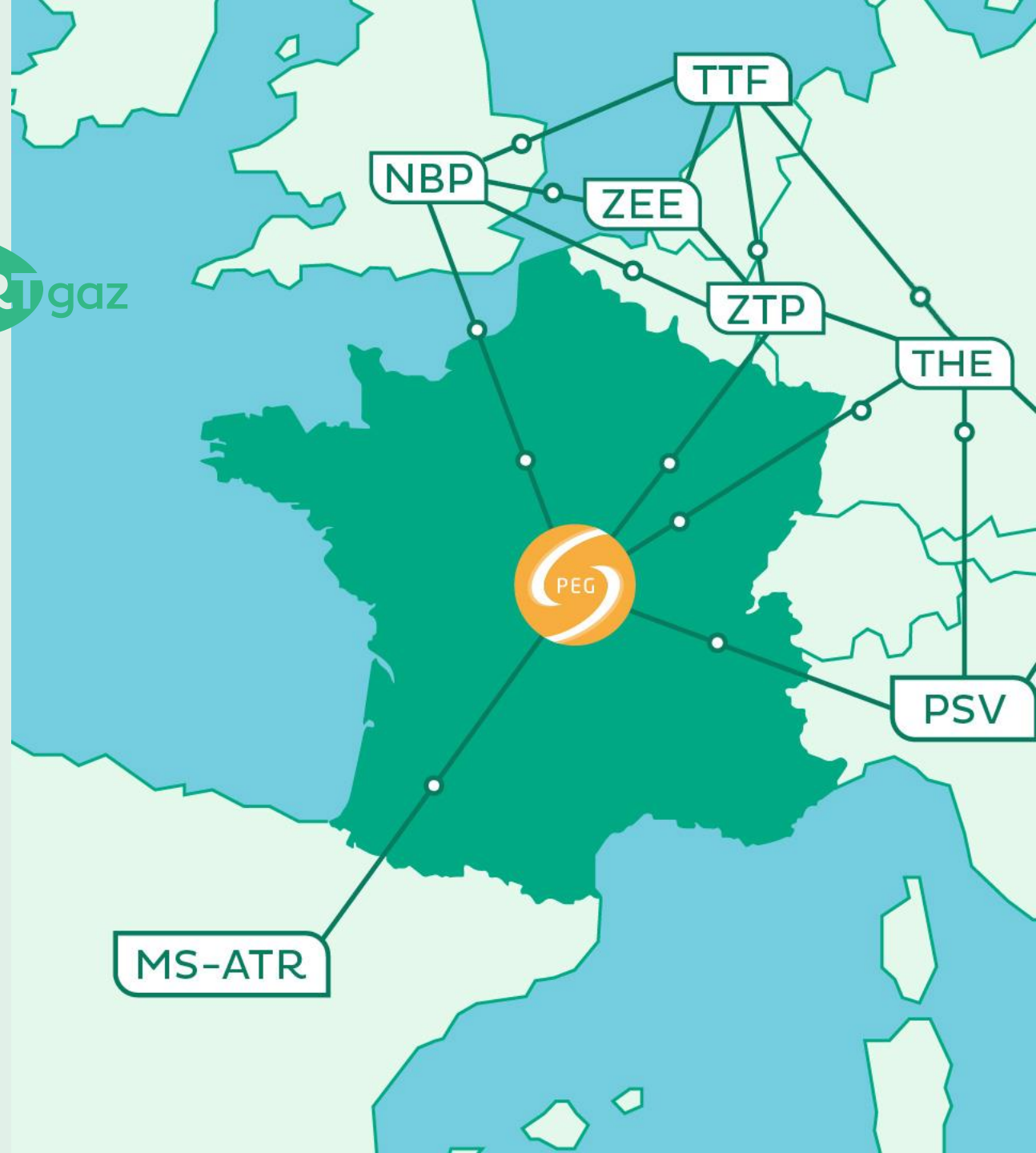


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Winter 21/22 lookback and Summer perspective

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Lookback on Winter

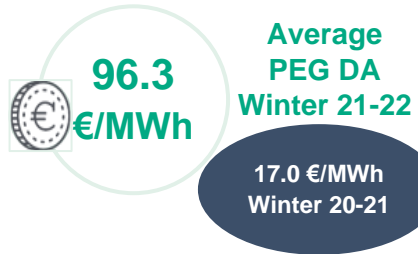


Perspective

- Extremely high and volatile prices in difficult geopolitical context, but PEG remains below other European prices
- Consumption: industry impacted by difficult context
- Flow summary: supply scheme reversed
- Massive LNG imports put France at heart of European flows
- Summer perspective
- Capacity developments

Prices pushed higher by Ukraine-Russia conflict

But PEG is below other European hubs

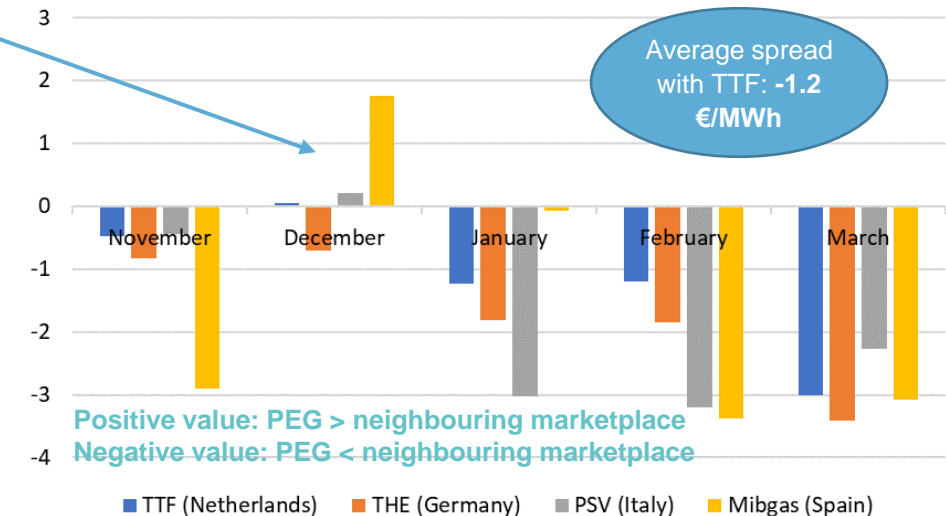


- Already tense situation entering Winter with low gas inventory across Europe and weak Russian supply
- **Prices very volatile and sensitive to context** change with some daily variations of dozens of €/MWh
 - ⇒ Late December cold spell sent PEG and TTF DA above 180 €/MWh
 - ⇒ And prices flipped in this period with Spain and Italy indices lower than France and Northern Europe
- The invasion of Ukraine triggered a period of two weeks with prices way above 100 €/MWh and even above 200 €/MWh during a couple of days
- Prices then retreated as gas flows remained steady and risks of short-term supply disruption faded away
- However **PEG remained below neighbouring hubs**, in particular thanks to better gas inventory compared to some other countries and good LNG access

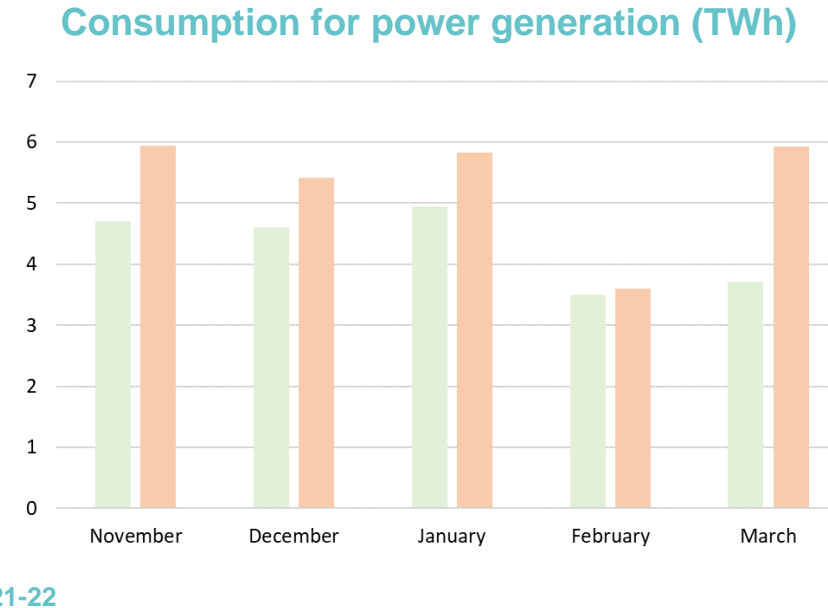
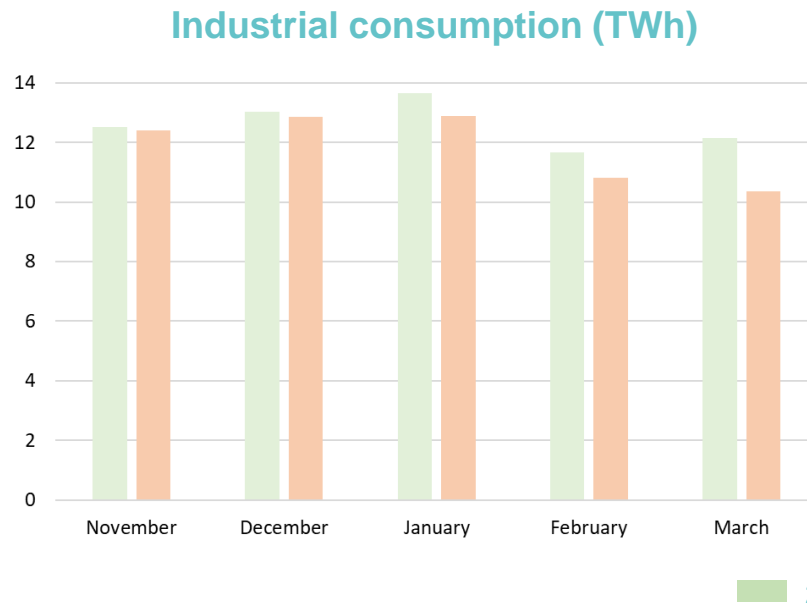
PEG Day-Ahead price (€/MWh)



Average spreads between PEG and other European hubs (€/MWh)



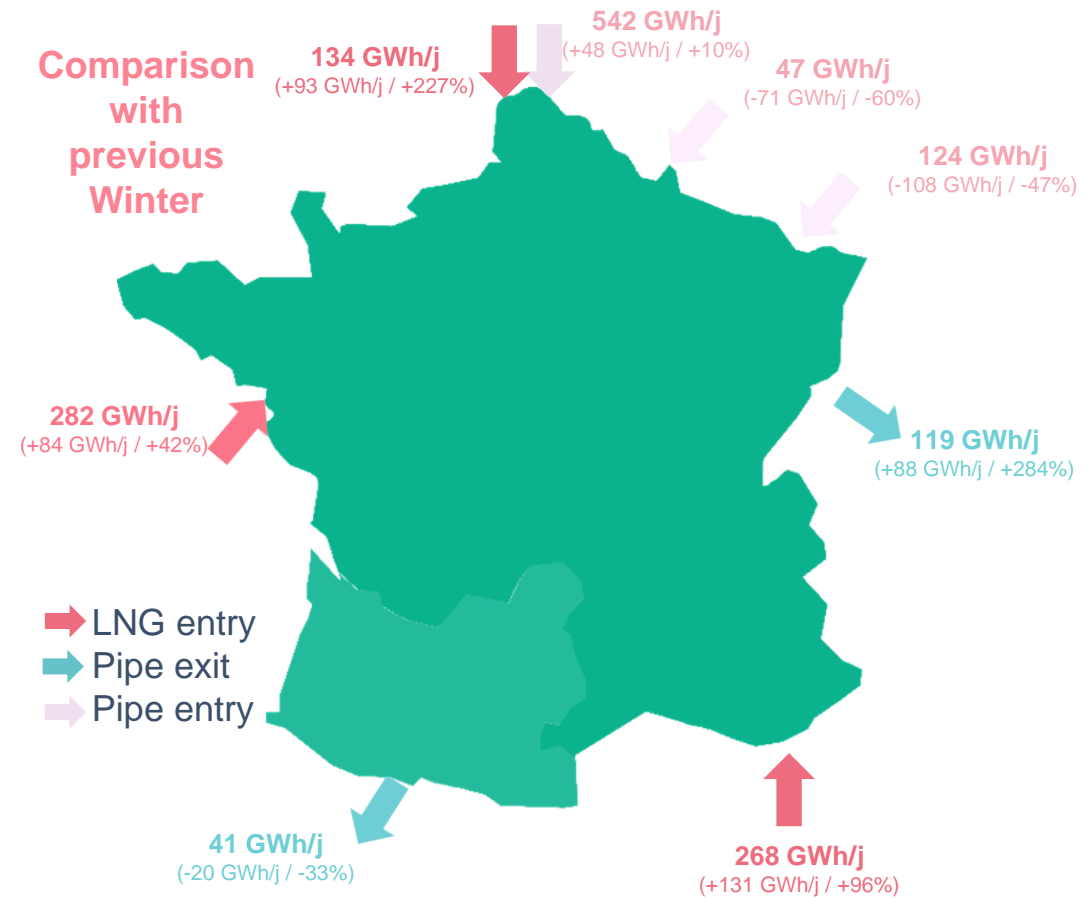
What impact on the industrial consumption?



- Industrial consumption still suffers from high prices of energy and raw materials and from scarcity of some components
- Situation amplified by war in Ukraine. In particular, -9% of industrial consumption in Q1 compared to Q1 2021
- However power generation from gas has rebounded due to low nuke availability and weak renewable production

TRF flows: tensions with Russian gas reversed supply schemes

- Overall net imports from Northern pipe entries and LNG terminals increased by 177 GWh/d on average compared with previous Winter
 - ⇒ Need to compensate **lower than usual gas inventory at the start of Winter**
 - ⇒ **Return of high transit to Switzerland and Italy** via Oltingue exit, after strong decrease of last Summer following TAP start-up. Due to low Russian supply in Italy
- Change of supply pattern with less pipe gas and more LNG
 - ⇒ Weak flow from Belgium and Germany due to **strong demand in Northern Europe, more dependant on Russian gas**
 - ⇒ Partially **compensated by more Norwegian pipe gas**
 - ⇒ In the meantime **LNG imports jumped by +82%** vs previous Winter with an all-time monthly record in January at 872 GWh/d (then improved again in April)
- In this context, exit to Spain at Pirineos decreased on average with Spain also benefitting of strong LNG imports
 - ⇒ Flow even **sustainably switched to Spain > France direction** from mid-February to supply Northern Europe



TRF proved robust in this new context

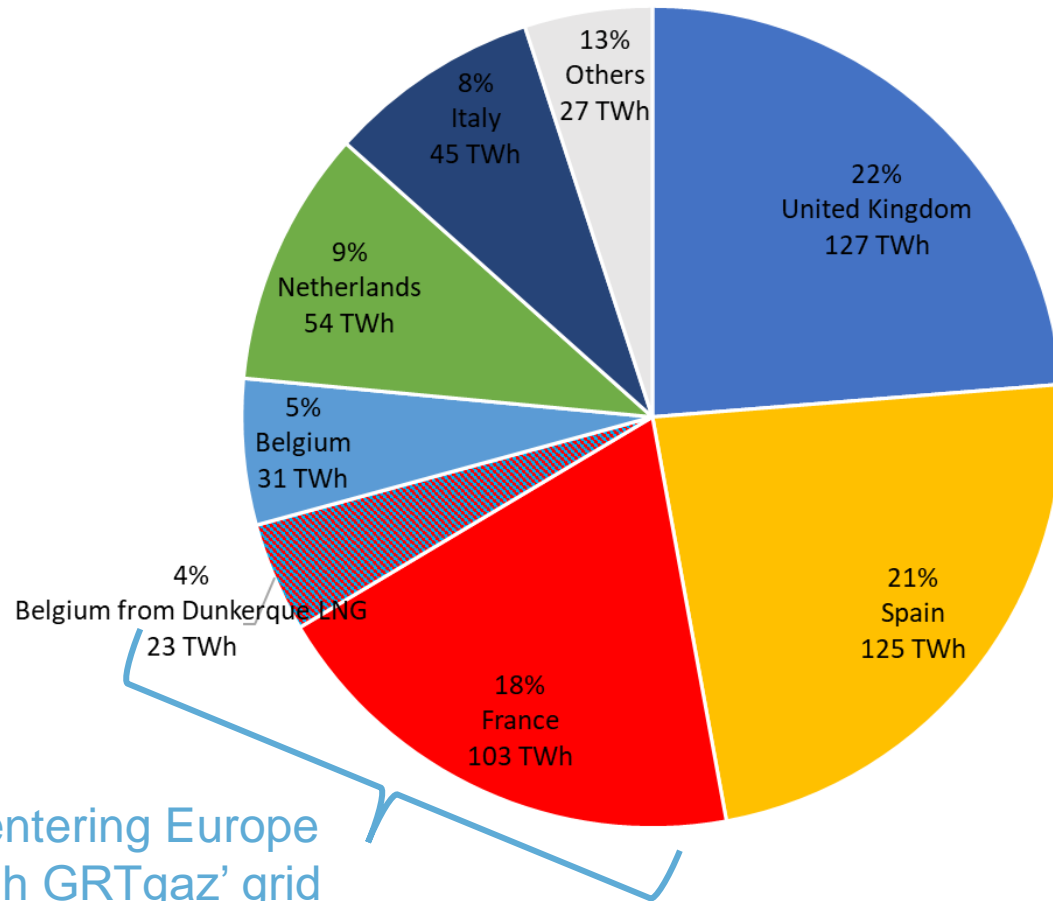
- TRF designed, with the market participants, assuming flows would mostly be from North to South
- Last Winter strong supply from Fos and Montoir terminals and from Spain generated frequent South to North flows
- Most of the time, TRF kept on running smoothly
- But on some days, congestions occurred
 - ⇒ Resolved thanks to a total of 3 Locational Spreads
 - ⇒ All successful at reasonable cost (138 k€)
- **TRF is flexible enough to adapt to the new situation**

3 Locational Spreads in January

- ✓ 1st in Winter
- ✓ 1st in South to North scheme
- ✓ All successful
- ✓ Average cost: 2.0 €/MWh

France is key to reduce Europe's dependency on Russian gas

LNG send-out in Europe November 2021 – March 2022



- Thanks to its four LNG terminals, France attracted 22% of LNG injected in Europe
 - ⇒ Nearly as much as UK and more than Spain
- Sent out either in France or in Belgium from Dunkerque LNG after having transited through GRTgaz' grid
- Allows supply from multiple sources to serve France and neighbouring countries thanks to several interconnection points

LNG entering Europe through GRTgaz' grid (22% of total)

Summer perspective



Tense context requires high storage filling this Summer with high LNG imports

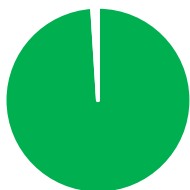
- Storage filling in France has begun at good pace (42% full on May 15th, +19 TWh year-on-year) however looming threat of Russian supply disruption **requires high storage filling** at the end of Summer
- Level **above the regulatory target of 85% filling should be targeted** to ensure continuity of supply next Winter
- Storage **filling should be maximized by importing lots of LNG**
- In **“Russian disruption” scenario** assuming from now on
 - ⇒ No entry from Germany
 - ⇒ Maximum exports to Switzerland and Belgium

High inventory in France is achievable but with **massive imports from LNG terminals and Spain**.
In line with what is currently observed though

For more details, see the [French TSOs Summer Outlook](#)

Summer Outlook simulations Russian disruption scenario as above

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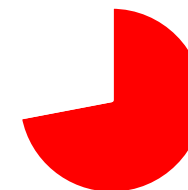
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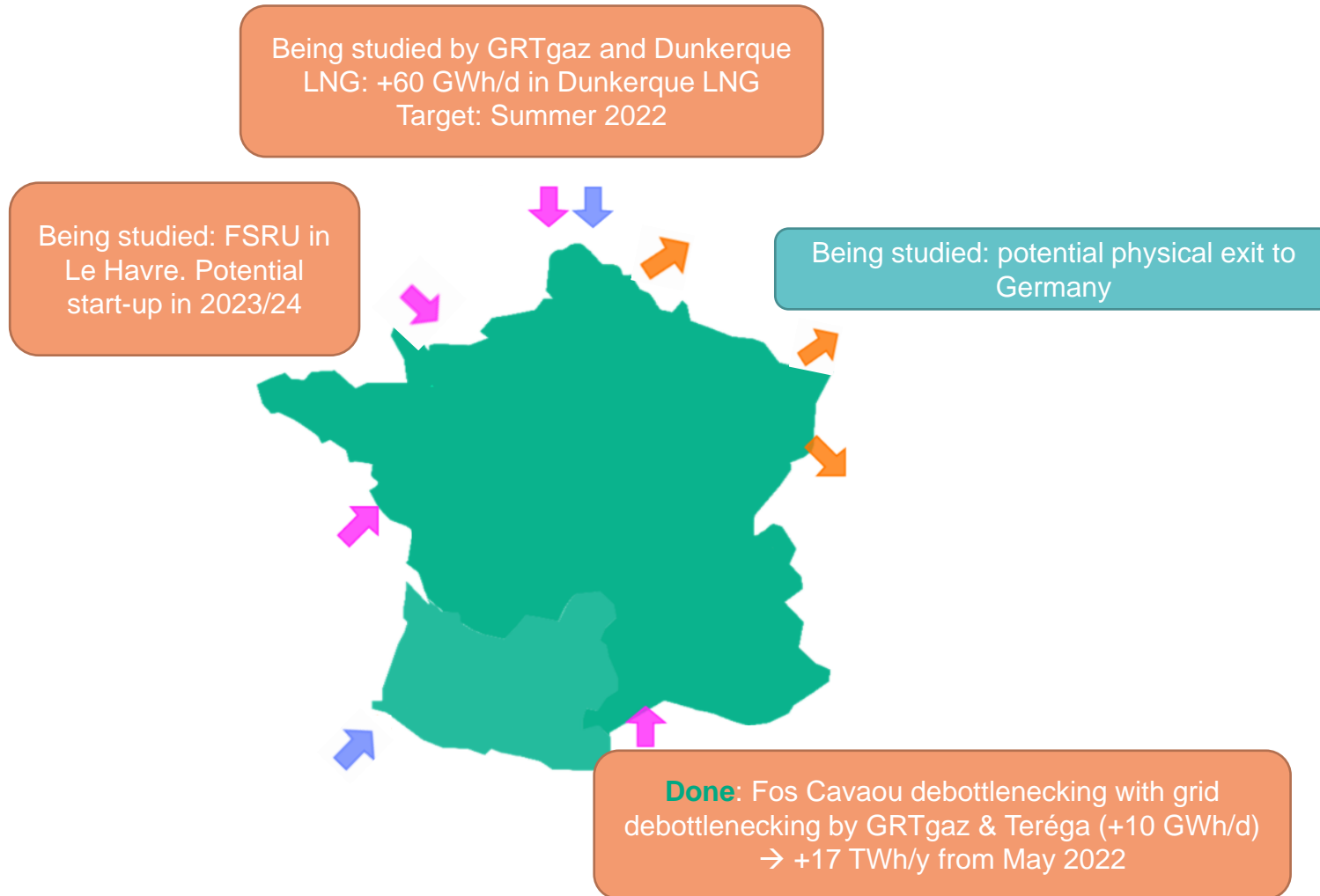
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Medium-term capacity development to maximize alternate supply



Objectives

- ⇒ Be ready in case of disruption of supply
- ⇒ Contribute to reduction of European dependency on Russian gas



Thank you