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Solar energy in industrial water and wastewater management

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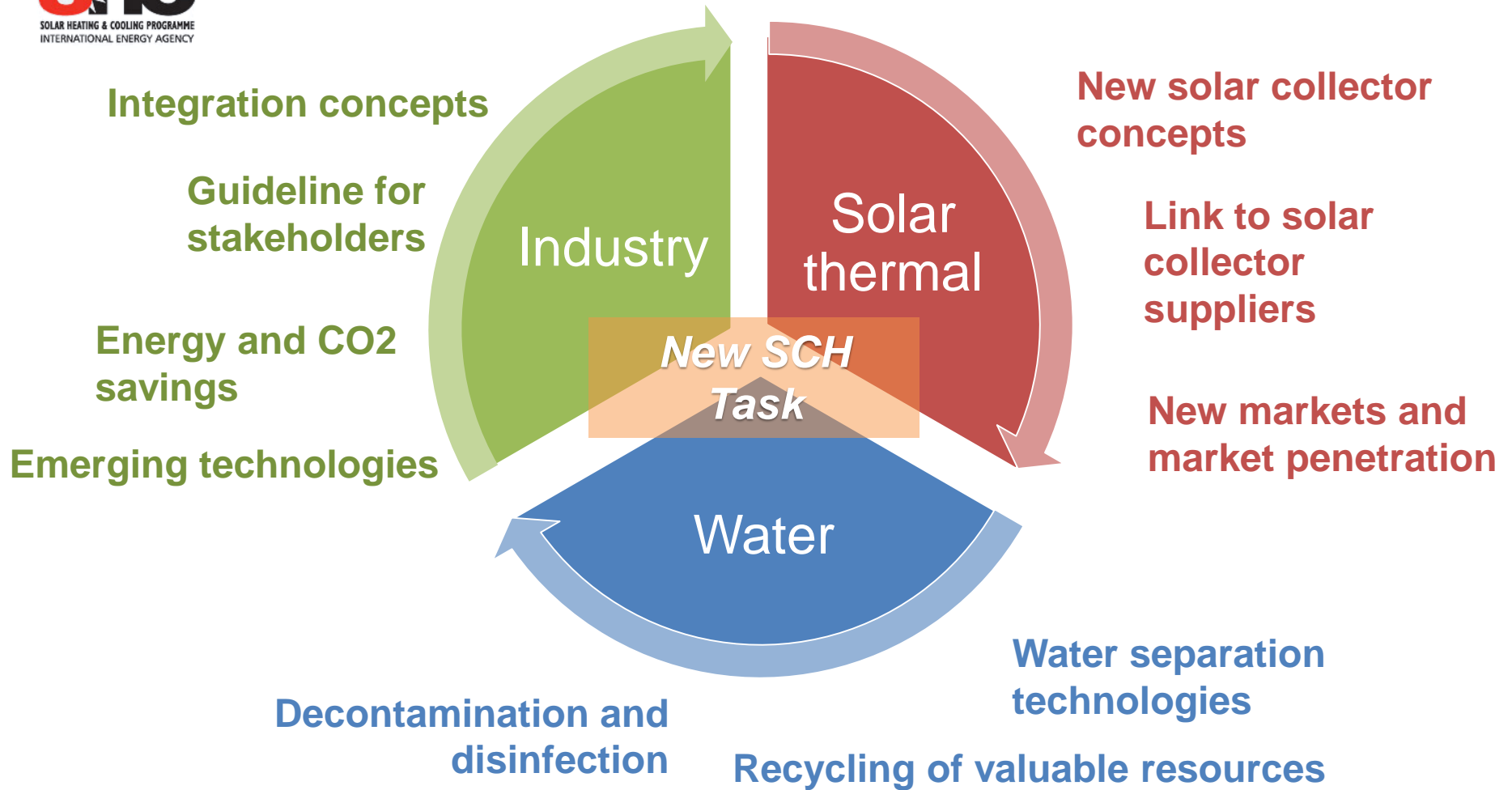
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- Industry is the second-largest water consuming sector (after agriculture) (OECD, IEA, 2016)
- Almost 10% of global water withdrawals in 2014 were for industry (OECD, IEA, 2016)
- Water is used in industry for processing, but also for fabricating and washing
- Most of it becomes waste water after being used in the production process



Source: EIP Water, 2013

Solar energy – water – industry NEXUS



Purpose of the Task

- To improve the conditions and increase the applications of **solar driven separation and water purification technologies in industrial applications** in order
 - to push the solar water treatment market,
 - solve water problems at locations with abundant solar energy resources and
 - reduce the fossil-fuel consumption
- Reduce the water and energy demand (CO₂ emissions) in industry (process water) and water purification plants (communal and industrial)
- For solar turn key provider, water technology sector (e.g. membrane producer,...), engineering companies and producing industry

Scope of the Task



Solar Thermal

Solar photons



*Membrane distillation,
Pervaporation,
Vacuum evaporation,
Rectification,
Humidification-
Dehumidification,...*



*Photochemical Water
Decontamination
and Disinfection
Systems*

- Link between industrial separation demand, technologies and exergy heat sources
- new solar thermal collectors' concepts for industrial water treatment
- Technological, economic and political barriers for up-scaling systems and technologies

Subtasks

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- **Subtask A:** Thermally driven water separation technologies and recovery of valuable resources (*Germany F-ISE*)
- **Subtask B:** Solar Water Decontamination and Disinfection Systems (*Spain CIEMAT*)
- **Subtask C:** System integration and decision support for end user needs (*Australia – Victoria University*)



Source: AEE INTEC

SUBTASK A

Thermally driven water separation technologies and recovery of valuable resources

*(Lead: Germany, Joachim Koschikowski,
F-ISE)*

Subtask A - Core Activities

- Identification of separation technologies with high potential for solar thermal heat supply e.g.:
 - Membrane distillation, Pervaporation, Vacuum evaporation, Rectification, Humidification-Dehumidification, Collector integrated systems
- Identification of suitable fields of application (industrial sectors, processes, geographical sites...)
- Assessment of pro and cons of these technologies for different industrial applications and boundary conditions and comparison with state of the art technologies



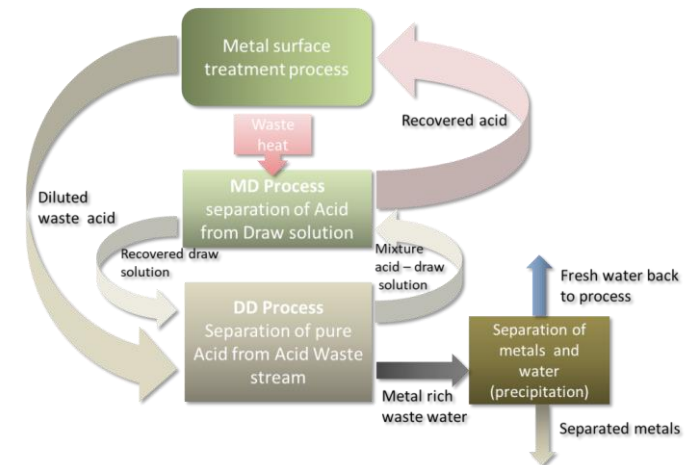
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Subtask A - Results

- Matrix of different industrial separation demands to be subjected to cutting edge thermal technologies versus availability of different low exergy heat sources (*D.A1*)
- Specification of System design and key performance indicators as basis for comparative simulation studies (*D.A3*)
- Comparative simulation calculations (*D.A4*)
- New solar thermal collectors' concepts/for industrial water treatment. **Link to Subtask B** (*D.A5*)
- Technical and economic studies (*D.A6*)
- Future R&D demand (*D.A2*)

Subtask A – Example

- H2020 project **ReWaCEM**
- The project aims at reducing water use, wastewater production, energy use, valuable metal resource recovery in the metal plating, galvanizing and printed circuit board industry
- Recovery of **hydrochloric acid (HCl)**, **sulphuric acid (H₂SO₄)**, and **mixed acid (HNO₃-HF)** by a combination of DD and MD
- and recovery of **Gold** and **Palladium** in printed circuit board industry by MD



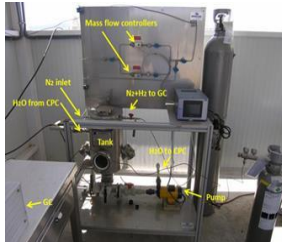
SUBTASK B

Solar Water Decontamination and Disinfection Systems

(Lead: Spain, Isabel Oller, CIEMAT)

Subtask B - Core Activities

- Comprehensive description of the state-of-the-art and potential applications of **solar water decontamination and disinfection systems** in industrial water management
- **Membrane solar photocatalytic systems** for industrial wastewater treatment and reuse.
- Design of **new solar collectors** for industrial wastewater decontamination and disinfection for reusing purposes
- Integration of water decontamination and disinfection technologies driven with solar energy with membrane separation technologies **for recovery of nutrients and products/wastes with added value.**



Subtask B – Results



- Potential applications on new sectors for industrial water decontamination and disinfection (real and research cases) (*D.B1*)
- New solar collectors' concepts for hydrogen production and industrial water decontamination and disinfection. **Link to Subtask A** (*D.B2*)
- Roadmap for technology implementation for defined applications and industries (*D.B3*)
- Technological, economic and political barriers for up-scaling new decontamination and disinfection systems (*D.B4*)
- Report on legal thresholds for accomplishing water quality required depending on the final application (*D.B5*)

Subtask B – Examples from PSA

- Water disinfection solar systems
- Solar photocatalytic generation of hydrogen (decarbonisation systems)



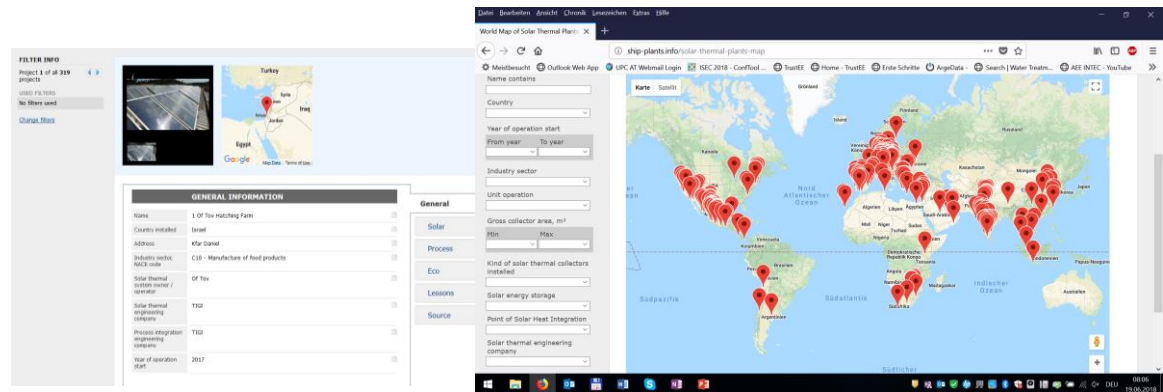
SUBTASK C

System integrations and decision
support for end user needs

*(Lead: Australia, Mikel Duke, Victoria
University)*

Subtask C - Main activities

- System integrations concepts of solar thermal energy separation technologies – development of **decision support guidelines** for technology end users
- Role of SHIP and water separation in combination with other technologies/energy sources (e.g. reverse osmosis, heat pumps, fossil fuel, biomass, biogas, PV, excess heat)
- Development of additional sector in [SHIP Database](#) of realized installations



Subtask C - Results

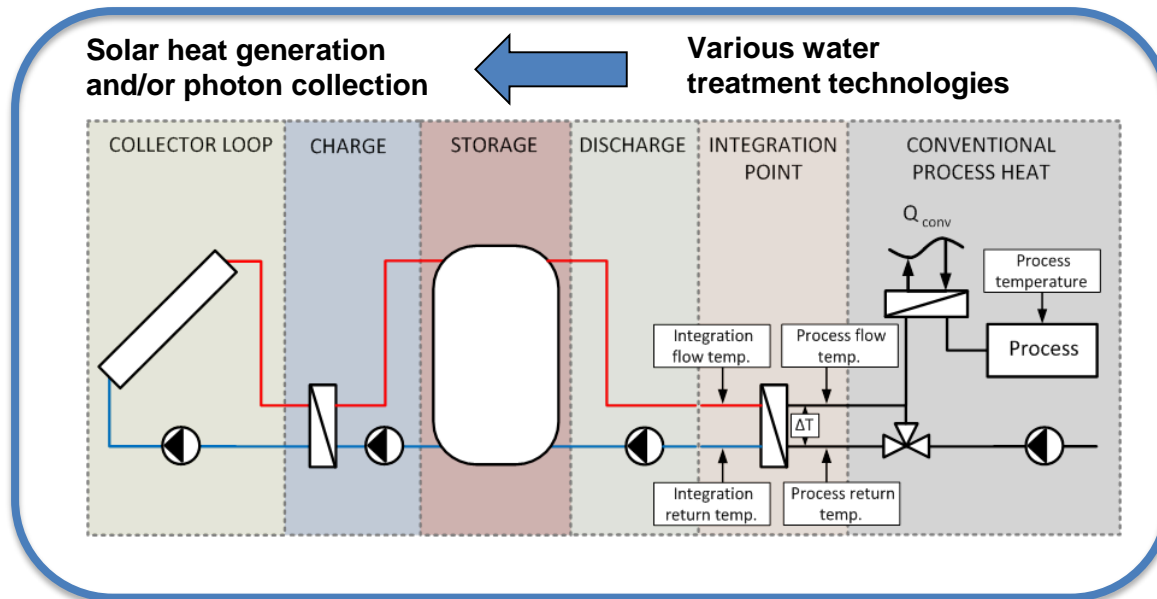
- Report on how water-energy nexus concept is actually being applied in the industry (D.C1)
- Decision making framework/guidelines for stakeholders (D.C4)
 - Generic integration concept:

Industry requirements:

- Specific Water problem
- energy management
- Time to market
- economics
- Reliability

Boundary conditions:

- Solar radiation
- Space requirements
- Funding opportunities
- Existing treatment system



Contributors and Interest from 15 countries

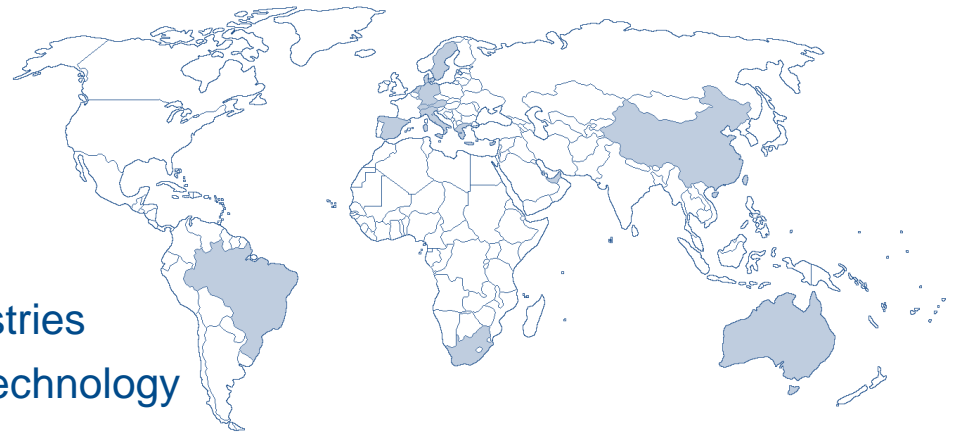
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Contributors and Interest from following companies and institutions

■ Australia

- Activated Logic
- Australian PV Institute Limited
- Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organization (CSIRO)
- Future Industries Institute
- James Cook University
- Macquarie University
- Monash University
- NEP Solar Pty Ltd
- Pinches Consolidated Industries
- Queensland University of Technology
- SunSpin Pty Ltd
- Sustainable Energy Transformation Pty Ltd
- University of New South Wales
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- S.O.L.I.D. Gesellschaft für Solarinstallation und Design mbH

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- Universidad Federal de Uberlândia
- Universidade Federal do Oeste da Bahia

▪ China

- Jiangsu Product Quality Testing & Inspection Institute
- YUBO Shandong Yuanbeo Environmental Protection Equipments Co., Ltd.

▪ Cyprus

- GAIA-Laboratory of Environmental Engineering, University of Cyprus

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- Acron-Sunmark GmbH



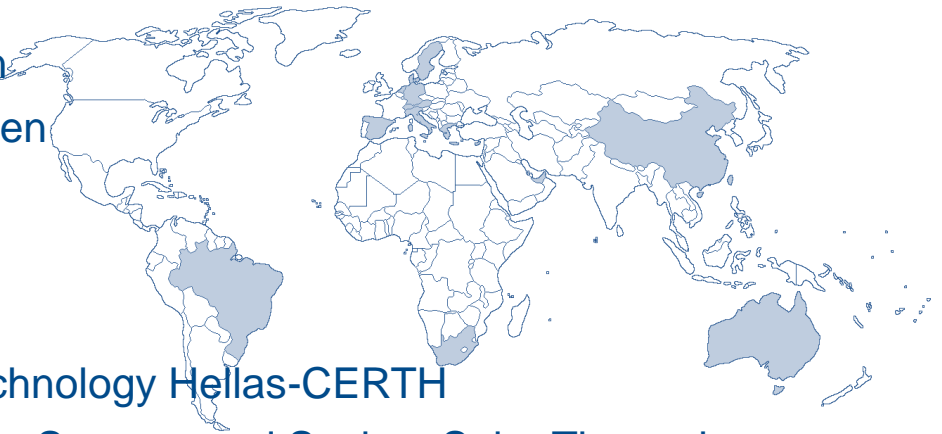
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■ Germany

- BFI
- EvCon, Germany
- Industrial Solar GmbH
- SolarSpring
- Technical University of Berlin
- Technical University of Bremen
- University of Hannover
- University of Kassel

■ Greece

- Centre for Research and Technology Hellas-CERTH
- Centre for Renewable Energy Sources and Saving; Solar Thermal Department
- Middle East Technical University



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- CNR-ITM
- CNR-INO
- ENEA
- University of Salerno
- University of Palermo
- Università degli Studi di Firenze; Dipartimento di Ingegneria Industriale

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- Aquastil
- SolarDew International

▪ South Africa

- North-West University, Potchefstroom, South Africa (Dave Rodgers, Jan van Ravensvaai)
- SolarEnergy

▪ Sweden

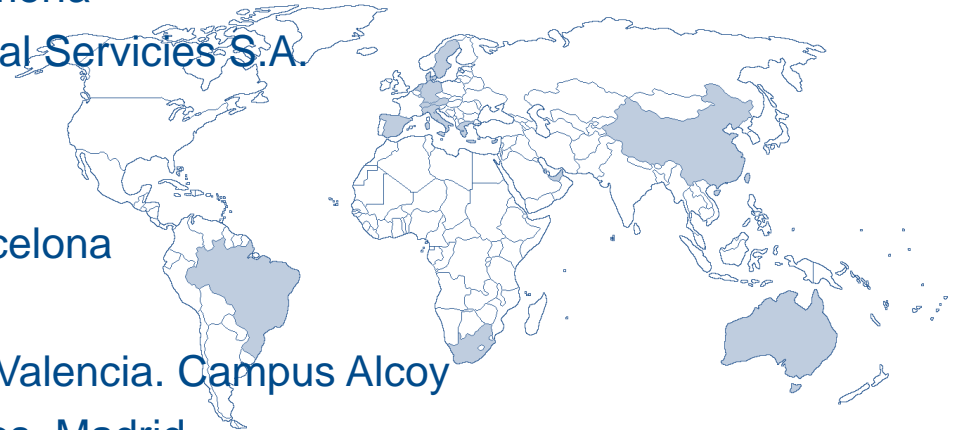
- Absolicon Solar Collector AB



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▪ Spain

- ACCIONA (Water/Energy)
- APRIA SYSTEMS (Consistent, comprehensive and operational solutions for the Chemical Industry)
- CIESOL-Universidad de Almería
- ECOSYSTEM Environmental Services S.A.
- GAIKER-IK4
- IMDEA Water
- Universidad Autónoma Barcelona
- University of Barcelona
- Universidad Politécnica de Valencia. Campus Alcoy
- Universidad Rey Juan Carlos, Madrid



▪ Switzerland

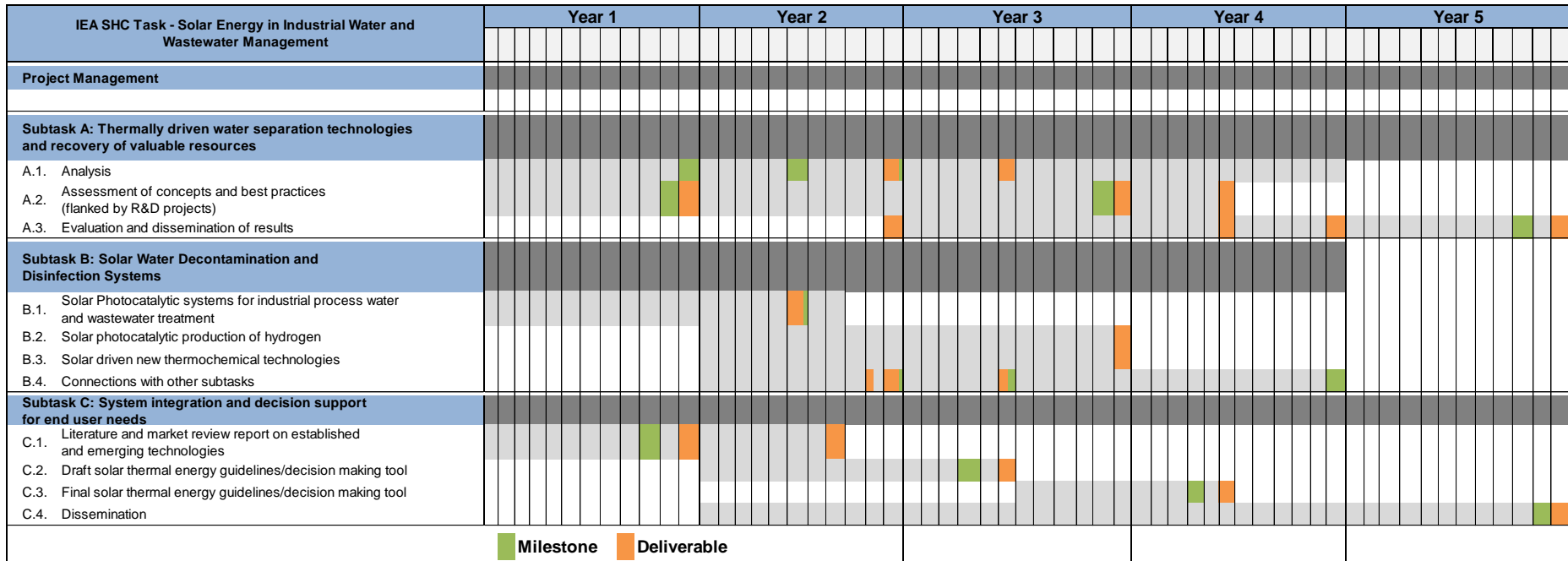
- École Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne
- SPF Institut für Solartechnik

▪ United Arab Emirates

- Masdar Institute

Time schedule

- Foreseen start / end: October 2018 – September 2022



Joint cooperation with SolarPaces

- Contact with Christoph Richter (Chair of Solar Paces)
- Diego Alarcon from Ciemat and Annex 6 coordinator will be the contact person
- Presentation of the Task at the next SolarPaces ExCo meeting in **Granada (September 2011)** Diego Alarcon
- Decision of cooperation: „maximum level of collaboration“
- After approval of Workplan by SHC ExCo – delivering to SolarPaces ExCo Chair (Christoph Richter)

Task Definition Meetings and Webinar

- **1st Task Definition Meeting**
 - held on 18 September 2017 in Gleisdorf, Austria

- **2nd Task Defintion Meeting**
 - held on 7 February 2018 in Frankfurt, Germany

- **Webinar**
 - Held on 9 May 2018 via Webex
 - Awareness raising and partner acquisition
 - Promoted on IEA SHC Website
 - <https://www.iea-shc.org/event?EventID=6120>

- **Kick off Meeting**
 - planned on 2nd and 3rd of October 2018 in Graz before [ISEC conference](#)

An aerial photograph of a modern building complex. The buildings feature large glass facades and are surrounded by a paved courtyard and greenery. A prominent feature is a large array of solar panels mounted on a structure in the foreground. A yellow vertical bar is positioned on the left side of the image, with a dark blue curved banner at its base containing the text 'AEE INTEC'. Below this banner, a white horizontal banner contains the text 'IDEA TO ACTION'.

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IDEA TO ACTION

**Thank you
for your Attention**

Scope of the Task

The scope of work covers all **low temperature solar radiation technologies** supplying either

- thermal or photon primary energy
- for fluid separation and water treatment
- in regard to industrial applications and sewage plants



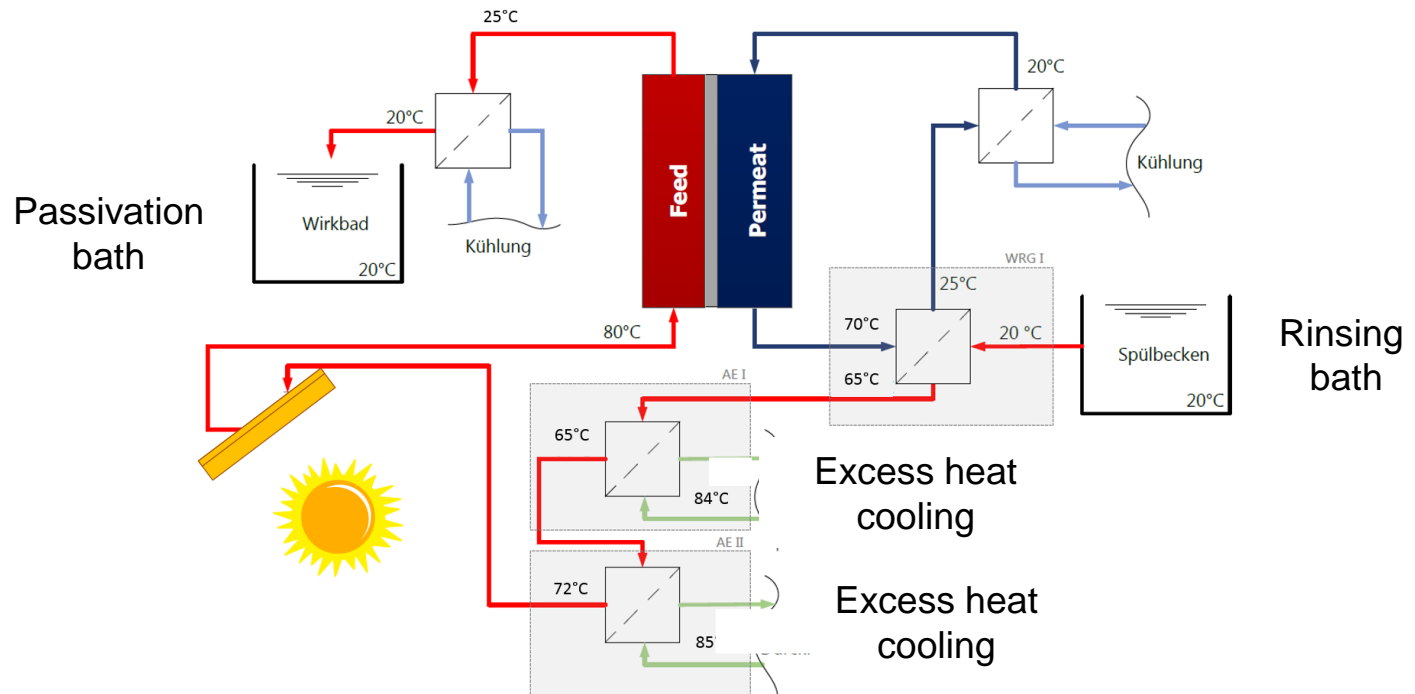
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Subtask A - Main Objectives

- Fostering the **development and promotion of new energy efficient solar driven separation technologies** for industrial waste water and process fluid treatment
- Supporting the development of environmentally and economically sound solutions for the recovery of valuable resources from waste water streams
- Contributing to a clean and environmentally friendly circular economy in process industry

Subtask C - Results

- Report on how water-energy nexus concept is actually being applied in the industry (*D.C1*)
- Decision making framework/guidelines for stakeholders (*D.C4*)
 - Example from national project GALVANO-MD:



Subtask A: Thermally driven low temperature water separation technologies and recovery of valuable

resources

Financing Task Activities

- The preparation of the task is currently financed by ISE in kind funds
- For the financing of the sub task lead we will allocate 2 to 3 person months per year in a new project proposal which is currently in preparation. The scope of the project will be “Green PV production” aiming at a zero emission fabrication of solar cells. Water and process fluid recycling will be a important part of the proposal as well as energy supply by PV and solar thermal. The proposal will be submitted to PTJ / BMWI by autumn 2018
- It is anticipated that project partners will also join the TASK 49



Subtask A: Thermally driven low temperature water separation technologies and recovery of valuable

resources



Potential Partners

Academia

- Technical University of Berlin (GE)
- Technical university of Bremen (GE)
- BFI
- Ciemat (SP)
- AEE Intec (AT)
- CNR-ITM (IT)
- Masdar Institute (UAE)
- Victoria University (AU)

Industry

- EvCon (GE)
- SolarSpring (GE)
- Aquastil (NL)
- ...
- H2O
- GEA



Funding - Subtask B



- No special national funding coming from the Spanish Government for this activity in IEA
- Partners involved in Subtask B arranged to use own funding coming from projects (specially national) closely related to the activities of the new IEA SHC task
- Estimated funding per active partner for Subtask B: 3,000 € per year for 4 years
- Related projects at national and European level
 - INSHIP (H2020-LCE-2016-2017)
 - RATOCAT (M-ERA.NET, 2017-2019)

Funding – Subtask C

- Funding approved from Australian Renewable Energy Agency (ARENA)
- Lead organization: Australian Photovoltaic Institute (APVI)
- Small funding for Subtask C: \$8,000 per year for 4 years
- Plan to compile technologies with examples from various partners for end user application
- Funding approved: first meeting held. Currently in contracting stage.