

Wind power – Green Revolution in Energy

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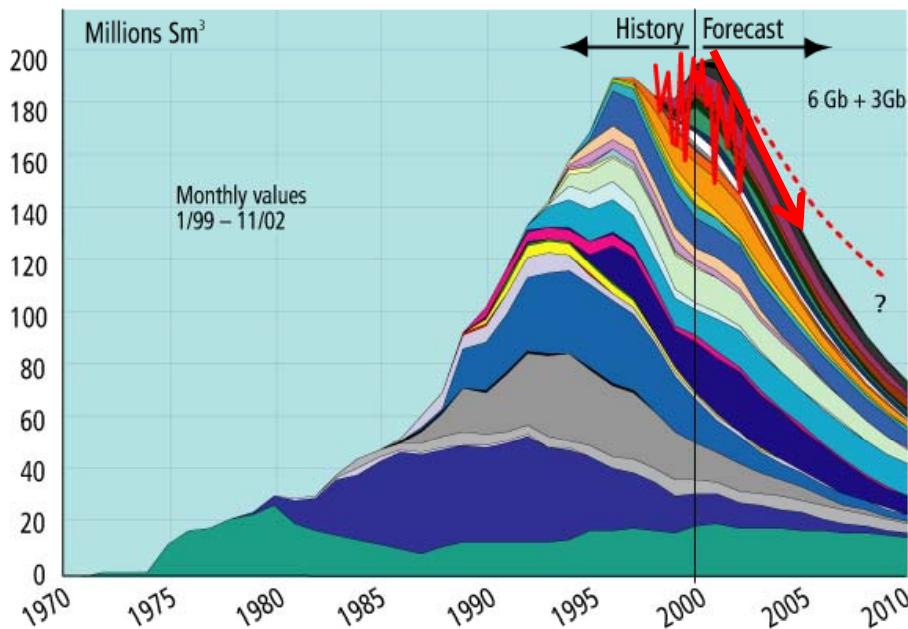
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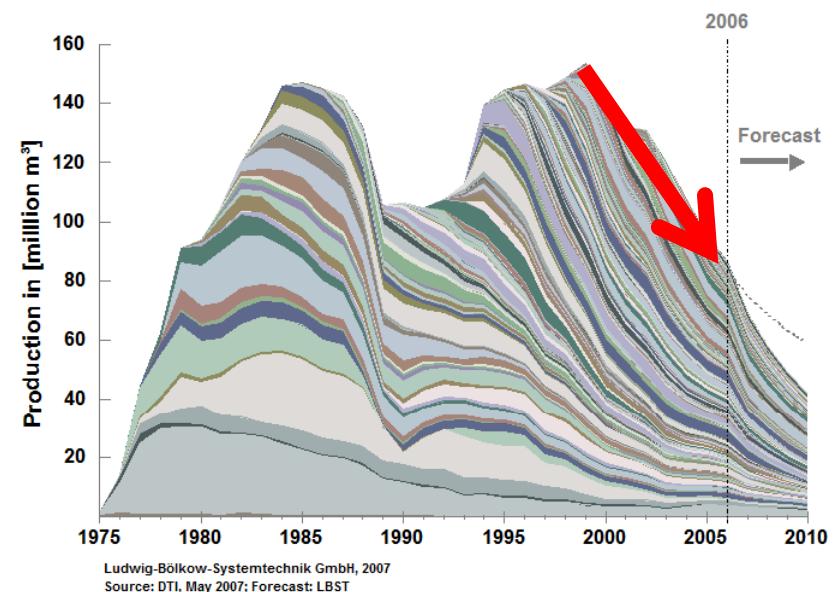


Crude oil at a peak

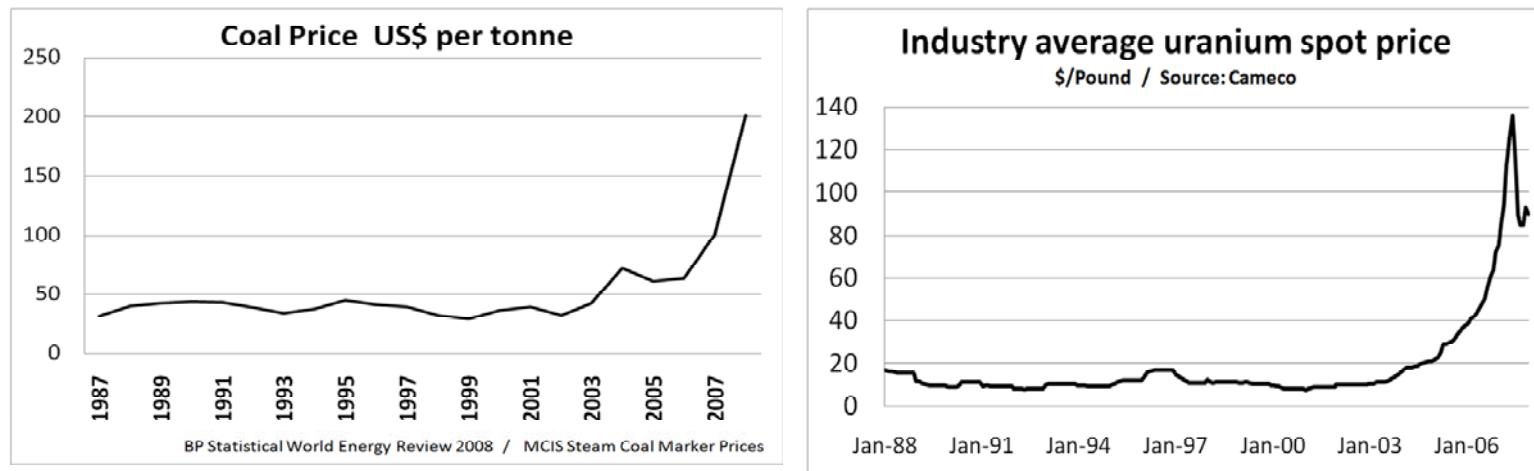
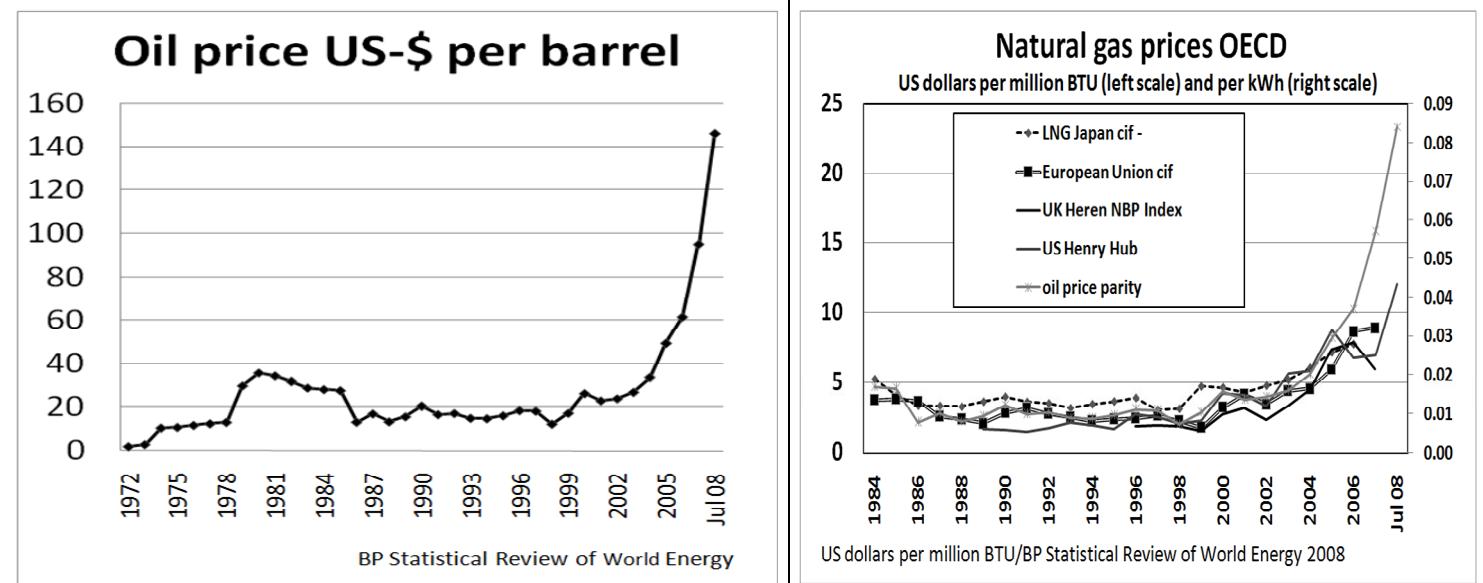
Norway Oil production profile
minus 25 % since 2001 peak



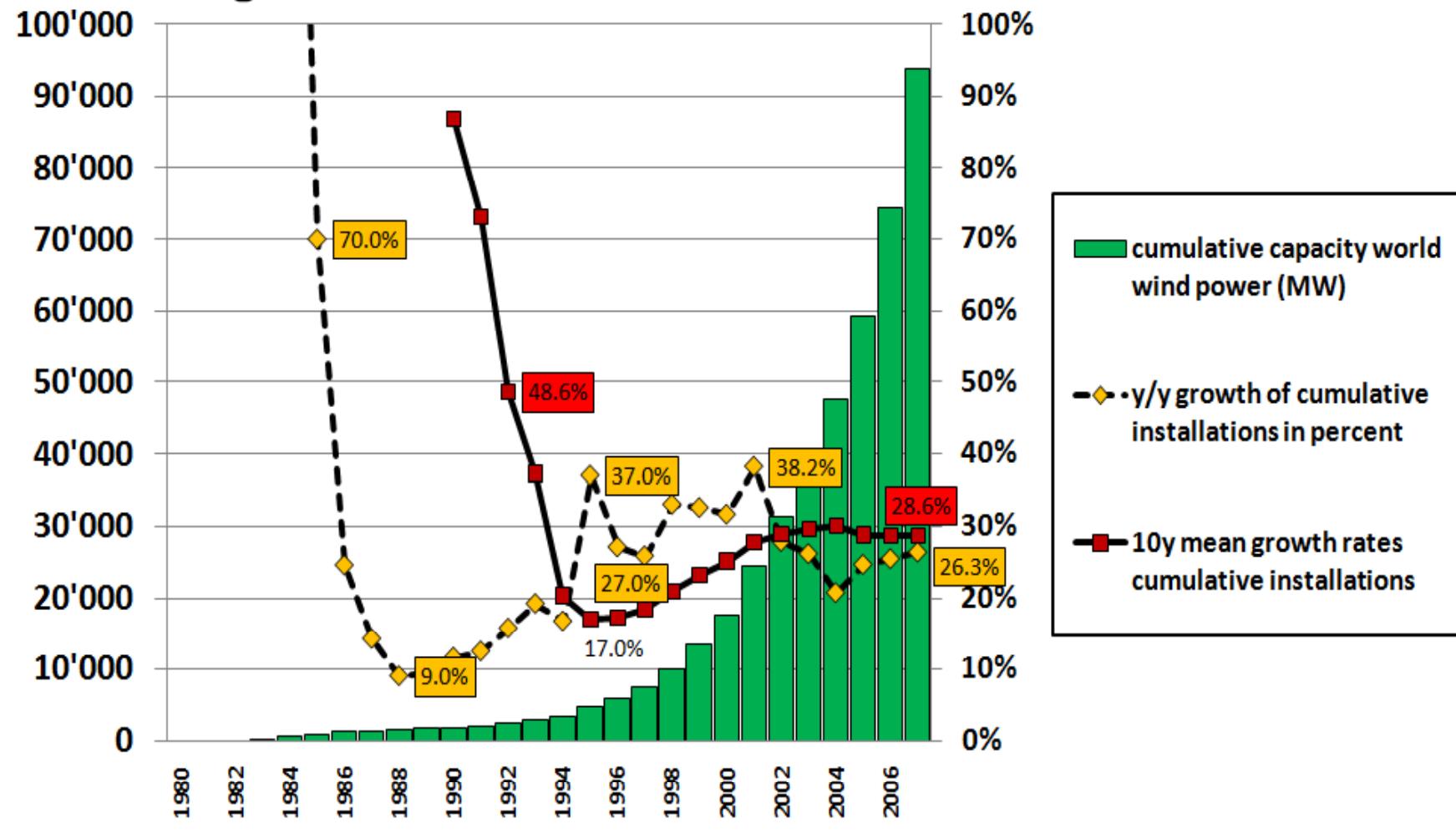
Britain: Oil production profile
minus 44% since 1999 peak



Oil, gas, coal, uranium prices + x-100%



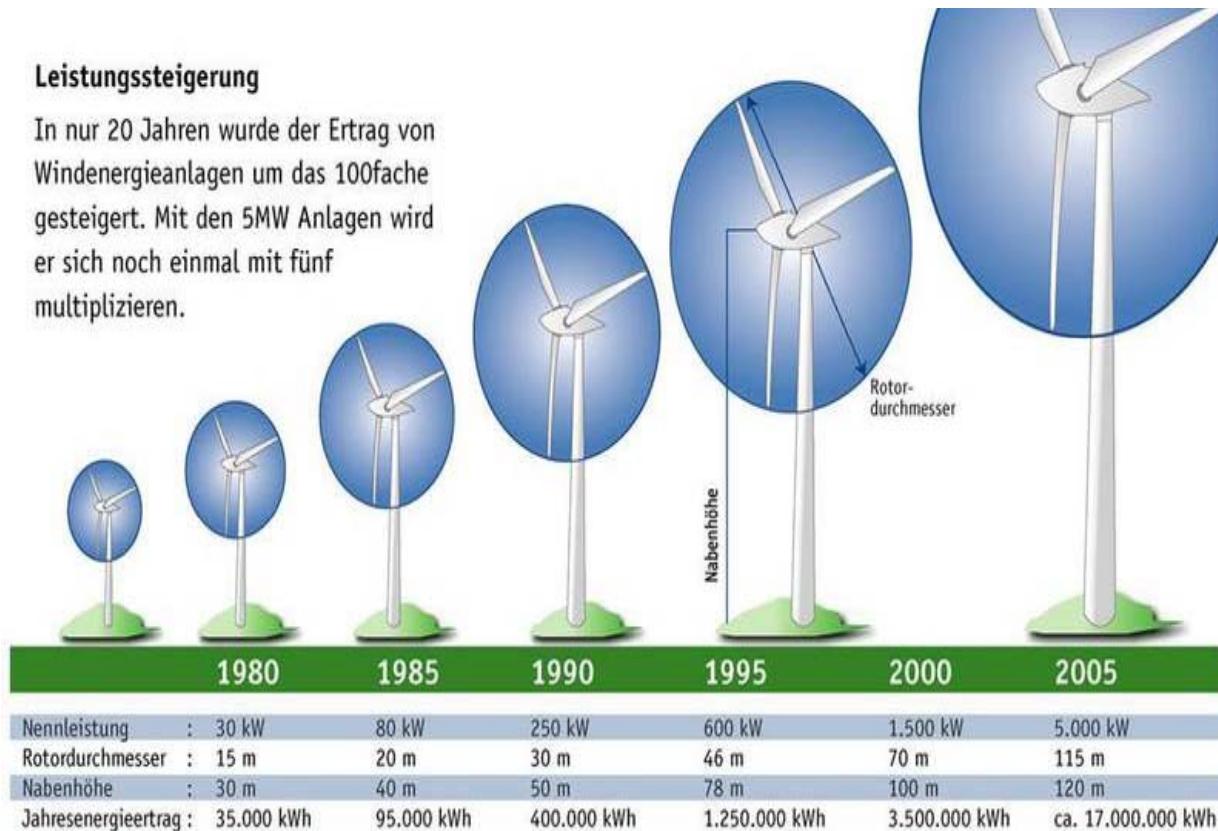
World cumulative capacity and growth rates 1980-2007



Wind technology: bigger rotors = cheaper power
 onshore 1500-3500 full-load hour per year
 offshore: 3000-4500 full-load hour per year

Leistungssteigerung

In nur 20 Jahren wurde der Ertrag von Windenergieanlagen um das 100fache gesteigert. Mit den 5MW Anlagen wird er sich noch einmal mit fünf multiplizieren.



Annual additions doubling every 2½ years!

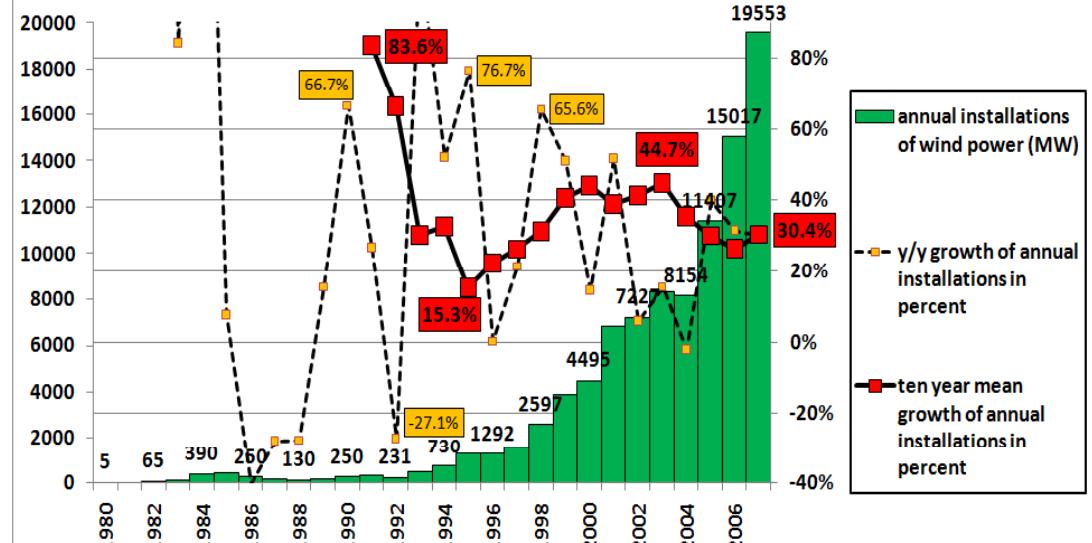
year	annual additions MW	years of doubling	2^n	n = (Number of doublings)
1990	250	Start	250	
1994	730	4	500	1
1995	1290	1	1000	2
1998	2597	3	2000	3
2000	4495	2	4000	4
2003	8344	3	8000	5
2007	19553	4	16000	6
		2.5years	average doubling period	

Annual additions of wind power

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World annual installations (MW) and growth rates 1980-2007

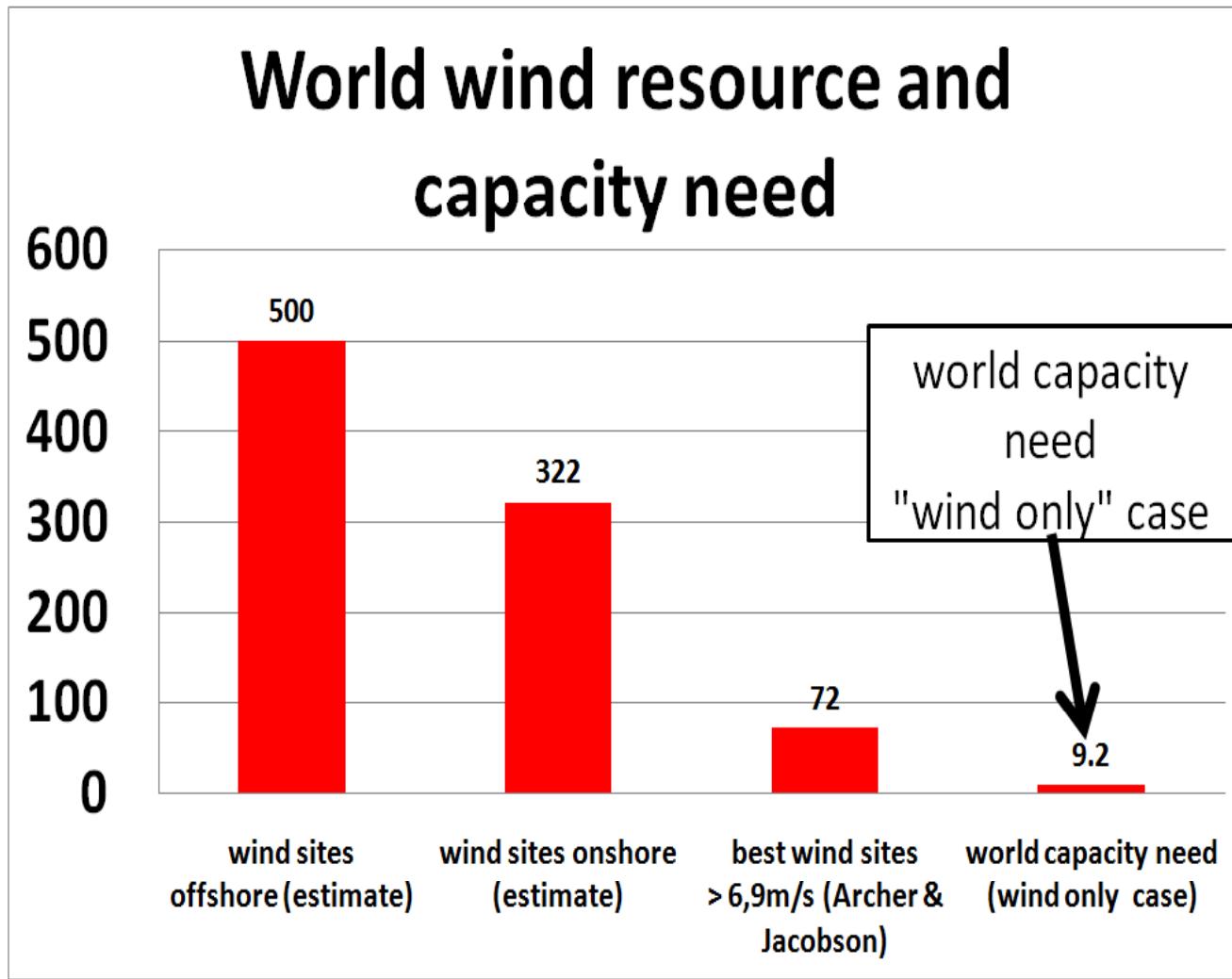


One dozen reasons of wind power's success

- 1. The primary energy (wind) is cost-free
- 2. The primary energy is renewable and never runs out
- 3. **There is an abundant resource and stable life-cycle-costs of its use can be guaranteed**
- 4. Wind power is competitive with other new power sources
- 5. There are no carbon emissions, no air pollution and no hazardous waste
- 6. No water for cooling is needed
- 7. short energy payback of energy invested, less than one year
- 8. global, easy access to wind technology, compared to nuclear
- 9. Short time to market, erection of wind farms within one year
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- 11. Fast innovation cycles, based on maturing know-how.
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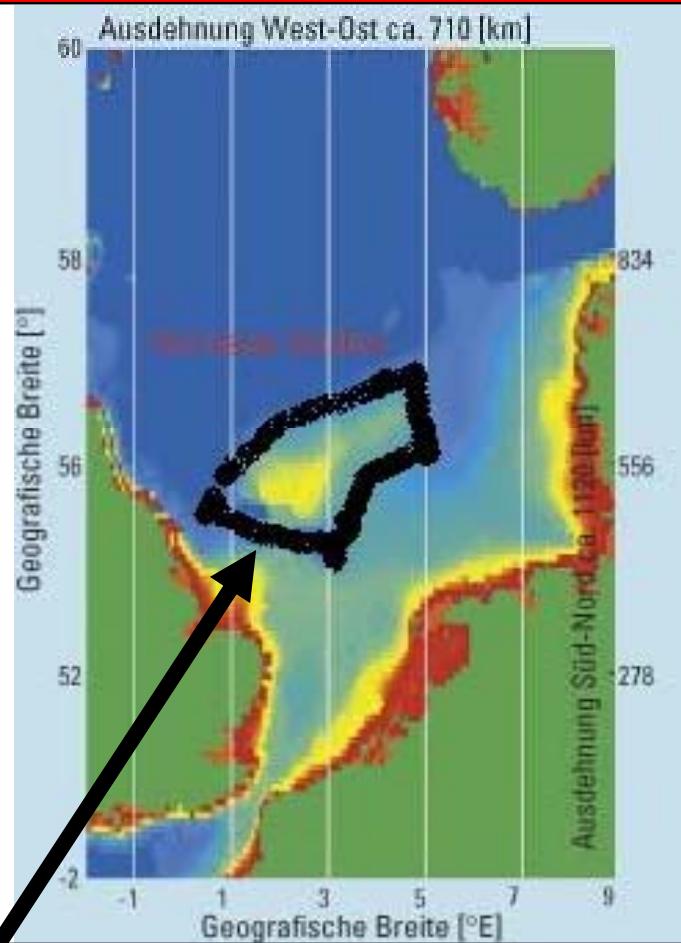
Wind resource: could cover ~ 100 times global electricity demand

Source: Cristina Archer, Mark Jacobson/Stanford 2005

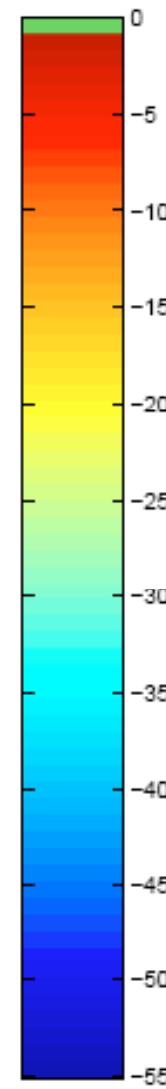


Southern North sea:

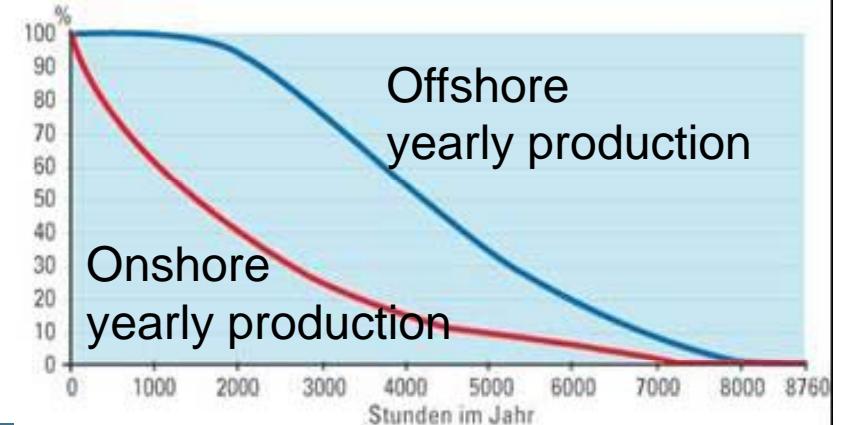
$250'000 \text{ km}^2 < 45\text{m} = \sim 13 \text{ Mbd} = 7500 \text{ TWh}$



Polygon area can cover EU-electricity consumption
Two turbines / 10 MW per km²



Offshore-projects in Europe





▲ Operational offshore wind farms

• Offshore wind projects to be built in 2008-2009

Floating turbines – a new world of renewable power

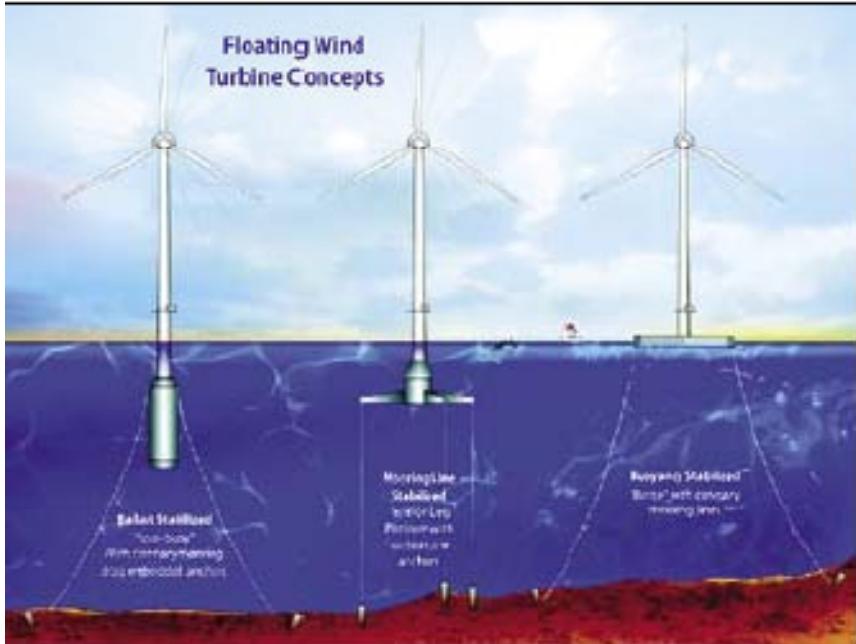


FIGURE COURTESY / NATIONAL RENEWABLE ENERGY LABORATORY

**“Deep-sea oil rigs inspire
MIT designs for giant wind
turbines”**



**Norsk hydro: first prototype
announced for 2007**

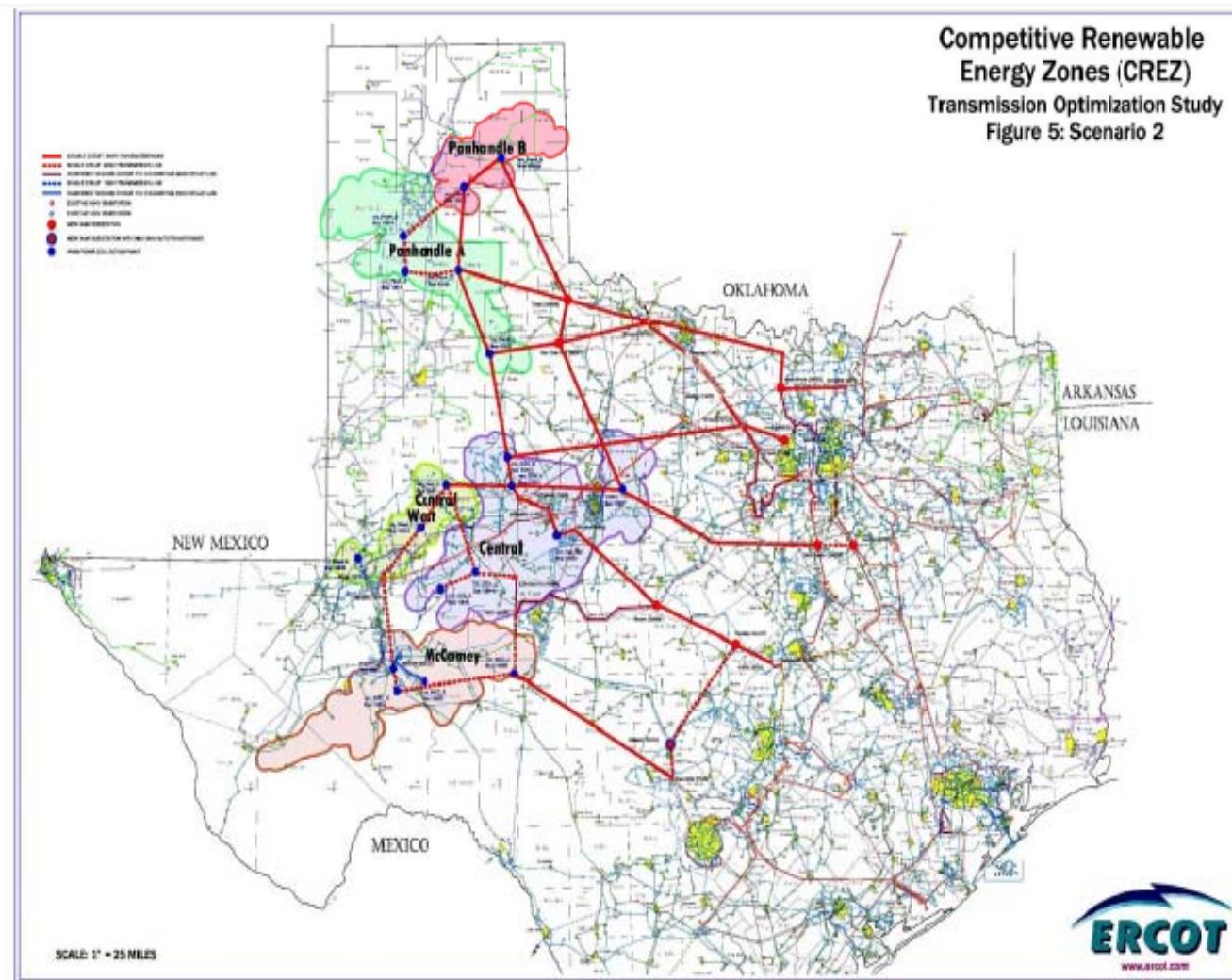
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Texas: 5 billion \$ interconnection

45 billion \$ private investments in turbines

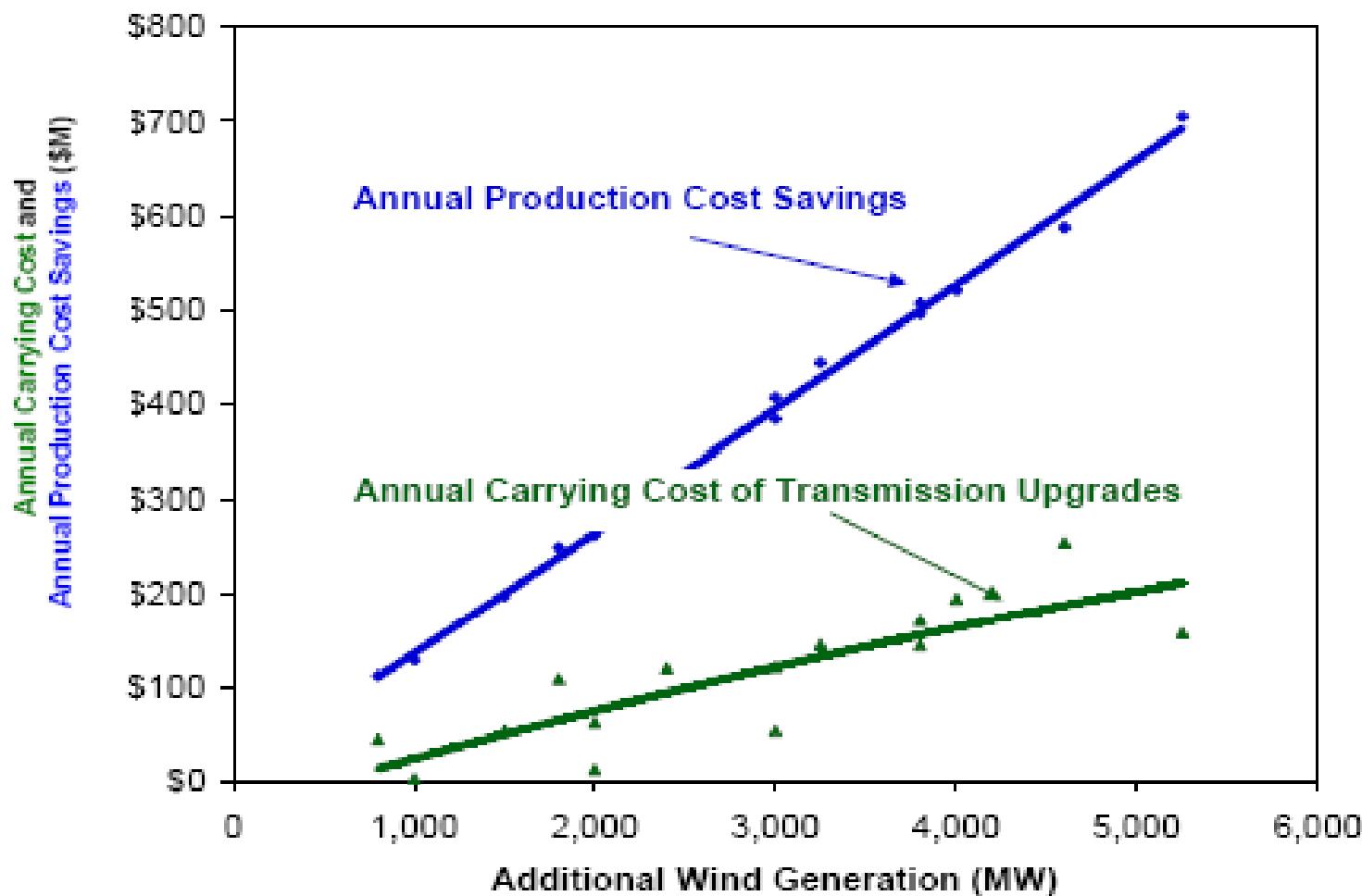
Texas PUC decision July 2008



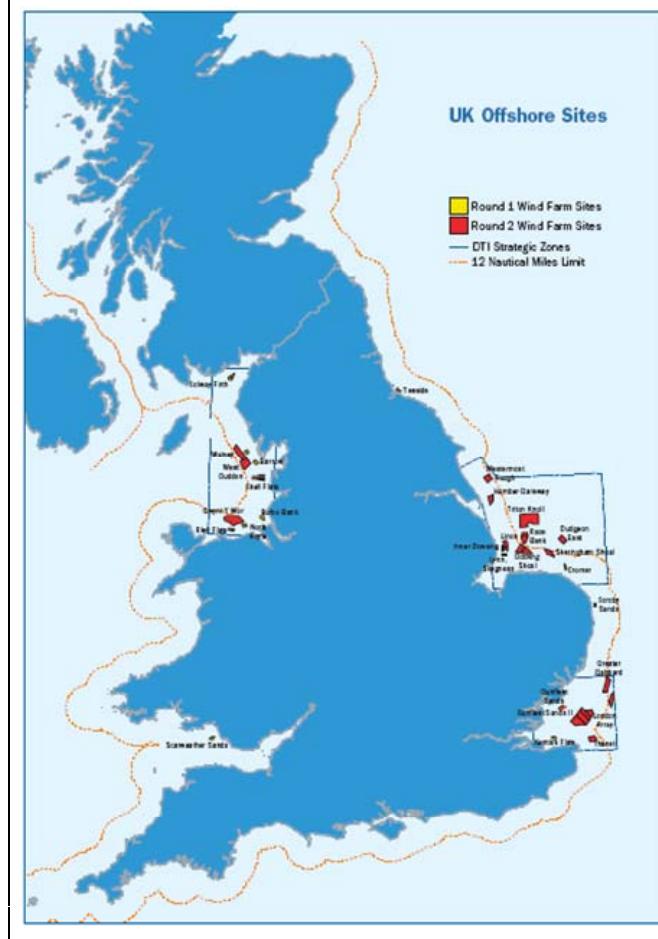
T. Boone Pickens
Texas oil billionaire
Investing 10 billion \$
in Texas wind energy

Texas: net savings of 3.8 Cents per kWh

source: Texas PUC public utility commission

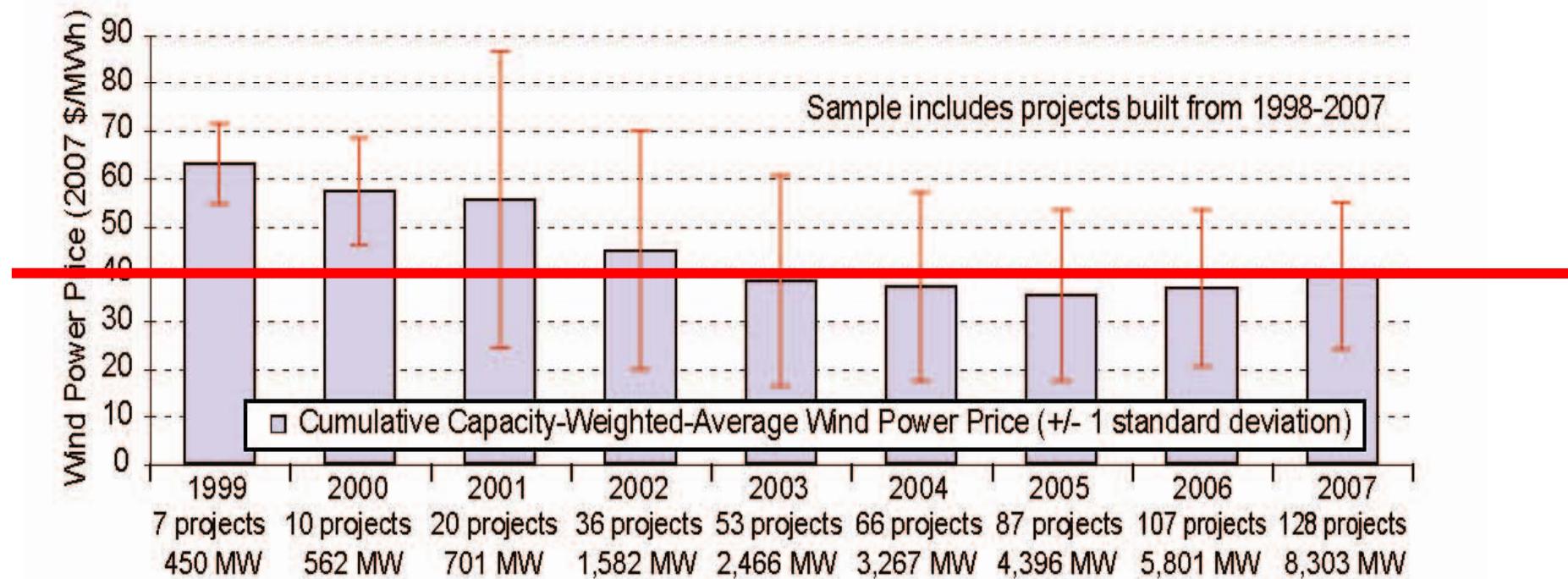


British round 1, 2 wind zones (left) and Round 3 (right)



Price: 4 US-Cents /kWh wind today cheaper than oil

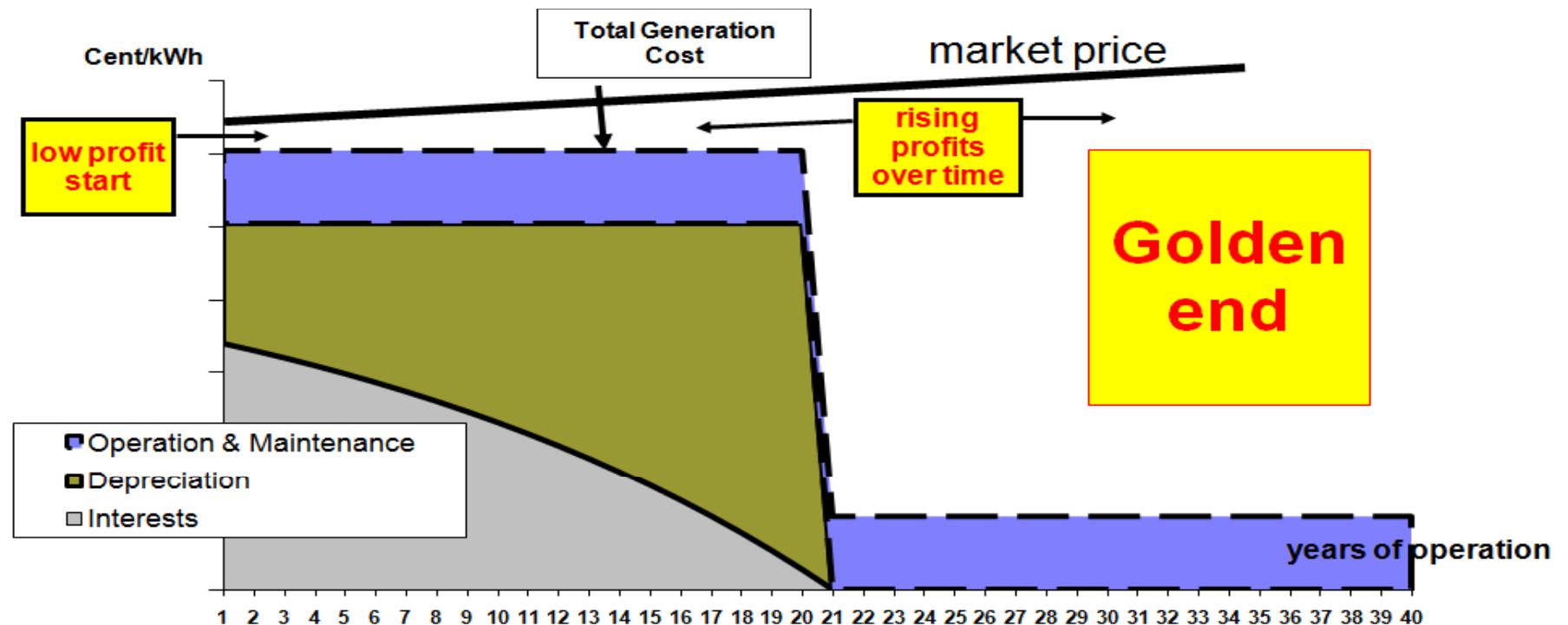
source: US DOE



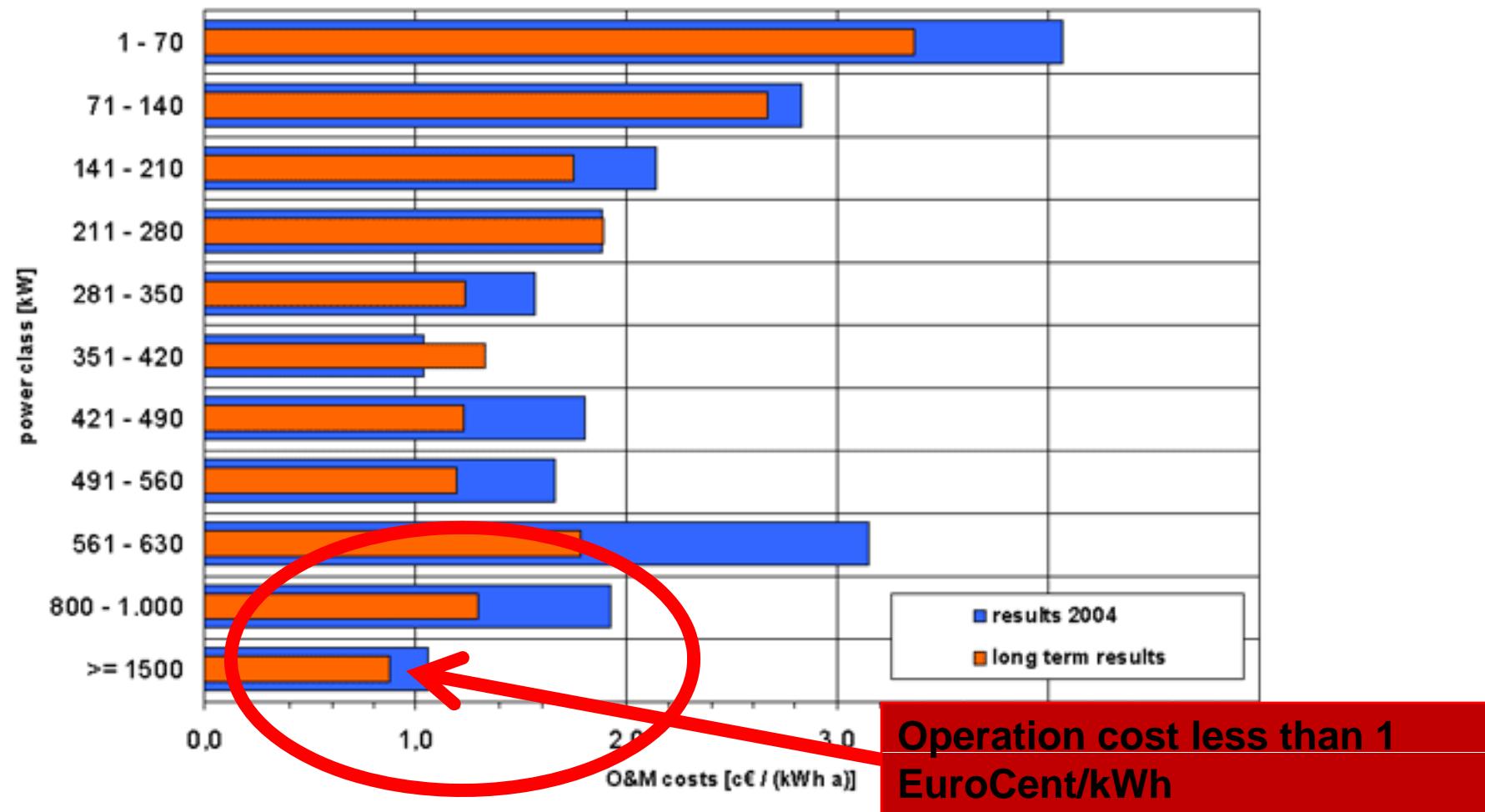
Source: Berkeley Lab database.

Figure 13. Cumulative Capacity-Weighted-Average Wind Power Prices Over Time

Cost- and pay-back-structure of renewables over time
High initial capital cost, low O&M-costs, no fuel cost
bring golden end over life cycle

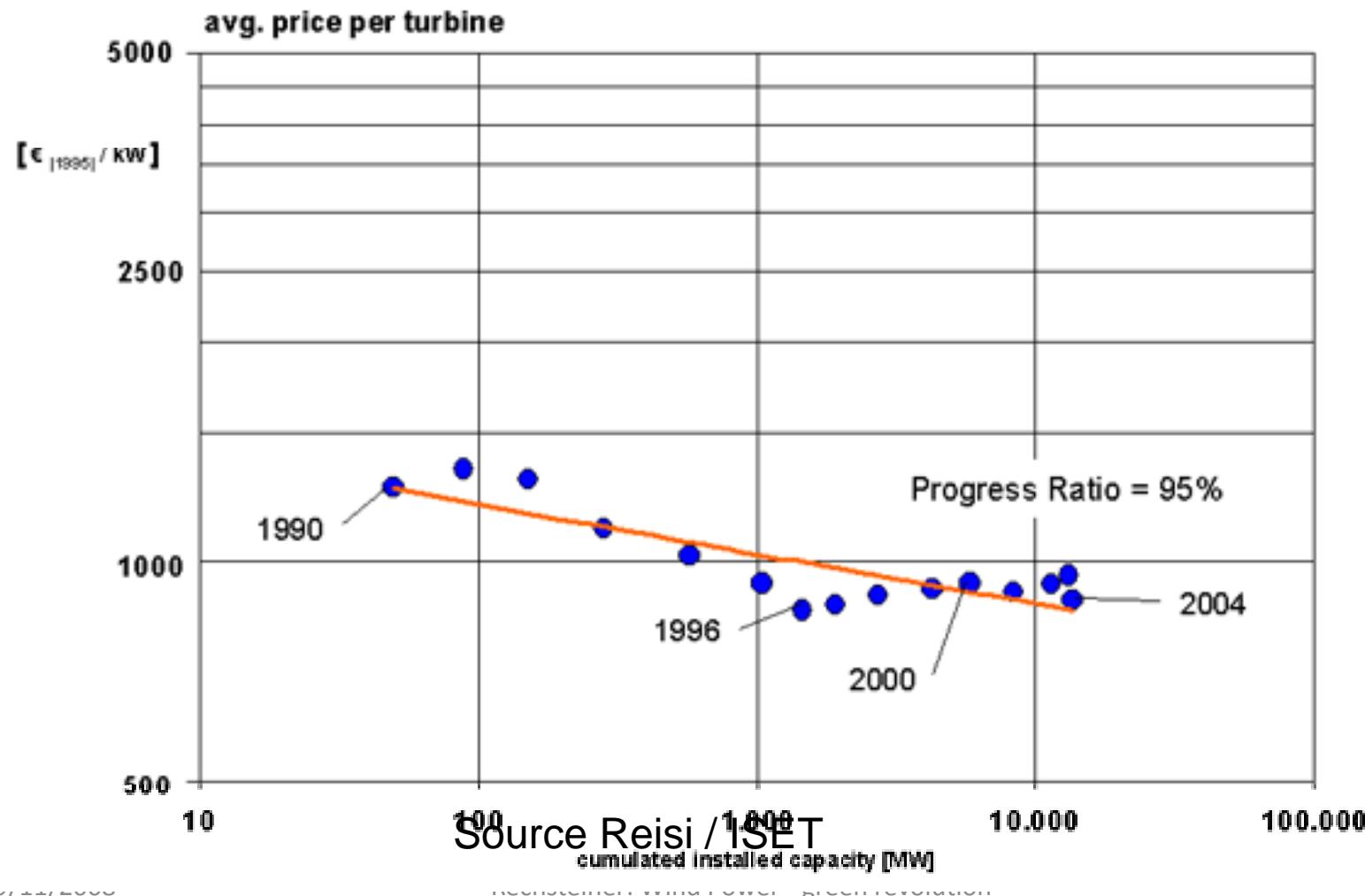


Wind power at 1 Cent/kwh when turbine is paid



Wind turbines get ever cheaper

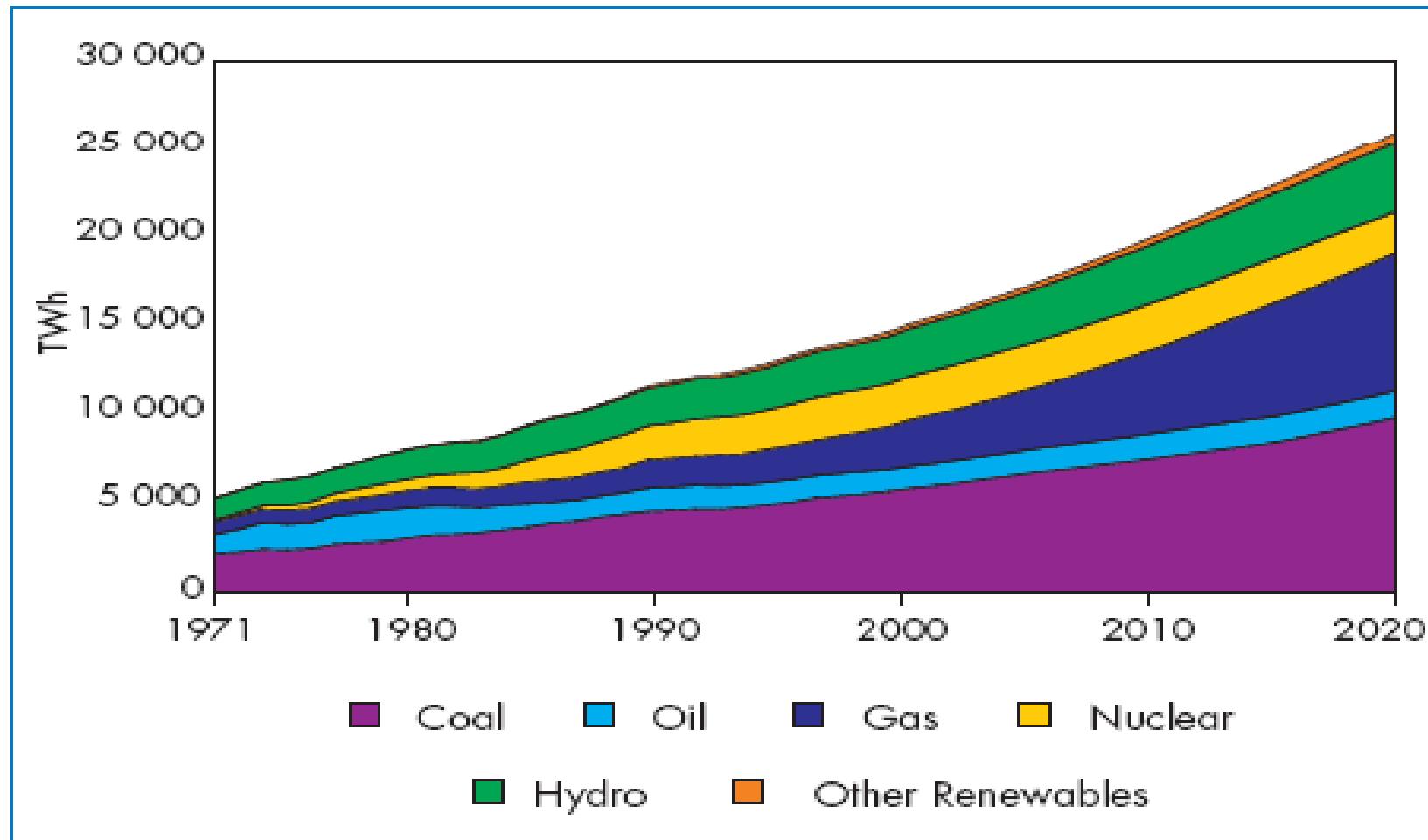
from 1 Euro/Watt today to 0.5 Euro/Watt by 2020



WHY DID I NEVER HEAR ABOUT THAT?

IEA World Energy Outlook (WEO 2000)

Figure 3.9: World Electricity Generation, 1971-2020



The IEA Projections

"Crude oil prices are assumed to remain flat until 2010 at around \$21 per barrel (in year 2000 dollars) – their average level for the past 15 years. They will then rise steadily to \$29 in 2030. Natural gas prices will move more or less in line with oil Prices..."

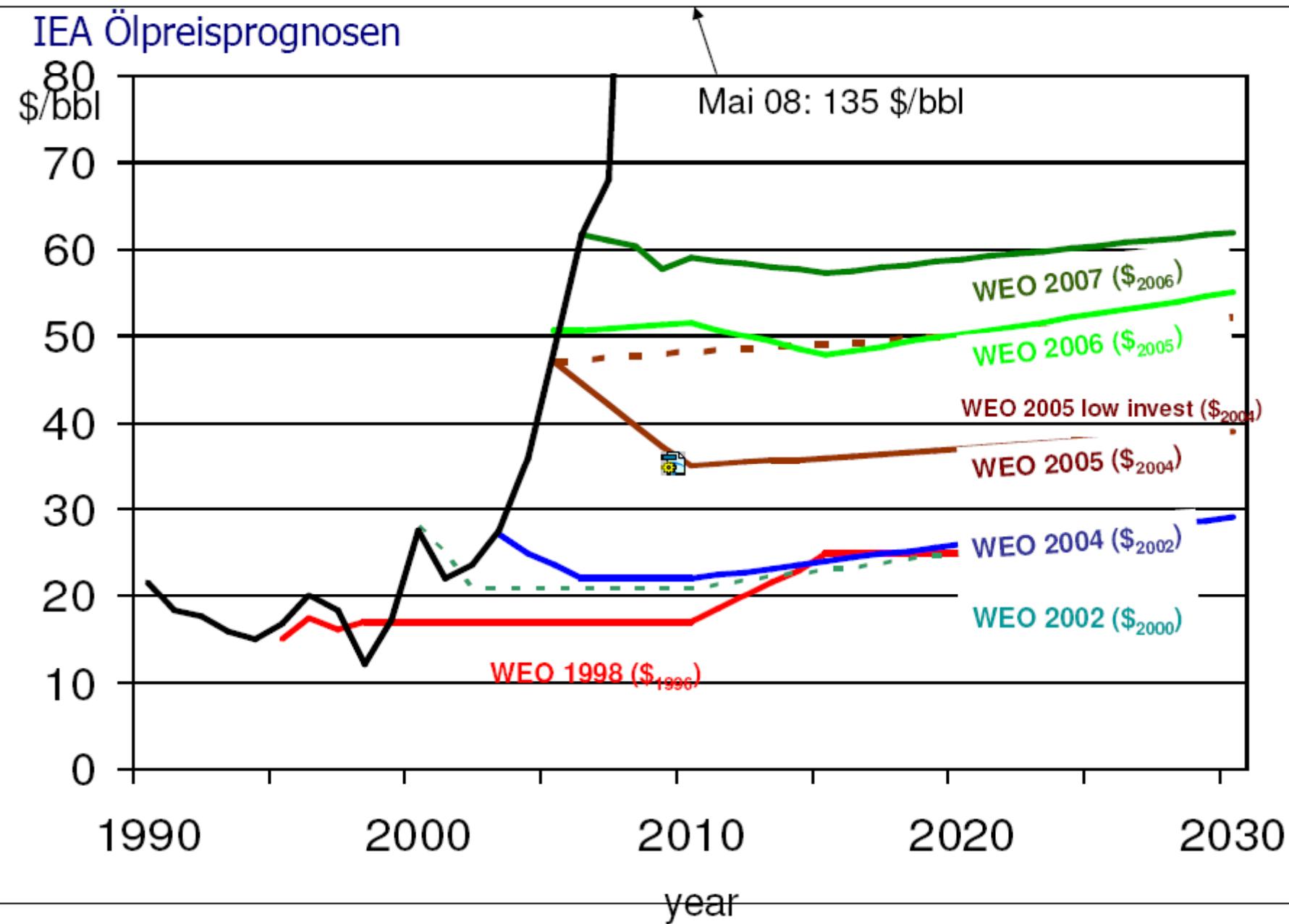
*International Energy Agency:
World Energy Outlook 2002, S. 37*

IEA method of supply prediction: ***predict demand!***

„The oil supply projections of this Outlook are derived from aggregated projections of oil demand....

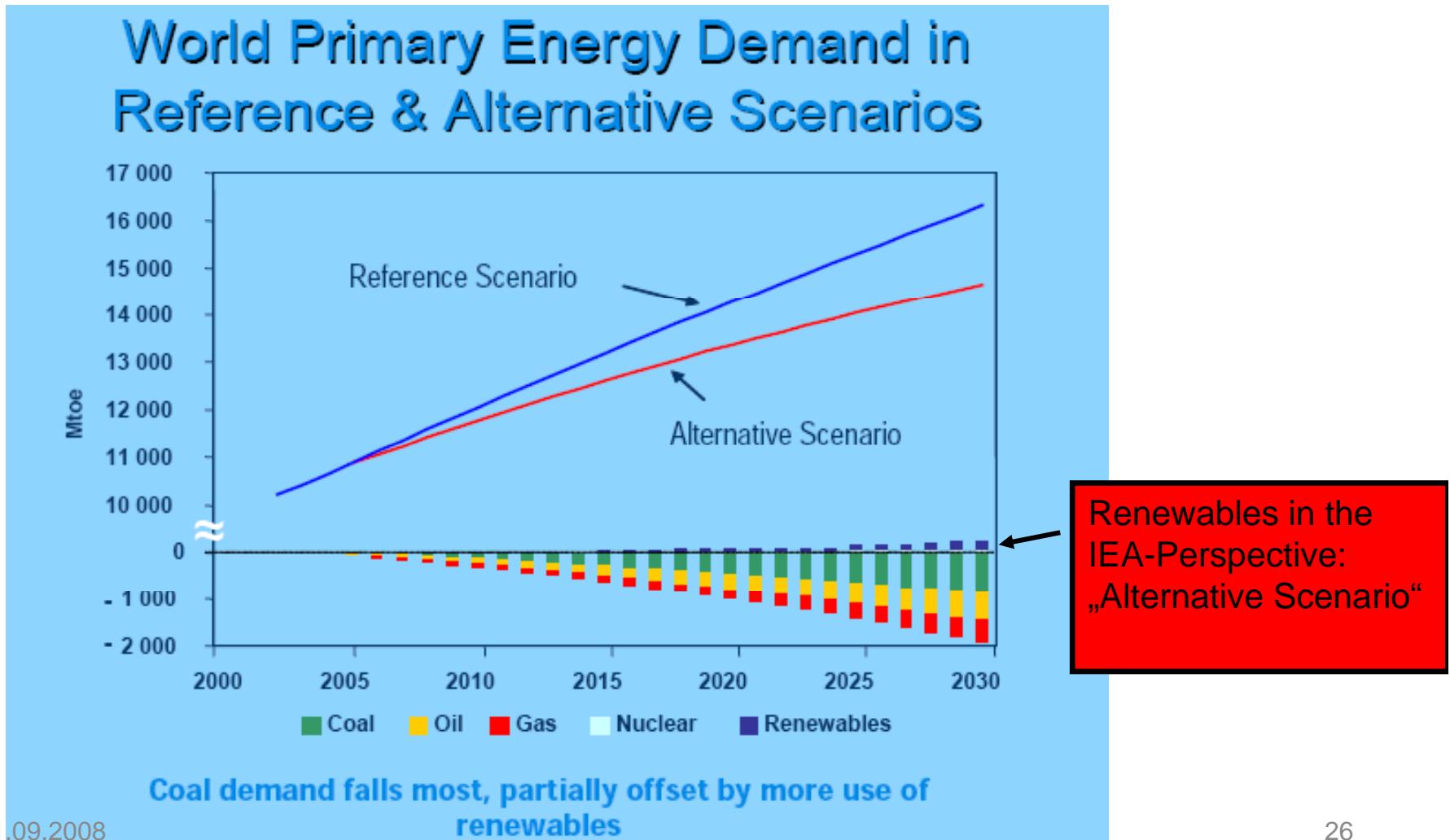
Opec conventional oil production is assumed to fill the gap.“

World Energy Outlook 2002 p. 95

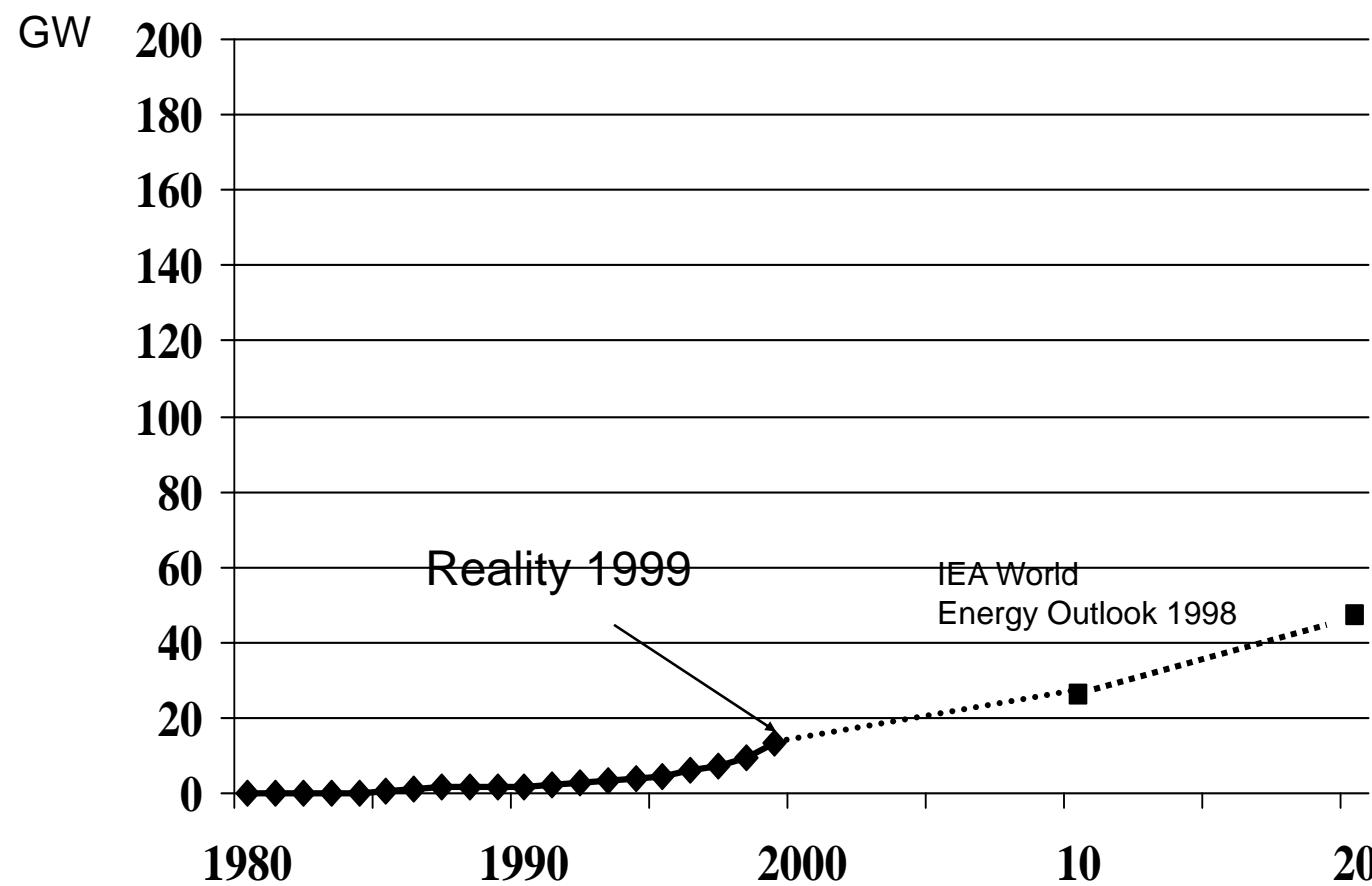


Alternative Szenario is just business as usual

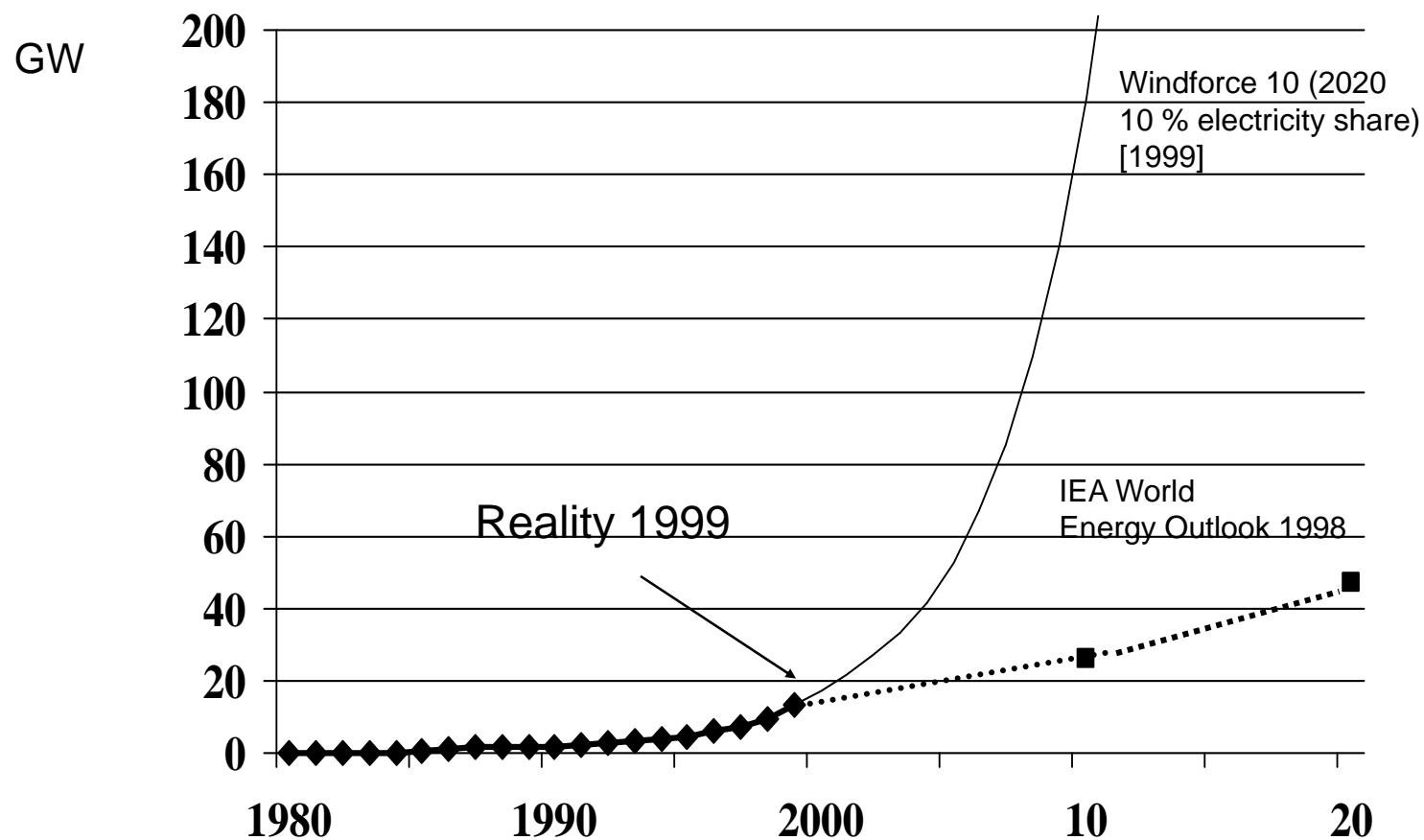
source: IEA (Noé van Hulst), Security of Supply and Climate Change



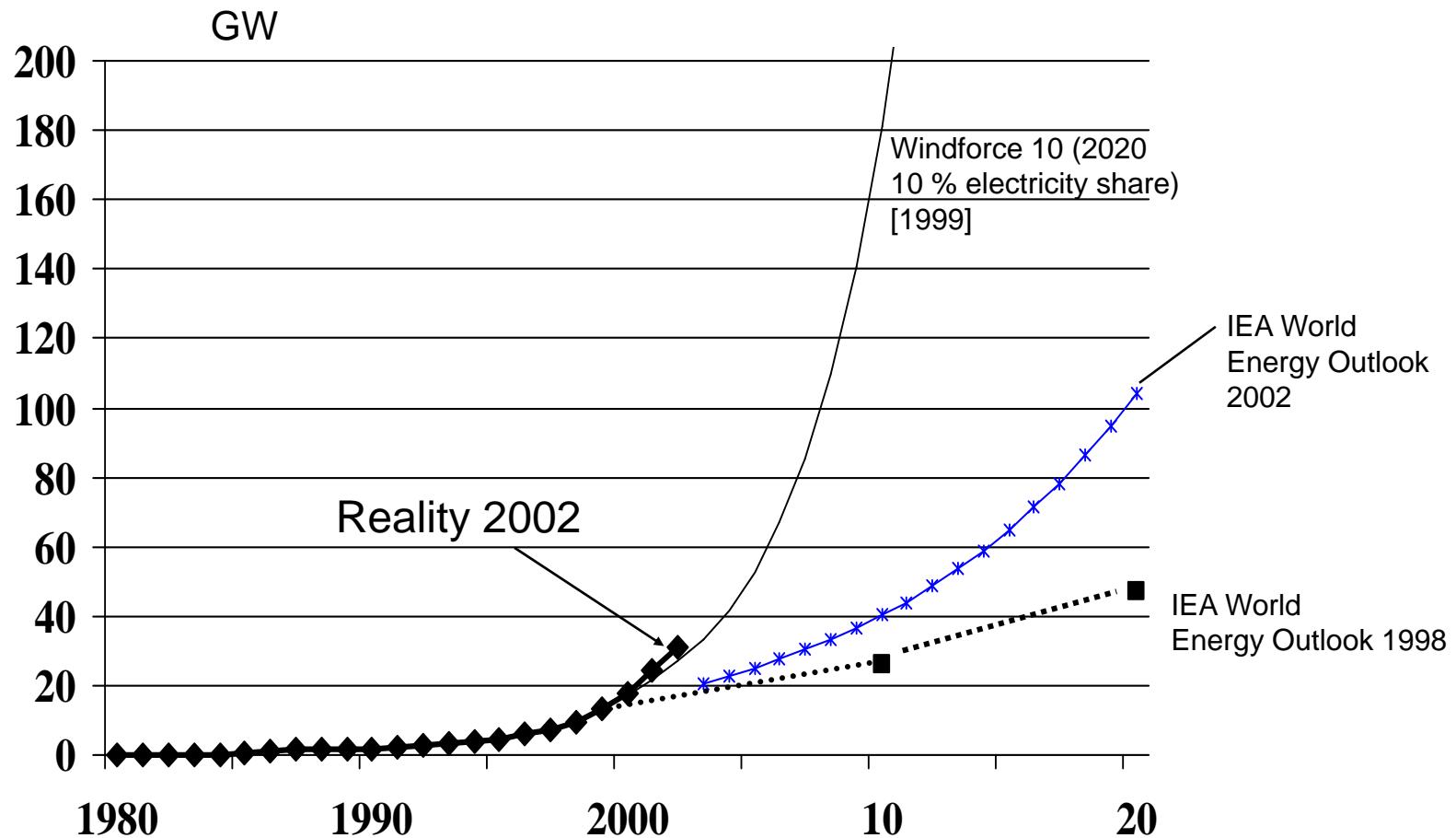
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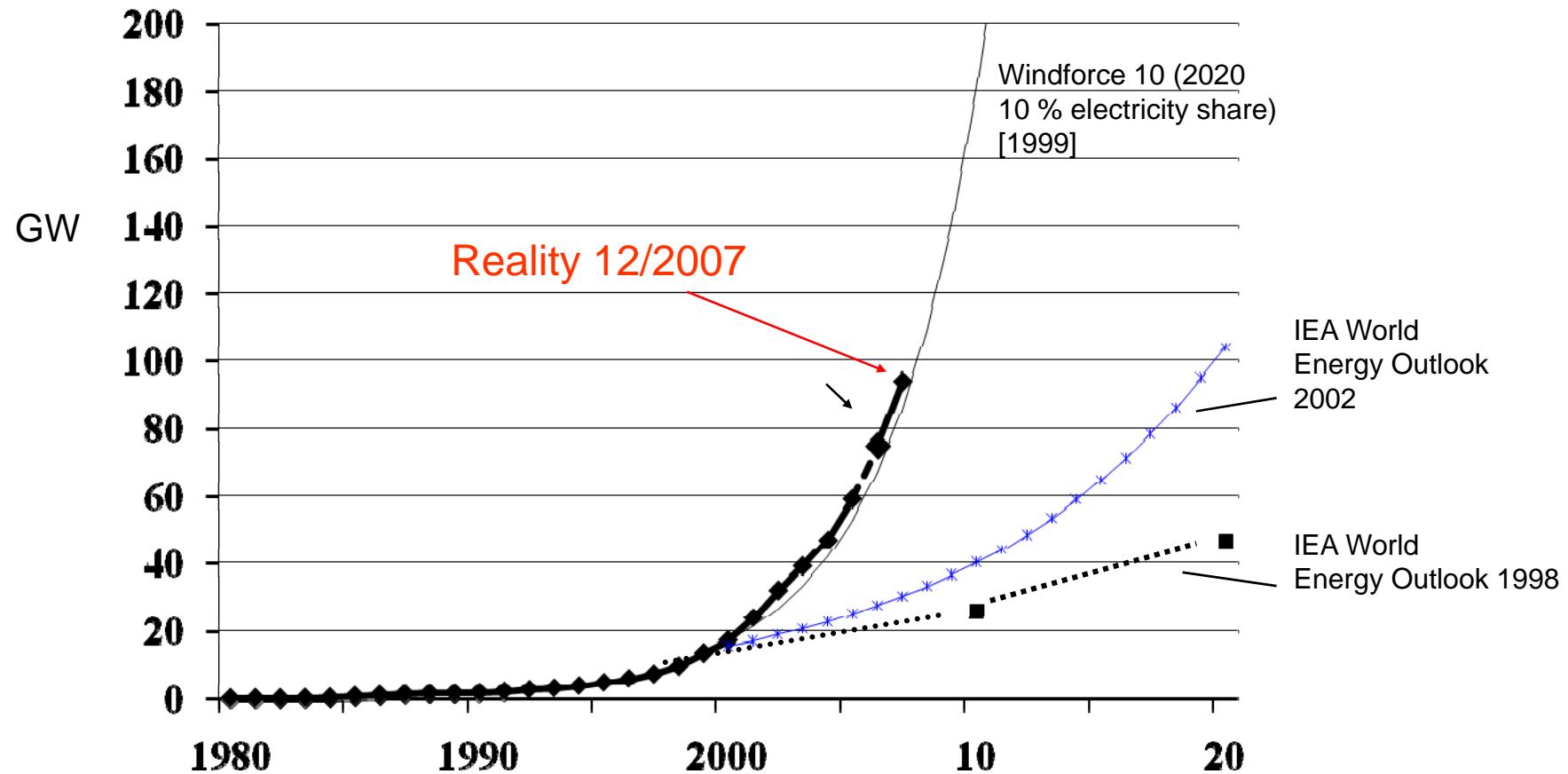
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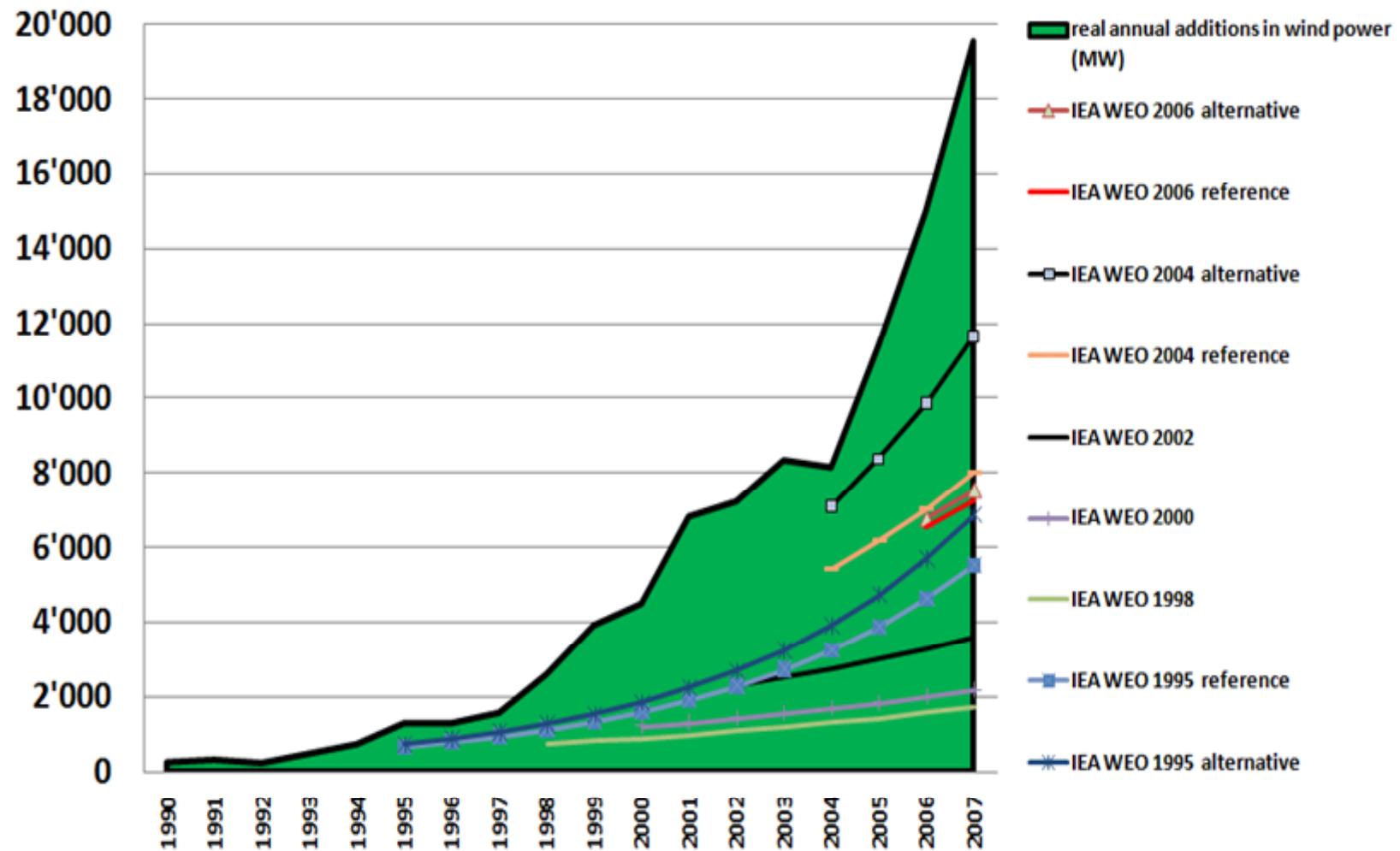
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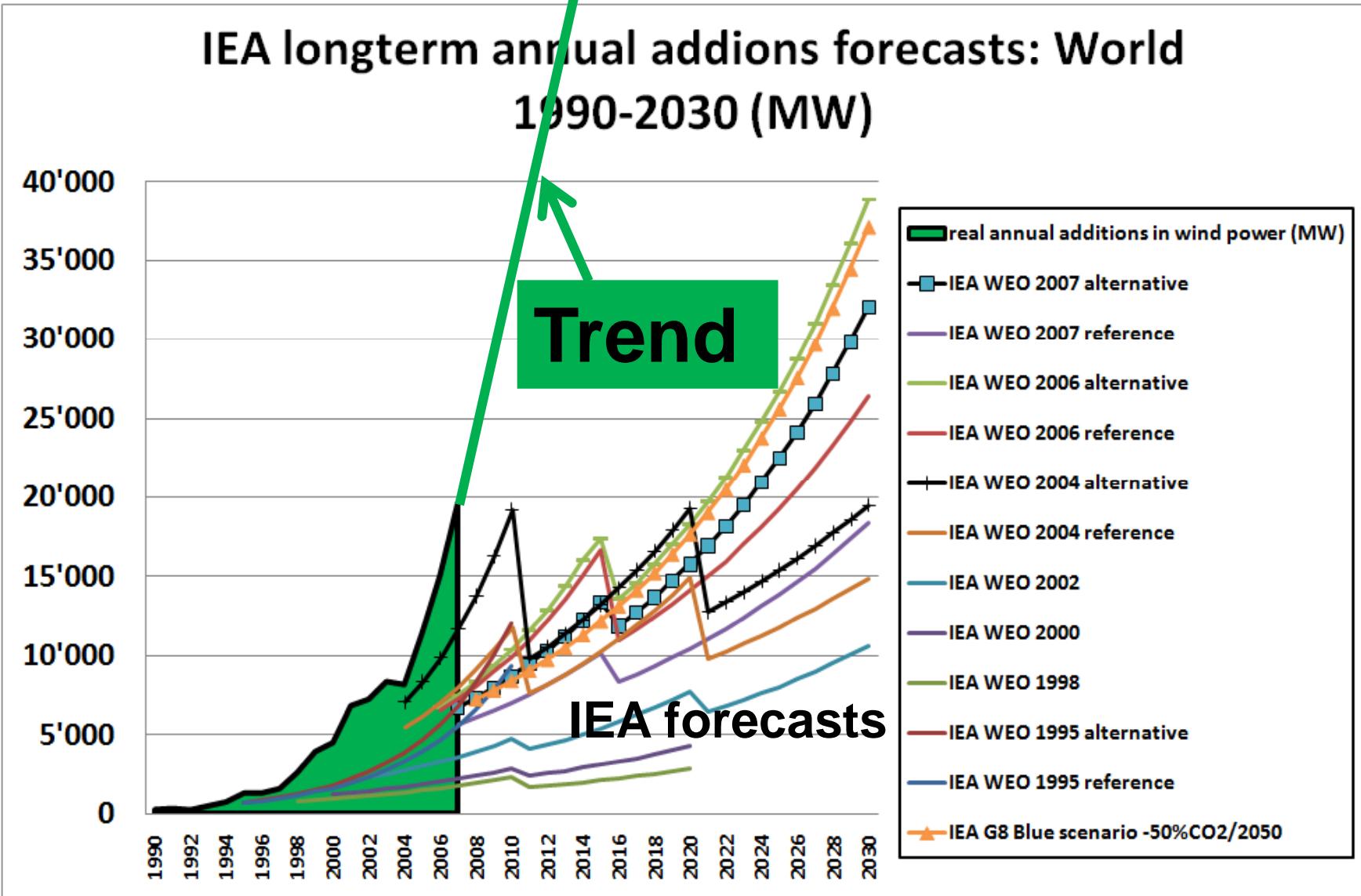
IEA: Prognosen und Wirklichkeit



IEA Forecasts and Reality 1990-2007 World Annual Wind additions (MW)



IEA: Predicting/stagnation for the next ten years



FOUR SCENARIOS – RESULTS OF A SIMPLE MODEL



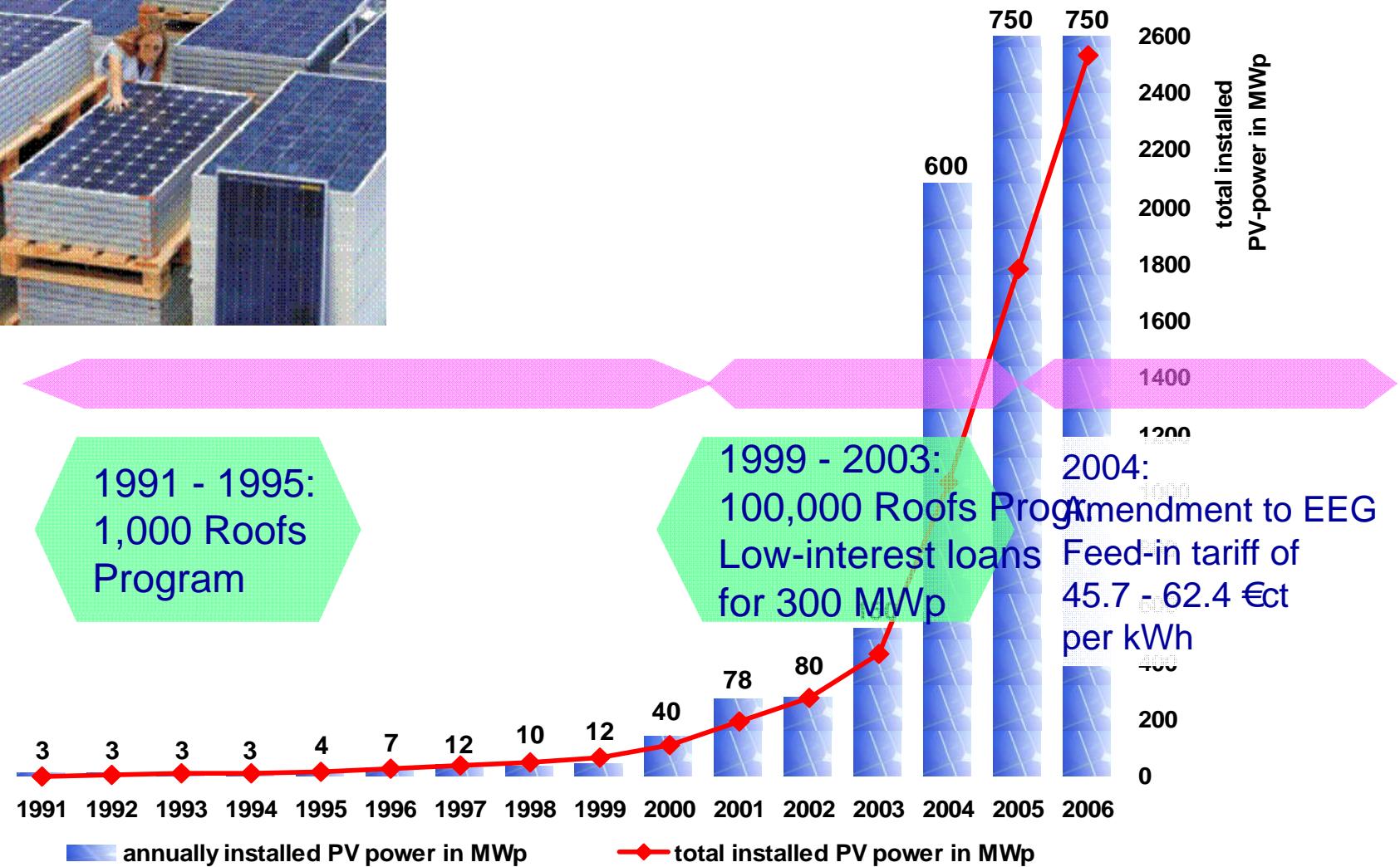
Model assumption: growth to continue!

Two parameters:

- electricity consumption
- wind-solar growth

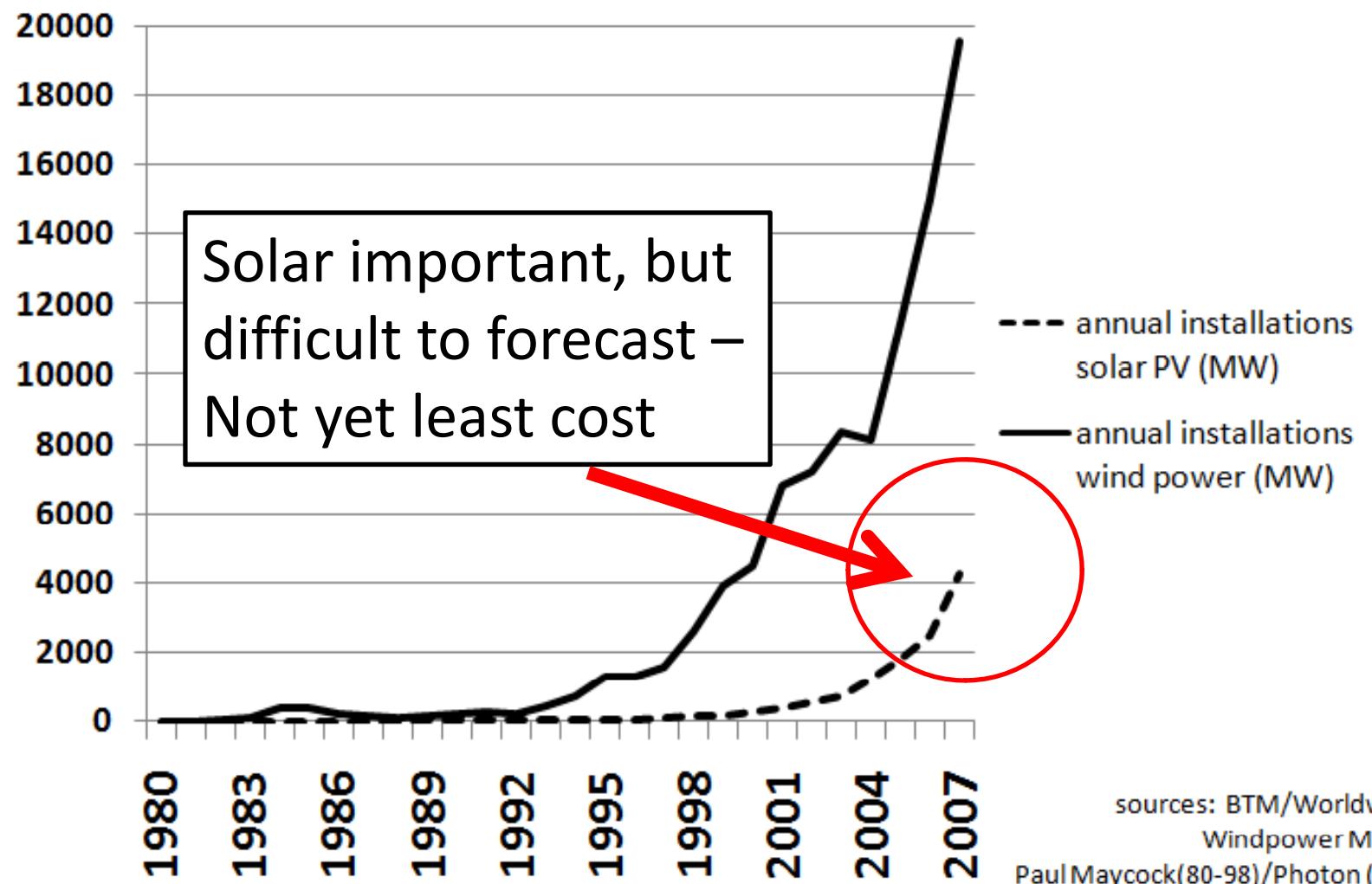
- **High growth**
= mean annual growth (1998-2007) continuing
- **Moderate growth**
= half of mean annual growth 1998-2007

Solar in Germany: explosive growth due to feed in tariffs



Annual Installations Solar PV and Wind Power

1980-2007, MW rated power

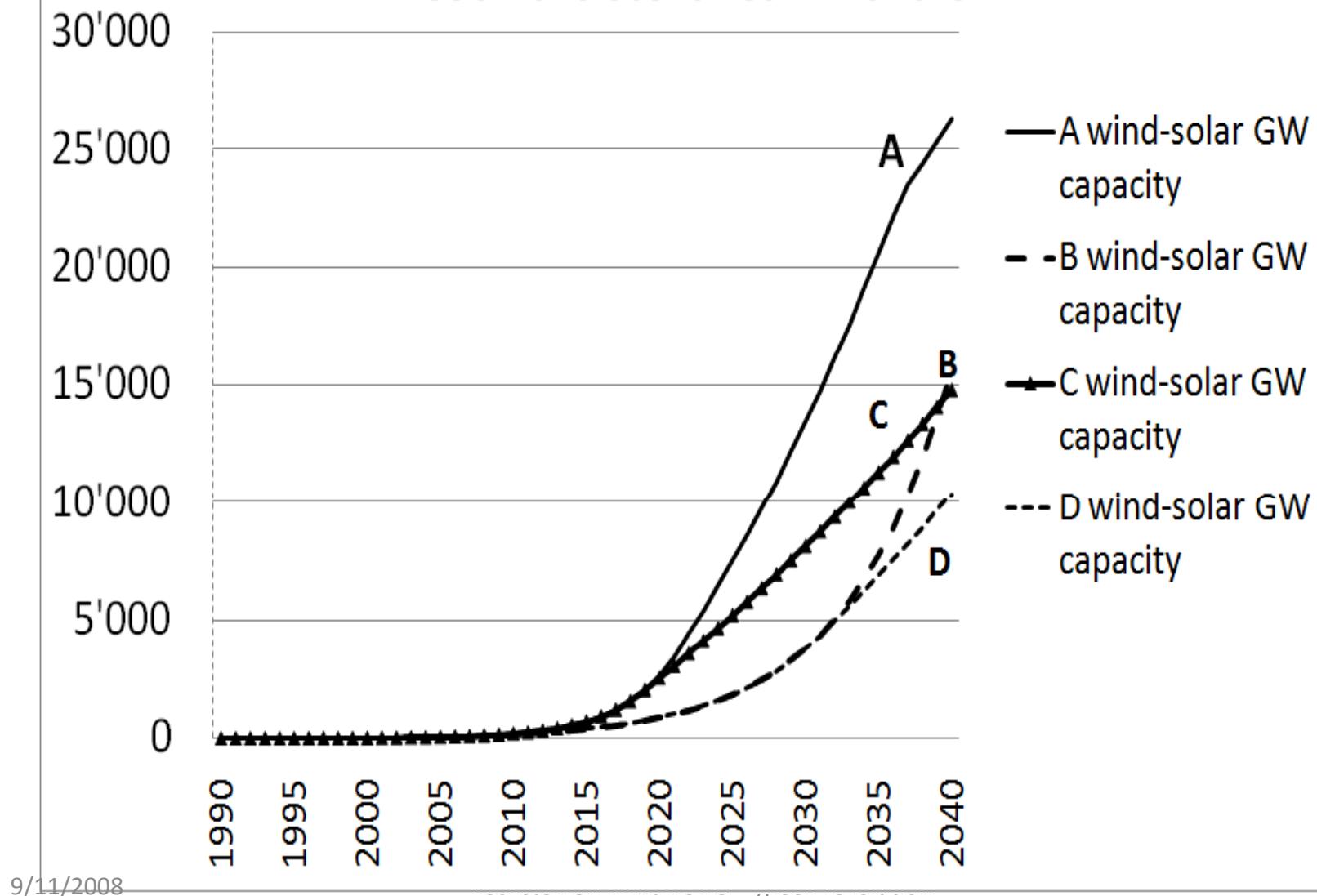


The growth rates

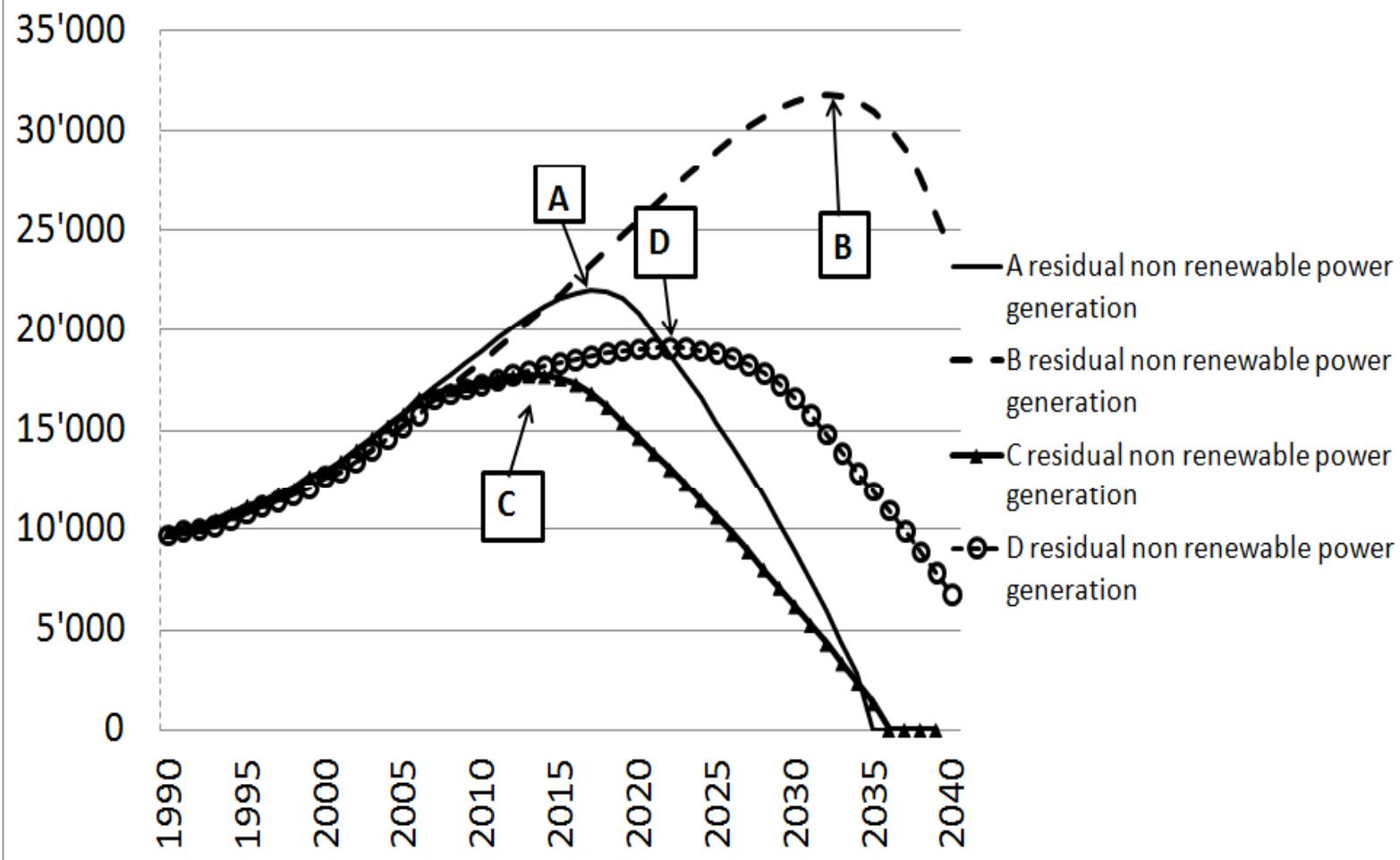
<i>Scenario</i>	Power consumption growth	Wind-solar sector growth (annual additions)
A	3.6%	30.4%
B	3.6%	15.2%
C	1.8%	30.4%
D	1.8%	15.2%

Wind-solar power cumulated name plate capacity GW_{CF25}

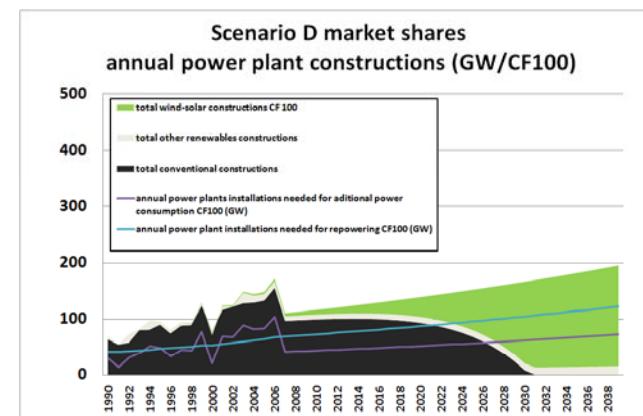
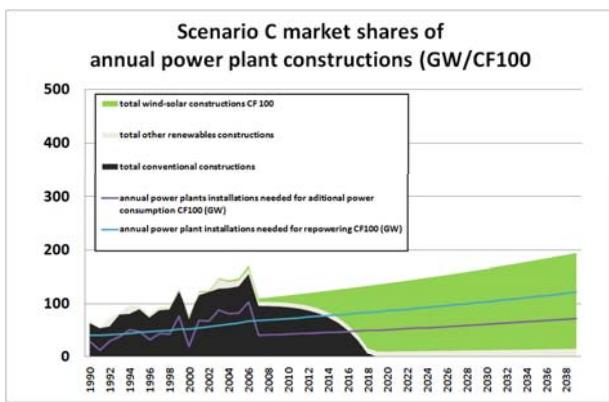
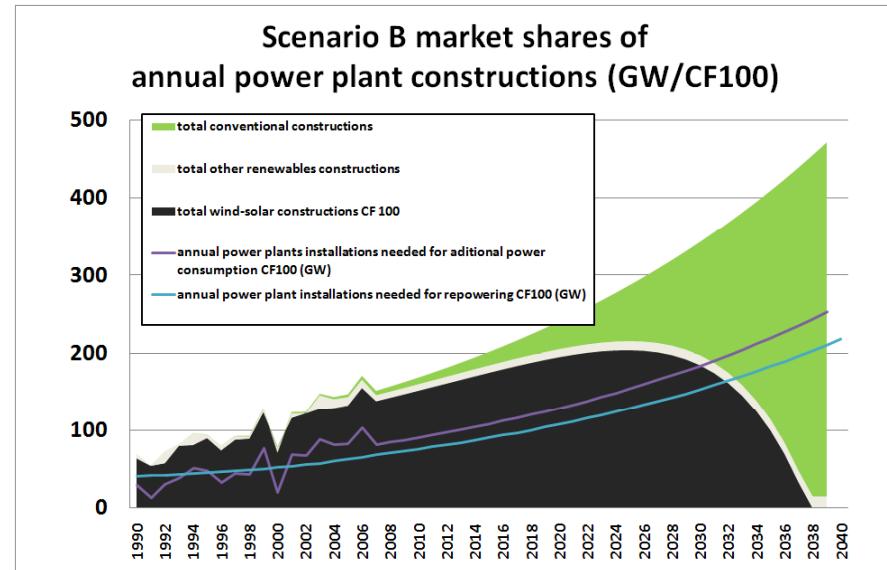
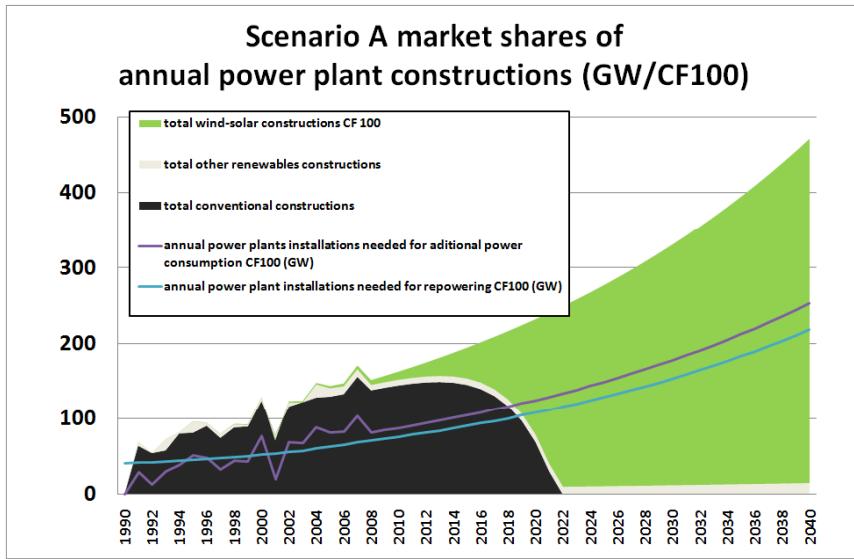
1990-2040 Scenarios A-B and C-D

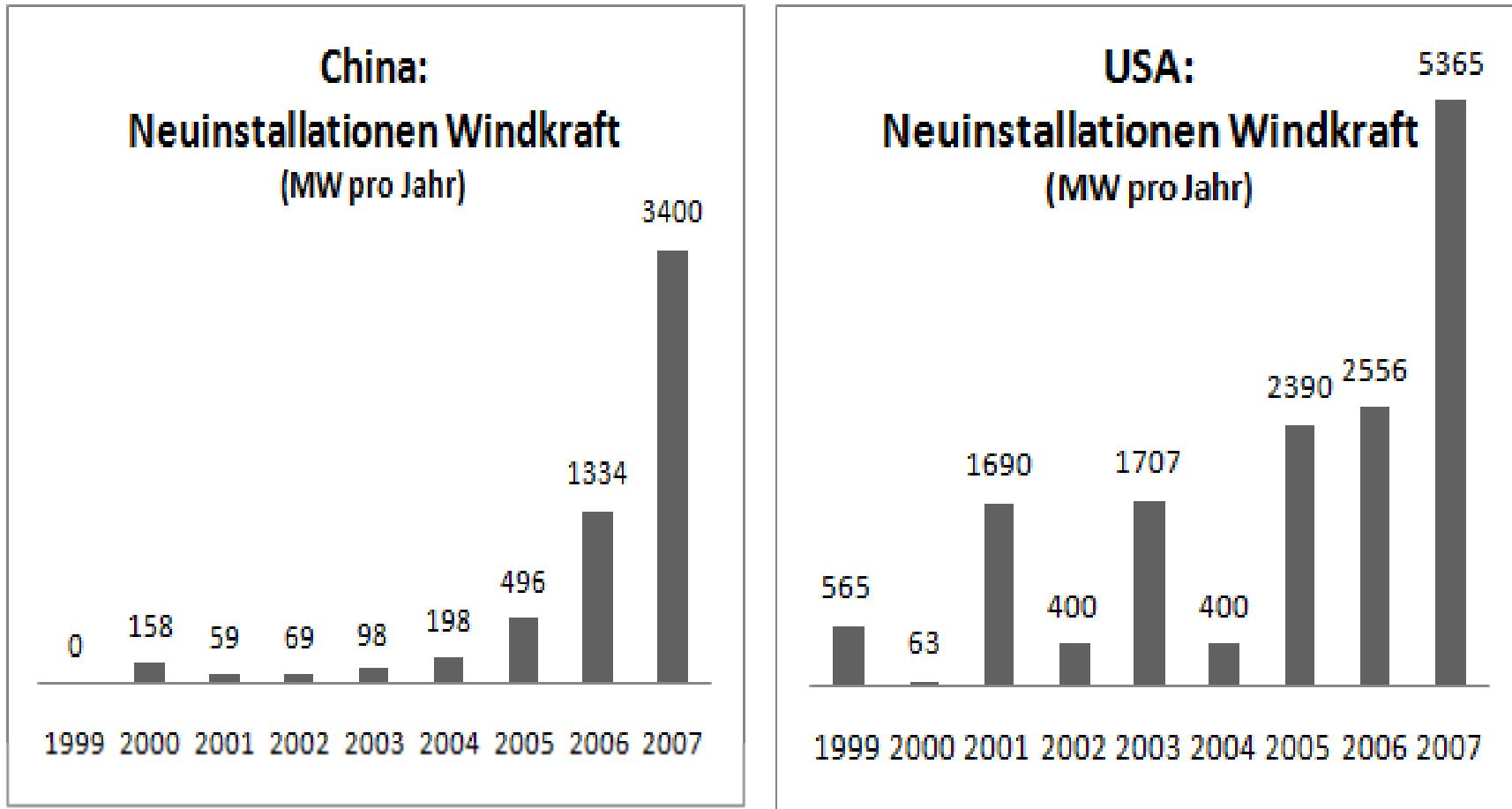


Non renewable power generation TWh, and peak year 1990-2040 Scenarios A-D



Power plant investment shares scenarios A-D

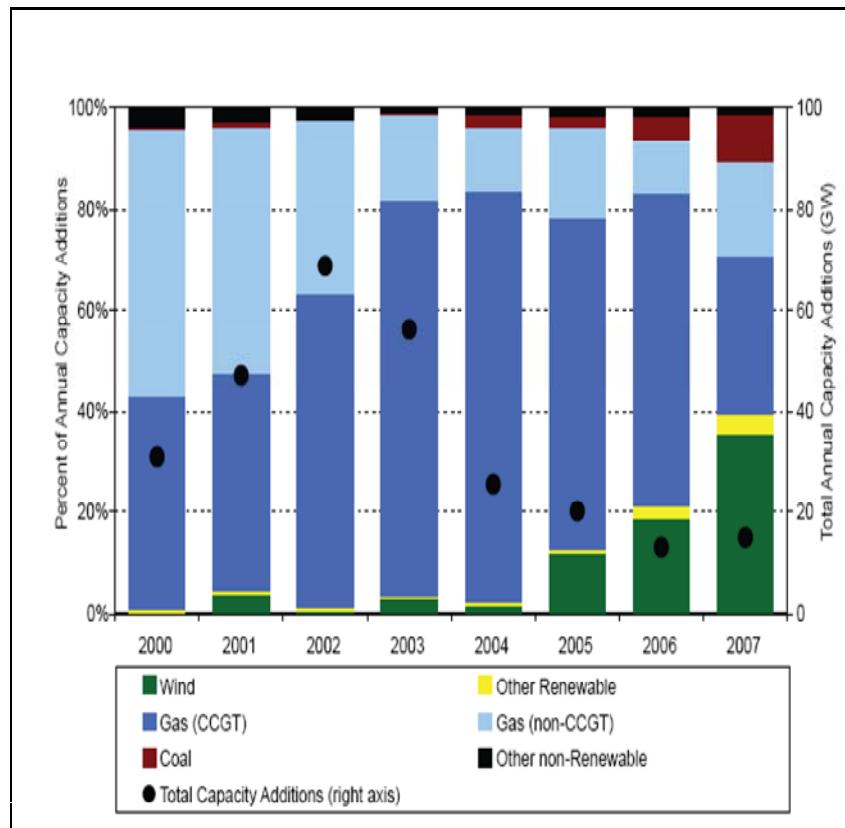




Reality shows: change is possible

Texas is not alone...

Wind power ~40 percent of new US power plants 2007



Wind power number one in Europe in MW 2007

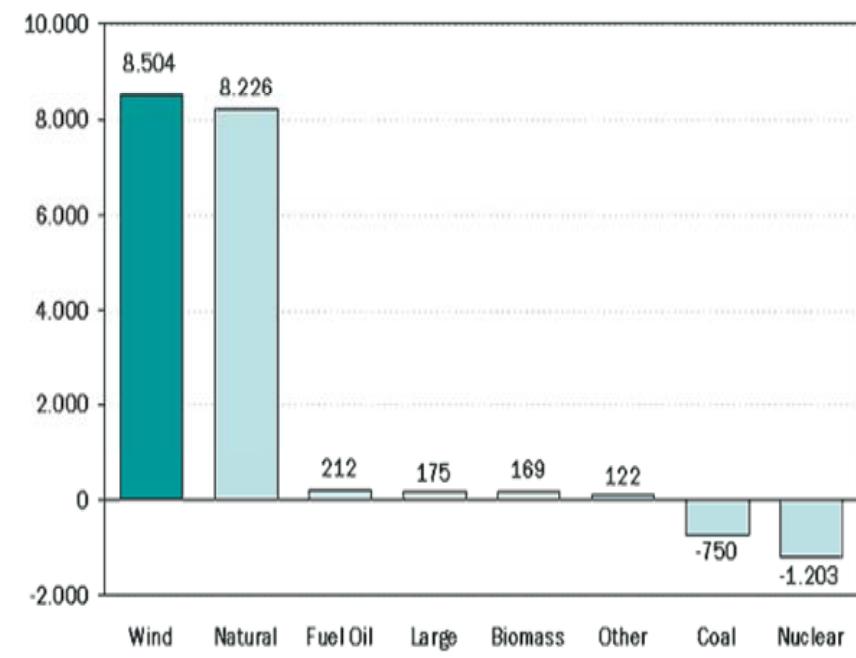
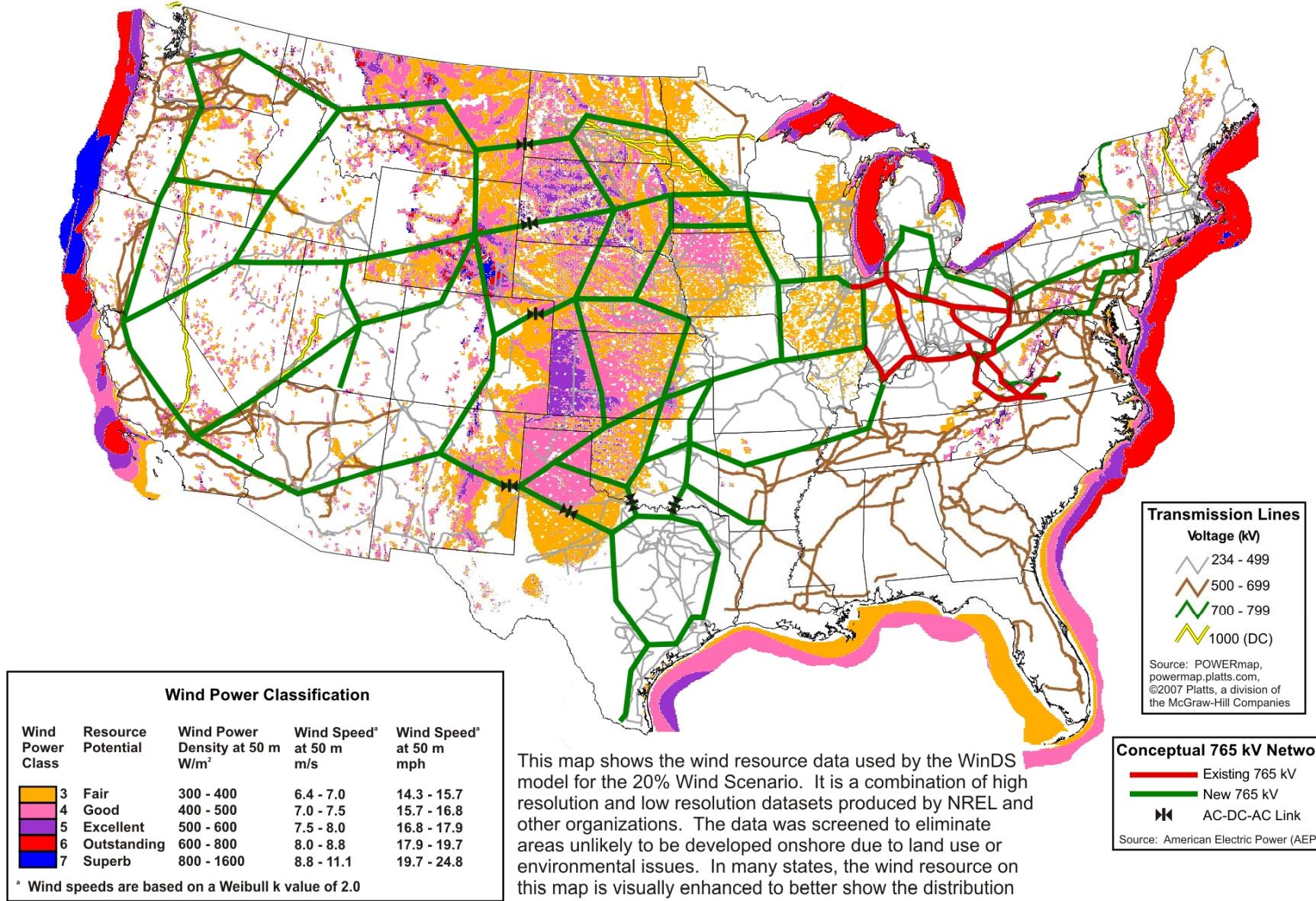


Figure 1 power mix of capacity additions in the US 2000-2007 and in Europe 2007



WHAT HAPPENS WHEN THE WIND IS NOT BLOWING?

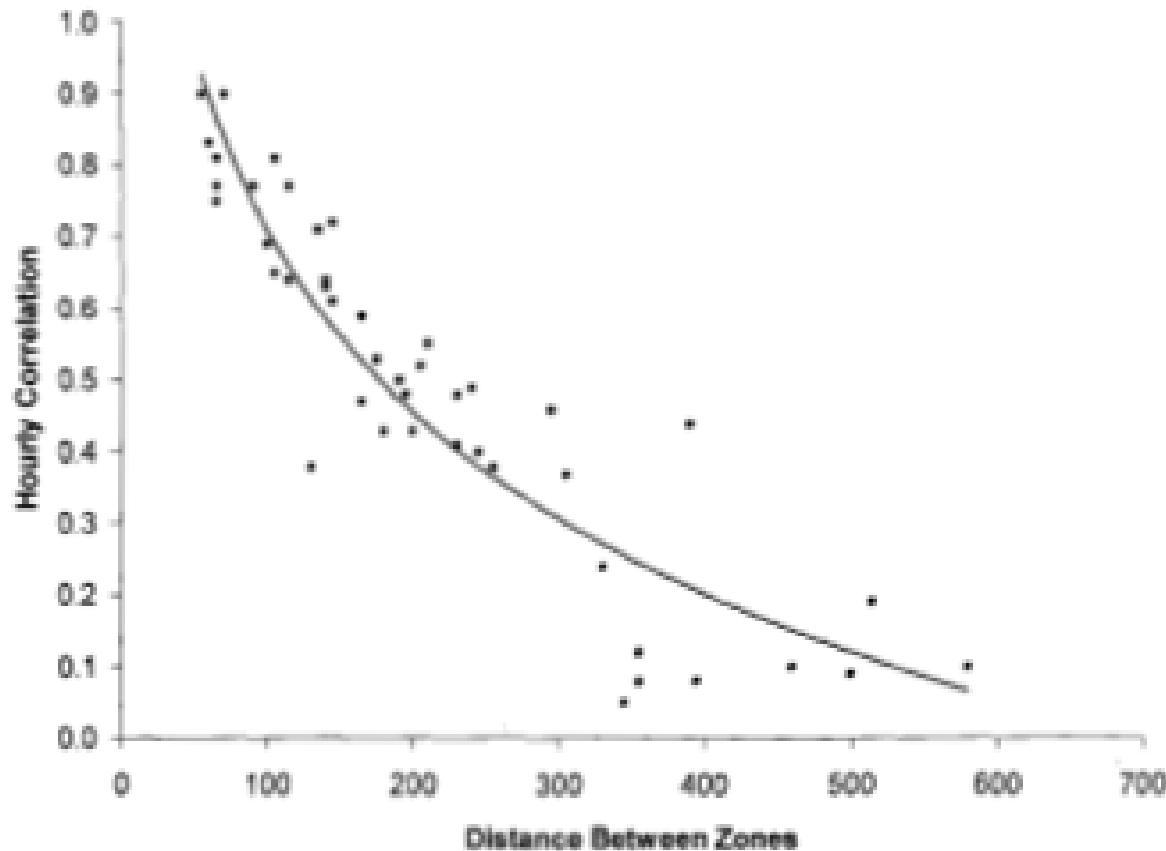
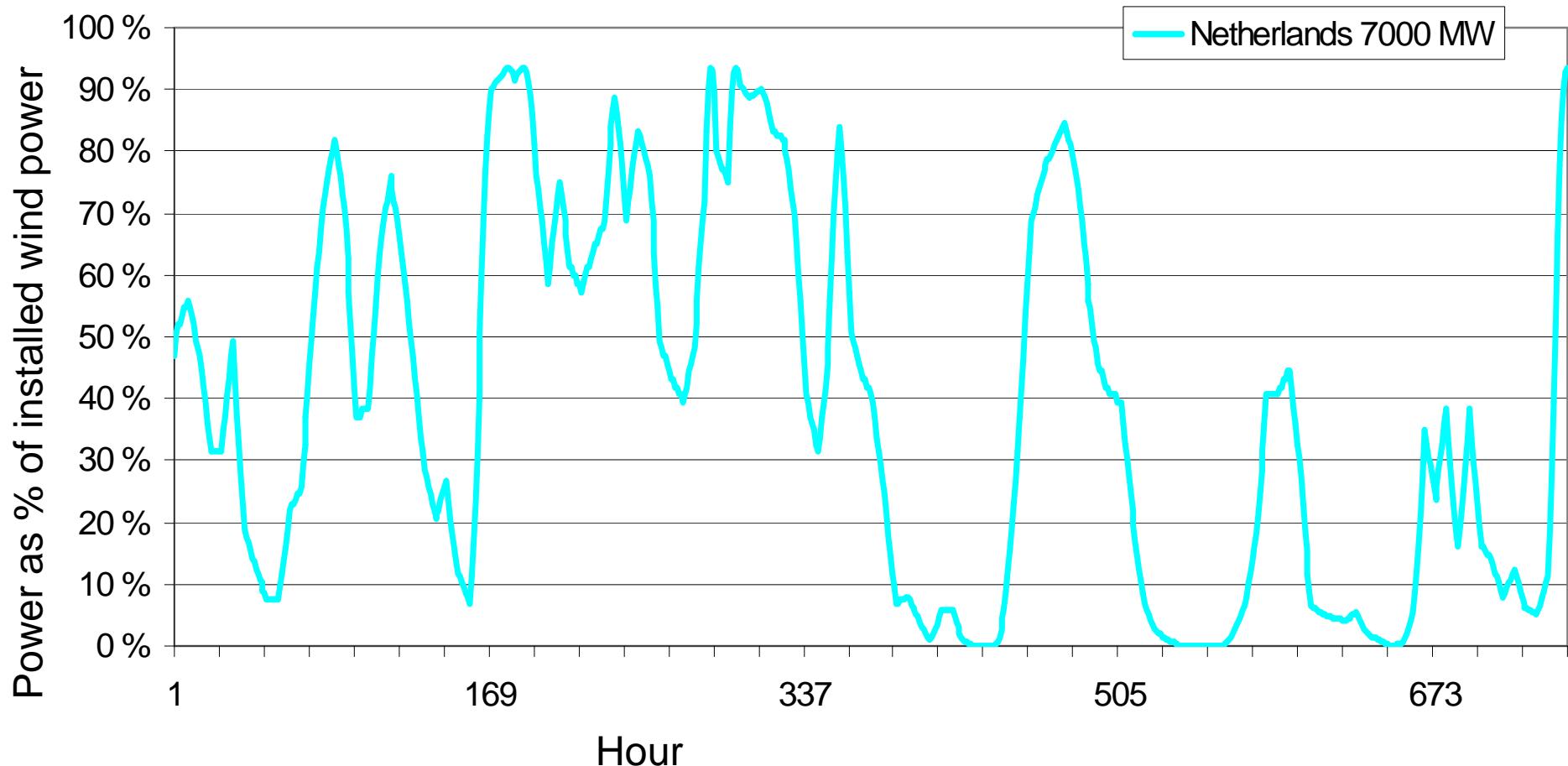


Figure 4 Wind variability hourly correlation drops dramatically with distance between wind zones.

Smoothing effect Netherlands only

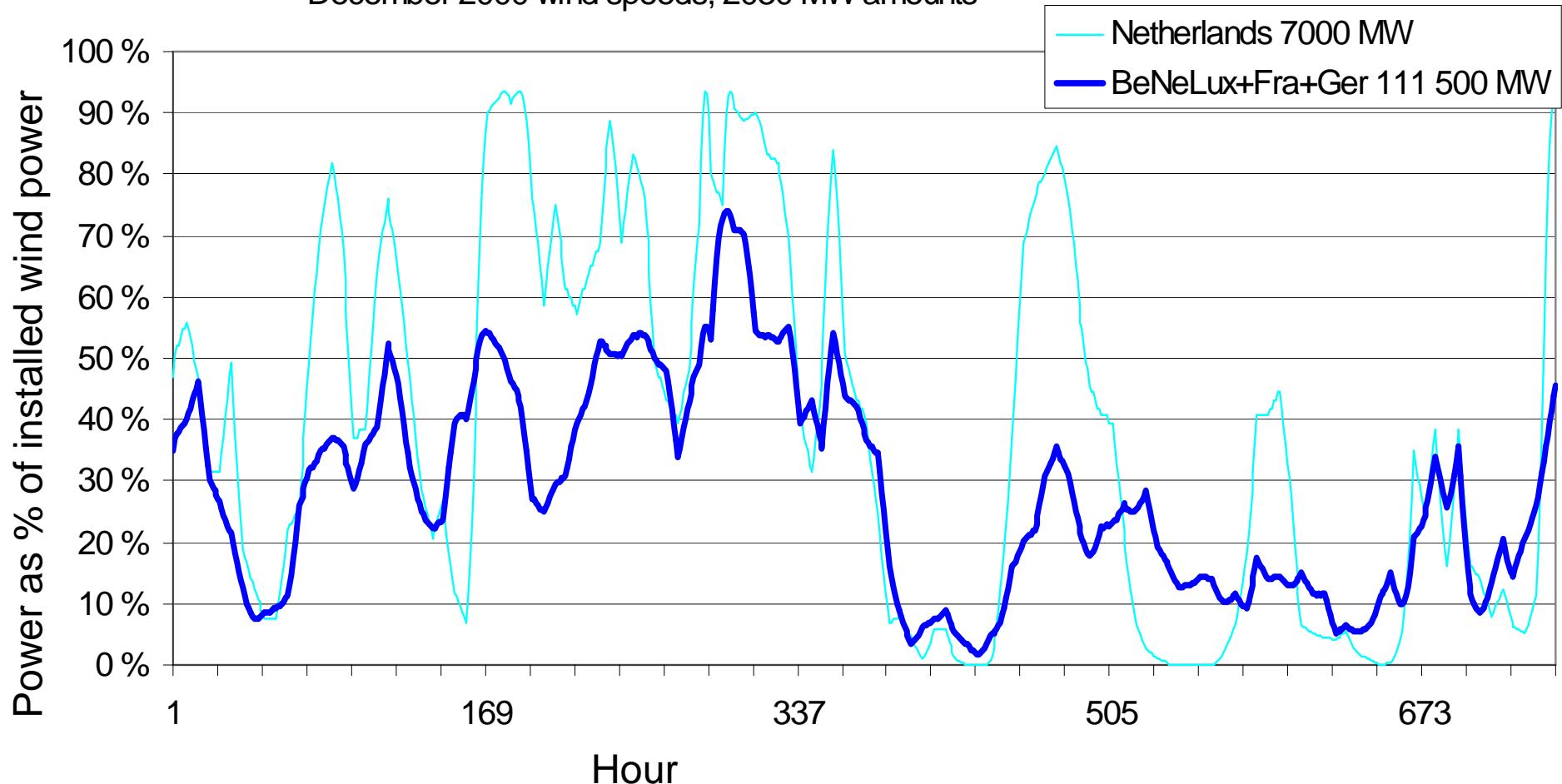
December 2000 wind speeds, 2030 MW amounts



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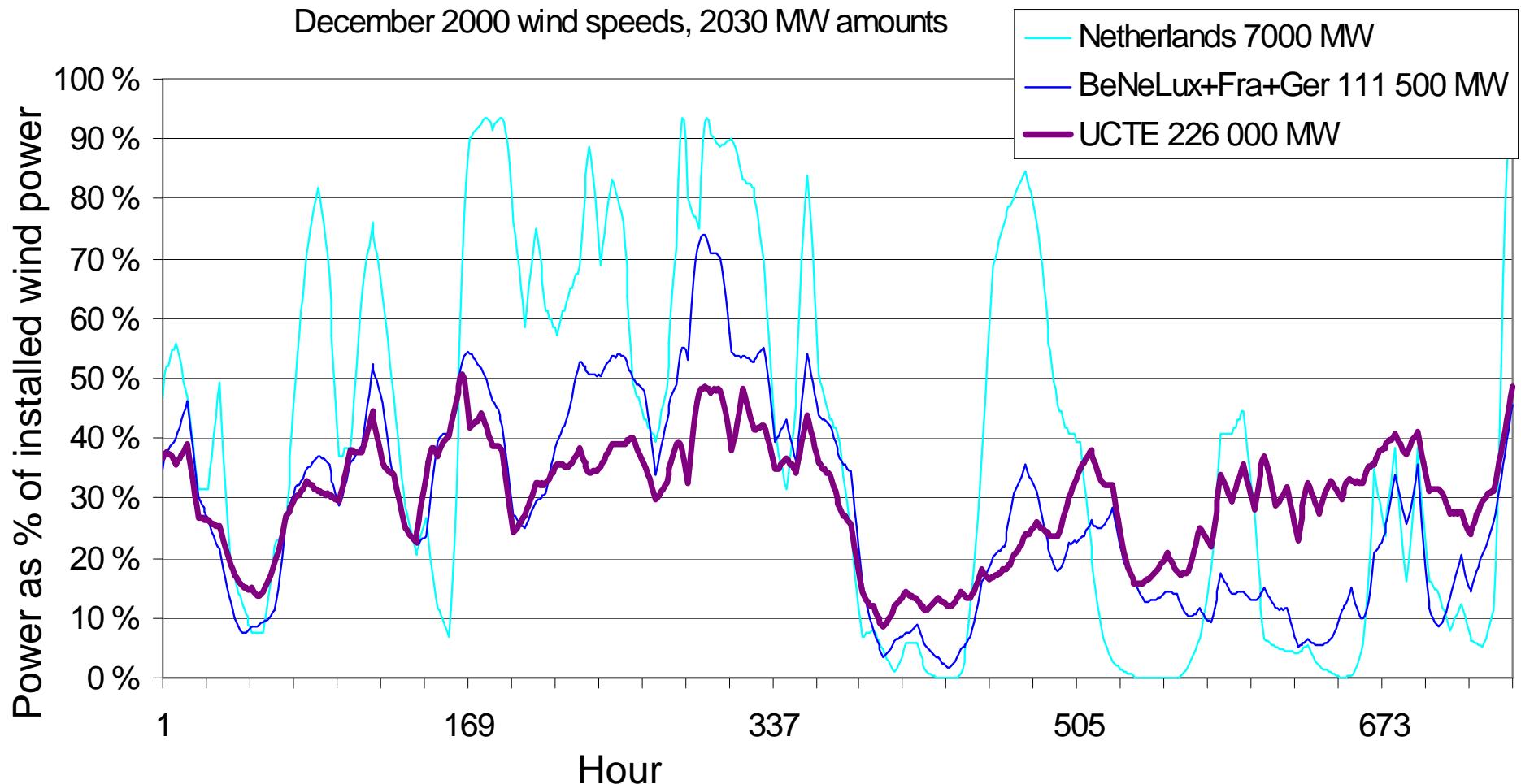
Benelux+France+Germany

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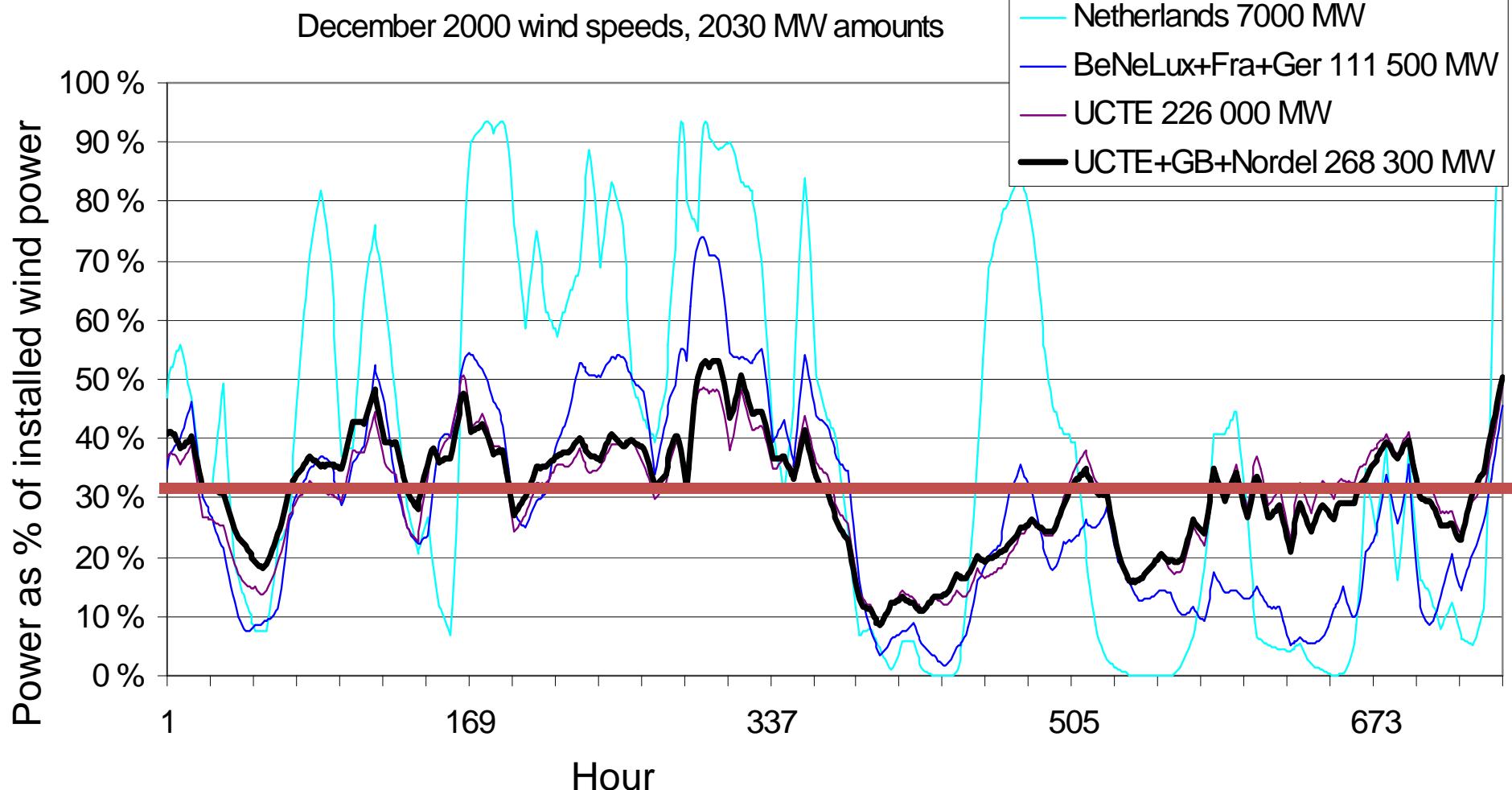
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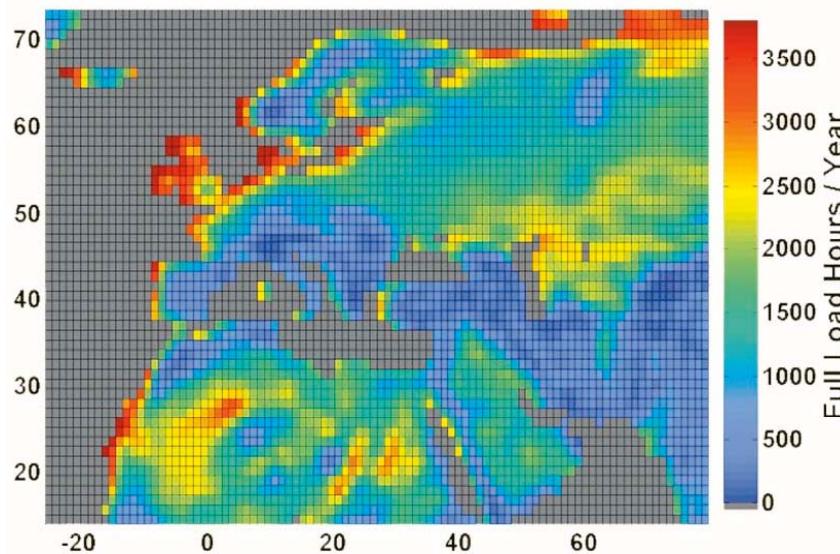
UCTE+Nordel+UK



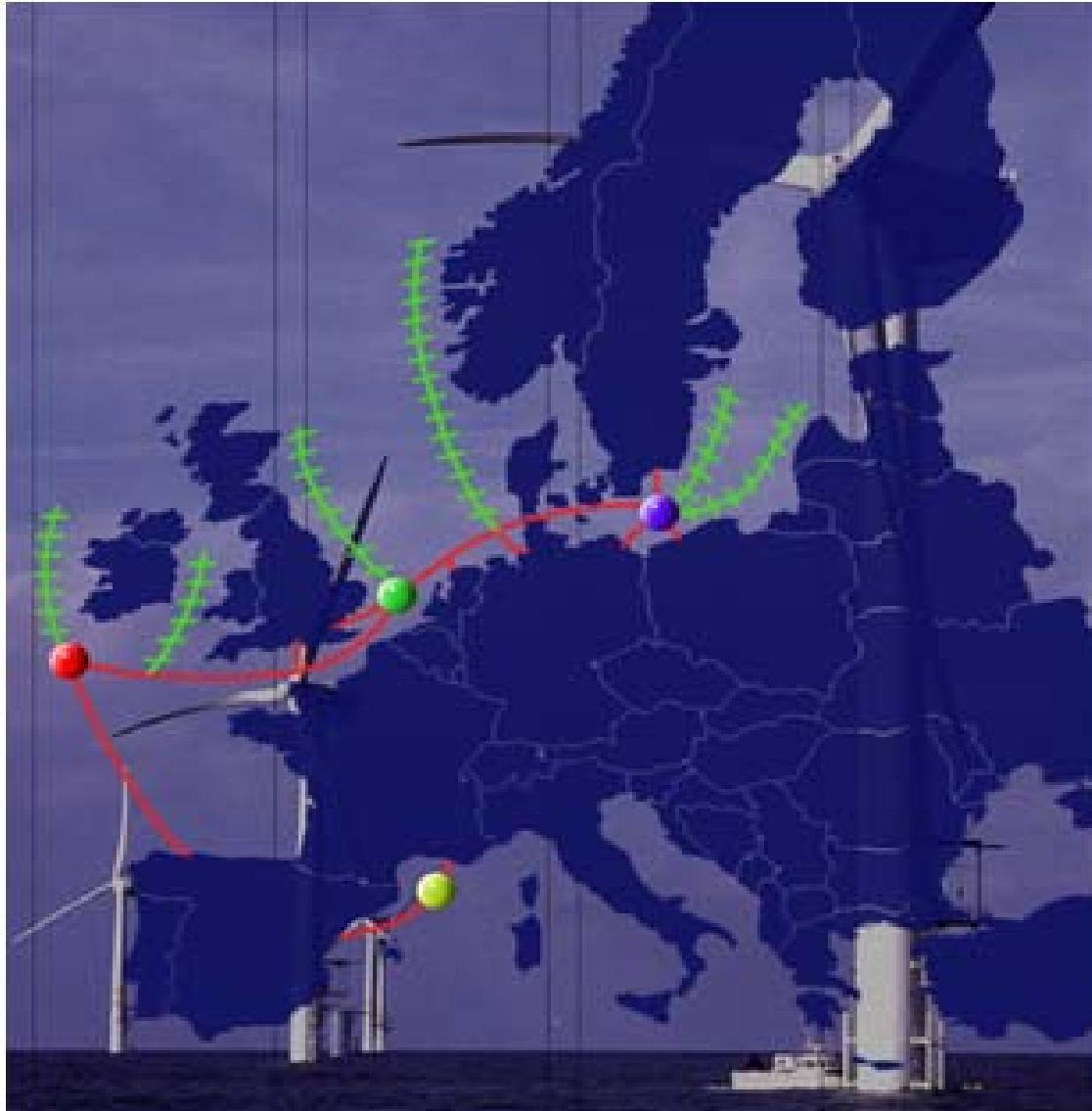
Forecast precision 24 h: 5-6 % deviation



Lower overall costs by continental capacity management



- Create HDVC-lines continent-wide
- Make hydro storage available for nations with low storage capacities
- Use fossil fuels like nat gas for capacity management instead of base-load power until renewables deliver 100% of overall consumption.

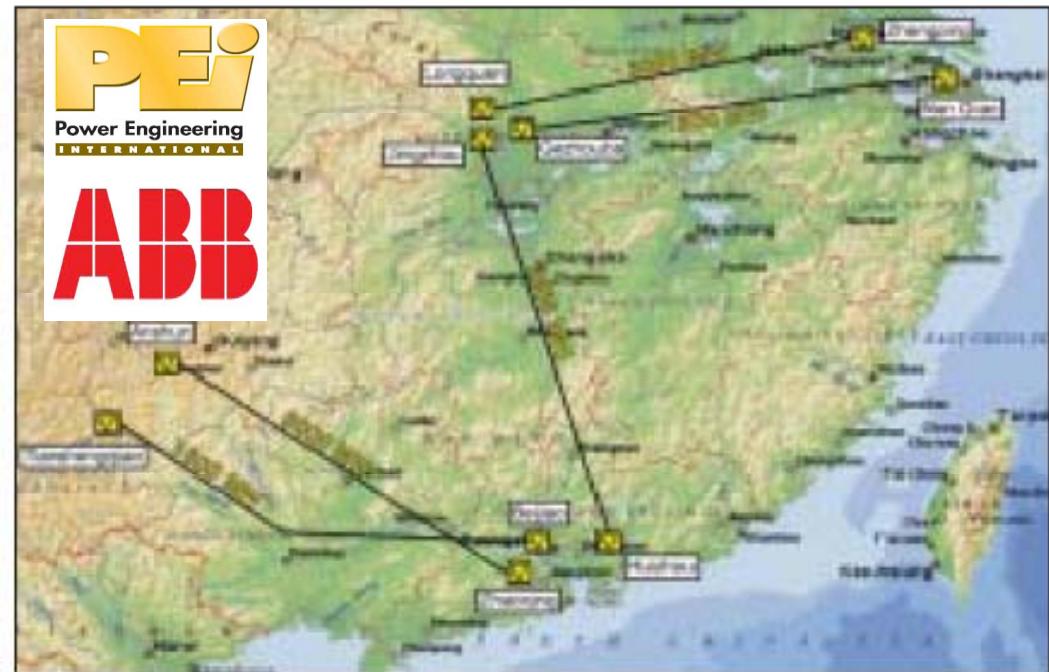


HVDC-lines: high power – low losses, no electro smog

Figure 1-B. Left powerline: The Pacific Direct Current Intertie (PDCI), near Bishop, CA. HVDC, 3,000 MW, +/- 500 kv bipole, 846 miles from Celilo, at The Dalles Dam, OR to Sylmar (NW Los Angeles, CA). Commissioned in 1970 as 1,500 MW line. The right powerline is conventional high voltage AC.



state of the art: 1-3 GW capacity in one cable
many new projects – earth cables cheap



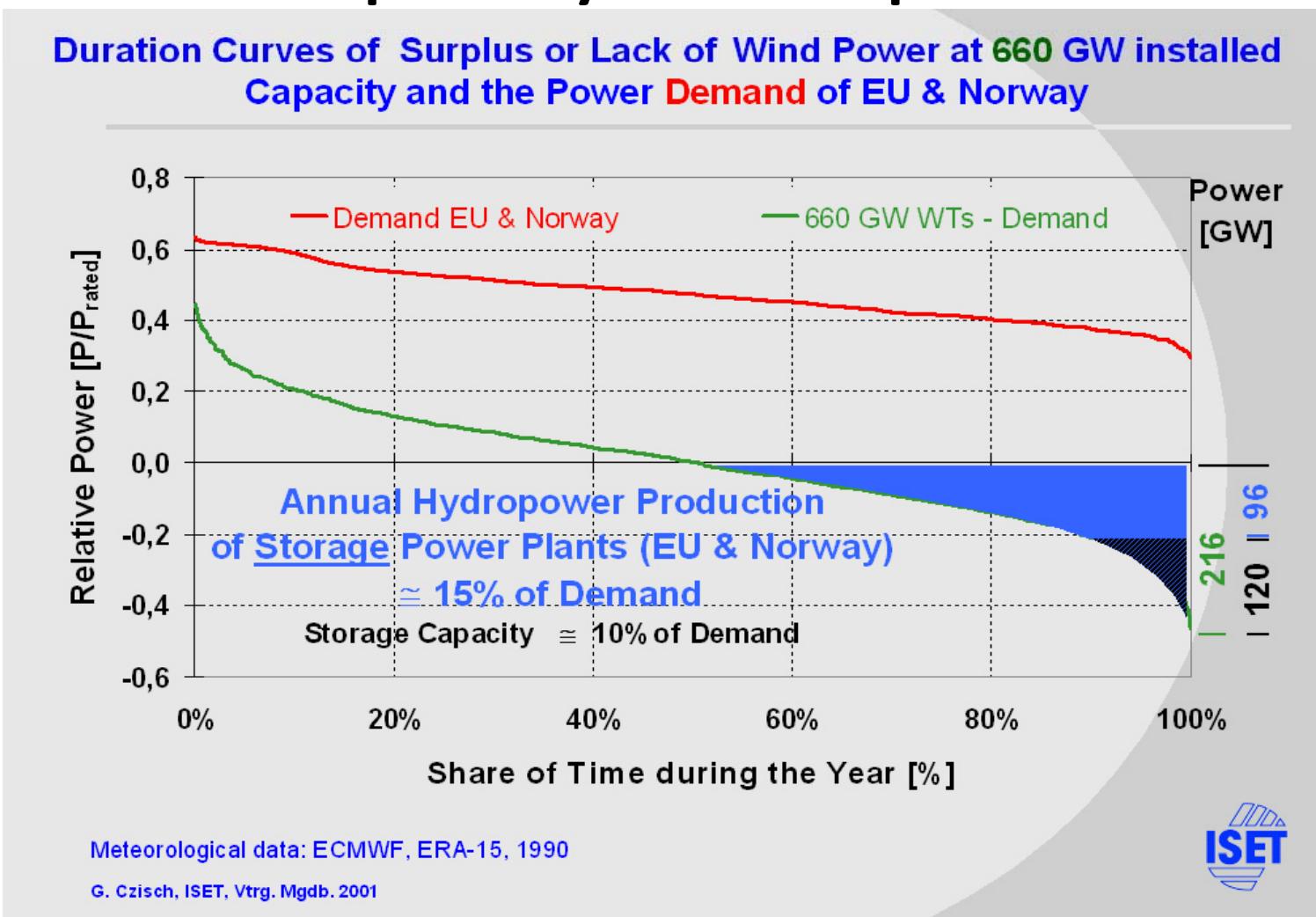
Europe: Storages exist already interconnection insufficient

Storage Hydro Power in Europe: *Rated Power, Storage Capacity and Annual Energy Production*

Data of UCTE 1998	Rated Power of Reservoir and mixed pumped Storage	Storage Capacity of Reservoir and mixed pumped Storage	Annual Energy Prod. of Reservoir and mixed pumped Storage
	[GW]	[TWh]	[TWh]
Slovenia/Croatia	1.4	1.8	?
Switzerland	8.2	8.4	18.0
Serbia and Montenegro	2.0	2.0	?
Portugal	2.1	2.6	4.2
Austria	5.6	3.2	7.0
Luxembourg	0.0	0.0	0.0
Italy	7.5	7.9	17.6
Greece	1.9	2.4	2.8
France	11.6	9.8	18.2
Germany	1.4	0.3	1.1
Belgium	0.0	0.0	0.0
Spain	7.7	18.4	16.7
Sum of UCTE	49	57	86
Data of NORDEL			
Norway	27.3	84.1	112.6
Finland	2.9	4.9	12.6
Sweden	16.2	33.7	63.6
Sum of NORDEL	46	123	189
Sum of NORDEL + UCTE	96	180	275



Some 10 % energy backup + 26 % capacity backup needed



Hybrid cars and electric trains: plug-in, clean traffic



Today: ~ 20% well-to-wheel-efficiency

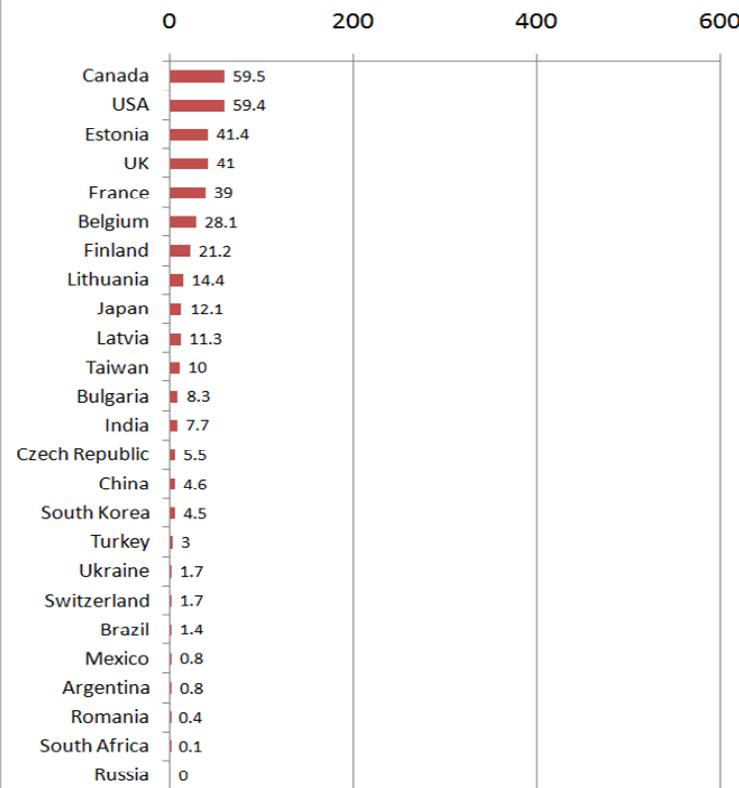
**Tomorrow: Plug-in-Hybrid = electric car+ big battery + renewable power
~ 70 % wind-to wheel-efficiency achievable**

Elektrische Zweiräder in Shanghai

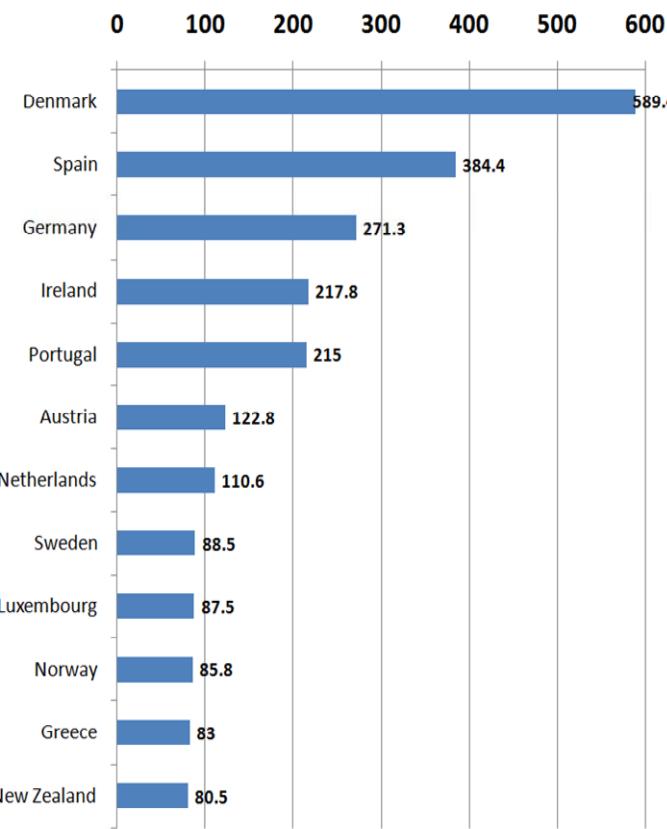


WHO IS HOSTILE TO RENEWABLES AND EFFICIENCY?

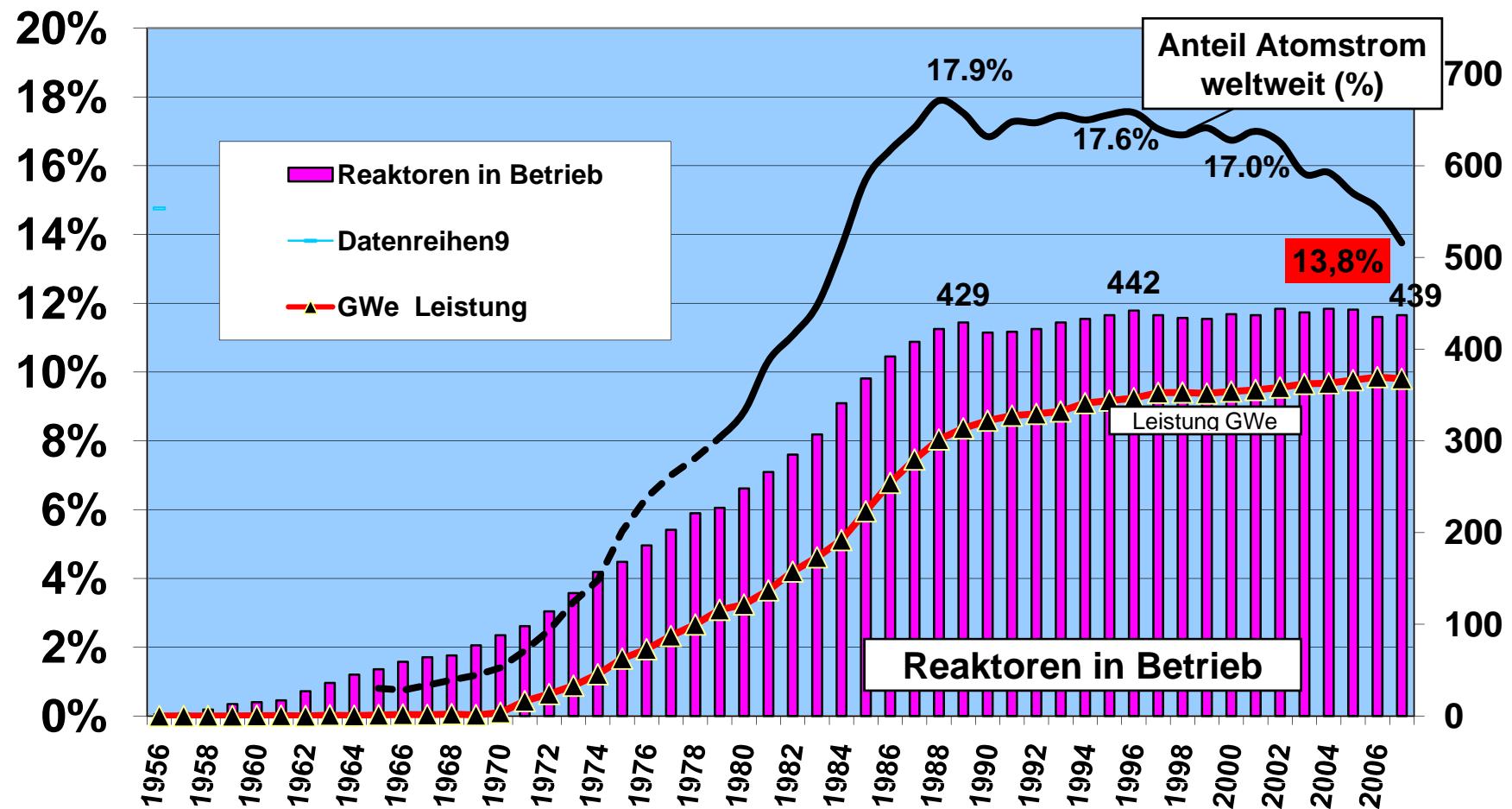
wind power penetration in W/capita: nations with nuclear energy policy or weapons



wind power penetration in W/capita: nations with legal nuclear fade-out or moratorium

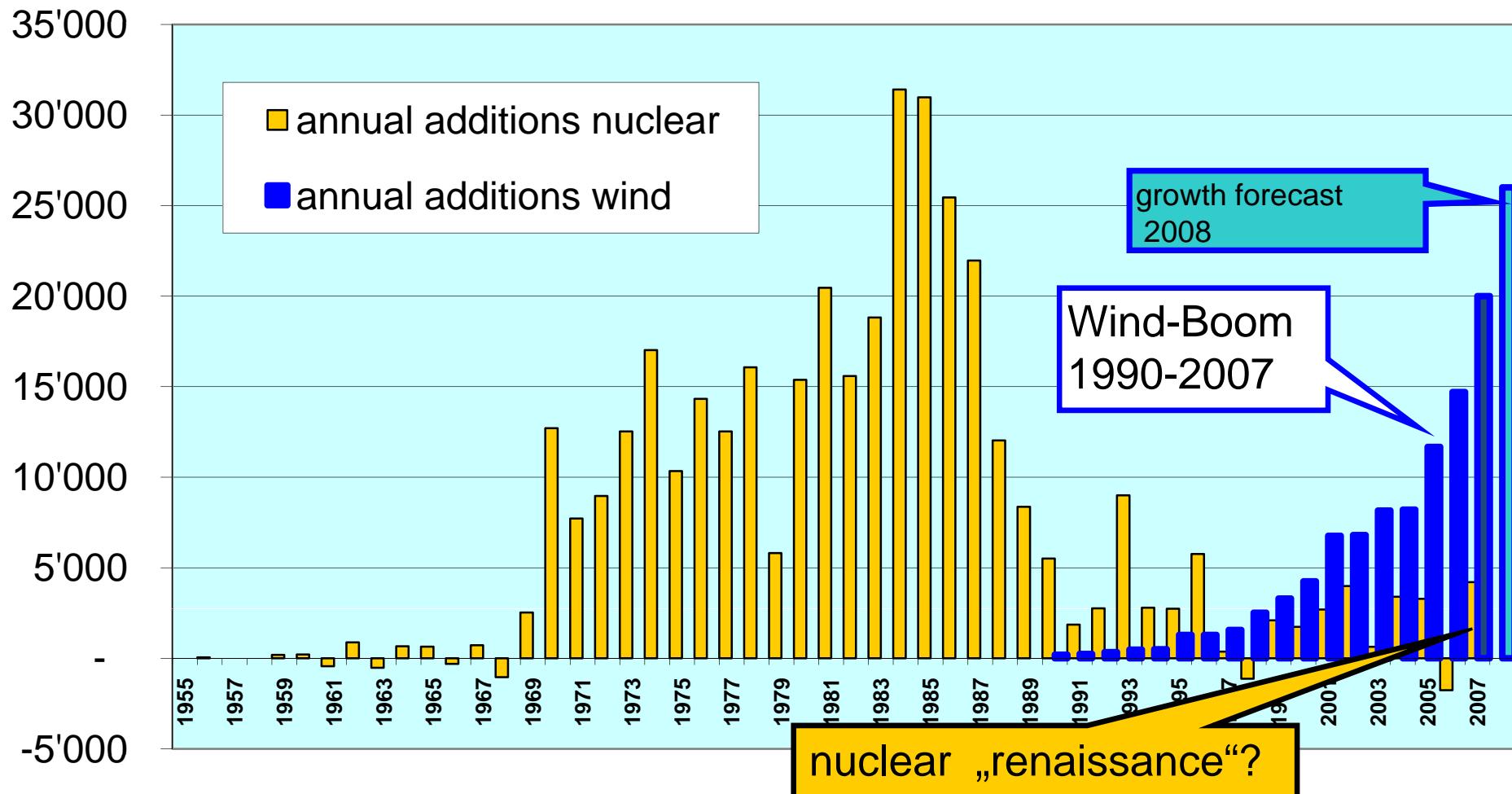


Share of nuclear power in world electricity reactors in service since 1956



Annual additions of nuclear and wind capacities in Megawatt

Quellen: IAEA: Nuclear Power Reactors in the World, REFERENCE DATA SERIES No. 2, April 2006 / PRIS



Renewable energy and efficiency can save the day

- They are here
- progress is visible
- They are cheap
- They are growing
- **Put them in place now!**