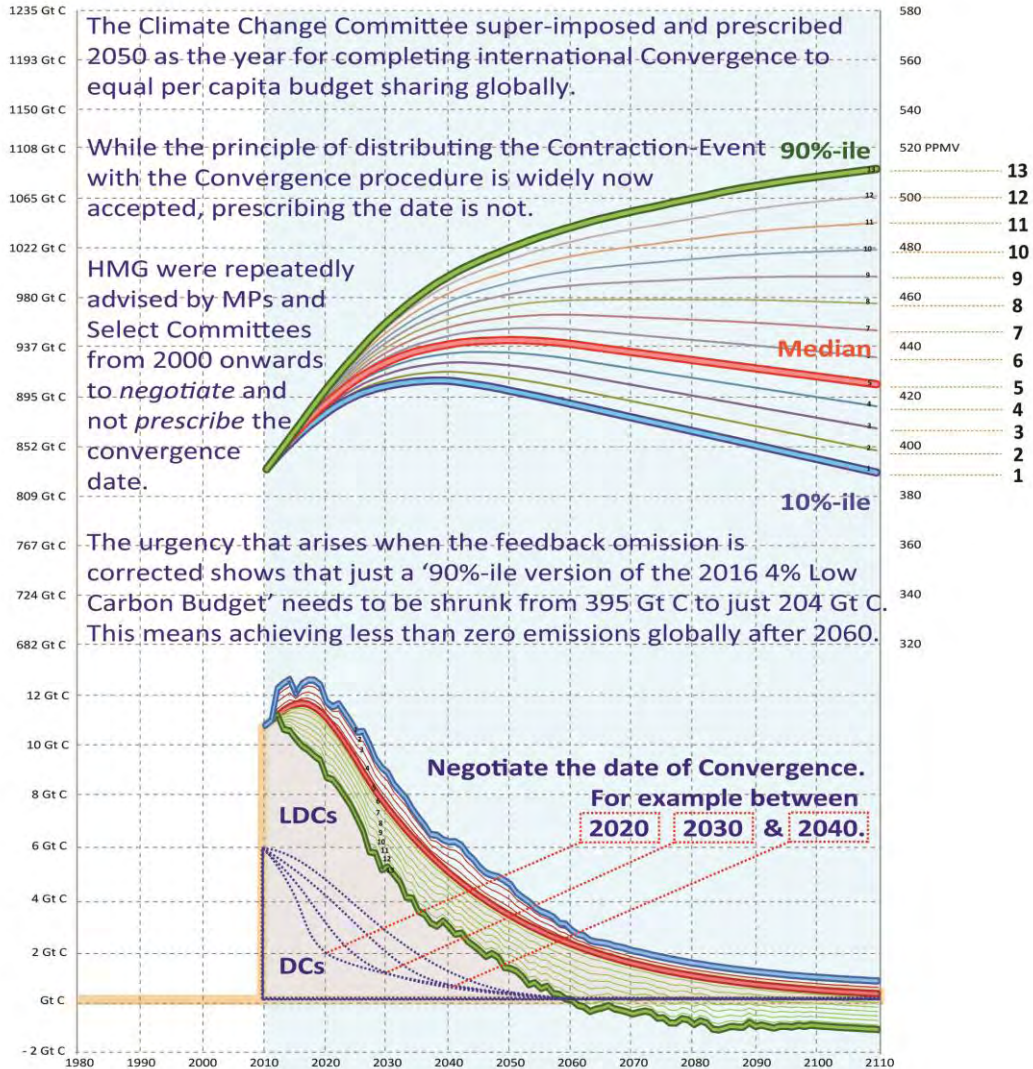


With the ‘carbon-budget’ adjusted to the concentration array so the budget always returns the Median path, the CCC’s prescription of Convergence by 2050 was provocative and had disastrous results at COP-15.



Consequently, if the available Carbon-Budget was as low as 204 Gt C, a figure much nearer to the one advocated by James Hansen and Bill McKibben, negotiating a convergence date by 2040, or 2030 or even by 2020 would be a more politically realistic - even propitious - way to engage with Less Developed Countries [LDCs], whose per capita emissions are still on average, much lower than those of the Developed Countries [DCs] such as the United Kingdom. A lesson for the authors of the UK Climate Act perhaps as the prescription of 2050 proved to have a disastrous effect at COP-15.