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**Optical Characterization of Collectors** 

# **Solar Collector Solutions for Various Applications**

### Technology vs. Temperature





# **Concentrating Collectors and Optics** Measuring equipment and techniques



## Macroskopic Shape Assessment







## **Deflectometry** Primary Reflector Assessment













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## **Deflectometry** Primary Reflector Assessment

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# In-Situ Qualification and System Performance:

Parameter Identification

Performance validation on-site of systems under normal operation Collector and system certification Acceptance testing of sub-systems or complete solar field

No interference with regular operation

Statistical assessment of test results





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of evaluation

# In-Situ Qualification and Precise Positioning:







# **Concentrating Collectors and Optics** Measuring equipment and techniques





Laboratory Material and Dust Analysis Measuring equipment and techniques





## **Laboratory Material Analysis**







Aluminum sheets







#### Polymer film





Durability: Environmental Impacts



#### **Outdoor Exposure**





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Lab assessment, portable reflectometer, on-site monitoring, circum solar ratio camera





Portable reflectometer and on-site monitoring



Assessing soiling rates and reflectance in the field:

Measurement of cleanliness with handheld mobile device in the field

- pFLEX handheld reflectometer
  - flexible and quick measurement with mobile phone integration

Automatic independent site monitoring

- > AVUS autonomous soiling assessment
  - ✓ AVUS monitors long-term cleanliness/ soiling rates with little maintenance
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## **Introduction** Monitoring of Soiling: In Power Plants

### Monitoring of the power plant and O&M optimization

Dust storm on May 23, 2022



# **Soiling Assessment for CSP**

### Recommendations for reflectance measurements on soiled mirrors

#### **Optical Properties Working Group:**

First draft version of guideline for

Recommendations for reflectance measurements on soiled mirrors

- Relevant effects of soiling on CSP
- Introduction and overview on measurement devices and procedures

Interpretation of measurement data for the application or comparison

https://www.solarpaces.org/optical-properties-working-group/





# **Interpreting Field Measurements**

Acceptance Angle

### Acceptance angle of the device

- D&S 15R-USB 3.5, 7.5, 12.5, 23.0 mrad
- pFlex 67 mrad
- Condor 145 mrad

### Acceptance angle of the application

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# **MOTIVATION FOR OPTICAL MEASUREMENTS / APPLICATIONS**

Transfer functions between different reflectometers



Results from the reflectometer round robin test in SFERA-III WP10

Measured reflectance depends on acceptance angle, incidence angle, wavelength of the reflectometer



**Introduction** Soiling Measurement: Mobile Reflectometer





## Introduction Monitoring of Soiling : In remote areas

#### Data acquisition for forecast and site assessment

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AVUS – Remote Site Monitoring Measurement of Soiling in CSP 

# **Functional principle of the AVUSpro measurement system**

Automated measurements of soiling with low maintenance







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#### **Functional principle**

- Take a reference measurement
- Rotate the exposition arm to measurement position
- Aritize with electromagnet
- Measure the exposed specimen
- Move the arm to exposition position
- Autonomous measurement e.g. every hour





AVUSPro: on-site monitoring





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## **ColSim CSP** Dynamic system simulation

Modeling of individual Collector Modules and Loops in large-scale Parabolic Trough solar fields

Local DNI and soiling maps based on measurements





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## **Development and Evaluation of** Water Wise Technologies

- Development of optimized mirror cleaning
- Improved cooling of steam cycle
- Improved operating strategy
- Development of water management plans for CSP plants
- Development of collectors combined with agricultural land use





Top: cleaning truck © ECILIMP Bottom: Deluge ACC © ENEXIO





# **O&M Optimization**

#### Advanced Cleaning Strategies



#### Fixed interval (Ref.)

 Cleaning is conducted in a fixed interval, e.g. 1 per week



#### **Cleaning threshold – Fixed**

• Loops with cleanliness below fixed threshold are prioritized



#### **Cleaning threshold – Variable**

• Loops are with cleanliness below variable threshold are prioritized



# **O&M Optimization**

Advanced Cleaning Strategies





## **O&M Optimization**

Advanced Cleaning Strategies





## **Assessment of Soiling**

Further Approaches

#### **Camera Based Approaches**



#### **Particle Counting + Modell**



#### **Novel Approach: Terrestrial Laser Scanning Method**



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**Camera Based Measurement Techniques** 

**Computer Vision Applications in CSP** 

# **Heliostat Calibration & Closed Loop Control**



HelioControl- Closed Loop Heliostat Control



# Improved Heliostat Calibration and Control through Computer Vision



**Fast Aim Point Detection During Commissioning & Operation** 



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#### **Instruments for field measurements**

HelioControl – Calibration & Closed Loop

## Technical specifications HelioControl – Plug In:



- *Smart:* Parallel calibration of heliostat's by identification of their aimpoints on focus at the receiver
- Fast: Measurement of up to 2 aim points / s in operation
- *Simple:* Plug-In System for minimal field control interference
- *Demo:* Tested in lab and experimentally in Themis plant
- *Next Step:* Demonstration in commercial scale

#### **Quick Heliostat Field Commissioning & Improved Aim Point Control**



#### Instruments for field measurements

HelioControl – Calibration & Closed Loop

#### Approaching Heliostat Calibration Techniques



#### **Quick Heliostat Field Commissioning & Improved Aim Point Control**

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## **Receiver Material Evaluation**

Example: Receiver Coating Evaluation





- Spatially varying bidirectional reflectance mapping
- Determination of directional absorptance
- Assessment of durability and quality of receiver

coating





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- Measurement of reflection properties on the hemisphere in the lab
- Samples: Soiled mirrors, Receiver coatings, refactory materials, etc...
- Duration of one measurement:
  Several hours

















































































Conversion of measurement data to BRDF values

- Derivation of the BRDF from measured current to calculate the different reflectance factors (directional-conical, directional-hemispherical, biconical, ...):
  - Normalization with beam intensity
  - Division by  $\cos \theta_r$

Definition BRDF:  $f_{\Gamma} = \frac{dL_r}{dE_i}$  [sr<sup>-1</sup>] Reflected Radiance / Incident Irradiance

- Perfect Lambertian Reflector:  $f_{\Gamma} = \frac{1}{\pi} \operatorname{sr}^{-1} \approx 0.32 \operatorname{sr}^{-1}$
- cBRDF (without division by cos) seems to be more intuitive for mirrors






















## **Instruments for field measurements**

Remote Receiver Quality Assessment



## Validated Far Field SVBRDF with uncalibrated lightsource



- Camera based remote measurement from solar field
- Spatially varying bidirectional reflectance mapping
- Determination of directional absorptance
- Assessment of status and quality of receiver coating

When is the best time to recoat? Was there a damaging event?





- Light source + heliostat: Unknown and inhomogeneous intensity distribution
- Acquisition of two image sequences with movement of the light distribution over absorber
- Calculation of the relative reflectance of the absorber from the image sequences





- Lines of constant intensity in the direction of motion
- Analysis of the intensity maxima of the individual pixels
- Overdetermined system of equations in the overlapping area
- Numerical minimization







Images of the horizontal sequence (600 single images)



image 240



image 290





image 340



- Transformation of camera images into vertical perspective with markers







- Analysis of intensity maxima of horizontal and vertical image sequence





#### Result of the evaluation





Measurement data

Relative reflectance of the surface (for one position of light source and camera)



Measuring a 'full' SVBRDF...





Comparison with the goniometer measurement

Incidence angle  $\theta_i = 0^\circ$ 





Comparison with the goniometer measurement

Incidence angle  $\theta_i = -28^\circ$ 





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#### **Remote SVBRDF Measurement**

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## **Fast and dense soiling assessment and shape assessment** 3D scanning or terrestrial laser scanning (TLS)





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Coating Technology and Systems Mirror and absorber coatings for CSP plants

## **Functional Coatings for CSP plants**

#### Our portfolio

#### Functional coatings based on PVD or CVD deposition

- High temperature stable absorber coatings for air or vacuum receivers
- High reflective mirror coatings for primary mirrors
- High reflective and high temperature stable mirror coatings for secondary mirrors



## From lab-scale to production



## **Functional Coatings for CSP plants**

some reference developments

# Functional coatings based on PVD or CVD deposition

- Absorber coating for vaccum receiver pipe developed for SCHOTT Solar
- High temperature stable secondary mirror and air-stable absorber developed and produced for demonstrator plant in Spain
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#### From lab-scale to production



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## **Functional Coatings for CSP plants Our portfolio**

Available equimpment and services

- Wide range of sputter deposition machines, up to the industrial prototype machine (substrate size 1.5x4 m<sup>2</sup>, also for tubes and curved substrates)
- Heat treatment facilities (vacuum, air, gases)
- Accelerated aging testing
- Characterization tools (Fourier spectrometer, SEM, EDX, AFM)





## Wide range of depostion, test and characterisation equipment



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## Laser Scanning for Optical Assessment of Heliostat Fields

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- 4 Heliostat canting correction
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Chapter 1

## Introduction



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## Introduction

Terrestrial laser scanning (TLS)

- Fast and non-contact measurement for acquiring 3D point clouds based on laser range determination
- Measuring method

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- 1. Distance: Laser beam time-of-flight and phase-shift
- 2. Vertical angle: Mirror turning through 300° in vertical direction
- 3. Horizontal angle: Scanner turns horizontally through 360°



Integrated camera for RGB values (colorization of the point cloud)

Figure adapted from: Vahid, Salehi & Wang, Shirui. (2017). Using point cloud technology for process simulation in the context of digital factory based on a systems engineering integrated approach.





#### **Introduction** Terrestrial laser scanning (TLS) for cleanliness assessment

- The product of TLS measurements is a three-dimensional (XYZ) point cloud acquired with high-density and high-accuracy
- TLS also receives the backscatter power of the laser beam from the observed object (TLS Intensity)











Chapter 2

# Reflector cleanliness assessment



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## Cleanliness

Ratio of specular reflectance of a soiled mirror ( $\rho_{soil,s}$ ) and the specular reflectance of a clean reference mirror ( $\rho_s$ ):

$$C_{\rm s} = \frac{\rho_{\rm soil,s}(\lambda,\varphi,\theta)}{\rho_{\rm s}(\lambda,\varphi,\theta)}$$

where  $\lambda$  is the wavelength of the light source,  $\varphi$  is the acceptance angle and  $\theta$  is the incidence angle.

# → Backscatter measurement ("TLS intensity") of the scanner must be related with the specular reflectance





#### From "TLS intensity" to power

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- 1. How is "TLS intensity" related with backscattered power  $(\Phi_b)$ ?
- Modelling the avalanche photodiode and the logarithmic amplifier with calibration data of 3 Lambertian samples.



## External influencing factors correction

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- > Normalization of scans with fully characterized fixed **reference samples**



Sample coated with Pyromark 2500



Promat Duratec-1000 sample





## Influence of distance and incident angle

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- Normalization of scans with fully characterized fixed **reference samples**
- Which influence have the **distance** and the **incident angle** in the measurements? 3.
- Calibration of distance and incident angle influence on the backscattered power  $\geq$



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Measurement methodology for distance and incidence angle dependency

$$\Phi_{\mathrm{b},d_{\mathrm{ref}},\theta_{\mathrm{ref}}}(d,\theta) = \Phi_{\mathrm{b}} \; \frac{f(d_{\mathrm{ref}})g(\theta_{\mathrm{ref}})}{f(d)g(\theta)} \; \eta_{\mathrm{ext}}$$

Measurement in artificially soiled mirrors for modelling backscatter behavior of:

- Incident angle with constant distance: f(d)
- Distance with constant incident angle:  $g(\theta)$





Results for backscatter power distance dependency



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Results for backscatter power distance dependency



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Results for backscatter power incidence angle dependency





Results for backscatter power incidence angle dependency

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### Validation of the measurement principle IMDEA energy solar field







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### pFlex reflectometer cleanliness measurements





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### **IMDEA** energy solar field scan







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### **Resulting corrected powers over cleanliness**



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### Conclusions

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  - Development of an accurate model of the bidirectional reflectance distribution function (BRDF) of soiled mirrors with photogoniometer measurements
    - Better understanding of the incident angle influence in the backscatter
    - Analytical model of backscatter and specular reflectance





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- Validation showed **high uncertainty** of cleanliness
  - Assessment and reduction of the uncertainty of the measurement will be performed
- Terrestrial scanner offers a very fast and spatially resolved solution for cleanliness assessment
- Measurement principle has been **successfully validated** in the field



### Outlook

### Surface shape assessment fitting a **paraboloid or a sphere**



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Chapter 3

# Reflector surface shape determination





## **Motivation**

Laser scanning at the parabola of PROMES-CNRS?

- The challenge: Largest parabola in the world (40 m x 54 m) with a highly reflecting surface
- Original construction plans not available, exact condition after last mirror refurbishment is unknown
- Photogrammetry / Deflectometry for shape assessment is very time consuming
- $\rightarrow$  Laser scanning is a fast and simple method
- But: application of a diffuse coating to the front side is not feasible

Can we find a successful way to apply the 'naturallysoiled-mirror-scanning' method on this extreme case of a solar reflector for shape assessment?









### **Setup / Measurements** Scanning from the ground – Details



• Soiled mirrors: Signal from surface, edges and screws



• Clean mirrors: Signal mostly from edges and screws



# **Setup / Measurements** Scanning from the ground – Top view









### **Setup / Measurements** Scanning from the ground – Side view





### **Data Processing**

How can we extract usable information from the point cloud?

- Point filtering methods?
- Point cloud surface fitting methods?









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## **Data Processing – Filtering**

- 3D Information (xyz)
- VIS Information (RGB)
- IR backscatter intensity















#### **Data Processing – Filtering** 3D Information (xyz) VIS Information (RGB) IR backscatter intensity 40 $\rightarrow$ VIS brightness (from RGB) $\rightarrow$ VIS 'colorfulness' 30 (from RGB) z/m 20 10 0 -25 -30 -20-20-15-10-10-54/m 0 xIm 0 10 5 20 10

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### **Data Processing – Filtering**



• No point cloud filtering: 55M points



• After filtering: 35M points

## **Data Processing – Fitting Procedure**

- Fit of the point cloud with ideal paraboloid
- Fit parameters:
  - 3 coordinates (translation scanner position paraboloid vertex)
  - 2 angles (3<sup>rd</sup> rotation is undefined due to rotational symmetry)
  - Focal length of paraboloid
- Adaptive spatial filtering during fit to remove points far from the ideal surface



• After filtering: 35M points

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# **Data Processing – Fitting Procedure** Adaptive point filtering during fit: fit residual weighting



# **Data Processing – Fit Result**



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# **Data Processing – Fit Result**
















# **Data Processing – Fit Residuals** Deviations from ideal shape

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# **Data Processing – Fit Residuals** Deviations from ideal shape

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ideal paraboloid

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# **Data Processing – Fit Residuals** Deviations from ideal shape











#### **Fit Results**

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- Systematic deviation of the structure from ideal paraboloid shape
- Mean absolute error: 61 mm (median absolute error: 42 mm)
- Focal length of fitted paraboloid: 18.00095 ± 0.00010 m
- Statistical uncertainty on scanner position in paraboloid coordinate system: less than 50 µm
- Statistical uncertainty on the focal direction of the Parabola: less than 2 µrad
- Slight canting bias of each gallery discovered, possibly to adjust focal point location
   → upshift of the focal point of around 25-35 cm compared to the ideal focal direction

ightarrow Can we determine the direction of each facet?











#### Heliostat canting error correction 140 14

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#### Introduction

Motivation – laser scanning in heliostat canting

 Canting errors: Heliostat facets are misaligned, resulting in their failure to accurately focus sunlight onto the same point.







#### **Introduction** Motivation – laser scanning in heliostat canting

- Canting errors: Heliostat facets are misaligned, resulting in their failure to accurately focus sunlight onto the same point.
- Impact:
  - Identified as one of the key issues in central receiver power plants [2].
  - Current industry challenge: Lack of specialized field tools for precise and efficient measurement and correction of canting errors.

→ Research gap: Development of advanced tools capable of accurately and efficiently measuring heliostat canting



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#### Introduction THEMIS solar facility





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#### Introduction THEMIS solar facility: selected heliostat











1. Approximate coordinate transformation to heliostat plane



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- 1. Approximate coordinate transformation to heliostat plane
- 2. Filter around center of mass



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- Approximate coordinate transformation to heliostat plane 1.
- Filter around center of mass 2.
- Remove points with low VIS brightness (from RGB) 3.
- Fit plane 4.



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1. Approximate coordinate transformation to heliostat plane

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- 2. Filter around center of mass
- 3. Remove points with low VIS brightness (from RGB)
- 4. Fit plane
- 5. Fit paraboloid
- 6. Filter around fitted paraboloid and new fit  $\int_{0.10}^{0.15}$



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## **Method**

#### Data proccessing and filtering

- Approximate coordinate transformation to heliostat plane 1.
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- Facet normal vector comparison with theoretical 8.







#### **Results**







#### **Results**

Flux before vs. after canting error correction



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#### Conclusion

Laser scanning for canting error correction

- Feasibility of laser scanning for fast off-target heliostat canting error correction was demonstrated.
- Accuracy of the method:
  - Mean absolute error of the fitting of facets below 8 mm
  - Uncertainty of canting angles (from fit):
    0.03-0.1 mrad
- Heliostats facets with cleanliness lower than 97% could be measured.







Chapter 5

# Outlook



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#### Outlook

Laser scanning for canting, tracking and cleanliness



- Potential for a fast cleanliness, canting and tracking assessment in the heliostat field
- Room for improvement of accuracy and efficiency/time in further optimization and automatization

## → Looking forward to discuss projects for such optimization with you





#### Thanks for your attention!

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### Optical Simulation of Concentrating Collectors

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#### **Digital CST toolchain**

Design, simulation and optimization





### Optical Simulation of Concentrator Optics with Raytrace3D

#### **Optical simulation of concentrator optics with Raytrace3D** Overview

#### Monte-Carlo forward ray tracing



#### Features

- Comprehensive library of geometries/materials/light sources
  - detailed modeling of various solar applications
- Fully object-oriented
  - readily extensible
- Number crunching in C++ and pre/postprocessing in Python
  - Fast and versatile
- Parallelized
  - run on simulation servers





#### **Optical simulation of concentrator optics with Raytrace3D**

Applications: micro-textured surfaces



Micro-textured anti-reflective surface with randomly distributed pyramid structures



Ray tracing model with teleport walls

Single ray path



#### **Optical simulation of concentrator optics with Raytrace3D**

Applications: CPV concentrator



CPV collector based on parabolic mirror



Ray tracing model with teleport walls



#### **Optical simulation of concentrator optics with Raytrace3D**

Applications: Linear Fresnel collector





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## **Optical simulation of concentrator optics with Raytrace3D**

Applications: Solar Tower heliostat fields





## Modeling of Reflectors/Mirrors

## Scattering and slope deviations

- Different sources for shape errors
- Deviation of reflected ray is twice the slope deviation (2D)
- Important finding: angular deviations of the surface normal are much more relevant than positional deviations of the surface
- Models for surface slope deviations
  - Gaussian, radially symmetric distribution (*sigma* parameter)
  - User-defined, radially symmetric distribution (look-up table)
  - Local slope deviations mapped onto the ideal surface







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Scattering and slope deviations

# Ray tracing with local slope deviations – effects on the focal line

- Measured slope deviations
- Slope deviations according to model function fitted to measurements

$$sd_{x,i} = \frac{\partial z_i}{\partial x_{\text{mod},i}} - \frac{\partial z_i}{\partial x_{id,i}}$$
 with  $\frac{\partial z_i}{\partial x_{\text{mod},i}} = a_0 + a_1x_i + a_2y_i + a_3x_i^3$ 

$$sd_{yj} = \frac{\partial z_i}{\partial y_{\text{mod}j}} - \frac{\partial z_i}{\partial y_{idj}} \qquad \qquad \frac{\partial z}{\partial y_{\text{mod},i}} = a_4 + a_5 x_i + a_6 y_i + a_7 \sin(a_8 y_i)$$

 Mapping of local slope deviations has been validated by comparing with a triangulated mesh



FIGURE 7. (i), Left column: a) Ideal focal line with CSR5. b) Focal line with slope error of σ=2.8 mrad. c) Focal line from measured slope deviations in curved direction, d) longitudinal direction e) full measured surface. (ii), Right column: Focal line of a surface according to the model function a) rotation (not by identified value, but by 2 mrad to clearly show the effect), b) bending c) torsion/twist. In longitudinal direction, the effect of undulation d) according to the sinusoidal model function is depicted. e) Modelled combination of all effects. Dotted black lines indicate the designated receiver aperture.

Heimsath et al., Linear Fresnel collector mirrors - Measured systematic surface errors and their impact on the focal line, 2019, https://doi.org/10.1063/1.5117612.



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Soiling and angle-dependent reflectance

- Annual distribution of incidence angles on gross aperture area
- Significant differences between technologies and sites
- Reflectance values for near-normal incidence might not be very representative





Soiling and angle-dependent reflectance

- Shading and blocking due to (spherical) dust particles
- Incidence angle dependency of reflectance
  - weak for clean mirrors
  - strong for soiled mirrors
- Geometric model with two degrees of freedom:
  - Soiling type parameter d
  - Soiling attenuation parameter µ

$$\zeta_{\lambda,\varphi}(\lambda,\,\theta_i,\,\varphi) = \frac{\rho_{\lambda,\varphi,soil}(\lambda,\,\theta_i,\,\varphi)}{\rho_{\lambda,\varphi}(\lambda,\,\theta_i,\,\varphi)} = \exp\left[-\left(\frac{2\mu}{\cos\theta_i}\right)^d\right]$$

 Good agreement with measurements of test dust and desert dust





Heimsath et al., 2019: The effect of soiling on the reflectance of solar reflector materials - Model for prediction of incidence angle dependent reflectance and attenuation due to dust deposition. Solar Energy Materials and Solar Cells.



Soiling and angle-dependent reflectance

Impact of incidence angle dependent reflectance on optical efficiency, in comparison to a constant nominal reflectance

- Clean reflectance 95%
- Mean cleanliness of 93%





Sutardhio, Claudia Gita (2016): Master thesis. Analysis of performance reduction due to soiling on concentrating solar power



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### Conclusion



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Need for detailed material models

Figure 6.5: Optical loss effects - geometrical and material losses

The case study shows optical loss effects for normal incidence ( $\theta_t$ =0;  $\theta_i$ =0). The first part shows losses due to the primary mirror field geometry (cosine, shading, blocking), then the effecto of the total optical errors, acceptance of secondary geometry and receiver shading and losses due to material properties (reflection, transmission, absorption). The dark blue colums show the simulation results for a good geometrical configuration, but lower quality absorber and reflector properties. The light blue columns show the results for the same collector but with high quality components and low optical errors.(Adapted from Heimsath,2014<sup>11</sup>).

Angle-dependent material properties highly relevant for various applications

Need for detailed simulation models like ray tracing



Choose model according to required level of detail



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What is SHIP? Technology and market overview

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### Definition of SHIP

- Current flagship SHIP projects
- Global SHIP market development 2022 supply side and demand side
- Costs and cost reduction potential
- Solar Industrial Heat Outlook 2023-2026
- Pdf will be provided to all participants!



- Industrial applications such as cleaning, sterilisation, pasteurisation, pre-heating
- ✓ Agricultural applications like drying systems
- ✓ Heating of greenhouses and/or stables for food production, nurseries, animal sheds, vegetable farming
- ✓ Commercial laundries and car/truck washing

The following solar heat applications are <u>not</u> considered as SHIP:

- Health sector (hospitals and clinics)
- Boarding schools and military barracks (Showers of Canteens for workers)
- Solar commercial cooking (India)
- CSP plants that aim at electricity production only





#### Enormous global heat demand in industry





SOLAR HEAT FOR INDUSTRY



INDUSTRY	LOW	MEDIUM			HIGH	co
	Below 150 °C	150 to 400 °C			> 400 °C	
Chemical	• Boiling	• Distilling				
Food and beverage	Drying · Boiling Pasteurising · Sterilising					
Machinery	Cleaning • Drying					
Mining	Copper electrolytic refining Mineral drying processes	Nitrate melting				
Textile	Washing · Bleaching	• Dyeing				
Wood	Steaming · Pickling Cooking	Compression · Drying				
	100 °C 150	°C 250	°C	350 °C		
	Flat plate					
	Evacuated tube CPC Evacuated flat plate	Small parabolic trough / linear Fresnel without evacuated receiver				
		C	oncentrating dish	Large parabolic trough / linear Fresnel		
				with evacuated receiver		)m



#### **STATIONARY COLLECTORS**





- Evacuated flat plate collector
- Evacuated tube collector



Evacuated tube collector with compound parabolic concentrator (CPC)

#### **TRACKING COLLECTORS**



Parabolic trough collector



Linear fresnel collector



Concentrating dish collector

Turnhout, Belgium, 2.5 MW, chemical factory, parabolic trough collectors, inauguration 6<sup>th</sup> of September 2023, mineral oil, 20 % solar share

280 to 380 °C solar heat to the clients supply network





## France, 10 MW, drying of malt in Boortmalt factory, 60 to 90 °C, since 2021 (10 %) of rico







190 m<sup>2</sup> flat plate collector field for a calf-breeding farm where the hot water is used to prepare food for the calves Photos: G2 Energy



10.5 MW flat plate collector field (15,000 m<sup>2</sup>) since April 2020 in the Netherlands heat Freezia flower greenhouses at night (40 to 90 °C). The surplus energy in summer goes into an underground aquifer storage system with 160 m<sup>3</sup>.

#### SHIP plants for Heineken in Spain





30 MW parabolic trough collector field at Heineken Factor in Seville covering 50 % of the total heat demand of the factory Photo: IEA SHC Task 64



3.5 MW Linear Fresnel collector field for Heineken Factory in Quart de Publet, Valencia Photo: CSIN



Client	Beer brewer Heineken Spain		
Aperture area of parabolic trough collector field	43,414 m <sup>2</sup>		
Thermal capacity of the parabolic trough collector field	30 MW		
Solar share of the total heat demand of the factory	> 53 %		
Type of collector	HYT6000/SL5770 (size of CSP collectors 12 m x 5.77 m)		
Estimated solar yield	30,000 MWh/a		
Specific estimated solar yield	691 kWh/m <sup>2</sup> aperture area		
Type and size of heat storage	Eight pressurized steel tanks with a total capacity of 800 $m^3$ (68.8 MWh)		
Heat transfer fluid in solar field	Pressurised water		
Range of operation temperature of the solar field	Up to 210 °C		
Range of operation temperature of the client's heat network	140 to 150 °C		
Energy service company and owner of the SHIP plant	Engie España (Spain)		
EPC for solar collector field	Azteq (Belgium) / Solarlite (Germany)		
Duration of heat purchase agreement between Engie España and Heineken Spain	20 years		
Period of construction of SHIP plant	June 2022 to June 2023		
Total investment for SHIP plant including storage and installation	EUR 21 million		
Specific investment costs	484 €/m² aperture area		
Total amount of subsidy from the European Regional Development Fund	EUR 13.4 million		

#### Miraah in Oman – largest SHIP plant worldwide (330 MW)





Owner and operator is Petroleum Development Oman, EPC was Glasspoint Solar, roof cleaning every night, light construction of the parabolic troughs, enhance oil recovery ("Oil companies can spend as much as 60 % of their operation costs for fuel for EOR") Photos: Glasspoint





Enormous potential for SHIP because of huge demand of low and medium temperature industrial heat

Different collector types according to temperature level of heat demand

Commitment of multinational cooperations to reduce their carbon footprint of production (Heineken, Asahi, Carlsberg, Mayr-Melnhof Graphia, Pepsico, Boortmalt)

Food and beverage, textile, chemical, automotive, mining and oil industry are the key sectors suitable for SHIP plants

Good funding situation in some European markets (Austria, France, Netherlands, Germany, Spain) and United States – still an important decision driver



# Global SHIP market development 2022: demand and supply side

### Annual surveys since 2017



#### Suppliers of Turnkey Solar Process Heat Systems



https://www.solar-payback.com/suppliers/





#### **Retarding factors:**

Slow decision making in management of industry companies and requirement for short payback periods

Cumulated SHIP capacity in MW
Capacity additions to SHIP plant in Oman in MW
Annual SHIP capacity additions in MW

Source: Solrico, Status: September 2023 SHIP = Solar Heat for Industrial Processes



# Do you agree with the following statements regarding trends in the global SHIP market?



March 2023









Distribution of collector type area in the SHIP world market 2022 [30 MW in total including China]



More concentrating than stationary collector manufacturers are listed on the updated SHIP Supplier World map

72 turnkey SHIP suppliers are currently depicted on the world map

74 % of the listed companies produce collectors in-house or on-site



Status: April 2023; Source: Modulus / solrico

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#### Solarsteam, Canada



#### Heliovis, Austria



#### **Glasspoint USA**



Idhelio, France



Phoenix Solar Thermal, Canada (production line from Absolicon, Sweden)

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### Turnkey suppliers with more than 10 reference projects at the end of 2022

Status: April 2023; Source: Modulus / solrico





Industry hub in Mexico, China and Germany!



# Costs and cost reduction potential (I added some slides on the methodology of the costs assessment with IRENA)

## Cooperation

Unique database: costperformance data sets for 942 solar heat projects with 879 MW commissioned between 2010 and 2020

Solar Payback

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Data providers: 32 technology suppliers and project developers and 3 funding agencies

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#### Aknowledgements: Austria: Climate and Energy Funds, GREENoneTECH, SOLID Solar Energy Systems Belgium: **Rioglass Solar** China: Linuo Paradigma Finland: Savo-Solar Germany: Aschoff Solar Federal Office for Economic Affairs and Export Control, Industrial Solar, Solarlite CSP Technology, Viessmann

Greece: Cosmosolar Solar Solutions India: Bipin Engineers, Emmvee Solar Systems, Intersolar, Nuetech Solar Systems, Quadsun, VSM Solar Mexico: Casolar, Citrus, Inventive Power, Módulo Solar Spain: Solatom CSP Sweden: Absolicon Solar Collector Turkey: Eraslan, Solimpeks Solar Energy Systems

#### **Exceptional knowhow:**

Adapting the approved methodology of cost trend assessment of the annual *Renewable Power Generation Cost* report since 2010



Michael Taylor, Senior Analyst at IRENA



### Methodology



# How to read this chart?

Each circle illustrates a solar heat project for which the following data is available in the IRENA database:

- · Year and country of commissioning
- Collector type
- Application
- Size in kW / aperture area
- Total costs in local currency including installation without VAT/subsidies
- Calculated/simulated solar heat yield in MWh/year

The bold line represents the weighted-average installed costs in a year. The weighted-average is calculated as a sum of costs of all commissioned projects in this year times thermal capacity, divided by the sum of the thermal capacity.

# How are LCOH calculated?

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**LCOH** = Levelised Cost of Heat and describes the heat costs averaged over the system lifetime of 25 years (n). This methodology allows the comparison of costs in different countries and for different applications.

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As the equation uses a standardised **WACC** and lifetime for all projects, **LCOH** are different from solar heat prices that the individual plant owner reaches with its investment.

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**I**<sub>0</sub> = investment expenditure in year zero

- $M_t$  = operation and maintenance expenditure estimated by IEA SHC Task 64 experts
  - 1 % of total installed costs per year (  $\leq$  1,000 m<sup>2</sup> aperture area of field)
  - $\cdot$  0.5 % of total installed costs per year (>1,000 m² aperture area of field)
- Y = project-specific annual heat generation [MWh/a]
- r = discount rate (WACC) = 5 % (real)



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### Asia and Mexico are the markets with the lowest industrial solar heat costs





#### How to read this chart:

The grey bands show the 5<sup>th</sup> and 95<sup>th</sup> percentiles of LCOH by project for a region / country. Projects with various collector technologies are included all commissioned in the period 2010 to 2020. The LCOH is calculated with a standardised WACC of 5 % and 25 years lifetime.

The bold line represents the weighted-average installed costs for that country/region.



Average collector field size

Average annual solar yield



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#### **Denmark's SDH market:** a role model for economies of scale



#### **Economies of scale at the plant level:**

The trend line suggests that for every doubling of the size of the plant, total installed costs will decline by 14 %.

Extrapolating to a 110 MW plant implies costs of 296 USD/kW, somewhat lower than the data for Silkeborg.

#### How to read this chart:

Each orange circle shows one SDH project and each blue circle shows one of the large multi-MW SHIP plants commissioned between 2010 and 2021 in Europe. 97 % of the SDH projects have been installed in three countries Austria, Germany and Denmark.


#### Rapid scale up of SDH in Denmark reduced the costs



Total installed cost learning curve trends for solar district heating in Denmark



Cumulative deployment of collector area in Denmark [m<sup>2</sup>]

#### How to read this chart:

Simple average total cost values of Danish SDH plants per year and weighted-average total cost values per year are plotted over the national cumulative deployment rates in Denmark. Both trend lines are calculated including Denmark's SDH plant with 110 MW in Silkeborg. The learning rate describes the percentage reduction of costs for every doubling of cumulative installed capacity and is graphed on a log-log scale to show as a straight line.





Figure 1.8 The global weighted-average total installed cost learning curve trends for solar PV, CSP, onshore and offshore wind, 2010-2020



Learning rates for total installed costs of different renewable technologies in the ten years period 2010-2020 according to the IRENA-report "Renewable Power Generation Costs 2020":

Utility scale solar PV: 34 % Concentrating Solar Power: 22 % Offshore Wind: 9.4 % Onshore Wind: 16.6 %

Source: Renewable Power Generation Costs in 2020 by IRENA

https://shorturl.at/iJO34

Cost reductions are most likely to be achieved for which of the following parts of CAPEX in short term?

#### Please select one option!

Planning/ Design	Collector field	Piping between field and storage	Balance of plant (integration of solar heat in client's network)	Construction and installation work	Storage tank		
Please give re	asons for your cl	noice					

Cost reductions are most likely to be achieved for which of the following parts of CAPEX in short term?



e) Analysis of the parts of CAPEX were cost reduction potential could be most easily achieved rico



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SHIP project development is still a tough business with long development times and demanding clients

Gas price peaks in 2022 have increased demand

Key ship markets in the last years were Netherlands, China, Mexico, France

Wide range of LCOH for SHIP with Mexican/Chinese project developers reaching the most cost competitive heat prices (higher irradiation)

- Number of concentrating collector manufacturers offering EPC SHIP solutions is growing
- Economies of scale suggests great potential for cost savings
- Suppliers see cost reduction potential mainly in planning, construction and balance of plant.



# Solar Industrial Heat Outlook 2023-2026

#### Solar Industrial Heat Outlook 2023-2026





Cumulated SHIP capacity in MW
 Forecast for cumulated SHIP capacity in MW
 Capacity additions to SHIP plant in Oman in MW
 Annual SHIP capacity additions in MW

\*2023: Contractually secured projects where the first heat is to be delivered in 2023 \*\*2024-2026: Project capacities are weighted according to their probability of realisation The conversion factor of 0.7 kW/m<sup>2</sup> aperture area is used for most projects. Projects in China are not considered in this chart.

Source: Solrico, Status: September 2023; SHIP = Solar Heat for Industrial Processes



- 22 project developers contributed contracted projects and projects under planning:
  - Austria: Alexe Simona- greenXcloud, Heliovis, Solid Solar Energy Systems
  - Belgium: Azteq/Solarlite
  - Canada Rackam
  - France: New Heat
  - Germany: Industrial Solar, Protarget, Soliterm
  - India: Quadsun
  - Israel: Tigi
  - Mexico: Flemming Jørgensen, Inventive Power, Modulo Solar
  - Netherlands: G2Energy, Solho
  - Spain: Solatom, Tecnosol
  - Sweden: Absolicon
  - Switzerland: TVP Solar
  - USA: Glasspoint, Solar Dynamics





#### 63 projects were reported with different status of planning

STATUS	Realisation potential
Signed LOI	30%
Signed MOU	30%
Ordered engineering study	60%
Submitted application for subsidies	60%
Approved subsidy / financing	60%
Signed EPC contract for collector field	100%
Signed heat delivery contract	100%
Construction started	100%
First heat to client delivered	100%



# **Solar Industrial Heat Outlook**



\*2023 to 2026 includes all announced projects at full capacity.

Projects in China are not considered in this chart.

Source: Solrico, Status: September 2023; SHIP = Solar Heat for Industrial Processes



SOLAR INDUSTRIAL HEAT OUTLOOK 2023-2026

# Heat delivery contracts dominate the future SHIP market



\*2024-2026: project capacities are weighted according to their probability of realization. Projects in China are not considered in this chart. Source: solrico, Status: September 2023; SHIP = Solar Heat for Industrial Processes





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#### SOLAR INDUSTRIAL HEAT OUTLOOK 2023-2026



# A wide range of industrial clients trust solar industrial heat solutions worldwide







Industrial sectors of announced SHIP projects Source: solrico, Status: September 2023



News articles about the most recent SHIP Supplier Surveys including : https://solarthermalworld.org/modulus/

Check out the SHIP Supplier World map: <u>http://www.solar-payback.com/suppliers/</u>

Download the infographics of the Solar Industrial Heat Outlook 2023-2026: https://solarthermalworld.org/news/promising-solar-industrial-heat-outlook-2023-2026/

Use photos of SHIP plants for your presentations: <u>https://www.solar-payback.com/gallery/gallone\_en.php</u>

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# Testing, Certification, Power and Energy yield Check Methods

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#### What can you expect here today?

- Certification of solar thermal collectors (09:15 09:45)
- Visit the outdoor testing facilities of the TestLab Solar Thermal Systems (09:45 10:15 + 15 Min coffee break)
- Performance Characterization and Function Testing of solar thermal collectors (10:30 11:15)
- Performance and Energy Yield Check Methods for large scale Systems (11:15 12:00)

#### What are your special interests regarding those topics?

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### Part 1

### **Certification of solar thermal collectors**



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#### Certification of solar thermal collectors (and Energy Labeling?)

- Why certification of solar thermal collectors?
- Available certification marks
- Comparison of certification marks
- Solar Keymark Certification



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#### Why certification of solar thermal collectors?

- To reduce trade barriers and promote the use of high quality solar thermal products
- Assuring end-consumers that the products are fully tested according to the relevant standards
- Allowing manufacturers to introduce new products into the market
- Demonstration of comparable results within publicly available data bases
- Governments recognize the certification as a useful for public support schemes.
- And others ...



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#### Available certification marks

#### Europe

SKM - Solar Keymark Certification (<u>https://solarkeymark.eu/</u>)

#### USA

- SRCC Solar Rating & Certification Corporation (ICC-SRCC<sup>TM</sup>) (<u>https://solar-rating.org/</u>)
- North America & Canada
- North America's premier plumbing and mechanical product certification agency (<u>https://www.iapmort.org/</u>)
  Autralia & New Zeeland
- StandardMark<sup>TM</sup> certification program (<u>https://www.saiglobal.com</u>)

#### Global

GSCN – Global Solar Certification Network (<u>www.gscn.solar</u>)

(The GSCN is not an original or primery certification mark. It's a global network of certification bodies, inspectors, test labs and solar thermal industr committed to strengthening the solar thermal market.)

6This Network works on the harmonization and the mutual recognition of regional certification schemes. © Fraunhofer ISE FHG-SK: ISE-INTERNAL





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#### **Comparison of certification marks**

- All based on the same testing standard (ISO 9806:2017)
- SKM is related to EN12975:2022, since it is a European certification mark. But EN12975 is linked to ISO 9806
- SRCC and IAPMO are based on their own standards (OG-100 in case of SRCC), but those standards are also linked to ISO 9806
- GSCN provides no own certification scheme, just recognition/mutual agreements to existing once. Therefore, it provide guidance and suggestions for implementing certification schemes for solar thermal collectors in different countries and regions

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	<	<	<	SAHC (Solar Air Heating Collectors)	
	<	<	<	WISC (Wind and Infrared Sensitive Collector)	
	<	<	<	CSC (Concentrating Solar Collector)	
	<	<	<	PVT (Photovoltaic Thermal Solar Collector)	
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shc.org/Data/Sites/1/publications/Guide-to-Standard-ISO-9806-20

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#### **Solar Keymark Certification – Basics**

SK is a product certification scheme according to EN ISO/IEC 17067:2013-12 and therefore the functional approach as described in ISO/IEC 17000:2004, Annex A. The functions are:

- selection, which includes planning and preparation activities to collect or produce all the information and input needed for the subsequent determination function;
- determination, which includes conformity assessment activities such as testing, measuring, inspection to provide information regarding the product requirements as input to the review and attestation functions;
- review, which means verification of the results of these activities, about fulfilment of specified requirements
- **decision** on certification;
- attestation, which means issue of a statement of conformity
- surveillance, which means systematic iteration of conformity assessment activities as a basis for maintaining the validity of the statement of conformity



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#### Solar Keymark Certification - Involved Parties and their Responsibility

Source: Guide to ISO 9806:2017; https://www.iea-shc.org/Data/Sites/1/publications/Guide-to-Standard-ISO-9806-2017-2.0.pdf



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#### **Solar Keymark Certification – Certification procedure**

The flow chart shows the general certification process of Solar Keymark Certification. Due to legal requirements, a Solar Keymark Certificate can only be issued based on tests according to a European standard. For this reason, the European collector test standard EN 12975 is mentioned within this chart. Nevertheless, the tests and measurements must be performed according to ISO 9806, which defines the testing requirements and is the reference in EN 12975.

Source: Guide to ISO 9806:2017; https://www.iea-shc.org/Data/Sites/1/publications/Guide-to-Standard-ISO-9806-2017-2.0.pdf



#### **Certification of solar thermal collectors** Fraunhofer ISE

### Solar Keymark Certification – Basics

- Developed by the Solar Heat Europe/ESTIF and CEN (European Committee for Standardization) in close co-operation with leading European TestLabs and with the support of the European Commission
- More than 35 Solar Keymark empowered certification bodies
- Around 25 Solar Keymark test labs
- 2100 different products/brands
- 740 Manufacturers/distributors from 36 different countries

>> More Information about "Solar Keymark across Europe" see: https://solarkeymark.eu/about-solar-keymark/solar-keymark-acrosseurope/

#### **KEYMARK: Facts And Figures at a Glance.**

#### KEYMARK - Tested and certified once, accepted everywhere!

The KEYMARK is a voluntary European quality mark for products and services, that demonstrates compliance with European Standards. It is owned by the European standardization organizations CEN and CENELEC and is issued by empowered Certification Bodies. KEYMARK certification offers manufacturers and service providers new sales opportunities and opens new paths into the ever-expanding European market.

Facts about KEYMARK	2021
Valid KEYMARK certificates	2.716
EN Standards with KEYMARK certificates	23
Countries with KEYMARK certificates	38
Empowered Certification Bodies	35
Active Scheme Groups	5
KEYMARK Licence Fees in EUR	344.760

#### **History of KEYMARK**

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#### **Solar Keymark Certification – Scheme Rules**

#### The Solar Keymark Scheme Rules

The overall rules for the Solar Keymark certification scheme follow the general Keymark rules given in the CEN documents below.

CEN/CENELEC Internal Regulations: Part 4 Certification, July 2018 (PDF)

The specific Solar Keymark rules acts as a supplement to the general rules, giving the specific requirements related to the particular Keymark certification of solar thermal products.

SOLAR KEYMARK SKN\_N0444R6\_SK\_Scheme Rules (PDF) / Edition 2022-06-02

SKN\_N0484R9\_History-and-List-of-changes-for-SRs-N0444



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#### **Solar Keymark Certification – Network**

- to maintain and continuously improve the Solar Keymark scheme rules and procedures;
- harmonies practical procedures;
- exchange experience amongst operators;
- exchange information between industry and operators;
- arrange comparative testing "Round Robin" amongst test labs;
- inform about Solar Keymark;
- list certified products;
- list empowered and accredited operators



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Internal area on the homepage, providing

- all recent documents
- Internal regulations
- Publicly available decision list





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#### **Solar Keymark Certification – The data base**

- Lists all Solar Keymark certified collectors, tanks, systems and controllers in a standardized way
- Shows the conformity of the product with the related products standard (in case of collectors EN12975 and ISO 9806)
- Gives an overview about the test results in form of a standardized data sheet
- https://solarkeymark.eu/database/



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#### Solar Keymark Certification – The data sheet (Page 1)

- Shows the
  - standardizes power output per collector
  - The determined efficiency parameters
  - The determined IAM-Values
  - The boundary conditions for testing
  - The related test report
  - Some additional information (if required)

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#### Solar Keymark Certification – The data sheet (Page 1)

- Shows the:
  - Gross thermal yield per collector and m<sup>2</sup> at four different locations, Athens, Davos, Stockholm, Würzburg
  - Climate class which the collector has been tested for
  - Mechanical load boundaries
  - Data required for CDR (EU) No. 812/2013
- Gives additional information about:
  - Recommended heat transfer medium
  - Installation

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SX 2.51		2.762	1.957	1.302	2.092	1.459	954	1.536	1.010	632	1.667	1.085	669
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#### **Solar Keymark Certification – Summary**

 Voluntary quality mark based on a third-party product certification scheme according to EN ISO/IEC 17067, System 5

Industry driven (ESTIF)

- Implemented in codes, regulations, laws and subsidy instruments
- Based on EN Standards
- https://solarkeymark.eu/



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Performance Characterization and Function Testing solar thermal collectors


## **Certification of solar thermal collectors**

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## Performance Characterization and Function Testing solar thermal collectors



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- Most relevant standards an overview
- Testing solar thermal collectors Function Tests
- Testing solar thermal collectors Performance Characterization
- Testing solar thermal collectors Result Presentation + two exercises



Most relevant standards



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#### Most relevant standards – an overview

Reference	Tilte	Scope
EN ISO 9488:2022	Solar energy - Vocabulary	defines basic terms relating to solar energy
EN 12975:2022	Solar collectors - General requirements	secifies requirements with respect to durability, reliability, safetyand thermal performance
ISO 22975-1:2016	Collector components and materials Part 1: Evacuated tubes	specifies definitions and test methods for materials, durability and performance <u>of all types of evacuated tubes</u>
ISO 22975-2:2016	Collector components and materials Part 2: Heat-pipes for solar thermal application	specifies definitions and test methods for durability and performance of heat-pipes for solar thermal application
ISO 22975-3:2014	Collector components and materials Part 3: Absorber surface durability	specifies a failure criterion of a solar absorber based on changes in optical performance of the absorber
ISO 22975-4:2023	Collector components and materials Part 4: Glazing material durability and performance	specifies definitions and test methods for glazing material durability and performance
ISO 9806:2017	Solar energy - Solar thermal collectors - Test methods	specifies test methods for assessing the durability, reliability, safety and thermal performance applicable for laboratory testing <u>and for in situ testing</u> .



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### **Testing solar thermal collectors - Function Test**



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#### **Testing solar thermal collectors - Function checks**

- Function test are intended to determine the ability of collectors to withstand normal operation conditions, like:
  - Pressures which might occur >> Internal pressure test
  - Operation and stagnation temperatures, humidity, rain, thermal cycling >> Exposure test, Stagnation test
  - Sudden cold rain on hot sunny days >> External thermal shock test
  - Sudden intake of cold heat transfer media >> Internal thermal shock test
  - Ingress of Water >> Rain penetration test
  - Freezing >> Freeze resistance test
  - Wind and snow loads >> Mechanical load test
  - Hail impacts >> Impact resistance test

(Annotation: List is incomplete, since tests for SAHC has not been considered)













#### **Testing solar thermal collectors - Function checks**

- Results of Function Test are partly determined directly after testing (e.g., mechanical load) or even during the final inspection (e.g., rain penetration)
- Boundary conditions for Function Tests are only partly given by ISO 9806:2017
- Boundaries for the exposure class, permissible mechanical loads, internal pressure and hail resistance must be defined by the manufacturer and tested respectively
- Test boundaries can also result from previous tests (e.g., usage of determined Standard Stagnation Temperature for internal pressure test of polymeric absorbers)
- For detailed information about:
  - Test requirement and boundary conditions
  - How to conduct a certain test
  - Manufacturers information
  - Exemplary results

Please see: Guide to ISO 9806:2017 Let's have a short look together!













### **Testing solar thermal collectors – Collectors with special attributes**

- The ISO 9806:2017 covers the most current standard products. Some of those collectors has special attributes which must be considered in testing
- Special attributes are:
  - Collectors using external power sources for normal operation (e.g. SAHC, tracking and concentrating, ...)
  - Collectors using active or passive measures for normal operation and self-protection (tracking and concentrating)
  - . . .
  - Further examples (e.g. Co-generating thermal and electrical power, Wind and/or infrared sensitive collectors (WISC), Façade collectors and others) see: <u>Guide to ISO 9806:2017, Chapter 5.1</u>
  - Let's have a closer look on Collectors using external power sources and Tracking/Concentrating Collectors



### Testing solar thermal collectors - Testing solar thermal collectors with special attributes

- Collectors using external power sources and/or active or passive measures for normal operation and self protection:
  - If the collector which is using external power sources and/or active or passive for normal operation and selfprotection is installed at the testing side of the testing laboratory, it is recommended that the manufacturer is present during the installation to avoid installation errors, errors in commissioning, and system settings;
  - External parts of collectors like cabinets, sensors, etc. shall be weatherproof. Components which are an
    integral part of the collector (e.g. actuators, motors, cabinets, etc.) for which water penetration can be
    expected shall be a part of the rain penetration test;
  - The function of a USP-System (undisturbed power supply) can easily be checked by interruption of main power supply.



# Testing solar thermal collectors - Testing solar thermal collectors with special attributes

- Tracking and concentrating collectors
  - To be tested using the supplier's tracking system;
  - Specific aspects related to durability testing, e.g., active protection;
  - The procedure for the determination of the incident angle modifier as given within ISO 9806:2017 might not be applicable in case of unsymmetrical collector constructions without further adaptions;
  - In-Situ testing might be necessary in case of large (tracking/concentrating) collectors;





### **Testing solar thermal collectors - Performance Characterization**



### **Performance characterization - Methods**

- Typically, one of the two following measuring methods is used:
  - Steady-State Test >> see ISO 9806:2017, Chapter 23.6.1
  - Quasi-Dynamic Test >> see ISO 9806:2017, Chapter 23.6.2



In-Situ QDT >> see ISO 9806:2017, Chapte 23.6.1 and Annex P5.5 of the Solar Keymark Scheme Rules



#### **Performance characterization - Methods**

- Steady State Testing (SST) and Quasi Dynamic Testing (QDT) exist as equivalent methods in the standard
- The methods have been compared in several round-robin tests and the overall uncertainty achieved was around  $\pm 2\%$  (pp) for the  $\eta_{0,hem}$  value
- Only the QDT model includes the differentiation of diffuse and direct radiation >> more applicable for collectors whose thermal performance is sensible to the diffuse fraction (e.g., concentrating collectors)
- QDT does not require a tracking facility >> might be an advantage
- SST, the boundary conditions have a direct influence on the collector parameters. Thus, the influence of single development steps (e.g., new absorber coating, etc.) can be easily observed

Collector type	SST	QDT
Concentrating Collector (SLHC)	-	$\checkmark$
SLHC	✓	$\checkmark$
SAHC	$\checkmark$	-
OTA-SAHC	✓	-
WISC	×	✓

- SST Steady State Testing
- QDT Quasi Dynamic Testing
- SLHC Solar Liquid Heating Collector
- SAHC Solar Air Heating Collector
- OTA Open To Ambient
- WISC Wind and Irradiance Sensitive Collector



#### **Performance characterization - Installation**

- Installation requirements are defined by ISO 9806:2017, for:
  - Different collector technologies (e.g., flat plate, vacuum tube, WISC, tracking and concentrating, ...), Indoor and outdoor performance characterization, SST and QDT performance characterization, Liquid heating and air heating collectors, Open to ambient and closed loop air heating collectors and others ...
- The requirements covers:
  - Manufacturers specifications, surrounding conditions, air circulation, insulation conditions, ...
- In case of In-Situ-Measurements additional parameters must be considered, like:
  - Usage of manufacturers tracking system, shadowing in case of fixed installations, and others ...
- For more Information, please see Fact Sheet 22 of Guide to ISO 9806





#### Performance characterization - Instrumentation

- Instrumentation requirements are defined by ISO 9806:2017, for:
  - Solar radiation (Global, Diffuse and Direct Irradiance), Thermal radiation, Fluid temperature for liquid heating collectors and air heating collectors, Surrounding air temperature, Surrounding air speed, And others...
- The requirements covers:
  - Sensor specifications, permitted measurement uncertainties, sampling rates as well as installation location and instructions
- Fulfilling Instrumentation requirements is often one of the most challenging tasks in case of In-Situ-Measurements!!!
- For more details see Fact Sheet 21 of Guide to ISO 9806

#### Guide to the standard ISO 9806:2017

#### 21 Instrumentation

Accurate irradiance measurements are quite difficult to perform but indispensable for accurate determination of collector efficiency. Care should be taken to avoid shading and reflected irradiance on collector and measuring equipment. Measurement equipment shall always be well aligned with the collector tilt and azimuth. If a Pyrheliometer is used, the tracking errors associated to the mounting on the tracker must not exceed ± 0.5°. All irradiance sensors must be Class I or better, as specified in ISO 9060.

A good maintenance of radiation instruments includes regular cleaning and checking of desiccant condition

The power output of some collector designs such as ETCs, CPCs and any other concentrating type of collector will strongly depend on the distinction between beam and diffuse irradiance. Diffuse irradiance can be measured by a Pyranometer equipped with a shadow ring or tracking ball, direct irradiance by a tracked Pyrheliometer, global irradiance by a regular Pyranometer. Depending on the combination of instruments chosen, one of the quantities can be calculated from the formulas:

$$G_b = DNI \cos G_d = G_{hem} - 0$$

Best results will be reached with a combination including a Pyrheliometer to measure the direct normal irradiance (DNI). For highly concentrating collectors (CR > 3) the usage of a Pyrheliometer is mandatory

The consideration of the long wave irradiance E<sub>i</sub> is needed for the characterization of infrared sensitive collectors (e.g. collectors for swimming pool heating) and can be measured using a Pyrgeometer mounted in the plane of the collector. If long-wave irradiance is accounted for, it shall be determined to a standard uncertainty of 10 W/m<sup>2</sup>

Mounting position, immersion depth and fluid flow characteristics are crucial for the quality of temperature measurements. The sensors shall not be more than 200mm from the collector inlet and outlet. The pipework should be carefully insulated, ideally including the sensor head itself.

Liquid Heating Collectors	Air Heating Collectors
The sensor probe shall always point upstream, and a bend in the pipe work, an orifice or a fluid-mixing device shall be placed upstream of the sensor to ensure turbulent flow at the position of temperature measurement. A large immersion depth up to 10 times the inner pipe diameter minimizes temperature losses to the outside. The difference between the collector outlet and inlet temperatures (A1) shall be determined to a standard uncertainty of < 0.05 K and to an accuracy of better than 1 %.	The flow distribution shall be homogenized constructively over the channel cross-section. The temperature measurement shall be designed in a way that temperature gradients are balanced over the channels cross-section. The temperature of the heat transfer fluid at the collector inlet shall be measured to a standard uncertainty of $\pm$ 0.2 K.





### Performance Characterization - In-Situ testing (QDT)

- In-Situ Test procedures has been developed over a large range of different projects, and IEA SHC Tasks:
- Projekts:
  - Zekon In-Situ, Fraunhofer ISE:
    - Development of the ICC-Method for the in-situ performance characterization accord. ISO 9806
  - Project MeQuso, AEE-Intec:
    - Development of the D-Cat Method for quality assessment of large collector arrays under fully dynamic operating conditions
  - CollFieldEff, AEE-Intec:
    - Characterization of the thermal performance of collector arrays with covered flat-plate collectors in real system operation





#### Performance Characterization - In-Situ testing (QDT)

- All three methods are generally based on ISO 9806. But there are differences in the parameters used within the methods. Also, there are differences within the interpretation and processing the ISO 9806.
- The different methods were developed for different application purposes
- They neither compete with nor contradict each other but may even complement each other.
- It is important for manufacturers, planners and operators of plants to first define the objectives of a measurement campaign, the expected information and accuracies as well as acceptable time and cost effort precisely before deciding on a procedure.
- A detailed comparison is given in <u>IEA SHC Task 55- Integrating Large SHC-Systems</u> <u>into DHC-Networks</u> >> <u>Review of In Situ Test Methods for Solar Collectors and</u> <u>Solar Collector Arrays</u>
- Further Information about In-Situ Testing is given within https://task45.iea-shc.org/, https://task49.iea-shc.org/; https://task55.iea-shc.org/; https://task64.iea-shc.org/;
   https://task64.iea-shc.org/; https://task68.iea-shc.org/ (ongoing);





### Performance Characterization - In-Situ testing (QDT)

- But, how are in-situ testing is implemented into standardisation and certification?
- Standardization:
  - Out of the projekt ZeKon In-Situ and IEA TASK 55 the scope of ISO 9806:2017 has been extended to in-situ measurements
  - QDT performance characterization is required
  - IAM deterimination must mostly be adopted to the certain situation. (e.g., raytraycing simulations or adopted iterative prodedures, ...)

#### Certification

- The SKM Scheme Rules has been extended by Annex P5.5 In-Situ Collector Certification. This annex describes:
- Slightly different boundary conditions regarding the stability of measurements like inlet/outlet temperature, mass flow rate, etc.
- For more information please see: <u>Annex P5.5 In-Situ Certification</u>





### **Testing solar thermal collectors - Parameter Identification**



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#### **Performance characterization - SST method**

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#### **Performance characterization - SST method**

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a3		Ws/(m <sup>3·</sup> K)	3
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a5		Ws/(m <sup>2</sup> ·K)	0
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#### **Performance characterization - QDT method**

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#### **Performance characterization - QDT method**





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W/m<sup>2</sup>K

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Decimal places
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Standard deviation

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#### Performance characterization - Incident Angle Modifier (IAM)

- SST efficiency parameters are determined at normal incidence
- Separate measurement at one certain incident angle to determine the IAM and therefore to calculate the performance of the collector under any incidence angle is required
- The IAM is defined by:

$$K_{\rm b}(\theta_{\rm L},\theta_{\rm T}) = \frac{\eta_{0,\rm b}(\theta_{\rm L},\theta_{\rm T})}{\eta_{0,\rm b}}$$
$$K_{\rm hem}(\theta_{\rm L},\theta_{\rm T}) = \frac{\eta_{0,\rm hem}(\theta_{\rm L},\theta_{\rm T})}{\eta_{0,\rm hem}}$$





#### **Performance characterization - Incident Angle Modifier (IAM)**

- For conventional flat plate collectors, the IAM can be given as a constant value for e.g., 50°. The IAM It can also be given as constant values at 0°, 10°, 20°, 30°, 40°, 50°, 60°, 70°, and 80° without distinguishing between longitudinal and transversal.
- For collectors with non-symmetric optical characteristics and therefor bi-axial IAM behavior, it is necessary to distinguish between the longitudinal and transversal IAM
- For collectors with a multi-axial IAM (e.g., LFC), the of the IAM for each of the four quarter spheres could be required
- The IAM is presented over an angular range from 0° to 90°
- Calculation based eigther on "Ambrosetti" or b0-apprach
- Both calculation methods show the same results





### **Testing solar thermal collectors - Result Presentation**



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#### **Result presentation - Standard Reporting Conditions (SRC)**

- Standard Reporting conditions are implemented to:
  - Determine and represent comparable results for all kind of collector technologies
  - The collector output (table and graphical presentation) shall be reported in a comparable form, independent of the test method and for the same climatic standard reporting conditions
  - For all calculations, the model used for the analysis of the measurements shall be used (SST or QDT)
  - But how does this work in detail?

Climatic conditions	Blue sky	Hazy sky	Grey sky				
Gb	850 W/m <sup>2</sup>	440 W/m <sup>2</sup>	0 W/m <sup>2</sup>				
Gd	150 W/m <sup>2</sup>	260 W/m <sup>2</sup>	400 W/m <sup>2</sup>				
θ <sub>a</sub>	20°C	20°C	20°C				
$E_{\rm L}$ - $\sigma$ · $\vartheta_{\rm a}$ <sup>4 a</sup>	-100 W/m <sup>2</sup>	-50 W/m <sup>2</sup>	0 W/m <sup>2</sup>				
ua	1,3 m/s	1,3 m/s	1,3 m/s				
$\mathrm{d}\vartheta_{\mathrm{m}}/\mathrm{d}t^{\mathrm{b}}$	0 K/s	0 K/s	0 K/s				
a For WISC collectors only.							

For quasi dynamic tested collectors only.





#### Result presentation - Power curve/Power output per collector unit under Standard Reporting Conditions (SRC)



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#### **Result presentation – ScenoCalc >> Exercise 1**

- Three sets of typical parameters (hand out)
- Calculate the power output at SRC
- Show results in a table and graphically

Standard reporting conditions						
Blue sky	Hazy sky	Grey sky				
	St Blue sky	Standard reporting condition Blue sky Hazy sky				











#### **Result presentation – ScenoCalc >> Calculation GTY**

- Developed in the framework of the project QAIST Quality Assurance In Solar Thermal
- Open source (xlsx) calculator to provide the annual gross thermal yield of a collector
- Aiming on comparability regarding the energy output of different collectors, to avoid comparison of single KPI's like eta<sub>0</sub> without considering e.g., IAM-Values, Kd, and others, what can be misleading
- It's not a system simulation, since all energy produced by the collector is summed up within the result. There is no load profile behind
- Capacitive effects of the collector are not considered
- Is implemented into the Solar Keymark Scheme and therefore harmonize such an approach for Europe
- Provide information to subsidy schemes







#### **Result presentation – ScenoCalc >> Calculation GTY**

- SK Certificate Evaluation
  - Calculates the Power Output per collector according SRC
  - Calculates the GTY at three constant fluid mean temperatures
  - Shows results for four different locations (Athens, Davos, Würzburg, Stockholm). Respective weather data is implemented
  - Used for certification reasons
- Basic Evaluation
  - Allows to adjust temperature levels, locations, orientation of the collector and tracking modes
  - Considers tracking mechanisms and non-symmetrical IAMbehaviour
- Link >> <u>Complete description of ScenoCalc and it's calculation</u> <u>methods</u>





#### **Result presentation – ScenoCalc >> Exercise 2**

- Three sets of typical parameters (hand out)
- Please download ScenoCalc >> https://solarkeymark.eu/calculationtools/ (see bottom, left on the side)
- Calculate the power output at SRC (check your results from exercise 1)

- Good luck -

- Calculate the Gross Thermal Yield
- Let us compare and discuss the results







# Performance and Energy Yield Check Methods for large scale Systems ISO 24194:2022



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#### Introduction

- Large solar thermal plants are identified as a key technology to provide renewable heat in residential, commercial, industrial (SHIP), and district heating applications, with substantial growth worldwide in recent years
- Heat production costs are stable and competitive (30-60 €/MWh), but only if optimal quality plant operation ensures high energy yields over the lifespan
- Two ISO standards provide a framework for quality control of solar thermal installations:
  - ISO 9806 [2] addresses the performance of single new collectors under lab conditions, generating product data sheets for plant design or simulations.
  - ISO 24194 ("Solar energy, Collector fields, Check of performance") introduces two methods for collector arrays



#### ISO 24194:2022

- New standard for performance check and daily yield check of solar thermal collector fields, first edition in 2022-05
- Previous versions of the method were developed in Denmark and used for guarantee-procedures for SDH plants
- Further development within IEA SHC Task 45 and IEA SHC Task 55 (Fact sheets: 45.A.3.1; 45.A.3.1; B-D2; B-D1.1)
- DRAFT ISO/DIS 24194 Solar energy Collector fields Check of performance (2020 / 2021)
- Currents status: DIN EN ISO 24194/A1 Collector fields –Check of performance – Amendment 1 (ISO 24194:2022/DAM 1:2023)
- ISO 24194 is the first standard of its kind by targeting energy efficiency of solar thermal collector fields


### ISO 24194:2022 - Scope

- Two procedures to check the peak performance/daily yield of solar thermal collector fields
- Applicable to glazed flat plate collectors, evacuated tube collectors and/or tracking/concentrating collectors used as collectors in fields.
- Check can be done on the peak thermal power output of the collector field or on the daily yield of the collector field.
- The document specifies for the two procedures how to compare a measured output with a calculate
- The document applies for all sizes of collector fields



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### ISO 24194:2022 – Main methods

Procedure for checking the **power performance** of solar thermal collector fields (Power Check Method)

Procedure for checking the **daily yield** of solar thermal collector fields (Daily Yield Method)

**Measurements** needed







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### ISO 24194:2022 – Performance Check Method

- The method features a performance number KPI, defined as the ratio of measured vs. expected plant output, corrected for boundary conditions like weather, temperature levels, heat demand, or system control.
- This KPI allows for comprehensive plant operation monitoring
- The performance check is fulfilled as far as Q\_meas >= Q\_estimate
- The daily yield check is fulfilled a far as Q\_heat meter,  $d \ge Qestimate-sys$ , d
- The collector field is considered, not the individual collector
- Measurements of inlet and outlet field temperature are carried out on the primary side at the heat exchange point
- Required measured parameters are Ghem, Gb, Gd, wind, mass flow rate
- Q\_meas is thereby derived from real measurement data at nearly peak power conditions to Q\_meas = m\*cp\*dT
- But how to calculate Q\_estimate and Qestimate-sys,d?



- X average power for valid points MW
- 1 average power (Est.)
- 2 average power (Meas.)



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### ISO 24194:2022 – Performance Check Method – Calculate Q\_estimate

- Q\_estimate is calculated based on ISO 9806 parameters, combined with real measurement data (G, Tamb, Tin, Tout, ...) according to one of the following equations:
- For non-concentrating collectors:

$$\dot{Q}_{\text{estimate}} = A_{\text{GF}} \cdot \left[ \eta_{0,\text{hem}} K_{\text{hem}} (\theta_{\text{L}}, \theta_{\text{T}}) G_{\text{hem}} - a_{1,\Delta Q} (\vartheta_{\text{m}} - \vartheta_{\text{a}}) - T_{\Delta Q} (\vartheta_{\text{m}} - \vartheta_{\text{a}})^2 - a_5 (d\vartheta_{\text{m}} / dt) \right] \cdot f_{\text{safe}}$$

Non- or low-focussing collectors (CR < 20)</li>

$$\dot{Q}_{\text{estimate}} = A_{\text{GF}} \cdot \left[ \eta_{0,b} K_{b} (\theta_{\text{L}}, \theta_{\text{T}}) G_{b} + \eta_{0,b} K_{d} G_{d} - a_{1,\Delta Q} (\vartheta_{\text{m}} - \vartheta_{\text{a}}) - T_{\Delta Q} (\vartheta_{\text{m}} - \vartheta_{\text{a}})^{2} - a_{5} (d\vartheta_{\text{m}} / dt) \right] \cdot f_{\text{safe}}$$

• Focusing collectors with high concentration ratio ( $CR \ge 20$ )

$$\dot{Q}_{\text{estimate}} = A_{\text{GF}} \cdot \left[ \eta_{0,b} K_b(\theta_{\text{L}}, \theta_{\text{T}}) G_b - a_{1,\Delta Q} (\vartheta_{\text{m}} - \vartheta_{\text{a}}) - a_5 (\mathrm{d}\vartheta_{\text{m}} / \mathrm{d}t) - a_8 (\vartheta_{\text{m}} - \vartheta_{\text{a}})^4 \right] \cdot f_{\text{safe}}$$

- Whereby f\_safe = Safety factor to consider pipe losses measurement uncertainties, model uncertainties etc. >> as more specific those parameters are known as smaller the uncertainty of this procedure
- The standard defines three uncertainty levels depending on used sensors, uncertainty calculation, etc.
- The calculation of Qestimate-sys,d follows the same logic. For more information, please refer to the standard.



### ISO 24194:2022 – Performance Check Method – boundary conditions

- No shadows on the collector field
- To limit uncertainties, it is important to give restrictions on the operation conditions for which the estimate is valid.
- Only measurement points are considered when the collector field is close to stable full power operation

Operation condition	Limits			Commente	
Operation condition	<u>Formula (1)</u>	Formula (2)	<u>Formula (3)</u>	Comments	
Shadows	No shadows			See <u>5.5</u>	
Change in collector mean temperature	≤5 K			To avoid big change in collector tem- perature during one hour	
Ambient temperature	≥5 °C			To avoid snow, ice, condensation on solar radiation sensors	
Wind velocity	≤10 m/s			To be measured so it is representative for the wind velocity 1 m to 3 m above highest point of collectors	
Ghem	≥800 W/m <sup>2</sup>	-	-		
G <sub>b</sub>	-	≥600 W/m <sup>2</sup>	≥600 W/m <sup>2</sup>		



### ISO 24194:2022 – Daily Yield Check Method– boundary conditions

- Shadows partly allowed, but must taken into consideration
- To limit uncertainties, it is important to give restrictions on the operation conditions for which the estimate is valid
- Only days in the summer half-year between 21.03. and 21.09. in the northern hemisphere and between 21.09. and 21.03. in the southern hemisphere at latitudes ≥ 25° shall be used.

Operation condition	Limits	Comments
Shadows	Only shading losses of the collec- tor rows taken into account are permitted	Shadows of collector rows are normal and are consid- ered in the calculation (see. <u>Formula (21)</u> )
Daily Irradiation H <sub>hem</sub>	≥5,5 kWh/m²	This restriction prevents inva- lid points
Total irradiance G <sub>hem</sub>	≥100 W/m²	Lower radiation not relevant



### ISO 24194:2022 – Performance Check Method – summery

- Simple procedure to check the power performance against an estimated power performance based on ISO 9806 parameters
- shows in a simple way whether field performance matches the expected performance
- the significance is unfortunately limited to peak power conditions
- Due to the selected boundary conditions, the field performance is only a good indicator of the field yield to a verry limited extent.
- The field behavior/energy output under different conditions is still unknown
- The required high irradiation (Ghem > 800W/m<sup>2</sup>) severely restricts the applicability, e.g. this limit can hardly be achieved in façade applications
- The method has been implemented into the open-source software SunPeek (<u>http://demo.sunpeek.org</u>), developed by AEE-Intec, Austria
- Within Task 68 Efficient Solar District Heating a Guide to ISO 24194 is currently under construction
- The mentioned restrictions has been recognized, and it is planed to open ISO 24194 for their next revision in 2024.



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# **The Solar Thermal Energy Plant of the Staatsbrauerei Rothaus AG**







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### Introduction

- founded in 1791 by a prince-abbot from St. Blasien Abbey
- a stock company since 1922 (with Baden-Württemberg as the only shareholder)
- 220 employees
- 65 mil. € annual revenue
- Annual energy consumption:
  - 6,800 MWh green electricity
  - 13,700 MWh thermal energy, of which
    9,500 MWh from renewable energy sources





### 2016 - 2020



– 1. Platz -

Rothaus Tannenzäpfle Biere

### Handelsblatt

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## Introduction



## Introduction

# "As a manufacturer of pure natural products, we are greatly interested in preservation of our environment and sustainable development."



### Content



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- Since 2002 Environment DIN EN ISO 14001
- Since 2015 Energy DIN EN ISO 50001
- WIN!Charta • Since 2018
- Since 2020 Klimabündnis Land BW
- Since 2030 Rothaus "climate positive"



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## Sustainability in Rothaus







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### Vent condenser and energy storage to heat up the wort in brewhouse











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**Solar thermal energy plant - Funding** 

- 45% of the calculated total costs of 1,070,000 € were approved by BAFA<sup>1</sup> as subsidy (482,000 €)
- Solar heat generation/production costs **without** subsidy are € 130/MWh for a 20-year term, **with** subsidy € 70/MWh





Solar thermal energy plant – key data

- 998 m<sup>2</sup> Gross collector area 206 vacuum tube collectors with 30 heat pipe tubes each
- Peak power ca. 400 kW
- Annual useful solar heat yield ca. 300 MWh
- Operating temp. energy storage 70-95 degrees Celsius
- Construction period April to October 2018



# Solar thermal energy plant – key data

Amounts of heat g	enerated and consumed		
	heat generation	heat consumption	Reduction of CO2
	MWh	MWh	t
Jan	2	1	C
Feb	10	8	3
Mar	31	29	g
Apr	32	29	g
May	40	38	12
Jun	47	45	14
Jul	50	47	15
Aug	51	44	14
Sept	24	21	7
Oct	17	15	5
Nov	3	2	1
Dec	3	1	C
total			
	310	280	89



## **Solar thermal energy – Heat Pipes**



Structure of an evacuated tube collector



## **Solar thermal energy – Heat Pipes**



### Structure of an evacuated tube collector



















## South-east side: 30° inclination







## South-east side: 30° inclination



West-side: 10° inclination and 25° rotation of the tubes





South-east facade



## **Solar thermal energy - Technology**

 Each collector field with controlled circulation pump, buffer tank and safety valve



## **Solar thermal energy - Technology**







### **Solar thermal energy - Technology** 821 VS01 821 TR01 821 TCR08 821 R CI 821 TIO3 821 R02 B21 SF 01 821 TI 01 B21 VH01 821 VH0. 821 VH04 821 TCR 02 821 TR 02 821 VH03 821 TI 02 821 SF 02 821 WT 01 🛶 821 P 01 821 FR 01 821 XR 01 B21 VK 01 B21 VK 02 821 COR 01 B21: Solare Trennstation

- Solar heat exchange module to transfer heat from the glycol side (solar collectors) to the water side (energy storage and consumption)
- Measurement of the solar heat generated





## Solar thermal energy plant - Storage








## Solar thermal energy plant - Storage





## Solar thermal energy plant - Storage







- Bottle washing machines of bottling plants 3 and 4 for cleaning of reusable bottles
- Bottling in 3-shift operation
- Ca. 50000 bottles per hour are cleaned here at temperatures of approx. 80°C with a 2% lye (alkaline solution)
- The alkaline solution is heated in a separate heat exchanger using solar thermal energy; if there is insufficient heat energy, the solution is additionally heated in the exchanger with steam





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- Heating of brewing water from the brewery's own sources for use in the brewhouse from 10°C to 70°C
  Existing hot water storage tanks enable the utilisation
- Existing hot water storage tanks enable the utilisation of the heat that is generated when bottling stands still, especially at weekends





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**Cost per Giga Joule** 

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## EXPANSION 2014

History P

Angel and Aldo were named entrepreneurs of the year by CNN Expansion magazine.



2014....

IP is consolidated as the best company that supplies solar thermal energy for the industrial and commercial sector



2017

The patent technology is obtained in Mexico and USA

## 2018 - 2020

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IS09001:2015 certification and recertification

## Forbes 2021

First Mexican and Latin American company to sign solar steam sale agreement (PPA)

# More than 12 years of experience...





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### INVENTIVE POWER, S.A.P.I. DE C.V.

for the following scope: ition and Maintenance of Denian, Manufacture, Com zation, Insta Energy Generation Systems with Solar Energy for its Operations in México

Quality Management System

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# Leaders in the energy sector













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Annual CO2 reduction











# Our Solar Tecnology IT IS SUPERIOR to the available in the market

We generate hot water and steam from 50°C to 250°C

> **PATENTS: Mexico: MX/A/2012/003407 - PCT/MX2013/000022 United States: US 2015/0122309 A1**



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### **Heat Purchase Agreement**



liters /LP Gas





### **Solar Steam Sale Agreement**

## Solar Production 100% Sustainable



# Lagos de Moreno, Jalisco.



# Extension of Photovoltaic system











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## Solar Steam Generation





# We contribute to environmental care



Ton of CO2 emissions

122,400

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Removing Cars from the streets



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## Hot water for process









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## **Boiler Pre-Heating**







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### Thermal Energy Storage and Solar Thermal Process Heat Integration

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### **Thermal storage - Motivation and benefits**

Offering the de-coupling of heat supply and heat demand

### Thermal Storage ...

- ... is the cheapest energy storage technology
- ... makes use of abundant materials
- ... has a low carbon footprint

### The de-coupling of heat supply and heat demand is ...

- ... enabling an increased share of fluctuating renewable heat sources, e.g. solar thermal
- ... facilitating the use of surplus heat recovery for re-use on demand
- ... offering to store cheap off-peak electricity as thermal energy via power-to-heat directly to (high temperature) heat storage
- ... using flexible cost of energy supply, e.g. variable electricity tariffs
- ... providing peak-shaving of electrical and thermal loads
- ... contributing to grid stability and reducing grid congestion
- ... offering additional backup heat supply to support robust operation





...

### **Thermal Energy Storage Concepts**









## Technology Overview

Thermal storage

	Regenerator	Regenerator	Molten Salt	Ruths	Phase Change Material	Liquid Metal	Hot Water
Storage Material	Ceramics	Natural Rock	Nitrate Salt (molten)	Pressurized Water	Nitrate Salts, Aluminium,	ZrSiO4,	Water
Energy density in kWh/m <sup>3</sup>	75 - 200	75 - 200	75 - 200	up to 100	50 - 200	75 - 200	60-80
Max. Capacity	1000 MWh	23 MWh	4500 MWh	30 MWh	500 MWh	100 kWh	scalable
Typ. Temperatures	400-1600 °C	200-800 °C	170-560 °C	150-230 °C	130-330 °C	100-700 °C	< 280°C
Typ. Heat Transfer Fluids	Gases	Gases	Salt	Water/Steam	Steam	Lead/Bismuth	Water
Investment cost TES in €/kWh	15 – 40	-	15 – 70	70 – 300	40 - 80	Not known	25-30
Maturity (TRL)	6 – 9	4 – 5	4 – 9	8 – 9	4 – 5	3 – 4	9



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### Main Components of a SHIP system

Thermal Energy Storage (TES)

- Heat storage is required for mismatch between thermal energy supply and energy demand
- Commonly used TES are based on water:
  - Relatively inexpensive
- Different types of TES are available:
  - Pressurized or non pressurized (atmospheric)
  - With internal or external heat exchanger






Water Storage

**Unpressurized Tmax < 90°C** 

**Pressurized Tmax > 90°C** 

**Steel vessels with insulation** 

The standard solution for solar process heat systems is water storage

Other fluids are thermal oil and molten salt for higher temperatures





Water Storage

Example: Copper mine "Gabriela Mistral", Chile, non-pressurized water storage

Storage volume: 4300 m<sup>3</sup>

Collector field area: 39,300 m<sup>2</sup> FPC

Solar fraction: 85-100%

electro winning of copper

electrolyte kept at 50°C

cleaning processes







Water Storage

Example: Brewery Göss, Austria, large pressurized water storage (200 m<sup>3</sup>)







Steam Storage

#### **Ruths Storage**

Steam charging and steam discharging

Pressurized water/steam in the tank

High investment cost due to expensive pressure vessel

Very expensive option for large-scale / high-pressure applications



Ruths storage (©DLR)





Steam Storage

- Latent heat storage with Phase Change Material PCM
- Traditional approach: Finned tube configuration
- Heat transport from HTF into PCM with low conductivity ( $\lambda$ =0,5 W/mK )
  - $\rightarrow$ Large heat exchanger area required
- Fins from graphite / aluminium
- high costs, further R&D necessary







### **Challenges and Oportunities for Latent Heat Storage**

Challenges:

- Not matching well with heat transfer fluids without phase change
- Low heat conductivity in solid state → large heat exchanger surface area required
- Identification of phase change materials with good long term stability
- Lack of suppliers with commercial solutions
- Cost of materials

Opportunities:

Potential of compact solution

Latent Heat Storage (Phase Change Material, PCM)





### Screw heat exchanger (SHX) module



Screw heat exchanger (SHX) with direct steam input / output through central heilces

Novel concept for **de-coupling of storage capacity and thermal power** was proven in lab-scale

Charging procedure: Steam passes through center of helices, melting up eutectic salt mixture

Discharging procedure: Liquid salt "poured" over the helices produces steam from pressurized water passing through the center of the helices



Established technology – Molten Salt Storage for Concentrating Solar Power Plants

Globally installed capacity: > 21 GWh [1]

Salt mixture: 60% NaNO3, 40% KNO3

Temperature range: 290°C - 565°C





## **Evolution of molten salt storages**

The path to lower cost?

Two-tank indirect

- Temperature loss due two double HX
- Temp. limited by oil
- One tank always empty



#### Two-tank **direct**

- Molten salt also in collector
- Higher temp. possible
- Less T loss & equipment



Single thermocline tank

- One tank less
- Possible integration of HX
- Additional use of filler material reduces amount of salt





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#### **Thermal Energy Storage**

Potential Roles in Industrial Applications

- Storage of heat from solar thermal collectors
- Storage of waste heat for use at a later time or at a different location
- Storage of heat in a Power-to-Heat (P2H) application
- Storage of heat in a Power-to-Heat-to-Power (P2H2P) application (Carnot Battery)

• ...



Solid State Storage – The Choice of many Solution Providers

#### Advantages:

- Low cost of materials
- Easy handling of materials (non-toxic, non-flammable)
- Robustness
- High temperatures >700 °C are achievable
- No risk of freezing
- Storage shell not pressurized

#### **Disadvantages / Challenges:**

- Low energy density of heat transfer fluid potentially leading to high parasitic losses and large equipment
- Additional heat exchange from heat transfer fluid to storage medium



Example for a Waste Heat to Power Application

#### Site: Bayreuth, Germany

Waste Heat Storage and Supply to ORC-Cycle

Capacity: 1.5 MWh

Storage material: Silica Sand

Max allowable operation temperature: 600 °C

Commissioning: 2015

Aim: Technology demonstration





Example for Direct Steam Generation from Storage

#### Site: Porsgrunn, Norway

Integration in steam supply of fertilizer factory

Capacity: 4 MWh

Storage material: Concrete

Max allowable operation temp. / pressure: 420 °C / 100+ bar

Min operation pressure: 1 bar / 100 °C

Planned commissioning: Q2/2022

Aims:

- Prevention of excess steam dumping
- Reducing need for hot standby boilers
- Flexible and instant steam provision



Source: EnergyNest



# **Project example: Thermal energy storage integration**

Heat recovery in ceramics industry

#### Aim:

Development and optimization of cost-effective storage material and demonstration in industrial application

#### Scope:

- Development and optimization of filler materials
- Combination with various heat transfer fluids (oil, molten salt, air)
- Compatibility testing
- Technology selection
- Storage integration

Partners:

- Kraftblock GmbH
- Comet Schleifscheiben GmbH
- Fraunhofer ISE



30 kWh lab prototype with molten salt



0.9MWh demonstrator using air (© KraftBlock)



Installation of additional sensors on site



Crucibles and samples for compatibility testing



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# **Prefeasibility and Feasibility Procedures**

General procedure

#### **Definition of solar process heat potential**

Pre-evaluation

Identification of possible integration points

Technical analysis

Economic analysis

**Recommendation for solar integration** 





### **Typical Approach**





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## **Prefeasibility and Feasibility Procedures**

Pre-Assessment

Aim: Evaluation of potential for solar process heat





## **Prefeasibility and Feasibility Procedures**

Feasibility Study





#### **Decarbonization of Industrial Processes – Three Levels**

Renewable Energy Technology					
Replacement of fossil fuel based energy production by renewables	Energy integration		on	and Economic Optimum	
	heat recovery on system level	reduce energy consumption of each operating unit and building			



### **Prefeasibility and Feasibility Procedures**

Efficiency First!

#### **Typical measures:**

- Thermal insulation of components
- Reduction of temperatures/pressures
- Replace steam networks with hot water networks
- Process integration (internal use of waste heat)  $\rightarrow$  ideally derived from pinch analysis
- Waste heat utilization (e.g. from compressors)

Non-heat related:

- Efficient lighting (LED)
- Variable speed drives for fans, pumps



# **Prefeasibility and Feasibility Procedures**

Conclusion

#### Steps 8-9

Decision and detailed planning





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Classification

#### Solar heat (steam or hot water) can be integrated into

- heat distribution network •
- different processes •





Supply Level Integration

Solar heat supply to all processes through heat distribution network (mostly steam networks and hot water networks)

Options:

- Make-up water pre-heating and/or condensate pre-heating(1/3)
- Steam generation to directly feed steam network
  (2)
- Pre-heating of boiler feed water (4)





**Process Level Integration** 

Solar heat directly supplied to process

- Particularly interesting for processes that require low temperature heat (until 100 °C)
- Typically, lower temperatures than supply level
  →Lower thermal losses lead to higher solar gains per square meter

Drawback:

- High dependency on changes in the process
- Potentially high fluctuation in demand





Process Level - Example

Possible applications:

- Heating of cleaning or process water
- Heating of galvanic baths
- Heating of drying air





Criteria for Process or Supply Level Integration

Criteria	Process level	Supply level	
Detailed process data	Required	Not needed	
Preliminary process integration analysis	Essential	Generally recommended	
Flexibility to adapt to later changes in processes	Low	High	
Collector efficiency	Potentially higher	Usually lower	
Solar heat contribution potential	Restricted	Usually higher	
Heat storage necessity	Depends on the profile of the selected process stream(s)	Not necessary if not exceeding the base load of the utility	



Integration of Solar Heat in Industrial Applications



[1] Muster B. et al.: Integration Guideline, IEA TASK 49, Technical Report B2, 2015



#### **Integration Concepts** Examples

#### SL\_S\_PI

Indirect solar steam generation





#### **Integration Concepts** Examples

#### $\mathsf{SL}\_\mathsf{S}\_\mathsf{MW}$

Solar heating of make-up water





#### **Integration Concepts** Examples

#### PL\_E\_PM

External HEX for heating of product or process medium



[1]



Most favorable integration points

#### **Selection of integration point**

- Low temperature level -> higher efficiency
- High temperature difference (feed & return) -> better storage utilization & efficiency
- Continuous load profile (preferably 7 days a week, limited fluctuations) -> higher efficiency
- Easy connection to existing system -> lower cost
- Existing storage can be used -> lower cost



Layout - Pre-heating of make-up water



- Example: Small laundry
- High solar gains because of low temperature level



#### Return flow temperature lift





Layout - Solar Heating of Industrial Bath



#### Closed process: Economics highly depend on the bath temperature

The electrical heater is used for temperature control


## **Integration Concepts**

Layout - Convective drying with hot air

Exemplary system concept of an open drying process. The open air collector system is serially supported by a boiler (solar blower left, conventional blower right)





## **Integration aspects: Load profiles**

- Load profile for heat supply will influence design and integration
- Dependency of industrial load profiles on ambient temperatures has a significant impact  $\rightarrow$  clustering w.r.t. seasonality
- Different industrial sectors have different "typical" load profiles / clusters





# Integration aspects: Hybridisation with Heat Pumps

Integration concepts of ST+HP systems (low temperature)

- Hydraulics based on work of EnPro Project (AEE-INTEC, AT) in parallel / in series
- Performance similar for all integration concepts  $\rightarrow$  case by case assessment recommended
- Not considered: solar collectors as direct source for HP



source: Univ. Kassel / temperature levels 80/60°C /





# **Integration aspects: Hybridisation ST with Heat Pumps**

Sizing of Heat Pump System

•  $\dot{Q}_{HP} > 0.4..0.5 \ \dot{Q}_{demand,p}$ : >90 % of heat demand covered



Jesper et al. 2022, https://doi.org/10.1016/j.seja.2023.100034



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#### **ECOTHERM SOLAR – REFERENCES**

# **GIVAUDAN IBÉRICA, S.A.**





#### CHEMICAL FACTORY

Location: Sant Celoni (BARCELONA) Size: 800m<sup>2</sup> Commissioning: 2023 Status: Operational & Testing HTF: Steam at 20 barg Steam at 12 barg



#### **ECOTHERM SOLAR – REFERENCES**



# **GIVAUDAN IBÉRICA, S.A.**





#### **ECOTHERM SOLAR – INTEGRATION**



## **INTEGRATION FOR STEAM GENERATION**







## Naked Energy.

virtu<sup>PVT</sup>

Hybrid solar collector producing power and heat up to 75°C / 167°F

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Solar collector producing heat up to 120°C / 248°F



Solar steam for industries

Process Heat Application for CST Technologies System Integration, Design, Performance Assessment

# LINEAR FRESNEL PROJECT

## Indirect steam generation













# LINEAR FRESNEL PROJECT

Indirect steam generation







REPSOL









Steam for an Industrial Plant

Application study

#### System Overview





#### Site Information



Monthly direct normal irradiation averages (kWh/m2)



#### Calculated Solar Generated Steam Output at 18 Bar 209.8°C (kg per hour)

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
0 - 1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1-2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2 - 3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3 - 4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
4 - 5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
5 - 6	0	0	0	17	253	666	374	50	0	0	0	0
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7 - 8	132	385	1282	1650	2200	2805	2910	2607	2261	1551	693	138
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23 - 24	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sum (steam kg/day)	17372	19319	24611	26278	32736	41410	45310	40431	33517	26124	20095	15672
Sum (steam kg/month)	538,522	545,761	762,935	788,327	1,014,802	1,242,312	1,404,625	1,253,368	1,005,500	809,829	602,838	485,829
Sum (steam kg/year)	10,454,649											



#### Application



Ultimate goal is to supply facility with solar powered steam.

However, we will take two smaller steps.

- 1. Introducing a little bit of heat to existing system to heat the return water.
- 2. Hybrid system where solar powered steam generation is decreasing load on existing gas powered steam generator.
- 3. The large storage is optional, but a little bit of storage is essential to decrease thermal shock effects. (as a capacitor or inductor on an electronic circuit)



### Facility picture





#### Real Life System Photos



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De-gasor feed pump





Goes to Supply Tank

#### Real Life System Photos - Gas Burner





#### Application Step 1

Elevating water temperature using a small heat exchanger to eliminate/decrease degasifier steam supply



Case to study: Increase water temperature at condensation tank outlet



#### Application Step 2

#### Hybrid steam generation



Case to study: Combining gas burning boiler and kettle type reboiler





# Economic Assessment

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> See also Solar Payback Guideline: https://www.solar-payback.com/download/ship-guidelinesfor-feasibility-performance-optimisation-and-design/



# **Cash Flow Model**

Inflows / Outflows

Regular approach for long-lasting, high productive real assets





Inflow

### Annual energy yield

Forecast derived from simulations



Conventional energy cost

- Vary widely (type of fuel, between industries, regional, high temporal voltility)
- Affected by energy price inflation

Revenue from saved energy = Inflow



**Outflow - Investment Costs** 

### planning, material, components, installation

### **Broad variation**

Steam < Thermal oil Water Air Heat Transfer Medium < < \$ Process temperature Up to 40°C more than 120° < Collector technology \$ Stationary tracking < System's complexity Effort of connection & integration Demand profile Up to 50 m<sup>2</sup> > 50-100 m<sup>2</sup> > 100-500 m<sup>2</sup> > 500-1000 m<sup>2</sup> \$ System's size



Outflow - Operating Costs

### **Comperatively low**

- Auxiliary for pumps & control is minimal
- Technical & commercial management is not required
- Regular maintanance & monitoring! -> 0.5 to 1% of the investment costs per year



Outflow - Capital Costs

- interest rates payable to (debt) lenders
- required equity returns expected by (equity) investors

→Country specific risk

- Political stability
- Protection of investor's property
- Public debt rate
- Credit rating





[1] RENAC, 2017. Solar Payback: Interim Report: A financial business model for industrial solar thermal energy supplementation



# Economic Assessment Parameters - KPIs



## **Assessment parameters - KPIs**

- Payback time (static, dynamic)
- Internal rate of return (IRR)
- Net present value (NPV)
- Levelized cost of heat (LCoH)

### SHIP characteristic:

### fundamentally different temporal cost distribution compared to conventional heat generation technologies:

- High costs at beginning
- Low operational costs
- $\rightarrow$  Risk assessment has high impact on investment decision



## **Driving forces**

### The implementation of a SHIP system usually is driven by the following:

- Reducing carbon emissions
- Replace uncertain future conventional operational heat costs by well-known initial investment costs
- Reduction of risks associated with increasingly volatile and rising fuel prices
- $\rightarrow$  Long-term cost stabilization



# **Assessment parameters - KPIs**

Payback time

- Time required to recover the cost of investment
- The lower the payback time the better
- Relates investment cost to annual cash flows
- $\rightarrow$  Easy to understand
- $\rightarrow$  Risk evaluation Indicator <u>not</u> Profit Indicator!

Simple Payback vs. Discounted Payback


Net present value (NPV)

Future capital flows will be discounted to the year of investment:

$$NPV = I_0 + \sum_{t=1}^{n} \frac{C_t}{(1+i)^t}$$

where:

 $I_0$  = the initial capital investment in Period t=0 (<0)

 $C_t$  = net cash flow in each subsequent period

*i* = discount rate

n = number of analysis periods





Net present value (NPV)

### Inflows and Outflows will be discounted to the year of investment



#### → Indicator for total benefit during life time of the investment!



Internal Rate of Return (IRR)

IRR is interest rate for which NPV equals zero!





Internal Rate of Return (IRR)

### **Project IRR**

#### Inflow:

full amounts of money needed in project

#### **Outflow:**

cash generated by project

#### Assumption:

No debt was used for the project

### **Equity IRR**

#### Inflow:

required cash flows – debt

#### Outflow:

Cash flows from project – interest & debt repayment

#### "leveraged" version of IRR



Levelized Cost of Heat (LCoH)



#### ightarrow Good for comparison of different energy sources



Levelized Cost of Heat (LCoH) - Reference

For comparison, the levelised (discounted) cost of the conventional system for the same amount of heat has to be considered.

$$LCOH_{sol} = \frac{I_0 + \sum_{t=1}^{T} \frac{OM + Taxpay}{(1+i)^t}}{\sum_{t=1}^{T} \frac{M_{t,th}}{(1+i)^t}} \quad \text{vs.} \quad LCOH_{ref} = \frac{\sum_{t=1}^{T} \frac{M_{t,th} \cdot Cost_{fuel,t}}{(1+i)^t}}{\sum_{t=1}^{T} \frac{M_{t,th}}{(1+i)^t}} \quad \text{[1]}$$

#### $\rightarrow$ If incentives are included is a matter of investment assessment perspective

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## Summary

### Several KPI exist for economic evaluation

- Risk  $\rightarrow$  Paybacktime
- Rate of return  $\rightarrow$  IRR
- Total return of investment  $\rightarrow$  Net present value
- Cost of Heat  $\rightarrow$  LCOH

### All of them are important to get a complete picture of the economic feasibility



# Solar Payback Online Calculator

#### https://www.solar-payback.com/calculator

#### **Online Calculator**

The Solar Payback Online Calculator provides a simplified way for 5 cities in different regions in each country to assess the economics of heat production with conventional fuels in comparison to solar thermal based heating alternative. You can either use default technical / economic values or insert your own values for most of the calculations. For further explanations, please go to the TOOL MANUAL.

Please note: The Calculator might not be supported by all (versions of) browsers. In this case, please fall back on Google Chrome.

[Open Online Calculator in New Window to Print]

#### Solar Payback Online Calculator







Exercise:

https://oc.ise.fraunhofer.de/index.php/s/EjD67TAYg3vc7wf?path=%2FOnline%20Calculator%20Exercise# pdfviewer

Excel File to insert results:

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1z8cWD4cwhz-2r0y8Exl4FAWuwFlbpBzQu07QYTfGMhM/edit?usp=sharing



# **Results** Task 1a - Daytime

FPC	Spec. storage size [l/m²]	Spec Solar yield [MWh/(m²ye ar)]	Collector aperture area [m²]	Storage size [m³]	Invest cost [ZAR]	NPV project margin [ZAR]	Project IRR [%]	Simple Payback [years]	Discounted Payback [years]	Solar LCOH [ZAR/MWh]	Current LCOH [ZAR/MWh]	CoC [%]
	25	0.535	299.1	7.5	2357682	776315	19.1	5.1	11	2994	3721	14.8
	50	0.589	271.6	13.6	2250798	881261	19.9	4.9	10.2	2889	3721	14.8
	75	0.624	256.4	19.2	2279263	853313	19.7	4.9	10.4	2917	3721	14.8
	100	0.652	245.4	24.5	2329448	804037	19.3	5	10.7	2966	3721	14.8

ETC	Spec. storage size [l/m²]	Spec Solar yield [MWh/(m²ye ar)]	Collector aperture area [m²]	Storage size [m³]	Invest cost [ZAR]	NPV project margin [ZAR]	Project IRR [%]	Simple Payback [years]	Discounted Payback [years]	Solar LCOH [ZAR/MWh]	Current LCOH [ZAR/MWh]	CoC [%]
	25	0.761	210.2	5.3	1657503	1458728	25.6	3.5	6	2314	3721	14.8
	50	0.825	193.9	9.7	1684945	1432134	25.3	3.6	6.2	2340	3721	14.8
	75	0.876	182.6	13.7	1623584	1491600	26.1	3.4	5.8	2281	3721	14.8
	100	0.918	174.3	17.4	1654467	1461670	25.7	3.5	5.9	2311	3721	14.8









# **Results** Task 1a - Daytime

ETC	Spec. storage size [l/m²]	Spec Solar yield [MWh/(m²ye ar)]	Collector aperture area [m²]	Storage size [m³]	Invest cost [ZAR]	NPV project margin [ZAR]	Project IRR [%]	Simple Payback [years]	Discounted Payback [years]	Solar LCOH [ZAR/MWh]	Current LCOH [ZAR/MWh]	CoC [%]
	25	0.284	563.4	14.085	3929282	-804785	11.9	8	19	4558	3721	14.8
	50	0.516	310.1	15.505	2569225	568607	17.7	5.5	12.8	3201	3721	14.8
	75	0.693	230.9	17.3175	2052323	1076099	21.5	4.4	8.6	2695	3721	14.8
	100	0.826	193.7	19.37	1838741	1283086	23.5	3.9	7.1	2489	3721	14.8









# **Results** Task 2a – Supply Level

РТС	Spec. storage size [l/m²]	Spec Solar yield [MWh/(m²ye ar)]	Collector aperture area [m²]	Storage size [m³]	Invest cost [ZAR]	NPV project margin [ZAR]	Project IRR [%]	Simple Payback [years]	Discounted Payback [years]	Solar LCOH [ZAR/MWh]	Current LCOH [ZAR/MWh]	CoC [%]
	25	0.802	498.8	12.5	5361534	2463802	20.7	4.6	9.3	2786	3721	14.8
	50	0.861	464.6	23.2	5274448	2549310	21	4.5	9	2752	3721	14.8
	75	0.906	441.5	33.1	5278863	2544975	21	4.5	9	2753	3721	14.8
	100	0.944	423.7	42.4	5322033	2502587	20.8	4.6	9.2	2770	3721	14.8

I E D	Spec. storage size	Spec Solar yield [MWh/(m²ye	Collector aperture	Storage size	Invest cost	NPV project margin	Project IRR	Simple Payback	Discounted Payback	Solar LCOH	Current LCOH	CoC [9/1
LFIN	[I/m²]	ar)]	area [m²]	[m <sup>2</sup> ]	[ZAR]	[ZAR]	[%]	[years]	[years]			しのし [%]
	25	0.692	578	14.5	5627298	2202856	19.9	4.9	10.2	2890	3721	14.8
	50	0.752	531.9	26.6	5499255	2328578	20.3	4.7	9.7	2840	3721	14.8
	75	0.797	501.9	37.6	5491581	2336113	20.3	4.7	9.7	2837	3721	14.8
	100	0.831	481.3	48.1	6045728	1792012	18.7	5.2	11.5	3053	3721	14.8



# **Results** Task 2a – Supply Level





## **Results** Task 2b – Critical CO2 tax

## With 120 ZAR/t<sub>CO2,eq</sub>

- IRR: 13.7%
- NPV project margin : -400875 ZAR

## With 700 ZAR/t<sub>CO2,eq</sub>

- IRR: 14.8%
- NPV project margin: 13449 ZAR



# **Results**

Task 2c – Critical interest rate

#### With 11.97%

- CoC: 14.8%
- IRR: 13.7%
- NPV project margin : -400875 ZAR

#### With 8.5%

- CoC: 13.6%
- IRR: 13.7%
- NPV project margin: 40024 ZAR





#### 06. Nov. 2023:

- Diesel Price: 26.28 ZAR/I (<u>https://de.globalpetrolprices.com/South-Africa/diesel\_prices/</u>)
- CO2 tax: 144 ZAR/I

→Solar LCOH 3342 : 6773 ZAR/MWh Current LCOH → 1:2 !
→IRR: 34.3%
→Discounted Payback: 3,6 years



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# **Techno-Economic Optimization**

Peter Schöttl, Shahab Rohani SFERA-III Training for Industries: CST4SHIP Freiburg, Nov 9, 2023 www.ise.fraunhofer.de

> See also Solar Payback Guideline: https://www.solar-payback.com/download/ship-guidelinesfor-feasibility-performance-optimisation-and-design/

# **Digital CST toolchain**

Design, simulation and optimization





# System simulation with ColSimCSP



## **System simulation** Software complexity





# Col**Sim** Dynamic system simulation

#### Modeling

- Thermo-hydraulic plug-flow model
- Transient simulation with thermal inertia
- Comprehensive component library
- Easily extensible
- Complex plant layouts
- Drag&Drop GUI

#### Performance

- Numbers crunching in C++
- Low simulation time, small simulation time steps
- Parallelization for parameter studies
- Annual simulations for thousands of cases

#### Variable level of detail

Screenshot of ColSim GUI





# Col**Sim** Solar Tower modeling

date: May 31, time: 06:00:00 DNI: 0.0, max. conc.: 0.0 max. bulk temp.: 250.0 degC, max. film temp.: 196.6 degC, max. surface temp.: 196.2 degC



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Transient operation of external receiver with aiming and defocusing strategies System similar to Noor-3, Ouarzazate, 70'000 heliostats, 600 MW<sub>th</sub> receiver



# Col**Sim** Solar Tower modeling

date: May 31, time: 12:00:00 DNI: 898.0, max. conc.: 464.7 max. bulk temp.: 567.1 degC, max. film temp.: 594.8 degC, max. surface temp.: 619.3 degC - 640 T<sub>fluid</sub> - 590 - 540 [ 490 ] 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 - 440 T<sub>film</sub> T<sub>surf</sub> 340 290 **Q**<sub>abs</sub> North South East West North

Transient operation of external receiver with aiming and defocusing strategies System similar to Noor-3, Ouarzazate, 70'000 heliostats, 600 MW<sub>th</sub> receiver







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# Col**Sim** Solar field modeling



Modeling of individual Collector Modules and Loops in large-scale Parabolic Trough solar fields Local DNI and soiling maps based on measurements





# Simulation Model: CST Integration for Solar Process Heat



## **Base scenario**

Rules of thumb: solar field size

#### **Base parameters/assumptions:**

- Site: Seville
- $DNI_{ann} = 2348 \, kWh/(m^2a)$
- Annual average collector efficiency  $\eta_{ann} = 45\%$
- Nominal heat demand  $\dot{Q}_{dem,nom} = 30 MW$
- Demand profile: flat
- Annual heat demand  $Q_{dem,ann} = P_{nom} \cdot 8760 = 262.8 \, GWh$
- Target solar fraction  $F_{sol} = \frac{Q_{sol}}{Q_{dem,ann}} = 40\%$
- Collector type: Eurotrough,  $A_{ap,coll} = 817.36m^2$

#### Calculation of solar field aperture area:

Solar field aperture area

$$A_{ap,SF} = \frac{Q_{dem,ann} \cdot F_{sol}}{DNI_{ann} \cdot \eta_{ann}} = 99500 \ m^2$$

#### Assuming 10 collectors per loop:

• Number of loops  $n_{loops} = \frac{A_{ap,SF}}{A_{ap,coll} \cdot 10} \approx 12$ 

# Note: solar field aperture area << solar field space requirements!



## **Base scenario**

Rules of thumb: storage size

#### **Base parameters/assumptions:**

- Two-tank storage
- Target storage duration:  $t_{storage} = 16h$
- Storage medium properties:
  - Specific enthalpies  $h_{hot}$ ,  $h_{cold}$
  - Density *ρ*

#### Calculation of storage size

- Tank energy:  $Q_{tank} = P_{nom} \cdot F_{sol} \cdot t_{storage} = 192 MWh$
- Tank volume:  $V_{tank} = \frac{m_{fluid}}{\rho_{fluid}} = \frac{Q_{tank}}{\rho_{fluid} \cdot (h_{hot} h_{cold})} = 3875 \ m^3$


























Base Scenario: Summer/Winter Comparison and Annual Assessment



Summer, load profile: flat



summer, load profile: flat



Winter, load profile: flat



winter, load profile: flat



Summer, load profile: daily



summer, load profile: daily

Winter, load profile: daily



winter, load profile: daily



Summer, load profile: weekly



summer, load profile: weekly



Winter, load profile: weekly



winter, load profile: weekly

#### **Annual assessment**

#### Nominal design, flat load profile

- Weekly integrals
  - Solar field yield Q<sub>SF</sub>
  - Back-up heater yield Q<sub>BUH</sub>
  - Direct normal irradiation DNI
- Solar fraction: 48.6%
- Solar field yield roughly correlates with DNI
- Summer-winter difference more pronounced for solar field yield





## Techno-Economic Optimization Study: Solar Field and Storage Size



### **Dimensioning of components**

Solar field size



Low demand

**SMALL** 

- Small storage (no/low shift of solar gain to nighttime)
- High solar irradiation
- Low temperature level
  - → Lower thermal losses & higher efficiency

- High demand
- Large storage (shift of solar gain to nighttime)
- Low solar irradiation
- High temperature level
  - → Higher thermal losses & lower efficiency



LARGE

### **Dimensioning of components**

Storage size



- High temperature difference
  - → High storage capacity per volume
- Demand occurs during daytime
- Demand curve is stable

- Low temperature difference
  - $\rightarrow$  Low storage capacity per volume
- Demand occurs during nighttime
- Demand curve is fluctuating



### **Dimensioning of components**

Optimization problem





#### **Excursus: CSP/Solar Tower**

Solar/Optical/Thermal Multiple

#### Solar Multiple

$$SM = \frac{\dot{Q}_{SF}}{\dot{Q}_{load}} \bigg|_{\substack{design \\ point}} = OM \cdot TM$$

**Optical Multiple** 

$$OM = \frac{\dot{Q}_{HSF}}{\dot{Q}_{rec}} \bigg|_{\substack{design\\point}}$$

**Thermal Multiple** 

$$TM = \frac{\dot{Q}_{rec}}{\dot{Q}_{load}} \bigg|_{\substack{design\\point}}$$





#### **Excursus: CSP/Solar Tower**

Solar/Optical/Thermal Multiple



and Thermal Multiple (TM) for a Solar Tower plant in Chile



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### Financing and using incentives/funding programmes for SHIP

Some aspects / inputs from the IEA SHC/SolarPACES Task 64/IV

Subtask E "Guideline to Market" - non-technical barriers / issues
 Co-lead Subtask E by Peter Nitz, Fraunhofer ISE

Funding programmes and incentives

- Financing Re-cap of online Workshop Oct 5, 2023
- Outlook: Report on SHIP Value proposition, Cost, Business models, Financing (in preparation in Task 64/IV, Subtask E)

source: Peter Nitz / Fraunhofer ISE, Wolfgang Gruber-Glatzl, Jürgen Fluch / AEE-INTEC IEA SHC Task 64 Subtask E "Guideline to Market", <u>https://task64.iea-shc.org/</u>

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### Funding / incentives programmes for SHIP

Some aspects / inputs from the IEA SHC/SolarPACES Task 64/IV

- Deliverable report D.E1, April 2021
- Available at <u>https://task64.iea-shc.org/</u>
- Recommendation of Task Expert Group:
- Strong favour to implement incentives
- Strong preference for CAPEX funding programmes as compared to other funding mechanisms
- Quick feedback from the participants group:
   Do you agree to the recommendations? → yes ☺

source: Peter Nitz / Fraunhofer ISE, Wolfgang Gruber-Glatzl, Jürgen Fluch / AEE-INTEC IEA SHC Task 64 Subtask E "Guideline to Market", <u>https://task64.iea-shc.org/</u> SCLAR HERIKE & CODING PROCESSING



Collection of available solar process heat related national and trans-national research and funding programs

Subtask E "Guideline to Market" Deliverable Report D.E1

IEA SHC TASK 64 | IEA SolarPACES Task 4 | Solar Process Heat

Technology Collaboration Programme







#### Update on Activities E1/E3 - Deliverable DE.1 "Collection of available solar process heat related national and trans-national research and funding programs"

- Survey concluded (only) 18 responses from 32 countries approached
- DE.1 Final version, April 2021, published on Task Website



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#### Addressing the financing sector – Webinar Oct 5, 2023 "Financing Solutions for SHIP projects"

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- Adressed mainly to the financial sector
- Invitation distributed through
  - Task Experts,
  - Industry Associations,
  - personal contacts to the financial sector
- Organised via Platforms of AEE INTEC
  - Presentations: <u>https://www.aee-intec.at/webinar-financing-</u> <u>solutions-for-solar-heat-in-industrial-processes-</u> <u>ship-projects-downloads-339</u>
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- 63 registrations / 32 participants / 79 watched recordings on YouTube



#### **Agenda - Financing Solutions for Solar Heat in Industrial Processes (SHIP) Projects**

- Welcome, Introduction and Moderation Peter Nitz, Fraunhofer ISE, Germany, www.ise.fraunhofer.de
- SHIP technologies and best practice examples **Christoph Brunner**, CEO of AEE INTEC – Research Institution on Sustainable Technologies, Austria, www.aee-intec.at
- Financing models for SHIP projects **Winfried Braumann**, Founder and CEO of REENAG – Project development and financing of renewable energy and energy efficiency, Austria, www.reenag.com
- Experiences on financing small-scale decarbonisation projects on cash-flow basis Download Presentations https://www.aee-intec.at/webinar-financing-

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• Q&A and open discussion

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Webinar - Financing Solutions for Solar Heat in Industrial Processes (SHIP) Projects IEA Task 64



Eine Investmentholding für Erneuerbare Energie

#### Financing models for SHIP projects – summary Winfried Braumann



## Financing by asset owners

- Investments in production facilities including process heat supply have traditionally been carried out and financed by production companies themselves
- Financing requires equity by asset owner and debt financing (investment loans) from banks. Leasing financing is also possible.

All proven investment financing instruments are available for companies' own investments in renewable energy.

 Sellers can facilitate financing by offering trade credit (e.g. export credit)

# Financing by third parties

- For large projects, a separate project company can be founded, which realizes the project with equity and project loans.
- For smaller projects the instrument of forfaiting (long-term sale of receivables) can be used to refinance the debt capital it has raised.
- Also a joint venture of companies (e.g. within the framework of an energy community) can take on the role of thirdparty investor.



# Financing small-scale decarbonisation projects on cash flow basis – Solas Sustainable Energy Fund (SSEF)

#### Tailormade SSEF financing offering

Through sale of receivables structures no direct contractual relationship between end customer and SSEF required. **ESCO is the only face to the customer which fosters sales**.

Facility based financing offering. Pre-approval of end customers based on credit scoring of external credit data providers such as Bisnode/Dun & Bradstreet or Bureau van Dijk, which ESCO has access to. In consequence **bankability of end customers is checked in the beginning of the sales process.** 

#### Based on pre-agreed terms SSEF offers financing within the EU.

SSEF financing structures are **flexible and built around the ESCO's needs**. Depending on the specific contractual profile, asset collateral is not a pre-condition.

SSEF offers financing tenors **matching the** lifetime - up to 10 years financing tenor incl. SMEs and for selected projects, e.g. PV or public projects 15+ years.



Webinar - Financing Solutions for Solar Heat in Industrial Processes (SHIP)



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Financing solutions for SHIP projects – Webinar Oct 5, 2023



What do you (financial sector) need from the SHIP community?

transparency structured projects **Turnkey solutions** uniformity projects performance guarantee



What do you (the SHIP community) need from the financial sector?

# business cases scale solutions Streamlined procedures

trust in technology

financing options

### Outlook: Task 64/IV Subtask E Deliverable Report D.E2/E3 on SHIP Value proposition, Cost, Business models, Financing

- In preparation,
- Due end of 2023
- To be published on Task Website <u>https://task64.iea-shc.org/</u>
  - ~ Jan/Feb 2024

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## SHIP

## **Business Models & Financing Schemes**

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## Agenda

- Introduction
- Business Models
- Funding Programmes & Incentives
- Final Remarks





# Introduction



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## SHIP Market Prospects Summary



Several successful stories of implemented projects around the world



Diverse funds resources available for SHIP projects





Possible alternative for several segments of the industrial sector



High fossil fuels prices & climate commitments boost solar thermal market



Trending technologies for the last 15 years



## SHIP Market Prospects A dynamic market

# High level of dynamism on the SHIP world market in 2022

	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	Total until 2022
No. of SHIP systems	107	99	86	85	71	114	at least 1,089



Source: SolarThermalWorld

Stats of 2022 by technology type



# SHIP Project Value Chain Stakeholders

#### Industrial Companies

Industrial companies whose heat demand fits the range of application of solar thermal (i.e. the agro-food industry). They are the potential clients in the value-chain

#### **Energy/Heat Suppliers**

Companies that are supplying heat to their customers. They can also assume the role of facility operator

## Government, Policy Makers, European organizations and national institutions

Policy makers in charge of changing regulation related to renewable heat sources. They shape the environment within the different players evolved. They provide guidance for the development of less traditional systems



#### **Energy Consulting Companies**

Companies that help their customers make informed choices about their energy consumption/provisions. They can also assist them in the building phase

#### Solar Thermal Equipment Manufacturers or suppliers

Companies that manufacture the different types of solar thermal equipment

#### Third party investors

investment companies that specialises in the third-party financing of renewable heat production projects and energy efficiency projects.

#### EPC Contractors and O&M

Third party in charge to physically build the installation once materials and detailed design are provided. This role could be assumed by the equipments manufacturers or supplier



# **SHIP Project Launch** Sales engagement process flow







# **Business Models**



# **SHIP2FAIR Business Model** Business Model Options

### **Build & Handover Model**

- The industrial customer invests & operates the solar thermal system
- Optional operation & maintenance contract

## **Build & Operate Model**

SHIP project developer pays the investment cost, owns & operates the solar thermal system

The industrial partner buys solar heat

## Hybrid Model

- Like the Build & Operate model with one difference:
- After 10 or 15 years of operation the ownership of the solar thermal system is transferred to the industrial customer



## **SHIP2FAIR Business Model** Business Model – Build & Handover





# **SHIP2FAIR Business Model** Build & Handover: SHIP2FAIR Demo-sites

- Build
- Business
- Demonstrate (fine-tune)
- **model:** Transfer the ownership (\*not applied in RODA case)
  - O&M support agreement



## M&R, Turin, IT





RODA, La Rioja, ES





Jean Larnaudie, Castelnaudary, FR




# **SHIP2FAIR Business Model** Build & Handover: other examples

- Build
- **Business** Transfer of ownership
- **model:** O&M support agreement in place since 2017

#### JTI Jordan, Amman





# **SHIP2FAIR Business Model** Business Model – Build & Operate



Also known as: HPA - Heat Purchase Agreements

# SHIP2FAIR Business Model Build & Operate: Example of Solar District Heating

#### Dorkwerd project, Groningen, NL

SHIP2FAIR

Project developer:	Novar (Solarfields), NL		
Connected consumers:	10'000 citizens		
Annual solar share:	25% of heating needs		
Solar field:	Tech provider: TVP Solar Capacity: 37MW Heat delivery: 25GWh/y Size: 48'000 m2		



#### **Business model**

A Special Purpose Vehicle (SPV) was founded by the:

⇒ Project developer (Novar)

⇒ Investor (K3)

⇒ Technology provider (TVP Solar)

The SPV owns & operates the SDH system

A 30-year Heat Purchase Agreement (HPA) has been signed with local DHN operator (utility Warmtestad)



## Energy as a Service - ESCO





# SHIP2FAIR Business Model Business Model – Hybrid







# Funding Programmes & Incentives



# **Incentives for Solar Thermal** Overview of funding schemes in Europe

### European Funding Programmes

Innovation Fund
LIFE

*Type of funding*: grants as a % on the project eligible cost

## National/ Regional Funding Programmes / Subsidies

- Using national financial resources
- Using a mix of national & European financial resources

*Type of funding*: grants or subsidies on the capital expenditure, tax exemptions, loans under advantageous conditions, feed in tariffs, etc.



## **Incentives for Solar Thermal** The Innovation Fund





# **Incentives for Solar Thermal** National funding institutions – EU examples



#### **Further fundings for commercial and R&D projects**

IEA Task 64: Collection of available solar process heat related national and trans-national research and funding programs





# **Final Remarks**



## Business models in SHIP – Main challenges

- Planning is more complex (e.g. compared to photovoltaics)
- Data availability for good planning is often limited
- Excess production can not be sold & storage is limited & costly
- Fuel prices cause fluctuating cashflows



## Business models in SHIP – Economic advantages

- Addresses process heat (most relevant energy form)
- Highest conversion efficiencies (solar energy -> useful energy)
- No requirement for approval from grid operators
- Well-proven technology
- Fuel prices already increased over time & higher prices are expected
- Strong impact on CO2 emissions



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#### **Motivation for Energetic Process Optimization**

- Climate Protection
  - Reduction of CO2-Emission
- Cost Reduction
  - Reduction of energy related cost of production
- Risk Minimization
  - Reduction of the dependence on fossil energy ressources



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#### **Energy Optimization in the Context of Industrial Processes**

- How efficient is the relevant process?
- How big is the potential of heat recovery?
- What is the minimum heat demand of the processes?
- How can renewable energies be used in the process in an useful way?
- Where is the economic optimum of heat recovery measures and renewable energies?
- How can such an optimum be achieved?



#### **Energy Optimization in the Context of Industrial Processes**

Renewable Energy Technology			Energetic
Replacement of fossil	Energy integration		and Economic
fuel based energy production by renewables	sector coupling, heat recovery on system level	reduce energy consumption of each unit operation and building	Optimum

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#### **Approach: Energy Integration using the Pinch Method**

#### Systemic method for determining the optimal energy use and system design for thermal processes

- Economically optimal energy recovery approaches
- Energetically and economically sensible integration options for alternative energy technologies such as heat pumps, solar thermal energy, CHP, etc.
- Optimal configuration of thermal storage systems



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#### **Result of a Pinch Analysis**

- The minimum energy requirement if fully optimized integrated processes were in place
- Information on the maximum possible energy saving potential
- Economically optimized heat recovery and energy supply
- Correct integration of building heating as a waste heat user, heat pumps, solar thermal energy, CHP, etc.
- Catalog of measures with cost/benefit analysis (payback per measure)
- Strategic planning of implementation ("You don't mess anything up")
- Reduction in energy demand typically 10-40%



#### **Introduction Pinch Method**

- Method for determining the heat recovery potential of (originally) continuous and (now also) discontinuous batch processes
- Requires detailed knowledge of the heating and cooling requirements of all energy-relevant processes
- Each flow is defined by mass flow, specific heat capacity and necessary inlet and outlet temperatures





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#### **Introduction Pinch Method**





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#### **Introduction Pinch Method- Example**



- Consideration of all flows to be heated up (cold streams)
- Consideration of all to be cooled down (hot streams)

#### Design of the Composite Curve

- Mapping of all heat flows to be heated up and cooled down
- Addition of all heat flows in the same temperature window (superposition)
- Only differences between initial and final state are relevant
- Structure of the composite curves



#### **Introduction Pinch Method - Example**





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#### **Introduction Pinch Method : Heat Exchanger Network**

- A heat exchanger network is designed using the • pinch method
- The heat exchanger network shows which flows • should ideally be thermally coupled via heat exchangers
- Simplification approaches allow a real heat • exchanger network to be generated





#### **Introduction Pinch Method: Grand Composite Curve**

- The "Grand Composite Curve" shows the net • heating or cooling demand of the overall system as a function of temperature
- Above the pinch point there is a net heating requirement
- Below the pinch point, there is a net cooling requirement
- **Enabling of optimization of the energy supply**





#### Introduction Pinch Method: : Grand Composite Curve – Heat Pump

- The "Grand Composite Curve" shows the net heating or cooling demand of the overall system as a function of temperature
- Application of a heat pump
- Source always below pinch point
- Sink always above pinch point
- Source and sink capacity can be read
  - source 54°C, 125kW; sink 90°C, 150 kW
- Maximum output can be read
  - maximum source output 190 kW at 46 °C,
  - maximum sink output 250 KW at 102 °C





#### **Introduction Pinch Method: Grand Composite Curve – Solar Themal**

- The "Grand Composite Curve" shows the net • heating or cooling demand of the overall system as a function of temperature
- **Application Solar Thermal** 
  - Additional heat generator always above pinch point ۲
  - e.g. solar thermal 80°C, 70 KW





#### Introduction Pinch Method: Batch Processes und Thermal Storage

- The pinch analysis also allows the conceptual design of the integration of batch processes
- **Determination of heat recovery taking into** account simultaneities
- Determination of maximum heat recovery using a time-average model
- **Conceptual design of storage integration**





#### **Procedure of a Pinch Analysis**





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#### **Conclusion Pinch Analysis**

The pinch analysis allows

- Systematic exploitation of economically optimized heat recovery potential
- Integration of heat pumps, solar thermal energy and thermal storage into industrial processes in a meaningful way
- Development of sustainable concepts for energetic process integration





## Now your questions

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