

# **Introduction: Near-Term Action Defined by Longer-Term and Deeper Decarbonization**

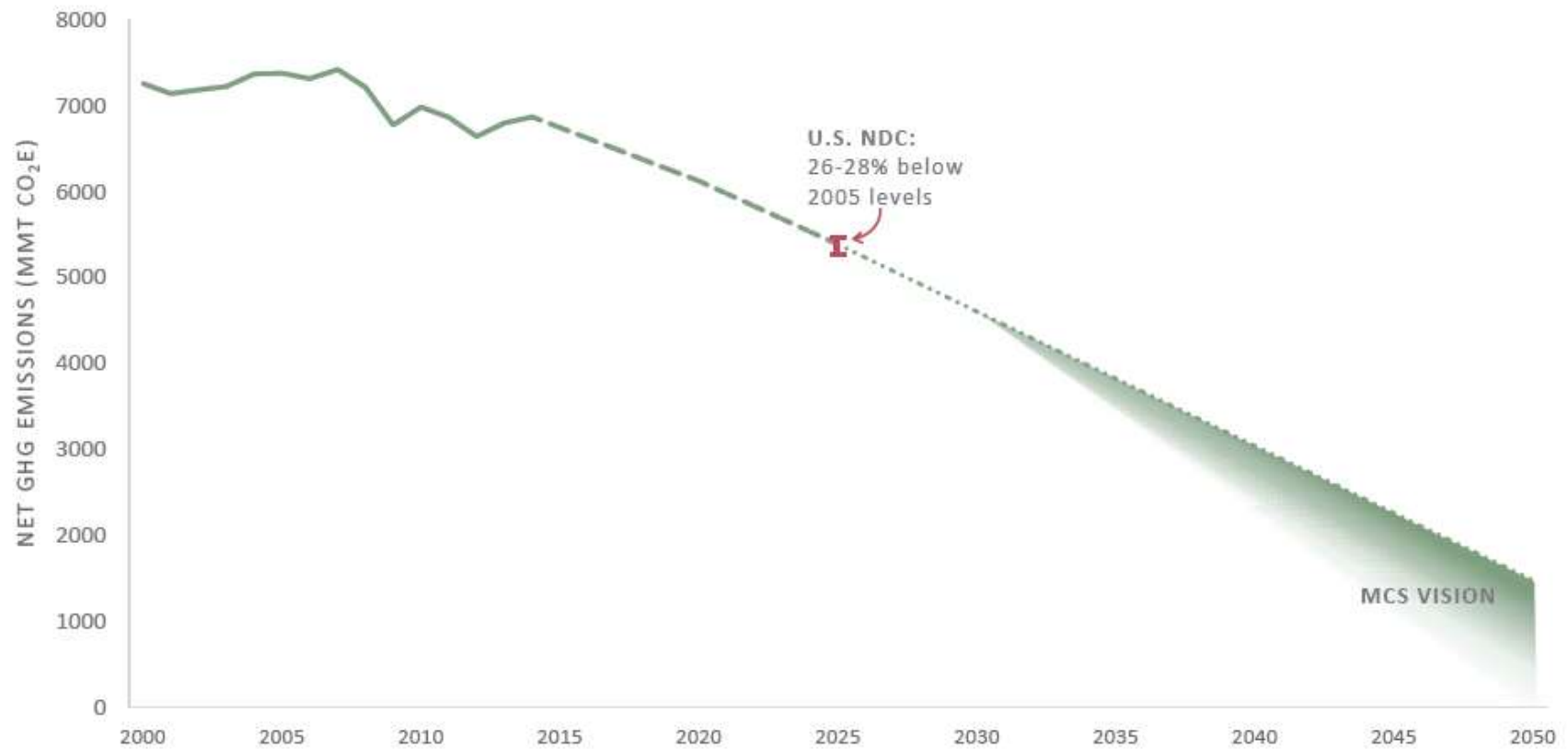
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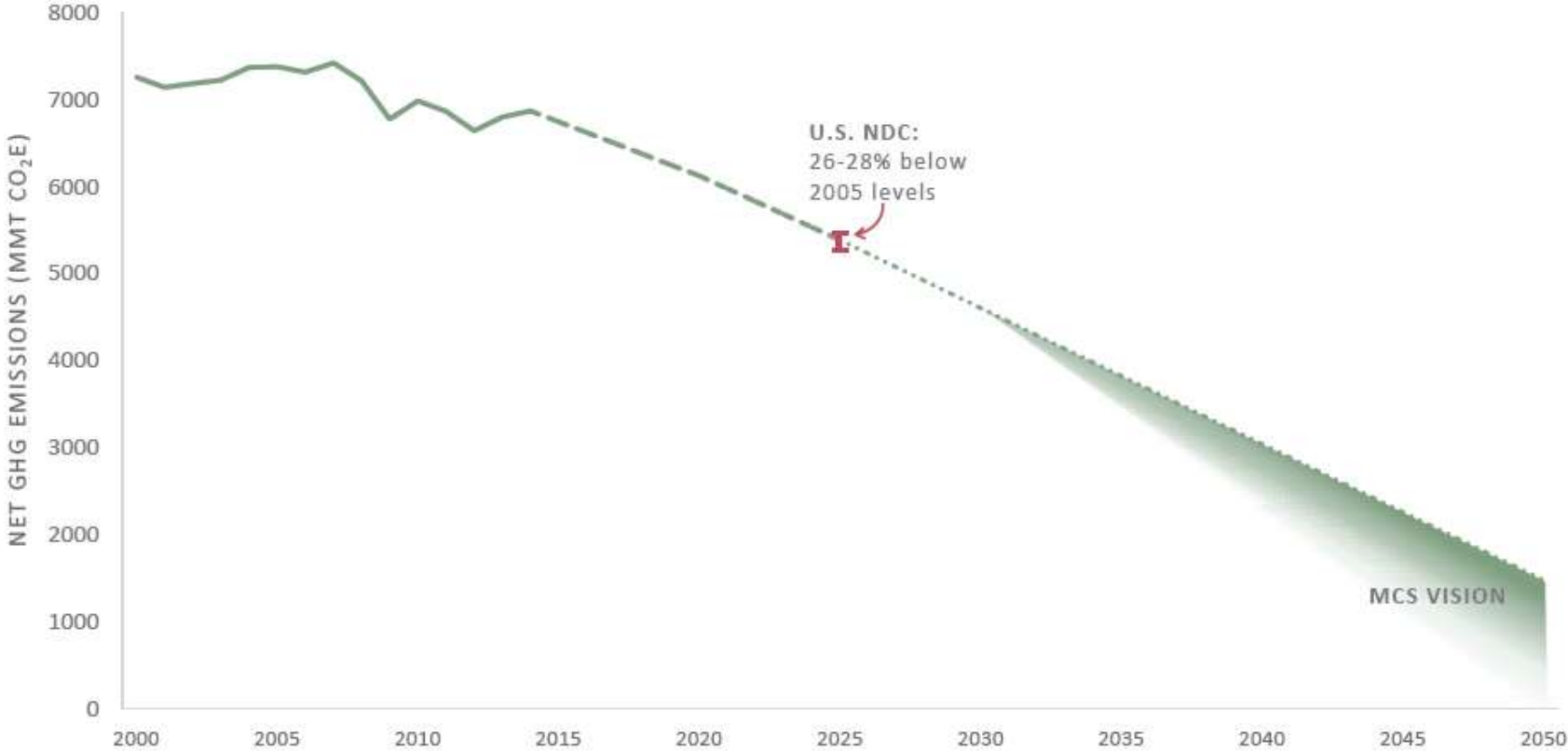
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# The Paris Agreement called for countries to produce “mid-century, long-term low greenhouse gas emission development strategies”



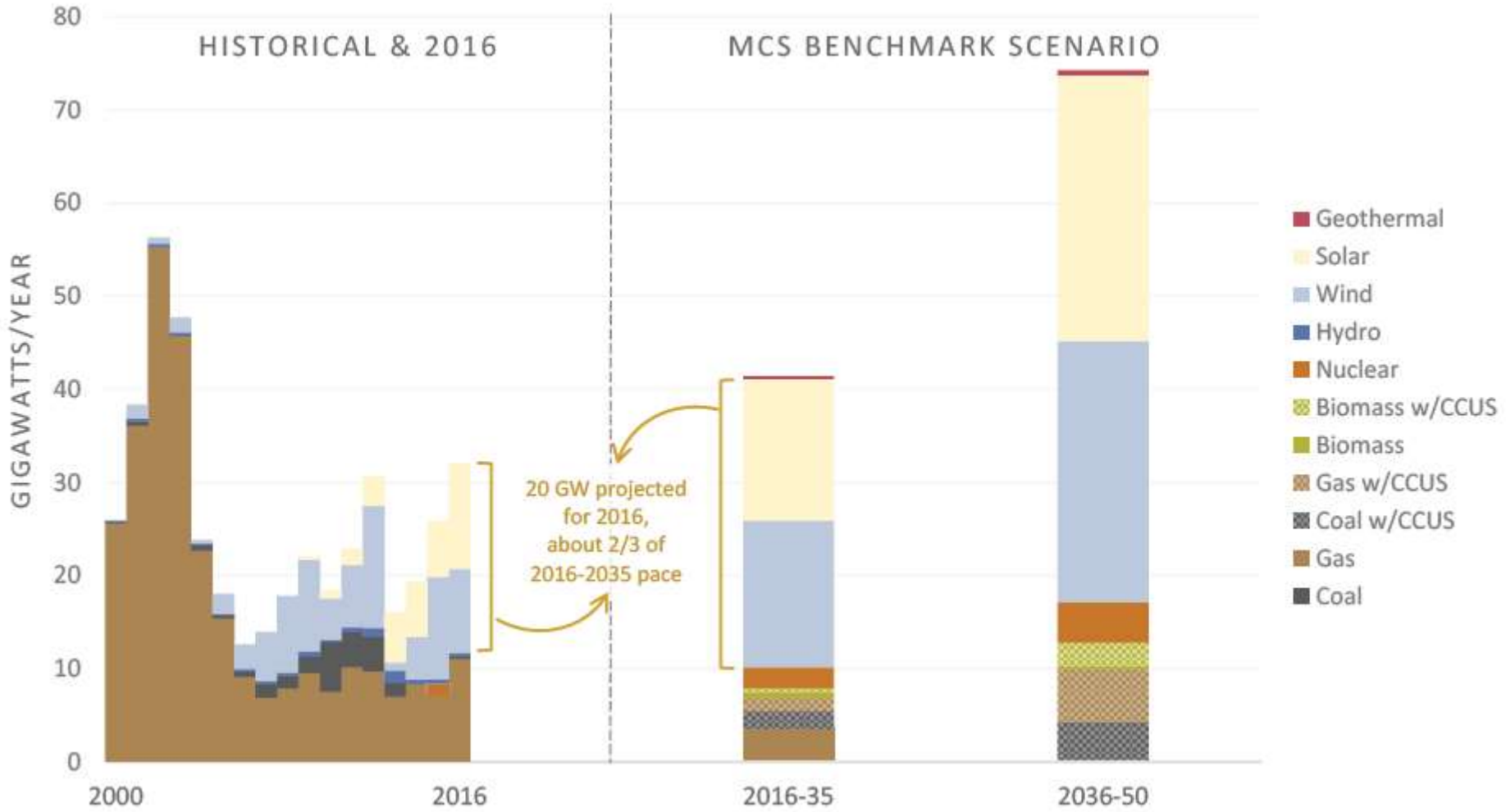
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## Key Questions

- ▶ How can countries and stakeholders effectively **develop momentum, buy-in, and support** for LTS that can, in turn, support near term action?
- ▶ How can long-term **sectoral pathways and strategies**, including technology innovation, be effectively developed and catalyze near term actions?
- ▶ How can LTS and NDC processes and implementation be **linked in practice**?
- ▶ How can key higher level elements be integrated and operationalized within LTS (including **SDGs, resilience/adaptation, and finance**)?
- ▶ What types of **analytical methods** (e.g., scenarios and models) are available to support LTS to enable near term action, and what considerations should be taken in choosing and pursuing key analysis?