

# **Local Energy Markets: Designs and Interfaces**

CEEM CONFERENCE on LOCAL FLEXIBILITY PLATFORMS: Which Design and Governance to Support an Efficient Interface with National and European Markets? Carlo Schmitt, RWTH Aachen University & Fraunhofer FIT Université Paris-Dauphine, May 29th 2019







- Local Energy Market Designs
- Interfaces to DSOs and TSOs
- Interfaces to Central Electricity Markets

## Introduction **Current Trends in Energy Systems**

- Current trends in energy systems:
  - Electrification and sector coupling (heat and mobility sectors)
  - Increasing share of renewables
  - New information and communication infrastructure
  - Growing number of small-scale producers and  $\geq$ prosumers with no direct access to central markets
- Increasing congestion management:
  - Grid congestions on distribution and transmission grid level
  - Rising Redispatch and feed-in management costs
- New market- and grid-oriented coordination and integration concepts for distributed flexibilities and renewables needed

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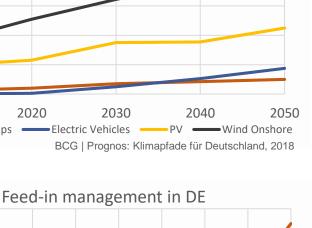
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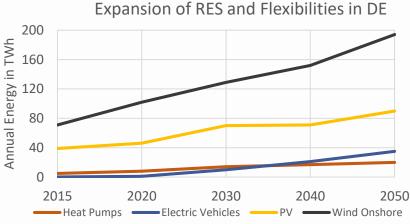
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### Introduction Local Market Concepts





#### Focu Local Flexibility Markets (FXM) Local Energy Markets (LEM) lalk Market-based congestion management on Market platform for energy trading among distribution / transmission grid level local producers, consumers and prosumers Market Platform with distribution system Incentive meachanism for PV and flexibility operators (DSO) / transmission system expansion operators (TSO) as buying entities Increase of local self-consumption and Flexibility as deviation from market-based reduction of transmission grid usage schedule

Different use cases for local markets

→ Different interfaces to grid operators and central market platforms

## Local Energy Market Designs Results from the project pebbles

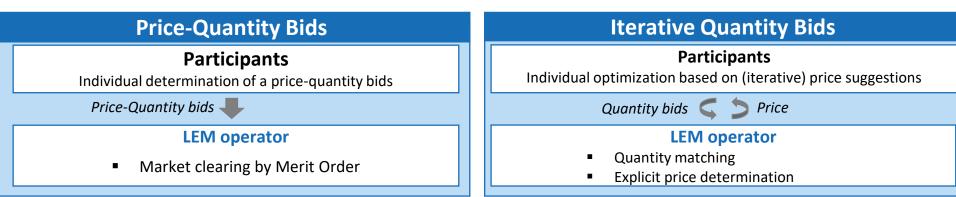


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LEM

**Distribution Grid** 

- Market design premises
  - (Day-)Ahead market
    - Increased liquidity and optimal flexibility allocation
    - Increased uncertainty
    - Extension by Intraday trading
  - Uniform pricing
  - Market area defined by distribution grid area
    - Tariff/ Tax reductions for locally traded energy
- Market mechanism options



Central Market

**TSO** 

Price determination problem for participants

Price coordination problem for LEM operator

# **LEM Interfaces**

#### Interfaces to Grid Operators and Central Markets





Interface to TSO

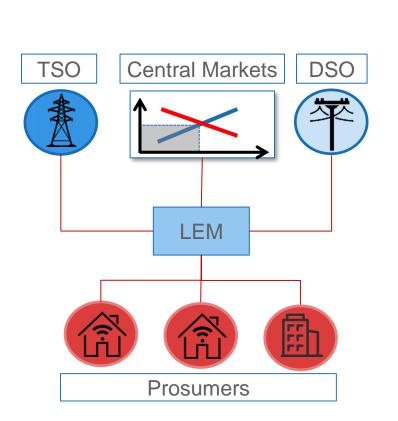
- Explicit interface between LEM and TSO widely disregarded
- Potential for time-based transmission grid fee reductions for local energy imports
- Variation of transmission grid fees by TSO to influence LEM participation and outcomes ("Nodal Pricing" by TSO)

## Interface to DSO

 Temporary restrictions for trading on LEM to prevent asset overloads



- Zonal pricing within LEM
- DSO grid tariff depending on voltage level usage
- Potential for reduced distribution grid expansion



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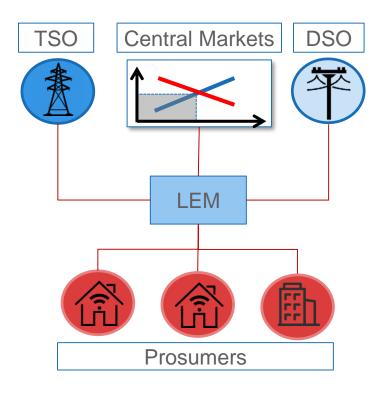




Interface to central markets



- Interface depending on LEM objective:
  - "Direct" interface for increasing liquidity on local market as opposed to restriction of LEM participation to local assets
- Interface options:
- 1. Neutral Market Coupling:
  - Platform operator is offering energy to LEM at central spot prices and aggregating local market residue
  - Market-making as a service
- 2. Open trading platform for central market players
  - Prevention of gaming through competition
  - Approximation of neutral market coupling
  - Unbundling between platform operation and trading
- Market closing times as further interface issue:
  - Price risk (LEM closing before central market closing)
  - Quantity risk (Central market closing before LEM closing )







# Thank you for your attention

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