



# The Role of CCS in the Middle East

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# Outline

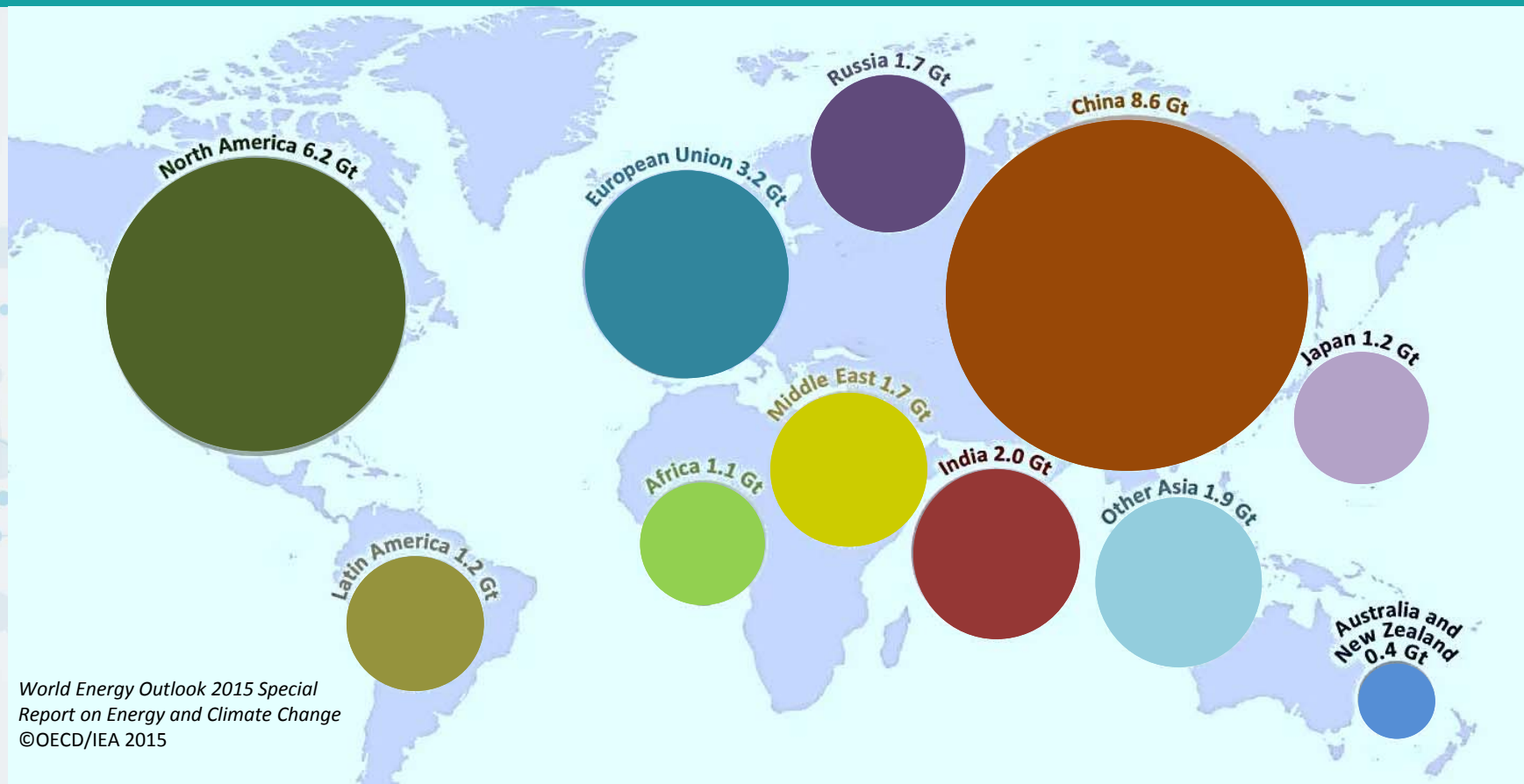
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# Introduction



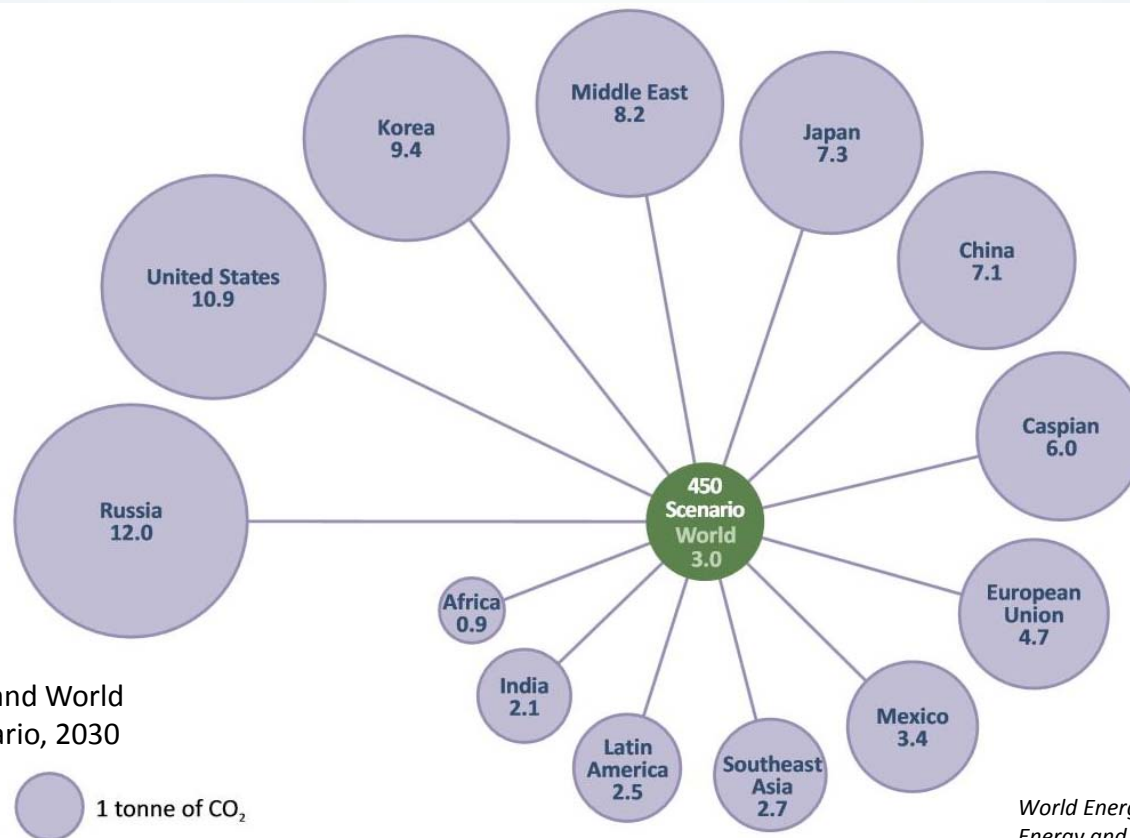
- Bahrain
- Iran
- Iraq
- Jordan
- Kuwait
- Lebanon
- Oman
- Qatar
- Saudi Arabia
- Syria
- UAE
- Yemen

# Energy-related CO2 emissions, 2014



World Energy Outlook 2015 Special  
Report on Energy and Climate Change  
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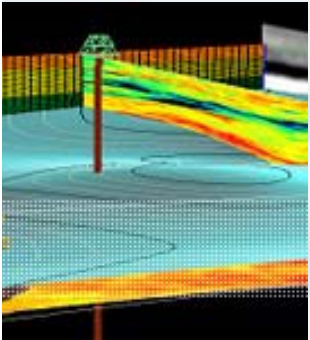
# Energy-related CO2 emissions per capita



Regional INDC Scenario and World Average in the 450 Scenario, 2030

1 tonne of CO<sub>2</sub>

# CCS Efforts in the Middle East



# Large scale CCS and EOR projects

## Uthmaniyah (Saudi Arabia)



## Emirates Steel CCUS Project (UAE)



## Jubail CO2 Plant (Saudi Arabia)



## QAFAC CO2 Recovery Plant (Qatar)



# Uthmaniyah (Saudi Arabia)

- By Saudi Aramco
- Integrated CO2 capture, transport and storage through EOR
- CO2 capture and storage capacity of 800,000 tons annually





# Emirates Steel CCS Project (UAE) *in progress*

- Joint venture between Adnoc and Masdar
- World's first iron and steel project to apply CCS at large scale
- CO2 capture capacity will be 800,000 tons annually for enhanced oil recovery



# Jubail CO2 Plant (Saudi Arabia) *in progress*

- Led by Saudi Basic Industries Corporation (SABIC)
- CO2 to be used in the production of methanol and urea
- Estimated 500,000 tons of CO2 emissions will be saved each year



# QAFAC CO2 Recovery Plant (Qatar)

- Led by Qatar Fuel Additives Company (QAFAC)
- CO2 is captured from combustion exhaust gas emitted in the methanol production process and used as feedstock to boost methanol production
- Recovery plant of around 500 tons per day of CO2



# Saudi R&D activities



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# KAPSARC

- Provides advice and assists in planning for CO2 capture and reuse
- “CCS Implementation Strategies for the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia” inaugural project



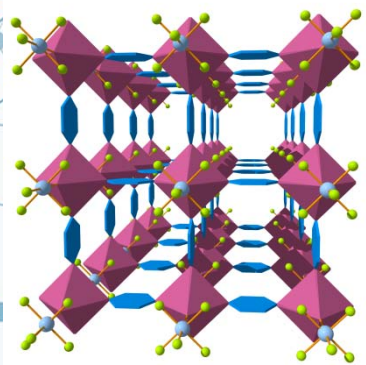
# KACST/KFUPM Technology Innovation Center

- The mission of the KACST/KFUPM Technology Innovation Center for CCS is to develop, transfer, enhance and apply the technologies of carbon capture and sequestration to the nation



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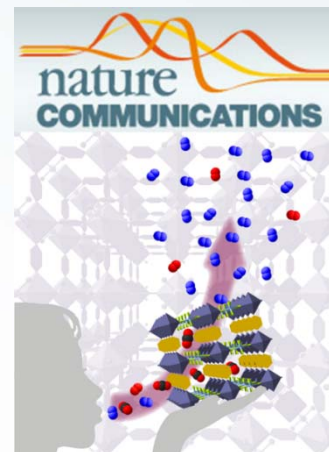
## KAUST Advanced Membranes & Porous Materials Research Center



### **SIFSIX-3-Cu**

Best material to date  
for CO<sub>2</sub> removal in confined space

*Nature Communications*, 2014



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# KAUST Catalysis Research Center





# Building intellectual capacity



# Petroleum Institute



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Upstream Petroleum Engineering  
Research Center



# Collaboration for Success





# *Thank You*

*Resources*

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