# **CMAEL-GUSEE** BIENNAL JOINT MEETING 2023

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## Agenda





## Introduction to Terna TSO

#### WHO'S TERNA

- Responsible for the planning, development and maintenance of the national transmission grid (NTG) and for the management of the electricity flows.
- It operates under a monopoly regime according to the rules of the Regulatory Authority for Energy, Networks and the Environment (ARERA) and the guidelines of the Ministry of the Environment and Energy Security (MATE).
- First independent operator in Europe for km of lines managed.
- Owner of 99,7% of transmission grid.



#### ELECTRICAL DEMAND

- 340 TWh highest annual demand (2007)
- **60,5** GW historical peak load (22 July 2015)
- 38% of electrical load covered by RES (2020)

#### THE GRID





## Italian power system trend



Total installed capacity of wind & solar\* (GW)

#### Annual installations of wind & solar (GW)

**Electricity demand (TWh)** 



2005 2006 2007 2008 2009 2010 2011 2012 2013 2014 2015 2016 2017 2018 2019 2020 2021 2022

#### RES-E share\*\* (%)



(\*) Source: Terna. 2022 data is provisional and potentially subject to updates (\*\*) Source: Eurostat, Transparency Terna for 2022 (preliminary)

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## **European and National packages for Climate and Energy**





1. These will be analysed by the Commission with an overall assessment and country-specific recommendations published in December 2023. Taking these recommendations into account, Italy is then required to submit its final NECP by 31 December 2024.

## Italian RES increase to meet Eu climate targets



## 2030 targets for electricity sector

On 30 June 2023, the Italian Ministry of Environment and Energy Security (MASE) submitted to the Commission the draft updated integrated National Energy and Climate Plans (NECP) for the period 2021-2030.

#### Updated national targets for 2030<sup>2</sup>:

- Reduction of GHG by 62% (as compared to 2005 levels) for all plants subject to the EU ETS
- RES share in electricity consumption of 65%
- Total wind and solar installed capacity of ≈108 GW

1. Draft updated NECP submitted to the Eu Commission in June 2023

2. NECP 2023: Policy scenario. The scenario developed considering the measures planned in June 2023, will be updated with the submission of the final NECP by June 2024

## The new paradigm: impacts of renewable power's growth on system operations

The Electricity System is going through a **deep change across the whole value chain**, from generation to consumption. The increasing penetration of RES and the continued decommissioning of conventional thermal capacity **pose new challenges to TSOs** 





## Grid connections request from renewable energy

#### SOLAR & WIND CONNECTION REQUEST -

The **connection applications** to the national electricity transmission grid differs significantly from the «Fit-for-55» reference scenario in terms of **volume**, **distribution** and **technology mix**.

The effective realization of these projects may require additional network reinforcements.







1. Delta between 2019 and 2030 scenario «Fit-for-55» (FF55)

2. Data net of connection requests received in MV/LV. For more information on the evolution of connection requests, see Econnextion

3. Sum of distributed solar and utility-scale

## New capacity from Energy Storage System to reach the Fit-for-55 targets



1. Delta between 2019 and 2030 scenario «Fit-for-55» (FF55)

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2. Corresponding to ~15 GW of energy storage (the calculation is made taking into account the different hours of operation of three technologies, on average equal to 6 operating hours)

## Econnextion platform: map of renewable connections

## Econnextion

Earlier this year, Terna has developed a digital platform that, for the first time, centralises all information on high-voltage connection requests from renewable plants in Italy.

#### Main charts:

- Requests by type of source (solar, wind onshore and off-shore) in terms of number and power. Data grouped by regional/ provincial/ municipal level and status of the application
- Comparison of connection requests and the
  2030 target set by the Fit for 55 package

The dashboard is updated every three months (<u>https://www.terna.it/en/electric-system/grid/econnextion</u>)

#### Data on the geographic location



# PV and wind power initiatives by market area, compared to FF55 targets





# 375<sub>GW</sub>



#### **Requests by autorization status**



## Request by region and source





## **Requests to connect off-shore wind parks - Econnextion**

# **93**GW



**Requests by type of plant** 

### **Requests by autorization status**



## Request by region and type



## **Requests to connect off-shore wind parks**

#### HIGHLIGHTS

- Wind off-shore connection applications are 11 times higher than in 2030 policy scenario. As of june 2023, Terna received connection requests for ~100 GW, as compared to the 8.5 GW foreseen by the FF55 scenario
- The average size of wind offshore projects is very large (~45% > 700 MW)
- Approx. 81% of the connection applications are in the Southern peninsula and main islands, where the primary energy source is available and higher producibility is expected
- The regions showing most significant initiatives are Apulia, Sicily and Sardinia
- The floating solutions may be suitable for the bathymetry of the Mediterranean Sea, which is characterized by depths of several hundred meters just a few km away from the coast

#### ITALY - OFFSHORE WIND FARM PROJECTS MAP



Update: June 2023



## Requests to connect CP substations & energy intensive industries - Econnextion





#### **Requests by autorization status**

**Requests by type of plant** 



#### Request by region and type







The 2023 Development Plan is issued in a historic moment that increasingly places the theme of energy at the center.

In this context, Terna must design a network capable of supporting progressive decarbonization and increasing **integration of renewables** while ensuring **efficiency**, **security and resilience** of the electricity system.

This challenge requires an effort to **plan**, **authorize and realize** grid infrastructures that is unprecedented in Italy.

The big news is the introduction of the innovative **Hypergrid project**, which will use the technologies of high-voltage direct current power transmission (HVDC) to achieve the goals of transition and energy security set by the European directive «Fit-for-55».

To meet these challenging goals, the 2023 NDP foresees **innovative and enabling solutions** (DC circuit breakers, 5-phases pylons, series compensation, capital light, etc.)



Network Development Plan 2023



Compared to the NDP 2021



#### **MAIN DRIVERS**

The NDP 2023 applies an **integrated and holistic planning approach** taking into account the whole electric power system.

- Synergies with existing and not fully exploited assets, enhancing the use of existing corridors through innovative DC or AC solutions with increased transport capacity
- Reuse of network infrastructures already decommissioned or in decommissioning, located in the area of strong network nodes
- Increasing security of National Transmission Grid, strengthening the grid with DC technology to increase the grid transfer capacity
- **Grid developments modularity** according to the amount of RES power plants in commissioning and expected to be connected to the grid





## **Italian National Development Plan 2023**

#### **HYPERGRID PROJECT**

- Hypergrid will support and accelerate energy source diversification and climate neutrality, increasing the NTC bidirectionality among all the Italian market zones. The new HVDC links will ensure operational flexibility, strengthening the grid in synergy with existing and underexploited assets and allowing a modular configuration.
- The planned corridors are:
  - ✓ HVDC Milano Montalto
  - ✓ Central Link
  - ✓ Sardinian Corridor<sup>1</sup>
  - ✓ Ionian Tyrrhenian Corridor<sup>2</sup>
  - ✓ Adriatic Corridor<sup>3</sup>

## +16 GW

Transfer capacity across all bidding zones

# ~11 BIn€

*Total value over ten-year horizon (23-32) and beyond* 





2. HVDC Priolo-Rossano and HVDC Rossano – Montecorvino - Latina

3. HVDC Foggia-Villanova-Fano-Forlì

## **RES** integration in the Italian transmission system: action plan





## Strategies to develop the skills needed for energy transition



### 1. Industry and academia cooperation

Open collaborations with universities, research centers and testing hub to promote innovation and the networks "smartization" of (e.g. Terna-EnSiEL protocol)



#### 2. Development of internal skills

Develop figures with technological, digital and strategic skills able to manage the electricity system of the future and lead the evolution of energy markets (Terna Academy)

#### 3. Tailored training

Financing university master's degrees and courses for the training of resources of excellence, the transfer and development of business know-how (e.g. Tyrrenyan Lab)







#### Centre of excellence to foster technological & digital skills

Between 2022 and 2025, Terna is planning to train more than 150 highly expert professionals with a 12-month university master's degree regarding the key strategic skills to address the challenge

- Topics: management of low inertia zerocarbon systems; technologies applied to operation and planning; system protection, automation and control; interaction of the electrical system with the electricity market
- · Courses will include both classroom study and field experience
- After master graduates, is foreseen an internship experience (4 months) at the end of which will be the recruitment by Terna

#### Collaboration with universities and research centres

The Master, organized in collaboration with the Universities of Cagliari, Palermo and Salerno, will help to develop managerial, computer engineering and statistical skills



To create the professionals of interest to Terna, it is essential to strengthen existing collaborations with universities and develop new ones to build together study and research paths aimed to develop specialist skills not even present in the market.

The **T-Lab project is part of** the **Tyrrhenian Link** a strategic infrastructure included in Terna Development Plan, which will link, through marine and terrestrial cables, the Regions of **Campania, Sicily and Sardinia** 

The **Tyrrhenian Lab is a sustainable project**, which will boost the entire electricity system and valorize the southern Italy territory.



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