

# Power System Stability Key Messages

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Plan, prepare, perform: Best practices for operating the system with  
high shares of renewables



The power system is designed and planned to be robust against disturbances –

to solely consider the normal state is inadequate in power system planning!

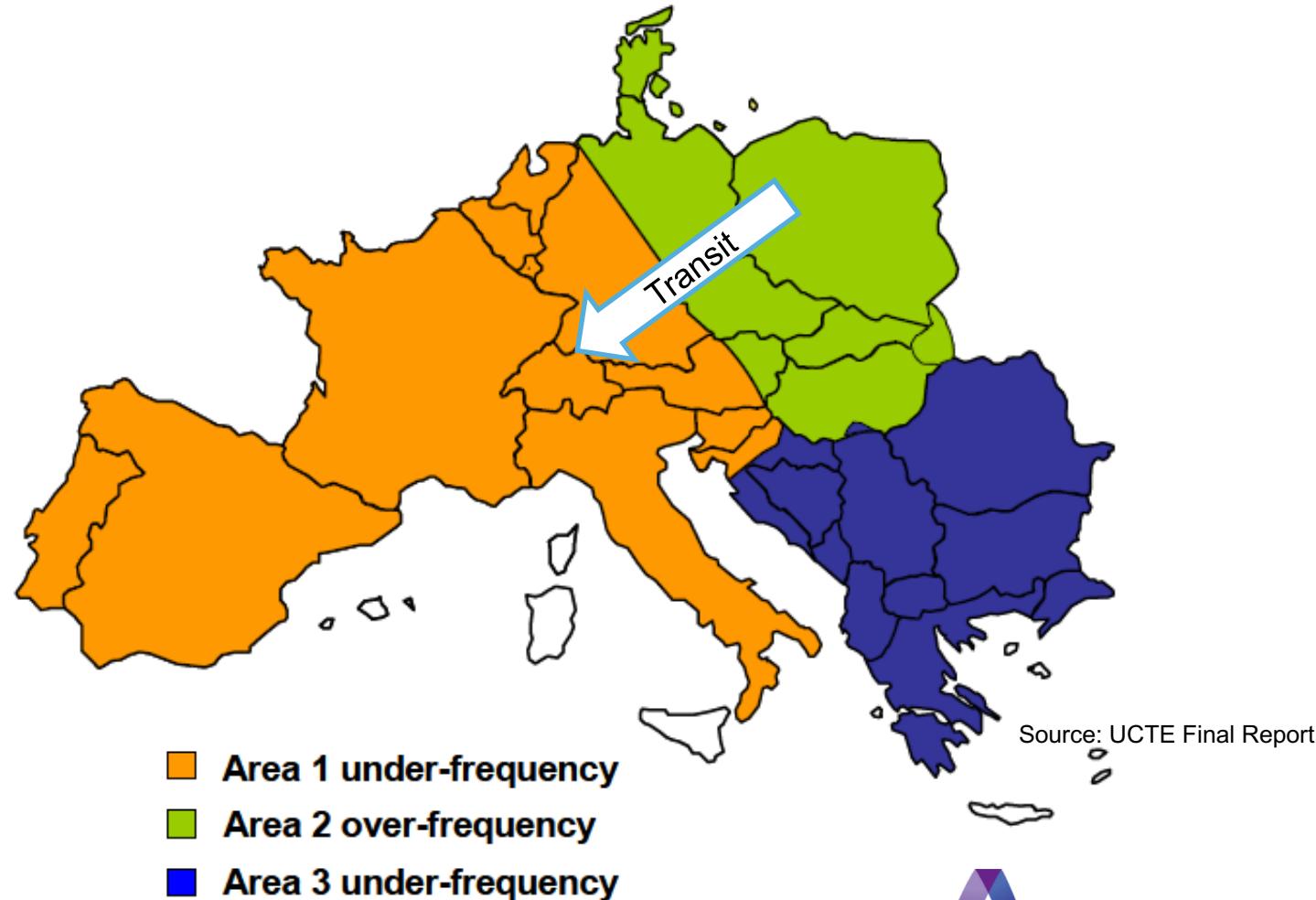
# Very high shares of RES and a progressive coal phase out are possible ... but some challenges have to be mastered

- System supporting RES integration (by further development and national implementation of European grid codes) needs to be considered and done now to make it happen without endangering the system
- A stable system behavior during severe system disturbances is the main challenge
- Prior implementation of the proposed coordinated set of measures is necessary to solve them - requiring both political and public support

# Today, we wouldn't master the 2006 System Split scenario

## Power system transformation since 2006

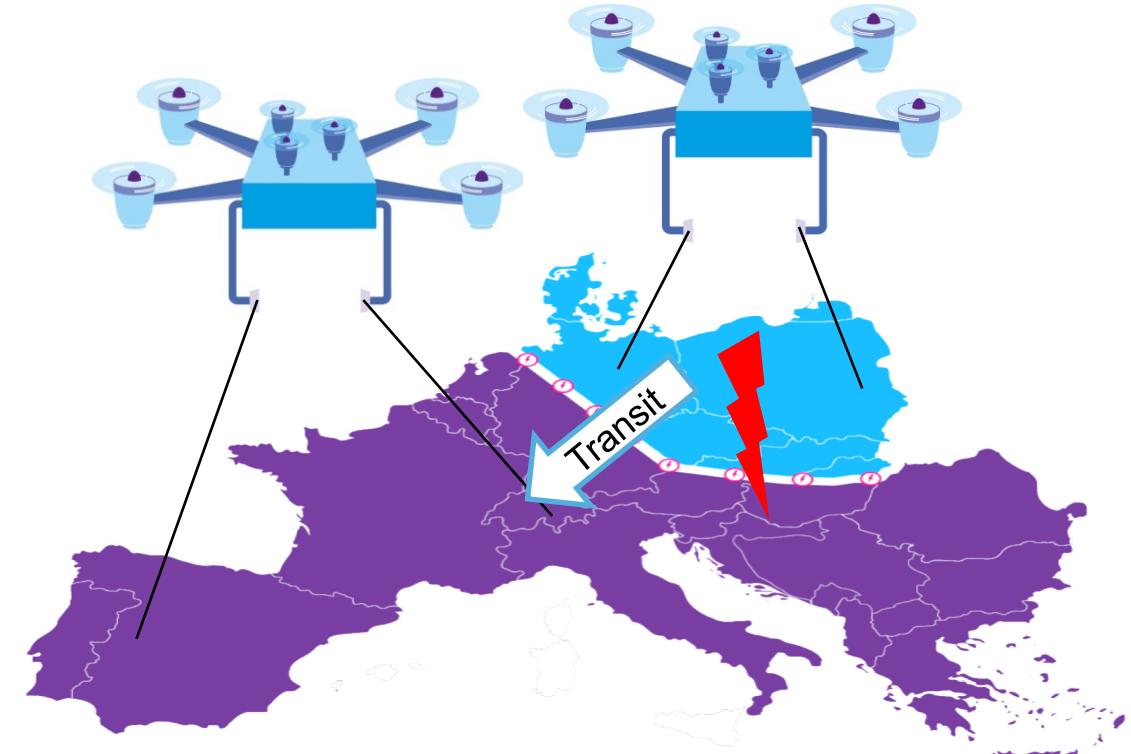
- Small-sized renewable generation at different locations
- Substitution of conventional power plants
- Highly utilized transmission grid
- Germany would be highly affected in case of System Split scenario (Central Europe)



# A System Split occurs, ...

... if an area is fully separated following a major disturbance.

- Instantaneous reaction of the small-sized renewable generation units is very important
- Mastering the major disturbance depends on:
  - Power exchange with neighbouring areas prior to separation
  - System inertia within separated areas



## Analogy drone – System Split

Each drone represents one area.  
As long as areas are interconnected, total demand can be met by all drones all together.

# Power system stability ensures the ability to take remedial actions following major disturbances

Stability of the system is a consequence of the behaviour of connected network users (sub-systems):

***Overall system can only be stable, if sub-systems are stable***

- Every network user should contribute to system stability
- Defined rules (Grid Codes)  
**as well as checking** the compliance is necessary



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# All building blocks are essential for today's !and! future energy system

