Hot Topics - Cross-scale linkages

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- Sorry for some slides in Portuguese.
- They were drawn directly from official reports and publications prepared for (or by) subnational governments (and in one case a private association).
- Of course, I will do my best to translate them





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In "ancient times", we developed Message versions for Brazilian State Energy Plans. Advantages (+): detailing of industrial processes, demography, land use. Challenges (-): data availability, consistency, leakage, and for continental-sized countries = computational effort/feasibility

In more recent studies, the emphasis has shifted from energy security (accessibility and affordability) to including decarbonization (and other SDGs).

In this case, and because we already have a set of IAMs (Global and National), we move to a "chain approach".

However, we had to downscale country regions to the state/subnational and even city levels => Use of input-output models with disaggregated information on economic activity and the development of sector-specific modeling (industrial processes, including refining; transport modeling, land use...)



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Why Brazil and the Northeast before **Pernambuco**?



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Long-term pathways for Brazil and the Amazon under the global and national climate context



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2040

2045

2050



Figure 8: GHG emissions in the North region detailed by gas

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A decreasing energy efficiency potential

Technological inflexibility

Obstacles to alternative fuels

Strong interactions with the energy system

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IMAGE

No significant fuel shifts in 2030, but what will happen in 2050 must be prepared decades before this year!

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The transiente phase: We have to meet the demand for premium fuels (increasingly premium) that has recovered from Covid (as have we, I hope), at least until 2030, in addition to dealing with the Russia-Ukraine war(affects oil, distillates and natural gas), the closure of refineries (around 4 mbpd), the delay of greenfield and brownfield projects, and the concern with the risk of stranded assets! Countries have also provided tax breaks for fossil fuel production and diesel (and sometimes gasoline) consumption to curb inflation and restore growth.

"When we are alive, it is death that is not present; on the contrary, when death is present, we are the ones who are not " (Epicurus)

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Stranded crude oil resources and just transition: Why do crude oil quality, climate ambitions and land-use emissions matter

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"... in <u>the full-century scenario</u> Africa and Latin America produce more oil before 2050... ... in <u>the peak budget scenario</u>, Africa and Latin America gain importance as remaining oil producers in 2100, which only apparently may seem good, as this maintains these regions as suppliers of a primary energy that no longer represents the standard energy of the global system, while roughly delays their revenues for the end of the century." Besides...

While some existing refineries close reducing the total world crude oil throughput, greenfield refineries are still needed, mostly focused on hydrocrackers for medium distillates and/or petrochemical naphtha

Refinery capacities (Mbpd) per region in the full-century scenario

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O SETOR DE ÓLEO E GÁS BRASILEIRO EM UM CONTEXTO DE EMISSÕES LÍQUIDAS NULAS (NET ZERO EMISSIONS)

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PO in FCC units

Elaborada pelo Laboratório Cenergia/PPE/COPPE/UFRJ

| Refinery | Cellulosic biomass demand (PJ/year) | Potential in 2050 (PJ/year) | |
|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---------------------|
| | | Radius of 50 km | Radius of 100 km |
| REPLAN (SP) | 24.7 | 18.5 | 92.4 |
| Refinaria de <u>Mataripe</u> (BA) | 30.9 | 13.1 | 62.8 |
| REVAP (SP) | 21.6 | 7.6 | 27.4 |
| REDUC (RJ) | 12.4 | 2.1 | 16.7 |
| REPAR (PR) | 16.2 | 25.1 | 63,1 |
| REFAP (RS) | 18.4 | 14.7 | 42.2 |
| RPBC (SP) | 15.4 | 17.7 | 30,9 |
| REGAP (MG) | 12.2 | 6.8 | 33.5 |
| RNEST (PE) | - | 4.0 | 23.4 |
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REPAR, **REFAP** and **REGAP** already have units authorized to operate with SVO. In our study of Pernambuco, we have also

evaluated UCOs and biomethane (in HGU) in RNEST. In REFAP we have studied e-H₂ + oxyfuel FCC w/CCU (paper published).

BLUES has soft links with ORION (Least-cost refinery model) and BLOEM.

Coprocessing and retrofit have been an usual decision for the transition phase.

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"all models are wrong but some are usefull" G. Box

"most people use statistics like a drunk man uses a lamppost; more for support than for illumination" A. Lang

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Communicate!

CRESCIMENTO ECONÔMICO E BEM-ESTAR COM A DESCARBONIZAÇÃO

6% maior

O PIB acumulado no cenário de descarbonização

R\$20 bilhões a mais

A projeção do PIB de PE em 2050 no cenário de descarbonização

R\$30 bilhões a mais

O consumo das famílias de PE em 2050 no cenário da descarbonização

Decision has multiple Dimensions

Thank you!

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