Roundtable: grid integration of RES

- Several grid operators sent slides presenting relevant grid issues for RES integration (congestion, curtailment, grid safety...) on their networks. These include:

ENEL Endesa, Canary and Balearic Islands actor

EDF SEI, French island DSO

HEDNO, Greek DSO



Endesa: Canary and Balearic Islands, Spain

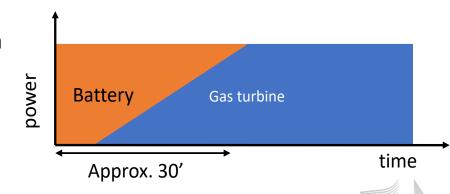
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Key drivers:

- Potential high curtailment as RES penetration increases.
- Generation mix: aged thermal generation mostly based on oil, not adapted to current flexibility needs.
- Lack of storage capacity.

Challenges:

- Significant security of supply risk in the short term (reserve margin is 10%).
- The need for significant spinning reserve, with several groups required to connect at low load. This
 reduces room for RES integration, leading to curtailments.
- Regulated regime: current generation facilities cannot be upgraded or modernised (i.e. flexibility upgrades) unless authorized by the Ministry following a tender procedure, yet to be launched.
- Potential solution (among others):
 - To modernize and decarbonize thermal generation by hybridization with batteries to provide reserve. The thermal generator does not need to be running since the battery would immediately inject energy in case of need, covering the time to startup the generator.
 - Delivers fuel savings and emission reduction.
 - Markets parties to invest in stand alone storage capacity rather that SOs.



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- Delay of power restoration following a voltage sag for DERs with zero power mode (required for all DERs > 10 kVA in SEI operated islands)?
- EDF SEI requires the DERs to restore their power in 100 ms after a voltage sag. What delay is required by other DSOs?



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- Curtailments for technical reasons
- Production level depends on Weather conditions (peak of load different from peak of RES production)
- Load changes significantly during the year / during the day
- Currently impossible to avoid thermal units
- Telecommunication Issues

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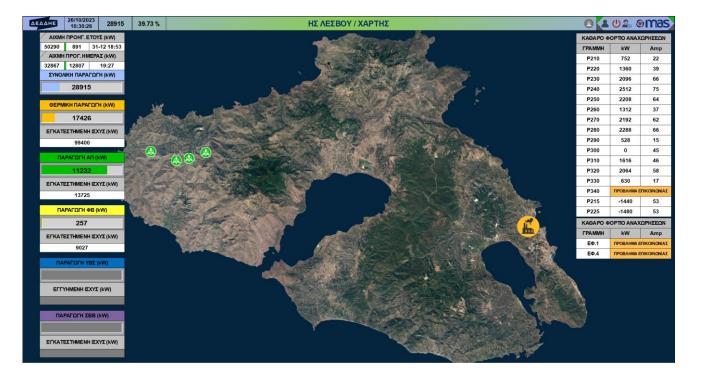
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- Large transients that instantaneously trigger several load shedding levels result in severe overvoltages (up to 1.3 p.u.)
- SynCon have the ability to both spread the load shedding levels over time thanks to their inertia but also to better maintain the voltage within an acceptable range. Do other TSOs face the same phenomenon?



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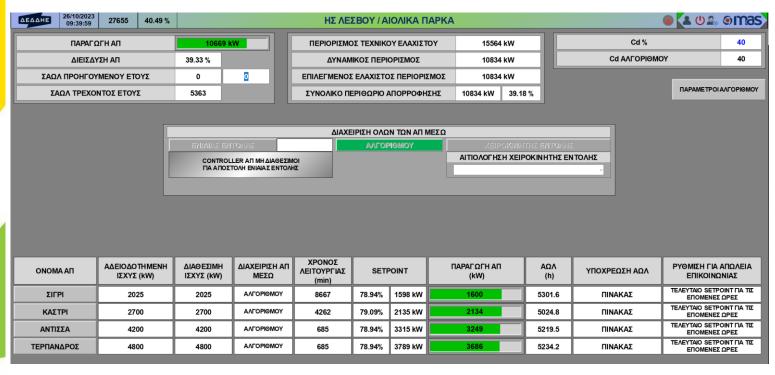
- Peak load of 2022: 50,29MW
- Peak load of 2023: 62,5MW
- Minimum Day Peak of 2022: 22,0MW
- Minimum Day Peak of 2023: 22,5MW
- Peak of the day 25/10/2023: 32,87MW
- Minimum of the day 25/10/2023: 16,75MW
- 4 Wind Parks: 13,725MW total installed capacity
- Solar: 9,026MW total installed capacity
- Largest Thermal Unit: 10MW

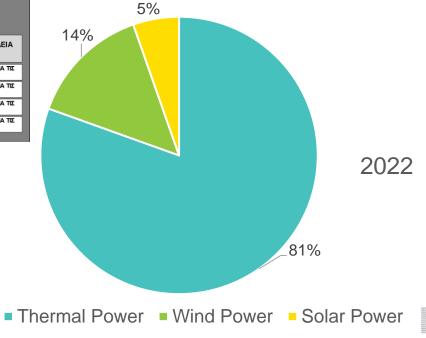




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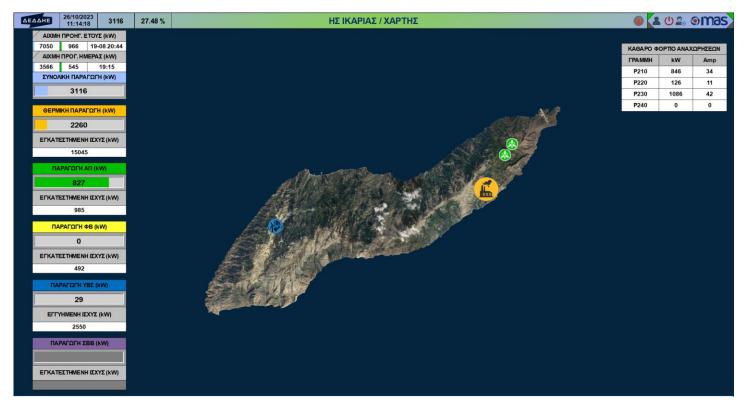




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Ikaria

- 2 Wind Parks: 0,985MW total installed capacity
- Solar: 0,492MW total installed capacity
- Hybrid Power Station:2,7MW total installed capacity

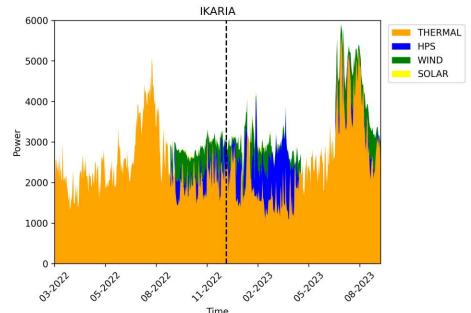


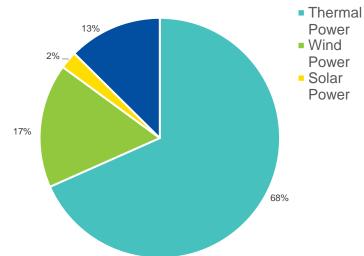


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- Peak load of 2022: 7,05MW
- Peak load of 2023: 7,12MW
- Minimum Day Peak of 2022: 1,60MW
- Minimum Day Peak of 2023: 1,20MW
- Peak of the day 25/10/2023: 3,57MW
- Minimum of the day 25/10/2023: 1,84MW
- Largest thermal unit:2,4MW





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