

Energy transition: integration of renewables?

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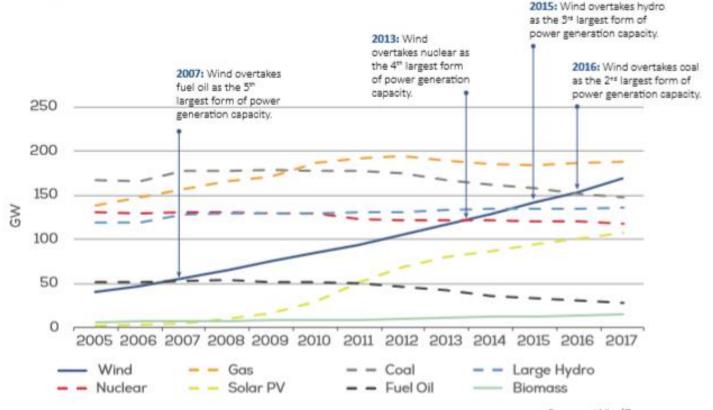
ProRail

Renewable energy in Europe

Wind and solar are growing rapidly.

What are the opportunities for the rail sector?

FIGURE 1
Total power generation capacity in the European Union 2005-2017



Source: WindEurope

Energy transition: several dimension

Integration in the energy grid

Integration in rail assets

Integration in the area







Using VR for integration of larger solar installations

ProRail and Rijkswaterstaat have started a project at a junction of two highways and two railways (A2 / A15 and Utrecht – Den Bosch / Betuweroute).

• First step was consultation of major stakeholders

(municipals, province, ministry of transport, Staatsbosbeheer, DSO.

- Second step will be creating an project that realizes this solar park.
- Virtual Reality can play a role in visualizing the impact at an early stage, thus creating consensus and optimizing solutions.





Combination of integration on assets and in the area Example: noise barriers



Can we combine our assets to develop a standard solution for noise barriers? Both on integration into grid, on our assets and with a high and flexible solution for the area where they are placed in?

Discussion

Our assets can add value in regard to the energy transition, so we have to consider a new position.

- Is this a common idea?
- And can we join forces and share idea's?

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