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Haeolus

Hydrogen-Aeolic Energy with Optimised
eLectrolysers Upstream of Substation

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Project Overview

- Call year: 2017
- Call topic: 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 01/11/2023: 95%
- Total project budget: 7 779 761.25 €
- Clean Hydrogen Partnership max. contribution: 4 997 738.63 €
- Other financial contribution: 0 €
- Partners: SINTEF, UBFC, Tecnalia, UniSannio, Varanger Kraft, Cummins



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Project Summary

- Raggovidda wind park (45 MW built out of 200 MW)
 - Bottleneck to reach main grid
 - With grid extension, reached 97 MW
- 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



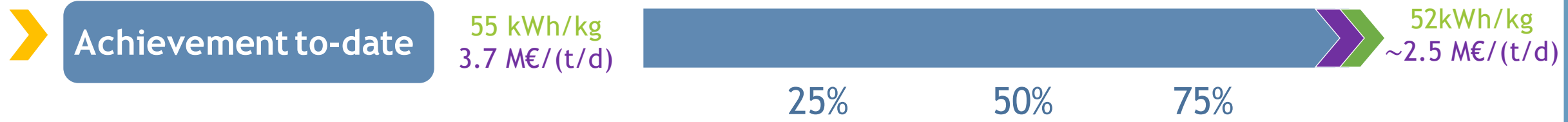
Raggovidda – March 2018

- **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 from largest wind-hydrogen plant in the world
 - Remotely controlled and monitored, due to difficult accessibility
 - Potential for technology transfer to offshore wind, solar
- **Application and market area:**
 - Hydrogen production for export or local industry



Raggersvolden Wind Farm

Project Progress/Actions - Electrolyser Efficiency & Cost



- **Efficiency** targets already met by Cummins' latest stack
 - 52 kWh/kg is the MAWP 2020 target
- **Cost** is also met and exceeded (verified by financial reports)
 - Cost includes stacks, BoP, installation & personnel
 - Project target was 3 M€/ (t/d)
 - MAWP 2020 target is 2 M€/ (t/d)



Project Progress/Actions - Electrolyser Performance



Achievement to-date

20 min/30s
2 %/year



25%

50%

75%

½ min / 2 s
1.5 %/year

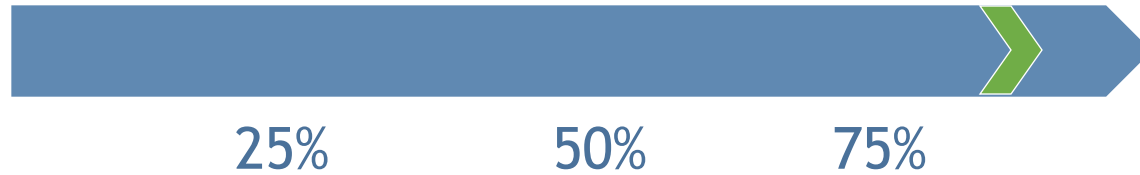
- **Cold and hot start:** target would require modifications to balance of plant
 - Project targets are MAWP 2020's
- **Degradation** difficult to verify due to limited demonstration time
 - Prognostic approach on system level (UBFC)
 - Study of historical data series provided by Cummins
 - 1.5 %/year is MAWP 2020 target

Project Progress/Actions - Control & Monitoring System



Achievement to-date

0



3 control cases
Real time
monitoring

- 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
 - Dynamic simulation of controlled systems

Project Progress/Actions - Wind-hydrogen integration



Achievement to-date

0



7 main reports

25%

50%

75%

- 7 public reports on various aspects of hydrogen-wind energy (available on website)
 - 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 ✓
 - Roadmap to 2023 MAWP targets for electrolysers ✓

Risks, Challenges and Lessons Learned

Delays:

- Lost initial electrolyser supplier
- Problems in development of 2.5MW single stack
- Covid-19 & closed borders
- Post-covid supply chain issues & order backlog

Partner KES went bankrupt

- Software passed to SINTEF as open source

Safety:

- No accident during construction
- One event during commissioning (external leak)
- One false alarm during operation (midnight sun)



Exploitation Plan/Expected Impact

Exploitation



- Varanger Kraft is building refilling station by 2024
- Customers: Biogas plant in Båtsfjord, power supply of telcos, armed forces and lighthouses, waste management, styrofoam factory in Tana
 - Longer perspective: hydrogen fishing boats, Vadsø-Kirkenes passenger ferry, trucks
 - "Zero-emission fish" value chain
 - Strategic cooperation with hydrogen companies
 - Large-scale focus on green ammonia

Impact



- Berlevåg Industrial Park
- Green Ammonia production
 - 100 MW of electrolysers scale-up
- Green Ammonia Berlevåg (GAB) company established
- Cooperation with Wärtsilä, Grieg Edge for ammonia-driven ship
- Regional hydrogen strategy of Troms & Finnmark county council

Dissemination Activities

- 7 journal articles (4 UniSannio, 2 UBFC, 1 SINTEF)
- 31 contributions to conferences and workshops
- 3 seminars for MSc/PhD students
- 1 workshop at ECC19 conference (Naples)
- 1 student internship on-site (MSc thesis)
- 1 on-site visit event
- 16 public reports
- *Upcoming:* booth at industrial fair
Off-Grid Expo, 7-8 December 2023
Messe Augsburg, Germany





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