# Integrated Assessment Model for Low Carbon Growth Policy and the Importance of GHG Emissions Reductions in Cities



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# Recent Japanese climate policy and the role of science

- 2009: Hatoyama Initiative: 25% GHG reduction target
  - ⇒ Discussion on national countermeasures and on mid-/long-term roadmap
- 2011: Great East Japan Earthquake; accident at TEPCO's Fukushima Dai-ichi Nuclear Power Station
  - ⇒ Review of energy policy from scratch
- 2012: Innovative Strategy for Energy and the Environment

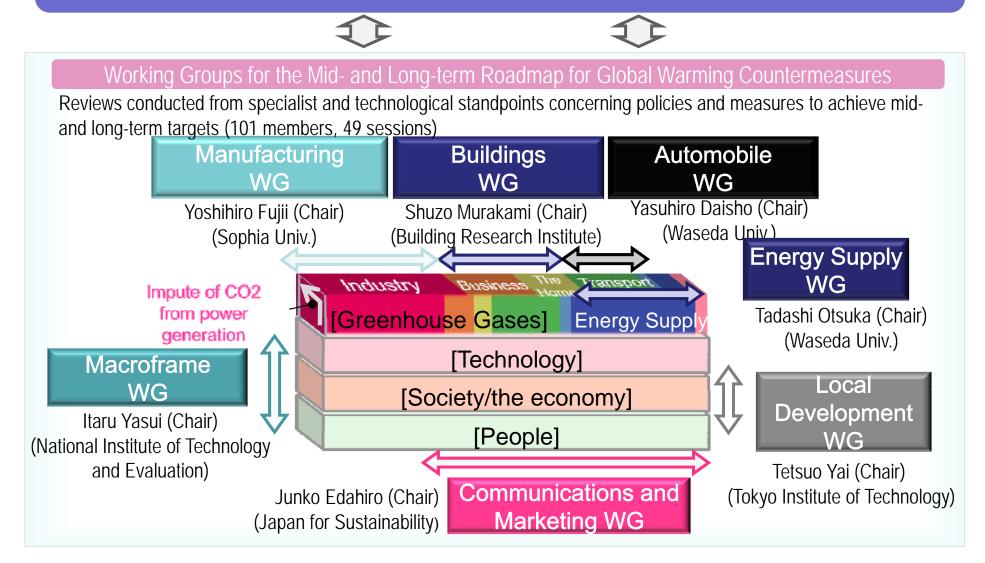


- Key player → Central Environmental Council
  8 working groups composed of more than 100 experts in total
- The Asia-Pacific Integrated Model (AIM):
  - → quantitative and comprehensive countermeasures
  - → economic impact analysis

#### Review conducted with cooperation of multiple experts & specialists

Reviews were held from April to December 2010, involving over 100 experts & specialists from a wide range of fields

Mid- and Long-term Roadmap Subcommittee, Global Environmental Committee, Central Environmental Council: Chaired by Dr. Shuzo Nishioka



### The Asia-Pacific Integrated Model (AIM)

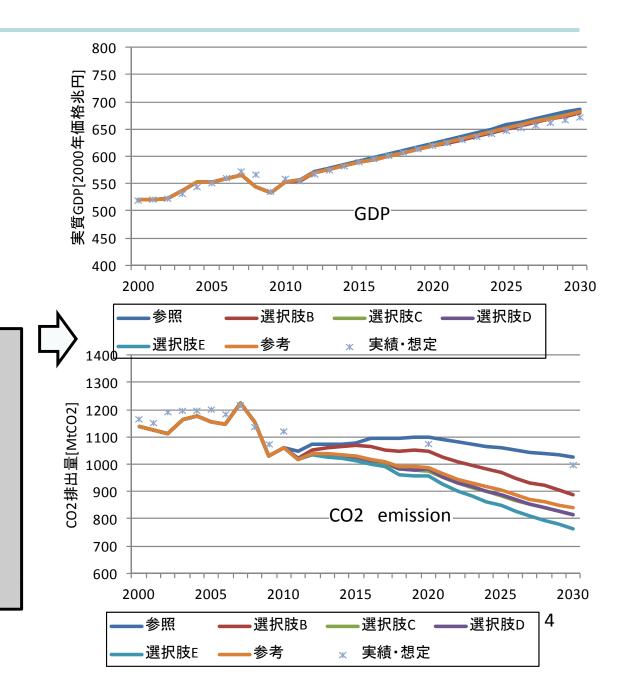
#### AIM Enduse model

- Assessment model for technologies of countermeasures against global warming in Japan
- •Searches effective combination of technologies based on certain macro economic frameworks.

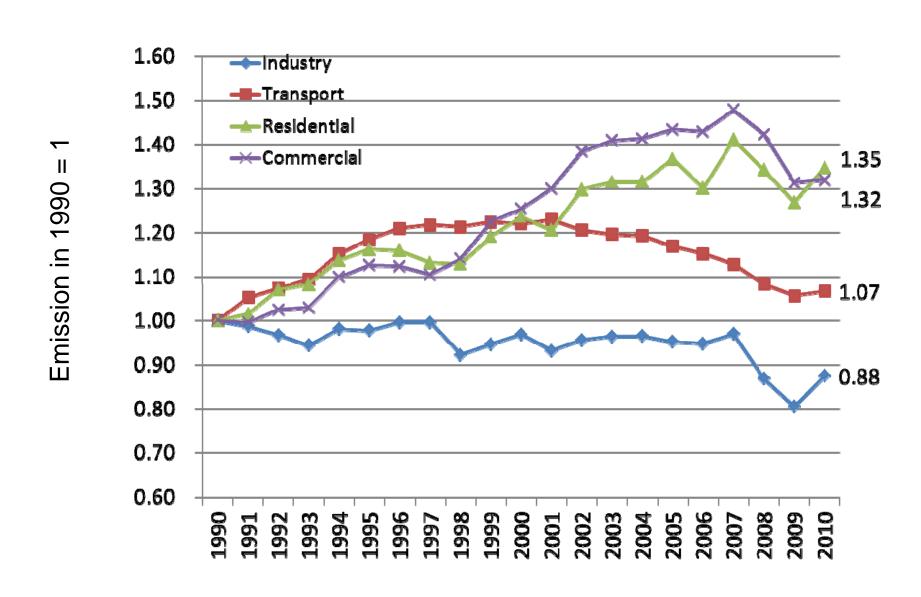
Technology information

#### AIM CGE model

- Computable GeneralEquilibrium model for Japan
- Iterative Equilibrium
- •Searches comprehensive effectiveness of a certain policy, its influence under the hypothesis of technology development.



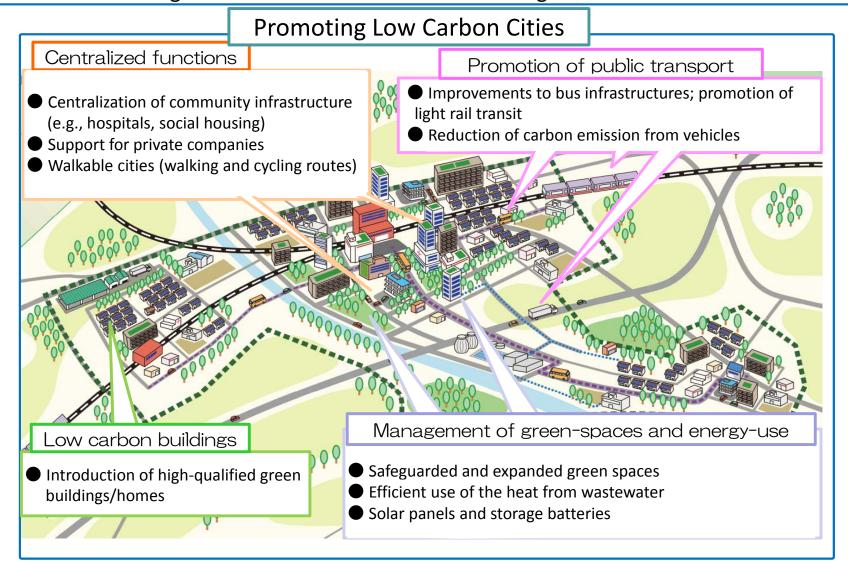
## Historical GHG emissions in Japan



### Low Carbon Planning: Act on Promotion of Low Carbon Cities

Japan has passed legislation introducing the framework for creating low carbon cities, against a background of changes within the energy balance since the Great East Japan Earthquake and rising concerns about climate change. The act provides an approach to make schemes for:

- the introduction and promotion of good practices in low carbon city creation and improved transportation systems,
- revitalization of the housing market and of local economies through investment.



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