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ASsessment of SOFC CHP systems build on the Technology of htceRamIX 3

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Project: Micro Combined Heat and Power based on SOFC technology

R&D to achieve proof - of - concept of μ CHP fuel cell systems

Budget: Total: 3096 k€ Funding: 1361 k€ 2011 – ~~2012~~ 2013

Partners: **Dantherm Power**, DK: Fuel cell system integrator
 HTCeramix, CH and I: SOFC cell, stack and HoTbox™ producer
 EIFER, D: Energy research and relation to large energy company
 CNR-ITAE, I: National research center on energy



Simulate, specify, optimize, design, build and test a fuel cell μ CHP units with target specifications:

- Power density of 0.375 W/cm² at nominal power
- Degradation and lifetime: 1%/1000h in system conditions
- Electrical efficiency (Peak) 50% net AC efficiency
- Electrical efficiency (Nominal avg.) 45% net AC efficiency
- Total efficiency of the system reached values up to 90%
- Modulation range demonstrated of 4:1 in terms of gas input
- 5000 hours of operation
- 10 thermal cycles
- Ability to start-up and shut-down without forming gas

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Project Objectives



Proof of feasibility of integrated SOFC μ CHP unit

- WP1 Coordination and management
- WP2 Simulate and specify SOFC μ CHP
- WP3 Build and optimize SOFC HoTbox™
- WP4 Design and develop SOFC μ CHP
- WP5 Test and validate SOFC μ CHP unit
- WP6 Dissemination



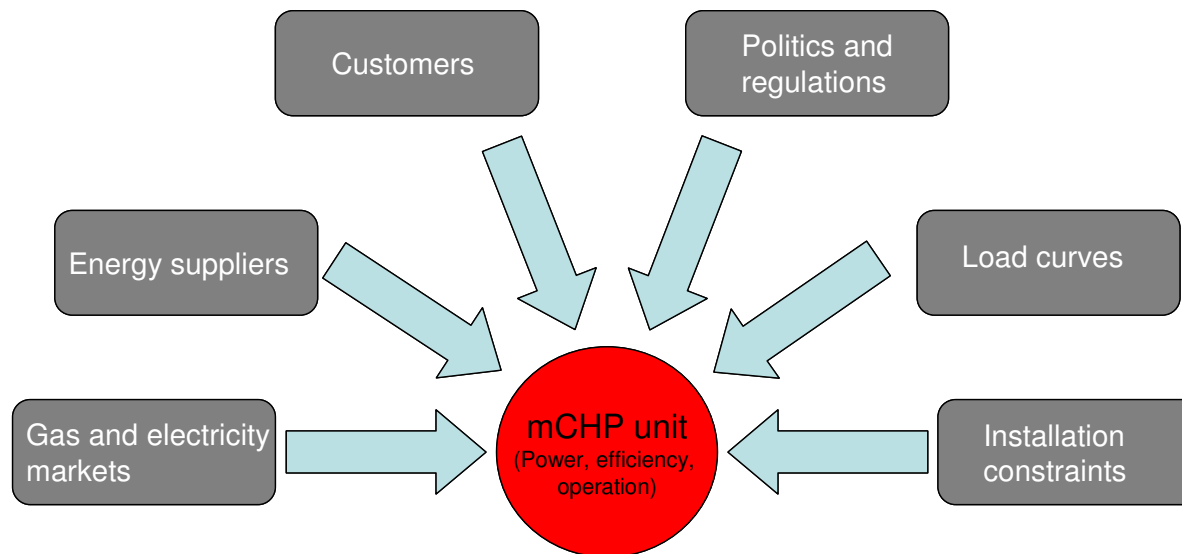
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Simulate and specify SOFC μ CHP



1. Initial proof of concept
2. Final system simulations
3. Final system specifications

μ CHP: a complicated environment, a multi parameter function, a lot of stakeholders



Too many constraints \Rightarrow A small potential for market development

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Main conclusions from available studies

Economic aspects:

- high el power required for economic sustainability
- high el efficiency required to reduce starts/stops
- optimum value for thermal production to be found

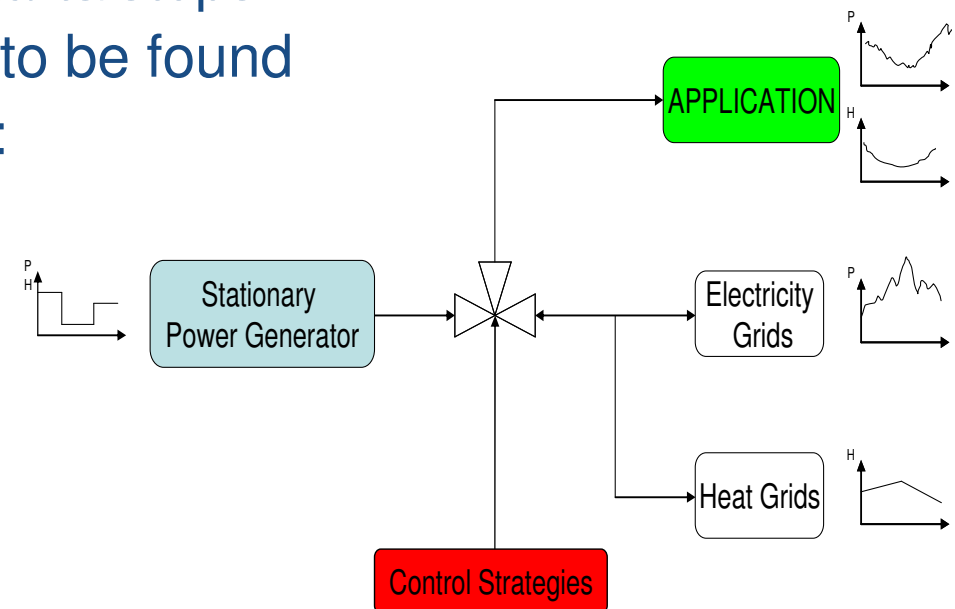
Environmental aspect (CO_2 /PE savings):

- main issue: grid mix (gCO_2/kWh)
- high total efficiency required
- optimum value for heat production

Importance of the hydraulic integration:

- heat management
- system control

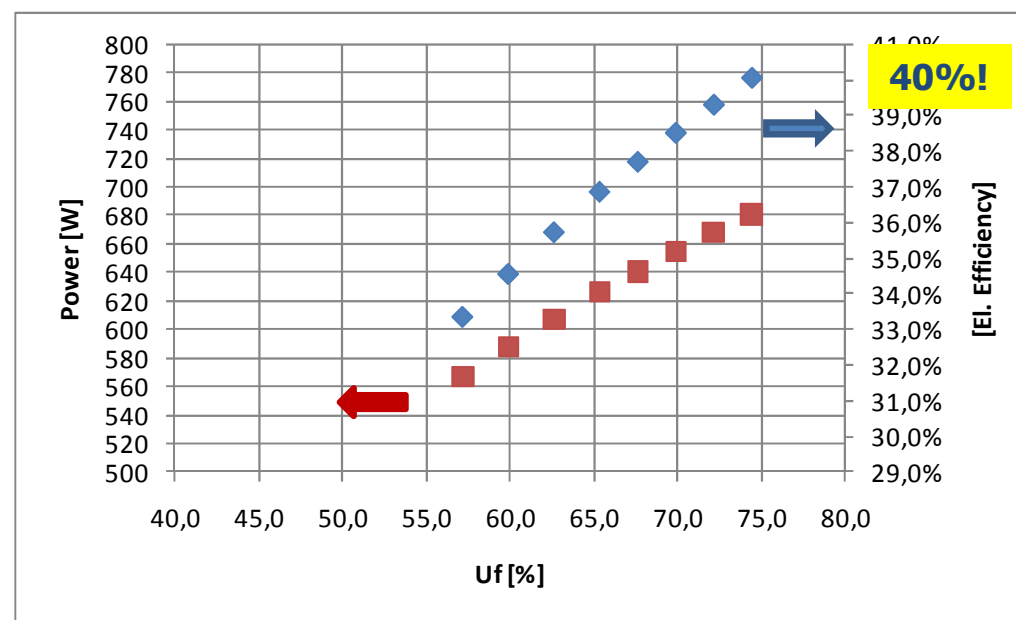
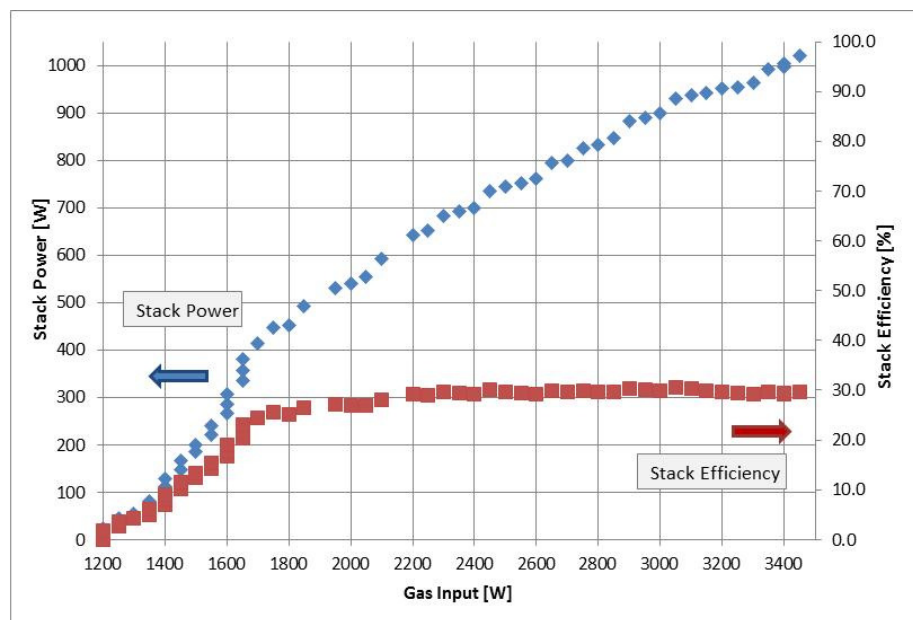
Ideal system? Depends on need (P and H) and location





Optimizing SOFC HoTbox™

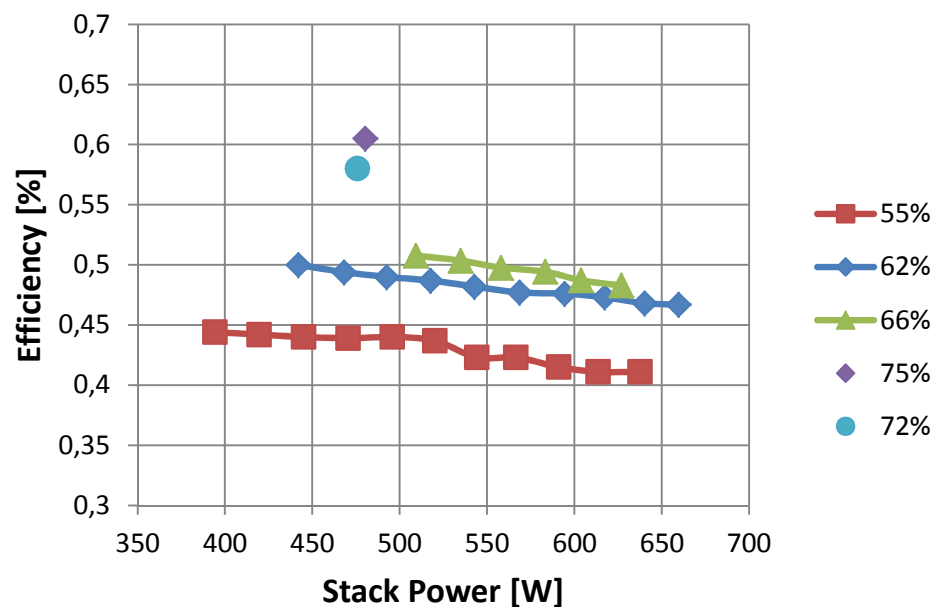
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- Steam reforming (SR)
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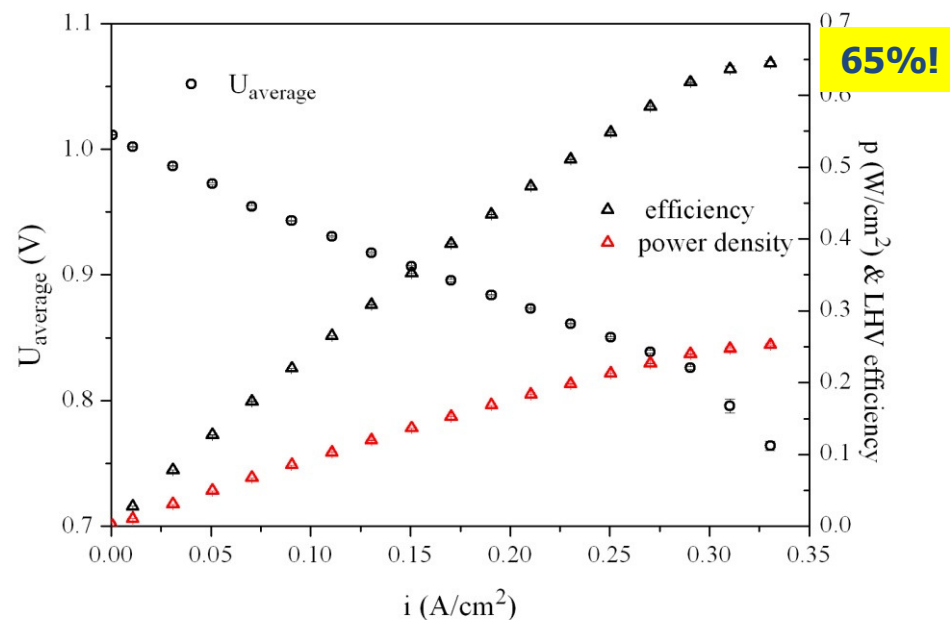


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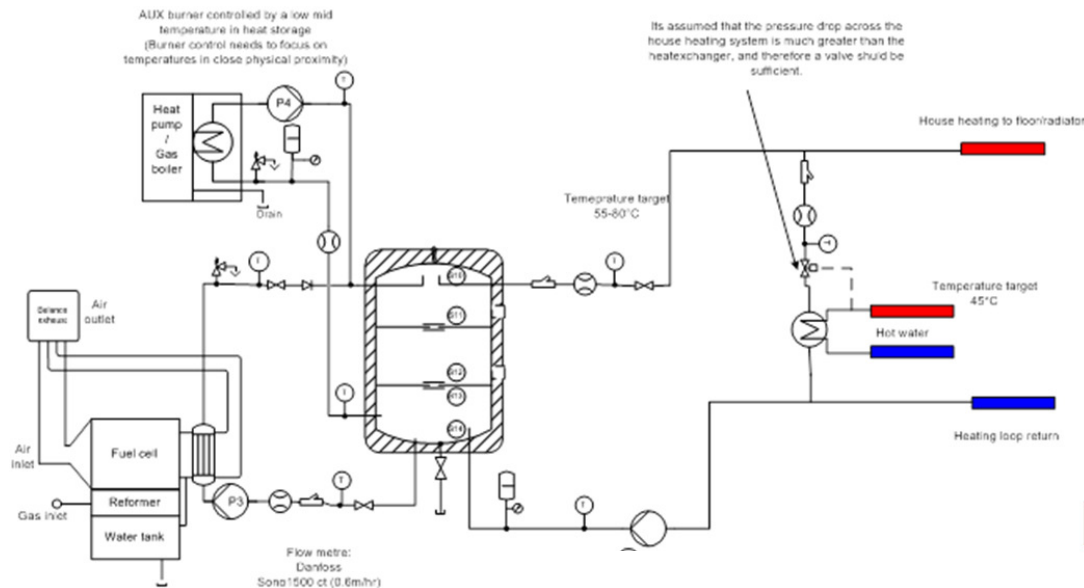


IV under MSR: 750°C, 0.65ml/min cm² CH₄, STC=2, λ=4

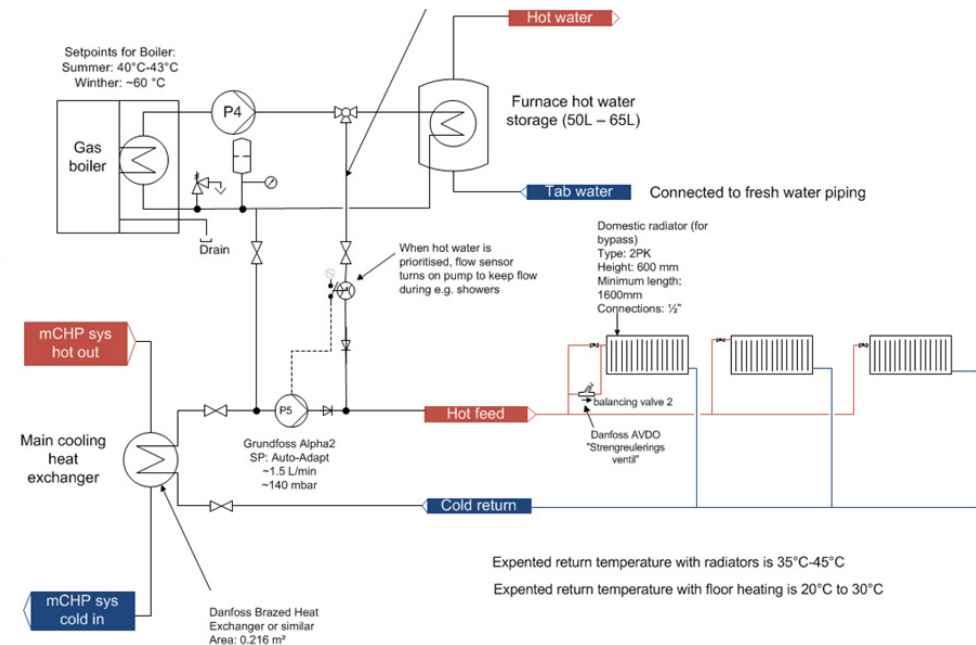


Strategies for thermal management

Operating with heat storage



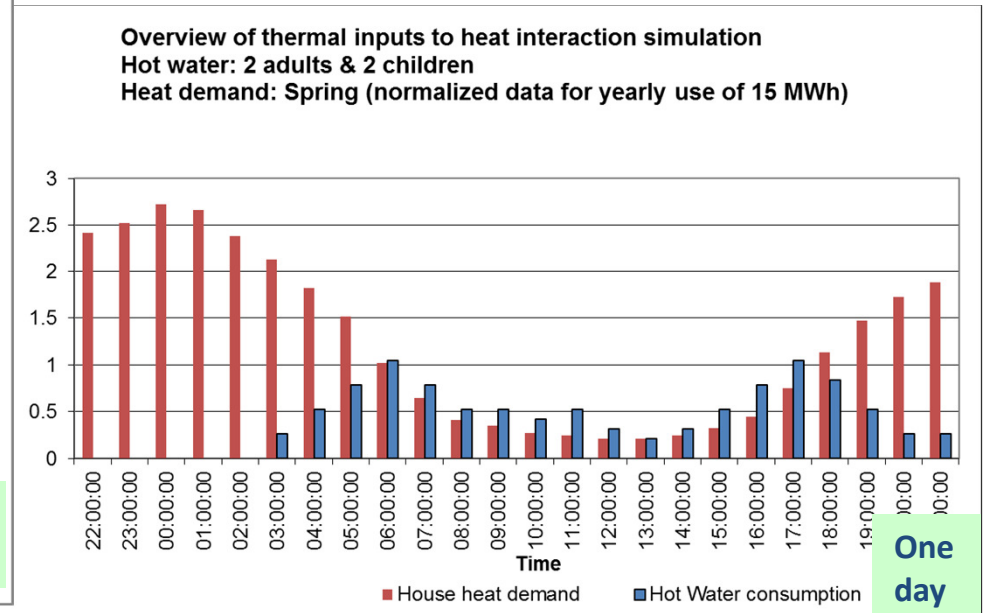
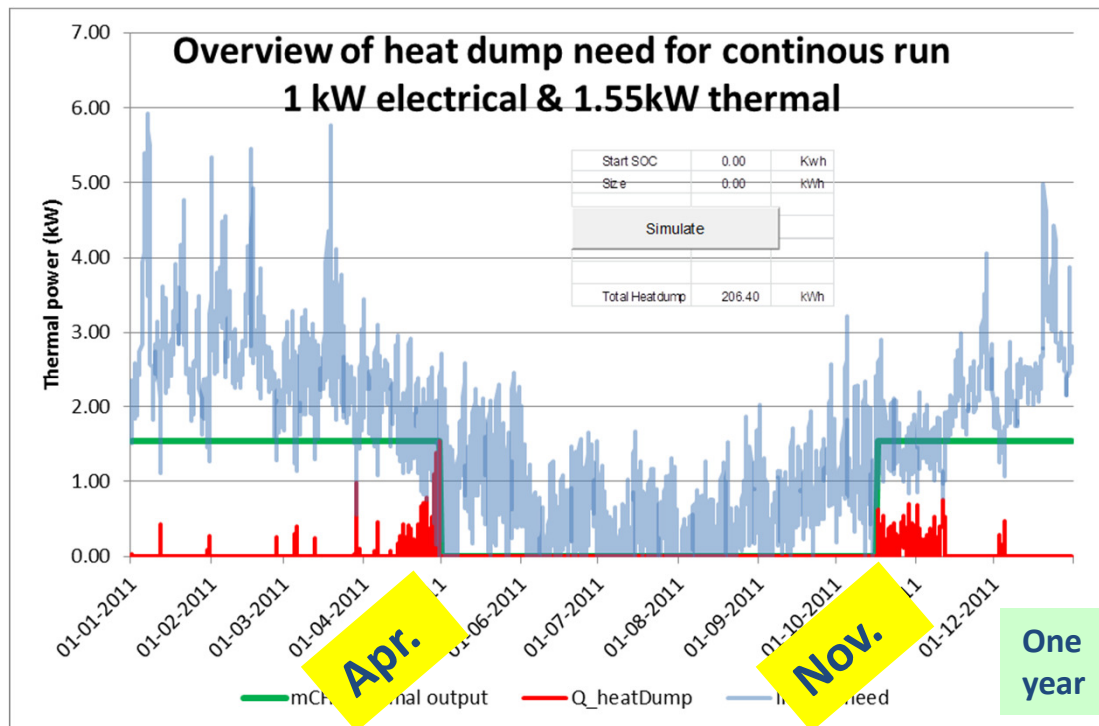
Operating without heat storage



Verification by test



Simulation of consequence of operating without heat storage



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Test and validate SOFC μ CHP unit

- A tests procedure will be written
- Tests carried out in EIFER facilities and at CNR-ITAE



Test program will be defined according to testing procedures drafted in the upcoming international standard IEC 62282-3-2, test methods for stationary fuel cell systems.





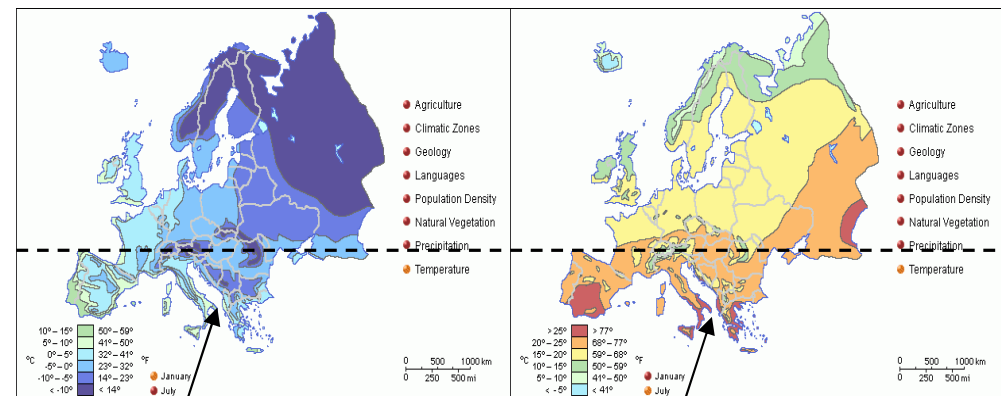
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Test and validate SOFC μ CHP unit

Hybrid heating solution using a heat pump to be investigated

Lab test of SOFC μ CHP and Geothermal HP Preliminary test shows better efficiency in the heat generation process can be achieved compared to traditional auxiliary burner.

Different climatic zones with different needs
Reversible Heat Pump is a solution



To Increase Heat Pump
COP

Cooling is required



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TO PROVIDE GENERAL PUBLIC WITH AN OVERVIEW OF THE PROJECT

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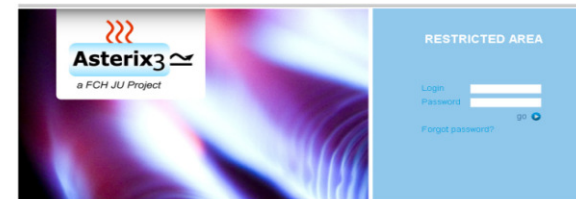
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Correlation with MAIP/AIP



AIP 2009: Stationary Power Generation & CHP

Primarily: Proof-of- concept fuel cell systems

Development of proof-of- concept prototype fuel cell systems for any stationary application, potential feature and technology. The aim is to demonstrate feasibility of proposed systems. The aim is to show interaction between the PoC FC systems with other devices required for delivering power, heat and cooling to end users.

- μ CHP based on SOFC technology proof-of-concept by simulation, specification, building, optimization, design, develop and test
- μ CHP interaction with heat storage
- μ CHP interaction with a standard installation
- μ CHP interaction with a heat pump solution

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Secondary: Validation of integrated fuel cell systems readiness

Development to show system readiness of integrated fuel cell systems in simulated application environments for typical lead applications. Economic manufacturing solutions need also to be addressed, ensuring that quality and cost targets are met.

- Understanding system level failure modes leading to more robust systems
- Maintenance and repair strategies for robust and reliable systems
- Automatic control, control strategy. heat, electricity ratio, grid connected
- Safety issues, legislation, CE marking, market requirements, legislative issues, feed in tariffs etc.

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Cooperation and perspective

- The cooperation in the ASTERIX III project is a continuation of 5 years R&D relationship between partners
- The consortium includes more elements in the value chain:
 - ↓ R&D and test lab. - *CNR-ITAE and EIFER*
 - ↓ Fuel Cell Stack and HoTbox company – *HTCeramix*
 - ↓ System integrator - *Dantherm Power*
 - ↓ Energy company - *EDF through EIFER*
- The partners plan a larger demonstration as a continuation of ASTERIX III
- The partners are involved in a number of other national and European project related to SOFC technology and μ CHP

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Questions?



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