

# SAVR

## Automatic Secondary Regulation of Voltage and Usage of Reactive Power

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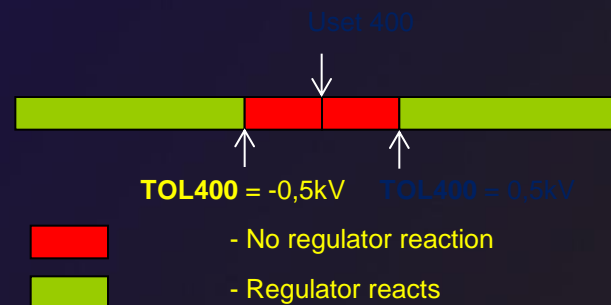
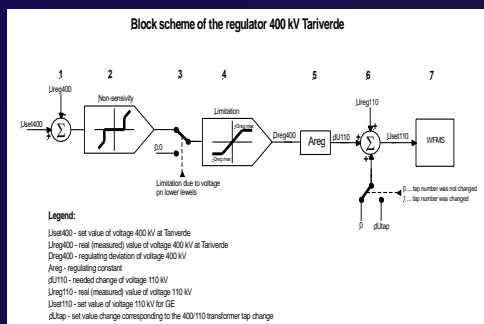
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Within the scope of company's activities in the field of **System and Ancillary Services** in the Power Sector there is a dominant know-how and technical ability in the field of **Renewable Energy Sources – RES**. This covers the development and application of methodologies and algorithms, SW and HW systems and technical tools for the regulation of the power network parameters - **voltage and reactive power of the systems** - at all nominal voltage levels.

**Characteristic products:**

- **SAVR** - Automatic System of Voltage and Reactive Power Control
- **ARN** - Automatic Voltage Controller
- **SRU** - Group Voltage Controller
- Dynamic models of Transients in Power Networks
- Verification model for sensitivity analyses
- Analyses and Dynamic Models of "Island"



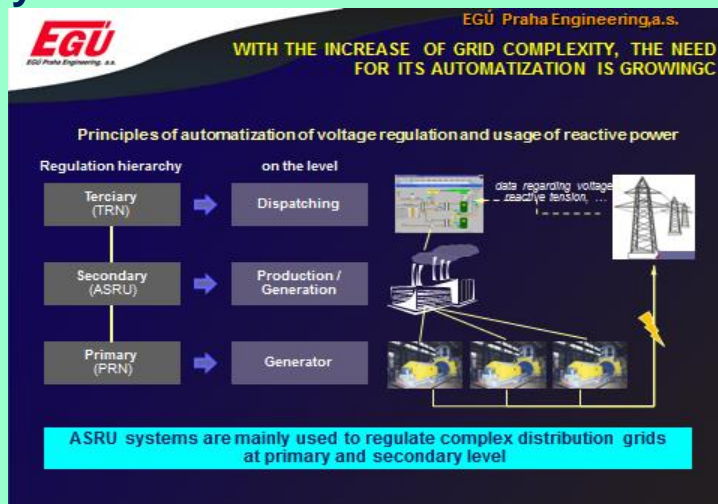
## REGULATION OF VOLTAGE AND REACTIVE POWER

### Automatic voltage regulation and reactive power system SAVR

The SAVR system is a set of hardware and software tools that make it possible to achieve the desired benefits in the controlled power system. The regulatory activity itself can be provided by means of these following devices (called **action members**):

- Generators of all types of power plants
- Compensation devices - static and rotary compensators, power reactors
- Transformers

It can be generally said the systems of U and Q control are mainly designed in a three-level hierarchy



## **REGULATION OF VOLTAGE AND REACTIVE POWER**

### **WHY AN AUTOMATIC SYSTEM OF U AND Q REGULATION – SEE THE ACCENT ON THE EXPECTED BENEFITS OF U AND Q CONTROL**

- ❖ Increased safety of the operation of the regulated power system
- ❖ Increasing the efficiency of operation of the regulated power system  
/reducing technical losses/
- ❖ Improving the quality of electricity supply to the end customer
- ❖ Compliance with the tolerance values of reactive power flow agreed with the neighboring power system
- ❖ Elimination of the negative reverse effect of the wind and photovoltaic power plants on the regulated power system
- ❖ Elimination of the reverse effect of industrial wholesale customers on the regulated power system
- ❖ Reduction of the claims on the dispatcher of the regulated power system
- ❖ Elimination of reactive power dragging of the electrically close generators

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## Regulation of voltage and reactive power

### Project for the ČEZ Distribution a. s.

First step: Evaluation of variants of possible ways of regulation:

regulation U

regulation Q

regulation  $\cos \phi$

Selected Variant :

**REGULATION U**

/ \*\* The  $\cos \phi$  control can cause a problem with network stability. Voltage and reactive power are affected by active power (Overvoltage occurrence in the system). \*\* Regulation Q does not help the system and regardless of system requirements, Q is constant /

**Regulation of U** - Coordinated cooperation of generators and transformers. Properly adjusting the tap position of the superior transformer results in reduction of overflows Q, while maintaining the operating point of the generator in the middle of the P Q diagram. There is therefore a regulatory reserve in the generator excitation system being used by the **SAVR**.

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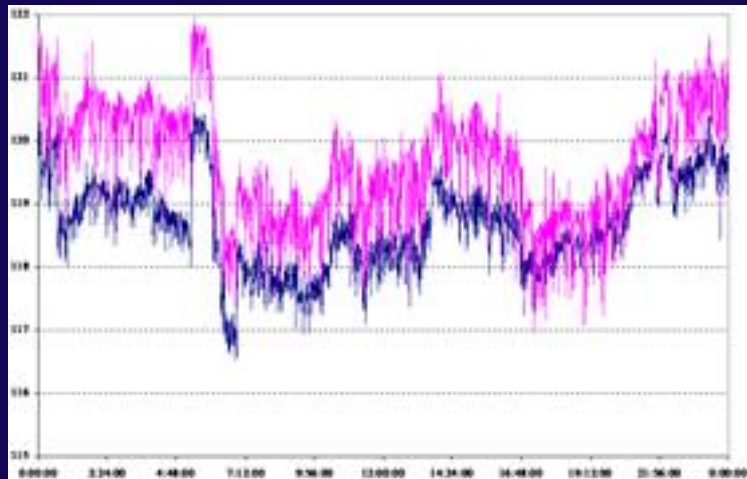
**Regulation of voltage and reactive power**

**Project for the ČEZ Distribution a. s.**

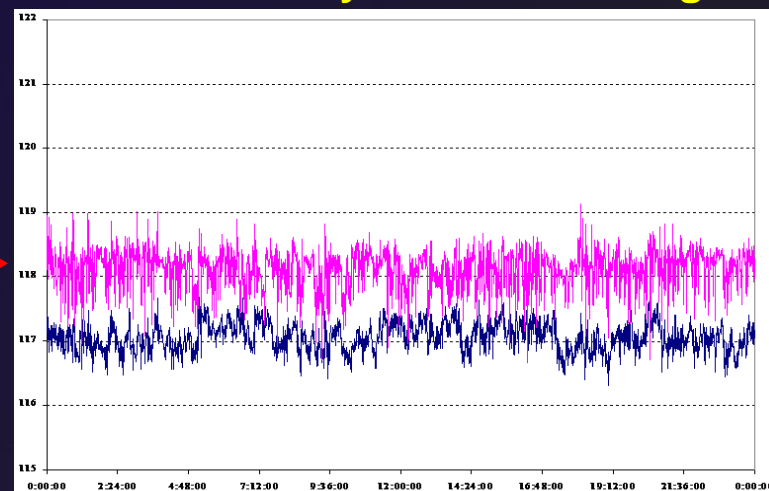
- Project beginning in the year 2000 - nowadays still under continuation
- 3 areas:
  - ČEZ Střed (Central),
  - ČEZ Sever (North),
  - ČEZ Morava
- Power plants, industrial companies, renewable resources

# Voltage regulation example

**Unregulated power system of 110 kV:  
Record of the day course of voltage**



**Regulated power system of 110 kV:  
Record of the day course of voltage**



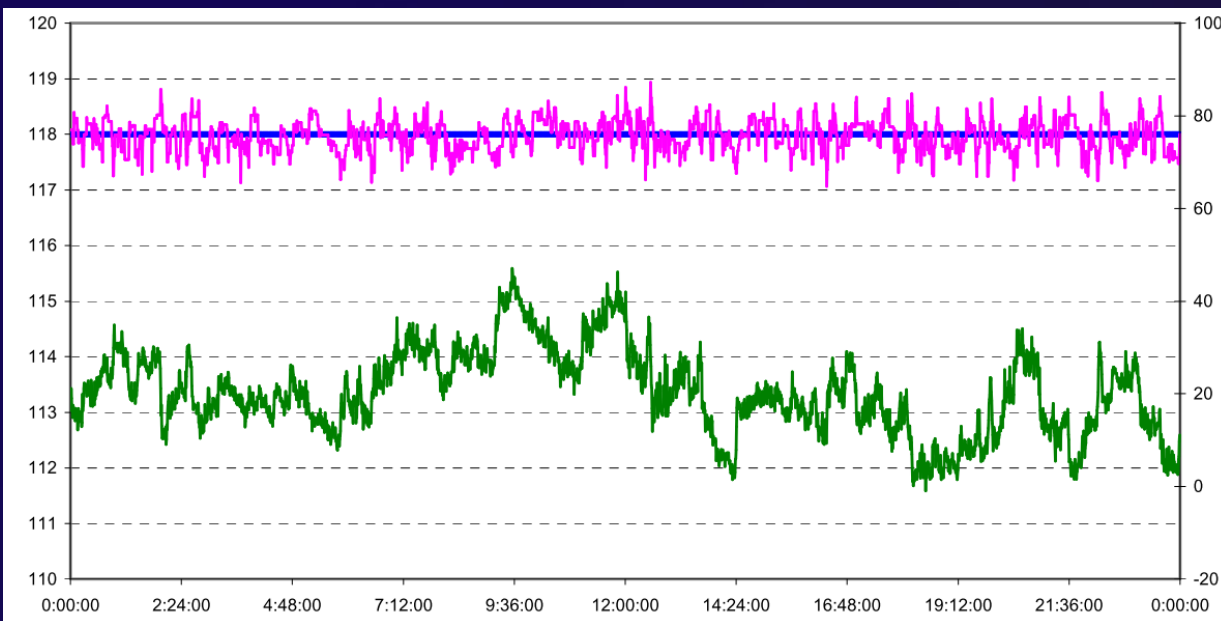
Regulatory process

# Voltage regulation

**Automatic  
maintenance  
of voltage**

Active proposing the Q changes in order to keep the voltage within the required limits.

**Record of the day course of voltage and reactive power**



Set value

Regulated value

Reactive power

**Voltage and reactive power in the system have a local character. Voltage in the individual points of the system may be different.**



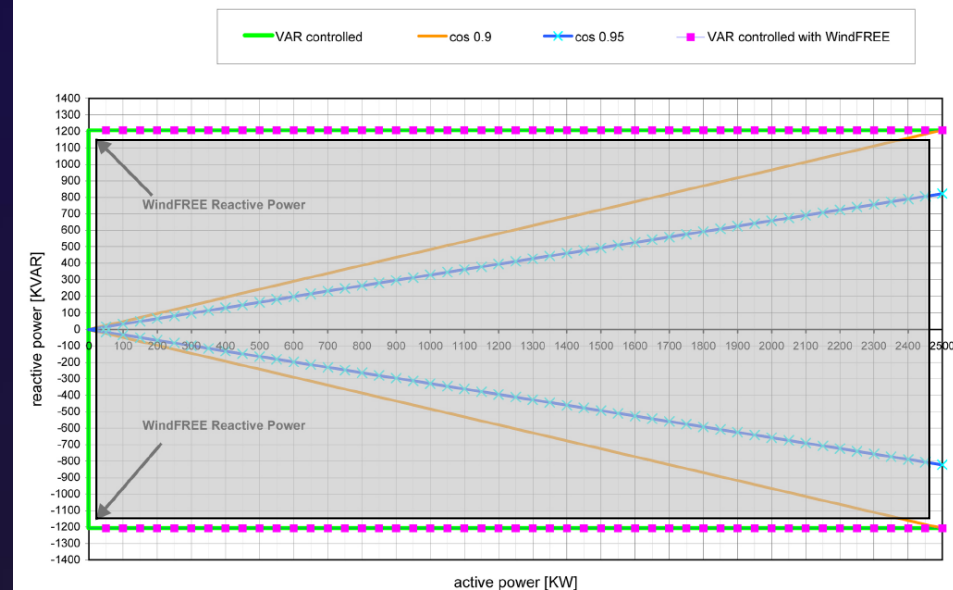
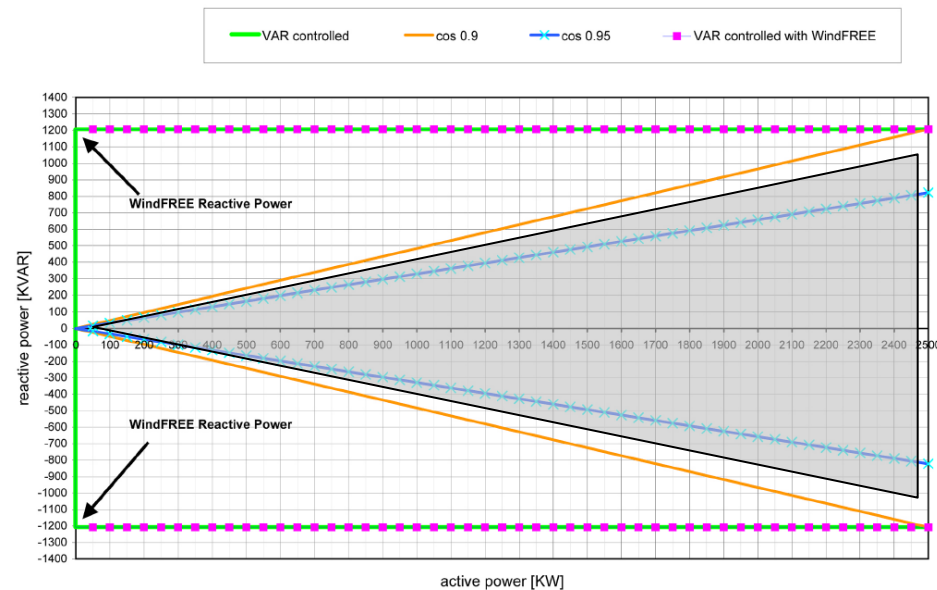
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**When controlling the voltage  
the  $\cos \Phi$  is not necessary to be kept**

**Regulation Range Enlargement for Voltage 400 kV**

**$\cos \Phi$**

**VAR controlled**

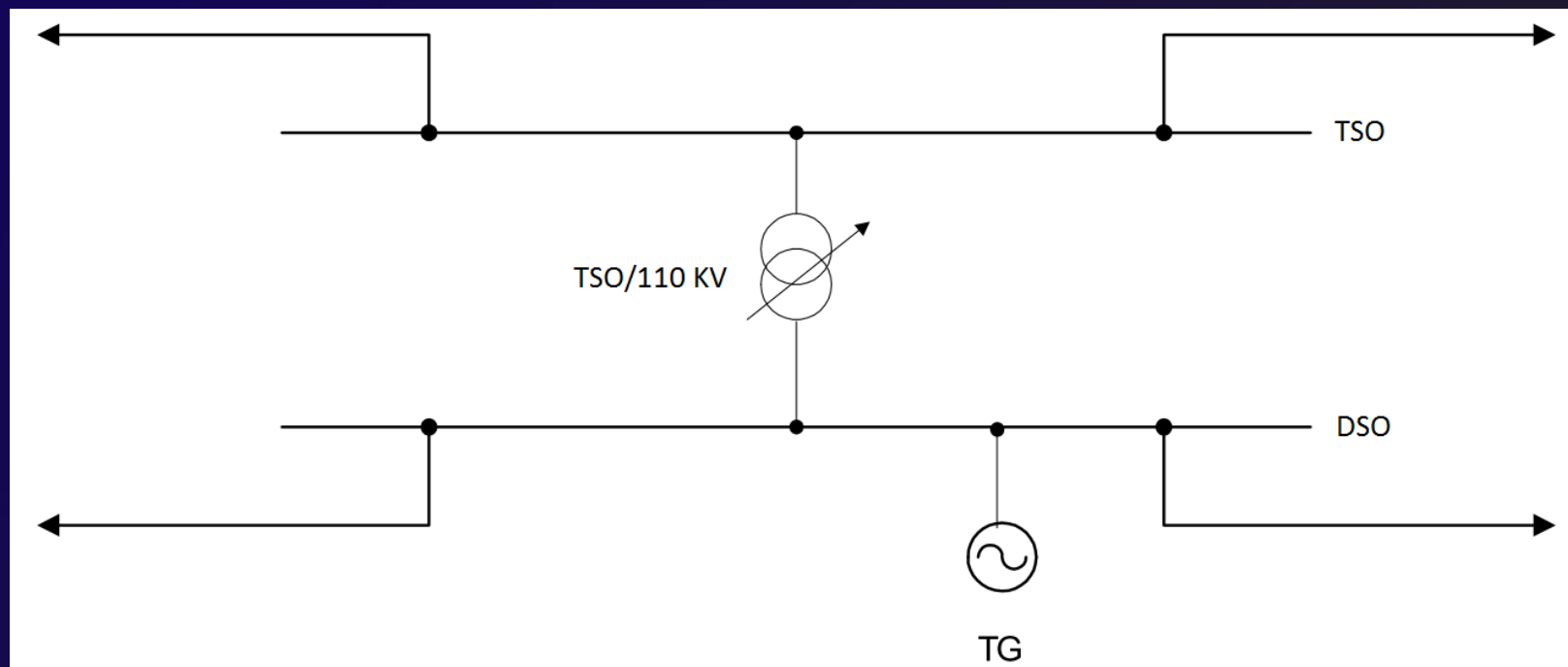


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Reduction of number of switches

Decrease of number of tap changes on TS/110 kV and 110 kV/VN transformers (this saves transformers - lifetime extension, and eliminates large sudden voltage variations)

Number of regulatory steps on the transformers is with SAVR reduced. The transformer may no longer regulate the fluctuation of 110 kV voltage, but only its own voltage changes.



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## Principles of automatization of voltage regulation and usage of reactive power

### Regulation hierarchy

**Tertiary  
(TRV)**



### on the level

**Dispatching**

**Secondary  
(SAVR)**

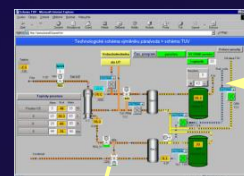


**Production /  
Generation**

**Primary  
(AVR)**



**Generator**

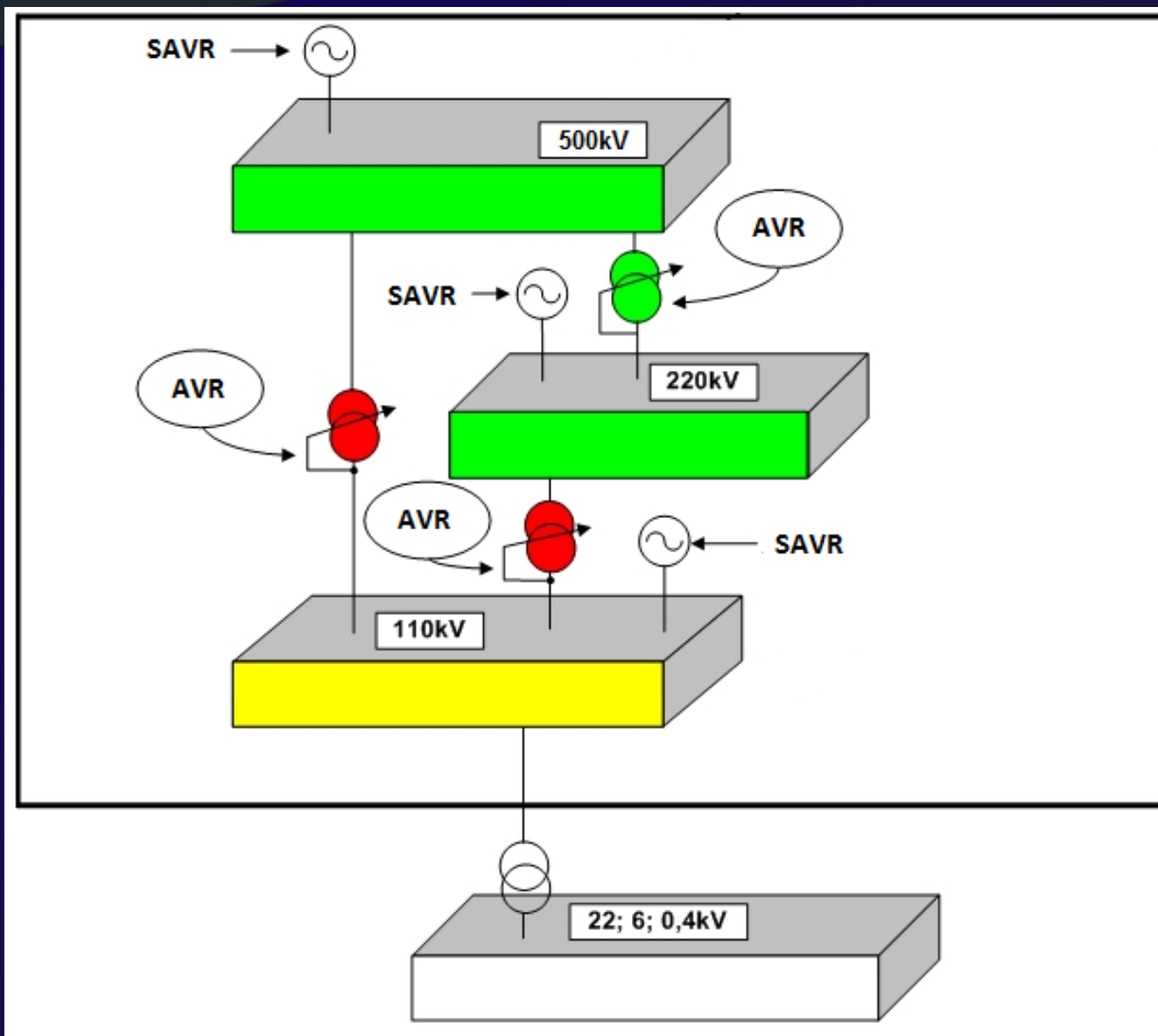


data regarding voltage  
- reactive tension, ...



**SAVR systems are mainly used to regulate complex distribution grids at primary and secondary level**

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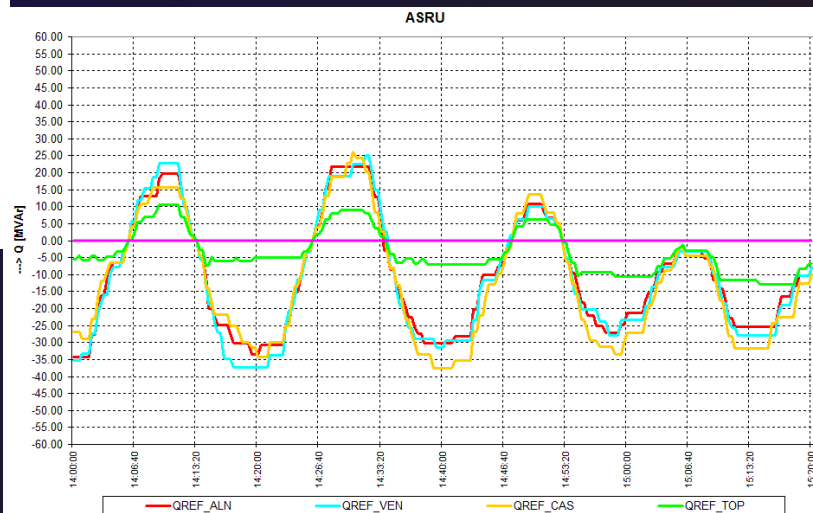
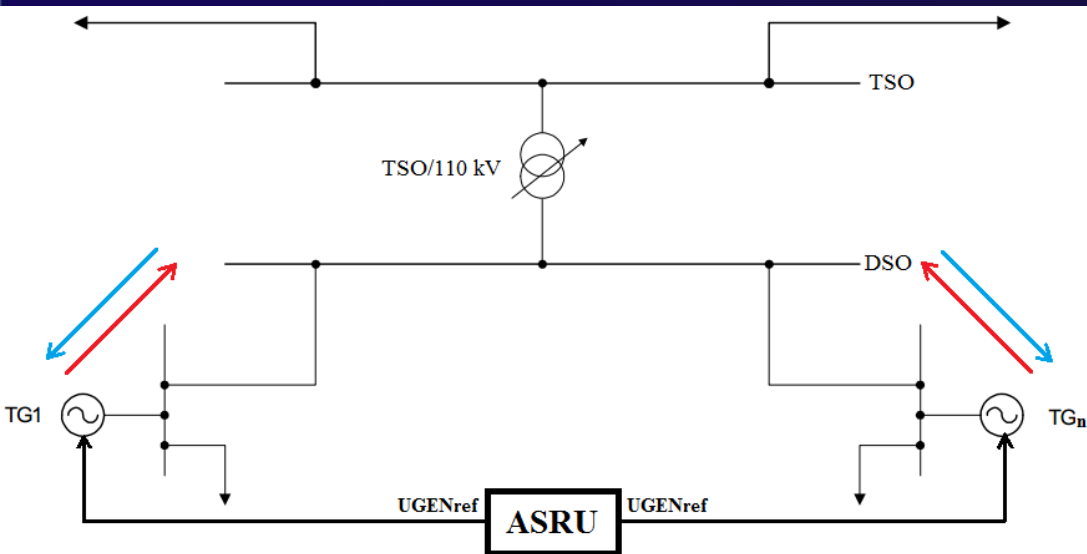


# THE AUTOMATIC SECONDARY REGULATION OF VOLTAGE WILL, HOWEVER, BRING MAINLY THE TECHNICAL BENEFITS

## Overview of additional benefits from implementation of SAVR

Elimination of overflows of reactive power

**SAVR eliminates the overflows of reactive power**



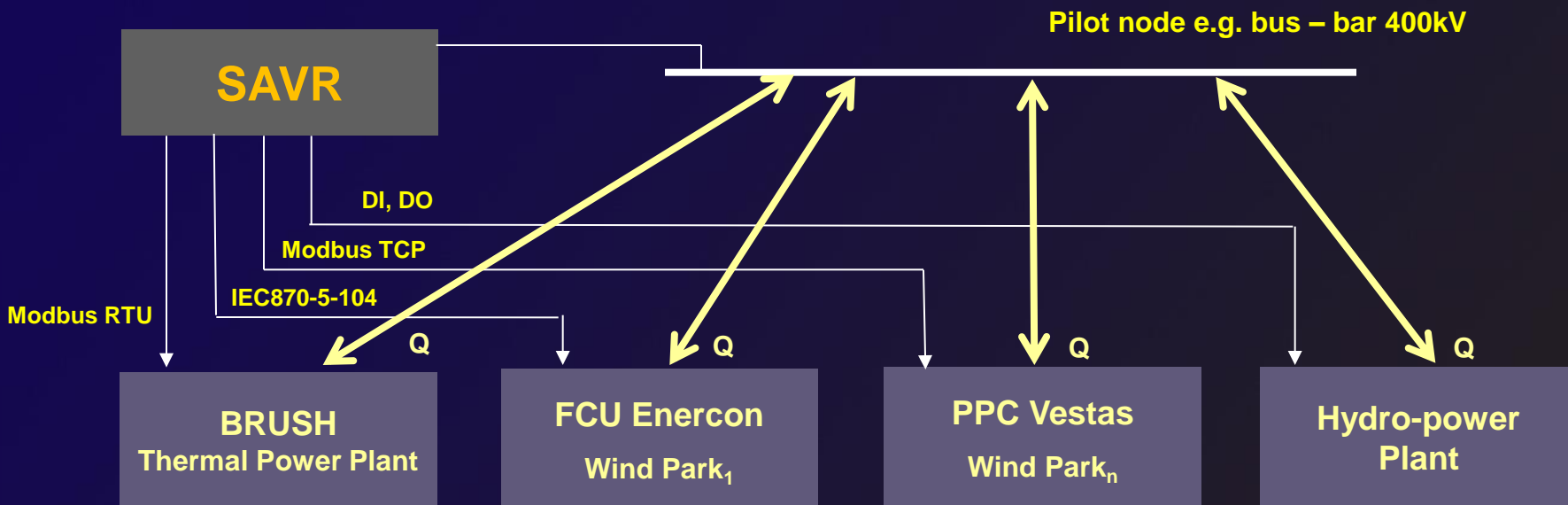
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This is why: **SAVR** - Automatic Secondary Regulation of Voltage and Reactive Power

Voltage is being influenced by all the generators, transformers and reactors connected to the pilot node. **SAVR capability** makes it possible in the pilot node to connect different primary systems (different manufacturers, different technologies, different way of connection to the primary system).

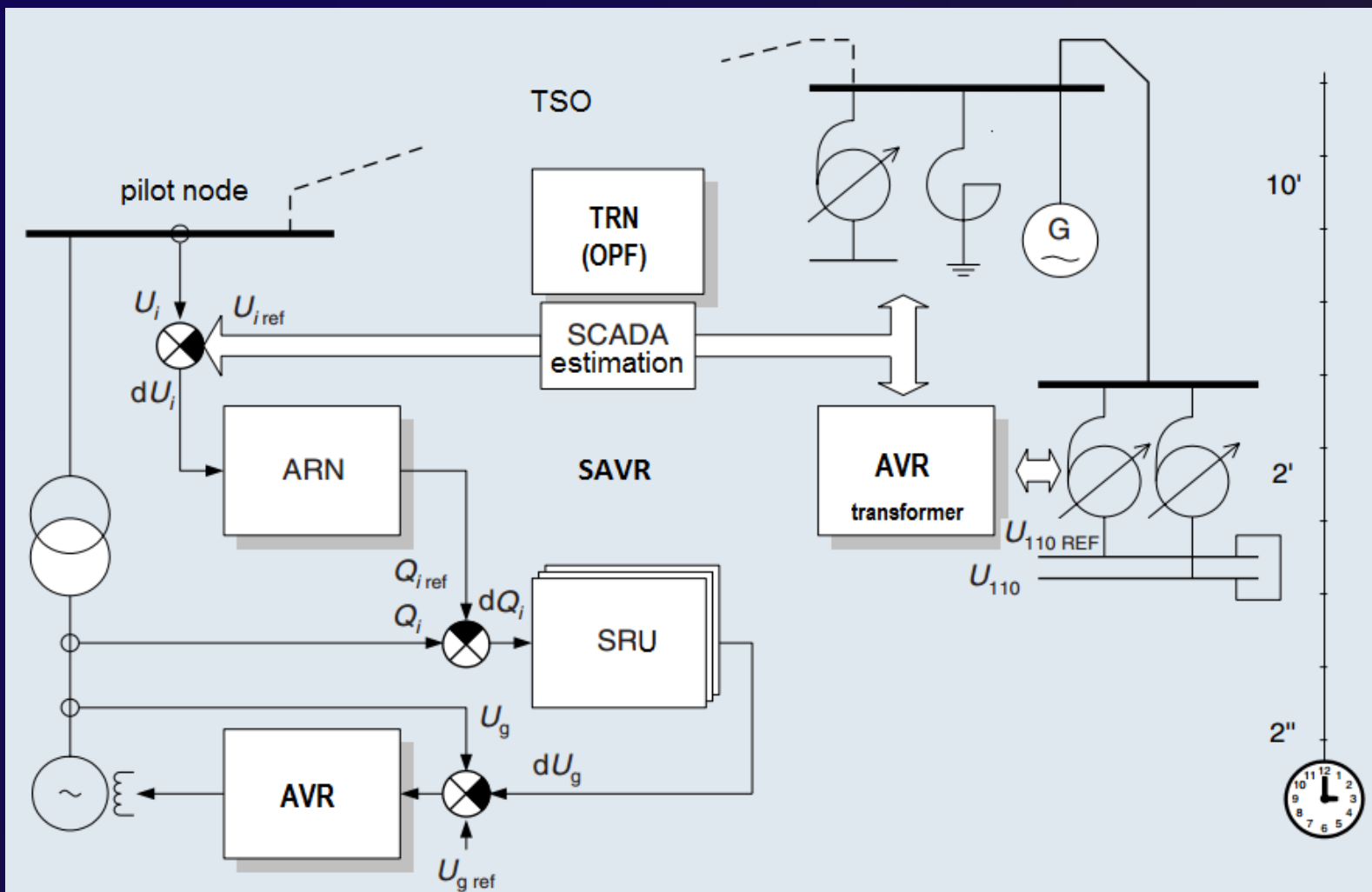
**! WARNING:** The sources being outside of the SAVR can even act against the SAVR !

Integration of different primary systems



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**Principles of automation of voltage and reactive power regulation**



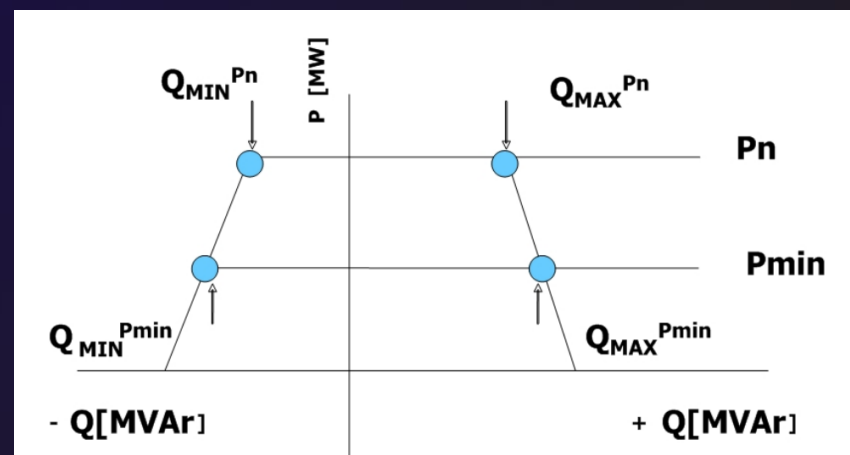
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## CERTIFICATION

- Test the limits at Pmin  
Umin and Umax

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Umin and Umax

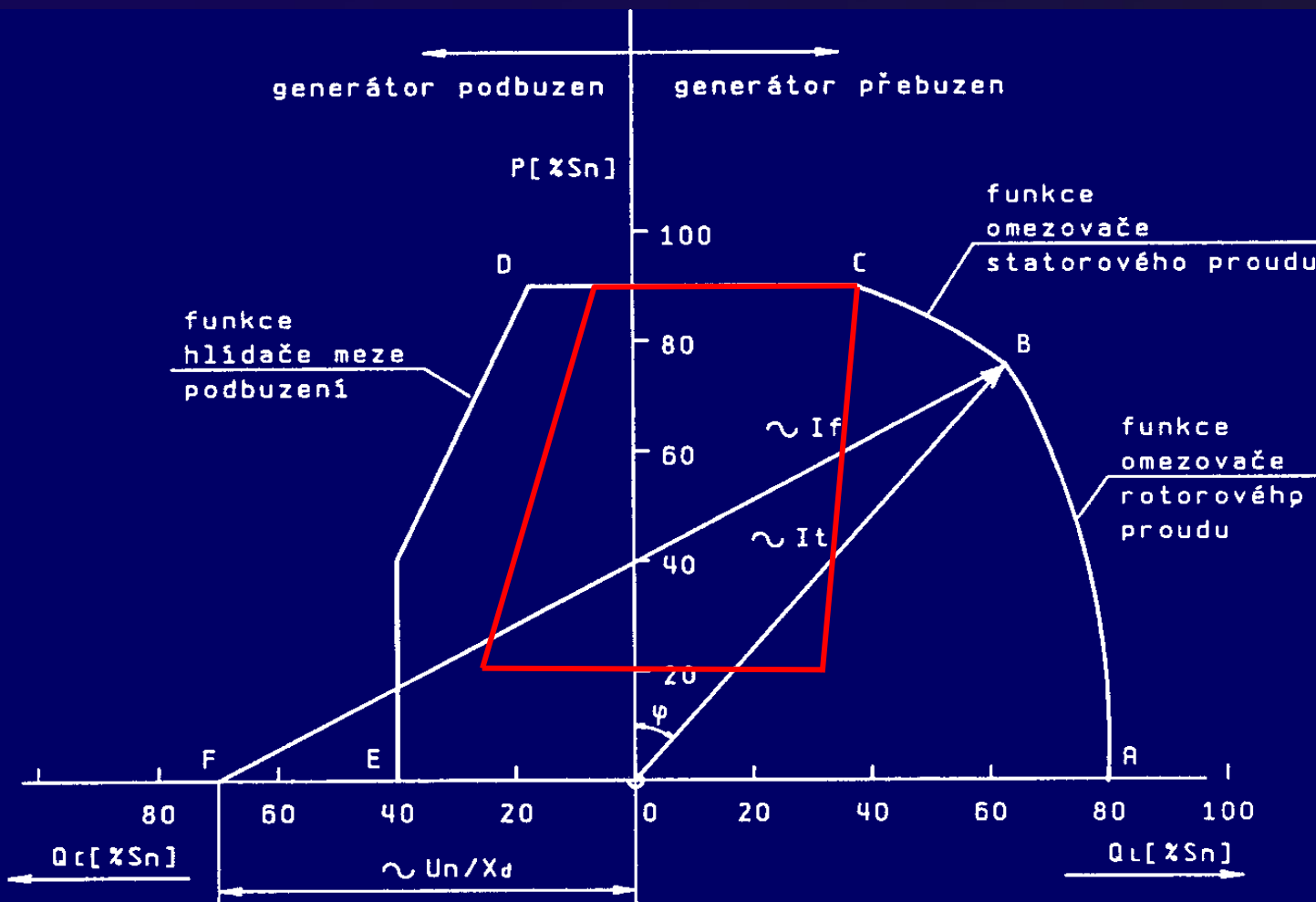
Reachable PQ diagram





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**After the certification**



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## The conceptual solutions

1.

**ARN** - substation or dispatch center  
**SRU** - Power plant

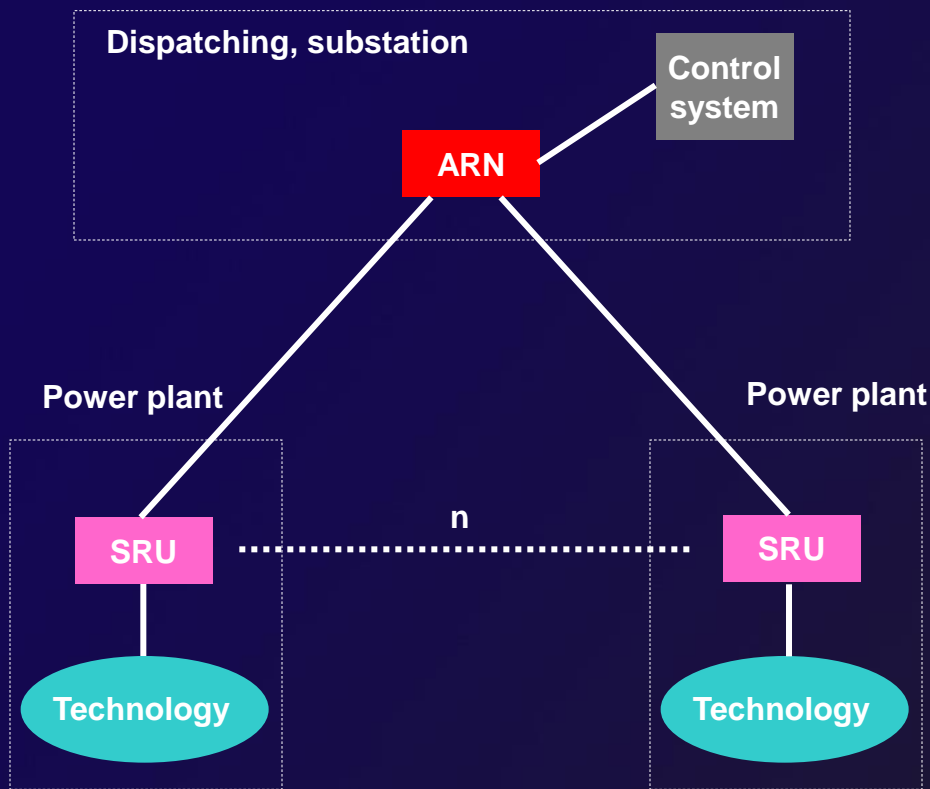
2.

**ARN and SRU** – substation or Power plant

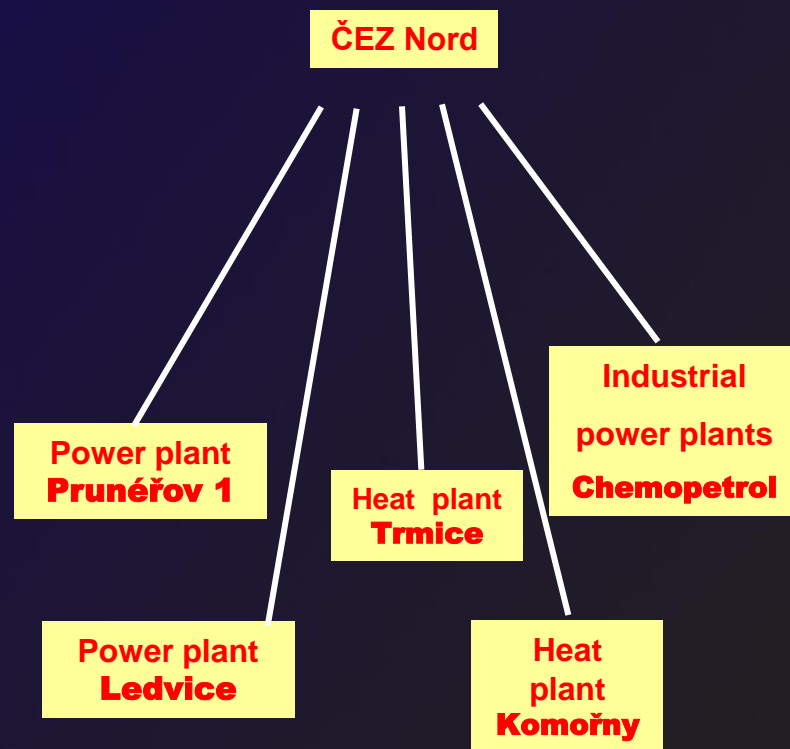
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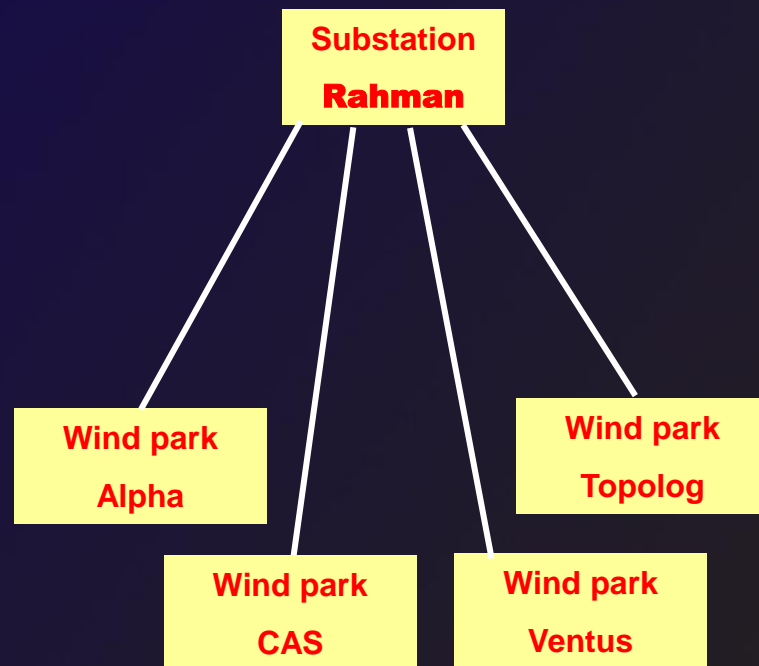
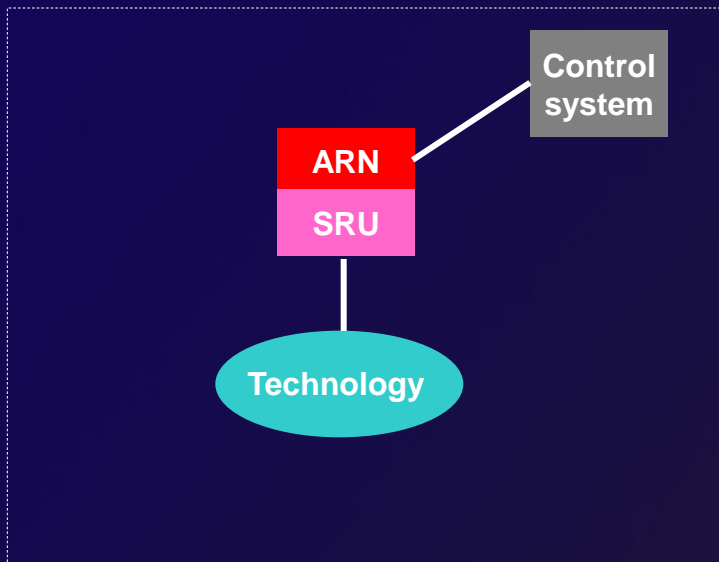


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### ARN and SRU – substation or Power plant

Substation, power plant



# REALIZATION OF SINGLE REGULATED PRODUCTION SITES SHOULD BE JUST A QUESTION OF MONTHS

## Key technical steps of implementation:

1.	<b>Initial project</b>	<b>SAVR supplier</b>	Developing (for each generator) the initial project providing compatibility of technical devices: dispatching <=> generation
2.	<b>Regulator's connecting project</b>	<b>Local designer</b>	Developing the project for connecting regulator to the technology of generation
3.	<b>Regulator's technology delivery</b>	<b>SAVR supplier</b>	Supply of regulating technical and programming devices
4.	<b>Regulator's connection</b>	<b>Assembler or Operator</b>	Connecting the regulator to the generator's technology
5.	<b>Regulator's testing</b>	<b>SAVR supplier</b>	Assembly verification , carrying out the pre-complex and complex tests and training the staff
6.	<b>Service</b>	<b>SAVR supplier + Operator</b>	Set prerequisites and process of prophylactic and irregular maintenance

Realization takes 6 - 12 months, depending on technical conditions and operational potential (shut downs etc.) of the power plants

# Important realization of SAVR

## TSO

### System power plants

First system SAVR in the Czech Republic was designed and installed by the **EGU Praha Engineering, a. s.**

**SAVR  
Hradec u Kadaně**

### RES

First system SAVR in the Romania was designed and installed by the **EGU Praha Engineering, a. s.**

**SAVR Tariverde**

# Important realization of SAVR

## DSO

**Fossil power plants**

**R E S**

**Industrial areas**

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**SAVR**  
**ČEZ Morava**

**SAVR**  
**Horní Životice**

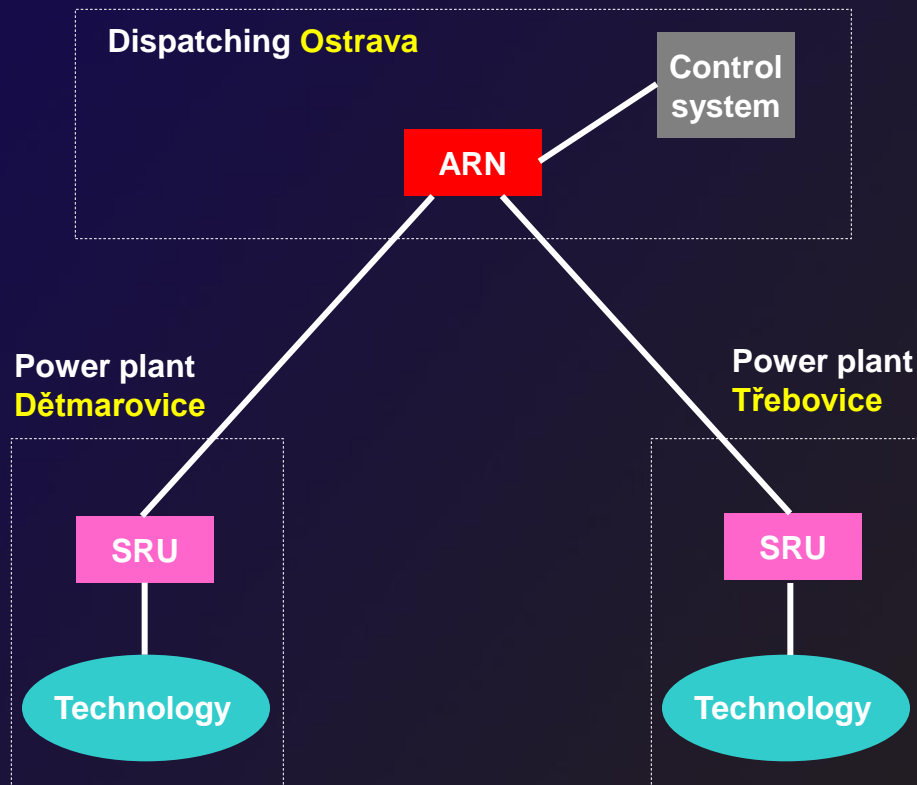
**SAVR**  
**ArcelorMittal**

## Realization of SAVR Ostrava

/Commissioning : Year 2002/

**ARN** – dispatch center  
Ostrava

**SRU** - Power plant  
Třebovice  
Dětmarovice





**Control system  
Mikrodispečink**

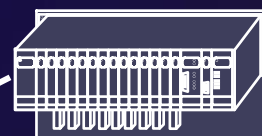
**Tertiary  
regulation**

**Diagnostics  
and archiving**

**ARN**

**Communication line  
Dispatch ↔ Power plants**

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DSO

Power plants

PCM

PCM

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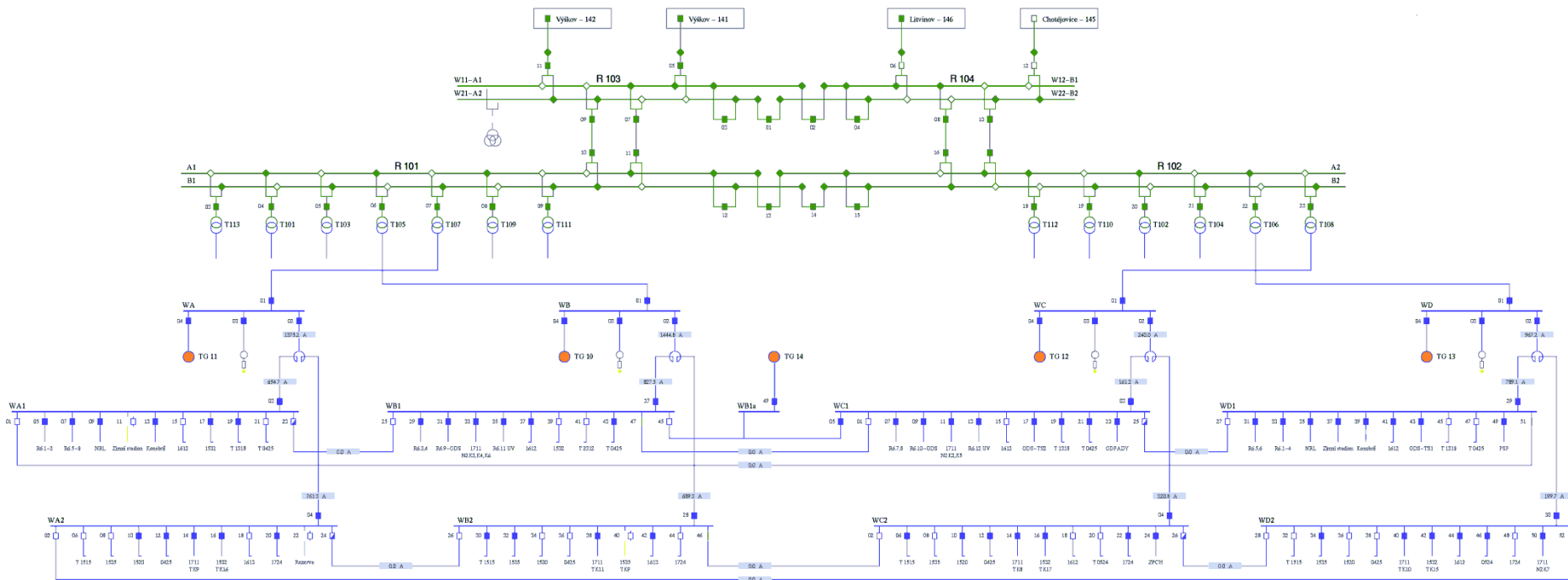
## Realization of secondary voltage control in the industrial enterprises

**SAVR Unipetrol**

**SAVR ArcelorMittal**

**Benefit:** The power operators and producers are no longer penalized for not keeping the power factor and for Q overflows

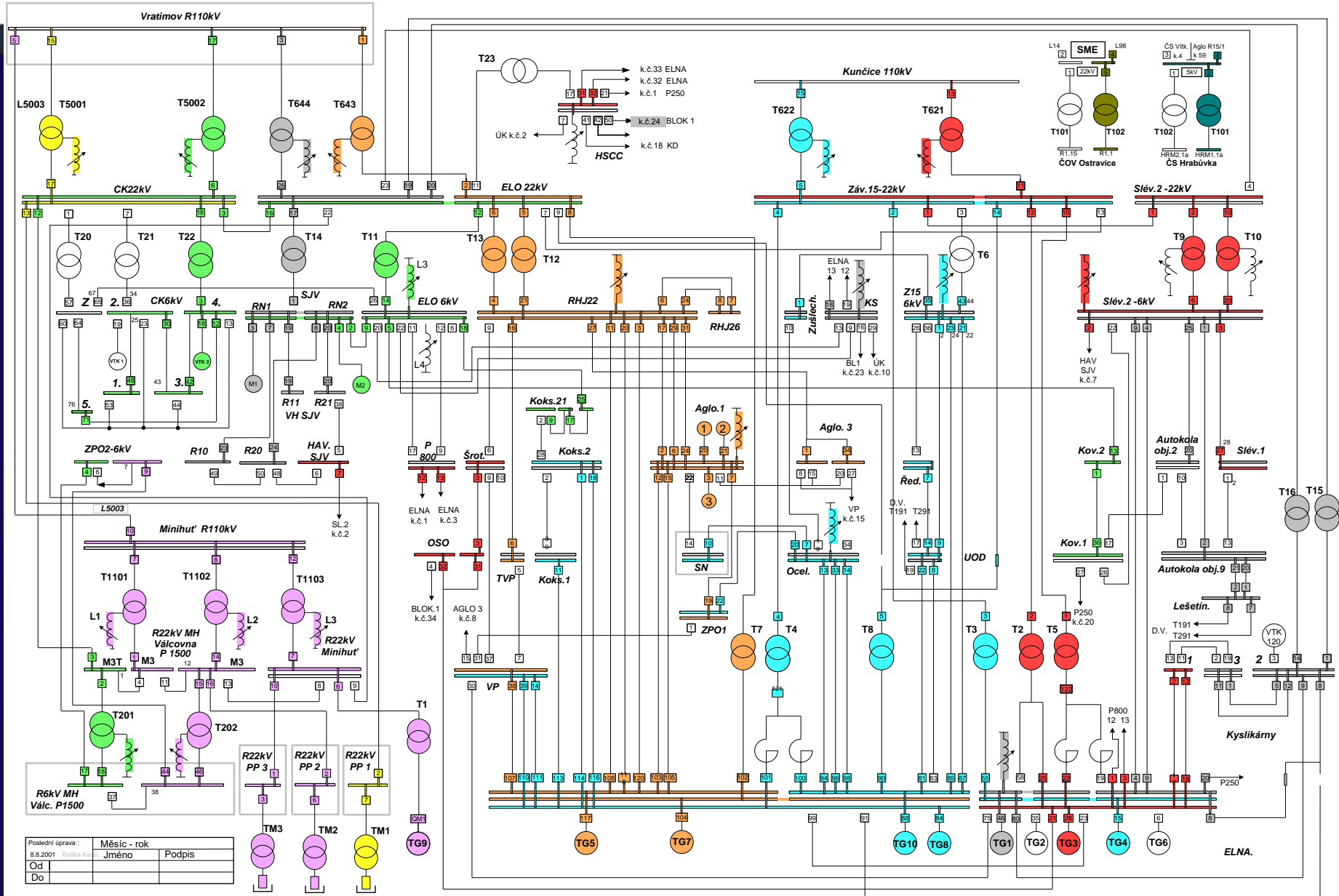
**They support and help the power system of 110 kV**



- Industrial enterprise - production of chemicals (including petrol and diesel)
- Control of the generators TG10, TG11, TG12, TG13 and TG14 (red in the diagram)
- Generators are connected to the network 6 kV
- Voltage of 110 kV control

- **Industrial enterprise - iron processing**
- **Control of the generators TG1-TG8, TG10**
- **Control of the transformers (number: 28)**
- **Checking the voltage at 53 substations**
- **Generators are connected to the network 6 kV**
- **Voltage of 22 kV control**

## PŘENOSY A ŘAZENÍ NH



Poslední oprava :	Měsíc - rok
8.8.2001	Řábeka Kříž
Od	Jméno
Do	Podpis

Dispatch ČEZ

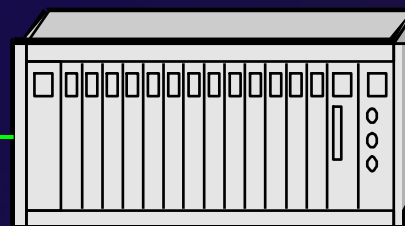


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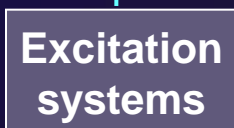
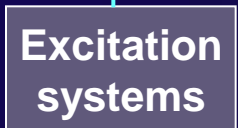


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SCADA



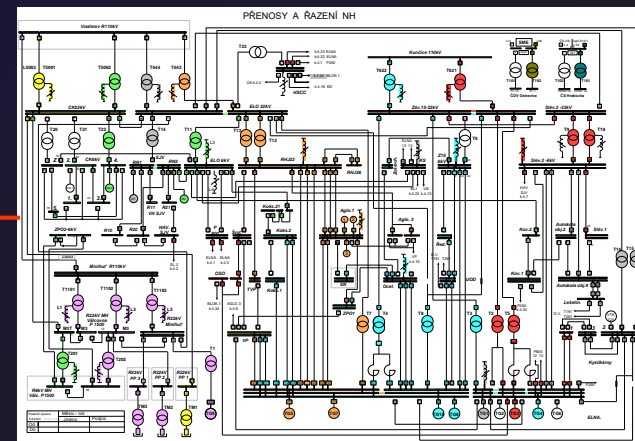
Signalization  
and measuring



TG1



TG10



**Realization of secondary regulation of 22 kV  
voltage**

**SAVR Kopřivná**

**(First controlled small wind source  
in the 22 kV network in the Czech Republic)**

**2 x WTGs Enercon (2.3 MW)**

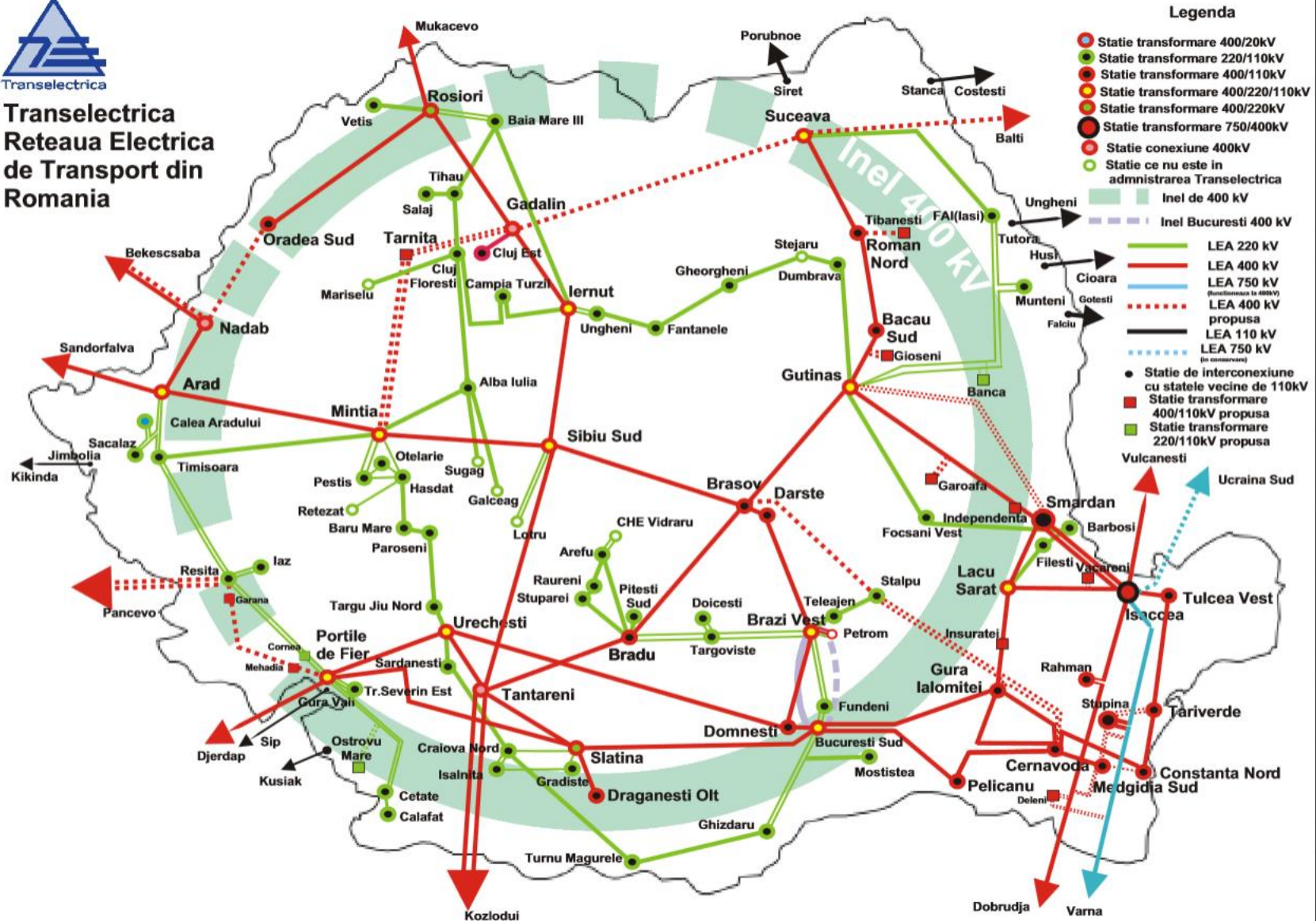
## SAVR Kopřivná... 22 kV







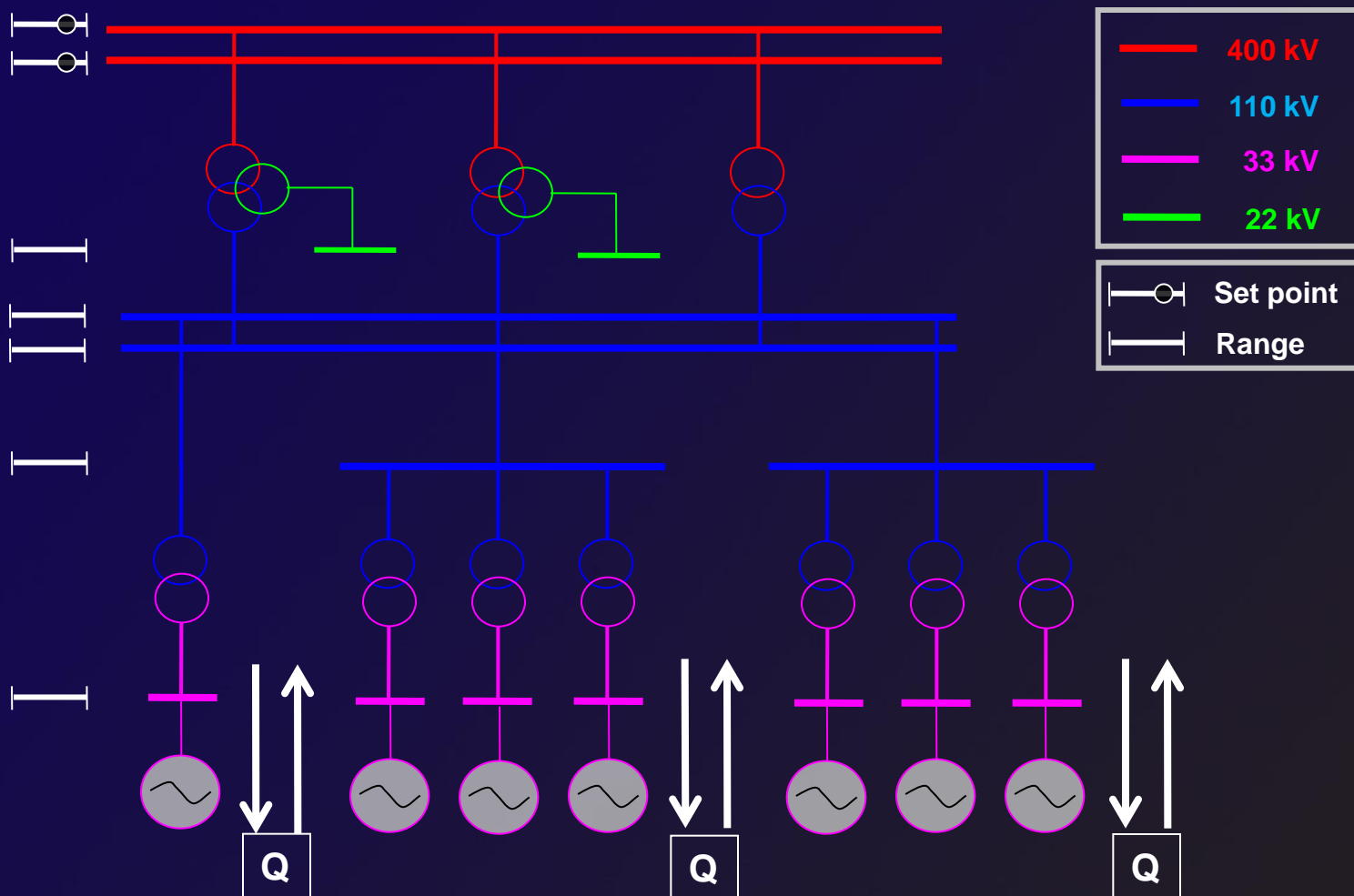
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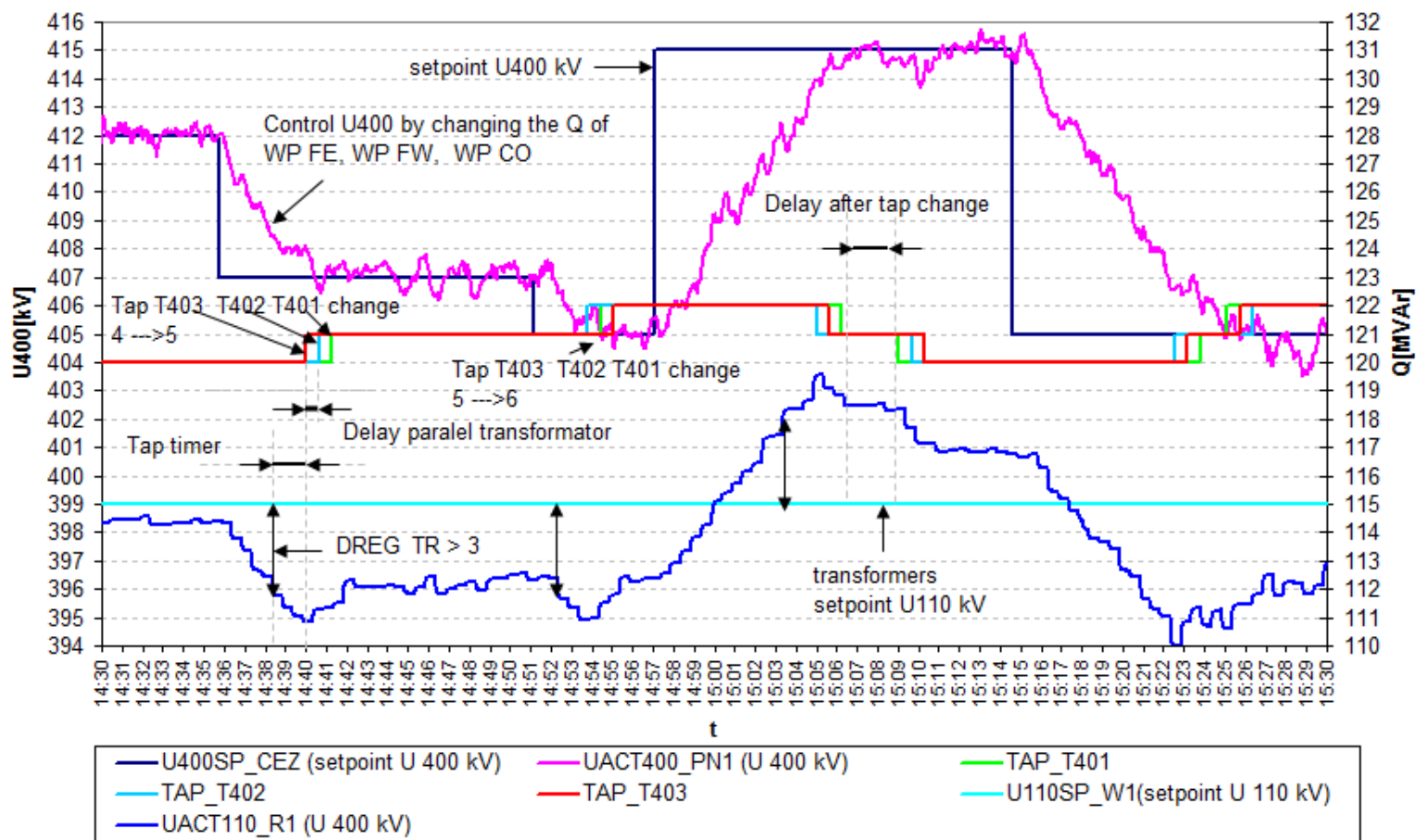
# SAVR Tariverde

The Action Quantity for Control of Voltage 400 kV is the Reactive Power

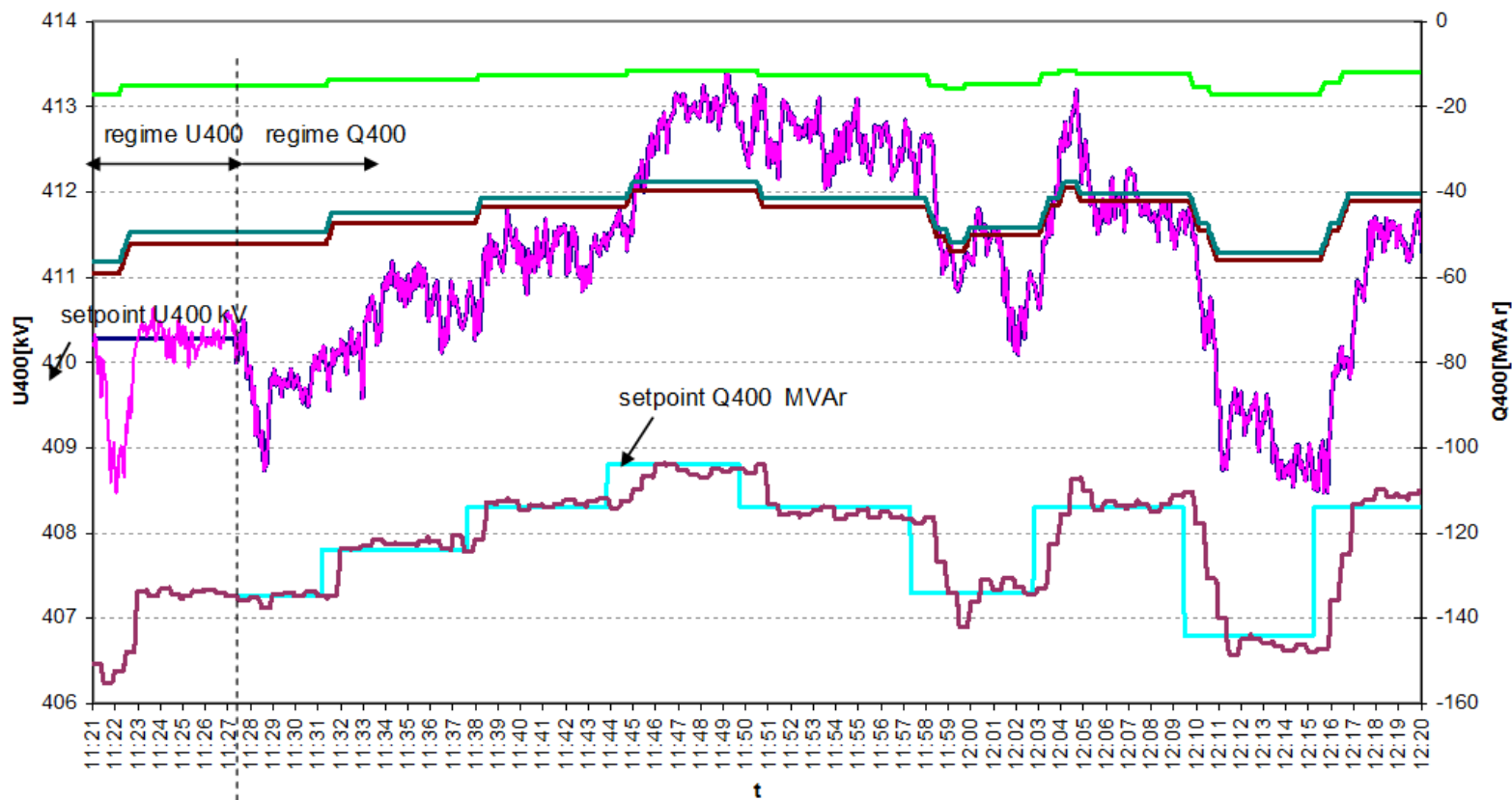


- **Control of voltage 400 kV, Control of active power**
- **New: Control of reactive power on 400 kV**
- **New: Priority Control - Authority allocation  
(Local Dispatching center vs TSO Dispatching center)**

**Test 35 : Test of the automatic voltage regulation at the pilot node 400 kV - changes of setpoint with WP Cogevalac , WP Fantanelle West, WP Fantanelle East (with the automatic regulation of transformers 400/110 kV)**  
27.5.2013



**Test 9: Tests of automatic reactive power regulation at the 400 kV pilot node with automatic regulation of transformers 400/110 kV**  
28.5.2013



**Verbund**



DSO

TSO

Diagnostic workplace



Local

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SAS  
ABB

SAVR  
EGU

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RTU  
EGU

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MODBUS TCP

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400 kV

0,4 kV

0,4 kV

110 kV

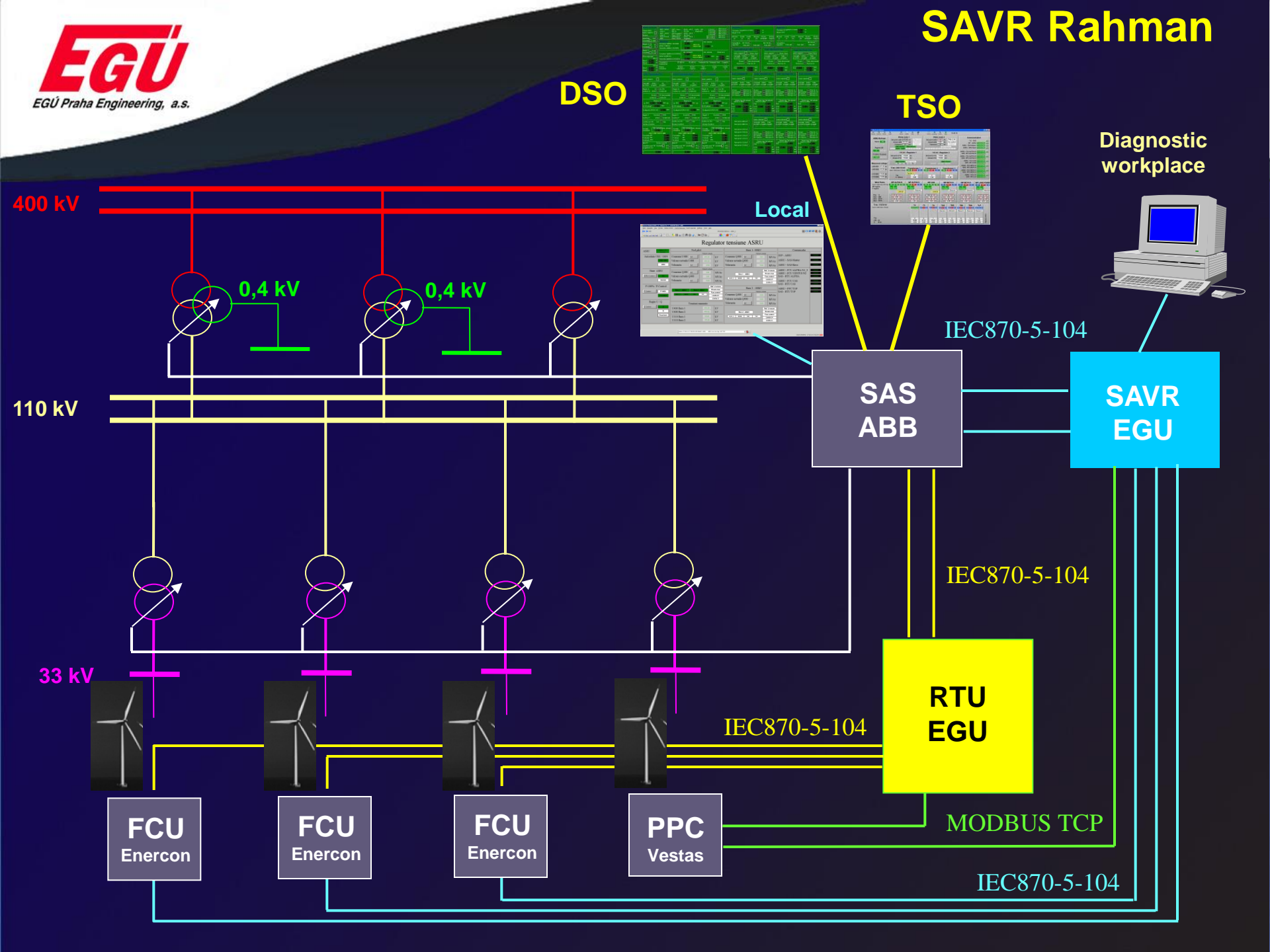
33 kV

FCU  
Enercon

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Enercon

FCU  
Enercon

PPC  
Vestas





Reference: **Classic Power Plants**  
Country: **CZECH REPUBLIC**

- **SAVR ČEZ Sever** - voltage control of 110 kV grid with:  
Power plants: **Prunéřov 1, Ledvice, Trmice, Unipetrol and Komorany**
- **SAVR ČEZ Morava** - voltage control of 110 kV grid with:  
Power plants: **Detmarovice, Trebovice, Arcelor Mittal Ostrava, Biocel Paskov, Horní Loděnice, Red Hill**
- **SAVR ČEZ Střed** - voltage control of 110 kV grid with:  
Power plants: **Mělník 1, Mělník 2, AGCZ, Plzeňská teplárenská**

➤ **SAVR Tariverde** - voltage control of 400 kV grid  
with:(660 MW ... installed capacity)

1. WP Fantanele East
2. WP Fantanele West
3. WP Cogevalac

Investor: **ČEZ Romania**

➤ **SAVR Rahman** - voltage control of 400 kV grid with:  
(325 MW ... installed capacity ... so far)

1. WP Alpha N1,2,3
2. WP Ventus
3. WP Cas
4. WP Topolog
5. ....

Investor: **VERBUND Austria**

# SAVR

## FEW COMMENTS:

- The need for regulation of U and Q is and will be obvious. The emerging development of electricity system decentralization is in this respect of particular and determining importance
- The implementation of the SAVR system itself is conditional on the technical level of the relevant part of the electrical system - availability of controllable action members, communication tools, profiles and processes atc.
- Next steps to developing the particular projects should and will be the reflection of developing trends in energy sector: decentralization ..., digitization ..., robotics ..., IoT applications ..., CS ..., island operations, including the virtual power plants, accumulation ...
- Important question is also the motivation of the energy producers i.e. not only legislative requirements (Grid Codes) but also a financial consideration (ancillary services ...)

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