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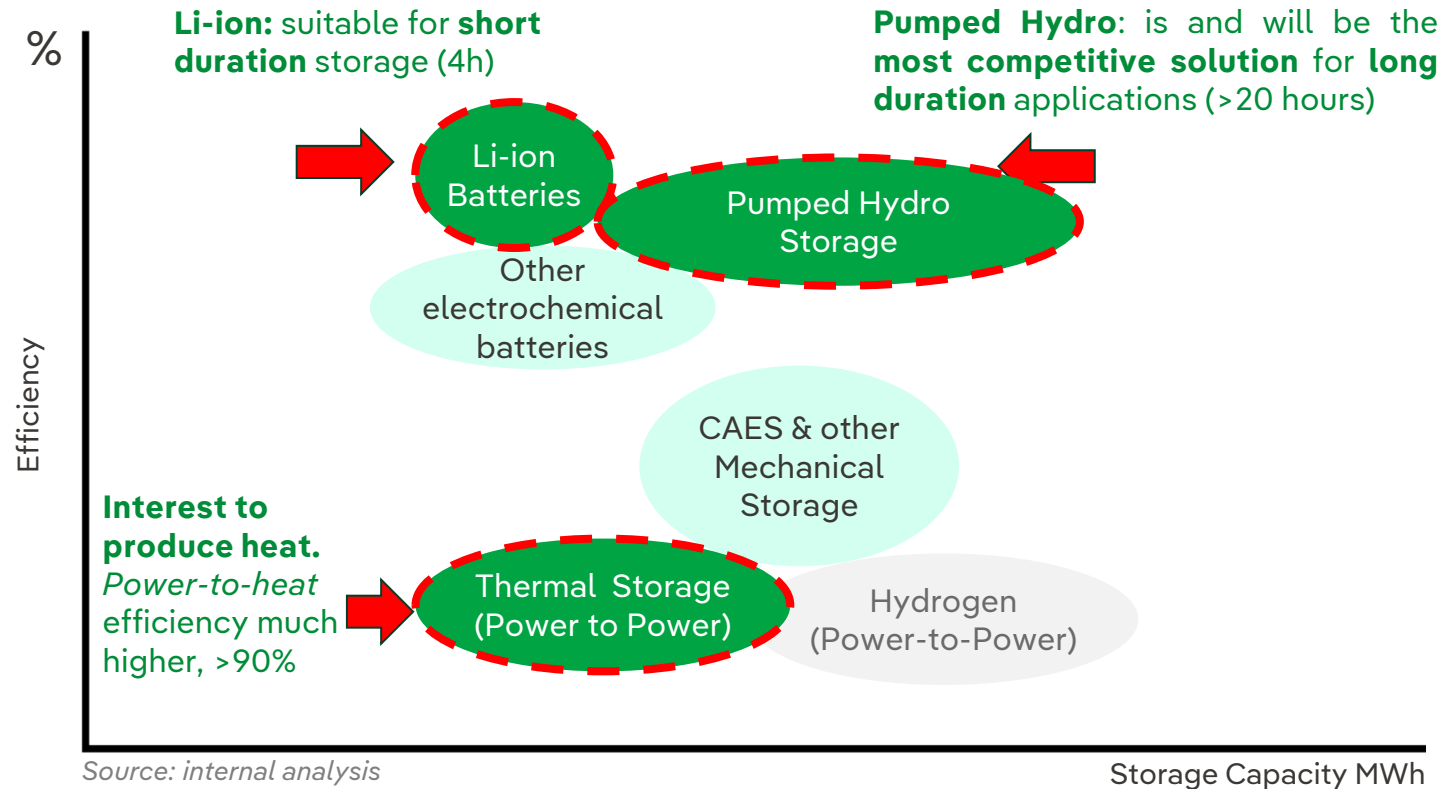
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# Technologies

**Many energy storage technologies, but only a few are mature and suitable for the power system**



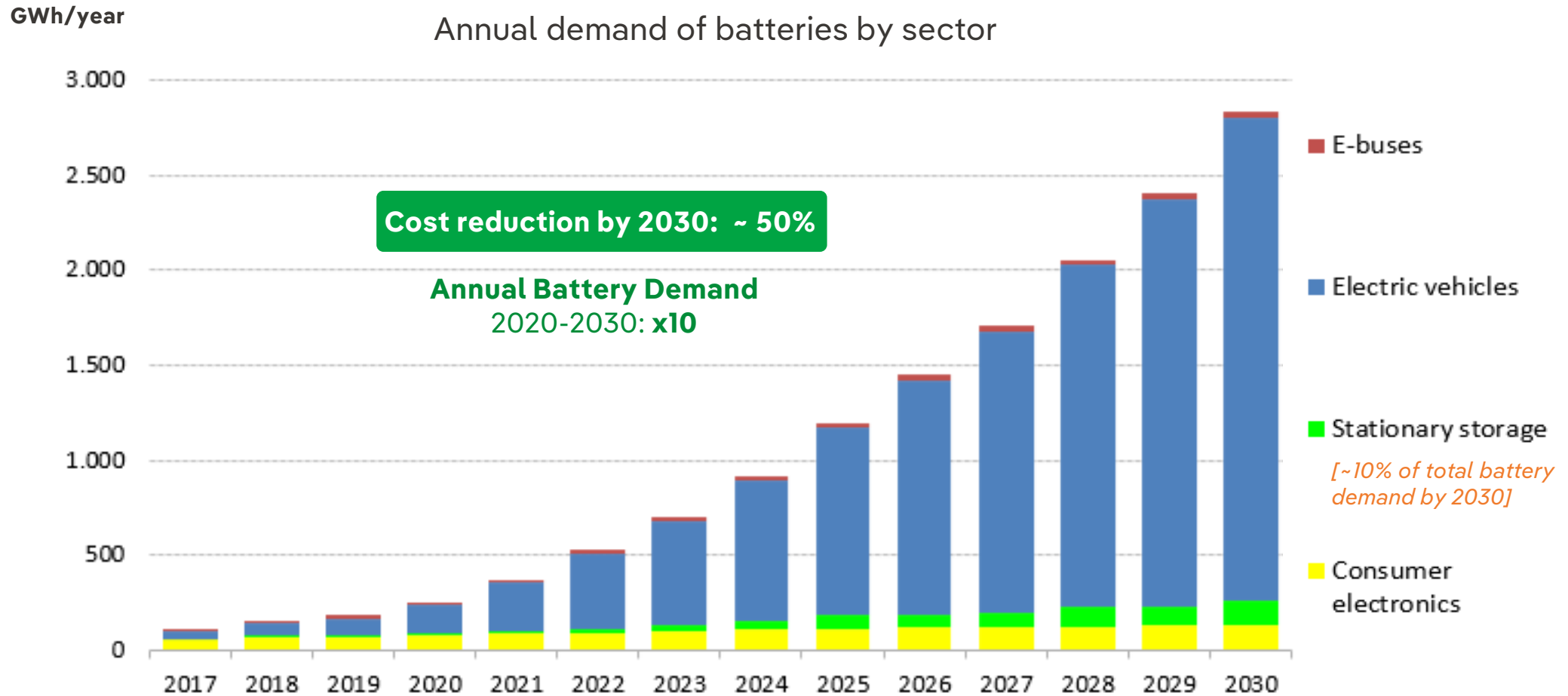
Mature technology
  In development phase
  In research stage

**Energy Storage technologies characterisation**

- Scale
- Duration
- Density
- Efficiency
- Degradation
- Charge/discharge rate
- Cost
- Safety
- Useful life
- .....

*Many other storage technologies, but still in early-to-mid stages of development*

## Electric vehicles are driving li-ion battery demand



Source: Bloomberg NEF

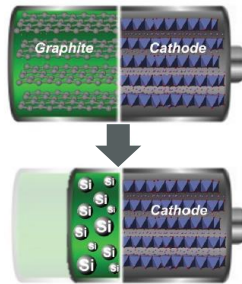
**Main innovations are focused on increasing energy density and reducing critical materials**

**2023-2025**

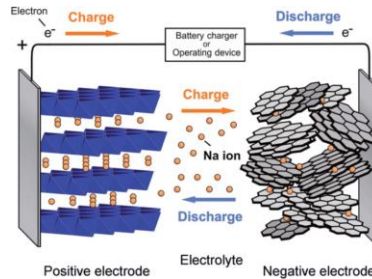


**Cathode**  
Cobalt reduction  
NMC III to 9.5.5  
LFP dominant in stationary storage

**2026-2030**

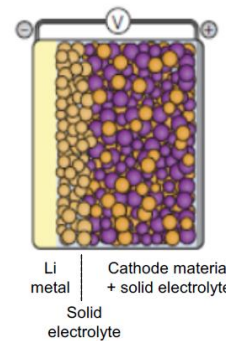


**Anodes with silicon**  
Higher energy density, lower cost



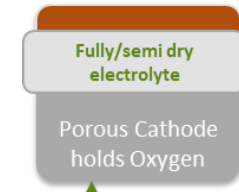
**Sodium ion cells**  
No critical materials  
albeit lower energy density

**2030-2035**



**Solid Electrolyte**  
Higher safety, enables use of lithium metal anodes (high energy density)

Ultra-Thin **Lithium metal** (almost anode free)



**Li- air**  
Lithium metal anodes and O<sub>2</sub> in cathodes  
(Cell densities >500 Wh/kg)

**Innovations beyond the chemistry**

- ❖ Production
- ❖ Cell to pack design
- ❖ Mining: extraction and refining of metals
- ❖ Battery operation and digitalization
- ❖ Standardisation of stationary battery systems

**LFP main chemistry for stationary storage in the next years; Na-ion adoption in the medium term**



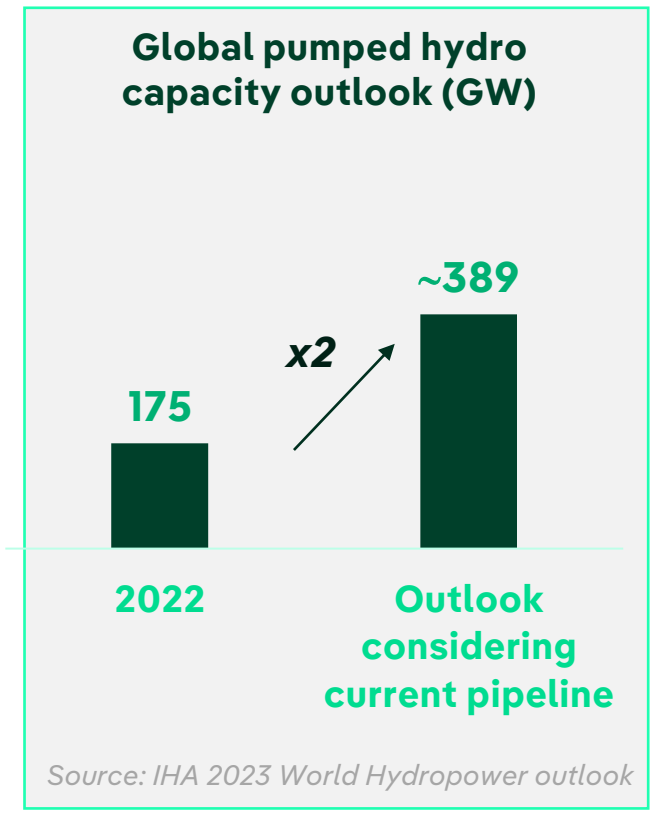
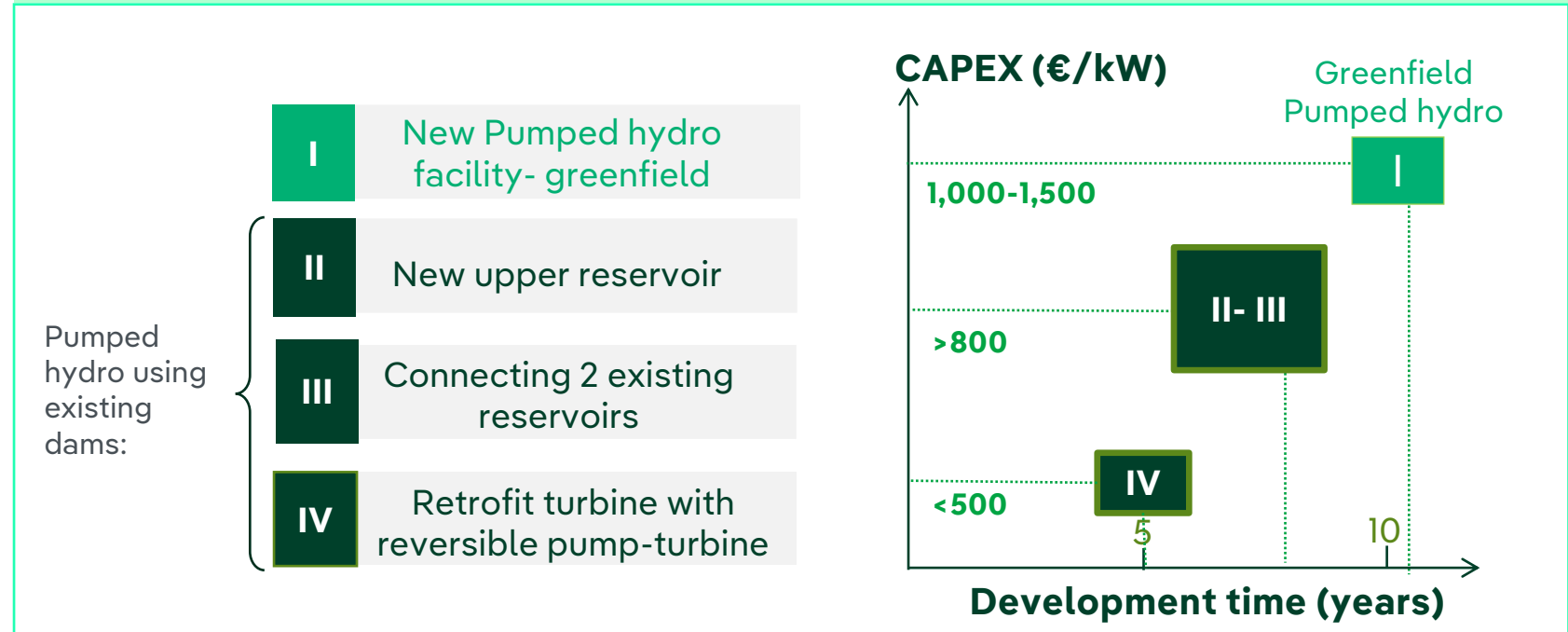
## More than 10 GW of additional pumped hydro potential at competitive cost in existing dams in Spain

**Innovations despite its maturity**

- Variable speed turbines
- Digitisation
- Battery hybridation

▶ Increase flexibility and efficiency  
Feasible locations expanded

### New capacity feasible using existing dams: *Lower cost, shorter development times & lower environmental impact*

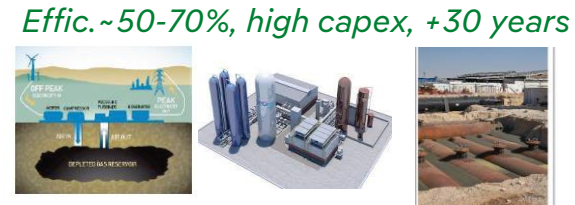


## Other energy storage technologies are being developed, but still in early stages

### INNOVATIONS

#### Mechanical

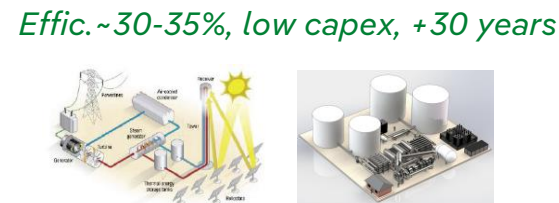
- CAES: Compressed Air
- LAES: Liquid air or CO<sub>2</sub>
- Other mechanical



- No sitting constrains
- Efficiencies > 70%

#### Thermal

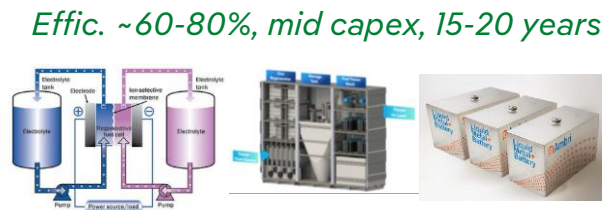
**Resistance + thermal storage** (rocks, concrete, molten salts..) + **steam turbine**



- Heat pump use: efficiency ~45%.
- Power-to-heat application

#### Electrochemical

- Vanadium flow batteries
- Other flow batteries
- Other batteries: NaS, Cu..



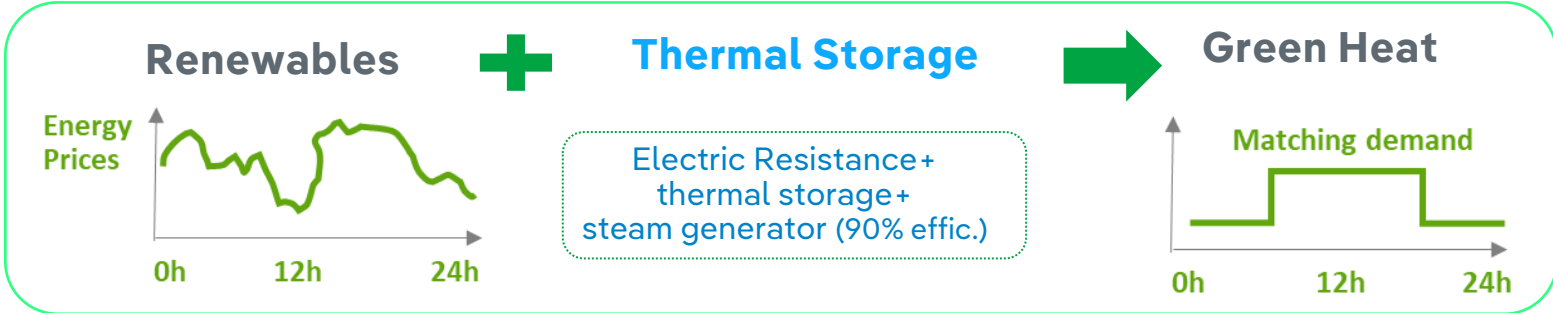
- Cheap chemistries
- Efficiencies > 70%
- More life cycles

Technology closest to market

**Deep dive analysis of over 30 technologies: future evolution and costs**

## Thermal storage to decarbonize industrial heat; new driver of electricity demand

**Green Heat**  
(thermal storage)



**Gray Heat**  
*Variable cost*



↕ *Close to being competitive*

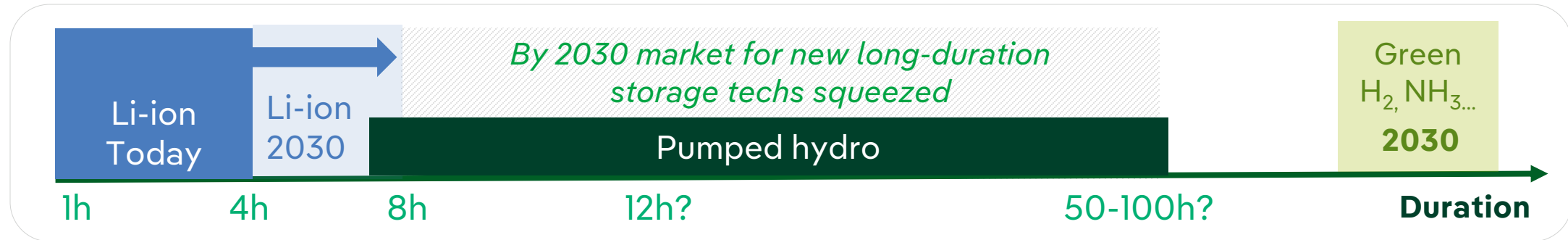
**Thermal storage technologies**

- Rocks** 
- Molten Salts** 
- Bricks** 
- Water** 



**By 2030 batteries and other novel technologies will continue reducing their cost...**

## 2030 Competitiveness by hours of storage duration



**2030 energy storage in the power system**

- **Stationary Batteries** installed by 2030: **x15**
- **Pumped hydro**: the **most competitive** technology in the geographies where it is available
- **Other technologies**: less mature, impact post 2030 (exception: Thermal storage to decarbonize industrial heat)

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Strong pipeline



Developing projects



Technology monitoring

Research centres

Start-ups

Associations, alliances, platforms...

**...but pumped hydro to remain the most competitive technology for long duration energy storage**



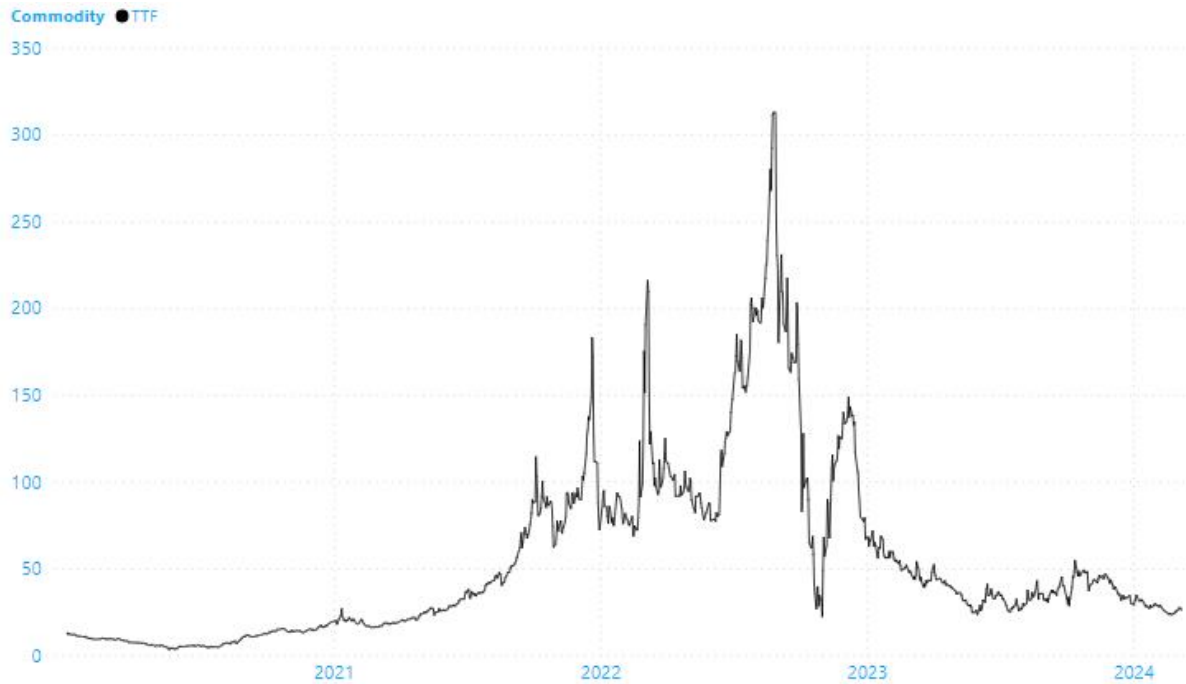
# Revenues

# Volatility is the new business as usual

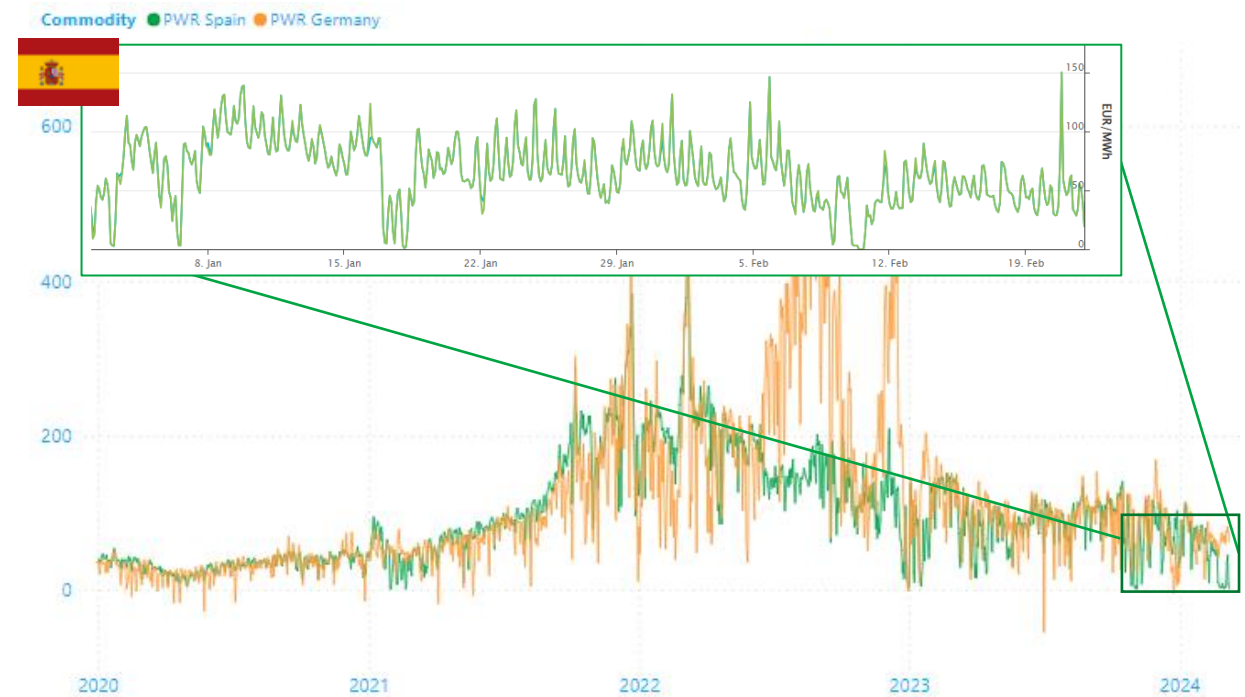
Commodity prices have converged to pre-crisis (Ukraine, pandemic) level but volatility remains high

Volatility in hourly electricity markets is even more extreme as **electricity ...can't be stored?**

TTF Spot Prices Evolution (€/MWh)



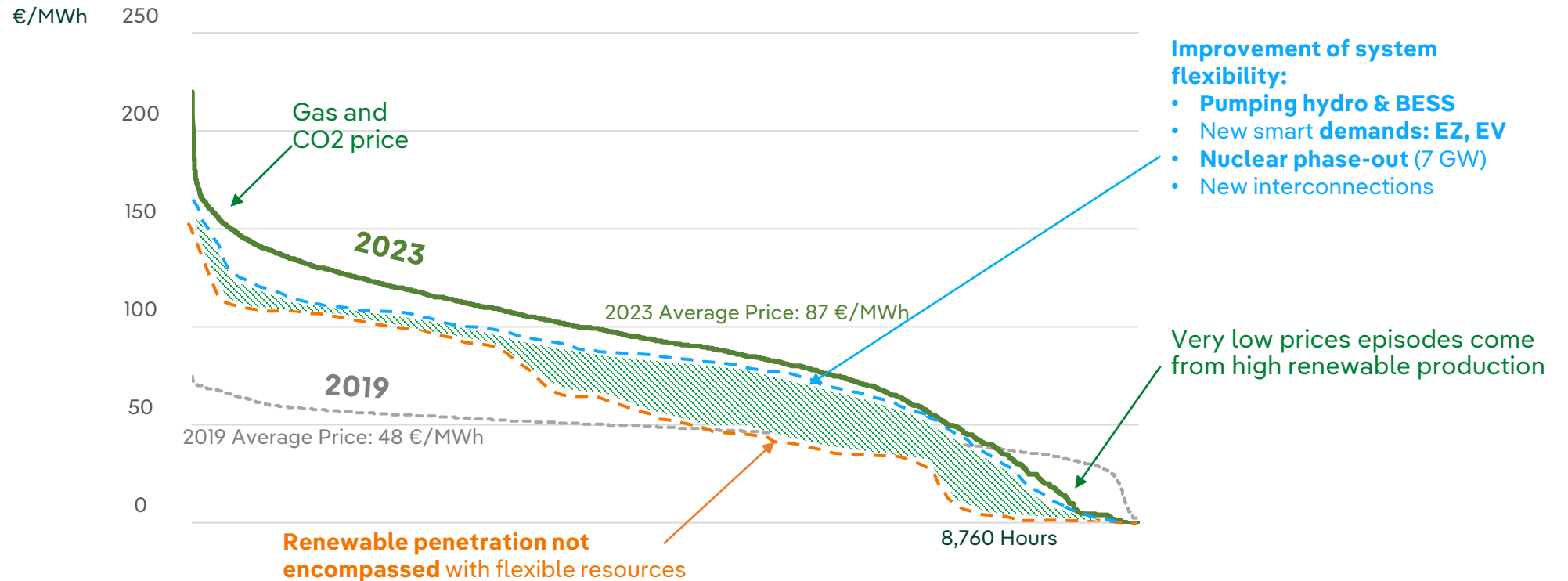
Power ES & Power GER spot (€/MWh)



# Price duration curve: an even steeper slide

**More frequent low prices episodes and less firm capacity during off-peaks will make price duration curve even steeper**






***Price Duration Curve (Spain)***



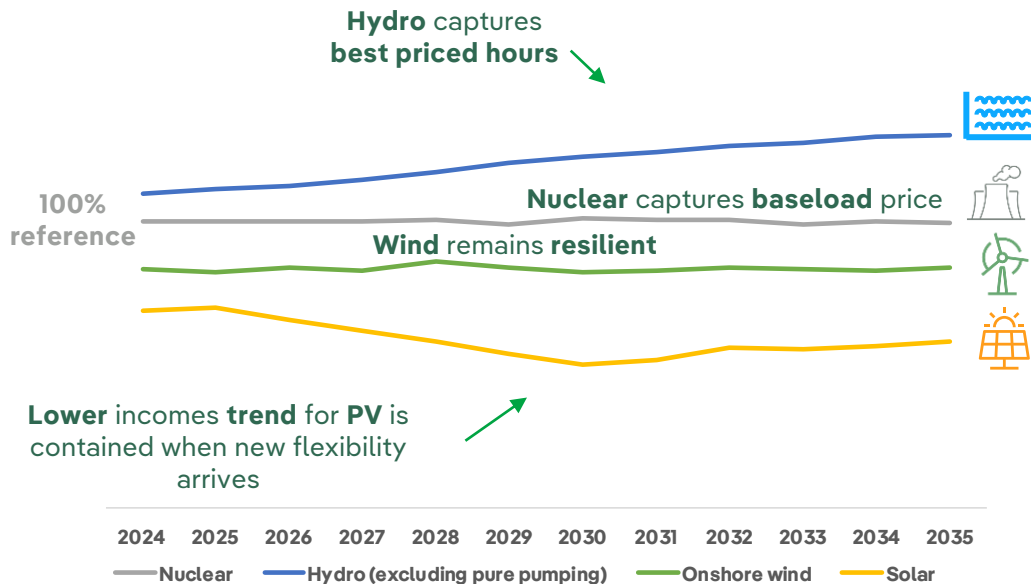
**Storage technologies will have a greater margin to operate**

# Winner: flexible hydro and pumping storage

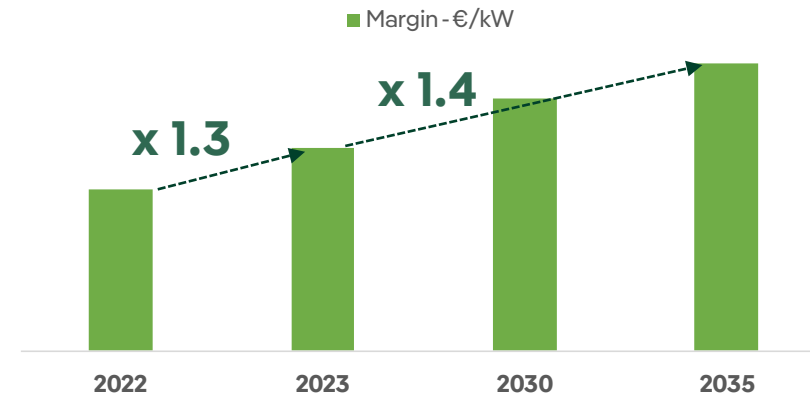
## Different impact by technology, with flexible and pumping hydro capturing more value

Risk	Neutral	Opportunity
 <b>High risk of cannibalization:</b> lower prices in sunny hours	 <b>Resilient to cannibalization</b>	<div style="border: 1px dashed black; padding: 5px;">  <b>Flexible Hydro</b> shifts to capture best priced hours   <b>Pumping Storage</b> will have <b>higher load factor and margins</b> </div> 

Income / Baseload by Technology in Spain



Pumping hydro in Spain: Energy Margins



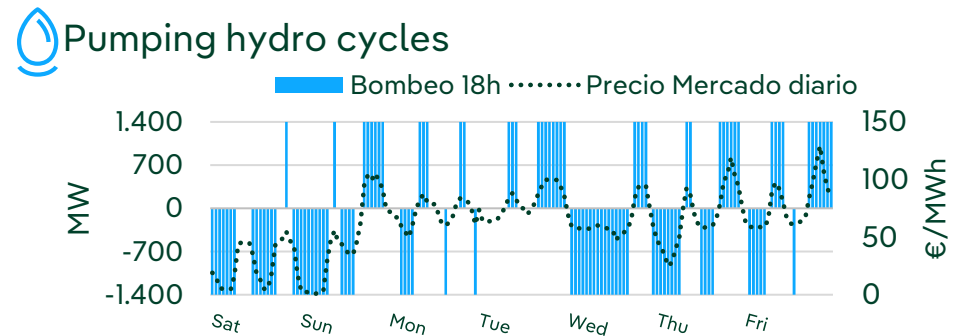
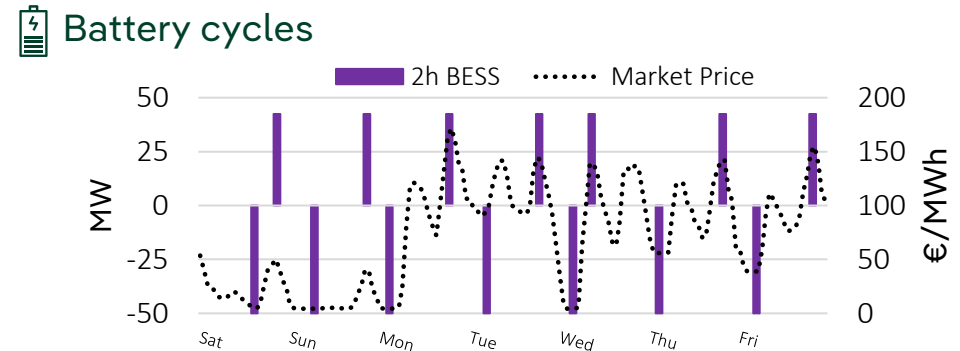
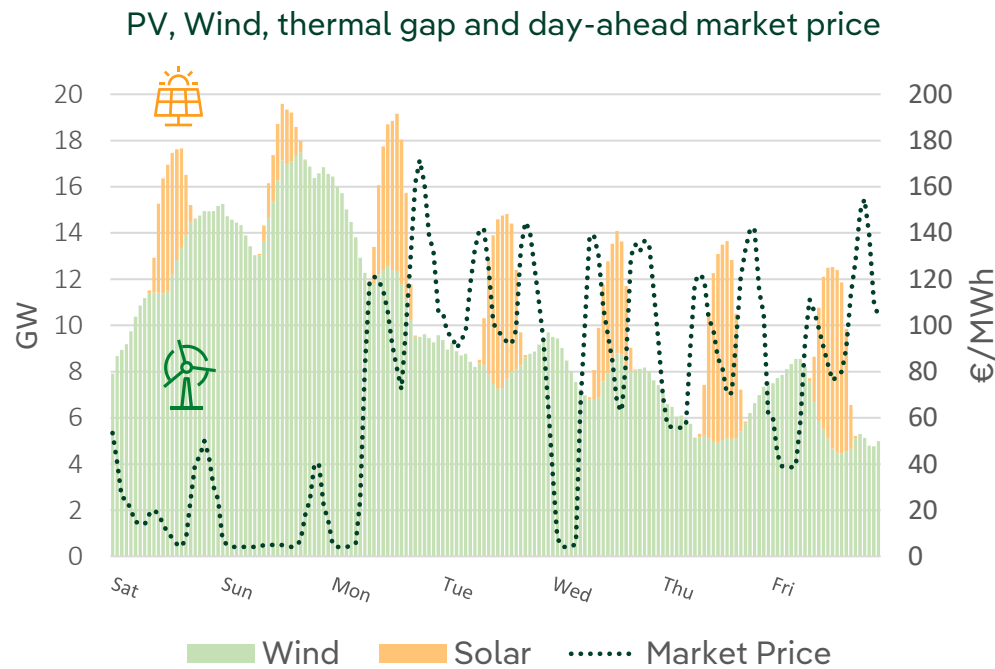


There are three main sources of revenues for energy storage



Pumping hydro and batteries can obtain different revenue stacking based on their technical capabilities

## Longer duration storage captures daily and weekly arbitrage opportunities



**Pumping hydro has 2.5-3x load factor compared with 2h BESS**

## Pumping Hydro and batteries can provide Ancillary Services thanks to their flexibility

More  
relevant

### Restoration Reserve (mFRR)- *Tertiary*

- Quick response (in ~15 min) to system contingencies (e.g. change in renewable forecast)
- More RES penetration will mean more request of Restoration Reserve

### Fast Frequency Response (aFFR) *Secondary*

- Very quick response (in ~5s) to fine-tune generation and load
- Limited market size with potential cannibalization

### Voltage Control

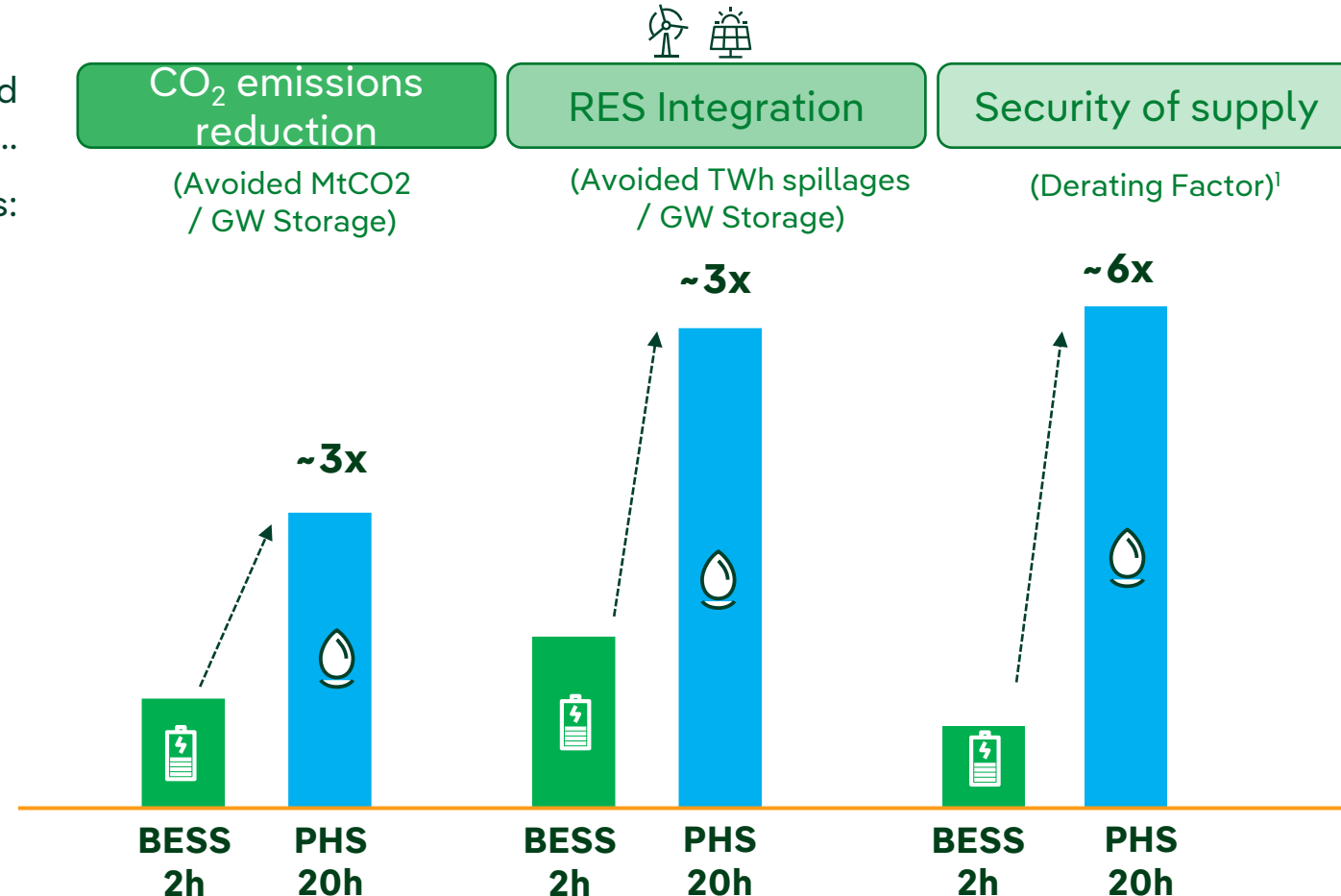
- Voltage Control through reactive power production or absorption, currently provided by synchronous generators

Less  
relevant



**Pumping Hydro will have competitive advantage in Restoration Reserve, as they can produce/pump ~100% of hours**  
**Batteries may have an advantage in Frequency Response as they can easily regulate in charge or discharge mode**

**Pumping hydro is almost 3x more effective than BESS 2h in terms of decarbonization and renewable integration... and 6x times in terms of security of supply**

Three key services provided to the system...  
... measured as:



## Longer duration does matter for collecting higher revenues from Market Arbitrage and Restoration Reserve, and providing more effectively Services to the System

	Market arbitrage	Ancillary services	Services to the System	
		mFFR (Restoration Reserve)	aFFR (Fast Frequency Response)	Decarbonization RES integration Security of supply
 Battery	+	+	++	+
 Pumping Hydro	++	++	+	++
<b>Rational</b> ✓	Higher load factor for pumping	Batteries exhaust flexibility quicker	Variable speed required for pumping	Higher derating for pumping More effective in spillage reduction

🔍 Potential future revenues through local services provided to the DSO

However, batteries can offer some advantages such as shorter time-to-market and smaller space requirements