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# Flex4RES status

### Flexibility for Variable Renewable Energy Integration in the Nordic Energy System

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# **Hypotheses**



**Comparative advantages of combining different energy markets**, both with respect to flexibility, but also with respect to synergy and economics.

The Nordic power market is well functioning despite a few technical challenges.

With the right coupling to the underlying national and local energy markets for heat, gas, and transport fuels, enough flexibility can be generated in a cost efficient way and so embrace a larger amount of VRE.

Holistic system approach to the Nordic Energy system with flexibility obtained across energy markets with respect to flexibility at the power markets.

### **Integrated Coherent Energy Systems**





### Challenges in a larger perspective



### Energy system integration

Energy Efficiency Biomass Supply

Infrastructure

Regulation & market design

# **Objectives**



### The primary objective of Flex4RES is to

Identify and assess regulatory and technical pathways towards coherent Nordic energy systems

### The secondary objectives are to:

a) Estimate the potentials and costs of flexibility in the Nordic power market created by the coupling of and increased interaction between different energy markets (electricity, heat, gas and transportation).

Estimate the need for flexibility in the future Nordic power market.

- a) Identify regulatory and technological barriers.
- b) Develop coherent regulatory frameworks and market designs that facilitate energy market couplings that are optimal for the Nordic conditions in an EU context.
- a) Adapt a high-resolution Nordic energy market model covering heat, power and transport for quantification of the impacts of different market couplings, regulatory frameworks and market designs. Estimate the cost and benefits of a coherent energy system framework.

# **Work Packages**

#### WP1: Flexibility need and potentials

- Task 1.1 Review and Method development
- Task 1.2 Flexibility potential cost curves, Technology catalogue
- Task 1.3 Flexibility need, uncertainty and impact on reserve need

#### **WP2: Framework conditions**

- Task 2.1 Review of existing framework conditions
- Task 2.2 The Nordic energy system designs
- Task 2.3 Market integration, frameworks, and market designs
- Task 2.4 Coherent market scenario set-ups
- Task 2.5 Pathways to a flexible Nordic energy system

#### WP3: Energy system analysis of integrating energy systems

- Task 3.1 Model update / adaption
- Task 3.2 Market coupling analyses
- Task 3.3 Analytical results: comparison and interpretation

#### WP 4: Policy recommendations

Task 4.1 Economic impact of VRE and flexibility Task 4.2 Creating a sustainable and stable Nordic energy System

#### WP 5: Dissemination and capacity building

Task 5.1 Website, LinkedIn, and Newsletter

- Task 5.2 Advisory board meetings
- Task 5.3 Workshops/Seminars



## **Gantt chart**



### 3,5 years - September 2015 - March 2019

WORK PACKAGES AND TASKS	Lead	Start month (beg. of)	End month (end of)	<b>h</b> 0 12 24 36	
WP1 Flexibility need and potentials	ктн		_		-
Task 1.1: Review and Method development	KTH	1	10		
Task 1.2: Flexibility potential cost curves & Technology catalogue	e RTU	1	18		
Task 1.3: Flexibility need, uncertainty and impact on reserve need	d DTU Wind	3	12		
Task 1.4: From technical to realisable potentials	DTU MAN	10	22		
WP2 Framework conditions	DTU MAN				
Task 2.1: Review of existing framework conditions	RTU	1	12		
Task 2.2: Barriers for an intensified coupling	KTH	7	20		
Task 2.3: Market integration, frameworks, and market designs	DTU MAN	12	33		
Task 2.4: Coherent Market Scenario Set-Ups	NMBU	19	30		
Task 2.5: Pathways to a Flexible Nordic Energy System	Aalto	28	38		
WP3 Energy System Analysis of integrating energy systems	NMBU				
Task 3.1: Model update / adaption	NMBU	1	32		
Task 3.2: Market Coupling Analyses	DTU MAN	10	38		
Task 3.3: Analytical Results: Comparison and Interpretation	KTH	6	40		
WP4 Policy recommendations	Aalto				
Task 4.1: Potentials of and Barrier for VRE and Flexibility		14	20		
Task 4.2: Economic Impact of VRE and Flexibility		34	42		
Task 4.3: Creating a Sustainable and Stable Nordic Energy Syst	em	36	42		ī
WP5 Dissemination and capacity building	DTU				
Task 5.1: Website, LinkedIn, and Newsletter		1	42		
Task 5.2: Advisory board meetings		6	40		
Task 5.3: Workshops/Seminars		9	42		

## Status 29/3 - 2015

WP1: Case: District heating

Initial district heating data: Obtained from S, SF, Dk, Ee, Lt, Li
Initial Technology report = available reports: Obtained from S, Ee, Dk
Initial Flexibility potentials = estimated levels in available reports: Obtained from S, Should be delivered, end of March-16

This work will be finished within a month.

#### WP2:

- Survey of District heating frameworks in Nordics + Baltic Comparative study of the surveys will be finished within the next 2 weeks Report for DH finished within a month
- 3 abstracts + 1 paper have been submitted to conferences

#### WP3:

- PhD course Balmorel model
- Model versions at NMBU, DTU and RamLØSE is currently being harmonized (completed by mid April) Prepared implementation of version control (traning session for all WP-participants to be organized April 1st)
- Next steps (Q2-16)
  - Add new and better data for Baltic region (April/May)
  - Add new and better heat market data
  - Conduct test model runs for discussion with other WPs

#### WP5 - dissemination

- several abstracts and 1 conference papers have been submitted from WP2
- Newsletter no 2 is planned to mid April.
- LinkedIn page
- Web site ?????





Kick-off at DTU in November





# Stakeholder involvement & Dissemination



## **Newsletter**



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Flex4RES newsletter #1, January 2016

Flex4RES Flexible Nordic Energy Systems

### The flagship project Flex4RES has set sail

Dear Klaus Skytte,

Welcome to this first newsletter from the Flex4RES project.

The Flex4RES project investigates how an intensified interaction between coupled energy markets, supported by coherent regulatory frameworks, can facilitate the integration of variable renewable energy (VRE). This may in turn ensure stable, sustainable and cost-efficient Nordic energy systems.

There is a comparative advantage of combining different energy markets, both with respect to flexibility, but also with respect to synergy and economics.

## **Research partners**

Organisation / Institution	Country
DTU, Management Engineering, Systems Analysis	Denmark
NMBU, Institutt for Naturforvaltning	Norway
KTH, Electric Power Systems	Sweden
Aalto U, Applied Physics/New energy techn.	Finland
Riga Technical U, Energy Systems & Env	Latvia
DTU, Wind Energy	Denmark
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NIFU	Norway
Stockholm School of Economics	Sweden
Tallinn University of Technology	Estonia



# Advisory board- confirmed partners



## Thank you for your interest



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