



Performance Untapped Modulation for Power and Heat via Energy Accumulation Technologies

PUMP-HEAT project

Flexible Combined Cycles for the future RES-based Energy Market

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PUMP HEAT Main Challenge

Combined Cycle Gas Turbine (CCGT) are facing **highly demanding efficiency and flexibility requirements** and often they are not profitable enough to avoid mothballing or closure

Heat pump integration in CCGT is as an opportunity to make CCGT the **bridging technology to a decarbonized economy** but they must win the following main challenges:

- Enhance the **plant flexibility** and **overall efficiency**
- Be **techno-thermo-economically viable** compared to already known solutions

1. Power only CCGT



2. Combined heat and power CHP



PUMP-HEAT in a nutshell

THE NEED: Gas Turbine (GT) OEMs and energy utilities look for power flexibility especially for CHP Combined Cycles (CC), constrained by thermal demand, hence providing limited grid services.

THE IDEA: PUMP-HEAT proposes an innovative concept based on the coupling of CCs with a fast-cycling highly efficient Heat Pump (HP) equipped with Thermal Energy Storage (TES).

The integrated system features an **advanced control** concept for smart scheduling:

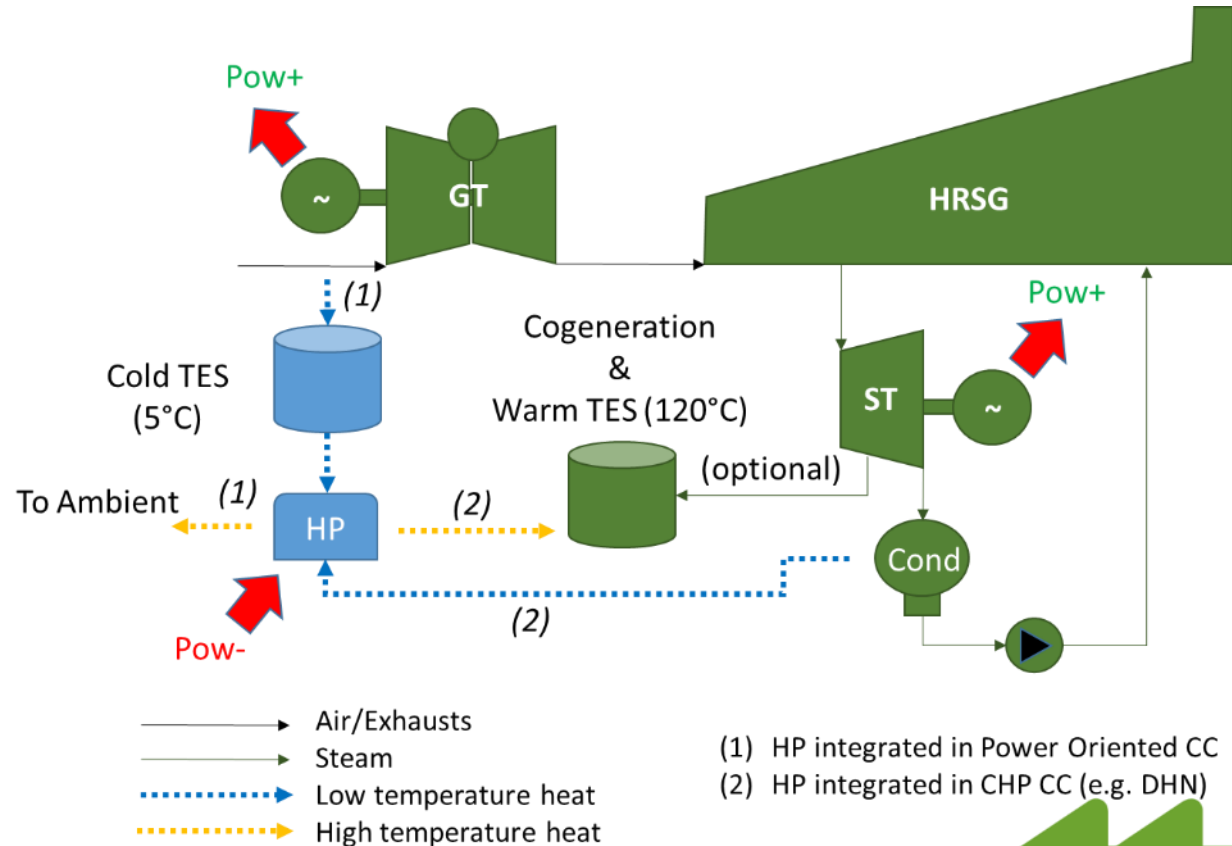
- the HP modulates power to cope with the CC reserve market constraints;
 - the *high temperature heat* can be exploited in the district heating network (DHN);
 - the *low temperature cooling* can be used for gas turbine inlet cooling.

The CC integration with a HP and a cold/hot TES brings to a reduction of the Minimum Environmental Load (MEL) and to an increase in power ramp rates, while enabling power augmentation at full load and increasing electrical grid resilience and flexibility.

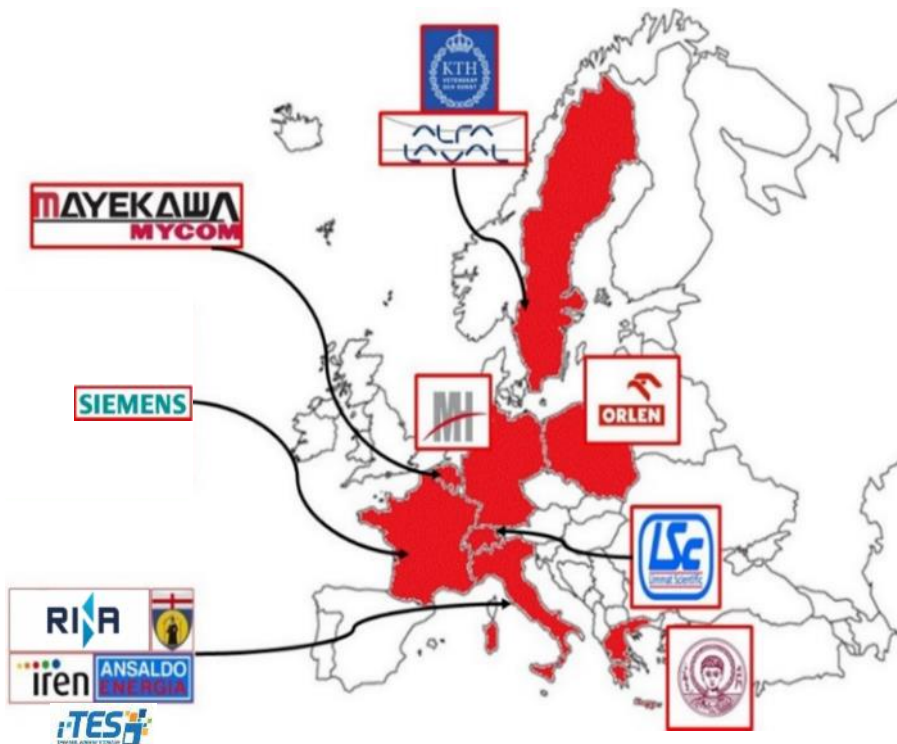


PUMP-HEAT concept overview

- Heat Pump (HP) as a *smart electrical load*
- HP may allow CC to sell grid services also when the CC is off
- HP will impact on the GT inlet air, reducing P_{\min} and augmenting P_{\max} as required
- HP can produce useful heat for DHN, displacing auxiliary boilers
- HP will also increase the CC average annual efficiency



PUMP-HEAT Consortium



PUMP-HEAT

an Industry-driven Consortium

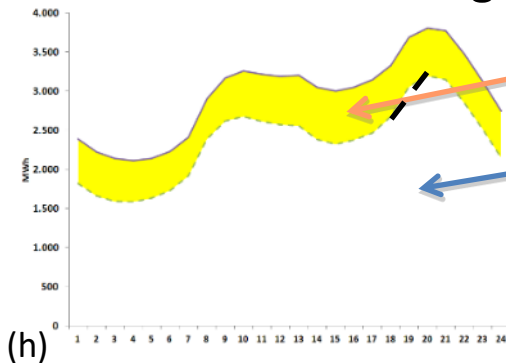
This guarantees:

- Industrial and Market interest to project outcomes
- Involvement of wide range of stakeholders
- Strong commitment to PHCC realization
- A common «project business» to be pursued made by «different actors' business»
- Ability to overcome contingencies



Why use a Heat Pump for CC flexibility?

March 2010 – working day



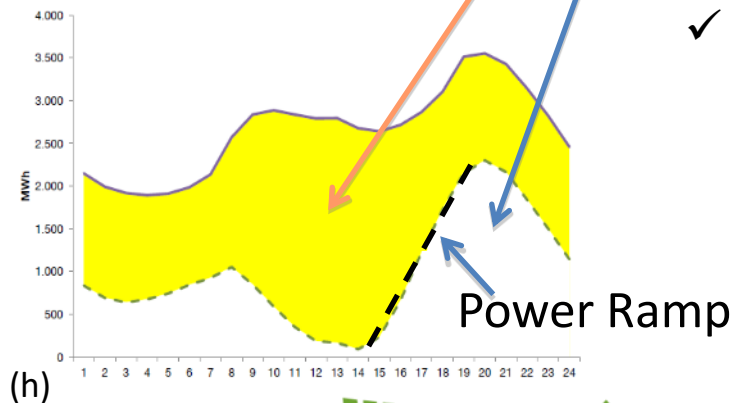
PV and Wind

Dispatchable power

Renewable share increase

- ✓ Increase of Renewable production increased low (or negative) electricity price period
- ✓ To store or to use excess of Renewable production is mandatory
- ✓ Heat Pump integrated with Thermal Energy Storage can take advantage of this trough a **PowerToHeat approach**

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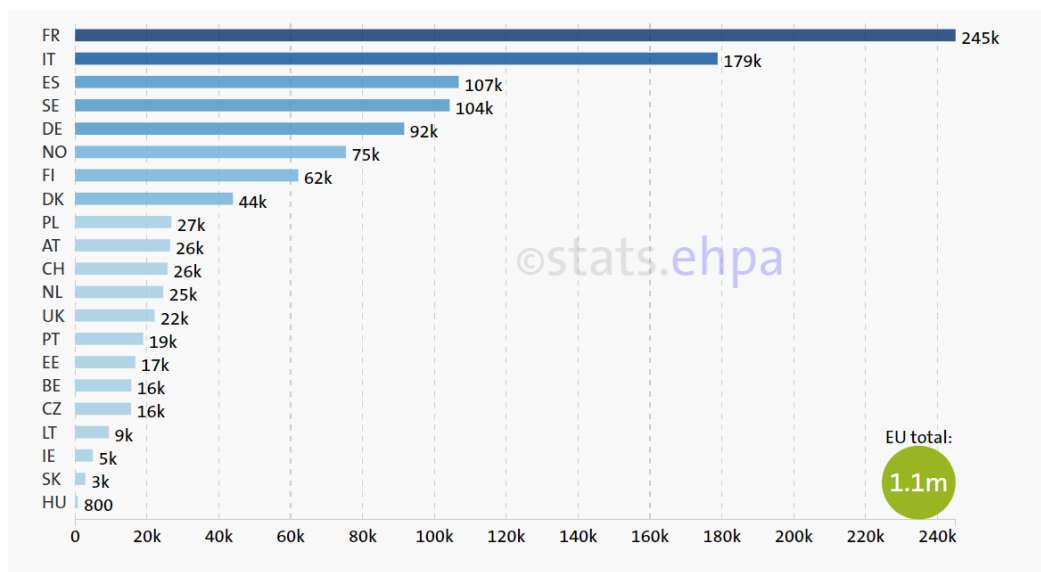


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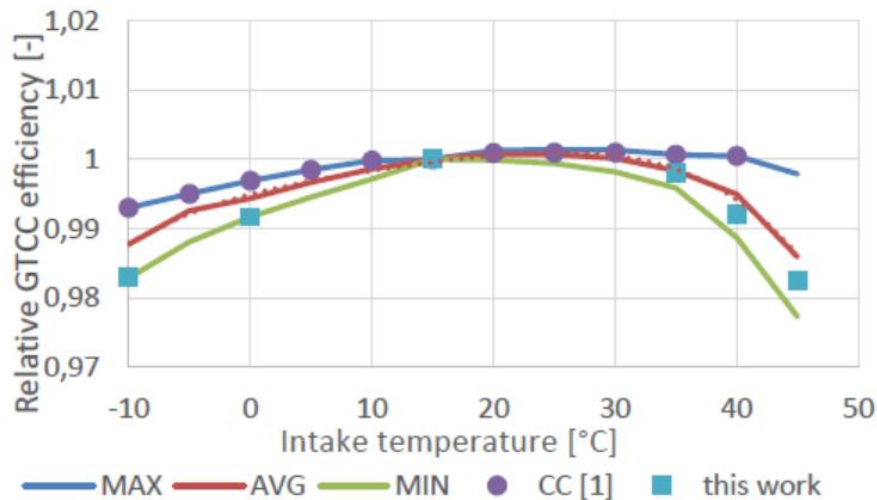
- ✓ To store or to use excess of Renewable production is mandatory in every energy market
Heat pumps enable the **PowerToHeat approach**
- ✓ The Thermal Energy Storage allows to use the heat when is most beneficial to CC profitability
- ✓ In cogenerative applications, the Heat Pump may displace fossil-fuelled auxiliary boilers
- ✓ France and Italy are the largest EU markets for heat pumps



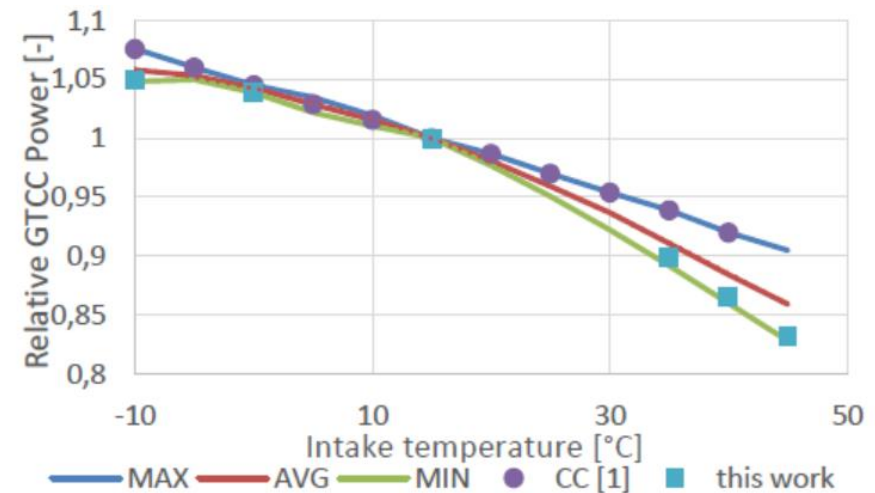
Heat pumps sales in 2019 [EHPA, 2020]

Why use a Heat Pump for CC flexibility?

CCGT Efficiency



CCGT Power

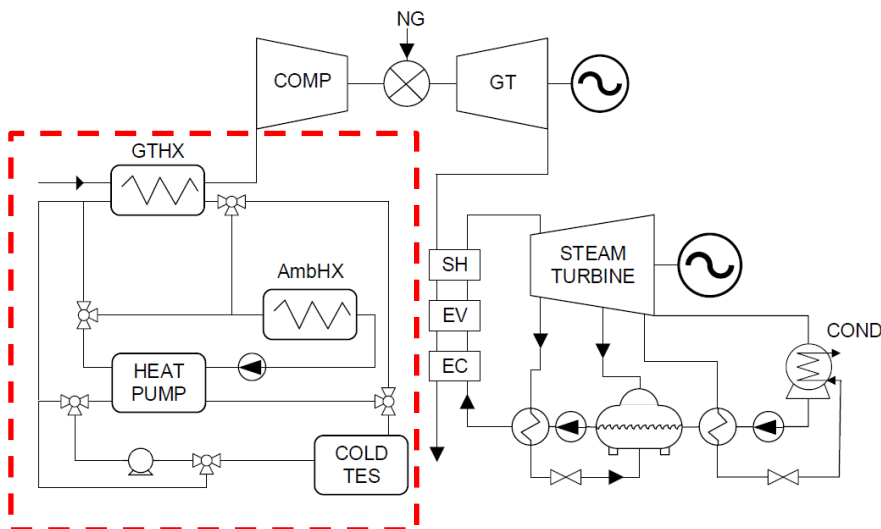


Open literature curves and Authors' calculations were compared with the Combined Cycle correction curves on temperatures for the OEM F Class GT frames (e.g. AE94.3A, GE9F, SGT5 4000F such as simple cycles and AEGT26 such as reheat cycles), extracted by the GT PRO.

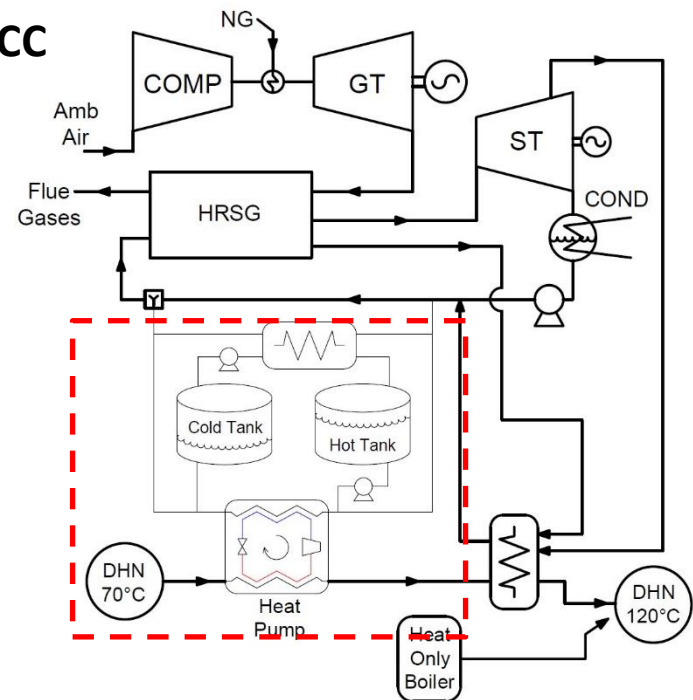
Analysis of a Combined Cycle Exploiting Inlet Conditioning Technologies for Power Modulation, ASME TurboExpo 2019, ASME paper GT2019-91541

Two Cycle Layouts: Power Oriented and CHP Combined Cycles

Power Oriented CC



CHP CC



Different role of HP+TES System – different role/flexibility offered on the electric market.



A demonstration-to-market approach, as excellence for Research Innovation Actions

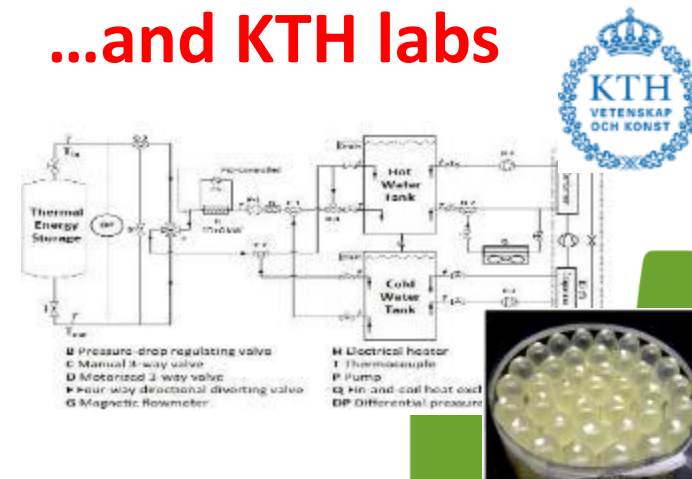
Demonstration at IREN Moncalieri CHP CC (+District Heating)



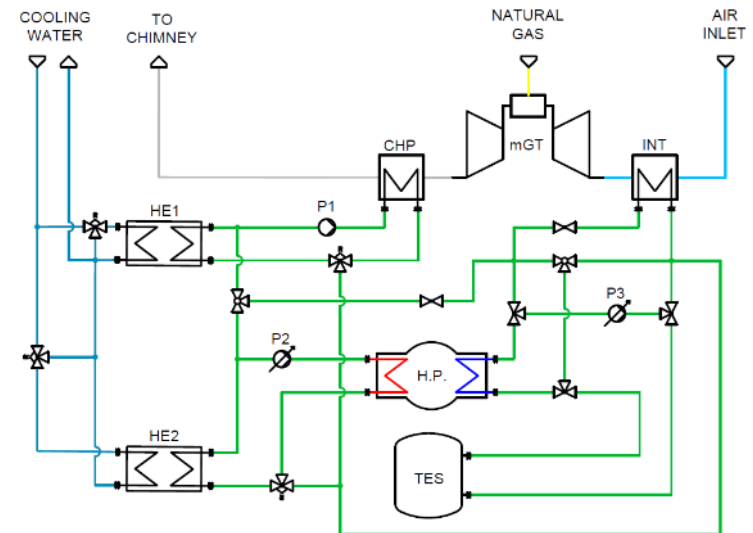
Validation at UNIGE PO layout



...and KTH labs



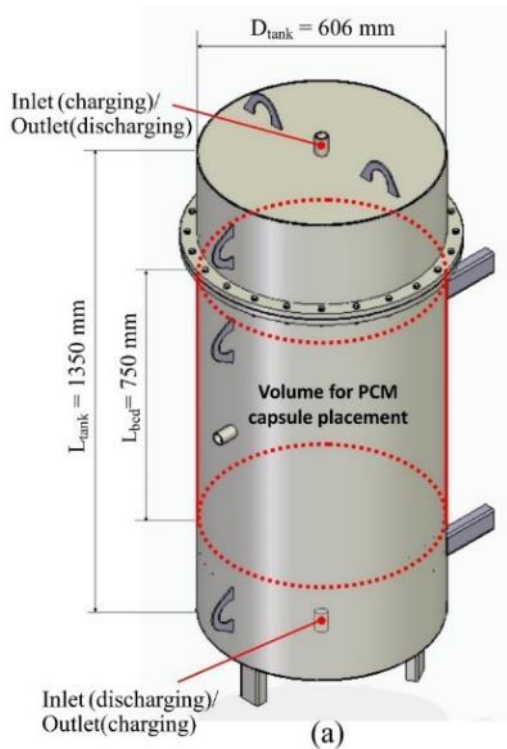
PUMP HEAT Validation site @ UNIGE



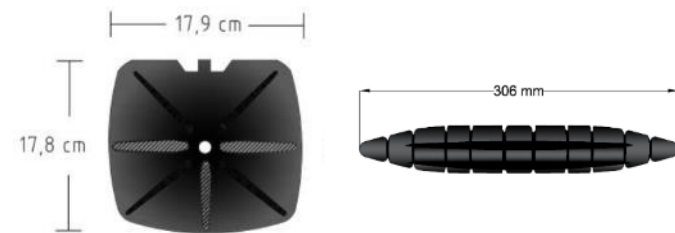
- Project Validation site, placed within Tirreno Power power plant, Savona (Italy)
- 100 kW_e micro gas turbine
- Fast response HP, 10 kW_e
- Cold thermal storage, 100 kWh, T range -5°C to +5°C



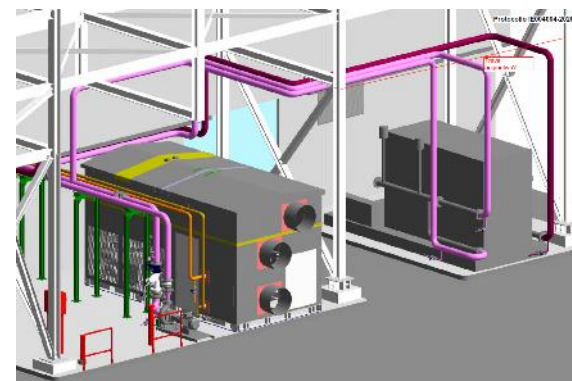
PUMP HEAT Validation site - Lab Scale Warm Thermal Storage @ KTH



- Two thermal storage configurations:
 - Shell-and-tube heat exchanger
 - Macro-encapsulation
- Volume of tank chamber=0.2 m³



PUMP HEAT Demonstration site @IREN




- Project Demosite is settled within an IREN facility in Moncalieri power plant (Italy), a 400 MW_e CHP
- Fast response HP, 150 kW_e
- Warm Thermal storage, 360 kWh, temperatures up to 120 °C



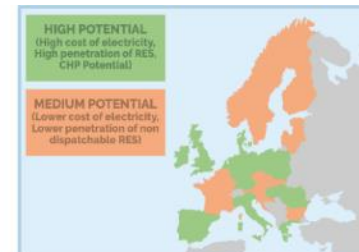
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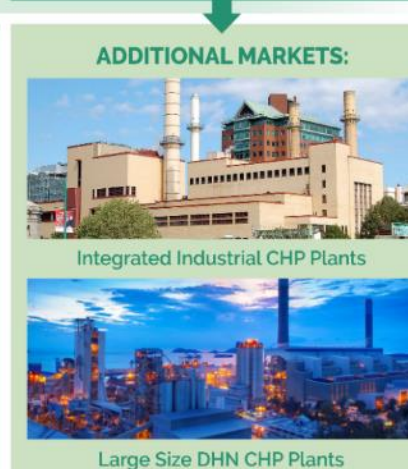
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- MARKET DRIVERS:**
- De-Moatballing of Combined Cycle
 - Increasing of RES penetration
 - Need for an Increased Back-Up Capacity of Flexible Power Plants
 - Increase of CHP penetration for process industries



Project Drivers

- Flexibilization of Natural Gas Based Power Plants to increase their role in electrical market
- Fast-Response Back-up Capacity for fluctuating RES
- Increase the efficiency and the performances at minimum and part load of the plants
- Demonstrate a "Thermal Equivalent" Electrical Storage
- Use of HP as Smart Load for the Electrical market and increase their efficiency

Intermediate Achievements

Demonstration at Moncalieri IREN CHP Power Plant

Standards and norms definition

- Heat exchangers and containers for PCM storages and the coupling with HPs need to be standardized in terms of geometry and size according to the stored energy capacity
- Definition of rules for the installation of the PUMP-HEAT upgrade
- Overcoming normative barriers for what concerns the interaction with the electrical grid
- Standardization of control systems protocol

Manufacturing

- Upscale the production capacity of PCM and Hot water/steam HP with consequent reduction of the costs due to economy of scale
- Development of high temperature and steam hot pumps
- Full integration of the turboexpander in commercial heat pumps

Further demonstrations

- Demonstration of the concept at full scale
- Application in other countries (environmental and electrical market contexts)

Marketing

- Start to promote the coupling of heat pumps with CC and GT plants
- Selection of the first entry markets
- Assessment of the final business model for the commercial exploitation of the concept
- Advertising and awareness campaigns for increasing the promotion of the PHCC layout

Power Oriented CCGT

Be technically feasible:



- **Heat Pump with R600 (Butane) as a working media:** advanced technology HP can lead to high COPs thus better impact on all thermo-economic indexes.
- **TES size/technology and costs:** recent studies demonstrate how TES is a key enabler for HP successful integration into PO CCGTs
- **Plant operation scheduler optimizer** is a must to properly manage the operation modes (TES charging/discharging, continuous cooling/heating) in today's and future complex market scenarios

Be thermo-economically viable:



- The thermo-economic analysis is a challenging task due to the **unpredictability of the Ancillary Service Market (ASM)**. To increase profitability from ASM:
 - **Reduce Minimum Environmental Load (MEL)** to increase turn down period and availability for ASM
- Reduce emissions and O&M costs:
 - **Reduction of intraday shutdown/startup:** a hot pressurized start-up has a cost of ca 24,2 keur and > 100 tons of CO₂ and can be economically replaced by a turn-down period
 - **Reduce components life consumption** due to shutdown/startup



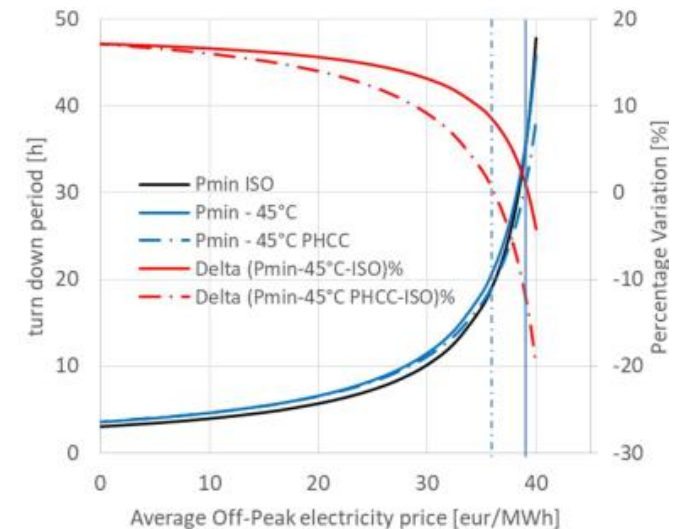
Power Oriented CCGT

Minimum Environmental Load (MEL) reduction enhances the profitability:

- Remain available for Ancillary Service Market (ASM) thanks to increased turn down period

Parameter	Unit	Δ	$\Delta\%$
Inlet Temperature	[K]	30	10,4
Gross Power	[MW]	-30,1	-15,9
Gross Efficiency	[pt%]	-0,75	-1,50
Net Power	[MW]	-32,7	-17,3
Net Efficiency	[pt%]	-1,55	-3,10
Thermal Input (Fuel)	[MW]	-55,6	-14,7
CO ₂ Emission	[tonCO ₂ /h]	-11,2	-14,7
Net Specific CO ₂ Emission	[kg CO ₂ /MWh]	13,0	3,20

Adopting the HP increases the turn down duration even at lower el. price [eur/MWh] compared to existing solutions



- Avoid the emission related to start up procedure the start-up impact over component aging

pollutant	u.m.	Hot P SU	Hot SU	Warm SU	Cold SU	SD
CO ₂	ton	78,6	108,0	127,7	196,4	19,5
NO _x	kg	49	68	127	254	18
CO	kg	528	726	794	998	68

For each avoided SU/SD procedure is possible to avoid ca 98 tons of CO₂, ca 67 kg of NO_x and ca 596 kg Carbon Monoxide



Combined Heat and Power (CHP)

Be technically feasible:



- **Retrofit** applications constraints **limit the performance** enhancement of the HP concept
 - Minimum steam flow rate for the LPT (we cannot extract too much steam).
 - Minimum exhaust temperature at stack to keep sufficient buoyancy effect to increase pollutant dispersion
 - Avoid exhaust gas condensation (acid condensate)
- **New unit:** best performance enhancement with **flue gas condensation**
 - Imposes a particular layout configuration
 - Reheating of flue gas must be considered after the latent heat exploitation to guarantee minimum stack Temp
 - Flue gas condensing system is a technical challenge itself

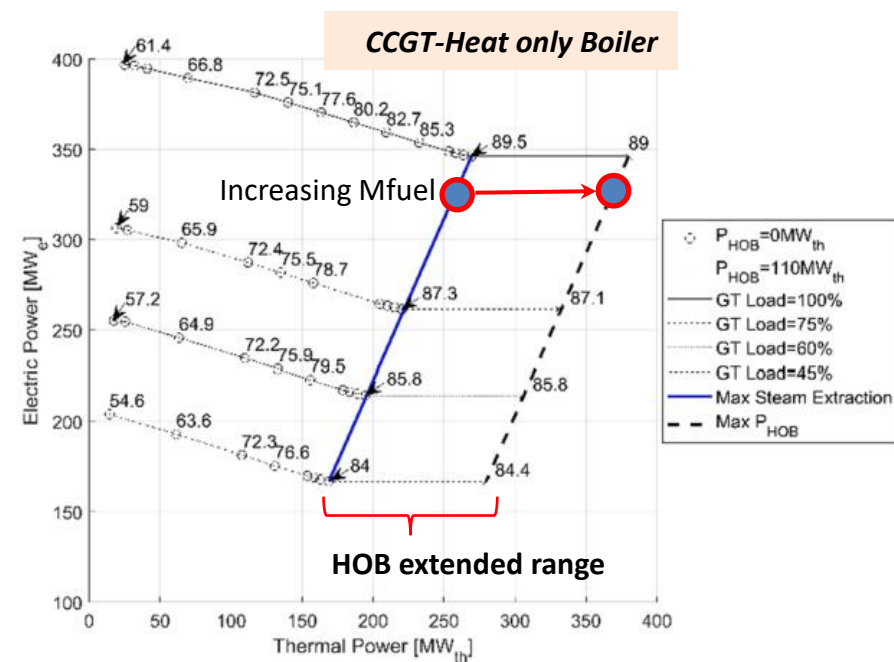
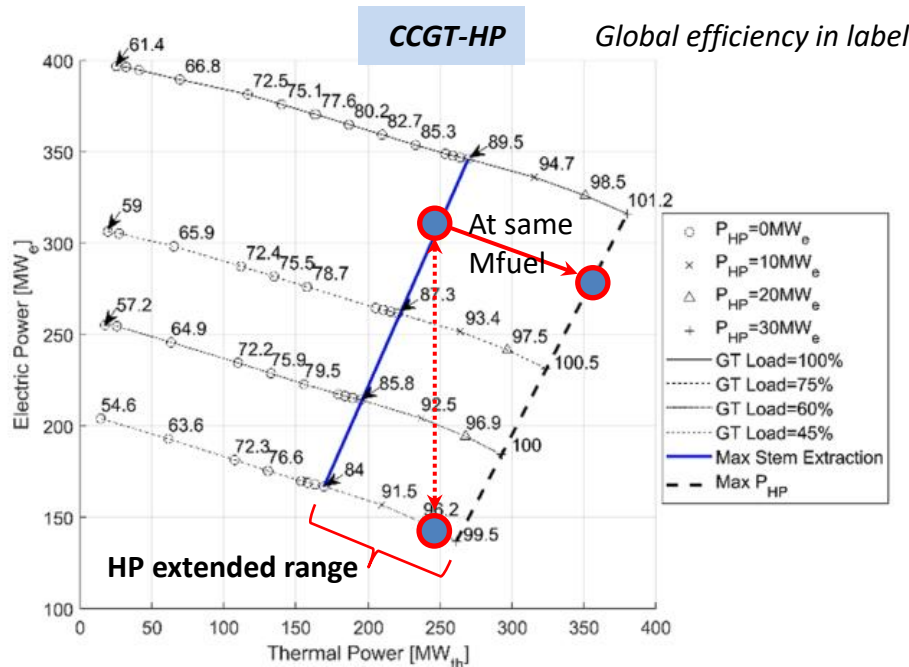


Be thermo-economically viable:

- The key enabler is the capability to **uncouple GT load and thermal energy** production
- **High capital expenditure** for large size heat pump (ca. 10 times more than HOB) restricts the market conditions under which the value of the investment is positive.
- ASM participation is the best scenario for HP integration profitability. Strong presence of renewable generators will bring HP integration NPV much higher than today.



Combined Heat and Power (CHP): Uncoupling GT load and thermal energy production



The CCGT-HP allows to provide the same **additional heat without increasing the fuel consumption**



Increased global efficiency



Reduced emissions



A demonstration-to-market approach: **interacting with stakeholders is crucial!**

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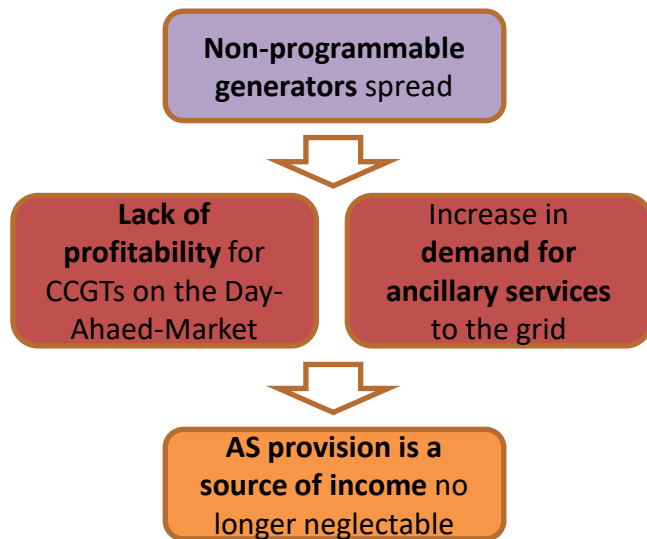


PUMP-HEAT WP6 ACTIVITIES

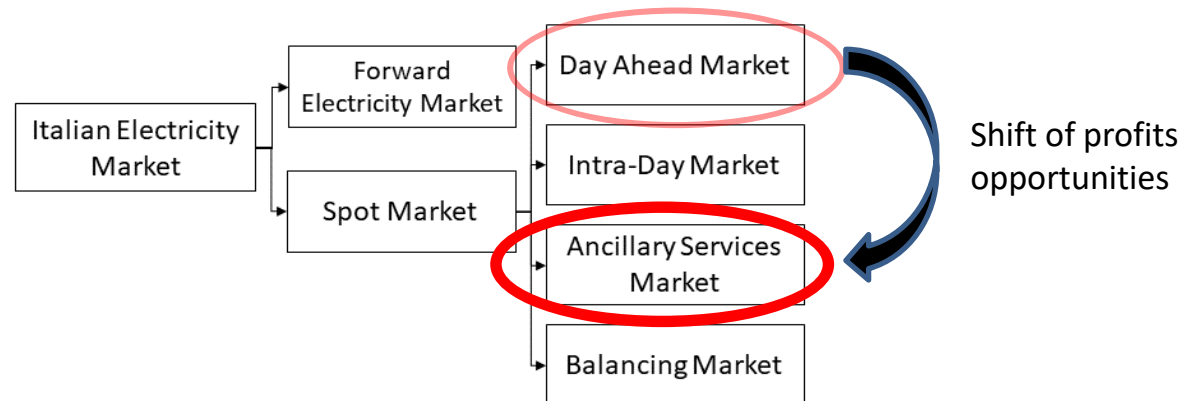
- Interaction with stakeholders via web surveys and “key bilateral interviews” with plant manager
- Replication studies
- Setup of a Techno-economic Roadmap to TRL9 also identifying most relevant EU markets where CCGT-CHP are active and where **ancillary services market** is remunerative and RES penetration is high



Ancillary Service Profitability



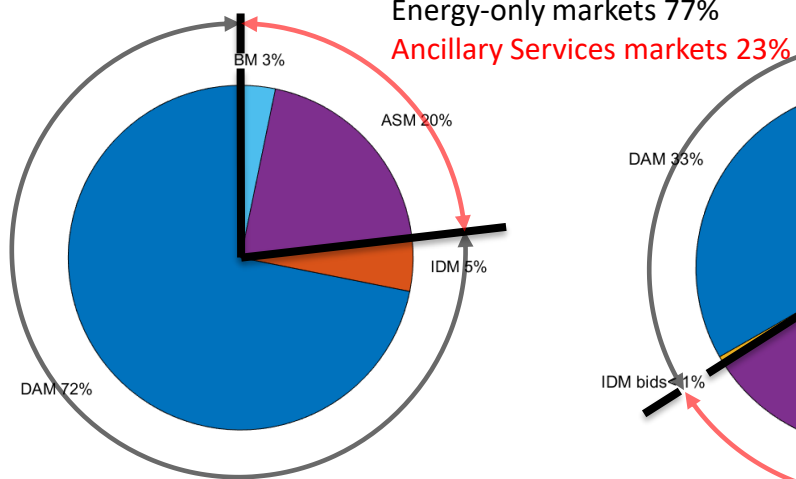
Italian Electricity Market



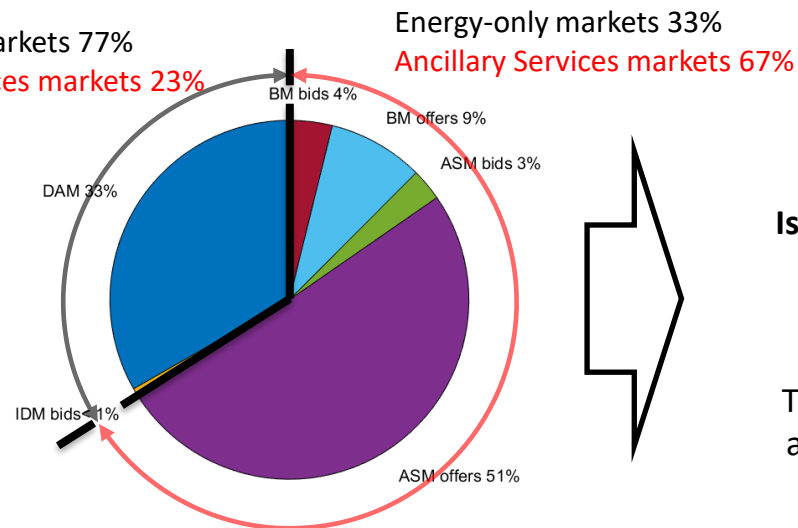
Ancillary Service Profitability

Revenues

(not including costs)



Net Profits



Ancillary Services Market (ASM)
Is a relevant source of profits for modern CCGTs
However

The opportunities on the ASM are strongly depended on the location within the grid

Analysis carried out on 45 Italian power-oriented CCGTs considering 2018 and 2019

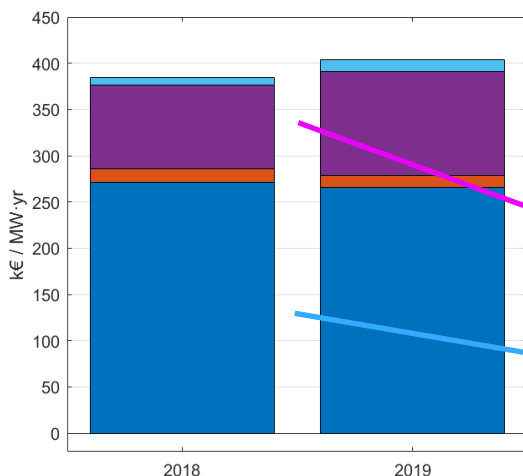


South-Centre Italy Focus

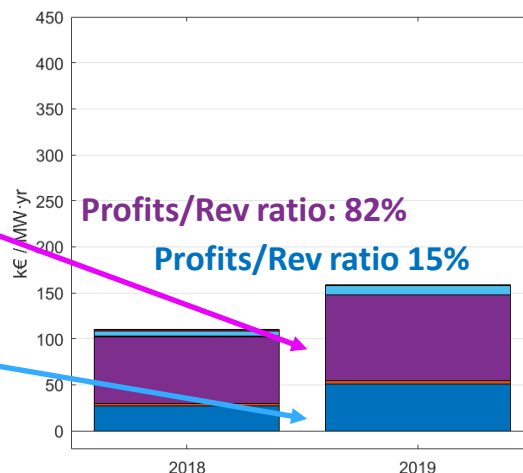
Within the **Centre-South Italy** (high RES penetration) **ASM** accounts up to **63% of profits**

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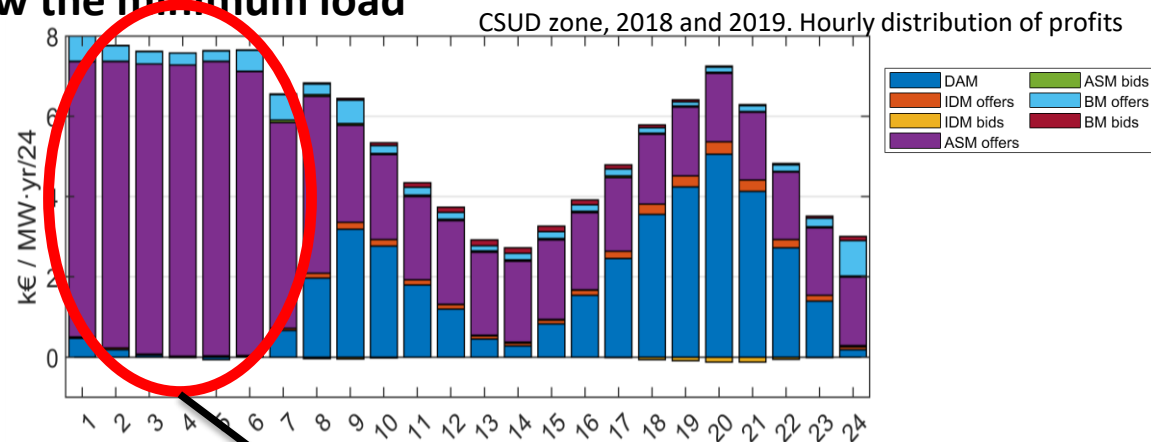
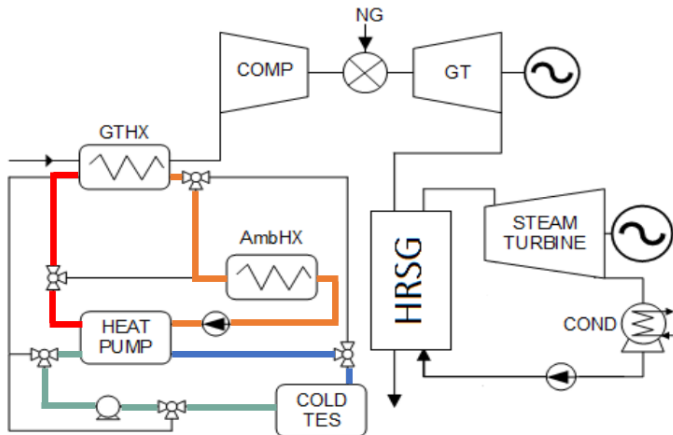
Low Rev/Profits ratio on the DAM

- CCGTs accept **low economic margin on DAM**, even negative, to be able to participate on the ASM
- Considerable Profits/Rev ratio on the **ASM**: **higher prices for energy**



PUMP-HEAT PO LAYOUT IN THE ANCILLARY SERVICES MARKET

The PUMP-HEAT concept allows to **low the minimum load** by means of **GT inlet heating**

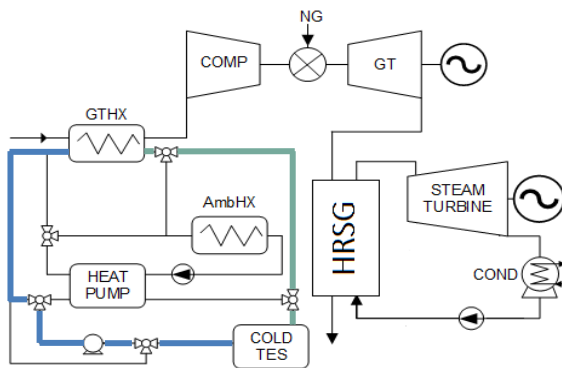


A low minimum load allow to save fuel, making viable to keep the power plant operating waiting for opportunity of profits on the ASM

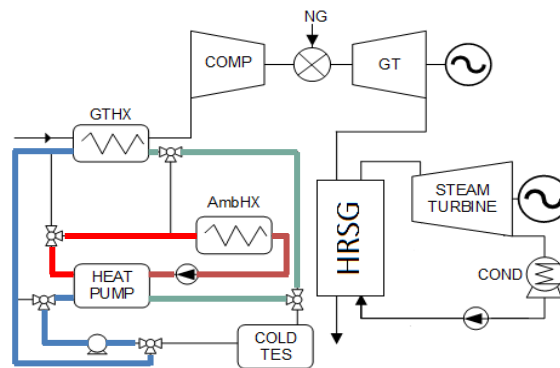


PUMP-HEAT CHP LAYOUT IN THE ANCILLARY SERVICES MARKET

The PUMP-HEAT concept allows to **increase the maximum power output** by means of **GT inlet cooling**



TES discharging



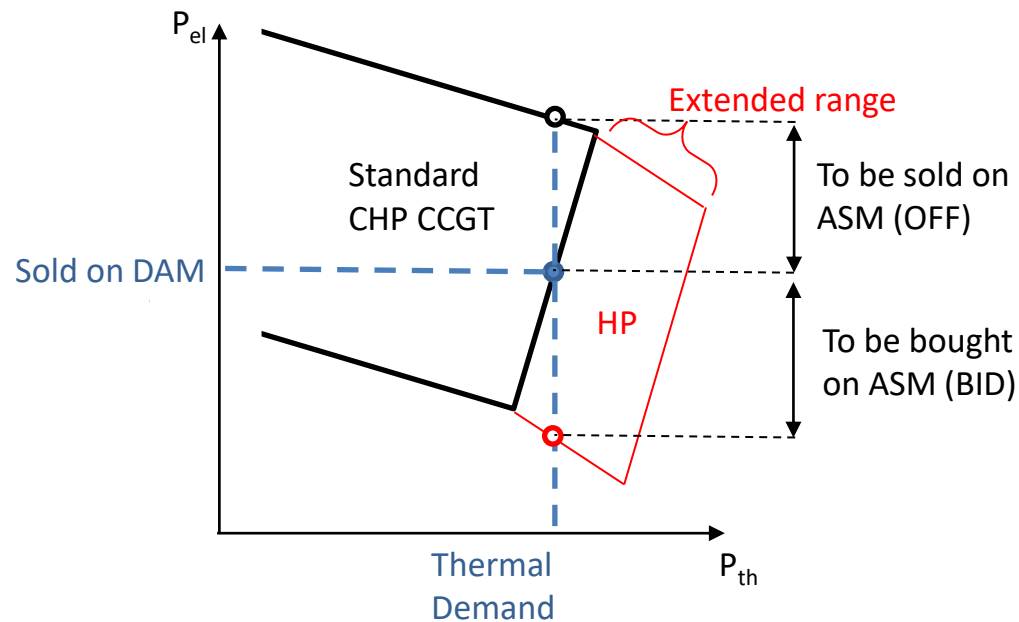
Continuous cooling



A PH-CCGT has extra power to sell on the ASM at higher prices



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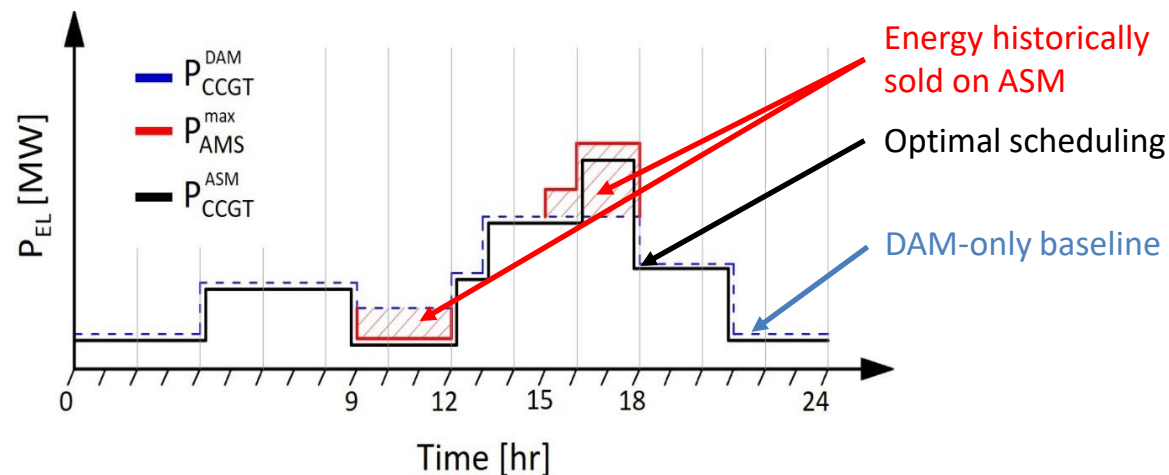


- CHP must fulfil the local thermal demand
- When high thermal demand the minimum power output increases
- So is the ability in providing Ancillary Services is limited
- HP operative-range extension allows to decrease the minimum power output
- The TES gives extra-flexibility mitigating the thermal demand peak



Economic Impact Assessment of PUMP-HEAT PO layout

Data-driven model of optimal dispatch on the ASM



- 400 MW Power Oriented CCGT • Northern Italy grid zone
- F-Class Gas Turbine • 2018 data

+3% in profits with the PUMP-HEAT concept

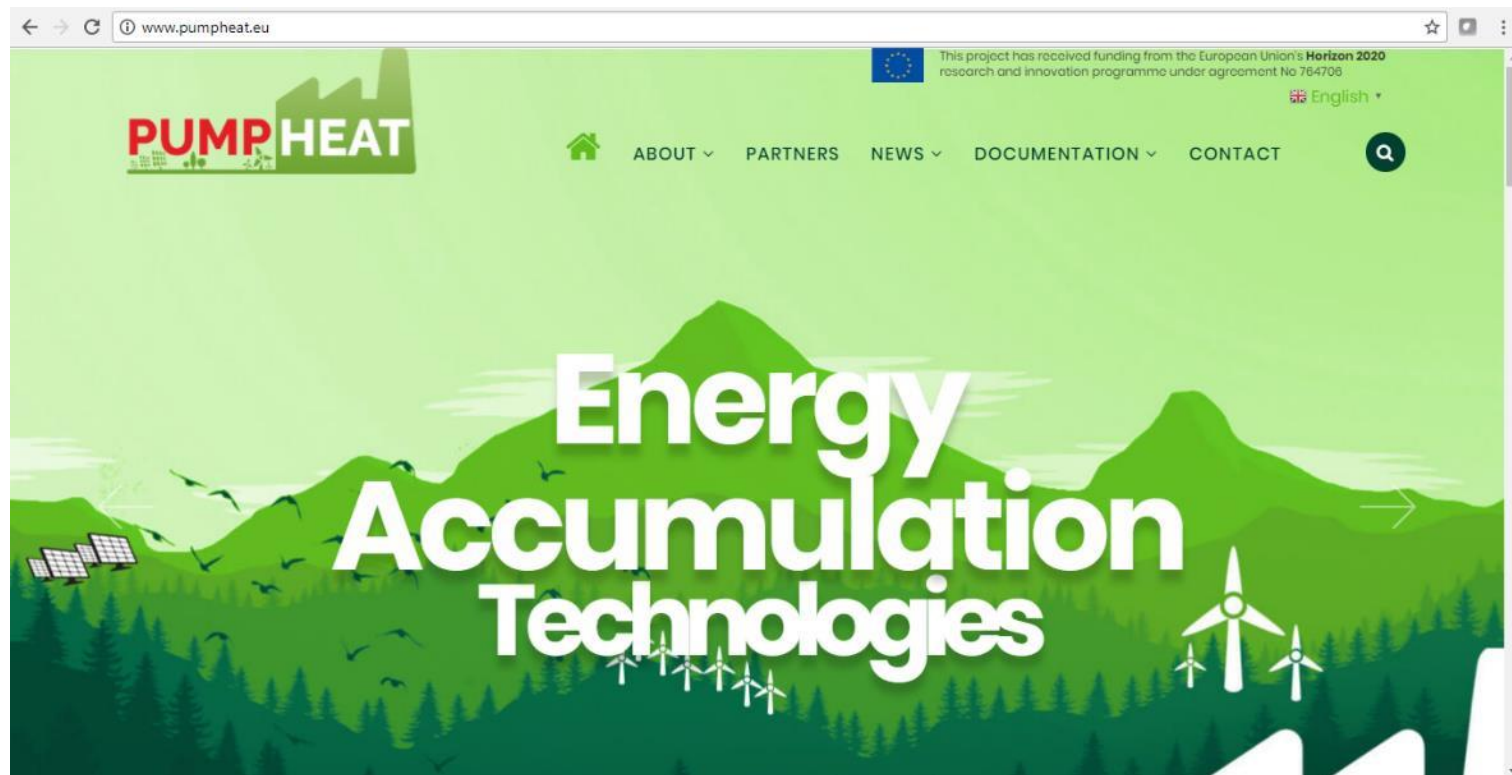
PUMP-HEAT power-oriented retrofit KPIs:

- NPV=1.42M€*
- PBP=12.9yr*

*Interest rate 5%



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