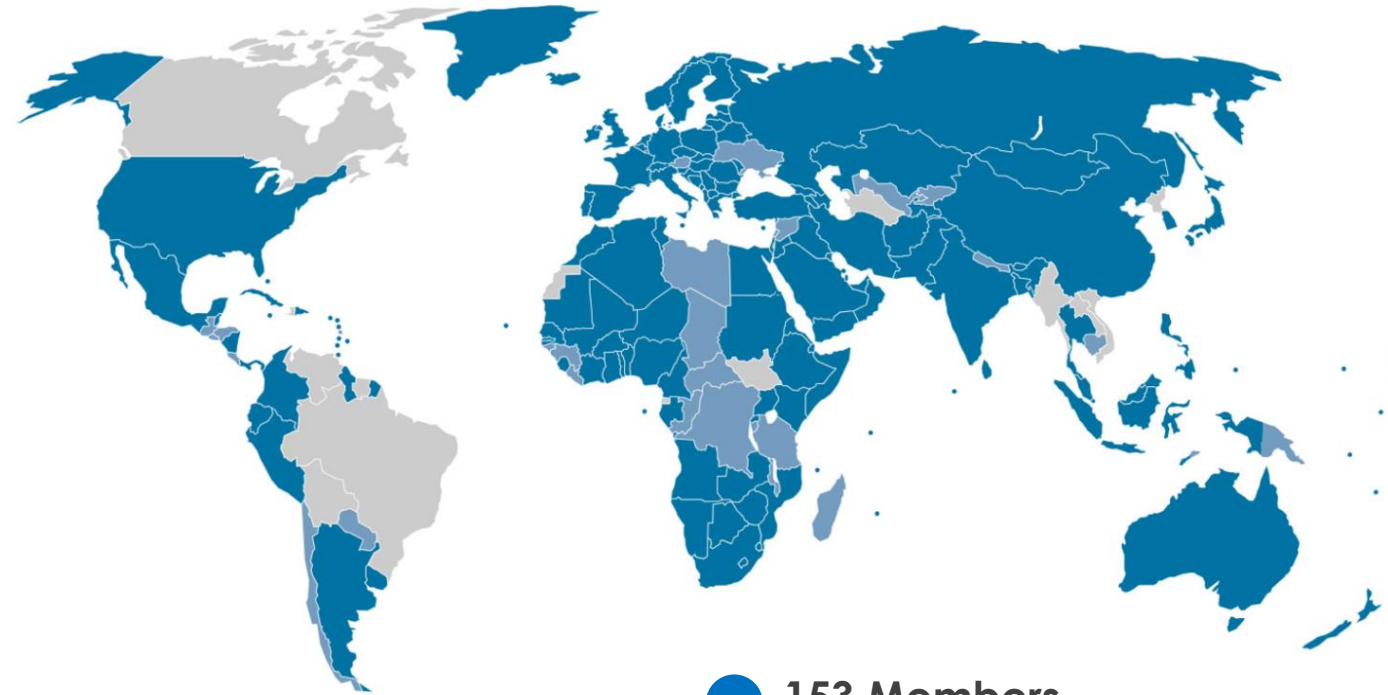


Innovation Driving the Energy Sector Transformation

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Mandate: Assist countries to accelerate renewable energy deployment

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The energy transition



UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)

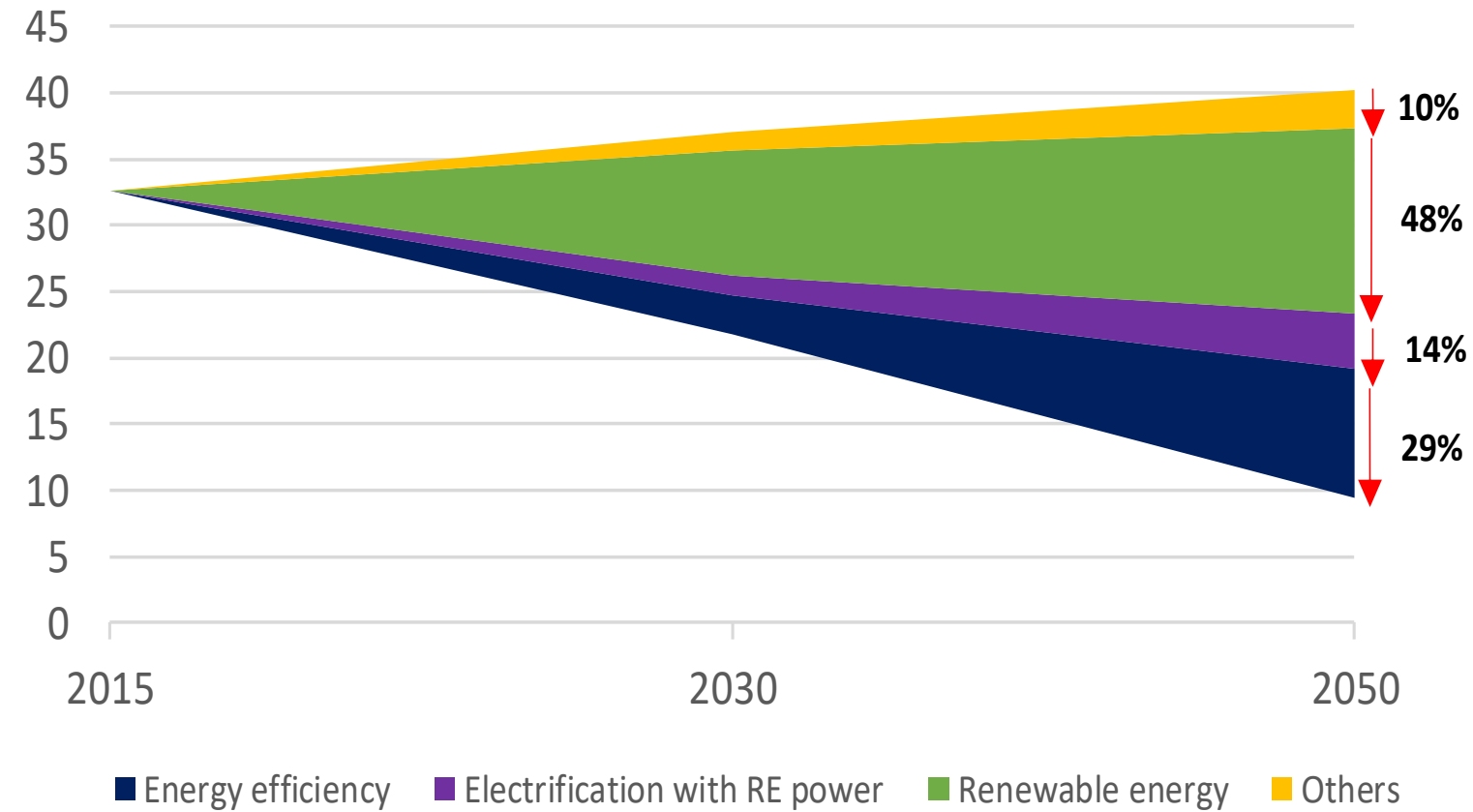
Source: IRENA (2017) Rethinking Energy

We need cleaner, affordable, local and abundant sources of energy

Energy accounts for two-thirds of total greenhouse gas emissions

To meet 2°C climate target set at COP 23 in Paris 2015

Total energy CO₂ emissions from all sectors (Gt CO₂/yr)

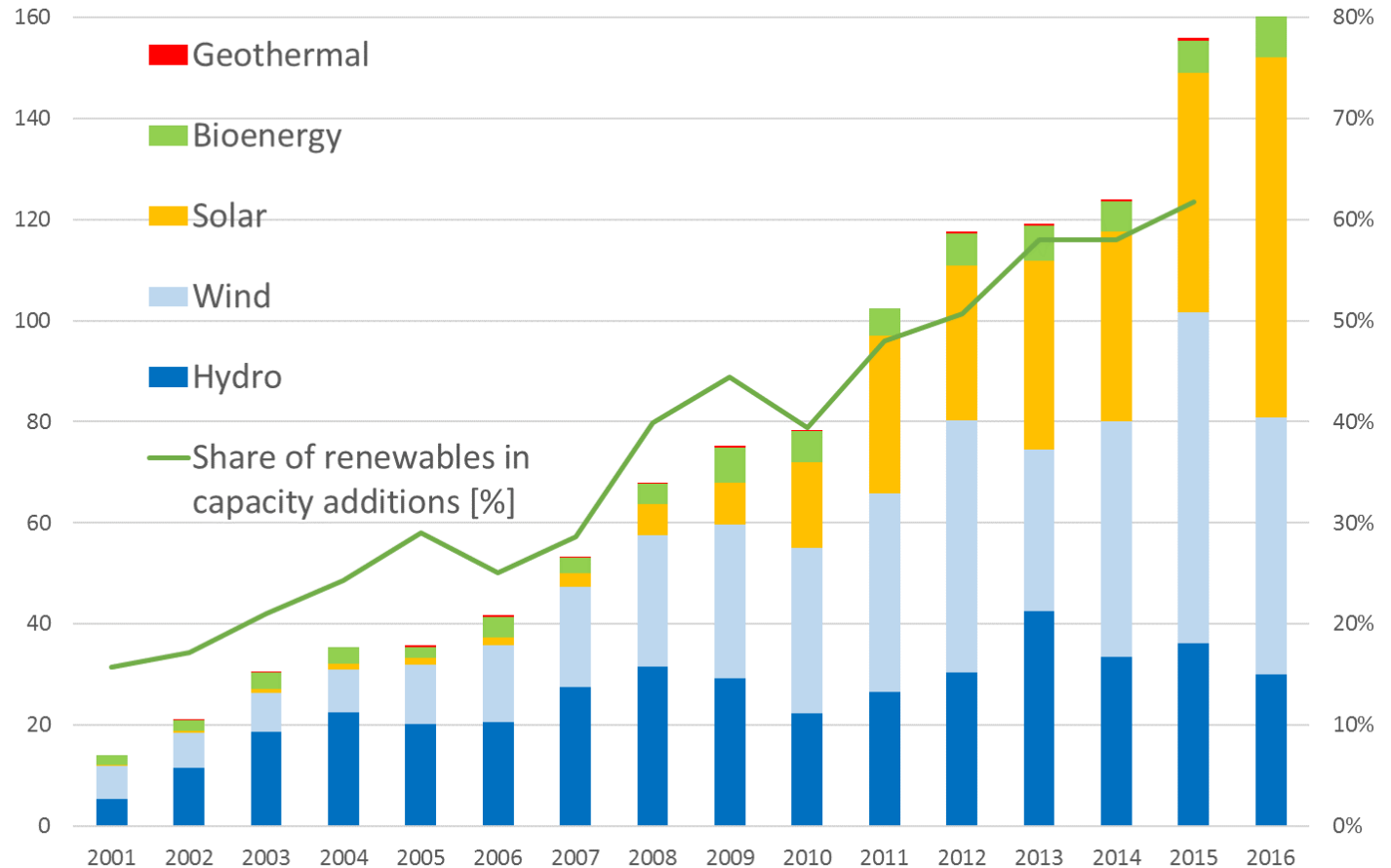


- Carbon intensity of energy:
 - needs to fall by 85% in 2015-2050
- Energy-emission budget:
 - 790 Gt CO₂ from 2015 till 2100
 - *At current emissions rate, carbon budget would be consumed by 2040*
 - RE and EE can achieve 90% of emission reductions needed by 2050

2016 - A record year for renewable power

- 162 GW of RE installed – 71 GW solar, 51 GW wind, 30 GW hydro, 9 GW bioenergy, 1 GW geothermal
- RE cumulative capacity > 2,000 GW
 - Despite low oil prices
- 164 countries with RE policies in place

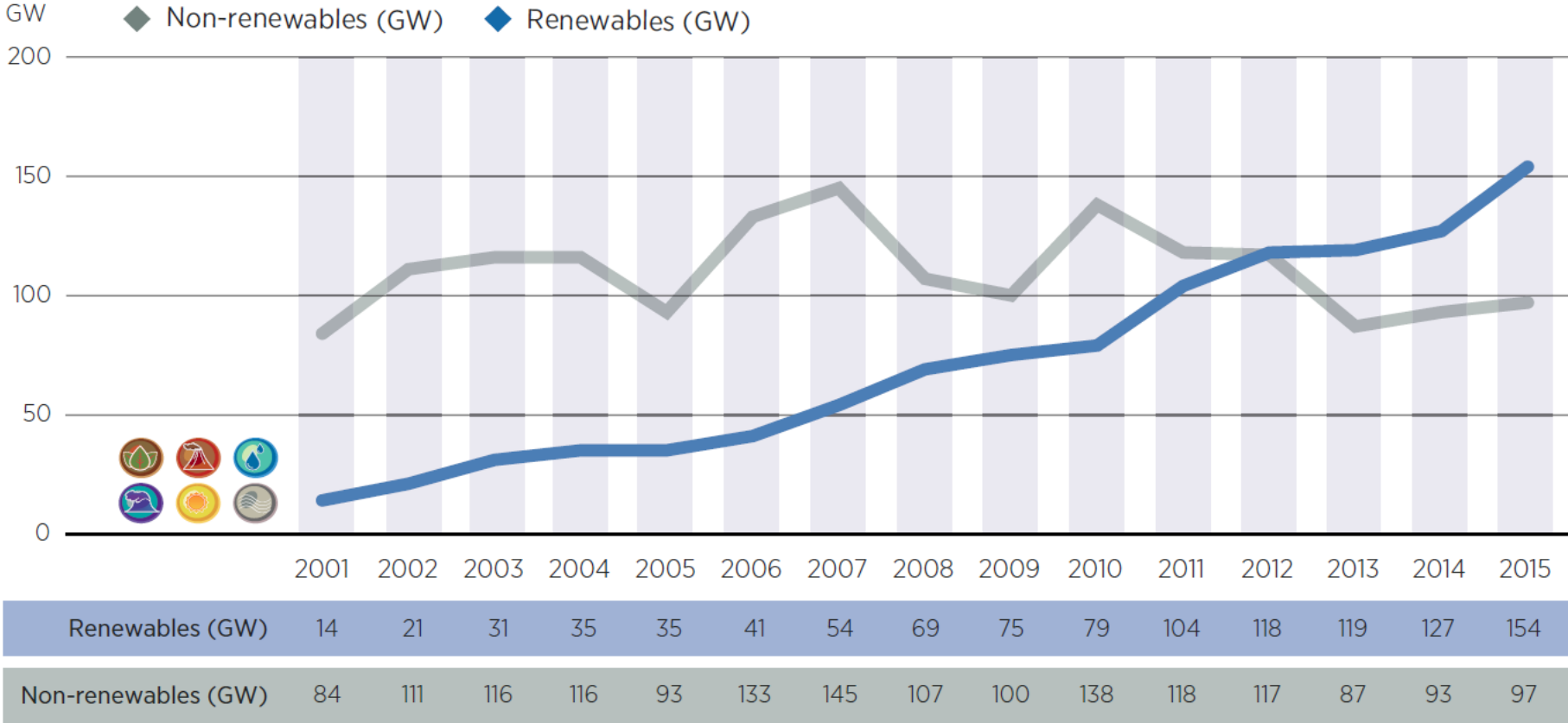
Capacity additions (GW)



Source: IRENA (2017) Statistics handbook

Investments in renewable power have surpassed the ones in fossil fuels

RE represents 60% of the total new capacity investments in the last two years

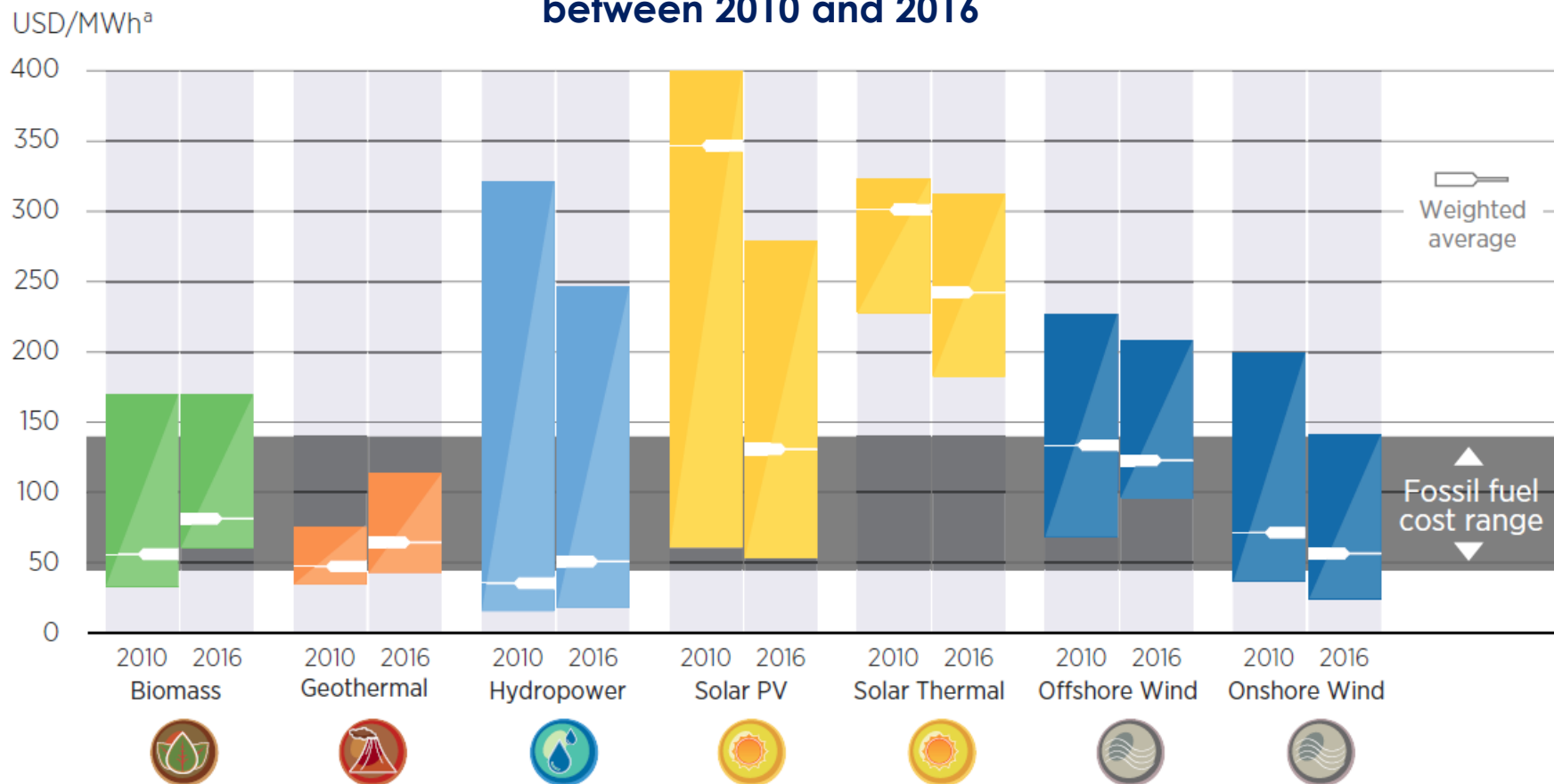


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2016: **242 USD billion**. Solar PV and wind leading

Today's strong business case for renewable power

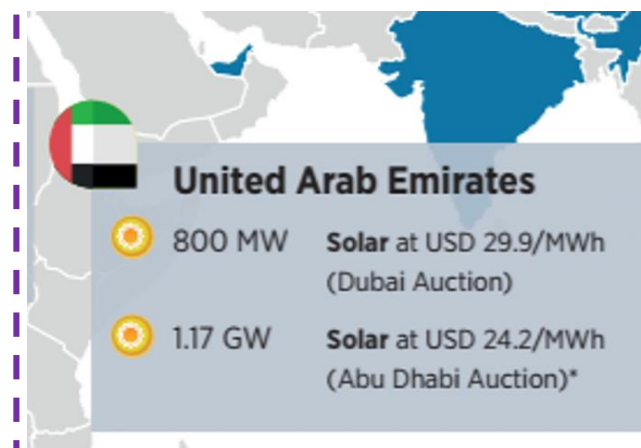
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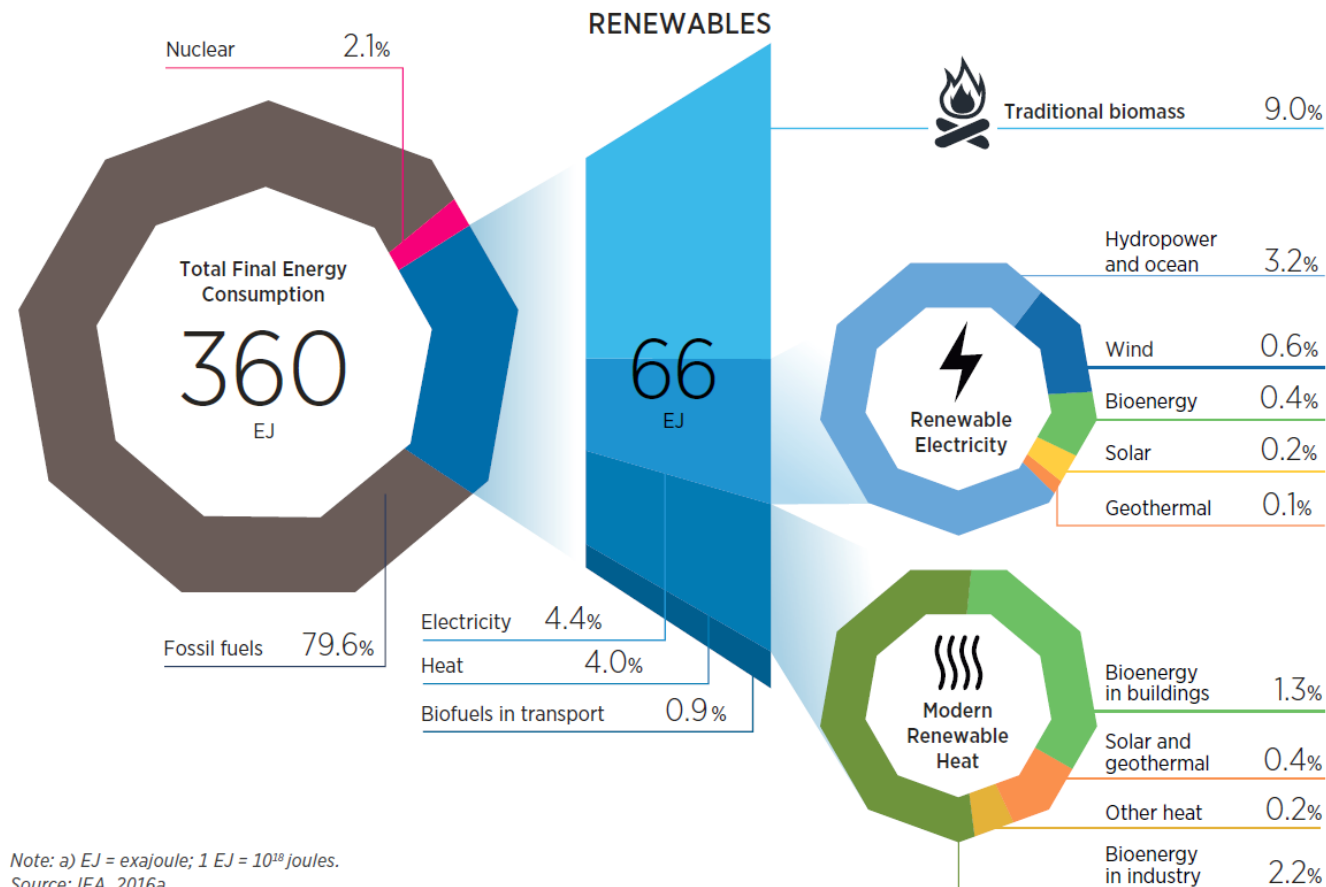
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Rapid cost reduction – PV: 80% reduction in the last 6 years

But energy continues to be a fossil fuels based sector

The growth rate in terms of **renewable share per year will need to increase seven-fold** over past rates

Total final energy consumption (EJ) and renewable shares in 2014

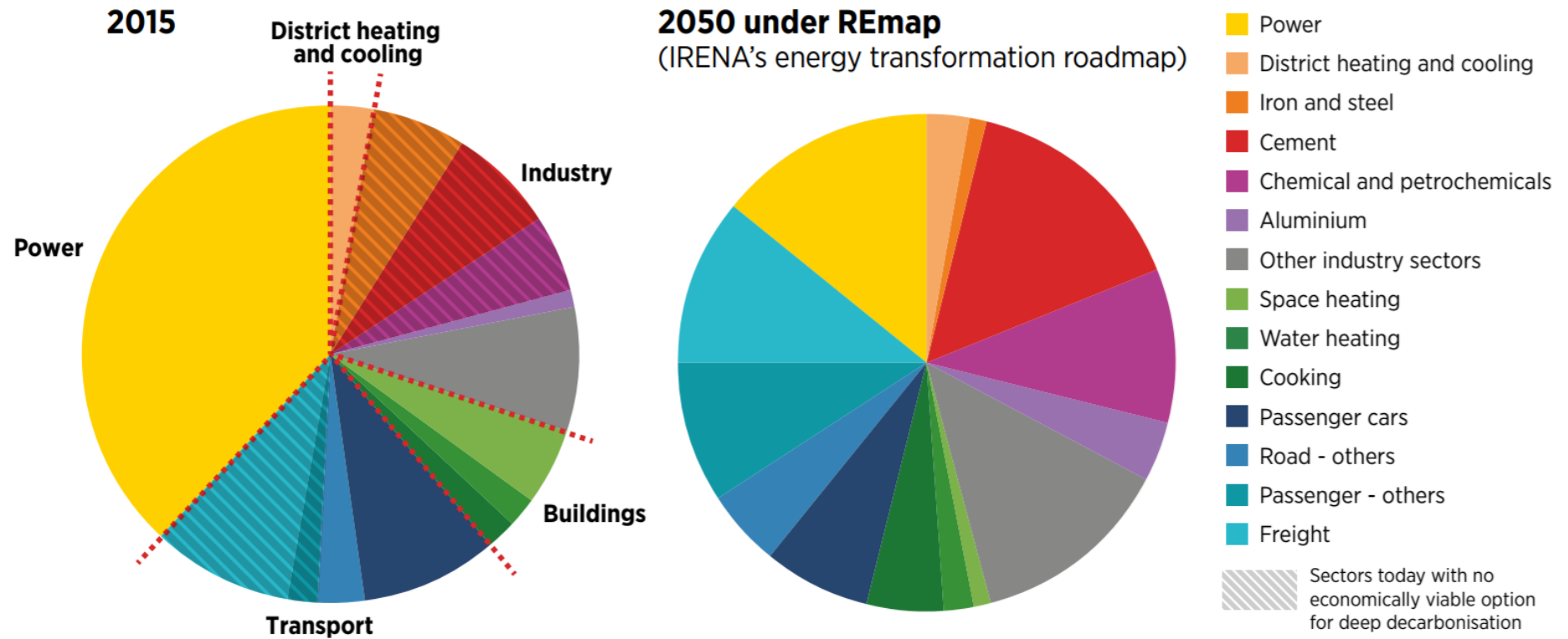


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The role of innovation

Needed emission reductions per sector in 2050

1. Continue improving available RE technologies – cost & performance
2. For power sector we need focus on systems integration
3. Breakthroughs in industry and transport sectors

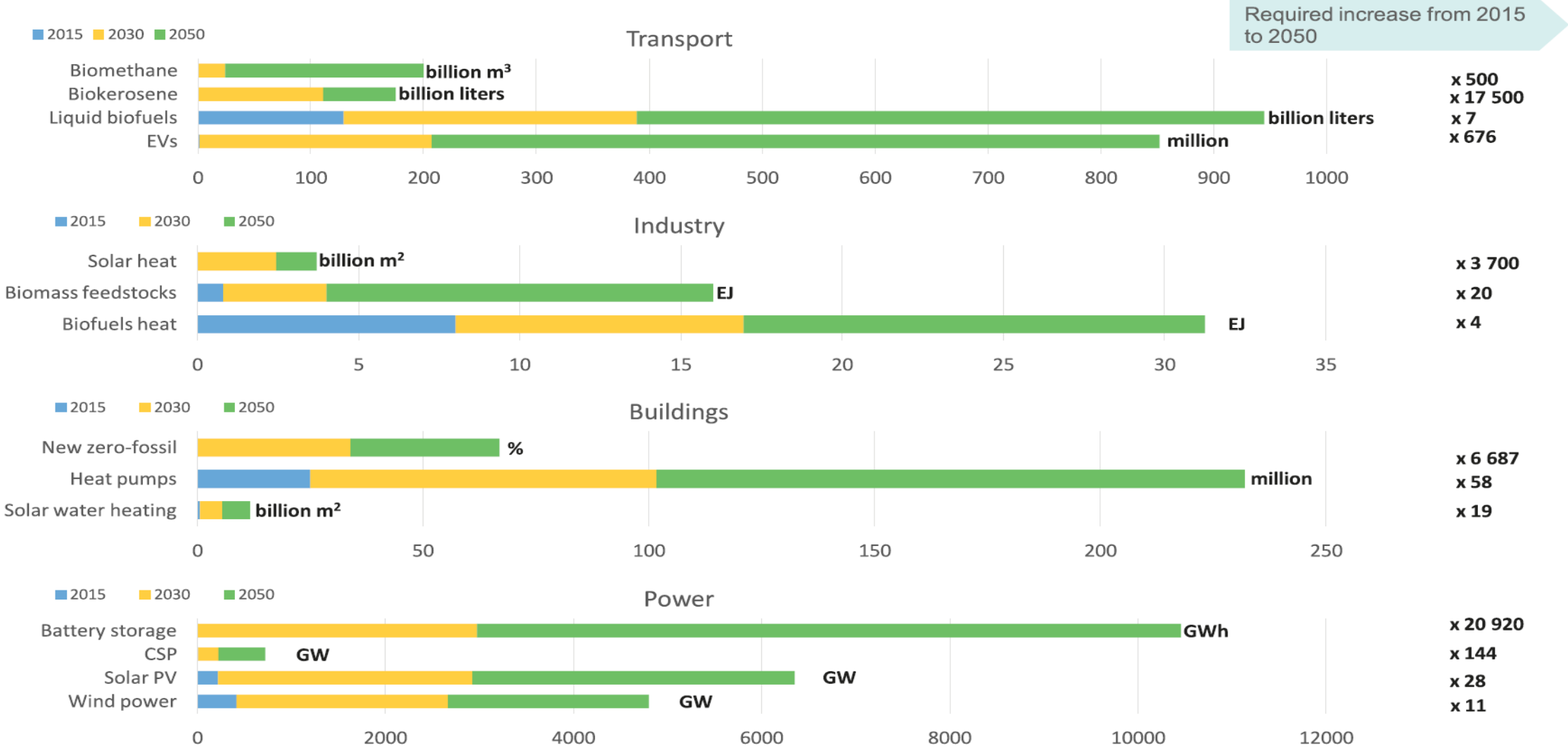


Source: IRENA (2017) Renewable energy innovation: accelerating research for a low-carbon future

Around one third of energy-related emissions in the Reference Case in 2050 currently have no economically viable options for decarbonisation

Innovation to scale-up RE deployment

Physical growth needs in energy sectors

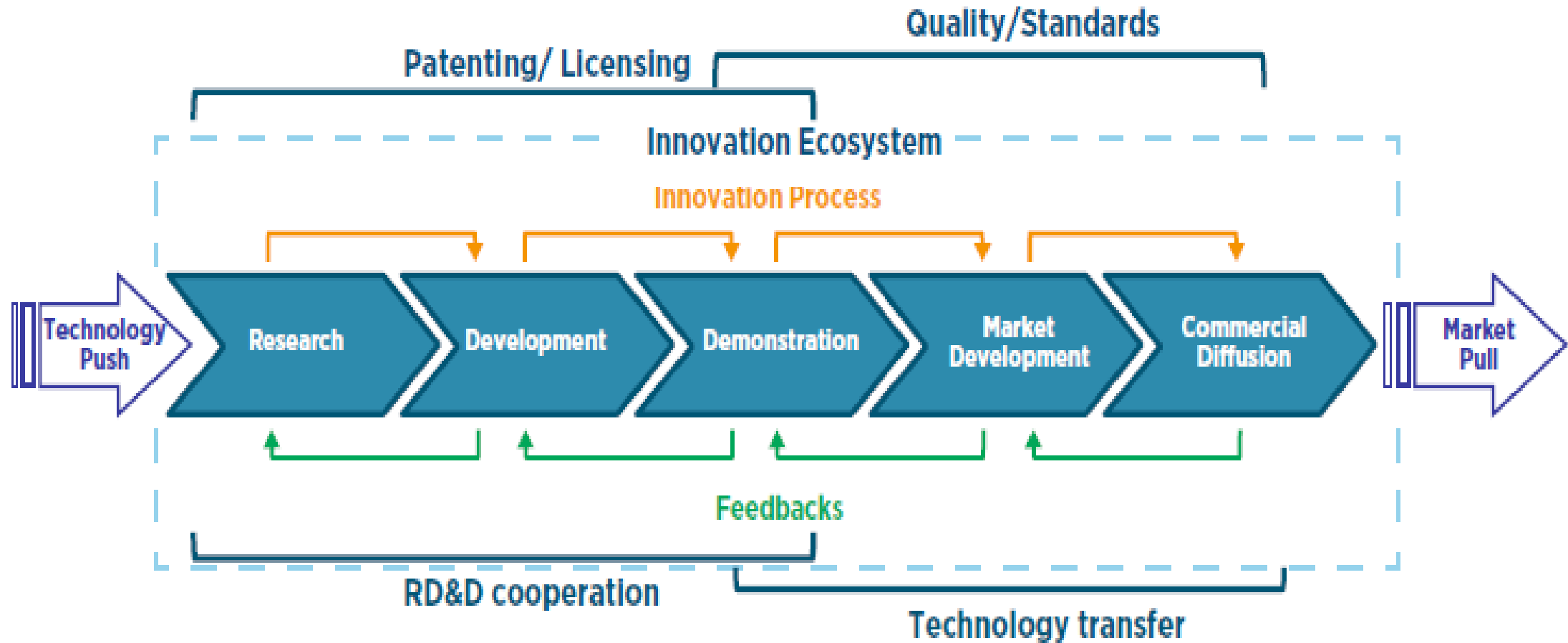


Holistic innovation approach for the energy transition



- Accelerated innovation requires a combination of various policy instruments across the whole technology lifecycle, from R&D to market scale-up
- A systematic approach is required, encompassing technical, policy, business model and regulatory considerations
- Concentrating all efforts solely on a narrow suite of measures, such as R&D spending or market signals, will not bring the expected results.

Innovation across the complete technology lifecycle



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Research,
Development &
Demonstration

Technology Development

Drivers?

- Vestas V164-9.5 MW
- Rotor diameter: 164m
 - Rated power: 9 500 kW

- Brush's Wind Turbine
- Rotor diameter: 17m
 - Rated power: 12 kW



- KEMA Energy Island
- Inverse Offshore Pump Accumulation Station

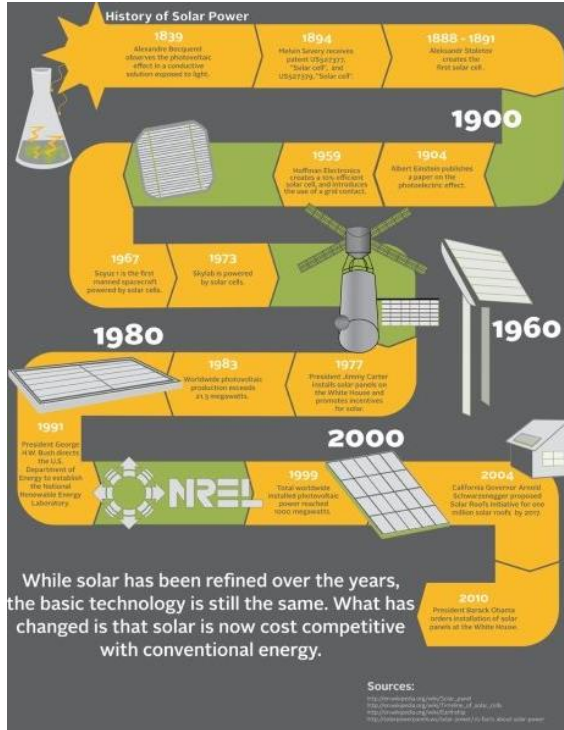
Learned?

Learning Paths – takes time!

Learning by:

- **Searching:** making improvements due to the experiences and results of R&D
- **Doing:** improvements of a technology due to the repetitive manufacturing of a product
- **Using:** compiling the feedback from use experiments into the designing processes
- **Interacting:** reaching improvements due to the network interactions

(Kamp, 2004)



Source: SunRun

PV

Vestas V100 – 2MW



Source: www.vestas.com

NIBE B – 630 kW (1978)



Source: Gipe, 1995

Juul's – 200 kW (1957)



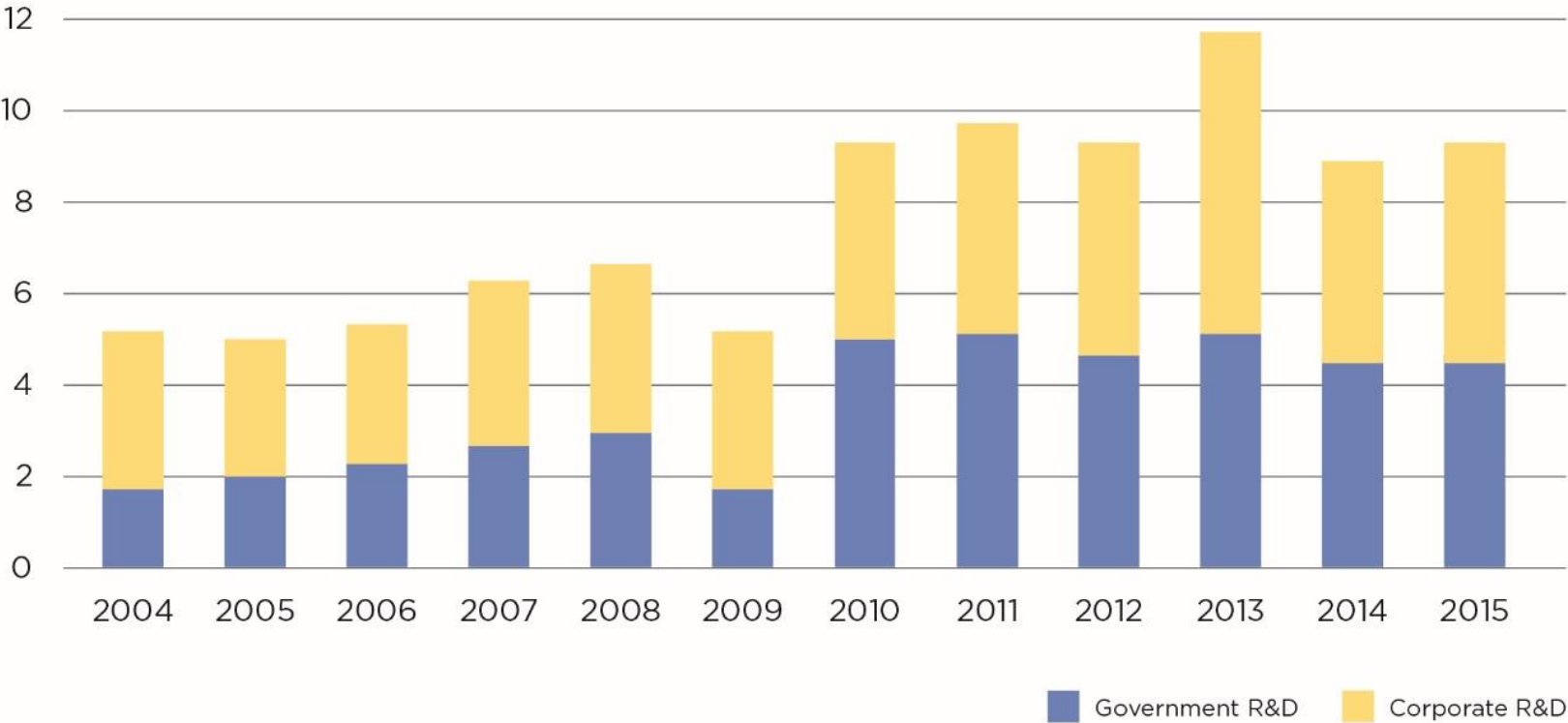
Source: Gipe, 1995

Wind Evolution in Denmark

R&D spending on renewable energy 2004-2015

- There is an urgent need to increase R&D investment
- R&D for renewables is not currently growing
- Most R&D investments directed to the power sector - end-use sectors overlooked

Global investment in renewable energy R&D (USD billion/yr)

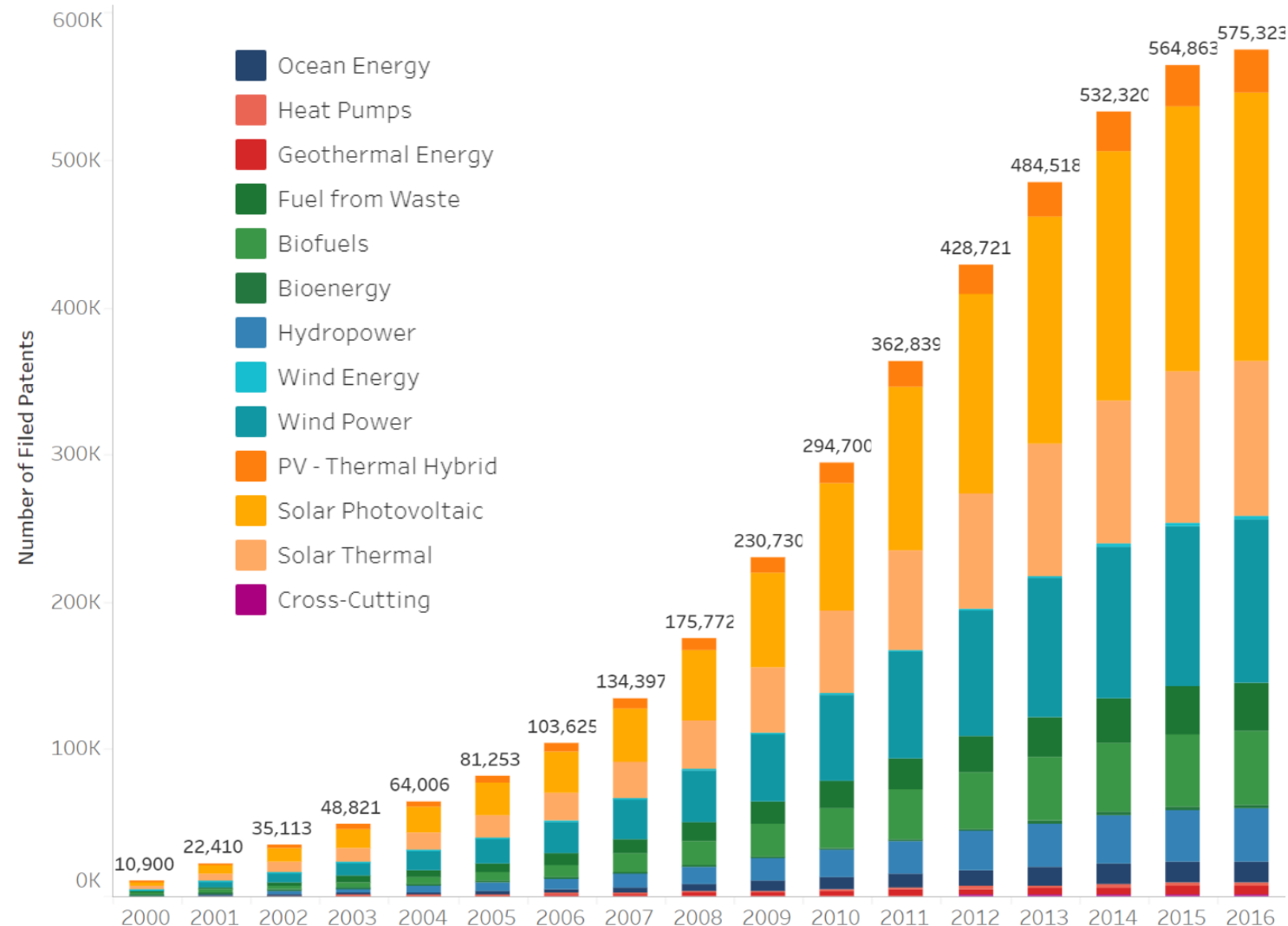


Patent Development in Renewables

- Close to **600 000** patents in RE today
- A compound annual growth rate of **17%**
- Solar, Wind and Bioenergy accounts for **90%** of the patents in renewable Energy
- Solar is the leading technology with **55%** of patents in 2016
- All the renewable energy technologies have **at least tripled** the quantity of patents in comparison to 2006

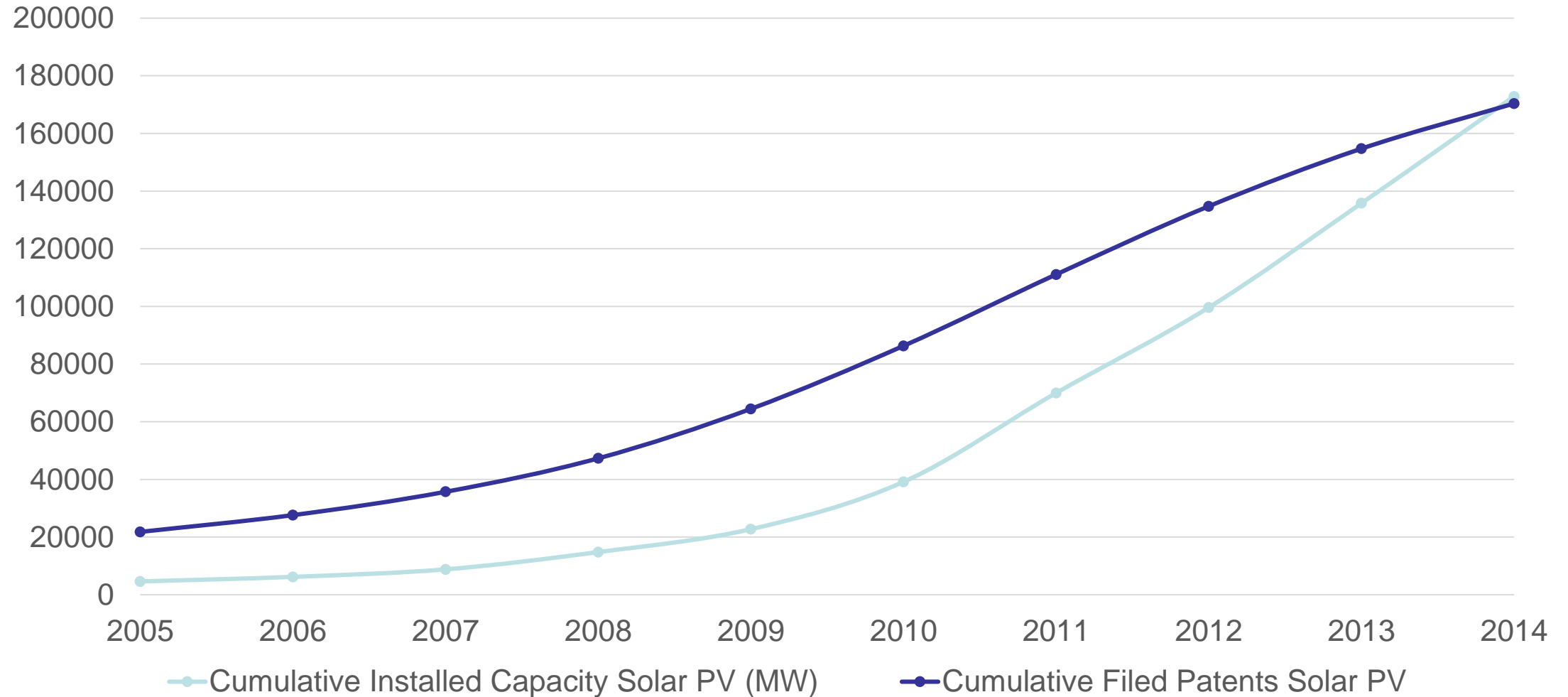


Patents Evolution of Renewable Energy Technologies



Correlation between Patent Activity and Deployment

Solar PV Installed Capacity and Filed Patents

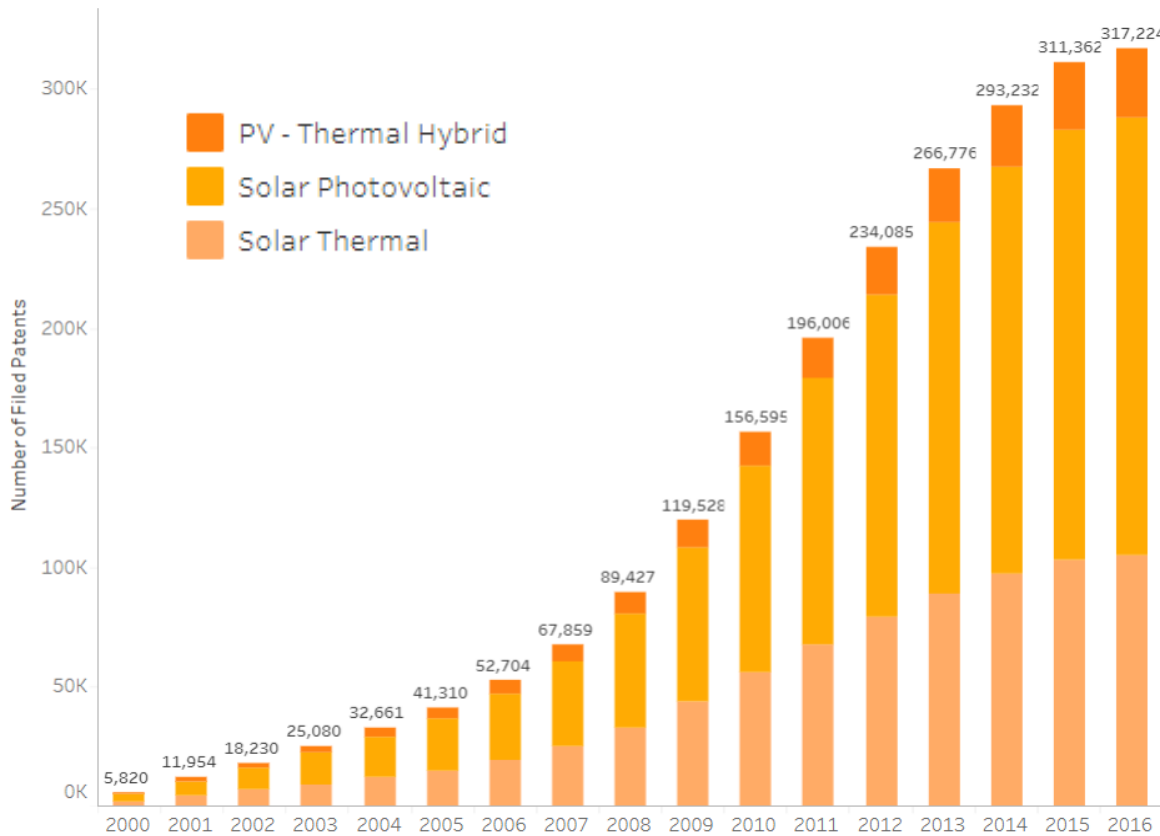


Innovation is now moving into enabling technologies

Patents in Renewable Energy



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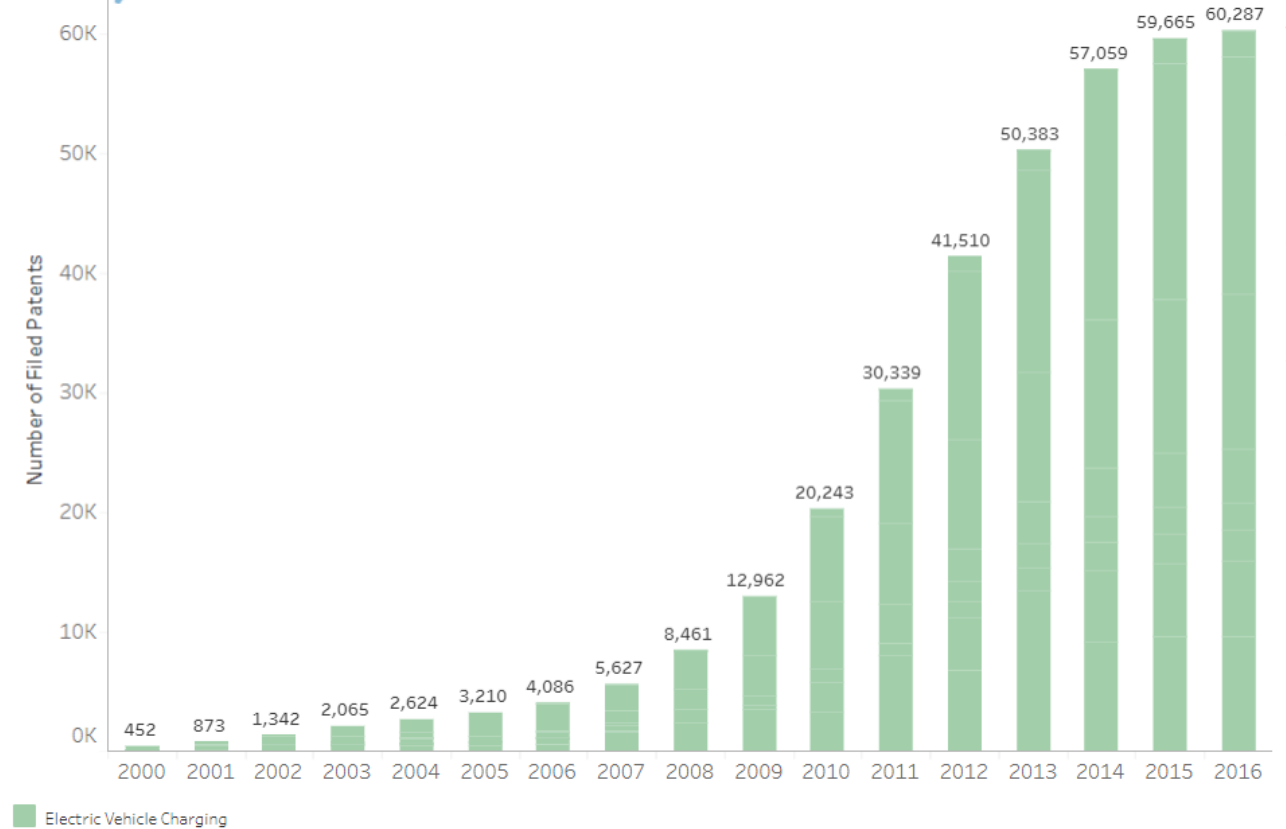


✓ 6 fold growth in the last ten years

Patents in Enabling Technologies

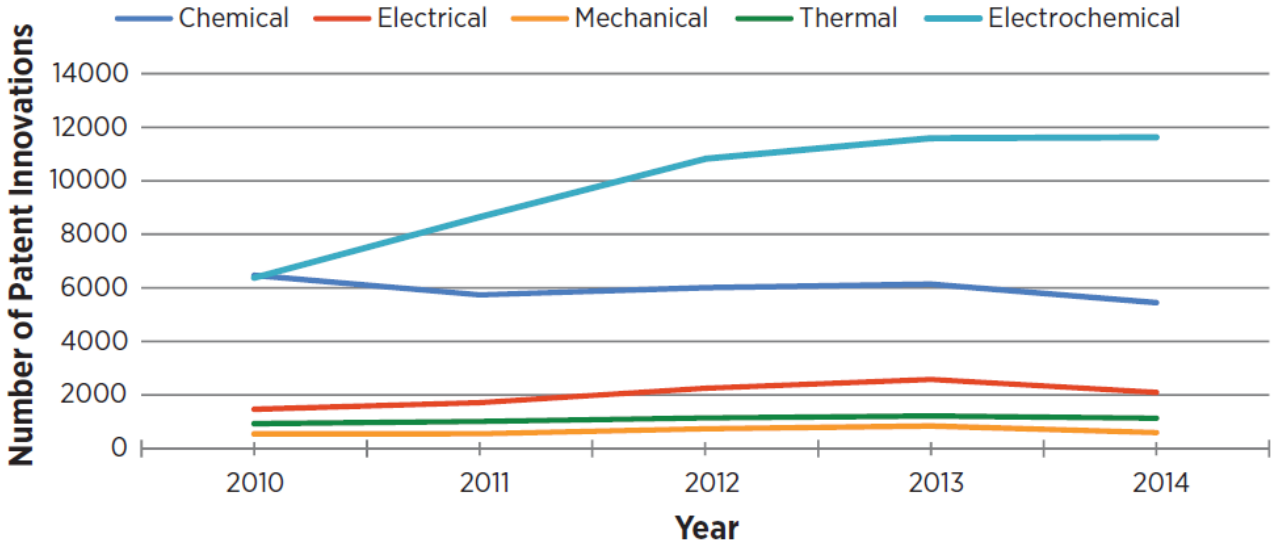


Enabling Technologies by Category



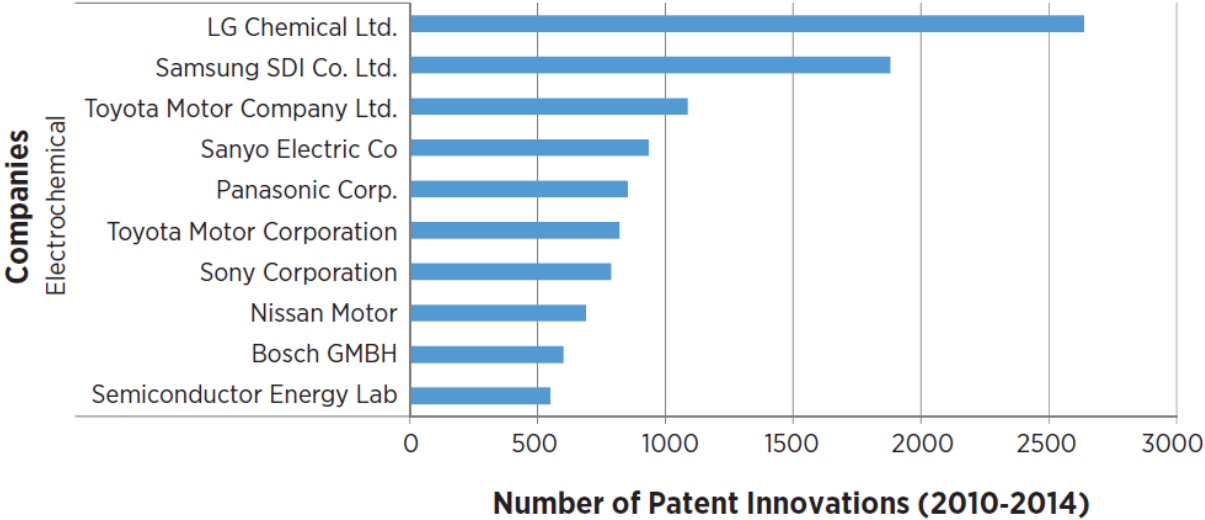
✓ EV charging has grown 16 times

Patent data - Which technologies and actors are more active in R&D?



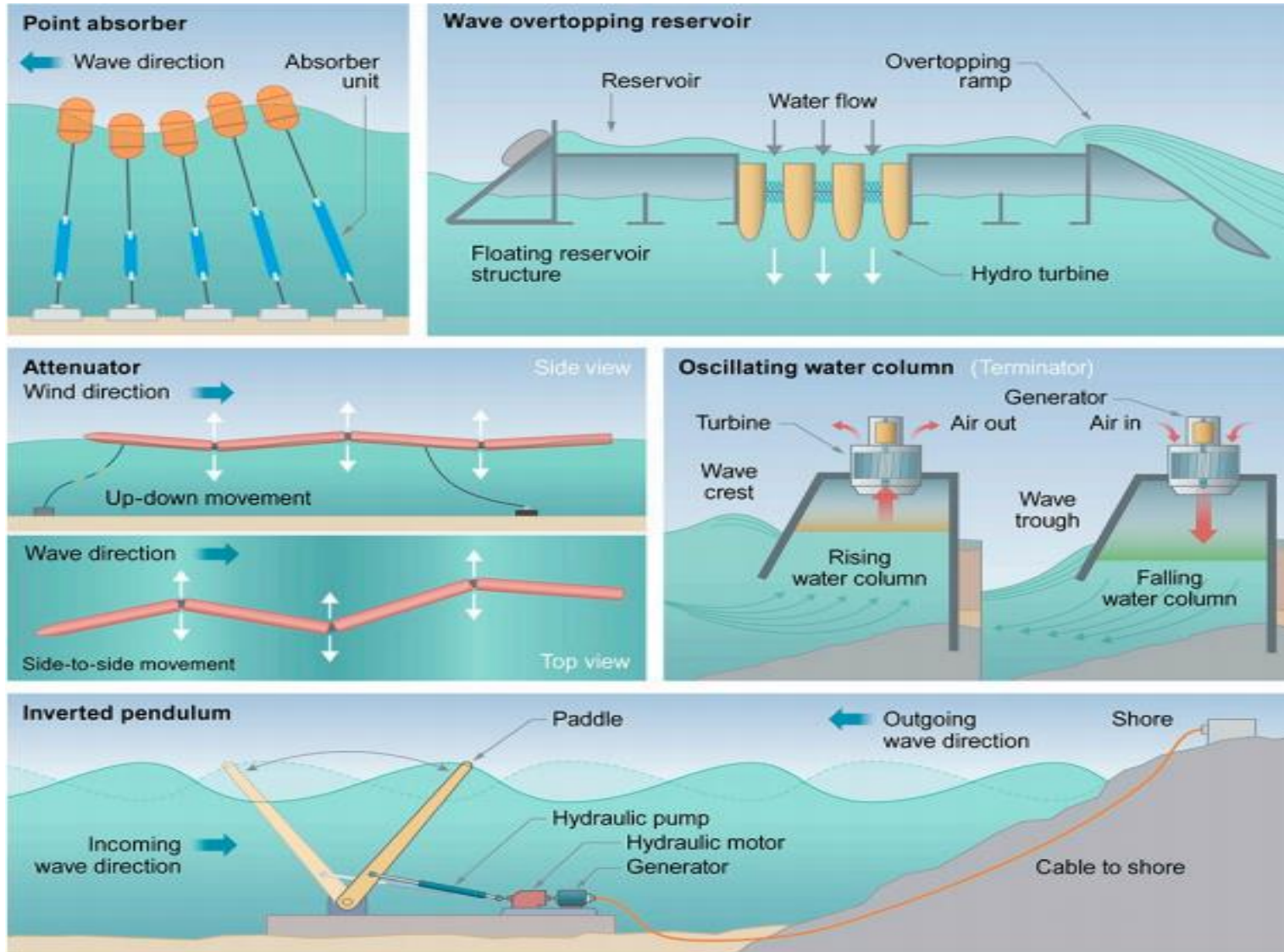
Electricity storage technologies

Innovators



Source: IRENA (2016), Innovation Outlook: Renewable Mini-grids, International Renewable Energy Agency, Abu Dhabi.

Early stages - ocean energy technologies



Capital cost [EUR/kW]

• 4,800 – 9,680

O&M Cost [EUR/kW/yr]

• 48 – 97

Availability [%]

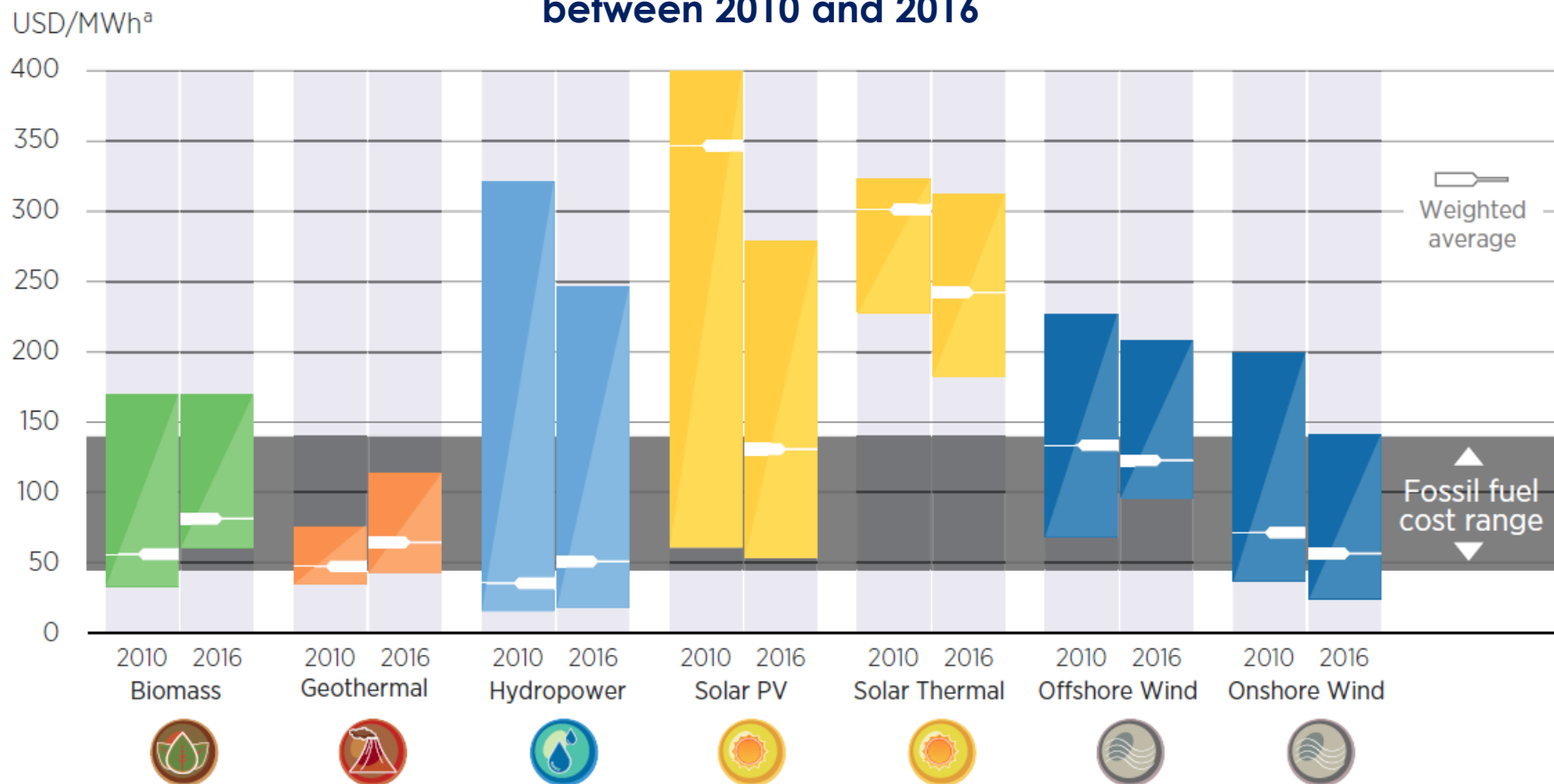
• 75 – 85

LCOE [EUR/MWh]

• 330 – 630

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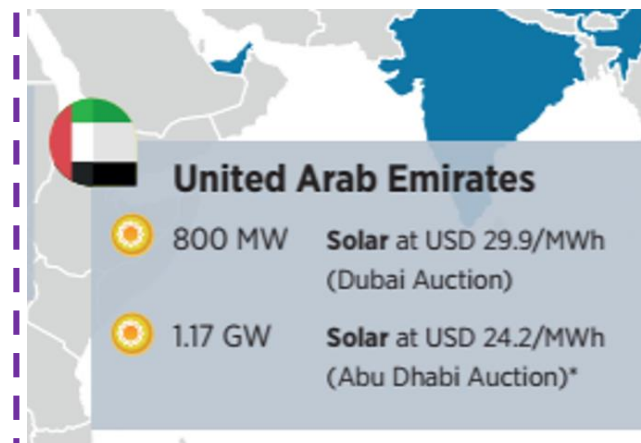
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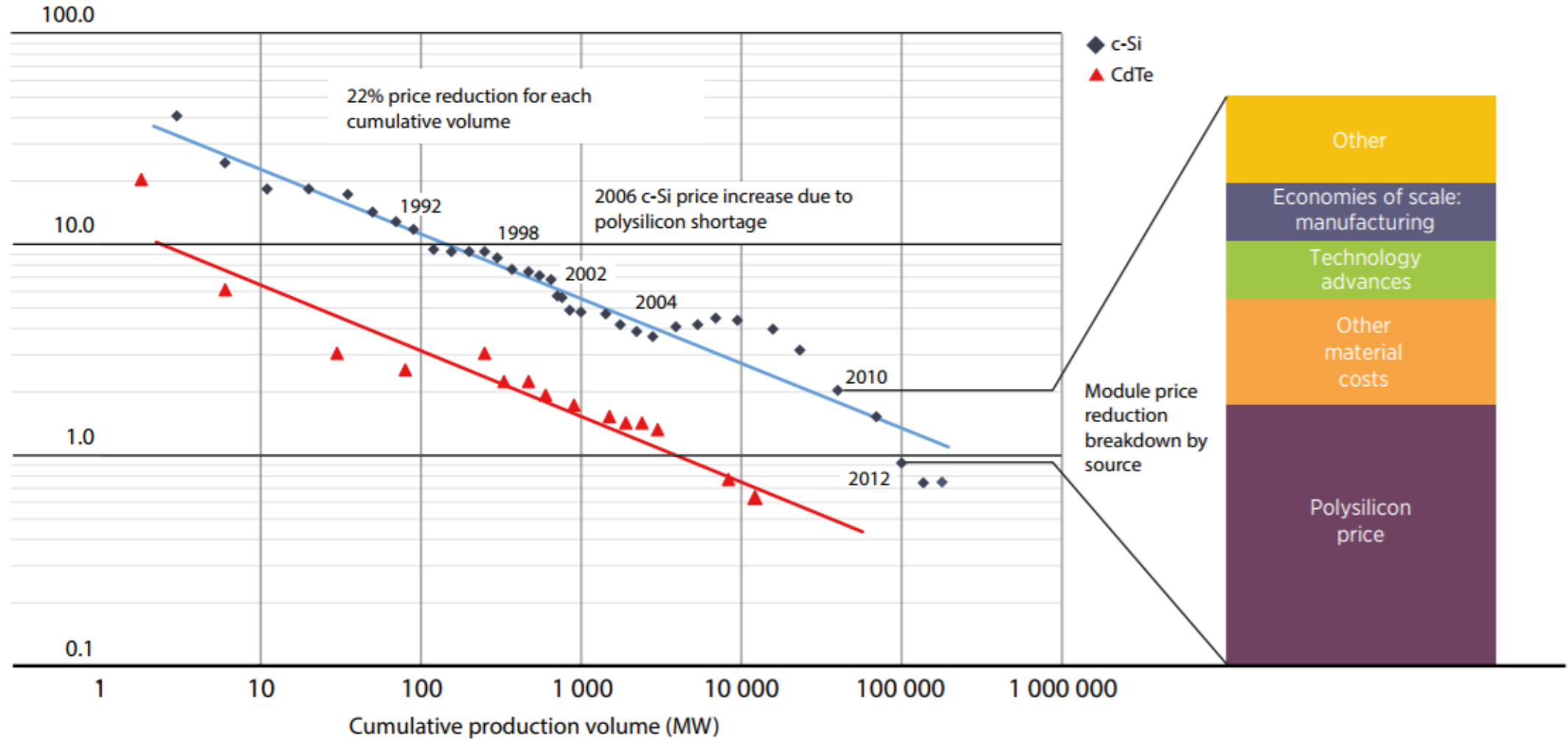
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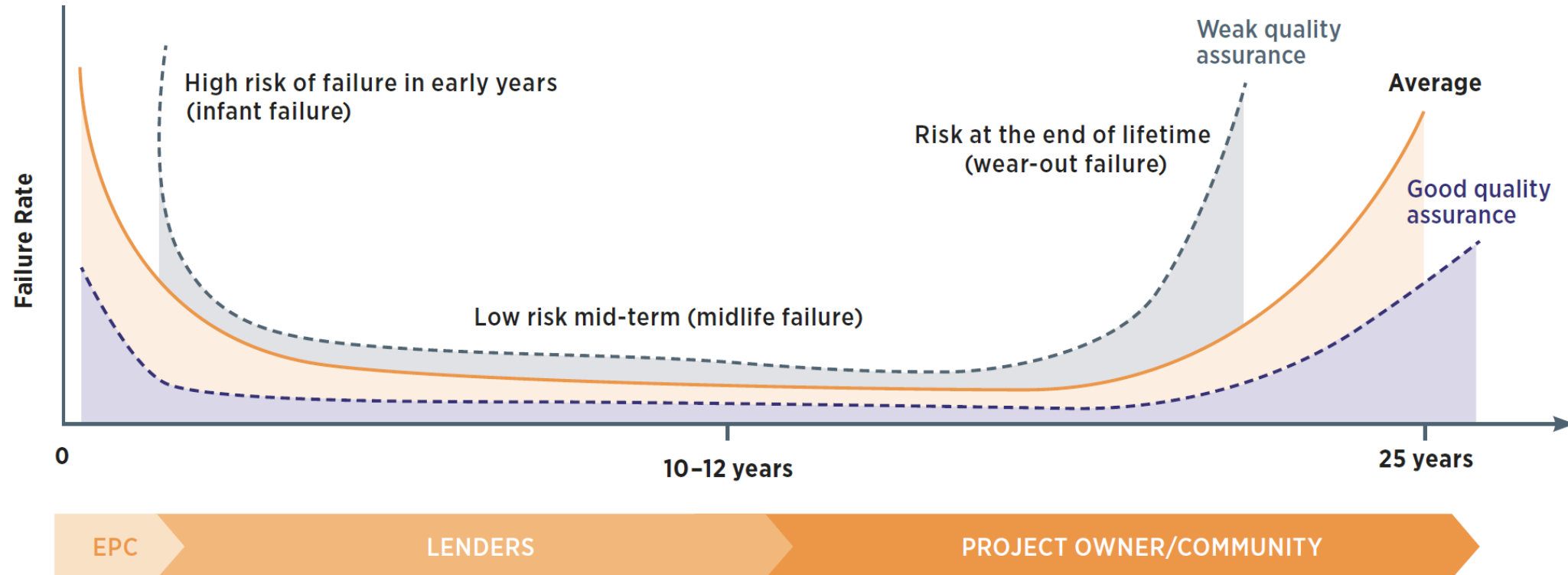
Market formation and Commercialisation

Learning Curves – the case of PV

Global average module price (2014 USD/W)



The role of standards and quality control – risk mitigation



Lenders' perspective: revenues only important during first 10-15 years

- Risk of infant failures are passed to EPC
- Bankability assessments further minimize risks of midlife failure
 - ✓ Valid renown certifications
 - ✓ Track record of company and modules
 - ✓ Quality of manufacturing facility
 - ✓ Warranty conditions

TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT

- Hydrolysis fermentation reached commercialisation (DuPont, Beta Renewables)
- Gasification route ready for commercialisation
- Pyrolysis and hydrothermal routes require more development.
- Economics – challenging in a low oil-price context

SUPPORT TO MARKET FORMATION

- Support to commercial-scale demonstration plants is crucial
- Bio-refineries – business models including co-products
- Policy incentives, targets or mandates
- Internalisation of carbon cost is essential
- Public procurement
- Niche markets (expectations on aviation and shipping) to create critical mass

SUPPORT ENTERPRISE FORMATION

- Support start-ups
- Sharing successful business models
- Harness potential socio-economic benefits -



DuPont Lignocellulosic Ethanol plant in Nevada

(Source: www.dupont.com)



TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT

- The most significant innovations will be next-generation turbines with larger rotors and advances in electrical transmission under-sea
- Other non-technology innovations — risk mitigation and business models to reduced the WACC
- A potential game changer are floating foundations (several prototypes tested in Japan, Portugal, North sea)

IMPACT OF INNOVATION

- Offshore wind going into waters deeper than 50 m
- Expand its geographic range and reduce costs by more than half over the next three decades
- Decrease in the global average LCOE from USD 170/MWh in 2015, to USD 95/MWh by 2030 and USD 74/MWh by 2045
- Growth in installed capacity from close to 13 GW in 2015 to 100 GW by 2030 and 400 GW by 2045

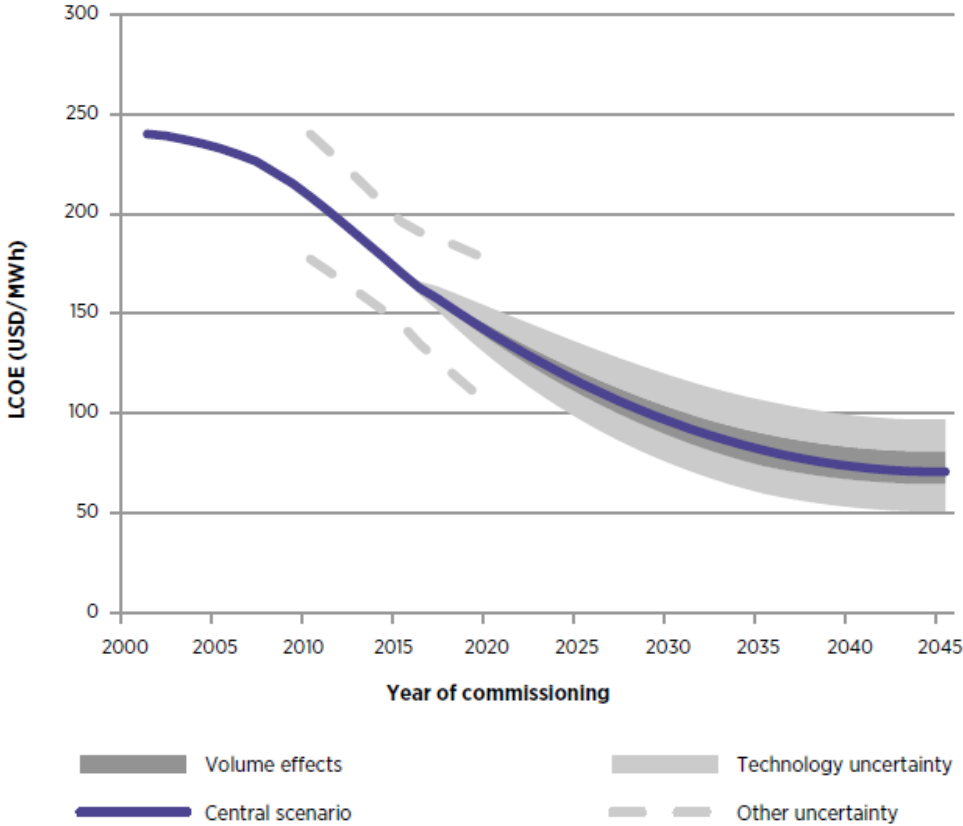
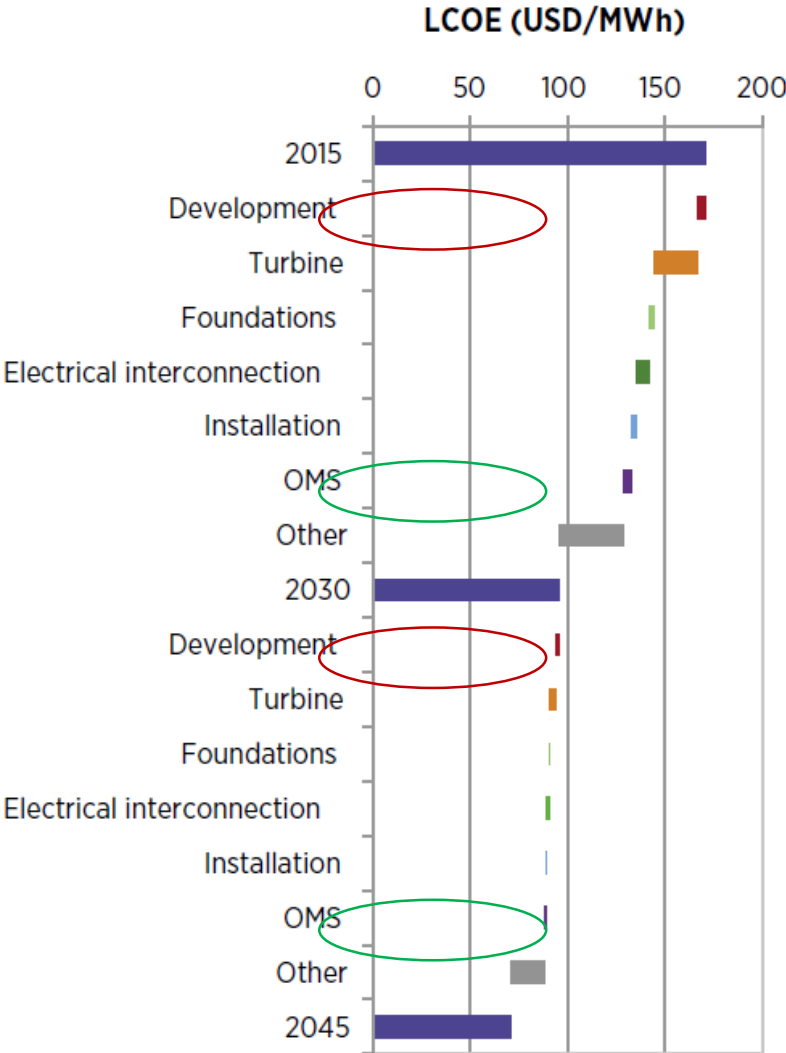


Hywind Floating Wind Farm – Oct 2017

(Source: Statoil)



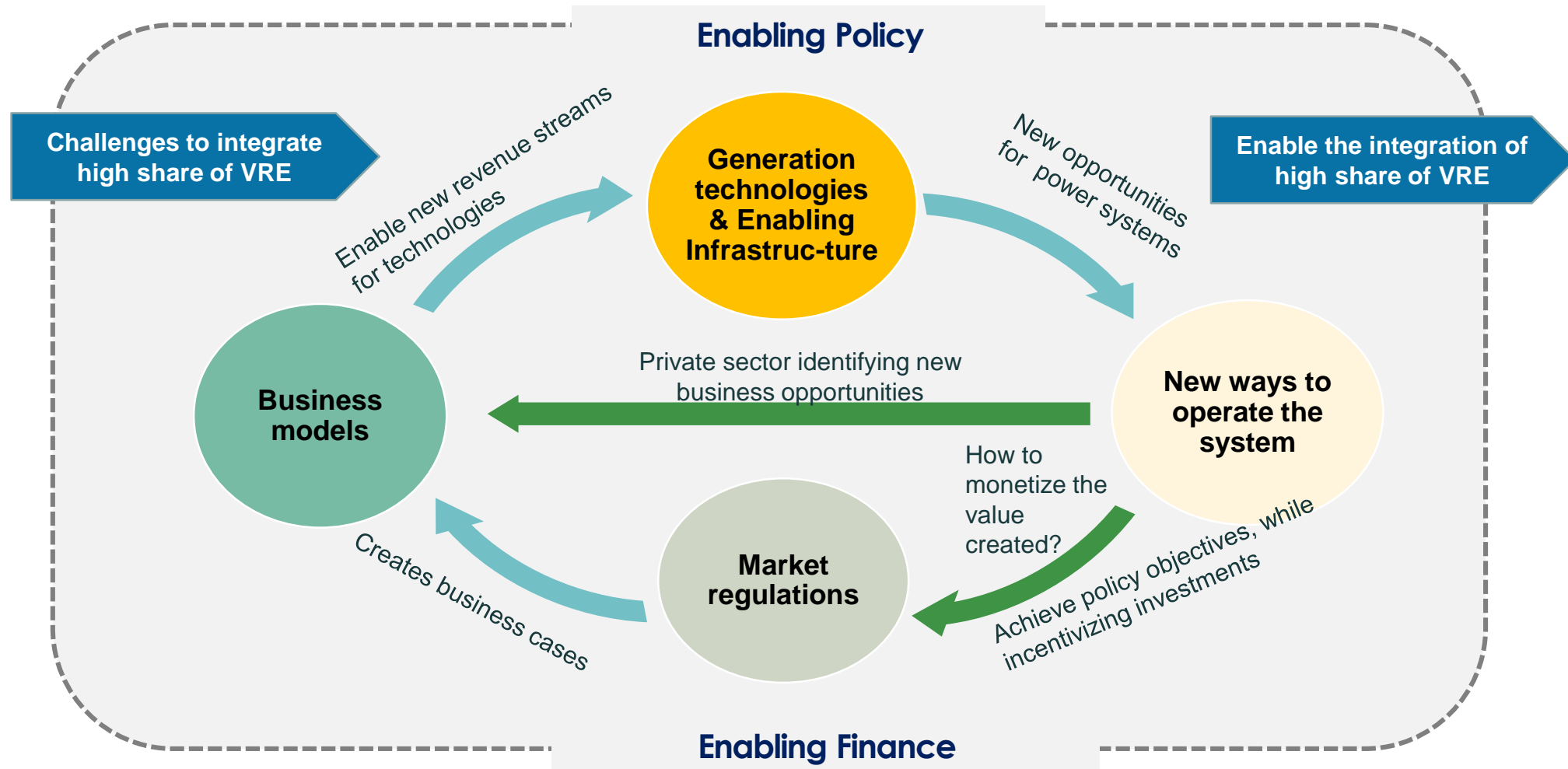
Expected reduction in LCOE for Offshore Wind



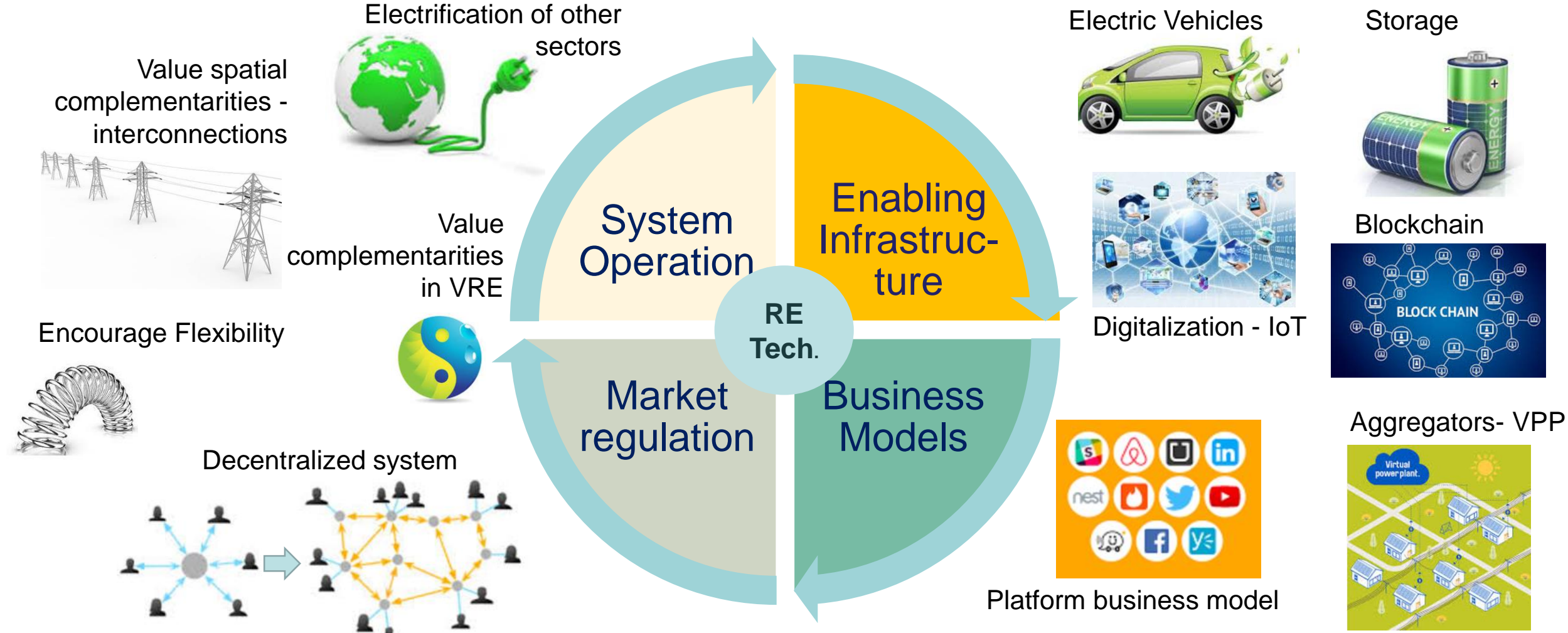
- 2030: **105 – 145** USD/MWh
- 2045: **70 – 120** USD/MWh

Next Innovation Stage for the Power Sector – System Integration

Systemic approach to Innovation for the Energy Transformation



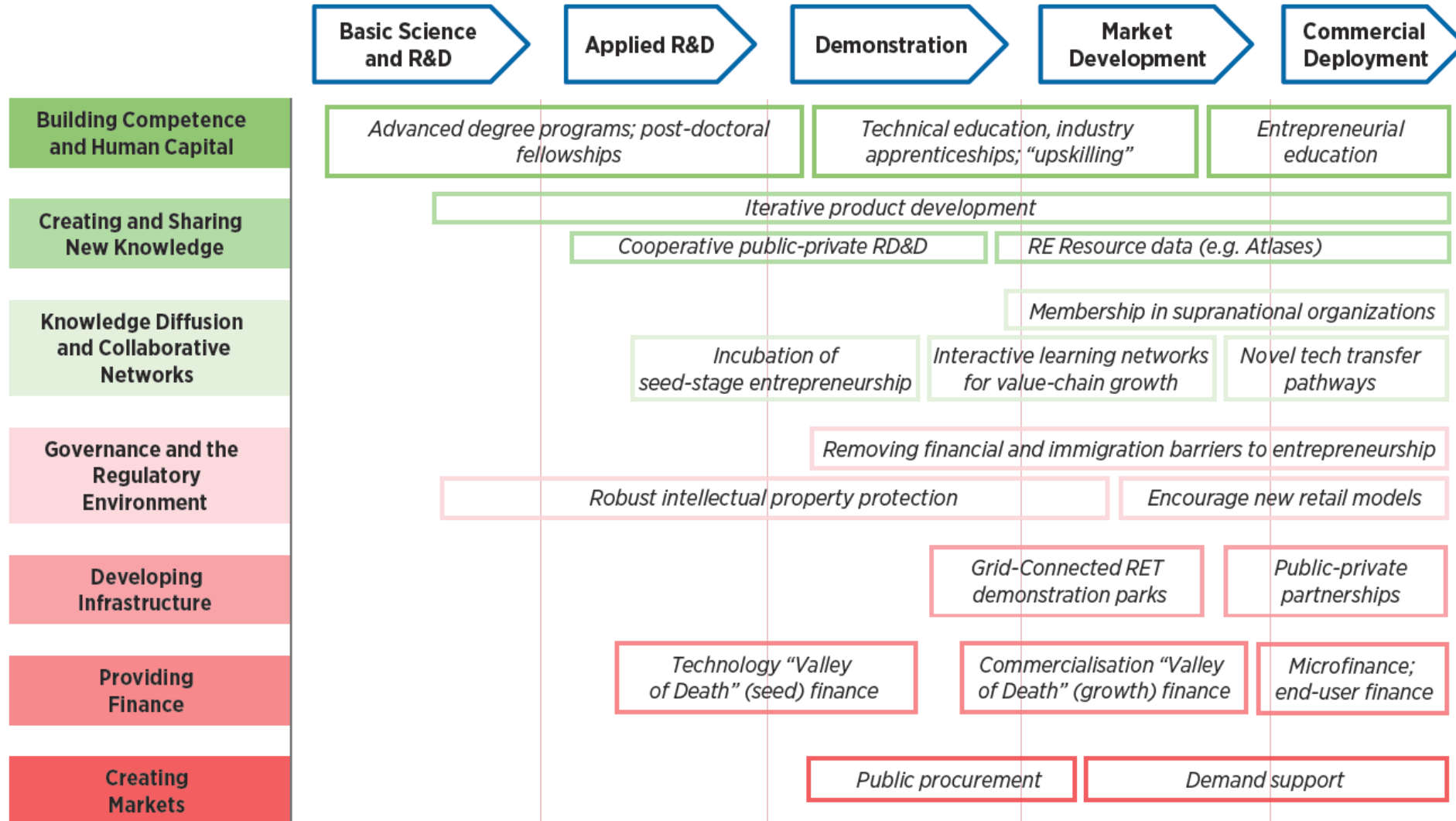
Report on Systemic Innovation for the Renewable Power Sector

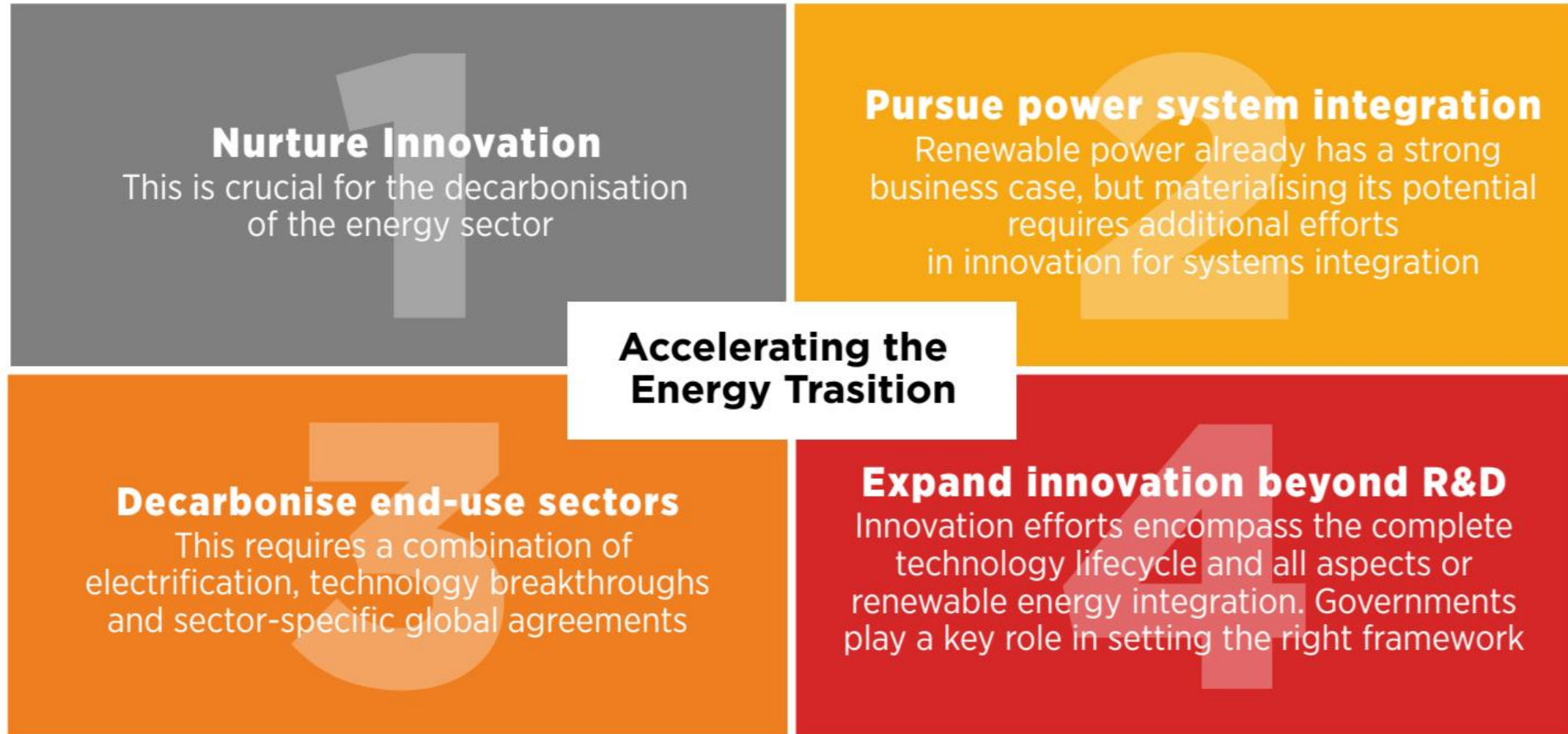


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Policy Messages

Innovation policy toolbox





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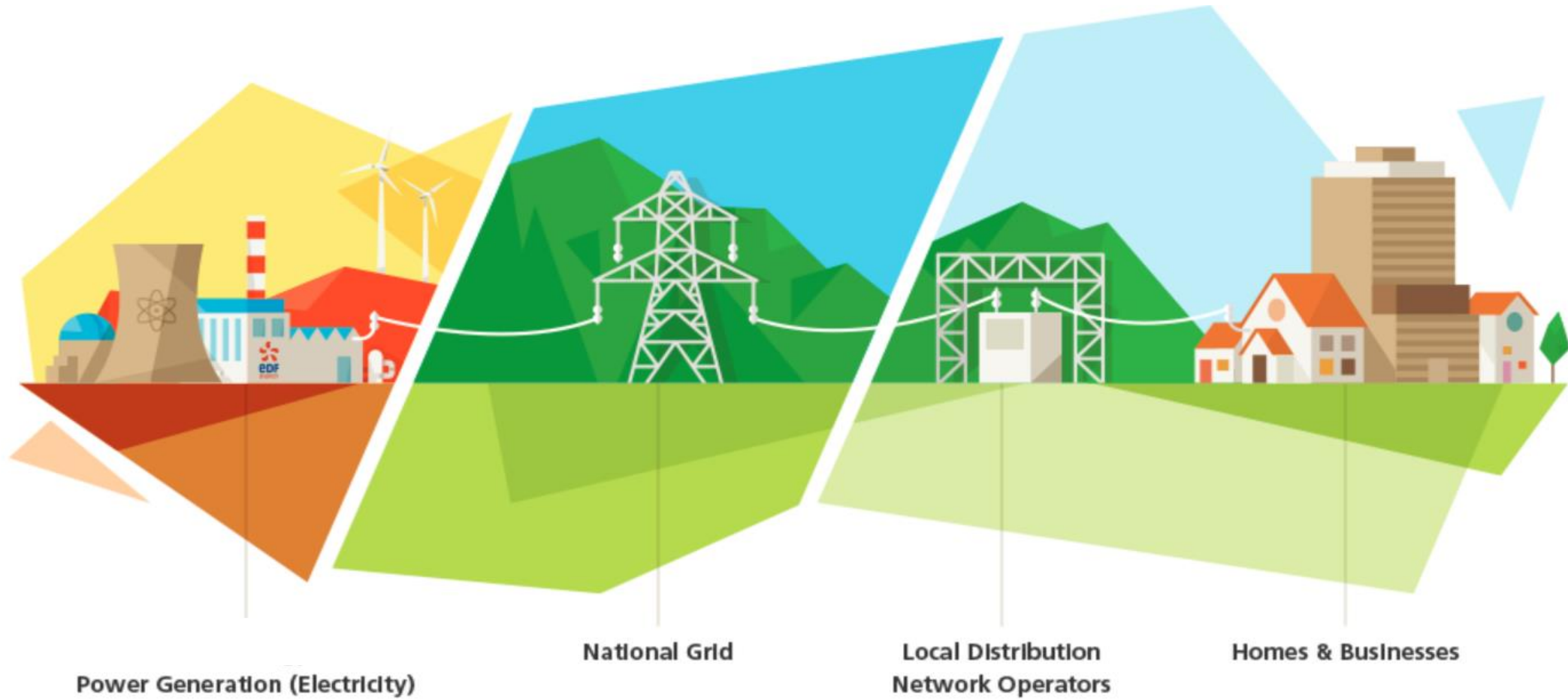
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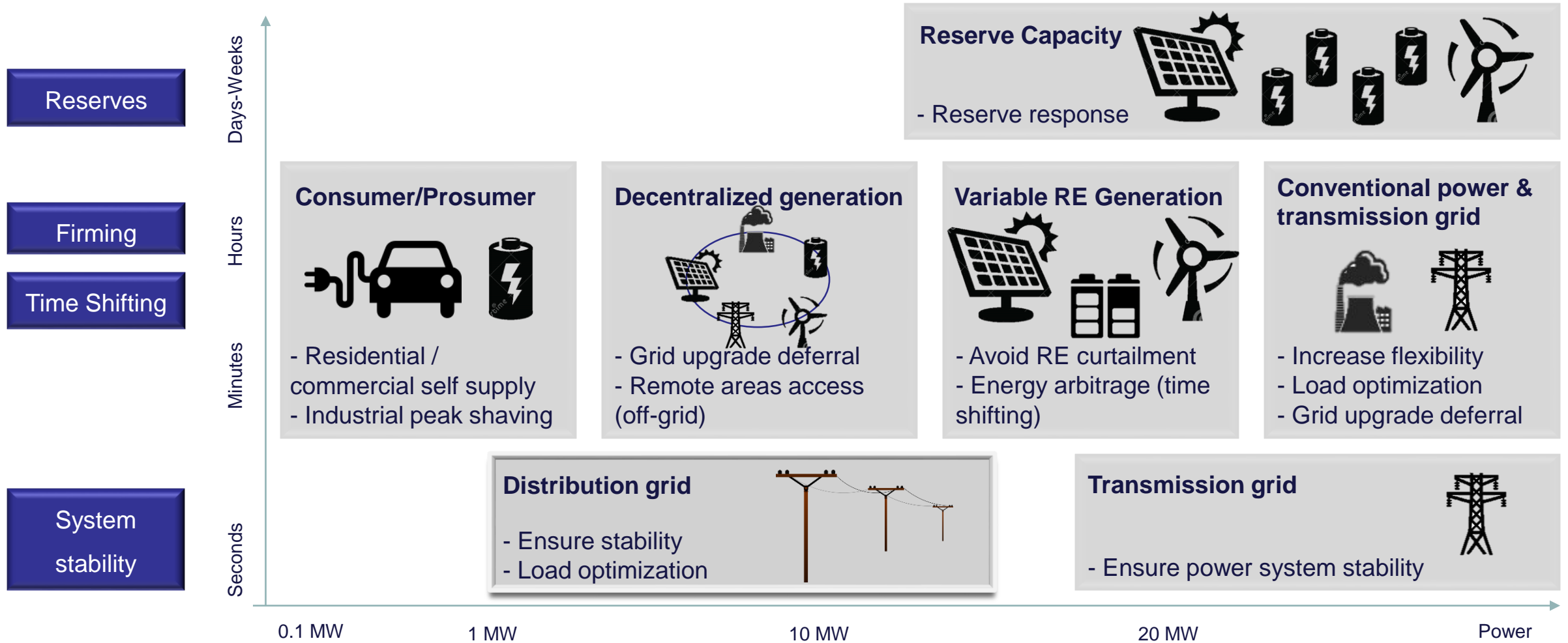
Technology Innovation: BATTERY STORAGE

From electricity to a commodity, as any other



Storage provides more stability and flexibility to the system

Energy Storage System Services

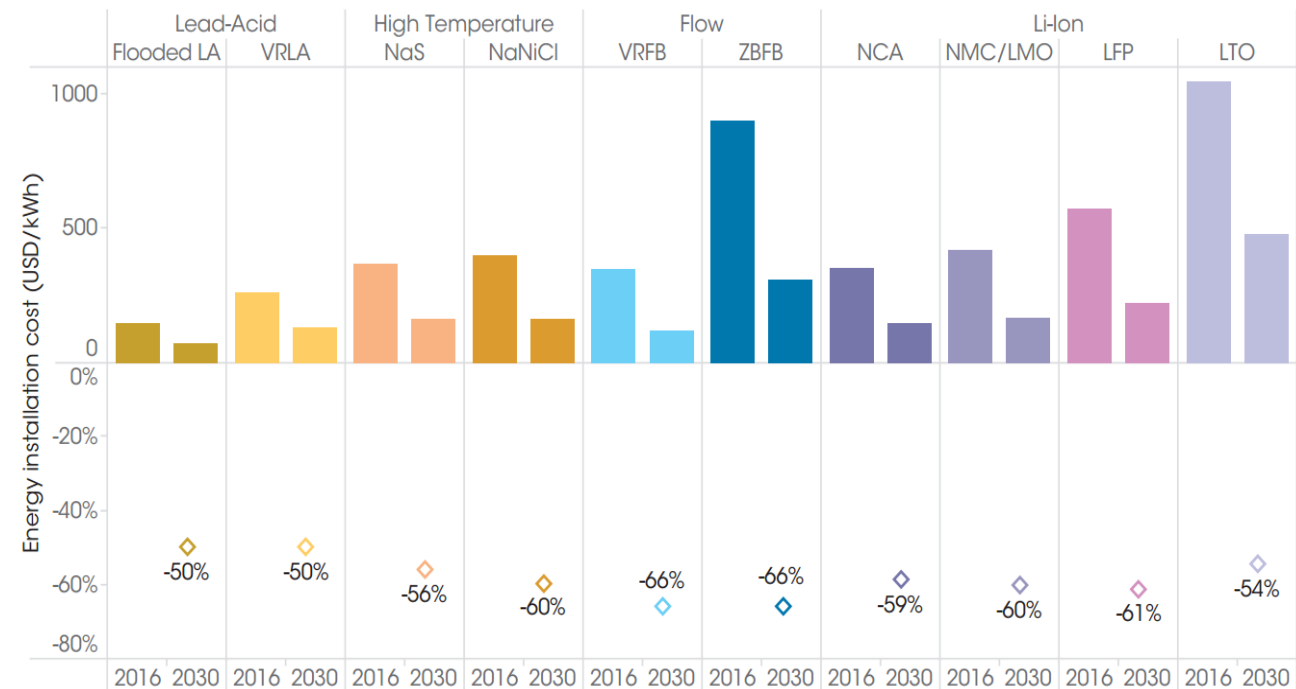


Key factors to enable deployment

- + Decrease costs
- + Increase familiarity with storage technology among utilities, regulators and financiers
- + Capacity building to address the need for highly skilled and experienced technicians to maintain and operate systems correctly
- + Regulations allowing storage to be remunerated for all the services they can provide
- + Clear regulations regarding the ownership model of the large storage battery system

Potential cost reduction

Figure ES6: Battery electricity storage system installed energy cost reduction potential, 2016-2030



**ELECTRIC
VEHICLE
PARKING**



Batteries on wheels: **ELECTRIC VEHICLES**

There is a potential to increase electric passenger cars from 1.25 million in 2015 to 160 million in 2030 (REMap 2030).

This total would represent 10% of the total passenger cars fleet



The potential for electric two and three wheelers is also significant. In 2016 there were 200 million, and by 2030 their number could reach 900 million.

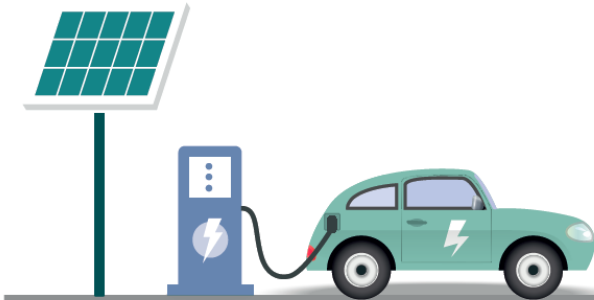


Electric buses have the potential to electrify the public transportation.
300 000 electric buses are in service around the world, mostly in China

(IEA,2016)



EV incentives and targets



2016: ~800 000 EVs sold, 1% of total car sales (x2 2015)
Netherlands and Norway: ~1 out of 5 cars sold is an EV.

China announced an obligatory target of 10% EV in total car sales by 2019

Countries including France, Germany, India, the United Kingdom, together with Scandinavian countries committing to electric mobility by 2030 or by 2040

France and the United Kingdom announced a ban on the sale of internal combustion engines by 2030

In UAE a new incentive programme launched by the Ministry of Energy “Incentives for Using Electric Vehicles” will call for up to 10 per cent of car fleets of federal ministries and agencies to be electric vehicles.

Coupling between transport and RE power sectors

Decarbonisation:

- EVs require a clean energy supply source
- Variable renewable power integration require system flexibility



Vehicle-to-grid:

Using EV batteries to store excess electricity from solar and wind, while providing distributed storage services to the grid.

Source: IRENA (2017) Electric vehicles in Barbados

Coupling between transport and RE power sectors

How everybody sees Electric Vehicles?



How power sector sees Electric Vehicles?



EVs as enabler for integration of VRE...

Load management

Charge the EV when wind or sun energy available, when demand is low.

Understand customer behaviour and create awareness of the possibilities to use load management

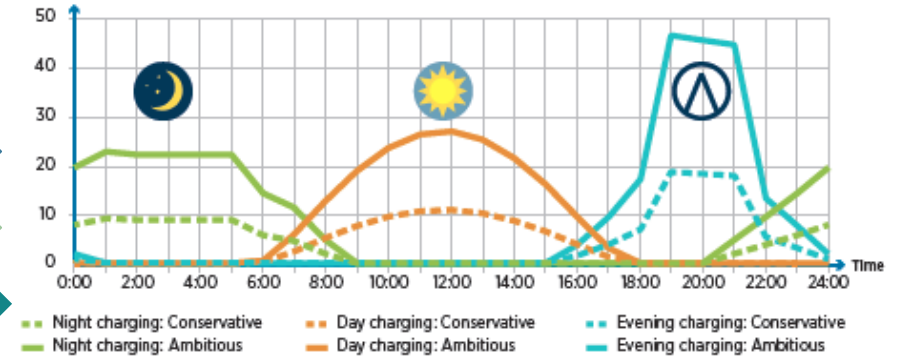
EV as decentralised storage

Grid-connected battery electric vehicles can provide additional flexibility to the power system by supplying power back to the grid (V2G).

Frequency control

EVs can provide ancillary services such as primary and secondary reserves. In this way EVs can also contribute to system reliability as shares of variable renewable generation grow.

EV charging demand (MW)



EVENING PEAK

- EVs charged at home as people return from work
- Likely charging pattern with no policy intervention
- Reduces system reliability by adding to existing evening peak demand
- Should be discouraged with time of use pricing and availability of public charging stations



NIGHTTIME

- Requires pricing signals and smart grid technologies to delay / prolong charging away from evening peak
- Better option for home charging
- Opportunity for vehicle-to-grid in the future, with EVs providing remunerated services to the grid











DAYTIME

- Maximizes RE share in EV charging: 58-76%
- Significantly reduces RE curtailment from 14.5% to 9.3%
- Supports deployment of additional 12 MW of PV
- Requires investment in public charging infrastructure



....a smart charging approach is critical

EVs & Smart charging – Policies to stimulate EV demand and support charging infrastructure

Country	Targets	EV purchase incentives	Infrastructure support
 China	7 million electric cars on the roads annually by 2025; 200 000 Electric buses by 2020 and around 4000 charging stations	Subsidies to manufacturers	Incentives to city governments to build charging
 Japan	EV market share reaches 50% in total vehicle sales by 2020	Subsidy based on price difference between an EV and a comparable gasoline car (with max 7800 USD)	Government invested in charging infrastructure, public-private partnership with car retailers
 US	State level targets	Tax credits; purchase incentives at states level	Utilities invested in infrastructure
 UK	1.7 million EV by 2020	Premium based on purchasing price for vehicles emitting less than 75 g/km	~44 Mil Euro allocated to charging infrastructure; financing up to 75% EV home chargers
 Netherlands	phase out all petroleum based cars by 2025	Exemption from registration tax	Tax incentives
 Norway	phase out all petroleum based cars by 2025	Exemption from purchase tax, VAT, toll road charges, registration tax and annual circulation tax	1.200 EUR subsidy for every EV charging station in Oslo
 France	2 million EV by 2020	Purchase incentives (6300 Euro for EV) and supplementary bonus (10 000 Euro) for scrapping diesel vehicles	50 Mil Euro allocated to cover 50% of the costs; all newly built residential buildings and workspaces include EV charging points
 India	produce and sell only EV by 2030	Long term scheme (FAME- India)	Pilot project of solar charging points



The new CONSUMER

The increasing role of consumer

The new consumer is also producing, storing, trading energy and managing own load



Distributed generation



Behind the meter storage



Electric vehicles



Smart meters



Digitalisation - Internet of things



Artificial intelligence

IoT and Artificial Intelligence will support the consumer's participation in the energy market

IoT and smart houses and Artificial Intelligence

- ❖ Thermostats, lighting and energy monitoring and controls are increasingly enabled with smart devices that connect with the Internet and can be controlled remotely by smart phones. Adding communication capabilities and remote controls to existing sensors and diagnostics can turn them into an energy management system.
- ❖ Artificial intelligence identifies patterns and controls the load, the same way humans would do

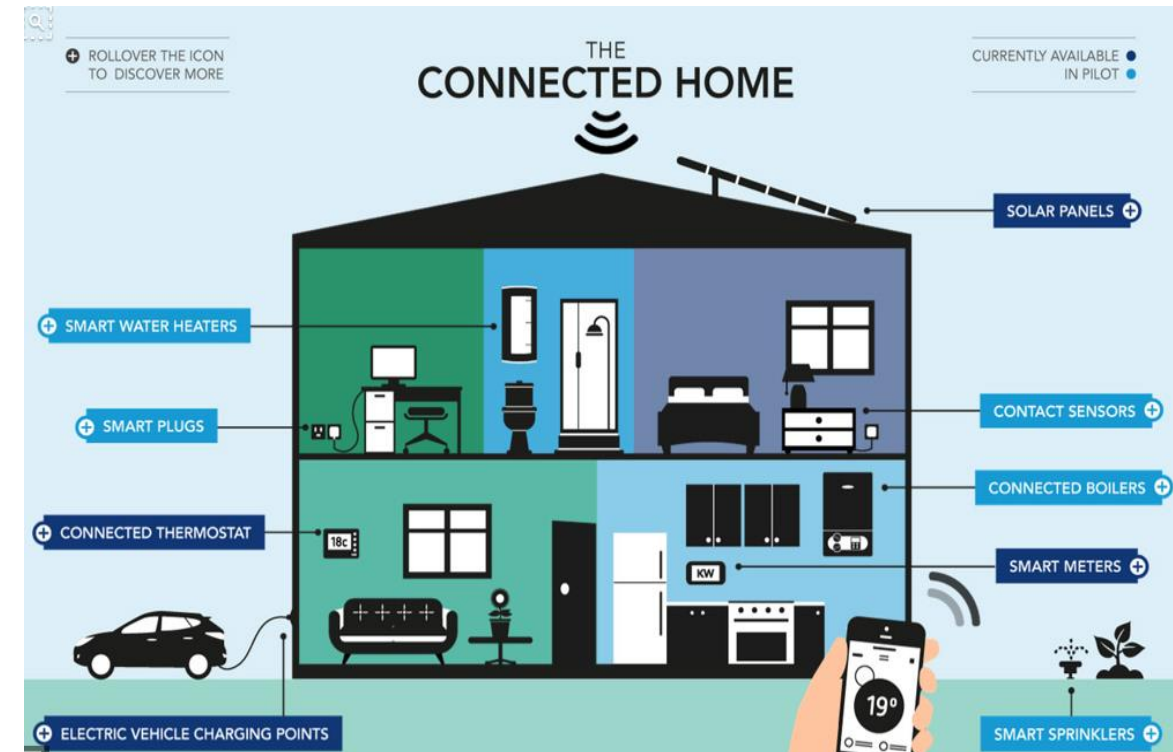


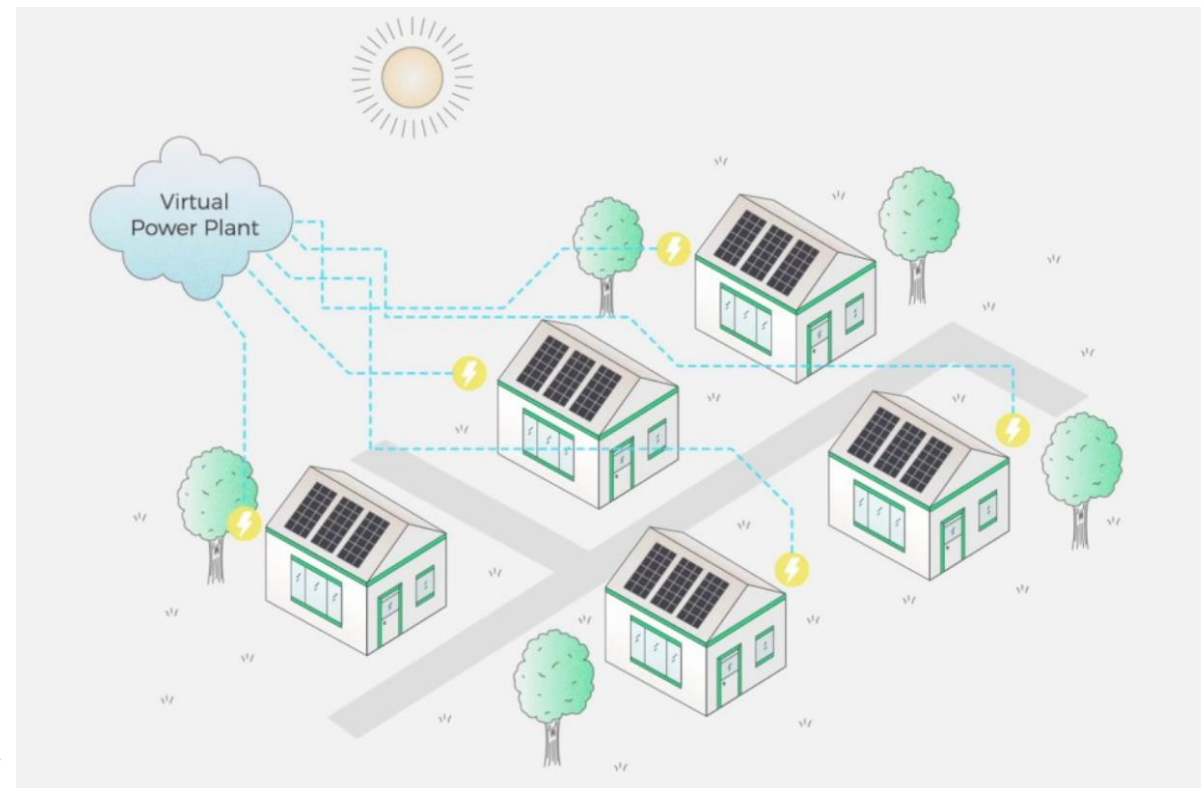
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IoT and AI enable demand side management, decreasing consumers' costs by improving energy efficiency and preventing energy waste

RE aggregator: Virtual Power Plant (VPP)

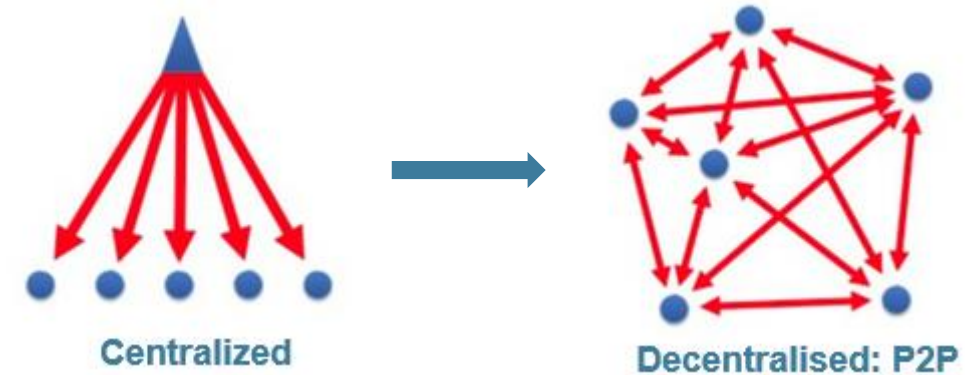
- ❖ VPPs supports distributed RE sources to leverage on the synergies between them and maximize their remuneration
- ❖ Virtual power plants allow coordinating previously uncoordinated renewable generation sources. It can provide the much needed flexibility in the system

Aggregators enable distributed technologies (RE plants, storage) to participate in the energy market



Peer to peer trading

- ❖ Also known as Uber or Airbnb of energy, the platform allows local generators of distributed energy to sell their excess energy at the desired price.
- ❖ With increasing number of smart devices, digitalization and increasing distributed generation, platform based models should see a huge potential in terms of market size and demand in the near future.



Platform based model promote Peer to Peer trading, offering a market place for distributed generation



Examples: PowerPeers (Vattenfall in Netherlands), Solar Coin, E.On Cloud Storage

There are many innovations supporting the energy transition towards 100% RE
Storing electricity will unlock many opportunities, integrating more RE in the grid,
decarbonizing transport sector etc
Consumer's role is increasing: its behaviour is key!

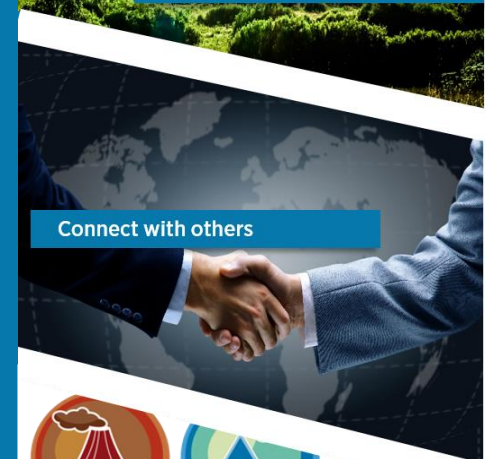




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TRACKING RE TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT TRENDS - INSPIRE YOUR ANALYSIS WITH PATENTS AND STANDARDS

December 5th, 2017



Big question



How to
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Start ups
Think tanks

Intellectual
Property: Patent
Activities

R&D
Investments,
budget

Venture
Capital

R&D
Initiatives

Number of
projects in the
innovation
pipeline



Capacity and Generation



Renewable Energy Balances



Policy



Finance



Cost



Employment



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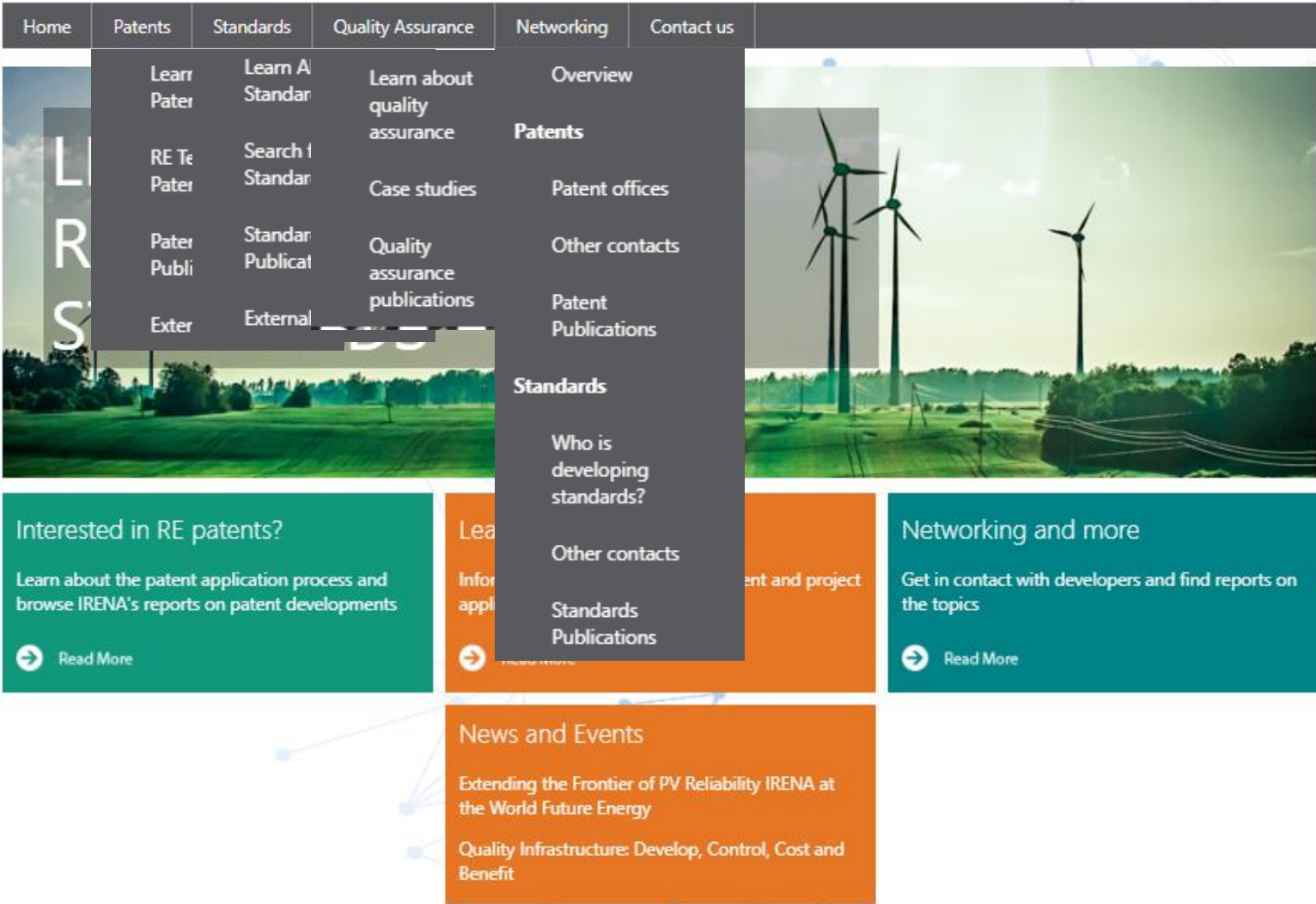
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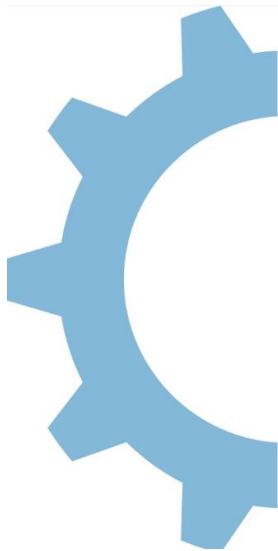
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Which are the latest trends in RE development?

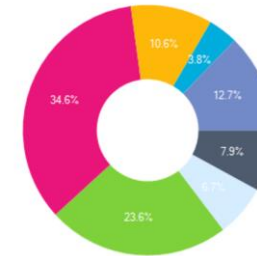


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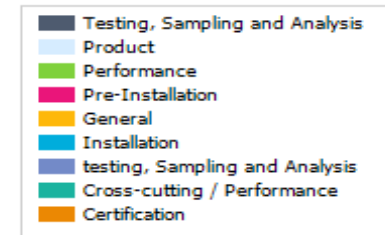
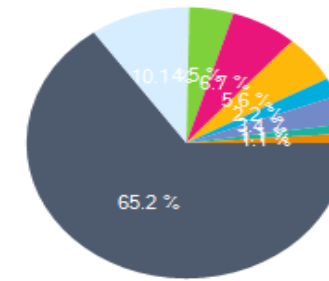
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Project development:
Installation, Operation, Maintenance
Comply with the financing requirements

Improve your analyzes with information about technological innovation

Aspects



Know and be part of a network of experts

Innovative developments - HOT Innovation areas at the moment

Solar PV

Roof systems for PV cells (Y02B 10/12)

PV hubs (Y02B 10/14)

Photovoltaic [PV] energy (Y02E 10/50)

PV systems with concentrators (Y02E 10/52)

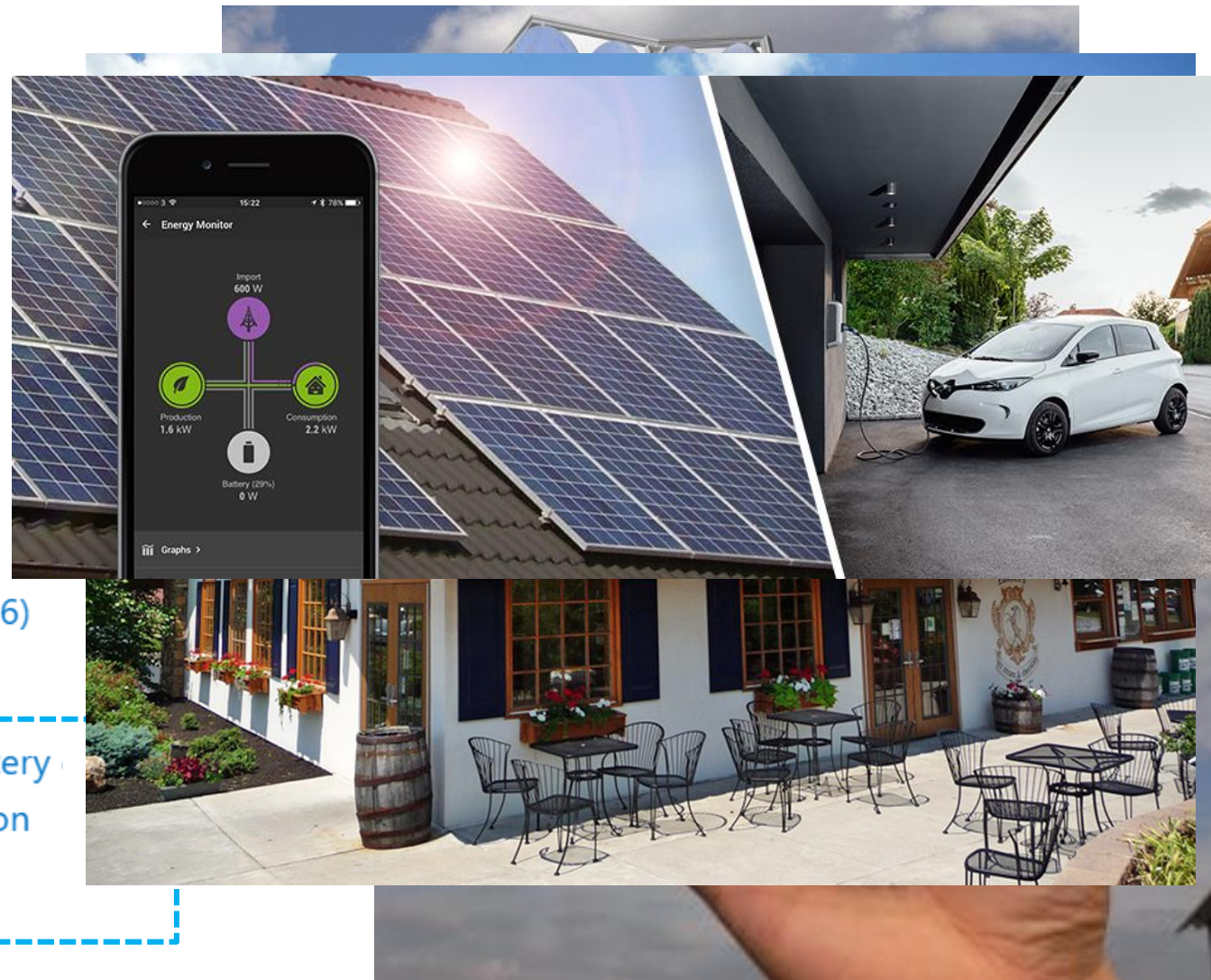
Material technologies (not used; see subgroups) (Y02E

organic PV cells (Y02E 10/549)

Power conversion electric or electronic aspects (Y02E 10/56)

for grid-connected applications (Y02E 10/563)

concerning power management inside the plant , e.g. battery charging/discharging, economical operation, hybridisation with other energy sources (Y02E 10/566)





Wind

Wind power (Y02B 10/30)

Wind energy (Y02E 10/70)

Wind turbines with rotation axis in wind direction (Y02E 10/72)

Blades or rotors (Y02E 10/721)

Components or gearbox (Y02E 10/722)

Control of turbines (Y02E 10/723)

Generator or configuration (Y02E 10/725)

Nacelles (Y02E 10/726)

Offshore towers (Y02E 10/727)

Onshore towers (Y02E 10/728)

Wind turbines with rotation axis perpendicular to the wind direction (Y02E 10/74)

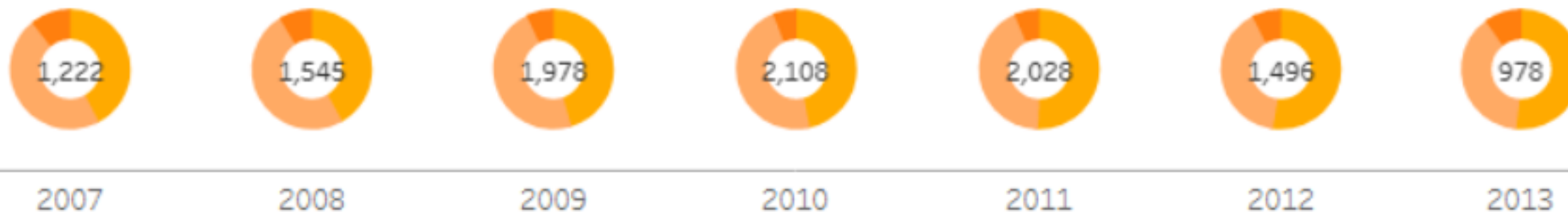
RE Patent Progress in countries

Germany

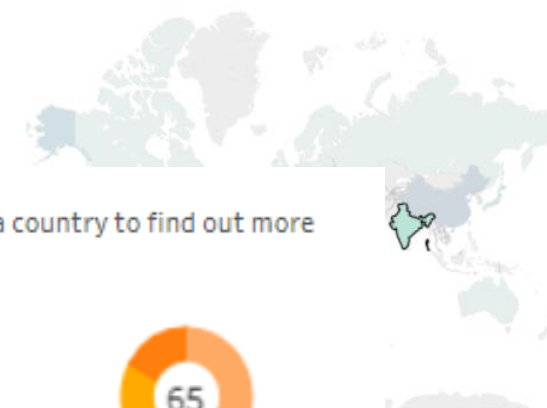


Breakdown by Category (Germany)

Hover over a country to find out more

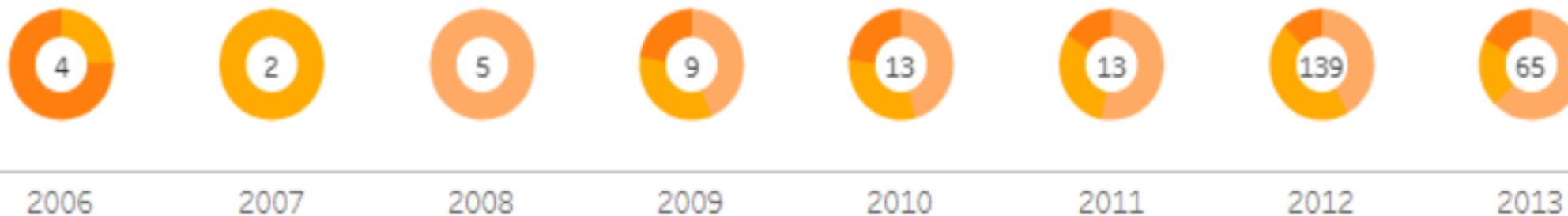


India



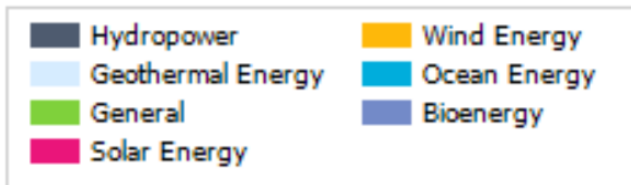
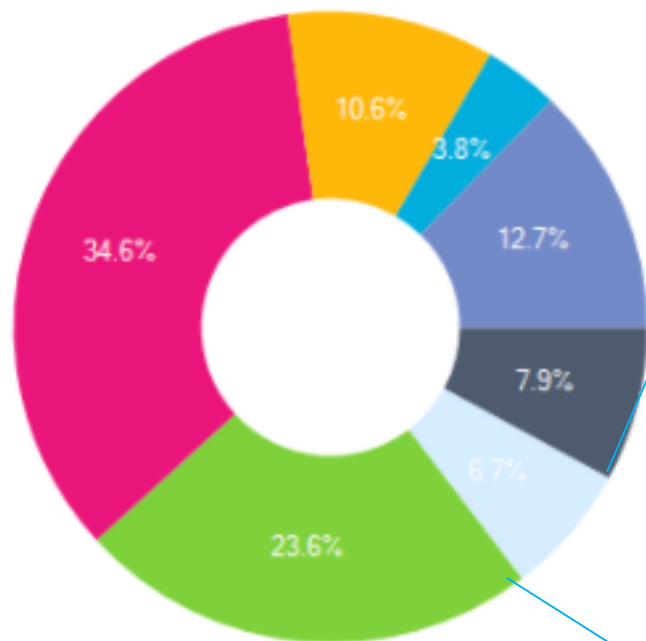
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Standards follow the pace of Innovation

Technology



Technology group

General

Technology sub category

- General
- Electrical
- Rural Elec
- Certification
- Micro CHP
- Smart Grids
- Storage
- Microgrids
- Information Technology

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Around 100 Standards that support latest technological developments:

- JTC1-SC41-8 : Information technology - Internet of Things (IoT) - Interoperability for **Internet of Things Systems** – Part 2: Network connectivity
- IEC 62660-1 ed1.0 : Secondary lithium-ion cells for **the propulsion of electric road vehicles** - Part 1: Performance testing
- IEC TS 62257-4 ed2.0 : Recommendations for **small renewable energy and hybrid systems for rural electrification**. Part 4: System selection and design

Standards follow the pace of Innovation

Today there are technical committees of standards in: **block chain, batteries for ER storage, artificial intelligence, ER integration in the network.**

Others have as part of their focus: **hydrogen, wind energy with floating structures, Marine Energy (OTEC)**



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- ❑ Entrepreneurs/ Inventors
- ❑ Policy makers
- ❑ Technology suppliers



In summary

1. Innovation in RE
2. Want to know how the technology can perform as expected across its life use?

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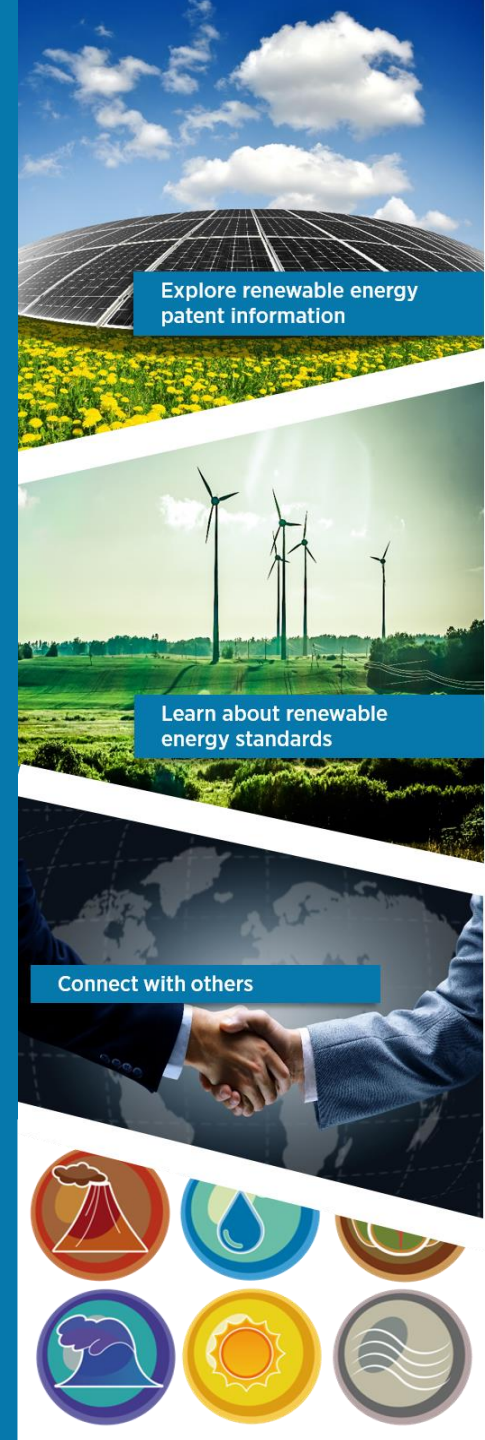
“I assume all this playing will lead to innovation.”



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