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### EU 2030 energy strategy

#### EU 2030 targets

- A 40% cut in greenhouse gas emissions compared to 1990 levels
- at least a 27% share of renewable energy consumption
- a 30% improvement in energy efficiency (compared to projections)







## > WP5 objectives

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## WP5 Objective

As current RES support schemes are phased out after 2020 new kinds of market mechanisms will have to be implemented that will in accordance with the EU energy policy:

- 1. Promote a competitive market with large shares of renewables and without support mechanisms.
- 2. Guarantee security of supply by providing market incentives to invest in generation.

WP5 will define a framework in which the effectivenes of market mechanisms can be studied and provide the first results.





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> KPIs





### WP5 Objective

Evaluate the most promising market design alternatives in terms of:

- Economic efficiency
- Effectiveness at integrating a high share of RES-E and achieving climate objectives
- Effectiveness at ensuring security of supply
- Robustness against diverging possible developments
- Implementability (compatibility with regulation, cost,...)
- Fariness (distribution of costs and benefits, price discrimination,...)





## > Transition to an electricity market dominated by fixed costs

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## Cost breakdown of electricity generation

Levelised Cost Estimates for Projects Starting in 2019 in UK



Source: Electricity generation costs 2013, DECC, UK.

Market **RES** 

# Rising share of capital costs in electric energy mix



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# Effect of cost of capital on wholesale electricity prices

	Cost of capital (WACC) <sup>1,2,3</sup>				
	12%	14%	10%	9%	8%
Energy price as share of reference	100%	109%	92%	87,5%	84%

- 1. Share of CAPEX in total cost 57,7% (40% emissions cut)
- 2. Nominal before taxes!
- 3. Length of financing period 30 years.

Increased risk (WACC 14%) instead of reduced risk (WACC 9%) results in a difference of 24% in the final energy price.

Risk reduction will become increasingly interesting for reducing the cost of electricity.

Market **RES** 

**Contracts for Differences UK** 

Foreign Direct Investment Security of supply 25.000 jobs Reduce WACC from 12%-14% to 10%





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Central Levelised Cost Estimates for Projects Starting in 2019



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## > Research methodology

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## **Research methodology:**

#### two complementary perspectives

- (i) Economic efficiency...
  - main quantitative KPI when assessing market design options
    - ightarrow focus of quantitative work under this WP
  - What does the system that minimizes costs / maximizes social welfare looks like?
  - $\rightarrow$  Optimization problem (*optimal mix*) under constraints (e.g. RES penetration)
    - Short-term (optimal management of existing assets)
    - Long-term (optimal investments)

#### ... v. (ii) market players' decisions

- The optimal situation has to be reached on the basis of distributed decisions made by market players maximizing their profits
- Profits depend on the market design

#### Practical criterion for assessing market designs:

ightarrow Get the system as close as possible from the optimal one



## **Research methodology:**

#### two complementary perspectives







## > Tools

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### **Classification of tools to be used in WP5**





# > Scenarios and market design options for 2030

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## Scenarios for 2030

#### Requirements

- Few scenarios (3-4) for resources reasons
- Contrasted enough to encompass a wide range of possible futures
- Compatible with all tools / comprehensive
  - Fixed & variable costs of projects, discount rate
  - Consumption, interconnection, availability of gen. units
  - RES power factors...

#### Scenarios set will therefore comprise:

- 1 "reference" or "median" 2030 scenario
- 2 or 3 alternative 2030 visions
- 1 reference 2020 scenario, used as a starting point in investmenoriented studies



### Market design options

- (1) Market for RES: how to fulfil 50% RES by 2030?
  - Direct support (FIP) v. emissions tax/quotas

#### (2) Energy-only market with 50 % RES

#### What is the impact of the development of RES on the wholesale price?

- Level of revenues of each technology: tough question since most optimal mix tools assume each one is exactly profitable...
- Volatility, level of risk and adjustment of the discount rate

## (3) Market with RES: how to still ensure economic efficiency and SoS? May the energy only market short of something...

- How to ensure the appropriate level of investment in generation?
- How to ensure the proper development of:
  - demand response
  - storage
  - transmission network





> Parallel work sessions





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