SUNSHINE PROJECT "HYBRID ENERGY STORAGE FOR SOLAR AND WIND ENERGY AT TERRANOVA SOLAR"



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Project TNS

- Fechnical Challenges "Sunshine"
- Feasibility Study "Sunshine"
- Future Developments
- Conclusions







2010: After failure of Nilfos

- Foundation of Terranova
- Clean-up of the site
- → 87 ha













What did we do?

- Neutralization of 750.000 m³
 acid water
- Remediation of groundwater
- Coverage of the gypsum















The partners of Terranova Solar



























- Biggest solar plant of the Benelux
- More than 200.000m²
- Total injection 15MW AC
- ≈ 4500 families
- 55.500 solar panels
- 33.000 screws
- More than 420 km cables







View on the South slope



WaterstofN





One of the studies













































June 2018: Start education center







More than 7000 visitors over 5 years





Next steps:

Production of hydrogen out of 100 % green electricity

One of the 20 H2 stations in Flanders (2020)









A lot of questions to investigate:

- The possibilities to bring H2 to the user (for example ships or forklift in the harbor?)
- What is a minimum (capacity) to be profitable? ullet
- At what price are we compliant to the market? \bullet
- At what pressures? \bullet
- How to store?





1^{ste} step: extra windmills & a battery



























WaterstofNet

SOLAR





• A part of the produced electricity is injected in the DSO grid and bought by a supplier (PPA)

Pricing subjective on profile & predictability



Ratio power vs energy: Solar profile is "over dimensioned" compared to electrolyzer





VARIABILITY OF YIELD

Yield of PV and Sun not only a location function of and emplacement, but even more strongly depending on (local) weather conditions.

The instantaneous yield can be strongly differ from the averaged minute values, who are 15 handled for yield usually calculations.









CHALLENGES FOR STORAGE SYSTEMS

- Combining energy and power in load/production profiles
- > "Merit order" of storage (cf. production sites): Ragone plot
- > How long and how fast do I have to store how much energy?





CHALLENGES FOR STORAGE SYSTEMS

Added Value over dimensioning PV/Wind?

- No Storage Added value rather small
- Complete independency possible but highly over dimensioning and expensive
- \succ Increase of Z_v with increasing "yield/consumption" decreases with increasing capacity















CHALLENGES FOR STORAGE SYSTEMS

Hybridisation in storage as key solution

- > Oversizing energy or power using one single technology
- \succ Combine energy provider with power provider \rightarrow Cover fast power variations
- > Drawbacks compensated by strengths of multiple technologies





AIM

Setting: 15MWp PV + 2MW Wind Challenge: 100% UF for 1 MVA electrolyser 100% Comparative study of storage systems in both power and energy

 \rightarrow Depending of variability of yield, power of battery is more important than energy content.



Battery specifications	P _{nom} : 300 KV E _{capacity} : 30
Utilization factor	68%











SCENARIOS

- From crucial importance is to optimize the use of the 1 MW electrolyzer (Utilization Factor).
- \succ Analysis shows that mainly adding a wind profile increases the UF.
- > Impact of adding battery limited due to "oversized" solar power (15 MW solar vs 1 MW electrolyzer)

0.1	Energy Production: PV (15 MW) Energy Storage: ELEC (1 MW)	
0.2	Energy Production: PV(15 MW) + WIN (2 MW) Energy Storage: ELEC (1 MW)	
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A1.2	Energy Production: PV (15 MW) + WIN (2MW) Energy Storage: ELEC (1 MW) + BATT (1 MW – 2,4 MWh)	
A1.3	Energy Production: PV (15 MW) + WIN (2MW) Energy Storage: ELEC (1 MW) + BATT (1 MW – 3,9 MWh)	



















H₂ MARKET EXPLORATION - ROADMAP



AL = Air Liquide / TNS = Terranova Solar / HRS=H₂ refueling stations









HIGH LEVEL DESIGN SUMMARY

System

- Technical optimal sizing for several scenarios.
- Analysis: Impact of Battery Integration.
 - To Optimize Electrolyzer (UF).
 - To Provide Frequency Control.

Findings

- Electrolyzer:
 - Electrolyzer dimensioning (1MW vs 1,25MW).
 - The 1MW Electrolyzer is more efficient.

• Battery:

- For both electrolyzer, a bigger battery size increases the utilization factor, but decreases IRR.
- System can be optimized with a secondary revenue stream: Frequency control.
- State of art: The Li-ion battery offers high power/energy densities.

• Control Strategy:

• SoC regulation for multiple battery applications.



optimize Electrolyzer running hours







Scenarios of analysis

BATT	PV+WIND+ELE+BATT+ Frequency Control
	15MW
	2MW
V	1,8MWh / 1,5MW
	1MW
	69%
	R1 100 MHz 1MW
	Scenario C

• Battery application: To optimize the Electrolyzer running hours and provide Frequency Control (FC).







TECHNO-ECONOMIC ANALYSIS

Business Description

- Direct injection in H_2 pipeline.
- Profitability analysis, cases: A / C.
- Primary revenue stream: Selling H₂ production.
- Secondary revenue stream: R1 Frequency control.

Financial Model

- Investment: @2018/2020 (Elec / Batt CAPEX)
- Grants (G) / Equity (E) / Loans (L) % Variation.
- R1: 1MW 100mHz. 50% of the bid period (C (m)).
- H₂ Selling Price: range of analysis 2,5 €/Kg up to 7€/Kg.

WITH SUBSIDIES

- Starting point of profitability at H₂ selling price higher than $5 \in /kg$.
- Frequency control can have potential positive impact on profitability.
- System profitability: Promising scenarios from 2018 to 2020.







Year 2018 Research, development and demonstration Project at a relevant scale

Year 2020 Full scale solution and demonstration on the specific site

SUMMARY WITH SUBSIDIES 2018



SUMMARY WITH SUBSIDIES 2020







+4% IRR

FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS

Waterfall diagrams

- Scenarios at 2020, 2030, 2050:
 - Decreasing Electrolyzer and Battery CAPEX (€/kW).
 - More renewables will lead to more need for ancillary services
 - LCOH analysis.

H2 Future evolutions

- H2 selling price €/kg is key factor for the business case.
- A lot of uncertainty & variation
- Potential added value for "Green H2" solutions & certification
- Make link with increasing willingness to pay for $\ensuremath{\text{Green H2}}$

R&D Development project

• The demonstration project can become the perfect playground for R&D opportunities 2018 (synergy battery – electrolyzer), Industrial project at 2020.





Decreasing CAPEX (battery & electrolyser) & increasing performances Increasing need for TSO ancillary services Increasing competitiveness for H2 applications (mobility, industry,)



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2

3







CONCLUSIONS

1. Project

• Study the technical and economic feasibility of a "hybrid" energy storage concept (batteries and hydrogen) at the premises of a solar plant, to be extended with extra wind power, in order to create added value for the produced electricity.

2. H₂ selling price (\notin /kg) is key factor for the business case

- With subsidies, starting point of profitability should be up to 5 €/kg.
- Potential added value for "Green H₂" solutions & certification.
- Increasing H₂ market competitiveness and new H₂ end consumers can be attracted on the long run.

3. Primary reserve services to ELIA (TSO Belgium)

- Potential positive impact on profitability but future evolutions on price highly uncertain.
- Frequency control revenue can increase profitability, only providing services minimum 50% of the year. Currently uncertain scenario.

Project Opportunity 4.

- Reproducibility in other ports or industrial sites with local & renewable energy production assets.
- Mainly wind profile increases the UF of electrolyzer.
- Existing local & renewable energy production asset. The demonstration project can become the perfect playground for R&D and BusDev opportunities (synergy battery - electrolyser).

5. Initial predefined trajectory of the SUNSHINE project

- Research, development and demonstration project at a relevant scale.
- Full scale solution and demonstration on the specific site.





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