**The Energy System Development Plan (ESDP)**


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**Motivation and Objectives**

**Motivation**

- A holistic approach of the electricity, heat and gas sector (multi-modal energy system) leads to affordable and sustainable energy systems with a high penetration of renewable energies.
- The increasing number of distributed energy generation and storage units entering the electricity market as part of Virtual Power Plants (VPP) need to be considered in future for a reliable supply.
- Novel and high performance system modeling (simulation) techniques need to be developed in order to better predict the requirements and penetration for new technologies in future energy systems.

**Objective and approach**

- Objective of the ESDP is to develop a methodology for an integrated assessment and the prediction of realistic multimodal energy systems under different scenarios and regions.
- The ESDP introduces the concept of “Energy Cells” in order to take potentially millions of distributed conversion units in the European market into account.
- The developed methodology uses a holistic multimodal and Europe-wide market simulation considering centralized and distributed conversion and storage technologies.

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**System Modeling**

**Power Plant Data**

- Power plant (single block) data list with technical and economical parameters for Europe is used.

**Regionalization of Renewable Energies and Feed-In Time Schedules**

- Modeling based on consistent meteorological data across Europe as well as potential surfaces and status quo.

**Cell Modeling**

- Database for Distributed Energy Systems (DES) for each residential building, business and industrial site.
- Technology-specific aggregation of individual distributed energy systems in regional clusters (Energy Cells).
- Different Cell operation modes with system-wide and local objectives (e.g. self-consumption, peak shaving).

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**European Multimodal Market Simulation & Portfolio Optimization**

- The model is a multi-energy and multi-regional optimization model.
- Minimization of total variable system costs using linear programming in the market model:

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  \text{Minimize} \sum_{i} \sum_{j} (\sum_{k} p_{ij} x_{ijk} - \sum_{k} p_{ij,k} y_{ijk}) + \sum_{i} p_{ij} F_{ij} + \sum_{i} \sum_{k} q_{ijk} (\text{ENERGY}_{ijk} - \text{DEMAND}_{ijk})
  \]

- Dispatch calculation of all centralized and distributed conversion and storage units in Europe.
- Consideration of multiple opportunities for energy conversion between different energy forms.
- Integrated linear network flow model to calculate unrestricted national electricity exchange using NTC (Net Transfer Capacity) approach.
- Determination of total system costs, emissions, full-load-hours and primary energy consumption.
- Detailed insights in energy flows of the diverse energy carriers are possible.
- Portfolio optimization via including fixed costs/CAPEX:

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  \sum_{i} C_{\text{CAPEX},i} - \text{DEMAND}_{ij} x_{ijk}
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**Exemplary Scenarios (operation modes) & Results**

**Scenario 1.1**

- All heat supplying technologies in the sectors households, CTS and industry are operated in heat driven operation.

**Scenario 1.2**

- All distributed heat supplying technologies are operated in a market driven operation mode.
- Central power-to-heat (P2H) units feeding into the district heating networks are installed and simulated at each power plant location.

**Results**

- Variable heat and electricity generation costs for Germany can be reduced by 1.3 billion € (4%).
- Curtailment of renewables is reduced by more than 50% for the considered year (2060).

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**Conclusion and Outlook**

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- Development of a methodology for the simulation and subsequent analysis of multimodal energy systems, modeling electricity, heat, transport and different fuel types.
- The model considers energy conversion and storage in centralized and distributed energy systems as well as energy transmission and distribution.
- The Energy Cell approach is introduced as a modeling concept for representing DES in residential, CTS, industrial and transport sector while retaining a regional distinction.
- Significant system impact of centralized P2H units in an operation mode controlled by electricity market prices.
- Heat and electricity generation costs, emissions and dumped energy can be notably reduced.

**Outlook**

- Analysis of scenarios investigating different technologies, distribution and transmission grid system impact.
- Analysis of optimal portfolios and technology consequences.
- Taking into account effects of regulatory and micro-economic drivers.
- Extension to other regions (US, Asia) and identification of migration paths.