



DEMOSOFC

Demonstration of large SOFC system fed with biogas from WWTP

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PROJECT OVERVIEW



Project Information

Call topic	FCH 02.11-2014 - Large scale fuel cell power plant demonstration in industrial/commercial market segments
Grant agreement number	671470
Application area (FP7) or Pillar (Horizon 2020)	Stationary application
Start date	01/09/2015
End date	31/08/2020
Total budget (€)	5'905'336.25
FCH JU contribution (€)	4'492'561.00
Other contribution (€, source)	Not yet
Stage of implementation	23% project months elapsed vs total project duration, at date of November 1, 2016
Partners	POLITO (IT),CONVION (FI),SMAT (IT), VTT(FI), ICL (UK)

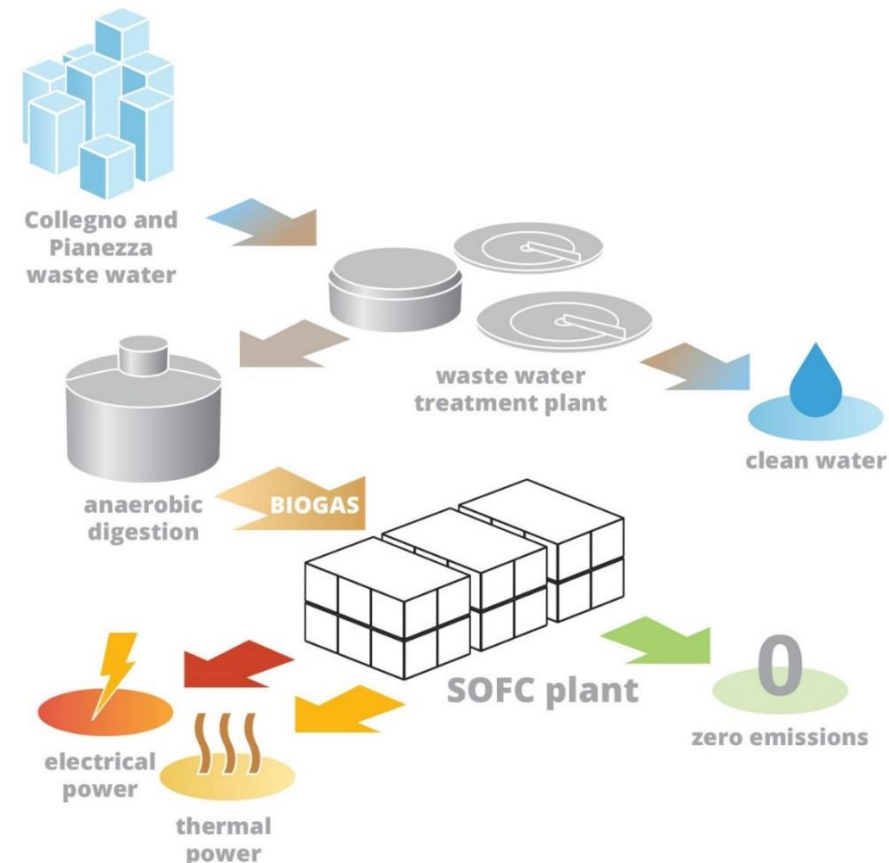
PROJECT SUMMARY

DEMOSOFC objectives:

- 1. **DEMO** and deep analysis of a **industrial size (174 kW_e) CHP system based on SOFC**, fed by a biogenous CO₂ neutral fuel (**biogas** from waste water treatment plant) in a real industrial installation: electrical efficiency, thermal recovery, low emissions, plant integration
- 2. **EXPLOITATION** and **BUSINESS** analysis of replication of this type of innovative energy systems
- 3. **DISSEMINATION** of the high interest (energy and economic) of such systems


Global positioning vs international state-of-the art:

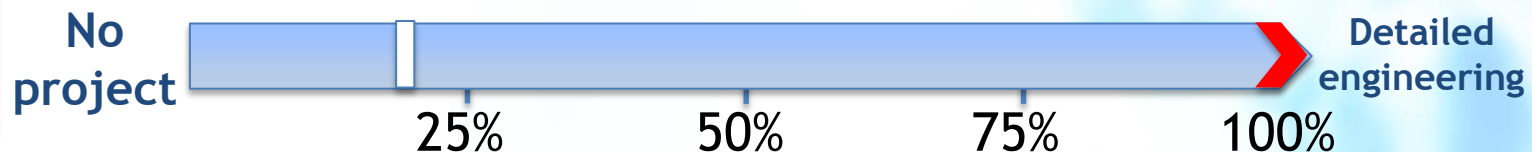
- Largest SOFC installation in EU (174 kW_e + 89 kW_{th}) fed by biogas from WWTP



PROJECT PROGRESS/ACTIONS

Detailed engineering

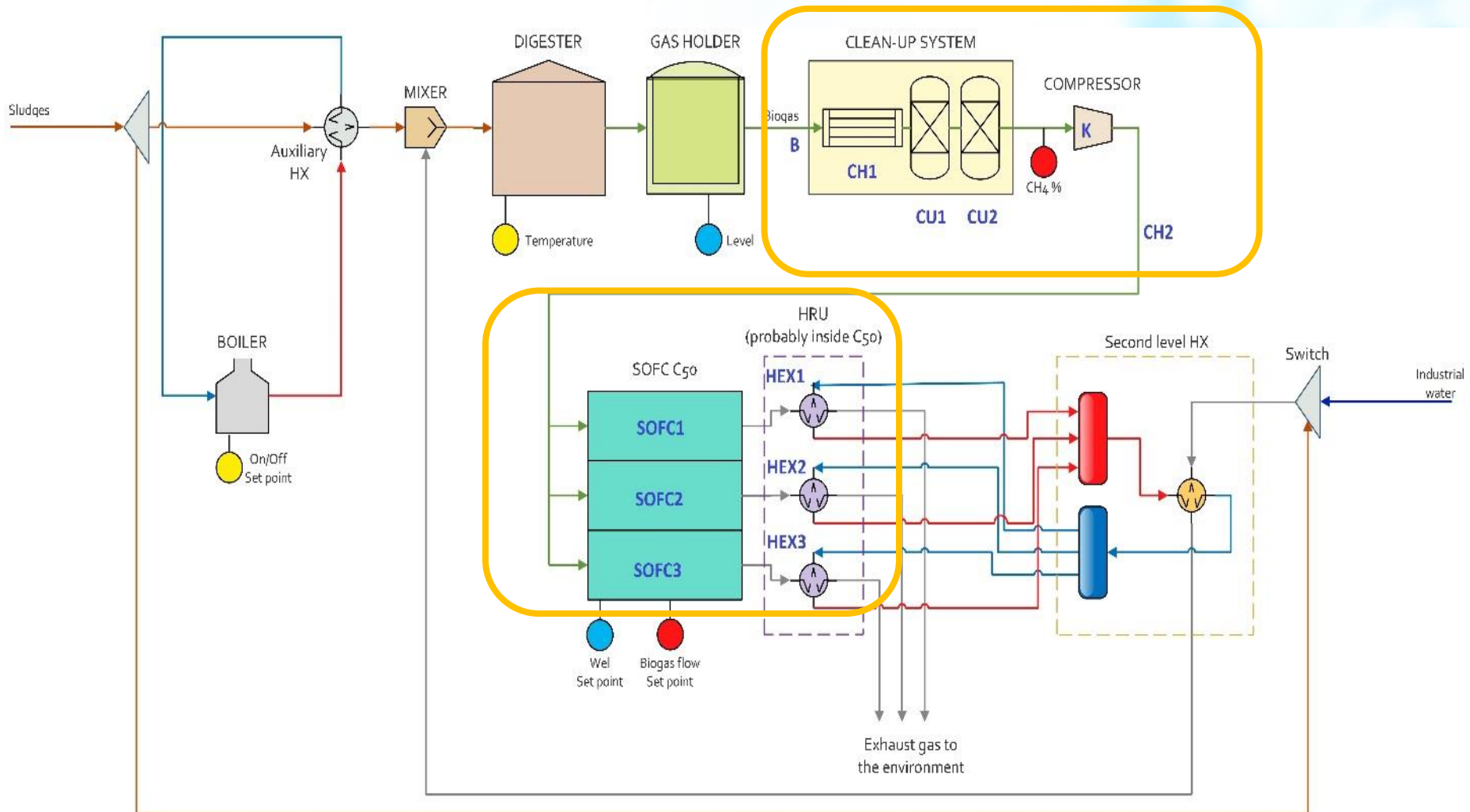
 Achievement to-date
 % stage of implement.



Aspect addressed	Parameter (KPI)	Unit	SoA 2016	FCH JU Targets		
				Call topic	2017	2020
Detailed engineering	The project target demonstration of solutions integrating 50 kW up to several MW power and heat from natural gas, biogas or hydrogen	1	No industrial size SOFC-based systems fed by biogas in EU	FC-based industrial size systems		

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Detailed engineering - General schematic



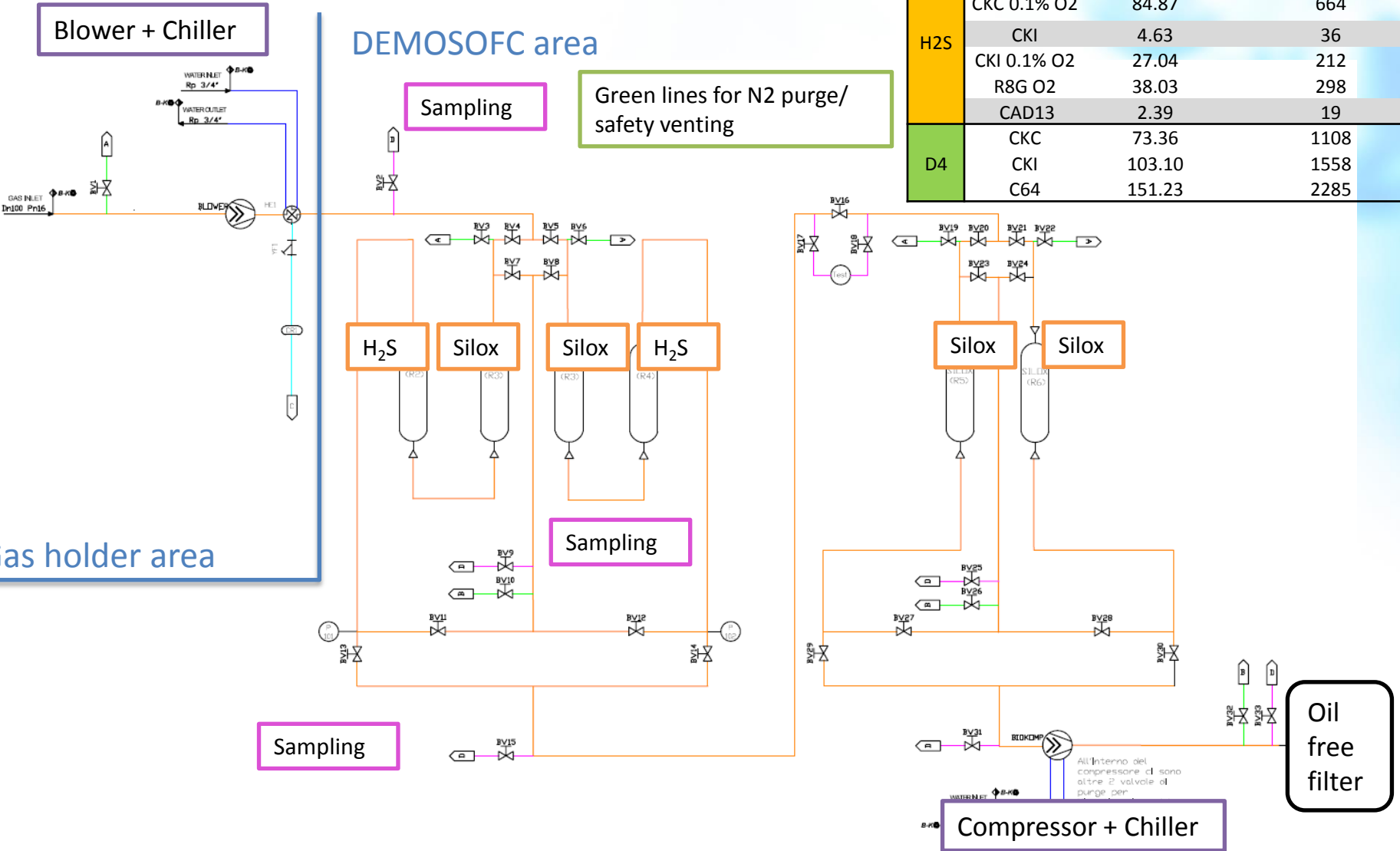
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Detailed engineering - Biogas clean-up module



	Adsorption capacity [mg/g]	Reactor breakthrough time [days]
H ₂ S	CKC	3.91
	CKC 0.1% O ₂	84.87
	CKI	4.63
	CKI 0.1% O ₂	27.04
	R8G O ₂	38.03
	CAD13	2.39
D4	CKC	73.36
	CKI	103.10
	C64	151.23

DEMOSOFC area



Blower + Chiller

Sampling

Green lines for N₂ purge/
safety venting

Sampling

Oil free filter

Compressor + Chiller

Gas holder area

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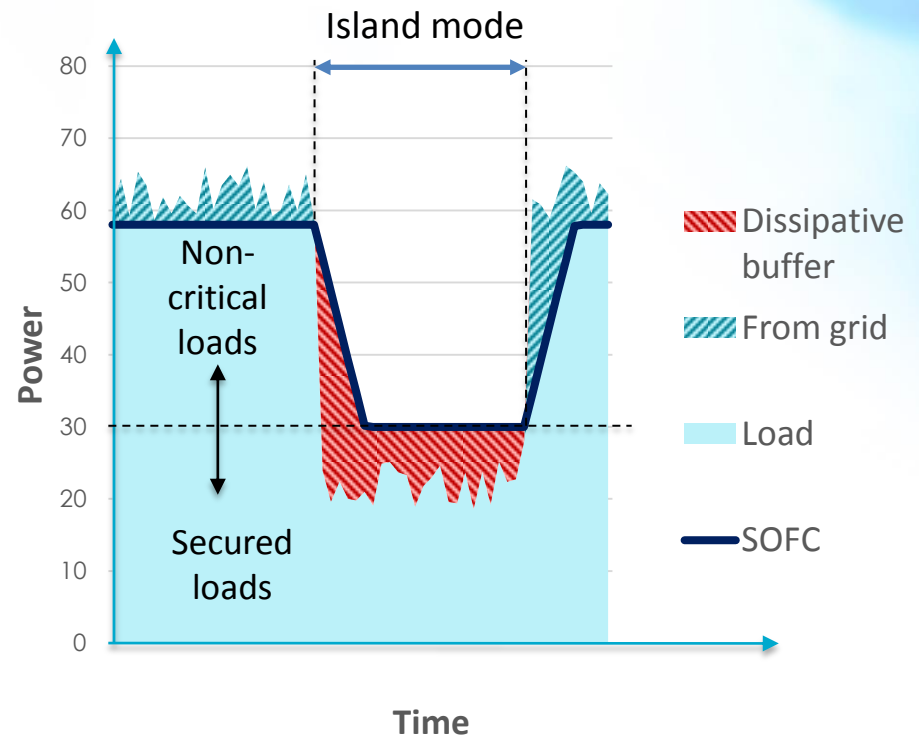
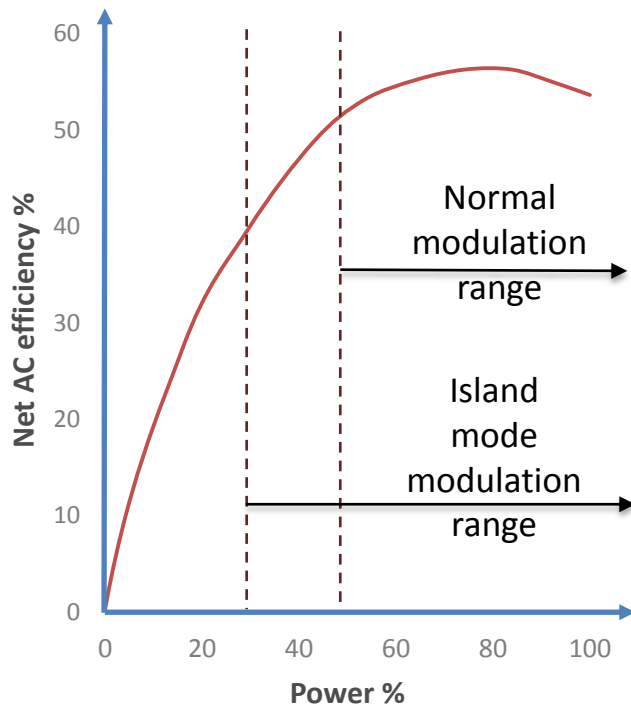
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Sampling

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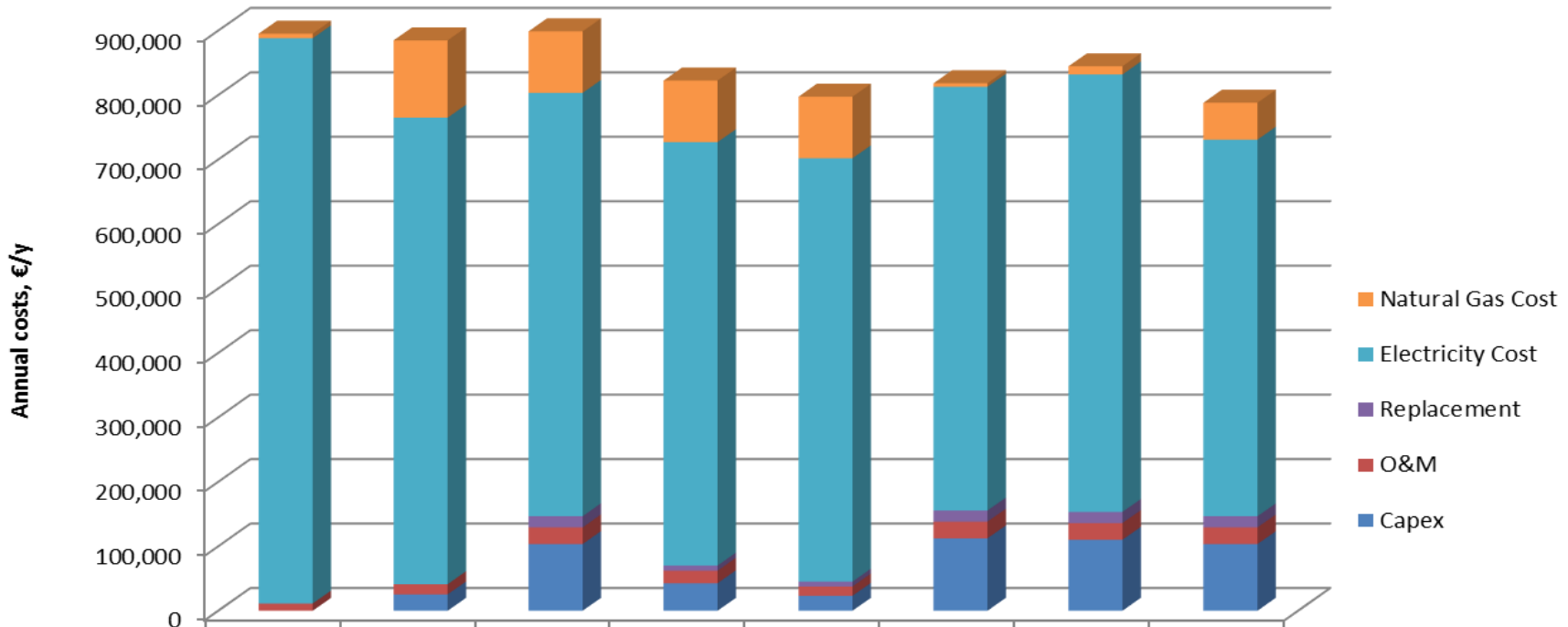
Detailed engineering - Operation

- In **grid-tied mode**, SOFC can be modulated from **100% to 50%** with little compromise in efficiency.
- In an event of power grid failure, SOFC system with built-in dissipative means can form an **islanding grid** and supply dynamic loads with power at a little sacrifice in electrical efficiency.



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Detailed engineering - First cost analysis



	A	B	C	C.s	C.t	D	E	F
Natural Gas Cost	7,216	119,977	95,477	95,477	95,477	5,419	12,736	57,272
Electricity Cost	876,824	723,769	656,865	656,865	656,865	657,446	678,618	584,303
Replacement	0	0	17,276	8,079	7,612	17,276	17,276	17,276
O&M	11,308	15,817	25,885	19,414	14,342	25,885	25,885	25,885
Capex	0	25,365	103,442	42,690	23,303	112,378	110,212	103,442

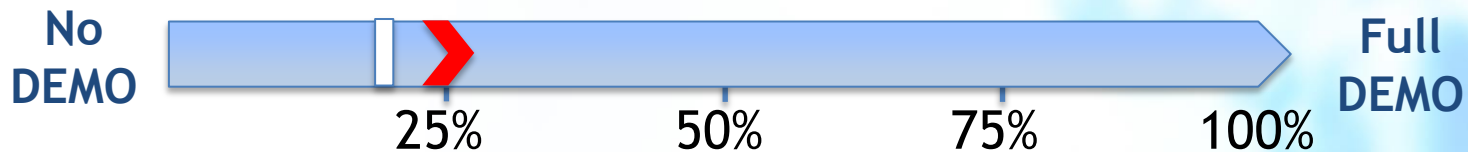
A: boiler - **B:** mGT - **C:** SOFC (C: current scenario, C.s: short term scenario, C.t: target scenario) - **D:** SOFC with centrifugal pre-thickening - **E:** SOFC with dynamic pre-thickening - **F:** SOFC (UK)

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Installation



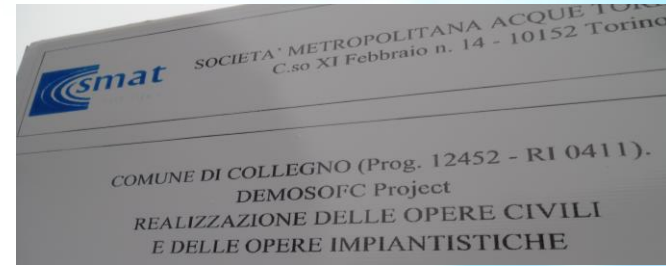
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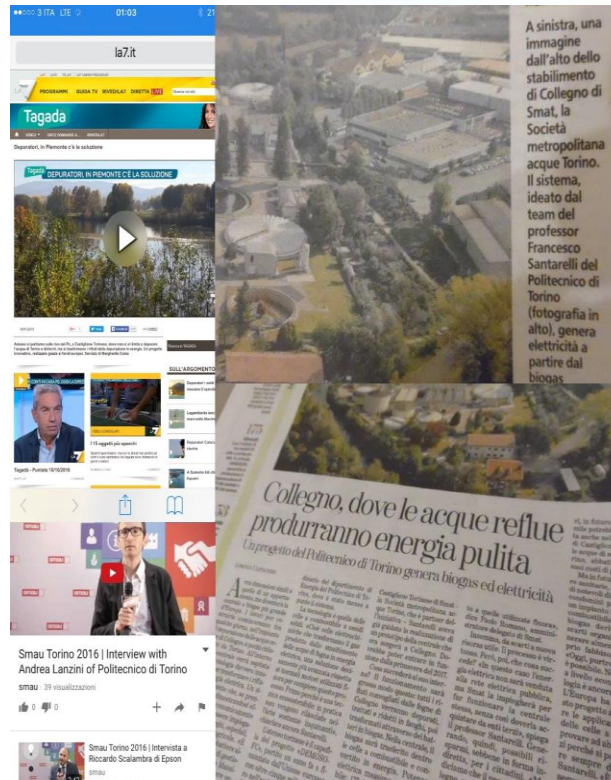
Installation



[DEMOSOFC](#) site preparation video

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Dissemination



Cross Workshop in Stuttgart (DE) on January 30th, 2017

Title: SUPERSoFc

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SYNERGIES WITH OTHER PROJECTS AND PROGRAMMES



Interactions with projects funded under EU programmes

<i>SOFCOM</i>	Deep analysis of biogas contaminant effects on SOFC anodes
<i>NELLHI</i>	SOFC stack development for mass manufacturing
<i>INNOSOFC</i>	SOFC system integration and market assessments
<i>HELTSTACK</i>	Scientific networking and SOFC stack development

Interactions with national and international-level projects and initiatives

<i>EOS Project</i>	Installation and operation of the CHP100 (Siemens Westinghouse, 100 kW _e + 60 kW _{th})
<i>NFCRC (Irvine, US) for Orange County Sanitation District</i>	National Fuel Cell Research Center (NFCRC) in the University of California, Irvine, CA (US): biogas-fed FC-based industrial plant (Orange County Sanitation District, CA, US):

DISSEMINATION ACTIVITIES

Public deliverables

- Deliverable D2.1 Energy planning of the DEMO: DONE at M3 (November 2015)
- Deliverable D2.2 Optimization of the DEMO: DONE at M4 (December 2015)
- Deliverable D2.3 Detailed engineering of the DEMO: DONE at M6 (February 2016)
- Deliverable D2.4 Cost/benefit analysis of the system: DONE at M6 (February 2016)
- Deliverable D7.1 Plan for the dissemination of the results: DONE at M3 (November 2015)

Conferences/Workshops

- 1 organised by the project
- 8 in which the project has participated (but not organised)

Social media



Publications: 5

- Papurello D., Lanzini A., Drago D., Leone P., Santarelli M., Limiting factors for planar solid oxide fuel cells under different trace compound concentrations, Energy, Vol. 95, pp. 67-78, 2016 ISSN: 03605442
- Giarola S., Forte O., Lanzini A., Gandiglio M., Santarelli M., Hawkes A., Techno-economic assessment of a wastewater treatment plant retrofited with a sub-MW SOFC CHP system (submitted)

Patents: 0

Thank You!

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