# International actions on carbon capture and storage in SINTEF - approach and challenges











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# **Topics:**

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- 3. The BIC CCS Centre
- 4. SOLVit Programme
- 5. ECCSEL The European CCS Lab Infrastructure







# SINTEF/NTNU – in the CCS play

- SINTEF was the first to suggest capture and geological storage of CO<sub>2</sub> as a climate mitigation option (1986)
- Regarded a major provider of R&D with profound expertise along the entire CO<sub>2</sub> chain
- SINTEF's roles and actions pertaining to CCS:
  - References to light-house projects like Sleipner, Snøhvit, Tjeldbergodden, HYPOGEN, ...
  - Coordination of some large European IPs on CCS (FP6/FP7)
  - Responsible for the European CCS Laboratory programme (ECCSEL)
  - R&D performer in the SOLVit programme
  - Coordinator of the BIGCO2 strategic umbrella
  - Operating the BIG CCS Centre (Centre of Excellence)
  - Organiser of leading CCS conferences GHGT8 (2006) and the biannual TCCS
  - Enjoying an extensive CCS network on the global basis
  - Targeting to strengthen its position within CCS globally





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# SINTEF – one of the largest independent Research Institutes in Europe

**Trondheim**, Oslo, Bergen, Stavanger, Tromsø, Raufoss, Ålesund, Mo i Rana, Glomfjord, Porsgrunn, USA, Brasil, Danmark, Chile

## Vision: Technology for a Better Society

Providing knowledge and services based on scientific research to Norwegian and international clients

Contributing to adding values to customers, creating new businesses and enabling societal sustainability

Turnover: 305 M€(2008)

14 % of the revenues coming from international clients in 53 countries

Employing 2145 individual with 64 nationalities 43 % of the researchers having a PhD



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# **SINTEF/NTNU CCS Contracts**





## EU FP6 and FP7 R&D – Our Involvement in CO<sub>2</sub> Capture and Storage



**Partners**: Vattenfall, RWE, StatoilHydro, BP, Rohoel, Siemens, Alstom, Lurgi. Air liquide, Linde, Progressive Energy, Mitsui-Babcock, DLR, DONG Energy, Elsam, PPC, E.ON, SNSK, ENEL, ENDESA, E.ON, Schlumberger, IFP, TNO, RF, NIVA, OGS, ISFTA, Fraunhofer, IEA-GHG, GEUS, ARCELOR, Corus, BGS, BGR, BRGM, ECOFYS, JRC, Societe Generale, Universities of Twente-Ulster-Chalmers-Stuttgart-Delft-Tsinghua-Zhejiang, KTH, TU- Sofia, KTH, Corning, EDP, ECN, TIPS, TPRI, IET-CAS...







# The many steps

# The BIG picture



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# BIGCO2, BIGCLC and BIGH2 – In brief

- **Co-ordinator SINTEF Energy Research**
- **R&D** providers
  - SINTEF, NTNU
  - **CICERO**
  - University of Oslo
  - Deutsche Luft und Raumfahrt DLR (Germany)
  - Technische Universität Munchen TUM (Germany)
  - **Co-operation with Sandia Nat. Labs Livermore (USA)**
- Funding (including storage and EOR):
  - Approx 65/35 % funded by Research Council of Norway/Industry
  - 2001- 2006: Total of 13 M€
  - 2007 2011: 12M€(BIGCO2)
  - 2007 2011: 13M€(BIGH2)
  - 2006 2012: 5M€(BIGCLC)
  - 2009 2016: 47M€(BIGCCS)
- 90 M€

- Industrial consortium
  - Aker Clean Carbon (Norway)
  - **GE Global Research (Munich Germany)**
  - Statkraft (Norway)
  - StatoilHydro (Norway)
  - **ALSTOM (Zürich, Switzerland)**
  - SHELL

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# **BIGCO<sub>2</sub> National CCS R&D Platform**

**Membranes** 



H<sub>2</sub> and De-N<sub>2</sub> combustion

**Chemical** Looping **Combustion** 

Geological storage

## Absorption and desorption studies



**Power cycle studies** 





## **BIGCCS: Educational Program**

Scientific advisors for PhD's and Post Doc's: Prof. Hallvard Svendsen, Prof. Hugo Jakobsen, Prof. Inge Gran, Prof. Olav Bolland, Prof. Bjarne Foss, Prof. Truls Gundersen, Prof. Tor Grande, Prof. Ole Torsæter



## **BIGCCS:** Post Combustion CO<sub>2</sub> Capture

Reduced heating demand for regeneration of solvent targeting **2 GJ/t CO<sub>2</sub>** and 50% reduction

New methodology for screening and early testing



#### Cleaned gas to atmosphere Absorber Flue Gas Blower Flue Gas Cooler Blower Flue Gas Cooler Blower Flue Gas Cooler Blower Kich solution Kich solution Kich solution

### Modelling and simulation



of concepts to assess potentiality

Solvent development

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**Objectives** 

equipment cost.

## **BIGCCS: Power Cycles Integration and Analysis**

## Cold flow BIGCLC:

- Model development
- Set-up of cold flow CLC rig, functional testing and comparative studies against model work
- Potentiality studies
  - Jordal K., 2008, Benchmarking of power cycles with CO<sub>2</sub> capture – The impact of the selected framework, International Journal of Greenhouse Gas Control 2, (2008), pp468-477.
  - PhD thesis (Konrad Eichhorn Colombo): Detailed transient membrane-based GT power plant models
- Stabilization of pressure oscillations in oxy-fuel combustion using pre-flame CO<sub>2</sub>-injection.





# BIGCCS: Enhanced oil and gas recovery with CO<sub>2</sub> and safe underground storage of CO<sub>2</sub>



- Envisaging geological storage of CO<sub>2</sub> as a safe, economic and option for large-scale disposal
- Gaining complementary knowledge required for the fundamental understanding relating to:
  - Reservoir geology and chemistry
  - Carbon cycle
  - Emission and storage scenarios
  - Monitoring and verification of safe storage
  - Long-term climate modelling
  - Economic aspects
  - Institutional aspects
  - Political and legal aspects.

## EOR CO<sub>2</sub> value chain



# **BIGCCS:** Utsira and Johansen aquifers

**Utsira:** 25 000 km<sup>2</sup> sand formation, typical porosity 35%, high permeability (1000 to 2000 mD)

**Johansen**: very large sand formation at 2200 – 2600 m depth (underneath the Troll gas field)

A scenario with injection of 40 Gt CO<sub>2</sub> was deemed feasible via detailed reservoir simulations

- The thickness is 90 m in average varying between 0 and 350 m.
- The sand is divided by thin shales reducing the effective vertical permeability to 10% of the horizontal permeability

Typical top depth is 800 m







## BIGCLC: Chemical Looping Combustion Phase I: 2007-2009, Phase II: 2009-2013 (5 M€)

Designing, building and testing a new pressurised CLC reactor (@150 kW thermal conversion). Simulation and controls. Working materials characterisation.

- Taking CLC to a **next stage of maturity level** in order to become competitive in large-scale power generation with CO<sub>2</sub> capture.
- Targeting 15€/ton, >90% capture rate, efficiency penalty < 6 %





# **BIGH2** "Innovation" project

Budget of ~13 M€. Starting 2008

# Developing a H<sub>2</sub>-fuelled gas turbine combustor for LPM Operation Mode

- Targeting pre-combustion capture
- Key for coal based CCS systems
- Eliminating/reducing the dilution requirements
- Improving efficiency
- Approach:

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- Combustion & fluid-dynamics theory, advanced modelling and laser diagnostics
- Concept → demo





Project's consortium established in early 2008: SINTEF (Project owner and R&D), DLR (R&D partner), ALSTOM Power (Manufacturer). 3 phases. Budget of ~12 M€



# **BIGCCS** Centre

International CCS Research Centre Budget 47 M€over 8 years 2009-2016 26 partners, 8 nations

## **Objective:**

- 1. Contributing to the fulfilment of targets set by Norwegian parliamentarians in the Climate Accord (agreed upon in 2008)
- 2. Enabling sustainable power generation from fossil fuels based on costeffective  $CO_2$  capture, safe transport and geological storage of  $CO_2$



## **BIGCCS Centre structure**



# **BIGCCS Centre consortium**



- Storage → Addressing the North Sea, Norwegian Sea, Barents Sea
- CO<sub>2</sub> transport → flow phenomena and material challenges
- Capture → emerging processes, membranes and sorbents.
  Combustion of hydrogen in gas turbines and of fossil fuels with pure oxygen



# SOLVit Programme Budget 40 M€, 8 years (starting 2009)

Qualifying commercial absorption solvents (short term) including viable post-combustion systems based on absorption chemistry and adapted process design

- Taking stock of world-class experience in solvents and absorption technology

  - Qualification for large scale demo (100 000t CO<sub>2</sub>/yr) → testing at a most appropriate level



MTU: Mobile Test Unit (ACC)











# **SOLVit: Test facility in Trondheim**



# ECCSEL

# **European CCS Lab Infrastructure**

NTNU/SINTEF are jointly responsible for developing the pan-European CCS network of laboratories to one unit

## Budget: 81 M€ (whereof 23 M€ Norwegian financing) Operating from 2011 Officially put on the Roadmap



Together towards a solution

## Pan-European research infrastructure for CCS

(Refer http://www.ntnu.no/eccsel/index.php)



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# **The ECCSEL**

#### Norway

#### • NTNU/SINTEF

- Universitetssenteret på Svalbard (UNIS)
- Universitetet i Bergen (UiB)
- Institutt for Energiteknikk (IFE)
- International Research Institute of Stavanger (IRIS)
- StatoilHydro
- Aker Kværner

#### Europe

- DLR Stuttgart Institute of Combustion Technology Tyskland
- University of Stuttgart Tyskland
- Technical University of München Tyskland
- Eotvos Lerand Geophysical Institute of Hungary (ELGI) Ungarn
- Eidgenossische Technische Hochschule Zürich (ETH) Sveits
- Polish Academy of Sciences Polen
- Danmark og Grønlands Geologiske Undersøkelser (GEUS) Danmark
- University of Zagreb (RGN) Kroatia
- Netherlands Organisation for Applied Scientific Research (TNO) Nederland
- Technical University of Delft (TUD) Nederland
- IFP Frankrike

# RIS)

#### World

- USA (MIT)
- Kina (Tsinghua University & Shanghai Jiao Tong University)
- •Japan (RITE & KIFEE)

# Summarising

SINTEF:



- ... first to suggest capture and geological storage of  $CO_2$  as a climate mitigation option
- ... first CCS project in 1986
- ... instrumental in materialising CCS (e.g. Sleipner, 1996)
- ... major player in the European CCS R&D community
- ... profoundly addressing all aspects of the CO<sub>2</sub> chain

# International Actions on CCS in SINTEF:

- SINTEF's annual R&D budget dedicated to CCS exceeds 20 M€
- SINTEF is the largest R&D provider on CCS within EU-FP6/FP7, and
  - is the coordinator of some larger European CCS projects
  - operates the World's largest CCS R&D project (BIGCO2)
  - is the organiser of a biannual international CCS conference (TCCS)
- The BIGCCS project and the Pan-European CCS Lab (ECCSEL) enable SINTEF/NTNU and partners to offer facilities and environments for theoretical and experimental research under the hallmark:

# International Centre of Excellence on CCS

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  - the subordinate projects pertaining to CCS
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