STRENGTHENING THE GOVERNANCE MECHANISM: ACHIEVING THE 2030 CLIMATE TARGETS AND CLOSING THE GAP OF THE EU GREEN DEAL



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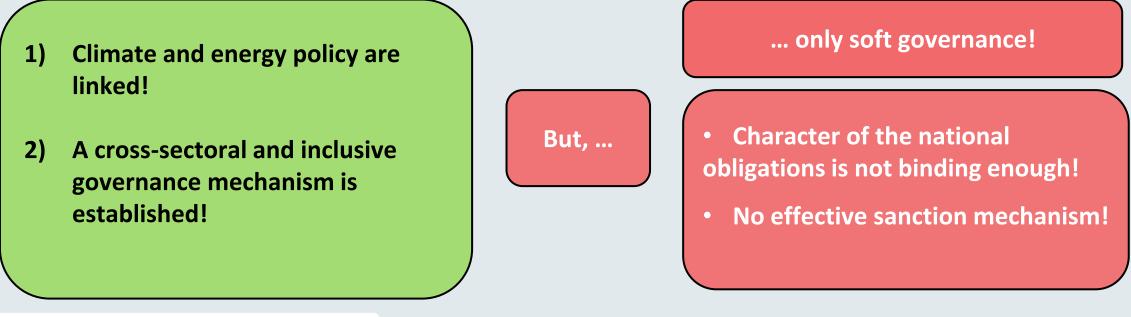
- I. Crucial aspects of the current legal framework for the European energy and climate governance
 - 1. *"The governance system established in the Governance-Regulation is not effective enough!"*
 - 2. "The urgently needed structural reforms of the Governance-Mechanism are still pending and not in sight."
 - 3. "The 'umbrella'-feature of the Governance-Mechanism is being torn apart!"
- II. More detailed look



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2018 (TILL 2022): ALMOST 4 YEARS OF GOVERNANCE-REGULATION: LESSONS LEARNED

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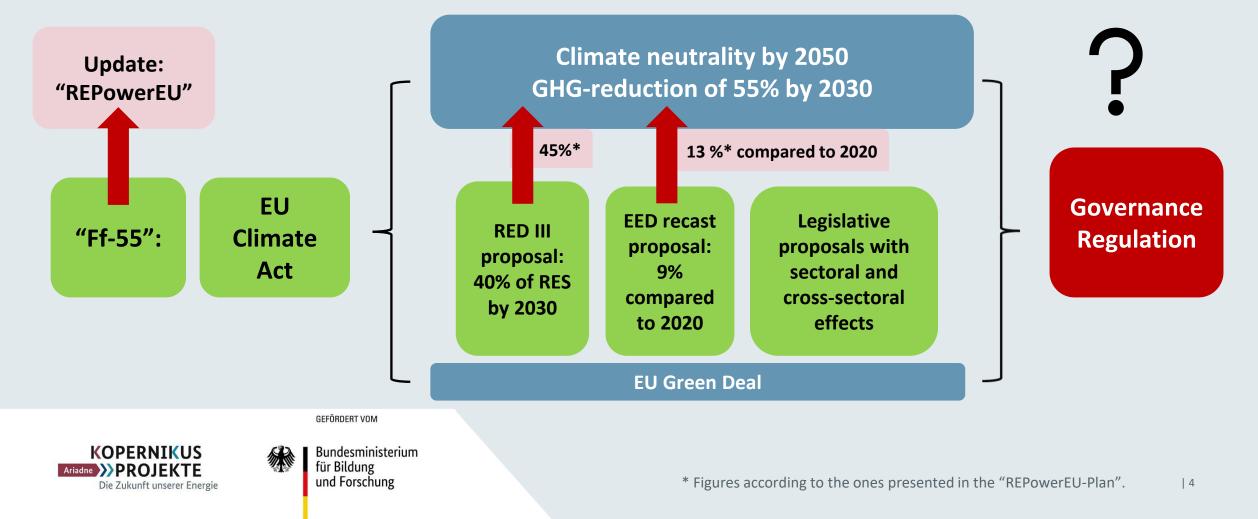
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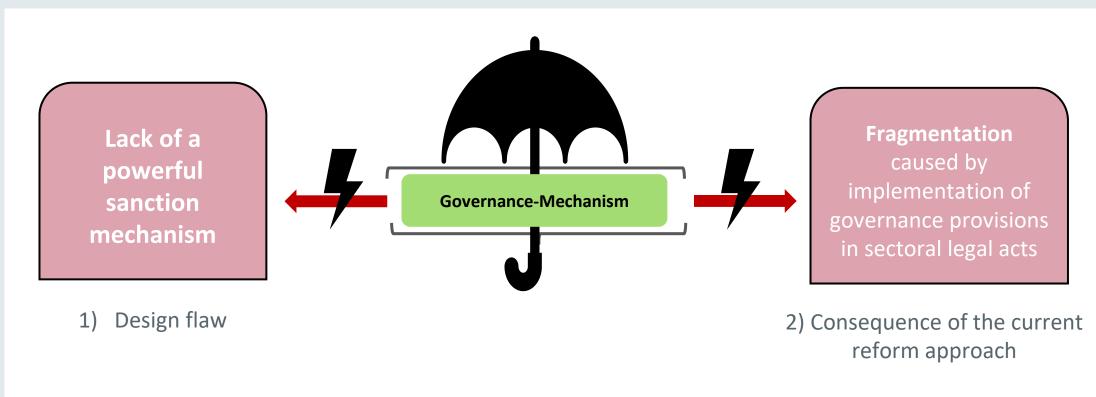
2021: THE EU CLIMATE ACT AND "FIT FOR 55"-PACKAGE

"THE BADLY NEEDED STRUCTURAL REFORMS ARE STILL MISSING AND ARE NOT IN SIGHT EITHER!"



2021/2022: "FIT FOR 55"-PACKAGE AND "REPOWEREU-PLAN"

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* Clarifying and introducing sanctions in the case of ambition and delivery gaps

* Option 2: Strengthening the Governance-Mechanism through coherence

* Providing more standardisation and sharpening the governance requirements for the achievement of the overall sectoral targets

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STRONGER COHERENCE BETWEEN SECTORAL TARGETS NEEDED, E.G. RENEWABLE ENERGIES AND ENERGY EFFICIENCY

	Renewable Energies in Governance Regulation	Energy Efficiency in COM proposal recast of EED	
Determination of national contributions to reach new 2030 EU targets ("indicative formula with objective criteria")	Member States " may consider the formula in Annex II" to Gov. Reg. (Art. 3 para. 2 RED II)	Member States " shall use the formula defined in Annex I of the EED" (Art. 4 para. 2)	
National indicative trajectories	Yes, with reference points in 2022, 2025 and 2027 (needed for assessment of progress)	Yes, but no reference points set (at least for 2027 necessary for assessment of progress)	
EU indicative trajectory	Yes, national indicative trajectories add up to EU reference points and trajectory	No EU indicative trajectory	





HOW TO REACH THE 2030 RENEWABLES EU TARGET? CLEAR PATH NEEDED!

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RENEWABLE 2030 SECTORAL TARGETS: STANDARDISATION AND DETERMINATION

Type of sectoral sub- targets in RED III	Industry	Hydrogen in industry	Heating and cooling	District heating and cooling	Buildings	Transport
Binding MS target		Fixed share	Annual increase			Fixed share
Indicative MS target	Annual increase			Annual increase		
Indicative EU target with national contributions					Fixed share	

Use the Governance-Toolbox!

- * Use indicative formulas with objective criteria (e.g. 49 % target for renewables in buildings)
- * Introduce national trajectories with reference points, where no annual increase is foreseen (e.g. hydrogen in industry)
- * Add up the national trajectories to EU trajectories where useful (e.g. 49 % target for renewables in buildings)





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