

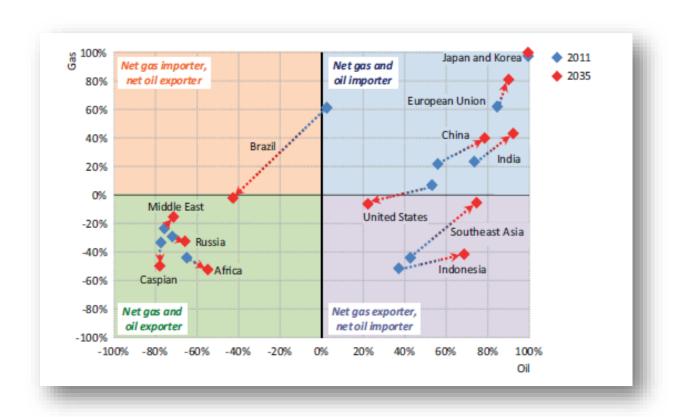
ENERGY DRIVING INDUSTRIAL COMPETITIVENESS

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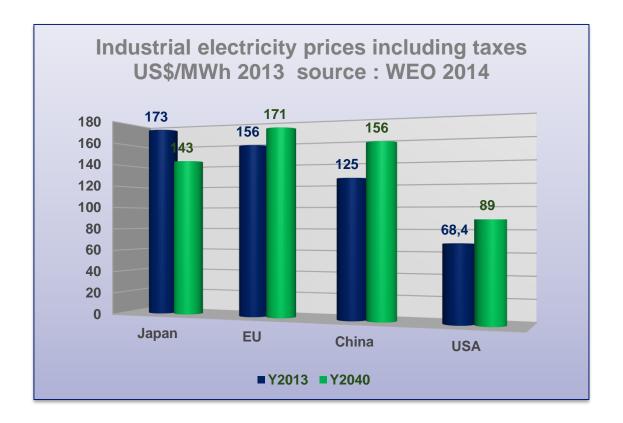
EXPOSURE TO FUEL RISKS IS GOING TO DIVERGE



Dependency from fuel imports is likely to hamper European and Asian growth



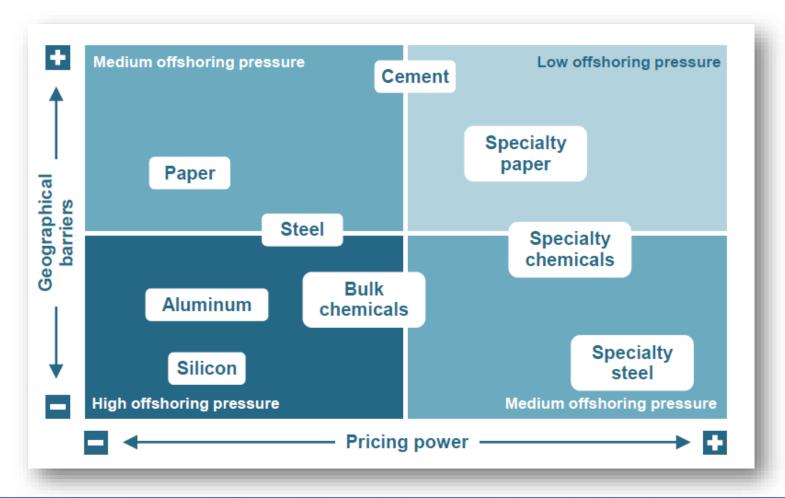
DEPENDENCY WILL NOT ONLY TRANSLATE INTO HIGH FUEL PRICES BUT ALSO IMPACT POWER



North America is likely to keep a significant competitive advantage



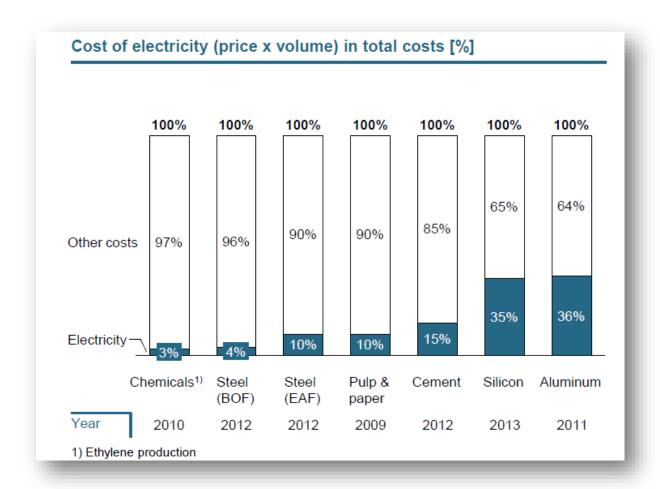
SOME INDUSTRIAL SECTORS ARE MORE SENSITIVE THAN OTHERS



Low transport costs and competitive retail markets expose to offshoring risk



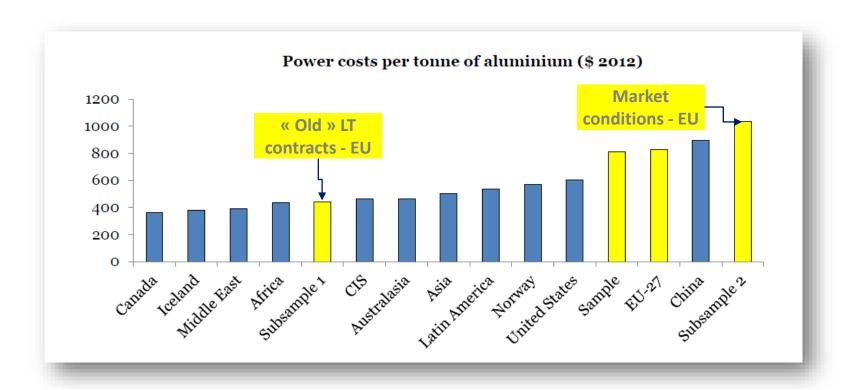
POWER PRICES MAY BE A KEY FACTOR OF COMPETITIVENESS IN SOME SECTORS



Power costs may be high while other cost reductions are very difficult to achieve



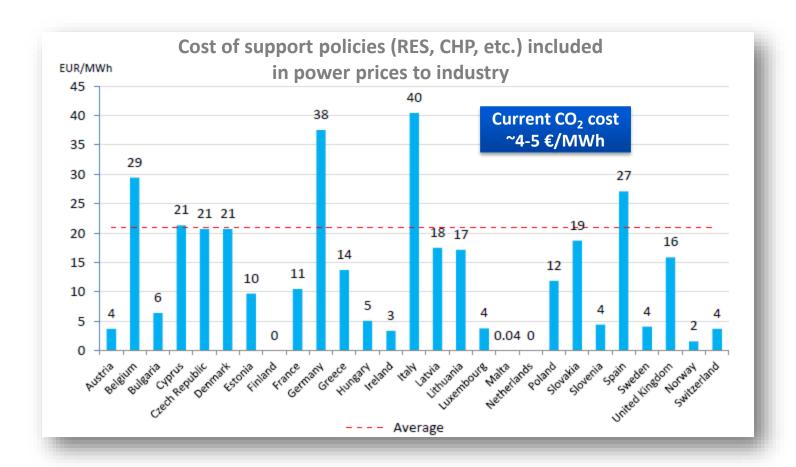
INDUSTRY AND POLICY BATTLES ARE TO BE **EXPECTED**



Controlling industrial power prices is going to be a major priority and a policy issue



EUROPE FACES A MAJOR POLICY COST ISSUE...



The average European industrial customer incurs significant policy costs



...WHICH INEVITABLY RAISES A REDISTRIBUTION AND INTERNATIONAL TRADE ISSUE





- Power prices should remain affordable for households and SMEs.
- Efficient electro- and carbon-intensive companies exposed to extra-European competition may claim they need an appropriate protection.









THANK YOU

