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***Enabling IoT-enhanced Data Models for Context-aware Hydropower Plants***

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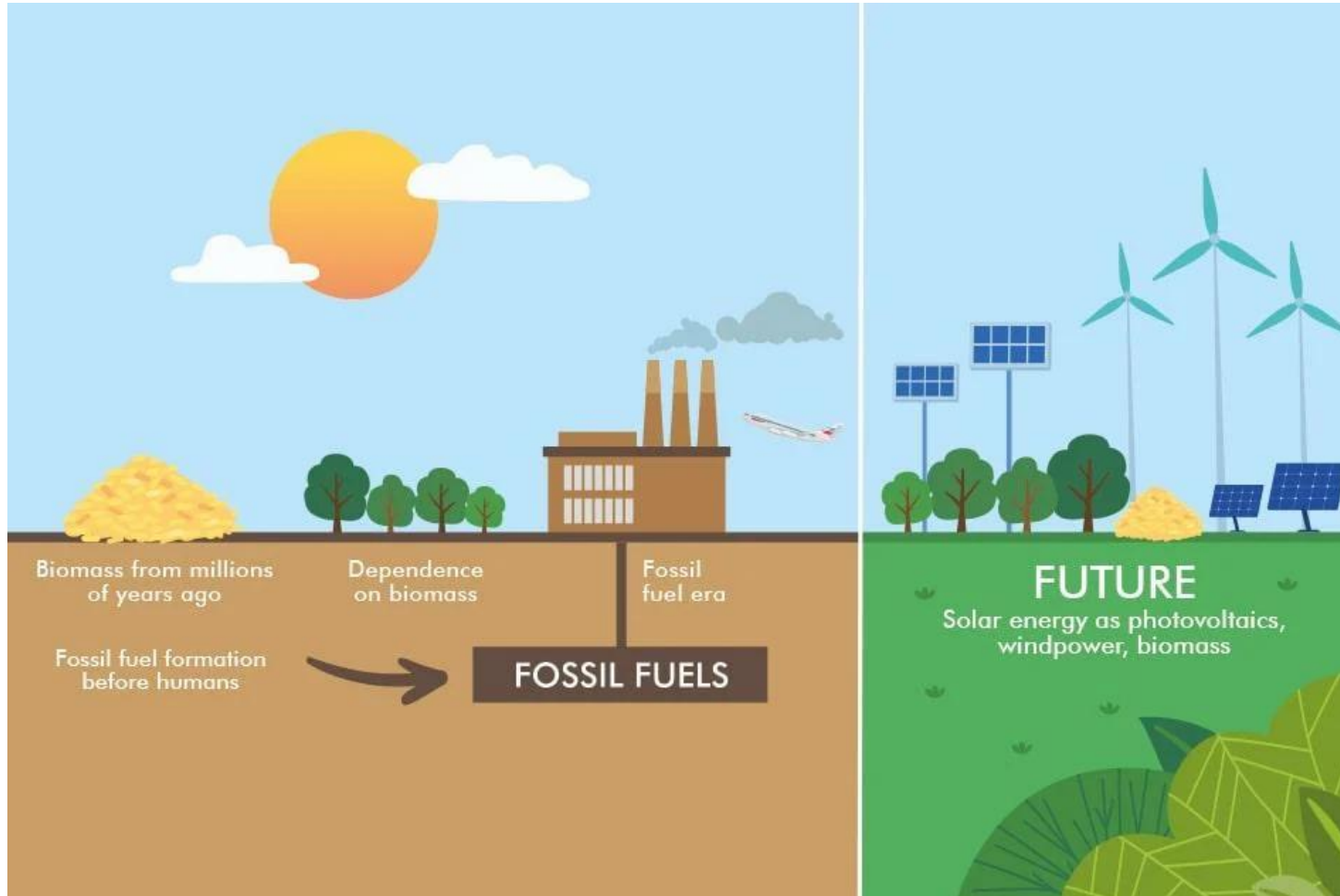
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## The Renewable Imperative: A Call for Action



**Carbon Footprint**



**Public Health**



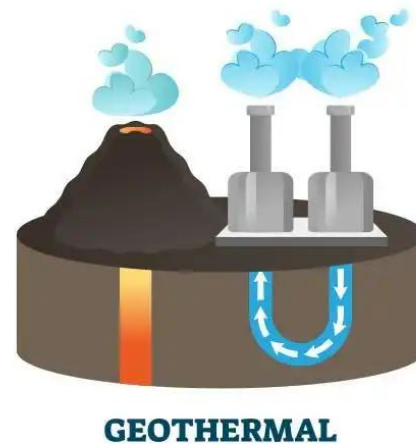
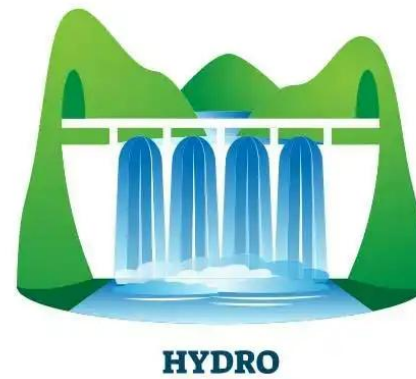
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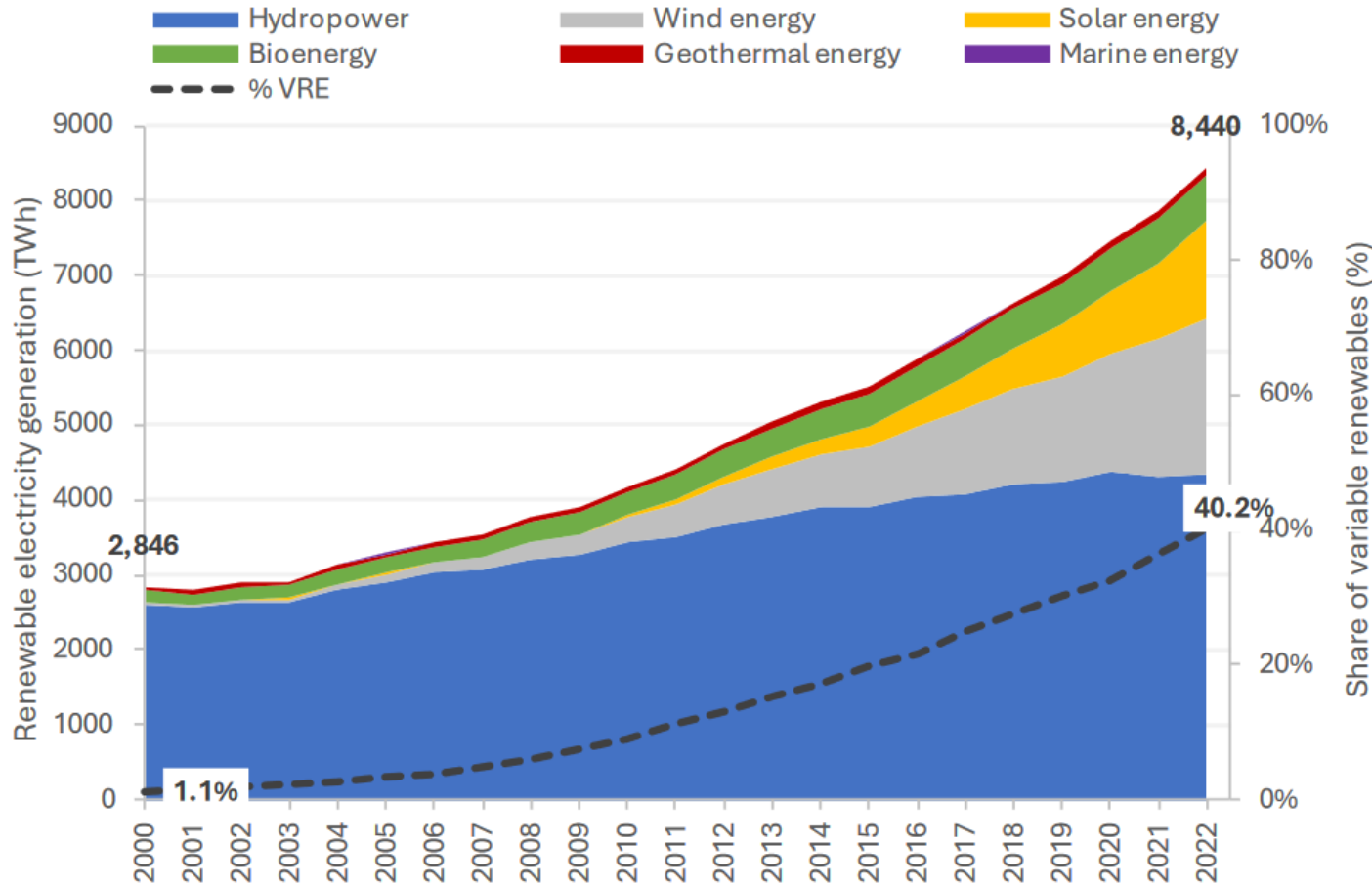
**Local Jobs**



## The Leading Sources of Renewable Energy



## Hydropower: Renewable Energy's Silent Giant



### Electricity Generation

**8 440 TWh**  
Renewables in 2022

**29.1% | 7.2%**  
Renewables | YoY Growth

**11.7% | 18.2%**  
Variable Renewables | YoY Growth

Hydro	4 330 TWh
Wind	2 098 TWh
Solar	1 294 TWh
Bioenergy	619 TWh
Geothermal	97 TWh
Marine	1 TWh

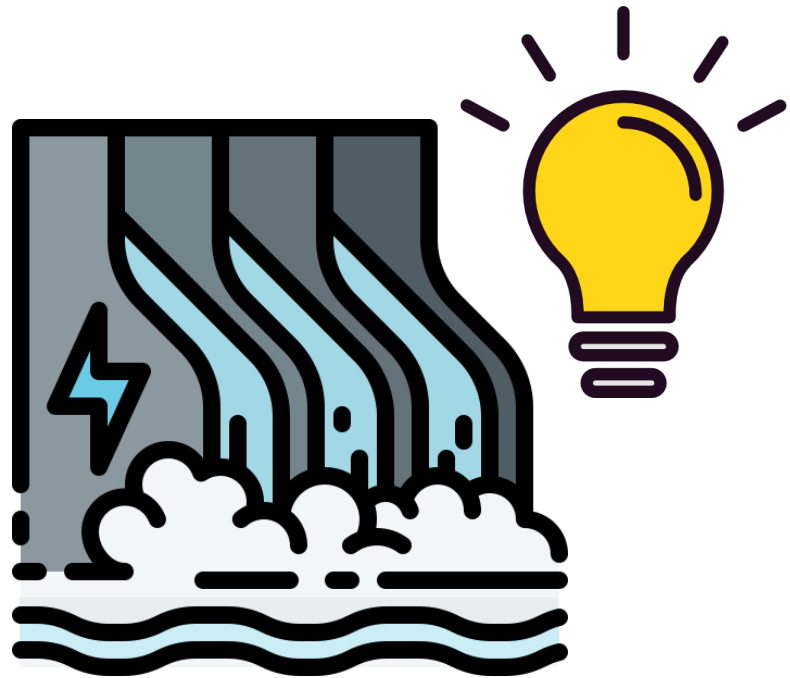


## Hydropower: Flowing Waters, Flowing Energy



**Hydropower**, or **hydroelectric power**, is a renewable source of energy that generates power by using a dam or diversion structure to alter the natural flow of a river or other body of water.

## Towards “Smart” Hydropower



### ‘Smart’ hydropower

IoT

AI

Data Analytics

### Example Features



Real-Time Monitoring and Automation



Predictive Maintenance

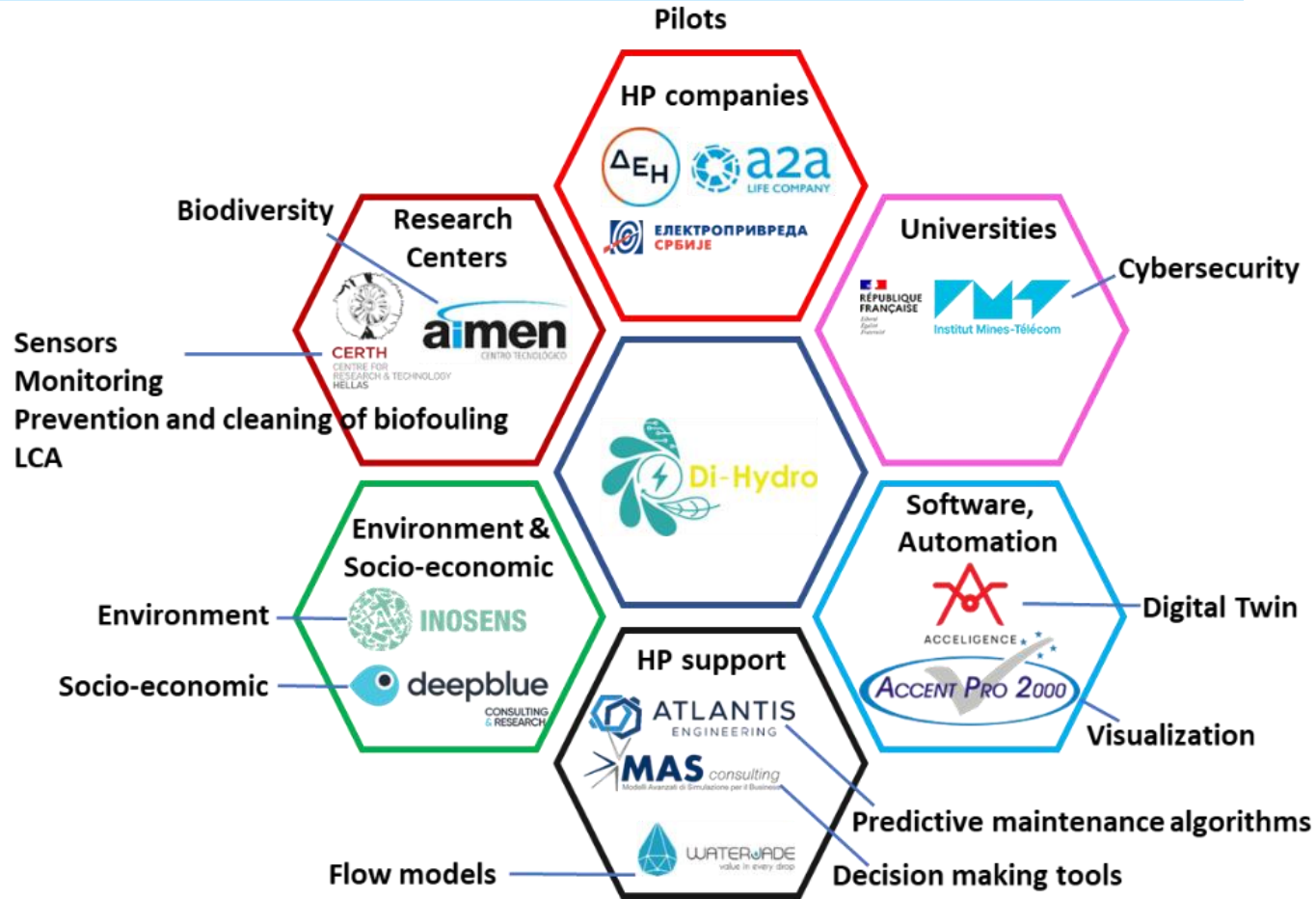


Reducing Environmental Impact

The Di-Hydro Project: Digital maintenance for sustainable and flexible operation of HYDROpower plants



**Di-Hydro**, an EU-funded project, is focused on advancing hydropower plants to align with the European Green Deal and the Paris Agreement. Its goal is to revolutionize plant operations by making them smarter, more efficient, and environmentally friendly



*This project has received funding from the European Union's Horizon Europe Research and Innovation Programme under grant agreement N° 101122311*

## How Di-Hydro Transforms Hydropower: Use Cases



Use Case 1 - Greece 

Use Case 2 - Italy 

Use Case 3 - Serbia 

Ilarionas HPP

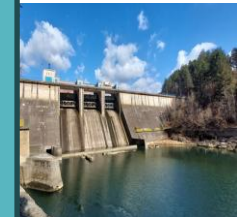


Digital Twin/Predictive Maintenance  
Decision support platform

# Powered by Data!



Uvršje HPP



Real-time water quality  
monitoring system





## How to represent data: Smart Hydropower Data Models



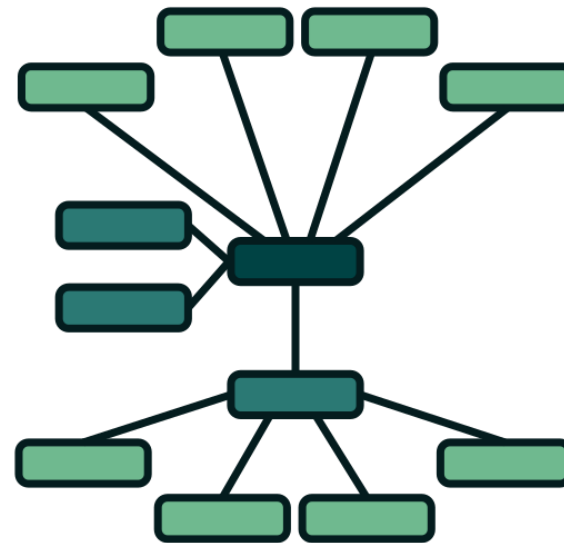
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### *Building Information Modeling*



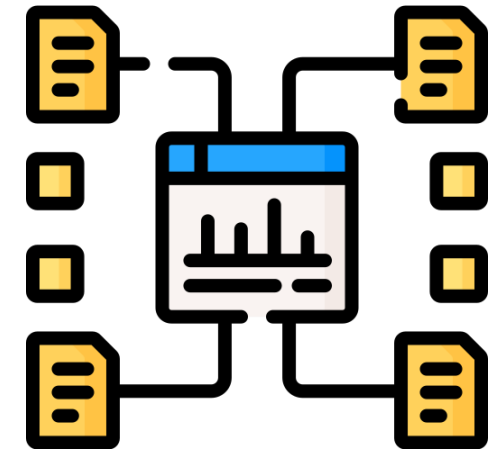
*Wangchuk et al. 2024*

### *Energy Ontologies*



*Booshehri et al. 2021, Kofler et al. 2012*

### *IoT Device Data Models and standards*



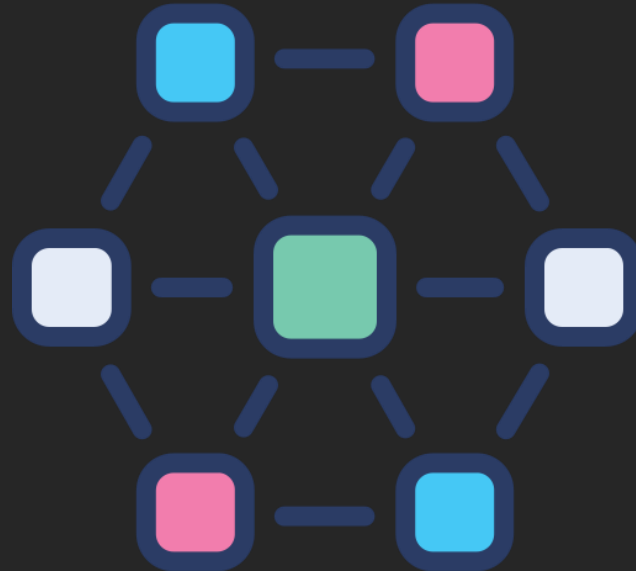
<https://smartdatamodels.org/>

## Data Modeling Issues and Needs



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Data Model 1  
Data Model 2  
Data Model 3  
Data Model ??



Common functionalities and components of energy management systems



Concepts of specific Hydropower Plant components and applications

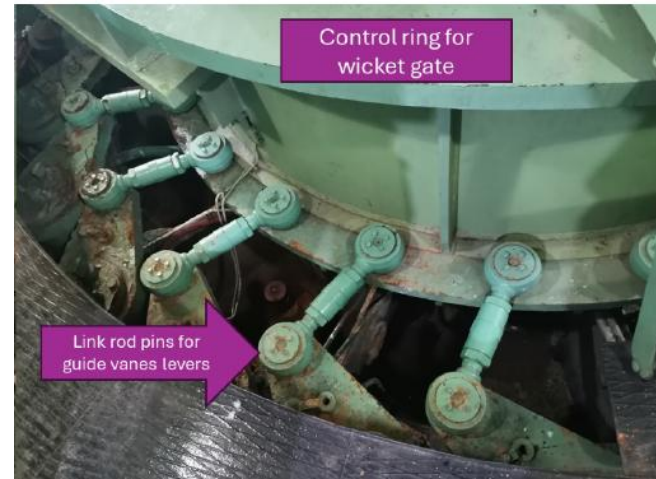
No Industry “Standard” Data model exists here!



## Context Data we would like to have represented



Penstock valve



Guide vane link rods

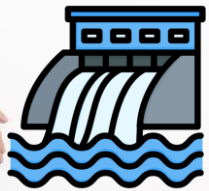


Pipes with potential biofouling

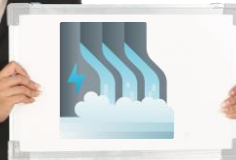


## Data Modeling: Importance of Context

Perfect, we can use  
this on our Plant



We have trained an AI  
decision model on our  
'Small Scale' Hydro  
Power Plant



## *Context Ambiguity!*

Country	"Small-scale hydro" hydropower plant capacity (MW)
Brazil	$\leq 30$
Canada	$< 50$
China	$\leq 50$
European Union	$\leq 20$
India	$\leq 25$
Norway	$\leq 10$
Sweden	$\leq 1.5$
United States	5-100

## What we want to have...



Di-Hydro

*A way to model the structural and operational components (Static Data) ...*

*A way to model the IoT components, their measurements and their actuations (Dynamic Data) ...*

# The *Di-Hydro* NGS-ILD Smart Data Models

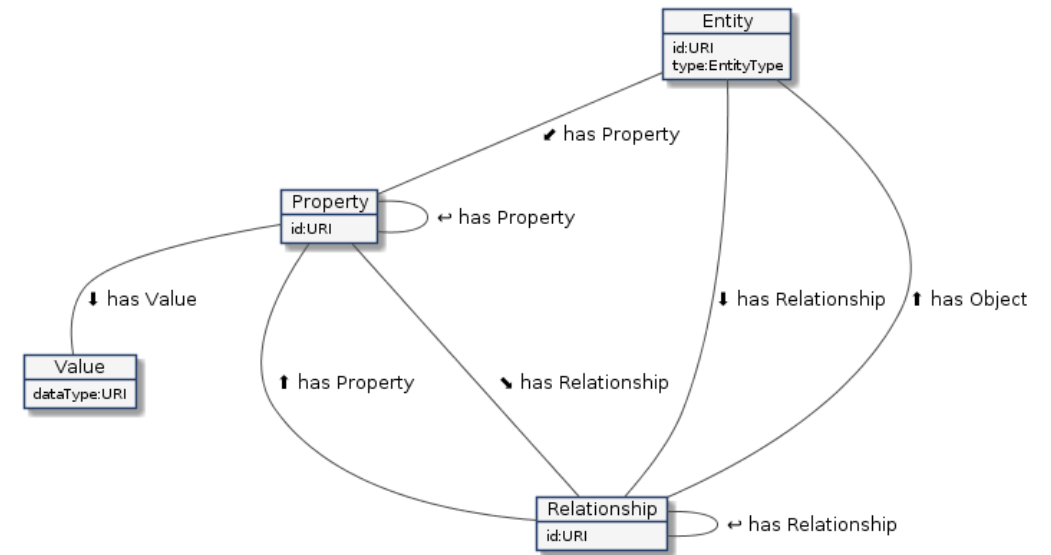
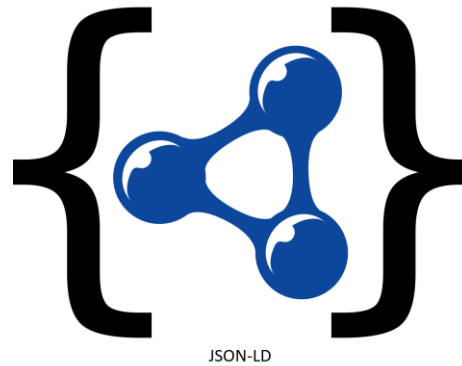


CONTEXT

*While also enabling strong context aware queries without contextual data ambiguity.*



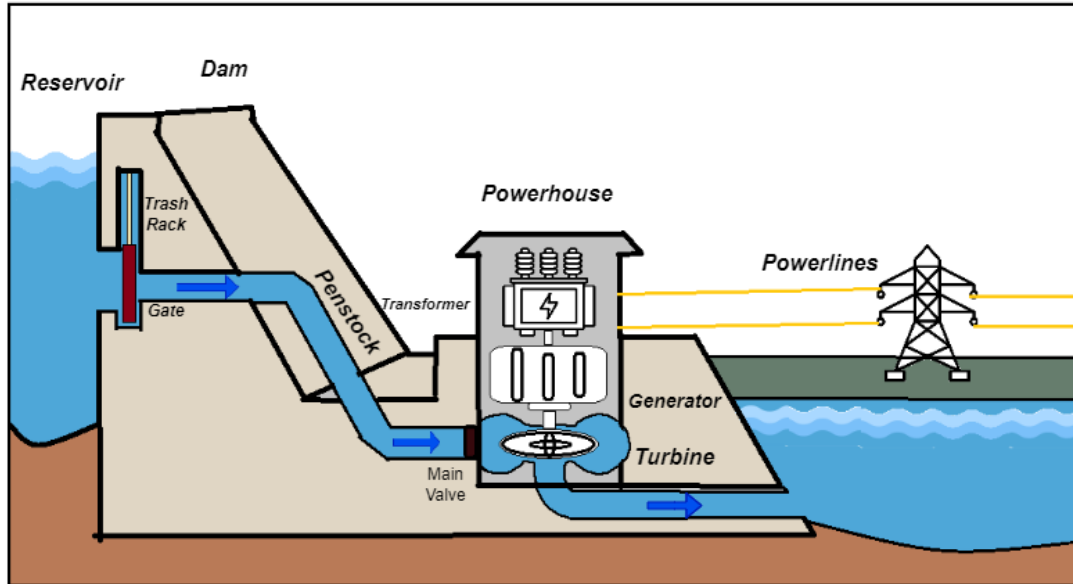
## NGSI-LD in a nutshell



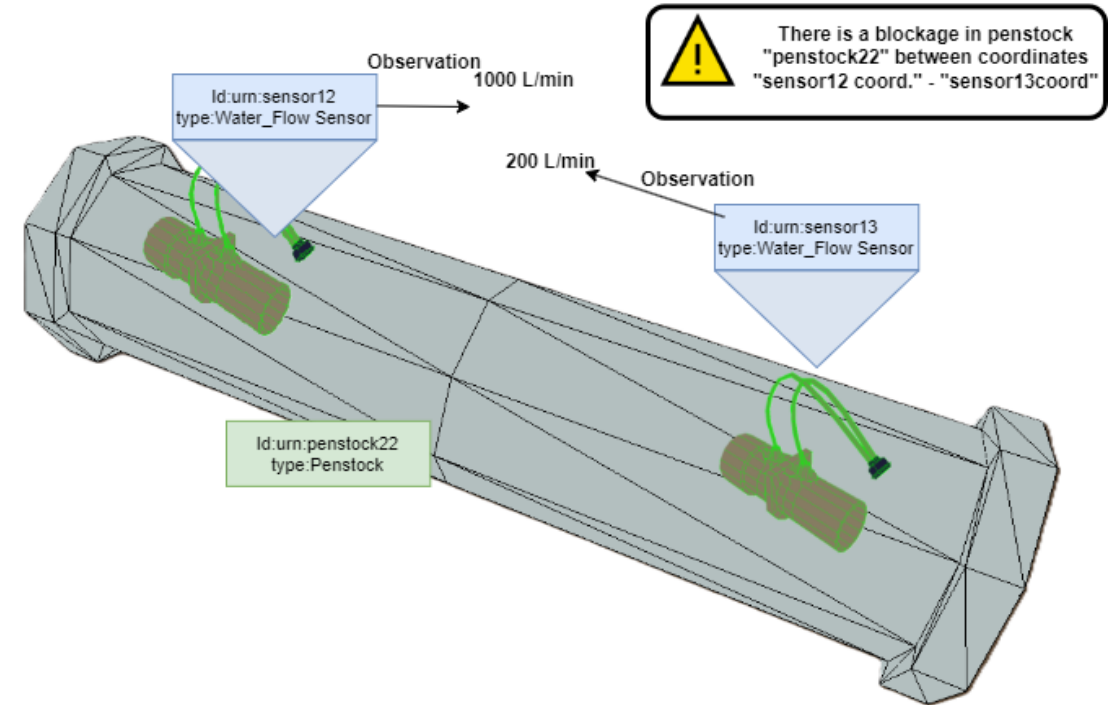


## Two Types of Entities in Hydropower Data Modeling

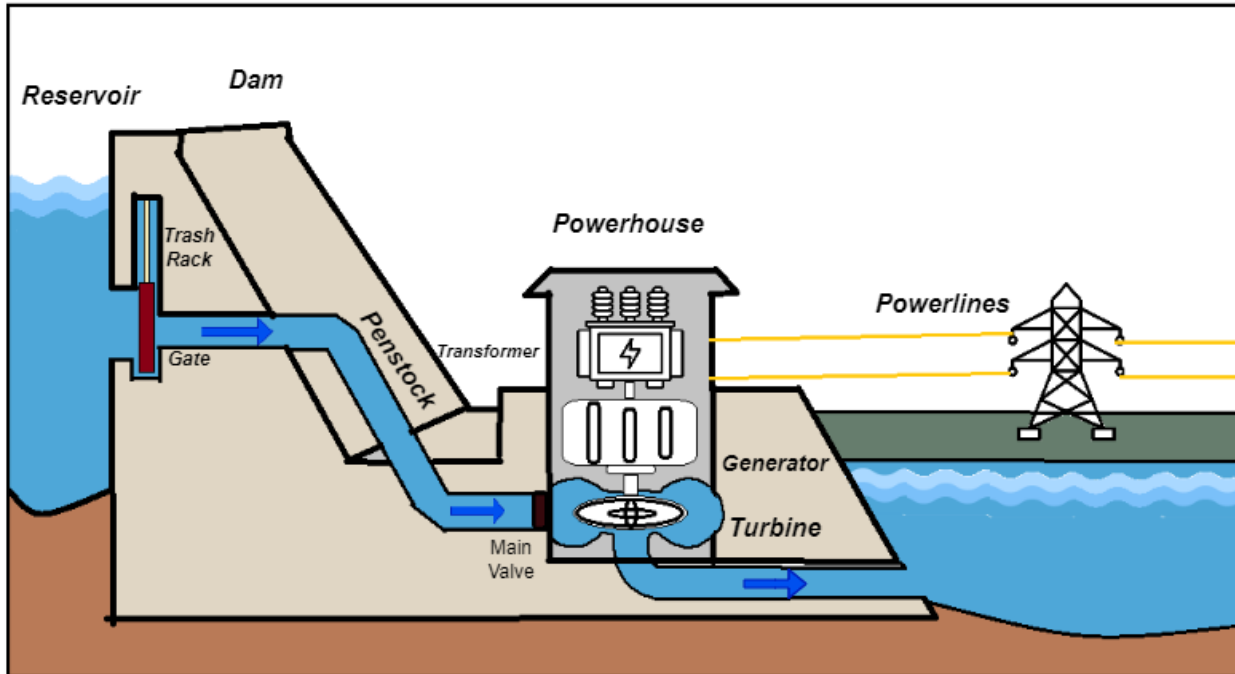
### Static Data



### Dynamic Data



## Di-Hydro Data Models: Static Data



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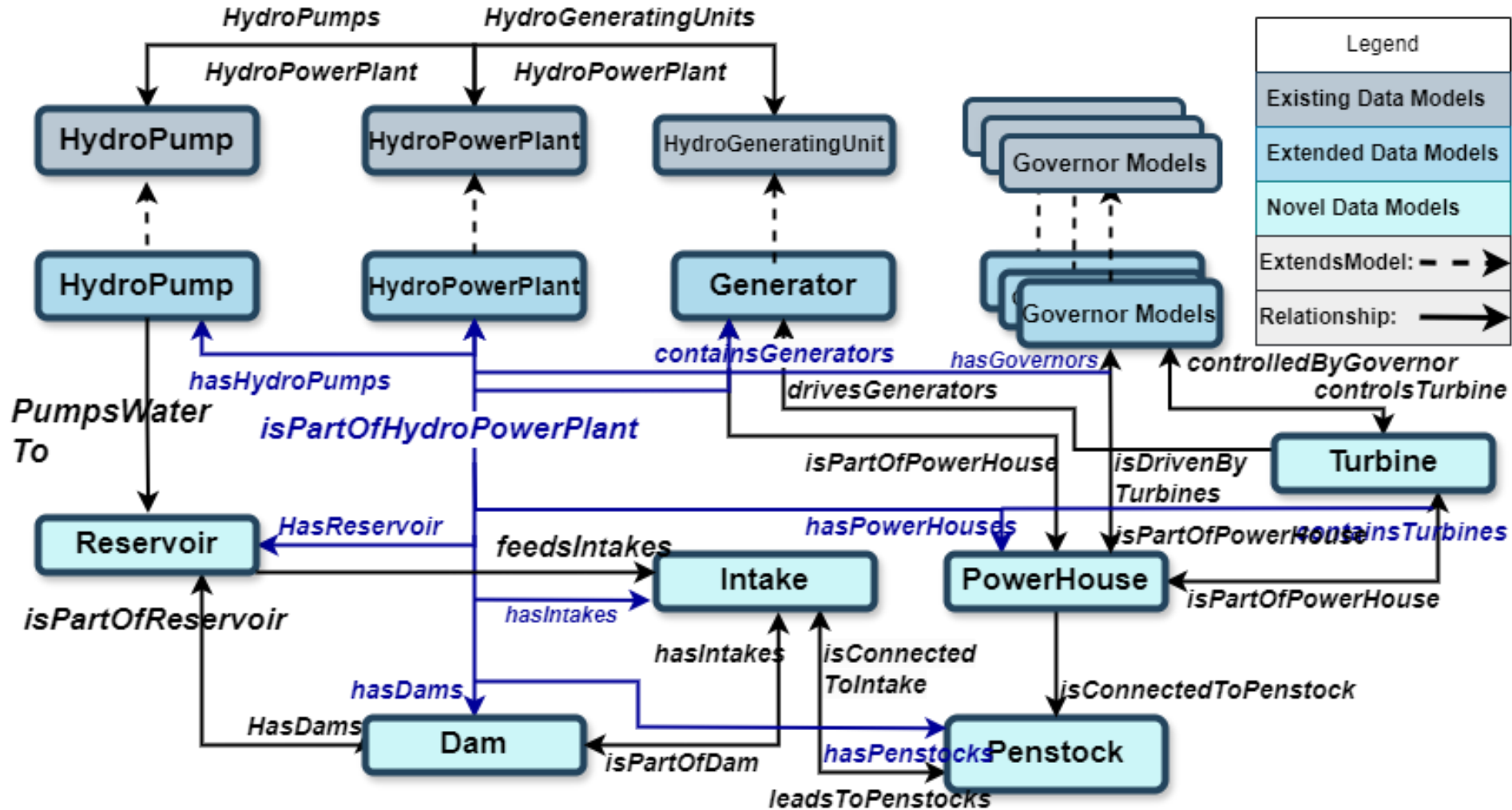
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16  },
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```

"HydroPowerPlant has Dams"  
and "Dam is part of HydroPowerPlant,"

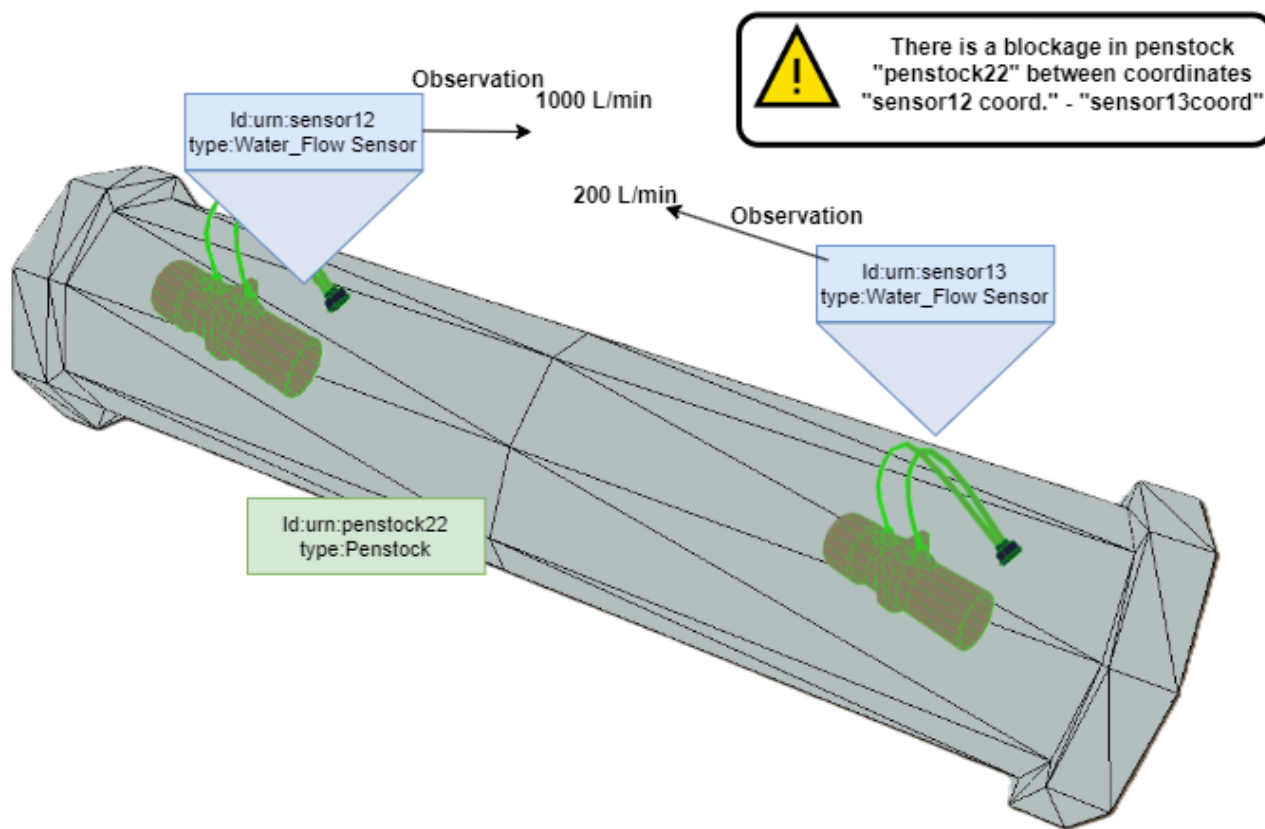


## Di-Hydro Data Models: Static Data





## Di-Hydro Data Models: Dynamic Data



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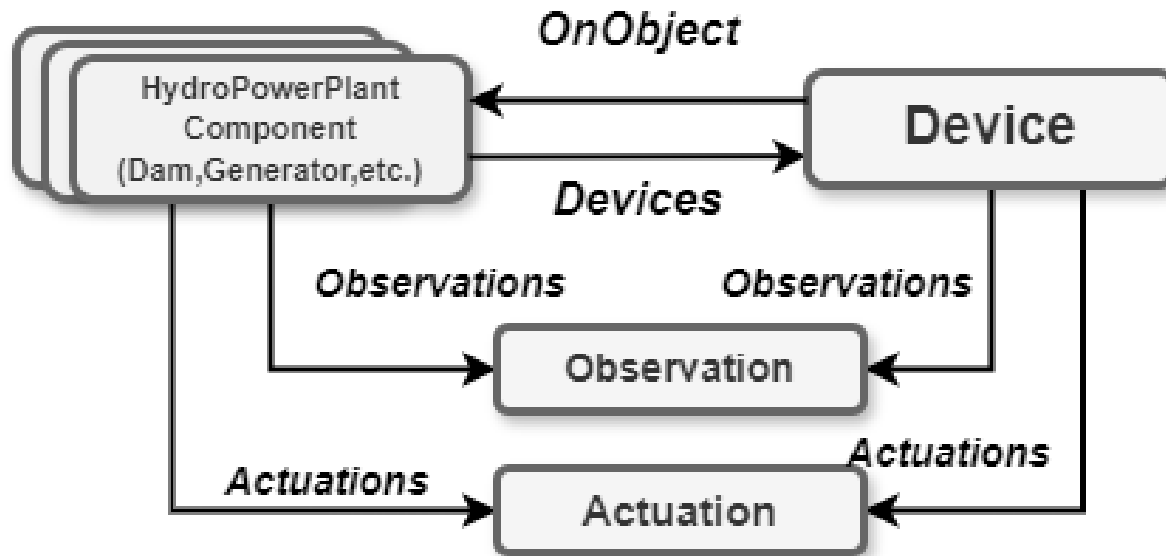
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9   },
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Bouloukakis et al. IoT'22



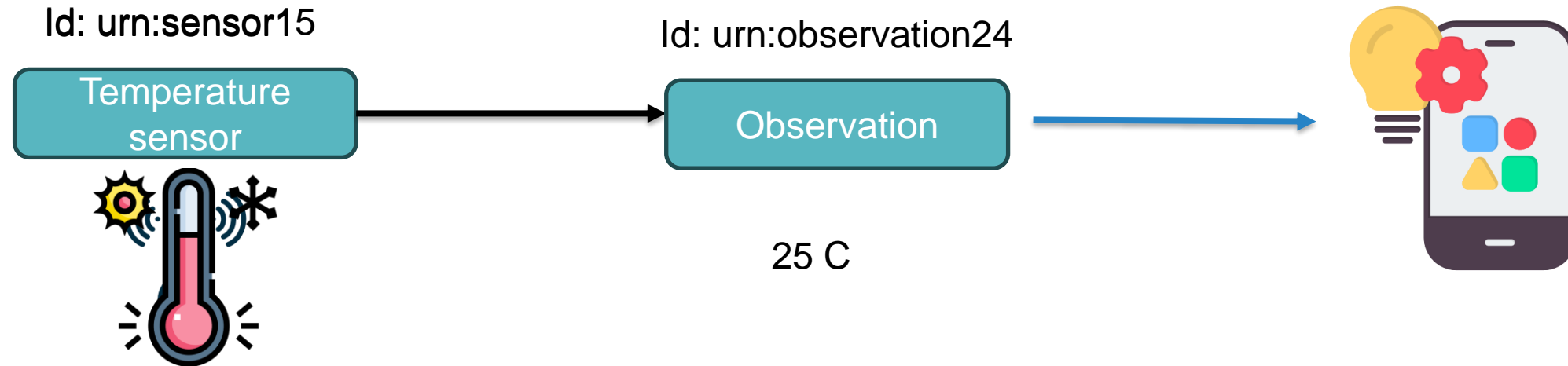
## Di-Hydro Data Models: Dynamic Data



Based on Papadakis et. al.  
CSWI'2022

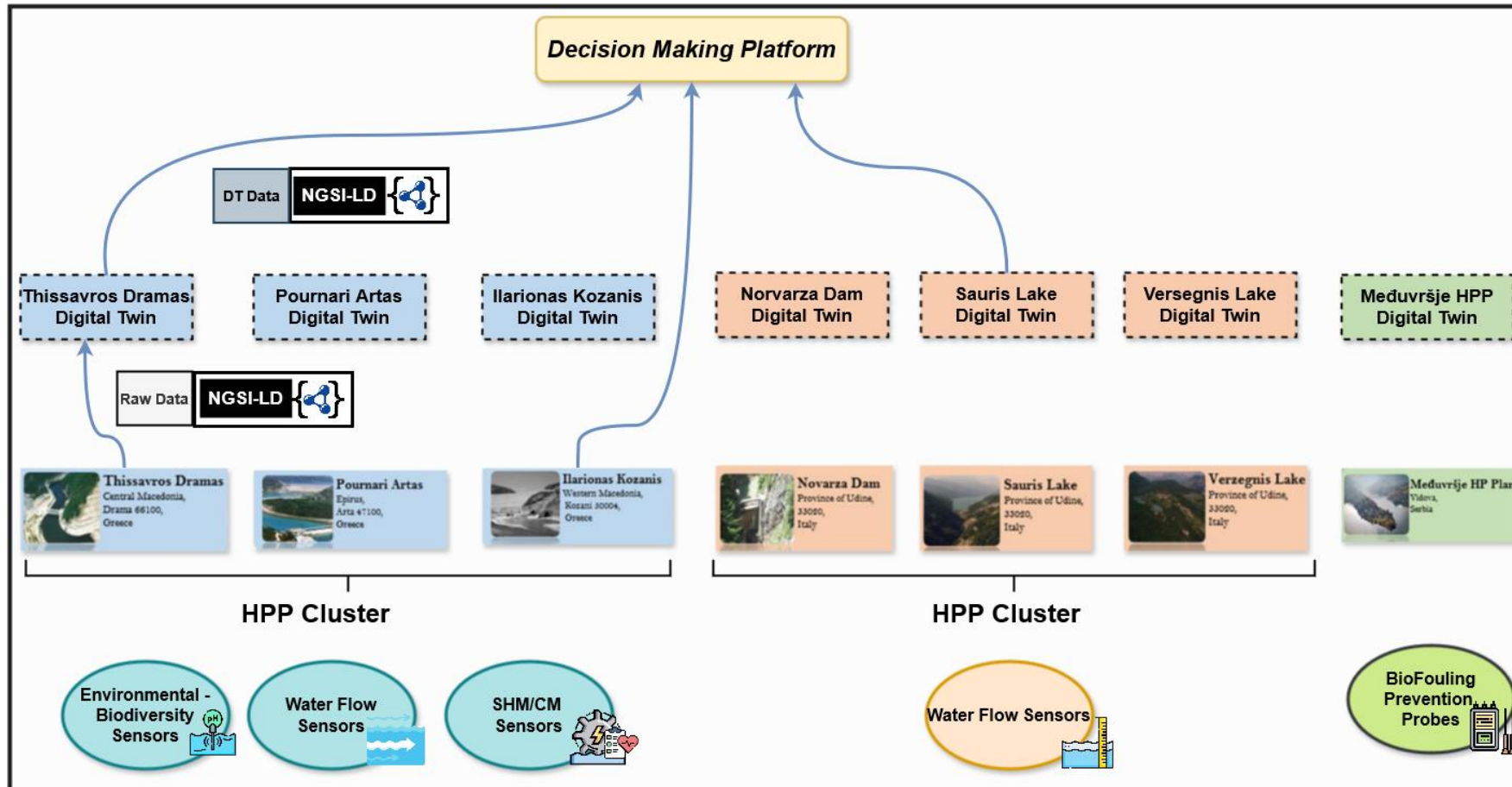
Decoupling of device data from  
observartions

## Di-Hydro Data Models: Dynamic Data





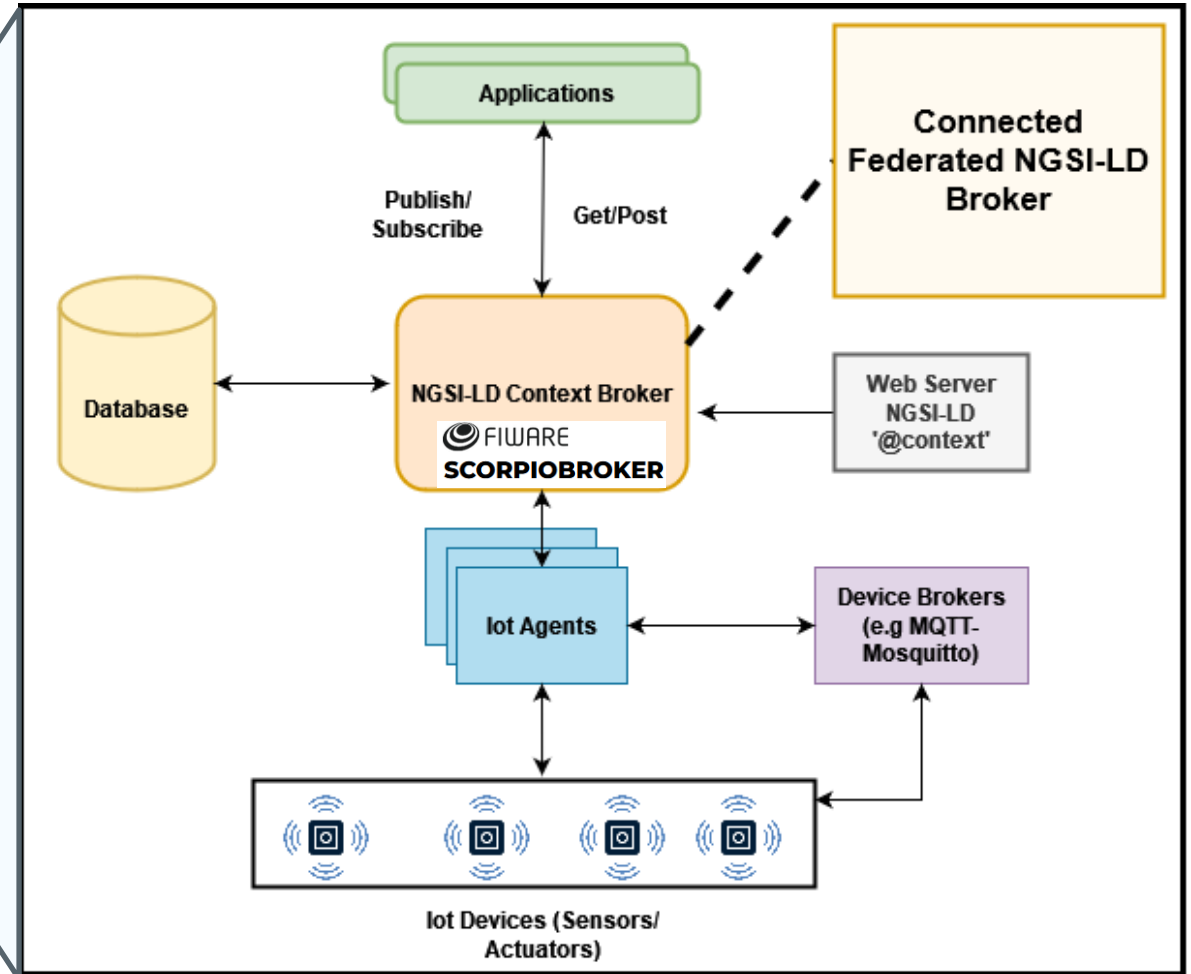
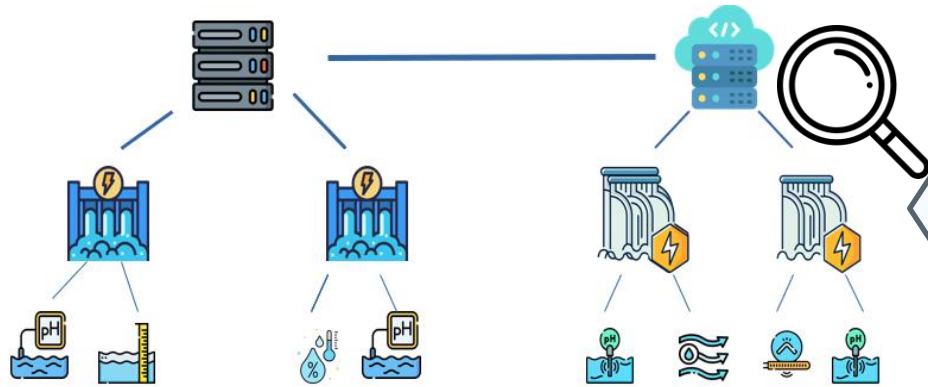
## The Di-Hydro Envisioned Federated Ecosystem



## Implementation in a Federated Context



*Federated "Node" Design*

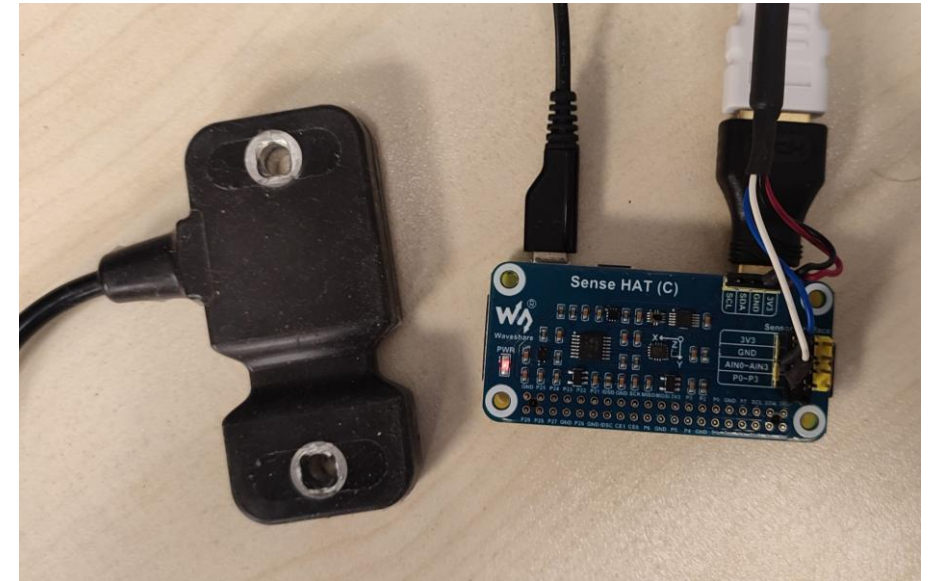




Modeled and deployed real Smart Hydropower Plant Data

### Example “Anonymized” Version of Subset of technical description of Hydropower Plant data

	HPP A	HPP B	HPP C
Installed Capacity	160MW	380MW	310MW
Turbine type	Francis	Kaplan	Pelton
Num. of Turbines	2x80MW	4x95MW	3x103MW
Yearly production	340GWh	460GWh	250GWh
Net Head	105m	152m	85m
Dam Type	Rockfill	Rockfill	Arch Dam
Dam Volume	8.3m.c.m.	13.1m.c.m.	8.8m.c.m.
Dam Height	128m	168m	92m
Dam Length	550m	490m	570m
Reservoir Volume	408m.c.m.	683m.c.m.	712m.c.m.
Reservoir Useful Volume	315m.c.m.	570m.c.m.	299m.c.m.
Avg Yearly Water Intake	1027m.c.m	962m.c.m	1467m.c.m
Reservoir Min Op Lvl	367m	322m	101m
Reservoir Max Op Lvl	397.5m	378m	122m
Reservoir Max lvl	401m	384.8m	127m



Multi sensor module and crack growth meter



## “Validation”, examples of enabled Queries



NGSI LD



Query: Get Real-Time and Historical Water Flow Rate Measurements for a Specific Penstock. Filtering by Date Range:

```
curl -X GET 'serveraddr/ngsi-ld/v1/entities/urn:ngsi-ld:Penstock:001?attrs=observations'
curl -X GET 'serveraddr/ngsi-ld/v1/entities/?type=Observation&id=urn:ngsi-ld:Observation:WaterFlow:001,urn:ngsi-ld:Observation:WaterFlow:002&attrs=measurement.waterFlowRate&options=temporalValues&timerel=between&time=2024-07-01T00:00:00Z&endTime=2024-07-31T23:59:59Z'
```

Query: Find all turbines and their efficiency metrics within a specific powerhouse' showing which governors control them:

```
curl -X GET 'serveraddr/ngsi-ld/v1/entities/?type=Turbine&q=isPartOfPowerHouse==urn:ngsi-ld:PowerHouse:001&attrs=efficiency,controlledByGovernor'
```

Query: Retrieve all dams and their properties within a specific hydropower plant:

```
curl -X GET 'serveraddr/ngsi-ld/v1/entities/?type=Dam&q=isPartOfHydroPowerPlant==urn:ngsi-ld:HPP:001'
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## The Road Ahead...

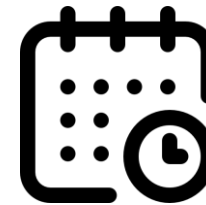


Continuous refinement and feedback from partners



Today!

Di-Hydro Data Model V 0.1



The future

Di-Hydro Data Model V 1.0

**Available as Open Source!**

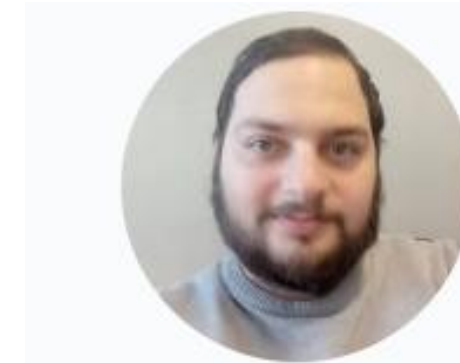


Industry Adoption

Thank you all for Listening! Let's Stay in Touch



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