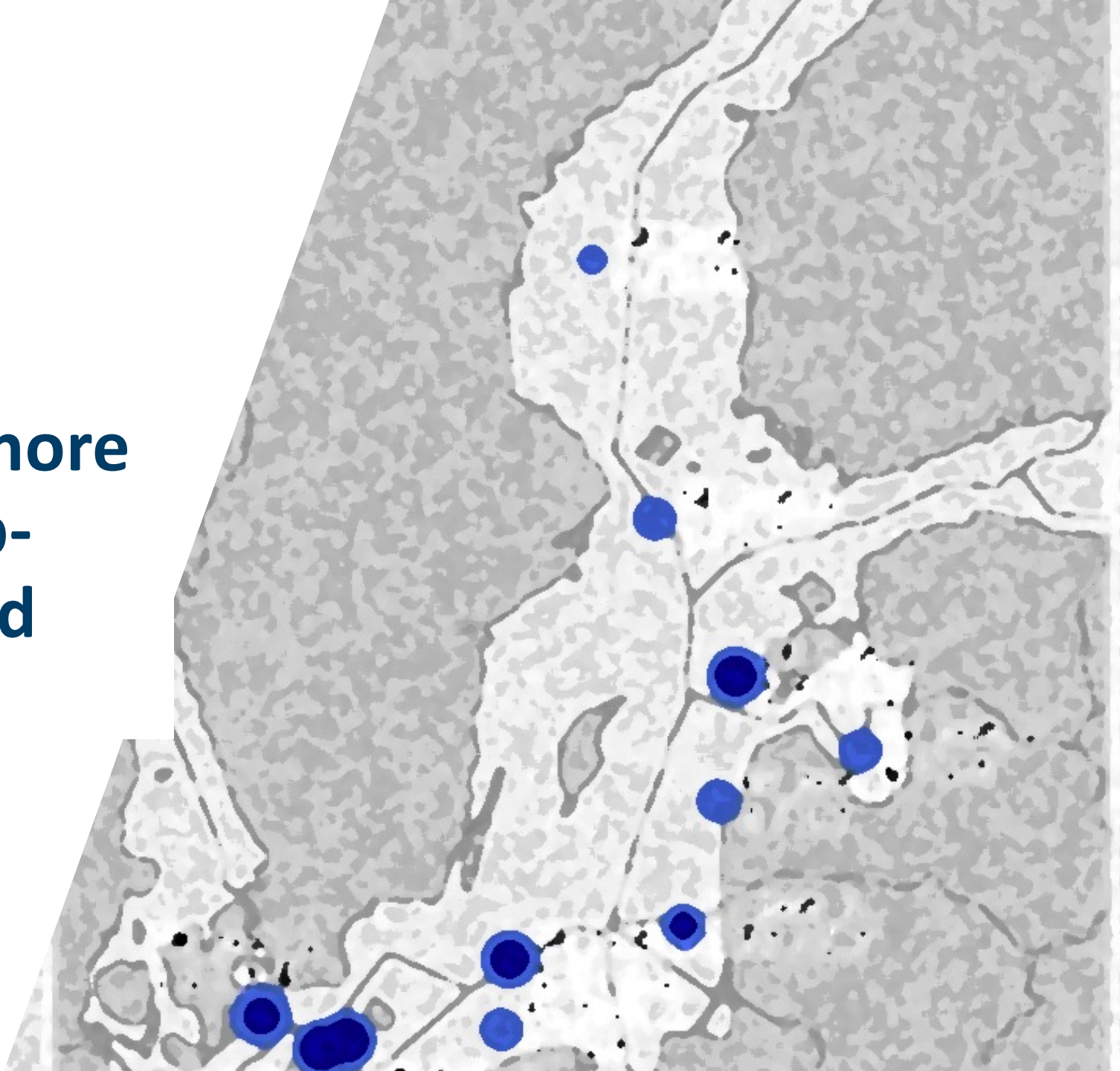




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# Optimisation of offshore grid considering step-wise investments and uncertainty

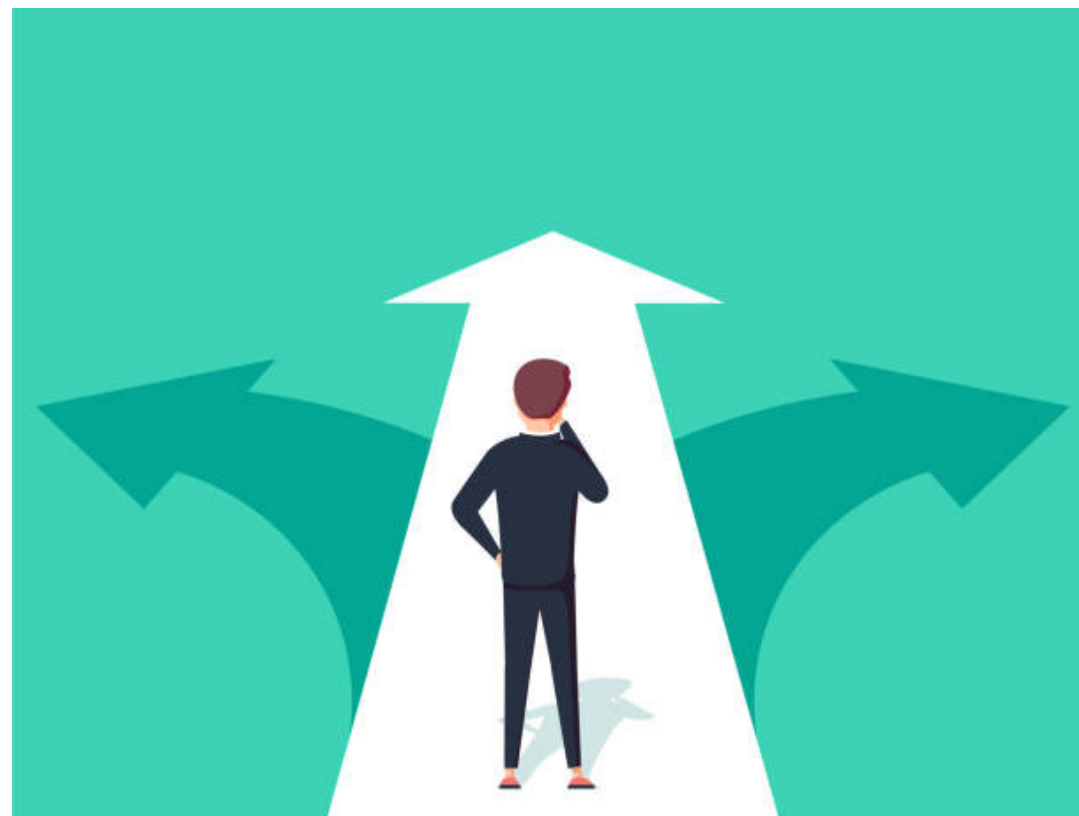
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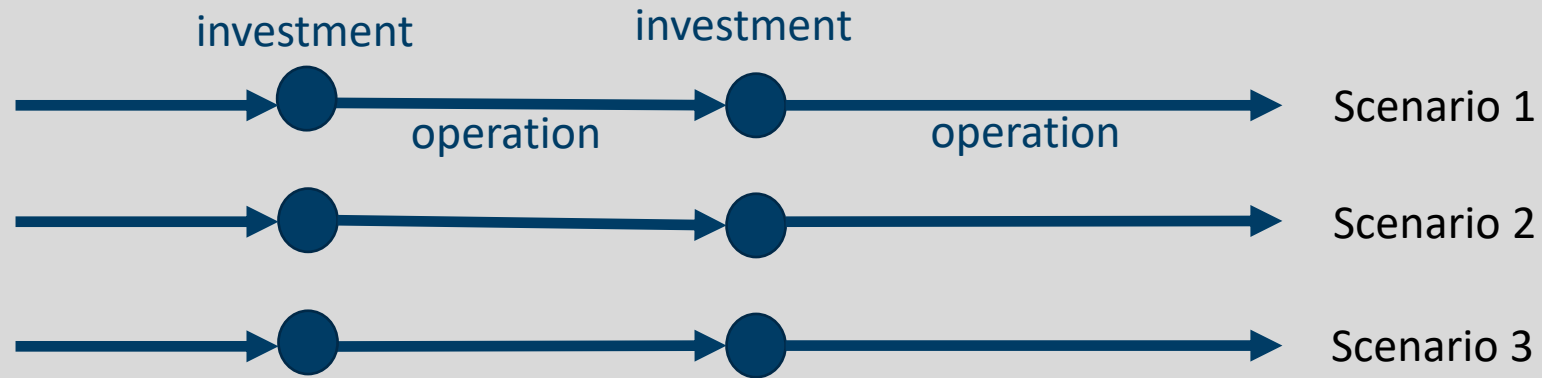
# Optimisation under uncertainty

## Research Question and Goal

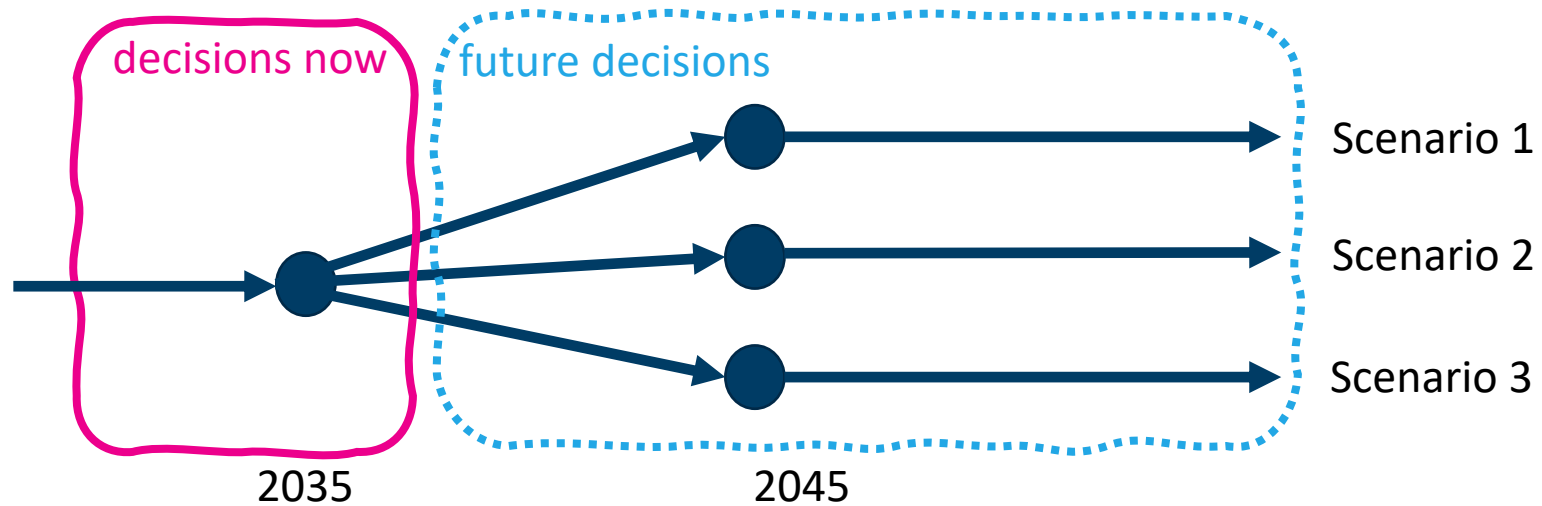
- **Research Question:** How can optimal offshore infrastructure investment decisions here-and-now be made when the development towards 2050 is uncertain?
- **Goal:** Identify optimal Baltic Sea grid investment decisions considering step-wise development and uncertainties
  - Using the PowerGIM optimisation model
  - Using results from Balmorel study



**Balmorel** study  
3 development  
scenarios



**PowerGIM** study  
3 future  
scenarios

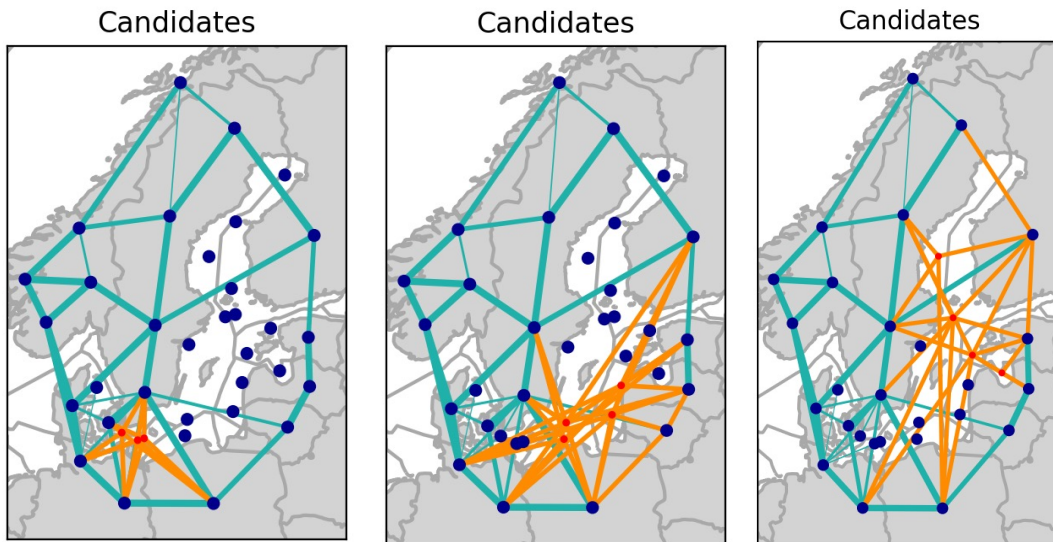


 Optimal here-and-now decisions



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# Assumptions



Baltic Sea divided into 3 regions of interest, analysed separately

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- Outside region of interest: Assumptions based on Balmore results (grid, prices, wind)

Uncertainty: Scenario 1, 2, 3 from Balmore

2035 is considered “here and now”

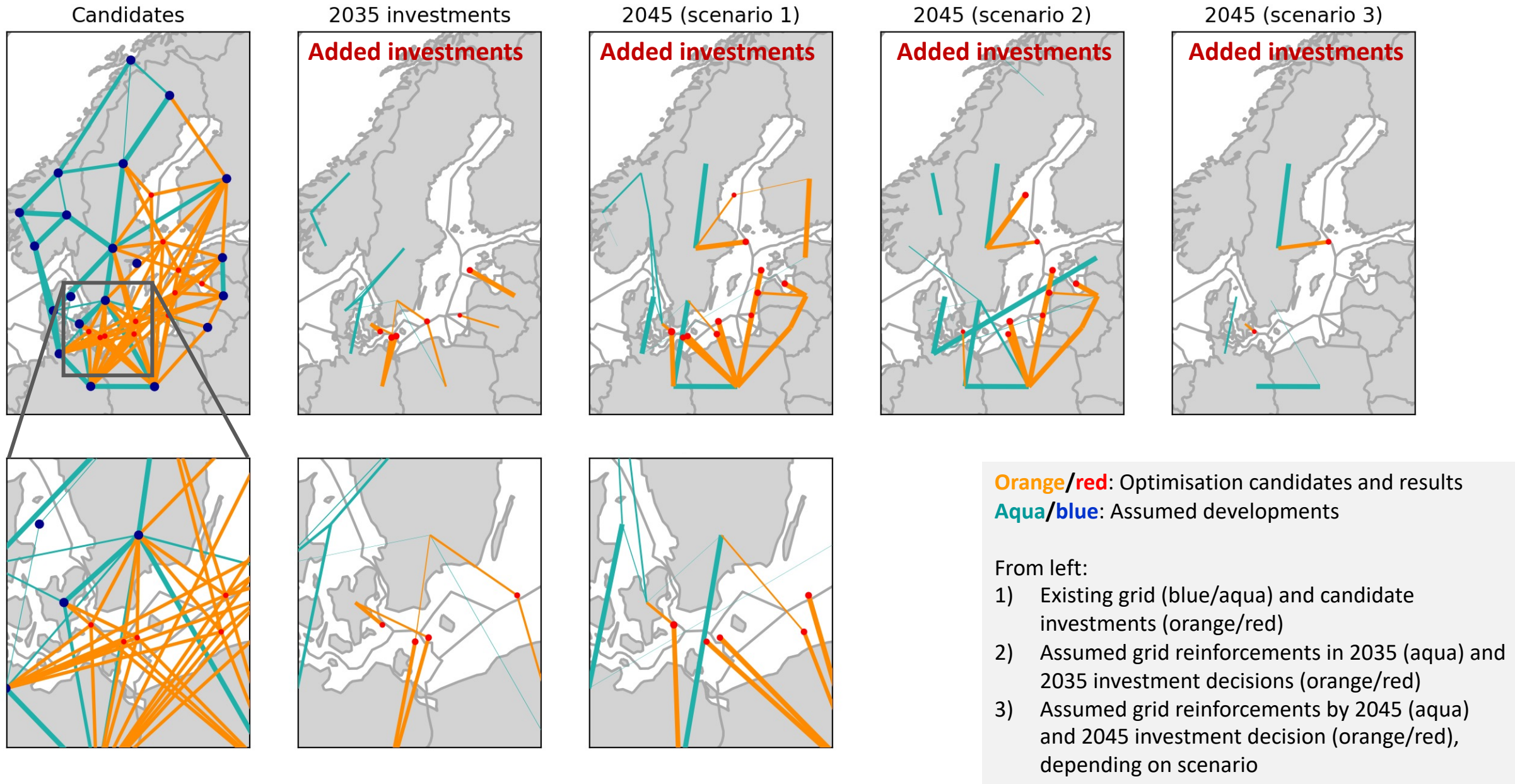
Investment decisions in hubs and transmission for 2035 is done without knowing wind power capacities.

- Corresponds to a situation where grid developer decides grid build-out before knowing what generation capacities will be installed

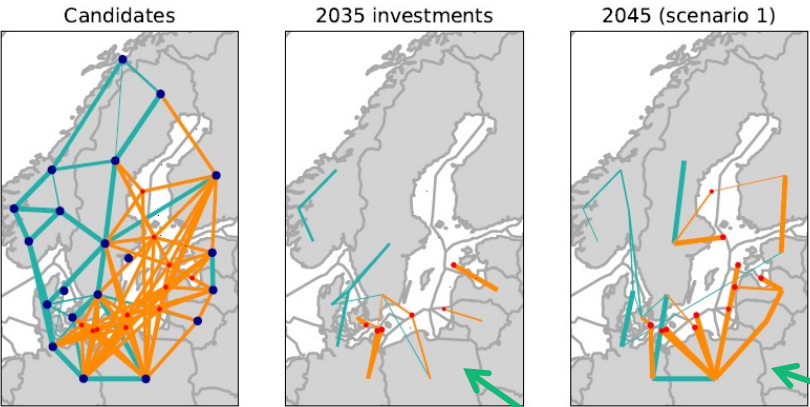
Variables: Baltic sea hub and HVDC connection capacities



# RESULTS: Combined into the same map:



# Comparison with Balmore results

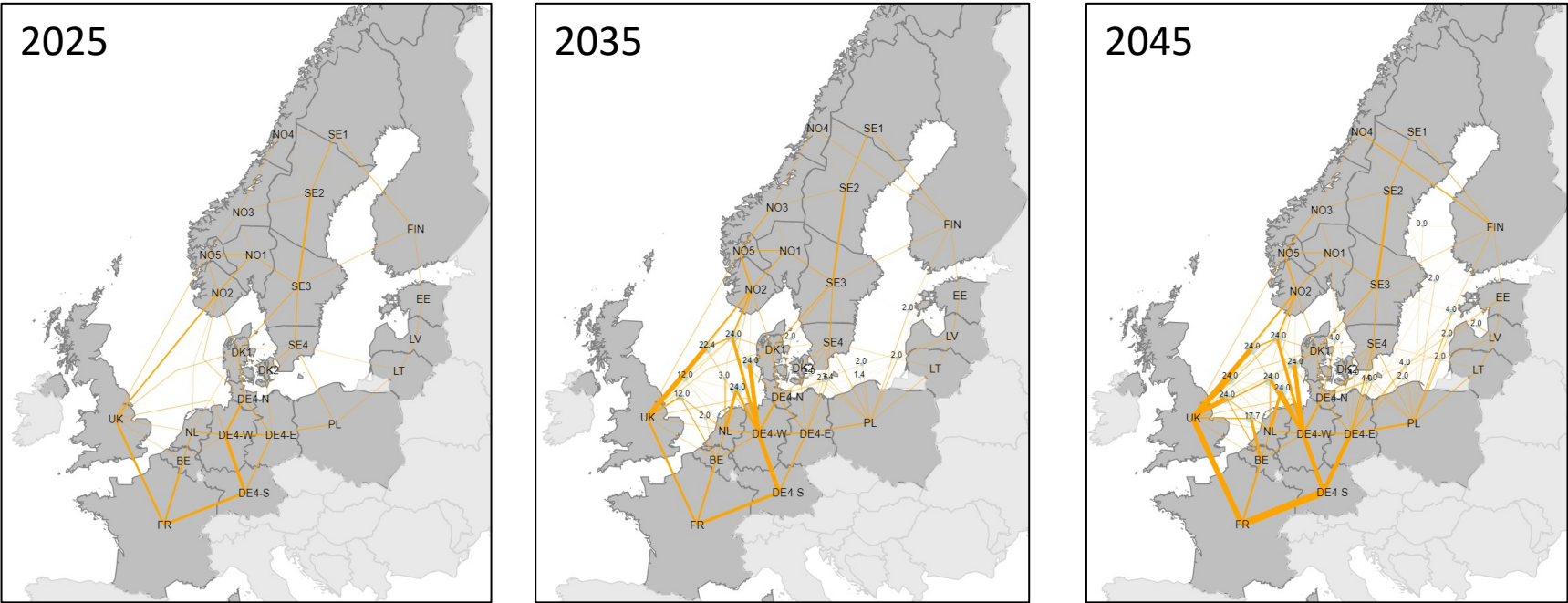


Fewer offshore connections than found in the Balmore study

As expected

- **Balmore**: LP model without fixed costs
- **PowerGIM**: MILP model with fixed costs (discourages investments with small capacity)

Balmore (scenario 1)

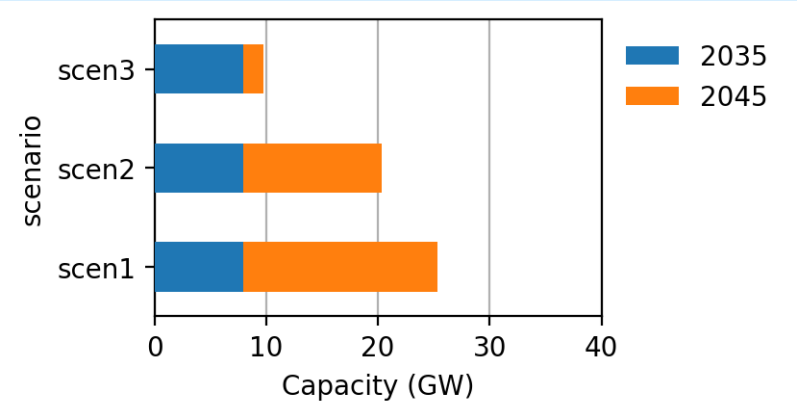
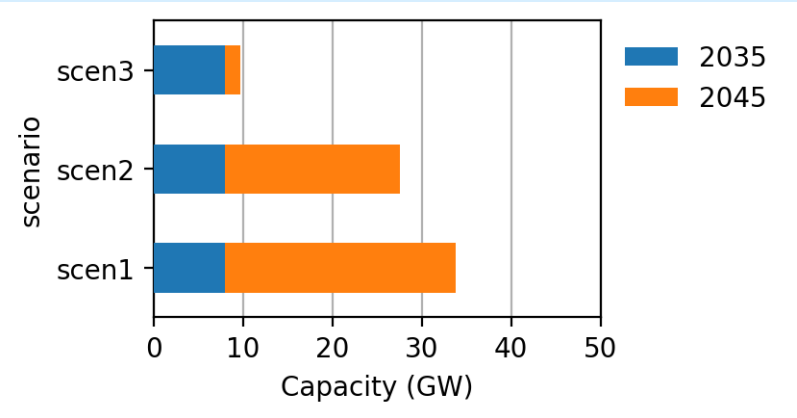


# RESULTS: Baltic Sea grid capacity

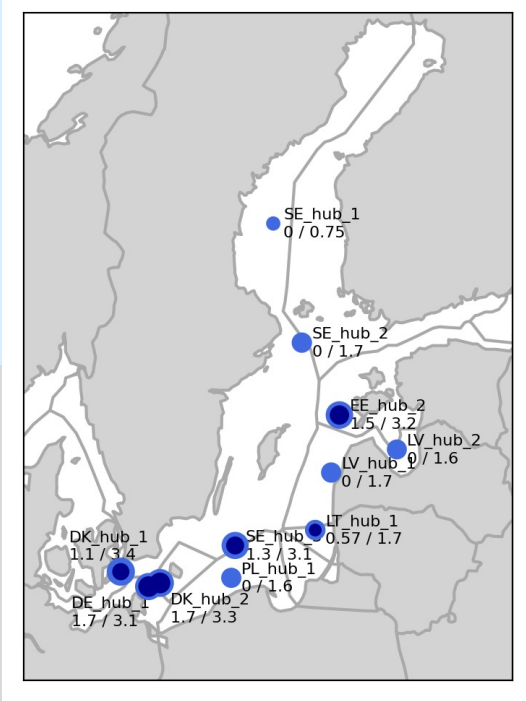
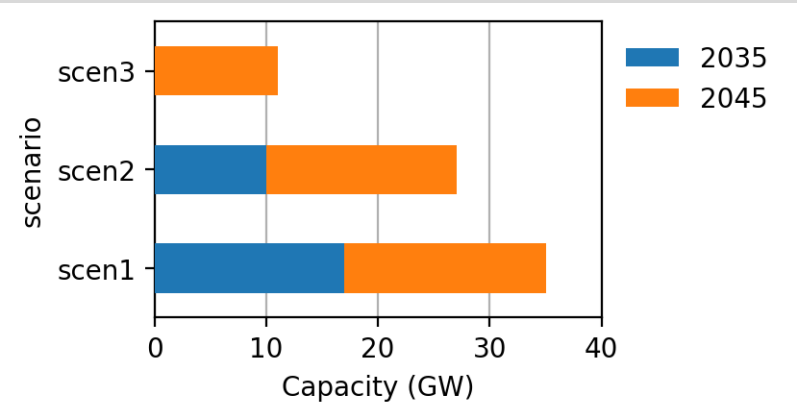
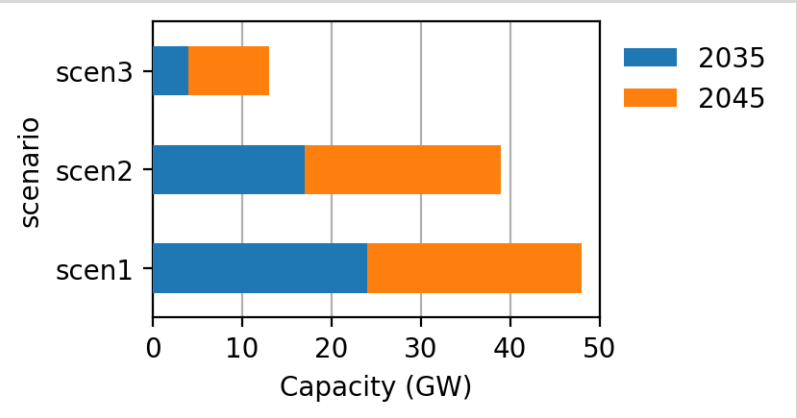
HVDC connections

Offshore hubs

PowerGIM



Balmorel



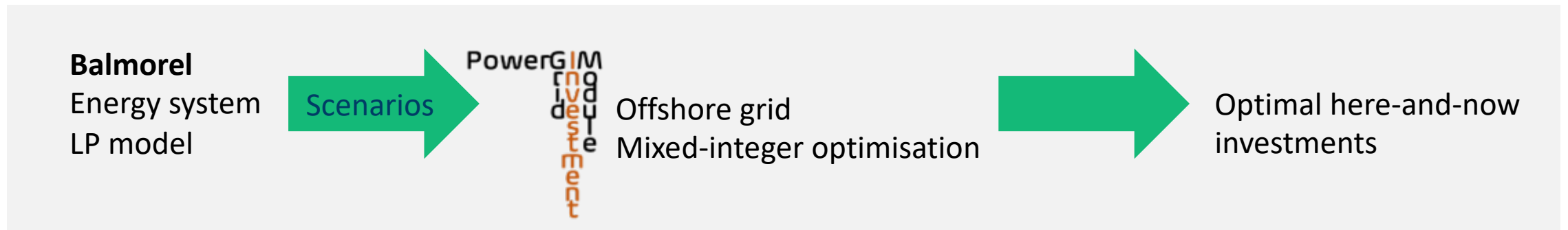
PowerGIM results show less installed offshore infrastructure (MW) than Balmorel (but same order of magnitude)



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# Summary

- Successfully completed a study combining Balmorel and PowerGIM models



- Demonstrates a work flow relevant for here-and-now decision making
- PowerGIM results are different, but consistent with Balmorel findings

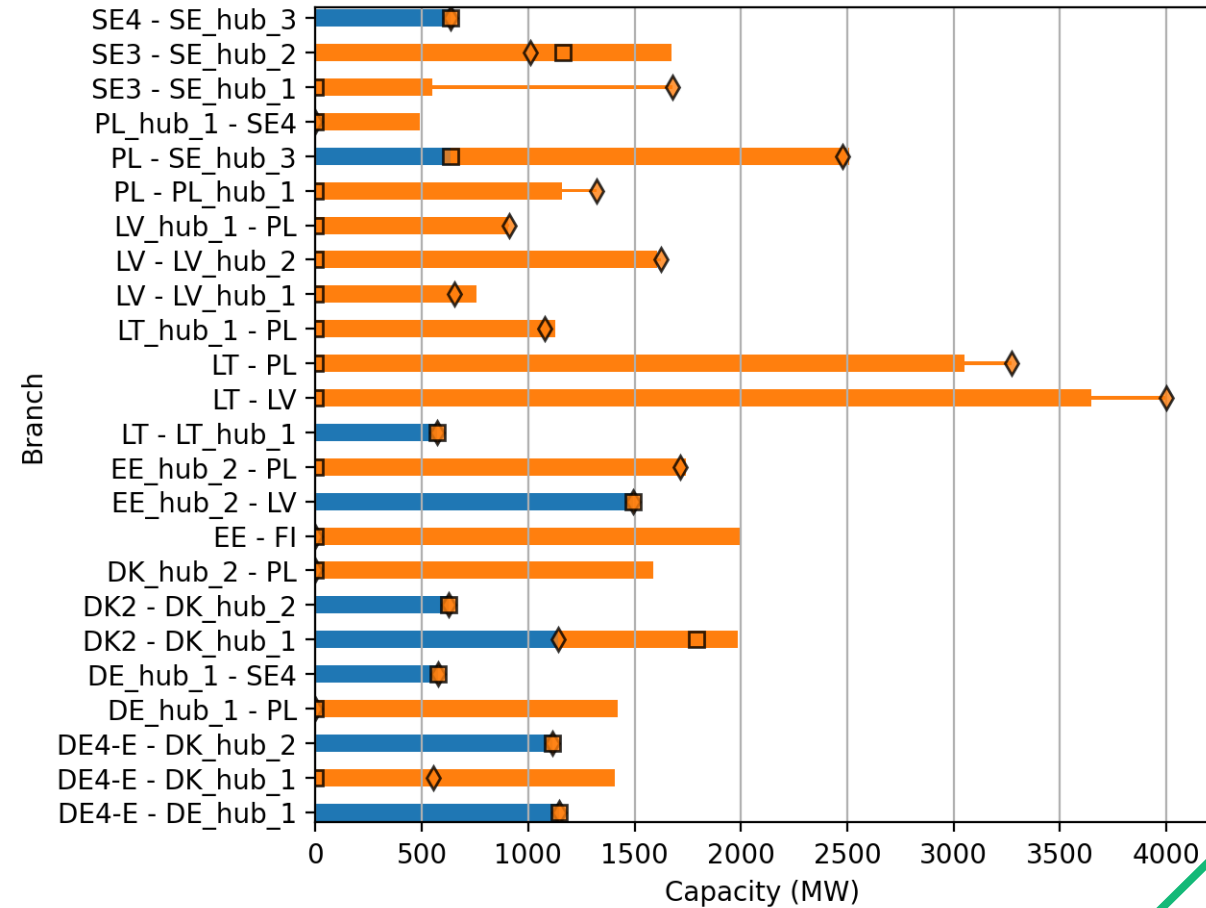




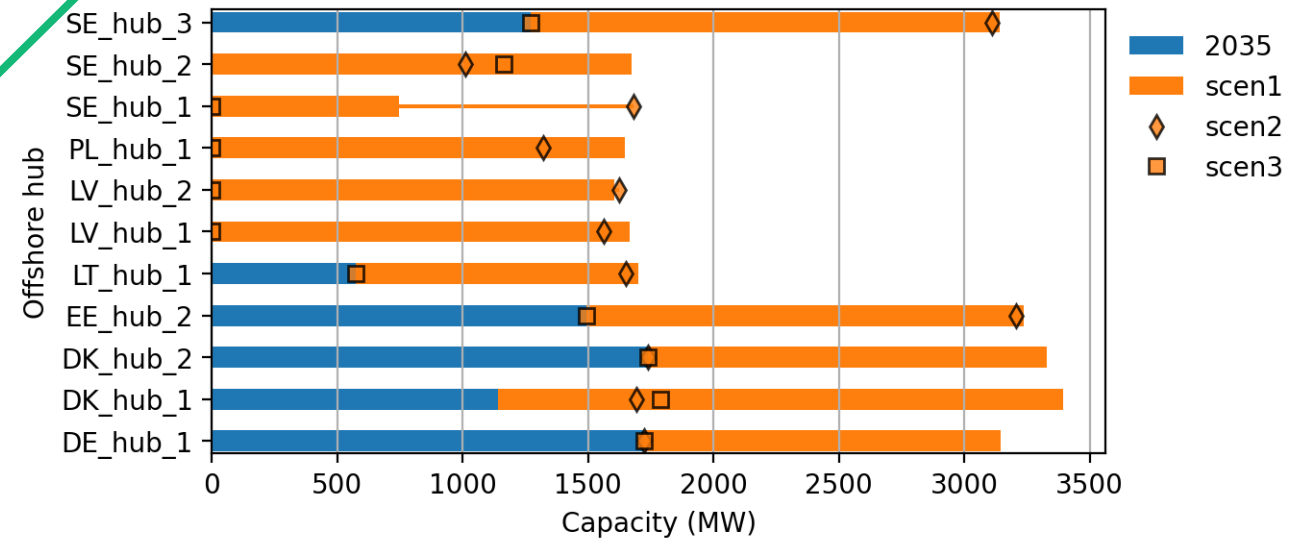
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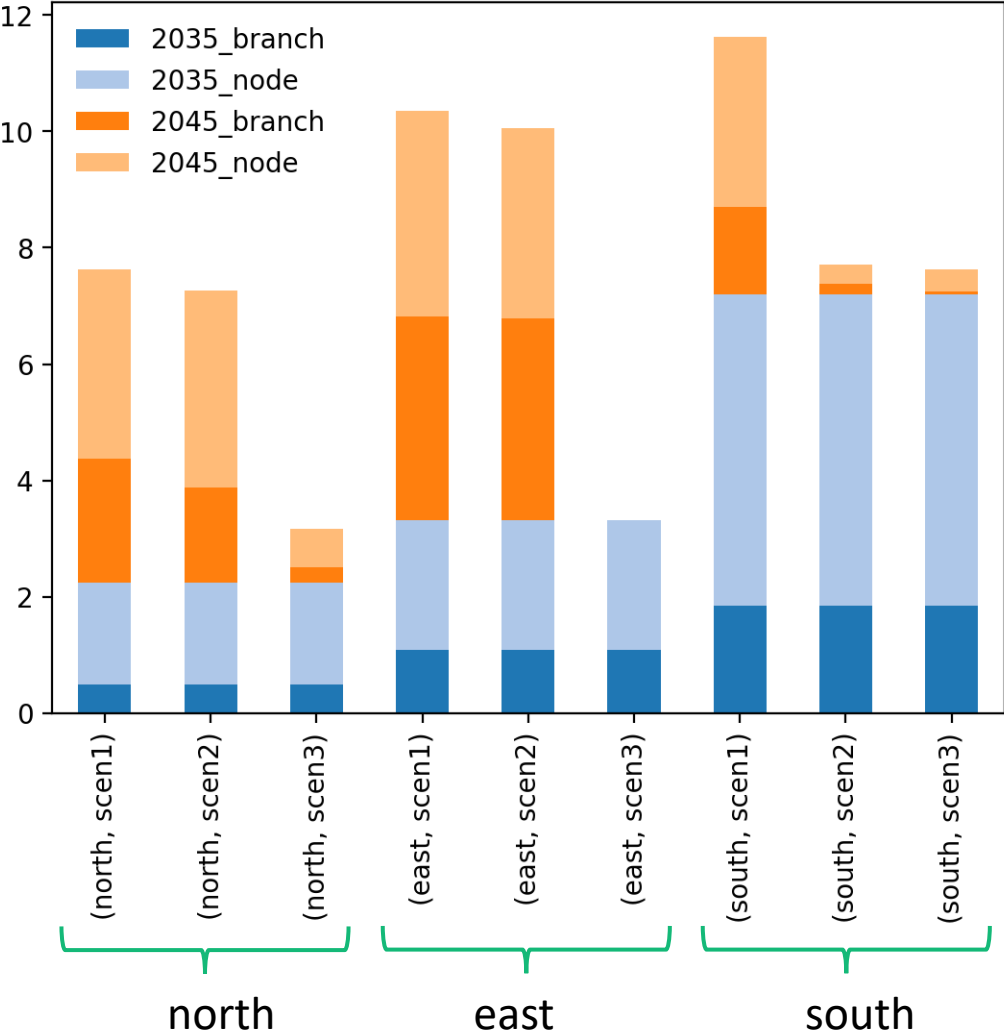
## Baltic Sea HVDC connections



## Baltic Sea hubs



# PowerIGM RESULTS –Investments (bn EUR)



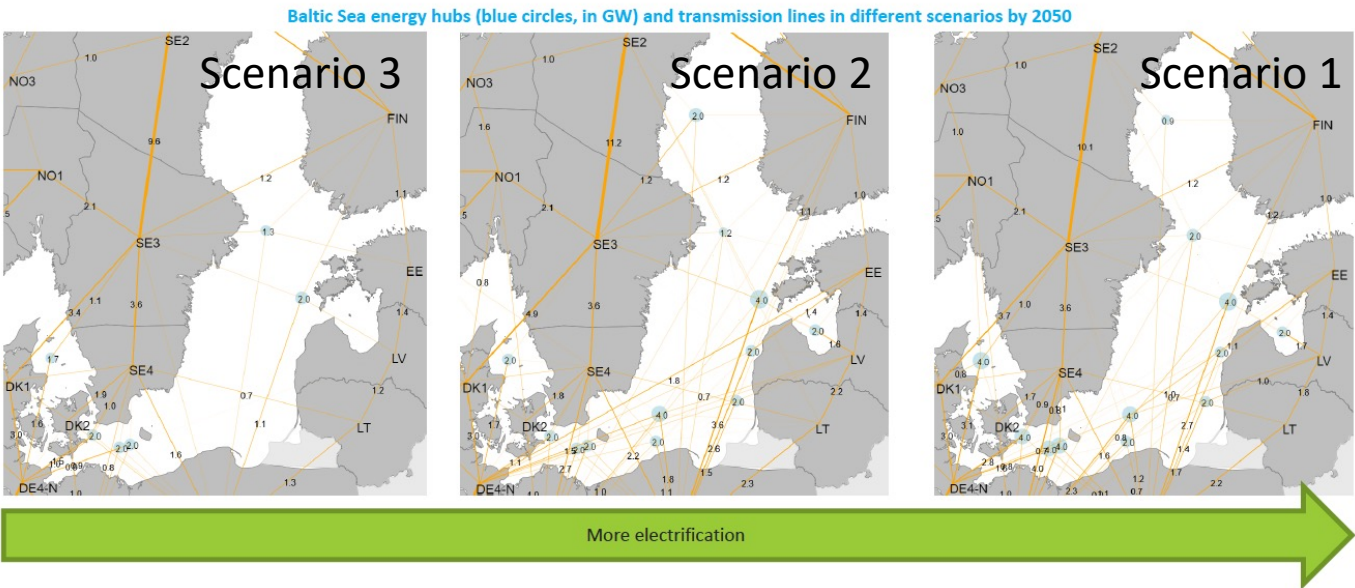


# The BaltHub project

2021-2022

Funding: Nordic Energy Research

## Results from Balmorel study



- BaltHub analyses the cost-effectiveness of Baltic Sea energy hubs using integrated energy system analysis of the Baltic-Nordic region and beyond
- Partners:
  - DTU (DK)
  - SINTEF (NO)
  - Tallinn University of Technology (EE)
  - Kaunas University of Technology (LT)
- Models:
  - CorRES
  - Balmorel (LP)
  - PowerGIM (MILP)

TABLE I. STUDIED SCENARIOS IN TERMS OF ELECTRIFICATION.

	Scenario	Electric heating (household & industry)	Electric mobility	Hydrogen demand (industry & transport fuels)
3	Heat only	Optimized	-	-
2	Heat and Elec. Mobility	Optimized	Operation optimized	-
1	All Electrified	Optimized	Operation optimized	Operation optimized