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Results of the 6 regional cases

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Power system modelling

Transmission network model

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Germany, Switzerland and Austria

- ENTSO-E model for EU transmission network (NDA)
- OpenStreetMap for sub-transmission
- Local Grid Development Plans

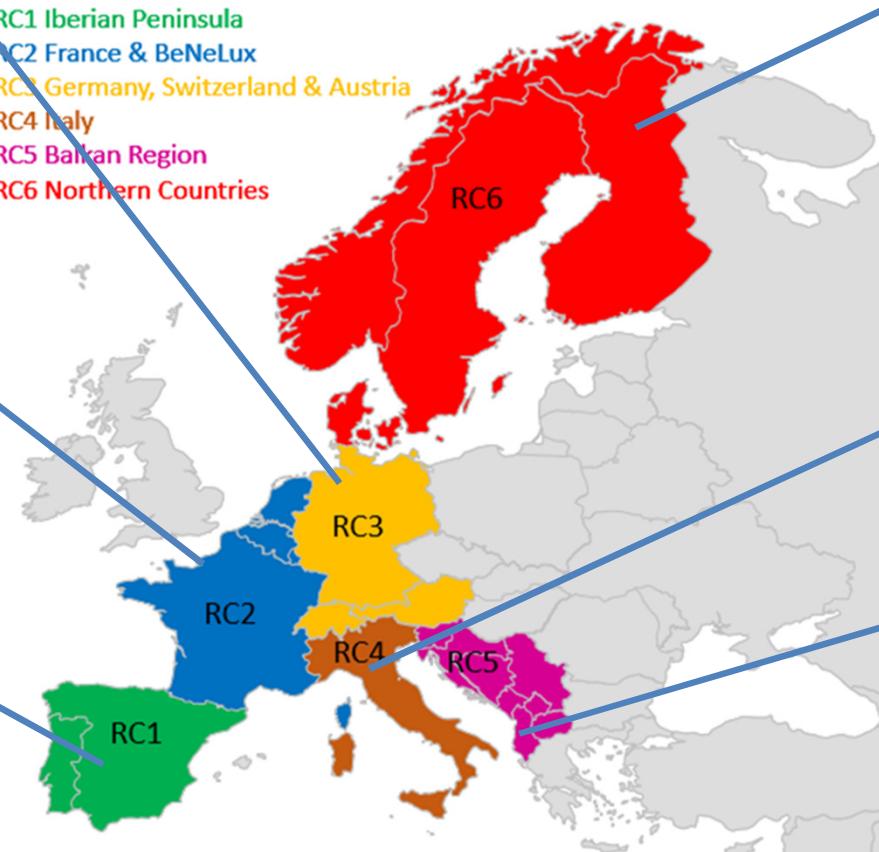
France and BeNeLux

- ENTSO-E model for EU transmission network (NDA)
- French TSO
- GoogleMaps (location)

Iberian Peninsula

- ENTSO-E model for EU transmission network (NDA)
- Spanish TSO and OpenStreetMap for sub-transmission network, complimented with PyPSA-Eur model and GoogleMaps (location)

The main source
ENTSO-E model for EU transmission network (NDA)



Northern Countries

- Norwegian energy regulator, local TSO (Norway, NDA)
- PyPSA-Eur model, OpenStreetMap (DK, SE, FI)
- Local Grid Development Plans

Italy

- ENTSO-E model for EU transmission network
- Ministero della Transizione Ecologica
- OpenStreetMap
- Local Grid Development Plans

Balkan Region

- ENTSO-E model for EU transmission network
- OpenStreetMap

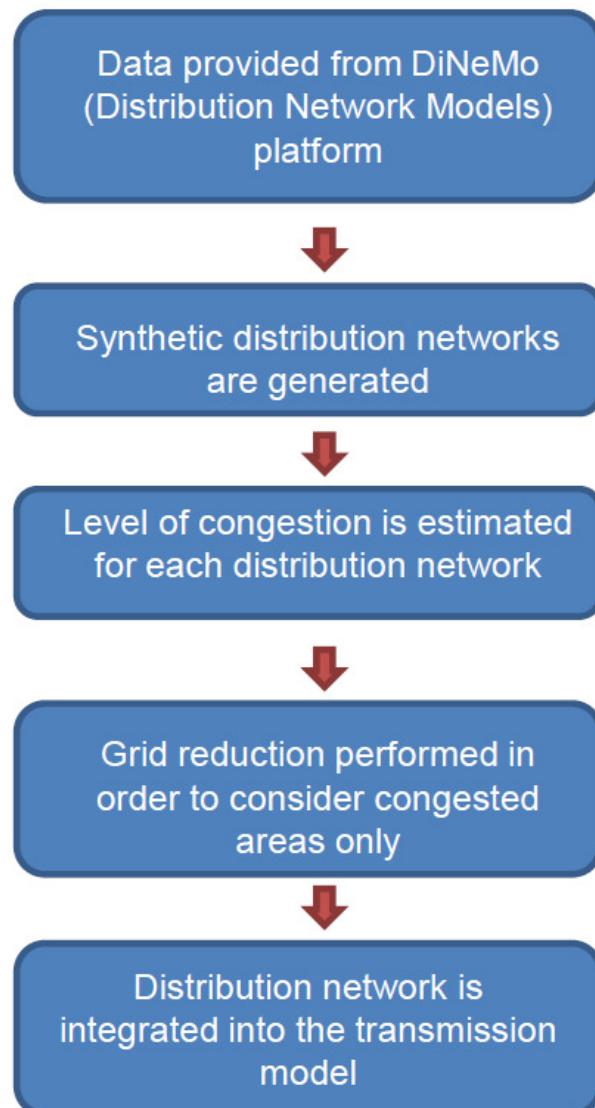
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Transparency Platform

Data for model validation
ENTSO-E TP

Power system modelling

Distribution network model

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<https://ses.jrc.ec.europa.eu/dinemo>



G. Viganò, M. Rossi, C. Michelangeli and D. Moneta,
“Creation of the Italian Distribution System Scenario by Using
Synthetic Artificial Networks”
2020 AEIT International Annual Conference, 2020, pp. 1-6



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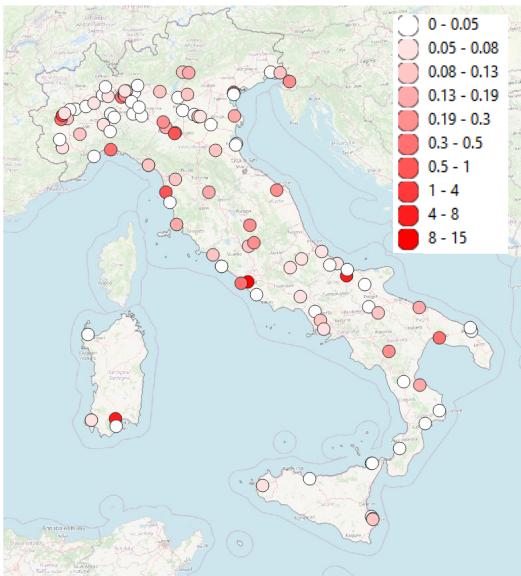
Details of the scenario

Environmental impact – Air Quality

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Health impact (YOLL/ $\mu\text{g}\cdot\text{m}^{-3}$)
Cost (€/YOLL)
Reference production (MWh)

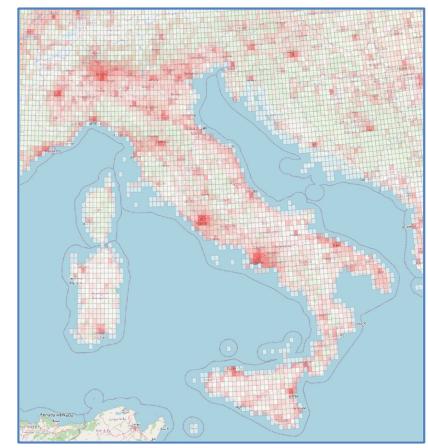
Air quality impact cost
(€/MWh)



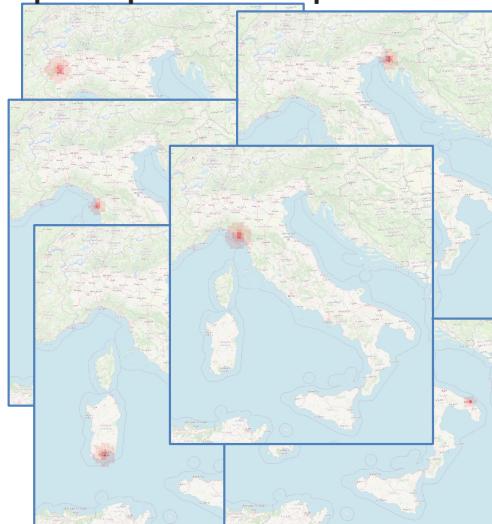
Impact areas around power plants
(25 km radius)



Resident population



Weighting factor of individual power plant with respect to others



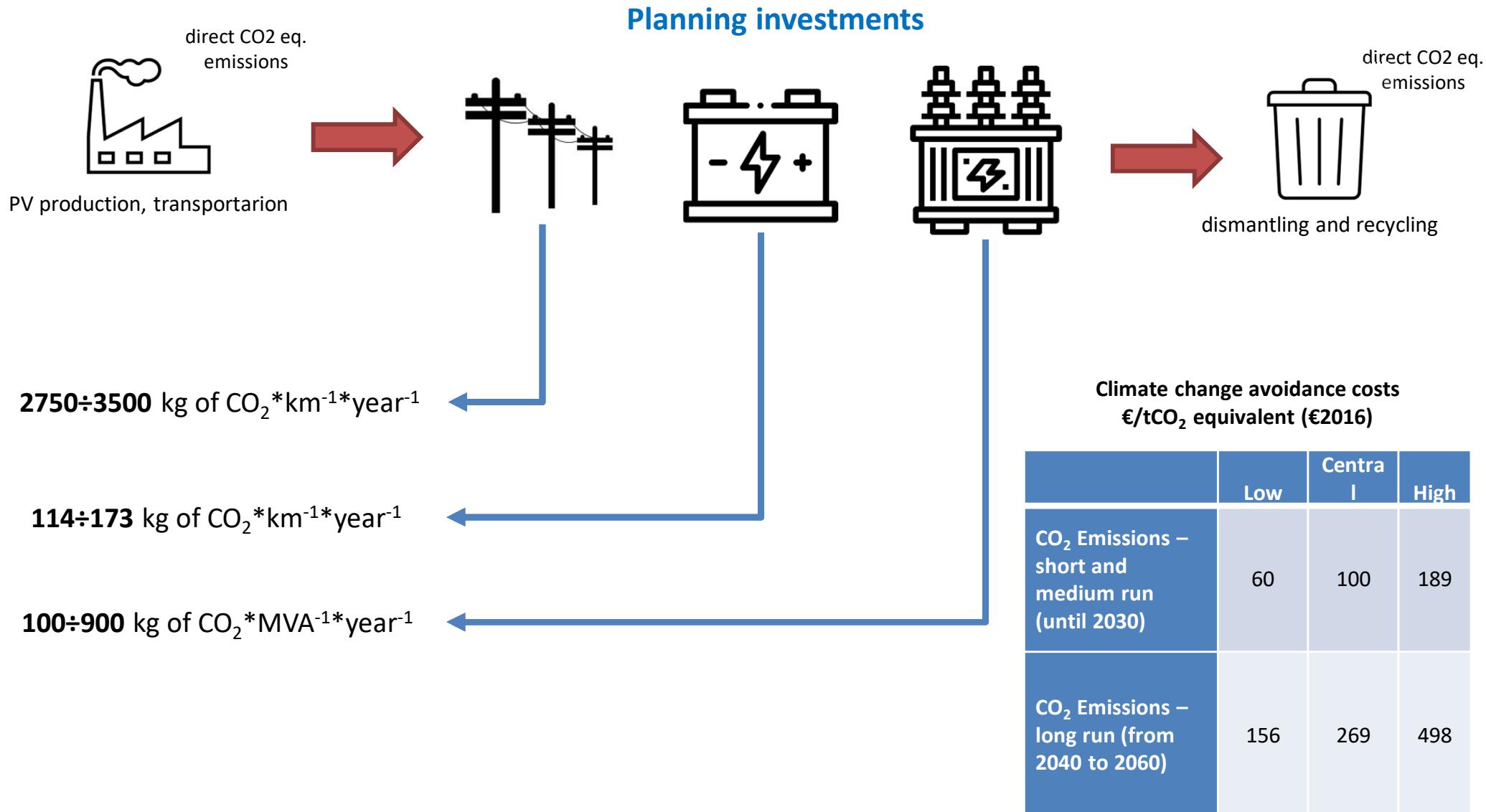
Pollutant concentration cumulative impact due to all generators, estimated with air quality simulations



Details of the scenario

Environmental impact – Carbon Footprint

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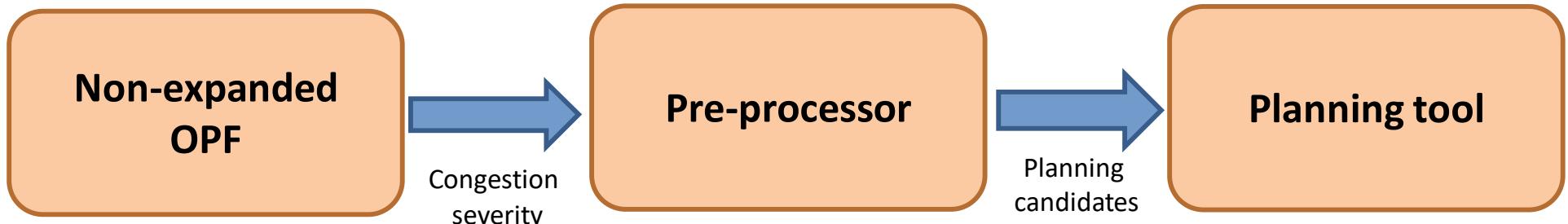
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Planning tool testing and model simplifications

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Grid Expansion Planning (GEP) process



- Role of the **non-expanded Optimal Power Flow**
 - Simulation of the scenario and indication of the level of congestion for grid elements
- Role of **Pre-processor**
 - Identification of potential asset investments aimed at solving congestion (with priorities depending on congestion severity – Lagrange Multipliers)
 - Identification of nodes in which storage/demand flexibility can be beneficial for congestion management (using Locational Marginal Prices)
 - Proposal of storage technology on the basis of characteristics of congestions and territory
- Role of **Planning tool**
 - Returns the list of the candidates which minimizes the total costs (CAPEX+OPEX), and details on their behaviour

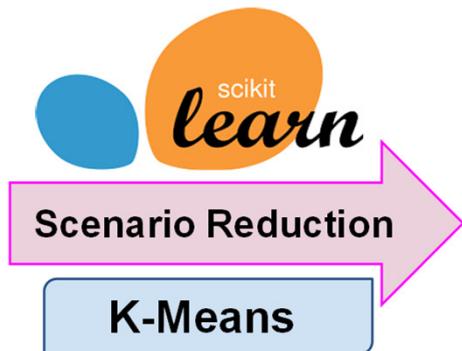
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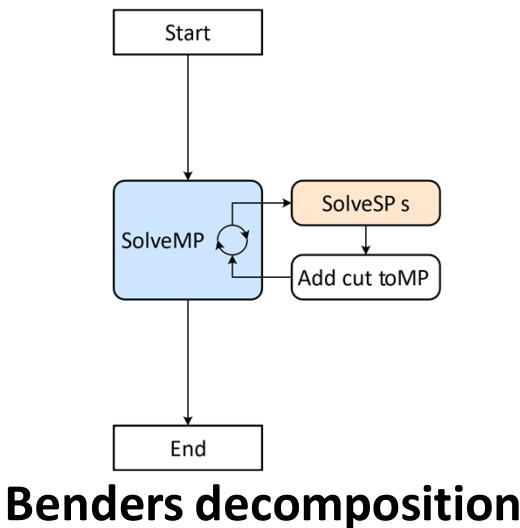
Dealing with real-size power systems

The development of the planning procedure has been carried out in order to be able to manage:

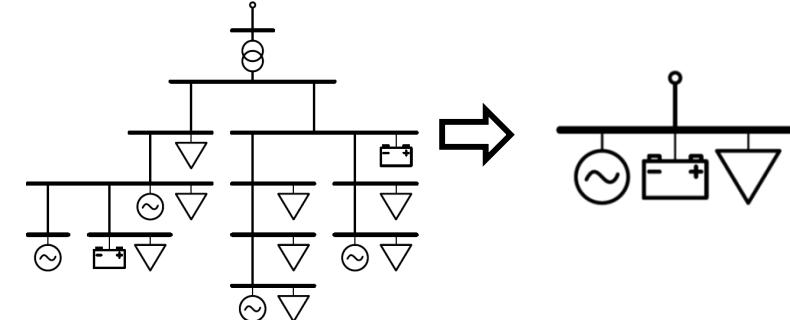
- **Real/size power systems** with more voltage levels simultaneously (transmission, sub-transmission and distribution)
- **Multiple scenarios** to consider both variability of electricity demand and renewable power production (climatic variants)
- **Multiple target years**, to optimally select investments by considering planning impact over their entire lifetime



Scenario reduction



Benders decomposition

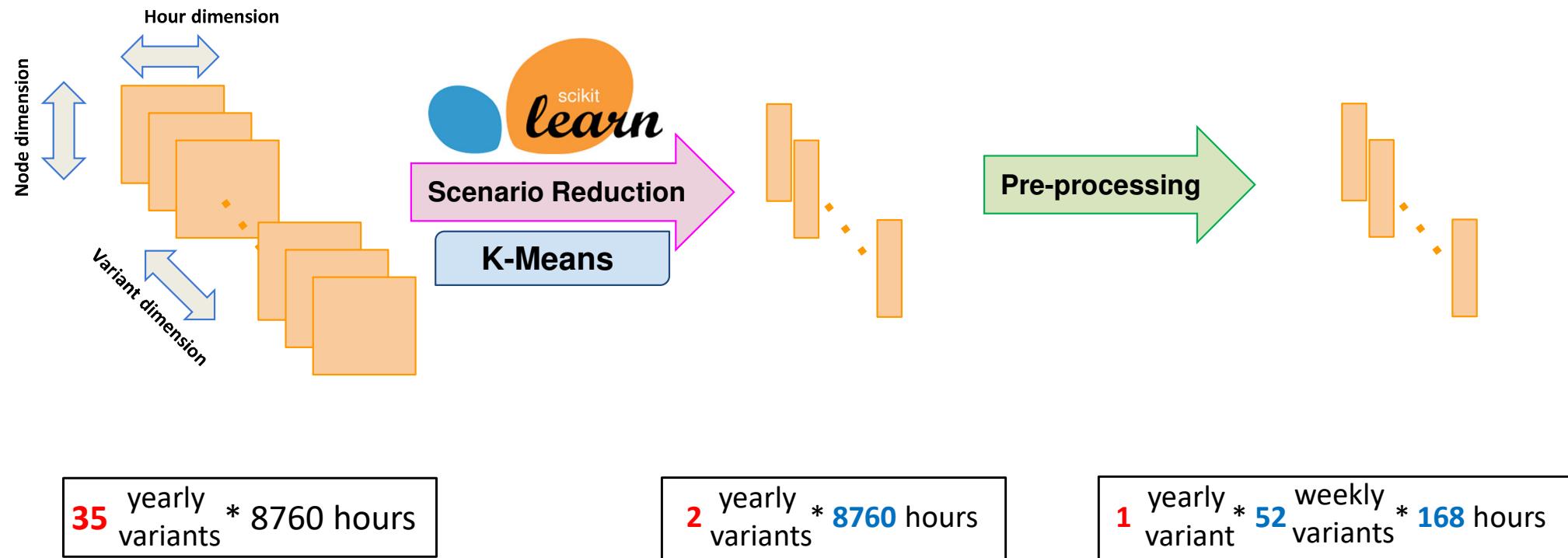


Transmission & Distribution decomposition

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Scenario reduction



Time profiles of 35 climate variants for each decade (2030-40-50) and scenario (DE,GA,NT)

- 2 representative climate variants (with different probabilities)
- 12 representative weeks (one for each month of the year)
- Time resolution: 1 hour (168 time steps per week)

Planning tool testing and model simplifications

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Model simplifications

Even though the tools have been optimized in order to manage real-size systems, operating in a multitude of scenarios and climate variants, FlexPlan regional cases have been studied by applying some simplifications.

4 representative weeks
(instead of 12)

Reduced time resolution
(2-hour time blocks)

**Limited portion of
Distribution Network**
(~10%)

~100 planning candidates

Total processing time
per reference year
3÷5 days

**Relaxed optimality
tolerance**
(0.01% MIP-gap)

1-decade time horizon
(instead of 3)

**Reduced amount of
Transmission AC lines**
(short lines neglected)

1 climate variant
(instead of 35)

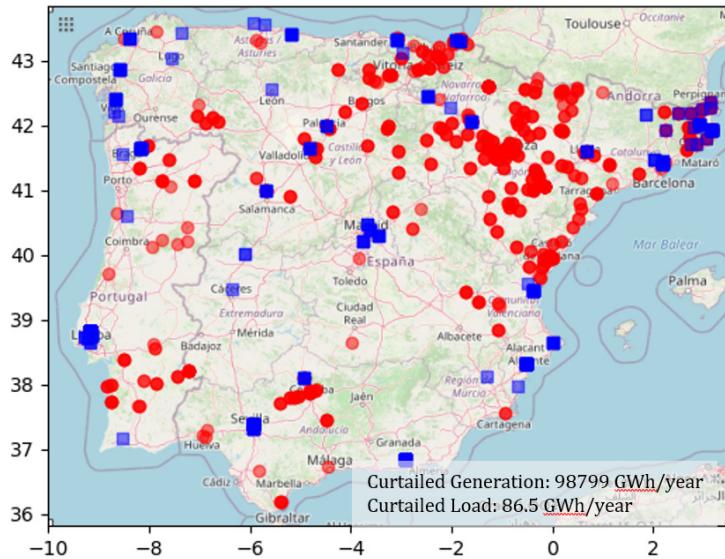
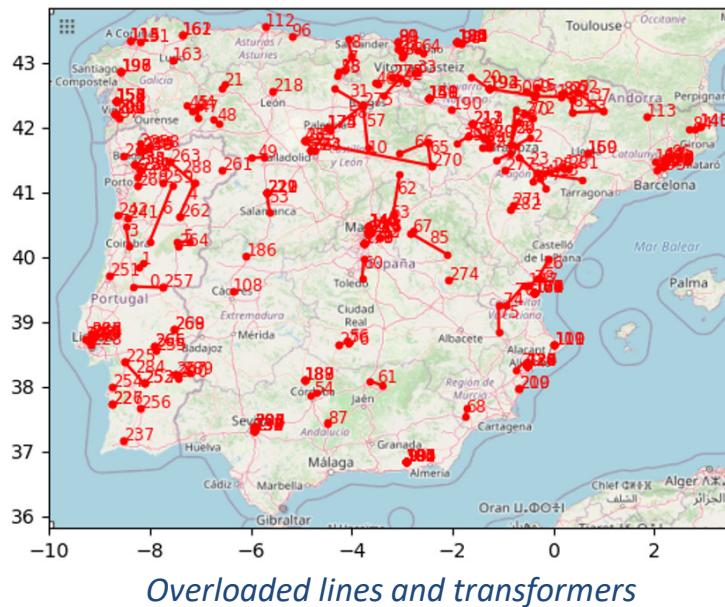
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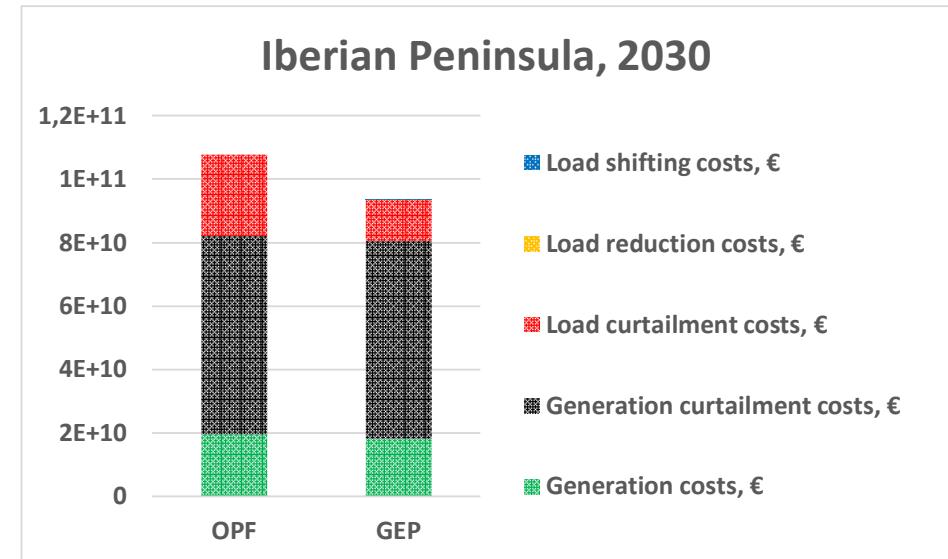
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Iberian Peninsula - 2030



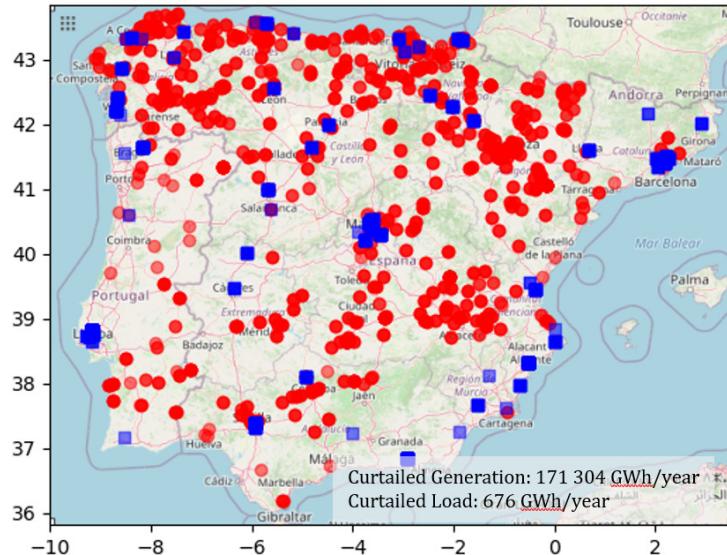
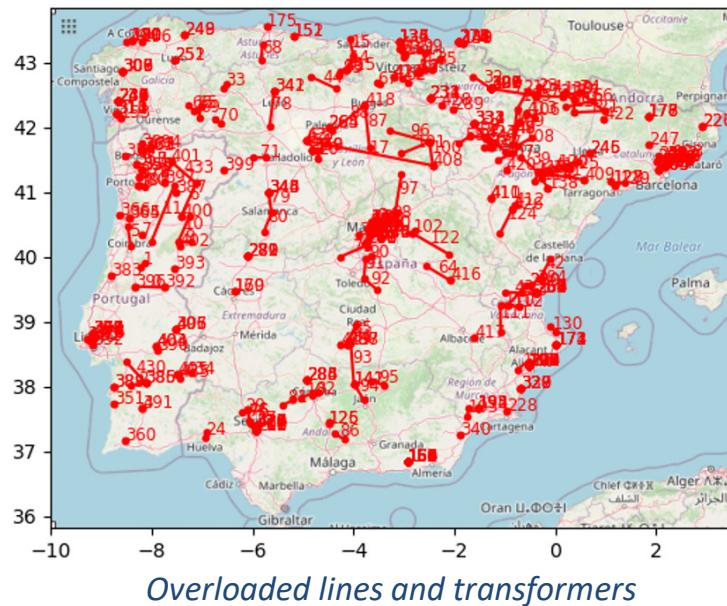
Type	AC Branch	Transformer	Storage	Flexibility load	Total
Number of candidates	57	4	6	33	100
Investment decisions	6 (T)	0 (T)	2	9	49
	30 (D)	2 (D)			
Investment rejected	1 (T)	2 (T)	4	24	51
	20 (D)	0 (D)			



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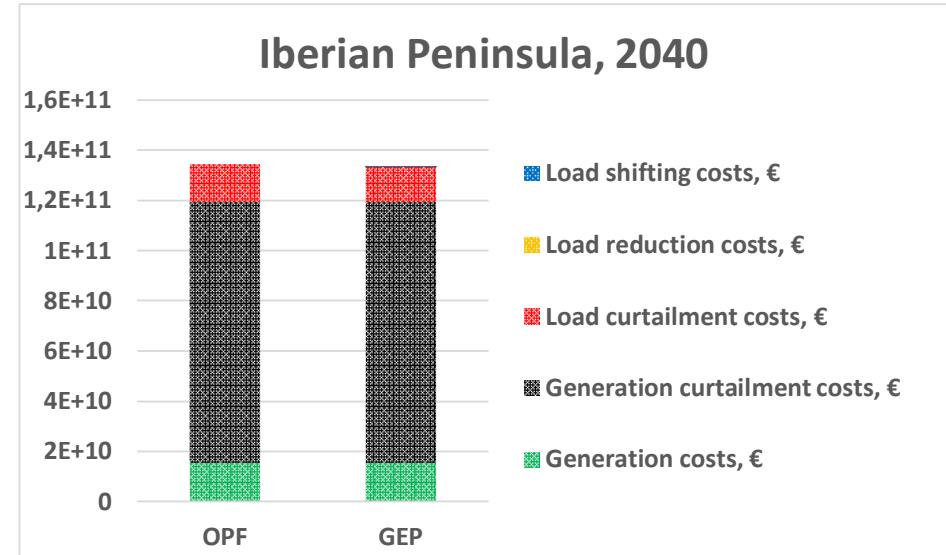
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Iberian Peninsula - 2040



Curtailed generation (red circles) and loads (blue squares)

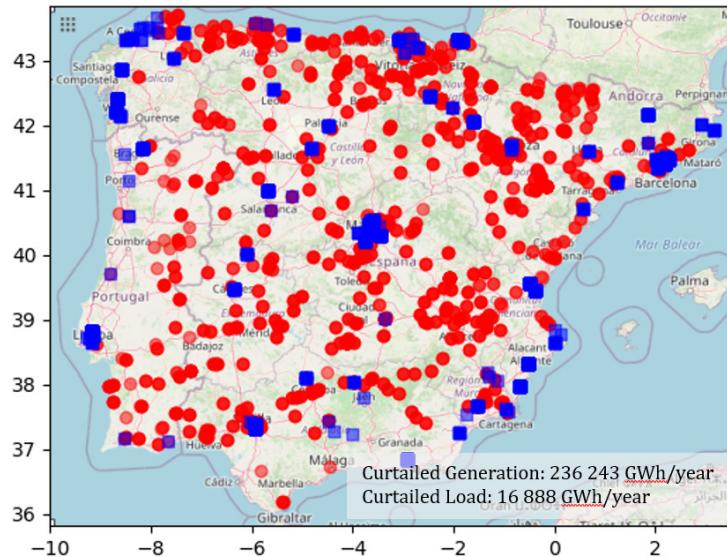
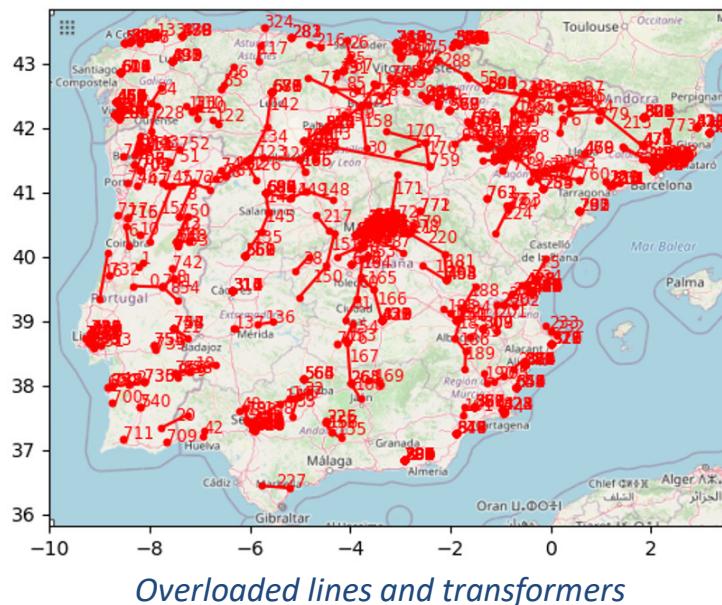
Type	AC Branch	Transformer	Storage	Flexibility load	Total
Number of candidates	74	0	5	21	100
Investment decisions	0 (T)	0 (T)	2	5	44
	37 (D)	0 (D)			
Investment rejected	0 (T)	0 (T)	3	16	56
	37 (D)	0 (D)			



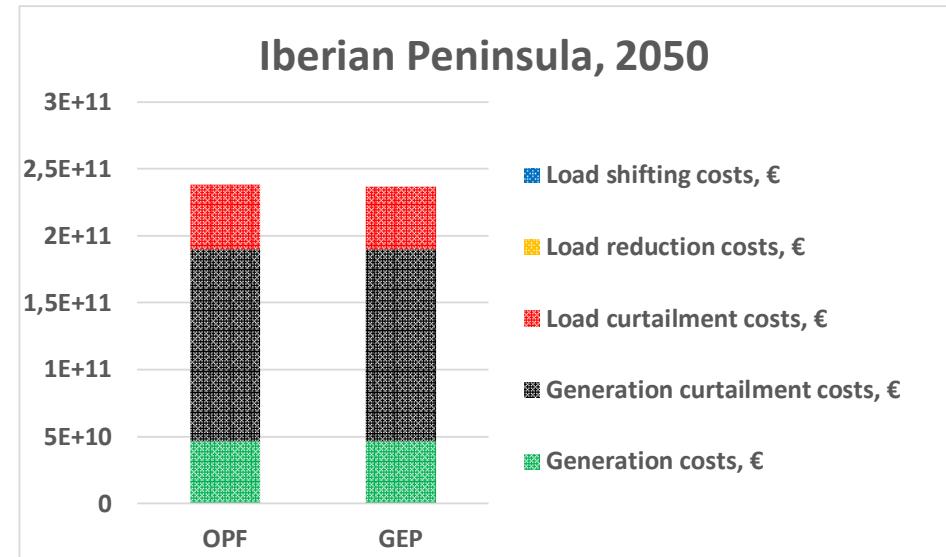
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Iberian Peninsula - 2050



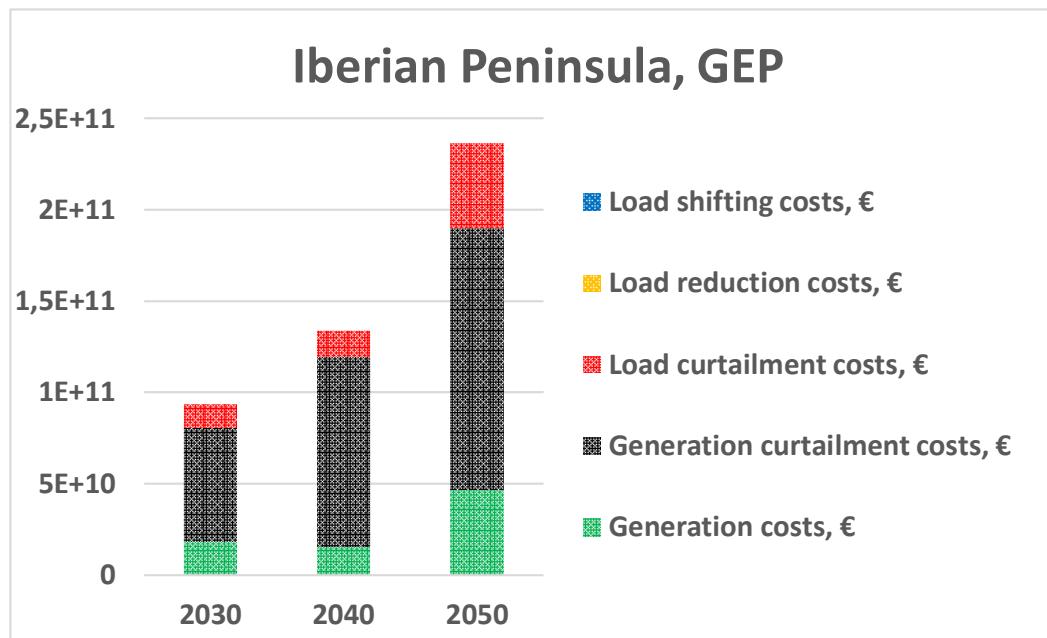
Type	AC Branch	Transformer	Storage	Flexibility load	Total
Number of candidates	98	0	2	0	100
Investment decisions	0 (T)	0 (T)	2	0	38
	36 (D)	0 (D)			
Investment rejected	0 (T)	0 (T)	0	0	62
	62 (D)	0 (D)			



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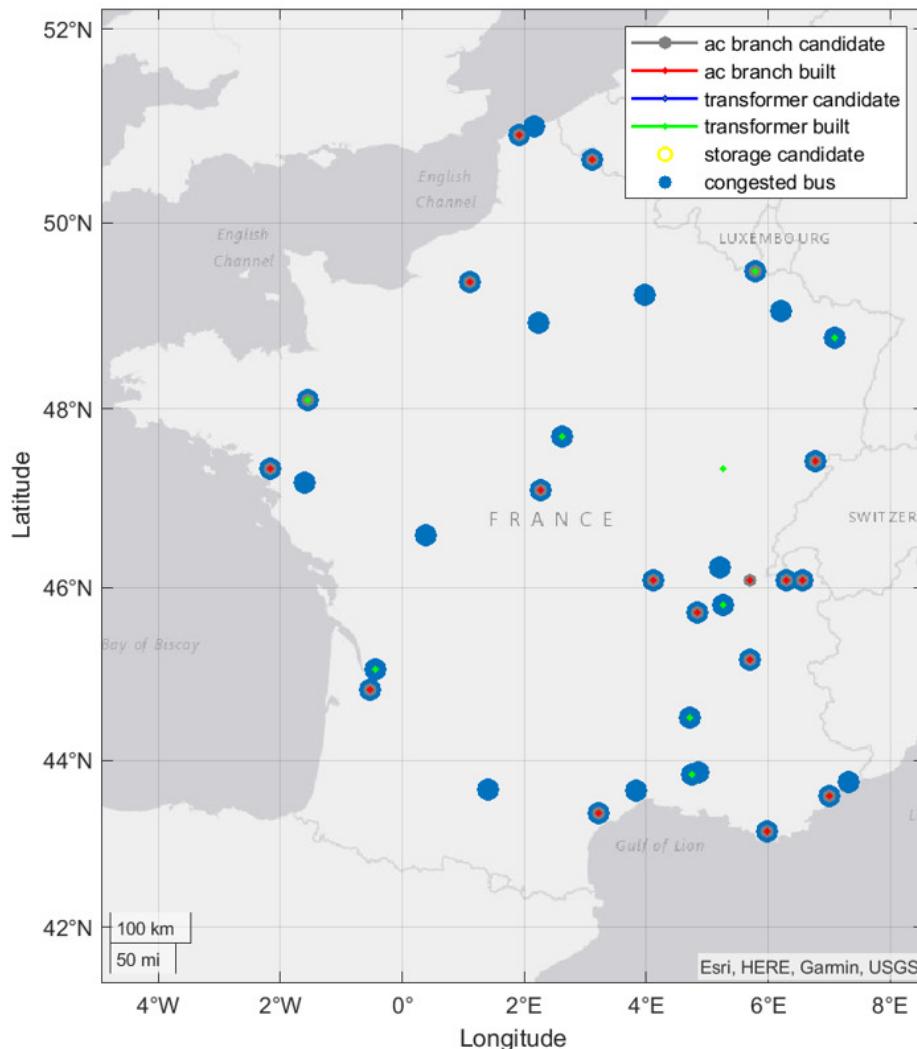


Year	2030	2040	2050
Carbon Footprint impact assessment, %	8.49	6.62	11.2
Air Quality impact assessment, %	2.1	1.08	1.81

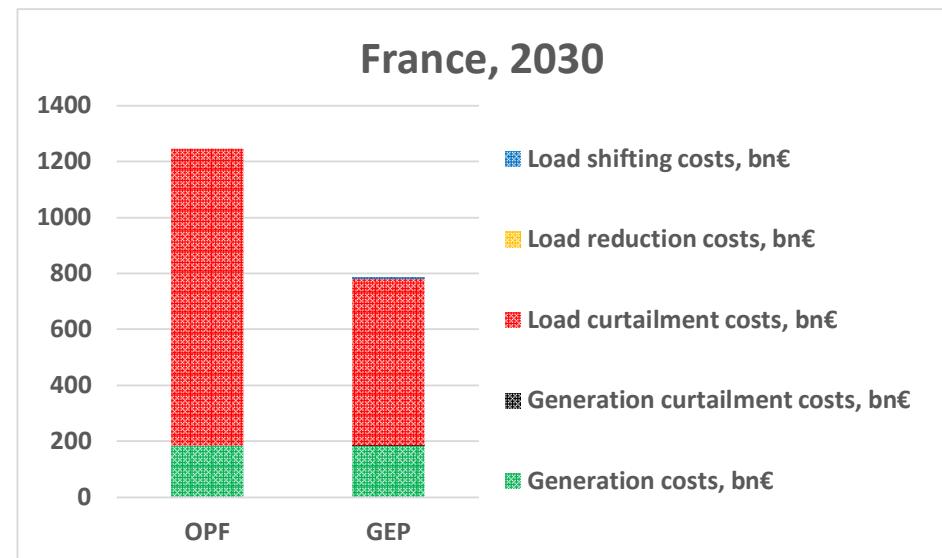
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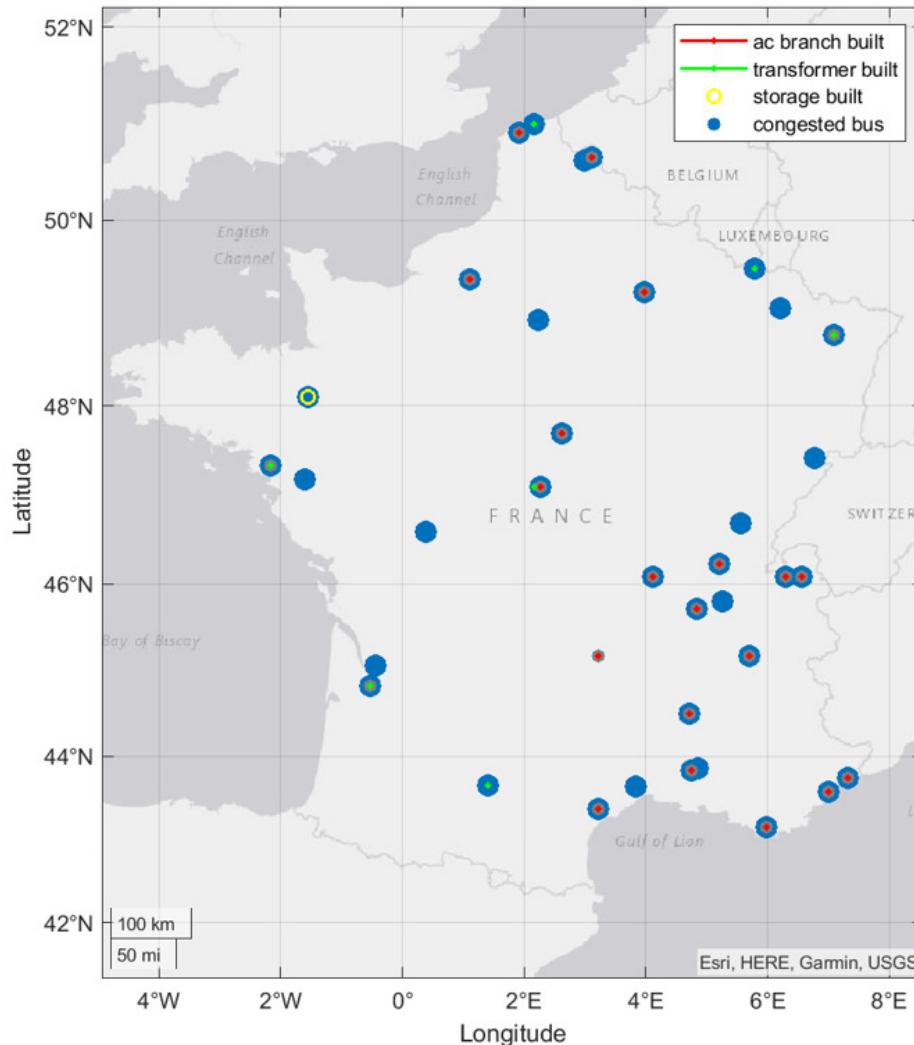
Type	AC Branch	Transformer	Storage	Flexibility load	Total
Number of candidates	60	23	0	15	100
Investment decisions	0 (T)	0 (T)	0	0 (T)	72
	38 (D)	25 (D)		9 (D)	
Investment rejected	0 (T)	0 (T)	0	0 (T)	28
	22 (D)	0 (D)		6 (D)	



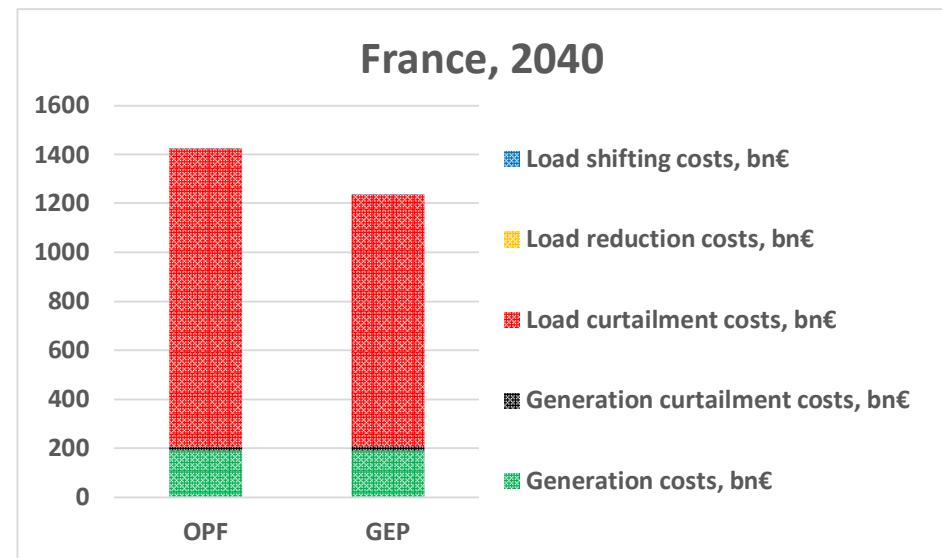
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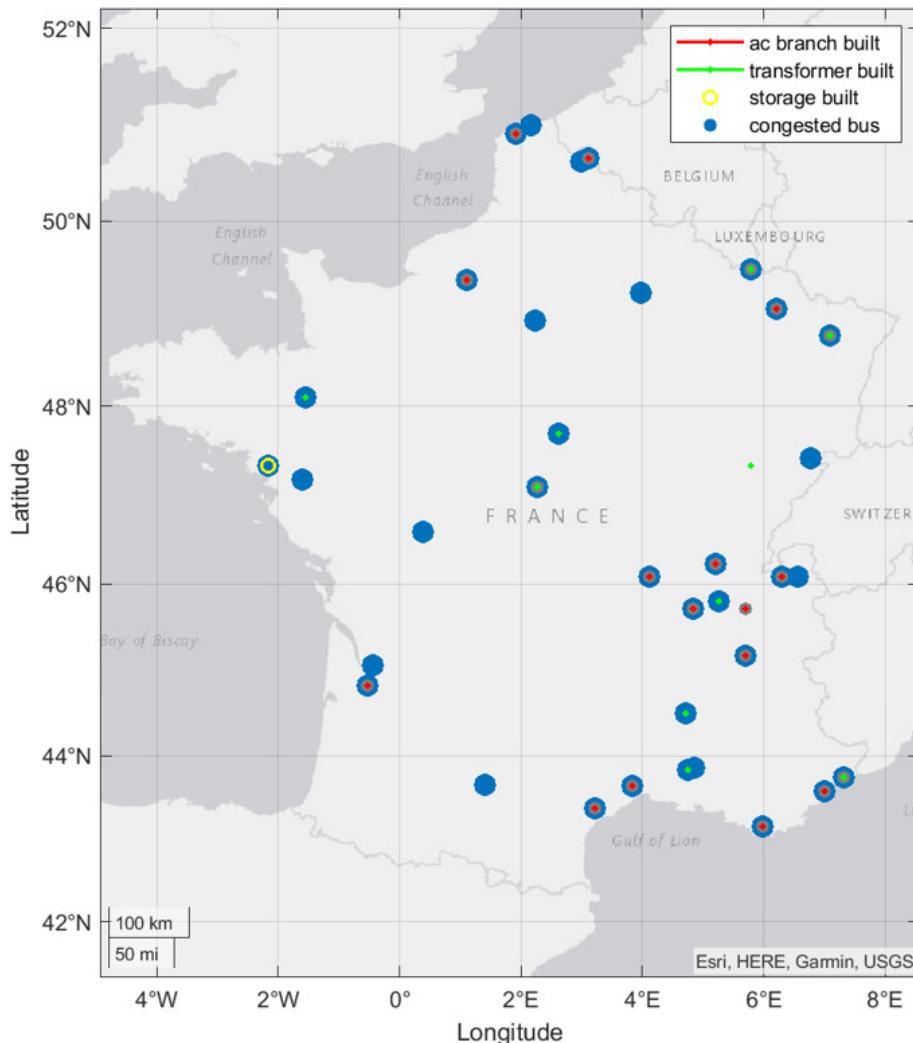
Type	AC Branch	Transformer	Storage	Flexibility load	Total
Number of candidates	79	7	1	13	100
Investment decisions	0 (T)	0 (T)	1	0 (T)	58
	42 (D)	7 (D)		8 (D)	
Investment rejected	6 (T)	0 (T)	0	0 (T)	42
	31 (D)	0 (D)		5 (D)	



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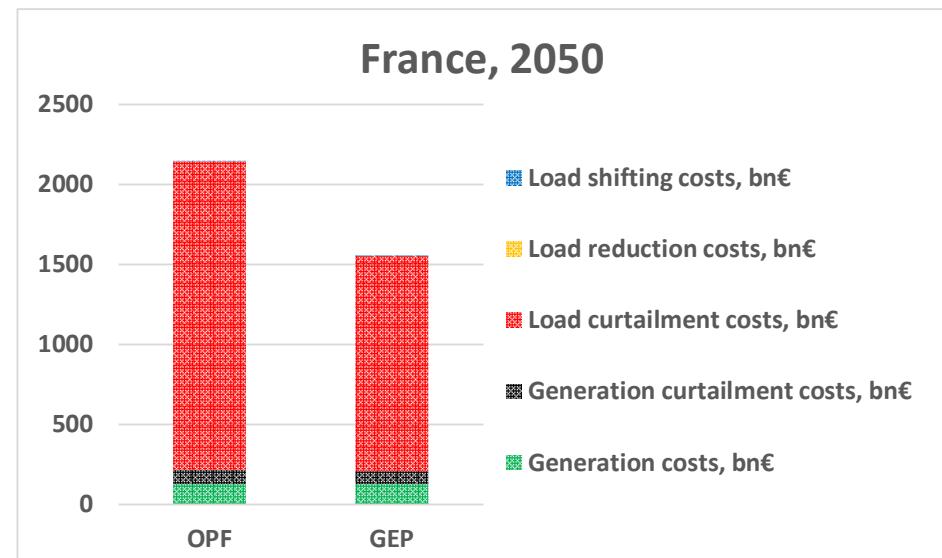
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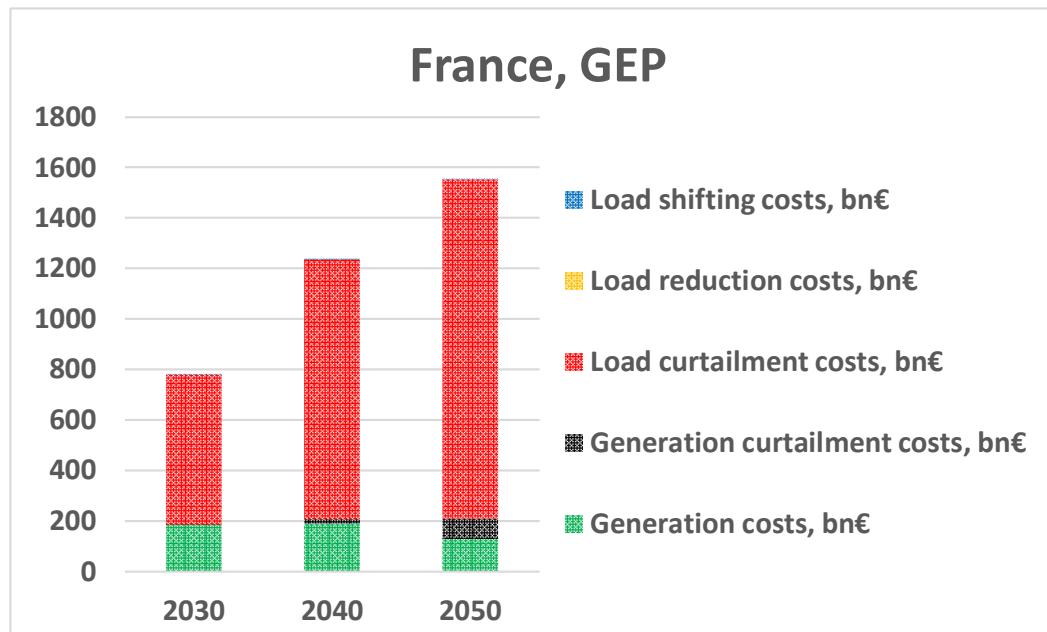
Type	AC Branch	Transformer	Storage	Flexibility load	Total
Number of candidates	67	19	2	12	100
Investment decisions	0 (T)	0 (T)	1	0 (T)	67
	39 (D)	19 (D)		8 (D)	
Investment rejected	6 (T)	0 (T)	1	0 (T)	33
	22 (D)	0 (D)		4 (D)	



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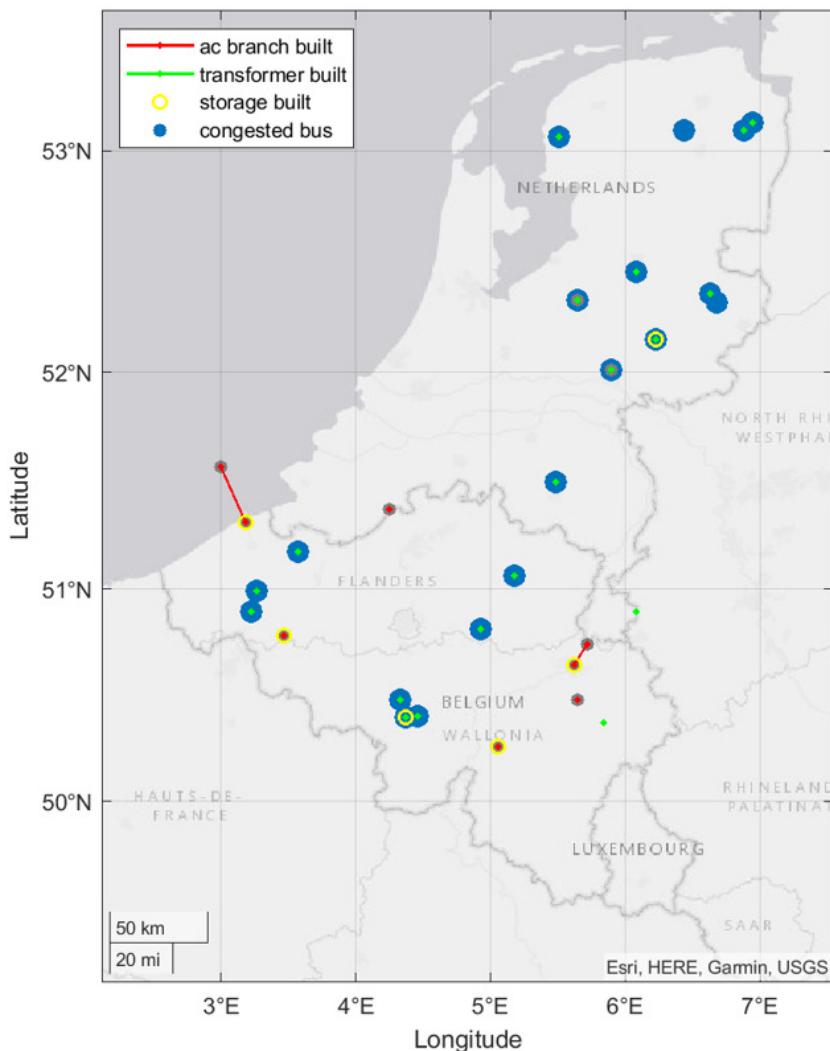


Year	2030	2040	2050
Carbon Footprint impact assessment, %	4.73	3.72	1.95
Air Quality impact assessment, %	2.01	1.27	0.7

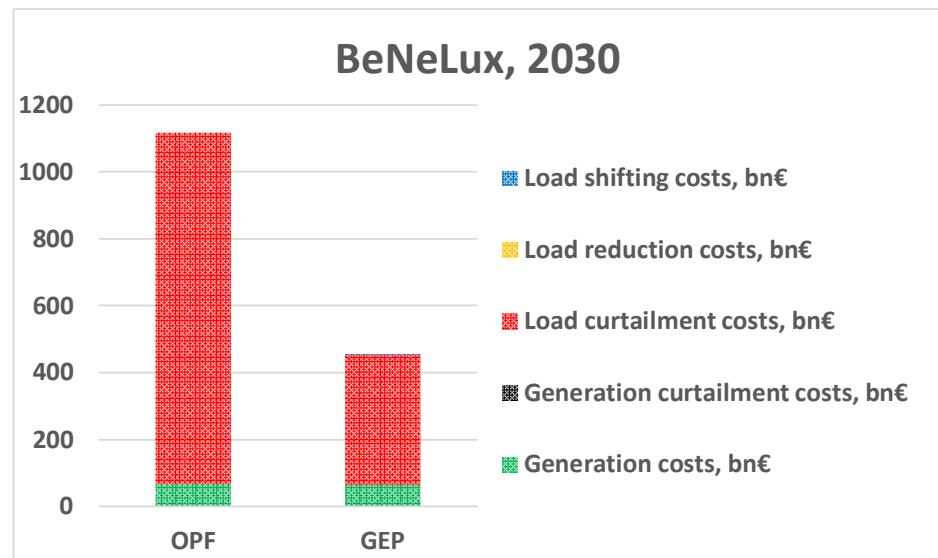
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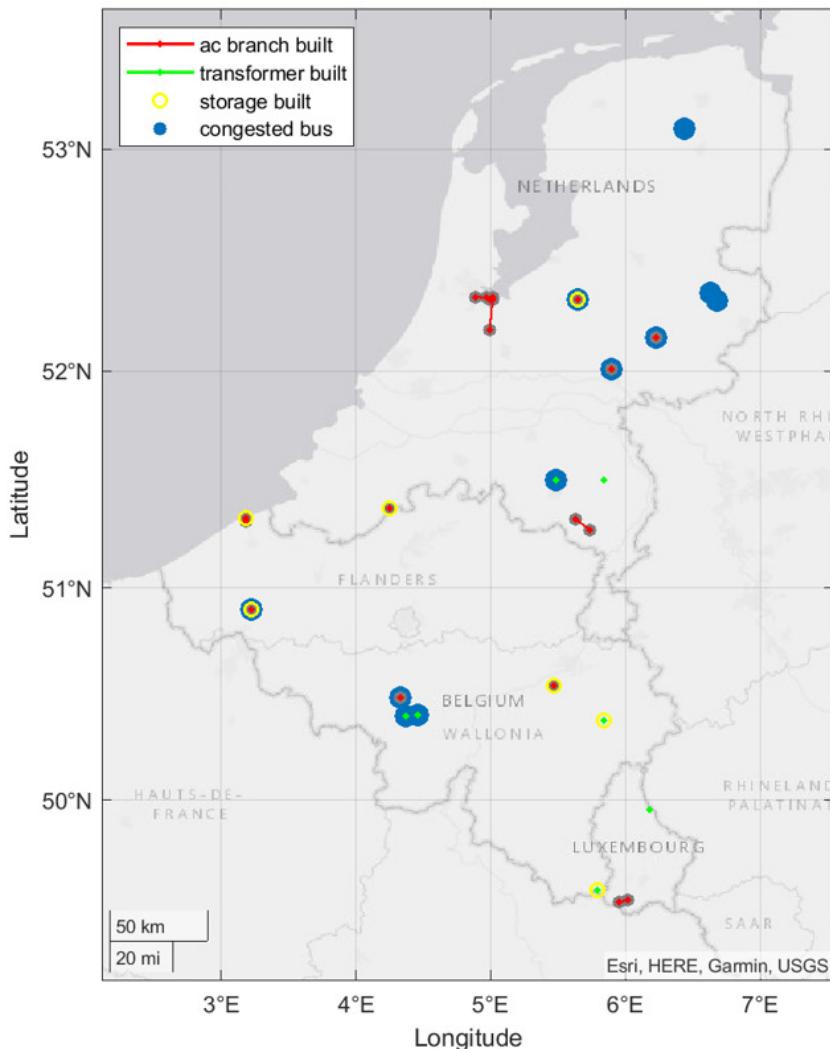
Type	AC Branch	Transformer	Storage	Flexibility load	Total
Number of candidates	13	35	19	18	85
Investment decisions	6 (T)	4 (T)	12	0 (T)	57
	3 (D)	31 (D)		1 (D)	
Investment rejected	0 (T)	0 (T)	7	3 (T)	28
	4 (D)	0 (D)		13 (D)	



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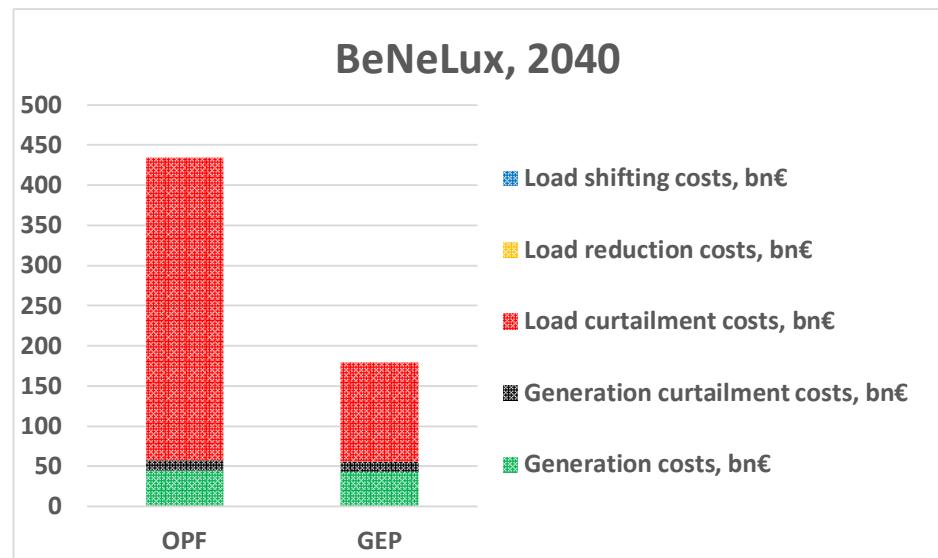
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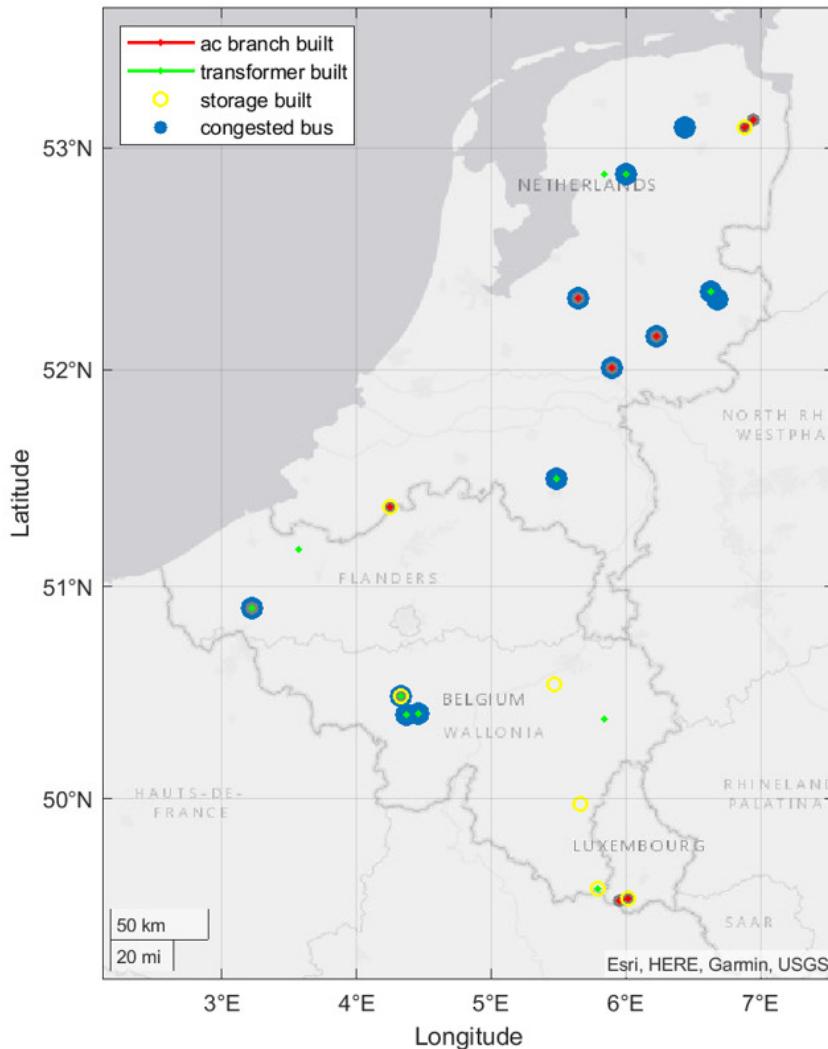
Type	AC Branch	Transformer	Storage	Flexibility load	Total
Number of candidates	28	7	19	11	65
Investment decisions	7 (T)	4 (T)	7	0 (T)	36
	11 (D)	3 (D)		4 (D)	
Investment rejected	2 (T)	0 (T)	12	2 (T)	29
	8 (D)	0 (D)		5 (D)	



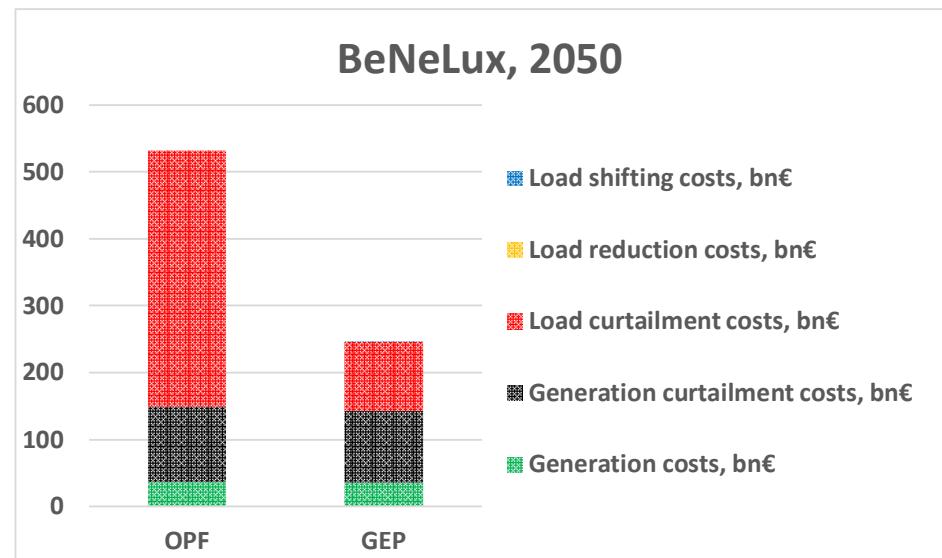
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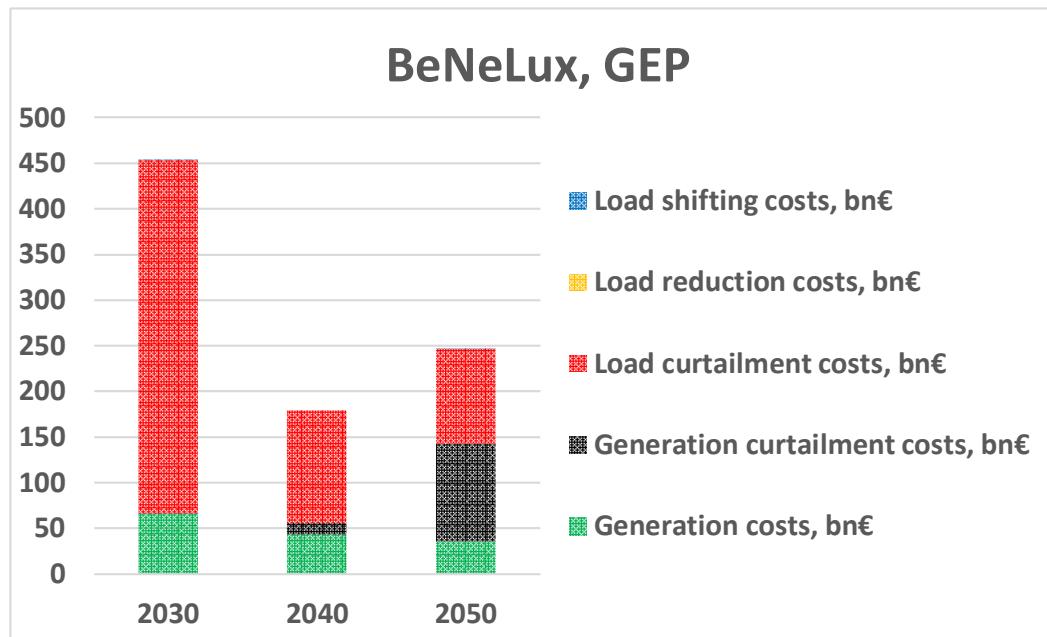
Type	AC Branch	Transformer	Storage	Flexibility load	Total
Number of candidates	33	18	20	14	85
Investment decisions	3 (T)	4 (T)	12	0 (T)	50
	12 (D)	14 (D)		5 (D)	
Investment rejected	7 (T)	0 (T)	8	4 (T)	35
	11 (D)	0 (D)		5 (D)	



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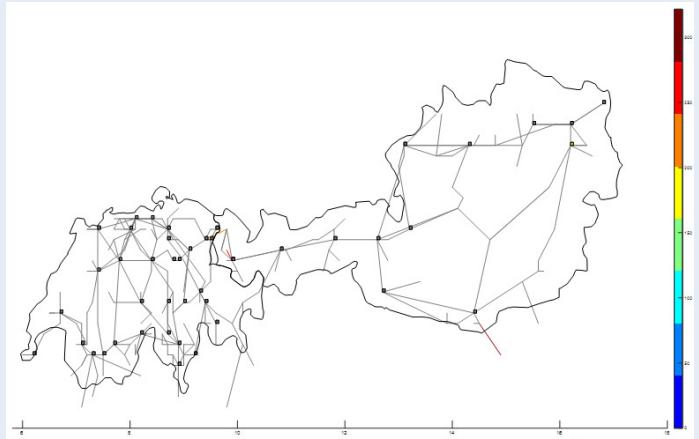
Year	2030	2040	2050
Carbon Footprint impact assessment, %	2.91	4.85	2.89
Air Quality impact assessment, %	0.2	0.34	0.2

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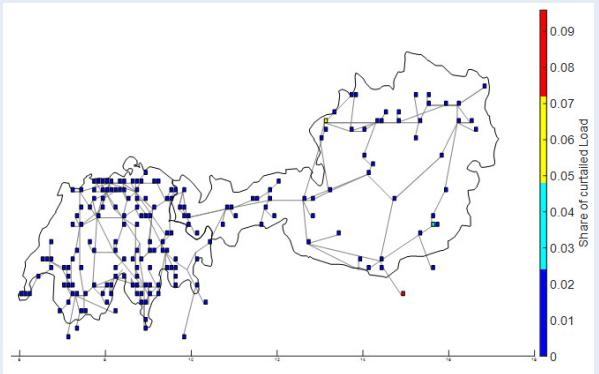
Switzerland and Austria - 2030

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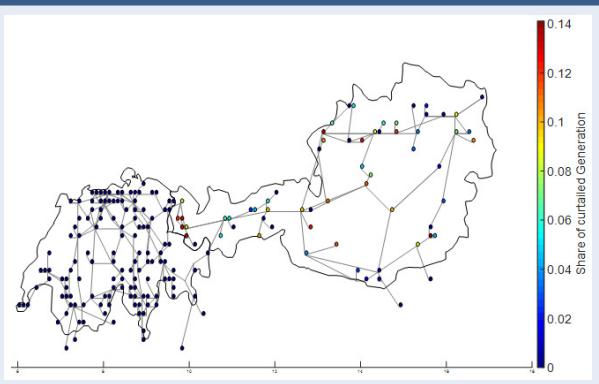
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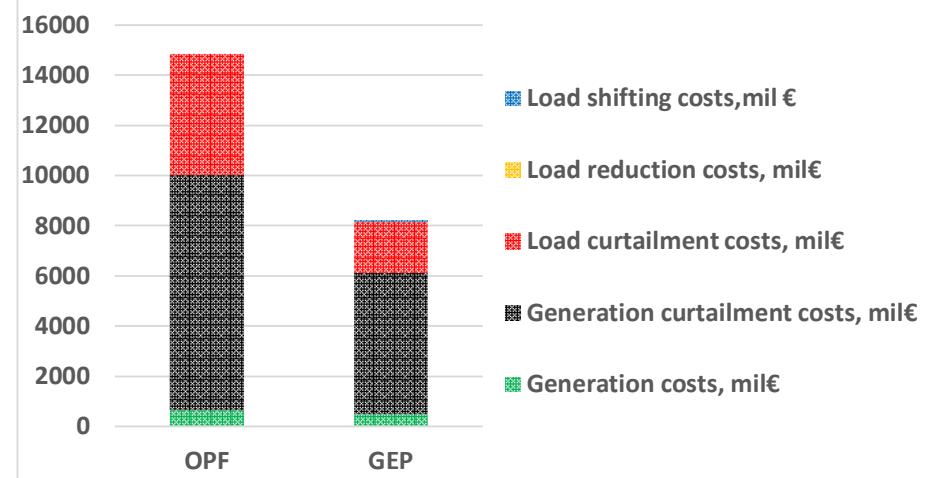


Generation
Curtailment



Type	AC Branch	Transformer	Storage	Flexibility load	Total
Number of candidates	9	0	11	5	25
Investment decisions	4	0	1	5	10
Investment rejected	5	0	10	0	15

Switzerland and Austria, 2030

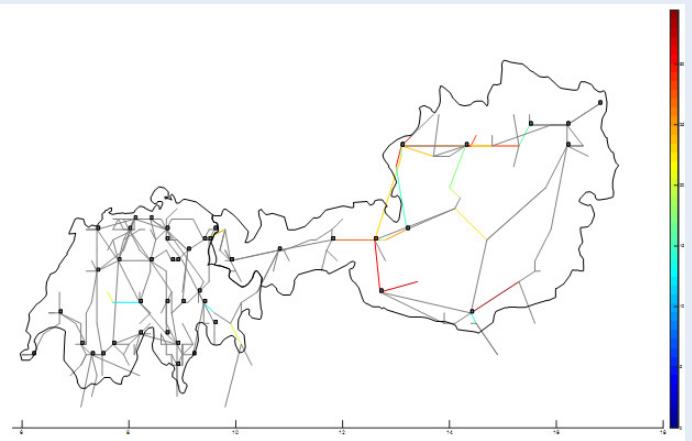


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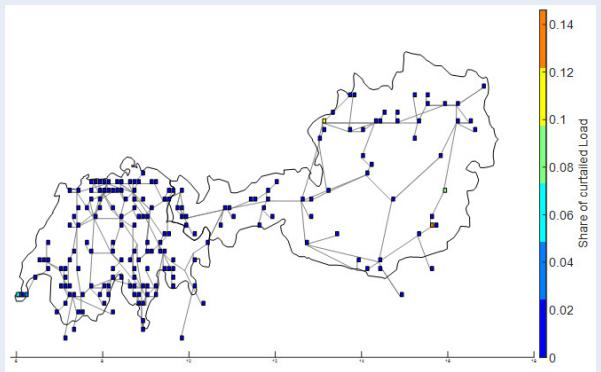
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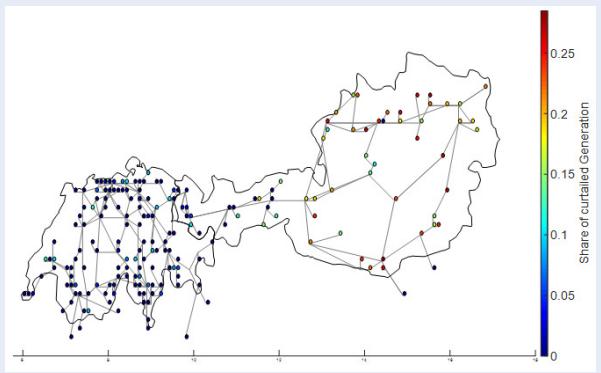
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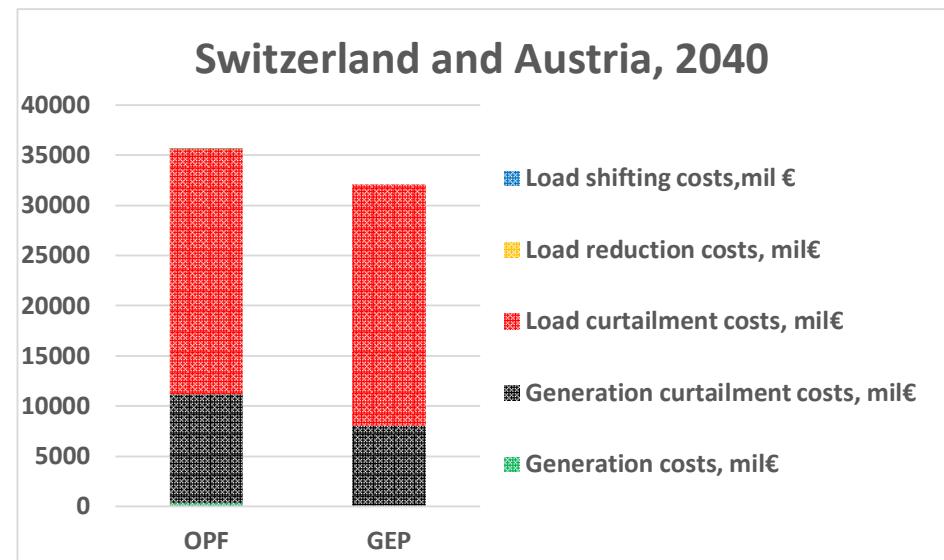
Load Curtailment



Generation Curtailment



Type	AC Branch	Transformer	Storage	Flexibility load	Total
Number of candidates	35	1	45	19	100
Investment decisions	18	0	38	19	75
Investment rejected	17	1	7	0	25

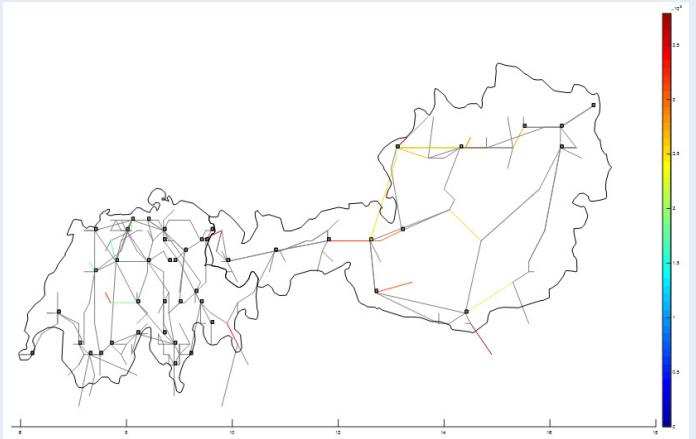


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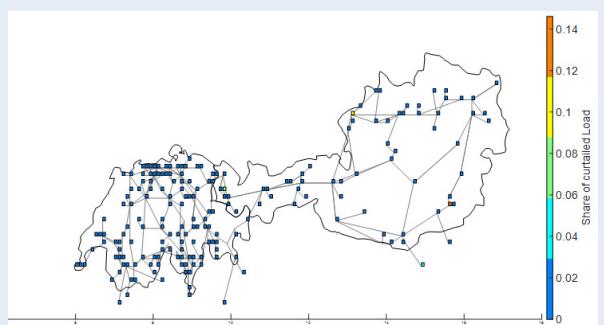
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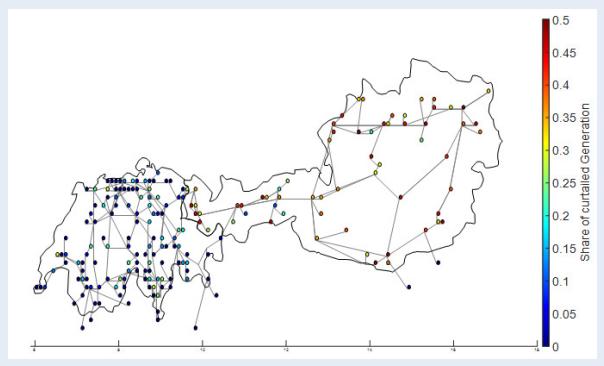
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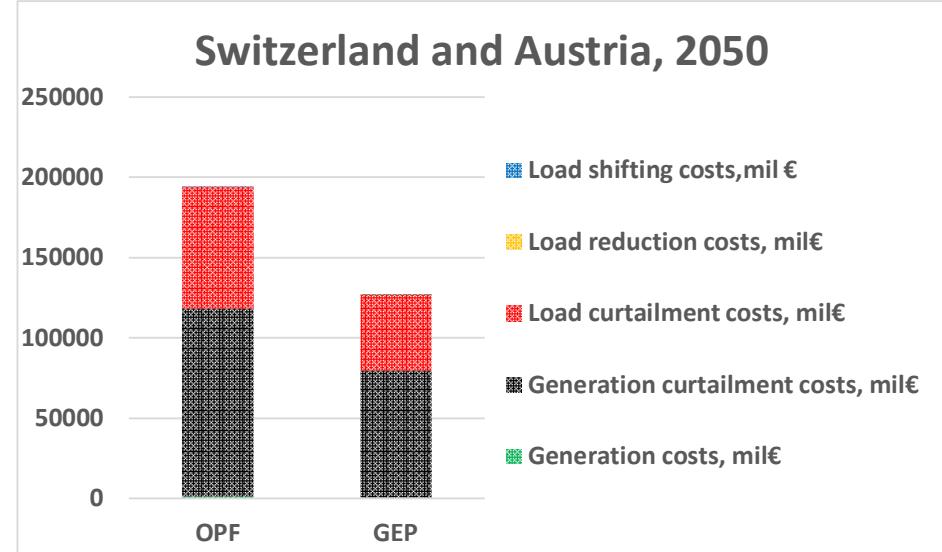
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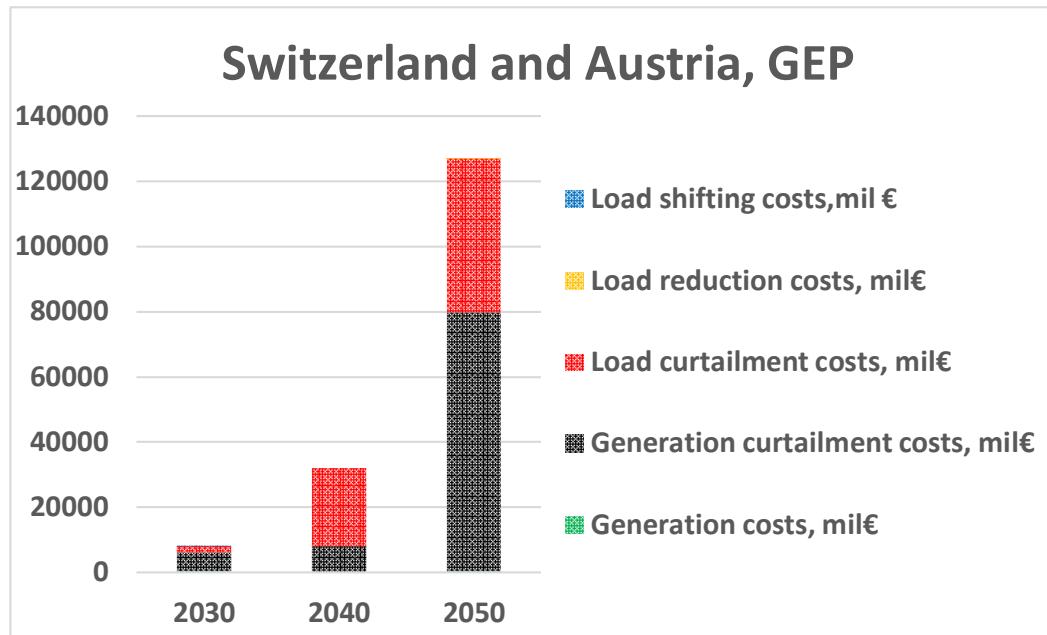
Type	AC Branch	Transformer	Storage	Flexibility load	Total
Number of candidates	20	0	20	19	59
Investment decisions	13	0	17	17	47
Investment rejected	7	0	3	2	12



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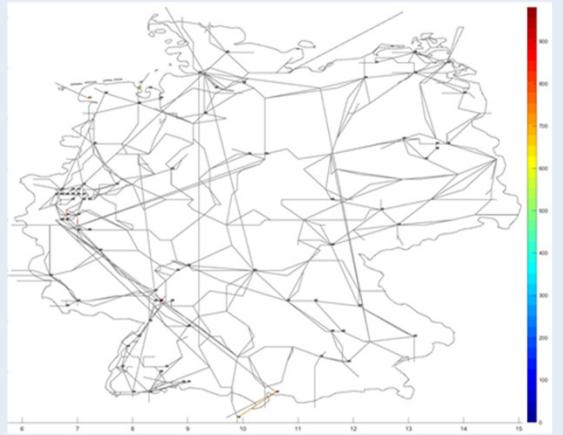
Year	2030	2040	2050
Carbon Footprint impact assessment, %	0.005	0.017	0.004
Air Quality impact assessment, %	< 0.00001	< 0.00001	< 0.00001

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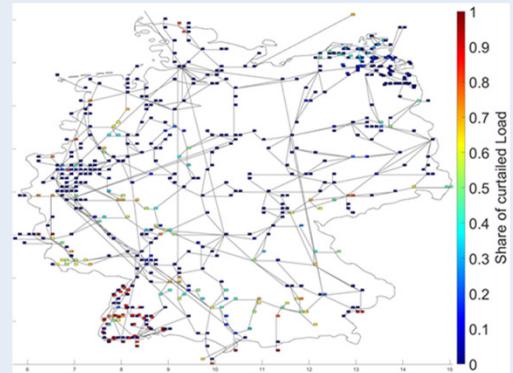
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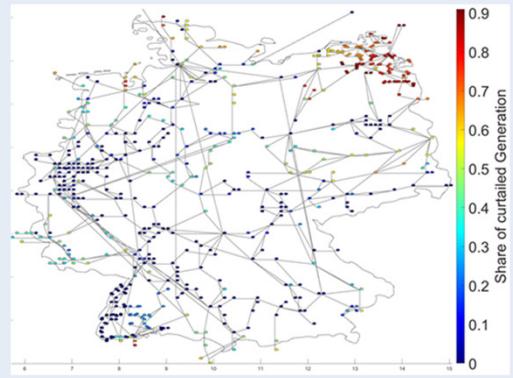
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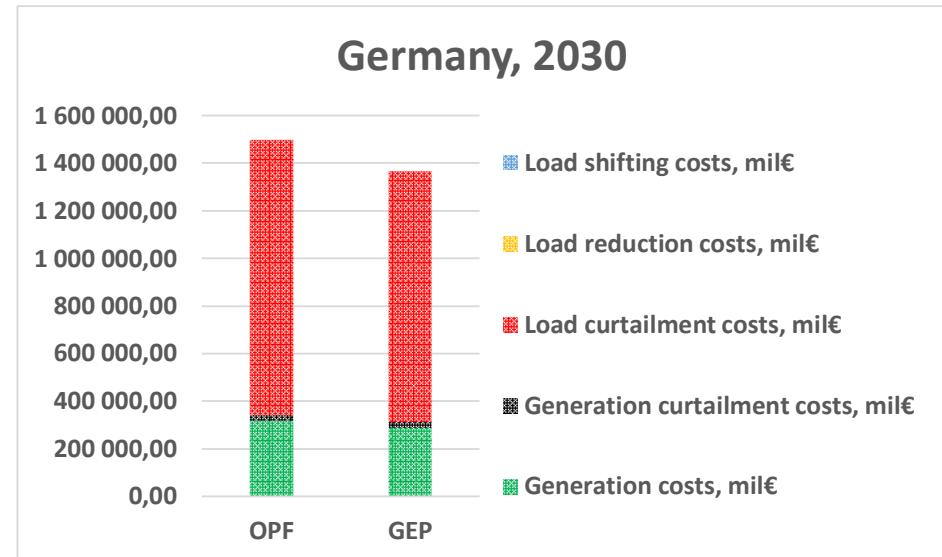
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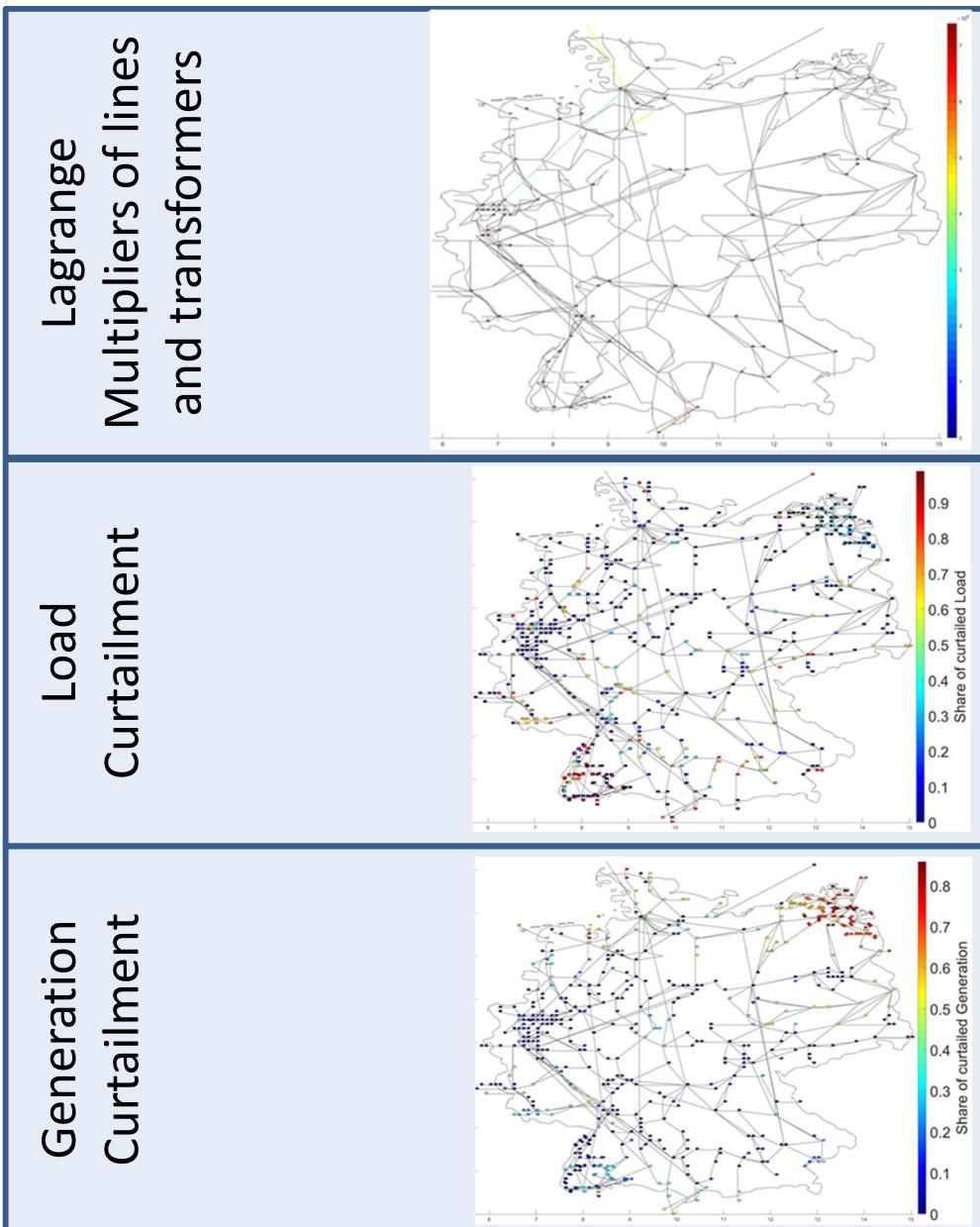
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Number of candidates	3	0	3	1	7
Investment decisions	W1: 3 W3: 0 W4: 0	0	W1: 0 W3: 0 W4: 0	W1: 0 W3: 0 W4: 0	W1: 3 W3: 0 W4: 0
Investment rejected	W1: 0 W3: 3 W4: 3	0	W1: 3 W3: 3 W4: 3	W1: 1 W3: 1 W4: 1	W1: 4 W3: 7 W4: 7



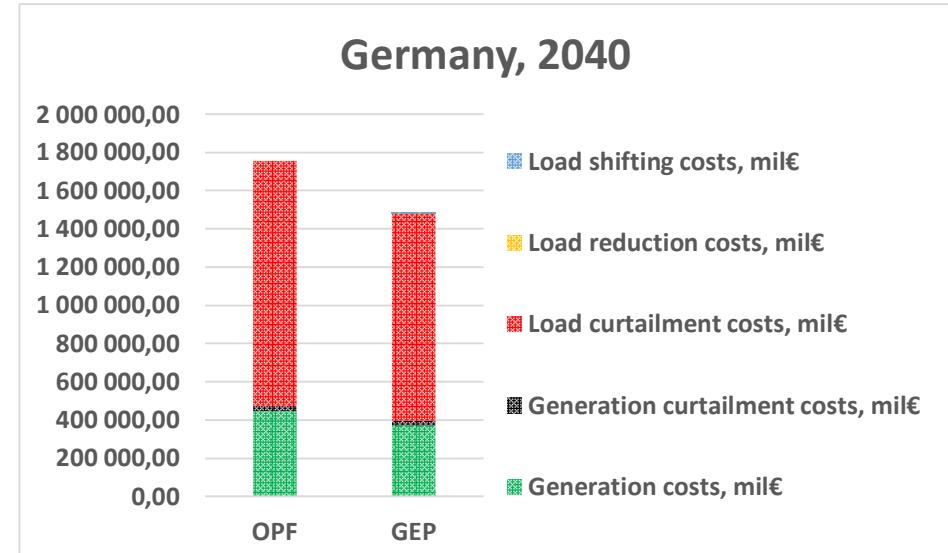
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Number of candidates	3	0	2	1	6
Investment decisions	W1: 0 W2: 2 W3: 2 W4: 3	0	W1: 0 W2: 1 W3: 0 W4: 2	W1: 0 W2: 1 W3: 1 W4: 0	W1: 0 W2: 3 W3: 3 W4: 5
Investment rejected	W1: 3 W2: 1 W3: 1 W4: 0	0	W1: 2 W2: 1 W3: 2 W4: 0	W1: 1 W2: 0 W3: 0 W4: 1	W1: 6 W2: 3 W3: 3 W4: 1

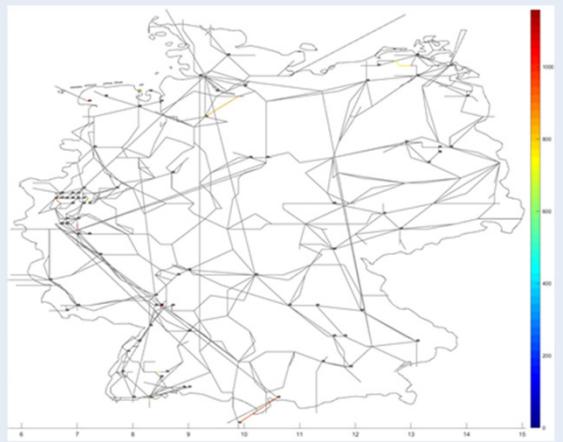


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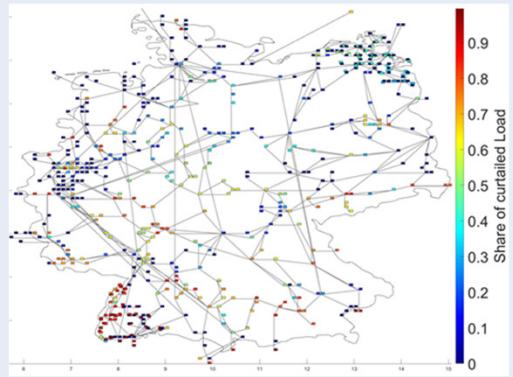
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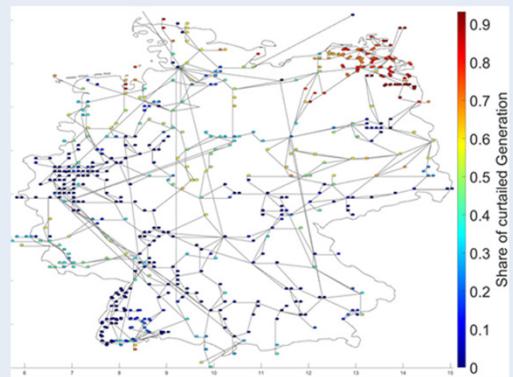
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Multipliers of lines
and transformers



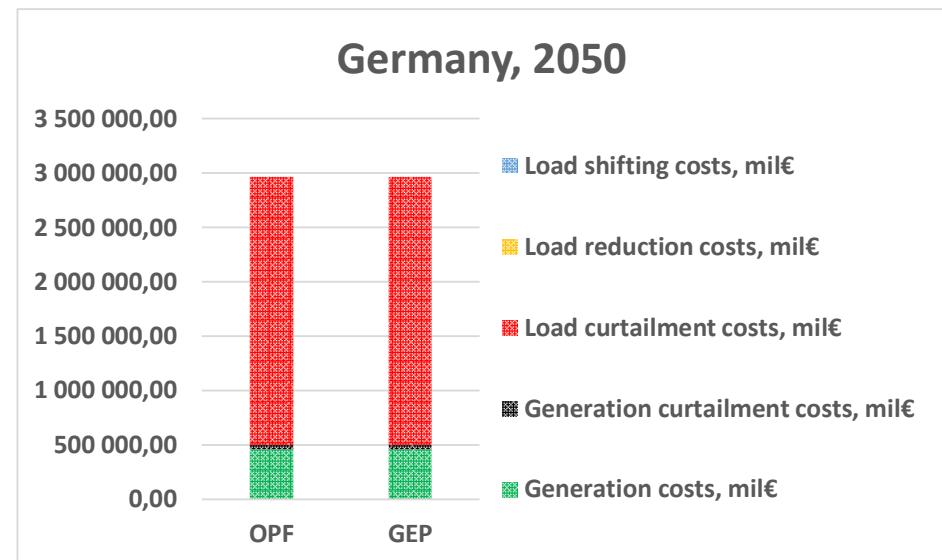
Load
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Generation
Curtailment



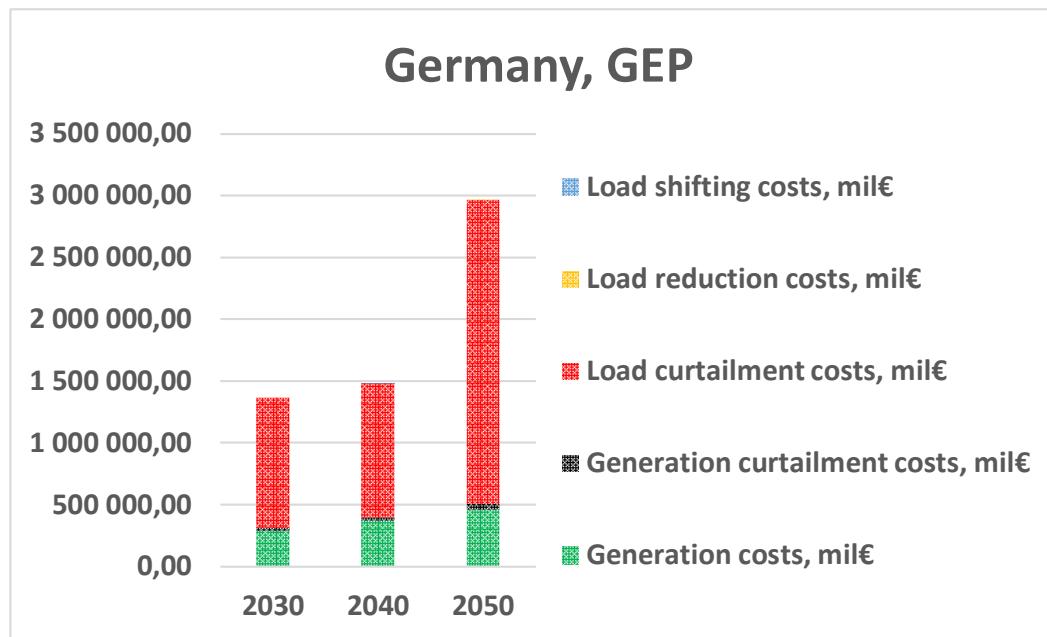
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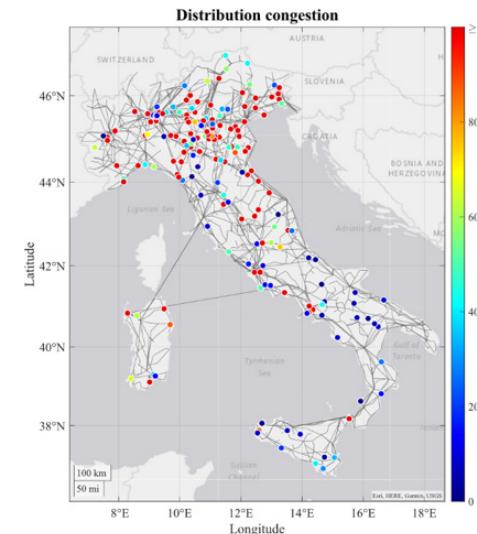
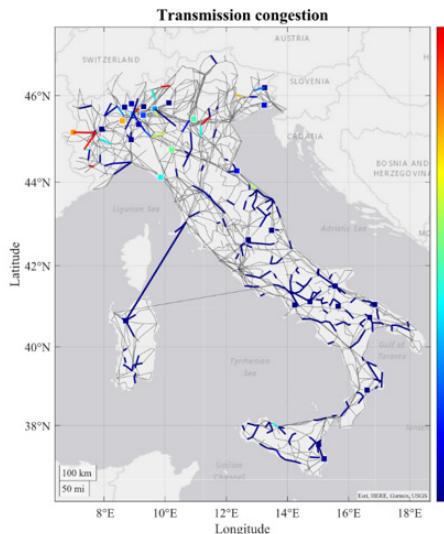


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Air Quality impact assessment, %	0.0002	0.0002	0.00001

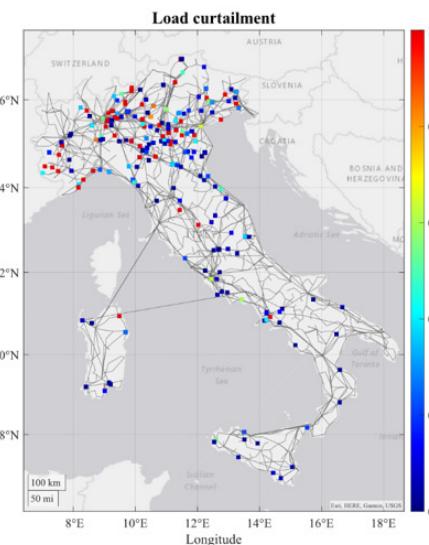
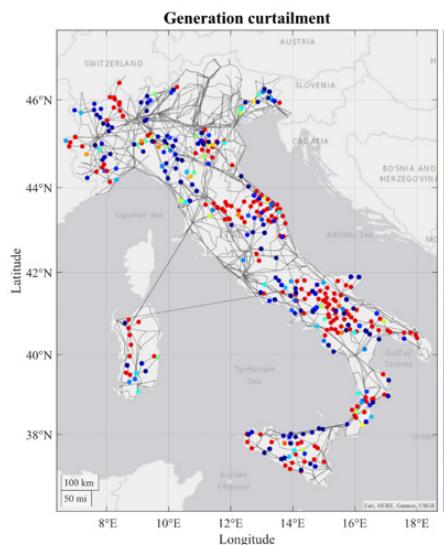
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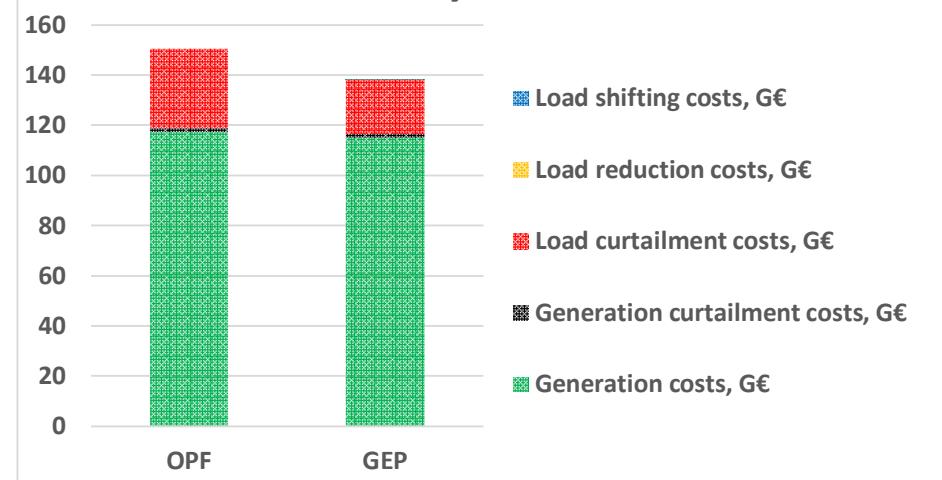
Overloaded lines and transformers



Curtailed generators (circles) and loads (squares)

Type	AC Branch	Transformer	Storage	Flexibility load	Total
Number of candidates	90	2	9	19	120
Investment decisions	7 (T)	1 (T)	6	0 (T)	59
	40 (D)	0 (D)		5 (D)	
Investment rejected	6 (T)	1 (T)	3	0 (T)	61
	37 (D)	0 (D)		14 (D)	

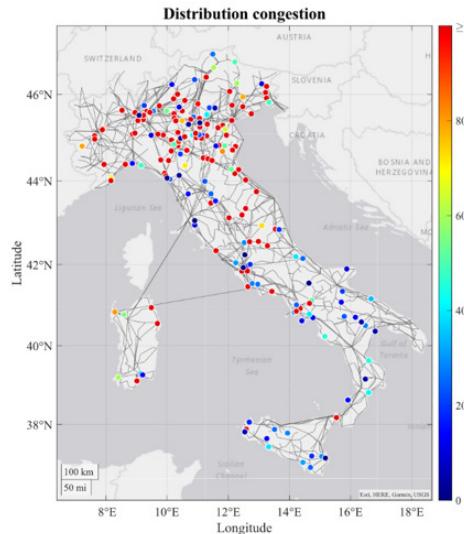
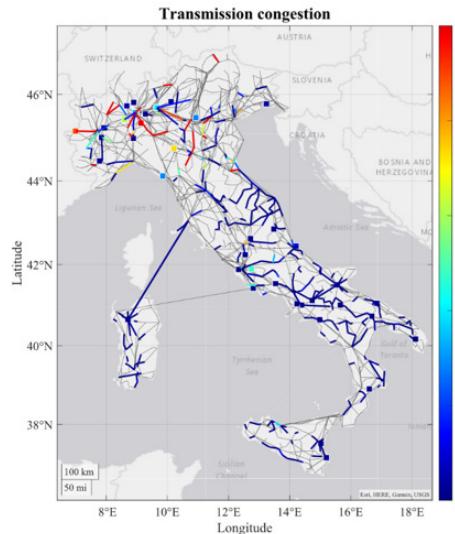
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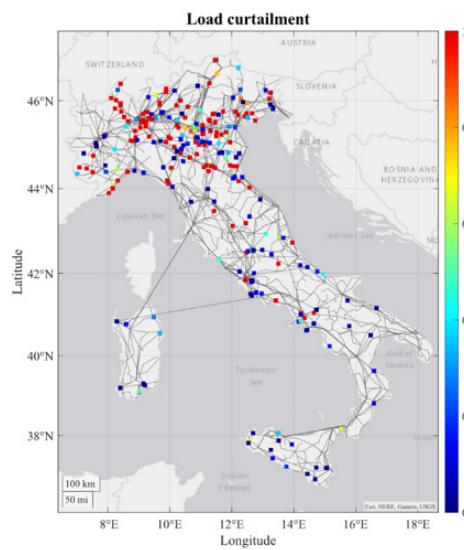
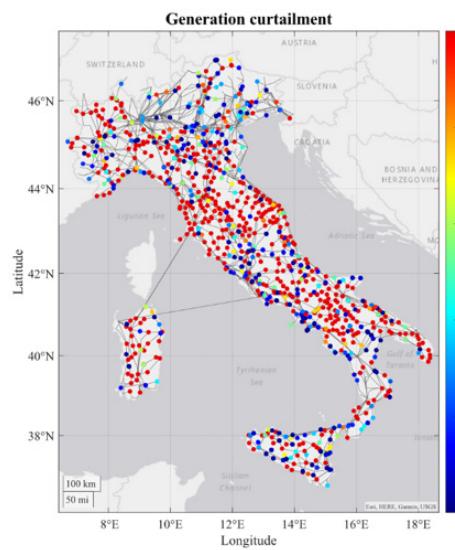
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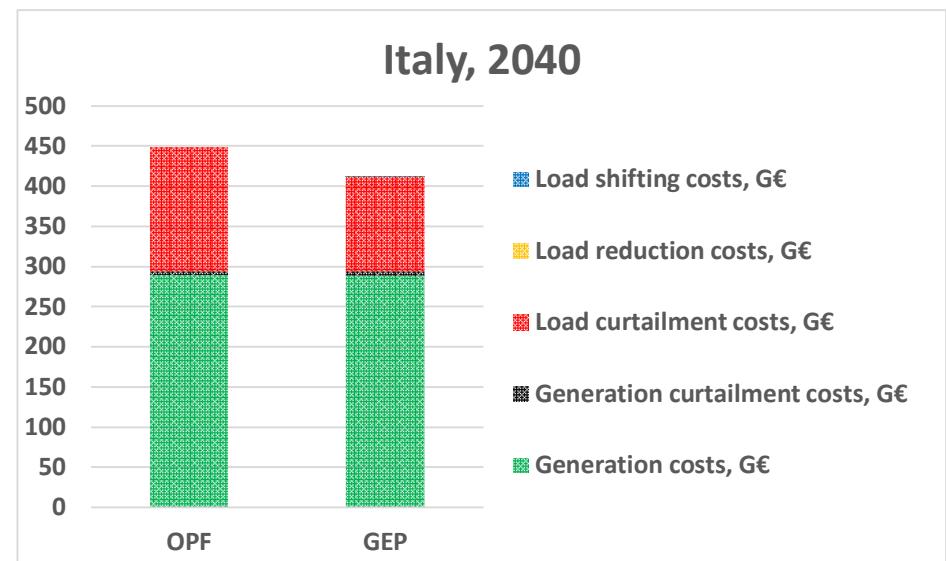


Type	AC Branch	Transformer	Storage	Flexibility load	Total
Number of candidates	85	0	7	12	104
Investment decisions	12 (T)	0 (T)	6	0 (T)	44
	17 (D)	0 (D)		9 (D)	
Investment rejected	4 (T)	0 (T)	1	0 (T)	60
	52 (D)	0 (D)		3 (D)	

Overloaded lines and transformers



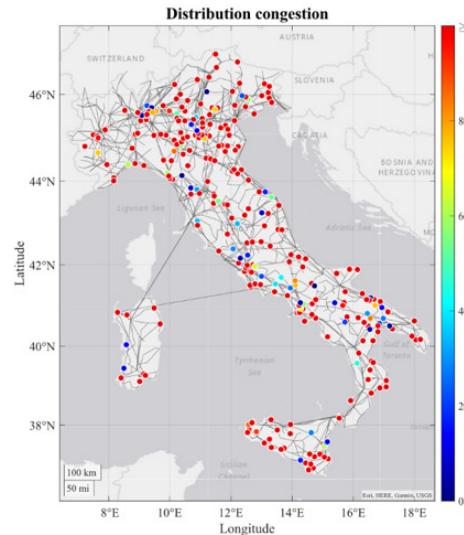
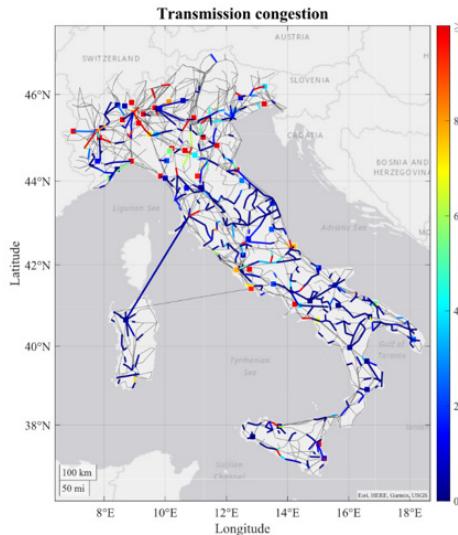
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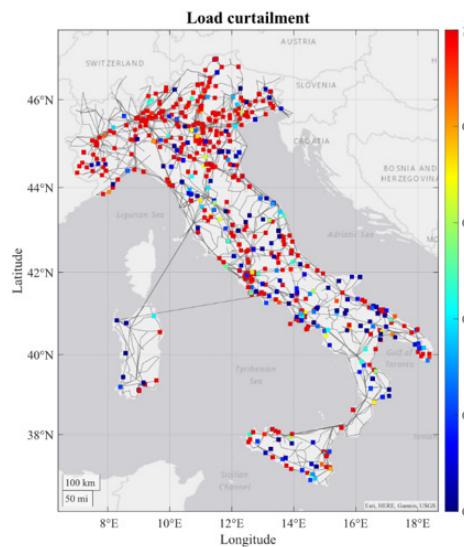
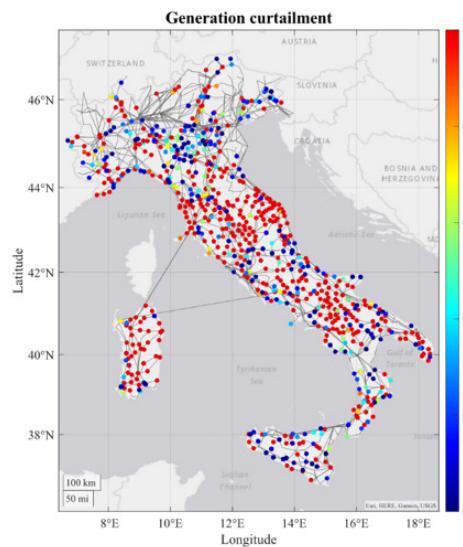
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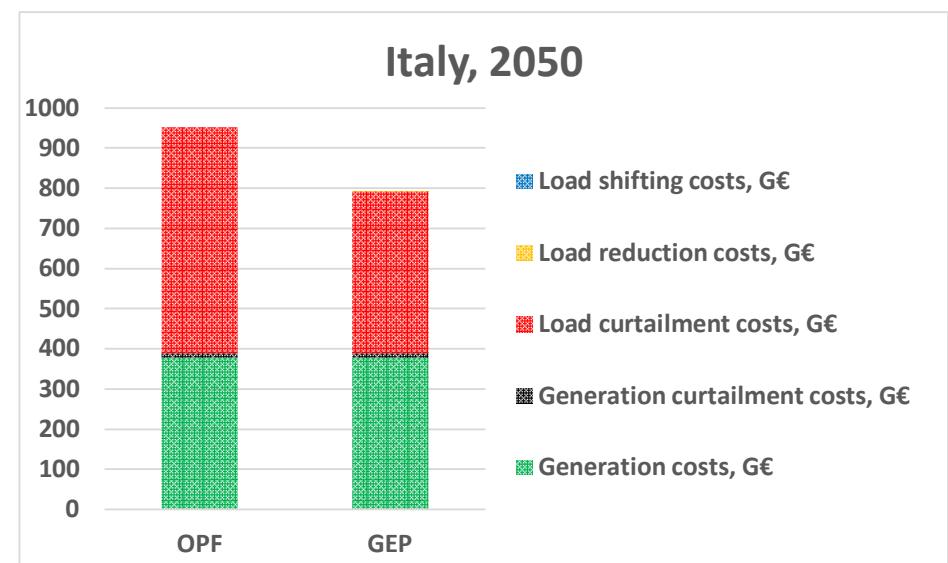


Type	AC Branch	Transformer	Storage	Flexibility load	Total
Number of candidates	92	9	5	1	107
Investment decisions	6 (T)	4 (T)	5	1 (T)	49
	29 (D)	4 (D)		0 (D)	
Investment rejected	4 (T)	1 (T)	0	0 (T)	58
	53 (D)	0 (D)		0 (D)	

Overloaded lines and transformers



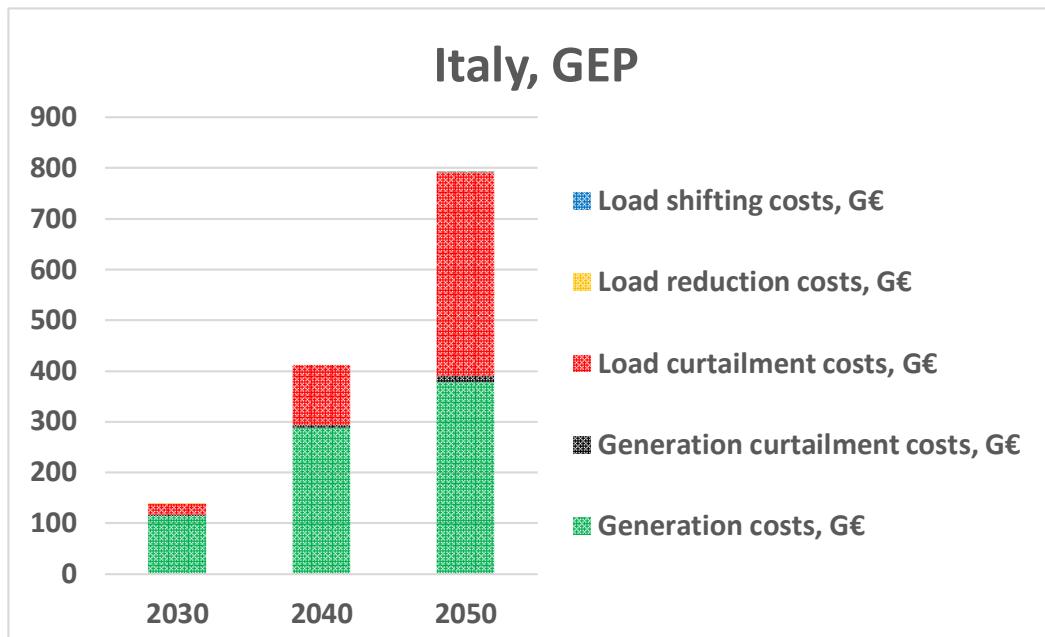
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Results of the planning process

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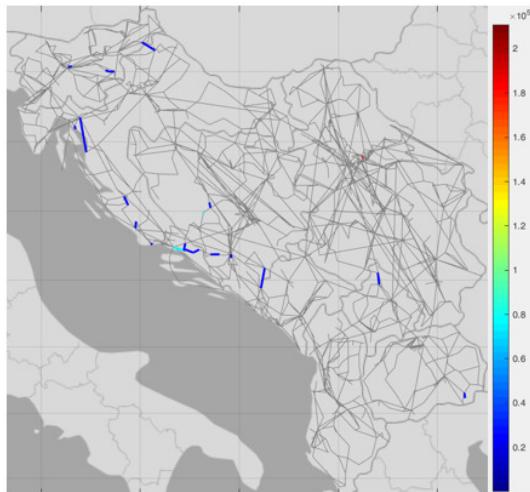
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Air Quality impact assessment, %	0.1	0.05	0.045

Results of the planning process

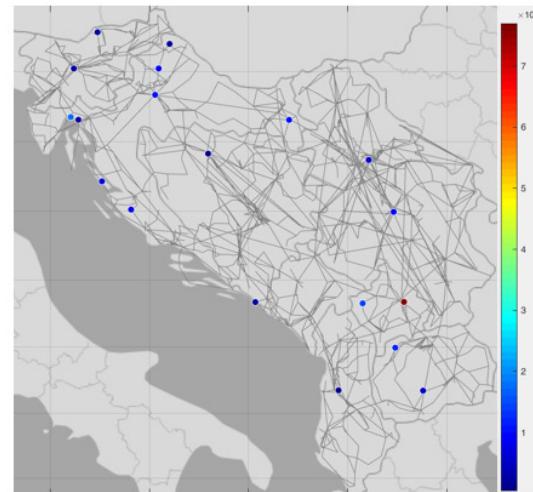
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Transmission network



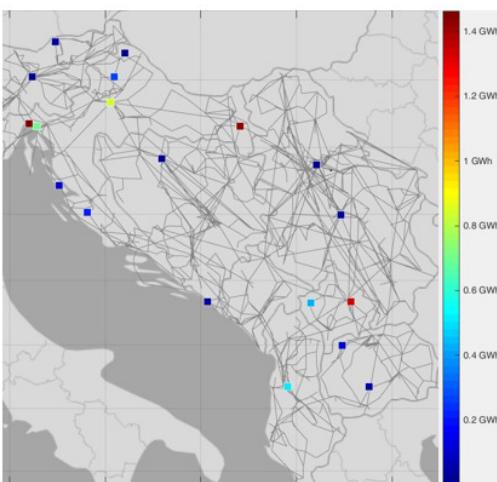
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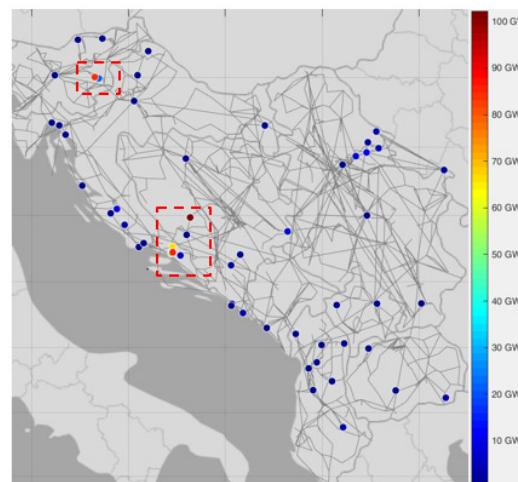
Type	AC Branch	Transformer	Storage	Flexibility load	Total
Number of candidates	37	0	38	25	100
Investment decisions	7 (T)	0 (T)	6	15	38
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Investment rejected	5 (T)	0 (T)	32	17	62
	15 (D)	0 (D)			

Overloaded lines and transformers

Transmission network

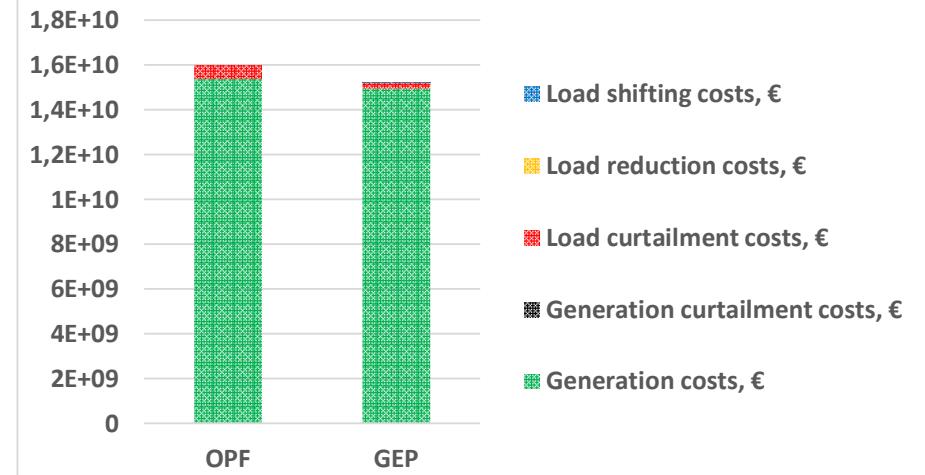


Distribution network



Curtailed generators (circles) and loads (squares)

Balkan Region, 2030

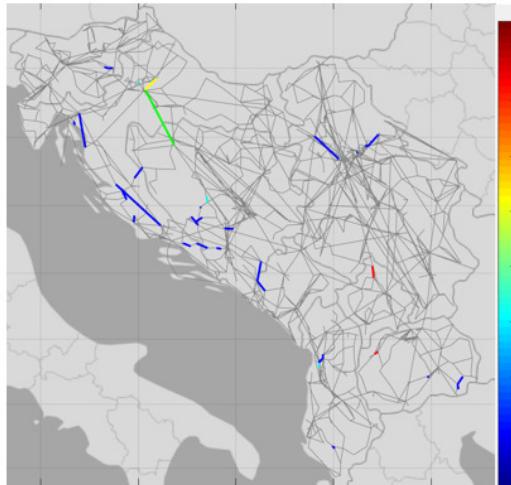


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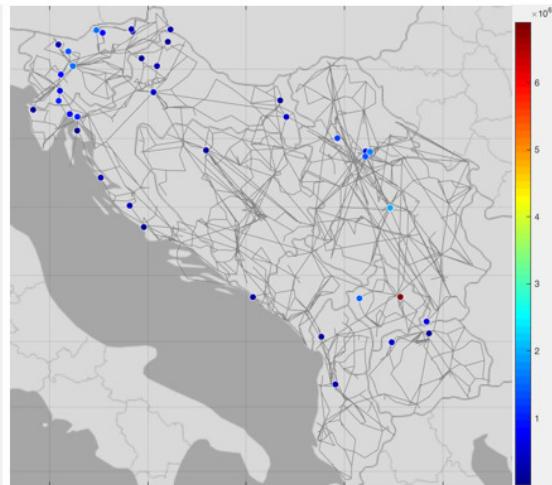
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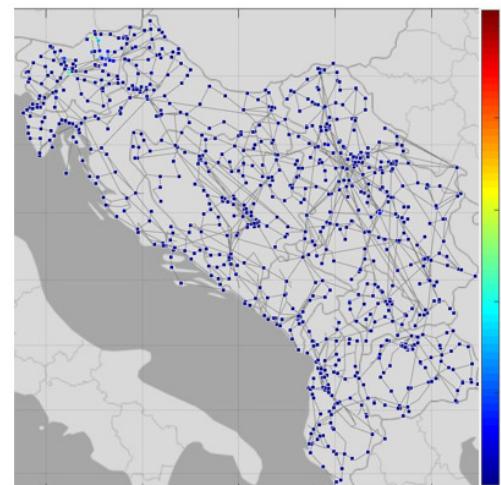
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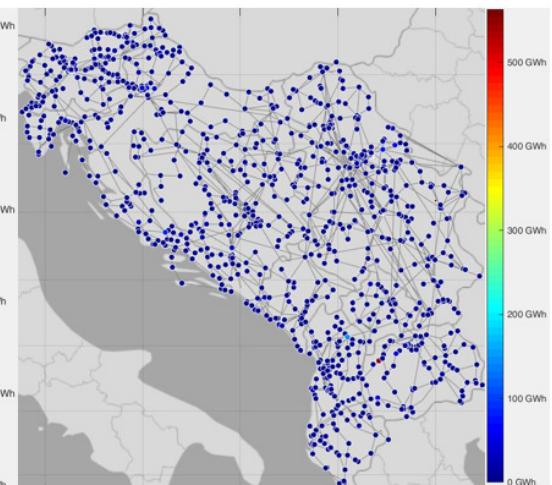
Type	AC Branch	Transformer	Storage	Flexibility load	Total
Number of candidates	40	0	38	22	100
Investment decisions	6 (T)	0 (T)	18	16	51
	11 (D)	0 (D)			
Investment rejected	7 (T)	0 (T)	20	6	49
	16 (D)	0 (D)			

Overloaded lines and transformers

Transmission network

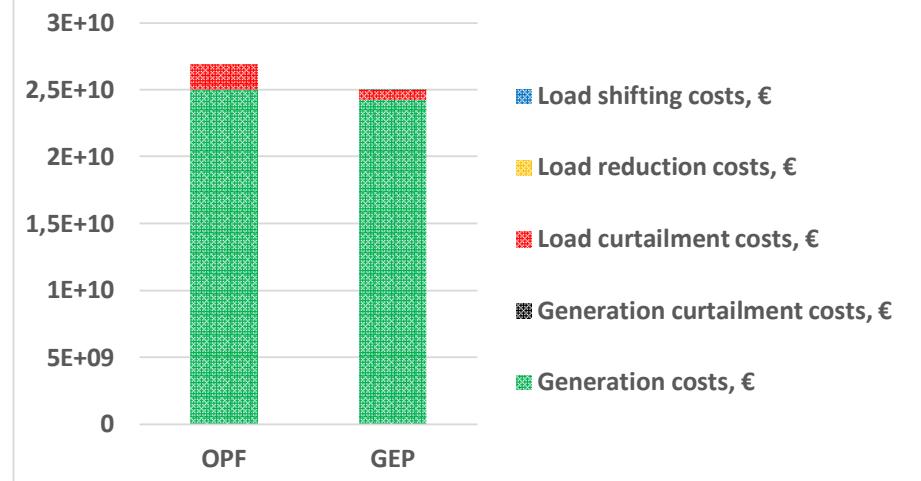


Distribution network



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Balkan Region, 2040

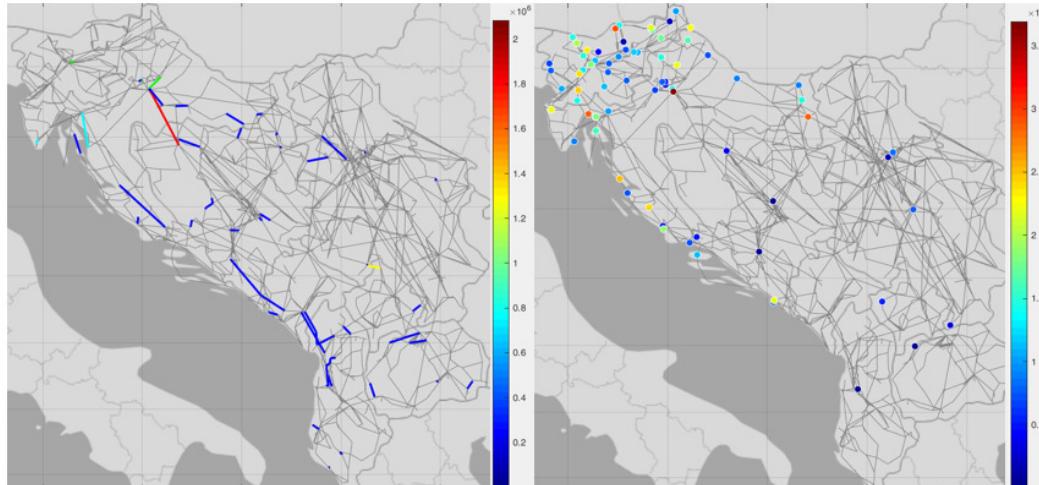


Results of the planning process

Balkan Region - 2050

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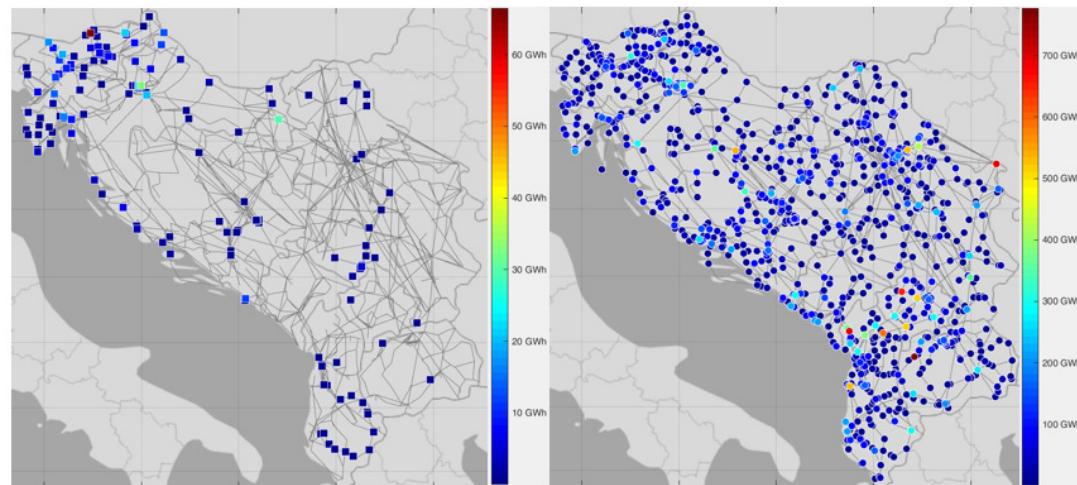


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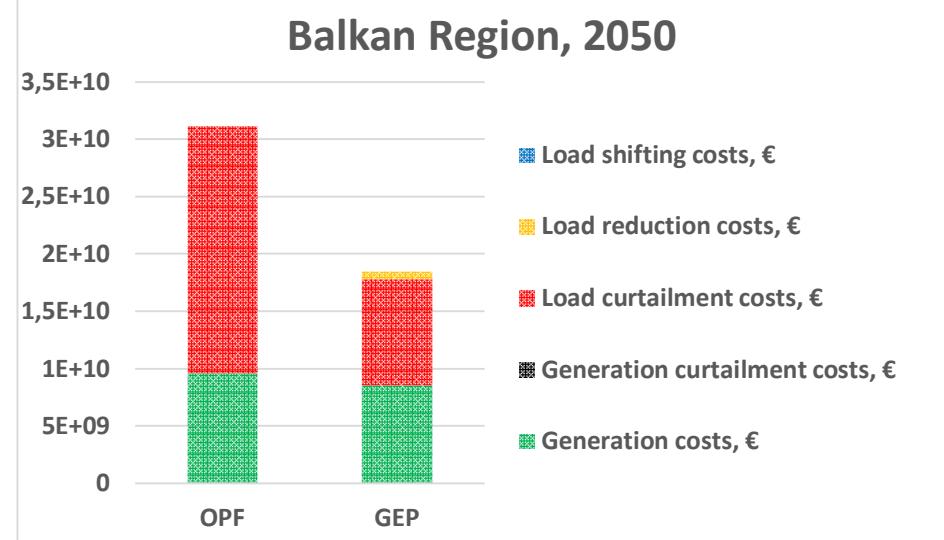
Type	AC Branch	Transformer	Storage	Flexibility load	Total
Number of candidates	44	0	23	33	100
Investment decisions	3 (T)	0 (T)	21	33	79
	22 (D)	0 (D)			
Investment rejected	4 (T)	0 (T)	2	0	21
	15 (D)	0 (D)			

Overloaded lines and transformers

Transmission network



Distribution network

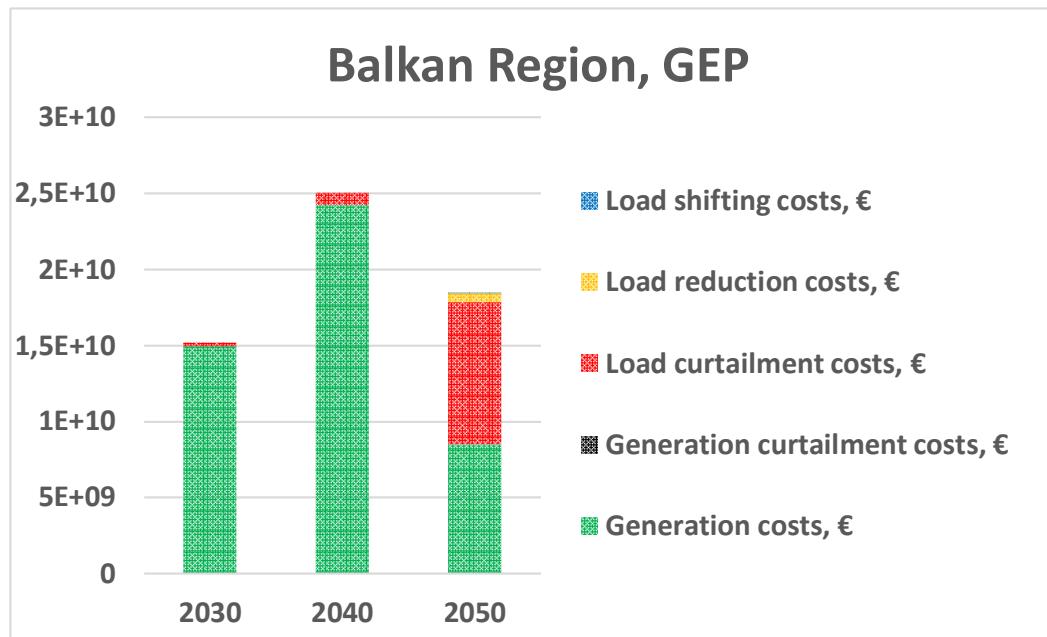


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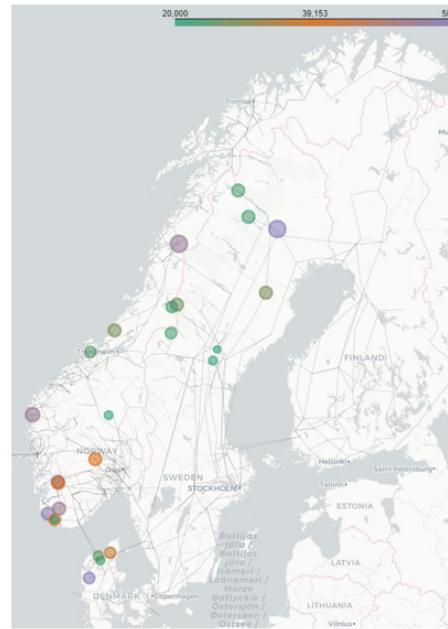
Year	2030	2040	2050
Carbon Footprint impact assessment, %	47.3	69.8	32.8
Air Quality impact assessment, %	1.9	0.81	0.9

Results of the planning process

Northern Countries - 2030

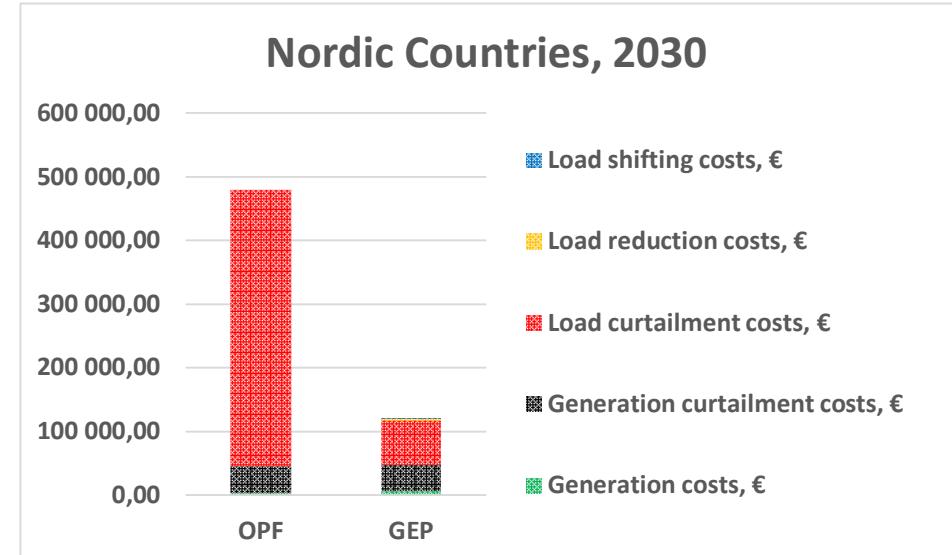
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Overloaded lines and transformers



Curtailed generators (circles) and loads (squares)

Type	AC Branch	Transformer	Storage	Flexibility load	Total
Number of candidates	108	0	3	3	114
Investment decisions	7 (T)	0 (T)	0	3 (T)	73
	63 (D)	0 (D)		0 (D)	
Investment rejected	6 (T)	0 (T)	3	0 (T)	41
	32 (D)	0 (D)		0 (D)	

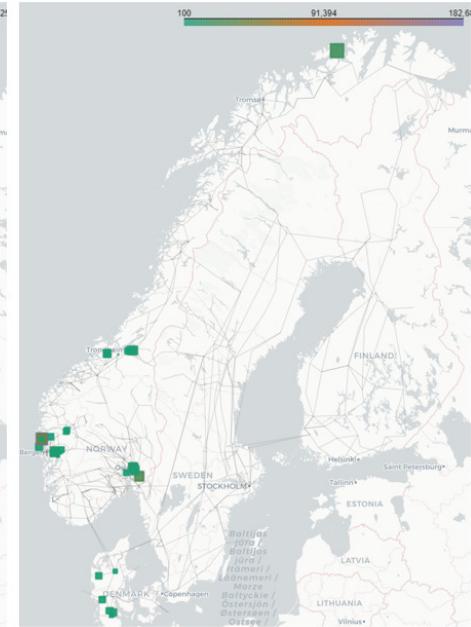
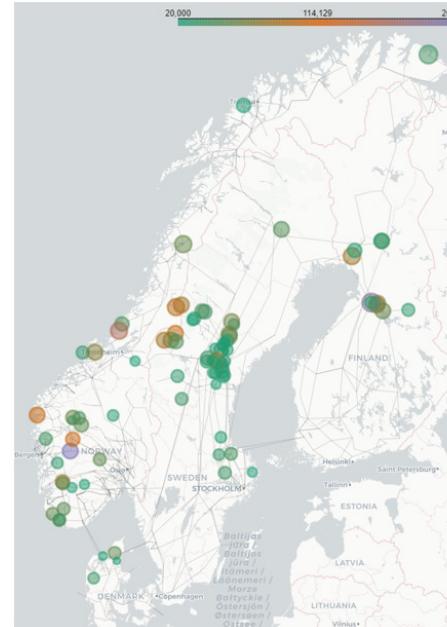


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Northern Countries - 2040

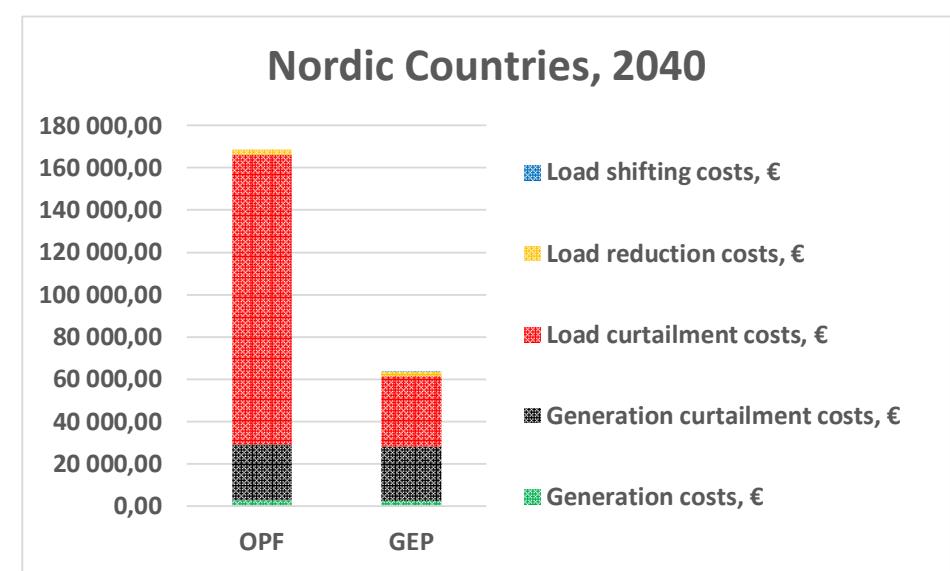
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Overloaded lines and transformers



Curtailed generators (circles) and loads (squares)

Type	AC Branch	Transformer	Storage	Flexibility load	Total
Number of candidates	89	3	8	0	100
Investment decisions	23 (T)	2 (T)	8	0 (T)	53
	20 (D)	0 (D)		0 (D)	
Investment rejected	3 (T)	1 (T)	0	0 (T)	47
	43 (D)	0 (D)		0 (D)	

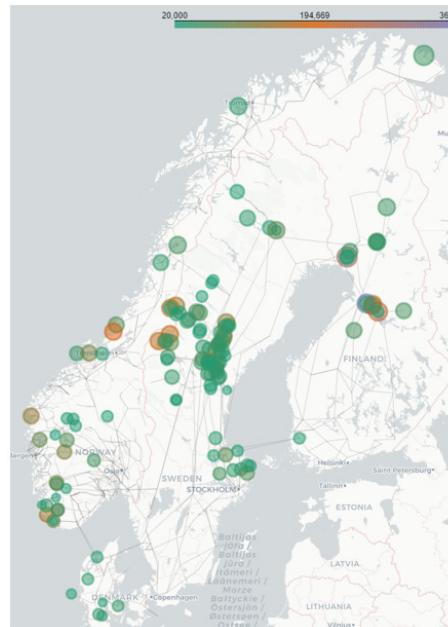


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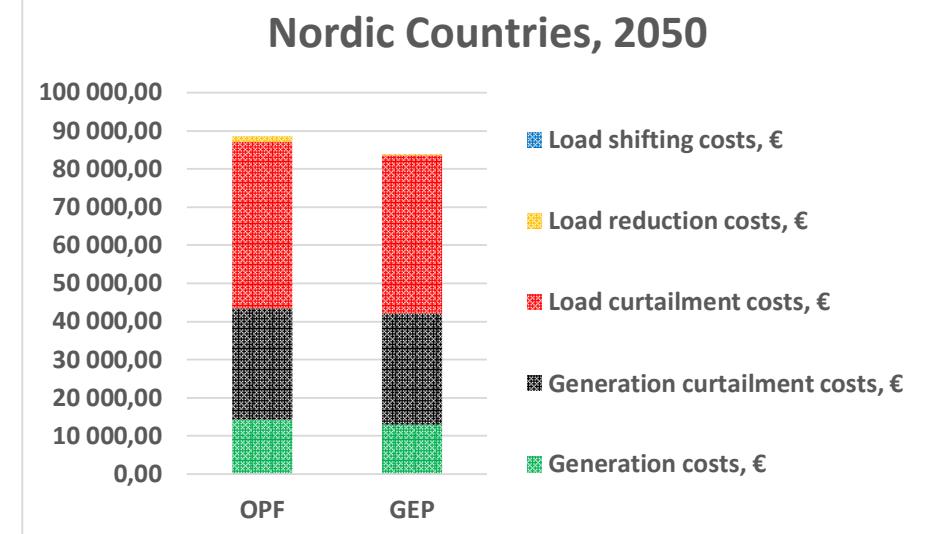
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Overloaded lines and transformers



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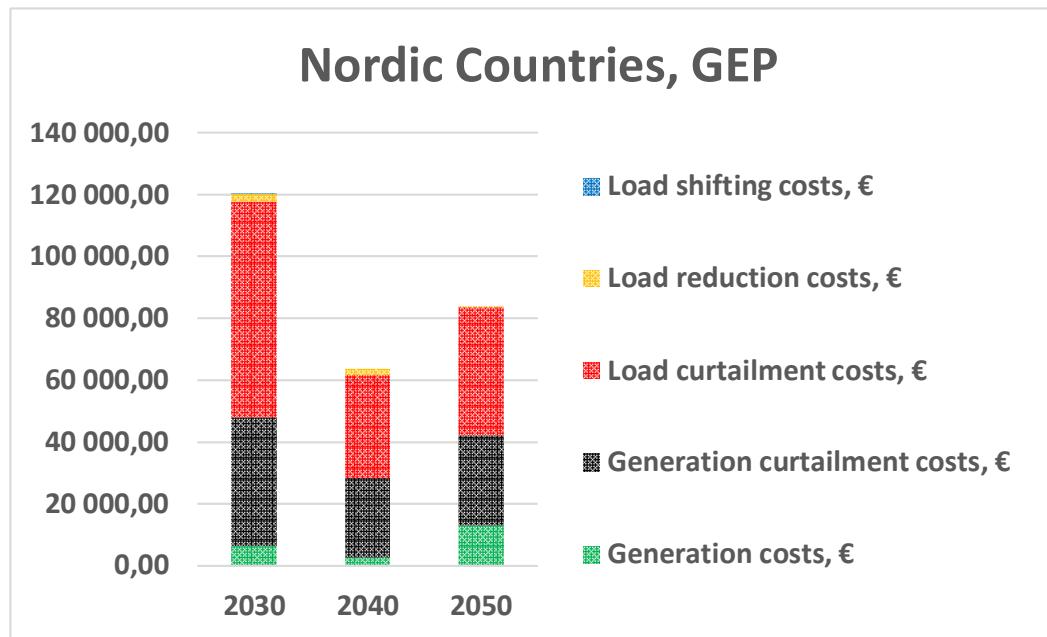
Type	AC Branch	Transformer	Storage	Flexibility load	Total
Number of candidates	79	0	2	19	100
Investment decisions	5 (T)	0 (T)	2	0 (T)	32
	12 (D)	0 (D)		13 (D)	
Investment rejected	2 (T)	0 (T)	0	0 (T)	68
	60 (D)	0 (D)		6 (D)	



Results of the planning process

Northern Countries

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Year	2030	2040	2050
Carbon Footprint impact assessment, %	0.273	0.229	1.761
Air Quality impact assessment, %	0.002	0.001	0.006

Results of the planning process

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Summary and comparison

- Number of congestions:
 - Increased with each time horizon
 - Increased load and/or generation profiles
 - Limiting the number of candidates
- Number and type of investment decisions:
 - Conventional grid reinforcement (lines and transformers)
 - Percentage in transmission does not exceed 37.1%
 - Approval rate for transmission candidates does not go below 42.9% (exception – French network with 0% approved)
 - Approval rate decrease or keep the same with each time horizon (exception – Italy RC and Northern Countries RC)
 - ✓ Italy RC: limiting the number of candidates and increase of load and RES generation
 - ✓ Northern Countries RC: difference in location of congestions
 - Flexibility resources (storages and flexibility loads)
 - Tendency to increase the approval rate with each time horizon for storages
 - Average approval rate of flexibility loads is 64%, the values vary from 6% (BeNeLux 2030) to 100% (in many cases)
- Variations of the costs before and after GEP:
 - 4 RC out of 6 – increase of the total costs throughout the years
 - 2 RC out of 6 – total costs of 2030 higher than 2040
 - BeNeLux due to increase in RES generation in 2040, whereas the load profile does not increase so drastically in 2040
 - Nordic RC due to approving candidates in the focus area with high density of congestions and area partially relieved from overloads in 2040
- Environmental impact assessment:
 - Carbon footprint plays more significant role
 - Maximum value of carbon footprint is 69.8% (Balkan RC in 2040)

Agenda

- Power system modelling
- Details of the scenario
- Model simplifications
- Results of the planning process
- Role of storage and demand flexibility

Role of storage and demand flexibility

Storage support to grid planning (transmission)

For the most severe congestions expected at transmission level, the preprocessor proposes:

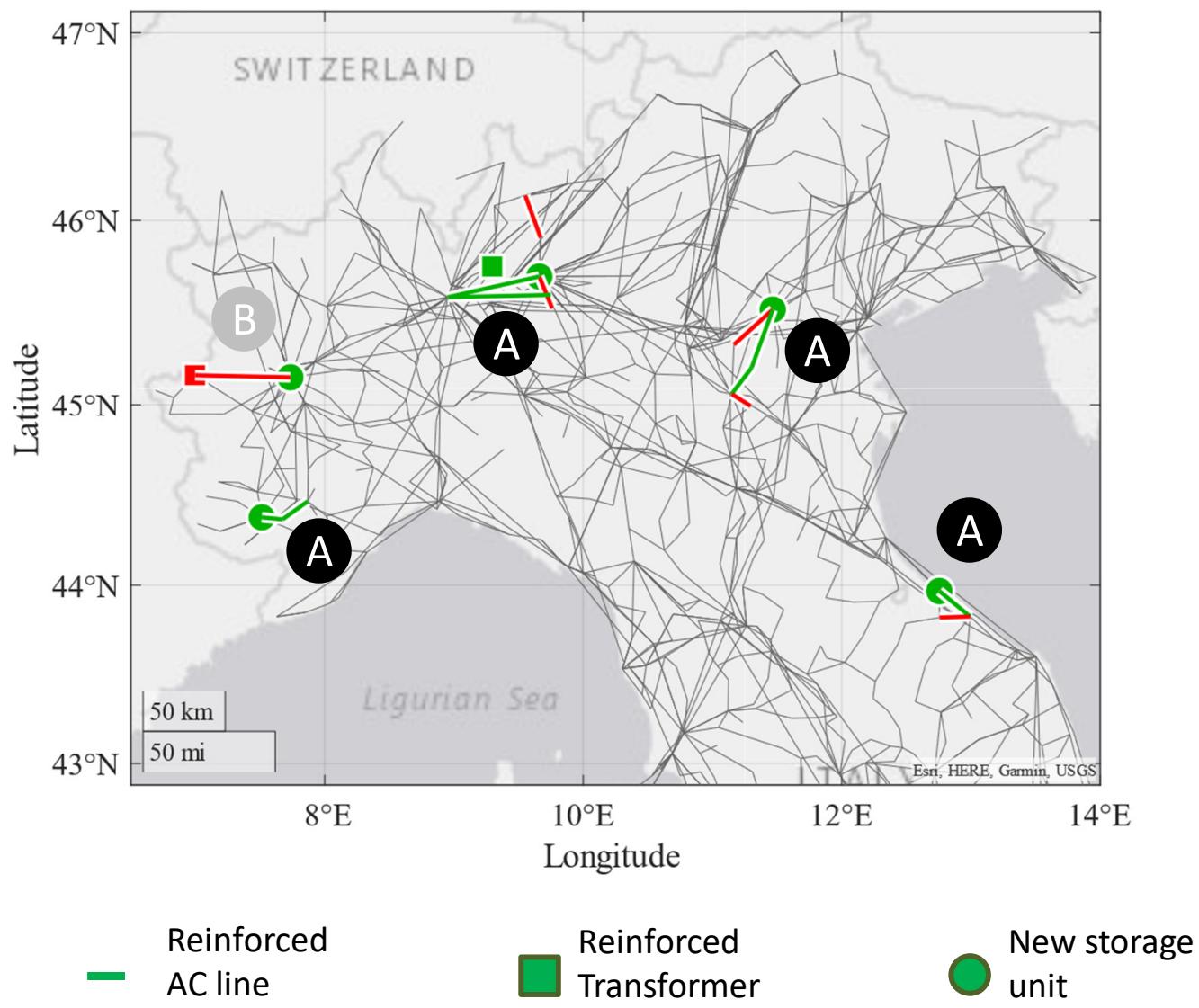
- A set of lines and transformer reinforcements** (corridor related to the selected congestion)
- A storage unit** (which size and technology depends on the severity/frequency of the congestion)

CASE A

- In most of the cases, storage units are selected together with corridor reinforcement:
 - Line reinforcement solves the persistent overloading and significantly decreases the related congestion severity
 - Storage units are working in synergy with enhanced lines and support the management of periodic (and short-duration) congestions

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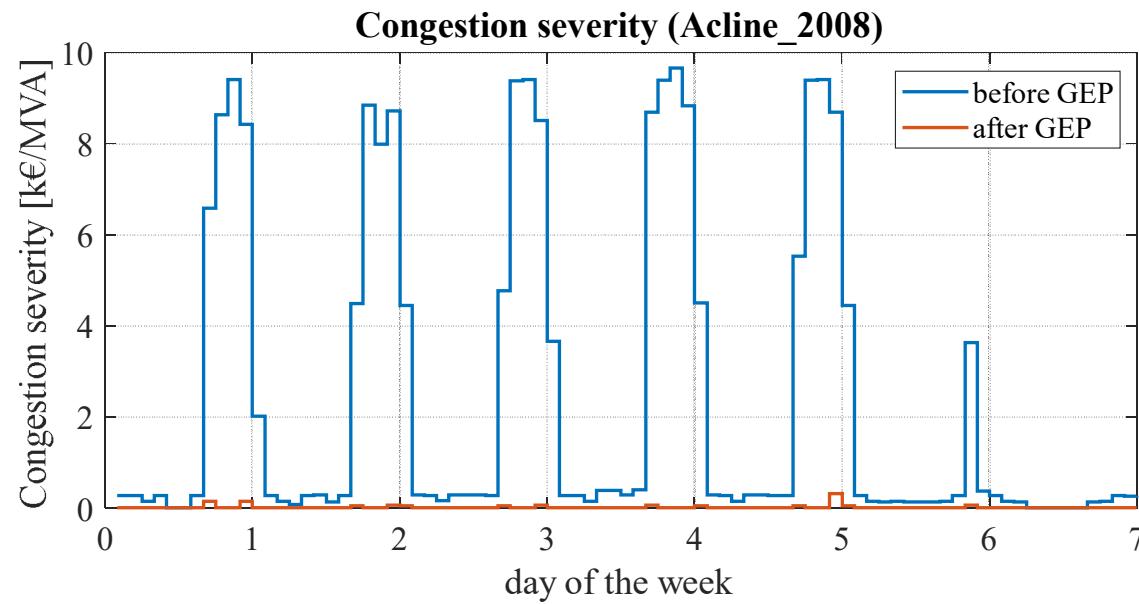
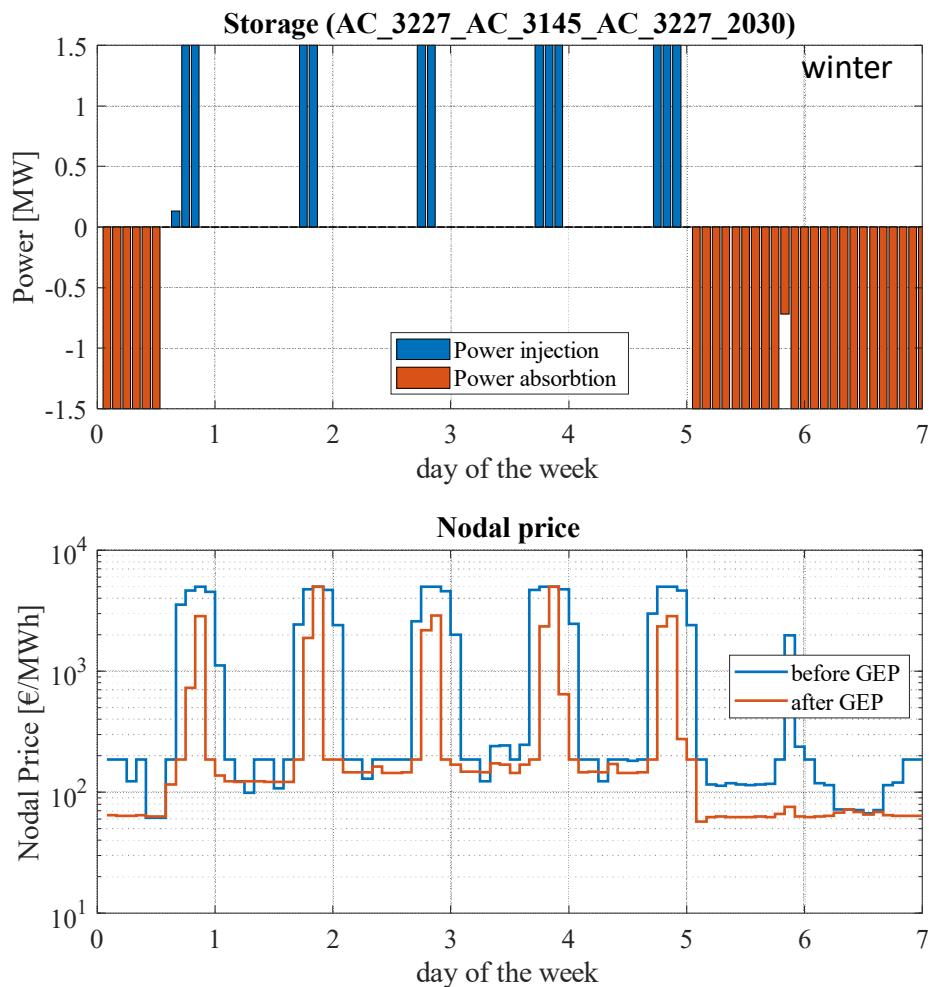
Transmission candidates



Role of storage and demand flexibility

Storage support to grid planning (CASE A)

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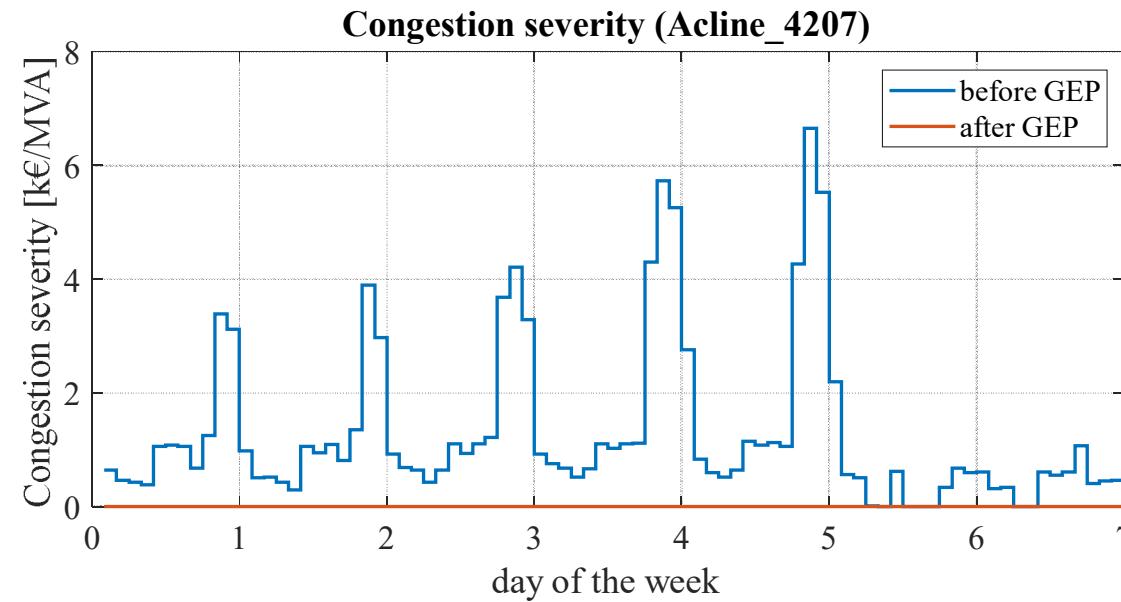
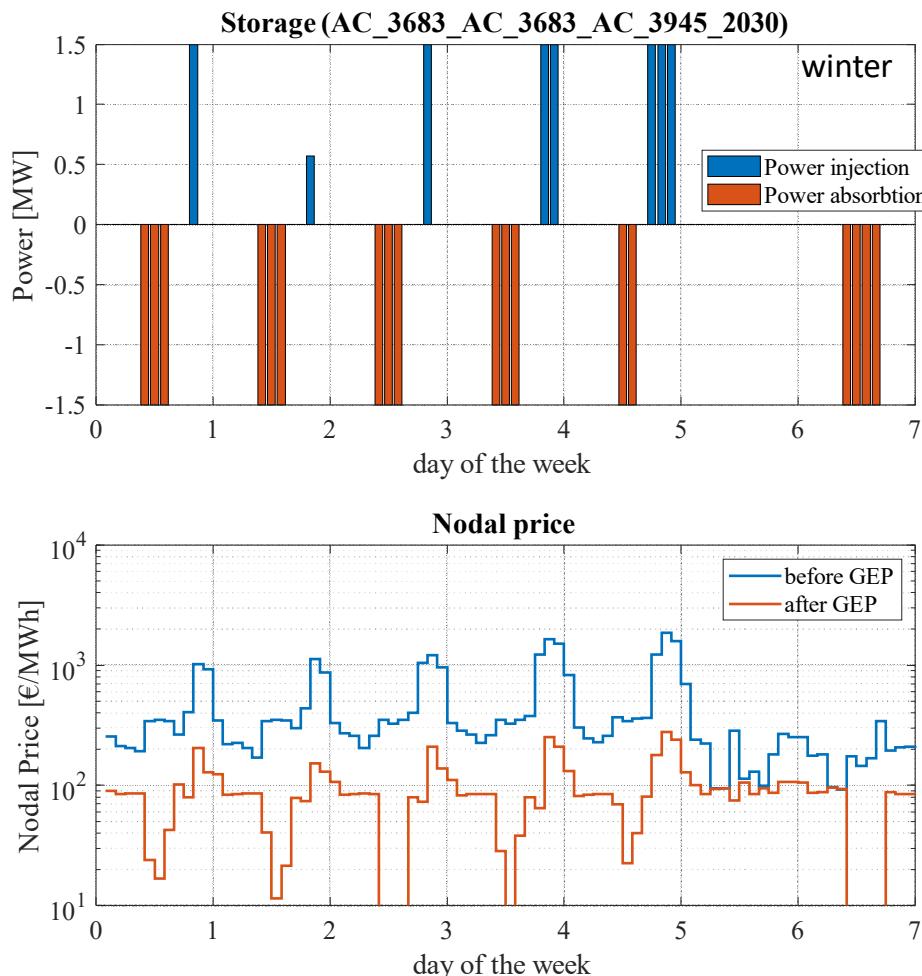


- The congestion severity goes to zero, thanks to the synergy of both line reinforcement and storage (which power contribution matches the time instants of previous congestions)
- Another congestion persists on the grid, and it causes a periodic curtailment of local load (high local price in evening hours)

Role of storage and demand flexibility

Storage support to grid planning (CASE A)

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- The congestion severity goes to zero, but this time the main credit is attributed to line reinforcement
- In this case storage is selected by the GEP process in order to perform arbitrage functions
 - It stores energy during photovoltaic peak hours (nodal price=0), while it injects power when the nodal price is higher
 - The revenue of arbitrage is sufficient to justify storage investment

Role of storage and demand flexibility

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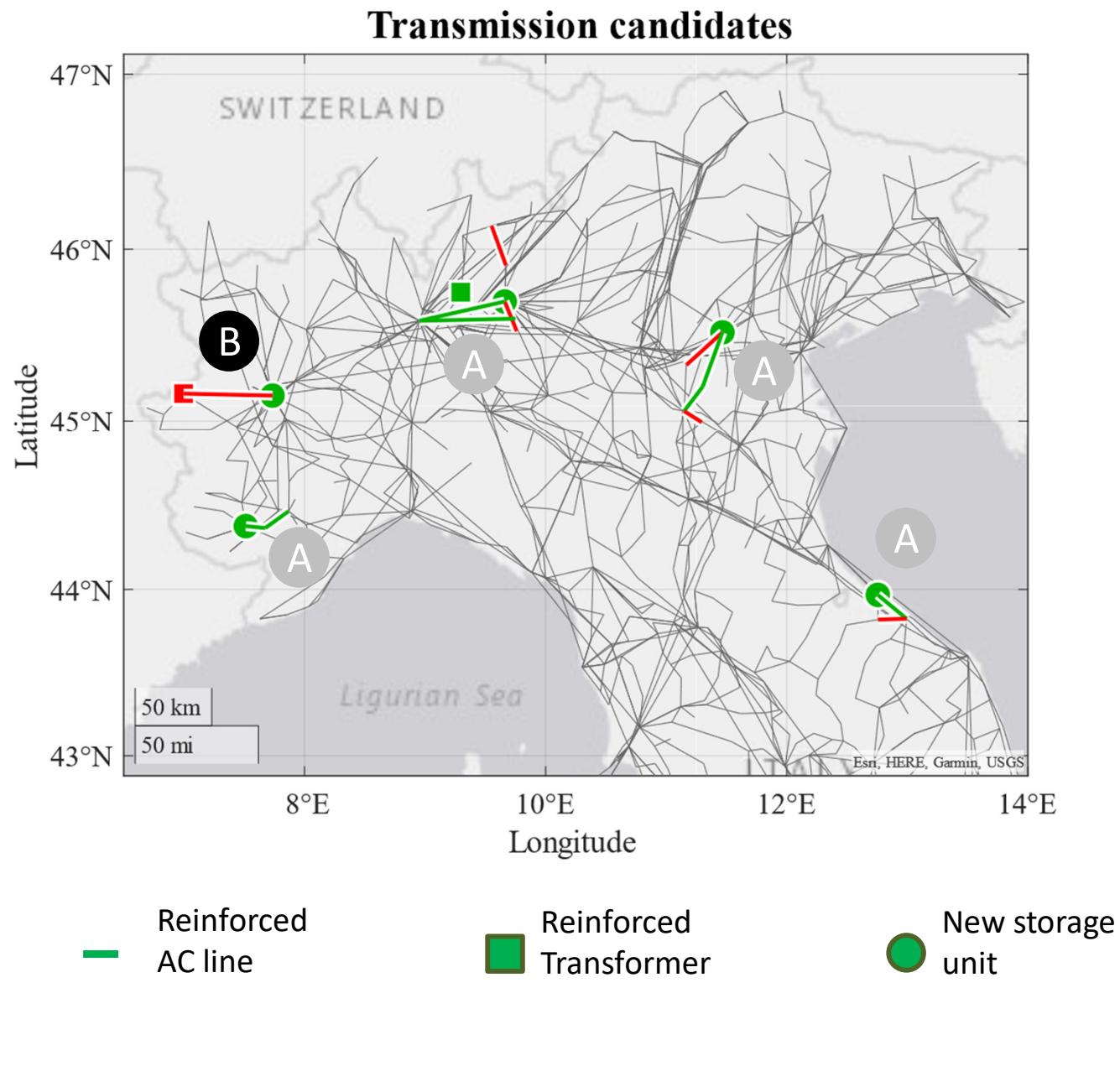
Storage support to grid planning

For the most severe congestions expected at transmission level, the preprocessor proposes:

- A set of lines and transformer reinforcements** (corridor related to the selected congestion)
- A storage unit** (which size and technology depends on the severity/frequency of the congestion)

CASE B

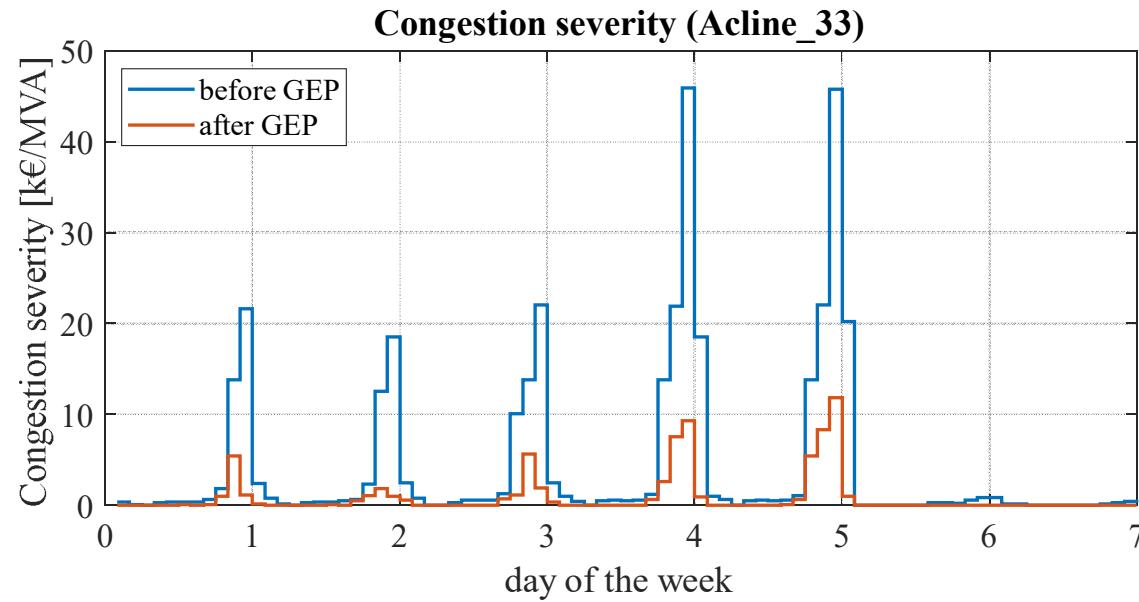
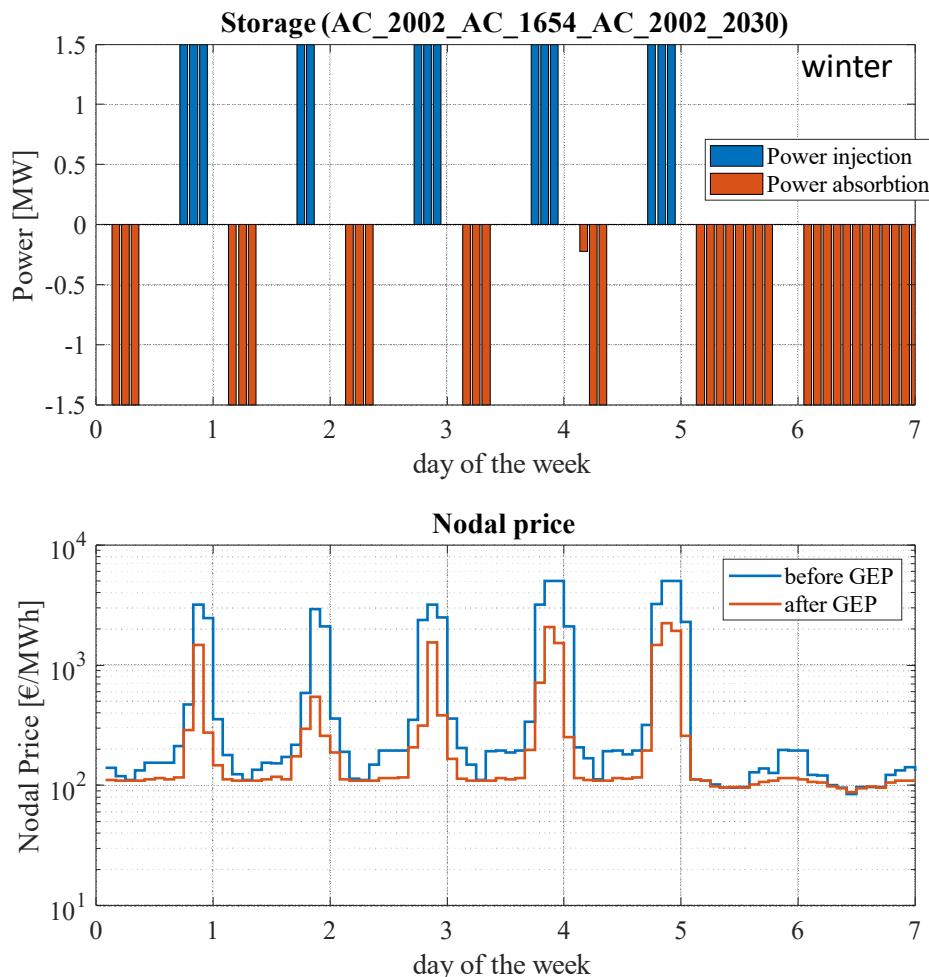
- In one circumstance, a storage unit is selected without the reinforcement of the corresponding corridor:
 - In this case, the corridor includes transformer which significantly increases the cost of the conventional grid reinforcement
 - The interested line are congested for a limited number of hours (curtailment of evening load during business days)



Role of storage and demand flexibility

Storage support to grid planning (CASE B)

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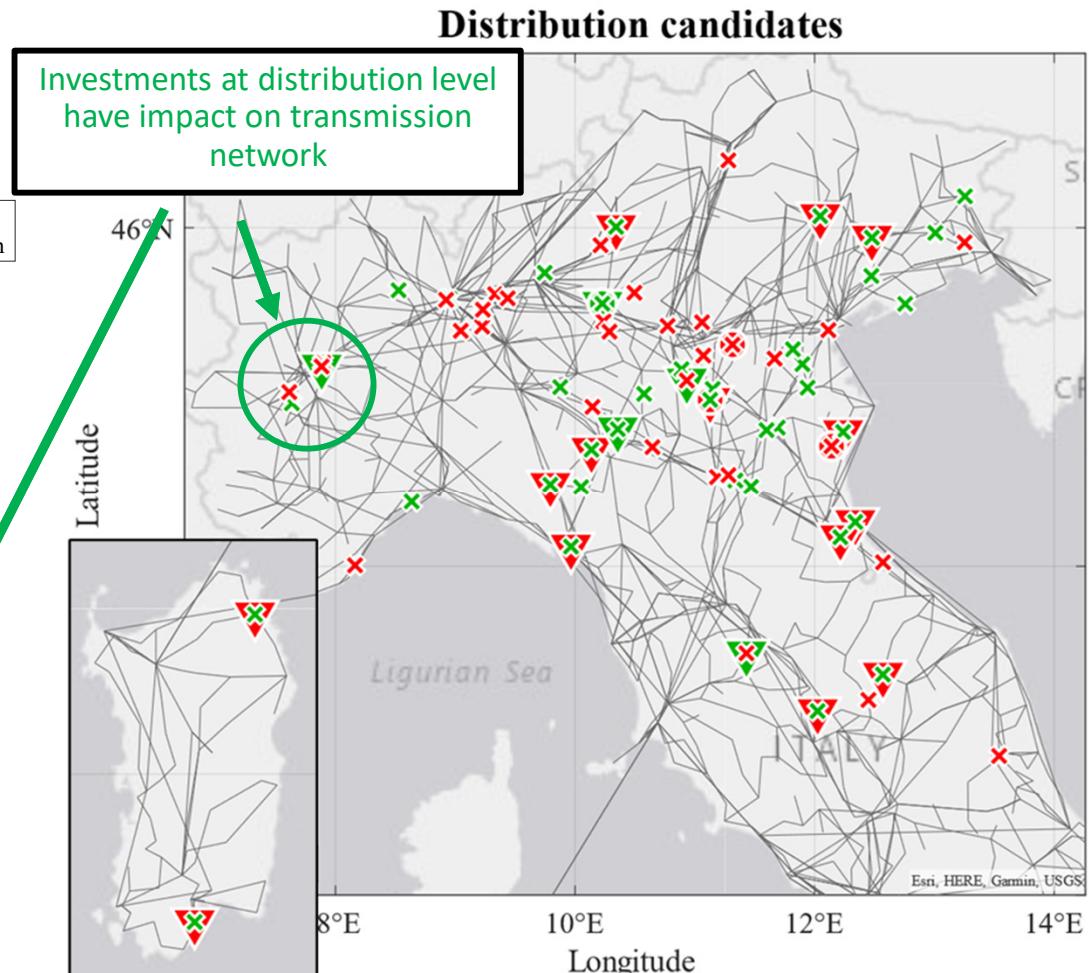
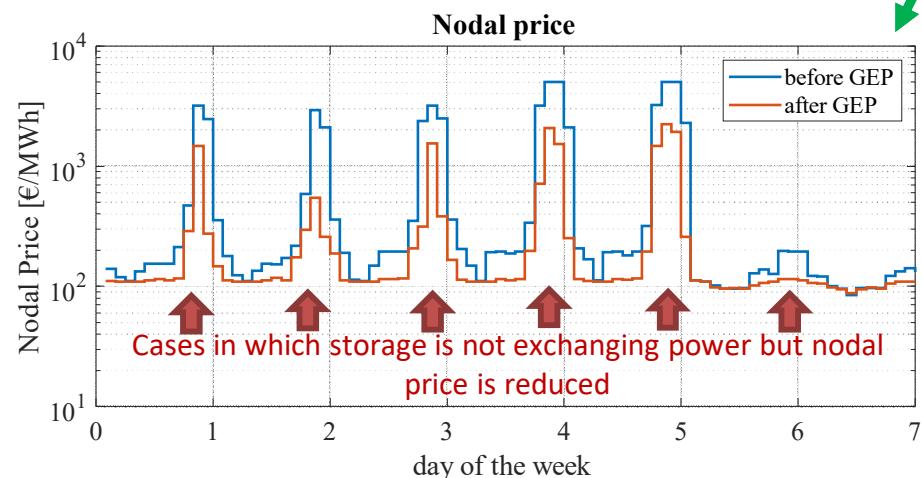
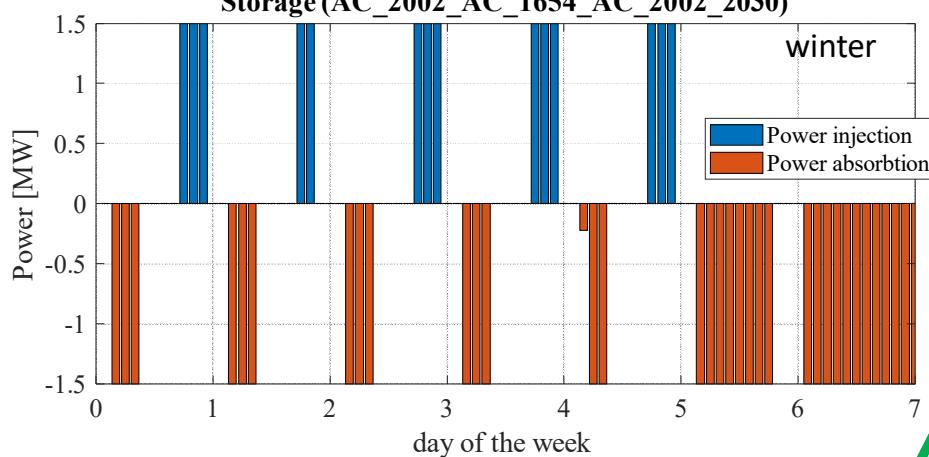


- Nodal price evolution indicates load curtailment during business-day evenings (for a few hours in the evening)
- Storage is selected in order to supply energy to local loads:
 - It reduces the level of congestion of the corresponding corridor
 - The nodal price is still high: its power capacity is not sufficient to entirely supply the local curtailed demand

Role of storage and demand flexibility

Storage support to grid planning (CASE B)

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Role of storage and demand flexibility

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Flexibility support on grid planning – distribution (CASE A)

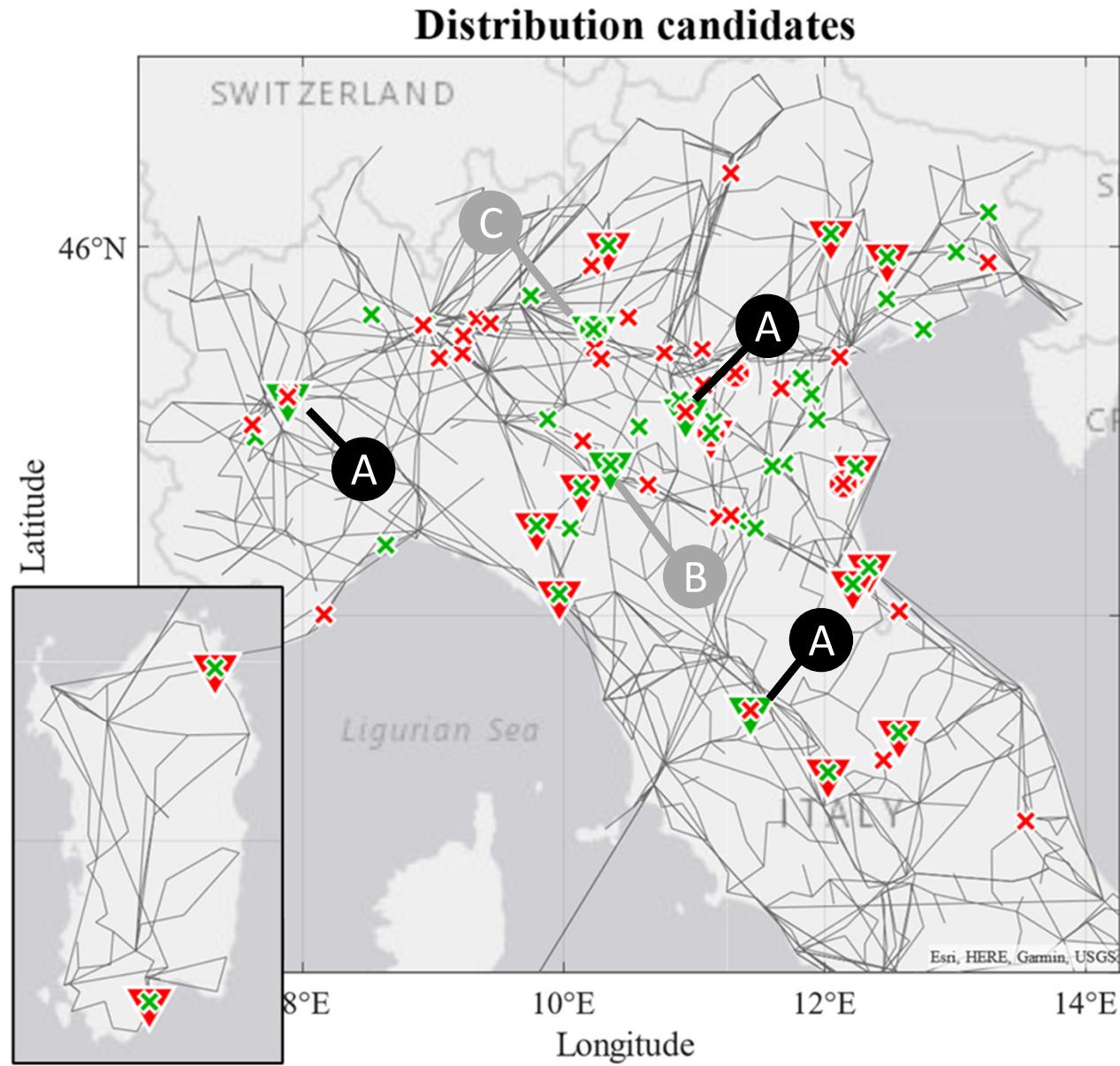
For the most severe congestions expected at distribution level, the preprocessor proposes:

- A set of lines and transformer reinforcements** (corridor related to the selected congestion)
- Flexibilization of existing load** (in case of specific intermittency and severity of the congestion)
- A storage unit** (which size and technology depends on the severity/frequency of the congestion)

CASE A

- Both line reinforcement and load flexibilization are proposed as planning candidates
- Only load flexibilization is accepted

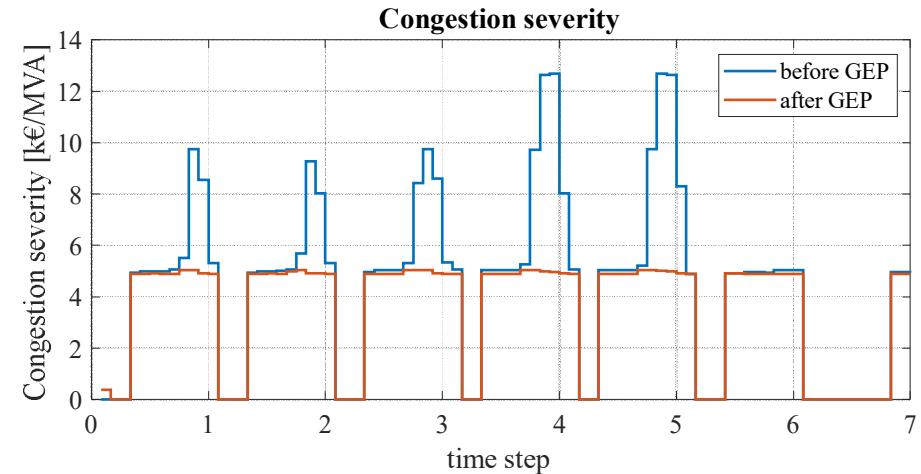
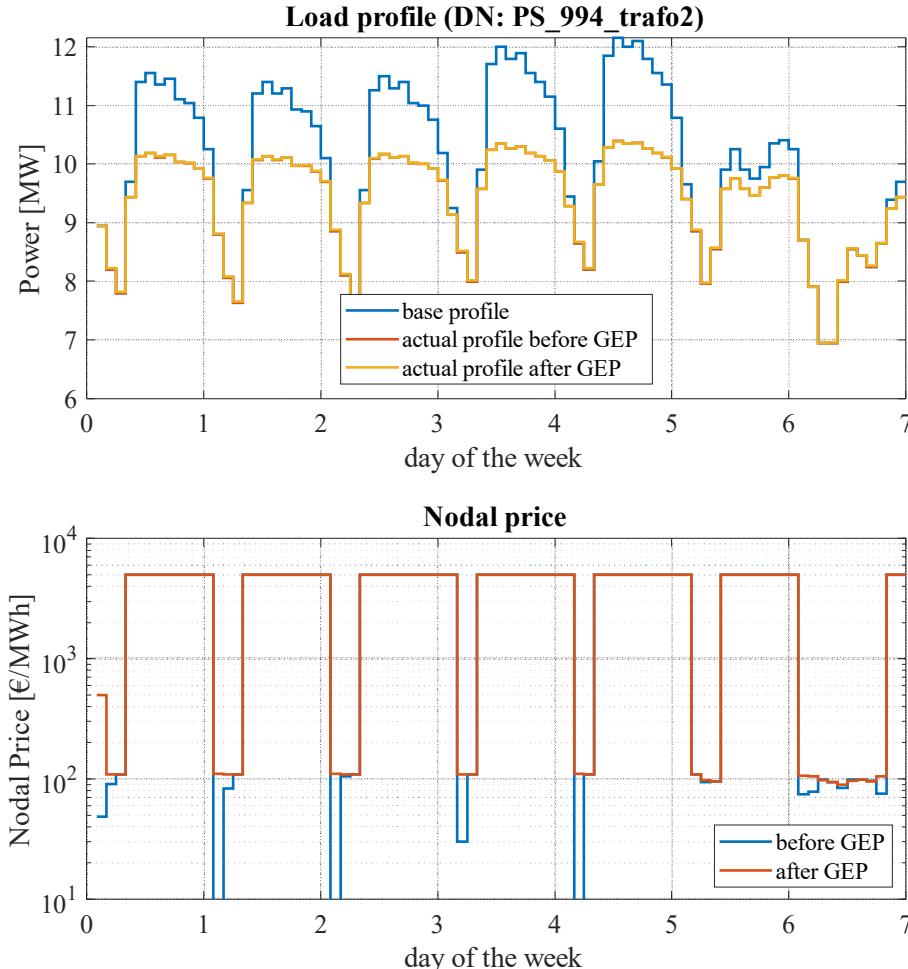
 Reinforced AC line  Flexibilization of existing load  New storage unit



Role of storage and demand flexibility

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Flexibility support on grid planning – distribution (CASE A)

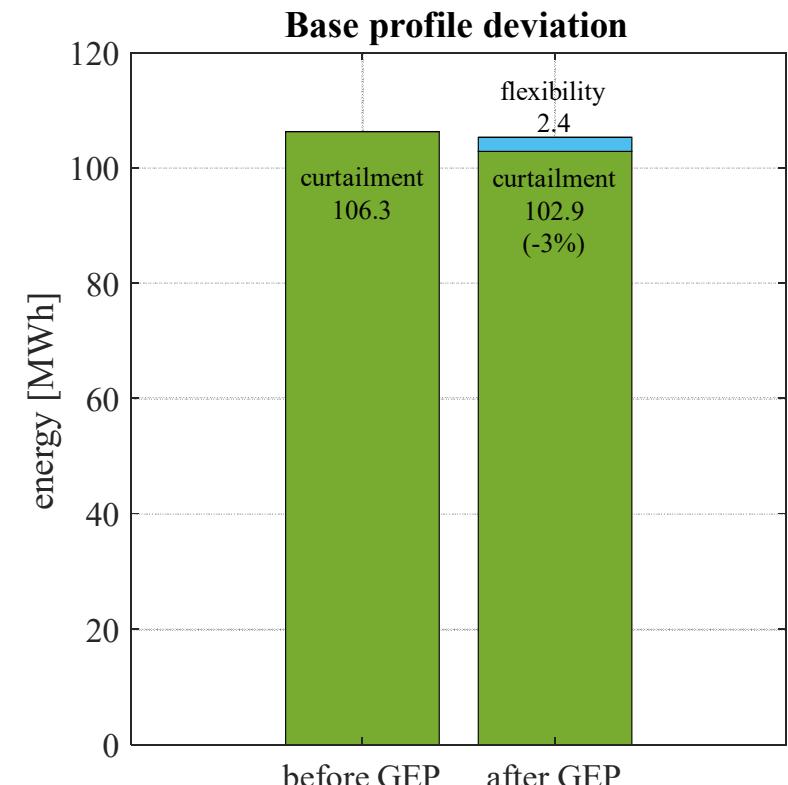
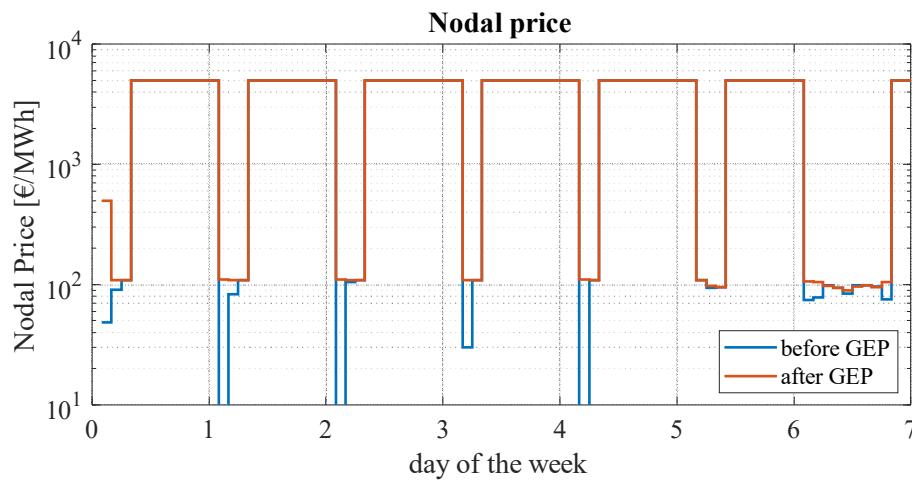
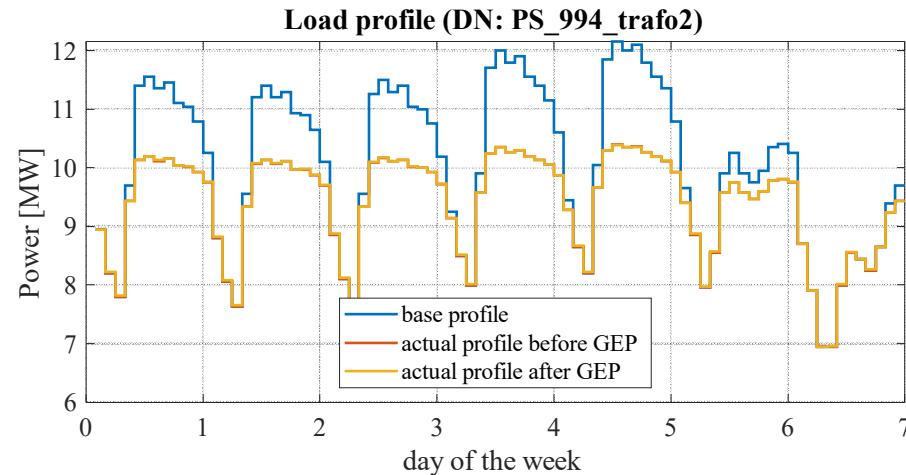


- The evolution of nodal price indicates that flexible load is not sufficient to clear the existing congestion and load curtailment persists
- Contribution of load flexibility:
 - It reduces the nodal price during the early morning, since it optimizes the consumption of local renewable energy sources
 - It contributes to the reduction of congestion severity during evening hours

Role of storage and demand flexibility

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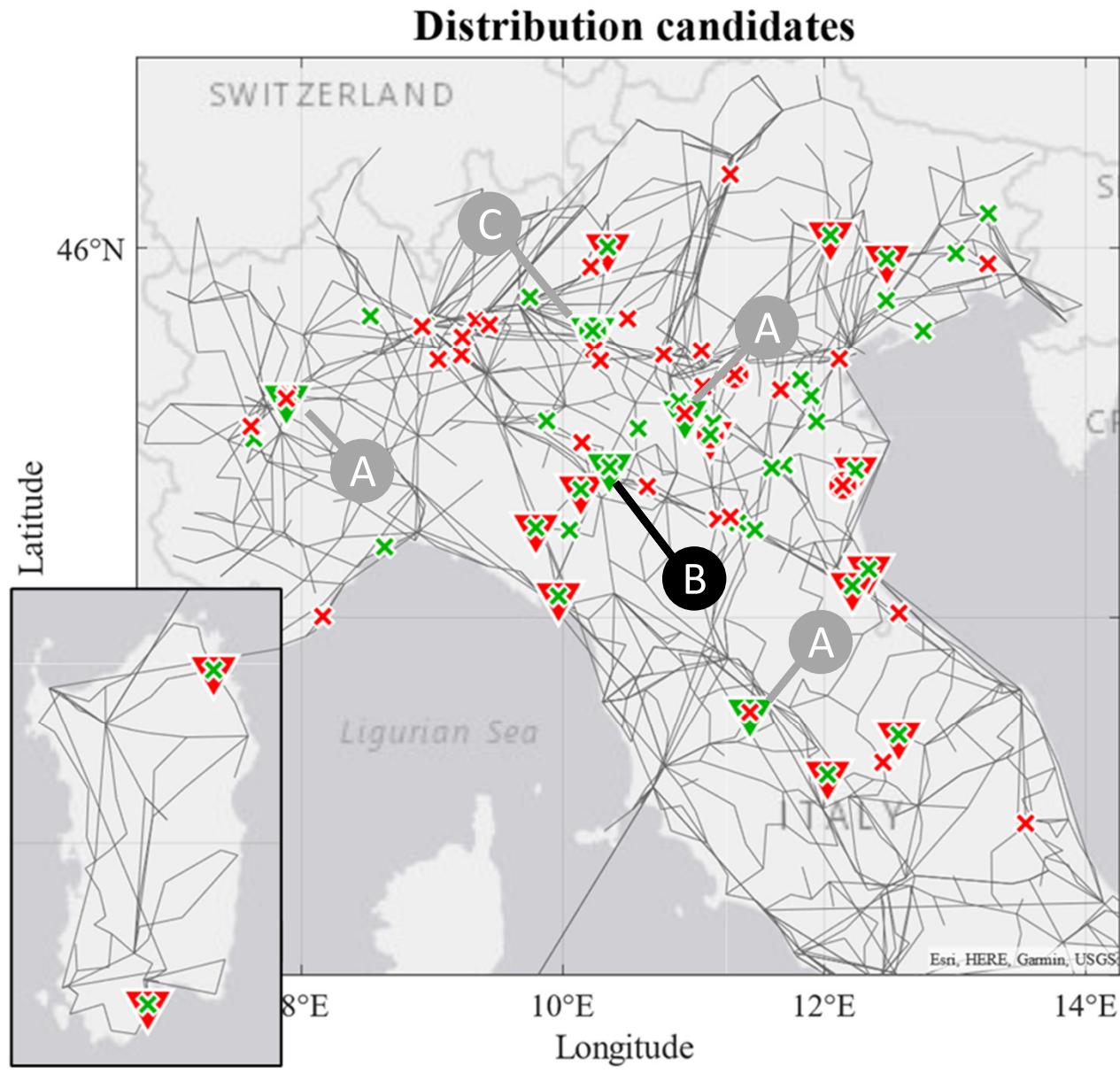
Flexibility support on grid planning – distribution (CASE B)

For the most severe congestions expected at distribution level, the preprocessor proposes:

- A set of lines and transformer reinforcements** (corridor related to the selected congestion)
- Flexibilization of existing load** (in case of specific intermittency and severity of the congestion)
- A storage unit** (which size and technology depends on the severity/frequency of the congestion)

CASE B

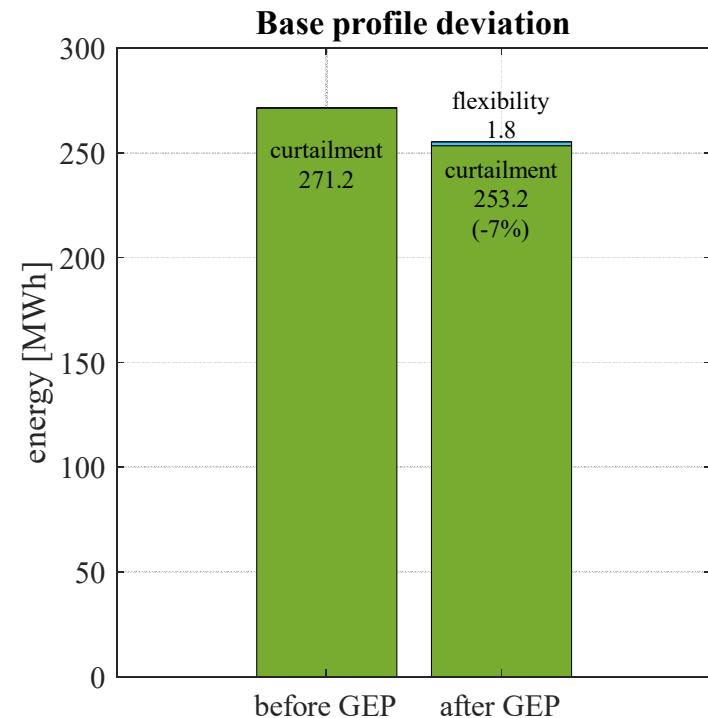
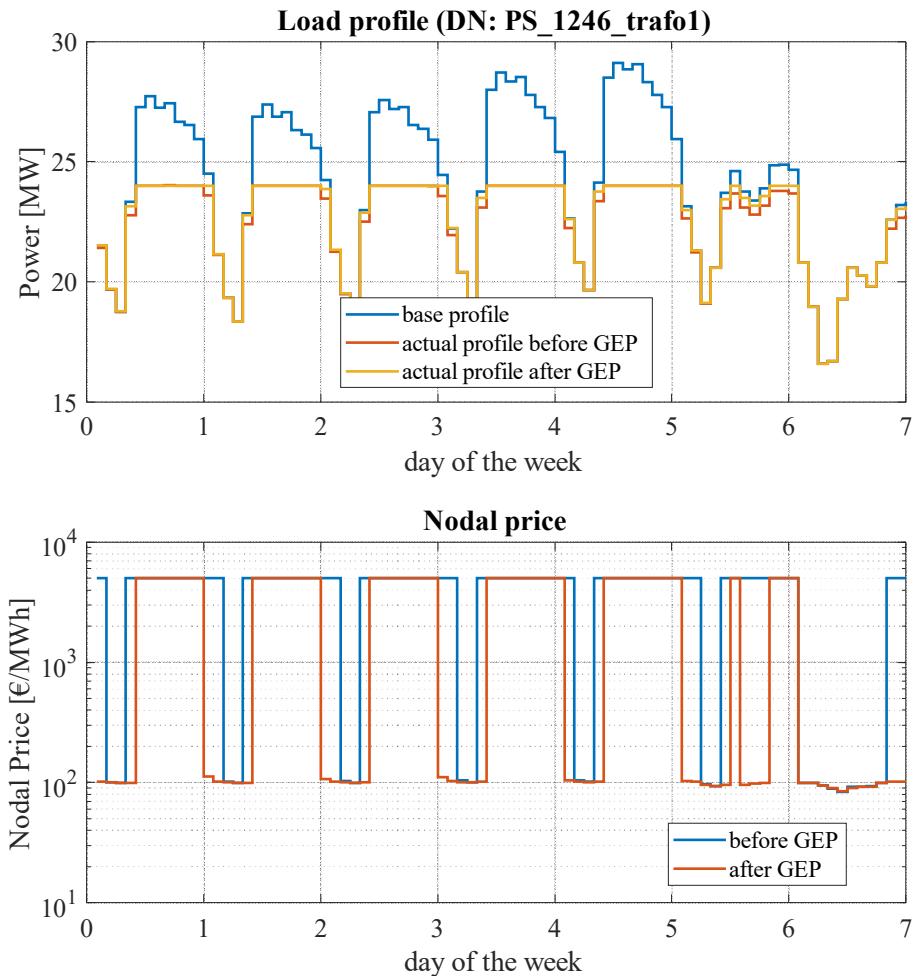
- Both line reinforcement and load flexibilization are proposed as planning candidates
- Both the options are selected



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Flexibility support on grid planning – distribution (CASE B)



- The reinforcement of the congested line is not sufficient to avoid load curtailment for the selected network (other congestions persist on it)
- In this case, the most evident contribution is attributed to the line reinforcement:
 - It clears the congestion in during the early morning
 - Load flexibility marginally reduces the nodal price during the non-congestion time steps

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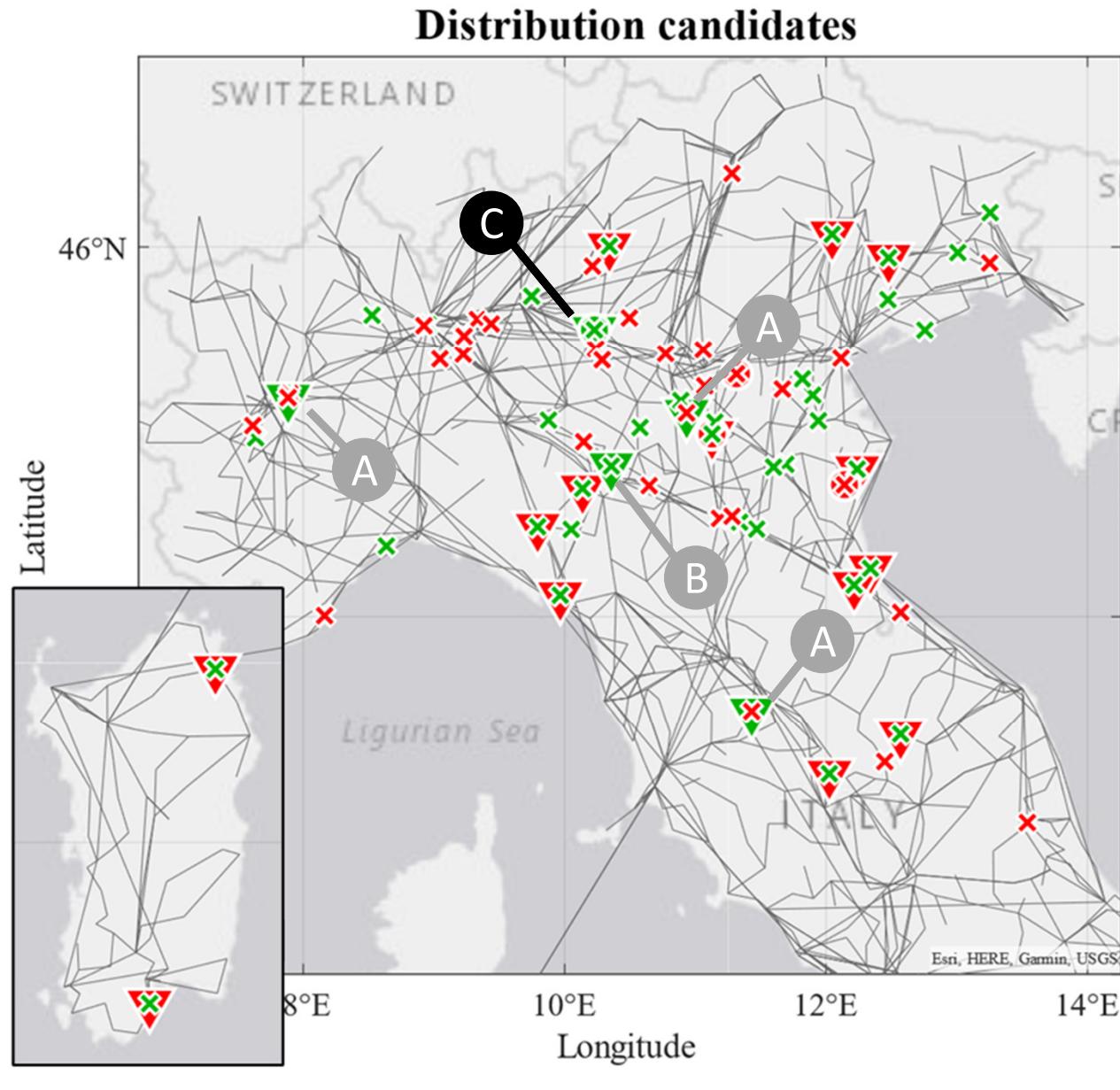
Flexibility support on grid planning – distribution (CASE C)

For the most severe congestions expected at distribution level, the preprocessor proposes:

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CASE C

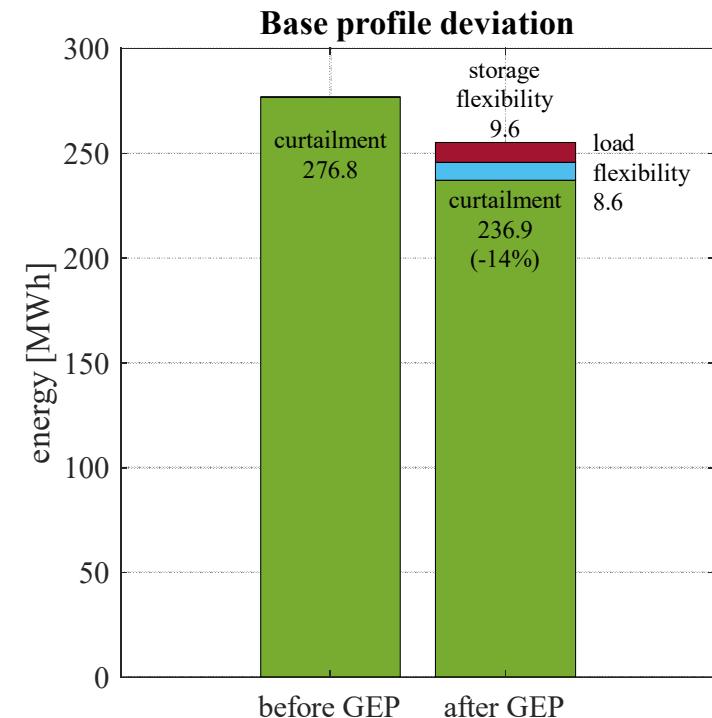
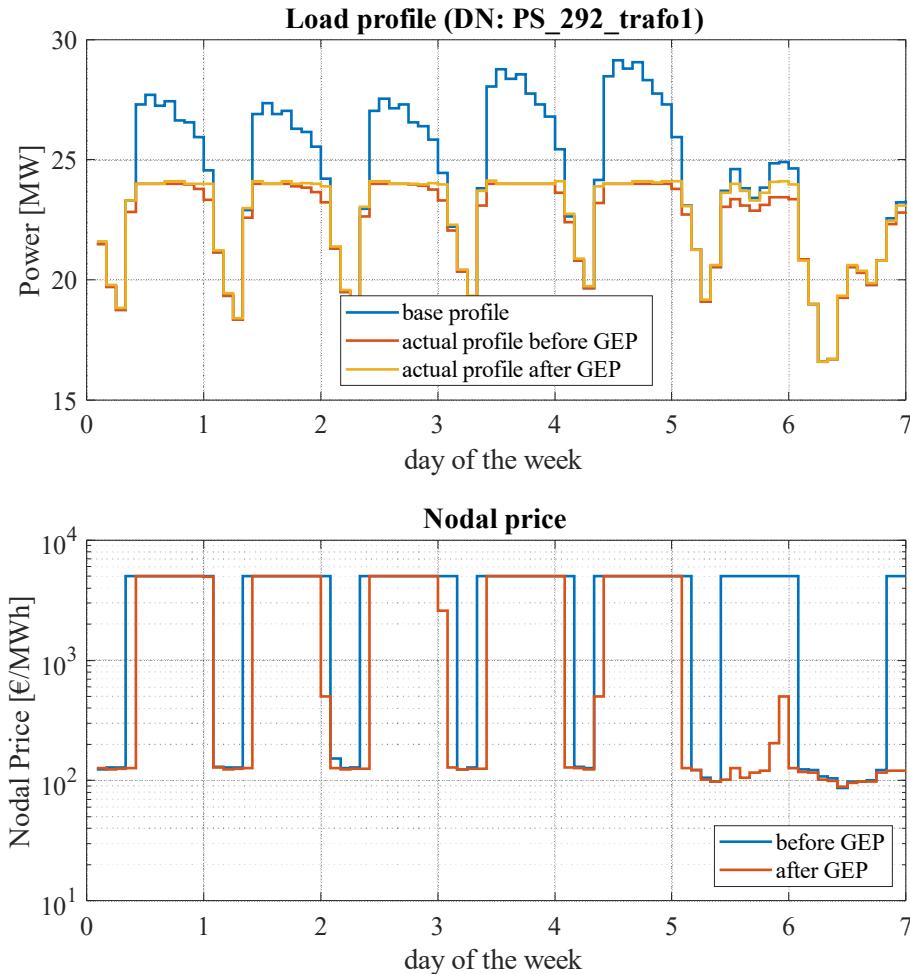
- Line reinforcement, storage and load flexibilization are proposed as planning candidates
- All the options are selected



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Flexibility support on grid planning – distribution (CASE C)

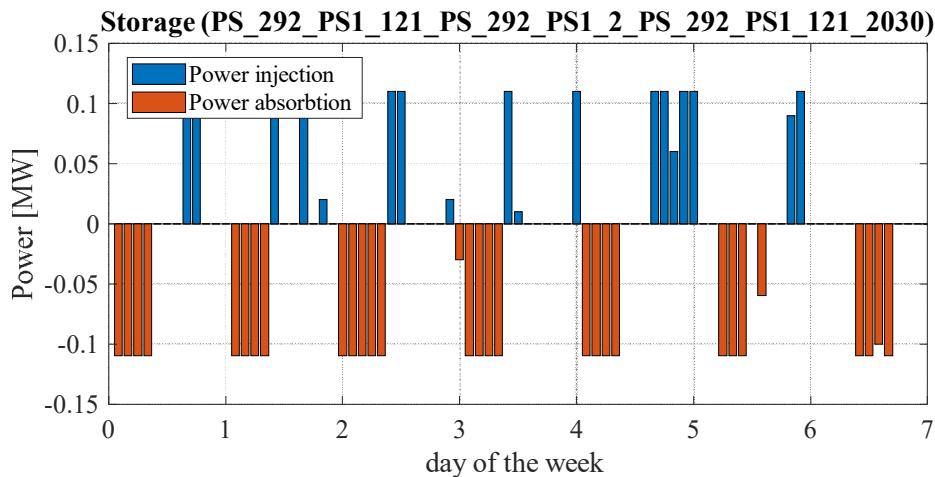
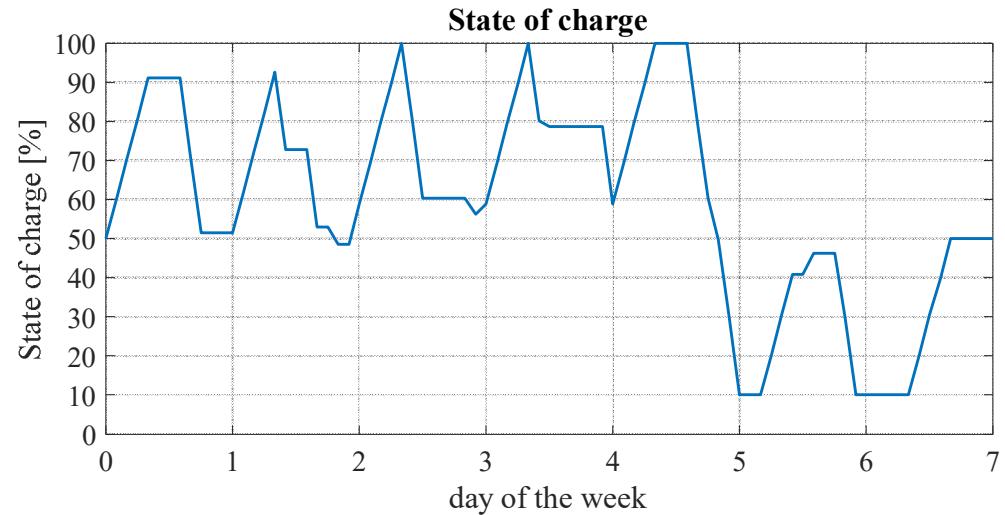
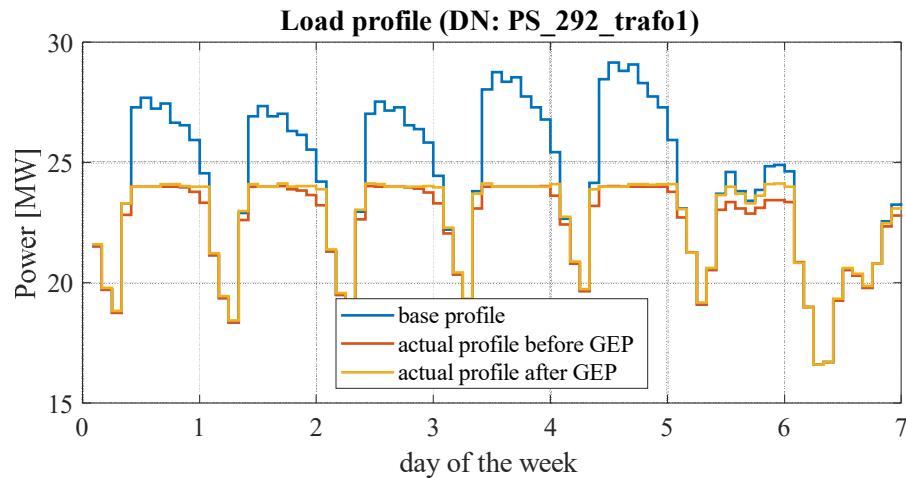


- In this case, the selected candidates (line reinforcement, storage and load flexibilization) support the reduction of load curtailment (even though network congestions are not entirely solved)
 - The largest benefits are attributable to line reinforcement
 - Flexible load and storage equally contribute to the reduction of load curtailment

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- Storage usage is proportional to the severity of the congestion
 - It injects energy mostly during the second half of Friday, when load curtailment is maximum
- The contribution of storage is limited by both the power and energy capacity of the selected device

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