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& Sustainable
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SHERPA

1. INTRODUCTION

SHERPA is a European R&I project that aims to develop and validate innovative technologies that enable hydropower plants to operate below their original design limits while meeting ecological flow requirements and improving environmental conditions.

3. RESULTS

The solutions developed in SHERPA will demonstrate significant technical and environmental improvements.

HYDRAULIC PERFORMANCE

- Optimised runner geometries to reduce cavitation and pressure pulsations.
- Improved efficiency at part-load and low-flow conditions.
- Extended operating range.

ADDITIVE MANUFACTURING

- Additively manufactured metallic patches and coatings.
- Enhanced resistance to wear, corrosion and cavitation.
- Tailored solutions for refurbishment of existing components.

MONITORING AND DIGITAL TWINS

- Integration of sensor data and physical models.
- Development of a Fatigue and Residual Useful Life Calculator.
- Support for predictive maintenance and more flexible operation.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

- Assessment and mitigation of environmental impacts under different operating conditions.
- Tools to support oxygen management and ecosystem protection.
- Evaluation of wider ecosystem services and societal benefits.

2. EXPERIMENTAL PROCEDURE

SHERPA is combining numerical design, advanced manufacturing, experimental testing and validation in pilot plants to develop and assess refurbishment solutions.

Design and modelling

Manufacturing and preparation

Laboratory testing

Pilot plant validation

Numerical simulations (CFD)

Additive manufacturing of metallic patches and protective coatings.

Characterisation of performance and resistance to wear, corrosion and cavitation.

Implementation and monitoring in representative hydropower plants.

4. CONCLUSIONS

- SHERPA project will help increase the operating range, performance and reliability of existing hydropower plants.
- Additive manufacturing and new hydraulic designs will improve efficiency and extend equipment lifetime.
- Advanced monitoring and digital tools will support more flexible and data-driven operation.
- The proposed solutions will help reduce environmental impacts and enhance ecosystem services.
- Validation in pilot plants provide evidence for the large-scale replication of SHERPA.

5. REFERENCES

SHERPA Consortium (2024). SHERPA Grant Agreement, Grant No. 101072849
SHERPA Project Website: <https://sherpahydro.eu/>



SHERPA

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Integrated Optimization Approach for Floating Wind Turbine Substructure

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Scope and Objective

Motivated by the need for innovative technologies to extend lifetime and improve sustainability of floating wind turbine substructure, a new geopolymer concrete as well as an advanced modelling, simulation and design tool were developed to support supply chain activities. The main objectives are:

- To develop a new lightweight concrete, combining a geopolymer binder and circular lightweight aggregates (CLWA) to achieve enhanced properties of strength, permeability, durability, and corrosion resistance with reduced cost & CO2 footprint.
- To develop high-fidelity finite element model to predict mechanical response and track damage state evolution in geopolymer-concrete composite in representative sea conditions.

Methodology

Computational Fluid Dynamic and Fluid Structure Interaction
Loads and distribution of forces in loading conditions for optimization of concrete composition and reinforcement

Circular design, formulation, and manufacturing of geopolymer concrete
Heat recycled by producing waste heat used to energy recuperation

Multi-scale characterization of reinforced components and reinforcement
The optimization of aggregate, binder composition, aggregate aspect ratio, and reinforcement

Multi-targets optimization of concrete mixes and prediction of properties
Machine Learning & Multi-scale ML algorithms to predict the mechanical properties of concrete

Multi-scale FE simulations to optimize design and avoid structural integrity of VV substructure
Reduced-scale models

Finite Element Models coupled with Fluid Interaction Model and Concrete Model

Results & Way Forward

- Manufacturing process of circular lightweight aggregate with CO₂-negative shell and enhanced properties is established
- Development of carbon fiber binder in progress
- Structural FE model including influence of reinforcement bars and post-tensioning systems is established
- Prediction of stresses to avoid failure and evaluate fatigue lifetime
- Representative Volume Element Model to investigate concrete-shell interaction in complex environment (decoration & damage)
- Detailed hydrodynamic model was established to determine both hydrodynamic force magnitude and attachment point tensions for multiple interconnected components
- Coupling hydrodynamic model and finite element model to predict the impacts of sea state on deformation and damage

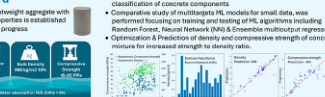
Hierarchical database of concrete was established based on tree-like classification of concrete components

Comparative study of multi-targets ML models for small data was performed basing on training and testing of ML algorithms including Random Forest, Neural Network (NN) & Ensemble multistep regressor

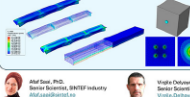
Optimization & Prediction of density and compressive strength of concrete mixture for increased strength to density ratio



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INDUCE



In support of SET Plan
IWG-Industry

1. INTRODUCTION:

INDUCE is a European CSA project supporting the SET Plan Implementation Working Group on Sustainable and Efficient Energy Use in Industry (IWG-Industry) in advancing a competitive, energy-efficient and climate-neutral European industry, continuing the Secretariat support established under SET-IndEU.

2. APPROACH:

INDUCE provides dedicated Secretariat support to the SET Plan IWG-Industry, building on the experience and networks developed through its predecessor, SET-IndEU. The IWG-Industry at a glance:



3. RESULTS:

INDUCE supports the completion and monitoring of the Common Implementation and Investment Plan (CIIP), facilitates strategic dialogue between the European Commission, SET Plan countries, industry and research stakeholders, and strengthens cooperation with other SET Plan initiatives and beyond.

Through regular coordination meetings, annual events, thematic workshops and targeted outreach, the project helps align R&I priorities, identify shared barriers and connect promising solutions with opportunities for deployment and investment.

3. CONCLUSIONS:

- INDUCE will provide Secretariat support to the SET Plan IWG-Industry, facilitating cooperation between SET Plan countries, EU institutions, industry and research organisations.
- INDUCE will support the development of the SET Plan IWG-Industry CIIP, aligning industrial research priorities with EU and national policies.
- Mapping and monitoring R&I activities across industrial sectors will help identify technological gaps, barriers to innovation uptake and funding needs.

REFERENCES:

INDUCE Consortium; INDUCE Grant Agreement, Grant No. 10136845; INDUCE Project website: <https://induceproject.eu>



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From Data to Savings: Energy Efficiency powered by GridBeats EES

Making every kWh visible, then turning monitored assets into measured savings is what it makes it profitable.

"The cleanest energy is the one you don't consume."

Waste Heat
Heat recovery from waste heat is the most efficient way to reduce energy costs. Each one step to efficient plants.

From field to cloud
GridBeats EES is a cloud-based platform that connects industrial assets to a central data hub, enabling real-time monitoring and optimization of energy efficiency.

What this platform covers
GridBeats EES covers a wide range of industrial processes, including chemical, petrochemical, and pharmaceutical, providing a comprehensive view of energy efficiency across the entire value chain.

"You can't improve what you can't measure"

Real, measured savings
GridBeats EES provides a clear view of energy efficiency, enabling users to identify areas for improvement and implement targeted measures to reduce energy consumption and costs.



Best Energy Efficiency Solution Deployment - A whole-site programme, funded through subsidy

Projects Successfully Executed
• Reduction of CO₂ emissions
• VME implementation for a major plant
• Changing from E2 to E4 compressor
• Predictive system for detection



Mean time to repair (MTTR) reduced by 50 minutes across all facility

5X Cost to Customer

CO₂ Reduction energy by 5% annually

100 tons of CO₂ avoided per year

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Valorization process for its reincorporation into the production cycle.



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PRODUCTION OF THE FIRST BATCH OF GREEN ALUMINIUM WORLDWIDE USING HYDROGEN (H₂) ON AN INDUSTRIAL SCALE

EXPERIMENTAL PROCESS

1. Testings of a secondary aluminium plant (recycling)
2. to melt aluminium scrap using regenerative burners
3. fueled by green H₂ (to replace gas)
4. during 3 weeks.

RESULTS

- Three weeks of production batches achieved.
- No safety issue.
- Similar levels of production, emissions and quality.

TECHNOLOGY

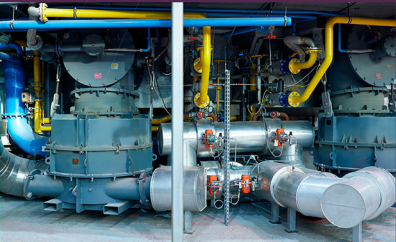
The North American TwinBed® II is made up of an ultra-low NO_x burner and a regenerative bed. Together, they recover waste heat from furnace exhaust gases to preheat the combustion air.

REFERENCES

Hydro Extrusion plant in Navarra, Spain

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Industry can do it



Industry can do it

Production of the first batch of green aluminium worldwide using hydrogen (h2) on an industrial scale

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BRENNMILLER EUROPE
THERMAL ENERGY STORAGE

FLEXIBLE, DECARBONIZED INDUSTRIAL HEAT

bGen™ Thermal Energy Storage | Power-to-Heat for steam, hot air and thermal oil



1. INTRODUCTION

Industrial heat remains strongly dependent on fossil fuels. Brennmiller Europe's bGen™ stores electricity as high-temperature heat in natural **crushed rock** and supplies process heat on demand. This decouples industrial heat supply from electricity price and availability, enabling renewable or off-peak power to replace natural gas.

97% efficiency **30+ years lifetime** **No degradation** **7-1,000 MWh modular**

2. bGen™ TECHNOLOGY & PRODUCTS

bGen™ ZERO
Small and medium capacities (up to ~100 MWh)

bGen™ ONE
Medium and large capacities (up to ~1,000 MWh)

- Customized bCube-based design
- Steam, hot air & thermal oil
- Modular, factory-built design
- 20-ft ISO container modules
- Reduced on-site construction

bCube modular building block
Each bGen™ system consists of multiple bCubes, each containing multiple bCells.

3. HOW IT WORKS – POWER-TO-HEAT

ELECTRICITY / GRID SERVICES
Store P2H on peak-grid / Renewable P2H, and meet baseload energy / Capacity Market

CHARGE
Embedded electric heaters

STORE
Crushed rock thermal storage 400°C

DISCHARGE
Steam up to 300 °C / 100 bar
Hot air / Thermal oil

4. COMMERCIAL PROJECTS & RESULTS

bGen™ is commercially deployed across multiple industries in Europe, USA, Brazil and Israel.

TRL 9 >70 MWh_{th} commercial capacity in operation

FORTLEV | Brazil
Plastics factory
4 MWh_{th} Hot air COD 2021

NYPA | USA
University
1 MWh_{th} Hybrid heat + Power-to-Heat COD 2023

ENEL | Italy
Combined-cycle power plant
24 MWh_{th} Steam-to-steam energy shifting COD 2025

HEINEKEN-Tempo Beverage
Beverage factory
32 MWh_{th} Grid + PV → steam COD Oct 2026

Other references

- Woolfson Hospital – 12 MWh_{th}, TES
- PPF Partner in Pet Food – 30 MWh_{th}, TES
- SolWorly Cadiz, e-Methanol – 56 MWh_{th}, TES

5. HEINEKEN-Tempo Beverage

Beverage factory, bGen™ TES supplies 100% of baseload and peak steam demand under a 12-year Heat-as-a-Service (HaaS) agreement.

32 MWh_{th} TES capacity 5.6 MWe charging from-grid PV 14 t/h at 7 bara steam ~6,200 tCO₂/year avoided

HEINEKEN **Tempo**

6. KEY ADVANTAGES

- Decarbonizes industrial heat
Zero-direct CO₂ emissions at the point of use
- Much smaller footprint
Than other thermal energy storage technologies
- Simple O&M
No moving equipment | Very low maintenance
- Flexible and cost-effective
Uses renewable, off-peak power and grid services
- Suitable for multiple industries
Steam, hot air and thermal oil applications

7. FUNDING & INCENTIVES (2026/2027)

EU #26 Heat Auction EU #26 SME Call CAES 2026-2027

Up to ~240 €/MWh_{th} operating support Up to ~60% of relevant costs Additional revenue self-refueling savings

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Technical power prepared for commercial use. Product and project data reflect Brennmiller Europe materials.

1-meter bGen™ Technology video

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HYDROGEN SOLUTION

Desarrollamos, fabricamos y operamos con nuestros recursos.

Instalamos en tu empresa para **realizar pruebas en condiciones reales**

Integramos la **seguridad** desde el diseño hasta la operación, incorporando medidas específicas para el **manejo de hidrógeno**

Proporcionamos **datos reales** para que puedas **evaluar el impacto** y definir tu estrategia energética.





Hydrogen solution



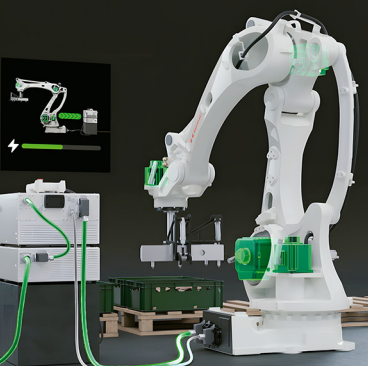
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Hasta **40 %** de ahorro de energía

Desacelerar genera energía eléctrica continua que hay que gestionar. Tradicionalmente esa energía se usaba en una sola energía generada. Se optó por el camino más sencillo, perderla en forma de calor.

Ahora KAWASAKI ROBOTICS plantea una solución innovadora. Sus nuevos controladores serie P generan energía eléctrica para la planta sin desperdiciarla.

El robot de paletizado KAWASAKI ROBOTICS CPT10L, ya capaz de mover 2.000 kg de 60 Kg/hora. En solo 15-20 segundos por hora generando energía para la planta sin emisiones de CO₂. Un robot KAWASAKI puede estar en operación 20 años. Menos de 1kg de CO₂ por emisión y kWh alterado.



Larraioz
ELECTRONIKA

Los desveladores generan energía. Las resistencias de frenado convierten la energía en calor y emiten ondas de radio. Es pérdida de energía si no se captura. Es energía extra para enfriar el ambiente.

Controlador de CC a CA. Generación de energía extra.

Funcionalidad compatible con 50 modelos de KAWASAKI ROBOTICS desde 10 kg a 700 kg de carga.

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Flexible, Decarbonized Industrial Heat



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