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Hydrogen-Aeolic Energy with Optimised eLectrolysers Upstream of Substation



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- Call year: 2017
- Call topic: FCH-02-4-2017 Highly flexible electrolysers balancing the energy output inside the fence of a wind park
- Project dates: January 1, 2018 December 31, 2023
- % stage of implementation 01/11/2019: 65 %
- Total project budget: 7,793,995.00 €
- FCH JU max. contribution: 4,997,738.63€
- Other financial contribution: 0€
- Partners: SINTEF, UBFC, Tecnalia, UniSannio, Varanger Kraft, KES, Hydrogenics







- Raggovidda wind park (45 MW built out of 200 MW)
  - Bottleneck to reach main grid
- Total potential is 2 GW (400 t/d of hydrogen)
- Low local consumption
  - Hydrogen as solution to export energy
- Location in Berlevåg Harbour
  - Still virtually "inside the fence" of wind park with dedicated power line
  - Access to road and sea for export









## **Project Summary**



Raggovidda – March 2018

- Main Objectives:
  - Objective 1: Enable high wind-power penetration
  - Objective 2: Demonstrate multiple use cases
  - Objective 3: Demonstrate 2.5MW PEM electrolysis technology
  - Objective 4: Demonstrate remote operation of wind-hydrogen plant
  - Objective 5: Disseminate new-found knowledge on wind-hydrogen systems
- Global positioning vs international state-of the art:
  - Green hydrogen production based on the largest electrolyser in the world integrated within a wind farm
  - Remotely controlled and monitored, due to the remoteness of the location and its difficult accessibility (especially in winter)
  - Potential for technology transfer to offshore wind
- Application and market area:
  - Hydrogen production for export





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- Efficiency targets already met by Hydrogenics' latest stack
  - 52 kWh/kg is the MAWP 2020 target
- Cost is also met and exceeded (according to preliminary reports)
  - Will be verified at next financial reporting period (mid-2022)
  - Project target was 3 M€/(t/d)
  - MAWP 2020 target is 2 M€/(t/d)









- Cold and hot start: optimization work will start next year along with operations
  - Project targets are MAWP 2020's
  - Next year: report on future developments of electrolysers
- Degradation will be verified during operation and compared with historical data series
  - Prognostic approach on system level (UBFC)
  - Ongoing study of historical data series provided by Hydrogenics
  - 1.5 %/year is MAWP 2020 target





- 3 operation cases being considered
  - Energy storage (and re-electrification)
  - Mini-grid (islanded operation or weak grid)
  - Fuel production
- Achieved:
  - Dynamic model and control algorithms for all cases
  - Durability algorithms infrastructure design
  - Remote access and control from Benevento (Italy) first activated in June 2021
- Remaining
  - Implement and demonstrate all control algorithms on real plant







- 7 public reports on various aspects of hydrogen-wind energy
  - Raggovidda energy analysis (hydrogen cost 4-5 €/kg) √
  - Valorisation plan for produced hydrogen
  - Techno-economic analysis for multiple sites
  - Impact of wind-hydrogen on energy systems & RCS
  - Business case for wind-hydrogen in Europe
  - Environmental performance analysis (expected 2022)
  - Roadmap to 2023 MAWP targets for electrolysers (expected 2022)





# Risks, Challenges and

Lessons Learned

Delays:

- Lost initial electrolyser supplier
  - Hydrogenics entered in April 2018
  - Lost 2018 construction season
- Problems in development of 2.5MW single stack
  - Reverted to double-stack solution
- Covid-19 & closed borders
  - Impact on Hydrogenics workshop

No accident during construction Project progressed through pandemic In-presence project meeting on site in January 2022















## **Exploitation Plan/Expected Impact**

#### **Exploitation**

Hydrogen production for local consumption

- Biogas upgrade in neighbouring Båtsfjord
- Development of hydrogen fishing boats
- Possible introduction of hydrogen fast passenger ferry between Vadsø and Kirkenes



#### **Impact**

European

- Berlevåg Industrial Park
- Green Ammonia production
  - 100 MW of electrolysers scale-up
- Decarbonisation of Svalbard Islands
  - Currently last holdout of coal in Norway
- Regional hydrogen strategy of Troms & Finnmark county council









## **Dissemination Activities**

- 2 Workshops organised by the project:
- Summer school "Microgrids" (1-5 July 2019, UBFC, France)
- Summer school "Control and optimization of renewable and green hydrogen energy systems" (30 June-1st July 2021, UniSannio & UBFC, online)

#### 15 conferences/workshops that the project has attended

#### 3 journal articles

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