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Solving European  
Electricity System  
Optimization  
problems using the  
latest Modelling and  
Optimisation  
methods advances

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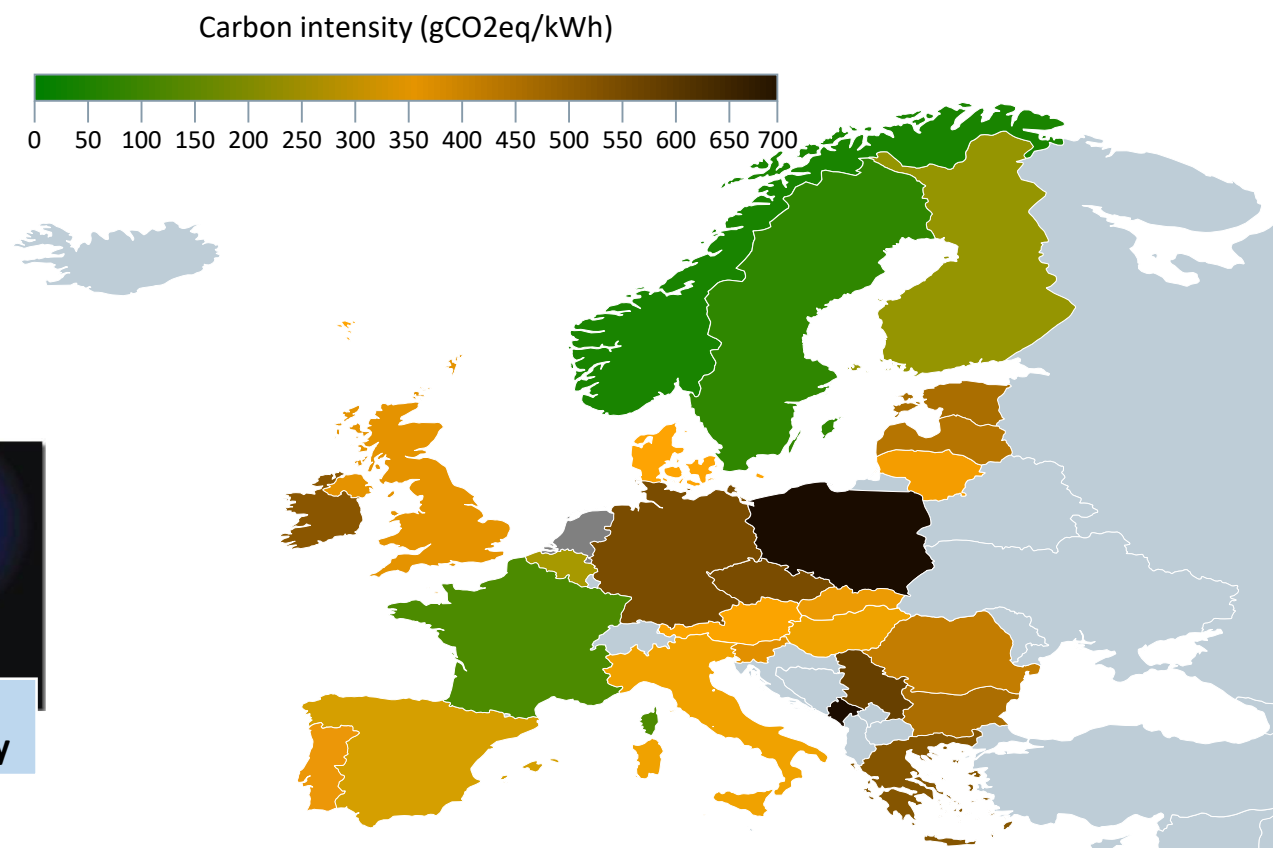
# The electricity system: context and challenges

# The European Energy Transition

**2050 EU's carbon reduction targets  $\Rightarrow$  High share of Renewable Energy**

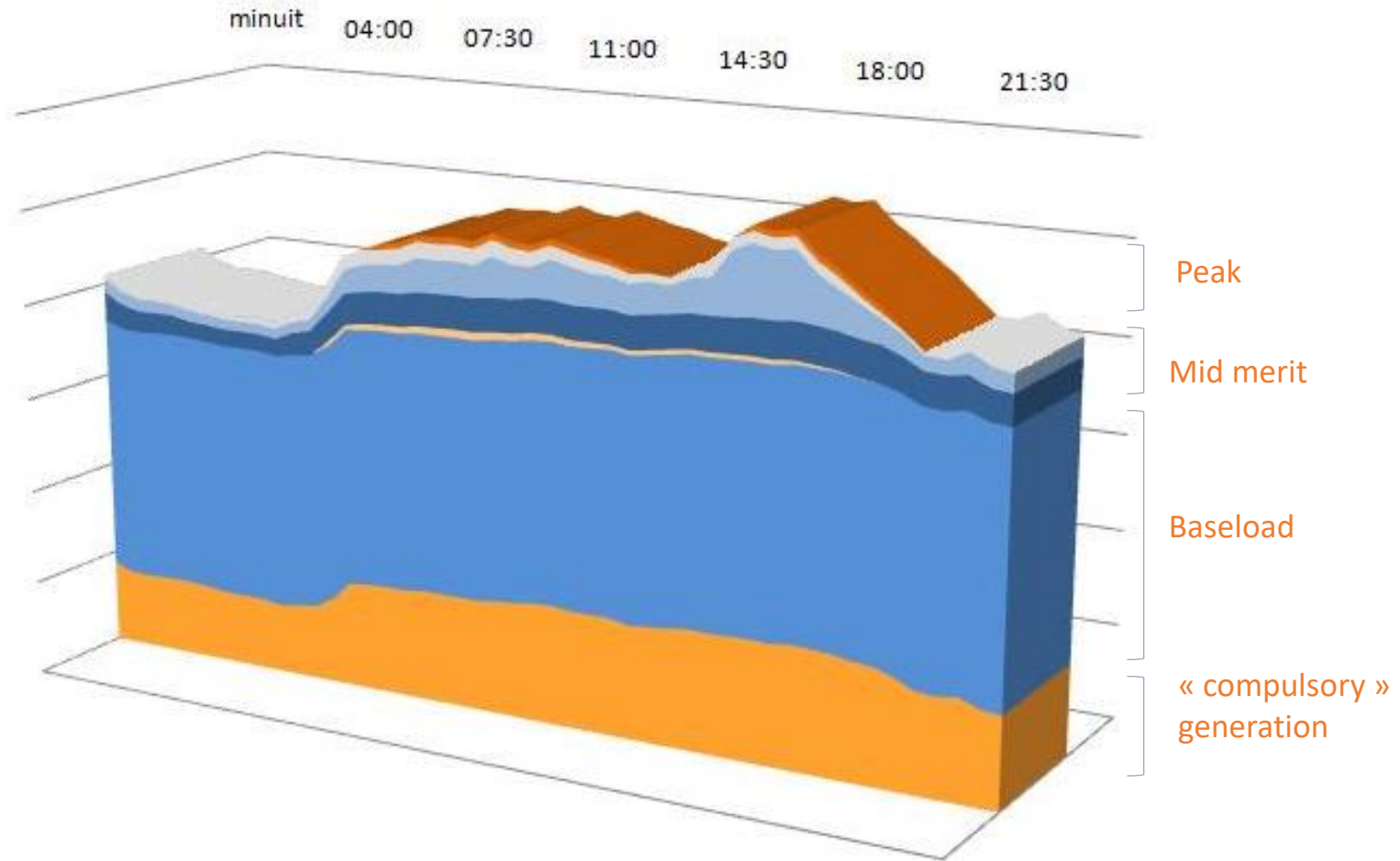
Criteria for the European Energy System in 2050:

- ✓ **Sustainability**
- ✓ **Security of supply**
- ✓ **Competitiveness**

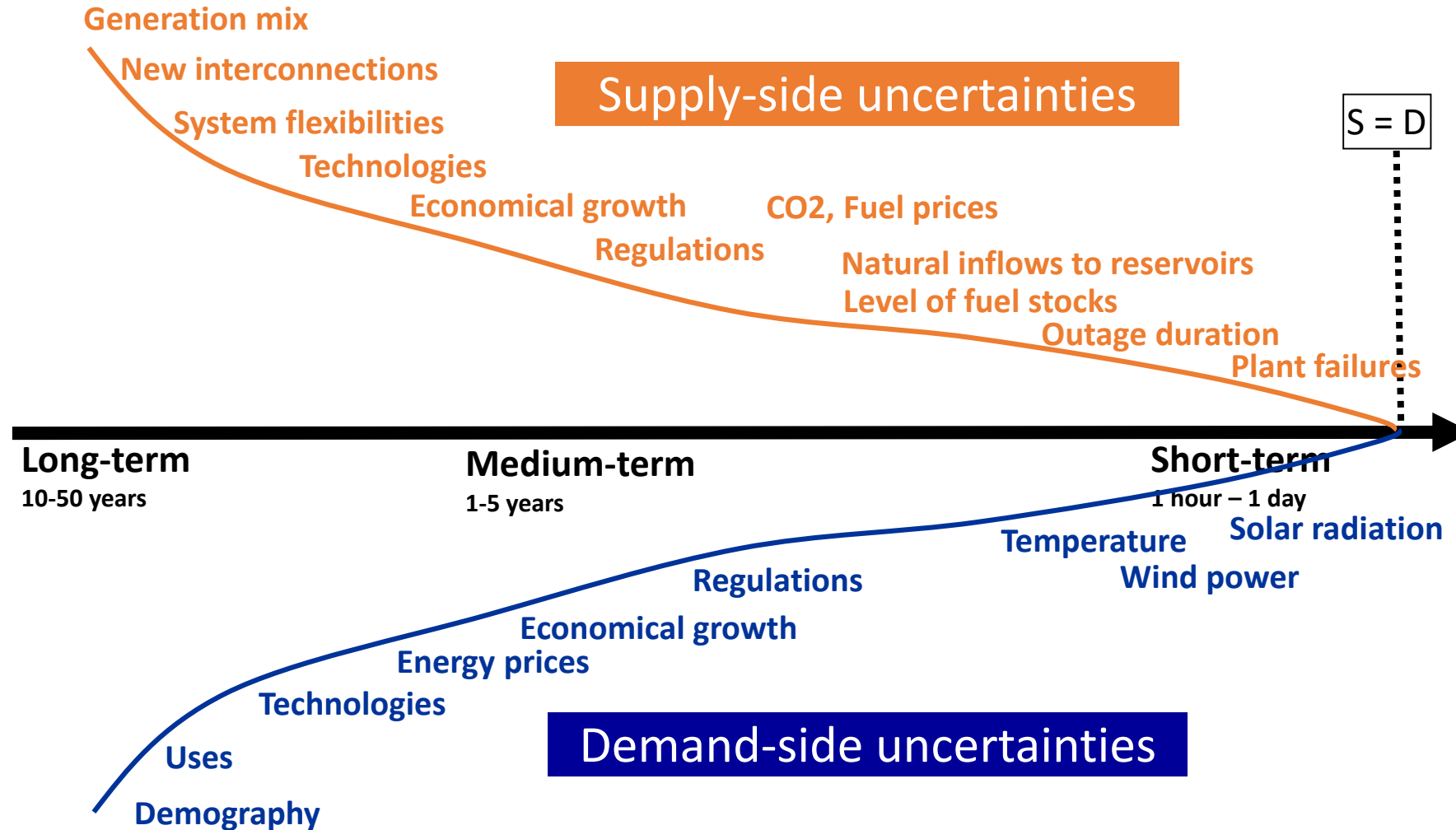


# Scheduling of electricity: supply-demand balance

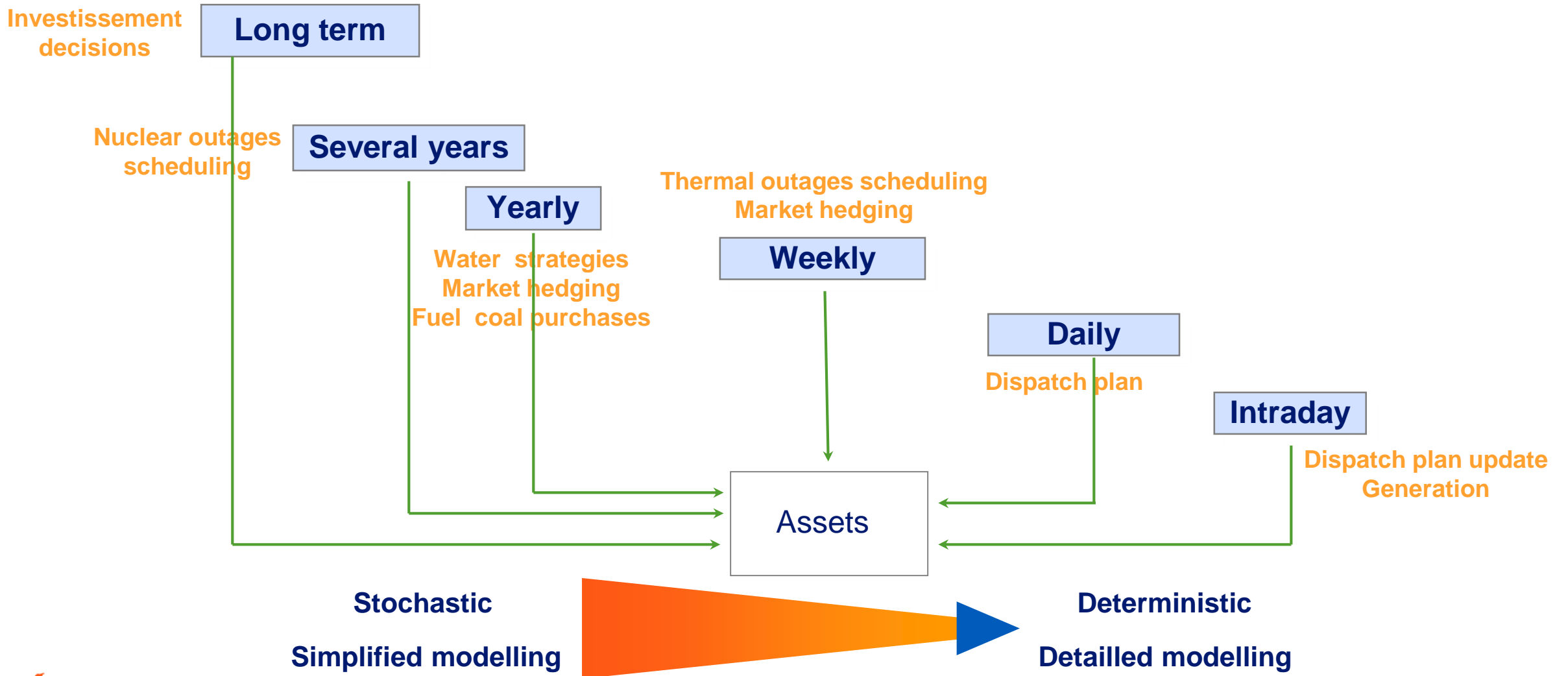
Increasing variable  
costs €/MWh



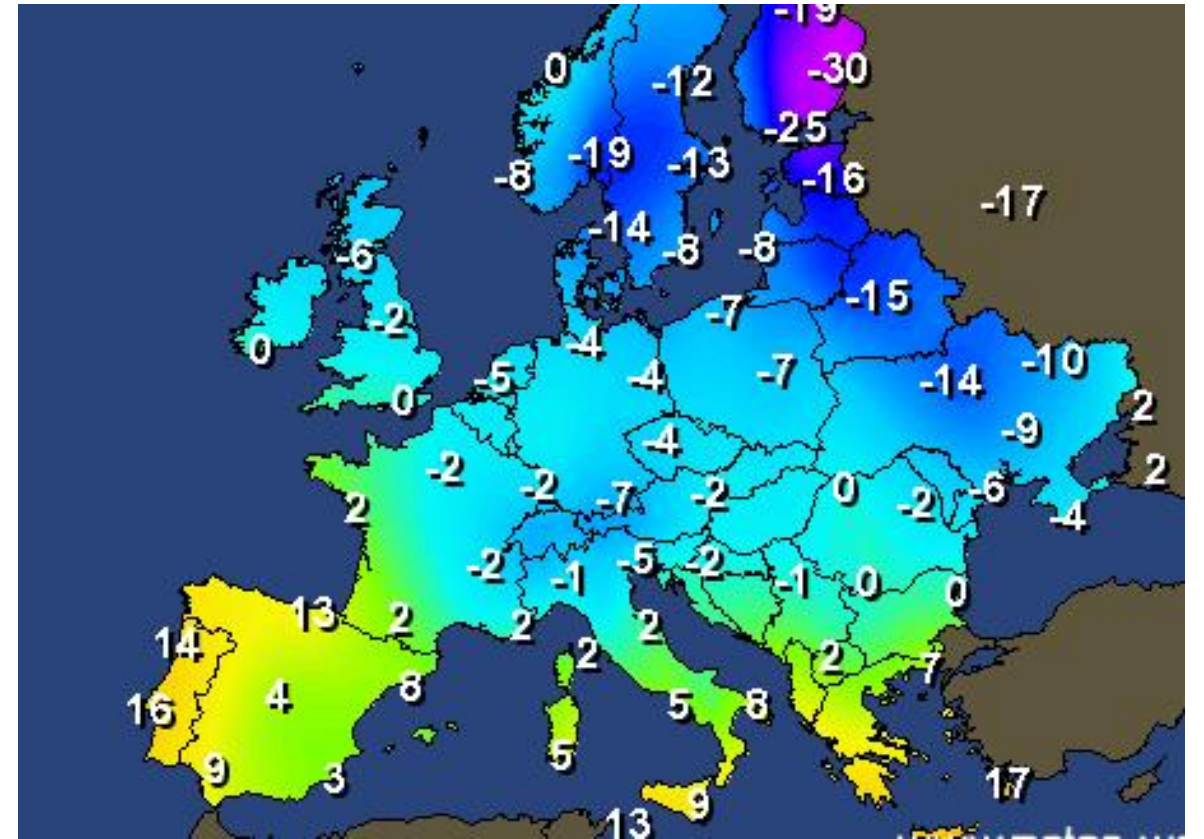
# From long to very short term



# The management process



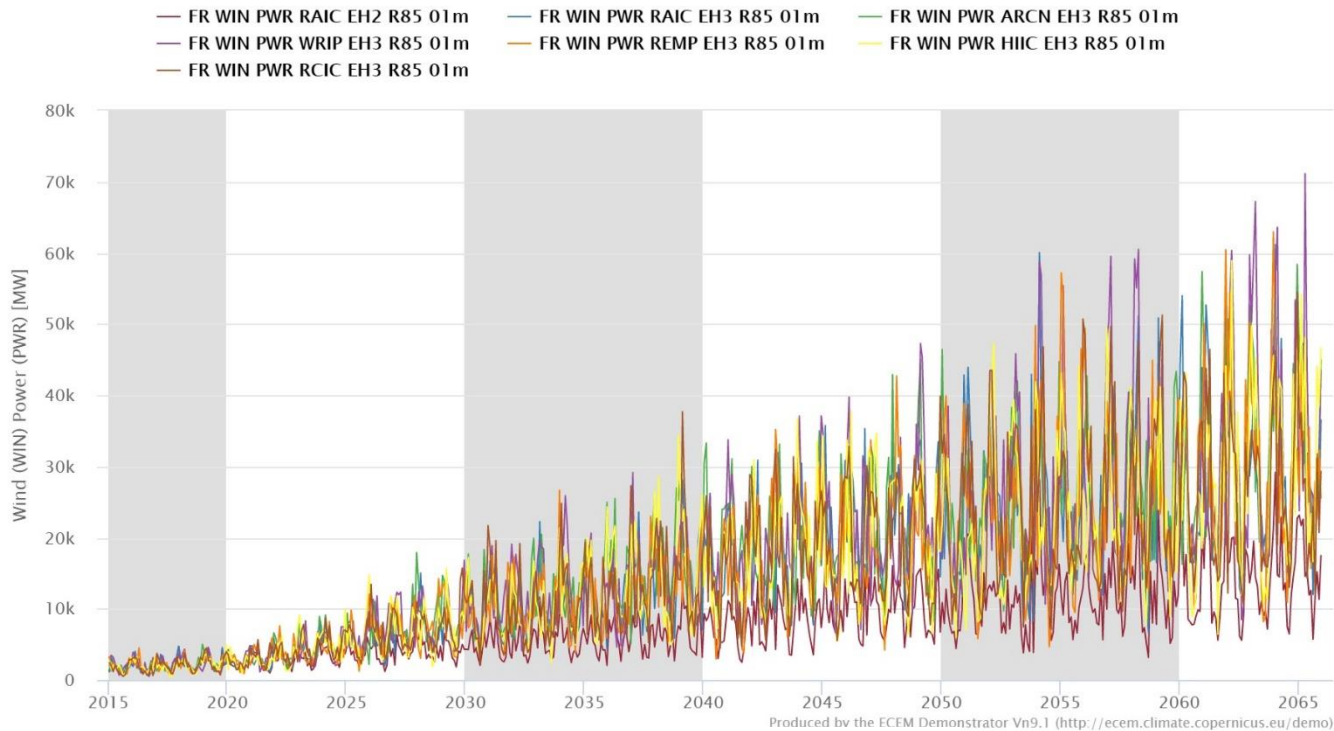
# A highly interconnected system



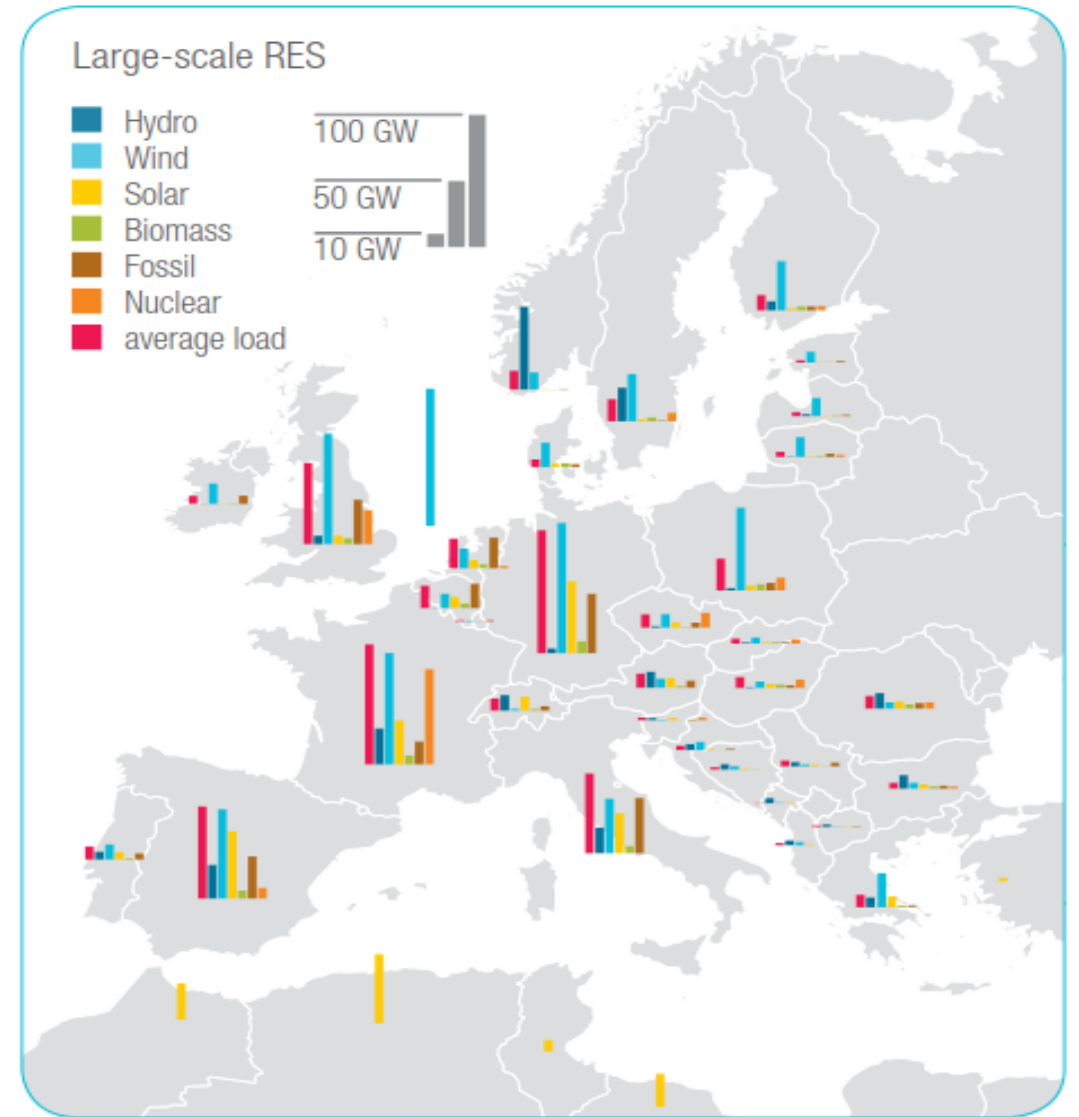
**Significant and increasing interconnections**  
**Demands and RES generations (partially) correlated at European level**

# With and increasing level of uncertainties

ECEM Timeseries: Wind (WIN) Power (PWR)



Source: C3S Energy/ECEM demonstrator



Source: eHighway2050

# An increased Need for flexibility

Uncertainties  
+ Security of  
supply



Need for  
More  
flexibility



## ***Need for Integrated simulation models:***

- Detailed (as much as possible) representation of all flexible assets and network
- Including uncertainties



Detailed  
Modelling of complex  
and big size problems



Need for enhanced  
solving methods

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# Modelling and solving

# The plan4res project



plan4res: Synergistic approach of Multi-Energy Models  
for a European Optimal Energy System Management  
Tool



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# The plan4res project



**Implement models and tools that provide  
an integrated energy system representation able to  
optimize and simulate expansion and operation with a  
high share of Renewable Energy**

**For contributing to European targets for reduction of emissions while  
maintaining high quality of supply at lowest cost**

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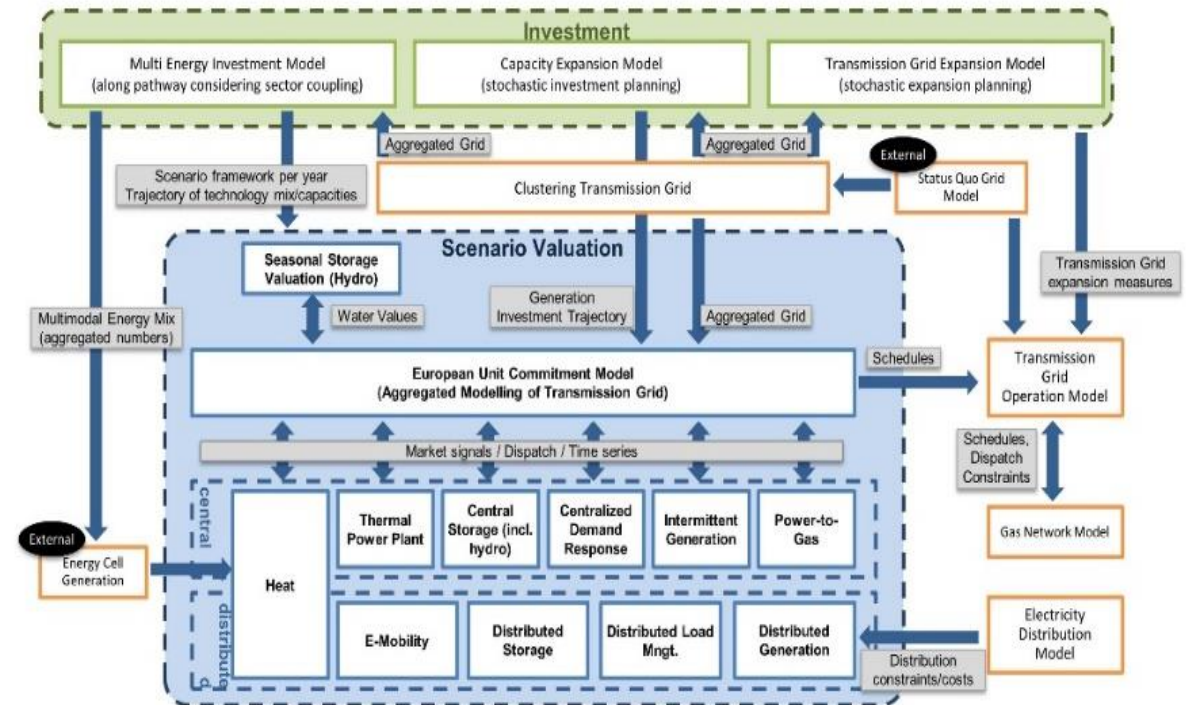


# Integrated modelling of the electricity system



An end-to-end planning and operation tool, composed of a set of optimization models based on an integrated modelling of the pan-European Energy System

- **Investment layer:** Determine investment decisions
- **Scenario valuation:** Evaluate investment decisions/operational planning
- **Analysis/additional tools:** Impact of scenario on electricity & gas grid



# Capacity Expansion

**Design the optimal generation, transmission and distribution mix for a given long-term horizon (eg. 2050)**

$$\min_{\kappa} \left\{ C^{inv}(\kappa) + \max_{\eta \in Y} C^{op}(\kappa, \eta) \right\}$$

$\kappa$ : Investment decisions (generation assets, transmission)

$Y$ : Set of uncertainty scenarios

$C^{inv}$ : Costs induced by installing capacity  $\kappa$

$C^{op}$ : Expected operational costs with given capacity  $\kappa$

# Seasonal Storage Valuation

Compute strategies for managing seasonal storage on a mid-term horizon (eg 1 year)

$$C^{op}(\kappa) = \min_{x \in \mathcal{M}} \mathbb{E} \left[ \sum_{s \in S} C_s(x_s) \right]$$

$C^{op}(\kappa)$ : Operational costs depending on investment decisions  $\kappa$

$C_s$  : Operational costs on sub-period  $s$

$\mathcal{M}$ : Feasible set associated with operation decisions

$S$ : Set of sub-periods (e.g. weeks)

$x$ : Operation decisions on sub-period  $s$

$\kappa$ : Investment decisions taken by capacity expansion model

# Unit Commitment

Compute dispatch for all assets on a short-term horizon  
(eg. 1 week)

$$\min \sum_i C_i^{op}(p_{t,i}, p_{t,i}^{pr}, p_{t,i}^{sc}, p_{t,i}^{he}) + \alpha(v^{hy})$$

$C_i^{op}$ : Operational costs of unit  $i$  subject to it's operational variables

$p_{t,i}, p_{t,i}^{pr}, p_{t,i}^{sc}, p_{t,i}^{he}$ : Provision of power, primary/secondary reserve, heat by unit  $i$  in timestep  $t$  and dynamic constraints

$\alpha$ : Approximation of the value of seasonal storages

$v^{hy}$ : Storage level

# Submodels

## ❑ Power plants

- Operational decision of power plants based on their specific fuel costs
- Technical constraints (ramping, min up-/downtimes,...)

## ❑ Storages

- Hydro storages including complex cascaded systems
- Battery storages

## ❑ Intermittent generation

- Generation of wind, solar, run of river based on meteorological profiles

## ❑ E-mobility

- Storage capability of electric vehicles (vehicle-to-grid, power-to-vehicle)
- Limitation of storage availability by driving profiles

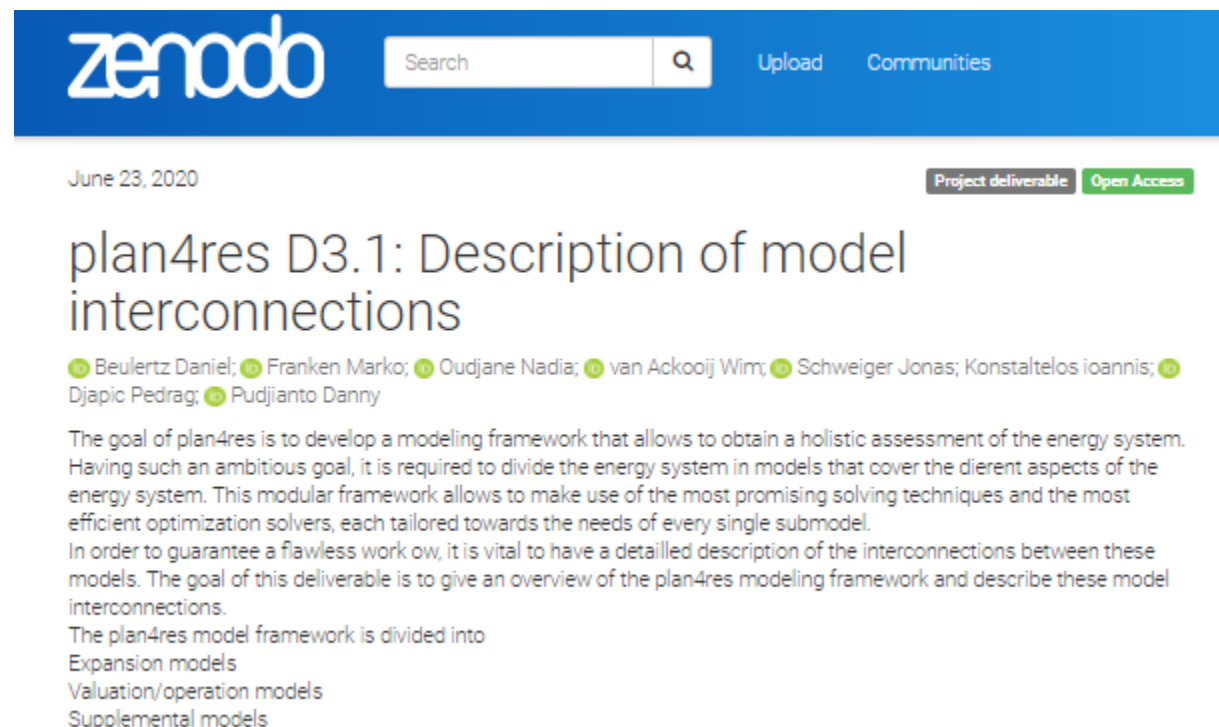
## ❑ Load management

- Load shifting of a given energy consumption during a sub-period
- Load curtailment based on a given potential (e.g. during one year)

# Detailed modelling

**Detailed equations are available on:**

<https://zenodo.org/record/3904272#.YD3yFmhKjIU>



The screenshot shows the Zenodo website interface. At the top is a blue header with the 'zenodo' logo, a search bar, and links for 'Upload' and 'Communities'. Below the header, the page title is 'plan4res D3.1: Description of model interconnections', dated 'June 23, 2020'. To the right of the title are two buttons: 'Project deliverable' and 'Open Access'. Below the title is a list of authors: Beulertz Daniel, Franken Marko, Oudjane Nadia, van Ackooij Wim, Schweiger Jonas, Konstaltelos ioannis, Djapic Pedrag, and Pudjianto Danny. The main text describes the goal of the plan4res project, which is to develop a modeling framework for a holistic assessment of the energy system. It mentions that the framework is modular and uses efficient optimization solvers. The text also states that the goal of this deliverable is to provide an overview of the plan4res modeling framework and describe the model interconnections. Finally, it lists the components of the plan4res model framework: Expansion models, Valuation/operation models, and Supplemental models.

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## plan4res D3.1: Description of model interconnections

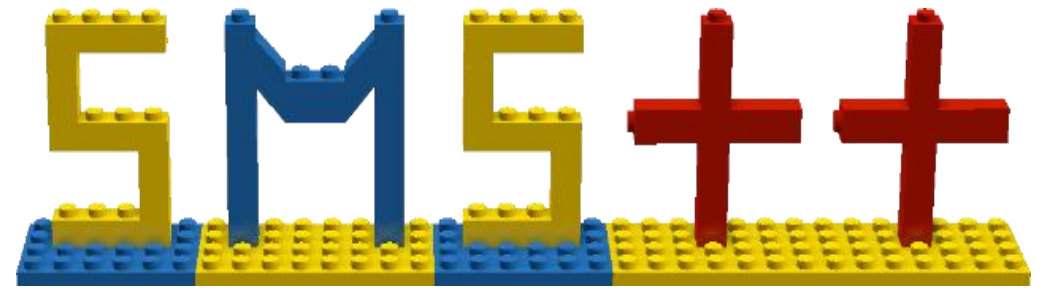
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The goal of plan4res is to develop a modeling framework that allows to obtain a holistic assessment of the energy system. Having such an ambitious goal, it is required to divide the energy system in models that cover the different aspects of the energy system. This modular framework allows to make use of the most promising solving techniques and the most efficient optimization solvers, each tailored towards the needs of every single submodel. In order to guarantee a flawless workflow, it is vital to have a detailed description of the interconnections between these models. The goal of this deliverable is to give an overview of the plan4res modeling framework and describe these model interconnections.

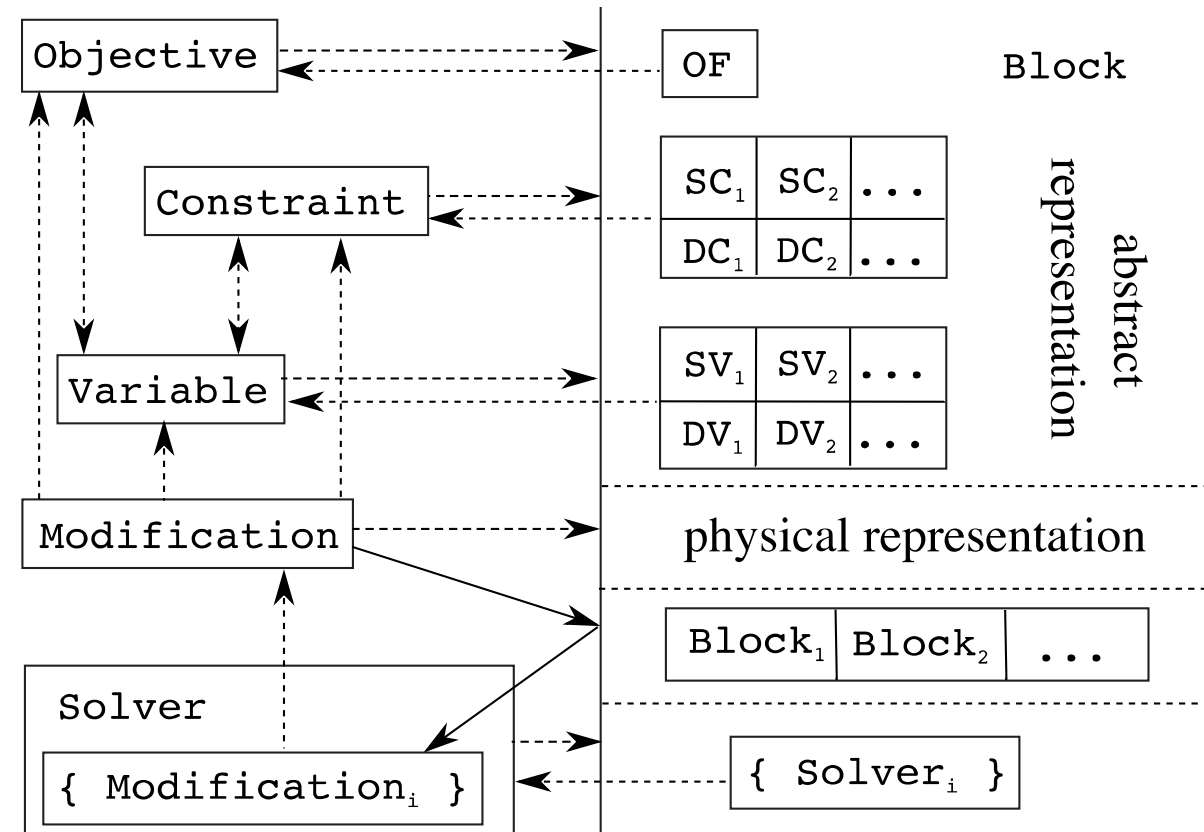
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# Modelling with SMS++



- ❑ **SMS++ is a set of C++ classes implementing a modelling system that:**
- ❑ allows exploiting specialised solvers
- ❑ manages all types of dynamic changes in the model
- ❑ Explicitly handles reformulation/restriction/relaxation
- ❑ does parallel from the start
- ❑ should be able to deal with almost anything (bilevel, PDE,...)
- ❑ ***Includes specialized blocks for energy system modelling***

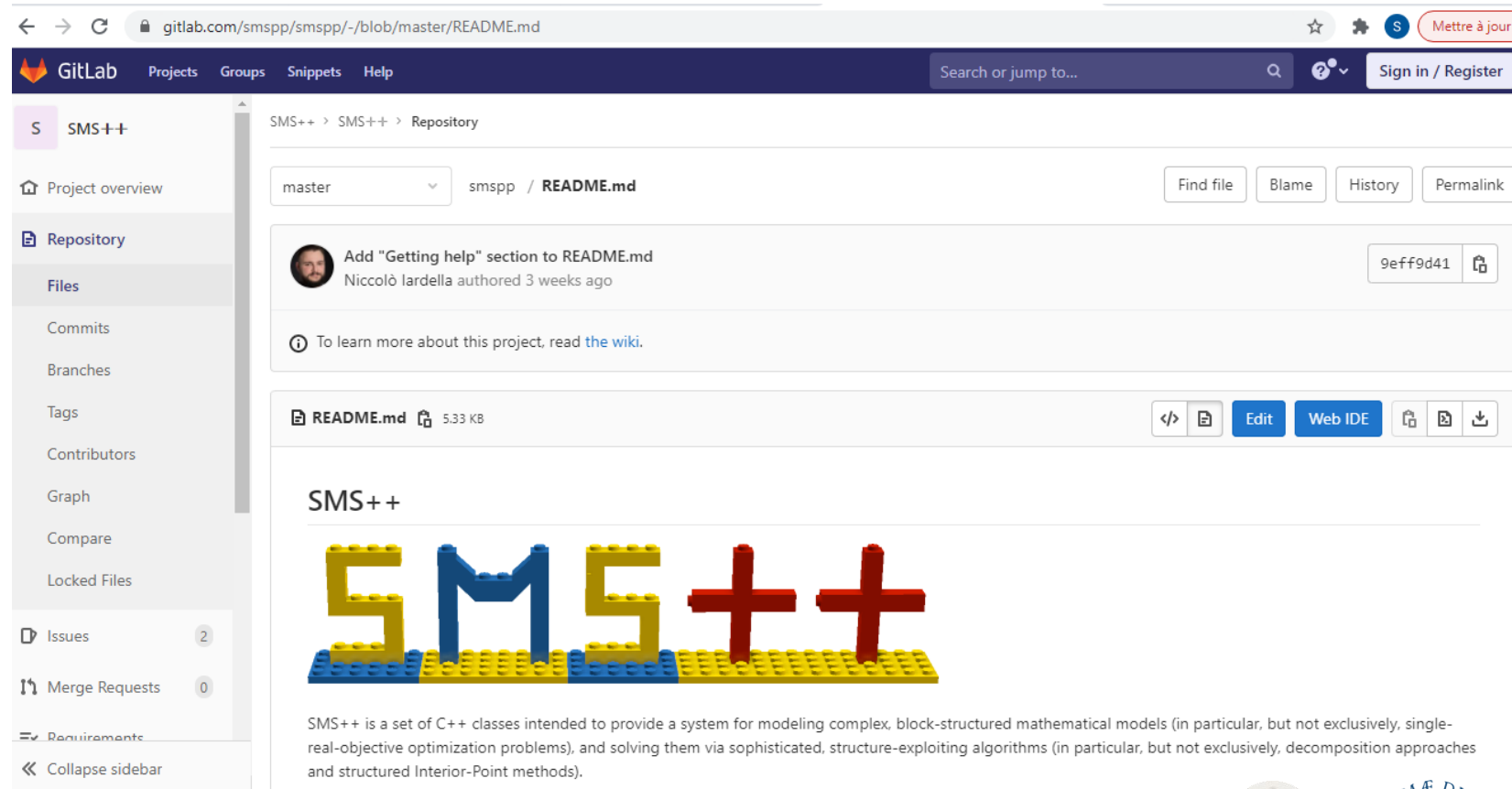
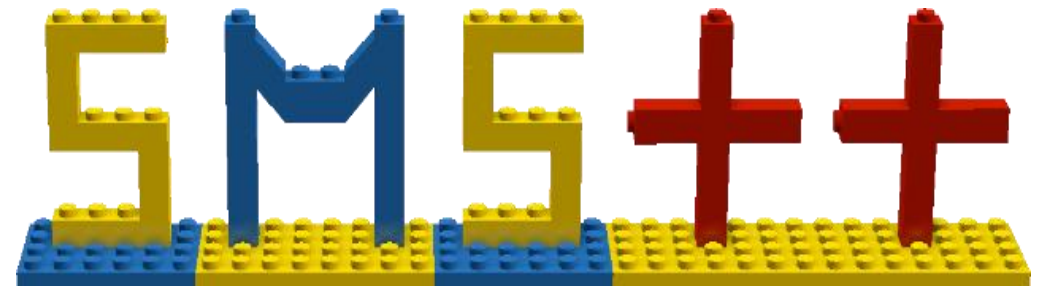


# Modelling with SMS++

**SMS++ is available on**

**<https://gitlab.com/smspp>**

**Listen for a full SMS++ presentation at 'ESR Days', Thursday 11'30, by Antonio Frangioni**

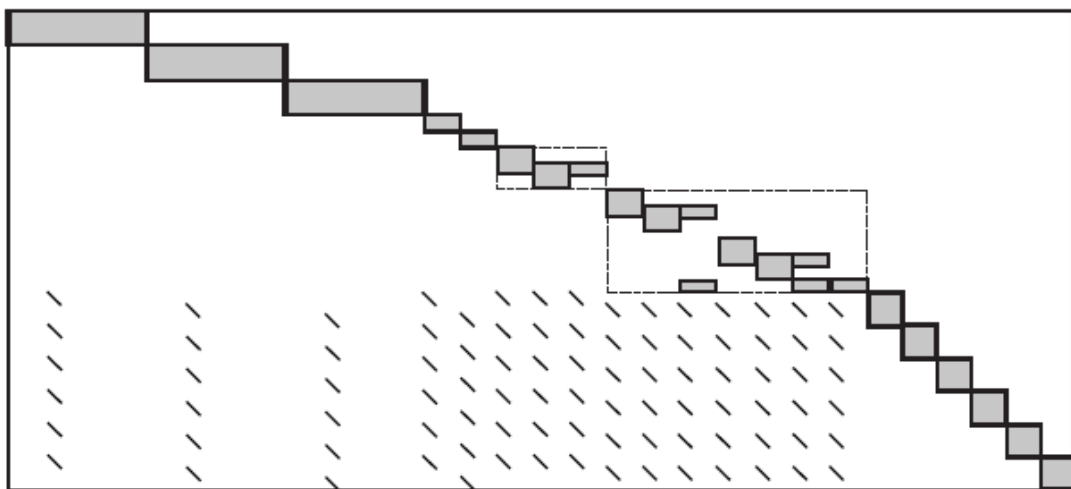


# Modelling with SMS++



## Nested decompositions at different time horizons

- Schedule a set of generating units to satisfy the demand at each node of the transmission network at each time instant of the horizon (24h)

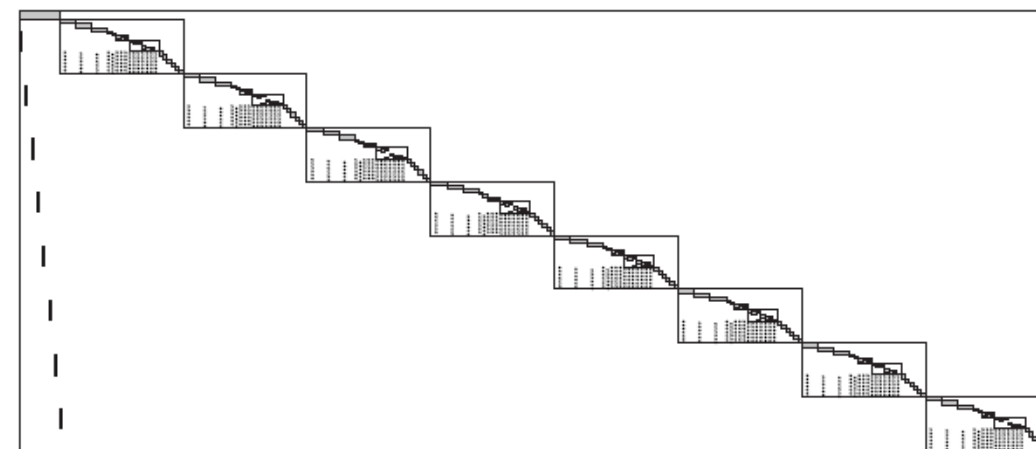


- Several types of almost independent blocks + linking constraints
- Perfect structure for Lagrangian relaxation<sup>1,2</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Borghetti, F., Lacalandra, Nucci "Lagrangian Heuristics Based on Disaggregated Bundle Methods [...]", *IEEE TPWRS*, 2003

<sup>2</sup> Scuzziato, Finardi, F. "Comparing Spatial and Scenario Decomposition for Stochastic [...]" *IEEE Trans. Sust. En.*, 2018

- Manage water levels in reservoirs considering uncertainties (inflows, temperatures, demands, ...) to minimize costs over the time horizon

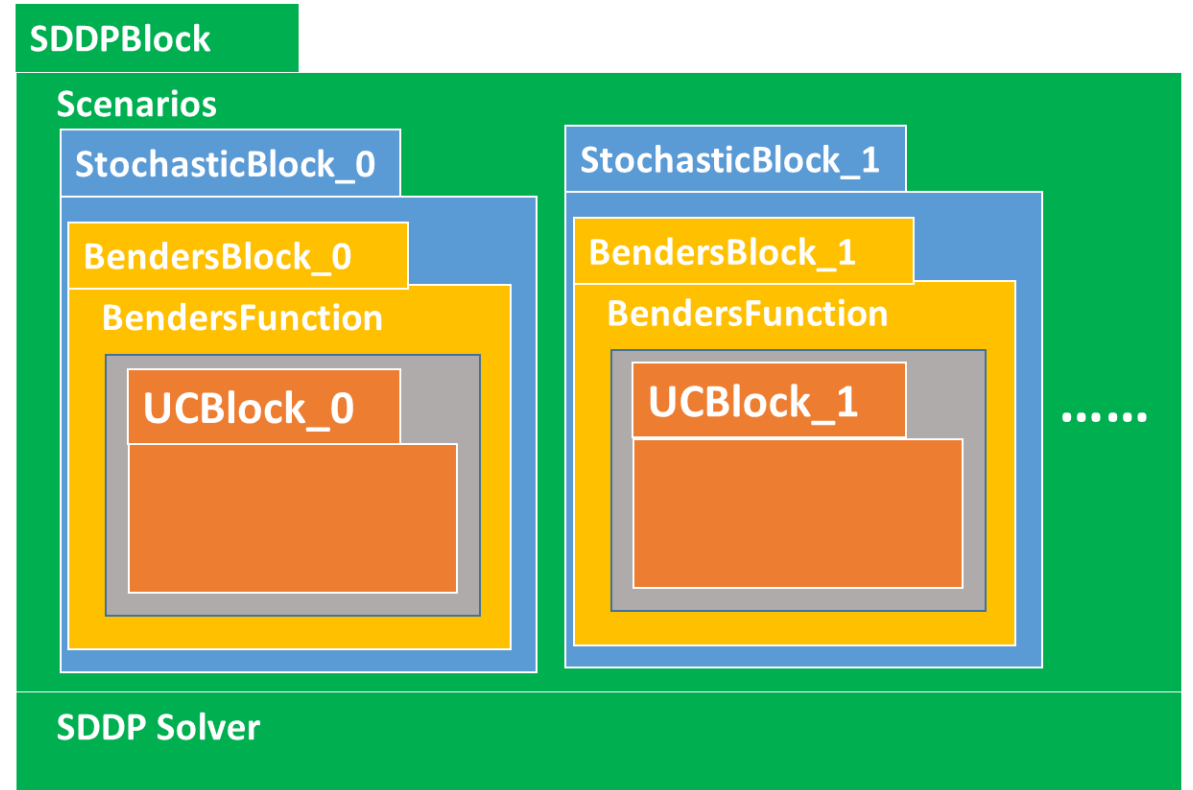
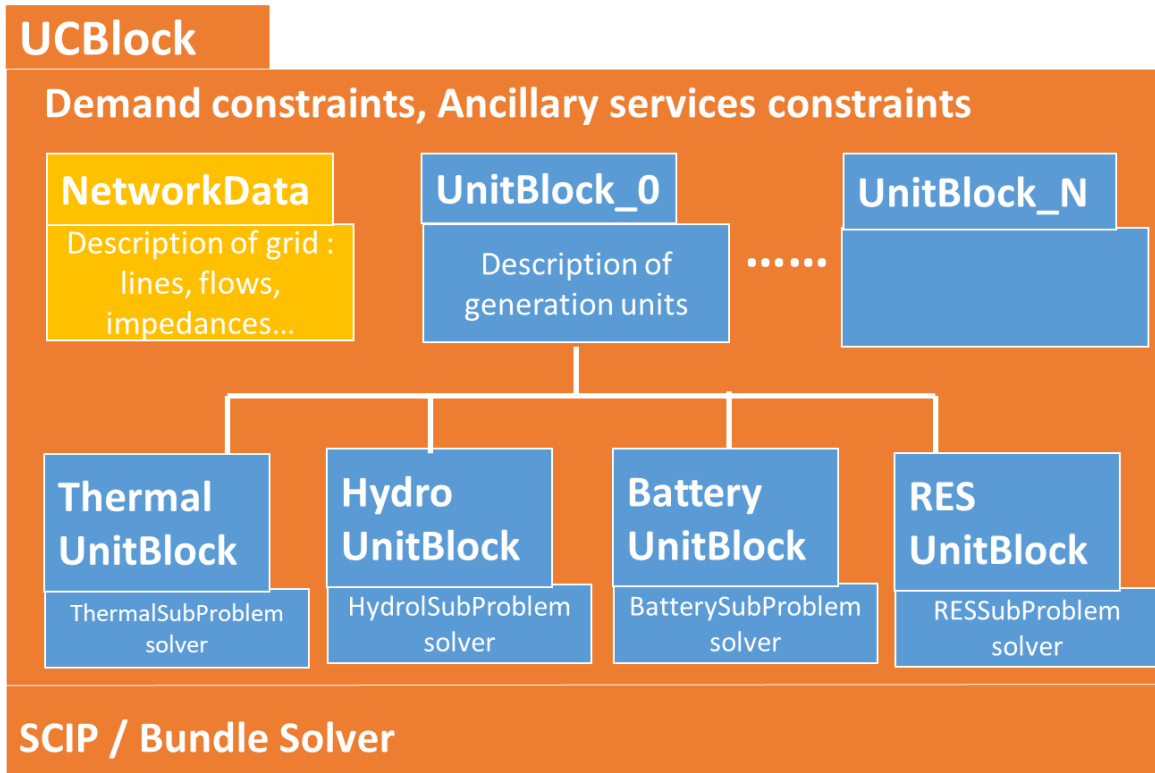


- Very large size, nested structure
- Perfect structure for Stochastic Dual Dynamic Programming<sup>3,4</sup> with multiple EUC inside

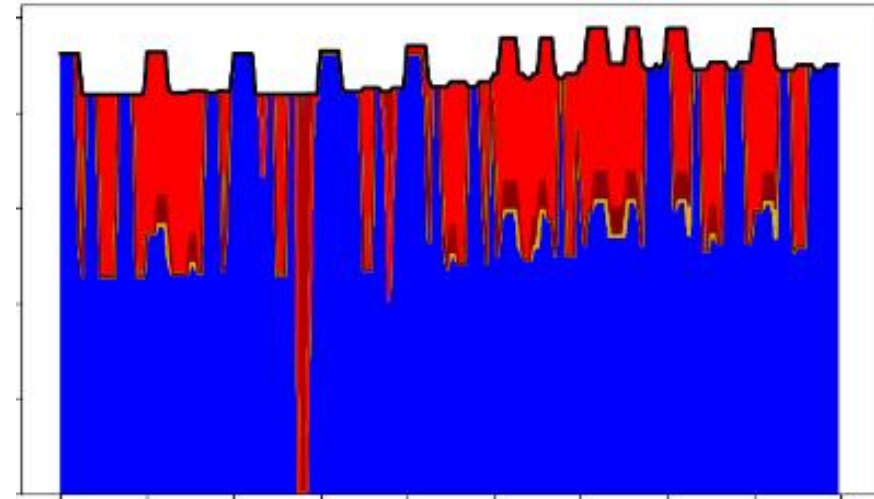
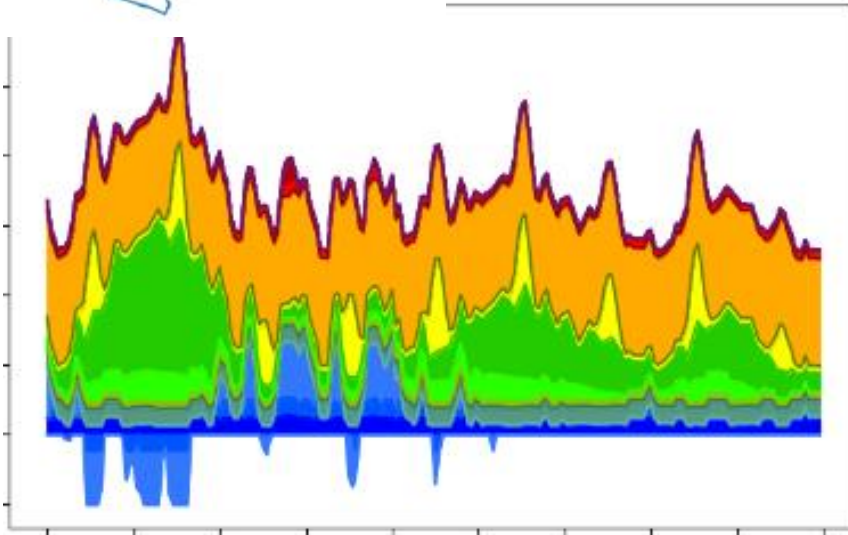
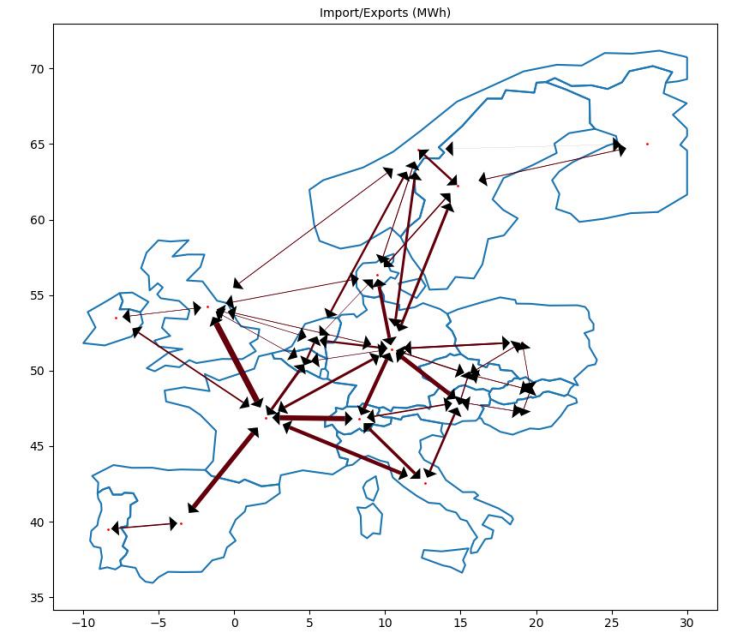
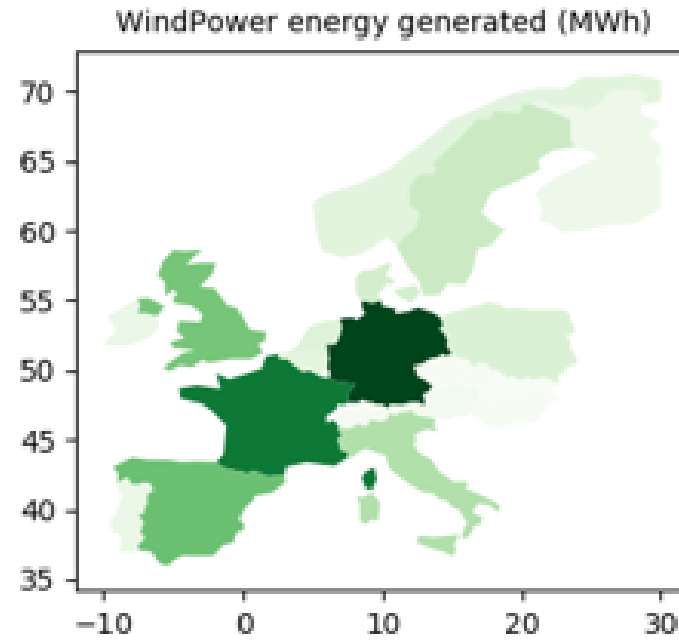
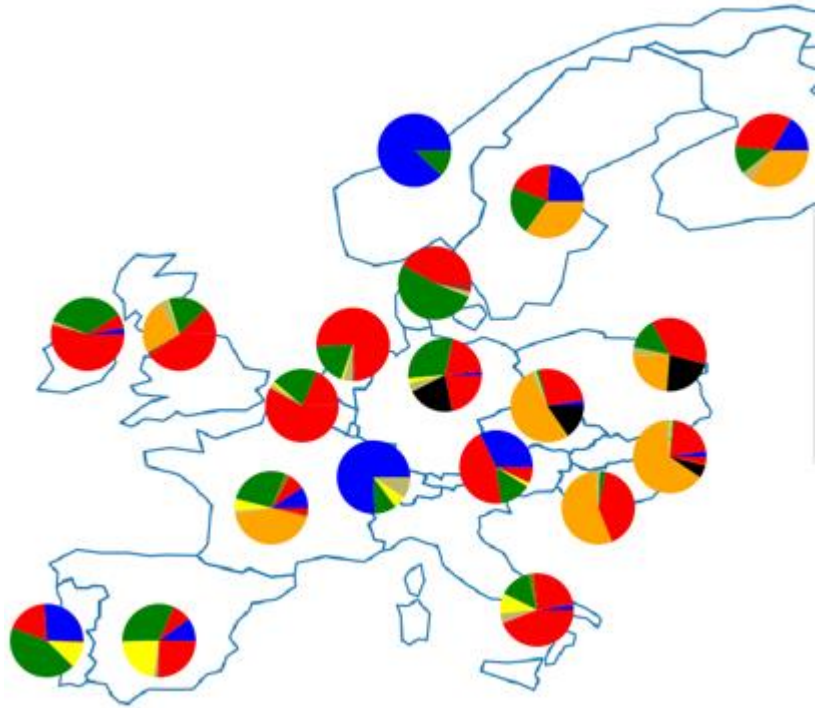
<sup>3</sup> Pereira, Pinto "Multi-stage stochastic optimization applied to energy planning" *Math. Prog.*, 1991

<sup>4</sup> van-Ackooij, Warin "On conditional cuts for Stochastic Dual Dynamic Programming" arXiv:1704.06205, 2017

# The Seasonal Storage Valuation and Unit Commitment in SMS++



# Examples of Results



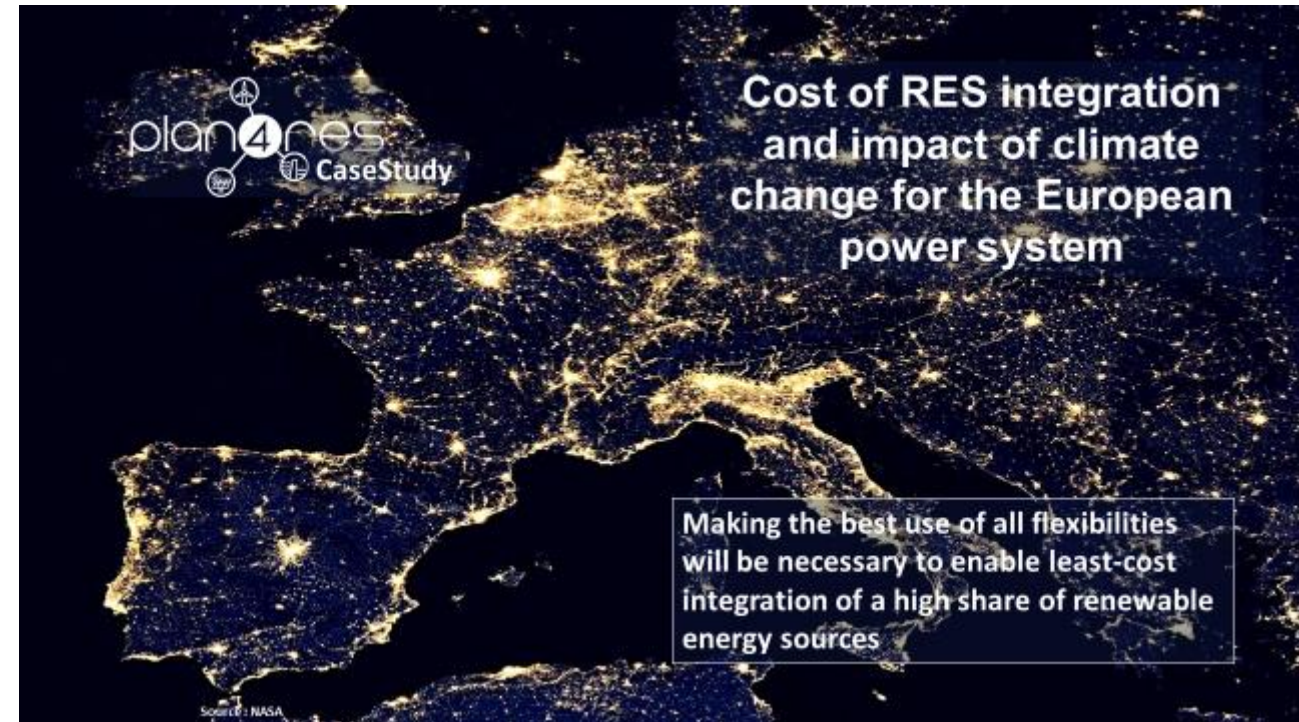
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## Perspectives

# Use Cases



- ❑ **What Impact do different levels of RES integration have on system costs?**
  - Electricity generation cost
  - Cost to ensure the dynamic robustness of the system (Reserves, Inertia)
- ❑ **What is the value of flexibility?**  
(system cost reduction coming from using flexibility potentials of different system assets)
  - RES can be represented as non-flexible, i.e. all generation is 'fatal' or we can account for their ability to be curtailed or can contribute to ancillary services
  - Flexibilities from storages and additional storages can be represented
  - Different demand response flexibilities can be modelled

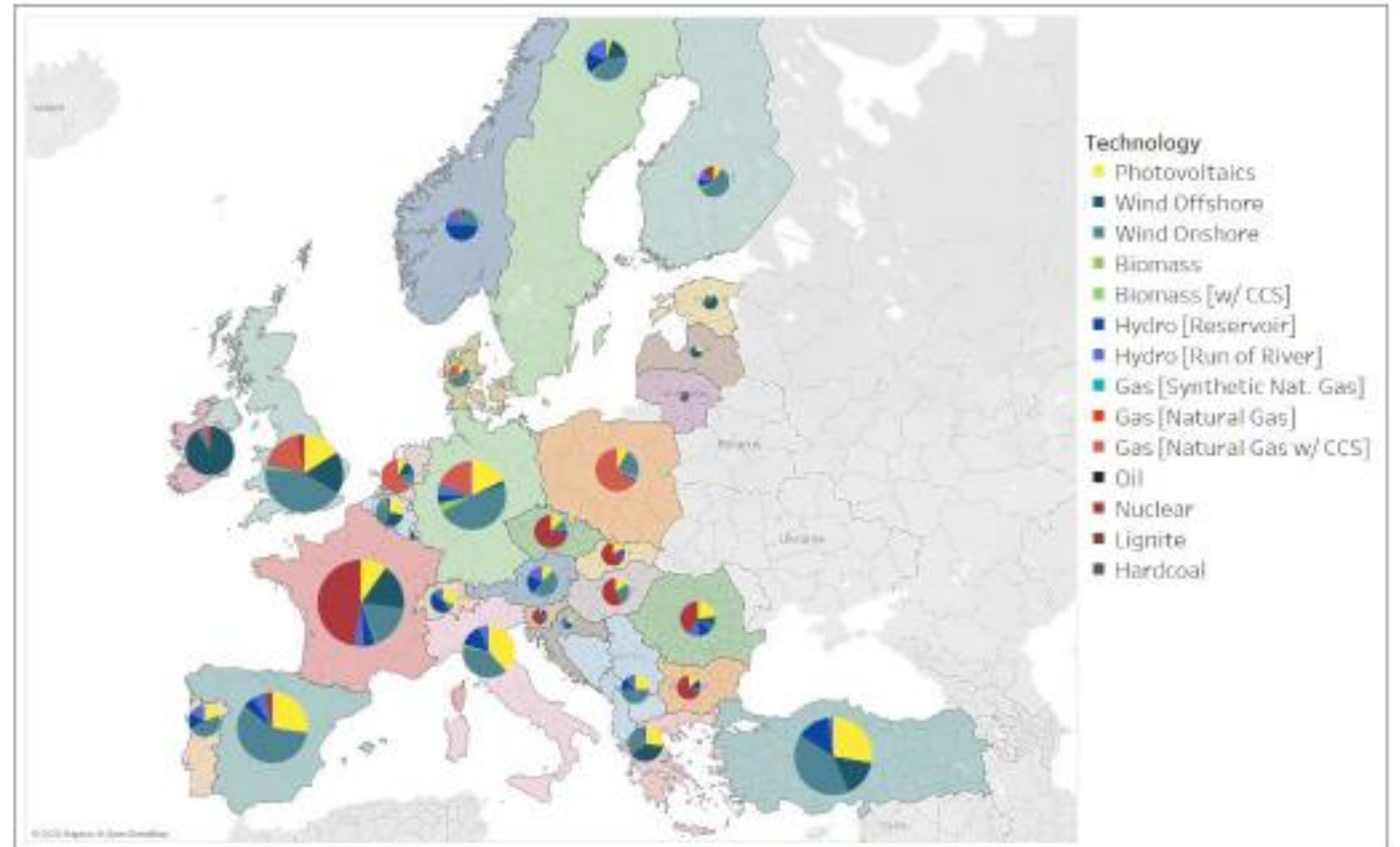


# Use Cases

## □ Assessment of the feasibility and cost of a long-term scenario

openENTRANCE scenarios 2025-2050

<file:///C:/Users/F04340/Downloads/openENTRANCE-D3.13.pdf>



# Use Cases

## ❑ Case Studies in openENTRANCE

### Demand response – behaviour of individuals

Exploits recent real-life data on households' demand-response capabilities from field-tests across the EU to assess accurate response potentials and their impacts on the European power system.

### Need of flexibility – sector coupling

Focus on transport sector coupling technologies such as electric vehicles and electric overhead-line trucks. It aims to assess how associated flexibility potentials can be tapped when local information and regional (distribution) network constraints are included in the analysis.

### Decentralisation

Comparison of different levels of European/national coordination aimed at facilitating the integration of local/regional decentralisation.

❑ See more : [www.openentrance.eu](http://www.openentrance.eu)

# Further potential uses

- ❑ Short-term generation management (including detailed hydro)
- ❑ Other energy related problems



# Thanks



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