



Project introduction

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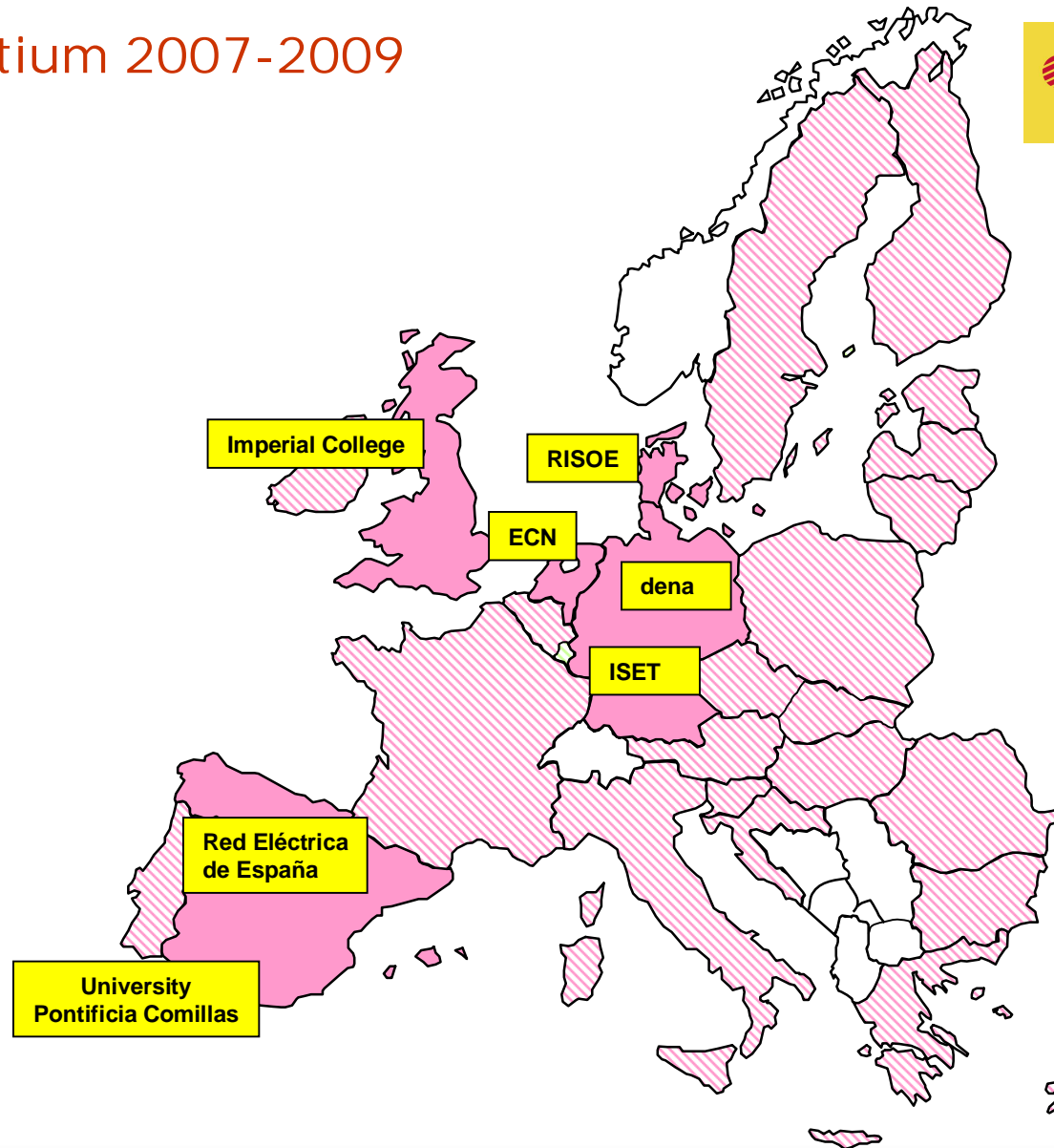
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Objectives and main activities

Objective

- Identify, analyse and evaluate ...“Economic efficient market-based Response options” **to reduce the negative (increasing system costs) impacts** of a strongly increasing penetration of intermittent RES-E and DG sources on the electricity system. This to meet EU RES targets for 2020;

Identify, analyse and assess...

- *response options* by market participants that support a more economic efficient integration of variable RES-E and DG in the electricity system.
- **barriers and failures** in *market competition and present regulation* that currently hinder these response options to be developed and implemented;
- *policy and regulatory instruments & conditions* to promote the application of these efficient response options by market parties in future.

Final results...

- A concise set of economic efficient policy responses and the policy & regulatory framework to facilitate its implementation by regulators & policy makers
- *awareness among market parties*, stakeholders & policy makers of these economic efficient market-based response options by workshops, articles etc



Project progress so far



Impact analysis of increasing intermittent RES-E and DG penetration

- Development of RES (intermittency) scenarios of the electricity system
- Impacts on generation, demand, trade and balancing system
- Impacts on transmission and distribution networks, respectively
- Crude overview of negative (increasing system costs) impacts

Identification and analysis of response options in generation, balancing/trade, networks and demand

- Response options in: generation, demand response and power trade
- Response options by: distribution and transmission system operators
- Reviews on relevance in several partner countries of these options

Assessment of barriers (current system conditions)

for implementation of these (market) response options → on-going now

Assessment of regulatory & policy measures/improvements

to implement response options → October08 till May09



Presentation of some results and findings regarding DSO & Demand side options



- Introduction of the background of increasing impacts by intermittent RES-E generation
- Overview of response options that would reduce the negative (system costs increasing) impacts
- Some conclusions
- Main sources:
 - Response options for generation, trade and demand by Henrik Jacobsen, Risoe
 - Response options for the DSO including DSM by Adriaan van der Welle, ECN



Drivers for DER (RES&DG) penetration



Greenhouse gas emission reduction

- EU Kyoto target : -8% reduction in 2008-2012 compared to 1990 emissions
- CO2 emission reduction in 2020: -20%

Renewable electricity

- 2010 target: 21% electricity demand in EU from renewable sources
- 2020 target: share of RES 30-50% in electricity and 20% in total primary energy supply

Energy efficiency

- EU directive for Combined Heat and Power (CHP)
- EU Action Plan for Energy efficiency: 20% energy saving by 2020 compared to baseline

Enhancing supply security/reducing fuel dependency

→ Via Support Schemes in Member States

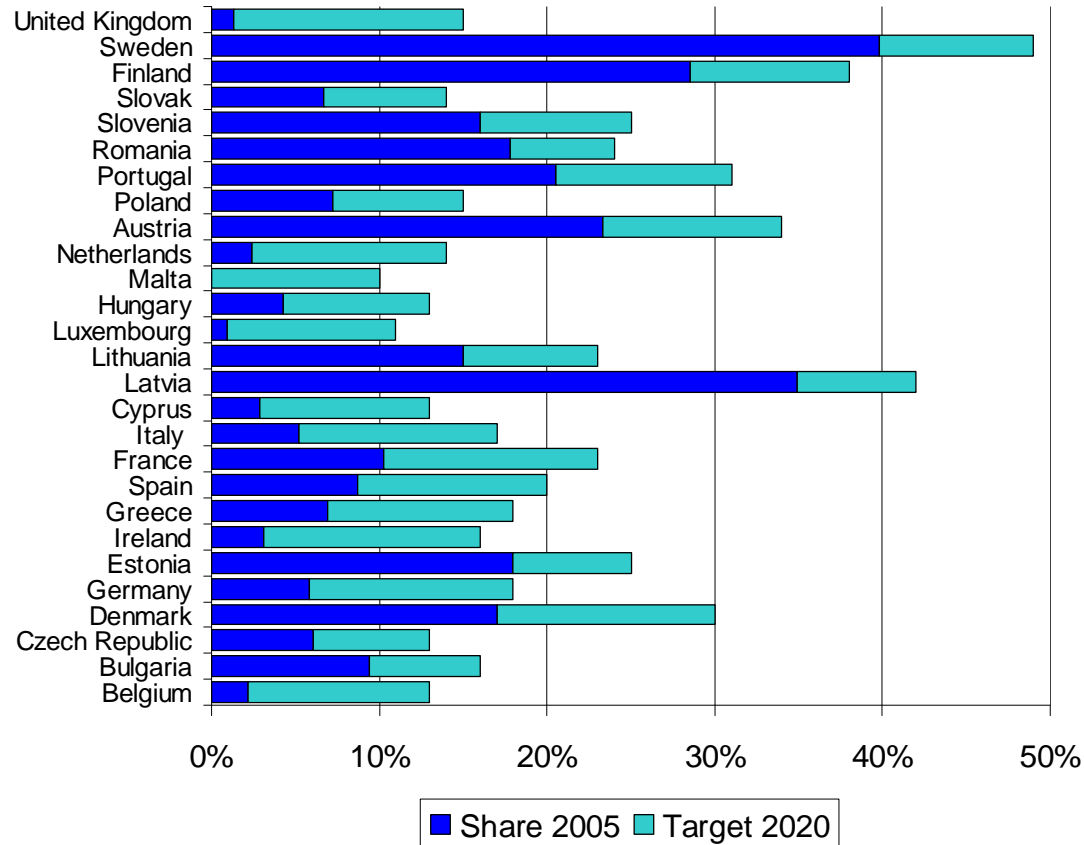


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National RES targets 2020 EU

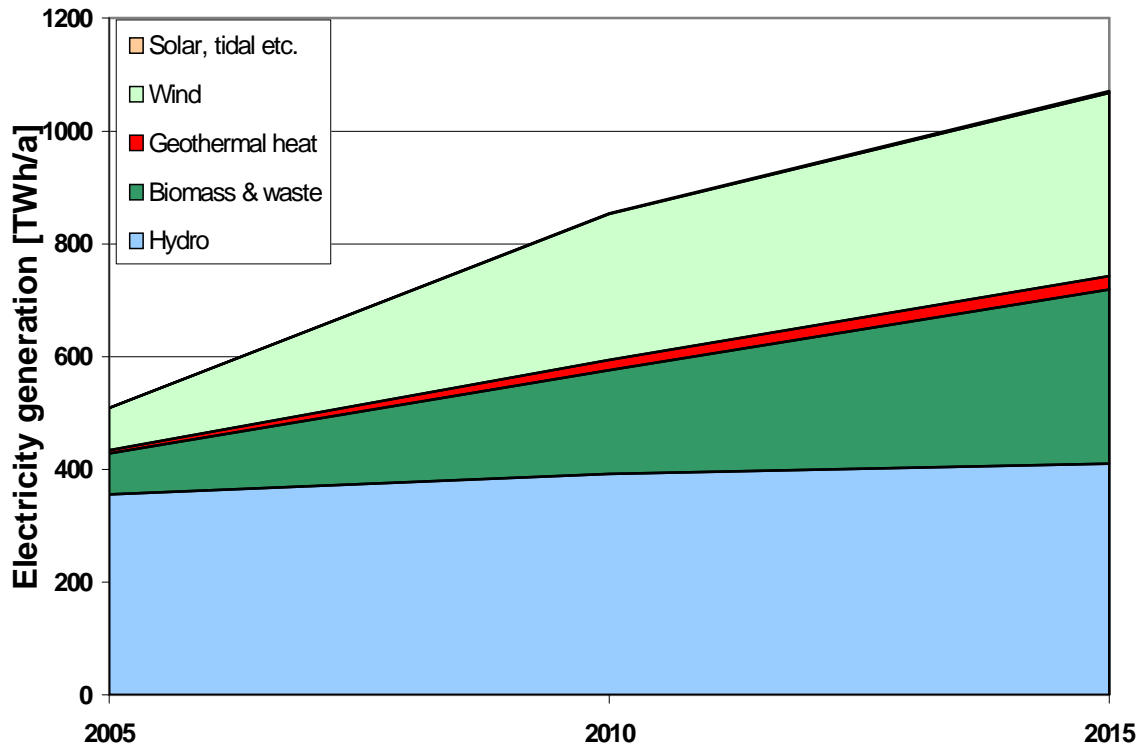
source: Draft Directive EC (2008)



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Scenario of RES-E generation in the EU 27



- The largest part additional RES generation by offshore and onshore wind (9%) and biomass (9%)

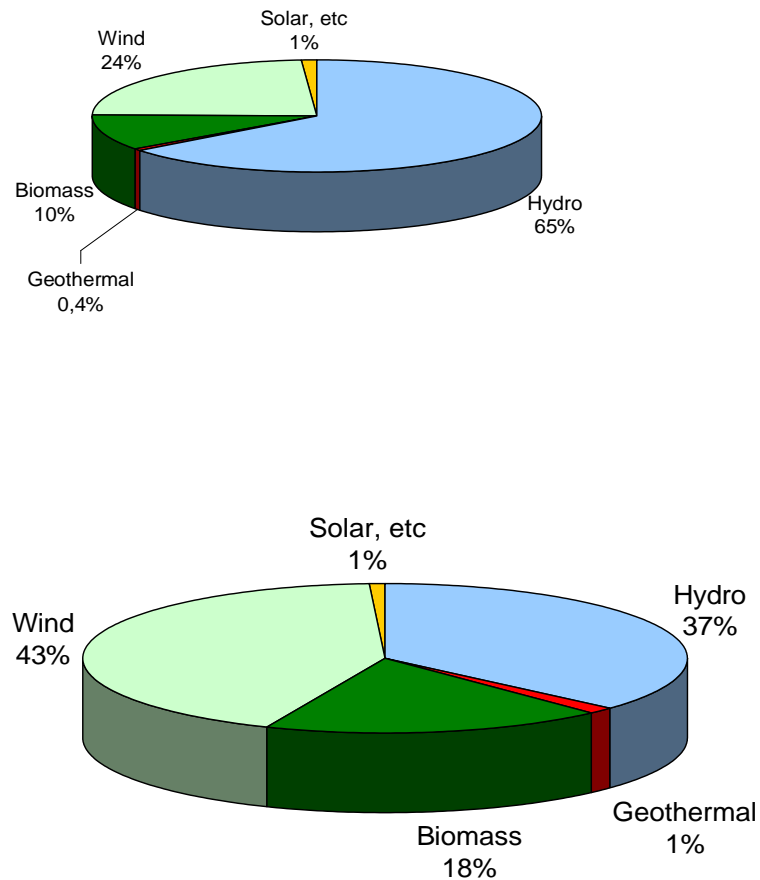
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Electricity generation and installed capacities in the EU 27 for 2005 & 2015



- Wind contributes for largest part to the increase of RES.
- Onshore and offshore wind will become the dominant renewable energy source with a share of 43% of all installed RES capacities in 2015.

Source: Dena



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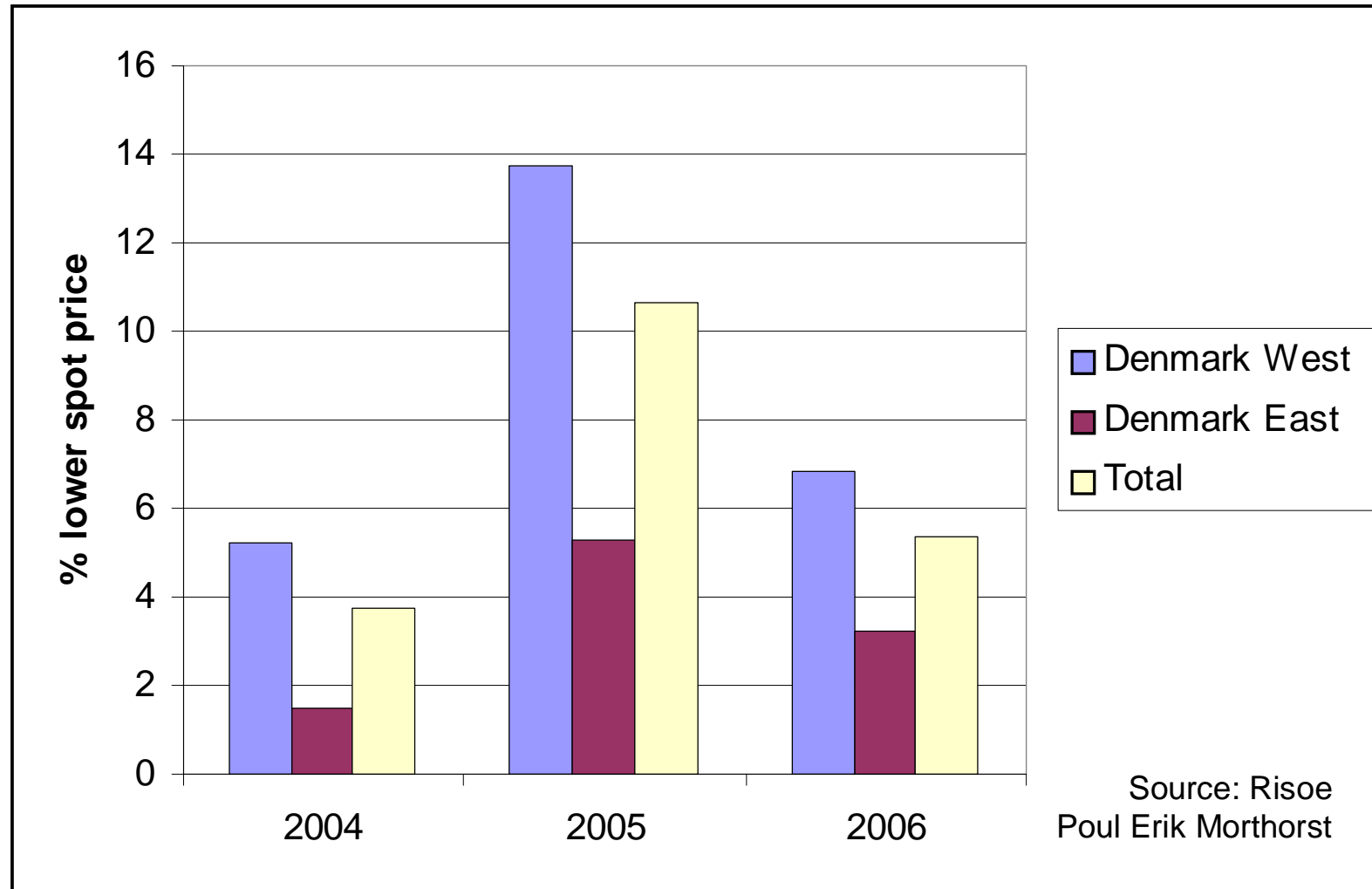
Main negative impacts of large intermittent RES-E (wind, PV, micro-CHP) supply



- More variable, less predictable and controllable supply of electricity, particularly impacting markets, network operation of transmission and distribution networks, i.e.:
 - More price variation, higher balancing cost, lower capacity values, and lower revenues base load generators in **markets**
 - More demand for flexible and better predictable generation
 - More expensive **network operation** through voltage rise, increased fault levels and higher variability direction of power flows, i.e. more energy losses etc
 - More demand for technical and economic options for improving network controllability, i.e. by more demand response



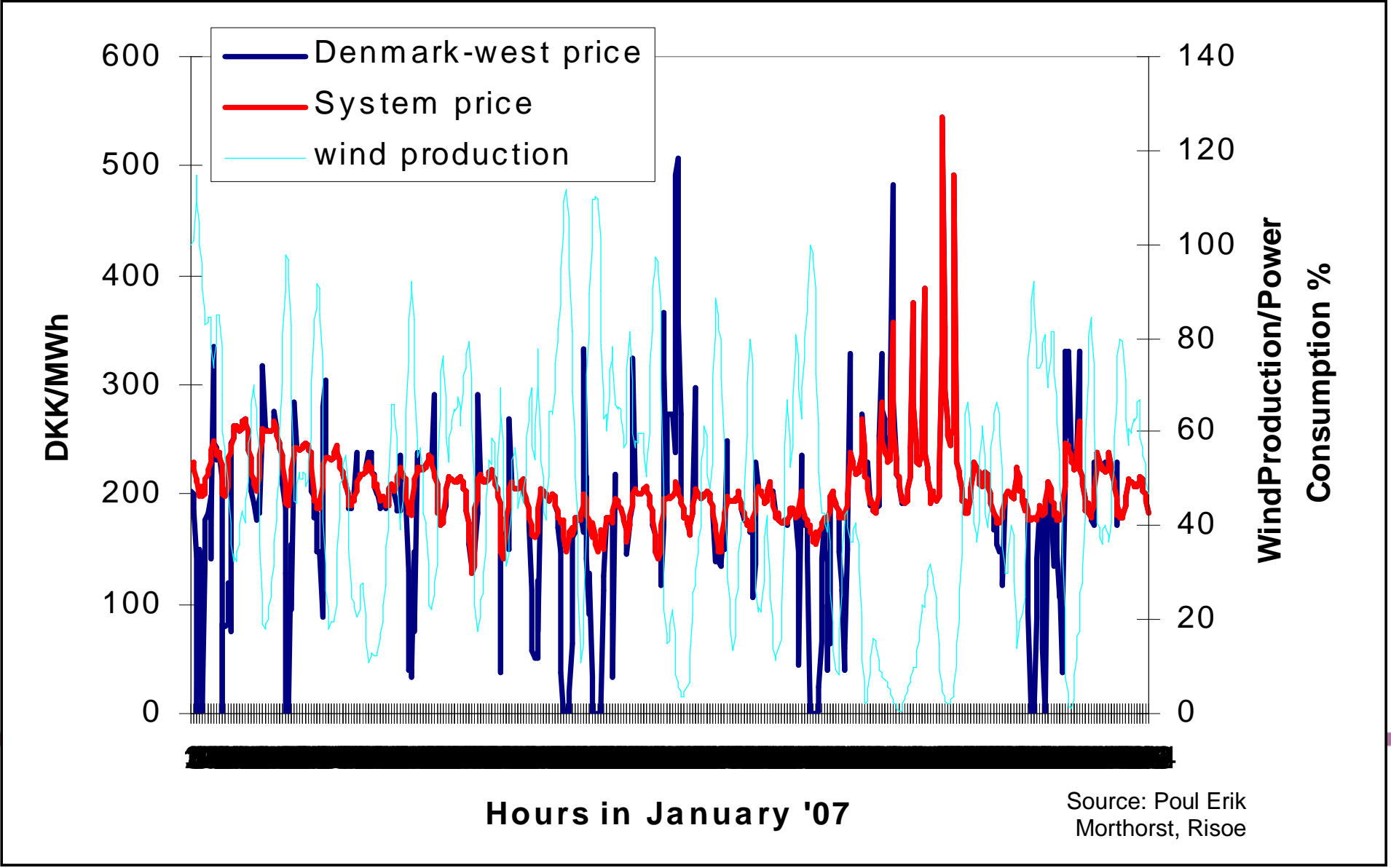
Lower spot market prices: results for 3 years



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Impact on Spot Price: DK example



- Usual option of **fit-and-forget** way **DSOs** react to less predictable, more fluctuating and more diverse network load situations (upward flows) with a response → **network reinforcement**.
- However, this way becomes an increasingly expensive way of network planning.
- **Alternative options** to increase network controllability of DSOs:
 - Active network management
 - Demand response
 - Micro-grids
 - Storage
 - Flexible deployment of DG



Active network management



Three phases of going to Active network management (ANM):

1. Real-time **network control** → i.e. monitoring transformers
2. Real-time control of **demand** and **generation**
3. Local **system balancing**, i.e. by micro-grids → **see a next slide**

- ANM means less investments in network reinforcement, but more in DSO activities such as communication, i.e. ICT tools and often higher energy losses

Institutional and regulatory measures:

- DSOs need to be indifferent between network reinforcement and ANM to further efficient network planning: move to incentive regulation instead of rate-of-return regulation
- Promotion of network innovation
- Real-time and locational network pricing to steer network flows



Demand response options



- Shifting energy demand from peak to off-peak demand lowers peak demand and consequently demand for network services
- Problem now: low price-elasticity of demand (non-visibility of real-time energy use and associated costs) for small customers
- Implementation of smart metering is a precondition for more demand response

System advantages:

1. Higher “network capacity usage rate” (higher overall system efficiency)
2. Less network interruptions (higher security of supply)

But... higher data management costs of real-time metering and pricing

Institutional and regulatory changes:

- Introducing real-time, peak and day ahead pricing and further interruption contracts etc



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Definition micro-grids: **LV network** operating independent from MV and HV networks

Therefore:

1. higher security of supply in **rural areas** with a comparable amount of generation and load
 2. **lower costs** than extension of network capacity by reinforcements
- Before implementation of **local balancing and islanding** earlier phases measures of ANM concept have to be implemented and black start has to be technically feasible
 - **Institutional and regulatory measures**: especially real-time and locational pricing are necessary for better steering of network flows



Storage options



Application of the storage option in cases of:

- Electricity at times the network is constrained
 - Increase of network reliability (provision of reactive power, protection and isolation for system faults)
- network reinforcement can be postponed/avoided

Required institutional and regulatory measures :

- Time and location dependent **network tariffs** to account for contribution of storage to resolve network constraints
- Adjustment of network planning practices and concomitant investment **incentives to promote** trade-off between use of storage in network operation and additional network reinforcement
- Allow introduction of **independent storage facility** for several purposes including network aims both for economies of scale of storage facilities and to overcome unbundling provisions



More flexible deployment of generation



- **Congestion management:** diminishes power flows in congested areas and prevent a change in flow directions → saves network reinforcements
- **System benefits:**
 1. Higher “network usage capacity” (higher efficiency)
 2. Less network interruptions (higher security of supply)
- **Required institutional and regulatory measures:**
 - Density and location of entry point and specific network situation relevant for impact → **time and locational network pricing is required**
 - **Avoided costs** network operator have to be passed on partially as remuneration to down regulated distributed generators.



Applicability of DSO & Demand response options (i)



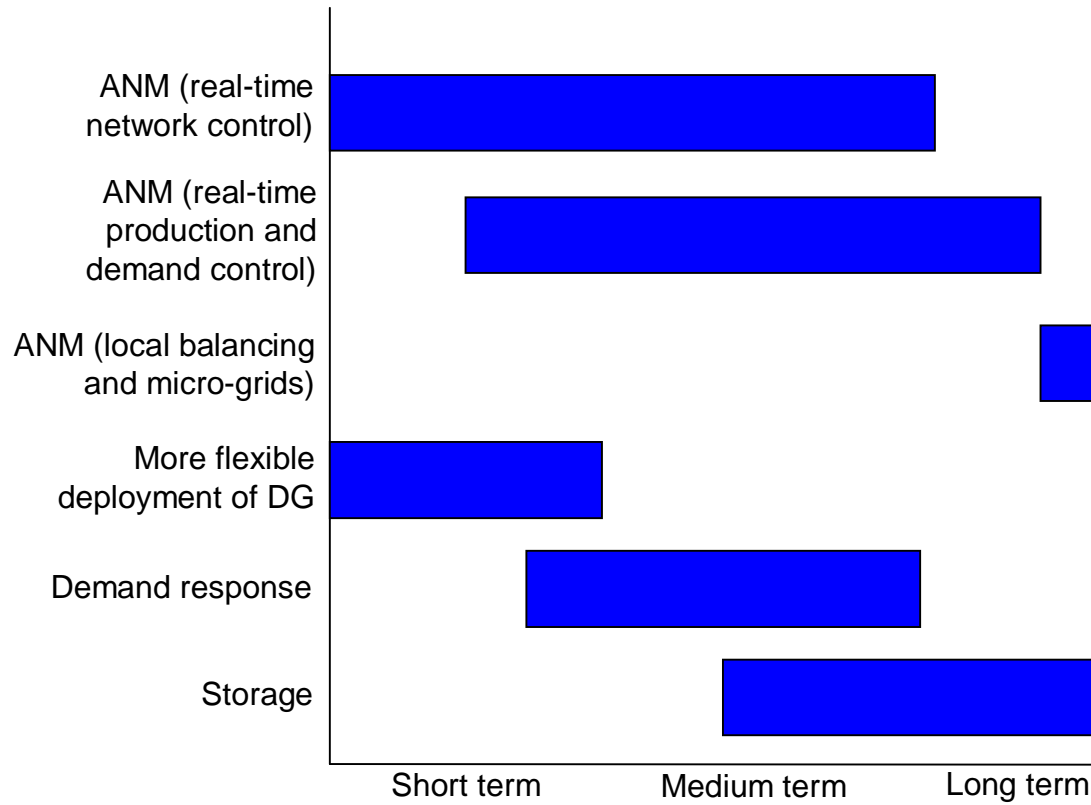
Criteria for feasibility in time:

- Feasibility in the **short-term** depends on:
 - technology is sufficiently proven
 - limited network investments needed
 - no change in the network operation philosophy necessary
 - no or limited regulatory adjustments required
 - limited participation of consumers in the solution required

- Feasibility in the **longer-term** depends on:
 - Cost-efficient monitoring and control network devices are available
 - ICT based communication systems to be able to deal with large amounts of data about network operation, generation and demand are put in place
 - Modest to complex changes in network regulation, i.e. use of system and locational tariff system charging of generation and demand



Applicability of DSO & Demand response options(ii)



Conclusions

- Contribution of **intermittent RES-E & DG** will increase substantially in EU countries in next decades
- Need for timely development & implementation of market-based technical and economic response options in EU MS
- RESPOND identified many options for system segments, generation, trade, load balancing, networks and demand side. Priority options for **DSO&DSM**:
 - More monitoring and control of distribution network operation
 - More monitoring and control of DG and demand options for:
 - 1) More flexible deployment of DG at extreme peak supply of RES-E generators
 - 2) Demand response by real-time pricing etc
 - Further development/implementation of ANM concept for DSO
- **Deployment of storage** for DN and introduction of micro-grids will depend much more on specific system and network conditions per country/region
 - i.e. less wide-scale possibilities and higher costs for longer-term
- **NOTE: Precise values of different options and avoided costs closely depends on characteristics of national power & DN system:**
 - DG characteristics (concentration and location)
 - network characteristics
 - national policy and regulation



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