Storage – Perspectives from Northwest Europe



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Structure

- Past appraisal
- Current activities
- Some key challenges
- Bankable storage what does it mean?
- How much storage capacity do we need?
- What next?



Past and ongoing appraisal

- Regional and national capacity estimates
- Largely based on volumetric estimates of theoretical storage capacity
- Examples include:
 - GESTCO
 - UK Storage Appraisal, CO2 Stored
 - Norwegian Atlas
 - Netherlands
- Results in estimates of very large but theoretical storage capacity
- Insufficient detailed knowledge for developers to choose specific sites

What is the point?

- To provide policymakers with data to enable them to decide if CO2 storage is feasible in their country
- To allow potential storage project developers to select putative sites for detailed site appraisal
- To allow governments to plan CCS infrastructure



To catalyse the provision of storage 'services'

Site-specific appraisal

- UK:
 - CO2 Stored: High-level appraisal of over 500 possible sites
 - Detailed site investigations for storage permits at Goldeneye & Endeavour
 - Five sites appraised in detail (desk study & simulations) from 20 screened
- Norwegian site appraisal for three sites Statoil
- Netherlands appraisals for ROAD (1st and only storage permit awarded) – P18 & Q16



CO₂ Stored

All very good but is it enough...?

- What do developers need from storage appraisal?
 - Portfolio of sites in the right places & available when needed
 - Enough capacity (guaranteed)
 - Efficient (good value) injectivity
 - Always available and flexible
- What do regulators & policy makers need from storage?
 - Safe and permanent containment
 - No risk to other resources
 - Efficient use of subsurface
 - Jobs and economic returns



So what do we do?

- Linear chain CCS projects have not been very successful in Europe
- Need to rethink:
 - Provide transport & storage service to enable multiple capture projects to invest
 - Both industry and power
 - Provide guaranteed and flexible storage service
 - Focus on clusters to enable FIDs



What does this mean in practice?

- Transport and storage separate business from capture
- Public investment to provide a 'portfolio' of bankable storage options
- Strategic planning of infrastructure
 - Routes
 - Capacities
 - Design



What is bankable storage?

 "...a bankable site is a storage site that has been evaluated such that sufficient confidence exists in technical and cost elements, to support final investment decisions for commercial-scale projects."

IEAGHG, 2011/10, Sept 2011

- This means:
 - Storage permit obtained
 - All FEED completed
- Only three sites are (almost) at this stage (Goldeneye, Endurance, P18) though Sleipner and Snohvit could be

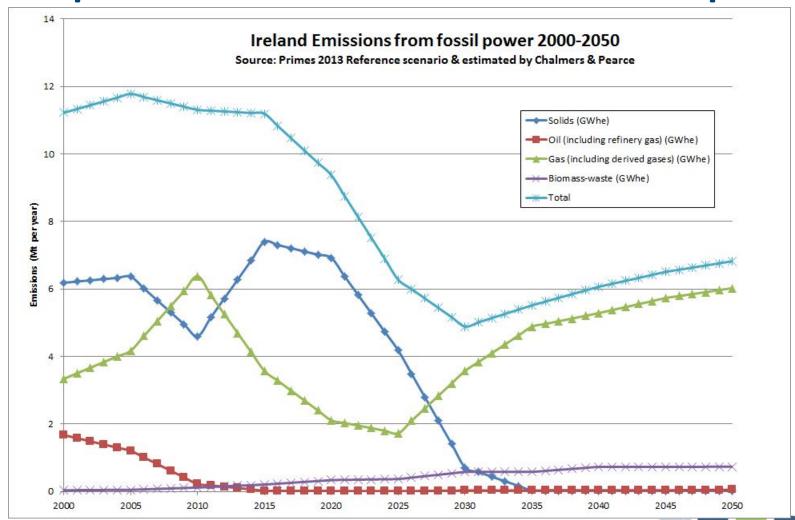


How much capacity do we need?

- Estimate emissions from Primes 2013 reference scenario
- Simulations of electricity generated by fuel type in GWhe pa to 2050 taking account of current MS & European policies
- Estimate emissions per fuel type and sum cumulative emissions
- Note:
 - Only fossil-power (industrial emissions excluded)
 - Norway excluded
 - Assume 90% capture rate on all emissions

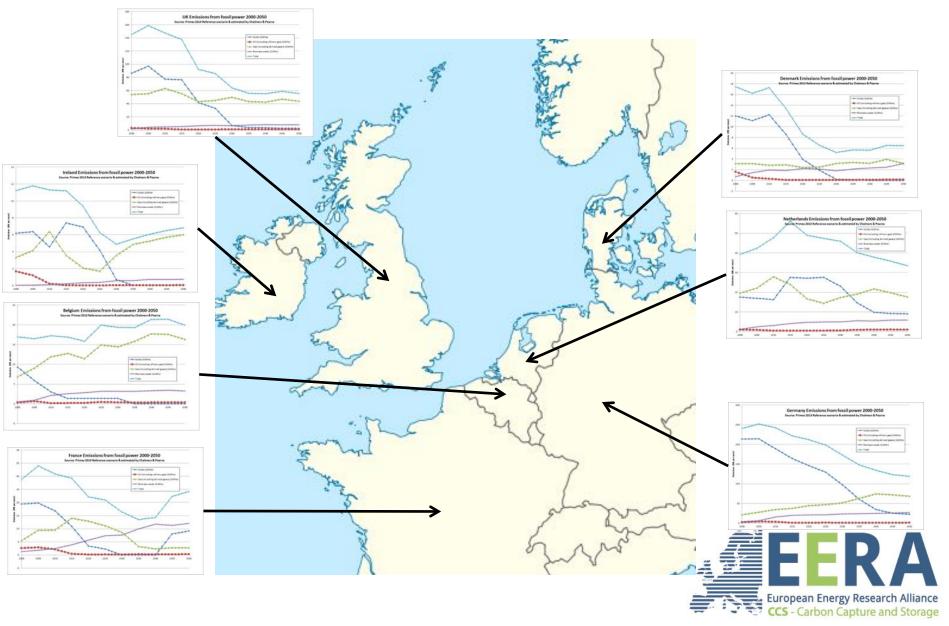


Example of emissions to 2050 from fossil power

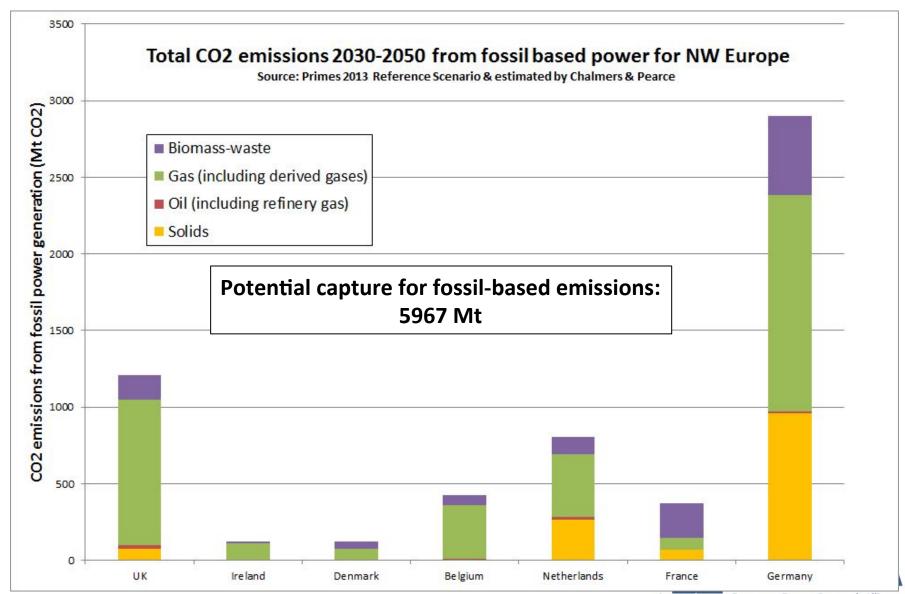




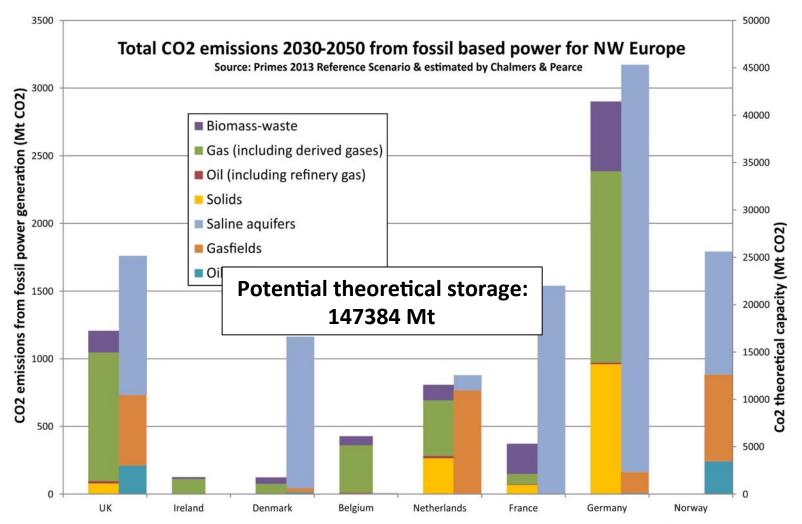
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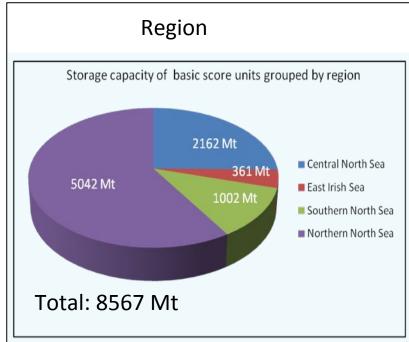
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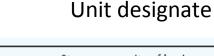


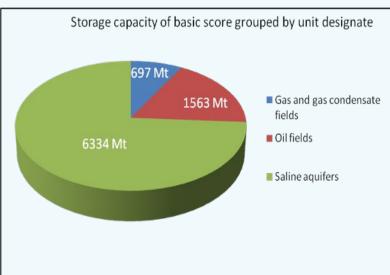


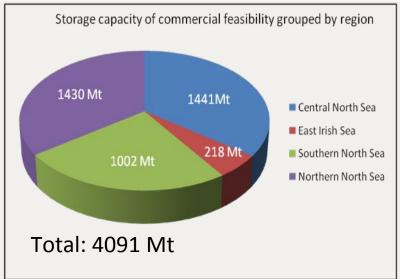
Storage capacities of credible storage in UK

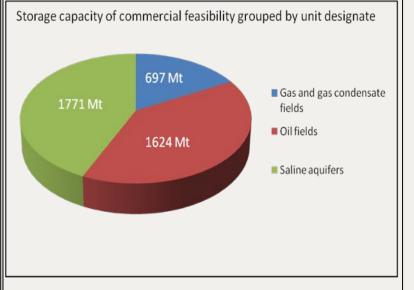






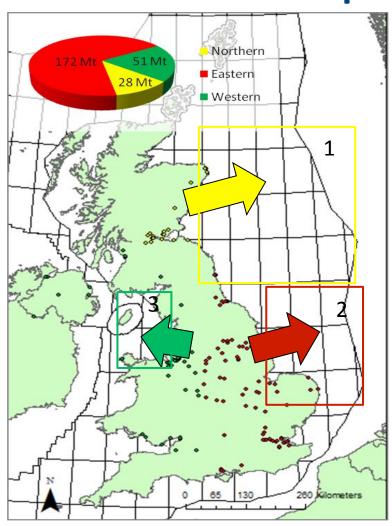


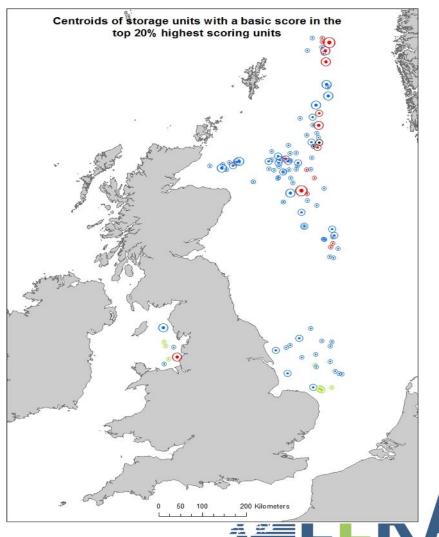




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How do we develop storage to meet national and regional capture requirements?





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Summary

- Theoretical capacity has been identified
- Detailed appraisal started to provide a portfolio of sites
- Not yet bankable storage as need to connect to transport and undertake (pre-)FEED for costs
- How do we select sites to enable transport and storage provision to develop?
- Are clusters a reasonable approach?
- How do we enable appraisal to make sites bankable?

