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Climate services in support of RTE's activities

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RTE, the French transmission system operator, ensures independent and neutral access to the French electricity grid to all power utilities

- 1. Optimising the operation of the French power system, second by second.
- 2. Ensuring the security of supply for customers, with access to economical, reliable and clean electricity, now and tomorrow.
- **3.** Adapting the transmission system to facilitate the energy transition.





32 interconnected countries (28 EU Members)

- security of the power system in real time
- economic optimisation
- security of supply

5 synchronous zones

Scandinavia, United Kingdom, Ireland, Continental Europe, Baltic countries

Installed capacity : **850 GW** Consumption : **3,400 TWh/year** Peak Load : **500 GW** Physical exchanges : **400 TWh/year** Population : **500 Million**



Rte Climate data in support of a wide spectrum of problems

Infrastructure

- What will be the consequences of climate change on maximum line rating?
- How many times a power station is likely to be flooded during its lifetime?
- What maximum ambient air temperature is to be considered when dimensioning new equipments?



- etc...



Supply / Demand balance

- What will be the impacts of climate change on the availability of thermal power plants? On generation from hydropower, wind and solar power?
- How will peaks in demand evolve in cold (heating) and hot (cooling) periods?
- What will be the availability of wind & solar generation during cold events (high demand) and heat waves (potentially decreased thermal and hydro production)?
- etc...

Reference in the second second







... to allow a realistic modeling of the power system and plausible results

 Correlations between climate variables (e.g.: wind & temperature) Spatial Correlations between climate variables

Hourly time resolution

Fine spatial resolution (~ 20 km or less) for the whole Europe Good representation of meteorological situations, including extremes

 Recent Past & Current climate + future climate (climate change impacts)

Re Current situation: Météo-France « constant climate » simulations





- 3 simulations sets with « constant climate »
- □ 200 years « climate 2000 »
- □ 200 years « climate 2050 » RCP4.5
- □ 200 years « climate 2050 » RCP8.5

Black dots represent the actual observations over the last 33 years

Bias correction with Hirlam Reanalysis

Extrapolation of extreme temperature values





Ree Heat and cold waves change dramatically with climate change

Cold Waves Heat Waves Température journalière France minimale (°C) Température journalière France maximale (°C) 33 Canicule de 2003 Vague de froid de 2012 30 -5 Vague de froid 27 de 1985 -10 24 60 80 20 40 10 5 15 20 Durée de la vague de chaleur (jours) Durée de la vague de froid (jours) Climate Climate 2050 **Observations** 2000 **RCP8.5**

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Our current climate reference datasets need to be complemented by other data sources and different approaches, to increase the robustness of our models, and consider various sources of uncertainty





Take away messages

- Climate impacts RTE's 2 main activities: network & supply/demand balance
- We have specific needs and expectations regarding climate data (EU-wide, fine space & time resolution...)
- RTE wishes to develop cooperation at EU level for power system studies (open-Source & Open-Data)
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- Climate services for the energy sector are key for the energy transition & RTE is willing to contribute to their development



Thanks for your attention





