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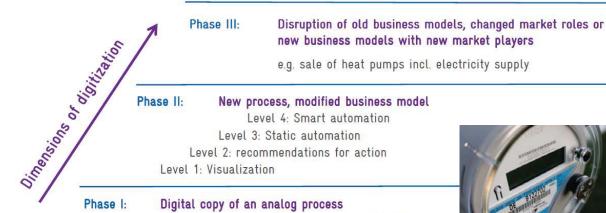


Role of digitalization in the development of energy co-operation & integration of energy networks

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#### Smart Metering, Blockchain, Internet of Things, Big Data, Artificial Intelligence, Robotics: Digitization changes all areas







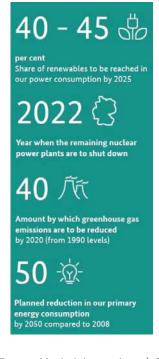
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e.g. sending invoices by email instead of mail

## The Energy Transition Targets in Germany - Digitization helps manage the requirements, handle complexity and reduce costs

+ 65 % RES by 2030

+ Withdrawal of coal fired power plants by 2038?



>> NEW CHALLENGES

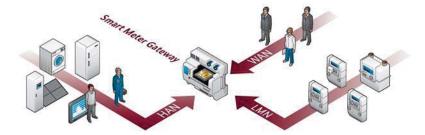
- Expansion of electricity generation from renewable energies (RES)
- Larger share of RES generation comes from decentralised installations
- Expansion of supra-regional transmission grids and of distribution networks
- Increasing the flexibility of energy demand (demand side management) as well as of conventional power plants
- Improving the balance between energy supply and demand
- Realizing energy efficiency potentials
- Introduction of Smart Meters

Picture: BMWi

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# German Act on the Digitization of the Energy Transition: New regulation for metering system operation & Smart Meter Rollout

- Issued in September 2016
- By 2032, consumers, local power generation and grid loads must be equipped with metering systems that meet certain minimum technical requirements > architecture for Smart Meter Gateways defined by BSI:



• Smart metering: Measured data can be sent automatically via a communication network and need not be read on site. This includes measured data from house connections, appliances, electric vehicles, and much more.

Picture: BSI (Federal Office for Information Security)

## Digitization provides INFORMATION which is essential to intensify the expansion of local energy production & storage



PV magazine: "Only just under 1/3 of rippel control works."

Important to keep energy market free of distortions: The network operator indicates a need for reduction (asking for grid service), but must not switch itself.

- Today network operators don't have detailed informations about their grid users and there is a lack of real time data especially of
  - smaller solar installations, battery storages etc.
  - consumers (Germany: 50 million consumption points are measured only once a year)
  - larger loads such as e-vehicles and e-heating systems
- as far as used, ripple control allows only lump-sum reduction of renewable feed-in
- Smart meter gateway > detailed generation & consumption data and if necessary in real-time
  - better forecasts can reduce volume of interventions
  - realization of feed-in management could be measured
  - less waste of RES generation due to incorrectly valuated shutdowns

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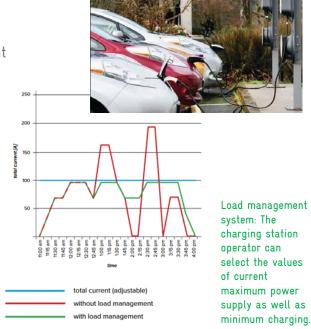
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Avoid intervention in the market,

# Digitization enables REACTION which is essential to integrate E-Mobility in electricity distribution networks

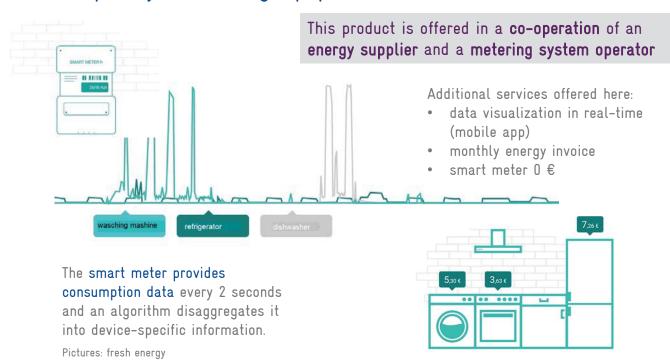
#### Charging of electric vehicles

- No action > risking a supply interruption
- Integration > choosing between huge investment in the expansion of distribution network or manage upcoming congestions through using grid services like intelligent load management
- LOAD MANAGEMENT: Reduction of peak loads, load shifting to no critical network situations, incentivise demand side management or installation and usage of storage
- Smart Meter Gateway > Information hub for real-time data and execution of the requested network service



Pictures: Seattle DOT, www.chargeupyourday.com

## Digitization facilitates OPTIMISATION for consumers by reducing complexity, monitoring equipment and additional services



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