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Preface

What was the greatest scientific jump, crossroad or invented theory of a modern society? I would say publication of Darwin's evolution theory in 1859. After his voyage on HMS Beagle, he made conclusions and hypothesis on a natural selection, that was not proven by the experiments with calculated uncertainty and confidence levels, but at that time it was not necessary to go so deep in the experiments, as the evidences were all around the world and he just observed them in scientific way and made the right conclusions. The society was not the same anymore, as well as the scientific community. Two years after, another scientist, British physicist John Tyndall formulated and proved another interesting hypothesis, that unfortunately did not cause drastic change in thinking of society and scientist. His theory was that the temperature changes in the atmosphere are related to the changes of amount of a carbon dioxide stored in it. 150 years later, we have many evidences, measured statistical data with calculated uncertainty levels and still, we have many scientists, educated people on the leading positions within society, who are sceptical about it. As well, as there are still people who are sceptical about Darwin's evolution theory. Why is this so? The thesis will certainly not answer this question.

Measured fact is that an average concentration of CO_2 in the atmosphere in January 2012 was at 393.09 ppm_v, which is about 110 ppm_v more than in a preindustrial era and according the ice core measurements, it represents the highest concentration in the last 400,000 years. Similar, there is also a high increase in the emissions of other gasses that have even bigger impact on the greenhouse mechanism. What will be the response of nonlinear system with many positive feedbacks and variables that have been increased high above the normal levels? Shall we follow the market trend and its business-as-usual scenario or there is still time to change, time to minimize the damage of global warming? As we are certain that we cannot change the past, as well as we are certain that we cannot exactly predict the future, we can just interpret the data, build the simulation models and according to their results try to make a policy that will satisfy mankind's hunger for energy by the least harmful way of the entropy production and by causing the minimal impact to the environment. There are many solutions or alternatives how Prof. Lund calls them in his last book Renewable Energy Systems, so we need to analyse them carefully and choose one, or a proper mix of several alternatives. This thesis should form a part of foundations for proving that only 100% independent energy systems based upon 100% RES supply and backed up by the energy storage will made sustainable development possible and rationale alternative for the future.

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Summary

The ultimate goals of sustainable development of the modern societies are planning and development of energy systems, thus the most of developed countries focused their energy policies on the development of sustainable energy systems. These systems should provide security of energy supply, they should be competitive and cause minimal impact to the environment. In a long term, only renewable energy sources supported by energy storage could fulfil these requirements. There are many RES and storage technologies so it is important to optimize their selection and integration in the energy systems. Today, there are many methods, methodologies and computer tools for solving problems of energy planning with high share of distributed and renewable energy sources but only few of them successfully integrate energy storage and provide adequate results. To enhance the security of energy supply, efficiency and safety of the grid connected energy systems, in the conditions of increased penetration of distributed and renewable sources, it is necessary to increase the flexibility of the system. This also includes increasing the capacities of energy storage, on the side of the power plants as well as on the end-use side. RenewIslands/ADEG methodology for the integration of energy storage is based on mapping of local needs for electricity, heating and cooling energy, transport fuels and similar, mapping of local potentials of RES, cogeneration and polygeneration and feasibility of energy storage and demand management measures, such as reversible hydro, batteries, compressed air storage, hydrogen, production of different fuels, water desalination, etc. Combined, with IEA FAST methodology for integration of variable renewable energy sources they qualitatively determine more detailed way towards 100% RES systems. As support of the methodology two energy planning models H₂RES and EnergyPLAN were used for analysis of scenarios for development of 100% RES systems with integrated energy storage. Presented results include 100% RES islands, 100% RES electricity production for Portugal and 100% RES energy system of Croatia. Today the most widespread storage in the power systems is the pumped or reversible hydro storage which has many advantages but as any other storage technology it can be economical under certain conditions, and it has an impact to the environment. To ensure of necessary construction and minimize the risk to investors, feed-in tariff for storage system have been proposed. Thesis answers the question what is the role of energy storage in a planning of an independent energy system based on RES energy supply. It also shows how under a given circumstances energy storage maximises utilization of RES, provides security of energy supply and minimizes environmental impact of energy systems.

Sažetak

Energetskih sustavi, njihovo planiranje i razvoj su nezaobilazna komponenta u postizanju održivog razvoja modernog društva te je velika većina razvijenih zemalja fokusirala svoju politiku upravo na razvoju održivih energetskih sustava. Ti sustavi bi trebali nuditi sigurnost dobave energije, biti konkurentni te prihvatljivi za okoliš. Dugoročno gledano, jedino obnovljivi izvori energije (OIE) potpomognuti skladištenjem energije mogu zadovoljiti postavljene ciljeve. Kako postoje mnogi oblici OIE te skladištenja energije, postavlja se zahtjev za njihovo optimalno integriranje i uključivanje u energetske sustave.

Danas postoje mnoge metode, metodologije i računalni programi za rješavanje problema planiranja energetskih sustava s visokim udjelom obnovljivih i distribuiranih izvora energije, no samo nekolicina njih uspješno integrira skladištenje energije te daje zadovoljavajuća rješenja. Za povećanje sigurnosti dobave energije, te učinkovitosti i sigurnosti mrežnih energetskih sustava u uvjetima povećanja penetracije distribuiranih i obnovljivih izvora energije, potrebno je povećati fleksibilnost, a time i sposobnost skladištenja energije, kako na strani energetskih postrojenja, tako i na strani potrošača. RenewIslands/ADEG metodologija za integriranje sustava za skladištenje energije se zasniva na snimanju stanja lokalnih potreba za električnom energijom, toplinskom energijom i hlađenjem, gorivima za transport i slično, te lokalnih obnovljivih resursa, potencijala za kogeneraciju i poligeneraciju, te mogućim tehničkim rješenjima za skladištenje energije kao što su reverzibilne hidroelektrane, baterije, vodik, toplinski i rashladni spremnici, goriva u sektoru transporta.

Teza daje odgovore na pitanje koju ulogu ima skladištenje energije u potpuno nezavisnim energetskim sustavima zasnovanim na dobavi energije iz OIE te na koji način pod zadanim uvjetima skladištenje energije maksimizira iskorištavanje OIE, osigurava sigurnost dobave energije te minimizira utjecaj energetskih sustava na okoliš.

Prošireni sažetak

Ključne riječi: energetska planiranje, skladištenje energije, obnovljivi izvori energije, potpuno obnovljivi energetski sustavi, poticajne tarife, održivi razvoj

Današnji energetska sustavi razvijenih zemalja su vrlo složeni te analiza ovih sustava i njihovo adekvatno planiranje su vrlo zahtjevni. Energetska planiranje je još složenije zbog liberaliziranih energetskih tržišta te raznih izazova i pitanja koja se pojavljuju u društvu kao što su klimatske promjene, sigurnost dobave te razna ekonomska i politička prihvatljivost određenih energetskih postrojenja i rješenja. Kao jedan od mogućih odgovora na spomenute izazove nameću su obnovljivi izvori energije (OIE). No obnovljivi izvori energije zbog svojih karakteristika kao što su intermitentnost, nestalnost i periodičnost dodatno otežavaju planiranje postavljajući nove uvjete i zahtjeve. Danas postoje mnoge metode, metodologije i računalni programi za rješavanje problema planiranja energetskih sustava s visokim udjelom obnovljivih i distribuiranih izvora energije, no samo nekolicina njih uspješno integrira skladištenje energije te daje zadovoljavajuća rješenja. Za povećanje sigurnosti dobave energije, te učinkovitosti i sigurnosti mrežnih energetskih sustava u uvjetima povećanja penetracije distribuiranih i obnovljivih izvora energije, potrebno je povećati fleksibilnost, a time i sposobnost skladištenja energije, kako na strani energetskih postrojenja, tako i na strani potrošača. RESTEP metodologija za integriranje sustava za skladištenje energije razvijena je iz Renewisland/ADEG metodologije te FAST metode te se zasniva na snimanju stanja lokalnih potreba za električnom energijom, toplinskom energijom i hlađenjem, gorivima za transport i slično, te lokalnih obnovljivih resursa, potencijala za kogeneraciju i poligeneraciju, te mogućim tehničkim rješenjima za skladištenje energije kao što su reverzibilne hidroelektrane, baterije, vodik, toplinski i rashladni spremnici, goriva za transport. Ta metodologija, osim što upućuje na tehnološki optimalno rješenje, vodi računa i o ekonomičnosti rješenja, kao i o utjecaju primjene rješenja na smanjenje emisija u okoliš, smanjenje zagađenja voda, povećanje zapošljavanja, podršku javnosti i lokalne zajednice.

Potrebe za skladištenjem energije istaknute su od strane mnogih autora (Duić, Lund, Carvalho) kao sredstvo koje može pomoći pri uravnoteženju potražnje i dobave energije, a koje u slučaju korištenja OIE mogu biti izrazito neusklađene. Duić i Carvalho pokazuju na primjeru portugalskog otoka Porto Santo, na koji način se mogu planirati otočni sustavi s velikim udjelom energije iz intermitentnih, obnovljivih izvora, kao što su energija vjetra i energija Sunčeva zračenja, pri čemu za njihovo uspješno integriranje predlažu skladištenje

energije u elektrokemijskom obliku to jest elektrolizu vode i proizvodnju te skladištenje vodika u vrijeme niske potražnje i visokog iskoristivog potencijala OIE. Vodik se potom može koristiti u gorivnim člancima za proizvodnju električne energije u vrijeme visoke potražnje i nedostatne proizvodnje energije iz OIE.

Iz radova koji se bave sličnom tematikom može se zaključiti da se problem integracije OIE najprije počeo pojavljivati u energetske sustavima otoka, u kojima se zbog male potrošnje i opterećenja, vrlo brzo mogla postići velika penetracija energije iz OIE na godišnjoj bazi, a što je još izrazitije u kraćim vremenskim periodima. Odnos između veličine elektroenergetskog sustava i mogućnosti prihvata energije iz vjetroelektrana navodi se u knjizi *Wind power in power systems* (Wiely & sons Ltd., 2005.) gdje autori zaključuju da veći sustavi na godišnjoj bazi mogu ostvariti znatno manju stopu penetracije energije iz vjetroelektrana bez većih posljedica na rad sustava. No za manje sustave (Duić, Krajačić) pokazuju da se integracijom energetske tokova iz više vrsta izvora, za istu zadanu sigurnost sustava u vidu ograničavanja trenutne penetracije energije iz intermitentnih izvora, mogu postići veći udjeli OIE u zadovoljavanju predviđene godišnje potrošnje električne energije. Isti autori zaključuju da se uz zadana ograničenja u otočnim energetske sustavima može postići 100% penetracija OIE samo uz korištenje nekog oblika skladištenja energije. Zbog kompleksnosti problema integracije OIE u energetske sustave predlaže se korištenje Renewislands metodologije, a čime se olakšava planiranje održivih energetske sustava otoka u kojima se nastoji što više energije proizvesti iz lokalno dostupnih resursa, a što u većini slučajeva rezultira visokim udjelom OIE te integracijom energetske tokova i skladištenja energije. Ono što je bitno za ovu metodologiju da se zbog intermitencije i varijabilnosti OIE promatrani sustavi moraju analizirati na satnoj osnovi. Upravo zbog neusklađenosti potražnje i dobave te poteškoća kod sagledavanja problema statistički, npr. pomoću sredenih krivulja opterećenja te Weibulove razdiobe za distribuciju brzina vjetra, a o kojoj ovisi proizvodnja električne energije iz vjetroelektrana, u analizi otočnog sustava Porto Santo Duić i Carvalho predlažu satnu analizu energetske sustava kao bolji pristup sagledavanju potreba za skladištenjem te mogućnosti za integraciju različitih tokova. Renewislands metodologiju se proširuje u ADEG metodologiju kako bi se moglo što bolje ocijeniti i optimirati razmatrane scenarije.

Lund je kroz nekoliko radova također pokazao da se satni pristup analizi energetske sustava može uspješno primijeniti i na velike umrežene energetske sustave te je dokazao da se ukupni “kritični višak proizvodnje električne energije” iz pojedinih intermitentnih izvora na godišnjoj

bazi ne razlikuje s obzirom na različitu satnu distribuciju potencijala izvora kroz promatranu godinu.

Vodeći se metodologijom za regulaciju i smanjivanje “kritičnog viška proizvodnje električne energije” te korištenjem EnergyPLAN modela za satnu analizu nacionalnog energetskog sustava, Lund uspješno provodi tehničku i tržišnu optimizaciju nekoliko izvora s obzirom na različite uvjete. Dok Lund i Vad Matheisen koristeći primjer Danske pokazuju da su sustavi zasnovani na potpunoj dobavi energije iz OIE mogući, no da je rješavanje udjela pojedinih izvora te planiranje takvih sustava vrlo složeno pitanje.

Kako bi ocijenili mogućnost prihvata varijabilnih OIE u elektroenergetske sustave Međunarodna energetska agencija - IEA predlaže korištenje FAST metodologije. Ova metodologija ističe skladištenje energije kao jedan od izvora fleksibilnosti koji uvelike mogu pomoći pri uravnoteženju sustava. Skladištenje energije Carvalho ističe kao jedan od 4 temelja budućih energetskih sustava u dekarboniziranom svijetu tzv. Post Carbon Society.

Prema Strategiji energetskog razvoja Republike Hrvatske iz 2009. godine očekuje se da će instalirana snaga vjetroelektrana u Republici Hrvatskoj u 2020. godini iznositi do 1200 MW, odnosno za istu godinu postavljen je cilj da udio vjetroelektrana u ukupnoj potrošnji električne energije u RH iznosi 9 do 10%. Dinamika izgradnje vjetroelektrana određivat će se u programima provedbe Strategije, ovisno o regulacijskim sposobnostima hrvatskog elektroenergetskog sustava, mogućnosti uravnoteženja u elektroenergetskom sustavu na otvorenom domaćem elektroenergetskom tržištu, sposobnosti domaće industrije i drugih čimbenika u izgradnji vjetroelektrana te raspoloživom proračunu za poticaje. Sadašnja gornja granica mogućnosti priključenja vjetroelektrana od oko 400 MW instalirane snage značajno je manja od predviđenog cilja dok će ciljevi nakon 2020. sigurno uključivati znatno veće kvote za priključivanje vjetroelektrana i solarnih fotonaponskih elektrana. Stoga će se morati uložiti znatni naponi u razvoju i izgradnji elektroenergetskog sustava, kako bi se ostvarili ciljevi zadani Strategijom te ciljevi preuzetih obveza iz europskih direktiva i europskog energetsko-klimatskog paketa 20-20-20.

Bez obzira na način: proizvodnjom i skladištenjem vodika, korištenjem reverzibilnih hidroelektrana, u obliku biomase i proizvodnjom bioplina, u baterijama, u komprimiranom zraku ili u toplinskim i rashladnim spremnicima skladištenje energije je tehnološki i ekonomski vrlo zahtjevno. Financijska isplativost ovih procesa i tehnologija može se poboljšati integracijom energetskih tokova, transformacije i potrošnje energije na mjestu

potrošača, kao što su korištenje vodika za proizvodnju električne energije u gorivim člancima te njegovo korištenje kao pogonskog goriva u transportu (Duić, Lund, Krajačić, Zoulas). Primjena vodika u gorivim člancima isto tako može se koristiti za kogeneraciju, to jest, može se integrirati proizvodnja električne i toplinske energije potrebne za zagrijavanje prostora ili proizvodnja tople vode (Vad Mathiesen). Pored integracije energetske tokove, skladištenje energije povećava fleksibilnost distribuiranih energetske izvora jer omogućava optimizaciju proizvodnje, a isto tako pozitivno utječe na povećanje penetracije distribuiranih izvora čime se osigurava sigurnost dobave energije. Za vrijeme niske potražnje ili jeftinije proizvodnje, energija se skladišti da bi se otpuštala iz spremnika kada je potražnja za energijom najveća, a cijena najviša.

Hipoteza i opis istraživanja

Cilj istraživanja je poboljšati postupak planiranja potpuno obnovljivih energetske sustava primjenom skladištenja energije te pokazati na koji način pod zadanim uvjetima skladištenje energije maksimizira iskorištavanje obnovljivih izvora energije, osigurava sigurnost dobave energije, i minimizira utjecaj energetske sustava na okoliš. Rad će provjeriti hipotezu da je moguće pronaći takav sustav skladištenja energije, koji će omogućiti integraciju energetske tokove, transformacije i potrošnje energije na mjestu potrošača, proizvođača ili dobavljača energije, a koji će biti ekonomski, ekološki i socijalno prihvatljiv te će doprinijeti i povećanju energetske učinkovitosti.

Metodologija za optimizaciju skladištenja energije i integraciju energetske tokove se temelji na rezultatima istraživanja koja su provedena u sklopu Šestog okvirnog programa za znanost Europske komisije (FP6) na projektima Advanced decentralized energy generation in Western Balkans (ADEG) i RenewIslands. Projekt ADEG se fokusirao na decentralizirane sustave za proizvodnju toplinske i električne energije dok je projekt RenewIslands nastojao riješiti problem veće penetracije obnovljivih izvora u otočne energetske sustave pomoću vodika kao energetske vektora. U navedenim projektima uočena je potreba za istraživanjem i optimizacijom sustava skladištenja energije, uz integraciju energetske tokove s čime bi se pridonijelo održivosti energetike lokalnih sustava, a time i održivom razvoju u cjelini. Nadalje, pored testiranja metodologije, provedena je i detaljna analiza energetske sustava na dva računalna programa (matematička modela) za energetske planiranje H₂RES i EnergyPLAN te je ispitana veza između nedavno predstavljene FAST metodologije i skladištenja energije.

H₂RES model je razvijen kao pomoćni alat Renewislands metodologije, a zasniva se na satnoj analizi s jedne strane potrošnje vode, električne energije, toplinske energije i vodika, a s druge strane vjetropotencijala, sunčeva zračenja, količine oborina, biomase, geotermalne energije, valova i klasičnih fosilnih goriva kao izvora odnosno resursa. Modul za vjetar koristi satnu brzinu vjetra, najčešće uzetu s meteorološke stanice na 10 m visine, koju prilagođava na visinu kućišta vjetroatagregata te za dani izbor vjetroturbina pretvara brzinu vjetra u izlaznu snagu. Slično i ostali moduli koriste satne meteorološke podatke kako bi se iz odabranih postrojenja dobila odgovarajuća satna proizvodnja. Geotermalni modul i modul za fosilna goriva bazirani su na instaliranoj snazi postrojenja te njihovom minimalnom opterećenju. Modul za biomasu omogućuje detaljan izbor izvora te tehnologija za pretvorbu biomase u korisne oblike energije. Glavni modul za opterećenje uzima u obzir sve gore navedene podatke te na osnovu danog kriterija o maksimalno dopuštenom udjelu električne energije iz obnovljivih izvora u elektroenergetskom sustavu, provodi uravnoteženje (bilanciranje) sustava na satnom nivou te rješava pitanje viška i manjka energije ovisno o prioritetima postavljenim u jednadžbama modela. Sam model može isto tako optimizirati potrošnju vode i vodika. U tezi je iznesen detaljan opis glavnih modula H₂RES modela.

EnergyPLAN je ulazno/izlazni model koji provodi godišnju analizu s jednim satom kao korakom ili osnovnim periodom za bilanciranje. Za ulaze se definiraju potrošnja i instalirana snaga postrojenja, kao i satna distribucija opterećenja i potrošnje te distribucija intermitentnih OIE. Veliki broj tehnologija je uključen u programu, što omogućuje rekonstrukciju svih elemenata energetskog sustava te omogućava analizu za integraciju tehnologija. Model je namijenjen za kreiranje scenarija s velikim udjelom intermitentnih obnovljivih izvora te analizu kogeneracijskih-CHP sustava s velikom interakcijom između dobave električne energije i topline. EnergyPLAN je korišten za simulaciju 100% obnovljivog energetskog sustava otoka Mljeta u Hrvatskoj i cijele Kraljevine Danske. Korišten je u raznim studijama za ispitivanje velikog prihvata energije vjetra u energetske sustave, optimalnu kombinaciju obnovljivih izvora energije, upravljanje “kritičnim viškom proizvodnje” električne energije, integraciju energije iz vjetroelektrana koristeći električne automobile, potencijal gorivnih ćelija i elektrolizera u energetskim sustavima, kao i ulogu skladištenja energije, skladištenje komprimiranim zrakom i toplinski spremnici. U modelu je moguće koristiti različite regulacijske strategije stavljajući naglasak na toplinu i električnu energiju, uvoz/izvoz kao i na kritični višak proizvodnje energije. Izlaz su energetske bilance, rezultirajuća godišnja proizvodnja, potrošnja goriva te uvoz/izvoz. Program omogućuje uvođenje ograničenja koja

nastaju kao potreba za pomoćnim radnjama koje osiguravaju stabilnost mreže. Dakle, moguće je imati minimum opterećenja postrojenja koja trebaju biti u pogonu cijelo vrijeme ili kao postotak opterećenja koji će se namiriti iz određenog tipa postrojenja, a koja mogu održavati stabilnost napona i frekvencije.

Glavni alati metodologije su algoritam te matematički modeli H₂RES, EnergyPLAN koji se mogu primijeniti na najmanje sustave kao što su kuće i stambene zgrade, otoci ili naselja do većih regionalnih i nacionalnih energetske sustava. U tezi se navode i najnovija saznanja i spoznaje te osnovni tehnički podaci o skladištenju energije te integraciji tih skladišta u lokalne energetske sustave, a što je ujedno i jedan od prioriteta održivog razvoja energetike na europskom nivou.

Unatoč znatnom porastu instalirane snage vjetroelektrana u EU cijena električne energije na određenim tržištima nije porasla već neki autori tvrde upravo suprotno – shodno njihovim proračunima vjetroelektrane su smanjile cijenu električne energije na tržištu. Rathmann je pokazao da je dodatna energija proizvedena iz OIE, poduprta Njemačkom regulativom-EEG, smanjila cijenu električne energije u razdoblju 2005.-2007. za 6,4 €/MWh, dok je naknada za OIE u istom periodu porasla za 3,8 €/MWh. Iz toga autori (de Miera et al.) zaključuju da bi prodajna cijena električne energije bez instaliranih vjetroelektrana bila 2,6 €/MWh viša od stvarne koja je postignuta na tržištu. Zbog istog razloga se smatra da do 2020. neće doći do znatnog porasta cijene električne energije te da će se znatan dio dodatnih troškova proizvodnje i troškova nadogradnje mreže te dodatnih troškova vođenja sustava biti nadoknađen kroz smanjivanje prodajne cijene kao direktne posljedice povećanog iskorištavanja OIE.

Uspješnu primjenu tehnologija za skladištenje energije na tržištu je moguće ostvariti definiranjem tarifnog modela, sličnog onome koji se koristi za OIE, gdje se zajamčenom otkupnom cijenom (FIT – *Feed in Tariff*) investitorima jamči racionalan povrat sredstava u određenom roku. Korištenje istog tarifnog modela pogodovalo bi se i administraciji jer je već upoznata sa svim procedurama te bi ih lako primijenila na sustave za skladištenje energije. Jedini problem kod korištenja FIT za skladištenje energije je kompleksan sustav praćenja podrijetla proizvedene električne energije, a sa svrhom omogućavanja plaćanja samo onog dijela proizvedene energije koji se proizveo uskladištenom energijom iz OIE. U slučaju da PHS za pumpanje i podizanje vode u gornje rezervoare koristi samo električnu energiju s garancijom podrijetla i da turbina radi s nekom određenom vrijednosti faktora opterećenja

(ukupnog nazivnog opterećenja na godišnjoj razini odnosno ekvivalentnoj proizvodnji energije), FIT koji bi bio plaćen za električnu energiju trebao bi omogućiti povrat investicije u prihvatljivom roku uz pokrivanje svih godišnjih troškova vođenja, održavanja te troškove nabave energije traženog podrijetla iz OIE te je predložena formula za njegovo izračunavanje.

U prvom dijelu teze daje se pregled dosadašnjih spoznaja te se iznosi uvodno izlaganje vezano uz skladištenje energije, u drugom poglavlju prikazuje se RenewIslands, ADEG i FAST metodologija. Zatim se ukratko opisuju modeli za energetske planiranje korišteni za analizu energetskih sustava otoka i država. Rezultati analiza prikazuju modeliranje nacionalnog energetskog sustava u H₂RES modelu te energetskog sustava Republike Hrvatske uz pomoć EnergyPLAN modela (osvrst na prikupljene podatke, tehnologija, proračun referentnog scenarija, dobrih i loših strana modela te tehnička i tržišna analiza). Primjenom FAST metodologije dobivene su dodatne informacije o mogućnosti integracije OIE u energetske sustave RH što ukazuje na buduće potrebe za skladištenjem energije.

Posljednja faza istraživanja uključuje detaljan opis uloge skladištenja energije u energetskim sustavima baziranim 100% na OIE te komentiranje rezultata te finalno unapređenje metodologije.

Rezultatima se pokazuje da penetracija iz vjetroelektrana, solarnih elektrana do nekoliko postotak neposredne godišnje potrošnje moguća i to bez većih ulaganja u sustav i tehničkih nadogradnji, za veću penetraciju ipak treba razmišljati o dodatnim mjerama kao što su skladištenje energije, upravljanje potrošnjom, „pametno mjerenje“ te agregirano upravljanje proizvodnjom iz intermitentnih izvora, a što može uključivati i precizno predviđanje njihove proizvodnje.

Satna analiza s jedne strane varijabilne potrošnje te s druge strane intermitentnih, varijabilnih OIE kao što su energija Sunčeva zračenja i vjetar ukazuje na potrebu za adekvatnom kontrolom sustava zbog smanjenja u proizvodnji ovih izvora, uzrokovanom slabljenjem vjetera ili oblačnog vremena. Dok se na razini dugoročnih planiranja ove oscilacije predviđaju i rješavaju postavljanjem ograničenja na satnom nivou, za detaljnije proračune vođenja samih sustava biti će potrebno razmatrati kraće vremenske razmake te prilagoditi odnosno odabrati sustave skladištenja energije koji mogu odgovoriti i na te zahtjeve.

Termoelektrane koje su već izgrađene u elektroenergetskim sustavima, a koje karakterizira tehnički minimum ne moraju biti optimalna dopuna OIE. Uz to, njihova brzina odziva, naročito kada je opterećenje nisko, može biti poprilično spora. FAST metodologija može

pomoći pri sagledavanju već postojećih rješenja za fleksibilnost sustava te dati smjernice za razvoj dodatnih kapaciteta. Skladištenjem energije s danas korištenim sustavima kao što su reverzibilne hidroelektrane, baterije i vodik, rashladni i toplinski spremnici itd. moguće je eliminirati neke od tehničkih barijera koje stoje na putu razvoja potpuno obnovljivih energetske sustava.

Doprinos rada

Istraživanjem su stvorene dodane vrijednosti i proširivanje već stečenih spoznaja o energetske planiranju, optimizaciji planiranja energetske sustava koji uključuju skladištenju energije. Predložena metodologija vodi računa i o regionalnim specifičnostima (lokalne potrebe za energijom i lokalni resursi ovise o području) te je provjerena i na nacionalnom energetske sustavu. Socijalna prihvatljivost pojedinog rješenja ili scenarija provjerena je kroz mogućnost otvaranja radnih mjesta vezanih uz obnovljive izvore energije i skladištenje energije. Intermitentna priroda većine obnovljivih izvora energije predstavlja poteškoće pri usklađivanju dobave i potražnje te izaziva tehničke probleme vezane uz slabe mreže. Skladištenje energije može imati ključnu ulogu u rješavanju ovih problema, te može pridonijeti povećanju penetracija OIE u slabim mrežama, pogotovo u izoliranim zajednicama i na otocima. Uvođenje indeksa nezavisnosti energetske sustava te njegova korelacija s prostornim i vremenskim potrebama za skladištenje energije pokazuje kako skladištenje energije podržava nezavisnost sustava i osigurava sigurnost dobave.

Teza pridonosi razvoju preporuka za integraciju tokova energije, ostalih resursa i skladištenja energije u cilju bolje optimizaciju sustava. Razvijena je i metodologija za planiranje i razvoj Energetskog sustava Republike Hrvatske kao 100% neovisnog sustava sa 100% dobavom energije iz OIE te se daje preporuka za razvoj financijskih mehanizama za potporu sustava skladištenja energije u okvirima EU klimatske energetske politike 20-20-20 te je diskutirano kako direktiva utječe na skladištenje energije, elektrifikaciju transporta te razvoj OIE.

Tezom se pokazuje da je izgradnja elektroenergetskog sustava, koji će dobavu električne energije u potpunosti temeljiti na obnovljivim izvorima s značajnom proizvodnjom iz intermitentnih izvora, kao što su vjetar i sunčevo zračenje, realno i moguće, no da gradnja treba biti pomno planirana kako bi bila primjenjiva u praksi.

Teza ima i svoj doprinos pri uklanjanju tehničkih barijera za postizanje potpuno obnovljivih energetske sustava jer navodi na koji način određena postrojenja i tehnologije mogu doprinijeti maksimizaciji penetracije OIE te koje daljnje korake u istraživanju treba poduzeti

da bi se ostvarili potpuno obnovljivi energetske sustavi. Istraživanja navedena u tezi mogu poslužiti i uklanjanju nekih društvenih barijera uzrokovanih nedostatkom spoznaja o doprinosu OIE i skladištenja energije (smanjenje ovisnosti o uvozu, smanjenje emisija, sigurnost dobave, otvaranje novih radnih mjesta). Pretpostavlja se da bi se kao što je bio slučaj s poticanjem proizvodnje iz obnovljivih izvora energije, predlaganjem financijskih mehanizama za poticanje skladištenja energije te razvojem sustava za garanciju podrijetla preuzete, uskladištene i isporučene energije iz sustava za skladištenje, moglo utjecati na ekonomske, barijere u zakonodavnim i regulatornim okvirima te tržišne barijere koje stoje na putu razvoja novim tehnologijama. Unatoč slabom prihvaćanju novih tehnologija i tehnoloških predrasuda u ostacima monopolno uređene elektroprivrede, potrebno je kontinuirano poticati potražnju za OIE. Stoga treba utjecati na pojavu takvih tržišnih sudionika koji će koristiti OIE ili će tražiti energiju proizvedenu u OIE. Velike reverzibilne hidroelektrane su posebno zanimljive kao nezavisni proizvođači zbog svojih konkurentskih mogućnosti, bez obzira na eventualne tarifne sustave za skladištenje električne energije.

Keywords

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Ključne riječi

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Nomenclature

<u>Roman</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Unit</u>
a	Gross final consumption of energy from renewable sources	TWh
a_e	Coefficient	-
a_s	Stored RES-E	TWh
a_t	Directly taken RES –E to the system	TWh
b	Gross final consumption of energy from all energy sources	TWh
b_{EL}	Gross final electricity consumption	TWh
b_f	Electricity from fossil fuel plants	TWh
b_{FC}	Gross final energy consumption	TWh
b_{HC}	Gross final heating and cooling energy consumption	TWh
b_s	Gross final consumption of electricity covered by storage	TWh
b_t	Gross final consumption of electricity covered by the RES	TWh
b_{TR}	Gross final energy consumption in transport sector	TWh
$d_{Net-Import}$	Trade on the market	MWh
E	Energy demand	kWh
$E_{bat,in}$	Energy used for battery charging	kWh
$E_{bat,out}$	Battery electricity production	kWh
E_{bio}	Biomass electricity production	kWh
E_{el}	Energy used for water electrolysis	kWh
E_{FC}	Fuel cell electricity production	kWh
E_{ff}	Electricity production from the fossil fuel	kWh
E_G	Energy from the grid	kWh
E_{geo}	Geothermal electricity production	kWh
$E_{G,s}$	Electricity export	kWh
E_{H2WGO}	Total delivered electricity to the network by HSS	kWh
$E_{I,pot}$	Intermittent potential electricity production	kWh
$E_{I,t}$	Intermittent renewable electricity taken by the system	kWh
E_{load}	Electricity demand at the certain hour	kWh
E_{NOGO}	Energy taken from the grid without W_{GO}	kWh
E_p	Energy used for water pumping	kWh
$E_{PHSNOGO}$	Electricity produced by PHS without GO	kWh
E_{PHSTGO}	Electricity produced by turbinating extra inflow of water	kWh
E_{PHSWGO}	Total delivered electricity to the network by PHS with W_{GO}	kWh
$E_{PV,pot}$	Solar PV potential energy production	kWh
E_r	Rejected energy	kWh
E_T	Hydro electricity production	kWh
$E_{W,pot}$	Wind potential energy production	kWh
E_{WGO}	Energy taken from the grid with W_{GO}	kWh
$E_{WV,pot}$	Wave potential energy production	kWh
ElI	Energy Independence Index	-
EPC_{WGO}	Price of RES-E used in pumping and electrolysing water	EUR/kWh
Fac_{depend}	Price elasticity	€/MWh/ MW
FIT_{PHSWGO}	Feed-in tariff for PHS units with GO	EUR/kWh
FIT_{YPHS}	Incentive price for the current calendar year	EUR/kWh

FIT_{YPHS-1}	Incentive price from the previous calendar year	EUR/kWh
i	Discount rate	-
i	Number/type of services	-
I_i	Intensity of the energy use	-
IRP_{YPHS-1}	Annual retail price index	-
N	Payback period of the investment	year
N_i	Number of customers	-
M_i	Magnitude of use of service	-
OMC_{H2}	Yearly operation and maintenance costs of HSS	EUR
OMC_{PHS}	Yearly PHS operation and maintenance costs	EUR
P	Energy price	EUR/kWh
P_i	Penetration level	-
p_i	System market price	EUR/MWh
p_o	Basic price level for price elasticity	EUR/MWh
p_x	Market price on the external market	EUR/MWh
PHS_{GO}	Guarantees of origin assigned to PHS electricity	MWh
Q_i	Quantity of energy end-use	-
R	Annuity factor	-
TIC_{H2}	Total cost of investment in HSS	EUR
TIC_{PHS}	Total investment cost in PHS	EUR
TIC_{TPS}	Total investment costs for a hydropower plant	EUR
W_{GO}	Guarantees of origin for wind electricity	MWh
WGO	Index indicating renewable origin of electricity	-
x	Share of RES	-
Y	GDP	EUR

<u>Greek</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Unit</u>
α_e	Elasticity GDP-energy	-
β	Elasticity price-energy	-
φ_I	Intermittent limit	-
η_{H2}	Total efficiency of hydrogen storage system	-
η_{ELY}	Efficiency of electrolyser	-
η_C	Efficiency of the compressor and hydrogen storage	-
η_{FC}	Efficiency of fuel cells	-
η_p	Pumping efficiency	-
η_{PHS}	Total efficiency of PHS	-
η_s	Storage efficiency	-
η_T	Turbine and generator efficiency	-

Abbreviations - Description

CAES - Compressed Air Energy Storage

CEEP - Critical Excesses Electricity Production

CES - Croatian Energy Strategy

CHP - Combined Heat and Power

COP - Coefficient of Performance

CSHP - Industrial Combined Heat and Power

DC - District Cooling

DH - District Heating

DHP - District Heating Plant

EEG - The German Renewable Energy Act

EEX - The European Energy Exchange AG

ENTSO-E - European Network of Transmission System Operators for Electricity

ESCO - Energy Service Company

HEP - Croatian Utility Company

HPP – Hydro Power Plant

HR - Croatia

HSS - Hydrogen Storage Systems

HV- high voltage

JP - Jet Petrol

LPG - Liquefied Petroleum Gas

LULUCF (Land Use, Land – Use Change and Forestry)

NREAP - National Renewable Energy Action Plan

N.gas - Natural Gas

NPP - Nuclear Power Plant

O&M - Operation & Maintenance

PHS - Pumped Hydro Storage

PP - Power Plant (condensing)

RES - Renewable Energy Sources

SI - Slovenia

TSO - Transmission System Operator

V2G - Vehicle-to-grid

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1. INTRODUCTION

1.1. Background

Energy systems and their components are crucial elements that allow normal activities of a modern society. The way how we live today and quality of our lives are based on sufficient and uninterrupted supply of energy. Without continuous improvement and development of technology for each link in the energy chain, it will be impossible to imagine the present world. But what is a more important, without planning of a future development, without detailed mapping of our current and future needs that have to be satisfied by available resources, utilized by previously or currently installed technology, our world could come to the dead-end or point where any further progress can be made. The history has thought us, that once when a civilization reaches a certain level of development and utilizes the most of its available resources, the only growth and future development is possible by technological jump or progress, which will allow more efficient use of available resources or it will expand the borders for utilization of resources. Without progress and use of new technology, there is only one option for civilization and that is to implode, collapse and self-destruct. The proven reserves of fossil fuels, that represents 80% of current primary energy use, will last according BP 46.2 years for oil, 58.6 years for natural gas and 118 years for coal [1]. With a increasing demand they could be exhausted even sooner. Currently the main problem that is related to use of fossil fuels is not in their estimated quantity of reserves (deep drilling, shale gas, methane hydrates, and in general technology development could increase the proven reserves and thus prolong exhaustion) and related prices, but in the environmental impact they cause which is mostly related to the global warming.

The ultimate goals of sustainable development of the modern societies are planning and development of energy systems, thus the most of developed countries focused their energy policies on the development of sustainable energy systems. These systems should provide security of energy supply, they should be competitive and cause minimal impact to the environment.

In a long term, only renewable energy sources supported by the energy storage could fulfil these requirements. Currently, there are many available RES and storage technologies so it is important to optimize their selection and integration in the energy systems. In the certain research groups at AAU, IST and CRES it is known that energy storage technologies form a

central component in every energy efficient system and they are necessary for the increasing use of renewables as well as insuring the security of energy supply. The energy systems of the future must be made as efficient as possible, the people must become aware of the energy, economic and environmental benefit of storage and RES integrated solutions.

The energy storage technologies are necessary to increase the efficiency of energy systems in the future thus it is necessary to analyse the storage behaviour, its sizes and costs not only in current energy systems but also in the lights of development of new future technologies that may have effect not just on the technical components of the system but also on the way how system is operated and managed. This brings another uncertainty in the planning process so the amount of the storage will be the function of the system boundaries that must take into account demand and production side but also their future evolution.

Energy independent systems are those which can independently operate for certain period of time so there is certain optimal capacity of energy storage in 100% independent energy system. In this period, all energy needs are satisfied from own sources directly taken to the system or stored and utilized in the time of shortage of local resources.

To measure Energy Independence of an energy system it is necessary to introduce the Energy Independence Index (EII). Currently there are also laws that prescribe certain energy independency of country. In EU it is necessary to cover 90 days of average fuel supply (Directive 68/414/EEC, amended by Directive 98/93/EC) and under the EU Council Directive 2004/67/EC each Member State must have stored enough volume of natural gas or possibility for its production in order to satisfy total gas demand of the calculated area during a period of 60 days.

Primary energy import dependence of the European Union in 2008 was 53.8%, and it is expected that in the next 20-30 years it will surpass 70%. The situation in Croatia is similar. In 2008 import dependence was 52.3% while for 2030 it is predicted to reach 72%. Such import dependence leads to decreased security of energy supply, due to current geopolitical situation in which main sources of fossil fuels are in unstable regions and in which the competition for those resources from developing countries is growing.

EU energy strategy, and a compatible Croatian strategy, is focused on policies and measures that will bring increase of share of renewable and distributed energy sources and energy efficiency.

The results of previous research [2], [3] and [4] has shown that in order to increase efficiency and viability, there is need for energy storage, in the primary or secondary form, in order to transfer energy surplus form one period to the period when there is a lack. The problem of storage systems is that they add to the cost of already expensive distributed and renewable energy sources, making them, in market circumstances, even less economically viable. Although there are a number of storage technologies, as chemical, potential (hydro) or heat energy, not all those technologies are optimal for each energy system. Several authors [2], [3] and [5] have shown that by integration of energy and resource flows it is possible to decrease the costs, and that by rational energy managing and financial support that takes into account externalities, it is possible to devise such a system to be environmentally, economically and socially acceptable.

Thesis answers the question what is the role of energy storage in a planning of an independent energy system based on 100% RES energy supply. It also shows how under a given circumstances energy storage maximises utilization of RES, provides security of energy supply and minimizes environmental impact of energy systems.

1.2. Research Motivation, Questions and Objectives

1.2.1. Research Questions

Before putting specific questions that are related to the role of energy storage in energy system or in a 100% RES system, the basic question should be elaborated (asked): Is the energy storage indeed crucial for energy systems or it could be avoided?

The nature provided this answer long before any “anthropogenic” energy system was created. The evolution of living creatures shows that the organisms which survive in the environment with variable and sometimes a scarce sources of food, water or any other necessary substances, developed a possibility for storage of these precious resources. This ability allows them to store as much as possible in the time of abundance and then use it later in the time of deficiency, allowing them normal function and survival.

“The assimilation, storage and use of energy from nutrients constitute a homeostatic system that is essential for life. In vertebrates, the ability to store sufficient quantities of energy-dense triglyceride in adipose tissue allows survival during the frequent periods of food deprivation encountered during evolution. However, the presence of excess adipose tissue can be

maladaptive. A complex physiological system has evolved to regulate fuel stores and energy balance at an optimum level.“ [6]

The analogy to the current energy systems can be drawn just figuratively as society and energy systems are not living organisms and they operate and evolve on other principles, by human planning, inventions and technology development which are representing very dynamic and artificial selection, rather than negative or natural selection present in the nature. But still, lessons from the nature sometimes can lead to good solutions applicable in the world of technology and science. As European energy policy and the latest documents include the statements that are identifying the energy system and its constitutive elements as the organs of the living organisms “Europe’s energy infrastructure is the central nervous system of our economy.”, “Energy is the life blood of our society.“ [7] or comparing energy infrastructure with the backbone of an energy systems “the new challenge to 2020 is to provide the backbone for electricity and gas to flow where it is needed“ [8] one more familiar with the functions of organs could conclude that energy storage can act as adipose tissue (or simplified a fat) of energy systems. Especially if energy systems will be 100% based on renewable energy sources which means they will depend on their environment, such as the living species depend on their habitat. Similar to the living organisms, that needs enough but not too much adipose tissue, the most suitable energy system will be the one that operates with the optimal size and capacities of energy storage and that will be managed by “complex physiological system” or translated to the technological words complex ICT system for storage, regulation and balancing the system needs at an optimum level.

Looking at the energy storage as the central component of a 100% RES systems the main question in the thesis is :

What role does energy storage play in planning of a 100% RES system?

sub-questions:

Which parameters should be taken into account when planning a 100% RES system?

Which storage technologies should be considered, their size and location in the energy chain of energy system?

1.2.2. Research Motivation

EU-27 imports: 41.2% of solid fuels, 82.6% of oil and 60.3% of gas [9]. Such dependence on imported hydrocarbons leads to decreased security of energy supply as the import from Russia

surpassed 1/3rd of total imported fossil fuels and approximately 1/3rd of imported gas and oil come from unstable geopolitical regions, meanwhile the competition for those resources from developing countries is progressively growing. With high share of energy import the sovereignty of country or region comes into a question. Thus, EU energy strategy, and a compatible Croatian strategy, is focused on policies and measures that will bring increase of share of renewable and distributed energy sources, increase in energy savings and improvement of energy efficiency. All these measures will increase the security of energy supply and decrease green house gas emissions. Moreover, the latest actions of the EU energy policy makers are focused on promoting and planning of the Post Carbon Society. The four pillars of energy systems of the Post Carbon Society are presented by Carvalho et al. [10] :

- Renewable Energy
- Building as Positive Power Plants
- Energy Storage
- Smart grids and Plug-in Vehicles

This energy system and society will also be the result of strong political, public and economic support for all renewable energy technologies. Political support has been or still is reflected through European Energy Policy and mostly through its directives as Directive 2001/77/EC for support of generation of electricity from renewable energy sources (RES-E), new directive on the promotion of the use of energy from renewable sources 2009/28/EC; RES and Climate change package 20-20-20, new European Energy strategy and Energy infrastructure plan for 2020, Roadmap to 2050 and many other recommendations and reports. While Directive 2001/77/EC has target to meet 12% of electricity production from RES and new RES directive is setting RES target for 2020 on 20% of the gross final energy consumption, the most recent initiatives are already started process to convert EU Energy supply to 100% RES. On 15th April 2010 RE-thinking 2050 Campaign [11] was launched in the European Parliament under the patronage of prof. Maria Da Graça Carvalho. In this campaign the European Renewable Energy Council (EREC) outlines a pathway towards a 100% renewable energy system for the EU as the only sustainable option in economic, environmental and social terms. According their projections, the European Union can switch to a 100% renewable energy supply for electricity, heating and cooling as well as transport, and harvest the positive effects of Europe's energy supply system and reduction of CO₂ emissions. RE-thinking 2050 and similar work and initiatives [12], [13], [14] and [15] will help to create Post Carbon Society for EU. As it is highlighted by Prof. Carvalho: A post carbon society makes

possible to reframe the energy and climate change challenges as opportunities, not just to foster a wealthier society, but also a more equitable and sustainable one.

Various technologies for energy storage are not novel and they have been present on the market for more than a century, what is novel and smart in these technologies is their use for specific purposes and their synergies with new process and energy sources.

Energy storage system could help with integration of the energy flows, the transformations and energy demand at the location of the energy end-use or close to it. The smart energy storage will support all four pillars of the Post Carbon Society and some of this support has been calculated by specific energy planning programs.

Decentralized energy generation (DEG) is becoming a promising solution for supplying the increasing energy demand, especially on islands and remote regions. There are several advantages of DEG: it allows use of diverse renewable energy sources (RES), it allows the heat energy normally wasted in fossil fuel-based electricity production to be captured and used [16]; it is also very suitable for trigeneration and polygeneration with integration of different energy flows (heating, cooling, electricity, transport fuel, etc.) and installation of various energy storages. These advantages, together with possibility of installation of DEG near the place of energy consumption, represent a platform for achieving of the efficient energy use and thus contributing to the sustainable energy development.

Although DEG was present from the beginning of modern energy utilization, cheaper energy generation in centralized units and cheap fossil fuels held back the advanced research in technologies suitable for DEG. The islands and isolated regions were only places where installation of DEG was unavoidable and that is the reason why research in the integration of DEG technologies in island energy systems went the furthest. A sufficient growth of energy supplies to meet human needs [17] is essential for achieving the sustainable energy development. In the isolated regions which do not possess own fossil fuel resources, as it is on most of the islands, the only way to achieve sustainability goals is to generate energy by a growing range of clean and renewable sources; wind power, solar energy (PV and solar thermal collectors), small hydropower plants, biomass and ocean energy. The main problem of these sources, except biomass, is their intermittent nature, so in order to use them effectively and to ensure security of supply, it is essential to integrate energy storage in the energy system.

The objective of research is the improvement of a planning procedure for 100% RES systems by use of the energy storage and analysis of contribution of the energy storage to the maximization of RES integration, security of energy supply and minimization of environmental impact of energy systems. The research work proves the hypothesis that it is feasible to find such energy storage system that will integrate the energy flows, the transformations and energy demand at the location of the energy end-use, generation or distribution and that will be economically, ecologically and socially acceptable, while in addition contributing to the increase of energy efficiency.

1.2.3. Energy system

A function of every energy system is to provide enough energy in place where it is needed and in time when it is needed. Thus energy cannot be treated as other goods or services especially the electricity, as the balance between electricity supply and demand must be kept in short tolerance range in order to provide required frequency and voltage. By integration of energy storage in the systems it is possible “to decouple the production from the consumption” and thus to improve the market conditions and trading.

1.2.4. Energy Storage - Technologies and Application

Electricity Storage - The use of traditional energy storage for increasing RES penetration has been tackled and proposed by many authors. The most widespread energy storage technology in the power systems over the world is a pumped hydro storage (PHS). The use of PHS for integration in the existing water supply system and increasing the wind penetration from 25% to 70% in the electricity supply of the Corvo island is proposed in [18] and a similar case, but which include sea desalination is given in [19]. The use of PHS for increasing wind penetration in the Lesbos island and algorithm for sizing the PHS units are described in [20] and [21]. In both papers authors showed that PHS can have excellent technical and economic performance while doubling the RES penetration. Their proposal for reducing the installation costs considers to use an existing water tank on the island as the lower reservoir of PHS. The similar studies for use of PHS in the several Greek islands are provided in [22] and [23], where PHS is described as the optimum energy storage system for bigger islands. The use of batteries to secure a grid with a high penetration of RES and other distributed energy resources is proposed in [24]. In the same paper authors compared lead–acid batteries for stationary applications with eight other storage technologies. The storage systems are addressed and evaluated on a technical and economical basis and at three different levels of

storage application (production, transmission and end-user level). The main conclusion is that improvements need to be made in energy management and reliability to allow widespread deployments of lead–acid batteries in grid markets. The economic viability of batteries and their impact on power system operation is investigated in [25] and [26] where authors addressed several case studies and proposed the sizing of batteries. They concluded that implementation cost of the battery storage can be justified from voltage enhancement, load capacity release, loss reduction and fuel saving. The evaluation of compressed air energy storage (CAES) plants in future sustainable energy systems with a high share of fluctuating renewable energy is explained in [27]. The authors proved that CAES cannot alone solve the problems of excess electricity production while feasibility of plants is possible if they operate both on the spot market and the regulating power market. Use of emerging technologies as flow batteries and storages connected to new energy carriers has been explained in [25], [28] and [29]. Recently conducted study in the frame of HAWE project at the Faculty of Mechanical Engineering and Naval Architecture – University of Zagreb provides detailed review and comparison of flywheels, compressed air, batteries and ultracapacitors in terms of efficiency, capital costs, energy/power capacity, and reliability [30]. In a similar description of the state of art of storage technologies in the power sector detailed mapping of available technology, maturity stage and application are provided [31]. Some novel principle of use of thermal storage as possible electricity storage in power systems in cases where PHS or CAES are not applicable is detailed explained by authors in [32].

Heat Storage - Thermal storage and heat pumps could be used to store excess of RES production as showed in [3] or effectively combined with smaller scale applications to rise profits as modelled and explained in [33]. More detailed review of thermal storage, in particular thermal storage with the phase change materials and their application is given in [34]. In recent studies and demonstrational project seasonal heat storage on the demand side has been proposed.

Cooling thermal energy storage – CTES Cooling storage could also be used for the integration of renewable energy sources [35] and [36]. In general, CTES systems could be divided in two main types, ones using sensible heat (water) and the others using latent heat (water/ice and eutectic salt hydrates). The selection of the storage type will depend on application and desired temperatures. Review of CTES and its application for air condition has been presented a decade ago by Hasnain in [37]. More recent review has been given by [38] with tabular presentation of the most important characteristics of CTES. The first of the

main types of CTES systems, as mentioned previously is sensible CTES, which stores energy by changing the temperature of a storage medium such as water so predetermined temperature range, quantity of media and its heat capacity usually determine available storage capacity. Second type of CTES is the one using the latent heat. Latent thermal energy storage is most obviously perceived in conversion of water into ice. The principle is used in cooling systems incorporating ice storage. When the storage material melts or vaporizes, it absorbs heat, and when the opposite, crystallization or condensation, occurs, this heat gets released. This change is used for storing heat in phase change materials (PCMs), most typical being water, salt hydrates, and some polymers. Today, glycol ice-storage systems enjoy a great deal of market popularity, because of their simplicity and low installed cost. Various subsets of CTES processes have been investigated and developed for cooling in the buildings, industrial applications, and utility and space power systems.

CTES provides a high degree of flexibility since it can be integrated with a variety of energy technologies, for example, solar collectors, biofuel combustors, heat pumps, and off-peak electricity generators.

Hydrogen Storage - Possibility for using hydrogen as an energy vector in the islands energy supply is not a novel idea. In 1990s the authors in Ref. [39] and Ref. [40] calculated the size of necessary hydrogen equipment for the energy supply of the Island of Lastvo in the Adriatic Sea, the authors also made the optimization of hydrogen storage. Ten years later the authors in [2] presented similar solutions and proposed hydrogen produced by electrolyses as tool for increasing penetration of intermittent sources. The authors also tackled problem of energy storage which is necessary to use in combination with intermittent renewable sources to make their better integration in energy systems and achieve security of supply. Today fuel cells and hydrogen are widely used in the demonstration projects from automotive industry, small mobile applications to the power sector and stand alone power supplies. Even there are wide range of commercial fuel cells and hydrogen production products on the market, the full commercialization and application of hydrogen technology still has not happened and it is expected in the range of 10-20 years. In 2010 there were in total 90 MW of shipments of the fuel cells [31] and if compared to for example PV that had almost the same yearly production in 1996. Since then annual PV production has grown to 24,000 MW in 2010 but with much higher rates than those for the fuel cell technology.

Biomass Storage - In general raw biomass has lower energy density than other fuels e.g. coal, oil, etc. The heating value is in range around 10-20 MJ/kg compared to fossil fuels 25-45 MJ/kg thus power plants or other conversion facilities (biorefinery, pellets factory) need to store huge amounts of biomass on site in order to ensure uninterrupted operation. This will call for the optimization of supply transport and storage processes as biomass could be stored either on the production site, utilization site or the optimal location of the transport logistic centre. The similar problems are faced also by individual users which can tend to store as much as possible in order to avoid price increase during the peak periods. From the planning process there are much issues to solve from sustainable production, transport and utilization that will also call for use of other resources as water, growing land, fertilizers etc. The best characteristic of the biomass as renewable energy source as it can be rather easily stored, and it can act as seasonal storage or reserve. It can be also converted to biofuels and biogas and stored in already built storage infrastructure.

Gas Storage - A widely used technology in the gas grids and the total amount of the storage capacity in Europe was $85,380 \times 10^6 \text{ m}^3$ in August 2011. Storages are located from caverns and cavities in the salt formations to depleted gas fields and aquifers. They are used for various purposes from market arbitrage, to balance system and insuring the security of supply, but also to comply with a various durations of the gas import contracts that require constant imports during whole year so the storage is filled in summer when the consumption is low and discharged during the winter when consumption is at the peak.

Even not directly linked to 100% RES systems, gas storage and gas infrastructure could be filled by biogas or syngas or under specific circumstances even hydrogen.

Storage of liquid fuels - Oil tanks, near refineries and power plants or oil terminals in the ports are the most widespread examples of the storage for liquid fuels. The necessary storage of liquid fuels in Europe and methodology for calculation of it are prescribed by previously mentioned Directive 68/414/EEC, amended by Directive 98/93/EC. The bottom line of directive is that each country needs to store oil for at least 90 days of operation. Similar to the use of the gas storage for storing biogas the storage of liquid fuels could be utilized for biofuels or synthetic fuels.

Alternative Storage Technologies - New developments of energy storage technology are very rapid as there is increased need for storage in integration of renewables, for the greening of transport sector, in mobile applications and stand alone power systems. Synthetic fuels

could become an interesting option as they can use existing infrastructure, especially in the transport sector. Transport sector transition to renewable energy poses significant challenges since it is historically dependent on liquid fuels and it is characterised by a wide variety of modes and needs [41]. Recycling CO₂, using electrolyzers and wind energy, into synthetic fuels provides lower CO₂ emissions, storage option, geographical independence, solves supply related issues of conventional fuels and biofuels while electrolyzers provide an option for regulating the energy system [41].

1.2.5. Basics of Energy System Planning and Modelling

A planning of energy systems and components of the energy chain with centralized energy supply from the macro-economic and top-down approach as well as micro-economic and bottom-up analysis was much simpler than current planning of systems with decentralized and distributed energy supply. In centralized systems the energy/power is flowing from centralized production to decentralized demand, with very rare back (return flows) which is not the case with decentralized and distributed production when it is possible for power to frequently flow in the both directions. Electricity demand is variable so planning and operation of centralized system is ensured through adoption and control of supply side that was made flexible enough to follow variable demand. In new decentralized and distributed systems with RES supply, the supply side becomes also variable and under some circumstances uncontrollable.

Regarding energy planning there are several terms: short term energy planning 5-10 years, medium term 10-20 years, long term planning more than 20 years (20-40) years, etc. From power system point of view: short term planning of the system operation is day ahead, medium week to several weeks and long term, up to a year. In liberalized markets scheduling is mostly made according to the market rules.

The bottom up analysis of energy supply consists of quantitative description of energy conversion, use and related technologies. The bottom up analysis can give better predictions but to collect detailed data on the current status of the demand and technology in the system and to predict the future developments with acceptable uncertainty is very time and resources demanding.

In the bottom up approach demand is predicted by end-use models that are characterized by the equation:

$$E = \sum_{i=1}^n Q_i I_i \quad (1)$$

where E is Demand, Q_i quantity of energy end-use (for some commodity or service), I_i intensity of the energy use for the service i (i=1..n) number/type of services.

$$Q_i = N_i \cdot P_i \cdot M_i \quad (2)$$

Where N_i -number of customers, P_i – penetration level, M_i – magnitude of use of service.

The top down approach is based on the econometric models. The biggest advantage but also disadvantage of this approach is that it is easy to determine in business as usual scenarios from historic development and historical trends but in the same time the factors that are determined by a regression analysis are mostly valid in the range of regression while the further developments are usually unknown and depend on many factors not included in regression e.g. policy development, market saturation rate, consumers behaviour etc. Hopefully if developing country is following similar policy than developed and it has similar climate and other conditions then it can compare own calculated and predicted factors with one calculated for the similar country.

$$E = a_e Y^{\alpha_e} P^{-\beta} \quad (3)$$

Where E-Demand, a_e -coefficient, Y-GDP, α_e -elasticity GDP-energy, β -elasticity price-energy.

elasticity is calculated by formulas 4 and 5:

$$\alpha_e = \frac{\frac{\Delta E}{E}}{\frac{\Delta Y}{Y}} \quad (4)$$

$$\beta = \frac{\frac{\Delta E}{E}}{\frac{\Delta P}{P}} \quad (5)$$

1.2.6. Uncertainties in Forecasting of Demand, Supply, Market Prices and Energy Policy Impacts

There are many uncertainties in the energy planning process. They are mostly related to the assumptions and constraints made in the planning and related to the time span covered by the planning process [42]. The longer planning period is, the bigger is uncertainty. From the supply side the uncertainty has been increased by application of intermittent RES that could be forecasted until a certain level. Uncertainty in forecasting will seek for higher flexibility of the system and reserves. In the case of 100% accurate forecasts, flexibility will just need to cover a net load [43] but this will not be a case. As illustrative example the typical values for wind power forecast in Germany are given in Table 1. Similar to forecast of wind production there were also conducted forecasting of energy production from 12.3 MW of solar PV plant in Spain. The inaccuracy in daily production forecast over the period August 2009 to September 2010 was around 50% on average, the lowest value being 25.4% [43].

There is also big uncertainty in the demand side planning as it is correlated with population increase or decrease, GDP, industry development, policy measures etc. Technology development and learning curves (more explained in the chapter 1.2.8) also bring another level of uncertainty into calculations.

Table 1. Mean errors in wind power forecasts (% of installed wind capacity).

Uncertainty	Part of Germany (≈ 350 km)	All of Germany ($\approx 1\,000$ km)
Day-ahead	6.8%	5.7%
4 hours ahead	4.7%	3.6%
2 hours ahead	3.5%	2.6%

1.2.7. Energy Policy and Energy Planning – A closed loop process

Energy planning and energy policy are two interactive processes. One depends on the other and one is also cause of the other.

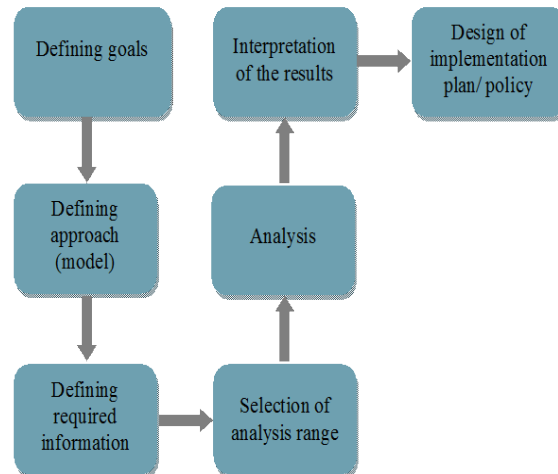


Figure 1. A process of energy planning as described by Zeljko [42].

As it was described by Zeljko in [42] the energy planning should be continuous process where the clear goals should be stated and put in the front of energy planners. The planers then must define and calculate several alternatives, define all details and prepare them for presentation to policy and decision makers. The results of analysis should be constantly updated with new data so planners will be able to show what is the most realistic and sometimes optimal solution, that is calculated under certain constraints and assumptions. In the light of EU policy, one of the goals that was put in the front of energy planners were mandatory targets for the share of renewable energy sources in the gross final energy consumption. The planners then evaluated several scenarios and as final plan or policy, together with a policy makers proposed NREAPs to the Commission (delivering of NREAP was mandatory for each member state). As the goals and NREAPs are now proposed and know, all stakeholders can track their fulfilment while the energy planners will according to developments on the ground and developments of new technologies and price changes, constantly update the models and will propose new alternatives to the interested parties or they will show what opportunities or threats lay behind certain solutions/decisions. In the light of the thesis defined goal of energy planning was achievement of 100% RES system, used models are H₂RES and EnergyPLAN while required information came from the application of Renewislands/ADEG, FAST and RESTEP methodologies. The range and data varied from the case to case while the most interesting results are interpreted and they are

included some policy proposals in the form of feed-in tariffs for support of energy storage technologies.

1.2.8. 100% RES systems - Past, Present and Future of RES Technologies

There are many agencies (IEA, Danish Energy Agency, Austrian Energy Agency), research centres and institutes (JRC, RISO, EIHP etc.), institutes, government, non-government and industrial organizations that are analysing and describing the historical development, current status and future progress of technologies for utilization of renewable energy sources. The Joint Research Centre of European Union is constantly publishing the review of low carbon energy conversion technologies so called Technology Map [31] which is also reference document of the SET-Plan and SETIS technology calculator.

The development of RES technologies could be explained with a learning curves which say what is or will be the cost reduction of certain technology when its market capacity is doubled. So it could be concluded that the learning effect is measured in terms of reduction in the unit cost (or price) of a product as a function of experience gained from an increase in its cumulative capacity or output. The average PV price in the period 2009-2010 fell from 4.5 to 3.5 EUR/W while installed production capacity almost doubled, annual production growth from 12 to 25 GW of yearly capacity. In this case learning rate based on production capacity (not cumulative installed capacity) is higher than 22% which is in line with other energy technologies that have learning rates between 20-35%. The solar PV is also becoming more efficient which will certainly reduce costs of material and with high level of automation process learning rates could be increased. In the period 2000-2011 the most installed new generation capacity was in the gas power plants 116 GW and after it the wind power plants had the most progressive growth of installed capacity with 84 GW and solar PV with 47 GW [44].

1.2.9. Intermittent RES and Energy System Planning and Security of Supply

Before planning and achieving of the 100% RES systems there are two other characteristic phases of introduction of RES technologies in that system (as explained by Lund [45]). The introduction phase, where no or small amount of RES is introduced to the system. In this phase there is no need for changing the system planning and behaviour as any type of RES can be easily integrated into system. In the second phase a large scale integration is envisaged where detailed planning must be connected as intermittent RES will influence the system operation. The last phase is achieving 100% RES systems which includes very detailed

planning and modelling of necessary capacities, uncertainty levels and needs for integration of old technology with new one.

1.2.10. Planning of 100% RES system (from an island to the entire continents)

Due to small size of their energy systems, the islands were the first places where it was possible to go through all phases of development of 100% RES systems. Technical and economical planning of small systems was not so demanding. Also it was possible to show the effectiveness of energy storage options when transforming the fossil fuels based systems (usually diesel blocks that have certain amount of flexibility) to systems based on hydrogen. Currently there are several islands that managed to reach 100% RES electricity supply and large share of RES in heat supply as the islands Samsoe and Aro in Denmark. Today there are many studies that analysed how is able for countries, regions, and the entire world, to meet 80–100% of end-use energy demand from renewable energy by 2050 or even sooner. National scenarios exist for Australia [46], Denmark [12], Germany [47], Ireland [48], Japan [49], New Zealand [50], Portugal [15], the United Kingdom [51] and several regional studies, for northern Europe [52], south east Europe [53], entire Europe [11] and there are also studies that analysed entire world [54], [55], [56] and [57].

1.3. Novelty and Significance of the Research

The novelty of research is in a holistic approach to planning of a 100% renewable energy systems with particular emphasis of integrated energy storage.

Introduction of an energy independence index and its correlation with time and space needs for energy storage. Recommendations on the integration of energy, other resources flows and energy storage for better system optimization. Development of methodology for planning and analysis of the energy system of the Republic of Croatia as a 100% independent system with a 100% RES supply. Development of the financial mechanisms for energy storage in the framework of the EU climate energy policy 20-20-20.

1.4. Hypothesis

It is feasible to find such an energy storage system that will integrate the energy flows, the transformations and energy demand at the location of the energy end-use, or close to it, that will be economically, environmentally and socially acceptable, while in addition contributing to the increase of energy efficiency.

To enhance the security of energy supply, the efficiency and safety of the grid energy system in the conditions of increased distributed and renewable energy sources (RES) penetration, it is necessary to enhance the energy storage capacities on the side of the power plants, transmission and distribution networks as well as on the end-use side.

It is necessary to define a methodology for optimising the energy storage system; based on mapping the local needs for the electricity, the heating and cooling energy, the transport fuels and similar, the local renewable resources, the cogeneration and polygeneration potentials, and the possible energy storage scenarios such as the pumped storage hydro, batteries, hydrogen, CAES, etc. Proposed methodology will, apart from addressing the technically optimal solution and taking their efficiency into account, integrate the solutions for reducing the emissions to environment, enhance the employment, the public support, and involve the local communities. The methodology can play a significant role in the island development and the sustainable tourism development, considering that the local energy systems are a huge burden for the environment. Besides, the methodology can contribute to the sustainable development of cities, where the consumption density enables the greatest advancement regarding the rational and efficient energy utilisation, and significantly contributing to the energy supply level.

1.5. Methodology and Models

The methodology for energy storage and the energy flows integration is based on the research results of the European Commission Framework Programme projects ADEG: Advanced decentralized energy generation in Western Balkans (FP-6) and RenewIslands: Renewable energy solutions for islands, Target action A (FP-5). The ADEG project was focused on the decentralised systems for the heat and electricity production, while the RenewIslands project aimed to manage the increased problem of RES penetration into the islands' energy systems by hydrogen having a role of the energy vector. The results of the above mentioned projects have shown the necessity for research and optimisation in the energy storage system, followed by the energy flow integration, in order to support the sustainability of local energy system and the overall sustainability. Besides the testing of the methodology a detailed energy system analysis is performed on the two energy planning tools (mathematical models) H₂RES [2], [5] [18], [28] and [58] and EnergyPLAN [3], [13], [59], [60] and [61] together with the analysis of the relation between energy storage and recently published FAST methodology [43]. The H₂RES model is designed as support for Renewislands methodology [18] and it is primarily

used for balancing between hourly time series of water, electricity, heat and hydrogen demand, appropriate storages and supply from wind, solar, geothermal, biomass, wave, and hydro or fossil fuel resources. The wind module uses the hourly wind velocity data mostly obtained from the nearest meteorological station at 10 metres height, adjusts them to the wind turbines hub level and, for a given choice of wind turbines, converts the velocities into the output. Similar other modules use the meteorological data to get hourly production output from selected technologies. More detailed description of the model is given in the Chapter 2.2 and in the papers [2], [5], [18], [28] and [58]. The H₂RES model is adopted for the case of Portugal by a wave module. The EnergyPLAN model is an input/output model that performs annual analyses in steps of one hour. Inputs are demands and capacities of the technologies included as well as demand distributions, and fluctuating renewable energy distributions. A number of technologies can be included enabling the reconstruction of all elements of an energy system and allowing the analyses of integration technologies. The model is specialised in making scenarios with large amount of fluctuating renewable energy and analysing CHP systems with large interaction between the heat and electricity supply. EnergyPLAN was used to simulate a 100% renewable energy-system for the island of Mljet in Croatia and the entire country of Denmark [12]. It was also used in various studies to investigate the large-scale integration of wind energy [3], optimal combinations of renewable energy sources, management of surplus electricity, the integration of wind power using electric vehicles, the potential of fuel cells and electrolyzers in future energy-systems [62] and the effect of energy storage, compressed-air energy storage and thermal energy storage. The model is possible to use different regulation strategies, putting emphasis on heat and power supply, import/export, and excess electricity production and using the different components included in the energy system analysed. Outputs are energy balances, resulting annual productions, fuel consumption, and import/exports. It provides the possibility of including restrictions caused by the delivery of ancillary services to secure the grid stability. Hence, it is possible to have a minimum capacity running during all hours and/or a percentage running from a certain type of plants required to secure voltage and frequency in the electricity supply. The main tools of the methodology are the mathematical models H₂RES and EnergyPLAN, that are applied in analysis from the smallest systems such as houses and residential buildings to the bigger systems such as islands or countries. Moreover, the most recent findings and technical data are collected in the fields of energy storage and integration of the storage in local energy

systems, which is one of the priorities of sustainable development of energy systems on the European level.

1.6. Data and Constraints

A publicly available data were used for the most of case studies in order to allow replication of methodology to the other regions, countries and case studies. Another important issue that was related to use of publicly available data is to avoid any publication of the data that could harm companies such as HEP, REN etc. and cause financial losses due to their publication or publication of results coming from these data that can influence the market.

ENTSO-E - The European Network of Transmission System Operators for Electricity represents 41 transmission system operators (TSOs) from 34 European countries. ENTSO-E publishes the most statistical data relevant to the power system operation as well as production, consumption and exchange of electricity between power systems, net generating capacities and hourly loads. The statistical errors are not published with the data but anyone interested could calculate it from the range of the historical data provided.

REN - is Portuguese utility company acting as transmission system operator for electricity and gas networks as well as LNG terminals. The most of that data for the case study of Portugal were obtained from REN's webpage and their publications.

HEP - is Croatian utility company in charge for transmission, distribution and production of electricity and production and distribution of heat to district heating systems. Data from their official publications and web pages were used for Croatian case study.

MINGORP - Croatian ministry of economy, labour and entrepreneurship publishes detail yearly energy statistics [63] and [64]. It is also in charge for the registry of RES projects in Croatia. Data from both sources have been used in Croatian case study.

METEONORM - is commercial software that provides wide range of meteorological data taken from the large number of the locations in the world. Available data includes wind speeds, temperatures solar radiation etc. The Meteonorm has possibility to interpolate hourly data between measured locations according own developed methodology.

PV-GIS - is on line application developed by JRC and it provides a vast of GIS services related to solar irradiation, production of PV plants, optimal angles etc. [65]. PV-GIS was mainly used to adopt global solar irradiation from horizontal surface to inclined surface for the purpose of calculations in H₂RES model.

DHMZ - Meteorological and hydrological institute of Croatia is the main institution for meteorology and hydrology in Croatia. Data provided have been adopted and used for the calculation of the case studies of the Croatian islands (Mljet, Losinj and Unije).

More accurate wind measurements for Croatian region of Dalmatia were acquired from the site measurements at ten locations. AWSERCRO-Assessment of Wind and Solar Energy Resources in Croatian Pilot Region was a project financed by the European Commission as part of its technical assistance under the CARDS program. Major component of this project was a measurement campaign and acquisition of the wind and solar data. On-site wind measurements were taken from June 2007 until March 2009 by the Energy Institute Hrvoje Požar. The measurement locations are on well exposed and remote sites located along the region of Southern Dalmatia to achieve a high spatial density of measured data [66].

1.7. Results

The presented results include findings related to energy planning of 100% RES systems for islands and two national energy systems. They also include necessary changes in methodologies for energy planning in order to have better view for storage possibilities. The difference of methodology application between islands and country has been solved by introduction of new levels for qualitative mapping. By simple procedure Croatian energy and other needs are mapped, resources have been identified and more accurate wind energy production has been calculated. It resulted in a planning of Croatian energy system with several types of energy storages for the year 2020, period 2030-2050 and finally for a 100% RES system in 2050. The results show that Croatia may have problems in reaching the RES targets for 2020 if the final energy consumption will be equal to one assumed in the calculations. Islands case studies have been additionally evaluated for social acceptance through possibility of creating new jobs in energy sector. Energy independence index has been proposed as a measure of the sustainability of certain plan that includes storage technologies.

Influence of feed in tariffs for storage technologies in the lights of EU Directive 2009/28/EC have been investigate as well as impact of the Directive to development of pumped storage hydro capacities and achievements of the Croatian goals set by EU climate and energy package 20-20-20.

1.8. Structure of the Thesis

A main purpose of proposed research was to create the added value and to expand already acquired knowledge in energy planning, optimization and energy storage fields so development of new knowledge that will enhance the development of planning of smart energy networks and integration of the energy flows. The developed methodology is taking into account regional approach (the local energy needs and the local resources differ according to the area) and it is tested on the national energy system. Social acceptance of given solution or scenario is tested through its ability to create new jobs related to the RES and energy storage. The first part includes elaboration of the methodology that is based on the verified steps of Renewislands, ADEG and FAST methodologies. The next phase includes the analysis of national energy system by H₂RES model and is followed by the analysis of Croatian energy system in EnergyPLAN model. Analysis includes: data collection, technologies, calculation of referent scenario, selection good and weak points of the model and technical and market analysis. New information regarding integration of RES into energy system of the Republic of Croatia are obtained by application of the FAST methodology and by more detailed calculation of hourly production of wind power plants. This also leads to easier planning of future needs for energy storage. The last phase includes detailed description of the role of energy storage in the energy systems based on 100% RES supply and the influence of current EU legislation on energy storage and on the proposal for alternative financial mechanism for storage technologies. It also includes description of results, final improving of the methodology and conclusions.

2. METHODOLOGY

2.1. Renewislands/ADEG Methodology

RenewIslands methodology [18] was developed in order to enable assessment of technical feasibility of various options for integrated energy and resource planning of the islands. The proposed methodology is presented in the Annex A. The Renewislands methodology consists of four basic steps that were further expanded to form ADEG methodology [58].

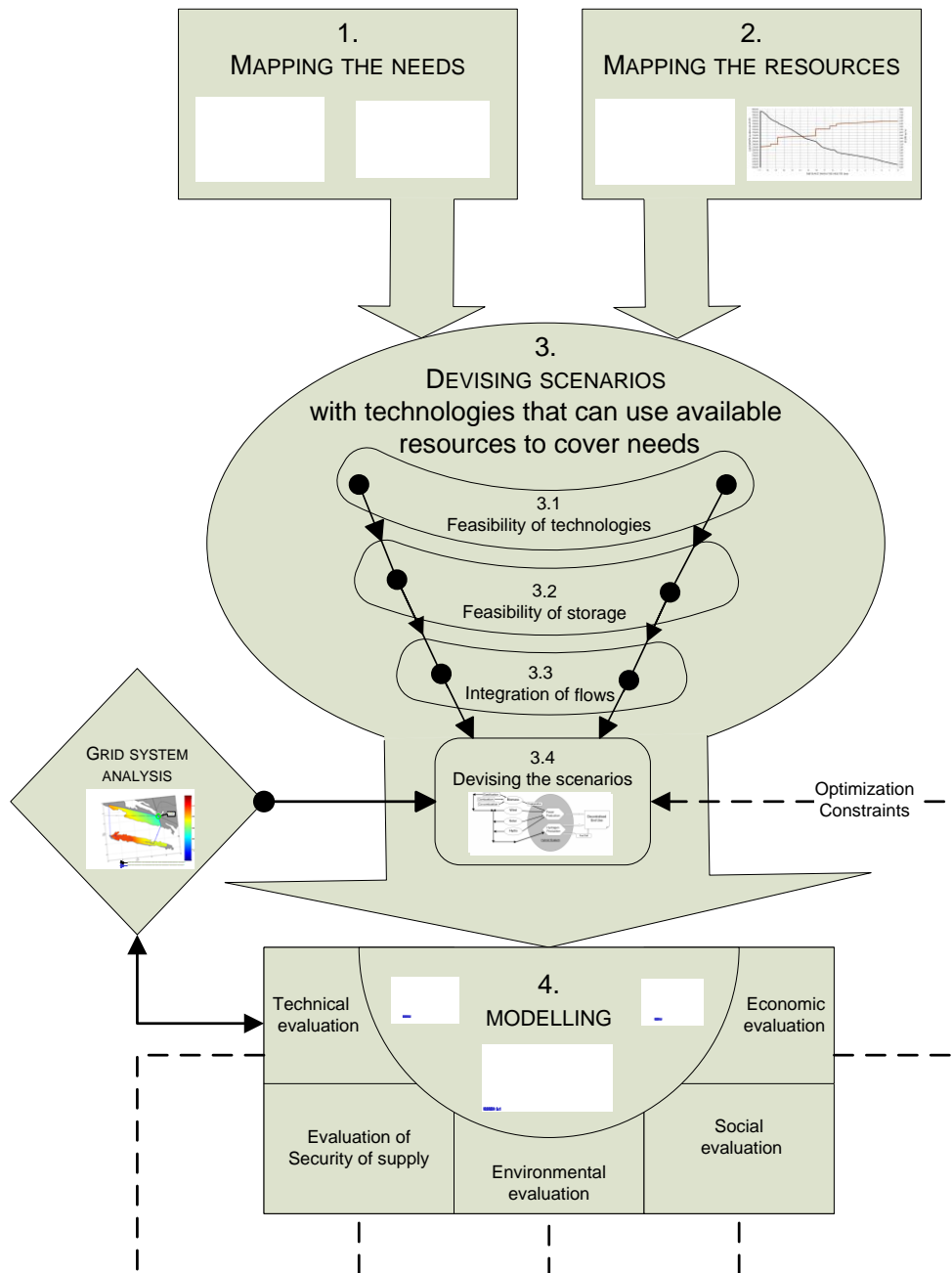


Figure 1. ADEG methodology flow diagram.

For basic steps of Renewislands/ADEG Methodology are:

1. Mapping the needs
2. Mapping the resources
3. Devising scenarios with technologies that can use available resources to cover needs
4. Modelling the scenarios and their evaluation

The needs are commodities that the local community demands, not only energy (electricity, heat, cold, fuel for transport, etc.), but also all other types of commodities (or utilities in the old command jargon), like water, waste treatment, wastewater treatment, etc., that are depending on energy supply [18].

The resources are locally available ones, like wind, sun, geothermal energy, ocean energy, hydro potential, water resources, but also imported ones like grid electricity, piped or shipped natural gas, oil derivatives or oil, water shipped, the potential to dump waste and wastewater, etc.

The technologies can be commercial energy conversion technologies, like thermal, hydro and wind electricity generation or solar thermal water heating, commercial water, waste and wastewater treatment technologies including desalination, or emerging technologies, like geothermal energy usage, solar electricity conversion systems, or technologies in development, like fuel cells, wave energy, etc.

The scenarios should try to satisfy one or several needs, by using available resources, and satisfying present criteria. Due to global warming and falling reserves, and sometimes security of supply problems, fossil fuels should generally be used as the option of last resort in setting scenarios, even though they will often provide the most economically viable solution with the current price levels, and advantage should be given to locally available renewable resources.

Difference between two methodologies Renewislands and ADEG could be found in the third step where different optimization constraints have been added and in the fourth step which have been expanded by a different evaluation of scenarios.

Since complicated strongly coupled flows depend on timing of resources, demands, etc, the only practical way to check the viability of the scenarios is to model them in detail. After the technical viability of scenarios is thus checked, and many of the potential ones are dropped

due to not being acceptable or viable, the economic viability should be checked, even when it is clearly a demonstration activity [18]. The scenarios have to be evaluated after the modelling but to get some specific results which depends on local particularities and to save modelling time some technical, economic, security of supply, social and environmental parameters could also be included in the process of development of scenarios so these parameters could be made as optimization constraints which will be used in modelling. If no changes in the power system are predicted according the results of grid analysis as constraints could directly lead to exclusion of some scenarios or DEG configuration which are not technically feasible.

The economic evaluation will show which scenarios are the most attractive and which one are not economically feasible, the environmental study can show environmental benefits such as reduction of CO₂ emissions, land use.

2.1.1. RESTEP (Renewable Energy and Storage Technology Energy Planning) methodology

Renewislands/ADEG methodology has been designed for the assessment of smaller systems as islands or systems with the units for decentralized energy generation. In order to wider its application to bigger systems that can include countries, or several different regions, islands etc. and to allow better overview of integration of flows and storage technologies new modifications are proposed in RESTEP methodology.

In the first place three levels are introduced for assessed areas Global (G), Regional (R) and Local (L). The levels could represent geographical size, administrative or statistical areas but in general they will depend on the planning purpose and goals. If it is possible choosing of the area size should be adopted to available and known data in order to simplify the modelling procedure in the step 3. The second novelty is proposed diversification of typical human use of space mostly related to the regional and local levels. Highlighted are three characteristic areas Urban (U), Suburban (SU) and Rural (RU) that will have specific concentration of different needs and resources which could be effectively integrated and coupled by different types of related storages.

Urban areas can be characterized as the city blocks with different purposes, e.g. apartments for living, different services, commercial, educational, health etc. they could include some form of industry if urbanization was organized around industrial complex or if it has moved towards it by typical process of expansion of urban parts. The urban areas are characterized

by large number of people consternated at some space in certain time so all their needs as transport, electricity, heat, cold, water, waste and wastewater collection and treatment will be reflected trough concentration of population.

Suburban areas include typically suburbs made for living purposes e.g. family houses, smaller buildings, buildings for different services, small and large industrial complexes as well as some agricultural or other similar land uses at their edges. The concentration of needs in suburban parts will not be so high as in urban areas but will be still concentrated enough to allow integration of flows especially in the case of energy intensive industry.

Rural areas will be characterised with isolated settlements as villages, industrial and agricultural complexes, concentration of some need will depend on the purpose of objects or activities.

The assessment of flexibility has been introduced as an indicator of possible repercussion of some need, resource, conversion and storage technology on their integration in the system. As explained by the FAST method chapter 2.4, the flexibility in the power system is necessary due to variability on the demand side and variability on the supply side required by introduction of intermittent sources and uncertainties in their forecasts. So increased use of intermittent source will have negative impact on the system integration as it will require more flexibility while introduction of some stable and controllable source as hydro or biomass could have positive impact on the system and its flexibility. Even not so strict as in power system, flexibility is required in district heating and cooling systems as well as in the gas supply and water system. In all of these systems demand and supply need to be balanced. Storage in the power system increases available flexibility and similar in all other systems storage have positive impact on flexibility. Due to cycle losses, use of storage in the same system or energy carrier eventually leads to decreased efficiency as it is not possible to return all energy stored on the other hand if the storage is combined with the integration of different energy flows or other resources flows it can increase overall system flexibility and efficiency and reduce the size of required installed components.

Thus it is important to identify all possible sources and needs of flexibility during the mapping procedure of community needs and available resources and what is even more important is to assess the flexibility during the selection of conversion and storage technologies and feasibility of integration of flows.

RESTEP (Renewable Energy and Storage Technology Energy Planning) methodology:

1. Mapping the needs (Global level/ Regional level/ Local level) (Urban/Suburban/Rural) flexibility +/-

2. Mapping the resources (Global level/ Regional level / Local level) flexibility +/-

3. Devising Scenarios Local (flexibility +/-) → Regional (flexibility +/-) → Global (flexibility +/-)

- feasibility of technology, Urban/Suburban/Rural, control system flexibility +/-
- feasibility of storage, Urban/Suburban/Rural, control system flexibility +/-
- feasibility of integration of flows, Urban/Suburban/Rural, impact on system flexibility +/-

4. Modelling and Evaluation of the Scenarios

- Technical evaluation a) grid study, storage deployment
b) flexibility needs/resources
- Energy Independence Index (Global, Regional, Local) – Security of supply
- Economic evaluation
- Evaluation of social impact (jobs created, surveys and public debates)
- Environmental evaluation

2.2. H₂RES model

The part of the work presented in this subchapter has already been published in the papers [58], [28]. Several other papers are describing H₂RES model with details of its operation [2] and [4].

The main characteristic of H₂RES model is that it uses basic technical data of equipment, hourly meteorological data for intermittent sources and according to description in [2] energy balancing is regulated by equations. The main load module of H₂RES model, based on a given hourly wind limit, accounts for the renewable electricity taken by the grid, and the excess is available for storage, desalination or some other kind of dump load.

The H₂RES model is designed for balancing between hourly time series of water, electricity, heat and hydrogen demand, appropriate storages (hydrogen, reversible hydro, batteries) and supply (wind, solar, waves, hydro, geothermal, biomass, fossil fuels or mainland grid). The model has been designed as support for simulation of different scenarios devised by

RENEWISLANDS methodology [18] with specific purpose to increase integration of renewable sources and hydrogen into island energy systems. The main purpose of the model is energy planning of islands and isolated regions which operate as stand-alone systems, but it can also serve as a planning tool for single wind, hydro or solar power producers connected to bigger power systems.

Wind velocity, solar radiation and precipitation data obtained from the nearest meteorological station are used in the H₂RES model. The wind module uses the wind velocity data at 10 metres height, adjusts them to the wind turbines hub level and, for a given choice of wind turbines, converts the velocities into the output.

The solar module converts the total radiation on the horizontal surface into the inclined surface, and then into the output.

The hydro module takes into account precipitation data, typically from the nearest meteorological station, and water collection area and evaporation data based on the reservoir free surface to predict the water net inflow into the reservoir.

The biomass module takes into account the feedstock information, the desired mix of feedstocks, conversion processes (combustion, gasification and digestion) and desired output production (power, heat or combined heat and power). Biomass module is set to follow the heat load and it generates electricity as by-product. This module has ability to calculate the minimum and maximum potential energy output in order to make optimization of production according to unwanted shutdowns. The minimum is a factor between the installed capacity and the minimum load factor. This assures that the unit never goes below minimum design. If the available energy is below this, it shuts off. The maximum also depends on the available energy but it is reduced based on the guaranteed production days. It foresees that the available energy of the same hour is enough to guaranty production for the desired amount of days. If there is not enough available, the maximum is reduced to meet these requirements. This is to lessen the frequency of shutdowns. It is programmed not to go below the minimum but does not foresee deliveries; it considered only what is in storage at that time. This is a major factor when dealing with isolated systems which cannot afford to run out fuel constantly and hence why it is highlighted here.

The geothermal module functions in continuous, where the installed power generates electricity for the system continuously, except when it is in maintenance. The system primarily uses the electricity produced from geothermal source in detriment of the other

power sources, because this is a safe source, not intermittent. The H₂RES allows managing the amount of electricity produced from geothermal that enters in the grid and satisfying electricity demand and the one that goes for storage, this becomes very useful when intending to use the geothermal potential for hydrogen production for transports.

The wave module consist of wave data file where hourly distribution of significant wave heights and wave power periods are located, the power matrix of wave energy converters and wave output sheets. In the input module number of wave convertors units is set for the certain location and by use of bipolar interpolation in the wave power matrix, H₂RES calculates potential wave electricity production.

The desalination module uses the electricity produced from excess wind to supply the desalination units, that produce drinkable water and put it on the lower reservoir, this reservoir is then used to supply the population. This module takes into account the total capacity of these units (m³ of water produced per hour) and their electricity consumption per unit of water produced. At each hour, the desalination module verifies if the lower reservoir has at least 1 day of water demand, if it does not, and if the user allows this option the desalination units are supplied with electricity from the fossil fuel blocks [67].

The load module, based on a given criteria for the maximum acceptable renewable electricity in the power system, integrates a part or all of the available renewables output into the system and discards the rest of the renewable output. The excess of renewable electricity is then stored either as hydrogen, pumped water or electricity in batteries, or for some non-time critical use. The energy that is stored can be retrieved later and supplied to the system as electricity or hydrogen for transport purpose. If there is still unsatisfied electricity load it is covered by fossil fuels blocks or by the mainland grid where such connection exists. The model can also optimise the supply of water and hydrogen demand.

The order of sources in supplying of demand could be easily set up according to criteria. In the most cases, first the system will take geothermal energy, then biomass that operates in CHP mode and then the rest of renewables. Currently model does not support the automatic optimization according to minimal or marginal cost of electricity or according to minimal environmental pollution thus scenarios must be evaluated afterwards.

The wind module of the H₂RES system is designed for accepting up to four types of wind turbines which may be located in two different wind parks. The conversion from wind velocities to electrical output is done using wind turbine characteristics obtained from the

producer. The solar module can use either data for solar radiation on a horizontal surface which then has to be adjusted for the inclination of PV array or it can use directly radiation on a tilted surface. The adjustment of solar radiation to the inclination angle is done by monthly conversion factors which are calculated by the RETScreen or the PV-GIS programme. Efficiency data for PV modules and other components (inverter, line losses, etc.) can be obtained from the producer and they serve for calculation of the hourly PV output. The hourly precipitation data of the hydro module can either be obtained from the nearest meteorological station, or can be estimated by using daily, weekly or monthly averages. Generally, the necessary resolution of the precipitation data should be depending on the storage size. Similarly, the evaporation per unit free surface of the reservoir should be estimated. The difference will then produce net water inflow into the storage system [2]. The load module of the H₂RES model, based on a given hourly renewable and intermittent limit, accounts for the renewable electricity taken by the grid, and the excess is available for storage, desalination or some other kind of dump load. The excess electricity can be exported if the island has a connection with the mainland grid. The storage module can either be based on an electrolysing unit, a hydrogen storage unit, and a fuel cell, or a hydro pumping storage, a reversible fuel cell or batteries. The input into the storage system is limited by the chosen power of the electrolyser, the pumps or the charging capacity of the batteries, so the renewable excess power which is superfluous to the storing facility or cannot be taken to the storage system because the storage is full has to be dumped or rejected [2]. On islands, there is often also a need for the desalination of seawater, which might be a good destination of dumped load, water pumps, or refrigeration units.

The basic version of H₂RES 2.0 has been constantly upgraded, by a grid module (version 2.1) which in the case of the Island of Mljet enabled import and export of electricity, fossil fuel module (version 2.2) which allowed use of 6 different types of fossil fuel blocks in the case of Malta and geothermal module (version 2.3) which has been used for the Terceira island case study, biomass module (version 2.4), heat load (version 2.5) and heat storage (version 2.6) used in the case studies of the Island Losinj and the Island Unije, wave module (version 2.7) and desalination module (version 2.8). All modules have been tested on various case studies but mostly on the islands.

The intermittent renewable electricity taken by the system in each hour, $E_{I,t}$, is defined by the intermittent limit φ_I , and the intermittent potential, $E_{I,pot}$:

$$E_{I,t} = \text{MIN}(\varphi_I E_{load}, E_{I,pot}) \quad (6)$$

where intermittent potential is a sum of wind, solar PV and wave potentials:

$$E_{I,pot} = E_{W,pot} + E_{PV,pot} + E_{WV,pot} \quad (7)$$

The main equation for energy demand end balancing at the certain hour is:

$$E_{load} = E_{I,t} + E_{geo} + E_{bio} + E_T + E_{FC} + E_{bat,out} - E_P - E_{el} - E_{bat,in} + E_G + E_{ff} \quad (8)$$

where E_{geo} represents geothermal energy, E_{bio} biomass energy, E_T , E_{FC} and $E_{bat,out}$ hydro energy, fuel cell and battery energy. E_P , E_{el} , $E_{bat,in}$ energy used for pumping of water into higher reservoirs, water electrolysis and battery charging. E_G energy from the grid (mainland or neighbouring power systems). E_{ff} energy from the fossil fuel blocks. $E_{I,t}$ is the intermittent renewable electricity taken by the system.

The total intermittent $E_{I,pot}$, potential will be either taken by the system or used for deferrable load, in pumps, by electrolyser or stored in batteries, sent to the grid if there is possibility for export $E_{G,s}$ and the rest will be rejected E_r :

$$E_{I,pot} = E_{I,t} + E_{D,load} + E_P + E_{el} + E_{bat,in} + E_{G,s} + E_r \quad (9)$$

2.3. EnergyPLAN methodology

The EnergyPLAN methodology has been used to analyse national or regional energy planning strategies through assessment of technical and economical parameters for implementation of different energy systems, related investment and other costs. The basic tool of the methodology is the EnergyPLAN model. It is a mathematical model programmed in Delphi Pascal with very user-friendly interface organized in the series of tab sheets. The model has been developed and constantly updated by Prof. Henrik Lund since 1999. The description of model and its comparison to other models has been given in [59], [61], [4].

The basic characteristics of the EnergyPLAN model are: it is an input/output deterministic energy system analysis model. It analyses system for one year on hourly level which means that hourly distribution curves for different demands and production should be provided. Moreover, it works with aggregated values of the system description opposed to the models

which describes each single component. The model optimizes the operation of the system and not directly investments in the systems which could be assessed later by analyzing different options or scenarios. The model is based on analytic programming to increase speed of calculations.

The EnergyPLAN is used for analysis of scenarios with large amounts of intermittent renewable energy production and for analysing CHP systems with large interaction between heat and electricity supply. EnergyPLAN was used to simulate a 100% renewable energy-system for the island of Mljet in Croatia [4] and the entire country of Denmark [12]. It was also used in various studies to investigate large-scale integration of wind energy in power systems [3], optimal combinations of renewable energy sources [68], management of surplus electricity [61], the integration of wind power using electric vehicles (EVs) [60], the investigation of fuel cells' and electrolyzers' potential in future energy-systems [62], the effect of energy storage [36] and compressed-air energy storage [27].

The EnergyPLAN identifies CEEP as the export which exceeds the transmission line capacity. This production can damage system and electricity supply so it is not allowed in real system operation. However, it is calculated in order to see the system behaviour under different operational and optimization conditions. Also, EnergyPLAN can use different regulation/policy strategies, putting emphasis on heat and power supply, import/export of electricity, excess electricity production and use of different components in the analysed energy system. Outputs include energy balances, annual productions, fuel consumptions, and import/exports.

Four step approach to energy system analysis in the EnergyPLAN model [45]:

Step 1: Defining reference energy demands

Step 2: Defining a reference energy supply system

Step 3: Defining the regulation of the energy supply system

Step 4: Defining alternatives

2.4. FAST methodology (IEA Approach to Harness Variable Renewables)

The FAST methodology has been developed by the IEA in order to assess integration of variable renewable into power systems of several countries and power market areas [43]. The methodology is similar to Renewislands/ADEG methodology as in the first two steps it has identification or mapping of flexible resources, in the third step it try to identify needs for a flexibility. Finally in the last step it compares the needs for the flexibility with the flexible resources and it proposes optimization/development of additional flexible resources.

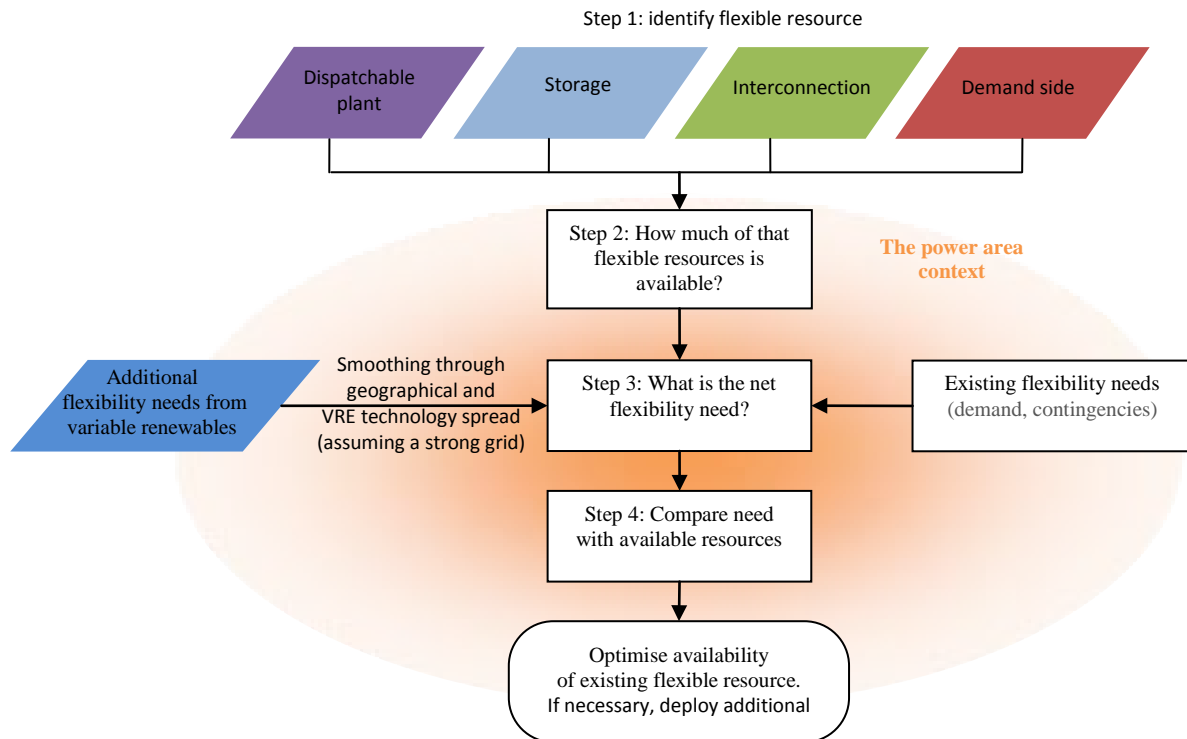


Figure 2. Flow chart of FAST Methodology [43].

As explained and discussed in [43] the four basic steps of the FAST method are:

Step 1: Identification of flexible resources in the power system.

This step is related to the identification of the technical flexible resource among four groups of flexible resources, which are: Dispatchable power plants, Energy storage, Interconnection, Demand side management. The flexibility is measured as a capability of source to ramp up or ramp down in a certain time interval (e.g. MW/min, MW/15min, MW/hour, MW/ 6 hours, etc.). When flexibility is summarized it represents the total technical flexible resource in the assessed area, expressed in MW over desired time interval. The identified source can be used to balance the net load.

Step 2: Assessment of the available flexible resource.

When technical resources are identified it is necessary to see how much of these resources could be available at certain moment so all constraints in the system should be introduced. Constraints will be related to the operation of the power market, contingencies in power lines, forecasting uncertainties, use of power plants for other purposes, etc. The final number will show what are actually flexible resources that can ramp-up or down as required.

Step 3: The need for flexibility.

This step will show what are the needs for flexibility which may come from the demand side or supply side and related forecast uncertainty, unpredicted outages etc. The different renewable energy sources available and utilized as well as size of area under assessment will have big influence on the flexibility needs. Finally, the maximal needs for flexibility will be known and will be expressed as megawatts over desired period of time.

Step 4: Identifying possibility for integration of new variable RES

This step should identify what is possible installed capacity of variable RES in certain area in order to have reliably balanced system. As it takes into account how the system is presently designed and operated it will also point out what new flexible resources could be deployed in order to increase the variable RES.

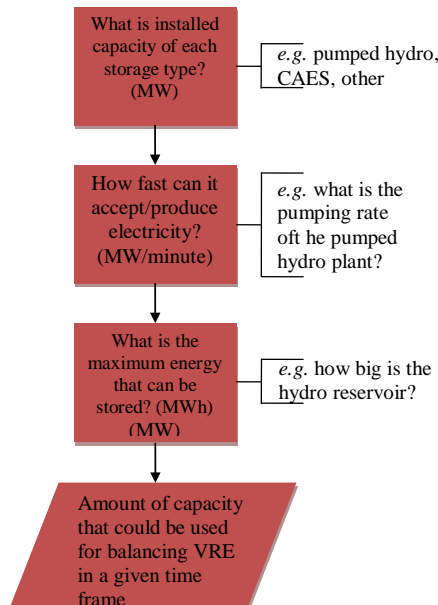


Figure 3. Assessing the energy storage issue in the FAST methodology [43].

2.5. Case studies

2.5.1. 100% RES Islands

Today, islands represent excellent places for demonstration of new clean technologies and new pathways for sustainable development. Islands in their nature are isolated systems so to organize life on them they usually have all elements of the big system but just operated on a smaller scale. The advantage of the islands is that they have favourable potential of renewable energy sources and they are not so rich in fossil fuels thus a lot of them are 100% dependent of imports. Small islands' markets and large imports of fuels that cannot be stored locally, due restricted space and capacity of local storages, make fossil fuels even more expensive. Here RES and storage technologies are competitive to fossil fuels even without subsidies. Of course that competitiveness in the first place depends on RES potential and cost of selected conversion and storage technologies but as it is stated in the introduction, there are some islands in the world that manage to find financial models that allowed them to reach 100% RES electricity supply and almost 100% of heat supply. Discussed case studies are assessed by RenewIslands methodology while scenarios are modelled by H₂RES model. Among others scenarios includes plans for 100% RES electricity supply with a certain level of transport fuel and hot water supply. With assumptions on the grid stability issues it is proved that technically 100% RES islands are feasible solutions. Scenarios without hourly penetration limit on electricity from RES were modelled in the way that rejected potential was kept under 30% of yearly potential while size of the installed components is minimized. Evaluation of costs, environmental impact and possible creation of jobs is assessed separately for each evaluated scenario.

2.5.2. 100% RES Electricity Supply for Portugal

The case showed a behaviour of H₂RES model when calculating national energy system. Portugal is chosen as representative case as there were no official policy to have 100% RES electricity supply while on the other side there is large support towards RES and country has among the highest shares of RES electricity coming from wind, while there is also large share of hydropower production and some solar, wave and biomass power plants. As RenewIslands/ADEG methodology firstly proposes pumped storage hydro as the most mature storage technology in the power systems the technology was also favoured in the calculations until certain amount installations is reached, when the batteries and fuel cells were introduced. The 100% scenario was not made for a particular year as it was more oriented for testing of

H₂RES model and to get overall rough estimation of necessary capacities for reaching 100% RES system

2.5.3. Towards 100% RES Croatia

The Croatian case study has been assessed with the EnergyPLAN model and several methodologies described in the chapter 2.1. EnergyPLAN was more suitable for calculations than H₂RES as it has better integrated financial analysis and it has been design for calculation of national systems so it better covers demand and supply in all sectors. Still EnergyPLAN is working with aggregated curves which should be based on real production or calculated from meteorological data and help of other models as it was case of Croatia. By calculating this case several steps of new RESTEP methodology have been tasted.

3. RESULTS

The part of the work presented in this chapter has already been published in the papers [2], [18] and [28] so just the most interesting findings will be presented.

3.1. 100% RES Islands

As it is mentioned in the Chapter 2 the Renewislands methodology has been primarily developed in order to enable assessment of technical feasibility of various options for integrated energy and resource planning of islands and not necessarily to support development of 100% RES systems. Only options that come out from locally present resources for the analysed islands have been the renewable energy sources so even not designed for it, the Renewislands methodology guided the development of solutions for 100% RES systems.

The methodology has been applied by various authors to the islands: Malta, Porto Santo, Mljet and Corvo [18], Losinj [69] and Unije [70].

By use of the methodology several islands have been approached. Implementation of methodology to each island gave bigger difference in the first two steps, which were more due to local conditions while the third and fourth step brought more similar results. It was shown that electricity and hydrogen are good solutions for energy carriers or energy vectors on the islands.

In general, focus was mainly on the electricity supply for the power system and transport. Heating and cooling needs were identified as dispersed and not high so it was proposed to be designed at unit level, not island level. However the results of H₂RES calculations in the case of the island of Losinj showed that 80% of heat energy for hot water could be satisfied by the solar thermal collectors and thus decrease the future peak load end electricity demand. In the most of analysed cases hydrogen has been used as energy vector allowing storing of energy and providing fuel for transport. In the case of the Unije island [70], which is very small island with very low road transport needs, electricity was proposed as energy carrier and 100% RES system has been calculated with the batteries as storage technology. Additionally heat in individual heat storages (hot water boilers linked to the solar thermal collectors) has been introduced. The results for Corvo islands have been published in [5] and [71] but there were no scenarios for calculation of 100% RES island. In the cases of the Islands Mljet and Porto Santo, predicted electricity supply and simulated consumption of transport fuel were satisfied 100% from local RES, wind and solar. For the PortoSanto island was planned to

reach a 100% RES system in 2010 and for Mljet that it will be achieved in 2015. With similar planning for a 100% RES system on the Island of Losinj that will include electricity supply, transport and 80% of hot water consumption simulation showed that it could be achieved by 2025. In the case of the Island Unije the 100% RES island including hot water consumption was planned for 2030. Finally, social acceptance of 100% RES scenarios have been assessed through calculation of possible working places related to manufacturing, installation and operation and maintenance of installed technologies. The number of working places has been calculated by multiplication of installed capacities of generating and storage technologies by average employment coefficients given by authors in [72], [73] and [74].

For the Island of Mljet and planned installations in the scenario with 100% RES electricity supply and hydrogen transport fuel, 216 person-years are necessary for production and installation of equipment while 11 people could be employed on O&M on the island, for the Island of Losinj, which has almost ten times more people, it will be necessary 3987 person-years to produce and install equipment and 520 people could work on O&M the large number is result of 74,000 m² of solar thermal collectors and big hydrogen installations that should also cover needs of transport sector. The Island of Unije is the smallest one with only 47 residents but still to achieve 100% RES island in 2030 it will be necessary 95 person years in the equipment production and 6 people in full employment that will work on maintenance of the equipment.

3.1.1. Conclusion on 100% RES islands

Conclusion drawn from all case studies is that Renewislands/ADEG methodology qualitatively presented possible solutions for RES utilization, integration of energy and resources flows and guided the calculations towards 100% RES electricity supply with covering certain heat demand and transport fuel consumption on the analysed islands. The constraints in the calculations and goals of the optimization were to reach 100% RES island with minimal size of installed equipment and 30% of maximal allowed curtailed intermittent potential. Technical evaluation [75] conducted for the grid stability for the island of Mljet showed that with the grid status from 2004 it is possible to connect max. 2 MW of capacity that could not provide the reactive power which means that 100% RES island could be achieved only if additional power electronics for support of the voltage stability will be installed. Financial evaluation of some case studies (Mljet and Unije) showed that energy storage as hydrogen and batteries necessary for 100% RES solutions still ask for much higher

electricity costs than those that could be supplied by the grid, even with the decreased costs of installations that are planned for the future. Pure financial evaluation does not give whole picture on the social cost and benefits. Moreover, energy planning models are using simplified methods for calculation of costs related to installations that usually cover periods of 5 years (as a time step). In this way certain error is introduced into calculations related to the net present values of some technologies. As for example building integrated PV, solar collectors, batteries but also some smaller decentralised fuel cells and hydrogen installations are scalable or they are installed trough all period (not necessarily in the first year). For these systems it will be correct to redistribute costs as for example the price of installed PV trough period of 5 years could be decreased by a half or similar. Another problem is on the earning side as large power plants as coal or gas are installed trough period of 3-5 years while PV, wind, batteries, fuel cells could be installed in month or few months and immediately start to produce energy. So models that have year by year calculations could better reflect the cost analysis. Environmental assessment for the island of Mljet included only emissions saving related to the electricity from the grid and land occupation for planned installations, similar analysis has been done for the Island of Lošinj and Island Unije. The main conclusion is that just a small part of the island's land surface is enough for achieving the 100% RES supply. The desalination on the Mljet and Unije represented good integration of energy and water production and desalination could be further used as Demand Side Management measure. Conclusions related to social acceptance is that for all islands is that 4299 person-years are necessary to produce and install equipment which will just in the smaller part represent jobs that will be open on the islands but what is more important that 537 working places could be open on the islands. These are full time working places so they are even more important as they can serve for populating the islands with younger experts and thus support sustainable development.

It is also interesting that survey conducted for the study [70] showed that 50% of population is ready to produce its own energy and even more 75% if the energy facilities will be in ownership of all citizens from the island.

Currently of all analysed islands only Porto Santo have installed hydrogen demonstration plant similar to one that has been installed on the Utsira island in Norway. Facility on Utsira was able to work 50% of time in a standalone mode but severe problems with fuel cell and hydrogen engine operation were experienced. Expected commercialization of hydrogen technology could happen in the next 15-20 years as current shipments of technology are in the

amounts equal to those that solar technology had in 1996. Alternative scenario to hydrogen is to promote use of batteries and electric vehicles if battery recycling is ensured within the waste management system on the islands.

3.2. 100% RES Electricity Supply for Portugal

3.2.1. *H₂RES and its application to the power system of Portugal (mapping the power needs and resources)*

Portugal's power system is based on thermal power units, which mostly use fossil fuels as primary energy sources. The total installed capacity amounting to 13.6 GW in 2006 comprises 5.8 GW from thermal power plants with an additional capacity of 1.3 GW from thermal power plants classified as producers with special status (P.R.E.), such as CHP and in smaller amounts waste, biomass, and biogas facilities [76]. In total, 53% of the installed capacity comes from thermal units. The installed power in hydro power was also high, i.e. 4.6 GW with an additional 365 MW from hydro power plants acting as special producers (smaller plants) totalling 36% of the installed power capacity. The remaining installed power generating capacity amounting to 11% or 1.6 GW, is derived from the wind power plants whereas a very small amount or 3.4 MW relates to installed solar photovoltaics [77] .

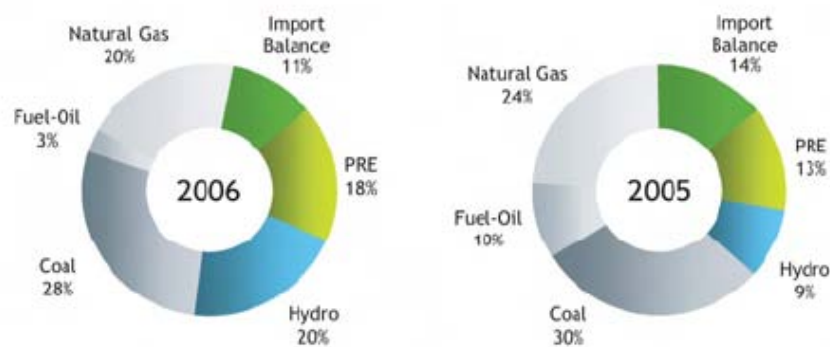


Figure 4. Power supply in 2006 and 2005 per type of fuel and production technology [21].

Total power demand in 2006 was 49,176 GWh, an increase of 2.6% with respect to 2005 [76]. Yearly power production according to type of technology and fuel is presented on Figure 4 while Figure 5 presents the same data on weekly basis for 2006. PRE represents Special Status Generation, producers such as wind, biomass, CHP, small hydro. etc.

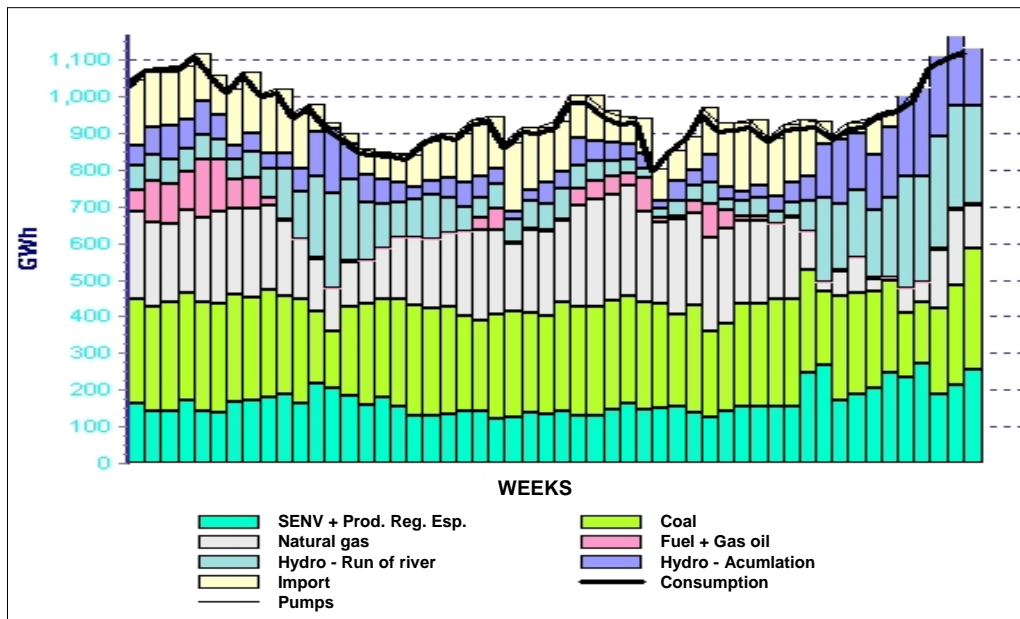


Figure 5. Weekly power consumption and supply in 2006 per type of fuel and production technology [21].

- **Power load:** Real hourly data from 2006 has been used (see Figure 6 [78]) for hourly balancing of the power system in Portugal. The peak load in 2006 was 8,777 MW with the lowest off-peak value at 3,171 MW.

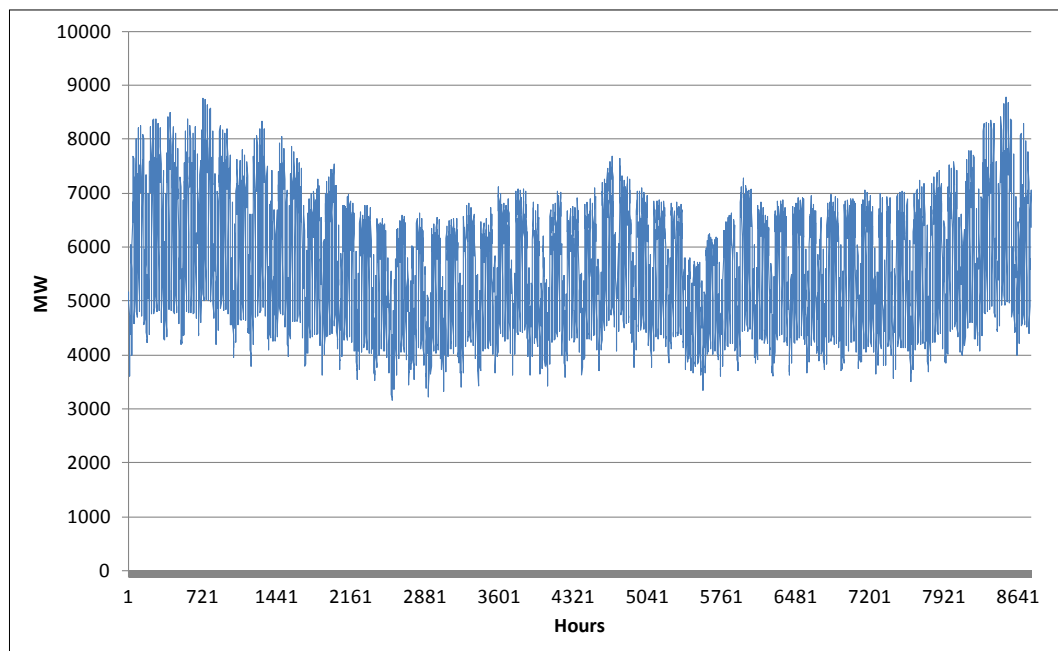


Figure 6. Hourly power load for Portugal in 2006 [23]. Data provided by ENTSO-E.

- **Thermal power plants:** Installed power from thermal power plants has been inserted into H₂RES according to [76]. Based on the type of fuel used, power plants according to the type of fuel used produced the following installed power: 1,776 MW for coal, 1,476 MW for fuel oil, 236 MW for fuel oil and natural gas, 197 MW for gas oil and 2,166 MW for natural gas.

Installed capacity produced from waste, biomass and biogas power plants was removed from the installed capacity from PRE producers [77] and were treated in the H₂RES model separately using the biomass module.

- **Wind power:** Wind data, used in the H₂RES model, is mostly collected from the reports [77] and [79]. Total installed power in 2005 amounted to 1,047 MW compared to 1,681 MW in 2006. Portugal has been divided into six continental (onshore) areas called Faro, Lisbon, Coimbra, Viseu, Braga, and Bragamca, and two offshore areas, Sagres and Peniche. For these locations, the hourly wind speed necessary for the calculations has been obtained from the METEONORM program [80]. Since this program uses wind speeds that are measured at meteorological stations which are mainly installed in urban or hidden places and not at the wind turbine sites, a necessary wind speed adjustment has been applied using monthly correction factors defined to match production in 2006 with the data presented in [22]. The adjustment has been carried out using simple monthly correction factors.

Two models of wind turbines, the 2MW Vestas V90 and 5MW Re-Power, with their associated power curves have been incorporated into the calculations. The smaller turbine represents current installations and that will be built by 2020 while the 5MW model is used for new installations in the 100% RES scenario. There are unavoidable uncertainties in assessing wind energy potential at a site. To quantify these uncertainties, the author in [81] presents a numerical procedure for evaluating the uncertainty caused by the variability of natural wind and power performance. These uncertainties increase when all turbines in a certain region are represented by one measurement and one type of turbine.

- **Solar power:** In 2006, there were around 3.4 MW of installed solar power plants in Portugal [77]. Since then, there has been much progress in the construction of other solar PV power plants. The Amareleja plant is located near the southern town of Moura (Alentejo), with approximately 262,080 solar panels spread over more than 250 hectares and with 46 MW of installed power. Another completed solar PV plant is the Parque Fotovoltaico Hércules at Brinches, Serpa, with an installed capacity of 11 MW and annual electricity generation of more than 18 GWh. Another interesting project, the Tavria thermal solar power station, is currently under construction and will have installed capacity of 6.5 MW_e, generating approximately 12 GWh of electricity per year [82]. In the H₂RES model, all power plants have been treated as solar PV-photovoltaics plants installed in a single location in southern Portugal. Hourly solar radiation for the location has been obtained using the METEONORM

program. All PV modules have been treated as fixed modules under an optimal radiation angle. Total efficiency of the solar PV plant was set to 15%.

- **Wave power:** There are several demonstrational wave power plants currently installed or under construction in Portugal. Parque Aguçadoura with 2.25 MW consists of 3x750 kW Pelamis machines and 2 MW the plant Archimedes Wave Swing, with both installations located are at Póvoa de Varzim, the CEO Douro, a 1 MW installation at Porto do Douro, AQUABUOY with 2 MW located at Figueira da Foz. As explained in the second chapter, all wave power plants in the calculations are represented by the Pelamis machines [83]. The hourly wave data used in calculations has been obtained from forecasting models described in [84] and [85].

- **Biomass:** According to [77], in 2006 the total installed capacity of power plants using biomass was 477.2 MW, of which 357 MW was from CHP plants, 24 MW from plants without CHP, 88 MW from waste incineration and 8.2 MW from biogas facilities. The total bioenergy electric power potential in Portugal from forest biomass was estimated to be 6 %. Forest biomass potential consists mainly in both eucalyptus and pine thinning and cleanings, representing 55% of the total forest biomass production in Portugal [86]. Additional potential could lie in production from *Miscanthus*, a giant perennial rhizomatous grass. In study [87], the authors estimated electricity production from *Miscanthus* in Portugal to be 2.8 TWh annually which presents 5.7% of the current demand. In [88], the estimated bioenergy potential in Portugal is 26,366 GWh/year, of which 8,378 GWh/yearly comes from energy crops used in biofuel production. The use of biomass should be maximised in local plants due to expensive transport costs. To get a better overview of the local potential, it would be desirable to follow the methodology stated in [89], where a detailed analysis of the whole region has been conducted. The authors carried out an analysis of the potential from the biomass residues using the Geographical Information Systems (GIS) database and statistical analysis. The authors concluded that the annual biomass residue potential for the Marvão region is about 10,600 tonnes, corresponding to an energy production potential of about 106,000 GJ. The Marvão region covers an area of 154.9 km² (less than 0.2% of Portugal) and with an average forest cover rate of about 49%. Although the H₂RES model accepts up to five different types of units for biomass energy conversion, and since there was no specific data on biomass collection for the whole of Portugal, an equal distribution of biomass throughout the year was assumed. This was represented by a group of biomass source with a lower heating value of 14 GJ/t and a biomass to electricity conversion efficiency amounting 25%. In 2010,

the installed biomass capacity will amount to 250 MW [90]. It will be also possible to utilize in Portugal energy from municipal waste incineration. According to RES technology roadmap, a 100 MW target of installed capacity for anaerobic waste treatment units has been established [90].

- **Hydropower:** Portugal is one of the European Union countries with the highest exploitable potential of hydropower. It is also one of the countries with the lowest hydro capacity growths over the last 30 years, remaining at around 54% of its exploitable potential. As has already been mentioned, Portugal in 2006 had in its hydropower plants 4,582 MW of installed power with an additional 365 MW from P.R.E producers. According to [91], storage hydropower plants possessed an installed capacity of 2,287 MW and a maximum storage capacity of 3,082 GWh with the ability to store up to 7,716 mil. m³ of water. The installed hydropower plants accounting for 2,295 MW and 365 MW from P.R.E are treated in the H₂RES calculations as run-of-river. Portugal also has a large installed capacity in pumped hydro storage power plants and according to [92], their capacity in 2006 was 1048 MW. The water data for the hydropower production has been simulated in accordance with rainfall measurements in Bragamca (the northeast Portugal) and obtained from the METENORM program. The data also included weekly power production from hydropower plants and obtained from the REN website. The hydro module in H₂RES accepts only one reversible or storage hydropower plant with upper and lower reservoirs, which means that all storage hydro is combined with the storage capacities aggregated and treated as a single power plant. This assumption could lead to certain errors if hydropower plants are required to work at a full load capacity longer than two days in a period without natural or pumped water inflow into the upper reservoir, as illustrated on Figure 7. The possibility of the module including evaporation from the reservoirs has not been incorporated in the calculations, as it requires additional detailed data concerning reservoir surfaces. Hydropower is clearly a priority and one of the principal commitments in the national energy policy. High Potential Hydroelectric Dams National Program (PNBEPH) identifies the viability and development of hydroelectric plants and aims to identify and prioritise investments in hydroelectric power plants due for completions by 2020. The program seeks to achieve a hydroelectric power installed capacity exceeding 7000 MW by 2020 in Portugal, providing an additional capacity of 2000 MW [93].
- The Grid-Import/Export capacity in 2006 was 1,200 MW [94] and there are also plans for increasing the capacity to over 3000 MW by 2014 [95].

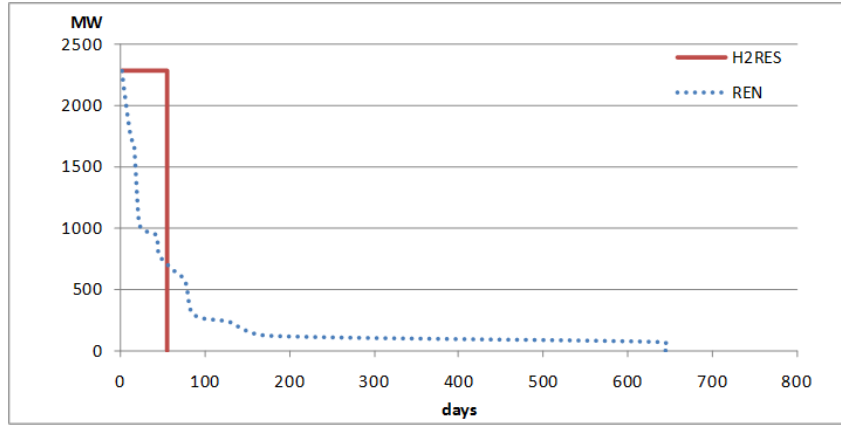


Figure 7. Operation of the hydro storage power plants from full storages and maximal load in the period without inflow of water in the upper reservoirs.

3.2.2. The H₂RES reference scenario for Portugal in 2006

A reference scenario has been used for testing the H₂RES model and its preparation for 100% RES simulation in Portugal. Figure 6 shows the results of the H₂RES calculation for the reference scenario. A comparison of H₂RES results and data from the literature in the bibliography is given in Table 2.

Table 2. Comparison of electricity production in 2006 for H₂RES results and data from literature [91] and [76].

Supplying demand [GWh]	H ₂ RES		Literature	
Wind	2811	5.7%	2892	5.8%
Solar	4.6	0.0%	3.4	0.0%
Wave	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Run-of-river	6911	14.1%	6866	13.8%
Biomass	1998	4.1%	1945	3.9%
Hydro	4360	8.9%	4319	8.7%
Fuel cell	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Batteries	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Grid-Import	51	0.1%	5441	10.9%
Fossil Fuel	32964	67.1%	28399	57.0%
Total	49099	100%	49865	100%

As the model does not support hourly financial analysis, there is also no possibility of optimising the operation of the power plants with respect to marginal costs, and hence this was the main reason why importing electricity was replaced with fossil fuel generation. Due to the number of installed power of wind turbines increasing in 2006 at almost a linear rate, and an additional 634 MW since the start of the same year, in order to obtain similar results in achieved production, installed wind power in 2006 in H₂RES was reduced to one half of the new installations.

3.2.3. H₂RES Portugal 2020 – open system calculation

In this scenario, the power from renewable units has been increased until reaching the goals set for 2020 [96]. Once the increasing the power, the grid was expanded to allow exporting of all power that should otherwise be rejected. The intermittent limit was set to 80%. Primary generation is presented on Figure 8. The scenario where demand is met in Portugal in the year 2020 is presented in Figure 9. In this case, new biomass production is increased to 793 GWh.

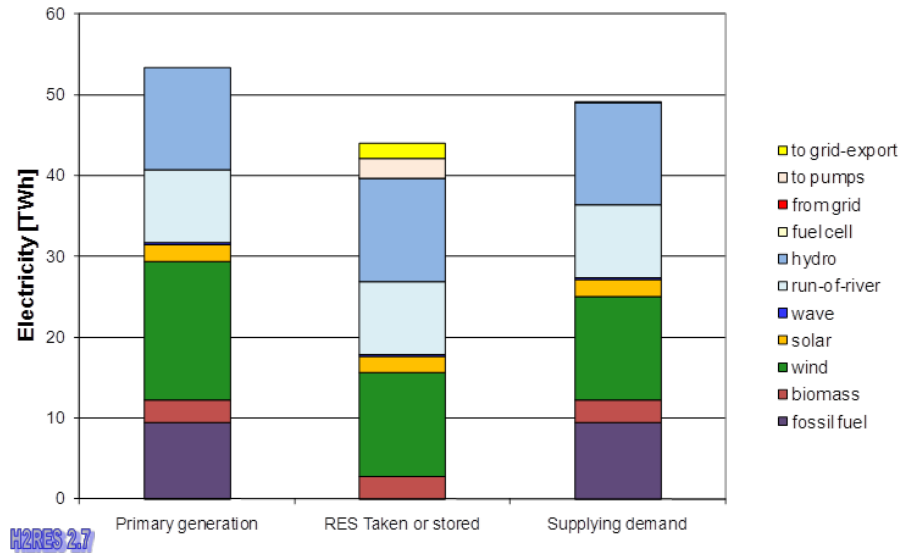


Figure 8. Primary generation of electricity in Portugal 2020.

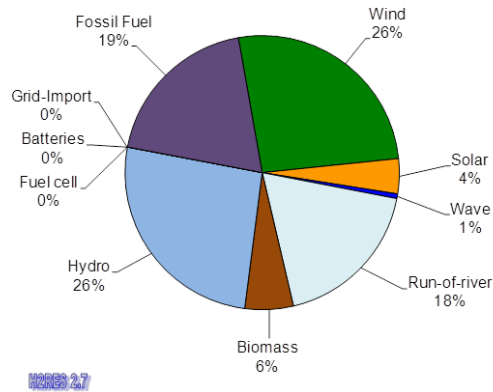


Figure 9. Supplying the demand in Portugal for 2020.

The results for weekly energy balancing and power production, pump consumption and RES export are given in Figure 10.

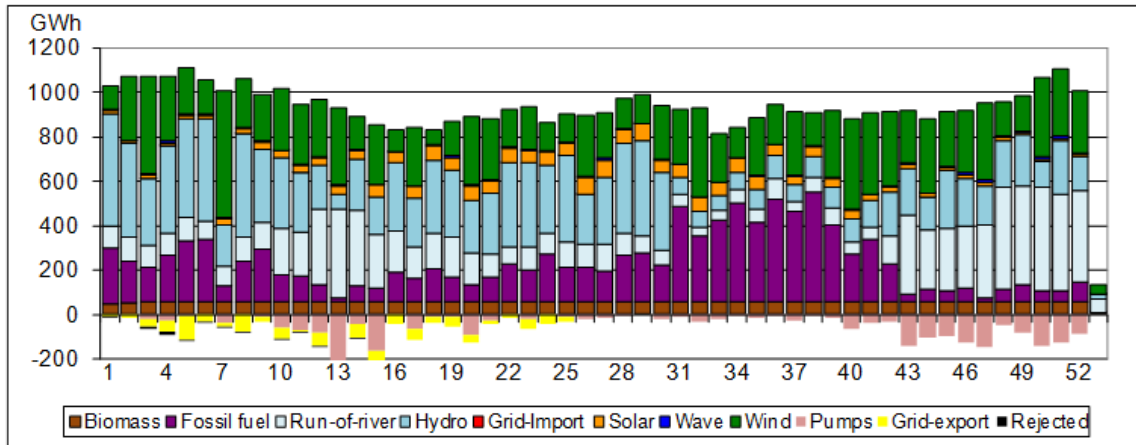


Figure 10. Calculated weekly power production, pump consumption and RES export in Portugal 2020 scenario.

According to data provided in [93], the turbine power of storage and reversible hydropower plants was expanded to 2,779 MW, while pump power was increased to 1,889 MW. The remaining hydropower increase of 794.25 MW in order to reach strategy goals was added to run-of-river. Additional energy production in 2006 amounted to 4,034 GWh for storage hydro systems and 2,063 GWh or 30% for run-of-river production. Storage and reversible hydropower plants operated in turbine mode for 4,816 hours at a total capacity factor of only 28%, whereas in pumping mode the plants operated for only 1,356 hours accounting for a total capacity factor of 10%. Without expanding grid export capacity, exported electricity totalled 1.8 TWh with the rejected intermittent potential at 156 GWh. With the additional 2,510 MW of grid export capacity, the system was able to export all intermittent potential. It is interesting to note that with additional new grid capacity, the system could operate without fossil fuel production by importing 9.43 TWh of electricity, resulting in a total import-export balance of 7.47 TWh. If the guarantees of renewable origin could be obtained for imported electricity, under the assumption that the system could also import ancillary services and with the same consumption as in 2006., Portugal could reach a 100 % renewable electricity supply by 2020.

3.2.4. A H₂RES 100% RES scenario – closed system calculation

Similar to open system calculation, another analysis of the 100% RES scenario has been conducted with the main assumption in energy balance being that the Portuguese power system is a closed system, implying no connections for electricity import/exports with Spain.

In this scenario, planned installations in the Portuguese energy strategy for 2020 have been further expanded to achieve a 100% RES scenario. There are no intermittent limits in the

calculations as it was assumed that units such as hydropower plants, biomass facilities and large 5MW wind turbines would possess some degree of frequency and voltage control. Results for weekly and daily energy balancing for a 100% RES scenario are shown in Figure 11 and Figure 12.

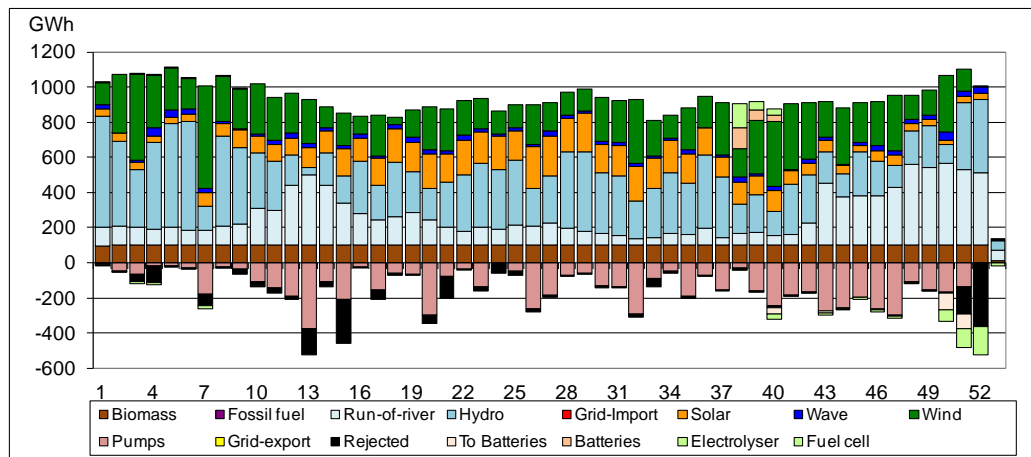


Figure 11. Calculated weekly power production, storage consumption and rejected RES potential in 100% RES scenario.

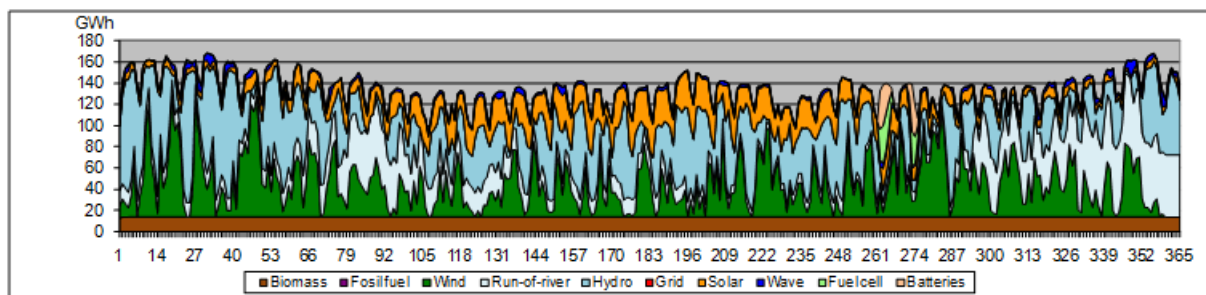


Figure 12. Calculated daily power production in 100% RES scenario.

Energy from biomass and waste is constant under the assumption that collection during the year remains the same. The power of installed components for 100% renewable electricity production are 9,970 MW wind, 4,500 MW solar, 6,289 MW hydro power plants (turbine mode of operation), 5,600 MW (pump mode of operation), planned 1,200 MW of electrolyzers, 1,500 MW Fuel cell, 3,850 MW of battery connections, 3,454 MW Run-of-river hydropower plants, 750 MW of biomass, 1005 MW of Pelamis Wave machines. The interesting fact is that Portugal is planning to install 3266 MW of PHS by 2020 (Table 29).

The installed power from wind turbines reached almost 10 GW and is only 1.5 GW more than planned by the new energy strategy. A total of 640 MW of new installations were added as off-shore units. The rest were added to current locations, by replacing old and small turbines with 5-6 MW units. Consequently, a lot of space could be saved at good windy locations. The second largest installations, are the turbines and pumps in storage systems and reversible

hydropower plants. In the closed system, calculations resulted in a biomass potential of 20.75 TWh, producing 5.18 TWh of electricity or around 11% of total demand (see Figure 13).

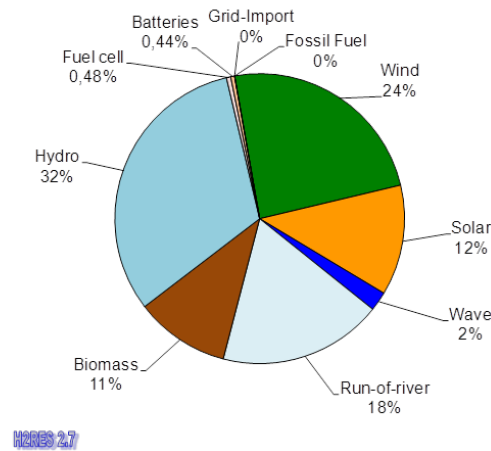


Figure 13. Supplying demand in 100% RES scenario- closed system calculation.

Furthermore, pumped hydro, batteries and fuel cells (hydrogen loop) have been used in calculations as possible energy storage technologies. Battery storage and retrieval efficiencies have been set to 92% in calculations, with electrolysis efficiency set at 78% and fuel cells at 60%. The aggregated capacities of storage units were 4456 GWh of PHS, 360 GWh of hydrogen storage and 235 GWh of the batteries.

3.2.5. Discussion for modelling 100% RES national energy system in H₂RES

In the H₂RES model, only one unit was used to simulate reversible hydro storage, which is usually enough in simulating islands or particular units connected to larger systems. However, when used for simulation of large power systems with different types of hydropower plants and respective reservoir capacities, it would be desirable to optimise the system at a more detailed level using as much of the available technical details for existing and planned power plants as possible. In this way, PHS systems will achieve improved total capacity factors and certain errors due to the aggregation of installed power and storage capacities will be avoided. Moreover, as energy planning is carried out by simulating power systems at an hourly rate, it will be desirable to try to optimize the operation of systems according to market behaviour, which is already done by models such as EnergyPLAN or by the market-equilibrium model explained in [97]. This model has been used to analyse the Iberian market and the different conditions faced by generation companies: the scenarios for CO₂-emission prices, hydro conditions, demand, fuel prices and renewable generation. According to the model in [97], the authors have calculated 33% of RES electricity in the Iberian market by 2012. Therefore, it

will be interesting to see the results of their model for a 100% RES system for the Iberian market, since the authors are looking at the whole issue of sustainability.

In both stated future scenarios, system stability was addressed using intermittent limits or the assumption that current and new RES units acting as biomass and hydro power plants will provide adequate ancillary services. Ancillary services, rendered in order to maintain voltage and frequency stability by controlling active and reactive power, are normally supplied from large dispatched central stations. Alternatives to these stations are required as production share decreases in systems with high RES shares, which are mostly represented by smaller decentralised units [98]. In the same paper, the author has demonstrated the possibility of integrating large quantities of wind power into an electrical power system, under the condition that certain requirements are fulfilled. Wind power and small-scale CHP plants must be able to supply ancillary services units [98]. There is also the possibility that new wind turbines may supply all types of ancillary services by the use of power electronics, as explained in [99] for the Doubly Fed Induction Generator (DFIG) wind turbine. In addition to the ancillary services issue, there are also other localised (e.g. grid congestion) problems since most of RES sources are not distributed evenly in the area.

Portugal already has a large quantity of reversible hydro in its system. As a proven technology, the new storage installations in 100% RES should be mostly reversible power plants that could be carried out as extensions to already existing storage power plants, and is treated in [93]. Pumped hydro storage plants could also be built near existing lakes or reservoirs where a suitable height elevation exists. A possibly interesting approach for identifying potential PHS locations is explained in [100]. Other storage technologies exist such as compressed air and hydrogen production, but at their current cost and level of technological development, they could only be carried out to a smaller extent.

A 100% RES scenario relies a lot on hydro energy, which can vary significantly between wet and dry years. As presented in [82], large hydropower plants possess capacity factors ranging from 11.8% to 43.2% in the period between 1997-2009. The capacity factor in large hydropower plants in 2006 was 26.3%, making it the most average year with regards to hydropower production in the mentioned period. In order to have a stable supply and due to the large variability of hydro, planning should also be conducted for the worst case scenarios in dry years. This will lead to increased reserve capacities installed by other technologies, but which will then have low usage during the wet years. Another approach for a secure supply

could be the optimisation of system operation at hourly and seasonal levels, where some controllable sources could be saved for a longer period of time.

From the 17 identified locations for wave power plants examined in H₂RES, only ten were selected for large installations (50 or more units). The capacity factors on these locations range from 10% to 13%, meaning that Pelamis wave energy converters will work with very low load factors, at a smaller percentage than described in [101]. This means that wave data and power matrices should be additionally checked or the Pelamis machines will need to be fitted in Portugal for operation. Meteorological data from METEONORM and H₂RES results should be compared to actual measured wind speeds and solar radiation at the selected sites or compared with real production when available for certain installations in operation. Biomass and waste potential should also be verified if new detailed studies are published.

With the current renewable energy policy and strategy for the expansion of RES installations by 2020, and taking into account a RES share in electricity consumption amounting to 35.1% in 2009, comprising of 40% wind energy and 46% hydro energy, Portugal provides a good example of an experimental region targeting a 100% RES electricity supply by applying pumped hydro and other storage technologies.

3.2.6. Conclusion on the 100% RES electricity supply for Portugal

Presented are modelling results of three electricity production scenarios in Portugal's power system, a reference scenario for 2006, and a Portugal 2020 scenario drawn up according to the new energy strategy for 2020 and the 100% RES scenario. All scenarios are modelled using H₂RES software and they will need further, more detailed elaboration. In both future scenarios, electricity demand was the same as in 2006, hence an additional forecast should be made to include increases or decreases in demand. Possible energy efficiency measures may significantly decrease demand, for instance, improved building insulation resulting in reducing electricity requirements for air conditioning during the summer or heating during the winter. The use of solar thermal collectors for hot water heating or absorption cooling could also decrease electricity consumption.

Closed system calculations enabled a better overview of accessible energy technologies but also point out certain limitations of the H₂RES program that has restricted development of more detailed and optimised results. Only the used model accepts only a single reversible hydro installation, and this should be reprogrammed in order to gain quality results that will enable modelling of larger energy systems with more geographically dispersed units. There is

no automatic optimization of the model based on cost, and the environmental and social parameters arising from each technology. By optimising these parameters, the model will provide more sustainable solutions that should now be calculated separately.

Without cost optimisation, the order of generation and priority of storages is set deterministically by the limitation equations in the model. Consequently, if there is no penetration limit, the model forces a certain technology to its maximum or to the maximum available potential, without giving priority to lower costing technology or production during certain hours.

The current 100% RES solution favours hydro and wind power. Wind power should be implemented using installations with big reversible or pumped hydropower plants and could be achieved by installing bigger wind turbines and storage systems. Hydrogen and batteries could become a storage solution for large future systems once the technology further progresses, and once it become possible to combine these storages into a transport system.

If Portugal is to fulfil all the goals set out by new energy strategy and if it undertake additional grid expansion, which will allow it to exchange (export-import) only RES electricity, theoretically it will then be possible to achieve a 100% RES supply within 10 years time. Energy efficiency measures could speed up and make the converting process to 100% RES system even easier. Achieving a 100% RES electricity supply in a closed system will take more effort and certainly be more financially demanding as there are additional installations on the production and storage side that will be in operation for a small number of hours. In order to calculate optimal solution models for energy planning that carry out energy balancing on an hourly basis, it will be necessary to include more detailed operational planning amongst the system units. This will result in a full exploration of existing and planned assets without the necessary erroneous estimations of required installed power and the size of RES units and energy storage systems.

Covering 100% of electricity demand from renewable energy sources is just one big step in achieving a 100% renewable energy system. The effects of energy production from renewable energy sources could be multiplied if a whole energy system is calculated and if energy and other resources flows are integrated. Hydro storage and pumping could be easily and effectively integrated with fire protection and irrigation. This can further be integrated with biomass and biofuel production. Integrating power heat and cold generation provides maximal

efficiencies. Finally, energy demands in the transport sector could be easily coupled with power production using hydrogen or batteries in electric vehicles.

3.3. 100% RES Croatia

3.3.1. STEP-1 Mapping the needs

The mapping of needs from the country level is not the same as from the island level as the system is not so homogenous as for the islands. Several new factors in geographic distribution are introduced. Level for assessment may be Global, code G, which may represent national or EU level; Regional, code R, which corresponds to statistical or any other area that is recognized by having several distanced similar characteristics (e.g towns governed from one place, geographical regions as Dalmatia, or Slavonia, counties with in the states, etc.) and finally Local level, code L, which represents the smallest level for the assessment. Moreover, needs on the local level are divided into three groups in order to have better recognition for integration of flows Urban-U/ Suburban - SU/ Rural – RU.

Table 3. Mapping the needs.

Needs	Level	Geographic distribution			
Electricity	High	Concentrated	G/R/L	U/SU/RU	ElectHC
Heat	High	Concentrated	L*	U/SU/RU	HeatHC
Cold	High	Concentrated	L*	U/SU/RU	ColdHC
Transport fuel	High	Long	G/R/L	U/SU/RU	TranHL
Water	High	Concentrated	R/L	U/SU/RU	WaterHC
Waste treatment	High	Concentrated	R/L	U/SU/RU	WasteHC
Wastewater treatment	High	Concentrated	L	U/SU	WWTHC

* industrial and agricultural heat or cold needs could be also regional character (food processing factories or big refrigerators for preserving fruit and vegetables but will be usually concentrated at one or two locations).

Electricity and all other commodity needs have been marked on the high level in order to have sustainable development, although the gross electricity consumption per capita in Croatia was 33.7 percent below the European Union (EU27) average in 2010. Current and historical quantity of demand for each commodity is determined from statistical publications and future needs can be calculated by the models that use methods described by the formulas from introduction chapter 1.2.5 (formulas 1-5). Need for electricity in Croatia can be also seen from the power system load in 2008 (Figure 14) or monthly consumption (Figure 15). From both figures it is evident that higher peak loads and consumption are achieved during winter months which can be correlated to colder weather, lower temperatures and increased heating

demand. Similar there is also increase during the summer months that can be correlated to increase of the air temperatures and bigger cooling demand but it also must be correlated to the tourist arrivals that increase population in Croatia for at least 10% during July and August.

From same figures it can be also seen the possibility for daily and seasonally load levelling by energy storage technologies that are further discussed in the third step of methodology application.

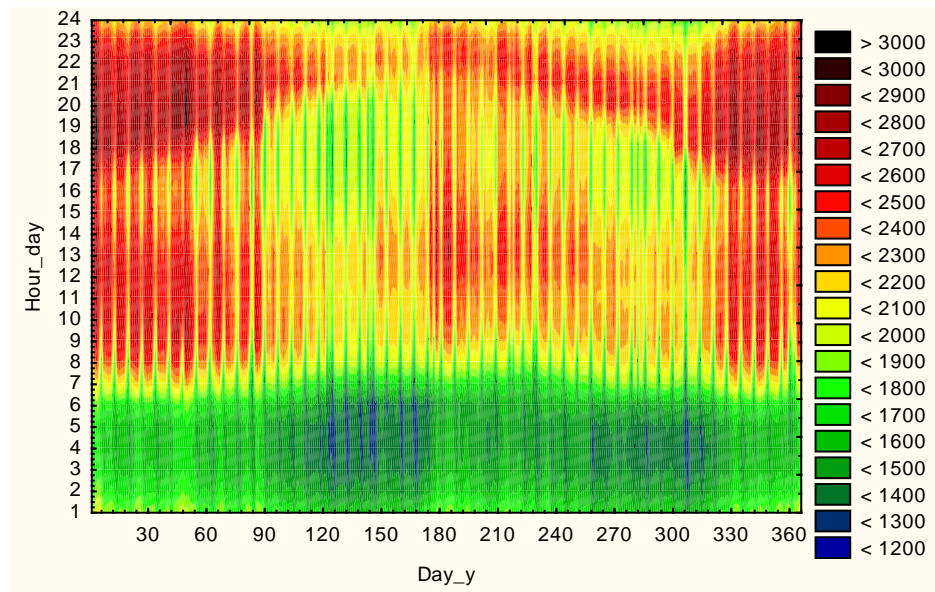


Figure 14. Hourly load of Croatian power systems in 2008 (load in MW plotted against hour of day and day of year).

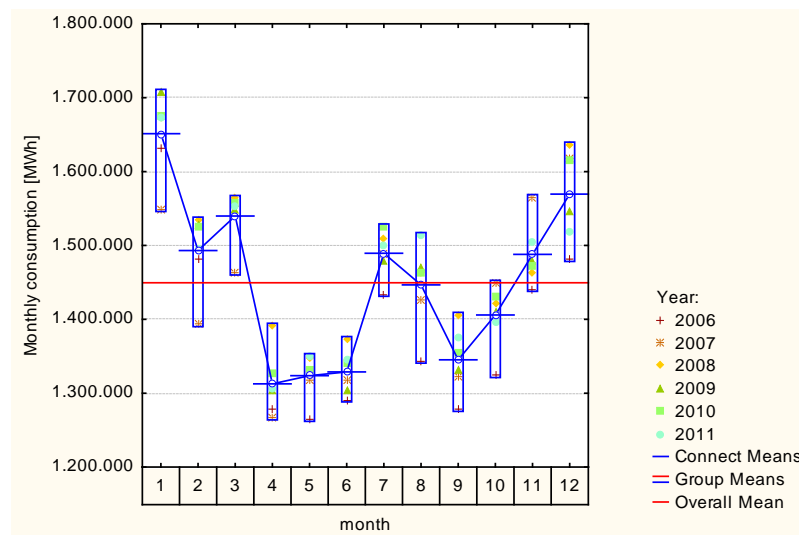


Figure 15. Monthly electricity consumption in Croatia for the period 2006-2011.

3.3.2. STEP-2 Mapping the resources

Similar to the needs geographical distribution of resources is extended to three levels Global/Regional/Local, potential of resource on these levels can be estimated as High/Medium/Low or in the case of electricity connection Strong/Weak/No as well as code for existing infrastructure Yes/No.

Table 4. Mapping the resources for Croatia.

Resource	Level		Code
Global-Regional-Local primary energy			
Wind	Medium	GM/RH/LH	WindM
Solar	Medium	GM/RM/LH	SolarM
Hydro (height)	High	GM/RH/LH	HydroHH
Hydro (river flow)	High	GM/RH/LH	HydroRfH
Biomass	High	GH/RH/LH	BiomH
Geothermal	Medium	GM/RM/LH	GeothM
Wave	Low	GL/RL/LL	WaveL
Sea current	Low	GL/RL/LL	SeaCurrL
Tidal	Low	GL/RL/LL	TidalL
Energy import infrastructure			
Grid connection	Strong	GS/RS/LM	GridS
Natural gas pipeline	Yes	GY/RY/LN	NGplY
LNG terminal	No		LNGtN
Oil pipeline	Yes	GY/RY/LN	OilPY
Oil terminal/refinery	Yes	GY/RY/LN	OilRY
Oil derivatives terminal	Yes	GY/RY/LN	OilDY
Water			
Precipitation	High	GH/RH/LM	H2OPH
Ground water	High	GH/RM/LM	H2OGH
Water pipeline	Yes	GY/RN/LN	AquaY
Sea water	Yes	GY/RN/LN	H2OSY

3.3.3. Wind resources

At the end of 2010 there were 89 MW of installed wind power plants in Croatia and in the next ten years more than 1100 MW should be installed to fulfil the goals of the current Croatian energy strategy. In the registry of RES projects, investors applied over 6540 MW of new wind installations, of which 4800 MW are located in the Southern Croatian region Dalmatia which indicates that it has a very favourable wind conditions.

Together with the development of wind turbines and wind power plants there has been also a big progress in the development of wind power meteorology. According authors in [102] wind power meteorology does not belong wholly within the fields of meteorology, climatology or geography, they claim that it is more their combination, so it represents applied science, whose methods are meteorological, but whose aims and results are geographical. To assess the wind potential and prediction of possible production three main areas are important: micro-siting of wind turbines, estimation of regional wind energy

resources, and short-term prediction of the wind power potential, hours and days ahead. The installation of wind turbines in large areas on many projects can significantly reduce the 10-minute fluctuations as a fraction of the total installed output which could also positively impact the integration of wind power [103]. As measurements on the most of the potential sites of wind farms are conducted by the private companies and investors, their data are not publicly available. This is major obstacle in front of the energy planers with in different sectors, as without good and precise wind atlas they are unable to predict and calculate benefits of wind energy utilization. This will be major issue if energy systems will try to become more independent [104] and sustainable [15] or when special financial mechanisms for support of RES integration should be calculated [105]. The problems related to people in charge for planning, operation and safety of power systems is that having fewer stations than potential project sites implies that much of “diversity benefit” due to geographical dispersion of the sites may be lost in a simulated data at small time scale. The size of relevant area for impact studies and time scale has been described in [103]. In general time scales from milliseconds to minutes and all areas are related to system stability and primary reserves. Minutes to hours time scale is relevant for system balancing while scale from month to years are related to the system adequacy. The seasonal changes of the mean monthly wind speeds measured at 46m height for three locations are presented in Figure 16. Measurements were taken as a part of the project AWSERCRO [66] and they are elaborated in detail in the Annex D where methodology for determination of possible hourly wind power electricity production for Croatia is described.

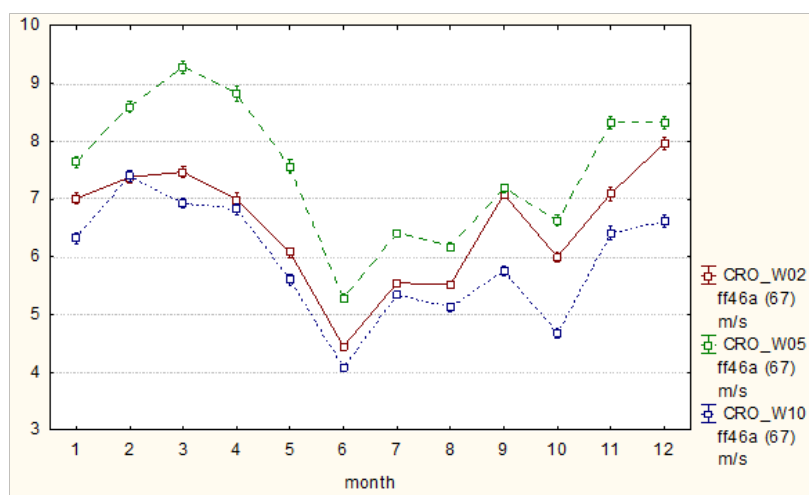


Figure 16. Seasonal changes of the mean monthly wind speeds for the locations W02, W05 and W10 at 46m height - AWSERCRO.

There are certain measurements in Dalmatia region; some of the results are available as well as meteorological data and data with historical production of wind turbines from few operating sites. Moreover, wind turbine power curves are given by their producers and there are also detailed information regarding proposed wind farms in the region so estimation of the energy production from wind farms and hourly production are possible and have been already done by the authors in [106] and [107]. The question that will always rise in front of these calculations is what was uncertainty of calculated wind turbine power production? For Croatian case study there are also three potential technologies that could be interesting for further development. The harnessing of off-shore wind which currently is not an option due to law that forbids construction of these kind of machines but interest for construction exists as foundations and installations of wind turbines in deeper sea is more demanding so it could be opportunity for local shipyards. The second option is installation of small and micro wind turbines with vertical and horizontal axes integrated in the buildings or near them and the third option is utilization of high altitude winds as explained by (Ban, Perkovic and Duic)

3.3.4. Solar resources

It is preferable to have long term measurements when solar resources are assessed as variation in annual irradiation could go for one year measurements as high as +/- 15%, compared to the long term mean, for ten year measurements it could be around +/-9% while for 20 year measurements +/- 2.5%. For Croatia several sources are available (Solar Atlas EIHP, METEONORM, PV-GIS, DHMZ measurements, AWSERCRO). In all of them yearly sum of global irradiation on horizontal surface goes from 1100-1600 kWh/m², but as it is evident from Figure 17 and Figure 18, the stated regional and local irradiation could vary for different models and different measurement periods.

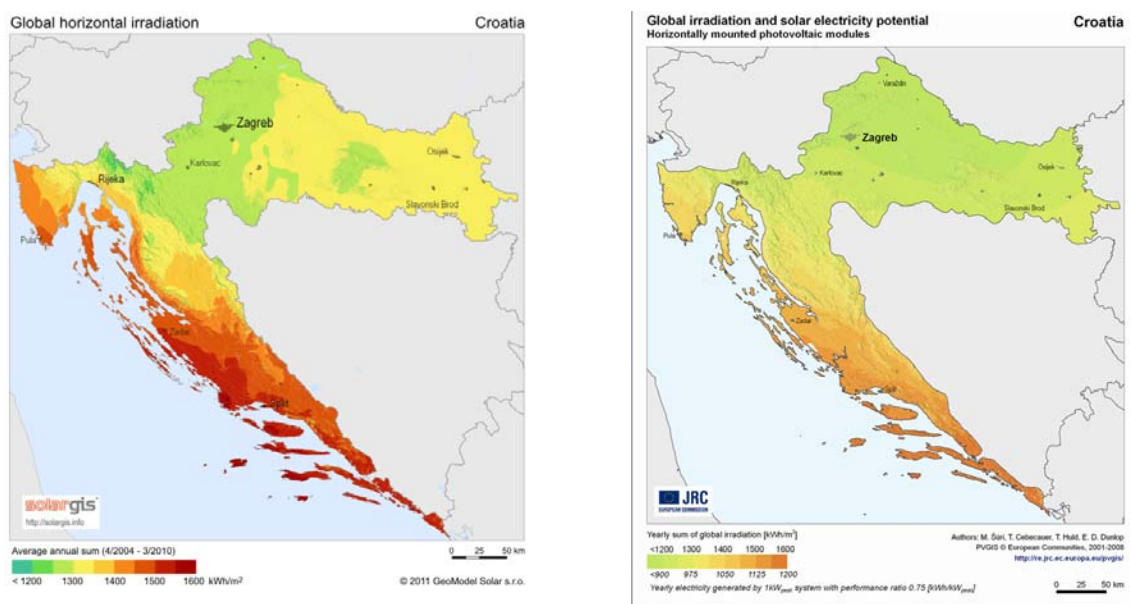


Figure 17. Solar global irradiation on horizontal surface calculated by two different GIS models for two different time periods solargis (2004-2010) and PV-GIS (1981-1990) [65].

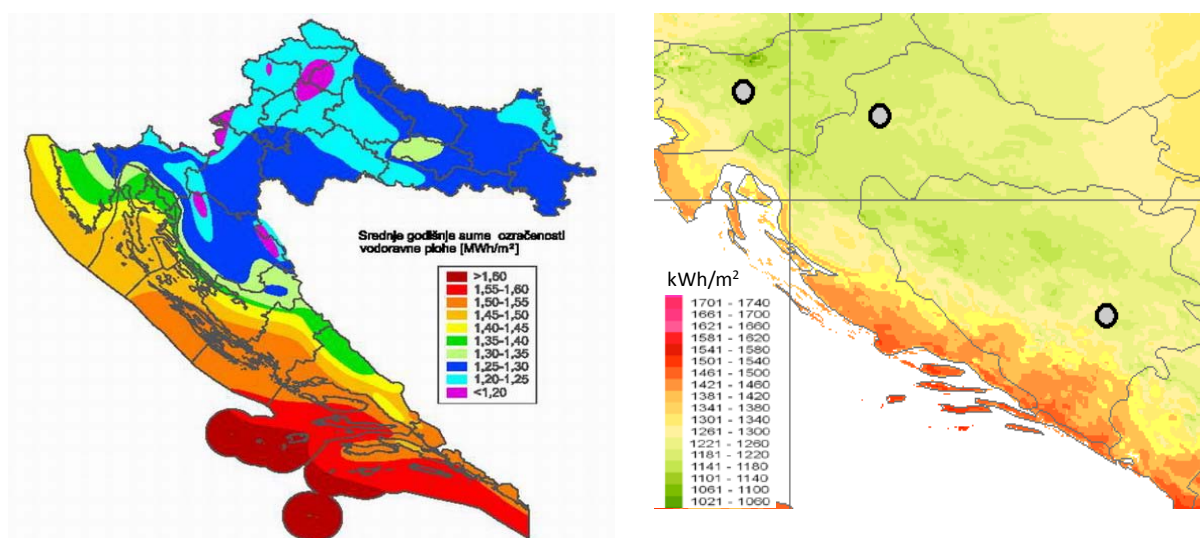


Figure 18. Solar global irradiation on horizontal surface from two different sources Croatian Solar Atlas [108] and METEONORM software [80].

3.3.5. Hydropower resources

Croatian Power system is characterized by large production share from hydropower plants. In the period 1998-2010 they had mean monthly production of 505 GWh with the maximal production of 1056 GWh in December 2010 and minimum production of 166 GWh in September 2003. The seasonal production is evident as mean monthly production in the period November-February was 608 GWh while mean monthly production in the period June-September was 337 GWh. In average, hydropower plants covered 38% of electricity

consumption on monthly base or from 14% in the summer months to 70% in the winter months (Figure 19).

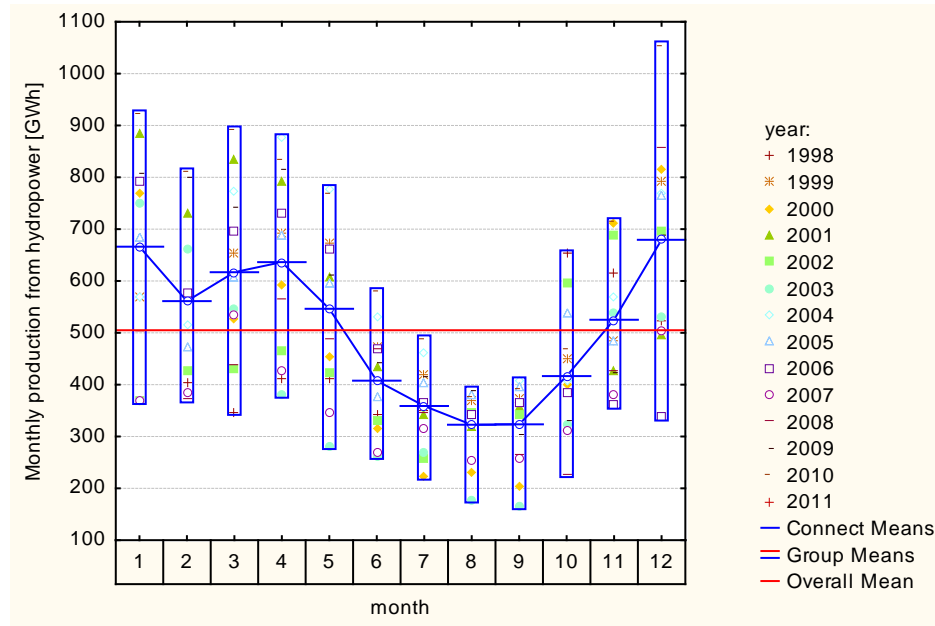


Figure 19. Monthly production of hydropower plants in Croatian power system for the period (1998-2011).

3.3.6. Biomass resources

According [109] the total estimated potential of wood biomass from forestry, industry and agriculture in Croatia is 26 TWh with additional potential of 4 TWh for biofuels production from standard crops. Bigger estimation of the potential for biofuels production of 14.15 TWh with special type of biomass and using the second generation of biofuels is given by authors in [110]. While above numbers are related to the total technical potential of biomass in Croatia more realistic and economically feasible numbers are provided in the paper [111]. The authors estimated 6 TWh/year as the average energy potential of forestry residues, wheat straw and corn stover.

3.3.7. Geothermal resources

Publication [109] states that potential for power production from geothermal power plants in Croatia is 48 MW with a complete utilization of the basin. While the potential for providing the low temperature heat 840 MW (providing media at 50°C) or 1170 MW (providing media at 25 °C) [109].

Croatia has a long history in the utilization of geothermal springs so it is evident that potential for geothermal energy exists at the local level. For purpose of modelling the energy system

only power production will be directly linked to geothermal while the most potential will be utilized in the form of the heat pumps.

3.3.8. Wave, tidal, sea currents

The Adriatic Sea is a closed sea and part of the Mediterranean Sea which has tidal differences and waves much lower than those present in the oceans. Tides in the Adriatic Sea are even smaller, normal tidal differences is below 30 cm so until now there is no known technology or prospects for its developing, that will be able to effectively utilize low tides. Similar the wave heights and power periods compared to Portugal case study are smaller and according the values reported in [112] only 22.41% of time waves will be suitable for production by Pelamis wave energy converters (in Portugal it was 75% of time), but only 1% time they could produce the full power. Calculated load factors for Pelamis machines in Portugal were in the range 10%-13% so for Croatia it will be even lower and thus not comparable to the other technologies for power production.

The speed of the sea currents in the Adriatic Sea are in average around 0.25 m/s but in some places they can reach 2 m/s so it is recommended to make a local assessment with special type of energy converters that fits specific current speeds when detailed map of local sea currents will be available.

In general the potential for power production by the sea energy in the Adriatic by existing and planned feasible technologies is very low so energy of the sea will be only assessed as potential for heat pumps in heating and cooling systems.

Due the fact that there is large inflow of a fresh water to the Adriatic Sea, a large potential for energy production may lay in the utilization of pressure retarded osmosis. It is the salinity gradient energy retrieved from the difference in the salt concentration between seawater and river water. However the technology is still in its research phase without predictions for commercialisation and currently only one 4 kW power plant exists in the world so technology for now will not be considered in the planning of Croatian power system.

When needs and resources are mapped the potential energy carriers have to be selected according table (Table 5). Electricity is one of the most suitable and most needed energy carriers. If certain electricity grid exists at the certain level then even geographically distributed need for electricity could be treated as concentrated around existing grid infrastructure. On the global level it could be treated concentrated on the high voltage grid

(related substations and other infrastructure) while distributed to the medium voltage and low voltage grids. Similar regional concentration of electricity needs can be linked to existing infrastructure concentrated on high and medium voltage levels while distributed on the low voltage level. Local needs will be concentrated around low voltage substations and grids in other case where there is no grid the electricity need should be treated as distributed (mostly rural areas, urban and suburban areas will have all needs concentrated).

District heating and cooling as energy carriers should be assessed from the local level in the areas with urban and suburban characteristics otherwise in rural areas or on the regional and global level the energy losses in their distribution will be too high.

For hydrogen it is envisaged to be possible energy carrier if the need for transport or electricity exists.

Natural gas is as the electricity, networked energy carrier with good possibility for grid distribution. It could be chosen as energy carrier if certain grid infrastructure exists or it is planned to be build.

Other energy carriers are chosen regarding the available infrastructure or resources needed for their production are present on some level.

Table 5. Potential energy carriers.

Potential energy carriers	Condition	Code
Electricity	IF ElectC AND G OR R OR L	ECEI
District heating	IF HeatHC AND L-U OR L-SU	ECDH
District cooling	IF ColdHC AND L-U OR L-SU	ECDC
Hydrogen	IF (Tran OR ElectC) AND G OR R OR L	ECH2
Natural gas	IF (NGpLY OR LNGtY) AND G or R or L	ECNG
Biogas	IF (BiomH OR WasteHC OR WWTHC) AND R OR L	ECBG
Petrol/Diesel	IF (OilRY OR OilDY) AND G OR R OR L	ECPD
Bioethanol	IF (BiomH OR WasteHC) AND G OR R OR L	ECEt
LPG	IF (OilRY OR OilDY) AND G OR R OR L	ECLPG
Biodiesel	IF (BiomH OR WasteHC) AND G OR R OR L	ECBD

3.3.9. STEP-3 Devising scenarios

Third step of RenewIsland/ADEG methodology has four sub steps:

1. Feasibility of technologies (energy conversion, water supply, waste treatment, wastewater technology treatment)
2. Feasibility of technologies for energy, water, waste and wastewater storage
3. Feasibility of integration of flows (cogeneration, trigeneration, polygeneration, etc.)
4. Devising potential scenarios and its evaluation

Table 6. Potential delivering technologies.

Technology	Condition	Code
Electricity conversion system		
WECS (Wind)	IF (ElectM OR ElectH) AND (WindM OR WindH)	WECS
SECS-PV (Solar PV)	IF (ElectL OR ElectM) AND (SolarM OR SolarH)	PV
SECS-Thermal (Solar thermal electricity)	IF (Elect) AND (SolarH)	SECS
HECS (Hydro)	IF (Elect) AND (HydroM OR HydroH)	HECS
GECS (Geothermal)	IF (ElectM OR ElectH) AND (GeothH)	GECS
BECS (Biomass)	IF (ElectM OR ElectH) AND (BiomH)	BECS
DEGS (Diesel engine)	IF (Elect) AND (NGpLY OR LNGtY OR OilRY OR OilDY)	DEGS
CCGT (Combined cycle gas turbine)	IF (ElectH) AND (NGpLY OR LNGtY OR OilRY OR OilDY)	CCGT
FC (Fuel cell)	IF (Elect) AND (H2Fuel)	FC
Heating system		
Solar collectors	IF (Heat) AND (SolarM OR SolarH)	STCo
Geothermal	IF (HeatH) AND (GeothM OR GeothH)	GeTH
Heat pumps	IF (HeatH AND ECEl)	HPHe
Biomass boilers	IF (HeatH) AND (BiomM OR BiomH)	BMBBo
Gas boilers	IF (Heat) AND (NGpLY OR LNGtY OR OilRY or OilDY or WasteG or WWG)	GSBo
Cooling		
Solar absorbers	IF (Cold) AND (SolarH)	SAbs
Heat pumps	IF (ColdH AND ECEl)	HPCo
Gas coolers	IF (ColdH) AND (NGpLY OR LNGtY OR OilRY or OilDY or WasG or WWtG)	GSCo
Electricity coolers	IF (ColdH AND ECEl)	ELCo
Fuel		
Hydrogen	IF (Tran) AND (ECH2)	H2Fuel
Electricity	IF (Tran) AND (ECEl)	ElFuel
Bioethanol	IF (Tran) AND (ECEt)	EthanolFuel
Biodiesel	IF (Tran) AND (ECBD)	BDFuel
LPG	IF (Tran) AND (ECLPG)	LPGFuel
Natural Gas	IF (Tran) AND (ECNG)	NGFuel
Biogas	IF (Tran) AND (ECBG)	BGFuel
Petrol/Diesel	IF (Tran) AND (ECPD)	PDFuel
Water supply		
Water collection	IF (Water) AND (H2OPM OR H2OPH)	WaterC
Water wells	IF (Water) AND (H2OGM OR H2OGH)	WaterW
Desalination	IF (Water) AND (H2OSY)	WaterD
Waste		
Incineration	IF (WasteHC)	WasteI
Gasification	IF (WasteHC)	WasteG
Wastewater treatment		
Gasification	IF (WWTHC)	WWG

3.3.10. Feasibility of technologies - Wind energy - WECS production

The main problem that is in front of power system operators, investors in wind power, banks and energy planers is how to determine and predict, with the acceptable uncertainty or error,

yearly, monthly, hourly and instantaneously wind power production from the field measurements. The power system operators are interested in impacts of wind power on reliability and efficiency of the power system, while investors and owners in wind power plants and banks are more interested on production at a certain location or site. Interest of energy planers will be somewhere in between as usually they need to take care of planning from local to regional and global levels.

The chapter presents results for the vertical wind profile determined by multiple regression and related energy production at measured locations which has been conducted in order to obtain hourly curve of wind production in Croatia. Hourly distribution curve is used in the analysis of scenarios. Detail methodology and measurement data is provided in the Annex D.

The wind in the boundary layer of the atmosphere is very turbulent and no stationary so variation of wind speed is present on all time scales from short periods as milliseconds to longer terms as months, days and years. If the energy planning of the system with integrated energy storage is conducted with longer time steps, hourly distribution of wind speed and possible average hourly electricity production provide enough information while from the perspective of the secure operation of the power system a shorter time intervals must be assessed before connecting the wind power plant to the grid.

For each wind turbine type there are detailed wind power curves so it is easy to determine expected production under given operating regimes. The biggest problem is how to determine the relevant wind speed at certain location and height for each wind turbine and to calculate the uncertainty attached to it. Southern Croatia is very complex terrain with characteristic north wind Bora that makes analysis even more complex. When wind turbines are installed in complex terrain, other parameters influence the power output to a greater or lesser degree - some to a degree that cannot be neglected [102].

Calculating of type of wind height profile and turbulences is very important for many reasons. It also influence turbine hazard framework, their availability and fallout so it is desirable to measure turbulent intensity, turbulence spectrum, turbulence coherence and wind speed distribution (vertical and horizontal wind profiles).

Some important external parameters that influence hourly production of wind turbine are shown in the list:

- Turbulence intensity
- Variability of wind direction

- Scale/spectral content of turbulence
- Vertical shear
- Horizontal shear
- Atmospheric stability
- Precipitation rate
- Yaw error

The energy production is much more sensitive to errors and uncertainties in the wind study than to deviations in the power curve that is why it is so important to focus on correct measurements and follow the standard procedures. Typical uncertainties of a (good) wind study are in the range of 8-12% on the derived energy production, which makes the wind the number one parameter of importance for a project. The uncertainty of power curve measurements, even for flat terrain, is of the order of 6-8% while the statistical variation (the standard deviation) of the power curves for a given type of wind turbine generator is in the range of 2-3%. In other word, the uncertainty in making a power curve verification is several times higher than the variations looked for! [102] Another issue is a relation between the energy production and the power curve (1:1), while the energy production changes with the mean wind speed raised to 3rd power. Therefore, the energy production is much more sensitive to errors and uncertainties in the wind study than to deviations in the power curve [102]. The same authors concluded that uncertainty in wind power curve is in the order 2-3 % and almost certainly not exceed 5% in any case and since the uncertainty in power curve measurements for ideal test sites is of the order of 6-8% and for complex sites more, it is important to make assessment of wind flows over the rotor if turbine shows significant deviations in power curves.

As explained in the Annex D, 5 steps procedure enabled acceptable prediction of power production by wind power plants in Croatia. The calculation has been conducted in order to have better insight of available wind resources and to produce more accurate distribution curves. To calculate hourly production of wind turbines from wind speeds it is necessary to obtain accurate wind turbine power curves. The Ecotecnica 100 has been selected as representative wind turbine that will be installed at all sites as detailed power curves were provided by its producer ALSTOM. The turbine may come with different heights of tower and 110 m tall tower has been selected for calculations. The height of tower is site specific and it depends on wind site class, turbulences, wind share and vertical wind profiles, access roads, economy but in all calculations it was assumed that same turbine type will be installed.

Geographical distribution of planned wind farms in Croatia is given in the registry of wind projects at the MINGORP. It shows that the majority of proposed sites fit to the area of measurement locations so results of power production prediction could very well represent the production of all wind turbines in Dalmatia and most probably the whole Croatia.

To calculate energy production of wind turbine from probability distribution function of wind speed is explained by [113].

Instead of using probability distribution function explained in Annex D which will not bring the necessary information for the storage needs as explained in [2] the same principle of H₂RES model has been used to calculate of energy production of wind turbines at 10 minute level and then mean hourly production. Applying similar methodology calculated production from 10 min or hourly intervals could be additionally validated.

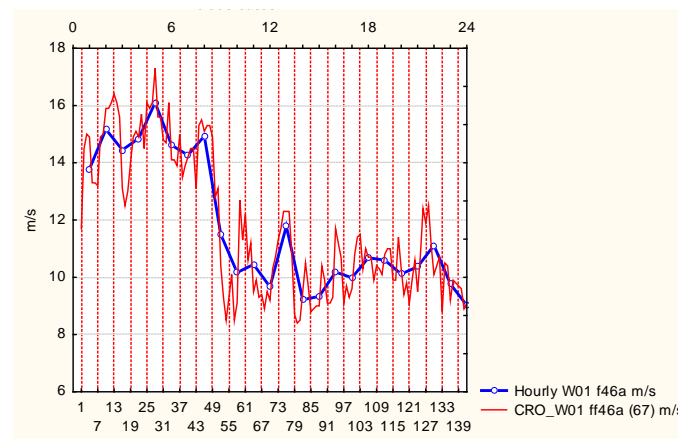


Figure 20. Mean wind speed measured for 10min intervals and calculated speed for average hourly intervals. Data represents the first day in 2008.

Variability of predicted wind production and the mean monthly wind power calculated from hourly values are presented on Figure 21. The results show that November-April energy production (or the average power in 10 min period) will be much higher than summer autumn which could also help integration of wind energy in power system as the most of heating in households during winter in Dalmatia region is based on thermoaccumulation electric furnaces and heat pumps.

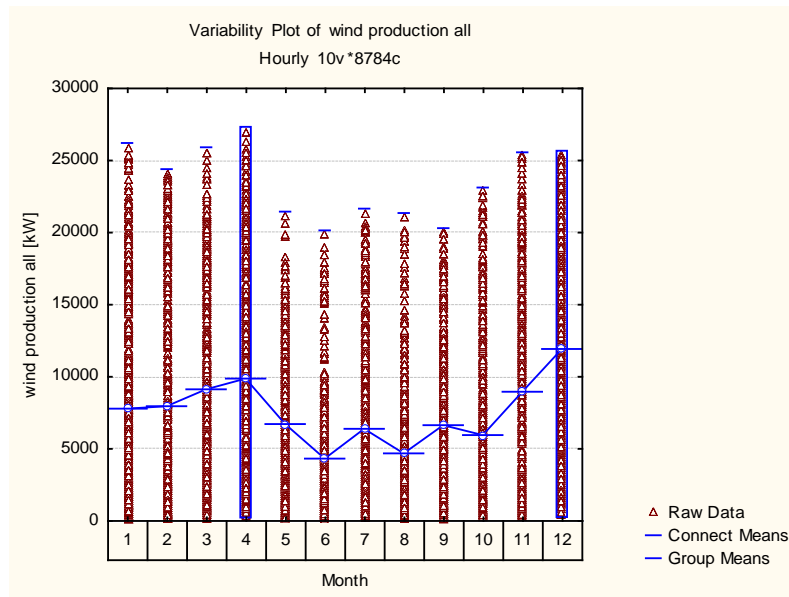


Figure 21. Mean monthly wind power calculated from hourly values.

To validate prediction of hourly power production of wind power plants from the field measurements in the Southern Croatia, results have been compared to two other analysis, real production of all wind power plants in Denmark in 2008 and wind production for Croatia [58] calculated by H₂RES model and METEONORM data. As it is showed on Figure 22.

Due to their similarity to real production it could also be concluded that prediction of wind speed from measured data and use of regression formula from Annex D and by use of precise power curves for different air density, it is possible to predict production of wind power plants that better reflects possible real production which automatically influence the uncertainty of further analysis.

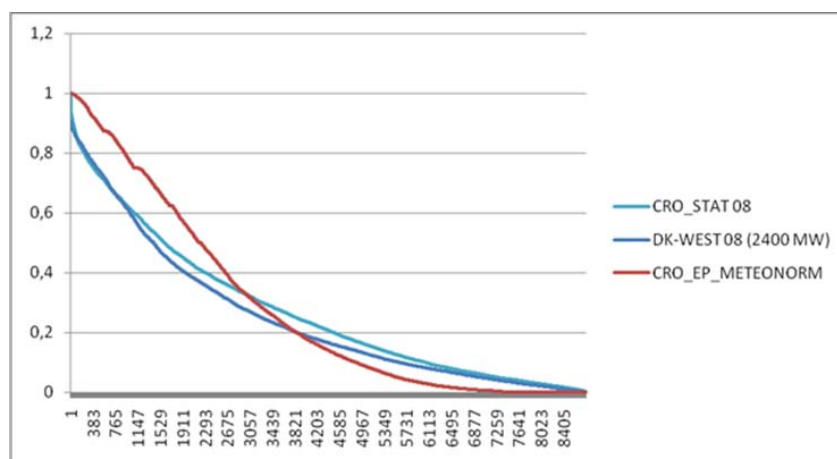


Figure 22. Comparison of sorted hourly energy production from all wind turbines as share of total installed capacity.

3.3.11. Conclusion on WECS production

The chapter addressed a problem how to determine and predict, with the acceptable uncertainty or error, yearly, monthly, hourly and instantaneously power production of wind power plants from the field measurements in the Southern Croatia which is the main problem faced by the power system operators, investors in wind power, banks and energy planners. Fortunately there are many sources of various data on energy potential in the certain region but many of them are not properly analysed and valued and thus projects that can insure publicly available data for use of professionals should be widely supported.

Current commercial onshore wind turbines with installed capacity from 1.5 to 3 MW have hub heights from 80-120 meters so to calculate power production from these turbines it is also necessary to have wind speeds at their hub heights. Until now wind measurements were mostly conducted at lower heights and for different heights are calculated by use of the power formula or by logarithmic formulas that includes terrain roughness.

As explained in the Annex D by use of Multiple Regression several formulas have been tested and formula that had best fit for calculation of wind speed at different heights has been selected and tested on several sites. Results show very good potential at few sites with load factors above 34% so additional measurements and validations are required, if proved that vertical wind profile in complex terrain as it is in Croatia could be calculated at higher heights from power law that includes measurement at lower heights. For site assessment and wind turbine construction the rule is that wind should be measured at least at 2/3 of hub height.

The results of measurements and calculated wind production from the island of Brac (location W10 –Annex D) show very good wind potential even on measured heights. In 2004 Croatian government forbid installation of wind turbines on the islands and thus, as it has been shown by current calculations jeopardised sustainable development and security of energy supply on the islands. By utilization of the local source of energy that is coupled with some form of energy storage [28] could lead to 100% RES communities. It will be good to reconsider government decision as new measurements just proved the old hypothesis that wind potential on Croatian islands is very favourable for utilization.

Authors in [114] used wind velocities measured at 32 sites in Croatia, they statistically processed it and made calculations for the Weibull distribution parameters at an elevation of 10 m. They concluded that at time of their calculations wind generators at the best sites in Croatia are close to becoming marginally competitive with fossil-fuel technologies. Similar

results but with more detailed costs calculations are provided in the paper [115] where authors calculated RES Cost–supply curve for 2010 and predicted generation of 755 GWh of electricity by wind with the costs in the range of 4-10 c€/kWh.

If compared to results of study [103] correlation results for wind speeds and wind production between wind measurements sites showed that wind speeds are less similar than in Finland which could lead to easier integration in the system but also brings bigger uncertainty in forecast and power predictions.

3.3.12. Feasibility of storage technologies

Table 7. Feasibility of storage technologies.

Storage technology	Condition	Code
Electricity storage system		
Reversible hydro	IF (WECS AND HECS)	RHECS
Electrolyser + Hydrogen	IF (WECS OR SECS OR PV) AND NOT HECS	ELYH2
Reformer + Hydrogen	IF (ECNG OR ECBG OR ECPD OR ECEt OR ECLPG OR ECBD) AND NOT HECS	REFH2
Batteries	IF (WCES OR SECS OR PV) AND NOT HECS AND NOT ECH2 OR REFH2	BAT
Electric vehicle to grid	IF (WCES OR SECS OR PV) AND ElFuel	V2G
Heat storage		
Heat storage	IF (HeatH)	HeatS
Cold bank	IF (ColdH)	ColdS
Fuel		
Hydrogen	IF H2Fuel	H2stor
Bioethanol	IF EthanolFuel	Ethanolstor
Biodiesel	IF BDFuel	BDstor
LPG	IF LPGFuel	LPGstor
NG	IF NGFuel	NGstor
BG	IF BGFuel	BGstor
Petrol/Diesel	IF PDFuel	PDstor
Synthetic fuel	IF SYNf	SYNFstor
Water, Waste and Wastewater		
Water	IF Water	WaterS
Waste fill	IF Waste	WasteF
Wastewater tanks	IF WWT	WWstor

3.3.13. Devising scenarios - The reference energy system for Croatia

To model possible scenarios the Croatian energy system for 2008 has been reconstructed in the EnergyPLAN model. Energy consumption and supply data have been taken from [63], while hourly load data for Croatian power system have been provided by ENTSO-E [78]. Basic data about power producing units have been obtained from Croatian utility company (HEP) [116] and from [63]. Water distribution data for hourly production of hydro power plants have been reconstructed from the monthly values provided in [78] while the capacities of hydro storage have been calculated by the data [117]. Load curve for the hourly district heating demand was calculated according yearly heat consumption in Croatia [63] and according the patterns of hourly heat demand in Denmark that are provided by EnergyPLAN model. A heat production from a large cogeneration plants and district heating system has been added as a district heating demand, while all industry heat and process steam demand was treated separately, through the energy consumption in industry. EnergyPLAN has ability to provide hourly heat production from industry. Usually this heat is represented according its own distribution under which it supplies excess heat to district heating systems. In the EnergyPLAN there is no possibility to treat separately heat demand in industry sector as all district heating demands are aggregated and represented by the one hourly distribution curve.

A total cross border transmission capacity for electricity exchange is set to 3200 MW as published in [118]. Author in [119] provides value of 3040 MW for the total import capacity for Croatia and 2400 MW for the export capacity to neighbouring countries. For the same capacity Slovenian TSO calculates interconnections from SI to HR to be 1200 MW, instead of 1000 MW that has been published in [119] so 3200 MW was taken as final value for 2008.

Croatian import of electricity varies from 25%-40% of yearly consumption and it is dependent on hydropower production and import prices. Final import quantities and prices are mostly set by bilateral contracts. As there are no obligations to publish those contracts there were no data regarding price of the imported electricity. To replicate similar amount of imported electricity for 2008, under market optimization calculations, hourly distribution of market prices from German spot market published at (EEX) have been adopted by the elasticity given in the EnergyPLAN model and its manual [59].

The market price on the external market, p_x , is calculated by formula:

$$p_x = p_i + (p_i / p_o) * Fac_{depend} * d_{Net-Import} \quad (10)$$

where p_i is the system market price,

$\text{Fac}_{\text{depend}}$ is the price elasticity (€/MWh/MW),

p_o is the basic price level for price elasticity (input),

$d_{\text{Net-Import}}$ is the trade on the market.

In all calculated cases, the import of 2,986 GWh of electricity from the Nuclear Power Plant (NPP) Krsko in Slovenia, which is under 50% ownership of HEP, is modelled as fixed import/export under the constant distribution taking into account the real outages from 2008. It resulted in almost constant power of 344 MW supplied by NPP.

Reference case calculated by the EnergyPLAN model has been compared to statistical data for Croatia in order to see how well it represents the situation in 2008.

3.3.14. The case of Croatian energy strategy scenario until 2020

The idea behind this scenario was to calculate behaviour of Croatian energy system if it will follow the development plans laid down in the current Croatian Energy Strategy (CES). According the CES, the share of RES in the gross final consumption will be 20% in 2020. This share is divided between three energy vectors and it is planned to have 35% of RES share in electricity consumption, 10% of RES share in transport fuel and 20% RES share in heating and cooling. The 20% goal in terms of final energy consumption is set as 9.1% electricity, 2.2% transport fuel and 8.6% heating and cooling.

As it is mentioned above, one of the goals of the strategy is to satisfy 35% of electricity consumption by renewable energy sources including big hydro power plants in 2020. To fulfil this goal it is expected to add 300 MW of new large hydro power plants, 1200 MW of wind turbines, 85 MW of biomass power plants and 100 MW of small hydro power plants. These RES installation have been inserted in the EnergyPLAN model in the way that one half of planned capacity of new big hydro power was added as the run-off river hydro and other half as the storage hydro. Small hydro has been treated separately but with the same hourly distribution as run-of river.

In 2020 the CES envisages use of 26 PJ of biomass and 9 PJ of biofuels while planned production of biogas from agriculture is 2.6 PJ. Another 6 PJ may come from waste as result of better waste management which could lead to reduction of GHG emission for 1.069 Gg CO₂-eq [120]. Additionally, CES sets goal to install 0.225 m² of solar thermal collector per each Croatian resident (0.225 m²/per capita).

The current power plants in Croatian Energy systems are older (in average) than 35 years and it is envisaged by the CES that 1100 MW will be decommissioned until 2020. In order to have enough production capacities to satisfy the peak load and to provide the necessary reserves, the strategy sets goal to install 1200 MW of new gas power plants and 1200 MW of coal power plants until 2020. Additional 300 MW of new power plants will be installed as CHP units which will partly replace existing ones. After 2020 it is not planned to use oil in the power plants. This was the main reason for separating new units and existing units that will not be decommissioned in two groups in EnergyPLAN model. One group represented by CHP extraction plants, modelled as combination of back pressure and condensing plants and another group with the condensing plants using coal.

Until 2020 it is planned to construct several new natural gas pipelines. One cross border line with Hungary with transport capacity of 860,000 m³/h and new LNG terminal in Omisalj, on the island of Krk, with the capacity of 10-15 Gm³/year. By successful realization of at least one of these two projects, Croatia will ensure enough import capacity for gas that will be supplied to new power plants. Without new import capacity it will be hard to satisfy predicted demand.

According to sustainable scenario presented in CES, projected final energy consumption is 386.84 PJ including energy efficiency measures foreseen to save 22.76 PJ. For the period 2006-2020 predicted increase in consumption is 2.7% yearly. The CES did not take into account recent economical crisis which has also decreased energy consumption. Based on this fact the increase in the gross electricity consumption (without heat pumps, pumping and electric vehicles) used in model has been set to 22.5 TWh. This value gives the same increase in the period 2012-2020 as it was in the period from 2000-2008. Similar, the growth in the transport sector and individual households is set to lower rates than those assumed by the strategy.

3.3.15. 100% independent (self-sufficient) Croatian energy system

Current Croatian natural gas reserves are estimated to 36.4361 Gm³ and with the yearly production at 2.8472 Gm³ theoretically they may be exhausted in less than 13 years. Similar lifetime can be predicted for domestic oil reserves that are estimated to 11.4725 Mm³ and with yearly production at 815,000 tonnes. However, this is just a hypothetical prediction as in a real system the production will fall together with the reserves which means that domestic reserves will last longer but with a lower yearly production rates). Without significant

domestic hard coal reserves, it seems that even in the very near future the Croatian energy system could become 100% independent only if its energy supply will rely 100% on a local renewable energy sources. This scenario will try to identify needs for energy storage and RES units that will enable energy independency.

According [109] the total estimated potential of wood biomass from forestry, industry and agriculture in Croatia is 26 TWh with additional potential of 4 TWh for biofuels production from standard crops. Bigger estimation of the potential for biofuels production of 14.15 TWh with special type of biomass and using the second generation of biofuels is given by authors in [110]. While above numbers are related to the total technical potential of biomass in Croatia more realistic and economically feasible numbers are provided in the paper [111]. The authors estimated 6 TWh/year as the average energy potential of forestry residues, wheat straw and corn stover. In the period after 2020 the most of technical potential for large hydro power plants will be exploited. Only options that may be built are pumped storage and small hydro power plants. There are already identified locations for 200 MW of small hydro power plants in the current national registry of RES projects so additional to capacity envisaged by CES, extra 100 MW has been taken into consideration. There are also certain potential for geothermal power plants and 40 MWe was added in the model as power generating units. Beside hydro power, biomass is renewable energy source with the highest potential in the continental part while wind and solar represent the highest potential for electricity production in the coastline and southern part of Croatia. For a low temperature heat generation, besides traditionally used biomass, solar and geothermal have the highest potential. The economic potential of solar energy for heat production is estimated to be around 50% of the total low temperature heat in 2000 in Croatia, or nearly 12 TWh/annum [109].

After 2020 transport sector is modelled in the way that regular cars on gasoline and diesel will phase out while share of electric and biodiesel vehicles will progressively grow. In the case of 100% independent system it is assumed that a share of 25% of transport sector diesel consumption is used by trucks, busses and other vehicles or 4.75 TWh and additional 5.4 TWh is used by trucks and other heavy vehicles from industry and agriculture. Total diesel consumption is modelled as it was supplied by biofuels. All other road transport or 30 billion/km per year, is assumed to be switched to electric vehicles making in average 10,000 km per year. Batteries are integrated part of electric vehicles and way of their operation (grid charging and eventual discharging) could have large impact on future energy systems. Jet

fuel consumption in this case is increased for 50% to 3 TWh and has not been replaced by any other fuel.

Due to large potential in energy efficiency and not very promising demography growth it was assumed that energy consumption will not increase significantly from the level planed in CES for 2020. The potential for energy savings and energy efficiency is large and maybe the best illustrative example is electricity consumption for a public lighting which was at 440.16 GWh in 2008. Only one ESCO project in the public lighting of the town of Karlovac [121] realized savings of 25% which means that if similar measures are going to be applied in the whole country, approximate savings only for public lightning could reach 110 GWh annually, which is figuratively speaking 10 GWh more than total production of 36.8 MW hydropower plant HE Rijeka in 2008. In the same year households' electricity consumption was 6,711 GWh. In the EU, in average 20% of electricity consumption in households is spend on the lighting so if the same share is applicable to Croatia it accounts for 1,342 GWh. New efficient lightning could reduce this consumption to $1/5^{\text{th}}$ of its original value. Besides the electricity consumption for lightning, households and buildings are in general the largest consumers of heat energy. With the proper insulation achievable savings in Croatia in these sectors are calculated to be at 50 PJ (or almost equal to all heat consumption in the household sector) [122].

3.3.16. Results for the Reference case for 2008

Even there were certain difficulties in obtaining some data that could represent real hourly consumption in 2008, the final numbers have showed that EnergyPLAN model could very well represent the Croatian energy system. Comparison of the gross energy consumption by fuel and electricity export for two different calculations (market and technical optimization) and data from the literature has been presented in the Figure 23.

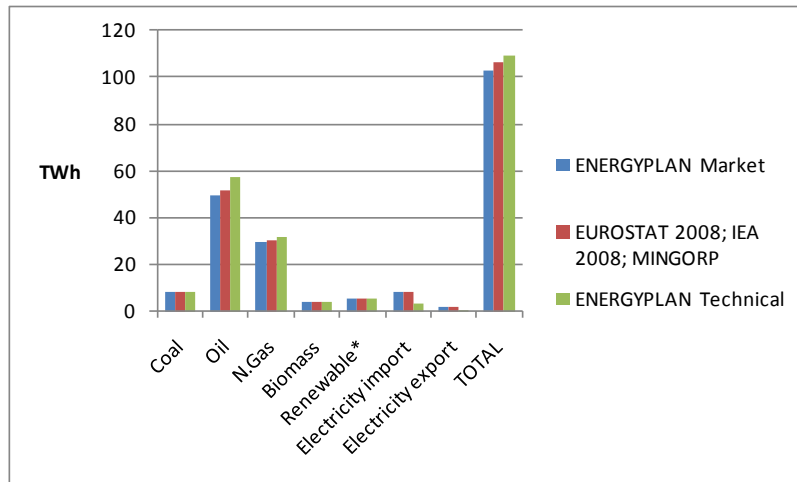


Figure 23. Gross energy consumption by fuel and electricity export in the reference case. (*geothermal heat for hot water and space heating not included).

Gross fuel consumption by sector is given in Figure 24. It shows big differences in energy sector between results of market optimization regulation strategy and literature data on the one side and the technical optimization on the other. This difference is caused by preference of technical optimization to supply demand with local production and not take the import. Thus the market optimization provides more realistic simulation. In EnergyPLAN consumption of energy sector has been divided between the heat and power producers. The energy losses at refineries and gas production facilities and energy consumption of all other industrial energy own producers have been added to the consumption of the industry sector. Energy consumption in agriculture has been also added to the industry sector. Household sector represents energy consumption of households and services sector without their consumption of electricity and district heating, which have been treated separately.

Electricity production by source and import of electricity is given in Figure 25. There were no data in the literature for production of hydro power plants according to their type, so estimated distribution curves have not been compared to real data. As it is previously mentioned, technical optimization tries to avoid import or export and minimize use of fossil fuels in condensing power plants as energy from all other sources is calculated before estimation of PP share.

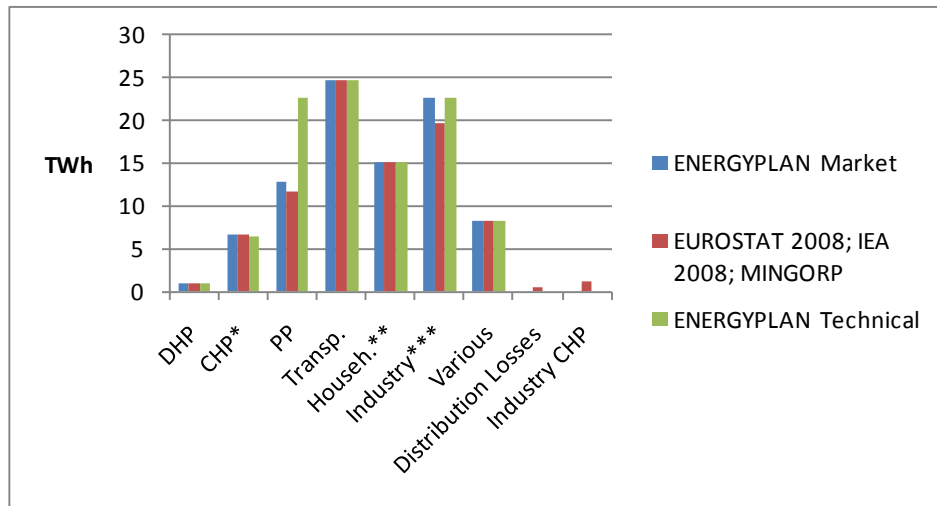


Figure 24. Gross fuel consumption by sector, 2008.((**Includes boiler consumption within CHP plant;
 **Consumption of households plus services without electricity consumption and heat from DH;
 ***Consumption of Industry plus Agriculture plus losses in refineries and gas production facilities)

The analyses are conducted with the following restrictions in order to secure the delivery of ancillary services and achieve grid stability (voltage and frequency). At least 30 per cent of the power (at any hour) must come from power production units capable of supplying ancillary services, such as central PP, CHP, HPP. The distributed generation from RES and small CHP units is not capable of supplying ancillary services necessary for grid stability. Additionally, large CHPs are not able to operate below their minimum load of 110MW, while minimum load for condensing power plants is set to 516MW. In the analyses here, the Croatian energy system is treated as a one point system, i.e. no internal bottlenecks are assumed.

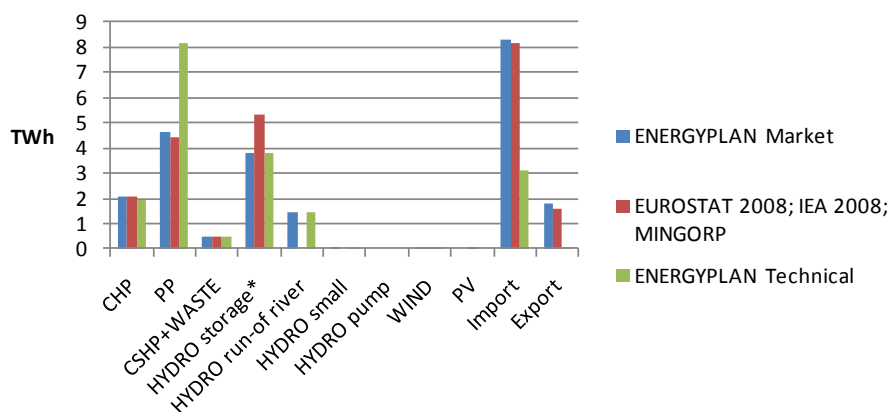


Figure 25. Electricity production by source in the reference case.

In EnergyPLAN it is not possible to automatically calculate uncertainty or error estimate for the use of aggregating distribution curves, storage and production capacities. One should

calculate these values according own developed methodology and check what is the possible error in a treatment of whole energy system as one point.

In general Croatia can be divided in three climate regions, continental, coastline or Mediterranean and mountain. Besides the distribution of population within the certain region, the hourly distribution of energy consumption is also highly dependent on the air temperature. It could be concluded that there are significant differences between stated climate regions and their hourly distribution curves of heat and electricity consumption.

Applied market optimization regulation strategy was conducted with the real fuel prices published in [63] for 2008. All future prices of fuel and investment costs in new technologies have been taken from EnergyPLAN data used in [12], data from [123] and data obtained from Strategic Energy Technology Information System (SETIS) web calculator. Table 8 presents the fuel prices used in calculations for different years.

Table 8. Fuel prices used in calculations.

	FUEL prices [€/GJ]						
Year	Coal	Fuel Oil	Diesel	Petrol/JP	N.gas	LPG	Biomass
2008	2.1	10.76	14.8	16.2	4.87	11.27	2.66
2020	3.76	12.93	17.78	19.5	10.18	13.54	3.26
2030	4.53	17.78	22.02	25.04	12.25	17.60	3.8

Gross final energy consumption, CO₂ and fuel costs for different optimization strategies and literature data are presented in Table 9. Value of CO₂ emissions taken from [63] just represents preliminary data. Official statistics for emissions from energy sector in 2008 have never been published. In 2007, CO₂ emissions in energy sector were 24.7 Mt CO₂ according [9], while EUROSTAT value for 2008 is 22.14 Mt CO₂. This value includes all sectors and excludes international bunkers and LULUCF (Land Use, Land – Use Change and Forestry) emissions. As data for CO₂ emissions obtained by EnergyPLAN calculations fall in range of published data they are considered acceptable.

The CO₂ corrected emissions take into account imported electricity and they have been adjusted according inland production. This means that imported electricity produced the same amount of GHG emissions as if it was produced in Croatia. Looking at a whole picture, importing electricity is not a solution for reducing the GHG emission, as CO₂ is a global problem, so import sometimes just moves the problem across the borders.

Table 9. Gross final energy consumption, CO₂ and fuel costs.

	Market.	MINGORP [63]	Technical
TOTAL ENERGY: ENERGYPLAN [TWh]	96.63	106.09	106.37
TOTAL ENERGY: ENERGYPLAN corrected [TWh]	106.38	106.09	106.44
CO ₂ [Mt]	22.14	20.30*	24.57
CO ₂ corrected [Mt]	25.19		24.77
Total Fuel Costs [M€]	3075		3383
Coal [M€]	62		62
FuelOil [M€]	849		1104
Diesel [M€]	959		959
Petrol/JP [M€]	571		571
N.gas [M€]	597		650
Biomass [M€]	36		36
Marginal operation costs [M€]	43		52
Import [M€]	219		6
Export [M€]	-96		-4
TOTAL (Marginal (imp./Exp.) [M€]	3241		3437

3.3.17. Modelling of scenarios results for the case of 2020 Croatian Energy Strategy

Results for gross energy consumption by fuel and electricity export in the case of CES 2020 for different system optimizations and CES data are presented in Figure 26. The strategy values include data according baseline scenario. The big difference is mostly result of different estimation of energy consumption growth rates as explained in previous chapters.

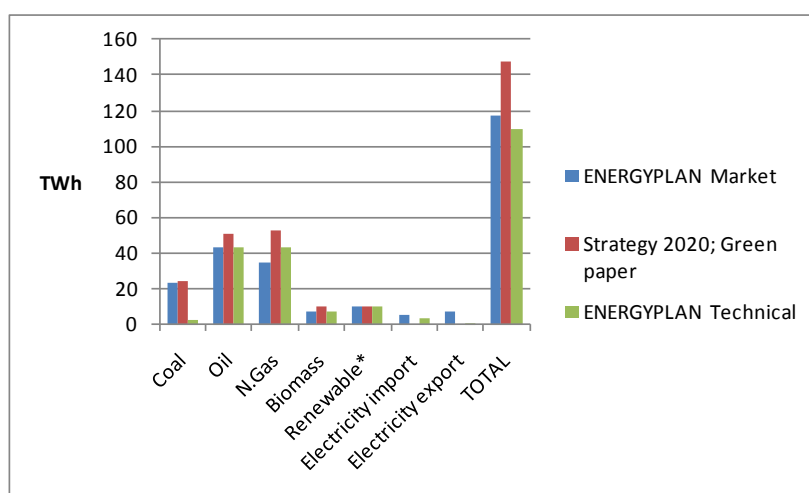


Figure 26. Gross energy consumption by fuel and electricity export in the case of CES 2020. (*geothermal heat for hot water and space heating not included).

In the Green paper [109] estimated use of heat pumps for heating is 18% of useful surface in services and households for 2020. Value used in EnergyPLAN calculations is 2.7 TWh

supplied by heat pumps with COP 3. The related electricity consumption was 0.86 TWh as it was estimated that 0.25 TWh of heat needs in households with heat pumps will be also supplied by solar thermal. Those installations also included the heat storage with capacity equal to two days of average heat demand. Assuming the large grid extensions with the neighbouring countries, maximum import export has been increased to 10000 MW. Modernization of power plants should allow better flexibility of their operation so minimal load of CHP plants was set to 50 MW while minimal load for the power plants that operate in condensing mode was set to 400 MW. Additional 10 GWh thermal storage has been added to large CHP facilities in order to increase their flexibility, while existing pumped storage facilities of 257/282 MW pump/turbine capacity have been put in the function of RES integration. Grid stabilization share was kept at 30% of the hourly load.

Estimated averaged increase in the fuel prices for 2020 (Table 8) from 2008 is 52%. Consequently assumed electricity market prices of EEX have been also increased by 50%. Elasticity was the same as in 2008. A price of CO₂ emission allowances has been set to 20€/tCO₂ and discount rate used for the investment calculation was at 5%.

Gross energy consumption and CO₂ emissions for 2020 are presented in Table 10. By comparing it with the results for 2008 it can be concluded that CO₂ will be reduced only in the case of technical optimization which minimizes use of coal and thus makes investment in 1200 MW of new coal power plants questionable.

Table 10. Gross energy consumption and CO₂ emissions in 2020 (*gross final energy consumption in sustainable scenario).

	EP_Market	Strategy	EP_Tech
TOTAL ENERGY [TWh]	118.86	108.10*	106.78
TOTAL ENERGY corrected [TWh]	109.96	n/a	106.76
CO ₂ [Mt]	26.51	n/a	21.14
CO ₂ corrected [Mt]	24.91	n/a	21.34

Table 11 shows difference in costs between market and technical optimization in the case of CES 2020. Market optimization increases load of coal power plants but even in the market optimization, they operate with a low load factor of 29%. Total gross inland electricity consumption calculated by EnergyPLAN that is taking into account pumping, electric vehicles, heat pumps and extra electric heating was 23.68 TWh for the case of the market optimization for 2020. With the export of 6.77 TWh it could represent total inland electricity production of 30.45 TWh. The gross inland consumption according the CES 2020 is assumed

to 29.94 TWh. As there is fixed yearly import of 2.99 TWh from NPP Krsko that will probably continue for the next three decades, there is only additional 3.78 TWh that could be produced by coal power plants. Even if the load will increase by the double growth rates than in period 2003-2008 and by neglecting all additional import, planned coal power plants could reach load factors of 70%. This will certainly not ensure adequate return on invested capital to investors so construction of 1200 MW of coal power plants as foreseen in strategy should be definitely reconsidered before making the final investment decision.

Table 11. Cost of CES 2020 case for different model optimizations.

	Market opt.	Technical opt.
Total CO ₂ emission costs [M€]	530	423
Total variable costs [M€]	4516	4629
Fixed operation costs [M€]	223	223
Annual Investment costs [M€]	573	573
TOTAL ANNUAL COSTS [M€]	5312	5425

The needs of introducing integration technologies necessary to achieve 100% independent energy system after the 2020 has been analysed by varying the amount of wind energy in the electricity system. In this study installed wind power generation is varied from 17 MW to 7000 MW that corresponds to electricity generation from 0.04 TWh to 16.69 TWh.

EnergyPLAN calculations showed rough requirements for allocation options for increased wind production in the case of market optimization in interconnected system and technical optimization in independent (closed) system without interconnections with neighbouring countries. It could be concluded that in open system, with organized spot market, there will be no problems to install 2000 MW of wind turbines, under condition that new condensing power plants envisaged by the strategy will allow flexible operation with minimal load at 400 MW while CHP units should allow minimum operation at 50MW with 10 GWh of thermal storage capacity. Detailed analysis for independent (closed) system is provided in the following two chapters.

3.3.18. The way towards 100% independent energy system

The goal behind calculating 100% independent energy system is not to finally operate it as standalone mode but to make it more sustainable and to insure certain security of energy supply and independency. A system that does not depend on energy import/export can achieve better deals on the market. As energy systems are planned for the period 20-40 years the most important step is to determine future energy needs and demands, which in the case of

the independent and sustainable energy system should be satisfied by locally available resources. This will also require detailed analysis of available resources and their potential. It is mentioned in Chapter 2.5 that biomass and biofuel potential for Croatia are estimated to 30 TWh but to fully exploit this potential, in the optimal way, its exploitation has to be properly managed. Management of biomass resource could be done as explained by [124] where authors used regional energy clustering algorithm for analysing the energy surpluses and deficits from well defined zones in a region in order to form energy supply chain clusters and optimize use of biomass according minimum total carbon footprint and reduced waste of energy. Similarly the other resources should be managed by use of proper modelling tools and following proper methodologies. When needs and potentials are known, one of the most challenging tasks is to see what technologies could match demands by utilization of available resources. This analysis should cover the current status of foreseen technologies but also their status in the future. Here, all alternatives should be stated and compared by objective technical, economic, environmental and social parameters. Finally, according evaluation results decision makers could chose the most sustainable and acceptable alternatives and consequently propose appropriate strategies to realize the plans. This means that the case of 100% independent Croatian energy system, calculated by the EnergyPLAN model, represents only a part of possible alternatives as it mostly takes into account current and market mature, technologies (except electric vehicles). This technologies can be used immediately and their price will not significantly decrease over the time due to learning effects (except maybe the PV technology).

To reach independent energy system, firstly all hydropower technical potential has been utilized, then all biomass potential has been allocated for the consumption in different sectors, adequate share of solar thermal heating has been introduced together with proper heat storages. Similarly, heat pumps with appropriate heat storages have been added to replace traditional boiler heating. After the introduction of electric cars and related electricity demand wind capacity has been increased up to 7,000 MW while related CEEP has been reduced by installation of PHS system or additional heat pumps and heat storages. The additional need for extra energy has been satisfied by increasing of PV installations.

When the reduction of CEEP by adding of new storage capacity became inefficient the CEEP reduction has been made by operational regulation: by reducing RES production, by reducing CHP and replacing it by boiler, and by replacing boiler heat production with electric heating.

Electricity production by source in the case of 100% independent system is presented in Figure 27. What is specific is that under technical optimization load of the condensing power plants has been almost zero. This was possible under assumption that PP and CHP will allow full operational flexibility or put it differently they could be frequently switched off and on which means they can operate without minimal load.

Table 12. Gross energy consumption and CO₂ emissions in 100% RES scenario.

	EP_Market	EP_Tech
TOTAL ENERGY [TWh]	89.91	80.22
TOTAL ENERGY corrected [TWh]	73.23	80.22
CO ₂ [Mt]	5.45	4.372
CO ₂ corrected [Mt]	3.41	4.372

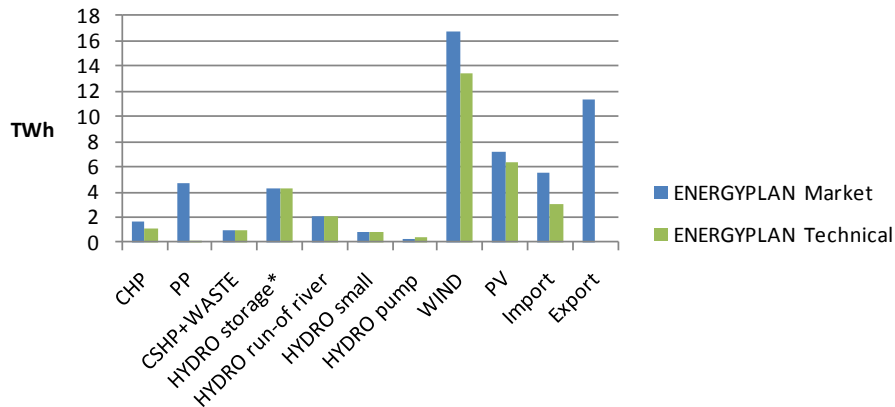


Figure 27. Electricity production by source in the case of 100% independent system.

Table 12 and Table 13 present gross energy consumption, CO₂ emissions and costs of different optimization strategies in scenario towards 100% RES system. Technical optimization gives lower costs as in market optimization electricity is also produced for trade on external market.

Table 13. Cost of 100% independent energy system for different model optimizations.

	Market opt.	Technical opt.
Total CO ₂ emission costs [M€]	109	87
Total variable costs [M€]	1522	1355
Fixed operation costs [M€]	556	568
Annual Investment costs [M€]	2577	2605
TOTAL ANNUAL COSTS [M€]	4655	4528

3.3.19. Role of Smart Storage in increase of RES penetration in Croatia

Due to smart use of energy storage as source of flexibility in the system that can help integration of renewable but also demand side management, Croatia could reach high penetration of RES or 78.4% in the gross final energy consumption and decrease energy dependence from predicted 70% to almost 20%.

The most widespread storage technology used in the power system is pumped storage hydro with more than 127 GW of installed capacity worldwide [125]. As it is presented on Figure 28, Figure 29 and Figure 30 after installed 2000 MW and 350 GWh its contribution to further integration of wind energy is rather small. Figure 31 represents calculated total yearly costs for different PHS capacities. These costs include annul CO₂ emission costs, total variable and fixed operation costs and annual investment costs.

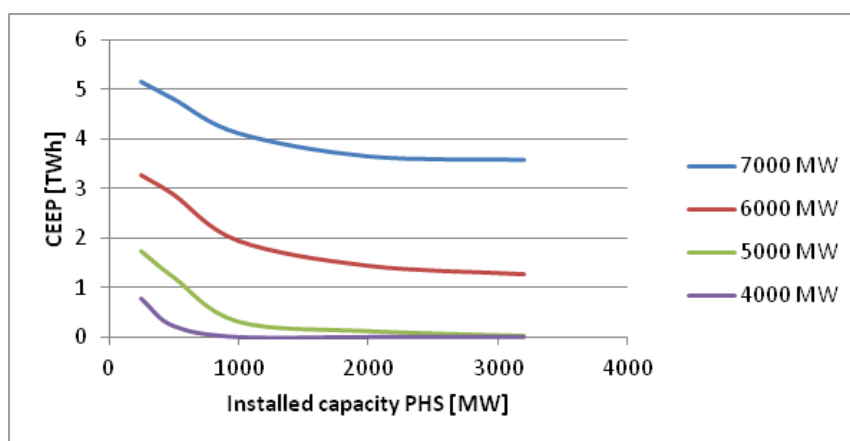


Figure 28. Reduction of critical excess electricity production for different installed wind power capacities and pumped storage capacities (Legend shows installed wind capacity).

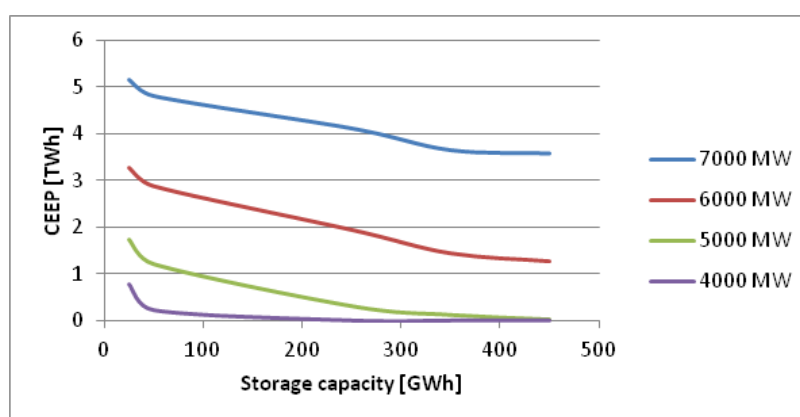


Figure 29. Reduction of critical excess electricity production for different installed wind power capacities and storage capacities of PHS. (Legend shows installed wind capacity).

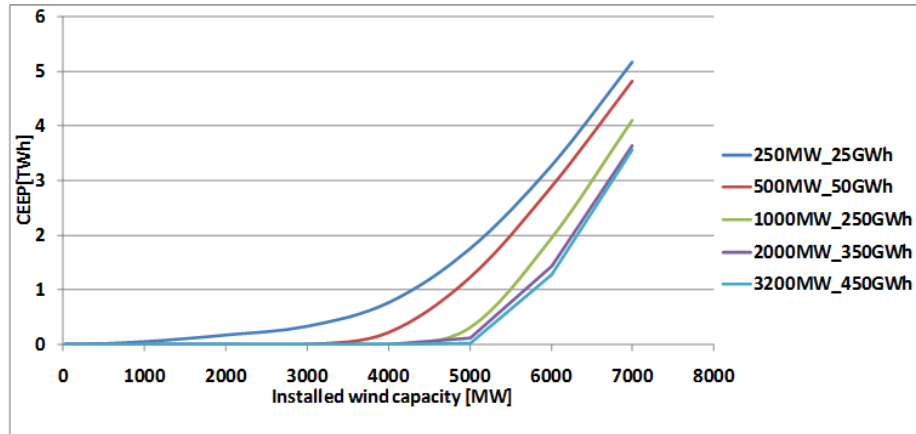


Figure 30. Increasing wind integration by different PHS capacities. (Legend shows installed capacity of pumps/turbines and PHS related storage).

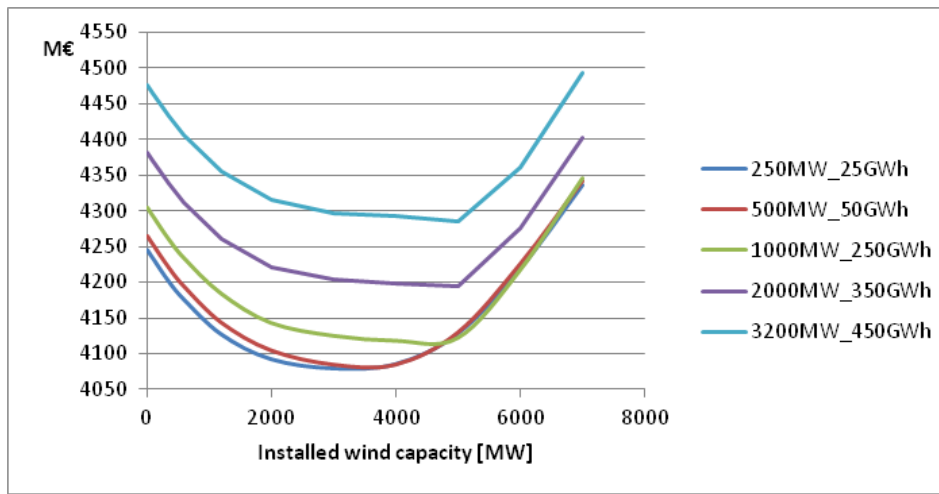


Figure 31. Calculated total yearly costs for different PHS capacities. (Legend shows installed capacity of pumps/turbines and PHS related storage).

Figure 32 shows results for the reduction of critical excess electricity production under different consumption of heat pumps in household and services sector and Figure 33 presents total yearly costs for the same case.

Energy storage technologies as PHS, decrease CEEP and in the same time increase RES penetration, similar is achieved by V2G. Heat storage and heat pumps represent technologies that could be integrated with other energy flows so they decreases the CEEP but under some other circumstances they also increase peak load which may ask for the installation of new production capacities. The construction of new capacities is not desirable in the systems with limited resources. Additional reduction of peak power could be achieved by the application of different operation strategies used for charging and discharging the batteries in V2G (Figure 34 and Figure 35) or by the larger thermal storages which operation is optimized to reduce the peak power load.

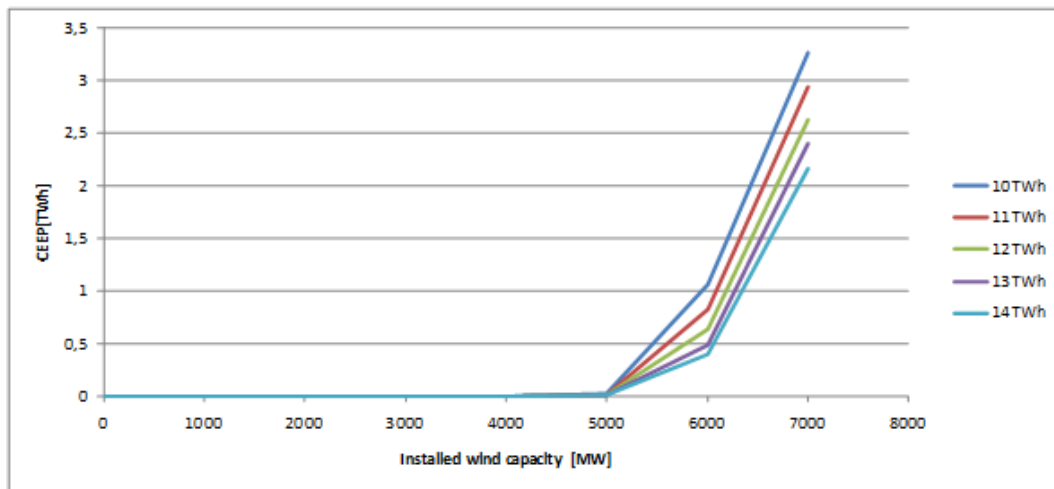


Figure 32. Reduction of CEEP for different consumption of heat pumps in household and services sector.

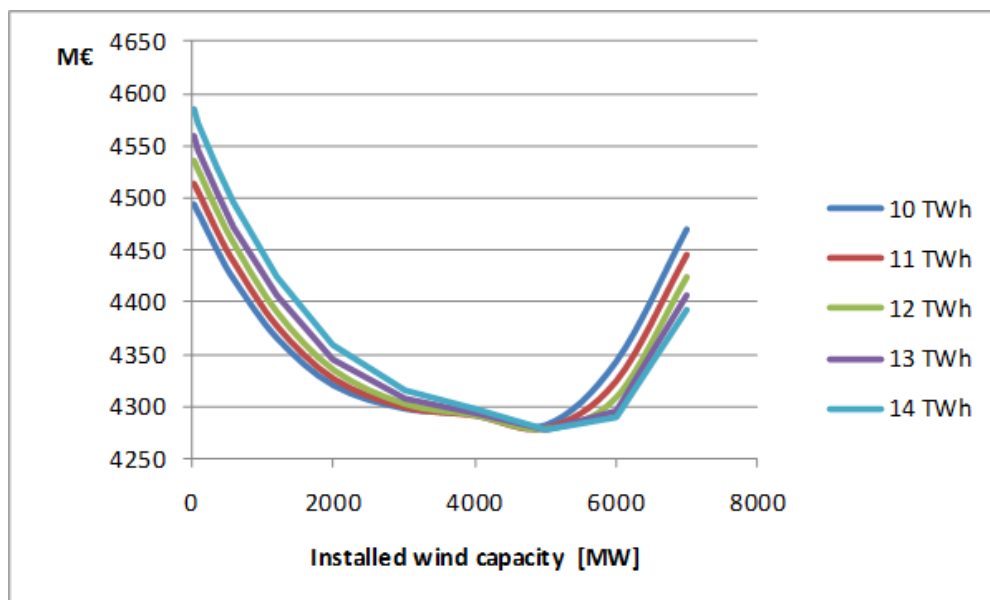


Figure 33. Calculated total costs for different consumption of heat pumps in household and services sector.

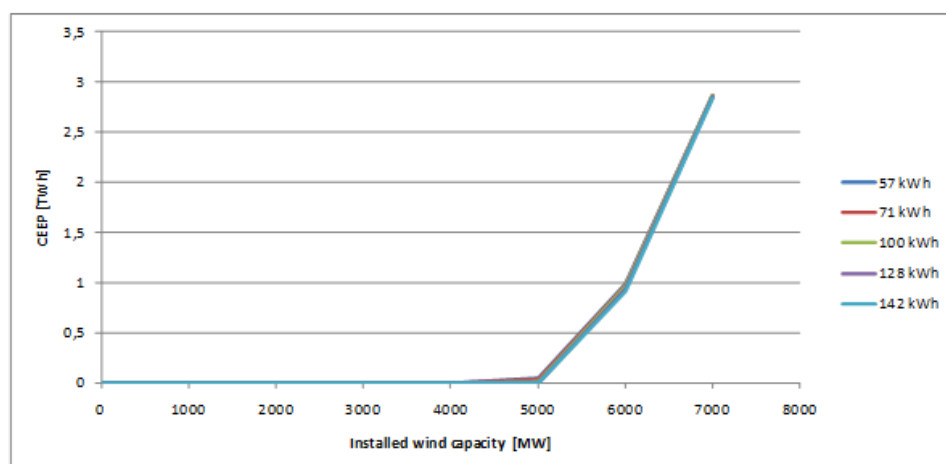


Figure 34. Reduction of CEEP for different sizes of batteries in electric vehicles.

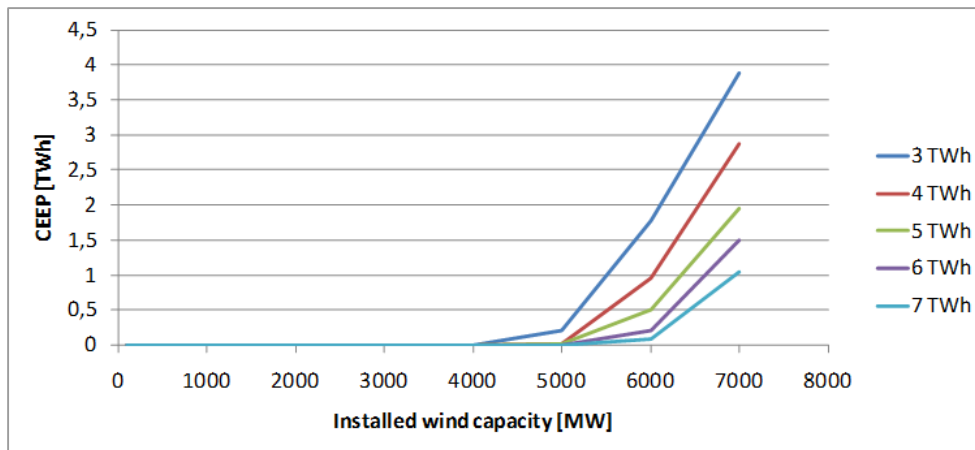


Figure 35. Reduction of CEEP for different electricity consumption of electric vehicles (in TWh).

3.3.20. Role of Smart Storage in reduction of CO₂ emissions

Use of RES in combination with the energy storage can reduce CO₂ emissions in Croatia by 82% or 20 Mt of CO₂ Figure 36. According CES 2020 reduction of emissions after 2020 is planned through development and installation of additional nuclear power plant. While this option will need further clarifications until the final decision for its construction will be made. It should be also known that nuclear power plants represent the most inflexible power source used to supply only base load. If it is planned to significantly increase RES penetration in combination with nuclear power plant, it will be very difficult without large interconnection capacities and large application of energy storages. Thus energy storages could be promoted and installed before any other option, RES or nuclear, as they support all of them and bring additional benefits regardless the installed power source.

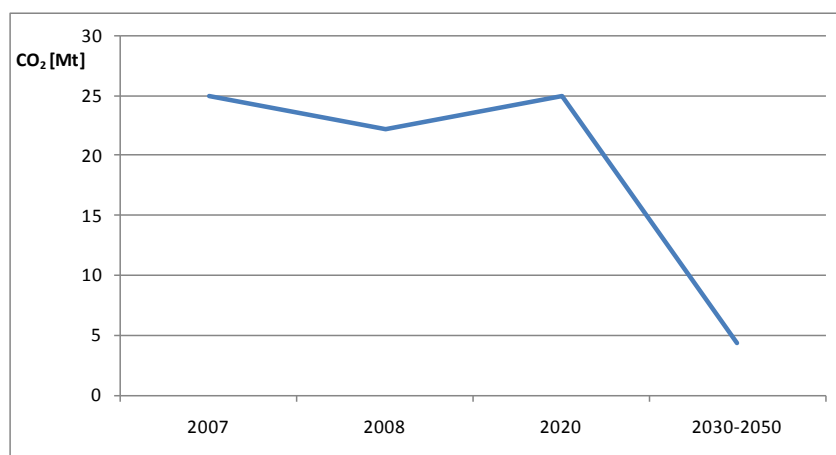


Figure 36. Estimated CO₂ emissions in Croatia (2007 data from [2] , 2008, 2020, 2030-2050 EnergyPLAN calculations).

3.3.21. Modelling and evaluation of scenario 100% RES system for Croatia

The calculations in the scenario towards 100% independent system showed that high share of energy independency can be reached by use of currently available technology but to reach 100% energy independent system based on 100% RES supply it is necessary to introduce the assumptions towards development of the future technology and its costs as well as system operation (of course that it is possible to use constraints of current systems and technologies for the system calculated for 2050 but not taking into account the learning curves and progress in development of technology could cause bigger misleading than when a certain assumptions are introduced).

In the analysis of 100% RES scenario, Croatian power system has been treated as closed without any possibility to exchange electricity with neighbouring countries (this certainly will not be the case in 2050 but it was necessary to limit the export in order to assess the independent operation of system). By this assumption 10 GW of import/export capacity were removed so 11.35 TWh of exported excess and import of 2.51 TWh from the nuclear power plant should be regulated and replaced by other sources. Most probably Croatia will run out of own resources of natural gas until 2050 so it was necessary to find replacement for the 5.29 TWh of N. Gas as a fuel in PP. 15.52 TWh of fossil fuels consumption in industry sector as well as consumption of 3 TWh of transport JET fuel should be replaced by non-fossil fuels that could be produced locally. Every branch of industry sector has its own needs for heating and cooling at different temperature levels and it uses fossil fuels for different purposes. For supplying these needs with available or future technologies detailed assessment of demand should be made. In 100% RES calculations it is assumed that energy for industry sector and JET fuels in 2050 will use the synthetic fuels or hydrogen.

According to the mapped resources Table 4 and converting technologies Table 6, hydropower resource has high potential on the regional and local levels and medium on the global level due to seasonal character of resource and in general where flows are high there are not so much height differences and vice versa. Until year 2000 around 50% of technical hydro potential in Croatia were utilized but technical potential does not mean that some location is economical or environmentally suitable for utilization. Assuming that all hydropower with acceptable environmental impact has been utilized until 2050, no new installations except PHS units will be envisaged in this scenario. Looking on the yearly, and monthly production the hydropower is the most variable RES source in Croatia as its production varied in the

period 1998-2011 from -27% to +40% from an average yearly production in that period. On the other hand hydropower plants are the most flexible and controllable source with possibility to store large amounts of energy and thus they can ensure certain amount of system stability and security of supply. The flexibility of resources and related technologies is assessed in the chapter 3.6.

Biomass has been marked high on all levels and in the scenario towards 100% energy independent system 30.66 TWh of biomass (including biofuels) has been utilized on yearly base which is 1.36 TWh even more than technical potential of biomass and biofuels production stated in the Green book [109]. Biomass is very labour intensive sector and with current status of urbanization and unemployment rate in Croatia, the biomass and biofuels seem as a good option but sustainability of their production, land occupation and available working force, urbanization and depopulation in 2050 could lead to decreased use of biomass and thus the wind and solar are stressed as the most important sources for electricity production in 100% RES scenario for 2050. This assumption is based on the estimation that wind turbine size for on shore and off-shore applications will keep increasing by a current rates so the capacity of planned current projects applied in the RES registry is doubled or set to 13,350 MW. This resulted in production of 31.82 TWh of electricity. For solar PV installations further improvement in efficiency is expected as well as price reduction. The installed capacity has been increased to 12,000 MW or corresponding production of 19.2 TWh yearly, which is close to the current gross electricity consumption in Croatia. Capacity of geothermal power plants has not been increased while use of geothermal energy is envisaged in combination with heat pumps. Biomass use has been reduced to 23.56 TWh of which 10.90 TWh was in biofuels for use in heavy transport trucks, 6.74 TWh will be used in the industry and only 0.95 TWh in households. The electricity from waste incineration has been left at 1.67 TWh. Large share of heating has been satisfied by solar thermal energy in total 9.29 TWh. If assumed that average efficiency of solar thermal collectors is 50%, with average solar radiation at global level and decrees of population, the installed surface of solar thermal collectors will correspond to 3.76 m²/capita which is 3.5-4 times bigger than current per capita installations in the most suitable countries. The other part of heating and cooling energy will be satisfied in greater measure by heat pumps 2.15 TWh in the district heating and 9.04 TWh of final heat consumption in households. The COP of heat pumps is set to 3.5 and it was possible to satisfy 70% of hourly heat demand from HP as a proxy for restriction of HP to supply high temperature heat demand. Heat storages in district heating CHP units have size

of 15 GWh and 30 GWh and they are located in the group 2 (small CHP) and group 3 (large CHP). To produce fuels for the needs of industry (synthetic or H₂) it was necessary to introduce large amounts of electrolyzers or 2650 MW. Still the system was not in balance so additional power of PHS system has been increased to insure system stability. As total electricity consumption crossover 60 TWh which means if the system will be operated with current technology high losses in transmission and distribution could be expected thus it will be better to manage system locally (consumption and production), by electric vehicles, batteries or H₂.

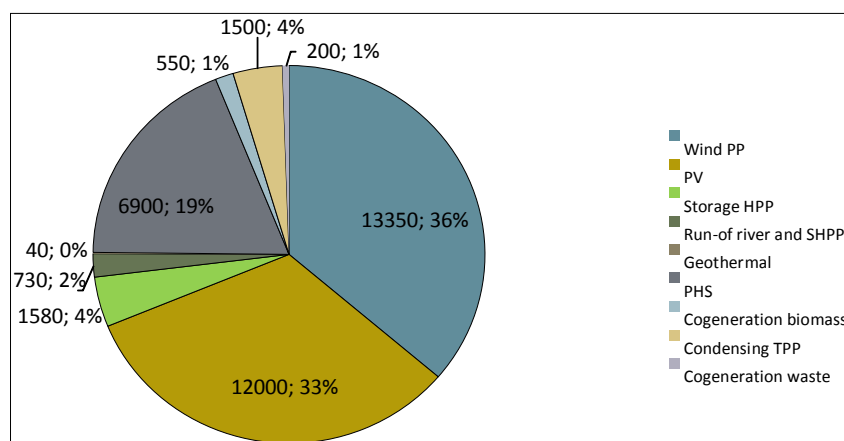


Figure 37. Installed capacity in MW and their share of total installed capacity in the case 100% RES Croatia.

3.3.22. Conclusion on 100% RES Croatia

New approach in planning of Croatian energy system with significant emphasis on integration of RES energy by use of different energy storage technologies and system regulation strategies. It presents results of planning of 100% independent energy system as just one of possible alternatives of development of Croatian energy system. Before 2050 total energy independency has not been achieved due to different needs for fossil fuels in various sectors but still the results are very promising regarding CO₂ emission reduction and utilization of RES.

Pumped storage hydro, heat storage and heat pumps, batteries and electrical vehicles are not the most advanced technologies, they have been used almost for a century but what make them smart is their use as support of post carbon society or more precisely their use for RES integration and support of distributed energy production and management. As current trends in R&D show that storage technologies will play important role in future energy systems, their use and installation and further R&D must be supported by all stakeholders involved in planning and operation of an energy system.

By calculations in EnergyPLAN model it was proved that it will be hard to reach total energy independence but still RES share reached 78.4% in gross final energy consumption and CO₂ emissions was reduced significantly for 20 Mt. A 100% RES system for 2050 was calculated by taking sever assumptions on future development of energy systems and RES and storage technology. It was not the aim to recommend the precise optimal solutions for integration of RES in this case. However, the aim was to provide information on which technologies are fuel efficient and able to integrate RES and which approximate capacities of storages and other energy technologies are relevant and could present alternatives for further energy planning.

Croatia could reach significant level of energy independence by application of commercial technologies that are present on the market. To achieve 100% independent or 100% RES system detailed planning of all economy sectors should be conducted in order to restrict the uncertainties introduced by assumptions on technology and system development.

Before any new big installation, one must consider possible energy savings in current systems as they are the most cost efficient way for decreasing consumption and thus avoiding needs for extra capacities. Energy efficiency can restrain consumption and decouple economic growth from growth of energy consumption as it basically creates growth on reduction of energy consumption. It is important in energy system planning to consider all adequate technologies and to plan their behaviour not just under current conditions but also in future energy systems. Thus storage technologies could also play important role in developing of Smart grids and Virtual power plants.

Another very important issue to consider in the planning of sustainable and independent energy systems is flexible operation of new power plants. From conducted calculations in EnergyPLAN it could be concluded that, if Croatian power system will operate as an open system, with organized spot market, there will be no problems to install and operate 2000 MW of wind turbines under condition that new condensing power plants envisaged by the strategy will allow flexible operation with minimal load at 400 MW while CHP units should allow minimum operation at 50MW with 10 GWh of thermal storage capacity. PHS can also contribute to RES integration but it was showed that after installed 2000 MW and 350 GWh of PHS storage capacity its contribution to further integration of wind energy is rather small. Results also shows that 10% of total electricity demand could be covered by wind energy without any significant change in current system.

3.4. Energy Independence Index - EII

Energy independent systems are those which can independently operate for certain period of time. In this period all energy needs are satisfied by their own sources (resources). Another interpretation of Energy Independence Index EII can be done through analysis of the primary energy demand and its supply from own resources (usually stated and measured as energy dependency). In 100% RES systems EII is directly linked to RES and storage and thus Directive 2009/28/EC could be base to determine the EII. Since the Directive does not recognize the full role of energy storage as discussed in the Chapter 3.8, EII will be based on the physical balancing of the system in order to provide better picture on the role and possibilities for energy storage.

EII could be defined as RES production divided by the gross final energy consumption

$$EII_{A,FC}^T = \frac{a_{RE}}{b_{FC}} \quad (11)$$

where index T is period of time for measuring independency, it could be year, month, day or hour and it could be written as (year.mm.dd.hh or 2050.12.31.24) if index is describing the energy independence of an hour from 23:00-24:00 on the 31st December 2050 or index just could be written as 2050 if it describes a whole year. Index A is area or level under examination (G-global, R-regional, L-local), FC is the gross final energy consumption (EL-electricity, HC-heating and cooling and TR-transport) and can be calculated as

$$b_{FC} = b_{EL} + b_{HC} + b_{TR} \quad (12)$$

The EII for the electricity sector for Portugal for 2020 according Figure 9 if assumed that there were no export of RES can be written as:

$$EII_{G,EL}^{2020} = 0.808 \quad (13)$$

Energy Independence Index will also allow better statistical overview of the energy system sustainability and needs for energy storage, so to measure it, detailed balance sheets are required as well as distribution curves and energy system modelling results. In the most cases it will have two values, forecasted and achieved. Energy independent system with optimal size of energy storage will have EII equal 1 (or above 1 for the level required for security of supply) on all levels, from global to local and through all measured duration time. For example if global EII on yearly basis (measured by yearly energy balances) and global

level is bigger than 1 but for some shorter time interval (e.g. month) is less than 1, it means that system is exporting, so it is not truly independent, even producing more than needed on yearly base (the export will depend on the capability of importing side to take over the excess production) which means it needs to transfer the export to the time of shortage of local RES production. The time of excess and shortage will define the type of storage as similar as will be defined by level or the sector.

3.5. Integration of energy and resources flows

Renewislands/ADEG methodologies covered the large amount flow integration. New findings and codes are added to the table.

Table 14. Integration of energy and resources flows.

Integration technology	Condition	Code
Combined heat and power	IF (Elect PROPORTIONAL Heat) AND (DEGS OR CCGT OR FC OR BECS OR SECS OR GECS) AND L-U or L-SU	CHP
Combined heat and cold	IF (Heat PROPORTIONAL Cold) AND L-U or L-SU	CHC
Trigeneration	IF (Elect PROPORTIONAL (Heat + Cold)) AND (DEGS OR CCGT OR FC OR BECS OR SECS OR GECS) AND L-U or L-SU	3G-HPC
Combined water and power	IF (HydroM OR HydroH) AND Water AND R OR L	CWP
Combined waste treatment and heat generation	IF (WasteI AND (HeatM OR HeatH)) AND L-U or L-SU	CWTH
Combined waste treatment and power generation	IF (WasteI AND (ElectM OR ElectH)) R OR L	CWTP
Combined waste treatment and heat and power generation	IF (WasteI AND (ElectM OR ElectH) AND Elect PROPORTIONAL Heat) AND R OR L	3G-WTHP
Combined waste treatment and heat, power and cold generation	IF (WasteI AND (ElectM OR ElectH) AND Elect PROPORTIONAL (Heat + Cold)) AND R OR L	4G-WTHPC
Combined waste treatment and bioethanol production	IF (WasteG AND ECeT) AND R OR L	CWTC2H5OH
Combined waste treatment and gas production	IF (WasteG AND ECBG) AND R OR L	CWTGas
Combined wastewater treatment and gas production	IF (WWG AND ECBG)	CWWTGas
Combined power and hydrogen production	IF (WECS OR PV) AND ECH2	CPH2
Combined heat, power and hydrogen production	IF (SECS OR BECS OR GECS) AND ECH2	3G-HPH2
Combined heat, power, cold and hydrogen production	IF (SECS OR BECS OR GECS) AND ECH2	4G-HPCH2
Synthetic fuel	IF (WECS OR PV) AND ELY	SYNF

3.6. Flexibility of Croatian Power System

As it is mentioned in the description of the FAST method, flexible resources exist in four parts of the power system. In the dispatchable power plants, in the installed storage facilities, in the interconnections with other power systems and in the possibility to control and manage demand. The second source is directly linked to storage of electricity while the fourth source could be examined in the lights of the Chapter 3.3. integration of flows and especially storage technologies on the demand side, as cooling thermal energy storage, heat storage but also through production of water by desalination, production of hydrogen or other synthetic fuels so integration of energy flows and storage technologies could significantly help in integration of RES by increasing controllable flexibility on the demand side.

The first step of the FAST methodology is to identify this existing flexibility in the current system. Due to data limitation, the investigation will mostly focus on the one hour base which is important as balancing period in the EnergyPLAN and H₂RES models so results could be comparable with analyses of these systems. The trade of electricity is usually done in the hourly blocks so this period is very interesting for market and organization of dispatching. Other interesting periods for flexibility are from 36 hours to 15 min before electricity consumption.

3.6.1. STEP 1 - Identification of flexible resources in the Croatian power system

Each generation unit in the power system has its own dynamics so it can be calculated or assessed from the operational data. Average values for broad technology types are used to assess the flexibility of Croatian power system.

Dispatchable plants in Croatian power system: Croatian power system is characterized by large amount of hydro power plants that should be able to ramp up or ramp down power very quickly (Table 15).

Share of installed capacity in the coal power plants (steam turbines) forms only 18% of total installed power the rest of the capacity is either fuelled by oil or natural gas. As mentioned before the majority of installed capacities are very old and should be replaced by 2020 so new power plants can drastically increase flexibility of current system if the certain flexibility is prescribed by TSO.

Table 15. Hydropower plants in ownership of HEP [64].

Hydro power plants			
Available power (MW)		Available power (MW)	
Storage plants		Run-of-river	
HPP Zakučac	486	HPP Varaždin	92.5
PHS* Velebit	276/(-240)	HPP Čakovec	77.44
HPP Orlovac	237	HPP Dubrava	77.78
HPP Senj	216	HPP Gojak	55.5
HPP Dubrovnik	216	HPP Rijeka	36
HPP Vinodol	90	HPP Miljacka	24
HPP Kraljevac	46.4	HPP Lešće	42.3
HPP Peruća	60	Small run-of-river	
HPP Dale	40.8	HPP Jaruga	7.2
HPP Sklope	22.5	HPP Golubić	6.54
PHS* Buško Blato	11.7/(-10.2)	HPP Ozalj	5.5
Small storage plants		HPP Krčić	0.3
PHS* Fužina	4.6/(-5.7)		
HPP Zavrle	2		
PHS* Lepenica	0.8/(-1.2)		
HPP Zeleni Vir	1.7		
Total storage HPP	1,711.50		
Total small HPP	28.64		
Total run-of-river	425.06		
TOTAL HPP	2,136.56		

*PHS – pumped storage hydro

In 2010 in Croatian power system, beside capacities stated in Table 15 and

Table 16, there were also installed 4.113 MW of a small run-of-river power plants producing yearly 17.02 GWh, industrial power plants with installed power of 210.15 MW and 1.92 GWh delivered to the grid, small biogas and natural gas CHP 9.399 MW with symbolic production of 17.07 GWh delivered to the grid. All sources possess, in a some degree technical flexibility but their operation will be scheduled by the needs of industrial operations or by maximising of the generation in the case of privileged producers.

By proposing the market incentives some of flexibility will be unlocked as it is in the case of Denmark where small CHP and other small producers with certain dispatching capabilities are participating in the system regulation market.

As mentioned earlier storage hydro power plants should be dispatchable and they should be able to ramp up or ramp down 0-100% of installed capacity in 15 min range. Even run-of-

river hydro plants have small retention/accumulation that can allow certain flexibility if natural inflow of water is lower than projected turbine discharge (as it is desirable to avoid overflow, but in the case of security reasons, overflow can be acceptable so due to their scheduling run-of river power plants will usually have downward ramping capability). The total discharge of water from accumulation for big run-of-river if assumed full discharge is going from 4 to 58 hours. All together there are 2,140.663 MW of hydropower plants which could be dispatched. Even taking conservative assumptions stated in Table 16 regarding flexibility (assumption is made on the basis of the minimum stable load), and without industrial and other privileged producers (except the hydropower plants) total technical flexibility of current power plants could be rounded at 2,908 MW. The net available flexibility depends on other factors and is assessed in the STEP 2.

Table 16. Thermal Power plants in ownership of HEP [64] and assumed flexibility.

Thermal power plants	Available net capacity (MW)	Fuel	assumed 1 hour flexibility of installed capacity
TE Sisak	396	fuel oil / natural gas	40%
TE-TO Zagreb	422	natural gas / fuel oil	40%
TE Rijeka	303	fuel oil	40%
TE Plomin (A)	110	coal	30%
EL-TO Zagreb	90	natural gas / fuel oil	50%
KTE Jertovec	78	natural gas / extra light oil	90%
PTE Osijek	48	natural gas / extra light oil	90%
TE-TO Osijek	42	fuel oil / natural gas	75%
TE Plomin (B)	192	coal	50%
TOTAL	1681		767.3 MW

Storage: Installed capacity of pumped storage hydropower plants in Croatian system is 293.1 MW (including PHS Buško Blato which is in fact located in Bosnia and Herzegovina) for operating in turbine mode and 255.9 MW for operation in pump mode. The PHS in Croatian power system have big natural inflow of water so they also work as storage hydropower plants and they are included in the capacity of HPP.

Interconnection: According to HEP-OPS following interconnection lines are available with neighbouring countries: 10 x 400 kV connections, 8x 220 kV connections and 18 x 110kV connections [126]. In 2008 power of interconnection was 3,200 MW, what was more than yearly peak load of Croatian Power system, since then exchange capacity has been improved

so according the same study [126], total rated power of 400 kV transformers is 4,100 MVA, 220kV transformers 2,120 MVA and 110 kV 4,961 MVA, taking into account that all 400 kV substations, en the most of 220 kV are connected to other power systems import/export capacity should be between 5500-6500 MW. This value is twice the peak load, most probably thermal limits of the cables will allow even higher transports. Very good connection capacities with neighbouring power systems allow significant import, export and transit-transport of electricity trough HV grids which also make RH important interconnector in the region.

Demand side: According other analysis the possible demand measures have value of 5-10% of peak load which means if upper border is assumed that flexibility of demand side is around 320 MW. Croatia currently has two tariffs model for electricity, day and night so consumers utilize opportunity in some extent to move the load to periods with a lower tariff, thermoaccumulation furnaces, washing machines and electric hot water boilers are such examples.

3.6.2. STEP 2 - How much of source is available how much will be needed

There are three basic levels of flexibility connected to the market and its value. Maximal technical flexibility in the system could be reached by cycling baseload and midmerit plants which will hardly be economically efficient so it will usually not happen. Flexible resources available with incentives, financial mechanisms or other fees could stimulate and unlock flexible potential that lays in the system, but usually is not used due to different operational conditions. If properly designed, incentives can enhance building of new storages or start deployment of smart grids and demand management.

Taking into account scheduling of thermal power plants, their age and efficiency by very conservative approach, their flexibility is assumed to be 50% of available, by similar approach for hydropower plants that do not have enough water during the summer while during the winter they must operate at full capacity in order to avoid overflows thus it will be assumed that only 50% of HPP potential is available including PHS. The available flexibility in power plants is 1,454 MW for down and up ramping. Due to specific market conditions exchange capacity is constrained with bilateral contracts, security codes and n-1 rules so flexibility of interconnection is assumed to 3,200 MW (which was existing installed exchange capacity in 2008) and with 320 MW on the demand side the assumed total net available flexibility is 4,794 MW.

3.6.3. STEP 3 - Flexibility needs

Flexibility requirements on the first place come from the side of load and uncertainty in the load forecast and they have been successfully tackled by the system operators. Additional need for flexibility comes from the variable renewable energy sources and forecasting of the output so the net flexibility will be combination of these two. The needs for flexibility have been presented on Figure 38 and Figure 39. The blue line on Figure 38 represents positive or negative change in the system load between two adjacent hours so it could be presented as hourly need for flexibility for change of average load in the hour t and $t-1$. The maximal positive difference was 442 MW while maximal negative difference was -353 MW taking into account the peak load of 3008 MW and minimal system load of 1182 MW in 2008, the flexibility represented 14.7% of peak load for upward change and 11.7 for downward change or 37.4% and 29.9% of minimal load. The red line represents the same flexibility but calculated for the net load with installed 2,400 MW of wind power plants (in this calculation system stability has been disregarded as the maximal flexibility from the difference between load and wind production has been assessed). If the need for flexibility in the wind production alone is assessed then it is in the range 339 MW (almost equal for the upward and downward change) or 14.2% of total installed wind capacity which compared to the peak load is almost the same need, but when the net load is assessed then total flexibility requirements are much higher or 685 MW for upward regulation or 572 MW for downward regulation or 28.6% and 23.9% regarding installed wind capacity. The percentage of flexibility need of net load as percentage of installed wind capacity is decreasing with increasing the wind capacity.

The real flexibility needs will be higher 4-5% due to forecast uncertainties but could be further decreased by geographical distribution of wind power plants.

Figure 39 presents maximal downward and upward ramping of net load in Croatian power system with installed 3600 MW of wind capacity in the time period 1 - 47 hours. The change in the load has been calculated similar to hourly flexibility as the maximal value of change is searched in the period $t-n$ where n is the range of hours from 1-47. As expected the maximal flexibility has been reached in the period 32 – 39 hours with the values -4,160 MW for downward and 4,180 MW for upward change.

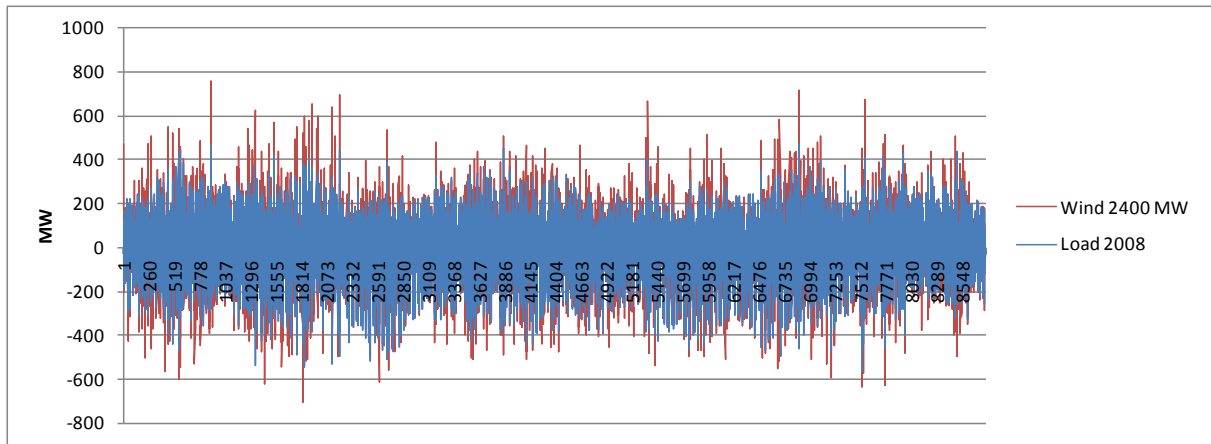


Figure 38. Ramping needs of Croatian power system according the system load from 2008 and calculated wind power production with 2400 MW of installed wind capacity.

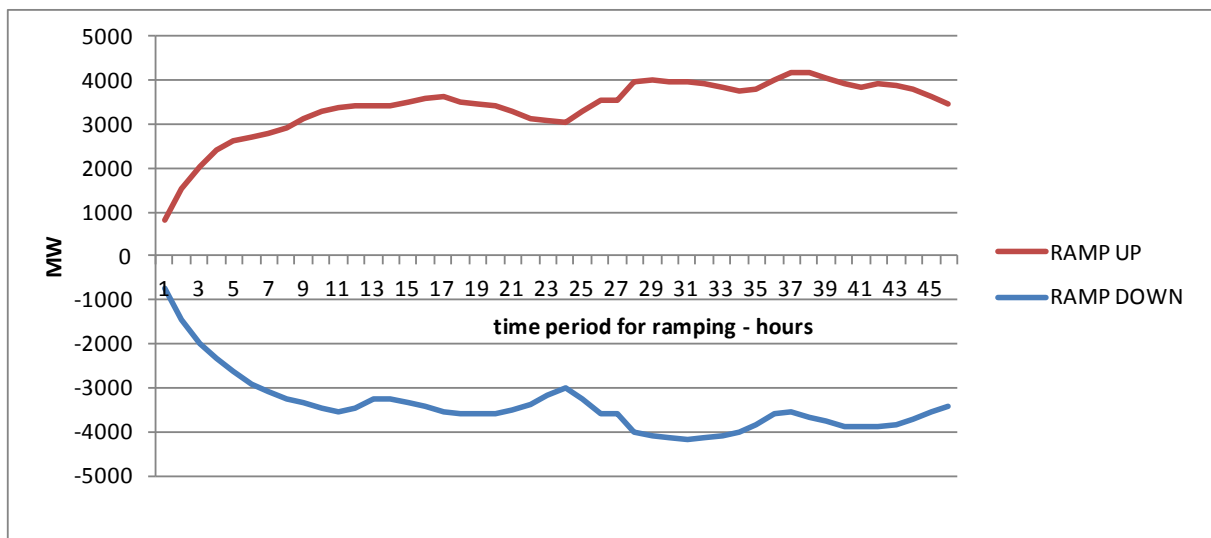


Figure 39. Maximal downward and upward ramping of net load in Croatian power system with installed 3600 MW of wind capacity in the time period 1 - 47 hours.

3.6.4. STEP 4 - Compare needs with available resources

Even working as one point system, the geographical spread of resource is included in aggregating curves of hourly wind production, solar production, heat production and different distribution of loads. By analysing hourly distribution curves H₂RES model and EnergyPLAN provide more detailed comparison of flexibility needs on hourly level in some way more detailed than those explained in FAST method. The models are also capable for calculating the system behaviour in the longer time periods so when flexibility of the system will not be satisfied eg. when calculating closed systems the models will indicate critical excess of electricity production, problems with grid stabilisation or in the open system import/export bottlenecks. Comparing flexibility needs from STEP-3 with assumed available flexible

resources from STEP-2 it could be concluded that, according the FAST method, it is possible to integrate double or triple capacity of the wind power than what is planned by the current energy strategy. Of course that FAST method should be seen as screening method for flexibility assessment so detailed modelling of the system with its real dynamics and under real market environment should be assessed.

3.7. Methodology for planning of 100% RES systems

On the global level Croatia has been assessed by Renewislands/ADEG methodology with a parts adopted to form RESTEP methodology. To show benefits of using EII as a measure of energy independency, EU 2020 goals and indicator for better assessment of RESTEP processes and role of energy storage. The EII could be calculated from the EnergyPLAN calculations for 2008, 2050 and taken from the mandatory target for the share of RES in the gross final consumption in 2020 set by the Croatian energy strategy and Directive 2009/28/EC.

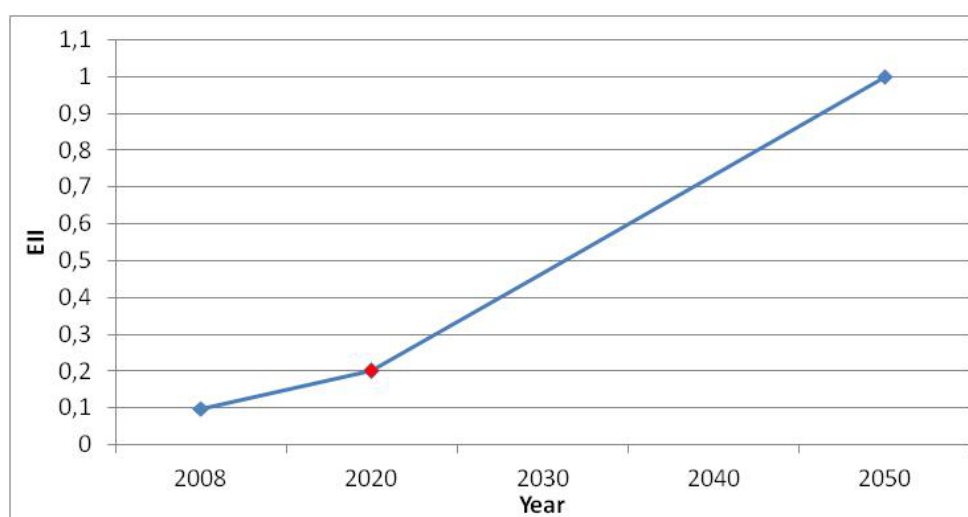


Figure 40. Global EII for Croatia 2008-2050.

The lines connecting points in the diagram on Figure 40 could represent trajectories which some country or energy system will need to follow to reach the goal of 2020 or goal of any other year in the future and eventually to reach energy independence (if it will base all of its supply on the locally available RES so no imports/exports are included but if necessary they can be indicated, export will rise the curve so it will be above EII number while the import will pull down curve so it will fall below EII). As it is said before future EII is calculated from the results of the models that are based on physical characteristic of planned technology or simulation, optimization and balancing models for energy planning, so it describes more

realistic the contribution of energy storage and electric vehicles in energy independency than it is prescribed by the Directive. The EII can also be calculated according the rules of Directive so for electricity consumption the line of EII will fall below realistic one (due to problem discussed in the Chapter 3.8) and for the trajectory for reaching 10% RES share in the transport sector fuel consumption, it will be above the realistic one as it includes the multiplication of RES electricity consumed in the transport by the factor 2.5 and only road and rail transport consumption are taken into account (similar to previous explanation) index based on directive may indicate import and export, so benefits gained by the use of electricity in transport regarding independency could be lost due to import of fossil fuel. The presenting of EII index for any year in the future and linking it by trajectories is only another way for presenting the goals and obligation to the policy makers. The calculation of trajectories to 2020, as well as NREAP that should lead to fulfilment of the National overall targets for the share of energy from renewable sources in gross final consumption of energy in 2020 (are prescribed by the Directive).

The EII is indicative measure and system optimization should be done in adequate models but still EII diagram could bring information on the system behaviour in fulfilment of goals and possible improvements in achieving them. If the planned future consumption is effectively decreased by some energy efficiency measure or deployment of new technology and the planned RES and storage technologies are built then the EII curve will increase slope and move to the left so energy independency will be achieved sooner, similar to that if the consumption will be increased more than planned the curve will decrease slope, move down and achieving of goal will be prolonged. The achieved values of EII above 1 indicate excess or storage larger than necessary (as mention earlier it can be necessary due to security of supply reasons) and if the EII is above one on the all levels and in all final consumption sectors it means that system is able to export RES and contribute to increasing of RES share in other countries (consequently reducing GHG emission if imported energy from RES in these countries replaced the energy from fossil fuels). The amounts of RES above trajectories calculated according Directive will allow to be statistically transferred to the other countries which will mean that even statistically exporting, the real EII of the country will stay the same not jeopardising the way towards and achievement of the energy independent system.

Going back to RESTEP methodology that has been applied on the Croatia on the global level more detailed explanation will be given here in its application on regional and local levels. As explained in the Chapter 2, methodologies Renewislands/ADEG and RESTEP are in

general qualitative not quantitative, they points out better solutions, opportunities for energy storage and integration of flows that should be firstly investigated and further processed by the energy planning models, so the time in planning can be saved as less optimal solutions can be automatically disregarded. FAST method and calculation of EII rely on technical data, results of analysis but still they can be indicative measure in fulfilment of some policy goal and can indicate the future opportunities.

On the example of Dubrovnik region that also includes the Island of Mljet, that has been assessed by Renewislands methodology the comparison of regional and past findings will be presented and combined.

Global level needs: electricity as it is grid connected and it can be easily transferred among the levels and between sectors and it can be stored in many ways (electricity is very favourable energy vector regarding integration of different flows).

Heating and cooling needs may be mapped just in general way on the global level as consequence of the climate conditions while their assessment should be done on the regional and local levels.

Transport can be accessed from global level as transport fuels are being distributed by all means of transportation (sea, road, train, pipelines) to the final costumers but regional/local assessment of distribution can be notified.

From the local point of view Dubrovnik County has only 5 cities (Dubrovnik 43,770 people Korčula 5,889 people, Metković 15,384 people, Opuzen 3,242 people and Ploče 10,834 people). They could be defined as urban/suburban areas, there are also 17 municipalities that could be defined as suburban/rural areas that have 227 settlements, villages and small places could be mostly defined as rural areas.

In 2010 Dubrovnik region had gross electricity consumption of 435,618,219 kWh (area operated by local ODS Elektrojug Dubrovnik without the towns Opuzen, Metković and Ploče) with a peak load almost 90 MW and losses in the electricity distribution equal to 27,418,096 kWh or 6.29%.

The consumption could represent regional level as the amount is taken from transmission grid while distribution losses could indicate the concentration of consumption, in the case of dispersed settlements losses will be much higher.

Table 17. Mapping the needs in Dubrovnik region.

Needs	Level	Geographic distribution			Code
Electricity	High	Concentrated	R/L	U/SU/RU	ElectHC
Heat	High	Concentrated	LM*	U/SU/RU	HeatHC
Cold	High	Concentrated	LH**	U/SU/RU	ColdHC
Transport fuel	High	Short	R/L	U/SU/RU	TranHL
Water	High	Concentrated	R/L	U/SU/RU	WaterHC
Waste treatment	High	Concentrated	R/L	U/SU/RU	WasteHC
Wastewater treatment	High	Concentrated	L	U/SU	WWTHC

*hot water heating

**summer period

Heating needs for space heating are low but still there are several days with a peak demand that are reflected through increased loads in the power system (since most of the heating is supplied by heat pumps or electric heating). The needs for hot water are certainly above average as Dubrovnik region has highly developed tourist sector. During the summer, cooling needs are high as well as hot water needs so integration of these two flows could lead to better efficiencies and will be discussed in Step 3. This mapping applies for all local levels but only urban parts and some more concentrated suburban with specific service sector (hotels, hospitals, food processing industry) will have concentrated demand suitable for integration from central point, while in the rest suburban and rural areas heating and cooling needs should be assessed from the single object as due to thermal losses it will not be cost effective to install central heating or cooling units. This does not mean that there are no possibilities for integration of flows or integration of energy storage in the single object.

The most of the road transport in the region is made in the short distance so its distribution is ensured through regular supply but fuel demand in Dubrovnik is not coming just from the road transport as there is significant share of sea and air transport. Water needs are high especially in the summer months due to tourism but also low precipitation which will cause increased needs for irrigation. Wastewater treatment is concentrated in urban and suburban areas and provides opportunities for energy utilization but since sea is the biggest bioreactor the most of the wastewater is disposed to the sea. If not properly designed this way of treatment can cause severe problems in the tourist season so collection and wastewater treatment is desirable. Similar, waste has been landfilled without any treatment although there is large part of organic component in waste coming from the domestic and service sector that can be utilized for biofuels or biogas production.

Looking on the flexibility needs, the nature of demand will allow certain flexibility. Washing and irrigation as demand side measures in domestic, service and agriculture sectors while space and hot water heating as well as cooling could be made flexible by introduction of energy storage and at the same time they can provide the integration of flows. Due to large impact of tourism, certain activities will be closely related to standardized behaviour of tourists so it will be hard to reschedule the needs related to them which means that extra flexibility will be provided by storage.

Table 18. Mapping the resources of Dubrovnik region.

Resource	Level		Code
Global-Regional-Local primary energy			
Wind	High	RH/LH	WindH
Solar	Medium	RM/LH	SolarM
Hydro (height)	High	RH/LH	HydroHH
Hydro (river flow)	High	RL/LH	HydroRfH
Biomass	Medium	RM/LH	BiomM
Energy import infrastructure			
Grid connection	Weak	RW/LS	GridS
Oil derivatives terminal	Yes	GY/RY/LN	OilDY
Water			
Precipitation	Medium	RM/LM	H2OPH
Ground water	High	RM/LH	H2OGH
Water pipeline	Yes	RY/LY	AquaY
Sea water	Yes	RY/LY	H2OSY

Hydropower is currently the most utilized power source in the Dubrovnik region and it has good height differences but flows are concentrated only on the few points. HPP Dubrovnik has installed capacity of 216 MW and average yearly production of 1,321 GWh which is shared between HEP and company in Bosnia and Herzegovina which operates the hydro reservoirs. In 2009 HEP's share of electricity was 685.7 GWh while in 2010 it was 786 GWh, as mentioned before the reservoirs of HPP Dubrovnik are located in Bosnia and Herzegovina and their capacity is 756 GWh but as located in the another country will not be taken into account as possible storage technology for Dubrovnik region (in this example only the energy independence of administrative region is assessed). The SHPP Zavrelje is located near HPP Dubrovnik and it has average production of 4 GWh but in 2009 the production was above average or 5.9 GWh while in 2010 it reached 9 GWh.

Even it is storage type, HPP Dubrovnik operates almost as baseload plant in order to utilize the maximal potential of water and avoid overflow so its upward flexibility is restrained, as well as downward. There are plans to extend it with two additional turbine and generator sets with a total additional capacity of 200-350 MW which will increase yearly production for 300-400 GWh but what is more important it will increase the flexibility of the power plant

allowing it much better position for trade in the market. In the same time additional flexibility for integration of intermittent RES sources will become available. There are also plans to build another hydropower plant in Durovnik region HPP Ombla with the installed capacity of 68.5 MW and planned yearly production of 223.1 GWh, the HPP Ombla will act as the water reservoir for water supply of Dubrovnik and thus it represents a good integration of energy and water supply. Additional 13.02 MW of SHPP has been applied for construction.

Even having one of the biggest irradiation values, the solar resources have been regionally assessed on medium level due to possible shadowing so high values are achieved on the local levels which means each location should be separately assessed. Currently there are 2 solar PV installations in the region with total power of 20 kW, one is still under construction. Similar there is wind power plant Ponikve that is under construction and once finished it should have installed capacity of 34 MW while there are applied 664 MW of new wind power in the registry of OiERKK. Biomass is locally present and traditionally used in rural regions but the biggest problem is their collection in very harsh environment so it has been marked medium with locally high values.

Even having large hydropower plant the Dubrovnik region has weak connection to other parts of Croatia but still there is strong connection with Bosnia and Herzegovina.

Oil derivatives terminal exists in the region and it is located in the sea port of Ploče.

Water precipitation is on medium level but Dubrovnik region is very close to the region with the highest precipitation value in Europe thus large amounts of ground water exists and they have been utilized. Dubrovnik region is basically coastline region so almost all of its parts are connected to the Adriatic sea.

Table 19. Potential energy carriers.

Potential energy carriers	Condition	Code
Electricity	IF ElectC AND G OR R OR L	ECE1
District heating	IF HeatHC AND L –U OR L-SU	ECDH
District cooling	IF ColdHC AND L –U OR L-SU	ECDC
Hydrogen	IF (Tran OR ElectC) AND G or R or L	ECH2
Petrol/Diesel	IF (OilRY OR OilDY)	ECPD

Electricity is selected as main energy carrier that is present on all levels. As discussed before district heating and district cooling will be applicable in urban and suburban parts that have identified needs. Hydrogen as an energy carrier is suitable for remote parts as it is island of Mljet while Petrol/Diesel will be used in the transport sector.

The most feasible technologies for utilization of local resources have already been used in the region and there are certain plans to build more capacities. By building HPP Ombla, extension of HPP Dubrovnik and building of SHPP envisaged by registry of RES almost all identified hydro potential will be utilized.

By having 500 MW in very flexible source as storage hydropower the regional power system will also be able to accept production of WECS and SECS-PV. The later could be building integrated but also deployed on a large unused non-agricultural land surfaces.

FC as conversion system is applicable locally where hydrogen is selected as energy carrier (e.g. the Island of Mljet).

Table 20. Potential Energy conversion technologies in Dubrovnik region.

Technology	Condition	Code
Electricity conversion system		
WECS (Wind)	IF (ElectM OR ElectH) AND (WindM OR WindH)	WECS
SECS-PV (Solar PV)	IF (ElectL OR ElectM) AND (SolarM OR SolarH)	PV
HECS (Hydro)	IF (Elect) AND (HydroM OR HydroH)	HECS
FC (Fuel cell)	IF (Elect) AND (H2Fuel)	FC
Heating system		
Solar collectors	IF (Heat) AND (SolarM OR SolarH)	STCo
Heat pumps	IF (HeatH AND ECEl)	HPHe
Biomass boilers	IF (HeatH) AND (BiomM OR BiomH)	BMBBo
Cooling		
Heat pumps	IF (ColdH AND ECEl)	HPCo
Electricity coolers	IF (ColdH AND ECEl)	ELCo
Fuel		
Hydrogen	IF (Tran) AND (ECH2)	H2Fuel
Electricity	IF (Tran) AND (ECEl)	ElFuel
Petrol/Diesel	IF (Tran) AND (ECPD)	PDFuel
Water supply		
Water collection	IF (Water) AND (H2OPM OR H2OPH)	WaterC
Water wells	IF (Water) AND (H2OGM OR H2OGH)	WaterW
Desalination	IF (Water) AND (H2OSY)	WaterD
Waste		
Incineration	IF (WasteHC)	WasteI
Gasification	IF (WasteHC)	WasteG
Wastewater treatment		
Gasification	IF (WWTHC)	WWG

Heat pumps are proposed solutions for both heating and cooling and thus they represent technology that can integrate these two different energy flows. This situation can be described on simple example in households where certain space is cooled during the summer by air conditioner (heat is evacuated to open air) while in the same time the hot water is heated by electrical boiler or similar. By heating water with evacuated heat from the room air better efficiency of cooling process can be achieved and overall energy consumption can be

reduced. This simple example also points out that in certain systems maybe it will be beneficial to install SECS-PV on the roof in combination with heat pump for heating and cooling then to install separated solar thermal for hot water and heat pump for cooling. This issues are further discussed in the Table 21. By rapid development of electric vehicles electricity is selected as fuel transport sector on the regional level as well as Petrol/Diesel for use in sea and heavy road transport. Water supply depends on the local character of available resources and installation of water pipelines. Desalination is suitable for remote islands as in the case of the islands Mljet and Lastovo. Concentrated waste collection with high share of biodegradable waste and waste oil could be interesting option for installation of smaller Biodiesel production facility as given by Ćosić.

Table 21. Potential integration of flows in Dubrovnik region.

Integration technology	Condition	Code
Combined heat and power	IF (Elect PROPORTIONAL Heat) AND (DEGS OR CCGT OR FC OR BECS OR SECS OR GECS) AND L-U or L-SU	CHP
Combined heat and cold	IF (Heat PROPORTIONAL Cold) AND L-U or L-SU	CHC
Trigeneration	IF (Elect PROPORTIONAL (Heat + Cold)) AND (DEGS OR CCGT OR FC OR BECS OR SECS OR GECS) AND L-U or L-SU	3G-HPC
Combined water and power	IF (HydroM OR HydroH) AND Water AND R OR L	CWP
Combined waste treatment and heat generation	IF (WasteI AND (HeatM OR HeatH)) AND L-U or L-SU	CWTH
Combined waste treatment and power generation	IF (WasteI AND (ElectM OR ElectH)) R OR L	CWTP
Combined waste treatment and gas production	IF (WasteG AND ECBG) AND R OR L	CWTGas
Combined power and hydrogen production	IF (WECS OR PV) AND ECH2	CPH2
Combined heat, power and hydrogen production	IF (SECS OR BECS OR GECS) AND ECH2	3G-HPH2
Combined heat, power, cold and hydrogen production	IF (SECS OR BECS OR GECS) AND ECH2	4G-HPCH2
Synthetic fuel	IF (WECS OR PV) AND ELY	SYNF

As EII for electricity sector is high above one so it necessary to transfer the surplus to other sectors. Electric vehicles in transport and heat pumps in combination with heat storage could provide good flexibility. Even PHS systems are feasible, due to restrictions in land use but also lower amount of available surface most probably will exclude it from the list of possible storages. Another issue for choosing batteries or eventually electric cars as they will help in

integration of present variable RES but they can decrease the losses in the system if electricity will be produced locally eg. building integrated SECS-PV.

After mapping the needs and resources and assessing the feasibility of technologies, integration of flows and storage the scenarios should be devised and modelled with some of the available modelling tools.

Table 22. Feasibility of storage technologies.

Storage technology	Condition	Code
Electricity storage system		
Reversible hydro	IF (WECS AND HECS)	RHECS
Electrolyser + Hydrogen	IF (WECS OR SECS OR PV) AND NOT HECS	ELYH2
Batteries	IF (WCES OR SECS OR PV) AND NOT HECS AND NOT ECH2 OR REFH2	BAT
Electric vehicle to grid	IF (WCES OR SECS OR PV) AND ElFuel	V2G
Heat storage		
Heat storage	IF (HeatH)	HeatS
Cold bank	IF (ColdH)	ColdS
Fuel		
Hydrogen	IF H2Fuel	H2stor
Biodiesel	IF BDFuel	BDstor
Petrol/Diesel	IF PDFuel	PDstor
Synthetic fuel	IF SYNf	SYNFstor
Water, Waste and Wastewater		
Water	IF Water	WaterS
Waste fill	IF Waste	WasteF
Wastewater tanks	IF WWT	WWstor

In Croatia, regions, counties etc are not obliged to make energy balance sheets so there are no detailed data for the gross final consumption of energy for heating and cooling or for transport and future discussion and evaluation will be made on available data and according certain assumptions. As gross final electricity consumption for 2010 is known as well as average production of hydropower plants, the value of EII for electricity can be easily calculated

$$EII_{R,EL}^{2010} = \frac{a_{RE}}{b_{EL}} = \frac{1325}{435.618} = 3.041$$

as discussed before it indicates large potential of hydropower in the region and electricity production is 3 times larger than currently needed which means that electricity should be used in other sectors in order to reach 100% independent region based 100% on RES supply.

The calculated EII index will be accepted by EU but it does not give the real picture as the half of electricity belongs to the Bosnia and Herzegovina so more correct value regarding only Dubrovnik region for 2010 will be:

$$EII_{R,EL}^{2010} = \frac{a_{RE}}{b_{EL}} = \frac{786 + 9}{435.618} = 1.825$$

it still indicates high value of RES electricity production and if production of planned hydro, wind and solar will be taken into account all heating cooling needs as well as transport fuel needs could be satisfied from local RES and that Dubrovnik region could become 100% RES region by use of storage in electric cars, batteries, DH and DC and as showed on example of the island of Mljet and use hydrogen for remote areas.

3.8. FIT for storage technologies in the light of European energy and climate goals 20-20-20 by 2020

3.8.1. Feed-in Tariffs Application and Design

The problem of storage systems is that they increase the cost of already expensive distributed and renewable energy sources, making them mostly in market terms, even less economically viable. For the case of hydrogen, the additional price has been estimated within the range of 43 c€/kWh to 171 c€/kWh, as shown in [127] and [58]. However, some exceptions for battery systems and hydrogen for the island of Corvo [74] suggest that under the circumstances, storage can be a viable option.

To overcome financial barriers and create favourable market conditions for energy storage technologies, support schemes and policies must be developed. Feed-in tariffs, Green Certificates, tendering procedures, tax initiatives, and investment initiatives are examples of schemes that have been accepted by different governments and energy regulatory bodies.

As explained in [128] due to the relatively high costs of production, wind power and other renewable sources of electricity, cannot in a free commercial market compete against mature technologies such as large hydro, combined cycle plants based on natural gas, efficient coal-fired combined heat and power plants or nuclear power plants. Therefore, special support systems are needed for RES-E until such technologies become commercially competitive. Recent experience from around the world suggests that feed-in tariffs (FIT) are the most effective policy in encouraging rapid and sustained deployment of renewable energy [129]. Also, as explained by [130] FIT has made Spain and Germany two of the most successful

countries in the public promotion of electricity from renewable energy sources. FIT has led to the emergence of a RES-E technoinstitutional complex made up of learning networks between RES-E producers, RES-E equipment suppliers, local communities, policy makers and NGOs [131].

Currently, only Greece has policy that supports installation of hybrid systems that include energy storage. Greek law [132] regulates the policy, which is currently under revision. The main characteristic is that one tariff is set for electricity from an intermittent RES source, which is directly fed to the grid, while another is set for electricity produced by storage units. There is also a restriction on the amount of energy from the grid that can be used for filling of storage. [133] proposed FIT systems for the hybrid systems in Ecuador. The use of thermal energy storage in Denmark was indirectly supported through a triple tariff system used for CHP generation since excess capacities in CHP units can be used to relocate hours of electricity production if thermal energy storage is added to the CHP plant [134].

There are several different ways to structure a FIT policy, each containing its own strengths and weaknesses. [129] presented an overview of seven different ways to structure the remuneration of a FIT policy. In general, they divided FIT into two broad categories: those in which remuneration is dependent on the electricity market price, and those that remain independent of it. In the same paper, the advantages and disadvantages of different FIT models were examined, and an analysis of design options was made focusing on the implications for both investors and society. Fixed price model is very simple to calculate and it offers the same price through all contracting period so the price is always known as it is not related to the inflation. The disadvantage is that FIT on the beginning of the contracting period should be high enough in order to make investment attractive as inflation is unknown and it could decrease real value of the project revenues. The second feed-in tariff policy option is the fixed price model with full or partial inflation adjustment. This option is further discussed in the thesis under proposal of FIT for PHS. The advantage is on the side of RES developer as their investment and their revenues are insured and the project can bring larger profits at the end of the life time when the majority of capital costs will be paid-off while revenues are mostly the profit. The advantage is that tariff could be designed closer to the market price while disadvantage is that the electricity ratepayer could be under extra burden until the project is paid off and eventually paying the higher price than those on the market. In the relation to the first two the third option described by [129] is front-end model where higher rates are paid on the beginning then on the end of the project so related cash flow is

higher on the beginning then on the end. This type of tariff could also be designed according to the production rate of some facility that will depend on the available resources so facilities with lower production rates will get higher payments than those with higher available resources. In the first period the rate is determined through a benchmarking and after certain period it could be determined by historical production of the plant. The advantage of this model is that the best sites that have high rate of full load hours will not be overpaid while the sites with low full load hours will still be built allowing the geographical diversification and possible deployment of RES in regions with not so high potential. The fourth FIT model is the spot gap model where the FIT has the fixed value and the premium is paid regarding the market price. The model from producer's perspective does not depend on the market price while the premium gap could be paid by ratepayers or tax payers so in the case of increased marginal costs of other technologies the burden for support is decreased. The model provides good option for integration of RES into the electricity market. The first market-dependent feed-in tariff policy option examined by the authors in [129] is the premium price model. This model offers a constant premium or bonus over and above the average retail price. It does not offer security as fixed FIT as the remuneration will be over paid or not enough paid but its advantage is that RES could compete on the spot market in the time when electricity is most needed. Variable premium FIT policy design is applied in Spain and it allows that FIT goes from minimum to maximum values (floor and top) according to the spot market price. At the minimum spot price the premium will be maximal while in the case when the spot market price is equal to or higher than market price the premium will drop to zero. The advantage is that RES investment is secured while overpaying is avoided so it provides security to investors while protecting the ratepayers from unnecessary payments. The last FIT model discussed by [129] is the percentage of retail price model where the FIT tariff is set as fixed percentage of retail price. The model was abandoned by all countries that had implemented it. Authors in [135] and [130] conclude that the specific design elements of support schemes and not so much the type of chosen support scheme are a major factor for their success. Political commitment and other factors including the granting of administrative authorisations are also important as they may cause delays in investments and render RES-E investments unattractive. This means that beside financial, there are many other barriers for RES-E installations identified by [136] and [137], in their work they also propose methodologies for overcoming identified barriers for RES-E installations. As presented by [138], utilities have been accused in the past of using third-party grid access as an obstacle to RES-E deployment

as they had control over the applying procedure and any delays in approval procedure caused extra costs, this and similar barriers should be addressed before implementing a FIT application for energy storage development.

By providing different support levels for various types of technologies, FIT are more likely to promote different types of technologies than say other instruments, which prioritise the cheapest technologies [131]. This is an important characteristic for FIT as there are many storage options on the market in various development stages.

A stepped FIT is characterised by lower tariff for technologies, locations and plant sizes possessing a greater efficiency [130]. Stepped FIT is a tool in reducing produced surplus and, consequently, the societal burden [139]. Reducing support as the initial investment provides a return that can also be justified in order to reduce a windfall in profits for investors. In contrast, support was not adjusted according to the RES-E potentials of different locations, which is another positive element of a stepped FIT [140]. Reductions in support levels for new plants are linked to cost reductions due to economies of scale and learning effects [130]. Similar reduction of over profit for producers due FIT application could lead to de-escalation of FIT over time. The de-escalating of the feed-in tariff alleviates the burden on consumers who have to provide the funds for the subsidy through a specially designed RES-E tax. However, if technological progress envisaged in the policy design is not as quick as expected, the penetration of RES might abruptly cease when the feed-in tariffs fall below the technology's levelised cost [141].

[142] explains the main difficulty with the development of FIT compared to other schemes. FIT requires policymakers to define administratively FIT attributes, specifically payments amounts for individual technologies (e.g., wind, solar, geothermal), payment structures (e.g., fixed or declining), and payment durations. All three attributes can require significant 'guesswork' on the part of policymakers regarding future market conditions and the pace of technological improvements. On the other hand, [143] concludes that the advantage of the FIT is that it differentiates various renewable energy (RE) technologies, at different stages of development that have different generation costs. Moreover, the FIT do not narrow competition, because in the interest of keeping construction costs low, developers try to buy the cheapest and best technologies and have thus driven the cost of technology down [143]. It could then be concluded that FIT for storage technologies (hydrogen and batteries) will help such technologies to "move up" on learning curves. As presented by [143], in some countries

FIT has a long history and an adequate administration to handle its procedures. In these countries, the use of FITs in storage systems could easily be accepted and would not affect the market greatly.

[143] explains specific benefits that countries plan to gain using a FIT application. Most countries support the development of RES for the following reasons:

- Ensuring security of supply (reducing dependence on fossil fuels and creating diversity of supply). Reducing greenhouse gas emissions (and other environmental effects of the energy sector).
- Fostering innovation and broadening industrial capabilities (e.g. to improve export potential, skills and enhance competitiveness).
- Increasing local and regional benefits (e.g. through job creation, manufacturing, economic development).

It is desirable to meet these objectives in the most cost-effective manner and this therefore is main reason for conducting a detailed cost benefit analysis before the application of storage systems [74].

As shown by [144], extensive public support for electricity from renewable energy sources (RES-E), in addition to environmental and socio-economic benefits, has also resulted in RES-E decreasing the total price of electricity. The additional amount of RES-E, supported by the German RES-E policy (EEG), has reduced the wholesale price of electricity in 2005–2007 by 6.4 €/MWh [145], while increasing the RES-E fee by 3.8 €/MWh. Thus, by [144] concludes that without the RES-E support, the retail price of electricity would have been 2.6 €/MWh higher than it actually has been. Economic benefits have been reported in the operation of the Cretan power system [71] due to the FIT scheme for wind turbines.

The design of FIT for application in storage system is rather simple and could be easily performed by Energy Regulatory Agencies or Electricity Market Operators and assisted by experts from TSO and DSO. The calculations necessary for evaluating a FIT design could be carried out by using energy planning models as described in [45] and [146].

3.8.2. Feed-in Tariffs for Energy Storages

In general, there exist two basic installations for storage systems, i.e. storage installed as separate unit (cf. Figure 41) or as part of a hybrid system (cf. Figure 42). The installation in a hybrid system does not necessary mean that producing RES units (wind or photovoltaic or

any other power plant) is physically installed at the same location as the storage unit. It could be just a conceptual combination of these two plants where each unit has its own grid connection but are operated as a single hybrid system.

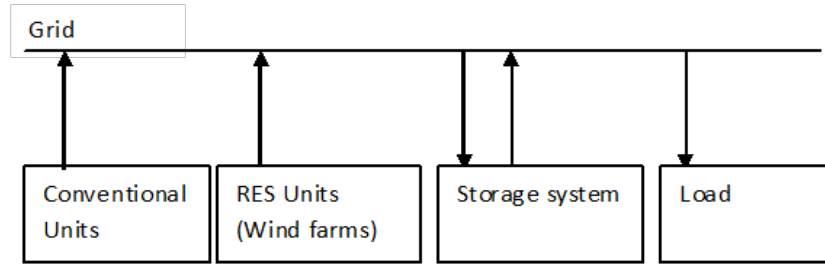


Figure 41. Storage system as separate unit.

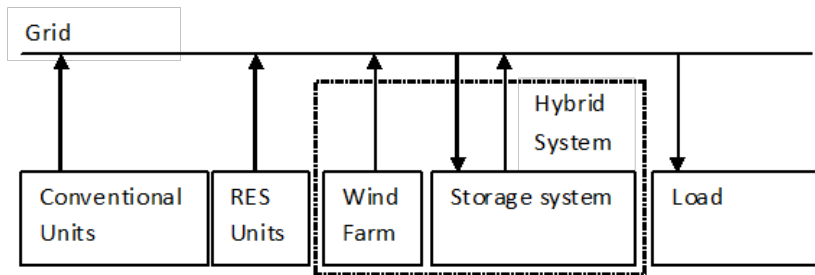


Figure 42. Storage system as part of a hybrid system.

Each of the presented concepts has its own advantages and field of application. The storage systems as separate units are mostly used in big power systems with numerous production units, hence the size of storage units is larger. The best such representative installations, currently operating worldwide, are large pumped hydropower plants. Hybrid systems are more common on the islands and in standalone applications.

3.8.3. Feed-in Tariffs for Pumped Hydro Storage - PHS

Pumped or reversible hydropower stations (PHS), not installed as hybrid systems, use energy from the grid to raise water to an upper reservoir. This energy may come from all the power plants in the system. In order to avoid harnessing power from conventional stations used for pumping and increasing emissions of pollutants, these kinds of PHS units should be supported only in systems with an established certification of the renewable origin of electricity (“guarantees of origin”) –(GO). As mentioned in the introduction, FIT should be different with respect to project size, application, location or resource intensity and the same factors should be applied in supporting PHS.

$FIT_{PHS_{WGO}}$ represents FIT, paid for electricity produced by PHS with the amount equal to electricity used for pumping and decreased by the total efficiency of the PHS system. This

means theoretically that electricity produced by PHS could also gets amount of guarantees of origin for RES-E, only decreased by the PHS system efficiency. This is illustrated by the equation below:

$$PHS_{GO} = \eta_{PHS} \cdot W_{GO} \quad (14)$$

where PHS_{GO} are guarantees of origin assigned to electricity produced by PHS and W_{GO} are guarantees of origin for wind electricity supplied from the network. η_{PHS} is the total efficiency of PHS calculated by

$$\eta_{PHS} = \eta_T \cdot \eta_p \quad (15)$$

where η_T is the turbine and generator efficiency and η_p is the pumping efficiency. η_{PHS} is an important factor and must be determined from technical documentation for proposed PHS or typical groups of PHS .

If η_{PHS} is 70% and if guarantees of origin are standardised at 1 MWh , then for 1 MWh of E_{PHSWGO} (RES-E coming from PHS with provable renewable origin of electricity) or 1 PHS_{GO} will need to supply 1.4285 MWh of E_{WGO} or 1.4285 W_{GO} (RES-E coming from wind power plants with provable renewable origin of electricity). Complex accounting of GO requires a central registry which should be located at the energy market system operator and supported by power system operators (TSOs or DSOs). The importance of the given GO is explained by [140] who states that most probably, EU-wide trading of RES-E is likely to take the form of an exchange in guarantees of origin (GOs).

Although there is obvious support for storage technology in the novel EU energy policy, according to the new RES directive (The European Parliament and the Council of the European Union 2009), the production of electricity in pumped storage units from water previously pumped uphill is not treated as a renewable electricity (RES-E). Consequently, it cannot receive guaranties of origin that are recognized at an EU level nor accepted by the European Commission. The aim here is to avoid twofold counting of produced renewable electricity. In the scenario that PHS uses only electricity with W_{GO} for pumping, and the turbine has a load factor $\leq 20\%$, FIT should cover total costs of electricity production which will be paid for the electricity possessing PHS_{GO} and is calculated by formula:

$$FIT_{PHS_{WGO}} = \left(\left(\frac{TIC_{PHS} \cdot R + OMC_{PHS}}{E_{PHS_{WGO}}} \right)_{WGO} + \left(\frac{EPC_{WGO}}{\eta_{PHS}} \right)_{WGO} \right)_{E_{PHS_{WGO}}} \quad (16)$$

where TIC_{PHS} is the total investment cost in PHS, OMC_{PHS} is yearly PHS operation and maintains costs, $E_{PHS_{WGO}}$ is the total delivered electricity to the network by PHS. EPC_{WGO} represents the market price of RES-E used in pumping. WGO indexes only indicate to which renewable origin of electricity the terms in brackets are related.

The annuity factor R is defined as:

$$R = \frac{i}{1 - (1 + i)^{-N}} \quad (17)$$

where, i is the discount rate and N the payback period of the investment.

The size of Hydro Power Plants and Pumped Hydro Storage plants varies from a few hundred kW to hundreds of MW, leading consequently to a big span in installation costs. Another characteristic of PHS is that it could be built by adapting existing structures (adding a pump station and pumping penstock to existing hydropower plants which already have both reservoirs or by adding upper or lower reservoir, penstock, reversible turbines or turbines and pumps to existing water reservoir as described in the case studies of STORIES project Deliverable 2.1 [71]. In the same deliverable, total costs of Hybrid Wind Pumped Hydro Storage WPHS and PHS are given by the formulas showed in Table 23. New developments of PHS and the respective installation costs and details are described by [22] and [92].

Table 23. Overview of the formulas and assumptions for the PHS and WPHS cost estimation [105].

Equipment – Cost symbol	Data/Formula for Cost Estimation (€)
Wind Farms (C_W)	1200 €/kW
Pumps (C_P)	$C_P = N_P \cdot C_{0,P} \cdot \left(\frac{P_{P, rated}}{H_P^{0.3}} \right)^{0.82}$, $C_{0,P} = 1814$
Hydro-turbine (C_T)	$C_T = C_{0,T} \cdot \left(\frac{P_{T, rated}}{H_T^{0.3}} \right)^{0.82}$, $C_{0,T} = 4687$
Reservoir (C_R)	$C_R = 420 \cdot V^{0.7}$
Penstock ($C_{Penstock}$)	$1.25 \cdot \sum_i \left\{ \left[\underbrace{(W_M \cdot \pi D_i \cdot e_i \cdot L) \cdot C_M}_{Material\ Cost} + \underbrace{(\pi \pi_i \cdot L) \cdot C_i}_{Insulation\ Cost} + \underbrace{\left(1.5 \cdot \frac{\pi D_i^2}{4} \cdot L \right) \cdot C_E}_{Excavation\ Cost} \right] \right\}$
Grid connection (C_{GC})	4% * ($C_P + C_T + C_R + C_{Penstock}$)
Control system (C_{CS})	1.6% * ($C_P + C_T + C_R + C_{Penstock}$)
Transportation of equipment (C_T)	2.4% * ($C_P + C_T + C_R + C_{Penstock}$)
Personal (C_P)	30% * ($C_P + C_T + C_R + C_{Penstock}$)
Others (C_O)	2% * ($C_P + C_T + C_R + C_{Penstock}$)
Operation and Maintenance (OMC_{PHS})	2% * ($C_P + C_T + C_R + C_{Penstock} + C_W$)

FIT suggestions for PHS systems should take into account the local particularities of possibly developing PHS and accordingly, suggestions should propose one or several levels of FIT_{PHS} . For a specific energy system, the limit on turbine load factor in PHS, supported by a different level of FIT, can be optimized. This can be carried out according to desirable levels of excess production from RES units or according to the needs of supply security or energy autonomy of the system as described by [23] or wind capacity index and the reservoir's capacity index as used by [22].

If the PHS system turbines have a capacity factor greater than 20%, meaning they operate in excess of 1750 full load hours, the PHS system should then receive one FIT until it fulfils the quota of 1750 full load hours (or energy equivalent). FIT covering this production will allow PHS owners to make a return on investment at a set discount rate and within an expected time period. Another tariff between 1750 and 2750 full load hours is directly linked to the price of electricity used for pumping. Its purpose is to stimulate additional use of PHS in storing excess intermittent energy and thus reduce curtailment. The third tariff allows minimal earnings in storing excess and is set when PHS operates in excess of 2750 hours. In systems with one penstock, similar pump and turbines power, and no extra inflow of water in the upper reservoir, it can hardly be expected that turbines will operate in excess of 2750 full load hours. However, operation hours will be directly linked to system design and for purpose of the PHS system.

Table 24. FIT according to capacity factor.

Working hours at full load (or energy equivalent),	FIT
<1750 h	FIT_{PHSWGO}
1750-2750	$1.055 \cdot \frac{EPC_{WGO}}{\eta_{PHS}} \quad (18)$
>2750	$1.005 \cdot \frac{EPC_{WGO}}{\eta_{PHS}} \quad (19)$

Table 24 presents just one example of calculating stepped FIT and as mentioned before, and these limits will most probably be case related. Therefore, the recommendation is to calculate stepped tariff for the group of similar case studies through system optimization of the following parameters: security of energy supply or energy autonomy, reduction of RES-E excess rejection, desirable RES-E targets/penetration levels, system regulation, costs and benefits of PHS installation.

Wind potential and hydraulic head are site-dependent features, which strongly affect the attractiveness and profitability of the investment, but do not affect the hybrid wind and PHS

energy contribution. In achieving a desirable hybrid wind and PHS energy contribution or a peak demand supply for a turbine, a specific wind energy amount combined with a specific storage capacity are required [19].

When contracted, $FIT_{PHS_{WGO}}$ should last for some period. A period of 12 years seems reasonable from an investor's point of view and contracting should cover a 5 year period after FIT is inured (this provide some security to investors and system planners). Following this 5 year period, a revision of FIT is recommended.

Including 100% of the tariffs for protection against inflation is best way to ensure stability for investors. The amount of the FIT for electricity produced in plants using renewable energy sources during the validity of the electricity purchase contract is adjusted annually with respect to the retail price index. This is carried out by taking the FIT from the previous calendar year and multiplying it with the annual retail price index from the previous calendar year, i.e.

$$FIT_{YPHS} = FIT_{YPHS-1} \cdot IRP_{YPHS-1} \quad (20)$$

where FIT_{YPHS} is the incentive price for the current calendar year. FIT_{YPHS-1} is the incentive price from the previous calendar year. For the first year, it represents the amount of the tariff item FIT_{YPHS} , referred to in paragraph 1 of this Tariff System. IRP_{YPHS-1} is the annual retail price index according to official data from the Central Bureau of Statistics for the previous calendar year. YPHS is the yearly index.

A system where the feed-in tariff schedule is updated each year, while taking into consideration the inflation rate is described in [141]. However, the compensation is not complete, but amounts only to 25% of inflation. The reason being is that anything less than full compensation provides incentives for constantly improving the efficiency of the subsidised unit through innovation, learning, and so on.

Another criticism against the FIT has been that favourable tariffs have typically not been reduced in step with technological development [128]. A supplementary solution would be to adjust the tariff for new installations at regular intervals taking into account the best technology on the market (bench marking principle).

When additional inflow of water in the upper reservoir exists, enabling load factor of turbines $\geq 20\%$ (or higher of any other calculated desirable limit), FIT for electricity produced in this way is calculated according to equation 21:

$$FIT_{PHSTGO} = \left(\left(\frac{TIC_{TPS} \cdot R + OMC_{TPS}}{E_{PHSTGO}} \right)_{TGO} \right)_{E_{PHS} - E_{PHSWGGO} - E_{PHSNOGO}} \quad (21)$$

$$E_{PHSTGO} = E_{PHS} - E_{PHSWGGO} - E_{PHSNOGO} \quad (22)$$

$$E_{PHSWGGO} = \eta_{PHS} \cdot E_{WGO} \quad (23)$$

$$E_{PHSNOGO} = \eta_{PHS} \cdot E_{NOGO} \quad (24)$$

where E_{PHSTGO} is electricity produced by turbinating extra inflow of water, $E_{PHSWGGO}$ is electricity produced by PHS with GO (by E_{WGO} - energy taken from the grid with W_{GO} is used for pumping) and $E_{PHSNOGO}$ electricity produced by PHS without GO (by E_{NOGO} - energy taken from the grid without W_{GO} is used for pumping). TIC_{TPS} represents total investment costs for a hydropower plant (turbines, generators, penstock and eventually upper reservoir without pumping part). The FIT_{PHSTGO} should only cover the cost of PHS when operating as a hydropower plant using extra inflow of water which means that TIC_{TPS} should be determined from the ratio $\frac{E_{PHSTGO}}{E_{PHS}}$. Extra inflow of water in the upper reservoirs could be easily determined as pumped volume will be always known. FIT for electricity produced from PHS if there are no guarantees of origin for electricity used for pumping, is calculated using:

$$FIT_{PHSNOGO} = 0 \quad (25)$$

meaning that the operator of PHS is buying electricity and selling back $E_{PHSNOGO}$ at market price. This mode of PHS work should be allowed only if there are no scheduled requests for pumping of RES-E from the system operator in order to avoid curtailment of RES-E.

If TSO or DSO due to some reason request the PHS operator to pump and fill upper storage, and if they cannot provide GO, the PHS owner should receive compensation for carrying out this operation (usually done in accordance with rules for balancing energy and is prescribed in network operation codes).

A proposal for organising the market in terms of invoicing, payments, insuring GO and fees for FIT is showed on Figure 43. In organising such systems, it will be desirable to have Wind Power Dispatch Centres supporting DSO and TSO [147]. This would enable undertaking a precise decision on what amount of electricity would be sourced from wind power plants and fed directly to system, and what would be used for pumping. This is important if GO is also to

be determined for the PHS system, meaning the RES privileged producer will only get the amount of GO for its electricity directly absorbed by the system while part of the GO will be passed to PHS, decreased by its efficiency. In this way, twofold counting of produced RES-E is avoided and it is then possible to track RES-E, thus organising payments according FIT. Market operators at the end of each month or any other agreed payment period could easily calculate what amount of money, according to prescribed FIT, should be given to RES and PHS producers. As is also shown on Figure 43, it is then possible to show final consumers the amount of GO and RES consumed therefore validating their payments.

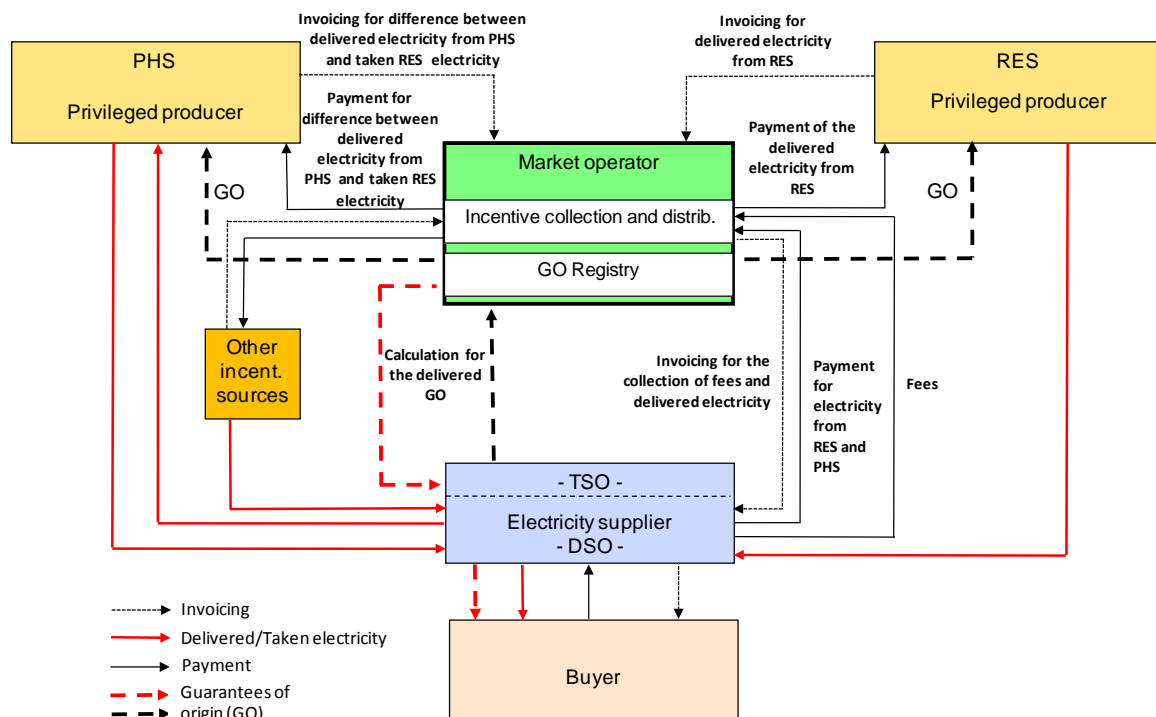


Figure 43. Invoicing, payments and GO flows for FIT.

3.8.4. Feed-in Tariffs for PHS in the Ios Island Case Study

The Ios case study will be used as an example to show how the proposed formulas for FIT work. Ios is an island in the Cyclades Complex and its electrical supply is part of the autonomous Paro-Naxia system, which includes five main islands (Paros, Naxos, Ios, Sikinos, Folegandros) and some smaller islands.

The only local power station is located in Paros with 10 Internal Combustion (IC) power units at a cumulative capacity of 61.4 MW. All the islands are interconnected but this system is considered vulnerable and centralised with high energy transportation losses and stability problems. The annual energy demand in Paros power system is estimated at 189.56 GWh, and the peak demand of 61.2MW with a load factor of 37.6%. Estimations for Ios refer to 12.6

GWh with a peak demand of 3.9MW. Ios has high wind potential and several existing water reservoirs, which are currently used for irrigation and may be cumulatively exploited for a PHS [71].

The energy planning model H₂RES described in Chapter 2 has been used for modelling the system behaviour with installed PHS, a reduction of curtailed energy and operating hours of a PHS station. As explained the main characteristic of H₂RES model is that it uses technical data from equipment specifications (efficiencies, installed power, etc.), hourly meteorological data for intermittent sources, and according to the description in Chapter 2 and in [2] and [4] energy balancing is regulated by the equations.

Table 25. Ios case study data[71].

Rated power of the turbine – MW	8.0
Rated power of pumps – MW	6.5
Capacity of the reservoir - m3	120000
Installed power of WT – MW	18.3
Additional installed power of WT - MW	13.5
EPC_{WGO} - €/MWh	87.42
η_{PHS}	0.696
I	15%
N – payback years	8

In 2010, annual energy demand in the Paros power system was estimated at 246.3GWh and peak demand at 74.8MW. The estimated hourly data for 2010 has been used in H₂RES. It was also assumed in the calculations that 18 MW of wind was already installed in the system with an additional 13.5 MW following installation of the PHS system. With the limit on hourly wind penetration at 30% and without PHS and new wind installations, it was possible to satisfy 19% of yearly electricity demand while rejecting 30% of total wind potential. With the installation of PHS used for peak shaving at 82.5% of the dynamic weekly peak, it was possible to store 19% of all wind potential. In this case, PHS turbines supplied 3.5% of total demand and the capacity factor equalling 12 %. Under the same conditions and with 13.5 MW of extra wind installed, capacity factor of turbines in PHS were increased to 20%, accounting for a supply of 6% of total electricity demand. Wind share in the total demand was 23% with 34% representing the rejected potential. Figure 44 presents a H₂RES Simulation of the power system on Paros in January. The high rejected potential is caused by low demand and favourable wind conditions.

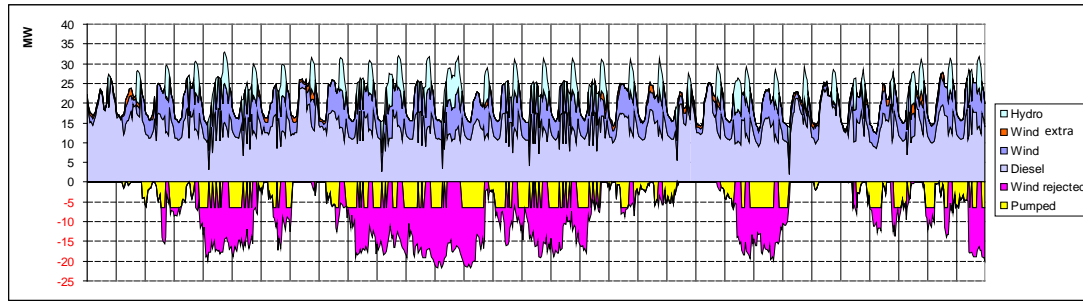


Figure 44. H₂RES Simulation of the power system on Paros in January (development of PHS in IOS) – dynamic weekly peak.

Equipment cost for TIC_{PHS} is calculated according Table 23 and does not take into account the cost of a lower reservoir, in its current state. The calculated TIC_{PHS} is 6.8 mil. € and OMC_{PHS} is 97,226 € Table 26 and Figure 45 present calculated stepped FIT in the Ios island case. Possible extra earnings for PHS owners if working in excess of 1750 hours are marked by a yellow colour.

Table 26. Proposed FIT_{PHSWGO} for PHS on Ios with the existing lower reservoir and 20% turbine load factor.

Working hours at full load (or energy equivalent)	FIT_{PHSWGO} [€/MWh]
<1750 h	240
1750-2750	132.5
>2750	126.2

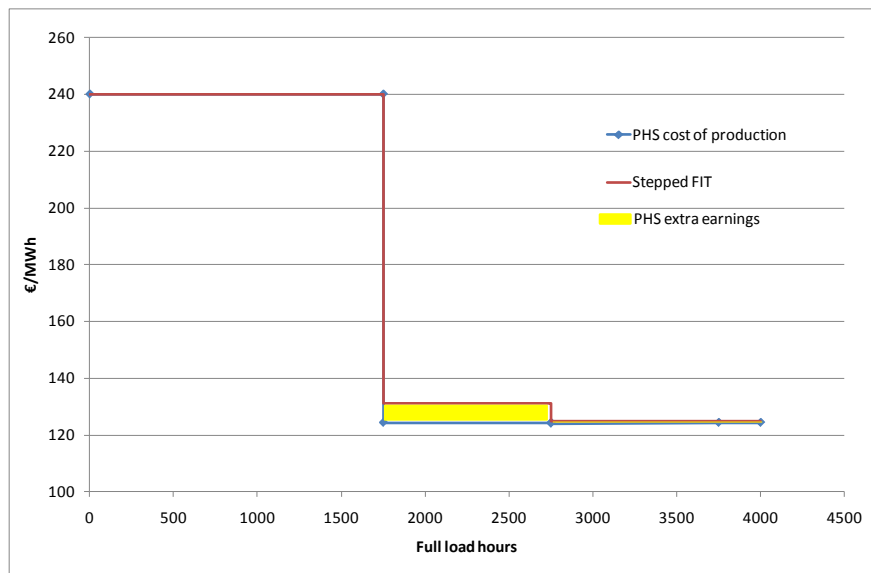


Figure 45. Stepped FIT.

This FIT_{PHSWGO} should be valid for PHS with 1 MW to 10 MW of installed power turbines and for installations that already have lower reservoirs. Bigger systems and different

configurations of PHS installations require additional calculations by using equations 1-6 and Table 23 .

For example, if the system on the Ios island requires the installation of a lower reservoir of the same size as the upper, the FIT for a load factor <1750 h (or energy equivalent) should be at least 263 €/MWh.

If the same principle for designing a FIT is applied to case studies calculated by [22], the average FIT for all islands will be 422 €/MWh, in the cases where it was assumed that hydro-turbine's peak demand supplies 50% and 43% energy contribution. The high FIT is due to different conditions for system design but also due to large distances on the islands sizes. Therefore, FIT for the Crete would be 269 €/MWh while for the Megisti Island it is 1065 €/MWh. It is interesting to note that if the discount rate in the design of FIT is set to $i=5\%$ and the payback period set to 20 years as used by [22], the average FIT calculated for their case studies is 240 €/MWh for a turbine size of PHS ranging from 1 MW to 10 MW.

3.8.5. Feed-in Tariffs for Hydrogen Storage Systems - HSS

The typical hydrogen storage system includes a water electrolysis unit, a hydrogen storage tank and a fuel cell. Electrolytic hydrogen is produced when excess energy is generated by renewable electricity-generating technologies. Hydrogen is then stored in a gaseous form and can be used as a feedstock for the fuel cell in order to produce electricity when needed. Additionally, hydrogen can be used for transport purposes. In this case, the calculation of feed in tariffs could be more complicated, since part of the payback should come from transport fuel prices. Installation costs of electrolyser, hydrogen storage, control system and compressor should be divided between electricity and transport costs.

FIT for hydrogen storage could be calculated in a similar manner to equation 16 for PHS:

$$FIT_{H2WGO} = \left(\left(\frac{TIC_{H2} \cdot R + OMC_{H2}}{E_{H2WGO}} \right)_{WGO} + \left(\frac{EPC_{WGO}}{\eta_{H2}} \right)_{WGO} \right)_{E_{H2WGO}} \quad (26)$$

where TIC_{H2} is total cost of investment in HSS, OMC_{H2} is yearly operation and maintenance costs of HSS, E_{H2WGO} is total delivered electricity to the network by HSS from electrolysed water. EPC_{WGO} represents the price of RES electricity used in electrolysing water. η_{H2} is the total efficiency of HSS and is calculated by

$$\eta_{H2} = \eta_{ELY} \cdot \eta_C \cdot \eta_{FC} \quad (27)$$

where η_{ELY} is the efficiency of electrolyser, η_C is the efficiency of the compressor and hydrogen storage and η_{FC} is the efficiency of fuel cells. η_{H2} is an important factor and must be determined from technical documentation relating to the proposed hydrogen system or is taken as an average of values for η_{H2} .

Similar to the several levels of FIT for PHS, FIT_{H2WGO} should also have several levels so that a single price is paid until the fuel cell reaches a full load capacity. Subsequently, the load factor FIT is calculated from the equation :

$$FIT_{H2WGO} = 1.02 \cdot \frac{EPC_{WGO}}{\eta_{H2}} \quad (28)$$

3.8.6. Feed-in Tariffs for HSS – Milos case study

Milos is a Greek island situated on the south-western part of the country, specifically in the group of islands called Cyclades. Combining and introducing wind energy and hydrogen storage into the Milos power system has shown that a reduction on fossil fuel dependency, an improvement in supply security and a decrease in the production of harmful fossil fuel emissions are feasible and can be undertaken at a lower cost than current power generation. [74]. For Milos, the thermal units' capacity can be also reduced. Annual electricity demand for the Milos island is approximately 39,729 MWh with peak demand equal to 8.5 MW. In order to meet this demand, the existing power system includes 8 thermal generator sets with a total capacity of around 11.25 MW and a small wind park comprising 3 wind turbines with a total installed capacity of 2.05 MW and a 13.9% share in demand [74].

Table 27. Milos case study equipment and O&M costs [105].

Equipment	O&M	Installation
Fuel Cell -1 MW	4,418 €/year	1,500,000 €
Electrolyser – 2MW	50,000 €/year	2,000,000 €
Hydrogen storage tank – 4000 kg	4,000 €/year	1,600,000 €
Other data		
EPC_{WGO} - €/MWh		87.42
E_{H2WGO} -kWh		2,353,161
η_{H2}		0.3575
I		15%
N – payback years		8

In this case, FIT_{H_2WGO} should be equal to or greater than 50 c€/kWh and should be paid until fuel cell reach full load capacity factor of 27%. Subsequently, the following load factor equation should be used to determine the feed-in tariff:

$$FIT_{H_2WGO} = 1.02 \cdot \frac{EPC_{WGO}}{\eta_{H_2}} \quad (29)$$

When not taking into account other benefits like (fuel savings, avoid emissions, etc.) described in detailed in [74] the additional fee that should be collected in Milos in order to cover FIT_{H_2WGO} is 3 c€/kWh. Furthermore, if all benefits are taken into account, the total price of electricity could be less by 0.1 c€[74], meaning that there is no need for an extra fee. In the report provided by [74], a detailed description of CBA analysis and subsidies required for hydrogen storage technologies is given.

3.8.7. Size and location of the PHS system

In general there are no restrictions for the size of the system which is mostly depended on the technology of turbines and pumps used, which in turn are related to the available height and reservoir capacity. The most promising option for new installations is the transformation of current reservoir hydropower plants by adding a lower or upper reservoir and by constructing pumping stations if turbines are not suited for reversible operations. Additionally no-hydropower dams could be transformed to PHS by building a second reservoir and the necessary hydropower facilities. Another possibility is the construction of completely new pumped hydro storage plants in the most suitable locations.

This study gives an overview of the Croatian potential for the best locations of the PHS installations, which in general could be divided into:

- Mainland – typical locations where there is a possibility to extend current installations (e.g. building of RHE Vinodol);
- Islands – in larger islands such as Krk, where pumped storage could be combined with water irrigation service and water supply provision; the potential combination with a PV facility could represent a reliable source of energy.

3.8.8. Regulatory frame within EU in support to storage

The variable nature of renewable energy sources (RES) like wind, solar and waves is one of the limitation factors for their penetration in the network. This problem has been recognized in autonomous networks as RES penetration in those systems easily reached technical limits.

Now, similar problems are facing integrated power systems when RES penetration exceeds certain levels (Table 28).

Table 28. EU countries with highest wind share in the gross electricity consumption in 2010.

Country	Wind penetration 2009	Wind penetration 2010
Denmark	24.9%	22%
Portugal	14.6%	17.1%
Spain	13.9%	16.6%
Ireland	---	10%
Germany	7.2%	6.2%

As explained before one of the solutions for increasing the intermittent RES-E penetration is adding energy storage to the power system. In addition to helping increasing the RES penetration, energy storage could also serve for load management, power quality management and system services¹, security of energy supply, profitable trade of energy, etc. Balancing energy flows via electricity storage can improve the capacity factors of power plants, facilitate the valuation and integration of variable electricity production, avoiding power curtailment, and provide flexibility and support to electricity grid capacities through asset deferral and reduced grid congestion issues [148]. These benefits of storage are of significant interest for renewable energy sources, as they offer a technological solution that maximises the usage and benefits of renewable energy production by reducing for instance, the recourse to fossil fuel-based back-up capacity and power curtailment measures.

In the study on energy storage technologies delivered to the European Parliament [149], it is stated that energy storage technologies could contribute to European energy security if they could enable the increased penetration of intermittent renewables. The development of a range of cost-effective, flexible energy storage systems is likely to allow the delivery of the RES targets at a reduced overall cost and with enhanced network flexibility (COM(2007) 723 final).

The means by which the European electricity market is regulated and the nature of the electricity markets are key policy issues determining the scope for energy storage to contribute effectively to energy security and emissions reduction. Currently the European electricity market remains fragmented resulting in inconsistent operational and regulatory

¹ System services are all services provided by a system operator to all users connected to the system. Some users provide some system services that are ancillary to their production or consumption of energy. These system services are called ancillary services (Eurelectric, 2004).

approaches with variable consequences for energy storage as explained in the discussions in following chapters. In particular there is little incentive for energy storage to be introduced in many European electricity markets that do not yet have full liberalisation and transparency and in those that have it there is small space for the market arbitrage and gain profitability only on the spot market.

In the EU there is strong political, public and economic support for renewable energy technologies. Political support is reflected through the European Energy Policy and mostly through directives such as Directive 2001/77/EC for support of generation of electricity from Renewable energy sources (RES-E), superseded by Directive 2009/28/EC on the promotion of the use of energy from renewable sources; the RES and Climate Change package 20-20-20 and many other recommendations and reports. While Directive 2001/77/EC had a target to meet 12% of electricity production from RES, Directive 2009/28/EC sets a RES target for 2020 of 20% of final energy consumption. The Strategic European Technology Plan (SET-Plan), as the technology pillar of the EU Climate and Energy Policy, identifies the storage as key technology priority in the development of the European power system, in line with the 2020 and 2050 EU energy targets (EC 2007, 2009, 2010). Main fields where storage could benefit to the power system are identified through support to renewable energy integration, green building concept, thermal and power storage, smart grids and electrical vehicle transport [104], [150].

The Commission has proposed (COM(2007) 723 final) a European electricity grid industrial initiative and recommends that this should encourage integration of energy storage into electricity networks. However storage development faces uncertainties surrounding the power sector evolution, such as the level of variable renewables, the carbon price, the level of base-load technology deployment, and the level of demand side measure effectiveness in curbing and peak shaving energy consumption. Therefore, SET-Plan recommends advancing the analytical framework by building scenarios on the future requirements for electricity storage.

There are significant market and regulatory barriers to accessing the full value of an electrical energy storage device embedded within an electricity network. Work should be conducted to assess the impact of electricity network management and regulation requirements on the future prospects for energy storage.

Naish et al. in [149] recommend assessing the effects of renewable energy support mechanisms on electricity energy storage in order to develop measures that could provide

confidence in market opportunities for storage investors, on one hand, and to make policy makers in renewable energy aware of the issues surrounding electricity energy storage, on the other hand.

The main barriers facing electricity storage are market related with concern to e.g. the development of the future energy mix and interconnections, and regulation related such as the definition of the assets between the generation, transmission and distribution utilities to help storage operators addressing their projects specificities and to define a clear business case [123].

The capacity of electricity storage to provide multiple services to the power system is at the origin of the difficulty to assess its economics. In particular this is due to the fact that there is an overlap created between the levels to which storage contributes, i.e. generation, grid, end-user. For storage to be profitable, all multiple value streams need to be cumulated, and regulatory barriers must be removed. Establishing a framework to assess the economic potential of storage would enable the industry to take investment decisions and public authorities to support the development of electricity storage.

Only Greece had a policy that supports installation of hybrid systems that included large energy storage while Germany supported for PV + batteries hybrid systems. In Greece this policy was set by law [132] and it was revised in 2010. The main characteristic of this law was that one tariff is set for electricity of intermittent RES source that directly fed to the grid while another was set for electricity produced by storage units. There was a restriction on the amount on energy from the grid that can be used for filling of storage. More detailed explanation on hybrid system and possible charging of electricity production is provided in [105].

3.8.9. Techno-economic features of PHS storage technologies

Today the most widespread storage in power systems is the pumped or reversible hydro storage which has many advantages. Current pumps/turbines have capability to work in all possible modes of operation, under full automatic control with automatic operation of all transient states (pumping-stopping-generating) and quick change between them (1-5 minutes). They are easily remotely controlled, have high start/stop frequency and the highest availability and capability to support black starts. In an integrated system, storage and pumped storage hydropower can also help reducing the challenges of integrating variable renewable resources [151].

As stated above, forecasting the future needs for storage capacity is dependent on the future electricity mix, e.g. level of variable energy and the capacity of the EU grid to accommodate variable power generation, flexibility needs and resources, production and consumption forecast uncertainties. To date, there are no agreed scenarios on the requirement for additional storage capacities in Europe; however, to some extent National Renewable Allocation Plans provide targets for increasing the PHS installed capacities². In Europe, there are many proposed PHS facilities mostly in the countries with high wind share or with good conditions for PHS as shown in Table 29. The current hydropower system, with its regional diversity, can be further operated in a more flexible way and provide additional storage capacity to the European system as a whole. Proposed PHS in Spain and Portugal with published costs are presented in Table 30. The costs are estimated in the range from 486 to 2,170 €/kW. The total capital cost for nominal capacities stated in [148] for PHS between 200 MW to 500 MW is in the range of 1,000 to 3,600 €/kW.

Table 29. Proposed PHS in Europe from [92] and projected increase 2020/2010 from the National Renewable Energy Action Plans [152].

Country	Proposed PHS (MW)	NREAPs-declared increase by 2020
Switzerland (CH)	2140	N/A
Portugal (PT)	1956	3266
Austria (AT)	1430	0
Germany (DE)	1000	1406
Spain (ES)	720	3154
Slovenia (SL)	180	0
France	-	2000
Italy	-	200
Total	7426	10026

Table 30. Proposed PHS in Spain and Portugal with estimated costs [92].

Facility	Size	Published cost	Developer	Operational date
Alto Tâmega Complex	1200 MW turbines, 900 MW pumps	1700 M€	Iberdrola	2018
Baixo Sabor	170 MW	369 M€	EDP	2013
Foz Tua	324 MW	340 M€	EDP	2018
Fridão Alvito	256 MW + 136 MW	510 M€	EDP	2016
Alqueva II (expansion)	240 MW	150 M€	EDP	2012
La Muela II (expansion)	720 MW	350 M€	Iberdrola	2012

² <http://www.ecn.nl/units/ps/themes/renewable-energy/projects/nreap/>

3.8.10. Energy storage and EU Directive 2009/28/EC on promotion of the use of energy from RES

According to the Article 5 of the Directive 2009/28/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 April 2009 on the promotion of the use of energy from renewable sources and amending and subsequently repealing Directives 2001/77/EC and 2003/30/EC, production of electricity in pumped storage units from a water that has previously been pumped uphill is not treated as renewable electricity (RES-E), since the power used while pumping is not necessarily wind, solar or any other renewable originated. In order to frame the discharge with PHS within the RES accounts, a guarantee of resource origin would be useful in order to be recognized in statistics accepted within RES targets as explained in the chapter 3.8.10.

For further discussion on this issue following definitions from the Article 2 of directive are important:

(a) ‘energy from renewable sources’ means energy from renewable non-fossil sources, namely wind, solar, aerothermal, geothermal, hydrothermal and ocean energy, hydropower, biomass, landfill gas, sewage treatment plant gas and biogases;

(f) ‘gross final consumption of energy’ means the energy commodities delivered for energy purposes to industry, transport, households, services including public services, agriculture, forestry and fisheries, including the consumption of electricity and heat by the energy branch for electricity and heat production and including losses of electricity and heat in distribution and transmission;

(j) ‘guarantee of origin’ means an electronic document which has the sole function of providing proof to a final customer that a given share or quantity of energy was produced from renewable sources as required by Article 3(6) of Directive 2003/54/EC;

(k) ‘support scheme’ means any instrument, scheme or mechanism applied by a Member State or a group of Member States, that promotes the use of energy from renewable sources by reducing the cost of that energy, increasing the price at which it can be sold, or increasing, by means of a renewable energy obligation or otherwise, the volume of such energy purchased. This includes, but is not restricted to, investment aid, tax exemptions or reductions, tax refunds, renewable energy obligation support schemes including those using green certificates, and direct price support schemes including feed-in tariffs and premium payments;

(l) ‘renewable energy obligation’ means a national support scheme requiring energy producers to include a given proportion of energy from renewable sources in their production, requiring energy suppliers to include a given proportion of energy from renewable sources in their supply, or requiring energy consumers to include a given proportion of energy from renewable sources in their consumption. This includes schemes under which such requirements may be fulfilled by using green certificates;

The following issues from the Article 16, paragraph 2 point (c) and paragraph (3) of the Directive are also important:

2. Subject to requirements relating to the maintenance of the reliability and safety of the grid, based on transparent and non-discriminatory criteria defined by the competent national authorities:

(c) Member States shall ensure that when dispatching electricity generating installations, transmission system operators shall give priority to generating installations using renewable energy sources in so far as the secure operation of the national electricity system permits and based on transparent and non-discriminatory criteria. Member States shall ensure that appropriate grid and market-related operational measures are taken in order to minimise the curtailment of electricity produced from renewable energy sources. If significant measures are taken to curtail the renewable energy sources in order to guarantee the security of the national electricity system and security of energy supply, Member States shall ensure that the responsible system operators report to the competent regulatory authority on those measures and indicate which corrective measures they intend to take in order to prevent inappropriate curtailments.

3. Member States shall require transmission system operators and distribution system operators to set up and make public their standard rules relating to the bearing and sharing of costs of technical adaptations, such as grid connections and grid reinforcements, improved operation of the grid and rules on the non-discriminatory implementation of the grid codes, which are necessary in order to integrate new producers feeding electricity produced from renewable energy sources into the interconnected grid.

And finally the explanation given in the paragraphs (1) and (3) of the Article 5:

Calculation of the share of energy from renewable sources

1. The gross final consumption of energy from renewable sources in each Member State shall be calculated as the sum of:

- (a) gross final consumption of electricity from renewable energy sources;
- (b) gross final consumption of energy from renewable sources for heating and cooling; and
- (c) final consumption of energy from renewable sources in transport.

Gas, electricity and hydrogen from renewable energy sources shall be considered only once in point (a), (b), or (c) of the first subparagraph, for calculating the share of gross final consumption of energy from renewable sources.

3. For the purposes of paragraph 1(a), gross final consumption of electricity from renewable energy sources shall be calculated as the quantity of electricity produced in a Member State from renewable energy sources, excluding the production of electricity in pumped storage units from water that has previously been pumped uphill.

6. The share of energy from renewable sources shall be calculated as the gross final consumption of energy from renewable sources divided by the gross final consumption of energy from all energy sources, expressed as a percentage

Taking into account paragraphs 1, 2, 6 of the Article 5 the following equation for RES share could be written (for simplification of explanation only electricity will be considered so points b and c from the paragraph 6 will be disregarded assuming that those sectors are not existing. Moreover system will be observed as a closed one, without exchange of RES-E between the member states):

$$\frac{a}{b} = x \quad (30)$$

where a is the gross final consumption of energy from renewable sources in TWh and b is the gross final consumption of energy from all energy sources in TWh and x is the share of RES.

If we further assume that only intermittent sources wind, wave and solar are in the system, which means $x=1$, then $a = b$ or examined system is 100% renewable. 100% RES systems without energy storage need several times bigger RES capacities than necessary what could cause large curtailment and rejections of potential and what is more important the security of supply will be drastically reduced, from adequacy as well as system stability point of view.

Thus it is necessary to introduce energy storage in the system so equation (30) could be written as

$$\frac{a}{b} = \frac{a_t + a_s}{b_t + b_s + a_s} = x \quad (31)$$

where a_t is directly taken RES-E to the system, a_s is stored RES-E, b_t is consumption covered by the RES-E, b_s is consumption covered by the storage. The stored RES-E a_s has to be present in the numerator according Article 2 and Article 5 paragraph 6 as well as it has to be present in the denominator as required by definition (f) in the Article 2 and paragraphs 3 and 6 in the Article 5.

Physically in 100% RES a_t must be equal to b_t or

$$a_t = b_t \quad (32)$$

and if all stored energy is consumed within the year (so called closed storage balance),

$$b_s = \eta_s \cdot a_s \quad (33)$$

so 31 becomes

$$\frac{a_t + a_s}{a_t + \eta_s \cdot a_s + a_s} = x \quad (34)$$

or after solving

$$\frac{1}{1 + \frac{\eta_s \cdot a_s}{a}} = x \quad (35)$$

for 100% RES $x=1$ so

$$1 = 1 + \frac{\eta_s \cdot a_s}{a} \quad (36)$$

or

$$\frac{\eta_s \cdot a_s}{a} = 0 \quad (37)$$

the expression (37) is true only if a_s is 0 which is known from before (system without storage) the same is if η_s is 0 which is maximally inefficient storage and the third option is if a is

infinite but since $a = a_t + a_s$ and a_t for Europe or any member state will have real value and efficiency of storage $\eta_s < 1$ then the storage should be infinite.

As this is only theoretical discussion because there are very small chances that any member state will reach 100% RES system by 2020 still it has real implication on the member states and their obligation. This will be shown by the examples of calculations for Portugal and Croatia (assuming that RES excess should be disregarded for the simplicity of explanations).

According Figure 9, 19.2% of the consumption was satisfied by the fossil fuel and as there were no import the rest of consumption was satisfied by RES. It means that real share of RES was 80.8% but according the rules of directive the share that will be accepted is 78.36%.

It is calculated by the gross final consumption of energy from all energy sources b which in this case was only electricity, so

$$b = b_f + b_t \quad (38)$$

electricity from fossil fuel plants $b_f = 9.438$ TWh and RES electricity directly taken by the system b_t which is equal to a_t or in the calculated case 37.931 TWh.

Another important factors are stored RES-E a_s or 2.522 TWh and total efficiency of storage η_s which was set to 0.6864 so calculated RES share according Directive is:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{a}{b} &= \frac{a_t + a_s}{b_f + b_t + b_s + a_s} = \frac{a_t + a_s}{b_f + a_t + \eta_s \cdot a_s + a_s} = \frac{37.931 + 2.522}{9.438 + 37.931 + 0.6864 \cdot 2.522 + 2.522} \\ &= 0.7836 \end{aligned}$$

or 78.36% .

Even just theoretical the result proves that member states could be impaired in their achievements of RES 2020 targets. For hypothetical example for 2020 in some country real achieved share could be 20% of RES in the gross final energy consumption but according the rules of Directive 2009/28/EC and treatment of stored RES, it will be admitted only 18%. This conclusion has also several other implications as the policy of the European Union is to promote use of the storage technologies in order to increase the integration of renewable sources as explained in pervious subchapters while in the same time it has large barrier in its own Directive 2009/28/EC. It can also be concluded that directive is discriminative towards storage technologies and automatically guides the member states for increasing of the grid

capacities (in order to exchange and trade RES electricity) or instead of storage to promote the use of electric vehicles which then can act as storage (what is explained in further paragraphs).

By simplified models as explained by the equation (6) in H₂RES it is possible to constraint share of intermittent sources that can be taken by the system in order to have the safe operation. In other words this means that if no other resources that can ensure the grid stability are available (hydro, biomass, geothermal) fossil fuel blocks will provide 20% of regulating power or reserve necessary to keep the system on the safe side. Going below this limit will jeopardise the system operation and shall be forbidden and excluded as an option. If this situation occurs the system operator has only three options. Either to export if there are available export capacities, to fill storage if there are available storage capacities or to curtail and reject the RES production. The export will be possible only if regulation can be provided from the exported side (this is part of grid dynamics) or if the fossil fuel production is increased which automatically cause the increase of green house gas emissions as explained by the results of EnergyPLAN calculations. Taking into account Article 6 on the Statistical transfers between Member States each member state should calculate what is more beneficial to it, jointly work on the development of RES and maximise the reduction of the green house gas emissions or to try to satisfy goals with their own resources. The optimal deployment of RES, emissions trading, electricity trading and statistical exchange of RES between countries until 2020 is out of the scope of the thesis but in order to show the possible role and deployment of energy storage, the hypothetical example of Slovenia and Croatia will be examined.

Assuming that Slovenia has installed 1000 MW of coal power plant emitting 820 tCO₂/GWh and if Croatia has installed 1000 MW of combined cycle gas power plants emitting 420 tCO₂/GWh, additional 1000 MW of wind power plants and if both countries have the same load of 1000 MW for one hour with 50% RES penetration limit in the Croatian system or the same value if both systems are regulated together, 5 cases are put to discussion.

- Case A where Slovenia is producing all needs by coal PP and Croatia is curtailing 500 MW of wind
- Case B where Slovenia has reduced production of coal and importing 500 MW from Croatia and providing reserve for the system stabilisation

- Case C where coal power plant has been shut down in Slovenia and all electricity is imported from Croatia
- Case D where Slovenia is producing all needs from coal while Croatia is operating 500 MW PHS in a pumping mode
- Case E where Slovenia is producing all needs from coal while Croatia is charging electric cars with connected power of 500 MW

The results of analysis of 5 cases are given in Table 31. As expected the best scenario for the both countries in which the highest RES share and lowest CO₂ emissions are achieved is the case C when the coal power plant in Slovenia is shut down and system is stabilized by CC in Croatia while all wind energy is exported. In this way Slovenia could save 820 tCO₂ per hour while Croatia has increased emission but has achieved 100% RES share (calculated according directive). The best case for Croatia is case D when all wind is taken while half of load is met by CC power plant which means that coal plant in Slovenia reduced power for 50% and the rest is covered by wind production from Croatia. As there will certainly be trade of RES share and CO₂ allowances in following decade, it is on both countries to agree on the optimal scenario. Cases D and E represents use of storage for increasing the RES share. As discussed before, even a simple model points out that according the current directive exchange of RES excess will have priority over the storage technologies and conclusion can be drawn that members states should first upgrade their grid connections, work to maximise exchange capacities, joint integration and stability studies and projects and after that try to deploy storage capacities. This conclusion is made on the basis of the best way to satisfy directive on RES and CO₂ reduction goals from the point of view of the EU goals, not the security of supply of each country, its market development and profitability of the national and local utilities.

Table 31. Share of RES and CO₂ emissions for examined cases of SI-HR.

	A		B		C		D		E	
	RES	CO ₂ [t]	RES	CO ₂ [t]	RES	CO ₂ [t]	RES	CO ₂ [t]	RES	CO ₂ [t]
SI	0	820	0	410	0	0	0	820	0	820
HR	0.5	210	1	210	1	420	0.67	210	0.67	210
SI-HR	0.25	1030	0.5	620	0.5	420	0.40	1030	0.40	1030

There are also two other implications that comes from the simple example and which are related to the charging of the electric vehicles. According the directive electricity from renewable energy sources could also be included in the final consumption of energy from renewable sources in transport but then it shall be deducted from the calculations for gross

final consumption of electricity from renewable energy sources. Furthermore, when calculating the share of renewable energy sources in the transport the Member States may choose to use either the average share of electricity from renewable energy sources in the Community or the share of electricity from renewable energy sources in their own country as measured two years before the year in question. The another important issue is that for the calculation of the electricity from renewable energy sources consumed by electric road vehicles, that consumption shall be considered to be 2.5 times the energy content of the input of electricity from renewable energy sources (Directive 2009/28/EC).

This means that if member state plans to achieve part of 10% share of energy from renewable sources in all forms of transport in 2020 it needs to maximise the production of RES-E in 2018, if by doing this it will manage to reach the RES share above the average share in the Community. If country is or going to satisfy the 2020 goal by the RES electricity from the wind energy then it should build the most of capacities in 2017 or due to logistics problems even 2-3 years before. Of course the timing of installations should be optimized if wind installations will be supported trough feed in tariffs or other mechanism (taking into account fuel and emission savings on the one side and the present value of social costs on the other side). There is also possibility for creating the bottleneck in supply of the wind turbines if the countries realize that they will not be able to reach the goals with planned installations and the industry will not have the capacity to produce the market needs 2-3 years before 2020). Furthermore as explained in the Table 31 the member state could increase own RES share by forcing RES export to other member states, so by doing this in 2018 it can achieve higher RES share, while at the same time reducing CO₂ emissions in the importing countries (as presented in Table 31). So if the electrification of the transport is selected goal of the member state for supplying the 10% of RES share in all modes of transport, and the member state will have in 2018 higher RES share in the gross final consumption of electricity than average RES share in gross final consumption of electricity of the EU then it is desirable for member state not to promote the buying of electric vehicles until 2018 as it will increase country electricity consumption and automatically decrease achieved RES share. This member state must have massive electrification and support for electric vehicles in 2019 which will then allow to transfer as much as possible RES-E to the transport sector that will be calculated with share of RES-E in gross final consumption of electricity from 2018. As this amount will be deducted from the nominator of equation (32) for calculating the RES share in gross final consumption of electricity but it will be automatically added to the same place (nominator) in the similar

equation for calculation of gross final consumption of energy in transport but with the factor 2.5 and RES-E share from 2018 and thus automatically increasing total RES share.

This can be showed on the example of Croatian case study for 2020 calculated by the EnergyPLAN model. According the rules for calculation of gross final consumption of energy from RES set in the Directive, following RES shares are calculated that will be achieved, total RES share in the gross final consumption of energy 18.2% , while the share of RES in gross final consumption of energy in transport will be 9.69%. The both numbers indicates that Croatia will not reach the targets of the directive but if the RES electricity is transferred to the transport sector and if the share of RES-E in 2018 will be the same as calculated RES-E share in 2020, then the achieved share of RES gross final consumption of energy in transport will be 10.8% while total share GFEC will be reduced to 17.9%. Even reduced total RES share in gross final consumption of energy, by transferring RES-E to transport sector Croatia will be able to fulfil at least one goal set by the directive.

But if it is assumed that all installations for 2020 will be installed in 2018 and that wind power will be increased to 2000 MW then additional 1.91 TWh of wind energy will be produced with additional export of 0.83TWh. In this case share of RES in gross final consumption of energy will rise to 20.1% and the share of RES-E will be 47.6% (with assumed normalized hydropower production according the roles of directive and data for period 1998-2011 and calculated production in 2020, the wind energy has not been normalized). This will give much better position in 2020, and with big support for changing old petrol driven cars into EV that will cover exported 0.83 TWh and in the same time replace 3 TWh of petrol, the following RES share in gross final consumption of energy is achieved 19.6% while the share of RES in gross final consumption of energy in transport will be 16.7%. More over as the Croatian 20% target is still not reached because there were consumption of 0.3 TWh of electric vehicles in the transport in 2018 (as it was observed with data from 2020) if this consumption is removed the share of RES in gross final consumption of energy rises to 20% which fulfils the Croatian target for share of RES in gross final consumption of energy in 2020. This action reduced the RES in gross final consumption of energy for transport to 15.3% which is still 5.3% above mandatory target, and which also means that amount of biofuels on the market could be reduced by 1.2 TWh or 131 million litters of biodiesel and still fulfilling the mandatory target of 10%. As this examples are just theoretical, eg. it will be hard for Croatia to increase the number of EV in one year to (300-500 thousands) or to related numbers that will cover assumed consumption, some other bigger

countries as Germany or France that have strong car industry may exploit this opportunity while Croatian touristic sector also can be promoter of transport electrification in 2019 and 2020. The examples point out on additional opportunities regarding EV and some understatements in the Directive regarding treatment of energy storage so if the directive will not be changed during the revision in 2015 it will mean that storage (as PHS or CAES as only currently large storage facility) for many countries is not an option as it will not contribute to increase of the RES share in gross final consumption of energy as it could be done by the export or EV.

As proven by the examples, according the RES Directive, electricity that is used by the pumped storage is counted in the gross final consumption of energy, which means if used, it will increase the amount of energy from renewable sources that should be satisfied in year 2020. On the other hand, all of electricity that is produced by wind power plants (directly taken from the grid or used to pump water uphill or for any other dump load) will be counted in the gross final consumption of electricity from renewable energy sources.

However, even supporting the uptake of RES by prescribing mandatory target for each member state and providing literary support to installation of storage facilities it is impossible to reach 100% RES independent system using the energy storage in the power sector by the explanation and prescribed accounting of the current Directive. This means that 100% RES systems (from the point of yearly balancing and roles set in directive) could be only achieved by export of RES or in small local systems that will not be taken into statistics as consumers.

The support of wind power integration by means of a pumped hydro facility could be beneficial for islands but also for constrained power systems.

To be able to recognize benefits of PHS framework is proposed to formalize the share of the RES power generation which is used to pump the water in order to assess, on the level of a country, the way the pumped hydro could increase RES-E penetration and its contribution to the national RES targets. Increasing the RES-E penetration by use of pumped hydro is still possible due to large difference between gross electricity consumption and RES production. When this difference is small, benefits of pumped storage regarding increasing of RES share under current Directive are neglected. However, the Directive stresses the need to take into account the holistic cost of generating electricity and also that the main policy objectives are not simply economic but also environmental and health related.

Financial compensation ought to be paid if renewable energy generators are curtailed where the curtailment is necessary for safety and reliability reasons. A strong support to the storage technologies has been given in preamble of the RES Directive, where it is stated that there is a need to support the integration of energy from renewable sources into the transmission and distribution grid and the use of energy storage systems for integration of intermittent production of energy from renewable sources. The same support is also reflected through the Article 16 of the Directive dealing with the Access to and operation of the grids. “Member States shall take the appropriate steps to develop transmission and distribution grid infrastructure, intelligent networks, storage facilities and the electricity system, in order to allow the secure operation of the electricity system as it accommodates the further development of electricity production from renewable energy sources, including interconnection between Member States and between Member States and third countries. Member States shall also take appropriate steps to accelerate authorisation procedures for grid infrastructure and to coordinate approval of grid infrastructure with administrative and planning procedures.”

3.8.11. Potentials for the PHS in Croatian Energy System

Croatian Transmission System Operator HEP-OPS has regulated the installation of wind capacities at 360 MW, due to technical limits and specificities of the Croatian power system. However the perspectives for installing more wind power capacities show a wide emerging wind energy market at around 6900 MW of potential installations [153], according to the high wind potential and good site locations which the country possesses.

With plans for an increasing amount of variable electricity production in order to meet the 2020 targets, it is generally acknowledged that Europe needs to move towards a fully integrated and flexible European electricity network and market [148]. Increased spatial diversity: improved forecasting, market-based approaches, such as adjustment of the power market designs, time-of-use, demand control, real-time pricing; and grid technology options: cross-border interconnections, high-voltage direct current (HVDC) lines, power flow control technologies, smart meters, etc. are among the main enabling options for the technologies and techniques to accommodate and mitigate variability. There is a consensus within the electricity sector that electricity storage has the potential to play a complementary role alongside those options for improving the manageability, controllability, predictability and flexibility of supply and demand power flows of the European power system [154].

If the Croatian wind power potential is exploited accordingly, the fluctuations generated could increase, especially for a relatively correlated wind power generation along the Croatian coast. However, the operation of new PHS units could reduce this intermittency if their operation is oriented towards an active regulation and control of the Croatian power system in order to allow for more system flexibility and reliability. PHS units could easily utilize a critical excess of electricity production from wind or other intermittent sources. While the existing hydropower plants could be included in system regulation (currently only three are included in P/f regulation) and contribute to grid support. This would enable more wind and other non-firm renewables into the system.

Wind excess or curtailment, capacities of pumps and turbines are not the only factors relevant for construction of PHS system. Other important factors are capacities of reservoirs, difference in their elevations and water availability, evaporation and geology of terrain. In order to optimize all important factors regarding technical and economical aspects of PHS system and to determine their capacity, detailed hourly analysis of power system should be conducted with detailed grid data and historical time series of power loads, hydrological and meteorological data.

The part of investment costs in PHS systems could be avoided if the potential sites for their installation are located near current reservoirs of hydropower plants or near other natural and artificial lakes. As Croatia has few natural lakes, which are mostly in nature protected areas, potential sites could be located near artificial lakes. Table 32 shows the potential locations of PHS system near artificial lakes in Croatia. Lakes and reservoirs stated in Table 32 are located in southern and western parts of Croatia. There are also lakes in northern and eastern parts as the lakes on the river Drava or the Lake Borovik on the River Vuka with the capacity of $8 \times 10^6 \text{ m}^3$ but there are no significant height differences in terrain around these lakes so they have not been taken into account. Nevertheless, if combined with irrigation flood protection and even soil drainage, some lower heads or specific locations could be utilized, and therefore integration of flows in storage assessment is important.

The detailed search for available sites for PHS systems could be carried out with the use of computer programs. The detailed search for available sites for PHS systems could be done by the use of computer programs. Authors in [155] presented a computer program that scans a terrain and identifies if there are any feasible PHS sites on it. A brief description of the program is provided by authors [100] including the limitations identified during the initial

development. The program was used to evaluate a 20 km x 40 km area in the South West of Ireland and the results obtained from this study are discussed in the same publication.

Table 32. Larger artificial lakes in Croatia [117].

Lake	Max. volume [10⁶ m³]	Surface [km²]	Basic use
Peruća	570.9	20	HPP Peruća, HPP Zakućac, HPP Đale, HPP Kraljevac
Kruščica	142.0	8.6	HPP Sklope, HPP Senj
Lokvarka	35.2	1.79	PHS Fužine, HPP Vinodol
Štikada	13.6	2.71	PHS Velebit
Prančevići	6.8	0.65	HPP Zakućac
Lepenica	4.5	0.73	HPP Lepenica, HPP Vinodol
Sabljadi	4.1	1.35	HPP Gojak
Đale	3.7	0.46	HPP Đale
Opsenica	4.3	3	PHS Velebit
Gusić	1.6	0.4	HPP Senj
Bajer	1.5	0.36	HPP Vinodol
Botonega	22.1	2.42	flood protection, water supply
Ričice	35.2	-	flood protection, irrigation
Letaj	8.3	0.74	flood protection, irrigation

3.8.12. FIT recommendations for PHS in Croatia

The most promising solution in construction of PHS for Croatia will be extension of current storage hydropower plants. It could be done by adding of lower or upper reservoirs and constructing of pumping stations where turbines and penstocks are not suited for reversible operations. A possible development of feed-in tariffs (FIT) for PHS in the mainland is applied to the case of hydropower plant HE Vinodol and its reservoirs.

The HE Vinodol is a part of complex hydrological and hydropower system constituted from several lakes (reservoirs), hydropower plants, pumping stations and penstocks [156]. The water collecting area is not particularly large (about 80 km²), but its key benefit is that most of the upper reservoirs are located at a height above 700 m, which gives 658 m of gross head of the HE Vinodol. Dimension and use of lakes/reservoirs for HE Vinodol are presented in Table 33.

System has been in operation since 1952 and in 1985 the system was expanded to include the pump storage power plant Lepenica. The main parts of the HE Vinodol are explained in [156]. The main parts are Lokvarka dam and reservoir, Fužine pump storage power plant and Bajer reservoir, Lepenica dam and reservoir, Lepenica pump storage plant, Križ pumping station,

Lič pumping station, Lokvarka-Ličanka tunnel, Križ connecting tunnel, Lič pipeline, Kobljak-Razromir tunnel, penstock and powerhouse of Vinodol power plant.

Total installed capacity of HE Vinodol is 94.5 MW (3 generating sets x 2 turbines x 15.75 MW) with maximum annual production achieved in the period ('76-'06) 197 GWh and average yearly production 139 GWh.

Table 33. Dimension and use of lakes/reservoirs for HE Vinodol.

Lake	Max. volume [10⁶ m³]	Surface [km²]	Hydropower plant
Lepenica	4.5	0.73	HE Lepenica, HE Vinodol
Lokvarka	35.2	1.79	CHE Fužine, HE Vinodol
Bajer	1.5	0.36	HE Vinodol
Tribalj	1.5	0.46	HE Vinodol, lower reservoir

If the volumes of all upper reservoirs are combined, the maximal potential energy stored in the upper reservoirs for HE Vinodol alone is around 70 GWh. Annual capacity factors are in the range of 16.8% for an average year, while a factor of 23.8% was achieved in the year with the maximum annual production. There have been plans to build PHS Vinodol II which will consist of pump and turbine station, penstocks and additional upper reservoir as described in [156].

It is assumed for the purposes of this study that the new upper lake for PHS Vinodol will have a total volume of 5.491.235 m³, which is more than double the size of the planned upper Razromir reservoir given in [156], while the assumed height will be lower than those assumed in the same publication, i.e. somewhere between 770-780 metres above sea level. The assumed roundtrip efficiency of PHS calculated by equation 15 is 0.7832.

In order to present general overview of possibilities for PHS construction and FIT recommendations, following calculations have been done:

- a) FIT for adding a pump station, penstock and upper reservoir to the existing hydropower plant
- b) FIT for adding a pump station and upper reservoir while partly using old penstock of the existing hydropower plant
- c) FIT for construction of new PHS, including pump station, new turbines, penstocks and upper or lower reservoir
- d) FIT for construction of new PHS, including new pumps and turbines, penstocks, upper and lower reservoir

In all calculations it is assumed that four new pumps will be installed, each with a rated power of 34 MW. This reference scenario, called Case a), is analysed in parallel with a scenario called Case b) where only 300 m of additional penstocks result in lower investment costs than in Case a). Alternatively, two cases – Case c) and Case d) – are tested where 4 new PHTs are installed (30 MW each), parallel penstock and additional lower reservoir respectively, with the same capacity as the upper reservoir.

The costs for all cases are estimated according to the formulas and assumptions for the PHS and WHPS cost estimation explained in [157] and they are discussed in the chapter 3.8.2. while for the case of PHS Vindol they are presented in the Annex E.

The only difference from the recommended values in [105] are $C_{0,p}$ factor which has been increased to 2000 due to use of the large pumps with variable speed drive, which are not so common on the market and it is assumed that new penstocks will be constructed without insulation.

Estimation of costs of PHS system according formula given by can be used only for the first evaluation and grading of similar projects, , as a more detailed analysis should be employed for each proposed PHS system in the same group of used technology. The disadvantage of using empirical formulas proposed for new installations of overall PHS system for calculations of different options within one particular system can be seen in Annex E, where costs of the grid connection have been calculated differently for the units with the same size of pumps and PHTs. Similar results will be achieved only if reservoir size is varied, as the costs of grid connection, control systems, personnel, etc. are considered as a percentage of the basic equipment cost (PHTs, pumps, penstocks and reservoirs).

FIT are analysed for three sets of capacity factors of turbines/generators that corresponds to 10%, 20% and 30% full load hours or energy equivalent. Results for 10% and for 20% and 30% are presented in Annex E.

Stepped tariff is easily calculated by equations given in Table 34 and they are presented in the Table 34. The tariff stimulate PHS to operate in the pumping mode even more hours than contracted and as the investment is returned by 1750 hours the tariff afterword it only depends on the price of the wind electricity and variable operation costs that are covered by increase. Instead stepped FIT the PHS could also operate on free market. This operation is described at the end of chapter.

Table 34. FIT according to different capacity factor for contracted 1750 full load hours.

Working hours at full load (or energy equivalent),	FIT
<1750 h	selected value Table48 – Annex E
1750-2750	131.3 €/MWh
>2750	125.1 €/MWh

If the PHS in the Case a) will be used to pump water uphill when guaranties of origin for used electricity could not be ensured, for example if electricity is bought on the spot market, in order to cover the investment and operation costs and insure desirable payback, the lowest selling price of electricity from PHS should be calculated by adding O&M costs of turbine part and spot market price of taken electricity for pumping divided by PHS efficiency, to the costs of the electricity production without the cost of the wind electricity for pumping stated in Annex E). The costs in Case d) are equal to the costs of installing a complete new PHS system.

The formalized approach used in this study enabled an order of magnitude to be calculated for the supporting schemes of PHS contributing directly to the wind power integration in the Croatian power system. This level varies with the cost of the electricity in excess sold to the PHS operator, with the technical parameters of the PHS system to operate during one year, with the number of pumps and penstocks installed which could lower the investment cost, with the pre-determined contractual conditions such as the number of years to pay back the capital cost and the rate of return agreed by both regulator and PHS investor.

As a synthesis of results presented in our calculus, when the electricity from wind excess is charged for free, the FIT-GO varies in the range of 42-141 €/MWh for an average capacity factor of 20% (1750 FLH). This range is wider for a lower number of operating hours (84-283 €/MWh for 870 FLH) and is lower for higher generation rates (28-94 €/MWh at 2630 FLH).

When the electricity charged is at fixed tariff, 97.5 €/MWh, the level of FIT_GO naturally increases and attains margins of 166-265 €/MWh for 1750 FLH, 209-408 €/MWh for 870 FLH and 152-218 €/MWh at 2630 FLH.

These levels are to be analysed by both regulator and investor when setting the profitability of a PHS project. The reasonable range for both agents is the average number of FLH of 20% yearly, which could enable the PHS operator, where it is technically possible, to improve the business prospects by operating on other market segments and diversifying the risks and the

benefits. This would provide an opportunity for the PHS operator to cumulate all possible benefits it can obtain on the market and to benefit from the market price volatility which is the main business driver of the storage. From a system perspective, it could also benefit from wind power support from all the services that PHS can provide, given its technically proven characteristics, such as rapid response time, high seasonal storage capacity, fast switching of charging-discharging operations and an unlimited number of cycles.

Since market opportunities are hampered by reduced connection capacities in the Croatian islands, another business case applies to entire or partial remote areas. Therefore, this study analyses the level of FIT_GO for those investors who might choose island locations for their projects.

3.8.13. Feed in Tariffs for PHS in the Croatian Islands

In general, PHS systems are not geologically suited for Croatian islands, as most of them do not have natural or artificial lakes with potable or fresh water; moreover, lower precipitation in such schemes on the islands will require a large water collecting area which will be hard to implement on porous ground and with significant evaporation during summer months. All the populated islands of Croatia are connected to a mainland grid, so it is easy to export/import electricity and most of them have water pipelines that are also connected to the mainland in order to satisfy their water needs. PHS systems will only make sense if the islands want to become more independent from the import of resources from the mainland and if they would like to integrate PHS systems with water supply network and irrigation for agriculture.

The most interesting island for PHS systems is the Island of Cres, as it has the natural lake Vransko Jezero with a surface area of 5.745 km² and a volume of potable water of 220 x 10⁶ m³; it also has possibilities for the construction of an upper reservoir at promising heights of 200-400 metres above sea level, plus the island of Krk with two artificial lakes, Jezero and Ponikve, and scope for reservoirs at lower levels.

Vransko Jezero on the Island of Cres is a specific protected area, so the case study for the Croatian Islands will be based on the case of the Ponikve artificial lake on the Island of Krk. The maximum volume of water in Lake Ponikve is 2.65 x 10⁶ m³ with a water level at +19.01 meters above the sea level. There is a possibility to construct an upper reservoir approximately 2000 metres from the lake at the height of approximately 200 m above sea level.

For the calculated case, it was assumed that an upper reservoir of $1 \times 10^6 \text{ m}^3$, pump and PHT station with two pumps/turbines of 5 MW each and two penstocks would be constructed. Water management and evaporation have not been included in pre-feasibility study but they are important factors and must be assessed for each PHS system separately.

Costs for the case of PHS on the Island of Krk are estimated similar to costs in the case of PHS on the mainland, according methodology presented in chapter 3.8.1 and they are presented in the table of Annex E. Assumed FIT for solar photovoltaic electricity that will be used for pumping is at is 0.15 €/kWh.

$\text{FIT}_{\text{PHS}_{\text{WGO}}}$ for PHS in the case on the Island of Krk is calculated according eq.5 and presented in Annex E as well as the cost of electricity production from PHS without price of energy. Capacity factor of turbines in PHS is 20% or 1750 of full load hours. FiT according to capacity factor is also presented in Annex E.

3.8.14. Conclusion on FIT for storage technologies

The European electricity market is still fragmented. The different operational and regulatory approaches, and different markets structures, have variable consequences for energy storage. In particular there is little incentive for energy storage to be introduced in many European electricity markets that do not yet have full liberalisation and transparency.

This case study in thesis analysed conditions under which a PHS project could be integrated in the supporting mechanism developed in Croatia for the integration of wind power generation. At EU level, this regulatory frame set by the Directive 2009/28/EC, provides conditions for the integration of renewables and Member States decide on the supporting financial level for those generators which allow to attain the target. Since PHS has the same finality, namely it increases the RES generation by avoiding the power curtailment by storing the excess or by providing ancillary services, the financing of PHS through a tariff system could be considered through regulation combined with market financial mechanisms (public-private partnerships, tax incentives, etc.)

A clear regulatory framework which guarantees the payment of the capital cost and a reasonable rate of return would make clearer the business environment for investors, for both storage and RES operators. The link with the market by power prices and a periodical revision would allow splitting the risk between consumers and investors and would further create conditions for a competitive market operation.

As indicated by FAST method and calculations for a 100% RES Croatia the flexibility of the system and related RES integration could be increased with several technologies so it is not necessary to support just one storage technology through FIT as funds for the support of RES are usually limited so optimal support may be in their combination. Regulatory authority then may choose what to support and by which mechanisms. PHS in the islands could be part of hybrid system integrated with desalination and water supply network or irrigation and fire protection system. In this case the burden for investment could be also passed to the water consumers or any other user of services.

4. CONSLUSIONS AND RECOMENDATIONS

4.1. The Role of Energy Storage in a Planning of 100% Renewable Energy Systems

4.1.1. *Energy storage and 100%RES systems*

As it was assumed at the beginning of research on the role of the energy storage in a planning of 100% RES systems, the storage form essential part of these systems, as without it the installed capacities of all components in the system, due to seasonal variability of primary sources (wind, solar, hydro, wave) not so variable but still limited biomass resources and not so accessible geothermal potential, will need to be several times bigger than required and they will still not providing certain level of security of supply, on the other hand connections with other power areas may smooth the supply curves and enable 100% RES systems without storage but then the problem of intermittency should be assessed with another constraints and parameters of flexibility, storage and interconnections which will then represent just bigger area. Thus, energy storage plays important role in both, the production side as it is showed by large PHS systems, heat storages in large CHP plants or on the demand and distribution size as shown by the electric vehicles and most of demand side measures that include heat storages, cold storage, and other demand side measures as desalination, or in future production of hydrogen and synthetic fuels.

From the global point of view the advantage of electricity storage, comes mostly from the advantage of electricity as an energy vector as it most widespread and electrification has reached even rural areas. While on the global level large storage capacities as PHS or hydrogen production facilities could help in congestion management of big power lines. The storage on the local level for example at the distribution substation or even in each house will help in reduction of distribution losses.

The results of analysis of Croatian Islands showed that they could become 100% RES systems as they have very favourable wind and solar potential that just need to be coupled by appropriate energy storage [28] as hydrogen and heat storages for the islands of Losinj or Mljet and batteries for the Island of Unije. As calculated integration of RES and storage system could have positive effect on the employment on the islands. The results of measurements and calculated wind production from the island of Brac (location W10 in Annex) show very good wind potential even on measured heights. In 2004 Croatian

government forbid installation of wind turbines on the islands and thus, as it has been shown by current calculations jeopardised sustainable development and security of energy supply on the islands. It will be good to reconsider government decision as new measurements just proved the old hypothesis that wind potential on Croatian islands is very favourable for utilization.

4.1.2. Energy Storage and Strategic Planning of Energy Systems

To begin creating 100% RES system it is good to start with smaller systems such as individual houses, city blocks or the islands while in the same time start to deploy renewable energy sources on the bigger scale in the energy and transport sector. As results have shown after the certain level of RES penetration in the closed and independent system taking into account current constraints, technological development and assumptions introduced in the case studies the further development towards 100% RES system is only possible by introduction of energy storage technology or interconnection with the adjacent regions.

Renewislands/ADEG methodology , FAST methodology were coupled to form RESTEP methodology that represents new view in the planning of 100% RES systems as it points out benefits of energy storage not just to bridge the gap in production and demand but also to increase system flexibility and help system stability.

4.2. Recommendation for Integration of Energy and Resources Flows

Integration of different flows have been proposed with several functions. Increasing of efficiency in the system as in the example of CHP plants for Croatian power system, which is previously discussed in many works in Denmark, while the connection of intermittent resources as PV with cold storage has not been previously discussed on regional and national level.

The energy storage supports integration of several energy vectors (carriers) electricity, heat, cold, transport fuels, thus making not just more efficient system but reducing the costs of 100% RES system that relays on intermittent sources. In the normal systems storage is adding the total costs of the system and it can be only profitable in market circumstances by doing market arbitrage, buying low and selling high or in the another words when marginal prices of producing energy from the storage are lower than market selling prices which will be hardly achieved in future systems as renewable sources will most probably reduce the price difference between peak hours and off-peak low load. The pumped storage can be integrated

with water consumption, desalination plant, water irrigation, flood and fire protection. Batteries are integrated with electric cars and transport sector. Heat pumps with heat and cold storage.

4.3. Recommendations for the Development of Models

As the energy systems will become more and more complex due to decentralization, distributed generation and variability of primary sources as well as variability caused by further market liberalization and expansion, the models for energy planning must become more sophisticated and adopted to different user needs. They need to serve spatial planning offices, government institutions, investors and energy traders. Renewislands/ADEG/RESTEP and FAST methodology are qualitative and can provide general answers and areas worth further investigation and thus save time and resources for general planning but also they point out benefits that may come from integration of energy storage, energy and resources flows.

Closed system calculations of national system of Portugal enabled a better overview of accessible energy technologies but also point out certain limitations of the H₂RES program that has restricted development of more detailed and optimised results. The used model accepts only a single reversible hydro installation (similar as EnergyPLAN), and this should be reprogrammed in order to gain quality results that will enable modelling of larger energy systems with more geographically dispersed units. The aggregation of production and storage capacities can provide valid results as both models were able to reproduce the system behaviour in referent years but the needs of markets, behaviour of single player or group of them and thus power plants dispatching will certainly need more attention in future planning and models should be able to provide certain optimization on dispatching not based only on the marginal costs of production or fuel and emission savings.

There is no automatic optimization in H₂RES based on cost, and the environmental and social parameters arising from each technology. By optimising these parameters, the model will provide more sustainable solutions that should now be calculated separately.

Without cost optimisation, the order of generation and priority of storages is set deterministically by the limitation equations in the model. Consequently, if there is no penetration limit, the model forces a certain technology to its maximum or to the maximum available potential, without giving priority to lower costing technology or production during certain hours. This was main reasons to switch the modelling of Croatian energy system to EnergyPLAN which provides both technical and market optimization. However the both

models are made only for one year calculations so longer scenarios with time periods eg. 20-40 years and time step of 5 years seek for manual work that is mostly related for setting up new parameters on supply and demand and checking the financial analysis. The automation of scenario calculations could save a lot of time and certainly provide better overview of results. It could also lead to better financial analysis without discrimination of RES and storage technologies as discussed in the conclusion of the Chapter 3.1.1. The evaluation of possible jobs created or lost in the energy industry should become essential parts of models.

H₂RES and EnergyPLAN models if used for calculations of national energy systems should be adopted to provide results according to the statistical publications. Energy storage will play a major role in the development of future energy systems and it should be integrated in the models in the way that all benefits of storage could be recognized, as storage allows bigger flexibility of the system, it helps utilization of RES, can provide ancillary services and participate in the market arbitrage.

4.4. Further Analysis of Modelling Results

Going to the core of any element of energy system, it is related to energy use or energy needs of community or a certain customer. Even more general, needs are related to a certain space (or simplified and projected to the Earth), land surface, similar to that every space or volume on Earth's surface will have possibility for energy production and supply, which will be, in the case of renewable energy systems, directly linked to the potential of renewable energy sources on that surface or related volume above and below the surface. Similar to physical characteristic of the matter limited within some borders, the certain space from the energy system point of view, in the certain time frame, could have following five basic states/processes: consumption (consuming-transforming), production-generation (generating-transforming), storage (storing-charging-discharging), import and export. It could take all the states in the same time, all of their combination or non. If convention is set as represented on Figure 46, that production, import and storage discharge are treated as source (they make positive balance) while consumption, export and storage charging are treated as energy sinks then following energy equation can be assumed:

$$P+C+S+I+E=0 \tag{39}$$

Taking into account limitations and constraints on available capacities in certain space and within predefined time step the programs will be required to solve relatively simple balancing equation.

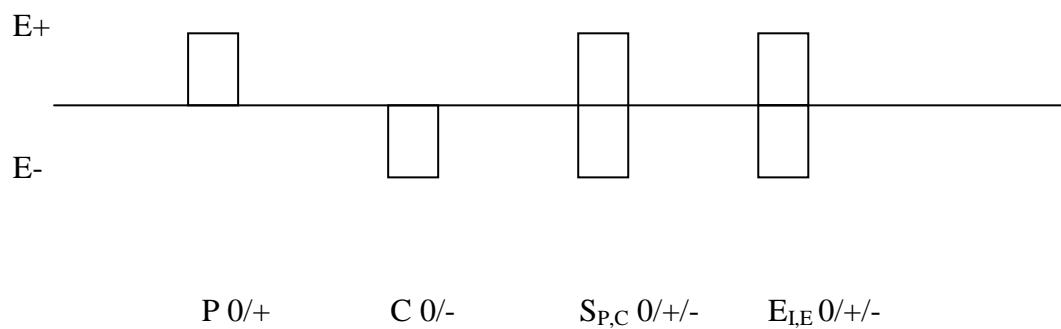


Figure 46. Basic structure for development of energy planning programs.

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ANNEX A - Renewislands methodology

As presented by Duić et. al. in “RenewIslands methodology for sustainable energy and resource planning for islands”, Renewable and Sustainable Energy Reviews 12 (2008) 1032–1062.

RenewIslands Methodology

The RenewIslands methodology is based on a four steps analysis approach that has to be applied to an island:

1. Mapping the island’s needs
2. Mapping the island’s resources
3. Devising scenaria with technologies that can use available resources to cover the needs
4. Modelling the scenaria

The described methodology is actually general and can be applied to systems other than islands. The islands’ specificities arise at more detailed level, when characterising the needs and resources and assessing the feasibility of the system, as classifying the different options will be based on islands conditionings.

The needs are commodities that the local community demands, not only energy (electricity, heat, cold, transport fuel, etc.), but also all other types of commodities (or utilities in the old command jargon), like water, waste treatment, wastewater treatment, etc., that might or might not depend on energy supply.

The resources are locally available ones, like wind, sun, geothermal energy, ocean energy, hydro potential, water resources, but also imported ones like grid electricity, piped or shipped natural gas, oil derivatives or oil, water shipped, the potential to dump waste and wastewater, etc.

The technologies can be commercial energy conversion technologies, like thermal, hydro and wind electricity generation or solar thermal water heating, commercial water, waste and wastewater treatment technologies including desalination, or emerging technologies, like geothermal energy usage, solar electricity conversion systems, or technologies in development, like fuel cells, wave energy, etc.

The scenaria should try to satisfy one or several needs, by using available resources, and satisfying preset criteria. Due to global warming and falling reserves, and sometimes security

of supply problems, fossil fuels should generally be used as the option of last resort in setting scenarios, even though they will often provide the most economically viable solution with the current price levels, and advantage should be given to locally available renewable resources.

Step 1: mapping the needs

In order to map the needs, a questionnaire should be answered. The level of need for each commodity has to be defined locally, but generally, in order to have sustainable development, water and electricity will always be highly demanded, no matter what is the demand per person, or total actual demand, unless it is a community of only few households, that can then use individual solutions. Heat demand will be deemed high in cold climates, as cold will be deemed high in hot climates. Waste treatment and wastewater treatment will depend on the ability of local environment to absorb the dumped amounts.

Table 35. Mapping the island/remote area community needs.

Needs	Level	Geographic distribution	Code	Level	Distribution
Electricity	Low, Medium or High	Dispersed, Concentrated	Elect	+L/M/H/-	+D/C/-
Heat	Low, Medium or High	Dispersed, Concentrated	Heat	+L/M/H/-	+D/C/-
Cold	Low, Medium or High	Dispersed, Concentrated	Cold	+L/M/H/-	+D/C/-
Transport fuel	Low, Medium or High	Short, long distance	Tran	+L/M/H/-	+S/L/-
Water	Low, Medium or High	Dispersed, Concentrated	Water	+L/M/H/-	+D/C/-
Waste treatment	Low, Medium or High	Dispersed, Concentrated	Waste	+L/M/H/-	+D/C/-
Wastewater treatment	Low, Medium or High	Dispersed, Concentrated	WWT	+L/M/H/-	+D/C/-

Step 2: mapping the resources

Table 36. Mapping the island/remote area available resources.

Resource	Level	Code			
Local primary energy					
Wind	Low, Medium or High	Wind	WindL	WindM	WindH
Solar	Low, Medium or High	Solar	SolarL	SolarM	SolarH
Hydro (height)	Low, Medium or High	Hydro	HydroL	HydroM	HydroH
Biomass	Low, Medium or High	Biom	BiomL	BiomM	BiomH
Geothermal	Low, Medium or High	Geoth	GeothL	GeothM	GeothH
Energy import infrastructure					
Grid connection	None, Weak, Strong	Grid	GridN	GridW	GridS
Natural gas pipeline	No, Yes	NGpl	NGplN		NGplY
LNG terminal	No, Yes	LNGt	LNGtN		LNGtY
Oil terminal/refinery	No, Yes	OilR	OilRN		OilRY
Oil derivatives terminal	No, Yes	OilD	OilDN		OilDY
Water					
Precipitation	Low, Medium or High	H2OP	H2OPL	H2OPM	H2OPH
Ground water	Low, Medium or High	H2OG	H2OGL	H2OGM	H2OGH
Water pipeline	No, Yes	Aqua	AquaN		AquaY
Sea water	No, Yes	H2OS	H2OSN		H2OSY

Definition of level of the quality of a resource depends on the particular technology, and is not locally dependent. Those values are generally known. On the other hand, as conventional energy costs are higher in islands due to their isolation, endogenous resources that would not

be competitive in other regions may become competitive if compared to the difficulties and costs of imported resources in islands. For example, in islands wind energy may become economically competitive for wind regimes characterized by lower wind speeds than in mainland regions.

It is possible to envisage potential energy carriers as a result of area needs and its resources. Generally, it will be electricity, one or two transport fuels, and district heating in very cold regions of the world.

Table 37. Potential energy carriers.

Potential energy carriers	Condition	Code
Electricity	IF ElectC	ECEI
District heating	IF HeatHC	ECDH
District cooling	IF ColdHC	ECDC
Hydrogen	IF (Tran OR ElectC)	ECH2
Natural gas	IF (NGplY OR LNGtY)	ECNG
Biogas	IF (BiomH OR WasteHC OR WWTHC)	ECBG
Petrol/Diesel	IF (OilRY OR OilDY)	ECPD
Bioethanol	IF (BiomH OR WasteHC)	ECEt
LPG	IF (OilRY OR OilDY)	ECLPG
Biodiesel	IF (BiomH OR WasteHC)	ECBD

Step 3: devising scenaria with technologies that can use available resources to cover needs

Generally, local energy sources will be given priority, due to security of supply reasons. Then, cheaper technologies will be given priority. Technologies will have to be assessed from both a local and global environmental point of view.

This step will have four sub steps:

1. Feasibility of technologies (energy conversion, water supply, waste treatment, wastewater technology treatment)
2. Feasibility of technologies for energy, water, waste and wastewater storage
3. Feasibility of integration of flows (cogeneration, trigeneration, polygeneration, etc.)
4. Devising potential scenaria

Substep 3.1 Feasibility of technologies. The technical feasibility of technologies generally depends on the existence of a particular demand, and availability of particular resource. Its economical viability depends on the status of technology, commercial, emerging, in development, on the quality of resources, but also on the matching of demand and resource. Also, environmental viability as well as social viability of technologies can be pondered. It might be beneficial to apply multicriterial analysis to various competing technologies, in order to choose ones that reach acceptable level of sustainability in given situation. The

technologies that have to be taken into account are the ones in energy conversion, water supply, waste treatment and wastewater technology treatment.

WECS (wind energy conversion system) is for example feasible if there is high or medium need for electricity and if there are medium to high wind resources. Such an analysis should be made for each of the technologies, in order to get a list of relevant ones.

Table 38. Potential delivering technologies.

Technology	Condition	Code
Electricity conversion system		
WECS (Wind)	IF (ElectM OR ElectH) AND (WindM OR WindH)	WECS
SECS-PV (Solar PV)	IF (ElectL OR ElectM) AND (SolarM OR SolarH)	PV
SECS-Thermal (Solar thermal electricity)	IF (Elect) AND (SolarH)	SECS
HECS (Hydro)	IF (Elect) AND (HydroM OR HydroH)	HECS
GECS (Geothermal)	IF (ElectM OR ElectH) AND (GeothH)	GECS
BECS (Biomass)	IF (ElectM OR ElectH) AND (BiomH)	BECS
DEGS (Diesel engine)	IF (Elect) AND (NGpLY OR LNGtY OR OilRY OR OilDY)	DEGS
CCGT (Combined cycle gas turbine)	IF (ElectH) AND (NGpLY OR LNGtY OR OilRY OR OilDY)	CCGT
FC (Fuel cell)	IF (Elect) AND (H2Fuel)	FC
Heating system		
Solar collectors	IF (Heat) AND (SolarM OR SolarH)	STCo
Geothermal	IF (HeatH) AND (GeothM OR GeothH)	GeTH
Heat pumps	IF (HeatH AND ECEl)	HPHe
Biomass boilers	IF (HeatH) AND (BiomM OR BiomH)	BMBBo
Gas boilers	IF (Heat) AND (NGpLY OR LNGtY OR OilRY or OilDY or WasG or WWG)	GSBo
Cooling		
Solar absorbers	IF (Cold) AND (SolarH)	SAbs
Heat pumps	IF (ColdH AND ECEl)	HPCo
Gas coolers	IF (ColdH) AND (NGpLY OR LNGtY OR OilRY or OilDY or WasG or WWtG)	GSCo
Electricity coolers	IF (ColdH AND ECEl)	ELCo
Fuel		
Hydrogen	IF (Tran) AND (ECH2)	H2Fuel
Electricity	IF (Tran) AND (ECEl)	ElFuel
Bioethanol	IF (Tran) AND (ECEt)	EthanolFuel
Biodiesel	IF (Tran) AND (ECBD)	BDFuel
LPG	IF (Tran) AND (ECLPG)	LPGFuel
Natural Gas	IF (Tran) AND (ECNG)	NGFuel
Biogas	IF (Tran) AND (ECBG)	BGFuel
Petrol/Diesel	IF (Tran) AND (ECPD)	PDFuel
Water supply		
Water collection	IF (Water) AND (H2OPM OR H2OPH)	WaterC
Water wells	IF (Water) AND (H2OGM OR H2OGH)	WaterW
Desalination	IF (Water) AND (H2OSY)	WaterD
Waste		
Incineration	IF (WasteHC)	WasteI
Gasification	IF (WasteHC)	WasteG
Wastewater treatment		
Gasification	IF (WWTHC)	WWG

Substep 3.2 Feasibility of storage. When there is no connection to the mainland, it is generally necessary to have storage. Water storage will generally be part of water supply system, even in case of water pipeline, in order to use gravity for keeping the pressure constant. Most islands will have oil derivatives storage, which will then be used to cover all other energy needs, like transport fuels, electricity generation, heat and cold supply. Those with hydro potential will sometimes have water reservoirs (Flores). In cold climates, heat can be stored (Ærø). Cold can be stored in ice banks. Waste is usually stored in waste fill where it will continue polluting during long time, while waste water will be stored in wastewater collectors before disposal into sea or some other water.

Table 39. Potential storage technologies.

Storage technology	Condition	Code
Electricity storage system		
Reversible hydro	IF (WECS AND HECS)	RHECS
Electrolyser + Hydrogen	IF (WECS OR SECS OR PV) AND NOT HECS	ELYH2
Reformer + Hydrogen	IF (ECNG OR ECBG OR ECPD OR ECEt OR ECLPG OR ECBD) AND NOT HECS	REFH2
Batteries	IF (SECS OR PV) AND NOT HECS AND NOT ECH2	BAT
Heat storage		
Heat storage	IF (HeatH)	HeatS
Cold bank	IF (ColdH)	ColdS
Fuel		
Hydrogen	IF H2Fuel	H2stor
Bioethanol	IF EthanolFuel	Ethanolstor
Biodiesel	IF BDFuel	BDstor
LPG	IF LPGFuel	LPGstor
NG	IF NGFuel	NGstor
BG	IF BGFuel	BGstor
Petrol/Diesel	IF PDFuel	PDstor
Water, Waste and Wastewater		
Water	IF Water	WaterS
Waste fill	IF Waste	WasteF
Wastewater tanks	IF WWT	WWstor

Electricity is difficult to store. The most economically efficient way to store excess of electricity is reversible hydro (as planned for El Hierro), by pumping water to the upper reservoir when there is excess of electricity and turbinating it when there is lack. That can be very efficient strategy for tackling higher penetrations of wind power, in case of hilly islands. There is a need for two reservoirs, which might be costly, a pump and a turbine, or if seawater is pumped, reversible hydro may work with only one, upper reservoir. Meanwhile, in case that there is no altitude difference for reversible hydro, the alternative is hydrogen storage. The

excess of wind can be electrolysed into hydrogen and stored, and then the electricity lack can be produced from hydrogen by a fuel cell, internal combustion engine, or hydrogen can be used for powering transport. In case of small power systems, batteries can be used to store electricity.

Substep 3.3 Integration of flows. In order to increase the efficiency of the system, some resources and commodities flows may be integrated. For example, it is usual to integrate heat and power production, in so called cogeneration. But it only makes sense if heat and electricity demand are of similar time dependence, or at least made so by heat storage. If there is seasonal need for heat and cold, these two can be integrated with electricity, in technology called trigeneration.

Table 40. Integrating the flows.

Integration technology	Condition	Code
Combined heat and power	IF (Elect PROPORTIONAL Heat) AND (DEGS OR CCGT OR FC OR BECS OR SECS OR GECS)	CHP
Combined heat and cold	IF (Heat PROPORTIONAL Cold)	CHC
Trigeneration	IF (Elect PROPORTIONAL (Heat + Cold)) AND (DEGS OR CCGT OR FC OR BECS OR SECS OR GECS)	3G-HPC
Combined water and power	IF (HydroM OR HydroH) AND Water	CWP
Combined waste treatment and heat generation	IF (WasteI AND (HeatM OR HeatH))	CWTH
Combined waste treatment and power generation	IF (WasteI AND (ElectM OR ElectH))	CWTP
Combined waste treatment and heat and power generation	IF (WasteI AND (ElectM OR ElectH) AND Elect PROPORTIONAL Heat)	3G-WTHP
Combined waste treatment and heat, power and cold generation	IF (WasteI AND (ElectM OR ElectH) AND Elect PROPORTIONAL (Heat + Cold))	4G-WTHPC
Combined waste treatment and bioethanol production	IF (WasteG AND ECEt)	CWTC2H5OH
Combined waste treatment and gas production	IF (WasteG AND ECBG)	CWTGas
Combined wastewater treatment and gas production	IF (WWG AND ECBG)	CWWTGas
Combined power and hydrogen production	IF (WECS OR PV) AND ECH2	CPH2
Combined heat, power and hydrogen production	IF (SECS OR BECS OR GECS) AND ECH2	3G-HPH2
Combined heat, power, cold and hydrogen production	IF (SECS OR BECS OR GECS) AND ECH2	4G-HPCH2

A novel idea has been proposed for Corvo Island, to integrate water supply system with electricity generation, by using water as a mechanism for ironing demand. The main barrier to wider application of such integration lies in the traditional separateness of water and power utilities. Waste is commonly integrated with heat and/or power generation on the Continent, but rarely on islands, due to relatively small quantities of waste. The integration technologies are waste incineration to produce heat and/or electricity, biomass and/or waste (manure especially) gasification, ethanol production, etc. and using those fuels as energy carriers.

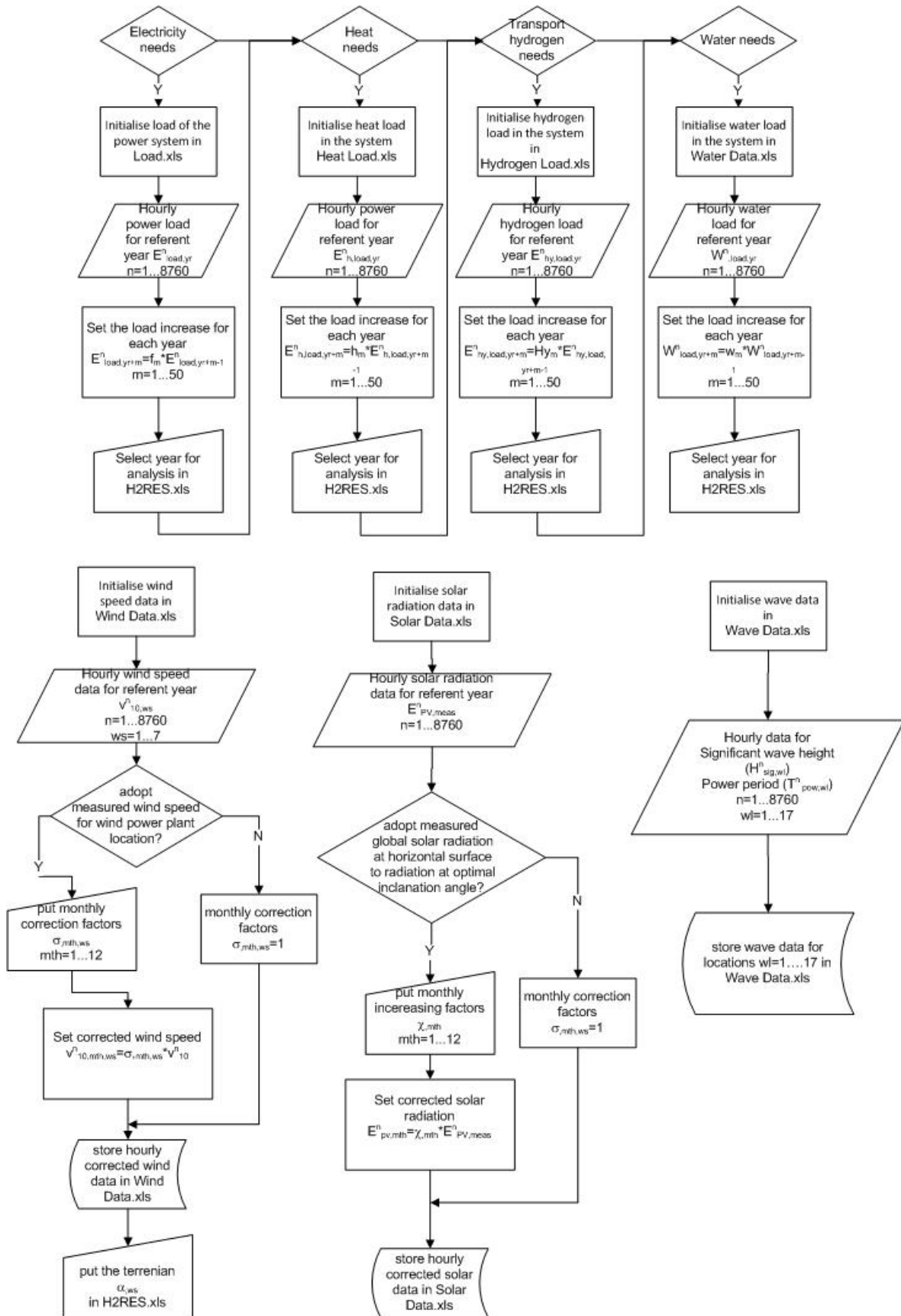
Wastewater treatment can also be integrated through gasification, and usage of gas as energy carrier. Waste and wastewater treatment are here considered supply technologies, since from the point of view of communities they supply clean environment.

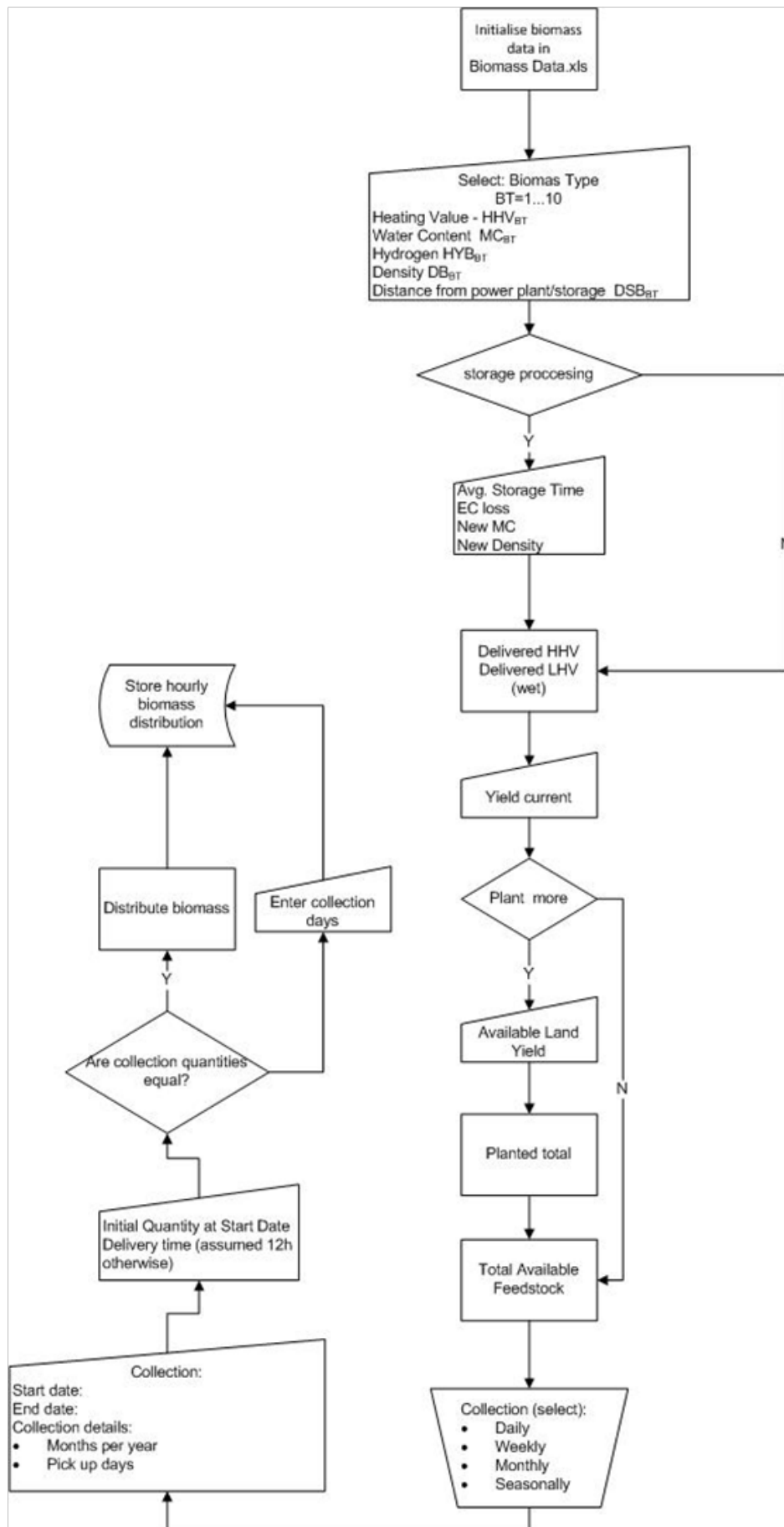
Substep 3.4 Devising the scenaria. The number of potential scenaria is vast, with many branches and loops. It is essential to weed out improbable scenaria, by following previous steps and removing all the combinations depending on low demand of certain commodity, or low resource. When devising scenaria, one should also consider policy issues. Energy policy should give different weighting factors and minimum thresholds to security of energy supply, economic viability, environmental viability, social acceptance. Applying energy policy issues at this stage will weed out some unacceptable scenaria, but others will show to be unacceptable only after detailed modelling.

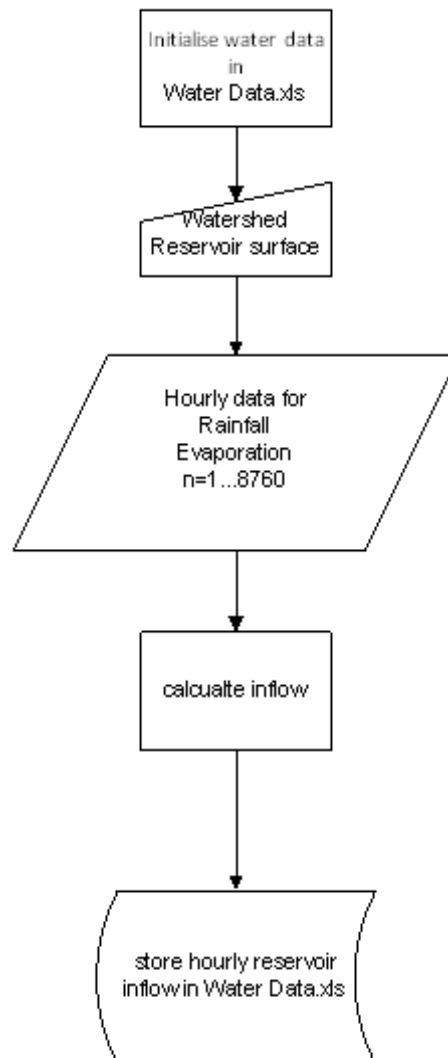
Step 4: modelling

Since complicated strongly coupled flows depend on timing of resources, demands, etc, the only practical way to check the viability of the scenaria is to model them in detail. After the technical viability of scenaria is thus checked, and many of the potential ones are dropped due to not being acceptable or viable, the economic viability should be checked, even when it is clearly demonstration activity.

ANNEX B - Mapping the needs and resources H₂RES model.







ANNEX C - EnergyPLAN energy system analysis procedure

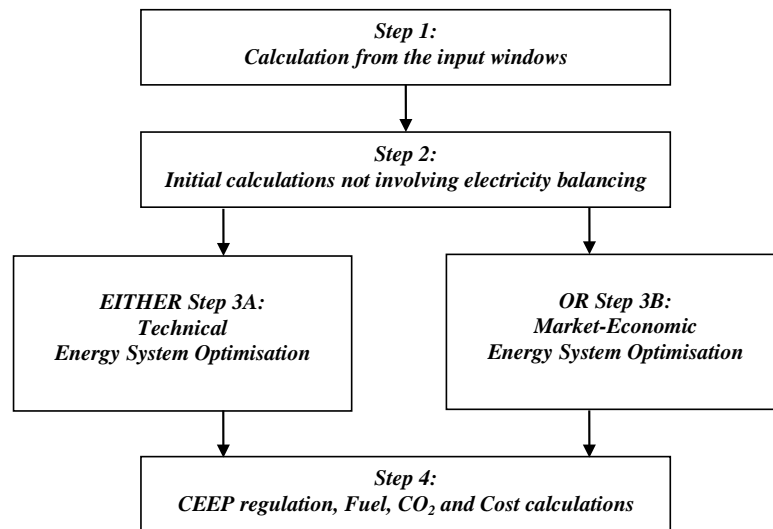


Figure 47. Overall structure of the energy system analysis procedure [45].

Step 1: Calculation from the input windows:

1. Electricity demand is calculated as in input window
2. Solar thermal
3. RES1, ... RES4
4. Hydro Power input
5. Nuclear Power or Geothermal
6. Individual solar thermal, boilers, CHPs and heat pumps are calculated (If electrolyzers for hydrogen productions are not specified, then the model will identify a minimum capacity and define an electrolyser)
7. Biofuels for transportation and CHP/Boilers produced on waste
8. Market prices of external market

Step 2: Initial calculations not involving electricity balancing

1. Fixed import/export of electricity specified in the Electricity demand window
2. District heating demands incl. heating demands from absorption cooling
3. Industrial and Waste district heating and electricity productions
4. Fixed Boiler production subtracted from the district heating demand
5. Boiler production in district heating group 1

EITHER Step 3A: Technical Energy System Analysis

1. CHP, Heat Pumps and boilers in groups 2 and 3 (regulation 1 or 4)

2. Flexible electricity demand (including dump charge BEV)
3. CHP, Heat Pumps and boilers in groups 2 and 3 (regulation 2 or 3) If chosen (overrides production of regulation 1 or 4)
4. Hydro power
5. Individual CHP and Heat Pump systems
6. Electrolyser for micro CHP, Transportation, DH group 3 and DH group 2
7. Heat storage in groups 3 and 2
8. Transportation (Smart charge and V2G)
9. Electricity storage

The calculation of condensing power and import/export including CEEP and EEEP (Critical and Exportable Excess Electricity production) are calculated continuously more or less after each of the sequences in the technical energy system analysis procedure .

OR Step 3B: Market-Economic Energy System Analysis

1. Market economic optimisation
2. CHP3 minimum production
3. Hydrogen and electricity demands for transportation and micro CHP

Step 4: CEEP regulation, Fuel, CO₂ and Cost calculations

1. Fixed boiler production is added to the boilers in groups 2 and 3
2. Critical Excess Regulation
3. Grid stabilisation
4. Heat balances in district heating systems
5. Fuel consumptions
6. CO₂ emissions
7. Cost

ANNEX D - Methodology for calculation of hourly energy production of wind power plants in Croatia

Methodology consists of 5 simple steps or procedures that are applied to solve the problem how to determine and predict, with acceptable uncertainty or error, hourly power production of wind power plants from field measurements in the Southern Croatia.

1. Overview of available measured data, factors, levels, and range of measurements
2. Description of selected measurements
3. Data analysis and validation
4. Statistical analysis
5. Calculation of wind power production

Overview of available data factors, levels, and range of measurements

A wide range of publicly available meteorological data exists and could be found on the internet. Personal Weather Stations have been installed in many places and provides a lot of historical weather data. The problem with these data is that there is no quality control behind the measurements so use of these data will bring another level of uncertainty in calculations. There are also certain data available from Croatian meteorological and hydrological institute and paid professional programs [80] that use official meteorological data but could be expensive and provides measurements from meteorological stations located in towns, which hardly could represent sites where wind turbines will be installed. The best available data that were publicly available were from EU financed project -Assessment of Wind and Solar Energy Resources in Croatian Pilot Region – AWSERCRO [66].

Important factors, levels, and range for determination of wind power production in selected region (parameters available from AWSERCRO project are given in bold text):

- **wind location**
- **wind speed**
- **wind direction (at least two levels 10, 44 m)**
- **height of instrument (10, 30, 44, 46 m)**
- terrain roughness
- turbulence intensity
- wind shear (vertical and horizontal)
- terrain slope and configuration
- **distance from the measurement / between locations**
- direction between locations
- **barometric pressure**

- **temperature (three levels 0.05 m, 2m, 40m)**
- **height above sea level**
- **air density**
- humidity
- **solar radiation**
- cloudiness
- precipitation
- **yearly, seasonal, monthly, diurnal (daily), hourly variations, 10 minute**

Description of the selected measurements

AWSERCRO-Assessment of Wind and Solar Energy Resources in Croatian Pilot Region was a project financed by the European Commission as part of its technical assistance under the CARDS program. Major component of this project was a measurement campaign and acquisition of the wind and solar. On-site wind measurements were taken from June 2007 until March 2009 by the Energy Institute Hrvoje Pozar. The measurement locations are on well exposed and remote sites located along the region of Southern Dalmatia to achieve a high spatial density of measured data [66]. The same authors bring description of used measurement equipment and measurement sites. Names of measuring sites are following:

1. Pusto polje CRO W01
2. Debelo brdo CRO W02
3. Kasumi CRO W03
4. Zelovo CRO W04
5. Borajica CRO W05
6. Promina CRO W06
7. Voštane CRO W07
8. Orah CRO W08
9. Smokovljani CRO W09
10. Brač CRO W10

Map and geographical distribution of measurement sites is presented on Figure 48 and distances between measurement sites are stated in the Table 41 while geographical coordinates and locations heights above sea level are given in Table 42.



Figure 48. Locations of the AWESRESCRO measurement stations.

Table 41. Distance between locations of the measurement stations [km].

		Pusto polje	Debelo brdo	Kasumi	Zelovo	Borajica	Promina	Voštane	Orah	Smokovljani	Brač
		W01	W02	W03	W04	W05	W06	W07	W08	W09	W10
Pusto polje	W01	0,0	39,4	31,8	75,6	78,7	45,1	101,9	162,9	216,7	124,9
Debelo brdo	W02	39,4	0,0	44,3	85,9	70,9	52,4	116,4	173,7	225,3	124,8
Kasumi	W03	31,8	44,3	0,0	45,6	48,1	13,4	74,5	134,3	187,5	93,2
Zelovo	W04	75,6	85,9	45,6	0,0	36,5	34,0	30,8	88,7	141,9	52,3
Borajica	W05	78,7	70,9	48,1	36,5	0,0	36,0	62,3	108,9	157,4	54,6
Promina	W06	45,1	52,4	13,4	34,0	36,0	0,0	64,0	122,6	175,4	80,0
Voštane	W07	101,9	116,4	74,5	30,8	62,3	64,0	0,0	61,2	115,3	46,7
Orah	W08	162,9	173,7	134,3	88,7	108,9	122,6	61,2	0,0	54,2	59,7
Smokovljani	W09	216,7	225,3	187,5	141,9	157,4	175,4	115,3	54,2	0,0	103,6
Brač	W10	124,9	124,8	93,2	52,3	54,6	80,0	46,7	59,7	103,6	0,0

Table 42. Geographical coordinates and height above the sea level of the measurement stations.

			Latitude	Longitude	Google Earth h.a.s.l [m]	h.a.s.l [m]
Pusto polje	W01	Dec Degrees	44,304083	15,97333	958	956
Debelo brdo	W02	Dec Degrees	44,102583	15,56739	335	336
Kasumi	W03	Dec Degrees	44,036695	16,11377	315	318
Zelovo	W04	Dec Degrees	43,751361	16,52322	921	919
Borajica	W05	Dec Degrees	43,603748	16,11768	577	548
Promina	W06	Dec Degrees	43,924694	16,17422	1067	1025
Voštane	W07	Dec Degrees	43,666389	16,88744	1071	1065
Orah	W08	Dec Degrees	43,242778	17,37108	593	561
Smokovljani	W09	Dec Degrees	42,845083	17,75736	318	280
Brač	W10	Dec Degrees	43,287963	16,63585	721	709

Wind data analysis

Data Validation- the measured data obtained from AWESRESCRO website cover period from 01/06/2007 until 30/03/2009. As there were some difficulties in measurements and in order to use unique time period for all sites that can be used in planning purposes, used data are covering period from 01/01/2008 until 31/12/2008. For this period, it was possible to record in total 52704 values representing 10 min measurements. A rate of data recovery per site and type of measurement is shown in Table 43.

To validate data special procedure was followed by a simple range test and visual inspection. By this way it was possible to determine errors in data records and in similar way the missing data were inspected. The results showed that location W06 will not be representative for calculation of the power production as for some measurements 50% of data were missing. After inspection of all data, valid data files were created that were used in further analysis.

Statistical analysis

Wind speed distribution - The most widely used distribution that explains wind speed is the Weibull distribution. Its probability density function is given by formula:

$$f(v) = \frac{k}{c} \left(\frac{v}{c}\right)^{k-1} e^{-\left(\frac{v}{c}\right)^k} \quad (40)$$

Where k is the Weibull shape factor and c is scale factor. The cumulative distribution function of the velocity v gives us the fraction of time (or probability) that the wind velocity is equal or lower than v . Thus the cumulative distribution $F(v)$ is the integral of the probability density function:

$$F(v) = \int_0^v f(v) dv = 1 - e^{-\left(\frac{v}{c}\right)^k} \quad (41)$$

Average wind velocity of a regime, following the Weibull distribution is given by:

$$v_m = \int_0^{\infty} v f(v) dv \quad (42)$$

The energy produced by a wind turbine could be calculated by 40

$$E = t \int_0^{\infty} P_v f(v) dv \quad (43)$$

where E is energy produced in time t , v is the wind speed, P_v power of wind turbine for the wind speed v .

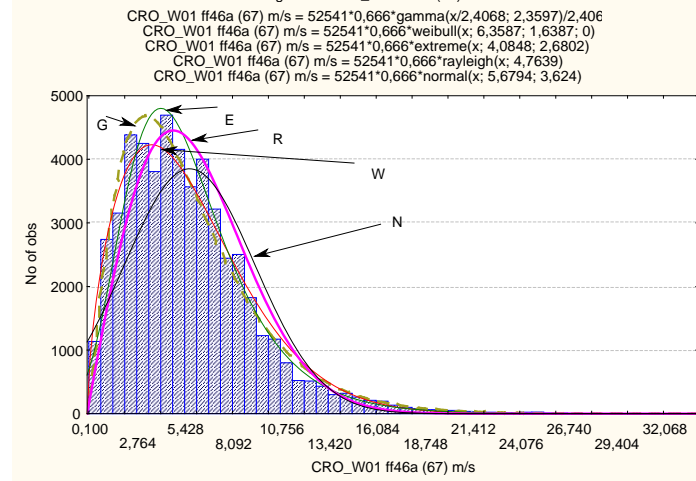


Figure 49. Histograms of measured wind speed distribution at 46m for location W01 compared to different distribution curves.

Basic Statistics for 10 min average wind speeds measured at all locations and all heights for year 2008 are given in Figure 8. The minimum mean speed is going from 2.7 m at 10m height at W08 to maximum mean speed of 7.45 m/s at 46m and location W05. It is significant that standard error for all sites fall in range of permissible limits of error for the first class cup anemometers.

Table 43. Basic Statistics for measured 10min average wind speeds at all locations for year 2008.

Variable	Descriptive Statistics (a_all_time_Final)														
	Include condition: v26=2008														
	Valid N	% Valid obs.	Mean	Confidence -95,000%	Confidence 95,000	Median	Mode	Freq. of Mode	Sum	Min.	Max	Variance	Std.Dev.	Coef.Var.	Standard Error
W01 ff10a	52694	99,981	5,1247	5,09592864	5,15347736	4,6	3,10	950	270041,1	0	30,6	11,35733	3,370064	65,76117	0,014681
W01 ff30a	52694	99,981	5,4756	5,44549238	5,50571269	4,9	4,90	922	288531,4	0	33,1	12,43629	3,526513	64,40411	0,015363
W01 ff44a	52694	99,981	5,63307	5,60232662	5,66381753	5,1	4,70	905	296829,1	0	33,3	12,96662	3,600919	63,92461	0,015687
W01 ff46a	52694	99,981	5,66287	5,63186452	5,69388035	5,1	2,90	904	298399,4	0	33,4	13,18895	3,631659	64,13104	0,015821
W02 ff10a	51761	98,2108	4,94587	4,92184472	4,96990389	4,5	2,90	1127	256003,4	0,1	23,3	7,78035	2,789328	56,39706	0,01226
W02 ff30a	51756	98,2013	6,05455	6,02447973	6,0846168	5,5	3,50	884	313359,2	0,1	28,9	12,18117	3,490153	57,64515	0,015341
W02 ff44a	51752	98,1937	6,40843	6,37589536	6,44096968	5,8	3,70	809	331649,2	0,1	31,4	14,26232	3,776549	58,93093	0,016601
W02 ff46a	51752	98,1937	6,45408	6,42126142	6,48689672	5,9	4,10	826	334011,5	0,1	31,5	14,50928	3,809106	59,01858	0,016744
W03 ff10a	52552	99,7116	3,98302	3,96377782	4,00227105	3,4	2,90	1799	209315,9	0,1	19,4	5,067594	2,251132	56,51815	0,00982
W03 ff30a	45662	86,6386	4,73476	4,70736992	4,76214959	4,3	,100	2469	216198,6	0,1	24,3	8,917386	2,986199	63,06971	0,013975
W03 ff44a	52551	99,7097	5,45387	5,42741783	5,48031752	4,9	3,90	1026	286606,2	0,1	26,2	9,570421	3,09361	56,72323	0,013495
W03 ff46a	52551	99,7097	5,50599	5,47914736	5,53282577	5	4,10	1017	289345,1	0,1	26,7	9,85426	3,13915	57,01339	0,013694
W04 ff10a	52702	99,9962	4,36867	4,3441242	4,39321404	3,9	2,70	1178	230237,6	0,1	23,9	8,265215	2,874929	65,80788	0,012523
W04 ff30a	52702	99,9962	5,0099	4,98207248	5,03772183	4,5	3,10	1009	264031,6	0,1	28,5	10,62163	3,259084	65,05291	0,014197
W04 ff44a	52702	99,9962	5,20711	5,17821351	5,23600606	4,7	,100	1030	274425,1	0,1	29,9	11,45551	3,3846	64,99958	0,014743
W04 ff46a	52702	99,9962	5,23852	5,2096652	5,26738311	4,7	3,30	988	276080,7	0,1	30,1	11,42594	3,380228	64,52635	0,014724
W05 ff10a	52497	99,6072	5,84889	5,81804462	5,87973087	5,07	3,90	799	307049,1	0	22,7	13,00035	3,6056	61,6459	0,015737
W05 ff30a	52497	99,6072	7,07053	7,03381025	7,10725457	6,2	4,50	638	371181,7	0	26,5	18,4287	4,292866	60,7149	0,018736
W05 ff44a	52497	99,6072	7,35174	7,3136494	7,38982699	6,5	5,50	596	385944,2	0	27,3	19,82589	4,452627	60,56564	0,019433
W05 ff46a	52497	99,6072	7,45948	7,42116518	7,49779819	6,6	5,90	585	391600,4	0	27,8	20,06365	4,479247	60,0477	0,01955
W06 ff10a	50748	96,2887	6,52943	6,48959817	6,56926917	5,4	2,90	891	331355,7	0,1	34,7	20,96347	4,578589	70,12229	0,020325
W06 ff30a	40121	76,1252	7,32889	7,27328876	7,38448148	5,9	,100	3671	294042,2	0,1	36,1	32,28258	5,681776	77,52579	0,028366
W06 ff44a	26827	50,9013	6,61949	6,54524328	6,69373983	4,5	,500	967	177581,1	0,1	35,5	38,49893	6,20475	93,73455	0,037882
W06 ff46a	27524	52,2237	7,20132	7,13880731	7,26383039	5,6	2,90	469	198209,1	0,1	30,3	27,99856	5,291367	73,47775	0,031894
W07 ff10a	52695	99,9829	4,98352	4,95084124	5,01620687	3,7	2,70	1453	262606,8	0	27,2	14,65251	3,82786	76,81031	0,016675
W07 ff30a	52693	99,9791	4,44788	4,40655857	4,48919608	3,3	,100	9263	234372	0	31,8	23,41807	4,839222	108,7985	0,021081
W07 ff44a	52693	99,9791	6,16225	6,12145418	6,20303674	4,8	4,30	911	324707,2	0	33,5	22,82398	4,777445	77,52766	0,020812
W07 ff46a	52693	99,9791	6,21345	6,17189687	6,25500613	4,9	3,90	894	327405,4	0	34	23,68621	4,866848	78,32761	0,021202
W08 ff10a	52653	99,9032	2,73676	2,71830904	2,75521383	2,1	1,10	2326	144098,7	0,1	19,7	4,666943	2,160311	78,93676	0,009415
W08 ff30a	52298	99,2297	3,39917	3,37582068	3,4225196	2,6	1,50	1775	177769,8	0,1	23,4	7,422369	2,724402	80,14905	0,011913
W08 ff44a	52653	99,9032	3,64681	3,62196265	3,67166013	2,8	1,60	856	192015,6	0,07	26,1	8,463223	2,909162	79,77275	0,012678
W08 ff46a	52653	99,9032	3,65697	3,63199572	3,6819503	2,8	1,70	1582	192550,6	0,1	26,3	8,551013	2,924212	79,96262	0,012744
W09 ff10a	47751	90,6022	5,38131	5,35315872	5,40946824	4,7	3,90	1035	256963,1	0,1	20,9	9,853484	3,139026	58,33197	0,014365
W09 ff30a	47751	90,6022	6,08355	6,05152401	6,11557616	5,3	5,10	929	290495,6	0,1	23,2	12,74951	3,570646	58,69346	0,01634
W09 ff44a	47751	90,6022	6,25254	6,21875587	6,28631837	5,4	3,90	892	298564,9	0,1	23,3	14,18527	3,766334	60,23689	0,017236
W09 ff46a	47749	90,5984	5,72101	5,68506464	5,75696347	5	,100	3072	273172,7	0,1	22,6	16,06393	4,007983	70,05721	0,018342
W10 ff10a	52703	99,9981	3,89492	3,87552852	3,91431267	3,4	2,90	1715	205274	0,1	16,5	5,159263	2,271401	58,31701	0,009894
W10 ff30a	52703	99,9981	5,2842	5,25702359	5,31138428	4,7	2,90	1071	278493,4	0,1	22,1	10,13559	3,183645	60,24833	0,013868
W10 ff44a	52703	99,9981	5,7458	5,71551972	5,77607659	5,1	3,10	1006	302820,8	0,1	23,9	12,57784	3,546525	61,7238	0,015448
W10 ff46a	52703	99,9981	5,85149	5,82075183	5,88223661	5,2	3,10	998	308391,3	0,1	24,3	12,96625	3,600868	61,53758	0,015685

Wind speed Variation with height

The wind speed near the ground changes with height, which requires an equation that predicts the wind speed at one height in terms of the measured speed at another height. The most common expression for the variation of wind speed with hub height is the power law having the following form:

$$\frac{v_2}{v_1} = \left(\frac{h_2}{h_1} \right)^\alpha \quad (44)$$

where v_2 and v_1 are the mean wind speeds at heights h_2 and h_1 , respectively. The exponent α depends on such factors as surface roughness and atmospheric stability. Numerically, it lies in the range 0.05–0.5 with the most frequently adopted value being 0.14 (widely applicable to low surface and well exposed sites).

Figure 16, shown in the chapter on resource mapping illustrates seasonal changes of monthly wind speed for locations W02, W05 and W10. As explained by many other authors, typical behaviour of monthly variations cannot be defined by a single year data so data on Figure 16, just represents monthly variations for the specific year. Seasonal changes of monthly wind speed for one location at all measured heights are given on Figure 50. Similarly, Figure 51 shows the standard deviation of the wind speed measured at location W05 and 46 m height. Available power varies even more as it is calculated by the third exponent of wind speed.

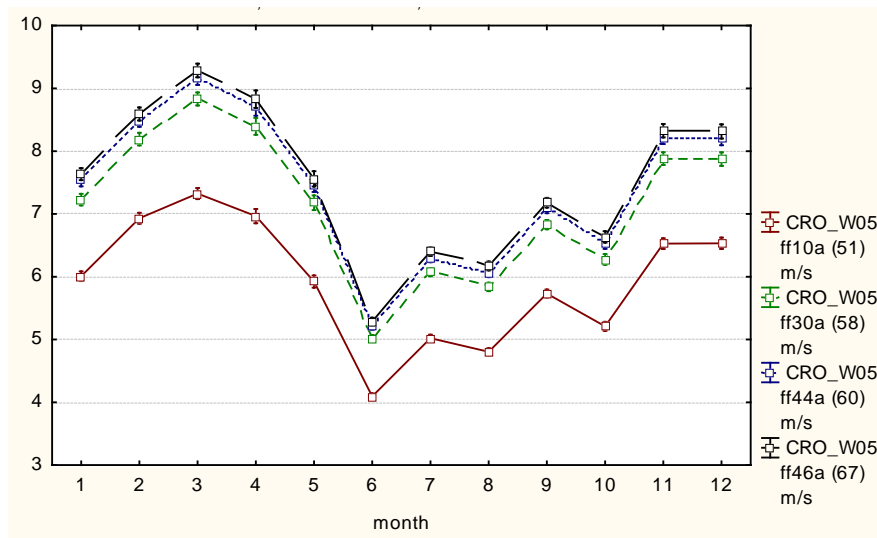


Figure 50. Seasonal changes of monthly wind speed for locations W05 at all measured heights.

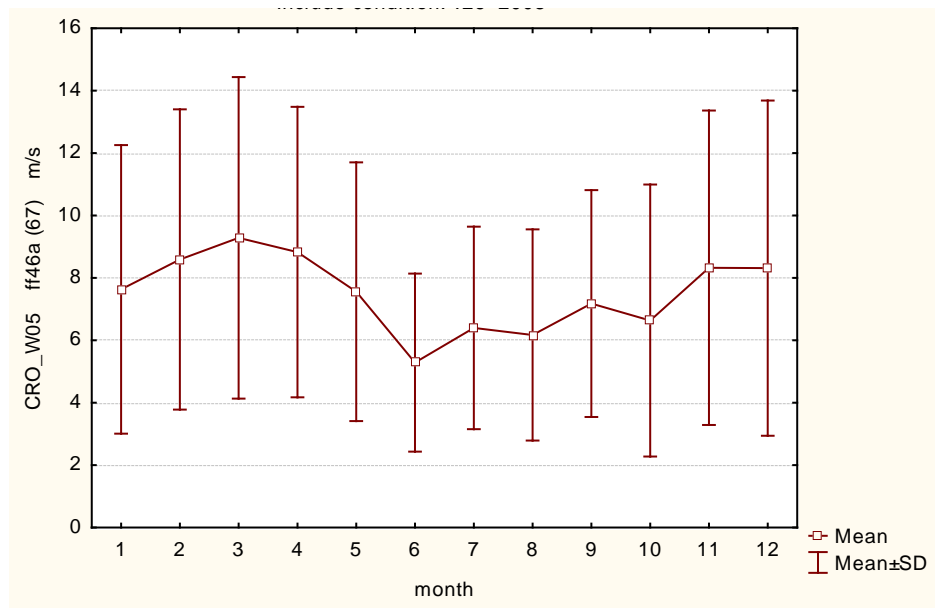


Figure 51. Standard deviation of monthly mean wind speed at location W05 at 46 m height.

On a yearly base it was possible to calculate a vertical wind profile at all sites from the mean wind speeds. The vertical wind profile for locations with the most available data is presented on Figure 52, while vertical profiles from measured data with significant number of missing data for certain heights is presented but they did not show have neutral, normal logarithmic shape.

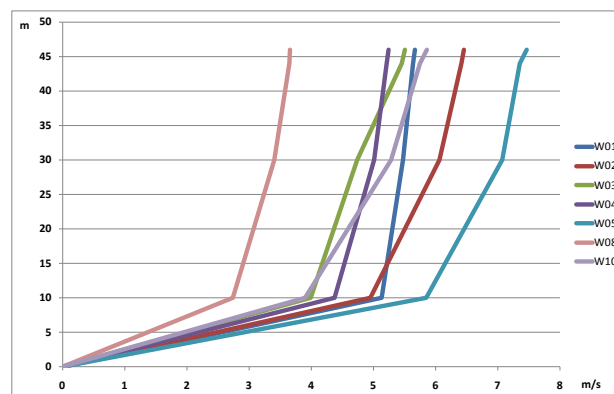


Figure 52. Vertical wind profile at measurement locations (mean wind speeds calculated from measured data at all heights).

Similar to wind speed statistics it was possible to analyse wind directions. Wind rose is the standard tool for description of wind directions and it has been tested for all sites. As it was expected characteristic directions for Adriatic region are Northeast and Southeast winds. Only one site had maximal winds from the southwest.

Estimation of wind speed at higher heights by use of Multiple Regression

Current commercial onshore wind turbines with installed capacity from 1.5 to 3 MW have hub heights from 80-120 meters so to calculate power production from these turbines it is also necessary to have wind speeds at their hub heights. Usually, wind speeds at different heights are calculated by power formula (14) or by logarithmic formulas that includes terrain roughness. As there were data available for determination of power coefficient at most of measured 10 minutes periods, it was decided to try finding a formula that will give the minimal deviation from measured wind speed at 46 m height and calculated wind speeds at the same height but with the use of wind speeds below 46 m. By use of Multiple Regression several formulas have been tested and formula (15) gave the smallest deviation measured by R^2 .

$$v_{46} = \frac{v_{10} \cdot \left[\left(\frac{Z_{46}}{Z_{10}} \right)^{\left(\frac{\ln \frac{v_{30}}{v_{10}}}{\ln \frac{Z_{30}}{Z_{10}}} \right)} + \left(\frac{Z_{46}}{Z_{10}} \right)^{\left(\frac{\ln \frac{v_{44}}{v_{10}}}{\ln \frac{Z_{44}}{Z_{10}}} \right)} \right] + v_{30} \cdot \left(\frac{Z_{46}}{Z_{30}} \right)^{\left(\frac{\ln \frac{v_{44}}{v_{30}}}{\ln \frac{Z_{44}}{Z_{30}}} \right)} + v_{44} \cdot \left(\frac{Z_{46}}{Z_{44}} \right)^{\left(\frac{\ln \frac{v_{44}}{v_{30}} + \ln \frac{v_{44}}{v_{10}} + \ln \frac{v_{30}}{v_{10}}}{\ln \frac{Z_{44}}{Z_{30}} + \ln \frac{Z_{44}}{Z_{10}} + \ln \frac{Z_{30}}{Z_{10}}} \right)} }{4} \quad (45)$$

Multiple Regression results for predicted wind speed at 46 m with improved formula (14) and measured wind speed as observed variable at location W01 resulted in R^2 : 0.99865729, Standard error of estimate is 0.131765215 and Std. Error: 0.0010697 with the value $t(52487) = 26,923$ and significance level $p < 0.0000$. Plot of predicted vs. observed wind speeds at location W01 is given at Figure 53 and shows good match.

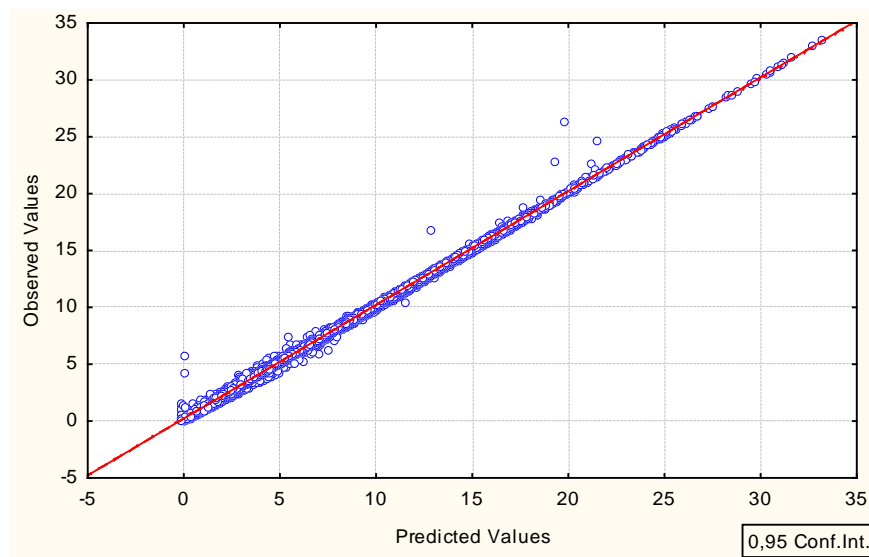


Figure 53. Plot of predicted vs. observed wind speeds [m/s] at 46 m height at location W01.

Residual analysis of predicted data showed that there were certain errors in some cases so after the exclusion of 50 problematic values following results of Multiple Regression have been obtained $R^2 = 0.99907539$, Standard error of estimate at 0.109131515, Std.Error: 0.0008874 with value $t(52437) = 34.967$ and $p < 0.0000$.

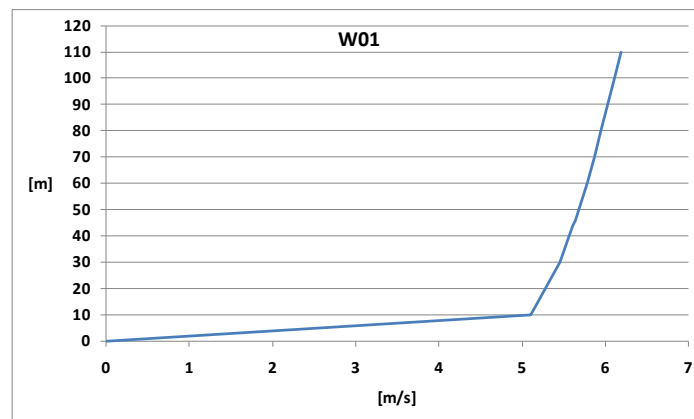


Figure 54. Vertical wind profile at measurement location W01 (mean wind speeds calculated from measured data at heights 10-46m and extrapolated data 60-110m).

By application of the same formula to predict wind speeds at heights above 46 m and by using all measured data it was possible to get the vertical wind profile for all sites and for all desired heights. Figure 54 presents calculated vertical wind profile at measurement location W01, wind speeds are calculated from measured data at heights 10-46m and extrapolated data 60-110m. The shape fits profile of the neutral atmospheric stability. Figure 55 presents comparison of Weibull distributions for predicted 10 min mean wind speed at 60 m height and measured wind speed at 46m. There were no significant deviations from basic Weibull shapes but still there were some problematic values. Monthly plots of predicted mean wind speeds for 10 minute periods at all heights at location W01 with excluded problematic values are presented at Figure 56.

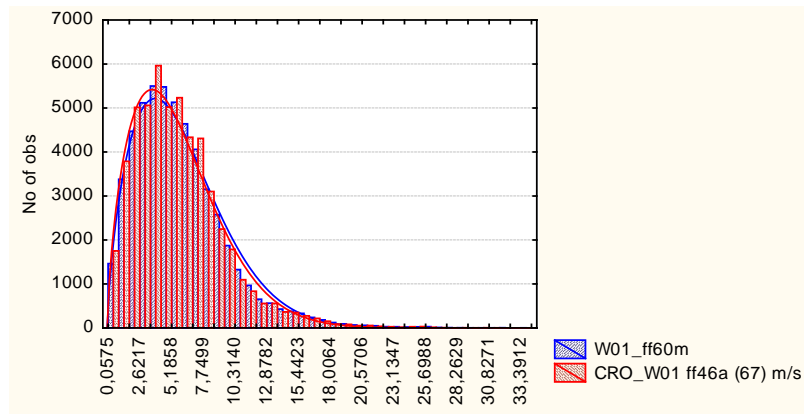


Figure 55. Weibull distribution for predicted 10 min mean wind speed at 60 m height and measured at 46m.

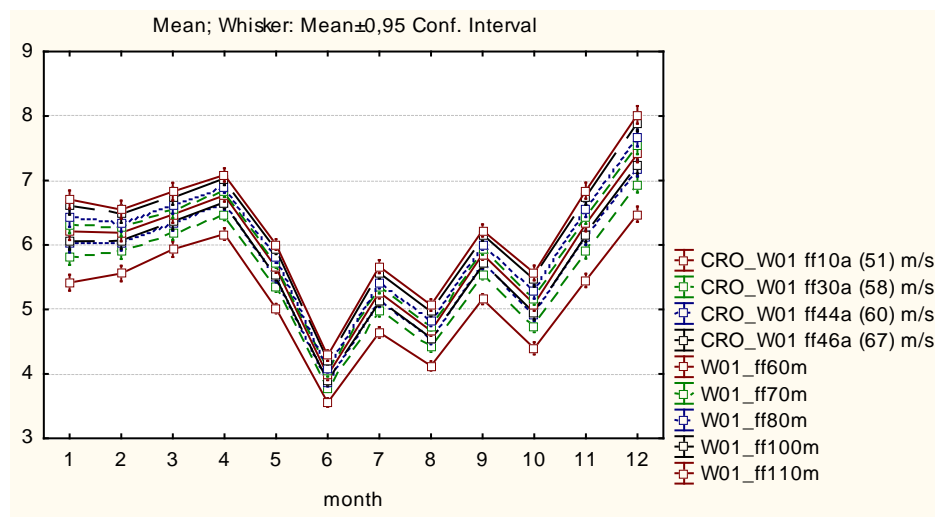


Figure 56. Monthly plot of predicted mean 10min wind speeds at all heights at location W01 with excluded problematic values.

Calculated vertical wind profile at measurement location W02, W03, W04, W05, W08 and W10 from measured wind speeds is presented on Figure 57. The shapes have characteristics from unstable to neutral and stable atmospheric conditions.

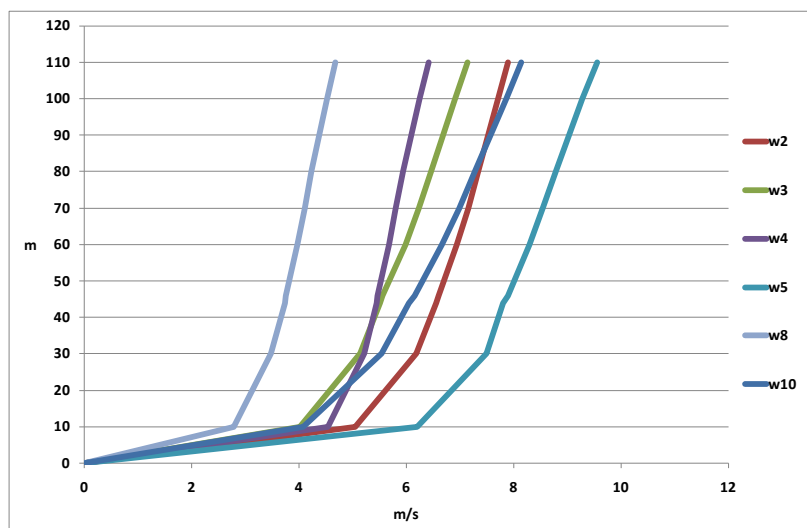


Figure 57. Vertical wind profile at measurement locations W02, W03, W04, W05, W08, W10 (mean wind speeds calculated from measured data at heights 10-46m and extrapolated data for 60-110m).

Correlation of wind speeds and energy production between sites

Final calculations were related to correlation between wind speeds (Table 44 and Table 45) and predicted wind production at chosen sites .

Table 44. Correlation of wind speed at 46 m above ground level (means and standard deviations are expressed in m/s).

Variable	Means	Std.Dev.	CRO_W01 ff 46a (67) m/s	CRO_W02 ff 46a (67) m/s	CRO_W03 ff 46a (67) m/s	CRO_W04 ff 46a (67) m/s	CRO_W06 ff 46a (67) m/s	CRO_W07 ff 46a (67) m/s	CRO_W08 ff 46a (67) m/s	CRO_W10 ff 46a (67) m/s
CRO_W01 ff 46a (67) m/s	5,655360	3,595066	1,000000	0,661586	0,546636	0,655758	0,605393	0,586438	0,500390	0,543527
CRO_W02 ff 46a (67) m/s	6,456672	3,817736	0,661586	1,000000	0,667633	0,658234	0,644983	0,640263	0,399075	0,657791
CRO_W03 ff 46a (67) m/s	5,514505	3,102493	0,546636	0,667633	1,000000	0,579051	0,447023	0,559253	0,379333	0,471105
CRO_W04 ff 46a (67) m/s	5,265179	3,374801	0,655758	0,658234	0,579051	1,000000	0,583242	0,782809	0,589796	0,640379
CRO_W05 ff 46a (67) m/s	7,479650	4,474048	0,605393	0,644983	0,447023	0,583242	1,000000	0,525102	0,481161	0,722496
CRO_W07 ff 46a (67) m/s	6,228702	4,839899	0,586438	0,640263	0,559253	0,782809	0,525102	1,000000	0,527497	0,667830
CRO_W08 ff 46a (67) m/s	3,674498	2,911771	0,500390	0,399075	0,379333	0,589796	0,481161	0,527497	1,000000	0,492515
CRO_W10 ff 46a (67) m/s	5,855419	3,574621	0,543527	0,657791	0,471105	0,640379	0,722496	0,667830	0,492515	1,000000

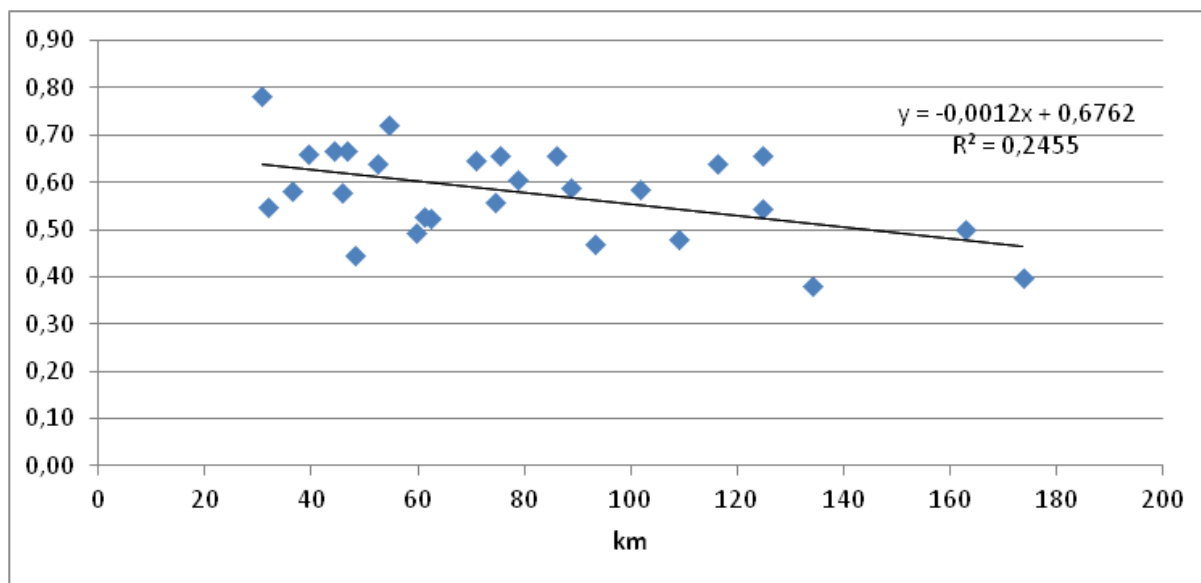


Figure 58. Correlation of wind speed at 46 m above ground level sorted by distances between locations.

Table 45. Correlation of 10 min mean power production at selected sites (Mean and standard deviation are in kWh/h).

Variable	Means	Std.Dev.	W01_ECO TEC_100	W02_ECO TEC_100	W03_ECO TEC_100	W04_ECO TEC_100	W05_ECO TEC_100	W07_ECO TEC_100	W08_ECO TEC_100	W09_ECO TEC_100	W10_ECO TEC_100
W01_ECOTEC_100	694,250	887,276	1,000000	0,595064	0,438538	0,577399	0,499914	0,426496	0,399582	0,424993	0,488453
W02_ECOTEC_100	1092,187	1125,478	0,595064	1,000000	0,449223	0,532945	0,553698	0,417912	0,271188	0,432046	0,562336
W03_ECOTEC_100	639,723	864,565	0,438538	0,449223	1,000000	0,445572	0,305965	0,374984	0,299379	0,239864	0,366842
W04_ECOTEC_100	670,974	891,871	0,577399	0,532945	0,445572	1,000000	0,462505	0,499849	0,498565	0,382056	0,579735
W05_ECOTEC_100	1303,367	1185,558	0,499914	0,553698	0,305965	0,462505	1,000000	0,376080	0,319505	0,460610	0,622482
W07_ECOTEC_100	722,525	1050,728	0,426496	0,417912	0,374984	0,499849	0,376080	1,000000	0,323506	0,319943	0,490177
W08_ECOTEC_100	410,148	763,520	0,399582	0,271188	0,299379	0,498565	0,319505	0,323506	1,000000	0,297205	0,395493
W09_ECOTEC_100	767,795	1012,255	0,424993	0,432046	0,239864	0,382056	0,460610	0,319943	0,297205	1,000000	0,457549
W10_ECOTEC_100	1038,162	1100,065	0,488453	0,562336	0,366842	0,579735	0,622482	0,490177	0,395493	0,457549	1,000000

ANNEX E - Calculated FIT for Croatian case studies

Table 46. Cost estimation for PHS Vinodol in EUR.

Equipment – Cost symbol	Case a) new pumps, penstocks and reservoir	Case b) new pumps and reservoir	Case c) new turbines, pumps, penstocks and reservoir	Case d) new PHS with two reservoirs
Hydro-turbine (C_T)	-	-	17,255,570	17,255,570
Pumps (C_P)	8,159,013	8,159,013	8,159,013	8,159,013
Penstock ($C_{Penstock}$)	6,205,795	600,561	12,411,591	12,411,591
Reservoir (C_R)	21,928,976	21,928,976	21,928,976	43,857,952
Grid connection (C_{GC})	1,451,751	1,227,542	2,390,206	3,267,365
Control system (C_{CS})	580,701	491,017	956,082	1,306,946
Transportation of equipment (C_T)	871,051	736,525	1,434,124	1,960,419
Personal (C_P)	10,888,135	9,206,565	17,926,545	24,505,238
Others (C_O)	2,540,565	2,148,198	4,182,860	5,717,889
TOTAL INVESTMENT	52,625,987	44,498,397	86,644,967	118,441,982
Yearly Operation and Maintenance (OMC_{PHS})	1,052,520	889,968	1,732,899	2,368,840

Table 47. Cost of the electricity production from PHS in €/MWh, based on 870 full load hours of turbines or energy equivalent.

Interest rate	Case a)			Case b)			Case c)			Case d)		
	Payback period [years]											
	6	8	10	6	8	10	6	8	10	6	8	10
	Cost of the electricity production without the cost of the wind electricity for pumping.											
	6%	143	116	100	121	98	84	185	150	129	253	205
8%	151	124	108	128	105	91	196	161	140	268	220	192
10%	160	133	117	135	112	99	207	172	152	283	235	207
Cost of the electricity production with the cost of 97.5 €/MWh for the wind electricity for pumping.												
6%	267	240	224	245	222	209	310	275	254	378	330	301
8%	276	249	233	252	229	216	321	286	265	393	345	316
10%	284	257	241	260	237	223	332	297	276	408	360	332

Table 48. Cost of the electricity production from PHS in €/MWh, based on 1750 full load hours of turbines or energy equivalent.

Interest rate	Case a)			Case b)			Case c)			Case d)		
	Payback period [years]											
	6	8	10	6	8	10	6	8	10	6	8	10
	Cost of the electricity production without the cost of the wind electricity for pumping.											
	6%	71	58	50	60	49	42	92	75	64	126	102
8%	75	62	54	64	52	45	98	80	70	133	109	95
10%	79	66	58	67	56	49	103	86	75	141	117	103
Cost of the electricity production with the cost of 97.5 €/MWh for the wind electricity for pumping.												
6%	196	182	174	185	173	166	218	200	190	250	227	212
8%	200	186	178	188	177	170	223	206	195	258	234	220
10%	204	191	183	192	180	174	229	211	201	265	241	228

Table 49. Cost of the electricity production from PHS in €/MWh, based on 2630 full load hours of turbines or energy equivalent.

	Case a)			Case b)			Case c)			Case d)		
				Payback period [years]								
	6	8	10	6	8	10	6	8	10	6	8	10
	Cost of the electricity production without the cost of the wind electricity for pumping.											
6%	47	38	33	40	32	28	61	50	43	84	68	58
8%	50	41	36	42	35	30	65	53	46	89	73	63
10%	53	44	39	45	37	33	69	57	50	94	78	69
Cost of the electricity production with the cost of 97.5 €/MWh for the wind electricity for pumping.												
6%	172	163	157	164	157	152	186	174	167	208	192	183
8%	175	166	160	167	159	155	189	178	171	213	197	188
10%	177	168	163	169	162	157	193	181	175	218	202	193

Table 50. Cost estimation for PHS on the Island of Krk.

Equipment – Cost symbol	Cost Estimation (€)
Hydro-turbine (C_T)	2,860,157
Pumps (C_P)	1,106,961
Penstock ($C_{Penstock}$)	4,112,296
Reservoir (C_R)	6,656,551
Grid connection (C_{GC})	589,439
Control system (C_{CS})	235,775
Transportation of equipment (C_T)	353,663
Personal (C_P)	4,420,790
Others (C_O)	1,031,518
TOTAL	21,367,150
Operation and Maintenance (OMC_{PHS})	427,343

Table 51. FIT for kWh of electricity from PHS on the Island of Krk [€/kWh].

		Payback [years]		
		6	8	10
Interest rate	6%	462	410	380
	8%	478	426	396
	10%	494	443	413

Table 52. Cost of electricity production from PHS without price of energy from the grid (PV electricity) in the case of the Island of Krk, [€/kWh].

		Payback[years]		
		6	8	10
Interest rate	6%	273	221	190
	8%	289	237	206
	10%	305	253	223

Table 53. FIT according to capacity factor in the case the case of the Island of Krk.

Working hours at full load (or energy equivalent),	FIT
<1750 h	selected $\text{FIT}_{\text{PHS}_{\text{WGO}}}$ from Table 51
1750-2750	199.8 €/MWh
>2750	190.3 €/MWh

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