Pivotal role for heat pumps and thermal energy storage in the decarbonization of the industrial sector

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### INDUSTRIAL PROCESSES ARE CURRENTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR 25% OF FINAL ENERGY CONSUMPTION AND 20% OF TOTAL GAS EMISSIONS IN EUROPE



- Thermal energy accounts for 81% of the total energy demand, 66% consumed in process heating
- Low temperature (< 200 C) process heat represents 37% of total process heating requirements, whereas high temperature (> 200 C) process heat accounts for 63%
- The current industrial process heat demand is primarily (78 %) covered by fossil fuel sources. Relatively small shares are covered by more sustainable sources such as biomass (11 %) or electricity (3 %).





#### PROCESS HEAT USE BY SECTORS AND TEMPERATURE LEVEL



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#### SECTORS AND TEMPERATURE LEVEL BY WASTE HEAT POTENTIAL



78 TWh/year

124 TWh/year

minerals, food, and paper industries.

Only industries that use high temperature process heat, like the steel industry

200 – 500 C

> 500 C

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## ELECTRIFICATION OF PROCESS HEAT



#### **RENEWABLE POWER-TO-HEAT - Contribution to heat sector** decarbonization and power sector transformation

DECENTRALISED HEATING SYSTEMS

CENTRALISED HEATING SYSTEMS



The share of renewable energy in global annual electricity generation is expected to be increased from 25% today to 86% in 2050

Electrification of end-use sectors is seen as a key solution to decarbonisation given the efficiency gain achieved by electrifying these sectors.

CHP = combined heat and power; PV = photovoltaic. Based on: Bloess et al. (2018).



Heat pumps or electric boilers combined with thermal energy storage



Decarbonization of process heat while providing demand-side flexibility

## ELECTRIFICATION OF PROCESS HEAT



Large-scale increase in electricity demand due to the production of heat from electricity, could creates challenges in covering peaks and increasing ramping requirements



### Enhanced global energy efficiency and process heat cost reduction

INCREASING SELF-CONSUMPTION FROM LOCAL RENEWABLE-BASED GENERATION CIC

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## HEAT PUMPS FOR PROCESS HEATING

#### INCREASING THE OVERALL EFFICIENCY OF THE PROCESS WHILE ACHIEVING STRONG REDUCTION OF CO2 EMISSIONS

- Industrial heat pumps (IHP) are a technology which can upgrade the temperature of a waste heat source such that it can be re-used within a process
- Electrically-driven vapor compression cycle is the most commonly used IHP technology
- This is the most efficient power-to-heat technology (COP = 2.5 - 5)
- Can be implemented in both new and existing process operations





## HEAT PUMPS FOR PROCESS HEATING



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#### OVERVIEW OF INDUSTRIAL HEAT PUMPS



## HEAT PUMPS FOR PROCESS HEATING

#### POTENTIAL APPLICATIONS

**Heat pumps for temperatures up to 100°C** have the potential to cover 222 TWh/a or 11 % of the process heating demand in European industry. This could lead to CO2 emission reductions in the order of 51 Mt/a.

In the case that heat pumps also become a mature technology for the **supply of heat in the temperature range of 100°C to 200°C**, an additional 508 TWh/a or 26 % of the total process heat demand can potentially be emission free, with potential additional CO2 reductions in the order of 95 Mt/a

Transitioning industry to the **USE** 

electricity

of RENEWABLE

Heatpumps for

DECARBONIZATION of

heat supply in industry

the LOW TEMPERATURE

200°C





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#### RESEARCH ACTIVITY AT CIC ENERGIGUNE

Applications	Temperature range (°C)	TES technology	
Renewable heating and cooling in buildings and tertiary sector	40 - 120	LHS with organic solid-state PCMs	
Renewable industrial process heat	80 – 200 up to 600	LHS with organic solid-state PCMs LHS with inorganic solid-state PCMs	
Industrial waste heat valorization	up to 1000	SHS with low-cost solid materials	
Applications in the power sector – CSP dispatchability, TPP and grid flexibility	up to 800	<ul> <li>SHS in low-cost solids and molten salts</li> <li>LHS with inorganic solid-state PCMs or shapes</li> <li>stabilized PCMs</li> <li>TCS based on metal oxides supporting redox,</li> <li>carbonatation or hydration chemical</li> <li>reactions</li> </ul>	
		SUS: Sancible heat storage	

SHS: Sensible heat storage LHS: Latent heat storage TCS: Thermochemical storage



#### TES TECNOLOGY STATUS AND INNOVATION OUTLOOK (IRENA 2020)



## Competing technologies in the short-to-mid term

<u>Because of cost</u> Water tanks Solid-state <u>Because of spatial</u> <u>footprint</u> HT Latent heat Salt hydration

Cost (\$/kWh) targets by 2030 SEN < 25 LAT 60-95 TC 80-160



TES FOR INDUSTRIAL HEAT PUMPS (80 – 200  $^{\circ}\mathrm{C}$ ) Technology status and Research objective

Pressurized water tanks	Latent heat storage
Commercially available Proven technology	Still under development
Current cost: 35 \$/kWh Target 2030: 25 S/kWh	Current cost: 60-120 \$/kWh Target 2030: 60-95 \$/kWh
Space footprint Low energy density (30 kWh/m3 approx.)	Space footprint 3-5 times higher energy density
COP degradation Increasing temperature lift	No COP degradation expected Isothermal storage
<ul> <li>Advantages</li> <li>Drawbacks</li> </ul>	<b>CIC's CHALLENGING OBJECTIVE</b> Developing cost competitive (< 25 \$/kWh) latent heat storage technol

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#### STRATEGY OF DEVELOPMENT

Currently used PCMs are solid-liquid PCM with low thermal conductivity Large surface area for PCM/HTF heat exchange is, therefore, needed HX (or PCM macroencapsulation) usually account for more than 60% of CAPEX





Avoid using either HX or macroencapsulation by a **new class of PCMS** leading to low-cost **packed-bed storage system** 



PCM-based fixed packed-beds





#### SOLID-STATE PHASE CHANGE MATERIALS



Organic plastic crystals undergoing a solidstate phase transition from a compact, ordered crystalline phase (low-temperature phase) to a highly directionally disordered crystalline phase (high-temperature phase or plastic crystal)

∆S - high

## Surprisingly high enthalpy of transition

Many times comparable to that of melting/solidification processes

#### MAIN FEATURES OF STUDIED PHASE CHANGE MATERIALS

High 1400 -PE Density (kg/m<sup>3</sup>) 1200 1100 900 volumetric PG TAM energy density NPG in a suitable T AMPL range ••••• n-alkanes C-50 ••••• Plastic Crystal 800 **Easy working** 350 temperature \_atent heat (J/g) PE 300 C-50 tailoring TAM 250 -C-19 AMPL Easv 200 improvement PG 150 -··· n-alkanes NPG of initial --- Plastic Crystals 100 performances 60 80 120 20 100 40 140 160 180 200 Temperature (°C) Compatibility Together, high latent heat and high density lead to with commonly volumetric energy density 3 times higher than used HTFs that of water under similar working conditions

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Others

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### Easy working temperature tailoring

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Compatibility with commonly used HTFs

Others



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T tr in charge = T tr in discharge Shape-stabilized solid-liquid PCM with solid-state PCMC as active supporting media – Increasing up to 50% heat storage capacity while lowering specific material cost (up to 120 °C so far)

Increasing apparent thermal conductivity (x 5) by adding small amount of ENG (<10%) – Easy processing by powders mixing and pressing

Overcoming hysteresis by controlling the size of crystals of initial powders



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Soluble in water – Protective coating needed – Obtained by low-cost processing method (deep-coating or spraying)

### Compatible with vegetal oils - Very low-cost attractive HTF

	Rapeseed	Sunflower	Soybean	Coconut	Cotton	Jatro <b>pha</b>
Flashpoint Density (20°C)	285°C 920 kg/m³	316°C 925 kg/m <sup>3</sup>	330°C 920 kg/m <sup>3</sup>	230°C 915 kg/m <sup>3</sup>	243°C 921 kg/m <sup>3</sup>	236°C 920 kg/m <sup>3</sup>
Cp (25°C) J/kg.K	2001.6	1989.7	2015.8	2205.5	2002.1	2039.6
Cp (200°C) J/kg.K	2682.8	2623.3	2690.1	2534.3	2509	2515
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- Easy and versatile integration into the storage system – Wide variety of shaping and sizing range
- Basic chemical components available in the market
- Affordable production cost (1.2 €/kg)
- Safe material, non-toxic, non corrosive
- Easy recycling (e.g. green H2 production and valuable elemental carbon)









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- The electrification of low-temperature process heat is seen as key solution toward the decarbonization of manufacturing industry
- Industrial heat pumps are the most efficient technology for converting renewable electricity into heat
- Heat pumps combined with thermal energy storage are flexibility heating systems allowing increased global energy efficiency and reduced process heat cost while providing demand-side flexibility to the grid
- Latent heat storage technology developed at CIC energigune has strong potential for improving the state of the art (water tanks), increasing compactness and reducing costs

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