# The Past, Present & Future of Carbon Offsets

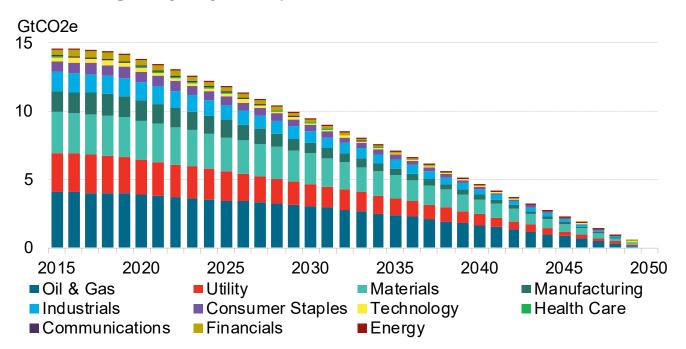


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# Net-zero targets in aggregate call for gigatons of emission reductions

**Net-zero targets by major companies** 



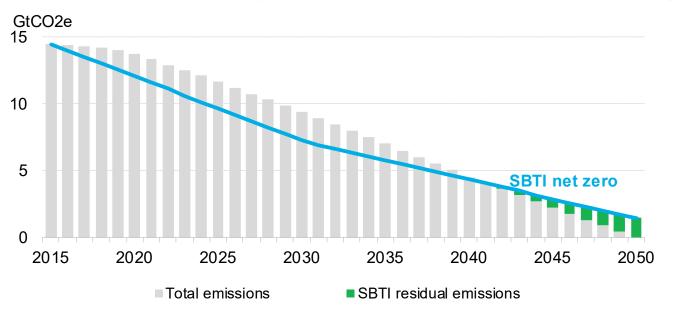
#### 14.5GtCO2e

Annual emission reductions needed for major companies to achieve net zero emissions, compared with 2015

Source: BloombergNEF, Bloomberg Terminal, company filings Note: Chart only includes emissions covered under a net-zero target.

# Even the most aggressive abatement strategies will have residual emissions

Residual emissions from major companies under the SBTI net zero pathway



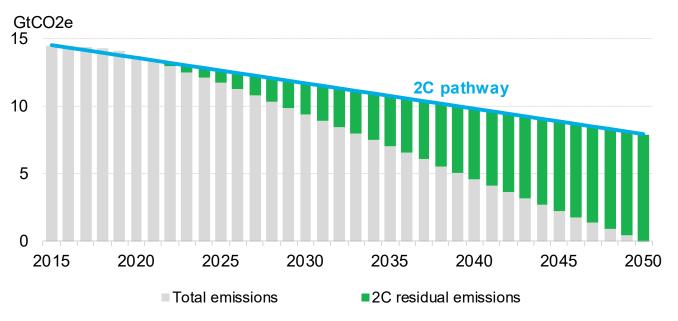
#### 1.5GtCO2e

Residual emissions from major companies after reducing gross emissions in line with SBTI net zero pathway

Source: BloombergNEF, Bloomberg Terminal, SBTI company filings Note: Chart only includes emissions covered under a net-zero target

# Even the most aggressive abatement strategies will have residual emissions

Residual emissions from major companies under a 2C pathway



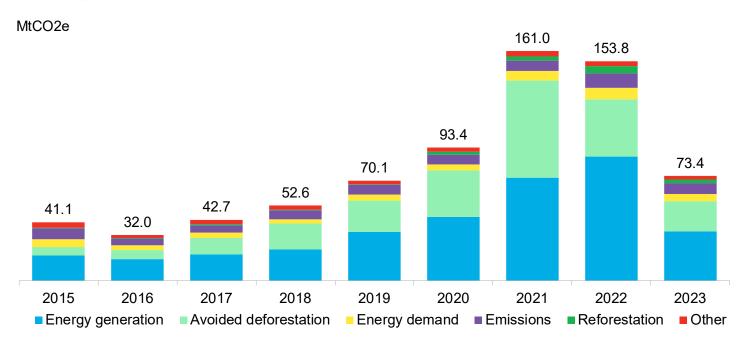
#### **7.9GtCO2e**

Residual emissions from major companies after reducing gross emissions in line with 2C scenario

Source: BloombergNEF, Bloomberg Terminal, company filings Note: Chart only includes emissions covered under a net-zero target

# This has led to an explosion in carbon offset popularity, across a range of sectors

**Voluntary carbon offset retirements** 

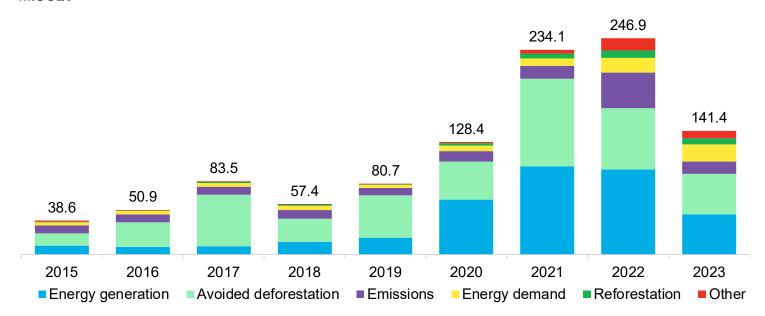


Source: BloombergNEF, Verra, Gold Standard, American Carbon Registry, Climate Action Reserve Note: Data through June.

### Developers have ramped up supply in response to growing demand

Voluntary carbon offset issuance

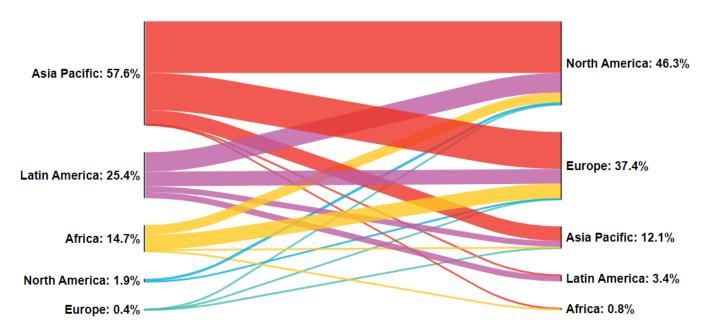
MtCO2e



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# Most supply comes from the Southern hemisphere

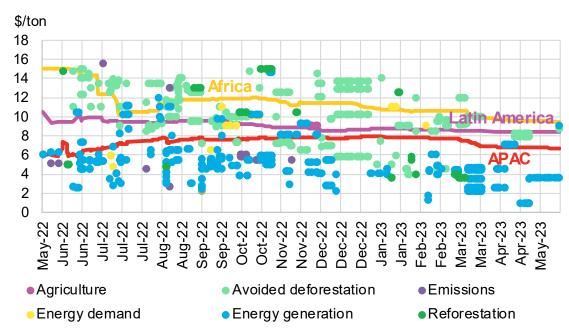
Carbon offset retirements, by geography of origin and demand



Source: BloombergNEF, Verra Note: Data based on publicly disclosed buyers.

# The price of every offset is unique and they're generally cheap

APAC carbon offset prices, by transaction, and other regional averages



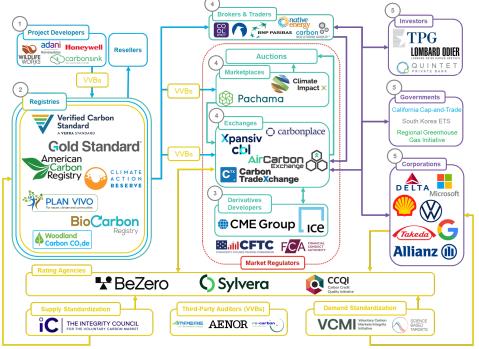
\$9.5/ton

Average brokertransacted offset prices for Africa as of May 2023

Source: BloombergNEF, Bloomberg Terminal Note: Data comes from broker-submitted transactions.

### Better infrastructure is needed to support a bigger and more liquid market...

Infrastructure and major players in the carbon offsets market



Flow of a credit

Sell-side

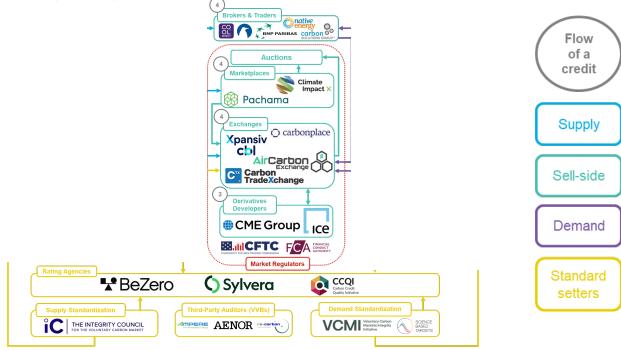
Demand

Standard setters

Source: BloombergNEF

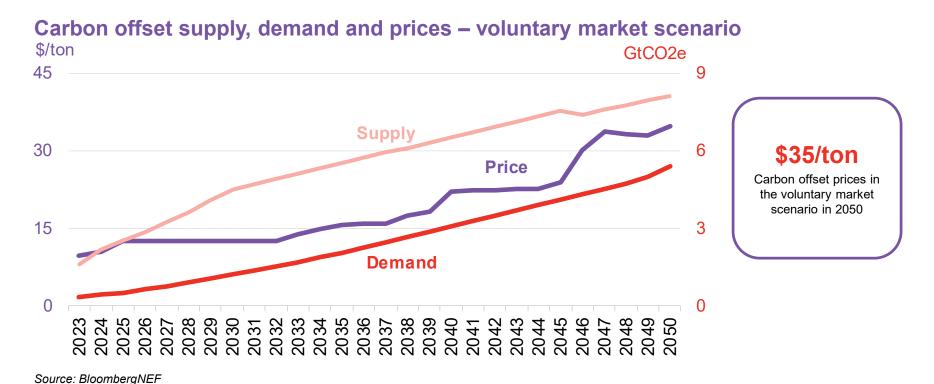
### ...and boost integrity

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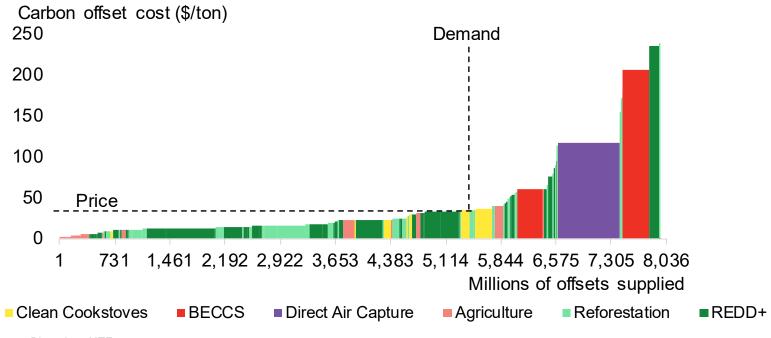
Source: BloombergNEF

#### The market desperately needs reform



# With today's structure, offset supply sources that need financing would fail to get it

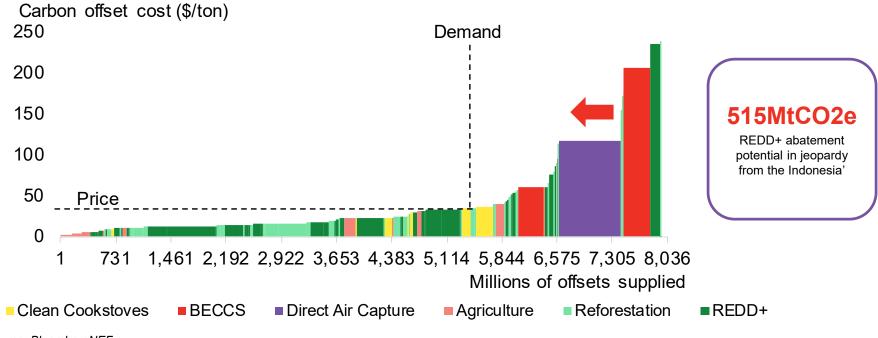
Carbon offset supply curve in 2050 – voluntary market scenario



Source: BloombergNEF

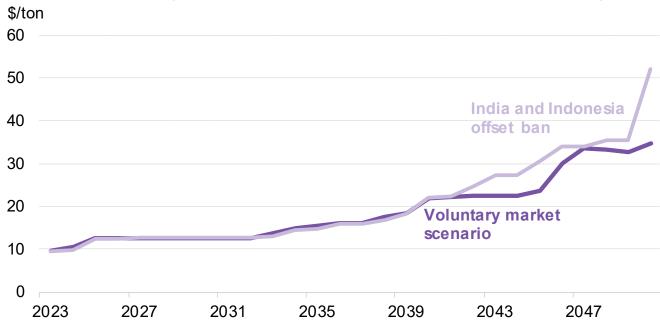
# Carbon nationalism could restrict supply

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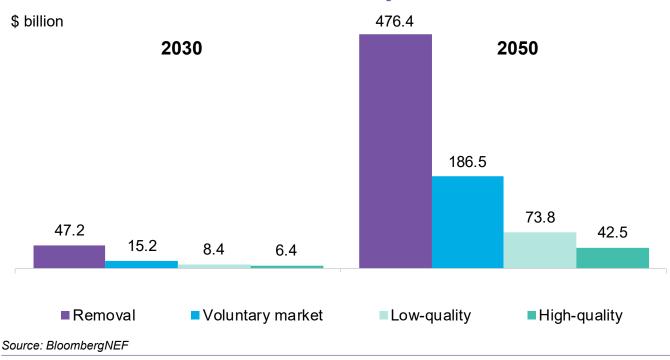
### Leading to noticeable impacts on pricing

Baseline and adjusted carbon offset prices in the voluntary market scenario



### The market could be valued at hundreds of billions if handled properly

Annual carbon offset market value, by scenario



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