# Investor Confidence in Volatile Markets and Flexible Energy Systems

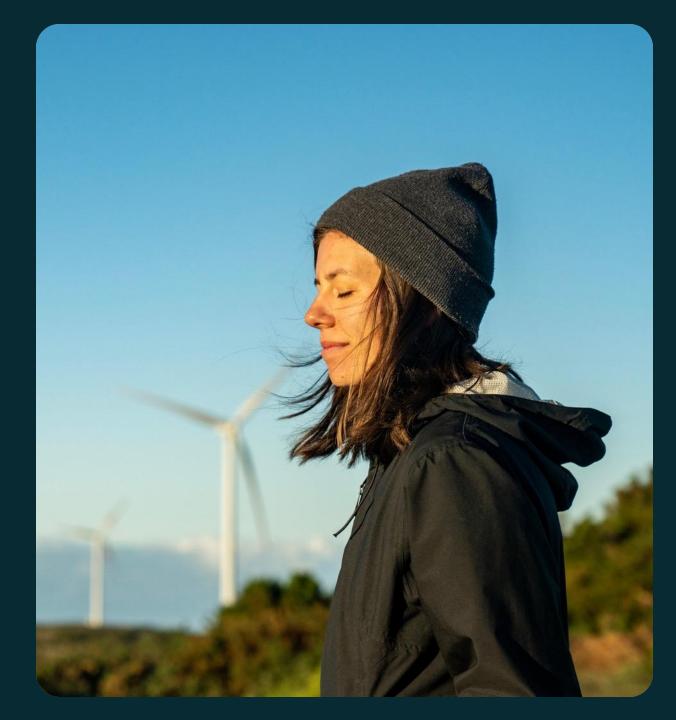
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# Trends in in Electricity Supply until 2050



# Long-term price forecasting

## Why Long-term (price) forecasts

Long-term forecasts are intended to cover at least the next 20 years, preferably more. They are primarily used for investment calculations, but also for long-term planning for utilities or industry.





#### Assumptions

Policy Background

Power Consumption

**Fuel Price Expectations** 



CO2 Price Expectations





Renewables

Neighbouring Countries





Long-term price forecast products

- Power balance development
- Power price forecast (Normal and 30 weather years)
- Data sets

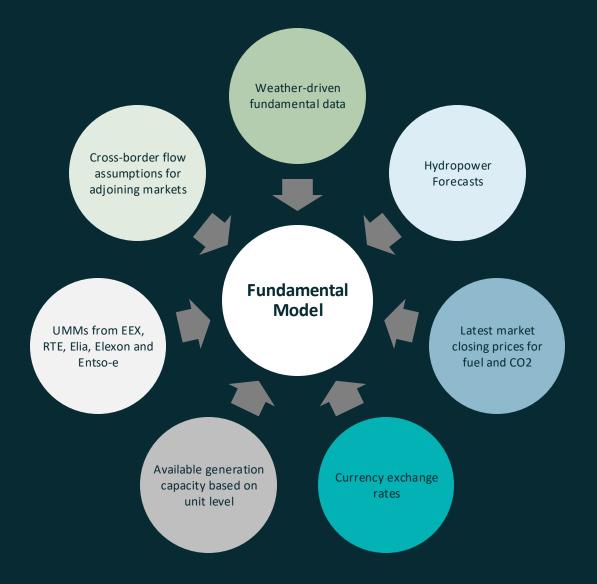
#### Including underlying

- fundamental assumptions
- political assumptions
- Fuel price expectations
- CO2 price expectations
- Nordic Countries
- Germany
- France
- Netherlands and Belgium
- Austria and Switzerland
- Iberia
- UK



#### In-house Fundamental Model

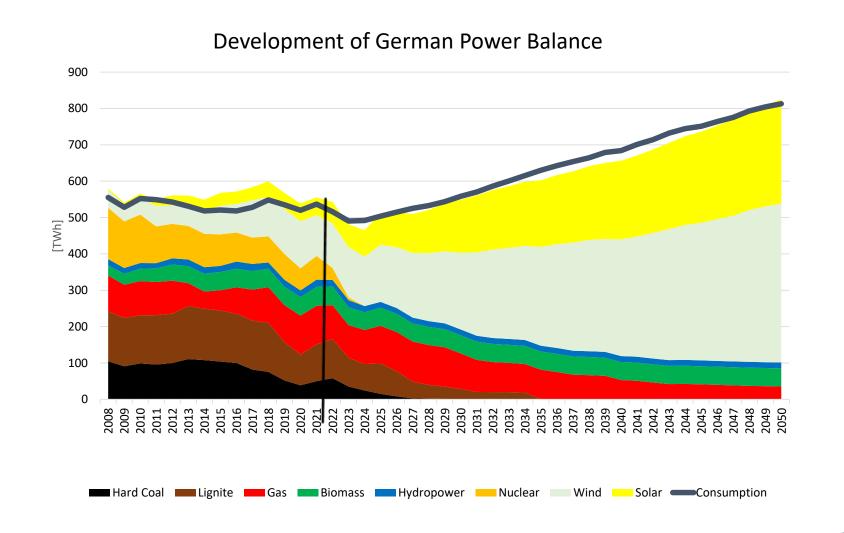
- Our in-house fundamental model is a least-cost dispatch and unit commitment model for forecasting power generation, prices, and trade flows for up to 5 years forward and up to 2050 for long-term price forecasts
- It is much more scalable and maintainable than our previous solution and is specifically designed to expand on renewable integration, batteries, and demand-side management.
- We run simulations not only with normal weather but with 30 historic weather scenarios



# Trend: Change of Power Systems and Price Volatility



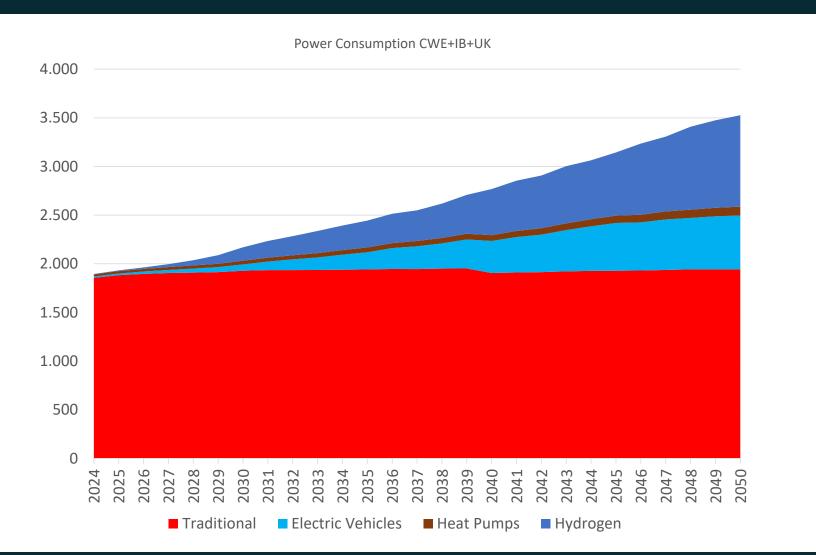
#### Change to a renewable driven power system



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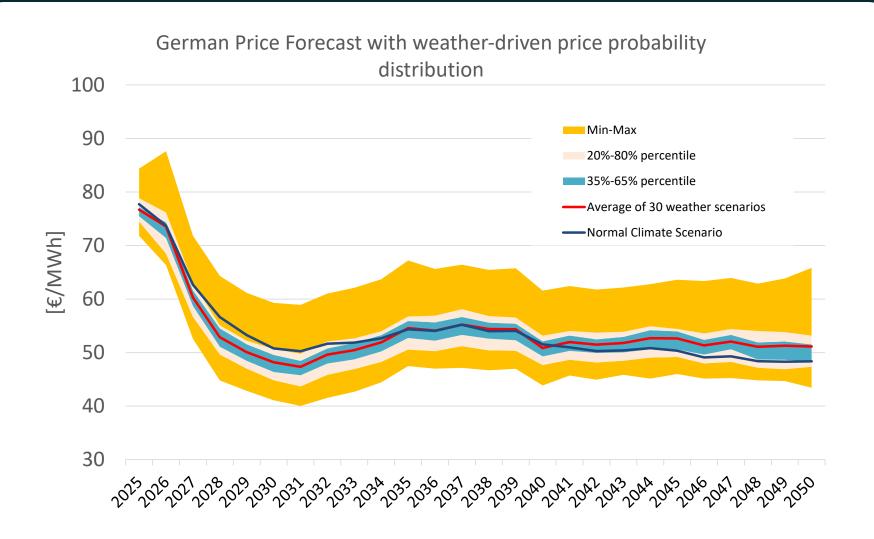
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#### Structure of power consumption

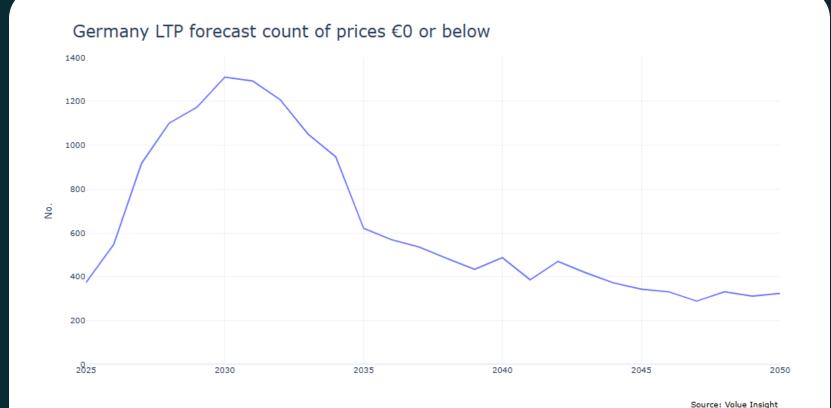




#### Weather-driven price distribution



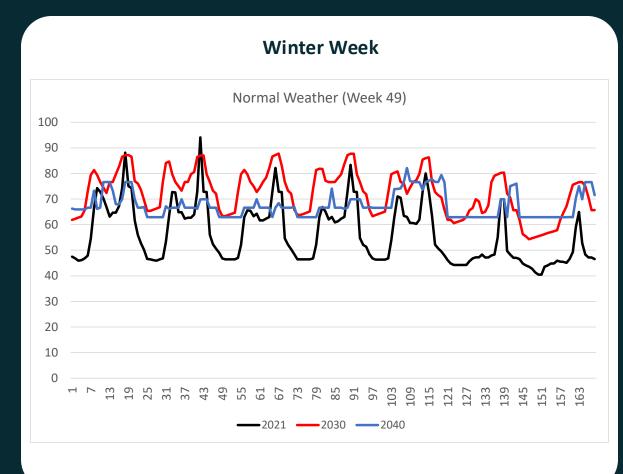
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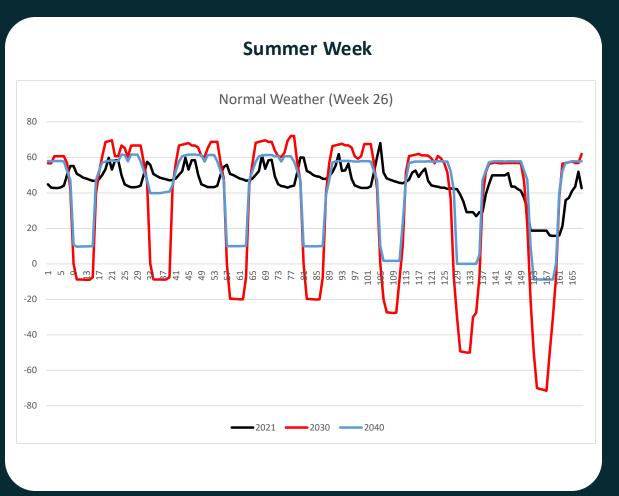


- Negative prices on a rising trend in the mid-term as renewable capacity grows faster than demand
- More electrolyser capacity reduces frequency of negative prices post-2030
- Significantly increased battery capacity assumptions decreased number of negative prices



#### Changes in Price Profiles





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#### **Product: Capture Price Calculation**

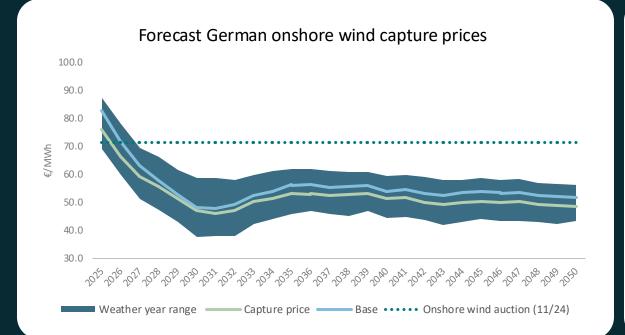
#### Investments need Profitability

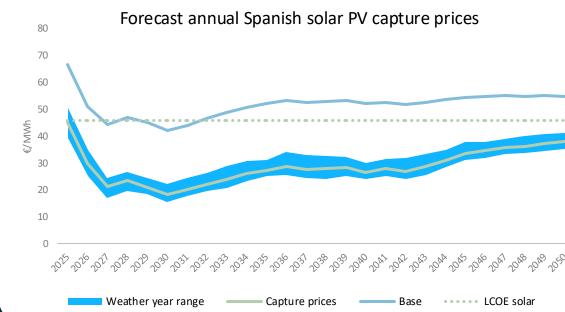
- Strong expansion in renewables could lead to cannibalisation effects
- Stronger demand and storages could counteract this cannibalisation

As results of our simulations, we calculate the future capture prices of renewables



## Capture prices in Germany and Spain



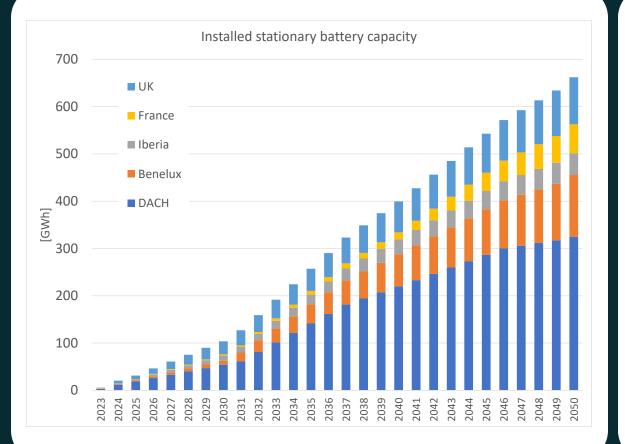


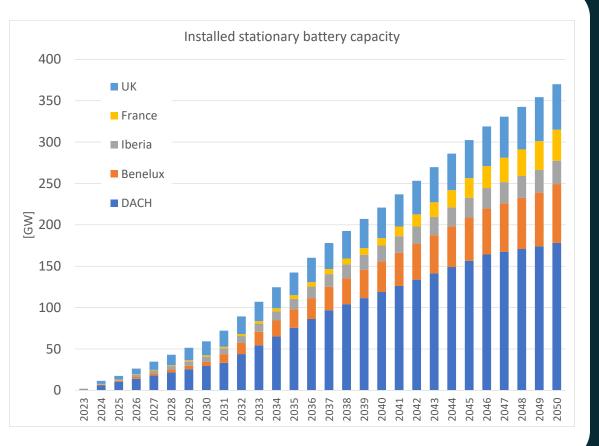
- Capture prices falling to their lowest point in the early 2030s
- Discount of capture prices compared to baseload price, also below the latest strike price in renewable auction (November 2024)
- Increasing interest in onshore wind sector, oversubscribed tenders

- Low capture prices highlight difficult investment environment for solar producers in Spain → less attractive
- Need innovative financing solutions such as flexible PPAs to counter price cannibalization effect
- Solar PV accounts for 27% of total generation by 2030 and 42% by 2050



## Battery Capacity (Energy+Power)



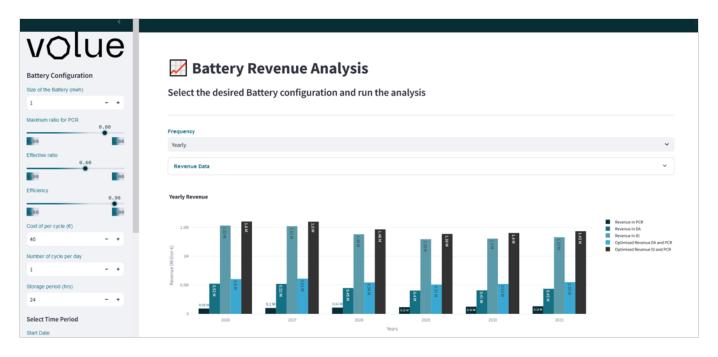


#### Investment calculation for batteries

#### Three main income sources for batteries:

- Optimisation on day-ahead market more and more batteries lead to cannibalisation effects
- Offering flexibility as primary control reserve – saturated flexibility demand let prices decrease already
- Permanent optimisation on intraday markets – this needs for investment calculation a forecast of future price distributions

#### **Product in preparation:**





# Trend: Hydrogen

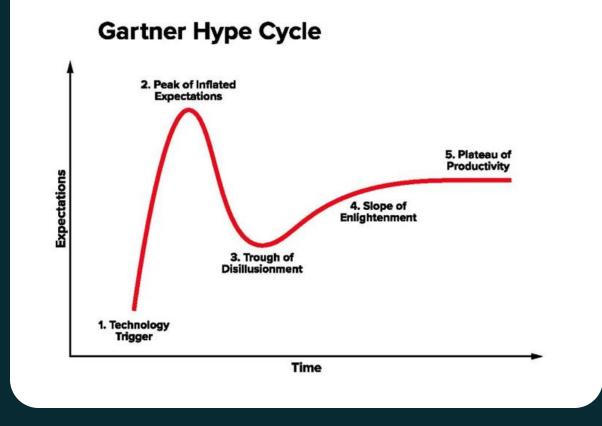
# Hydrogen market analysis (under development)

#### EU Delegated act for hydrogen:

- Which countries could fullfil the 90%-criteria when?
- Which countries fullfil the carbon intensity criteria when?
- In how many hours per year are below 20 €/t or below 0,36
   €/MWh (using different weather years) ?

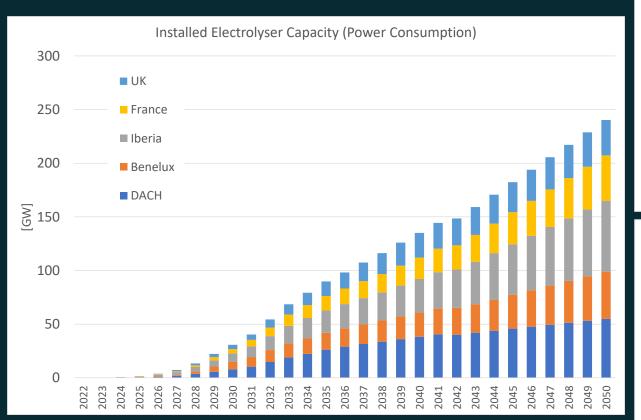
#### What do we further investigate:

- Future green hydrogen production
- Future green hydrogen demand
- Other hydrogen colors to fill the gap
- Marginal costs and LCOH -Distributed for market prices and from subsidised renewables





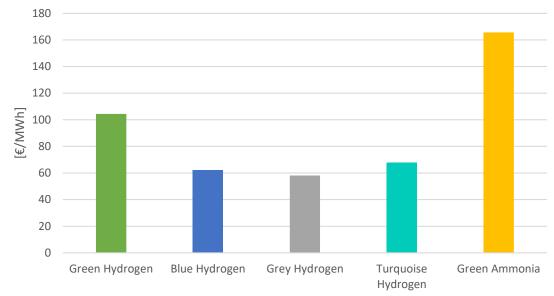
## Hydrogen Supply



Supply of German Hydrogen Demand [TWh]



LRMC German Hydrogen Production in 2040 [€/MWh]



## Key Takeaways for Investors

- Renewables increase price volatility (now and the next years) The variability of wind and solar generation leads to stronger price fluctuations
- Batteries, electrolyzers, and flexible demand act as dampers (after 2030)
   These technologies mitigate volatility by balancing supply and demand, absorbing excess power or shifting consumption.
- Flexibility will become increasingly valuable but quantifying remains a challenge (needs in-depth analysis)
   Accurate valuation methods are essential.
- Cannibalisation effects raise profitability hurdles (clever makes money)
   As more renewables enter the market, their marginal cost advantages erode price levels calling
   for deeper market analysis and trading strategies.
- Complex synergies offer untapped value (clever makes money) Integrated systems (e.g., virtual power plants, co-located or PPA-linked assets, consumer coupling) can unlock efficiency and profit potentials.



# Thank you for your attention

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