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# The *Energiewende*

Transformation of the German energy system

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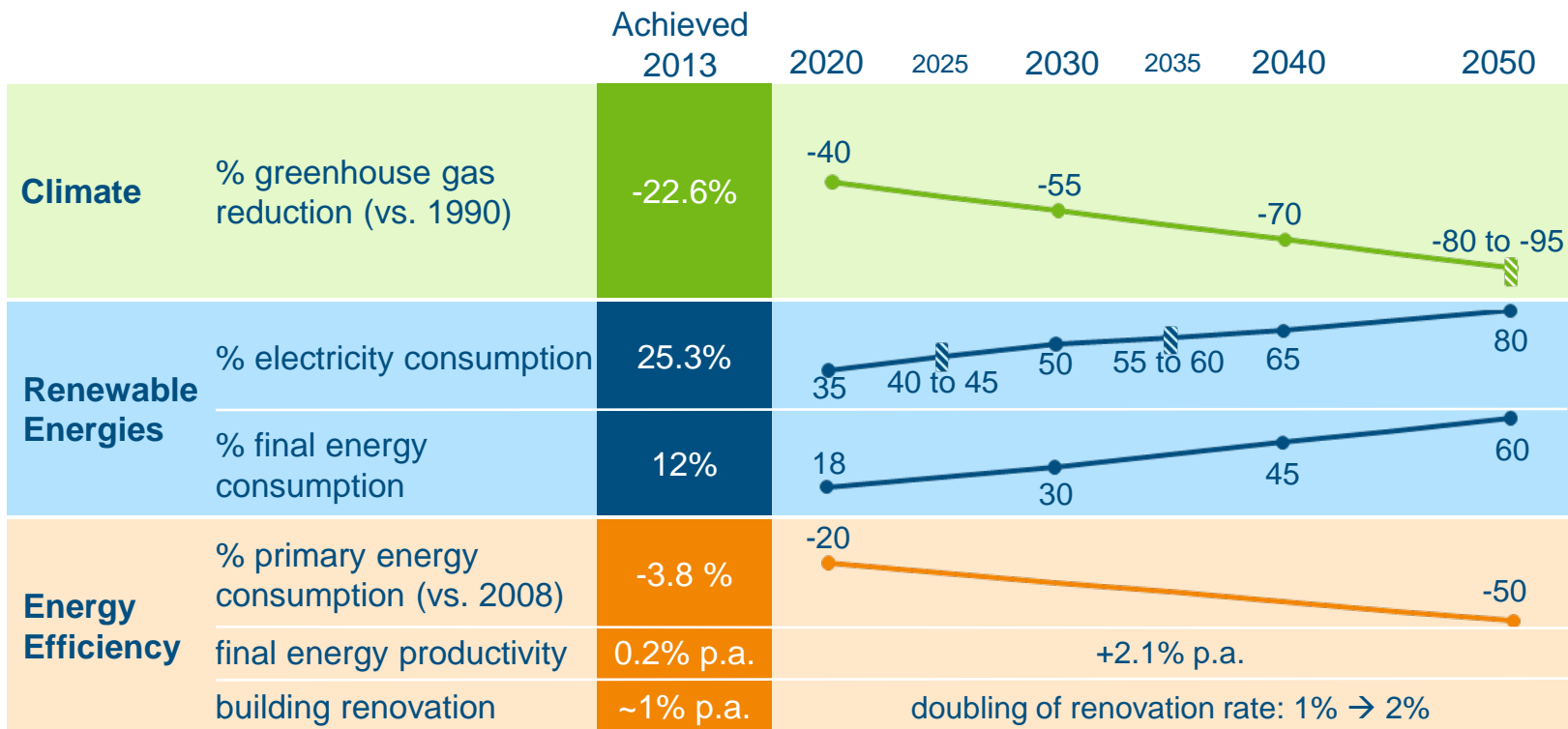
## Three target areas of the *Energiewende*



*Affordability, reliability and environmental protection are interlinked.*



## Energiewende targets until 2050

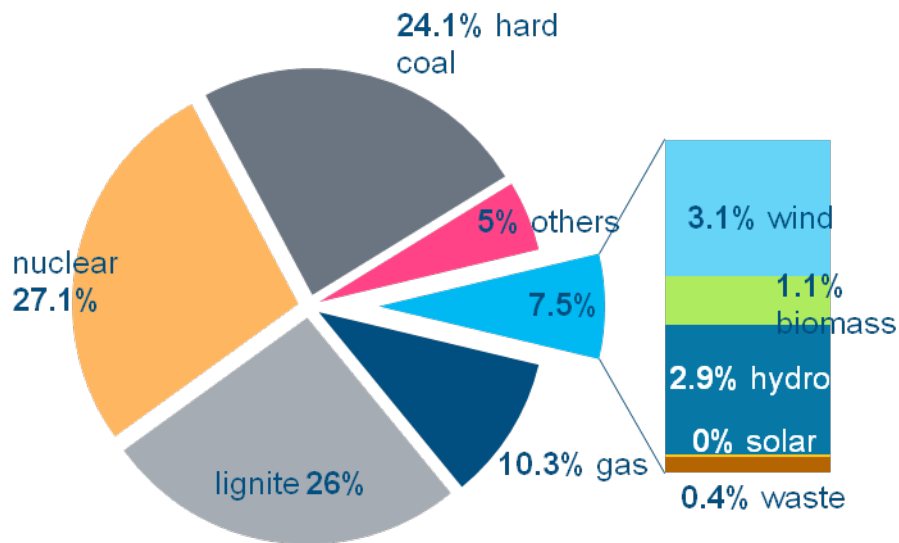


*Germany is on track to reach the ambitious targets it has set.*

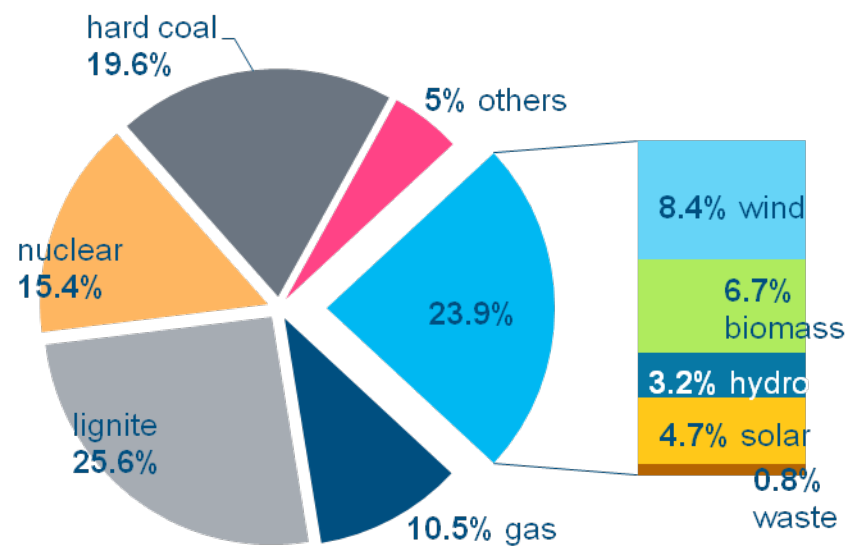


## German gross electricity production

**2003** total: 608.8 TWh  
renewables share: 45.6 TWh



**2013** total: 634 TWh  
renewables share: 147.2 TWh

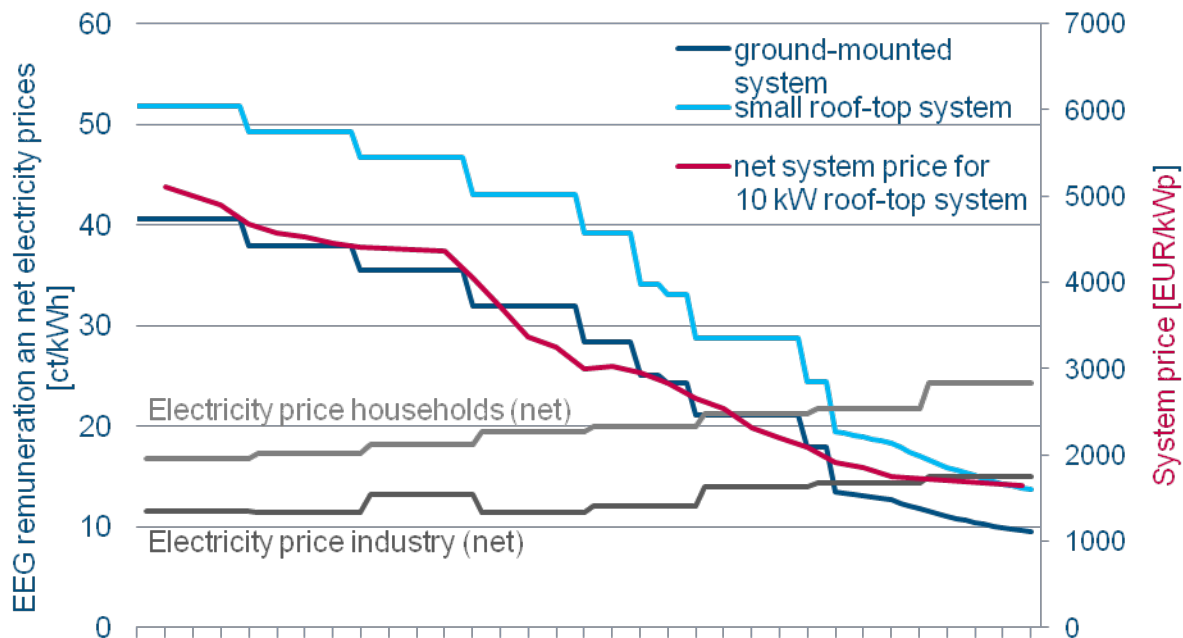


*Renewables have become a major electricity source in just ten years.*



## Feed-in Tariffs for PV: support costs decline constantly

Feed-In Tariff Solar energy (Cent/kWh)	January 2006	August 2014
<b>Roof-top installations</b>		
< 10 kW	51,80	13,15
< 30 kW**	51,80	12,8
< 100 kW	49,28	11,49
< 1000 kW	48,74	11,49
< 10 MW	48,74	9,23
<b>Ground-mounted</b>	40,60	tender





## Renewable Energy Sources Act Amendment 2014



### More coordination

- (1) Binding target corridors for RES deployment
- (2) Introducing quantity control mechanisms



### More efficiency

- (3) Focus on cost-efficient technologies



### More market integration

- (4) Increase market integration through premium system
- (5) Tendering scheme for ground-mounted PV



### More diversified distribution of costs

- (6) EEG levy on self-supply
- (7) Adjusted exemptions for the industry



### More Europe

- (8) Open auctioning scheme for European neighbours

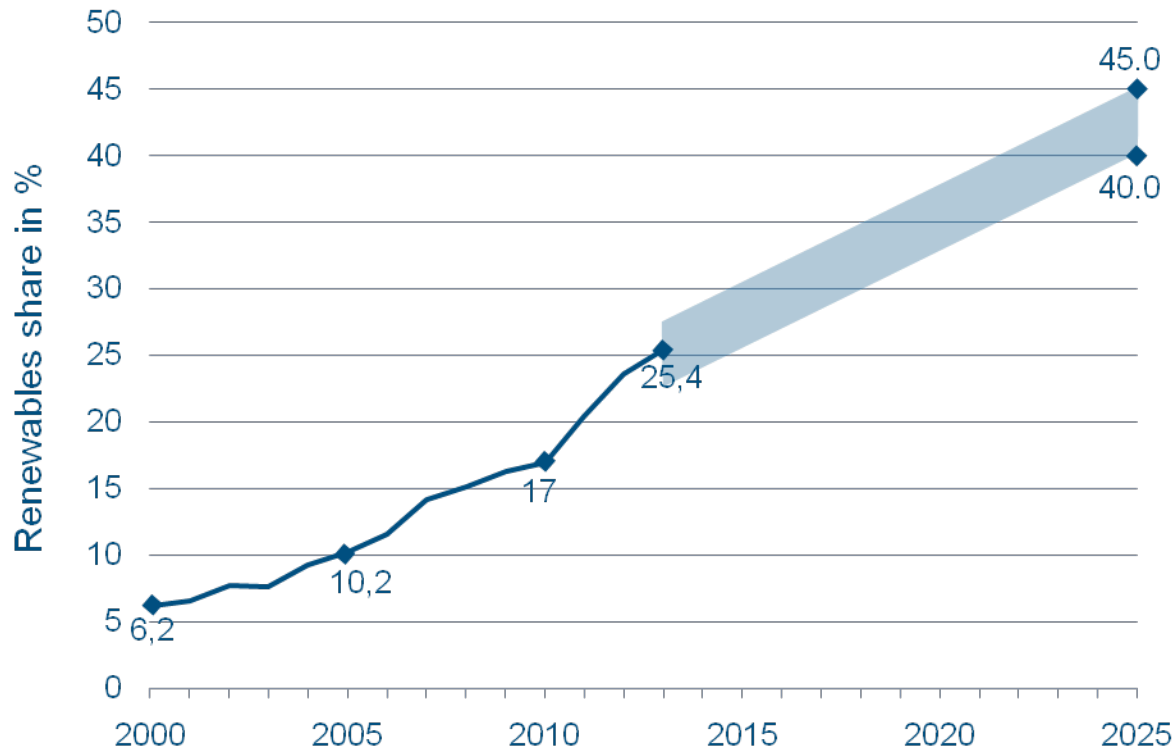
Affordability

Environmentally  
friendly energy supply

Security of supply



## Renewables share in gross electricity consumption



### Overall **target corridor**

- In 2025: between 40% and 45% RES-E
- In 2035: between 55% and 60% RES-E

### Capacity additions

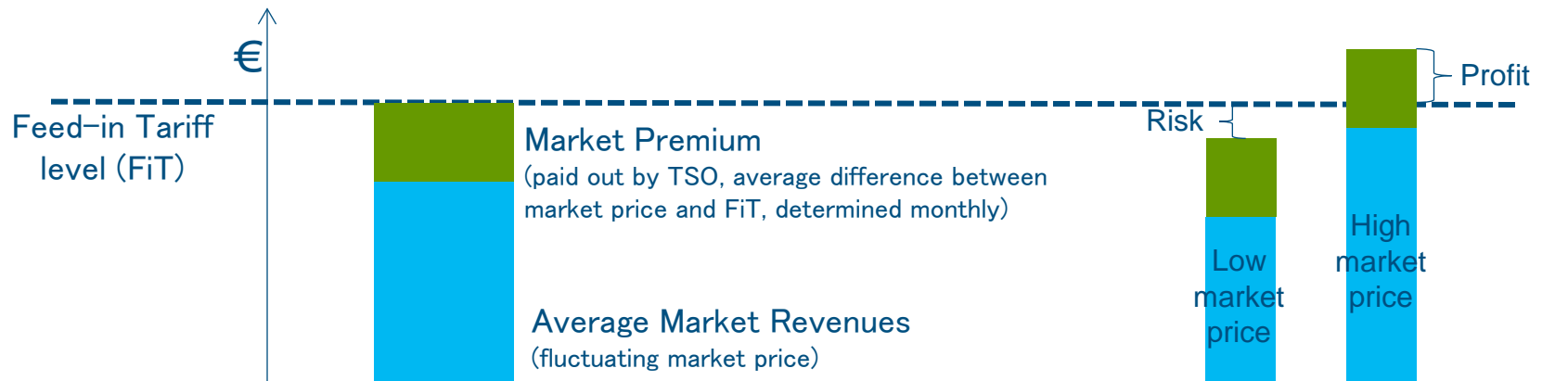
- **Onshore wind and PV**  
2 500 MW (2.5 GW) per year each
- **Bioenergy** 100 MW per year
- **Offshore wind** 6.5 GW by 2020, 15 GW by 2030

Focus on Wind and PV as most cost-effective solutions



## Increase market integration through premium system

- Market price signal reaches RES-E generators, who thus react to market needs
  - RES-E generators can create additional profit by adjustment to market prices
  - Efficient market integration, incentives improved prognosis and balancing



*The market premium bears new opportunities and incentivises flexibility.*





## Tendering scheme

- General intention: introducing tender procedures for all renewable technologies as of 2017
- First, necessary experience needs to be gained
- The first pilot phase from 2015 will cover ca. 400-600 MW ground-mounted PV per year
- Several challenges need to be solved before rolling out tendering, e.g.
  - underbidding,
  - non-realisation,
  - higher risks for investors,
  - strategic bidding

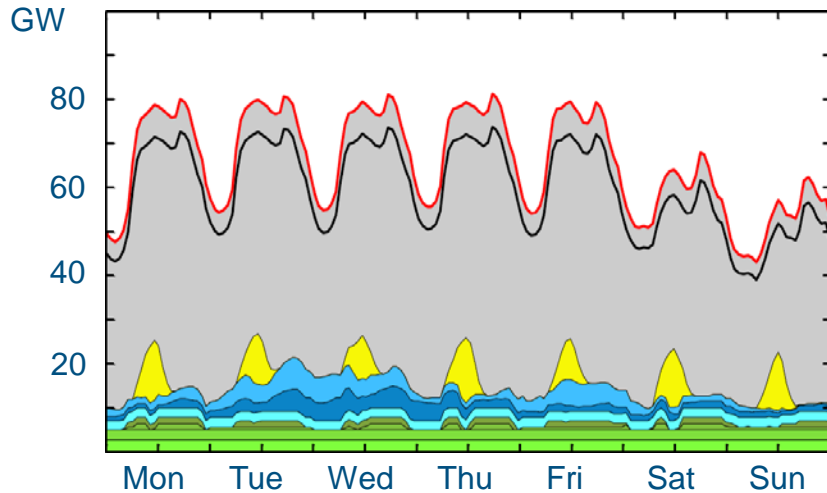


*Auctions can help to achieve further support cost reductions.*

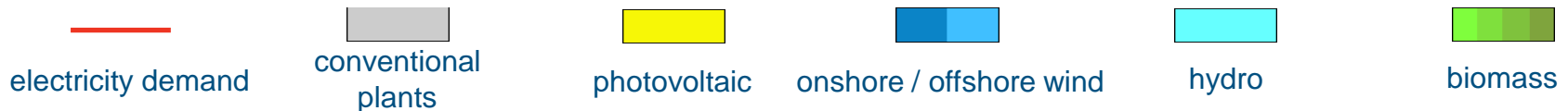
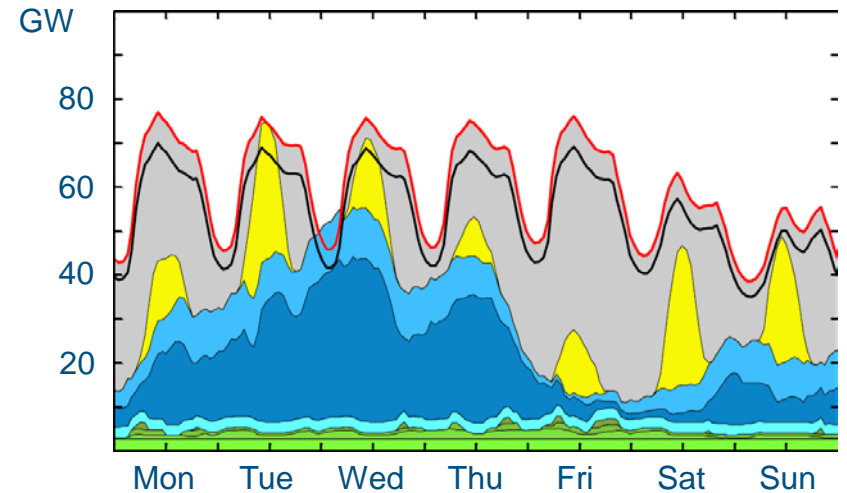


## German electricity-system volatility in 2022

Winter 2022 - week no. 46 (November)



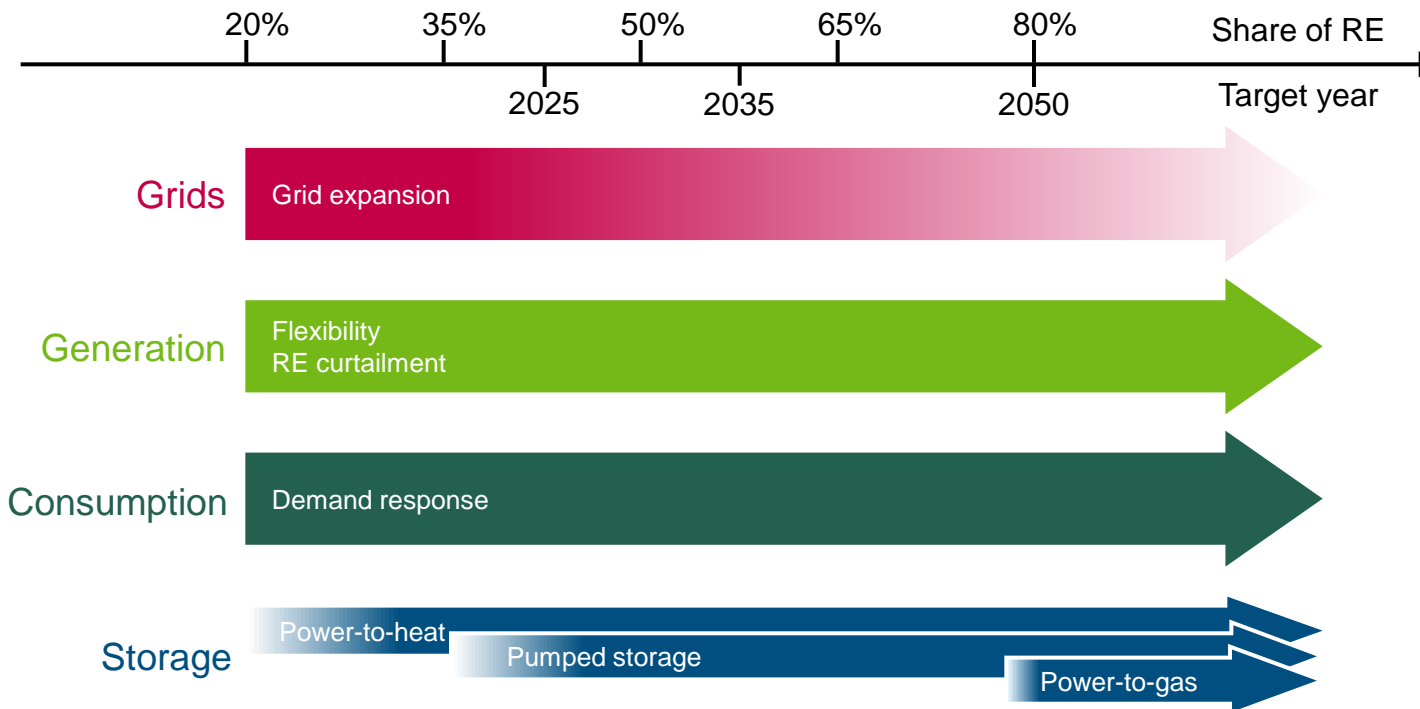
Summer 2022 - week no. 33 (September)



*Renewables can cover the total demand by 2022 but conventional back-up capacity for the winter will still be needed.*



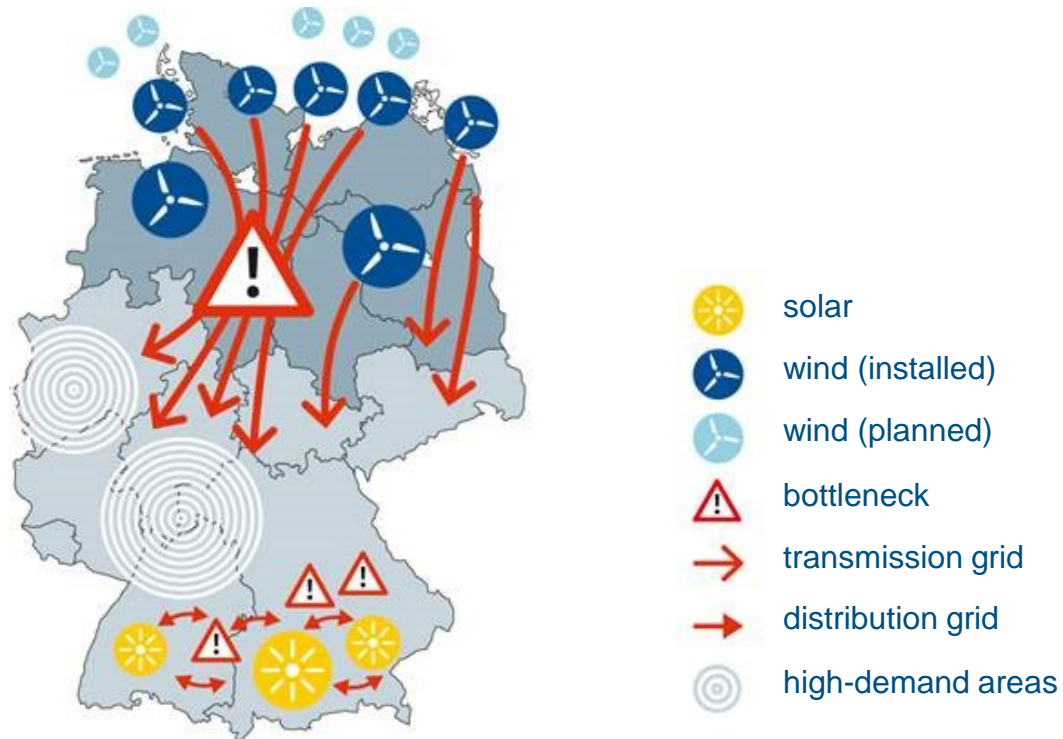
## Four areas to increase flexibility



*Different flexibility measures are suitable for varying shares of volatile renewables.*



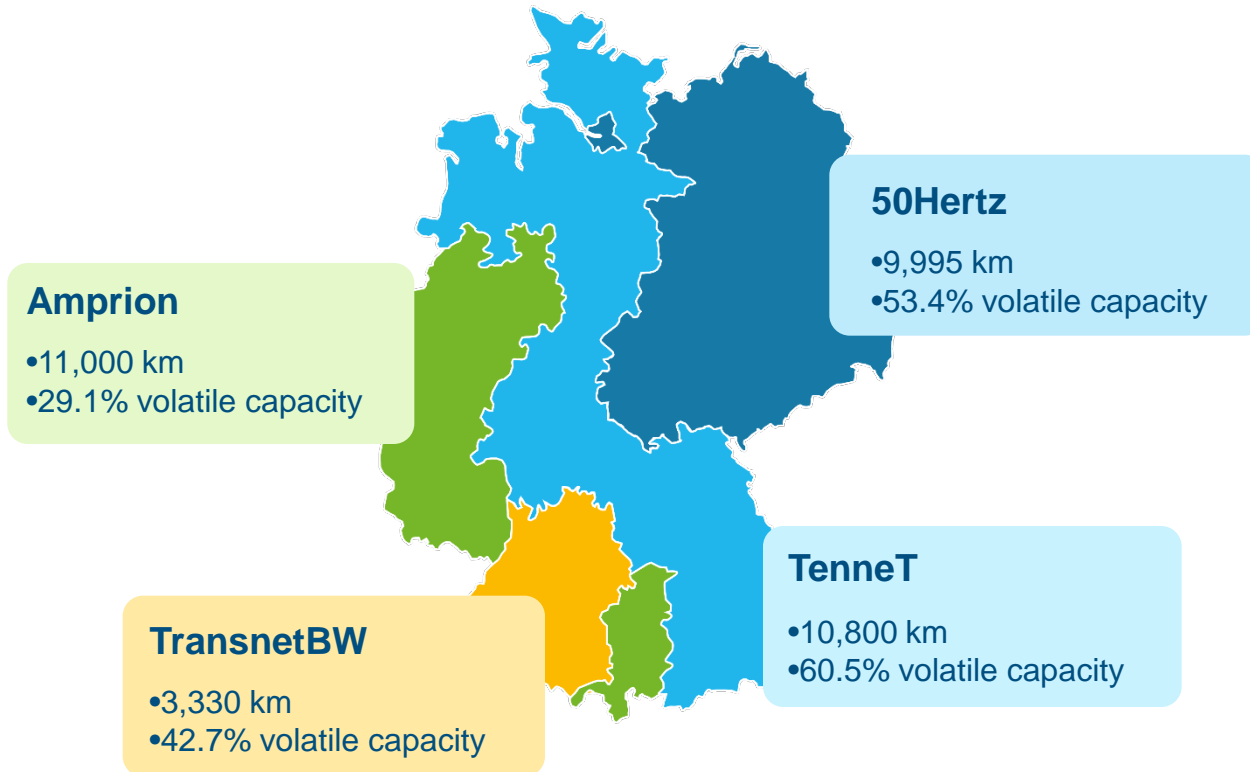
## The challenge: connecting supply and demand



*New power lines need to transport excess supply in northern Germany to southern Germany in order to prevent shortages.*



## Transmission system operators in Germany and share of fluctuating renewables production





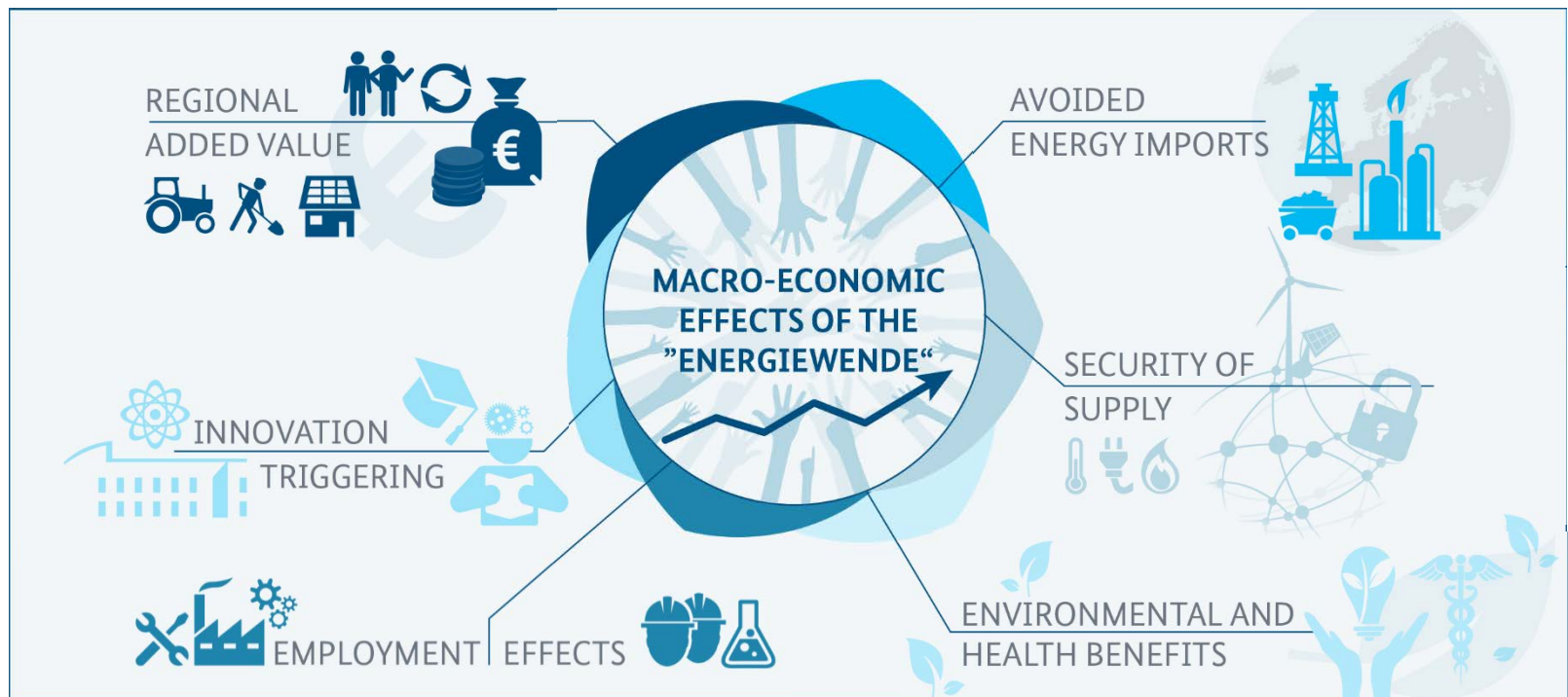
## German transmission-grid planning



*The process ensures a continuous “one-stop shop” authority and broad stakeholder participation.*



## Benefits of fostering energy efficiency and renewables



*The energy transition has positive effects on various levels.*