



# **CEPS – Benchmarking Insights from Steel – Benchmarks and the Environment**

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# Benchmarks cannot be seen in isolation but are embedded in systems

## Benchmarking and Time

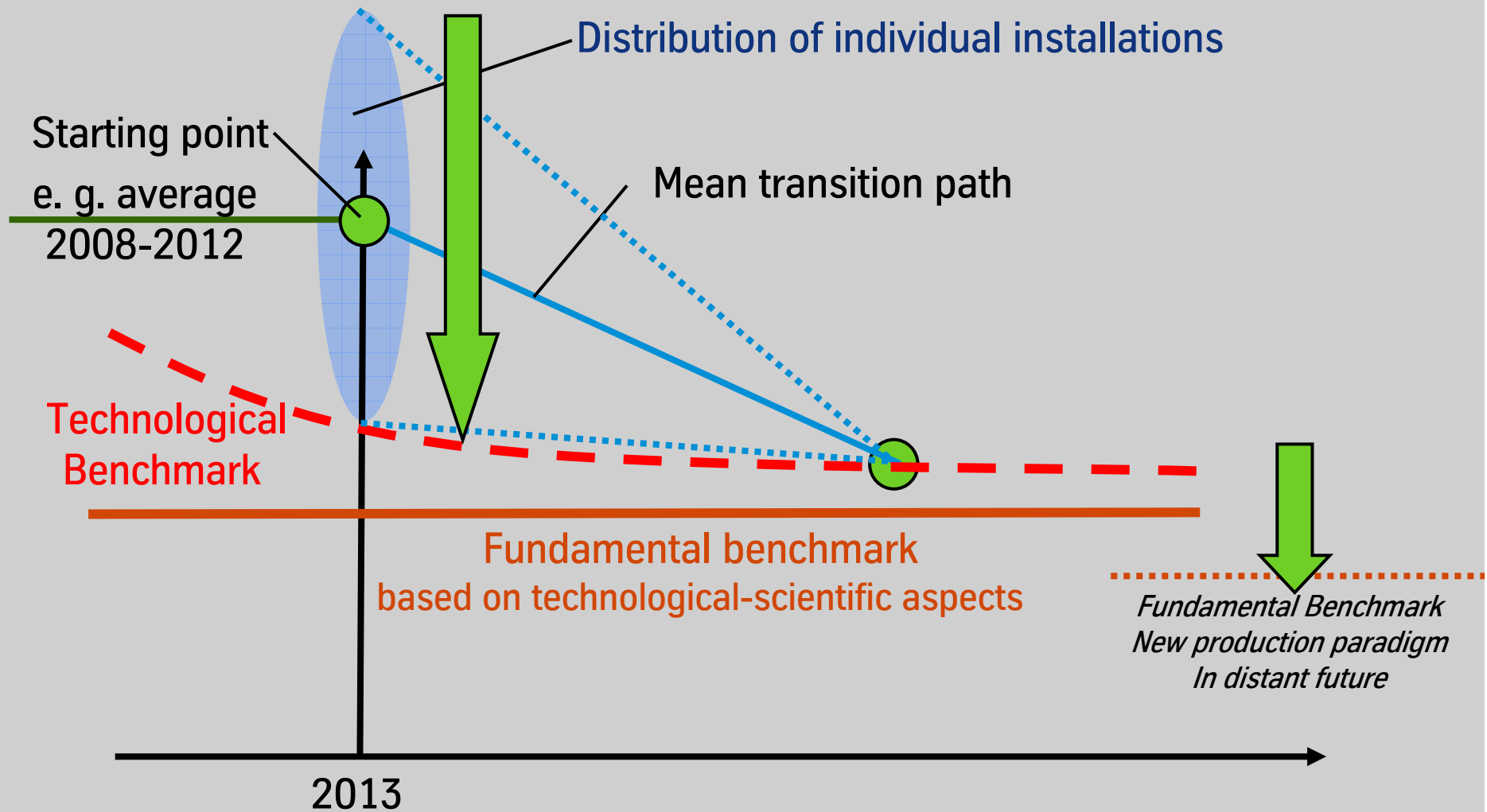
- Are Benchmarks eternally fixed?
- How do Benchmarks evolve?
- How does time affect applicability?

## Benchmarking and Competition

- What are Benchmarks worth?
- How do Benchmarks impact competition?



# General Elements of a benchmark approach - schematic



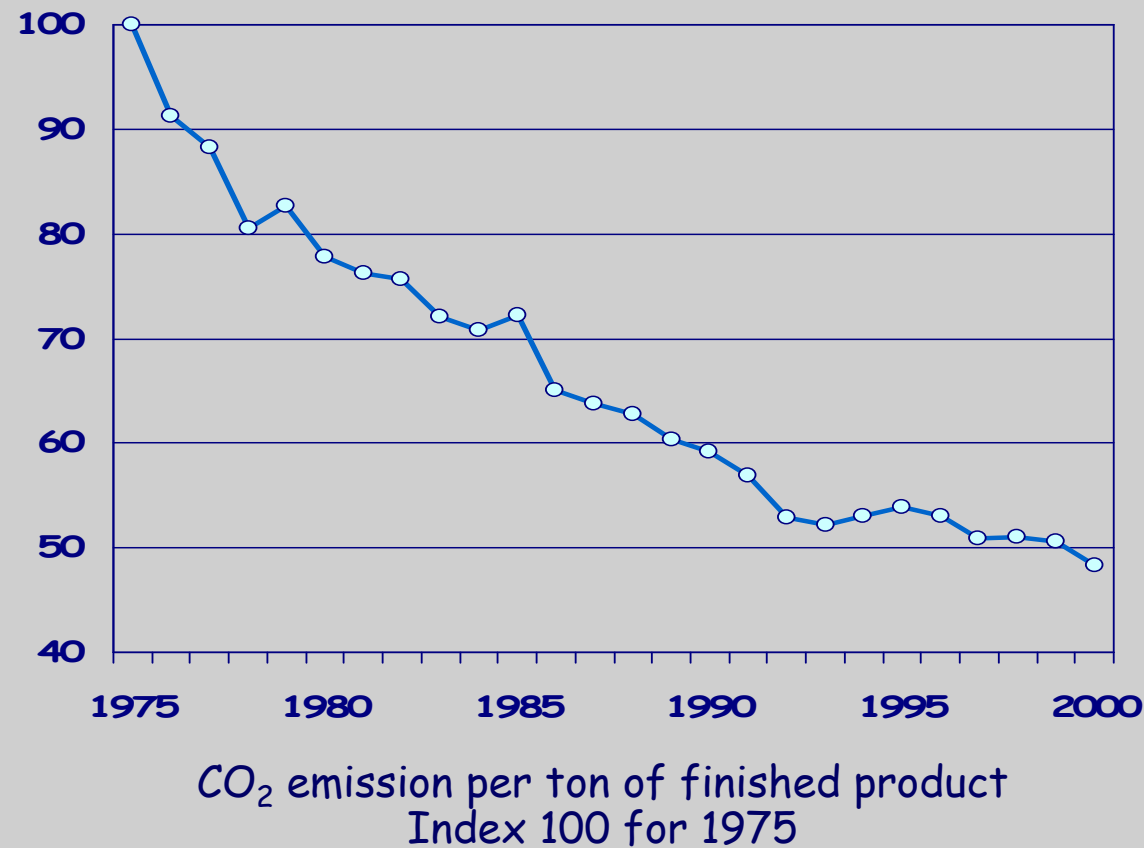
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Transition phase

Benchmark phase



## Past achievements in Europe Steel Industry (EU15) are already considerable – very early action!



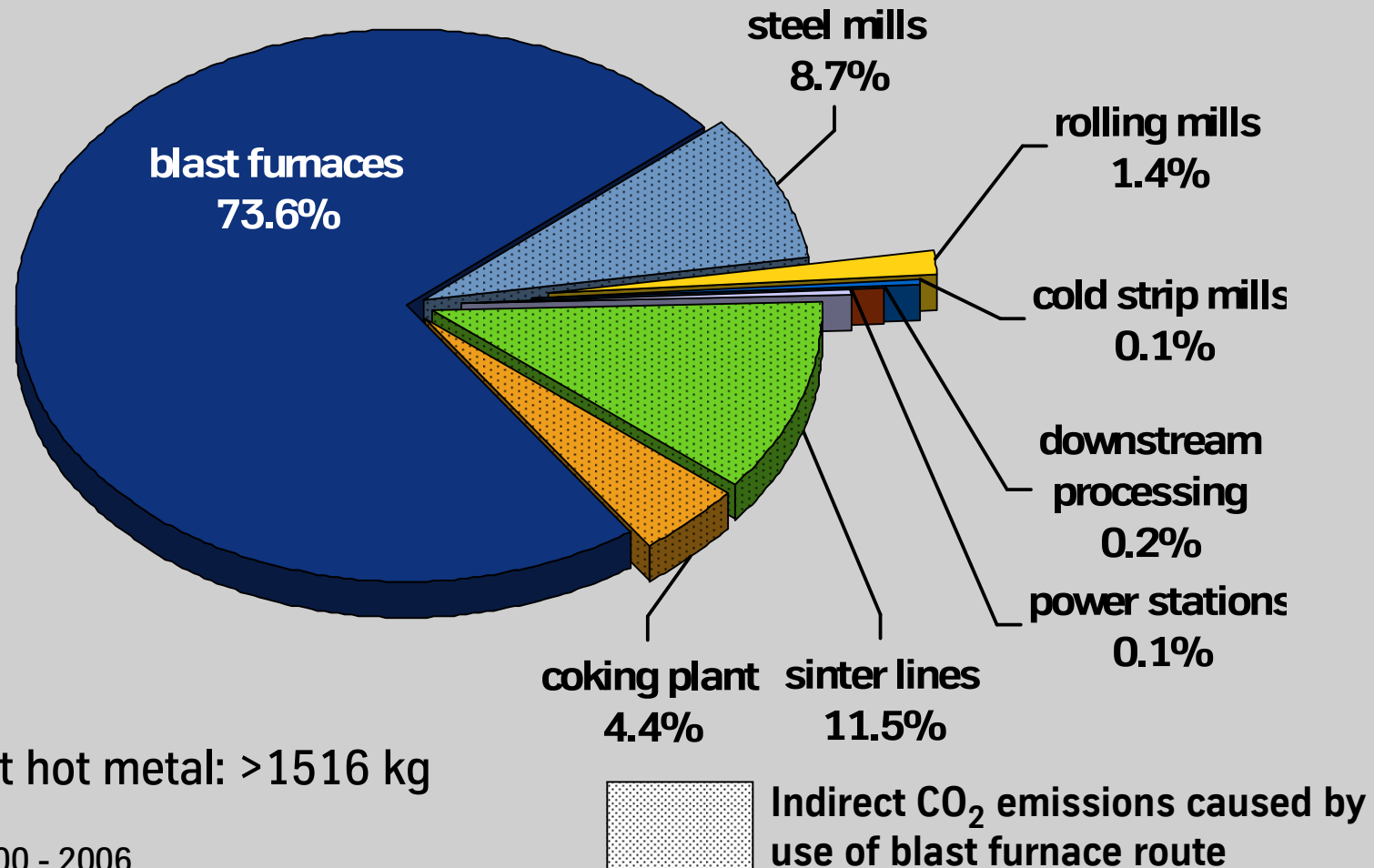
Source: Eurostat/Eurofer

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# The Blast Furnace is main CO<sub>2</sub> emitter in steel production

Direct and related emissions account for well over 90%.



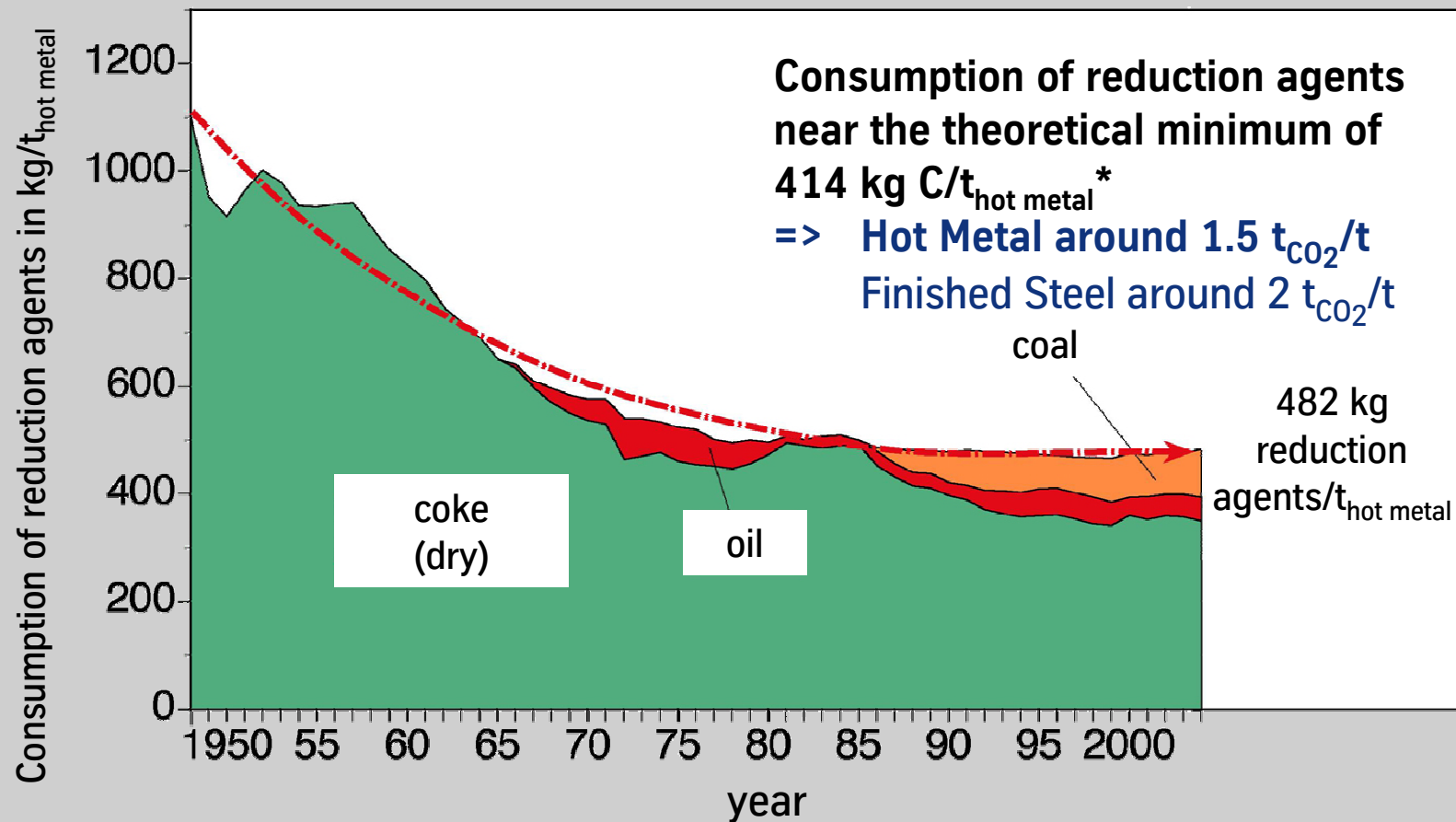
Total CO<sub>2</sub>/t hot metal: >1516 kg

average 2000 - 2006

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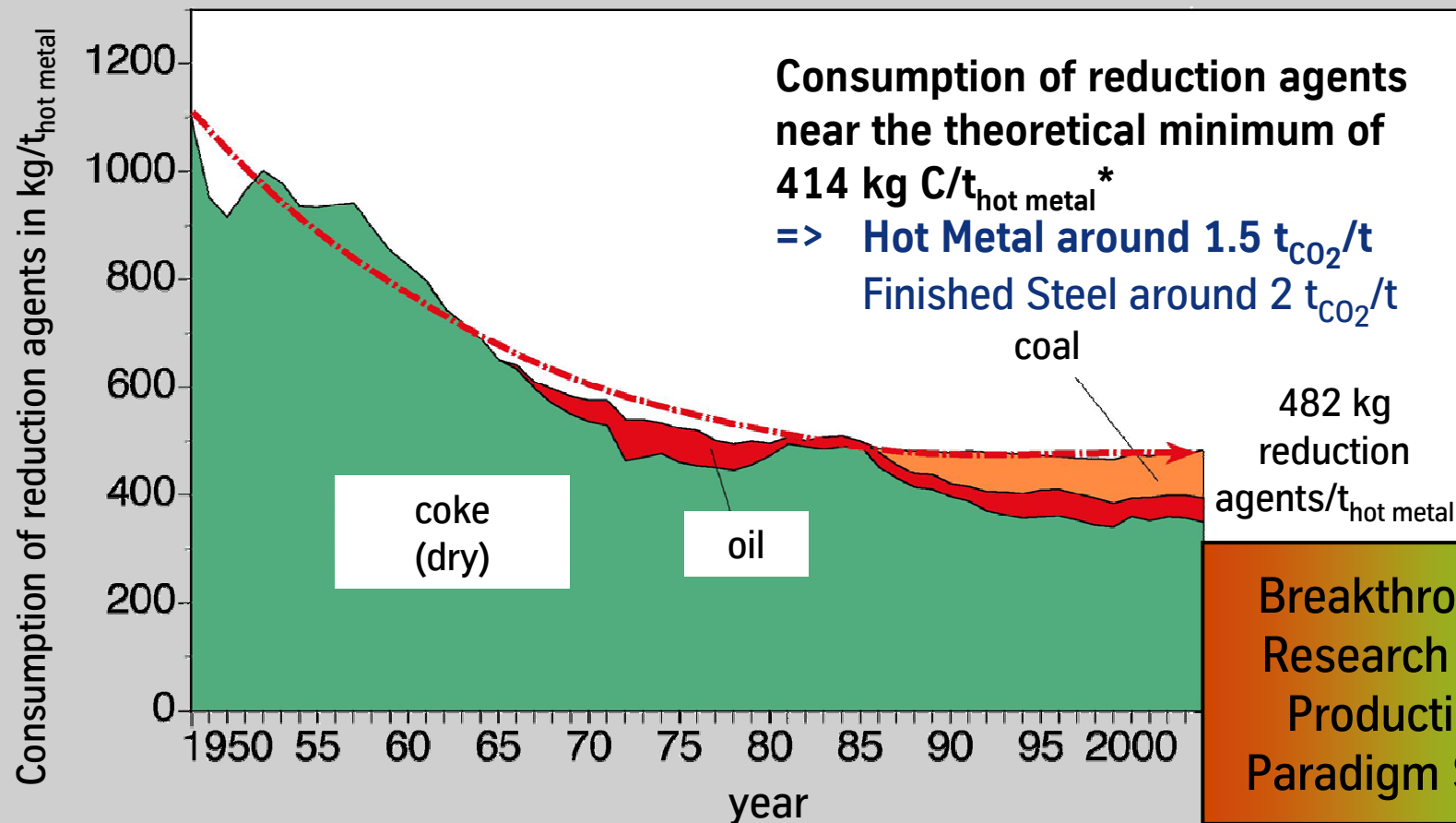
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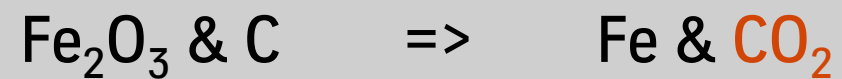
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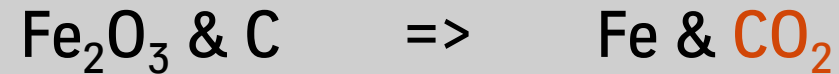
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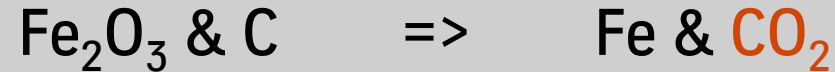
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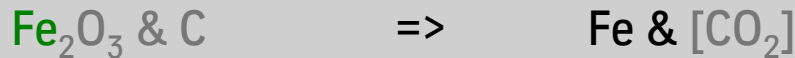
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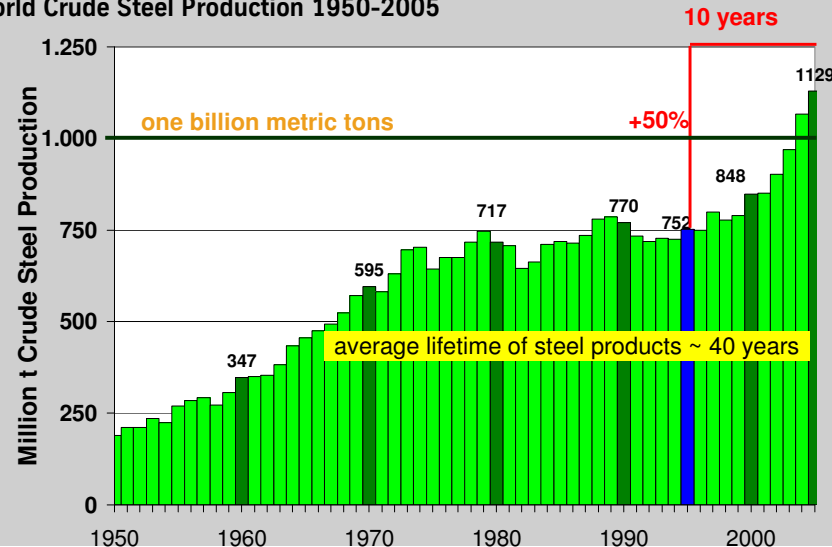
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World Crude Steel Production 1950-2005

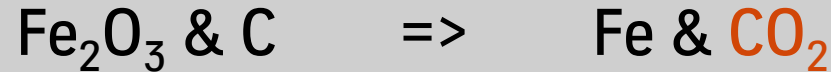


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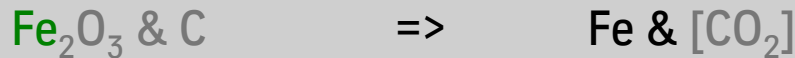
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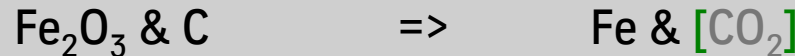
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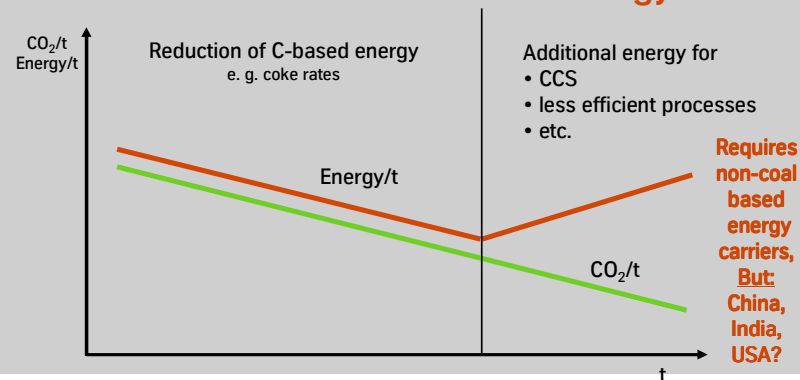
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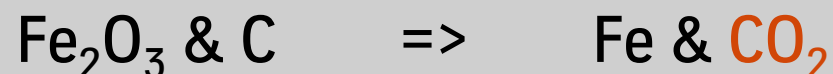


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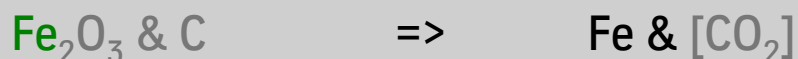
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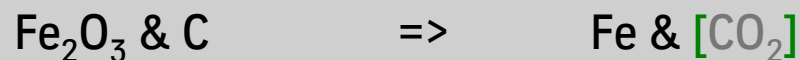
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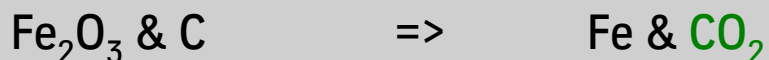
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- a) accept necessary CO2 in steelmaking as investment in CO2 saving products downstream



# ULCOS – Ultra Low CO2 Steelmaking

Breakthrough Technologies for the next generations of steel making processes

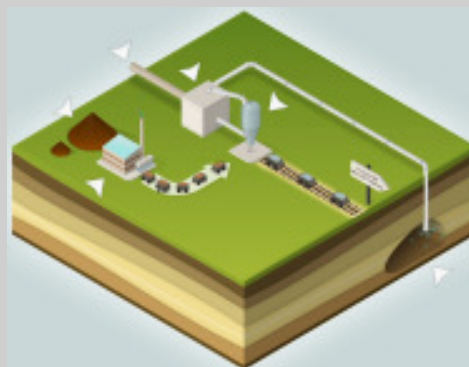
Top-gas Recycling  
Blast Furnace  
from 2025 ?



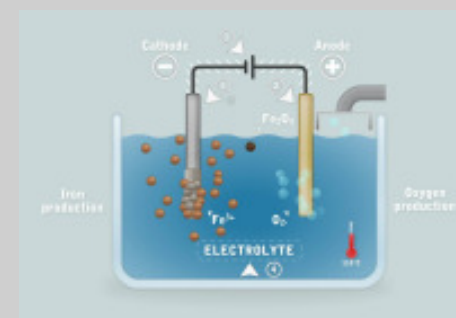
HIsarna  
from 2030 ?



Direct Reduction  
(ULCORED)  
from 2035 ?



Electrolytic  
Steelmaking  
(ULCOLYSIS,  
ULCOWIN)  
2050 ?



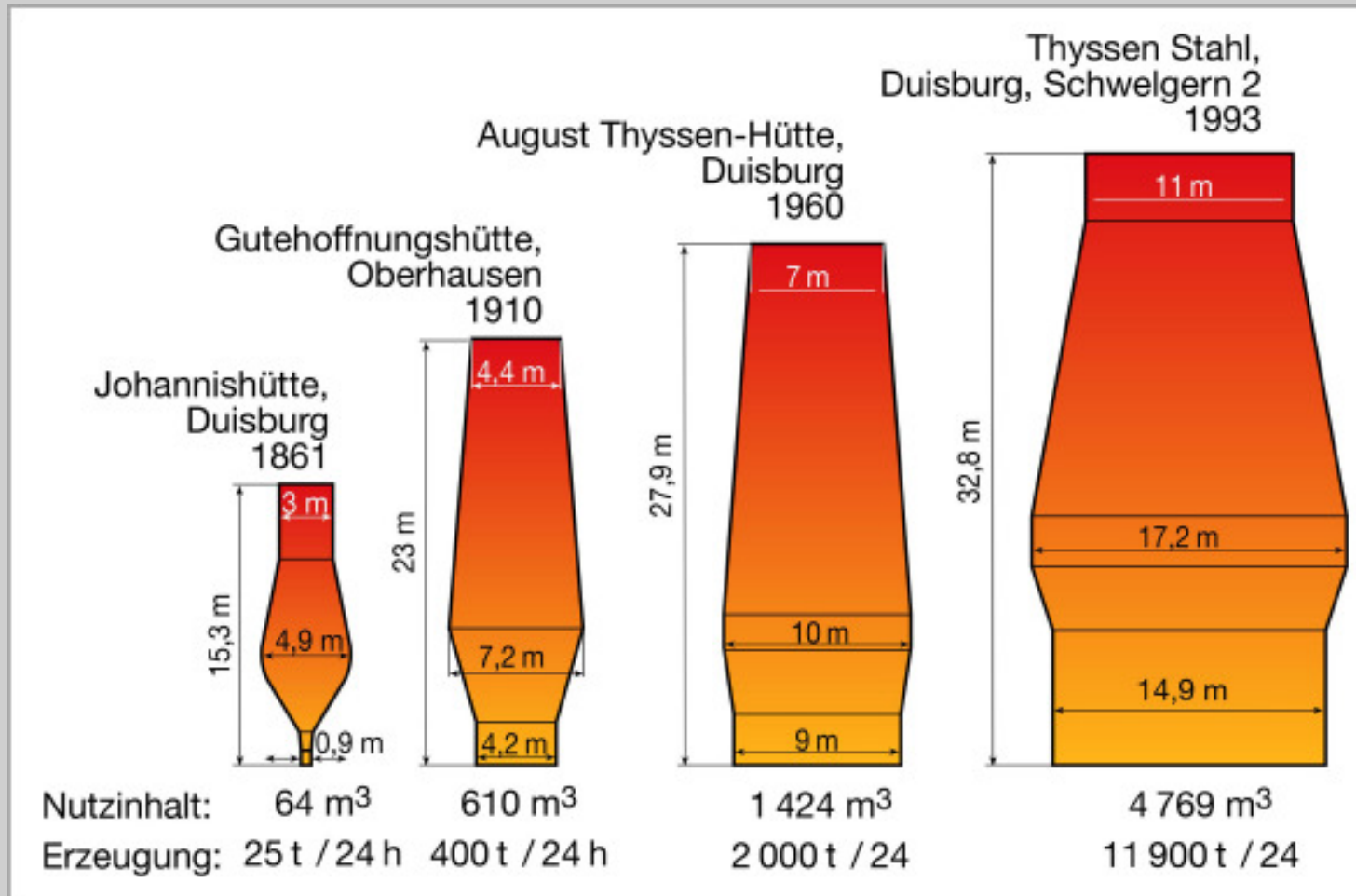
However, all solutions rely on commonly availability CCS and CO2-free electricity

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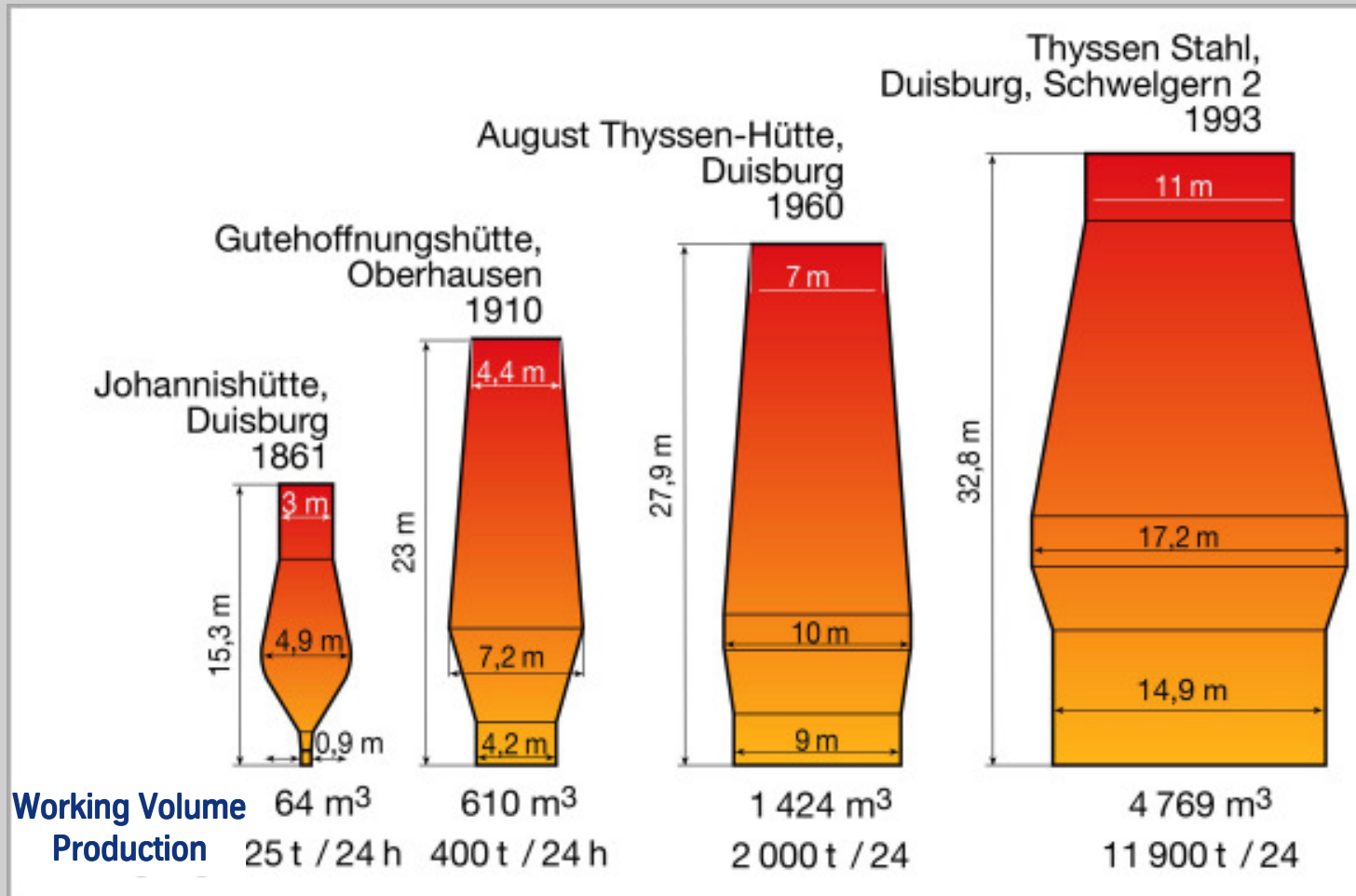


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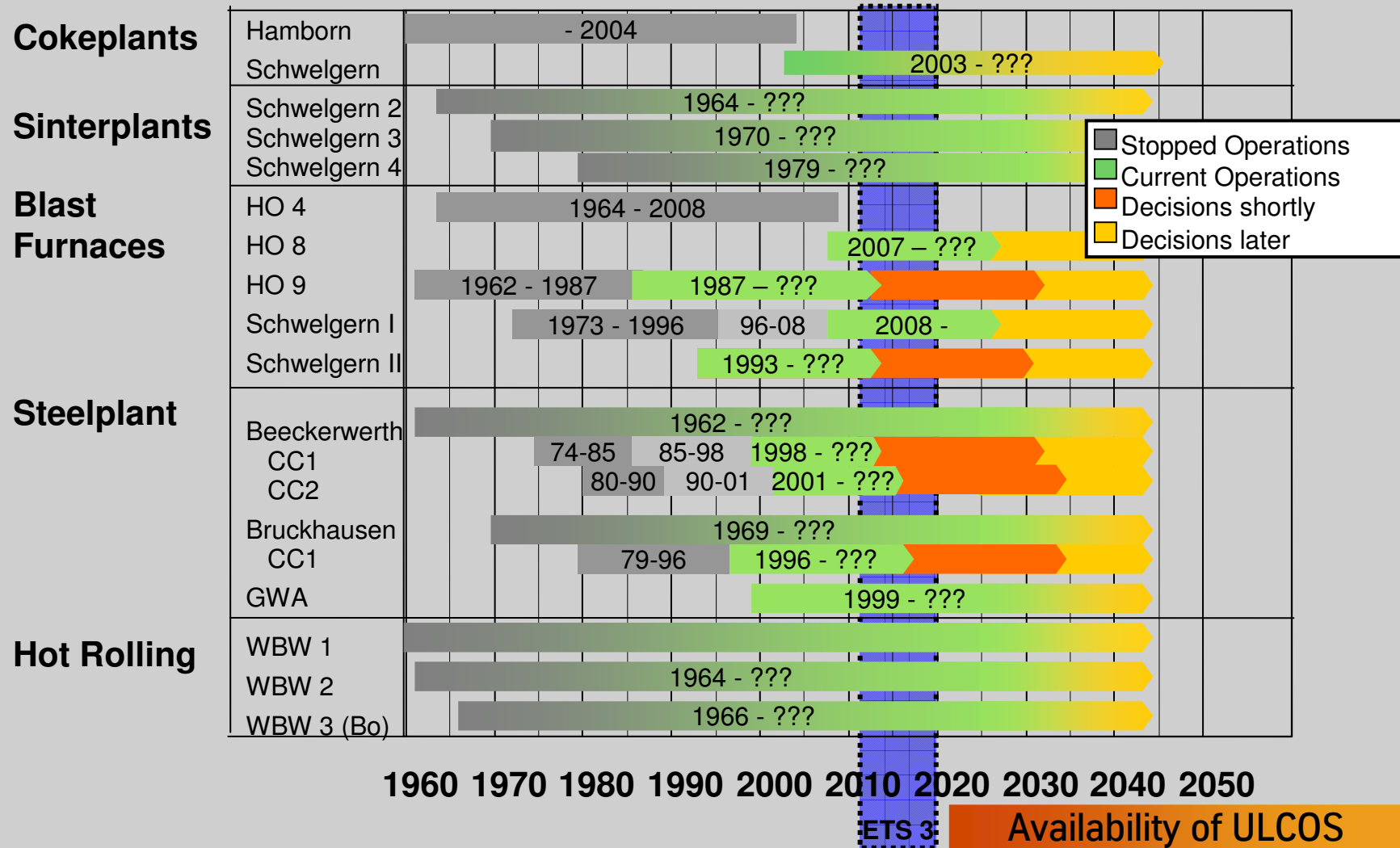
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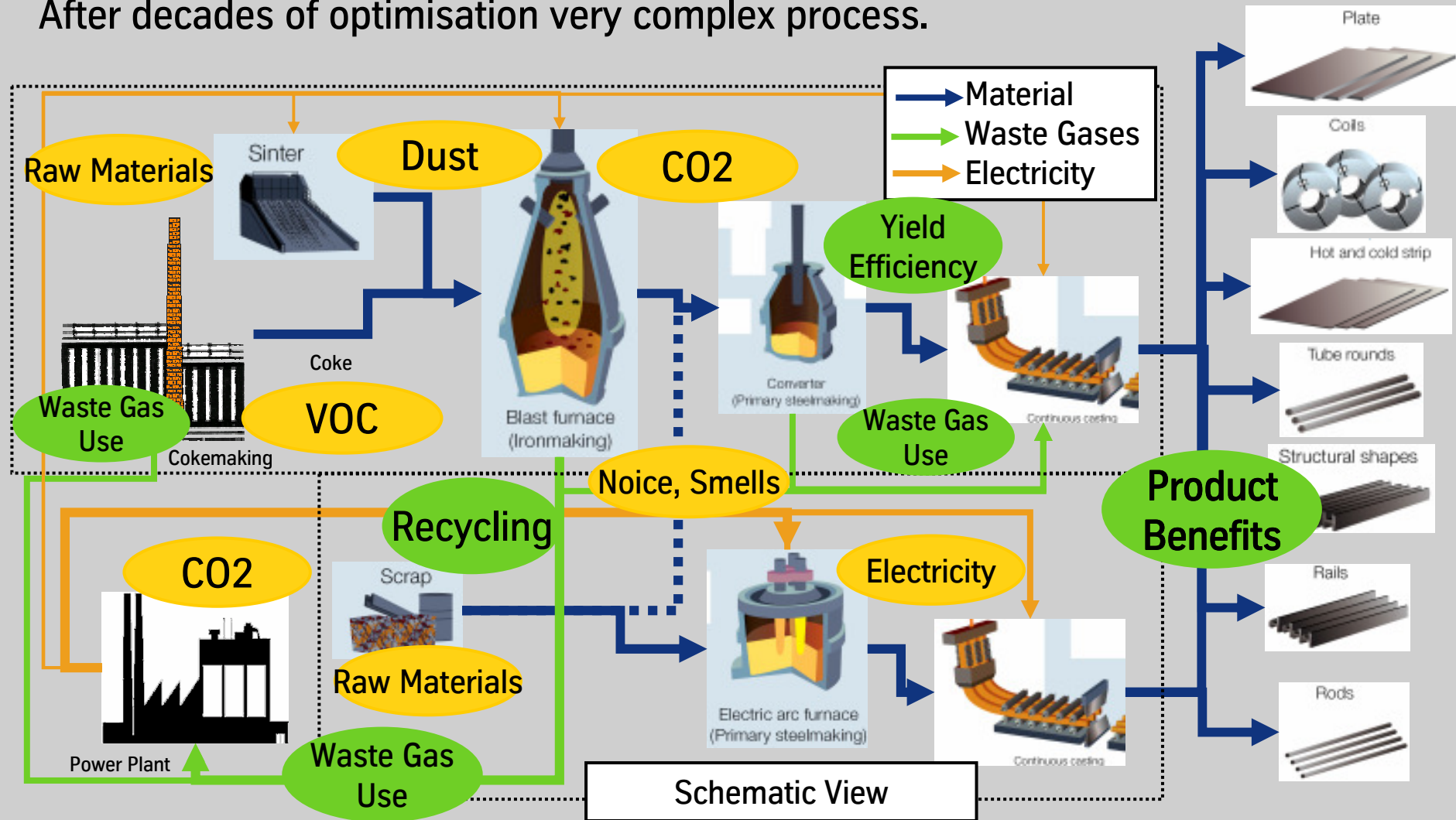
# Timeframe of Operations much longer than ETS phases





# Steel Production and its Environmental and Climate Issues

After decades of optimisation very complex process.



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# Intelligent Steel Uses taps into huge saving potentials

Examples – Heavy Plate, Hot Rolled, Electrical Steels, Tin Plate

Heat-treated heavy plate for high performance applications



Mobile Cranes: Relation Lifting Capacity to Weight in use raised to 8:1

Grain-orientated Electrical Steel for effective energy generation



Efficiency up to 99%

HR with thicker diameters in sour gas qualities



Supports economic access to oil and gas fields under increasingly difficult conditions

Tin Plate offers innovation potential for packaging applications



Thicknesses of 0.07mm results in extreme demands on deep-drawing capability

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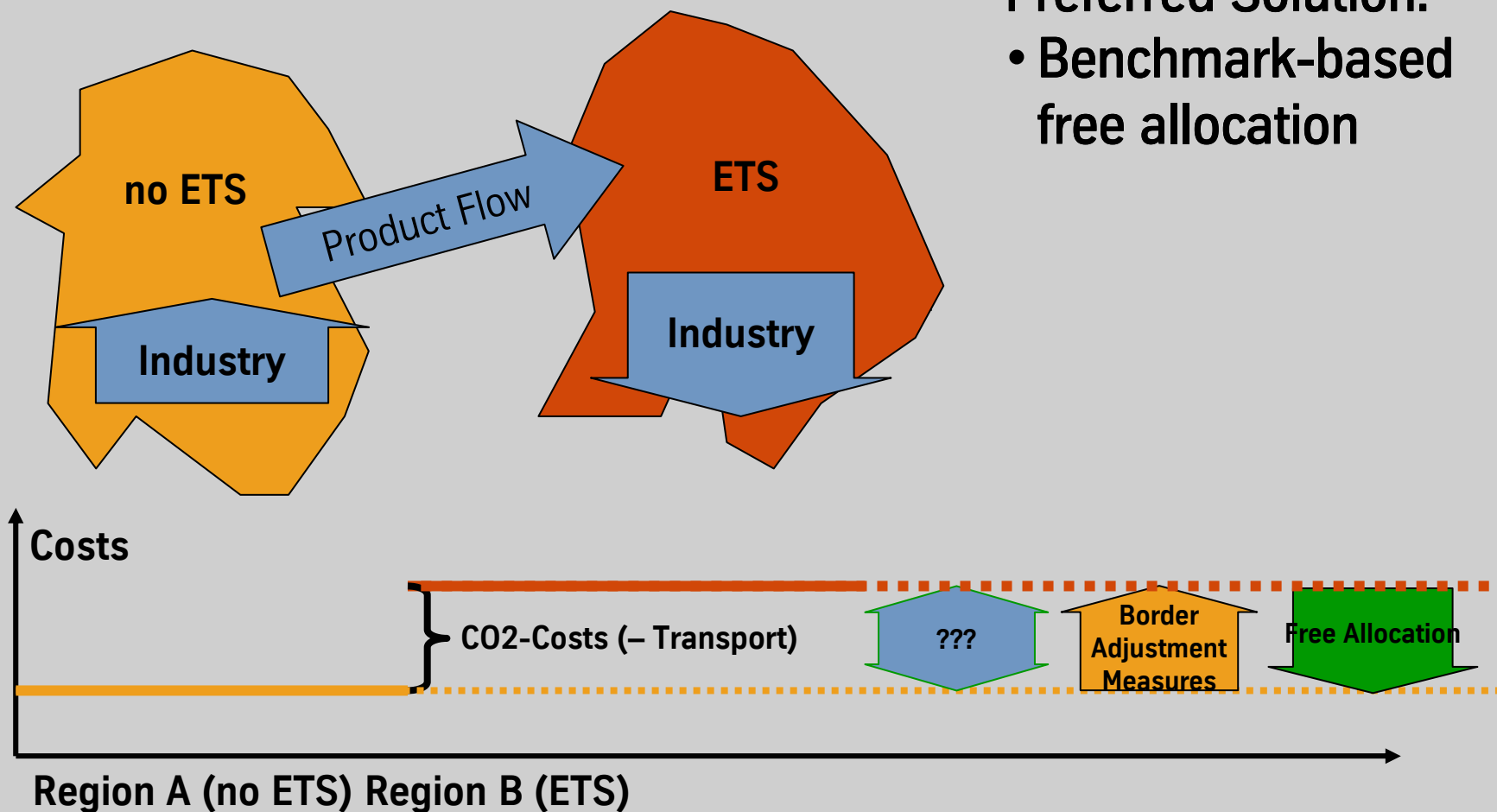


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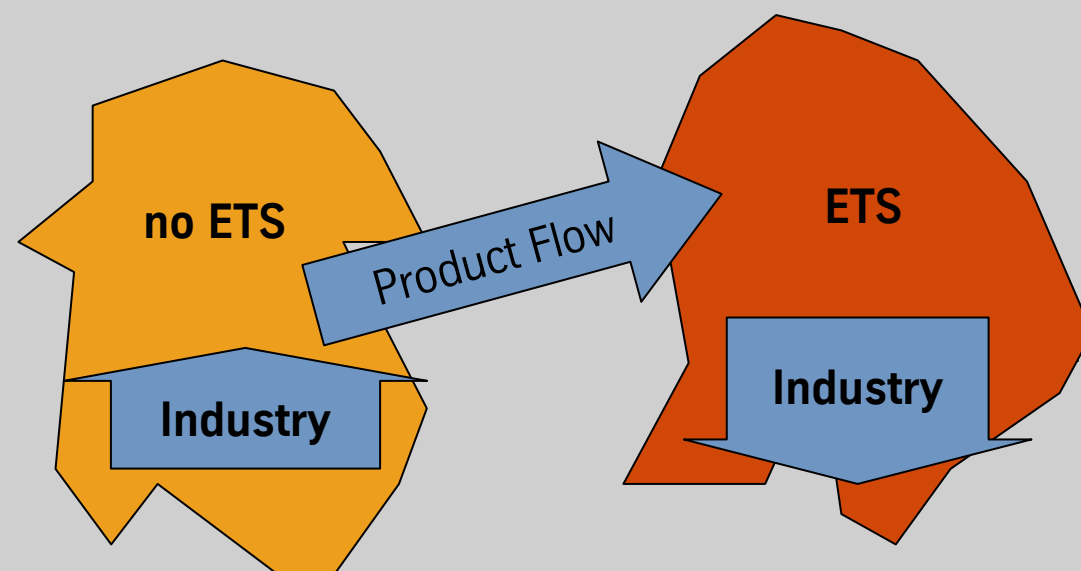


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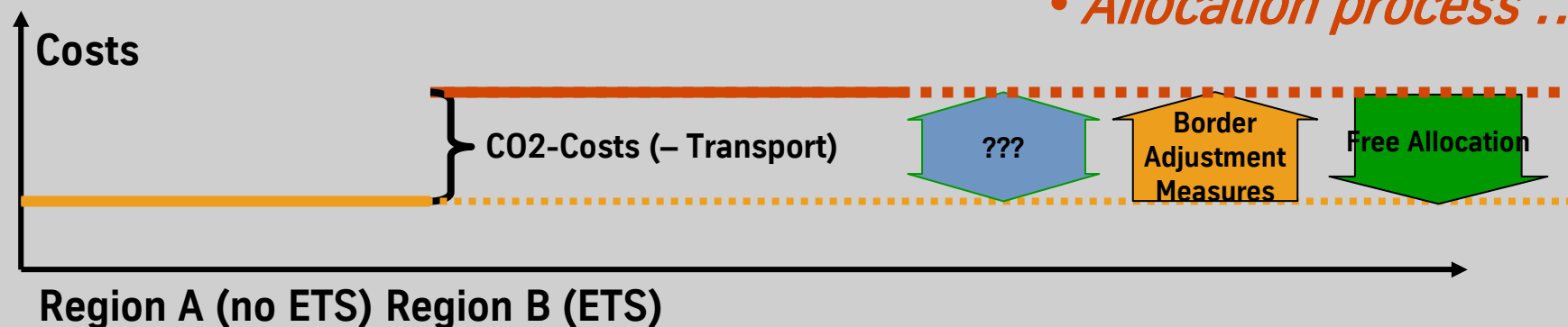


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Benchmarks:

- 10% best ?
- Average performer ?
- Political number ?
- *Allocation process ...*



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## Technology Issues

- Benchmark CO<sub>2</sub> emissions of technologies ( $\times t_{\text{CO}_2}/t_{\text{product}}$ ); or
- Benchmark existence of technology (x out of y technologies from list)





Wherever the future leads us,  
Steel will bridge the challenges!



Many thanks for your kind attention!

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