

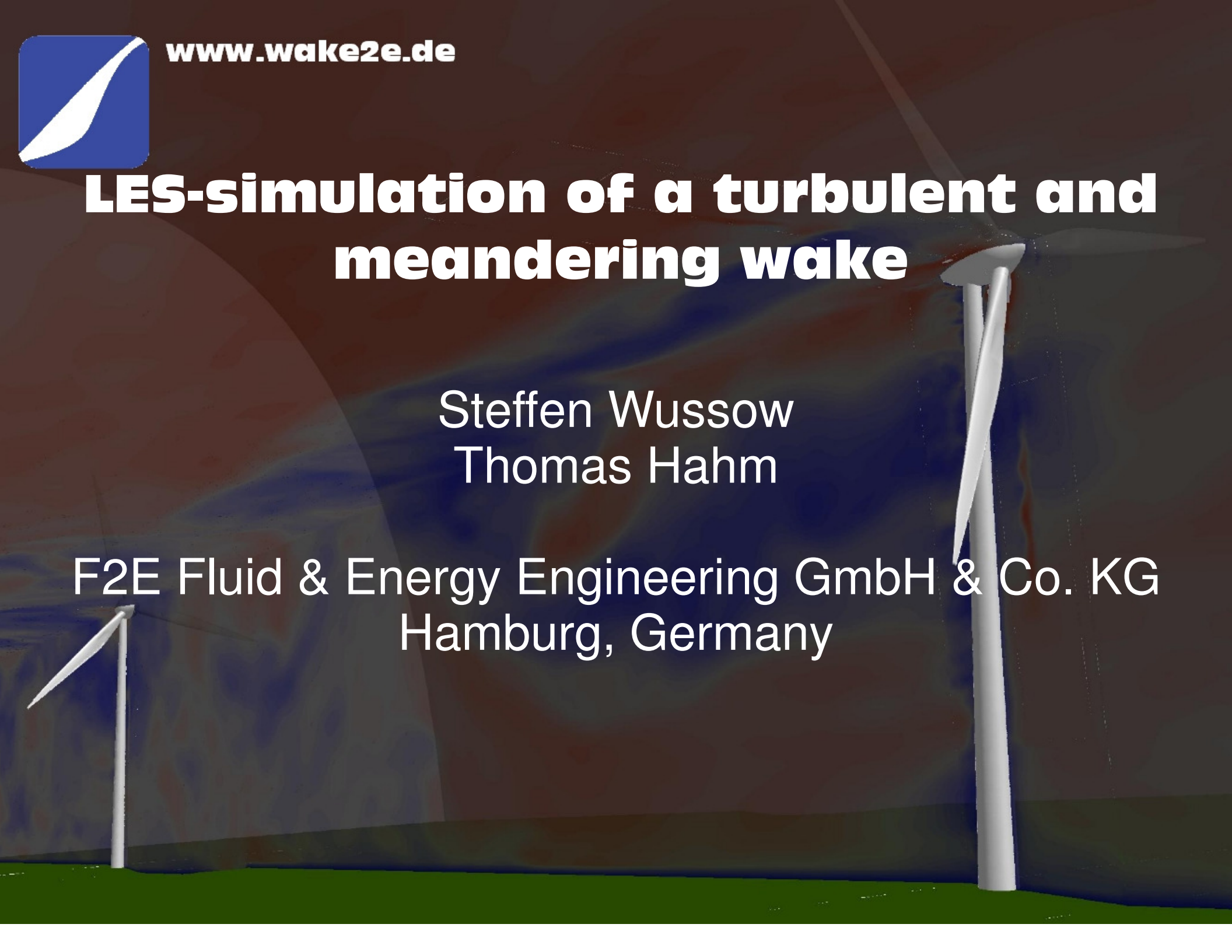


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LES-simulation of a turbulent and meandering wake

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Introduction

- **Motivation:** inside a wind farm WTs are subject to turbulent wakes. A detailed knowledge of these wind fields is necessary to better understand the wind loads and the power performance in (closely spaced) wind farms.
- **CFD:** can provide 3-dimensional wind fields for e.g. BEM-based models
- **History:**
 - 2000: RANS, k - ϵ -turbulence-model
 - 2003: DES (DIBt research project)
 - 2007: LES
 - 2009: LES (improved)



Short description of the model

- **Software:** ANSYS FLUENT 6.3
- **WT modelled:** 2 WT ENERCON E66, hub height 65m, spacing: 4.25D
- **Turbulence Model:** LES with Smagorinsky-Lilly Subgrid-scale-modell
- **Grid:** Domain extent 1.5 RD upstream and 3D downstream of the second WT. Pure Hexader grid (7.8 million cells). Full WT geometry, rotating hub, blades can be pitched individually
- **Wind input:** 3 component von-Karman-Model
- **Data:** 50.000 measuring points, monitoring rate 10Hz. Located at 2.0, 2.5, 3.0 and 3.5D behind the first WT



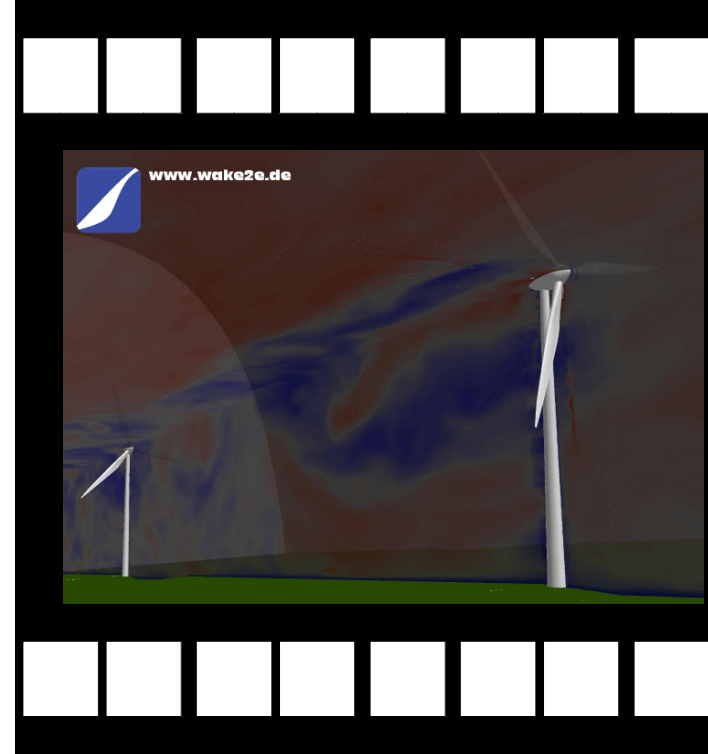
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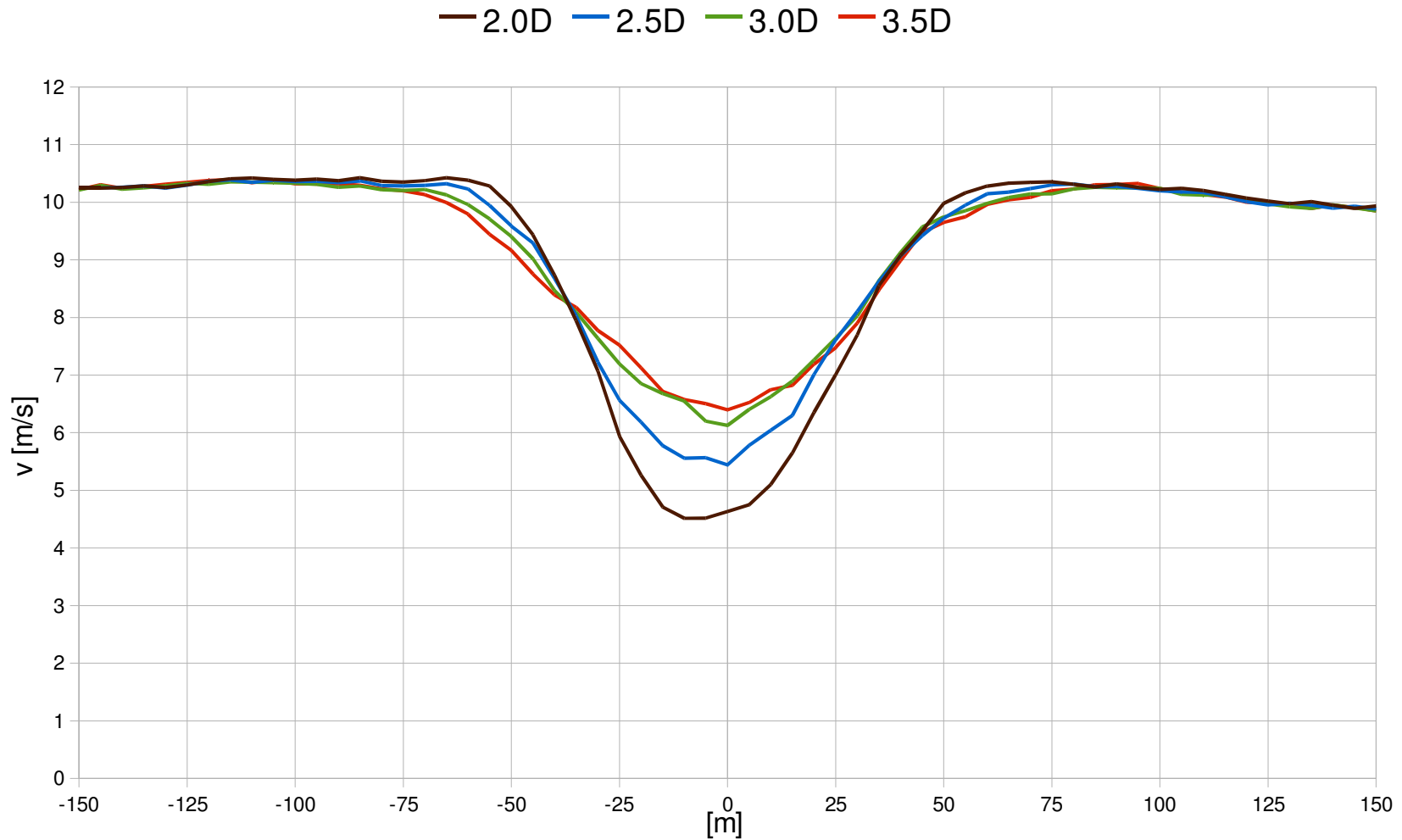
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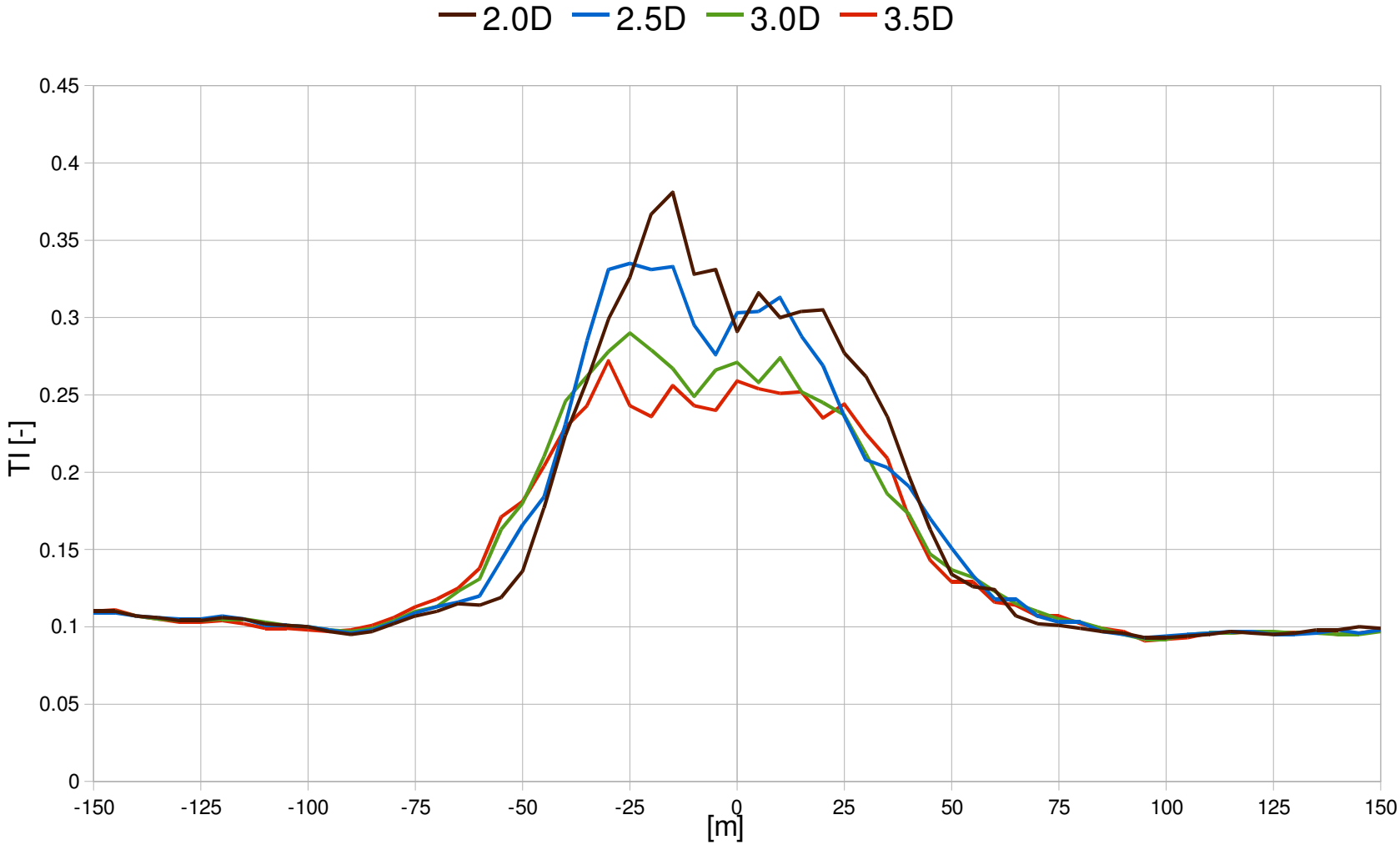
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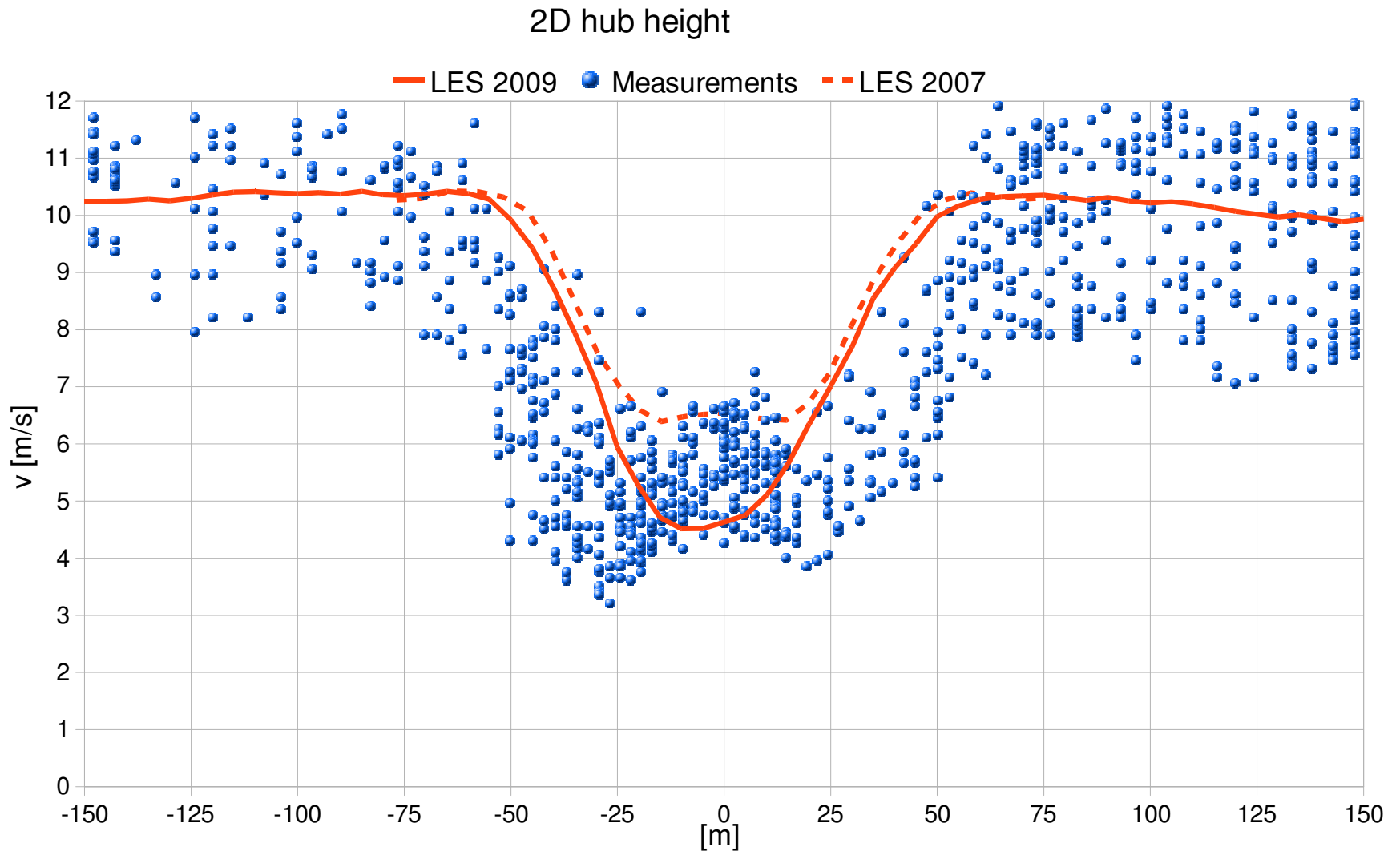
Results: mean velocity at hub height



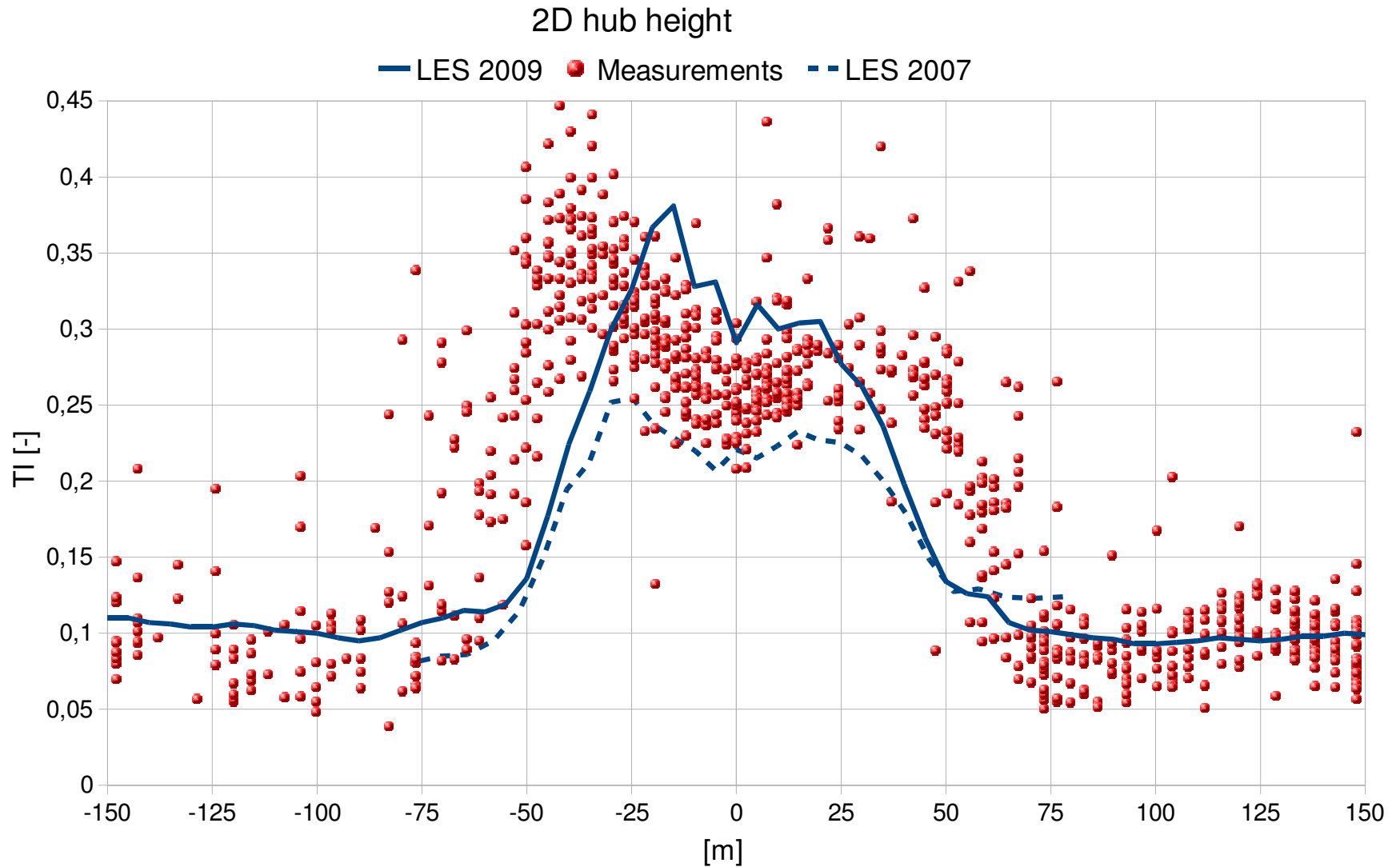
Results: turbulence intensity at hub height



Comparison – velocity profile



Comparison – turbulence intensity



Outlook

- Transfer wind data to input files for BEM based models
- Perform CFD-simulation with different wind models and conditions
- Implement control algorithm of WT

