

# Power system with 100% renewable energy: the long wait...

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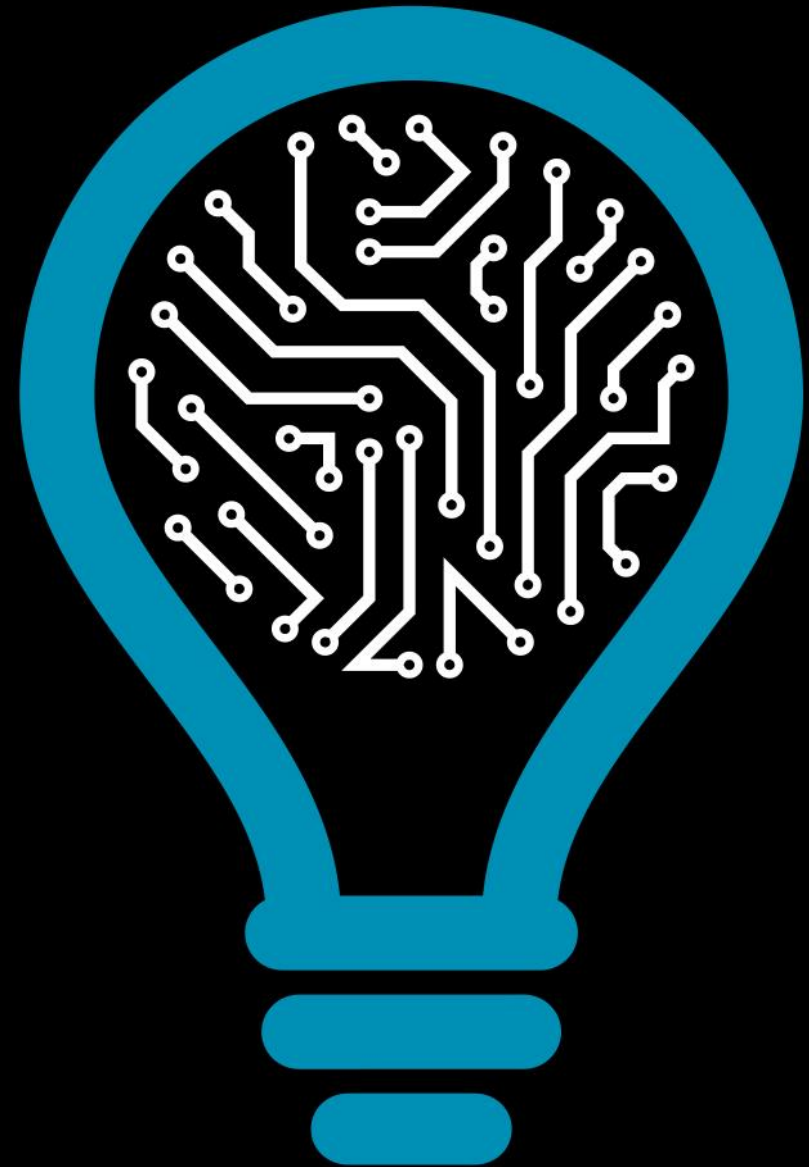
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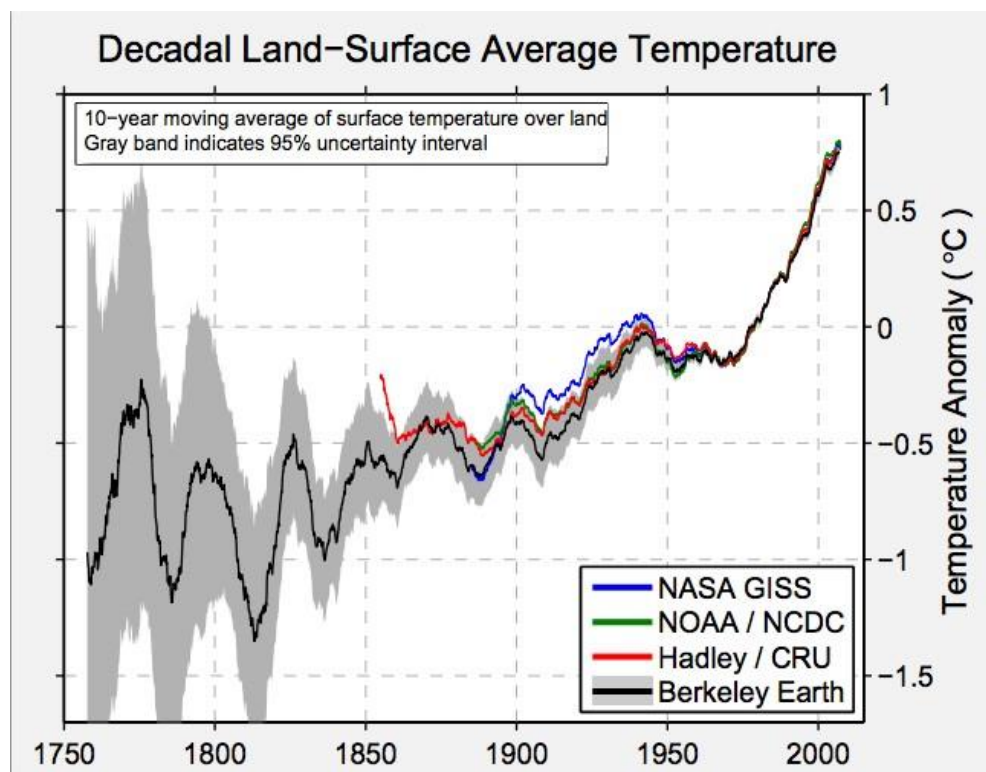
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# Introduction – Threats of Climatic Changes

Global earth temperatures have increased by 1.5 degrees Celsius over the past 250 years



**Sea ice acts as an air conditioner for the planet, reflecting energy from the sun**



# Introduction - Drivers

- Threats of Climatic Changes



**Progressive Electrification of the Economy and Society (the most efficient way)**

- **Driving forces for the future development of the electric energy industry:**
  - 1) **Environmental issues**: meet the PARIS Climate Agreement targets
  - 2) **The mobility problem → Electric mobility**
  - 3) **Replacement of old infrastructures** (generation and grid)
  - 4) **Security of Supply**
  - 5) **Increase quality of service** (more automation and remote control)
  - 6) **Electricity market liberalization** (energy and services)
  - 7) **Consumer empowerment**
  - 8) **Pervasive and low cost ICT solutions**

# Achieving Utopia at the European Electrical Power System?

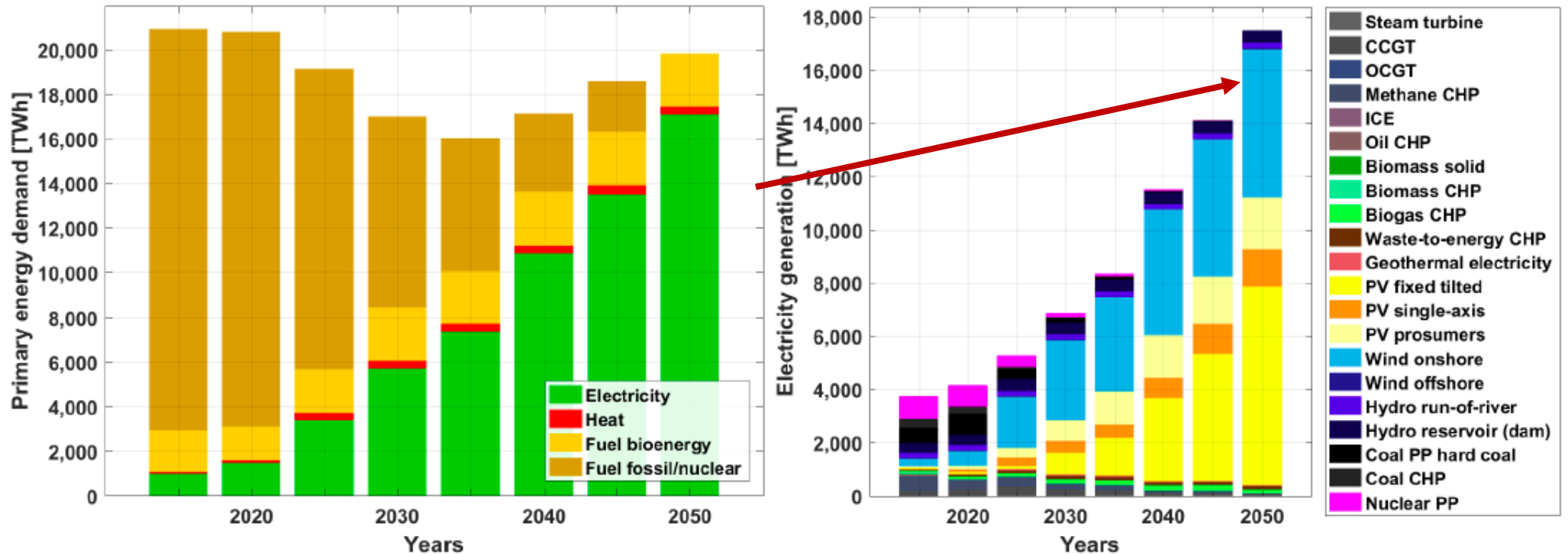


Figure KF-1: Primary energy demand (left) and electricity generation from various power technologies (right) through

RENAlliance panel, at COP 24 – Europe projections



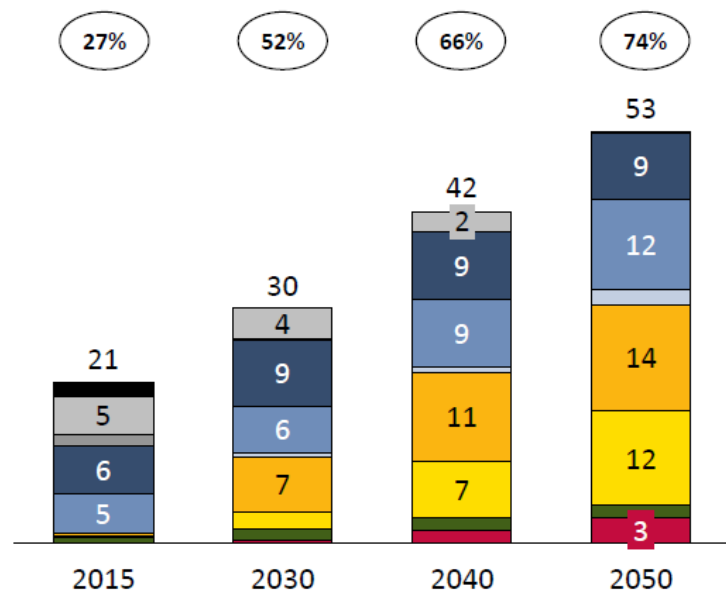
# Prospective scenarios for Portugal up to 2050

**The electric system will be totally decarbonized by 2050, with renewable generation representing > 80% by 2030**

### Capacidade instalada

GW

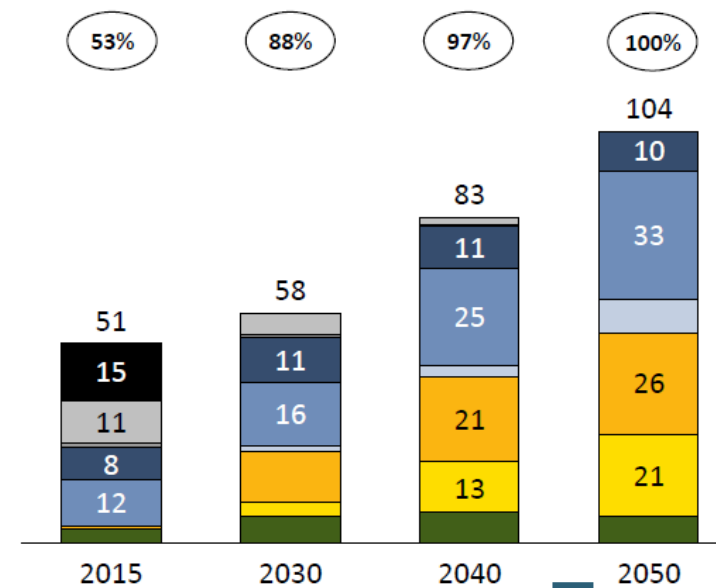
○ Peso de eólica e solar



### Mix de geração

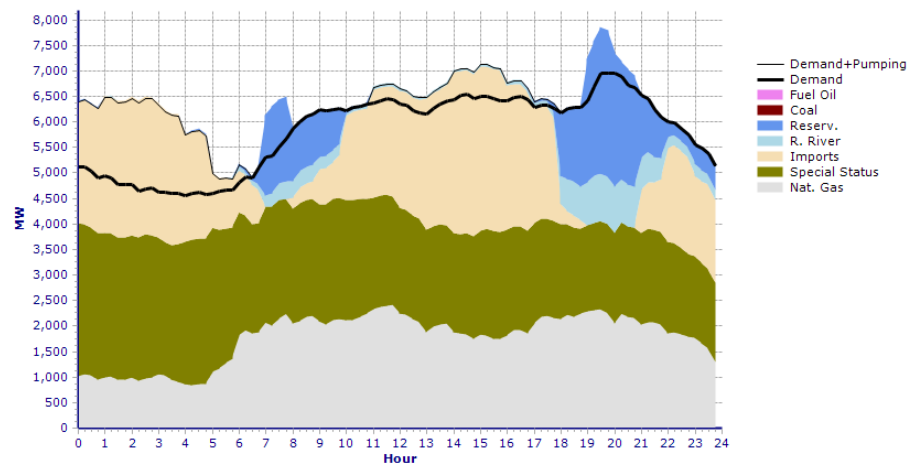
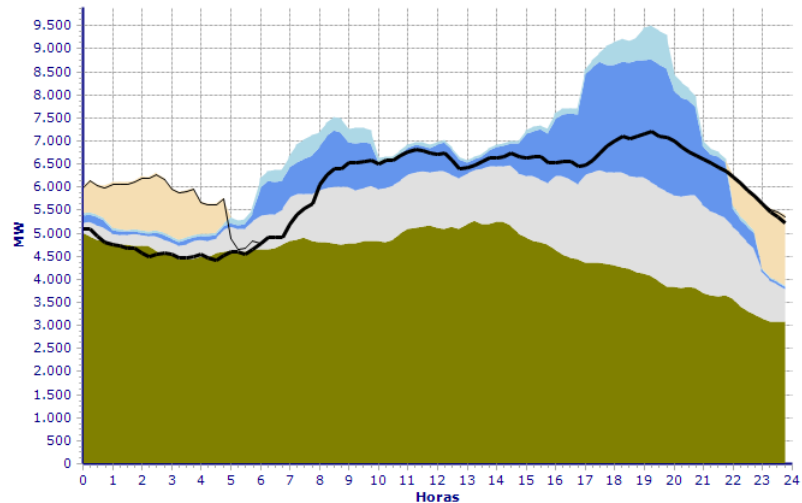
TWh

○ Peso das renováveis

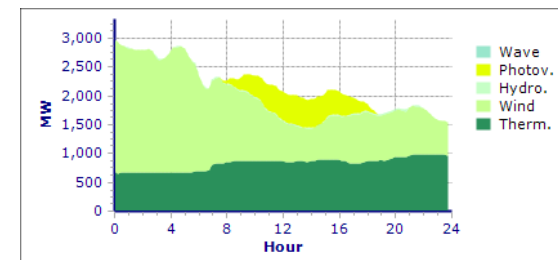
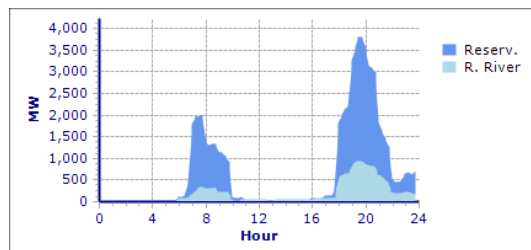


- Large Share of Distributed Generation
- Large amount of variable RES
- Grid dominated by electronic power converters

# Recent operating scenarios for Portugal October 2019

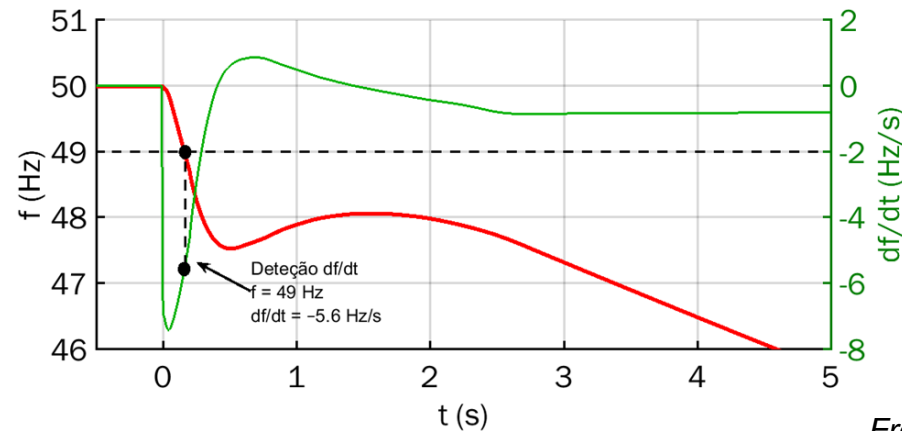


The role of hydro pumping reversible power stations



# Impacts for the Operation of the System (Inverter Dominated Grids)

- Reduction of the global inertia of the system → Stability assessment becomes an issue of concern



Very large  $df/dt$



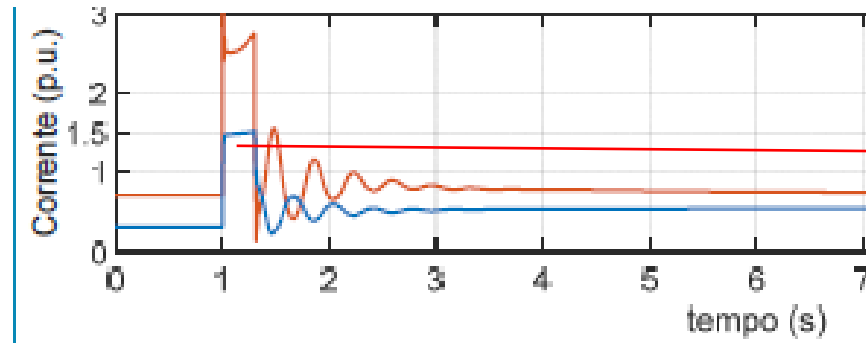
System instability phenomena



Synthetic inertia or synchronous  
Condensers may be needed  
(hydro pumping units can provide inertia when  
are not generating neither pumping)

From: studies for the Madeira Grid Code (EEM)

- Reduction of the short circuit currents → Re-evaluation of the protection solutions and settings



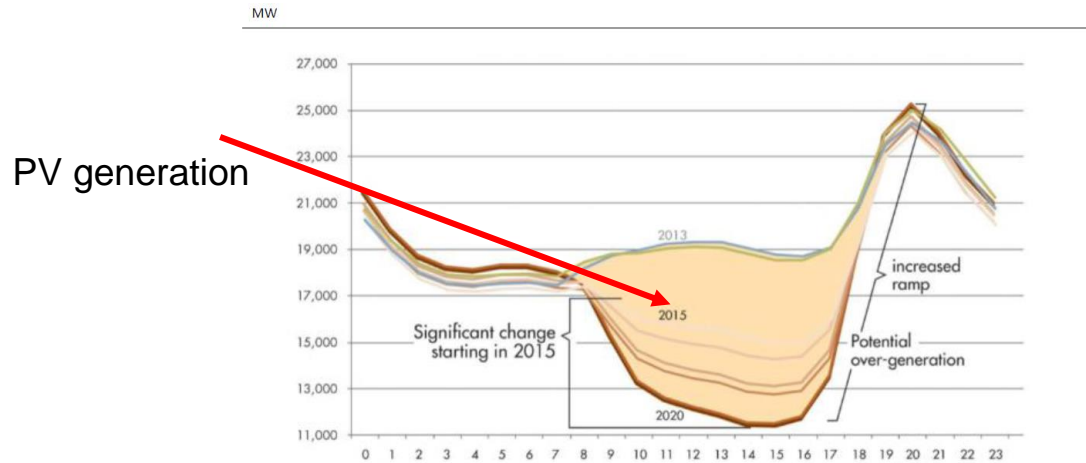
Current from the inverter (no sub-transient  
or transient currents), limited to  $1,5I_n$

From: studies for the Graciosa and Santa Maria BESS (EDA)

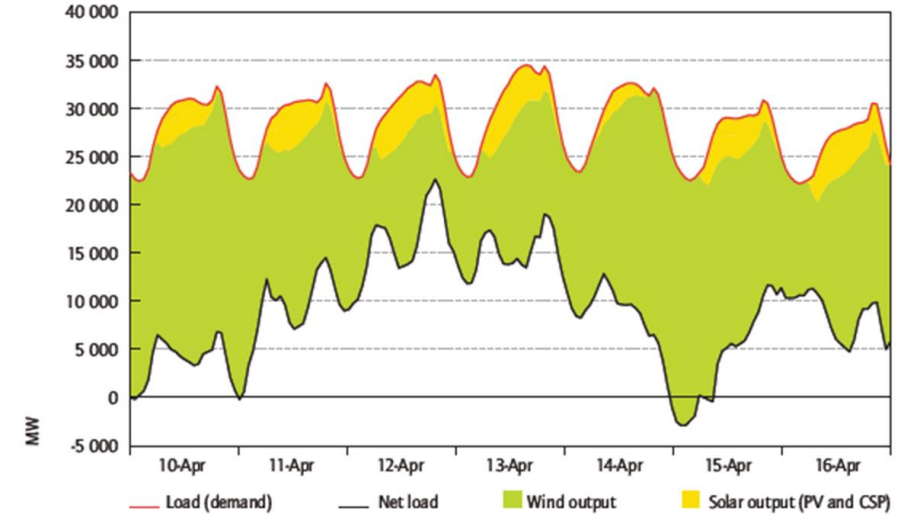


# Impacts for the Operation of the System

- Large power imbalances in the system

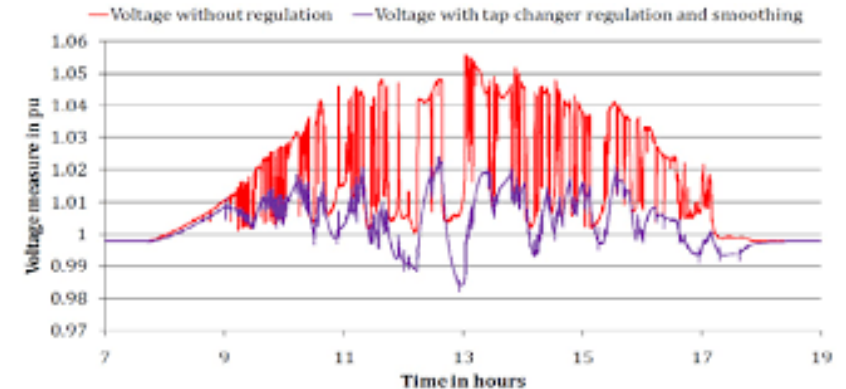
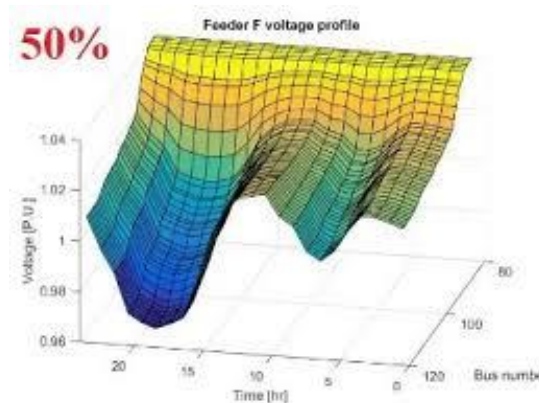


Source: CAISO



Source: GE Energy, 2010.

- Operational reserves need to be carefully assessed in order to guarantee an effective load balancing in the system
- Distribution grids will face difficult voltage regulation problems

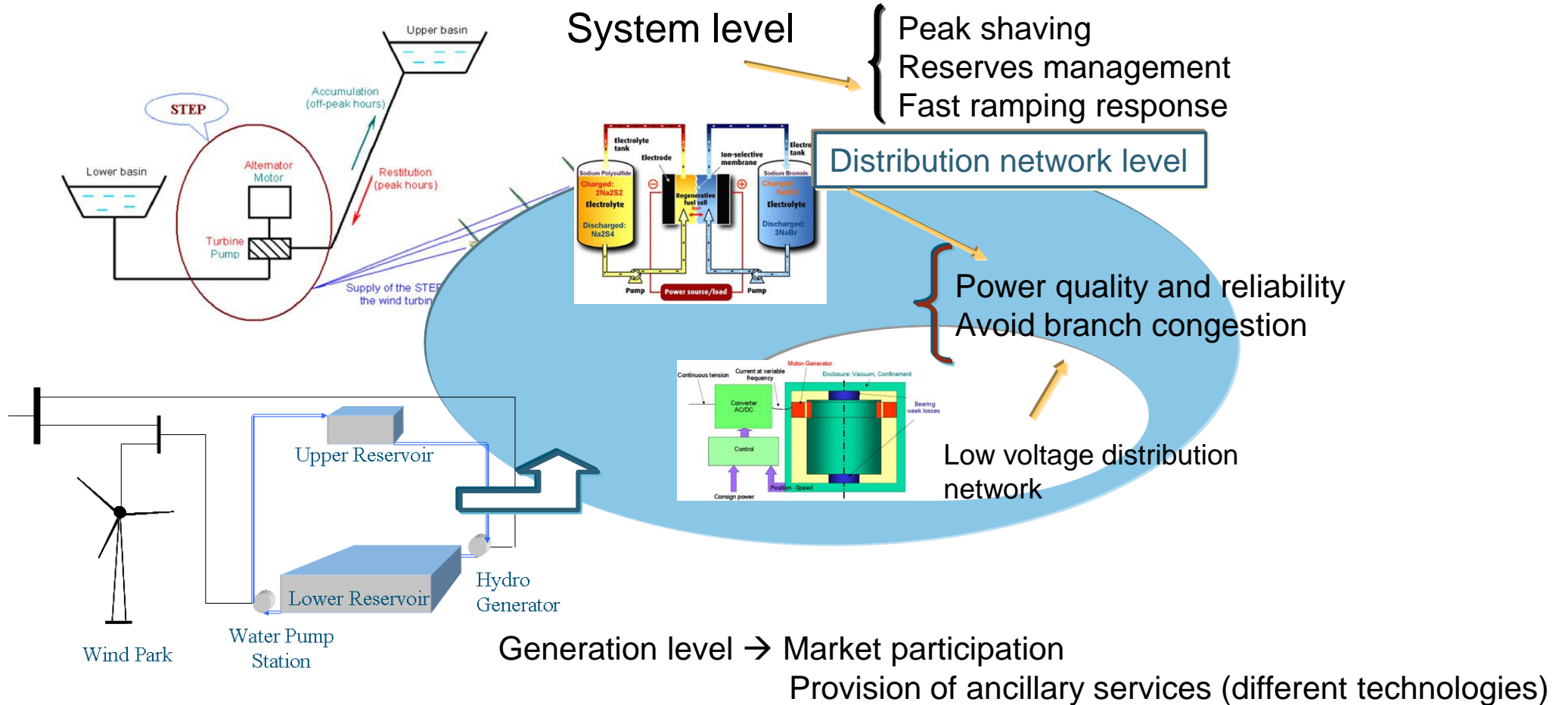






# How to plan and manage a system with almost 100% RES penetration

Storage will provide part of the needed flexibility and it should be managed at different Levels → Multi-level management storage



Storage will be key issue to assure the success of the energy transition

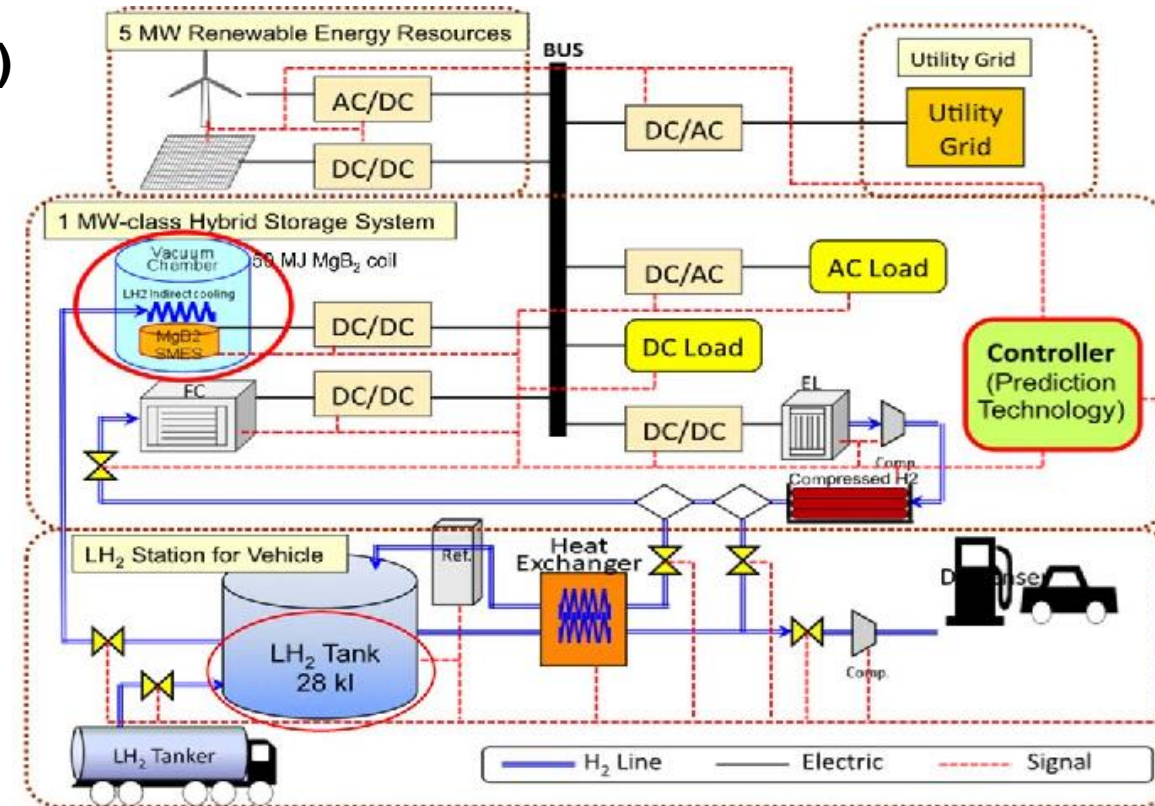


# Seasonal storage

Seasonal storage capability will be required as a result of the variations on production from renewable power sources (namely PV) during the year.

Solutions:

- **Hydro pumping stations (large upper reservoir)**
- **Investment on H<sub>2</sub> production and storage**
  - Use H<sub>2</sub> on transportation
  - Use of H<sub>2</sub> on industrial heating
  - Bleding H<sub>2</sub> + NG
  - Use it in CCGT (assuring in this way security of supply)

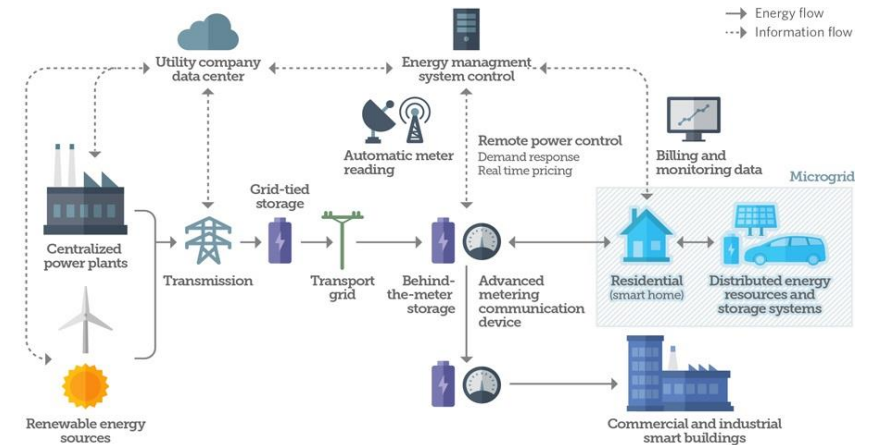




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- Exploit and develop the concept of **flexibility** in order to accommodate the variations from the generation (offer), dealing with:
  - **Capacity of the load to become adaptable to variations from generation** → requires a careful analysis of the industrial processes, electric mobility charging and consumption in buildings and homes → Development and use of battery smart charging, IEMS, BEMS, HEMS;
  - Deal with **behavioral management of consumers** to have them participating actively in the load response;
  - Having **generation units capable to respond fast to variations of RES** (ramping up and down), activating fast reserves → Batteries and Hydro reversible units (may require the revamping of some hydro power stations).

- **Accelerate the development of the smart grid** → deploy smart meters and develop control procedures to leverage efficient operation of the distribution grid, accommodating the energy community concept.

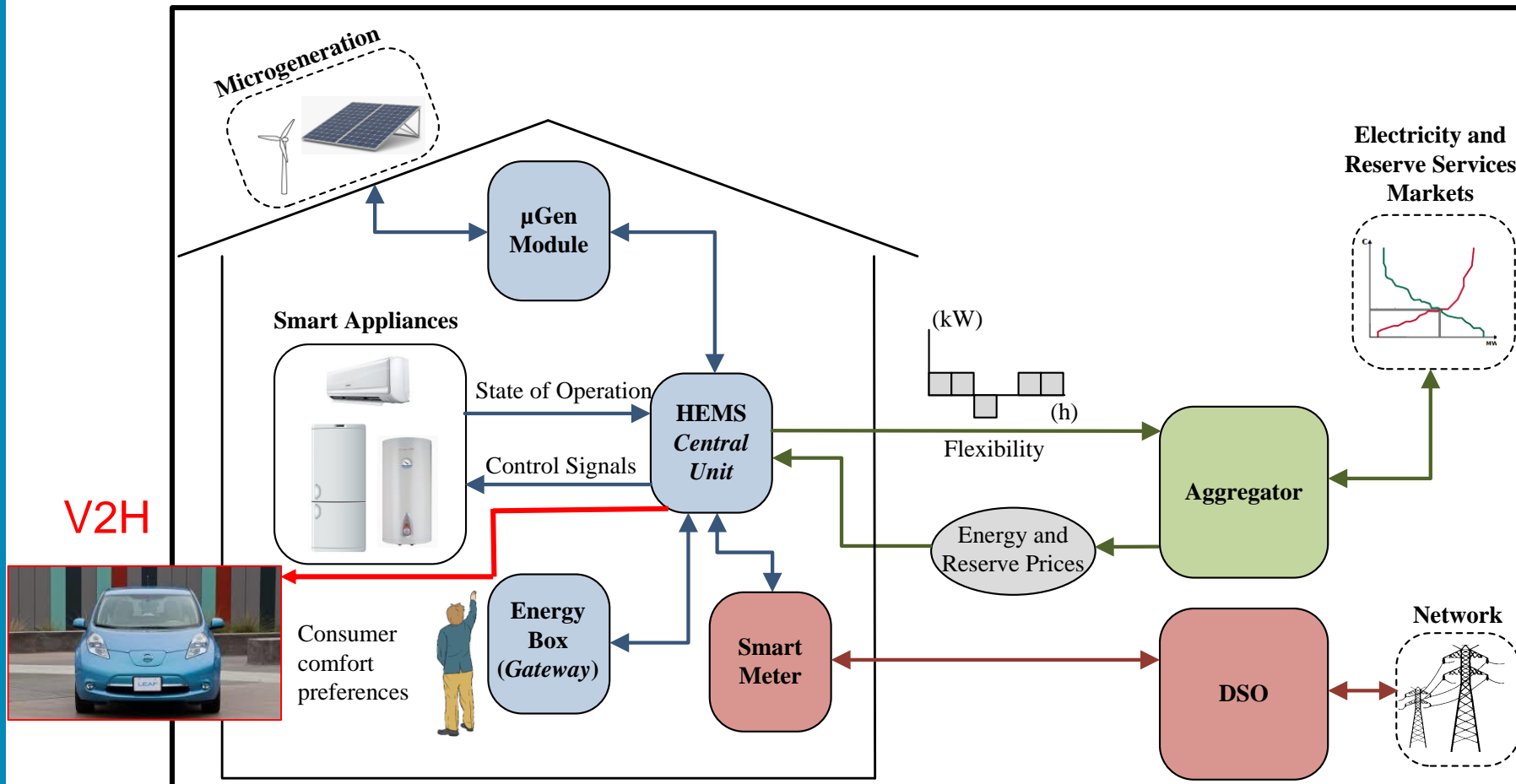


Source: LG CNS  
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Knowledge gathered from the participation in several projects:  
InovGrid, MERGE, AnyPLACE, SuSTAINABLE, SENSIBLE, InteGrid,...

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Residential Demand Response: The Smart Home → Flexibility provision



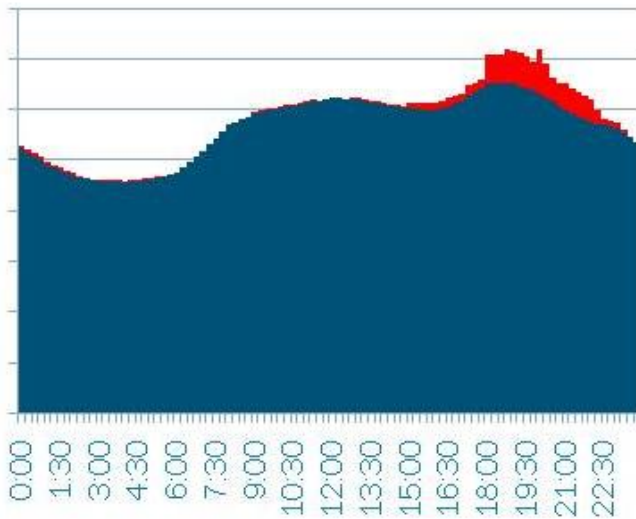


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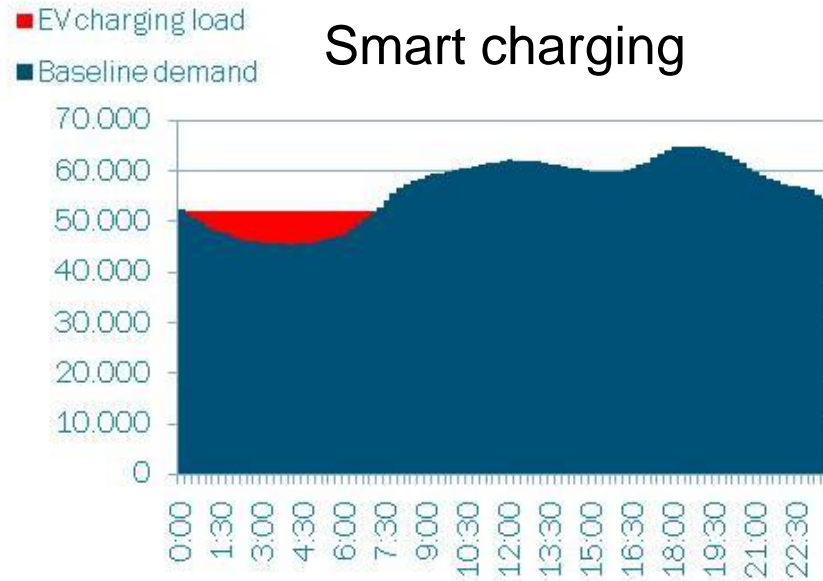


The electric mobility will become more and more a reality (Hybrid Plug In EV, BEV).

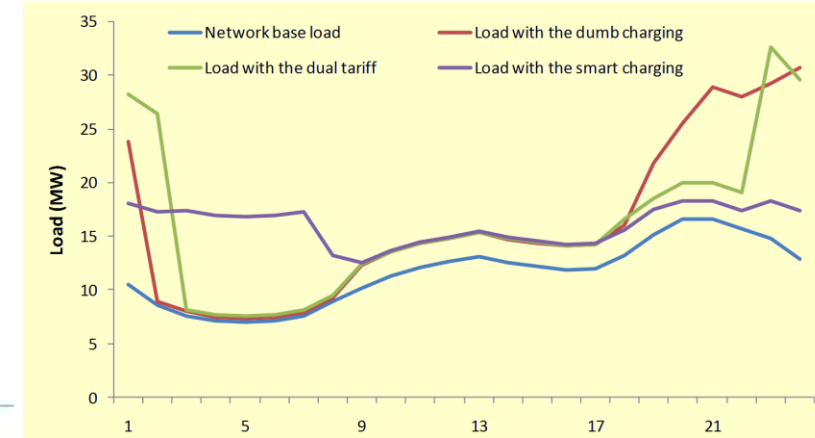
EV batteries are flexible charges allowing to move from an uncontrolled charging to a full controlled smart charging.



Dumb charging



Smart charging





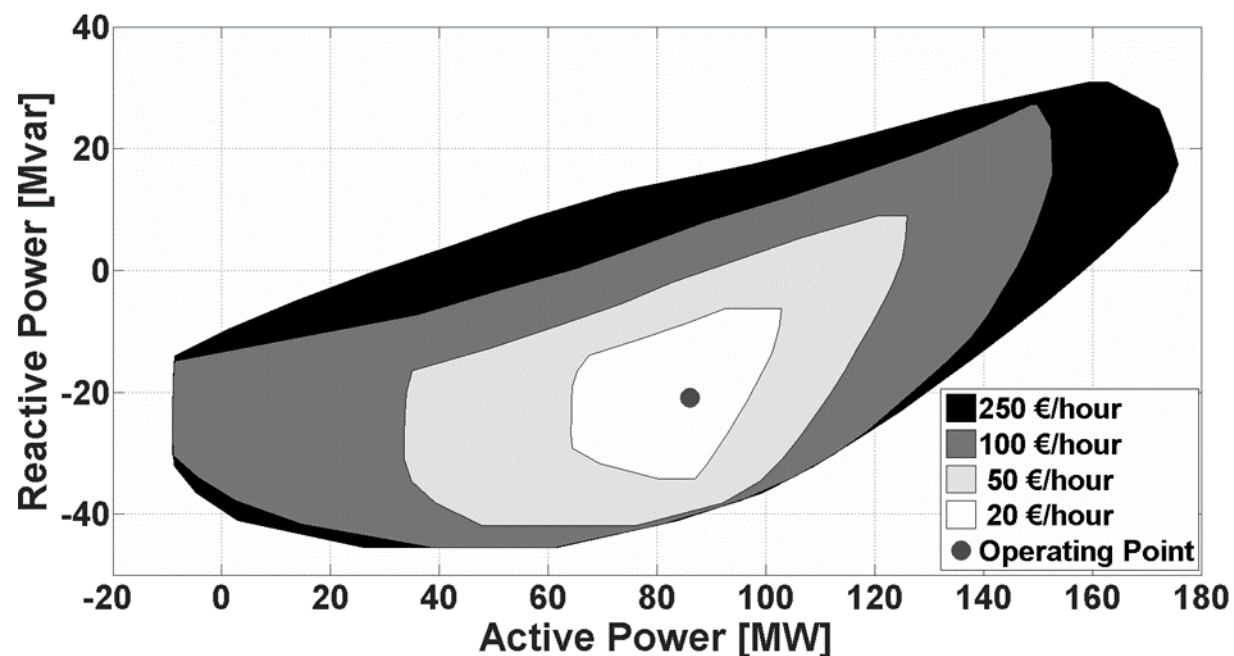


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Increase the interaction between TSO/DSO by coordinating control actions (which requires exchange of information) in order to activate the DER.

It involves costs when activating these measures (for each hourly step)

Flexibility Diagrams per bus



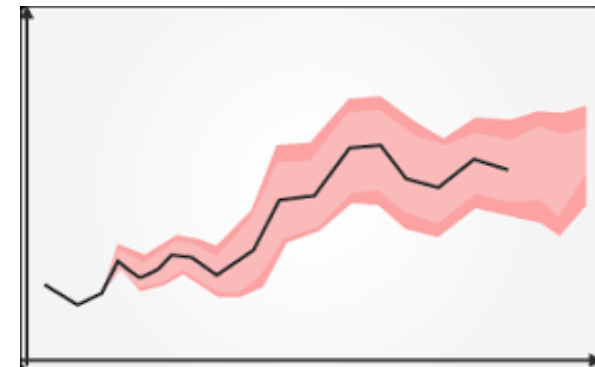
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- **Advanced Grid Codes** with RfG to obtain adequate responses from all generation units to grid disturbances [Project: Madeira Grid Code](#)
- **Security of Supply** will become a critical issue to assess → Utilization of chronological Monte Carlo Simulation tools capable to include the stochastic behavior of RES and flexibilities



MORA project: REN  
VEARREN203 project: DGEG

- **Better forecasting tools** (RES and load) → ML/AI  
[EU Projects Anemos Plus & Smart4RES](#)



- **On-line dynamic security assessment**, using namely ML/AI techniques by exploiting functional knowledge



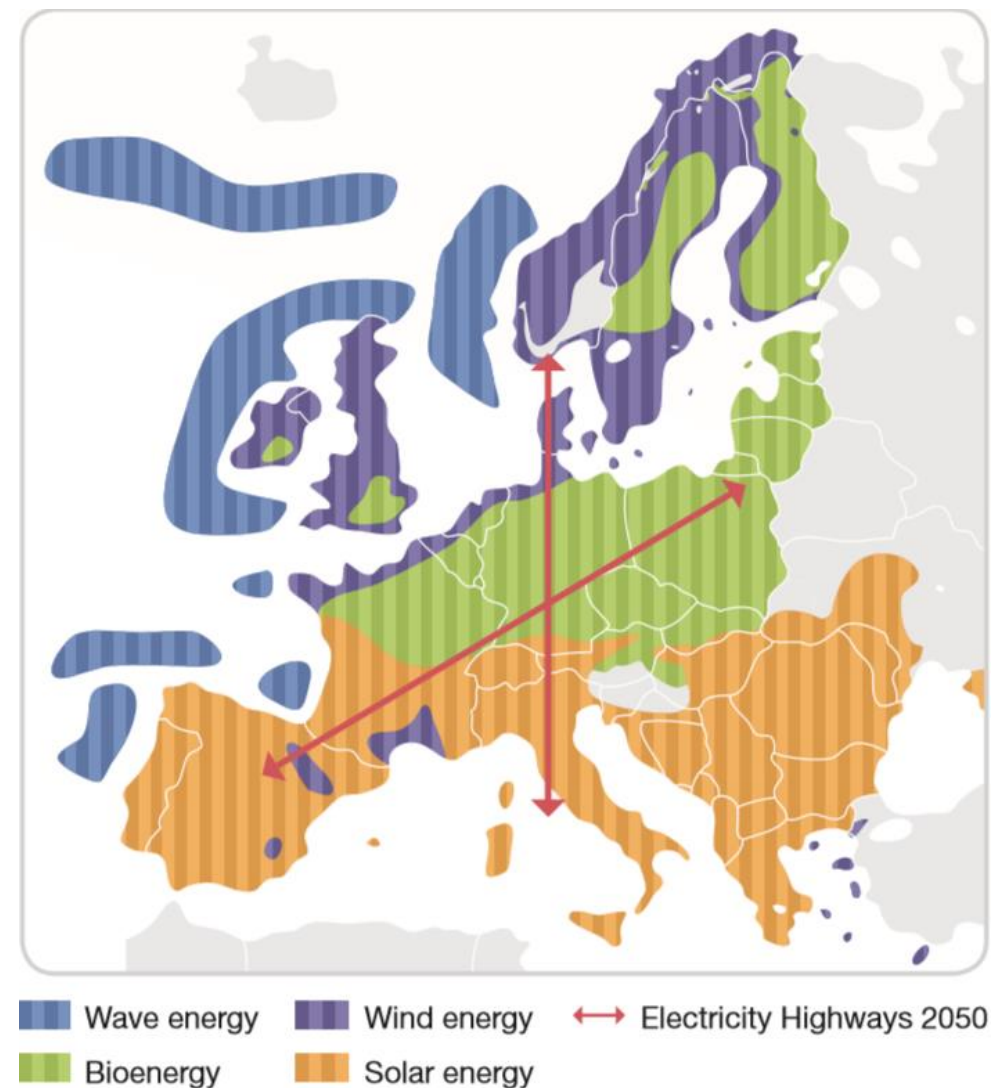


# How to plan and manage a system with almost 100% RES penetration

A **Trans-European electricity grid** is required in order to facilitate the future transport of wind energy from the North Sea and solar power from south of Europe / north Africa or biomass electricity from Russia, for example, to consumption centers via electricity highways.

**HVDC is the enabling technology:**

- Power flow in a DC transmission line can be precisely controlled
- It can contribute to stabilize the backbone of the system, thus improving grid resilience
- DC is the only option for the underground and underwater transmission of power over distances of more than about 50 kilometers



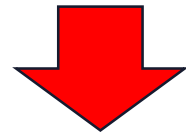


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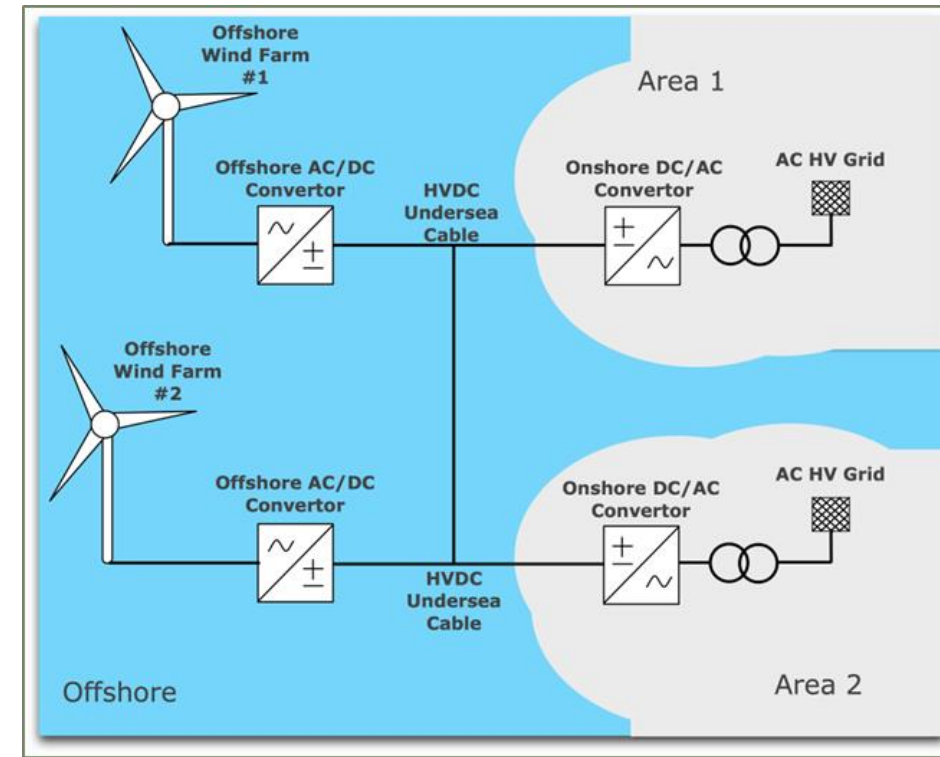
## Harvesting off-shore wind power in the ocean

### Multi-port off shore HVDC grids:

- VSC converters
- No inertia system → Problem



- Allowing control of power flows
- Providing primary frequency control
- Participating in damping of small oscillations
- Fault ride through capability
- Emulation of inertia

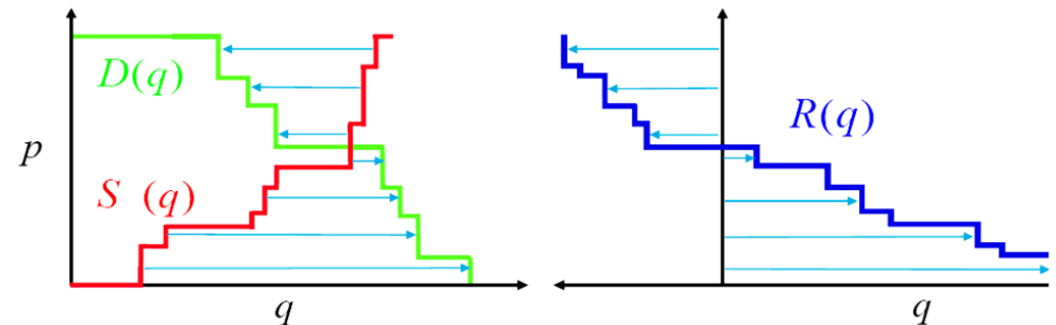




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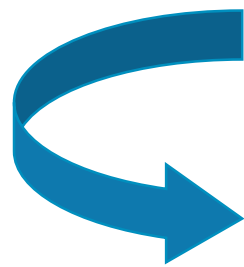
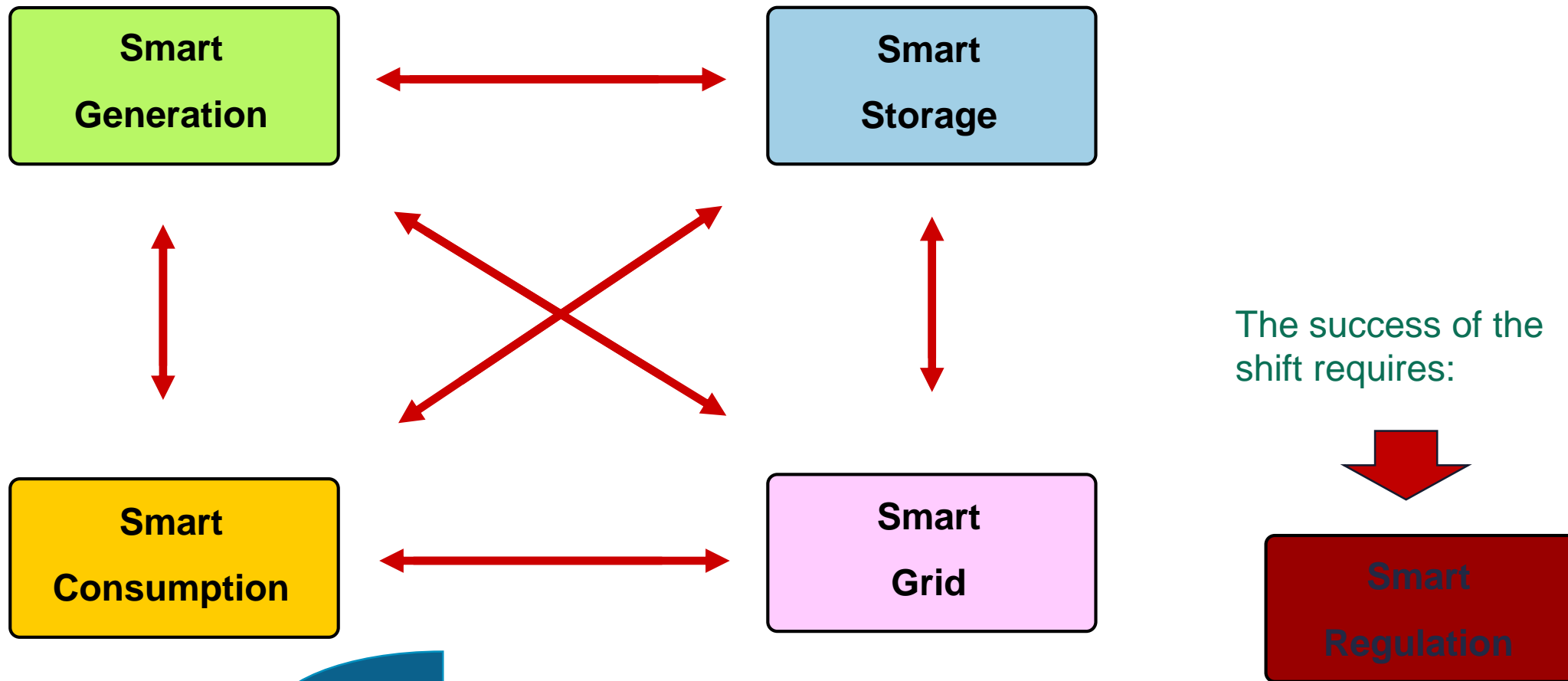
- Redesign of the electricity market structure:

- Do marginal markets still make sense?
- **Capacity Markets**
- **New ancillary services markets**
  - Primary reserve markets
  - Secondary and Tertiary reserve markets
  - Flexibility Markets?
  - Fast response reserve markets
  - Inertia markets
- Local markets
- Carbon markets (carbon price)

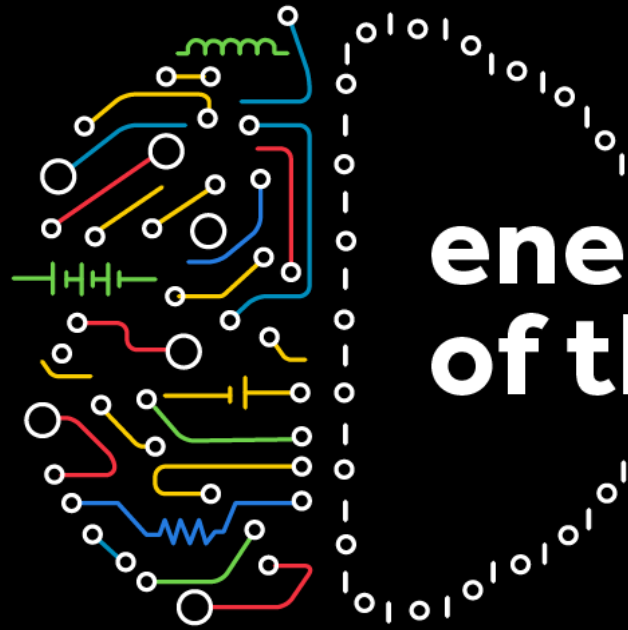


- Address also **local trading using block chain via peer to peer platforms** to allow consumer, producers and prosumers to trade electricity with their neighbors within **energy communities**

# Conclusions: Smart Players will be vital for the success of the energy transition



Distribution system operators need to manage **Flexibility** from consumers, DG and network (including new ancillary services)



# energy systems of the future

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