



# IRENA's perspective on the energy sector transformation Opportunities for Russian in new energy segment

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### **About IRENA**

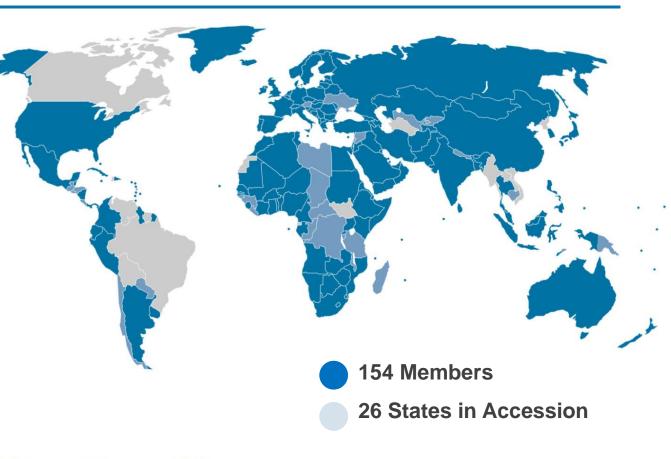


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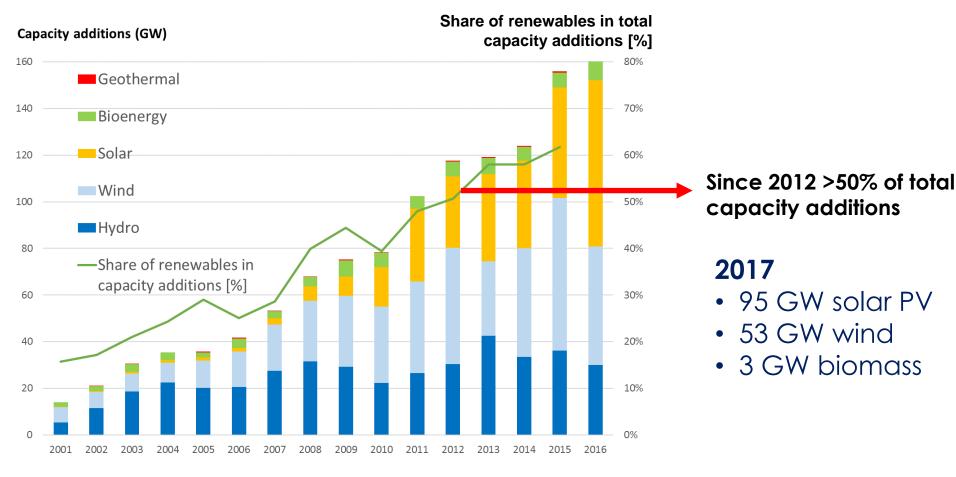
Mandate: Assist countries to accelerate renewable energy deployment



# **1 GLOBAL TRENDS**

# On-going power sector transformation





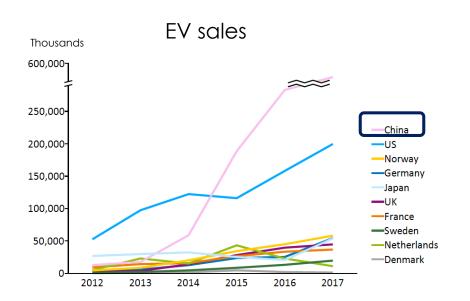
Source: IRENA statistics

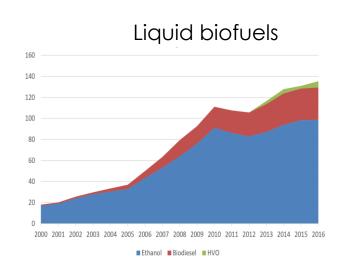
- Around 25% renewable power generation share worldwide
- Growing by 0.7 percentage points per year

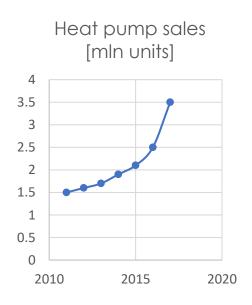
## **Energy transition in the end use sectors**



- Strong growth of electromobility 1.2 million EVs sold in 2017
- Heat pump sales in the residential sector have been increasing
- New approaches to solar thermal (hybrid systems, storage)
- Corporate sourcing, maximized residential self-consumption
- Sector coupling and Power-to-X
- Continued growth for biogas







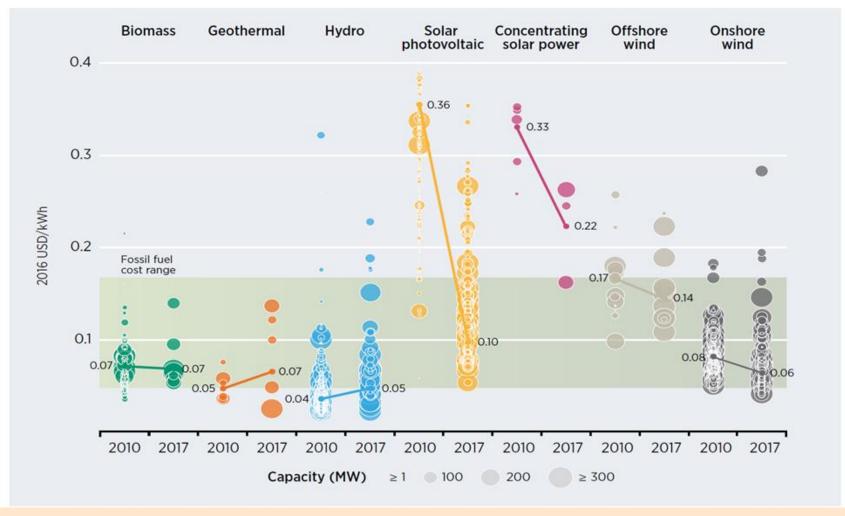


# **2 ECONOMICS**

# Today's strong business case for renewable power

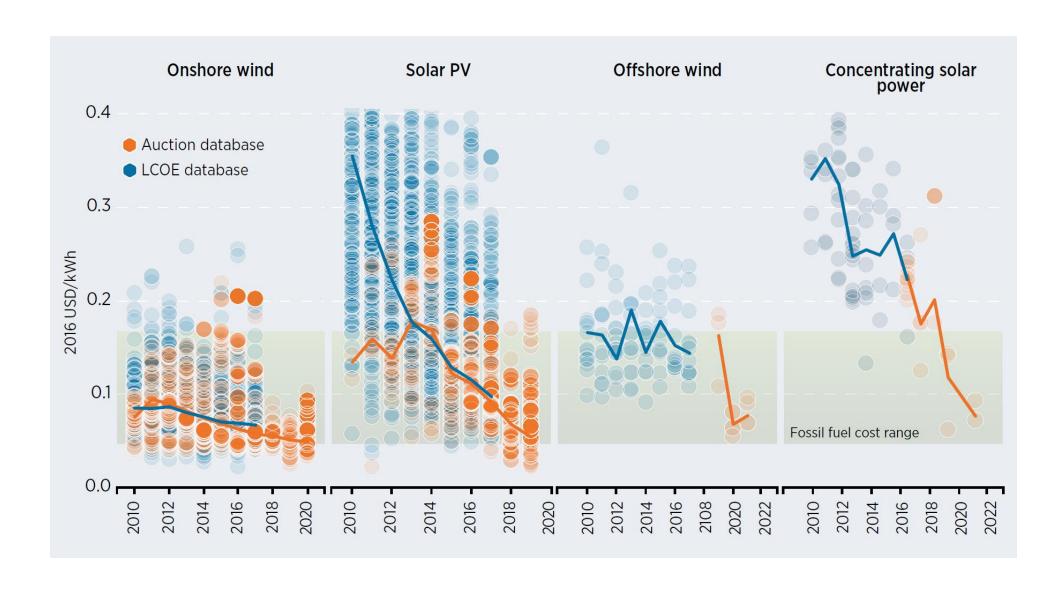


#### Levelised cost of electricity (LCOE) for renewable power between 2010 and 2016



# Solar & Wind: LCOE/Auction Price Evolution Overview Continued rapid cost reduction in the coming years





# Investments in renewable power have surpassed the ones in fossil fuels



RE represents 60% of the total new capacity investments in the last two years



Source: IRENA (2017) Rethinking Energy



# **3 ENERGY TRANSITION NEEDS**

#### **Context**



- At the request of the German G20
   Presidency
- To inform decarbonization Action Plan discussion in G20
- Study prepared by IRENA in cooperation with IEA
- Publication released March 2017 during Berlin Energy Transition Dialogue

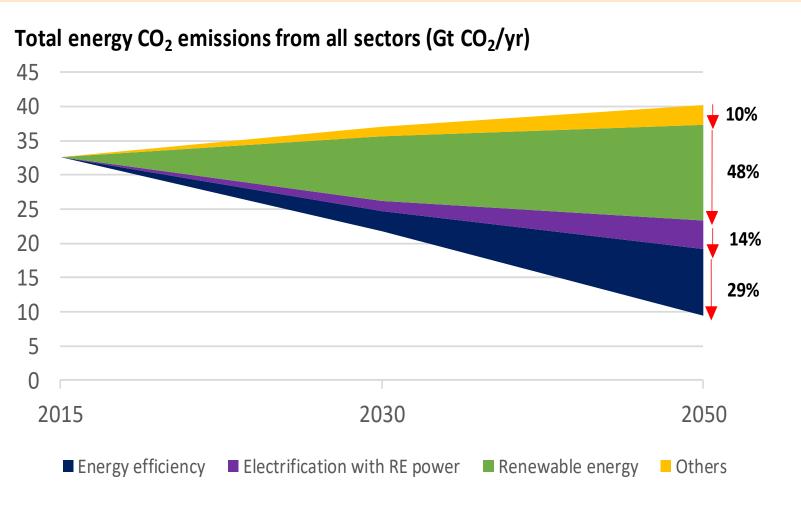


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# Energy accounts for two-thirds of total greenhouse gas emissions



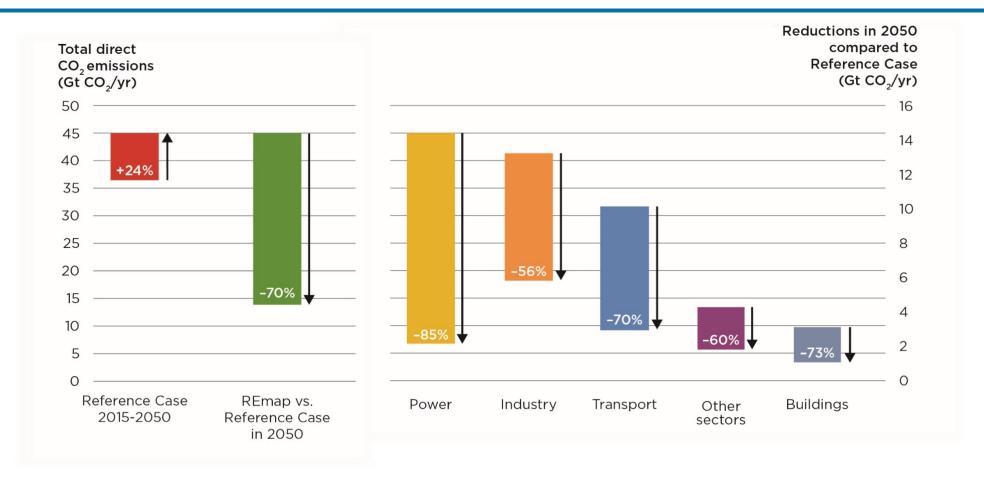
#### To meet 2°C climate target set at COP 21 in Paris 2015



- Carbon Emissions of energy:
  - needs to fall by 85% in 2015-2050
- Energy-emission budget:
  - 790 Gt CO<sub>2</sub> from 2015 till
     2100
  - At current emissions rate, carbon budget would be consumed by 2040
  - of emission reductions needed by 2050
  - The growth rate in terms of renewable share per year will need to increase seven-fold over past rates

### CO<sub>2</sub> emissions by sector: REmap relative to the Reference Case

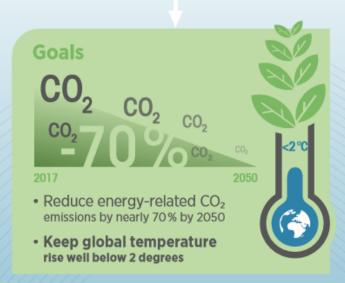


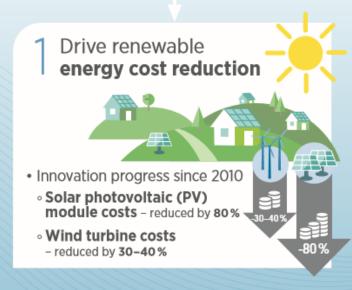


By 2050, total energy-related CO<sub>2</sub> emissions will need to decrease to below 10 Gt. CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from the power and buildings sectors will be almost eliminated.

Industry and transport would be the main sources of emissions in 2050.

# **Innovation** to Decarbonise the Energy Sector





# 2 Enhance technology performance

- Today's renewable energy technologies:
- Need to grow renewable energy share 1.2% yearly to reach 2050 climate goals
- Could provide 2/3 of the world's primary energy supply
- What about the remaining 1/3?

Integrate high shares of renewable energy in power systems



- Enabling technologies
- New ways to operate systems
- Innovative business models + market designs

Create new
breakthroughs for end-use sectors

Find affordable, scalable solutions

Develop low-carbon technologies for:

aviation
heavy industry
road transport
shipping



- Governments
- encourage private sector innovation
- Developing new technologies
- requires decades
- R&D → demonstration → market
- Innovation goes beyond technology
- creating new businesses; system integration; wealth creation

## Innovation to decarbonise the energy sector



#### **Nurture Innovation**

This is crucial for the decarbonisation of the energy sector

#### Pursue power system integration

Renewable power already has a strong business case, but materialising its potential requires additional efforts in innovation for systems integration

# **Accelerating the Energy Transition**

#### Decarbonise end-use sectors

This requires a combination of electrification, technology breakthroughs and sector-specific global agreements

#### Expand innovation beyond R&D

Innovation efforts encompass the complete technology lifecycle and all aspects or renewable energy integration. Governments play a key role in setting the right framework

# ...but materialising its potential require additional efforts in system integration



The power sector paradigm changes, creating challenges to integrate high share of variable renewable energy

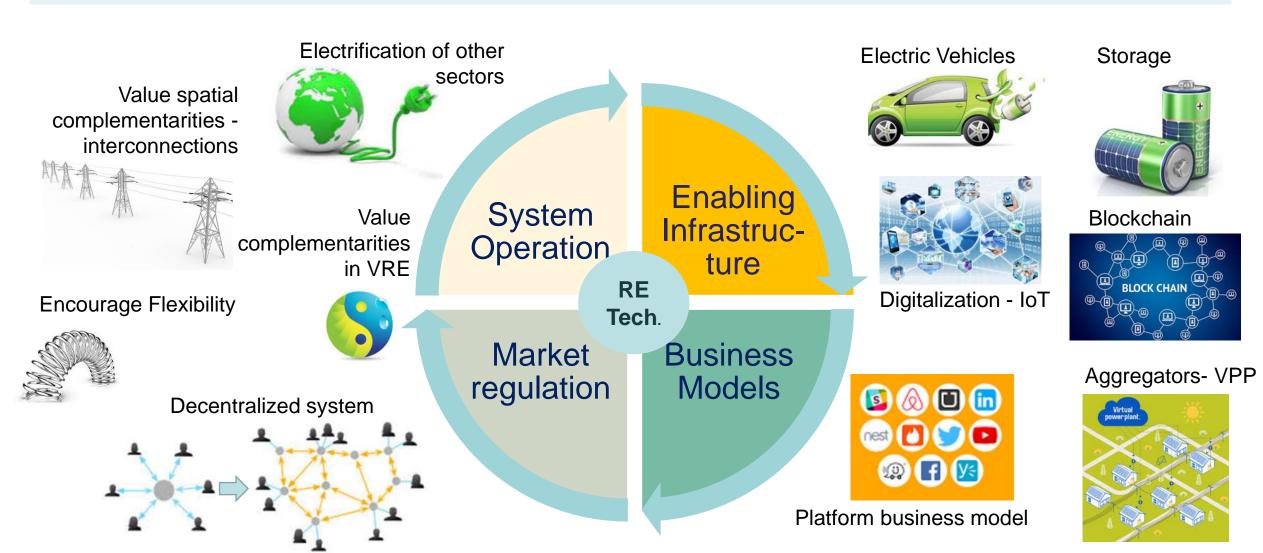
in the system

The traditional base-load generation concept disappears **Power Flow** The system requires flexibility The flow of electricity becomes bidirectional at certain moments in time **Generation becomes more** decentralized 00000

### Vision for the Power Sector Transformation



#### We need to map and understand the implications of these innovations for the power sector



# The increasing role of consumer



#### The new consumer is also producing, storing, trading energy and managing own load



Distributed generation



Behind the meter storage



Electric vehicles



Smart meters



DigitalisationInternet of things



Artificial intelligence

**Electricity becomes more Decentralised and Democratised** 

### New technologies empower the consumer



#### **Smart Houses: IoT and Artificial Intelligence**

- Thermostats, lighting and energy monitoring and controls are increasingly enabled with smart devices that connect with the Internet and can be controlled remotely by smart phones. Adding communication capabilities and remote controls to existing sensors and diagnostics can turn them into an energy management system.
- Artificial intelligence identifies patterns and controls the load, the same way humans would do

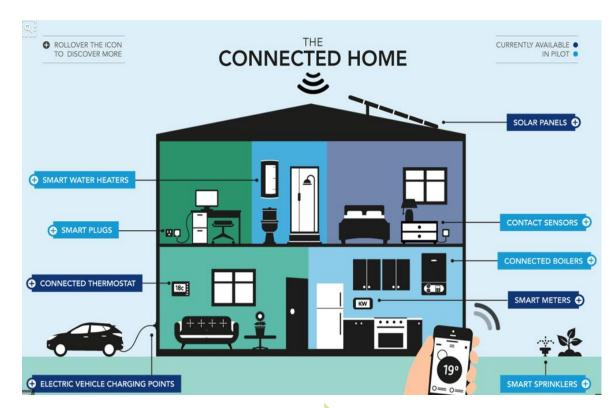


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IoT and AI enable demand side management, decreasing consumers' costs by improving energy efficiency and preventing energy waste

## New business models empower the consumer



#### **RE aggregator: Virtual Power Plant (VPP)**

- ❖ VPPs supports distributed RE sources to leverage on the synergies between them and maximize their remuneration
- Virtual power plants allow coordinating previously uncoordinated renewable generation sources. It can provide the much needed flexibility in the system

Aggregators enable distributed technologies (RE plants, storage) to participate in the energy market



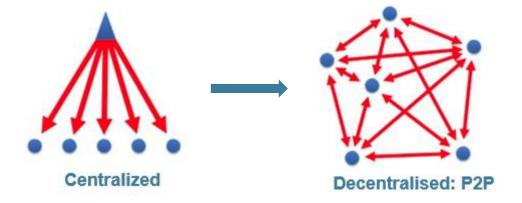
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#### Peer to peer trading

- ❖ Also known as Uber or Airbnb of energy, the platform allows local generators of distributed energy to sell their excess energy at the desired price.
- With increasing number of smart devices, digitalization and increasing distributed generation, platform based models should see a huge potential in terms of market size and demand in the near future.

Platform based model promote Peer to Peer trading, offering a market place for distributed generation





# One more innovation Blockchain: No middleman



By promoting P2P trading and though emerging cryptocurrencies, blockchain incentivizes growth in decentralized generation

Through smart contracts, blockchain makes distributed grid management easier











Prosumers generate power beyond their needs and feed it into the grid through a blockchain-enabled e meter The flow of electricity is automatically encoded in the blockchain

Algorithms match buyers and sellers in real time based on preferences and encode smart contracts into blockchain

Smart contracts
execute when
electricity is
delivered,
transferring payment
in cryptocurrency
from buyer to seller

Other nodes in the network verify the transactions

Applied to larger interconnected grids, might lead to:

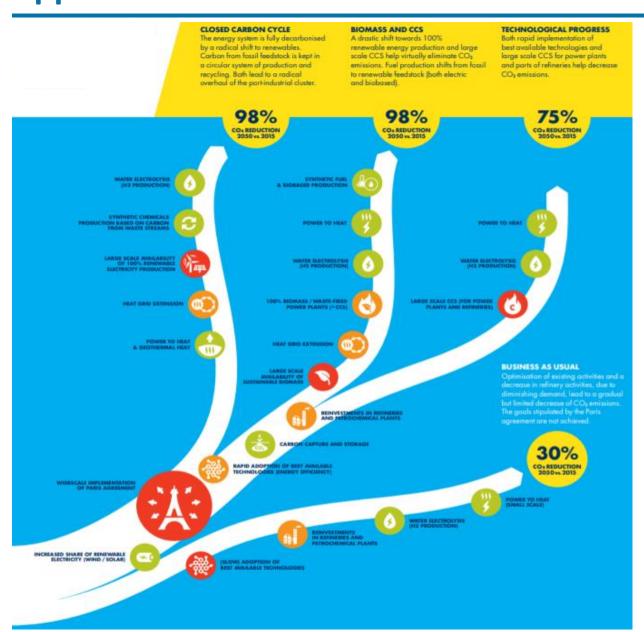
- No need for retailers
- No need for system operators If smart contracts secure frequency and voltage control as well as balancing the grid system as a whole



# 4 ENERGY TRANSITION BRINGS NEW BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES

# **Energy transition brings new business and industry opportunities**





#### **Example: Port of Rotterdam**

Assessment of different pathways to decarbonise the Port of Rotterdam while creating new industry development opportunities around those. Opportunities include:

- Bio-based chemistry
- Offshore wind
- Energy storage
- CO<sub>2</sub> transport and storage
- Synthetic fuel production

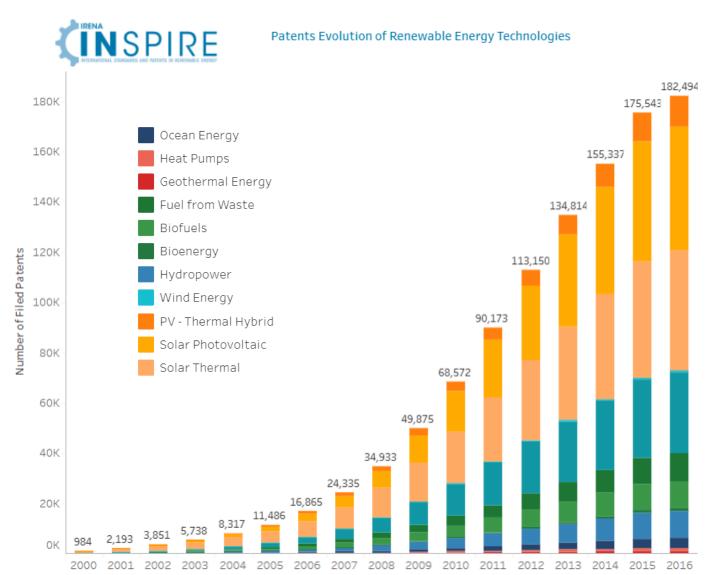
#### Investments:



## **Patent Activity in China**

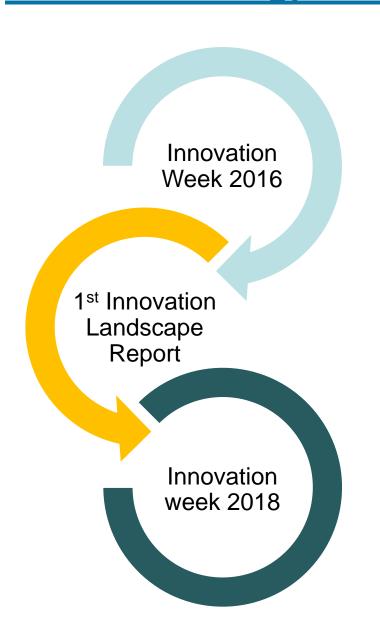


- Today there are almost 600 000 patents in Renewable Energy
- Solar, wind and bioenergy accounts for 90% of the patents in renewable energy
- In 2016, China filed 30% of renewable energy patents globally
- Significant increase in the last decade, 10 times more patents in comparison to 2006
- China presents more than half of the patents in Solar Energy; the major share is in solar PV, followed by solar thermal



# Continuous approach to build an innovation network for energy transition





Three days conference:

- 200+ experts from public and private sector
- Discussions across the complete innovation life cycle, from R&D to commercialization

Based on 'real-life' case studies on emerging nontechnology innovations

- Identification of replicable and implementable innovations
- Analysis of case studies, lessons learnt

Track the energy transformation, monitor the progress, map new innovations

We invite you to engage!





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## New technologies empower the consumer



#### **Smart houses – how to implement?**

#### Hardware

- Smart meters
- Sensors
- Supercomputers
- Other digital technology to convert the electricity grid from servo mechanical to digital connectivity to manage multiple sources of energy flowing to the grid from local generators

#### **Software**

Optimization tools

#### **Communication protocol:**

 Agree and develop common interoperable standards (both at physical and ICT layers) Regulation is key for demand-side management

#### **Retail market**

 Efficient, real-time price signals that reflect the cost of the participation of each agent to the electricity market

#### **Distribution**

 Incentivise distribution system operators to invest in smart grids and other digital solutions

#### Other policies

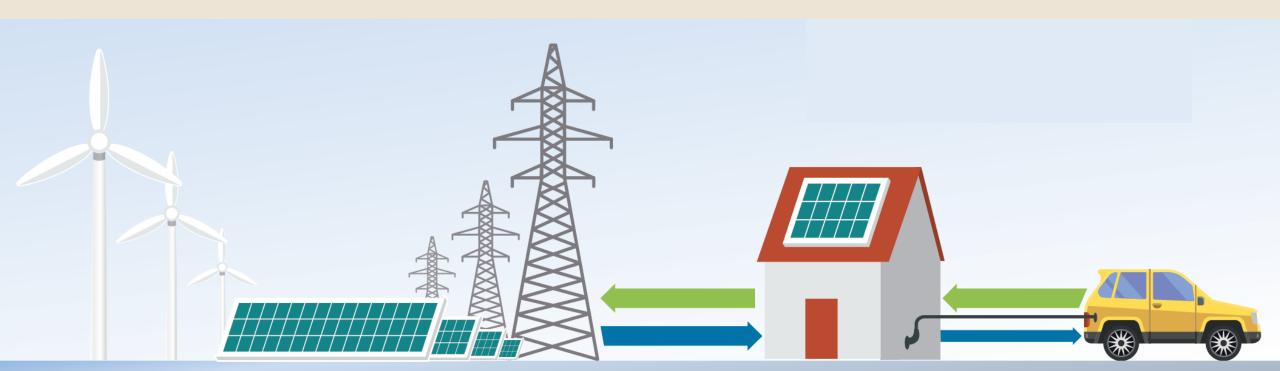
 To ensure cybersecurity, data security, avoid misuse of data

## Some take aways



Technological innovations push towards a decentralisation and democratisation of energy, while market designs need to adapt and enable innovative business models emerge

Consumers' role is increasing: their behaviour is key!



### **IRENA Project facilitation platforms**









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