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Flexibility for Resilience - How can flexibility support power grids resilience?

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Moderated by Natalie Samovich



Agenda

11.15– 11.20	Opening the session by the Moderator Natalie Samovich – ETIP SNET WG1 Chair
11.20 – 11.30	<i>Digitalising the energy system - EU action plan – implication on Flexibility -</i> Karsten Krause (Policy Officer DG ENEG Unit B5)
11.30 – 11.40	<i>Presentation of the joint ETIP SNET and ISGAN - White Paper Flexibility for Resilience</i> - Natalie Samovich – ETIP SNET WG1 Chair
11.40 – 11.50	BD4NRG project -Massimo Bertoncini - Director of R&I projects on Smart Energy
11.50 – 12.00	Edge-FLEX project - Antonello Monti - Director of the Institute for Automation of Complex Power Systems , RWTH Aachen University - Germany
12.10 – 12.30	Panel discussion
12.30	End of the session



Opening

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Digitalising the energy system - EU action plan – implication on Flexibility

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EU Action Plan for the Digitalisation of the Energy System

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Implications on Flexibility



Twin Energy and Digital Transition

European Green Deal

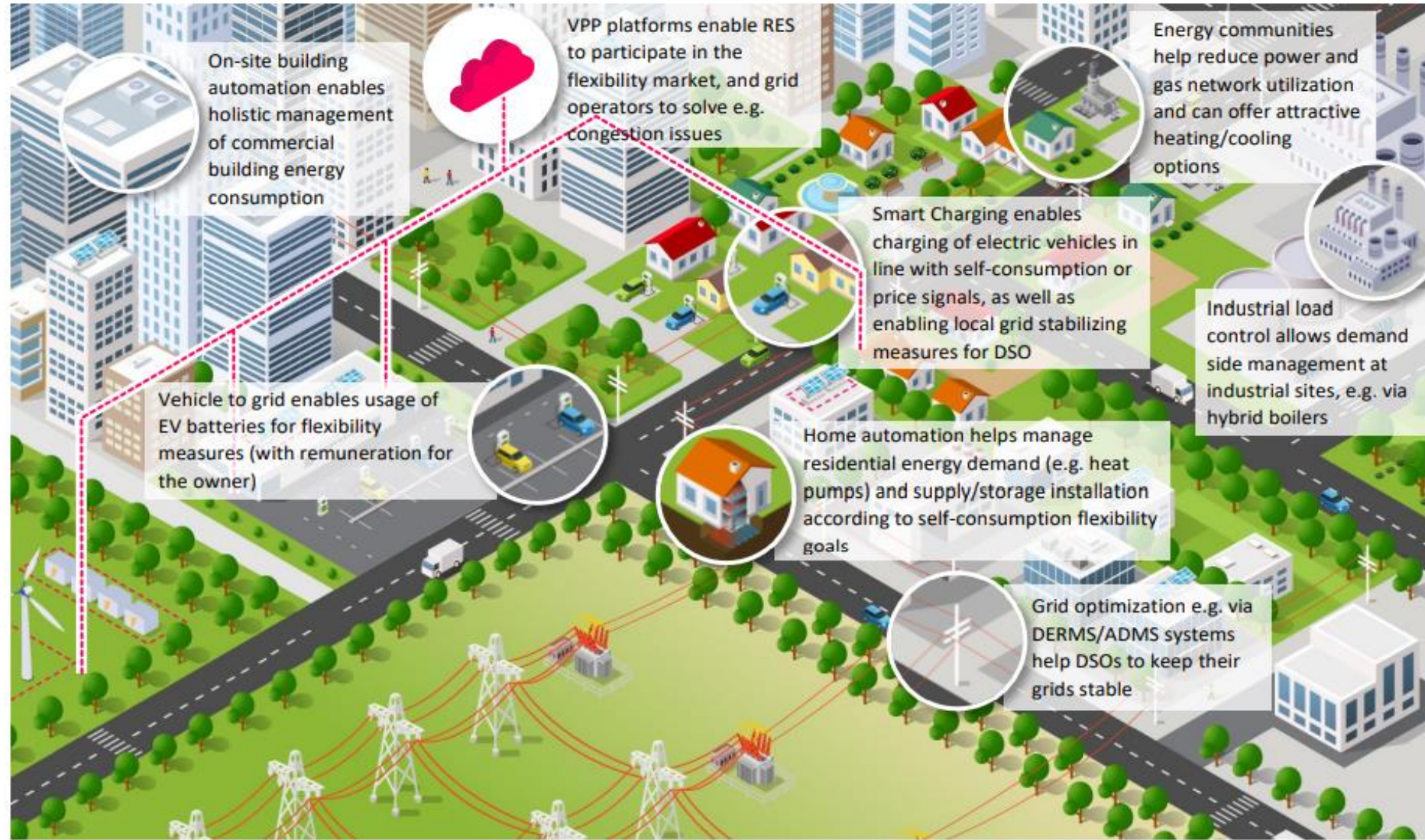
Europe fit for
the Digital Age

a better-functioning, smart, integrated and interconnected energy system, where new business models can easily emerge in a fast-changing market.



The value of flexibility

- Most renewable energy sources are of a variable nature. The availability of sun, wind, or water varies from seconds to seasons. This variability creates a potential mismatch between generation and demand.
- Balancing the energy system depends on adding flexibility, on both supply and demand sides. This flexibility ideally connects locally and system-wide, through an array of solutions.
- Such flexibility will be particularly important for short-term fluctuations, whereas it is unlikely to be an efficient or sufficiently scalable solution for seasonal fluctuations that require long-term energy storage.
- This ‘smartness’, in turn, will avoid additional capital expenditures for enhancing the existing grid infrastructure.



Main areas of the Digitalisation Action Plan





A European framework for sharing data to support innovative energy services



- Priority **high-level use cases**: (a) flexibility services, (b) smart charging of electric vehicles, and (c) buildings
- Developing a **Common European Energy Data Space** (interoperable framework of common standards and practices)
- Building on the energy and digital regulatory framework, including the Implementing Acts under preparation
- Creating an EU **Smart Energy Expert Group** with a 'Data for Energy' working group



Increasing investments in digital energy infrastructure

- Creating a **digital twin** of the electricity grid with ENTSO-E and EU DSO Entity
- Supporting National Regulatory Authorities and ACER in defining common **smart grid indicators and objectives**
- Urging Member States to accelerate the rollout of **smart meters** and revisit their costs-benefits analysis when necessary





Empowering citizens



- **Fitness Check of EU consumer law on digital fairness**
- **Strategies to engage consumers** in the design and use of digital tools
- A **common reference framework for an app** helping consumers reduce their energy use, especially during peak hours
- Tools, guidance and a first-of-a-kind platform that facilitate the use of digital solutions in **energy communities**
- Large-scale partnership on the digitalisation of the energy value chain as part of the **EU's Pact for Skills**



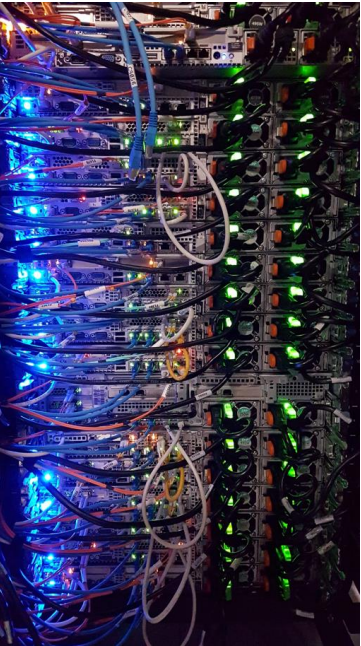
Ensuring cybersecurity

- Complement **cross-sector legislation**, such as the NIS 2 Directive, the Cyber-resilience Act, and the proposed Council Recommendation on critical infrastructure
- With a **network code for cybersecurity aspects of cross-border electricity flows**
- And later a **delegated act on the cybersecurity of gas and hydrogen networks**





Energy consumption of the ICT sector



- **Eco-design and labelling of products**
e.g. energy-label for computers
- Measures targeting **communication networks**
e.g. EU code of conduct for their sustainability
- Measures targeting **Data Centres**
e.g. environmental labelling scheme
- Measures targeting **crypto-assets**
e.g. energy-efficiency label for blockchains



An EU-wide coordinated approach



- Increasing investments in digital solutions in **National Energy and Climate Plans, Digital Decade roadmaps, and Recovery and Resilience Plans**
- **EU funding** to accelerate the **development and deployment** of innovative digital energy solutions
- Structured **high-level dialogue** on digitalisation
- **Platform for cooperation** between digital and energy innovators
- Reinforcing **international collaboration**

Main areas of the Digitalisation Action Plan



Thank you

Stay informed: DG ENER work on Digitalisation of the energy sector: https://energy.ec.europa.eu/topics/energy-system-integration/digitalisation-energy-sector_en



Presentation of the joint ETIP SNET and ISGAN

White Paper Flexibility for Resilience

Natalie Samovich

ETIP SNET WG1 Chair



Flexibility benefits for resilience

How can flexibility support power grid resilience?

A report summarising experiences from large number of initiatives in a collaborative effort between of ISGAN Annex 6 and ETIP SNET WG1

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Full paper available here:



Focus areas

Flexibility meets Resilience:

Definition of Flexibility & Resilience

How can flexibility support power grid resilience?

- Next level of flexibility
- System operation & Grid planning
- Risk management and energy transition

Conclusions & Key messages

Focus areas

Focus on Power System Flexibility & Resilience originating from

- vRES integration, societal developments, electrification, & sectorial integration
- Flexibility needs for normal operation to ensure secure grid utilization
- Value: decrease overall costs & overcome challenges
- Resilience requirements for extreme situations to prevent severe events
- Threats: instability, cybersecurity, climate change, ...

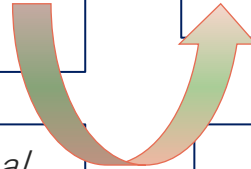
How can flexibility support power grid resilience?

Resilience areas: Anticipation, Preparation, Containment, Mitigation, Rapid recovery, & Adaptation

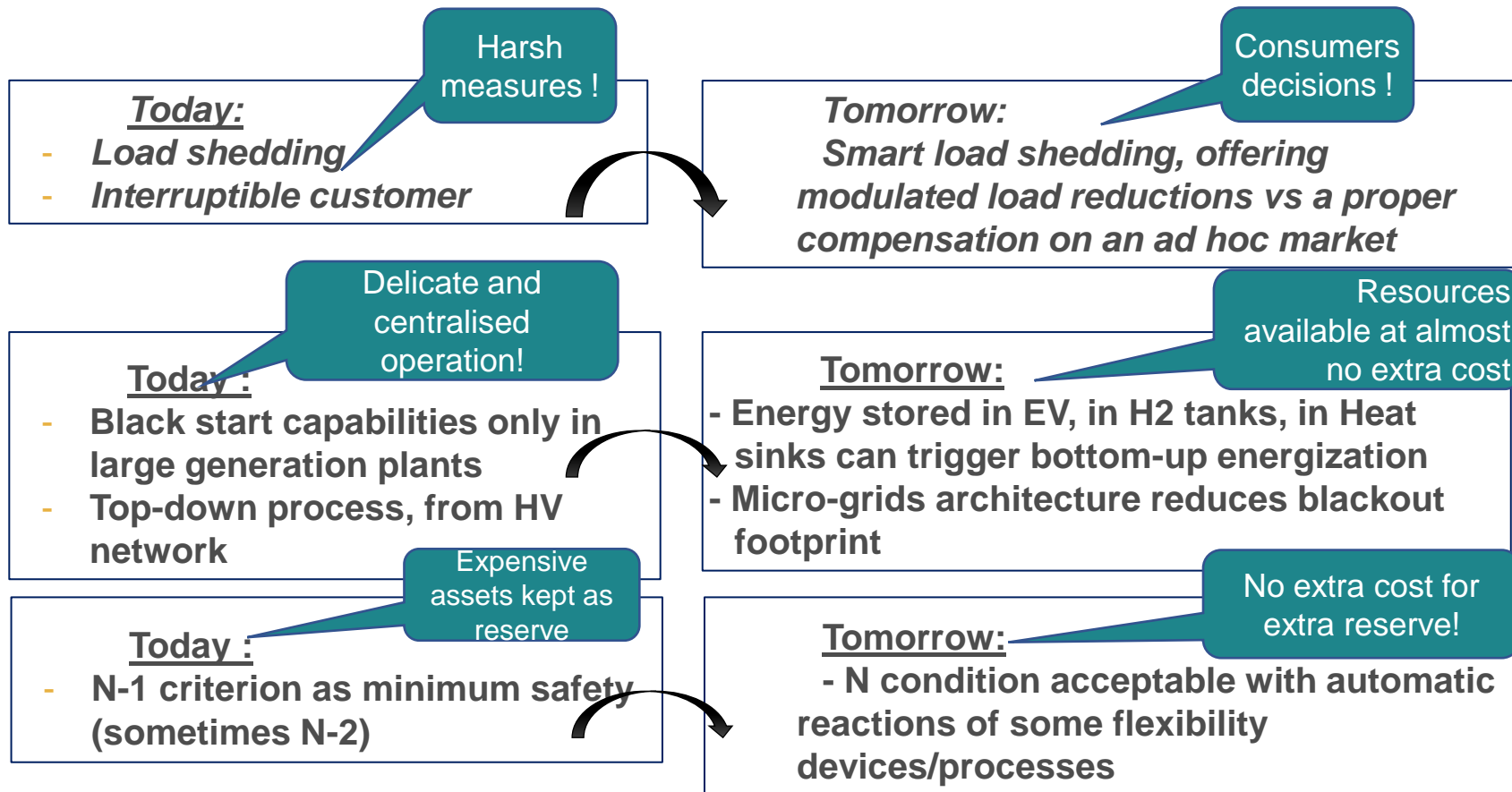
Resilience solutions (conventional containment and restoration): diminish with decommissioning of primary energy reserves

Novel Resilience solutions: increased possibilities with integration of DER & controllable assets – flexibility providers

Resilience requirements: increase with grid utilization, climate change/ severe weather, data handling/cybersecurity



Examples of flexibility supporting system resilience



Flexibility meets resilience

Power system resilience reflects the impact of severe events

- an overarching concept, from design & investments, to operation & maintenance
- planning time frame: build resilience into future networks
- operational time frame: manage security by optimizing inherent resilience of existing systems

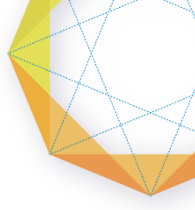
Flexibility concerns the power systems ability to manage changes

- ability to improve resilience characteristics of the system of systems
- planning must embrace wide range of options to enable operational flexibility
- capabilities: to be considered using a holistic approach
- resources: add new dimensions to the electrical TSO-DSO interactions

Flexibility support for power grid resilience

- **Flexibility and Resilience** originate from different situational needs, but are highly related with a common foundation in e.g.: vRES integration, societal developments, electrification, & sectorial integration
- **Digitalisation and Cyber security** are further providing the pressure on requirements and the means for solutions
- **Economic values** provided by large scale flexibility solutions motivates resilience-enhancing investments and security measures
- **Standardisation of solutions** is needed to increase the reliability & acceptance for large scale deployment of flexibility

Flexibility support for power grid resilience



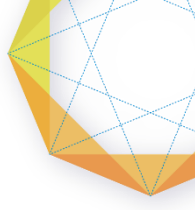
Next Level of Flexibility

Fully deployed and utilized for operation and planning of the power system, being integrated in procedures for long-term planning as well as in tools for stability support

- Development of solutions providing the next level of flexibility is a hot topic in the power system sector
- However, integrating flexibility solutions involve significant risks, volatility, and uncertainty
- Flexibility solutions intended to provide resilience support must be rigid and secure to provide the trust required for operation and planning



Flexibility support for power grid resilience



System operation & grid planning

Advanced solutions to prevent extraordinary events and increase secure utilization of the grid: System Integrity Protection Schemes

Improved System Technical Performance and Security of Supply Flexible capacities and controllable assets providing resilience support for

- Increased number of mitigating measures
- Improved performance (congestion, voltage, stability, loss-reduction, etc.)
- Simplified maintenance & operation processes

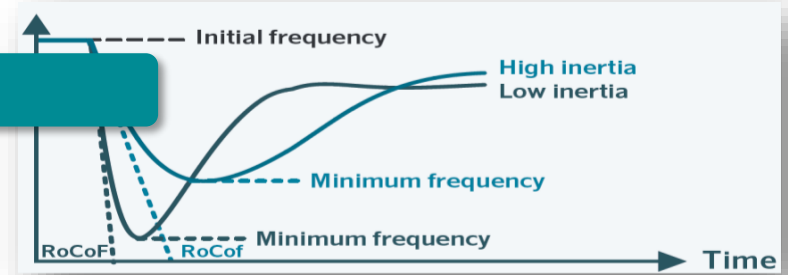
Risk management and energy transition

Alternative Grid Development, providing an agile and sustainable development of the power grid

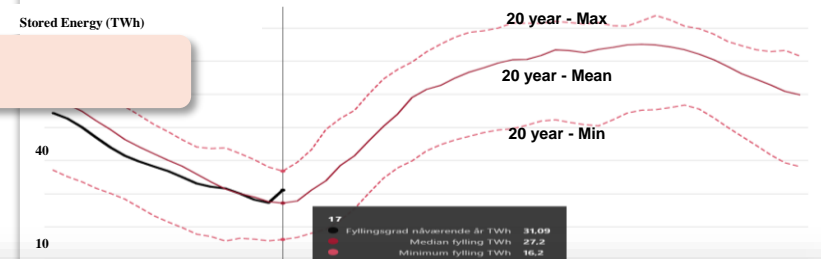
- Optimise investments vs. operation
- Investment deferral, more efficient planning
- Moving towards TOTEX regulation

Flexibility solutions provide support during normal operation, in decreasing of costs and overcoming of challenges, and could be categorised as:

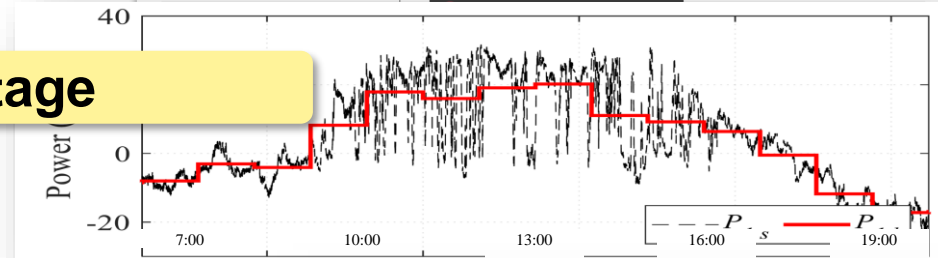
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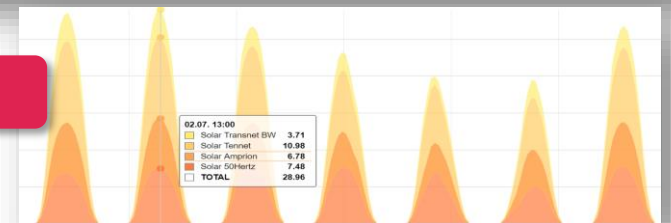
Flexibility for Energy



Flexibility for Voltage

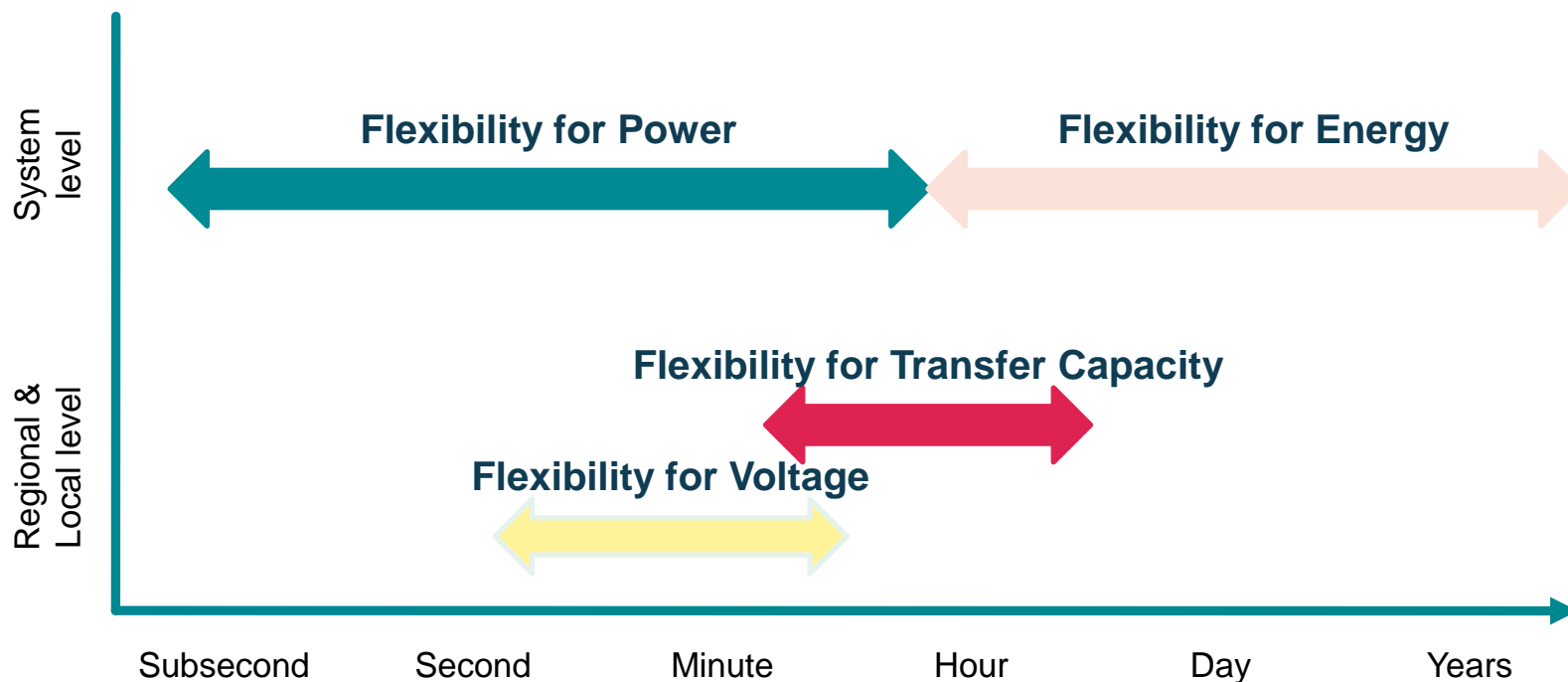


Flexibility for Transfer Capacity



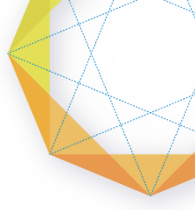
(ISGAN, 2020)

Flexibility needs in spatial and temporal perspectives from sub-seconds to seasons and years on local and over-all system levels



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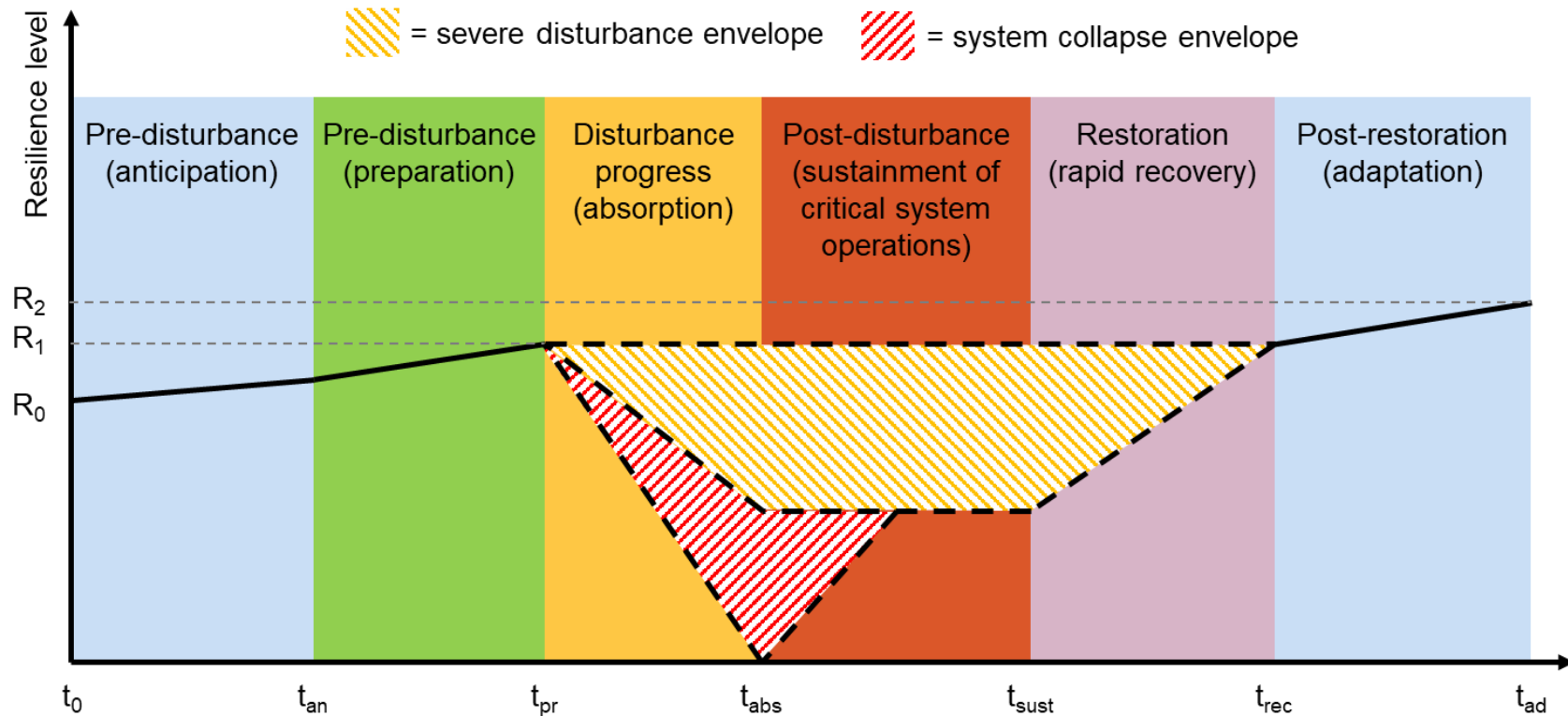
Defining Resilience in the power system context



- Resilience of the power system reflect the impact of severe events
- Many definitions, incl.: *“the ability to limit the extent, severity, and duration of system degradation following an extreme event”* (CIGRE 2019)
 - Level of details, relations to resilience enhancing solutions, prevent agreement on a common definition.
- This broad definition - relating solely to the impact of severe events –simplify understanding and discussion on solutions providing increased resilience



Resilience relies on a set of key measures deployed before, during, and after an event



(CIGRE, 2022)



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BD4NRG project

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Big Data for Next
Generation Energy

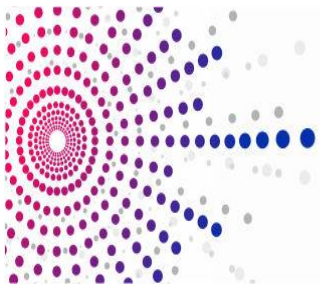
Optimal Big Data-driven Flexibility Management for Grid Improved Resilience

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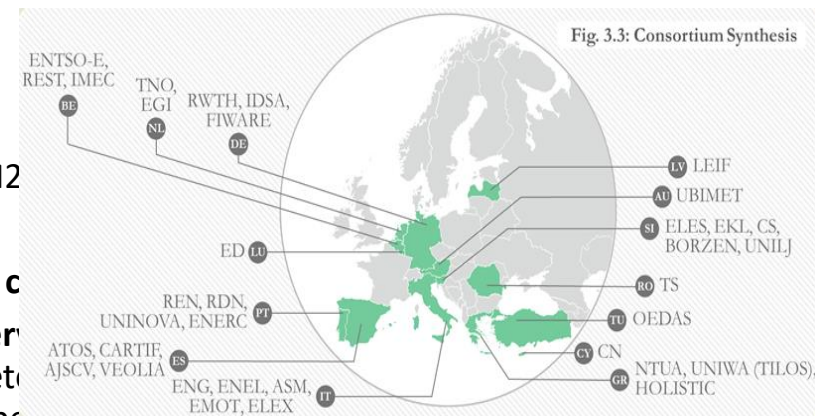


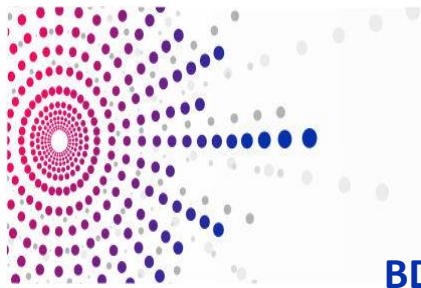
Project Identity Card

BD4NRG aims at evolving, upscaling and demonstrating an innovative **energy-tailored Big Data Analytics Toolbox (BD4NRG Toolbox)**, and the underlying big data management Framework which will significantly contribute to **unlock novel cross-stakeholders business opportunities for electricity and other non-energy stakeholders** as result of *multi-value chain energy-centered data-driven AI-based services*

Project Identity card

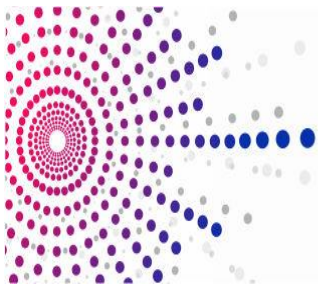
- Call -> H2020-DT-2019- / DT-ICT-11-2019 IA
- Starting Date: 1st January 2021 – Duration: 36 months – Now M2
- Total Costs: 11.883.025 Euro - EU contribution: 9.996.700 Euro
- **35 partners from 11 Countries** covering the **whole energy value c**
- **12 Large Scale Pilots** where to validate **Big Data AI Analytics Ser**
 - ✓ Optimised management of non-grid owned (behind-the-meter)
 - ✓ Improved efficiency and reliability of electricity networks operation
 - ✓ Near real time energy-efficient end user comfort management
 - ✓ Optimal risk assessment for energy efficiency investments planning





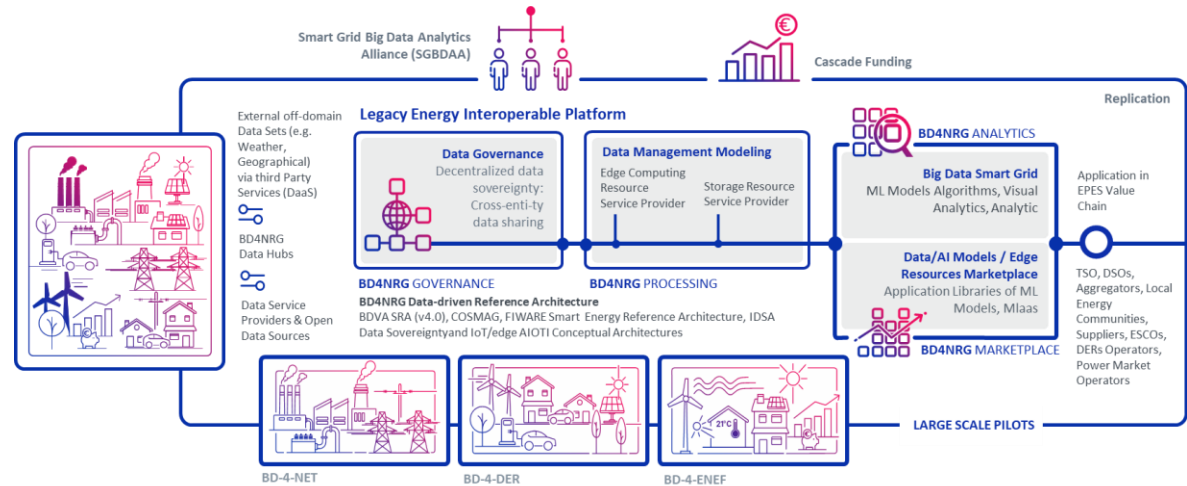
BD4RG Addressing the New Energy Context

- Energy **data-driven** platforms, hubs, solutions and European-wide **Energy Data Spaces**
 - may become the fuel for increased **system-level cross-value chain energy and resource-efficiency**, and better yet greener quality of life
 - are expected to enable systematic **cross-stakeholders interoperability**, and hence facilitate new energy-centered cross-value chain data-driven services, which may:
 - *increase the **customers portfolio** of energy operators, through new energy fingerprinting-based services (es. comfort, wellness. Mobility, personal safety)*
 - *opening up to **new non energy stakeholders** (e-mobility, care service providers, security providers, building/facility operators, real estates,...) to offer bundles of services, which include as well energy services (es. paying kWh as Kms...)*
- There are some **silver bullets**...
 - Insufficient cross-value chain interoperability
 - Lack of trust both at B2B and B2C level, preventing energy data sharing (data sovereignty is not fully integrated in the Energy platforms/hubs)
 - Market failures/ business models immaturity of the energy data value chain (es. insufficient propagation of shared data value along energy value chain)

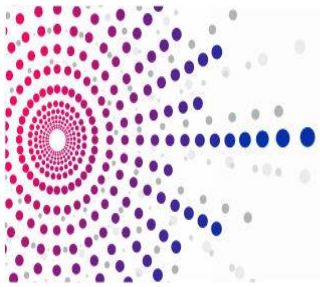


BD4NRG Achievements To Date

- Innovative energy-tailored **Big Data Analytics Toolbox (BD4NRG Toolbox)** which will significantly contribute to achieve a techno-economic optimal management of Electric Power and Energy Systems (EPES) value chain
- **BDA Analytics Services** for (i) optimised management of grid and non-grid owned assets; (ii) improved efficiency and reliability of electricity networks operation; (iii) optimal risk assessment for energy efficiency investments planning

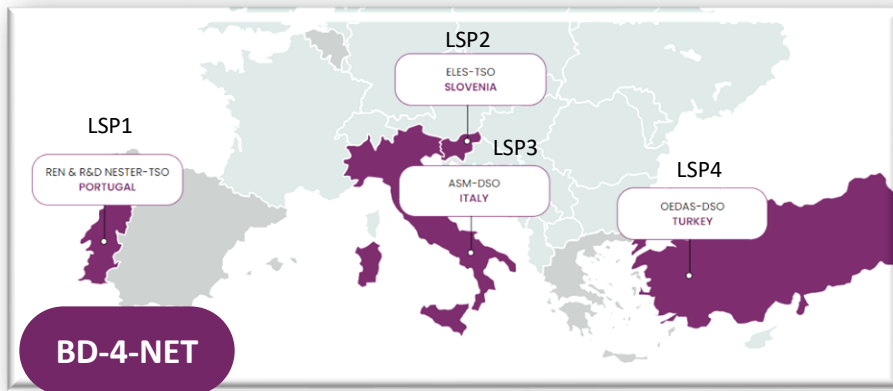


...To enable a **consumer-centric data-driven electricity-centered energy system**



Who can provide/consume data?

12 Large-Scale Pilots (LSPs)



Predictive Analytics that can forecast and increasing the efficiency and reliability of the electricity network

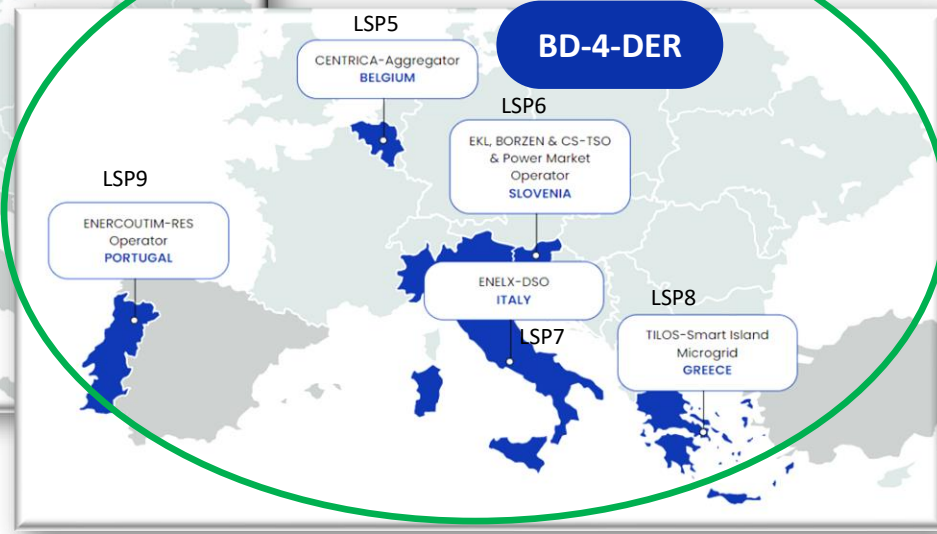


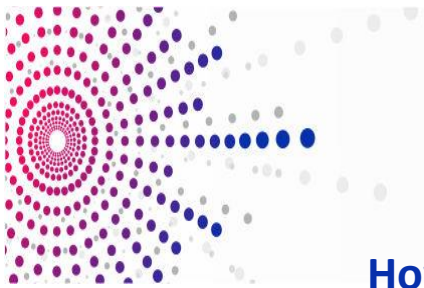
BD-4-ENEF

Increasing the efficiency and comfort of buildings, and de-risking investments in energy efficiency



Optimizing the management of DER assets connected to the grid

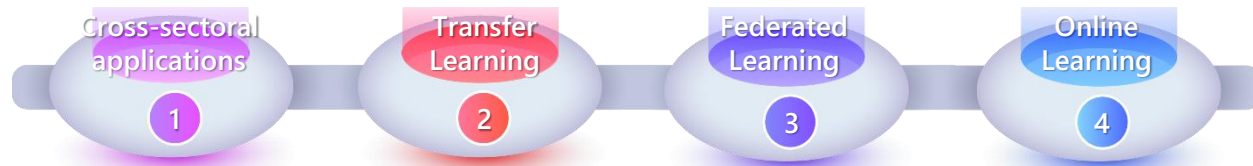




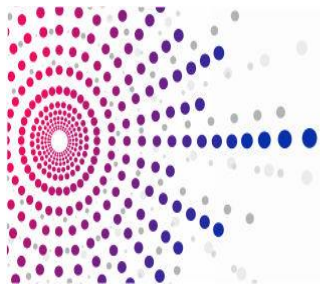
How are the data analysed?

Pilot-oriented Analytics Services

Highlights



Analytics Services	Data Analytics Techniques & Algorithms	Category	Related LSP
Grid-secure dispatch of battery energy storages systems	Linear Regression (LR); Linear programming	Machine Learning, Optimization Algorithms	LSP5
Energy state forecasting of water heaters using transfer learning	Physics-informed neural network; Multi-Layer Perceptron (MLP)	Machine Learning, Deep Learning, Transfer Learning	LSP5
NWP-based Mid-term Photovoltaic production forecasting	XGBoost (XGB); LightGBM (LGBM); Multi-Layer Perceptron (MLP)	Machine Learning, Deep Learning	LSP8
Large scale Load Forecasting at an island level	Decision Tree (DT); Extreme Gradient Boosted Trees (XGBoost); LightGBM (LGBM); Multi-Layer Perceptron (MLP)	Machine Learning, Deep Learning	LSP8
Water Pumping Systems Load Shifting	Heuristic Algorithm	Optimization Algorithms	LSP8
PV & CPV Production NWP-independent Short-Term Forecasting	Stacked LSTM; Bi-Directional LSTM; CNN-LSTM; Convolutional LSTM	Deep Learning	LSP9
Thermal Comfort Analytics for Buildings	Linear Regression (LR); Random Forest (RF); Prophet Model	Machine Learning	LSP11



Cross-stakeholder Flexibility Assets Forecasting and Aggregation – (1/2)

Where: Belgium
Pilot Leader – CENTRICA

Use Case 1 Transfer learning for asset energy forecasting

machine learning

cross-context transfer learning data-driven services & algorithms for residential flexibility asset profiling in cold start conditions

Use Case 2 Grid-friendly asset dispatch

machine learning & optimization algorithms

Using service provider's local grid information in a cross-domain context of grid-friendly aggregation activations

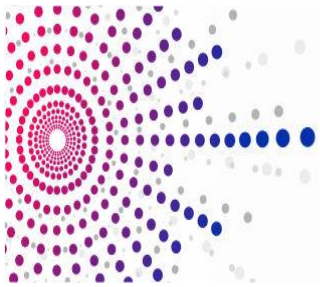
Main Outcomes

Major takeaways

More efficient learning leading to *higher consumer comfort* and *faster cost/revenue benefits* of controllers

Grid-friendly demand response activations can *mitigate congestion or voltage issues* compared to conventional activation





Cross-stakeholder Transfer Learning for Flexibility Assets Forecasting and Aggregation – (2/2)

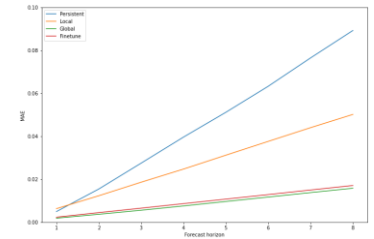
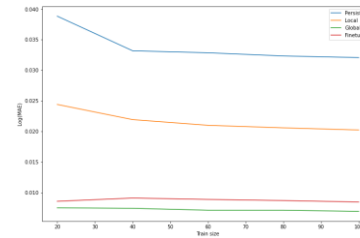
Pilot setup



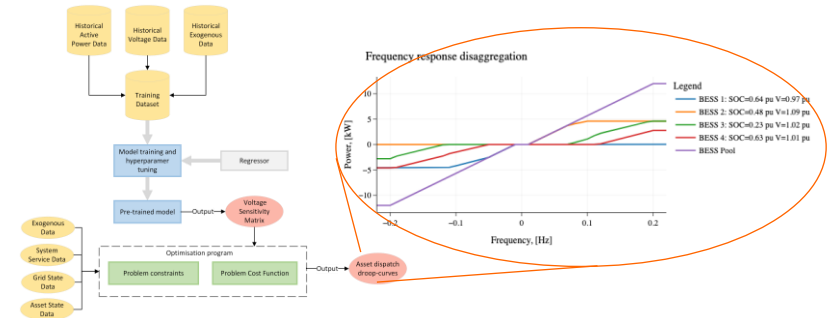
Hot water heaters



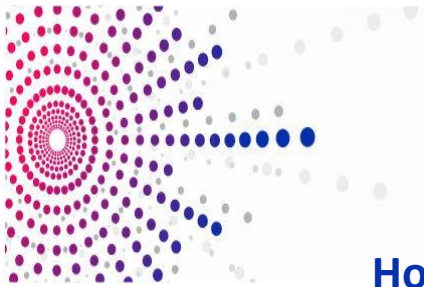
Battery energy storage system



LSP5 UC1 Component Diagram & results. SOURCE: Ugent/IMEC



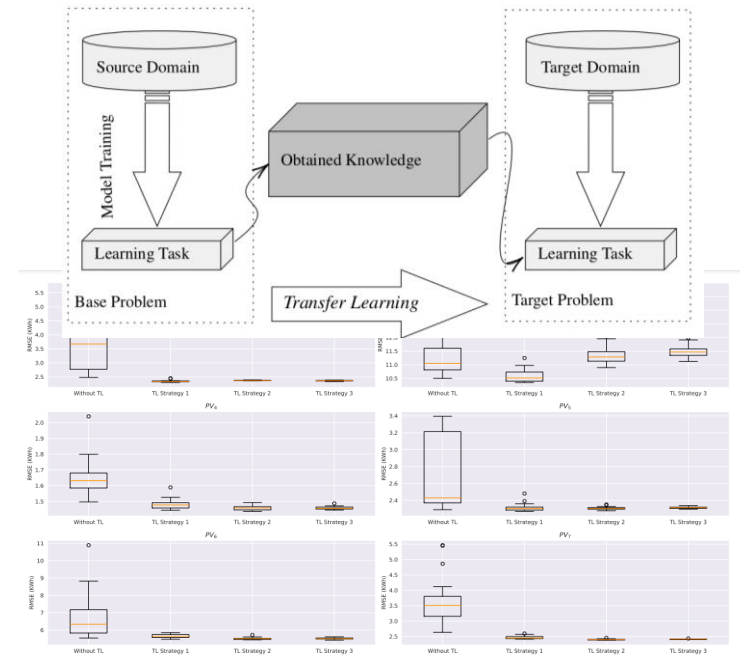
LSP5 UC2 Component Diagram



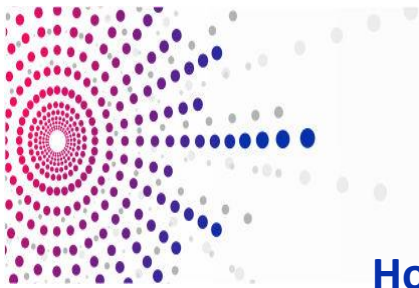
How are the data analysed?

Transfer Learning

- What happens when few data are available?
- **Application:** Cross-context transfer learning algorithms for residential flexibility asset profiling with a view to reduce the time necessary for model training



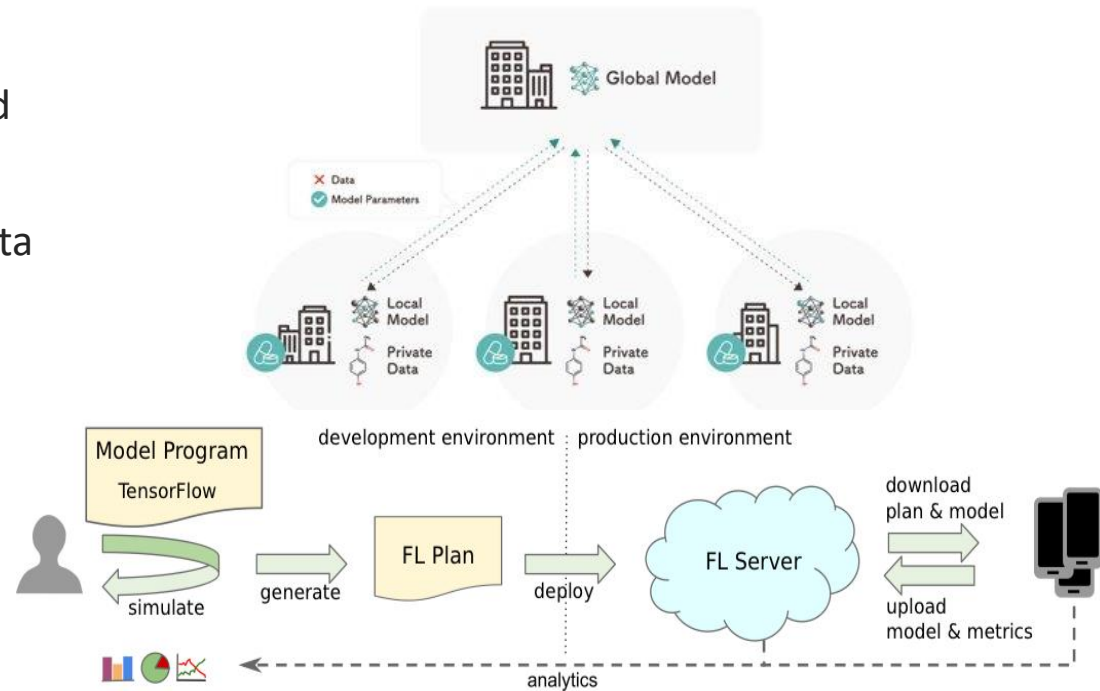
Publication: Transfer learning strategies for solar power forecasting under data scarcity. Scientific Reports (Nature), 12 (14643), 2022.

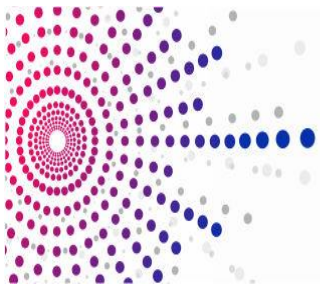


How are the data analysed?

Federated Learning

- Uses local information to build global knowledge
- Does not disclose sensitive data
- **Application:** Management of residential demand-response/flexibility assets management to retrieve local grid information used for aggregation activations (LSP5)



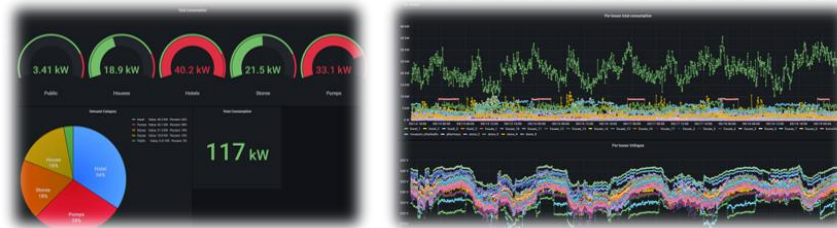


Predictive Demand and Generation Forecasting for Optimized Local Energy Community Management

Infrastructure & Data Used:

- **Municipal loads'** demand
- **Residential/Commercial loads'** demand
- **Distributed PV** plants' power generation
- **Weather** data

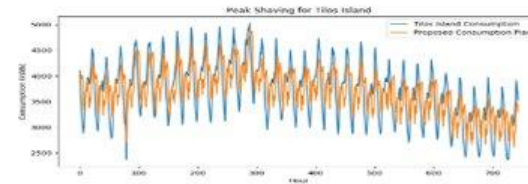
Where: Greece (Tilos Island) - Pilot Leader – UNIWA



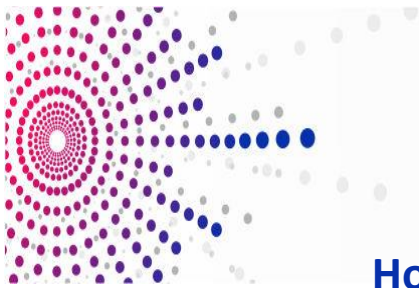
Grafana environment for data sharing

Main Achievements:

- **Forecasting Models** for **PV generation** & **load demand**, combined with **optimization scheduling algorithms** for deferrable loads (e.g. water pumps)
- **Big data analytics community level service** for peak shaving and RES shares' utilization increase



Peak shaving techniques

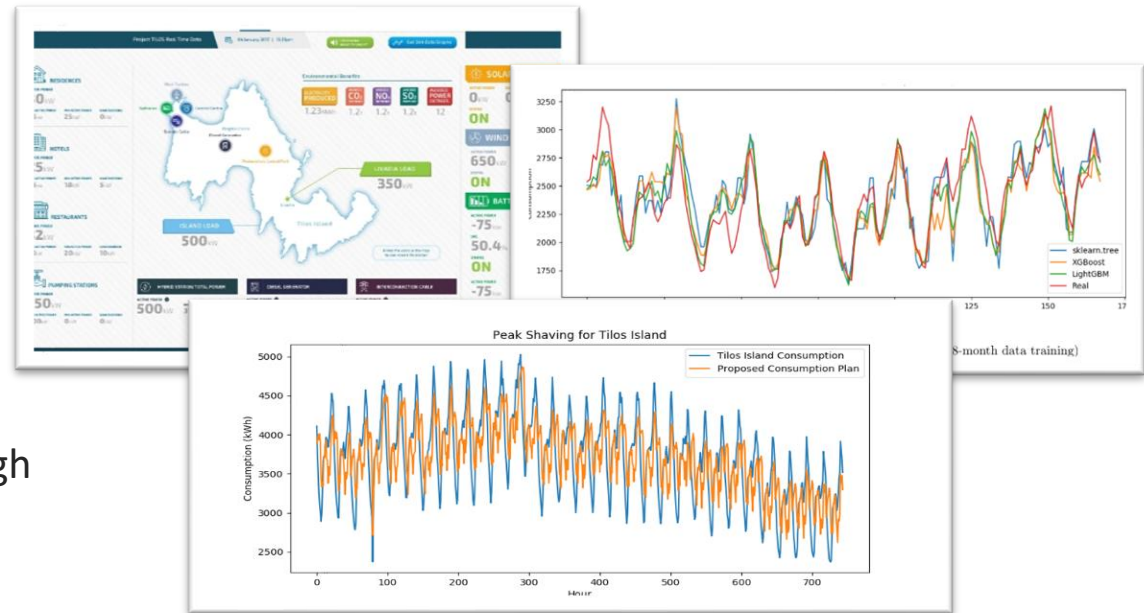


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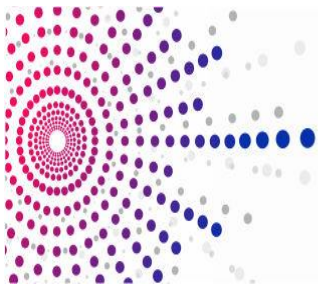
Cross-sectoral application: Energy & Water

Optimized local energy community management

- Improved analytics-based forecasting for RES local generation and flexible/controllable loads
- **Application:** Peak shaving through smart scheduling of water pumping systems (LSP8 – Tilos island municipality)



Publication: ML-based energy management of water pumping systems for the application of peak shaving in small-scale islands, Sustainable Cities and Society 82, 103873.



Collaborative aggregated energy generation prediction

Where: Portugal - Pilot Leader – ENERCOUTIM – In progress

Use Case 1: Optimizing and improving management and prediction of DER production

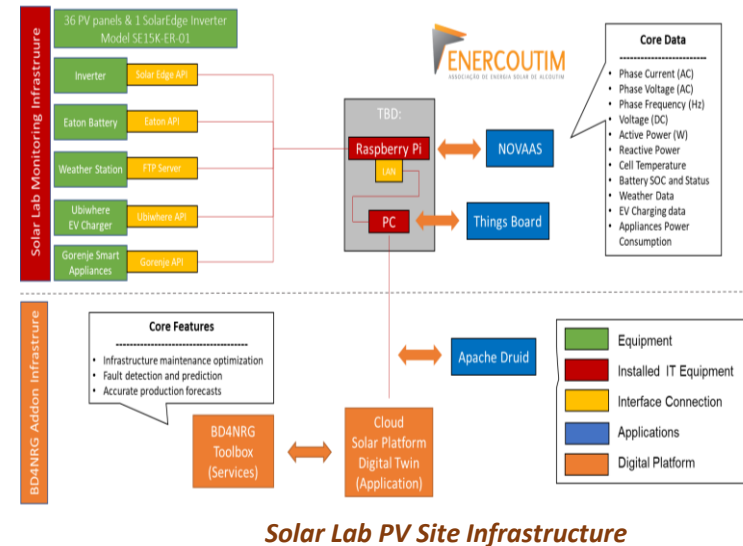
Use Case 2: Energy sector digital twin

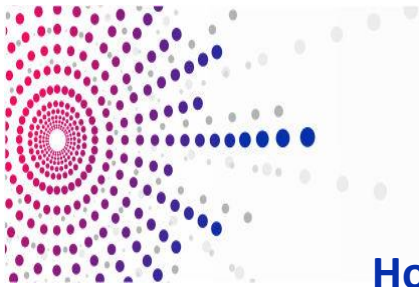
Infrastructure & Data Used:

- **CPV** and **Solar Lab** data (DC/AC Current/Voltage, Phase Frequency, Active/Reactive Power, Cell Temperature, Elevation Angle, Tracker motor angles)
- **Faults** records
- **Operational & maintenance** data of PV plants

Main Achievements:

- **AAS Environment** for Solar Lab and Cluster created.
- AAS **meta data modelling**.
- **Prototype connection** of asset under WP3.
- **Initial** power generation **forecasts** for **renewable energy** plants on plant level.

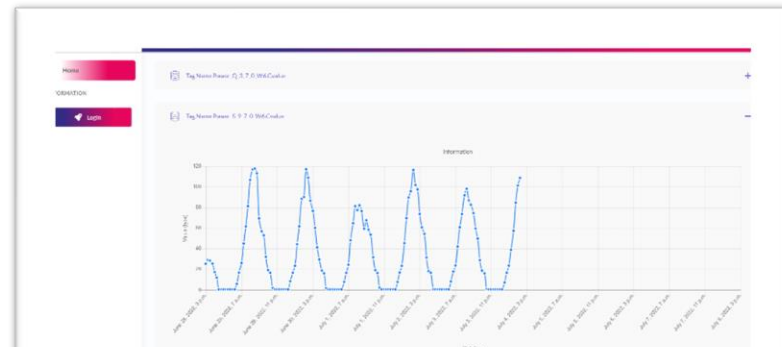




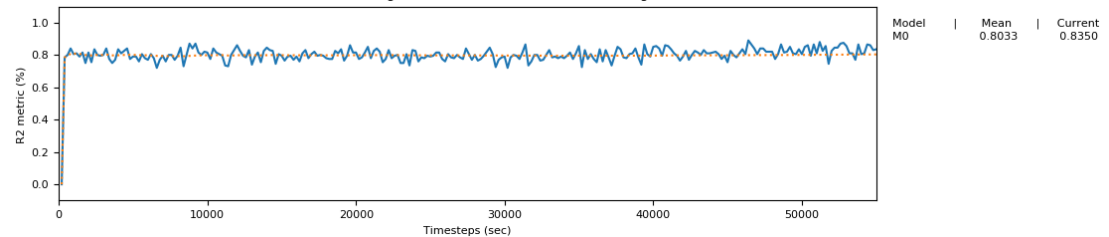
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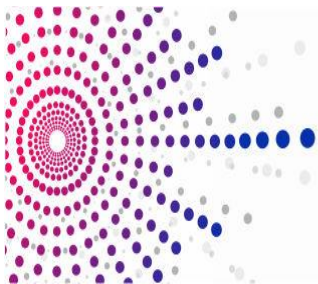
Online Learning

- Adapt better to changes in the data distribution (data variety).
- Faster model updates (data velocity).
- Smaller data storage capacity (data volume).
- **Application:** An online learning framework for load forecasting in energy microgrids (LSP9 - microgrid applications load forecasting)



Online Learning Framework for Demand Forecasting





Coordinating Grid-owned and Behind-the-meter Assets for Grid Operation vs Near Power Market Operation Settlement

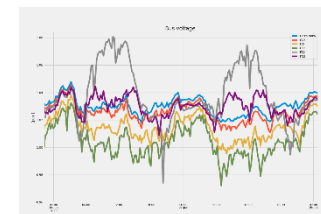
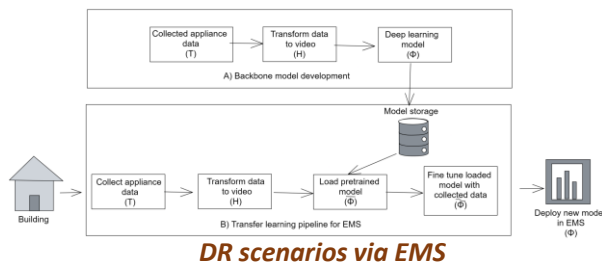
Where: Slovenia - Pilot Leader – BORZEN – In progress

Use Case 1: Identification of flexibility potential, based on near-real time data

Use Case 2: Independent aggregator flexibility activation, quantification and settlement

Infrastructure & Data Used:

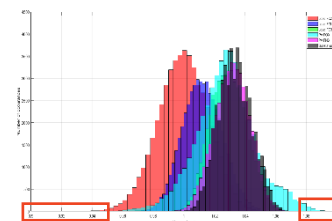
- Power quality meters (voltage and current measurements and calculated electrical parameters)
- **Smart metering** data (voltage, current, power, energy) from **households**, consumers with **self-production** and **energy production** locations



Grid modelling

Main Achievements:

- **Grid modeling, power quality** prediction, corrective measures via **demand-response** TSO's assets' **fault analytics** service development
- Fine-grain **consumers profiling, clustering** and **flexibility assessment**
 - Machine learning for **regression/classification** models **labeling** energy **consumption production**
 - **Explicit** and **implicit demand-response** scenarios via EMS / smart metering infrastructure



Flexibility potential



BD4NRG project

Massimo Bertoncini
Director of R&I projects
on Smart Energy at Engineering





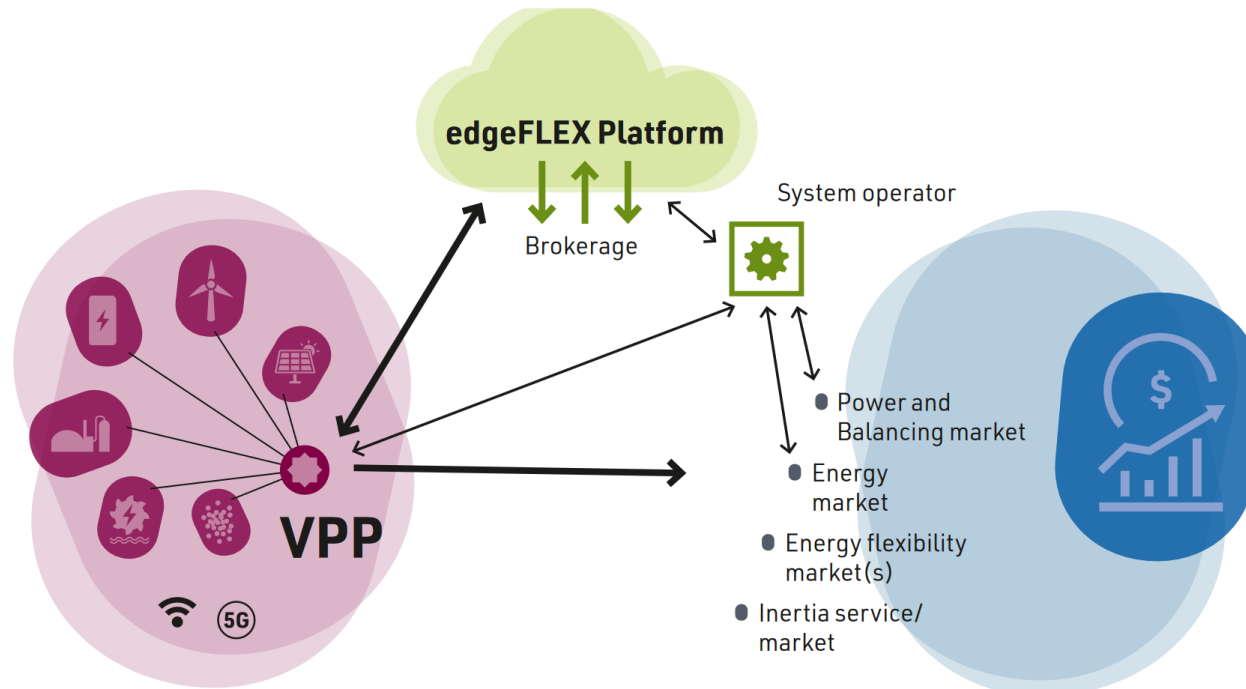
Edge-FLEX project

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Power Systems



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Managing future grids with the new VPP Concept



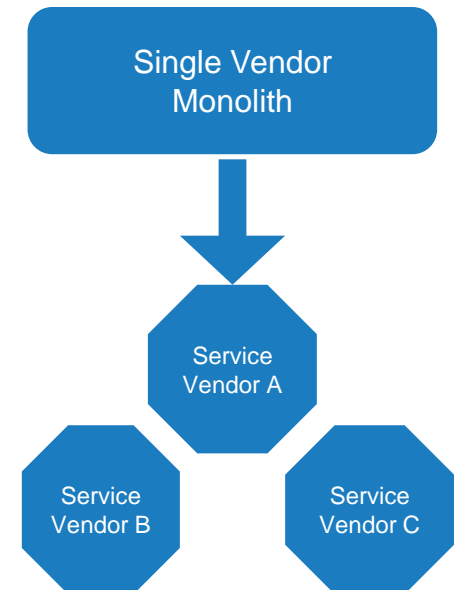
edgeFLEX aims at involving **Virtual Power Plants** and **Energy Communities** in the grid management, by enabling **Slow and Fast dynamics services** and fostering a new **local energy and flexibility market**.

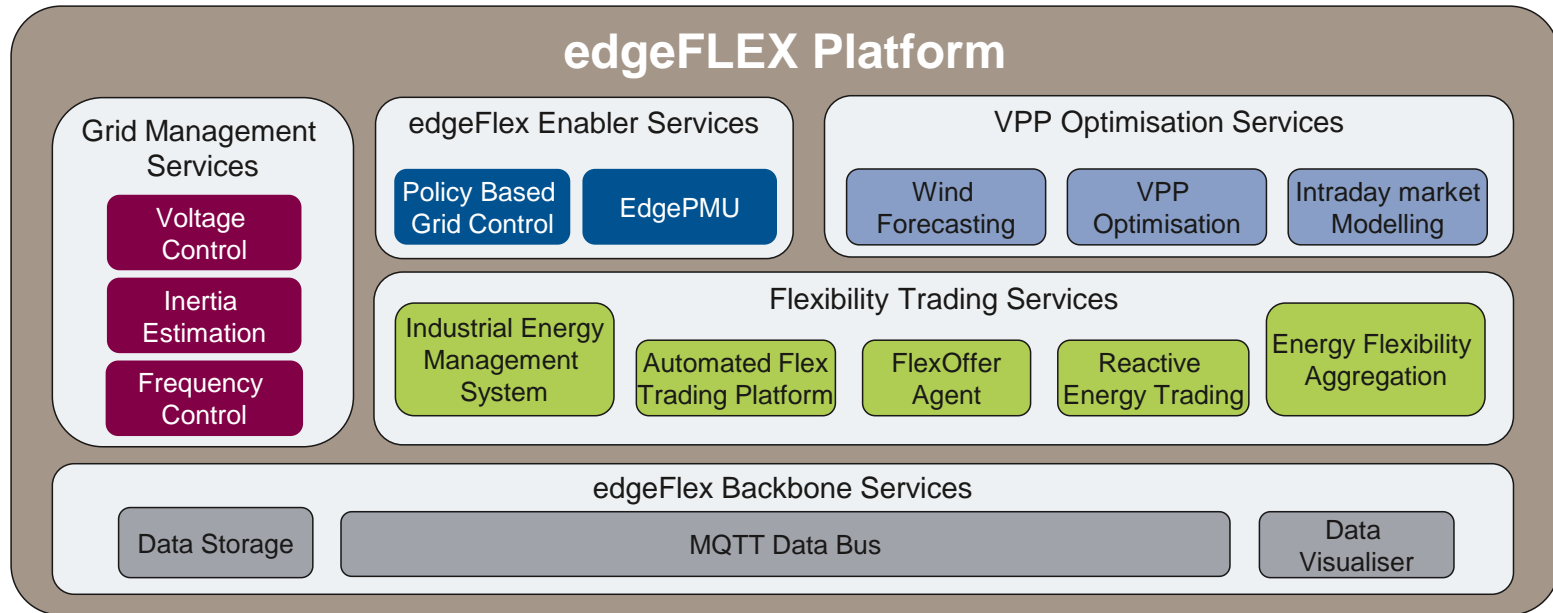
- From a monolithic approach to the SOGNO Microservice solution
 - Flexible access to system automation based on cloud-native **microservices**
 - **Decentralized service procurement** from one or more providers without vendor lock-in
 - Multiple suppliers of **measurement devices and algorithms**
 - Hosted **on-premise** or in **public cloud**
 - Support of multiple **standard data models**



- Supported by Linux Foundation Energy
- Rich Catalogue of Services
- Open source code repository available on Github
- Wide spreading industrial adoption

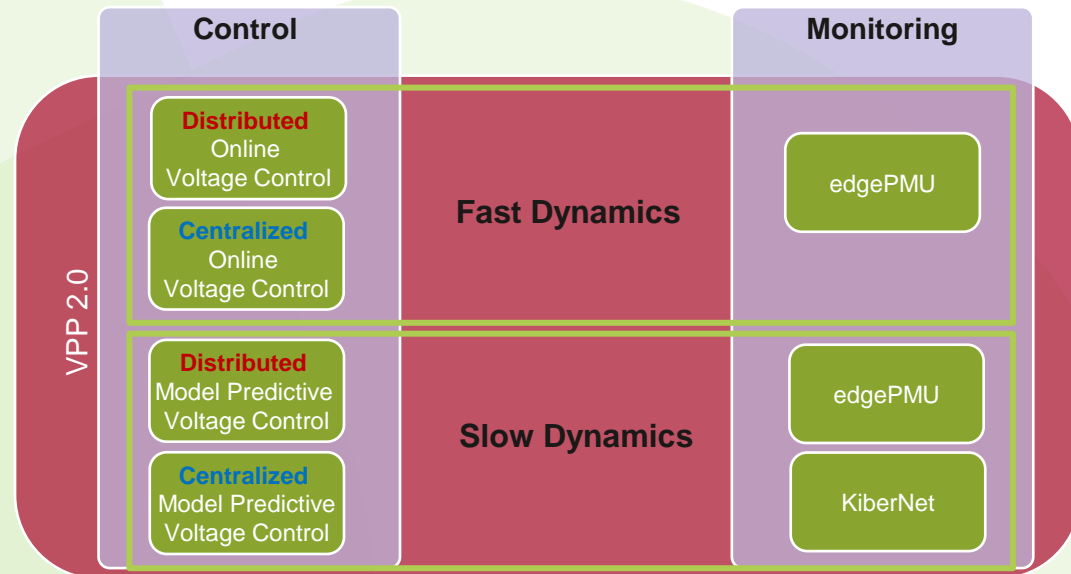
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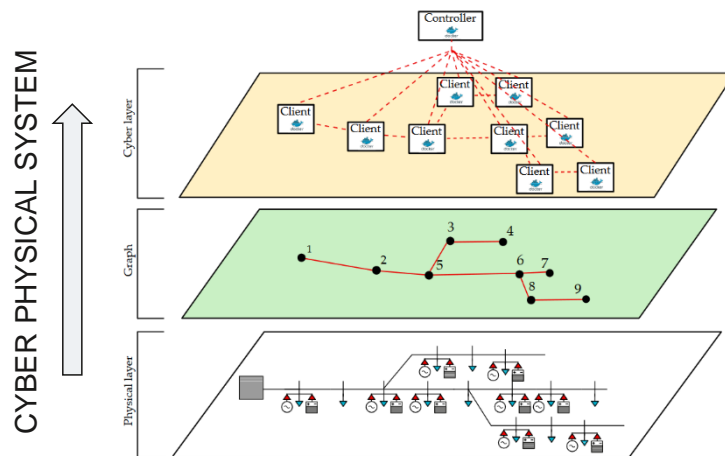


Voltage Control Research Summary

- **Novel concept of Distributed Online and Model Predictive Voltage Control**
 - ▶ to obtain a **peer-to-peer** and **secure** voltage control algorithm, with a **plug and play** capability
- **Integration of Centralized Online and Model Predictive Voltage Control in the platform**
 - ▶ For the implementation of **fast and slow actions** in the **field trial**
 - ▶ To **engage** customers by interfacing with **Flexibility Market** (Kibernet)



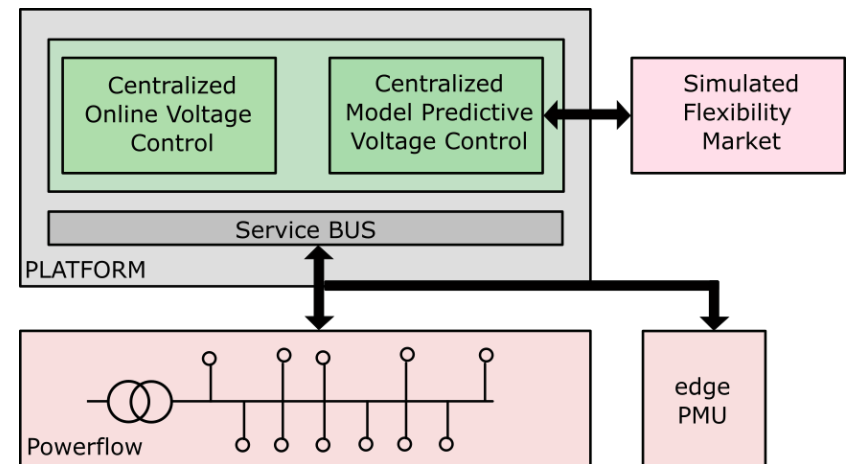
Distributed Online Voltage Control with Software Containers



- Robustness against model error
- Scalable

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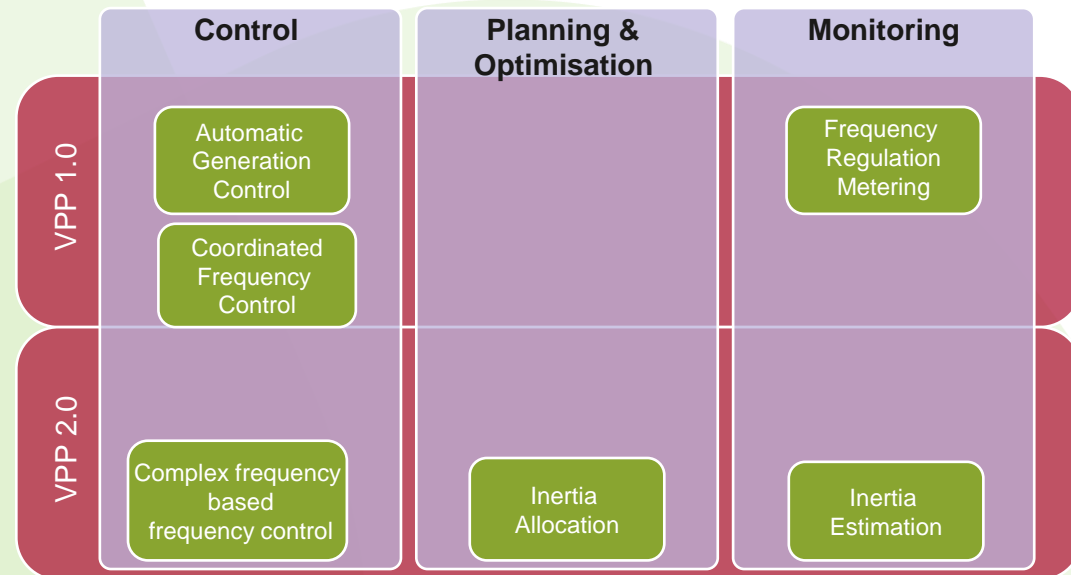
Centralized Controllers with Software Containers



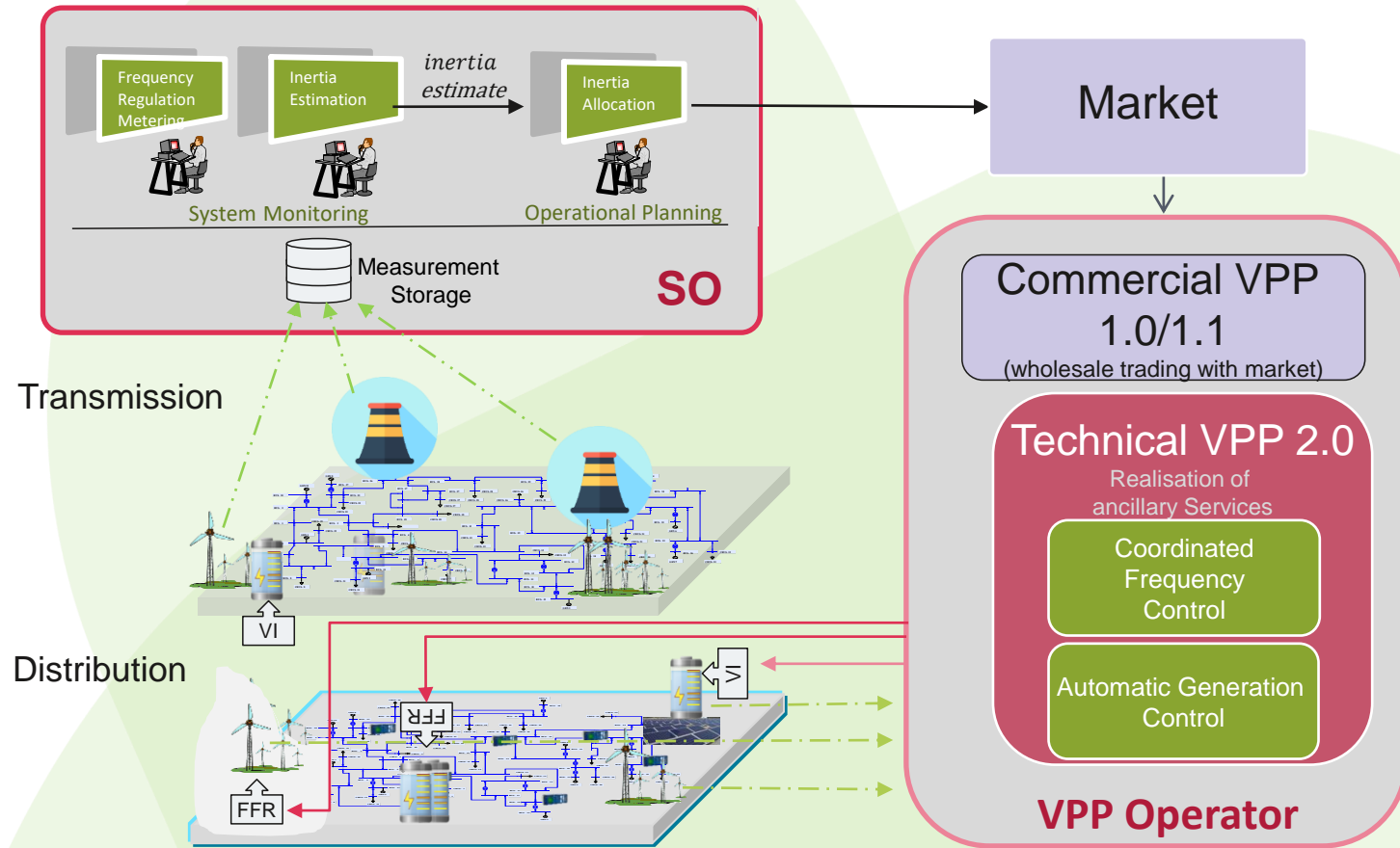
- Can be instantiated as microservices in the edgeFLEX platform

Frequency Control Research Concepts

- Novel frequency control for current VPPs
 - ▶ **enhances** the overall **dynamic performance** of VPPs depending on existing regulations.
- Novel concepts for frequency control, inertia estimation and frequency support services allocation for Energy Communities in *future VPPs*
 - ▶ **advance the role of VPPs in providing ancillary services**
- New theoretical advancement: the development of the **concept of the “complex frequency.”**



edgeFLEX Vision





edgeFLEX Consortium

10 partners institutions

- 6 SMEs and LEs
- 4 Universities

6 countries involved

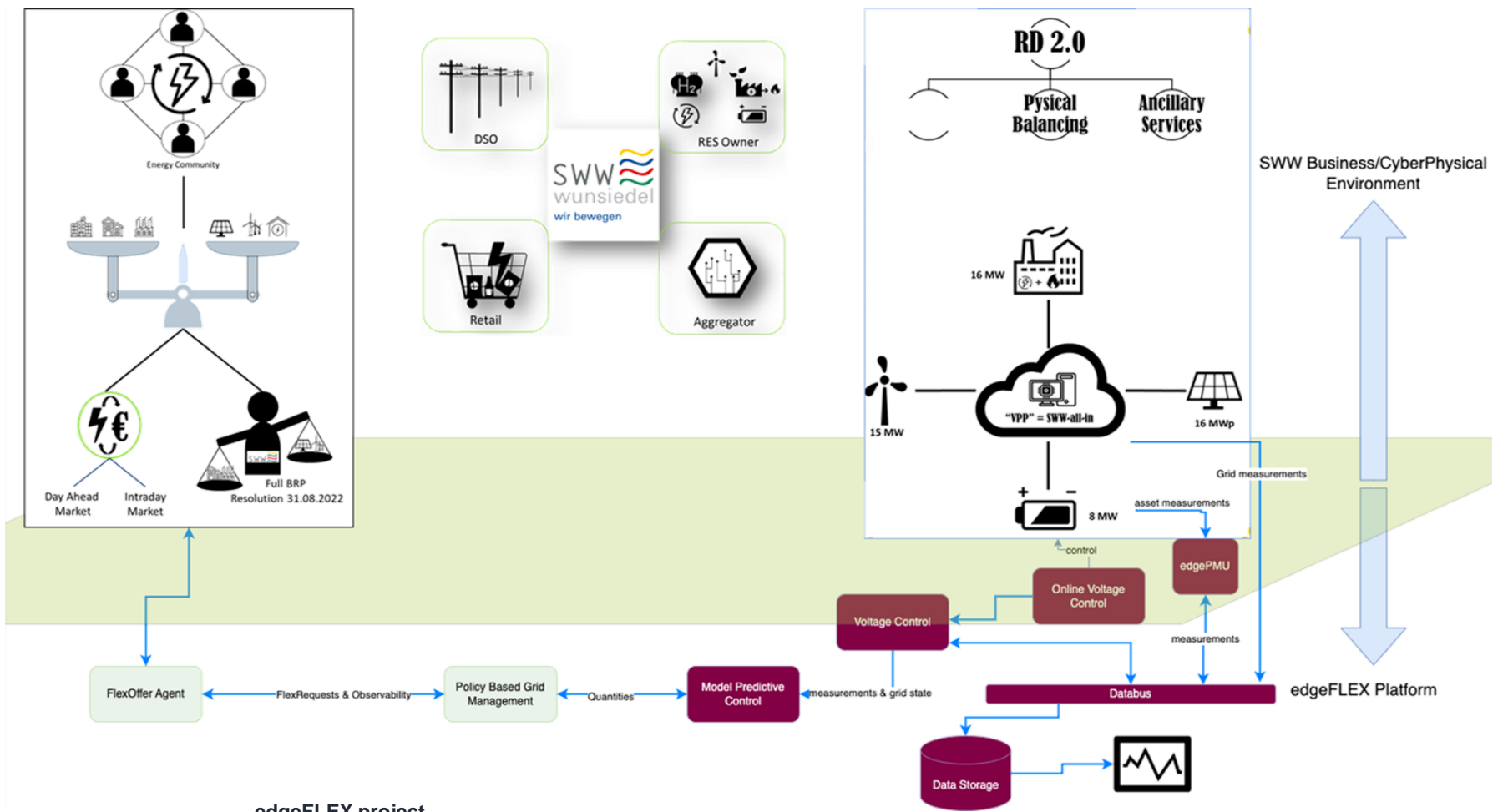
Trials in Germany

T1 all over Germany: Slow Dynamics
 T2 in Wunsiedel: Slow + fast Dynamics
 T4 in Aachen: Laboratory Test

Trial in Italy

T3 in Milan: Fast Dynamics

Utilities have already expressed their interest in joining the trial as first external testers at their own expenses



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