The background of the slide is a photograph of a wide river, likely the Danube, with a forested shoreline in the distance. Several high-voltage power lines and their pylons stretch across the sky, which is a clear, pale blue. The text is overlaid on the lower half of the image.

The role of renewable energy in the energy network system of the Danube Region

Dr. Tamás János KATONA

Vision or technological determinism

Rifkin's hypothesis : *The great economic revolutions in history occur when new communication technologies converge with new energy systems.*

Today, **Internet technology** and **renewable energies** are beginning to merge to create a new industrial infrastructure for a **Third Industrial Revolution** that will change the way power is distributed in the 21st century.

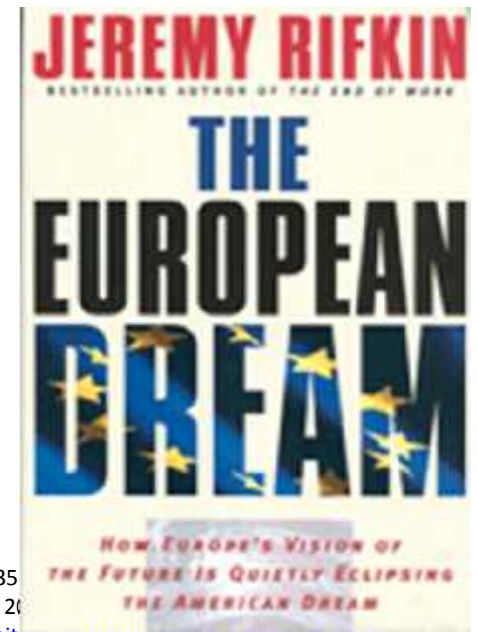
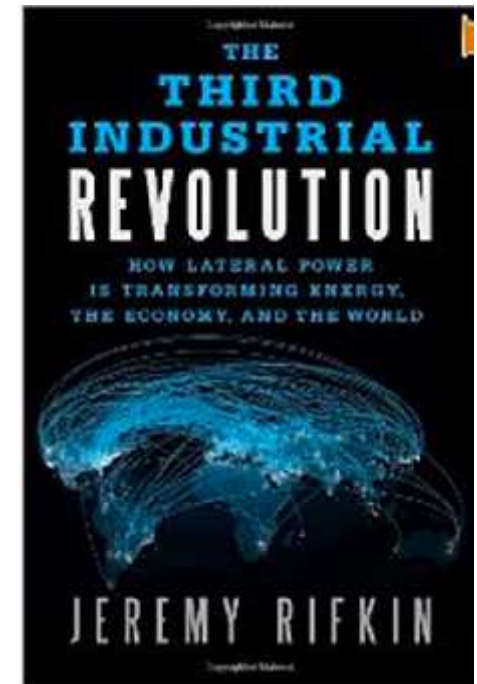
In the coming era, **hundreds of millions of people will produce their own green energy in their homes, offices, and factories and share it with each other in an “Energy Internet,”- a distributed smart grid- just like we now generate and share information online. ...**

The democratization of energy will also bring with it a fundamental reordering of human relationships, impacting the very way we conduct business, govern society, educate our children, and engage in civic life.

Rifkin J. (2005): The European Dream: How Europe's Vision of the Future Is Quietly Eclipsing the American Dream, Tarcher, ISBN 978-158542435

Rifkin J. (2011): The Third Industrial Revolution: How Lateral Power Is Transforming Energy, the Economy, and the World, Palgrave Macmillan, 21

Rifkin J. (2012): Industrial Policy Communication Update, A Contribution to Growth and Economic Recovery, http://ec.europa.eu/enterprise/initiatives/mission-growth/mcs/energy-rifkin-industrial-policy-communication-update-executive-summary_en.pdf



Vision

The five pillars of the Third Industrial Revolution are

- (1) shifting to renewable energy;
- (2) transforming the building stock of every continent into green energy efficient micro-power plants to collect renewable energies on-site;
- (3) deploying hydrogen and other storage technologies in every building and throughout the infrastructure to store intermittent energies;
- (4) using *Internet technology* to transform the power grid of every continent into an energy Internet - a distributed smart grid - that acts just like the Internet (when millions of buildings are generating a small amount of energy locally, on-site, they can sell surplus back to the grid and share electricity with their continental neighbors); and
- (5) transitioning the transport fleet to electric plug-in and fuel cell vehicles that can buy and sell electricity on a smart, continental, interactive power grid.

[“Europe is still lacking the infrastructure to enable renewable energy to develop and compete on an equal footing with traditional sources.”](#)

If one-third of electricity will be generated from green sources by 2020, the power grid must be digitalized and made intelligent to handle the intermittent renewable energies being fed to the grid from tens of thousands of local producers of energy.

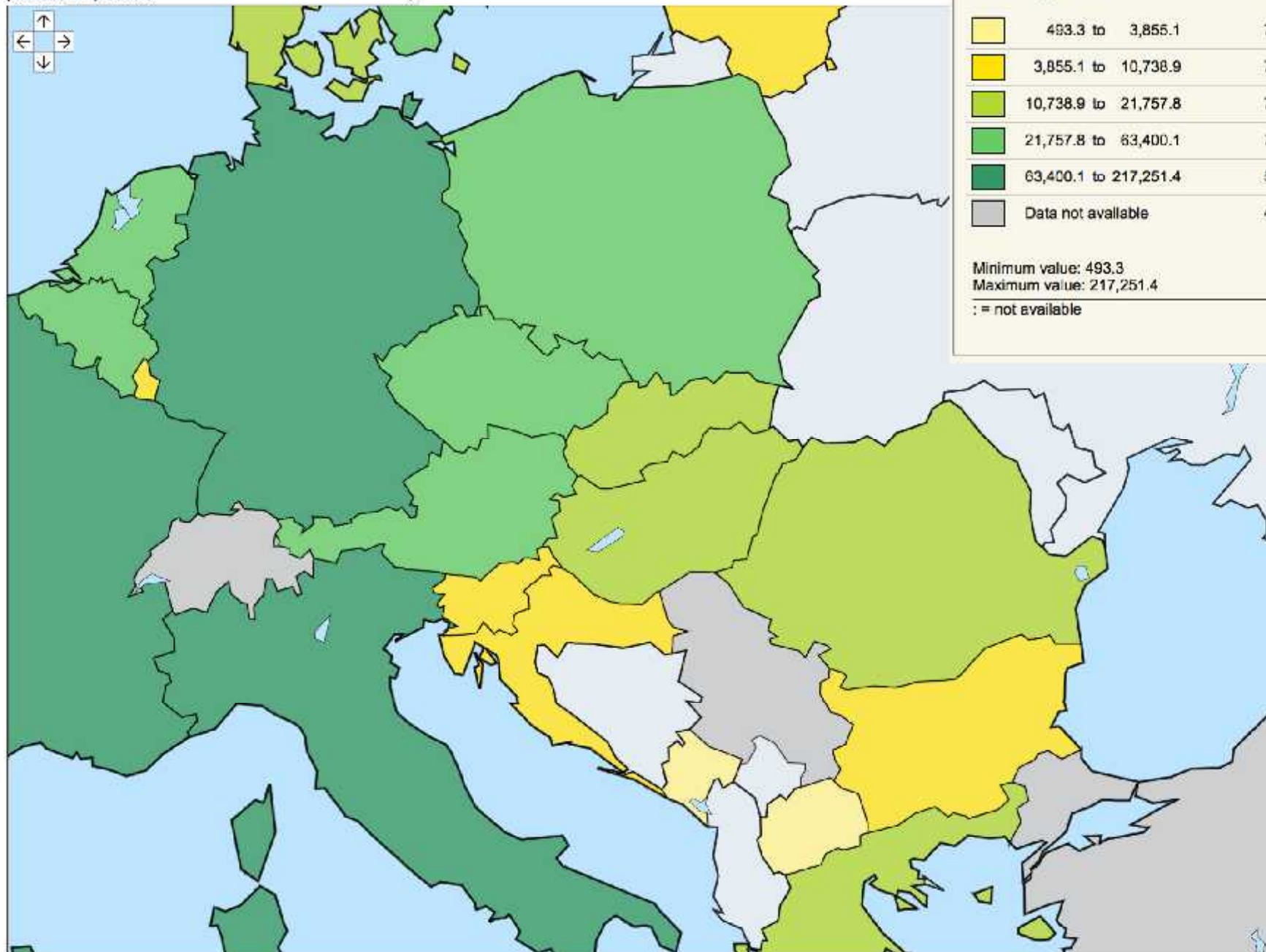
The European Union would need significant allocation of funds between 2010 and 2020 to update its electricity grid in order to accommodate an influx of renewable energy.

Final energy consumption by product

1 000 tonnes of oil equivalent

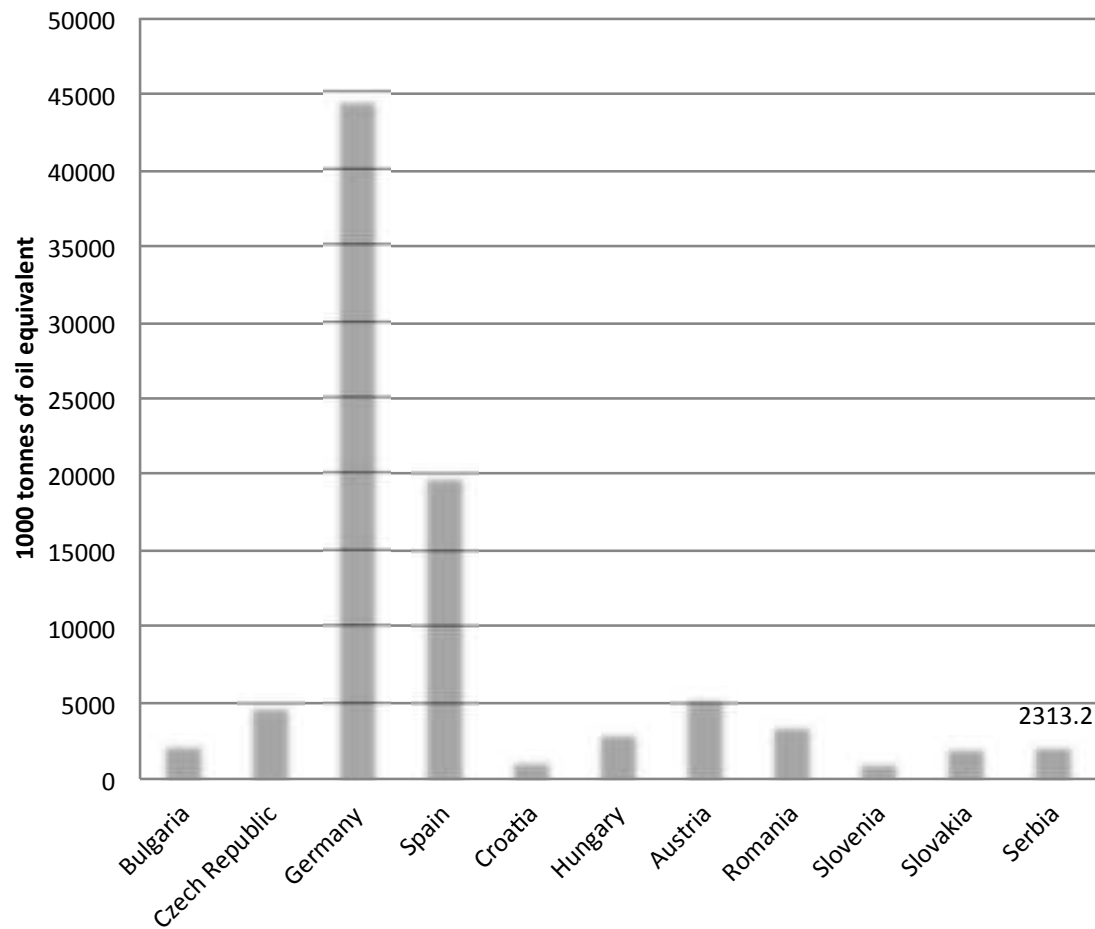
Final energy consumption includes all energy delivered to the final consumer's door (in ... [more](#))

product All products



Specific vision – Danube region

Final electric energy consumption



In spite of energy saving measures and decreasing of the energy intensity of the national economies **the desired development of the Danube region countries will result in increase of energy consumption and much more in the increase of the electric energy consumption.**

The energy system has to comply with certain criteria.

The energy system

- reliable
- affordable
- sustainable

- reliable, when
 - secure
 - adequate

Reliability is an attribute of any system that consistently performs according to its specifications. *Reliability* encompasses two concepts, *adequacy* and *security*.

Adequacy implies that there are *sufficient* generation and transmission resources installed and available to meet projected electrical demand plus reserves for contingencies.

Security implies that the system will remain intact operationally (i.e., will have sufficient available operating capacity) even after outages or other equipment failure (or geopolitical crises).

The degree of reliability may be measured by the frequency, duration, and magnitude of adverse effects on consumer service.

Electric power system reliability: The degree to which the performance of the elements of the electrical system results in power being delivered to consumers within accepted standards and in the amount desired.

The classical system

DISTURBANCES IN THE GENERATION, TRANSMISSION AND DISTRIBUTION SYSTEMS AS WELL AS THE VARIABILITY AND VOLATILITY OF CONSUMPTION ARE MANAGED BY RESERVES, REDUNDANCY AND DIVERSITY.

VARIABILITY: SEASONAL, WEEKLY, DAILY of the consumption

VOLATILITY: CONSUMER BEHAVIOUR

THE CONTROLLED SUBSYSTEMS

GENERATION

TRANSMISSION/
DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM

CONSUMPTION

BASE LOAD
PLANTS, LOAD-
FOLLOW AND
PEAK LOAD
GENERATORS,
planned
outages and
random
disturbances

= ? ≠

50 Hz

MOTIVATION and LIMITED
INFLUENCE on the CONSUMER
BEHAVIOUR VIA TARIFF/PRICE-
SYSTEM

CONTROL

DISPATCHING

+ political and
market
uncertainties

The **Northeast blackout of 1965** was a significant disruption in the supply of electricity on Tuesday, November 9, 1965, affecting parts of Ontario in Canada and Connecticut, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, Vermont, New York, and New Jersey in the United States. Over 30 million people and 80,000 square miles (207,000 km²) were left without electricity for up to 12 hours.

The cause of the failure was human error that happened days before the blackout. **Mainten**
personnel incorrectly set a protective relay on one
of the transmission lines between the Niagara
generating station Sir Adam Beck Station No. 2 in
Queenston, Ontario.

The safety relay, which was to trip if the current
exceeded the capacity of the transmission line, was
set too low.

As was common on a cold November evening,
power for heating, lighting and cooking was pushing
the electrical system to near its peak capacity.

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Northeast blackout repeated in 2003

European blackout (Saturday, November 4, 2006). More than 15 million clients of the European Network of Transmission System Operators for Electricity didn't have access to electricity during about two hours. The immediate action taken by the Transmission System Operators (TSO) prevented the disturbance to turn into a Europe-wide blackout.

Attributes of a „good“ system

- Robust infrastructure
- Redundancy; several parallel solutions for one function
- Diversity:
 - markets/sources,
 - transmission lines, pipelines,
 - technologies ;
- Adaptive, developed internal connections
- Regional cooperation, interconnections
- Reliable and strong storage capacity
- More intense cooperation and solidarity steps among neighboring states
- Competitive energy markets(?)

Stakeholder contributions play an essential part in the development of all main ENTSO-E deliverables, including network codes, network development plans, work programmes and R&D roadmaps. Consultation with stakeholders is far more than a mandatory

ENTSO-E IN FIGURES

The geographical area covered by ENTSO-E member TSOs is going beyond the EU

This corresponds to the world's biggest economic area, roughly on par with the USA

532 million
customers served by the
represented TSOs

307,503 km
of transmission lines
managed by TSOs required to
keep the lights on in Europe

which, if laid out
would circle the
earth's circumference
more than 7 times

3,307.9
TWh electricity
consumption
in 2013

This accounts for almost 15% of the world's total electricity consumption in 2013 ¹⁾

387,251
GWh of electricity
exchange between
member TSOs
in 2013

This is over 4 times the yearly production capacity of the largest power plant in the world – the Three Gorges Dam in China.²⁾

This is roughly as much as in the US or China and one fifth of the world's installed generation capacity.²⁾

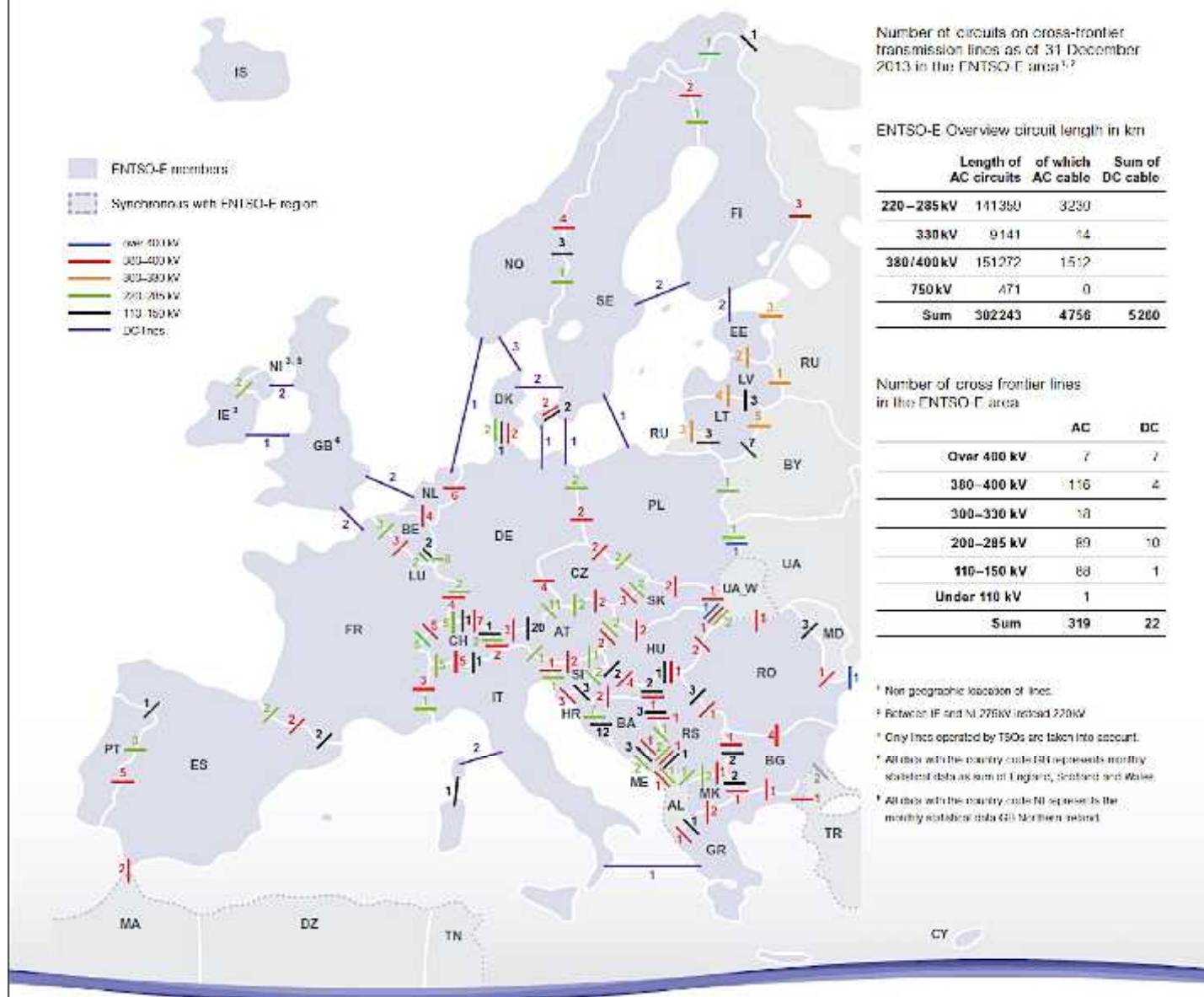
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¹ Based on figures from the World Energy Council, World Energy Sources Survey 2012.

2) Based on figures from www.clearenergyradio.com

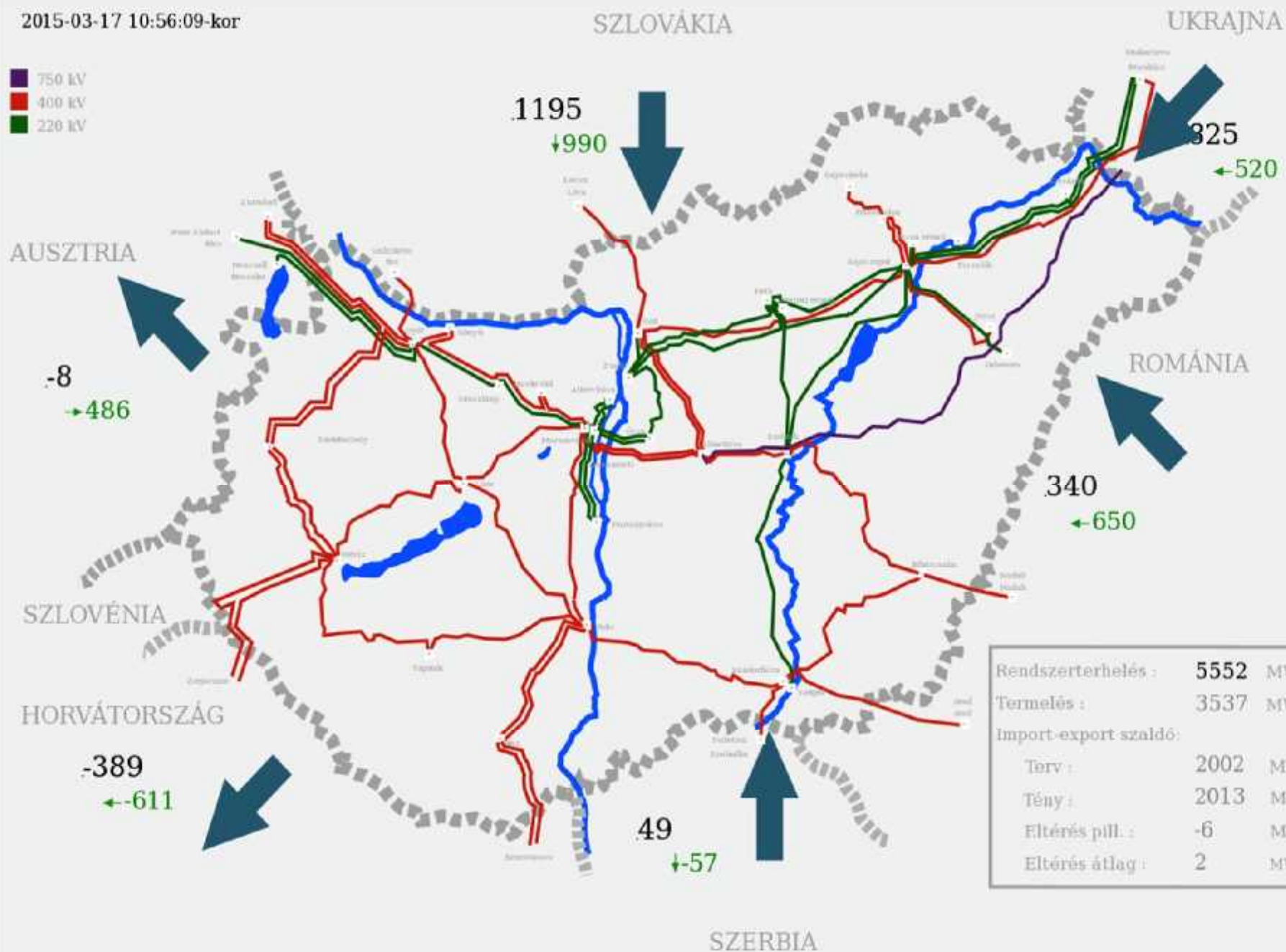
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Grid information



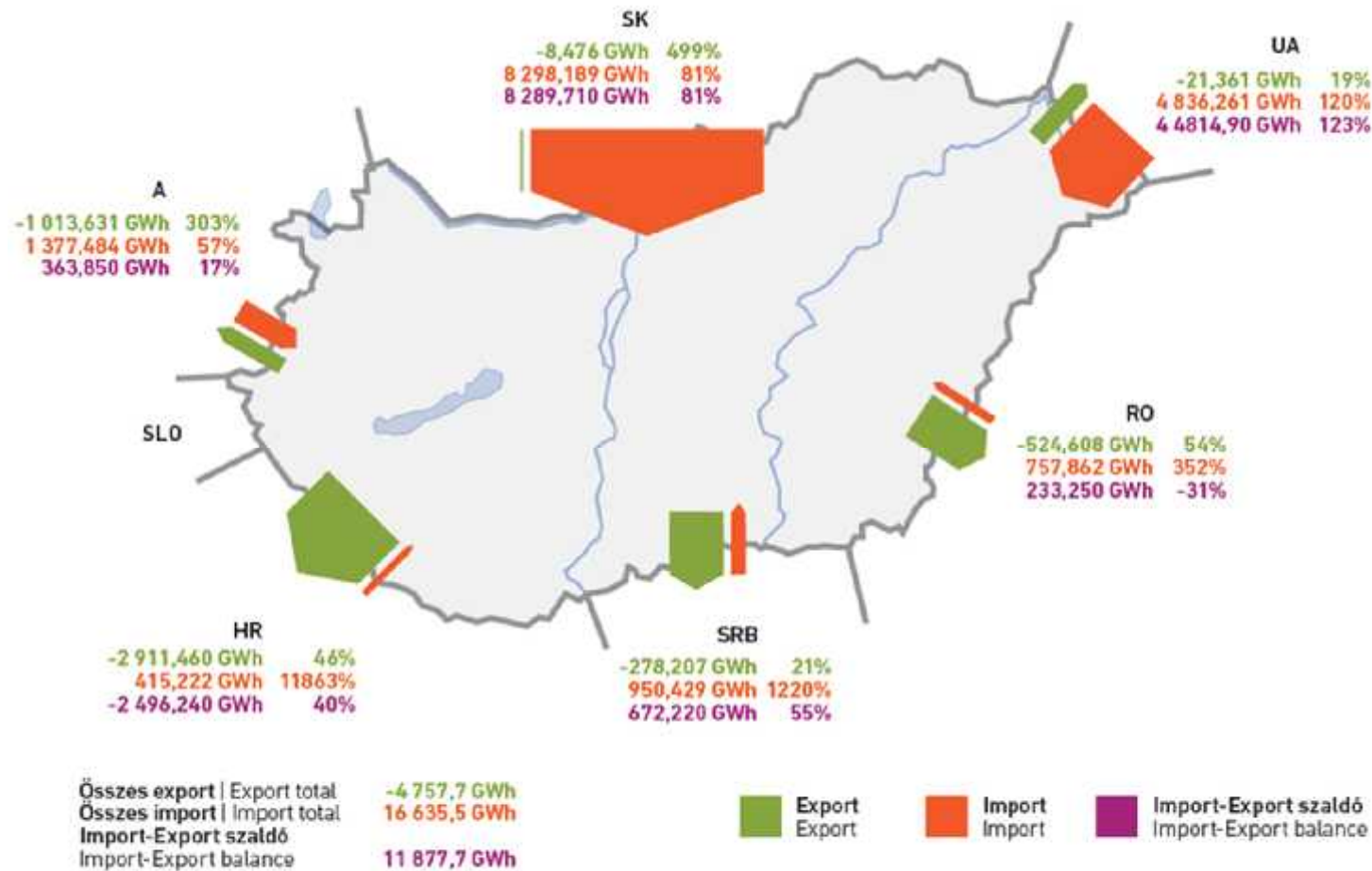
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750 kV
400 kV
220 kV



Rendszerterhelés :	5552	MW
Termelés :	3537	MW
Import-export szaldó:		
Terv :	2002	MW
Tény :	2013	MW
Eltérés pill. :	-6	MW
Eltérés átlag :	2	MWh/h

Cross-border electric energy transfer 2013



*A százalékos adatok a változás mértékét jelenítik meg a bázishoz (2012) képest.
 The figures in % show the extent of change compared to the base (2012)

Effect of the increasing utilization of renewable energy sources on the reliability

Increased share of renewables in the energy mix - positive effects:

- decrease import dependency
- increase emission-free consumption

Robustness of the system improves with increasing RES since the RES are some kind of internal resources

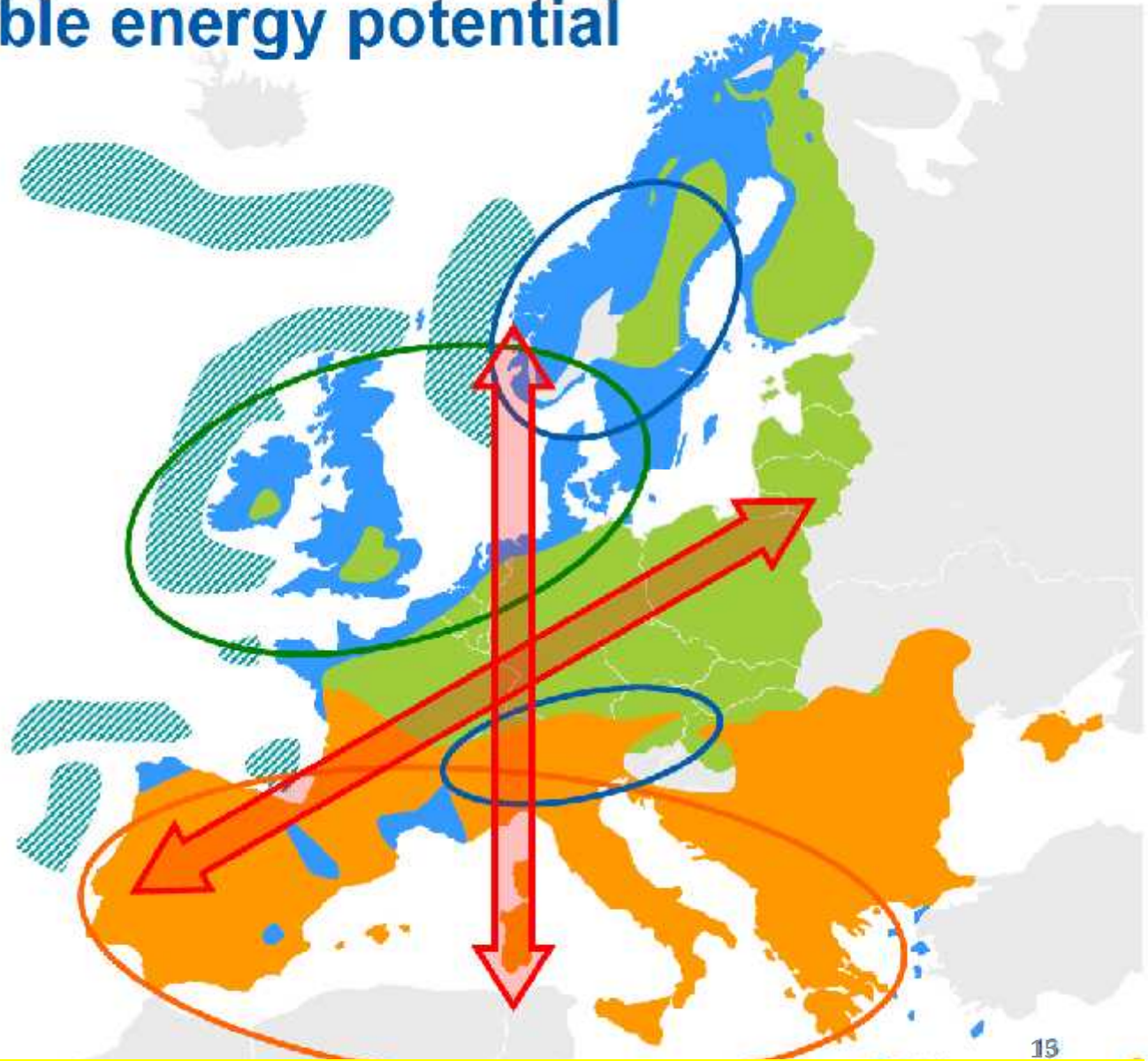
RES does not run out, does not depend on the volatility of market and geopolitics (?), it depend mainly on God will

● EU renewable energy potential

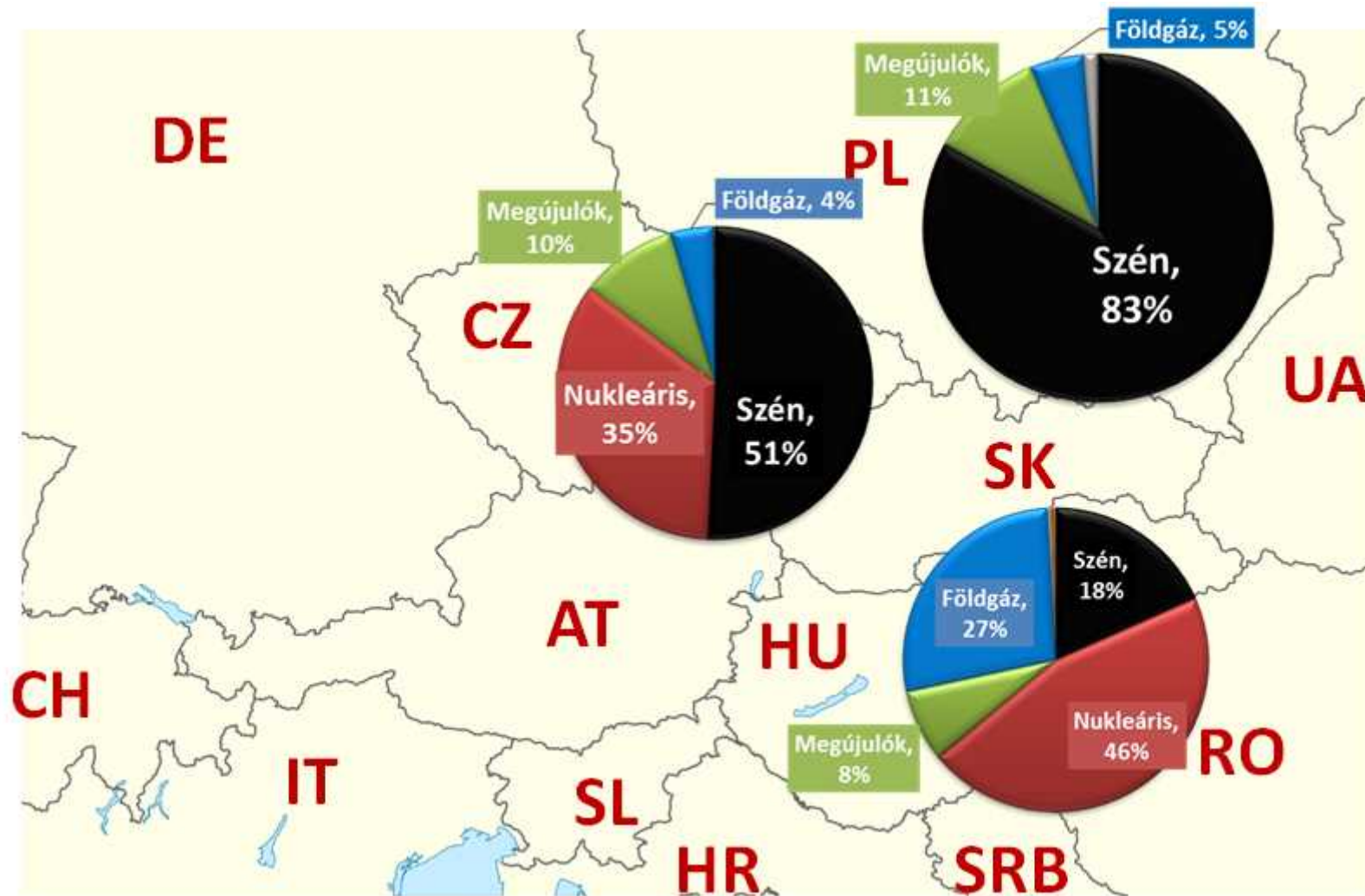
- Wind energy onshore
- Solar energy
- Wave energy
- Bioenergy

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Simplified Map



Primary sources of the power generation (2012)



courtesy of Dr. ASZÓDI Attila

source: EU energy in figures 2014

Conclusion 1

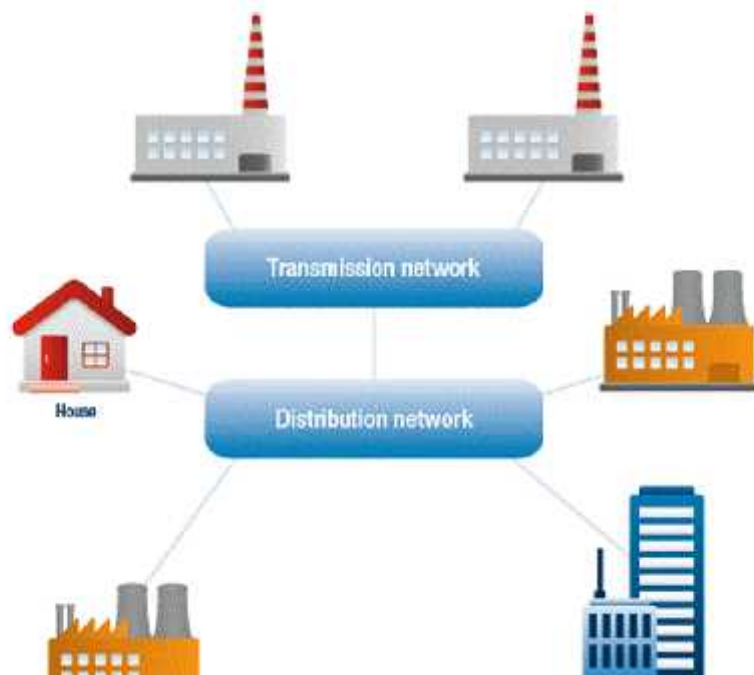
In the Danube region

Although the interconnections between national grids improve the reliability of supply, the interconnections of the power systems transmit electricity generated by burning coal

New era

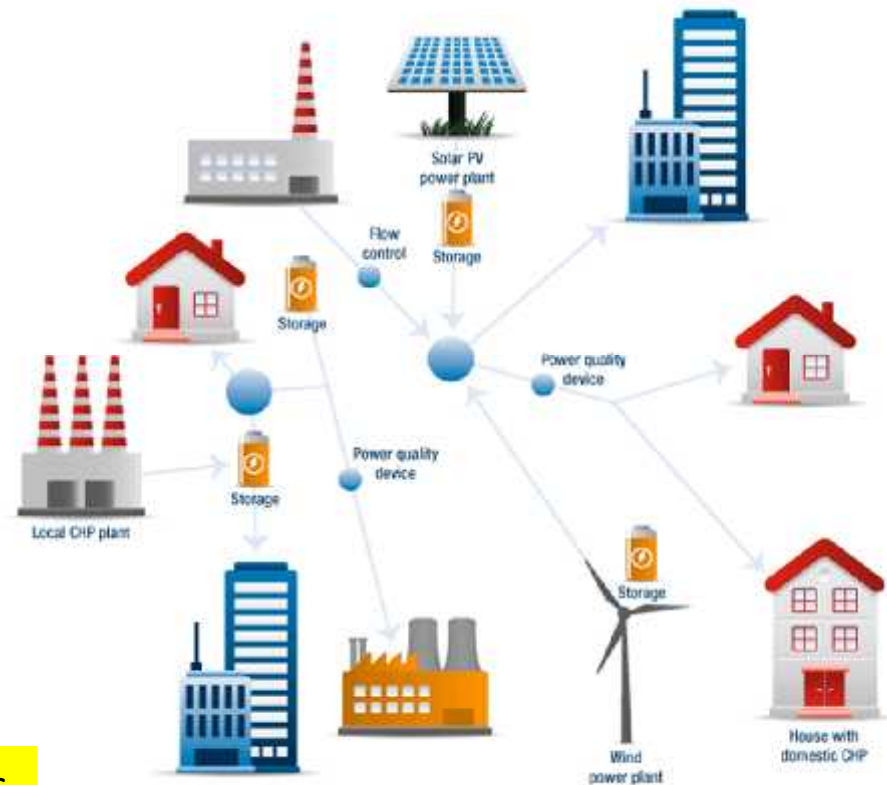
500 million generators, 500 million consumers

Centralized power generation



platts

Localized power generation



not only the consumption and market are variable and volatile, but the generators as well

Challenges of the increasing utilization of renewable energy sources

Increased share of renewables in the energy mix:

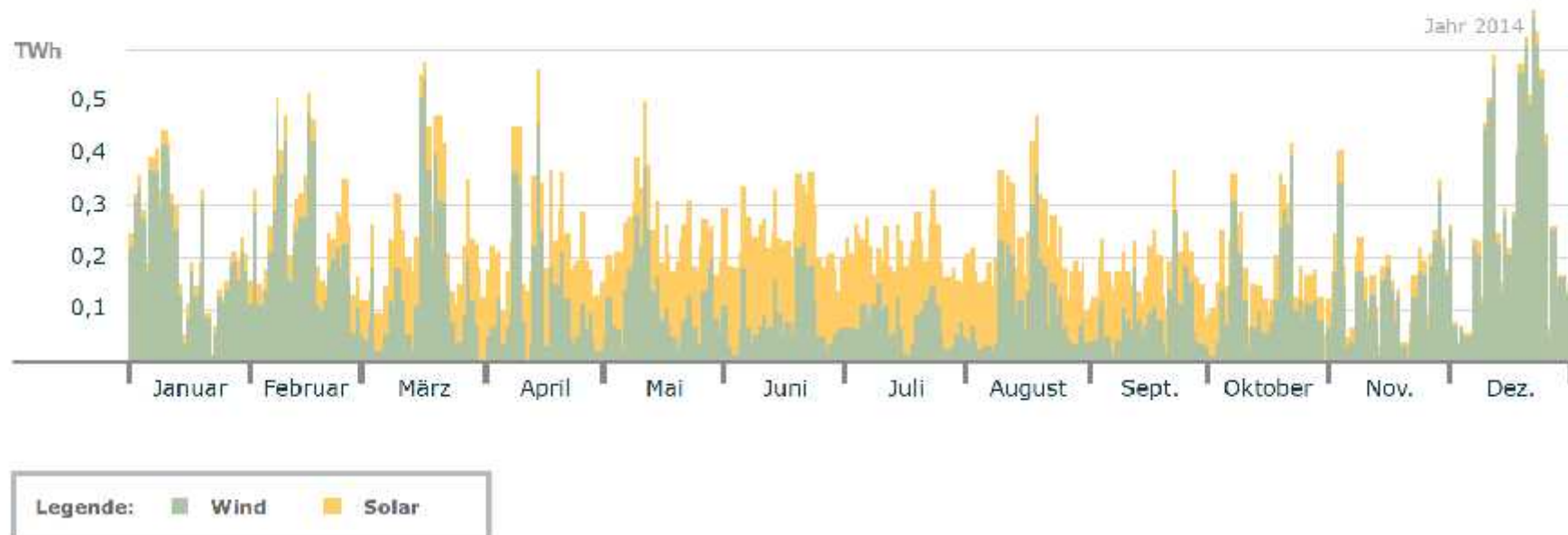
- positive effects:
 - decrease import dependency
 - increase emission-free consumption
- issues to be solved
 - problems related to the intermittent generation
 - need of reliable base-load generation
 - need of storage
 - need of developed regional cooperation regarding reserves and storage

Conclusion 2 (trivial)

Integration of generation using renewables requires enormous effort in grid development.

Tägliche Produktion Solar und Wind

Tägliche Produktion Solar und Wind



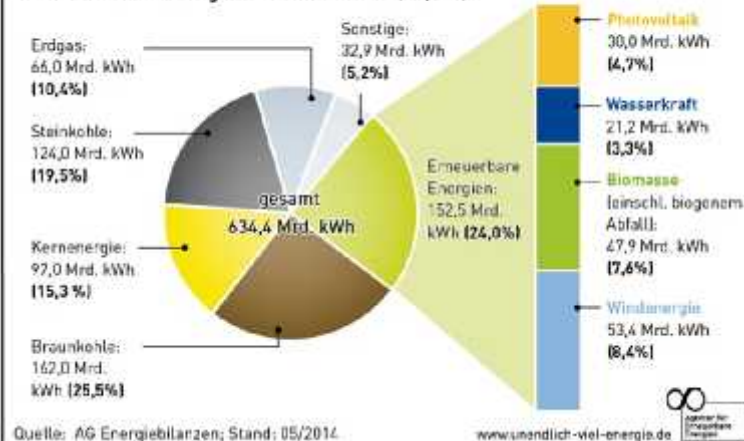
- Die maximale tägliche Summe der Stromproduktion aus Solar und Wind betrug 0,676 TWh am 22.12.2014
- Die minimale tägliche Summe der Produktion betrug 0,022 TWh am 21.01.2014

Grafik: B. Burger, Fraunhofer ISE; Daten: Leipziger Strombörse EEX

“Unendlich viel Energie” case - Germany

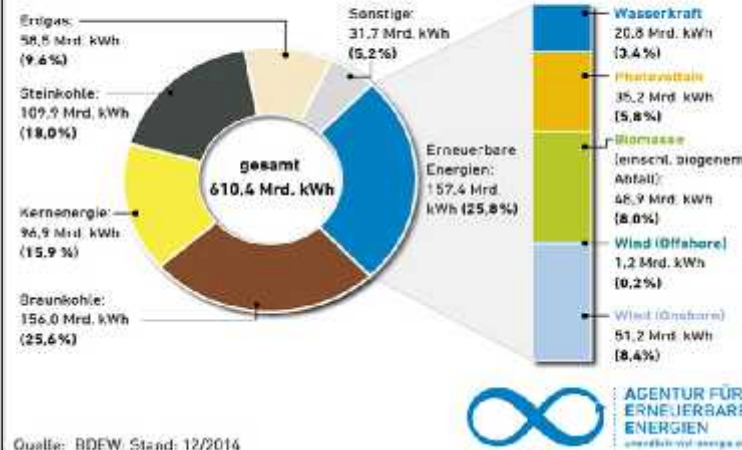
Der Strommix in Deutschland im Jahr 2013

Mit 152,5 Milliarden Kilowattstunden lieferten Erneuerbare Energien 24 Prozent der Bruttostromerzeugung. Ihr Anteil am deutschen Stromverbrauch von 599,8 Milliarden Kilowattstunden betrug mehr als ein Viertel (25,4%).



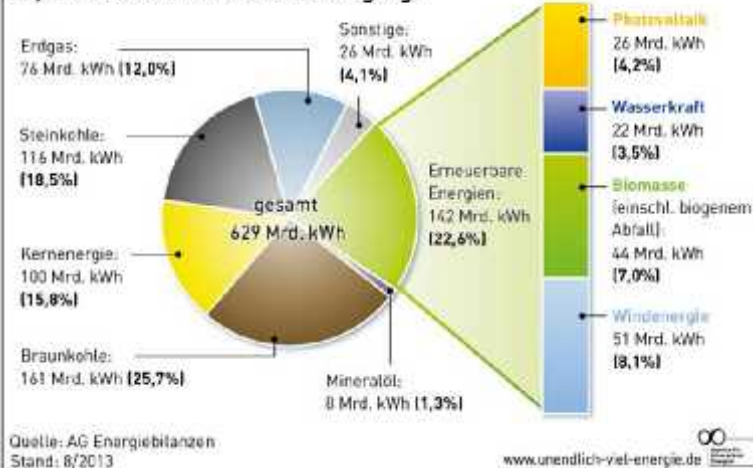
Der Strommix in Deutschland im Jahr 2014

Mit 157 Milliarden Kilowattstunden lieferten Erneuerbare Energien mehr als ein Viertel der deutschen Bruttostromerzeugung. Zusammen hatten sie damit erstmals den größten Anteil im Vergleich zu den einzelnen anderen Energieträgern. Ihr Anteil am Bruttostromverbrauch betrug 27,3%.



Der Strommix in Deutschland im Jahr 2012

Mit 142 Milliarden Kilowattstunden lieferten Erneuerbare Energien 22,6 Prozent der Bruttostromerzeugung.



2014: fossil 324400 GWh + nuclear 96900 GWh = 421300 GWh, i.e. **69% nonRES**

2013: fossil 352000 GWh + nuclear 97000 GWh = 449 000 GWh, i.e. **70,8% nonRES**

2012: fossil 353000 GWh + nuclear 100000 GWh = 453 000 GWh, i.e. **73,3 % nonRES**

Between 2012-2014 production of the base load plants in the system is nearly constant

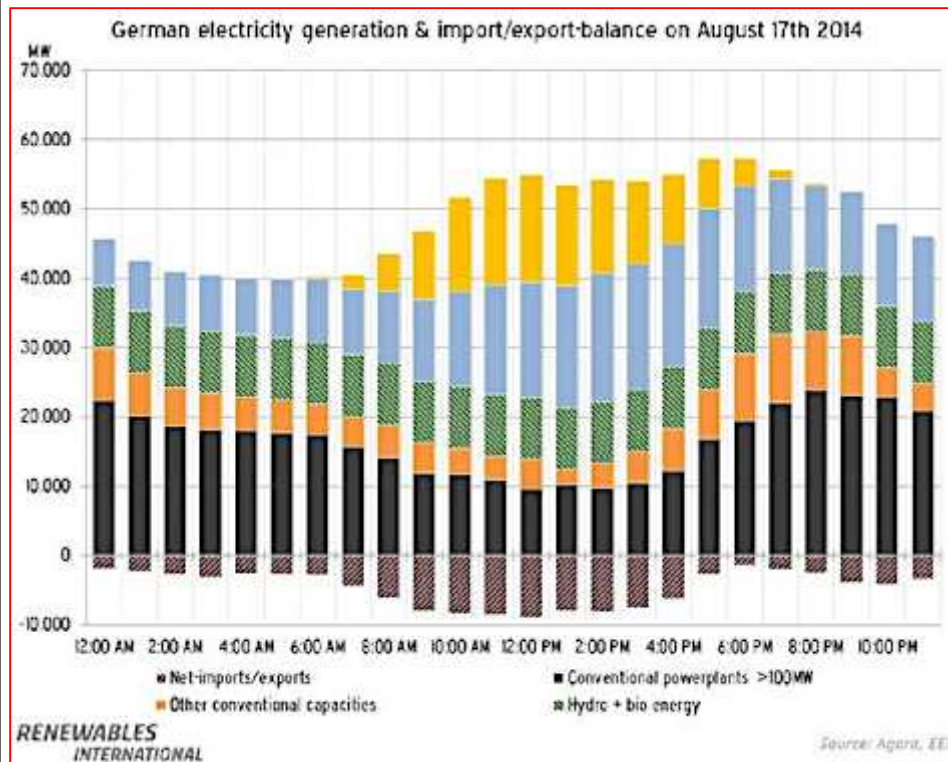
59,3÷60,3%

(±1%)

while the production by RES increased by 3,2%.

WHY?

The best day of RES generation

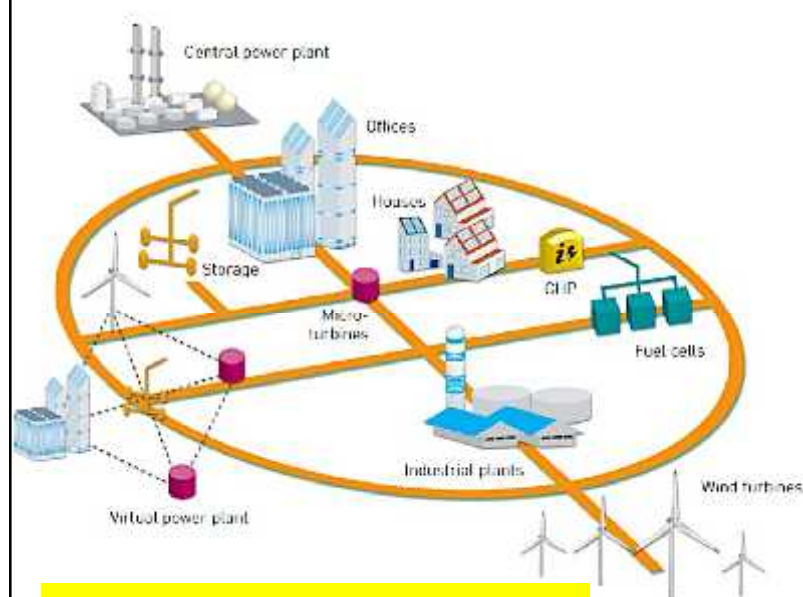


Aug 18 was a Sunday like any other in Germany. At 2 pm, the country's renewable generation capacity peaked at 41 GW while demand was around 53.5 GW – meaning that renewables accounted for roughly 75% of generation capacity, a new record for Europe's biggest economy. At the time of the peak, wind capacity stood at 18.6 GW, solar at 13.5, hydro at 4 with approx. 4.9 from biomass.

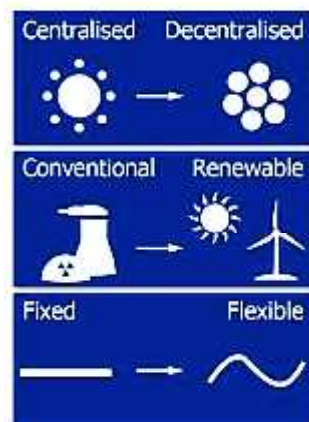
This meant that theoretically only 13.4 GW of conventional thermal generation was needed to serve the load. In reality, however, thermal plants were throttled back to 21.4 GW, either because they could not ramp down any further or for grid reliability reasons.

When the wind is blowing and the sun is shining, Germany is selling the excess electric power generated by the base-load coal fired plants, which could not be stopped because of the system stability.

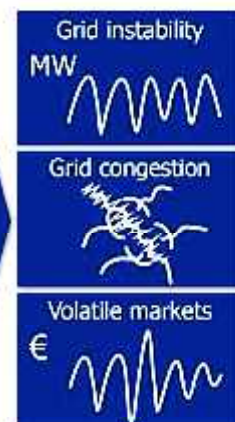
Renewable Energy Integration



TRENDS



OBSTACLES



SOLUTIONS



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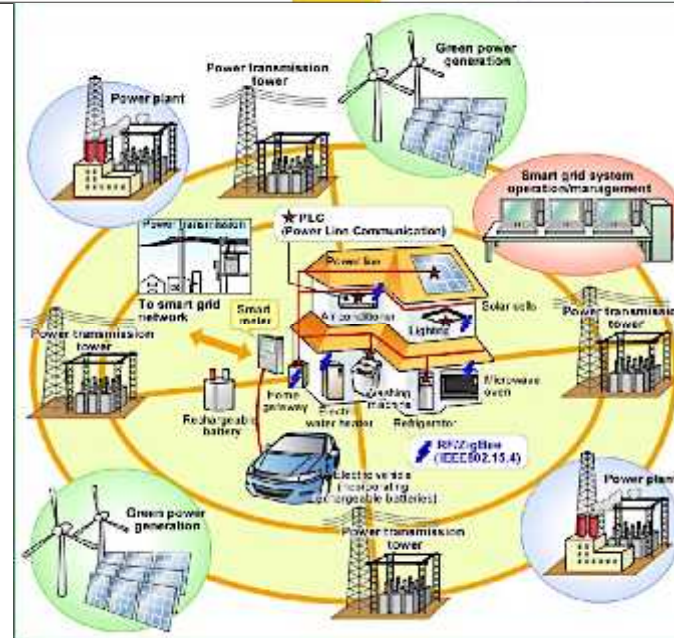


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Smart appliances
Smart households
Smart communities
Smart cities
Smart metering
Smart grid
Smart market

A new
smarter
mankind



Smart Grid

Principal smart grid functional characteristics

- Self-healing from power disturbance events

- Enabling active participation by consumers in demand response

- Operating resiliently against physical and cyber attack

- Providing power quality for 21st century needs

- Accommodating all generation and storage options

- Enabling new products, services, and markets

- Optimizing assets and operating efficiently

Smart grid that uses digital technology to improve reliability, resiliency, flexibility, and efficiency (both economic and energy) of the electric delivery system.

Storage options

Table 3: Existing and planned US energy storage technologies, split by capacity.

Storage technology	MW	%
Open-loop Pumped Hydro Storage	22545	78.9
Closed-loop Pumped Hydro Storage	4100	14.4
Molten Salt Thermal Storage	541	1.9
Compressed Air Storage	423	1.5
Lithium ion Battery	209	0.7
Lead-acid Battery	133	0.5
Chilled Water Thermal Storage	130	0.5
Electro-chemical	104	0.4
Flywheel	98	0.3
Thermal Storage	72	0.3
Ice Thermal Storage	64	0.2
Gravitational Storage	50	0.2
Flow Battery	39	0.1
Nickel based Battery	27	0.1
Sodium based Battery	23	0.1
Others/unspecified	13	0.1

Table 9: US energy storage applications, by capacity¹².

Application	Capacity (MW)	%	Technology categories
Electric Energy Time Shift	15,683	54.9	Pumped Hydro Storage, Electro-chemical, Thermal Storage
Electric Supply Capacity	6,505	19.5	Thermal Storage, Electro-chemical, Pumped Hydro Storage
Electric Supply Reserve Capacity - Spinning	3,685	12.5	Electro-chemicals, Electro-mechanics, Pumped Hydro Storage
Load Following (Tertiary Balancing)	1,266	4.4	Electro-chemicals, Pumped Hydro Storage
Renewables Energy Time Shift	691	2.4	Electro-mechanics, Electro-chemicals, Thermal Storage, Pumped Hydro Storage
Grid-Connected Commercial (Reliability & Quality)	530	1.9	Electro-chemicals, Pumped Hydro Storage
Ramping	330	1.2	Electro-chemicals, Pumped Hydro Storage
Renewables Capacity Firming	322	1.1	Thermal Storage, Electro-chemical, Electro-mechanics
Voltage Support	211	0.7	Electro-chemicals, Pumped Hydro Storage
Frequency Regulation	199	0.7	Electro-mechanics, Electro-chemicals, Thermal Storage
Electric Bill Management	77	0.3	Electro-chemicals, Thermal Storage
Resiliency	45	0.2	Electro-mechanics
Electric Bill Management with Renewables	7	0.0	Electro-chemicals
Transportable Transmission/Distribution Upgrade Deferral	7	0.0	Electro-chemicals
Onsite Renewable Generation Shifting	5	0.0	Thermal Storage, Electro-chemical
Transportation Services	5	0.0	Electro-mechanics, Electro-chemicals
Stationary Transmission/Distribution Upgrade Deferral	3	0.0	Electro-chemicals
Electric Supply Reserve Capacity - Non-Spinning	2	0.0	Electro-chemicals
Microgrid Capability	2	0.0	Electro-chemicals
On-Site Power	2	0.0	Electro-chemicals
Distribution Upgrade due to solar	1	0.0	Electro-chemicals
Grid-Connected Residential (Reliability)	1	0.0	Electro-chemicals
Black Start	0.4	0.0	Electro-chemicals

¹² From DoE Energy Storage Database data. All capacities rounded up to the nearest megawatt except for sub-megawatt amounts.



EU framework for Smart Grids

- ✓ Electricity Directive 2009/72/EC
- ✓ Energy Efficiency Directive 2012/27/EC
- ✓ Energy Infrastructure Regulation (EC) 347/2013
- ✓ Electro-mobility Draft Directive AFI COM(2013)18
- ✓ COM(2011)202 on Smart Grids
- ✓ COM(2012)663 Recommendation OJ L/73 13/03/2012
- ✓ COM (2013)7243 on IEM and public intervention
- ✓ SWD(2013)442 on Demand Side Flexibility

Key questions

Questions about the reliability, affordability and sustainability of our energy future often boil down to questions about investment.

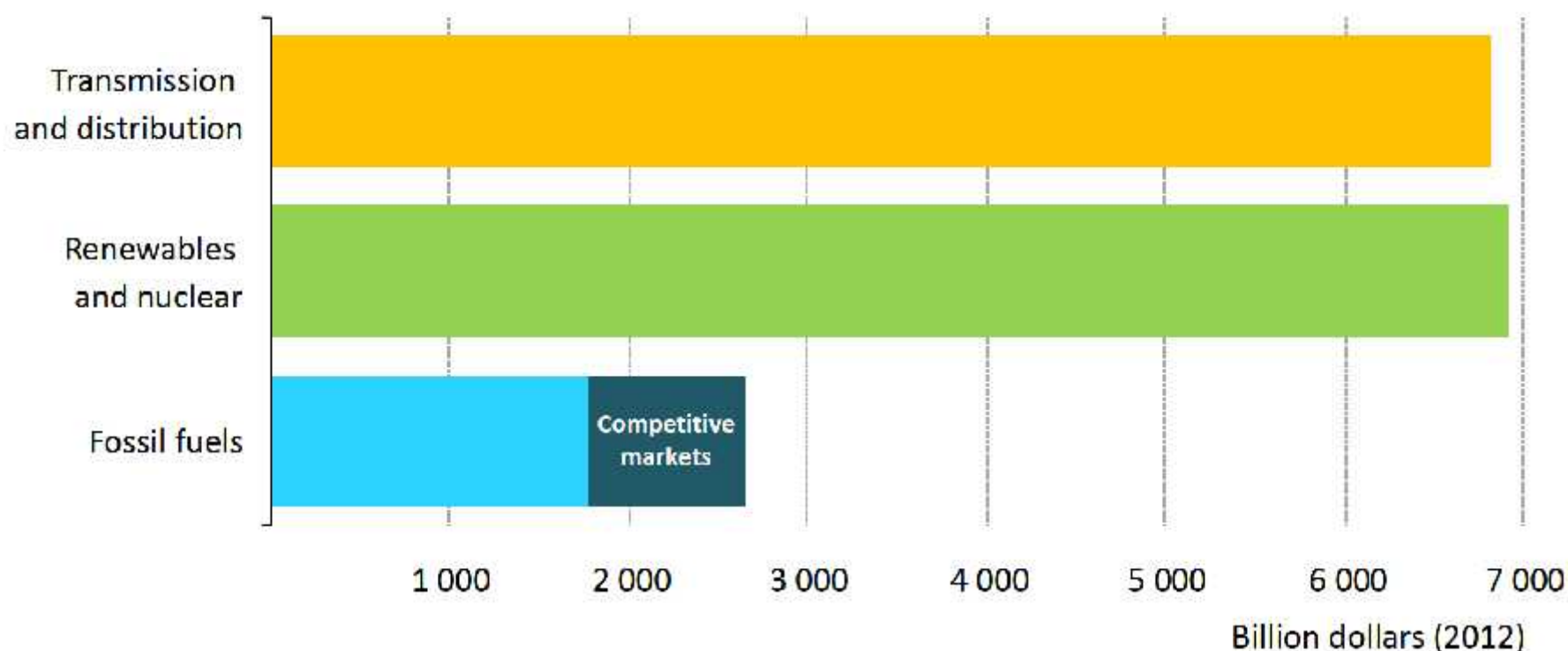
Investment

- in research and development
- deployment
- implementation

International cooperation has an important role.

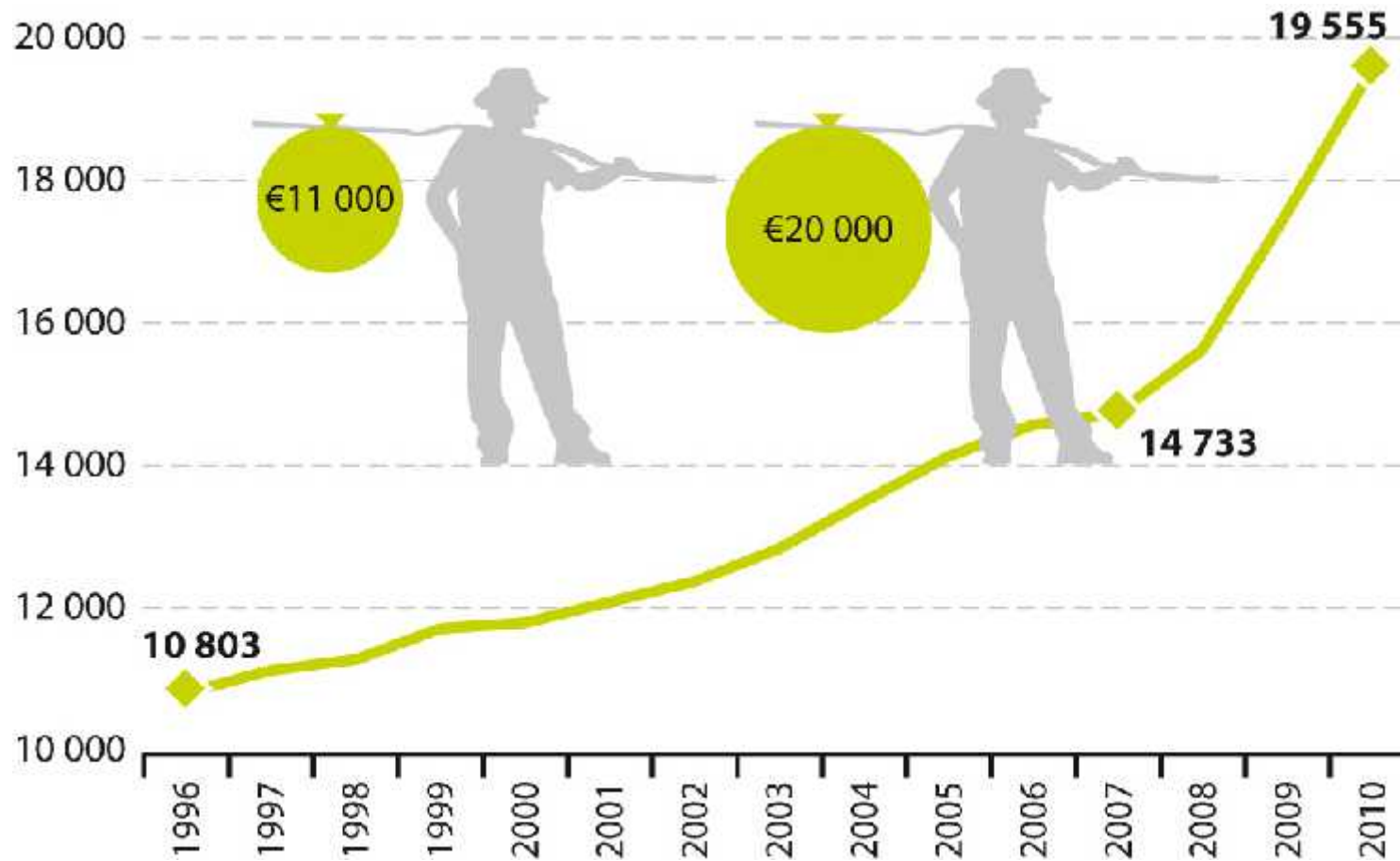
Governments, not market signals, are driving power sector investment

Power sector investment, 2014-2035

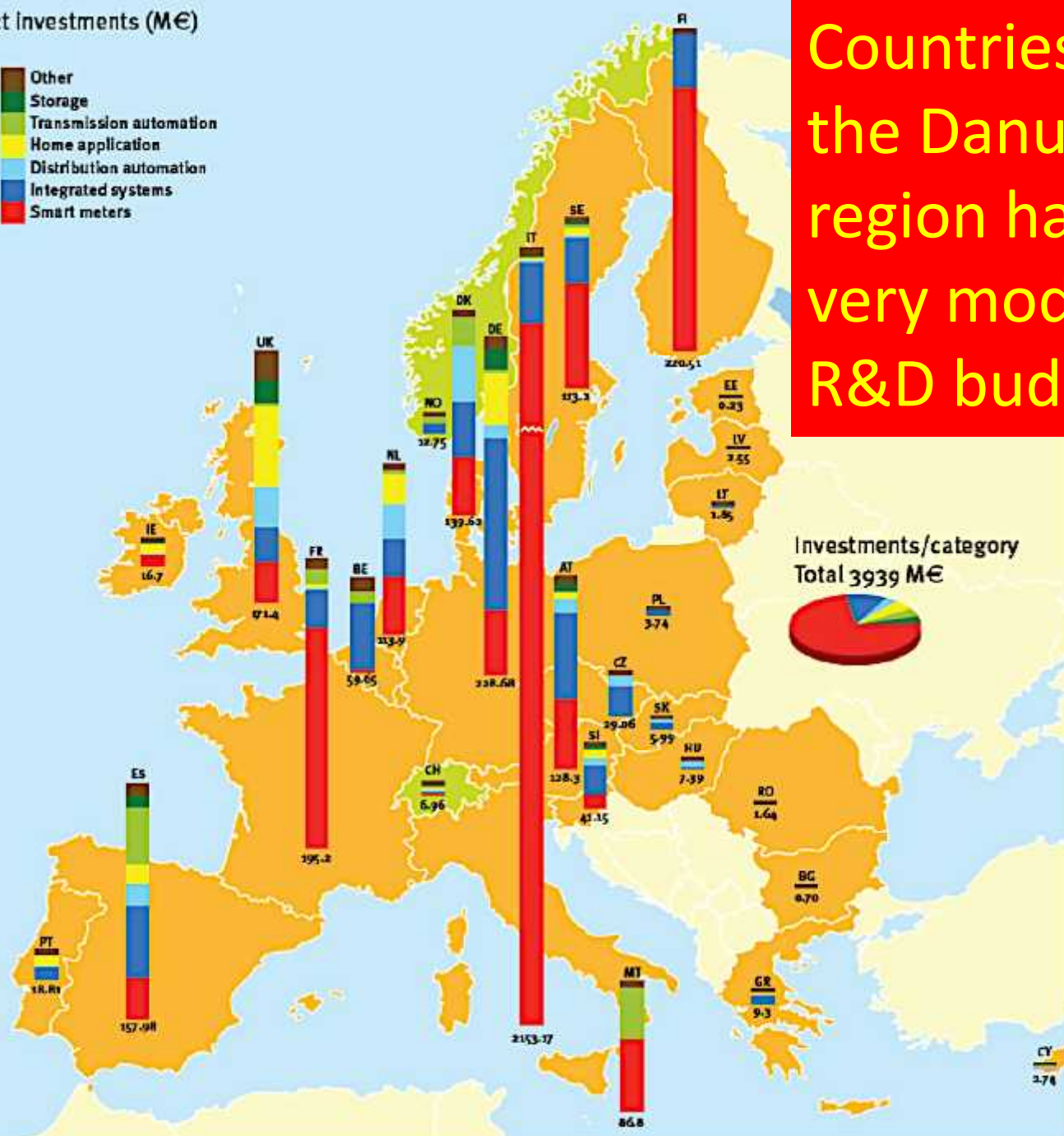
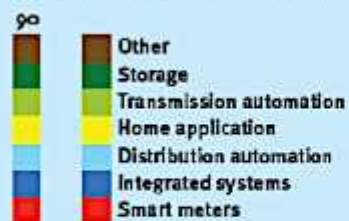


With current market designs, competitive parts of markets require less than \$1 trillion of cumulative investment to 2035 out of total power sector needs of \$16.4 trillion

Gross state depths



Project investments (M€)

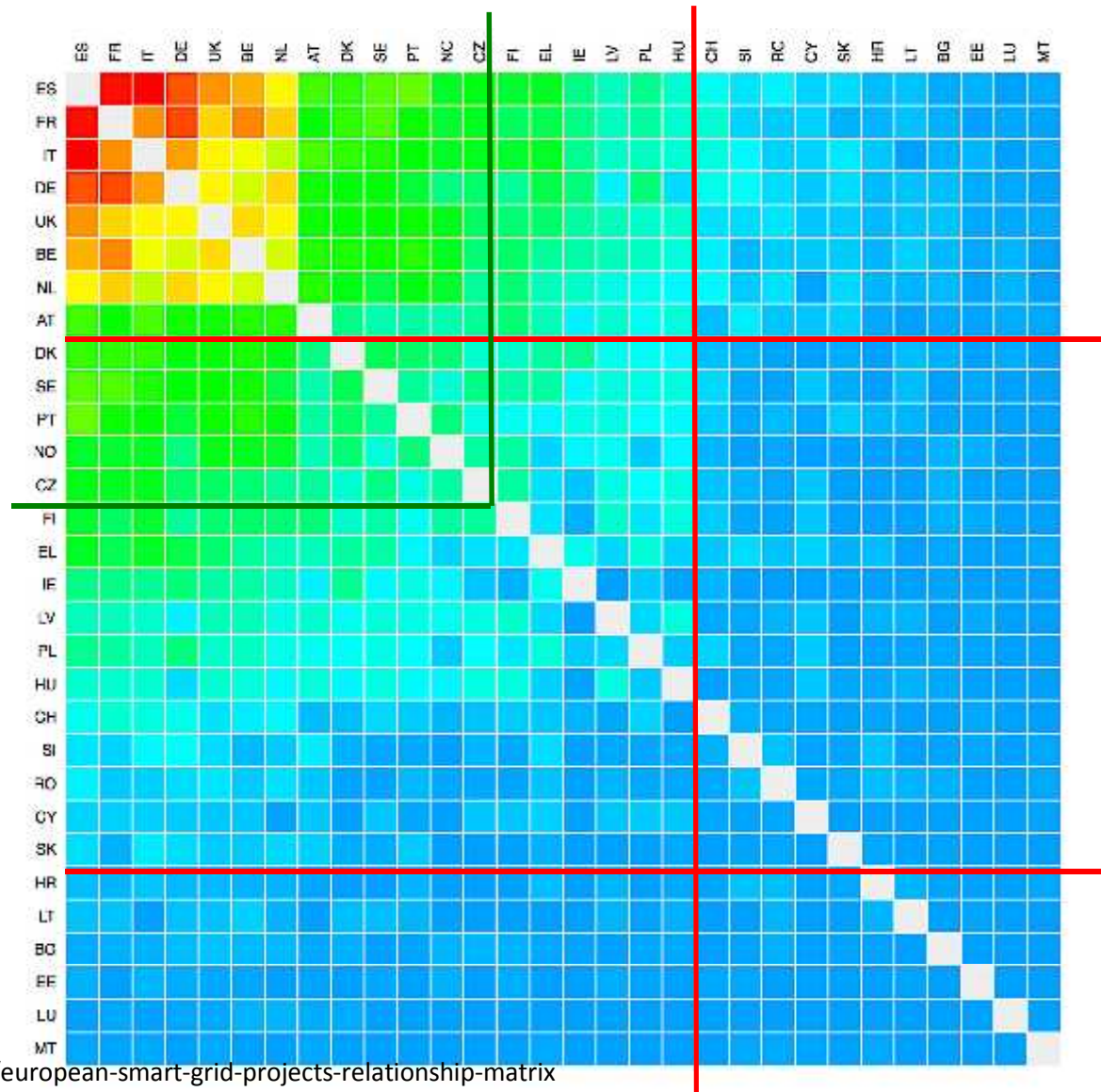


Countries in the Danube region have very moderate R&D budget

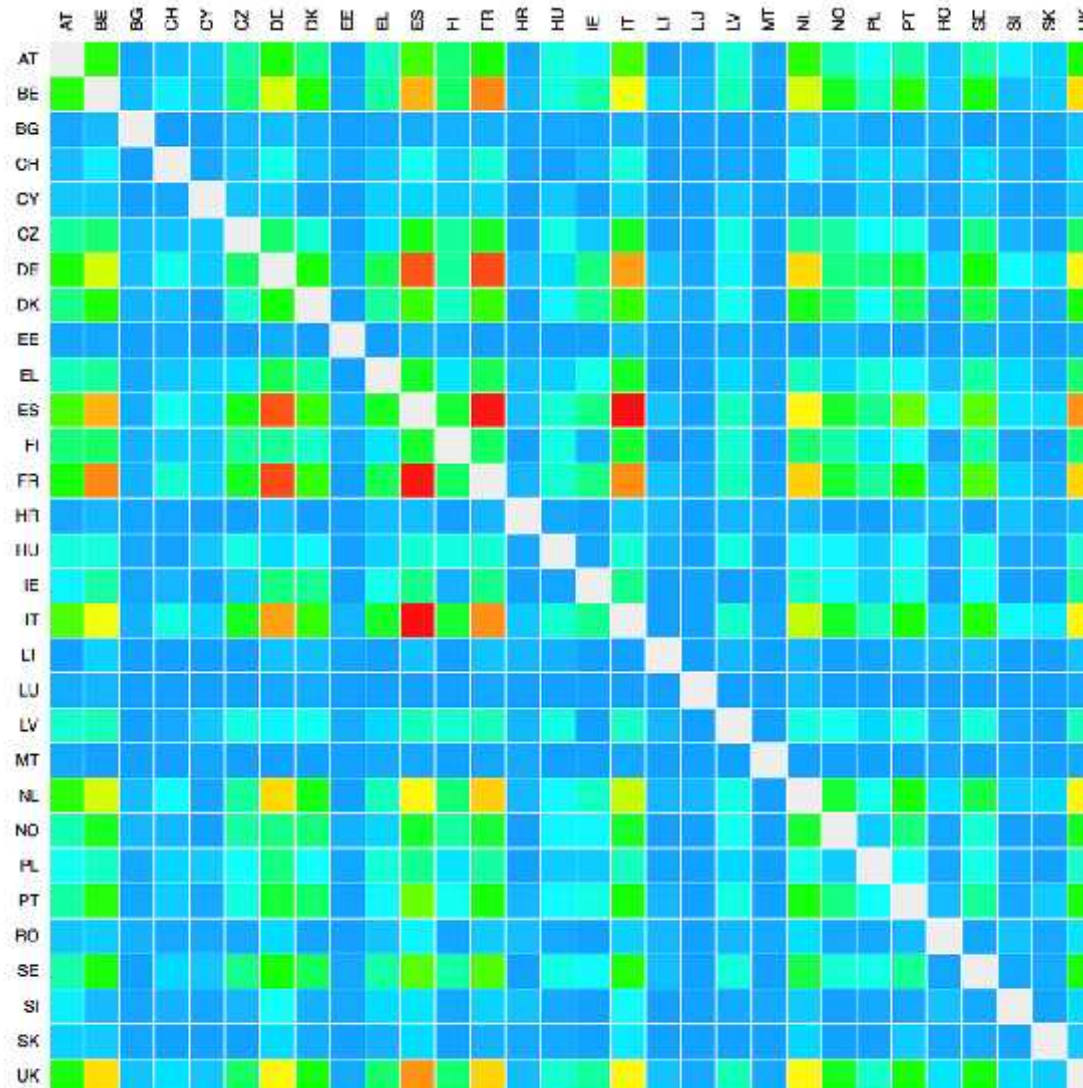


Renewable energy in EU

European smart grid projects: relationship matrix by value



European smart grid projects: relationship matrix by name



Conclusion

The cooperation between the Danube region countries in smart grid projects needs further improvements

Will Europe keep the lights on?

- Over the past decade, four-fifths of investment in European power generation went to renewables, 60% just to wind and solar PV
- Europe needs to invest \$2.2 trillion (2nd largest after China) to 2035 to replace ageing infrastructure & meet decarbonisation goals
- Current overcapacity offers some breathing space, but 100 GW of new thermal plants is needed before 2025 to safeguard reliability
- This investment won't happen with current market rules: wholesale power prices are 20% (or 20\$/MWh) below cost-recovery levels
- Higher wholesale prices could increase end-user bills, adding to the strain on households & on competitiveness of EU industry

LET'S DREAM TOGETHER!

