

#### Overview of development of cross-border interconnections

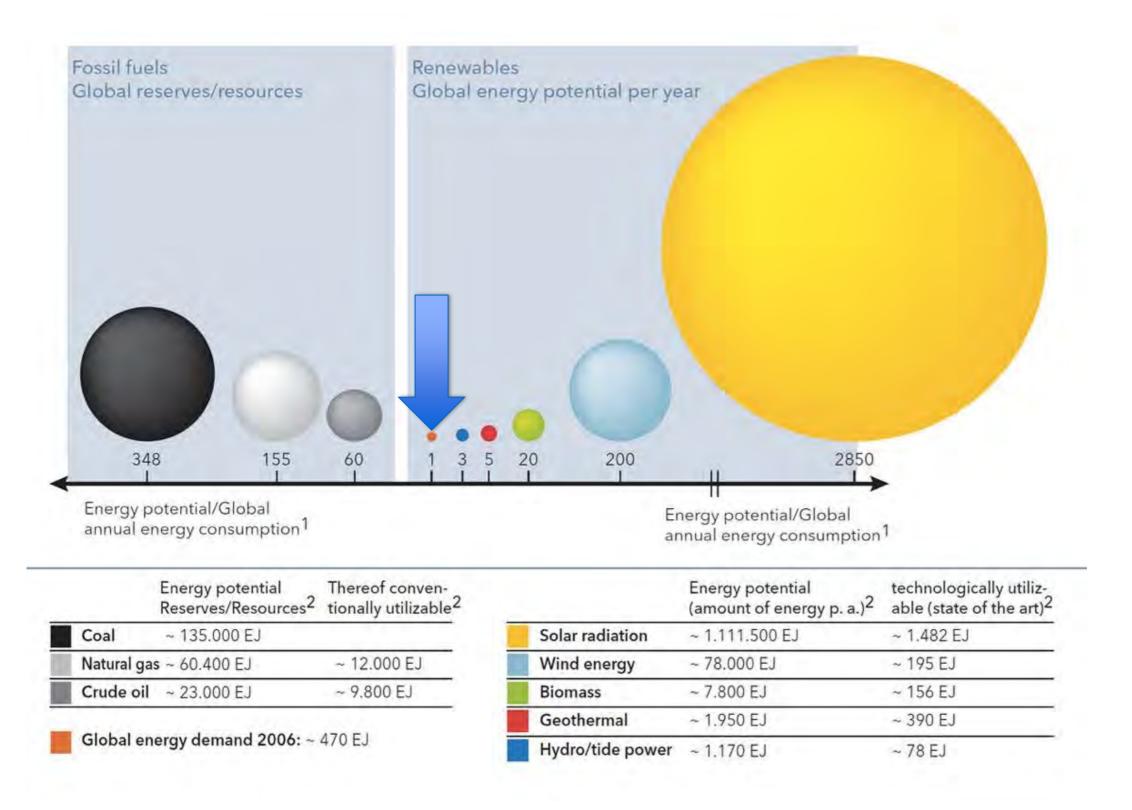
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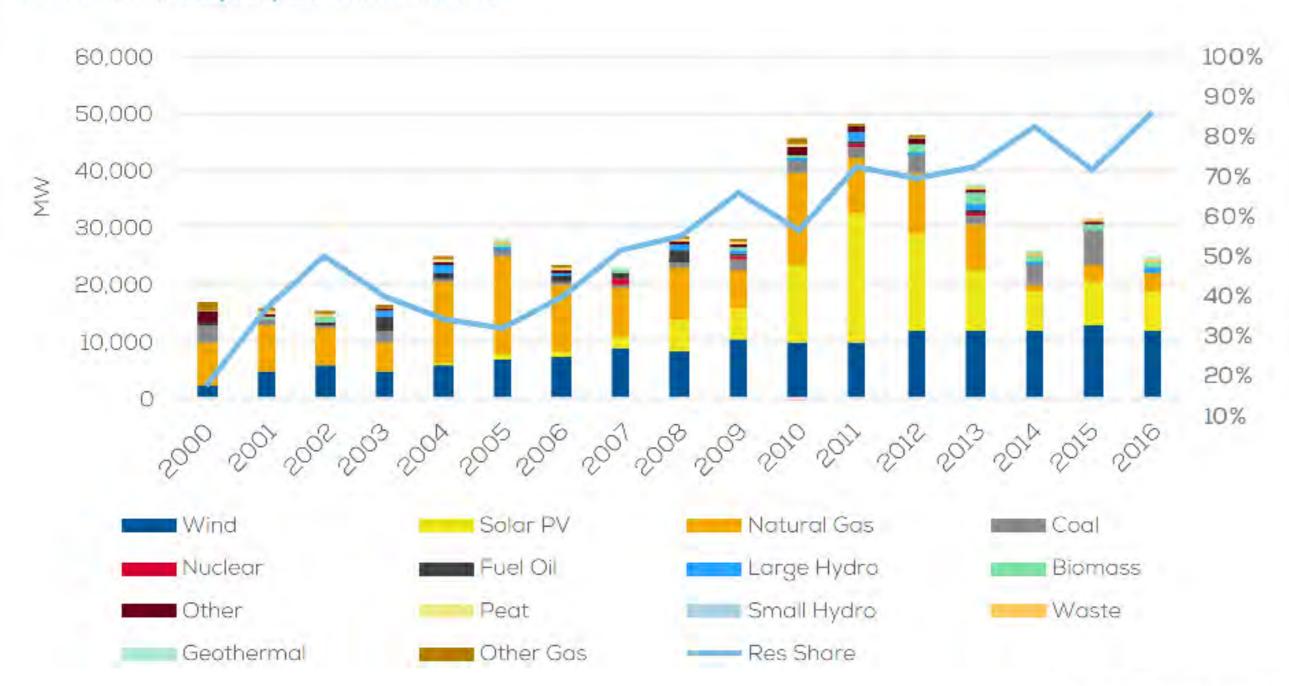
# Where will the energy come from?



Source: University of Twente

# **Europe has already decided Today 90 % RES**

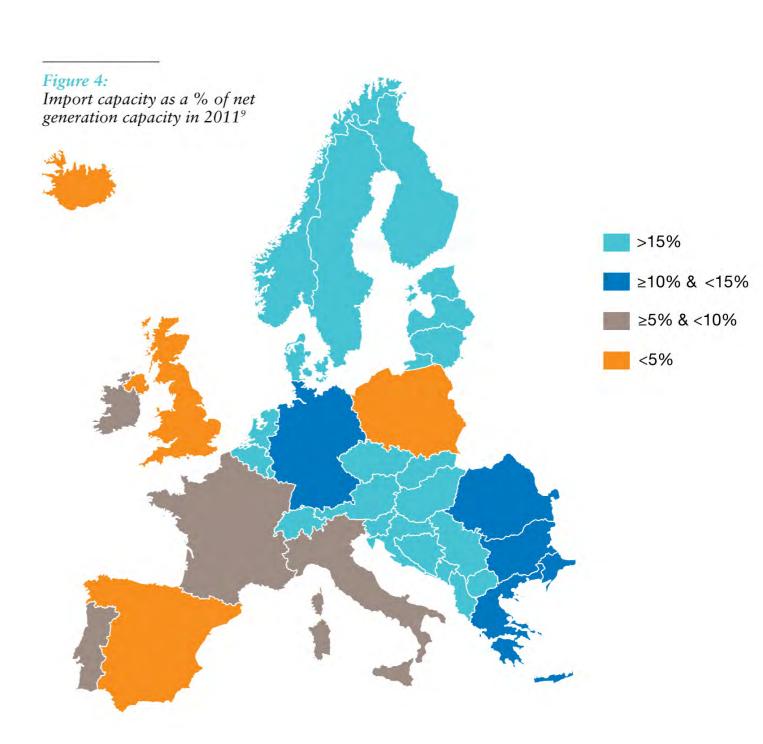
Annual installed capacity and renewable share



Source: WindEurope

# The European power challenge

- Strong expansion of variable renewable production
- Uncoordinated expansion of production
- Different incentive / tax systems
- Loop flows
- Unstable prices



# Cornestones in european energy policy

# Develop a fully operational and interconnected Energy Union

to enable energy diversification and guarantee security of supply.

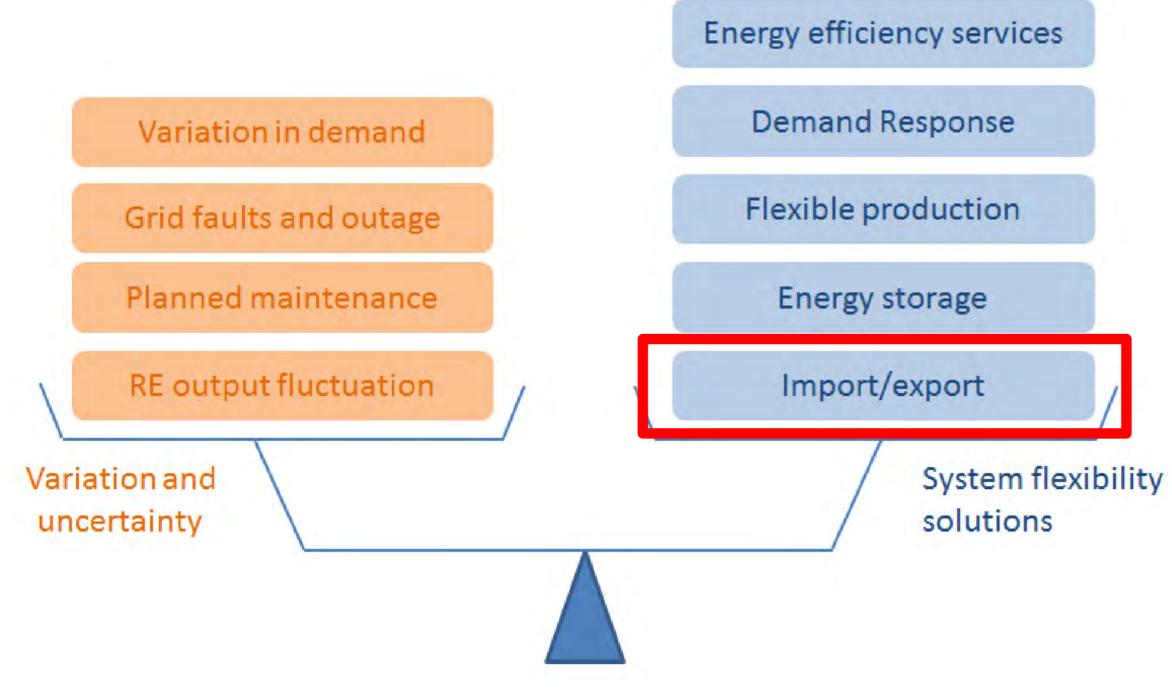
# Promote the integration of renewable energies so that

27 % of total energy consumption comes from renewable sources, hence reducing energy dependency.

#### Reduce greenhouse gas emissions by

-40 % compared to 1990 levels.

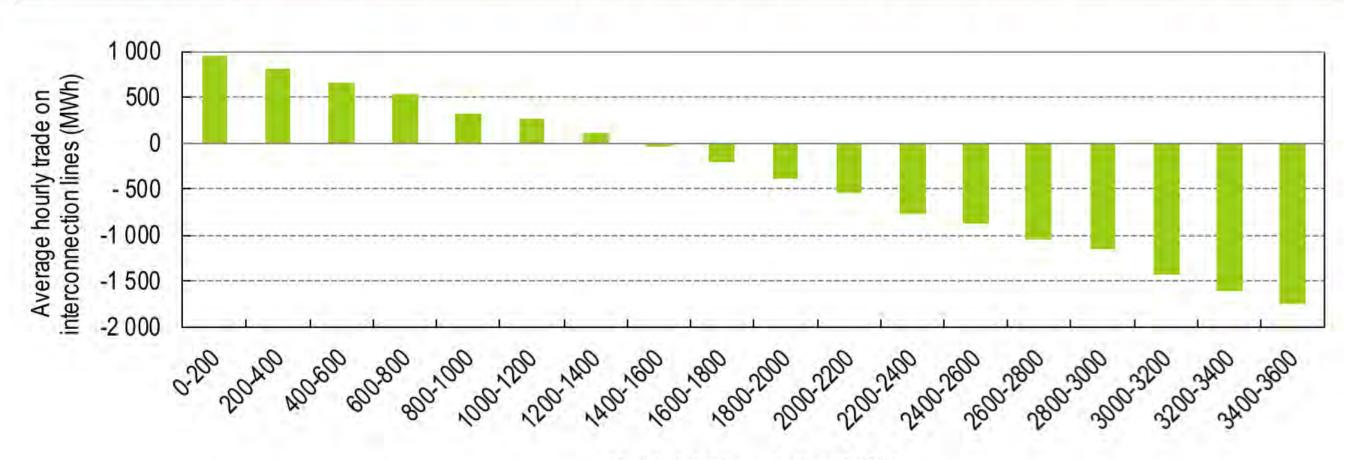
# The balance / variability challenge



Source: DG Internal Policies 2015

# Interconnections key to power balance Example wind power in Denmark

Figure 6 • Average trade on interconnection lines by wind generation levels, western Denmark, 2015

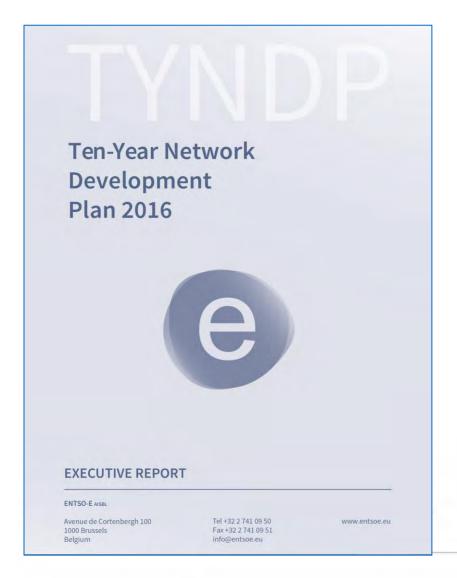


Hourly Wind production (MWh)

Source: Adapted from Energinet.dk (2016), Market data

#### **ENTSO-E**

#### Ten Year Network Development Plan 2016



€150bn

investments, of which 70-80 by 2030

50% to 80%

emissions cut depending on the vision

1 to 2 €/MWh

impact on bills due to transmission investment

1.5 to 5 €/MWh 40%

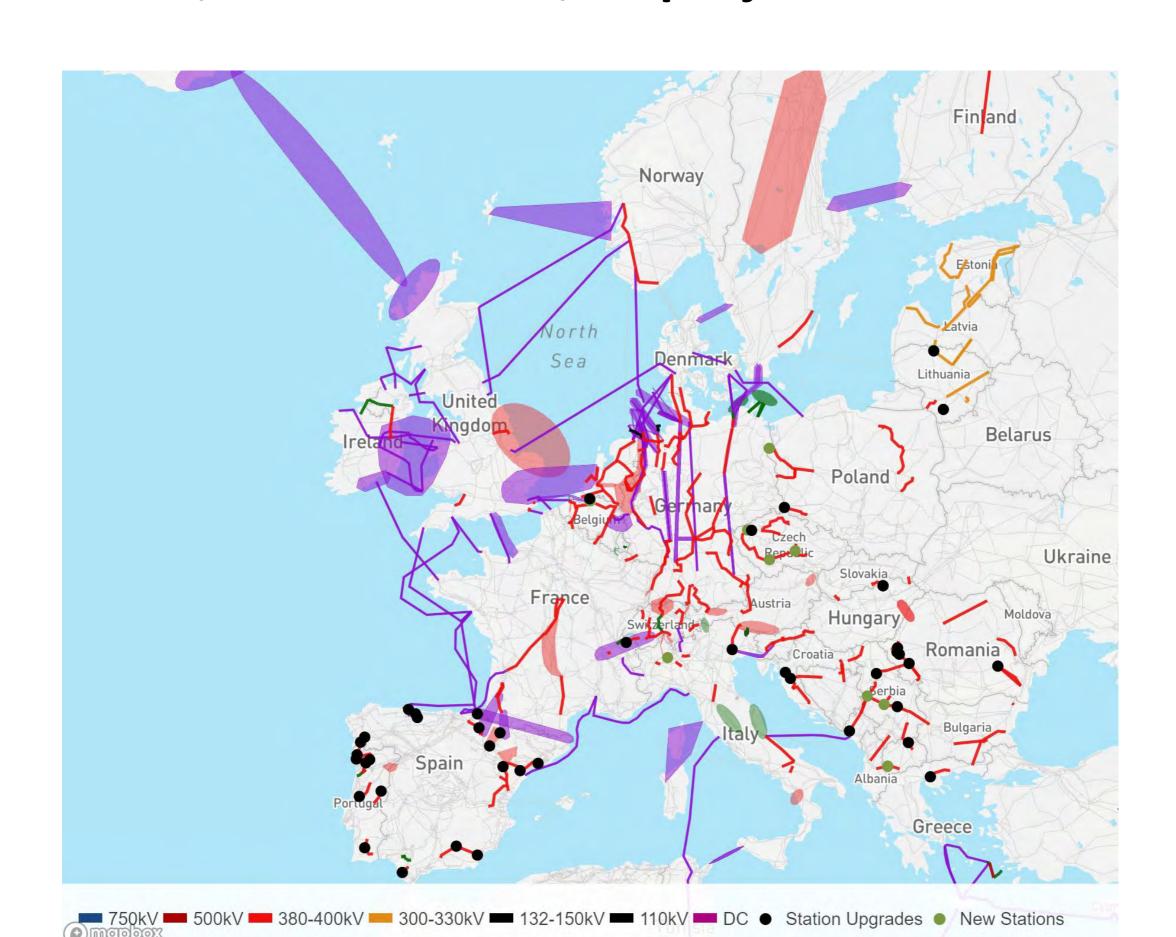
potential reduction in wholesale prices

45 to 60%

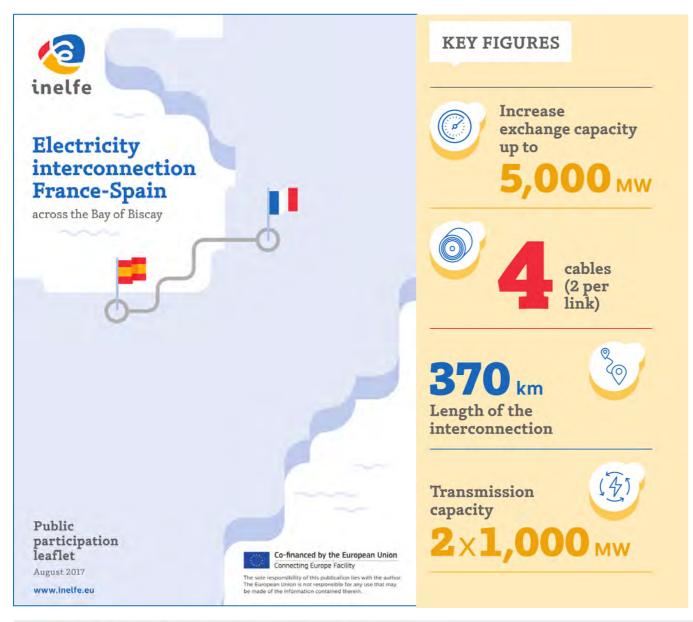
RES across 4 Visions for 2030

reduction in congestion hours

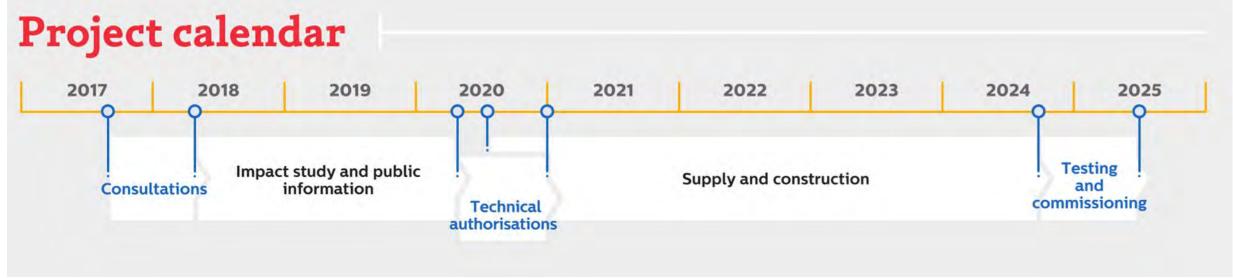
## ENTSO-E, Ten Year Plan, all projects



#### **Case: INELFE Interconnection France - Spain**



- Security of supply
- Increased efficiency
- Economy
- Integration of RES
- Total cost €1.75bn of which EU support €0.70bn



### **Case: INELFE Interconnection France - Spain**

SEW Savings in generation fuel and operation cost Meuros/yr

RES Additional hosting capacity renewable GWh/yr

Losses Reduction in losses GWh/yr

CO2 Change in CO2 emissions
 kT/yr

EP2020	Vision 1	Vision 2	Vision 3	Vision 4
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
200 ±30	120 ±20	150 ±20	120 ±30	240 ±30
40 ±40	460 ±200	960 ±190	700 ±250	1000 ±140
700 ±100	800 ±100	1200 ±400	750 ±100	1200 ±200
30 ±5	40 ±10	55 ±20	35 ±10	55±20
2400 ±500	800 ±400	±100	-1000 ±200	-2300 ±200
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### 75 planned links, 25 Submarine



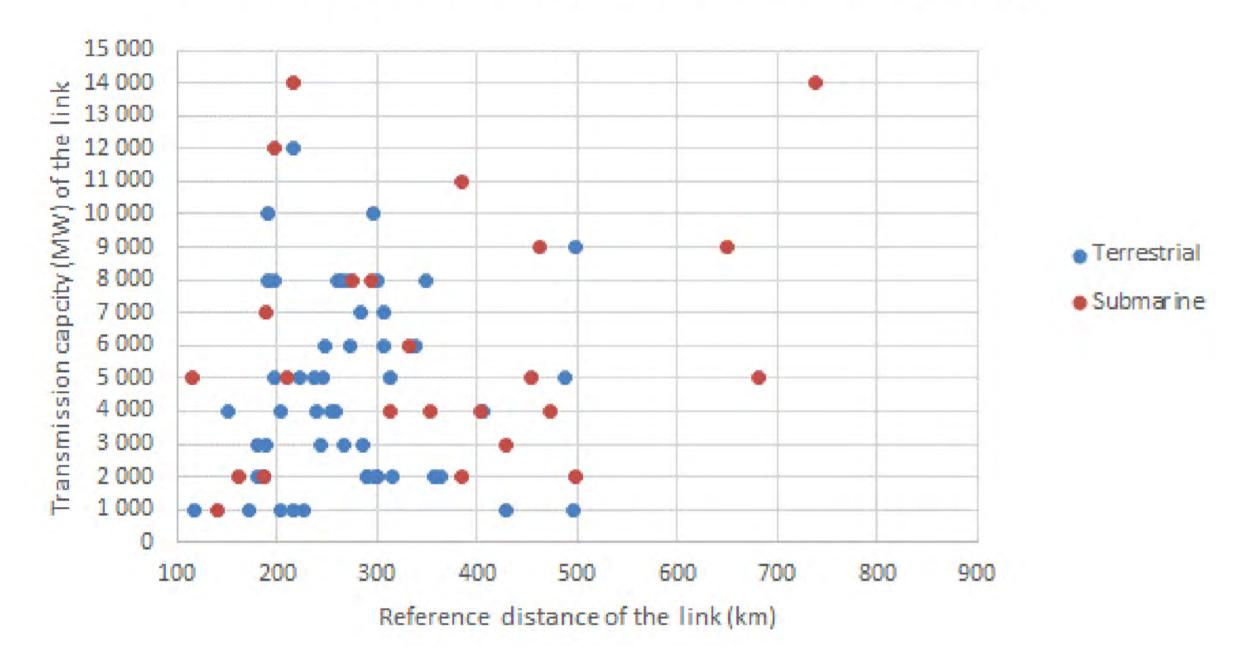






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Distribution of the 50 terrestrial and 25 submarine links in transmission capacity (MW) X distance (km) for the scenario: '100% RES (X7)'



### Will transmission investments pay off?

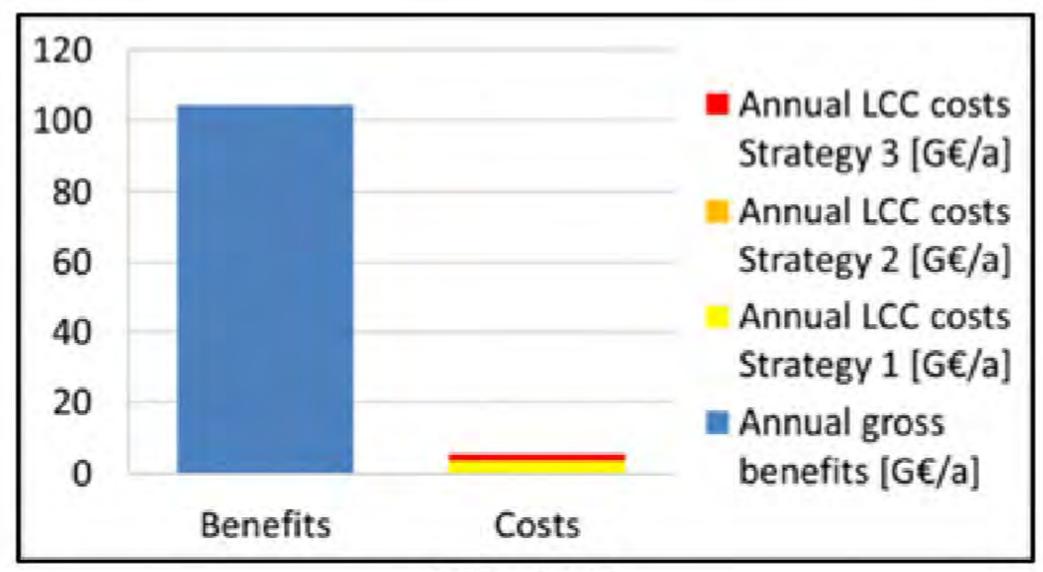








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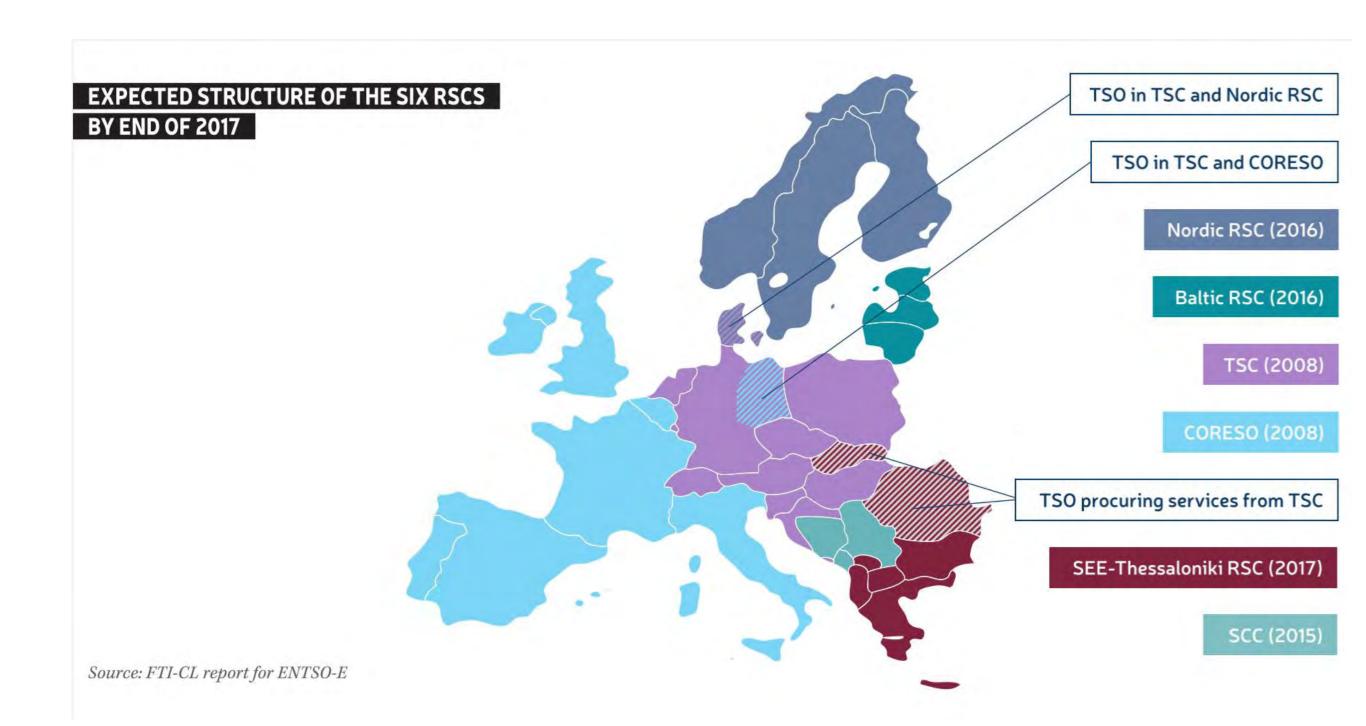


X-7 - 2040

# **ENTSO-E, Ten Year Plan Observations**

- Involves the entire continent
- High number of off-shore cables
- Both onshore and offshore HVDC transmission systems
- All HVDC Systems based on VSC Technology

# Market / Price challenge Market integration, starting with regions



# Lessons learned

- Grid investments is generally a very cost efficient way to improve the electricity system.
- Multiple benefits from interconnectors
- A common system for economical evaluation of projects is essential.
- Value of interconnections is higher the more renewable production is introduced.
- Be aware of technological development, new solutions gives more options.



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