# Interdependencies between energy, climate and peace policy targets and technical flexibility options

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## **Different Policy targets**

- Energy Policy Targets
  - Secure energy supply
  - Affordable energy supply
  - Sustainable energy supply
  - (Socially viable energy supply)

### • Climate Policy Targets

- Mitigation: Reduction of global greenhous gas emissions
- Adaptation: Adequate adaption to climate impact hazards

### • Peace Policy Targets

- Prevent armed conflicts
- Stabilize instable regions
  - Unemployment, Energy poverty, Corruption





# **Conceptual background: Public policy framework**



- Underlying synergies or trade-offs among social goals
- Externalities that justify political support
- Policy instruments that cure market or government failures
- Science: critical inquiry in relationships, whilst making value judgments transparent

Source: Edenhofer , Seyboth, Creutzig, Schlömer (2013) On the sustainability of renewable energy sources, Annu. Rev. Environ. Resources, 38: 169-200 https://www.pik-potsdam.de/members/edenh/publications-1/ARER\_Edenhofer\_et\_al\_051012145344.pdf

### **Selected Technical Flexibility Options**

### • Power Grids

- Enhance geographical exchange possibilities
- Large-area pooling can reduce balancing issues

### • RES-Power 2 gas

Use the gas grid as storage, geographical, intertemporal & intersectoral exchange possibilities



# A Green Corridor for Europe Connecting the EU and the Balkans

- Vision articulated by Global Climate Forum (GCF), Germanwatch supports this vision
- Think different infrastructure investments together to increase efficiency in planning and construction:
  - train tracks, roads,
  - electricity transmission lines
  - broadband internet
- Offer the Western Balkans a future of stability and prosperity (-> Policy targets: Peace & Employment)
- Electricity grid expansion: Necessary precondition for RES integration in this region (-> Policy targets: Secure & Sustainable Energy Supply, Climate Mitigation)

Source: Diana Mangalagiu, Frank Meissner, Jahel Mielke, Carlo Jaeger (2016) A green corridor for Europe connecting the EU and the Balkans, /// http://www.globalclimateforum.org/fileadmin/ecf-documents/pdf/Microsoft\_Word\_-\_Green\_Corridor\_Study\_GCF.docx.pdf

### **Existing Train Corridors**

#### Figure 15: Corridors in South-East Europe



Source: RailwayPro (2014)

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### **Eletricity transmission lines in WB6**





Source: Balkan Energy Overview, http://balkangreenfoundation.org/file/repository/Balkan\_Energy\_Overview.pdf

### **EU Integration and GDP/capita**

Figure 21: Status of EU integration and economic situation (GDP per capita in USD2013)



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Source: Bieri (2015)

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### Active electritiy generation capacities

Country	Albania	BiH	Kosovo	Macedonia	Montenegro	Serbia	Total (MW)
Source							
Thermal power plants	0	1,856	1,171	800	218.5	3,905	7,950.5
Hydro	1,797	2,150.44	49.42	699	667.7	2,898	8,261.56
Wind	0	0.30	1.35	36.8	0	0.5	38.95
Solar	0	8.71	0.1	16.7	0	10.8	36.31
Total in WB	1,797	4,026.45	1,221.87	1,552.5	886.2	6,814.3	16,287.32



Source: Balkan Energy Overview, http://balkangreenfoundation.org/file/repository/Balkan\_Energy\_Overview.pdf

### **RES Target Fulfillments**



Graph 2. Percentage of RES reached



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### **RES-Electricity from Russia: RUSTEC**

- Vision articulated by IFC Worldbank (International Finance Corporation)
- North-West of Russia:
  - Particularly favorable and cost-efficient onshore wind (comparable to offshore in North Sea),
  - Biomass (forestry industry), small hydro
- Wind in North-West Russia
  - Local competition with nuclear, will only be installed if exports to EU are underlying idea
  - Benefit RU: Develop Russian Wind-industry
  - Benefit EU: Fulfill RES-targets (joint project under Directive 2009/28/EC)
  - New interconnection required



Figure 1: Existing interconnection capacity and network reinforcement plans Sources: ENSTO-E grid map,<sup>vi</sup> together with Artemyev (2011) and Ivannikov (2011)



Source: Boute, A., & Wilems, P. (2012). RUSTEC: Greening Europe's Energy Supply by Developing Russia's Renewable Energy Potential. Energy Policy 51 (2012) 618–629

### **RES-Electricity from Russia: RUSTEC**



- Cultural aspect:
  - Russia conceives itself as a nation that exports fossil fuels
  - Built-Up of a national RES industry prerequisite for transition
  - Euros in RES-Projects potentially avoid the fossil corruption route

Source: Boute, A., & Wilems, P. (2012). RUSTEC: Greening Europe's Energy Supply by Developing Russia's Renewable Energy Potential. Energy Policy 51 (2012) 618–629

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# Long-term vision: Wind-Gas from Russia

- In northern Russia, wind potentials are very good
- Generate Gas from the surplus wind-electricity exploited in relatively empty northern regions
- Alternative to fossil industry jobs
- Use existing gas pipelines to export to Europe
- Provide system flexibility through CO2-neutral gas imports in Europe
- CO2 for methanisation could come from CCU with biomass plants
- Basic idea: Without an alternative to fossil industry Russia will never transition to a low-carbon economy



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