



# BETTER SYSTEMS FOR BETTER LIVES

## THE JUST TRANSITION THROUGH A WELL-BEING LENS

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# A well-being lens to climate action



Recognizes that the goal for our socio-technical systems should **focus on increasing well-being** (climate stability included) rather than economic growth;

Climate is embedded in a wider well-being agenda, making synergies and trade-offs between different goals visible; and climate policies more acceptable and feasible.

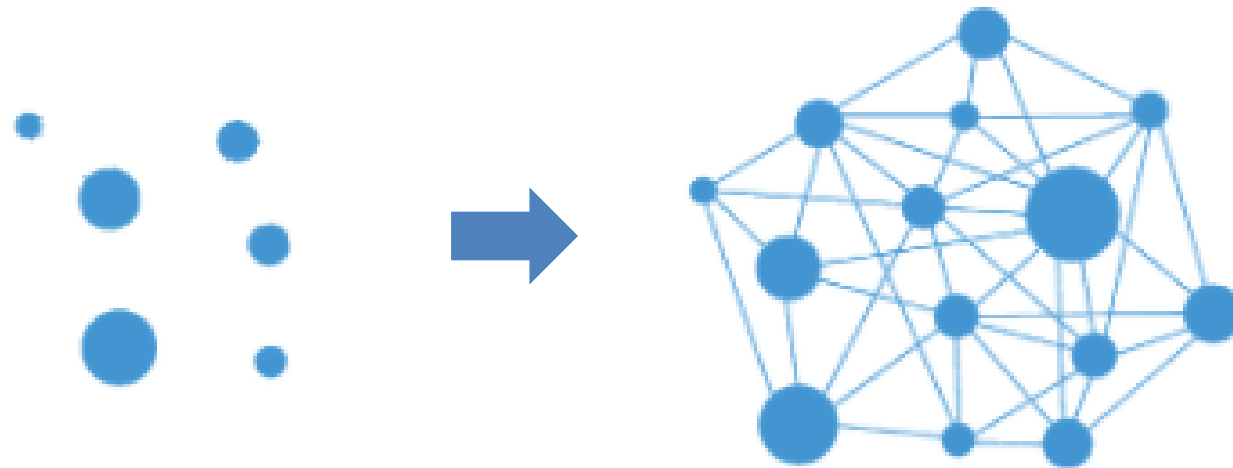


# It takes a systemic approach

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Supports governments so that,

Rather than optimising parts, they focus on **redesigning systems**

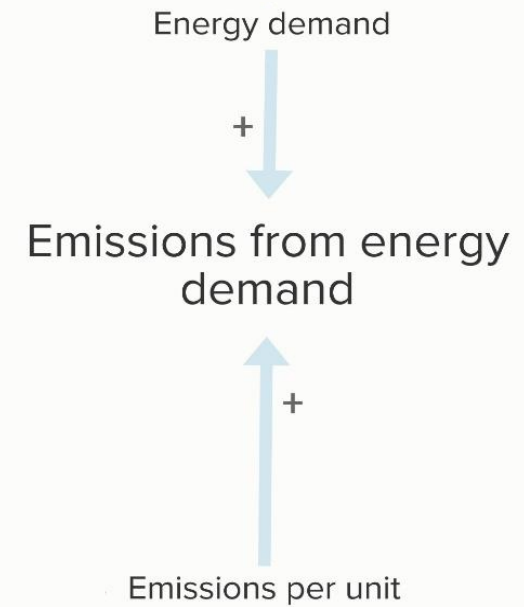




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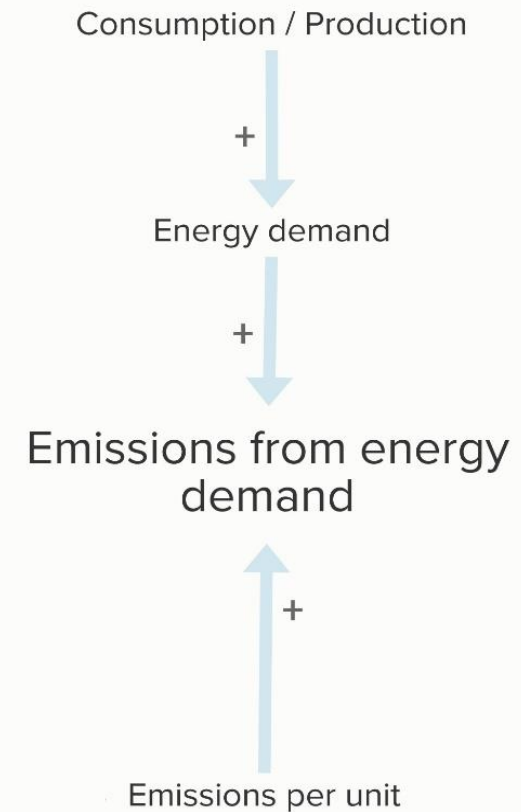
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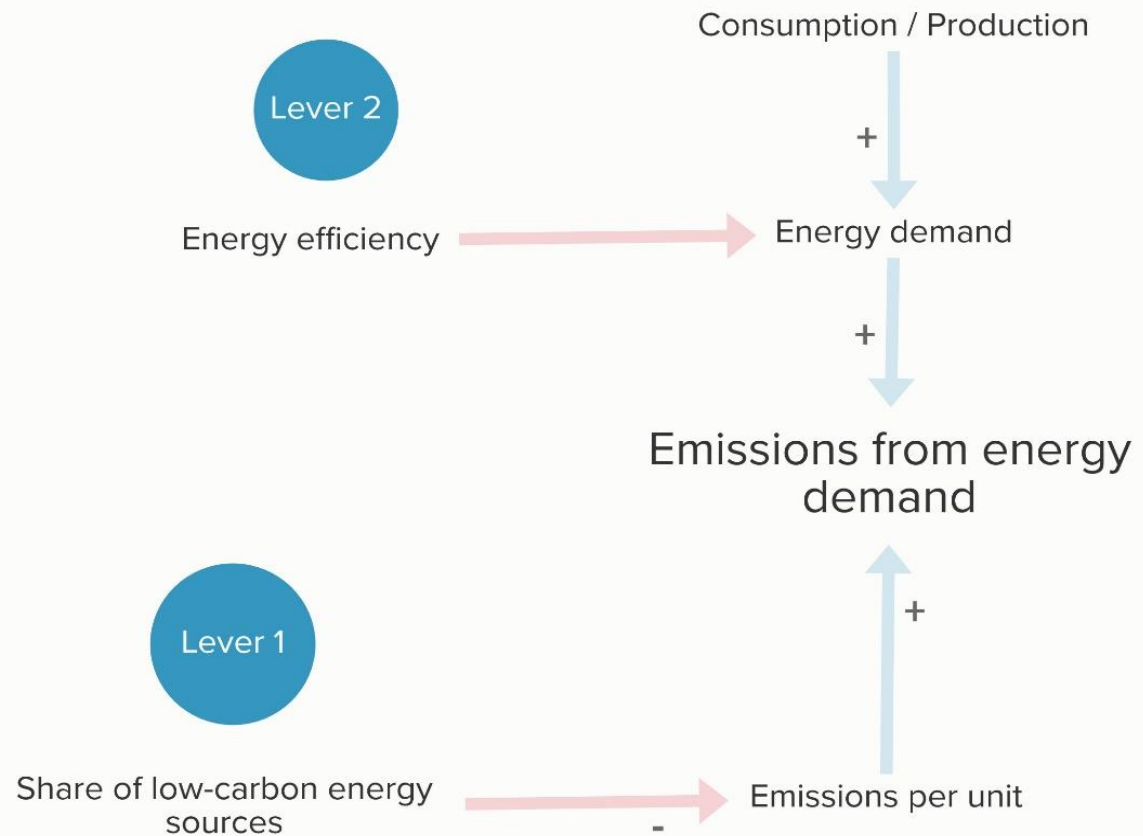
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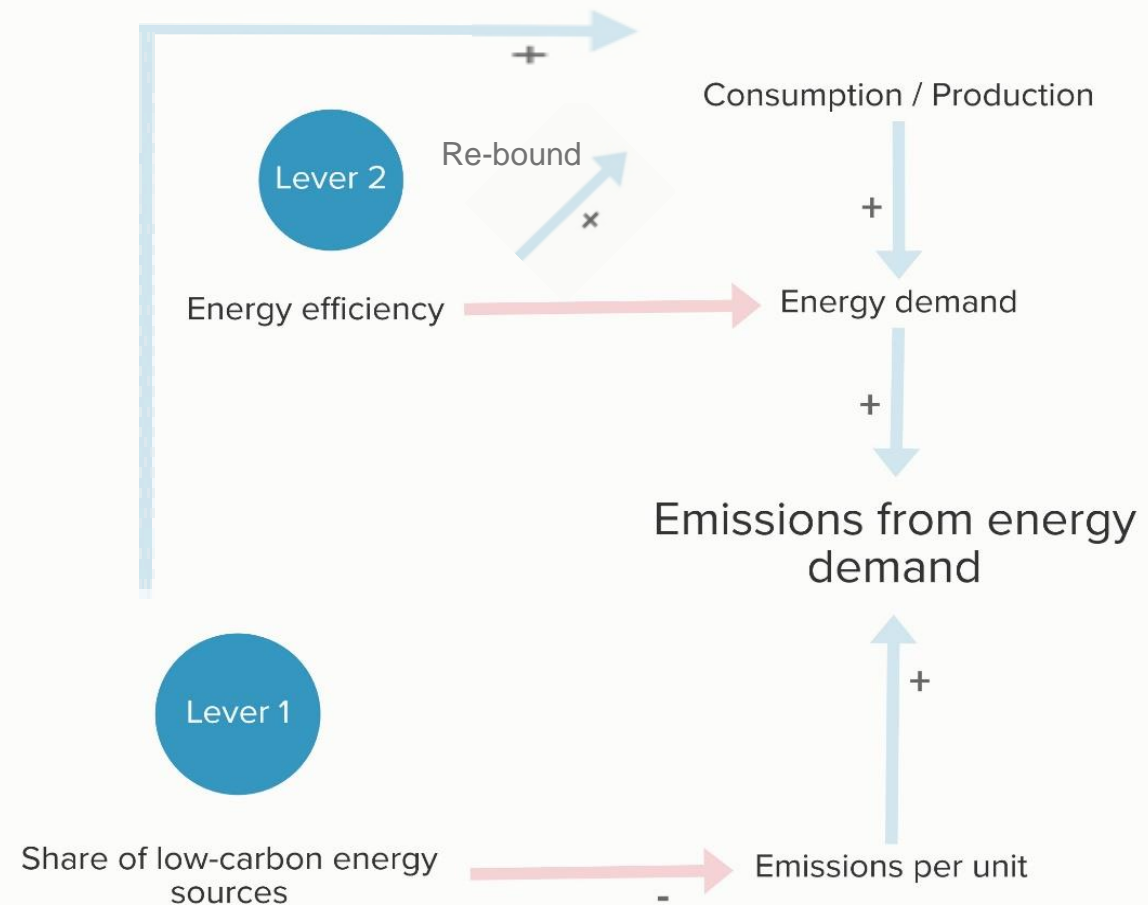




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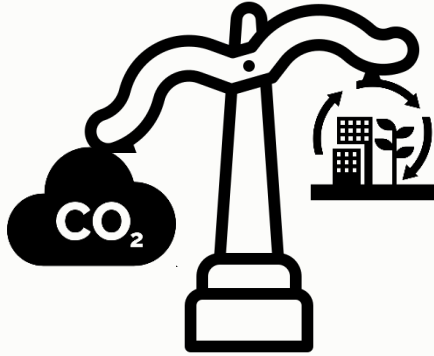


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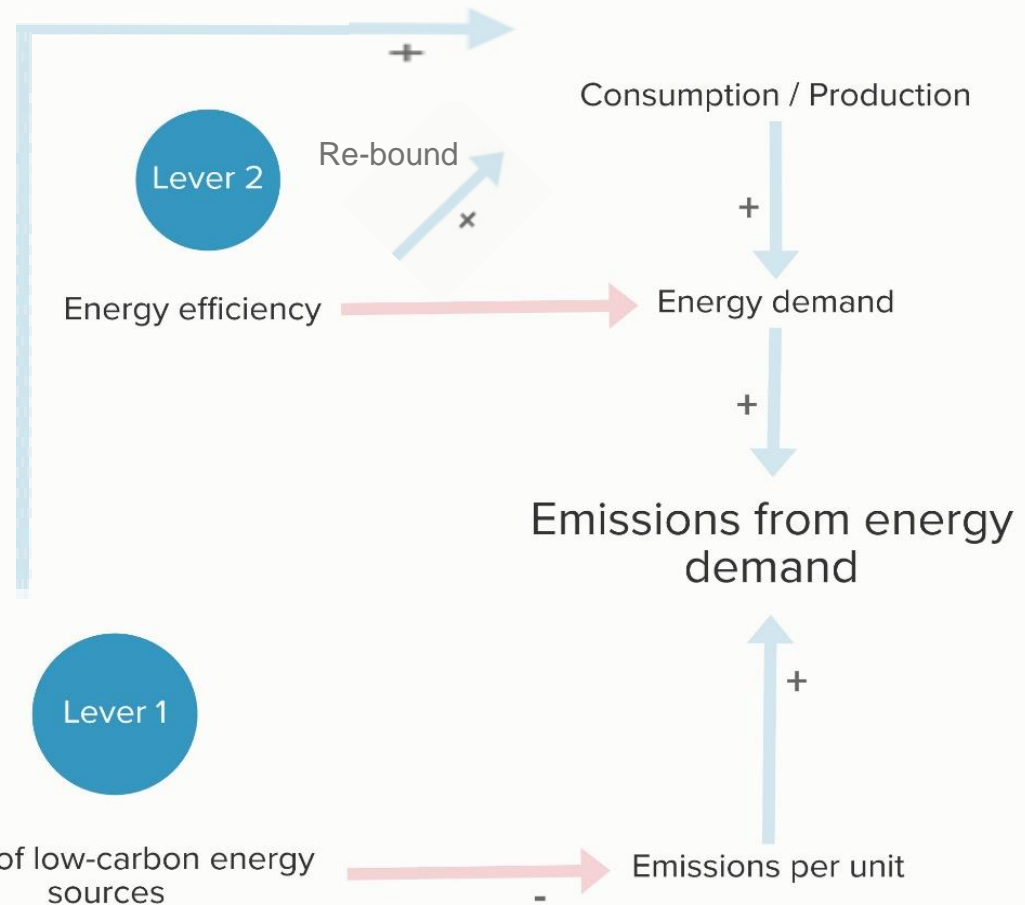


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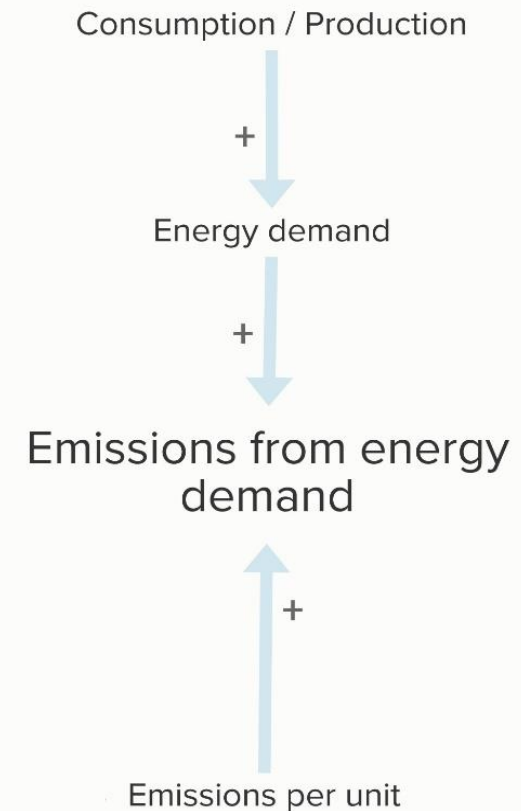
## Well-being strategies

The main focus is on ensuring the system's structure incentivises low, rather than high-, demand of energy intensive activity (consumption).



## Rethinking the goal

High well-being +  
low-emissions



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# To continue with the transport analogy

## Decoupling strategy

Decarbonising the **high mobility, low accessibility** system

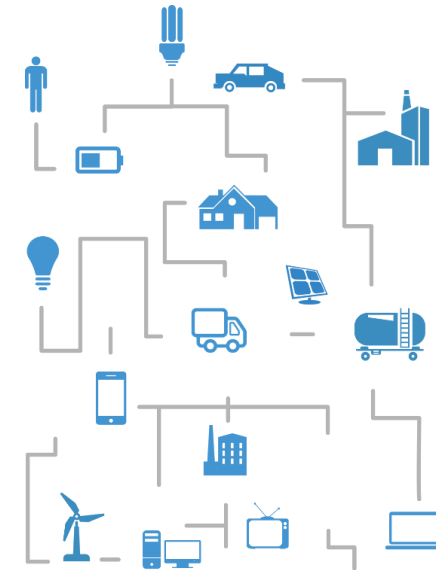


Substituting fuel-based for EVs



## Well-being strategy

Redesigning the system so that it becomes a **high accessibility, low mobility, low carbon** system



Multi-modal, clean technology networks in compact development



## The just transition with a well-being lens is **not about compensation**

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Main question:

- How can the new system's structure deliver, by design, **opportunities/choices** for different groups to become part of the low demand, low emission system?
- Compensation is envisioned but:
  - It is informed by well-being- based analysis (e.g. affordability, accessibility gaps, etc.);
  - Not the main solution
    - Temporary (for the transition)- but new system should minimise its need



## A practical example: coal phase out in Germany

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- Structural change component for the coal phase-out plan:
  - EUR 40 bn by 2038 for coal producing states (Saxony, Saxony-Anhalt, Brandenburg and North Rhine-Westphalia)
  - The aim is to restructure the economic life of these regions; securing livelihoods(supported by re-skilling programme)



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