



System Integration of Renewables

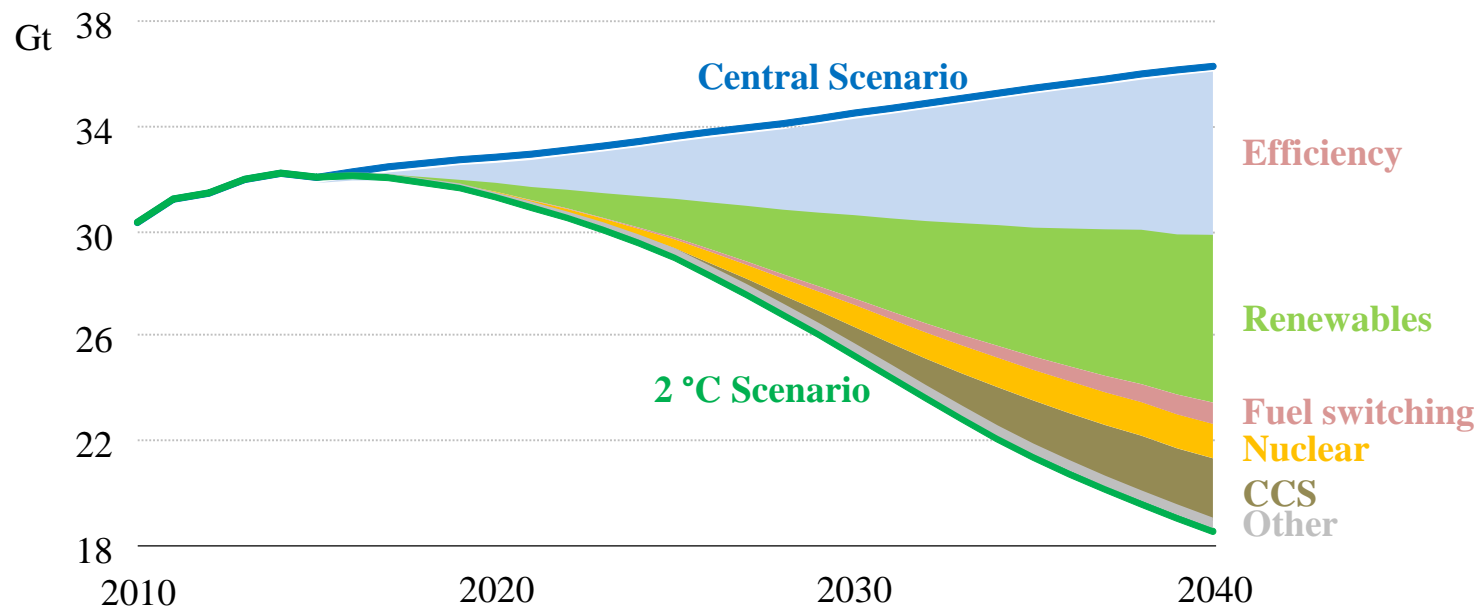
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Efficiency and renewables key to climate change mitigation

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Energy
Outlook
2016

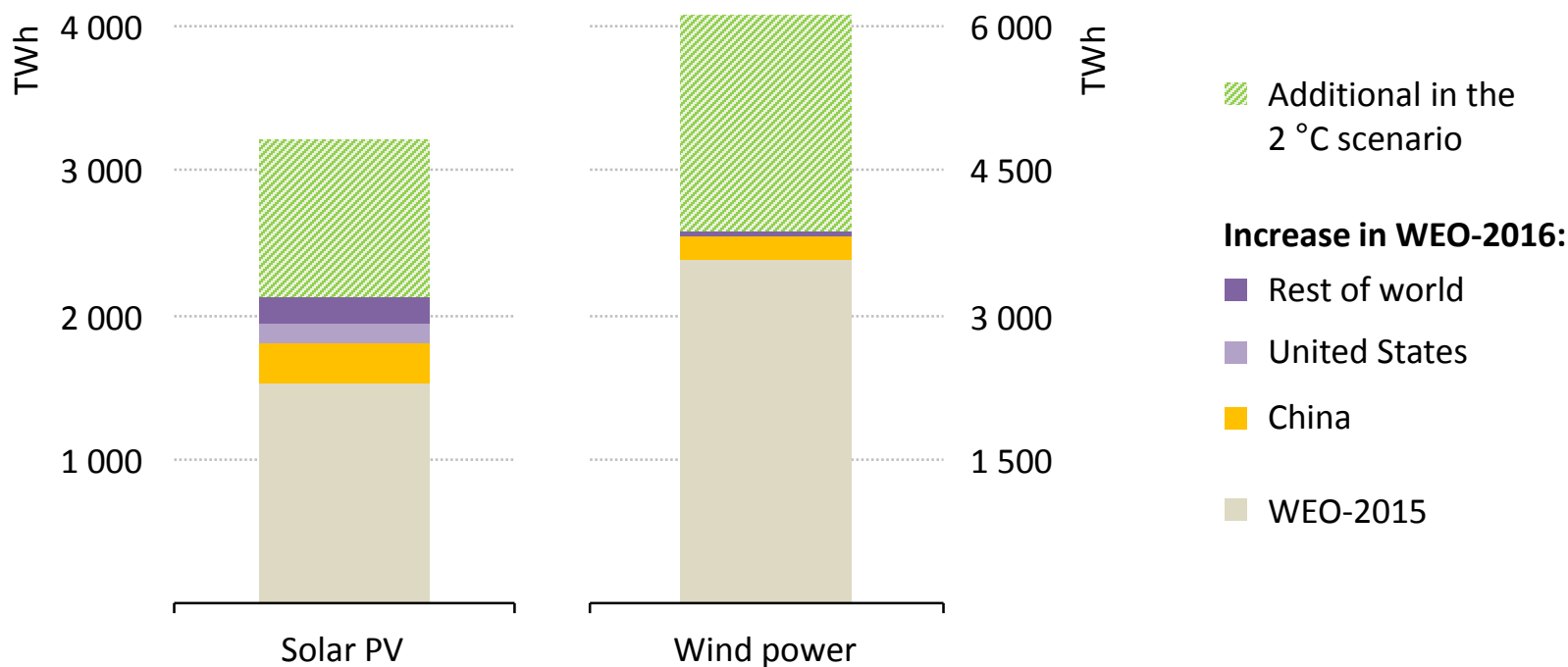
Global CO₂ emissions reductions in the Central & 2 °C Scenario by technology



Aligning policies for energy efficiency and renewables become critical to achieving climate goals

Greater policy support boosts prospects for solar PV and wind

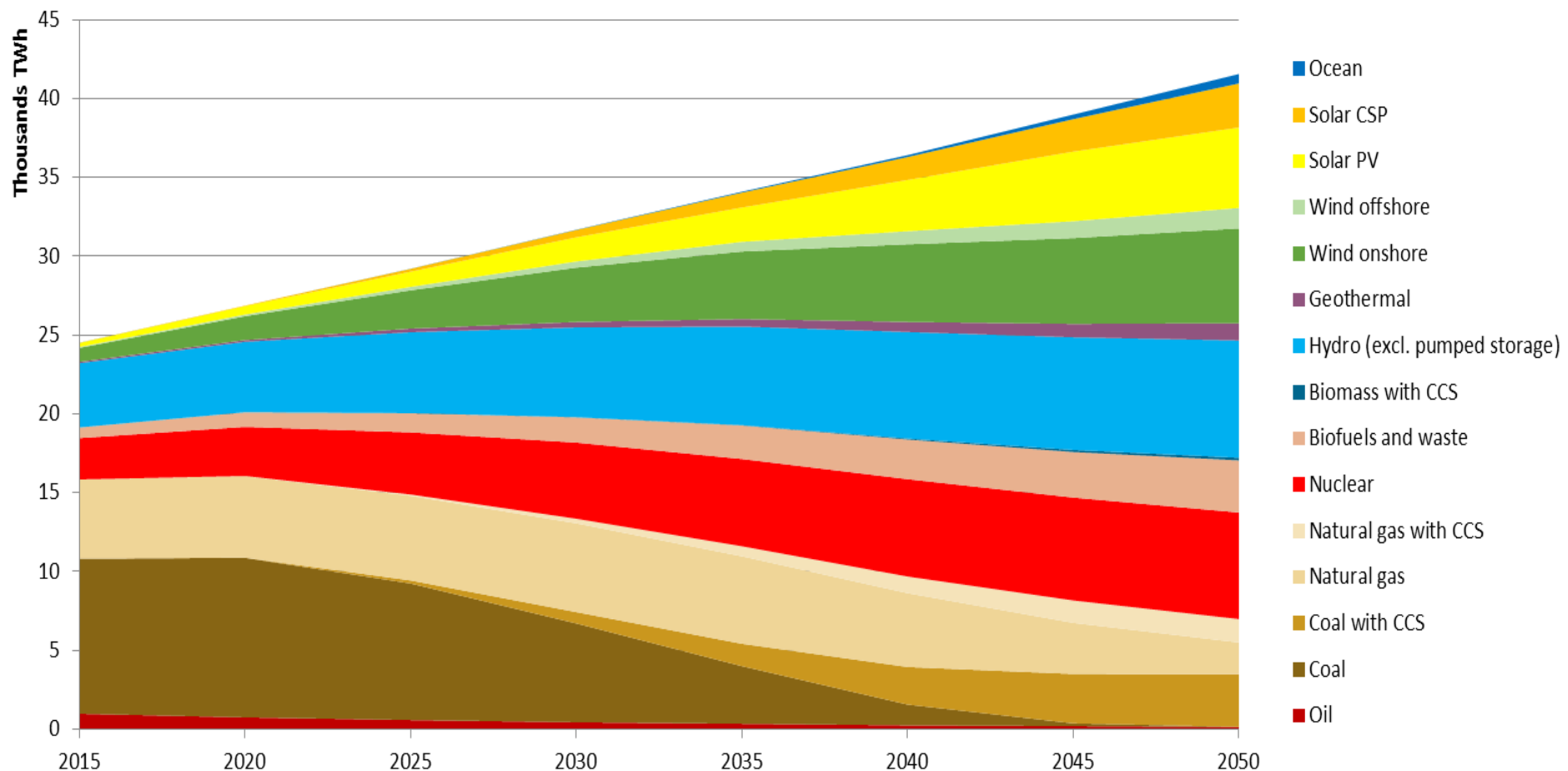
Solar PV and wind generation, 2040



Stronger policies on solar PV and wind help renewables make up 37% of electricity generation in 2040 in our main scenario – & nearly 60% in the 2 °C scenario

Global electricity mix changes in the 2DS

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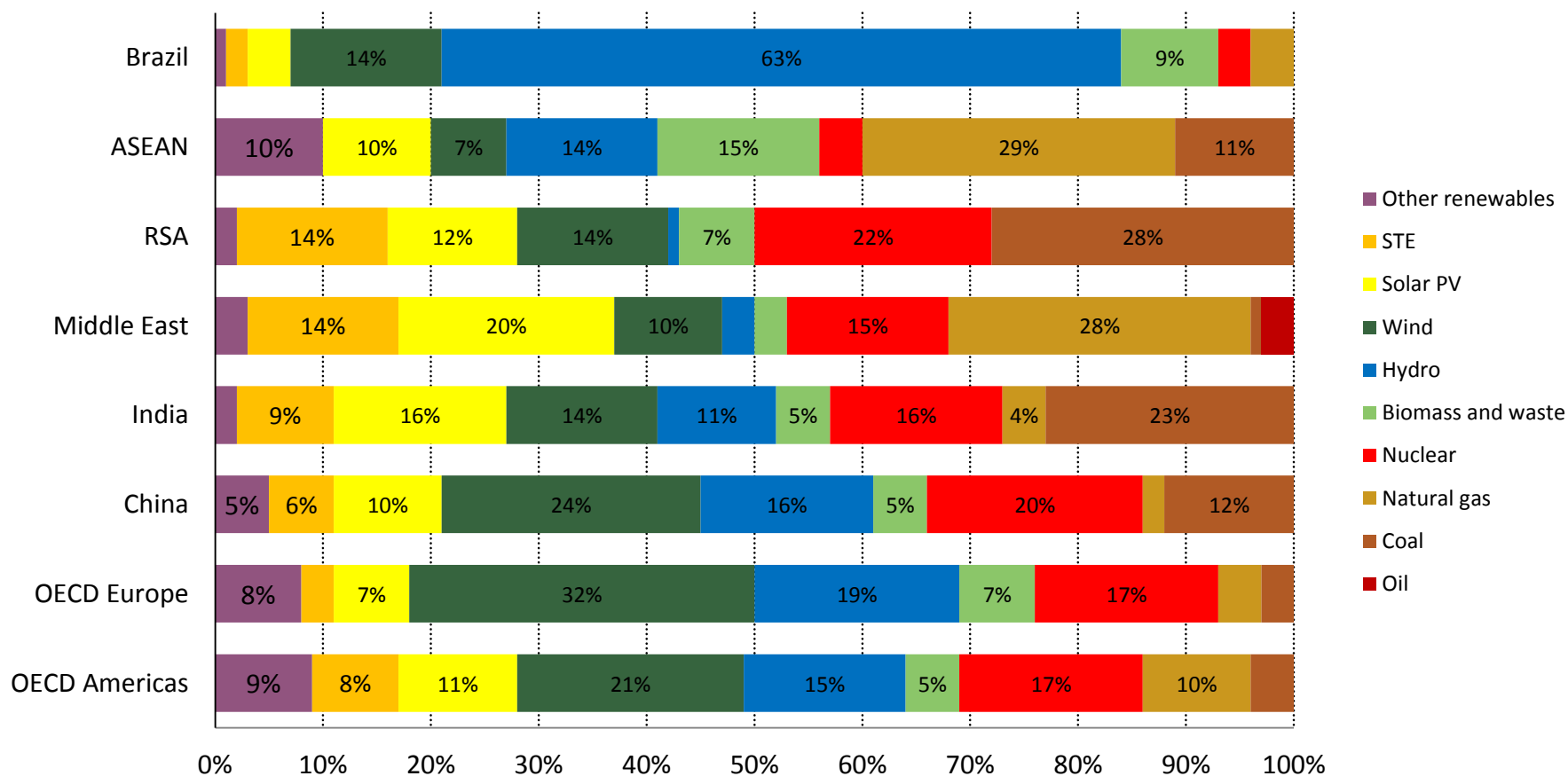


A shift reversal is needed with renewables providing over 60% of global electricity by 2050 or before

Electricity mixes by 2050 in the 2DS vary widely

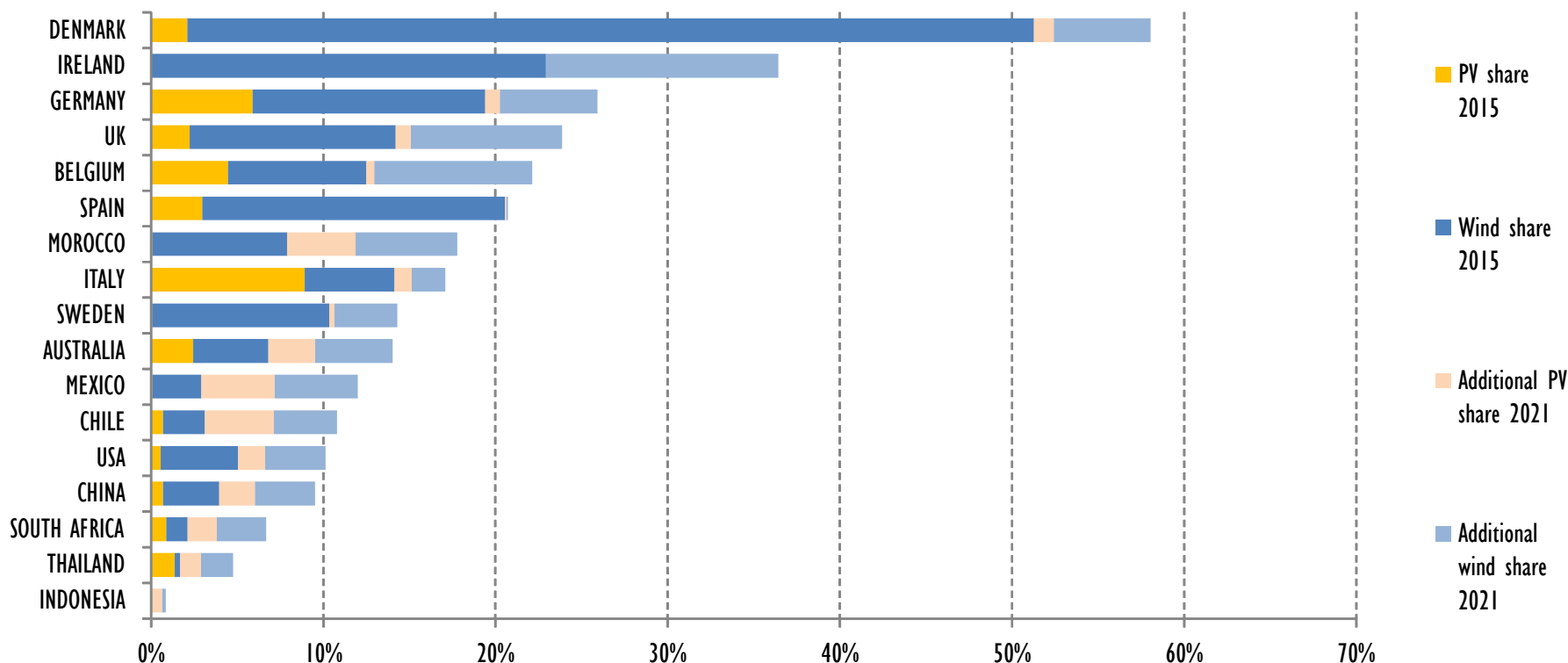
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Electricity mixes by 2050 in the 2DS in selected regions



Resources and shape of the demand explains the variations

Large shares of VRE in some countries



■ Experience in a number of countries available how to integrate significant shares of VRE

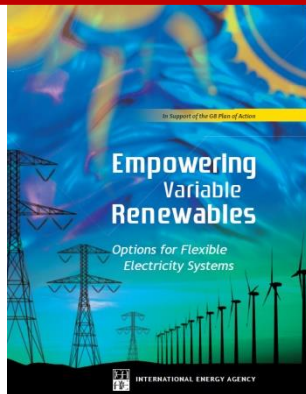
■ According to latest available forecasts in 2021:

● VRE is forecasted to exceed 20 % of annual generation in at least 6 countries

● Double-digit shares becoming new normal for many power systems

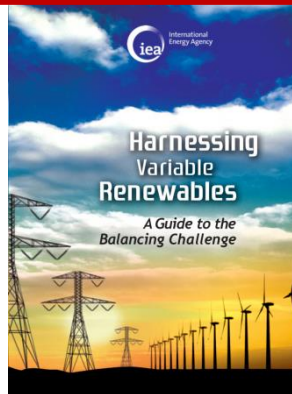
IEA GIVAR: to date

2008



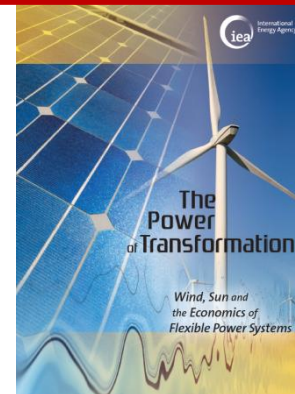
Fundamentals

2011



Technical

2014



Economic

2016



Link to policy

- **Grid Integration of Variable Renewables (GIVAR) programme**
- **Global expert network covering policy making, engineering and modelling analysis, including IEA Technology Collaboration Programmes (TCPs)**
- **Analysis based on extensive research on current global state of play and sophisticated modelling tools**
- **System Integration of Renewables unit created within RED, June 2016**

Phases of VRE system integration

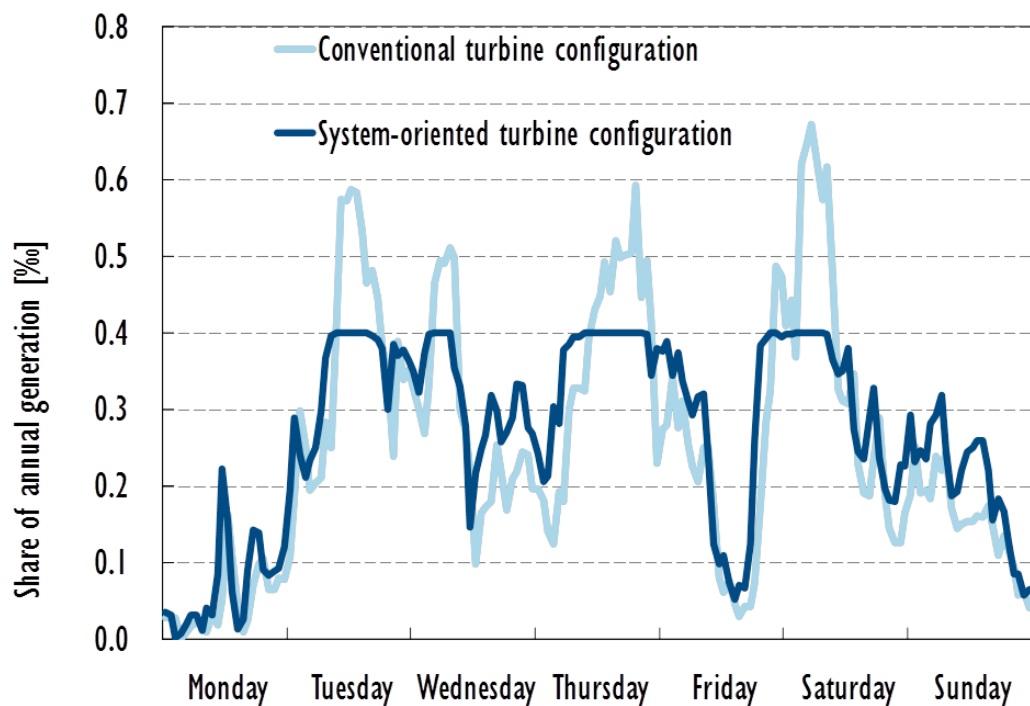
Phase	Description
1	VRE capacity is not relevant at the all-system level
2	VRE capacity becomes noticeable to the system operator
3	Flexibility becomes relevant with greater swings in the supply/demand balance
4	Stability becomes relevant. VRE capacity covers nearly 100% of demand at certain times
5	Structural surpluses emerge; electrification of other sectors becomes relevant
6	Bridging seasonal deficit periods and supplying non-electricity applications; seasonal storage and synthetic fuels

Increasing variable RE will need more system flexibility

**1) Foster
System-friendly
RE**

**2) Better
market design
& operation**

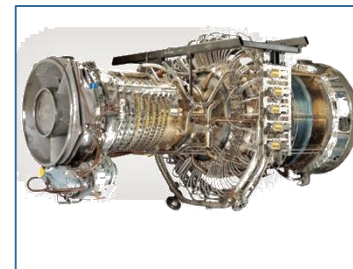
**3) Increase flexibility of
other power system
components**



Grids



Generation



Storage



Demand Side



Next Generation Wind and Solar Power



- **New phase of wind and solar deployment:**
 - Low-cost
 - Technologically mature
- **Requires new policies to achieve integration:**
 - Focus on generation cost no longer enough
 - Policies need to consider system-wide impact
- **Case studies with specific recommendations:**
 - Brazil, China, Indonesia, Mexico, South Africa
- **Strong focus on country implementation**



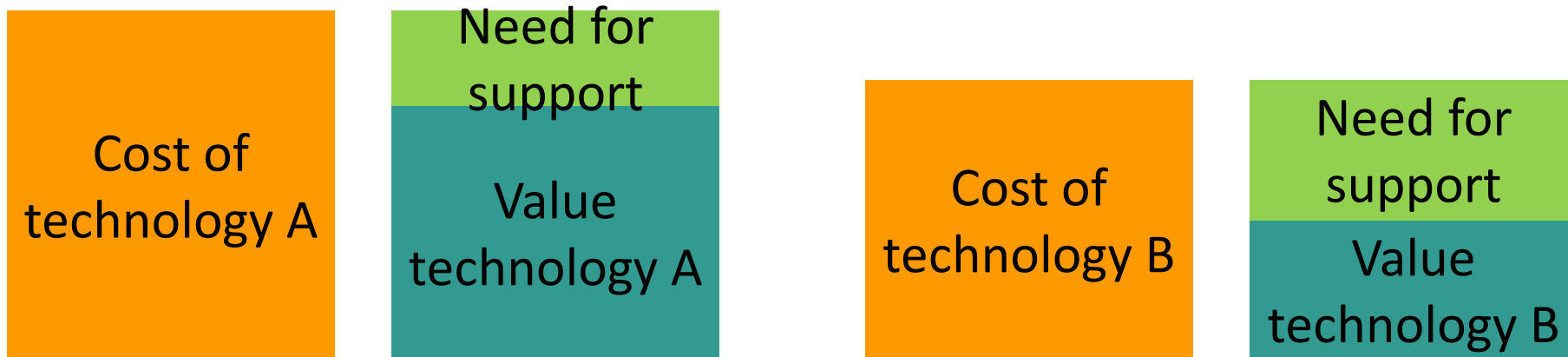
Key point

Next-generation wind and solar PV need 'next-generation policies' focusing on system value and not just costs.

Next generation policies

- Policy and market frameworks must seek to maximise the net benefit of wind and solar power to the overall power system.
 - A more expensive project may be preferable if it provides a higher value to the system.

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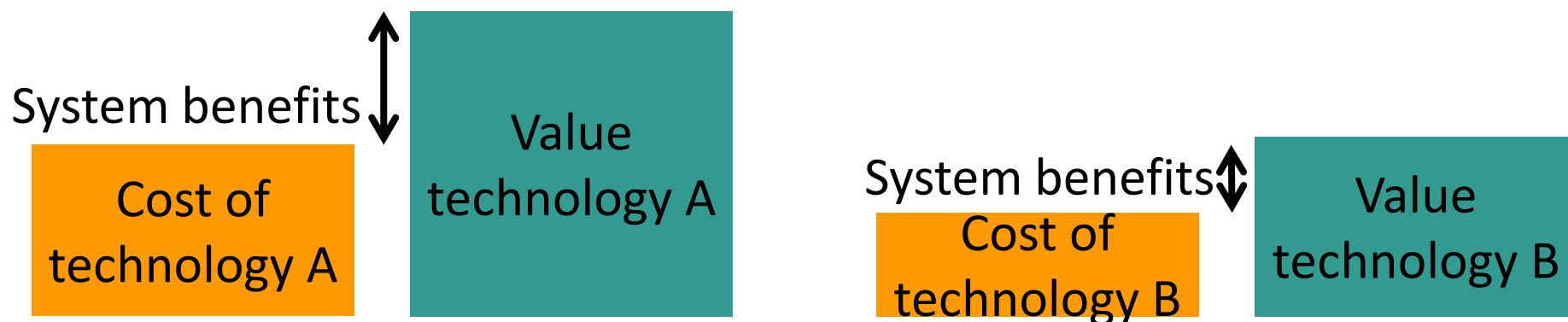
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Despite its lower cost, technology B will deliver lesser benefits than technology A

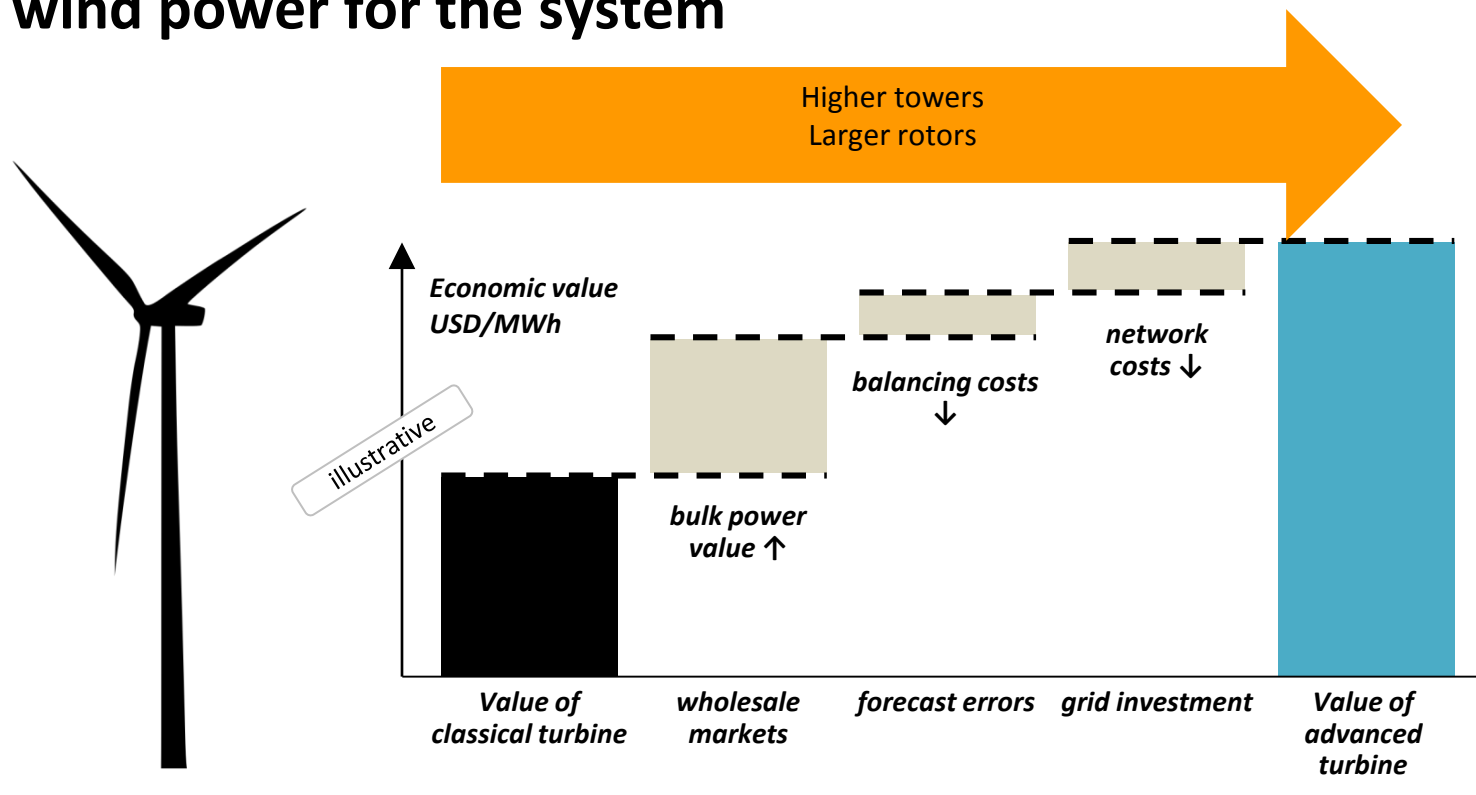


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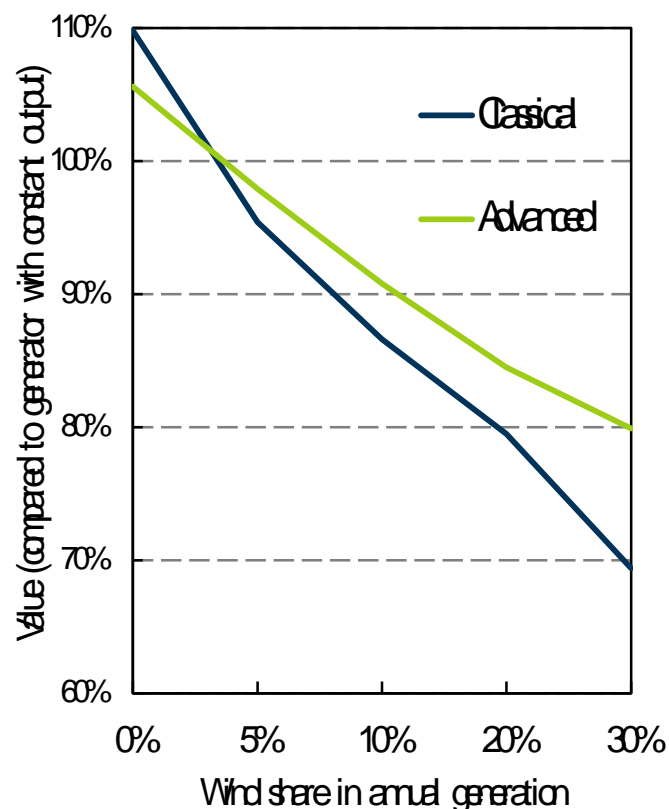
Modelling study of North-West Europe: Value of onshore wind

- Increased rotor size (at the same nameplate capacity) and larger towers makes output less variable
- This advanced technology can increase the value of wind power for the system

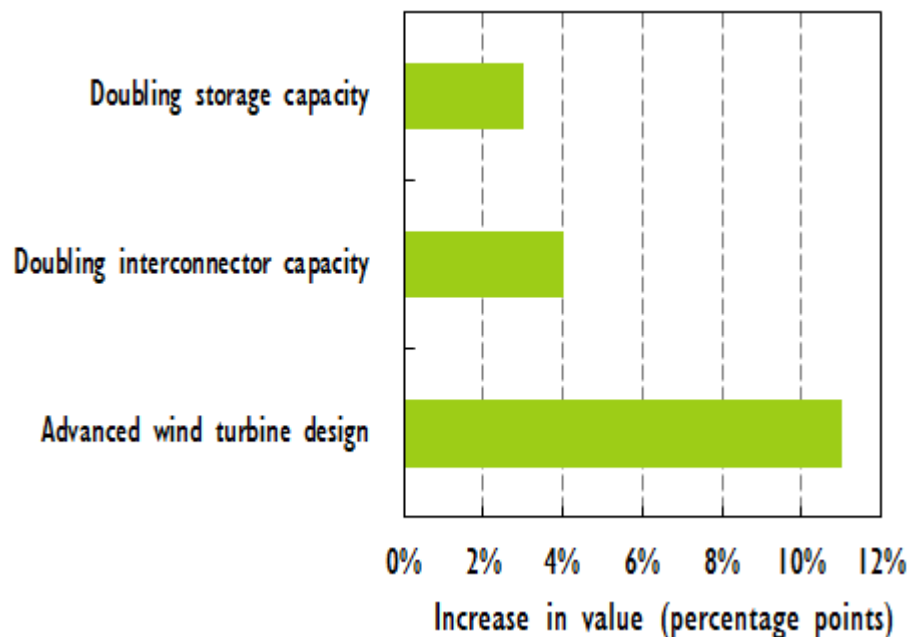


Main results

Value of wind power at different shares



Effect of different flexibility options on value of wind power

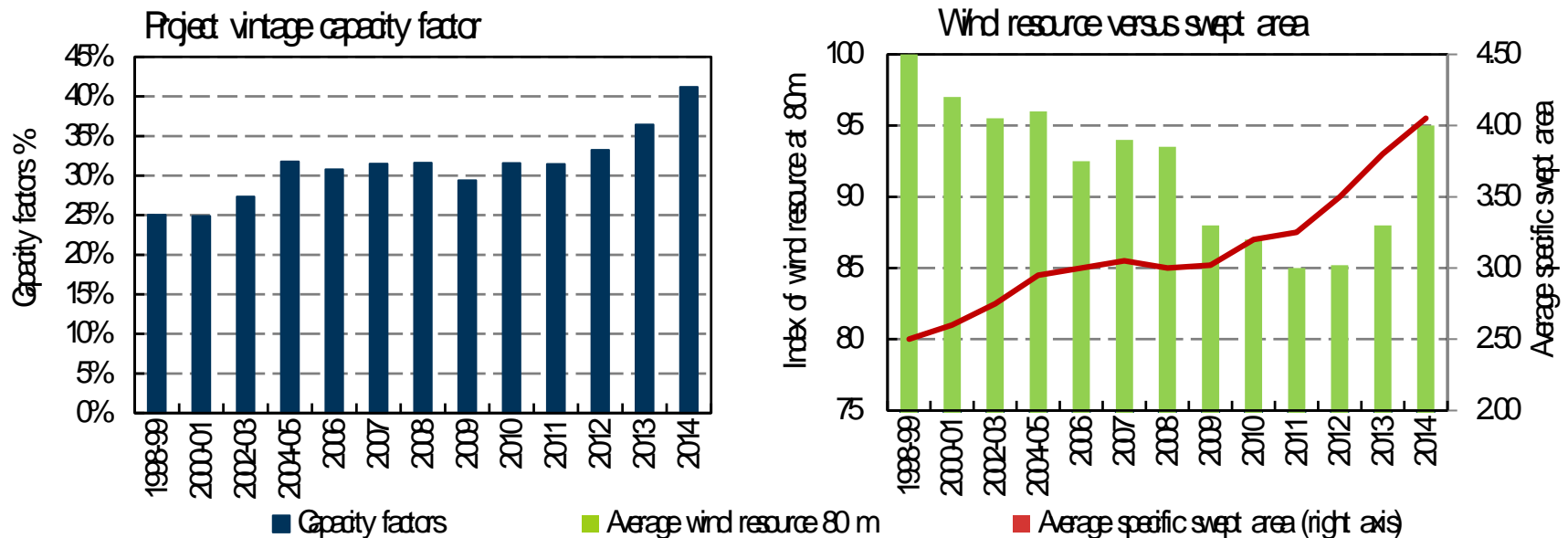


Key point:

Using advanced wind turbine technology has a large, positive impact on system value compared to other flexible resources; gross annual savings in simulation for North-West Europe at 30% wind range between 19-44 bn USD.

Onshore wind: increased resource base and growing capacity factors

Capacity factor, wind resource and swept area, USA

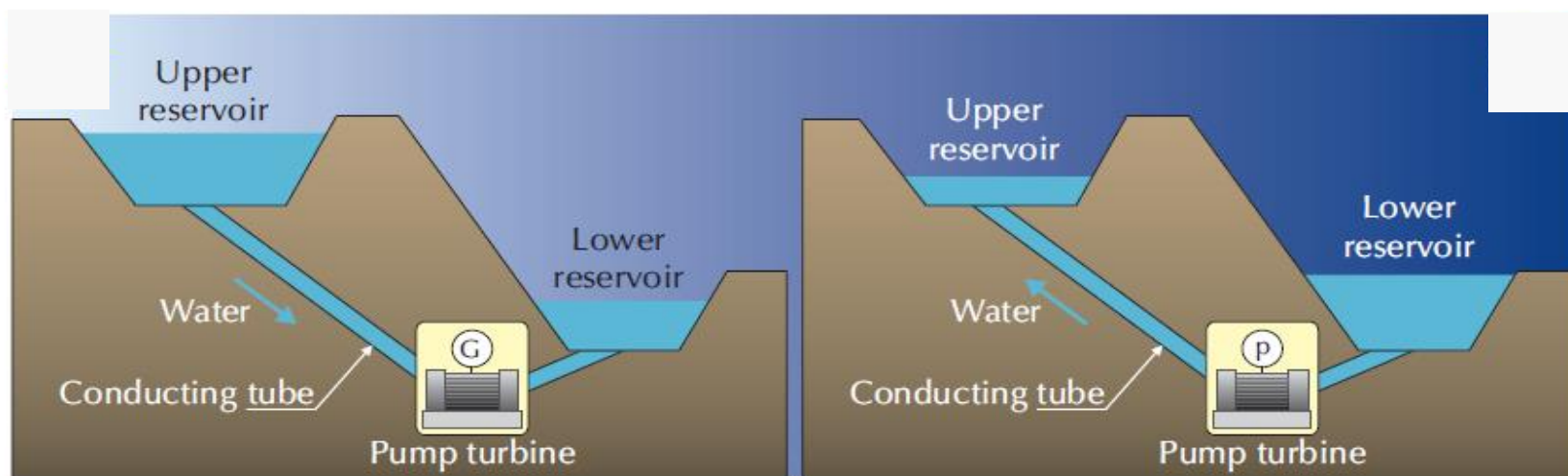


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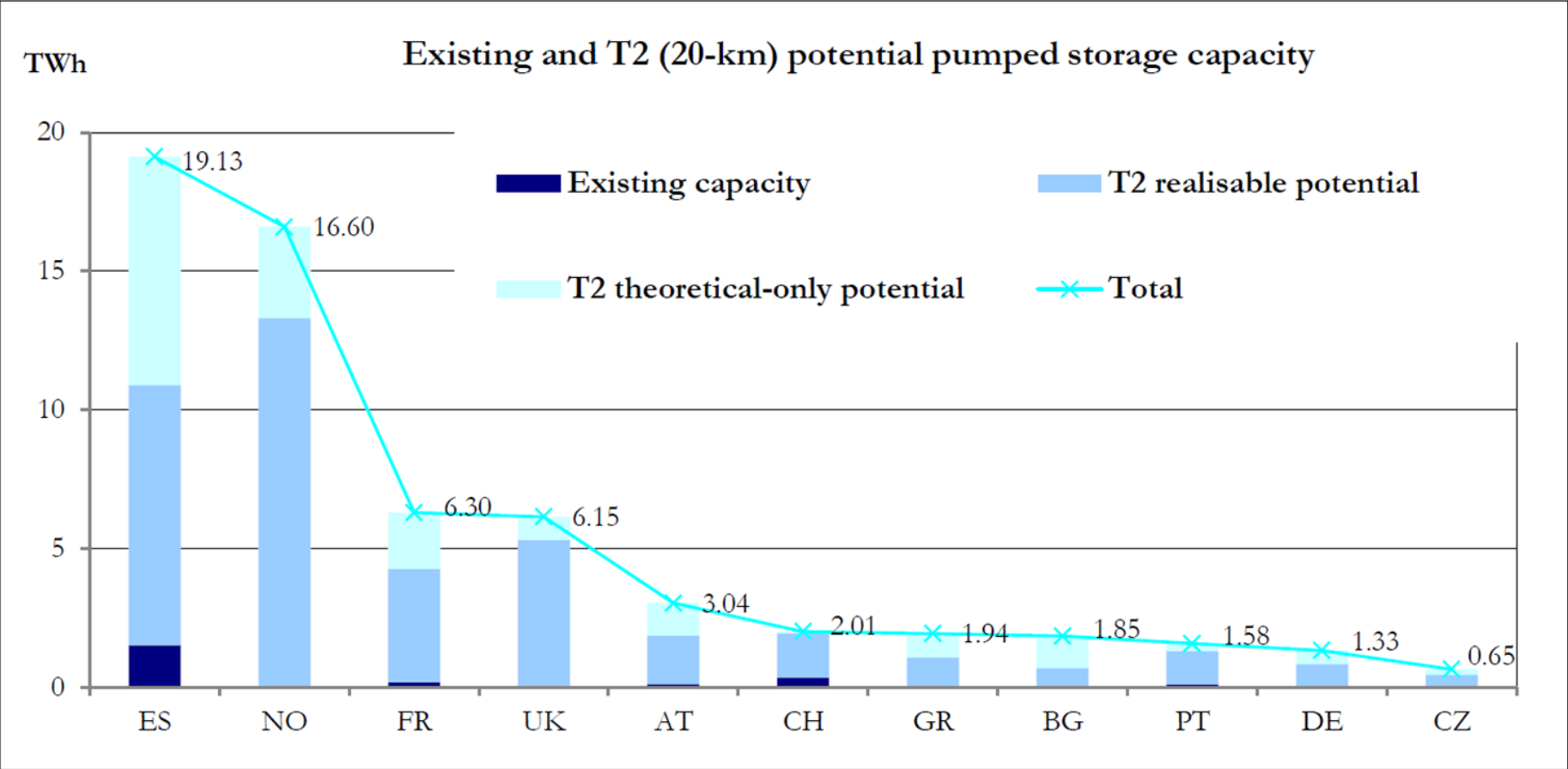
Modern wind turbine technology in the United States has supported deployment in lower-resource areas and increased capacity factors.

PSP: >90% of current on-grid storage

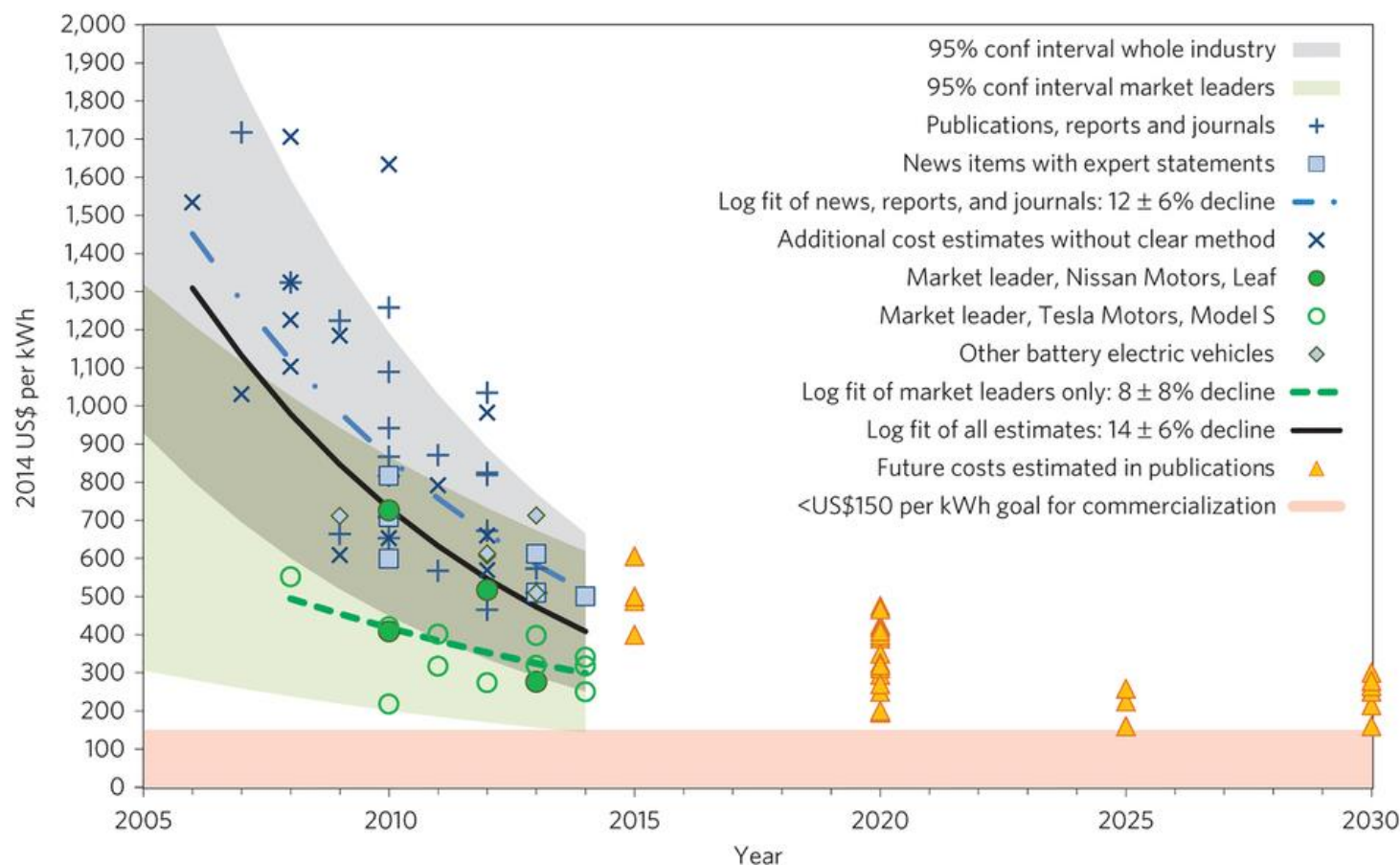
- Pumped-hydro plants the reference solution
 - 140 GW in service, 50 GW in development
- PSP developed from existing hydro plants
 - “off-stream” or “pumped-back” schemes
 - Small energy volumes but large power capacities
 - Daily/weekly storage does not require large areas



Still large potential for new-built PSH plants

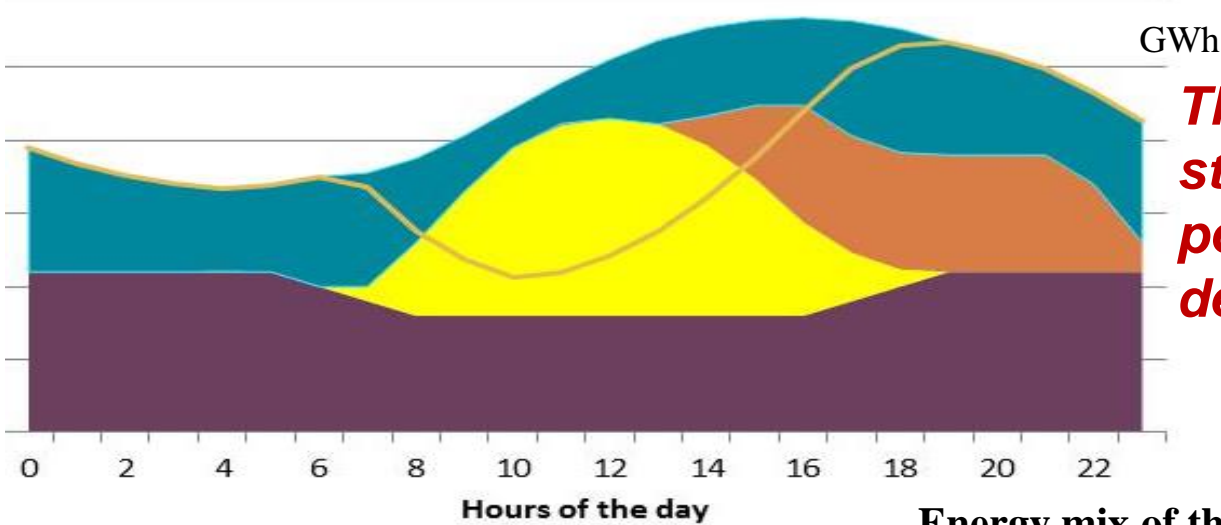


Battery cost trends – a breakthrough in sight?



PV et CSP complement each other

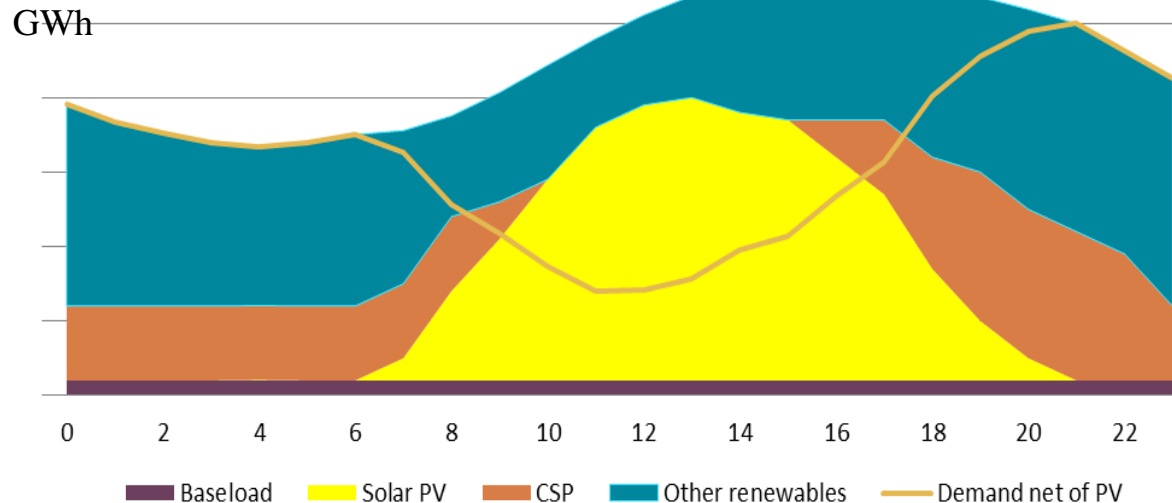
Energy mix of the power sector in a sunny country, 2030



Thanks to built-in thermal storage CSP plants generate power after sunset as demand peaks

Energy mix of the power sector in a sunny country, 2050

Baseload Solar PV CSP Mid-merit Demand net of PV



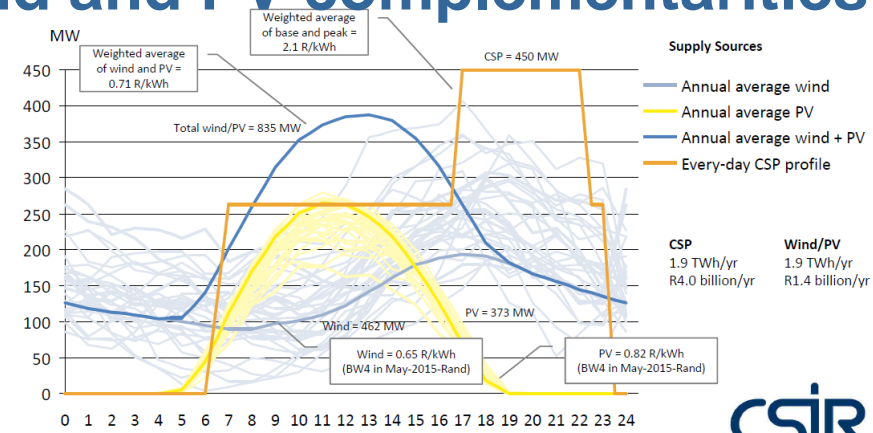
As PV saturates diurnal power demand and emissions must be further reduce, CSP plants generate during all hours... when the sun does not shine

Multiple competing options

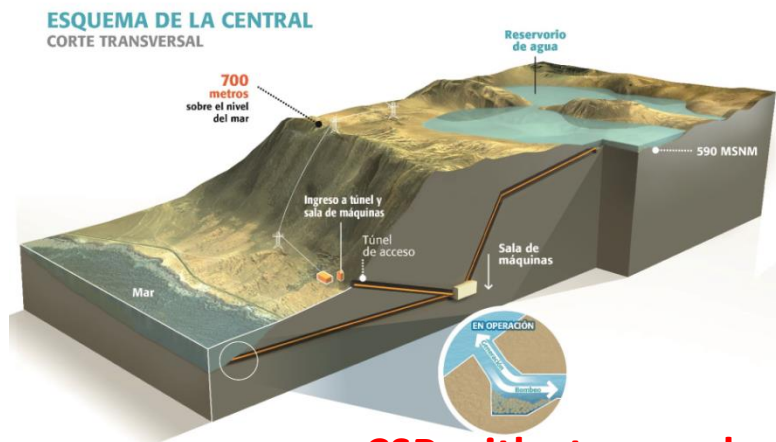
East-West orientation of PV



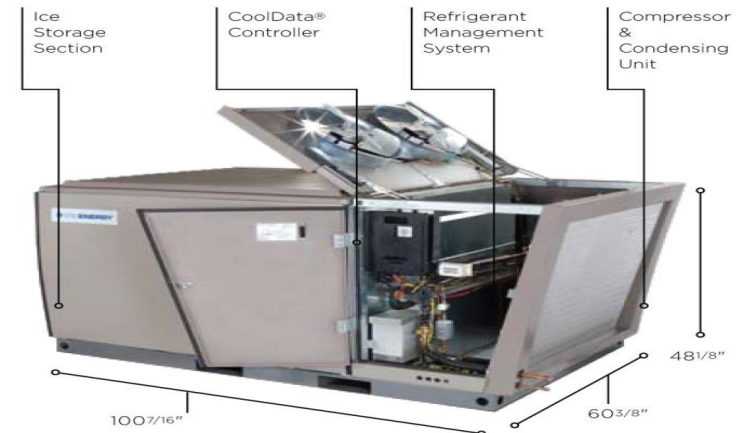
Wind and PV complementarities



Hydro and pumped-hydro power

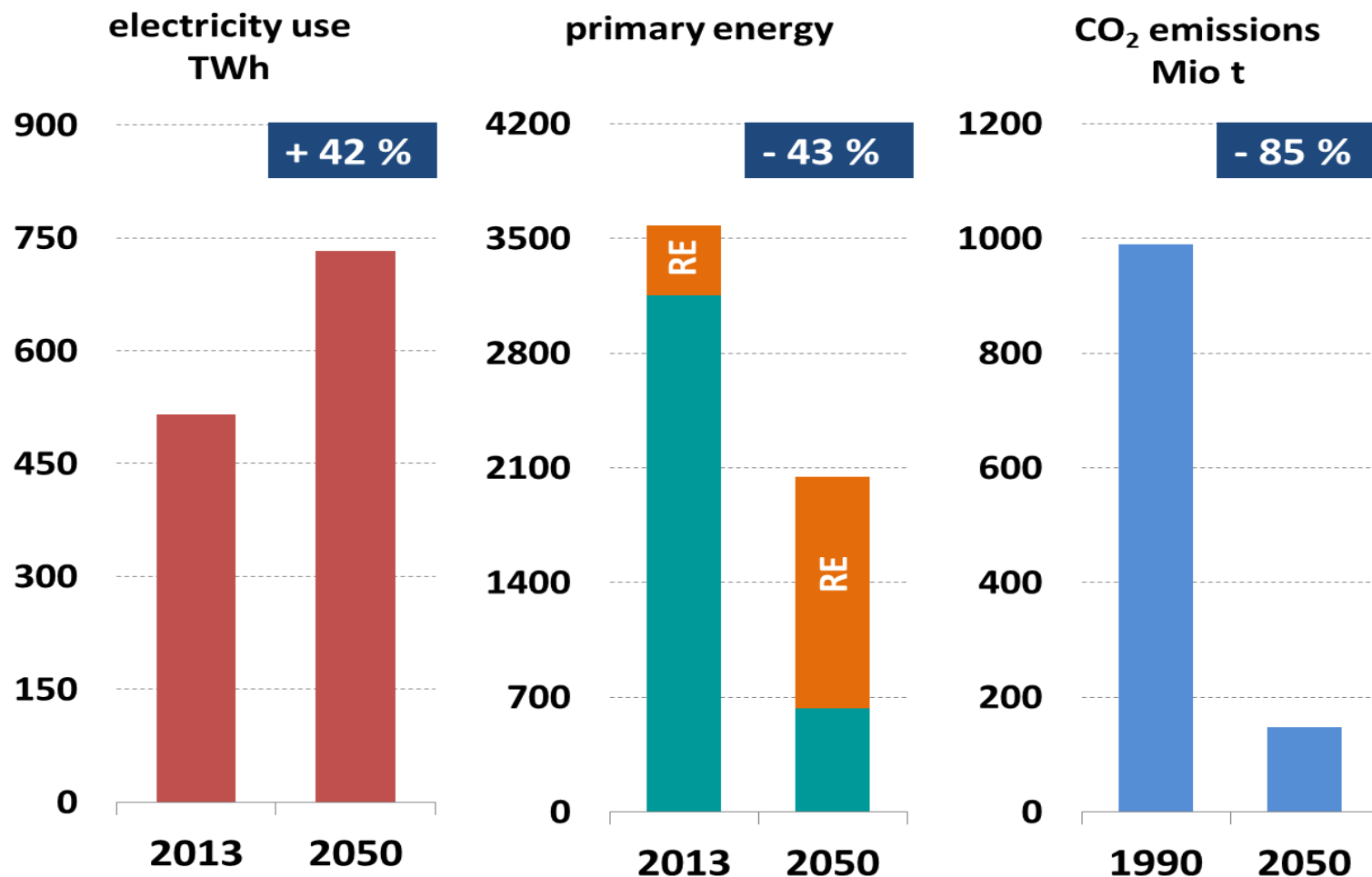


Demand-side response



CSP with storage does not offer the only way to mitigate the variability of the solar resource

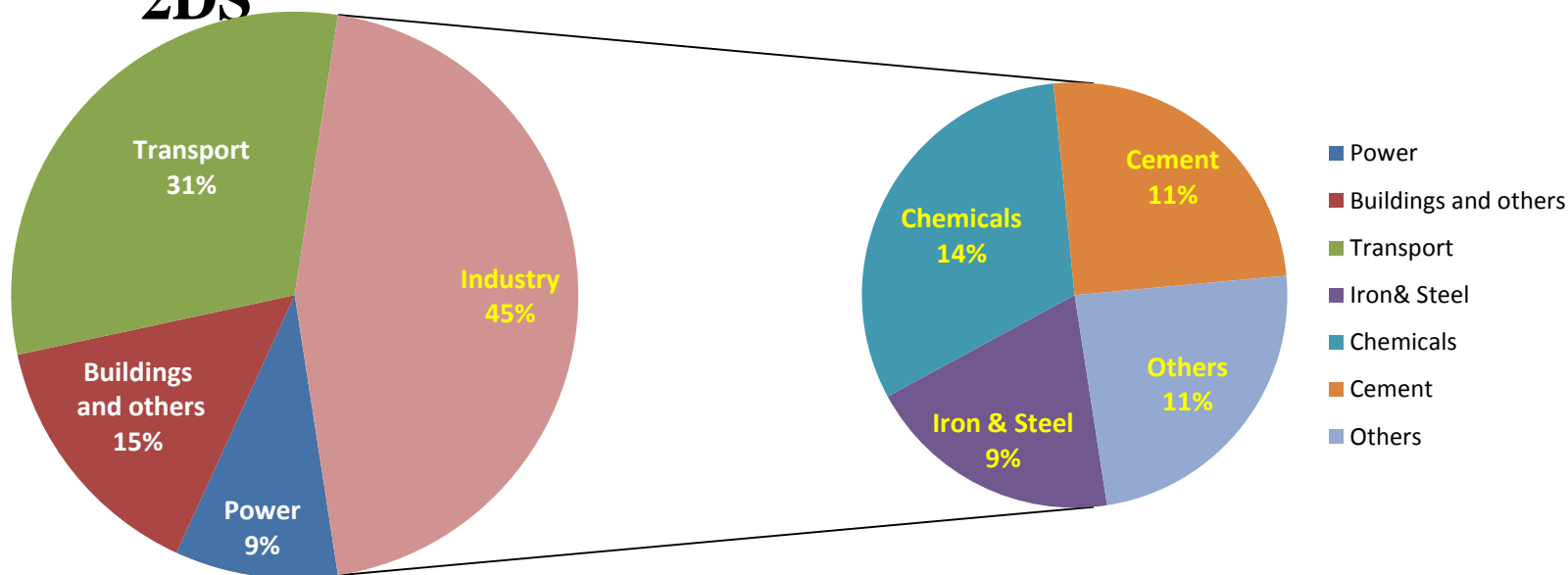
Massive electrification is an option



Modelling by Fraunhofer ISE suggests deep decarbonisation of Germany based on massive electrification of end-use sectors

Materials represent a major issue

Direct CO₂ emissions from industry by 2050 in the 2DS

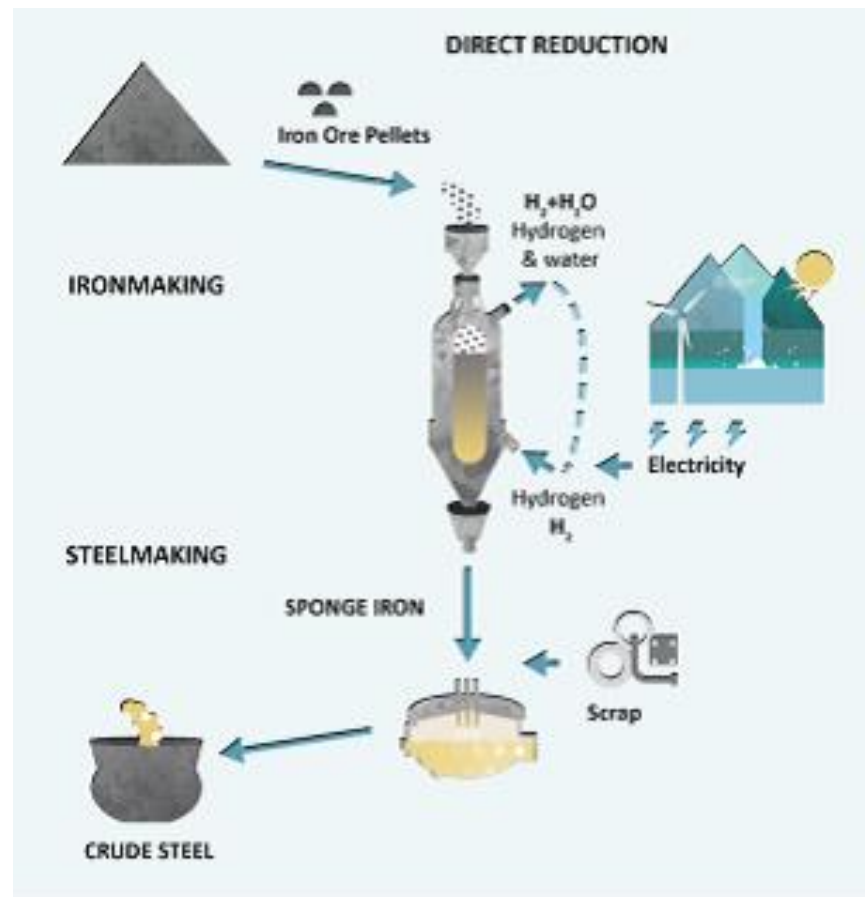


Iron and steel, chemicals and cement manufacturing responsible for the bulk of remaining emissions in 2050

Electricity – and hydrogen

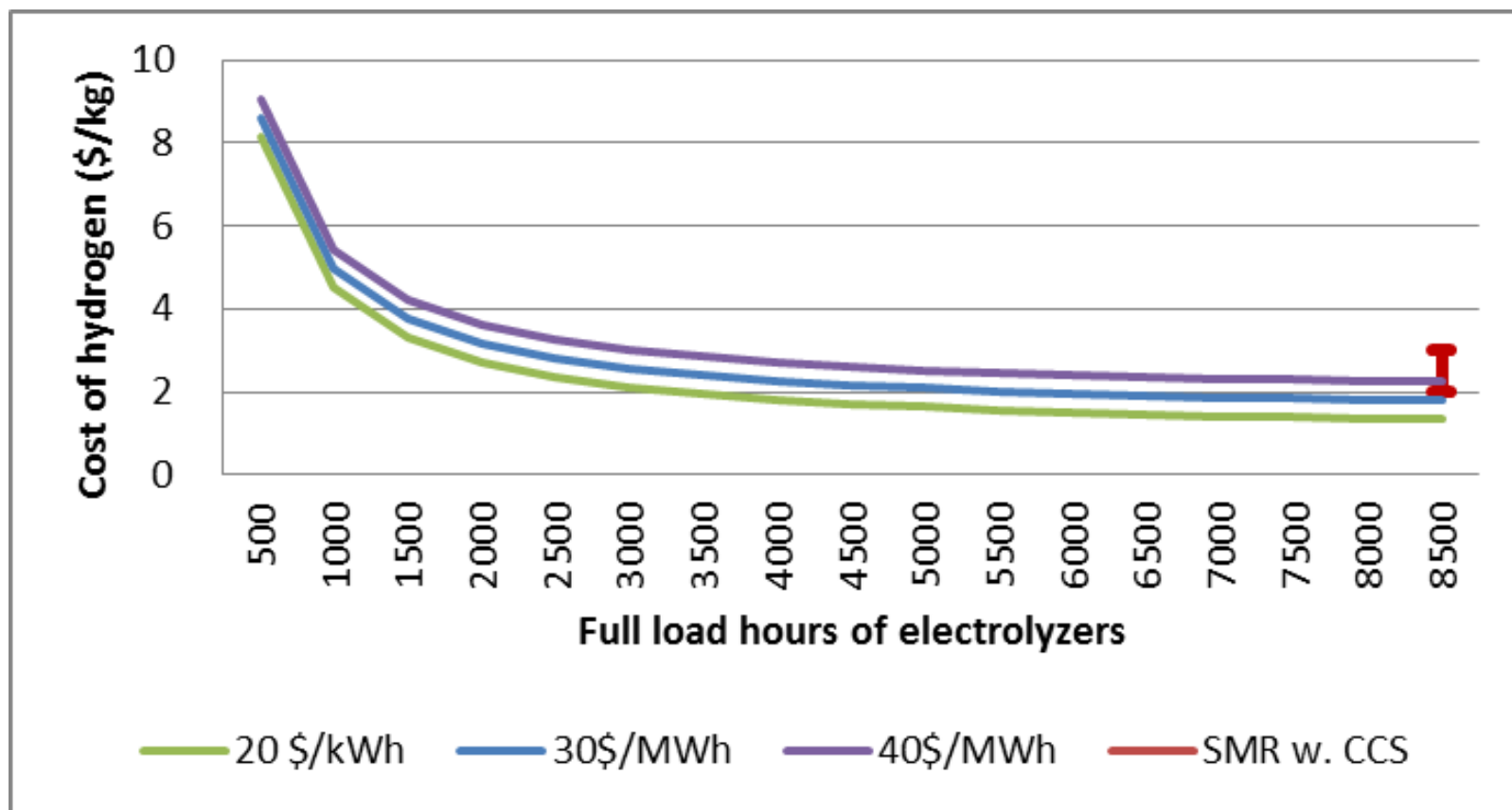
CO₂-free steel making options:

- Direct iron reduction with hydrogen from renewables and electric arcs (Hybrit Projekt)
- Electrolysis/electrowinning (ULCOwin/ULCOlysis)



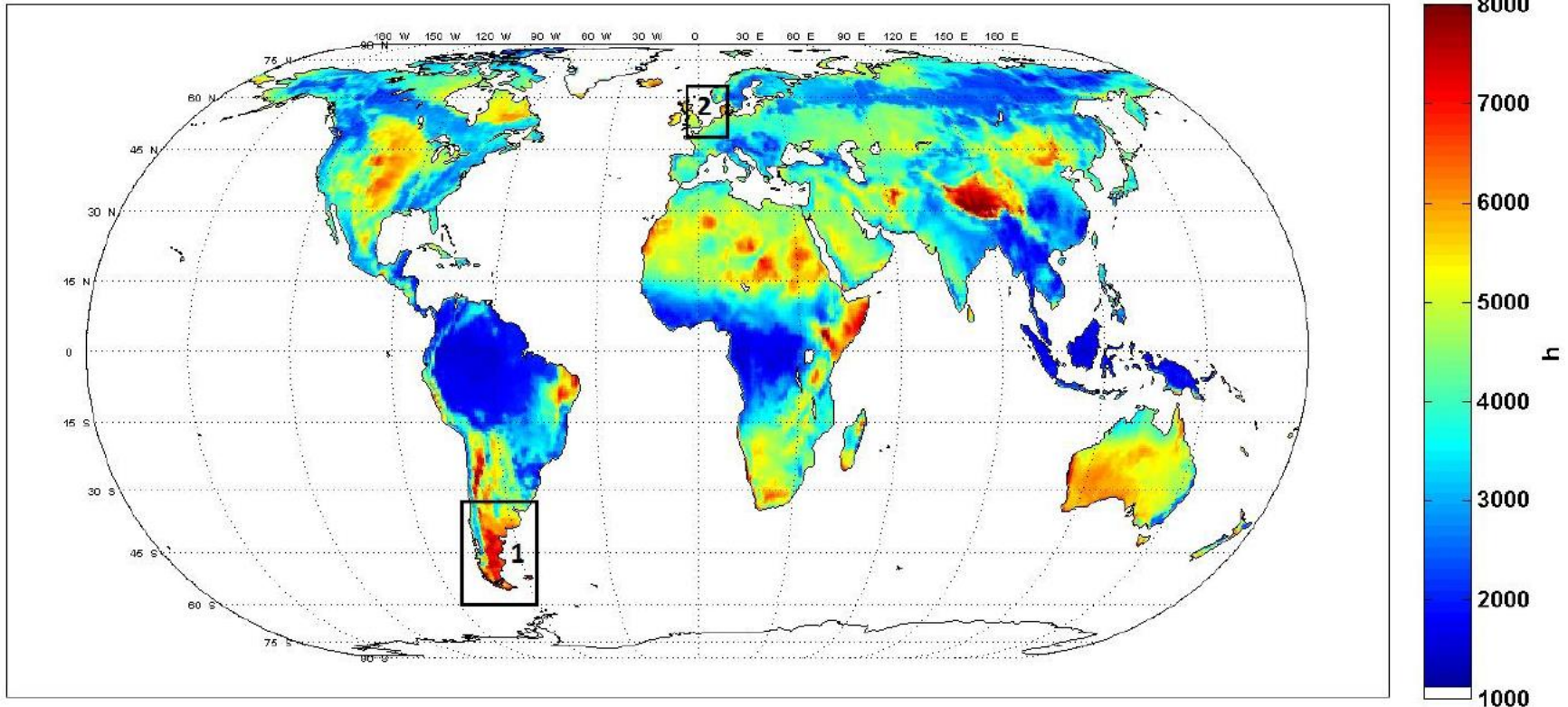
Hydrogen may play multiple roles as energy vector and as processing agent

Renewables-based hydrogen



Renewables-based water electrolysis can compete with steam reforming of fossil fuels in areas with excellent solar and wind (or HP) resources

Hybrid PV1-Wind cumulative FLh for cost year 2030



1) Patagonia, Argentina:

- Hybrid PV-Wind Power Plant
- CO₂ capture Plant
- Desalination Plant
- PtL Plant

2) Rotterdam, the Netherlands

Marine distance

- Patagonia – Rotterdam: 13,500 km

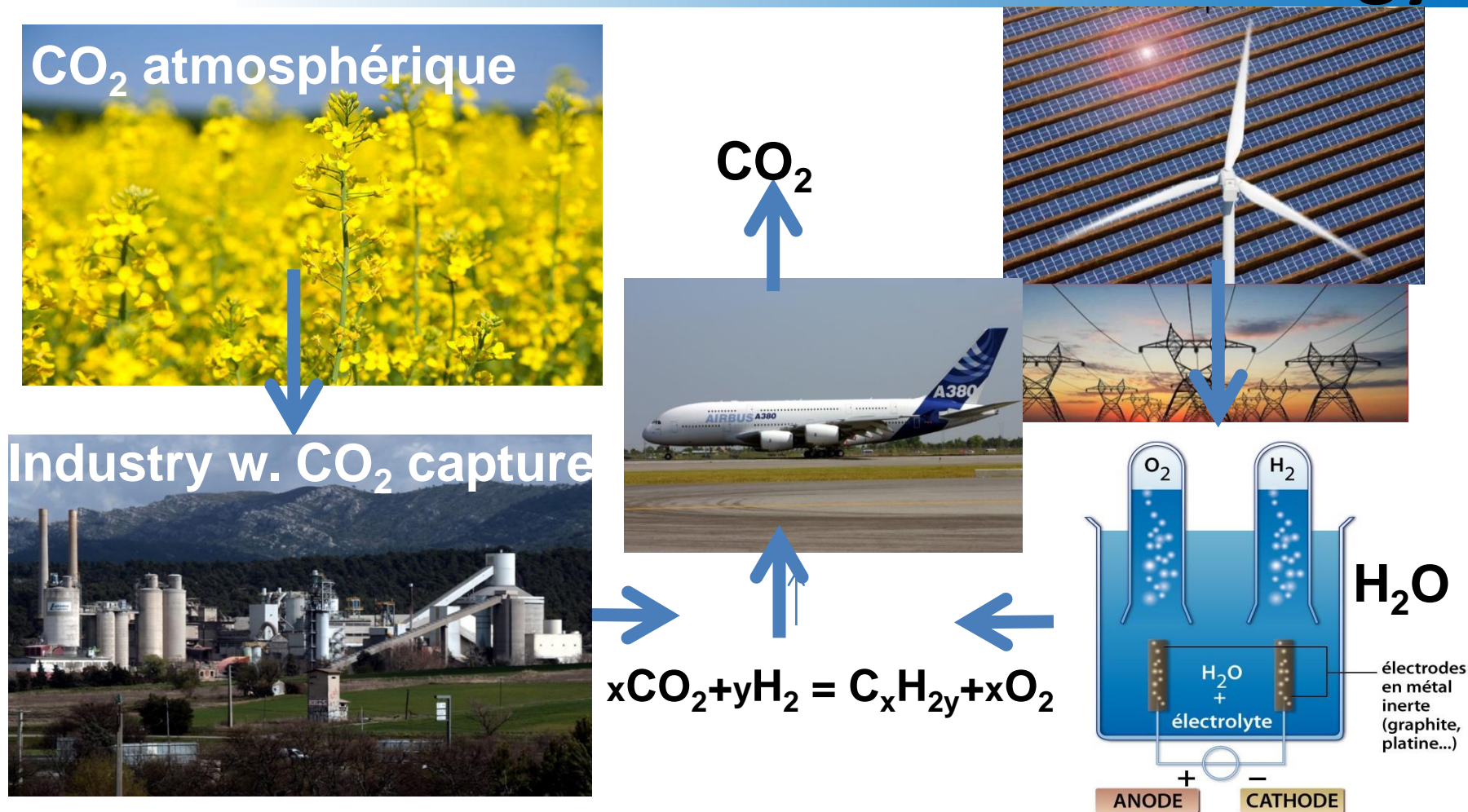


NEO
CARBON
ENERGY

Ammonia, the other hydrogen

- 60 Mt H₂ is produced annually for industrial uses; half is for ammonia, input to fertilizers
- Current hydrogen production is 95% from NG or coal; manufacturing 1 t H₂ emits 10 t CO₂!
- Clean hydrogen requires CCS or renewables-based electrolysis
- Clean ammonia, however, could serve as an energy carrier and store, and be directed to some end-use applications, e.g. balancing power plants

Re-energising CO₂ to prevent more emissions from bioenergy



1 CO₂ unit from atmosphere avoiding 2 CO₂ from fossil fuel use before it returns to the atmosphere