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Reflections on Katowice

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Can enough **behavior be changed**
to limit global warming to 1.5
degrees?

Remember Paris Agreement: main commitment is a new target every 5 years. Actual emissions reductions are essentially voluntary.

Katowice was a forum for technical aspects of the Paris Agreement's implementation.

Parties shall provide as applicable “*how the Party’s preparation of its nationally determined contributions has been informed by the outcomes of the global stocktake*” and “*mitigation co-benefits resulting from Parties’ adaption actions*” (Section II, Annex I Articles 3 & 4).

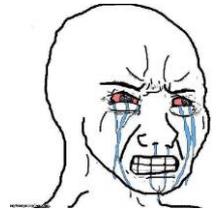
“*Each Party shall use the 2006 IPCC Guidelines*” in national inventory reports (Section X, Annex Section II, Article C, paragraph 20).

Coalition signals it will provide taxpayer support for new and existing coal plants

Morrison government specifies generation projects will need to be coal, gas, batteries or pumped hydro to be eligible for underwriting



Donald Trump rejects his own Government's report on climate change



Katowice is crucial for the implementation of the Paris Agreement.

But Katowice was not a forum for the broader changes that are necessary.

More is needed to address recalcitrant climate actors.

Can ambition ratchet up to limit
global warming to under 1.5
degrees?

Future targets will be '*progressions*' that reflect '*highest possible ambition*' (Paris Agreement Article 4, paragraph 3).

Katowice provides little further guidance on this.

Countries just need to say how they think their target is '*ambitious*' (Section II, Annex I, Article 6).

Talanoa Dialogue mandate “*to take stock of collective efforts in relation to progress towards the long-term goal....and to inform the preparation of nationally determined contributions*” (Decision 1/CP.21, paragraph 20).

Parties are just “*invited to consider*” outcomes of the Talanoa Dialogue (Decision 1/CP.24, paragraph 37).

Katowice was not a forum for ambition.

Ambition is not about text. Ambition is about political will.

Political will to limit warming to 1.5 degrees is lacking.



What comes next?



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“From now on my five priorities will be ambition, ambition, ambition, ambition, and ambition.” – Antonio Guterres

The guidelines are here.

Time for action.

Sydney and Melbourne vow to ditch coal power

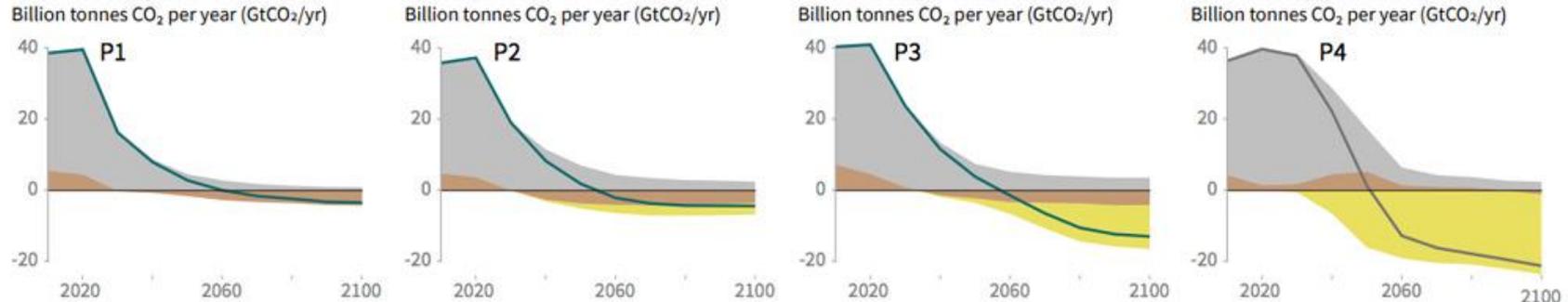
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Australian cities joined global alliance to end coal-fired power, while the federal government proposes using taxpayer cash to underwrite new plants

It's time to talk removal.

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