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Smart, Sustainable and Low-Carbon growth of electricity systems

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Future power mix issues



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Future power mix : a major issue for the next decades

- **Huge investments** are forecasted in the power sector ▶ Jump to IEA prediction.
- **Electricity environmental impact** are consequent: power generation stands for more than 45% of Carbon Dioxide emissions.

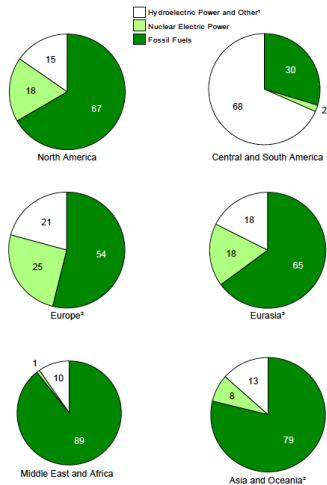


Figure: Power generation by region Source: AER 2009.

Trend towards low carbon future power system

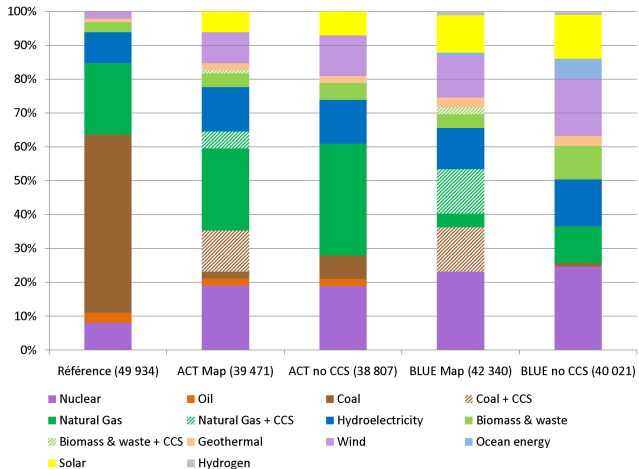


Figure: Power Generation Mix Scenarios ETP 2008

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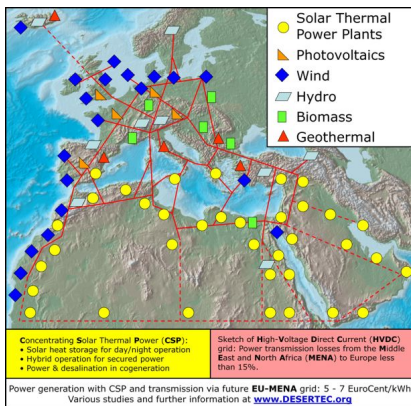
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New paradigms present major technical challenges



Technical Solutions

- embedded solutions
 - *Energy Efficiency*
 - *Smart* solutions : grids, water, sustainable cities ...
- *integration of intermittency at large scale;*
- *mobility* : electric, biofuels,..
- *centralized / decentralized grid.*

Figure: All-Renewable Electricity Generation in 2050. Source: DESERTEC.

In order to elaborate a Smart transition for the power sector

Smart

Desirable, Plausible, Sustainable

it is mandatory to sort out the **imbroglio of technical recommendations and policies** throughout a long term approach, always revisited and that allows to:

- reconcile time and space scales
- assess the global impact of the proposed solutions
- consider the externalities
- propose a trade-off to taking into account competitions and substitutions

TIMES as a Prospective tool

"What we have the right to ask a conceptual model is that it seize on the strategic relationships that control the phenomenon it describes and that it thereby permit us to manipulate, i.e., **think about the situation**"

Source: R. Dorfman, P. A. Samuelson, R. M. Solow



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Competitions, substitutions and coherence

TIMES

A technical linear optimization model, **open-source** developed in the framework of **ETSAP**: Energy Technology Systems Analysis Program initiated by the IEA (in 1980)

- demand driven
- on a long term horizon: (50/100 years)
- in order to achieve a **technico-economic optimum** minimizing the overall actualized cost of the reference energy system

- 1 whose flows are balanced
- 2 satisfying a set of relevant technical constraints (peak reerve for the power system,...)

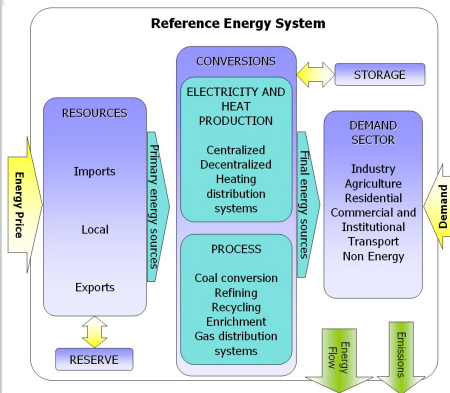


Figure: The Integrated MarkAl (market allocation)-EFOM Reference Energy System

The use of scenarios: prospective versus prediction

Energy planning modelling through TIMES enables to:

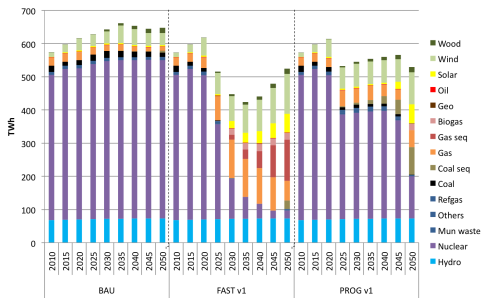
- envision all the possible futures
- in order to **lighten** tomorrow's consequences of today's choices and decisions

- Instead of using **scenarios kept in a stock**

- each question requires a **flow of dedicated scenarios**, to assess a future power system

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Reliability of power systems



Power production carbon tax and carbon cap

☞ Assessing the production mix **relevance** and **plausibility** : reliability issue.



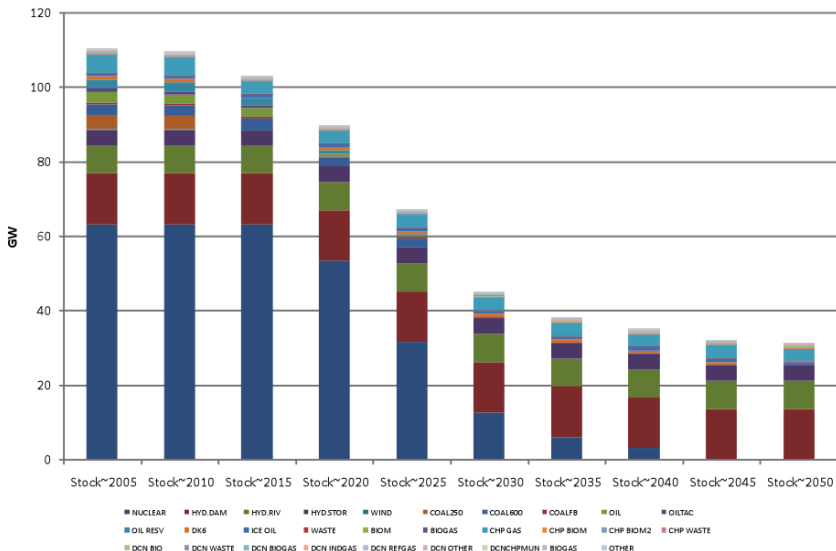
Figure: Europe from orbit during the Italian blackout (Sept. 28th, 2003). Source: RTE.

French electricity paradigm



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Nuclear power replacement is the main driver for the future



Replacement of existing capacities

Major uncertainties remain

- ☞ lifetime : discussion has moved from 30 to 60 years
 - debate in 1999 : between 30 and 40 years [Bataille, Galey 1999] (nominal 30)
 - today discussions : between 40 and 60 years
 - PPI 2009 recommends : more than 40 years submitted to ASN agreement
 - **our assumption**: Smooth profile

Nuclear residual installed capacities profiles

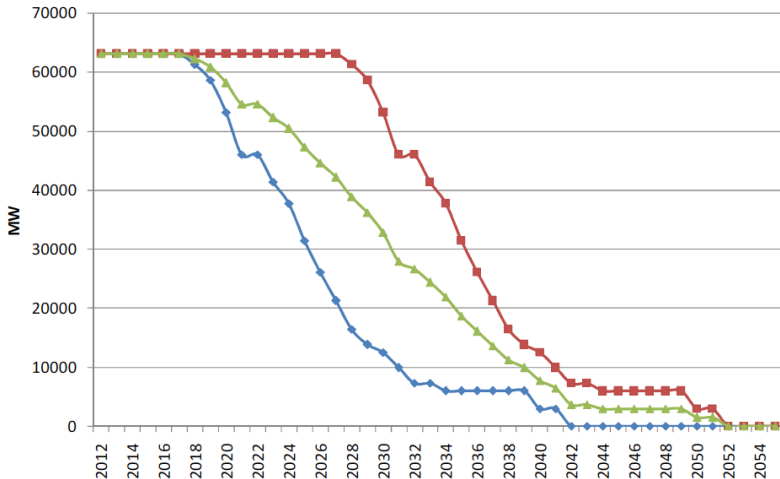
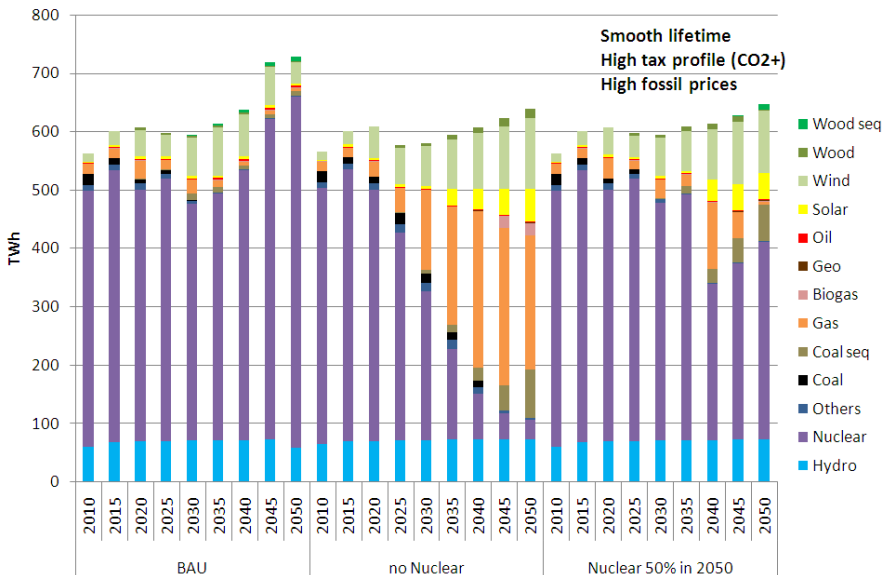


Figure: Residual installed capacities : lifetime 40 years Smooth 60 years

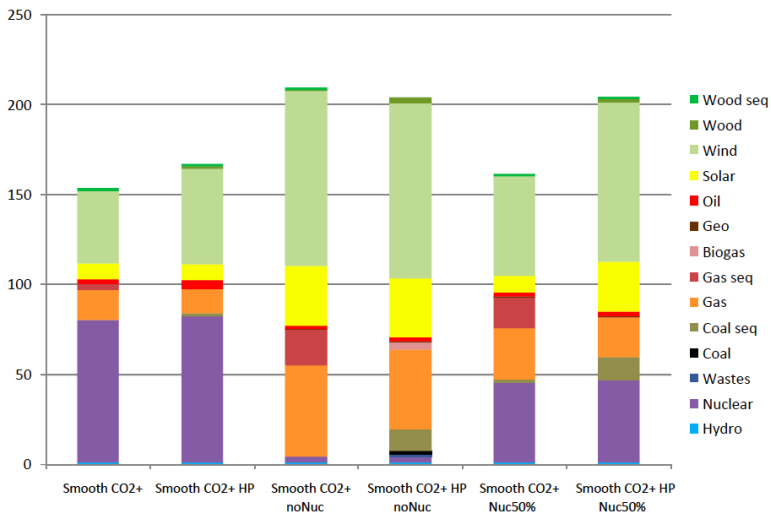
Fossil price and CO₂ tax sensitivity : High Prices, High Tax



Huge investments are needed



new generation capacities to secure power supply



Reliability issues



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Future Power System : Reliability of electricity supply



Figure: Europe from orbit during the Italian blackout (Sept. 28th, 2003). Source: French TSO.

Technical constraints binding the operation of the future power system are related to:

- the given **level and spatial distribution** of loads and capacities;
 - the expected **level of reliability** to prevent from power outages.
- ☞ Where **reliability** is the capability of the power system to withstand sudden disturbances due to load fluctuations.

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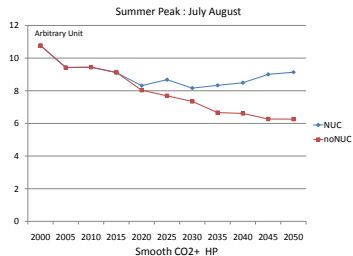
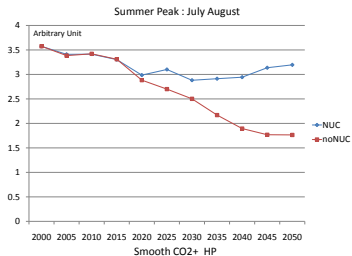
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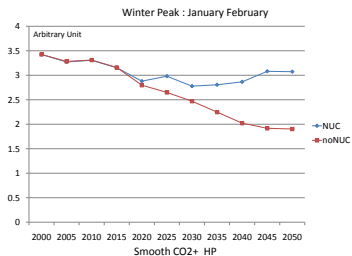
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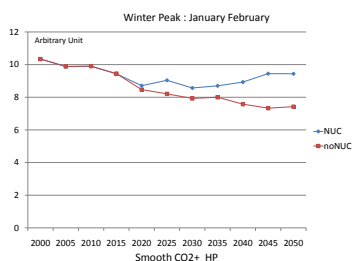
Reliability robustness of the power mix : nuclear sensitivity



Kinetic reserves

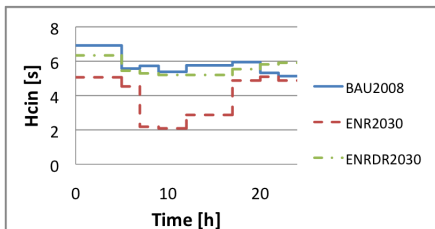


Magnetic reserves



Smart Grid Impact on reliability level PhD S. Bouckaert

- Demand response
 - aiming to peak rebate and load shedding
 - enables the enhancement of reliability



Reliability level for the kinetic reserve

The Réunion Island:

- BAU 2008
- 100 % renewable in 2030
- 100 % renewable in 2030 + Demand response

Water impacts of power generation

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Policies dealt separately but... interdependency

Growing issues for water and energy

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- Water supply: availability and sustainability of water resources



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Water for energy

- Cooling systems
- Hydropower
- Extraction and mining
- Fuel production
- Emission controls



Energy for water

- Pumping
- Transport
- Treatment
- Desalination