



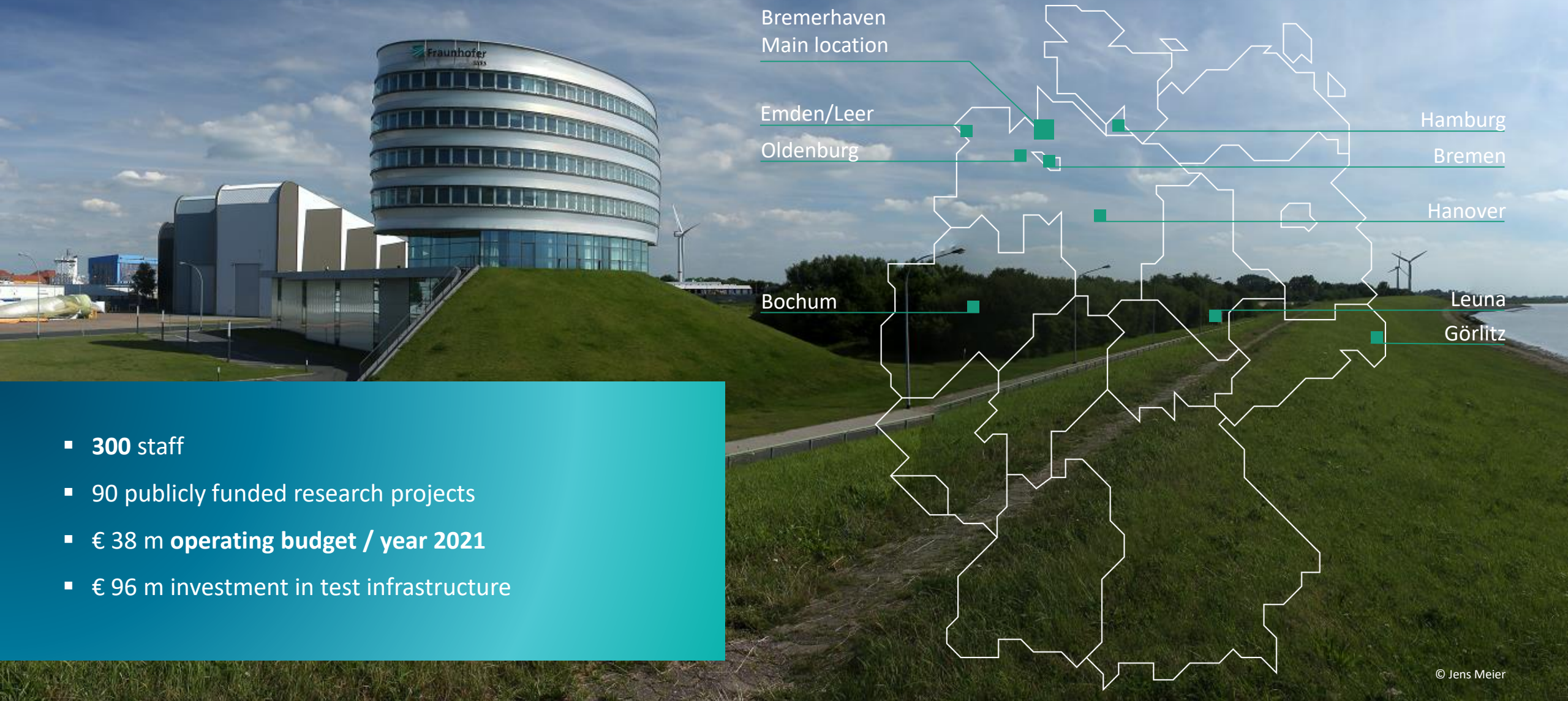
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# Insight into PQ4Wind Project

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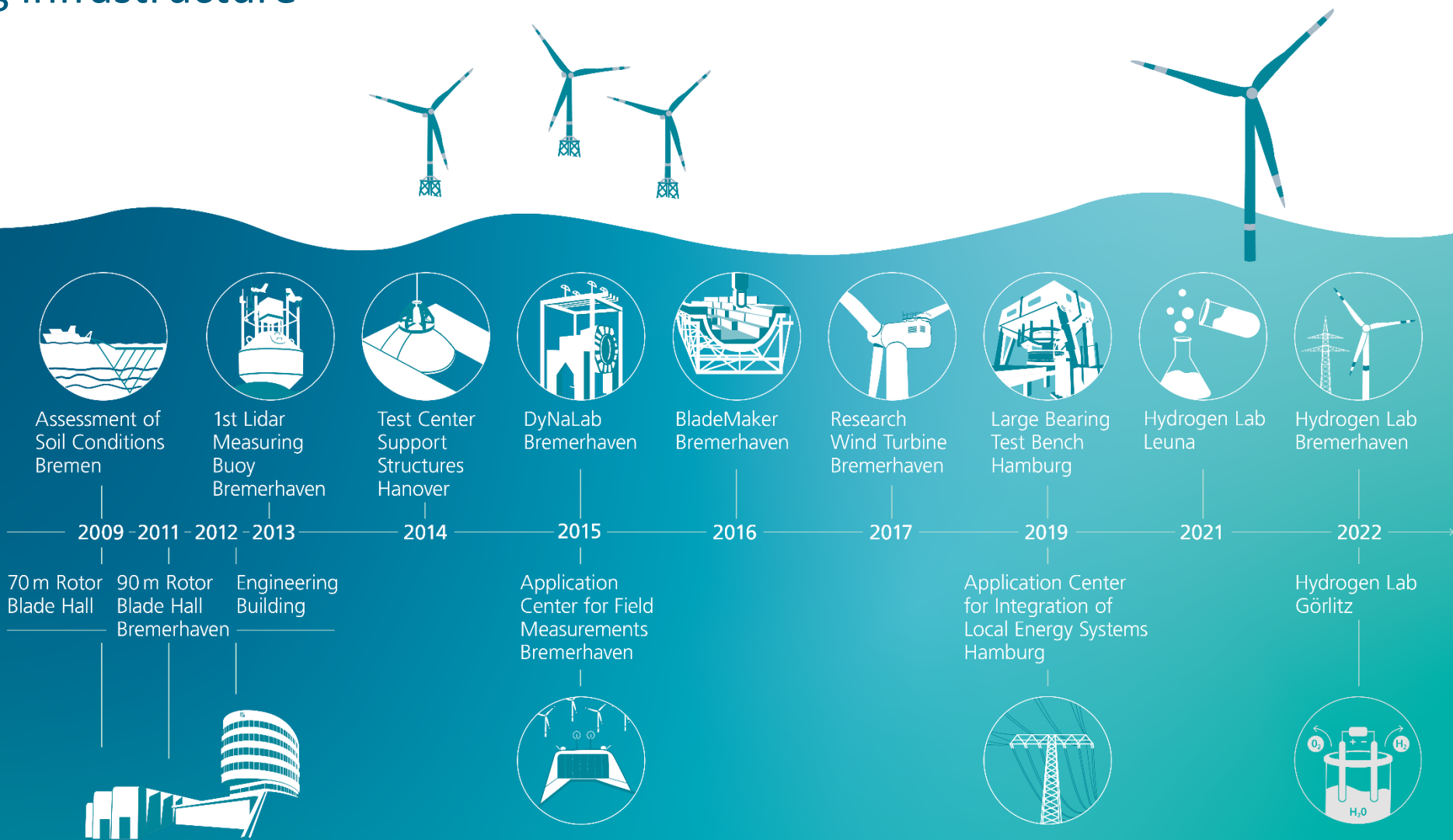


- **300** staff
- 90 publicly funded research projects
- € 38 m **operating budget / year 2021**
- € 96 m investment in test infrastructure

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# Our testing infrastructure

2009–2022



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# Research and service spectrum of IWES



Test infrastructure



Digitalization



Offshore



Hydrogen

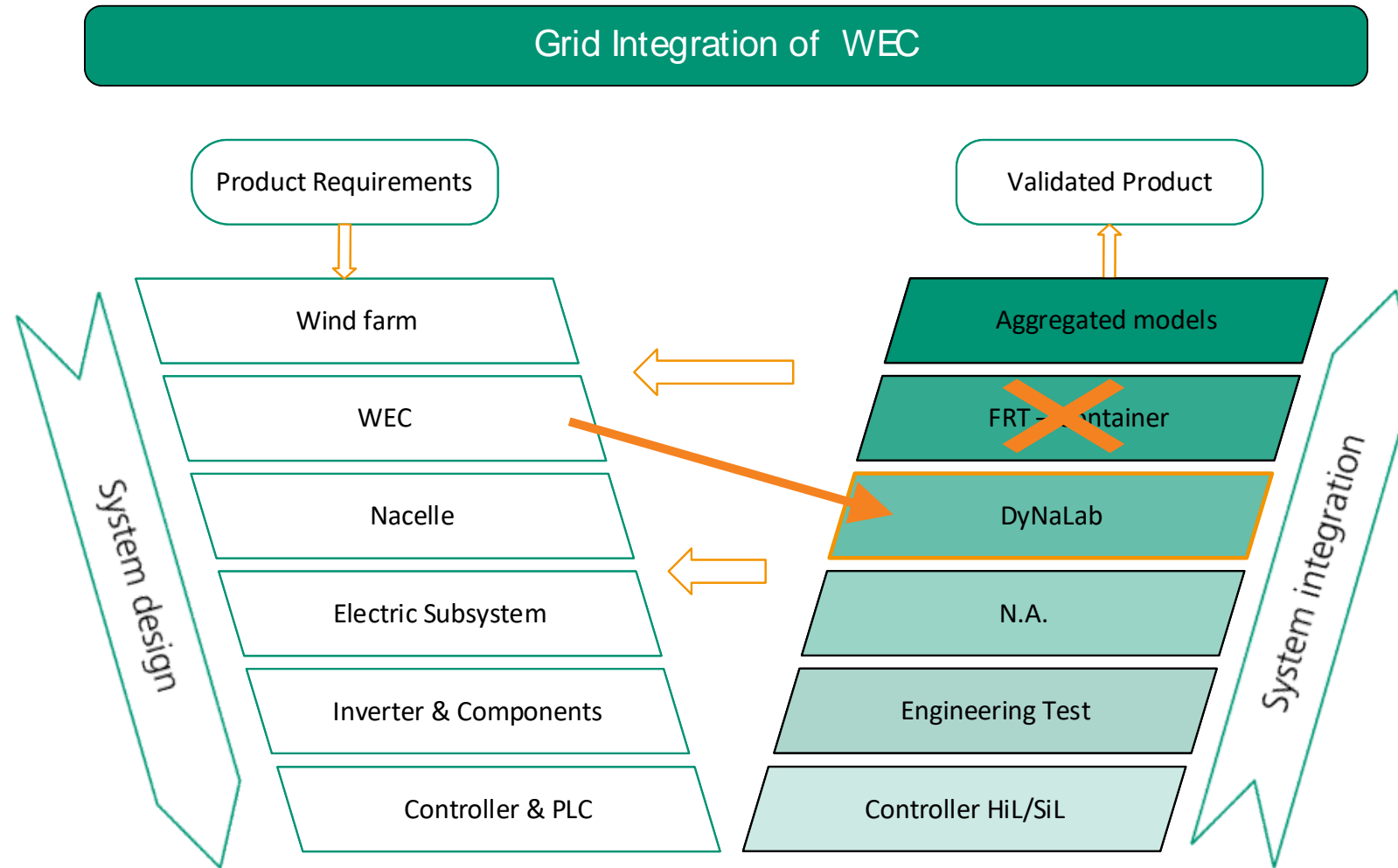
Nacelle testing



Grid integration testing of wind turbines on test benches

# Motivation grid integration testing of wind turbines on test benches

Agenda 2012



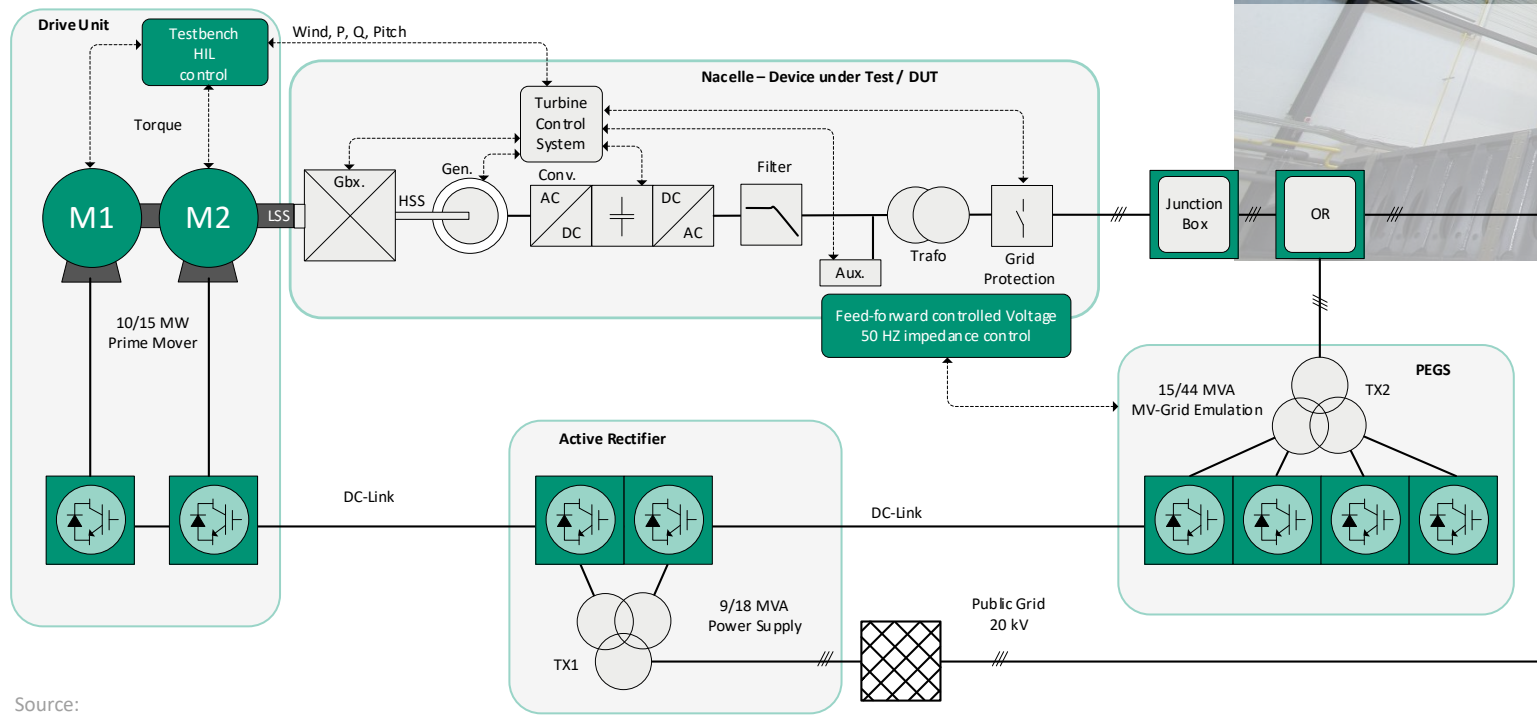
- Substitute field testing
- Performing all tests according to IEC 61400-21-1 or TR3 on test benches
- Reduce time to market
- Saving cost
- FRT tests cause the biggest problems in the field
- **Implement what is technically feasible**

# DyNaLab

## Keypoints

### Nacelle test bench

- Functional system testing
- Drive train testing
- Generator testing
- Grid compliance Testing



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### Key points

- 10 MW motor @11 rpm
- 8600 MNm torque
- 150% overload capacity
- Highest control performance
- DUT attachment system in 5 DOF
- 44 MVA medium voltage grid emulator



# Grid Emulator

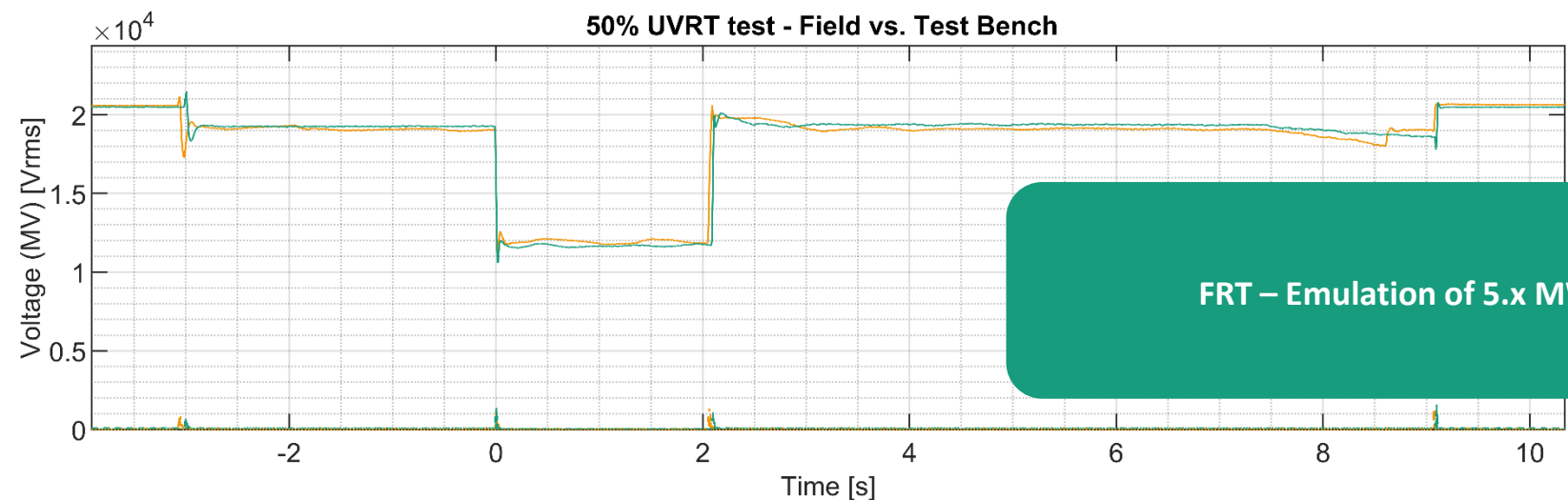
## Keypoints



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- Continuous power 15.3 MVA
  - $4 \times 11 = 44$  MVA installed inverter power for transient events
- 10/20/33 kV nominal Voltage
  - Dynamic voltages for UVRT and HVRT events
  - Voltage 0% till 140%
- Frequency 50/60 Hz  $\pm$  5 Hz
  - RoCoF 19,6 Hz/s
- Low THD<sub>50</sub> below 3 %
  - Various HF-Filter settings possible, changing switching frequencies
- Grid characteristic changeable by emulation
  - Weak till strong grid conditions
  - Dynamic changes of grid impedance
- Semi automatic testing operation

# FRT Emulation with 44 MVA grid emulator



FRT – Emulation of 5.x MW WEC (Type3)

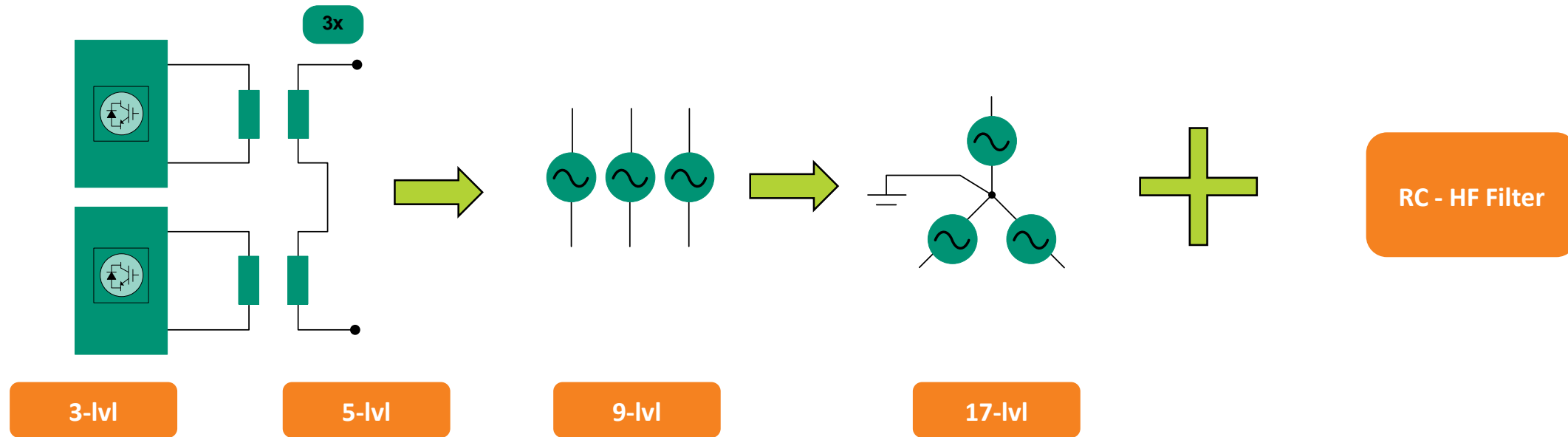
Harmonic measurements

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# Grid Emulator

Build on industrial proven MV IGCT technology



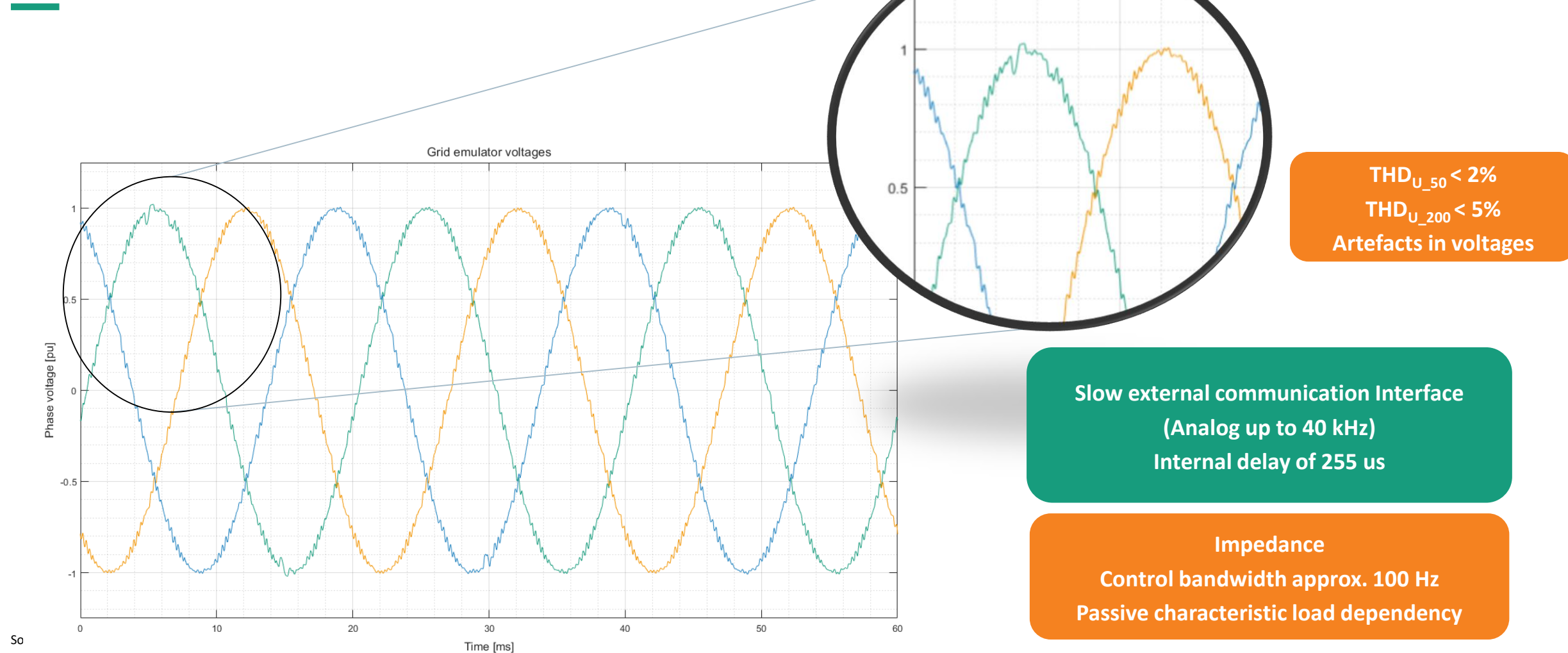
- Low switching frequency
- Lower harmonics cancellation due to transformer configuration

- Highest controllability due to single transformer topology
- High cut-off frequency of filter to allow dynamic operation

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# Technological drawbacks of multi-megawatt grid emulators

## Harmonics and impedance



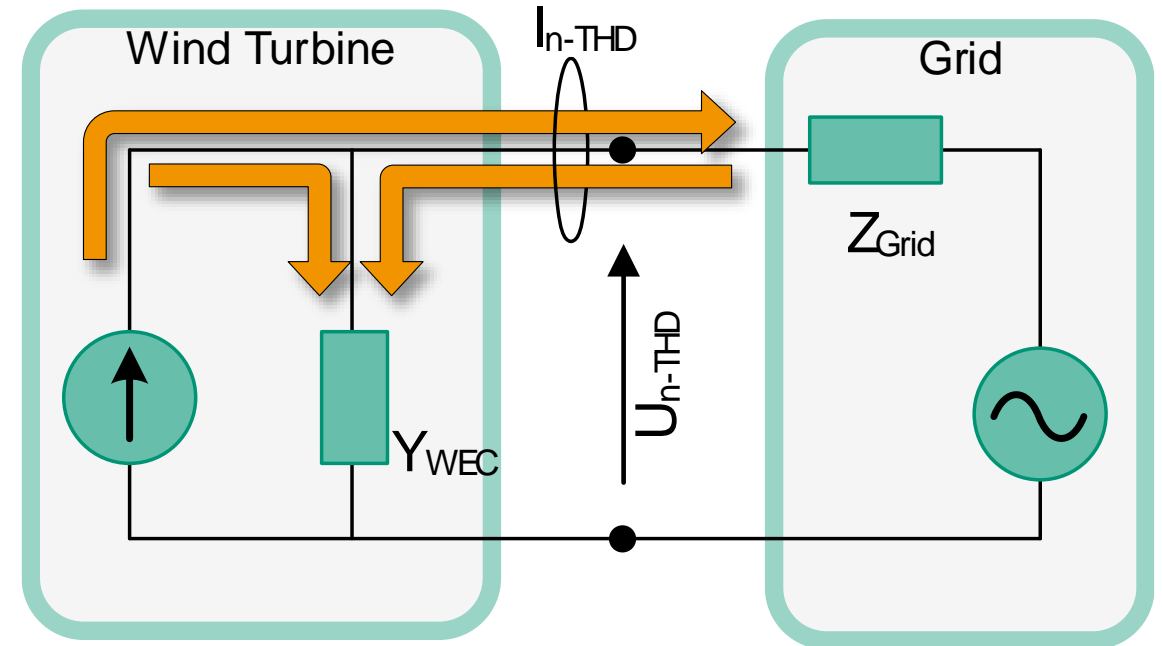
# Motivation of PQ4Wind

## Generalized harmonic measurement and impedance characterization

- Harmonic measurement method in IEC is only valid for single measurement location
  - Unknow background noise
  - Unknow grid impedance
  - Unknow wind turbine
  - Single point measurement



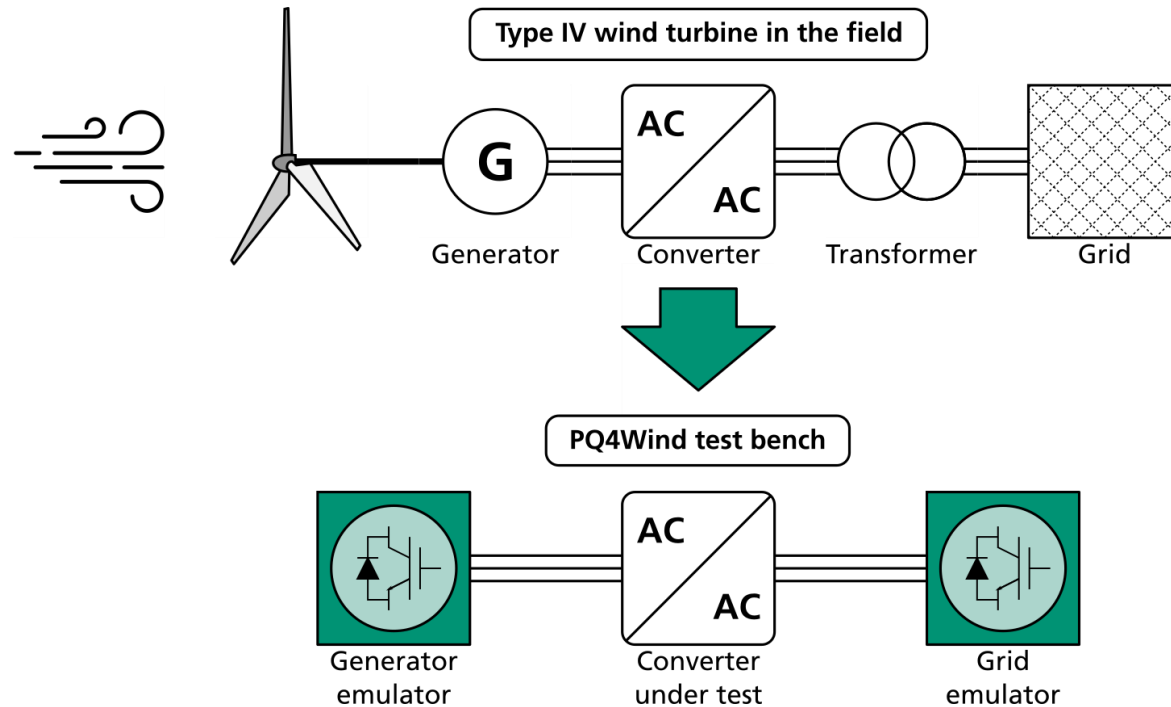
- Testbench has to control harmonics and impedance in a wide bandwidth
- Impedance validation by single ton harmonic injection



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# PQ4Wind - Testing on component level



## PQ4Wind test bench

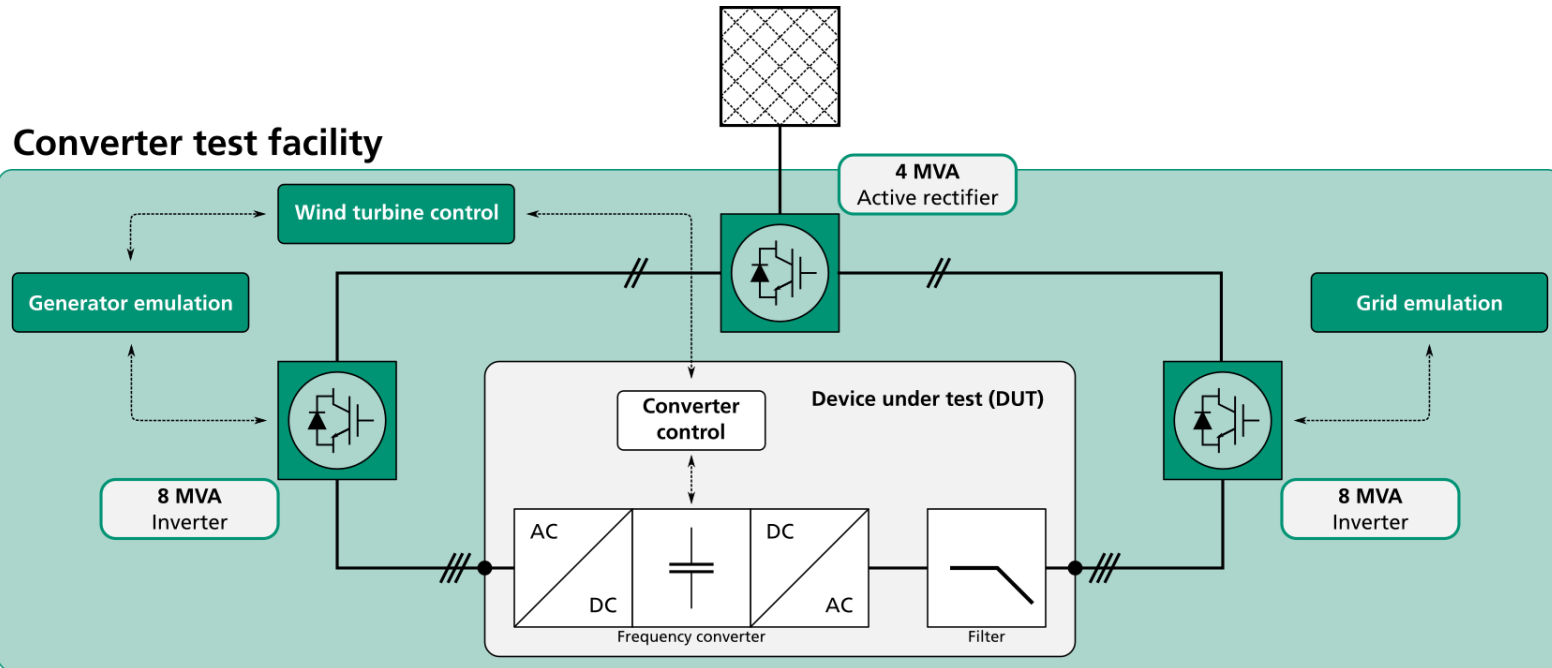
Apparent power	8 MVA
Phase-to-phase voltage	1050 V <sub>RMS</sub>
Fundamental frequency	40-70 Hz
Total harmonic distortion	<< 1 % at 50 Hz
Effective switching frequency	> 100 kHz
Harmonic injection	Up to 10 kHz
Impedance emulation	Up to 10 kHz
Fault ride through capability	150 % HVRT at 690 V <sub>RMS</sub> 0 % LVRT (ZVRT for max. 2 s)
Commercial availability	2023

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# PQ4Wind

## Single-line

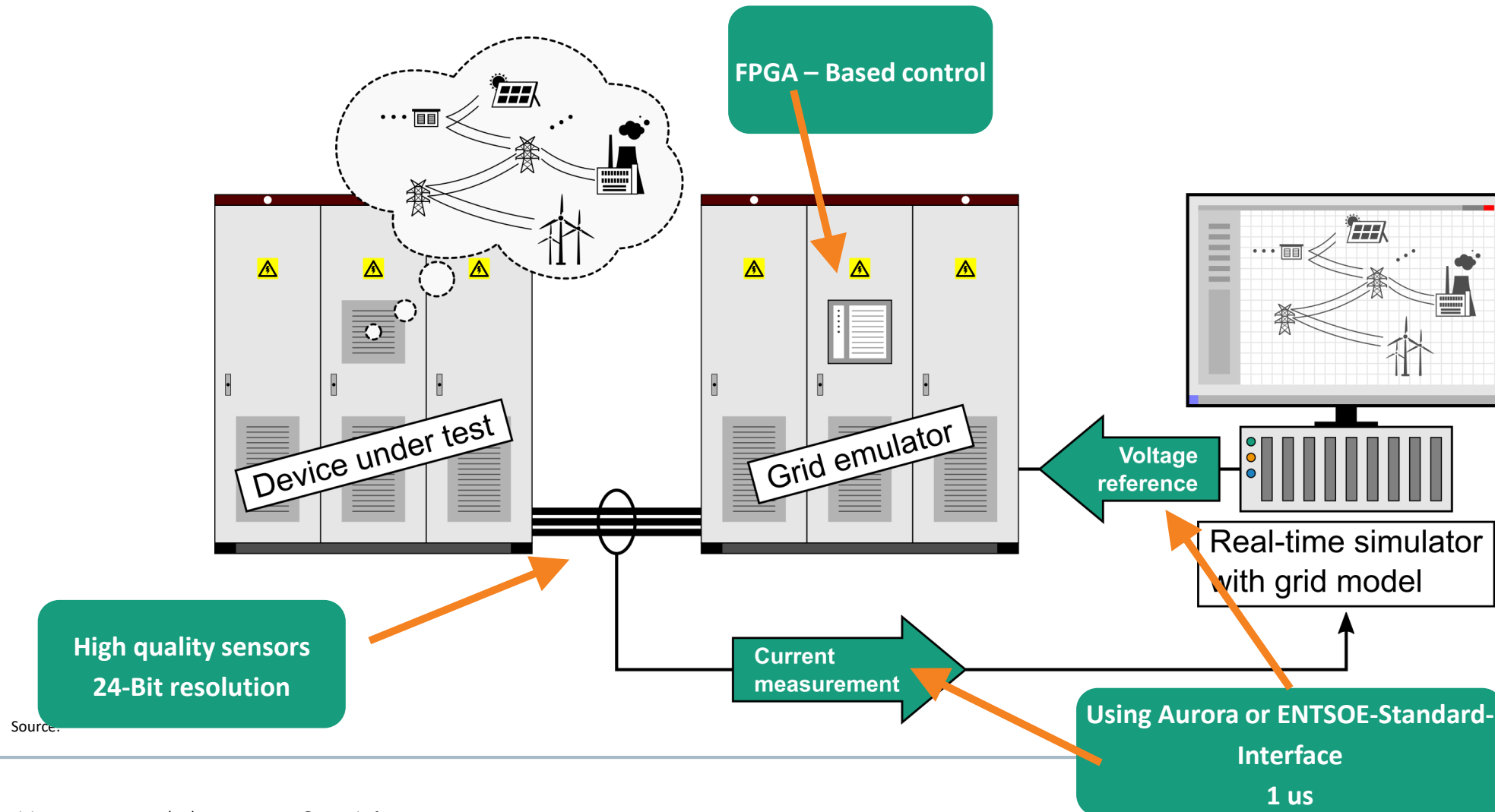
- Three functional units:
  - Grid-facing, active rectifier
  - Generator emulator
  - Grid emulator
- Shared DC link
- Circular power flow
- Fast switching converters (fsw,eff > 100 kHz)



Source: Test bench setup

# PQ4Wind - Power Hardware-in-the-Loop (PHIL) principle

## Minimizing delay times



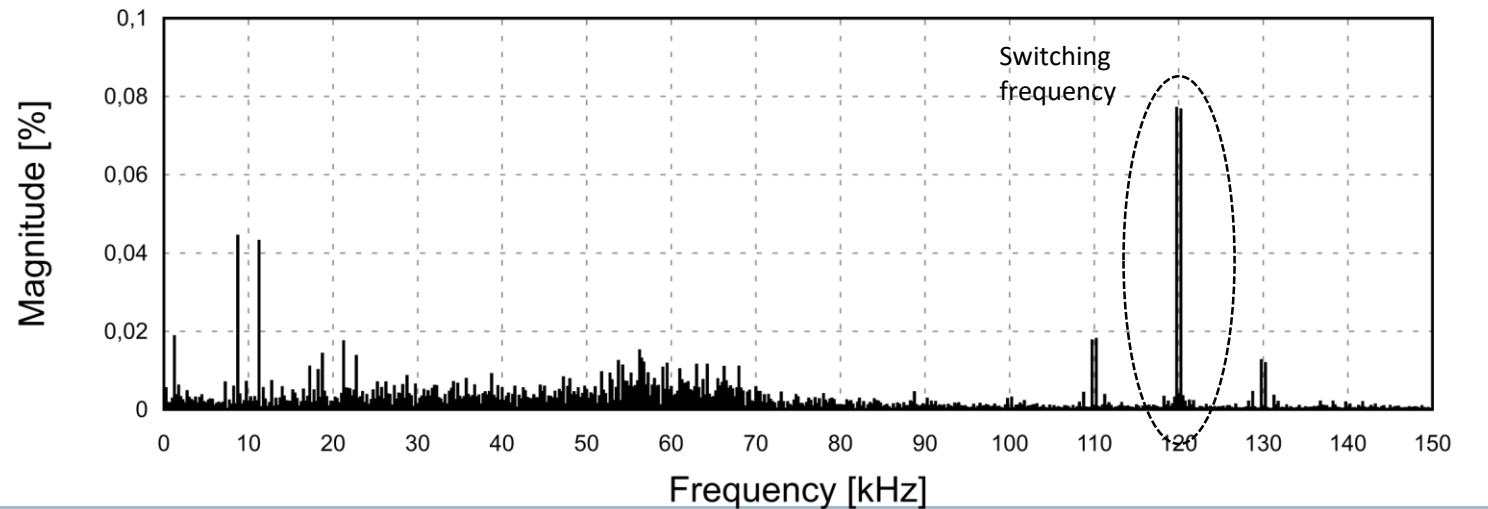
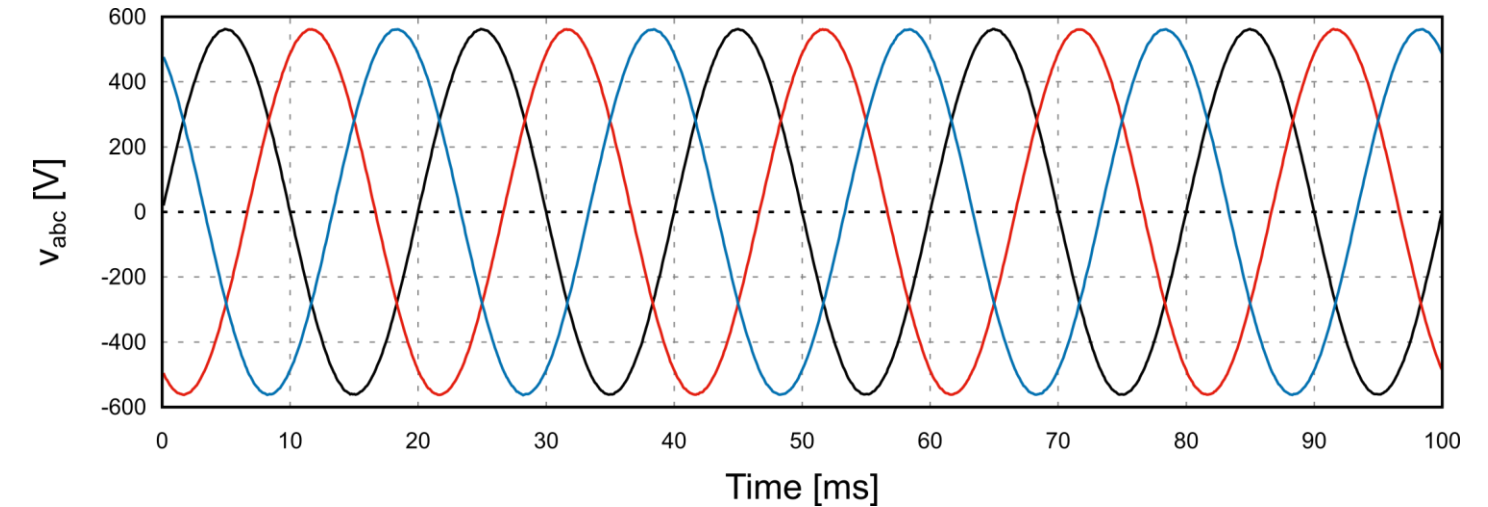
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# PQ4Wind: Grid emulator

## Scenario 1 – Ideal grid

- Very low harmonic distortion
- Fundamental: 50 Hz, 690 V<sub>RMS</sub>
- Individual harmonics < 0.1%
- Full load THD < 0.25 %



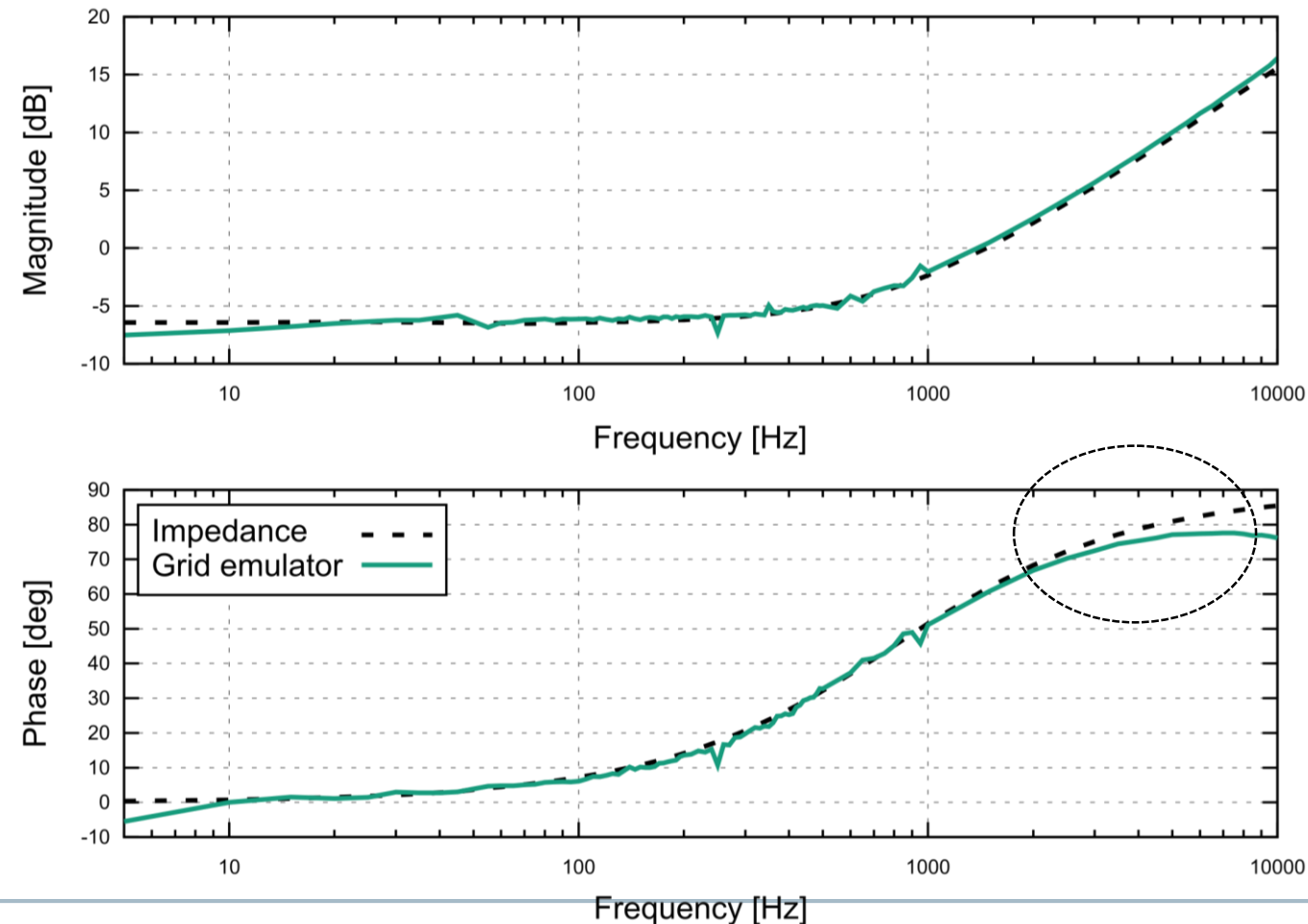
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# PQ4Wind: Grid emulator

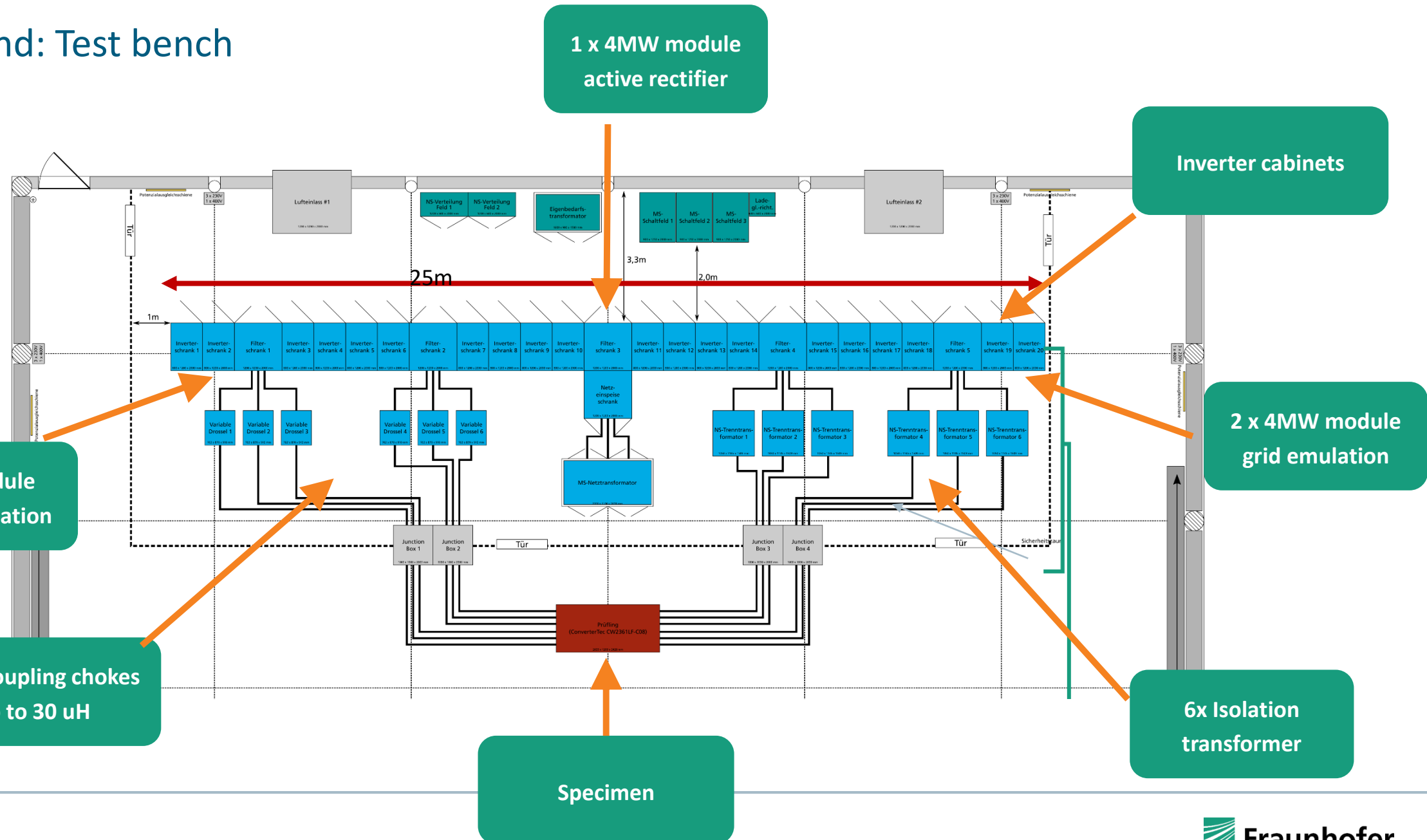
## Scenario 2 – Simple grid impedance

- Ohmic-inductive impedance (pos. seq.):  
 $R_{\text{emulated}} = 500 \text{ m}\Omega$   
 $L_{\text{emulated}} = 100 \text{ }\mu\text{H}$
- At lower frequencies:  
Voltage amplitudes very small,  
isolation transformer
- At frequencies > 2 kHz:  
Increasing phase shift

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# PQ4Wind: Test bench Layout



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# PQ4Wind: Test bench

## First cabinets

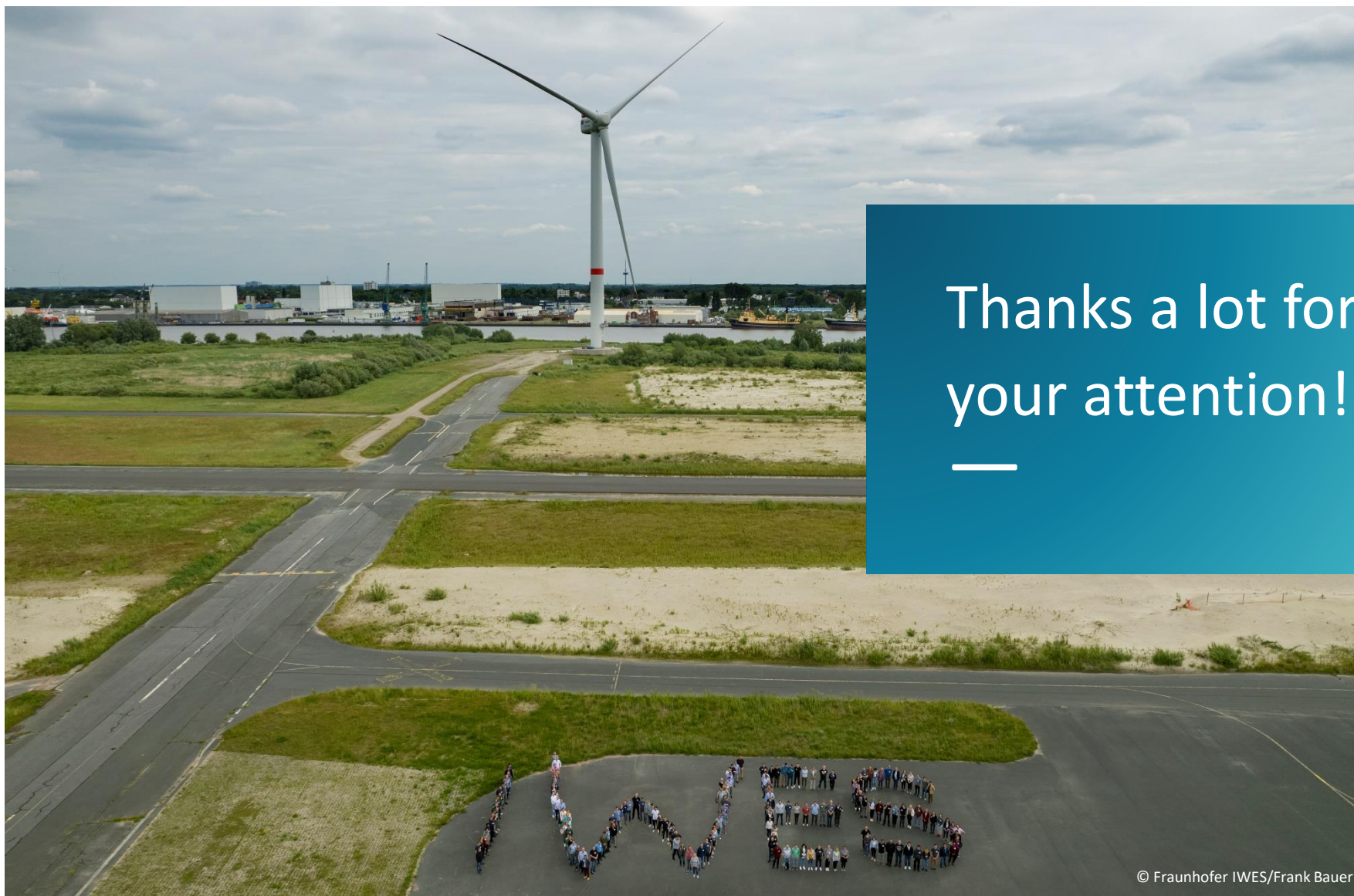


Commissioning  
Q1 2023



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