

# FORECASTING IMPACT OF GAS ON CLIMATE CHANGE

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# Brave new world

## A mountain to climb in Rio

The world today has  
**7 billion**  
people ...



... by 2050 there will be  
**9 billion**  
people



**1.4 billion**



currently live on **\$1.25** a  
day or less



**1.5 billion**



people in the world do not  
have access to electricity



**2.5 billion**



people do not have  
access to a toilet



Almost  
**1 billion**

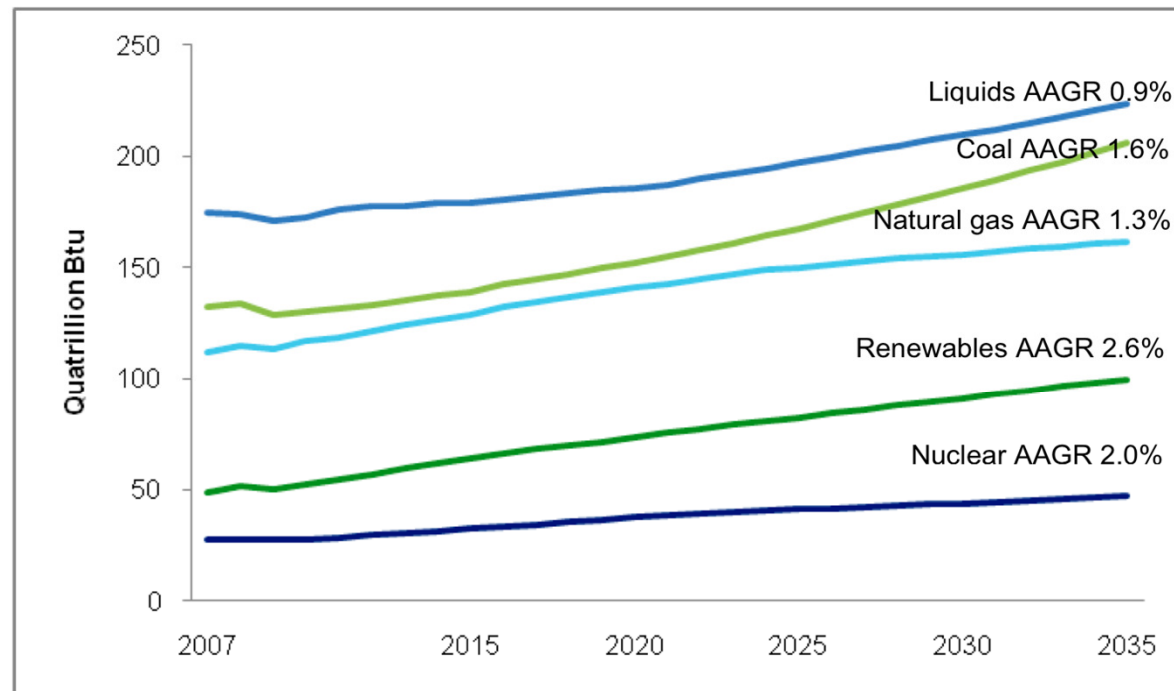


people go hungry  
every day



# OGI growth and new technology

Figure 3.16 Projection of global demand for energy by sources



Source: U.S. Energy Information Administration (2010).

- Demand for O&G products:
  - **technological frontier challenge**: deep water sources, shale beds, tar sands, coal bed methane, coal to liquid, geo-engineering (managing atmospheric brown clouds) etc
- 3 • **Climate change and environmental sustainability challenge**

# The second gas revolution?



- Unconventional sources
- ICT enabled extraction techniques
- Clean
- Mobile
- Fungible

Jack and Jill went up the hill  
to fetch a pail of water.  
There was none,  
as extreme weather  
due to climate change  
had caused  
a drought.

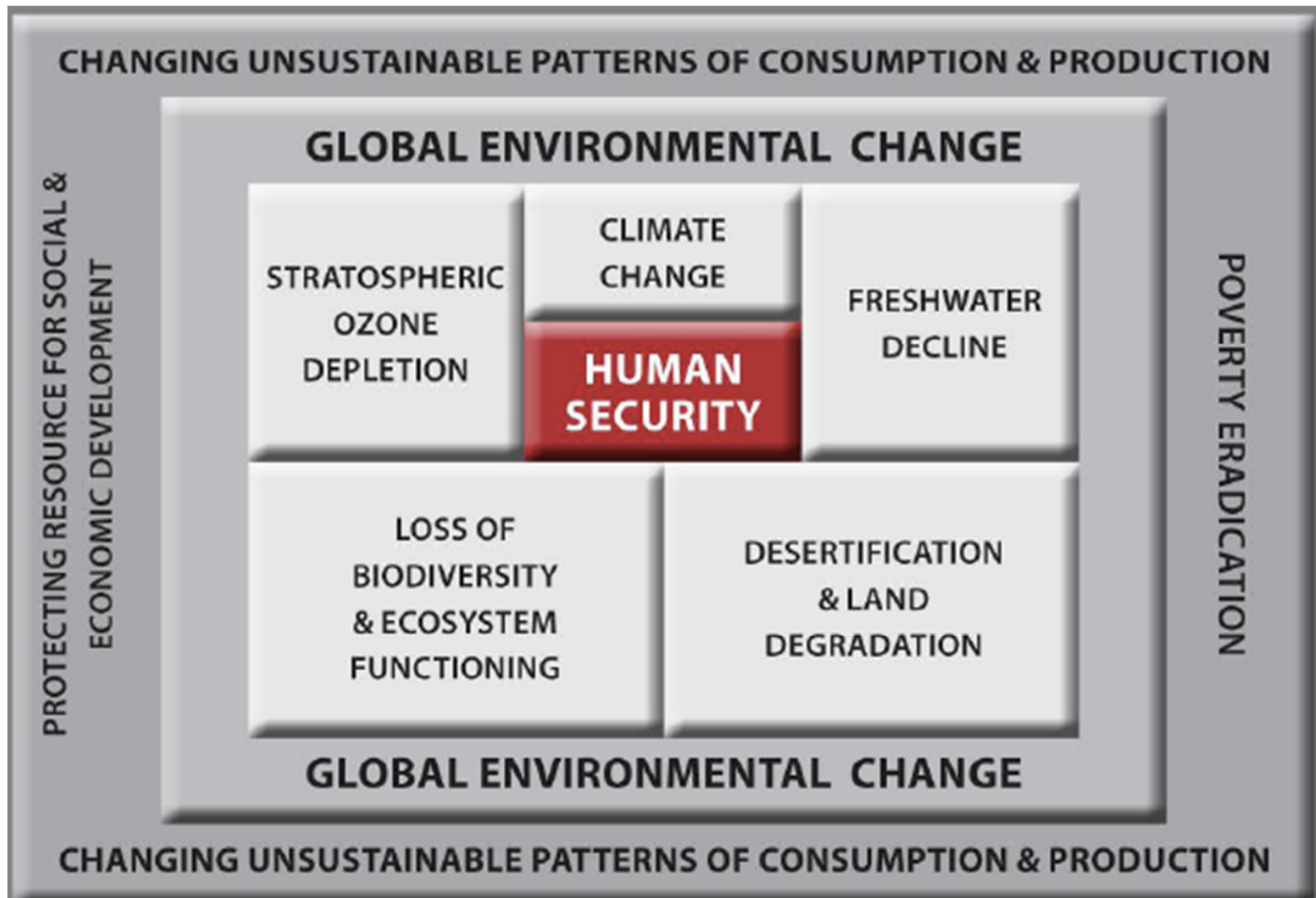


Climate change has serious implications for our way of life. For example, extreme weather conditions such as flooding, heat waves and storms will become more frequent & intense. If we carry on at this rate, life in 25 years could be very different.

IT'S OUR CHILDREN WHO'LL REALLY PAY THE PRICE  
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Climate change refers to an ongoing trend of changes in the earth's general weather conditions as a result of an average rise in the temperature of the earth's surface often referred to as global warming. This rise in the average global temperature is held primarily to be due to the increased concentration of greenhouse gases (GHGs) in the atmosphere that are emitted by human activities. These gases intensify a natural phenomenon called the "greenhouse effect" by forming an insulating layer in the atmosphere that reduces the amount of the sun's heat that radiates back into space and therefore has the effect of making the earth warmer.

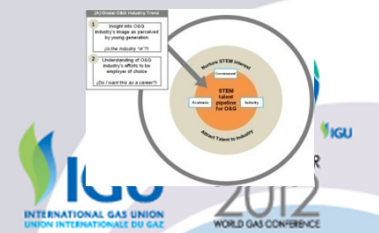


## Engaging with climate change



- Effectively manage inevitable climate change impacts through interventions that build and sustain social, economic and environmental resilience and emergency response capacity.
- Contribute timeously to the global effort to stabilize greenhouse gas (GHG) concentrations in the atmosphere to avoid dangerous anthropogenic interference with the climate system and enable sustainable economic, social and environmental development
- Company policies should seek to be consistent with national legislation, the Millennium Declaration and the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change.





- Develop a risk-based process to identify and prioritise short- and medium-term adaptation interventions
- Sectors of concern: energy, industry, water, agriculture and forestry, health, biodiversity and human settlements
- Mitigation:
  - Emission reduction outcomes based on mitigation potential, best available mitigation options, science, evidence and a full assessment of the costs and benefits
  - Carbon budget approach in relevant sectors and, where appropriate, translating carbon budgets into company emission reduction outcomes
  - Develop a Greenhouse Gas Inventory and Monitoring and Evaluation System to study impact of mitigation measures

# Industry challenge



- The industry usually viewed negatively as **environmentally unfriendly** and **hazardous**
- Global **O&G industry outlook is positive** as the energy demand projected to increase
- **Beyond CSR**



**LIBYA**

**SUDAN**

**NIGERIA**

**EQU.  
GUINEA**

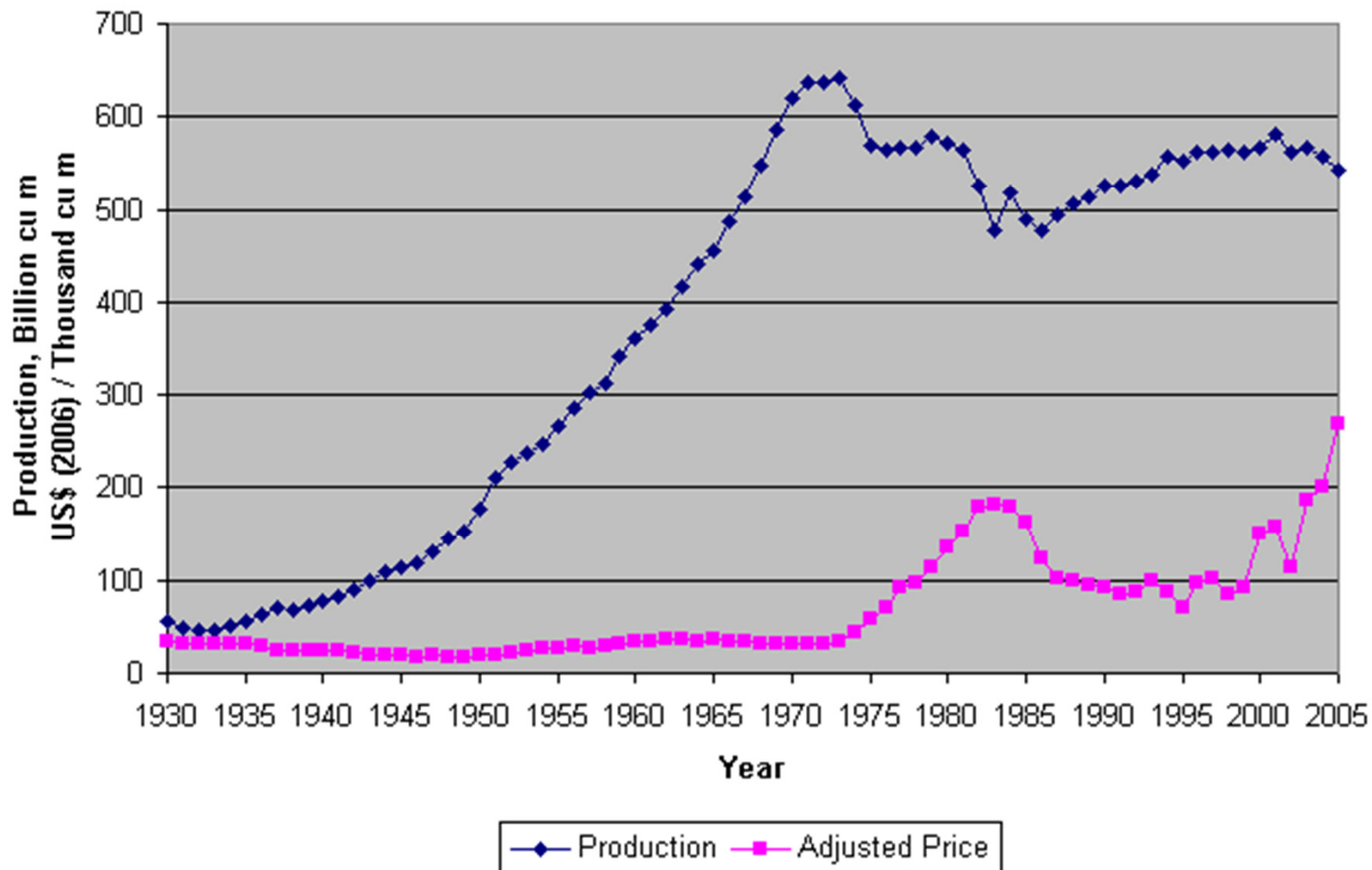
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**THE  
MOTHER OF  
ALL  
GASFIELDS**

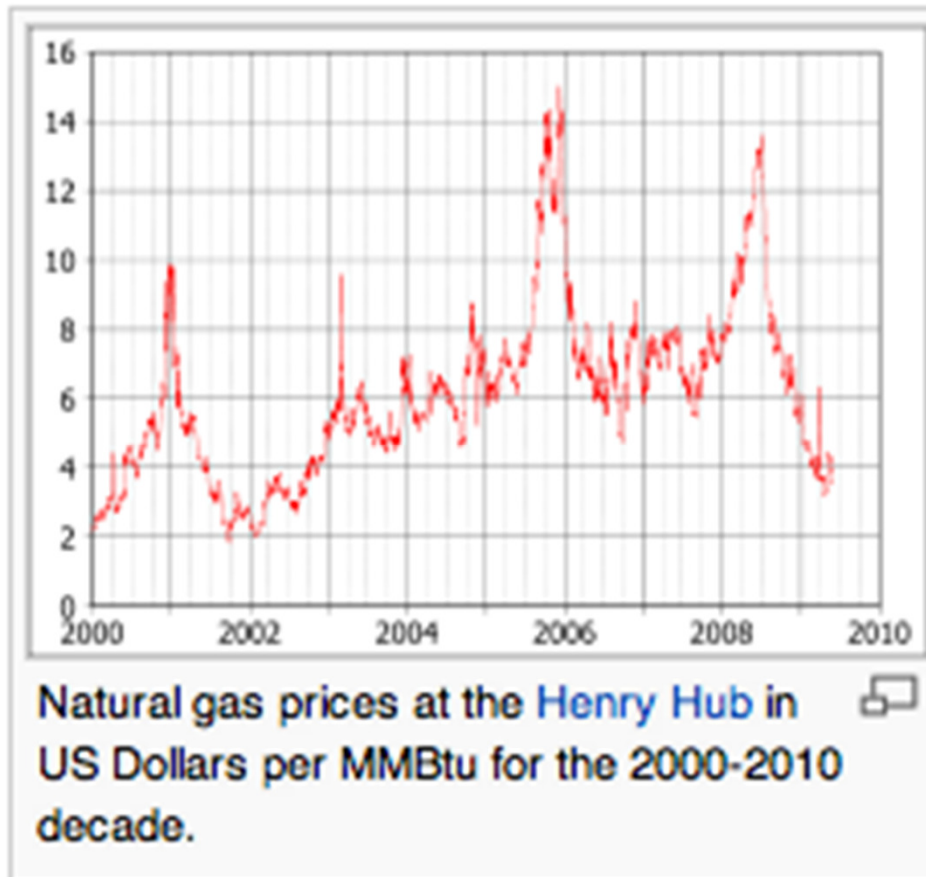
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# It's a gas, right?

## U.S. Natural Gas Production and Average Wellhead Price



# It's a gas, right?



The main periodical solar activity effect - the largest observed periodicity present in world temperature data – follows a 22 year. Hence for about half the time, the 11 year cycle of solar activity of particles, sunspots and radiation will move with temperature and half the time move against it.

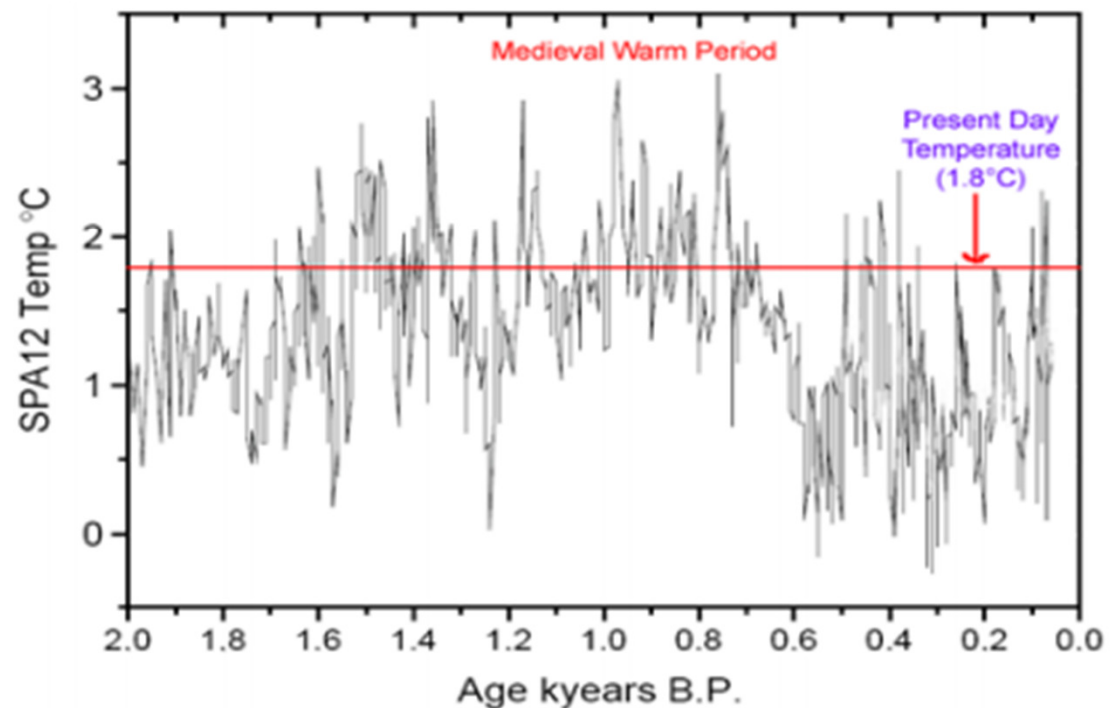
Climate change advocates choose time spans where the two move in opposite directions and ignore demonstrated correlations on longer time spans.

Scientists who research, understand and apply sun-earth magnetic and particle effects in probably skilled weather and climate forecasting are marginalized.

CO<sup>2</sup> based climate and seasonal weather forecasts on the other hand show no skill, have been abysmally incorrect for a decade and have got worse in the last few years.

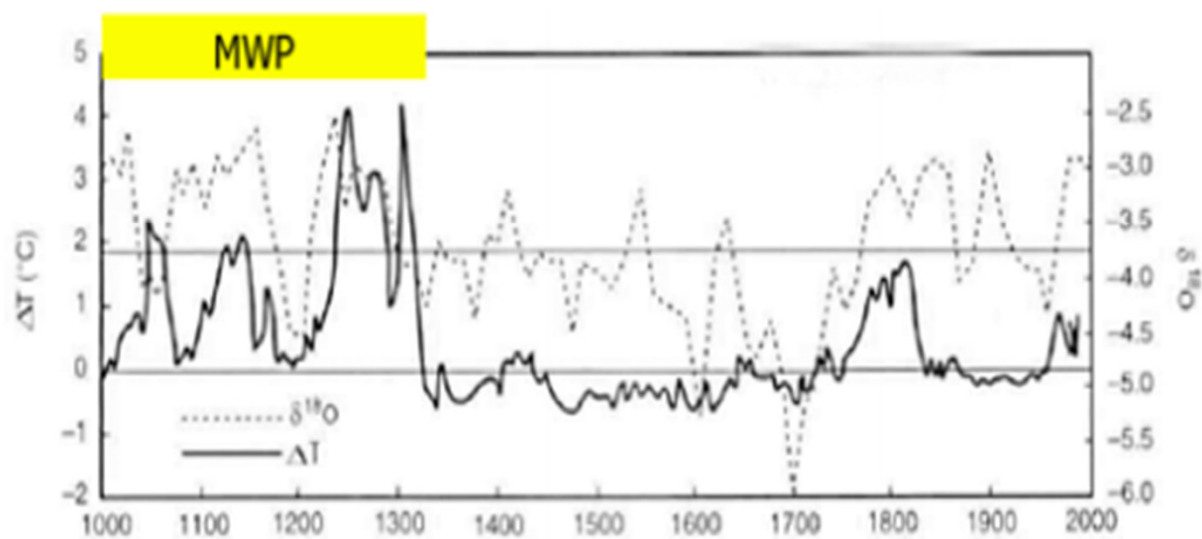
## Spannagel Cave, Central Austrian Alps

Mangini *et al.* (2005) developed a highly-resolved 2000-year record of temperature with better than decadal resolution from a stalagmite recovered from Spannagel Cave in the Central Alps of Austria (47.09°N, 11.67°E). The highest temperatures of the past two millennia occurred during the Medieval Warm Period (AD 800-1300) and were “slightly higher than those of the top section of the stalagmite (1950) and higher than the present-day temperature.” In fact, at three different points during the medieval warm period, their data indicate temperature spikes in excess of 1°C above present (1995-1998) temperatures.



## Cold Air Cave, Makapansgat Valley, South Africa

Tyson *et al.* (2000) reported that maximum annual air temperatures in the vicinity of Cold Air Cave (24°1'S, 29°11'E) in the Makapansgat Valley of South Africa were inferred from a relationship between color variations in banded growth-layer laminations of a well-dated stalagmite and the air temperature of a surrounding 49-station climatological network developed over the period 1981-1995, as well as from a quasi-decadal-resolution record of oxygen and carbon stable isotopes. The medieval warm period (AD 1000-1325) was as much as 3-4°C warmer than the Current Warm Period (AD 1961-1990 mean).



Makapansgat Valley proxy temperature reconstruction adapted from Tyson *et al.*  
 MWP is represented by the yellow highlighted bar at the top of the graph.



# What does this all mean?

## Premise

1. Climate change is real

2. The Anthropocene Age is real

3. Renewables can fully substitute for fossil fuels

4. Gas is a responsible alternative

## Implications

1. **Develop a broad set of actions**

2. **Focus on mitigating human interactions**

3. **Drive PV, wind turbine, hydropower, geothermal ....**

4. Design environmentally acceptable extraction methods