



# Hydro Power Introduction

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# Hydro Introduction

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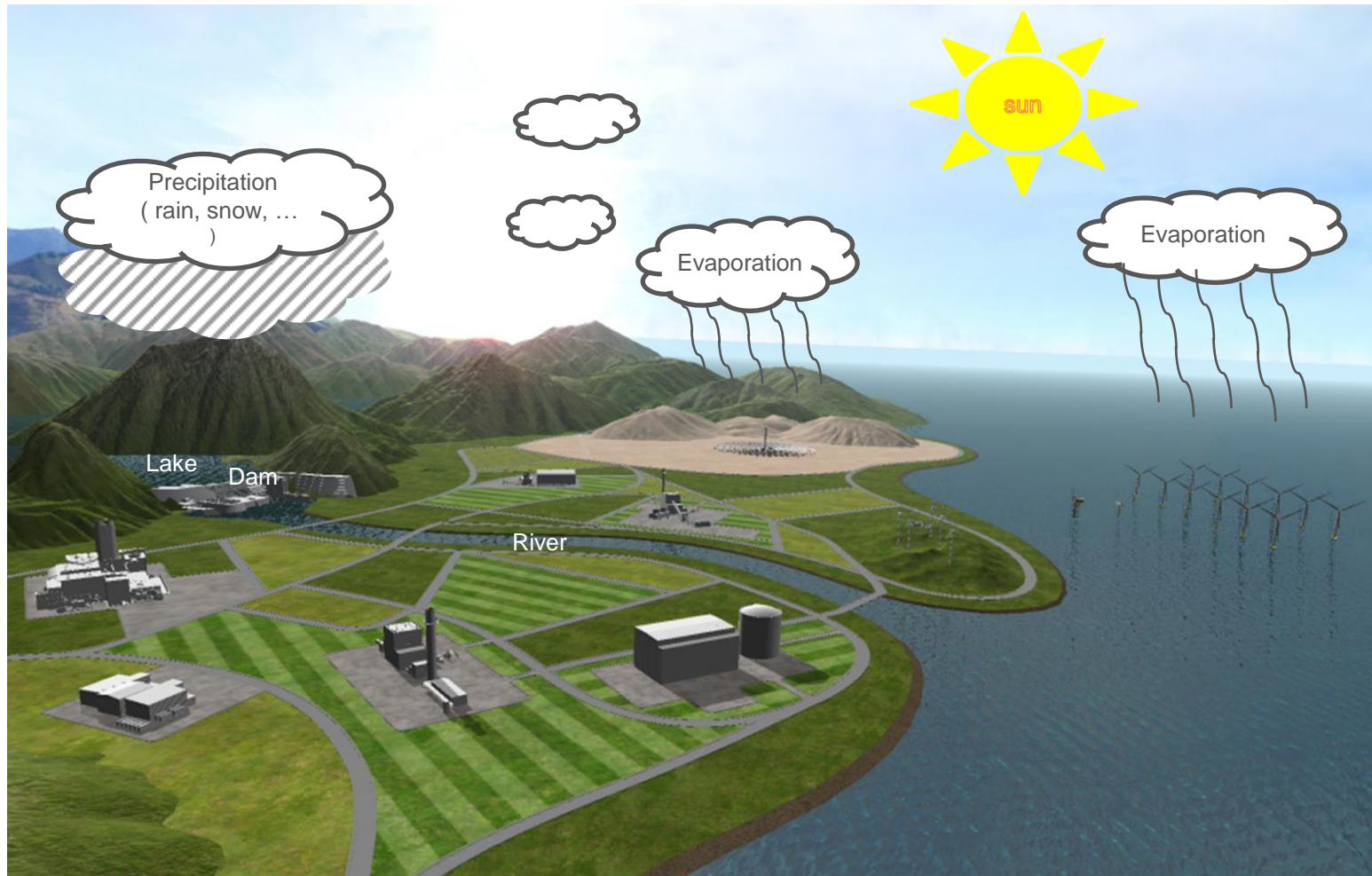


# Hydraulic Energy



# Hydraulic Energy Principle

## Water Cycle



# Hydraulic Energy



## Main advantages of Hydraulic Energy

- World's biggest Renewable energy
- Clean Energy
- High Availability
- High Efficiency
- Long Plant Lifetime
- Energy storage
- Provides freshwater storage, irrigation, navigation



# Hydraulic Energy



## Main drawbacks of Hydraulic Energy

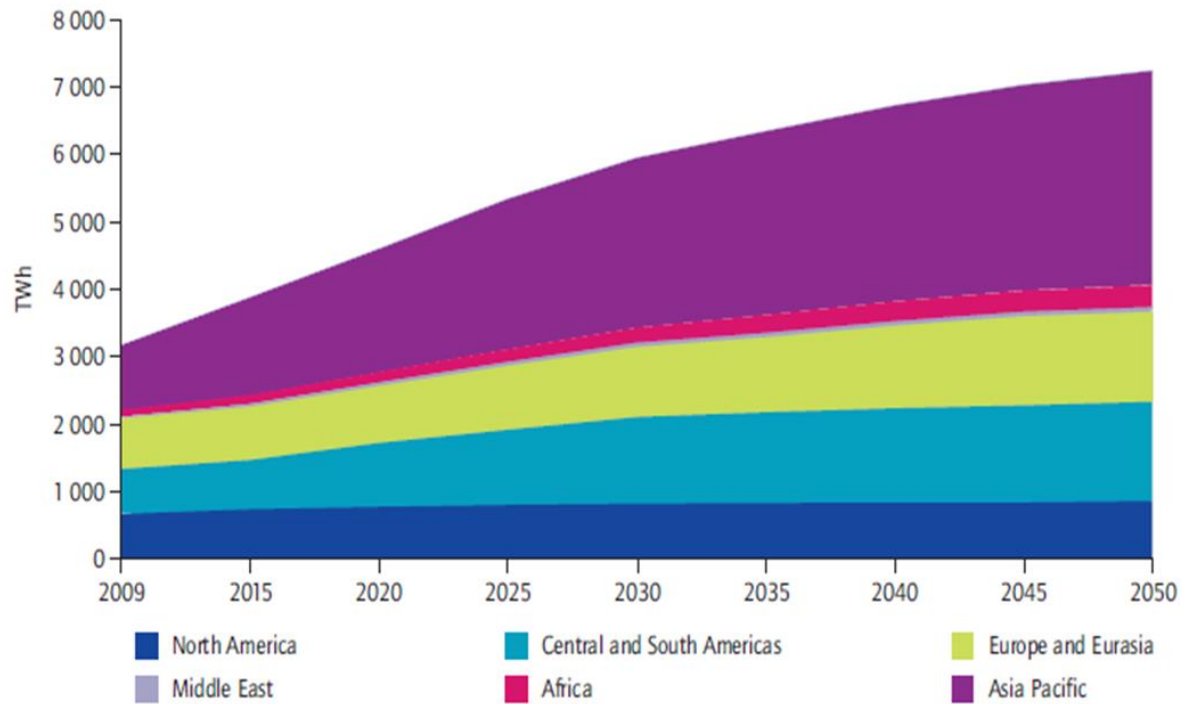
- Initial investment
- Rainfall depending
- Ecologic impact
- Population Displacement
- Geologic risks



# Sustainable Market

Doubling of global capacity by 2050

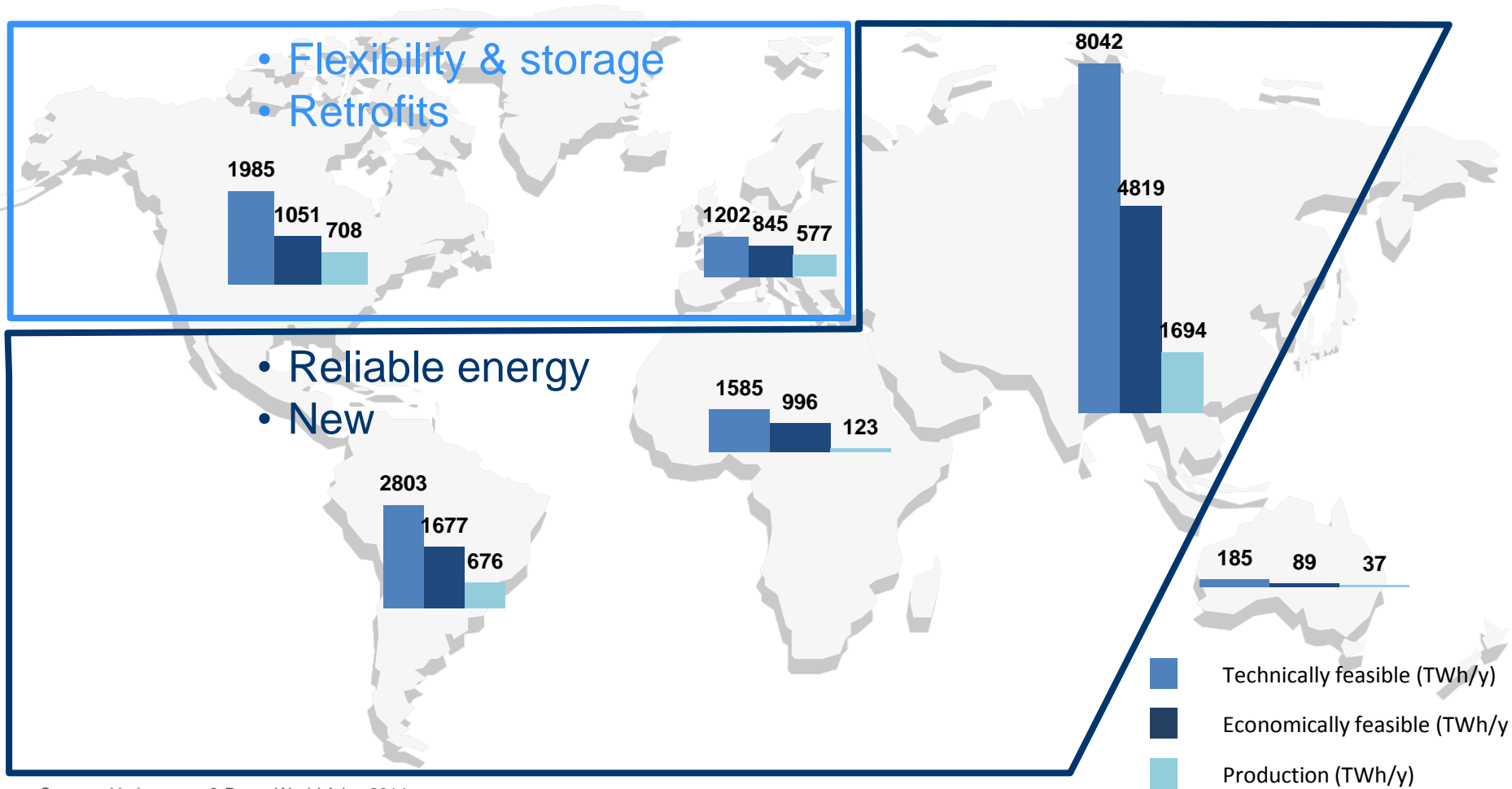
Hydroelectricity generation till 2050  
in the Hydropower Roadmap vision (TWh)



Sources: IEA, 2012c and MME data.



# Segmenting Customer Needs



Source : Hydropower & Dams World Atlas 2014





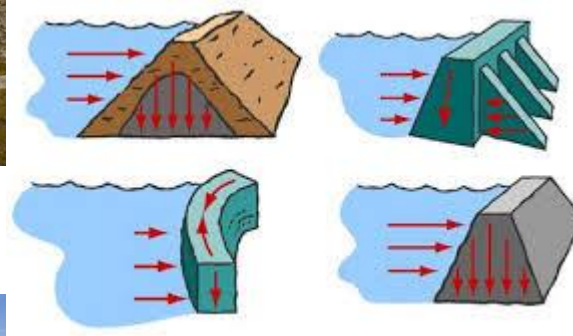
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4 main types of Dams

Embankment dam



Buttresses dam



Arch dam



Gravity dam



# Hydro Installation: Plant configurations



# Hydro Installation configurations

## Run of river Power Plants

- Characteristics:
  - Small head between upstream and downstream levels
- Operation:
  - Continuous operation, base load
  - Production depends on water flow available on the river
  - Energy production higher in summer than in winter



Ex: Beauharnois, Canada (28 Francis, 10 Propellers – head 24 m)



# Hydro Installation configurations

## Sluice operation power plants

### Characteristics:

- The power house is located at the bottom of the dam
- Operation:
  - Discontinuous operation
  - Production depends on water level and capacity of the dam
  - Available energy can be predicted by dam level management and yearly water provided by the river



Itaipu (20 Vertical Francis  
700 MW –118 m)

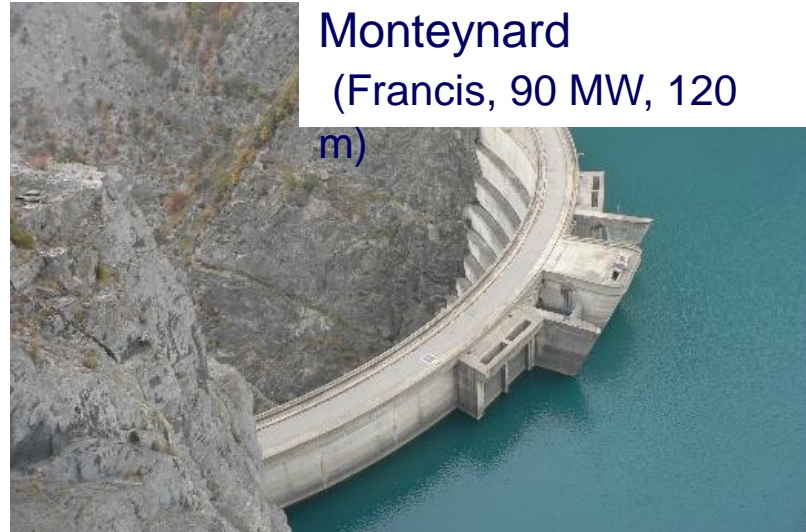




# Hydro Installation configurations

## Reservoir Power Plants (PSP or some Francis)

- Characteristics:
  - High head
  - High pressure
  - Underground powerhouse
  
- Operation:
  - When power is needed (peak season demand)



# Hydro powerhouses



# Hydro Powerhouses



House type : External building

Run of river: Beauharnois, Canada – High head: Malgovert, France





# Hydro Powerhouses



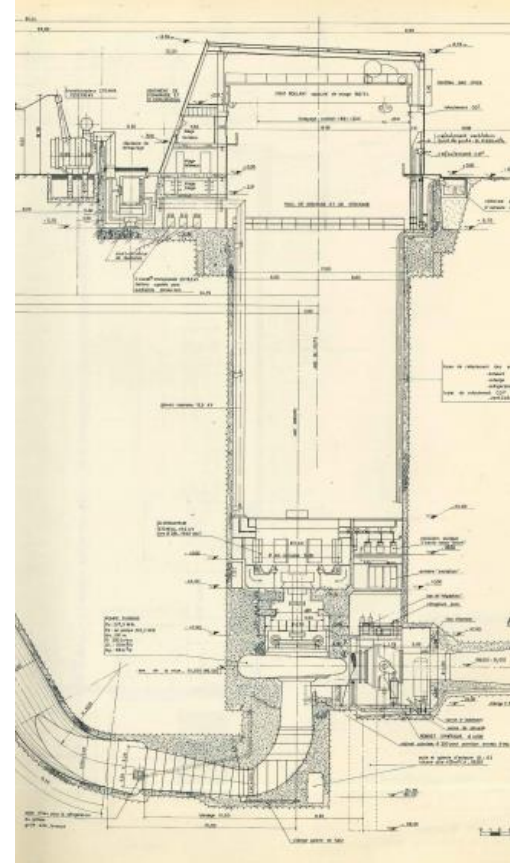
House type : Bottom of the dam (three gorges, China)

Turbine head = height of the dam





# Hydro Powerhouses



House type : pit (Le Cheylas, France)

Specific for pump turbines for same reasons as underground



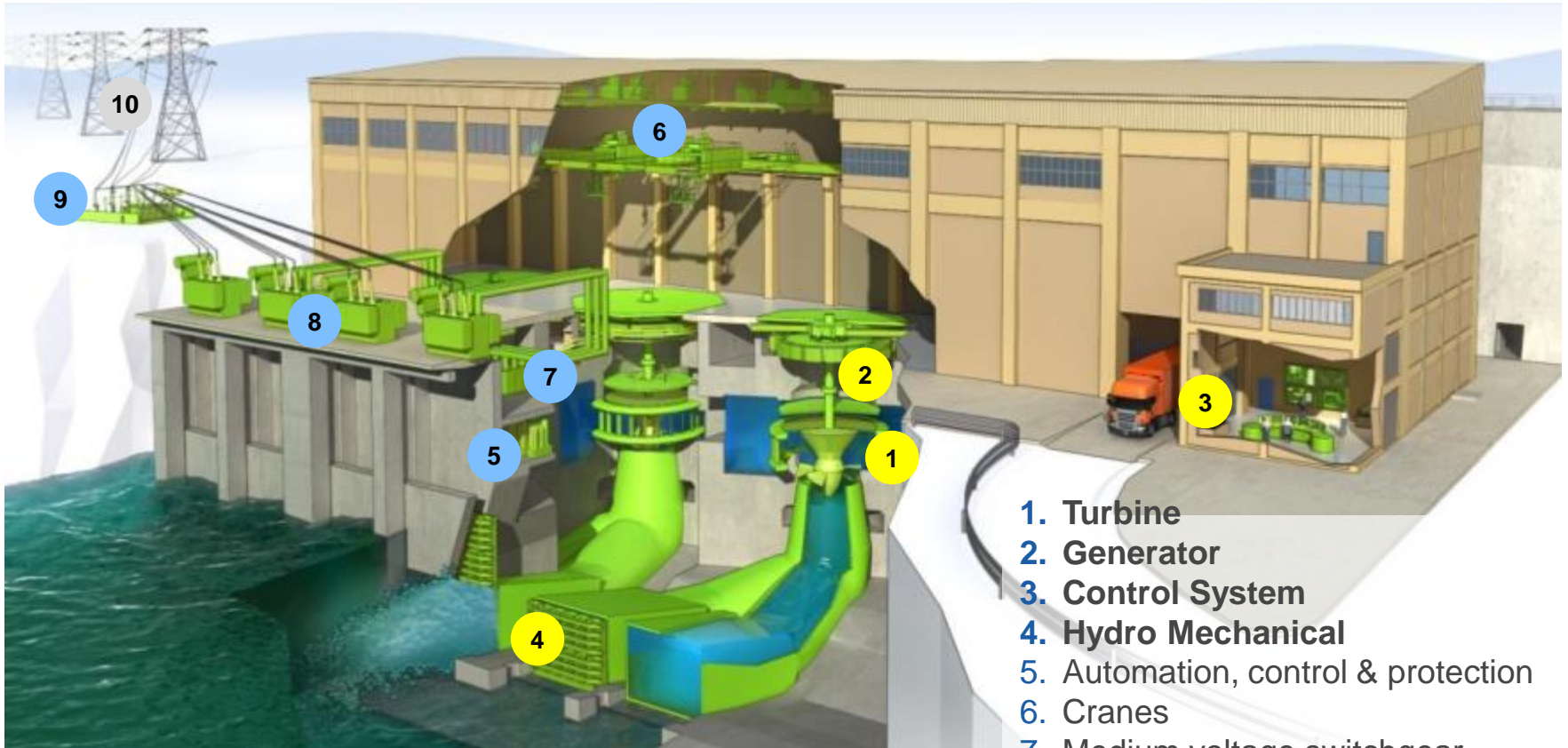
# Hydro Products





# GE's product Scope

The complete range of Hydro Power Plant equipment



1. Turbine
2. Generator
3. Control System
4. Hydro Mechanical
5. Automation, control & protection
6. Cranes
7. Medium voltage switchgear
8. Power transformer
9. High voltage switchgear
10. Transmission line

- GE Hydro solutions
- Products available from GE-EM
- EM

Third parties



# Hydro Products

## Turbines & Generators



Low Speed



Low Speed



Medium Speed



High Speed



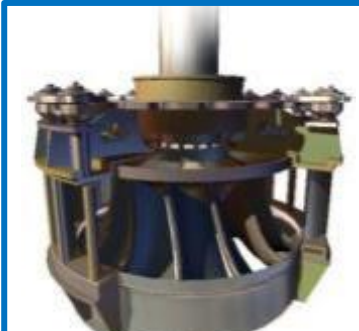
Motor Generator



Bulb



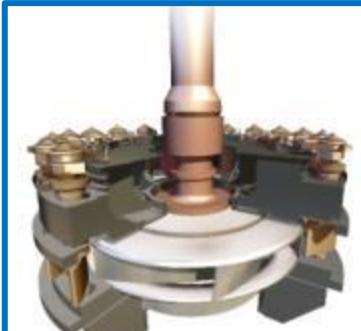
Kaplan



Francis



Pelton



Pump Turbine



# Hydro Products

## Control, Protection & Automation Systems



- Applicable to all types of hydropower plants, provide cost reduction and operating benefits
- Governing and excitation system for maximum performance of turbines and generators



# Hydro Products

## Hydro Mechanical Equipment



- Hydropower plants and dams
  - Valves, tailor-designed gates and penstocks, lifting equipment
- Irrigation dams and canals
  - Flow and level control equipment, large diameter and long pipes, pumps, valves, gates
- Water supply and sewerage
  - Water treatment, level & flow & pressure control equipment, pumps, pipes
- Industrial applications
  - Pumps & outfitting





# Hydro Products

## Balance of Plant (BOP)



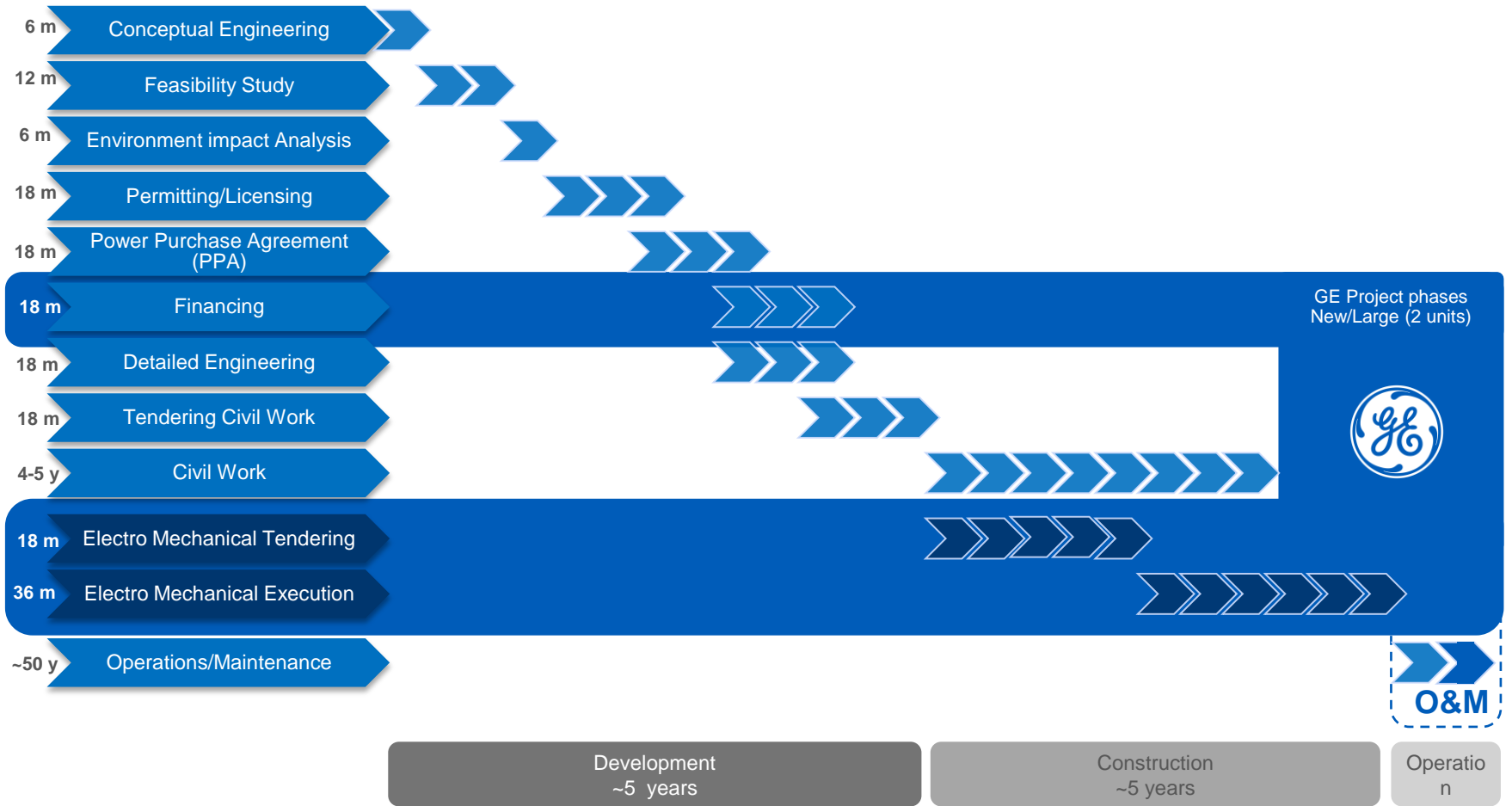
- Engineering and supply of all electrical and mechanical subsystems required for efficient operation of the Plant.
- Our expertise in BOP covers:
  - Electrical engineering / systems
  - Mechanical engineering / systems
  - Miscellaneous systems



# Hydro Project Cycle



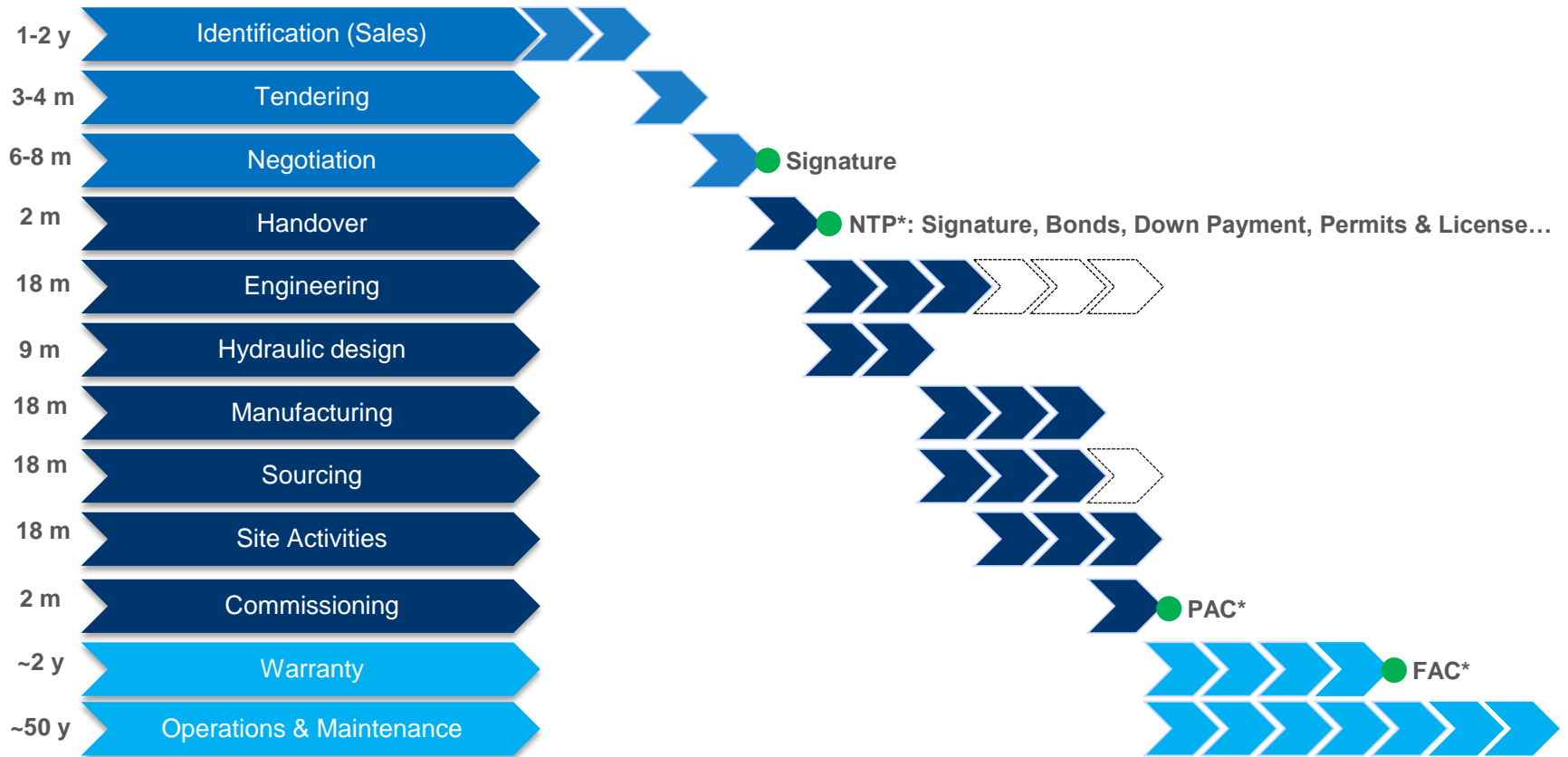
# Hydro Project Development (Typical) New/Large



PPA\*: Power Purchase Agreement



# GE Project phases New/Large (2 units)



NTP\*: Notice to proceed  
 PAC\*: Provisional Acceptance Certificate  
 FAC\*: Final Acceptance Certificate

**Inquiry to Order**  
~12 months

**Order to Remittance**  
~3 years

**Services & O&M**



# GE Hydraulic Design Process

