

# SECTOR COUPLING SYSTEM DESIGN TOWARDS CARBON NEUTRALITY AND MARKET CHALLENGES – A GERMAN PERSPECTIVE

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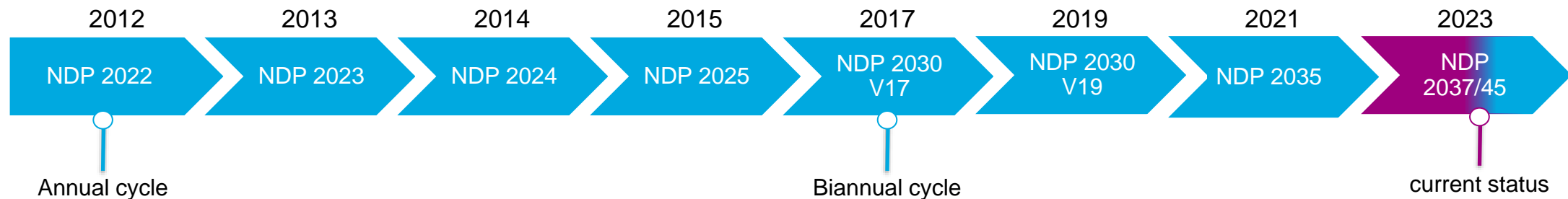
# NATIONAL NETWORK DEVELOPMENT PLAN (NDP) LEGISLATIVE FRAMEWORK




# NATIONAL NETWORK DEVELOPMENT PLAN

## LEGALLY MANDATED PROCESS SINCE 2012

The Energy Industry Act (§12b I 2 EnWG) requires German Transmission System Operators (TSOs)\* to deliver a joint network development plan (NDP) bi-annually.

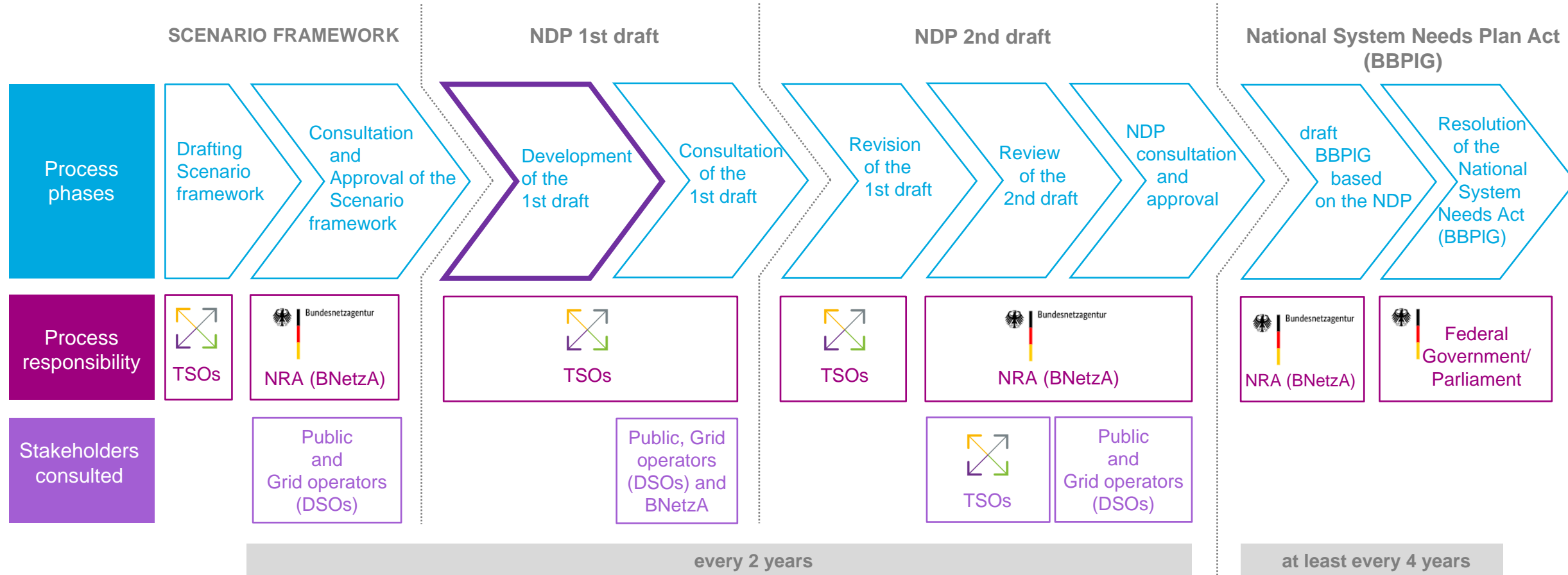
The aim is to identify the need for network expansion and to infer reinforcement and expansion measures, which are then reviewed and approved by the National Regulatory Agency (NRA): Bundesnetzagentur (BNetzA).



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Amprion GmbH   
TenneT TSO GmbH   
TransnetBW GmbH 

# NATIONAL NETWORK DEVELOPMENT PLAN (NDP)

## NUMEROUS CONSULTATIONS



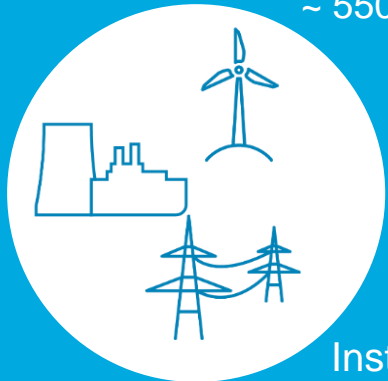
# THE KEY DRIVERS FOR CARBON-NEUTRALITY IN 2045

- **Sector Coupling**
- **Flexibilities**

# THE POWER SUPPLY SYSTEM UNDER TRANSFORMATION

## Power Supply System 2022

Net Electricity Demand 2021:  
~ 550 TWh



Installed RES  
Capacity:  
140 GW

Installed  
Conventional  
Capacity:  
78 GW

North-to-South  
Transport:  
25 GW

Maintaining  
Security of Supply



Reinforcing and  
Extending Grid  
Infrastructure



Developing the  
Regulatory Framework  
further



Financing  
Investments



## Carbon-neutral Power Supply System 2045

Net Electricity Demand: ~1,100 TWh

Installed RES Capacity:  
> 680 GW

Electrolyser  
Capacity:  
55-80 GW

Small-Scale Battery  
Storage Capacity:  
~ 100 GW



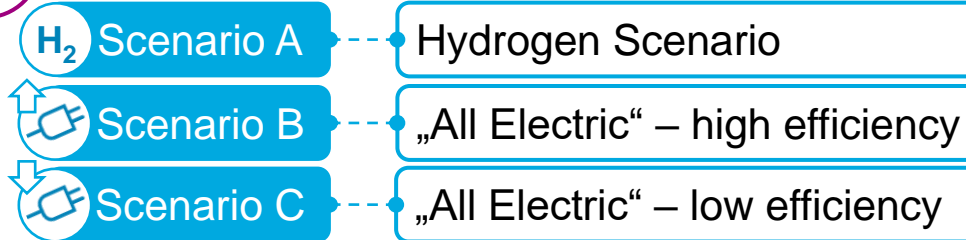
North-to-South  
Transport:  
> 80 GW

Utility-Scale Battery  
Storage Capacity:  
43-55 GW

# SCENARIO FRAMEWORK SETS OUT THREE DEVELOPMENT PATHS TO ACHIEVE CARBON NEUTRALITY IN 2045

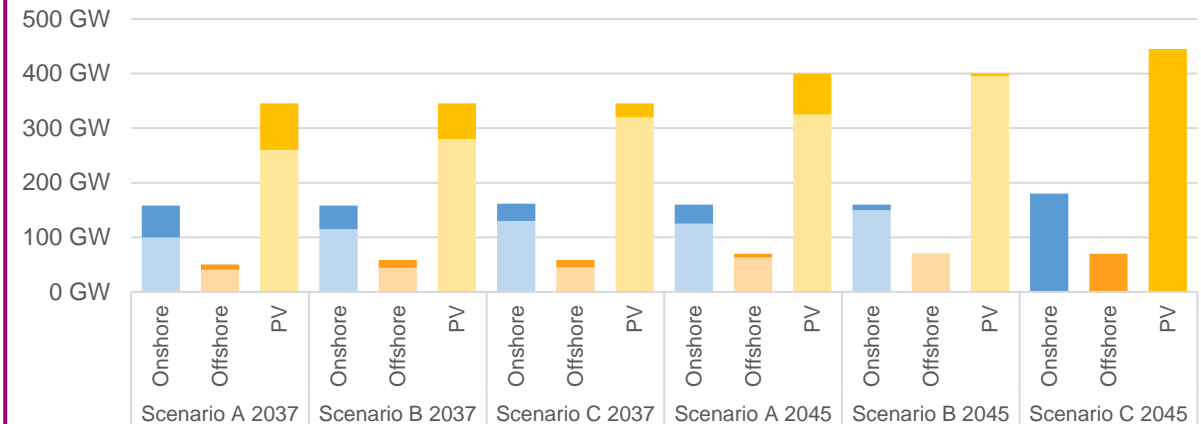


## Development paths for 2037 and 2045

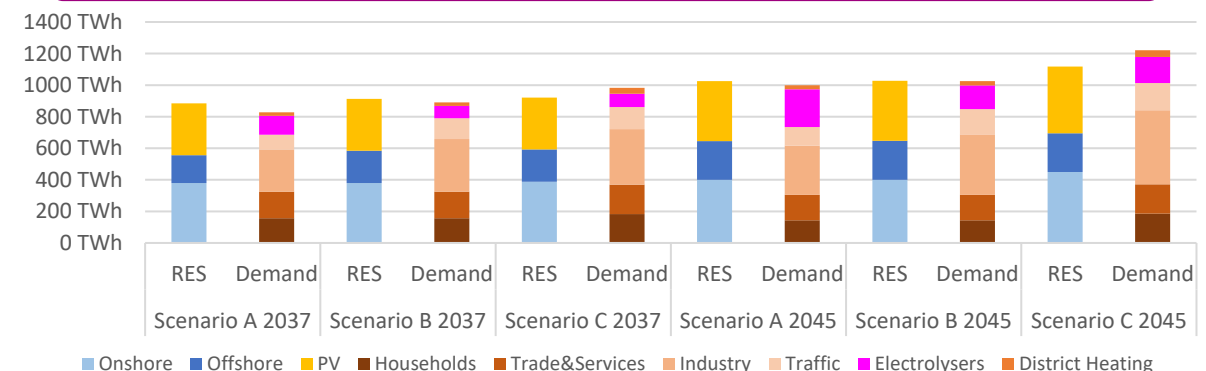


- Assumption of a high degree of energy self-sufficiency
  - Import ratio for hydrogen only 50%
  - Increase in net consumption up to 1200 TWh
- National targets for renewable energy sources (RES) are taken into account
  - RES share of net electricity demand at about 100%
  - Full RES market integration
- Market-oriented operation of new technologies (heat pumps, electric mobility, battery storage, ...) with flexibility of up to 100%.
- Scenario assumptions for other European countries are consistent with ENTSO-E planning products (considered 1.5 °C target)

## Installed RES capacities (draft + approval)



## RES generation and net electricity demand



# UP TO 80(!) GW ELECTROLYSERS IN NDP 2037/45

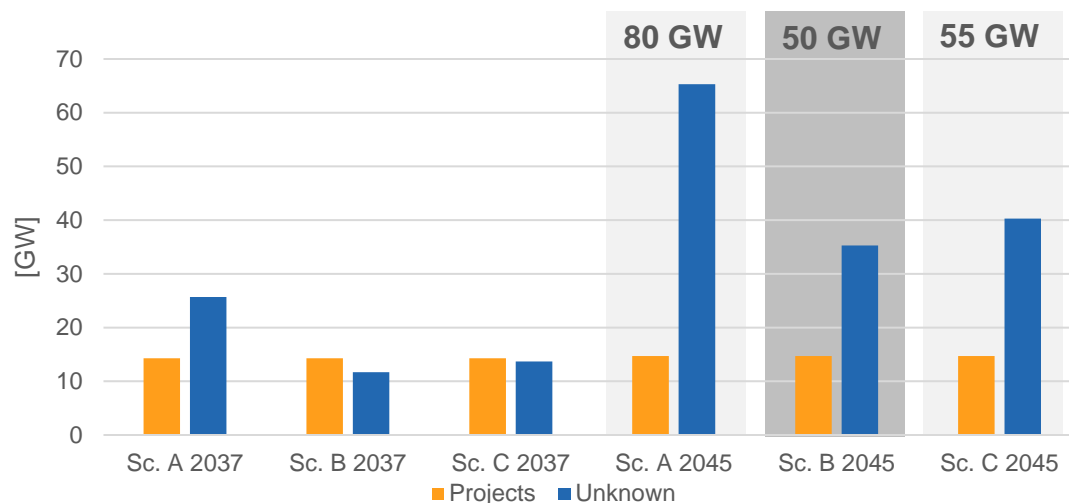
## 15 GW PROJECTS – 65 GW MAX. LEFT TO ALLOCATE



Production of emission-free hydrogen is one pillar to reach carbon-neutral energy system in 2045

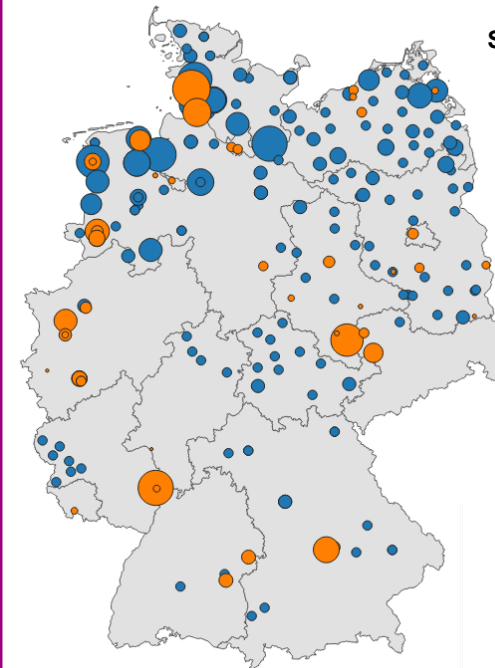
- Projects for up to 15 GW installed capacity already known from industrial partners
- Remaining “gap” to reach scenario target capacity is allocated in a grid-supportive manner
- Power-to-gas production is modelled fully market-oriented

Installed Electrolyser Capacity in NDP 2037/45

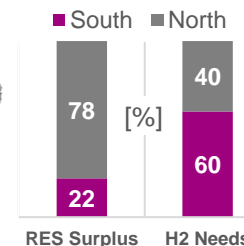
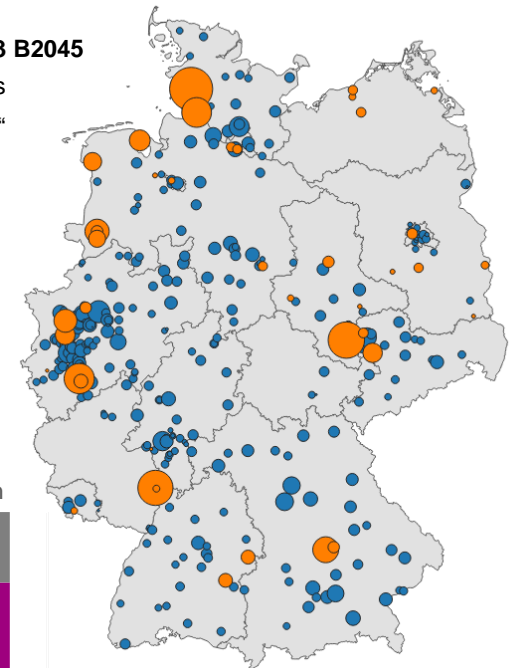


### Allocation Methodologies for Electrolysers

Based on residual RES surplus  
(methodology applied in NDP 2037/45)



Based on H2-Needs



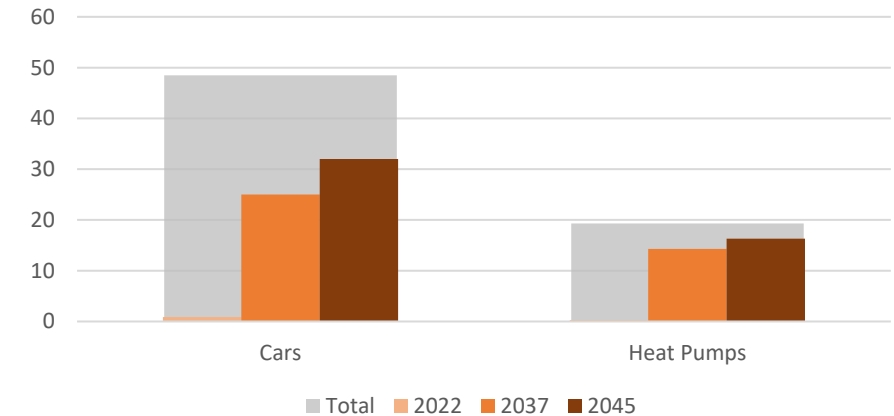
➔ Both allocations methodologies are extreme in regards to the respective characteristics, the actual allocation will most likely lie in between



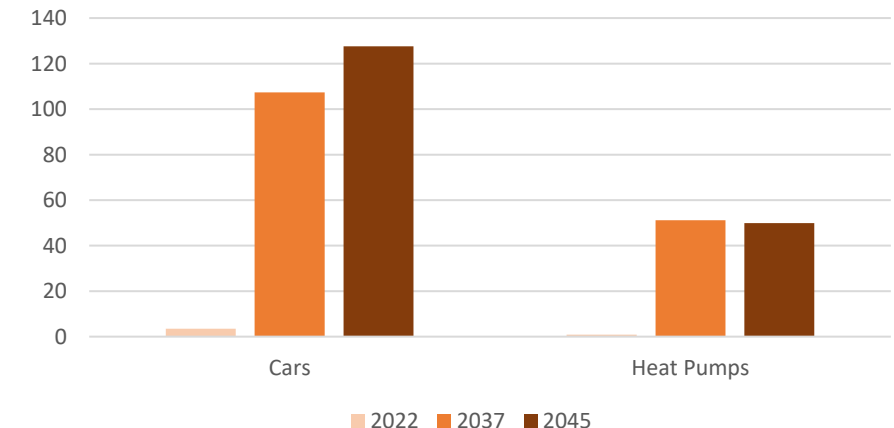
# DECENTRALIZED FLEXIBILITY THOROUGH ELECTRIC VEHICLES AND HEAT-PUMPS

- Efforts to decarbonize households mainly focused on electrification
  - Share of electric cars increases up to 67% in 2045 (2% today)
  - Share of residential houses with Heat Pumps increases up to 85% in 2045 (1% today)
- These new electric loads provide a significant potential of flexibility
  - Loading of electric cars can be optimized, based on assumed mobility-patterns
  - Heating can be shifted within a two-hour range to react on electricity prices
  - Up to 100% of these units can be considered as market-oriented

**Scenarios B/C: Deployed Units [in Million]**

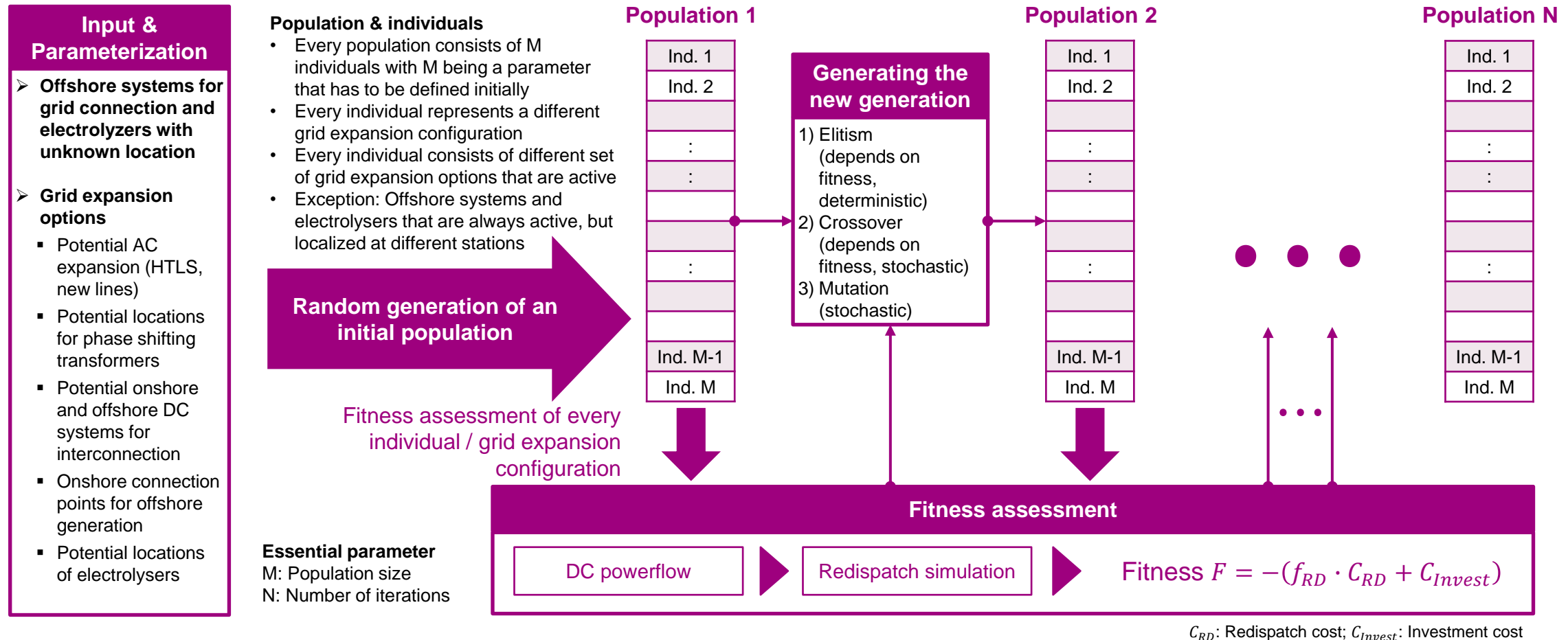


**Scenarios B/C: Potential of Flexibility [GW]**



# NDP 2037/45 – A SELECTION OF RESULTS

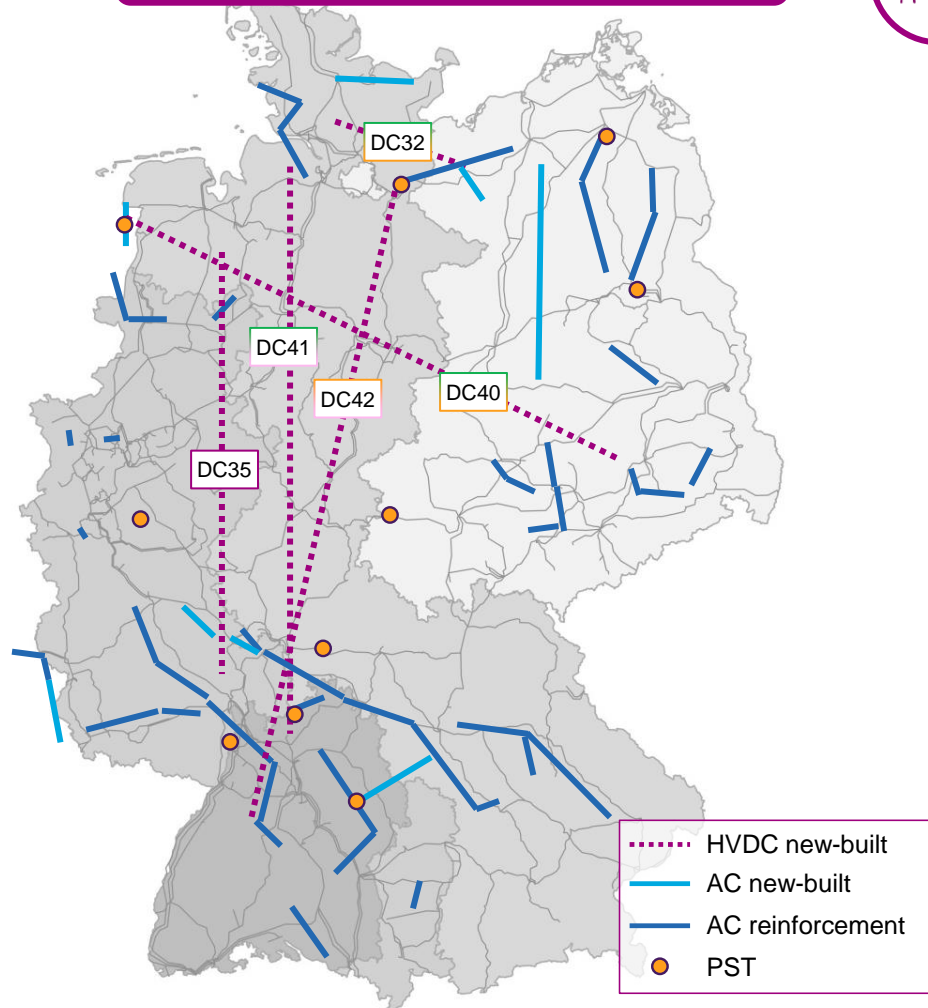
# METAHEURISTIC OPTIMISATION OF EXPANSION OPTIONS BASED ON GENETIC ALGORITHM



# ONSHORE GRID FOR CARBON-NEUTRALITY

## TRANSMISSION SYSTEM GROWS BY MORE THAN 40%

### New onshore projects in NDP 2023



- The German TSOs have developed a carbon-neutral energy system in Germany for the first time
- The **target onshore transmission grid** is needed **by 2037** already
- After 2037 additional RES generation is integrated predominantly by
  - power-to-hydrogen sector coupling
  - exploitation of demand-side flexibilities
- Newly identified HVDC-expansion:
  - five new-built HVDC transmission projects (approx. **2,600 km**)
- Newly identified AC-expansion:
  - approx. **1,300 km** new-built AC transmission line projects
  - approx. **3,200 km** AC transmission line reinforcement projects
- Together with projects identified in previous NDPs the **total onshore transmission system expansion** amounts to **> 15,000 km** (35,000 km → > 50,000 km)



# EFFICIENT OFFSHORE-WIND INTEGRATION IS CRUCIAL



North Sea

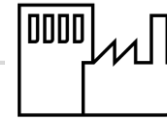
**Offshore-  
wind in  
2045**

**70  
GW**

**installed capacity  
in Germany**

**13,300  
km**

**New offshore  
connection  
HVDC-lines needed**



## Connections close to demand centres

reaches from the Rhine-Ruhr region (Düsseldorf, Dortmund, Cologne) to the Rhine-Main region (Frankfurt)

### Advantages:

- integration in existing AC-infrastructure
- reduction of generation redispatch
- reduction of AC-power flows and reactive power demand



## Interconnection of offshore connections

sea-side DC interconnections

**INTERCONNECTION  
IS A JOINT  
EUROPEAN INITIATIVE**

### Advantages:

- redundancy of connections and increased flexibilities
- reduction of onshore grid expansion
- enhanced European market integration



# NATIONAL OFFSHORE INTERCONNECTION PROJECTS

## NDP 2037/45 IDENTIFIES TWO PROJECTS

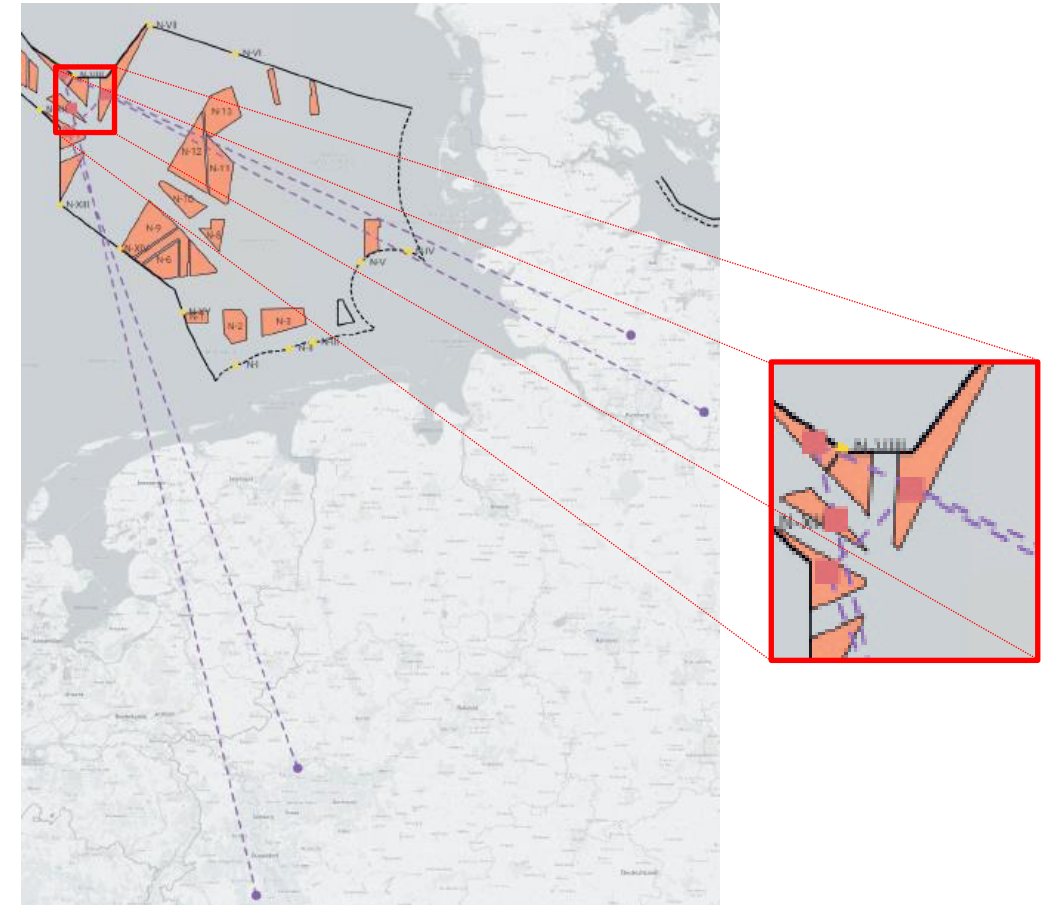
### Benefits of national offshore interconnection

- In-depth analysis of national offshore interconnection projects in German NDP 2037/2045
- Results shows positive cost-benefit ratio

Offshore Interconnection Projects	
Length	73 km
CAPEX	1,200 Mio. € (cable: 400 / platform: 800 Mio. €)
Redispatch reduction	98 Mio. € / years → ~ 1,500 Mio. € for 25 years

- Assessment of national offshore interconnection by national regulator until end of 2023
- In case of positive decision: inclusion in national legislation

### National Offshore Interconnection Projects



# MARKET CHALLENGES FOR A CARBON-NEUTRAL POWER SUPPLY SYSTEM

# CHALLENGES OF TRANSFORMATION

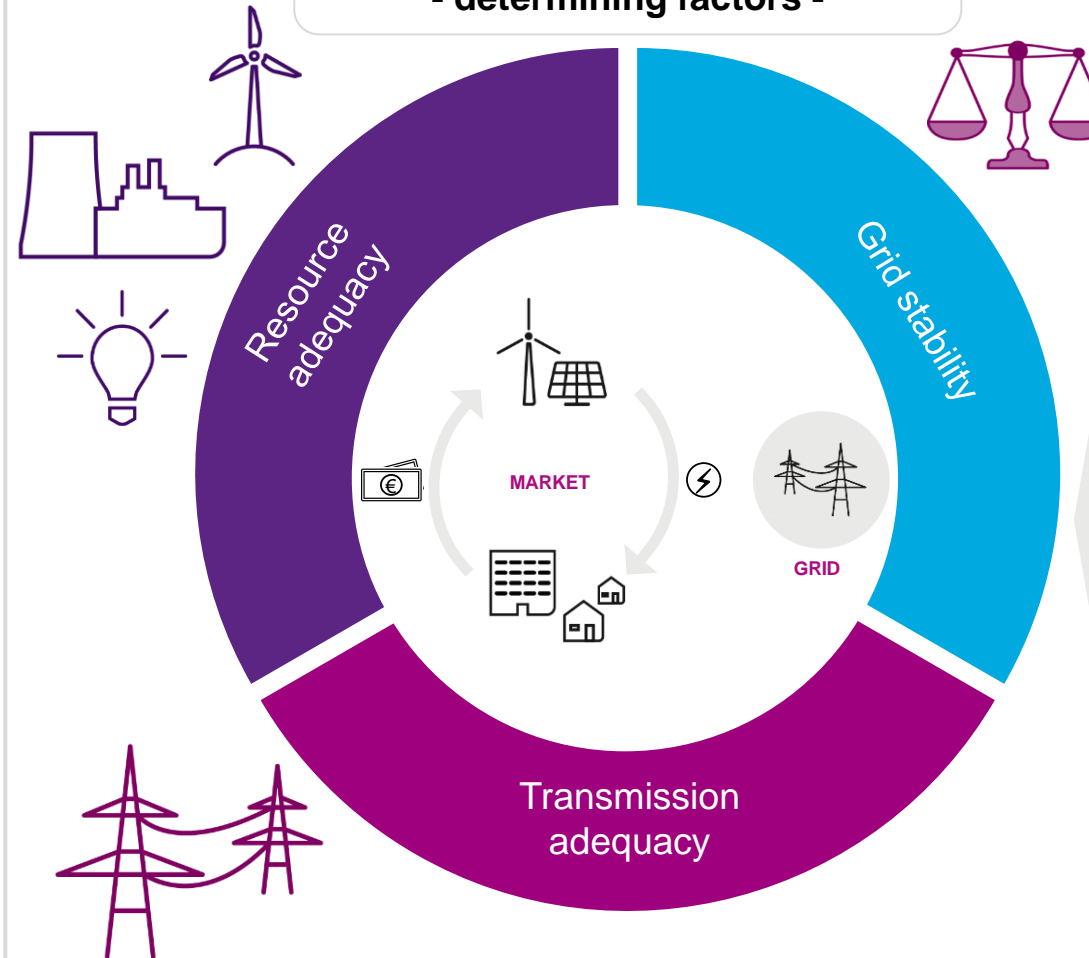
## System Security

### - challenges -

- Substitution of firm generation capacity by resource-dependent RES generation
- Displacement of synchronous generators by IBRs
- Integration of new equipment
- Increasing power exchanges and higher cross-border capacities
- Higher utilisation of the transmission system
- More volatile and rapidly-changing power flows

## Security of Supply

### - determining factors -



## TSO responsibility

### - physical reality -

Transmission of active power

Securing steady-state voltage stability (reactive power)

Balancing

Securing the provision of grid inertia

Dynamic reactive power control

Securing the provision of short-circuit current

Securing island operation capability

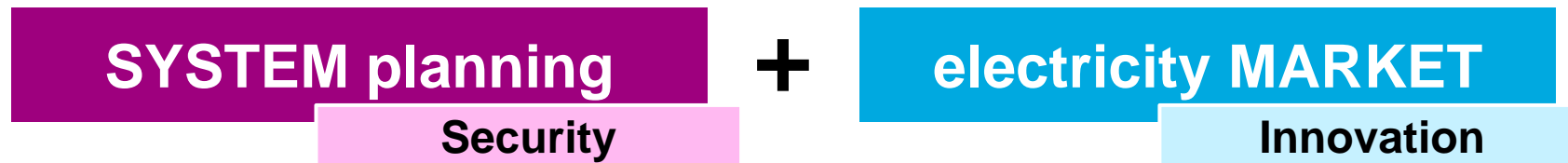
Securing black-start capability



# POTENTIAL SOLUTION

## A SYSTEM ENGINEERING VIEW ON THE ENERGY SYSTEM

### SYSTE(M)ARKET



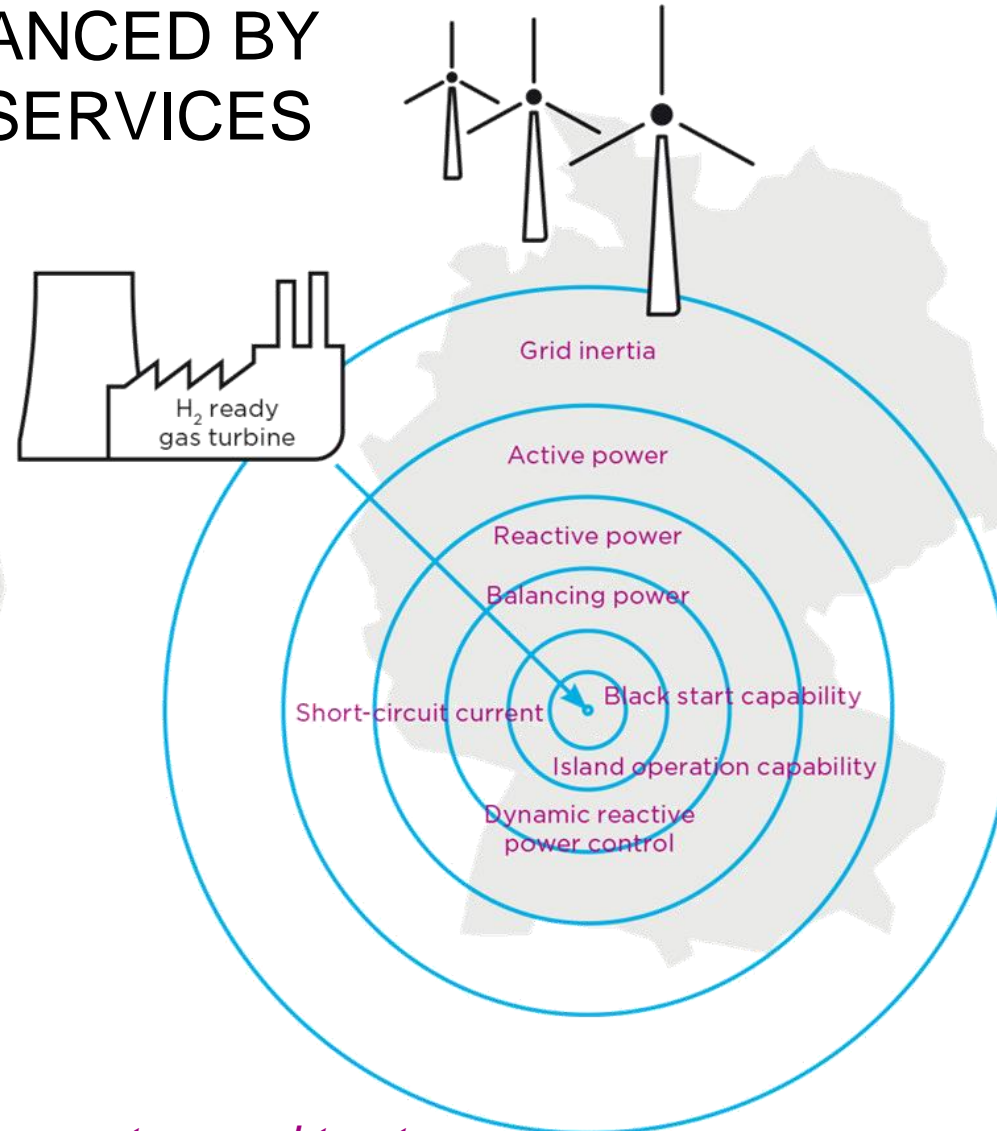
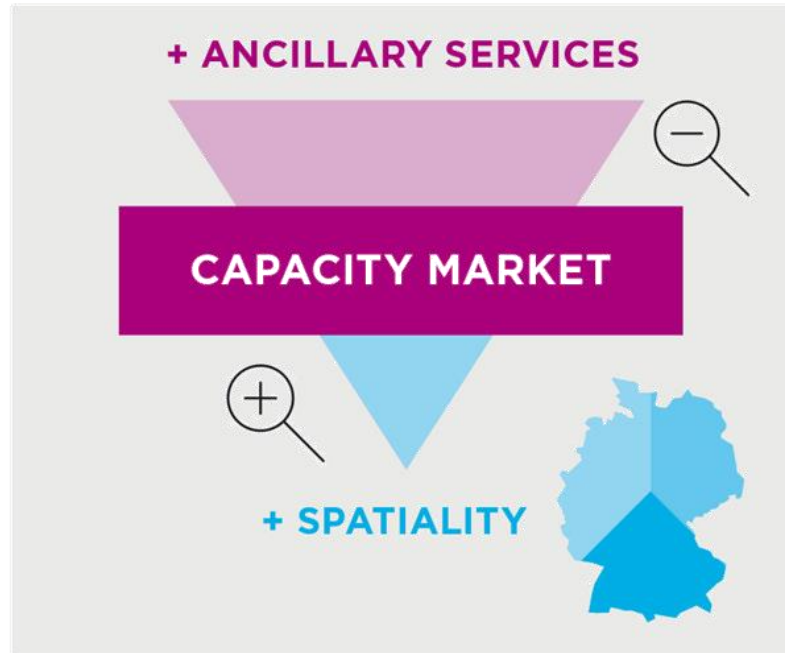
The SYSTE(M)ARKET is designed to ensure resource adequacy and robust system operation in the long term by providing incentives for



This is achieved by the spatially and objectively differentiated long-term remuneration for the provision of the necessary potentials (capacities)

# BASIC CONCEPT

## A CAPACITY MARKET ENHANCED BY SPATIALITY & ANCILLARY SERVICES



Further information also available at: [www.systemmarkt.net](http://www.systemmarkt.net)

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**Any questions?**