#### **Renewables working together:** island, rural, city, national and regional approaches



















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# Renewables working together at the national / system level

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#### IHA knowledge-building areas

- Clean energy systems
  - **Climate mitigation**
- **Climate resilience & adaptation** 
  - Water footprint
  - Project benefits
  - **Project financing** •
  - Regional development
  - Sediment management
  - **Operations & maintenance**

- Hydropower working together with other renewables
- Quantifying hydropower's low GHG impact
  - Building resilience and adaptation services.
- Quantifying the water footprint of hydropower
- Quantifying the full range of benefits of hydropower
  - New tools to finance hydropower projects
  - Benefits of regional interconnections to hydropower
  - Demonstrating best practices in sediment management
  - Showcasing best practices in O&M for hydropower





#### The role of hydropower in the energy mix

#### **Frequency control**

Balancing short-period system fluctuations

#### **Providing firming capacity**

Delivering power when variable renewables are not producing

#### **Energy storage**

Absorbing surplus generation when supply exceeds demand













Adapted from: GE Power





#### Hydro/solar hybrid



Source: IHA 2015 Hydropower Status Report





#### Naturspeicher: wind-pumped storage



www.naturspeicher.de/de/naturstromspeicher.php





#### Floating PV – 'floatovoltaics'

Source: K-water





#### **Floating PV**





Benefits of 'floatovoltaics' within hydropower reservoirs

- Utilises existing transmission infrastructure
- Water helps cooling and increases PV efficiency (~10%)
- Potential to reduce evaporation and conserve water







http://valhalla.cl/espejo-de-tarapaca/





#### **Proposed gravity – pumped storage**



www.heindl-energy.com





#### Wind – solar – hydro: integrated control system



Chuxiong advanced control system in Yunnan, China

- 5 wind farms, 2 solar PV and hydropower totalling 879 MW
- Centralised dispatch control centre will optimise the three resources to ensure firm and steady power output.























#### Interconnecting renewables for greater security



- Increasing pumped storage capacity (Bulgaria, Estonia, Austria, ...)
- New HVDC interconnection (for ex. Norway-Germany, Norway-UK...)

Source: EU Commission

## Thank you!

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