

with new large Hydropower!



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Why Hydropower?

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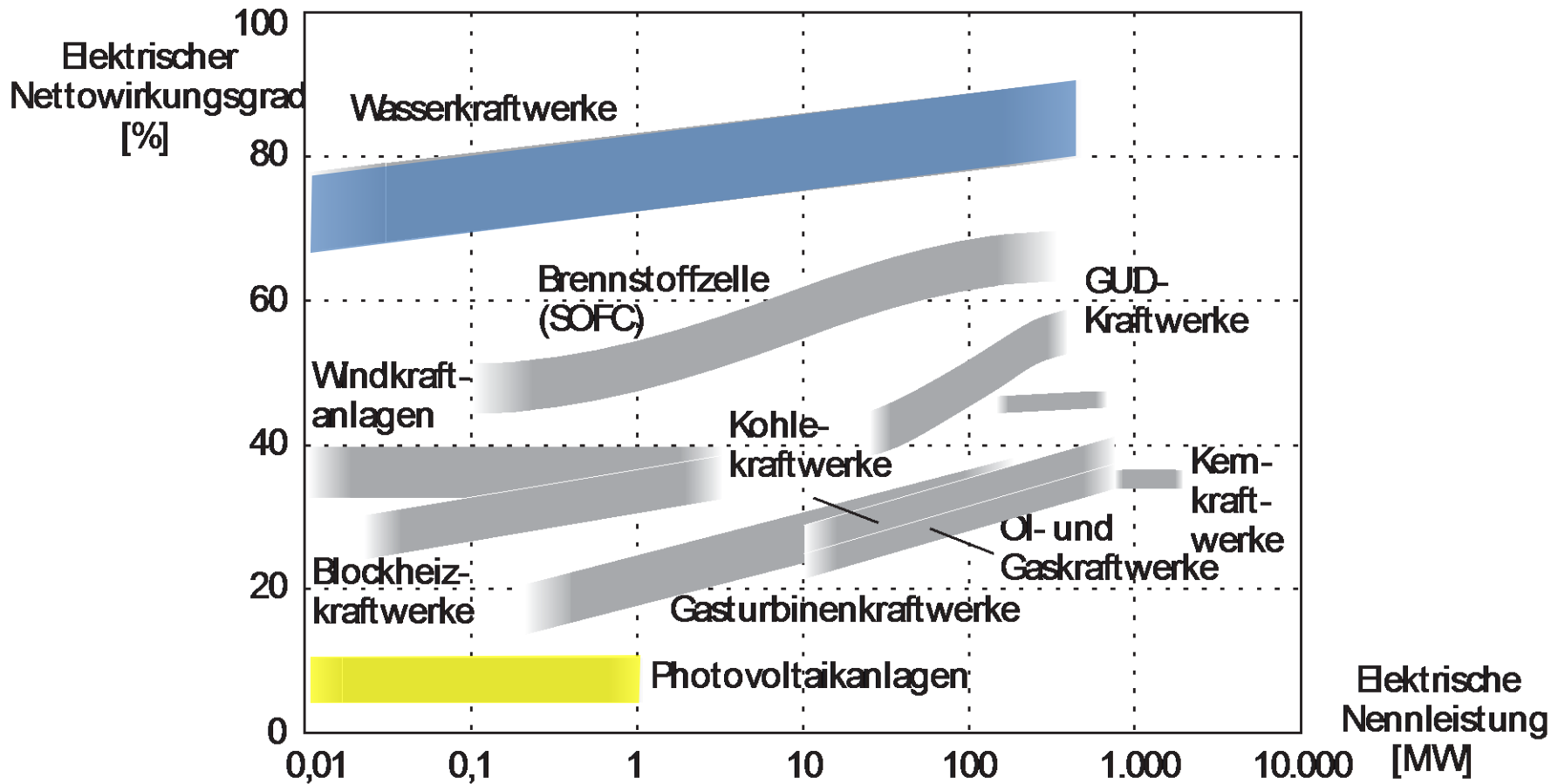


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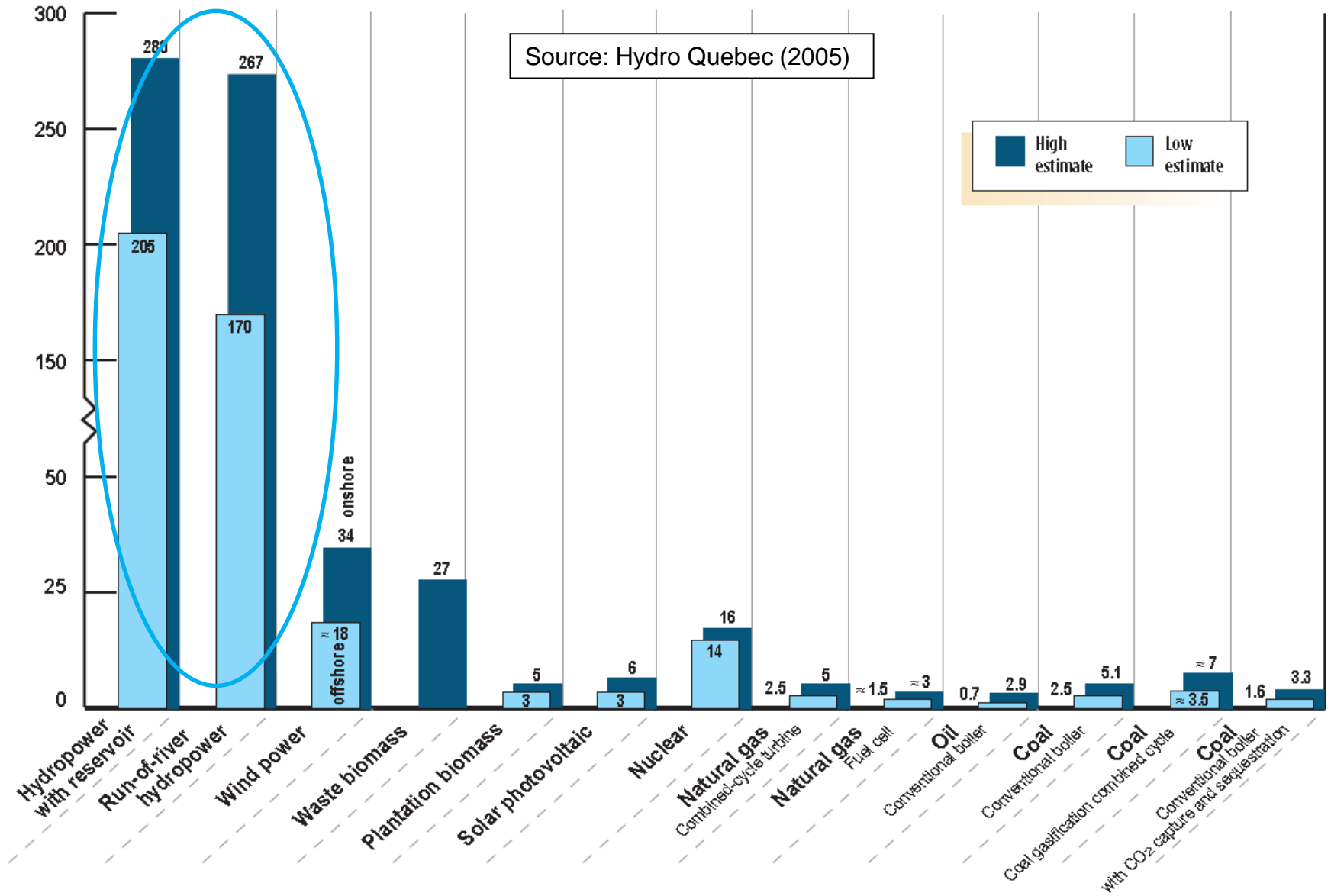
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Energy efficiency

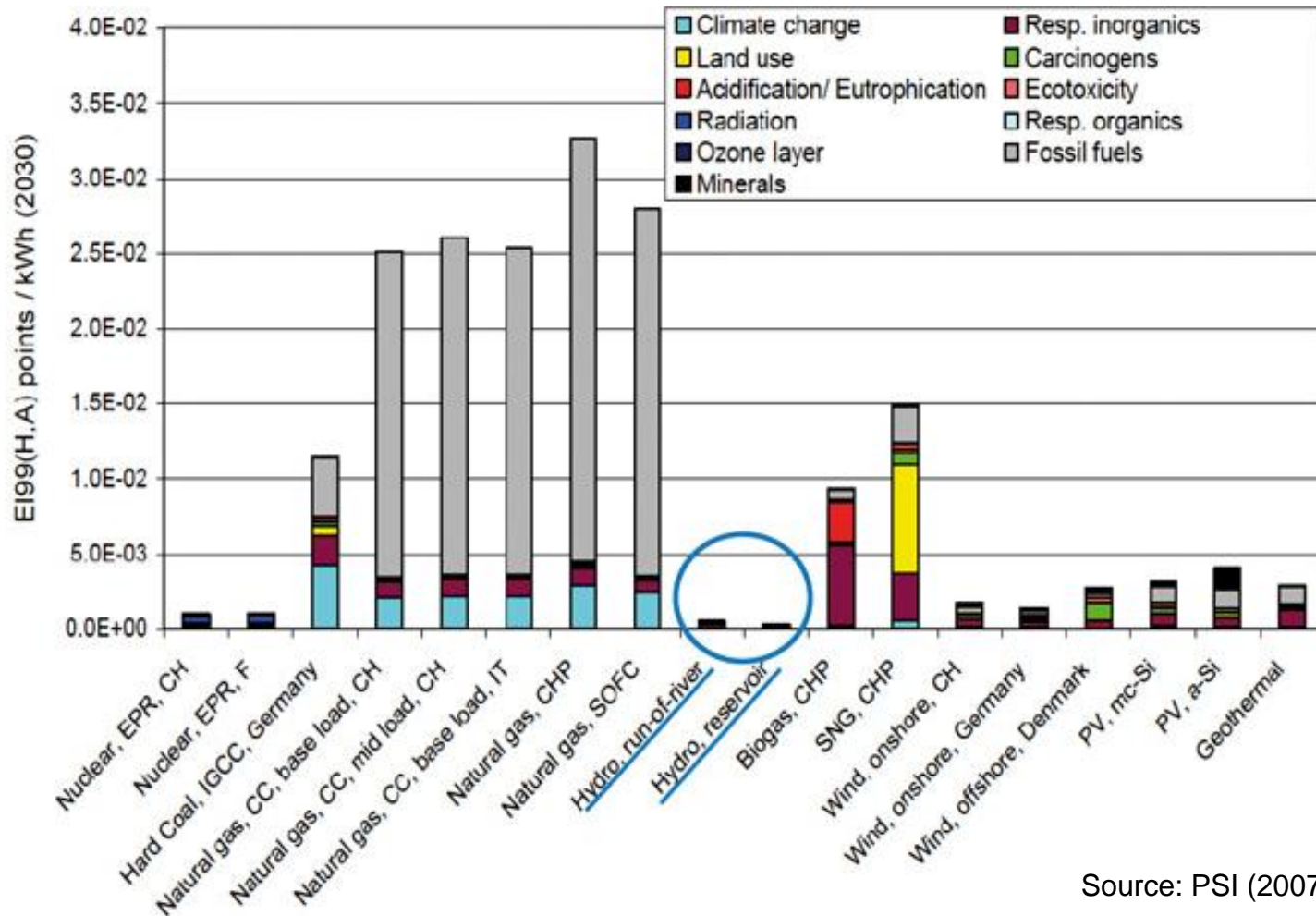


Quelle: Giesecke *et al.* (2014)

Energy payback ratio

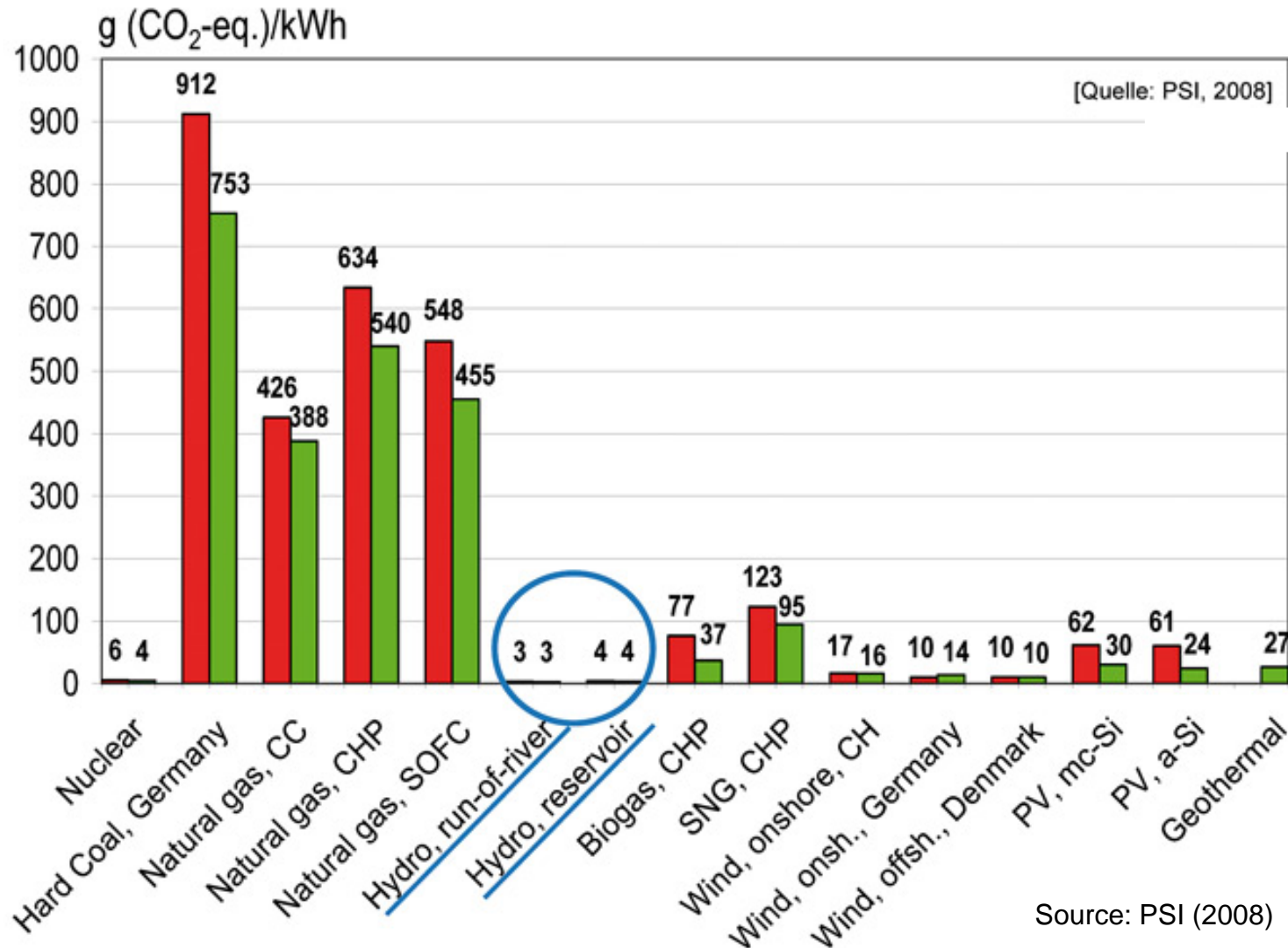


Ecological balance



Source: PSI (2007)

Balance of greenhouse gases



Source: PSI (2008)



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Infrastructure typology

- Per installed capacity
- Per production
- Per ownership
- Per hydraulic-economic role

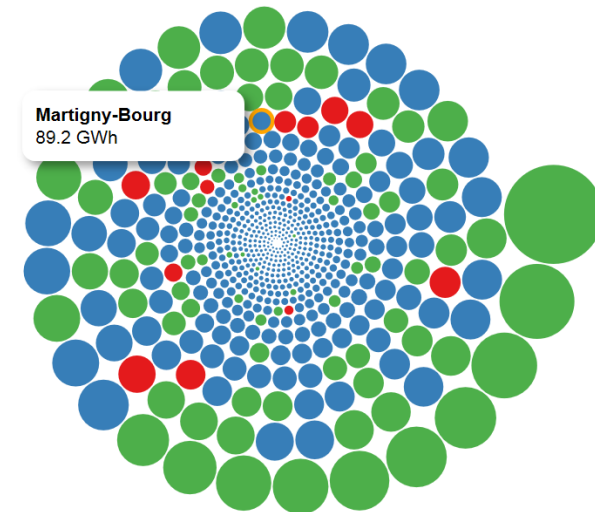
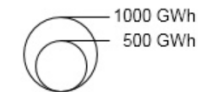
Switzerland's main hydropower plants

All Group by type

Each circle represents a hydropower plant.
The size of the circle reflects the annual electricity production.

Click on a circle for more information.




- River power plant
- Storage plant
- Pump storage plant







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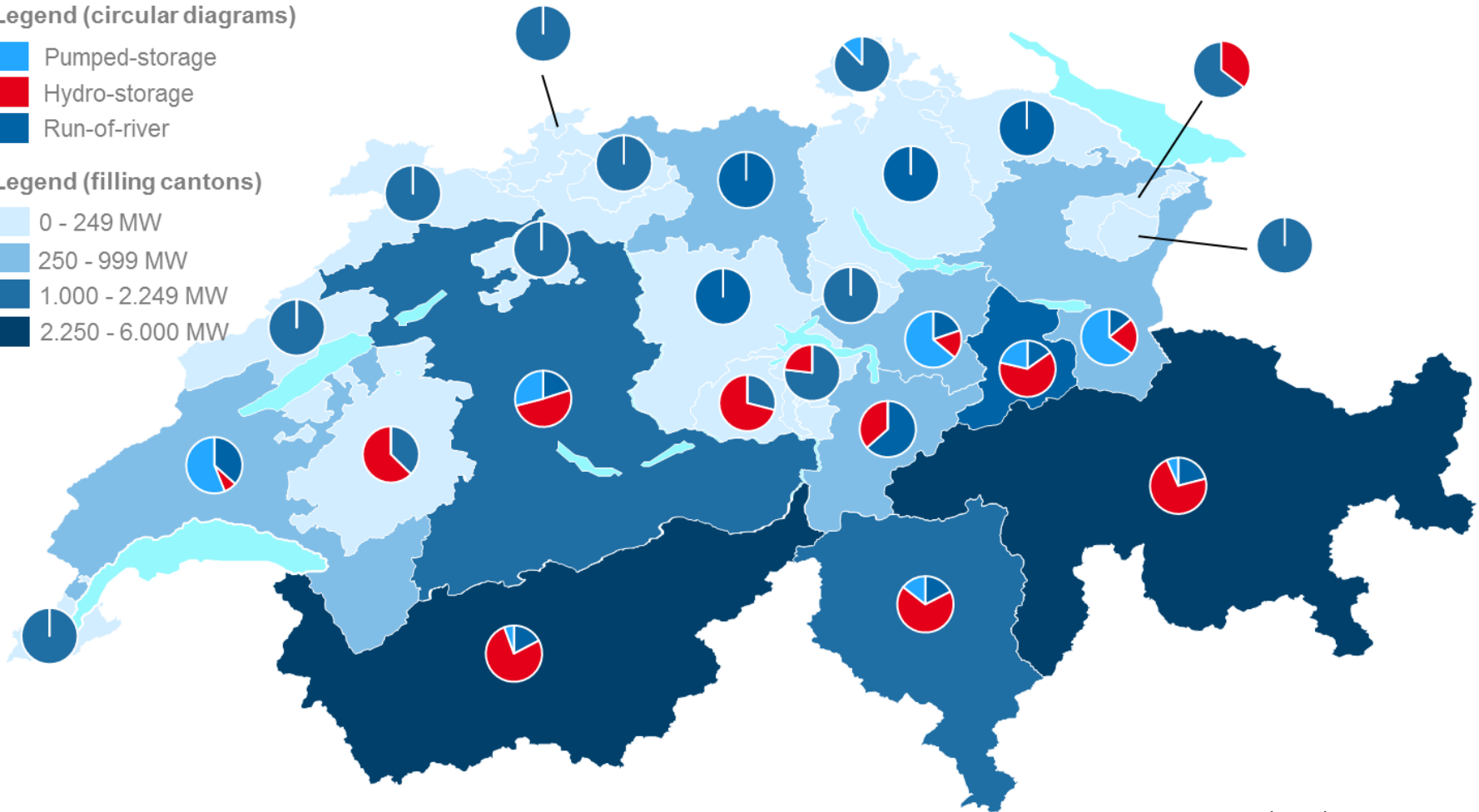
Swiss Hydropower Infrastructure

Legend (circular diagrams)

-  Pumped-storage
-  Hydro-storage
-  Run-of-river

Legend (filling cantons)

-  0 - 249 MW
-  250 - 999 MW
-  1.000 - 2.249 MW
-  2.250 - 6.000 MW

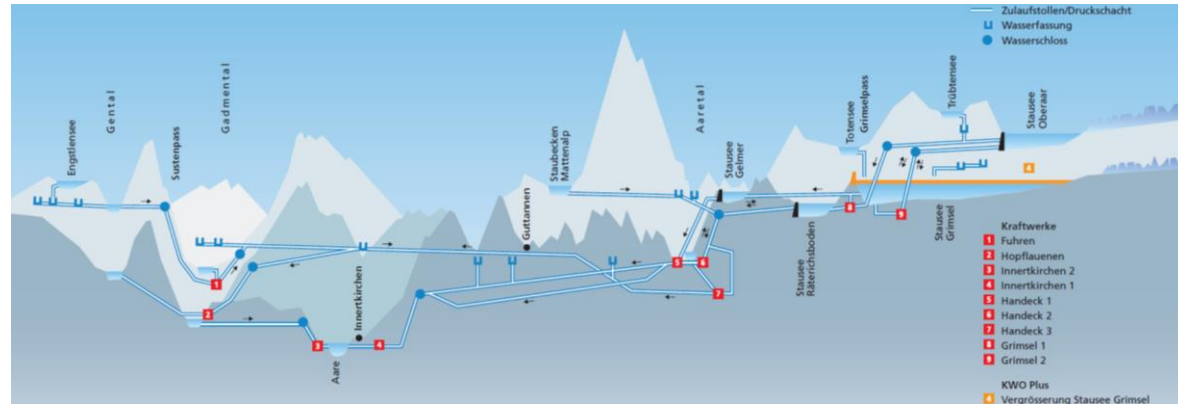
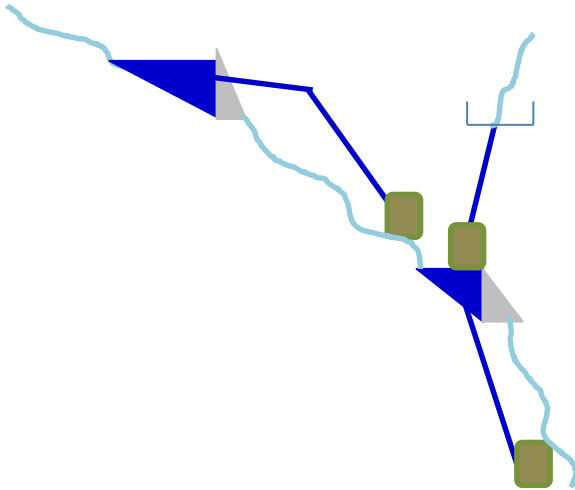


Source: Prognos 2012, based on SFOE 2011

Infrastructure typology (I)

G1

High-head storage



Multi-reservoir multi-HPP system of KW Oberhasli, CH

Storage reservoirs

20 TWh/a

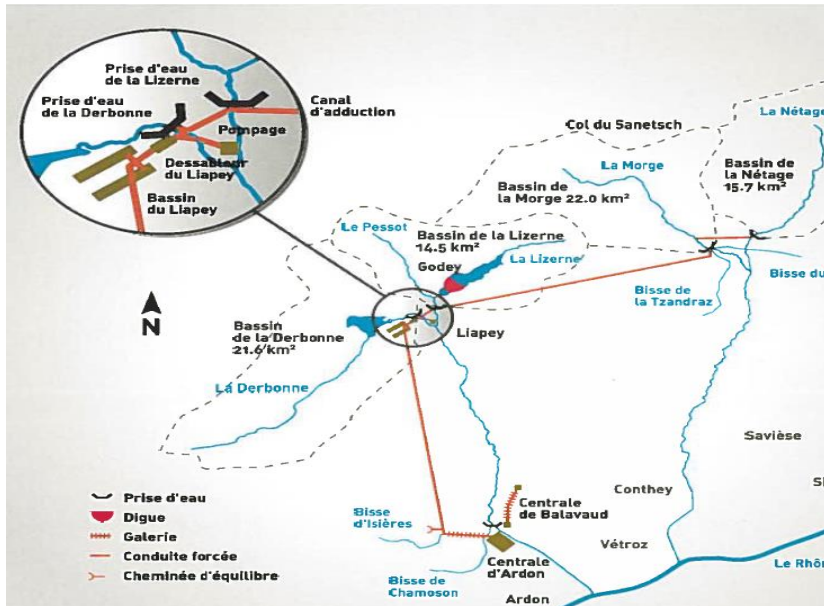
3900 hm³ < > 8.8 TWh

Seasonal, intra-annual

Drainage > Natural Catchment

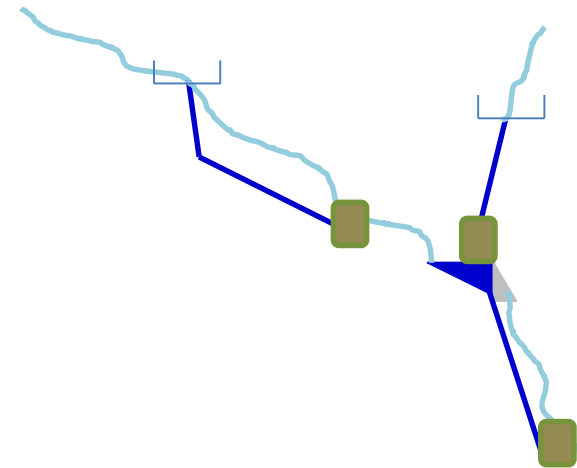
Built > WWII, State back-up

Infrastructure typology (II)



Source: Lizerne et Morges SA, Valais

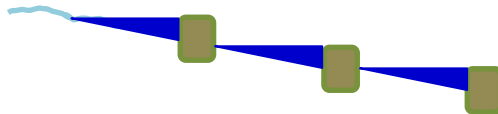
G2 High/mid-head RoR



- Day/weekly small reservoirs
- 3 TWh/a
- Built > 1850s
- Private/local initiative
- If $P < 10$ MW \Rightarrow FiT f/May'08

Infrastructure typology (III)

G3
Low-head RoR



Intra-day shallow reservoirs
16 TWh/a
Built > 1850s
Often power2user initiative
Concession renewals

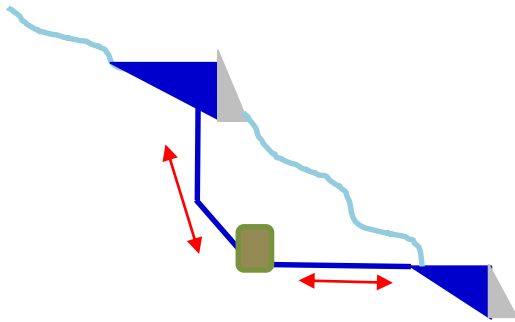


Hydraulic model test at the LCH- EPFL (2009-2010)

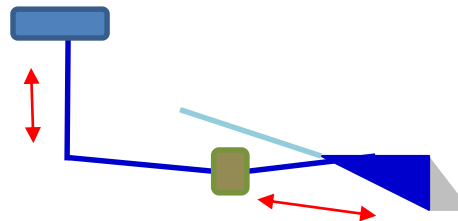
Source: Erneuerung WKW Hagneck, BielerseeKW

Infrastructure typology (IV) / PSP

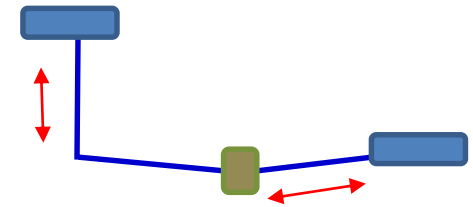
PSP1
Open-loop



PSP2
Semi open/closed-loop



PSP3
Closed PSP

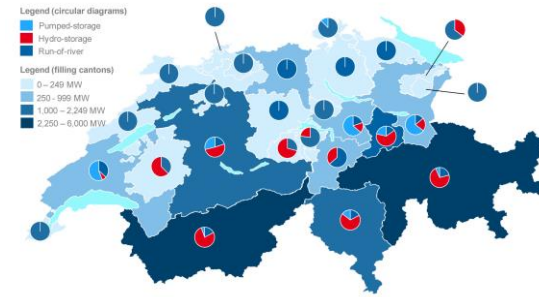


One or two instream reservoirs
 Combined natural/pump flows
 Can be net producers if natural production > P/T balance
 Historically base load compensation > WWII w/State back-up
 Pumping = 2.5 TWh/a
 Now RES compensation and privately developed if business model is feasible

Two off-stream reservoirs
 Net electricity consumer
 Possible worldwide
 Used f/RES compensation
 Privately developed if business model is feasible

Swiss Hydropower 2014

(Sources: electricity statistics FOEN + WASTA)



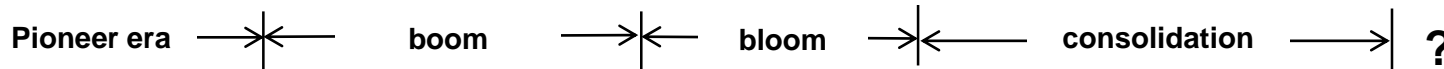
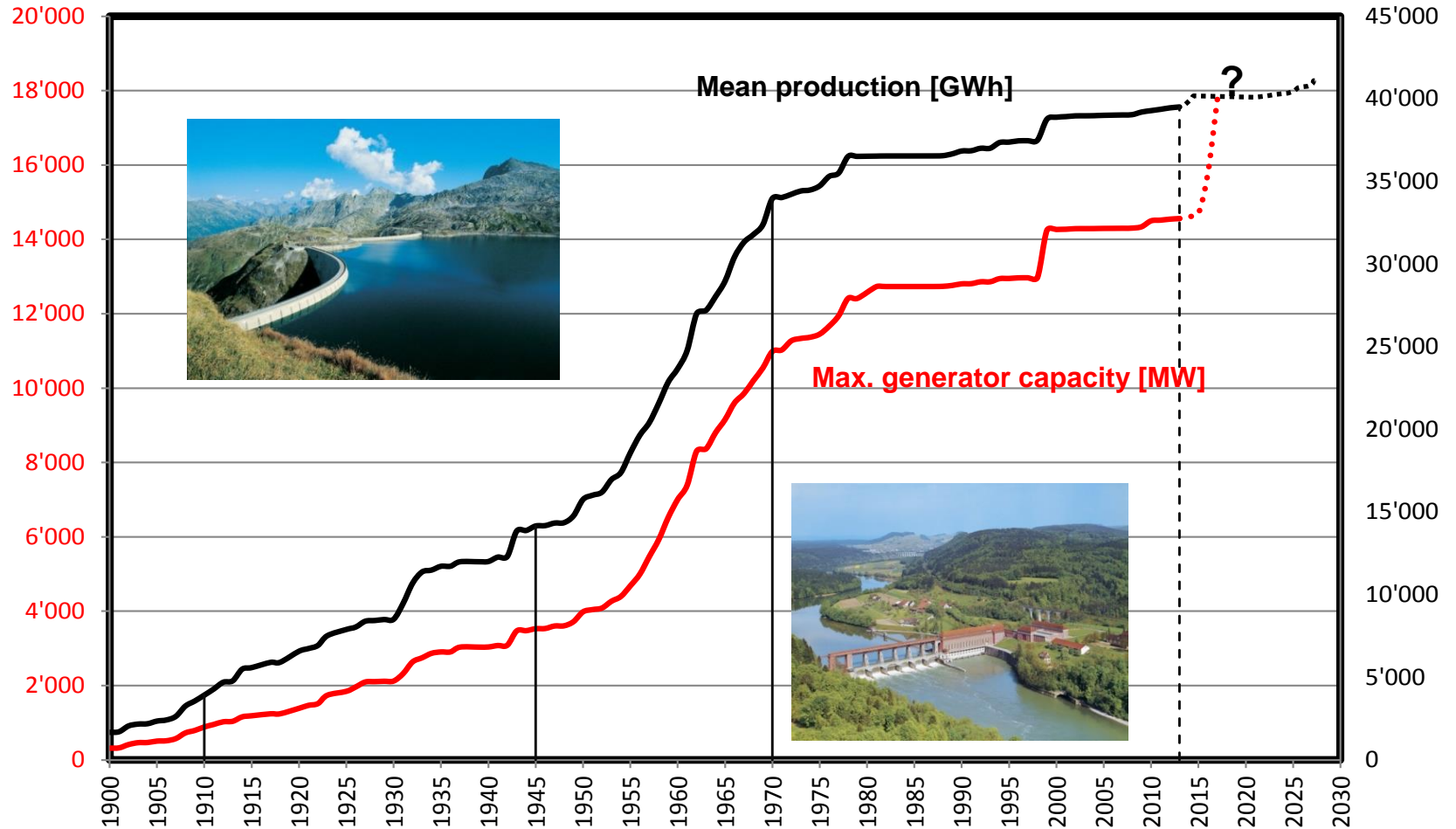
- Electricity production: **60 TWh/a** (34 TWh/Winter)
- **56 % from HPPs** (604 powerplants, 13'689 MW)
 - 20 TWh from storage HPPs (producing 47% in Winter)
 - 19 TWh from RoR HPPs
- Storage volume: $4 \text{ km}^3 = \mathbf{8.8 \text{ TWh}}$ (Source: FOEN 2015)
 - Austria 3 TWh; Germany 0.03 TWh (source: Prognos 2012)
- Variability of annual production: 70 – 140 %
- Av. annual HPP production (mov.-av. 2014): **36 TWh/a**

Development of Swiss hydropower

Backbone of electricity supply system

Capacity [MW]

Production [GWh]



Selected challenges

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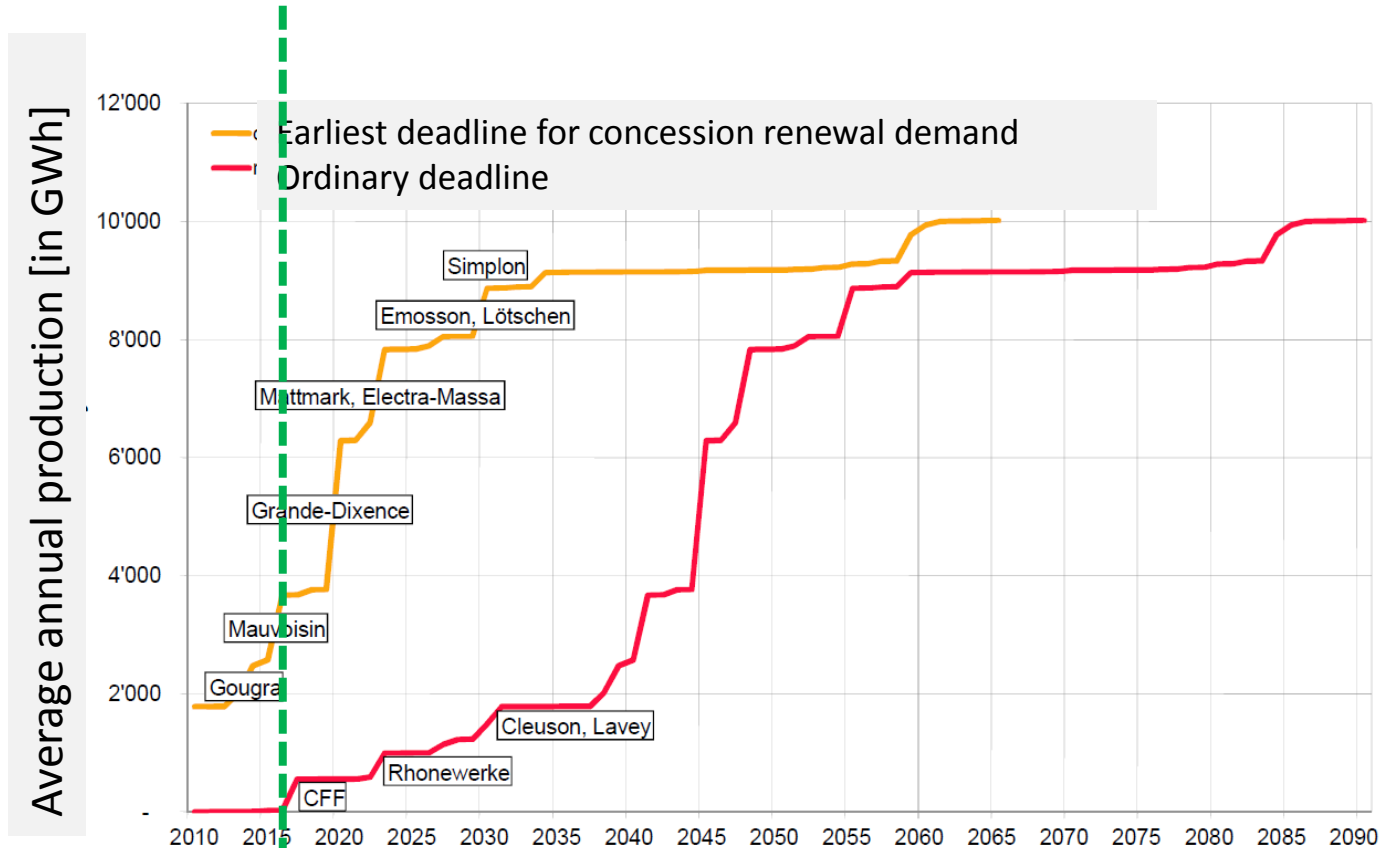
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Hydropower Roadmap: motivation

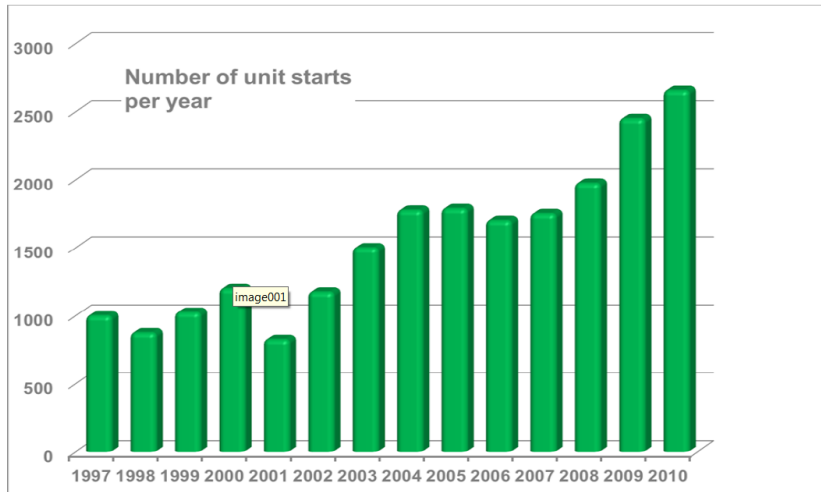
Ageing & Concession renewal



Source: Service de l'énergie et des forces hydrauliques (SEFH) / BHP – Hanser und Partner AG

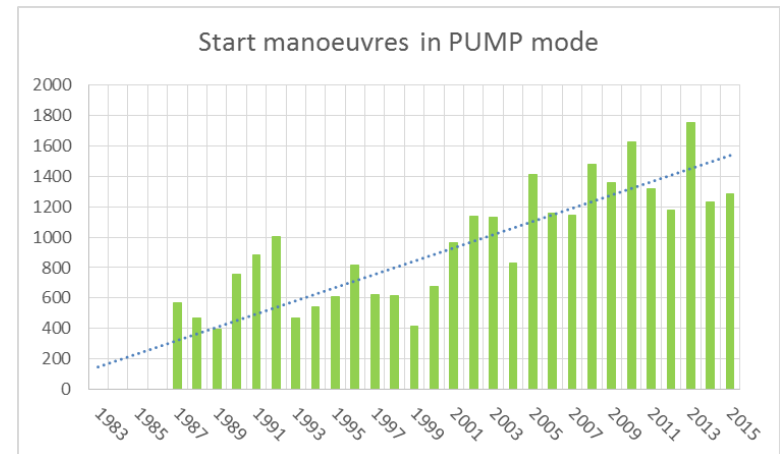
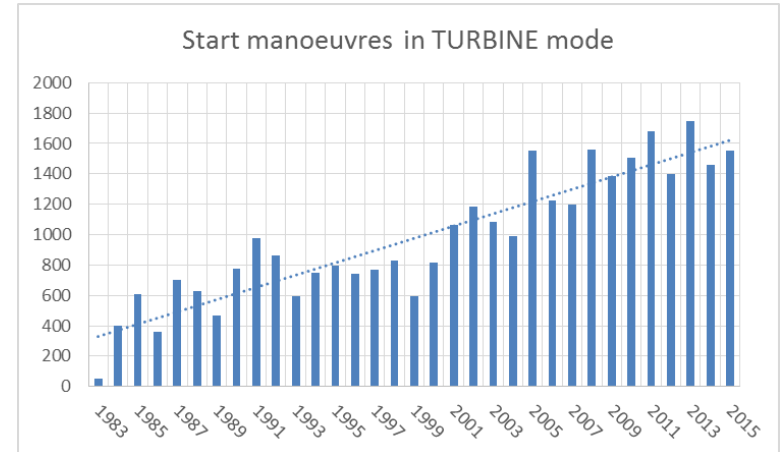
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Pressure from markets on HPP operation



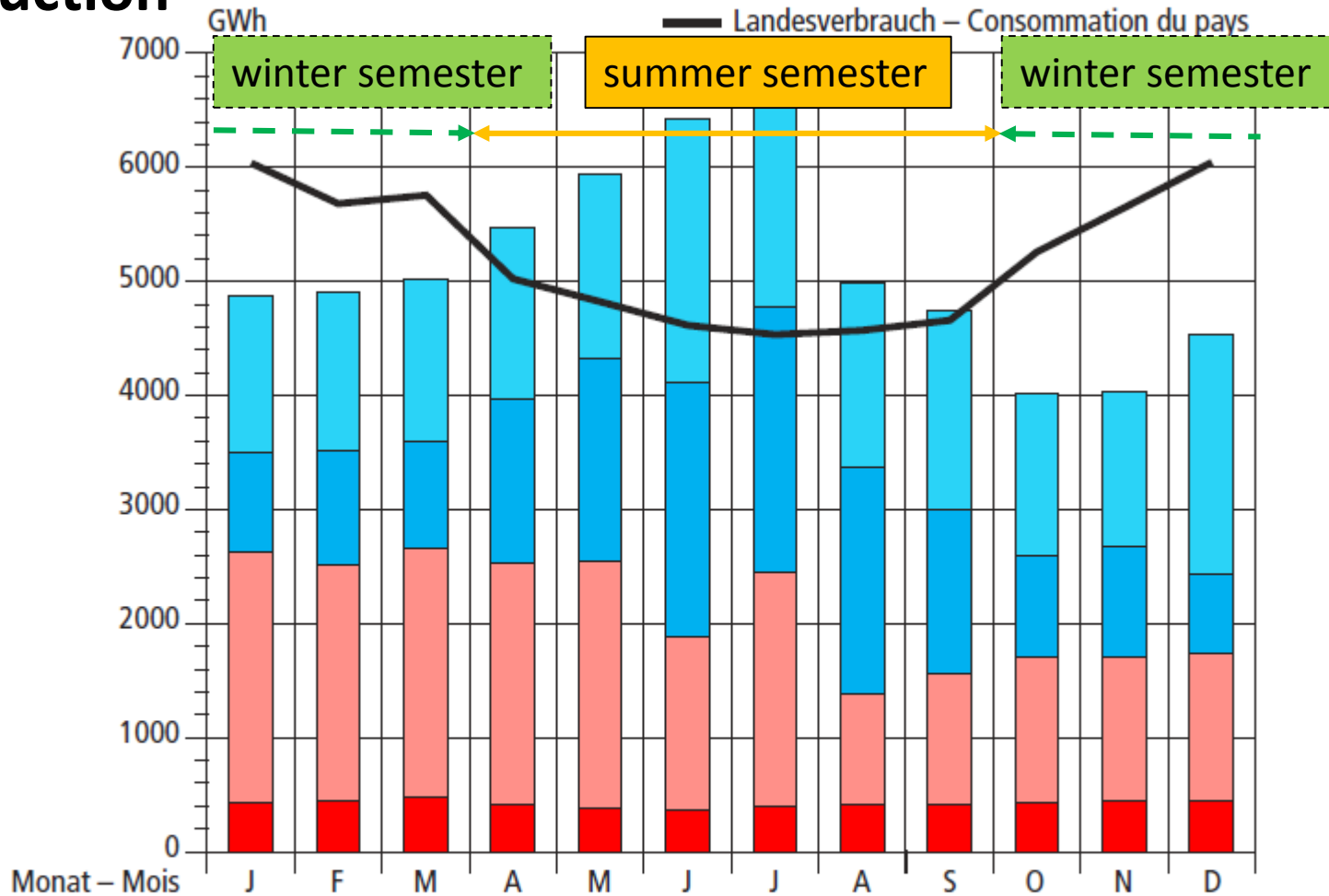
Source: Alstom


- Increase of unit starts
- Increase of partial load operation hours
- Extension of operation range





Source: Manso et al. 2016


Monthly electricity consumption and production



 Speicherkraftwerke
Centrales à accumulation

 Kernkraftwerke
Centrales nucléaires

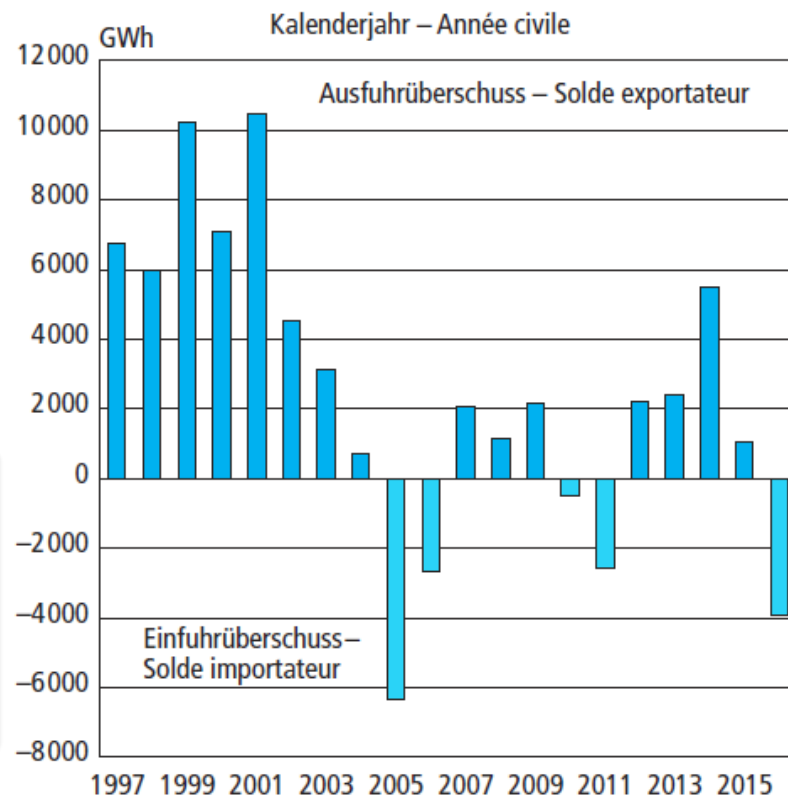
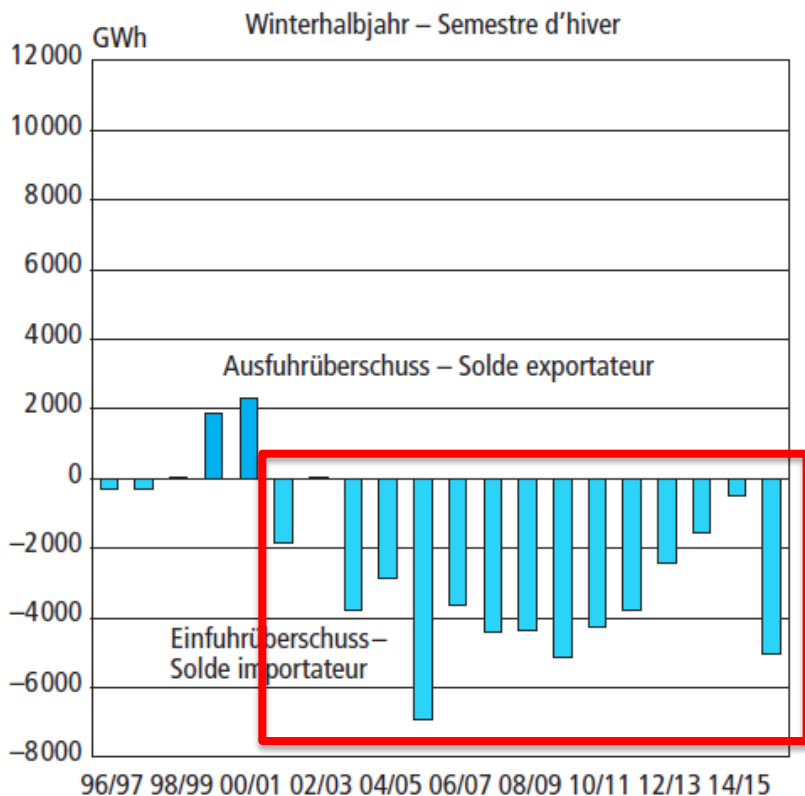
 Laufkraftwerke
Centrales au fil de l'eau

 Konventionell-thermische und andere Kraftwerke
Centrales thermiques classiques et divers

Source: SFOE (2017)

Electricity shortage in winter semester

- Surplus of electricity import in winter semester for many years
- Today nuclear PPs produce 14 TWh of base load in winter semester
- New renewables shall produce 10.5 TWh in winter semester by 2050



Source: Piot (2014), SFOE (2016)

Electricity shortage in winter semester

- Current energy equivalent of Swiss storage reservoirs: 9 TWh
 - **Gap between consumption and production in winter semester** will amount to **between 3 and 7.7 TWh** (depending on scenario)
- close gap by
- Imports,
 - New combined cycle PPs, or
 - Additional seasonal storage reservoirs
 - Change consumption pattern

Foreseen changes



Goal ID	Goal Label	Operation changes (opex)	Renovation (opex/capex)	New infrastructure (capex)
1 =E	Maintain 2010's production level and even increase production	Increase live volume w/sediment management	Reduce friction losses Reduce transmission line losses Increase in machinery efficiency Enlarge dam drawdown range Turbine eco-flows at dams Add compensation basins	Heighten dams (add storage) New storage dams New RoR HPPs New connections between reservoirs Add diversion pumping capacity (*)
2 +MW	Capacity increase (MW) to avoid spilling and increase flexibility	-	EHM renewal Add compensation basins	Increase number of units New powerplants New compensation basins Add pumped-storage capacity (**)
3 +CHF	Revenue increase from energy sales	Concentrate production in premium hours (***)	Add compensation basin volume	All the above

*Diversion pumping consumes electricity but allows conveying water from a given valley into another one equipped with a cascade of plants, the net production output being positive since the pumping elevation difference is smaller than the cumulated production head.

**Pumped-storage consumes electricity but allow storing (excess) energy from wind and solar plants for later deployment, the net production output being either positive or negative depending on the ratio between production from natural inflows and production from pumped inflows.

***Premium production is only optional for storage plants, although improvements are quite dependent on the flow demodulation possibilities.

Manso, Schaefli, Schleiss (2015), Hydro, Bordeaux

How to increase the HPP storage?

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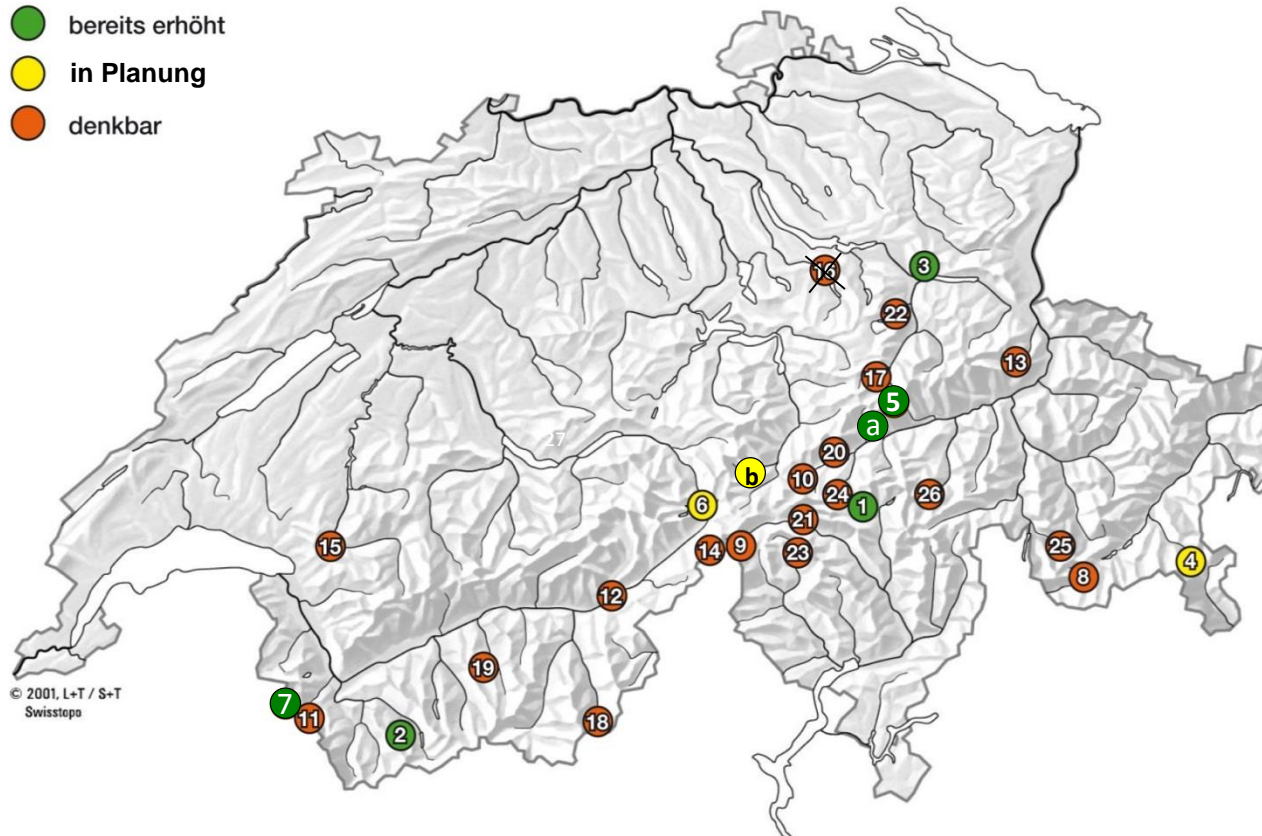
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Dam heightening

- bereits erhöht
- in Planung
- denkbar



Map: SWV; Sources: SFOE (2004), EPFL (2012), VAW (2016)

→ Additional winter semester energy of some 2 TWh

Implemented:

- 1 Luzzone (17 m)
- 2 Mauvoisin (13.5 m)
- 3 Muslen (5 m)
- 5 Mutsee (neu, 35 m)
- 7 Vieux-Emosson (20 m)
- a Barcuns (5 m)

Design stage:

- 4 Lago Bianco N/S
- 6 Spitalamm/Seeuferegg (101 hm³)
- b Göscheneralp (76 hm³)

Feasible:

- 8 Albigna (70 hm³)
- 9 Cavagnoli (29 hm³)
- 10 Curnera (40.8 hm³)
- 11 Emosson (227 hm³)
- 12 Gebidem (9.2 hm³)
- 13 Gigerwald (33.4 hm³)
- 14 Gries (18 hm³)
- 15 Hongrin (52 hm³)
- 16 In den Schlagen/
Hünerrmatttamm
- 17 Limmern (92 hm³)
- 18 Mattmark (100 hm³)
- 19 Moiry (77 hm³)
- 20 Nalps (44.5 hm³)
- 21 Piora (47.5 hm³)
- 22 Rhodannenbergl (39.8 hm³)
- 23 Sambucco (64 Mio. m³)
- 24 Santa Maria (67 hm³)
- 25 Valle di Lei (197 hm³)
- 26 Zervreila (100 hm³)

Periglacial hydro

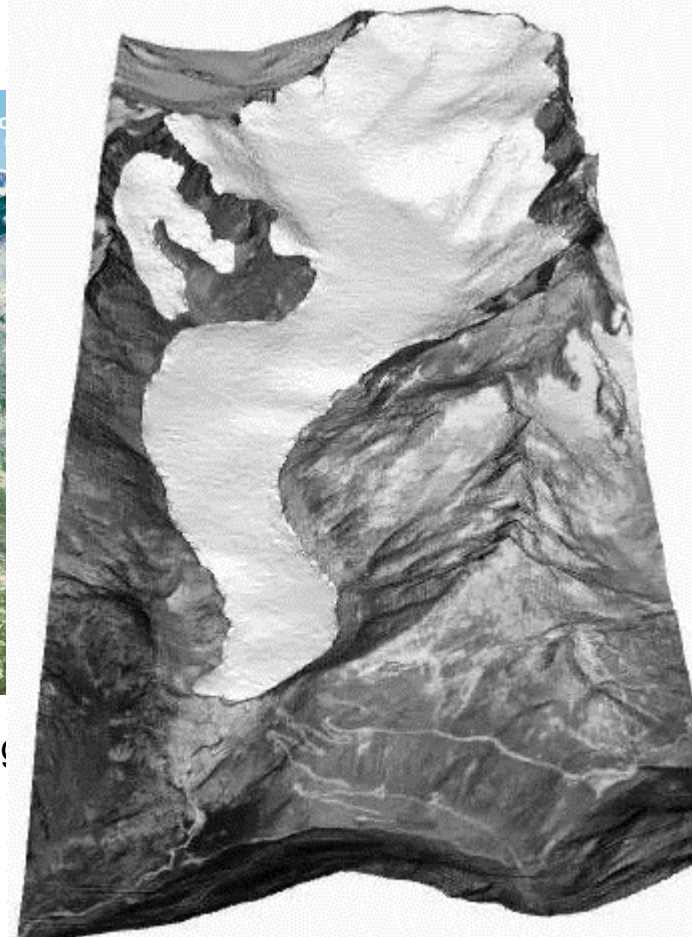
New reservoirs and schemes due to glacier retreat



Periglacial hydro

New reservoirs and schemes due to glacier retreat

Year 2007 Rhone glacier



VAW-ETHZ & IACS-EPFL



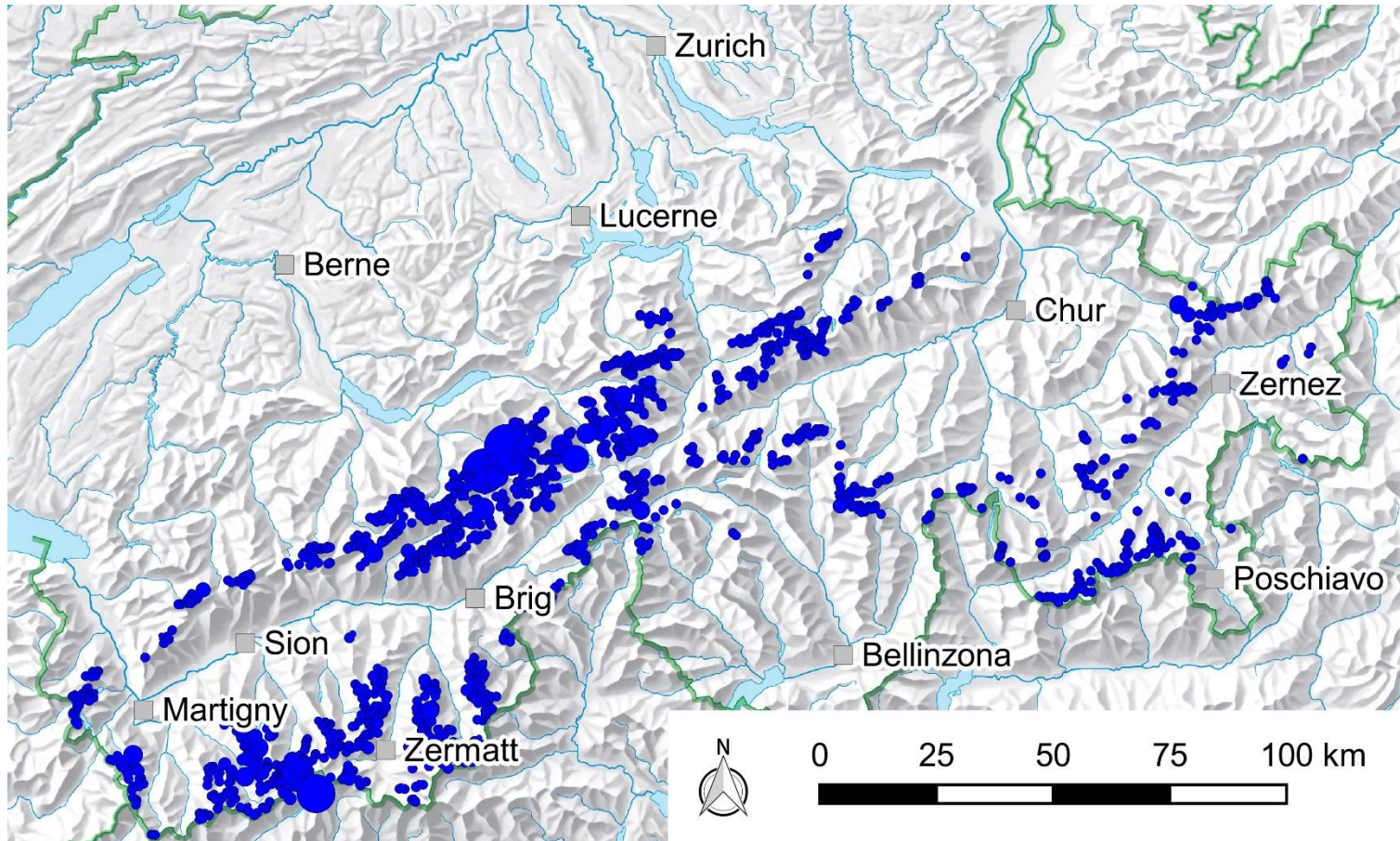
Rhone glacier ca. 1900



Rhone g

Periglacial hydro

New reservoirs and schemes due to glacier retreat



Relative glacier runoff volumes in 2035 (data from Farinotti et al. (2016))
 (largest dot represents 283 hm³ annual discharge volume)

Periglacial hydro

New reservoirs and schemes due to glacier retreat

Technical potential of selected future hydropower plants

Location [name of nearest glacier]	annual production [GWh]	reservoir volume [hm ³]
Aletsch Glaciers (all)	180	106
Baltschieder Glacier	74	27
Gorner Glacier	119	34
Grindelwald Glacier	130	92
Hüfi Glacier (Maderan valley)	171	60
Rhone Glacier	98	23
Roseg Glacier	253	89
Trift Glacier	146*	85*
Total	1'171 (+ 3.2%)	516 (+ 35%)

* www.grimselstrom.ch/ausbauvorhaben/projekt-speichersee-und-kraftwerk-trift

Source: Ehrbar et al. (2017)

Periglacial hydro

Challenges

Climate change

- Development of water supply and sediment input

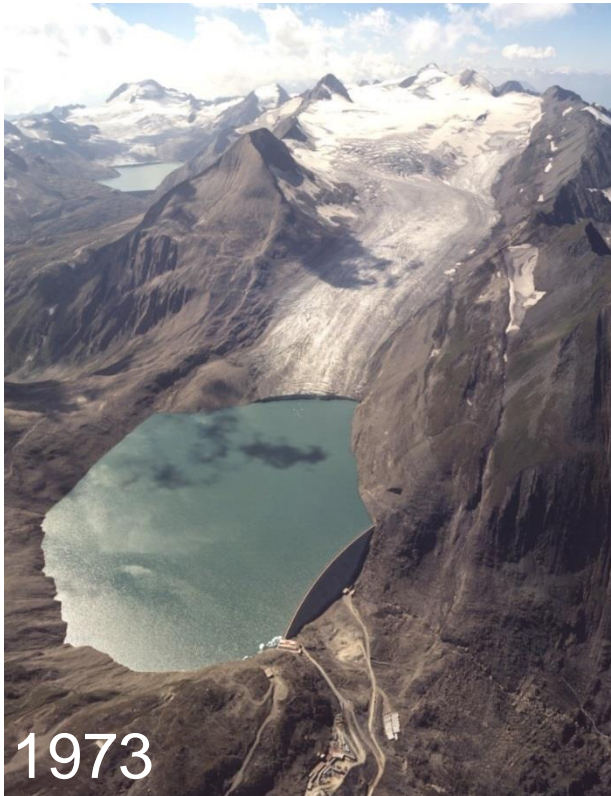


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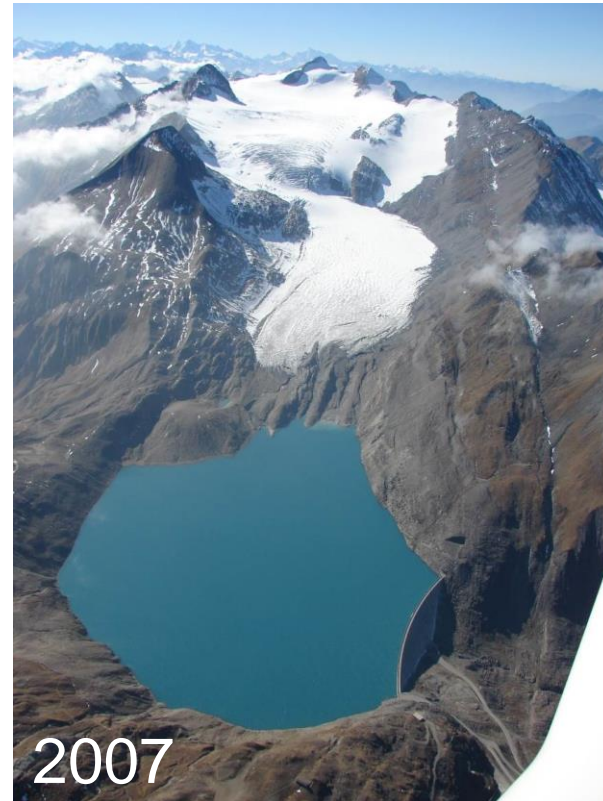


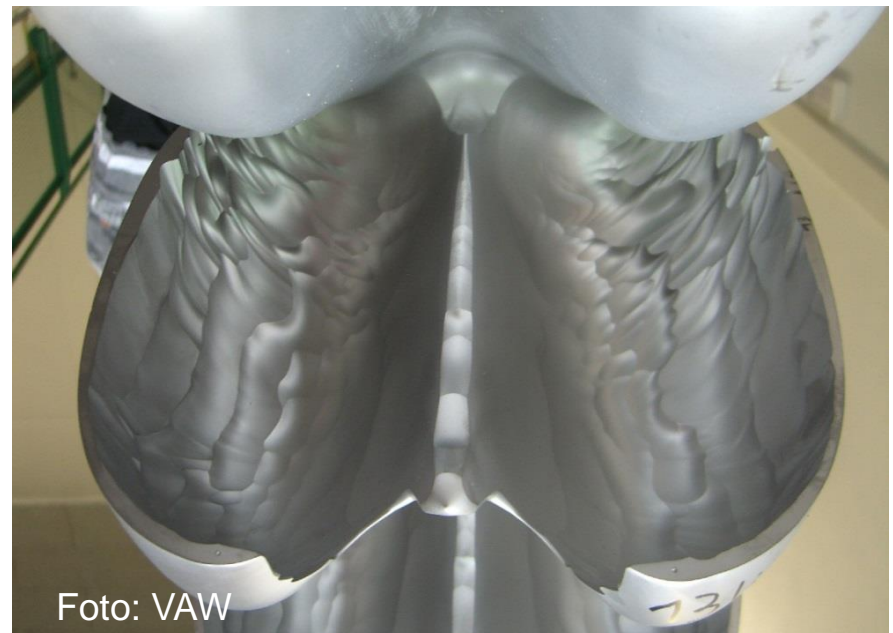
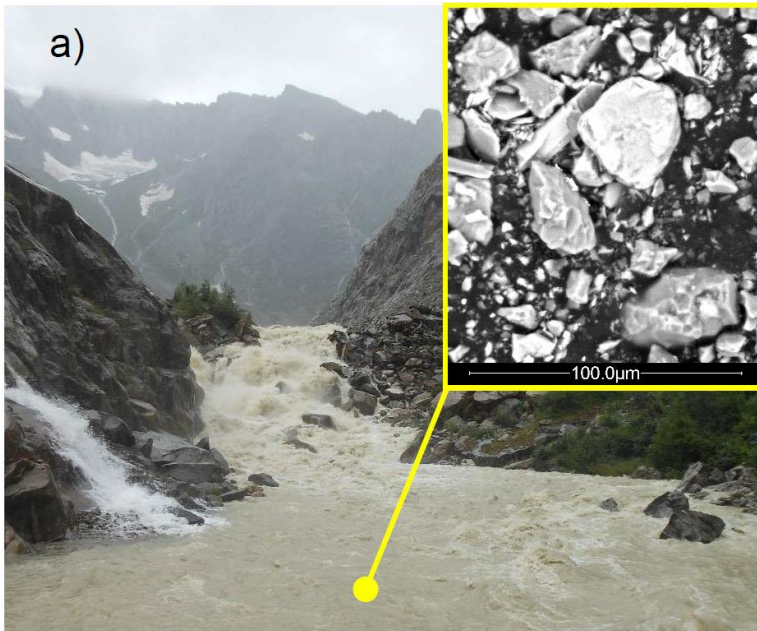
Photo: Kappenberger

Periglacial hydro

Challenges

Sediments

- Reservoir sedimentation
- Hydro abrasion



Periglacial hydro

Challenges

Water protection act

- Fish migration
- Hydropeaking
- Residual flow

Sediment evacuation under environmental constraints



Downstream fish migration



Thermo- and Hydropeaking



Conclusions

- Swiss hydropower is and will be the backbone of our electricity supply system
- Small hydro potential still important but dispersed (numerous sites)
- HPP reservoirs are practical to transfer «electricity» from summer to winter semester
- The goals of the Energy Strategy 2050 concerning electricity supply from hydropower could be achieved with **eight** new large-scale storage reservoirs in the periglacial environment by 2035.
- Major challenges ahead
- New business models (e.g. reservoir interconnections, hybrid / multiple uses, pluriannual reserve)

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