



# Flexible Software-Umgebung für Strommarkt- und Netzmodelle

**VAMOS** (VARIED MARKET-MODEL OPERATING SYSTEM)

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# Need to develop a Power Market Model?



## Understand fundamental changes in the European power market

- Complexity of power systems makes it impossible to manually assess simple input/output relations.
- Hence, power market models are needed for **detailed assessments** and estimations (market design, bidding zone configurations, grid extensions, network development plans).
- **In house development** of a simulation and optimization tool **started in 2013**.
- First prototype (Matlab/GAMS) of a model to assess changes of BZ-configurations ready in 2015.



## In house development project 2016-2019

- The first Bidding Zone Review (CACM Art. 31) triggered a further **software development**.
- The market model **prototype** was **transferred** to a software product.
- To make the tool **user friendly** for a **broad range of experts** from different departments, many process steps have been automated and complex interactions have been simplified.



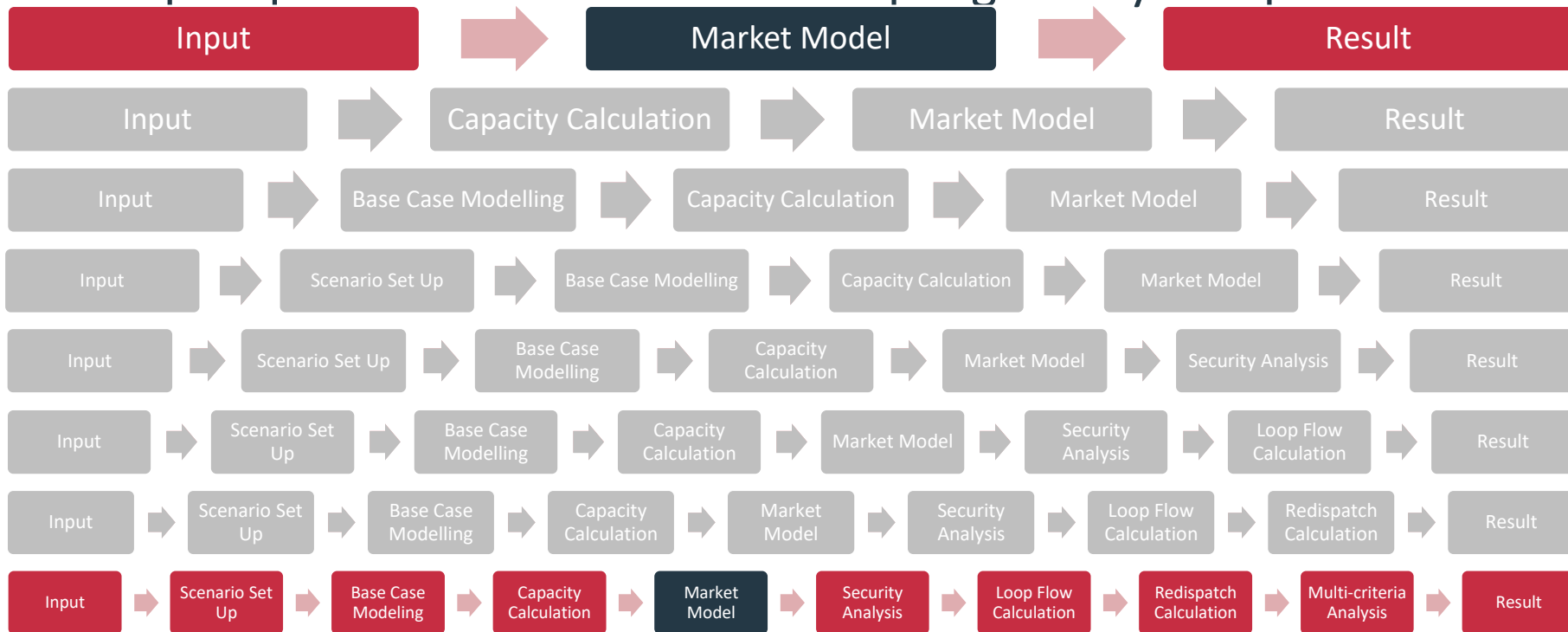
## Development of an own power market modelling simulation facility – VAMOS

**VAMOS – Varied Market Model Operating System.**

# Power market assessments I



A complex process chain – Market Coupling is only one part



# Operating system?



In difference to a „plain“ market model, VAMOS is an operating system

## Challenges

- **Infeasible or implausible outcomes** of modules often lead to manual feedback loops between different modules (e.g. negative RAMs in FB capacity calculation).
- A lot of **data** to process, preparations and transformations of data for dedicated tools.
- **Distributed** in-house expert **knowledge** (market, grid operation and asset management).
- **Dependent on** (single) **experts** for performing simulations.
- Each **scenario** to be **prepared separately** and **laboriously**.
- Only **one simulation per time**.

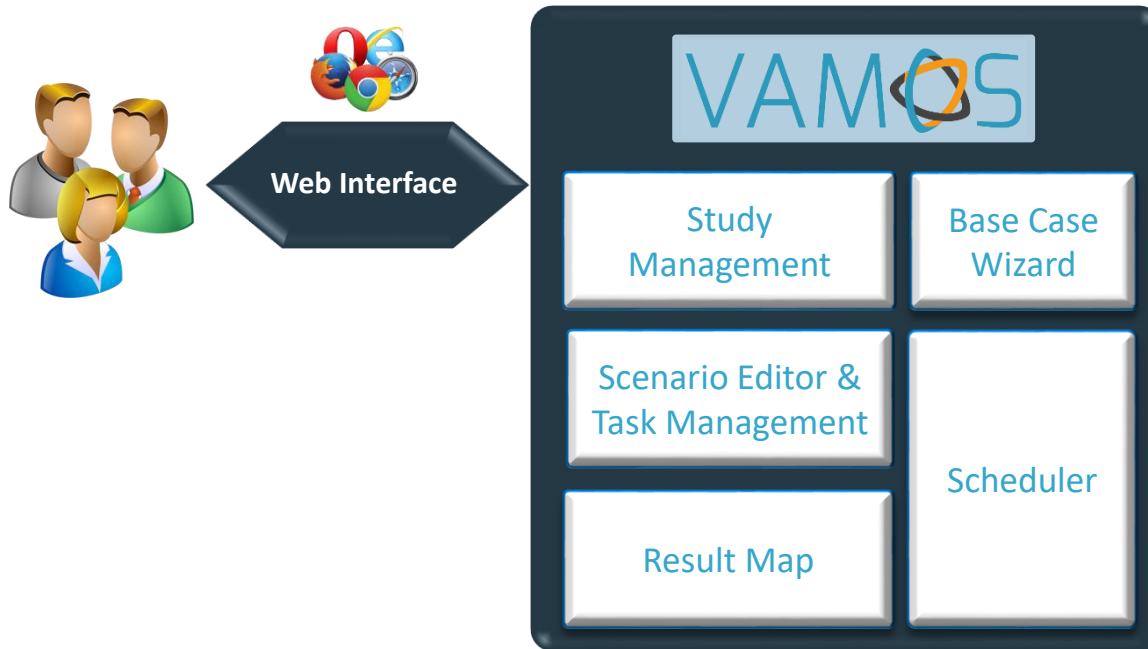
## Solutions

- Automation of process chain & consistency checks over process chain.
- Tools for big data transformation, formatting, visualization.
- Experts are brought together at one and easy accessible platform.
- Multiple experts can access and work with VAMOS on different tasks.
- Easy and quick tools for scenario set up & reusable editing-tasks.
- Parallel simulations & queueing.

VAMOS

# Architecture

## Web based access





# Base Case Wizard



## Step by step wizard for setting up a scenario base-case record


- Once a **base-case record** is set up, it **can be re-used** as a starting point for new scenarios
- Fundamental input data can be uploaded in csv or xlsx format
- Basic checks are immediately performed to ensure feasibility at the best
  - Plausibility checks of all uploaded data
  - Balance checks over the whole simulation area, each market area, and each grid element
  - **Big advantage:** infeasibilities and implausibilities can be caught or at least monitored at a very early stage

**VAMOS** CONTROL CENTER STUDIES SCENARIOS SYSTEMLOG USERSETTINGS EXPERT WIZARD Fluid

SCENARIO EXPERT WIZARD

Scenario	Universe	World	Market Areas	Grid Topology	Summary Of Topology	Nodes	Lines	Demand per Country	Demand per Node	Plants	Plants Report	Revisions	Generation Wind & Solar	Generation Run of River	Renewables Report	Reservoirlevel / Inflow
Total Grid Balance	Nodal Residual Load Report	Prices	NTC	Market Area Residual Load Report	Total Result Overview	NTC Run										

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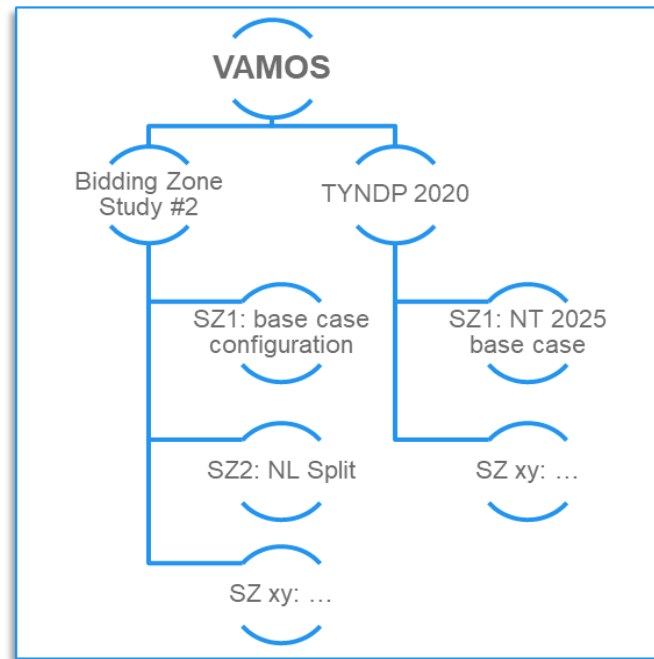
To start the NTC run: Switch to the Scenario View

# Study & Scenario Management



## Tree oriented file management

- For calculations a new study can be set up.
- A study may consists of several scenarios.
- Different studies and scenarios can be viewed, copied, partly edited and executed by different users.
- Studies and scenarios can be archived, searched and the results could be compared using different criteria.

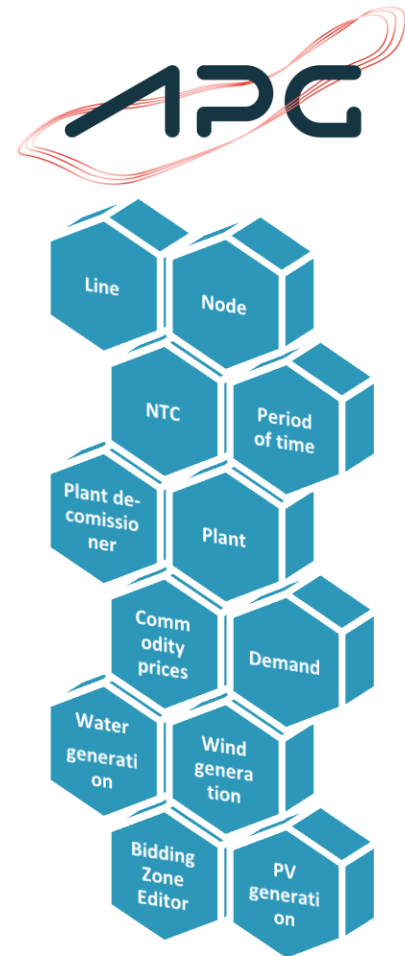


# Scenario Editors & Task Management

Setting up new scenarios can be time consuming → supporting tools

VAMOS Provides tools for supporting changes of base case scenarios

- Many assessments are **starting from base cases** → **sensitivities to be assessed**
- For example common TSO tasks: e.g. define a **new bidding zone**, building a **new line**, **grid node** or change a **NTC**.
- But also **other important parameters** can be changed easily: e.g. commodity prices, power plant phase outs, RES generation.
- Each setting from an editor can be saved as **task** and re-used for future set ups.
- These single tasks can be packed to a **bunch of tasks** → **called project** and also re-used for upcoming set ups.





## Customization, flexibility, scalability, parallel execution

- An assessment chain can be build up; called calculation rule
- Modules are batched and linked.
- Each module can be exchanged, adapted or extended → customized.
- Even different calculation rules can be used at a time

- Model chain is executed as defined in the configuration file and dependent on CPU load.
- VAMOS is able to keep processes in a queue and start them as soon as resources are available.
- Many scenarios can be started and processed in parallel.
- With current APG hardware ~10 scenarios (8760h) can be calculated in parallel.



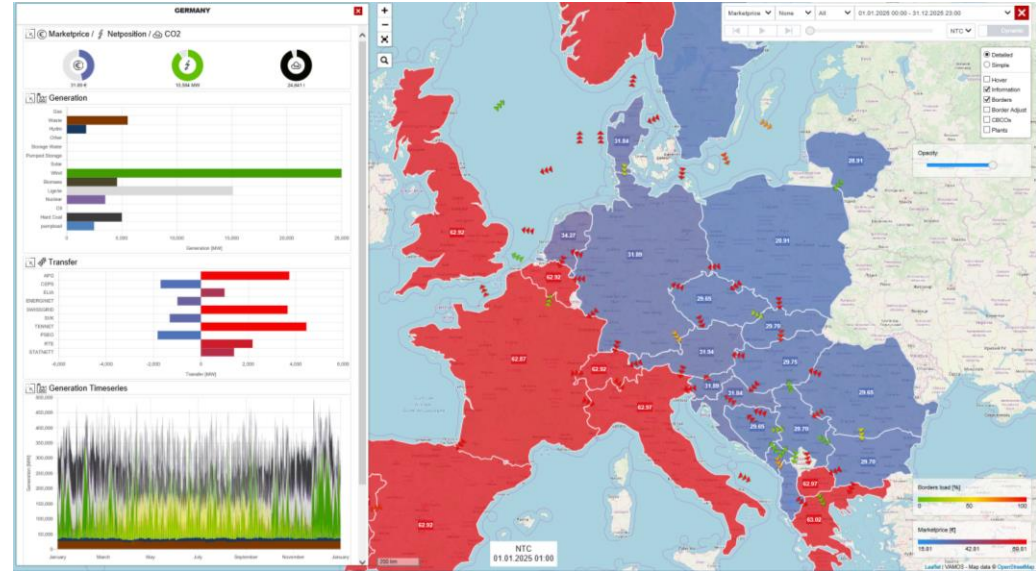
# Result Map



## Detailed georeferenced result depiction

### Quick and user friendly data exploration

- Results can be viewed on a georeferenced-map immediately after a calculation step has finished.
- Detailed information can be shown and selected for all timestamps.
- Raw data can be exported in csv format.



# VAMOS

LIVE DEMO



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# Scheduler



## Customization & parallel execution

### The scheduler handles the calculation flow

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### Current APG tools and defined chain

Market Coupling Base Case Calculation



Interface writer (uct, gsk, xlsx)



Capacity Calculation



Market Coupling Flow Based/NTC



Interface writer (uct, xlsx)



Loadflow Calculation



Loopflow Calculation



Redispatch Calculation



Aggregations & Result formatting



# Advantages of VAMOS



## Transparent

- Sharing of expert knowledge
- Full transparency in data handling, transformation and formatting

## Customizable

Sequence of model chain and core tools can be customized

## Base Case Wizard

- Guided base case building
- PEMMDB data can mostly be used as an input

## Scenario Editors

- Easy and fast change of up-and-running base scenarios
- For supporting quick sensitivity calculations

## Role Management

- Different authorizations for users configurable
- Multi-client capability (planned)

## High Scalability

VAMOS software architecture is set up with a high scalability

## Easy User Access

Web based

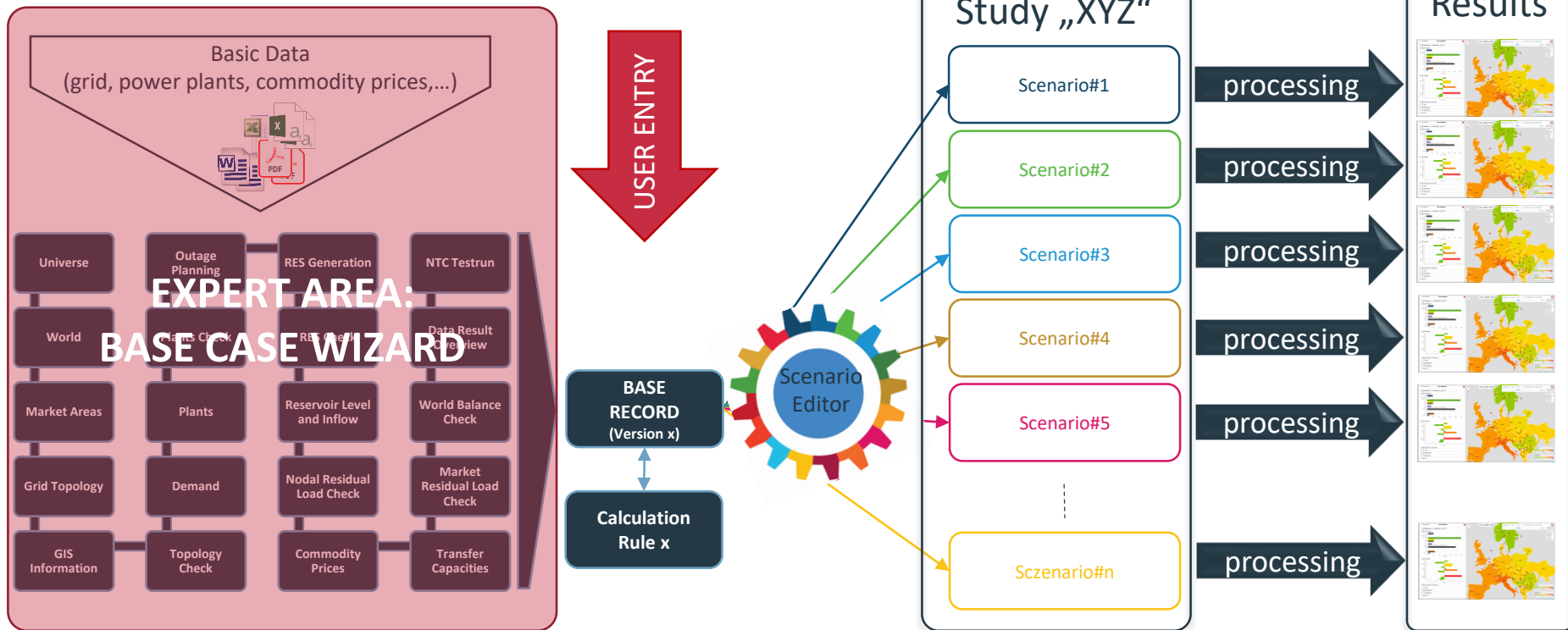
## Tailor Made

TSO assessment needs are directly addressed



# Workflow

Fast and user friendly scenario set up



# Next Steps



- Share expertise and know how.
- Change/integrate other tools & modules.
- Build up a community for multi-disciplinary simulations and calculations.
- Perform simulations and analysis of different current TSO questions coming from new regulations