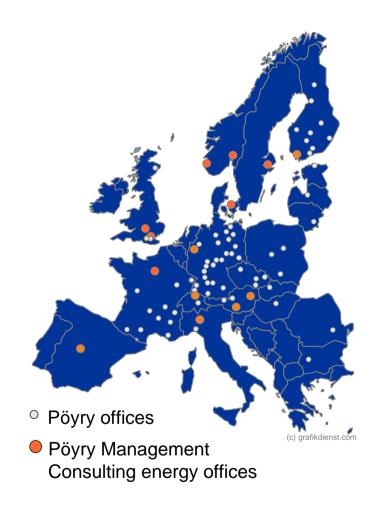


**Modelling the future for EU power markets** 

WEC Paris, 7 December 2011 Andrew Nind

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## Developing scenarios for an unknowable future

"He who forecasts the future lies, even if he tells the truth" (Chinese proverb)

### Our modelling methodology

Based on market fundamentals

Not beholden to forward curves

Market behaviour is assumed

Energy flows between countries respond to relative energy prices

SRMC determines despatch levels but prices cover fixed costs

### The scenario approach

Our approach is to develop detailed and internally consistent scenarios for the future behaviour of energy markets

Each scenario tells a story about what could happen in the market

Scenarios are not forecasts ... but can act as shock therapy!

We analyse typical market conditions in the long term

We do not attempt to predict random events, or the weather

Our scenarios have been used by developers and lenders throughout Europe

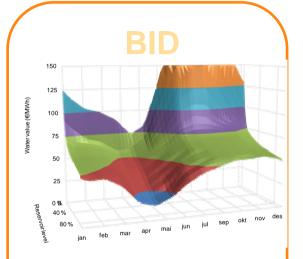


## **Overview of electricity models**

Our power models are highly specialised, focusing on the important drivers for the system we are analysing



- Plant-by-plant for all Europe
- 24 sample days/year
- Used for quarterly update process



- Detailed water valuation
- 365 days/year x 50 hydro years
- Used extensively in Nordic countries

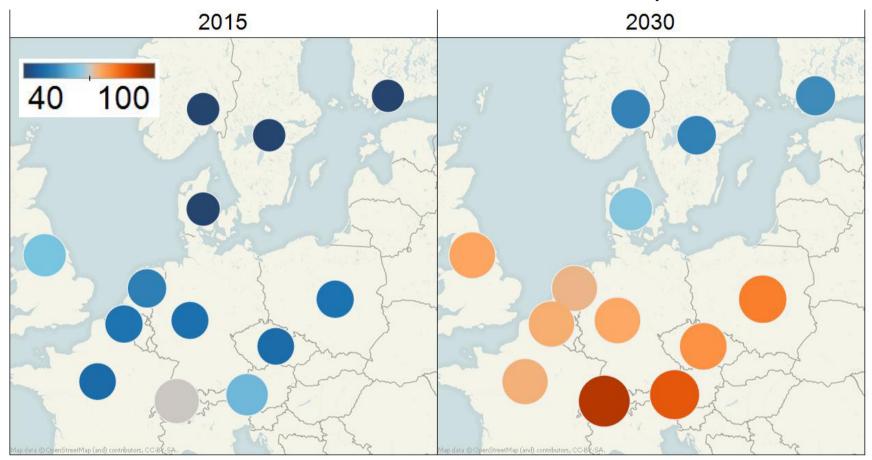


- Detailed wind and solar simulation
- 365 days/year x 8 weather years
- Used for NEWSIS and intermittency studies



## Wholesale and retail prices are likely to rise, but diverge between countries

Overall market prices will rise significantly (especially if Europe is serious about CO2 reduction) but to different levels and in a different manner in each country. They are also likely to diverge between countries unless substantial interconnector reinforcement takes place

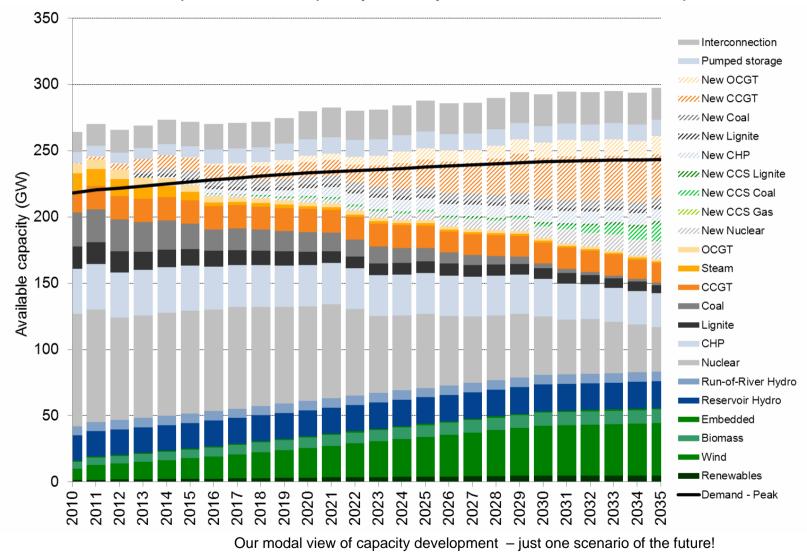


Annual average wholesale prices (€/MWh) – one scenario of the future!



## Despite the rhetoric, how much renewable capacity is likely?

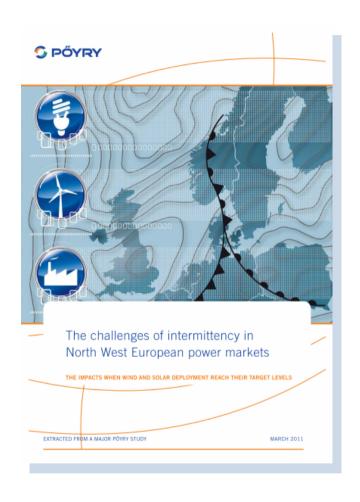
In North West Europe, thermal capacity is likely to be dominant for a couple of decades





# If reality does indeed match rhetoric in the de-carbonisation of power generation, what can we expect?

- Pöyry has been actively engaged in intermittency projects, including our North Europe Wind and Solar Intermittency Study (NEWSIS) earlier this year
- Study members:
  - DONG, RWE, ENBW, Statkraft, GDFSuez, EdF, DECC, SSE, Kemijoki
- Public summary available of the main report



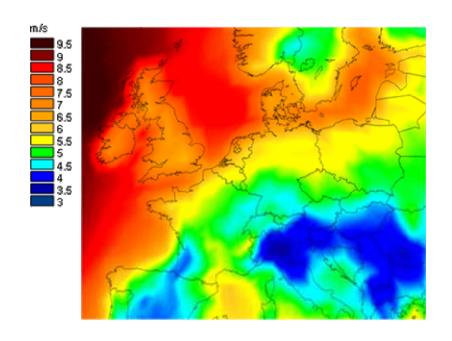


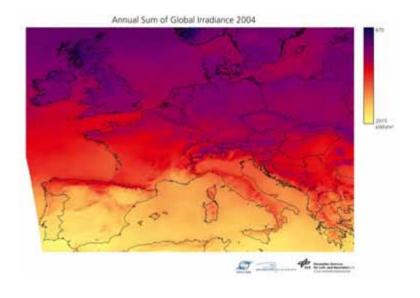
## Will historical wind and solar patterns apply in the future?

We have used detailed historical wind and solar data to create intermittent profiles

#### Anemos wind atlas

#### Transvalor solar data





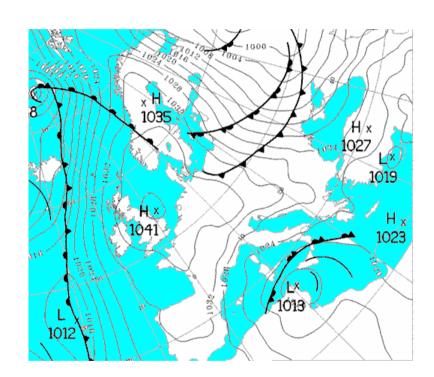
- 3 hourly data 1970-2009
  - Used 2003-2009
- 90km intervals across Europe
- Data converted to hourly intervals
- 20 million data points

- Hourly data 2003-2009
- 2 km intervals across Europe (sampled at 45km)
- 60 million data points

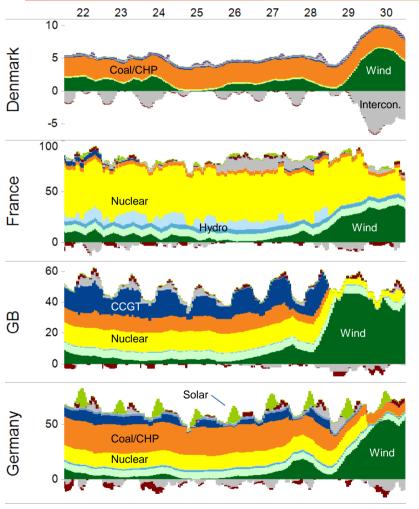


# If so, wind output will be well correlated across Europe

Weather patterns for 25 December 2006





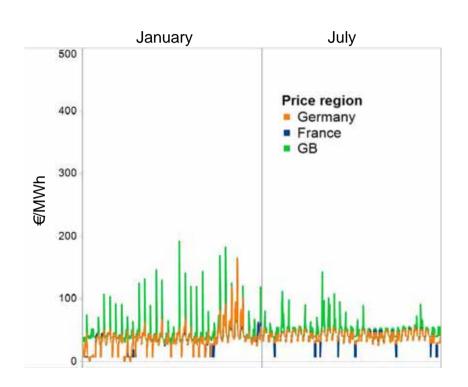


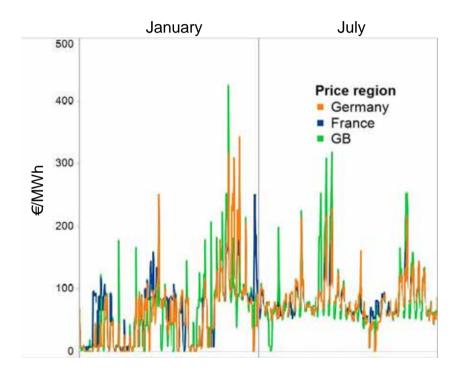


## A low carbon future is a volatile price future

In our 'Targets Met' scenario, prices become more volatile and unpredictable, with increased numbers of low-priced periods.

2010 2030

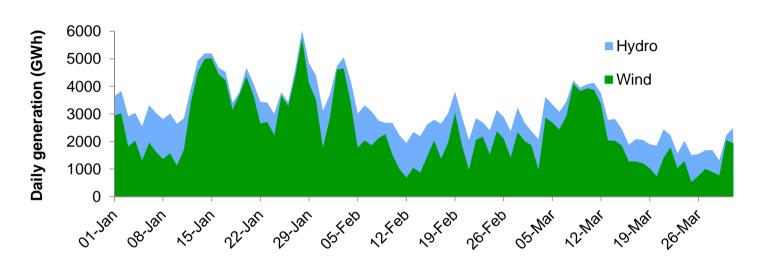






# Hydro helps to balance intermittency provided there is significant interconnection

### Hydro and wind generation across Europe

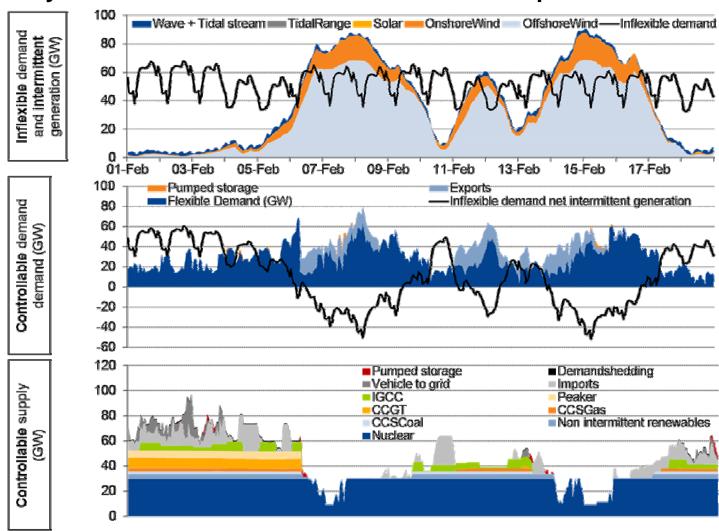


- Interconnectors to Nord Pool become increasingly valuable in high wind scenarios as there is a rise in demand for hydro to balance wind generation:
  - high interconnector growth between Nord Pool and other countries results in higher and more volatile Nord Pool prices but greater value for hydro capacity
  - low interconnector growth between Nord Pool and other countries results in lower and more stable Nord Pool prices but lower value for hydro capacity



## Without hydro, intermittency needs flexible thermal generation

February 2050 in Great Britain with 80% annual output from renewables



<sup>\*</sup>Net exports are shown on middle chart when positive and are shown on bottom chart when negative



## Can a system cope with high wind reliance?

## Various key issues need to be understood better

- How flexible are thermal power stations? Will German lignite, French nuclear, British CCGTs ramp up and down in response to wind fluctuations?
- How are frequency response and fast reserve requirements (seconds or minutes) related to market penetration of wind and solar? What proportion of these requirements can be met by the demand side?
- Can peaking plant be designed to switch on faster? In under 10 minutes?
- How much transmission and distribution network reinforcement is required?
- Can short-term forecasts of demand and intermittent generation be improved?
- How much hydrogen storage is realistic?
- What are realistic demand assumptions for electric heating and transport?





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