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# V2GLiberty: The open stack that could

How we enable EV owners to be ahead of the industry, with open source software.





#### Who we are

# Seita Energy Flexibility



Smart backend for energy flexibility apps.





UX- & Service Design for a positive impact.





#### Vehicle-to-Grid: What and why?

EVs which can send power back to the grid.



- Support the grid
- Use your own solar energy
- Lower your energy bill (buy low, sell high)

*EPEX day-ahead price spreads within a day have grown* **300%** *Between 2019 and 2021. (Source: Vattenfall Markt Expertise Desk)* 

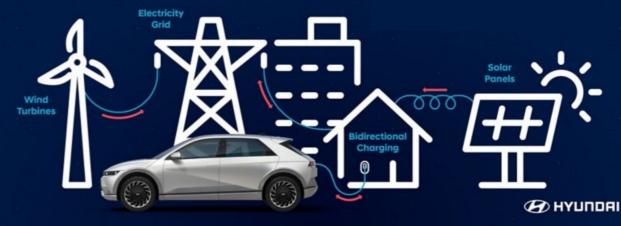
#### Where is it? Do we want it?





There are big plans, but industry is taking their time to build integrated (and possibly siloed solutions).

#### How Vehicle-to-Grid supports a renewable future



## The V2G Liberty project

<u>Kickoff</u>: Fall 2021 in Utrecht <u>Now</u>: 1 year of data, 5 new locations

Why?

- Didn't want to wait for industry
- Showcase open source stack
- Challenge ourselves

#### What will I show today?

- Stack
- Design
- Some outlooks







#### What do we need? (what is available?)

EV with CHAdeMO (Nissan Leaf) V2G-capable charger (Wallbox Quasar talks modbus, not yet OCPP)

*Local computer* (*Raspberry PI*)







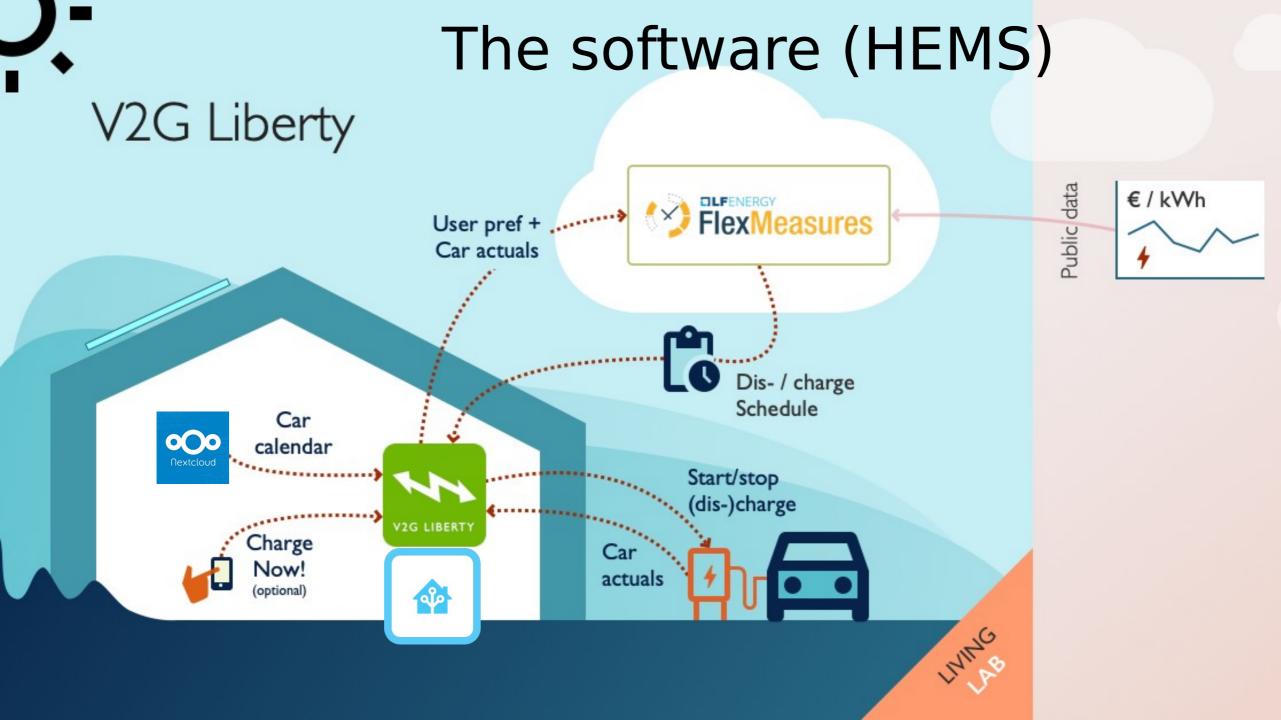
*Ideally, an energy contract with dynamic tariffs* 



... or even solar panels







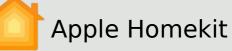
#### Home assistant



Among many others these companies provide add-ons for Home-assistant:

amazon alexa

**Google** Assistant



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- Software for home automation
- Free & open-source
- Cheap hardware
- Local control  $\rightarrow$  privacy
- Web-based user interface (+ apps for Android and iOS)



#### FlexMeasures

FM's goal is to answer this question: "What are the best times to run flexible assets, like batteries, heat pumps or industry processes?"

A platform for automating energy optimization throughout the day, to save  $CO_2$  and costs.

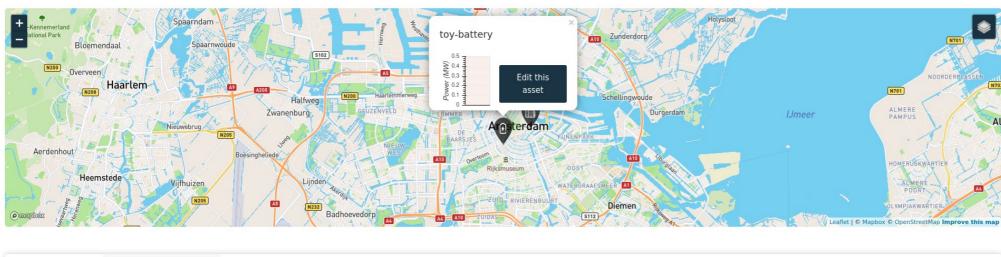
- Python
- Developer-friendly (e.g. plugins, good docs, API, CLI, ...)
- E-mobility, industry, built environment







#### Status of my assets:



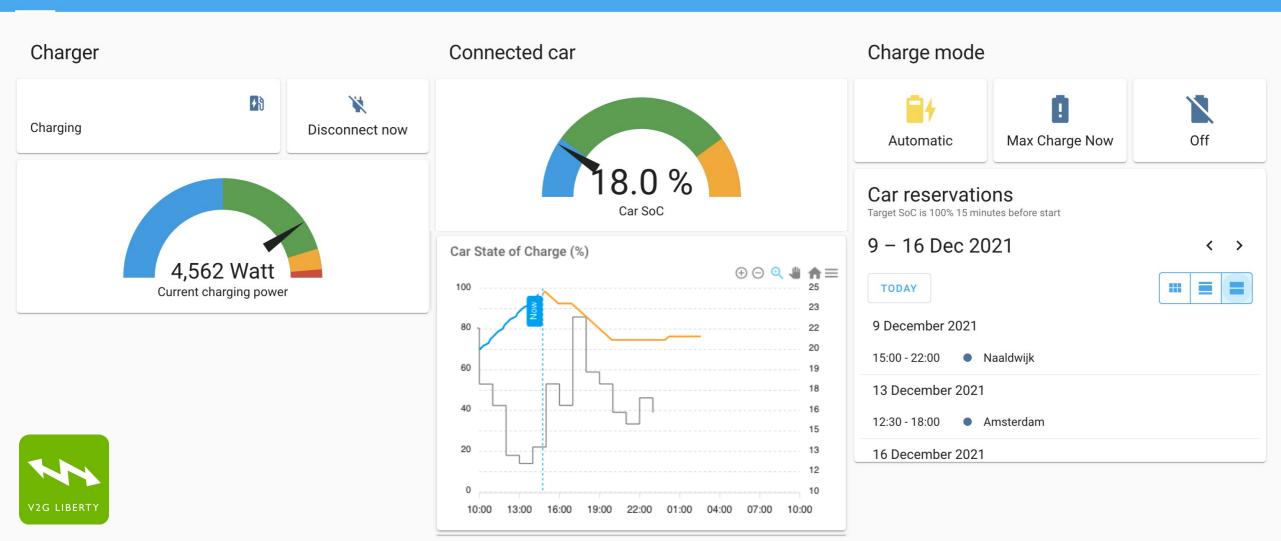
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This is the back-office in FlexMeasures.

Usually, our partners build their own UI, like we did in V2GLiberty.

Renewables	Solar	Batteries	Buildings	Temperatures	Wind_speeds	Radiations	Weather stations
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#### V2G Liberty – HomeAssistant plugin



#### User experience (3)

- Should not ask constant attention
  → Automation, user in control
- I'm always ready to ride
- I can trust the system
- It's helping the climate
- It's cost-saving
  - → Optimize (dis) charging
  - $\rightarrow$  Protect the battery

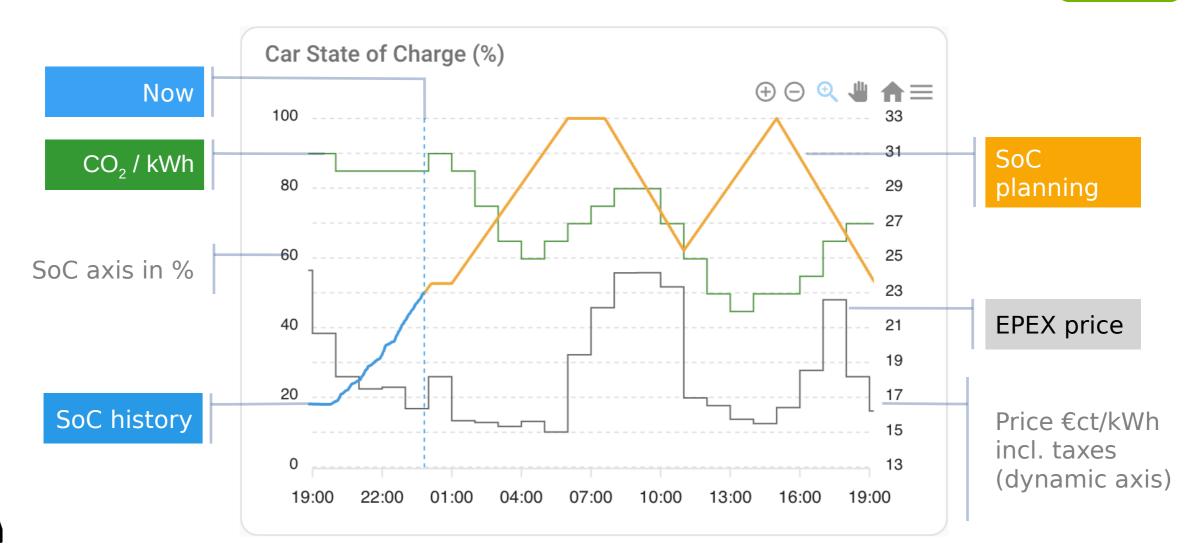
V2G research has shown that drivers accept low minimum SoC as long as they can easily overwrite the automated system.





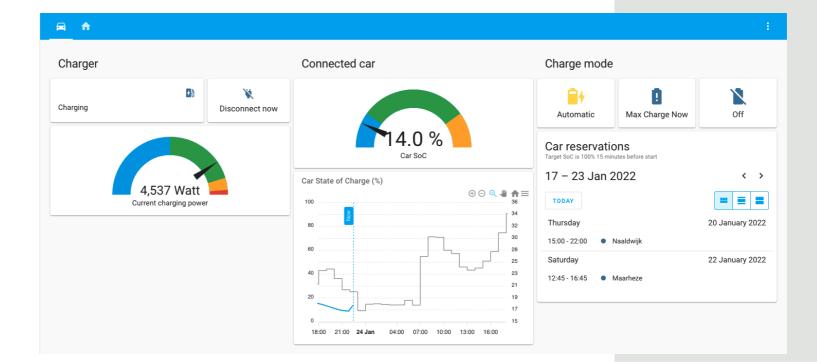
## V2G Liberty Dashboard





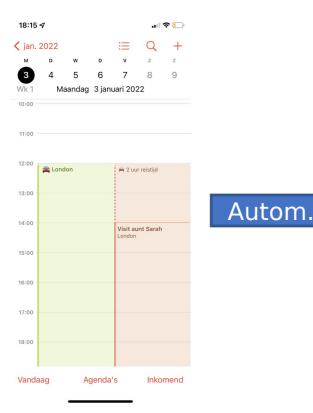
#### Auto returns with SoC < 20%

- Directly charge maximum speed
- Healthy SoC: 20 80%
- Minimum SoC of 20%  $\approx$  60 80km





#### Car reservation $\rightarrow$ 100% SoC

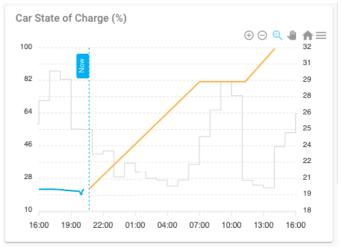




#### Charge mode

Automatic	Max Charge Now	Off				
Car reservations Target SoC is 100% 15 minutes before start						
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#### State

- Installation effort could be lower Needs technical skills
- If it works, it works (monitoring can be improved)
- Users are happy, now 5 installations
- Earnings up to > € 10 per day
- EV energy costs € 0,06 per km

With 20.000 km/year

For 95% of EV drivers the EV is their main car, 40% do not own an IEC (anymore).

Despite many options for car sharing, it seldom is a reason not to (also) own a car.



#### **Business case**

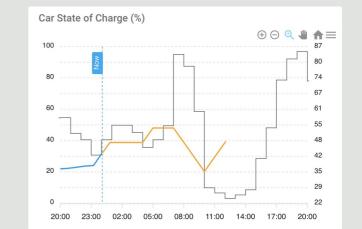
20000 km driven in 10 months (used for work and vacation), ~  $\in$  0,06/km

	Energy	Costs
charge	8.921 kWh	€ 2.640,45
discharge	5.607 kWh	€ -2.448,80
netto	3.314 kWh	€ 191,65

Compare this to no smart operation at fixed costs ( $\in$  640) or dynamic tariff ( $\in$  1440). Recall that spreads are increasing.



Note: Investment for V2G Charger = x 4 normal charger.





## V2G Liberty roadmap

- Easier installation
- Update process automatable (via HA)
- UI upgrades, KPIs
- Learn from users
- Support other chargers, cars, standards (CCS 2? OCPP?)

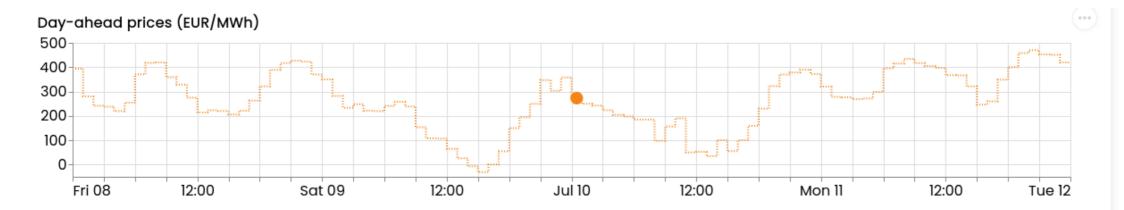
#### FlexMeasures roadmap

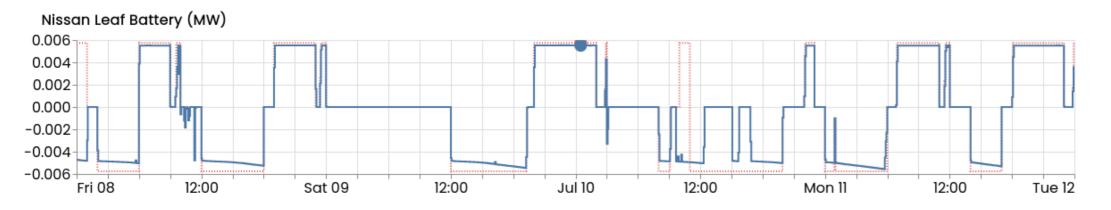
- Optimize heat & e-mobility together
- "Super-accounts" who manage sub-accounts
- Optimizing towards network congestion support

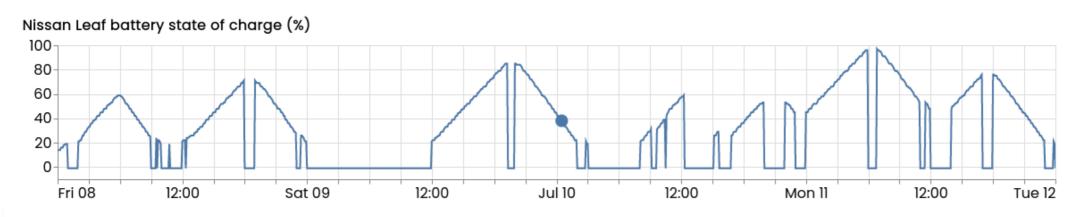












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#### Questions?





