

Large-scale balancing and storage from hydropower - trends for the future in Europe



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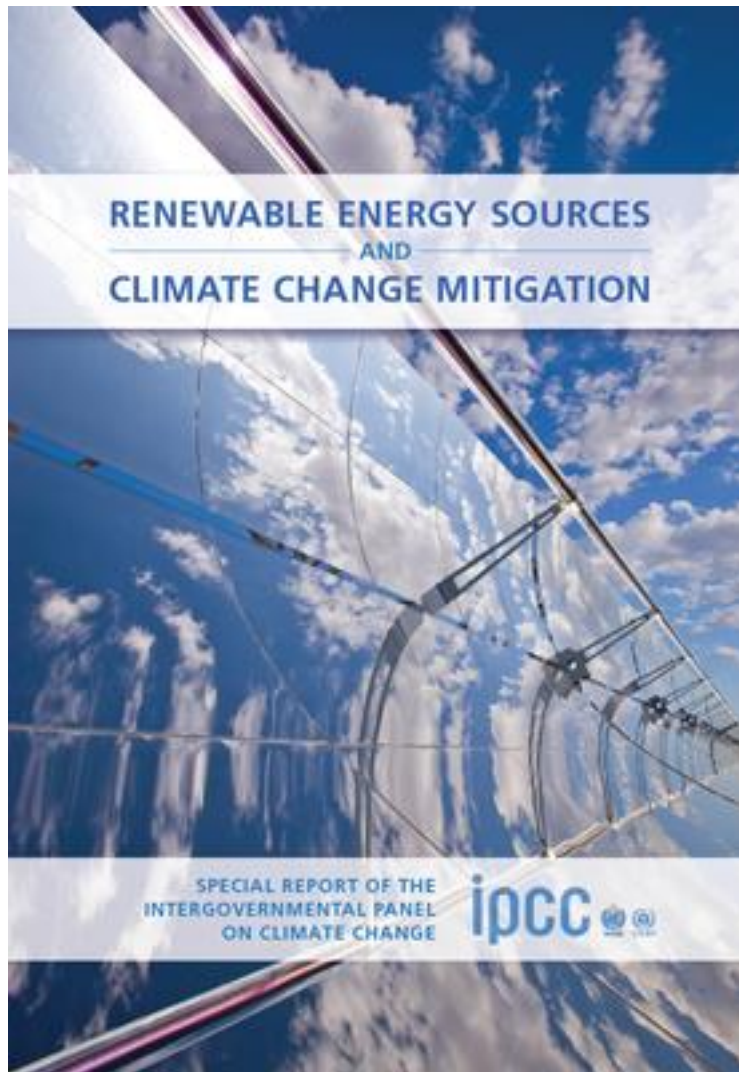
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IPPC Special Report on Renewable Energy Sources and Climate Change Mitigation (SRREN, 2012)



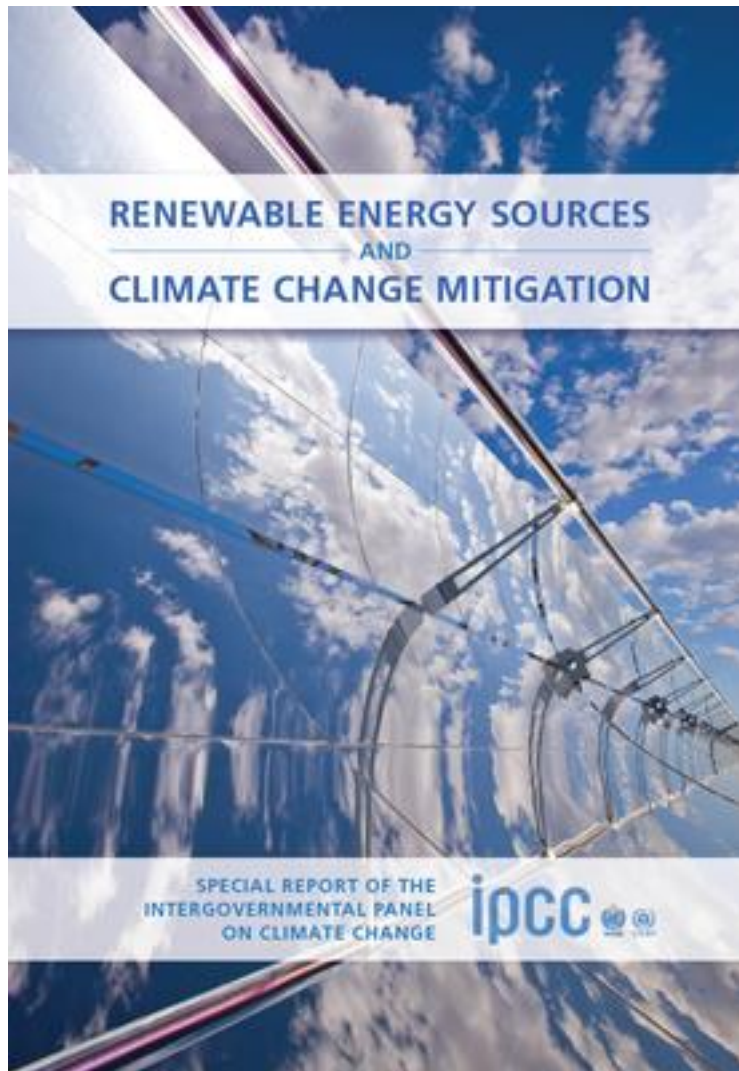
*Up to **80%** Renewable could be possible
If backed by the right enabling policies*

*The global technical potential of RE
sources will not limit continued growth in
the use of RE*

*A wide range of estimates are provided in
the literature, but studies have
consistently found that the total global
technical potential for RE is substantially
higher than global energy demand*

*The technical potential for solar energy is
the highest among the RE sources, but
substantial technical potential
exists for all six RE sources*

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Some main challenges:

- Transmission and distribution infrastructure
- Energy storage technologies
- Demand side management
- Improved forecasting of resource availability

Climate-friendly 100% renewable electricity supply for Europe by 2050 (SRU, 2010)



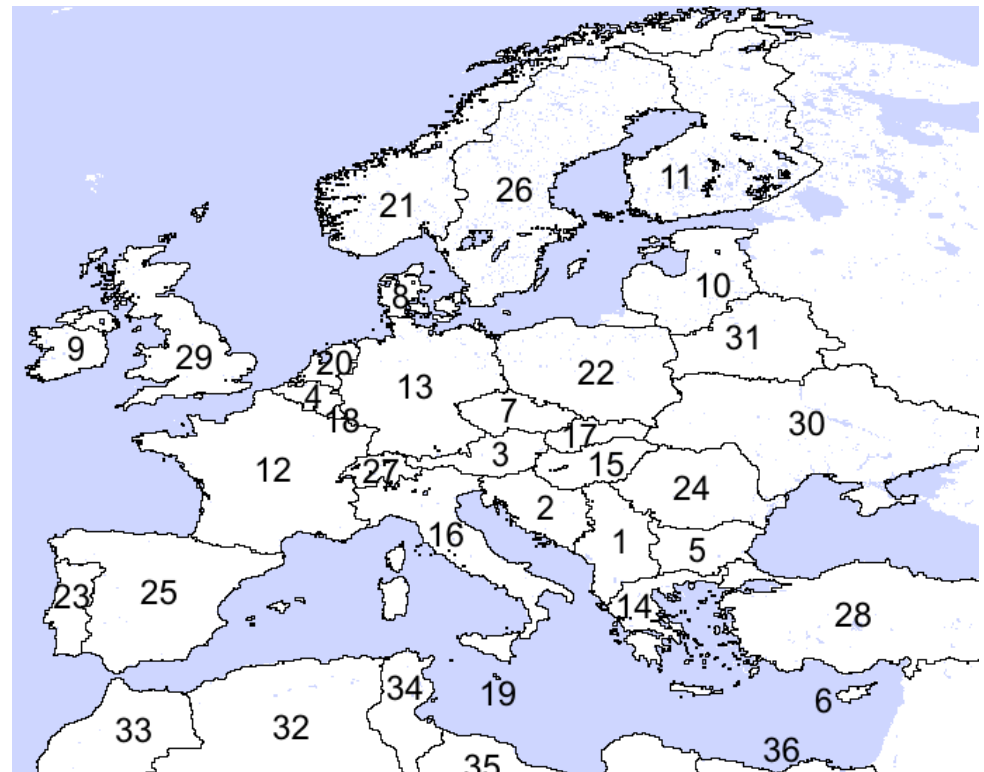
Climate-friendly,
reliable, affordable:
100% renewable
electricity supply
by 2050

Statement

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- ▶ **100%** renewable electricity supply for Germany and Europe is possible by 2050 (2030 if needed)
- ▶ The system will mainly be based on wind and solar
- ▶ Storage and transmission will be crucial
- ▶ Pumped storage hydro will be in great demand
- ▶ Norway will become a unique swing provider for the European system due to its hydro resource
- ▶ We can start with bilateral cooperation

Conclusions in these and other studies agree well:

Large scale RE development is possible with known technology

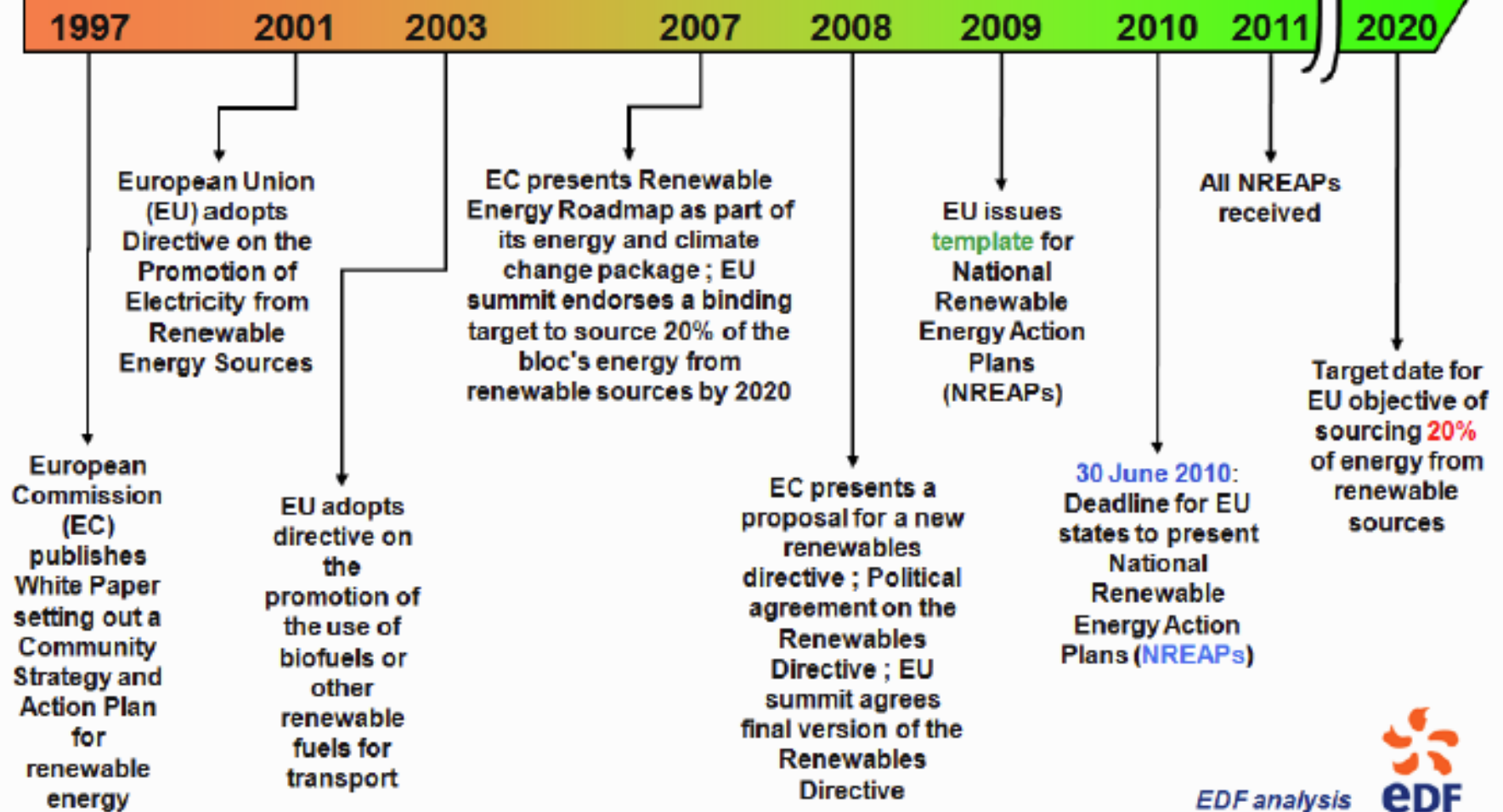
Three main sources will be dominating: Wind, Solar and Hydro

Few, if any, fundamental technical limits exist to the integration of a majority share of RE, but advancements in several areas are needed:

- **Transmission and distribution infrastructure**
- **Energy storage technologies**
- **Demand side management**
- **Improved forecasting of resource availability**



European Union renewable energy policy milestones



EU-Policy is very determined

“The energy challenge is one of the greatest tests faced by Europe today”

“Key decisions have to be taken to reduce drastically our emissions and fight climate change”

G. Oettinger (EU commissioner for energy)
Energy 2020



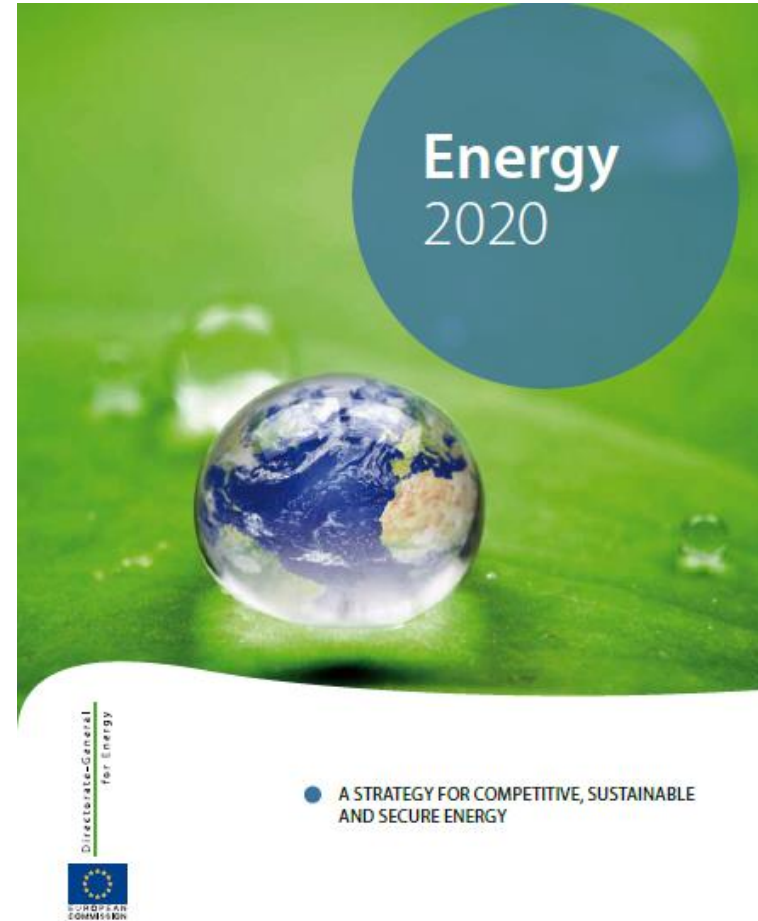
The RES Directive (20/20/20 Goals)

1. Main targets

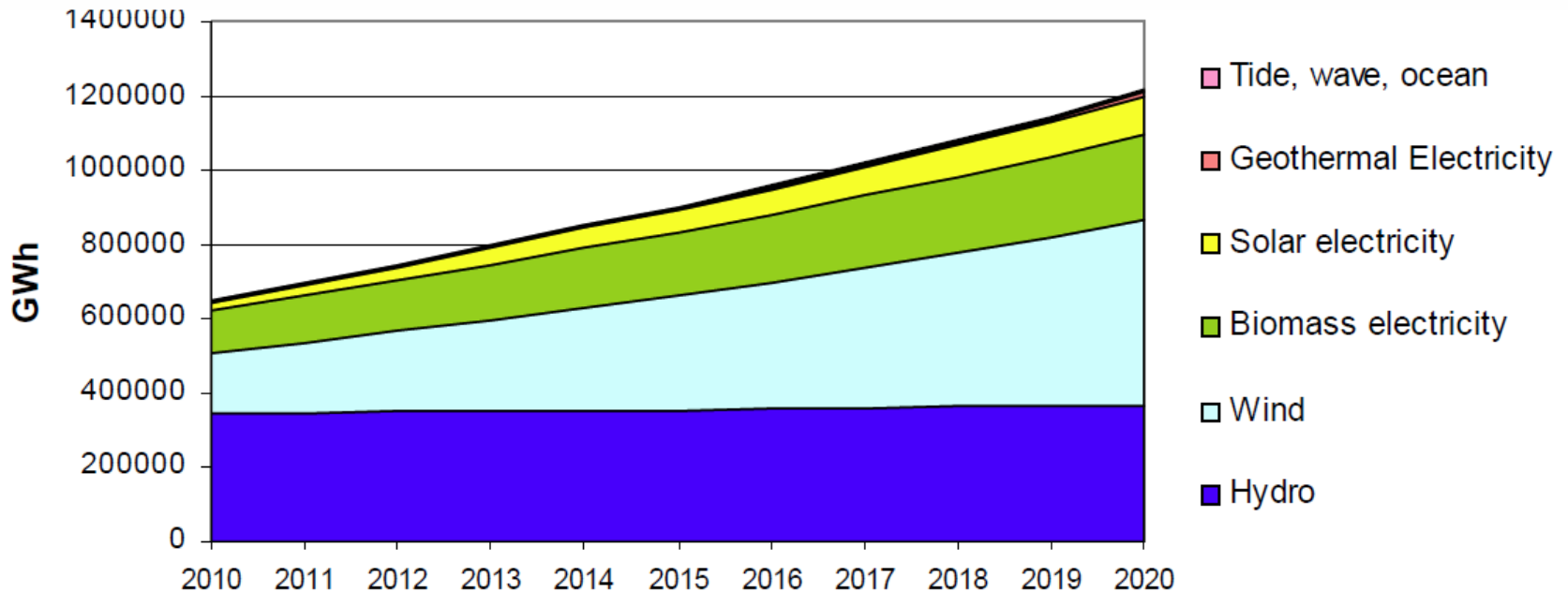
- 20% reduction in GHG emissions
- 20% better energy efficiency
- 20% of energy from RES

For electricity 34% in 2020

Source: *Energy 2020 – A strategy for competitive, sustainable and secure energy*



Towards 2020 – Implementation of the RES-directive



RES generation from **632** TWh in 2010 to **1152** TWh in 2020

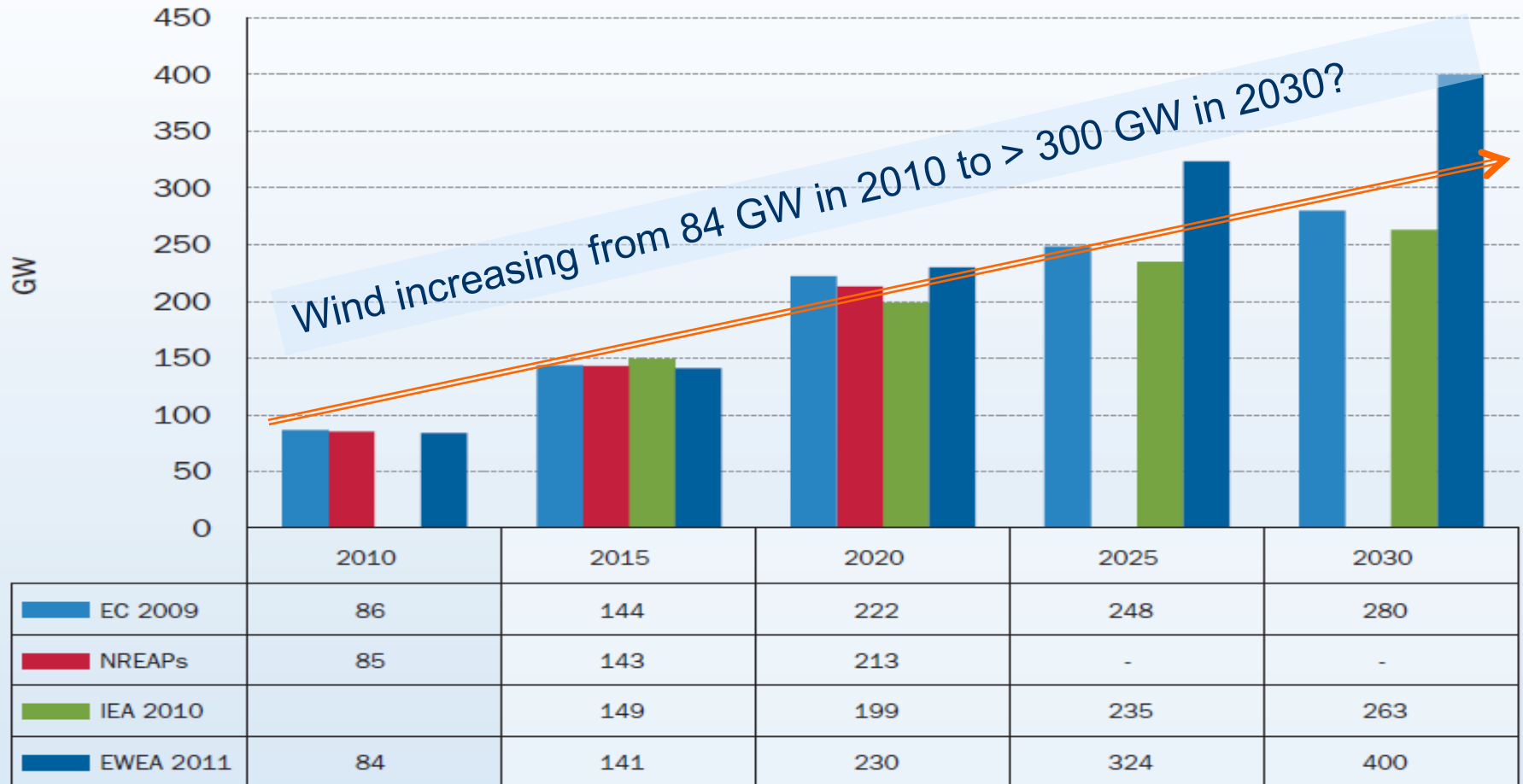
Largest increase in Wind - ca 120 GW and 305 TWh

Also rapid increase in Solar PV - ca 65 GW og 100 TWh

➔ Increase of **non-dispatchable** power generation (wind, solar PV)

Wind Power Development in Europe

FIGURE 4.1 LATEST WIND ENERGY SCENARIOS FOR EU-27 FROM THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION, THE MEMBER STATES, THE IEA AND EWEA (GW TOTAL INSTALLED CAPACITY)



Source: EWEA, European Commission, International Energy Agency, National Renewable Energy Action Plans.

EU - Energy Roadmap for 2050

- Decarbonization of Energy system by 2050 (80-95% reduced GHG)
- Energy saving / Energy Efficiency
- Switching to Renewable Energy Sources
- More market integration / European approach
- Storage technologies remains critical
- Gas plays a key role in the transition
- Need for flexible resources
- Transition in close partnership with neighbours (Norway, ...)
- Further interconnection with Norway and Switzerland ... critical
- Engaging the public is crucial (Social dimension)

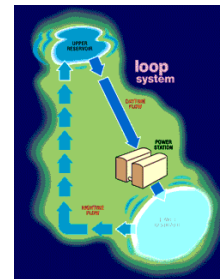


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CEDREN – Four Main Focus Areas

Hydropower technology



Environmental impacts of hydropower

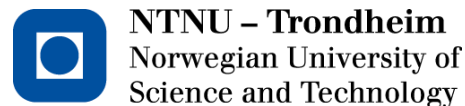


Environmental impacts of wind power and power transmission



How to reconcile energy and environment policy?



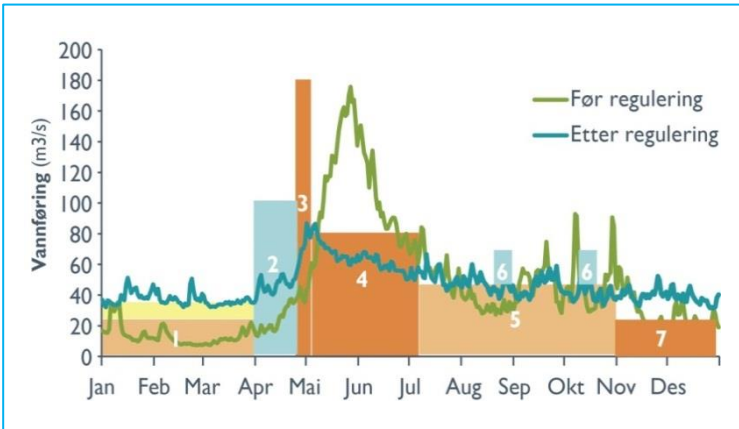


International
partners:





Environmental design



Water release



Habitat mitigation



Power system



Handbook for environmental design of regulated salmon rivers

HYDROPEAK - Main goals

To study how the hydropower system can **support** increasing amounts of non-regulated renewables (eg offshore wind power) for **Peaking** and large scale **Power balancing**

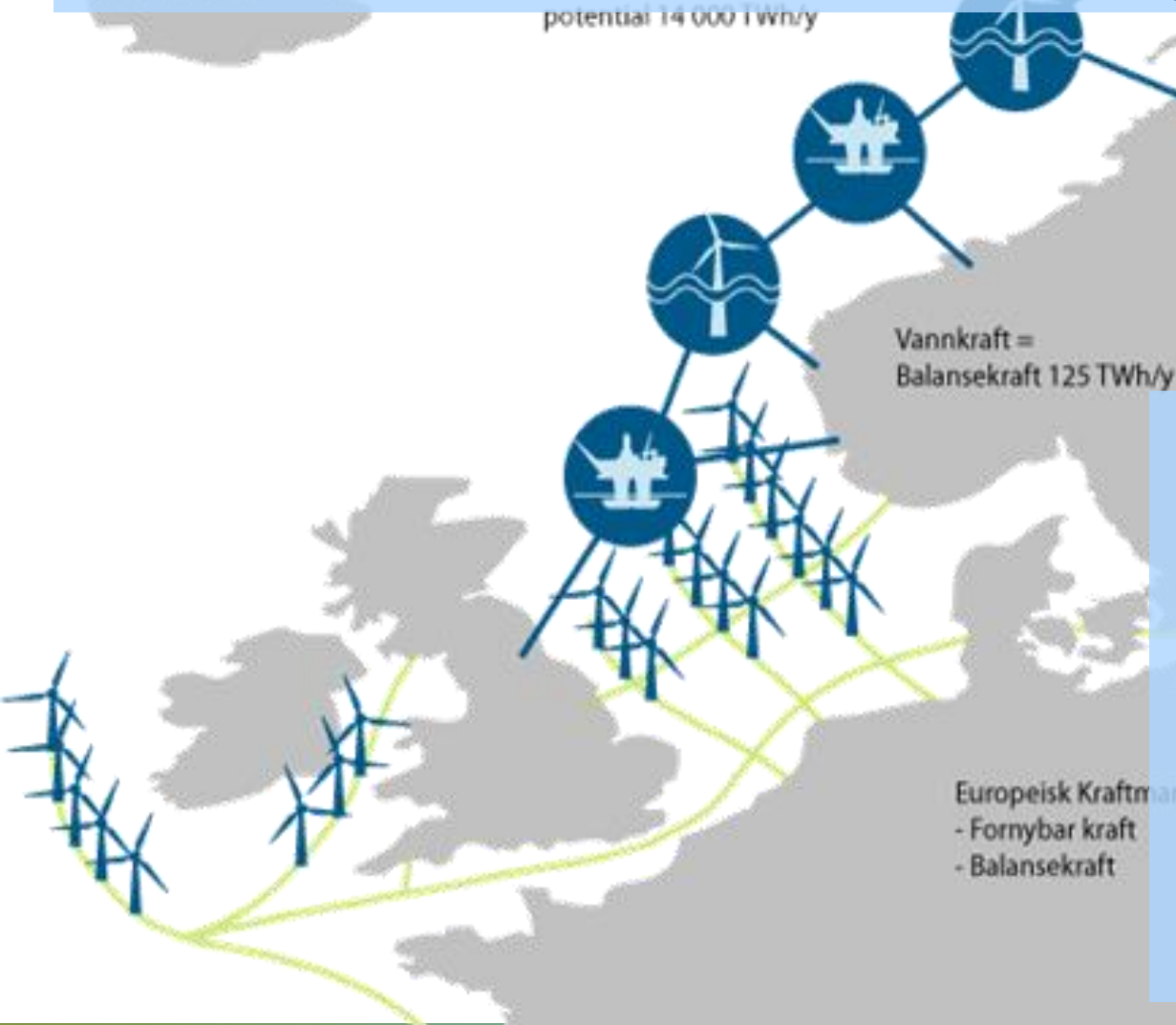
What type of **adaption** that are needed (and possible) in the existing hydropower system

Optimal design of the future hydropower system (including adaption to future **Climate Change**)

Technological **evolution and innovation** (e.g. for pumped storage, tunnels, ...)

Design of **environmentally friendly** hydropower

Wind power and Hydropower Integration in the North Sea Region

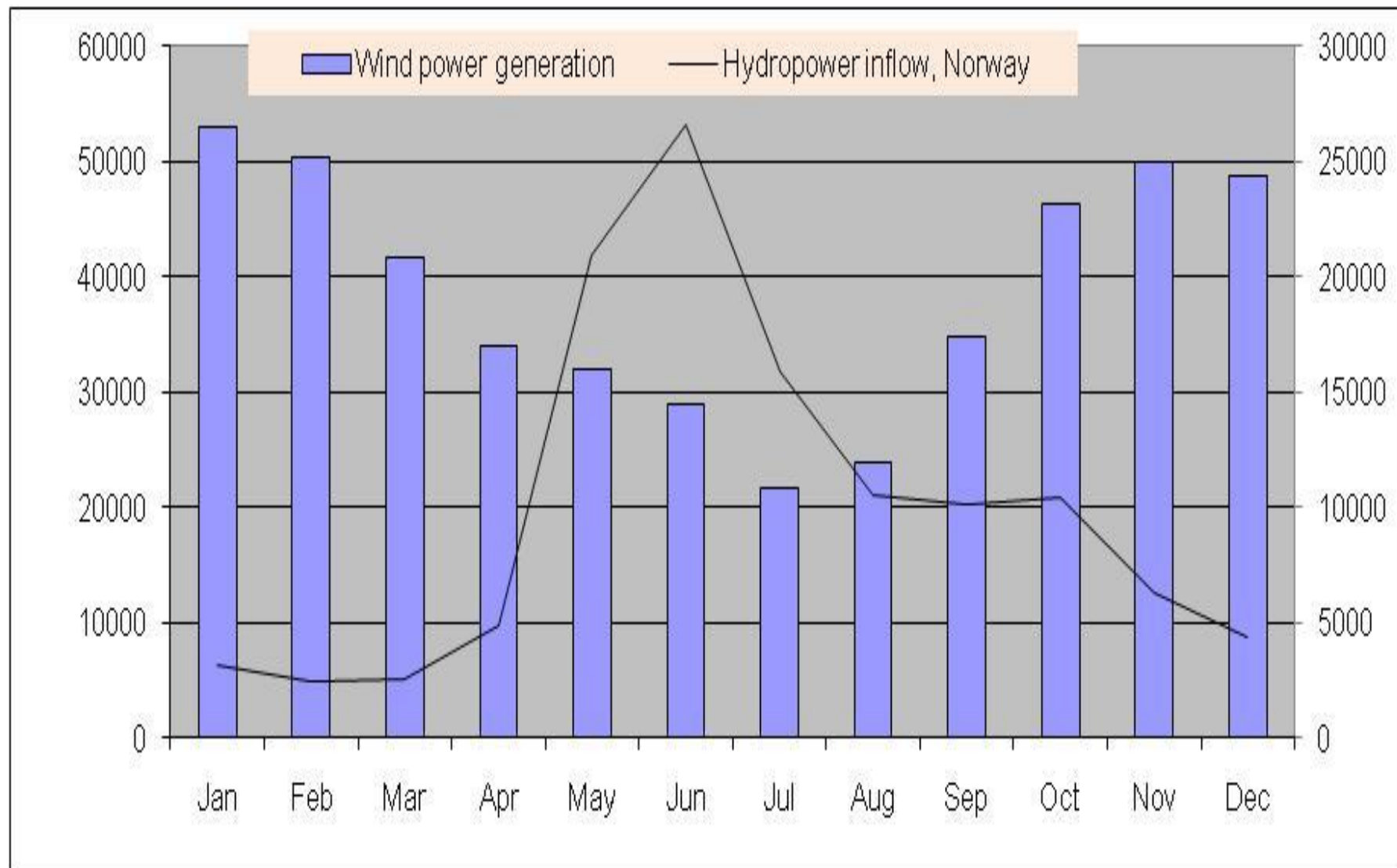


Case studied:

94 000 MW
Wind power

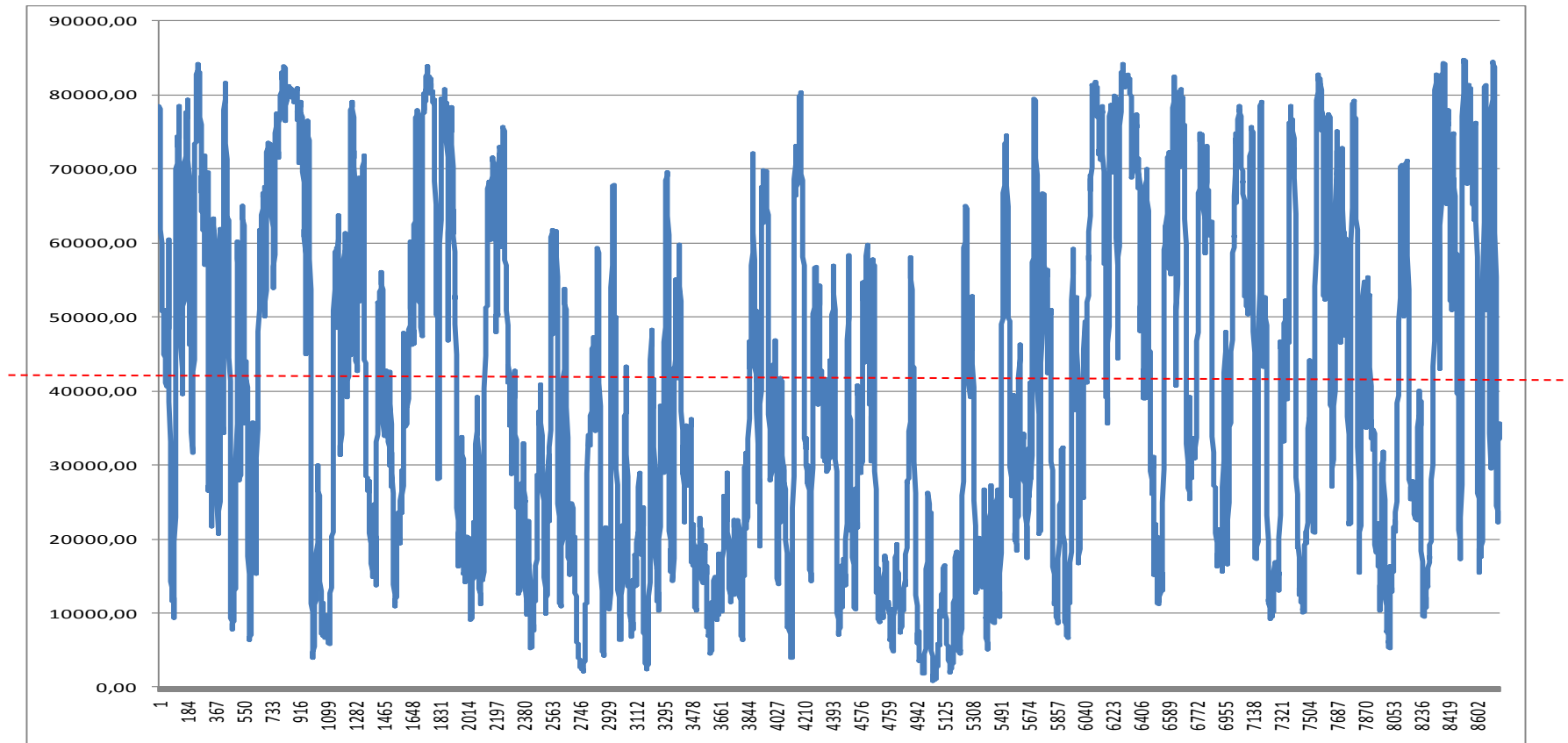
Scenario 2030?

Wind and hydro looks like a good match



However - Wind energy is highly variable

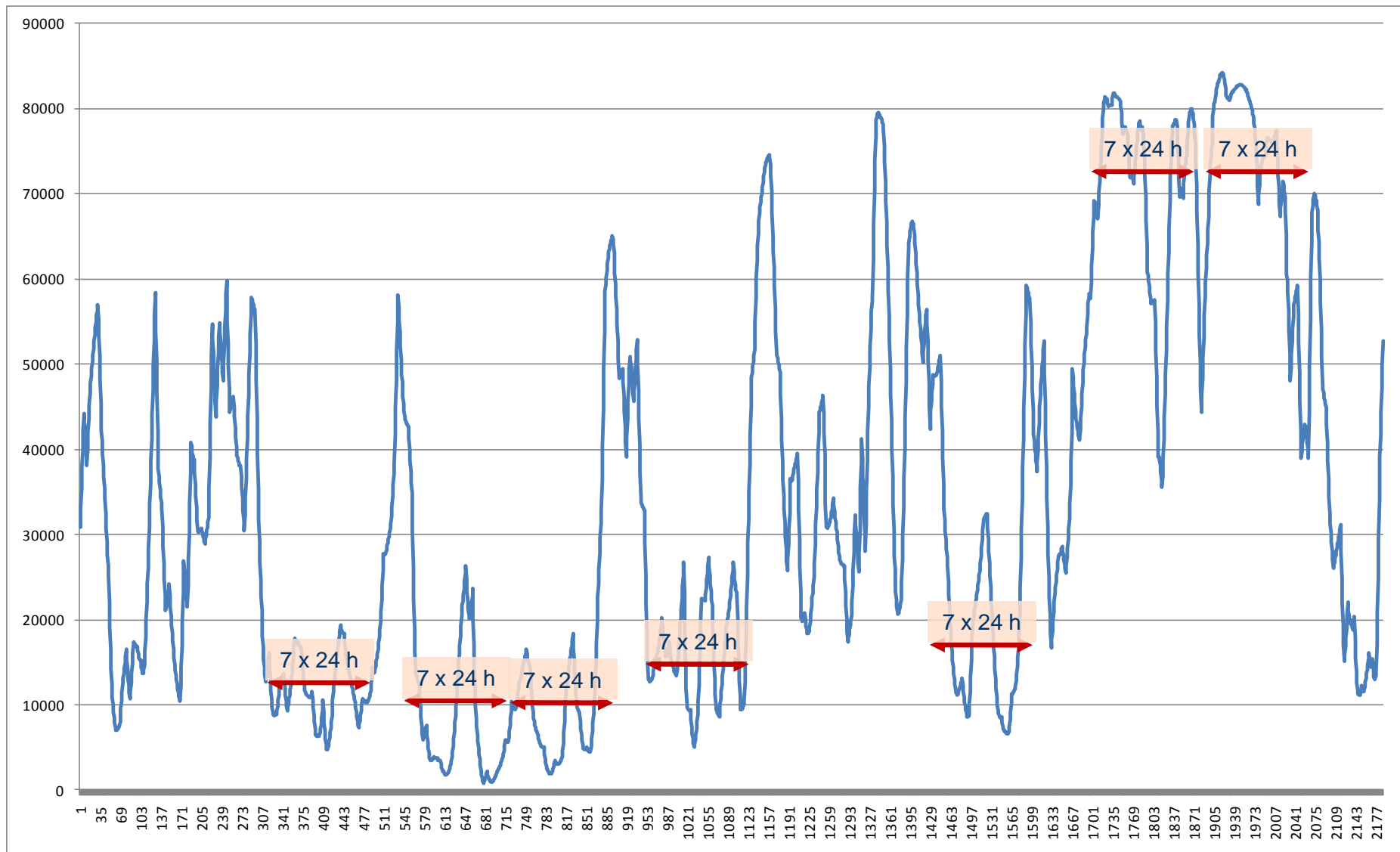
(Hourly simulated wind power for one year – data from TradeWind)



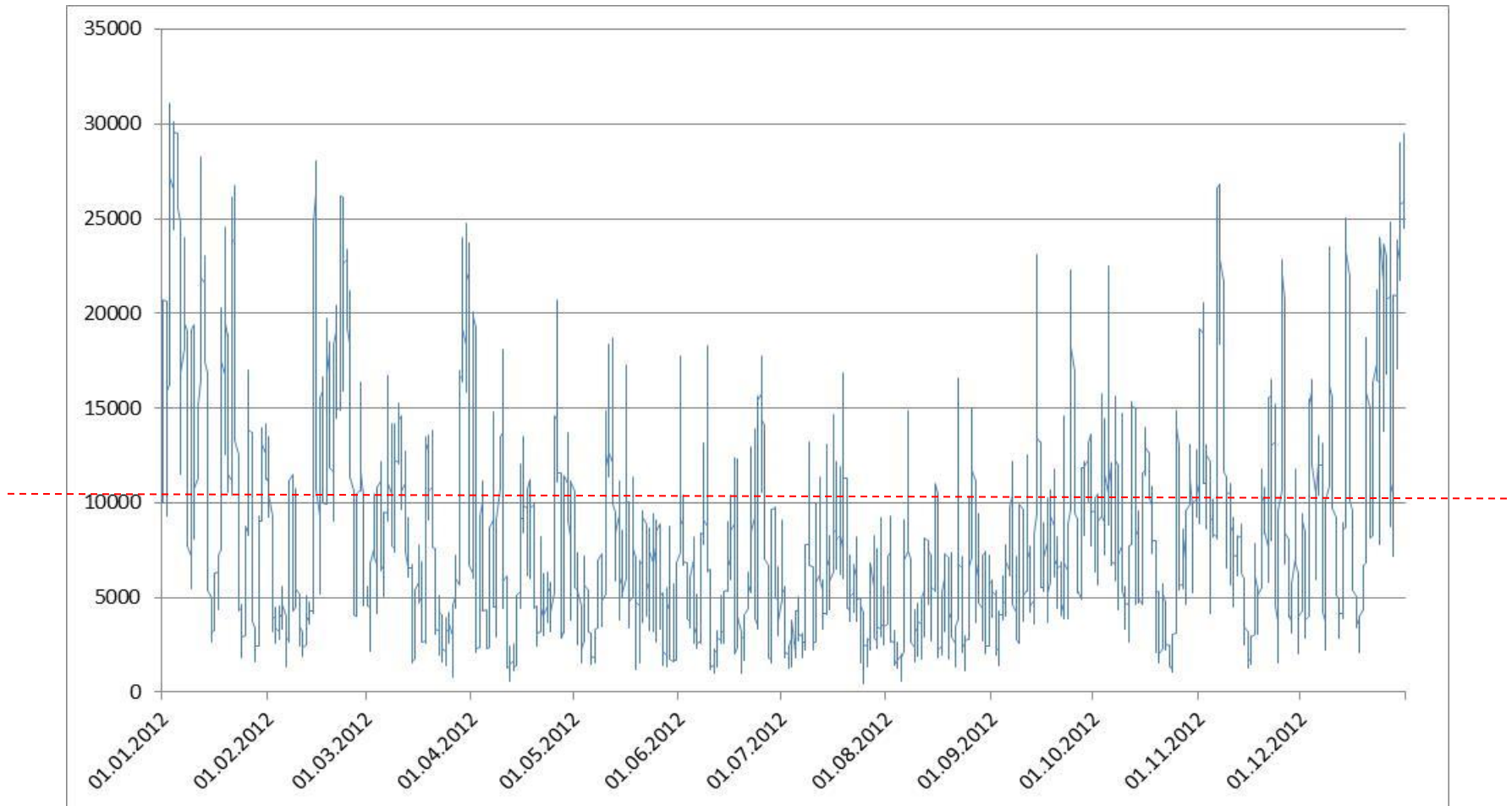
Simulated Wind energy production in a North-Sea system with 94000 MW installed capacity (Stadium 2030)

Maximum: 84 448 MW
Minimum: 2 774 MW
Typical: 40 000 MW

Sim. Wind Power North-Sea Region - July – Sep 2001



Wind Power in North-Sea Region (DE, DK, GB, IR) in 2012



Observed Wind energy production in a system with **45600 MW** installed capacity (Stadium 2012)

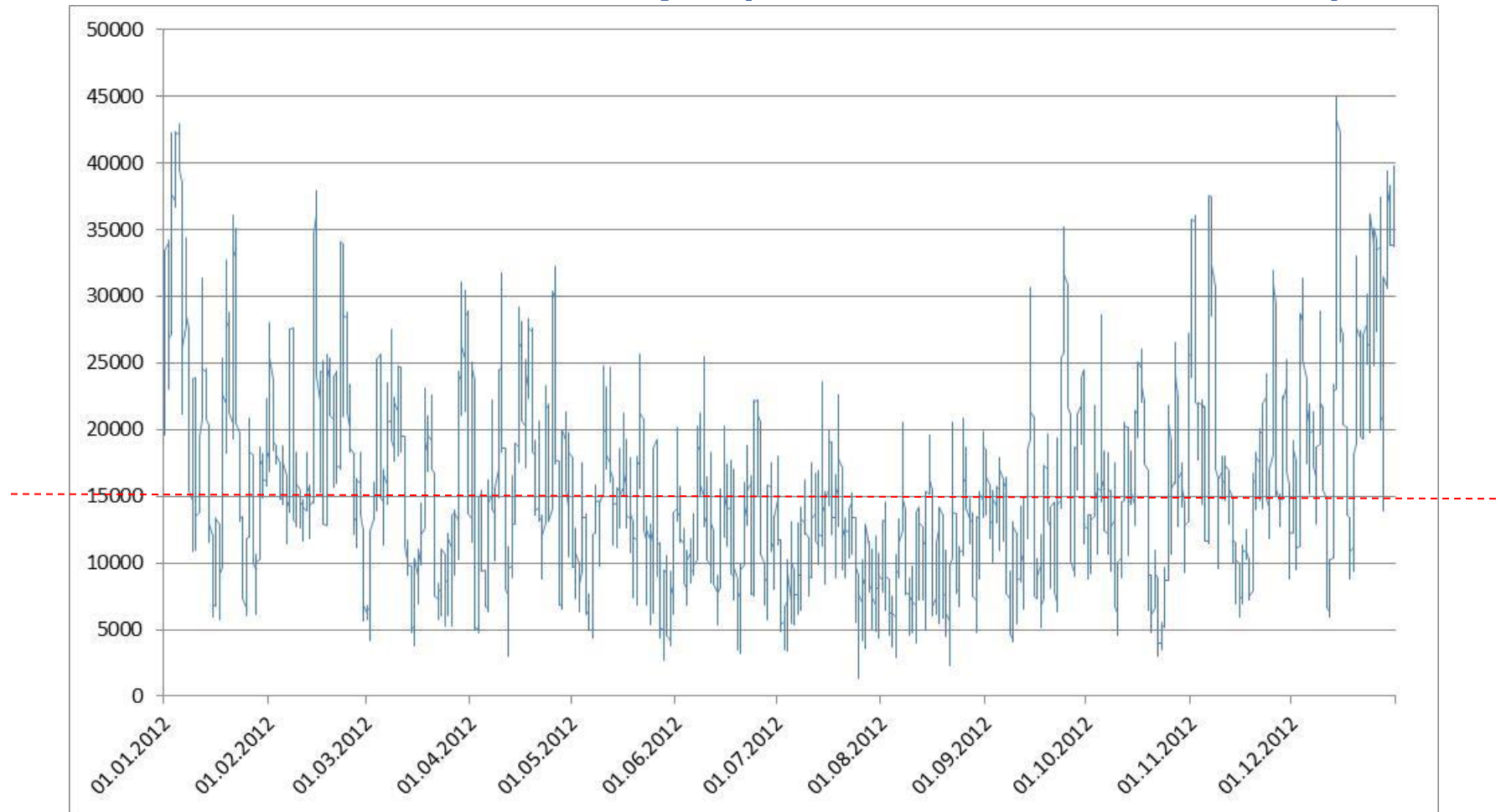
Maximum: 31062 MW

Minimum: 419 MW

Typical: 8300 MW

Capacity Factor: **0.18**

Wind Power in West Europe (ES, FR, DE, DK, GB, IR) 2012



Observed Wind energy production
In a system with **76013** MW
installed capacity (Stadium 2012)

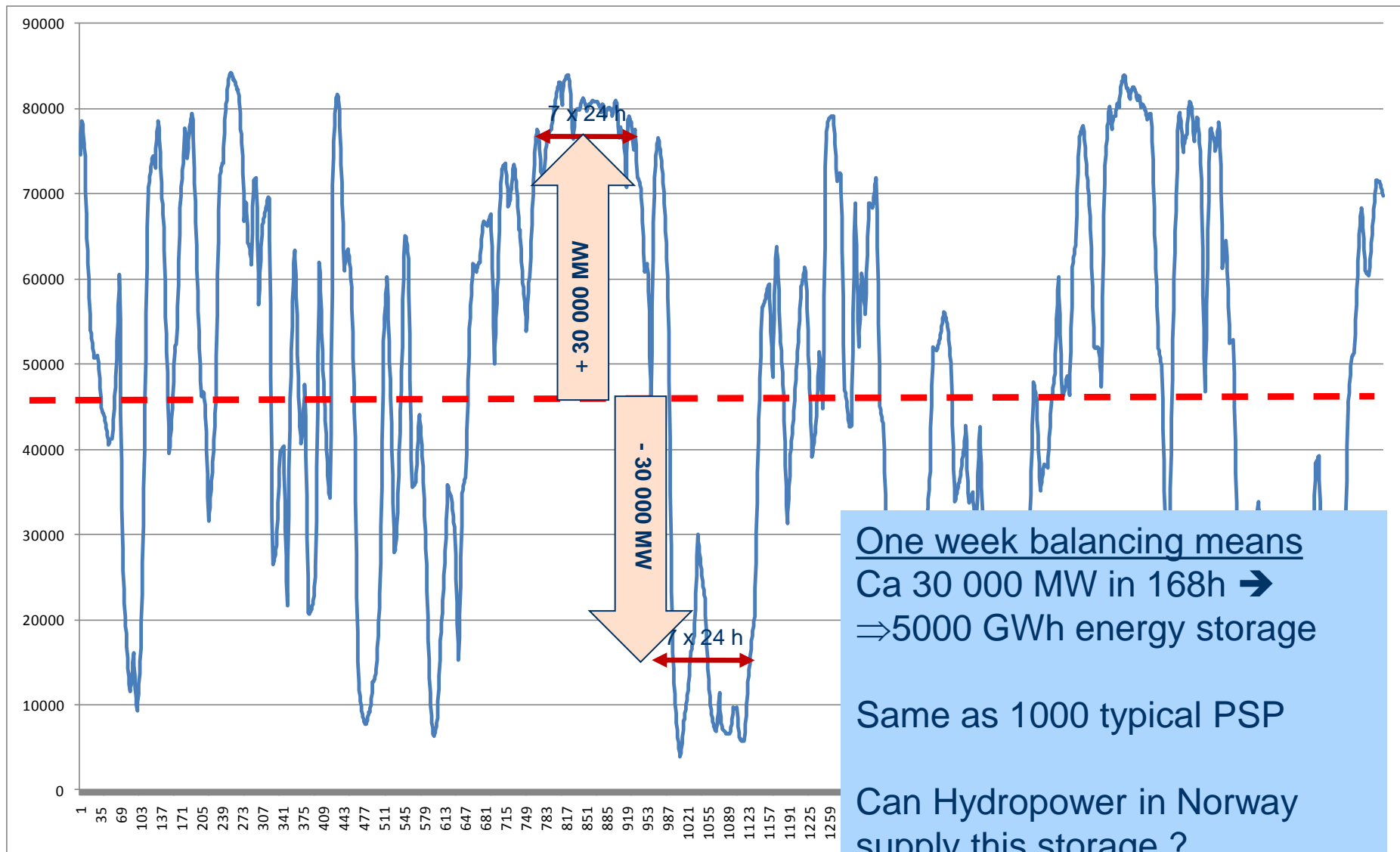
Maximum: 44995 MW

Minimum: 1272 MW

Typical: 15400 MW

Capacity Factor: **0.20**

Simulated Wind Power North-Sea Region Jan–Mar 2001

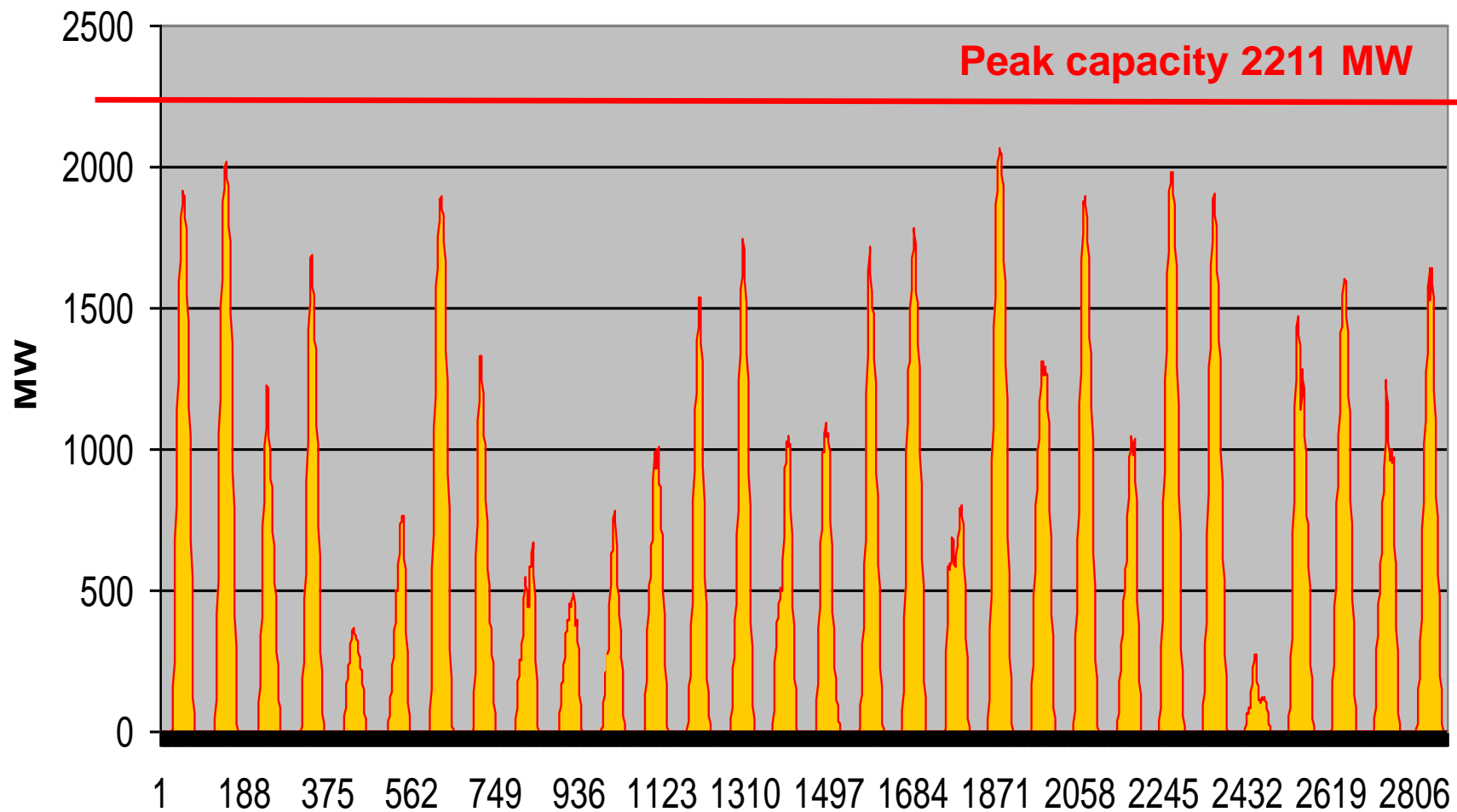


One week balancing means
Ca 30 000 MW in 168h →
⇒ 5000 GWh energy storage

Same as 1000 typical PSP

Can Hydropower in Norway
supply this storage ?

Solar (PV) Power generation in Belgium April 2013

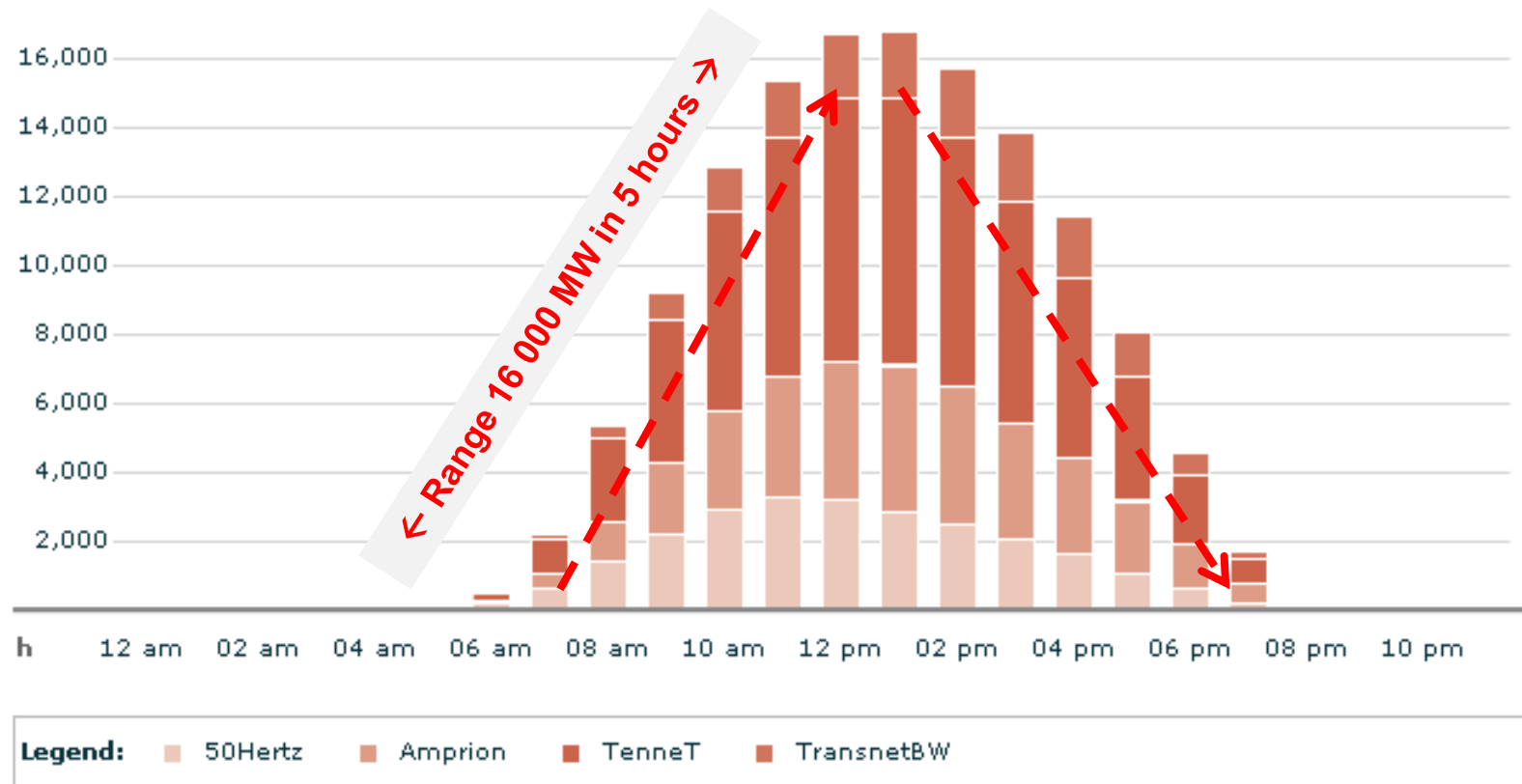


Solar energy output (MW) in Germany May 5th 2013

displayed period: 2013/05/01, 12:00 am - 2013/05/01, 11:59 pm

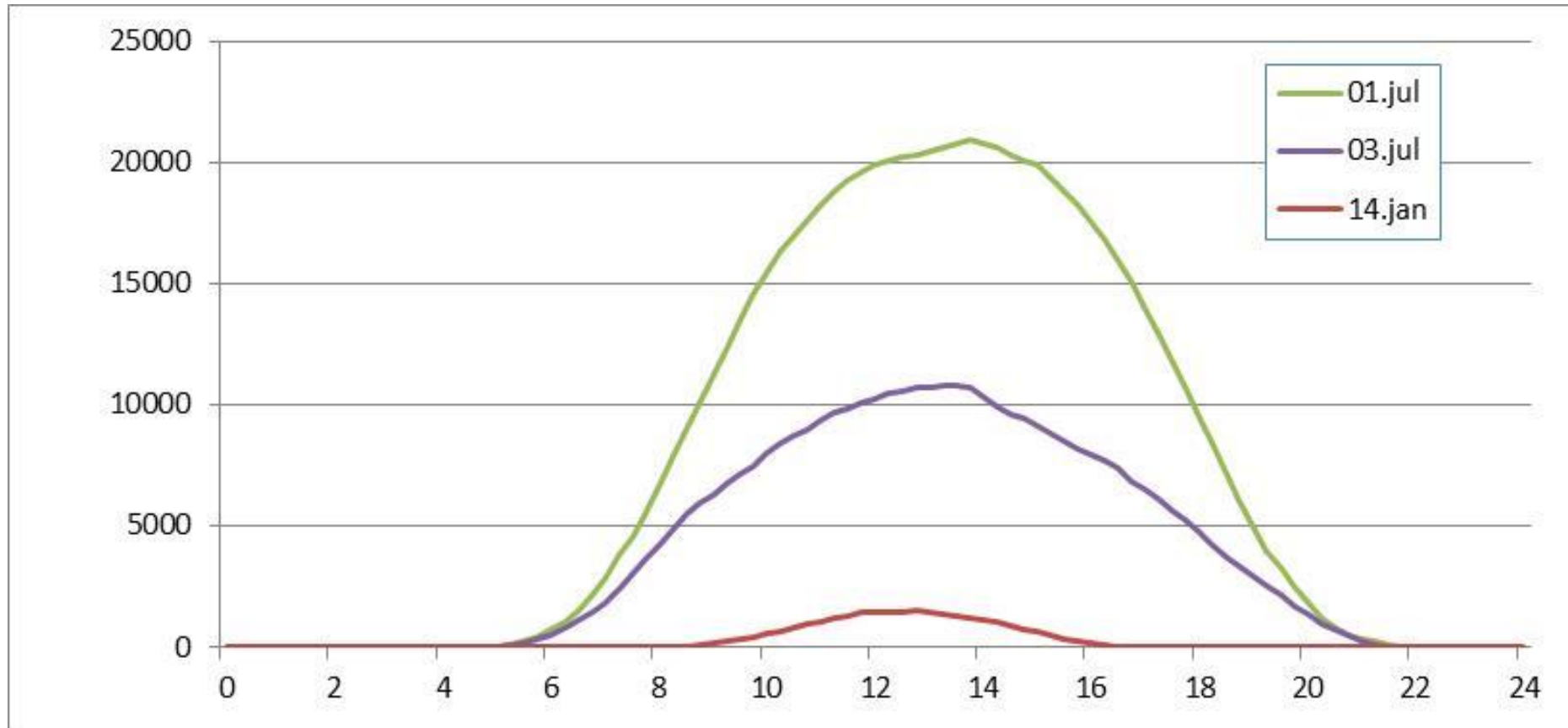
Latest update: 2013/05/03, 12:00:03 am

MW



Solar power output (MW) in Germany in 2013

System capacity: 30 000 MW



VRE Integration – Highlights

Integration cost increases with increasing penetration of VRE

Integration costs of wind power can be in the same range as generation costs at moderate shares (~20%)

Integration costs can become an economic barrier to deploying VRE at high shares

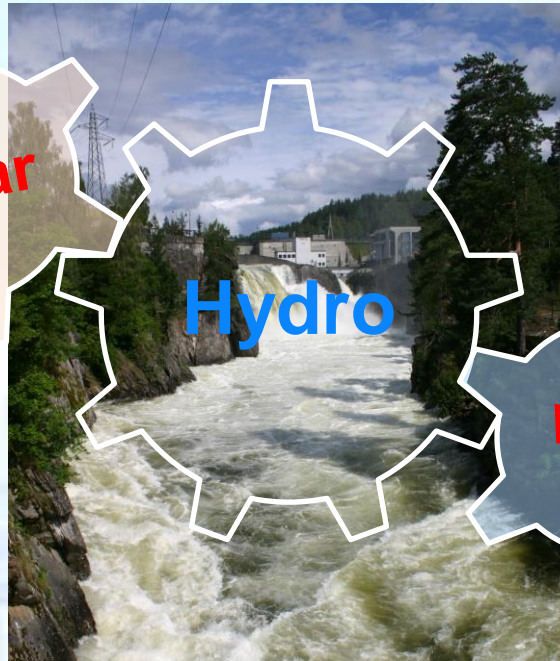
A significant driver of integration costs is the reduced utilization of capital-intensive conventional plants

An economic evaluation of wind and solar power must not neglect integration costs!



Solar

Hydropower – Supporting other Renewables



Hydro



Wind



CEDREN studies in 2011
And 2012: How can
Norway contribute?

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Hydropower - supporting other Renewables

Storage of energy (as water)

- Seasonal
- Synoptic scale (7-10 days, PSH)
- Daily balancing (PSH)

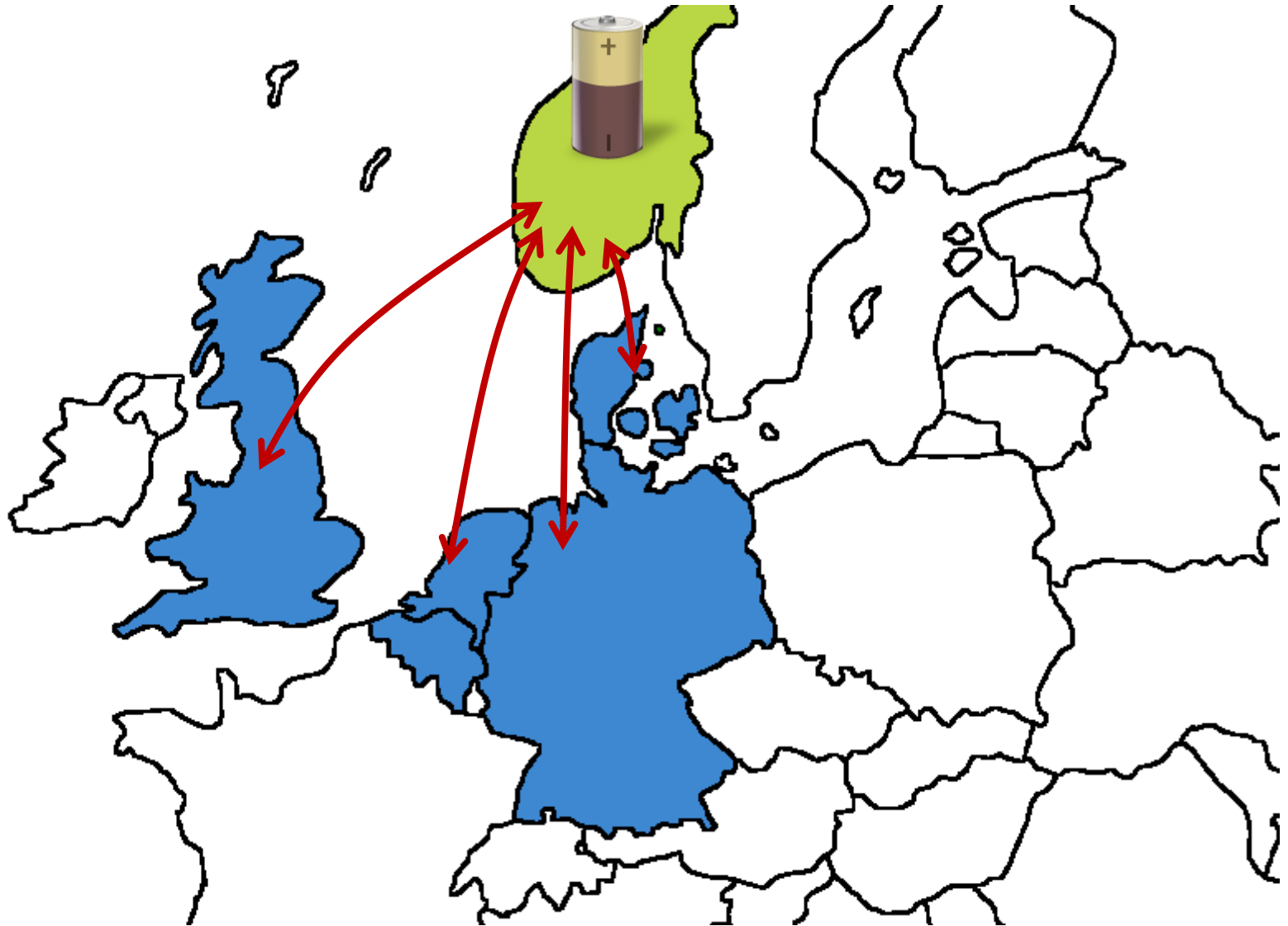
Very fast response time

- Frequency regulation
- Spinning reserves
- Non-spinning reserves
- Voltage support
- Black-start capacity

Important for achieving

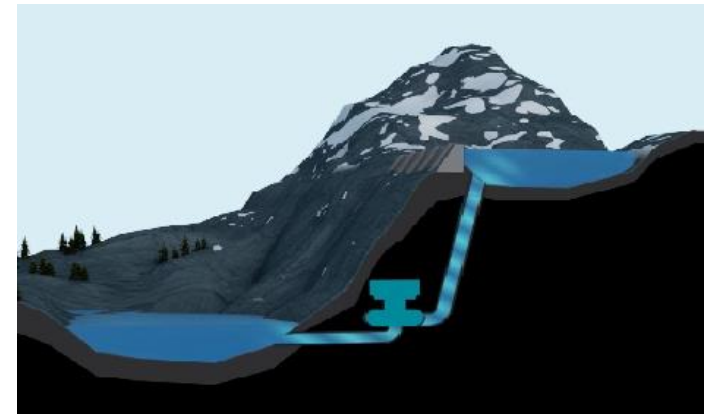
- Grid stabilization
- Load balancing
- Storage of intermittent energy (Solar and Wind)
- ➔ Permitting higher penetration levels for RE in Europe

Hydropower storage in Norway – «The Green Battery of Europe»?





**The reservoir capacity of Lake Blåsjø is 7.8 TWh
This is 1000 times storage in Goldisthal PSP in Germany**



(Source: Statkraft)

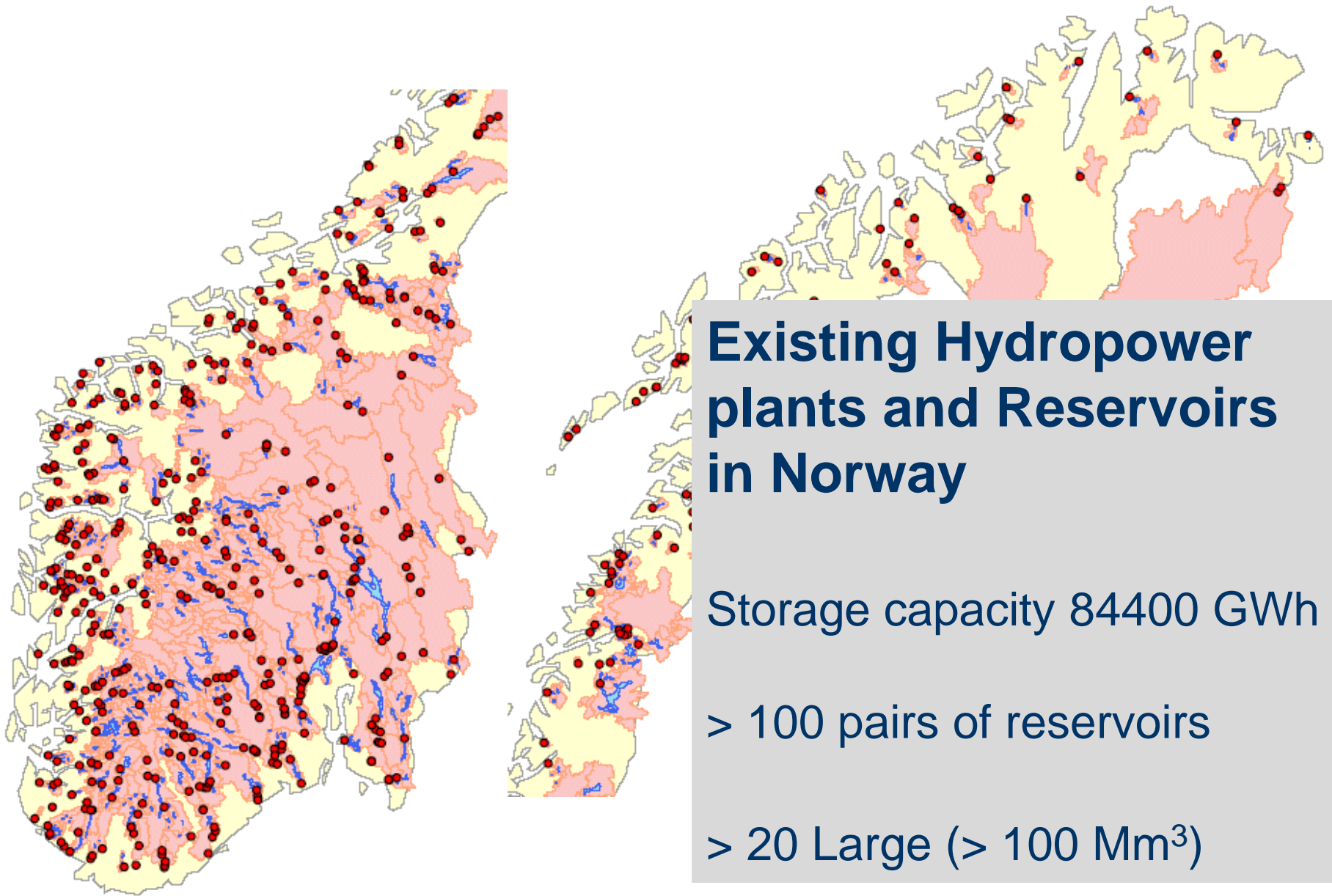
Pumped Storage hydroPower (PSP) seems the best option for balancing large volumes of wind energy

PSP can handle both surplus and deficit situations

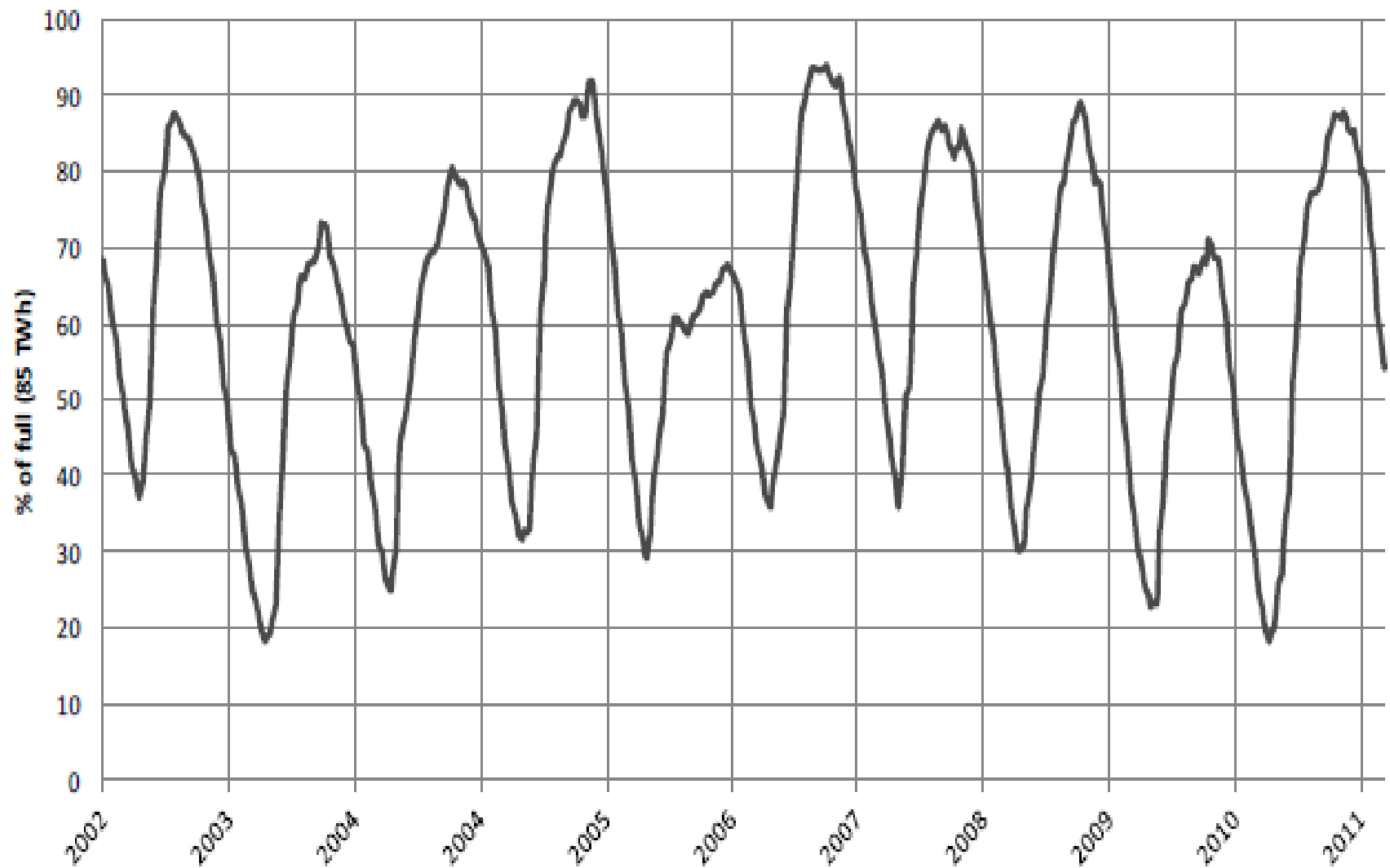
Pair(s) of reservoirs needed

Large volume of storage

Large head difference



Energy content (%) in Norwegian hydropower reservoirs 2002-2012



Report

Norwegian hydropower for large-scale electricity balancing needs

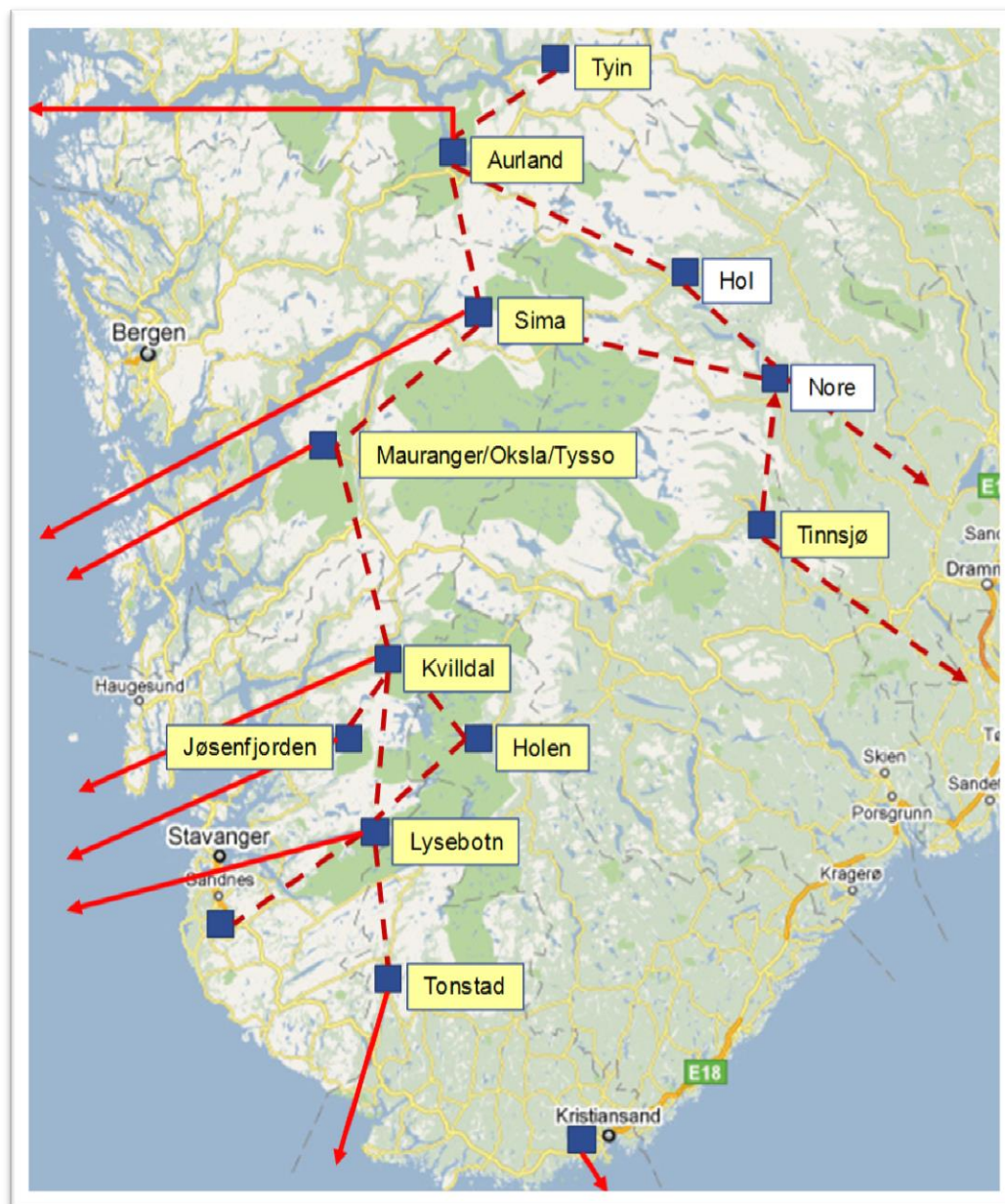
Technical, environmental and social challenges

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Case 1: Botsvatn - Vatnedalsvatn

Average Head 200 m

Max storage: 296 Mm³

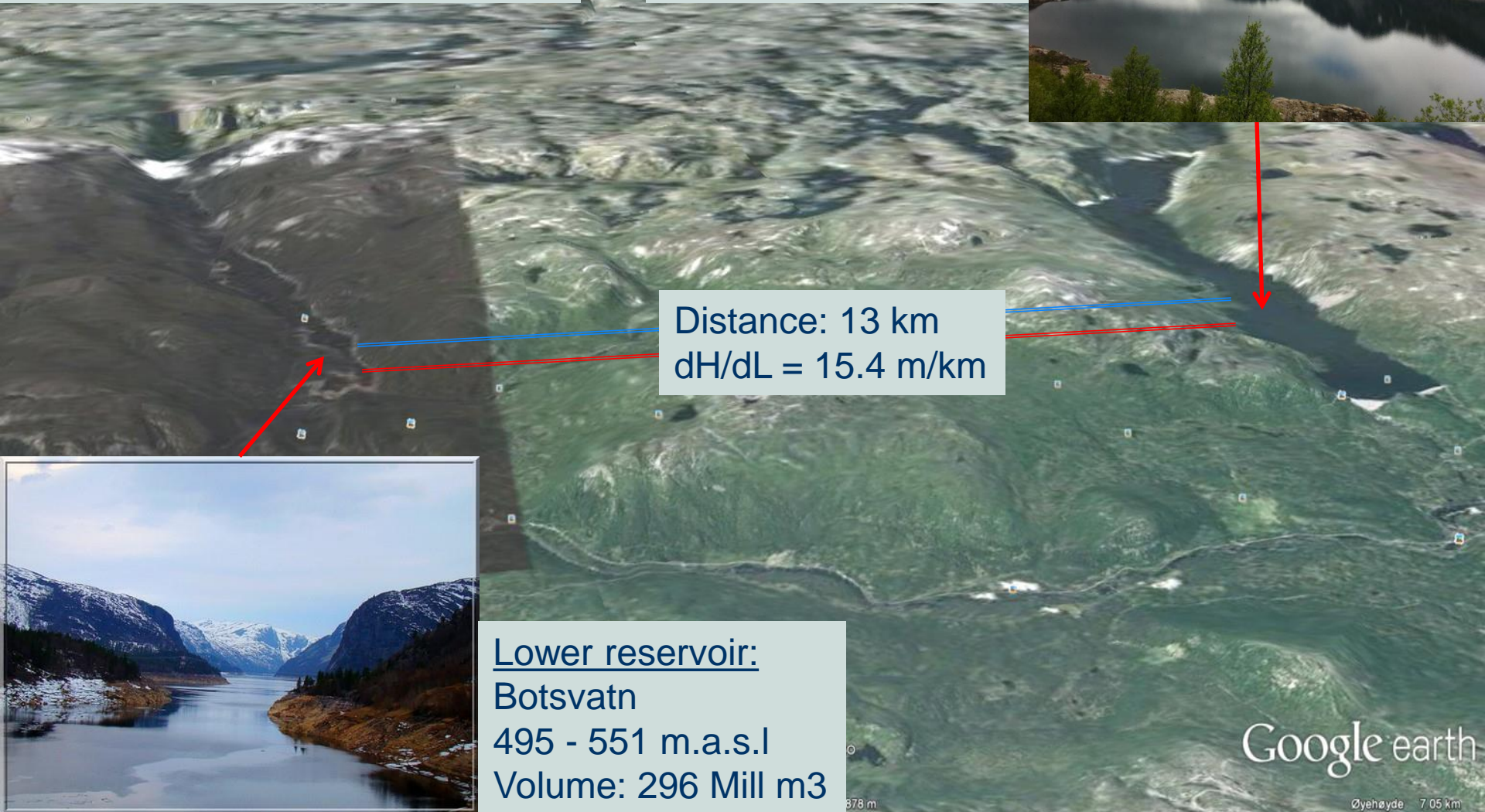
Potential storage 150 GWh

Upper reservoir:

Vatnedalsvatn

700 - 840 m.a.s.l

Volume: 1150 Mill m³



Distance: 13 km
 $dH/dL = 15.4 \text{ m/km}$

Lower reservoir:

Botsvatn

495 - 551 m.a.s.l

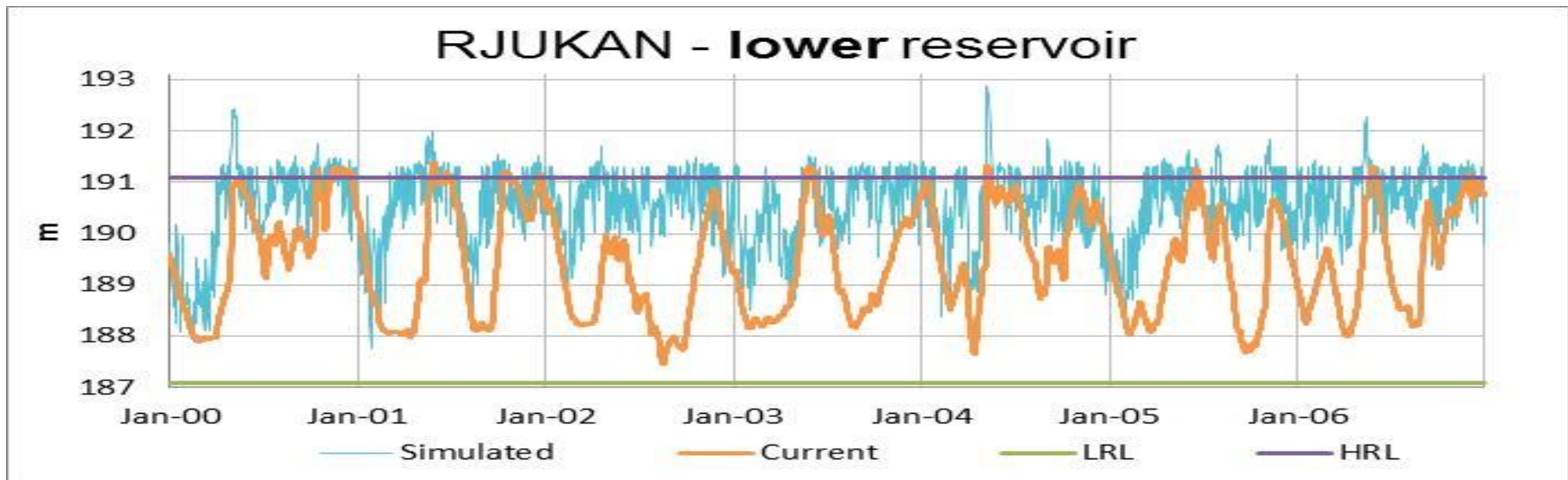
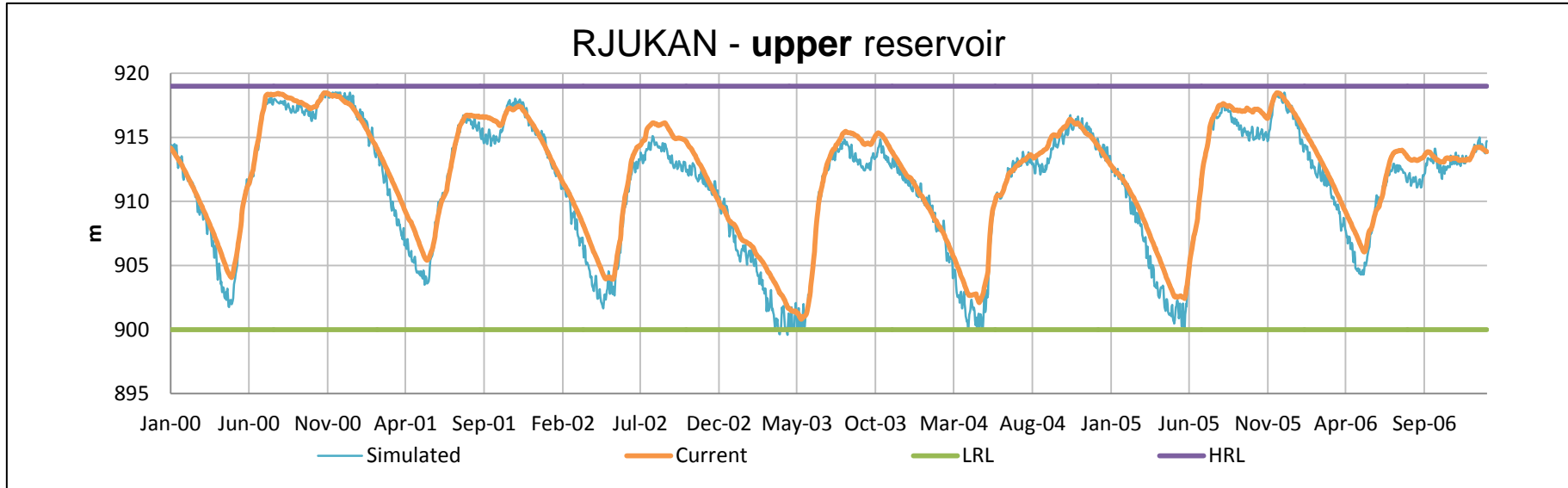
Volume: 296 Mill m³



Google earth

Øyehøyde 7.05 km

Simulating water level variations in existing hydro reservoirs



Environmental impacts in the reservoirs



Ice on reservoirs – what about safety for wildlife and people?



Social and political acceptance?



Yes – Norway could become a “Green battery” for Europe



- **Norwegian hydropower reservoirs have enough unused storage capacity to give a significant contribution**
- **But - new peaking and PSP needs to be constructed – Existing capacity is not enough**
- **Balancing capacity > 20 000 MW is possible**
- **But many challenges remains:**
 - ✓ **Environmental/Social acceptance (NIMBY)**
 - ✓ **Market design (who will pay?)**
 - ✓ **Grid development is needed (lots of ...)**

New project in CEDREN (2014): HydroBalance

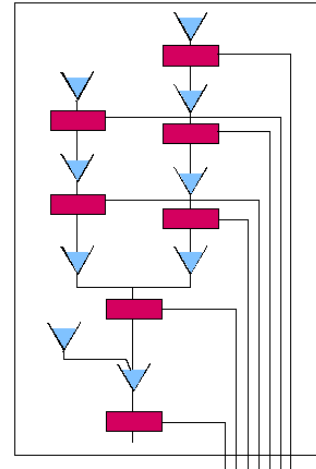
WP 1: Roadmaps for balancing from Norwegian hydropower

WP 2: Demand for energy balancing storage

WP 3: Analyses to develop relevant business models

WP4: Environmental impact of operation schemes for balancing

WP 5: Social acceptance and regulatory framework



Finally – a few words about hydropower education

Hydropower has a bright future – Worldwide and also in Europe

Important also for supporting other renewables

We need people to build, operate, maintain and redesign the system

Existing and new knowledge needs to be transferred to next generation

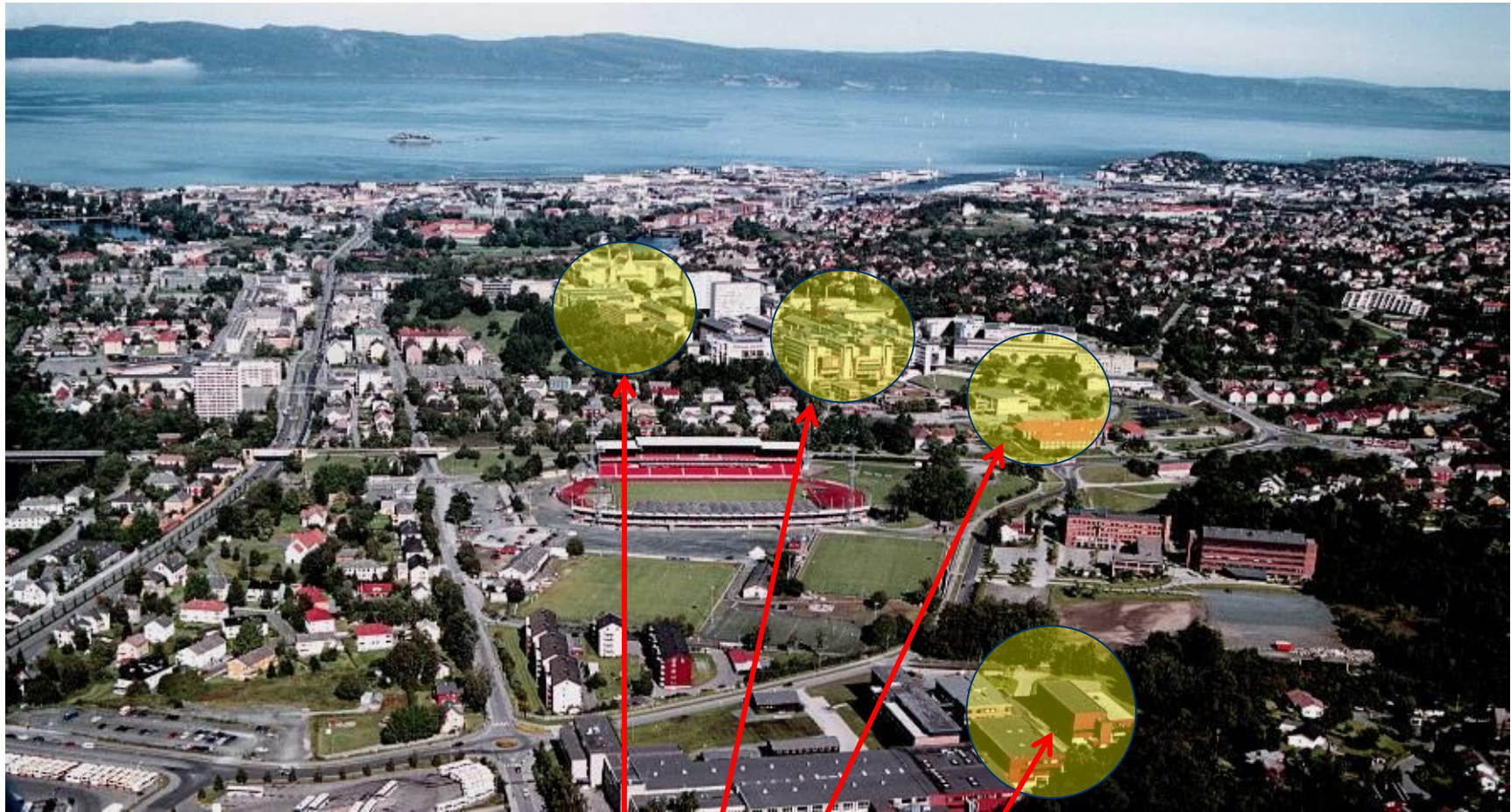
Do not forget education and training during periods of outsourcing

Research based education is very important in order to meet

New market demands,
new environmental regulations,
climate change ...

A few slides about Hydropower education in Norway follows

Hydropower education at NTNU



Electrical Engineering
Mechanical Engineering

Civil/Hydraulic Engineering
Geology/geotechnology

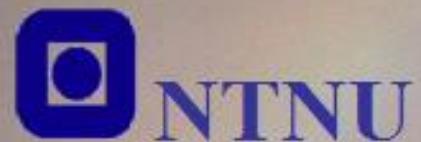
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Where do the Hydropower Development MSc students come from?

The World



In the 20 years from 1994 to 2014, over 300 students from 28 different countries have finished their 2 years MSc in the HPD program. Some of the countries are: Bangladesh, Bhutan, China, Costa Rica, Ethiopia, Ghana, India, Japan, Nepal, Pakistan, Phillipines, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Tanzania, Uganda, Vietnam, Zambia, Timor Leste, Malawi, Chile, Brazil, Italy, Armenia, Ukraine, New Zealand, Norway.

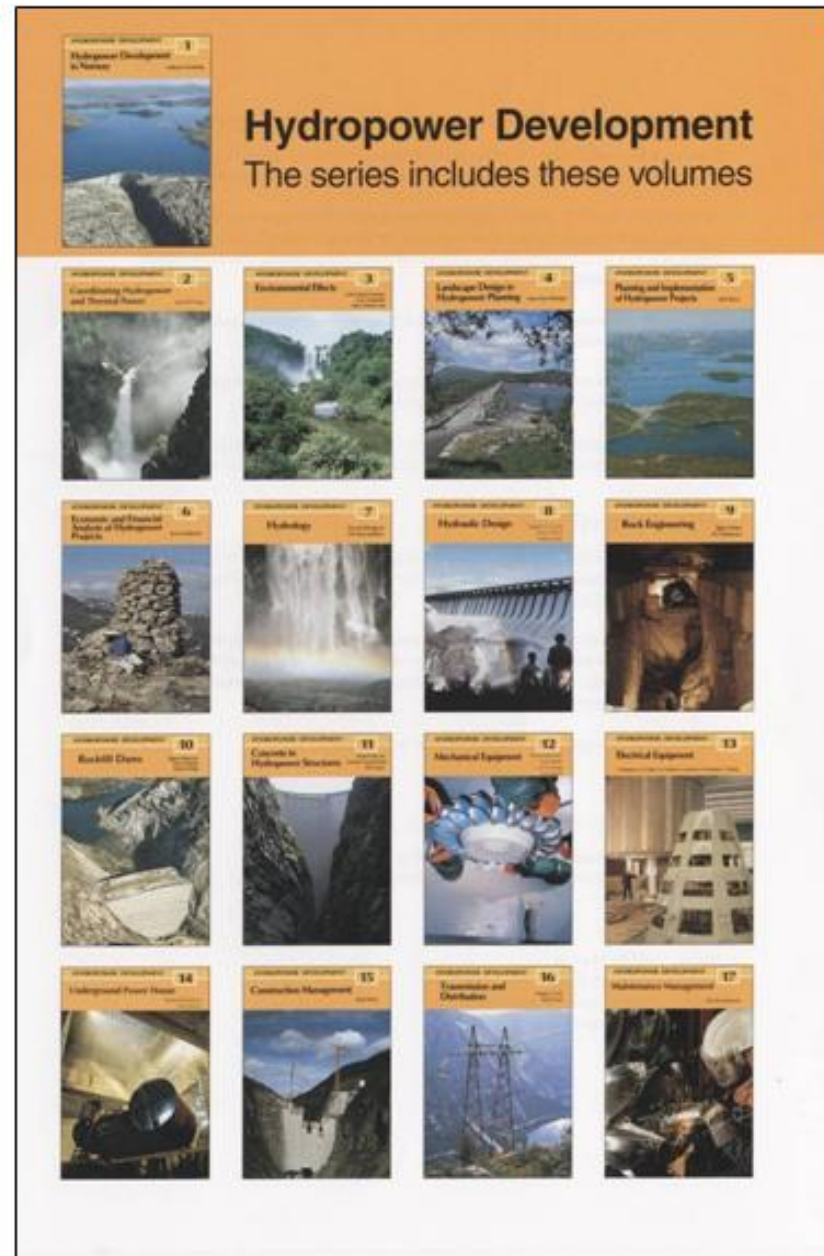


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