



ENTSO-E – Regional Group North Sea

Regional Investment Plan 2012-2022
Preliminary results

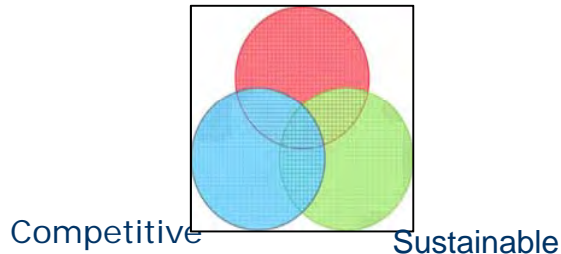
Brussels, 15 December 2011

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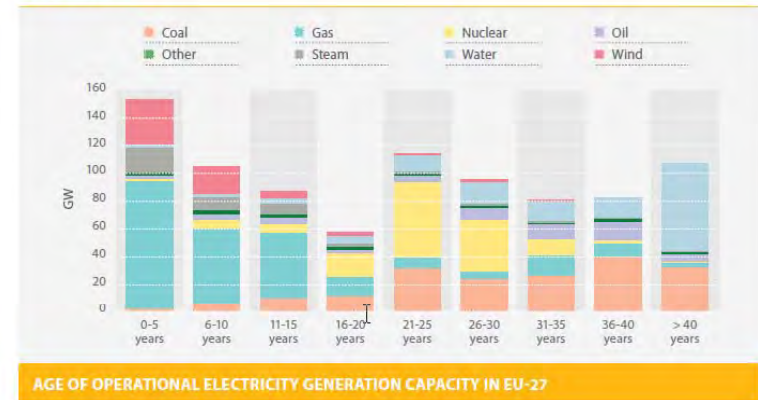
Investment Drivers

of supply



The "20-20-20" targets

FIGURE 27

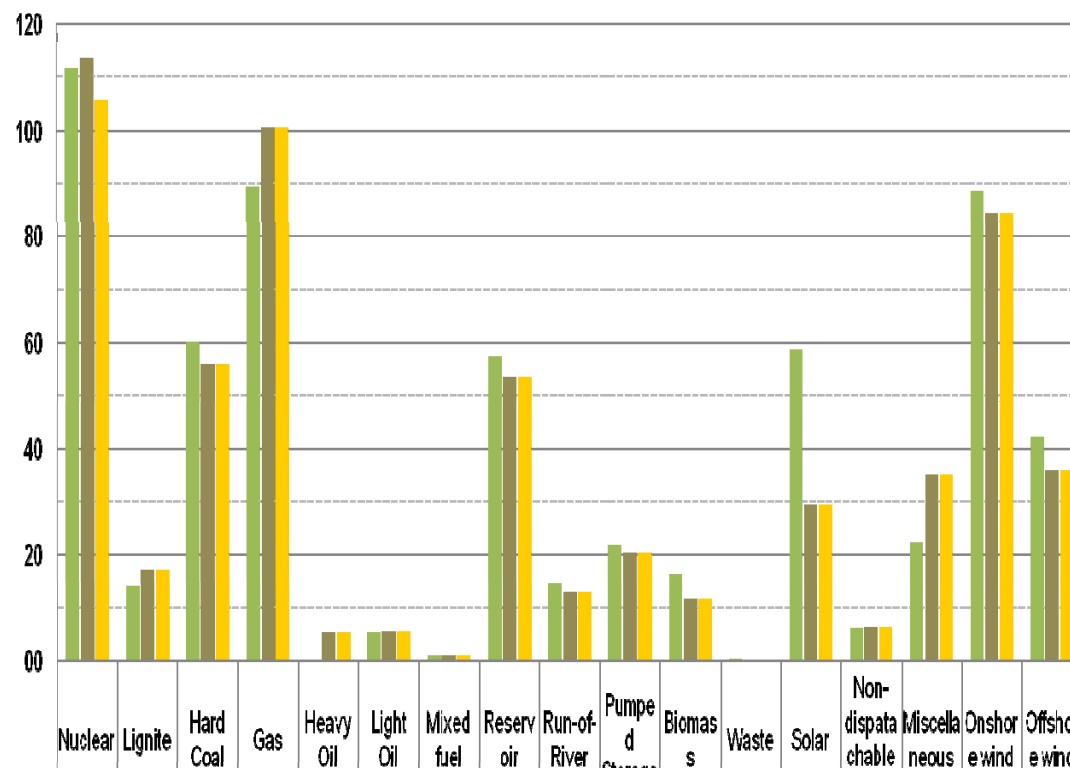


Source: Platts

- ❑ Preservation of **security of supply** and completion of the **electricity market** (IEM) by securing and increasing the present exchange capacities and building new interconnections
- ❑ Large-scale connection and integration of **renewable energy sources**
- ❑ Connection and integration of new conventional **power plants**
- ❑ Support of the **load growth** in a reliable way in some areas

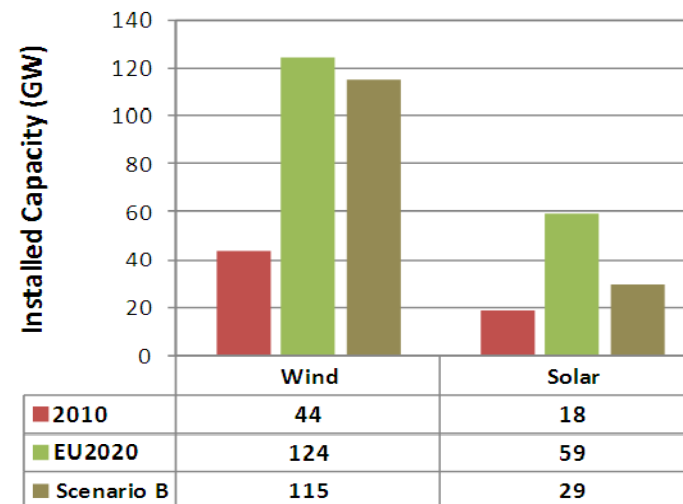
2020 generation mixes

Aggregated installed capacities RGNS (GW)



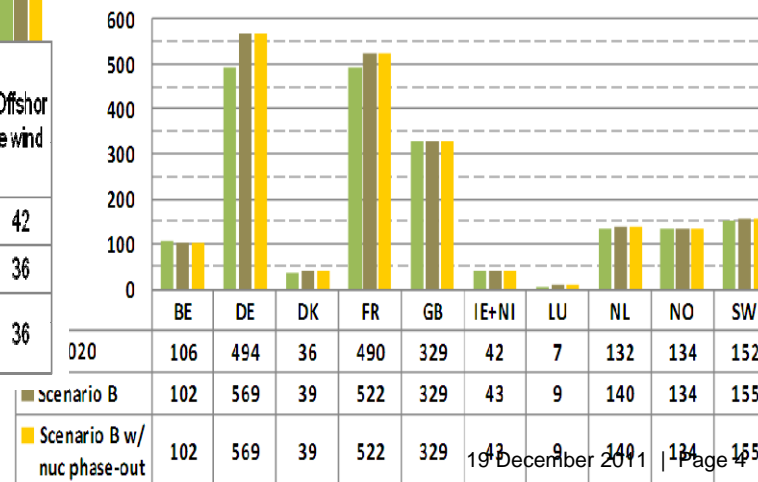
■ EU2020	111	14	60	89	00	05	01	58	14	22	16	00	59	06	22	89	42
■ Scenario B	114	17	56	101	05	05	01	53	13	20	11	00	29	06	35	85	36
■ Scenario B w/ nuc phase-out	106	17	56	101	05	05	01	53	13	20	11	00	29	06	35	85	36

Installed wind and solar capacity (GW)



Annual demand 2020 (TWh)

Totals RGNS: EU2020 = 1770 TWh, Scenario B = 1887 TWh



Investment Needs (1/6)) – drivers in the system

Main trends/observations :

✓ *Hydro* capacities in Norway

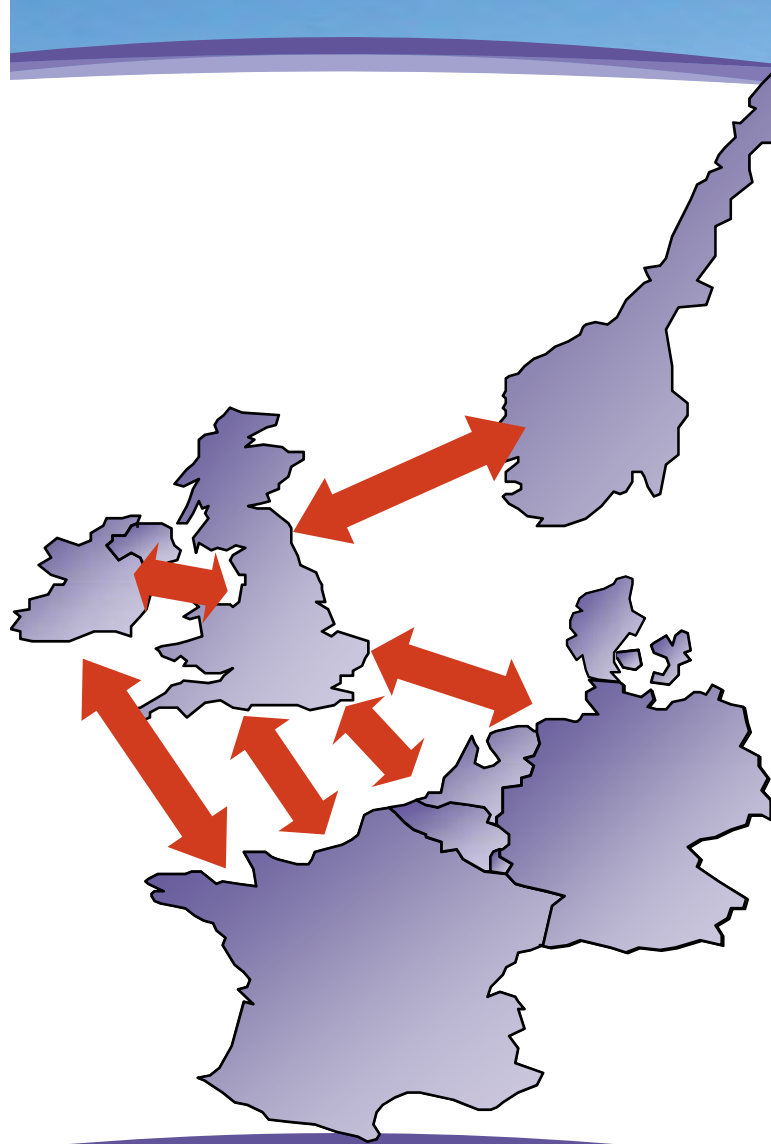
✓ High penetration of *wind energy* especially in Ireland and UK, in the North Sea, Denmark and Northern Germany

✓ *Solar energy* in Southern Germany

✓ *Hydro* power plants in Switzerland

✓ Nuclear phase-out in Germany, Belgium and later in Switzerland

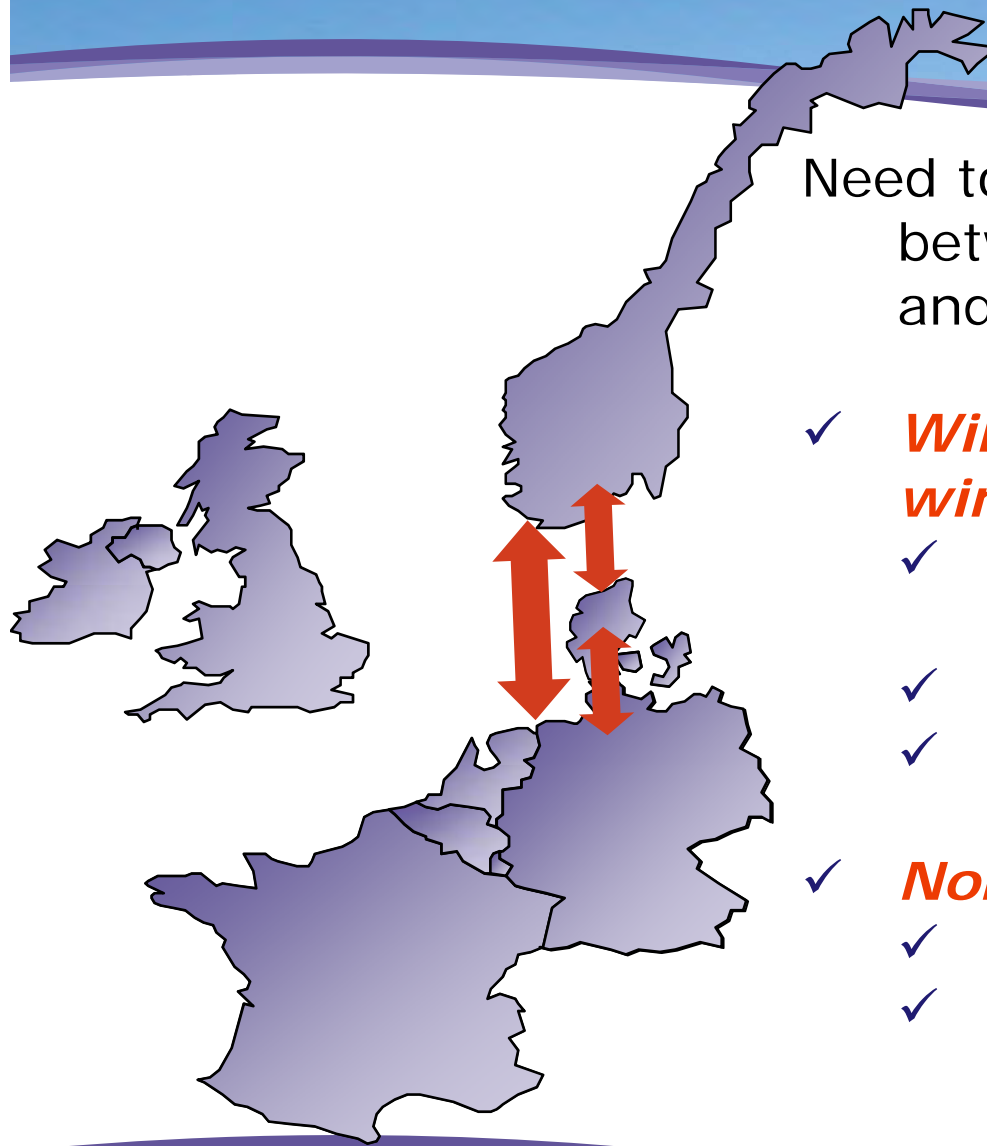
Investment Needs (2/6)



Need to build new interconnections between the island of Ireland, Great Britain, Scandinavia and continental Europe

- ✓ ***Windy day → evacuate exceeding wind power in Ireland and UK to***
 - ✓ Storage facilities in Norway
 - ✓ Countries with less wind capacity
- ✓ ***Non-windy day → import energy in Ireland and UK from***
 - ✓ Storage facilities in Norway
 - ✓ Countries with available capacities (RES, nuclear or thermal)

Investment Needs (3/6)



Need to increase the exchange capabilities between Northern Germany, Denmark and Norway

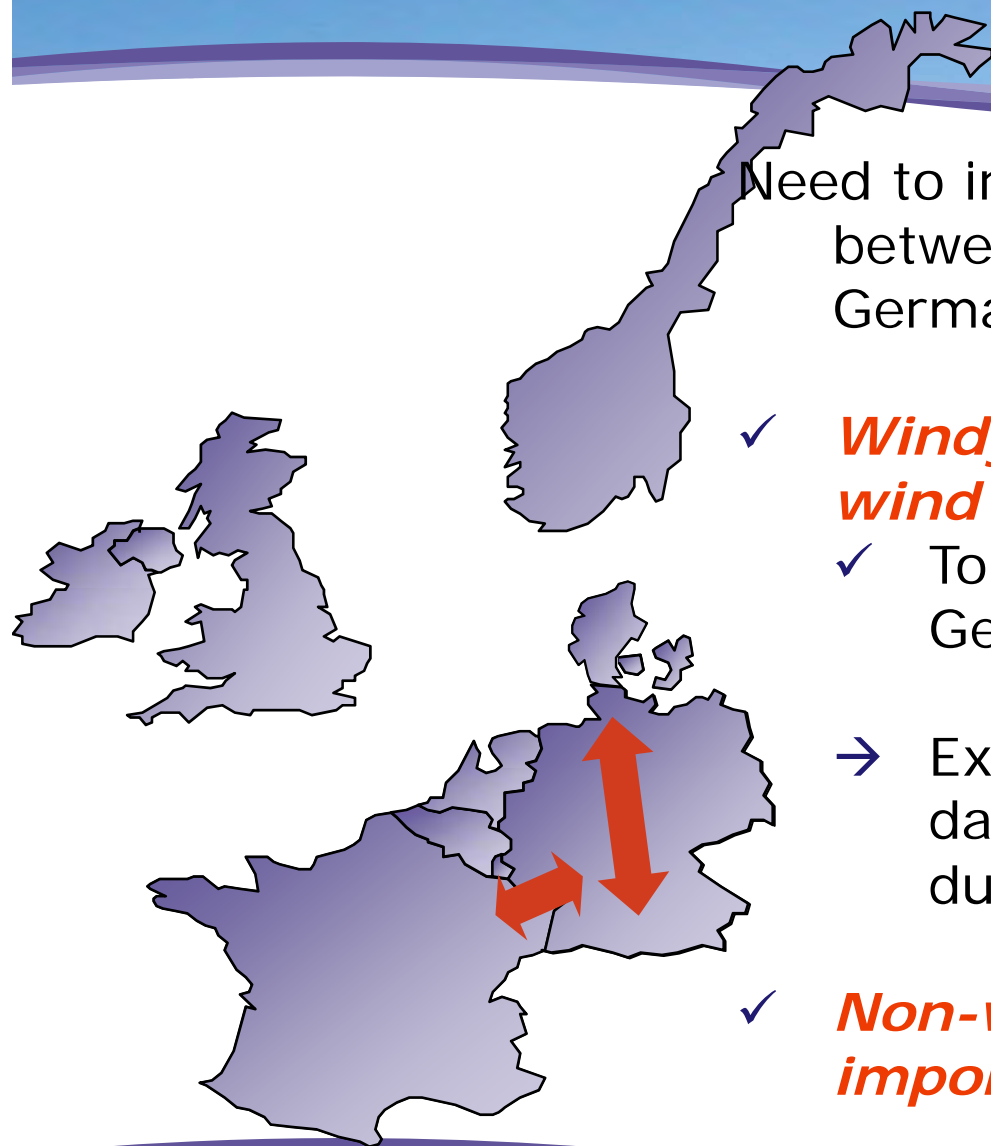
✓ ***Windy day → evacuate exceeding wind power***

- ✓ From Northern Germany and Denmark
- ✓ To storage facilities in Norway
- ✓ Via Denmark

✓ ***Non-windy day → import energy***

- ✓ From storage facilities in Norway
- ✓ Via Denmark

Investment Needs (4/6)



Need to increase the grid transfer capacity between Northern and Southern Germany



Windy day → evacuate exceeding wind power in Northern Germany



To consuming centers in Southern Germany and southern Europe

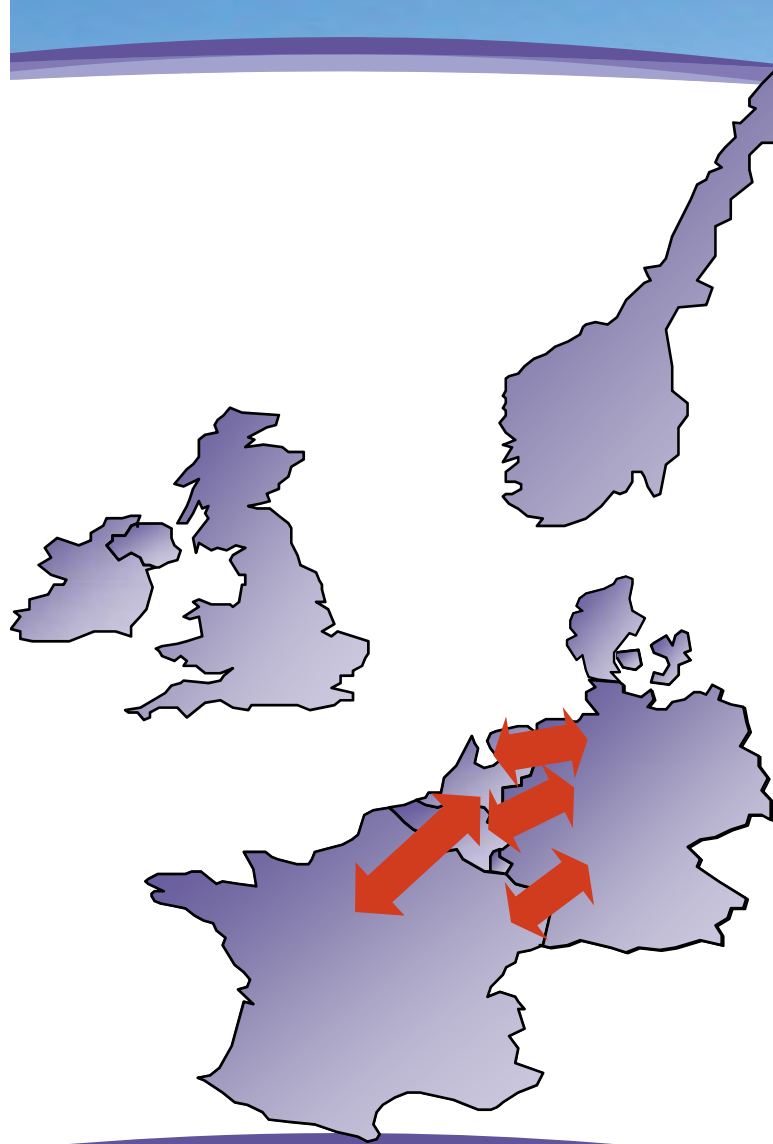


Export to maximum levels on sunny days (solar energy) → pumping during the day



Non-windy day → the German import increases

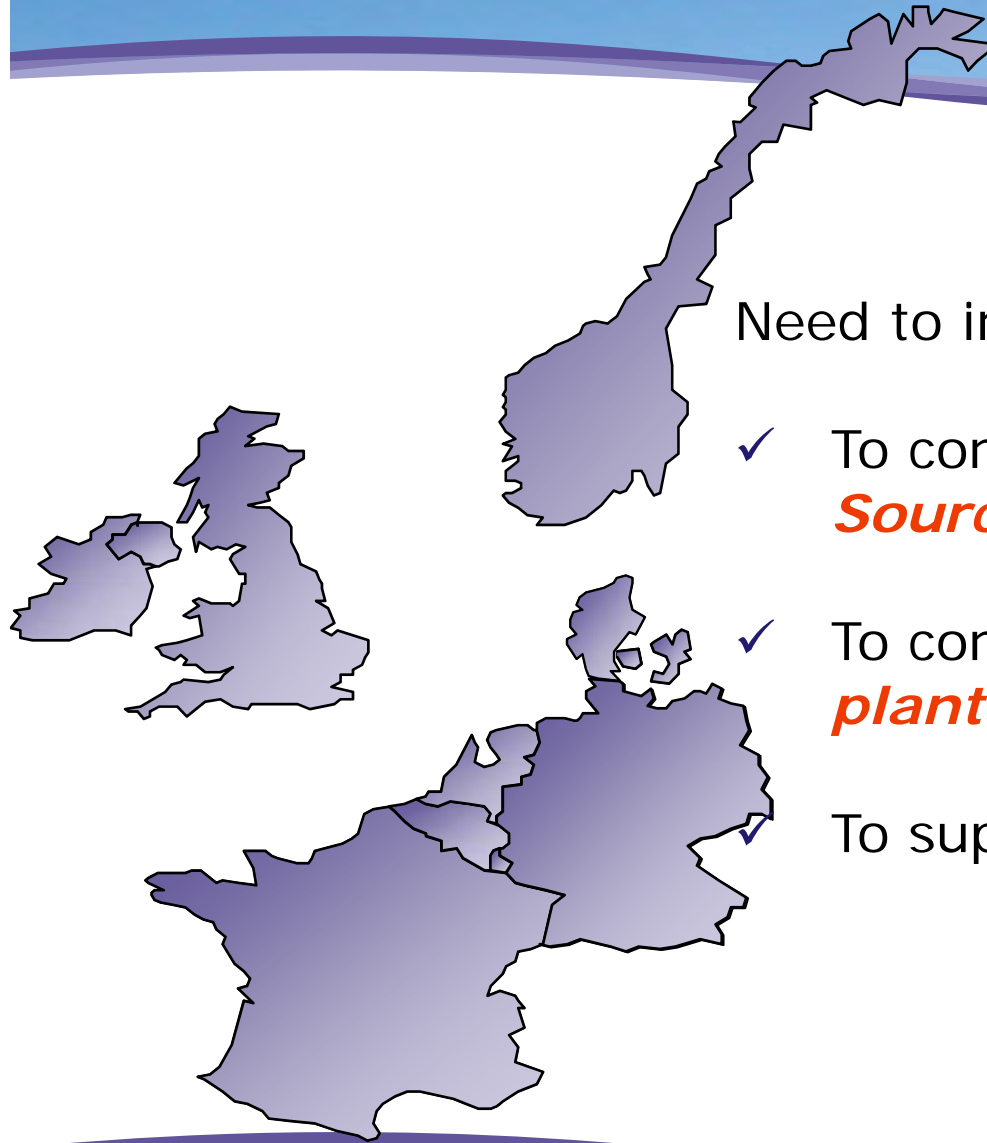
Investment Needs (5/6)



Need to increase the transport capacity between Germany, the Netherlands, Belgium, Luxemburg and France

- ✓ ***Windy day → evacuate exceeding wind power in Northern Germany***
 - ✓ To Benelux and France
 - ✓ With transit flows through Belgium and the Netherlands
- ✓ ***Non-windy day → transport energy from France (Nuclear)***
 - ✓ To Benelux and Germany
 - ✓ With transit flows through Belgium and the Netherlands

Investment Needs (6/6)



Need to increase the local grid capacity



To connect **Renewable Energy Sources**



To connect new **conventional power plants**

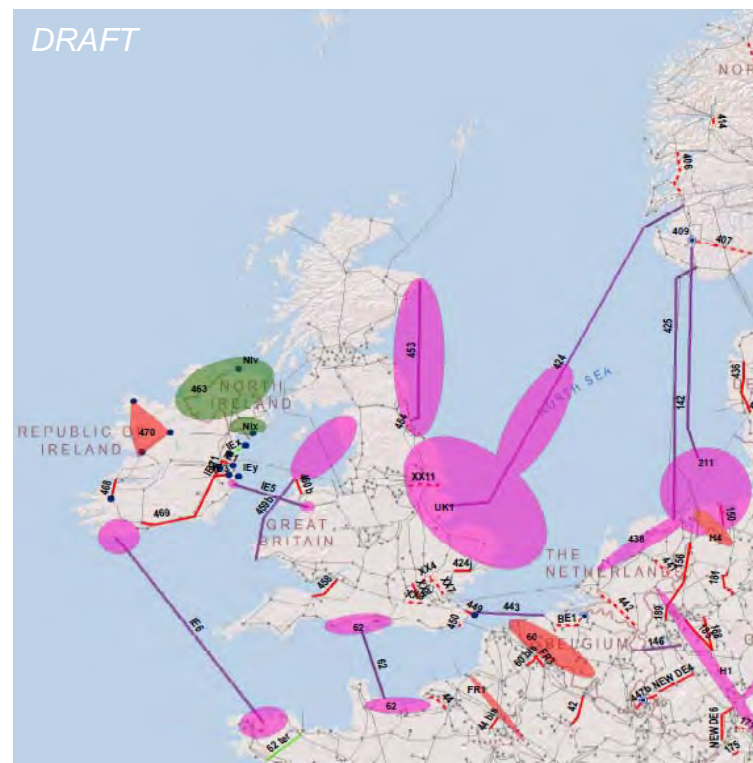
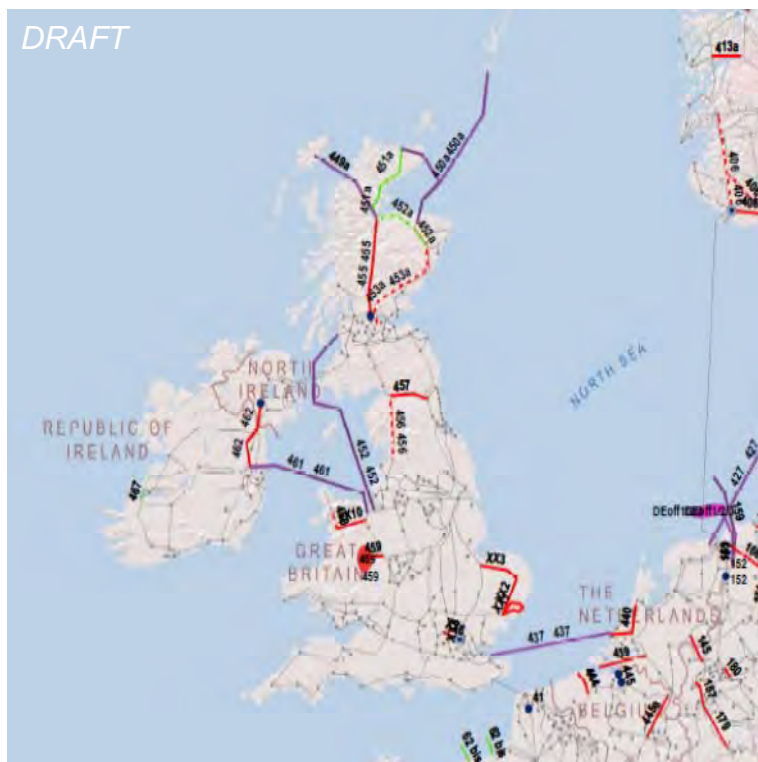


To support local **demand growth**

A tall, lattice-structured high-voltage power transmission tower stands against a clear blue sky. The tower is composed of a central vertical mast and several horizontal cross-arms, all made of metal lattice. Power lines are visible extending from the tower. The perspective is looking up at the tower, emphasizing its height.

Mid Term (2012-2016)

Long term (2017-2022)



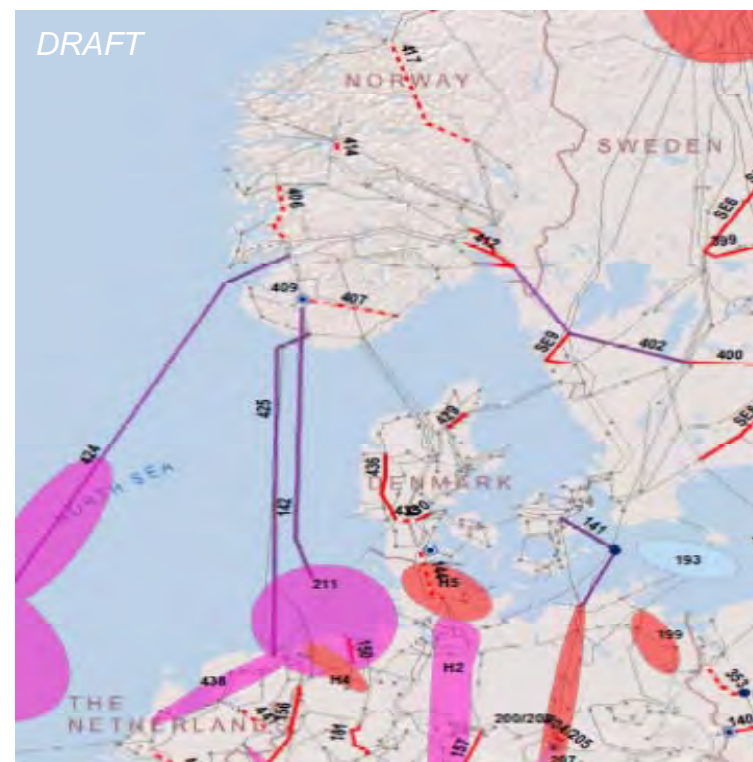
Increase of connectivity between the island of Ireland, Great Britain, Norway and Continental Europe

Main investments (2/4)

Mid Term (2012-2016)



Long term (2017-2022)



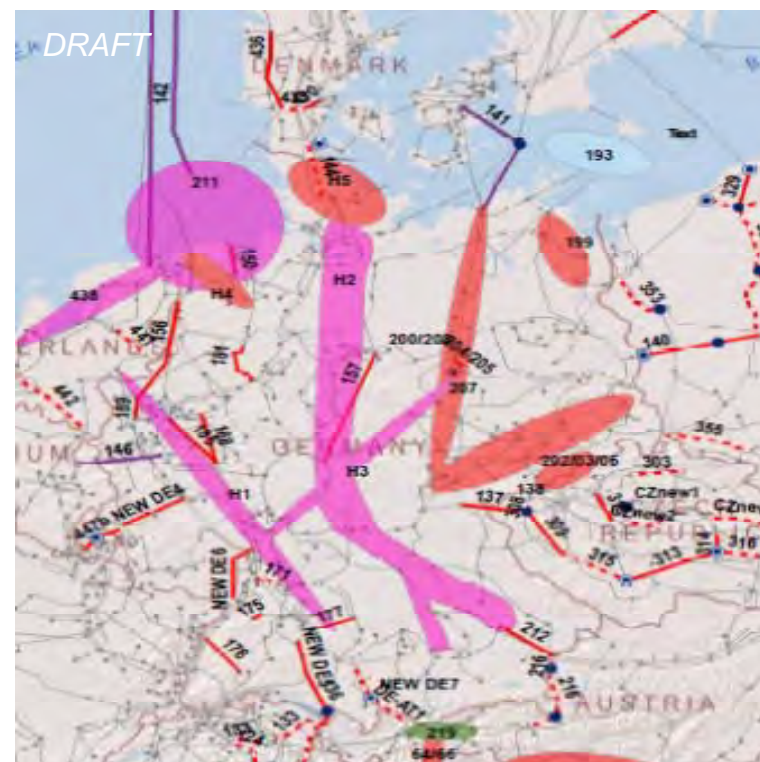
Increase of connectivity between former Nordel system and Continental Europe

Main investments (3/4)

Mid Term (2012-2016)



Long term (2017-2022)



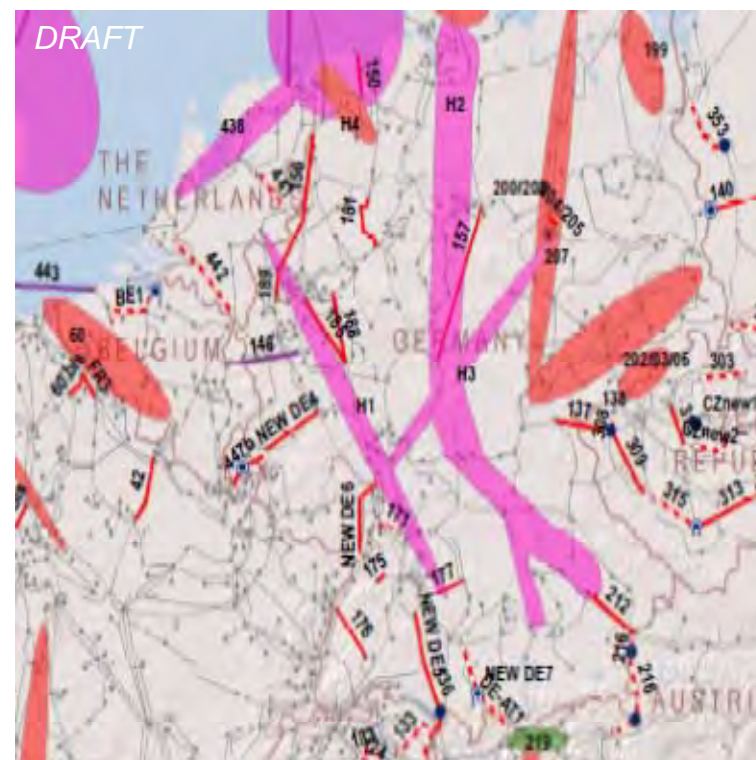
Increase of grid capacity between Northern and Southern Germany

Main investments (4/4)

Mid Term (2012-2016)



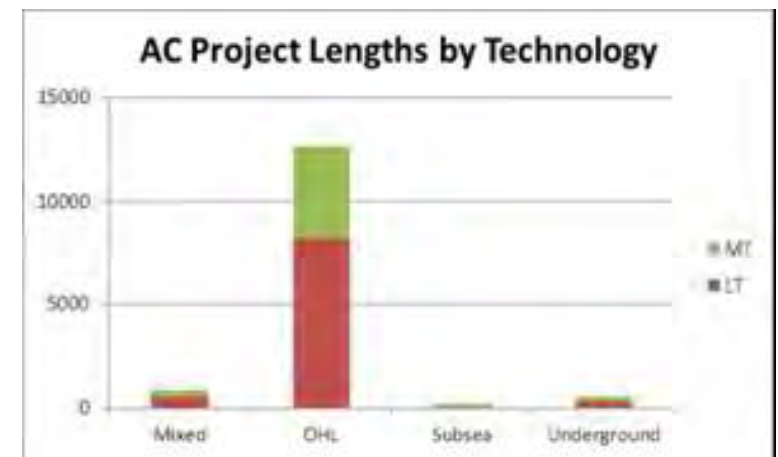
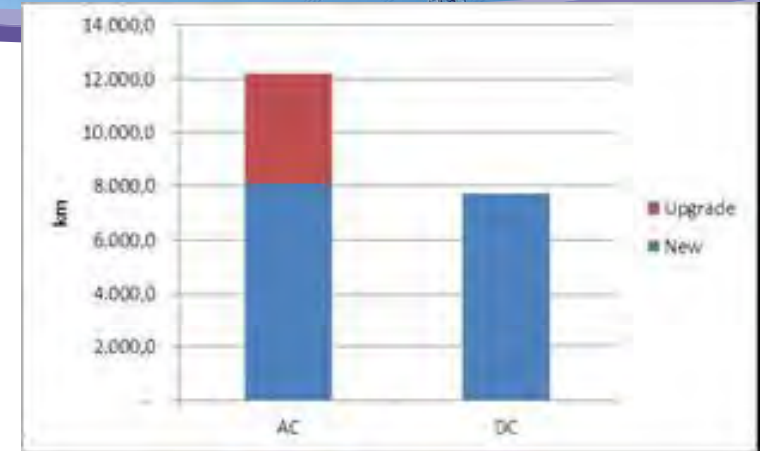
Long term (2017-2022)



Increase of transport capacity between France, Belgium, the Netherlands, Luxemburg and Germany

Environmental assessment

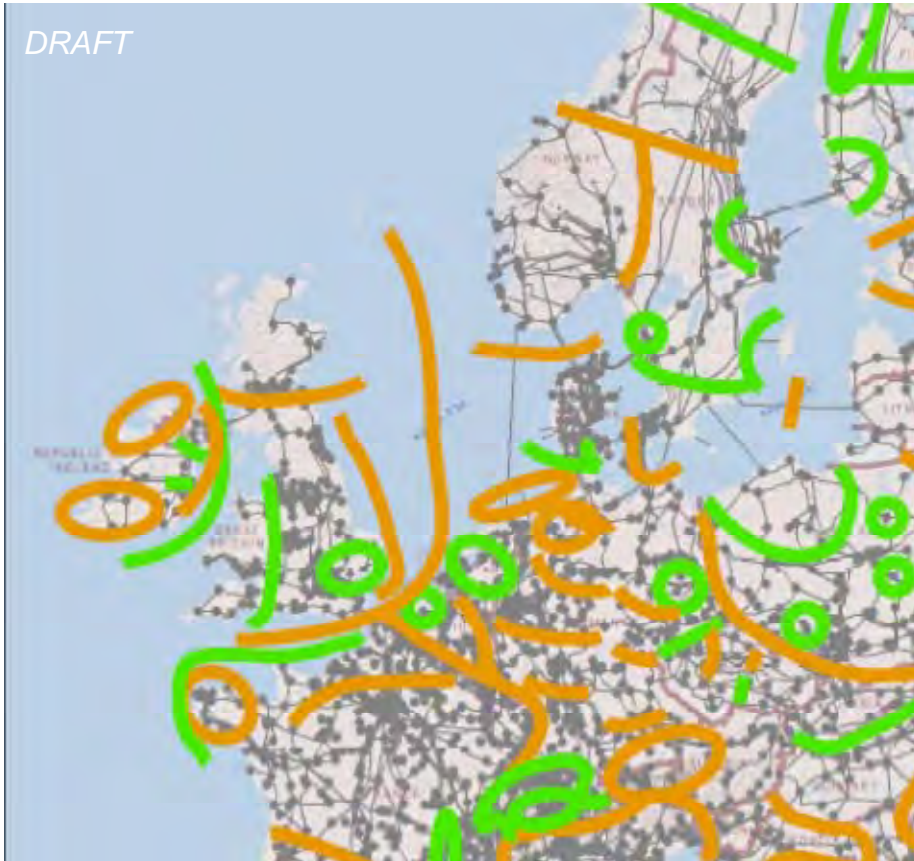
- Maximum use of the existing infrastructure : **upgrading** of existing lines when possible
- If some new links are necessary, they are mostly foreseen as **overhead** lines (>225 kV) as undergrounding is difficult over long distances, due to technical and economical reasons.
- Most of the new DC link are **underground or subsea**



Transmission adequacy



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Taking into account the scenarios and hypothesis of this Regional Investment Plan 2012-2022

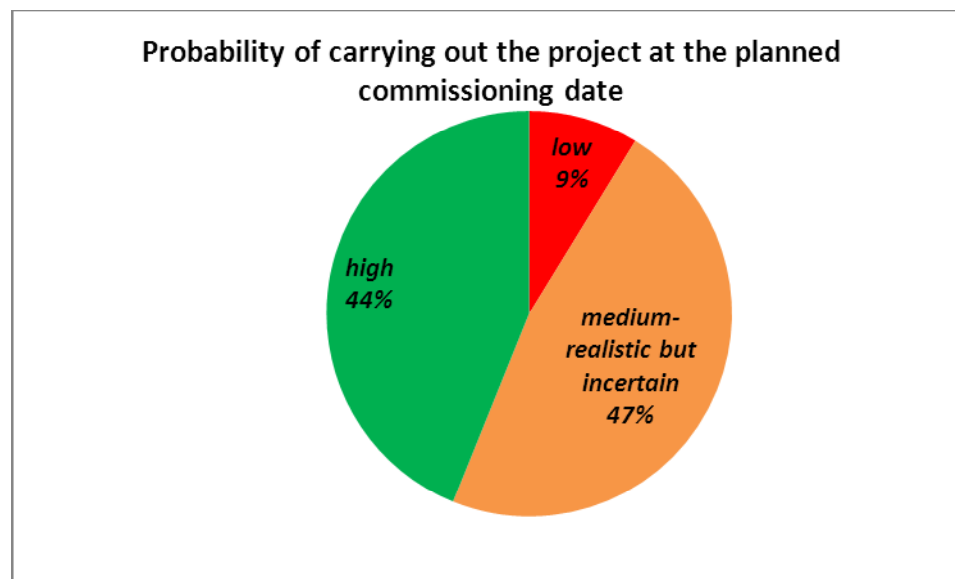
- ☐ **Green border:** no additional project is expected
- ☐ **Orange border:** additional project or congestion management may be needed
- ☐ **Red border:** additional investments are needed

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Challenges



- ❑ The RGNS Project Monitoring emphasises that a part of the TYNDP 2010 projects are subjected to **commissioning delays**.



- ❑ If energy and climate objectives have to be achieved, it is of the utmost importance to **smooth the authorisation processes**
- ❑ The EIP support that conclusion : by setting up the **one stop shop** principle by stating that the duration of the permit granting process shall **not exceed three years**.

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Challenges



- ❑ **Regarding financing the grid infrastructure**, the total investment needs in projects of European significance for the next 10 years amount to **~21 B€** in the North Sea Region.
- ❑ **Regarding regulation**: a regulatory **framework evolution** is a prerequisite to see a pan-regional off (on-) shore network further developing.
- ❑ It is dealt within the NSCOGI. It addresses mainly:
 - Support Schemes consistency
 - Treatment of the injected renewable energy
 - Balancing of systems subject to massive RES integration
 - Cost allocation based among other things on Cost/Benefits analysis
 - Possibility given to realise anticipatory investments
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