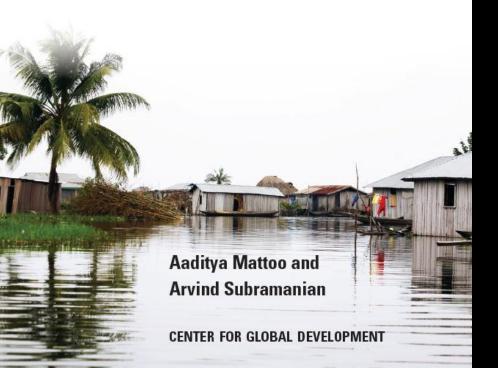


A New Approach to Cooperation on Climate Change



# From Cutting Emissions to Generating Technology

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# Finance and Climate Change: Outdated Premises

International finance is important

- Finance is to compensate countries for emissions reductions
  - Finance as North-South Flow

Finance is about finance

Private finance to substitute for public finance

#### **Addressing the Three Problems**

**Narrative** 

Who has the greatest stake in mitigation/prevention?

**Adding-Up** 

Technology, Technology, Technology

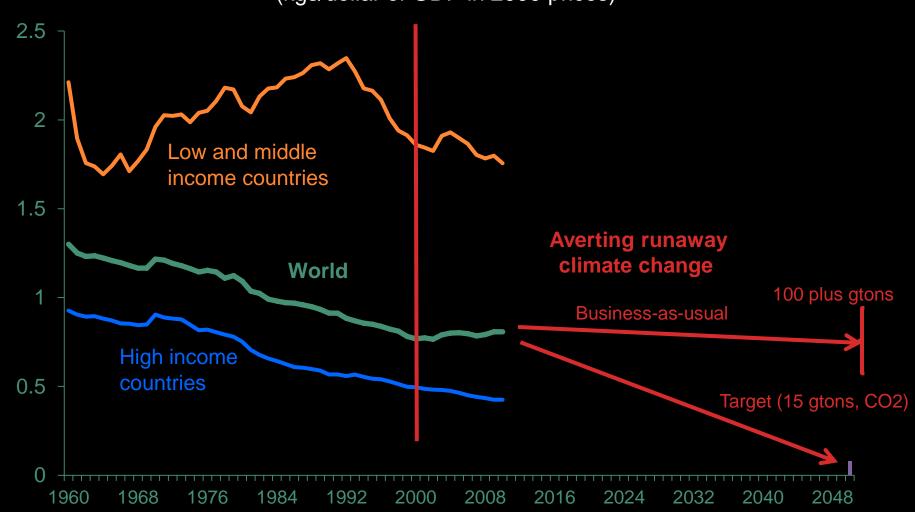
**New World** 

Contributions calibrated to economic situation

## Where We Need to Get to? Technology, Technology, Technology

#### Global emissions/global GDP

(kgs/dollar of GDP in 2000 prices)



## **New World Problem**

#### Cash for cuts







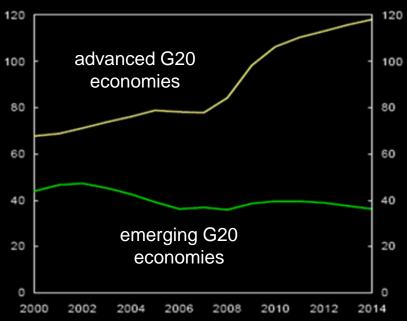


### **New World Problem**

But debt-addled rich have no cash for the poor and not likely to transfer to the Chinas and Indias







#### Finance for Technology

- More rich country spending on technology generation internally or on compensating for carbon price actions domestically
  - If consequence is <u>less international</u> finance, fine
- Allowing more developing country spending on green technologies—
  - Need to revisit trade rules (Mattoo and Subramanian, 2013)
  - Need to change ideology on government interventions (industrial policy, research)
- International green fund for technology generation and dissemination with contributions by ALL
- Finance for Adaptation: NO, NO, NO!

## Generating a Technological Revolution: Who Does What?

**How does the Rest facilitate?** 

What does the West do?

Key step: Raise carbon price

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## Role reversal: The Rest Leads and Facilitates West's Contribution

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#### Political Economy/Plausibility?

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Begun in India and China

**China Started** 

#### **Trade-related actions**

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WTO Rules almost there

West that must Agree

## Technology-related actions

Contribute to global technology fund

Ensure strong protection of IPRs related to green energy and technology

Broaden
Green Fund

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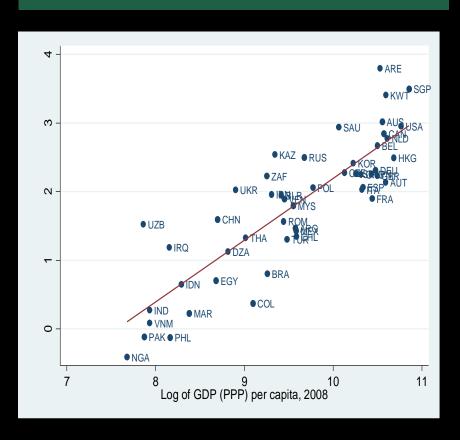
# Not There Yet: Little more domestic imperative for action

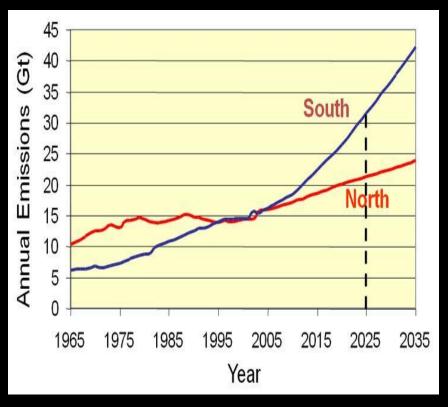


### **Narrative Problem**

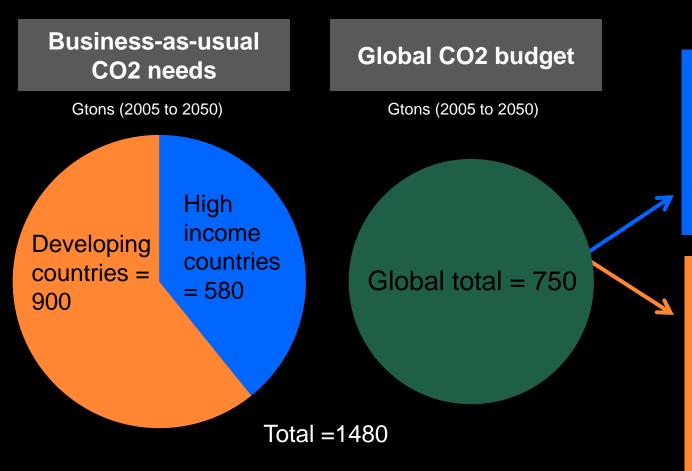
**Rest: Focusing on past** 

#### **West: Focusing on future**





## The Adding-Up Problem



#### Allocate budget to high income

Developing country emissions will satisfy only 20% of their emission needs

#### Allocate budget to developing

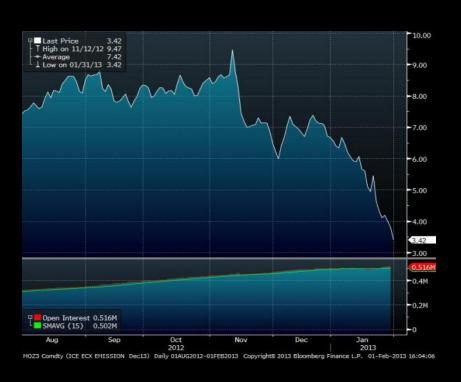
Developing countries will satisfy only 85% of their emission needs, and

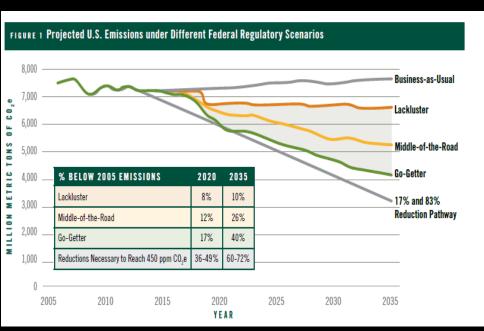
High income countries cannot consume any energy!

#### Unilateral Alternatives to Failed Cooperation:

#### **EU Unilateral Action**

#### **US Unilateral Action**





### **Are We Making Progress?**

