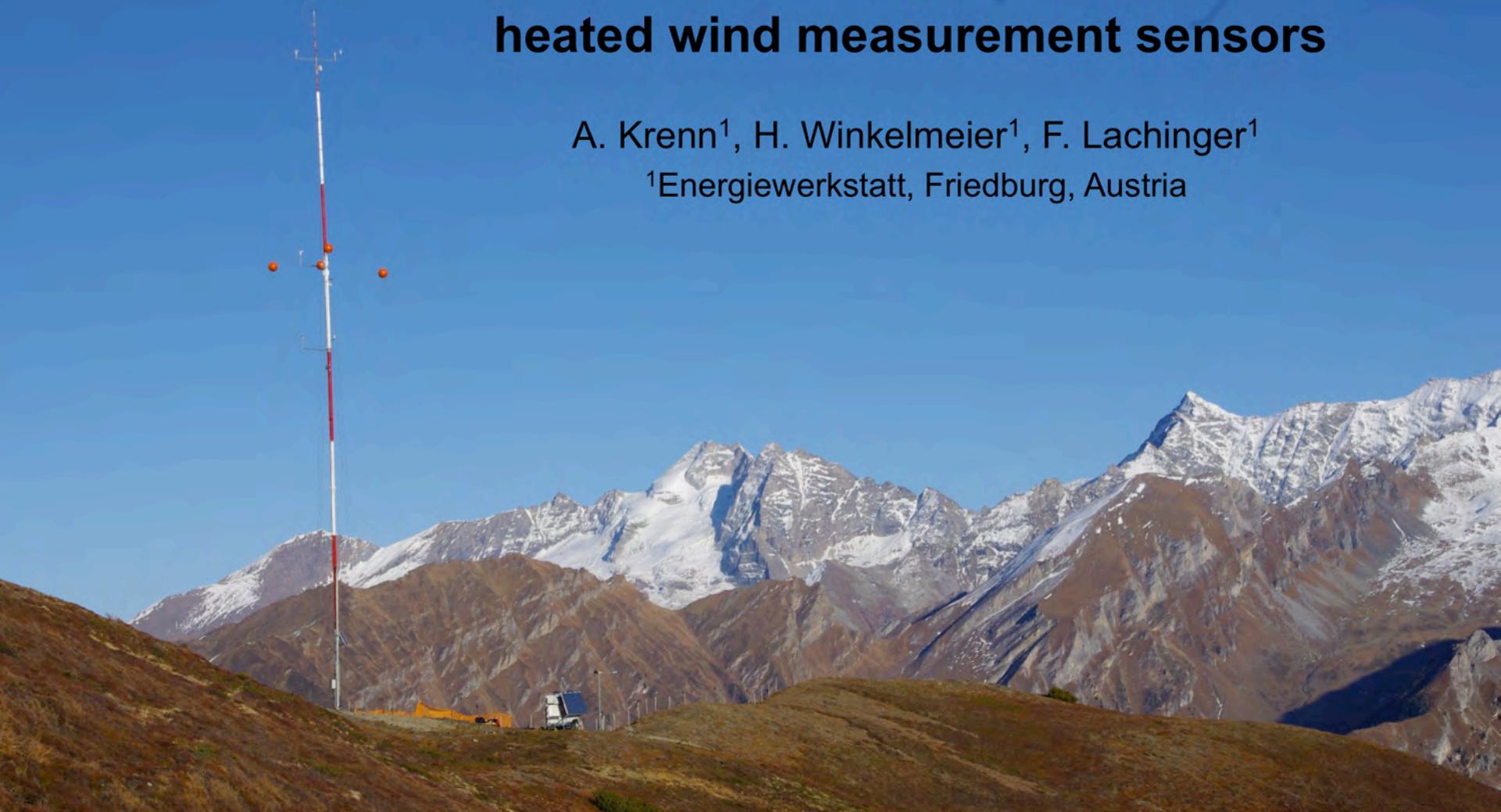


# Intelligent load control for heated wind measurement sensors

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# Company Profile

## Wind Energy

- Wind Measurement
- Project Development
- Planning & Implementation
- Training and Education
- Research & Demonstration



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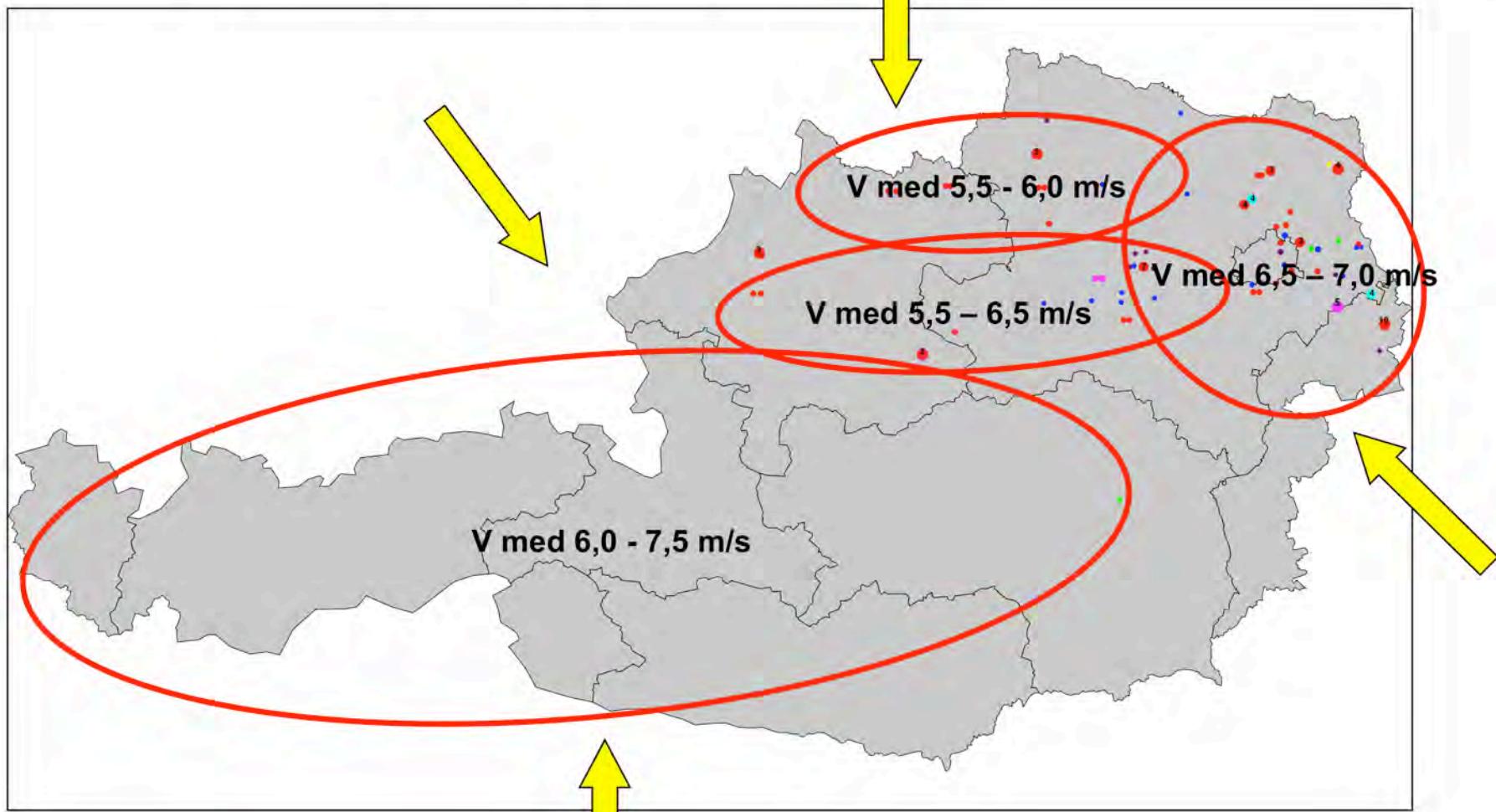
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- 650 Wind turbines
- 1.084 MW installed power
- 2,39 TWh electricity generation per year
- 3,6 % of Austrian electricity demand

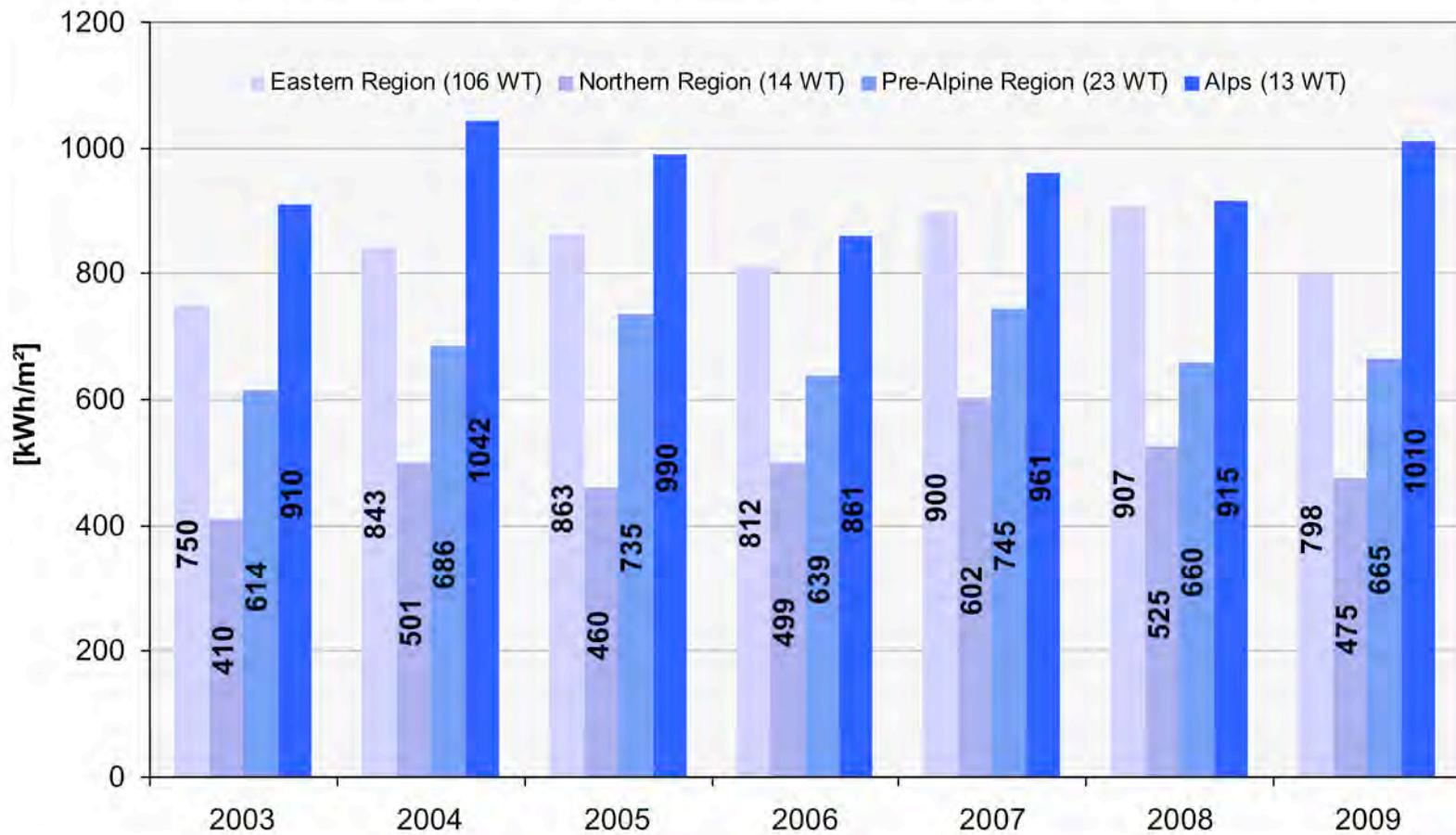


# Wind conditions in Austria



# Specific wind energy production in Austria

Specific wind energy production in different regions of Austria



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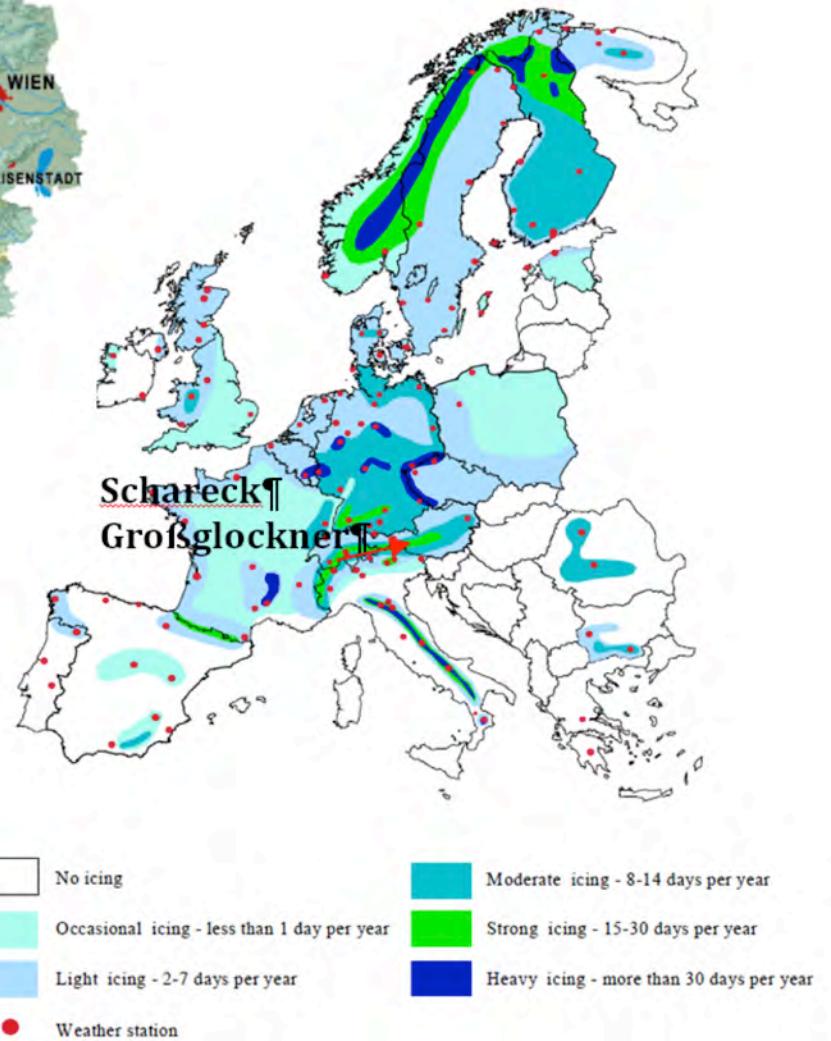
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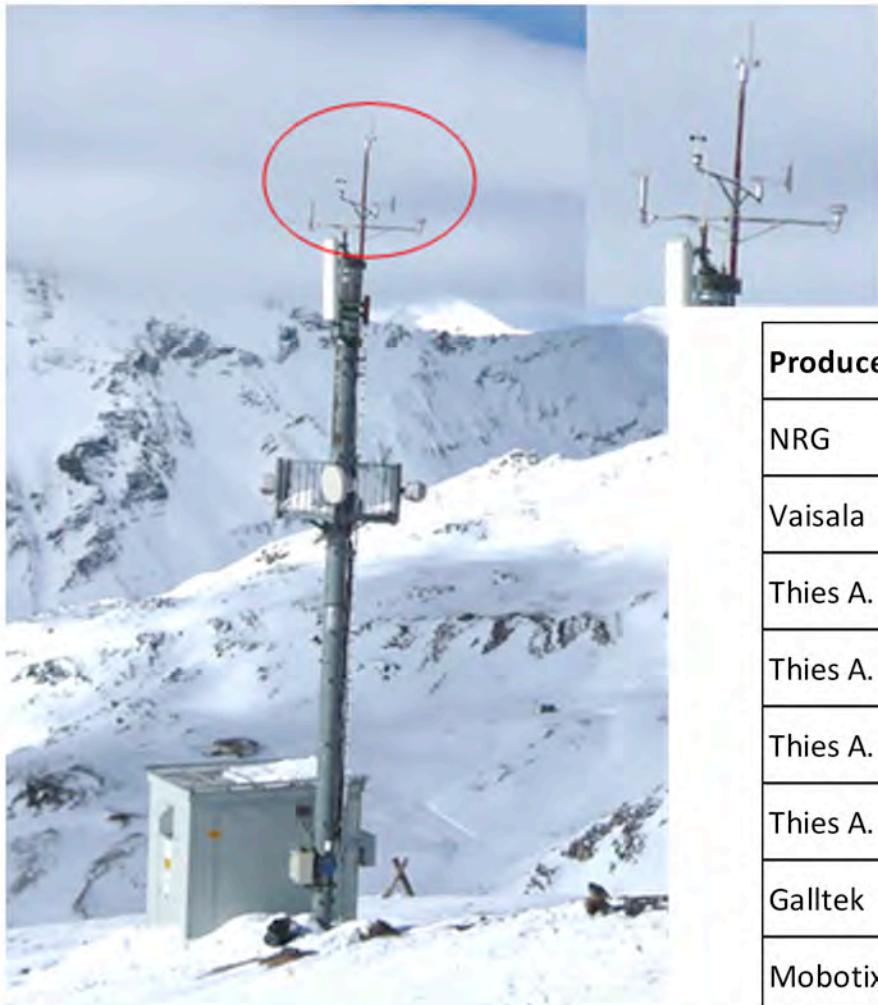
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# Test Rig Schareck



# Measurement setup

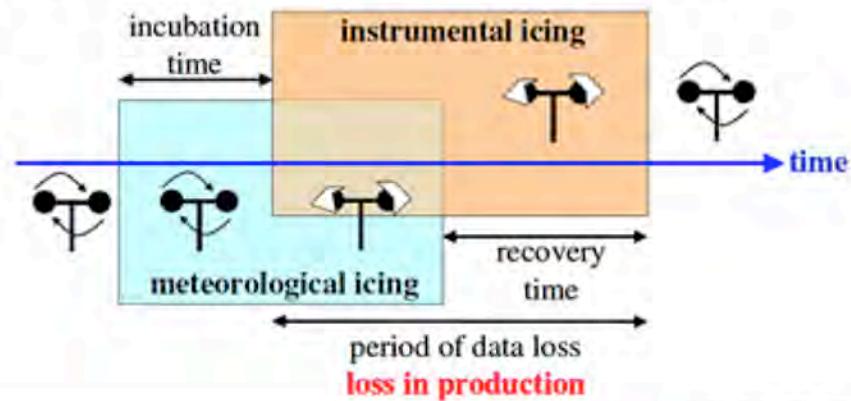


Producer	Type	Operating mode	Power [W]
NRG	Ice Free 3	Heated cup anemometer	96 W
Vaisala	WAA252	Heated cup anemometer	72 W
Thies A.	2D	Heated 2D Ultrasonic	310 W
Thies A.	2D Compact	Heated 2D Ultrasonic compact	250 W
Thies A.	Classic	Unheated cup anemometer	-----
Thies A.	Classic	Wind vane	25 W
Galltek	P63-12	Combined Thermo-/Hygrosensor	-----
Mobotix	M12 Dual Night	Webcam with infrared spotlight	-----

# Data evaluation

Comparison of five different scenarios rsp. icing periods:

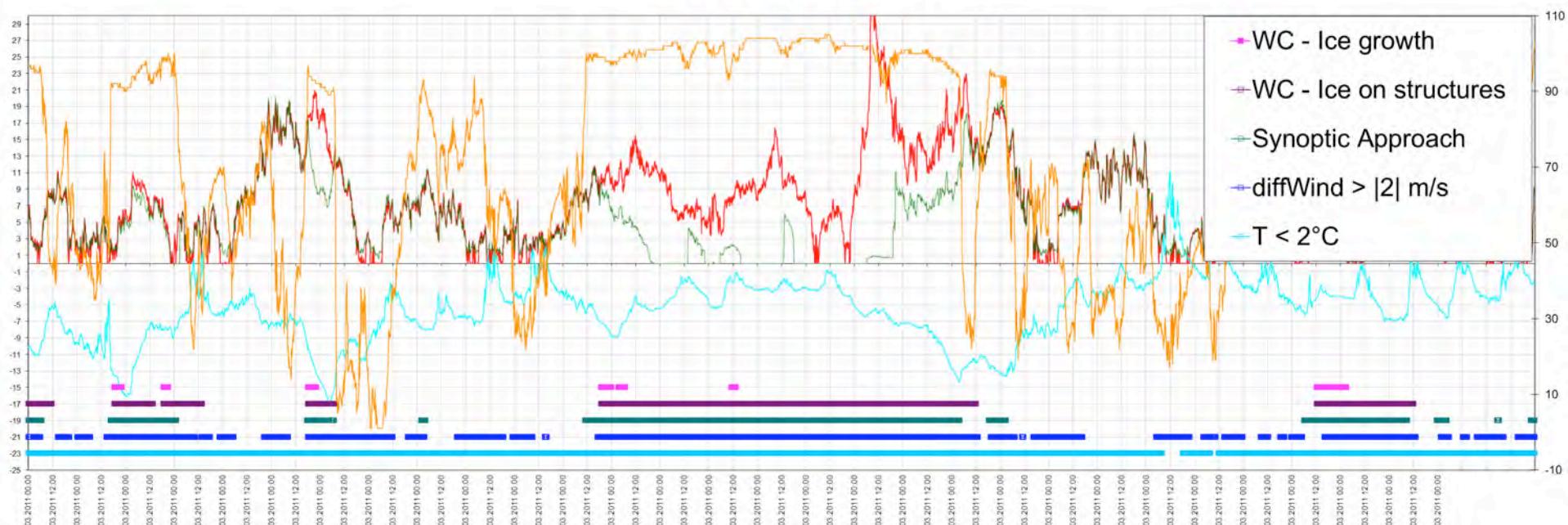
- Actual meteorological icing periods based on webcam evaluations
- Actual instrumental icing periods based on webcam evaluations
- Estimated icing periods according to synoptic considerations
- Estimated icing periods according to comparison of heated and unheated anemometers
- Estimated icing periods according to standard algorithms of heated wind measurement sensors



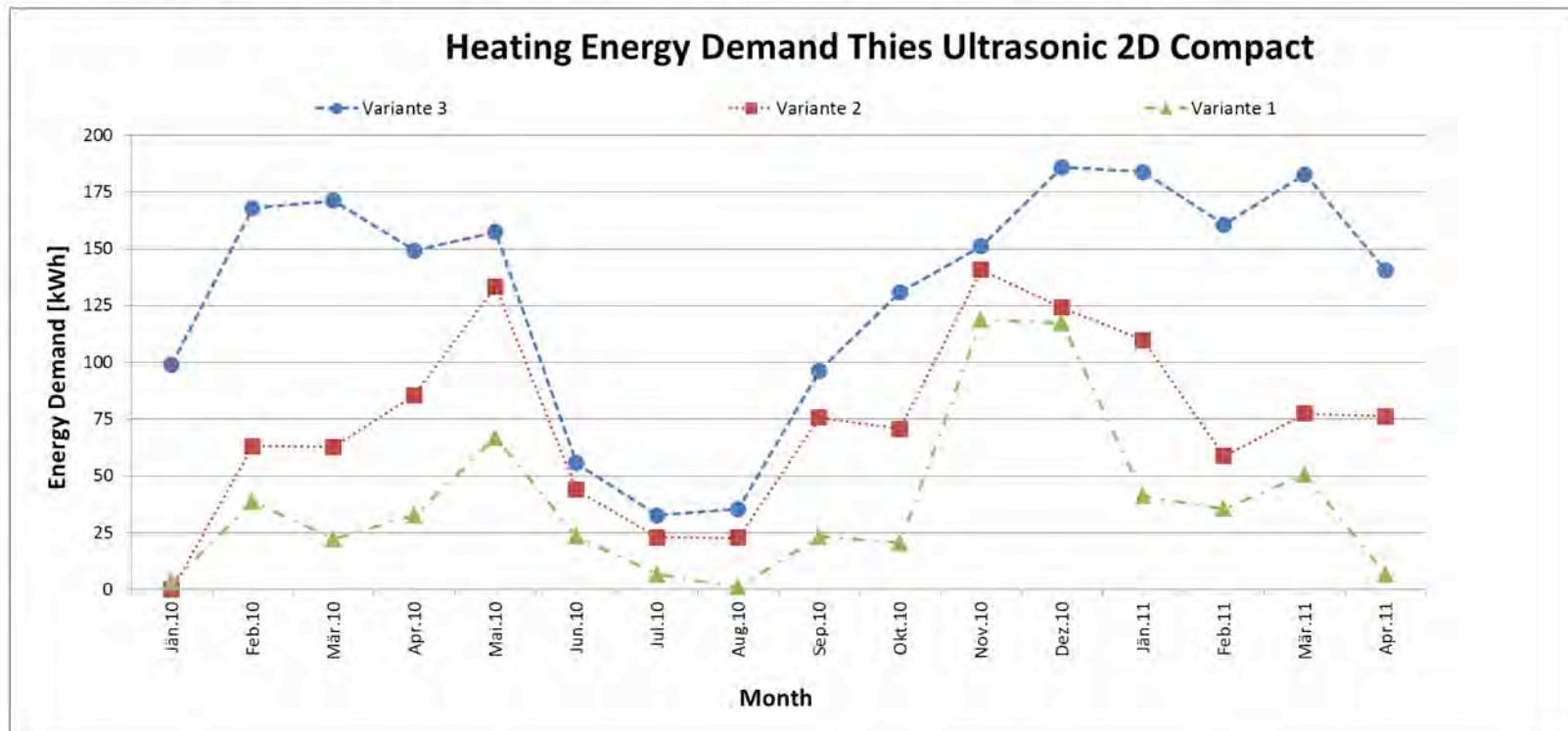
### Evaluation January 2011



Evaluation March 2011



# Resulting Energy Demand



Scenario	Solution regarding heating control	Used settings	Energy Consumption
1	Standard sensor algorithm	$\leq 2^\circ\text{C}$	100%
2	Comparison heated/unheated sensor	$\Delta v_{med} > 2 \text{ m/s}$	29%
3	Relative humidity und temperature	$\geq 90\% ; \leq 1^\circ\text{C}$	55%

# Considerations regarding heating demand

- Theoretically, heating of wind measurement sensors is only necessary during meteorological icing periods
- In case of external power supply units
  - Which energy consumption do we have?
  - How much energy is available?
  - Which data availability do I want to achieve?
- Importance of an advanced load control management
- Possible approaches:
  - Info from webcam, difference betw. heated and unh. sensor not available
  - Synoptic considerations (equivalent to meteorological icing)
    - Overestimation of icing periods, but still ~ 50% saving of energy
  - In future - ice detector: current obstacles (350 W heating demand, costs)

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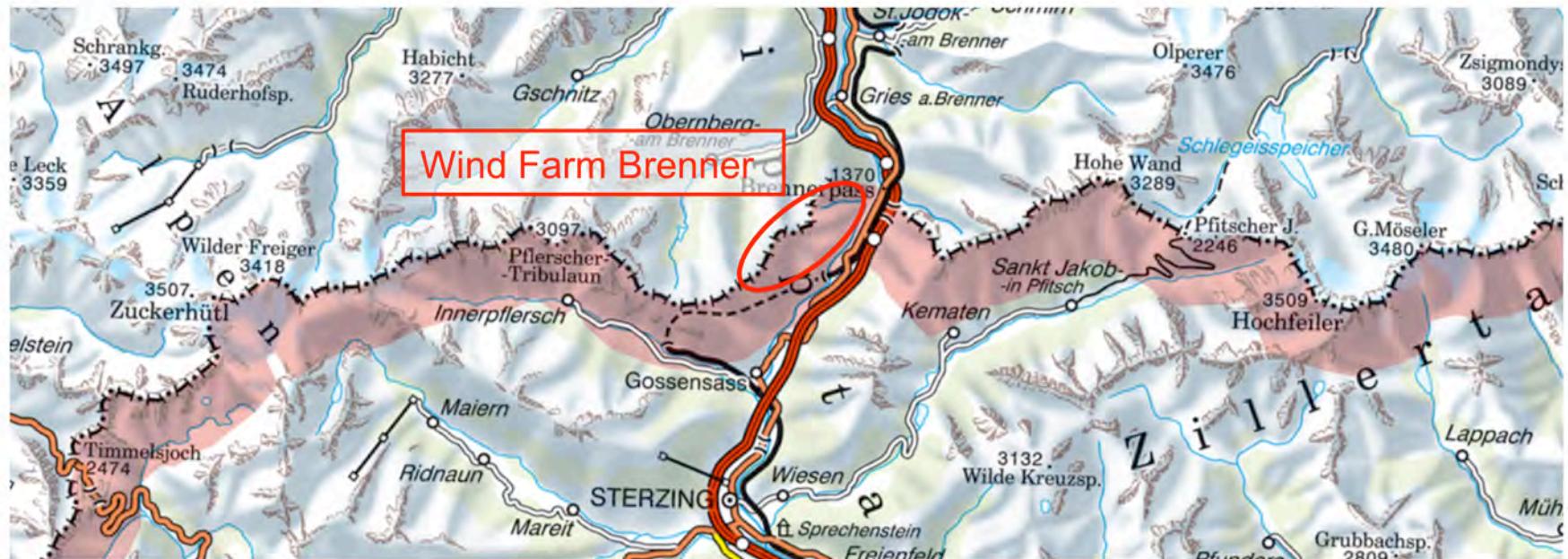
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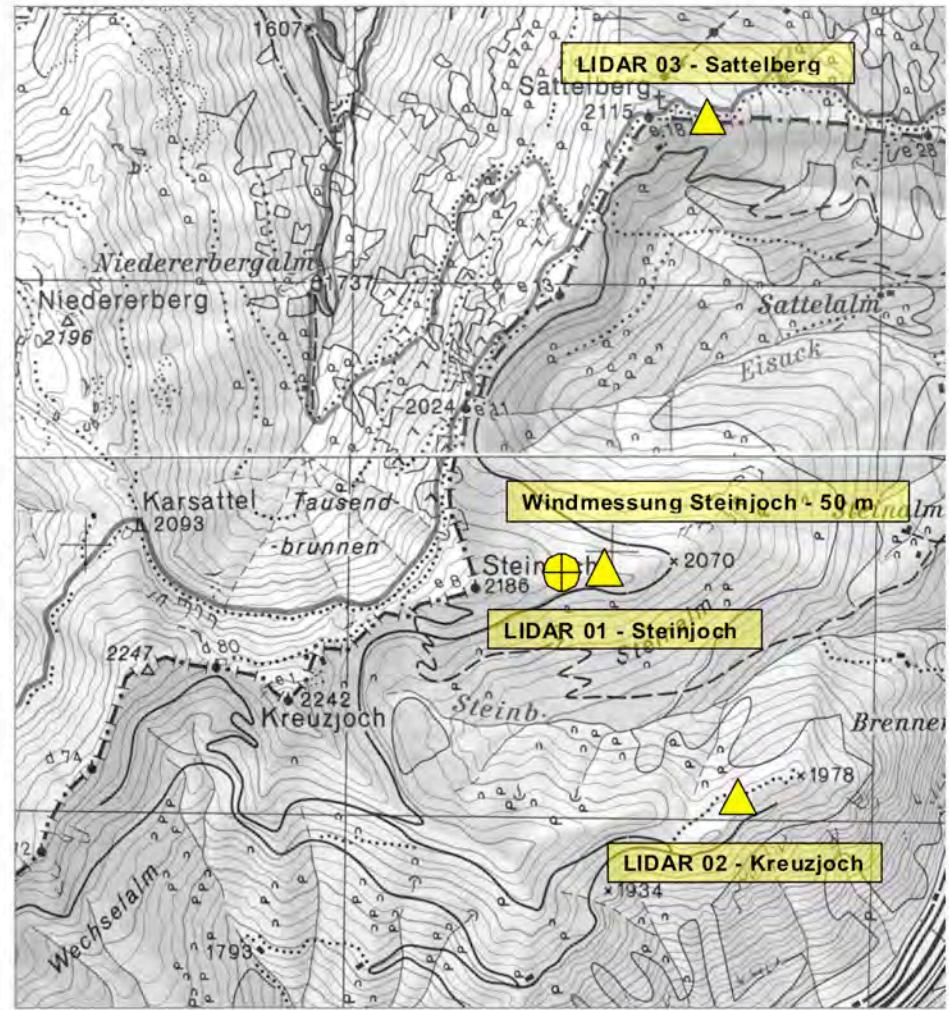


# Wind farm Brenner

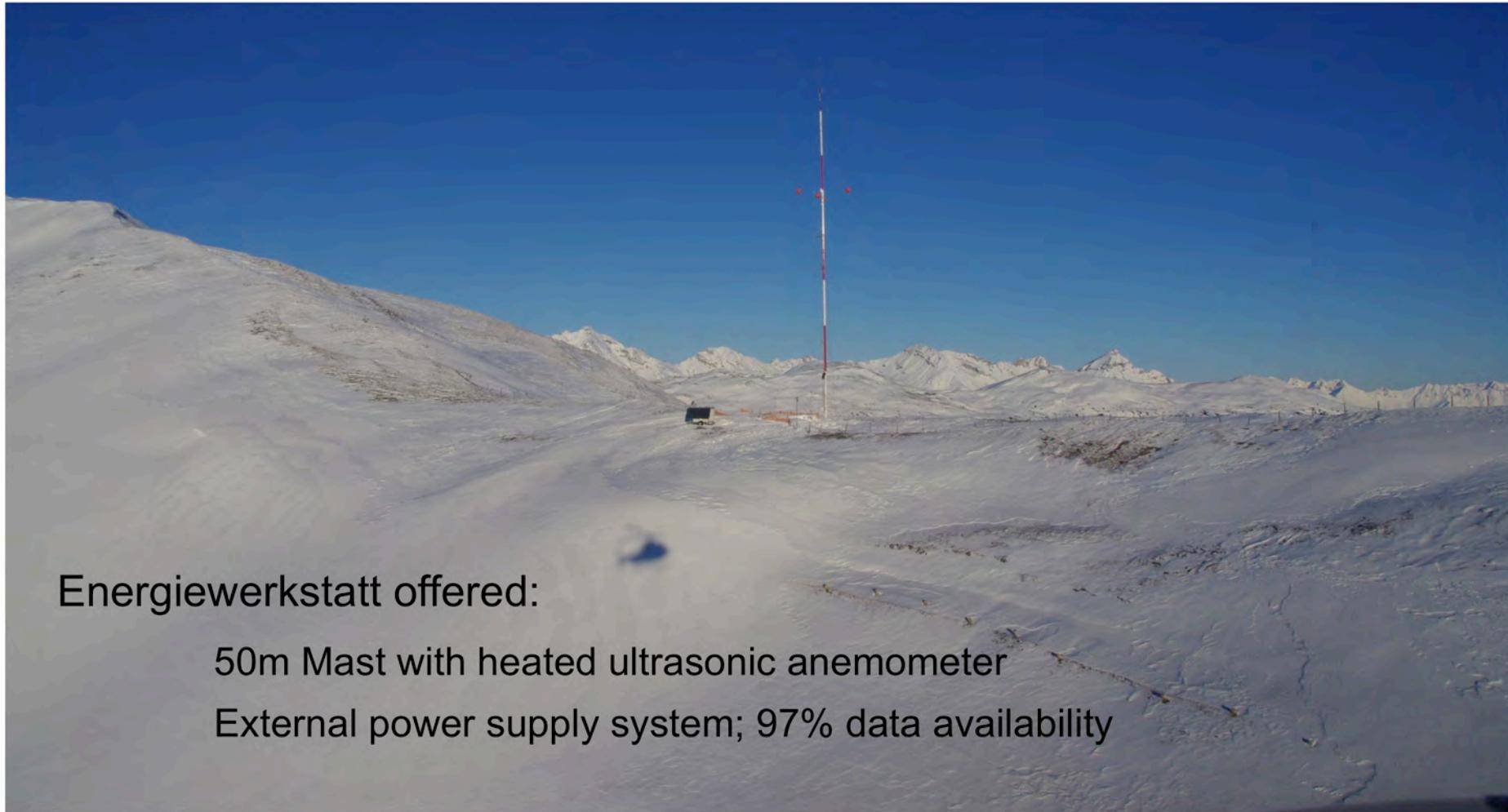
- 2.100 – 2.200m above sea level
- 600 W/m<sup>2</sup> at hub height (estimated)
- 40 days per year icing (estimated)
- 19 Wind turbines approved (LTW70 – 2.0 MW)



# Measurement concept



# Wind measurement mast Steinjoch



Energiewerkstatt offered:

50m Mast with heated ultrasonic anemometer

External power supply system; 97% data availability

# External power supply system

Power demand Ultrasonic:

**250 W (periodically)**

Power demand LIDAR:

**40 W (100 W) (continuously)**

## Technical specification:

PV generator: 4 x 180 W

Wind generator: 2,40 m diameter / 900 W

Fuel cell: 300 W (as backup)

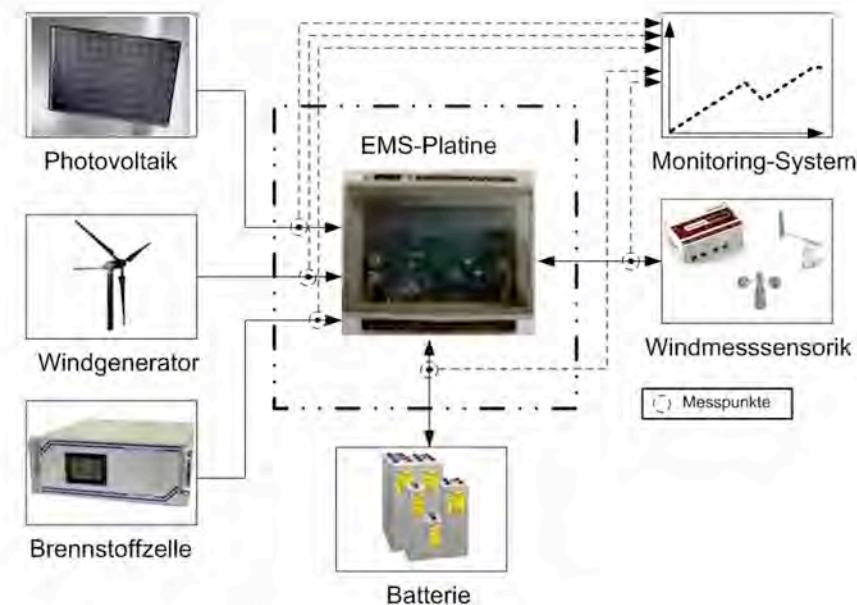
Hydrogen store: 6 bottles à 50 litres

Battery storage: 600 Ah / c100

Data storage: Ammonit Meteo 32

Dimensions: 1.10 / 2.20 / 1.80

Operat. control: EMS Energy  
management system



# Energy management system

## Controlling of the system

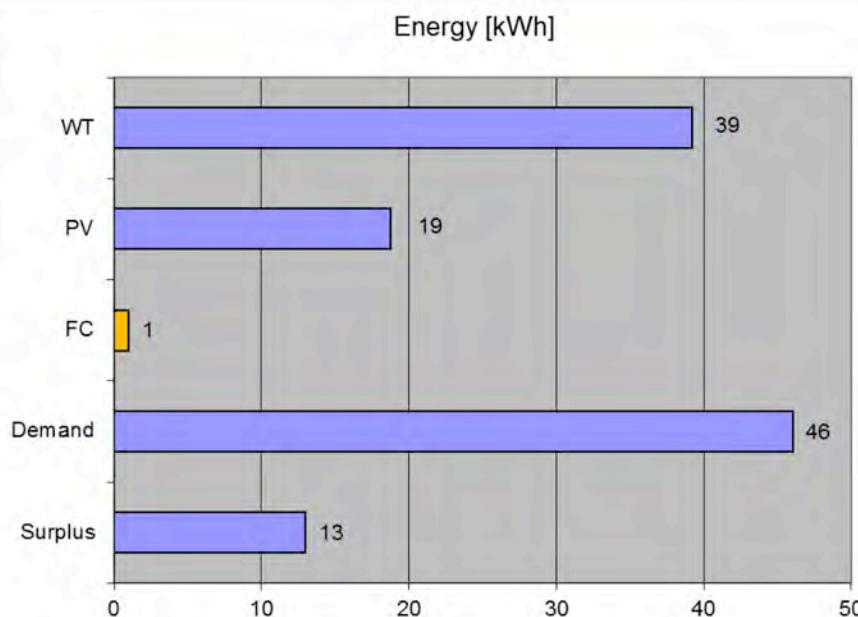
- **Load management:** Managing the power demand of the sensors according to the actual conditions
- **Production management:** Intelligent interplay of the components
- **Thermal management:** Intelligent provision of the required thermal conditions (for battery pack and fuel cell)
- Provision of a **remote control** system, which allows permanent control and a remote changing of the settings



# Experience from first months

## Extreme conditions

- Mean wind speed: 12 m/s in 23 m height
- Wind gusts (10min mean): > 30 m/s
- Ice accretion: Up to 8 cm (all-round)



## Evaluation of 1 ½ months

- Surplus of ~30%
- No demand for FC (only self consumption)
- Data availability of ~97%

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Thanks for your attention!

