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# Combining a high share of variable energy with demand-side flexibility: The WindNODE project

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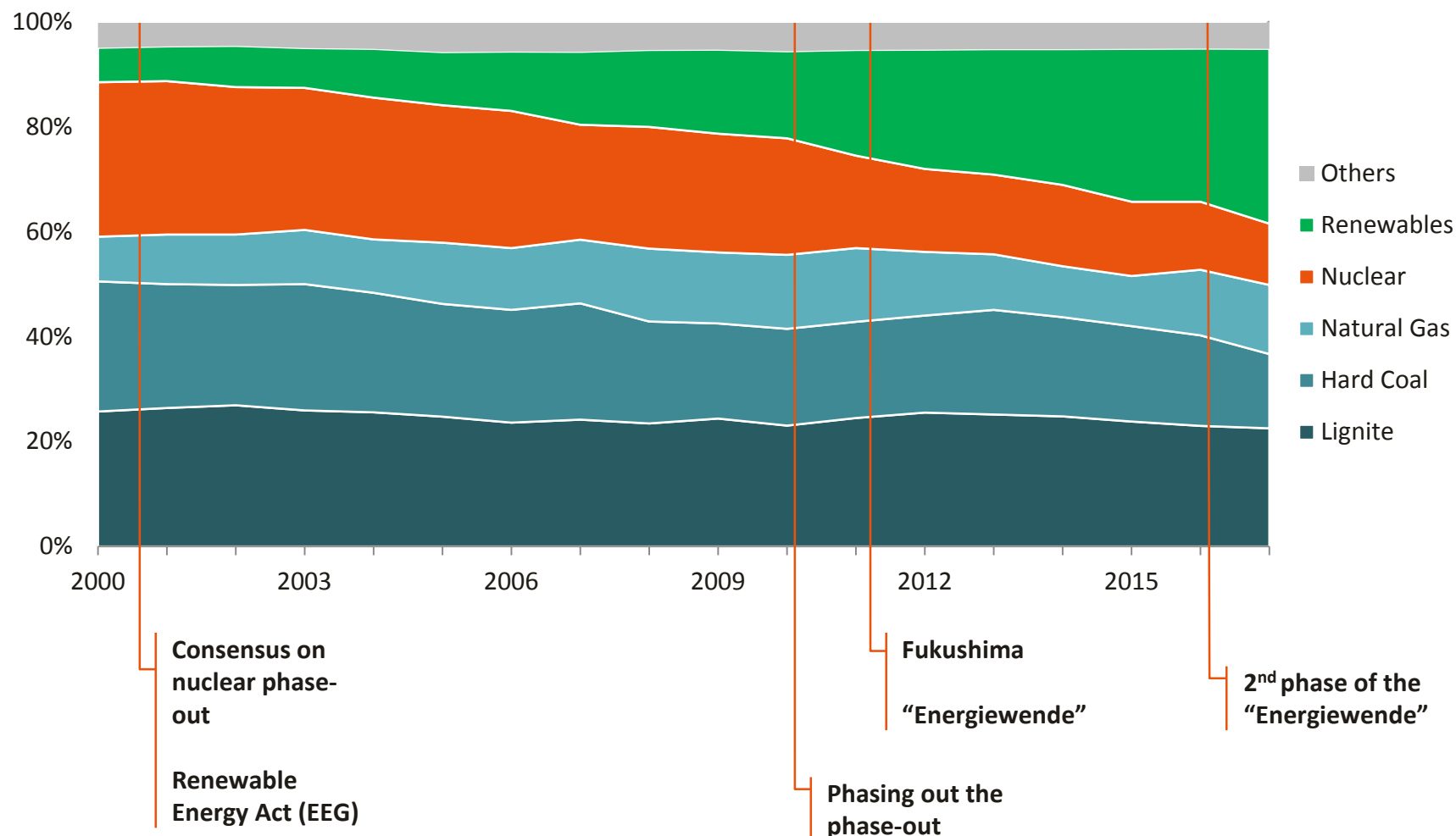
## The German Energy Transition & the WindNODE Project

**Enabling Demand Side Flexibility in Production**

**Outlook**

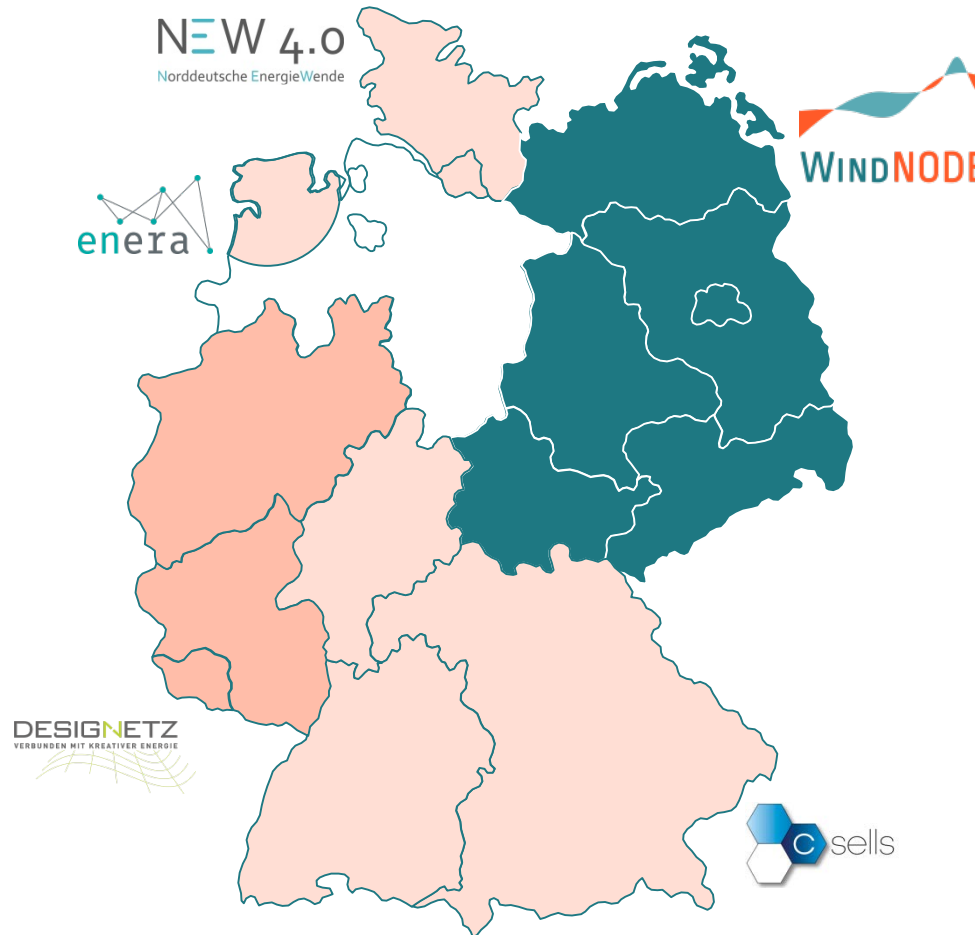
# Over 1/3 of German electricity mix comes from renewables

Gross electricity generation in Germany, percentage of total generation (2017)



# SINTEG program: Field tests for 2nd phase of energy transition

Overview of 5 smart energy showcases



## Challenge & Targets

Scalable solutions for efficient, eco-friendly and safe integration of large amounts of renewables:

- (1) Coping with intermittency
- (2) Decarbonizing other sectors
- (3) Defining “digitalization”
- (4) Renewing energy transition narrative

## Government Funding\*, 2017-2020

230 mio. € for five consortia,  
37 mio. € for WindNODE

## WindNODE – entire East Germany

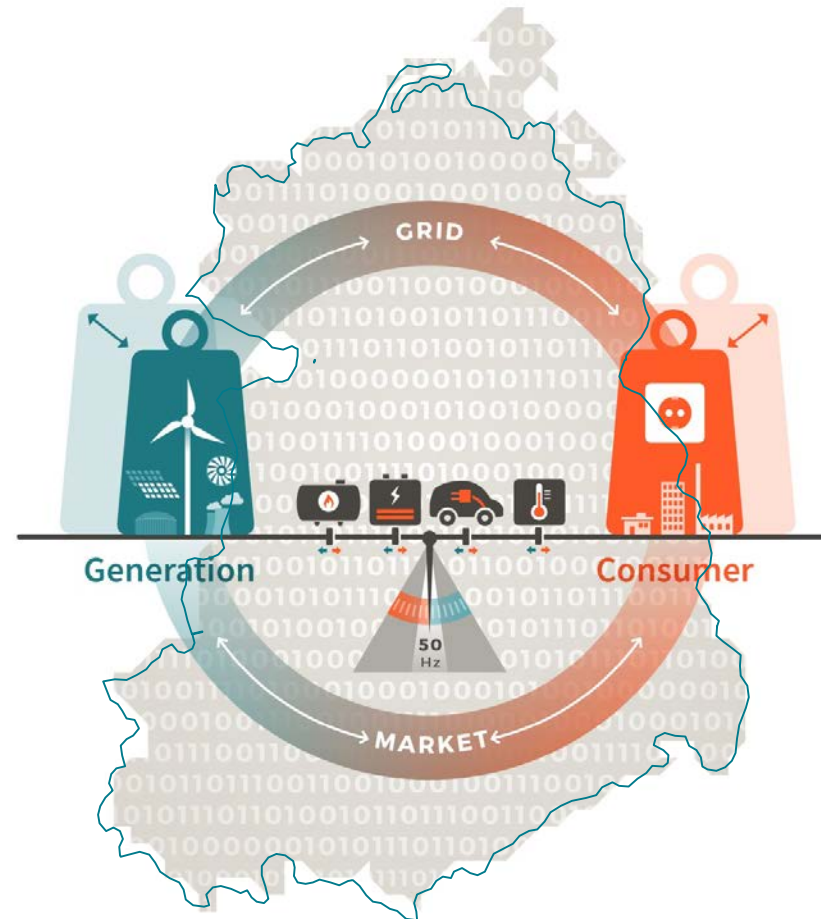
- 6 federal states, 16 mio. people
- 1 control area (50Hertz)
- Renewables frontrunner (> 56%)
- Energy transition challenges

# Utilizing flexibility to cope with intermittence



## WindNODE approach

- ✓ **Identifying flexibility options**  
(technical potential)
- ✓ **Developing use cases for flexibility**  
(economic potential)
- ✓ **Creating value from energy data**  
(digitalisation in the energy space)
- ✓ **Field test**  
(blueprints, narrative, dissemination)



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# Demand Side Flexibility in Production

## Partners in Workpackage 7.2



### Four Siemens facilities participate in demand side management effort

**Siemens Dynamowerk Berlin**  
110 years of Innovation from Berlin



**Siemens Measurement Equipment Plant Berlin**  
Intelligent Instrumentation for the Energy Transition



### Siemens Targets

- 1) Learn what industrial load management can contribute to integrate renewables and reduce electricity costs
- 2) Understand how to consider thermal, mechanic and electrochemical production- and peripheral processes in different manufacturing sites.
- 3) Develop new functions for Siemens control products

**Siemens Gas Turbine Plant Berlin**  
Power from Berlin.



**Siemens Switchgear Plant Berlin**  
Competence Center for switchgear technology





# Demand Side Flexibility in Production Approach



1

Installation of SICAM metering devices and energy data management system Spectrum Power 5

2

Analysis of processes with production experts

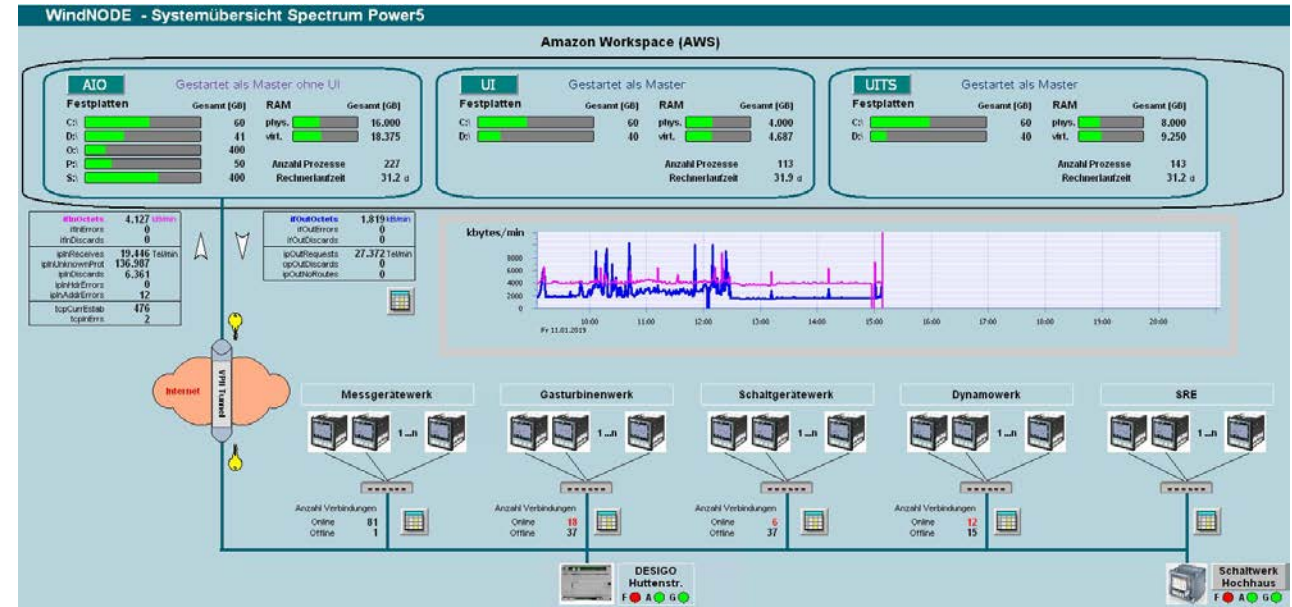
3

Apply load shifting concepts

- „fixed shifting“
- „not projectable, but flexible“
- „projectable & manually operated“
- „projectable & fully automated“

4

Load prognosis optimization for production planning



WindNODE system overview in Spectrum Power 5 (Certified Energy Management System acc. to DIN ISO 50001)

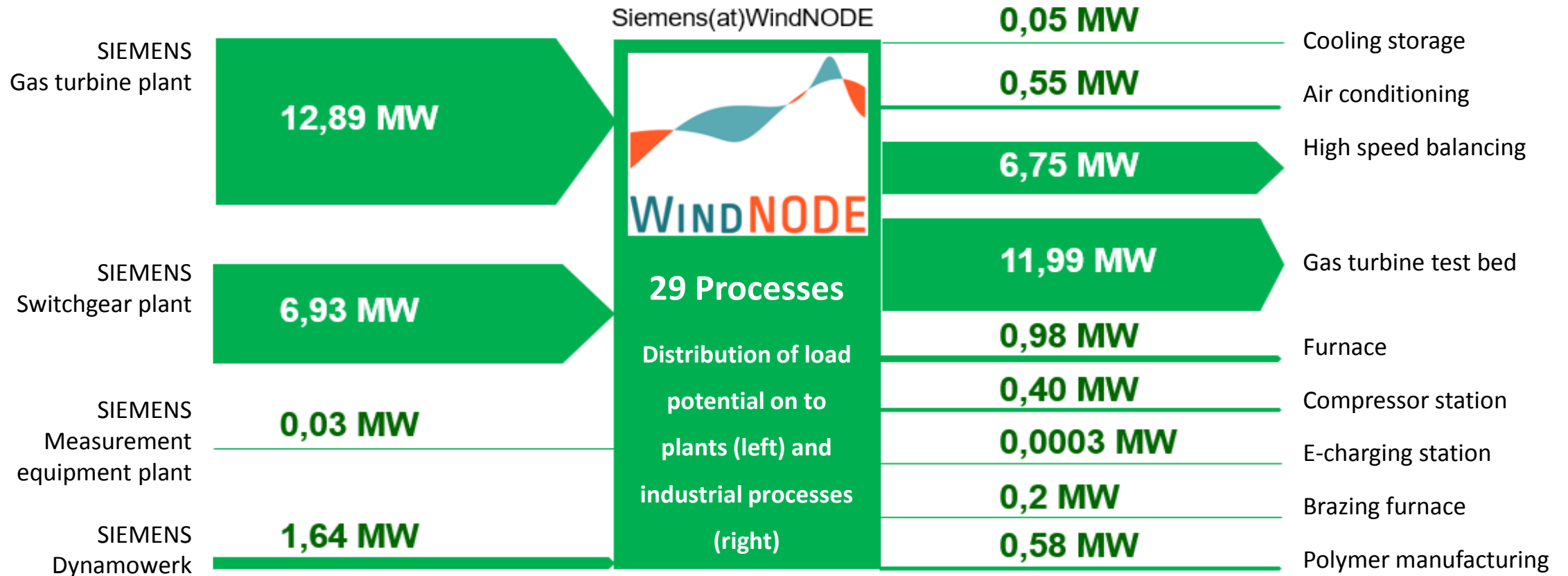


# Demand Side Flexibility in Production

## Identifying Flexible Processes



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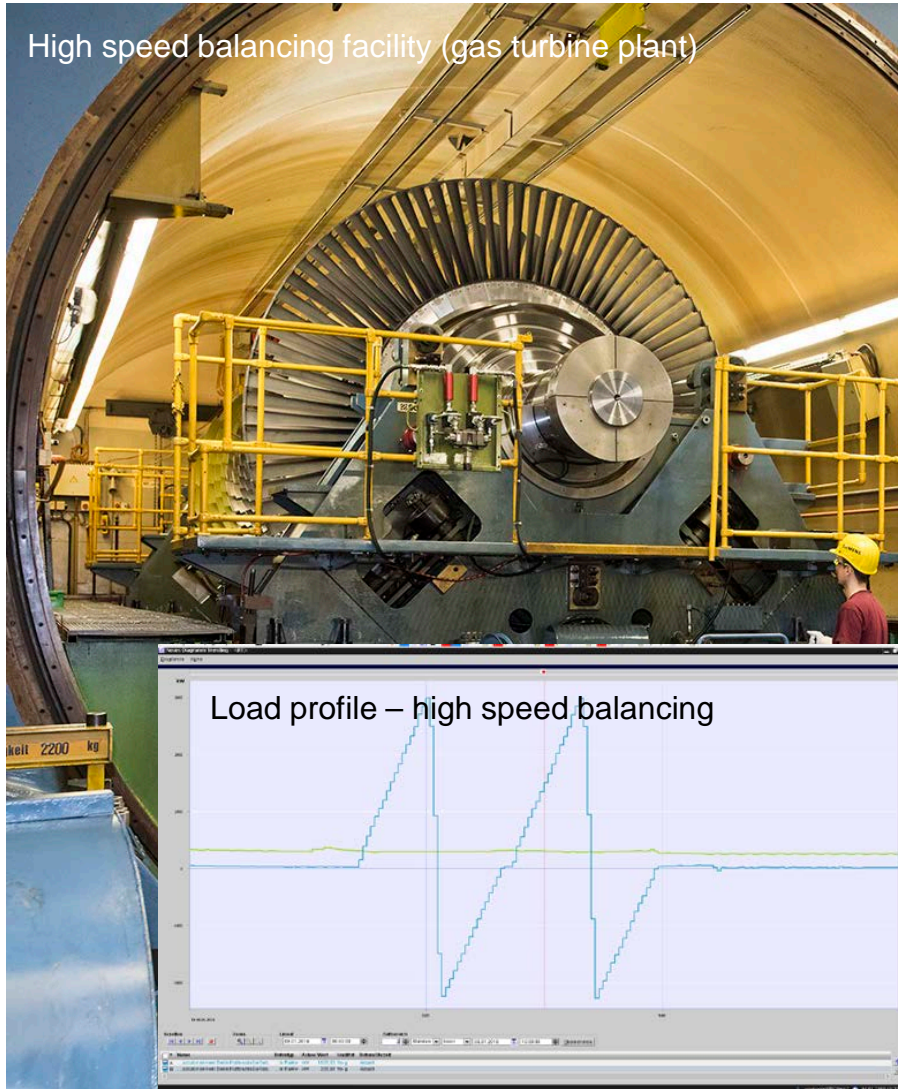


# Demand Side Flexibility in Production

## Understanding flexibility and means of control



High speed balancing facility (gas turbine plant)



### Type of flexibility: Example: Preferred control for balancing facility

Include availability of renewable energy into production planning

→ Time frame ~ 3 days



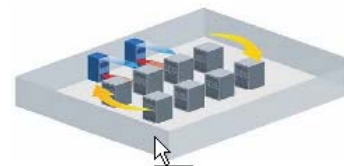
Show current energy availability at production machine in order to provide flexibility to operator

→ Time frame ~ 3 hours



Closed loop control of production equipment based on current renewable energy availability

→ Time frame ~ < 1 min.



Utilization of “Spectrum Power 5” (Certified Energy Management System) for the analysis of the internal energy demand according to DIN ISO 50001



# Demand Side Flexibility in Production

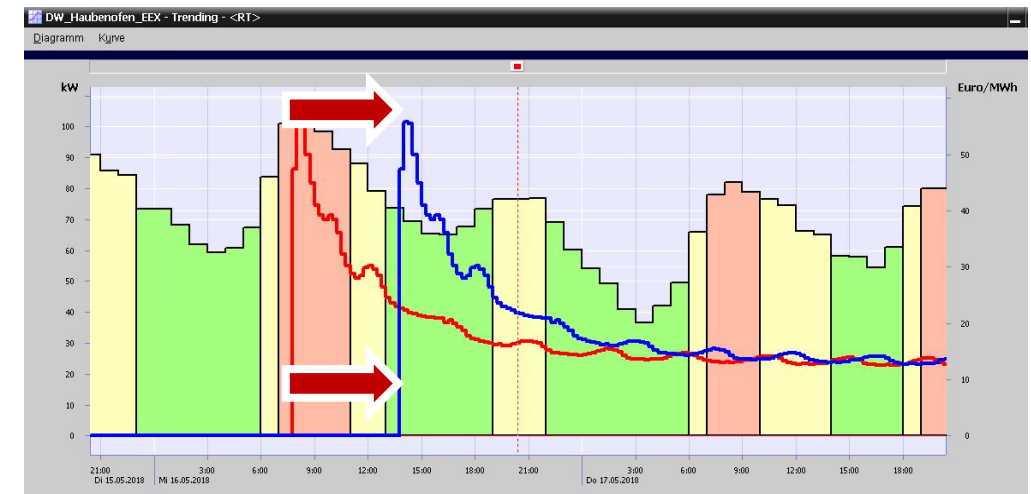
## Optimization process

One optimization per grid connection

- **Input:** Price time series, flexibility time slots, opportunity costs
- **Minimize target function:** Total costs (power supply, network access, opportunity costs)
- **Degrees of freedom:** Load profile of flexible processes („typical“) can be shifted within the time slot. Max. power restrictions not to be exceeded.
- **Results:** Starting times of flexible processes and load forecast



Brazing furnace with 3 typical production related load profiles



Optimized furnace process with electricity price curve in the background

# Demand Side Flexibility in Production

## Commercialization of flexible loads by activation time



**Very short-term**  
(activation time: 5 s – 60 min)  
→ **Reserve Power**

**Short-term**  
(activation time: 45 min – 24 h)  
→ **Intraday Power Trading**

**Medium-term**  
(activation time: 12 h – 36 h)  
→ **Day-ahead Power Trading**

**Static**  
→ **Peak load shaving, load profile optimization  
for long-term power purchase**

**Not suitable**

**High**

**High**

**Production  
planning**

**Technical  
requirements**

**Compensation  
/ Saving**

**Very suitable**

**Low**

**Low**

**High**

**Flexible loads have been traded over WindNODE flexibility platform already**

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## The German Energy Transition & the WindNODE

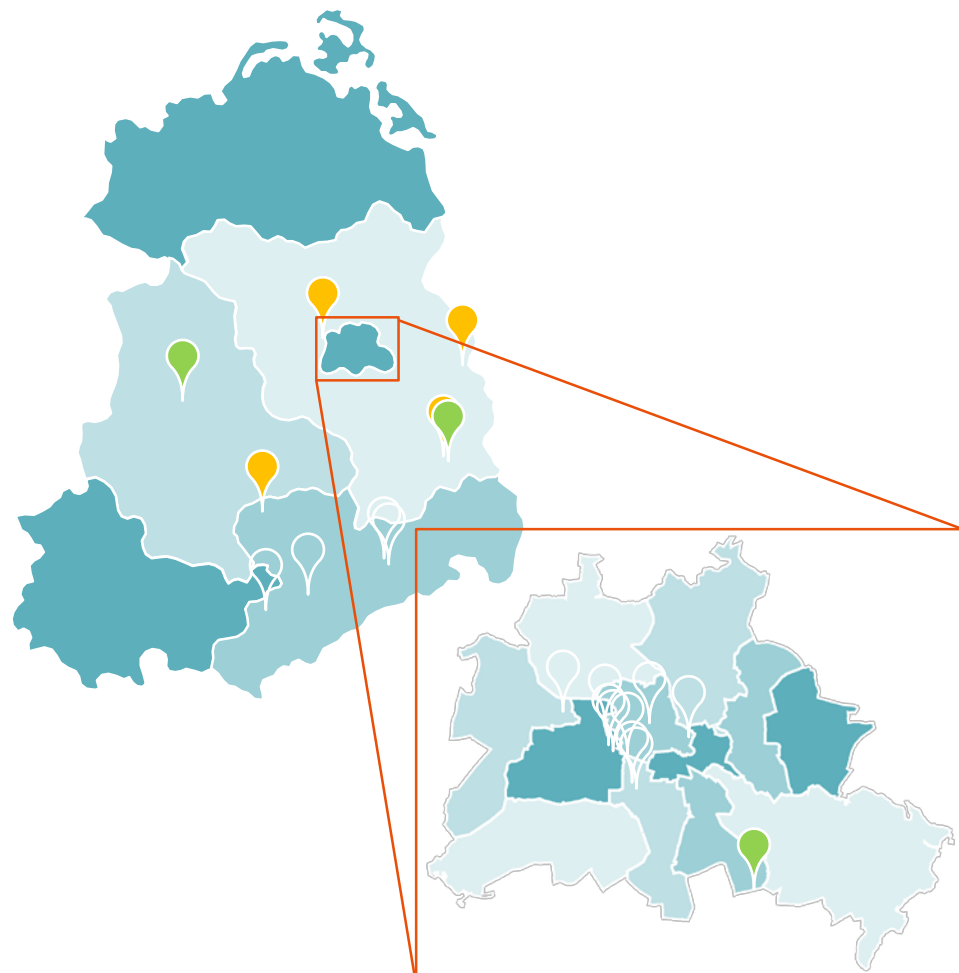
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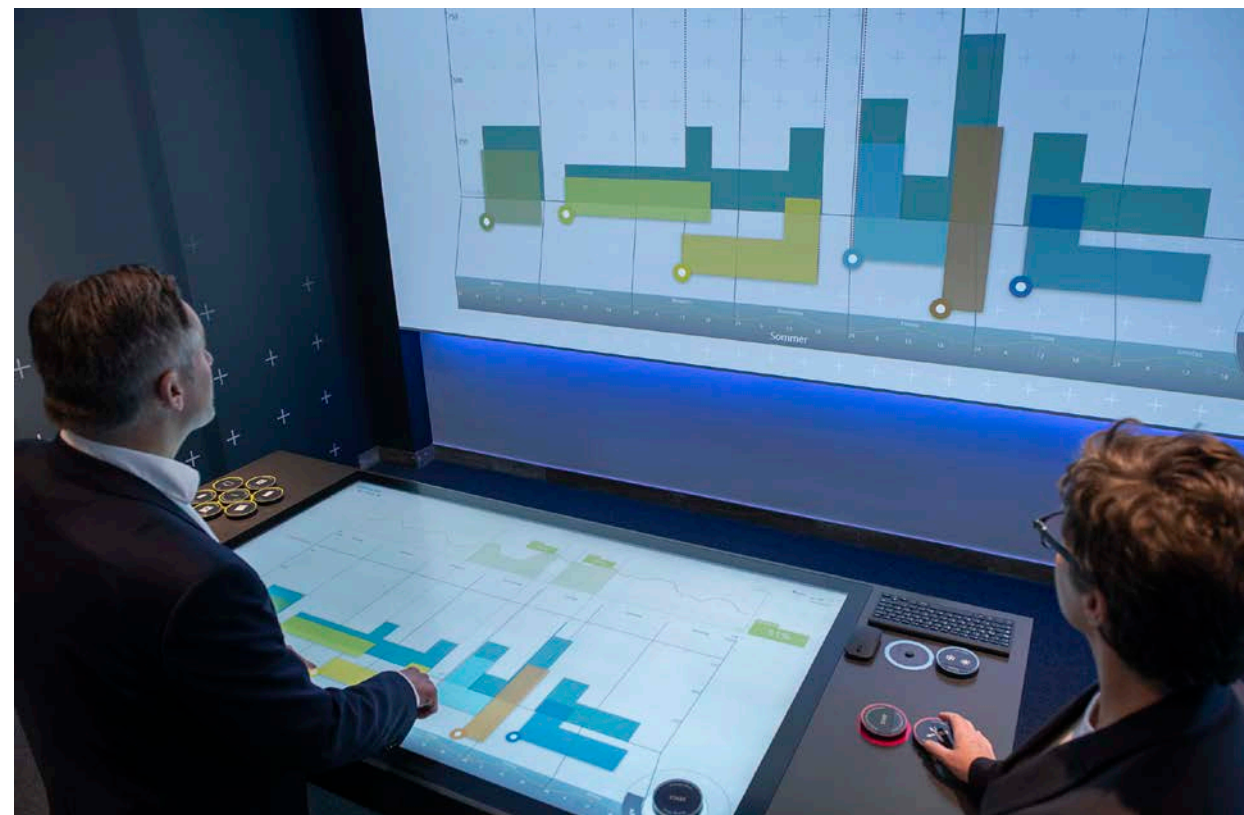
## More than 20 “visitor sites” are planned

Overview of selected “visitor sites”, more are coming



Source: [www.windnode.de/en/concept/showcase](http://www.windnode.de/en/concept/showcase)

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Experience Demand Side Management  
@ Siemens Showroom (Berlin, Nonnendammallee)

# Combining Expertise in Renewables and Hydrogen

## Outlook for a region with “energy & transition” expertise



### Examples for potential future projects in East Germany

**Power-to-Gas.** Government have recently launched their call for “Reallabor” applications (“reality labs” = showcases at a high Technology Readiness Level) with a focus on Power-to-Gas\*\*. Up to EUR 100 mio. funding per year. Reference Plant Lausitz selected for realization.

**Phasing out coal.** Most likely, lignite will be phased out by 2038. Strong political attention for a major transformation effort. Currently, there is intensive discussion on perspectives for former coal regions. Hydrogen & sector coupling as promising approaches.





# A joint effort by > 70 partners from industry and academia



## WindNODE partners

### Steering Group



### Partners



### Associated Partners



### Subcontractors



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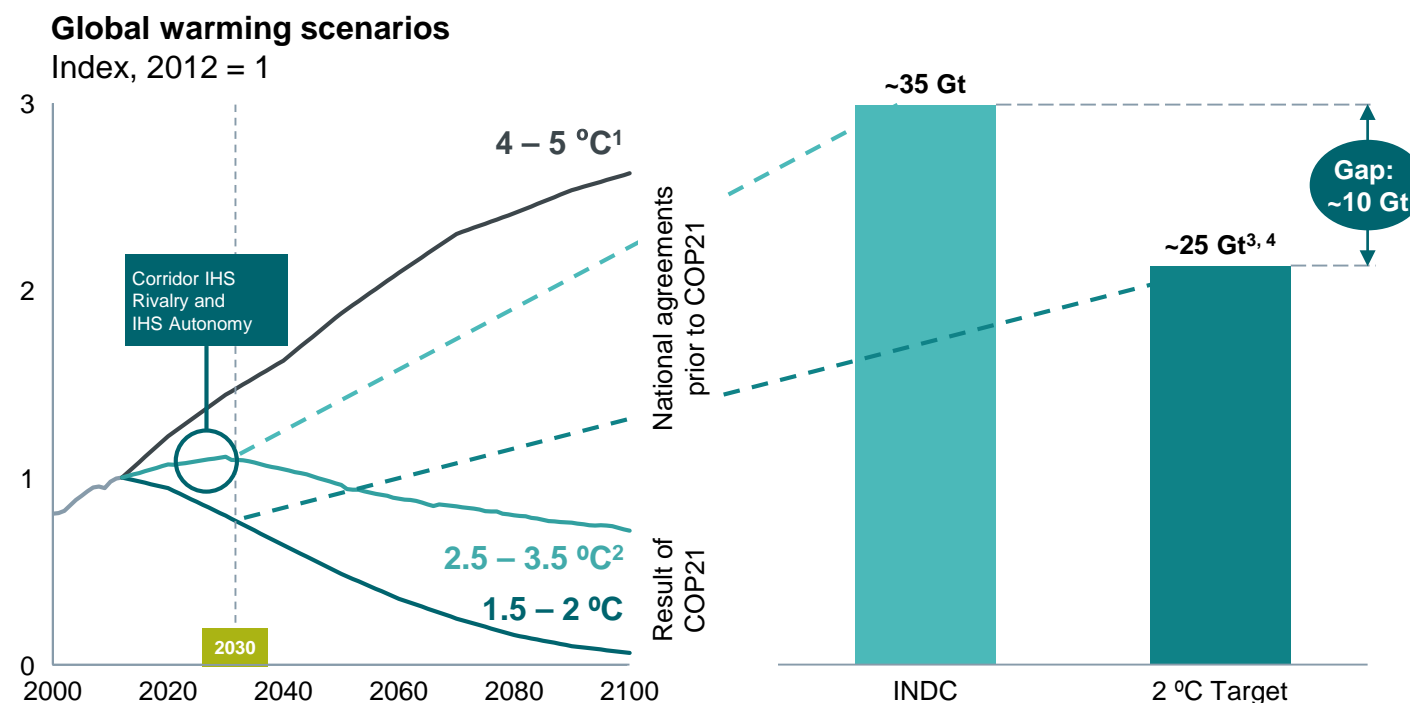
# Reduction of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions is critical to limit global warming to below current commitments (considered unsustainable)



Increasingly ambitious targets from COP21 leave the world ...

... with a significant CO<sub>2</sub> gap<sup>3</sup>, already in 2030 ...

... which needs to be closed to achieve 1.5 – 2 °C target



## Transition of power generation mix

- Coal to natural gas (short term)
- Aggressive renewable growth
- Natural gas to sustainable hydrogen (long term)

## Efficient energy management

- Electricity storage for intermittent renewables
- Smart grid technology for demand response

## Improved energy efficiency

- Efficient use of energy
- Green electrification of transportation and heat (sector coupling)

<sup>1</sup> Business as usual (BAU), without any emission reduction effort | <sup>2</sup> Intended Nationally Determined Contributions (pre-COP21 commitments) |

<sup>3</sup> BAU & INDC data based on CO<sub>2</sub> equiv., whereas scenarios only provide CO<sub>2</sub> emissions which are ~33% lower than total CO<sub>2</sub> equiv |

<sup>4</sup> Following Climate Action Tracker (~38 Gt CO<sub>2</sub> equiv. in 2030) | **Source:** CD ST SU, PV/Energy Mix Project Team, IEA

# “Energiewende” was essentially an “electricity transition”



Energy concept 2050, decided in 2010 – Government’s assessment report 2018\*

	Base year	Status 2016	Assessment**	Target 2020	Target 2050
<b>Greenhouse gas emissions</b>	1990	- 27.3%		- 40%	≤ - 80%
<b>Nuclear power phase-out</b>				by 2022	
<b>Renewables ... share of gross final energy consumpt.</b>		14.8%		18%	60%
... share of gross electricity consumption		31.6%		35%	≥ 80%
<b>Energy efficiency ... primary energy demand</b>	2008	- 6.5%		- 20%	- 50%
... heat demand of building stock	2008	- 6.3%		- 20%	
... final energy consumption in transportation	2005	4.2%		- 10%	- 40%
<b>Security of supply ... transmission grid expansion</b>					
... redispatch					
... system average interruption duration index (SAIDI)					
<b>Prices</b>					
<b>Acceptance</b>					

\* Selected indicators in 7 major assessment dimensions

\*\* Assessment by independent expert commission – qualitative assessment if no performance indicator is shown

Source: 6<sup>th</sup> Monitoring Report for the Energy Transition (Sechster Monitoring-Bericht zur Energiewende), 2018;

Assessment Report of the Independent Expert Commission “Monitoring-Prozess Energie der Zukunft”, 2018

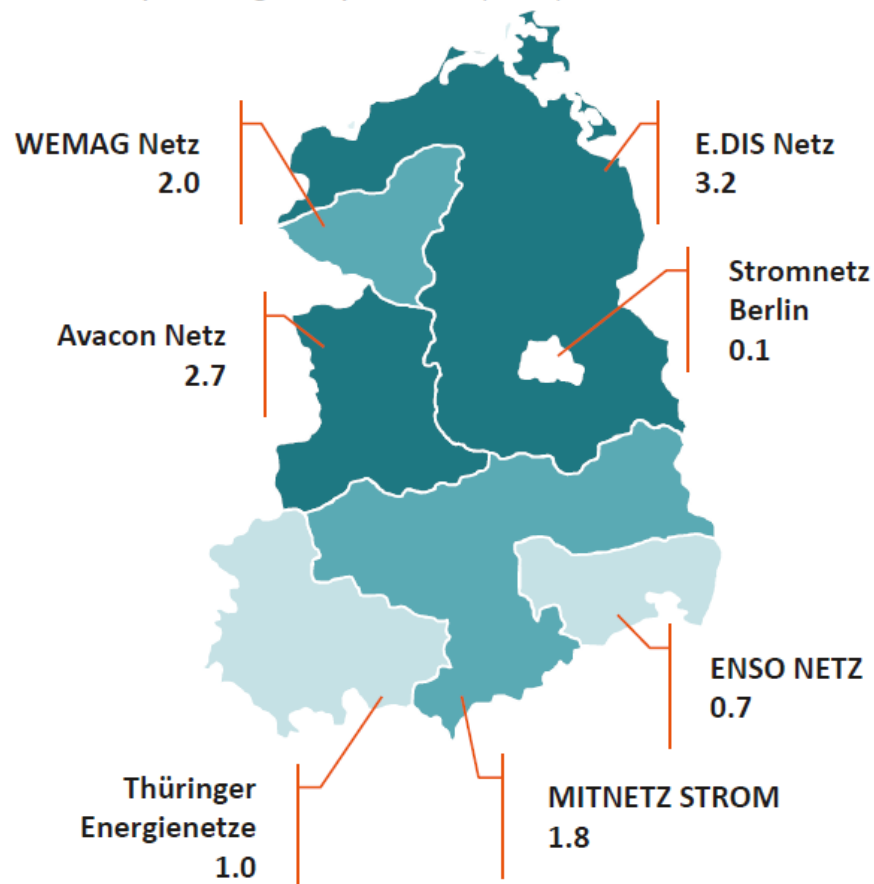


# WindNODE – showcase from the German capital region



## Installed renewable capacity per DSO\* in our region

as a multiple of regional peak load (2014)



## Our region's USPs (2017)

### Entire East of Germany

- 6 federal states
- ca. 16 mio. people
- 1 control area (50Hertz)
- > 70 partner

### Renewables frontrunner

- > 53% of the region's electricity is green

### Energy transition challenges

- Grid congestion: Redispatch on 171 days, ~ 2% curtailment of renewables
- Large grid expansion projects
- Structural transformation in Lausitz region

\* DSO = Distribution System Operator

Source: 50Hertz, GridLab, BMWi, Projektträger Jülich, WindNODE



# Abundance of technical flexibility options



Approach and intermediate results of selected partners

## ✓ Identifying flexibility options (technical potential)

## ✓ Developing use cases for flexibility (economic potential)

## ✓ Creating value from energy data (digitalisation in the energy space)

## ✓ Field test (blueprints, narrative, dissemination)

- Model supermarkets at Lidl & Kaufland
- PtH/PtC at GASAG Solution Plus
- BMW second life battery farm, Leipzig
- 4 Siemens factories, Berlin
- Germany's biggest PtH (120 MW) at Vattenfall
- High temperature heat storage (600 ° C) by Lumenion, GEWO BAG, Vattenfall
- Fluid ice storage unit, ILK Dresden
- Flexibility in water & sewage treatment, BWB



# Flexibility platform for grid congestion management



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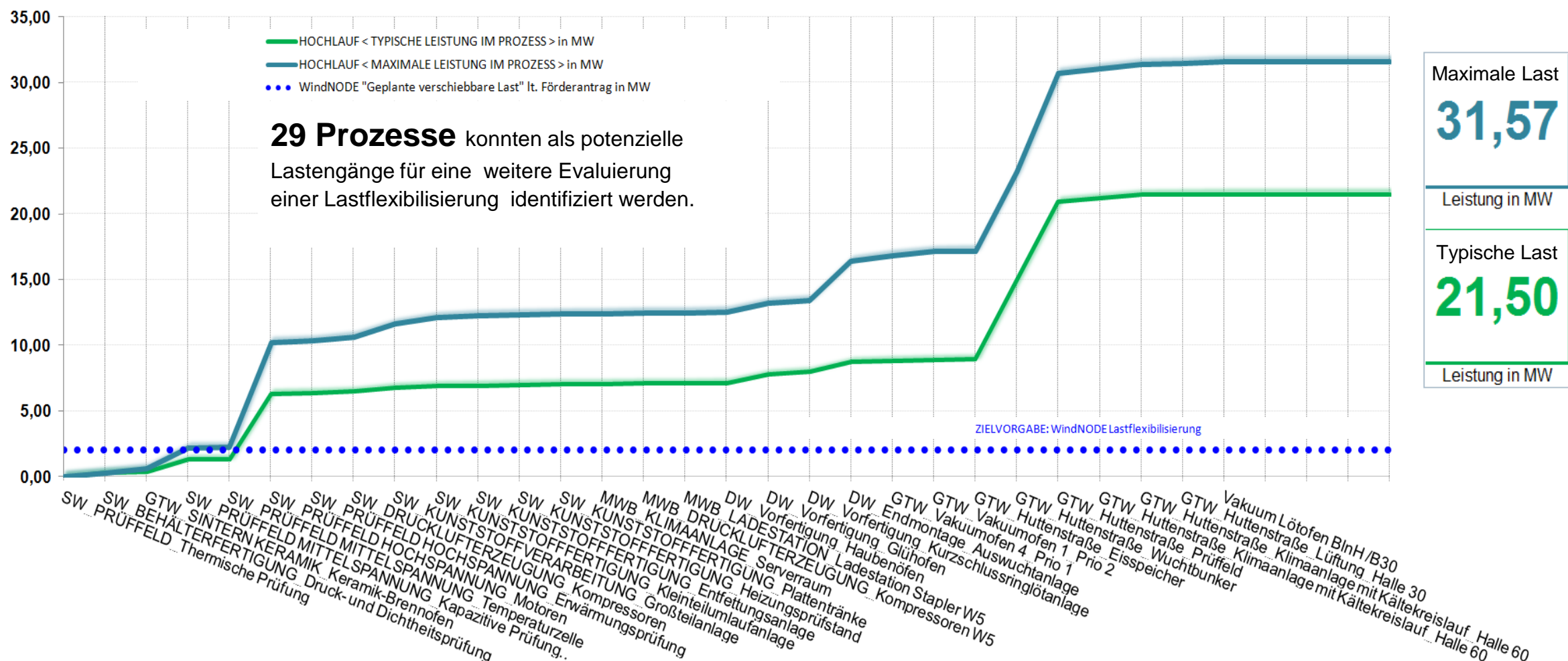
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- WindNODE flexibility platform starts test operation, 11 Nov 2018, by 50Hertz, Stromnetz Berlin and various DSOs
- First real trade at the flexibility platform, 14 March 2019, with offers by Lidl, Siemens and Vattenfall
- Continuation of test operation





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# Driver and barriers for industrial load management



## Barriers

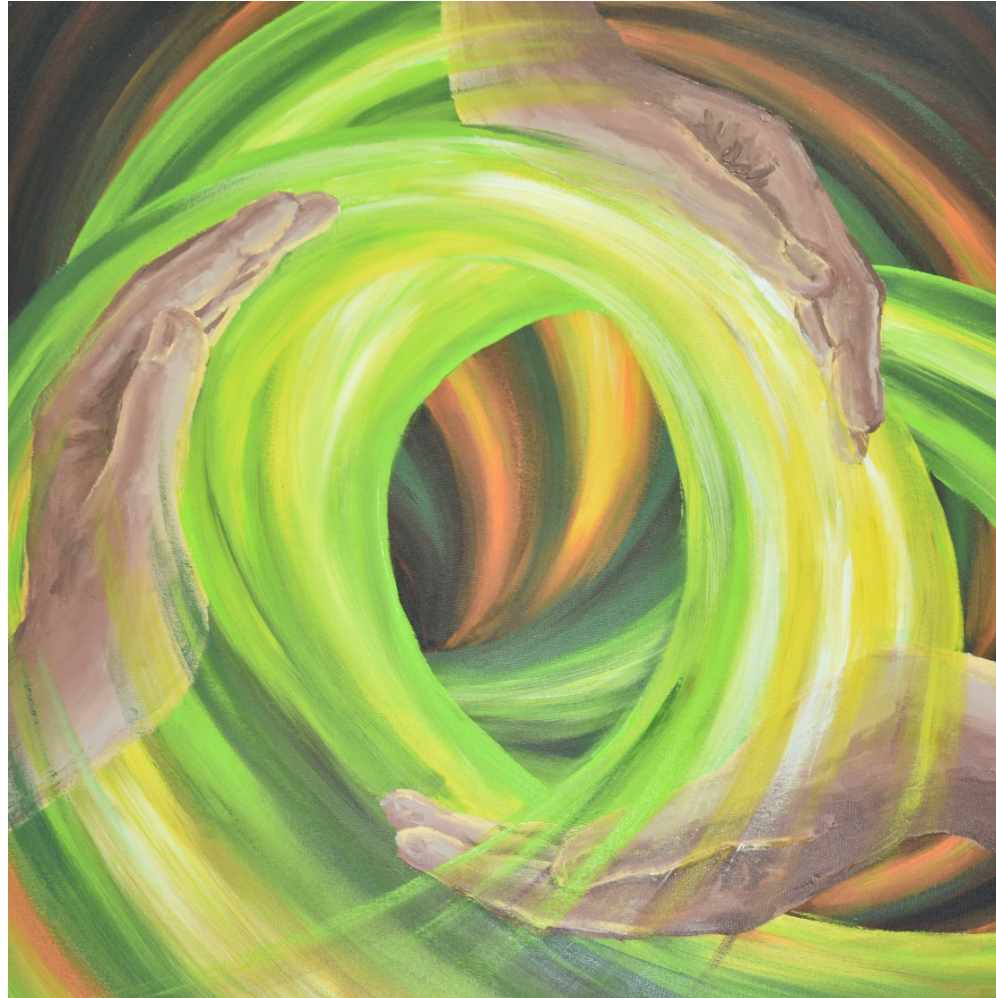
Energy costs are small compared to total production costs (processes looked at above)  
High implementation effort (change in manufacturing setup)  
Future competition: Flexible power applications, e.g. e-mobility, P2G and power storages

## Drivers

Increase of renewables installation/ decrease of controllable power generation  
New energy services (e.g. flexible electricity tariffs)  
Flexibility friendly or obligate regulation  
Synergies with predictive maintenance and energy efficiency measures  
Increasing digitalization of production  
Increasing demand of carbon neutral power

# New perspectives on energy transition: “Energy & Art“

The vision: “Joint responsibility for a successful energy transition“



*One example out of  
50 artworks which  
have been jointly  
created in groups of  
energy experts  
together with artists*