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'China – EU Workshop on Global Energy Interconnections'

Dii / 'Supporters of Desert Energy'

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■ **Desertec Industrial Initiative (Dii)**

- launched in 2009 as international industry initiative
- Mission:
 - ✓ explore potential of renewable energy in the deserts of Northern Africa and the Middle East (MENA)
 - ✓ examine synergies to be captured through connecting the European and MENA power markets
 - ✓ improving market conditions for renewables in MENA

Evolution of Desert Energy



Development phases



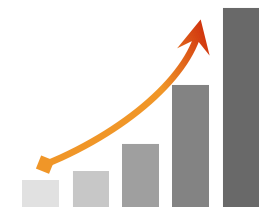
- Studies on the **Desertec** vision by **DLR** (Deutsche Luft- und Raumfahrtzentrum) and **TREC** (Trans-Mediterranean renewable energy Cooperation Studies)
- Creation of **awareness and motivation**



- Foundation of Dii GmbH** (Munich) in 2009
- System, country and technology studies (Desert Power 2050, Desert Power: Getting Started)** by Dii supported by Dii's industrial, research and political network (e.g. Fraunhofer, CESI, Sonelgaz)
- Local adoption of idea
- Preparation of services** for implementation phase



- Being active locally**
Foundation of Dii Ltd in Dubai
- Identifying and solving practical hurdles** of wind/solar/grid projects in the field
- Creation of international industry network **'Supporters of Desert Energy'** and partnerships



- Market acceleration** towards full renewable energy supply in MENA
- Full Market integration** throughout MENA and connected markets. Increase of Desert Power share in energy mix

To facilitate the rapid deployment of utility-scale renewable energy projects in desert areas and to integrate them in the interconnected power systems

'Supporters of Desert Energy' Network



Key Initiators: RWE, SGCC, ACWA Power

Current Status of the Industry Network

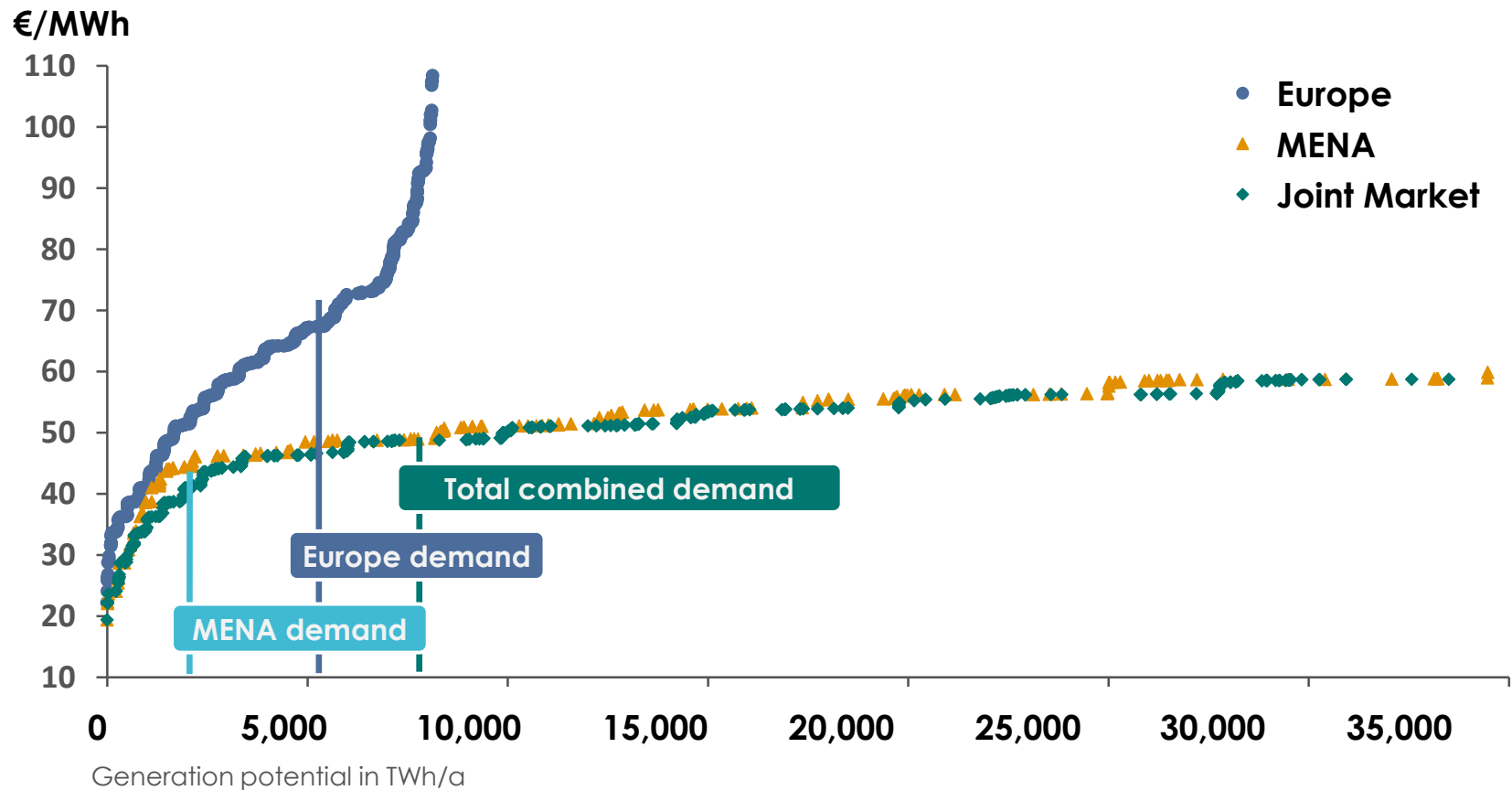


- Taking away hurdles for emission free technology
- Capturing synergies through transmission capacities across national borders
- Thus, transparent, open markets offering **realistic price signals**
- Regional Participation
 - Localization and Job creation
 - Capacity building and Know-how transfer

Long term Supply Cost Differences between EU and MENAT offer major long term synergies



- Solar and Wind potentials compared to electricity demand



- Step 1: Paving the way locally
 - ✓ focus locally on **taking away hurdles** for upcoming RE projects including solar, wind, desalination, energy storage etc.
 - ✓ **Grid adequacy and market opening**, allowing smart interaction with demand
- Step 2: Capture Synergies
 - ✓ **Stable price signals** in each regional power market
 - ✓ **transmission grid reinforcements between (remote) markets**
 - Overlay HVDC, connecting regional markets
 - first cross border MENAT, then intercontinental Europe – Africa – West Asia and global

Key Components

Supply - Transmission - Demand

CSP

Parabolic trough



Power Tower



Fresnel



PV

Mono/Poly-Crystalline



Thin-film



Wind

On-shore



Desalination

Sea Water



Transmission



HVDC/HVAC
Interconnections and
local infrastructure
Connecting markets

Demand Side

Improved
responsiveness
of demand to
central control or
price signals

Storage



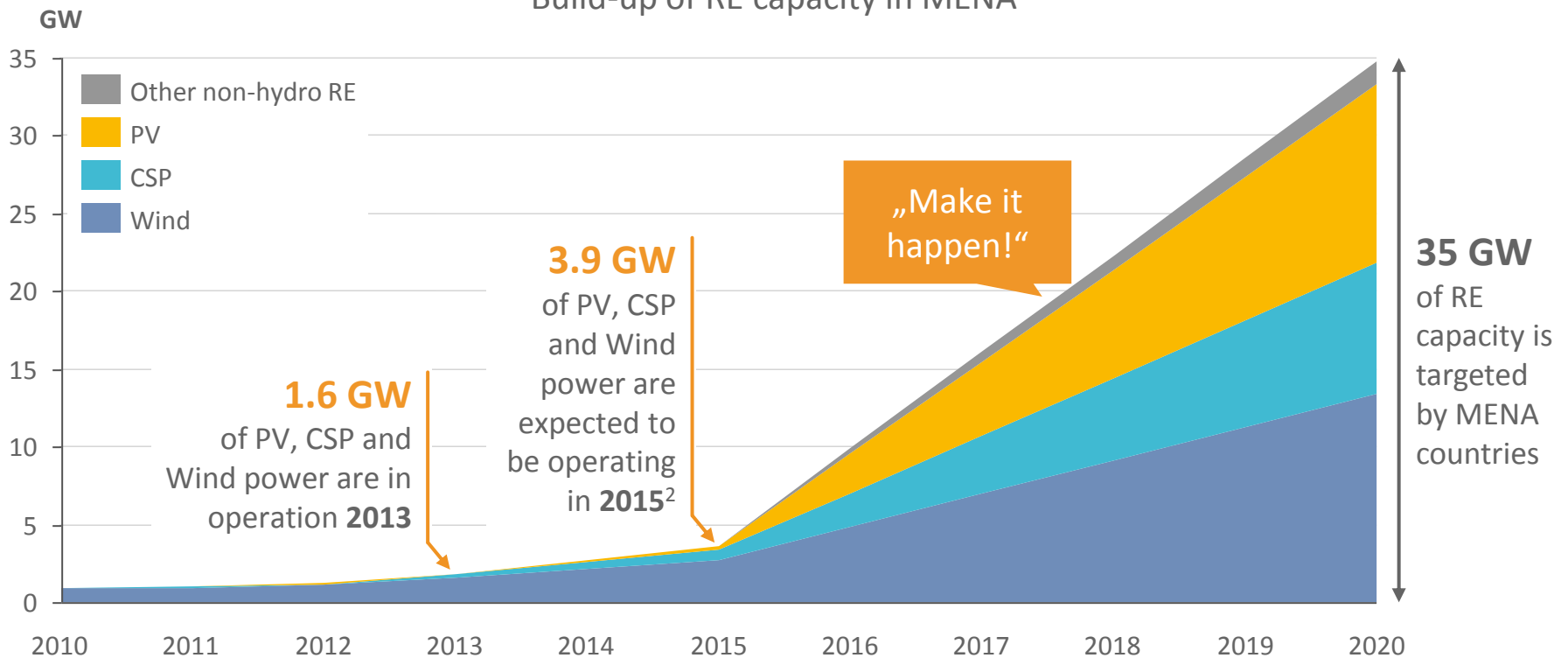
power, heat, cooling,
hydro etc

Expected RE development in MENA(T)



Removal of barriers => Acceleration of renewable energy capacity build-up

Build-up of RE capacity in MENA¹

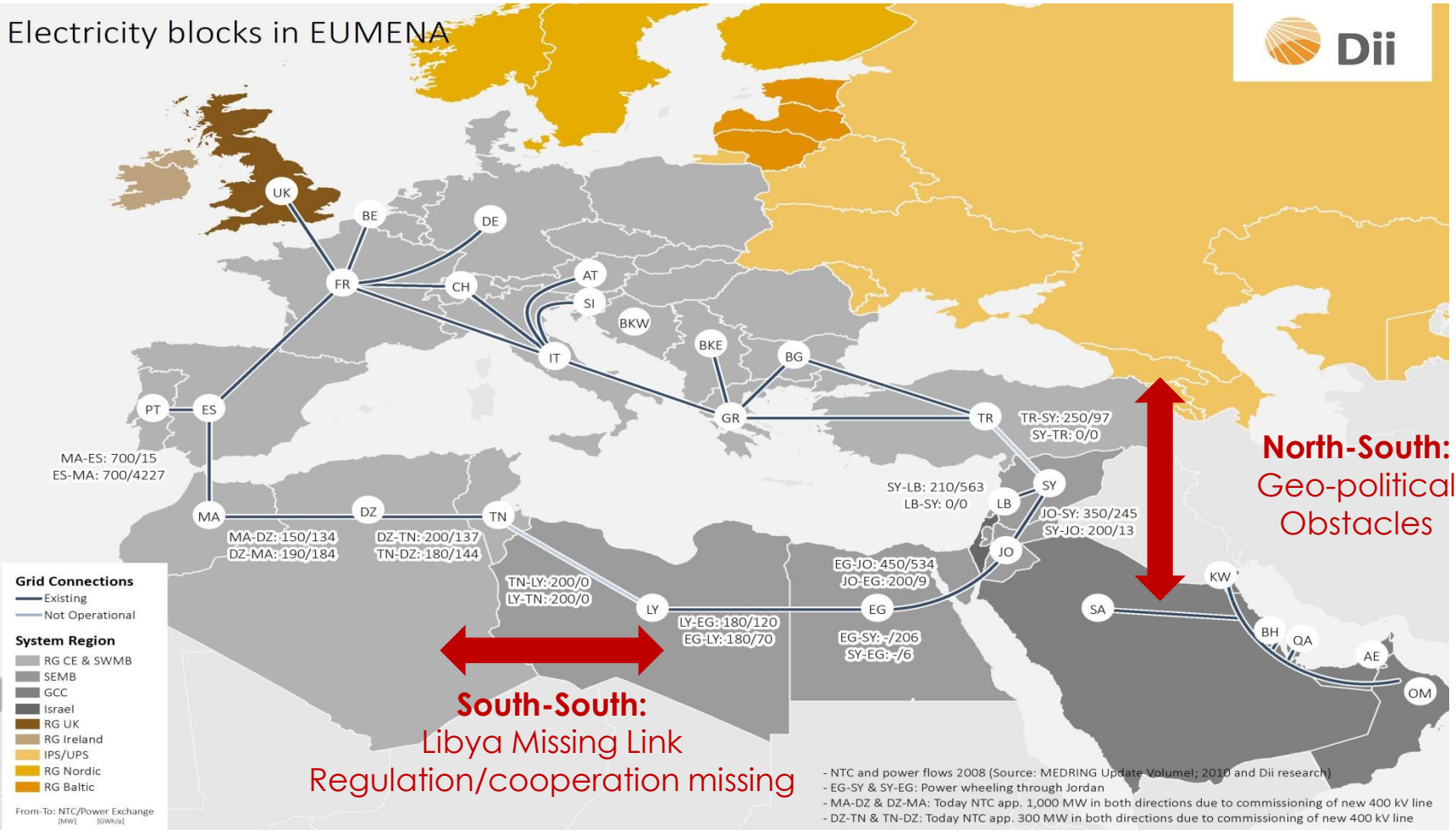


Note: 1) Dii Database holds data on grid-connected RE projects with a capacity above 1MW; MENA hereby includes Mauritania, Morocco, Algeria, Tunisia, Libya, Egypt, Jordan, Palestine, Israel, Syria, Iraq, Kuwait, Bahrain, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, United Arab Emirates, Oman and Yemen; 2) Not included are projects that have only been announced and projects with unfinished tenders; Status 2014, Source: Dii

Present Mediterranean interconnections (schematic)

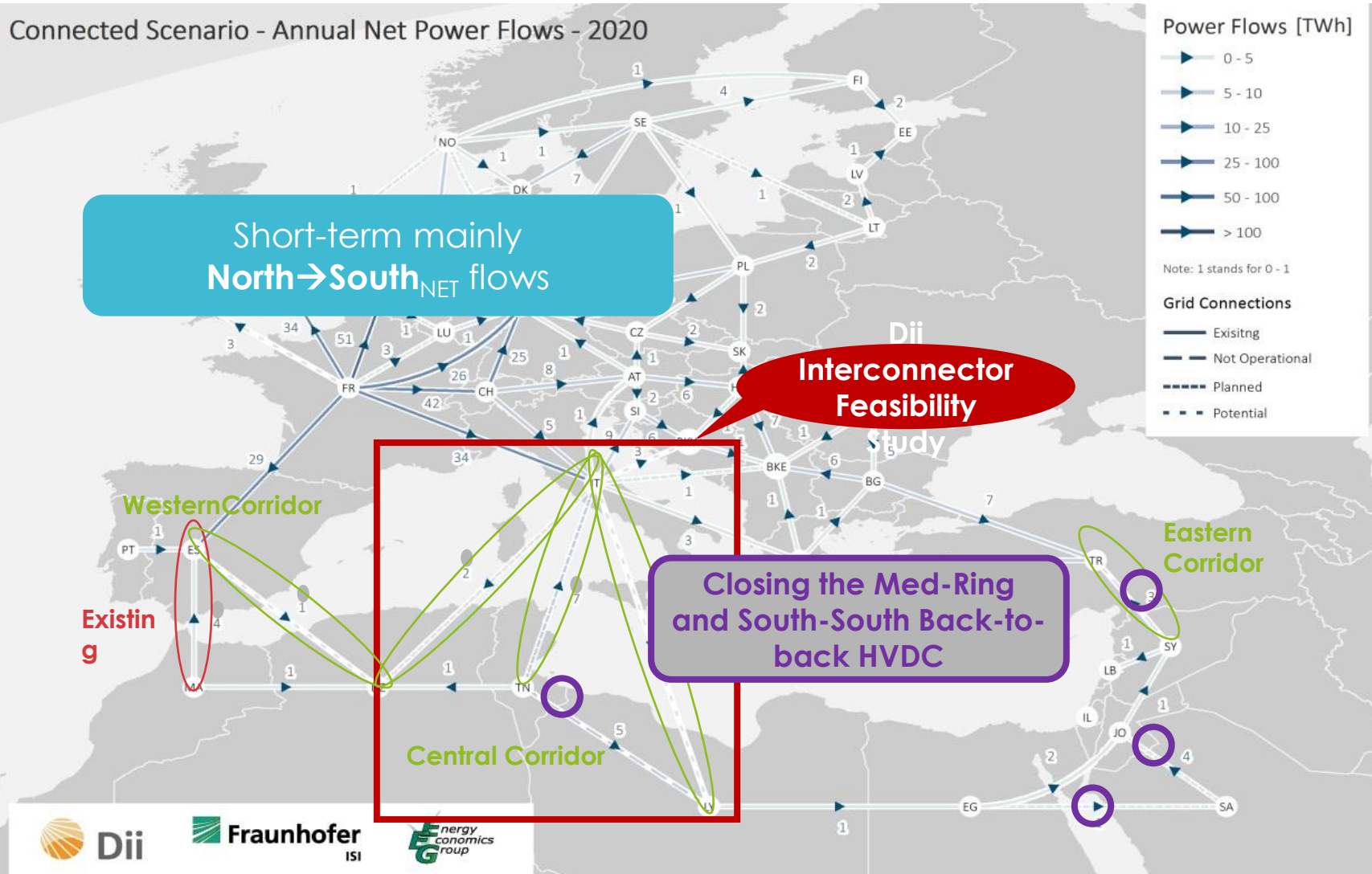


Electricity blocks in EUMENA

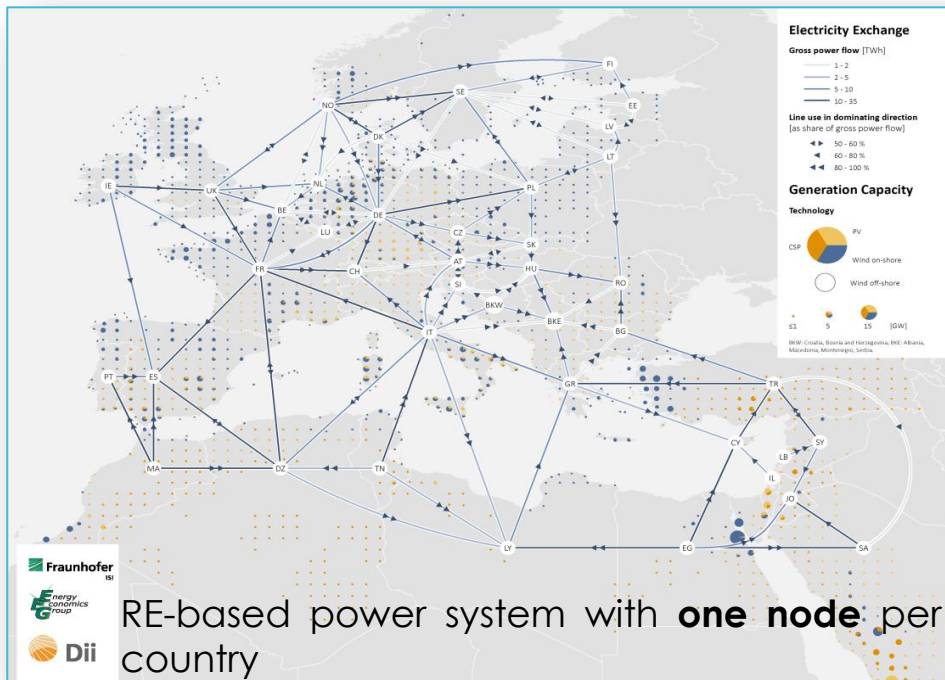


Economically viable investment opportunities in Cross-Med interconnectors exist today

Connected Scenario - Annual Net Power Flows - 2020



Sample Study on long term intercontinental Transmission System for Capturing Synergies



Long-term 2050

Simple representation of transmission corridors (up to **5 nodes by country**)

Mid-term 2030

Detailed representation of transmission grids (several **hundred nodes**)

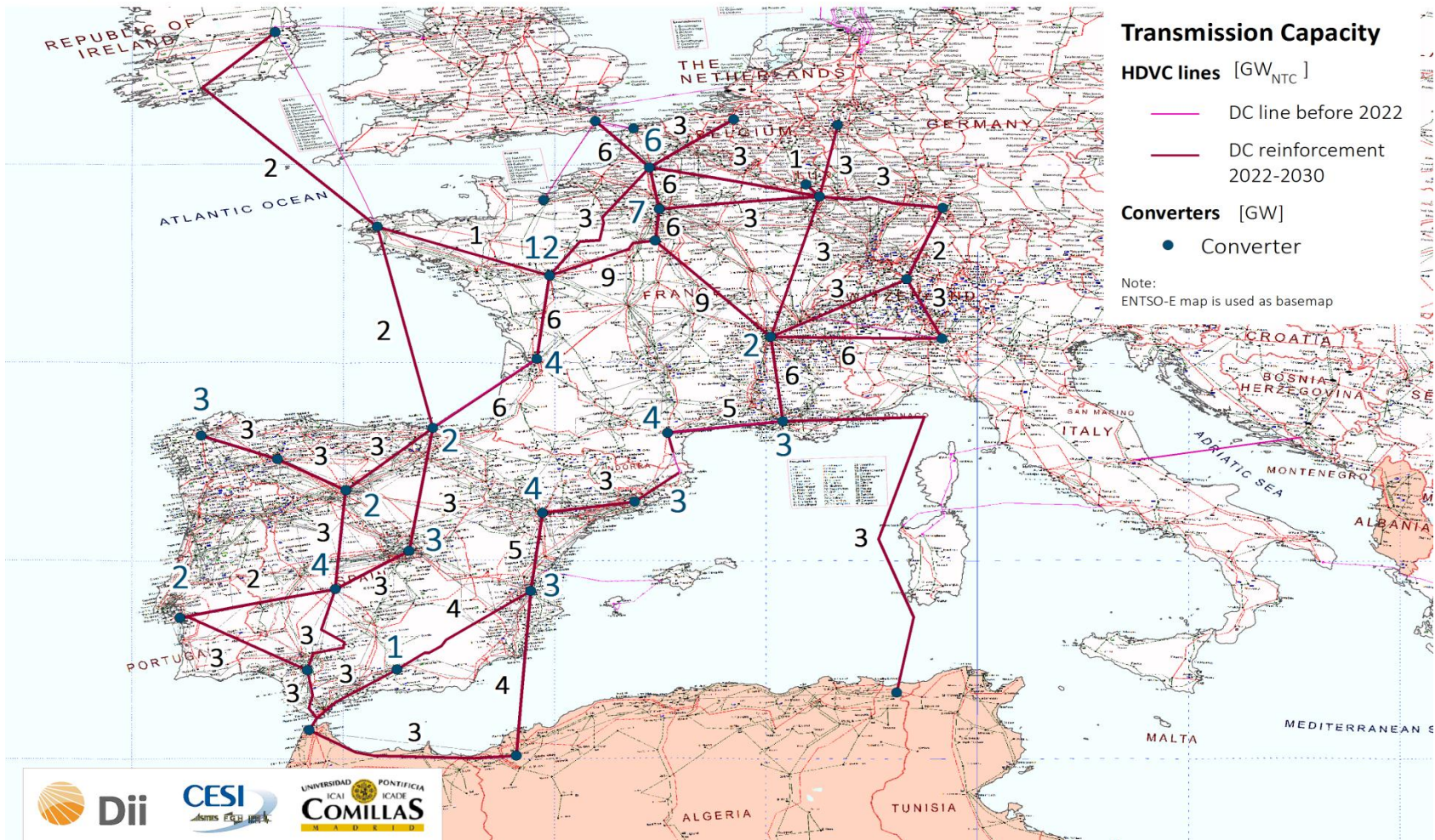
Dii Study in 2014 by Dii Transmission Group (Terna, REE, RWE, ABB (initially))
Modeling carried out by CESI/Comillas

- Reinforcements in mid- and long- term in terms of:
 - Capacities** of the grid infrastructure
 - Costs** of Investment and operation

Example of Interconnections SW Mediterranean – Central Europe: several 3 GW HVDC inter-regional lines



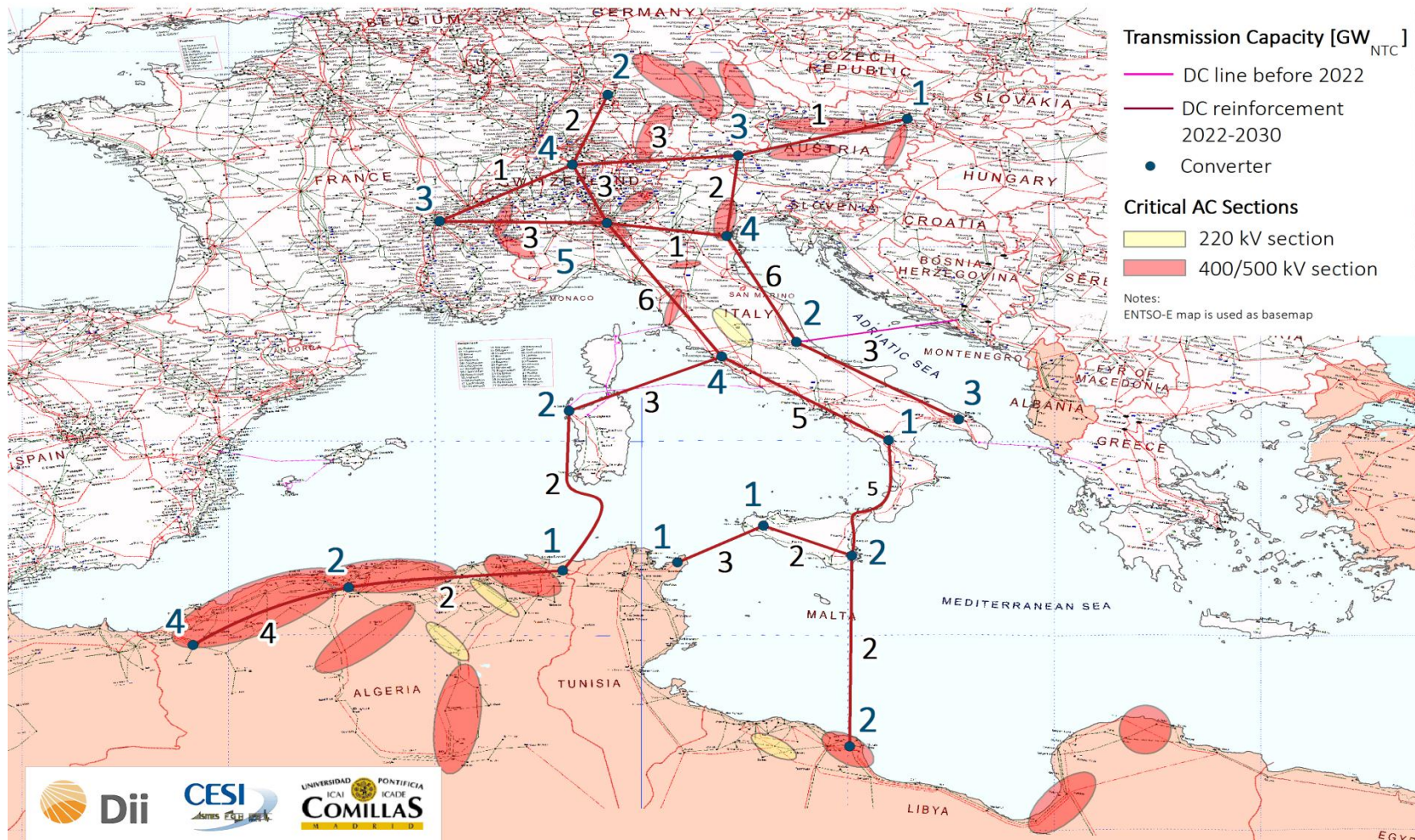
Grid expansion in the Western corridor between 2022 and 2030 [GW]



• Draft results

Example of Interconnections Italy - NA: 2-3GW HVDC submarine links and reinforcements in Europe

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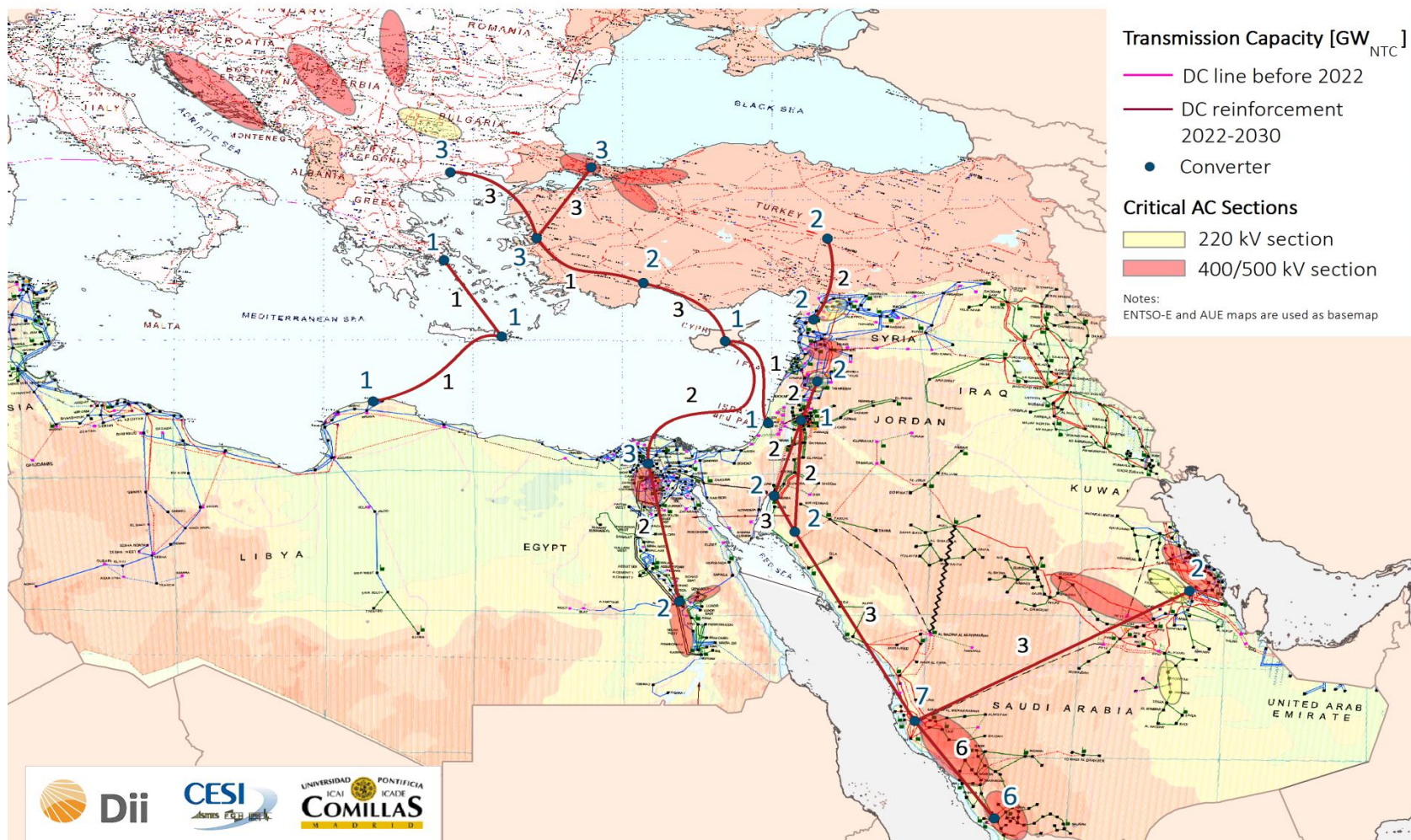


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Example Interconnections: S-E Mediterranean: Up to 2 GW HVDC with North Africa/ Middle East plus AC reinforcements



Grid expansion in the Eastern corridor between 2022 and 2030 [GW]



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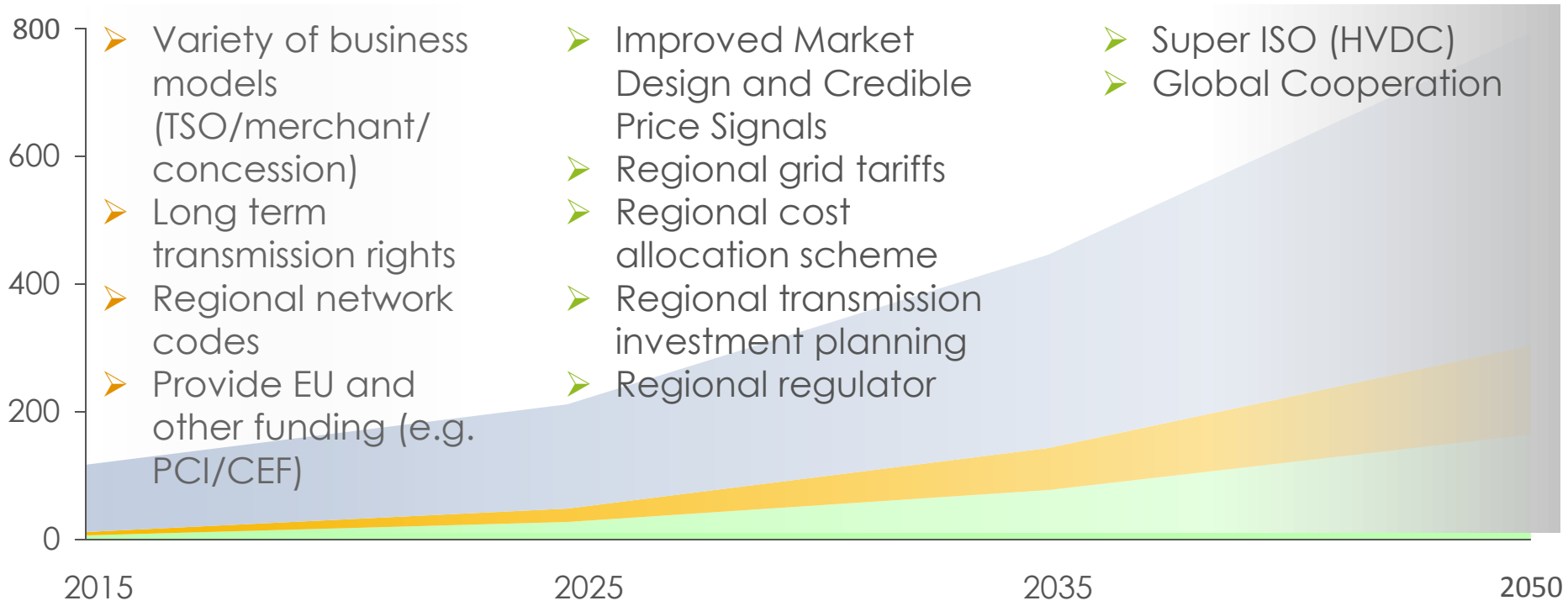
Extensive international co-operation and regulation needed in the longterm



Short term

Medium term

Long term



- Variety of business models (TSO/merchant/concession)
- Long term transmission rights
- Regional network codes
- Provide EU and other funding (e.g. PCI/CEF)

- Improved Market Design and Credible Price Signals
- Regional grid tariffs
- Regional cost allocation scheme
- Regional transmission investment planning
- Regional regulator

- Super ISO (HVDC)
- Global Cooperation

Grid capacity in GW_{NTC}: ■ Europe ■ MENA ■ Europe/MENA /beyond

Source: Dii

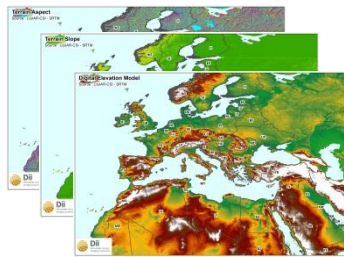
- First priority: **removing key hurdles** for RE projects in MENAT
- **Arrange access and reinforce** the grids and power markets
 - Open up power markets and smart interaction with demand
 - Provide credible Price Signals
- Major synergies to be captured by **connecting power markets**
 - Start planning economic Long Distance HVDC/HVAC infrastructure throughout Europe /Africa and Asia
 - Improve co-operation and regulation

- Dii website: www.desertenergy.org

Dii databases and tools

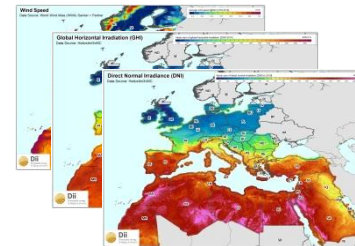
- Extensive geo-data and renewable energy project data

Geodatabase



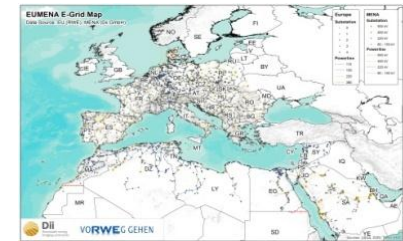
Topography

- Bird flyways
- Land-Use



Potential resources

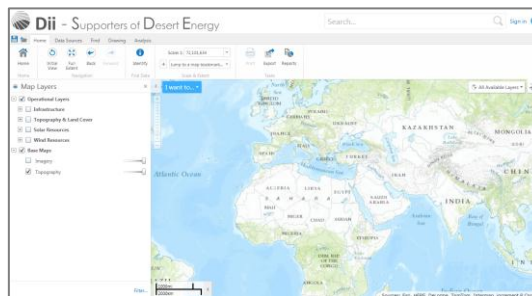
- Restricted areas
- Bathymetry



E-Grid

- Geomorphology
- Hydrology
- Albedo factor
- And many more

Dii Project Data Base



- Existing installations
- Planned installations
- Grid Extensions (tbd)