

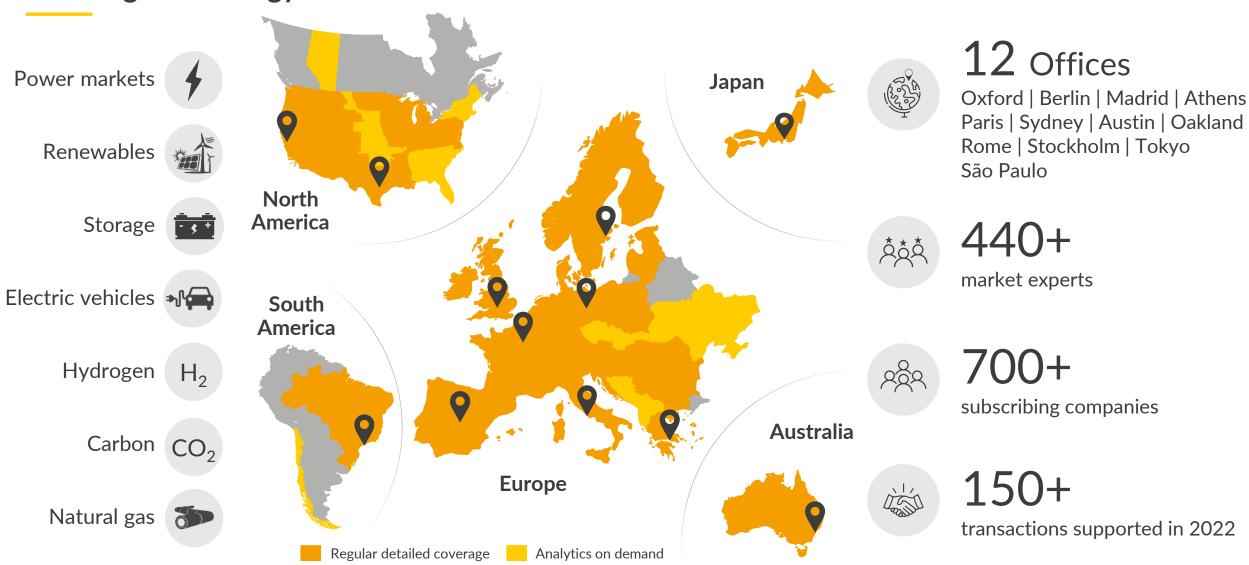
# Swiss Power Market: Key Trends and Challenges

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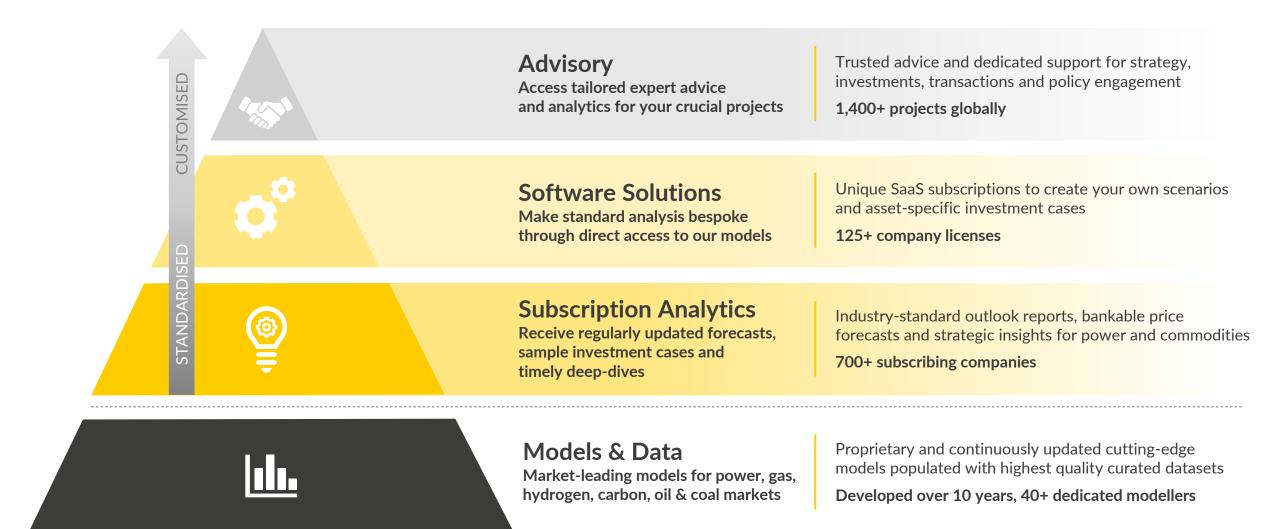
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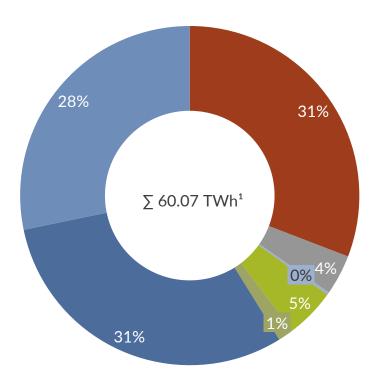
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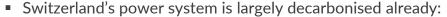
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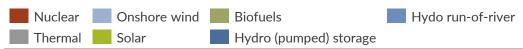
### Swiss power generation mix in 2021

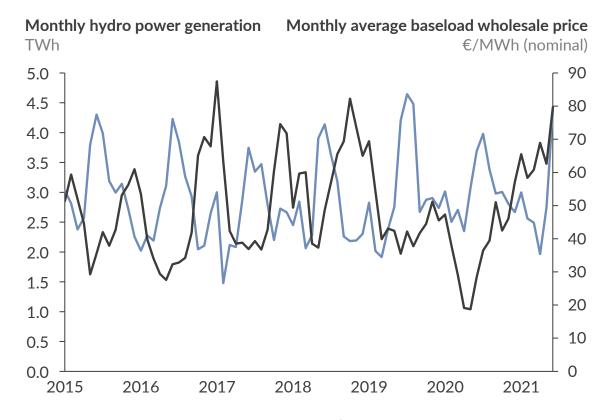
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- With a 59% share, hydro is the most important generation technology.
- While solar plays a minor role, nuclear contributed 31% to the power mix.





- Strong hydro reliance exposes Switzerland's power system to seasonal volatility:
  - Hydro generation in winter is on average 33% lower than in summer.
  - System tightness induces upward pressure on baseload prices which are on average 48% higher in winter compared to summer.

<sup>—</sup> Monthly hydro generation — Average monthly baseload price

<sup>1)</sup> Net generation excluding storage pump consumption

# Key challenges for the Swiss power market include decarbonisation, system flexibility, security of supply and sector-coupling



### Decarbonisation



How can the 2050 Net Zero target be achieved?

- Excluding hydro, RES¹ generation shall be increased by 42 TWh by 2050², with the largest capacity increase expected for solar PV. What role will subsidies play to achieve this goal?
- What are the prospects for merchant solar buildout?
- How strongly will power prices be affected by renewables buildout?

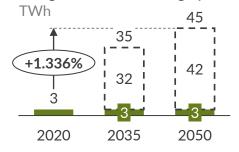
## Security of supply



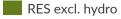
How can a stable power supply be ensured without increasing dependence on imports?

- In 2011, the gradual phase-out of nuclear power was decided. How can this goal be achieved while maintaining a stable supply?
- How can net imports of electricity in the winter half-year be limited to 5 TWh<sup>4</sup> without nuclear generation?

### **RES** generation excluding hydro



Perliminary target RES excl. hydro<sup>3</sup>



## System flexibility

What measures can be taken to drive the flexibilisation of a power system increasingly relying on intermittent energy sources?

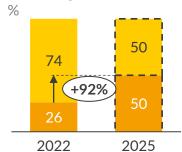
- What challenges and opportunities does hydro-driven power generation pose to system flexibility?
- What role will batteries play to ensure short-term flexibility?
- Could electrolyser buildout play a role in the Swiss power system to provide seasonal flexibility?

## Sector-coupling and power demand

To what degree will other sectors be coupled with the power sector, and how will this affect the power market?

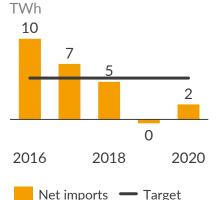
- From 2025 onwards, 50% of newly registered vehicles should be (partially) electricity-driven. How will this impact power demand?
- How much power demand will heat pumps add to the system?
- What implications will the Hydrogen Roadmap 2050<sup>5</sup> have for the power sector?

### Newly registered cars



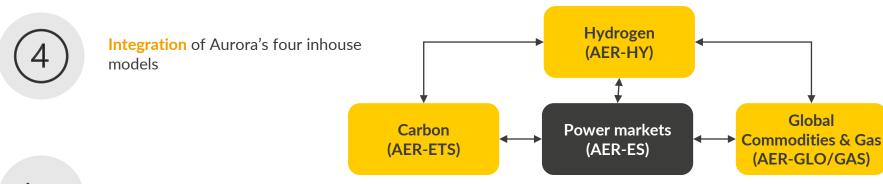






1) RES = Renewable energy sources2) Targets for 2050: 39.2 TWh Hydro, 45 TWh other RES. 3) Targets set by the Council of States in discussion on the Federal Act on a Secure Electricity Supply with Renewable Energies. 4) Non-binding target proposed by the Council of States in discussion on the Federal Act on a Secure Electricity Supply with Renewable Energies. 5) The Hydrogen-Roadmap 2050 currently being developed by the Bundesamt für Energie

# Aurora's unique, proprietary, in-house modelling capabilities allow to assess challenges for the Swiss power market in a holistic manner



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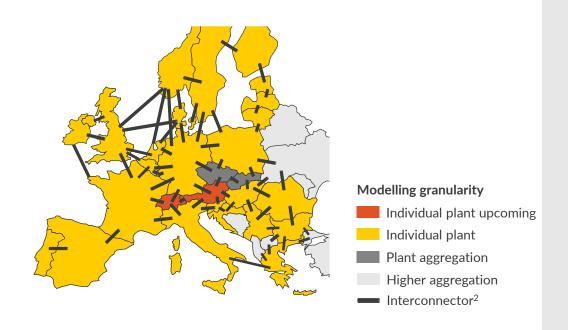
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**Interdependence** of prices and capacities in different regions



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- Ability to model complex policy changes quickly
- Taking into consideration Europe wide developments through cross-border market modelling

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<sup>1)</sup> Gas, coal, oil and carbon prices fundamentally modelled in-house with fully Integrated commodities and gas market model, 2) Sizes and lengths of interconnectors are for visual representation only, Illustrative and are not to scale

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