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# Final energy demand levels off from 2030

- · Energy demand getting back to pre-Covid levels
- Final energy demand peaks around 2040, slightly above 2021 figures (13%), and remains then flat to 2050
- Reduction in energy intensity
  - energy consumed per unit of GDP will reduce by 2.4%/yr over the next 30 years
- · Energy efficiency achieved via electrification
  - Transport: electric vehicles + hydrogen
  - · Buildings: heat pumps
  - · Industry: decarbonization by using hydrogen

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# Norway – First step

- Two areas:
  - Utsira Nord, potential 1.5 GW, floating
  - Sørlige Nordsjø II, potential 3 GW, fixed
- Auction for first chunk of SNII opened end of March, sites will be awarded in Dec
- SNII first phase will be a 1500 MW radial link to Norway. For the second phase, a hybrid interconnector to other countries may be considered.
- Statnett's analyses show that a hybrid solution would be more socioeconomically beneficial than a radial link.

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# Target Grid 2045

- A network of DC superhighways and energy hubs, and a significantly improved existing AC grid
- In 2045, DE and NL face more than doubling of electricity consumption
- They will be able to produce approximately 70 GW of offshore wind energy each
- to be delivered as efficiently as possible to industries and households in NL, DE, and other European countries.
- Look at animation <u>here</u>

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# State-of-the-art of technology?









- Cables
  - Mass-impregnated paper
  - 600 kV, 2.2 GW in operation (PPL)
  - 800 kV
  - Extruded polymer
    - 525 kV, 2.1 GW qualified
    - 640 kV, type tested

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- Converters
  - Voltage sourced converters
  - 800 kV, 5 GW in operation
  - Line commutated converters
    1,100 kV, 12 GW in operation
- Switchgear
  - HVDC circuit breakers
  - 500 kV, 25 kA in operation
  - HVDC gas insulated switchgear
    - 250 kV in operation 525 kV qualified

# What are the main barriers?

- Inadequate cross-jurisdiction coordination
- Incompatible regulatory frameworks
- Insufficient operational experience
- Lack of standardization
- Unsolved vendor interoperability issues
- · Limited supply chain

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Onshore AC grid constraints



### HVDC grids - related collaborations 2014 2020 2022 2024 2016 2018 2026 Best Paths Call budget: 62.8 M€ EC contribution: 35.5 M€ Oct 2022 - Mar 2026 Oct 2014-Sep 2018 HVDC-WISE Total budget: 6.9 M€ EC contribution: 6.5 M€ 14 Partners from 39 Partners from 11 European countries 11 European countries **PROMOTioN** READY PROGRESS ON MESHED HVDC OFFSHORE TRANSMISSION **OPERA** Apr 2022 - Sep 2023 一种 Total budget: 1M€ EC contribution: 1 M€ Jan 2016 - Dec 2019 Total budget: 42M € Jan 2023 - Apr 2027 7 Partners 34 Partners from Total budget: 69 M€ 11 European countries EC contribution: 50 M€ 17 Partners HVDC grids feasibility proven DNV © 18 APRIL 2023 32 DNV

Summary
<ul> <li>Multi-terminal HVDC transmission grids:</li> <li>have significant benefits over multiple point-point links</li> <li>already exist → the technology is ready</li> <li>are a key enabler of the energy transition</li> <li>Pilot projects needed to demonstrate technical feasibility and project benefits</li> <li>Cooperation and collaboration across all stakeholder levels needed to achieve:</li> <li>Standardisation to enable technical compatibility and interoperability</li> <li>Coordination to unlock project synergies and realize societal benefits</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Looking further: combine offshore wind and hydrogen storage in energy island concepts</li> </ul>
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# What is the difference?

# **Multiple point-point links**

- Allows different technologies and voltage levels for each link
  - Optimise design & operation of each link
- · Avoids project dependencies
  - Schedule
  - Terminal locations
  - · Anticipatory investments for expandability
- · Simplifies multi-vendor interoperability
  - Systems from different vendors coupled at AC side guided by AC grid codes
- Proven, accepted technology

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# **Multi-terminal grid**

- Fewer converters
  - Lower losses
  - Lower footprint
    - · Lower socio-environmental impact
  - Lower permitting burden
  - Higher availability
- Better utilization
  - Multi-purpose use
- Fewer cables (for meshed systems)
  - Use redundant paths to satisfy most severe single contingency constraints

# HVDC grids – Opportunities Benefits of HVDC grids: Better use of wind resource Better market integration Relieve transmission grid congestion

- Overlay DC grid as backbone of the 2050 European grid
  - Coordination to unlock project synergies and realize societal benefits
  - Standardisation to enable **technical compatibility** and interoperability
- · Integration with the AC grid, some aspects to consider
  - · Availability vs redundancy
  - Protection coordination
  - Additional support functionalities
  - · Control interactions and other power quality concerns

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# MT-HVDC grid as a backbone?

- A multiterminal, overlay DC grid can become the backbone of the European grid to 2050
  - How will the 2050 grid look like? HVDC grids will evolve organically → need to be expandable
  - · How to enable and prepare for expansion? Standardization, modularization, extra space on platforms?
- · Integration of HVDC grid with the AC grid, some aspects to consider
  - · Availability vs redundancy, how much redundancy is needed?
  - · Protection coordination, make use of faster fault clearing in HVDC links?
  - · Additional support, eg reactive power, voltage support functionality, inertia
  - · Control interactions and other power quality concerns
- · Cooperation across all stakeholder levels needed to achieve
  - · Standardisation to enable technical compatibility and interoperability
  - · Coordination to unlock project synergies and realize societal benefits

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Source: Terna



- · In March, Terna unveiled its 2023 Development Plan of Italy's transmission grid, totaling €21bn of investments in the next 10 yrs, (+17% compared to the previous plan)
- · The Hypergrid project comprises five new electricity 'backbones' (total €11bn investment) that combined with Thyrrenian link and existing HVDC links - will create an overlay DC grid
- · Double the power transmission capacity from south to north from today's 16 GW to 30 GW
- · Terna has connection requests for 300GW today
- The plan includes 500kV marine connections and extensive use of DCCBs by 2032



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# 70% of electricity will come from solar and wind

Storage is essential for the inclusion of variable renewables in electricity World utility-scale electricity storage capacity Units: TWh Co-located with solar Standalone long duration Standalone Li-ion battery 30 Pumped hydro 15 1990 2000 2010 2020 2030 2040 2050 44 DNV © DNV



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# Electrification is key to the energy transition

- By 2050, the share of electricity has almost doubled, from ca 19% to ca 36%
- Hydrogen from 0 to ca 5% of global demand
- · Coal and oil reduce their share
- · Use of gas will decline slightly

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- Electricity will be generated for >80% by renewables, wind and solar combined give 70%
- Solar+storage grows despite the high price compared to solar only















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TenneT offshore at a glance Current offshore transmission capacity (Germany and the Netherlands) 9,932 MW 4 total cable length interconnectors ~ 3,700 km 16 offshore grid connections Length up to 29 TWh 250 km transmission of of offshore wind energy per connection 58 April 6, 2023 C1 - Public Information 🗇 теллет

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