

Renewables as a prospective cornerstone of the future energy mix

Key theses for the report at the round table "Energy mix optimization. Nuclear & RES"



In the future RES will be capable of covering base load and/or semi-peak load demand by becoming more intelligent & more competitive

Key theses

- 1 **Significant installed capacities of renewables** globally, incl. specific countries where they are comparable with base load demand; expected **CAPEX of EUR 7.5 trillion in 2015-2040**

- 2 **Further decrease of LCoE¹⁾ of renewables** due to massive scientific & technical progress (technologies, manufacturing processes, construction techniques)

- 3 **Further increase of technical availability and applicability of RES** due to advancements in electricity storage technologies, fleet footprint approaches, as well as large-scale introduction of Demand Side Management & energy efficiency instruments

- 4 **Further increase of investments into RES from non-energy players** due to the industry's decreasing dependency on state regulation / incentive schemes

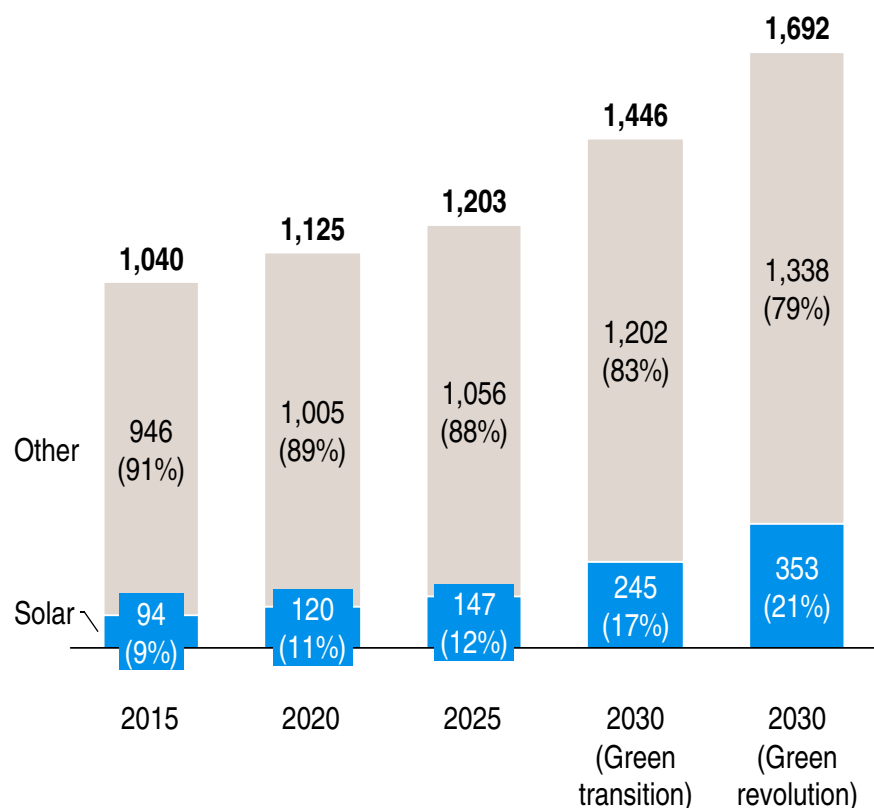
- 5 **Possible shift in the energy system paradigm** – transition from "RES as a peak load capacity" to "RES as a basis of the energy mix"

1) Levelized Cost Of Electricity

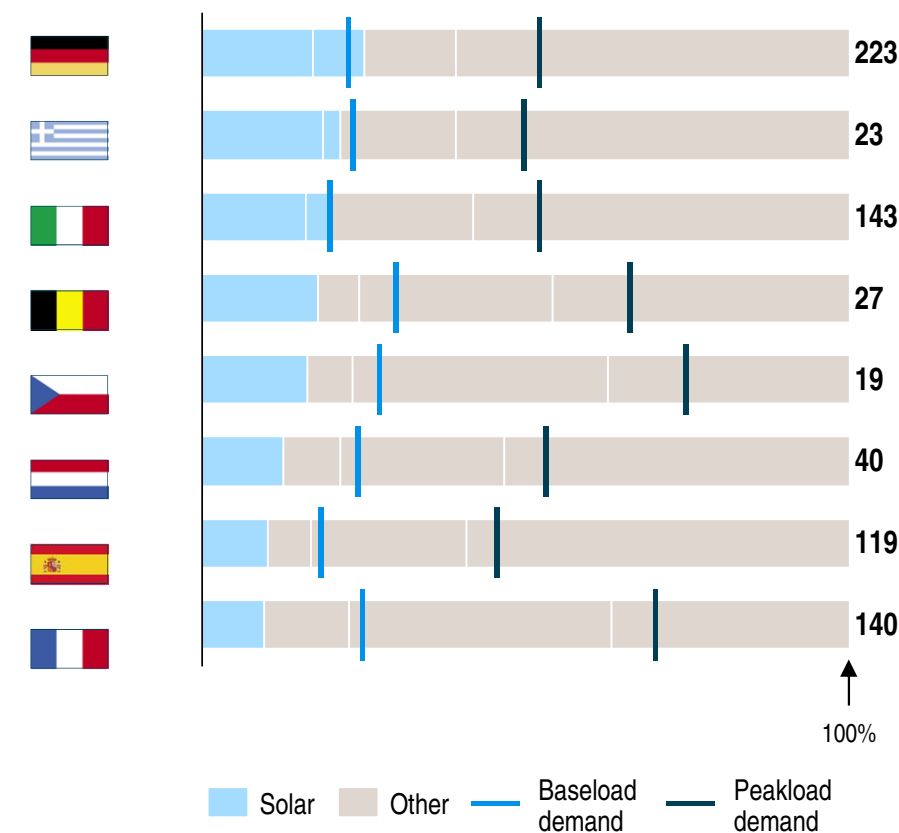
For example, solar PV can reach 12% of EU power-gen capacity by 2025, exceeding baseload demand in some European countries

Renewables share in Europe – Example of solar power

Generation capacity¹⁾ in ENTSOE area [GW]



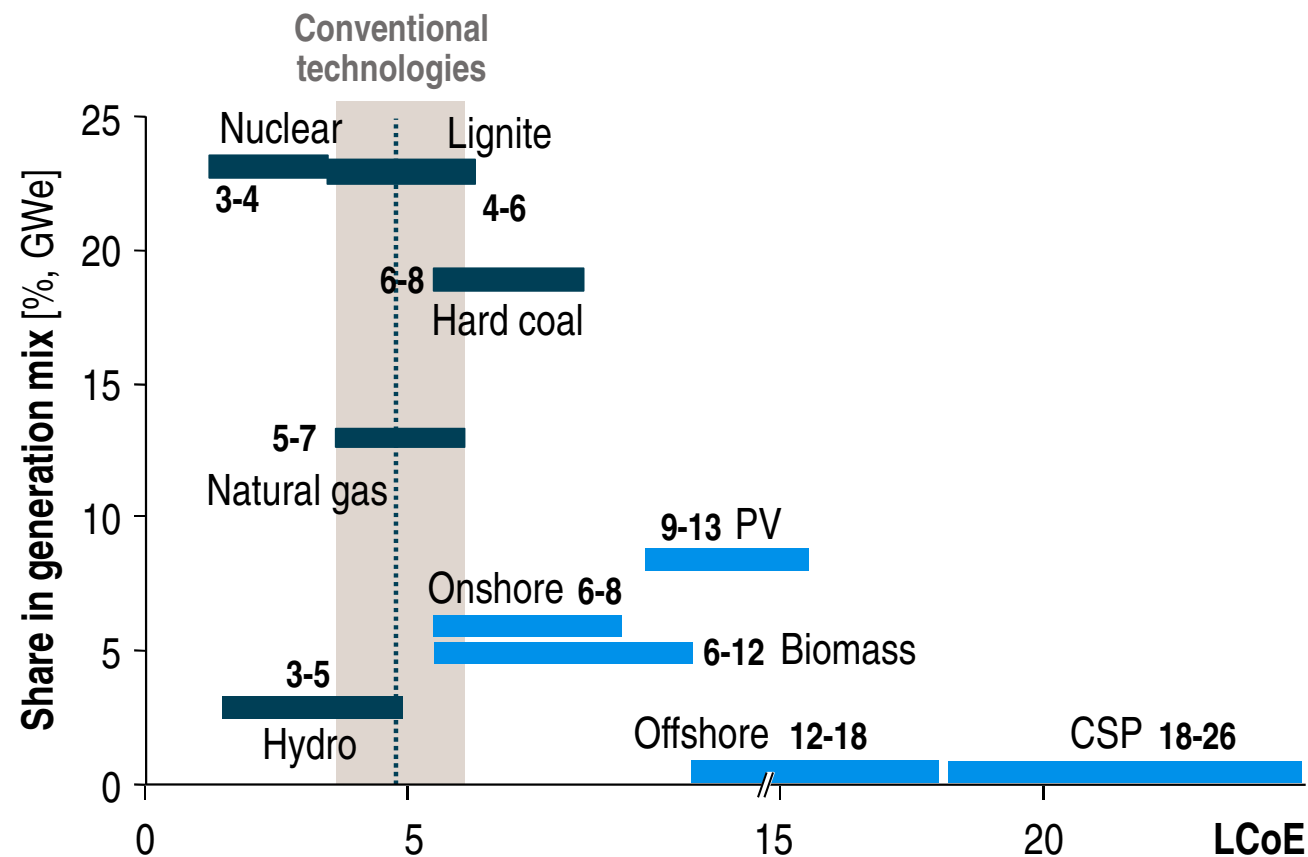
Generation capacity and base and peakload demand in 2025 [GW]



1) Scenario B of ENTSO system adequacy report; UK data taken from the slow progress scenario in the National Grid Future Energy report

Expansion of renewables in Europe led to significant cost decreases over time – LCoE of onshore wind & PV close to cost competitiveness

Levelized cost of electricity in Europe, 2014 [EUR ct/kWh]















Renewables

- > **Gap** between renewables and conventional generation technologies **is decreasing**
- > **Wind onshore** already today **cost competitive** with hard coal and natural gas (although wind onshore LCoE highly dependent on location)
- > Due to technological advance and increasing experience **further reduction in LCoE** particularly in **wind onshore and PV** expected

Example of advancements in offshore wind – new foundation concepts, where the trend towards deeper water is shifting growth to jackets

Technological advancements – Example of offshore wind

Foundation		Realized up to 2015	Outlook	Comments
WATER DEPTH ↓	Gravity based foundations (GBF) 	20%		Depth < 20 meters; less used recently, mostly in shallow water; new GBF concepts under development for depths of 20-40 meters
	Monopile 	75%		Depth 10-30 meters; remains most important foundation type, may lose some ground to other concepts, but new concepts likely to succeed
	Tripile 	1%		Depth 25-50 meters; developed by BARD; large-scale further application unlikely due to high complexity and material needs
	Tripod 	< 1%		Depth 25-50 meters; developed by Areva; large-scale further application unlikely due to high complexity and material needs
	Jacket 	2%		Depth 20-60 meters; expected to gain market share due to great flexibility and low weight (40-50% less steel than monopiles); commercially viable at depths of > 30 meters
	Floating 	< 1%		Depth > 50 meters; currently at R&D stage; significant growth potential, especially for countries with steep shores; no large scale commercial application expected before 2020

Example of advancements in solar PV – new technologies that increase the range of application and the conversion efficiency

Technological advancements – Example of solar power

Developments in solar cells/panels

Developments

- > **Multi-junction cells:** organic, organometallic, inorganic mat.
- > Perovskite combined with silicon
- > **Dye-sensitized solar cells (DSSCs)**
- > Photon **upconversion** or **downconversion**

Impact on installations

- > For installation of panels, no material differences in the type of solar cells/modules is present
- > Higher efficiency increases the range of application of solar PV

New applications

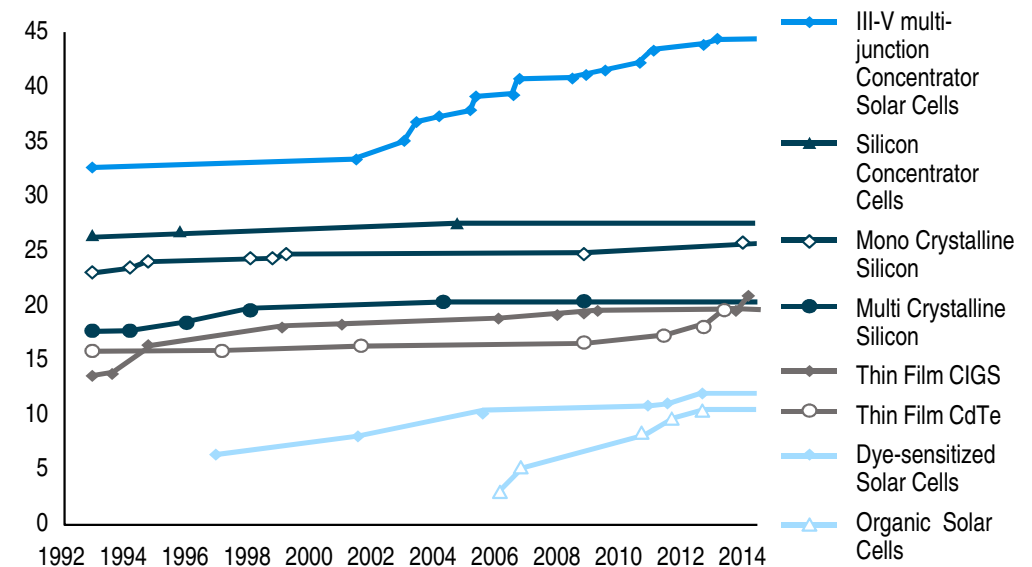
Developments

- > **BIPV:** PV materials incorporated into the construction of new buildings
- > Integration of solar installations with **battery storage**
- > Solar **micro-inverters** attached to each solar panel
- > **Demand-side management** by analysis of consumption profile

Impact on installations

- > More complex installation of system and connection to the grid
- > More complex operations of the solar PV systems
- > Increased need for maintenance

Solar PV efficiency evolution with new materials

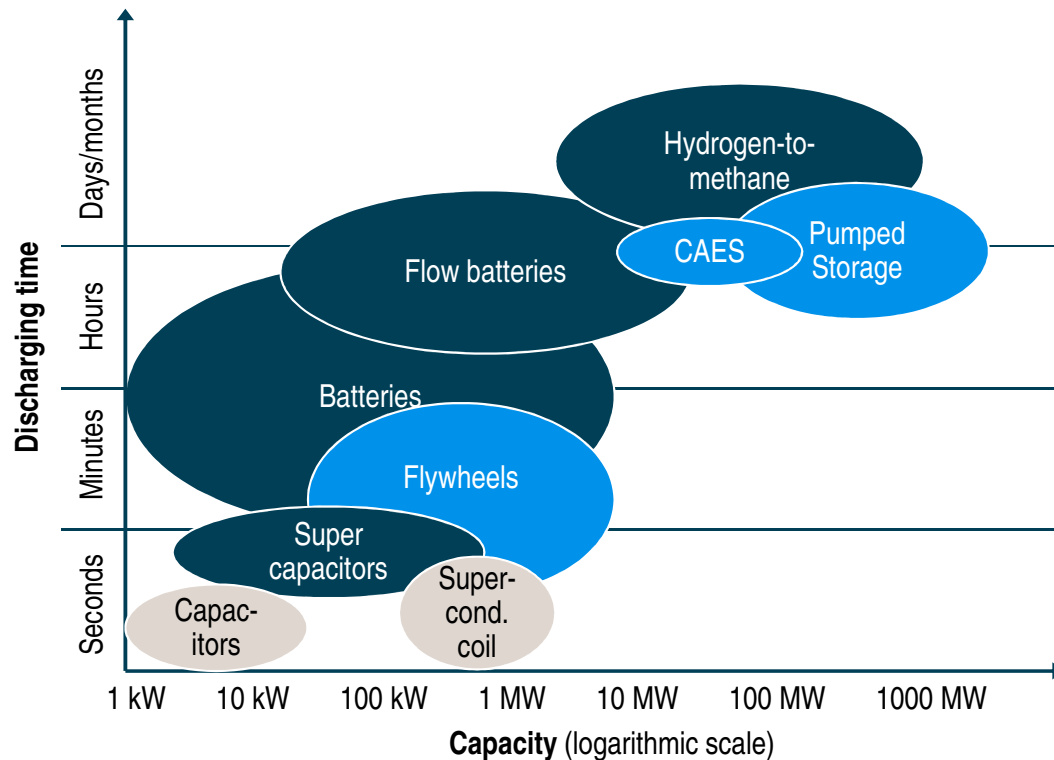


Solar cells materials evolution:

- > **1st gen. :** crystalline silicon, incl. polysilicon and monocrystalline silicon
- > **2nd gen. :** thin film solar cells, incl. amorphous silicon, CdTe and CIGS cells
- > **3rd gen.:** thin-film technologies, incl. organic materials, organometallic compounds as well as inorganic substances

Nowadays several proven electricity storage technologies exist with high capacity and long discharging times

Storage technologies – Discharging time / Capacity



- > Pumped storage, CAES and hydrogen-to-methane storage represent the only technologies with **high capacity and long discharging times**
- > Batteries already have storage capacities of several megawatts and are ideal for **backup power system support**
- > Flow batteries have the potential to further **increase discharging times**
- > Direct electrical storage with capacitors or superconducting coils can be realized only with small capacities and with very short discharging times

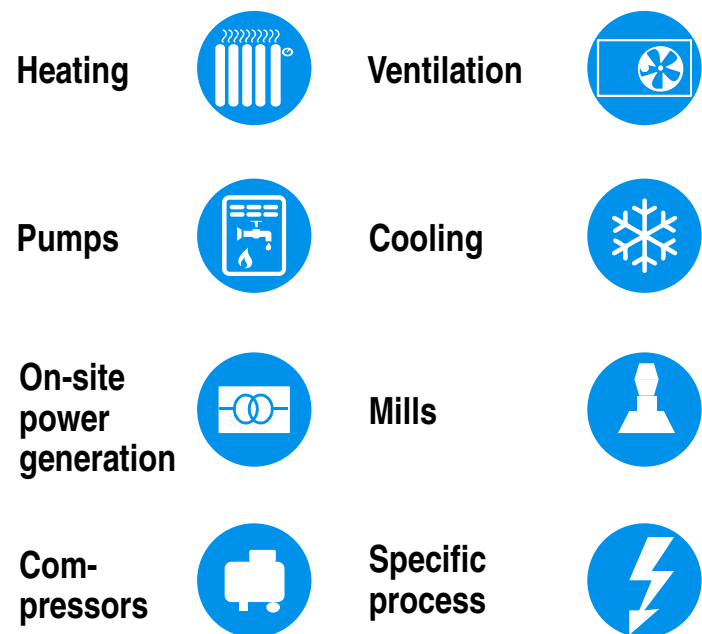
 Mechanical storage
  Electrochemical storage
  Electrical storage

Demand Side Management helps tackle utilities' real-time imbalances from intermittent renewables and reduce industrials' energy bills

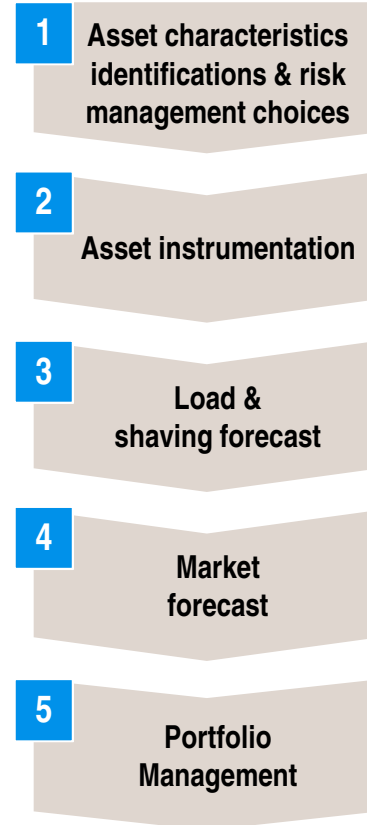
Demand Side Management – Overview

Illustrative

Load optimization options



Value chain steps

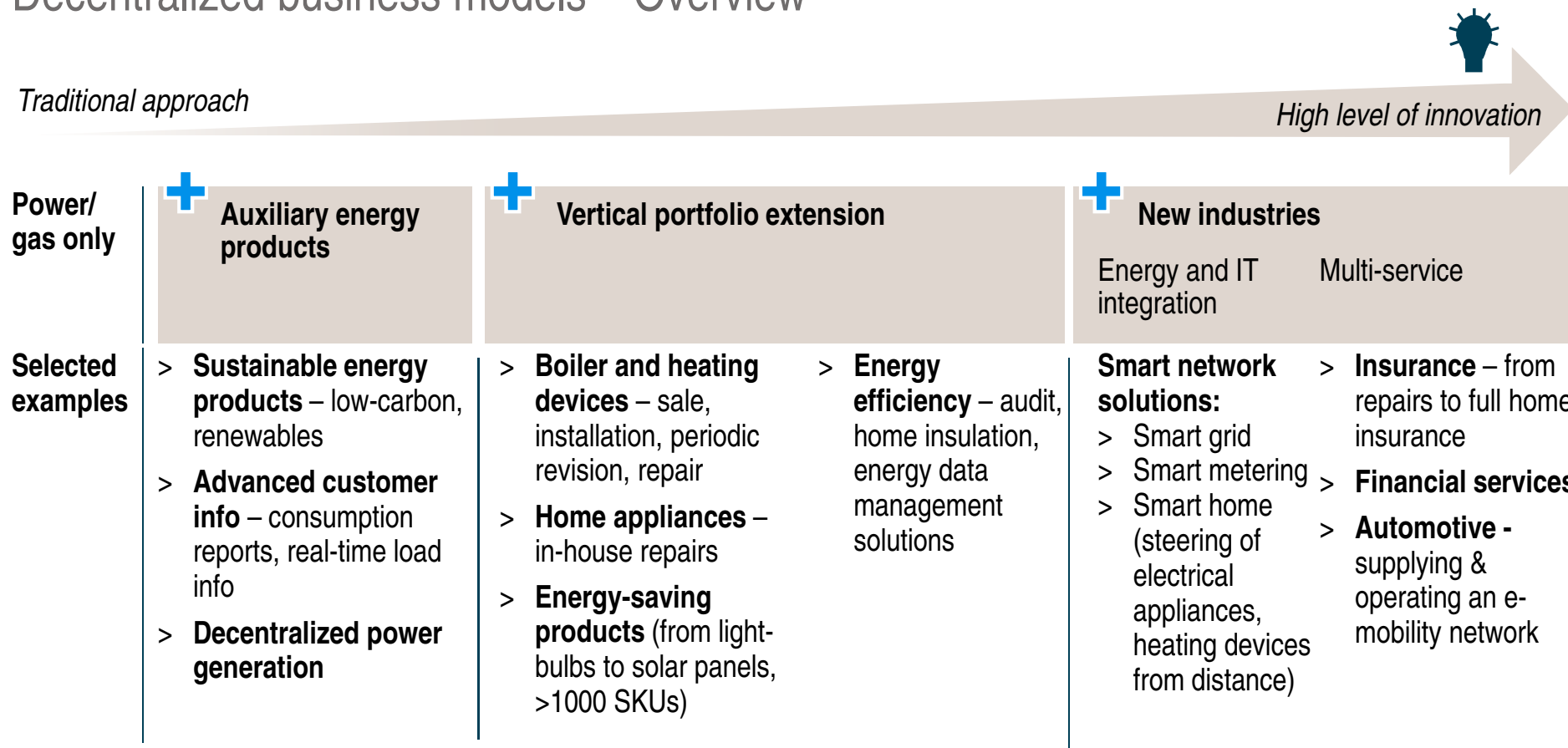


Competences required

- > Identify asset flexibilities
- > Define the risk management choices: return-risk preferences (target markets for valuation), risk policy, authorized products & levers for portfolio management
- > Set-up risk control infrastructure (limits, processes...)
- > Set-up **control & communication** instruments:
 - Install devices to remotely collect consumption information and control energy consuming equipment
 - Leverage smart objects / energy storage possibilities
- > **Predict consumption** in order to monitor and adjust capacities
- > **Understand market price dynamics** on the different markets: capacity market, TSO system services, intraday, spot and forward market
- > Estimate valuation and financial outcomes for the client
- > **Optimize flexibility**:
 - Define hedging strategy (capacity market vs. TSO system services vs. intraday vs. spot and forward market)
 - Realize hedges (OTC or on organized markets)

Utilities are moving into new decentralized business models extending their portfolio vertically and beyond industry boundaries

Decentralized business models – Overview



Renewables are no longer a CSR initiative, as they increasingly attract funds of non-energy players and oil & gas majors

Examples of corporate investments / initiatives in the area of wind & solar power

Wind



Owns 16 onshore wind farms in US of 2.6 GWe capacity



Signed power purchase agreements (PPAs) for > 2 GWe of wind power in US; 100% renewable energy goal by 2025 (from 37% now); Google X invests in wind energy kites (unit capacity of up to 600 KWe)



Partnered with Sumitomo on a 200 MWe wind farm, which covers 100% of its power needs in US (25% globally)



As part of its CO₂-neutral mobility strategy, co-financed an offshore wind farm in the North Sea which power its power-to-methane plant opened in 2013

Solar



TOTAL

Agreed in May 2016 on the acquisition of a battery producer Saft worth USD 1.1 bn, following the '2011 acquisition of a PV producer SunPower



Installed > 100 MWe of solar panels on roofs of > 300 its stores and distribution centers (6% of the company's locations), with a plan to double the capacity by 2020

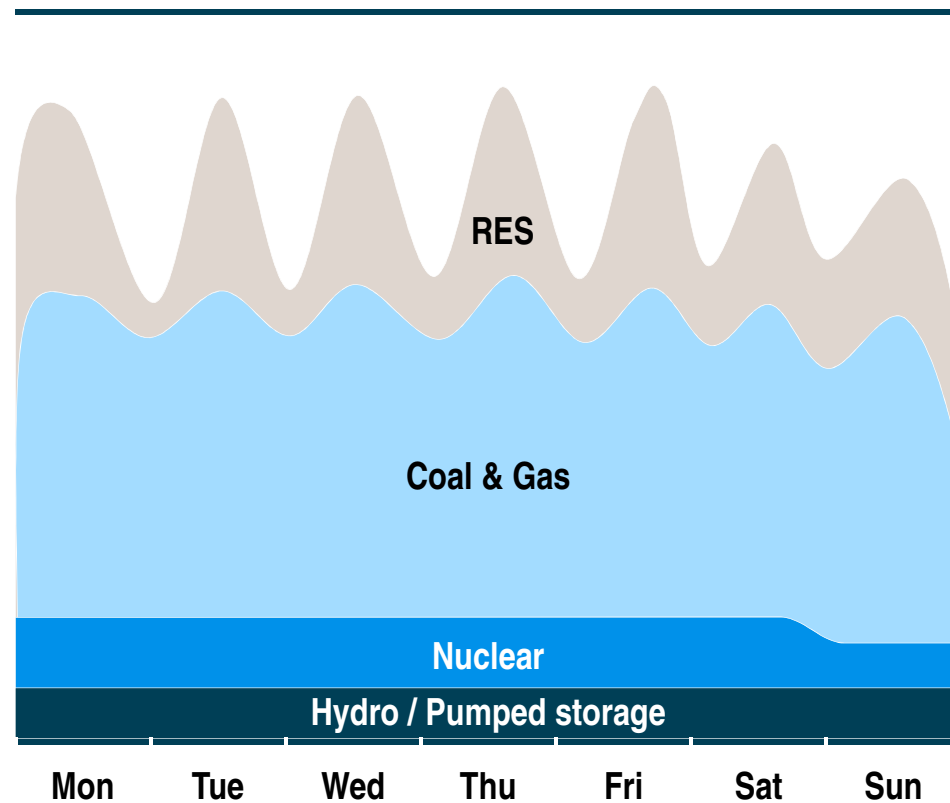


Started selling solar panels in its UK shops (in partnership with SolarCentury)

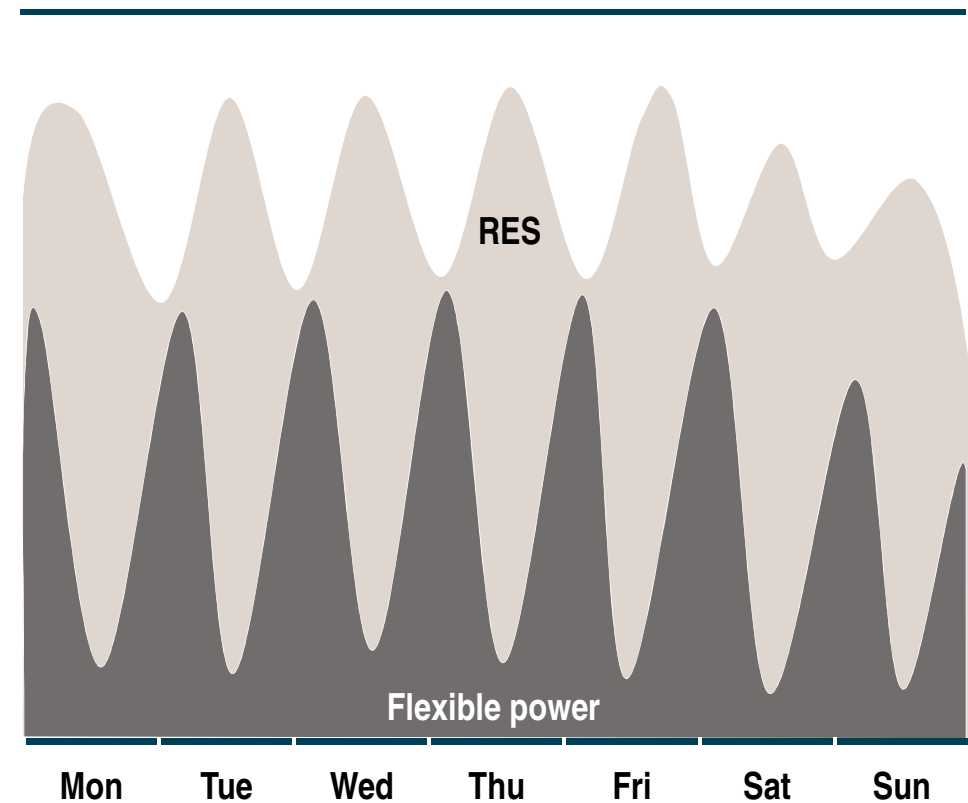
Future energy systems may have no baseload, with solar & wind covering major demand, and (CC)GTs flexibly covering the remainder

Future shift in the energy system's paradigm – Example of Germany

2015



2020-2025



Thank you!



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