



# Smart Grid as a Complex System

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# Smart grids

- IT and TC integration (1995-2010)
- Smart grid integration - power system and telecommunication integration (2005-2020?)

# Complexity science approach to energy (smart ) system

Complexity in energy systems is in general a vague concept. It is often used as a synonym of complicated systems.

**I consider a strong complexity approach for smart grids**

- **Study of nonlinear, emergent, self-organized, resilient dynamic properties in new types of energy systems**

# Strategic breakthroughs for new type of (smart) grids

## Generation

- new types of energy production (fusion, better PV efficiency, new type of renewables, energy storage devices etc)

## Grids

- (high temperature) superconductivity, digital energy transmission, FACTS, HVDC

## Telecommunication

- broadband over power network, improved wireless telecom, etc

## Smart home and smart factory

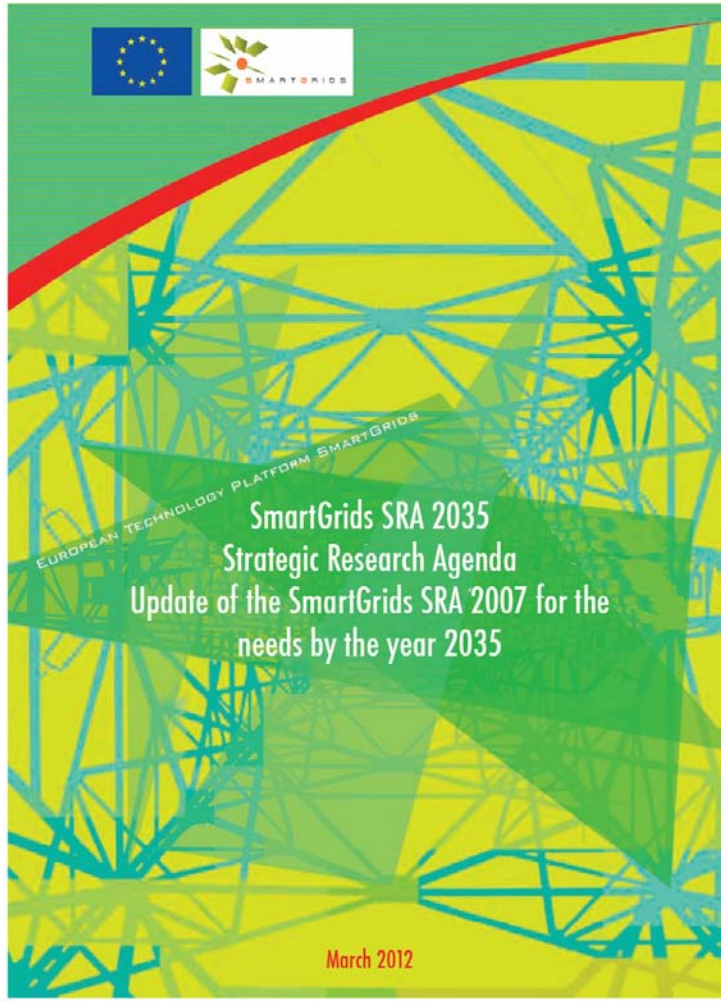
- advanced metering , internet of things (home appliances)

# Complexity science approach to energy (smart ) system

Two approaches are known:

**European –smart grids** as the extension/modification of **distribution grids**

**USA –smart grids** are new way the grids are considered including **generation/transportation and distribution networks including bulk systems**



## Complexity architecture of smart grids (1)



## Complexity architecture of smart grids (2)

- I) Technological-technical complexity
- II) Social complexity
- III) Economic complexity
- IV) Sustainability complexity



# I) Technology

- Technological-technical complexity
  - a) Energy point of view (distributed generation (DG), demand side management (DSM))
  - b) Topological (network) point of view (small-world, scale-free networks)
  - c) Cyber point of view (Broadband Distribution PLC, Internet of things)

# I) Technology

## a) Energy

Research on new architecture of smart energy systems and networks

- mixed: large scale and scattered small scale generation
- transition of radial → meshed networks
- new type of power protection systems
- robustness of energy part of systems (double network power injection points)
- end-user intervention to demand side management
- power system security
- standardization

# I) Technology

## b) Network

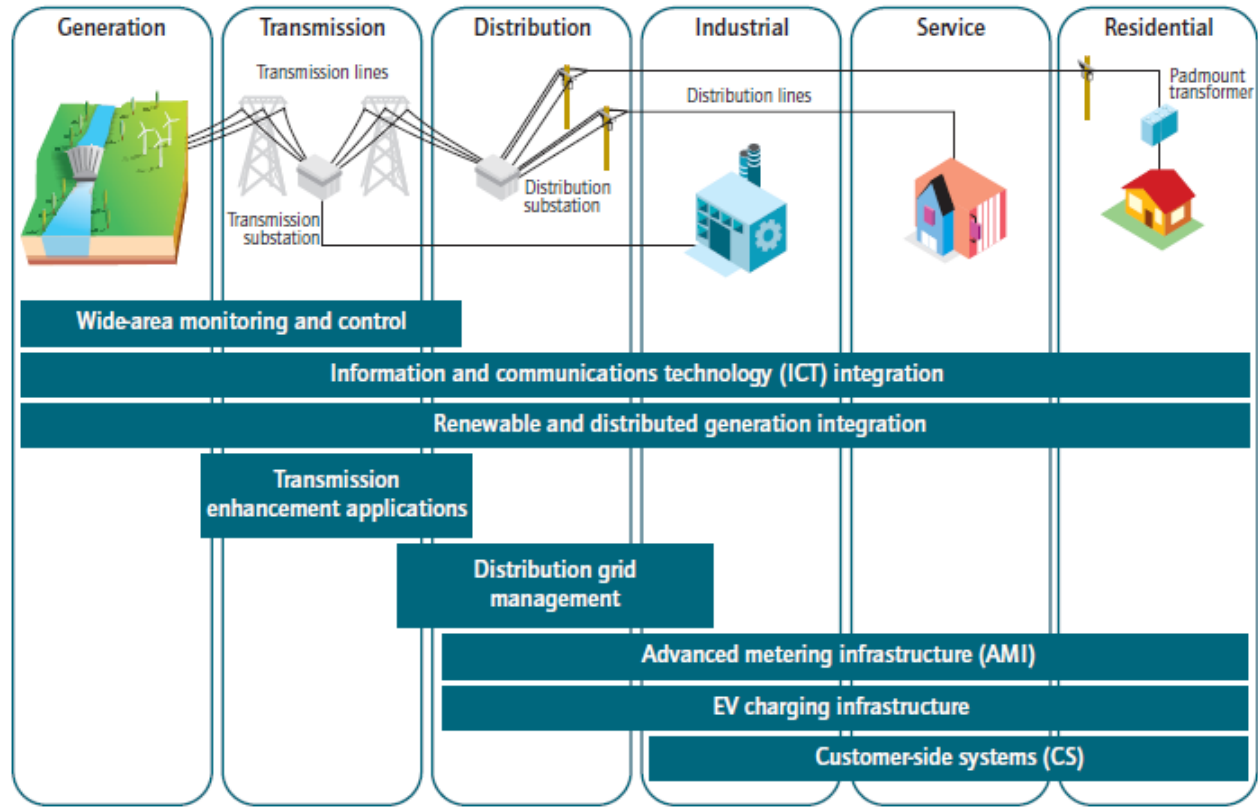
- Architecture and dynamics of fused **power-cyber networks**
- Dynamics of new type of **power networks**- power flow control and optimisation under new conditions- emergence and chaotic behaviour
- Dynamics of **cyber networks** – data flow research and emergence and chaotic behaviour

# I) Technology

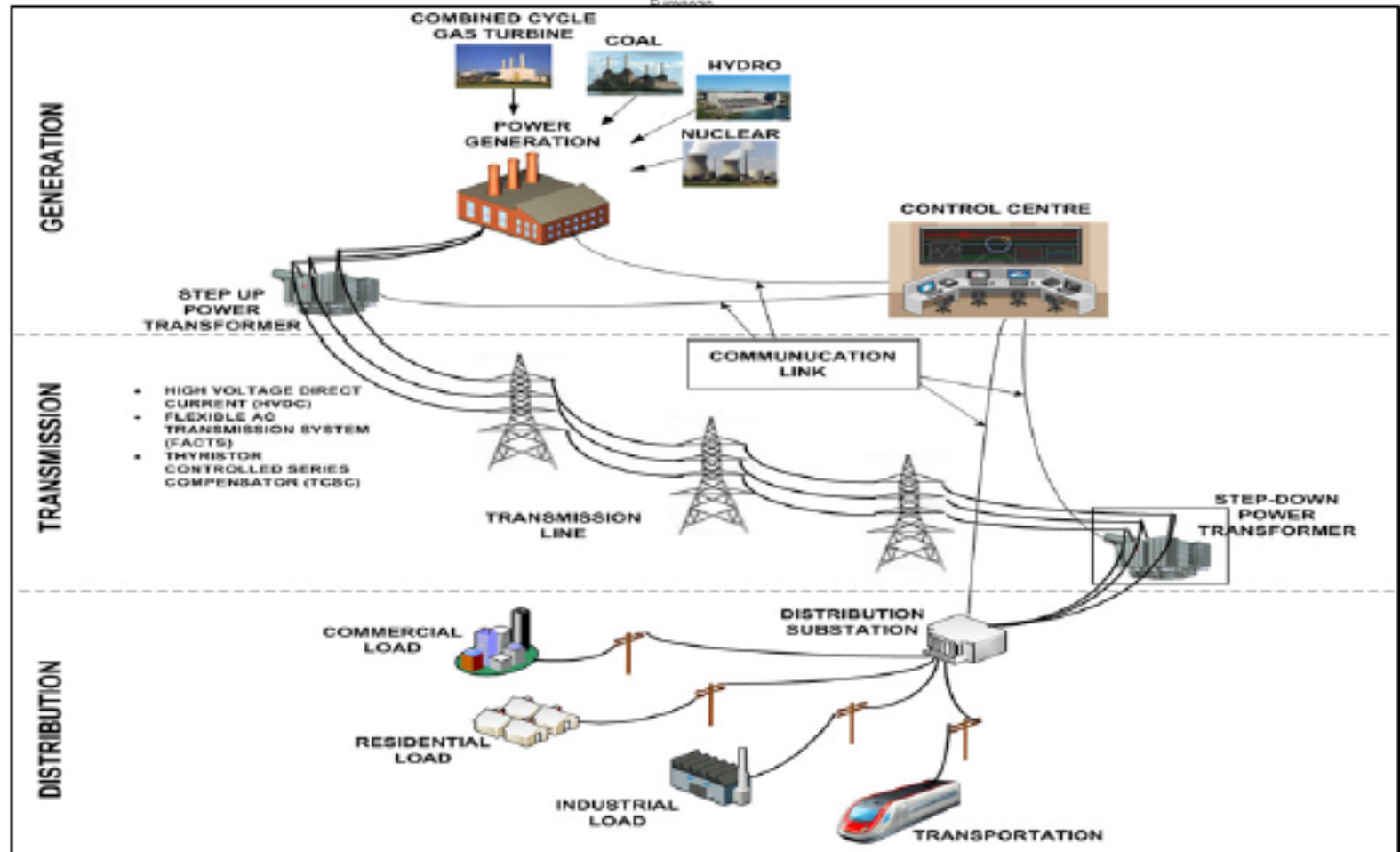
## b) Cyber

- Network fusion (power, cyber- Broadband DPLC) and systemic service
- Robustness (DPLC - only one fused network) or separate Energy – Cyber network
- Cyber security
- Standardization

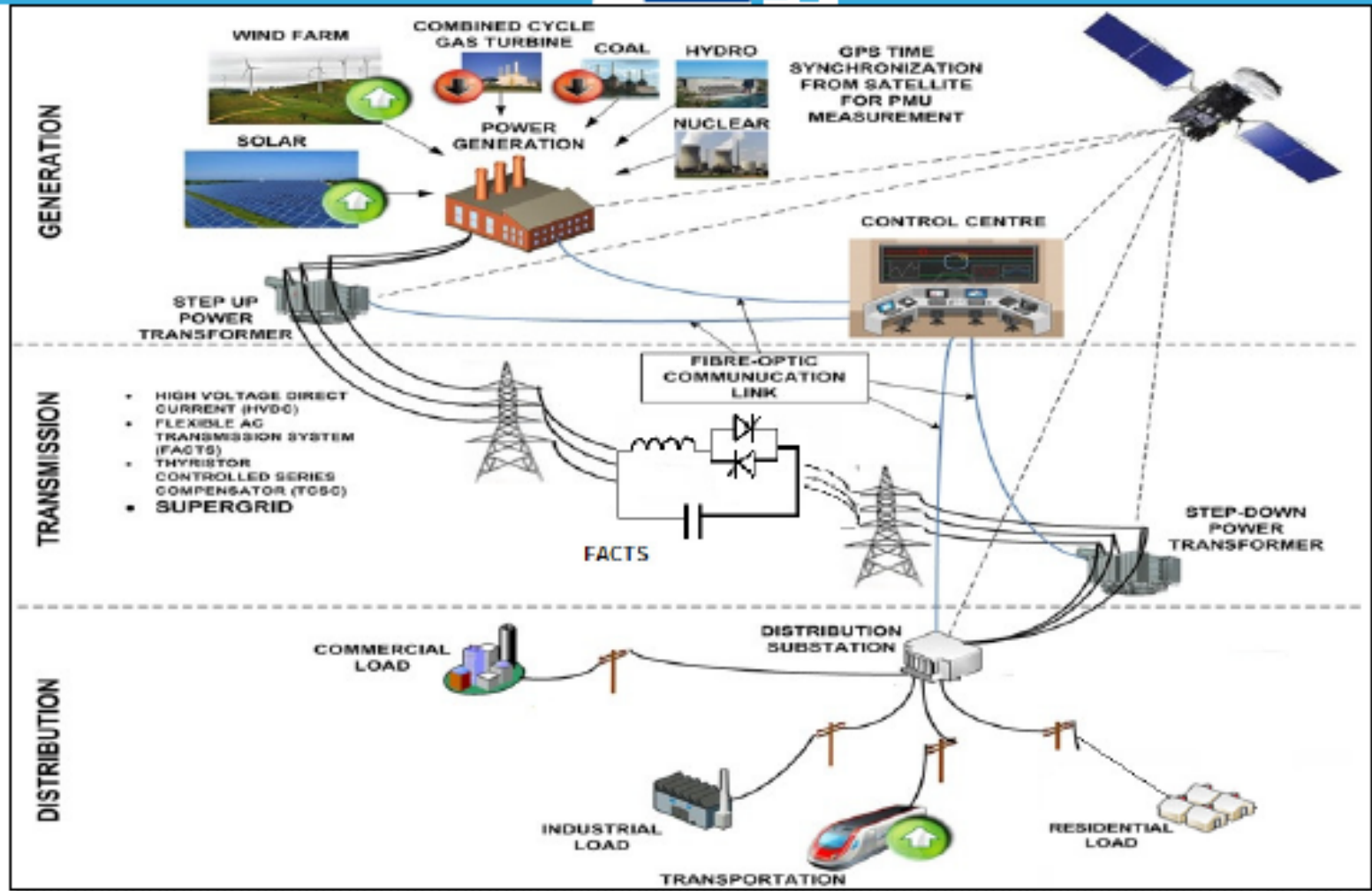
# Smart grid technology areas



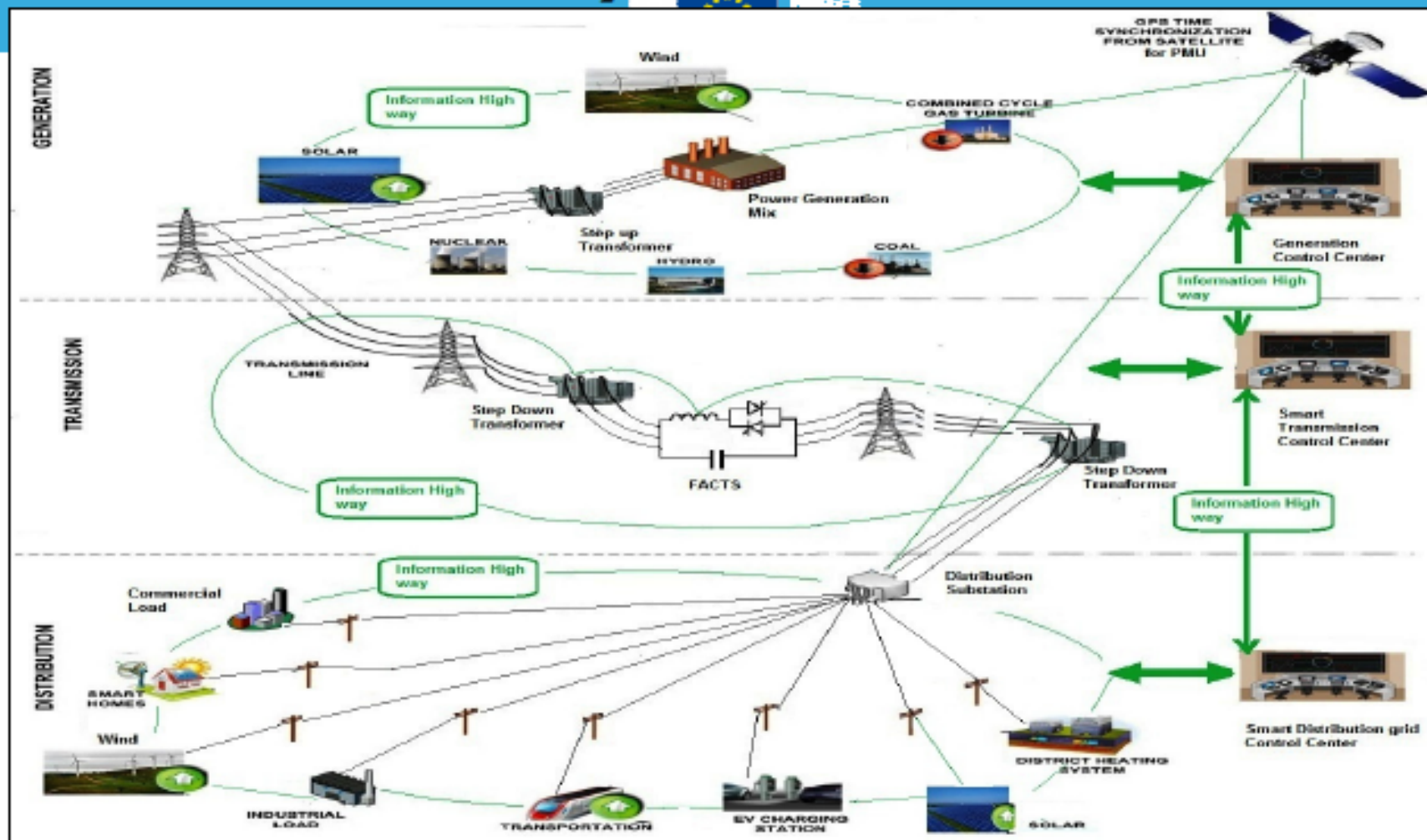
# Electricity Network 20 years back



# Electricity Network Today



# And 20 years in future



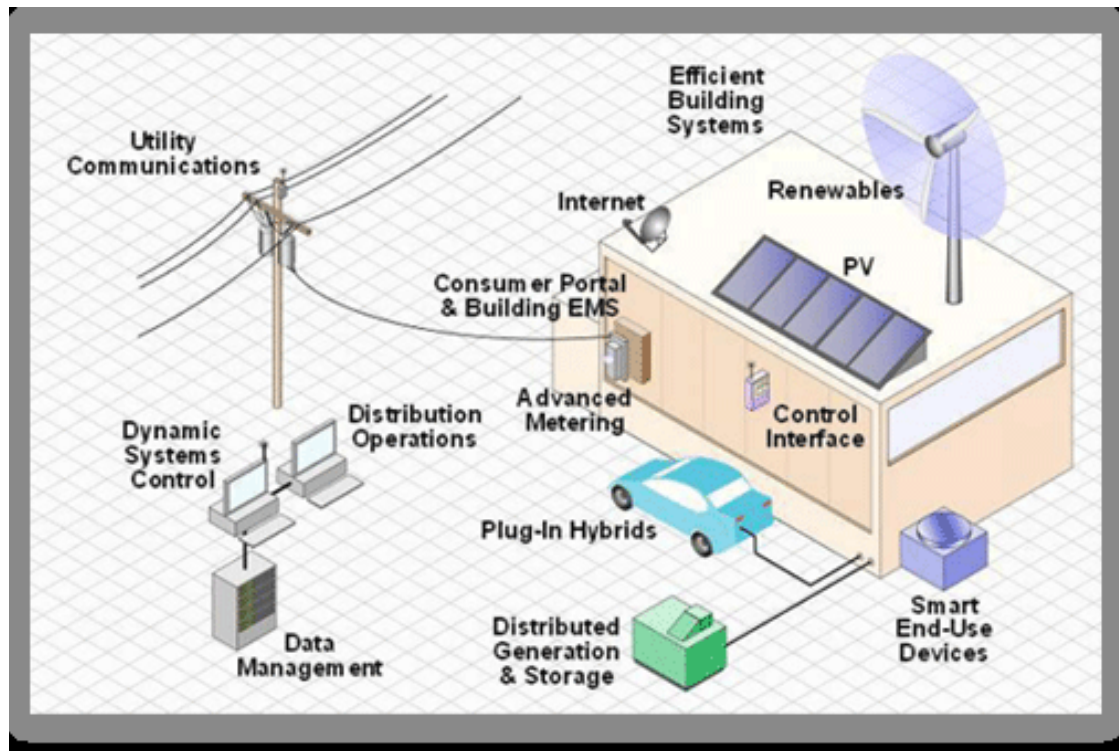


## II Social

### New social complexity

- New role of end users (grater impact)
- New type of end users (prosumers)
- Energy data as personal data
- Energy conscious end user
- Future scarcity of energy resources
- New way of life (smart home, teleworking etc.)
- Self organisation

# Smart grid End user layer

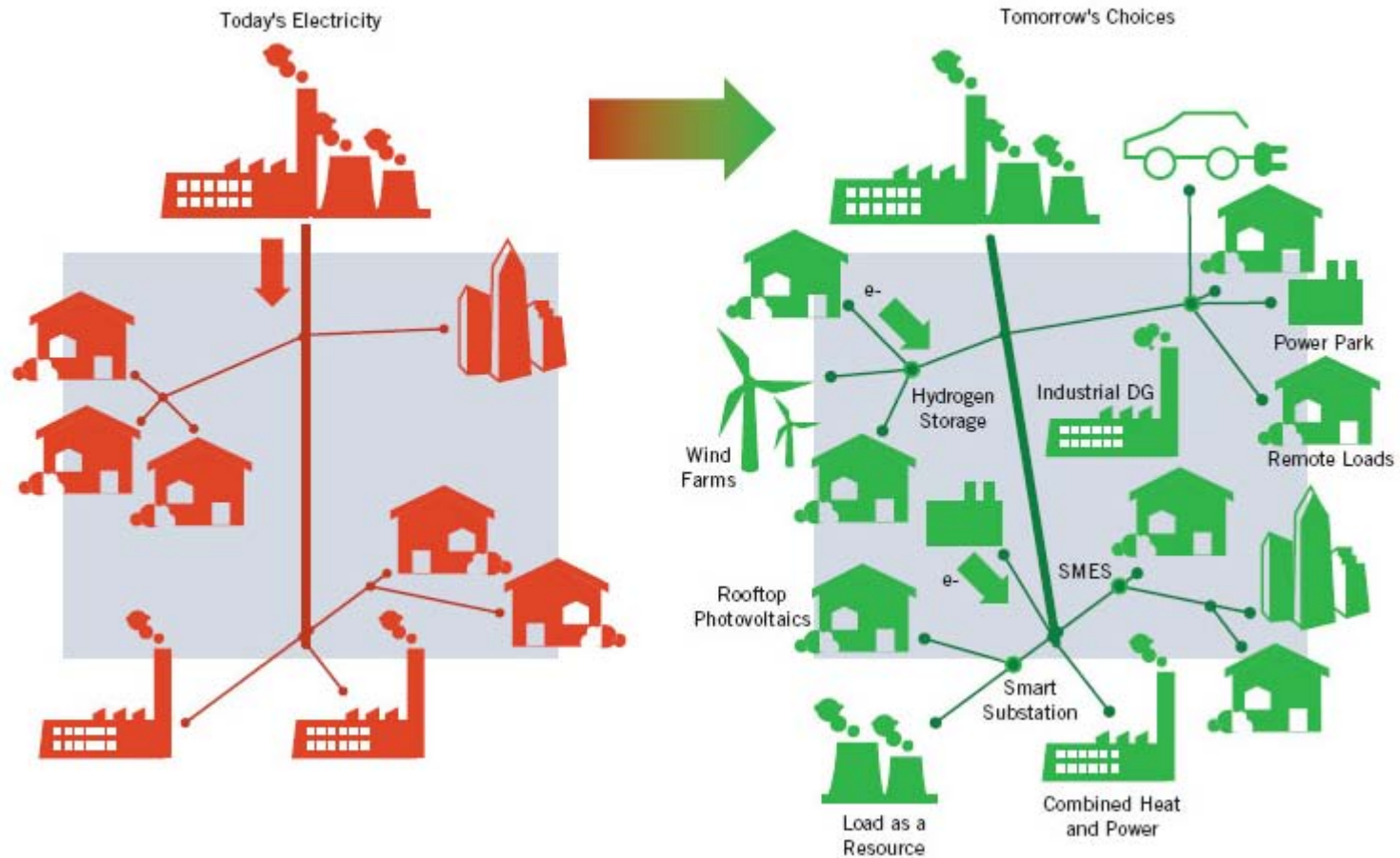


## III Economy

Complexity of new type of energy economy

- **local energy communities** as complex systems
- **new stakeholder mix models** (power producers, prosumers, power network operators, cyber net providers, energy communities, regulators and policy makers) – their interplay as a complex system
- **economy energy models** (internalisation of costs) as a complex system ( emergency, chaotic models??)

## Grid Modernization

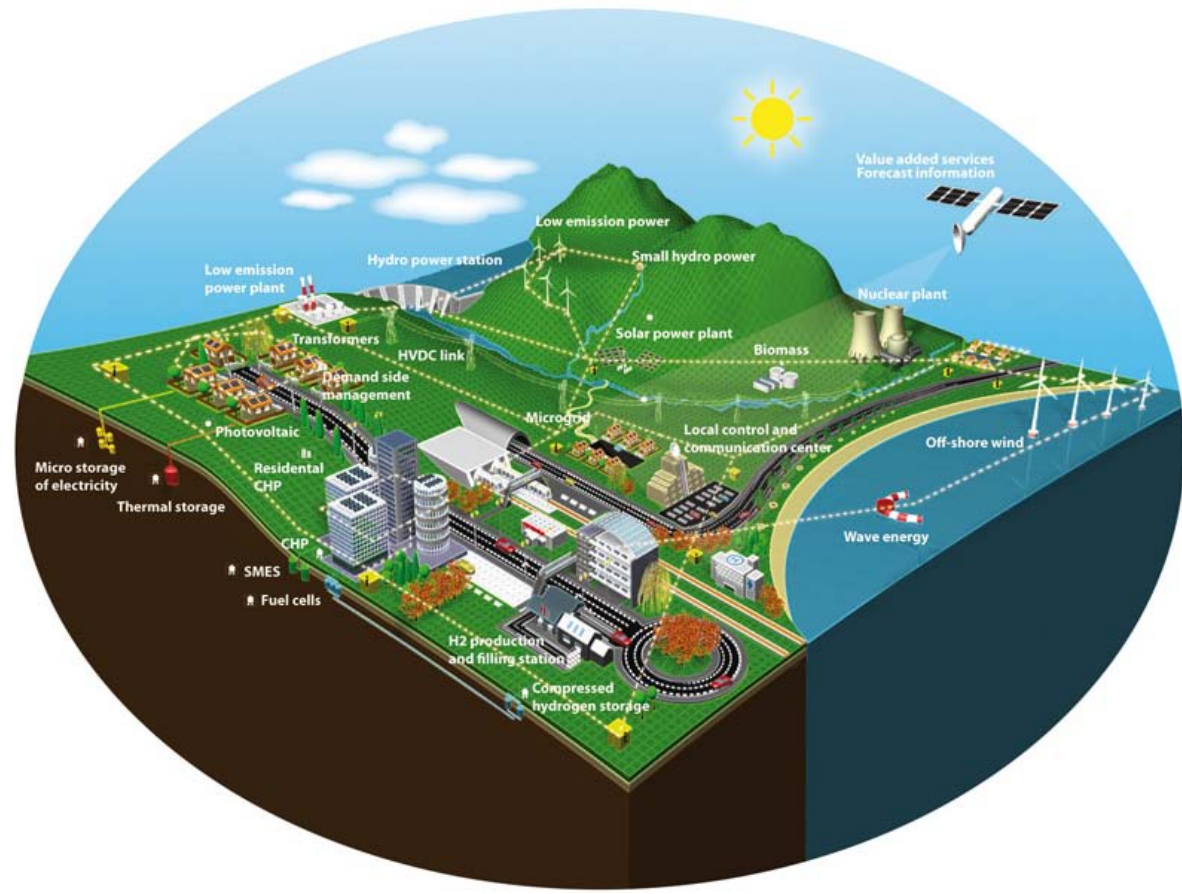


## IV) Sustainability

Complexity of sustainability - EU goals by 2020

- **Green gas reduction - 20%**
- **Renewables – 20%**
- **Energy saving- 20%**

# Future sustainable eco system



# Covered

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# Thank you

