

# *International Experience in Transmission Planning and Delivery*

***ITPR:***

## **Challenges and Options for future GB transmission arrangements**

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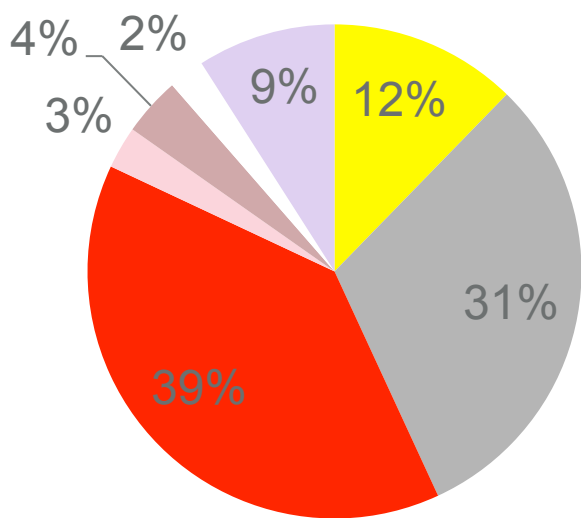
- Context: Implications of UK Government policy on GB transmission network
- Summary of GB Transmission Regimes
- Key objectives of *Integrated Transmission Planning and Regulation* (ITPR) Project
- Options for future GB transmission arrangements
- Agenda for the workshop





# GB Electricity System

Total installed capacity : **81 GW**

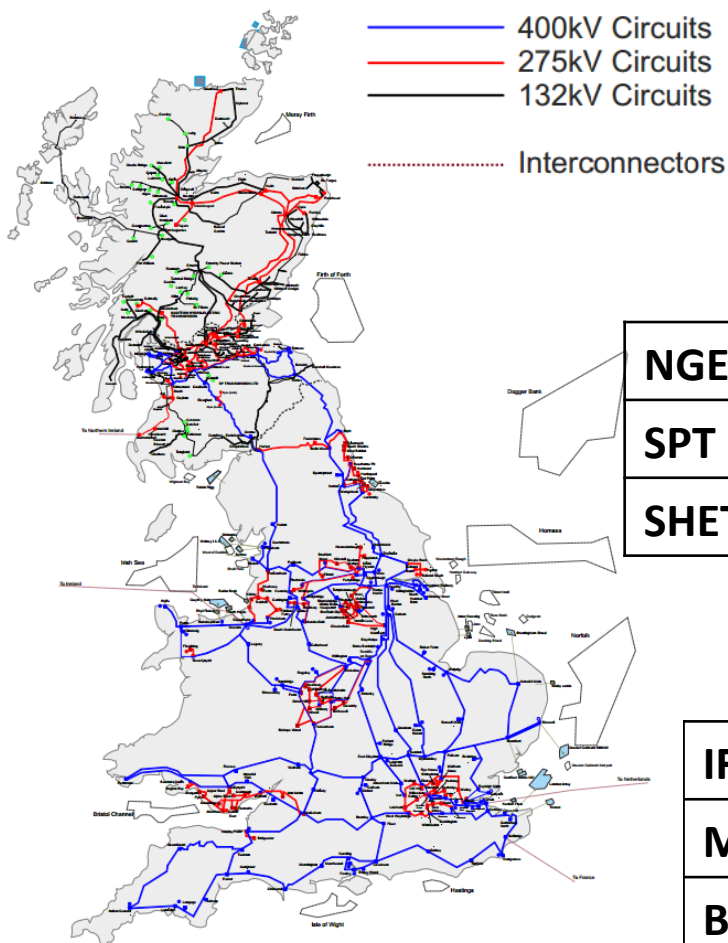
Peak demand in 2011: **58.1GW**

## Installed Capacity Mix



	Nuclear	10 GW
	Coal	25 GW
	Gas / CHP	31.5 GW
	Offshore Wind	2.2 GW
	Onshore Wind	3.1 GW
	Other Renewables	1.9 GW
	Other (Oil / Pumped)	7.3 GW

# GB Transmission Network



## GB Onshore TOs

	OHL (km)	Cable (km)	Peak Demand (GW)	Connected Generation (GW)
<b>NGET</b>	14,000	700	52.4	70
<b>SPT</b>	3,700	300	4.1	7.5
<b>SHETL</b>	5,000	70	1.6	3

## Interconnectors

<b>IFA</b>	GB – France	2000 MW
<b>Moyle</b>	GB – Northern Ireland	450 MW
<b>BritNed</b>	GB – Netherlands	1000 MW
<b>East-West</b>	GB – Republic of Ireland	500 MW

# UK Government energy policy objectives and Energy Market Reform

## ***Security Of Supply***

- Doubling / tripling of demand by 2050
- Diverse and resilient electricity supply

## ***Climate Change***

- By 2050 80% reduction in CO2
- By 2020 30% renewable power

## ***Affordability***

- Minimise costs to taxpayer and keep the energy bills down



# Scale of expected investment and role of UK Energy Market Reform

## Investment in Electricity Infrastructure by 2020:

1. *Generation* £75bn
2. *T & D Networks* £35bn

## Energy Market Reform:

1. *Long Term Contracts for Low Carbon Power (CfD)*
2. *Capacity Mechanism*

# Where are we now?

## Planning : Decentralised

- **System operator:** real time operation and balancing
- **Transmission owners:** devise plans based on grid users commitment, some strategic planning possible
- **Interconnection:** developed by third parties in discrete projects

### **Q: Why do we do this?**

*A: User commitment – the users decide ... Drives efficiency, reduces stranding. Optimises network according to need. Multiple inputs guide network build out*

## Delivery: Multiple Choices

- **Onshore** – Monopoly regulated TOs
- **Offshore** – Competitive tender for reg revenue stream
- **Cross-Border** – Third party contestable

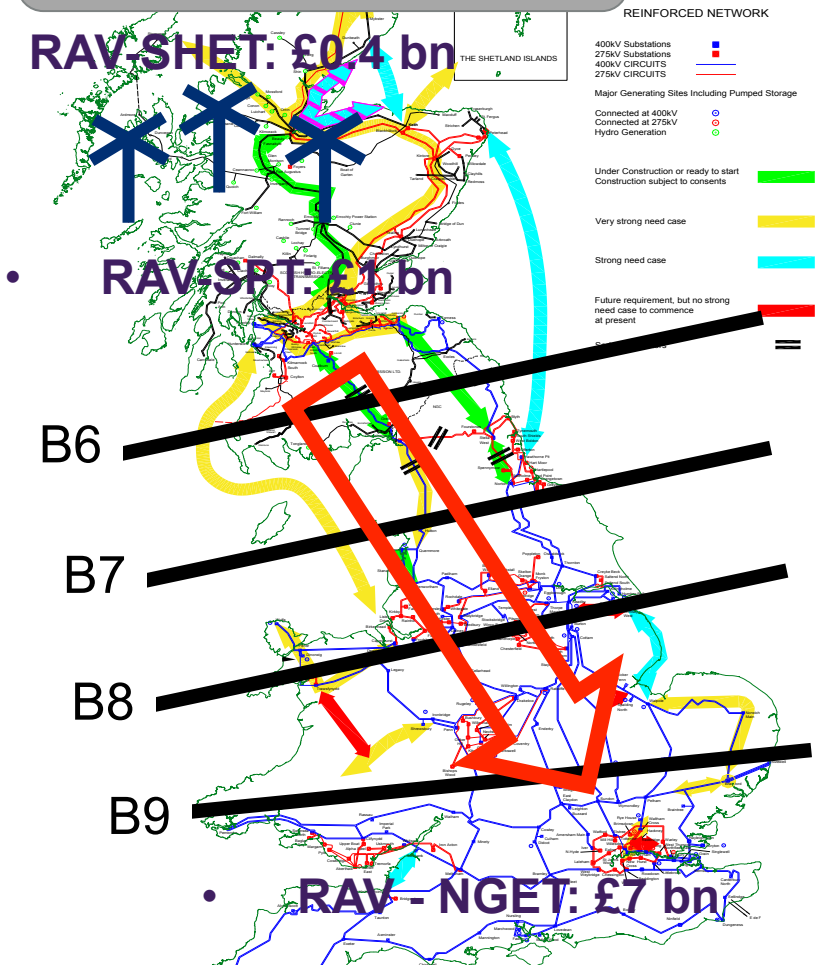
### **Q: Why do we do this?**

*A: Capitalise on differences in infrastructure profiles. Drive efficiencies by allowing alternatives to financing, construction, ownership and operation*



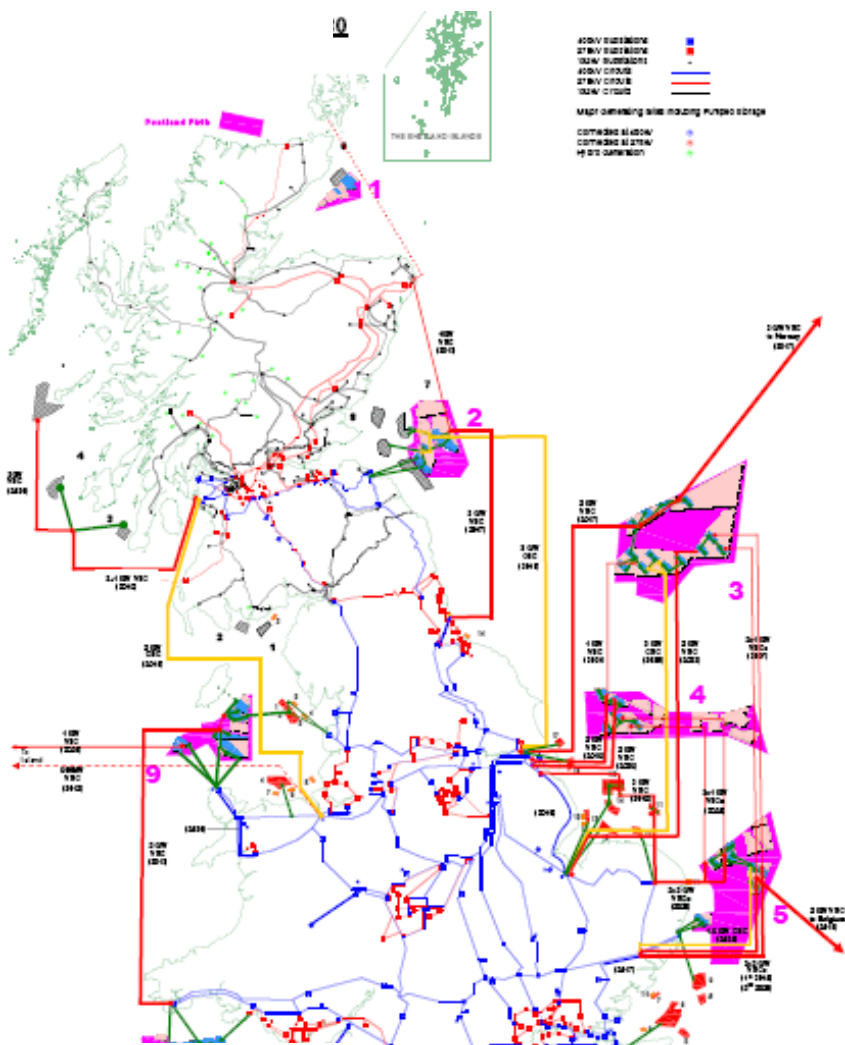
# Onshore transmission network development and investment

**Scotland: 7-13GW**

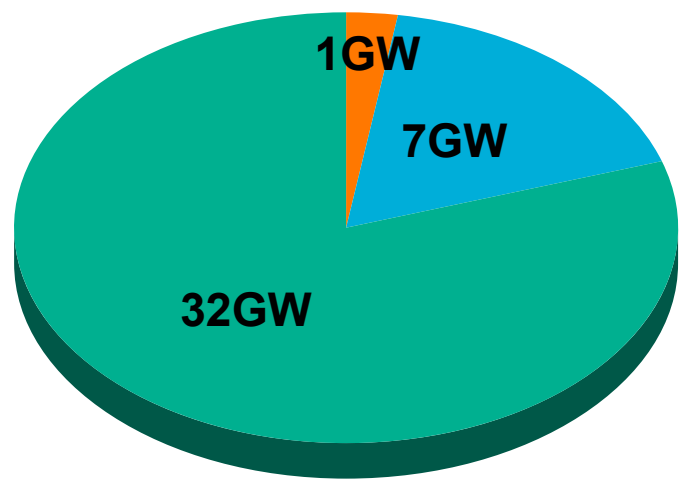


• **Investment:  
4bn - £7bn**

# Offshore transmission network development and investment



## Offshore wind capacity



Round 1 Round 2 Round 3

Investment: £12bn-25bn

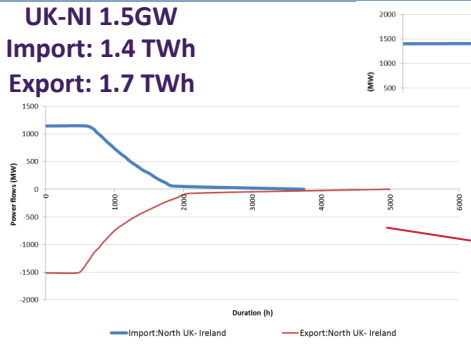
Source: National Grid

# Interconnection development

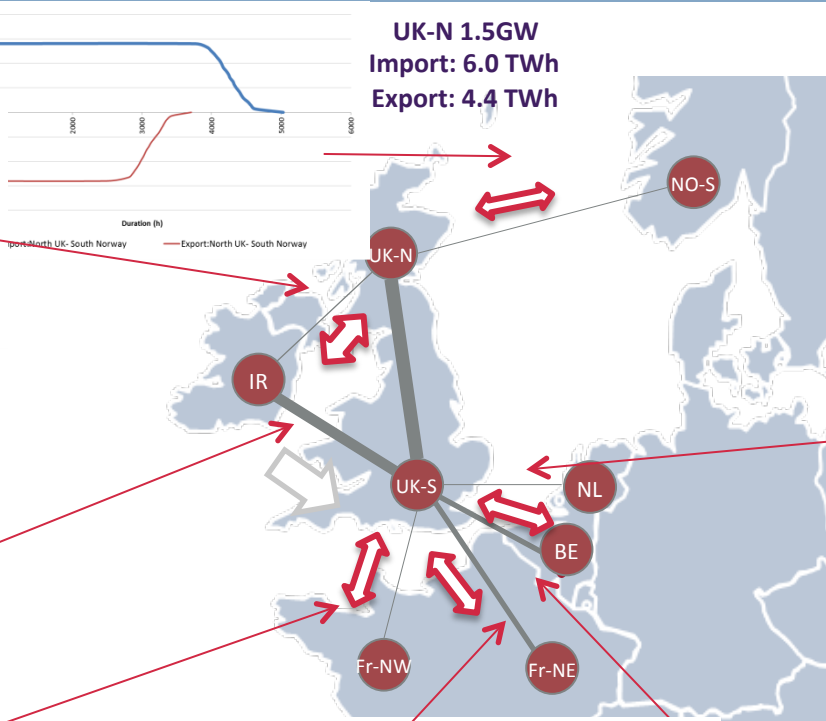
>8 – 20 GW of new interconnection

Investment £8bn – £20bn

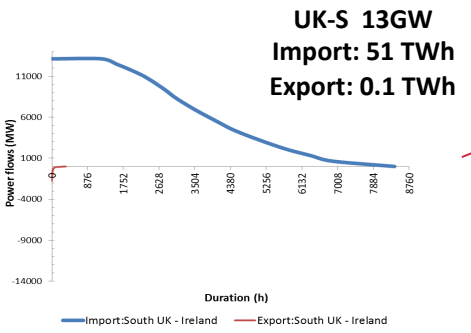
**UK-NI 1.5GW**  
 Import: 1.4 TWh  
 Export: 1.7 TWh



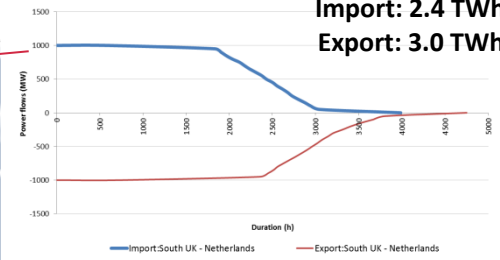
**UK-N 1.5GW**  
 Import: 6.0 TWh  
 Export: 4.4 TWh



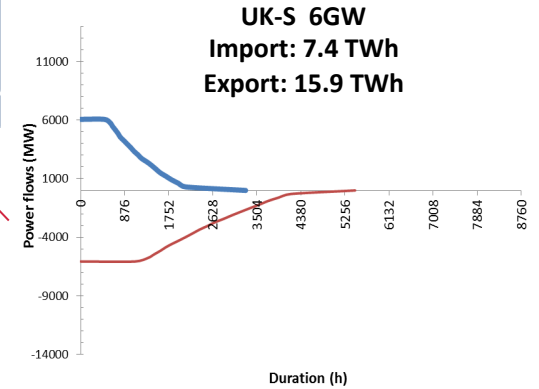
**UK-S 13GW**  
 Import: 51 TWh  
 Export: 0.1 TWh



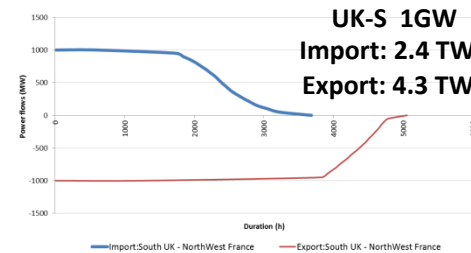
**UK-S 1GW**  
 Import: 2.4 TWh  
 Export: 3.0 TWh



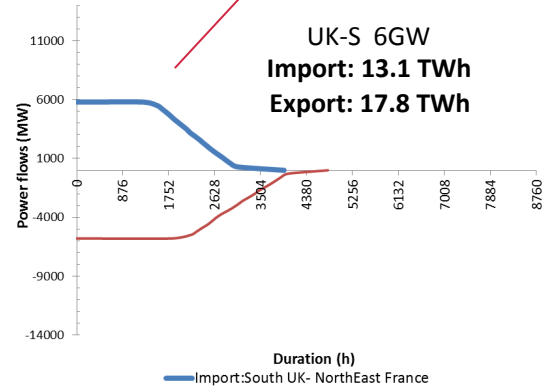
**UK-S 6GW**  
 Import: 7.4 TWh  
 Export: 15.9 TWh



**UK-S 1GW**  
 Import: 2.4 TWh  
 Export: 4.3 TWh



**UK-S 6GW**  
 Import: 13.1 TWh  
 Export: 17.8 TWh

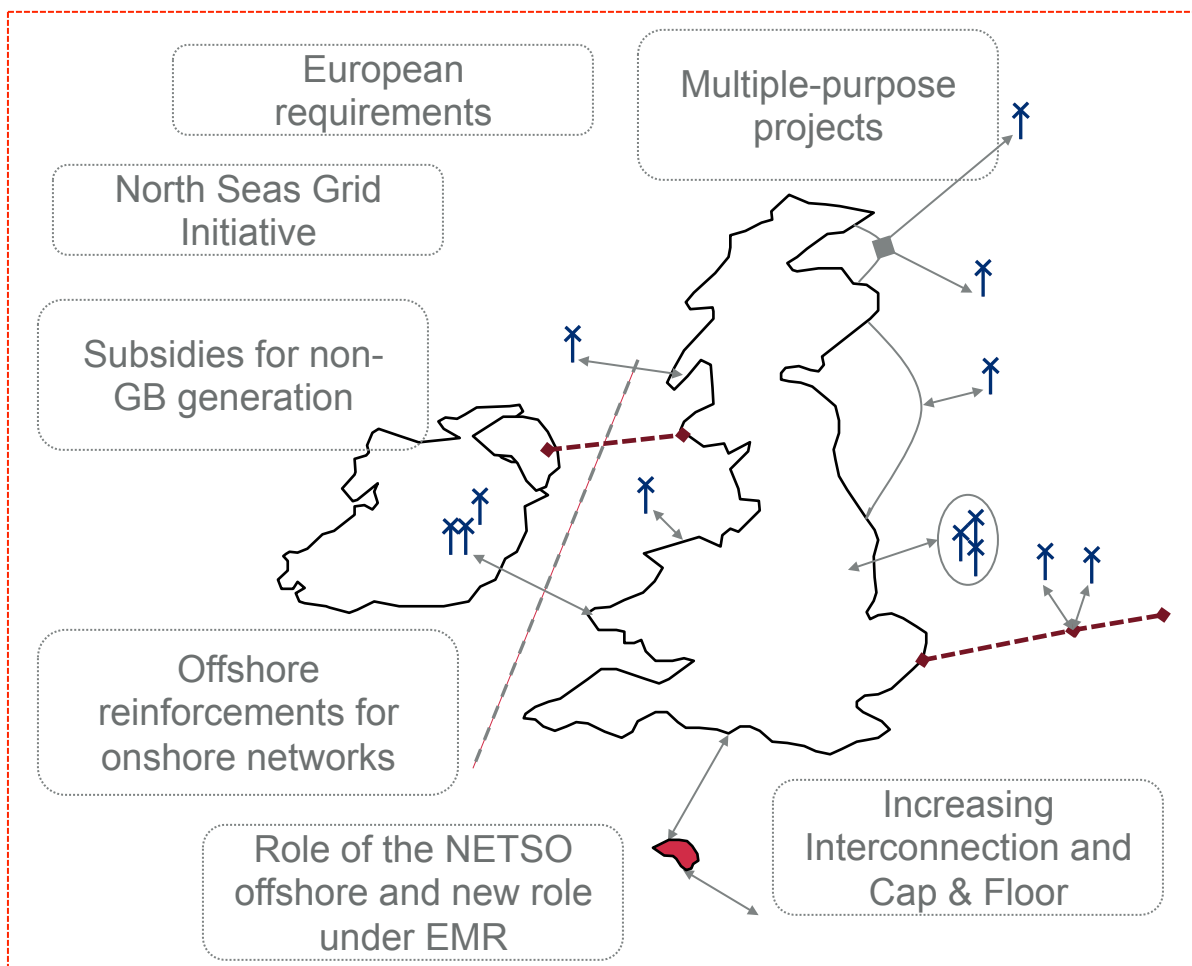


## Concerns with the present regimes....

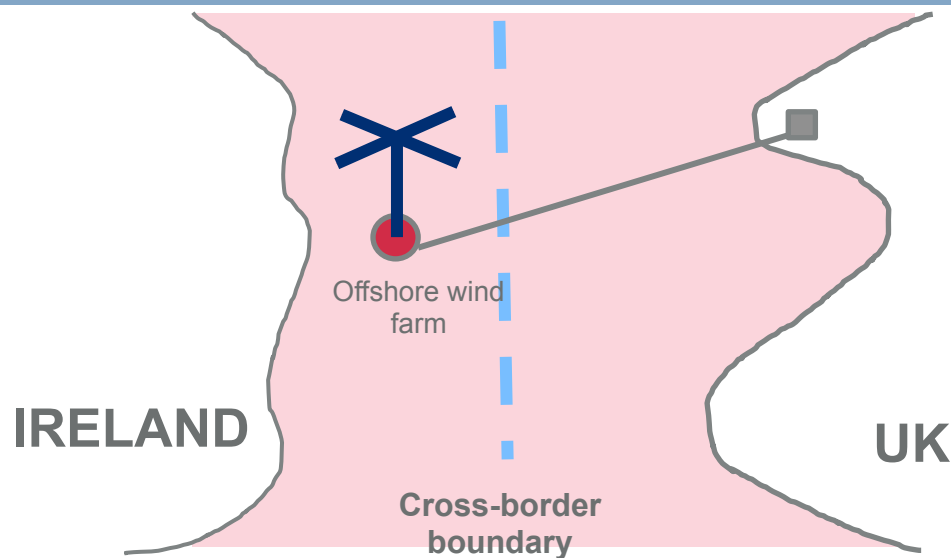
- **Onshore:** Investment proposals cannot be scrutinised; Incentives for asset heavy solutions, risk of overinvestment is on consumers; insufficient coordination between TOs; insufficient signals for efficient location of new generation; conflict of interest
- **Offshore:** Incremental rather than strategic / coordinated network development; no onshore-offshore coordination; conflicts of interest
- **Interconnectors:** No co-ordination between onshore development and interconnectors; risk of conflict of interest for NETSO; how to coordinate co-existence of regulated and merchant;

## Can the current arrangements deliver it effectively?

Largest investment in GB transmission networks reinforcement since post WW II expansion



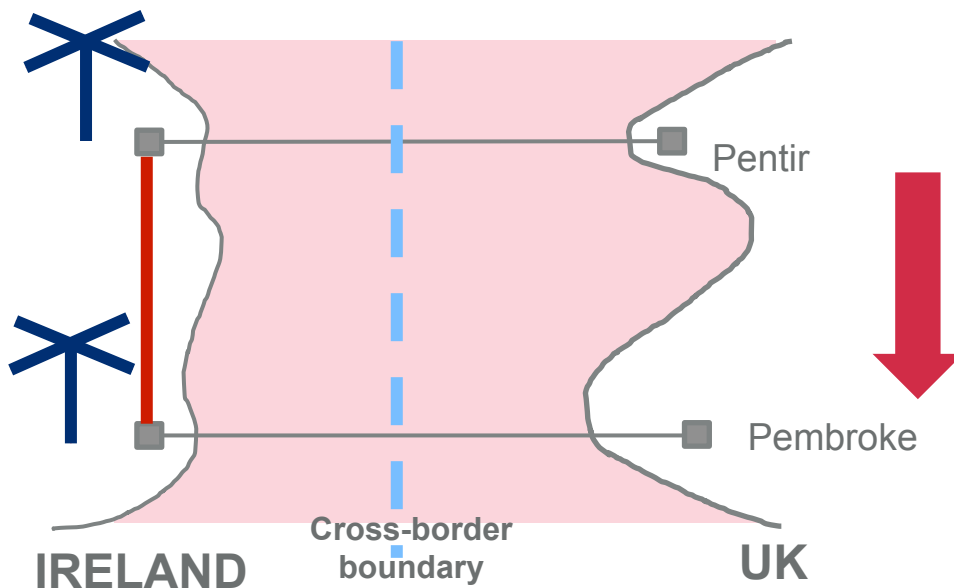
## Example Case 1: Offshore windfarm in Irish territorial waters to connect to GB



- Interconnection or OFTO?
- Can the wind-farm access GB subsidy (ROC/FiTs)?
- If yes, will the transmission line be considered as IC and not pay TNUoS or fall under OFTO regime and pay TNUoS?

## Example Case 2: Combining Offshore, Interconnection and Onshore regimes

### OFTO or interconnector regime?

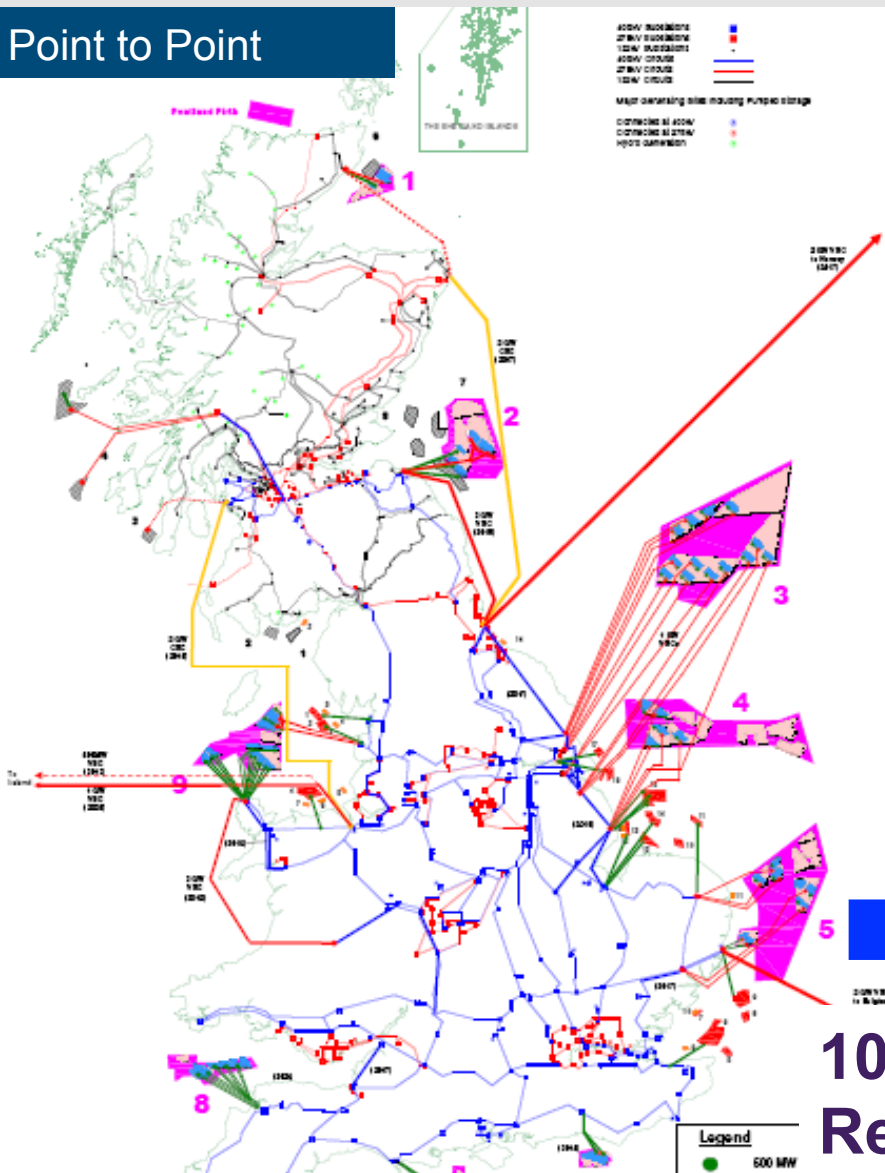


- Irish onshore wind not connect to the Irish grid and seeks to export to GB through offshore transmission

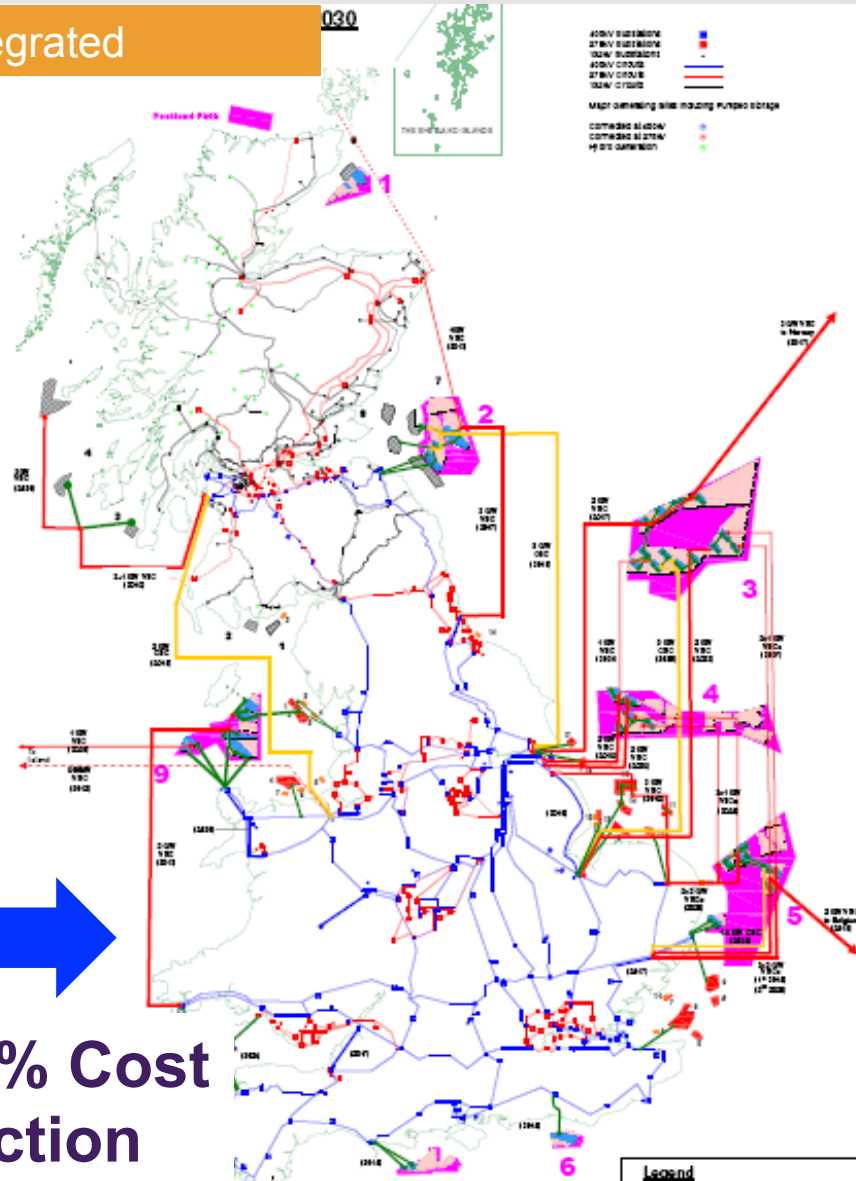
- Who decides/plans this project?
  - *Unlikely that such a project would be undertaken under the current regime, even if optimal*
- How it is delivered?
- Who pays?
- Which TNUoS charges do wind generators?

# How important Is the coordination?

## Point to Point



## Integrated

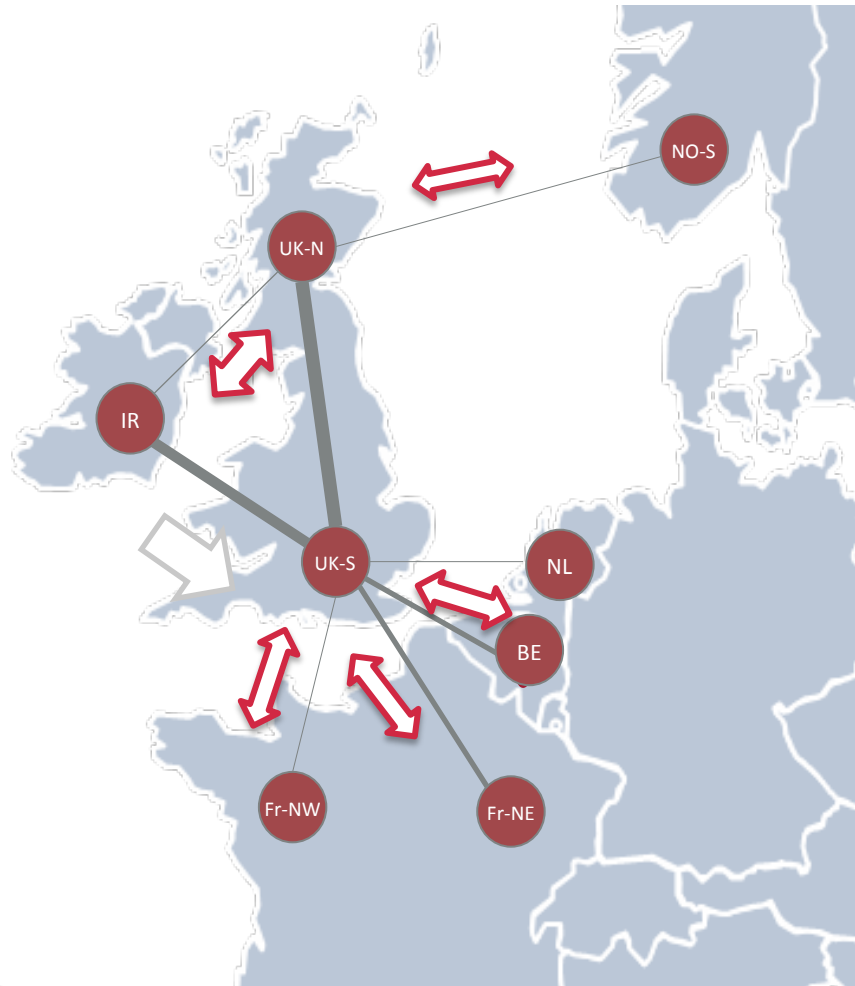


10-20% Cost Reduction

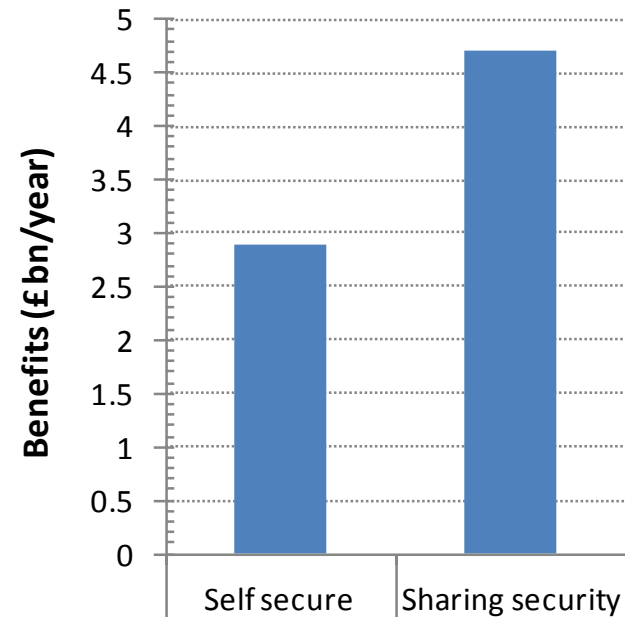




# Role of Interconnection in UK Capacity Mechanism



**Can you really trust  
..... when it comes to  
security of supply?**



# ITPR

## Project objectives:

- **SYSTEM PLANNING**: To set out the roles and responsibilities to realise coordinated system planning across the transmission network; and
- **DELIVERY OF INVESTMENT**: To provide clarity on the interfaces between the existing regulatory regimes to enable delivery of an efficient and coordinated transmission network that includes multi purpose projects.

# ITPR ... back to the first principles

- **What ensures that transmission investments are necessary? Should we / how to take into account interest of future consumers?**
  - *Who decides and on what basis?*
- **What ensures that transmission investments are delivered at least cost?**
  - *Regulated or competitive delivery? Delivery of service or delivery of specific projects?*
    - (1) What are the pre-requisites for establishing necessity of investment and efficient delivery?*
    - (2) What are the implications on market design?*
    - (3) What are the options for implementation?*

# (Extreme) Options for GB

	<i>Option 1</i>	<i>Option 2</i>
<b>Planning</b>	ISO - Design Authority	TSO – ISO ( regulator approval)
<b>Delivery</b>	Competition (market based)	Regulated

*What are the pre-requisites for establishing necessity of investment and efficient delivery?*

# Is the T0 / ISO separation emerging?

- **Onshore RAV:**
  - NGET: £7 bn + SPT: £1 bn: SHET: £0.4 bn
  - Reinforcement: £4bn- £7bn
- **Offshore**
  - R\_1: £1.1bn + R\_2: >£2bn (+ EndR: £15 bn)
- **Interconnection**
  - £4bn (+ >£5b)

## Two additional questions....

- **Who will facilitate development and implantation of effective **non-network solutions** for network problems?**
- **Are the historic reliability standards **cost effective**?**

## System Integration concerns: degradation in asset utilisation and role of flexible balancing technologies

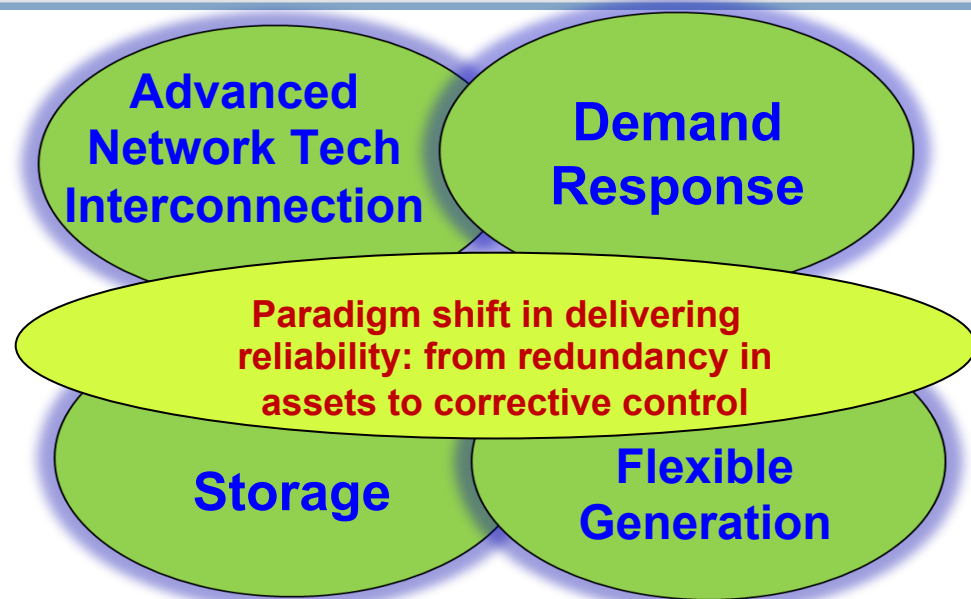
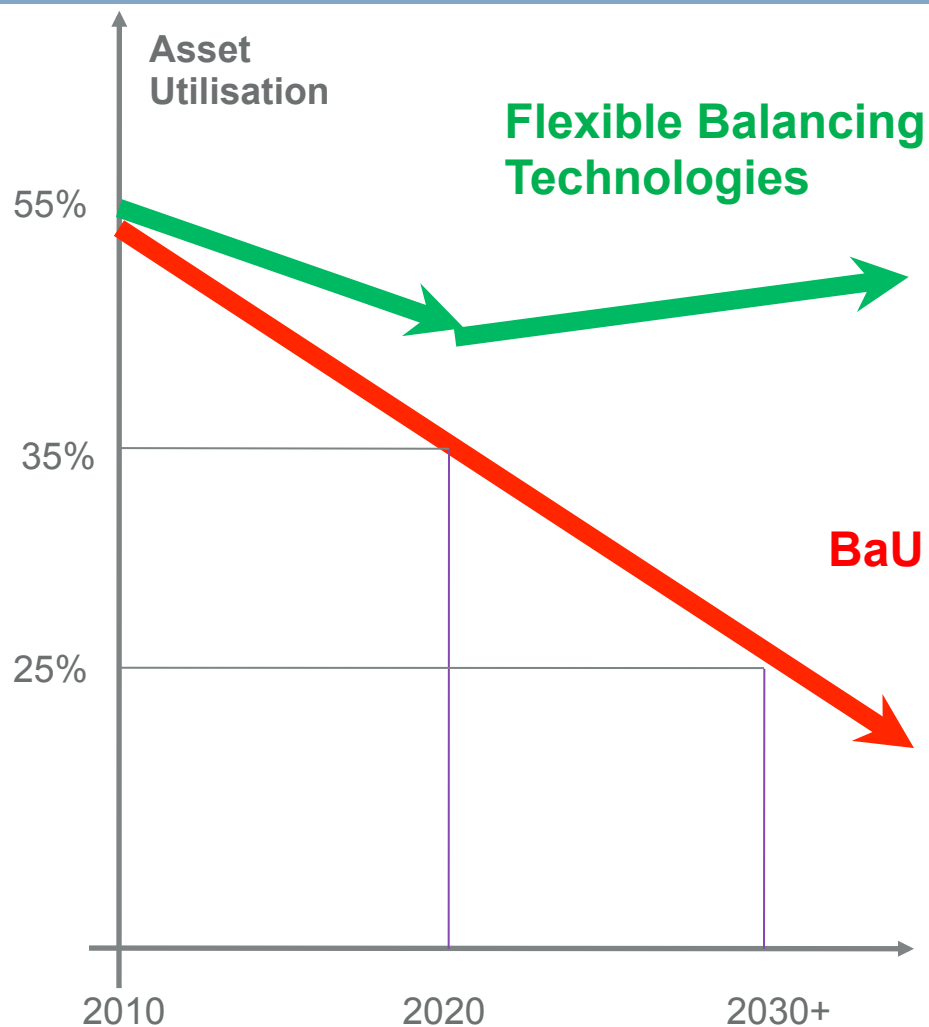
**2020:** Wind generation will displace energy produced by conventional plant but its ability to displace capacity will be limited: more than 35% of conventional generation operating at less than 10% load factor

**2030+:** Electrification of segments of transport and heat sectors: increase in peak demand disproportionately higher than increase in energy

Year	Utilisation
2010	55%
2020	35%
2030+	<25%



# Low carbon system integration challenge: degradation in asset utilization



**Volume of the market for flexible balancing technologies >£60b**

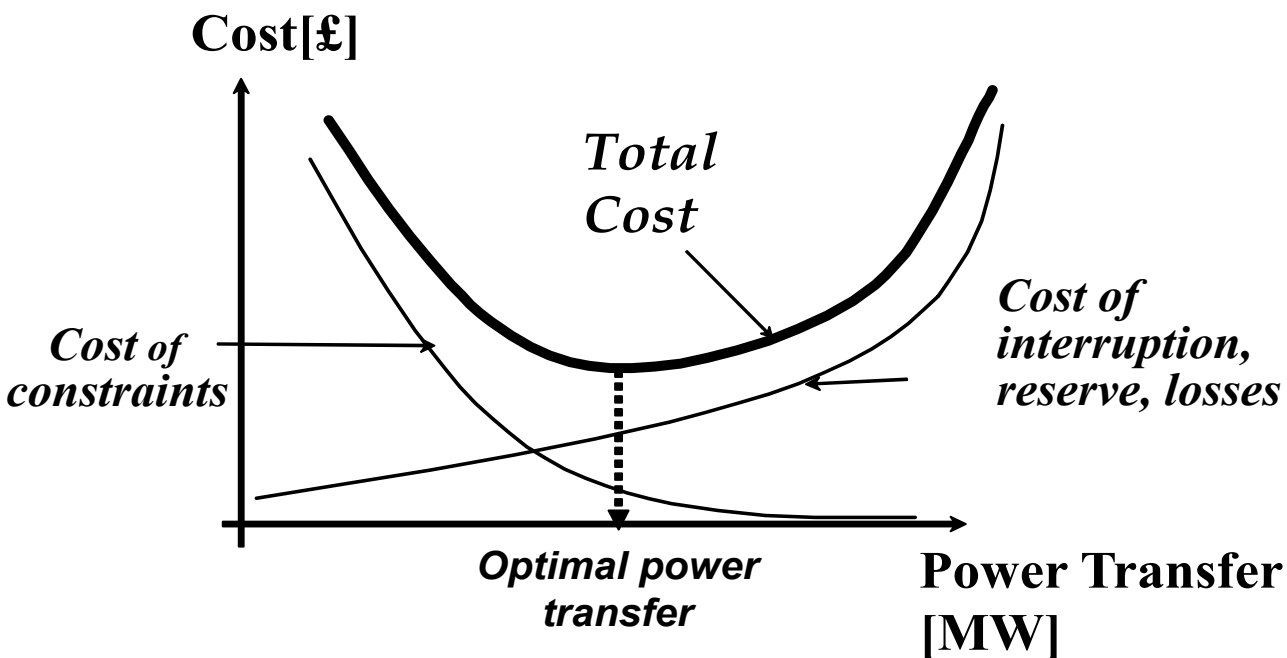
System integration costs in low carbon European system may exceed €500b

**Industry Business Model?**



# Reliability standards: Is the transmission network delivering good value for money to users?

- **Operation:** How much network capacity is released to network users? Are the costs and benefits balanced?
- **Investment:** Is the network investment efficient? Is the benefit of a network investment greater than the cost? But how do we measure this?



# Does the network deliver good value for money to network users?

- *How much network capacity is released to network users?*
- *What VoLL justifies the existing network security standards?*

Wind output	Fair Weather Condition	Adverse Weather Condition
5.5 GW	3,000,000 £/MWh	100,000 £/MWh
>7.5 GW	27,000,000 £/MWh	810,000 £/MWh

# Role of Ofgem to change? /1

- Discontinue performing role of “single buyer”?
  - » Independent design planning authority (or ISO) to establish a fully transparent CBA planning framework
- Focus on (1) coordination and (2) interests of existing and future consumers
  - (1) sharing risks in network investment between industry and consumers
  - (2) Design of joint consumer – merchant project (under development in the interconnection regime)

# Role of Ofgem to change? /2

- Facilitate stronger user involvement and choice in network planning and delivery
  - Users to assess the options for delivery of service needed based on performance and cost
  - Define minimum user commitment + future consumer commitment => green light for project
  - Interconnection in the EU context to be considered
  - Implications on market design
    - More locationally specific network charges
    - Keep open the option of introducing Locational Marginal Pricing

# Workshop programme

- *Dealing with conflicts of interest for parties undertaking transmission planning and delivery*
- *Regime interface for transmission related multi-purpose projects and co-existence of merchant and regulated assets.*
- *Criteria and prerequisites for adopting alternative regimes for planning and delivery*
- *Options for GB: (1) extend the onshore regime offshore and X-border (2) extend the offshore regime onshore and X border*

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