



WP 4: Future Supply of Electricity - Highlights, Impacts and Outlook

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WP4: Tasks, Activities, Objectives

Risk, Safety & Societal Acceptance

- Assist & enable upcoming P&D projects in DGE
- Move to risk-cost-benefit analysis and MCDA
- Validate & extend approaches and tools
- Engage with industry and cantonal regulators
- “Export” methodologies

Global Observatory of Electricity Resources

- Technology monitoring; contributions to ES2050
- Sustainability Assessment using (spatial) MCDA
- Electricity Market in Europe and impacts in CH
- Electricity capacity expansion in CH, incl. Europe
- Stochastic dispatch optimization of hydropower
- Scenarios for fully renewable CH

Future Supply of Electricity

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Socio-Economic–Political Drivers

- Economic, social, and political boundary cond.
- Assessment of different policy futures for Swiss electricity supply
- JA IDEA with CREST

T4.1 – Risk, Safety and Societal Acceptance

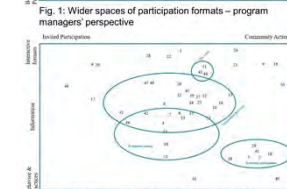
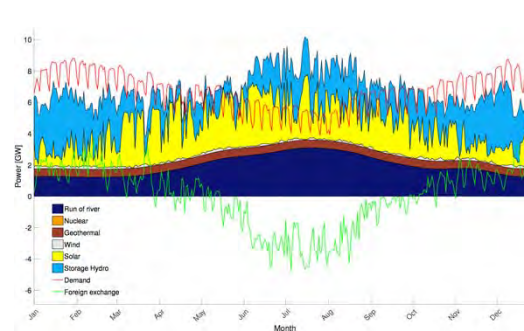
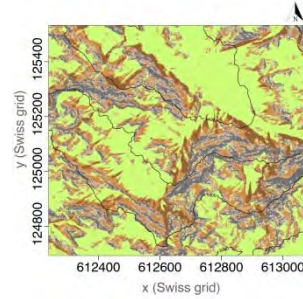
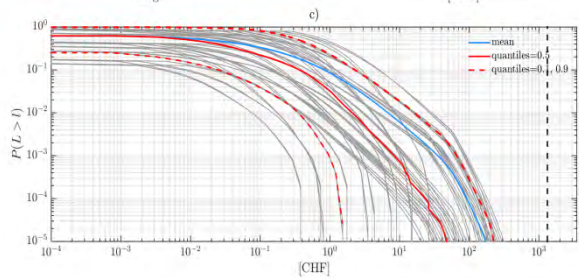
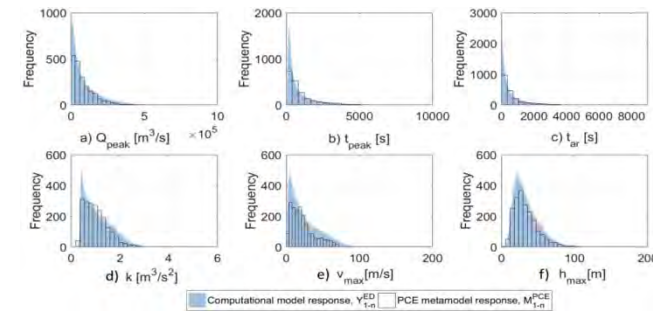
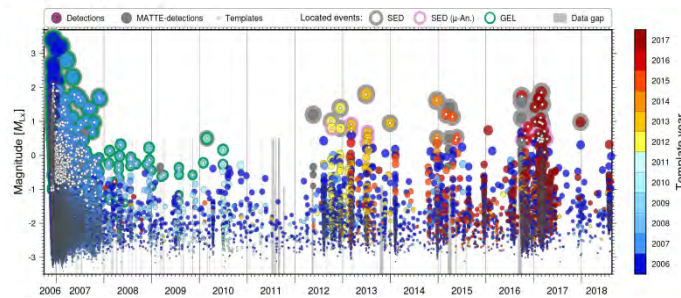
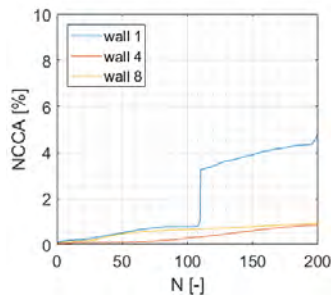
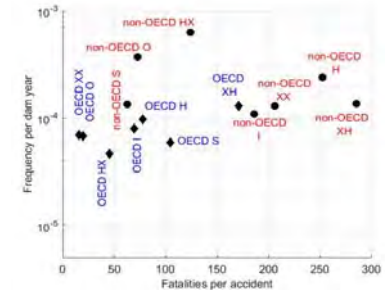
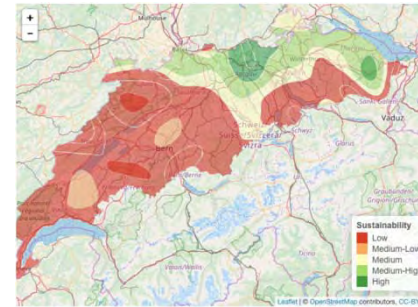
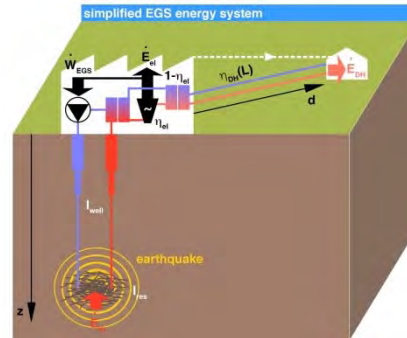
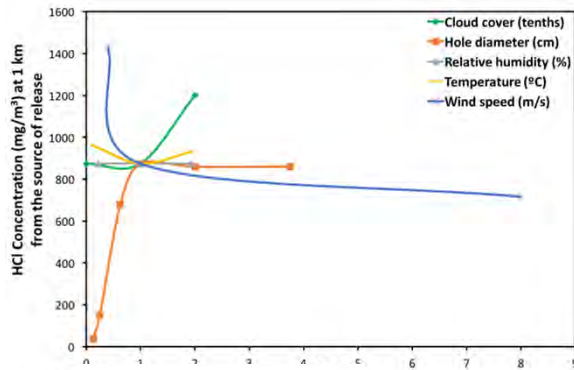


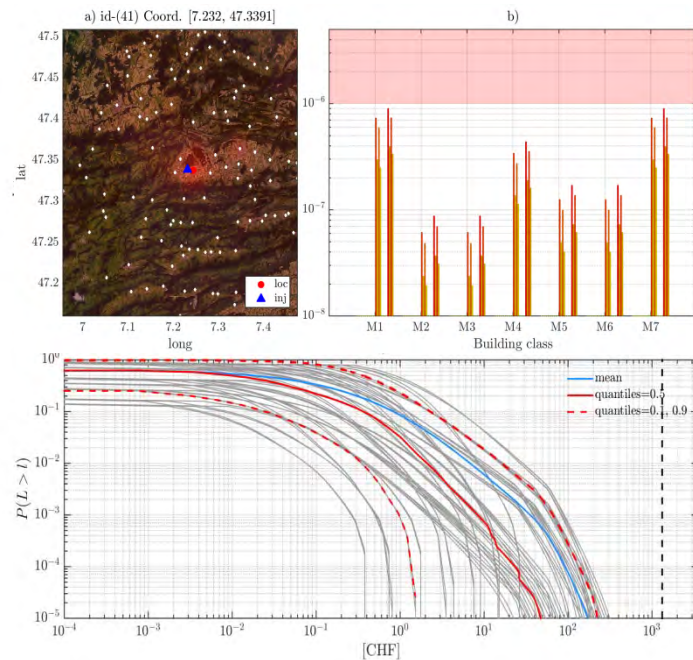
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Fig. 2: Wider spaces of participation formats – local inhabitants' perspective



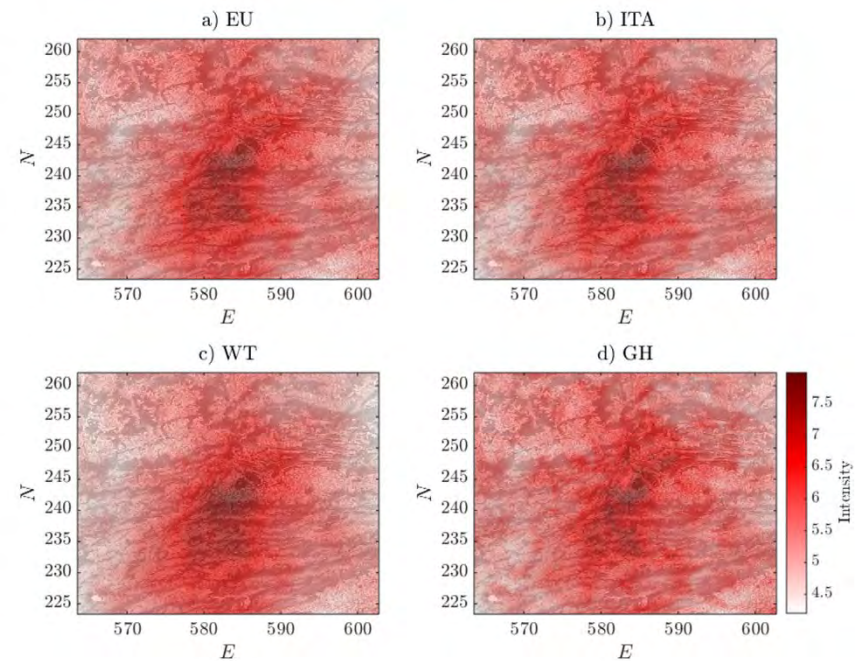
Haute-Sorne DGE risk analysis validation

- Benchmarking of Haute-Sorne DGE risk analysis (in Matlab, R, Python OpenQuake)
- Aggregate probabilistic risk curves corrected for spatial correlation aspects

Local losses & individual risk

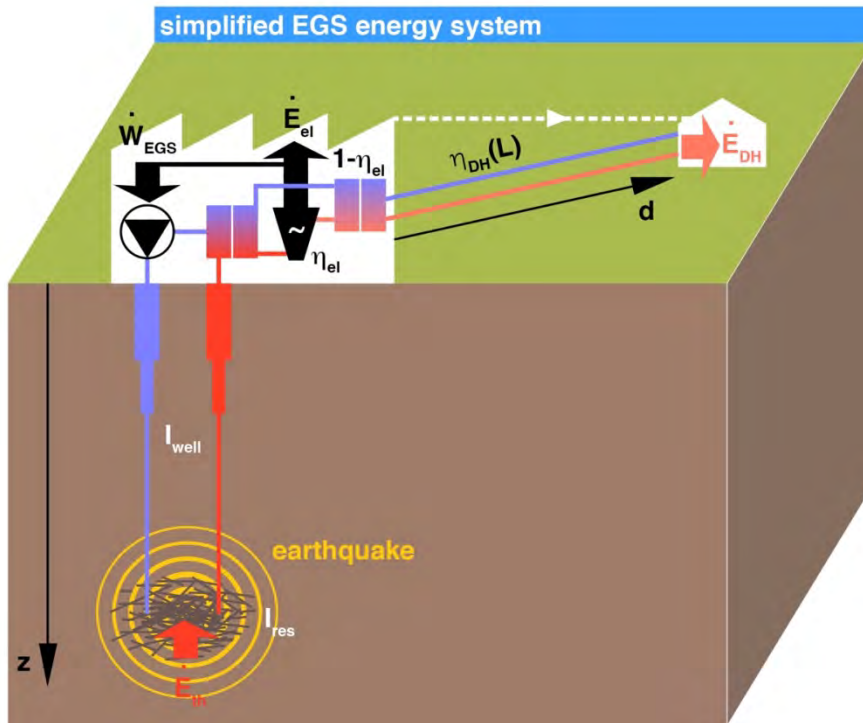


Aggregate losses via simulations



Broccardo et al., to be submitted

DGE energy/risk governance meta-model



Mignan et al., injecting seismic risk mitigation measures into the Levelized Cost Of Electricity of Enhanced Geothermal Systems, in revision

- *Energy model*: analytical, both electricity and heat production modelled
- *Economic model*: LCOE reformulated to include “cost of public safety” (financial losses linked to seismic risk mitigation, such as loss of injection well during TLS)
- *Seismic risk model*: Probabilistic, safety-norm in risk space, safety-norm-based TLS
- *Behavioural model*: Cumulative Prospect Theory to model risk/loss aversion
- Maps optimal trade-off between public safety (via norm) & energy safety (via LCOE spatial minimization) to improve governance

Identifying spaces of participation

- Research with the GEothermie 2020 program
- Worked on the different implicit assumptions about what is participation
- 6 focus groups with inhabitants and participatory observation management meetings
- Result indicate that program managers see participation as classical formats of information provision and site visits;
- Invited/internal participation that is exclusive is important in managers' view.
- Focus group participants see information provision as one important format
- They often referred to individual actions and awareness on an individual level.

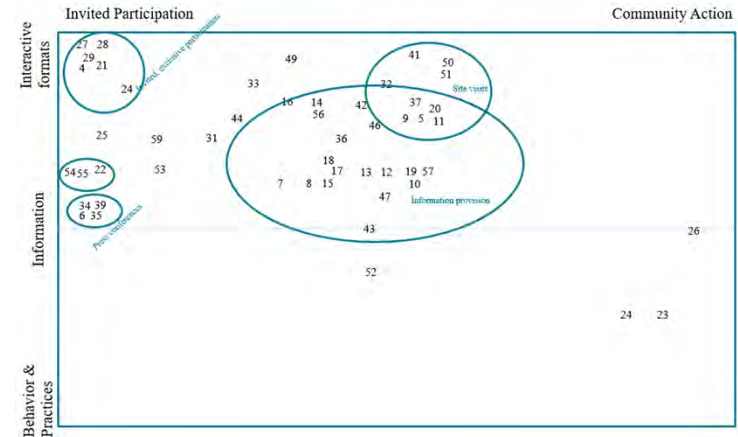


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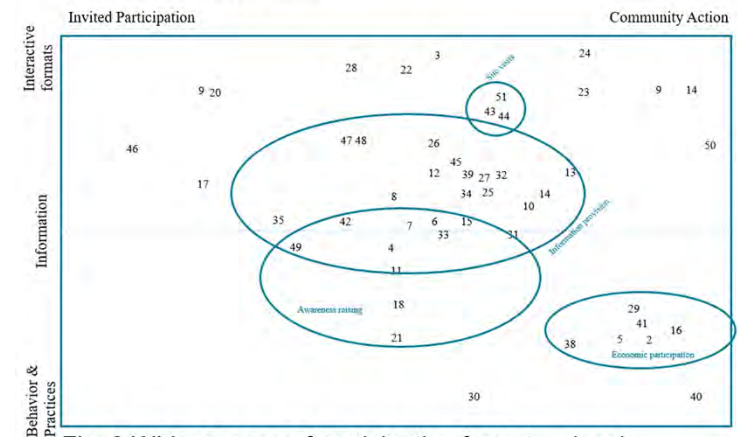
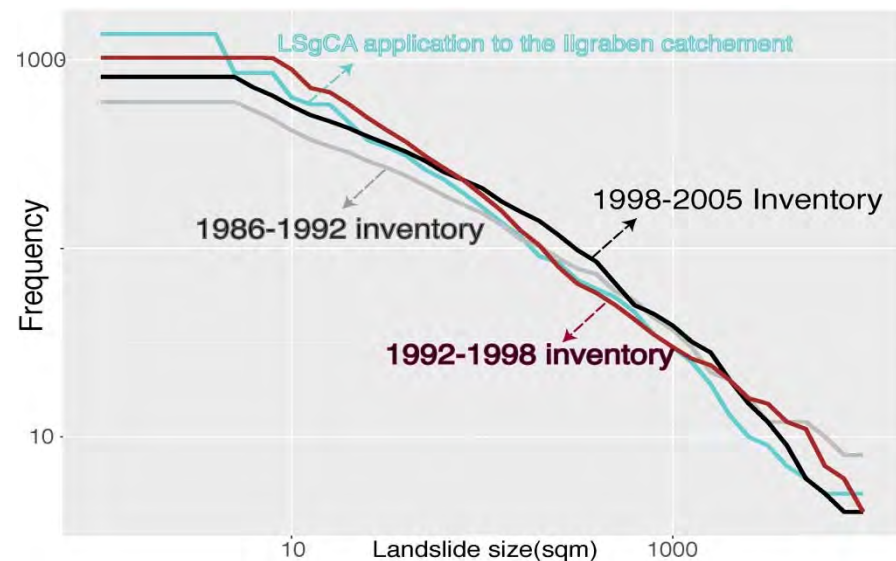
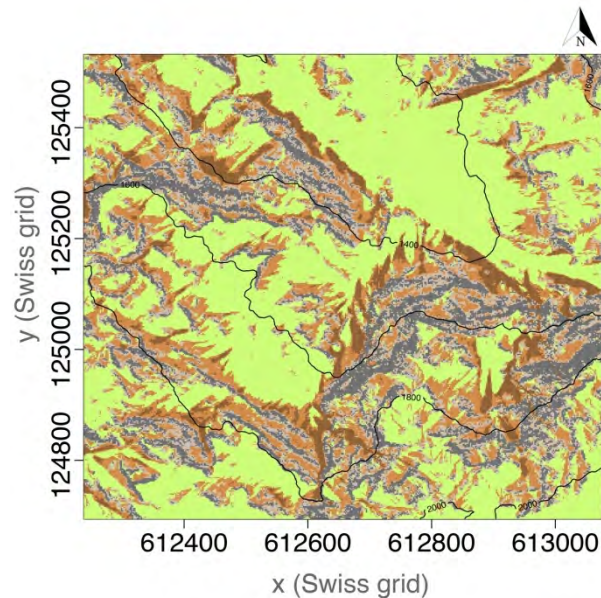


Fig. 2 Wider spaces of participation formats – local inhabitants' perspective

Landslide risk model in Alpine context

- Cellular Automaton for landslide initiation and propagation tested in simulated fractal topographies & retrieves the same power law scaling as literature
- Application to Alpine context with frequency-size distribution refined for hazard

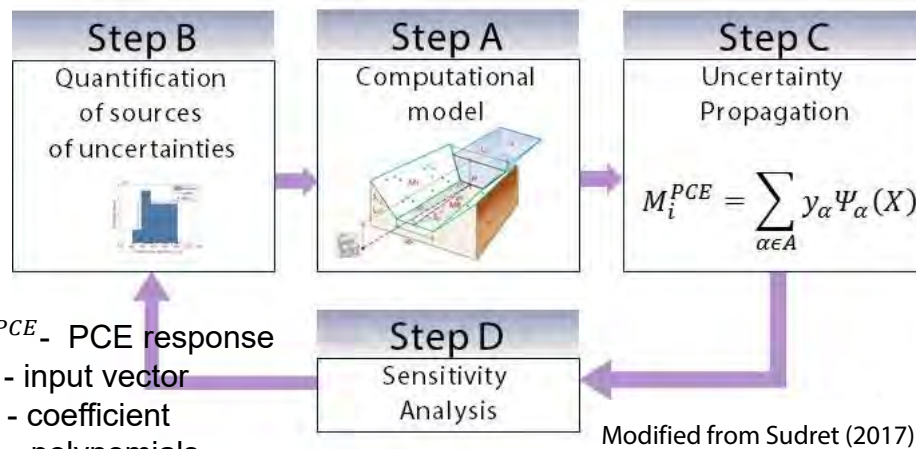


Jafarimanesh et al., Origin of the power-law exponent in the landslide frequency-size distribution, in revision

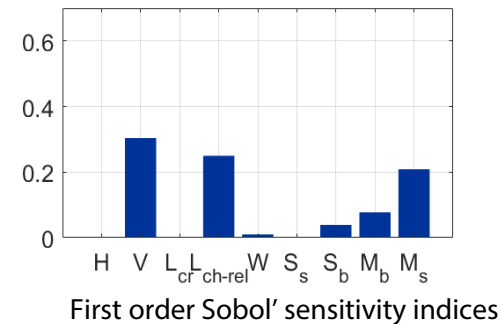
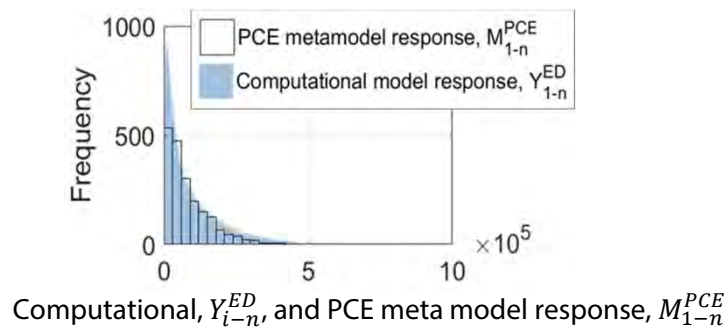
Jafarimanesh et al., Application to the Swiss Alps of the Landslide Generic Cellular Automaton, in prep.

Uncertainty Quantification(UQ) in the Modeling of Dam-Break Consequences

- **Metamodeling for UQ and sensitivity analysis** of consequences of the potential **failure of a hydropower dam**, with particular focus on **relevant Swiss conditions**;

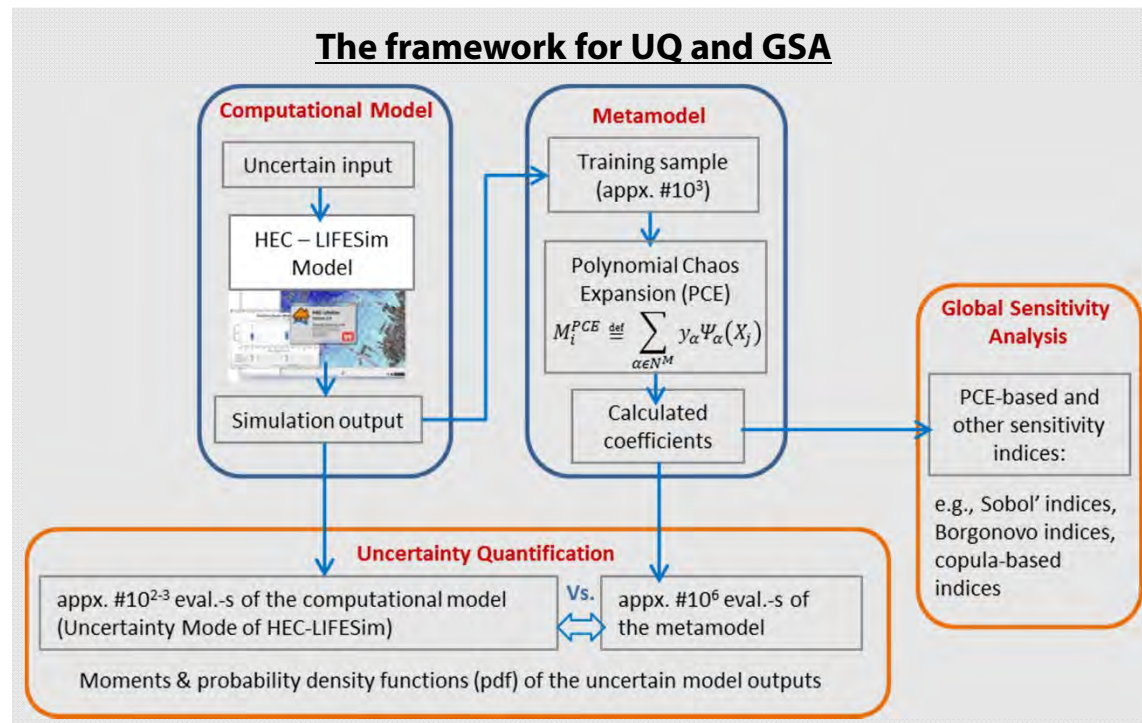


- **The metamodel** of the computational model was built using the **polynomial chaos expansion (PCE) technique** on the experimental design of only **2,000 sample points**;
- **10⁶ realizations** of the **PCE metamodel** helped to build distributions describing the **variability of the model outputs** (see below examples for the peak discharge, Q_{peak});
- **No additional sampling** was required to calculate **Sobol' sensitivity indices**.



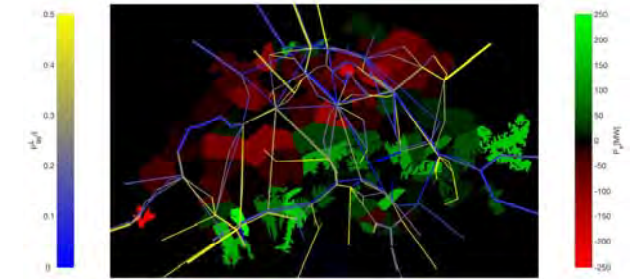
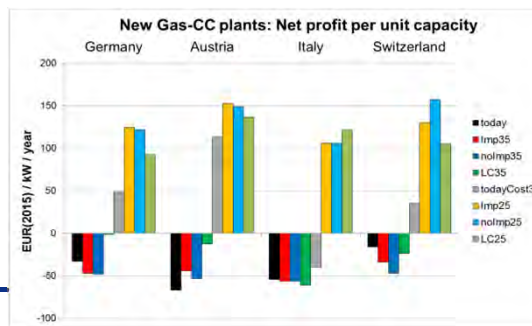
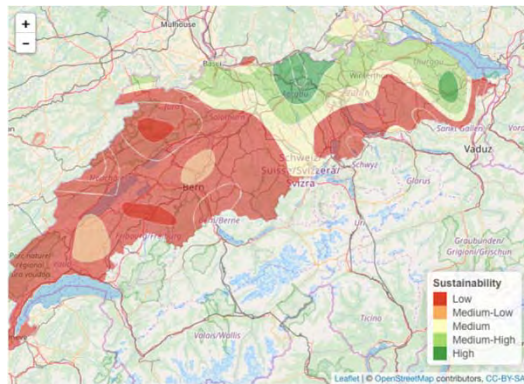
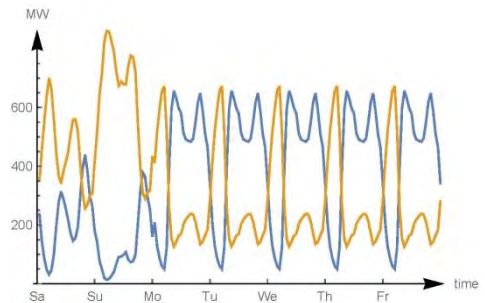
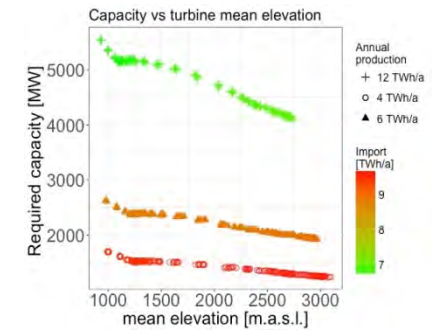
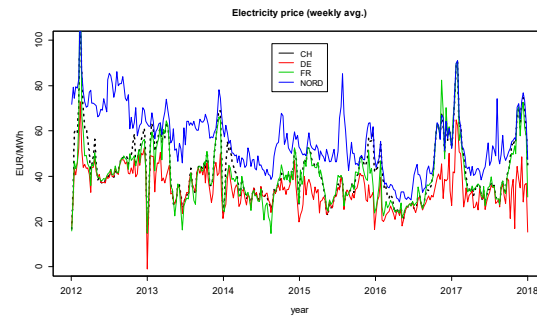
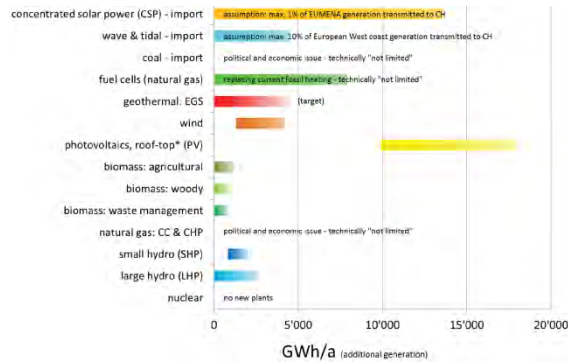
Kalinina et al. (in prep.)

Quantitative Assessment of Uncertainties and Sensitivities in Life Loss estimates due to an Instantaneous Dam Break



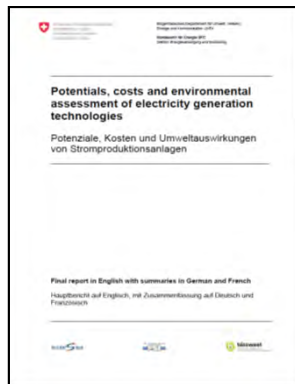
- Adapt and integrate the HEC-LIFESim life-loss (LL) modeling tool with a metamodeling approach, including UQ and GSA.
- Application to a hypothetical, instantaneous dam break with conditions relevant for CH.

T4.2 – Global Observatory of Electricity Resources



Potential, Costs and Environmental Effects of Electricity Generation Technologies

- **Consistent evaluation of electricity generation technologies that are potentially relevant for Swiss supply until 2050**
- **Funded by** SFOE and SCCER SoE; **Additional contributions from** SCCER Biosweet
- **Report supports:** «Energieperspektiven 2017» and SFOE technology monitoring
- Final report including executive summary with technology “fact sheets”.
<https://www.psi.ch/ta/PublicationTab/Final-Report-BFE-Project.pdf>
- Synthesis Report: compact overview of results most important for CH.
http://www.bfe.admin.ch/php/modules/publikationen/stream.php?extlang=en&name=en_854880113.pdf
- SCCER SoE Blog: “Can renewables fill the power gap?”



Can renewables fill the power gap?

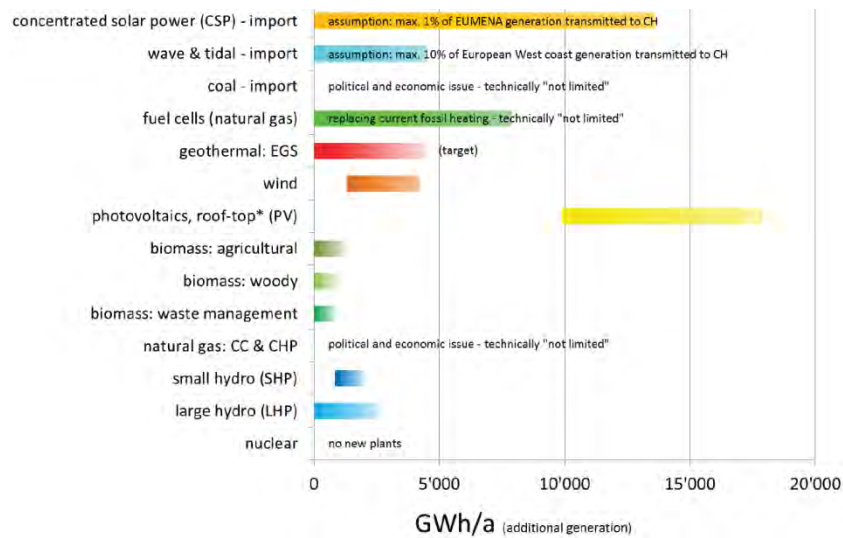


April 2018 - by Christian Bauer

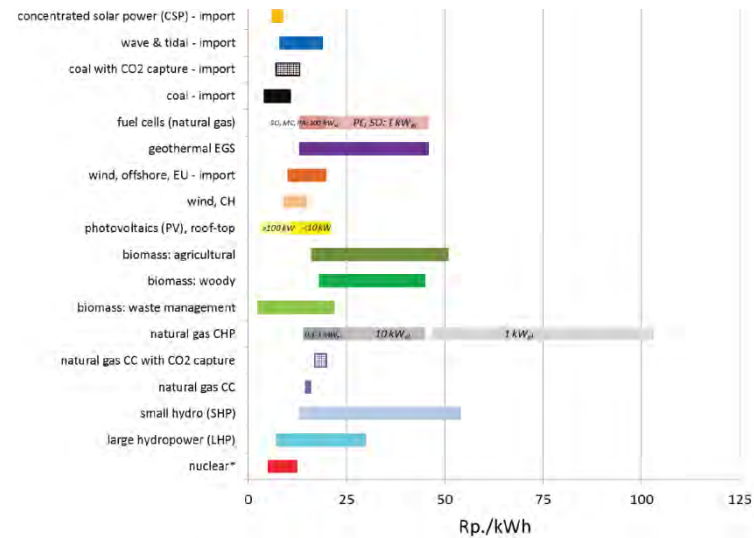
Sooner or later Switzerland must get by without nuclear power plants. This has been determined by the adoption of the Energy Strategy 2050. But how can the power gap be filled? Is there enough space and acceptance for photovoltaic installations and wind turbines in Switzerland, or will we have to import electricity from abroad? How much will the alternatives cost and what effects will they have on the environment? The Paul Scherrer Institute (PSI) has recently attempted to answer these and other questions for the Swiss Federal Office of Energy (SFOE).

Potential, Costs and Environmental Effects of Electricity Generation Technologies

Potentials for additional generation & supply



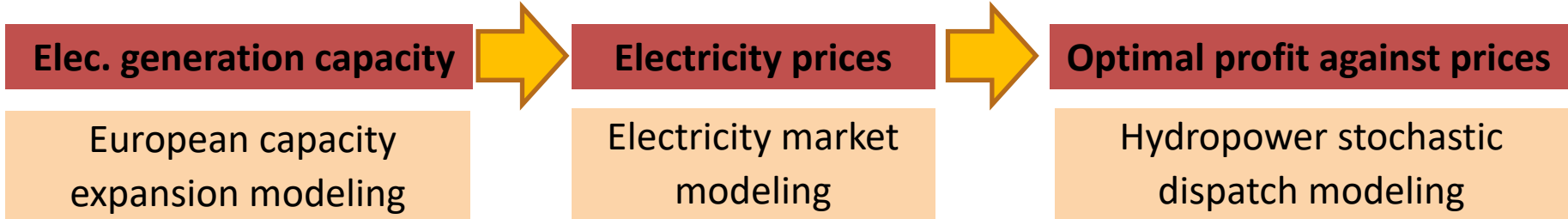
LCOE in year 2050



Bauer et al. (2017)

- Key input to JA Scenario & Modeling for several modeling teams
- Update of current electricity generation costs (until Jan 2019)
- Similar analysis will be carried out for electricity storage technologies

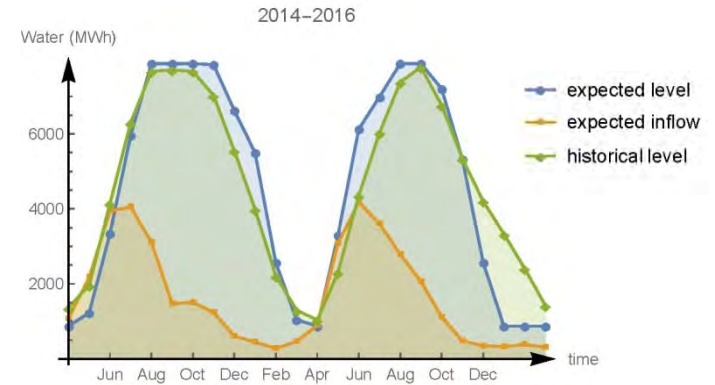
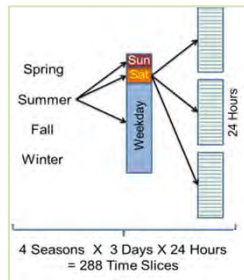
Modeling Activities of Energy Economic Group (PSI)



- Long-term capacity expansion in Europe under policy scenarios
- Scope: CH+ EU

- Future wholesale price ranges under policy scenarios
- Scope: CH + surrounding countries

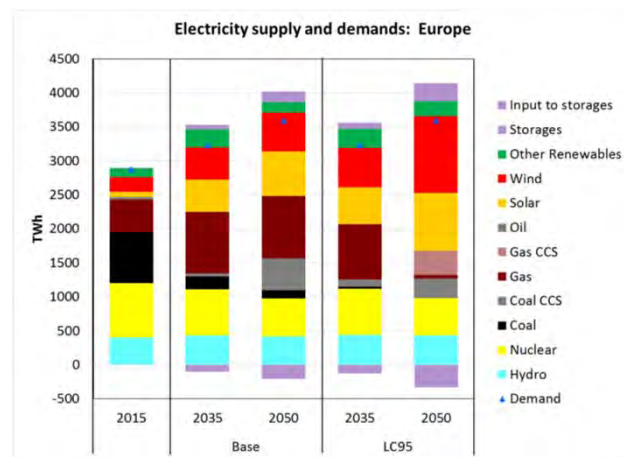
- Optimal production and pumping thresholds under exogenous prices
- Scope: Single utility



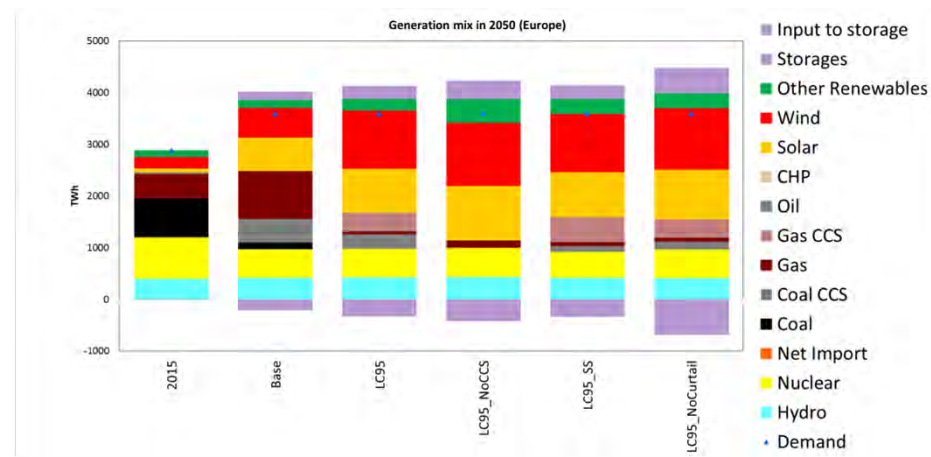
EU production capacity expansion modeling

- **Multi region, cost-optimization model of electricity system of Europe: Long time horizon (2050), hourly time resolution (typical days)**
- **Near-term EU energy polices implemented (with new electricity storage options)**

Electricity supply in 2015, 2035, and 2050



Electricity supply 2050 across scenarios



- **Gas power** becomes transitional technology in short-/mid-term
- **Baseline scenario:** EU polices reduce power sector's CO₂ emission in 2050 by 60% (w.r.t. 2010)
- **Further decarbonization** requires high share of renewable (> 40% of generation) and gas-based CCS technology. In 2050, the new renewables require 250-450 TWh (=5-10% of electricity load) shifted daily by **storage with 125-355 GW capacity**

Fully Renewable Swiss Power System

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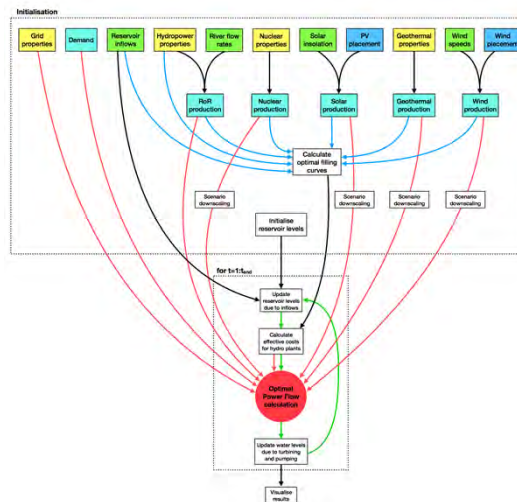
Strategic Grid 2025



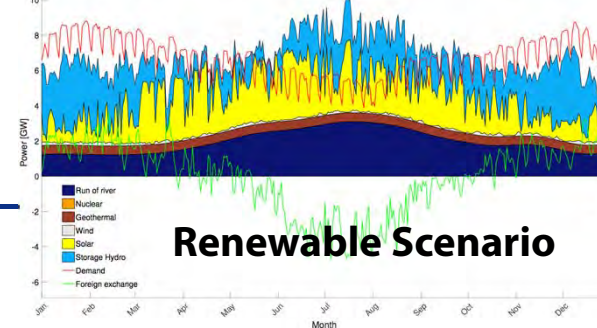
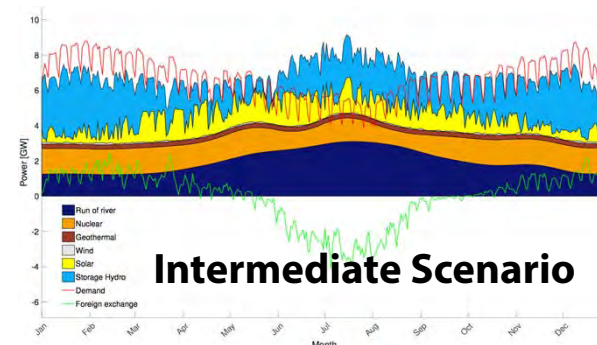
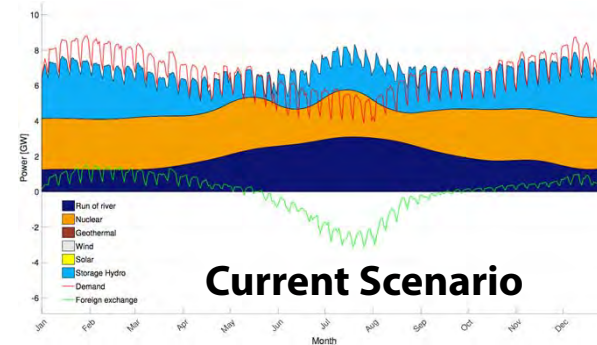
Renewable Placement



Algorithm: Match Supply and Demand



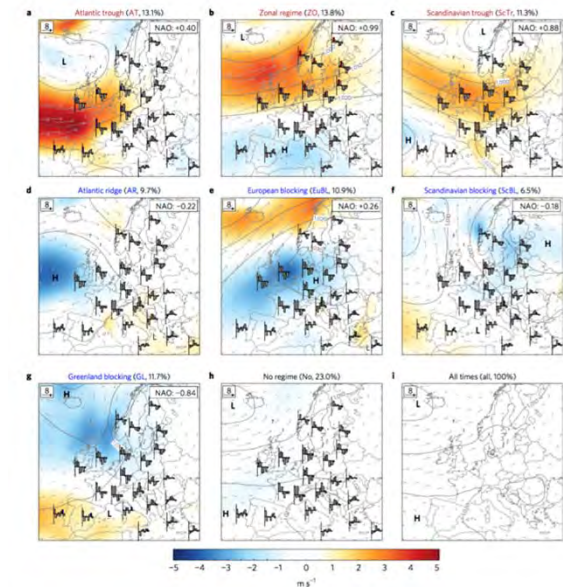
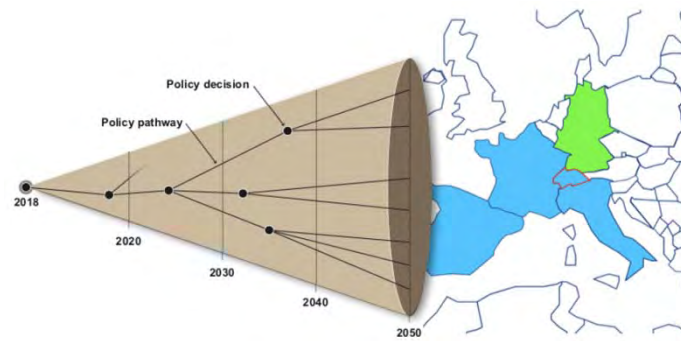
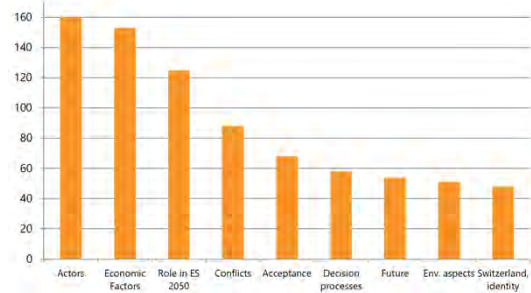
Results: Generation and Demand



Bartlett et al. (2018)

- Switzerland has the resources to be fully renewable.
- Transmission grid may be similarly or less stressed with increasing renewable penetration.
- Large scale foreign exchange or significant new storage facilities would be required.
- Alpine solar and wind resources could play a significant role in a future renewable Switzerland.

T4.3 – Socio-Economic-Political Drivers



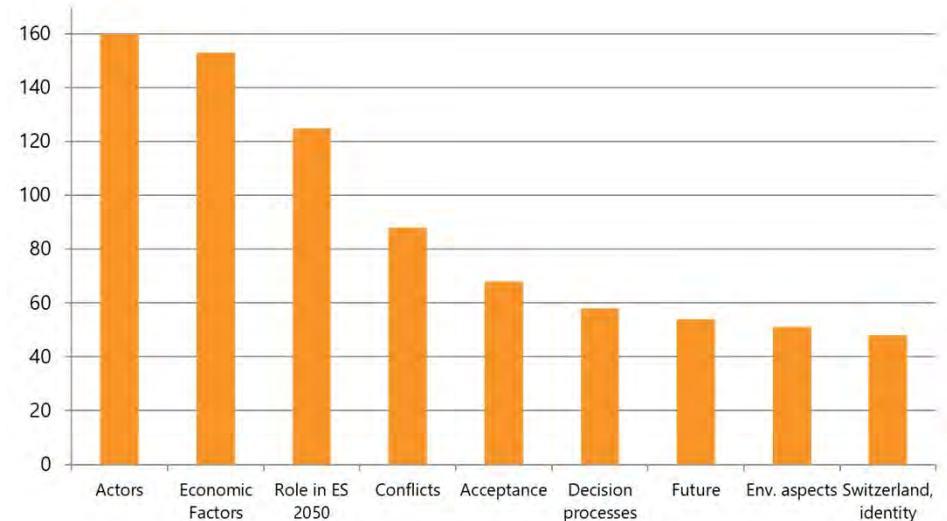
Framing HP in Swiss Newspapers

- Media analysis in collaboration with ZHAW
- Complementing media analysis on DGE
- Providing a basis to test impacts of media frames on public acceptance
- Analysis completed

First results

- Predominantly framed as an economic issue
- Main actors are operators and federal offices
- Technical risk and periglacial dams are non issues

Most frequent topics in relationship to HP (n=170)



Cantonal views on challenges to HP

- Collaboration with Uni Basel
- Assess the challenges encountered by cantons to expand HP
- Qualitative interviews with 9 Cantonal officers in charge of HP (covering 83% of Swiss HP production)
- Qualitative content analysis
- Analysis ongoing

First results

- Goal conflicts between BFE and BAFU appears as the most limiting factor for HP
- Economic issues are perceived as conjunctural
- Cantons have little to no leverage to plan for HP
- They do not see wider public engagement as necessary. Information is enough
- Increasing discussions with operators about maintenance and safety costs.

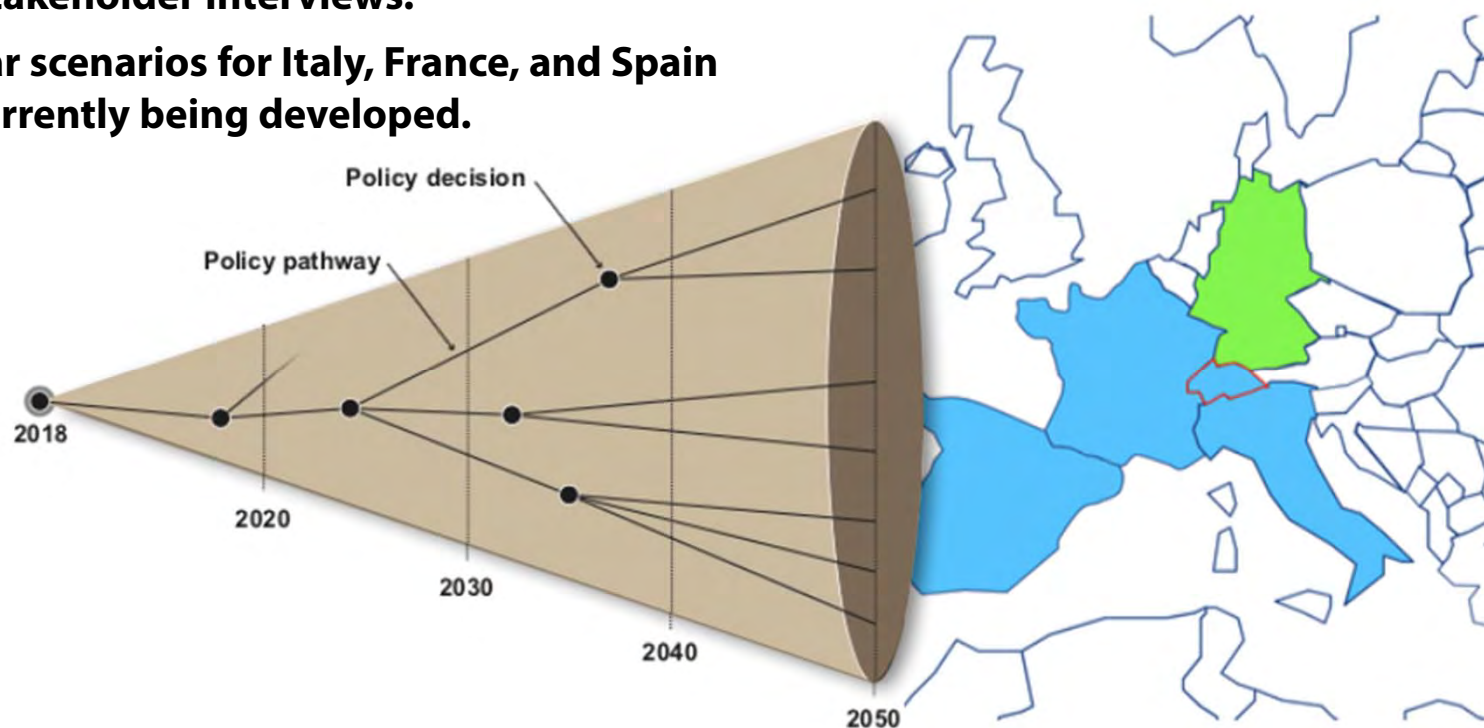
Case study Lago Bianco

Case study to assess stakeholder engagement during the concessioning process of the Lago Bianco pump-storage dam

- Collaboration with University of Geneva (not JA CREST partner)
- Social network analysis (SNA) to assess nature of relationships of actors involved in the participatory process that led to the re-design of the project
- SNA completed with qualitative interviewing to identify the type of resources (legal, financial, expertise, legitimacy, social capital...) used by actors to assert their position
- Data collection is currently ongoing.

Policy Pathways

- The Climate Policy group at ETH is analysing the value of the flexibility that hydropower provides, as this depends on the policy pathways in neighbouring and nearby countries.
- So far, they have developed representative scenarios for Germany, based on literature review and stakeholder interviews.
- Similar scenarios for Italy, France, and Spain are currently being developed.



WP4 – Poster Pitches

- 1. Arnaud Mignan (ETHZ): Increase of the EGS levelized cost of electricity, or the financial cost of public safety**
- 2. Matteo Spada (PSI); A preliminary sustainability analysis of potential areas for deep geothermal energy (DGE) systems: Application to Switzerland**
- 3. Michael Lehning (WSL/EPFL): Heterogeneity of Swiss environmental condition and its possible impact on the electrical system**

→ WP4 has a total of 31 posters

What is the price of electricity produced by EGS plants?

- Economic models give price/kWh
- None consider the cost of seismic risk mitigation measures
- Seismic risk is the greatest problem that the EGS industry is facing
- **“Increase of the EGS LCOE, or the financial cost of public safety”**
 - DGE risk governance framework
 - Meta-model (electricity + heat production, economic model, seismic risk model, behavioural model, safety-norm-based TLS)
 - LCOE as main metric

Increase of the EGS levelized cost of electricity, or the financial cost of public safety

Arnaud Mignan, Dimitrios Karnouvis, Marco Broccardo

Rationale

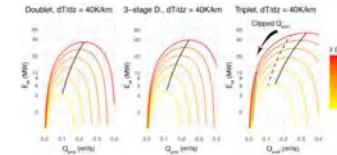
A multitude of models exist that compute the levelized cost of electricity (LCOE) for Enhanced Geothermal Systems but none take into account the costs associated with induced seismicity, although seismic risk remains the main problem facing the EGS industry today.



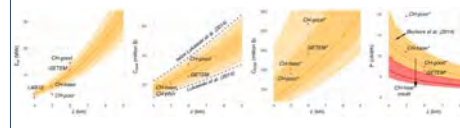
We present a meta-model that quantifies the LCOE taking into account the “cost of public safety”, i.e., the cost of mitigation measures against induced seismicity. This is implemented within a Deep Geothermal Energy (DGE) seismic risk governance framework where a trade-off must be decided between public safety & energy safety.

A meta-model for EGS LCOE computation

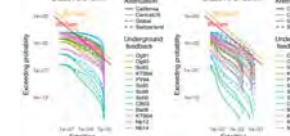
(1) *Energy model*: Composed of EGS, conversion cycle & district heating | Fully analytical | Optimizes injection production rate Q_{prod} to maximize electricity produced | Heat loss based on exponential decline along supply pipe



(2) *Economic model*: LCOE = tot. energy produced / tot. costs | Function of distance d to EGS plant because of heat loss | In agreement with existing models (MIT GETEM, TA-Swiss CH*, etc.)



(3) *Seismic risk model*: Computes induced seismicity risk [1] to be compared to safety norm (individual risk IR in micromort μmt) | Tectonic maximum magnitude assumed | Same method for traffic light system (TLS) [2,3]



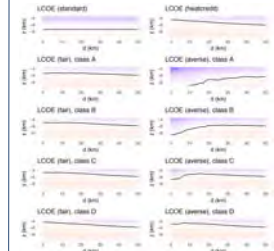
(4) *Behavioural model*: probability p of safety norm failure = probability reservoir stimulation would be stopped by TLS = probability of losing the injection well for foreseeing future | LCOE translated into null expectation following Bernoulli trial (P : price, E : energy, C : costs) | Cumulative Prospect Theory (CPT) risk aversion & loss aversion included (π : distorted probability, v : utility function) [4]

$$(1 - p)(P_{air}E - C) + p(-C_{TL}) = 0 = \mathbb{E}[X] = (1 - p)x_1 + px_2$$

$$\pi^+ v^+(P_{overse}E - C) + \pi^- v^-(-C_{TL}) = 0 = \mathbb{E}[v(x)]$$

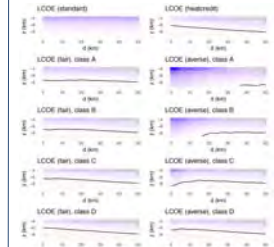
Results

(1) Mitigating seismic risk during reservoir stimulation (via TLS):



- Black curve: break-even price, red: competitive price, for building classes A to D
- Impact of safety norm limited on the fair price
- However the small probability p of losing a well leads to risk aversion, which amplifies the price
- Benefit of heat credit at small distances d from EGS plant lost by cost of seismic risk mitigation
- Best EGS plant siting = $d(\min \text{LCOE})$

(2) Mitigating seismic risk during production phase (via Q_{prod} clipping):



- Strong impact of Q_{prod} clipping (to avoid any induced seismicity) on LCOE
- Depends on local stress field, which is very uncertain
- The safety-norm-based TLS could also be used during the production phase

Discussion

(1) Meta-model as regulatory sandbox to improve DGE risk governance & regulation (see poster by Mignan & Seferovic, SCCER SoE-CREST joint activity)

(2) Seismic risk better controlled, via the use of a safety norm. However the seismic risk being stochastic in nature, the safety norm can only be respected on average

(3) Public acceptance could be improved via such a transparent approach & their understanding of the trade-off between public safety & energy safety

(4) How to decide from the public-safety/energy-safety trade-off?

- Public-safety prone (zero-risk policy): LCOE becomes too high & EGS industrial potential collapses
- Energy-safety prone (high risk tolerance): EGS projects prosper
- Must find right balance putting it into the perspective of the climate change existential risk & the need to quickly find energy solutions

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Which are the most sustainable areas for DGE in Switzerland?

- Previous sustainability assessments of new renewables in Switzerland did not consider the spatial variability of criteria (e.g. economic, environmental and social).
- However, it is of great importance for DGE.
- “A Preliminary Sustainability Analysis of Potential Areas for DGE Application to Switzerland”
 - Spatial Multi-Criteria Decision Analysis (sMCDA) framework
 - Stochastic classification to rank 32 areas based on 11 indicators for 2 hypothetical types of DGE plants in Switzerland.
 - Different weighting profiles can influence performance of both plant type and area.

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A Preliminary Sustainability Analysis of Potential Areas for Deep Geothermal Energy (DGE) Systems: Application to Switzerland

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Motivation

The aim of this study is to move toward a Multi-Criteria Decision Analysis (MCDA) Tool for Deep Geothermal Energy (DGE) systems in Switzerland. In particular, the scope of this work is to identify the most sustainable area for hypothetical DGE plants in Switzerland using spatial MCDA, which combines Geographical Information Systems (GIS) capabilities with MCDA frameworks. The focus is on the Molasse basin, Rhine Graben, and Jura mountains regions (i.e., not the Alpine region) where most of the Swiss DGE projects are planned. The proposed approach combines spatial information from both explicit data (e.g., heat flow) and calculated ones (e.g., risk indicators, environmental impact indicators, etc.) for specific a priori defined plant characteristics (e.g., capacities, number of drilled wells over lifetime). Results are then presented for different hypothetical power plants.

Method

The sMCDA framework consists of different steps. First, the characteristics of the technology to be used in the sustainability assessment have been selected. In this study, since no running DGE plants exist in Switzerland, two hypothetical power plants based on SCCER-SoE Phase 1 activities are considered (Table 1).

Table 1: Key physical parameters of DGE plant capacity cases considered in this study

Model Assumption	Unit	Doublet Plant	Triplet Plant
Net Plant Capacity	MWe	1.47	2.81
Annual Generation	MWh/year	11849	22703
Life Time	years	20	20
Number of Wells		2	3
Well Depth	km	5	5
Well Life Time	year	20	20

Next, criteria are established to cover all 3 pillars of sustainability (environment, economy and society). Furthermore, indicators are chosen for each criterion based on availability and potential spatial variability (Table 2).

Table 2: Selected criteria and indicators used in this study.

Criteria	Indicators	Unit
Environment	Climate Change	kg CO2 eq to air
	Human Toxicity	kg 1,4-DCB eq to urban air
	Particulate Matter Formation	kg PM10 eq to air
	Water Depletion	m3 (water)
	Metal Depletion	kg Fe eq
Economy	Average Generation Cost	Rp/kWh
Society	Non-seismic Accident Risk	Fatalities/kWh
	Natural Seismic Risk	Ordinal Scale (1-3)
	Induced Seismicity	Flow Rate [l/sec]

Indicators are then quantified for the hypothetical plants in Table 1 and for a set of 32 potential areas defined using Heat Flux (HF) and Natural Seismic Risk maps (<https://map.geo.admin.ch>). Environmental and economic indicator values have been estimated based on the temperature gradient (ΔT) in the area of interest, since ΔT is the ratio between the HF and the thermal conductivity of rocks (on average 3 W/m°C in Switzerland [1]). On the other hand, the non-seismic accident risk indicator considers blow out risk and release of selected hazardous chemicals, which are related to the number of drilled wells [2]. The natural seismic risk indicator is considered in this study as a proxy of social acceptance, meaning that high risk is associated with lower social acceptance of a DGE system. The induced seismicity indicator is estimated based on the flow rate expected for the stimulation (i.e. higher the flow rate, the higher the risk of induced seismicity) for each of the plant capacities considered in this study.

Once the indicators are estimated for the 32 areas in the study, a Stochastic Multi-criteria Acceptability Analysis (SMAA-TRI) [3] has been applied and adapted to the spatial case. The SMAA-TRI algorithm is a classification method, which does not allow compensation between criteria and the weights are considered independent from the measurement scales.

The SMAA-TRI assigns a class of sustainability (e.g., high, medium-high, medium, medium-low, low) to an area in probabilistic terms (Figure 1). It estimates the Class Acceptability Index (CAI), which measures the stability of the assignment to a class in terms of probability for membership in the class. The CAI is driven by the weights of the indicators and according to the cutting level (λ), which gives a measure on how demanding the decision maker is (i.e., lower λ implies that a better class is easier to be reached). In this study, λ are arbitrarily distributed parameters analyzed using 10000 Monte Carlo simulations.

Results

No stakeholder interaction, e.g., through elicitation, has been performed in this study to assess weighting profiles of “real world” stakeholders. Instead, four artificial preference profiles have been defined:

- equal weights at all levels (both criteria and indicators in Table 2), which corresponds to the spirit of sustainability, where all pillars have the same weight.
- three weighting profiles that strongly favor one of the sustainability pillars (weight 80%), whereas the two other are both weighted 10%, and all indicators are equally weighted.

As an example, the results of the profile focusing on the Environment (weight 80%) are shown in Figure 2. For both Doublet and Triplet Plants, the most sustainable areas are the ones in North-East Switzerland. Furthermore, Triplet Plant, in Figure 2b, performs generally better than Doublet Plant, in Figure 2a.

Conclusions

- First application of a spatial MCDA based on SMAA-TRI & GIS, demonstrating its suitability as decision-making tool for deep geothermal energy in Switzerland.
- Rankings of profiles representing equal weighting and focusing on economy are practically the same, for both capacity plants. Generally, areas in NE Switzerland perform best.
- Environment-focused results strongly differ from equal weighting and economic-focused profiles, i.e. Triplet Plant performs generally better than Doublet Plant.
- When focusing on social indicators, results differ from all other profiles with most areas falling into the medium sustainability category, and Triplet Plant performs generally worse than Doublet Plant.

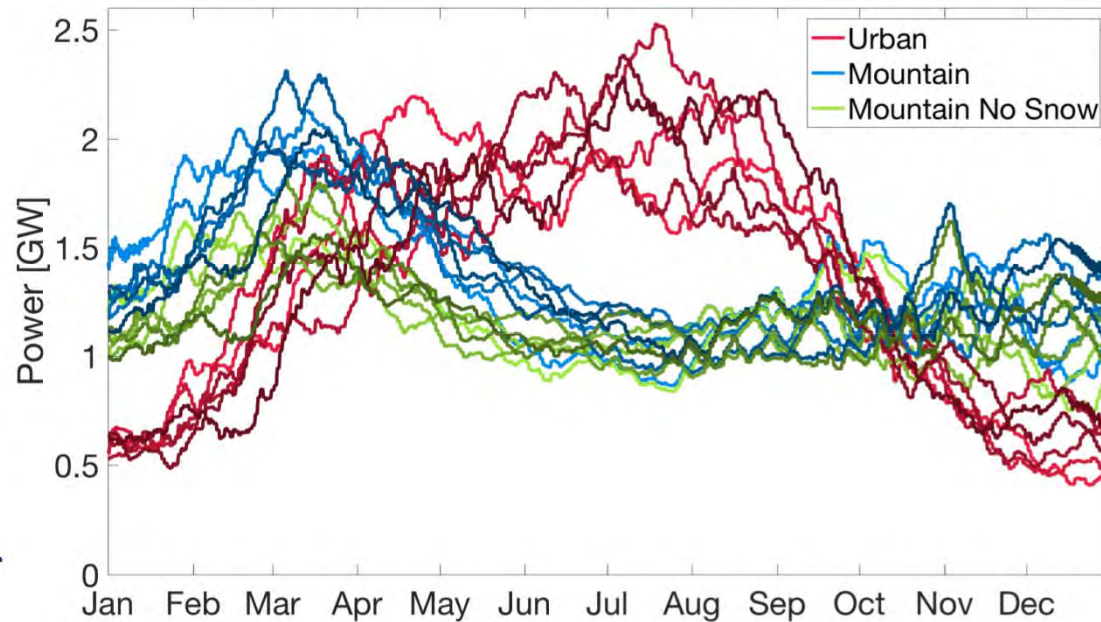
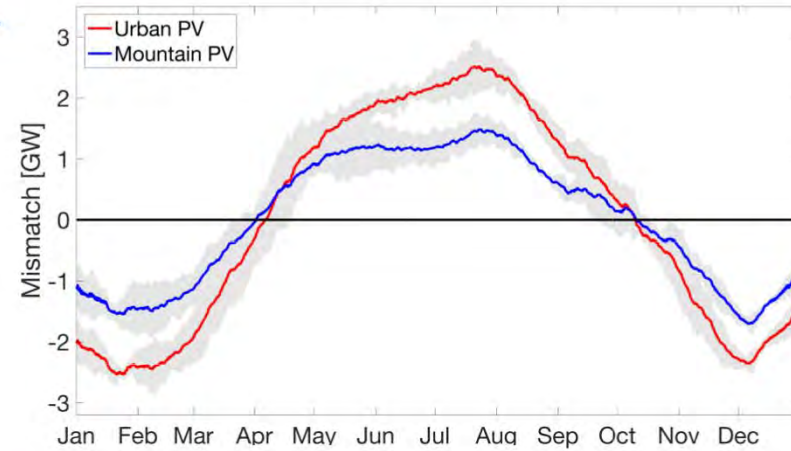
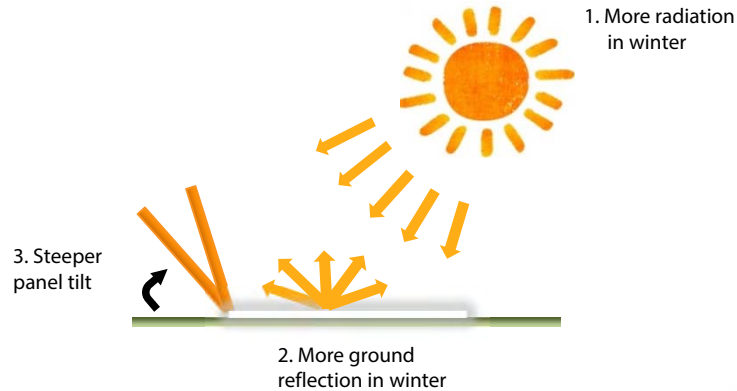
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