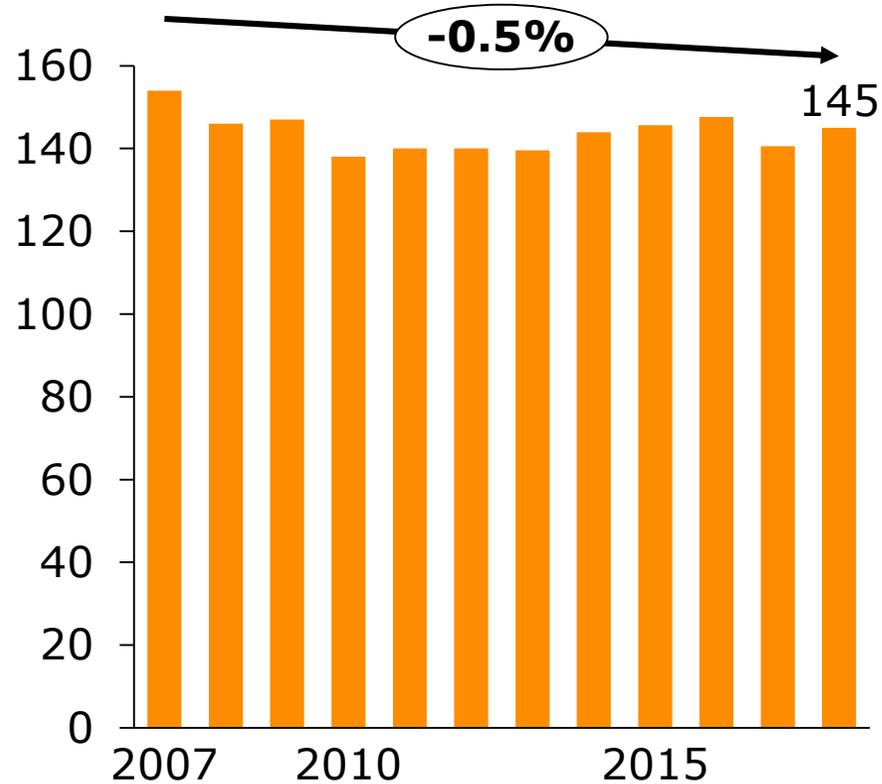
- Flaring up
- Regulation down
- Guarantees of origin?

Source: Literature searches

# “Business as usual” has not made material progress on flaring due to 3 main factors

Global flared gas has not materially reduced in a decade ...

BCM p.a.



... due to ...

1

Lack of **awareness** from the consumers, market and/or operators

- Awareness lacking
- Lack of measurement / standards
- Some operators are in denial

2

Capture not sufficiently **commercially attractive**

- Low value of gas capture
- High unit cost
- Lack of infrastructure

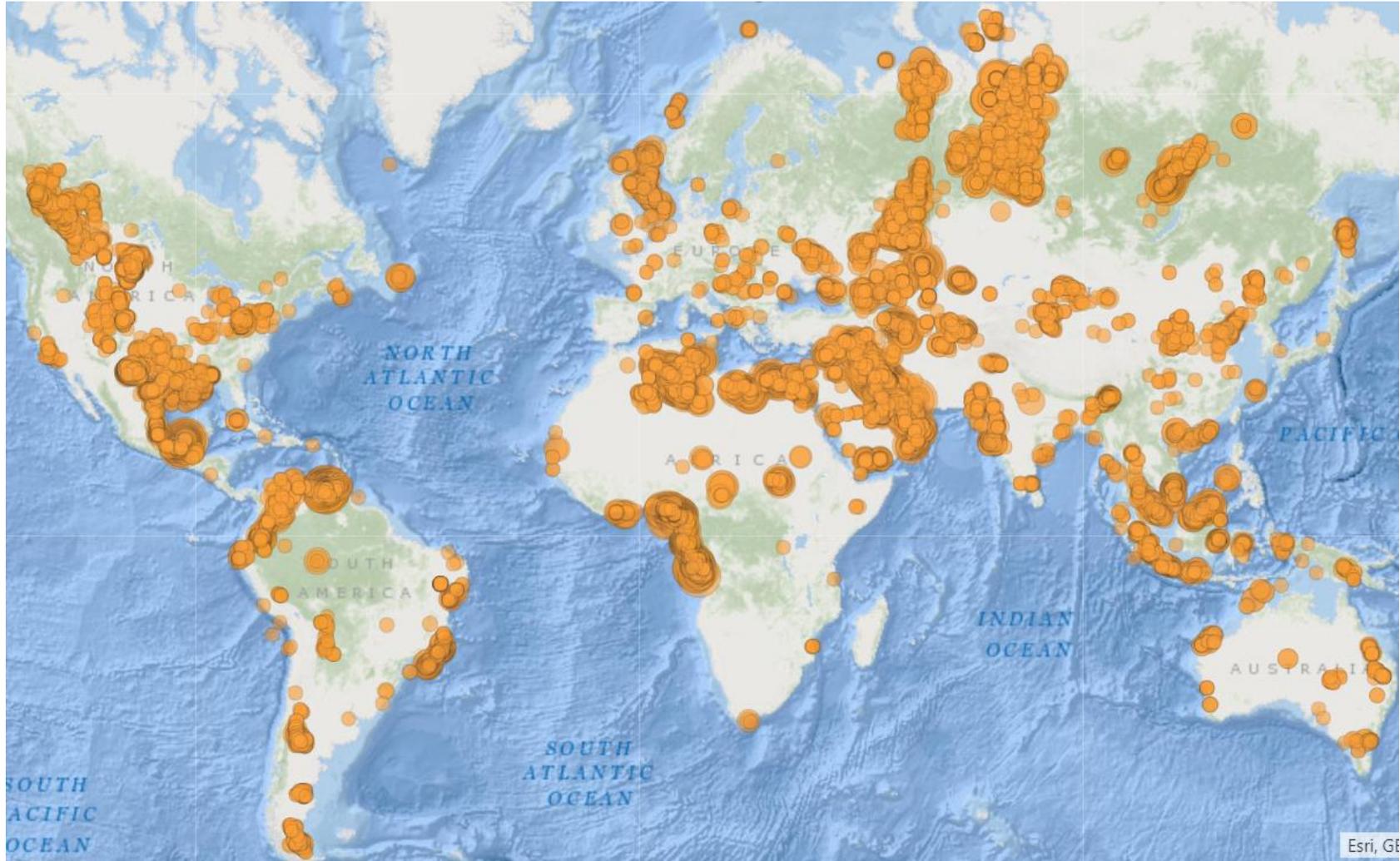
3

Capture is commercially attractive, but not **operationally deliverable**

- Lack of funding from partners
- Challenging bureaucracy
- Lack of execution capacity

# Capterio has developed a new global tool to inspect each of the 10,000 flares globally and yield unique insights

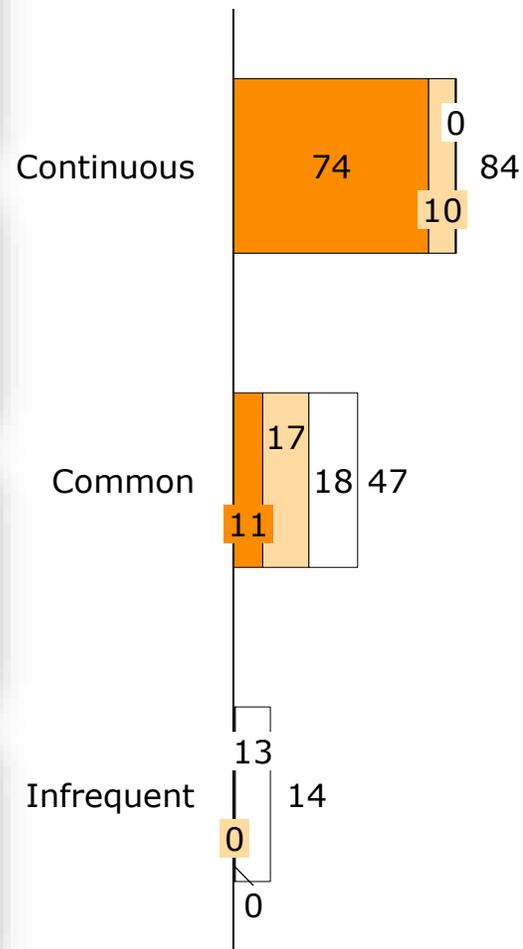
## Global and country view of flares



### Site view

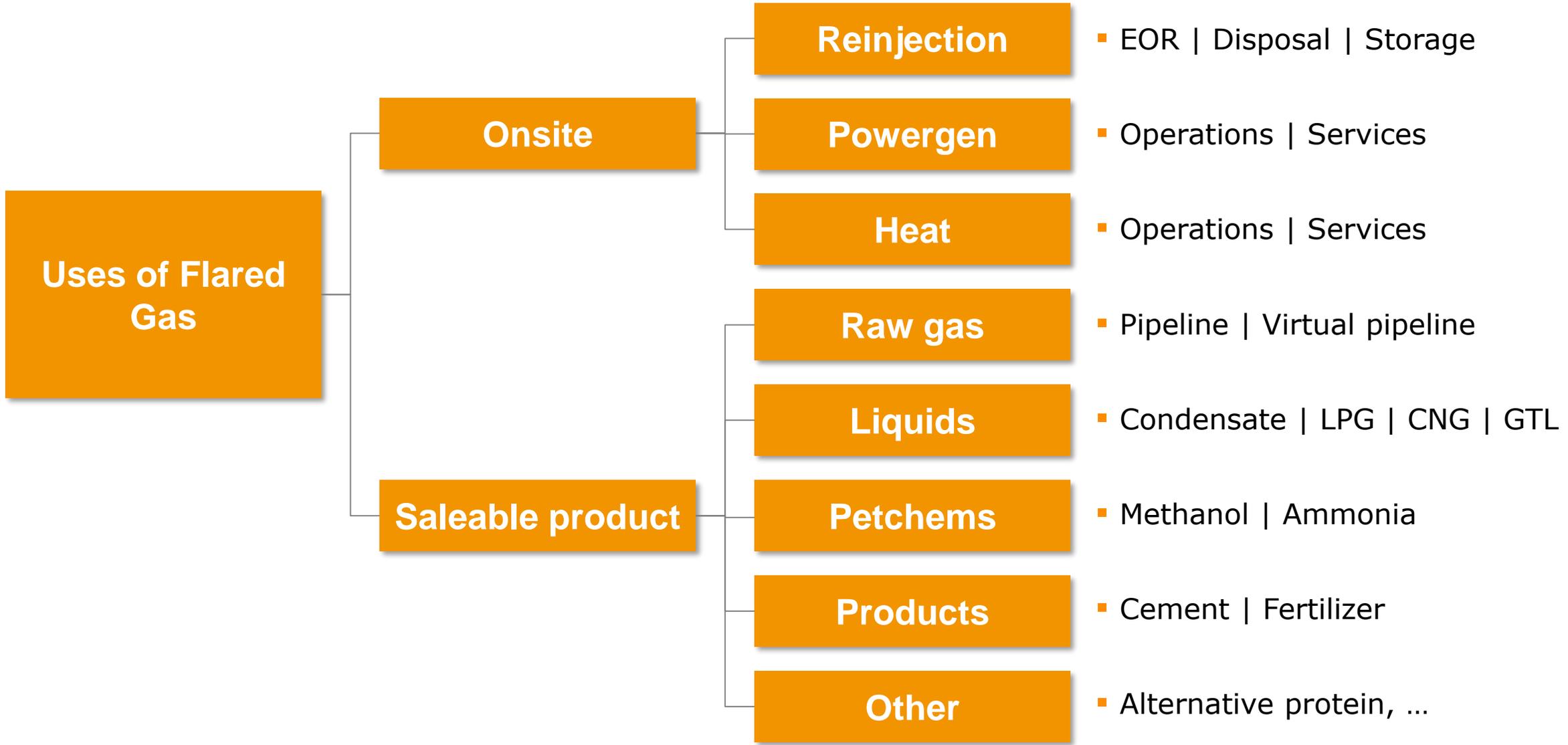


### Flare frequency by flare size



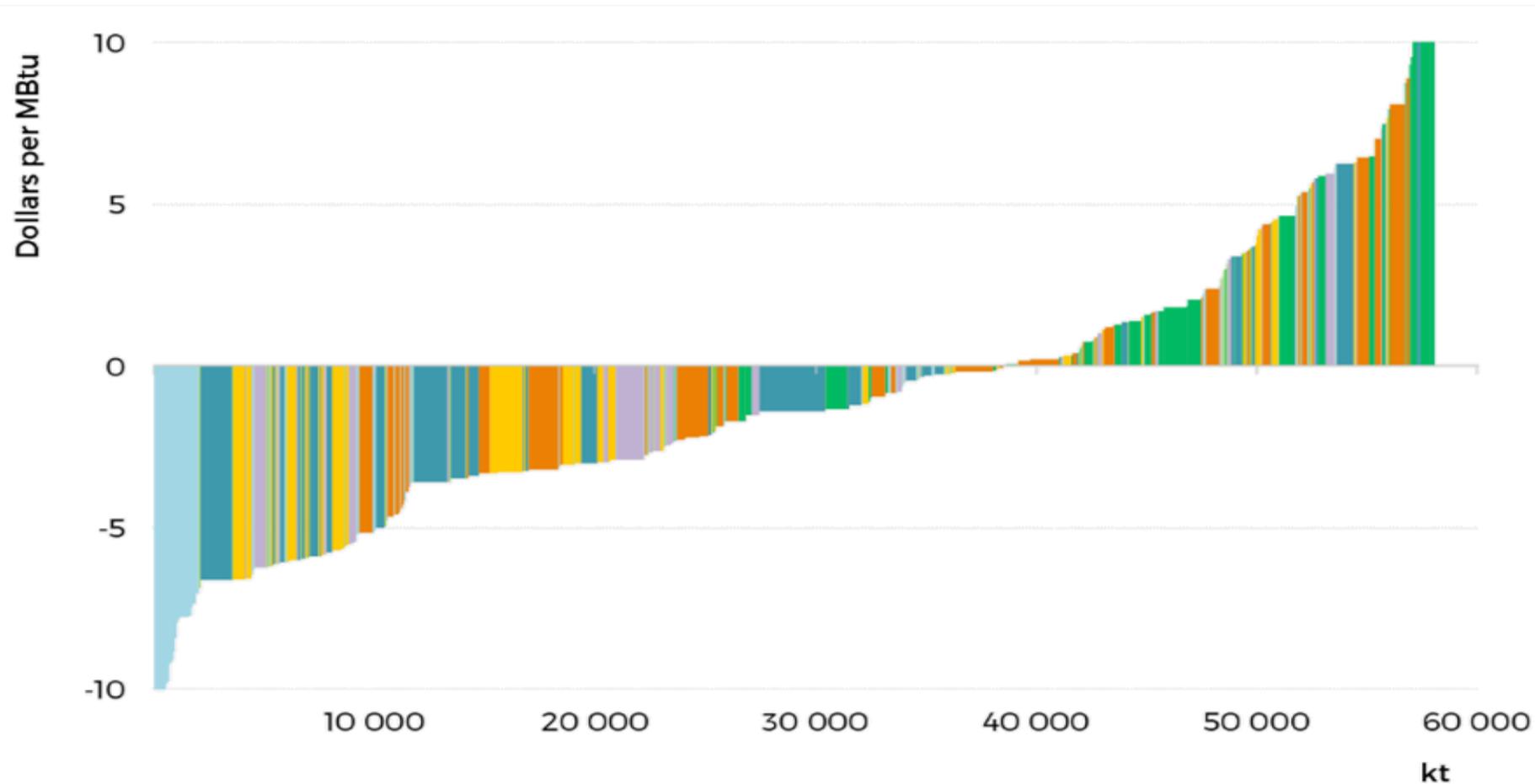
Source: Capterio Global Flare Tool; NOAA / GGFR / Colorado School of Mines

# There are several proven technology options to monetise waste gas



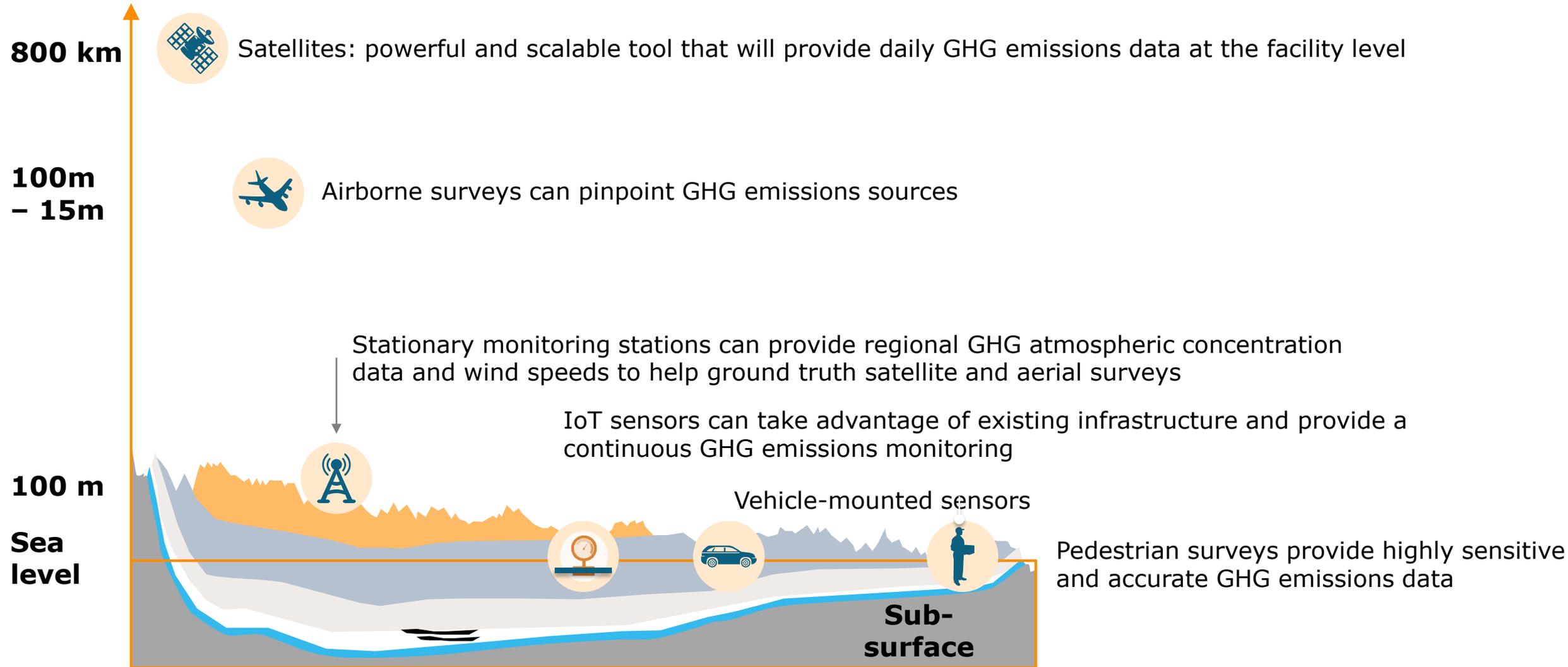
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## Projects demonstrate that capturing flared gas with innovative, modular and scalable solutions can work with strong IRRs



- ✓ Standardised
- ✓ Modular
- ✓ Plug and Play
- ✓ Limited FEED
- ✓ Reusable
- ✓ Rapid deployment
- ✓ Low cost
- ✓ Attractive IRRs

# New technologies help to monitor and measure emissions, but so far, no all-seeing method, so integrating datasets is key ...



Source: SYSTEMIQ; RMI

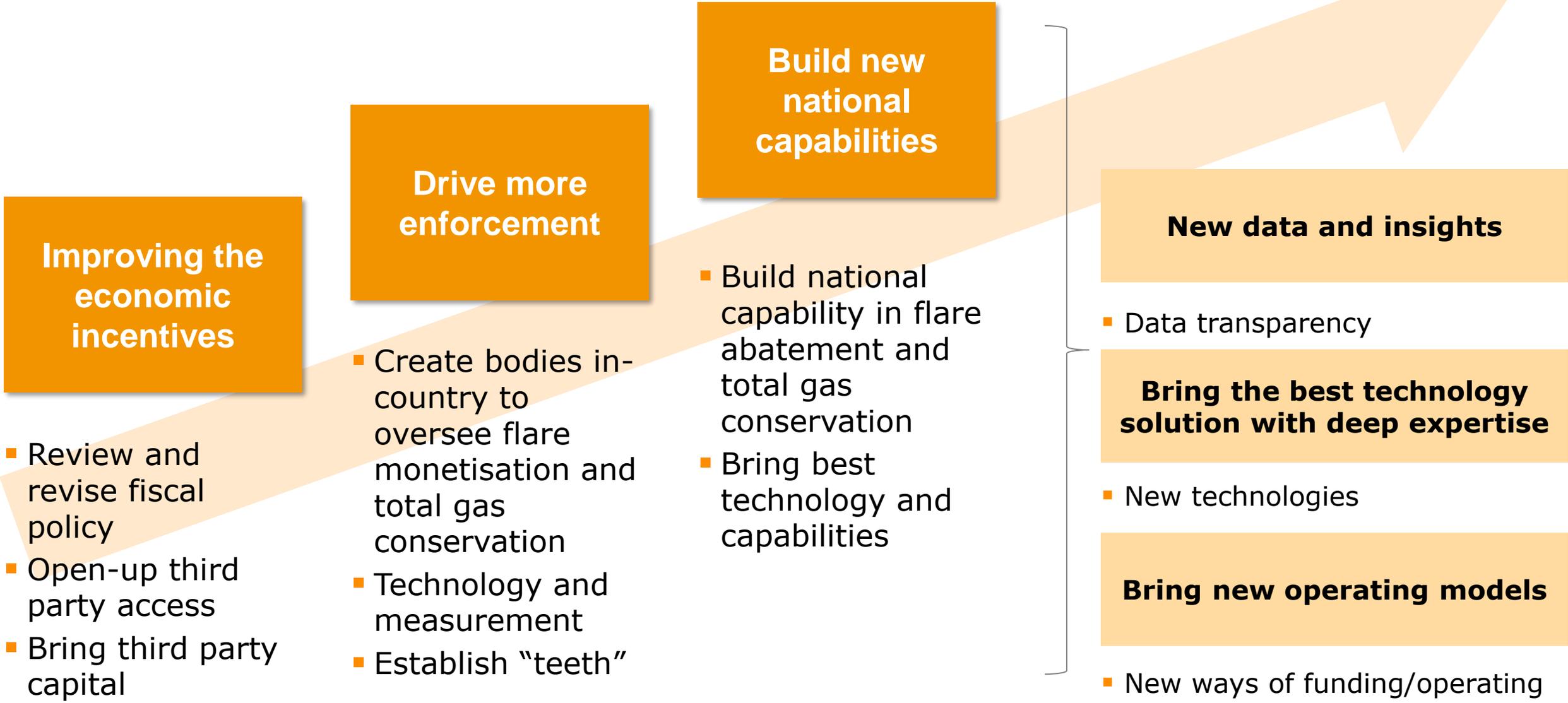
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# To drive real change in the upstream, many countries will need to consider change, supported by new types of players



Source: Capterio

# A very clear message is becoming evident ...

**M**

## IT MUST BE DONE

It's critical to the industry – and the planet – that the GHG emissions of natural gas are reduced

**C**

## IT CAN BE DONE

Technologies can be applied in upstream production and downstream consumer areas to drive change

**P**

## IT PAYS TO DO IT

Solving the issues are a triple win: for asset owners, national government, consumers (and the planet)

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