



Bringing flexibility provided  
by multi-energy  
carrier integration to a new  
**MAGNITUDE**

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# Why flexibility?

## Expected evolutions of the electricity system...

- EU targets: reduction of greenhouse gas emissions, integration of renewables, increased energy efficiency
- Electrification of energy usages (e.g. electric vehicles, heat demand, etc.)

**Risks in terms of:** quality and security of supply, congestion, system stability, curtailments, system adequacy, etc.

## Needs:

- **more flexibility and active involvement** of all the stakeholders at all levels
- service provision capabilities of **both centralized and decentralized resources** in a coordinated way (incl. consumers and producers resources).

## Enhanced synergies between different energy carriers:

- **provide flexibility** to the electricity system
- **drive efficiency** and **business innovation** in the energy sector



# The MAGNITUDE project

**Project target:** develop

- **optimization** and **coordination tools**
- **business** and **market mechanisms**

to provide **flexibility** to the European electricity system, by enhanced **synergies between electricity, gas and heating/cooling systems.**

- Support **cost-effective integration of renewables** and enhance **security of supply**
- Bring under a **common framework**, technical solutions, market design & business models
- Contribute to **ongoing policy discussions** in the energy field

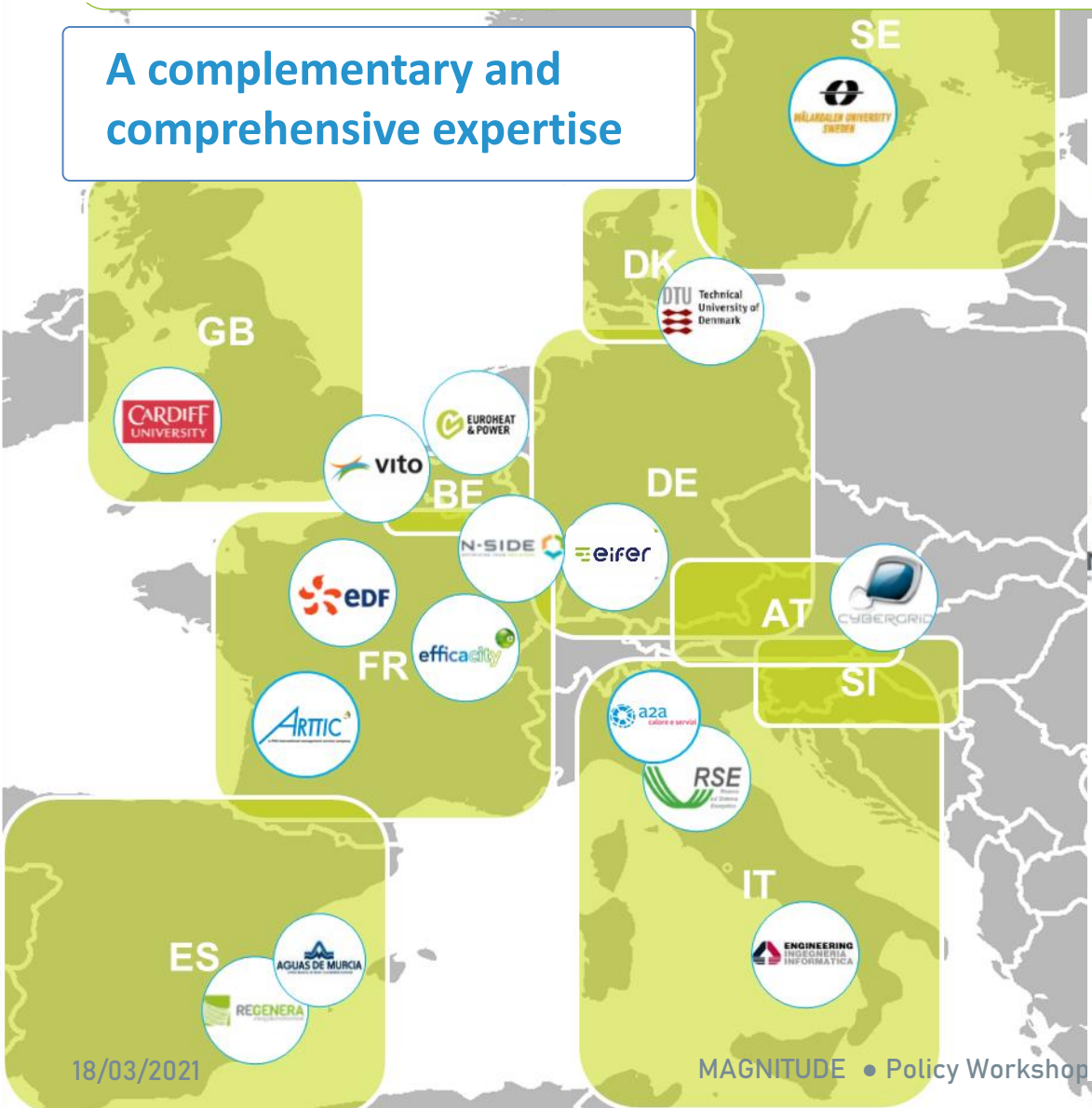
## **MAGNITUDE is a Horizon 2020 European project**

- Research and Innovation Action
- Duration: 10/2017 → 05/2021
- Coordinator: EDF
- EC funding: 4 M€



# Consortium: 16 partners from 9 countries

A complementary and comprehensive expertise



Organisation profile	
	International utility
	Retailer
	Industrial association
	Local multi utility
	Local utility
	Aggregation solution provider
	Data solution provider
	Market solution provider
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# Multi-energy systems: 7 real-life case studies

## Main MES categories

- Large industries
- District heating/cooling networks
- Distributed units

## 3 main flexibility levers

- Fuel shift
- Storage capability
- Demand response

## 7 countries

- Austria, Denmark, France, Italy, Spain, Sweden, United Kingdom



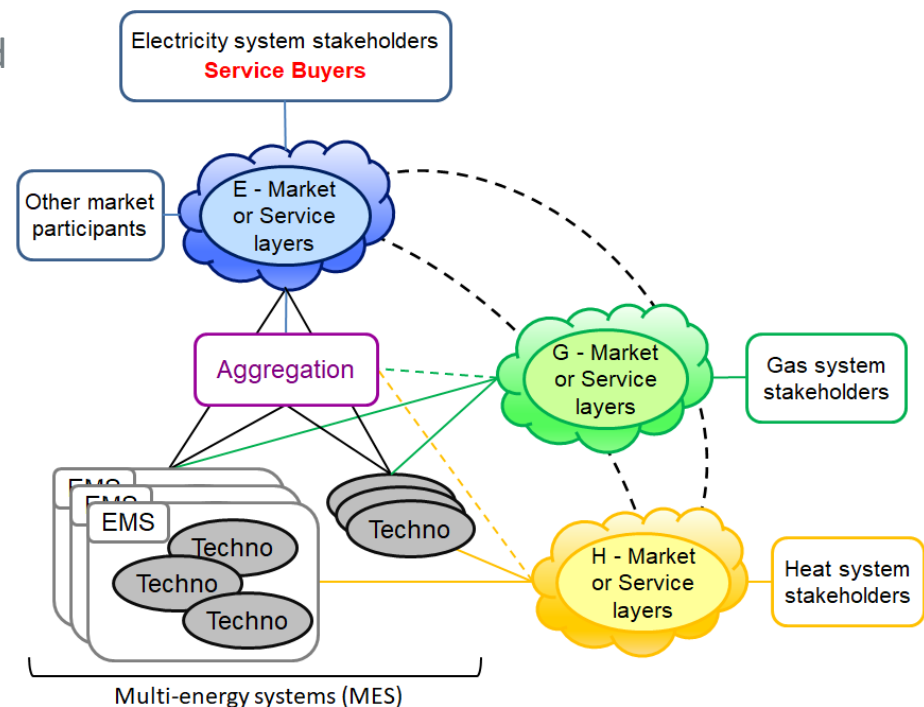
**Different** regulatory frameworks, core businesses, sector-coupling technologies, stakeholders and business models

<b>Mälarenergi</b> <b>Sweden</b>	District heating and cooling networks
<b>Paper mill</b> <b>Austria</b>	Integrated pulp and paper mill
<b>HOFOR</b> <b>Denmark</b>	Distributed units at consumers' + district heating network
<b>ACS</b> <b>Italy</b>	Milan district heating network
<b>Neath Port Talbot</b> , <b>UK</b>	Steel industry, CCGT and large RES
<b>EMUASA</b> <b>Spain</b>	Wastewater treatment plant
<b>Paris Saclay</b> <b>France</b>	District heating & cooling networks + distributed units in substations



# MAGNITUDE main results

- MAGNITUDE technical and commercial **functional architectures**
- **Flexibility services** provided by Multi-Energy Systems (MES) to electricity system
- **Flexibility capabilities** of cross-sector technologies and MESs
- **Simulation and optimization of control strategies** of technologies and MES to maximize flexibility provision
- **Aggregation** of flexibilities of decentralized MESs
- **Innovative market designs** for synergies maximization, implemented on a **market simulation platform**
- **Assessment of integrated system** (MES, aggregation, market)
- **Business models** for MES and aggregator
- Multi-energy **data hub**
- **Policy strategy and recommendations** in a pan-European perspective





## MAIN LESSONS LEARNT

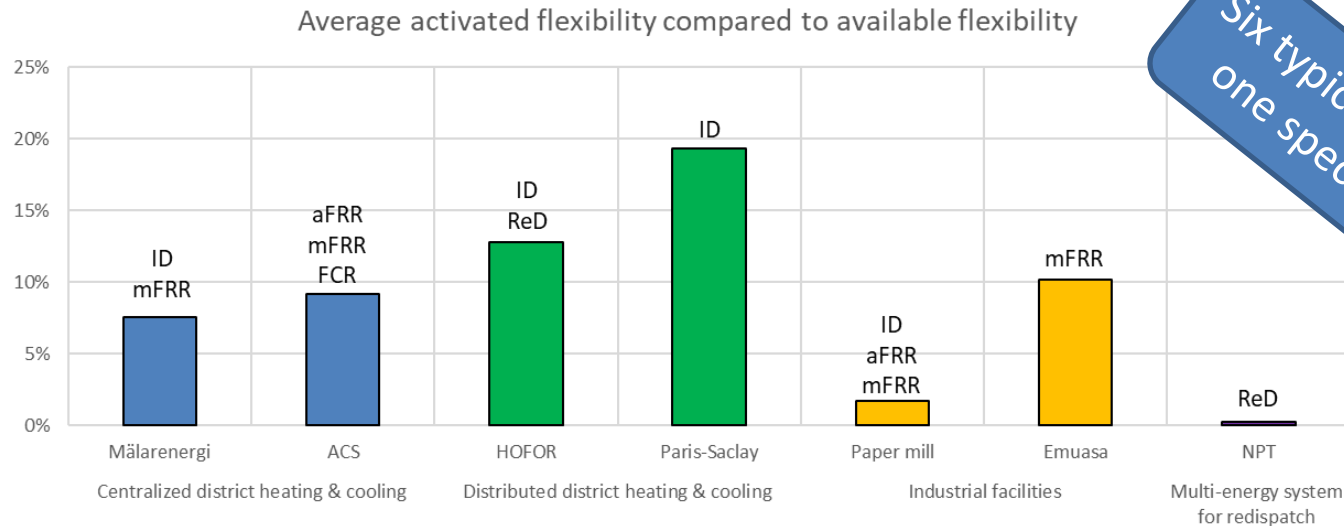


# Multi-energy systems can provide flexibility

- and already do so for some of the considered case studies (e.g. ACS, Austrian paper mill) most often through an “internal” or “external” aggregator

**Potential for MES** to participate in energy markets, frequency ancillary service procurement and congestion management in local markets

**Results show that flexibility provision strongly depends on technologies in MES site, the process and operation strategies**



Six typical weeks for one specific year





# Technological perspectives

**Technical limitations due to intrinsic flexibility capabilities** of technologies with respect to market products requirements (e.g., full activation time, minimum duration of service provision, symmetric product)

- Key characteristics need to be **known and monitored**
- **Integrated management** of different technologies at site level (EMS)
- **Aggregation** of MES and other resources

**Increased operating costs due to flexibility provision:**

- **Deviation/change in operation** plan can lead to increased operating costs
- Participation if **sufficient remuneration** to cover extra costs

**Priority to satisfy the needs of the main/core process**, e.g. supply heat or cooling to consumers, produce paper or steel, treat wastewater, etc.



# Technological perspectives

## Introduction or increase of storage (heat, cooling, steam, gas)

- **Increases flexibility capability:** [add a few %] to [multiply by > 5]
- Oversizing may reduce profitability → **compromise** to be found

## District heating and cooling:

- **Highly seasonal nature** with strong constraints for some seasons

## Long-term operation efficiency

- Limitation of the **lifetime of the equipment** (e.g. frequent starts and stops and load ramps)

## Interconnections with external networks

- Capacity of the networks may impose limitations on **the maximum amount of power** that the MES can exchange



# Markets & service procurement mechanisms

**Similarities between countries for day-ahead & intraday energy markets** in electricity system but still **country specificities**

**Large diversity for balancing and frequency regulation services**

- market clearing, product definitions (FAT, bid duration, minimum bid size, ...)
- **harmonization initiatives of TSOs** (FCR cooperation, PICASSO, MARI, TERRE)

**Even larger diversity for capacity requirement mechanisms and congestion management**

**Rather heterogeneous situations for gas markets and heat networks**

- For heat networks from **one area to the other** and **from one MES to the other**.
  - **No unbundling, no “organized market”** as such, **inherently local systems**

**Very fast evolving field!**

➔ Account for **specificities both at national and local scales** and closely monitor **evolutions**



# Markets & service procurement mechanisms

## Rules or requirements limiting service provision by MES in some countries

- Restrictions on **some technologies** or **aggregation**, high **thresholds** to access some markets

## Intraday market issues in some countries

- Lack of liquidity
- Insufficient difference with respect to day-ahead market prices

## Remuneration of frequency regulation services

- **Remuneration only for energy** activated by TSO → risk for providers
- **Remuneration of capacity and energy** (hybrid markets)

## Increased costs due to network tariffs, retail prices, taxes,...

- Price of energy plus other costs: network charges, taxes, charges/contribution for RES

## Need for improved:

- **Compatible incentive schemes**, (e.g. DSOs; RES support schemes vs flexibility provision)
- **Coordination between network operators**: (e.g. DSOs and TSOs; between energy carriers)
- Attractiveness of **flexibility remuneration**



# Stakeholders

**Similar roles in electricity, gas, heating & cooling systems:**

→ synergies between the three sectors

**But different characteristics for system operation and market aspects**

- time constants, inherent resilience, dynamic behaviours
- operation needs and requirements
- gate closures, etc.

**Large diversity of stakeholders with deeply different professional culture**

- **Complexity and multiplicity** of interactions/transactions
- Increased complexity of business processes
- Needs for awareness raising, learning and training

Roles
Producer
Consumer
Transmission network operator
Distribution network operator
Balance responsible
Supplier
Storage provider
Metering-related roles
Regulator
...



# Innovative market designs

## With decoupled energy carrier markets

- Physical and economic **dependencies** not explicitly taken into account
- Imperfect forecasts can lead to **loss of profit** for conversion technologies, and **lost opportunity** for market participants.

## With integrated multi-carrier day ahead market

- **Dependencies** between various carriers explicitly considered
- New order types and constraints allow market participants **to describe their technical limitations and cost structures**
- **Economic efficiency** can be increased

## However

- **Higher computational time**
- **More information** to be shared with the market operator
- **Organizational changes** are required
- **Cost-benefit analysis** of possible implementations is required



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# **EU GREEN DEAL: WHAT NEXT FOR SECTOR INTEGRATION?**

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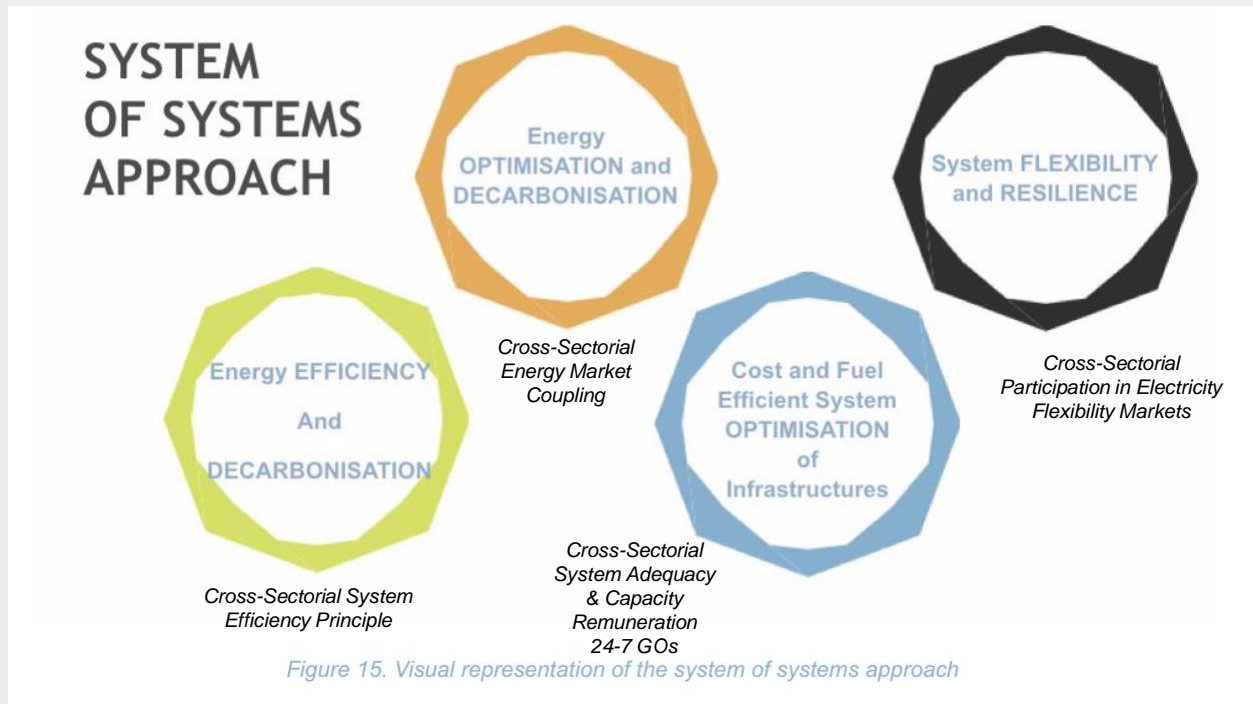
# Introduction to ETIP SNET new Sector Coupling Whitepaper

**Laurent SCHMITT, Vice-Chair**  
**March 18<sup>th</sup>, 2021**

# Sectorial Integration Challenges

- **Multi-vector heterogeneous sector coupling**
  - Power, gas, heat and liquid fuels, transportation, etc...
- **Bi-directional renewable integration in power & Cross Sectorial decarbonation**
  - Increased renewable share in the Power system through seasonal storage, decarbonation of flexibility services supplied to the Power Grids
- **Very different technology readiness levels**
  - Electrical technologies (e.g. within heating, PV, storage and EVs) have high TRLs while new e-fuels require research, development and demonstration
- **Regulations need to be aligned and further developed to support cross sectorial system efficiency & decarbonation**

# New System of Systems approach



Strategic Cross-Sectorial Optimization Objectives

# Key Policy Recommendations

- **Foster cross-sector and cross-countries level playing fields, removing unnecessary or double taxation on electricity, incentivising Power-to-X solutions.**
- **Encourage stakeholder cooperation through multisided cross sectorial platforms while coupling them to a revamped EU Emission Trading Scheme**
- **Boost electricity and gas sector integration for new products such as electrolytic hydrogen and renewable gases to be traded through an updated European gas market.**
- **Develop new ICT backbones / digital integration layers to support the new system of system approach, develop an harmonized cross sectorial role models and APIs across sectors**

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# WHAT NEXT FOR SECTOR INTEGRATION?

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## A PURPOSE TO GUIDE EDF



« Build a net zero energy future  
with electricity and innovative  
solutions and services



to help save the planet and  
drive wellbeing and economic  
development »



## Sector integration: how to make it happen?

- Prioritise direct electrification and foster innovative electric solutions for consumers
- Level playing field for all flexibility providers and key role of hydropower as flexible renewable and mature storage technology
- Clear definitions and framework for renewable and low carbon hydrogen based on GHG emissions throughout the production process
- Energy taxation principles which reflect the contribution of energy carriers to climate change;

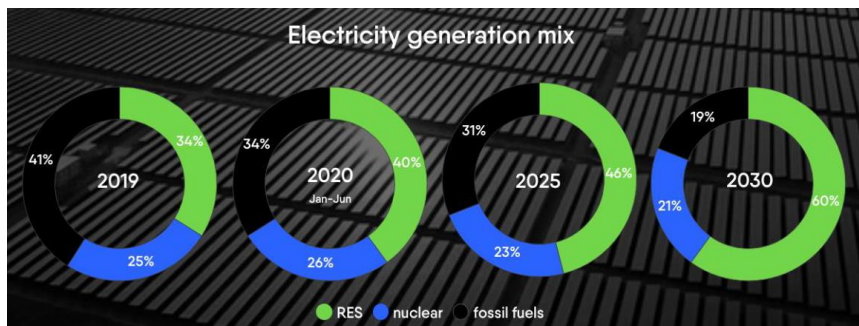
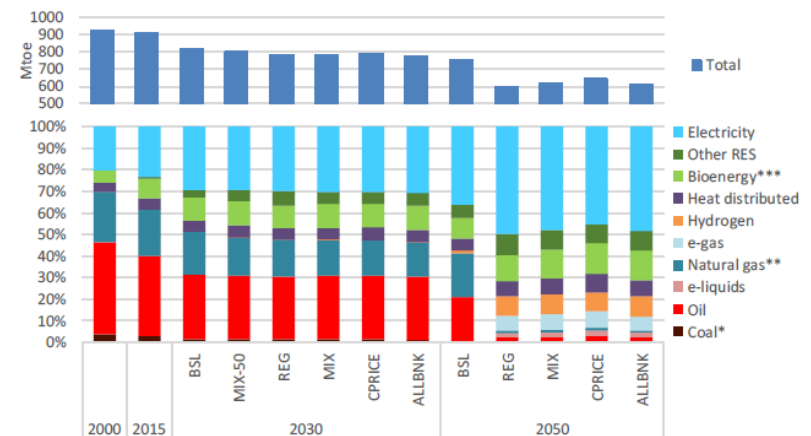


Figure 6: Final energy demand by energy carrier





## Sector integration in real life - Flexitanie, the first large-scale V2G project in the Occitania region, aims at the deployment of 100 V2G EVSEs.



- EDF, the Occitania region and ADEME are joining forces to **build the largest virtual battery based on electric vehicles** in France with the **deployment of 100 V2G EVSEs** and compatible Nissan vehicles in companies in the region.
- After a 12-month roll-out (July 20-June 21), EVSEs will be operated by DREEV during 3 years **to provide services to the grid.**
- EDF and ADEME will monitor the project to **measure the integration of the V2G solution in companies** in the region, to **remove obstacles to its deployment** and to **study its positive impact for the development of renewable energies** in the Occitania region.





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# ENERGY INTEGRATION: FROM POLICY TO ACTION

## Session 2: What's the status on the ground? A local perspective

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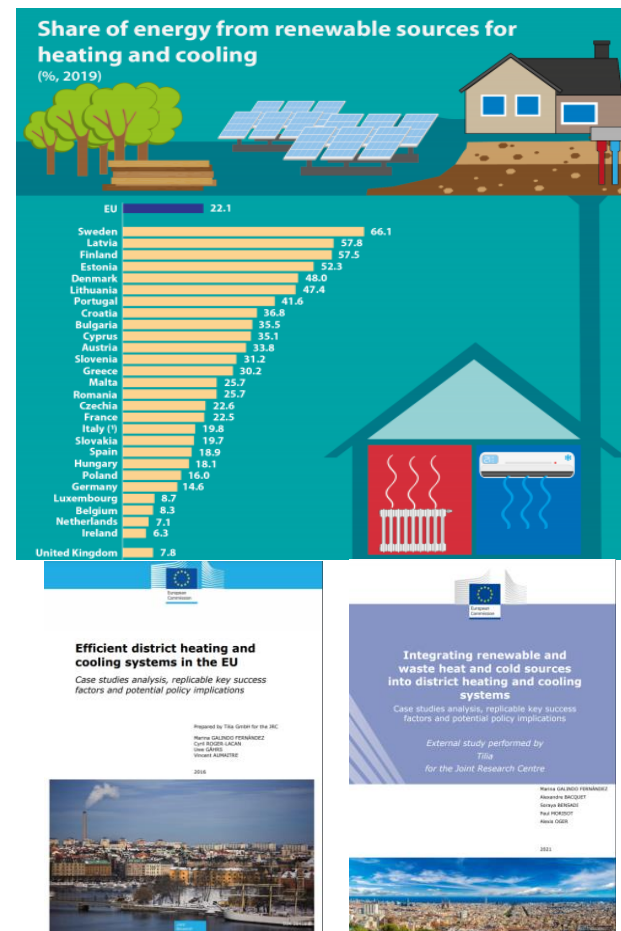
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# DECARBONISING HEATING AND COOLING, AN EU PRIORITY

## THE KEY ROLE OF DHC: FROM ACTION TO POLICY

- **Heating and cooling (H&C)** has been given a more important role in the new EU energy transition strategy established by the EU Green Deal and its associated communications
- **District heating and cooling (DHC)** is one of the main infrastructures allowing decarbonisation through smart sector integration, and often proves the strongest leverage at local level for deep energy decarbonisation
  - Efficient integration of a wide range of renewable energy sources (RES) and (excess) waste heat and cold sources
  - Energy efficiency in buildings
  - Evolutive systems
  - Flexibility to the electricity grid
- **Public and policy awareness on DHC advantages and DHC uptake remains low in the EU**, while countries where this solution has been largely adopted are amongst the best performers in H&C decarbonisation
- ➔ **Science-to-Policy studies for the JRC on how RES and waste heat and/or cold sources can be integrated into DHC networks**  
(from case studies, including Tilia projects)



# INTEGRATING RES AND WASTE H&C SOURCES INTO DISTRICT HEATING & COOLING SYSTEMS

## Decarbonising H&C in districts and communities

### DHC grids as a backbone to...









































- ☐ Develop sustainable and evolutive local energy strategies
- ☐ Use local and renewable energy sources, including excess heat/cold and surplus RE
- ☐ Value synergies across sectors and energy carriers
- ☐ Build collaborative models and empower energy communities
- ☐ Supply sustainable cooling

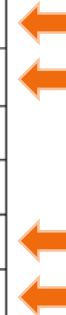
### Case studies

- 1 Taarnby (DK)
- 2 Jægerspris (DK)
- 3 Paris-Saclay (FR)
- 4 Mieres (ES)
- 5 Barcelona (ES)
- 6 Hamburg (DE)
- 7 Vilnius (LT)
- 8 Milan (IT)
- 9 Gothenburg (SE)

Interviews contributing to the Conclusion, but no in-depth study in the report



Country	Case Study	Installed capacity	Renewable Energy Sources	Waste Heat/Cold Sources	RES share
	 Taarnby DHC	DH: 60 MW DC: 6.5 MW	 Renewable electricity  Thermal storage  Biomass	 Ambient energy (Wastewater)	91%
	 Jægerspris DH	20.1 MW	 Solar thermal  Thermal storage  Ambient energy (from the air)	 CHP (gas-fuelled)	56%
	 Paris-Saclay DHC	DH: 37 MW DC: 10 MW	 Geothermal energy	 Data centers  Laboratory	60%
	 Mieres DH	4.1 MW	 Geothermal energy from a closed colliery		98%
	 Barcelona-Districtclima DHC	DH: 79 MW DC: 113 MW	 Renewable electricity  Thermal storage  Ambient energy (from the sea)	 Waste-to-energy	91%
	 Hafencity DH (Hamburg)	28,3 MW	 Biogas	 Industrial heat  Thermal storage	90%
	 Vilnius DH	1,707 MW	 Biomass	<u>In 2021</u>  Waste-to-energy	55%
	 Milan DHC	DH: 901 MW DC: 7,5 MW	 Geothermal energy	 Industrial heat  Waste-to-energy	68%



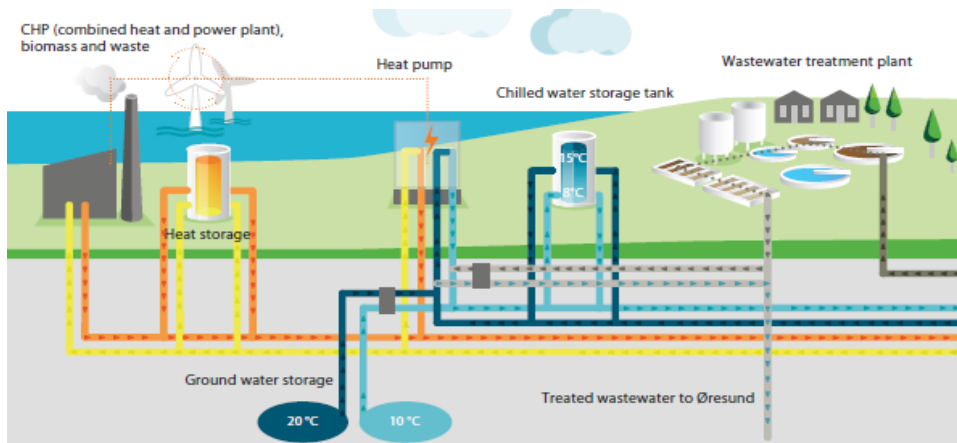
Examples of decarbonization synergies with the electricity and gas sectors

### Link to report:

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# CASE STUDY TAARNBY(GREATER COPENHAGEN)

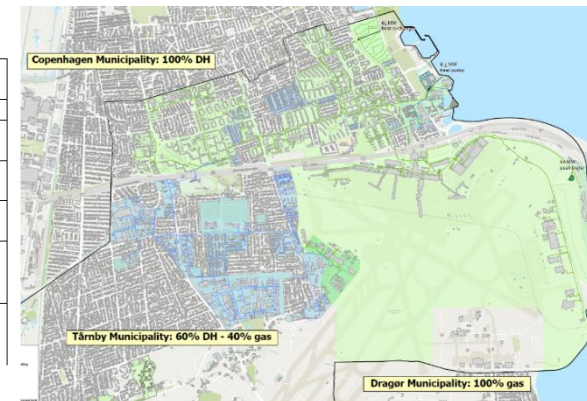
## Smart sector integration of heating, cooling, electricity and water



### Key facts and figures\*

DH market share	100 % of the supplied area
RES share	91 %
CO <sub>2</sub> emissions (heating)	61 Kg/MWh
Installed capacity	DC: 6.5 MW DH: 60 MW
Energy production	DC: 3.5 GWh/y DH: 45 GWh/y
Km network (double-pipe)	DH: 28 km DC: 1.5 km
Supply/return temperature	DH: 75-80/45 °C DC: 8/16 °C

\* Phase 1, CO<sub>2</sub> including CO<sub>2</sub> from waste



### Some Key Features of Taarnby DHC system

- ✓ **High local value creation** (20-year socio-economic internal rate of return = 41%)
- ✓ **Synergies of combined heating and cooling**, even higher when combined with the ground source cooling (Aquifer Thermal Energy Storage - ATEs)
- ✓ **Synergies with the wastewater treatment plant**: waste heat recovery, hosting the energy plant ("smart cities have smart backyards")
- ✓ **Thermal storage systems** (chilled water tank, ATEs, and storage facilities within Greater Copenhagen's system) enable DHC to act as a **flexible electricity consumer**
- ✓ Optimal operation taking into account **electricity price signals**

### Barriers for Sector Integration in Denmark

- **Building regulations** favouring individual solutions at building level (through Primary Energy Factors), and requiring additional thermal insulation for buildings connected to DHC
- **Electricity taxes for heating and comfort cooling**, recently reduced in Denmark, where 50% of the electricity is based in RES
- **Electricity tariffs not valuing demand response**, e.g. connection fees for electric boilers are the same as for non-flexible consumers
- **Uncertain future for CHP plants** (no capacity market), which today provide balancing services and complement heat pumps




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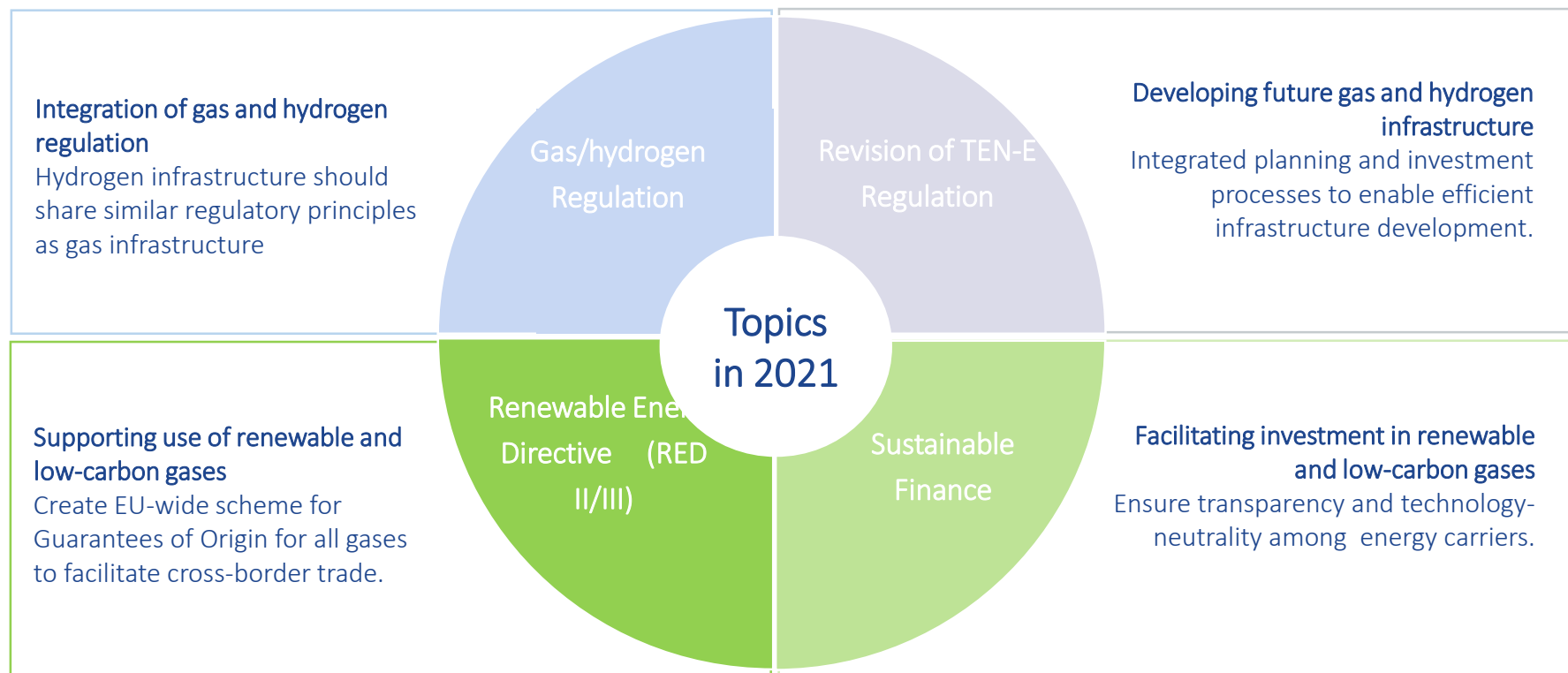
# Magnitude – Energy Integration: From Policy to Action

## What's the status on the ground?

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# Regulatory Challenges for Sector Integration in 2021



# ENTSOE's Engagement in the Energy Transition

European Clean Hydrogen Alliance	TYNDP Scenarios	Advisory Panel for Future Gas Grids	Prime Mover Group – Guarantees of Origin
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Coordination of Round Table on Transmission and Distribution</li> <li>• Working with business/ industrial partners on EU Hydrogen Strategy</li> <li>• Efficient funding of key strategic projects</li> <li>• Identification of barriers for project progress – financially, regulatory etc.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Joint development of scenarios with ENTSO-E</li> <li>• Joint Stakeholder Forum for Scenarios</li> <li>• Updating CBA methodology</li> <li>• ENTSOG &amp; ENTSO-E Interlinked Model</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• How to decarbonise the gas grids?</li> <li>• Discussion of key issues facing gas infrastructure</li> <li>• Exchange with stakeholders across gas value chain</li> <li>• Develop consensus and identify challenges</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Supporting creation of harmonised EU-wide GO system</li> <li>• Develop role of TSOs in the GO system</li> </ul>
			Prime Mover Group – Gas Quality and Hydrogen
			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Improving uptake of hydrogen in gas grids</li> <li>• Forum for exchange on projects and research</li> </ul>



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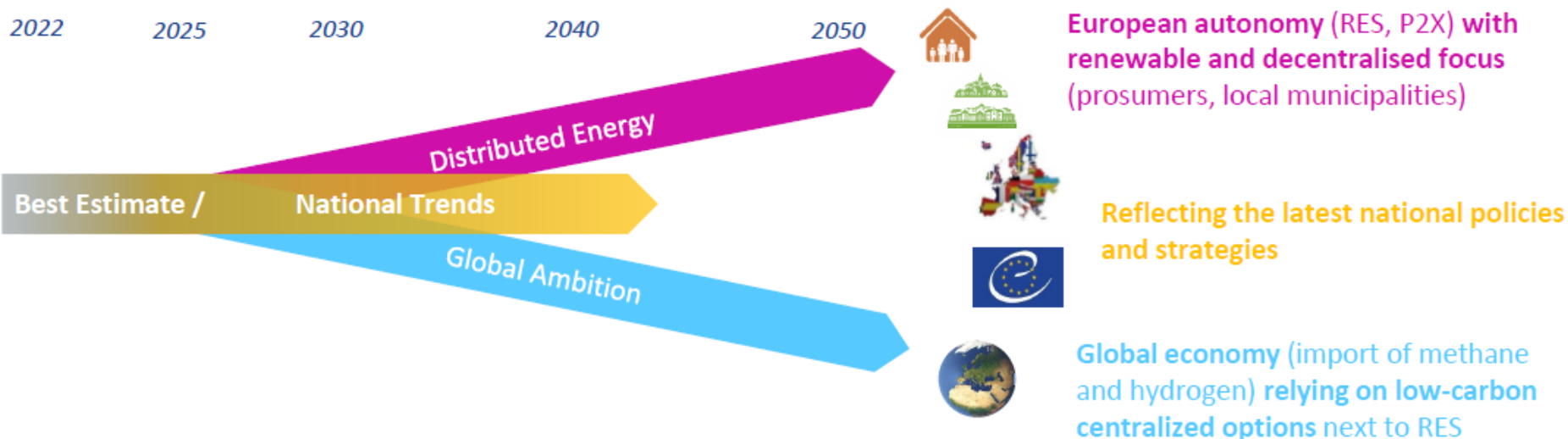


## Sector coupling in TYNDP Scenarios

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# TYNDP 2022 Scenarios joint development by ENTSO-E and ENTSG



Reaching carbon neutrality with a high RES share induces more sector coupling as a way:

- To reduce emissions in hard to abate sectors
- To provide an additional flexibility source

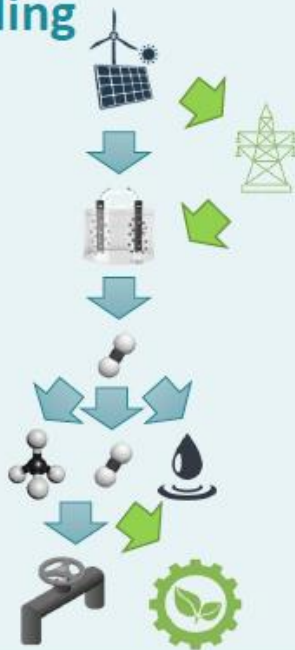
Combining higher RES share and lower imports likely reinforce the role of sector coupling



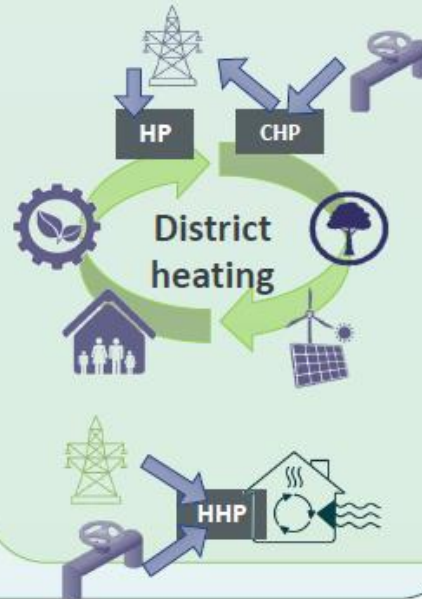
# The many dimensions of sector coupling

## Energy carrier coupling

- Gas-fired power generation
- Wide range of electrolysis configurations
- Modelling H2 infrastructures (network and storage)



Power-to-Heat, CHP and Hybrid HP at the crossroad



## Distribution scale

Capturing Solar / Battery / EV / prosumers / DSR at distribution scale





## We are already in action with challenges ahead

### TYNDP 2020 Scenarios

19% DH market share with a biomass focus in DE and HP focus in GA



### TYNDP 2022 Scenarios

Draft storyline report proposes a range as wide as 15-35%  
Climatic flexibility of district heating HP should be captured

Sector coupling aims at unlocking potential for further optimization of the energy system

Even at prospective study level, identifying and modelling sector coupling is not for free:

- The identification of the partners having the knowledge
- Setting the appropriate way of working and expert resources on both sides
- A smart modelling approach to avoid adding up the complexities of each sector
- Representative data at European perimeter with at least country granularity

District heating, gas and electricity transmission associations have engaged in this challenging and stimulating path to ensure long term and continuous progress

Thank you for your attention

