

# Taking hold of the sword of Damocles



# 1. Equity and ambition are two sides of the same coin



- Without a rough shared understanding of what can reasonably be expected of others, Parties will fear “free riders”
- Insufficient ambition is inequitable

## 2. A three phase process can help to build a rough consensus on equity

1. Dialogue to understand positions and predicaments
2. Agree key principles and criteria for their operationalisation
3. Apply principles to key issues (mitigation, finance, adaptation, loss and damage etc): negotiate numbers

“Equity Corridor”

## **3. At least three core principles should be agreed**

### **1. Adequacy**

- No justice without climate protection

### **2. CBDR & RC**

- Any framework must recognise both historic responsibility and capability

### **3. The right to sustainable development**

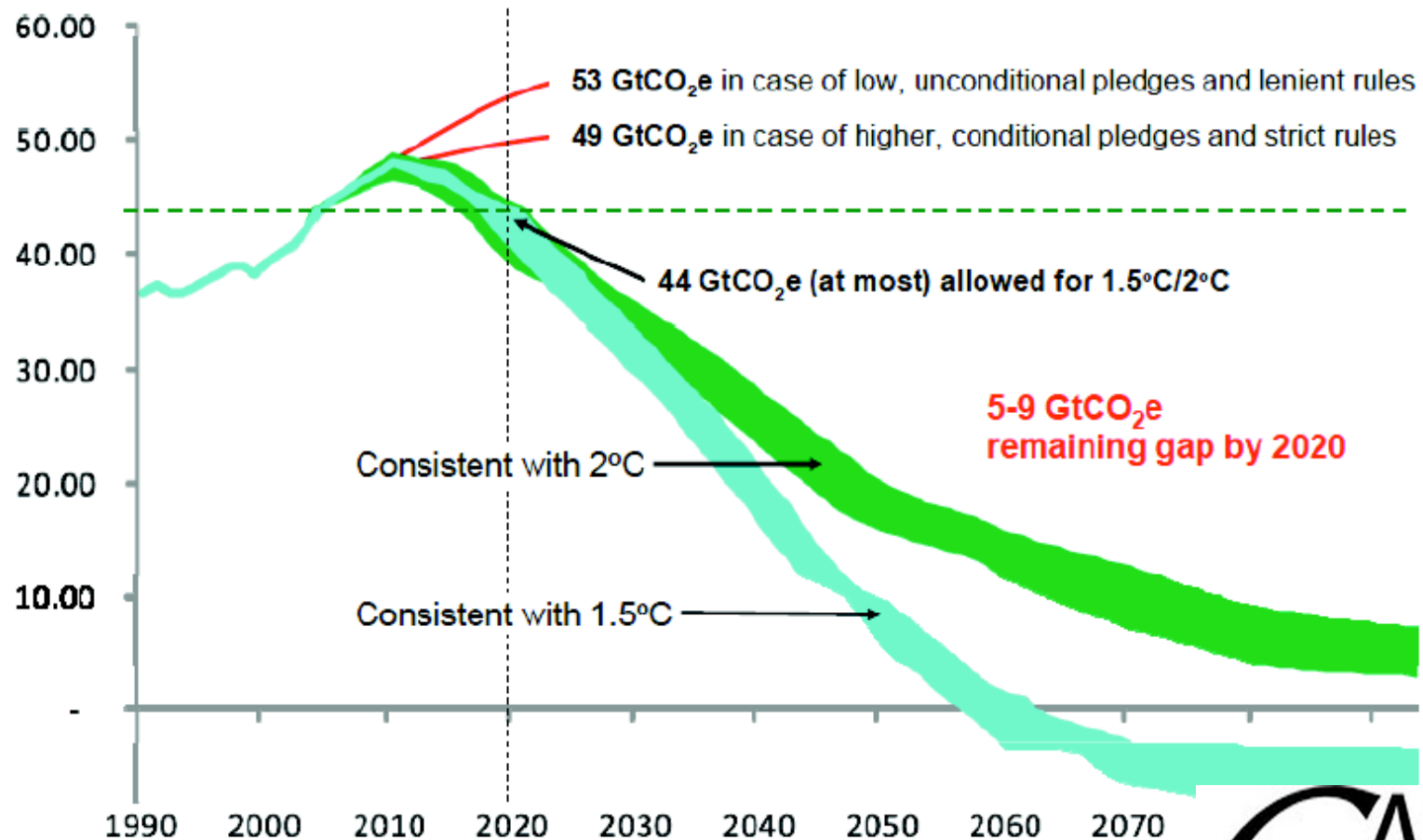
- Not a right to unconstrained emissions
- Will take time to develop, trust needed to move ahead with action in the meantime



## 4. However we look at it, developed countries are not doing nearly enough

- 25-40% range
- Absolute emission reductions by 2020
- Carbon budget / carbon debt
- Etc

# 5. But we all need to do much more to close the gap



Source: Adapted from The Emissions Gap Report 2014

