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# Maximising potential with hydropower hybridisation

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# Agenda

- 12.30 Welcome by moderator (speakers introduction and agenda)
- 12.33 Scene set up including
- 12.45 Case studies and discussion
- 13.15 Q&A with the audience chaired by moderator
- 13.30 Webinar ends





### **Speakers**



**Guillaume Amodeo**, Technical Business Developer, SuperGrid Institute



Quentin Boucher, Electricity Market Specialist, SuperGrid Institute



**Cecilia Correa Poseiro,** Energy Specialist, Inter-American Development Bank



Parveen Nanda, Executive Vice President, Greenko Group

#### Moderator



Matteo Bianciotto, Senior Policy Manager, International Hydropower Association

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### Guillaume Amodeo Technical Business Developer, SuperGrid Institute





### Who is SuperGrid Institute ?

# An independent **innovation** company





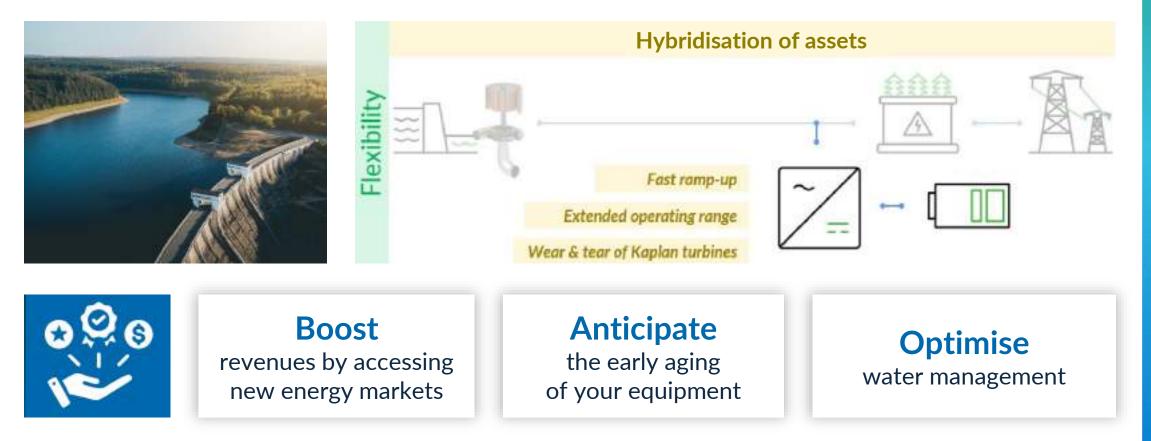
with dual expertise in hydraulic & power systems







# **Hydropower Hybridisation**









### Quentin Boucher Electricity Market Specialist, SuperGrid Institute





## Case study PSP design for an islanded grid





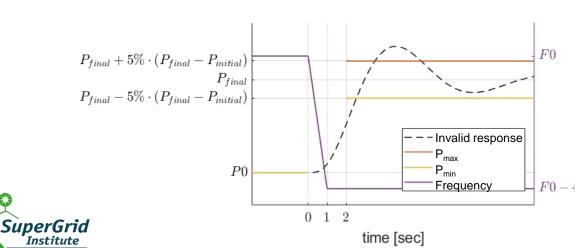


# **PSP design for the provision of Fast Frequency Response on an islanded grid**

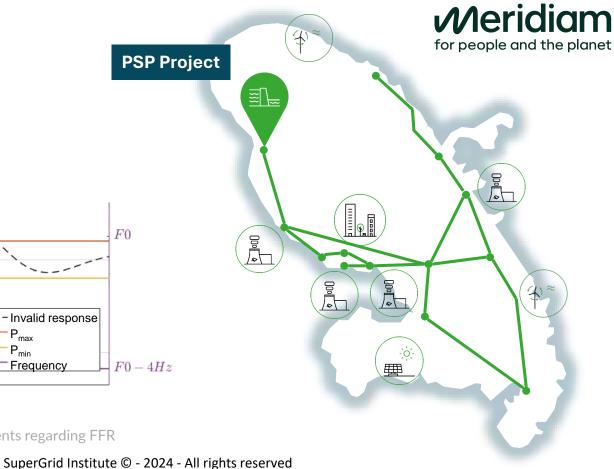
### Case study

Shaping power transmission

- PSP (7MW) on islanded network
- Island Grid Code requires 2 seconds response for participation in local Fast Frequency Response (FFR)



Local Grid Code requirements regarding FFR





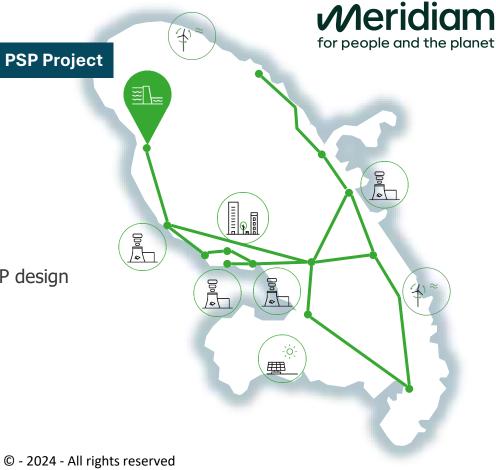
# **PSP design for an islanded grid**

### Case study

- PSP (7MW) on islanded network ٠
- Island Grid Code requires 2 seconds ٠ response for participation in local Fast Frequency Response (FFR)

#### **Objectives of the study:**

- Build a robust business model for the PSP in this context •
- Study different possibilities to provide FFR based on an existing PSP design ٠
- Size the systems to provide 2 MW FFR at minimal cost ٠





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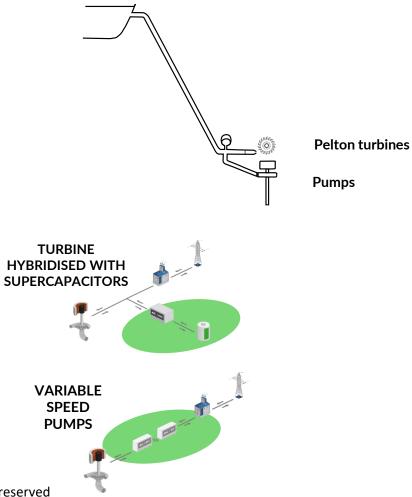


# **PSP design for an islanded grid**

#### **Client needs 2 MW FFR to ensure profitability** of the investment

#### **SuperGrid Institute's design provided 2 MW FFR:**

- Simultaneous use of pumps and turbine Hydraulic Short Circuit
- 800 kW FFR through hybridisation of the Pelton turbine with supercapacitors.
  - Sizing of the supercapacitors minimising costs.
- 1200 kW FFR through Variable Speed operation of the pumps
  - Use of existing equipment to minimise costs
  - Slight repowering of the pumps to provide sufficient regulation band



Upper reservoir





### **PSP design for an islanded grid** STUDIES PERFORMED TO PROVIDE FER IN TURBINE MODE

# Transient operation of Pelton units are not suitable for FFR provision

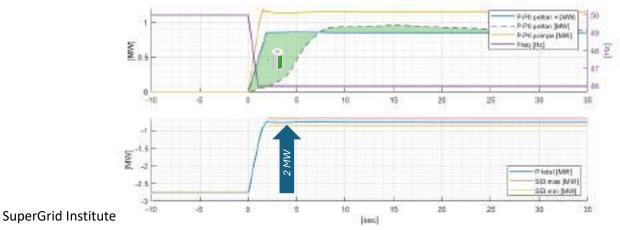
#### **Control by a dedicated EMS (Energy Management System)**

- Our EMS saves 30% on booster energy
- Optimal trajectories based on digital twin uses

#### We sized the booster and pre-calibrated the supercapacitors

#### **Profitable business model for the project:**

- Production shift
- System service provision







### 0-100% hybrid Pelton unit in Finland







# 2x 5MW Pelton unit in Finland in 2022

Pelton 0-100% technology benchmark

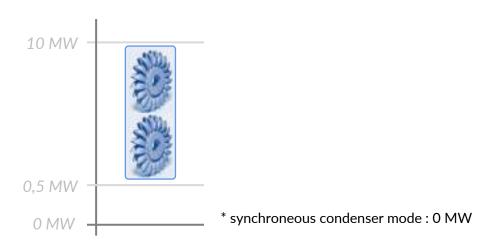
#### Existing asset "Business as usual"

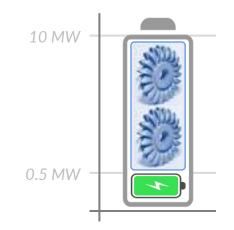
- 2 Pelton units of 5 MW
- Turbine mode
  - Minimum power : 0.5 MW\*
  - Maximum power : 5 MW
- 1+ week's worth of water storage

#### **Optimised asset "PELTON 0-100%"**

Hybridisation with a Li-ion battery

- Investment ~ 1 M€
- Max power ~ 600 kW
- Turbine mode
  - Minimum power : 0 MW
  - Maximum power : 10 MW
- Coordinated control involving Pelton units and battery energy storage system



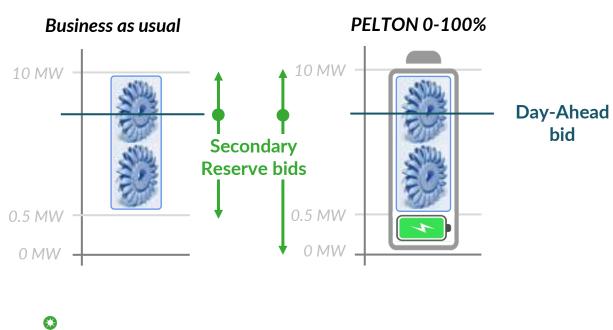






# Placement difference for 0-100% technology in 2022 in Finland

#### HIGH PRICE ON DAY-AHEAD MARKET









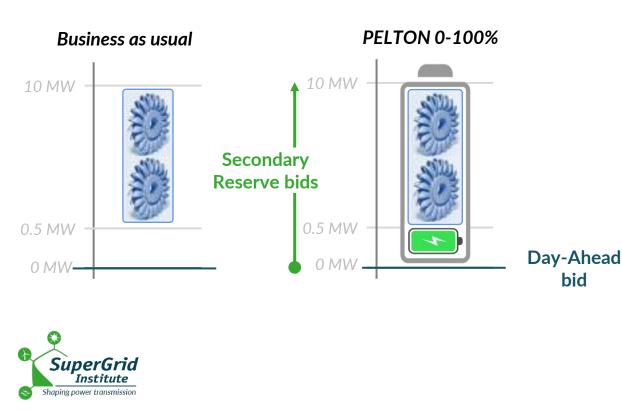
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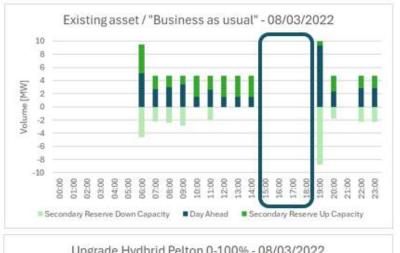


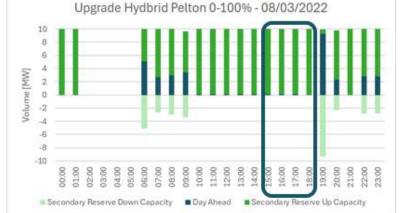
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# Placement difference for 0-100% technology in 2022 in Finland

#### LOW PRICE ON DAY-AHEAD MARKET





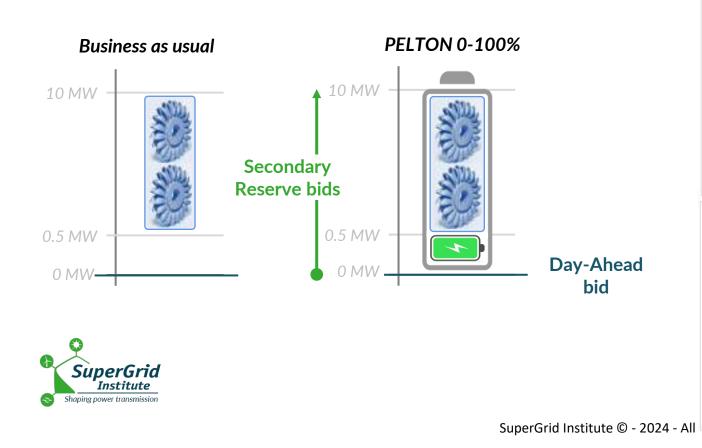


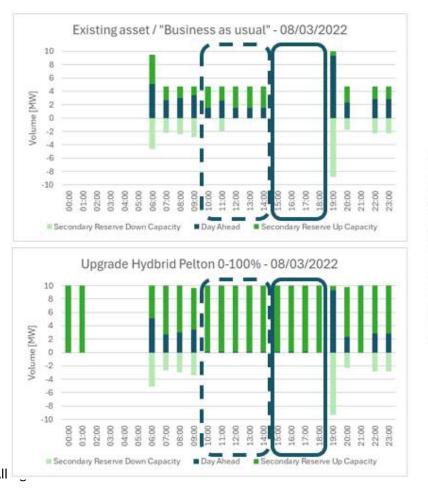
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# Placement difference for 0-100% technology in 2022 in Finland

#### LOW PRICE ON DAY-AHEAD MARKET





Hourly placement simulation resul





### Pelton 0-100%: what's in it for you ?







### Cecilia Correa Poseiro Energy Specialist, Inter-American Development Bank



### Salto Grande Hydropower Complex

Case study: hybridization to optimize the plant's operation and reduce equipment wear

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### SALTO GRANDE HYDROPOWER COMPLEX

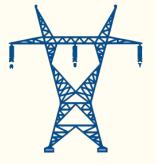
First binational project in the region (50% Argentina and 50% Uruguay)

First unit started operation 45 years ago



#### Generation

1.890 MW 14 Kaplan turbines 25,4 m nominal head ~8600 GWh/year



#### **Transmission and interconnection** 345 km of 500kV lines 4 substations Strategic position 2000 MVA interconnection capacity



### Environmental & Social commitment

Water management Flood management Integration of countries Regional development



**Reservoir** 783 km<sup>2</sup> 140 km length 5.500 hm<sup>3</sup> total volume



Analysis to include storage technologies to reduce wear on guide vanes and runner blades angle actuators.



**Consultants: SuperGrid Institute, CNR and Clerk** 

#### More variable renewables integration

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Need for more flexibility

#### Increase importance of hydros for storage and flexibility but:

- More stresses and exposure to wear
- Power reserve for auxiliary services and affected operating points



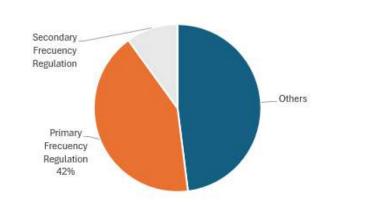
#### **ENERGY STORAGE** to increase system flexibility & optimize use of existing hydropower plants





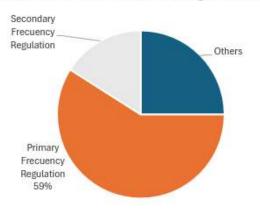
### **Justification and Scope of the Study**

- Salto Grande is one of the main frequency regulators in the system, which has a high share of variable renewable energy.
- Primary frequency regulation is the main use of the actuators.
- How is frequency regulation performed in Salto Grande? double regulation: runner blade opening angle and the guide vanes.
- Objective of the study: To reduce actuator movement due to primary frequency regulation.
- Technologies analyzed: Lithium-ion batteries and unidirectional hydrogen.



Movement of guide vanes actuators

Movement of runner blades angle actuators



## **Technologies analyzed**

#### **Lithium-ion Batteries:**

- Characterized by power and energy
- Respond to both high and low demands
- Hydraulic system challenge: Ensure the battery's state of charge is within an acceptable range and acting as much as possible
- Sizing approach: Optimal balance between power and energy to reduce actuator movement

#### Electrolyzer – Hydrogen production (H2):

- Characterized by power (assuming no limitation on H2 storage)
- Only responds to excess energy (energy consumption and associated H2 production)
- Hydraulic system challenge: Operate above the control band while the electrolyzer consumes energy
- Sizing approach: Optimal power to reduce actuator movement



Source: Consulting report RG-T2923-P007 conducted by SuperGrid Institute, CNR, and Clerk.

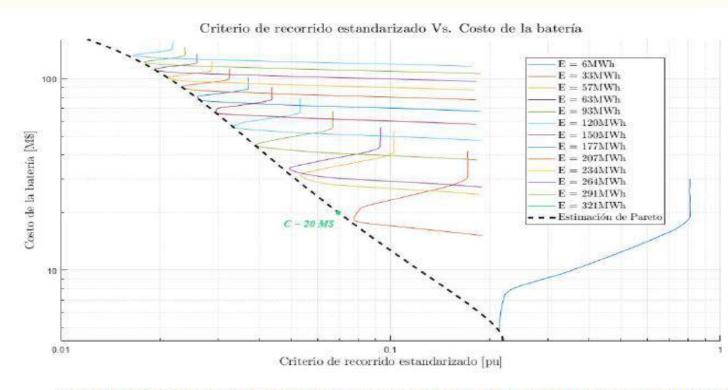
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### Lithium-ion batteries:

Simulation: 942 pairs [Power-Energy] considered, and 156 pairs selected between [17 MW - 6 MWh] and [346 MW - 321 MWh].

For a given reduction for actuator movement, there is an optimal Power/Energy pair.

Reduction in actuator movement due to primary frequency regulation between 90% and 99%



<sup>:</sup> Frente de Pareto de la reducción del recorrido de los actuadores en la regulación primaria mediante una batería de Li-ion

#### Source: Consulting report RG-T2923-P007 conducted by SuperGrid Institute, CNR, and Clerk.

#### Example:

•Reduction: 93% reduction in actuator movement related to primary regulation (normalized movement criterion to 0.07)

•**Battery:** Estimated cost of around US\$ 20 million; Energy (E) = 41 MWh; Power (P) = 55 MW



## Hydrogen Electrolyzer

Reduction in actuator movement due to primary frequency regulation between 60% and 99.5%

#### Simulations with Different Sizes of Electrolyzers:

• Nominal capacities ranging from 10 MW to 300 MW

#### **Evaluation of:**

- Cost of the electrolyzer
- Water consumption
- Energy consumption
- H2 production

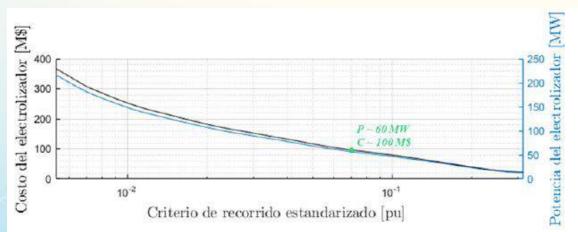
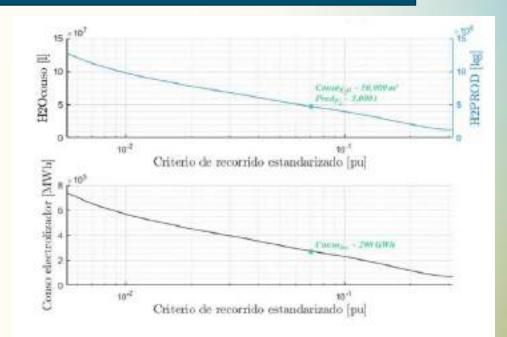


Figura 50: Tamaños de los electrolizadores investigados y resultado en el criterio de recorrido



#### Example:

Figuro 51: Producción y consumo de electrolizadores durante el periodo de estudio

•**Reduction:** 93% reduction in actuator movement related to primary regulation (normalized movement criterion to 0.07)

•Electrolized: Estimated cost=US\$ 100 million; Power (P) = 60 MW; Energy Consumption~ 26GWh/month (~4% of Salto Grande generation); 450 ton/month of H2





#### Main conclusions:

- The participation of primary frequency regulation in actuator movement is significant.
- Both alternatives (batteries and electrolyzers) are feasible for significantly reducing actuator movement. These values might even be underestimated due to the data considered.
- It is necessary to evaluate the economic benefits associated with reducing actuator movement to assess the project's economic feasibility.
- For hydrogen, it is essential to evaluate:
  - The local market for green hydrogen and price prospects
  - The interest of countries in affecting the electrical production of the Salto Grande Hydroelectric Complex



## Thank you

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#### Integrated Renewable Energy & Storage Projects (IRESP)

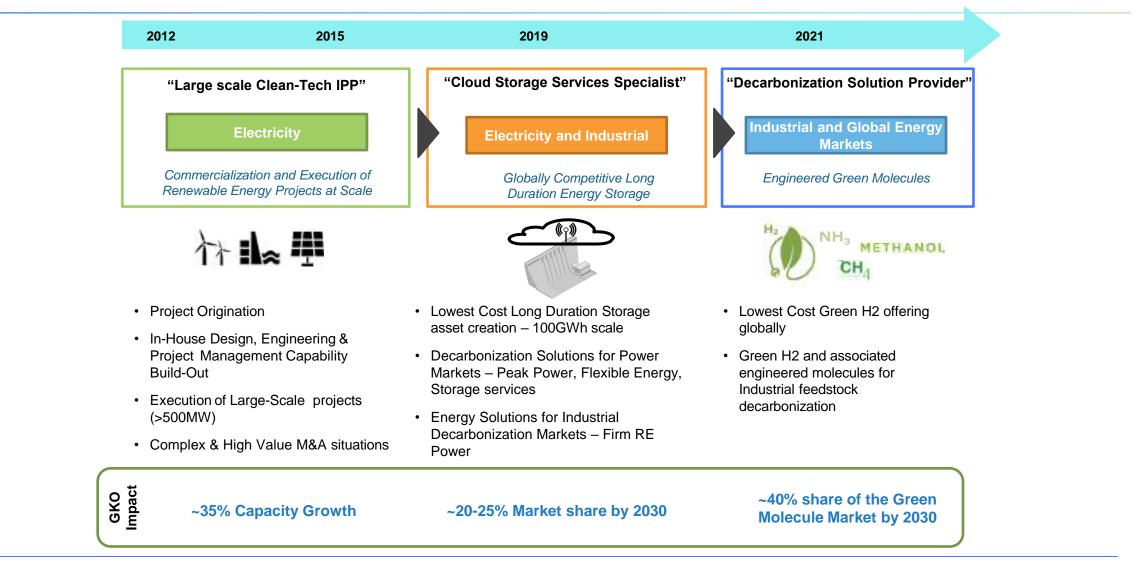
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# Greenko at a Glance

#### Greenko decarbonization Strategy

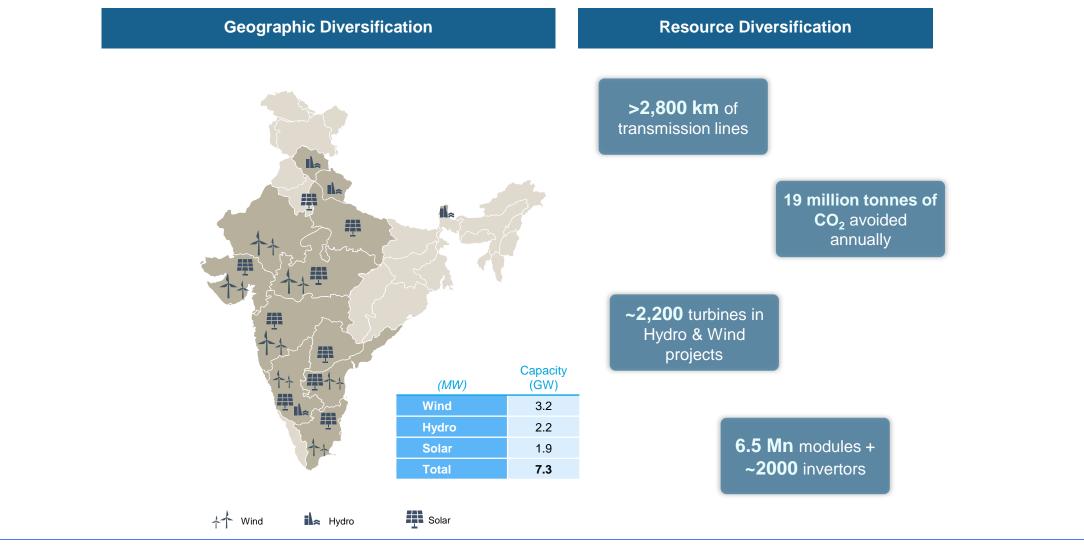
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#### Greenko Group: Asset Base Overview

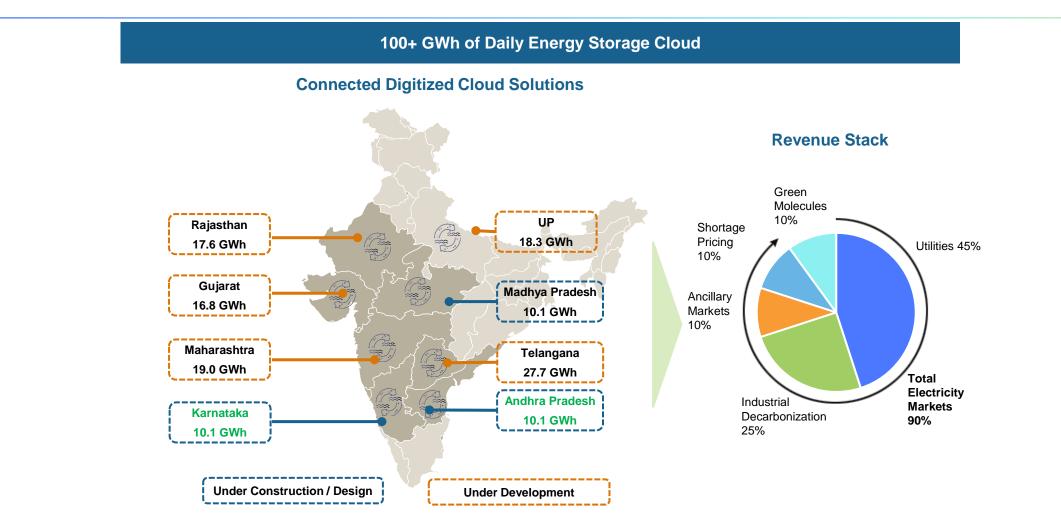
**Diversified portfolio of Assets** 





#### High Value-High Barrier Asset Creation Ethos

Building World's Largest Energy Cloud







### IRESP- Greenko

#### **Andhra Pradesh IRESP: Layout**

#### Project details and illustrative site layout (Andhra Pradesh)

#### Location

1680 MW PSP in near Kurnool, Andhra Pradesh

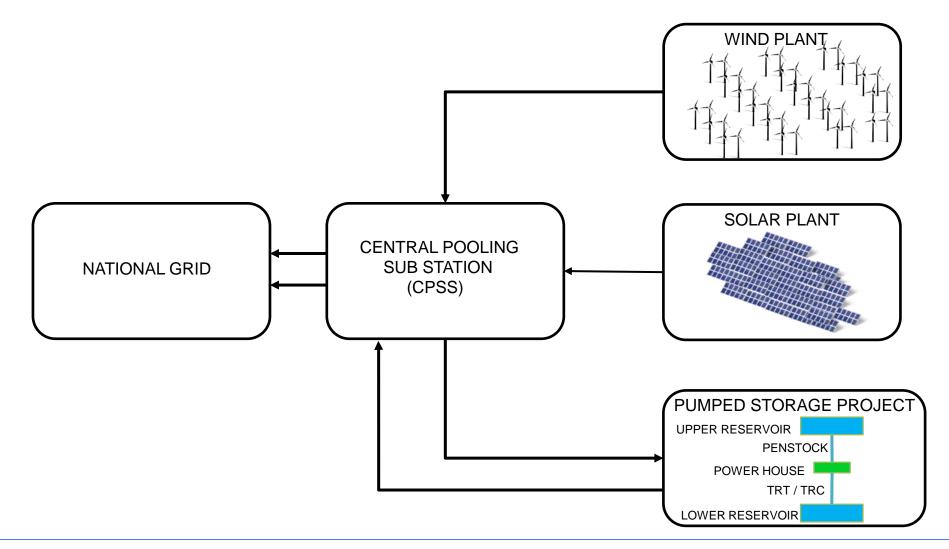
### Details for RTC project

- Solar + Wind: 3000+ 550MW
- Storage: 1680 MW
- Key Features:
  - Caters to all 4 product offerings
  - Commissioning by end of 2024



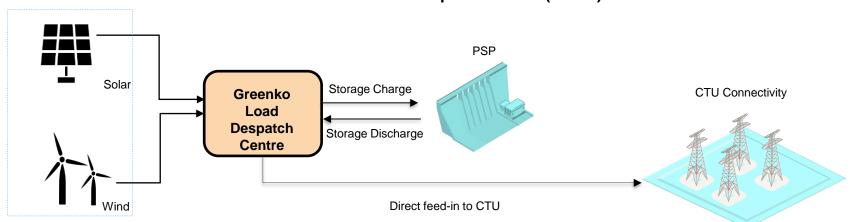


#### SCHEMATIC ARRANGEMENT OF IREP





#### GKO 3.0 – Greenko Load Dispatch Centre Intelligent Energy Platform



Greenko Load Dispatch Center (GLDC)

Greenko Load Dispatch Centre (GLDC) to be modelled on control architecture of regional and state load dispatch centers (SLDCs) which manage national grid infrastructure

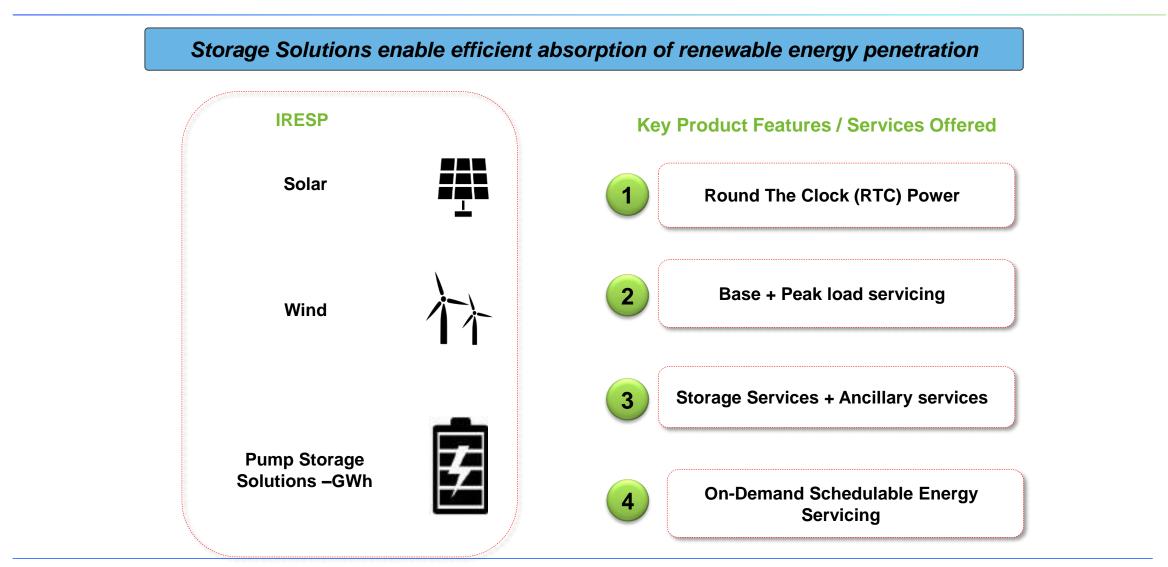
• Energy generation from Solar, Wind and appropriate charging/discharging of PSP to be regulated as per PPA commitments

GLDC

- Would consist of physical energy management, energy regulation, voltage management equipment along with SCADA based control software
- Functions as the intelligent energy platform overlaying the core physical asset infrastructure and controls the energy flow system
- Energy load modeling and system analysis of GLDC is being carried out by PRDC based on which equipment to be procured from the likes of ABB / GE / Siemens along with software layer to ensure effective integration of multiple systems



### Integrated Renewable Energy with Storage Project (IRESP) - Overview







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