

# Windstrom und Wasserstoff – Eine Alternative

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# Future Energy Solutions need to be Existing Game Changers



## Drivers

- Climate change
- Energy security
- Competitiveness
- Local emissions

## Grand Challenges

- Renewable energy
- Electro mobility
- Efficient central power plants
- Fossil cogeneration

## Goals

- Germany to reduce GHG emissions by 40% in 2020 (w/o nuclear)  
55% in 2030  
70% in 2040  
80-95% in 2050 with reference to 1990
- Danish distributed electricity and heat is to be fossil free by 2035 (no nuclear in DK)

[http://www.bmu.de/english/energy\\_efficiency/doc/47609.php](http://www.bmu.de/english/energy_efficiency/doc/47609.php)

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## GHG Emissions Shares per Sector in Germany

Energy sector	37%
Thereof power generation	32%
Transport (90% petroleum-based)	17%
Thereof passenger transport	11%
Thereof goods transport	6%
Residential	11%
Industry, trade and commerce	23%
Thereof industry	19%
Thereof trade and commerce	4%
Agriculture	8%
<u>Others</u>	<u>4%</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>100%</b>

Absolute amount as of 2010: 920 m metric tonnes

Source: Emission Trends for Germany since 1990, Trend Tables: Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Emissions in Equivalents, without CO<sub>2</sub> from Land Use, Land Use Change and Forestry, Umweltbundesamt 2011

Transport-related values: supplemented with *Shell LKW Studie – Fakten, Trends und Perspektiven im Straßengüterverkehr bis 2030*.

# CO<sub>2</sub> Equivalent Factors of Green House Gases

GHG <sup>1)</sup>	Equivalent Factors of GHG to CO <sub>2</sub> [1] for Three Timelines		
	20 Years	100 Years	500 Years
CO <sub>2</sub>	1	1	1
CH <sub>4</sub>	72	25	7,6
N <sub>2</sub> O	289	298	153
HFC <sup>2)</sup>	437 – 12 000	124 – 14 800	38 – 12 200
PFC <sup>2)</sup>	5 200 – 8 630	7 390 – 17 700	9 500 – 21 200
SF <sub>6</sub>	16 300	22 800	32 600

Average global radiative forcing [ $W m^{-2}$ ] of green house gases [1]

CO <sub>2</sub> 1,66	CH <sub>4</sub> 0,48	N <sub>2</sub> O 0,16	Chlorinated- HCs: 0,34
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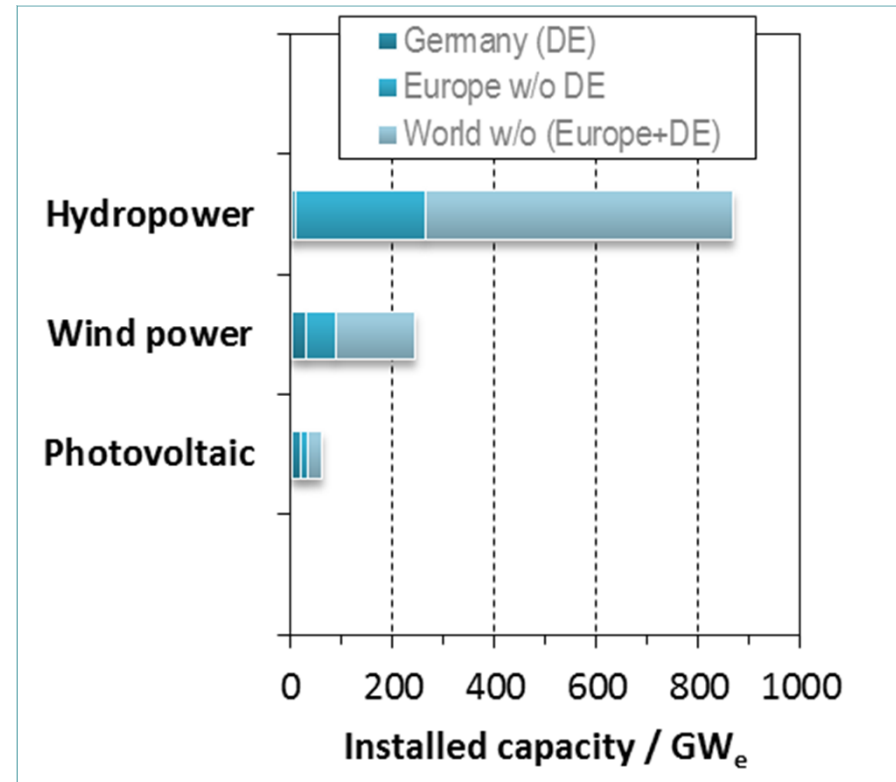
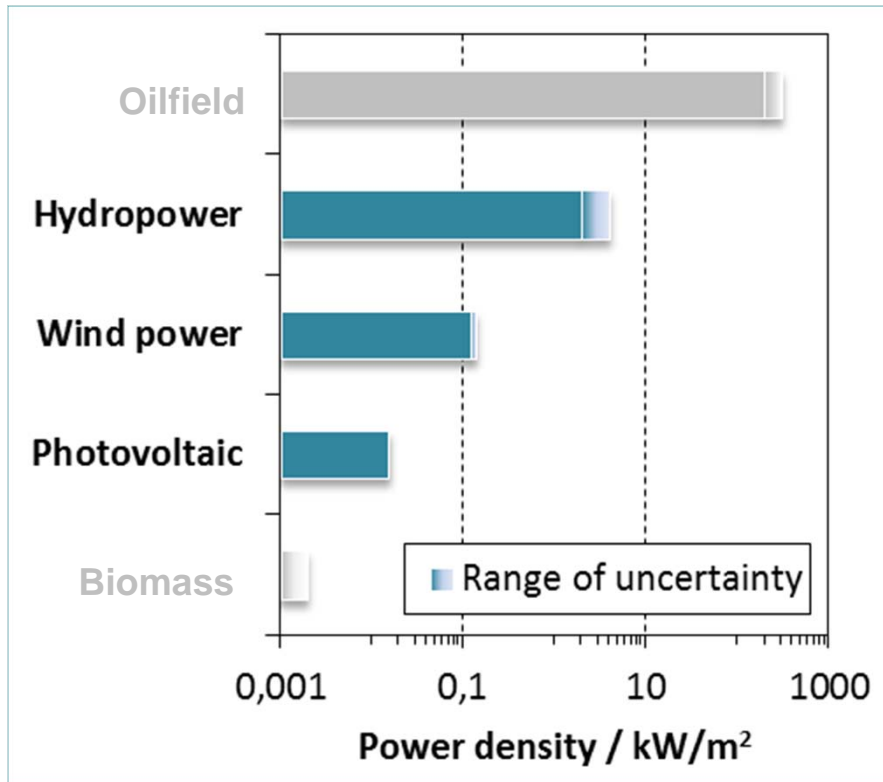
1) Selection of GHG according to [2]

2) Bandwidth according to systematics in [1]; HFC: flourinated Hydrocarbons; PFC: Perflourinated Carbons

Sources: [1] IPCC, 4th Assessment Report, Technical Summary, 2007, S. 32-33; literature usually refers to 100 years timeline

[2] Nationaler Inventarbericht zum Deutschen Treibhausgasinventar 1990 – 2009, Umweltbundesamt 2011

# Renewable Energy: Energy Density & Installed Capacity



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## Energy Density of Energy Carriers for Transportation

	Physical Storage Density		Technical Storage Density	
	[MJ l <sup>-1</sup> ]	[MJ kg <sup>-1</sup> ]	[MJ l <sup>-1</sup> ]	[MJ kg <sup>-1</sup> ]
<b>Gasoline</b>	32	43	~ 30	~ 35
<b>Hydrogen</b>	5 @ 700 bar	120	4 @ 700 bar	5 § ~ 2-3 §§
<b>Li-Ion Batteries</b>	1 – 1.8 ‡	0.4 - 0.7	0,5 – 0,9 †	0.2 – 0.4 †
<b>Li – air Batteries #</b>		~ 40		~ 4

§ Existing system by Opel / GM

§§ Fuel cell system considered

‡ 250 – 500 Wh/kg

† Cooling cells and  $\Delta$ SOC  $\leq$  50% considered

# In early laboratory stage

## Concept for a Novel Energy System

1. Timeline requires focus on Existing Game Changers and Missing Links
2. Only renewables can deliver on the GHG reductions required
3. Only electromobility can deliver on the GHG requirements
4. Wind power, electrolysis, hydrogen and fuel cells for transportation are potential game changers
5. Renewables require dynamic bulk storage like geologic H<sub>2</sub> storage
6. Cost efficiency is paramount





# Scenario of the Energy System for Germany in View of 55% CO<sub>2</sub> Reduction

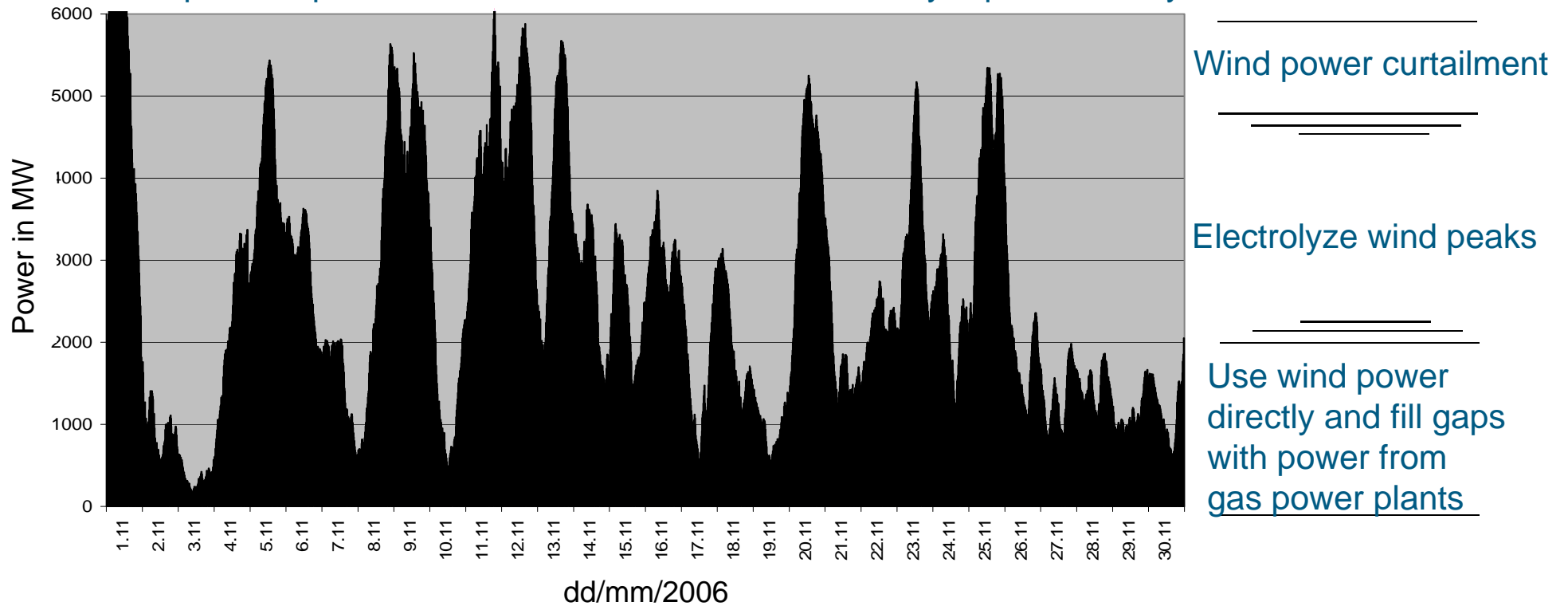
<b>Onshore Wind Power</b>	Same number of wind mills as of end 2011 (22500 units) Repowering from Ø 1.3 MW to 7,5 MW units => Σ 167 GW Averaged nominal operating hours: 2000 p.a. <sup>1</sup>
<b>Offshore Wind Power</b>	70 GW (potential according to BMU 2011 <sup>2</sup> , Fino => 4000 h)
<b>Photovoltaik</b>	24,8 GW as status of 12/2011 <sup>3</sup> , volatility considered
<b>Other Renewables</b>	Constant as of 2010 <sup>4</sup>
<b>Excess Energy</b>	Water electrolysis $\eta_{LHV} = 70\%$ <sup>5</sup> ; > 1000 operating hours Pipeline transport + storage in salt caverns
<b>Transportation</b>	Hydrogen for fuel cel cars: cruising range 14900 km/a <sup>6</sup> , consumption 1kg/100km
<b>Residential Sector</b>	50% savings on natural gas as of 2010
<b>Back-up Power</b>	Open gas turbines; combined cycles > 700 operating hours/a Part load considered by 15% reduction on nominal efficiency



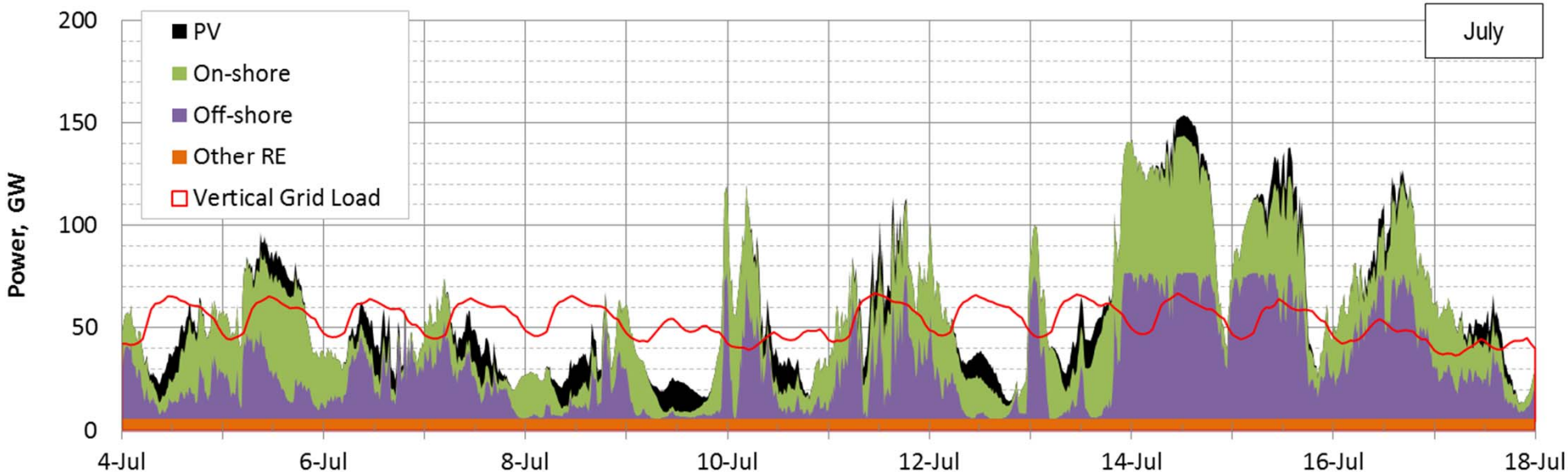
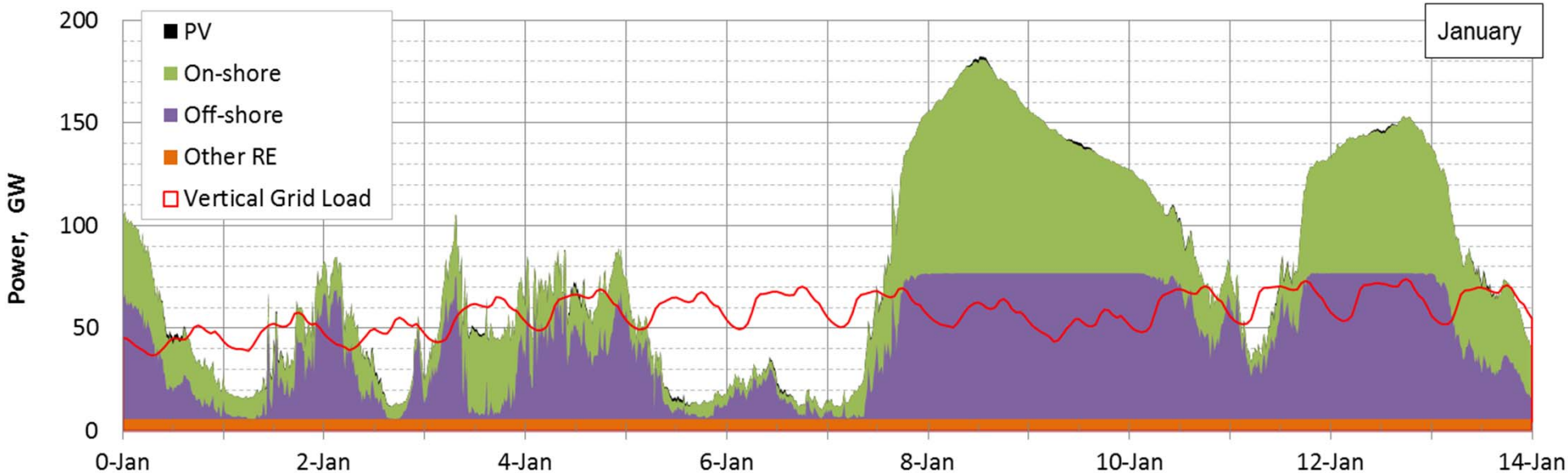


# Water Electrolysis as an Enabler for Renewables

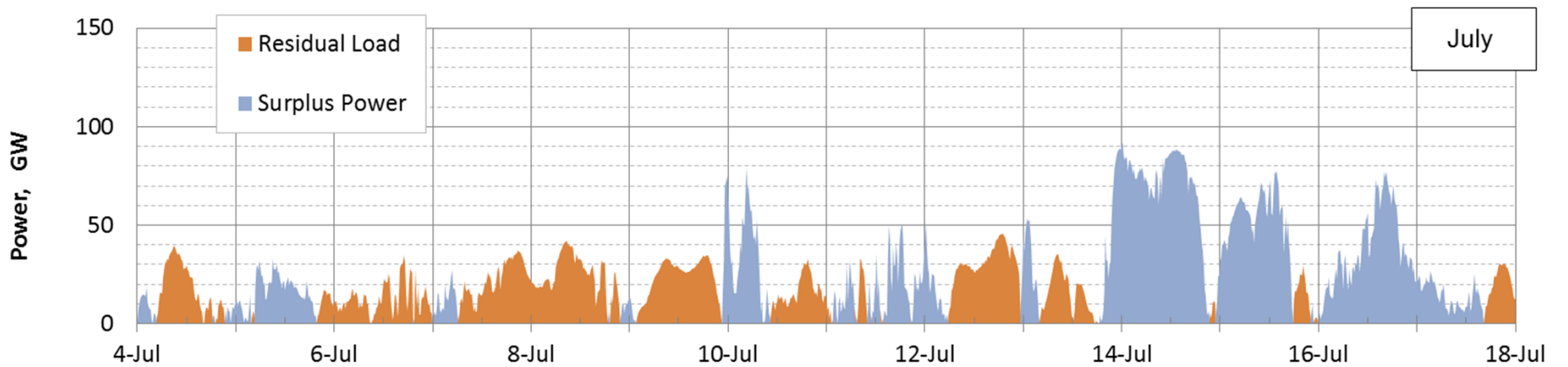
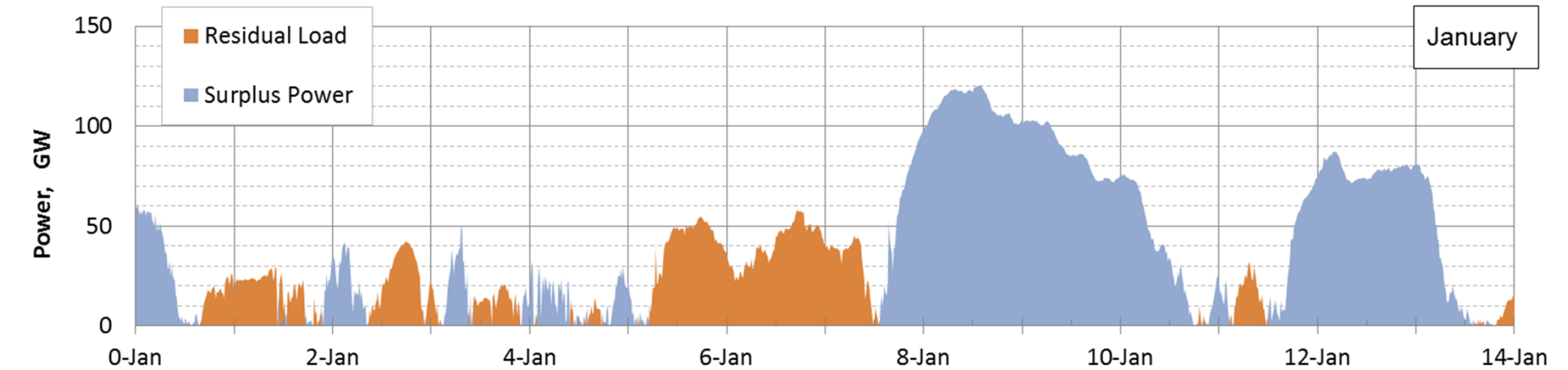
Windpower input in 2006 into the EON Grid in Germany / quarter hourly resolution



# Renewable Production in Scenario & Vertical Grid Load 2010



# Surplus Power & Residual Load in Scenario

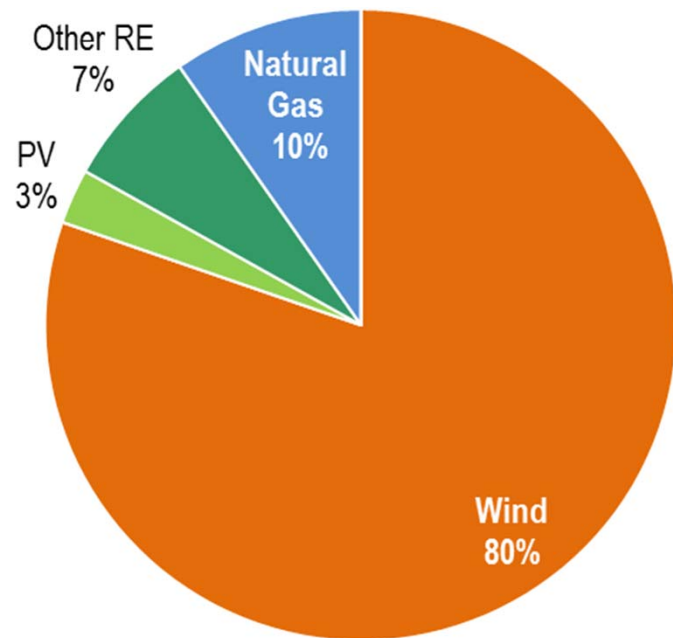


## Results for Scenario of 55 % of CO<sub>2</sub> Savings

Total amount of electricity produced; includes electricity for hydrogen production 745 TWh

Transmitted electricity (vertical grid load) 488 TWh

Electricity for hydrogen production 257 TWh => 5.4 m tonnes H<sub>2</sub>



### Power sector:

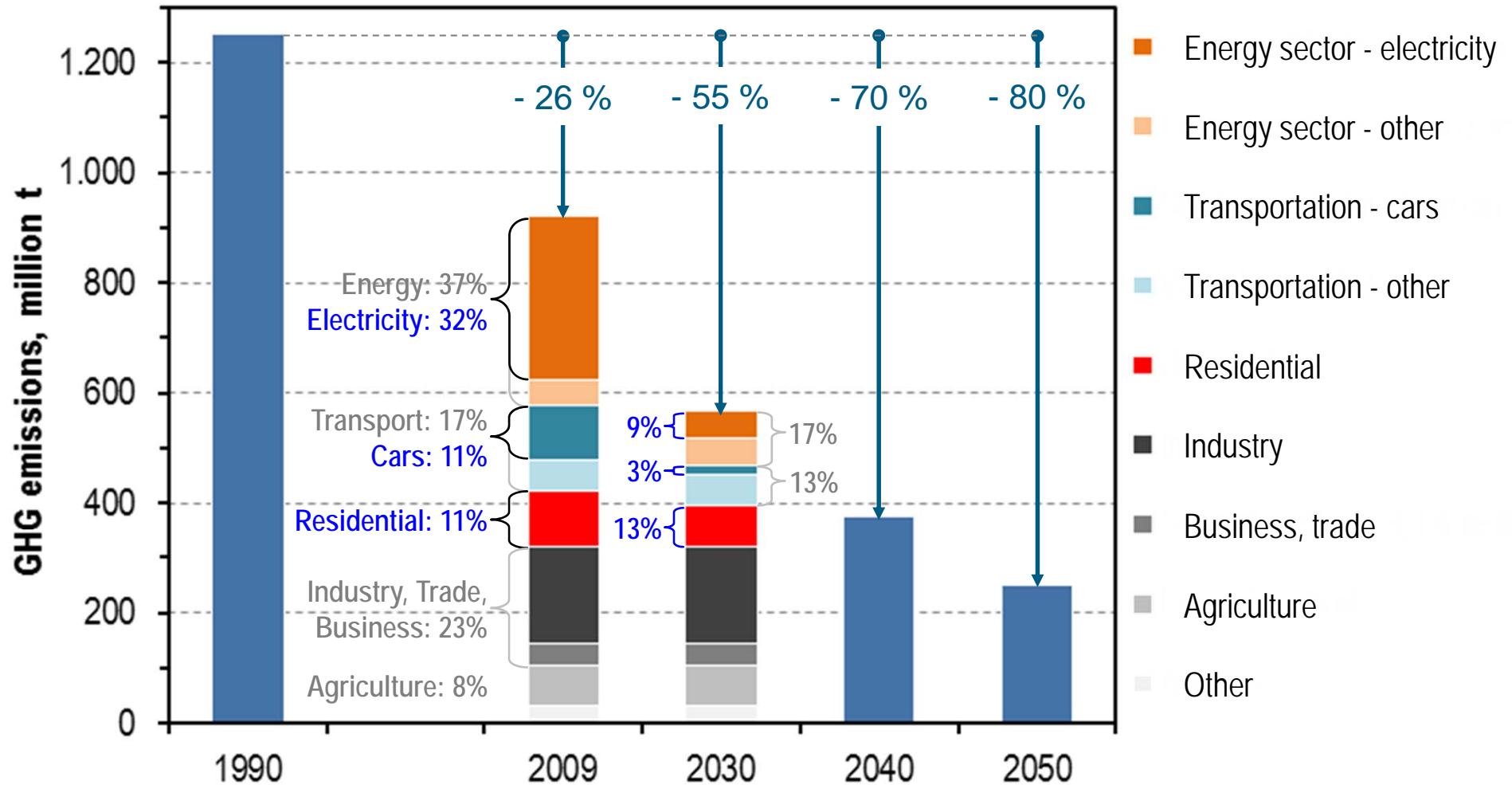
All nuclear, coal, lignite and oil is substituted  
 Natural gas used for compensating fluctuations in  
 Renewable energy

### Electricity for hydrogen production in transportation:

28.5 m vehicles  
 2.1 m light duty vehicles  
 50,000 buses

Mix of vehicles according to the study German Hy  
 Other than in German Hy all vehicles are FC vehicles

# GHG Emissions According to Scenario



2030 target is achieved. Further reductions are feasible.

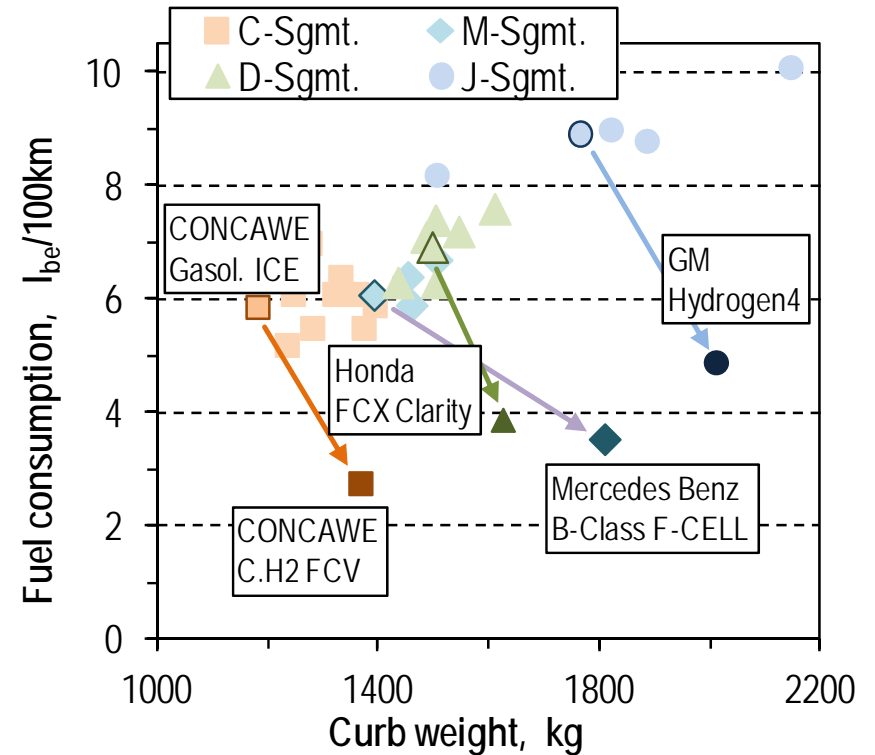
# Hydrogen avoids more CO<sub>2</sub> in Road Transport than in Electric Re-conversion

Fuel consumption ratio ICE / FCEV 2,0

CO<sub>2</sub> emissions of substituted fuel in MJ gasoline / natural gas 1,25

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**CO<sub>2</sub> avoidance through H<sub>2</sub> utilization transport / re-conversion 2,5**



**Constraints:**

**Re-conversion:** combined cycle PP after transport in NG pipelines, efficiency ≈ NG CCPP

**Road transport:** replacement of (1) less efficient power trains & (2) more carbon-rich fuel

## Daimler B-class F-Cell as an Example

- Small scale production started
- Delivery of 200 vehicles beginning of 2010

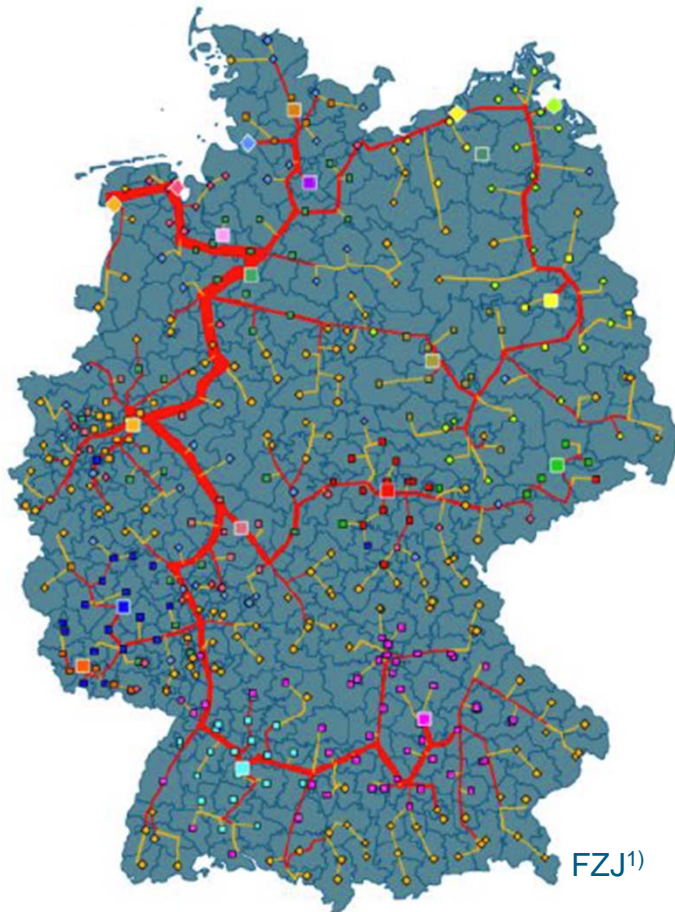


<http://media.daimler.com/dcmmedia/>  
Stuttgart 28.8.2009

Drive train	Electric motor with fuel cell
Net power (kW/PS)	100/136
Nominal torque (Nm)	290
Top speed (km/h)	170
Fuel consumption NEDC (l Diesel equivalent/100 km)	3,3
CO2 total (g/km min.–max.)	0,0
Cruising range (km) NEDC	385
Capacity/ power lithium ion battery (kWh/kW)	1,4 /35
Freeze start-up capability	Down to -25 °C



## Infrastructure: Pipeline Network



Annual hydrogen production: 5.4 m tons

Transmission grid to German districts (Landkreise)

- Length: 12,000 km
- Investment: 6-7 bn €<sup>2)</sup>

Distribution to 9800 refueling stations w/ 1500 kg H<sub>2</sub>/d

- Length: 31-47,000 km
- Investment: 13-19 bn €<sup>2)</sup>

1) Baufume, Grube, Krieg, Linssen, Weber, Hake, Stolten (2012) 12. Symp. Energieinnovation, Graz, 15-17.3. (values adapted here to larger total amount of H<sub>2</sub>)

2) incl. compressors for compensation of pressure losses

# Infrastructure: Electrolysis & Large Scale Storage



Source: Sedlacek, R: Untertage-Gasspeicherung in Deutschland; Erdöl, Erdgas, Kohle 125, Nr.11, 2009, S.412–426.

Hydrogen production: 5.4 million t/a

Max power over 1000 h: 84 GW

Storage capacity required at constant discharge: 0.8 m tons

9 bn scm

27 TWh<sub>LHV</sub>

Storage capacity for 60 day reserve approx. 90 TWh

(Pumped Hydro Power in Germany: 0.04 TWh<sub>e</sub>)

Existing NG-storage in Germany:

- 20.8 bn scm
- thereof salt dome caverns:
- 8.1 bn scm (in use)
- 12.9 bn scm (in planning/construction phase)

=> Twice the existing storage capacity in salt domes needed

## Cost Estimation for 55% Scenario in bn €

Water electrolyzers	42
Hydrogen pipeline grid	19 – 25
Gas caverns (compensating annual fluctuation)	5 <sup>§</sup> - 15 <sup>&amp;</sup>
Fueling stations (9 800 units)	20
Additional peak power plants (GT, CC)	24
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Total	110 – 126

§ compensating annual fluctuation  
& strategic reserve for 60 days

## Why should Hydrogen go to Transportation and better not be Re-converted to Electricity?

### Direct cost of hydrogen production from wind:

$$6 \text{ ct/kWh}_e / 70\% = 8,6 \text{ ct/kWh}_{\text{H}_2, \text{LHV}} = 77 \text{ ct/l}_{\text{gasoline}}$$

( 1ℓ gasoline  $\triangleq$  9 kWh<sup>1</sup>)

### Revenues for hydrogen in case of road transportation:

$$70 \text{ ct/l}_{\text{gasoline}} * 2 \text{ (= efficiency ratio FCV/ICE)} = 140 \text{ ct/l}_{\text{gasoline}} \Rightarrow \text{margin} + 63 \text{ ct/l}_{\text{gasoline}}$$

tax margin 100%; ~ 1.4 €

### Revenues for hydrogen fed into the gas grid:

$$\text{NG purchase price: } 4 \text{ ct/kWh} = 36 \text{ ct/l}_{\text{gasoline}} = 36 \text{ ct/l}_{\text{gasoline}} \Rightarrow \text{margin} - 41 \text{ ct/l}_{\text{gasoline}}$$

tax margin max 18 ct

### Revenues for hydrogen in case of methanation:

NG purchase price: 4 ct/kWh = 36 ct/l<sub>b.-eq.</sub>



$$\text{Efficiency: } \approx 75\% \Rightarrow 36 \text{ ct/l}_{\text{b.-äq.}} * 75\% = 27 \text{ ct/l}_{\text{gasoline}} \Rightarrow \text{margin} - 50 \text{ ct/l}_{\text{gasoline}}$$

[1] JEC - Joint Research Center EUCAR CONCAVE (2011) [\*Well-to-Wheels analysis of future Automotive fuels and powertrains, WtT-Appendix 1, Version 3c.\*](#)

## Conclusions

- Wind power bears the potential to transform the German energy sector
- The proposed reduction potential of 55% is achievable; the timeline until 2030 is to be clarified
- Hydrogen as a means of energy storage is indispensable since
  - *Methanation is economically not viable*
  - *Other means of storage like pumped hydro or batteries fail capacity-wise*
- There is no such thing as surplus wind power; i.e. it is not for granted and should be used most economically in transportation
- Capital cost is manageable
- The CO<sub>2</sub> reduction measures draw on:
  - *Power production: -20%*
  - *Transportation: -6,5%*
  - *Residential heating: -2,2%*
- Further reduction potential through:
  - *Biofuels as surrogates for liquid fuels*
  - *Energy conservation measures*
  - *Incorporation of contributions of other concepts like smart grids, heat pumps etc.*

Thank You for Your Attention!



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