Cuban's Energy Strategy into 2030:

General Design Features towards a Sustainable Transition

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Why Cuba?



Cuba is an Island under Embargo

1959: The Cuban socialist revolution succeeds.

The American trade embargo and the support of Soviet Union are set up.

1991: Soviet subsidies and trade exchanges are stopped.
In 4 years, the energy consumption has fallen by more than 40%, GDP by 35%, industrial production by 80% and foreign trade by 75%.

What are the Embargo Implications ?

The Cuban inhabitants had to deeply change their life style to adapt to the new conditions , in all sectors of activity.



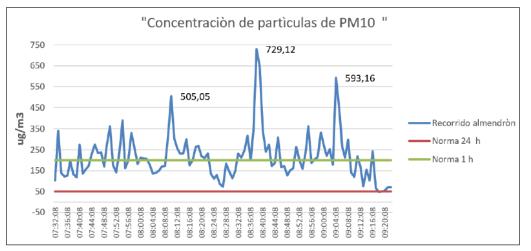


What are the Embargo Implications ?

Slow renewal of technologies



Obsolete technologies generate environmental problems: example of air quality



Air Quality Study

Air Quality Study: Emissions

Emissions from industrial and energy sectors

The emission factors for the industries had already been estimated using measures by the Cuban Ministry of Energy (Cubaenergia).

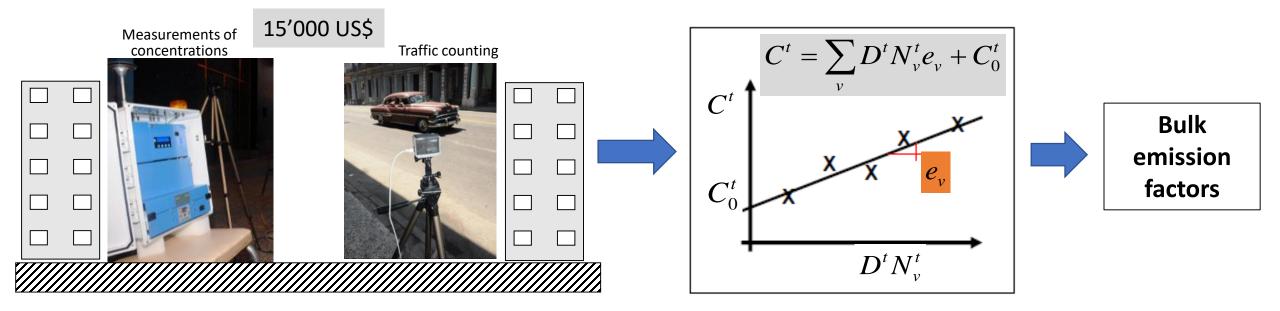


Air Quality Study: Emissions

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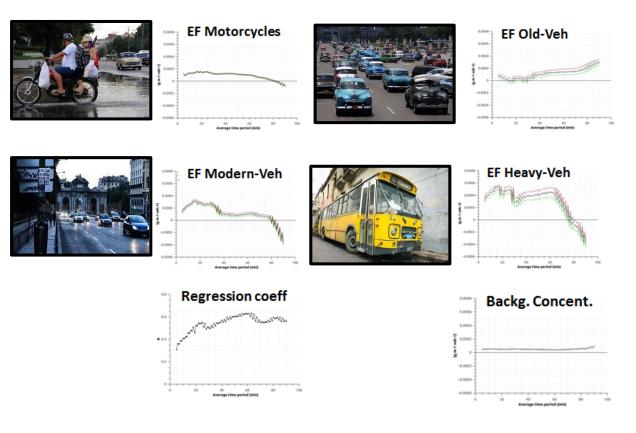
Emissions from the transport sector

Emission factors for vehicles were not estimated using measurements in a lab. A measurement campaign have been organized in the framework of our project.



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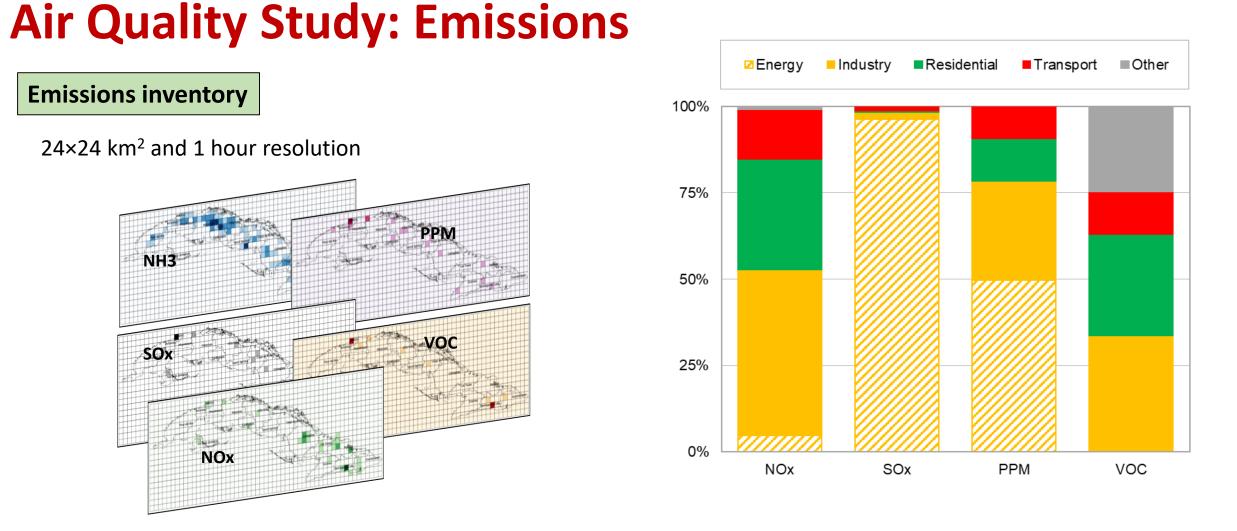
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	Emissions (mg/km)	Std. Dev 95% Confid	Emis. (mg/km/pers)	Concent. (µ/m3)
Motorcycles	111.8	2.7	55.9	4.4
Modern vehicles	91.3	11.2	22.8	9.6
Old vehicles	124.2	18.5	31.1	26.7
Bus	413.8	31.25	3.5	14.9

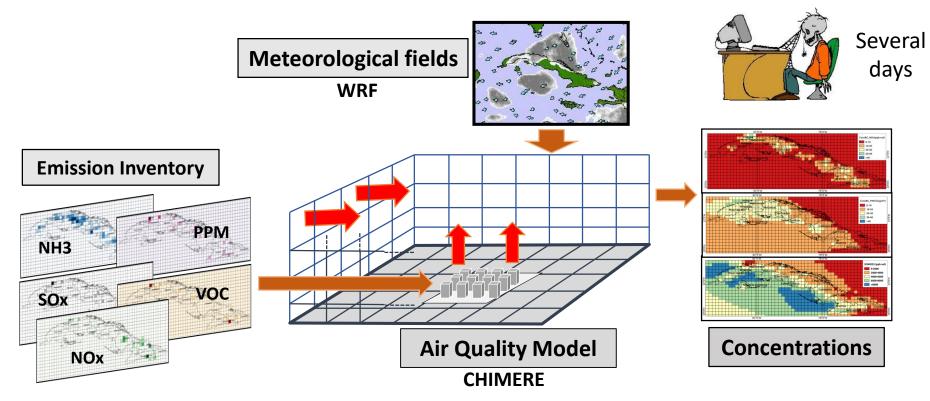
- 1. Identification of **time-averaging**
- 2. **Principal Component Regression (PCR)** instead of Multi Linear Regression (MLR)

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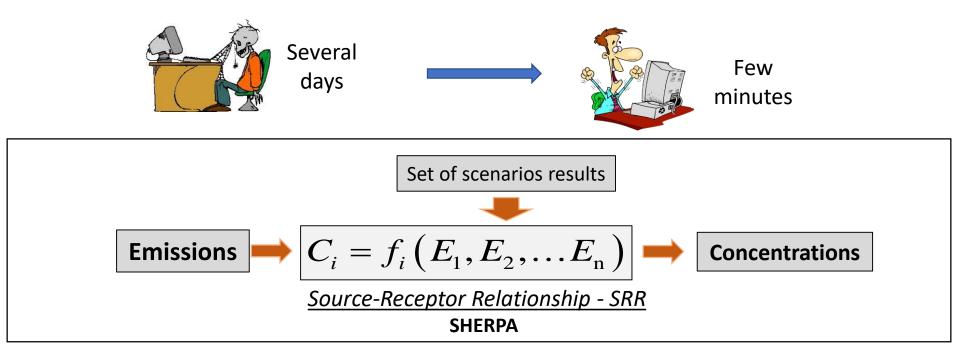


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Air Quality Study: Numerical Simulations

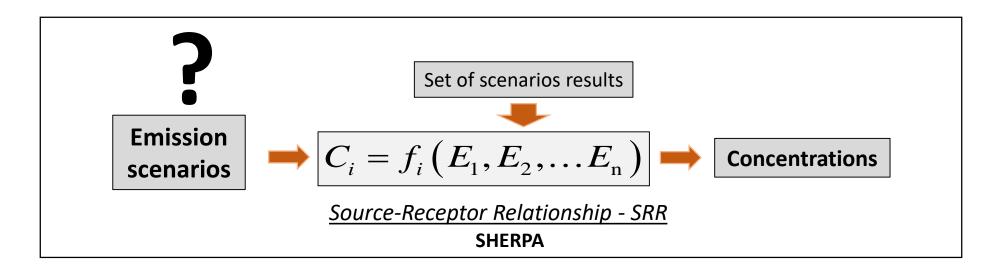


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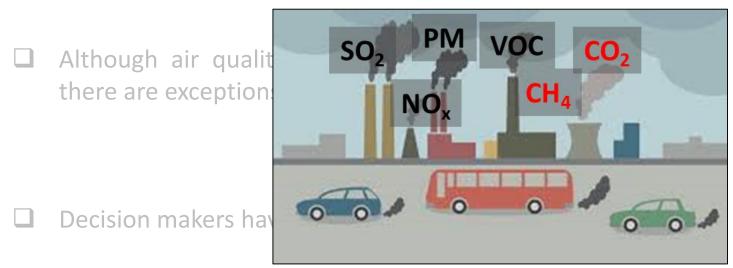
Air Quality Study: Abatement Strategies



Design of Strategies

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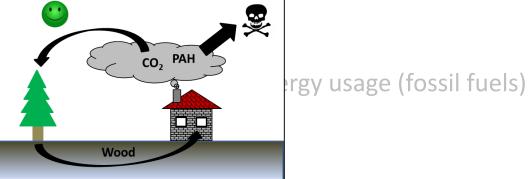
Air quality and Climate issues both arise from our energy usage (fossil fuels)



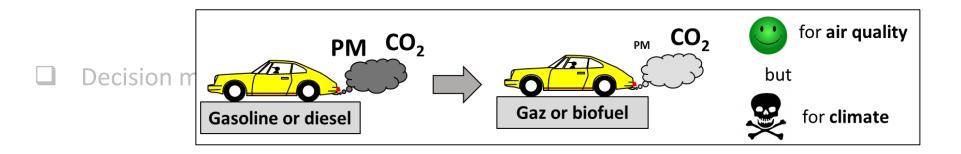
to co-benefits,

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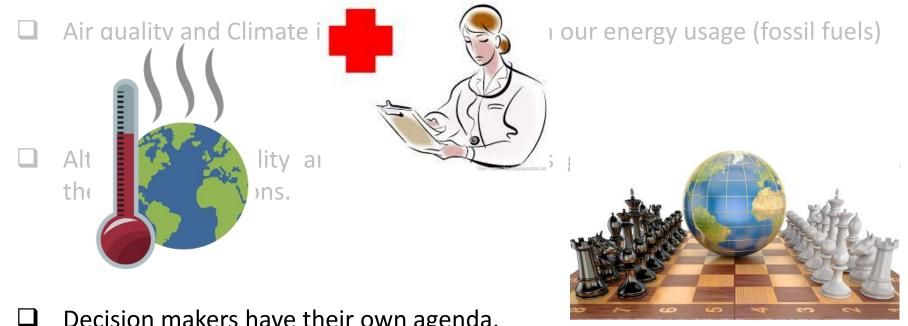
Air quality and Climate issues



Although air quality and climate measures generally lead to co-benefits, there are exceptions.

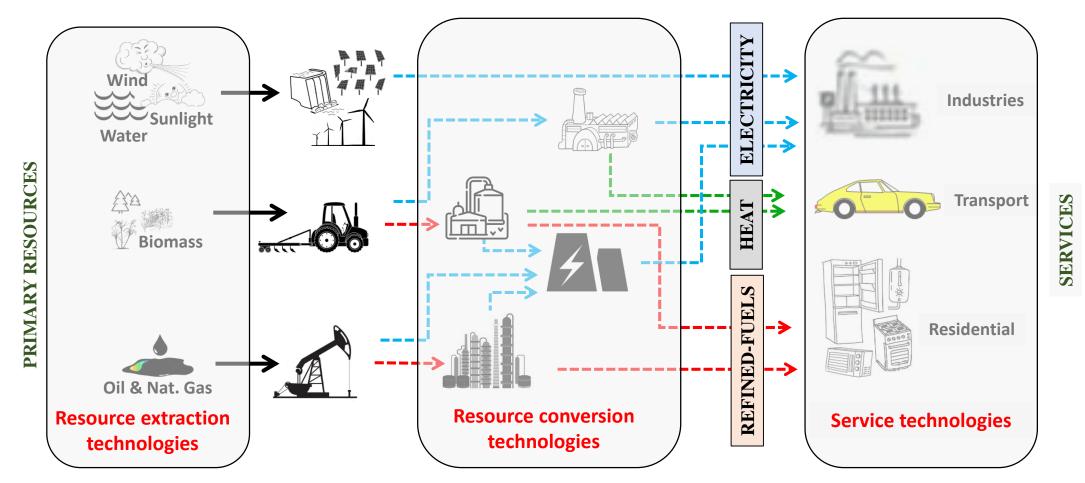


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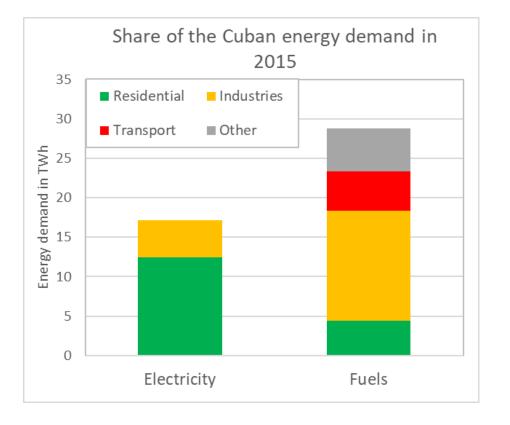


Decision makers have their own agenda.

Energy and Technologies



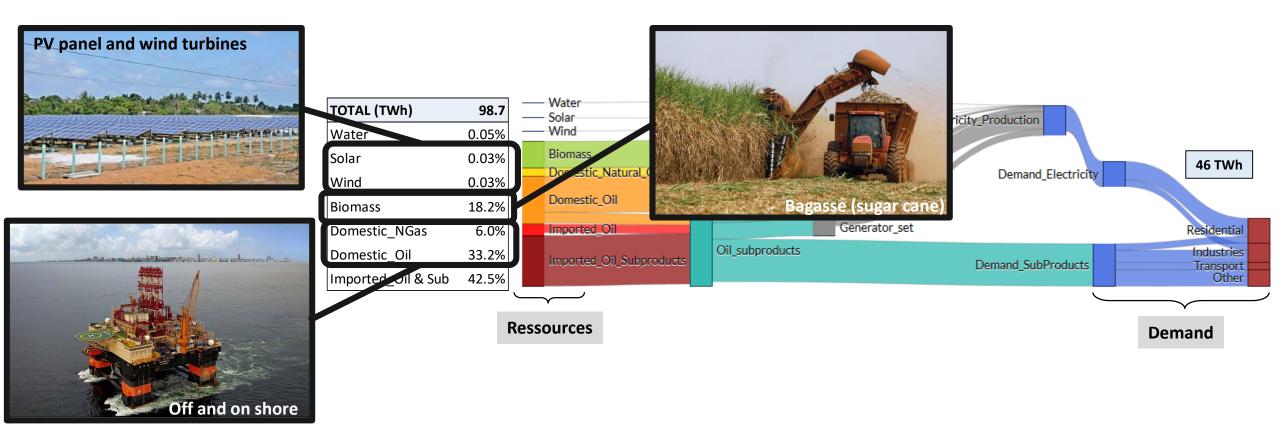
Cuban Energy Demand in 2015



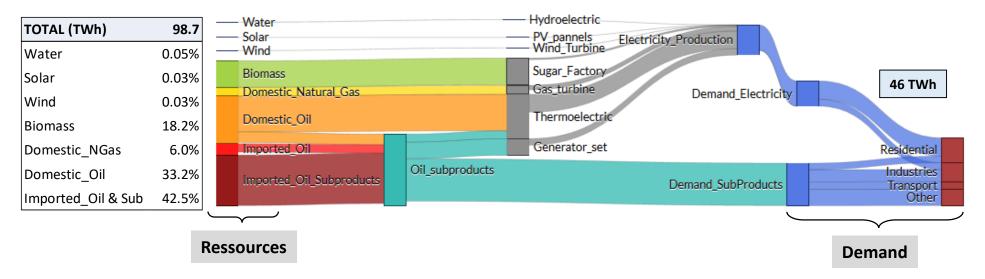
	Electricity	Fuels	Total
Residential	27%	10%	37%
Industries	10%	30%	41%
Transport	0%	11%	11%
Other	0%	12%	12%
Total	37%	63%	46 TWh

The residential demand is shared between **private buildings (65%)** and **public buildings (45%)**.

Cuban Energy Resources Used in 2015



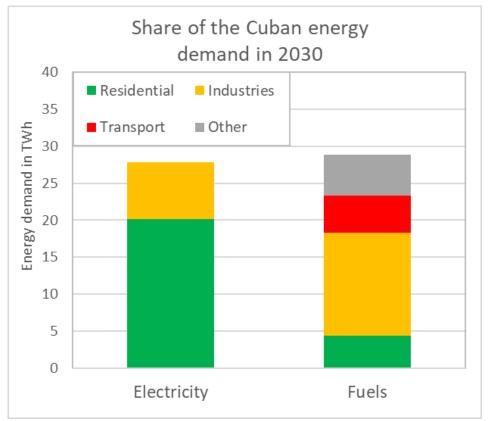
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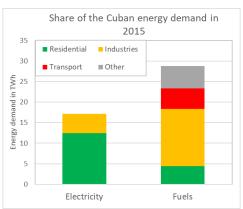
□ In 2015, energy imports were still important with a share of 42.5% (i.e. 41.9 TWh).

□ The share of wind, solar and hydro combined was 0.11%.

« Official » Demand Forecast for 2030

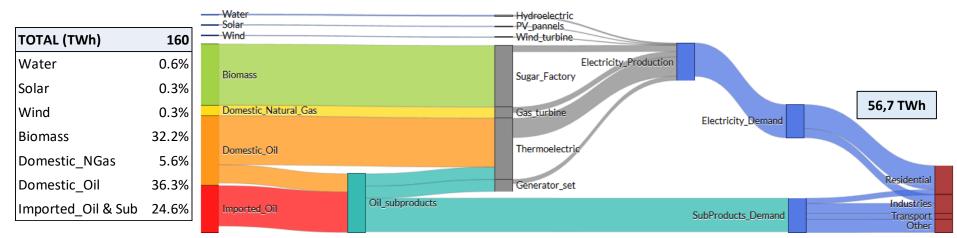


Cuban authorities estimate that the **electricity consumption will increase by 3.28% a year** until 2030. During this period fuel consumption is expected to stagnate. The total energy demand should therefore increase from 46 TWh in 2015 to 56.7 TWh by2030.



	Electricity	Fuels	Total
Residential	36%	8%	43%
Industries	13%	25%	38%
Transport	0%	9%	9%
Other	0%	10%	10%
Total	49%	51%	56,7 TWh

« Official » Strategy for 2030



Decrease energy imports from 41.9 to 39.4 TWh.

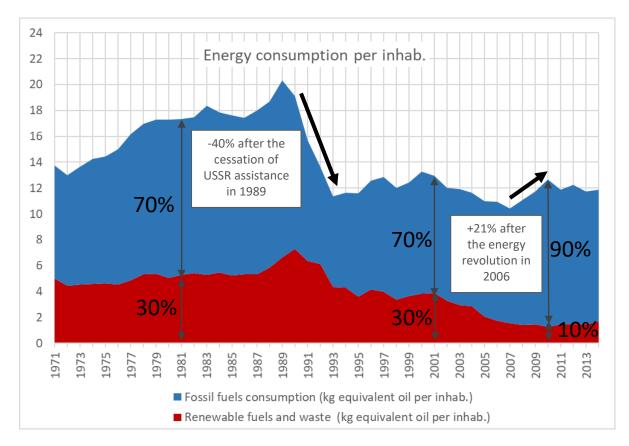
□ Increase the exploitation of fossil resources from 32.8 to 58.1 TWh for oil and from 5.9 to 9 TWh for gas.

□ Increase the production of renewable energy from 18 to 51.5 TWh for biomass and from 0.1 TWh to 2 TWh for solar, wind and hydro

The Facts behind Political Strategies...

In 2006 Cuba started officially its **"Energy Revolution"**. The goal was to increase the energy efficiency and the share of renewable energy but:

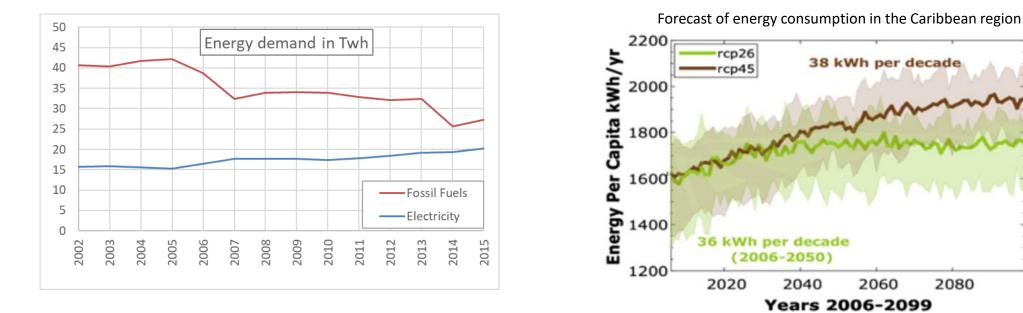
- the energy revolution is followed by a 21% increase in energy consumption until 2010,
- the share of renewable decreases from 30% in 2001 to around 10% in 2010.



Rather Optimistic Forecasts

U Cuban authorities likely **overestimated their energy production capacities**, for the biomass as well as for the oil extraction.

□ Cuban authorities **underestimated the electric demand.** The increase in 2015 was 4.8% instead of the foreseen 3.28%. The large impact of climate change foreseen over the Caribbean region that will increase the needs for air conditioning (tourism) is not accounted for.

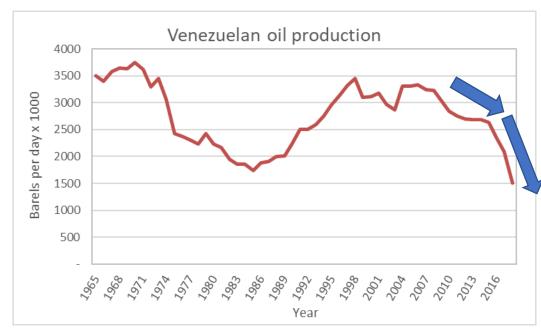


Issues Related to the Energy Supply

In 2005 Cuba concludes a treaty with Venezuela (TSP- Tratado de Comercio de los Pueblos) to **exchange in the field of medical goods, education and oil** between the two nations.

Venezuela faced unprecedented economic difficulties and has seen its oil production decline drastically. It is no longer able to provide Cuba, presumably since 2015.





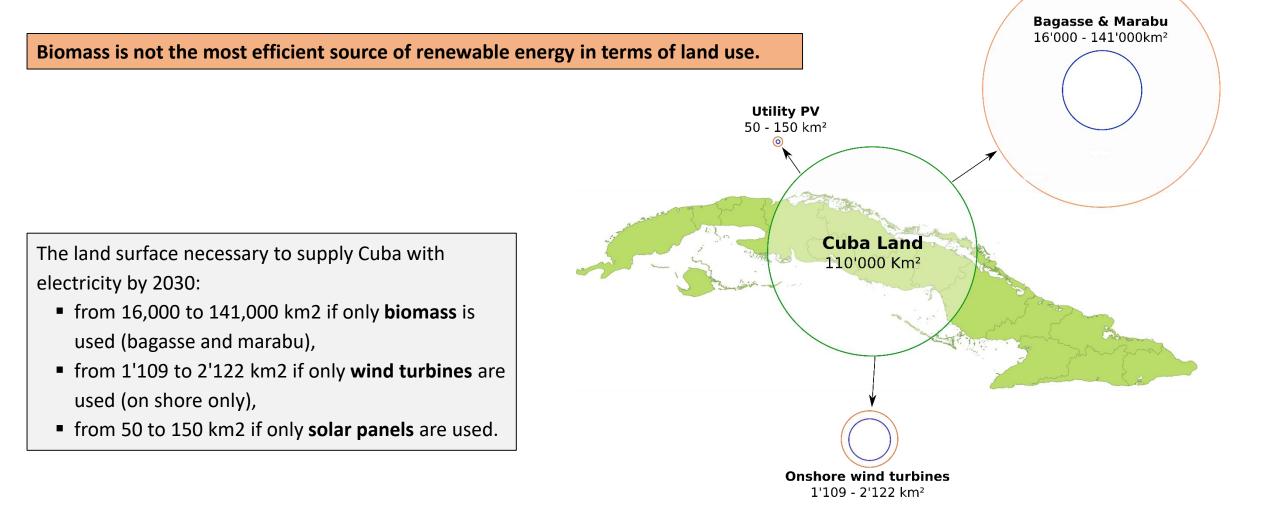


Available Resources

Available ressources	Annual potential (TWh)	Reserves (years)
Oil and gas	15.1 - 20.9	155
Biomass (Bagasse)	1.7 - 6.5	-
Biomass (Marabu)	2.5 - 26.6	-
Hydroelectricity	0.99	-
Wind	2.4 - 28.2	-
Solar	24'433	-

Solar power, if operated over the entire surface of the country, would provide more than 1,400 times the electricity needs of 2015.

The different Renewable Energies

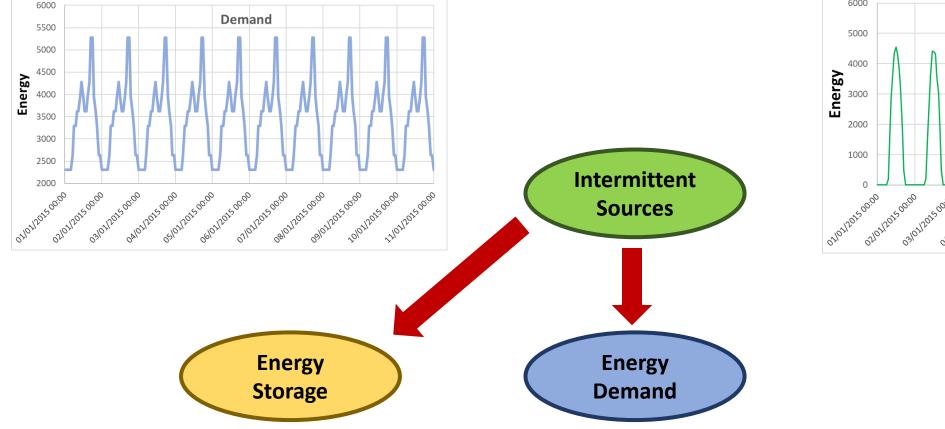


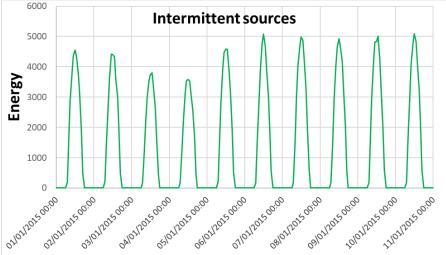
We considered alternative energy scenarios that allow for:

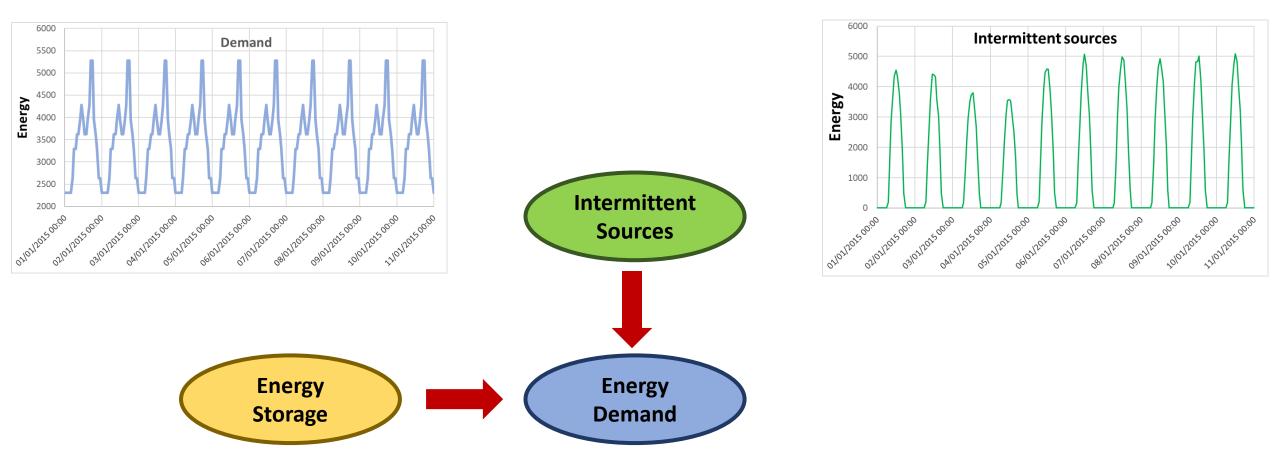
A potential increase of the energy offer,

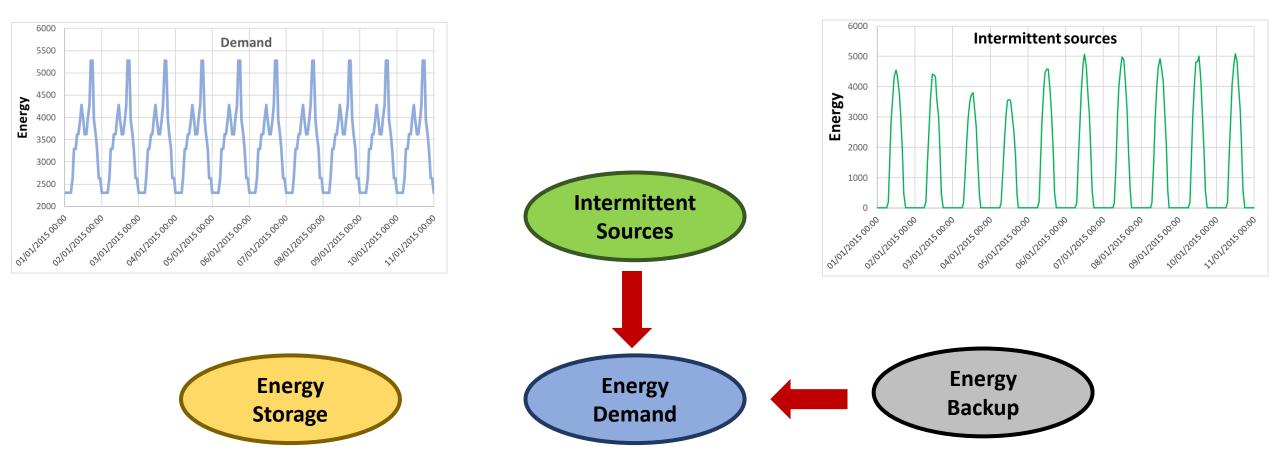
□ A reduction of the importations with an increased share of renewables.

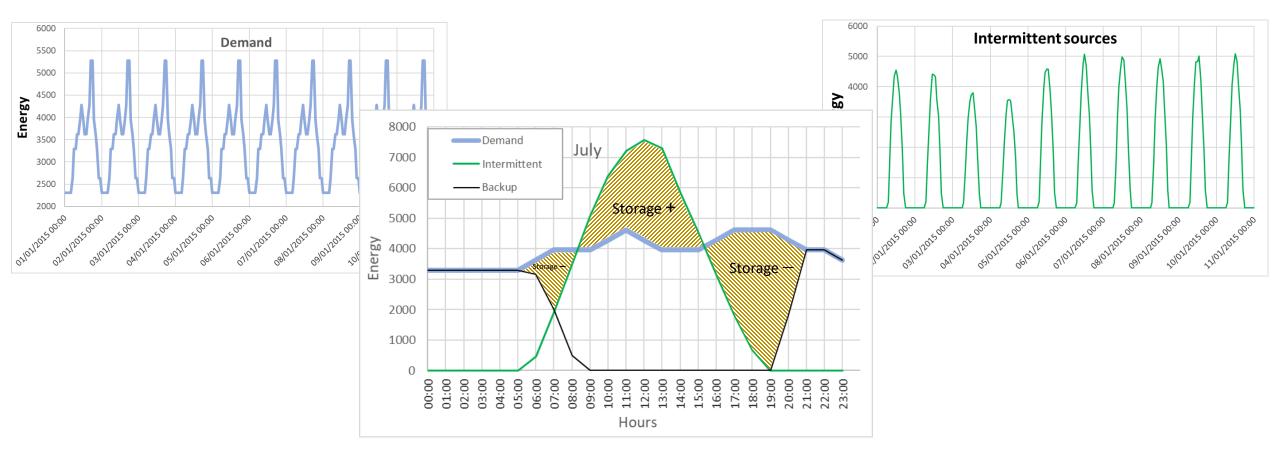
□ A reduction of the impact on the environment.





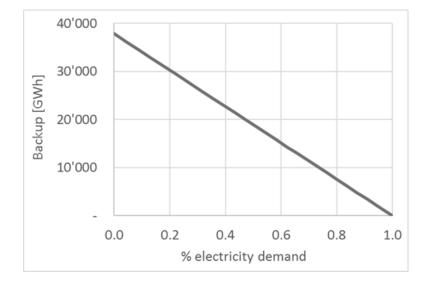


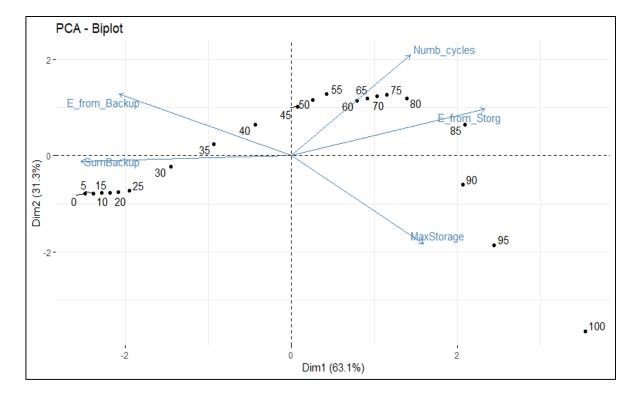


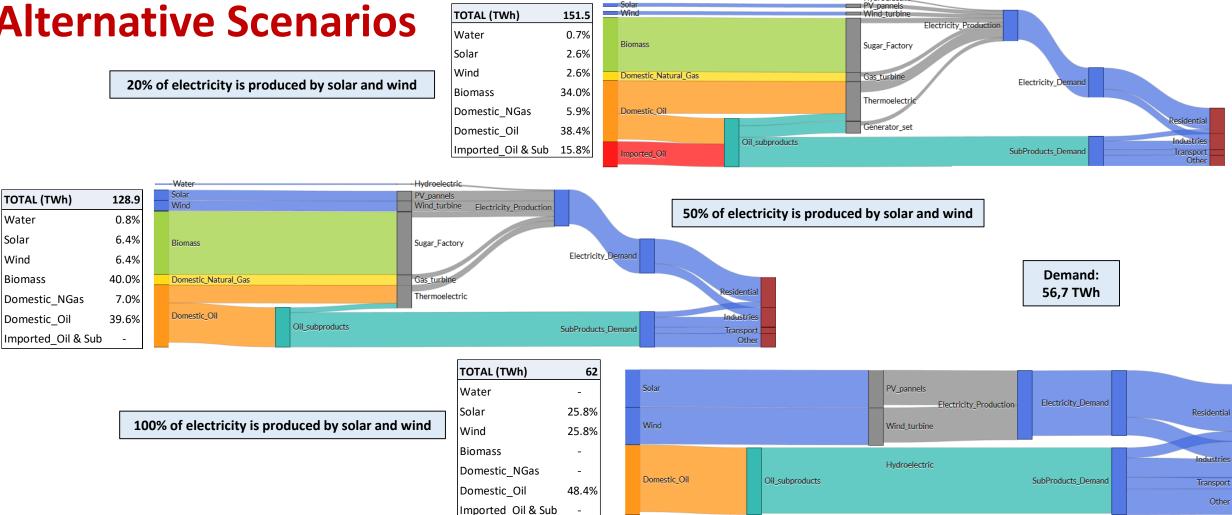


Increasing part supplied by the intermittent sources:

- below 25-35% no Storage but higher Backup
- between 25-35% and 70-80% low storage but same power from Backup
- > 100% no Backup but higher Storage







Hydroelectric

		2015	Scenarios 2030			
			Official	20%	50%	100%
	Total	98,7	160,0	151,5	128,9	62,0
Ressources (TWh)	Water	0,05	1,0	1,0	1,0	0
	Solar	0,03	0,5	4,0	8,2	16,0
	Wind	0,03	0,5	4,0	8,2	16,0
	Biomass	18,0	51,5	51,5	51,5	0
	Cuban natural gas	5,9	9,0	9,0	9,0	0
	Cuban brut oil	32,8	58,1	58,1	51,0	30,0
	Imported fuels	41,9	39,4	23,9	0	0
s	Energy coourity	1.00	0.92	0.52	0.00	0.00
Criterias	Energy security	1,00	0,83	0,52	0,00	0,00
	Sutainability of the ressources	1,00	1,16	1,00	0,68	0,35
	Air quality	1,00	1,07	1,01	0,93	0,84

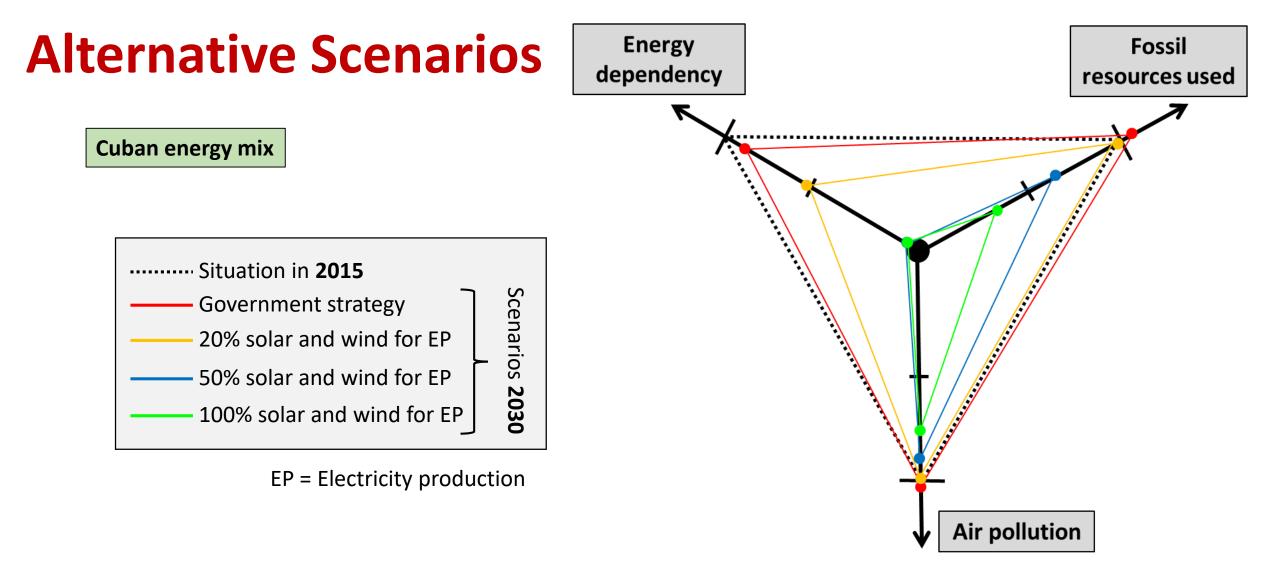
Indicators:

0 = best possible situation

1 = situation in 2015

The increased share of solar and wind energy in the Cuban energy mix would allow to:

- Improve energy efficiency. The resources needed to supply 56.7 TWh in 2030 decrease from 160 to 62 TWh.
- Reduce the country dependency. Energy imports would decrease and even disappear when at least 50% of the electricity is produced by solar and wind.
- Increase the sustainability of the resources with a higher share of renewables.
- Improve air quality. Less fuel and biomass are burned leading to reduced levels of pollution.



Conclusions

- Strategies should be integrated (from energy demand to energy resources) and address several objectives at the same time (environmental like air quality and climate but also geopolitics like energy supply).
- □ Preference to domestic resources increases economic stability...
- □ ...as will do renewable energy in the near (!) future...

