

Wind Energy in Greece

Current Status, Developments, Market & Technology Trends

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Wind Energy Development

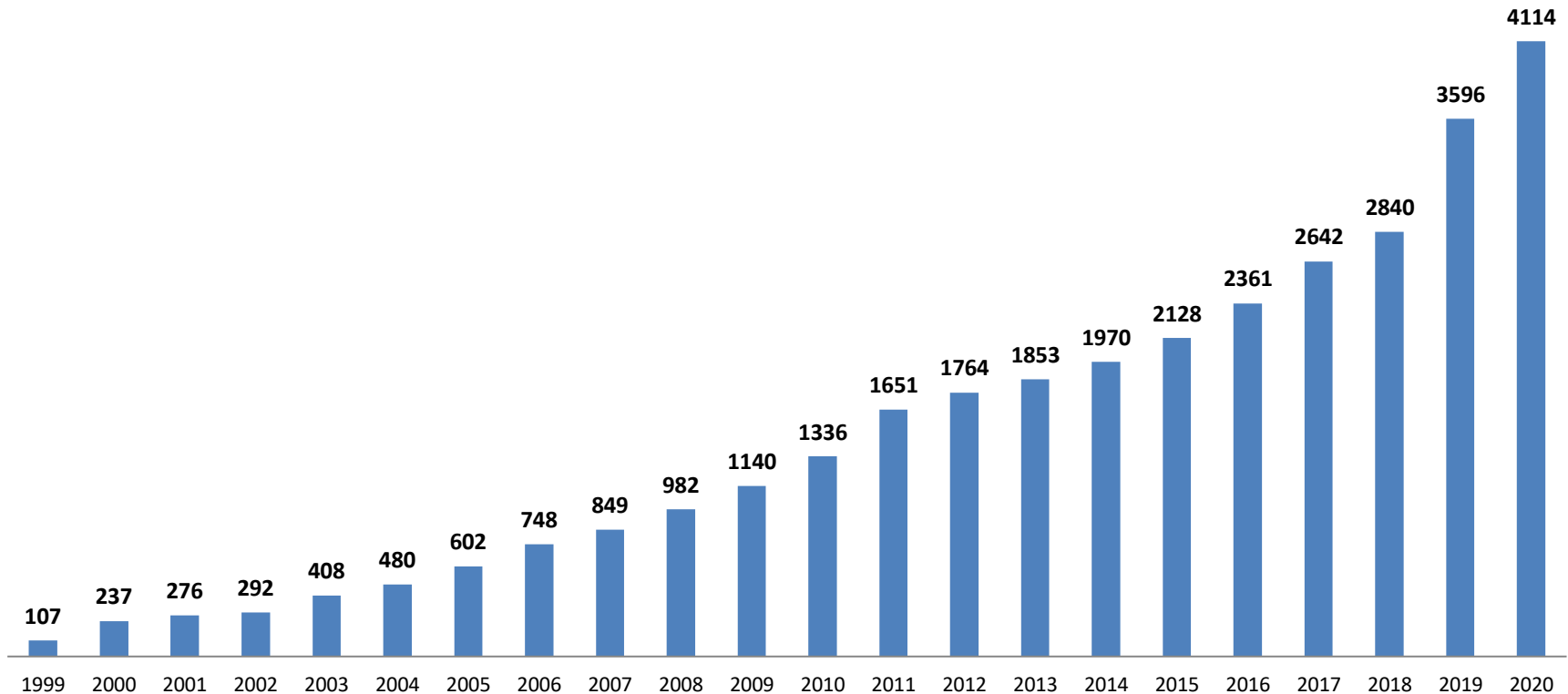
- Current situation
- 2030 targets



Evolution of Wind Energy in Greece



Total capacity to the grid (MW) per year



Source: HWEA, Wind Statistics 2020



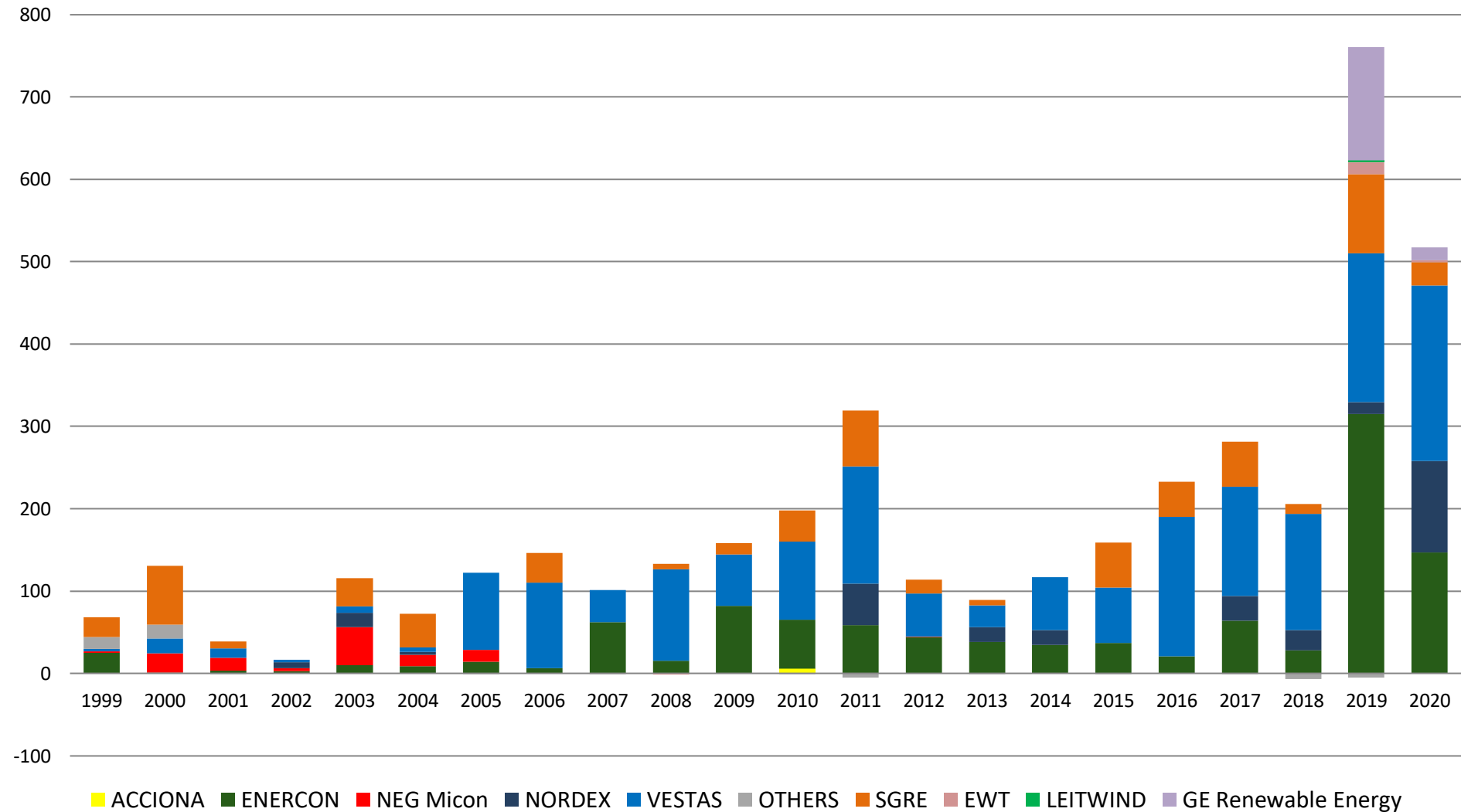
Total installed wind capacity (end 2020)

4.114 MW

Wind energy in Greece, 1999-2020



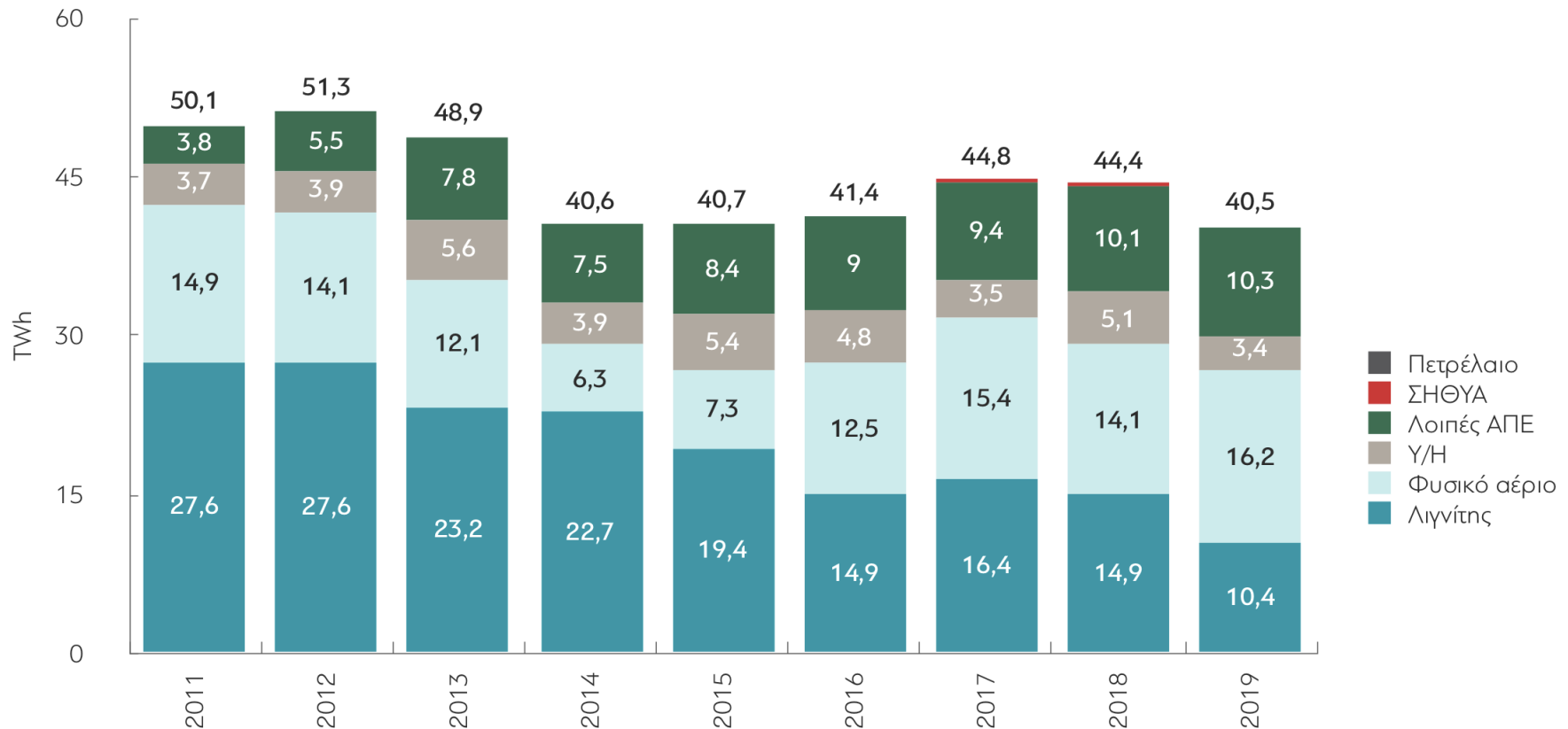
Capacity (MW) per year per manufacturer



Electricity production in Greece (interconnected System)

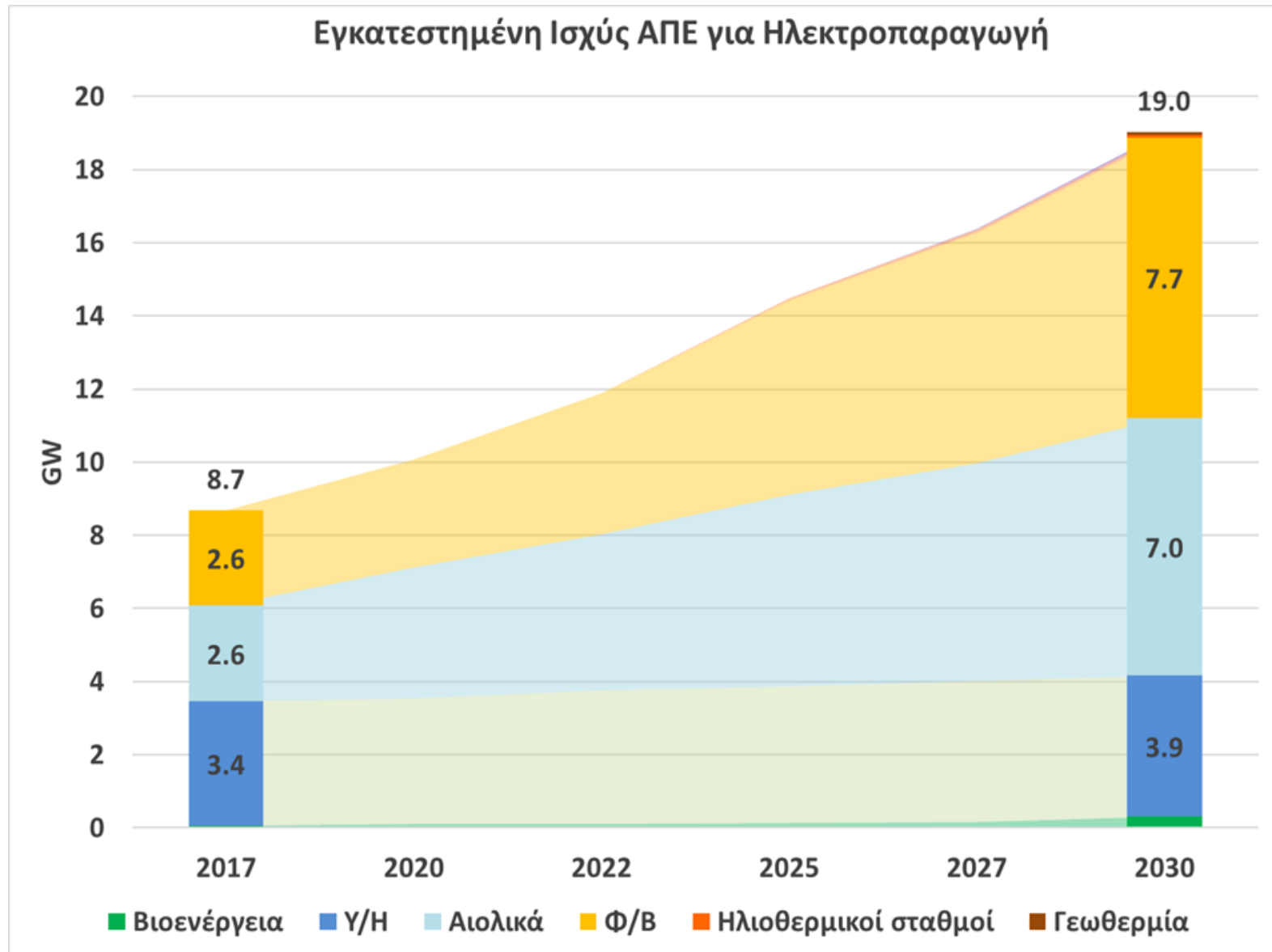


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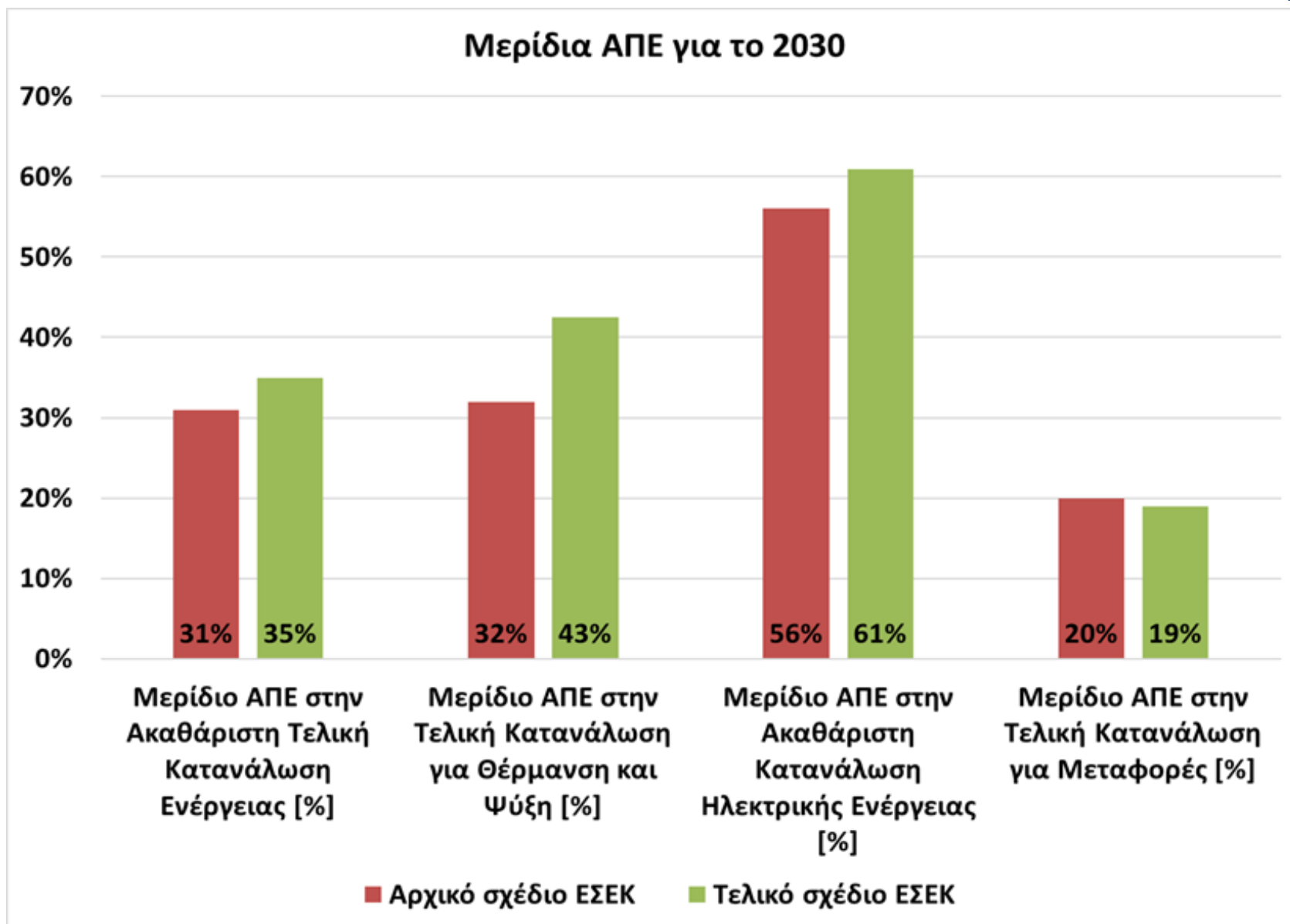


Πηγή: ΑΔΜΗΕ, ΔΑΠΕΕΠ, ΛΑΓΗΕ.

Still we have a long way to go...



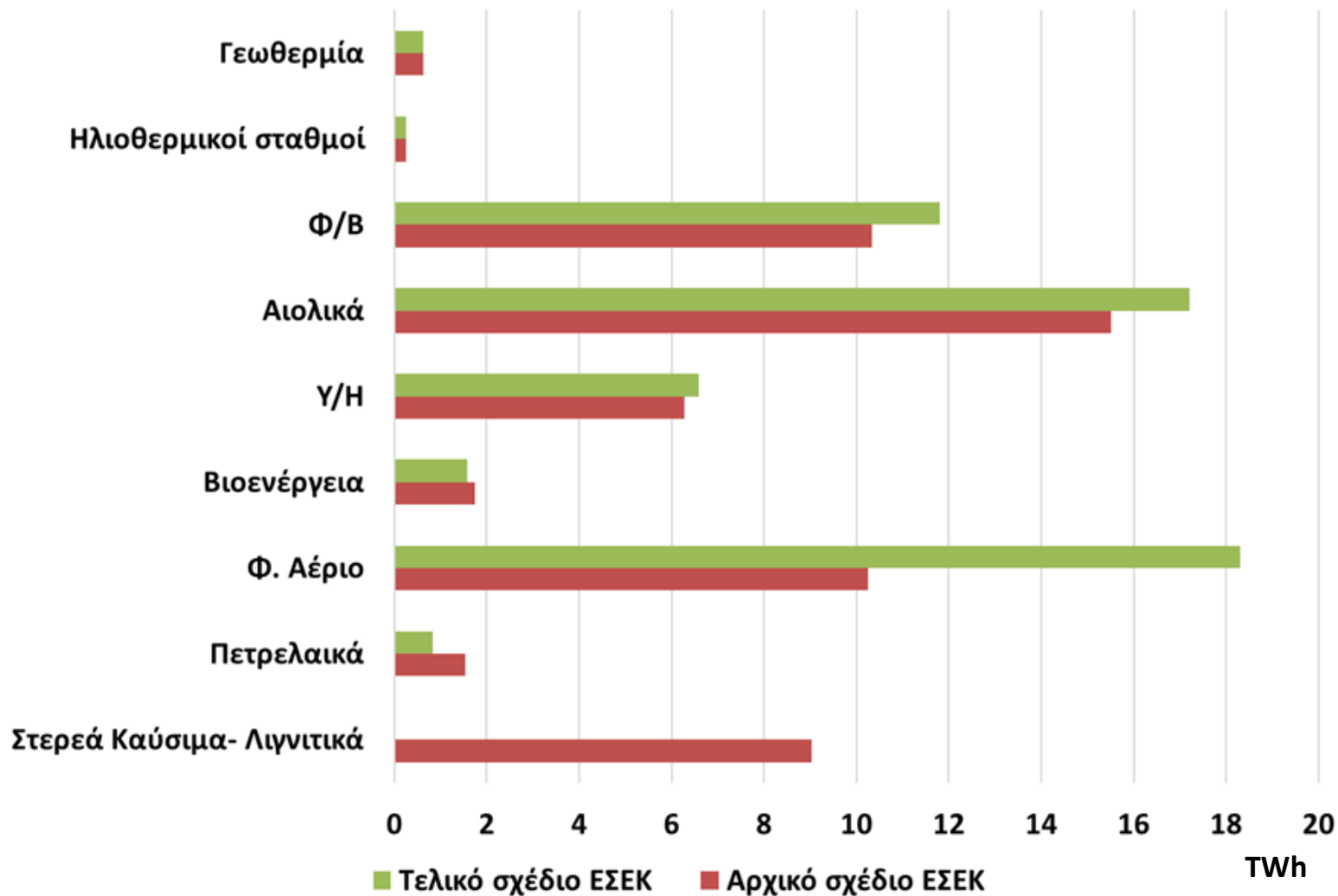
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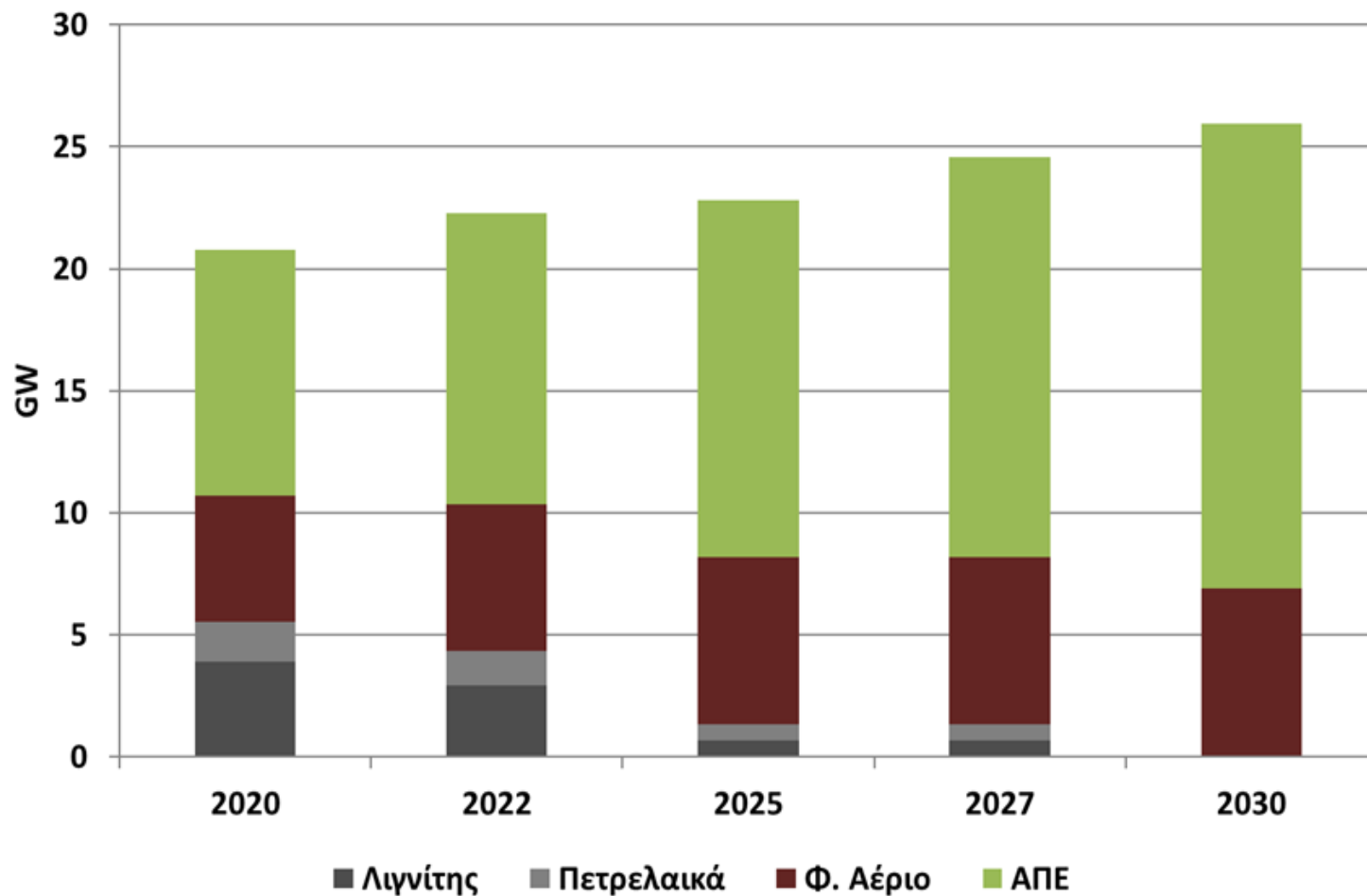
Συμμετοχή καυσίμων στην καθαρή ηλεκτροπαραγωγή για το 2030



The new National Climate & Energy Plan, 2030



Εγκατεστημένη Ισχύς για Ηλεκτροπαραγωγή

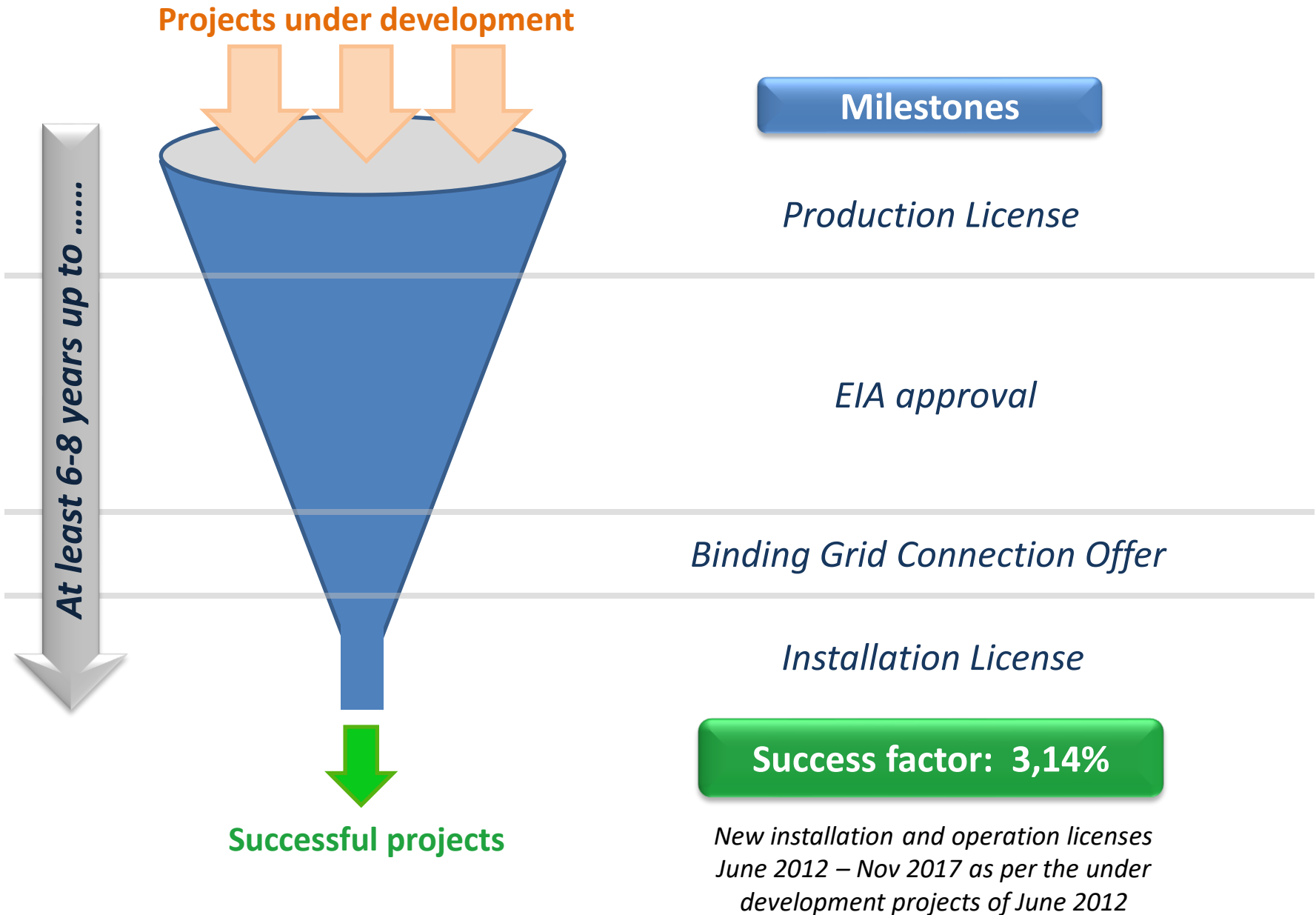


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Licensing milestones
Legislation framework



Wind Energy Development in Greece



A complete legislation framework ...



2008

Spatial Framework for RES

2010

MD 37338/2010 for SPAs (characterization species)

2011

Law 4014/2011 (environmental licensing)

Law 3937/2011 for the protection of biodiversity

2012

MD 8353/2012 for SPAs (mitigation measures)

2013

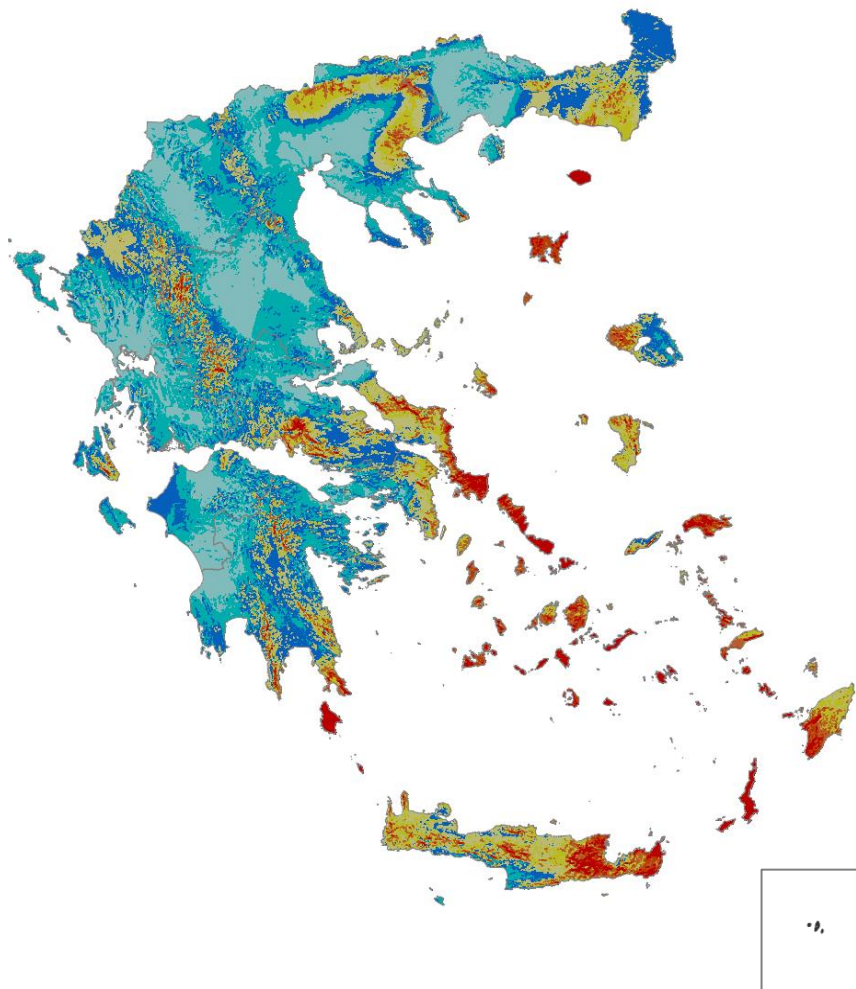
MD 167563/2013: new procedure for environmental licensing

2014

MD170225/2014: specifications of environmental studies

Law 4280/2014 (new forestial Law): reforestation of equal area

... in line with EU legislation



- Approved after Strategic Environmental Assessment
- Approved by the Council of State in plenary session (Dec.1422/2013)
- Legal basis for several decisions of the Council of State
- Main characteristics:
 - Strict rules and restrictions (exclusion zones, min. distances etc)
 - Transparency and equal treatment for every project
- A dynamic framework
- Its consequences are continually adjusted to the application of the legislation for the protective areas
- Indicatively, the legislation foresees the process for new NRs and Strict NRs, which – according to the Spatial Framework- are exclusion areas

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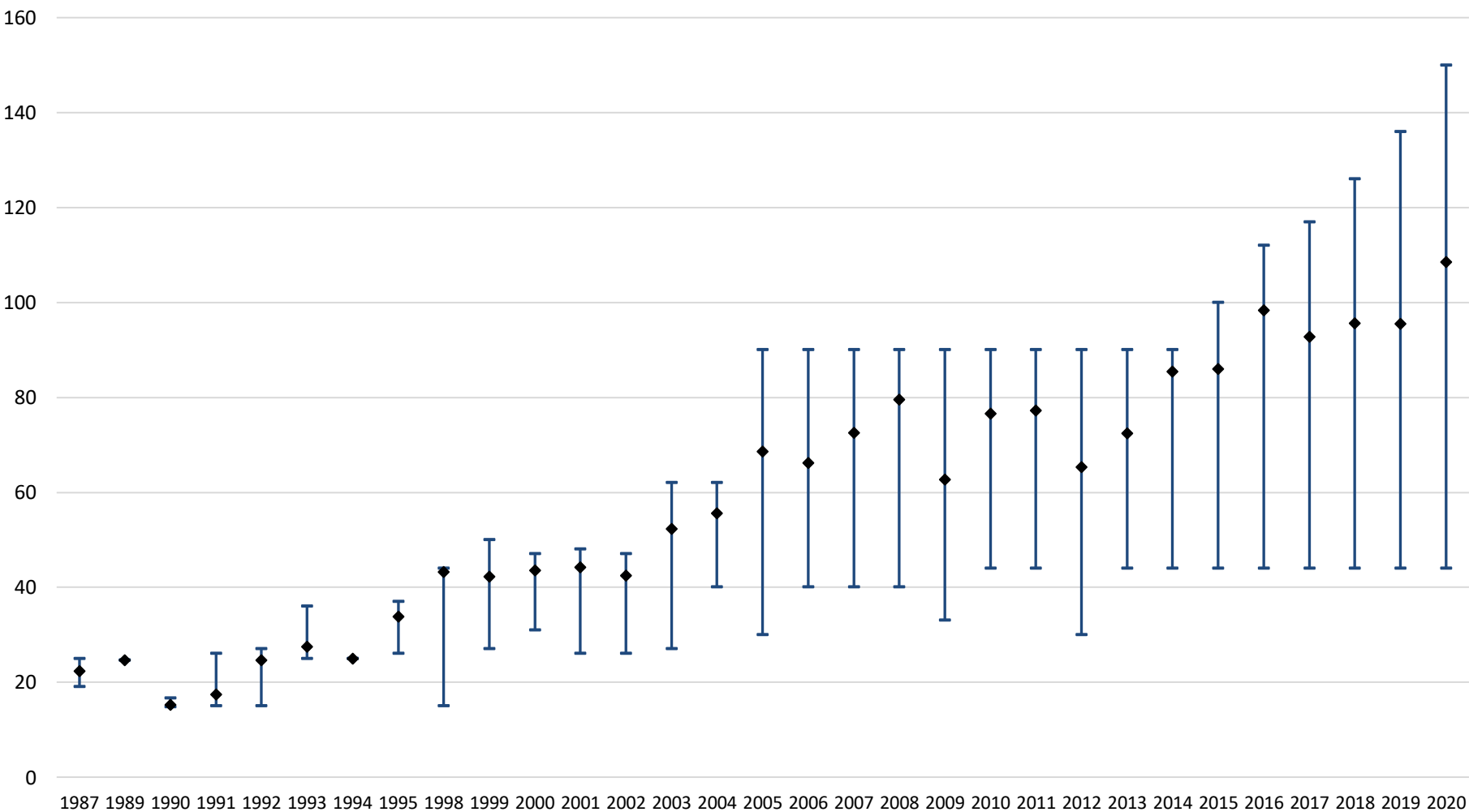
Technology Trends



Greece: Evolution of installed WEC characteristics



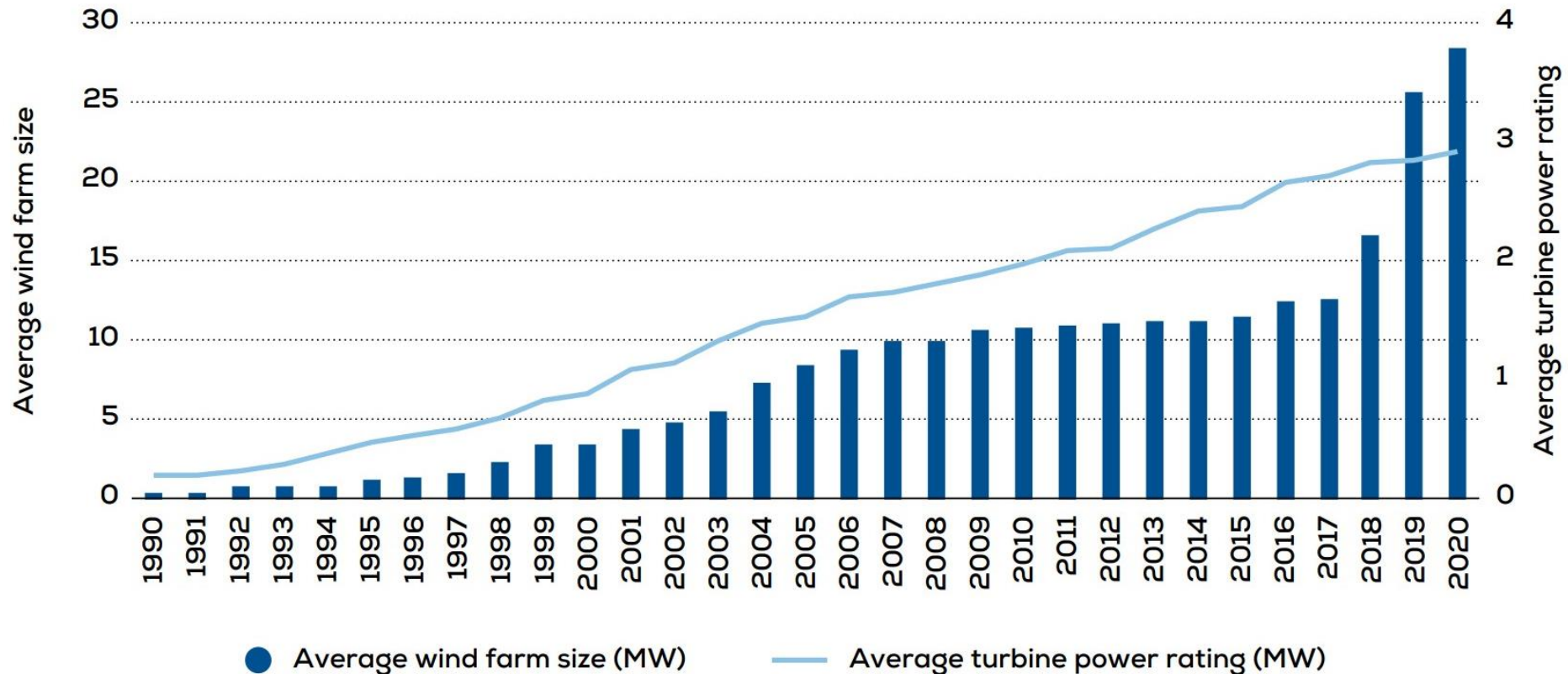
Min / Max / Weighted average - Rotor Diameter Per Year



Onshore wind farm and turbine size in Europe



Average annual installed wind farm size and average turbine power rating for onshore wind in Europe

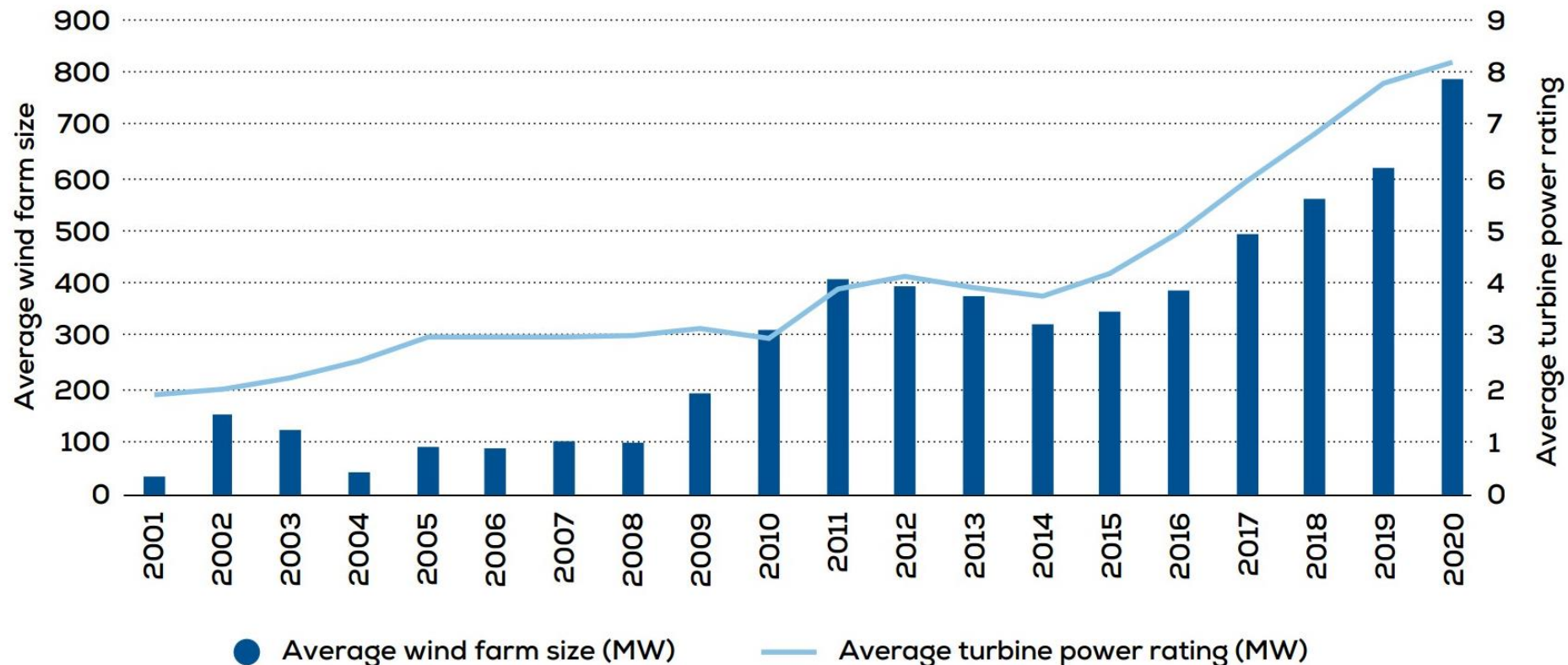


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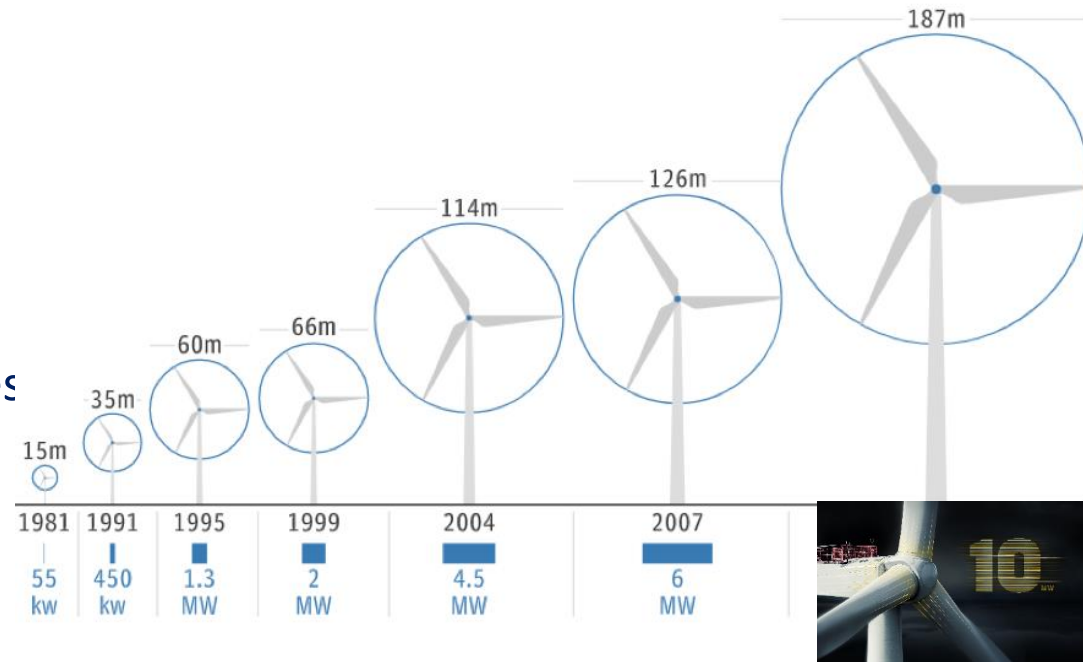


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Wind turbine technology trends



- Bigger rotors!
- WTGs focused in low wind areas
- No more WTGs below 3MW
- Onshore >4MW >140m rotor
- Offshore >10MW >160m rotor
- European industry still dominates but..
- China is coming..
- Digitalization & Big Data
- Need for endless R&I



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need for endless R&I



EU is still the leader in R&I in wind energy

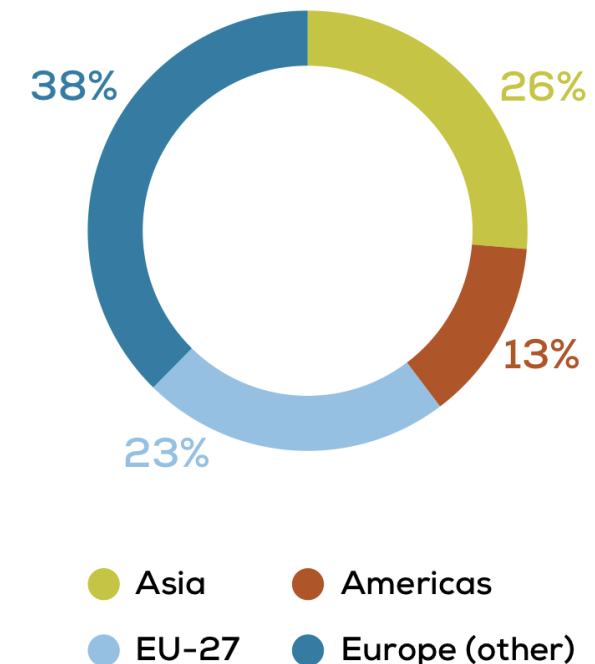
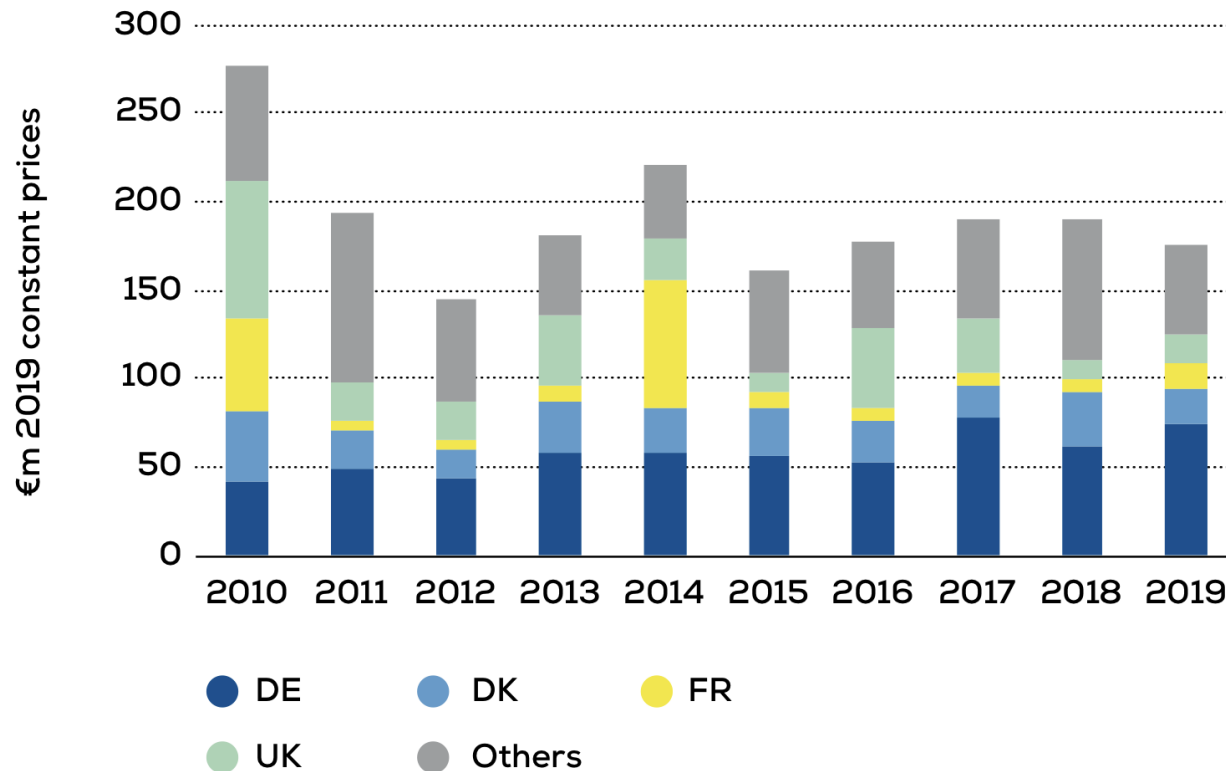
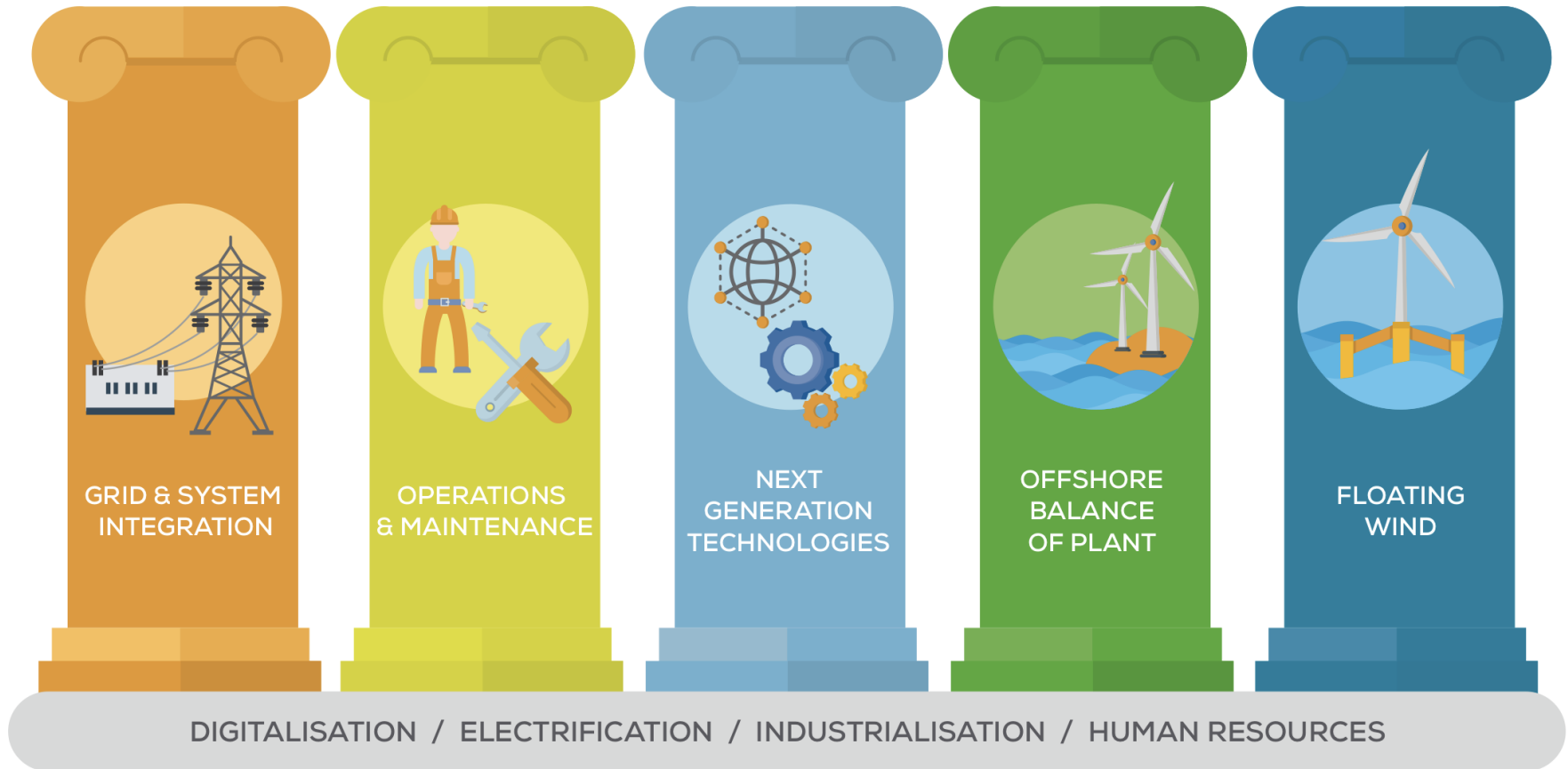


Figure 1.2.2. Public funding for wind energy research & innovation in the EU-28¹¹⁶.

Figure 1.2.3. Global funding for wind energy research & innovation in 2019¹¹⁷.

The five pillars of wind energy R&I



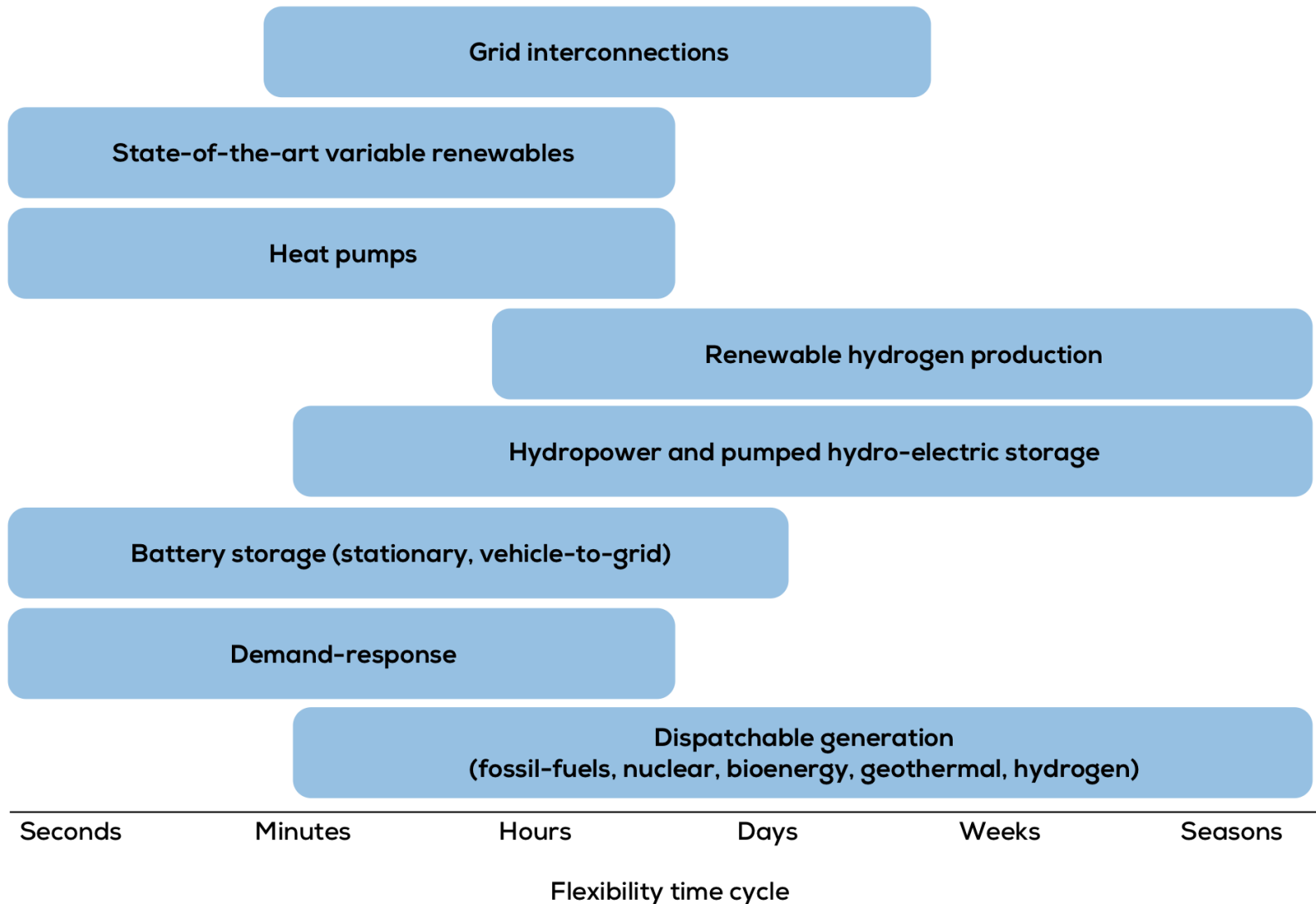
The five pillars of wind energy research & innovation. Source: ETIPWind, 2018, Strategic Research & Innovation Agenda.

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a couple of things more
re. technology trends...
besides wind turbines



Large RES penetrations need Storage & Flexibility

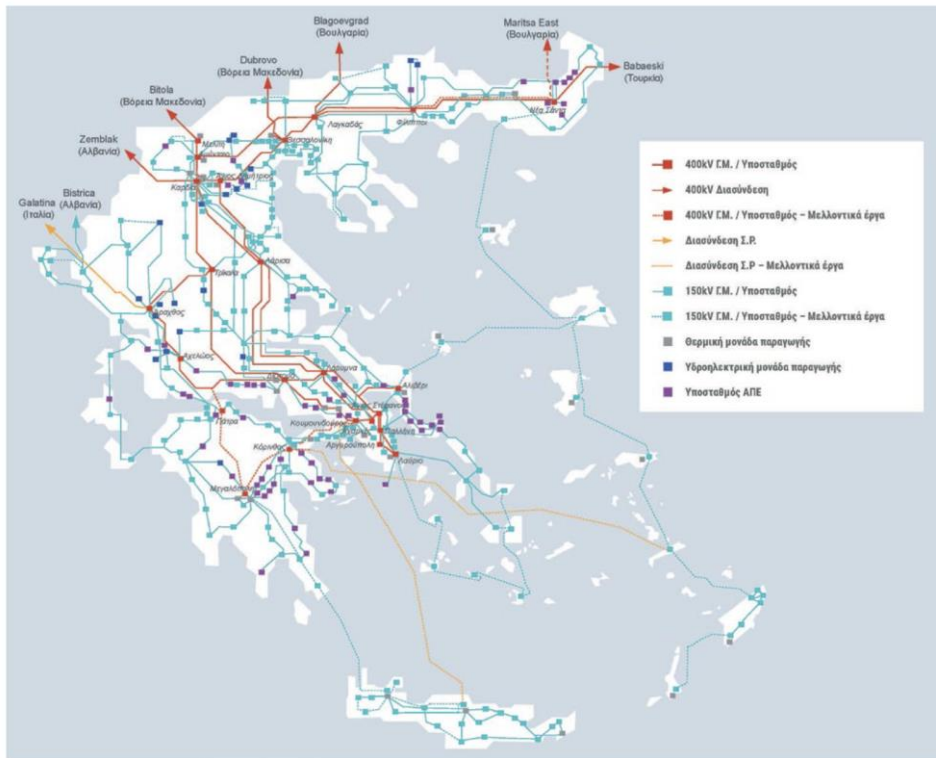


Grid optimisation technologies



Old passive networks must be upgraded and updated with new grid technologies!

Διάγραμμα Ελληνικό Διασυνδεδεμένο Σύστημα Μεταφοράς Ηλεκτρικής Ενέργειας, Απρίλιος 2017



Source: IPTO/ADMIE

Advanced monitoring

- Dynamic Line Rating
- Substation Fleet Digitalisation
- Asset Performance Management

Advanced system operation control devices

- Phase-Shifting Transformer
- Solid-State Transformer
- Static Synchronous Series Compensator
- Modular Power Flow Control Technology
- Thyristor-controlled Series Compensator
- Static Synchronous Compensator
- Static VAR Compensator
- Adaptive Protection Scheme
- Synchronous Condensers

Advanced converter technologies

- Grid-forming capabilities
- Black-start

Line and voltage upgrades

- High Temperature Low Sag conductors
- Voltage uprate

DC transmission

- HVDC technology
- AC TO DC line upgrade
- Superconductor

Source: ETIP Wind, Wind Europe, Fit for 55, set for 2050 report

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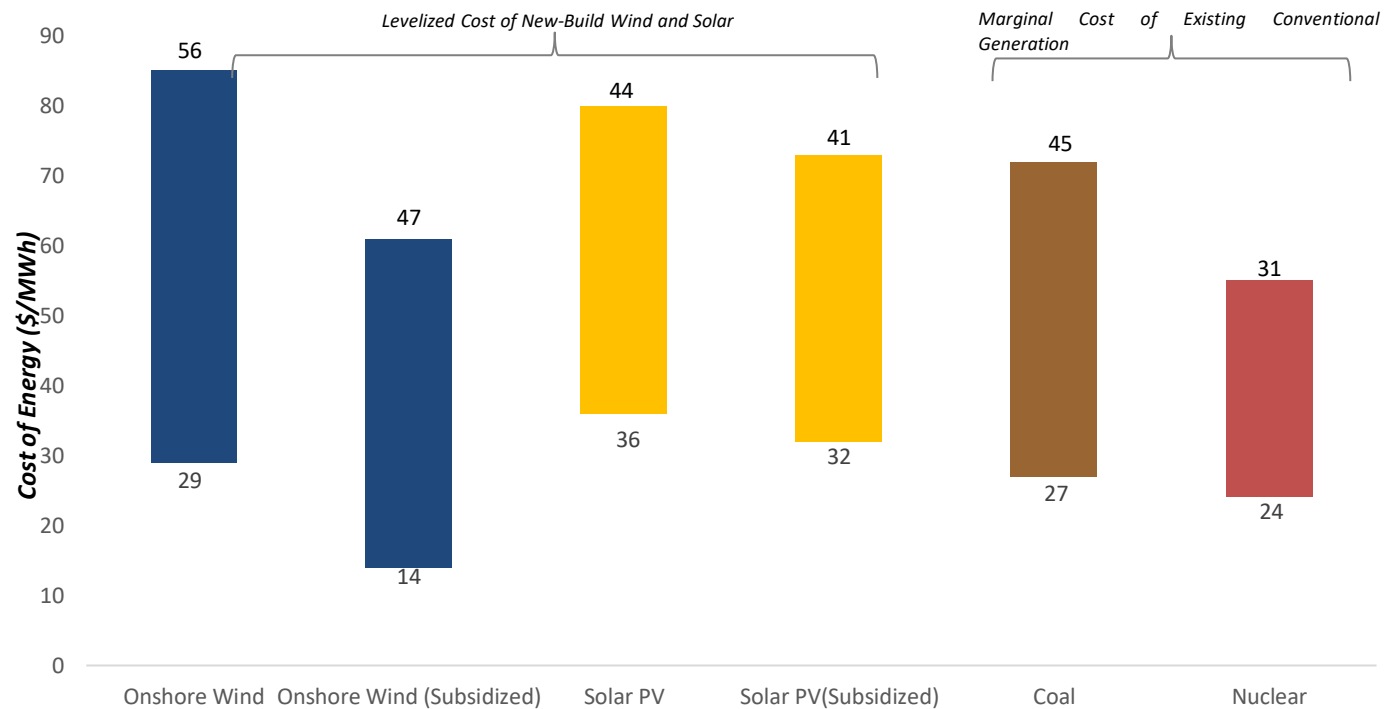
Wind energy market: Cost figures & prices evolution



WIND ENERGY IS A COST COMPETITIVE TECHNOLOGY.. (1)



LCOE of RES in comparison of conventional power units

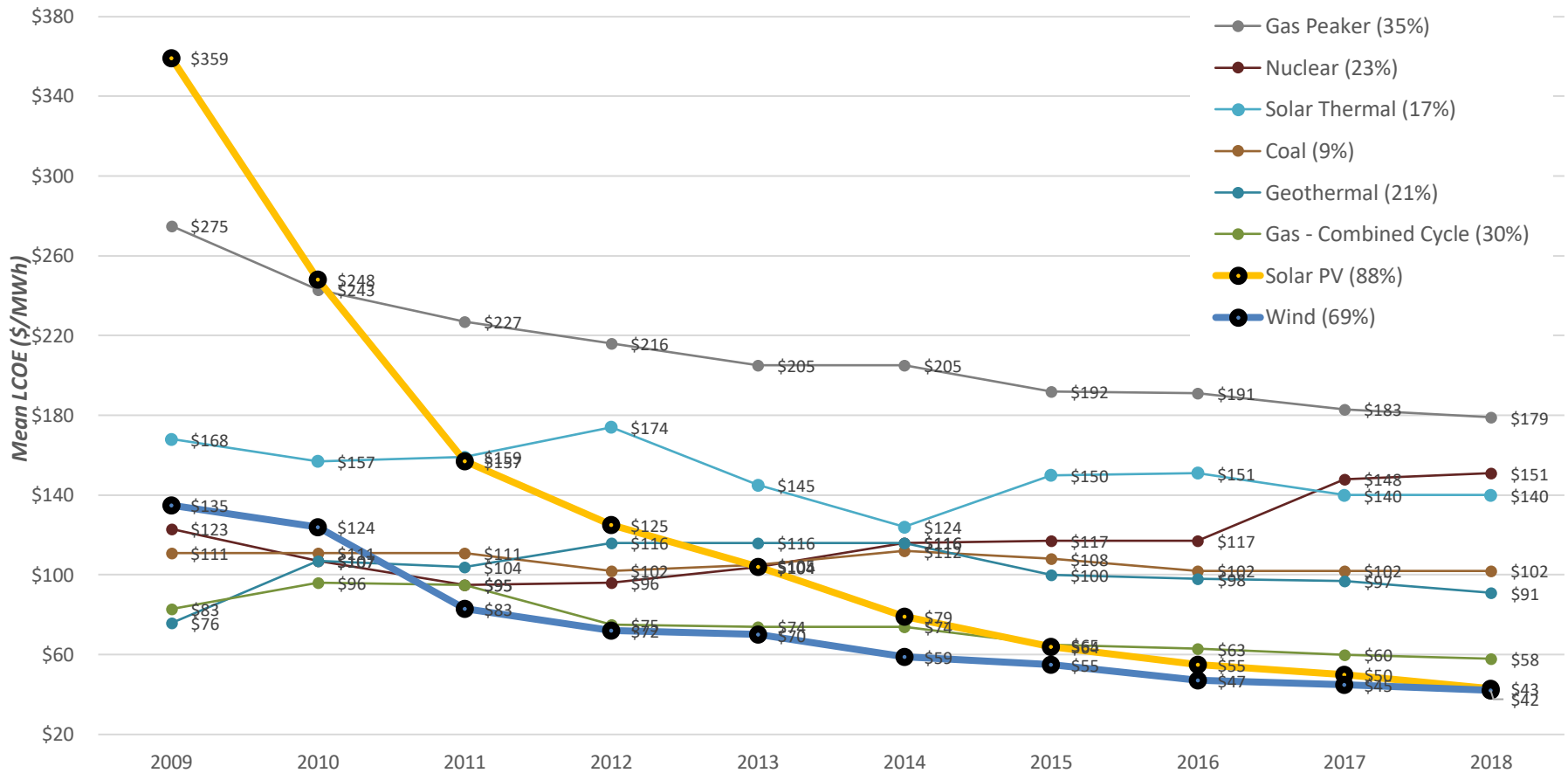


Source: LAZARD'S LEVELIZED COST OF ENERGY ANALYSIS - VERSION 12.0

WIND ENERGY IS A COST COMPETITIVE TECHNOLOGY.. (2)

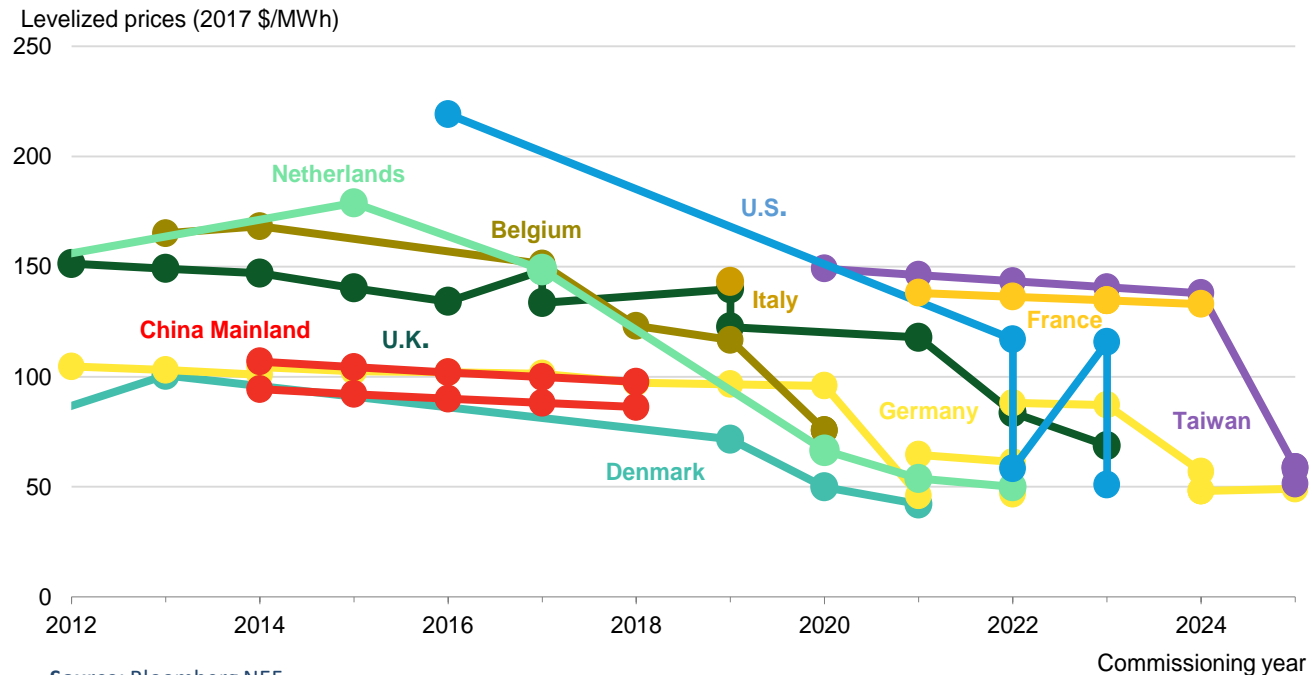


LCOE Historical evolution of power production technologies



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Offshore wind LCOE (bottom fixed)



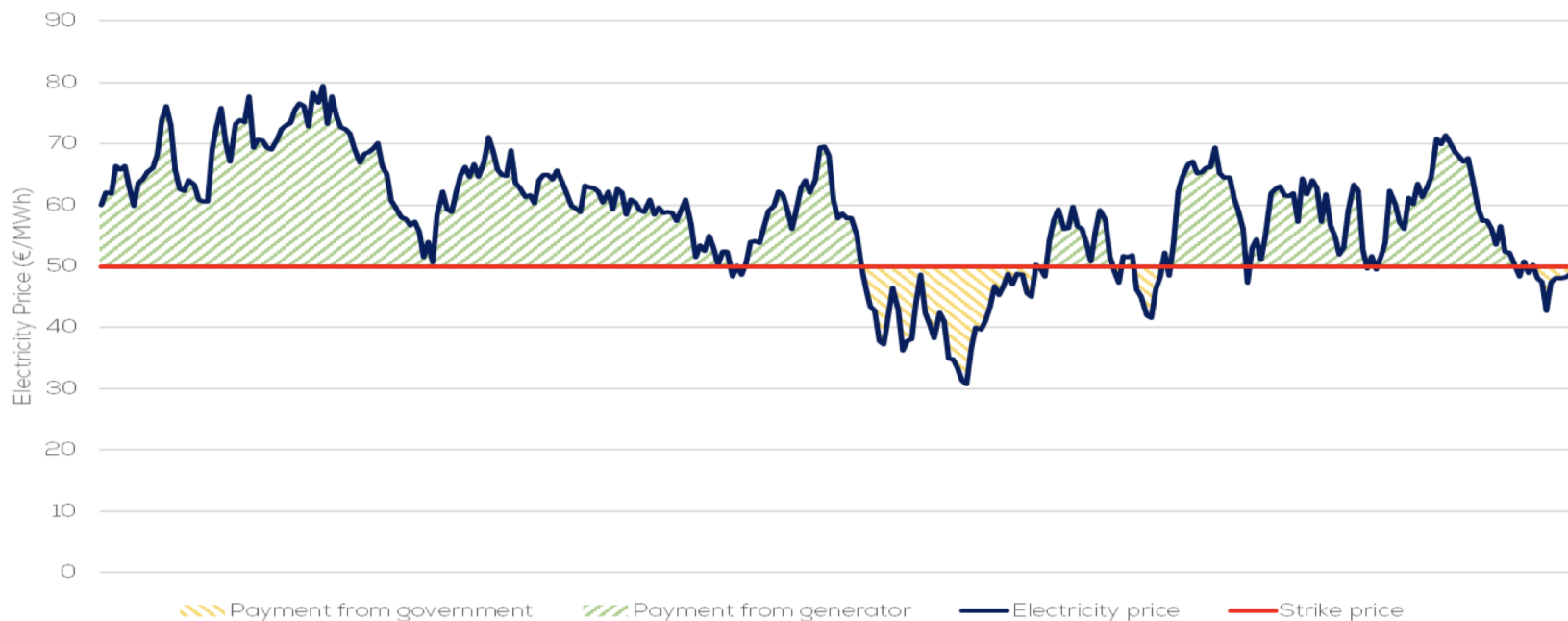
The cost reduction journey of bottom fixed offshore wind provides confidence for similar floating wind LCOE decrease

2-sided CfDs is the current trend



- ✓ support for RES without subsidies
- ✓ protection for consumers from paying increased costs when market prices are high
- ✓ visibility and certainty for the wind farm developer and the supply chain
- ✓ much lower borrowing costs
- ✓ unlocks capital to finance the transition at lower cost and further reduce electricity prices.

Structure of 2-sided Contract for Difference

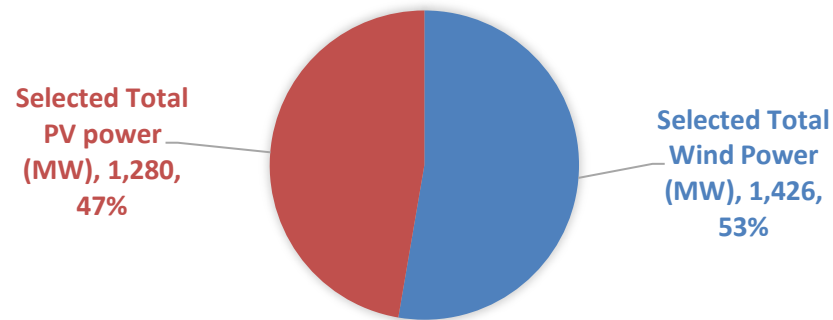




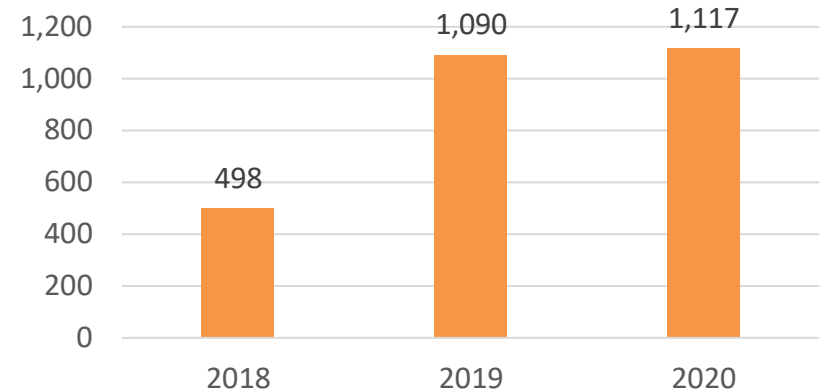
Main facts of the 13 Auctions conducted in the period 2018-2020

- More than 2.705MW of PV and Wind projects were selected in 13 conducted auctions

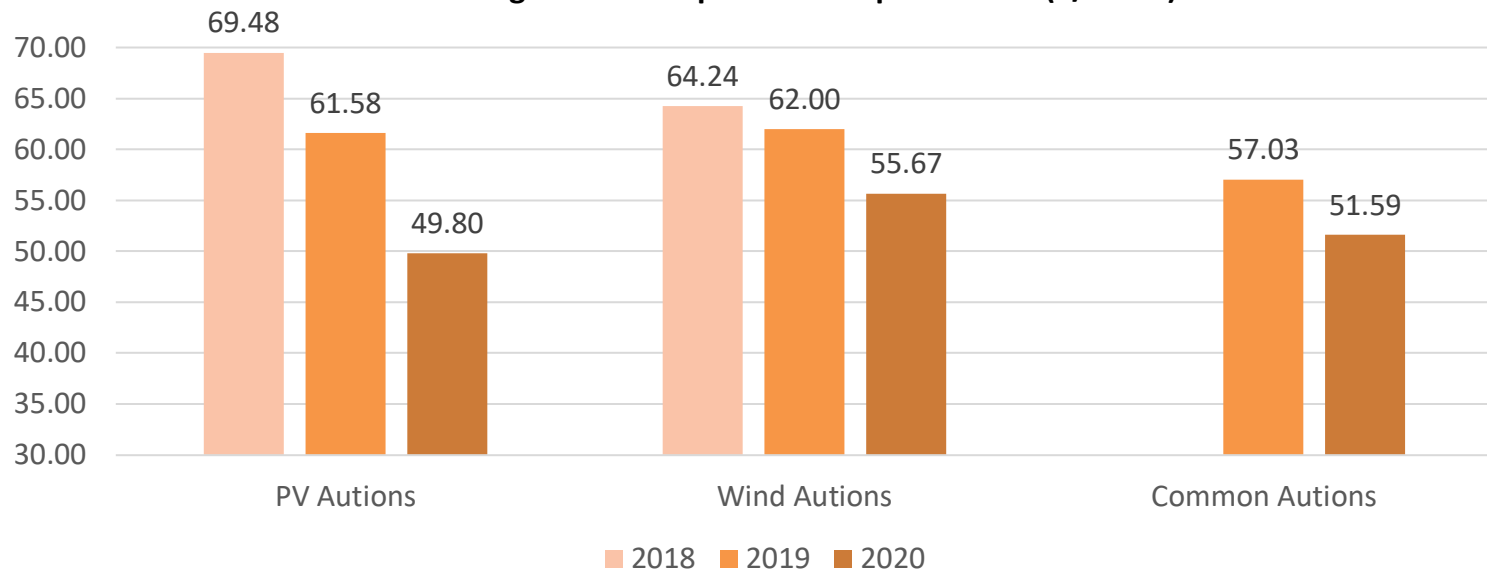
**POWER SELECTED THROUGH AUCTION
PROCEDURES IN THE PERIOD 2018-2020 (MW)**



**POWER SELECTED THROUGH AUCTION
PROCEDURES PER YEAR (MW)**



Average RV of competitive RES procedures (€/MWh)





RECENT DEVELOPMENTS



Auction's procedures

Based on the Ministry's announcements: Extension of the tender procedures for wind onshore and PV projects up to 2024 at the latest, for 2.1 GW in total



Next auction

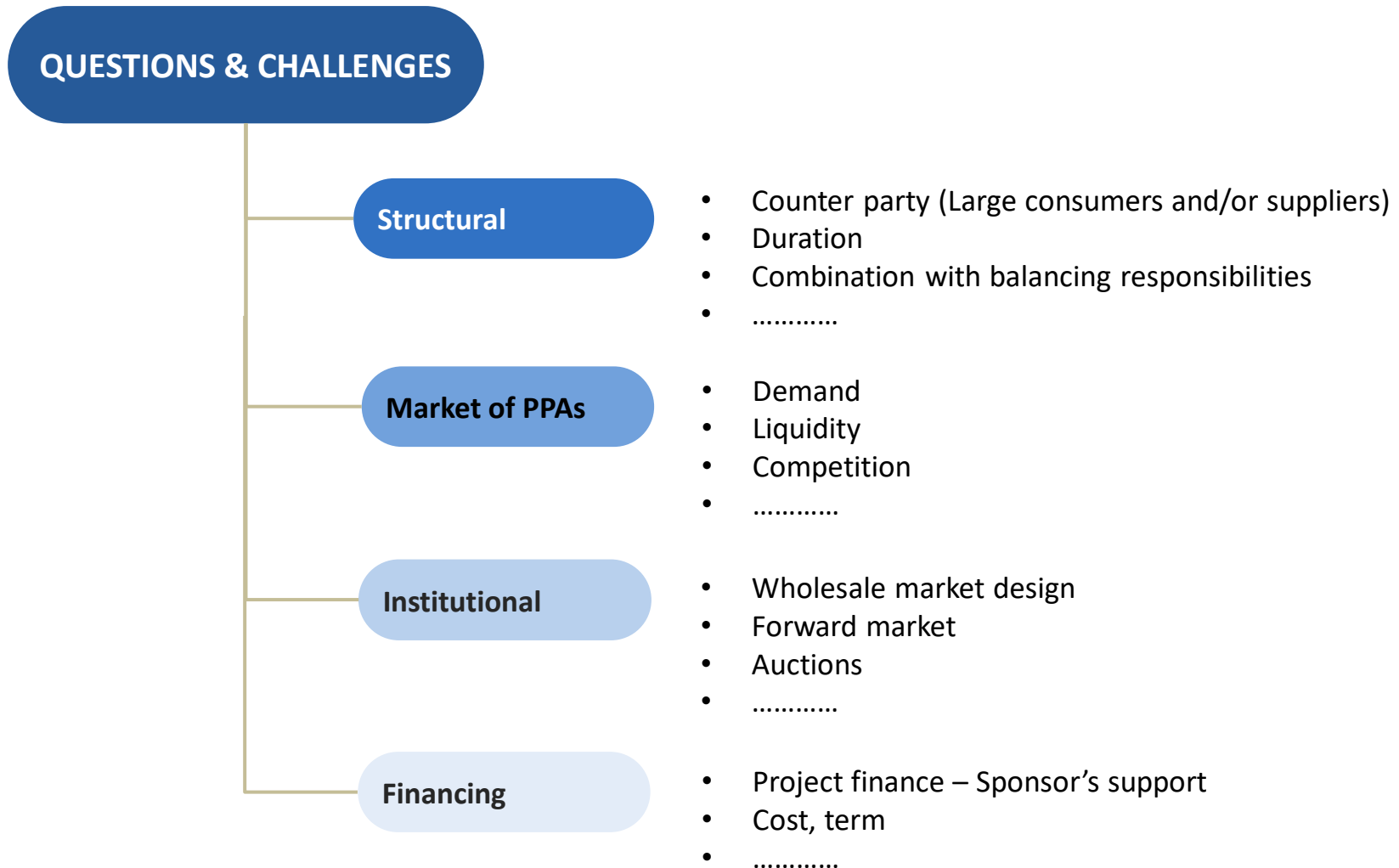
In December 2020 the last common auction was announced under the current regime, through which 350 MW of power will be auctioned in May 2021



New auction scheme

Based on the Ministry's announcements, the new scheme will incorporate improvements in its architecture compared to the existing one.

Corporate PPAs in Greece – Questions & Challenges

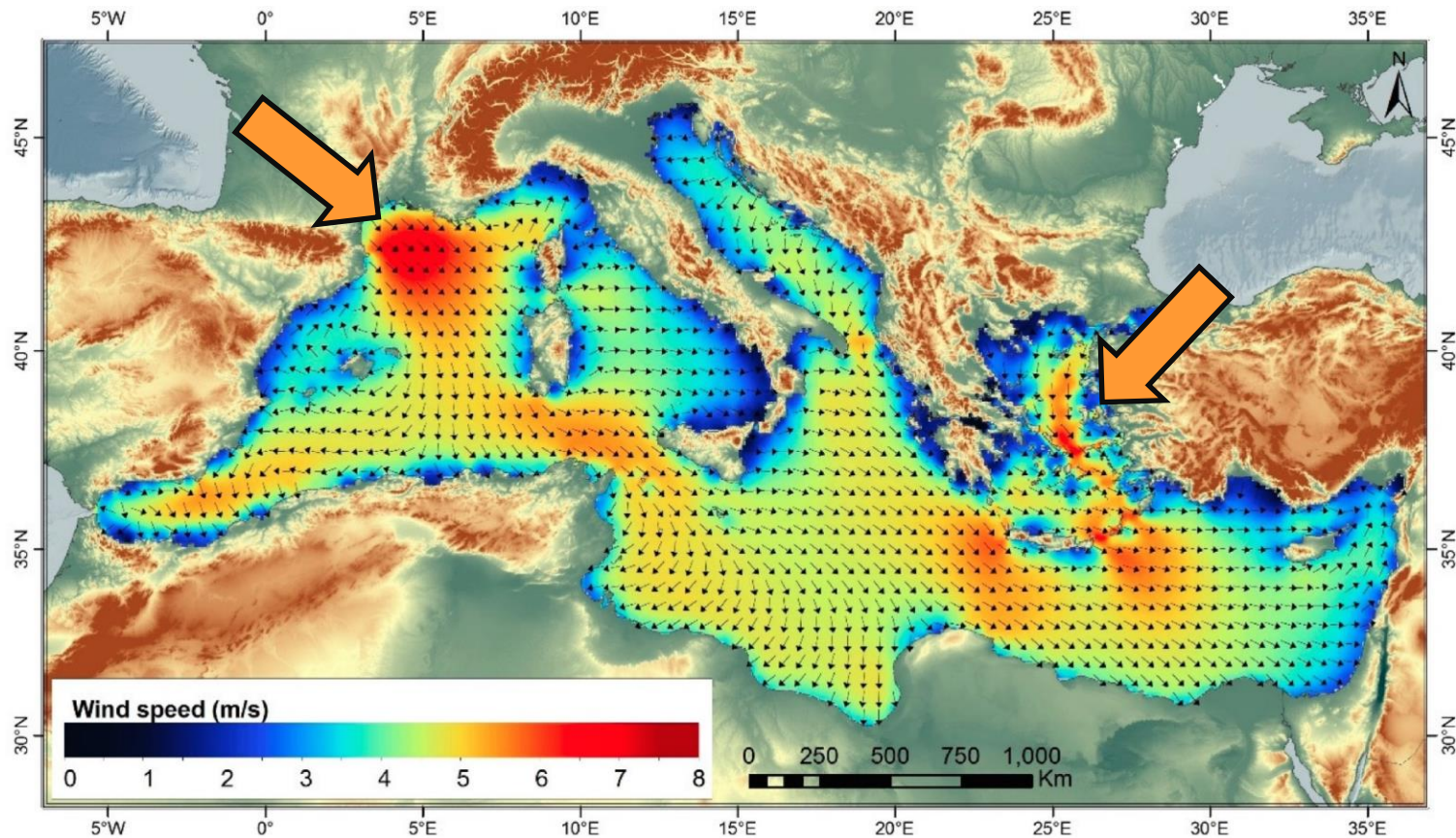


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The next frontier:
Floating offshore wind

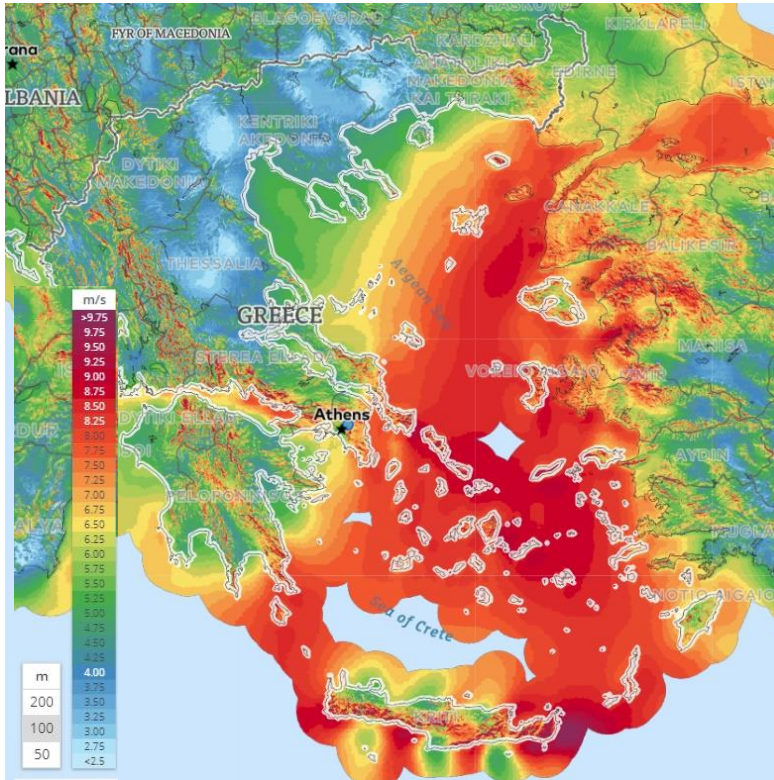


The opportunity of the Greek seas



Source: Marine Renewable Energy in the Mediterranean Sea: Status and Perspectives, Soukissian et. al., energies, 2017

The unexploited winds of the Aegean sea



Main challenges for Offshore wind in Greece

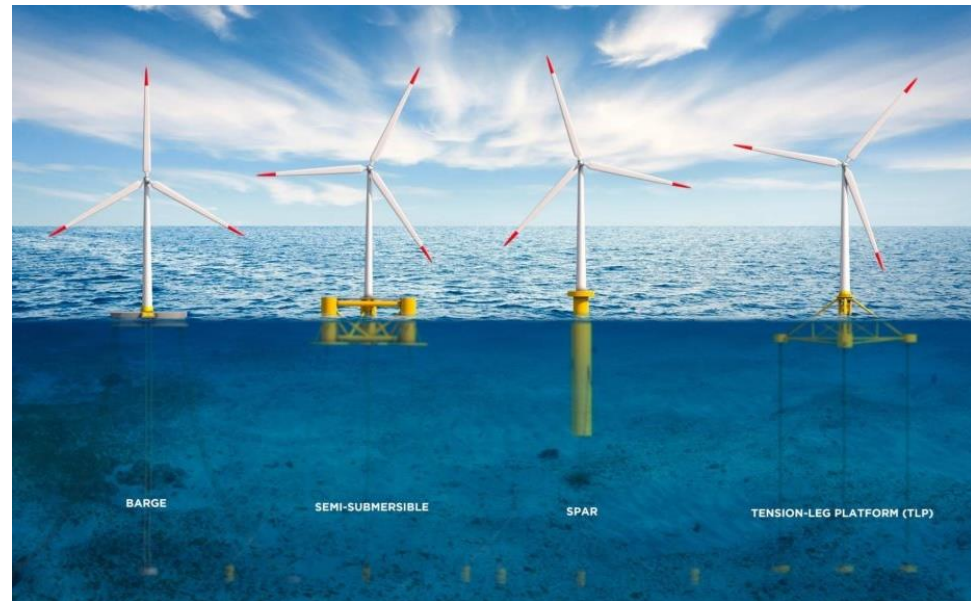
- Depth of waters
- Transmission Capacity
- Infrastructure (ports, shipyards)
- Licensing constraints
- Political - Geostrategic constraints
- Costs

Source: <https://globalwindatlas.info>

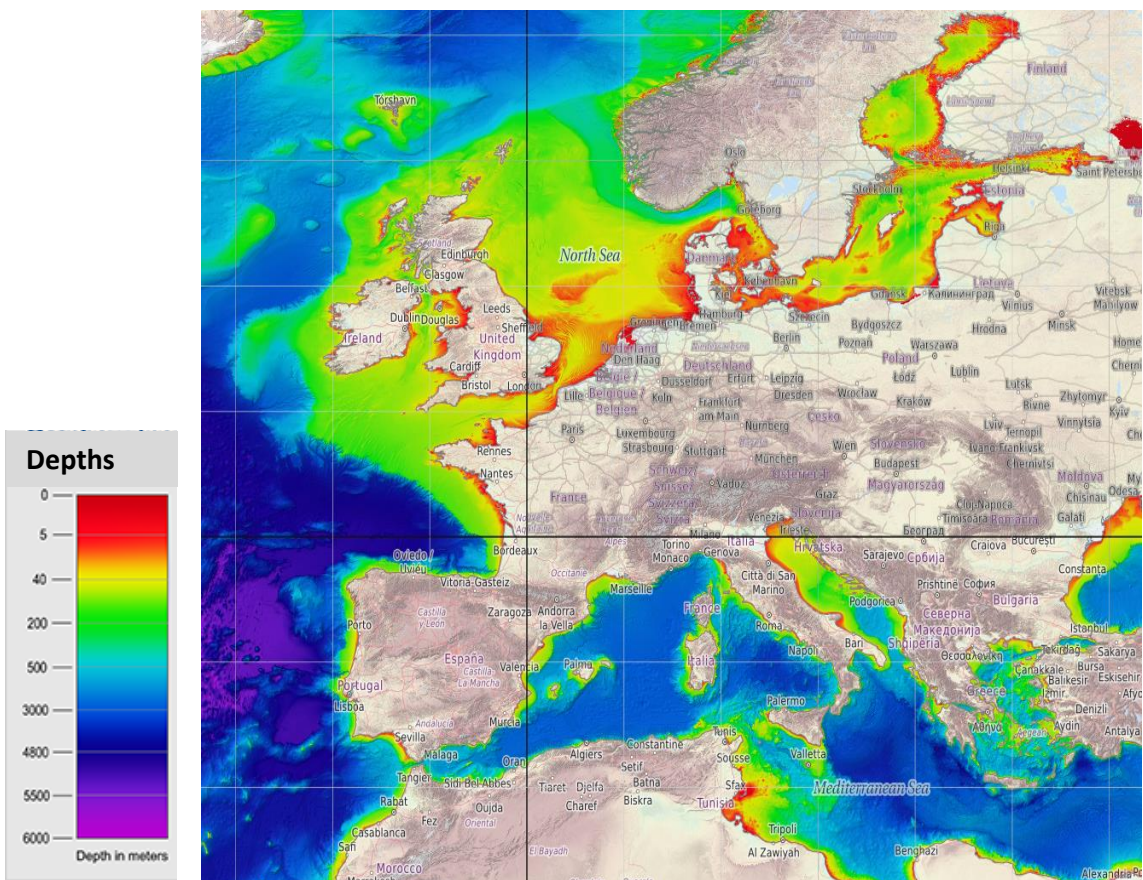
Offshore wind in Greece – Floating is a game changer



- **Rapid developments** in technology, costs, projects
- Exploitation of **domestic experience** & local industrial base (shipyards, cables etc.)
- Significant **domestic value** (WTGs less than 40% of CAPEX)
- **Opportunity** & need for Greece



Global challenge for floating wind - Huge potential

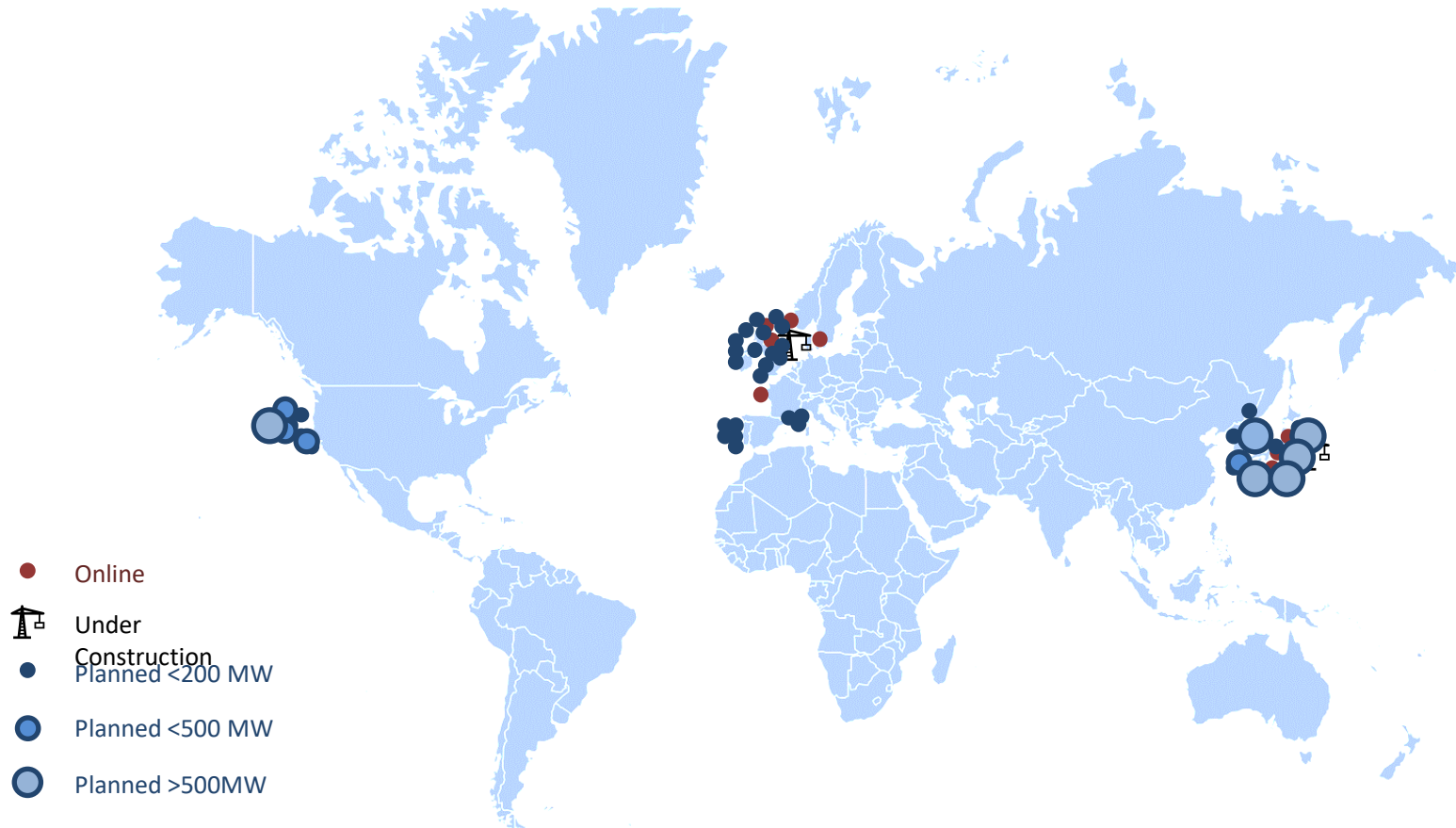


Source: EMODnet

| Country/ Region | Share of offshore wind resource in +60m depth | Potential for floating wind capacity |
|--------------------|---|--|
| Europe | 80% | 4.000 GW |
| USA | 60% | 2.450 GW |
| Japan | 80% | 500 GW |

Source: CarbonTrust

Overview of floating wind today

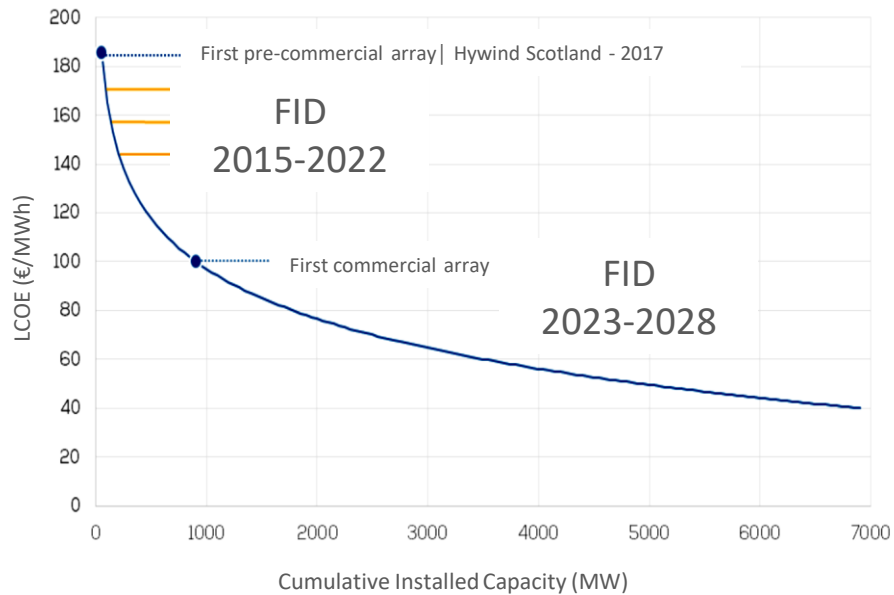


Source: Wind Europe

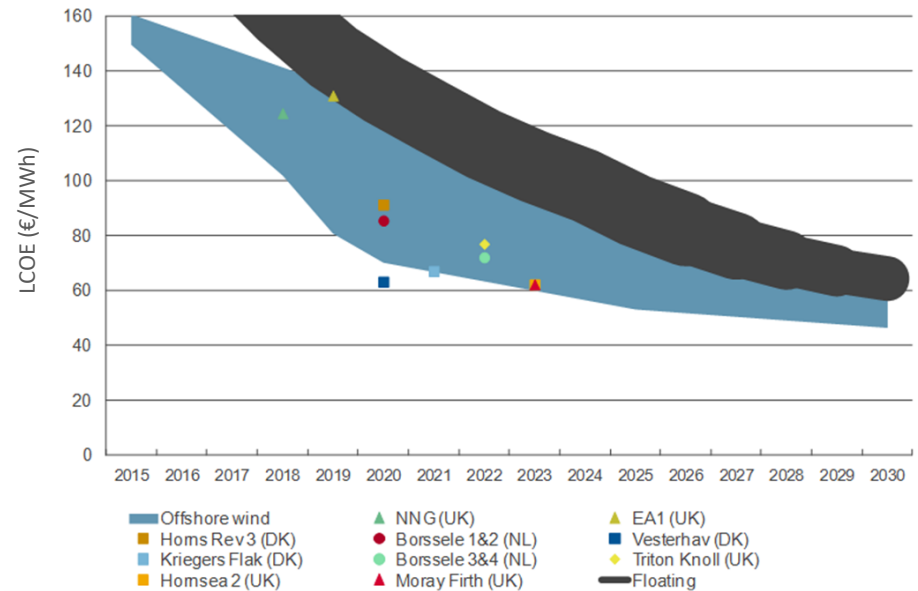
Floating wind LCOE



LCOE decrease depending on capacity



Floating wind reaching parity with bottom fixed



Source: Wind Europe and BVG Associates

Basic questions for the design of a regulatory framework for the development of wind offshore in Greece



1. **Allocation of sea areas:** How does an investor secure the (exclusive?) right to develop and implement the project in a marine area?
2. **Development & Licensing of a sea area:** Who is responsible during the various stages of the design, engineering and licensing of a wind offshore project? Which permits?
3. **Grid connection right:** How and at what stage is it secured?
4. **Grid connection works:** Who designs, licenses, builds, pays, owns and operates?
5. **Remuneration scheme:** How and when is compensation and/or the operational aid determined?



What remuneration scheme for offshore wind?



Special auctions for **offshore wind**?

Auctions for offshore in **grid hubs** where the TSO provides connection capacity?

Common auctions with onshore wind and/or other RES with special premium for offshore?

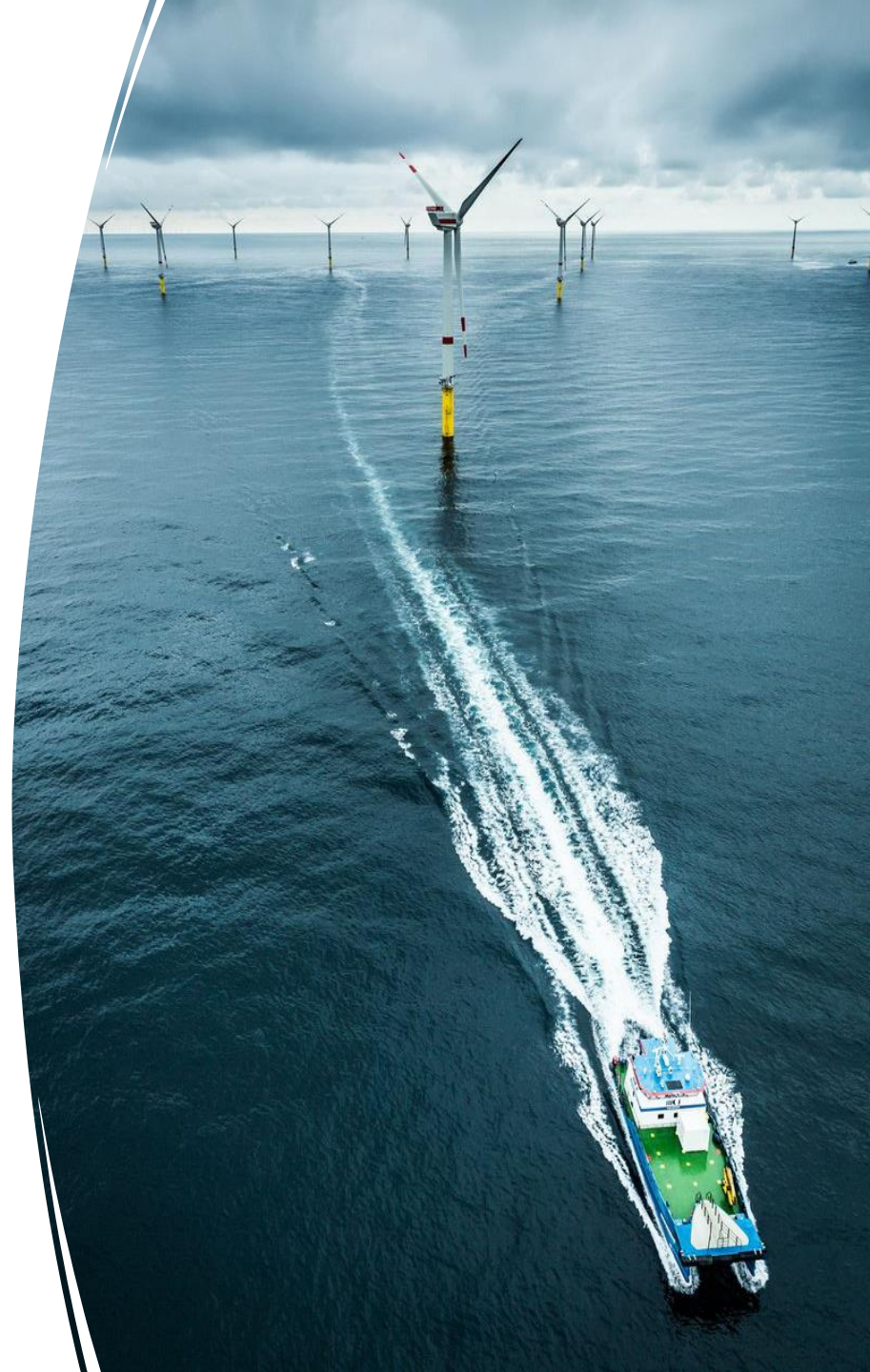
Administrative remuneration (e.g. Individual notification or other process)?

Unsolicited proposals could also be a tool?



Some recommendations for Greece to keep the momentum:

- Set long term ambition goals with clear volumes and schedule
- Screening for exclusion zones (marine traffic, firing ranges, sensitive areas etc.)
- Finalize the revision of the RES Spatial plan incl. the Greek seas & the Maritime planning
- Early engagement of HTSO for developing Transmission water infrastructure
- A Pilot Auction for large scale commercial project(s) could be a catalyst



Last but not least: The geostrategic parameter



Territorial waters of 6 nautical miles



- Offshore wind gives the opportunity to exploit the **unexploited territorial seas**
- **Electrical interconnection** in the Aegean
- Greece **producer & exporter** of Green Energy
- Contribution to the European Strategy for **Energy Independence**
- Attraction of large **foreign investors/** investments
- **Geopolitical** empowerment and **sustainable** development



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THANK YOU!