## High energy density Mg-Based metal hydrides storage system EDEN (303472)



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### **PROJECT OVERVIEW**

- SP1-JTI-FCH.2011.2.4 Novel H2 storage materials for stationary and portable applications
- APPLICATION AREA SP1-JTI-FCH.2: HYDROGEN PRODUCTION & DISTRIBUTION
- From 2012-10-01 to 2016-01-31, ongoing project
- Total budget: EUR 2.653.574, EU FCH-JU contribution EUR 1.524.900
- EDEN aims at research, development and validation of a solid-state hydrogen storage technology for specific sector of stationary applications and at support of distributed grid level applications. The main objectives of this research project address the development of a new storage material with high hydrogen storage capacity, loaded into a specifically designed storage tank and able to be managed in real-time.
- Stage of implementation (95 % project duration passed)
- Project Consortium



High Energy Ball Milling



#### **OVERALL TARGET**

develop a *new storage material* with high hydrogen storage capacity, able to be managed in real-time for distributed level applications, included on a specifically designed storage tank and interlinked to an energy provision system able to match intermittent energy sources with local energy demand (buildings, small dwellings).

|                       | Storage Properties       |       |
|-----------------------|--------------------------|-------|
|                       | Unit                     | Value |
| Gravimetric Capacity  | kgH <sub>2</sub> /kg (%) | 7.1   |
|                       | kWh/kg                   | 2.4   |
| Volumetric Capacity   | kgH <sub>2</sub> /I      | 0.13  |
|                       | kWh/l                    | 4.4   |
| Operating T           | °C                       | 320   |
| Max Delivery pressure | bar                      | 2     |
| Min Charging Pressure | bar                      | 3     |
| Desorption rate*      | gH <sub>2</sub> /min     | >1    |

TARGET 1. MATERIAL Best candidate: ED011





\* For 1kg of material, at 320 °C and 1.2 bar (0.2 barG).

#### **TARGET 2. STORAGE TANK**

- Full innovative design (patent under application)
- Thermal management with rSOC
- Innovative design embedding HEAT PIPES, MATERIAL COMPACTION, VARIABLE DENSITY HEAT TRANSFER MEDIUM INSIDE
   TOTAL MATERIAL: 10 kg
   TEMPERATURE GRADIENT : ~ 1° C
   REACTION KINETICS A/D: > 3 g/min
   FUEL AVAILABILITY: 90%





#### TARGET 3. INTEGRATED SYSTEM

- Power input (Electrolyzer mode): 2,5 kW<sub>el</sub>
- Power output (FC mode): 1,5 kW<sub>el</sub>
- Delivery: 20NI/min H<sub>2</sub> (about 1mol)
- Hourly consumption  $240 \text{ mol} (= 6000 \text{ g MgH}_2)$
- Tank prototype: effective Volume: 20 I => 720g H<sub>2</sub>,
- About 8000 NI H<sub>2</sub>, lasts for about 10h (full load)

| Programme<br>objective/target                                   | Project<br>objective/target | Project<br>achievements<br>to-date  | Expected final achievement   |  |
|---|-----------------------------|---|--|--|
| MAIP (Not applicable to solid state H2 storage system)          |                             |   |  |  |
|   |                             |   |  |  |
| AIP   |                             |   |  |  |
| > 6% w Hydrogen storage capacity                                | > 6% w                      | 7,1 % w   | 7,1 % w  |  |
| > <b>4% w</b><br>Tank system storage<br>capacity                | 4% w                        | 5,9 % w<br>(storage internal geometry)<br>1,3 % w<br>(FULL TANK - weight<br>optimization not addressed) | to be otimized   |  |
| <b>Any FC</b><br>Compatibility with FC<br>systems               | SOFC                        | rSOC  | 100%<br>to be otimized   |  |
| < 500 €/kg<br>Long term run cost of<br>stored H2 – system level | 300 €/kg                    | <b>570 €/kg</b><br>4 year ÷ 1 year<br>of system running   | Set up a value chain for<br>industrial production to<br>reduce this cost |  |

#### FINAL TECHNOLOGY TARGETS

- Reliable system, 4000 working hrs / year
- Embedded design: everything in 3 m<sup>3</sup> on the first prototype, target < 1 m<sup>3</sup>
- Efficient P2P system: target 40% overall efficiency
- The estimated price for EDEN material of 45 €/kg considering an industrial production for the catalyzed best candidate material -ED011

#### WHAT'S LEFT?

- BoP improvement (pressurization, water management)
- Pre-commercial development: standardization and modularity
- Demo project to arrive at a pre-commercial development of the technology (TRL 7 / 8)

### **RISKS AND MITIGATION**

- Gravimetric density, 4%:
  - **RISK:** the overall tank can't reach 4%, but 1,3% gravimetric density
  - NATURE of RISK: oversizing of metallic structures for security reasons
  - MITIGATION: for stationary applications, this is not a relevant target, within certain limits of system weight
  - FUTURE PERSPECTIVE: Gravimetric optimization has yet to be performed. Density can be leveraged to +100%
- System integration and In-field testing:
  - **RISK:** planning for 6 months in-field testing will be reduced
  - NATURE of RISK: Missing components from suppliers, additional time to have a new desiccant system to complete the prototype
  - MITIGATION: Prolonged validation of components in-lab, agreements with local authority in Trentino to run demo activity after the project will be closed
  - FUTURE PERSPECTIVE: long term tests will be performed, partly within the EDEN project and partly immediately after

# SYNERGIES WITH OTHER PROJECTS AND INITIATIVES

FCH JU projects on hydrogen storage

### Joint Workshop

Santa Cruz, Tenerife (Spain) October 2nd, 2013



More than 60 participants TOPICS: MATERIALS, HYDROGEN TANK, SYSTEM INTEGRATION, CROSS CUTTING ISSUES A BOOKLET SUMMARIZING MAIN OUTCOMES WAS REALIZED

- **IPHE Workshop**: Hydrogen A competitive Energy Storage Medium for large scale integration of renewable electricity (25 09 2012, Seville SPAIN)
- Interactions with European-level projects
  - HYPER, SSH2S and BORE4STORE (including final event)
  - FET FLAGSHIP GRAPHENE, FP7 H2020
  - **COST ACTION**: Nanostructured materials for solid-state hydrogen storage

### HORIZONTAL ACTIVITIES

- PhD education
  - Dr. Matteo Testi (FBK): modelling to design the solid state hydrogen tank, design of the integrated system, validation and tests
  - Mr. Hafeez Ullah (FBK): catalyst material and analysis
  - Mr. Pablo Acosta Mora (ULL): electrochemical characterization of SOFC units and physicochemical SOFC studies under the EDEN project.
- Project activities in safety, regulations, codes, standards
  - Validations in FBK following regulation Dlgs. TU 81/08, meeting with local authorities in Trento (PAT, APRIE), Involvement of the Barcelona Government, of the Energy Agency of Barcelona. Safety regulations for tests in Barcelona agreed with the Pompeers, following a Risk assessment analysis prepared by project partners.
- General public awareness
  - More than 10 national and international press releases on newspapers
  - 2 services on Italian National Television (RAI) and a report on TV DEDALO di ADA Channel - digital terrestrial channel
  - Press Release on BUILD UP, The European portal for energy efficiency
  - Final Dissemination Event open event





La casa pulita è a idrogeno e sta nascendo a Trento









EDEN Final Dissemination Event



### **DISSEMINATION ACTIVITIES**

- Website and dissemination materials (leaflet, brochure, card)
- **1 workshop** *"FCH JU Joint Workshop on Hydrogen Storage"* organized
- 1 panel session "HYDROGEN STORAGE: a key element for Future Energy Systems" organized
- 8 CONFERENCES attended with presentation
- 11 SCIENTIFIC PUBLICATIONS
- 3 PATENTS under evaluation for application
- WHITE PAPER on panel session results





### **EXPLOITATION PLAN/EXPECTED IMPACT**

**EDEN**: 1st POWER TO POWER SYSTEM integrating a hydrogen solid-state Mg-based storage solution and a rSOC with full thermal and fuel management

- MBN ED011 storage material at catalogue with a technical datasheet
- Realization of an industrial value chain for production the material, technology development
- Future plans: new DEMO project to move EDEN system from TRL5 to TRL7, in parallel to specific developments from partners to optimize components and design



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