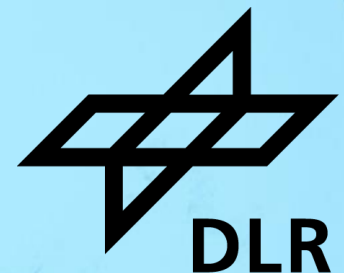


# SKILL WORKSHOP: AMIRIS

open **A**gent-based **M**arket model for the  
Investigation of **R**enewable and **I**ntegrated energy **S**ystems



# WELCOME

# Motivation

## Market Modelling with AMIRIS



### Transformation to **renewable-dominated** energy system

- > Rising shares of fluctuating renewable energies
- > Alignment of supply and demand challenging
- > Refinancing uncertain

### Energy systems are **complex systems**

- > Market actors' behaviour under uncertainty
- > Interdependencies of actors
- > Emergent and non-linear effects

### Aim

- Understand **market effects** of renewable energy integration
- Consider **actors' behaviour**, uncertainty and market distortions caused by regulatory framework
- Develop **policy instruments** to incite system-friendly investment and operational decisions

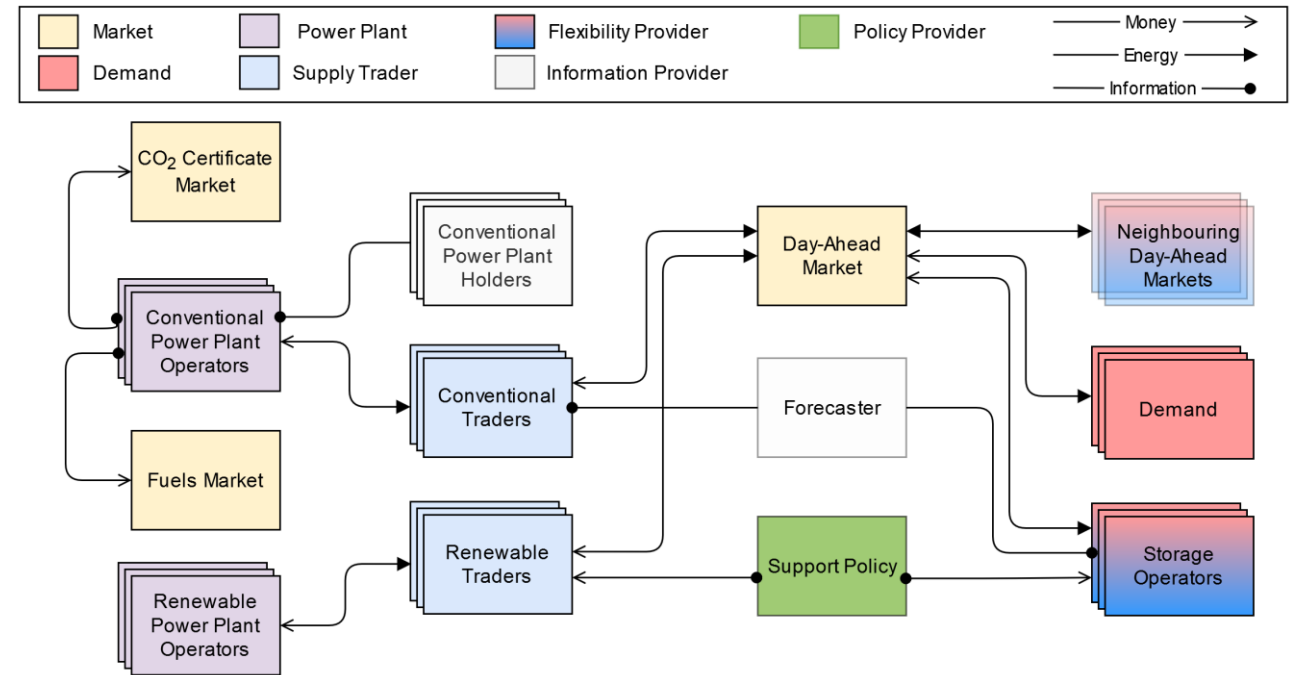
# Motivation

## Market Modelling with AMIRIS



- Simulate trading and operation of power generation plants and flexibility options
- Model business-oriented behaviour under uncertainty
- Temporal resolution:  $\leq$  hourly
- Spatial resolution: market zone(s)

Input	Output
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Power plant park</li> <li>▪ RES-E feed in potential</li> <li>▪ Demand</li> <li>▪ Efficiencies</li> <li>▪ Availabilities</li> <li>▪ Fuel prices</li> <li>▪ CO<sub>2</sub> prices</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Electricity prices</li> <li>▪ Plant dispatch, FLH</li> <li>▪ Market values</li> <li>▪ System costs</li> <li>▪ Costs for support instruments</li> <li>▪ CO<sub>2</sub> emissions</li> </ul>



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# WHO ARE YOU?

# AMIRIS: AGENTS

# AMIRIS

## Agent Types



### Markets

- Determine prices

### Plant operators

- Control power plants

### Traders

- Fulfil marketing strategies

### Flexibility providers

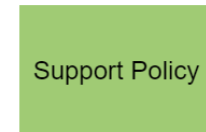
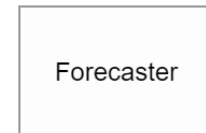
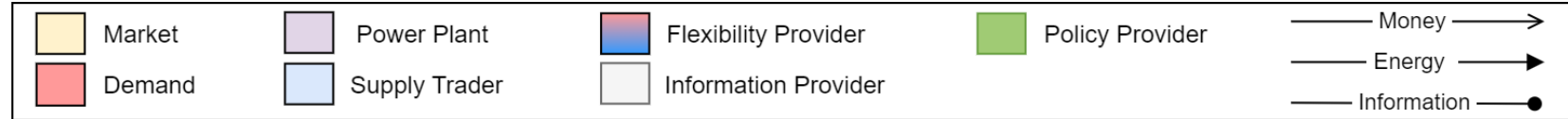
- Optimise dispatch

### Information provider

- Create forecasts

### Policy

- Provide support



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# AMIRIS: INTERACTIONS



# AMIRIS Interactions

## Renewables



### Power Plant Operator

- Calculate marginal cost
- Dispatch power plants

### Renewable Trader

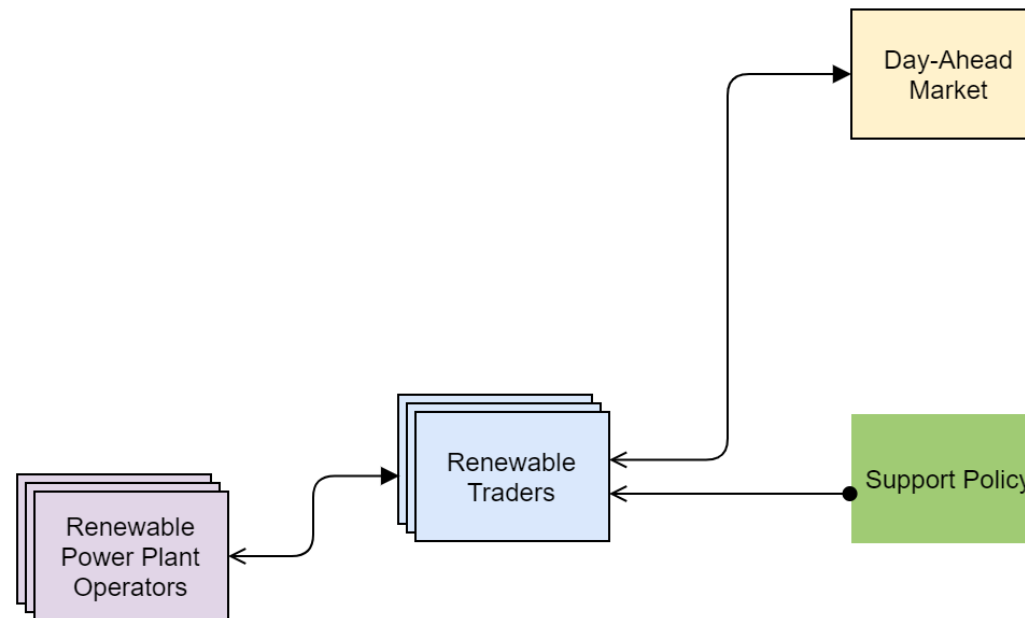
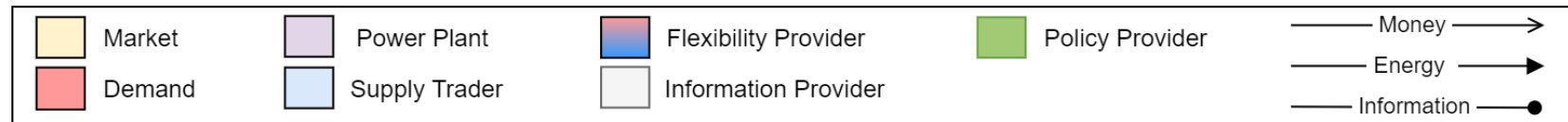
- Create bid
- Request support

### Support Policy

- Calculate support tariffs
- Provide support funding

### Day-Ahead Market

- Clears Market



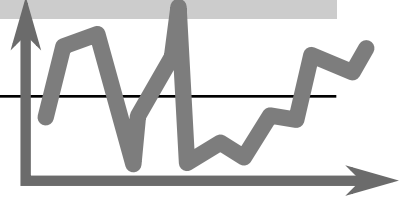
# Renewables

Power Plant Operator

## Actions

- 1) Calculate power potential
- 2) Calculate marginal costs
- 3) Send marginals to Trader
- 4) Receive assignment
- 5) Dispatch plants



Input parameter	Value
EnergyCarrier	WindOn
InstalledPowerInMW	1000
OpexVarInEURperMWh	10
YieldProfile	



MW	€/MWh
497	10



Trader

497 MW



Trader

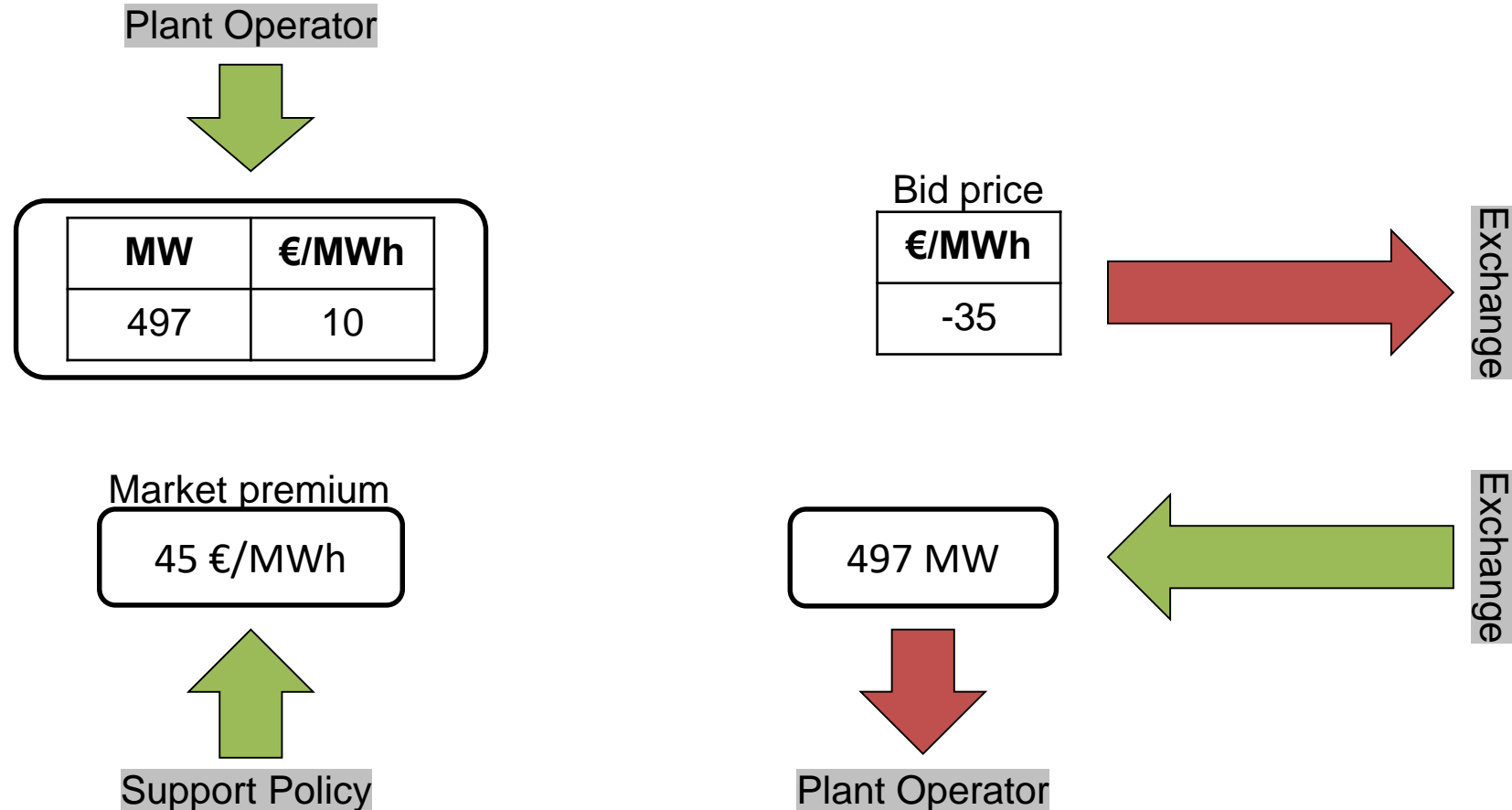
# Renewables

Trader



## Actions

- 1) *Receive marginal costs*
- 2) *Check support instrument*
- 3) *Derive bid*
- 4) *Send bids to Exchange*
- 5) *Receive awards*
- 6) *Forward power to operator*



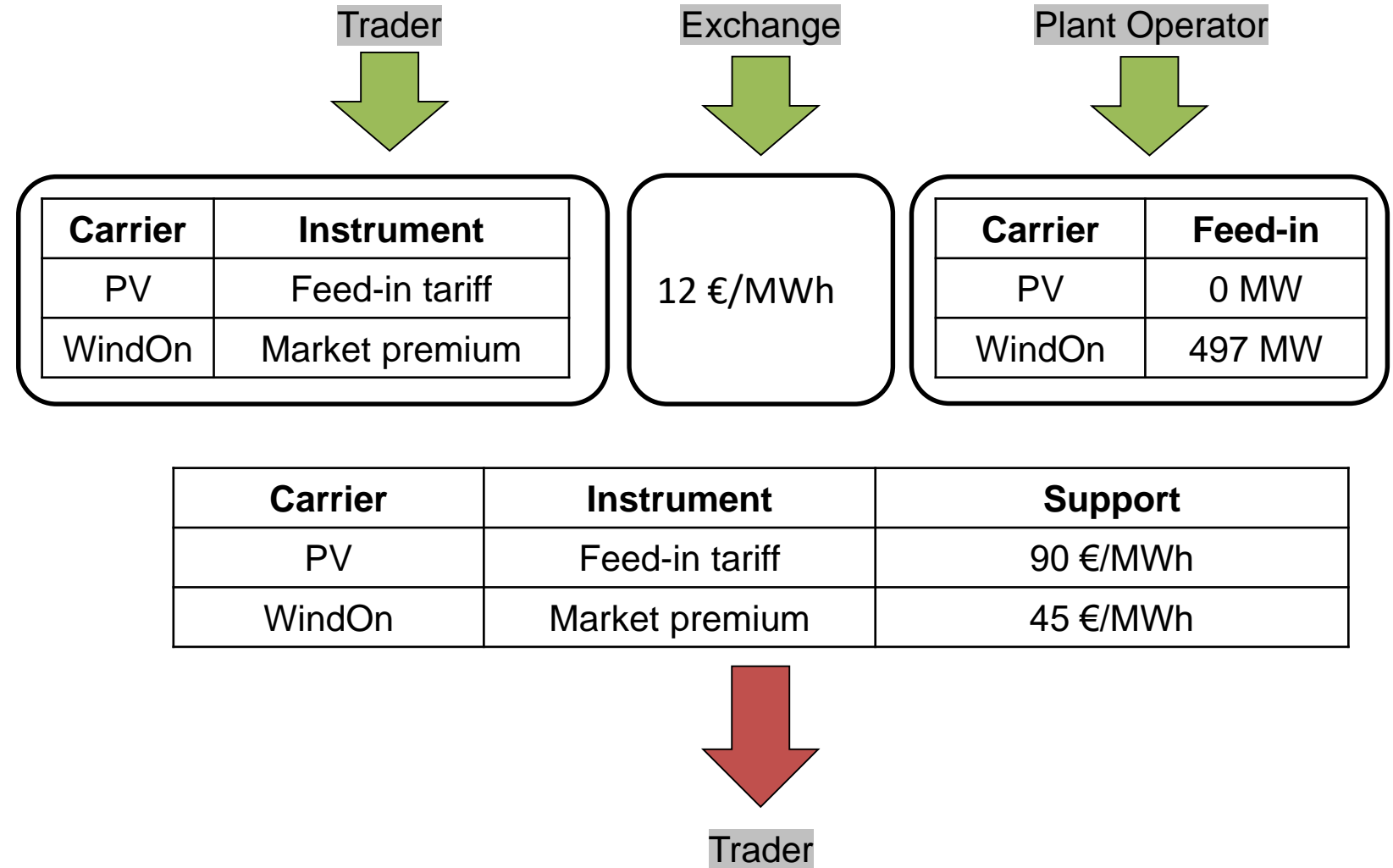
# Renewables

## Support Policy



### Actions

- 1) *Register clients*
- 2) *Track power prices*
- 3) *Track feed-in potentials*
- 4) *Calculate variable tariffs*
- 5) *Provide support*




# Demand

Trader

## Actions

- 1) *Create bid*
- 2) *Send bid(s) to Exchange*

Input parameter	Value
ValueOfLostLoad	3000
DemandSeries	



MW	€/MWh
1017	3000



Exchange

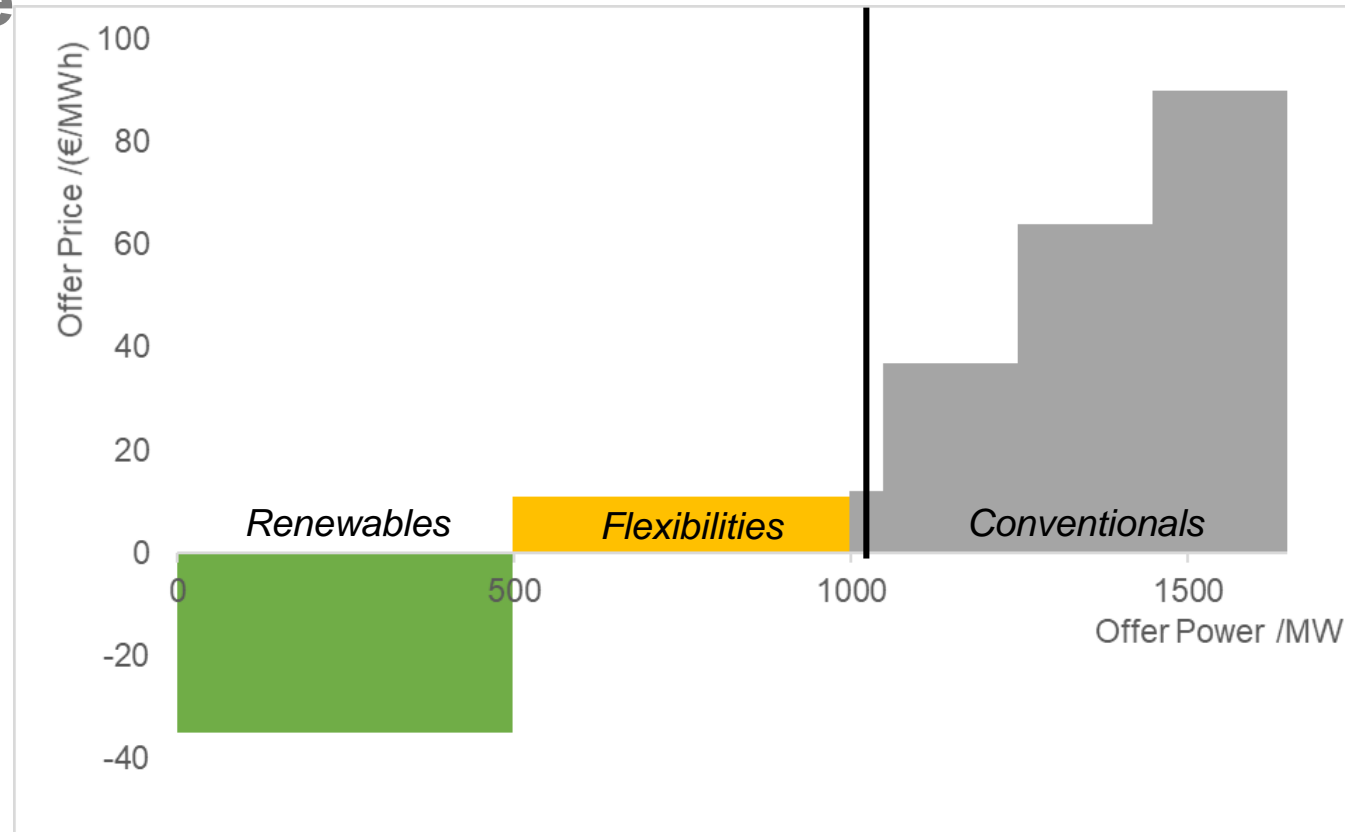
# Energy Exchange

## Market Clearing

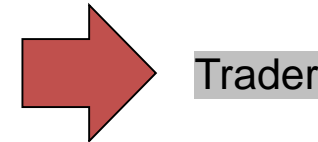


### Actions

- 1) *Receive bids*
- 2) *Clear market*
- 3) *Send awards*



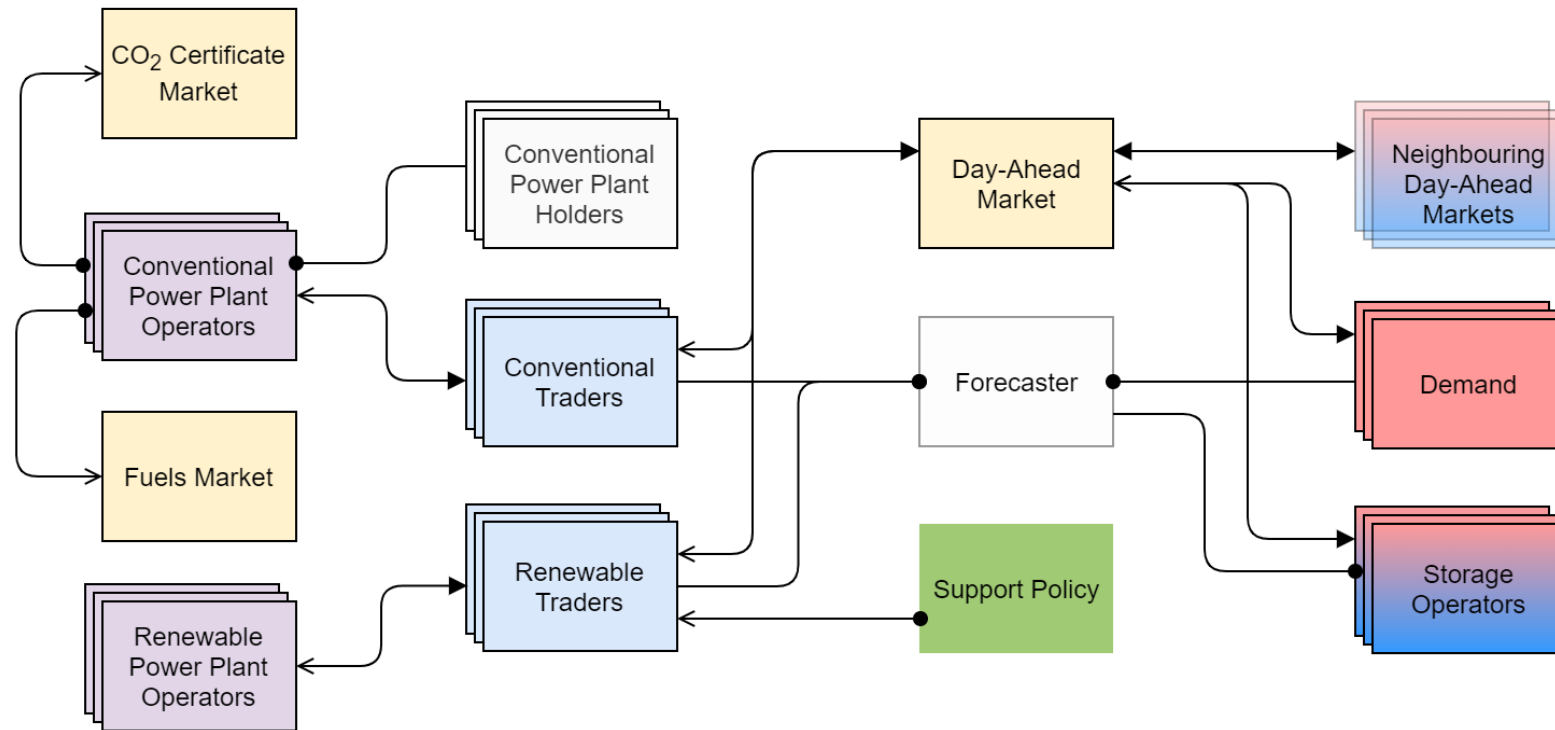
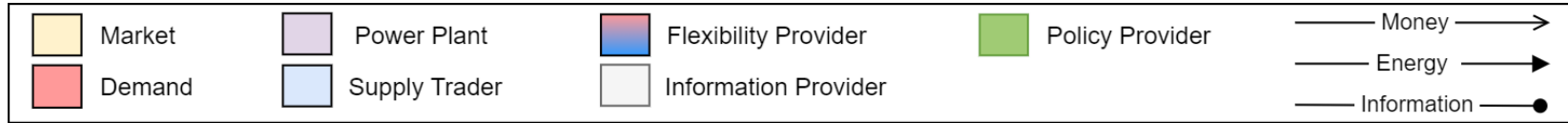
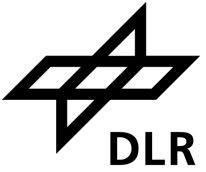
MW	€/MWh
497	12
500	12
20	12



Trader

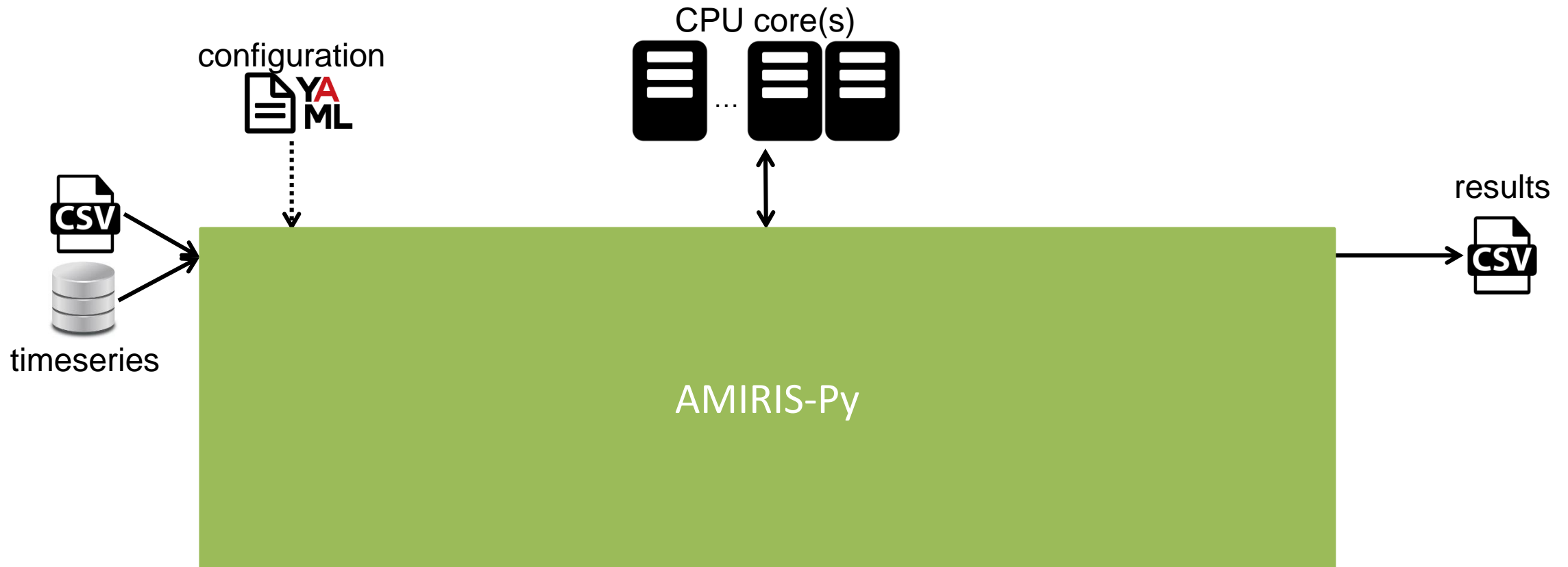
# AMIRIS Agents

## Overview



# AMIRIS is based on FAME

*open Framework for distributed Agent-based Modelling of Energy systems*





# AMIRIS: SETUP

# Setup

## Requirements



- Java JDK 11

```
(base) PS C:\> java --version
openjdk 11.0.9.1 2020-11-04
OpenJDK Runtime Environment AdoptOpenJDK (build 11.0.9.1+1)
OpenJDK 64-Bit Server VM AdoptOpenJDK (build 11.0.9.1+1, mixed mode)
```

- Obtain from, e.g., <https://adoptium.net/>

- Python 3.8 / 3.9

```
(base) PS C:\> python --version
Python 3.9.7
```

- Obtain from, e.g., <https://github.com/conda-forge/miniforge#mambaforge>

# Setup

## Python environment



- Create environment

```
(base) PS C:\> mamba create -n AmirisEnv python=3.8
```

- Activate environment

```
(base) PS C:\> conda activate AmirisEnv
```

- Install *amirispypy*

```
(AmirisEnv) PS C:\> pip install amirispypy
```

- Create folder:

```
(AmirisEnv) PS C:\> mkdir amiris; cd amiris
```




- Install *AMIRIS*:

```
(AmirisEnv) PS C:\amiris> amiris install
```

# Setup

## Files








-  examples ← configuration files
-  amiris-core\_2.0.0-alpha.8-jar-with-dependencies.jar ← AMIRIS executable
-  fameSetup.yaml ← ignore for now!

### examples/

-  Austria2019
  -  Germany2019
  -  Simple
- } three example scenarios

### Examples/Simple/

-  contracts
-  timeseries
-  LICENCE.md
-  scenario.yaml ← Important file: Defines what is happening in simulation
-  schema.yaml

# Setup

## Run AMIRIS



```
(AmirisEnv) PS C:\amiris> amiris run
usage: amiris run [-h] --jar JAR --scenario SCENARIO
                [--output OUTPUT]
amiris run: error: the following arguments are required: --jar/-j, --scenario/-s
```

## Required arguments

- -j AMIRIS executable
- -s Scenario file

```
(AmirisEnv) PS C:\amiris> amiris run -j .\amiris-core_2.0.0-alpha.8-jar-with-dependencies.jar
-s .\examples\Simple\scenario.yaml
```

## Console output

```
14:18:38 - PRINT - Start running AMIRIS
Starting up 1 processes.
Warm-up completed after 1 ticks.
04.10.2023 14:18:39:: Simulation completed! Ran 219 ticks in 258 ms
14:18:40 - PRINT - Successfully executed AMIRIS. See your results in '.'
```

examples  
scenario ← output in here  
amiris-core\_2.0.0-alpha.8-jar-with-dependencies.jar

# Setup

## Redirect output



```
(AmirisEnv) PS C:\amiris> amiris run -h
usage: amiris run [-h] --jar JAR --scenario SCENARIO [--output OUTPUT]

optional arguments:
  -h, --help            show this help message and exit
  --jar JAR, -j JAR     Path to 'amiris-core_<version>-jar-with-dependencies.jar'
  --scenario SCENARIO, -s SCENARIO
                        Path to a scenario yaml-file
  --output OUTPUT, -o OUTPUT
                        Directory to write output to
```

← use this

```
(AmirisEnv) PS C:\amiris> amiris run -j .\amiris-core_2.0.0-alpha.8-jar-with-dependencies.jar
-s .\examples\Simple\scenario.yaml -o simple
```

examples

simple ← output now in here

# Setup Results



- ConventionalPlantOperator.csv
- ConventionalPlantOperator\_DispatchedP...
- ConventionalPlantOperator\_VariableCost...
- ConventionalTrader.csv
- DemandTrader.csv
- EnergyExchange.csv ←
- NoSupportTrader.csv
- VariableRenewableOperator.csv

AgentId	TimeStep	TotalAwardedPowerInMW	ElectricityPriceInEURperMWH
1	01.01.2021 00:00	12431	267.4721054
1	01.01.2021 01:00	11416	262.9066734
1	01.01.2021 02:00	11163	260.8119727
1	01.01.2021 03:00	11036	257.4786831
1	01.01.2021 04:00	11192	256.4702082
1	01.01.2021 05:00	12177	256.2193284
1	01.01.2021 06:00	12685	256.2193284
1	01.01.2021 07:00	15222	259.7771467
1	01.01.2021 08:00	16491	260.2935264
1	01.01.2021 09:00	17125	257.9859146
1	01.01.2021 10:00	17378	255.7190453
1	01.01.2021 11:00	16997	255.4696391
1	01.01.2021 12:00	16237	257.2258181
1	01.01.2021 13:00	15476	256.4702082
1	01.01.2021 14:00	15222	259.5197279
1	01.01.2021 15:00	14968	262.3798356
1	01.01.2021 16:00	15095	265.3039864
1	01.01.2021 17:00	15729	265.8426993
1	01.01.2021 18:00	16491	264.7674623
1	01.01.2021 19:00	17505	263.1708901
1	01.01.2021 20:00	18012	260.035079
1	01.01.2021 21:00	17251	250.822094
1	01.01.2021 22:00	16744	0
1	01.01.2021 23:00	14968	0

A photograph of a solar tower power plant (CSP) under a clear blue sky. Numerous heliostats (mirrors) are mounted on tall poles in a field of green grass and yellow wildflowers. The mirrors are tilted to reflect sunlight. A dark teal horizontal bar is overlaid at the bottom of the image, containing the title text.

# PARAMETERISATION



# Parameterisation

Scenario: Main config file to bundle all simulation properties



Open: [examples/Germany2019/scenario.yaml](#)

## scenario.yaml

**schema**

*definition of valid agent and contract structures*

**general properties**

*simulation start/end time, random seed*

**variables**

*YAML anchors, optional*

**agents**

*which agents have what parameters*

**contracts**

*how and when agents interact*



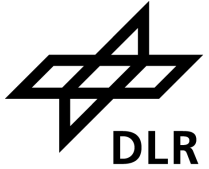
The name „scenario.yaml“ is arbitrary and can be changed.



You can split the scenario.yaml into separate files, e.g. schema, contracts, etc., and join them using **!include**, see <https://gitlab.com/fame-framework/fame-io#split-and-join-multiple-yaml-files>

# Parameterisation

## General Properties



- Define
  - start and end of simulation
  - which random seed to use

### GeneralProperties:

RunId: 1 ← ignore

### Simulation:

StartTime: 2018-12-31\_23:58:00

StopTime: 2019-12-31\_23:58:00

RandomSeed: 1

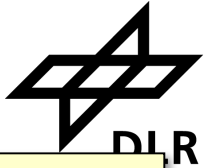
Output: ← ignore

 FAME's time definition **always** uses 365 days / 8760 hours per year, see also <https://gitlab.com/fame-framework/wiki/-/wikis/architecture/decisions/TimeStamp>

 YAML is indentation-based (2 spaces)

# Parameterisation

## Agents



- Define
  - agents
  - their type, ID, and attributes.
- Supported data types:
  - integer, floating point, enums, timeseries
- Supported structures
  - Any combination of block, list, flat
- Structure of attributes
  - depends on type of agent
  - is defined in schema



In YAML, dash is used to denote lists

### Agents:

```
- Type: EnergyExchange
  Id: 1
  Attributes:
    DistributionMethod: SAME_SHARES
    GateClosureInfoOffsetInSeconds: 11

- Type: CarbonMarket
  Id: 3
  Attributes:
    OperationMode: FIXED
    Co2Prices: "./timeseries/co2_price.csv"

- Type: FuelsMarket
  Id: 4
  Attributes:
    FuelPrices:
      - FuelType: LIGNITE
        Price: 5.00
        ConversionFactor: 1.0
      - FuelType: NATURAL_GAS
        Price: "./timeseries/natural_gas_cost.csv"
        ConversionFactor: 1.0
```



Time series attributes also support a single value.



Every agent **must** have a unique ID within the simulation.  
This is how agents address each other.

# Parameterisation

## Timeseries



Open: [examples/Germany2019/timeseries/co2\\_price.csv](examples/Germany2019/timeseries/co2_price.csv)

- Use case: time-dependent input
- File Format
  - Timestamp – semicolon – (dot-separated) floating point value
- Timestamps Format
  - YYYY-MM-DD\_hh:mm:ss
  - Refer to simulation time **!not!** UTC
  - Idea: Easily reapply timeseries from one year to another
- Missing data: AMIRIS will interpolate

timestamp value

↓ ↓

```
2019-01-07_00:00:00;23.01
2019-01-08_00:00:00;22.4
2019-01-10_00:00:00;21.4
2019-01-14_00:00:00;21.95
2019-01-15_00:00:00;22.55
2019-01-16_00:00:00;22.72
2019-01-17_00:00:00;23.55
2019-01-21_00:00:00;24.22
2019-01-22_00:00:00;24.42
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2019-01-28_00:00:00;23.01
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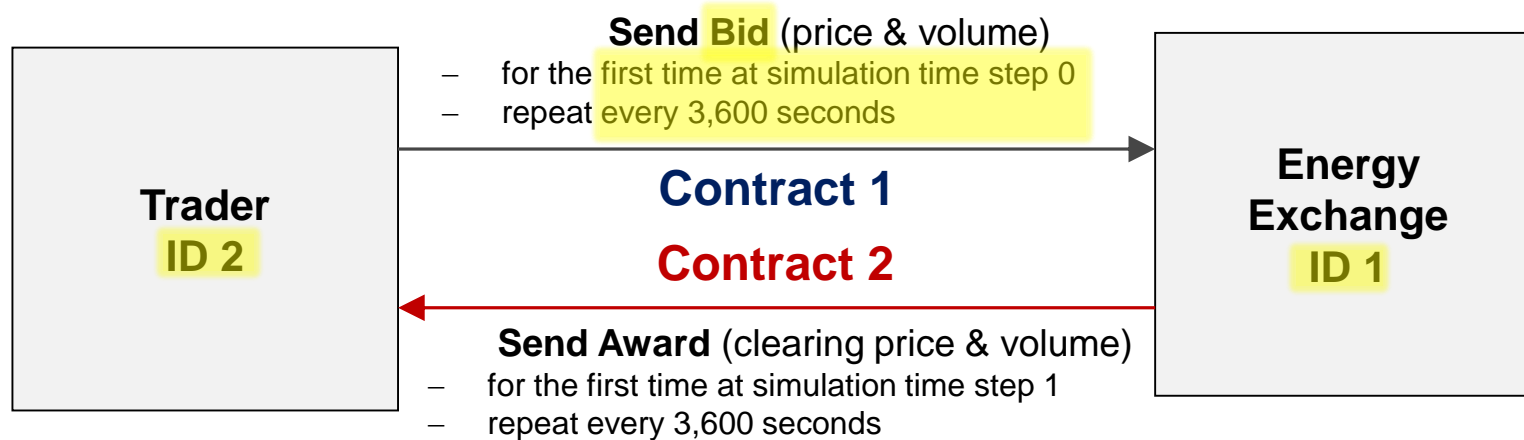
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# Parameterisation

## Contracts



Define **when** agents send **what** data to **which** other agents



 You **can** define agents without contracts: *they simply do nothing. There is no check!*

# Parameterisation

## Contracts: Advanced



Open: <examples/Germany2019/contracts/conventionals.yaml>

- Simulations often require *many* contracts!
- Contracts are often *similar*!
- Short notations available:
  - 1:N → one sender to multiple receivers
  - N:1 → one receiver from multiple senders
  - M:M → m senders, each to **one** of m receivers
- Sender / receiver lists *repeat* often!
- Use YAML anchors to replace similar lists
  - Define: &anchorName <something>
  - Reference: \*anchorName

### AgentGroups:

```
- &builders [2000, 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005]
- &traders [1000, 1001, 1002, 1003, 1004, 1005]
- &operators [500, 501, 502, 503, 504, 505]
- &exchange 1
- &carbonMarket 3
- &fuelsMarket 4
- &forecaster 6
```

anchors

### Contracts:

```
#####
# -- PlantBuildingManagement -- #
#####
- SenderId: *builders
  ReceiverId: *operators
  ProductName: PowerPlantPortfolio
  FirstDeliveryTime: -60
  DeliveryIntervalInSteps: 31536000

#####
# -- Forecast Preparation -- #
#####
- SenderId: *forecaster
  ReceiverId: *traders
  ProductName: ForecastRequest
  FirstDeliveryTime: -26
  DeliveryIntervalInSteps: 3600
```

comment

reference

# Parameterisation

## Schema



Open: [examples/Germany2019/schema.yaml](https://examples/Germany2019/schema.yaml)

### • Defines

- types of agents
- their contract products
- their attributes
- attribute types
- if attributes are mandatory / lists
- attribute value restrictions

```
- Type: EnergyExchange
  Id: 1
  Attributes:
    DistributionMethod: SAME_SHARES
    GateClosureInfoOffsetInSeconds: 11
```

### AgentTypes:

EnergyExchange:

#### Attributes:

DistributionMethod:

AttributeType: enum

Mandatory: true

List: false

Values: [ 'SAME SHARES', 'RANDOMIZE' ]

GateClosureInfoOffsetInSeconds:

AttributeType: integer

List: false

Mandatory: true

Products: [ 'Awards', 'GateClosureInfo' ]



Use to look up agent attributes & related types,  
see also <https://gitlab.com/dlr-ve/esy/amiris/amiris/-/wikis/Classes/Classes>



Do not tamper with this – it is derived from Java code  
and used to validate scenario inputs.

# GERMANY 2019: BASE SCENARIO



# GERMANY 2019: HIGH GAS PRICE

# GERMANY 2019: EXTRA PV

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# FINAL REMARKS

# AMIRIS

Following FAIR4RS Principles



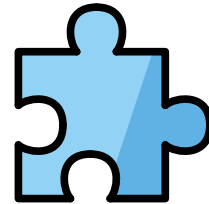
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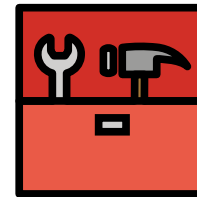
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## Key Indicators

**Users**

- 12 confirmed external user
- 4 bugs reported

**PhD candidates**

- 4 internal
- 3 external

**Visibility**

- 14k views on Wikipedia
- 9k views on openmod

**Software**

- 39 releases
- 60k downloads

- Apply to your market zone
- Look at effects of different
  - weather years
  - policy schemes
  - fuel prices
- Assess
  - system cost,
  - market prices
  - agent refinancing

*Comparison of Support Schemes for Renewables: German Case Study of project TradeRES,  
Friday, 15:50h, Room 3*

# Use AMIRIS



## Use AMIRIS

- Report difficulties
- Ask questions in forum
- Create / publish scenarios
- Cite AMIRIS at [JOSS](#)

## Make us enhance AMIRIS

- Report issues / bugs
- Post ideas in forum
- Make feature requests

## Enhance AMIRIS yourself

- Improve / modify agents
- Sign Contributor License Agreement
- Make pull requests

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