

# Does Energy Storage Contribute to Security of Supply?

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# Introduction to EASE

## EASE activities & members

- ❖ EASE is the leading member-led association representing the energy storage industry in Brussels – the heart of the European Union
- ❖ EASE’s mission is to support the development & deployment of all energy storage technologies by:
  - ✓ Raising awareness about the benefits of energy storage and its crucial role in supporting the energy transition
  - ✓ Promoting a fair and future oriented energy market design
  - ✓ Serving as a platform for information-sharing and debate on different technologies, applications, and business cases



# Challenges of operating the power system

## EU Decarbonisation objectives

The EU has one of the most ambitious energy policies in the world



A renewable energy target  
of at least 32% by 2030




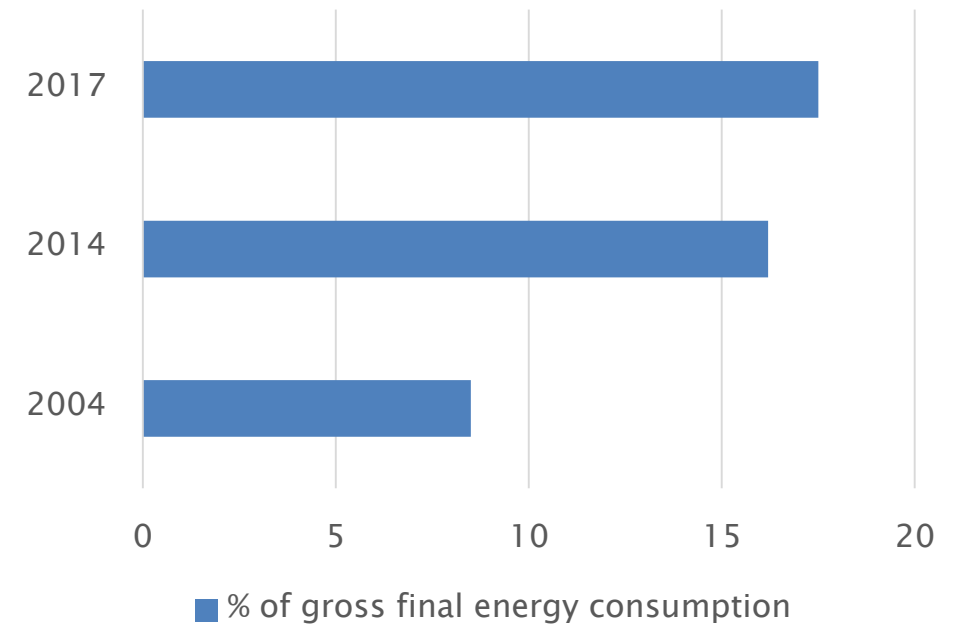
A climate neutral Europe by 2050

# Challenges of operating the power system

## From depletable energy sources to renewable ones

- ❖ The power system was traditionally centred around dispatchable power generation from depletable energy sources
  - ✓ security of supply: dependent on resource availability and imports
  
- ❖ But more and more indigenous renewable energy sources are now in the mix
  - ✓ This completely upends the traditional model...
  - ✓ ...but it also leads to **new challenges to guarantee security of energy supply**

Share of energy from renewable sources, EU 28 

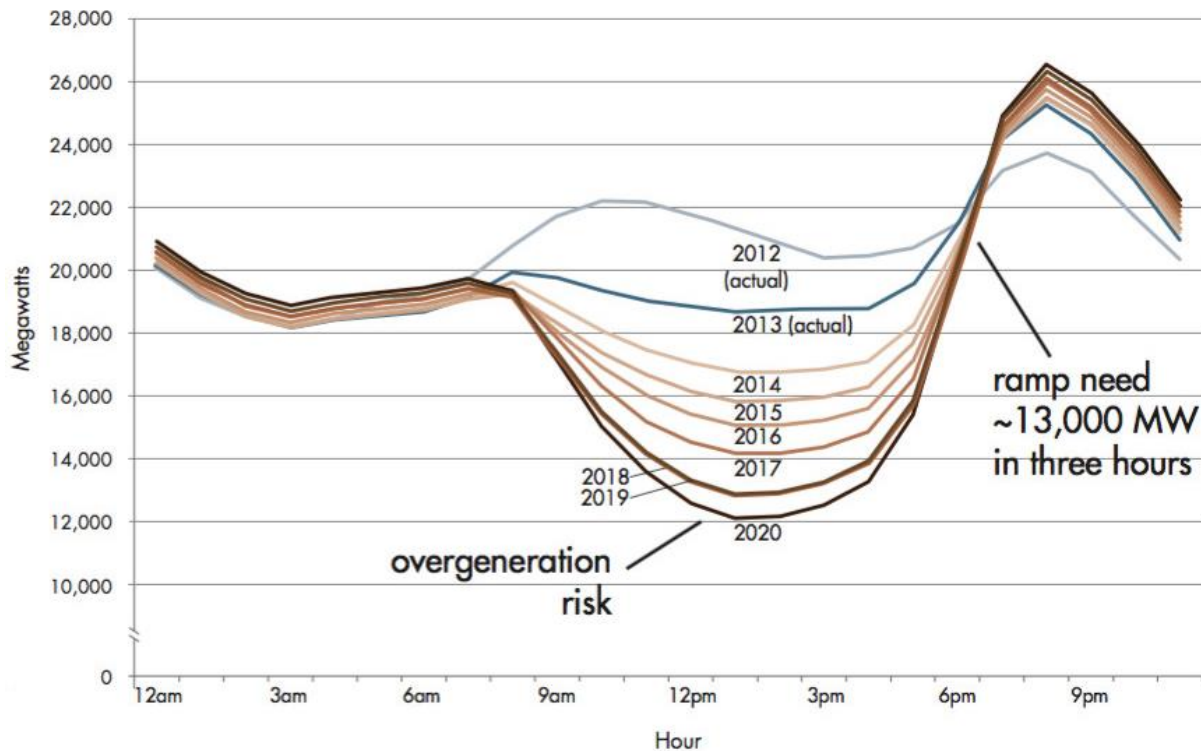


Source: Eurostat

# Challenges of operating the power system

## Challenges of integrating Renewable Energy Sources

*Net load in California – March 31*



Source: U.S. Department of Energy

Renewable Energy Sources alone may not be able to meet the required demand in peak hours

Security of supply is not guaranteed

Flexibility is necessary

# Challenges of operating the power system

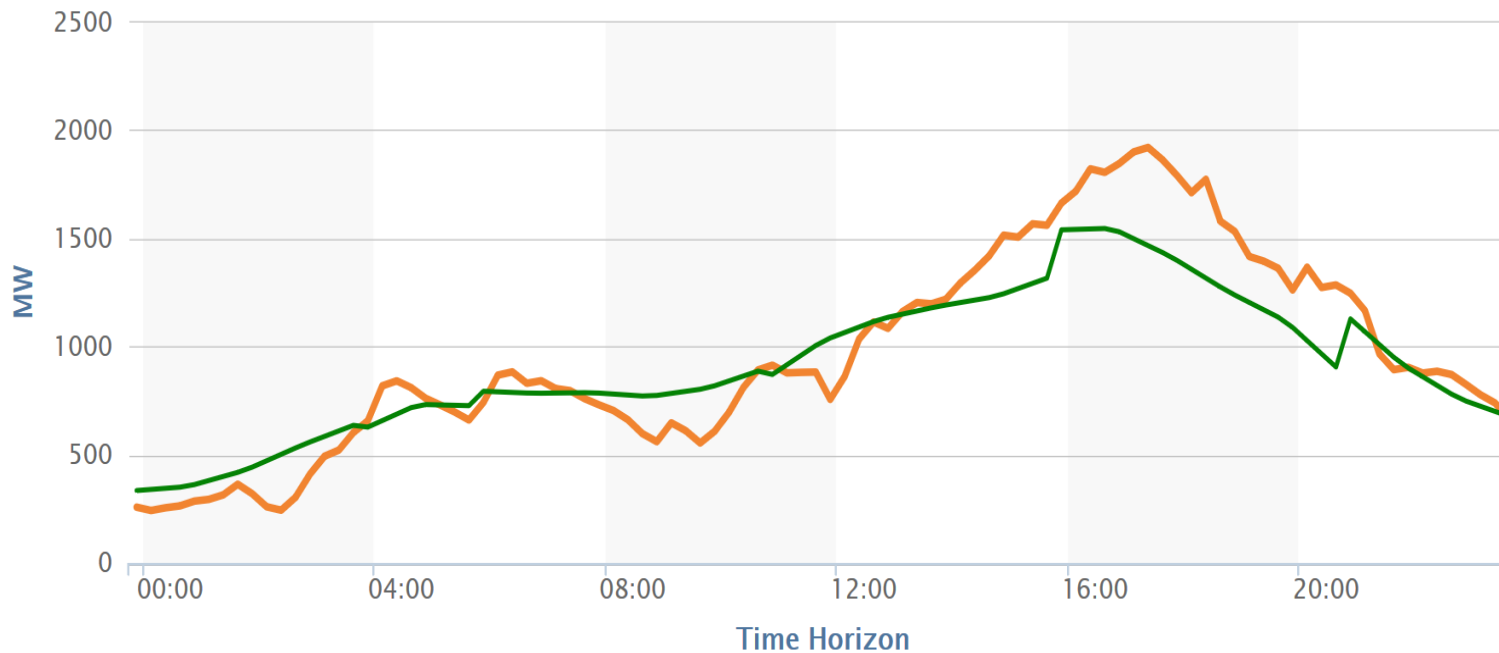
Should he get his bath at midnight ?



# Challenges of operating the power system

## Challenges of integrating Renewable Energy Sources

Belgian Wind Power Forecasting - 18.07.2019



— Measured & Upscaled  
— Most recent forecast

-- Most recent forecast P10  
-- Most recent forecast P90

Source: Elia, Données de Production Éolienne

Power from RES: not only variability, also uncertainty

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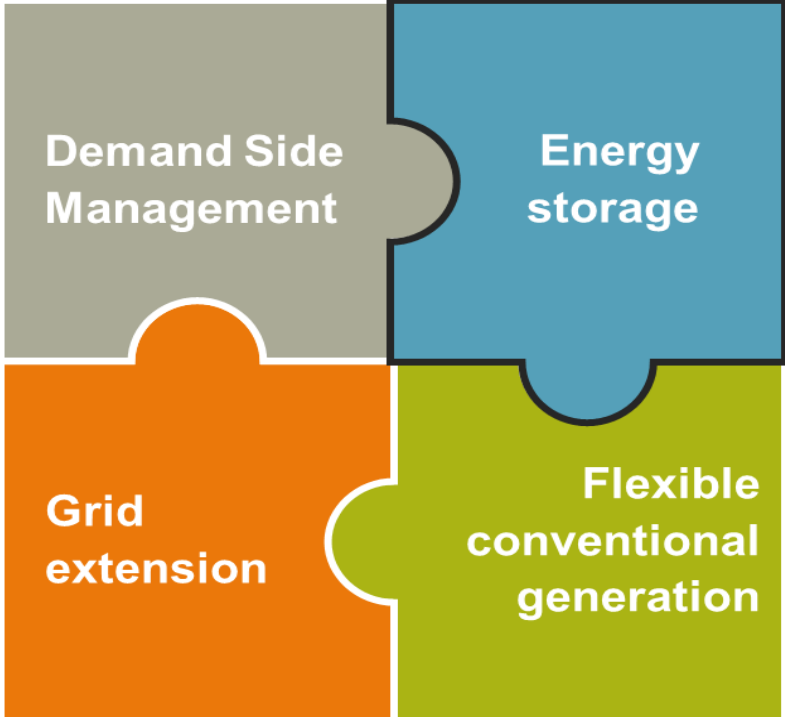
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# Challenges of operating the power system

## How to achieve flexibility?

Has yet to demonstrate full potential: practicability?



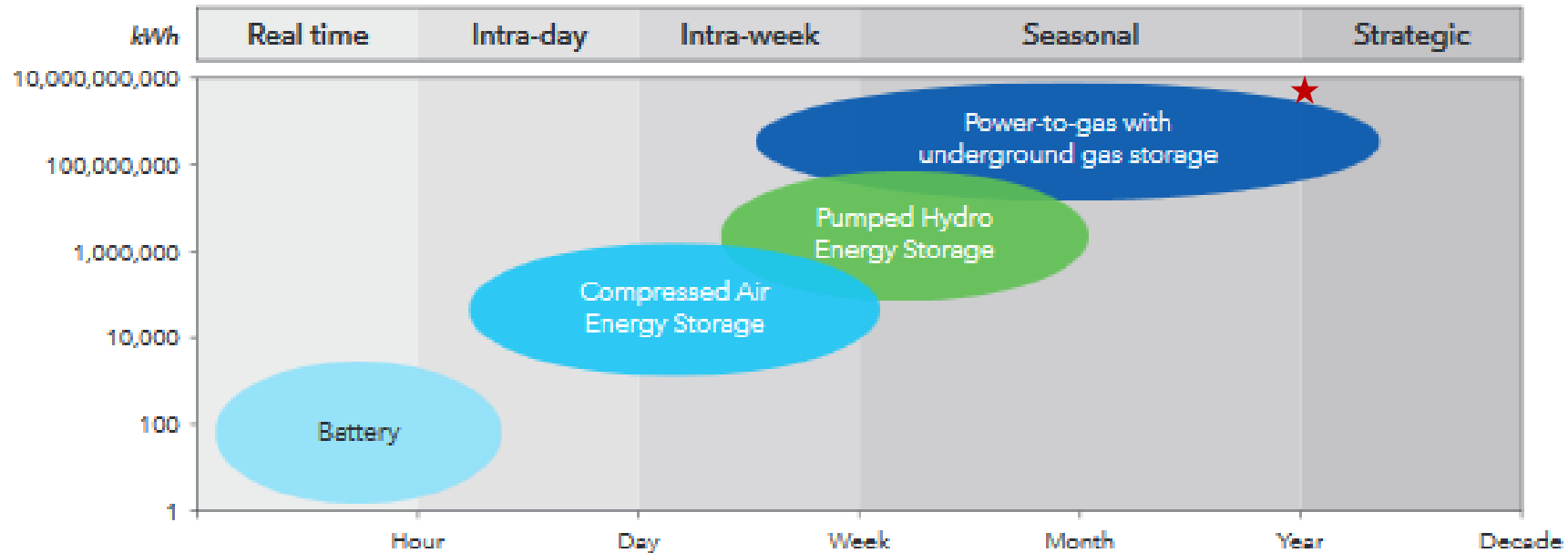
Many available technologies, value for host of different applications and locations.

Social acceptance becoming increasingly limited; big investments needed

Concerns about the environmental impacts and sustainability

# Technologies and Applications

Both short and long-term energy storage technologies are needed

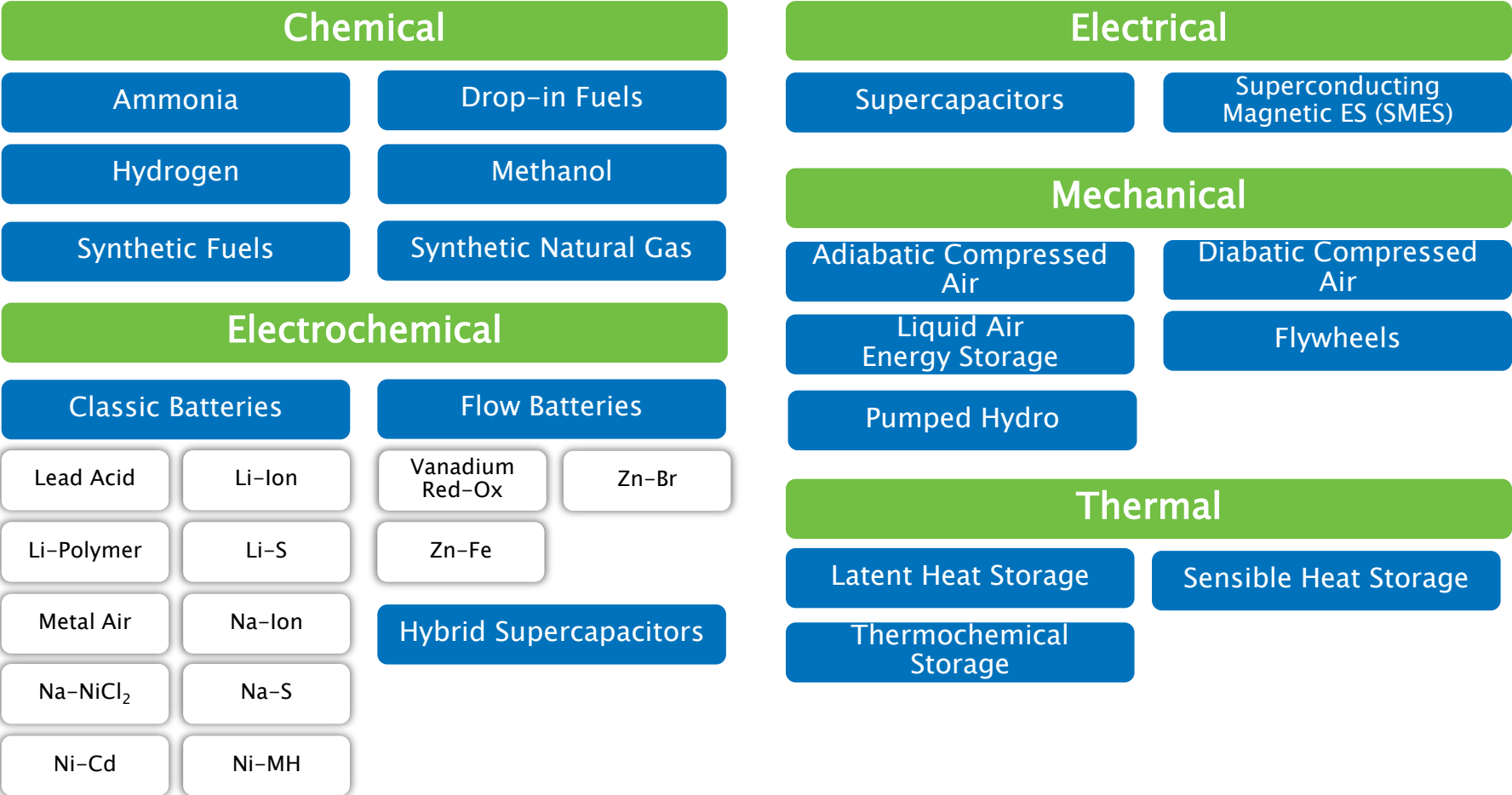


★ These are only four of many technologies

- Different energy technologies can be used for different timeframes
- Bulk energy storage technologies (e.g. thermal storage, power-to-x, CAES and LAES) can provide long term/seasonal balancing. But further cost declines needed!
  - **Currently unclear how these longer-term applications will be monetised**

# Technologies and Applications

Many Energy Storage Technologies on the Market and in R&D



# Technologies and Applications

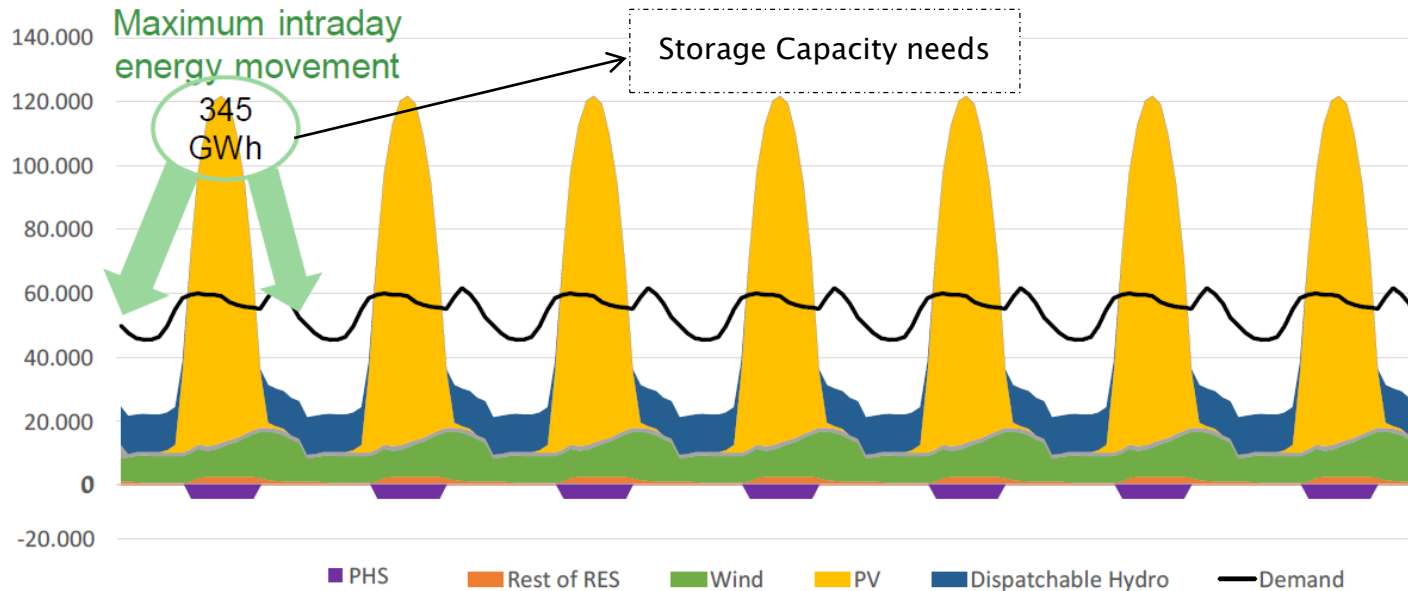
Flexibility is only one of the many energy storage benefits

	Generation	Transmission	Distribution	Customer services
Conventional	Black start	Primary frequency control	Capacity support	End-user peak shaving
	Arbitrage	Secondary frequency control	Dynamic, local voltage control	Time-of-use energy cost management
	Support to conventional generation	Tertiary frequency control	Contingency grid support	Particular requirements in power quality
Renewable	Distributed Generation Flexibility	Improvement of the frequency stability of weak grids	Intentional islanding	Continuity of energy supply
	Capacity firming	Investment deferral	Reactive power compensation	Limitation of upstream disturbances
	Limitation of upstream disturbances	Participation to angular stability	Distribution power quality	Compensation of the reactive power
	Curtailement minimisation		Limitation of upstream disturbances	

# How energy storage can help achieve security of supply

## The role of intra-day storage – The example of Spain in 2050

In 2050: Total demand – 470 TWh; Peak Demand – 70 GW



Source: Eurelectric

The higher the penetration of renewable energy, the higher the need for flexibility

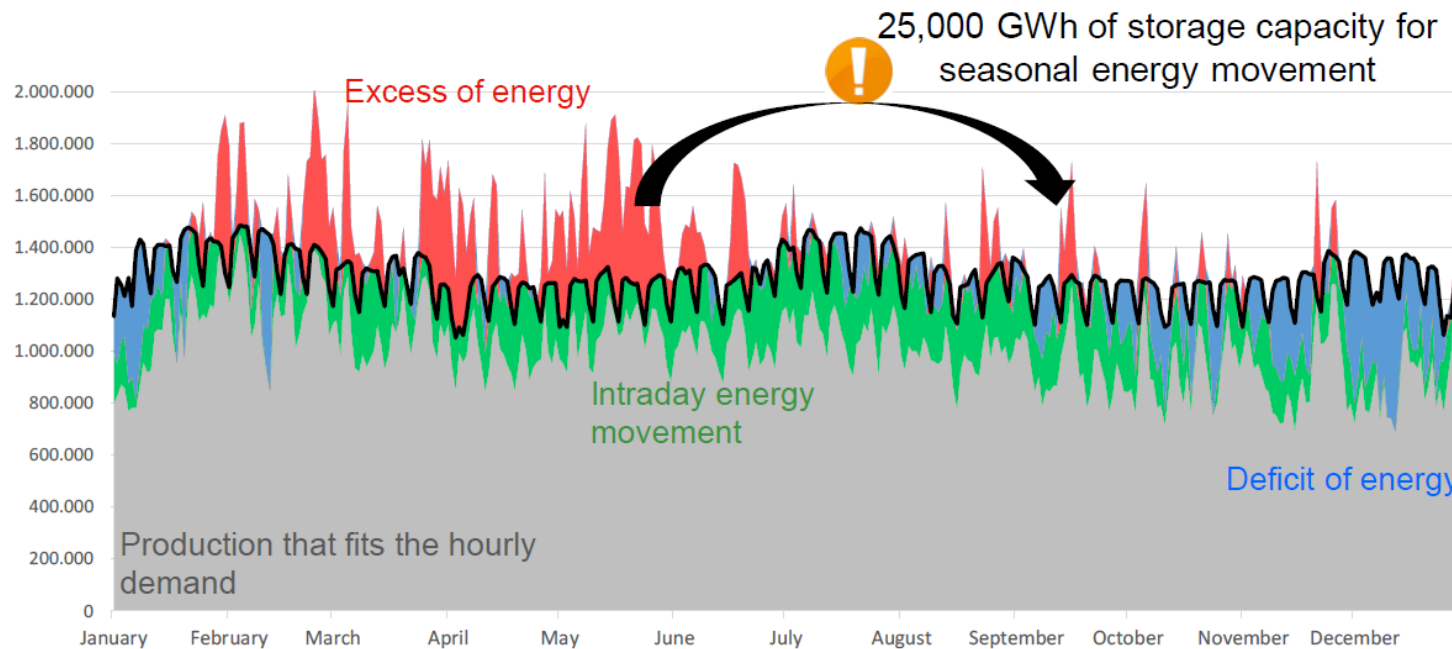


ES technologies can store energy when production is in excess and discharge when needed

The global yearly production capacity of batteries in 2016 = 28 GWh. In 2020 expected to be 174 GWh

# How energy storage can help achieve security of supply

## The role of energy storage for seasonal needs – The example of Spain in 2050



Source: Eurelectric

ES can provide seasonal storage – 72 times the capacity needed for intraday storage

# Regulatory framework – challenges and opportunities

## EU and national legislation

### ‘Clean Energy for all Europeans’ Package:

- ✓ Publication in [the Official Journal of the EU](#) on 14 June 2019
- ✓ Energy storage role in the energy transition recognised
- ✓ Several measures to promote energy storage



### National Energy and Climate Plans:

- ✓ The EC issued [recommendations to Member States](#) on 18 June 2019 on how to amend the drafts
- ✓ The final plans must be ready by 31 December 2019 and will be revised every two years



# Regulatory framework – challenges and opportunities

## Regulation: Challenges and opportunities for Energy Storage

### Challenges

- ❖ Policymakers tend to pick technology winners & losers
- ❖ Complexity of storage business case & lack of long-term revenue streams
- ❖ Uncertainty of how to monetise & tender some storage services (e.g. DSO/TSO investment deferral or avoidance)

### Opportunities

- ❖ Ambitious EU and UN decarbonisation and RES targets (32% by 2030) require significant increase in system flexibility
- ❖ Energy storage is increasingly recognised as a key enabling technology of the energy transition
- ❖ Technology costs are decreasing
- ❖ New revenue streams, players, and applications are emerging

For example: a key aspect is the ownership provision...



# Regulatory framework – challenges and opportunities

## Ownership: a key point to address

Article 54, [Directive \(EU\) 2019/944](#) – Ownership of energy storage facilities by transmission system operators

*1. Transmission system operators shall not own, develop, manage or operate energy storage facilities.*

*2. By way of derogation from paragraph 1, Member States may allow transmission system operators to own, develop, manage or operate energy storage facilities, where they are fully integrated network components and the regulatory authority has granted its approval, or where all of the following conditions are fulfilled:*

*[...] b. such facilities or non-frequency ancillary services are necessary for the transmission system operators to fulfil their obligations under this Directive [...] and they are not used to buy or sell electricity in the electricity markets [...]*

# Regulatory framework – challenges and opportunities

## Ownership: a key point to address

- ❖ It is paramount to maximise social welfare by utilising all available technologies as much as possible
- ❖ In the multi-service business case approach, multiple stakeholders are together involved in the ownership, development, management, and/or operation of an energy storage facility in order to maximise its social welfare by fully deploying all services storage can deliver.
  - ✓ If a regulated entity could own, develop and manage a storage facility to fulfil their obligations, a non-regulated entity could use a defined capacity fraction for market-based services



*Storage has a clear value in the energy transition: we must ensure that the needed storage is built*

# Conclusions

## Many challenges, but also optimism

- ❖ The energy transition entails significant challenges
- ❖ Energy storage can and shall play a key role in addressing them – **it contributes massively to security of supply**
- ❖ Energy storage leads a.o. to further integration of RES and consequently contributes to the fight against climate change
- ❖ More business cases and specific system products need to be developed to facilitate market uptake





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