#### **GE Energy**

# Food, Bev & Ag: Energy - Water - Food

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# GE... What do you think of?





### **GE Energy**

#### 25% of GE revenue

#### Global operations and over 100,000 employees



#### Oil & Gas

- Drilling & Surface
- Global Services
- Measurement & Control
- PII Pipeline Solutions
- Subsea Systems
- Turbomachinery



#### **Power & Water**

- Aeroderivative Gas Engines
- Gas Engines
- Nuclear Energy
- Power Generation Services
- Renewable Energy
- Thermal Products
- Water & Process Technologies



#### **Energy Management**

- Digital Energy
- Industrial Solutions
- Converteam



# Diverse energy & water solutions

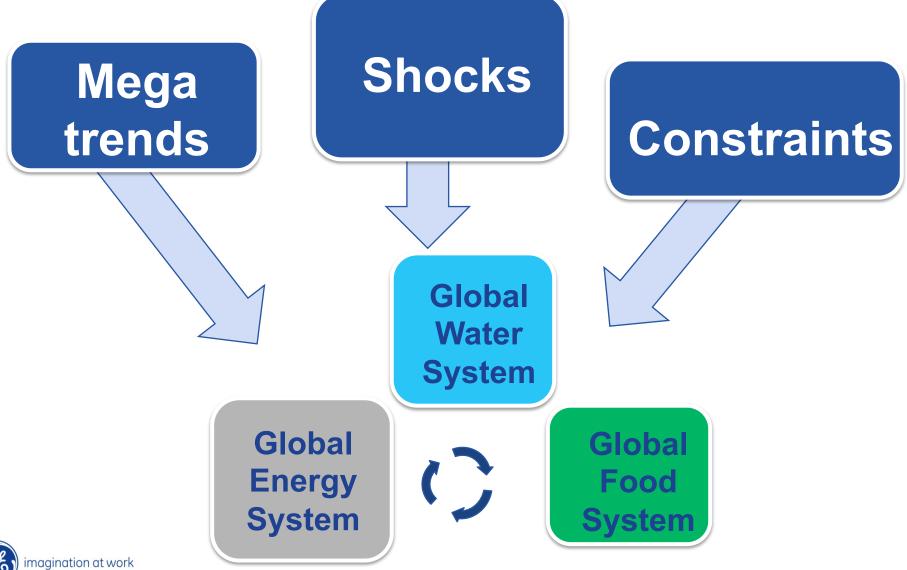






# Strategic Landscape

## Framing the drivers and interactions



### Megatrends and their consequences

Megatrends (examples)

Demographic Change

Growth of Unconventional Fuels

Many others...

Consequences

Regional shift of economic gravity to Asia

**Increasing demand for electricity and transport fuels** 

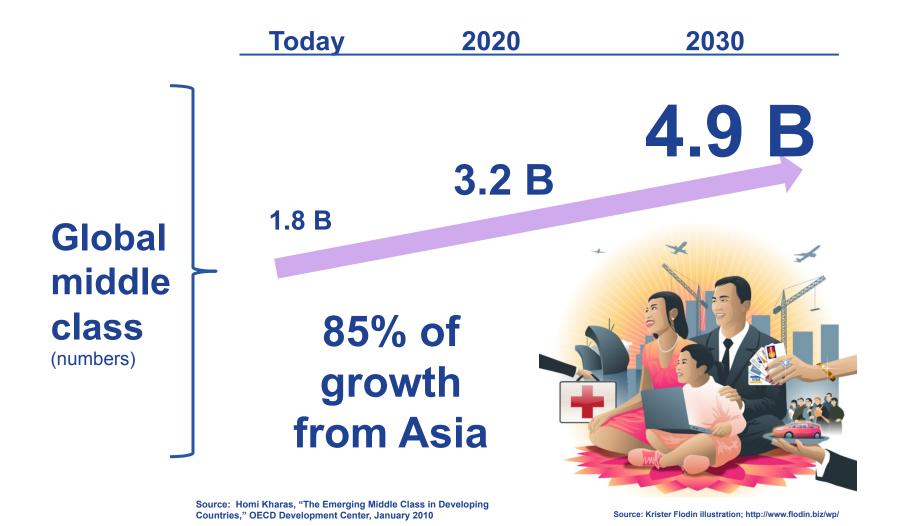
**Growing need for environmental protection** 

Growing demand for food with population and income growth

Growing supply of gas in N. America and other regions



### Expanding global middle class





### Shocks and their consequences

Shocks (examples) Financial crisis **Natural disasters** Many others... Disruption to global financial markets; reduce GDP

Market volatility and impact on risk perception

Disruption to critical infrastructure

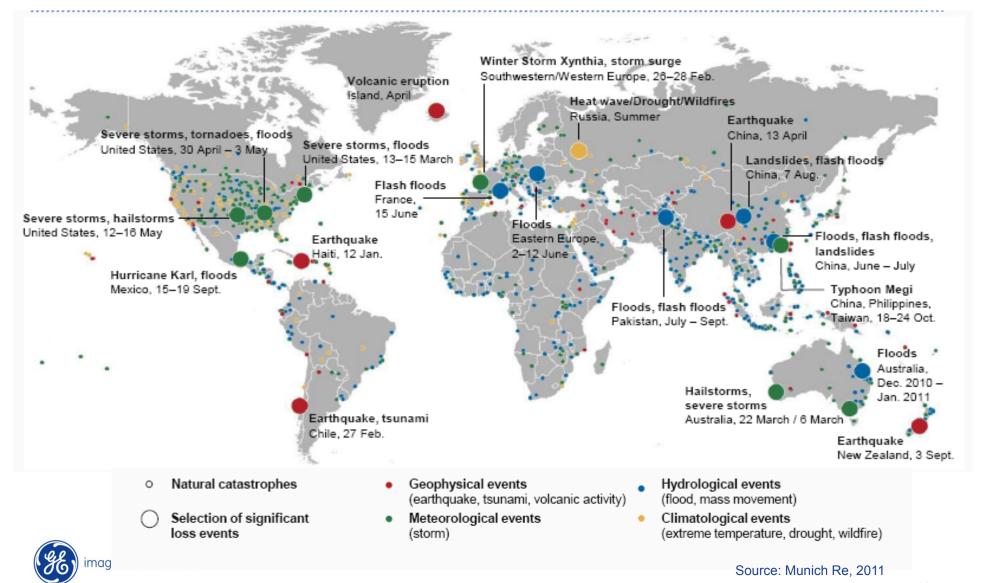
Growing cost of rebuilding infrastructure

Damage to agricultural resources

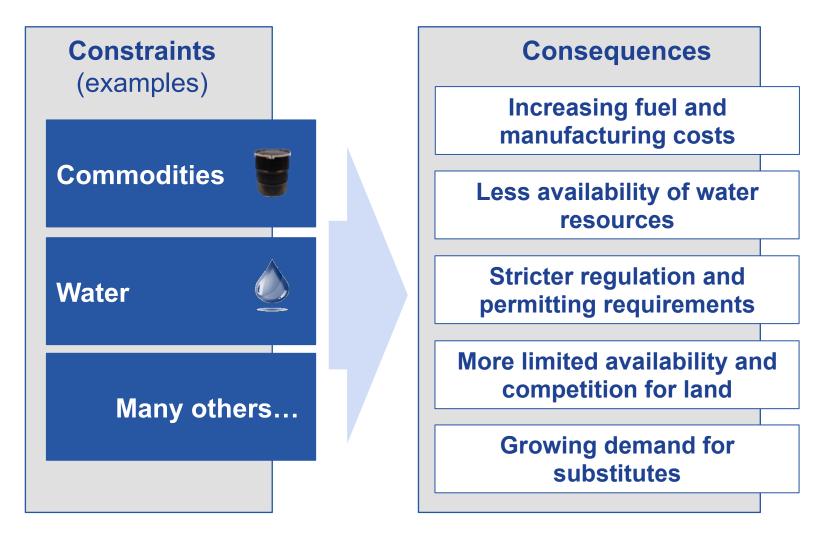


### Natural Catastrophes

Over 960 events in 2010



### Constraints and their consequences

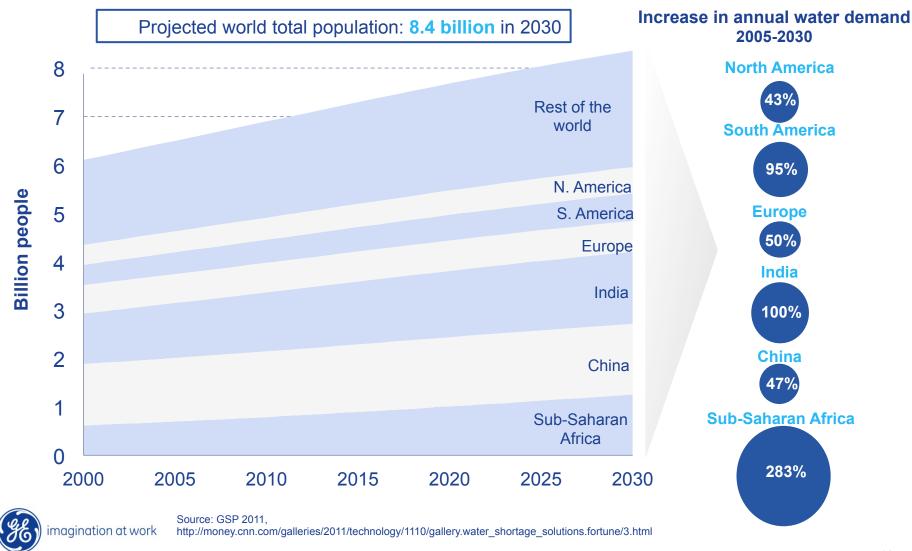




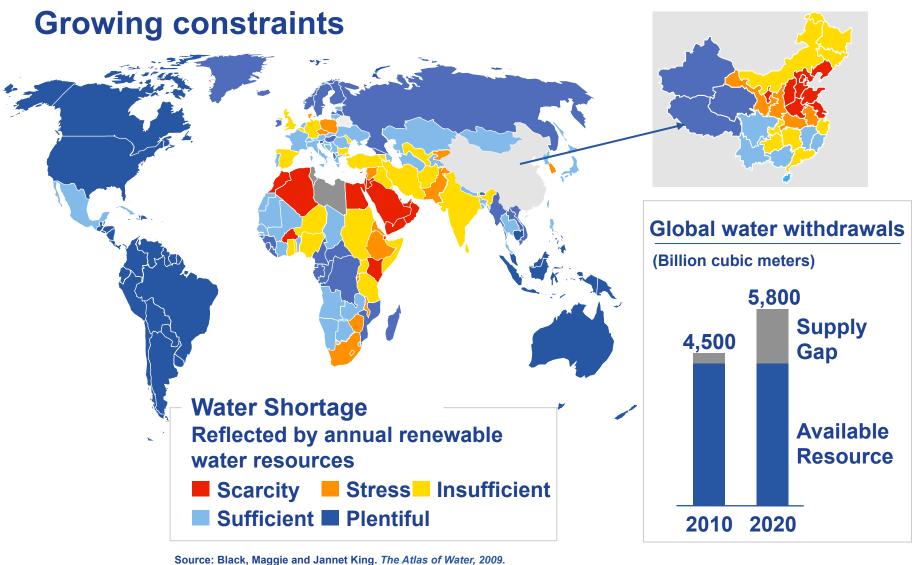
#### Population growth

#### Pressure increasing on water resources





#### Future water outlook

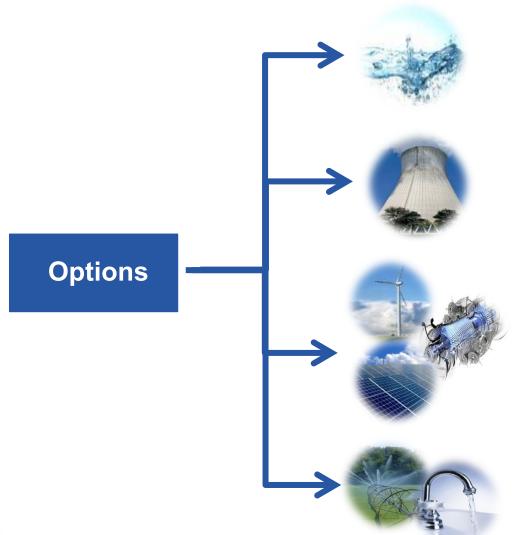




Source: 2030 Water Resources Group, 2009

#### **Energy-Water Nexus**

**Constraints force four potential paths** 



Shift to alternate water source... saline or brackish water

Apply water reduction technologies... closed-loop cooling towers and dry air- cooling

Shift to zero water use technologies... wind, solar PV, gas turbines

Shift resources away from other sectors... agriculture, domestic



#### **Energy-Food Nexus**

**Driving sustainability** 

**Energy required to make** food... 10 units of fossil energy to produce one unit of food energy

**Energy directed to food** processes...

10% of US consumption, ~5% of Global energy consumption

1% **Food Processing** and Manufacturing

2% **Food Transportation** 

> 2% Agriculture

5% Packaging, Preparation Refrigeration, Handling Sales and Services







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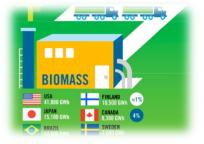
Where we can improve efficiencies

# Areas to reduce energy needs...

- √Ag Waste to Power
- **✓ Drip Irrigation**
- ✓ No-Till Farming
- ✓ Laser-Leveling Fields
- **✓ GPS Driven Machinery**
- ✓ Reducing Spoiled & Wasted Food



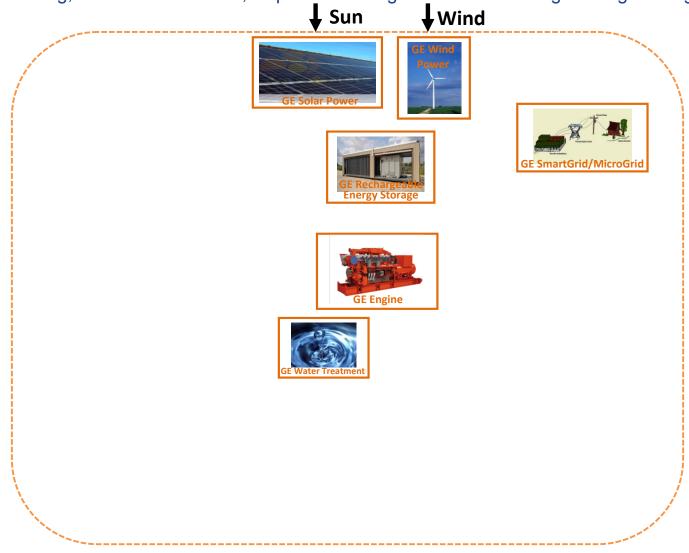






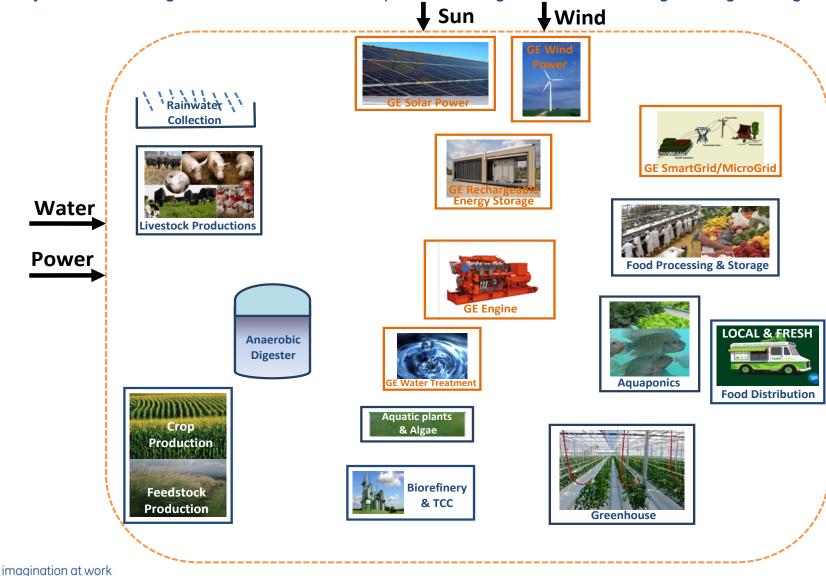
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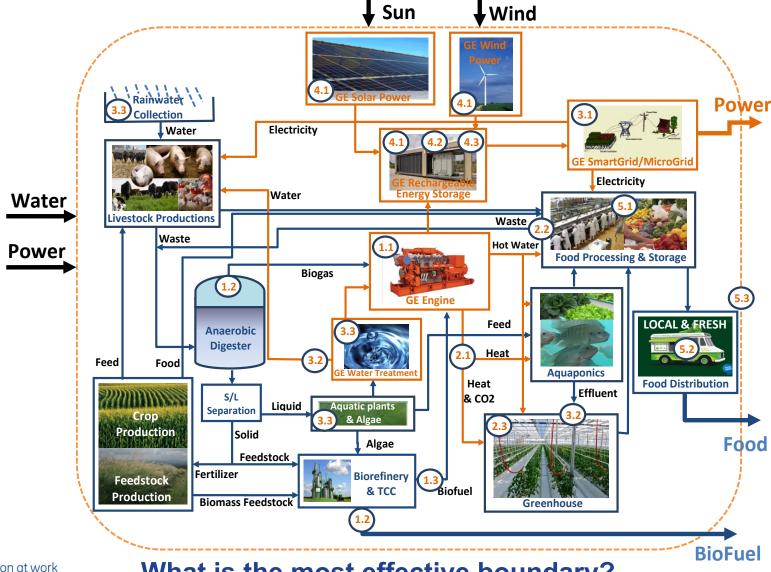
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What is the most effective boundary?

## Summary

Megatrends, shocks and constraints will shape the future interaction between the global energy, water and food systems

How will this interaction play out in the coming decade?

- greater crisis, conflict; or
- greater application of technology and smart policy

Where are our greatest gaps in understanding these interactions?

Where can collaborative research be applied most effectively to advance sustainable global water, energy and food systems?

