### IEA Hydro kick-off workshop: Hydropower services and Climate Change

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# Hydropower in the world

#### **ELECTRICITY GENERATION**

Source: IEA 2019

#### Hydropower is the world's largest source of renewable electricity generation



www.hydropower.org/status2019



### Hydropower A&R services







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### XFLEX HYDRO

# FOUR-YEAR TIMELINE

### 1

2019

#### **INNOVATION**

Optimal collection of heterogeneous data to allow a precise estimate of plant KPIs, and refinement of flexibility services needs.

#### Flexibility matrix SPPS

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scenarios.

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DEMONSTRATION

stration of XFLEX HYDRO

challenging HPP real-world

Demonstration scenarios

Validation and demon-

results across six

complementary and

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### 3

#### DEPLOYMENT

Building methodology and tools to bring the project activities to their markets, maximising and optimising XFLEX HYDRO solutions potential.

2023

Market uptake Object Dissemination cross-cut

#### adman & White paper

#### Roadmap & White paper



#### ACTIVITY 1

# CREATING A FLEXIBILITY MATRIX



The hydropower flexibility matrix will play a key role in providing a mapping of hydro technology supporting flexibility services and how they enable hydropower to take part in new power markets. It will combine information about the latest flexibility products, flexibility markets and innovative hydroelectric technology solutions that enhance the ability of HPPs to respond to EPS flexibility needs.





#### ACTIVITY 2

# SMART POWER PLANT SUPERVISOR

Brings the turbine dynamics and conditions knowledge into advanced control unit operation and predictive maintenance

#### BEFORE

Limited range of operation based on functions that exclude grid needs

**AFTER** 

Flexible range of operation based on a multidimensional analysis including energy grid needs



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### The world's water battery:

### PUMPED HYDROPOWER STORAGE WORLDWIDE

160.3 GW	37.2	Rest of the World
	30.0	China
Total worldwide hydropower pumped storage in 2018	27.6	Japan
	22.9	United States
	7.6	Italy
	7.0	France
	6.8	Germany
	6.2	Spain
	5.5	Austria
	4.8	India
	4.7	South Korea

Pumped hydropower storage capacity (GW) of top 10 countries and rest of the world in 2018. *Source: IHA 2018.* 

**Pumped hydropower** storage (PHS), the world's 'water battery' accounts for over 94 per cent of installed global energy storage capacity

- Supports power grid stability, reducing overall system costs and sector emissions.
- Allow for faster and wider operating ranges, providing additional flexibility at all timescales, enabling higher penetrations of VRE at lower system costs.
- Driven by the increasing penetration of wind and solar, reduced dispatchable generation and the need for greater grid flexibility

With these adaptation services an additional 78 GW of PHS capacity is expected to be commissioned by 2030.

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# Background

### Barriers to reducing climate-related risks

- Recognition that current and future climate differs from past climate
- Not informed of **potential risks to business** operations on different time scales
- Not clear **understanding how** climate change could undermine investments
- Not ownership of relevant climate and weather data to integrate into the design and operation of infrastructure
- Perception of high costs for resilience measures

### Hydropower Sector Climate Resilience Guide



With technical and financial support from:









Hydropower Sector Climate Resilience Guide

or existing and future hydropower project

Providing guidance to **build** new and existing resilient projects

International Hydropower Association, 2019. *Hydropower Sector Climate Resilience Guide*. London, United Kingdom.

www.hydropower.org/climateresilienceguide

# Delivering international guidance

For **identifying** climate risks and opportunities

For **assessing** the impacts of climate change on hydropower projects.

For **managing** risks by selecting appropriate measures and operational procedures that **build climate resilience** across a range of scenarios.







# Applicability

- Any type and scale of project
- For existing and future projects
- Relevant to any **geography**
- Compatible with all data availability and quality
- Adaptable to single and cascade projects
- Aligned to the project's functions



Pilot projects that applied the beta version of the guide. Its feedback was crucial for the refinement of *Hydropower Sector Climate Resilience Guide*.





#### Average Annual Energy for Kabeli (GWhr)

240

220

200

180

- 160

· 140

800

- 700

600

500

400

300

1.4

1.4



Precipitation (Fraction of Historic/Baseline)

### Resilience measures

#### Structural measures

- Enhanced flood defences for powerhouse
- Installation of variable speed turbines or turbines with higher efficiency for a wide range of discharges
- Increased energy dissipation from spillway
- Pumped-storage power plant.

- **Functional measures**
- Revision optimal minimum operating level
- More efficient sediment management strategies
- Reassessment of type of scheme (base load vs peaking and run-of-river vs storage)
- Etc.

• Etc.

Consider adaptability Cost effective and economically acceptable.

### Example - risk



Economic impact of:

- a) shutdown of the power plant during excessive sediment load
- b) emergency & maintenance cost due to turbine abrasion

<u>Structural measures</u>: new intake design, retrofit to incorporate bottom outlets, or construct a bypass tunnel

Functional measures: improve sed. management (upstream mgt, sluicing)

### Storage and sediment



Reliability = 99%



# Example - opportunity

#### Net Present Value (\$M) for 335 MW Capacity Design



- a) Ability to satisfy the performance while benefiting from the increased inflow.
- a) Minimise the maximum regret
- a) Agreed tolerable loss.

<u>Structural measure</u>: increased installed capacity of turbines or expansion <u>Functional measure</u>: plan for additional capacity when needed

# Sustainability tools

**Gap Analysis** 

Assessment

The Hydropower Sustainability Tools define **international good and best practice** in sustainable hydropower development and are used to assess the sustainability of projects.

www.hydrosustainability.org

Hydropower Sustainability

**Guidelines** 

Tools

# Unlocking finance



### **Proposed screening criteria**

- It has a low carbon footprint, i.e.
  - Power density > 5W/m<sup>2</sup>; or
  - Emissions < 100g CO2<sub>e</sub>/ kWh (demonstrated via the G-RES tool)

www.g-res.hydropower.org

#### Deal breaker!

- It is resilient to climate change and does not undermine others' resilience
  - Demonstrated via an assessment with the **ESG Gap Analysis Tool**, identifying significant gaps (if any) and establishing action plans to address these gaps.
  - A scoring methodology has been developed to determine when overall performance is sufficient
    - A maximum of 10 significant gaps are allowed in total across all 12 sections under the Tool\*;
    - A maximum of 2 significant gaps are allowed in any one section under the Tool\*;
    - Where gaps are identified, the majority of significant gaps must be closed within 12 months. Any remaining significant gaps must be closed within 24 months.

# Thank you for your attention







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