South African energy model: a system dynamics approach

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Introduction

• South Africa dual challenge



- Alternative energy technologies in South Africa
- Developing alternative energy not simple
- T21 provides framework for analysis



Objectives

Project goals

• Understanding SA energy issues and the supporting energy policy

Research questions

- What are the energy demand patterns, supply constrains and opportunities
- How the current policy proposals affect these patterns
- Provide an initial step of developing South Africa T21 model, focusing on the energy surfuce through science

SA energy modules of T21 model

- National energy demand & supply
- Causal loop diagram



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Scenario development

Scenario	Energy efficiency (EE)	Yearly price change (after 2011)	Nuclear expansion
Baseline	1% for the period 2005-2030	3%	Ν
Nuclear expansion	1% for the period 2005-2030	3%	Y
Energy efficiency1	2% for the period 2005-2030	2%	Ν
Energy efficiency2	1.5% for the period 2005-2015	2.5%	N



Baseline results: Electricity



Baseline results: Coal





Baseline results: Gas





Baseline results: Oil







- Nuclear electricity production share 5% 11.5%
- Coal electricity production share 93.7% 85%



















Discussion and Conclusions

<u>Findings</u>

- Stringent energy efficiency measure best for SA <u>Model</u>
- Energy modules of SA T21 framework
- Validation using historical data and statistics
- Limitations: limited data availability

Future research

 Expand the model to incorporate cross sectoral impacts



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