

# Renewable Energy

## Some experiences and challenges

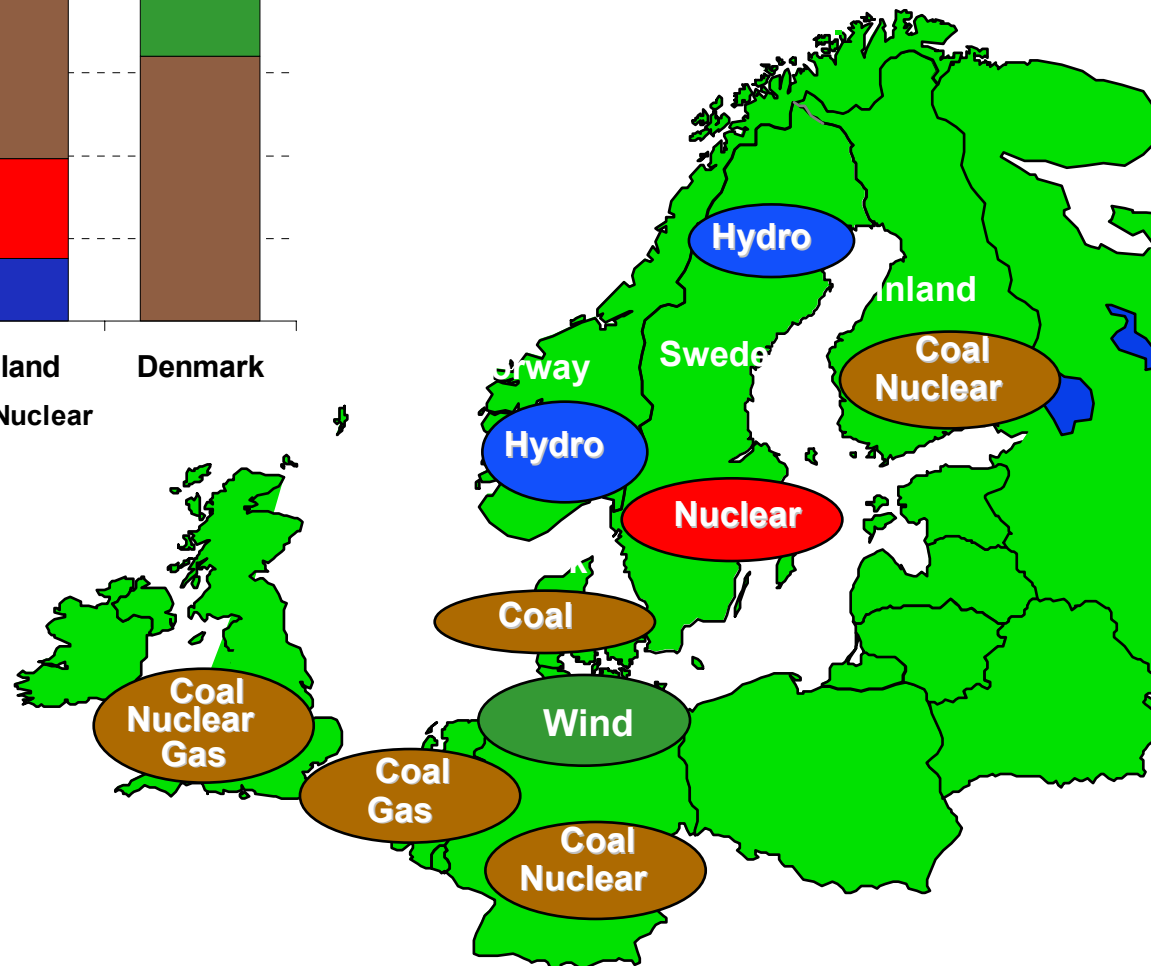
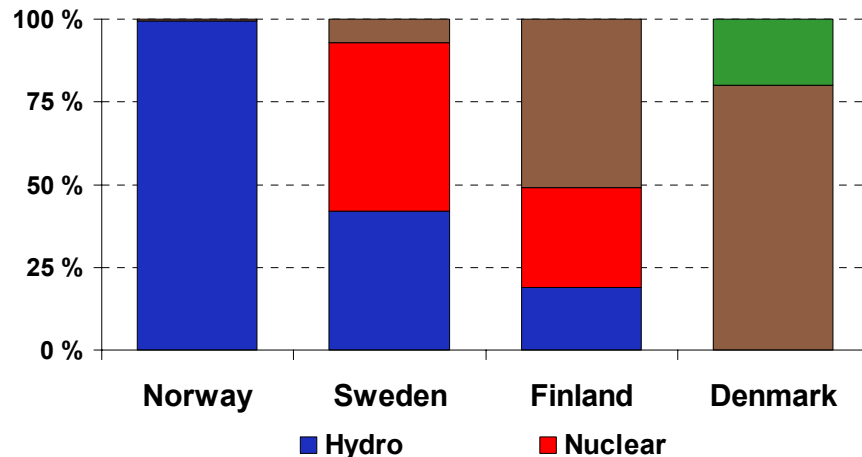
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# Nordic electricity generation

	<b>Norway</b>	<b>Statkraft</b>
• Installed capacity:	~28.200 MW	~35%
	119 TWh	~35%



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# The Norwegian System

- Big oil and gas reserves offshore – one of the largest exporters in the world

- Large potential for renewable energy

Hydro power

Wind power onshore

Wind power offshore

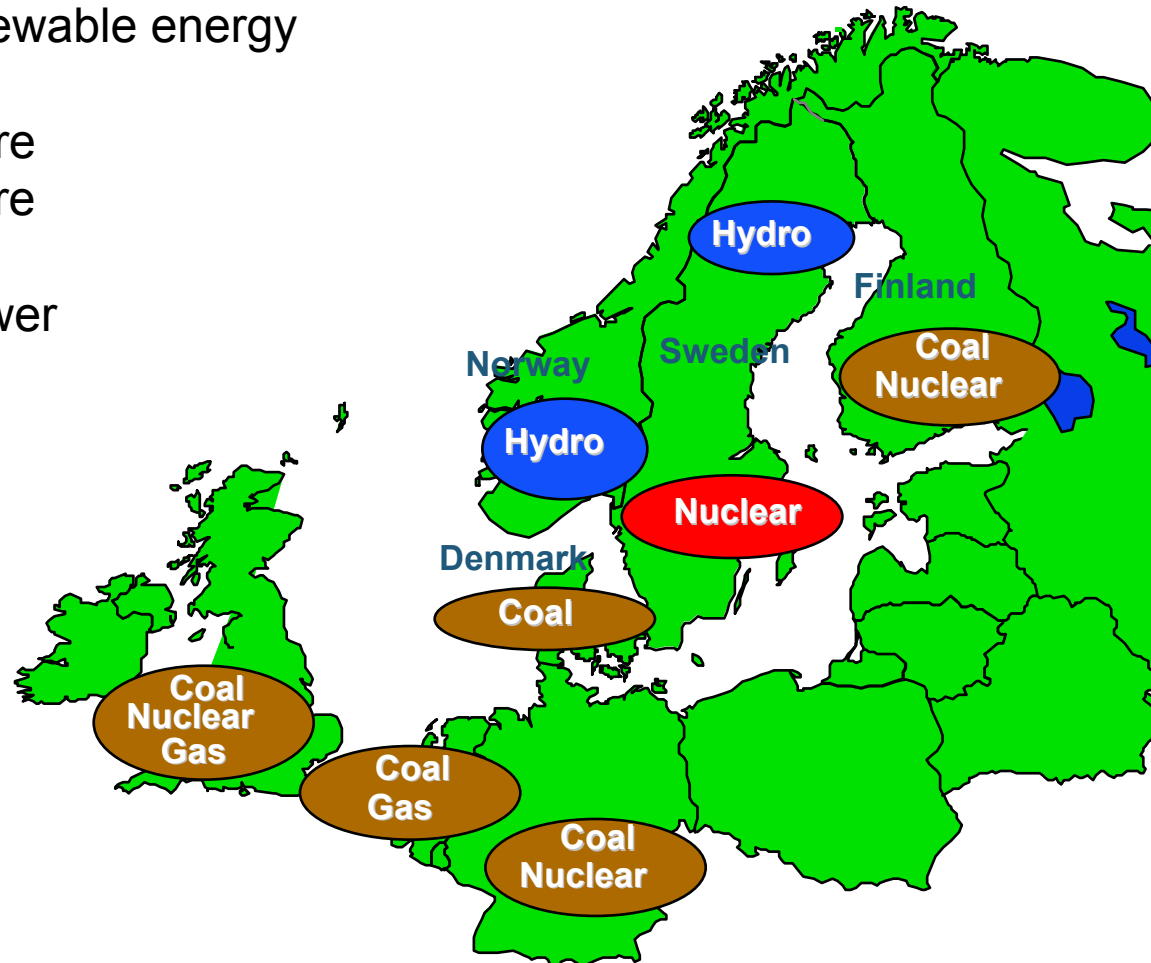
Bio energy

Wave and tidal power

Osmotic power

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- The future of hydrogen processed from renewables

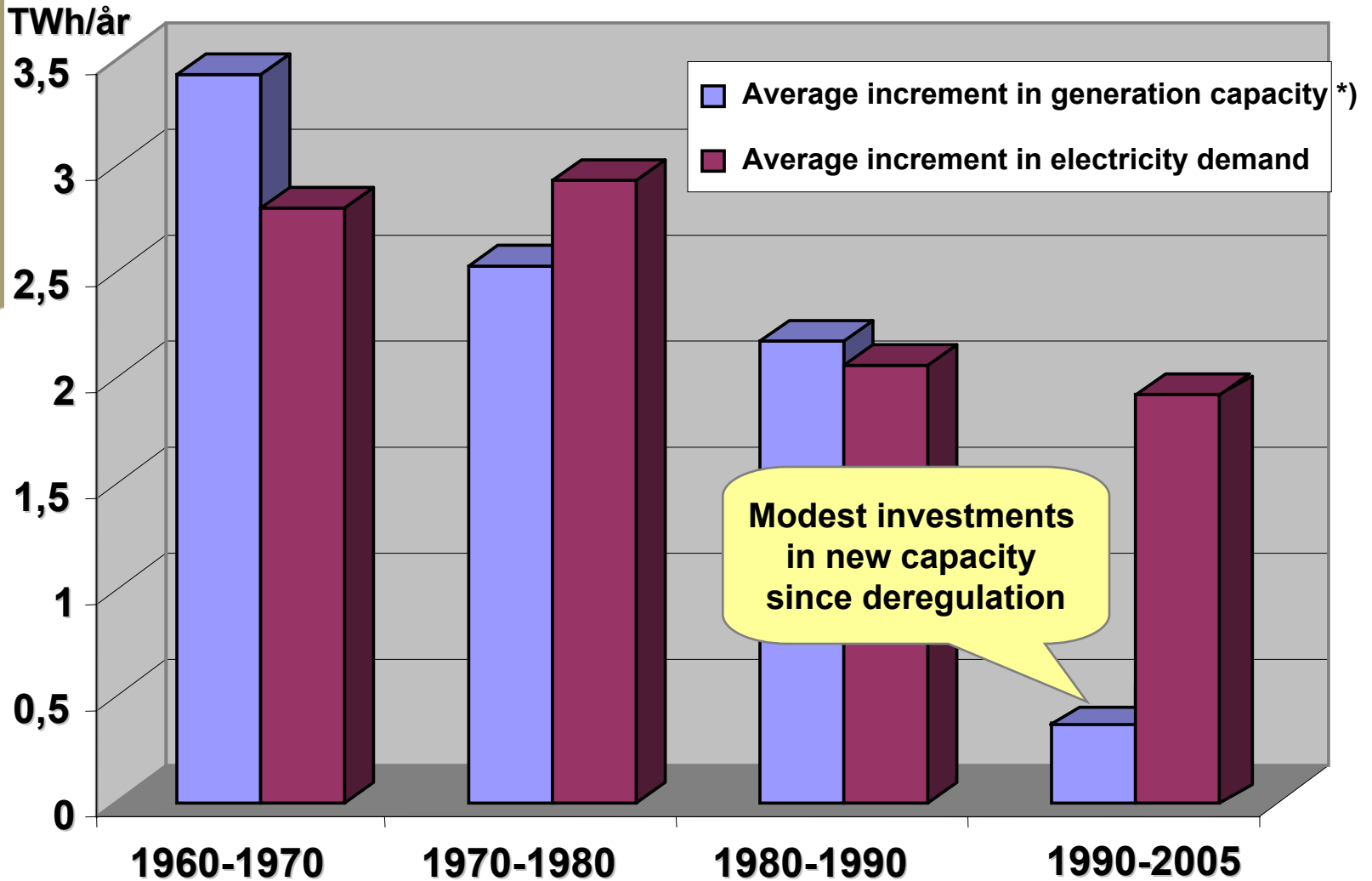




# Average Annual Growth in Electricity Demand & Generation Capacity \*).

Norway 1960 - 2005

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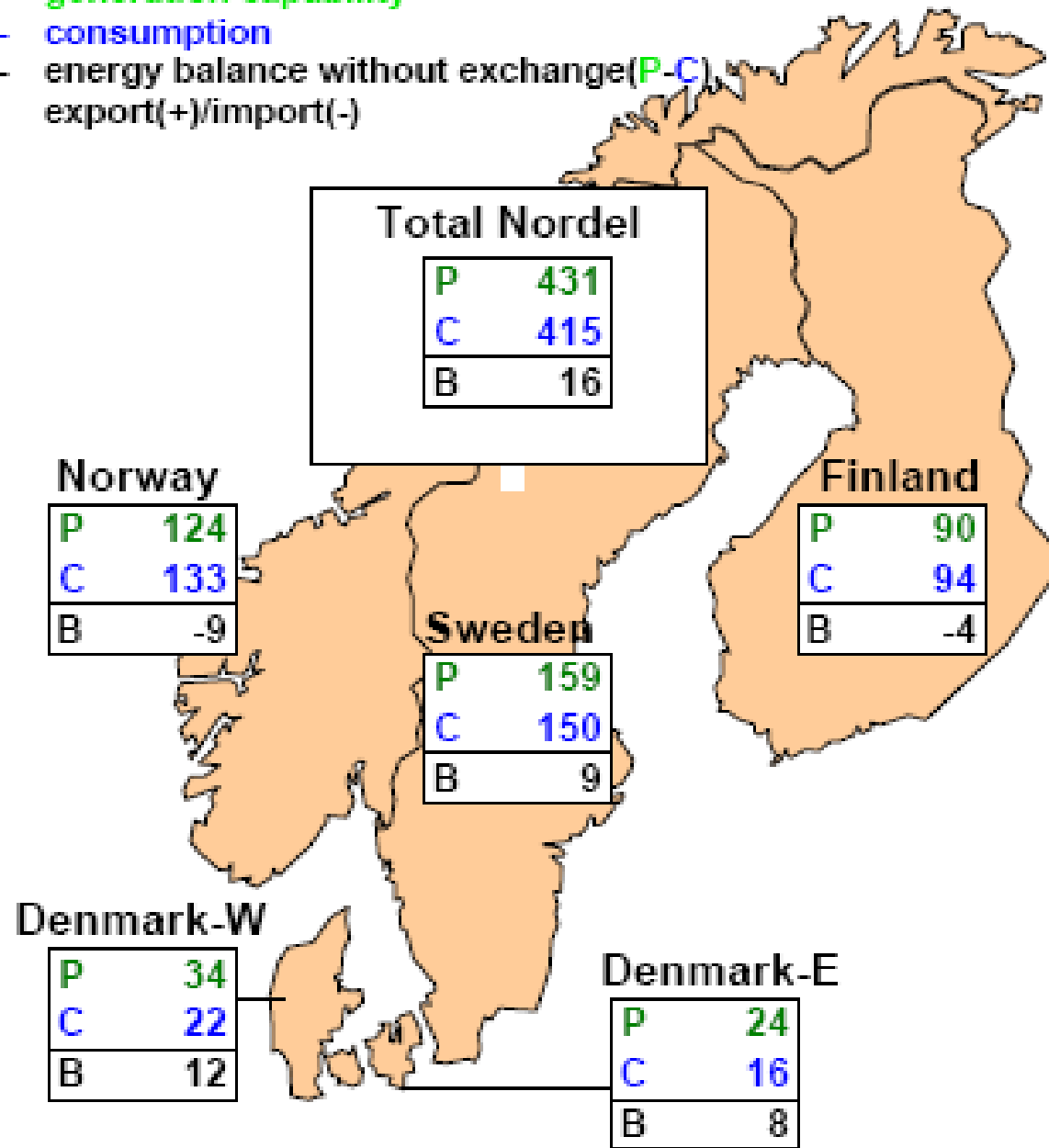
\*) Increase in mean annual generation capacity



# The Nordic System 2008

Energy balance  
Normal inflow year

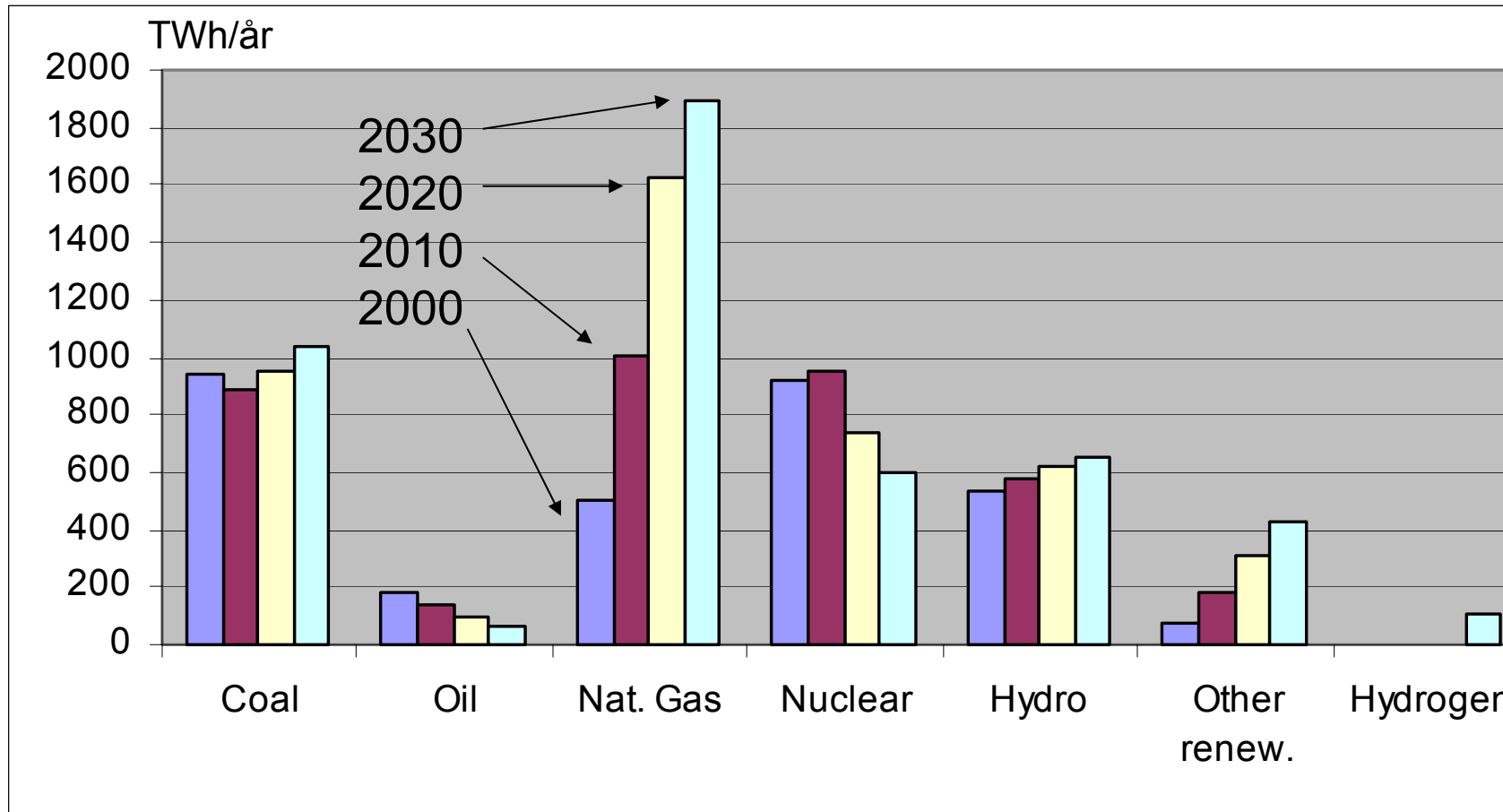
- P - generation capability
- C - consumption
- B - energy balance without exchange (P-C), export(+)/import(-)





# Power production in OECD-Europe

## IEA Reference scenario 2000/2010/2020/2030

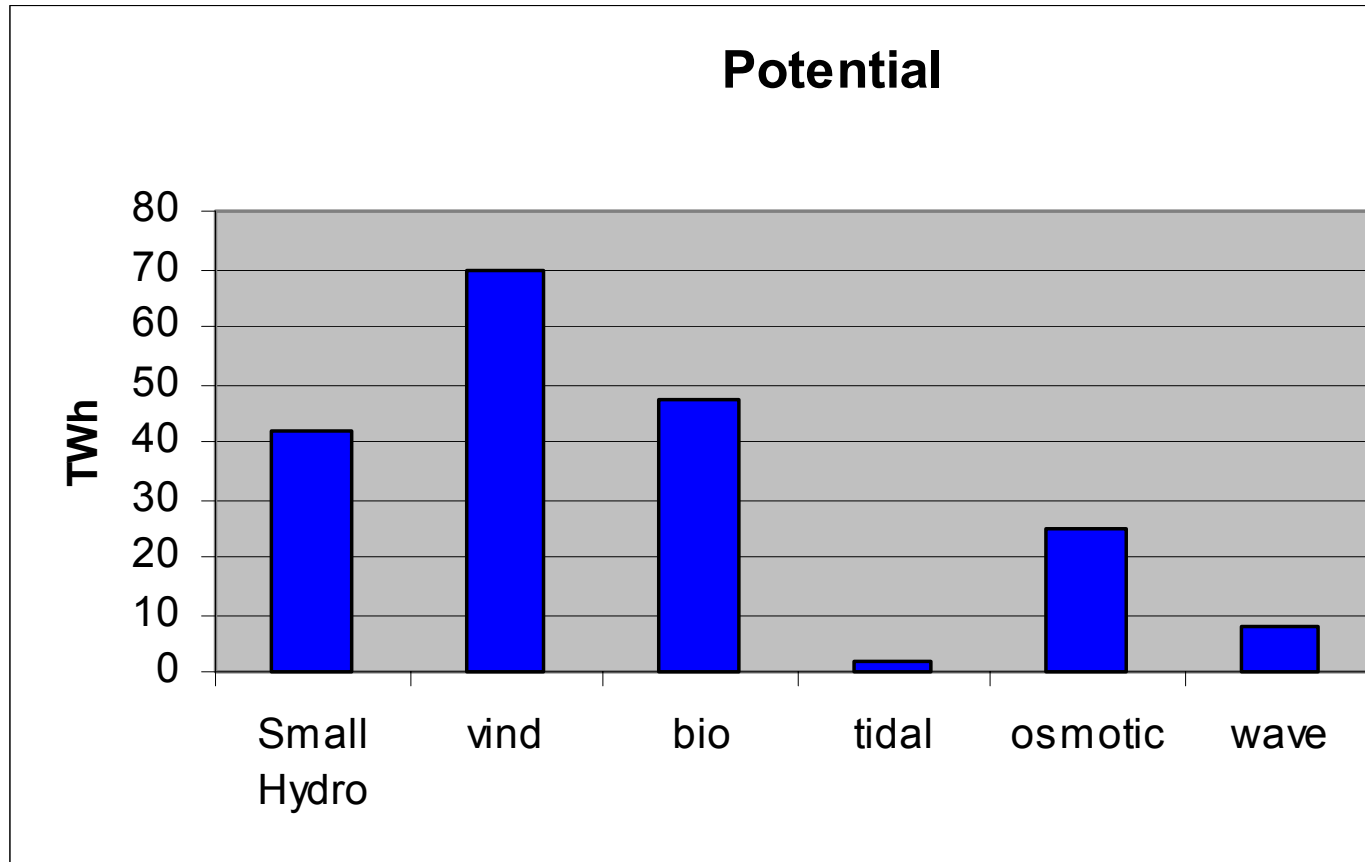


Source: International Energy Agency (IEA), *World Energy Outlook 2002*, SEfAS



# Some renewables in Norway –new capacity

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SUM: 200 TWh +/-

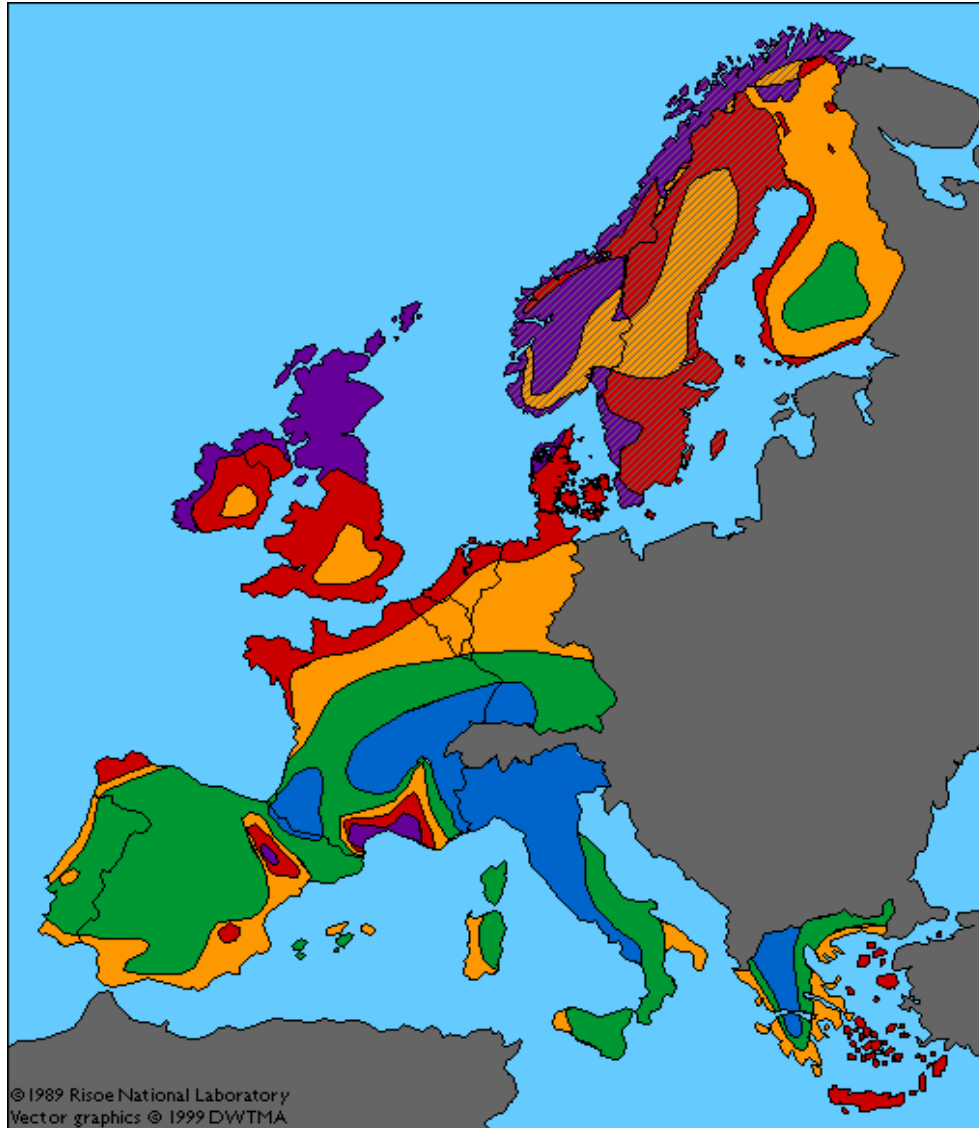


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# Good wind conditions in Norway



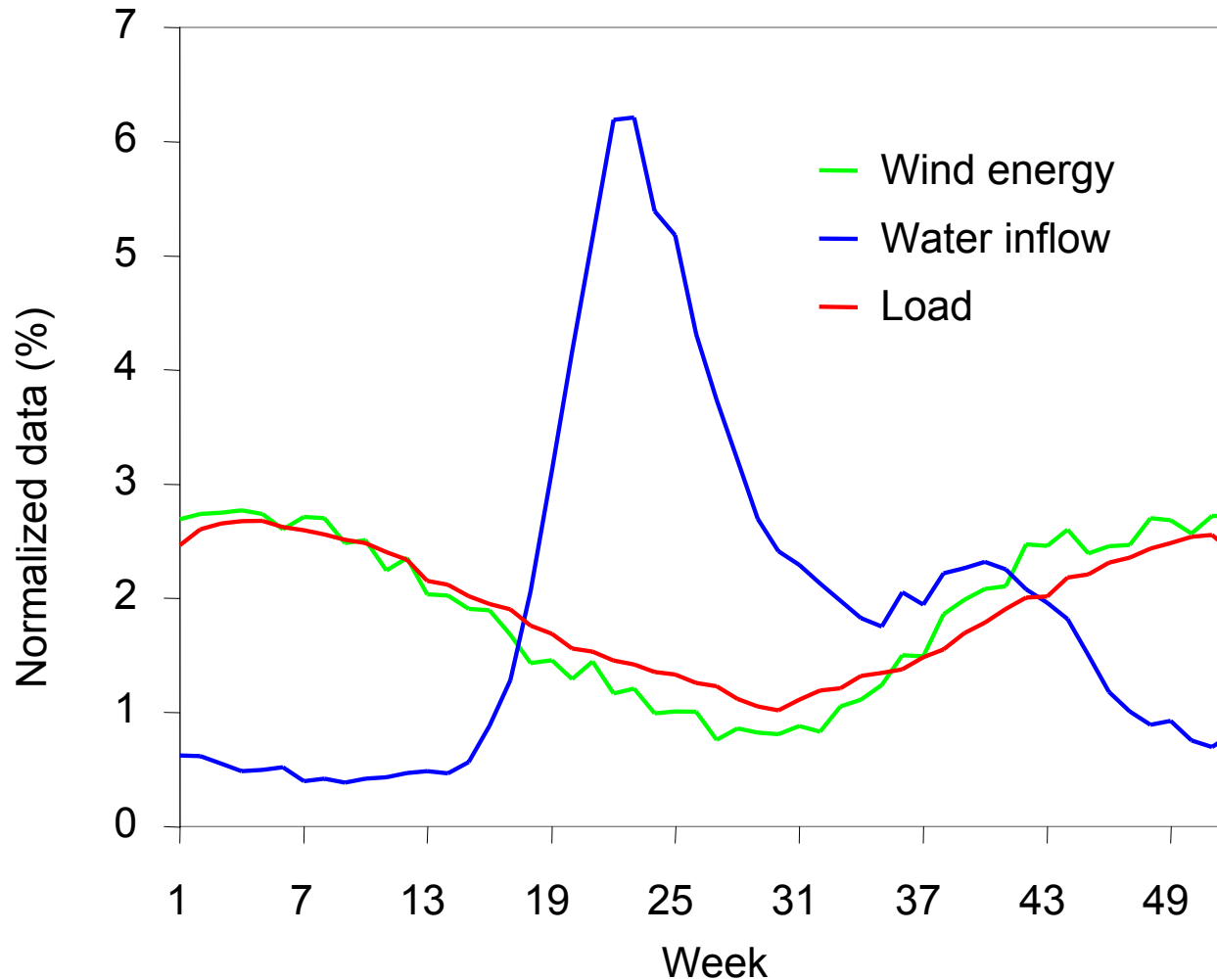
Blue and green	$< 5.5 \text{ m/s}$
Yellow	5.5-6.5 m/s
Red	6.5-7.5 m/s
Purple	$> 7.5 \text{ m/s}$







# Wind Energy Variations - Norway





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# Wind Power Projects

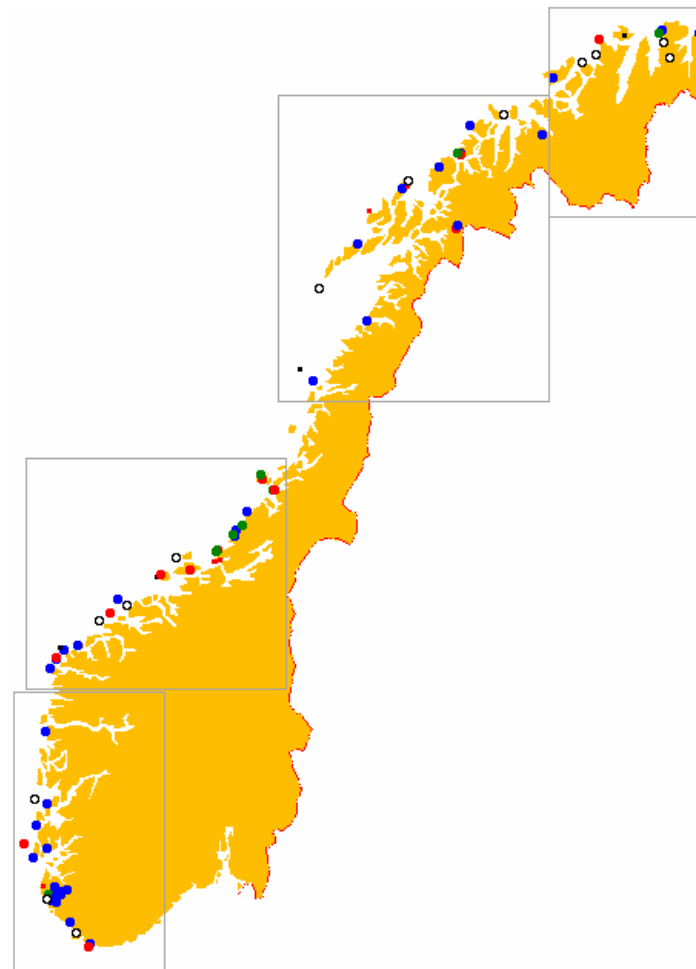
- In operation
- Planning in progress
- Concession applied
- Concession given

**The official target is 3.0 TWh/year in 2010**

**Installed capacity 350 MW**

**Licenses for totally 850 MW given**

**Another 5.000 MW under licensing process**



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## Main Challenges

Get permission/ concession to build

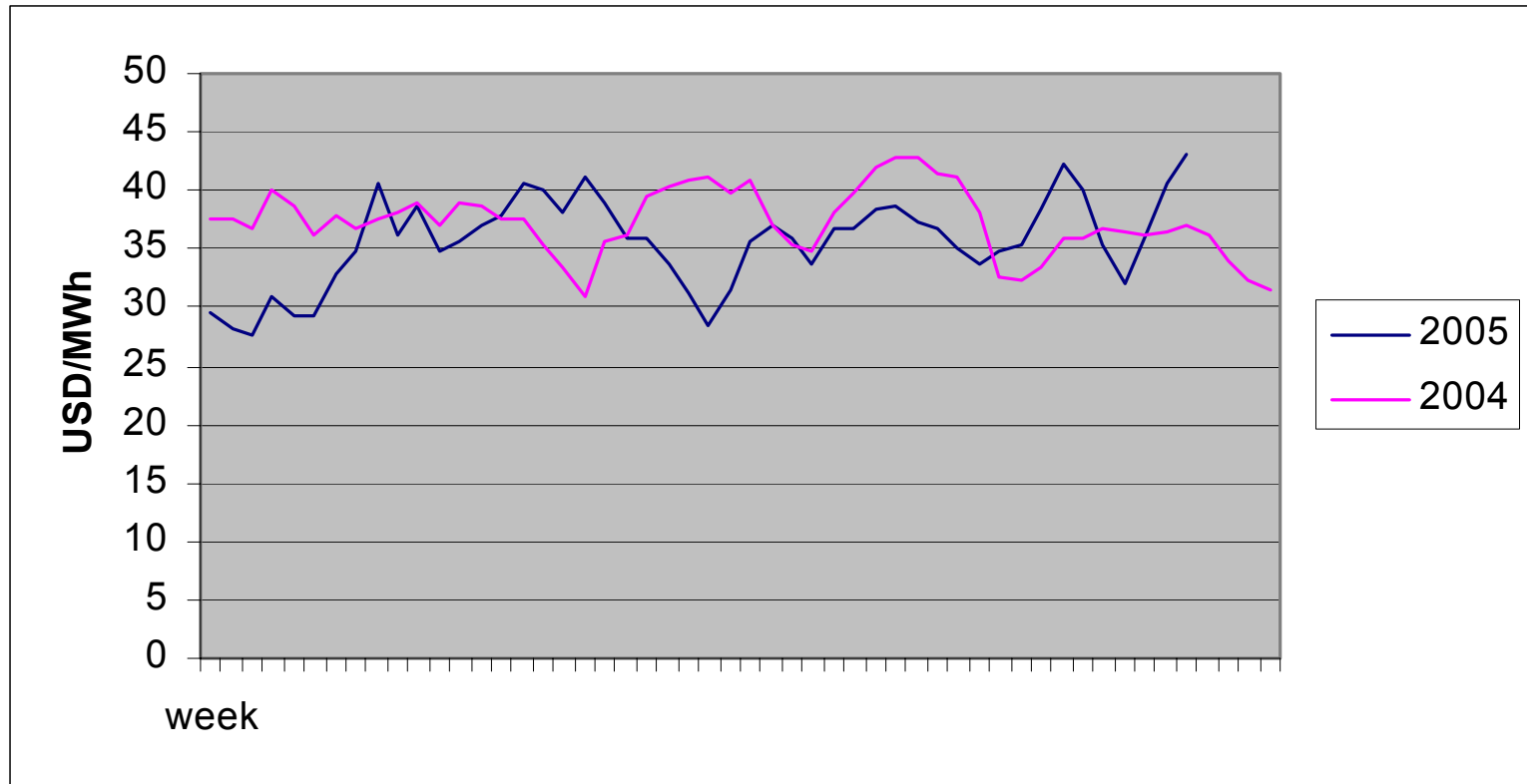
Get positive cash flow – ensure the project economy and return of investment

Technology it self is usually not the limiting factor





# Spot Prices Nordic market



**Need added value to implement more renewable energy**

**Support schemes are needed**

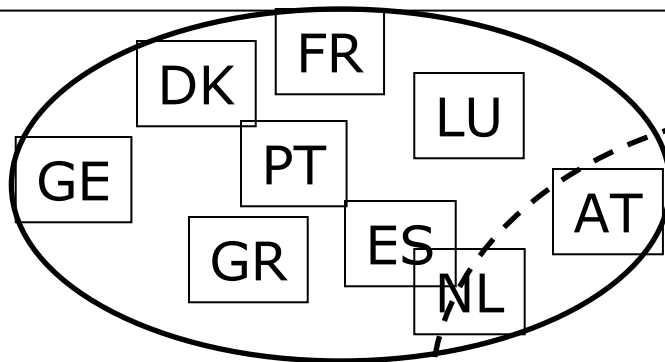




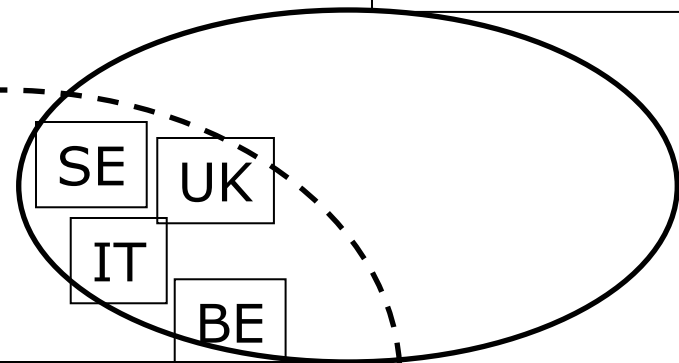
# Support schemes for renewable energy in EU-15 ( 15 EU countries)

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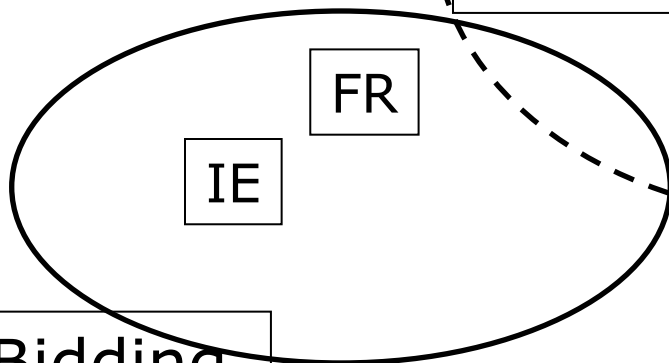
Fixed production support



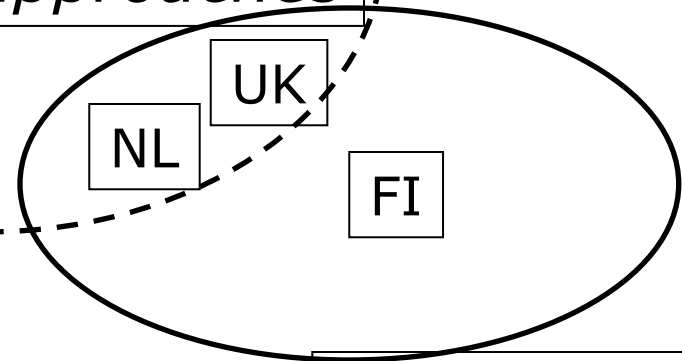
Volume based



*Certificate approaches*



Bidding



Tax incentives



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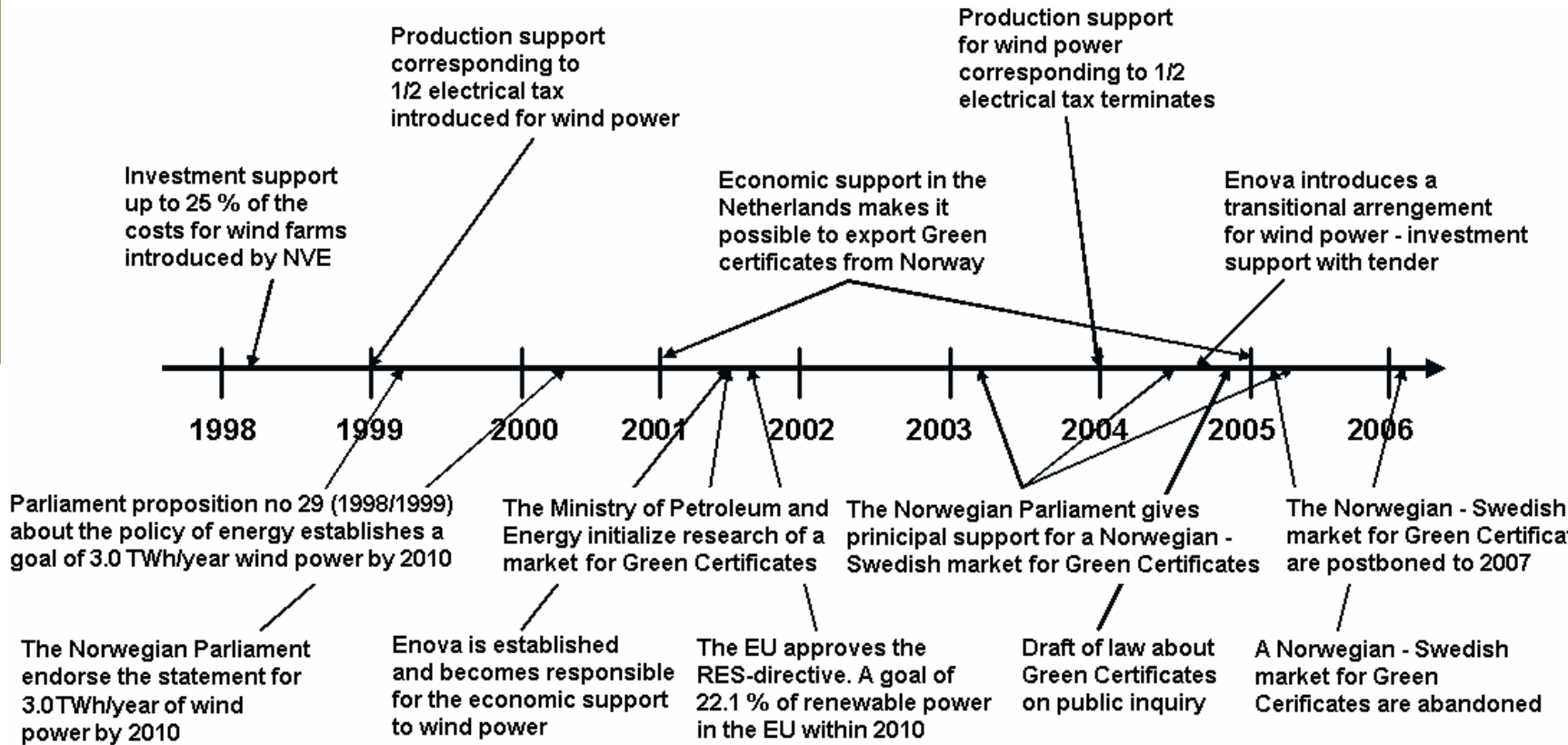
# Support to renewables in the EU

	<b>PROs</b>	<b>CONs</b>
<b>REFIT (Feed-in tariffs)</b>	Highly effective. Highly efficient due to the low risk for investors. Permits strategic support for technology innovation.	More difficult compatibility with the internal market. Needs regular adjustment.
<b>Premium</b>	Highly effective. Efficient due to the medium risk for investors. Good compatibility with the internal market.	Risk of over-compensation in the case of high electricity prices without appropriate adjustment.
<b>TGCs (Green certificates)</b>	Good compatibility with the internal market. Competition between generators. Supports the lowest-cost technologies.	Currently less efficient due to higher risks and administrative costs. Not very appropriate for developing medium- to long-term technologies.
<b>Tendering</b>	Fast development with political will.	Stop-and-go nature causing instabilities. If competition is too severe, development is blocked.
<b>Investment subsidy</b>	Good complement for some technologies.	Inefficient as a main instrument.
<b>Fiscal measures</b>	Good secondary instrument.	Good results only in countries with high taxation and for the most competitive technologies.





# Economic support for Wind Power - The Norwegian Story



## Changing economic support for renewable energy - lack of predictability







# Economic support for Wind Power

## - Present Status

- The proposed common market for green certificates between Sweden and Norway was abandoned winter 2006
- Minister of Energy stated, March 15th :  
*"I will within short time present an alternative [to green certificates] which secures the goal for new energy production based on renewable energy"*  
*"There is no reason to postpone the investments in wind power"*
- October 2006:
  - Wind Power: 1,2 cents/kWh (8 øre/kWh)
  - Bio Energy: 1,5 cents/kWh (10 øre/kWh)
  - Small hydro : 0,7 cents/kWh (4 øre/kWh)
- This will not ensure investments





# The Licensing process becomes more complicated: e.g. for Wind Farms

- **Notification**
  - **Public inquiry**
- **Application for license including impact assessment**
  - **Public inquiry, the public hearing process becomes more challenging**
  - **Opponents are increasing in number and 'power'**
- **Evaluation of the application by the authorities (Water and Energy Directorate – NVE) including thematic assessment of conflicts.**
- **Consession given by NVE**
- **If complaints**
  - **the final decision by the Ministry of Oil and Energy**
- **Total time frame: 2 – 5 years: tends to reach 4-5 years in average**





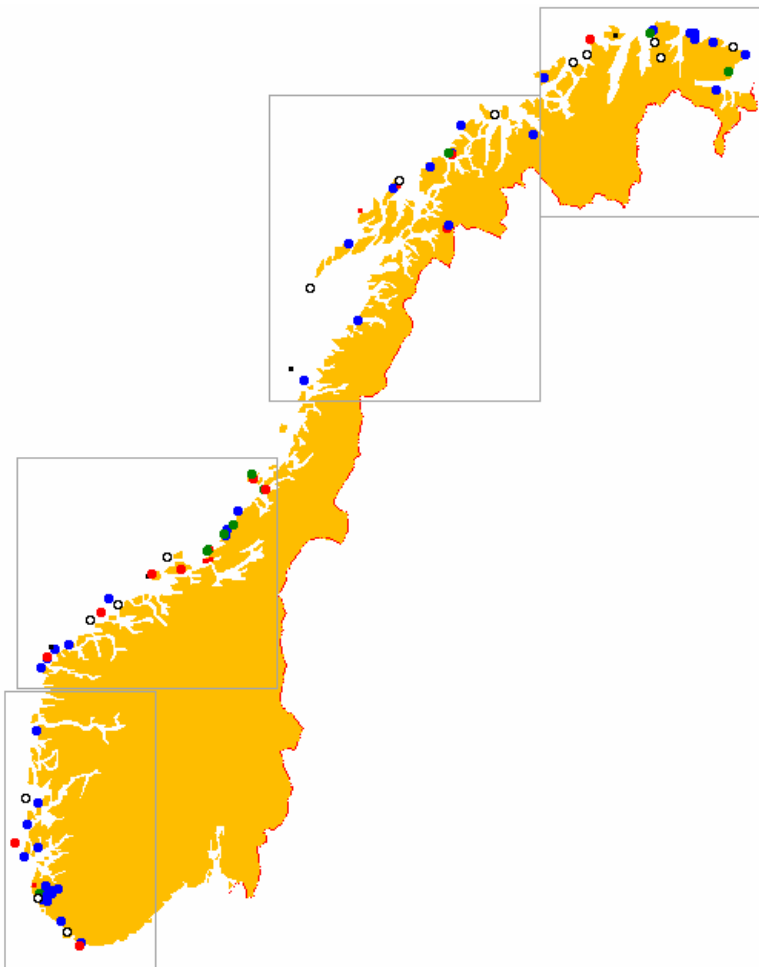
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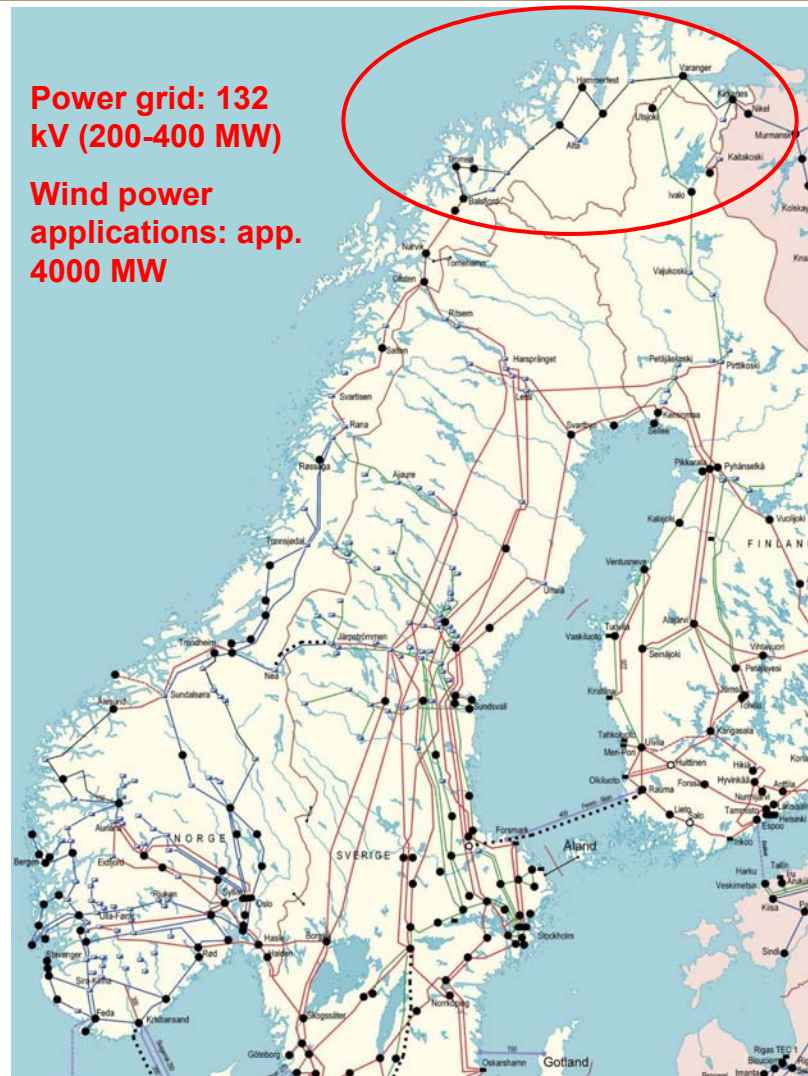
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# Technical Challenges

- Grid Connection and lack of transmission capacity



Reference: NVE, April 2006



Power grid: 132  
kV (200-400 MW)

Wind power  
applications: app.  
4000 MW

Reference: Nordel, April 2006



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# Wind Turbines - Beauties or Beasts?



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# Classical challenges:

- Nature and environment
- Birds and wind turbines



Smøla Wind Farm

# Challenges up North:

- Reindeer vs. Wind Power



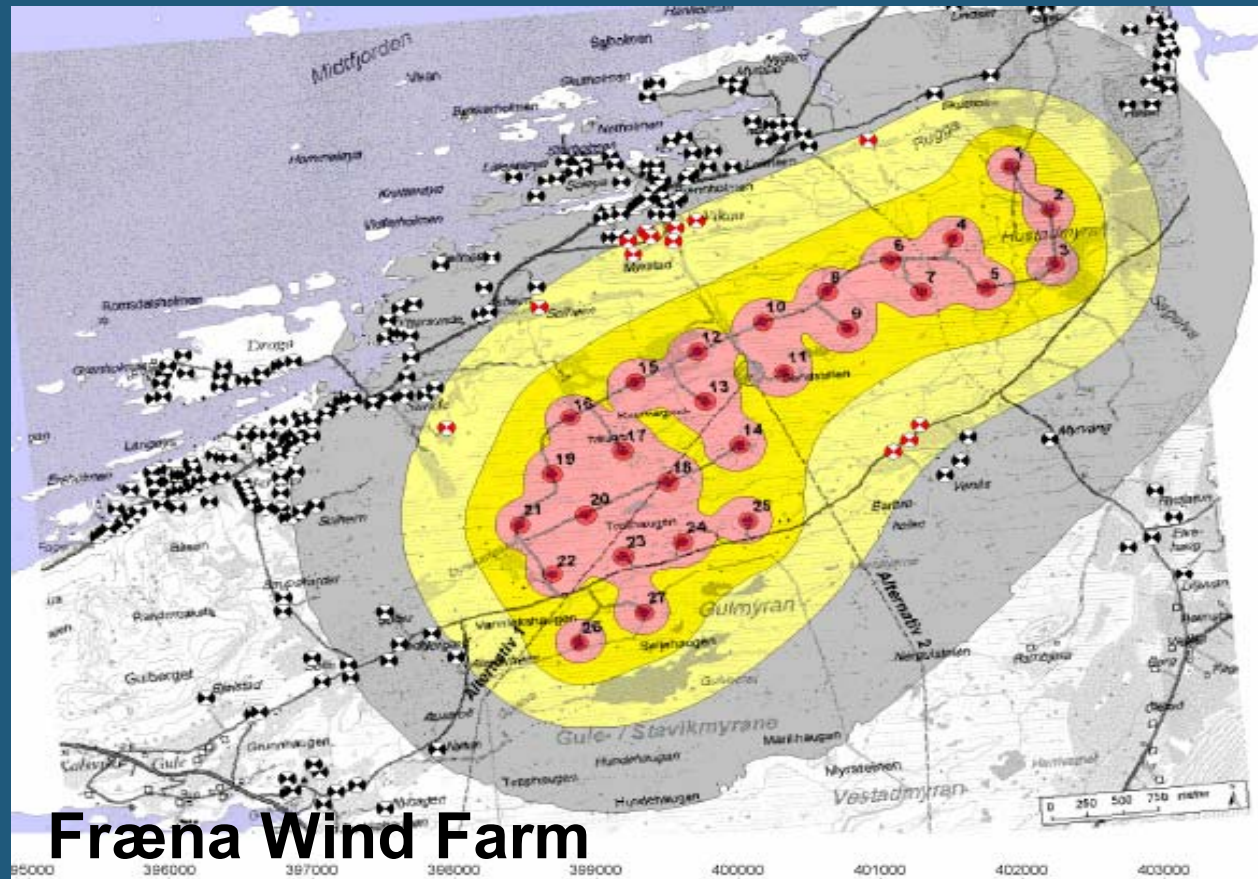


# 'Hardware' challenges:

Noise

Shadow Effects

Icing



**Fræna Wind Farm**



# Common Challenges:

Landscape

Cultural Heritage

Cultural Environment



Langevåg Wind Farm



Fræna Wind Farm

# “New” challenges:

- Tourism



Atlanterhavsveien - The Atlantic road



Not In My Back Yard?





# Summary:

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- **Norway has large potential for renewable energy**
  - **Wind power**
  - **Bio Energy**
  - **Wave and Tidal**
  - **Osmotic**
- **Also huge oil and gas reserves**
- **The future of hydrogen?**
- **Main challenges**
  - **Economy**
  - **Permission to build**
- **Opponents are increasing in number and power**
  - **Organizing against wind power**

