AFTERWARD

ACCELERATING THE ENERGY TRANSITION

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•The accelerating pace of the energy transition

Insights from our latest work

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Mini grids provide remote villages with Mokoloki Town Mini Grid, Nigeria economic energy access



China is pioneering high penetration 100% •China's National Pilpt Area in•Zhangbei County, Zhangjiakou (Xinhua) renewable grids

Fairweather Apartments demonstrate

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Palava City showcases livable, affordable, resilient compact urban form

We are in a race -

On one hand, we are close to breaching climate tipping points...

Record temperatures¹



•....on the other, climate solutions are scaling more rapidly than most analysts thought possible.

Actual solar additions vs consensus outlooks



1 Global Surface Air Temperature in July

•Source: C3S, IEA, BNEF, RMI analysis

We have seen exponential change before

Industrial Revolution

Age of Oil

Information Revolution



•Source: Comin & Hobijn (2004), Historical Cross-Country Technology Adoption (HCCTA) Dataset; Our World In Data, Share of United States households using specific technologies; RMI analysis

Exponential growth is possible - and already well underway



Note: provisional 2023 numbers •Source: IEA, BNEF

Driven by the rapidly falling costs of



Battery costs and quality have been rapidly



BATTERIES

Which leads to a virtuous cycle of



EVs are growing in a near-identical S-curve



Time shifted uptake curves to align 10% mark



•Source: Systems Change Lab, IEA, RMI

Global South countries can drive their own

Share of solar in electricity generation



•Source: Ember

Four key trends will revolutionize the energy landscape

•Primary Energy Demand, EJ



Efficiency

Leveraging the invisible superpower of the energy transition

Peaking fossils

Winding down the fossil industry as efficiency and clean tech push in

Exponential growth

Accelerating the unstoppable march of clean energy technologies

A just transition Building a better tomorrow for all

The pace and reach is up to us

If we keep believing in a slow transition, it will be slow...

... but if we recognize and seize the opportunity of rapid change, we have a good fighting change against climate change



The path to 70%

The 5 top innovations we will be glad we did!

- Establishment of government accountability and execution capacity
- Converting the grid into a digital native
- Market reform for bi -directional flexibility and capacity investments
- Electrification as a public good
- Regulatory reform to more efficiently support grid edge investments

