



# Modernising Energy Efficiency through Digitalisation

*Webinar 6: Policy Guidance for Smart, Energy-Saving Consumer Devices*

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# Overview

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- Webinar 6: Policy Guidance for Smart, Energy-Saving Consumer Devices
  - Steven Beletich is the principal of Beletich Associates, the Operating Agent for the Electronic Devices and Networks Annex (EDNA) of IEA's [Technology Collaboration Programme](#) (TCP) on [Energy Efficient End-Use Equipment](#) (4E)
- Questions and discussion

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# IEA Digitalisation & energy efficiency

## How digitalisation can support & accelerate energy efficiency implementation:

- More effective policies and programmes
- Across end-use sectors (buildings, industry, transport)
- Supply side efficiency
- Systems efficiency including communities, cities and power systems (demand response, flexibility, optimised planning and operation)

<https://www.iea.org/articles/energy-efficiency-and-digitalisation>

### Online community



IEA Modernising Energy Efficiency through Digitalisation  
Standard group

[www.linkedin.com/groups/13700212/](https://www.linkedin.com/groups/13700212/)

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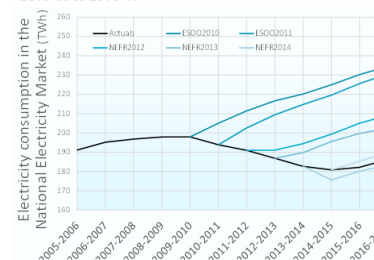
Actionable policy guidance

## Case studies, lessons learned

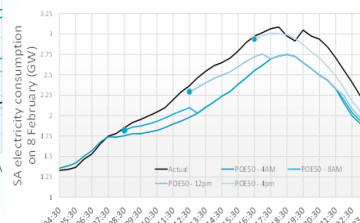
### Digitalisation improves decision-making

Case study

Electricity consumption in the Australian National Electricity Market compared with published forecasts, 2005-06 to 2016-17

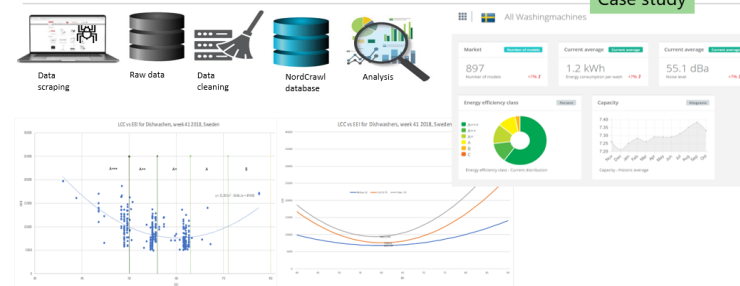


Forecasts of daily electricity consumption in the state of South Australia compared with actual demand profile



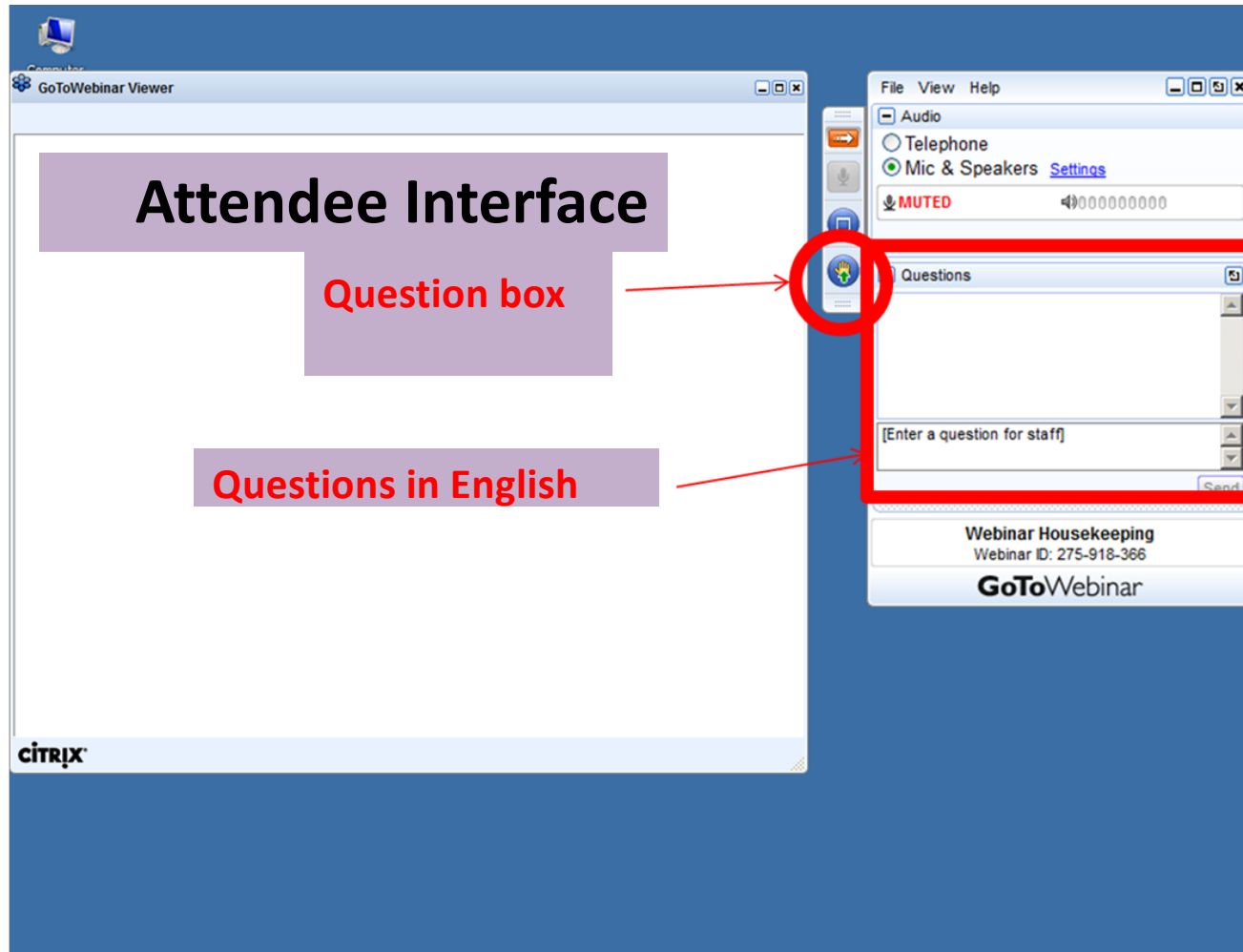
### Digitalisation makes programmes more effective

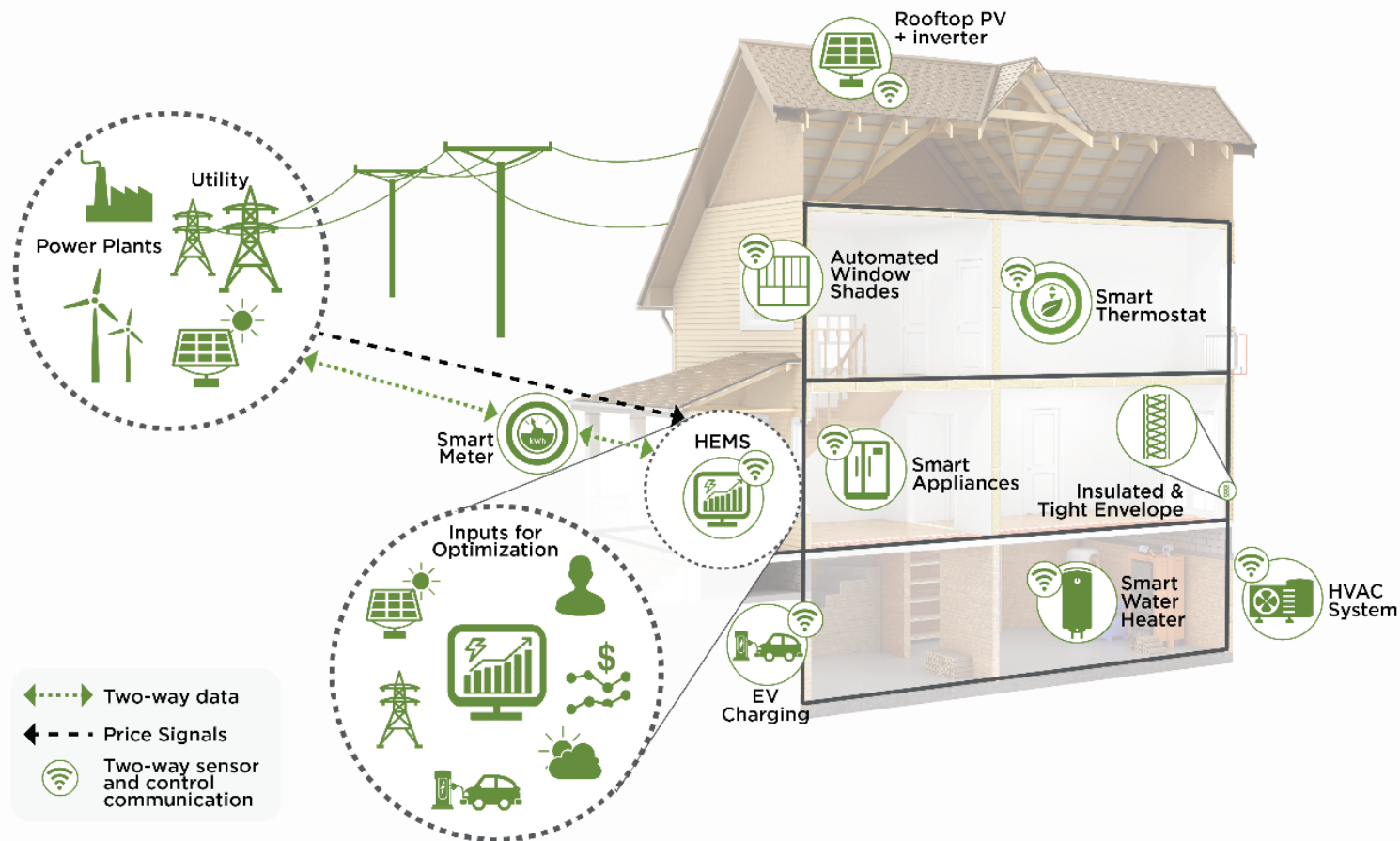
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# How to ask questions

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# Policy Guidance for Smart, Energy-Saving Consumer Devices

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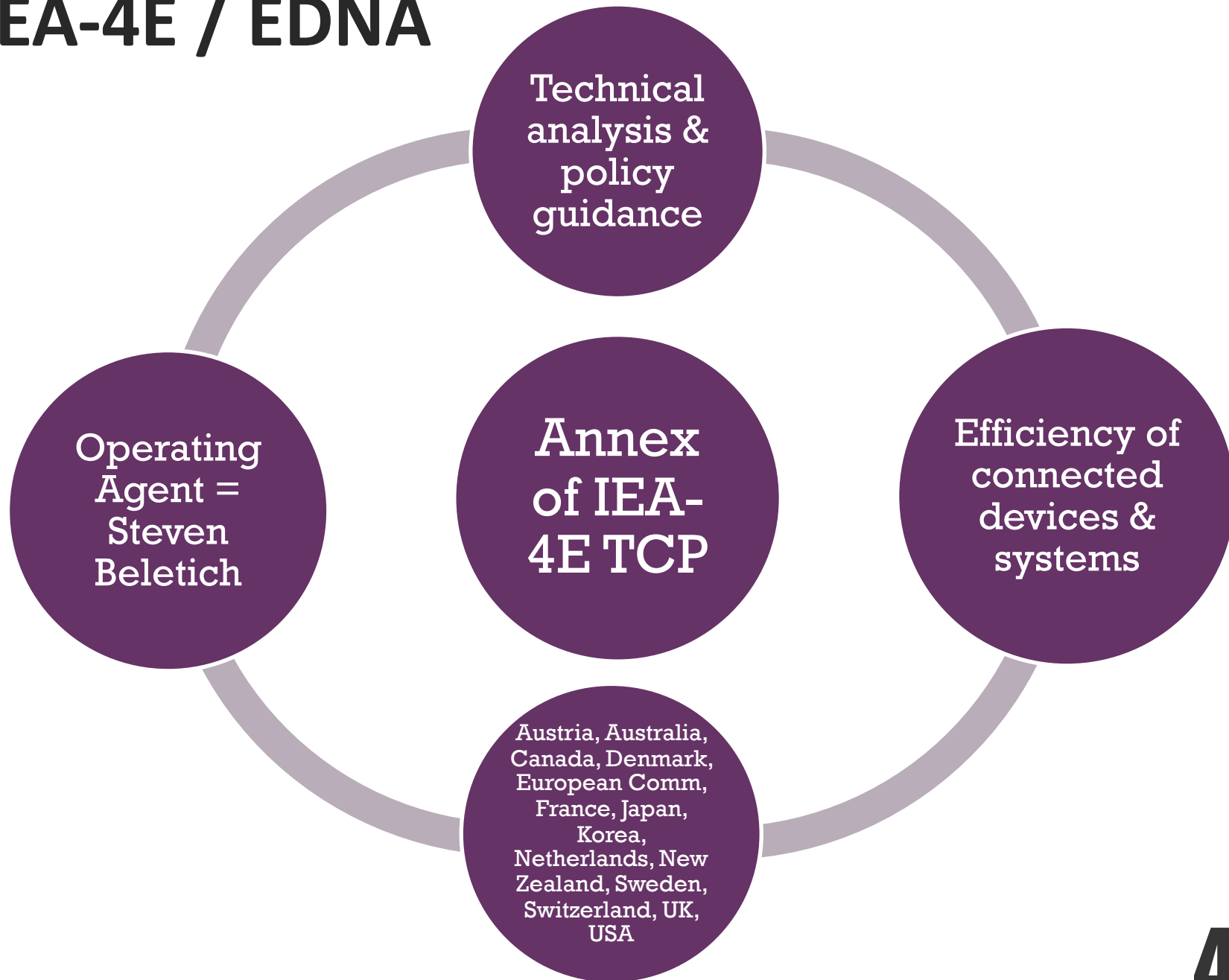
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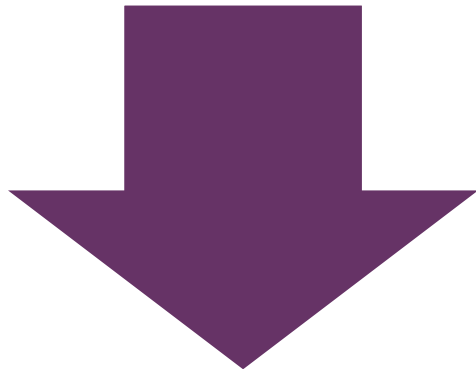
# Introduction



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# Energy Implications of Connectivity



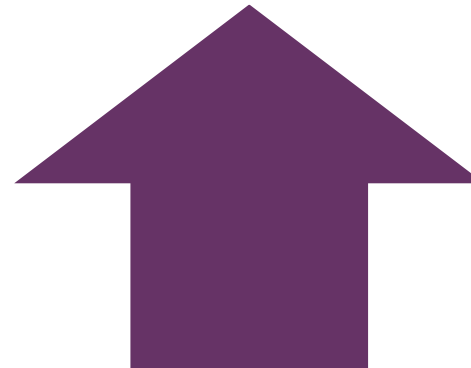
## Energy Savings

- Intelligent efficiency (IE)
- Demand flexibility (DF)



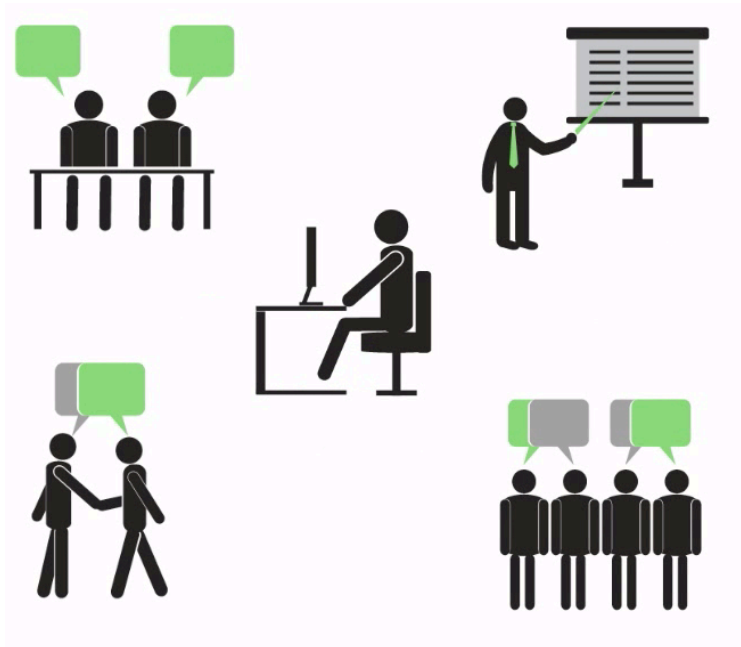
## Energy Cost

- Network standby



# Intelligent Efficiency (IE)

Operation of a system of connected devices so that they respond to changing conditions of the external environment, in order to maximise energy savings



# IE Example



# IE Potential

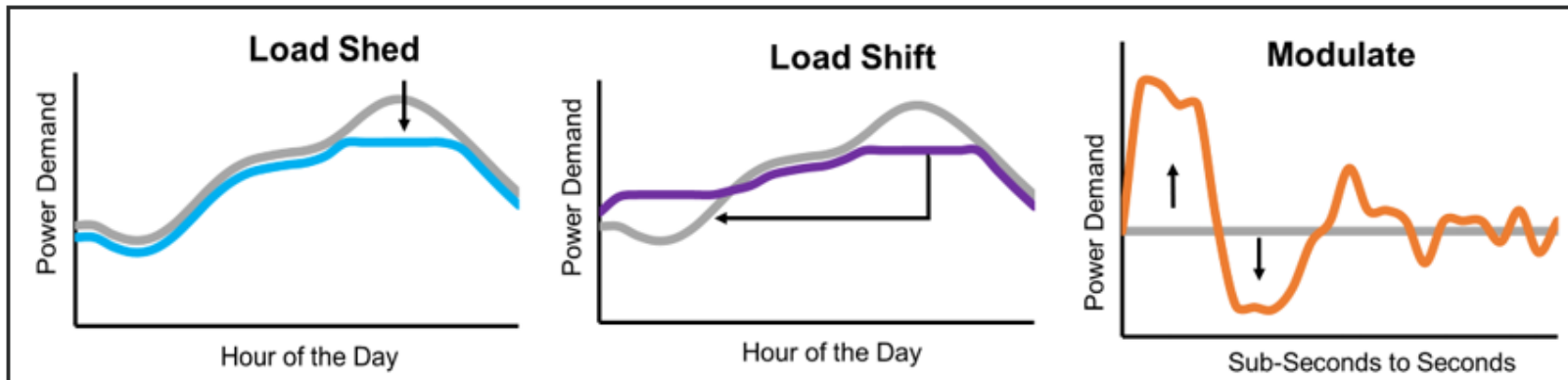
**Table 4.1. Possible global benefits of digital technology**

Sector	Description	Possible benefits
<b>Buildings</b>	Between 2017 and 2040, increased digitalisation of both commercial and residential buildings, including 1 billion connected buildings and 11 billion connected devices.	Up to 10% less energy used. Cumulative energy savings of 234 EJ.
<b>Transport</b>	In urban transport, between 2015 and 2050 digitally enabled innovative technologies, including teleworking, massive shared mobility and autonomous vehicles, significantly reduce passenger kilometres travelled.	More than 50% lower CO <sub>2</sub> emissions in 2050.
<b>Industry</b>	Estimated cumulative impact from combining a range of digital technologies and advanced software applications.	Up to 30% energy savings.
<b>Flexible demand capacity</b>	With increased policy action prioritising digital strategies and smart infrastructure, flexible demand capacity increases from 40 GW to 450 GW.	Ten times more flexible demand capacity by 2040.

Sources: IEA (2019), *Perspectives for the Clean Energy Transition: The Critical Role of Buildings*, [www.iea.org/publications/reports/PerspectivesfortheCleanEnergyTransition](http://www.iea.org/publications/reports/PerspectivesfortheCleanEnergyTransition); IEA (2018b), *World Energy Outlook 2018*; IEA (2017b), *Digitalisation and Energy*; Schneider Electric (personal communication); ITF (2019), *ITF Transport Outlook 2019*.

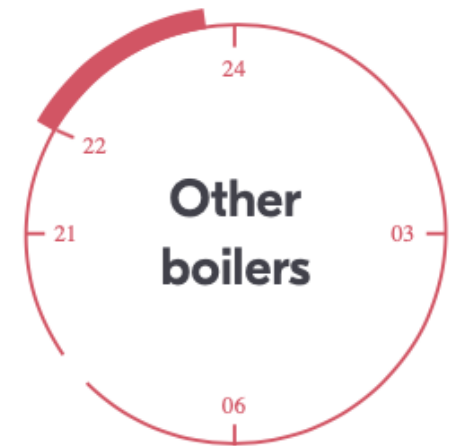
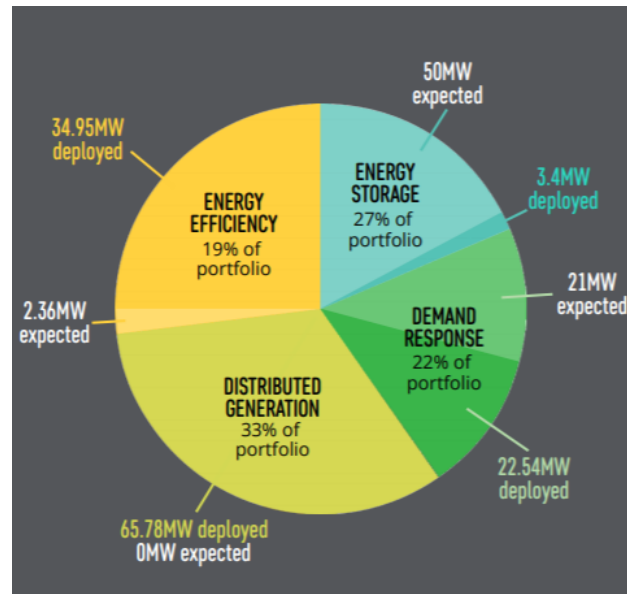
# Demand Flexibility (DF)

Changes in electricity usage by end-use customers from their normal consumption patterns in response to changing market conditions



# DF Examples

- Finland: 1900 domestic boilers used to balance electricity supply
- Southern California Edison: 200 MW aggregated DF portfolio



# DF Potential (Residential)

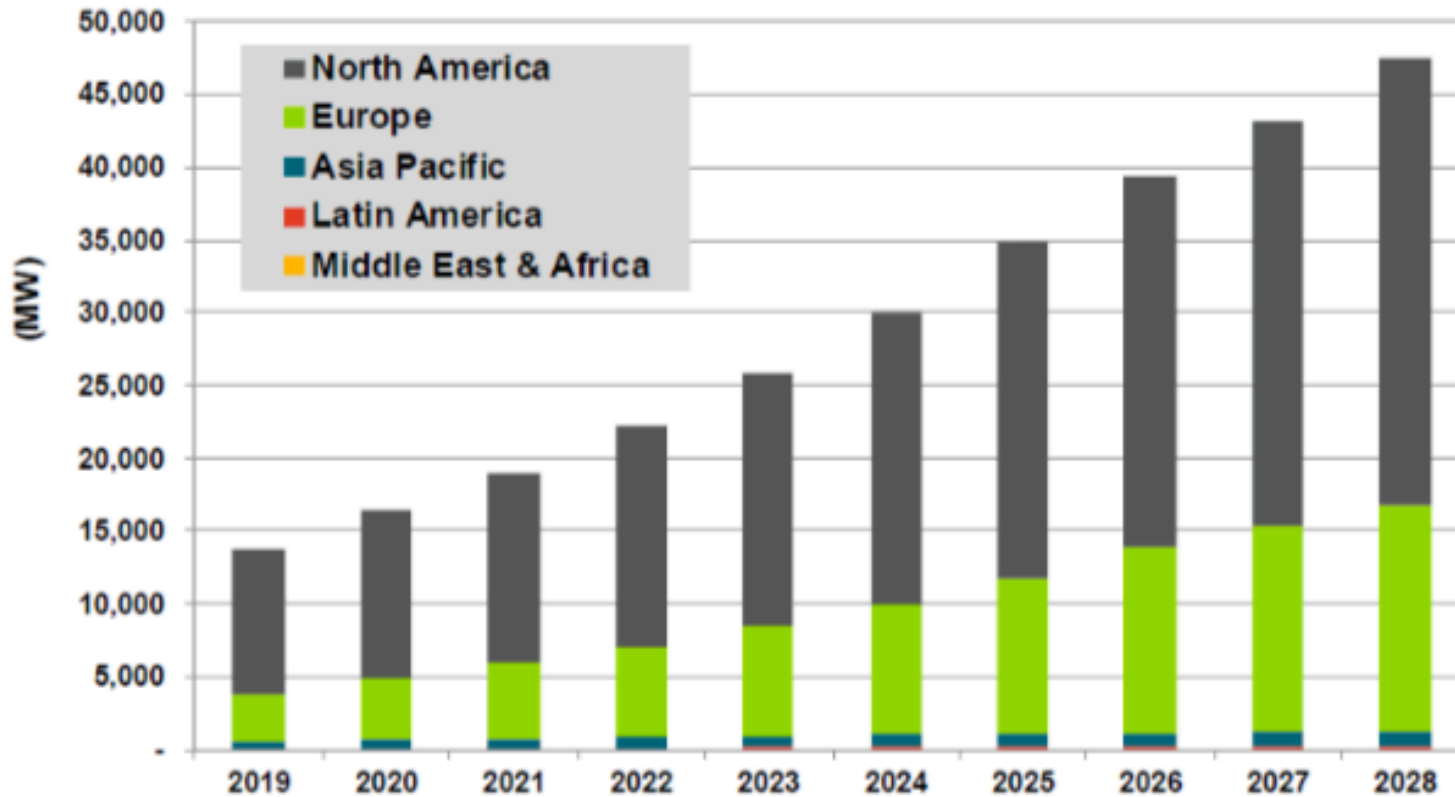


Figure 1-5. Global Residential Demand Response Capacity

Source: Navigant Research<sup>37</sup>



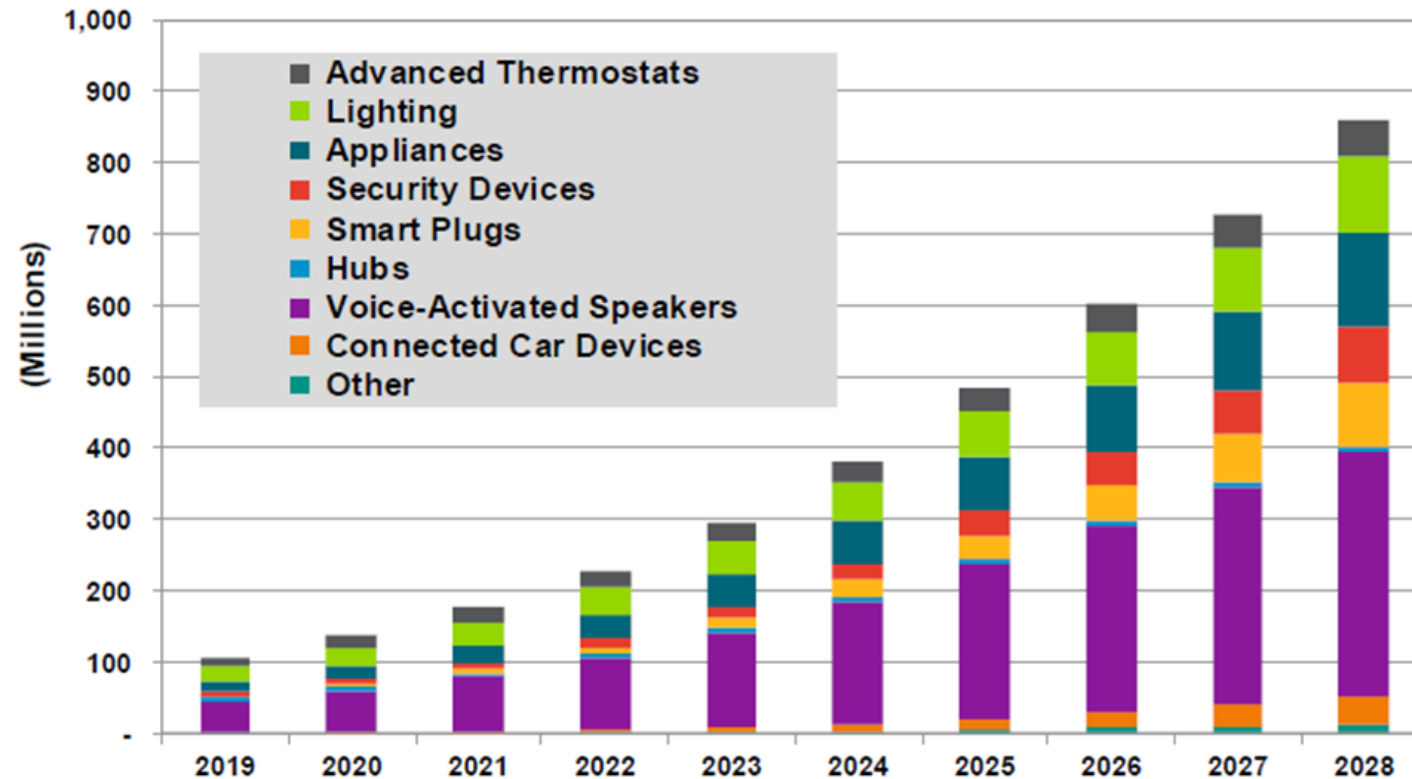
# Vision for a Digitalised Energy System

- DF: all major energy-using devices, batteries and EVs are able to perfectly match electricity demand with the supply of renewables
- IE: intelligent, adaptive systems of connected devices eliminate every last drop of energy wastage from households and businesses



# Importance of Devices

# Uptake of Connected Devices



# Not All Devices Created Equal

- It's one thing for a device to be connected to the internet
- Does not make it “smart”
- Does not make it ready to participate in DF and IE



# We Need to Future-Proof Devices, Now

- DF and IE expected to gather momentum
- Devices can last 10, 15, 20 years
- Dumb devices can be “locked out” of a smart world

# To Do This We Need Policies

- Government policy makers
- Manufacturers
- Utilities
- ICT industry
- Researchers / academia
- Industry associations
- Standards organisations

# **Policy Guidance for Smart, Energy-Saving Consumer Devices**

# 1. Devise Product Scope

**Table 9-1. Device potential with regard to demand flexibility**

*Sources: Flexibility potential adapted from US Department of Energy (2019)<sup>84</sup>*

Product	DF Potential			Comfort Impact	Overall DF Potential
	Shed	Shift	Modulate		
Air Conditioners (ACs)	Low	High	Low	Medium-High*	High
Water Heaters	Low	High	Medium	Low	High
Thermostats	Medium	High	Low	Medium	High
Battery Storage (incl. vehicles)	None	High	High	None	High
Electric Vehicle Chargers	None	Medium	Medium	Low	Medium
Lighting	Medium	None	None	High	Medium
Refrigerators/ Freezers	None	Medium	None	Low	Low
Dishwashers & Clothes Washers	None	Medium	None	Low	Low
Clothes Dryers	Low	Medium	Medium	Medium	Low

\* Comfort impact is dependent on the heating/cooling strategies and the available thermal storage capacity in the building envelope (walls, windows, and roof)



**Table 2-1. Summary of ENERGY STAR Devices with Optional Connected Functionality Requirements**

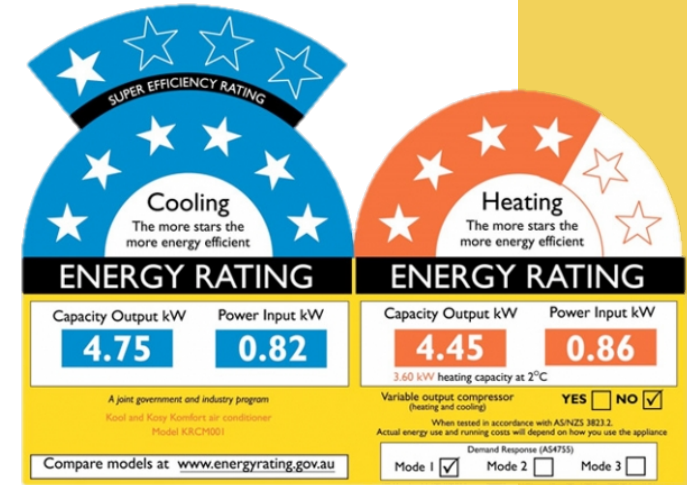
	<b>Comm. Hardware/ Software</b>	<b>Energy Consumption Reporting</b>	<b>Operational Status Reporting</b>	<b>DR</b>	<b>DR Override by Consumer</b>	<b>Remote Management</b>	<b>Open Access</b>	<b>Open Comm. Protocol</b>
Smart Thermostats	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓
Dishwashers	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Room ACs	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Refrigerators / Freezers	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Clothes Washers	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Clothes Dryers	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Lighting	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓
Pool Pumps	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Electric Vehicle Supply Equipment	✓			✓	✓		✓	✓
Ceiling Fans	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓

## 2. Define Functionality (Macro)

- A smart, energy-saving device is a product that has the capability to receive inputs, process these inputs and independently take action, for the purpose of one or more of:
  - Demand flexibility (DF)
  - Intelligent efficiency (IE)
  - Status reporting
- [paraphrased version – refer report for full]

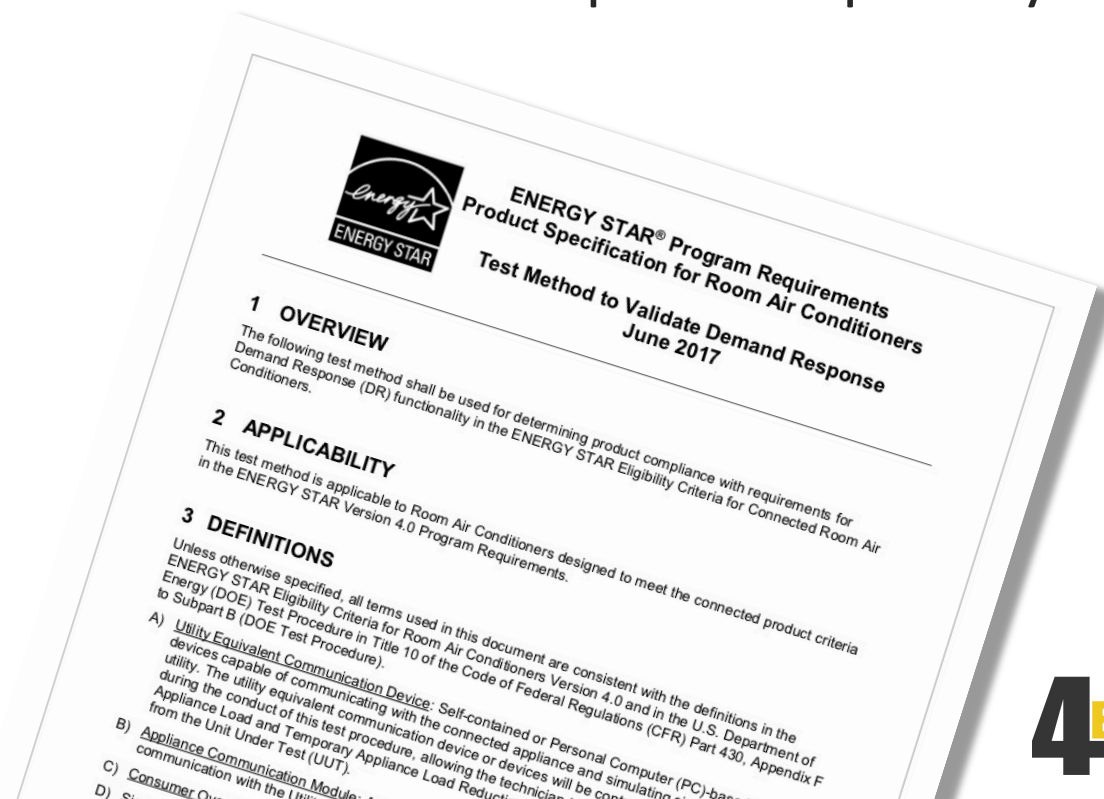
# 3. Define Functionality (Micro)

- Specific to device type
- E.g. Australia for ACs:
  - Mode 1 = capable of off / on
  - Mode 2 = capable of turning down by 50%
  - Mode 3 = capable of turning down by 25%
- Important not to lose comfort



# 4. Specify Test Methods

- To prove functionality
- e.g. Energy Star Specification for Room ACs
  - Test Method to Validate Demand Response Capability



<https://www.energystar.gov/sites/default/files/ENERGY%20STAR%20Test%20Method%20for%20Room%20Air%20Conditioners%20to%20Validate%20Demand%20Response.pdf>

# 5. Communications Protocols

- Consider requiring “open” communications protocols
- Network layer
  - The means of communication (analogy: telephone network)
  - Transmit and receive data
  - e.g. Wi-Fi, Zigbee, Bluetooth, Ethernet, etc.
- Application layer
  - Analogy: the “language” spoken
  - Determines which products/platforms the device can communicate with
  - Interoperability: give careful consideration to “vendor lock-in”
    - e.g. brand X and brand Y appliances controlled by one single interface
  - Standards aimed at facilitating openness
    - e.g. ISO/IEC 21823 - Interoperability for IoT Systems (framework)
    - e.g. Smart Electric Power Alliance Catalog of Standards
    - e.g. NIST Smart Grid Framework Tables 4.1 & 4.2
    - e.g. from NIST, IEC, ISO, IEEE, ITU, IETF, OpenADR

# 6. Consider Data Privacy and Security

- Address how private data is stored, accessed and used
  - e.g. data misuse - fridge data to health insurance provider
  - Regulations, e.g. European Telecommunication Standards Institute Cybersecurity Standard for Consumer IoT Devices
  - Regular, frequent revision
  - Communicate clearly to consumers\*
- Require cybersecurity protocols
  - Prevent hacking of devices
  - e.g. NIST reliability and cybersecurity protocols
  - e.g. North American Electric Reliability Corporation's Critical Infrastructure Protection standards

# 7. Consider Usability

- Requirements (or suggestions) for
  - Plug-and-play
    - Incl wireless setup
  - Straightforward to operate
  - User over-ride
    - e.g. Energy Star - consumers shall be able to override their smart thermostat's response to any grid request (max 72 hours)

## 8. Choose Your Policy Vehicle

- Mandatory – all devices?
- Mandatory – only connected (IoT) devices?
- Bolt on to device efficiency requirements?
- Consumer labelling
  - Include in existing mandatory energy label
  - Voluntary label
    - E.g. Energy Star connected criteria (optional)
- Financial incentives
- Industry self-regulation





## 9. Don't Forget Network Standby



# Summing Up ....

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- DF & IE initiatives will gather momentum
- Need to ensure devices not locked out of this
- Policies required to encourage this
  - Multiple stakeholders
- There are many issues to consider!



# Thank You

- Contact [steve@beletich.com.au](mailto:steve@beletich.com.au)
- Report: Policy guidance for Smart, Energy-Saving Consumer Devices
  - <https://www.iea-4e.org/document/448/policy-guidance-for-smart-energy-saving-consumer-devices>
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