

# NIA New Build Group Meeting More Than Just Electricity

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> July 2022



# **Nuclear Energy and Net Zero-Setting the Scene**

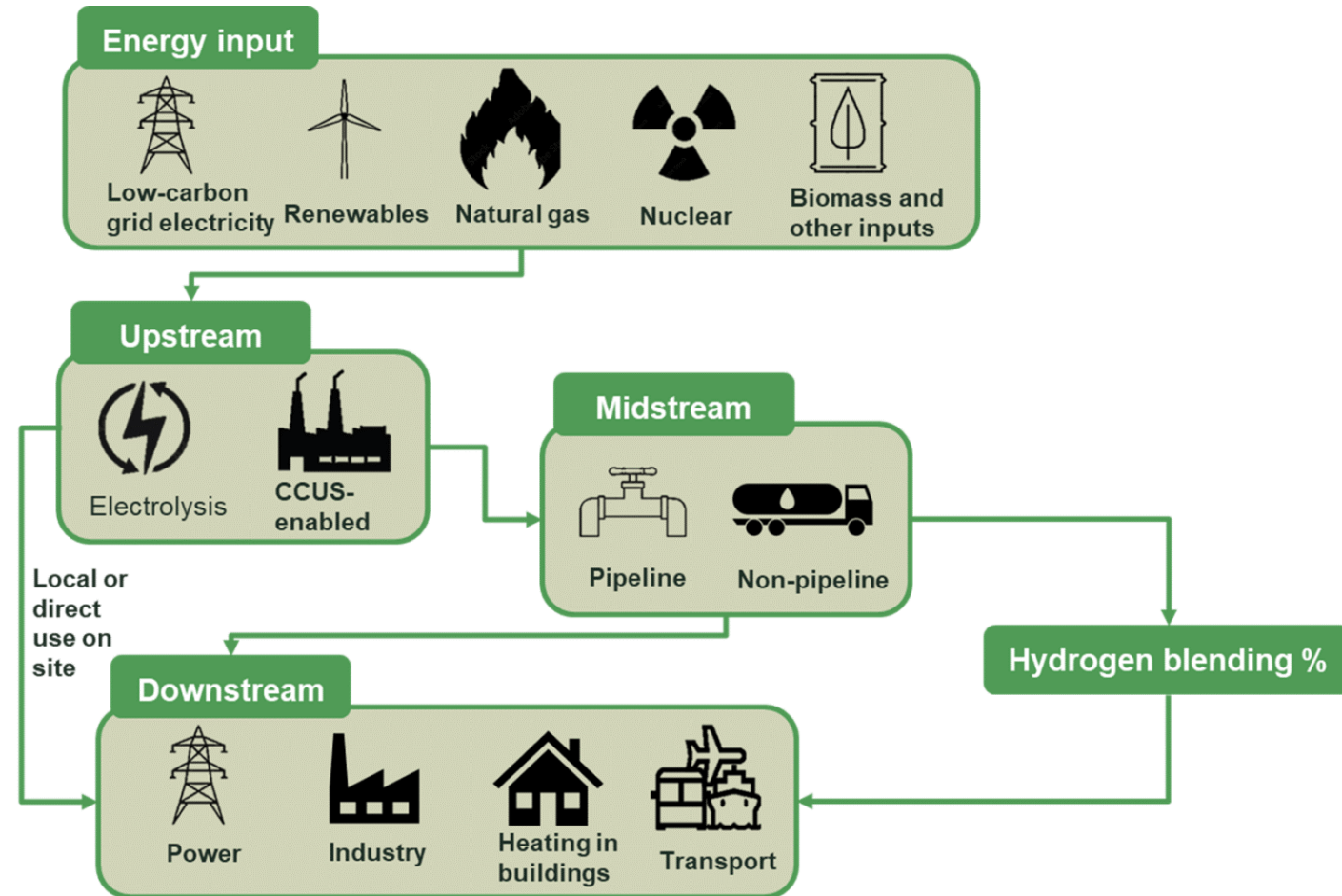
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**NIA New Build Working Group Meeting  
7<sup>th</sup> July 2022**

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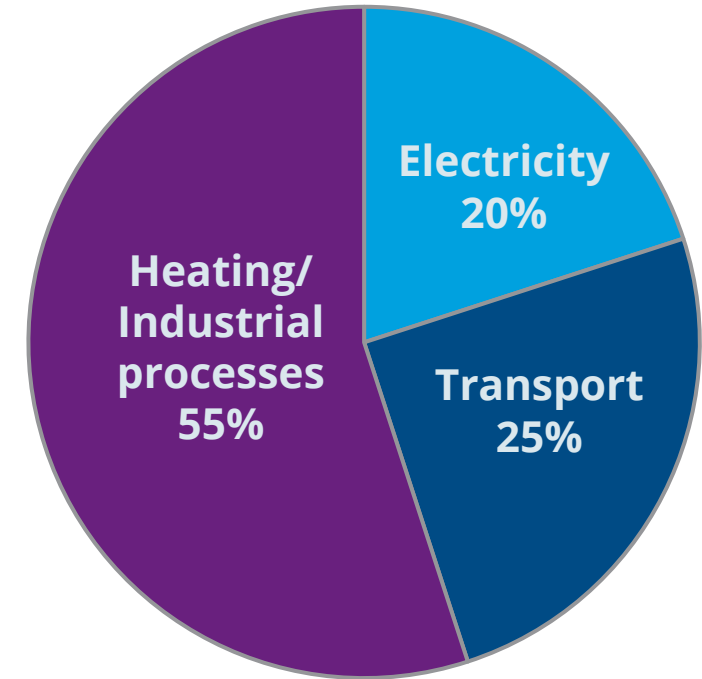
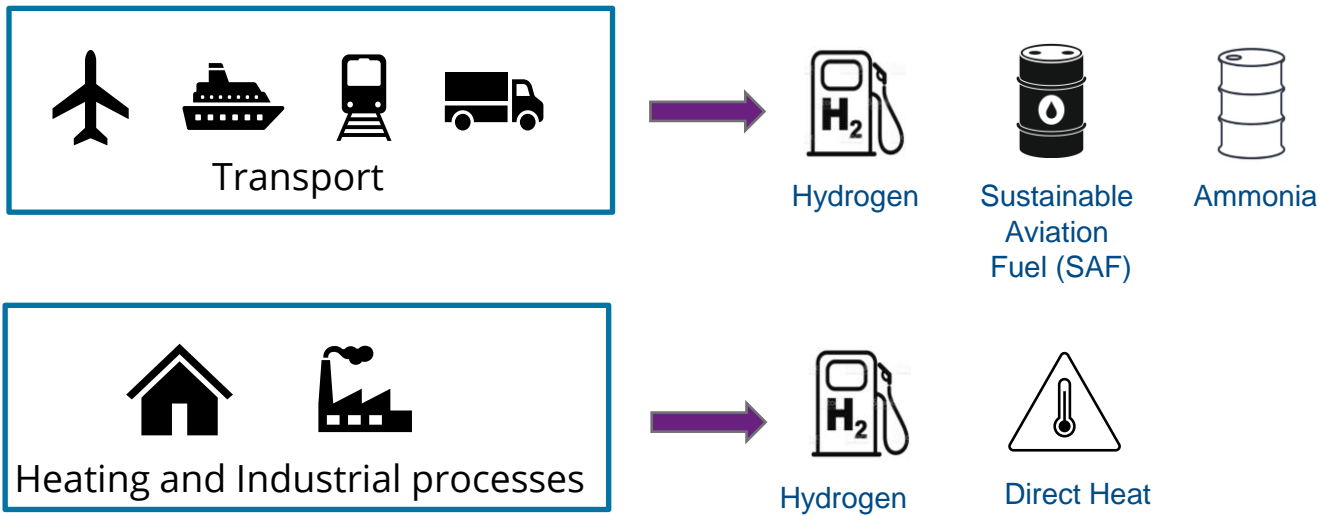
# Introduction: Stepping Back-what is our Challenge

- Nuclear has delivered on clean baseload electricity production for decades
- Higher penetrations of renewables come onto the grid, traditional baseload energy will need to operate more flexibly
- Important for nuclear to join up with other sectors that make up the energy system



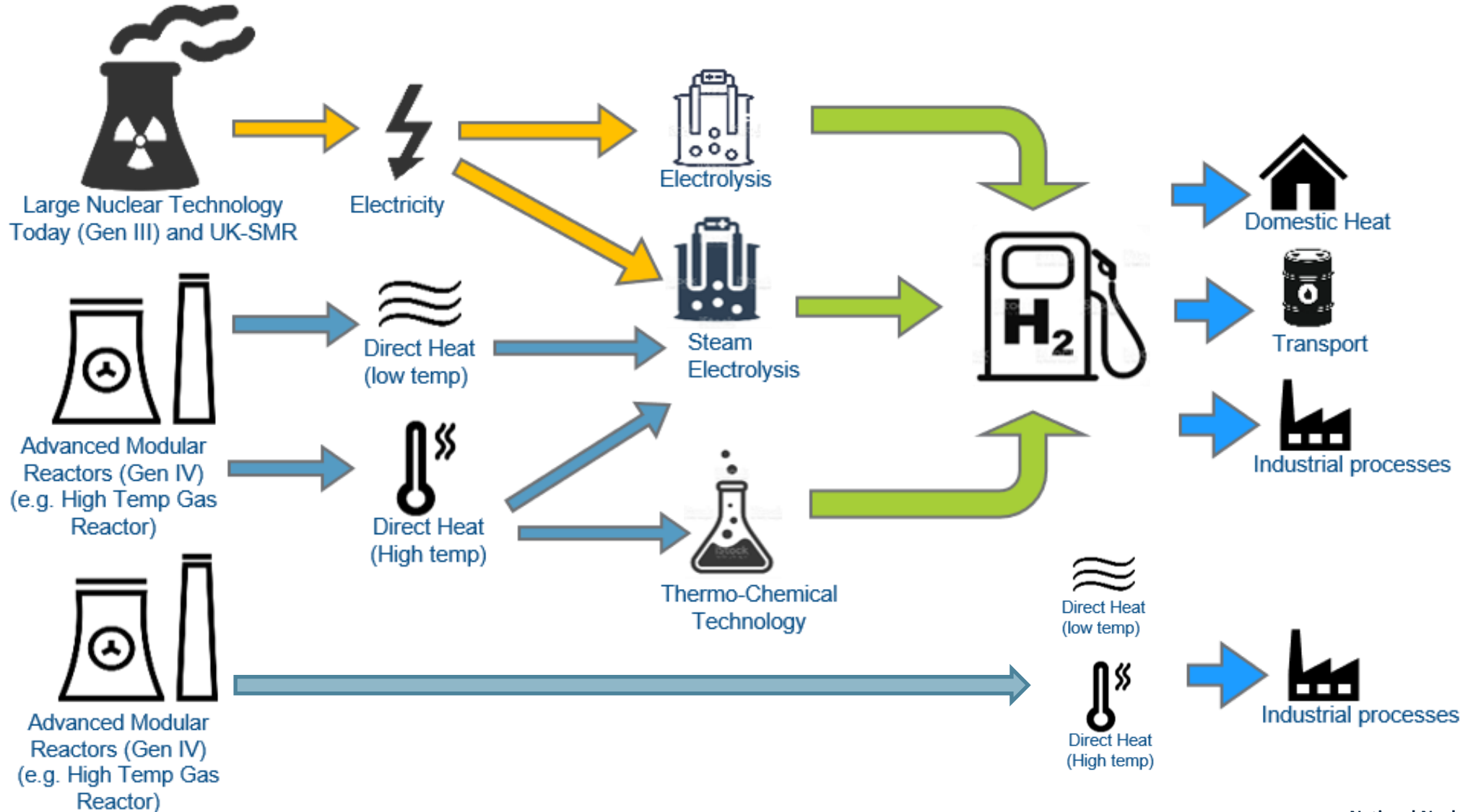
# Emission Sources

- Energy production 2/3 total global GHG Emissions
- Majority of this energy demand is non-electrical



Share of end energy use (global)

# Pathways to decarbonising Heat, Transport and Industry -Hydrogen & Heat



# NNL Nuclear Hydrogen Programme

Energy (electricity/heat)



Feedstock  
(plastic, water, etc.)

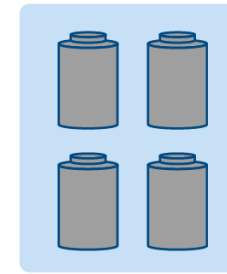
H<sub>2</sub> Production



Conversion



Storage

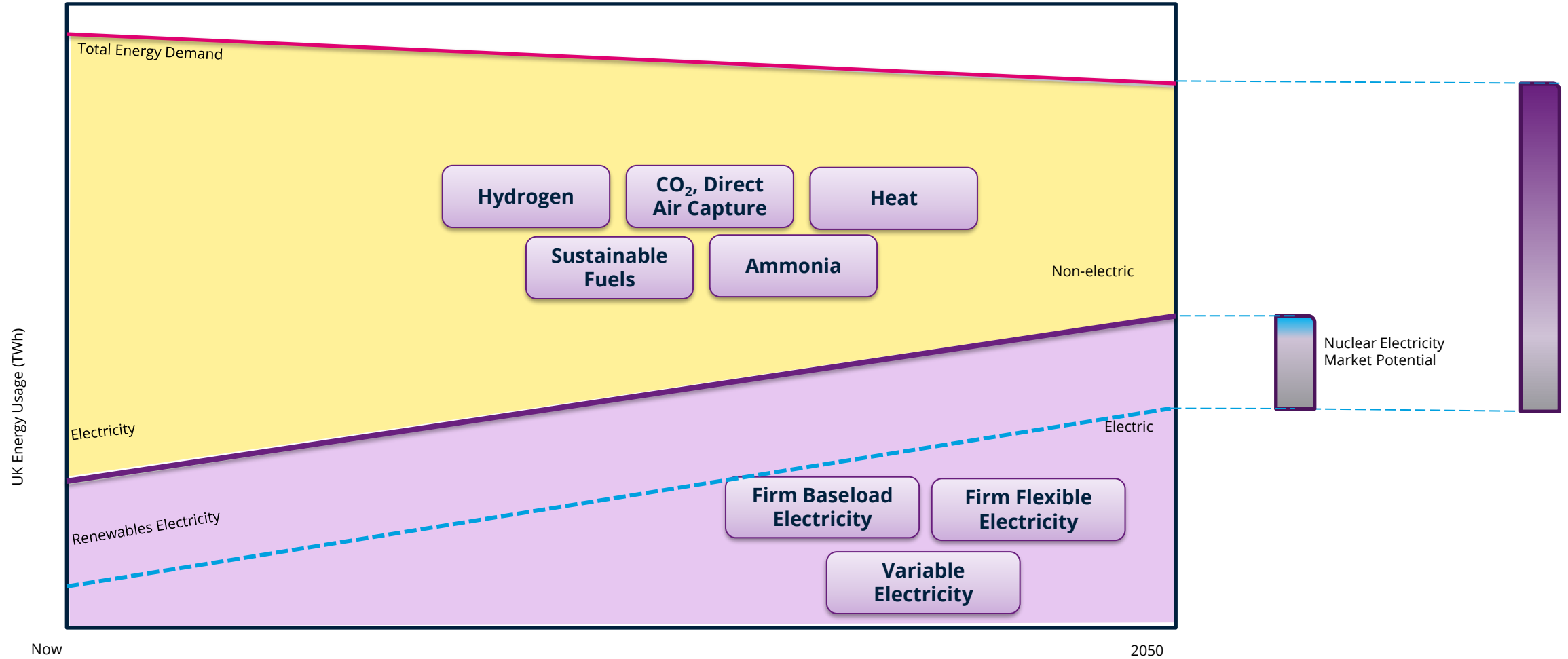


Transportation  
to customer



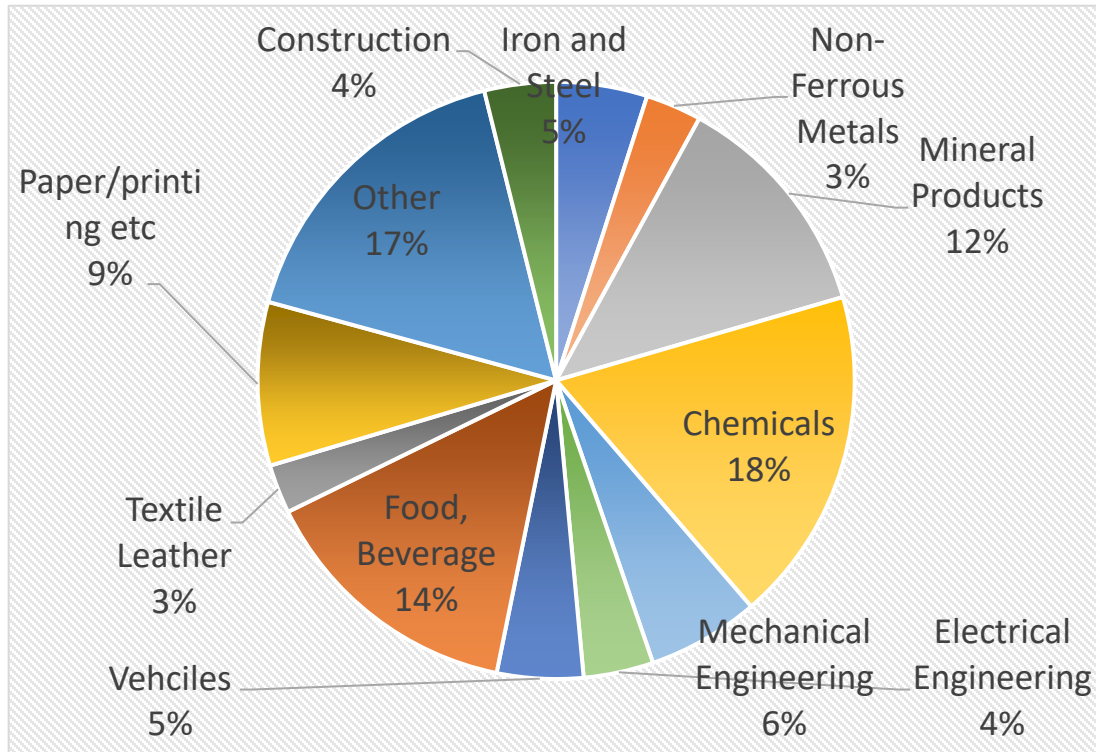
By considering the **cost driver benefits and dis-benefits** of nuclear for each stage of the supply chain in the **market and technology intersections**, we aimed to prioritise the areas where nuclear technology offers likely benefits compared to other hydrogen production technologies for techno-economic assessment in phase two. This included questions around **market, geography, competitors, technology** and **supply chain** to produce a standardised **qualitative** assessment of the viability of the **intersection**.

# Meeting future clean energy demand

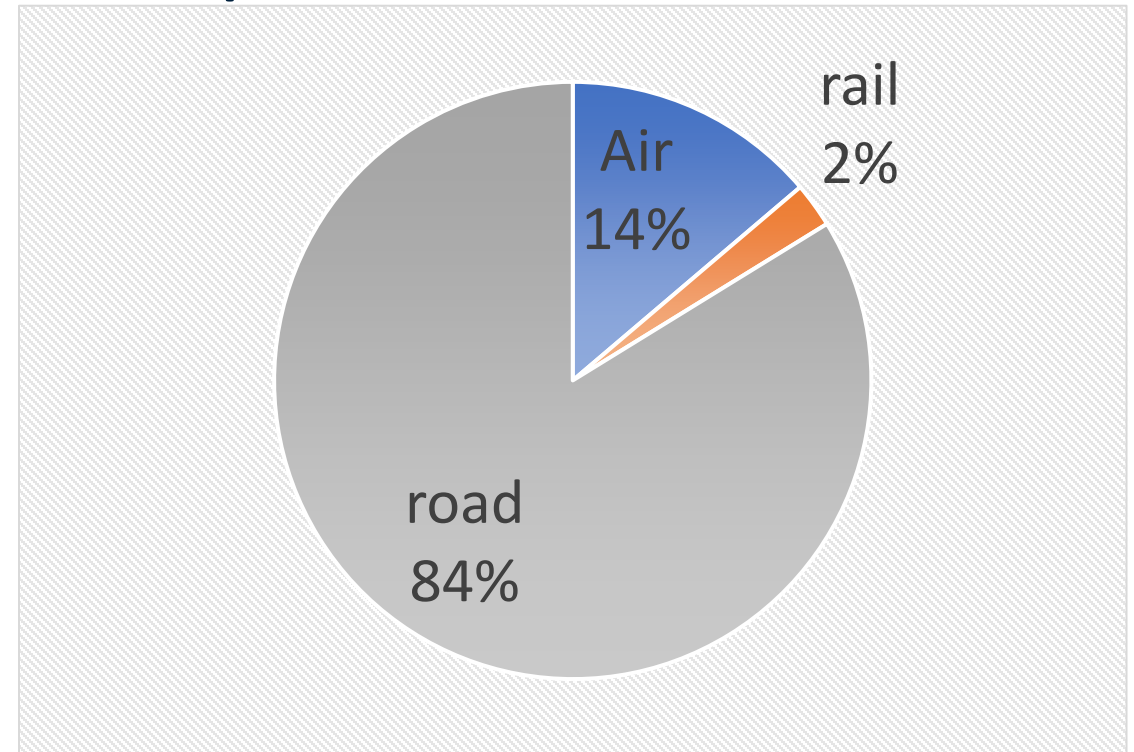


# Future Energy Users

## Industry



## Transport



*Aggregate Energy Balance*



## Energy Users Covering Heat Demand Today and Tomorrow

### Industrial Process Heat

Displacing  
**53 MtCO<sub>2</sub>e**  
of emissions and  
**203 TWh**  
of energy consumption

### Derivative Fuels

Displacing  
**63 MtCO<sub>2</sub>e**  
of emissions and  
**187 TWh**  
of energy consumption

### Hydrogen Production

Displacing  
**107 MtCO<sub>2</sub>e**  
of emissions and  
**463 TWh**  
of energy consumption

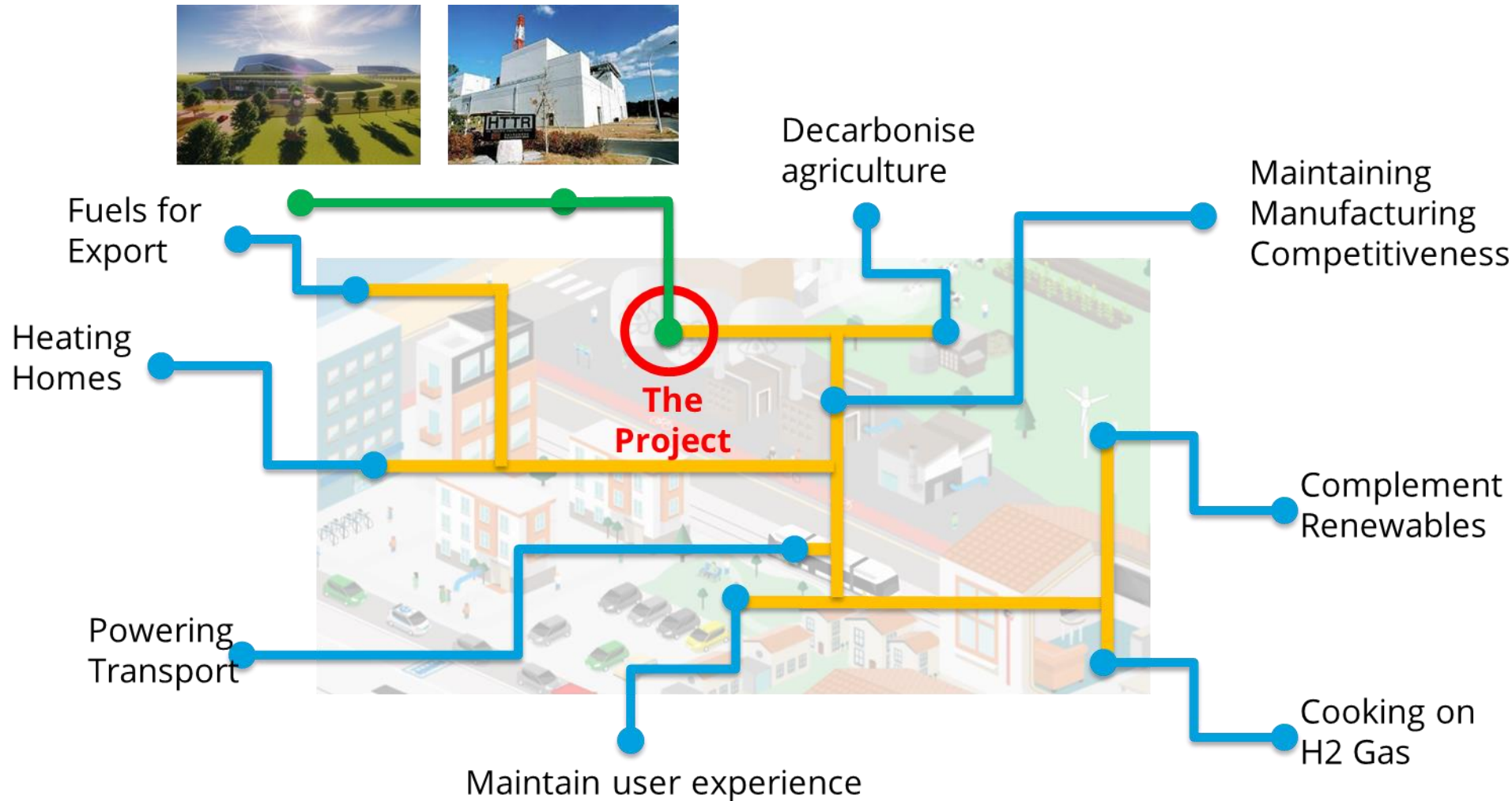
# Scale of Opportunity

	GW scale LWR with direct electrolysis	UK SMR with direct electrolysis	UK SMR with low temperature steam electrolysis	HTGR with steam electrolysis	HTGR with thermochemical processes	LMFR with thermochemical processes	LMFR with steam electrolysis
Industrial – Chemicals	2	6	4	3	2	2	2
Industrial – Refineries	2	6	4	3	3	2	2
Mobility – Small scale land	41	154	101	62	61	37	51
Mobility – Large scale land	15	54	36	22	22	13	18
Mobility – Air	18	68	45	27	27	16	23
Mobility – Sea	4	13	9	5	5	3	5
Mobility - Space	1	2	1	1	1	1	1
Electricity & Storage							
Heating – Domestic	58	215	141	86	85	51	71
Heating - Industrial	19	71	47	29	28	17	24
<b>Total</b>	<b>160</b>	<b>589</b>	<b>388</b>	<b>238</b>	<b>234</b>	<b>142</b>	<b>197</b>

Where available, the values in the boxes indicate the number of reactors of that type that are estimated to be required to fulfil 100% of UK 2019 demand

Based on current available forecasts for overall plant efficiencies and data from DUKES 2020. Assumes constant consumption throughout year

# Creating Momentum-Stakeholder Engagement



# Example of Nuclear Industry Cross Sector Working



## Unlocking the UK's Nuclear Hydrogen Economy to Support Net Zero:

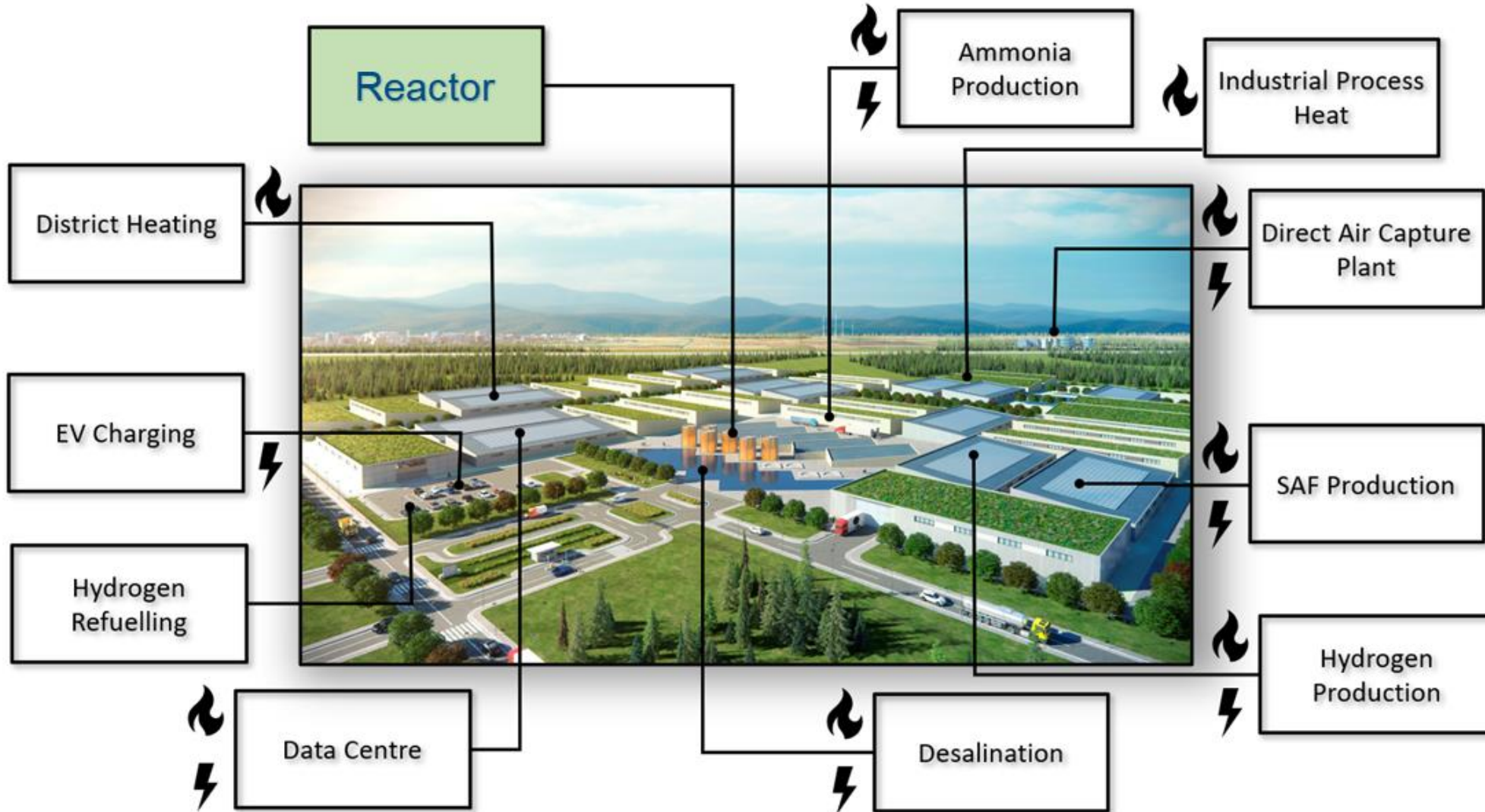
A Cross-Sector Action Plan for Consideration  
by the Nuclear Industry Council

JULY 2021

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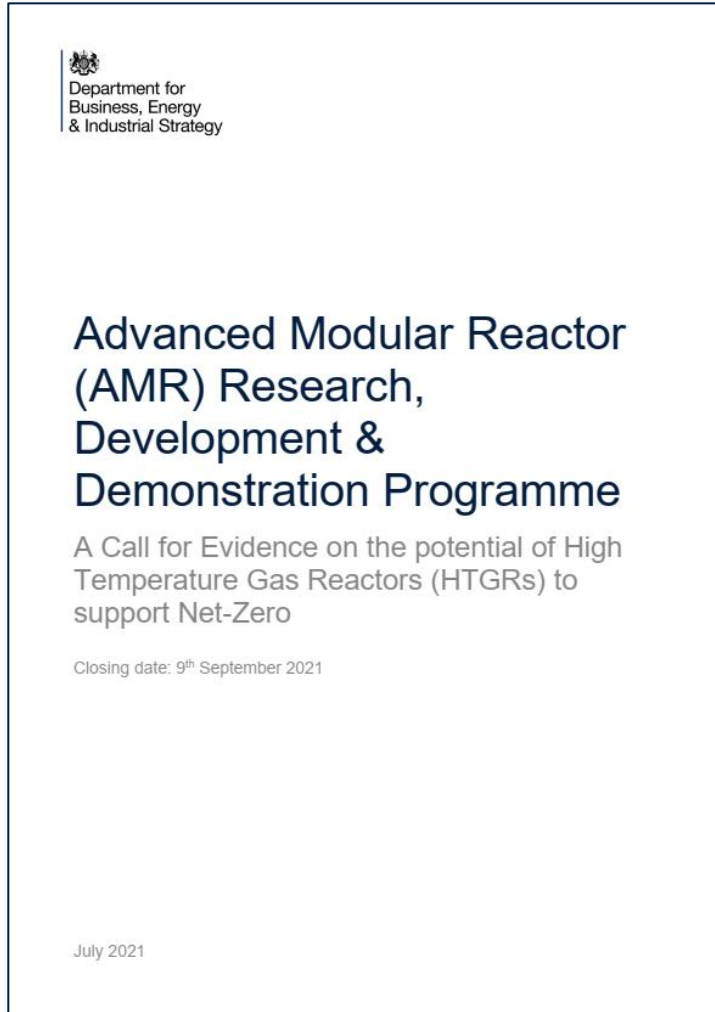
# The Role of Nuclear

## AMR infrastructure - The addressable market



# AMR Research, Development and Demonstration

The UK prioritises HTGR for demonstration



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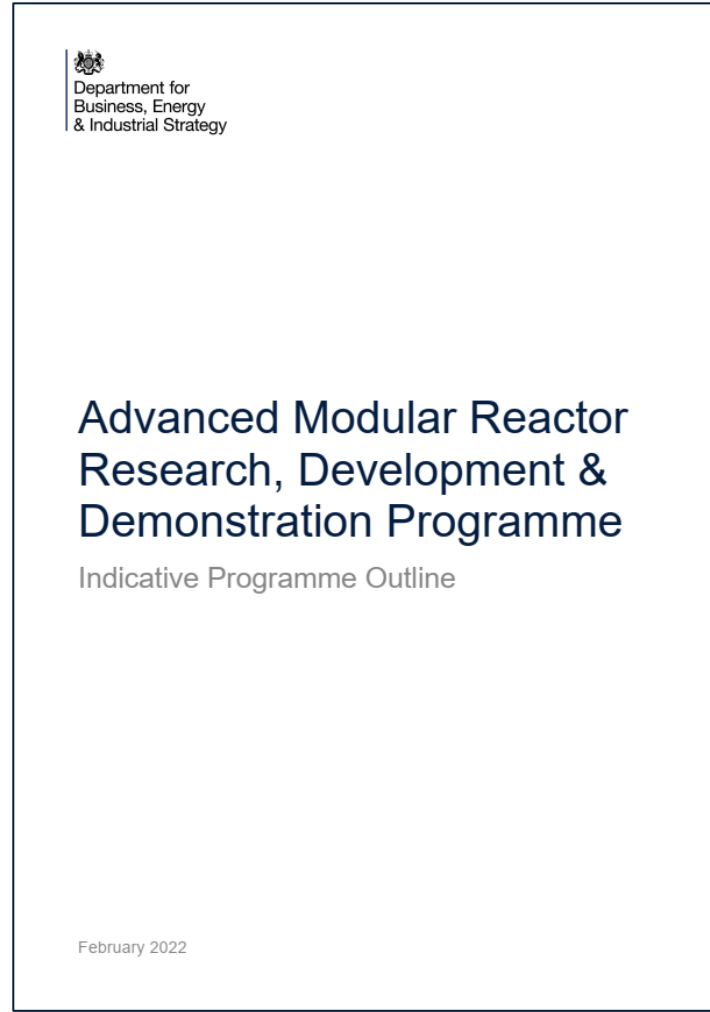
## Advanced Modular Reactor (AMR) Research, Development & Demonstration Programme

A Call for Evidence on the potential of High  
Temperature Gas Reactors (HTGRs) to  
support Net-Zero

Closing date: 9<sup>th</sup> September 2021

July 2021

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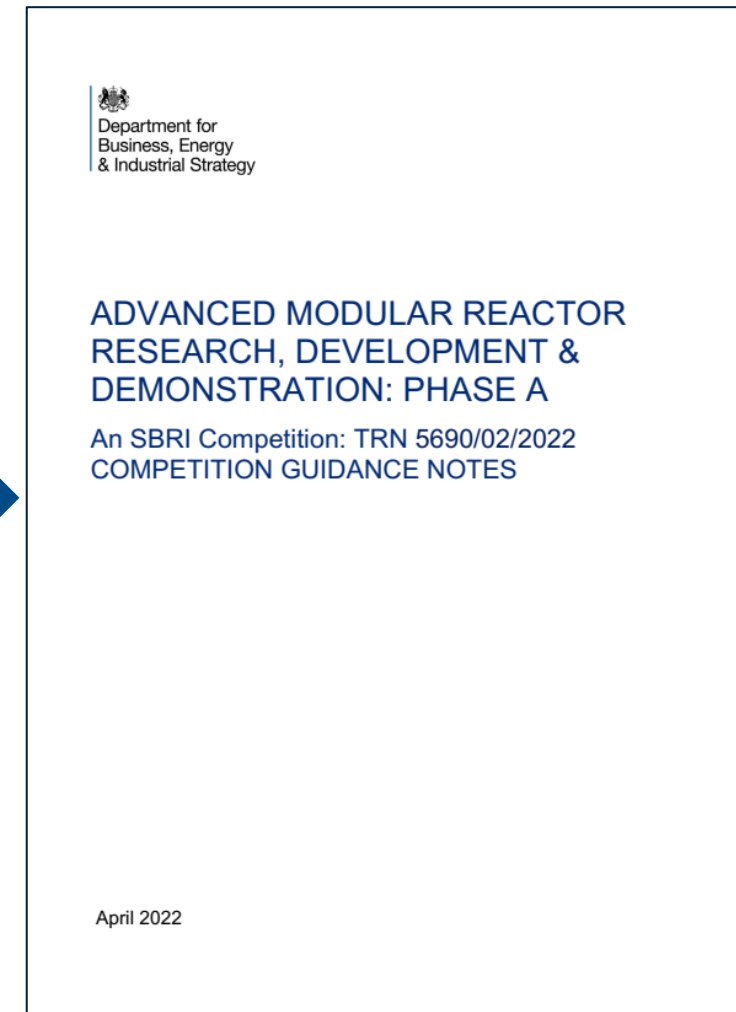
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## Advanced Modular Reactor Research, Development & Demonstration Programme

Indicative Programme Outline

February 2022

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## ADVANCED MODULAR REACTOR RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT & DEMONSTRATION: PHASE A

An SBRI Competition: TRN 5690/02/2022  
COMPETITION GUIDANCE NOTES

April 2022

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# Thank you

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# Nuclear Advanced Technologies

NIA New Build Group, July 2022



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(Nuclear, Renewables, Smart, Built)

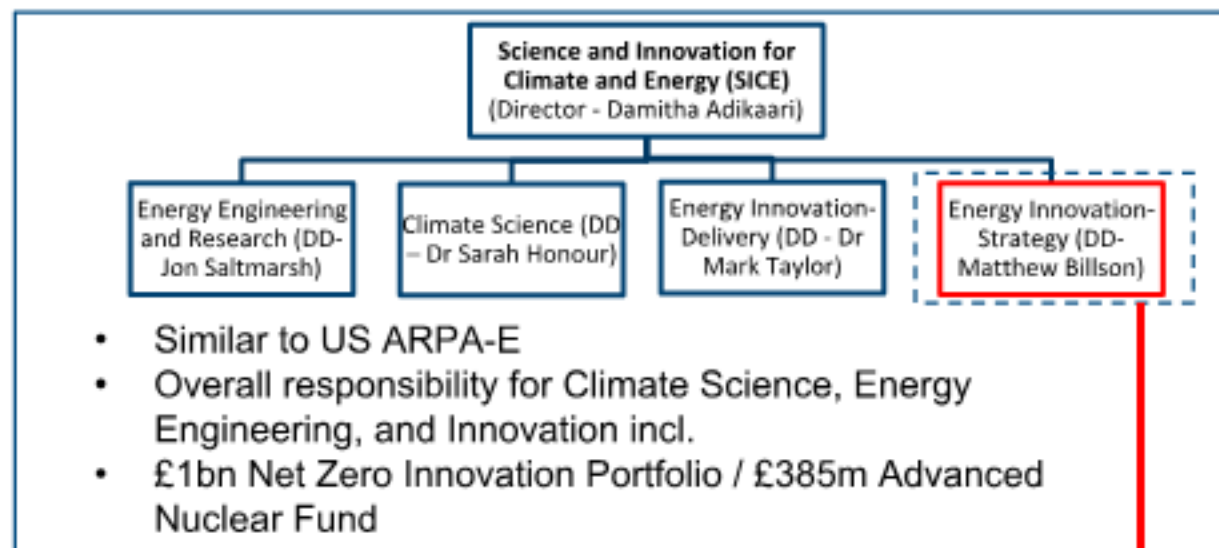


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# Context

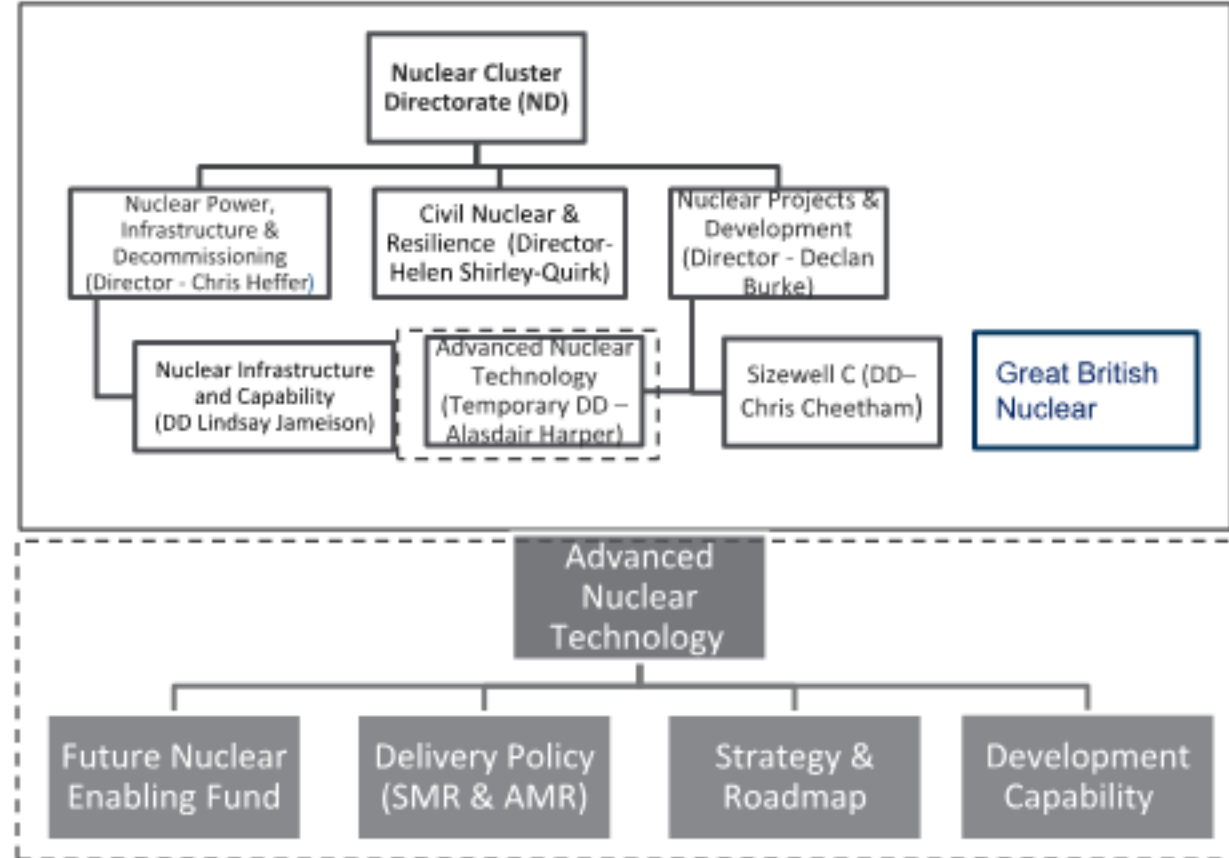




- **£385m Advanced Nuclear Fund**, including:
  - RR-SMR "Low Cost Nuclear" R&D project (£210m grant)
  - AMR Research, Development & Demonstration Programme
- £56m Advanced Fuels with NNL ("AFCP"), funded from 2019 onwards

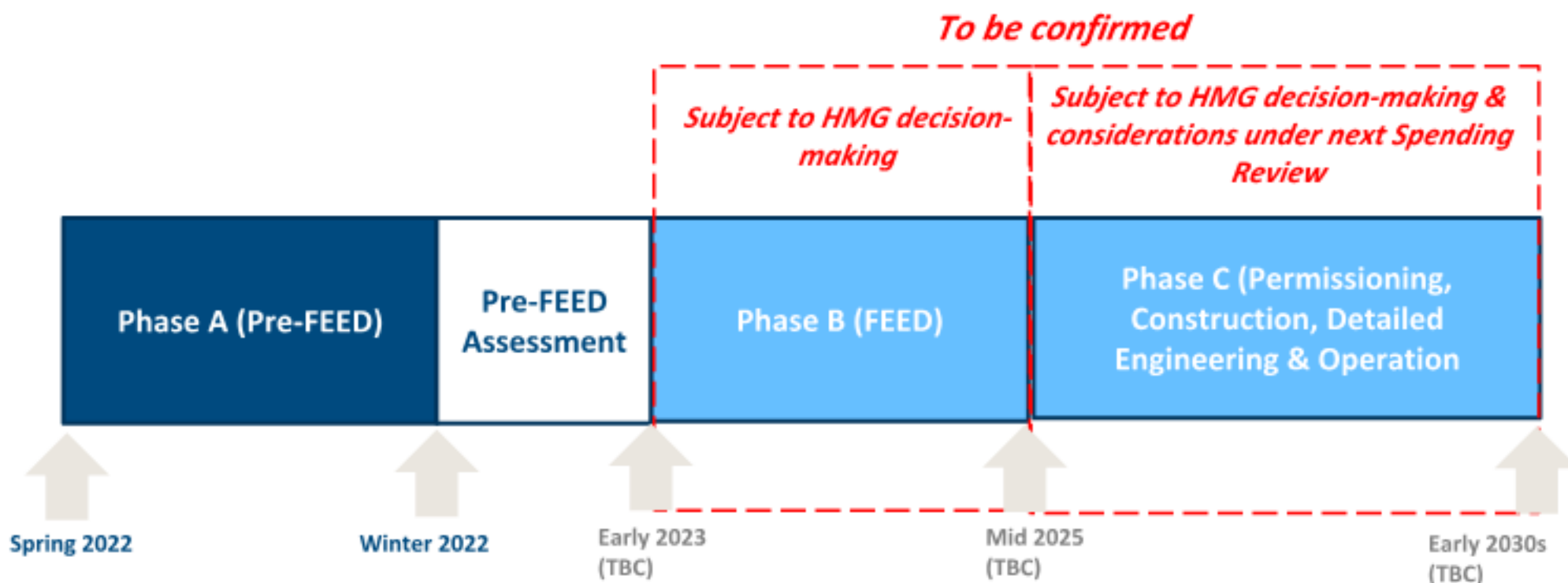


**SICE led** – technology focused. Provides the evidence, seed IP and direct technology investment (grants & procurement). *Opportunity for nuclear policy to shape where and what innovation funding is spent on and to what end.*



**ND led** - sets the aims and policy to influence both industry and innovation. Provides the structures and support that enable technologies to commercialise. (Regulation, Enabling Fund, delivery model). *How does government policy enable confidence for investment to cross the valley of death and then to succeed commercially?*

# AMR - Proposed conceptual approach





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**New Build Frigate Digital Transformation  
Integrated Design, Build and Support**

7th July 2022

# Digital Transformation & the Digital Thread



## Digital Facility

- Detail Design - distributed digital design and approvals.
- Production – Seamless transfer of information from design to build and full digital vessel acceptance and configuration.

## Digital Twins

At the heart of digital tech. applications and transforming how complex assets are built & supported.

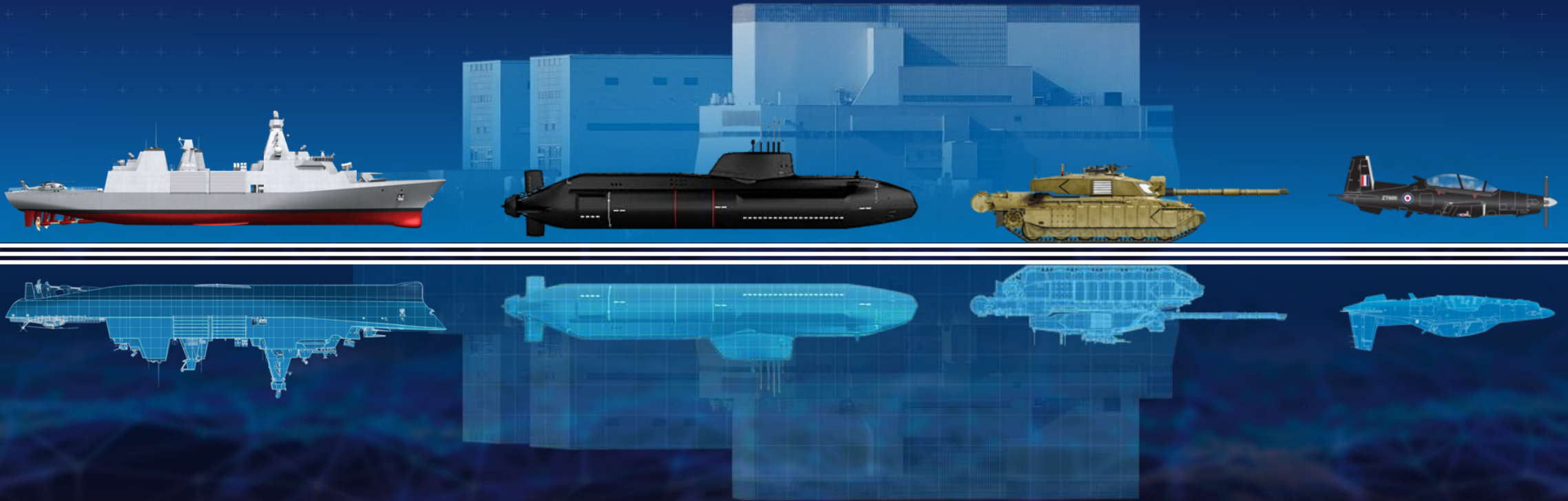
## iSupport360

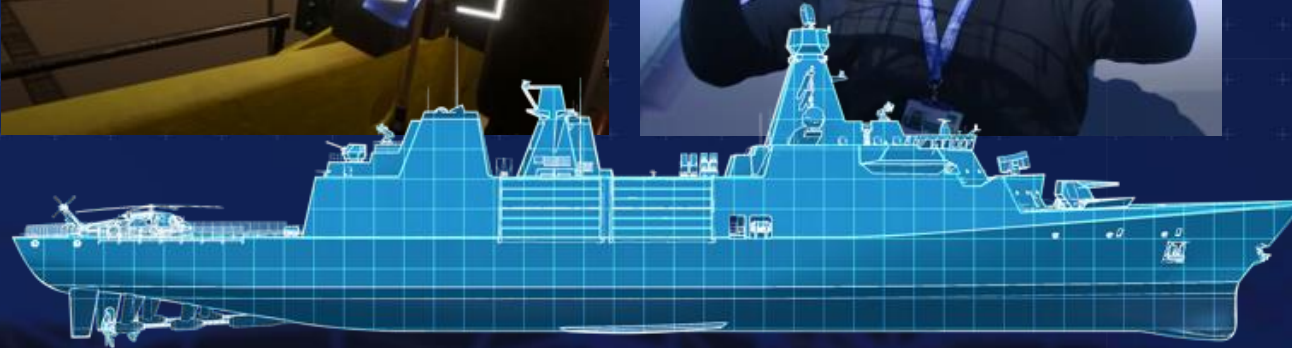
- Programmatic approach to solve complex challenges: through advanced analytics and digitisation.
- Deliver expertise: understand the data, understand the asset.
- Agility: Adapt as the journey changes. Responding more quickly to changing demands and conditions.

## Secure Communications

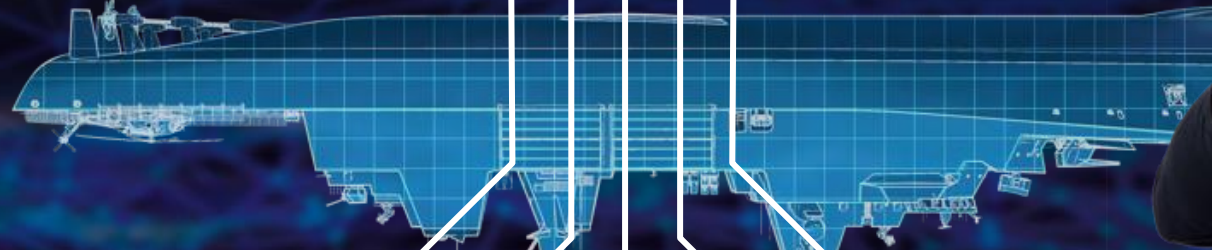
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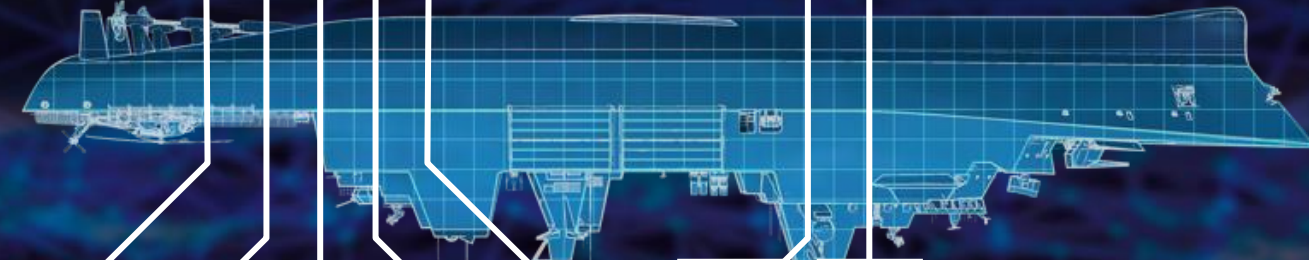
Innovation through collaboration. Empowered by technology.



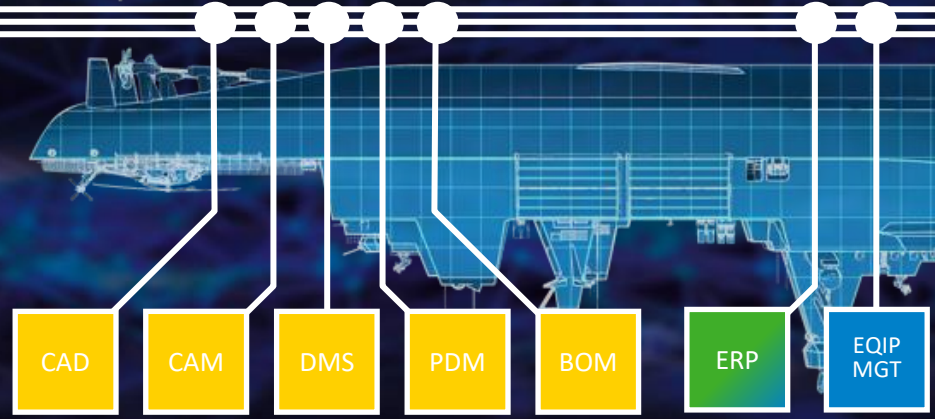
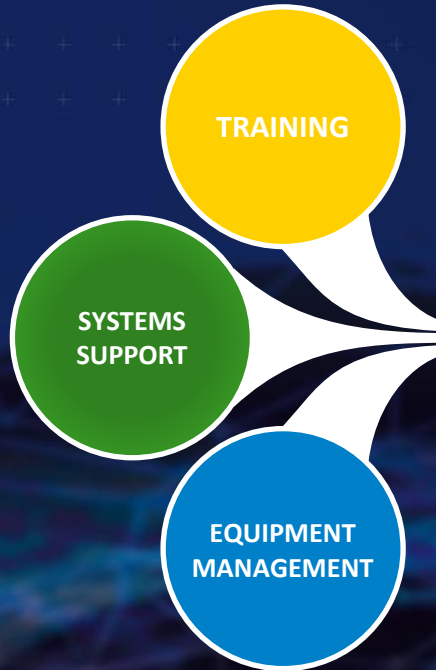


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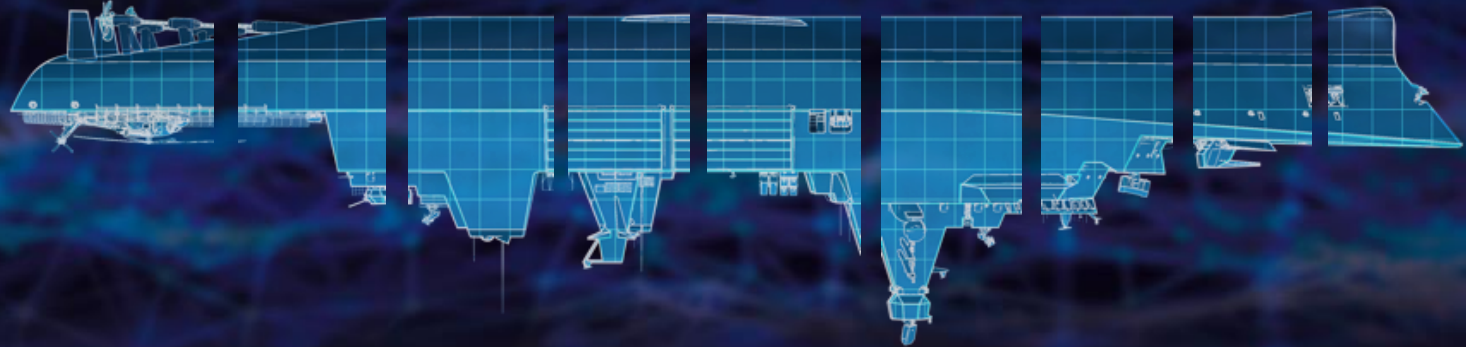
**OPERATION**



# MAINTENANCE



**DISMANTLING &  
DISPOSAL**



**TRAINING**

**SYSTEMS  
SUPPORT**

**EQUIPMENT  
MANAGEMENT**



# Digital Facility

# Digital Facility

It's about integrating technology so everything works together, coupled with a shift in mindset to be more dynamic and responsive.

Our Digital Facility transformation will touch many areas of our shipyard, including:

- Having data flowing from design to delivery seamlessly
- Greater automation and repeatability
- Minimal paper on the shop-floor.

The Digital Facility will help us realise the **full potential of our people and assets** to deliver successful projects, be more competitive and secure future work.



**Employee driven improvement and innovation**

# Digital Facility in Practice



**Skills and Engagement**  
Engage and develop long-term plans to enhance everyone's digital skills



**Workflow and Data**  
Getting the information to the people who need it, and analysing data to make better decisions quickly



**Asset Management**  
Keeping all our equipment and assets running as best as they can



**System Architecture**  
Making computers talk to computers... Enter data once and re-use it many times across the business



**Process Automation**  
Using technology to make it easier to do the job



**Technology R&D**  
Focused R&D to trial new technologies that can help us to continue being world-class



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**Digital skills training for shop floor personnel empowering them to use technology to access information they require such as 3D models**

**Training of "Super Users" for critical software packages embedded within front-line teams to maximise utilisation & capability of tool-set at the point of use**

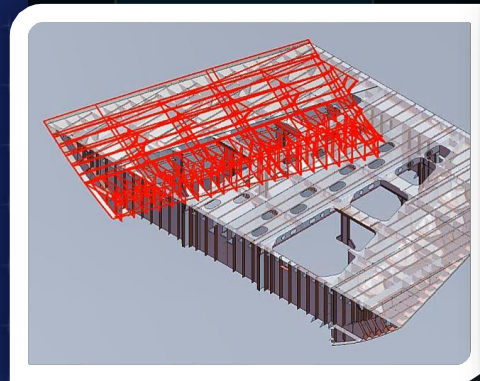


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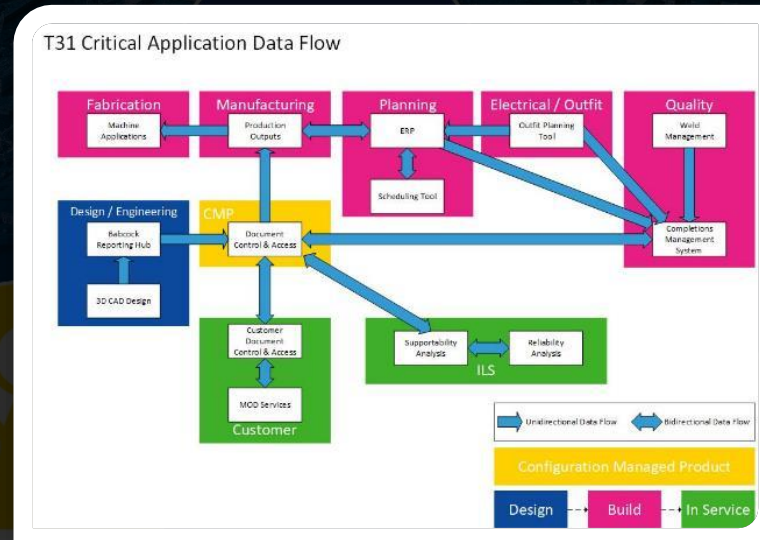
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# Digital Facility in Practice



Managed exports of 3D models straight into the production management tool for nesting and digital control instructions for our state of the art machines: significantly reducing the need for 2D drawing, saving time and resource



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Development of a fully integrated Information Knowledge Management System which integrates core applications allowing for automated data transfers for better data quality & continuous flow of re-used data



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## Workflow and Data

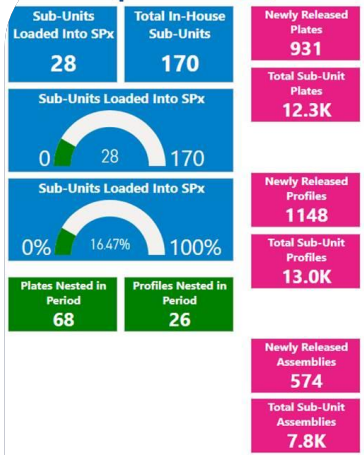
Getting the information to the people who need it, and analysing data to make better decisions quickly



Introduction of mobile devices and shop floor kiosks allow operation teams to have information accessible at the point of work

With shop floor digitisation implemented, data is updated as work is completed, allowing for real time reporting analytics

### SPX Completion Data



**Process Automation**  
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# Digital Facility in Practice



**T-Beam Machine**  
increasing  
productivity and  
quality

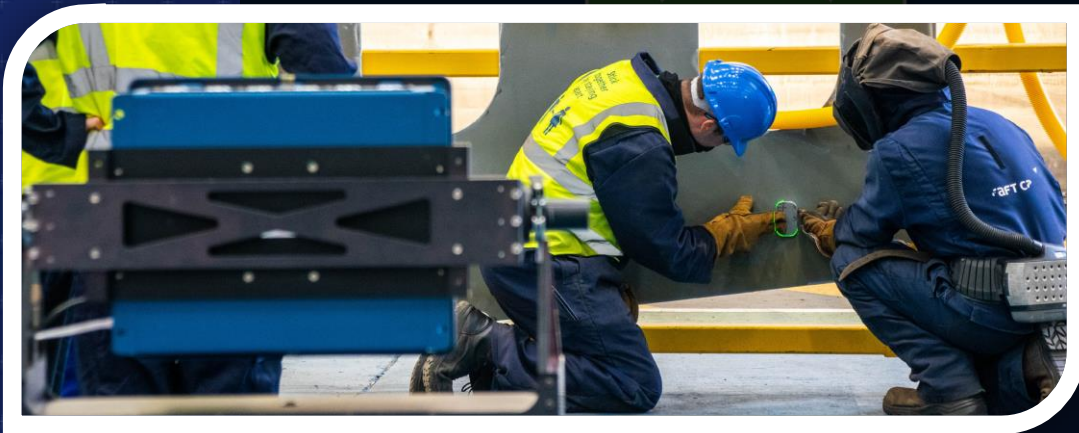
The FARO Laser projector allows the fitting of outfit items to the ship to be done without the need of additional 2D drawings and traditional manual measuring and fitting

## Workflow and Data

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**Panel Line with automated marking & cutting and robotic welding** capable of producing complete ship deck & bulk heads



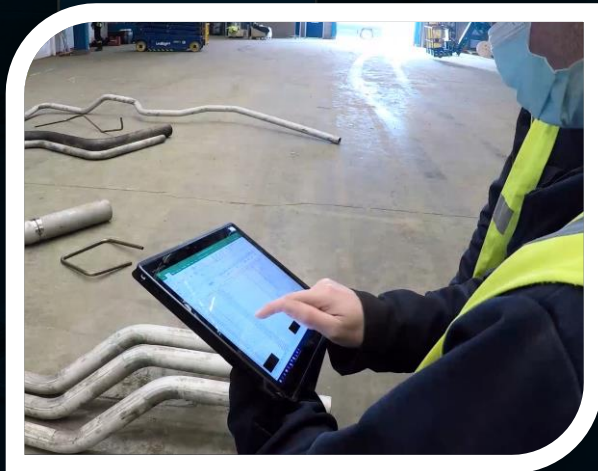
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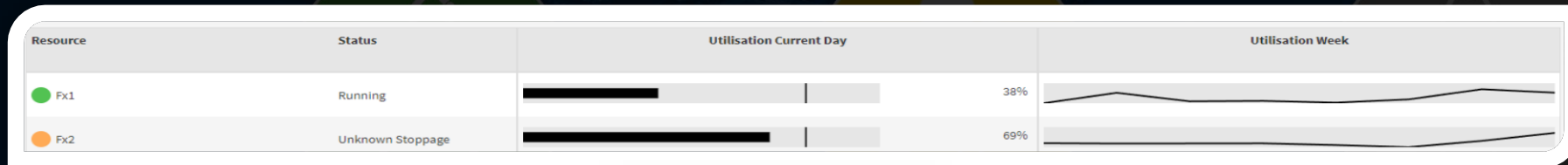
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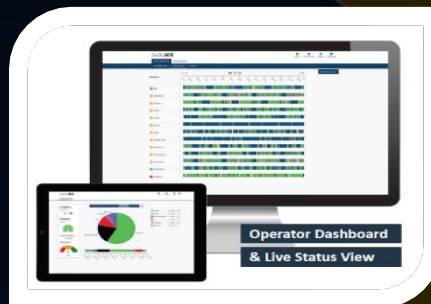
## Asset Management

Keeping all our equipment and assets running as best as they can

Fully networked machining centres allowing for remote access for troubleshooting & maintenance support



Data capture of asset utilisation allowing for improved capacity planning



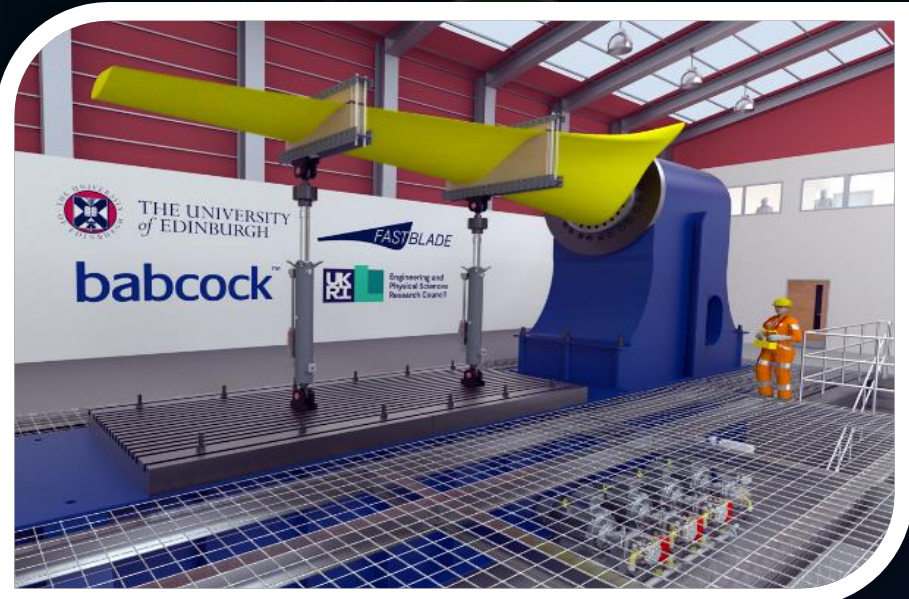
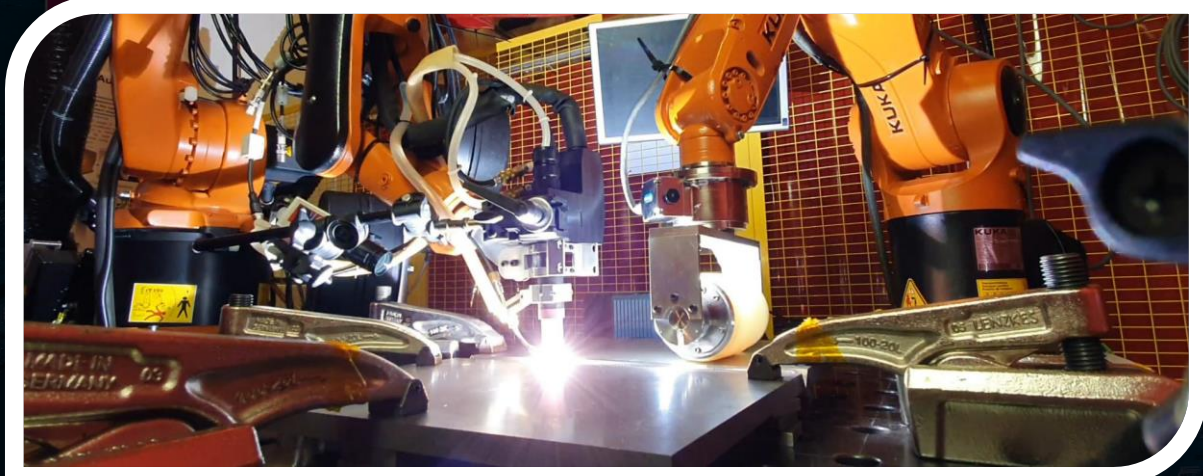
## Technology R&D

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# Digital Facility in Practice

Skills and Engagement  
Engage and develop  
your team plans to enhance

**Research into using machine learning to deliver high-integrity welding, weld inspection and potentially weld certification in near real time as part of the AWESIM Project**



**Fastblade facility developing tidal turbine technology along with digital twin knowledge and application**



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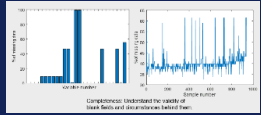
# Digital Twins Enabling innovation



Innovation through collaboration.

Empowered by technology.

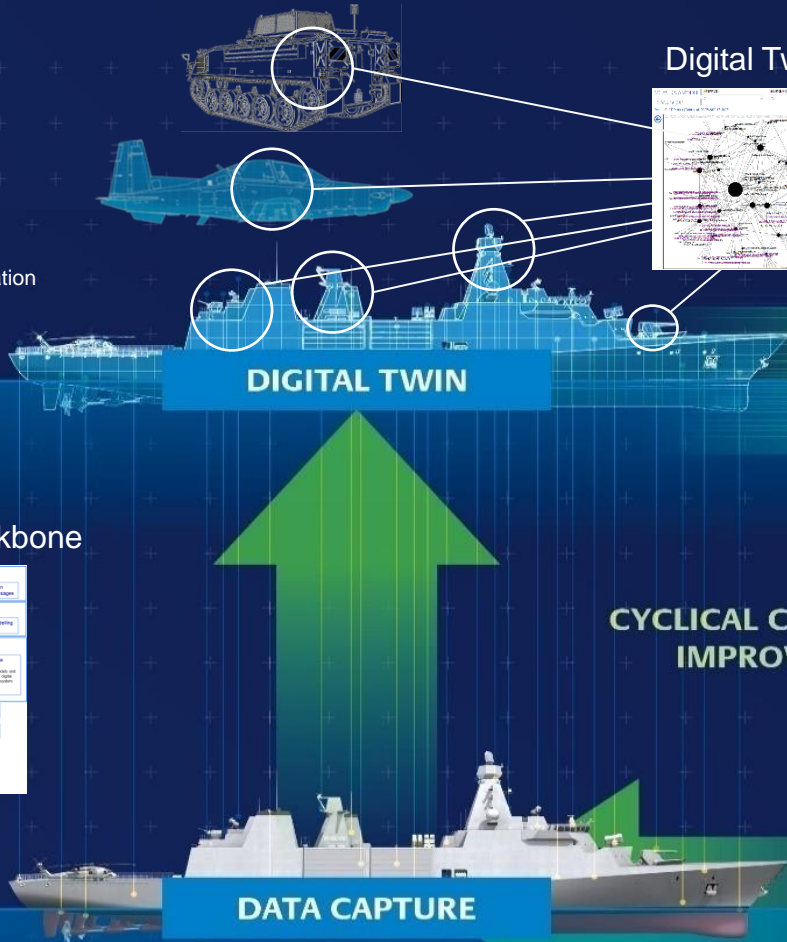
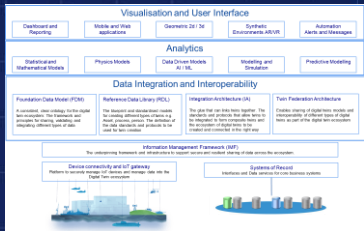
# Application of Digital Twins



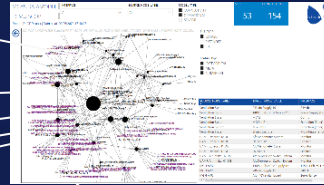
Data Quality Assurance application of AI

- Phase 1: Identification and quantification of data problems
- Phase 2: Data restoration
- Phase 3: Data restructuring and reconciliation

Common Reference Architecture & Digital Backbone



Digital Twin Models



System of Systems Platform Model

- Composite & Federated Digital Twin
- Standards Based approach
- Open Architecture Frameworks

**iSupport<sup>360</sup>**

**DATA ANALYTICS, MODELLING, SIMULATION & PREDICTION**



**DECISION MAKING, PLANNING & IMPLEMENTATION**

Lifing Models



System Modelling



Operating Models



Asset Digitisation

- Engineering Analysis
- Sensor application
- Edge – Data capture and processing
- Edge – Digital Twin model deployment



# iSupport360 - Improving Availability

- Improving availability, while reducing cost & risk;
  - Data analytics
  - Predictive maintenance
  - Digital twin
- Exploiting & integrating our breadth of capabilities;
  - Engineering & ILS
  - Support Delivery
  - Equipment Management
  - Technology
  - Training



# Digitally Enabled Performance & Support Solution

Data Driven Understanding of Availability and Reliability

Optimised System Performance

Transformed Support Solution



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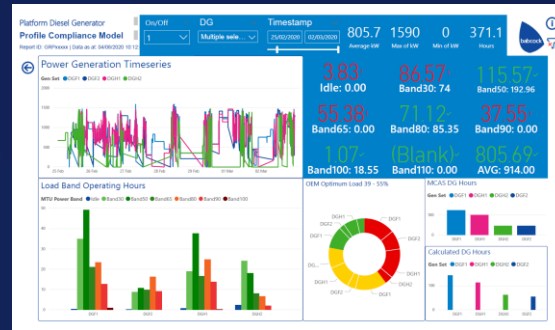
Operating Load & Profile Analysis

System of Systems Analysis

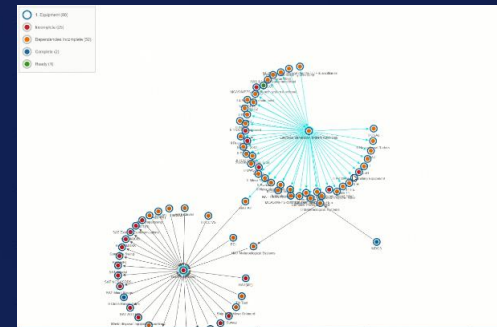
Detailed Equipment Forecasts

DATA BARRIER

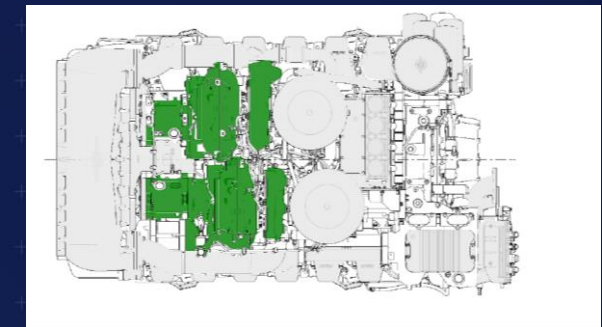
METRICS



LIFE MODEL



SYSTEM INTERDEPENDENCIES



PLANNING FORESIGHT



Running Hours & Failure Data

USE OF DATA

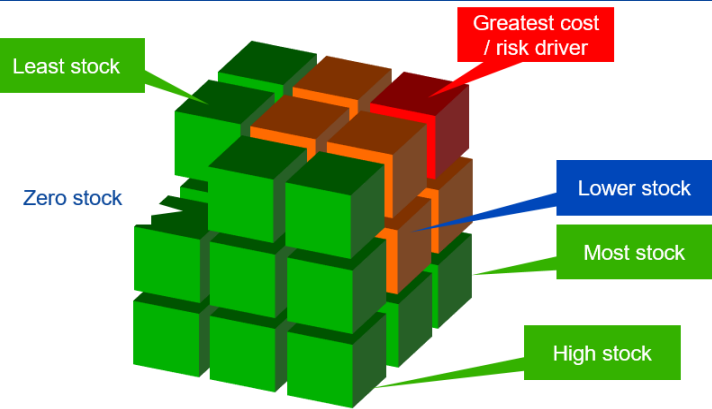


# Operations Centre – Intelligent Support Planning



Data Capture

## Red Cube – Supply Chain Optimisation



## Optimised Support Fleet View Dashboards



## Intelligent Decision Support



Data Analytics

## Technology Exploitation



# What makes our approach different?



**Adopting an incremental approach**

We break development down into discrete stages that provides benefits earlier, creating insight and removing future risk.



**Analysing at the edge**

We reduce transmission overhead by taking the processing to the asset, delivering immediate intelligence to the maintainers.



**Adding the missing data**

Many existing systems lack the engineering data to create a Digital Twin or provide effective support. We use sensor data and analysis to create modern data packs.



**Applying Digital Twins to existing equipment**

We believe that the biggest and most immediate gains are derived by improving the reliability of existing in-service equipment.



**Accessing the broader support model**

We integrate Digital Twins with our other support capabilities, including spares optimisation, logistics support and training.

# Advanced Welding Equipment System for Inspection and Monitoring (AWESIM )

## In-Process Weld Inspection

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## Before AWESIM – Separate Distinct Disciplines



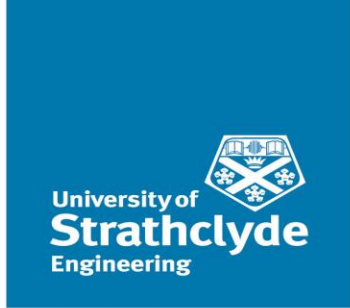
**Fusion Arc Welding**



**Non-destructive  
testing (NDT)  
inspection**

- Sequential activities
- Different disciplines
- Feedback loop slow (hours to days)

# AWESIM Introduction



- **AWESIM (Advanced Welding Equipment System for Inspection and Monitoring)**

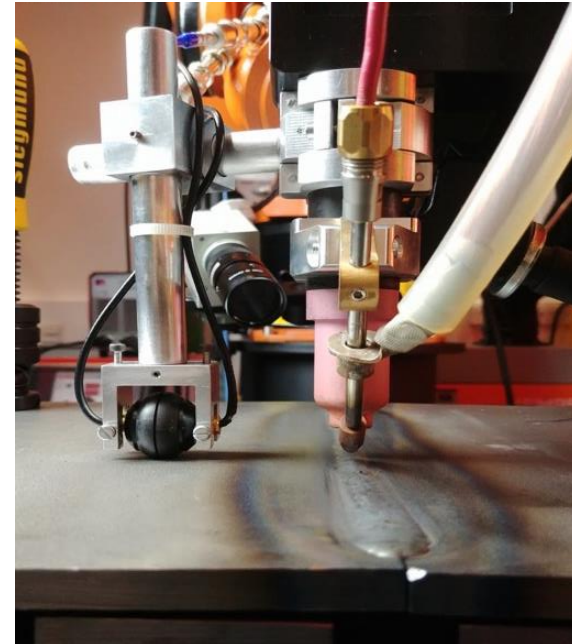


- AWESIM Stage 1 builds upon the in-process inspection activities of the EPSRC Prosperity Partnership and builds on the collaboration on the SIMPLE project with the Nuclear AMRC at University of Sheffield.



# In-Process Ultrasonic Weld Inspection

- Quality of weld measured at point of deposition
- ***Defects detected when they occur***
- ***Reduced rework when compared to completed fully-filled welds***
- ***Increased Schedule Certainty***
- Increased Throughput
- Reduced Production Time
- Increased safety and lifetime benefits
- Opportunity for Process Control



# In-Process Inspection Challenges

**Coupling – Traditional  
Liquid Coupling will  
invariably introduce defects**

**Electromagnetic  
Interference**

**Signal to Noise  
Challenges**



**Probe  
Deployment**

**High-Temperatures  
experienced in close  
proximity to weld**

**Speed of sound varying due  
to temperature change in  
material**

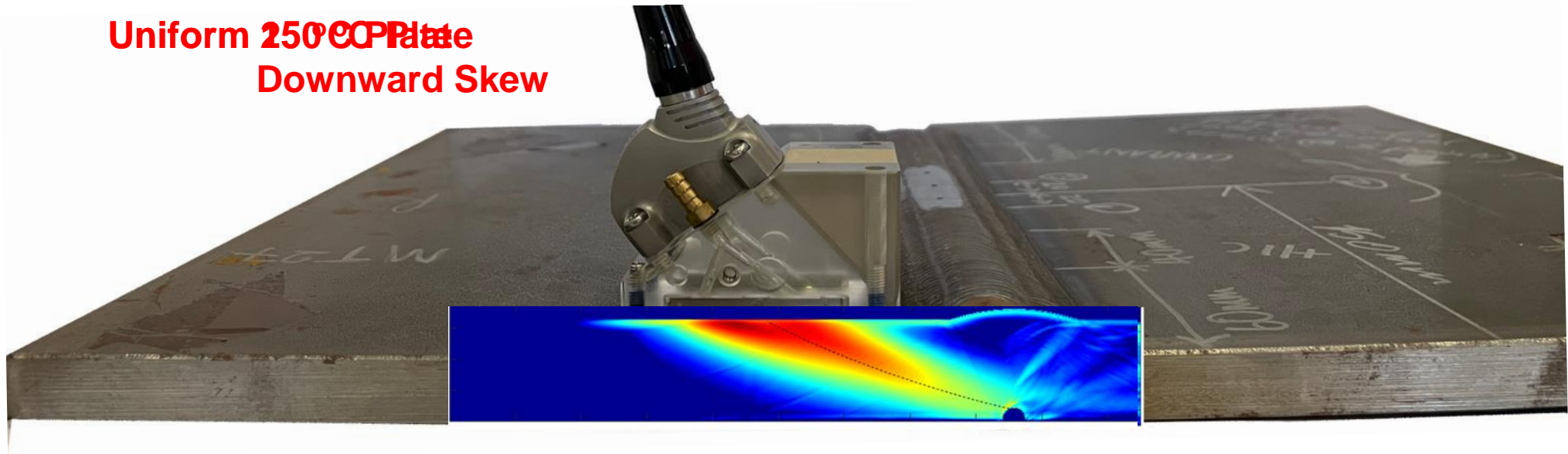
**Partially-Filled Groove  
Reflections**

# In-Process Wave Propagation - Temperature

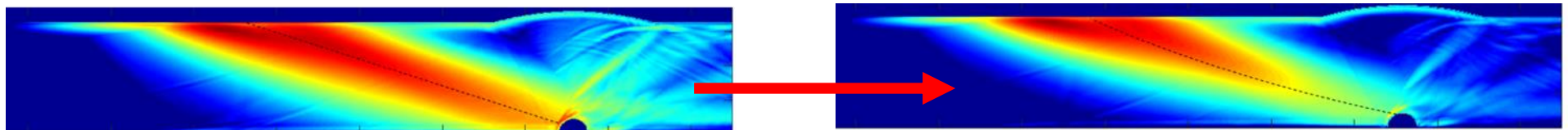
**Incorporating Weld  
Thermal Gradient**

**Continual Beam Bending**

**Uniform  $250^{\circ}\text{C}$  Plate  
Downward Skew**

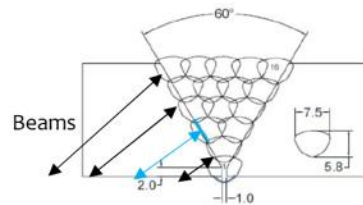


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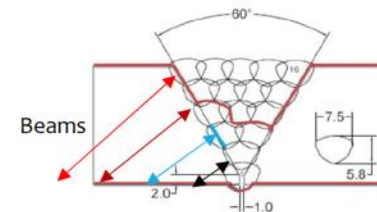




# In-Process Inspection – Partially Filled Grooves



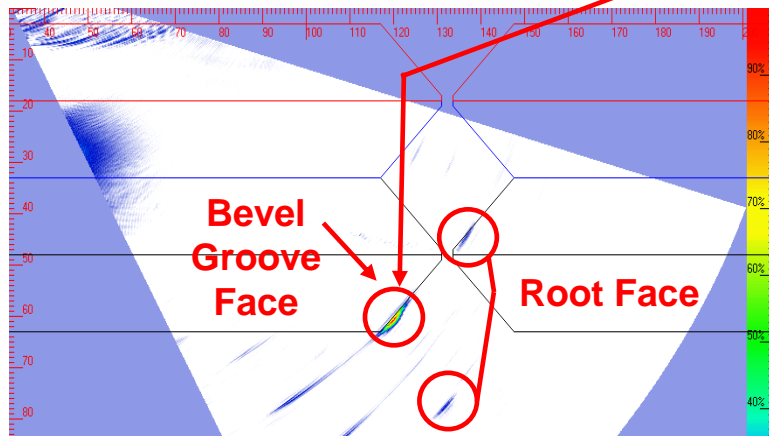
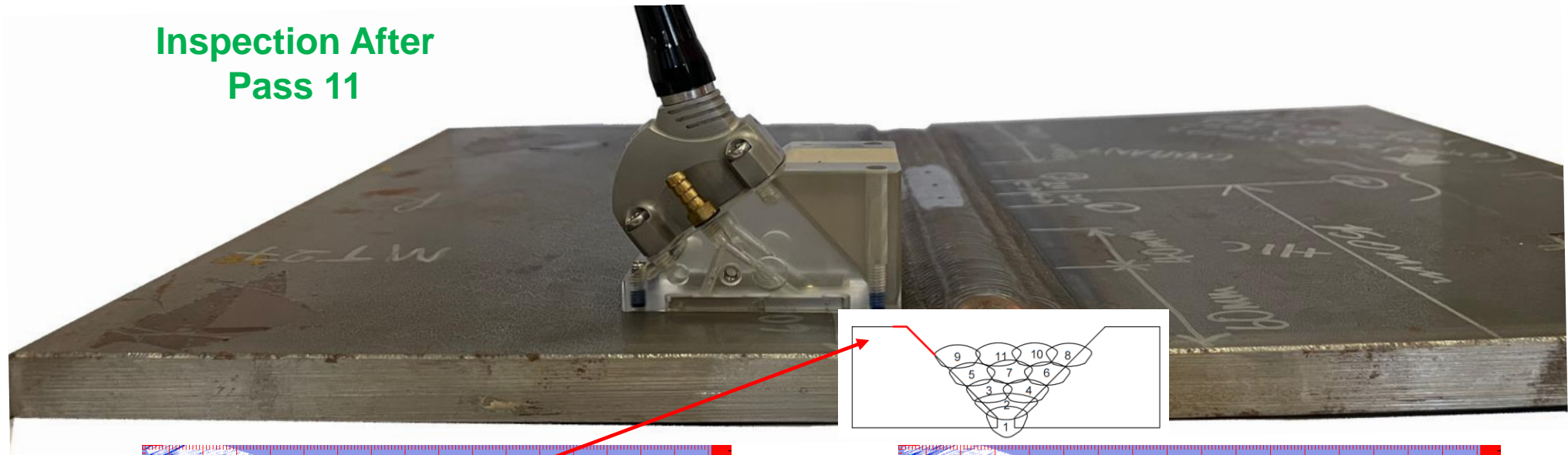
Standard Complete Weld and  
Correctly Reports LOF Defects (Blue)



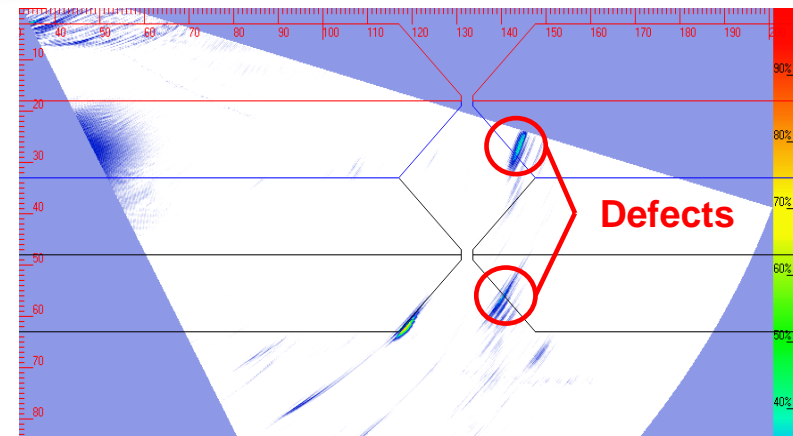
Defect During Welding: Need to detect LOF  
Defects (Blue), whilst rejecting False-  
Positive (Red)

# In-Process Inspection – Partially Filled Grooves

Inspection After  
Pass 11



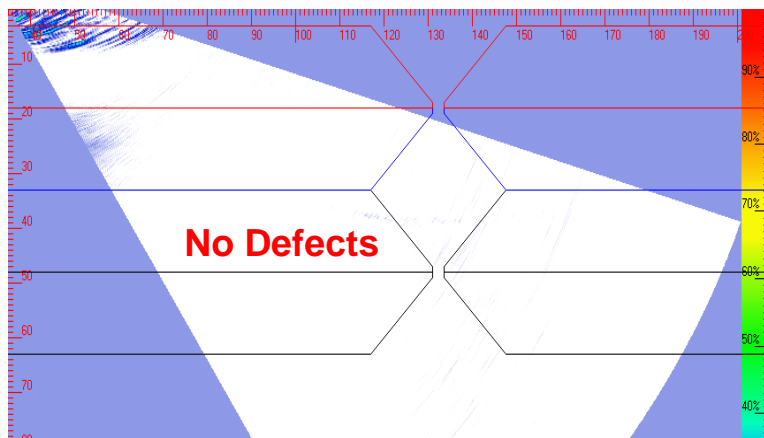
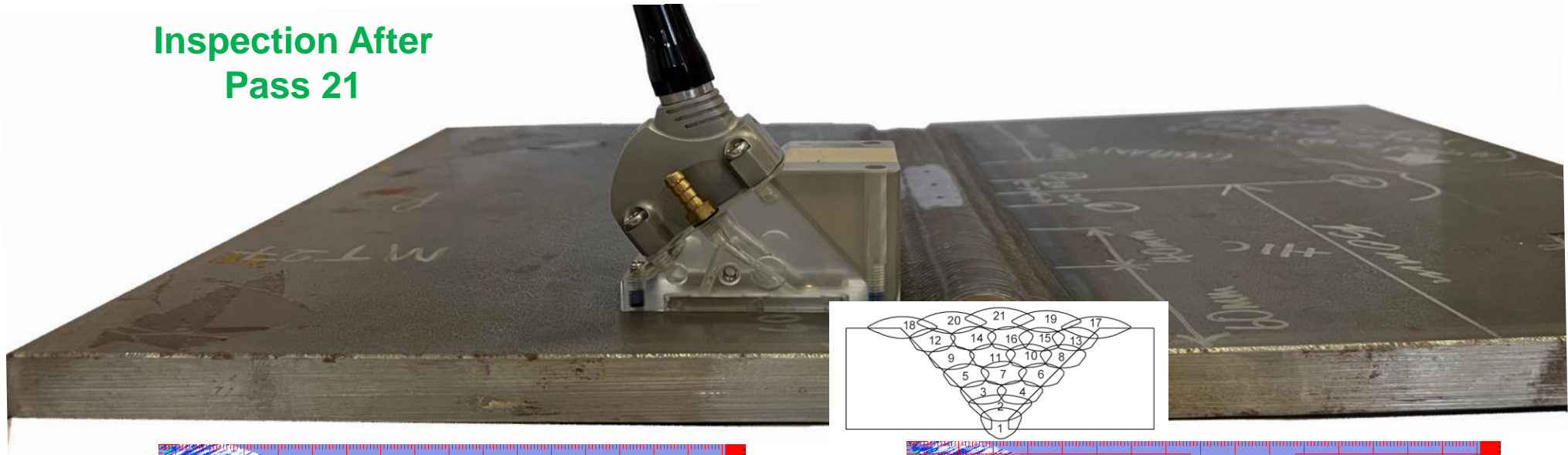
**Position 1 - Un-Defected Zone**



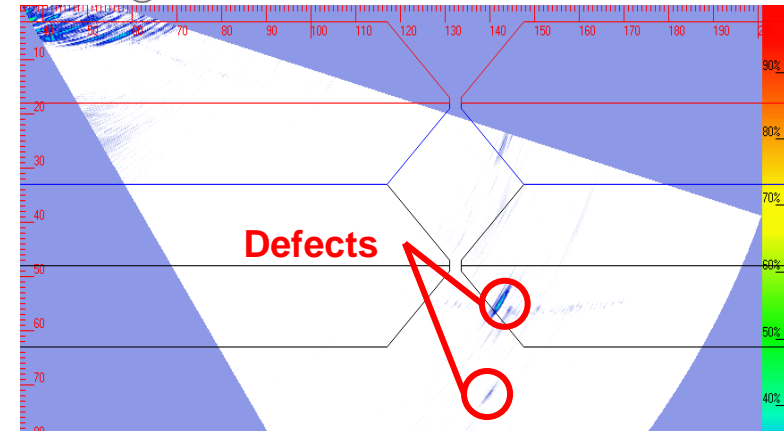
**Position 2 - Defective Zone**

# In-Process Inspection – Partially Filled Grooves

Inspection After  
Pass 21



Position 1 - Un-Defected Zone

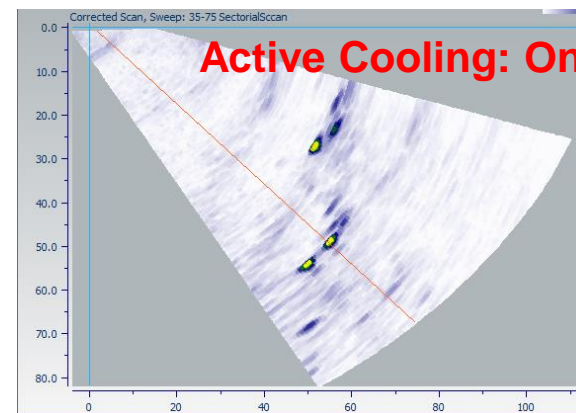
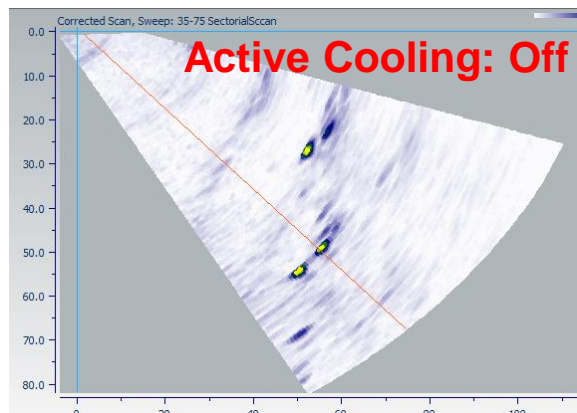


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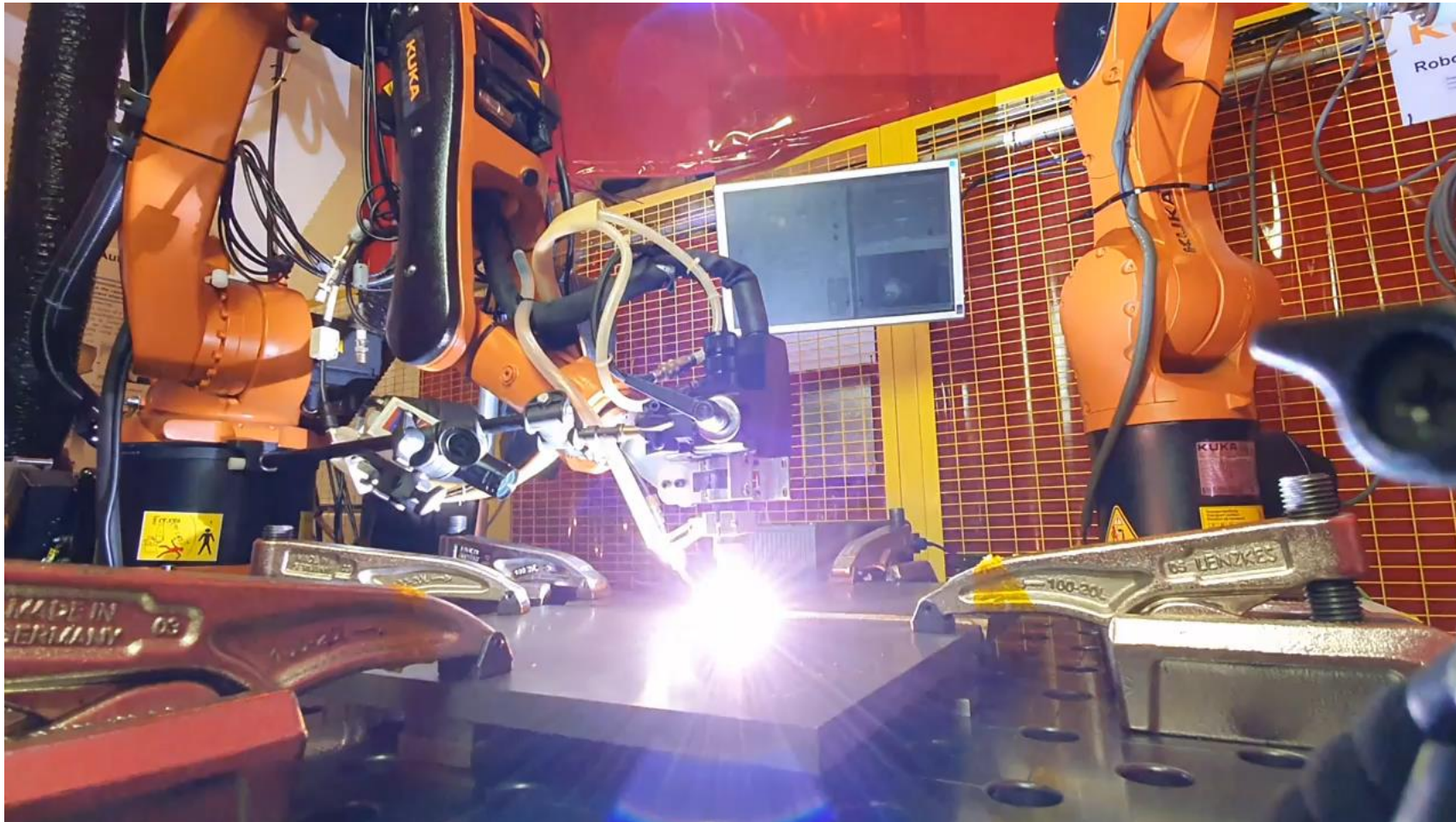
# Roller Probe – Dry-Coupled, High-Temperature Inspection



- High-Temperature (350 degC) inspection
- Reduced Liquid Couplant – *Dry Coupling*
- High-Temperature Tyre
- 55° Shear Wave Inspection
- 64 Elements, 5 MHz, 0.5 mm Probe
- Inter-pass multi-layer inspection
- Integrated Surface Temperature Measurement

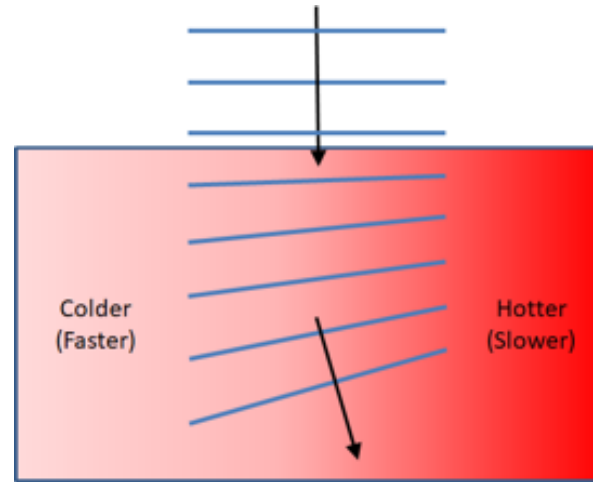


# In-Process Inspection – Live Arc Trials

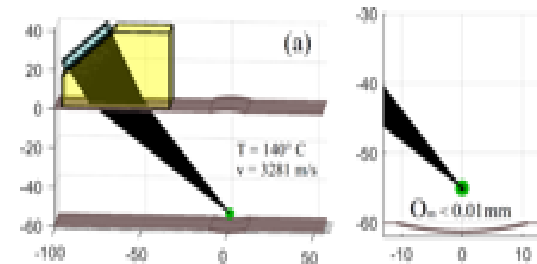


# In-Process Inspection – Thermal Compensation

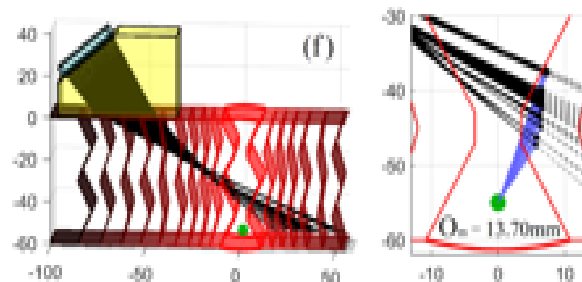
- Non-uniform thermal gradients present during in-process fusion weld inspection result in complex wave beam refraction, energy reduction and time shifts from weldment defects/reflectors present.
- *Ray Tracing Compensation – Enhanced Focusing*
- *Automated Compensation based on known geometry*



In the presence of a temperature gradient, the beam will tend to bend toward the heat



**Cold Focused**

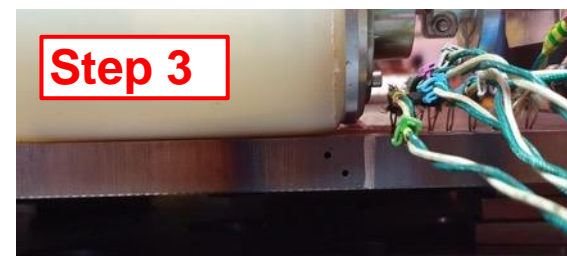
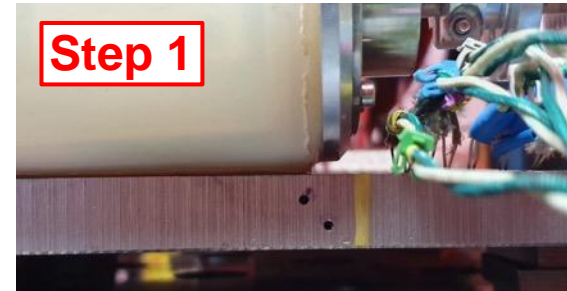


**Thermal Gradient Un-Focused**

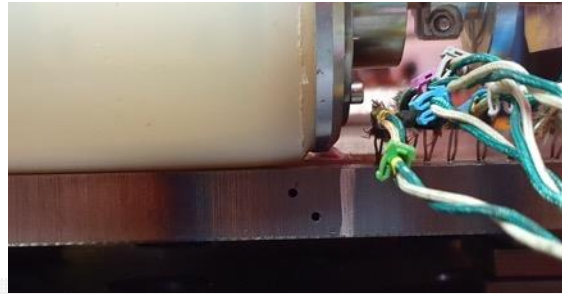
# In-Process Inspection – Thermal Compensation

## Thermal Compensation Verification Test

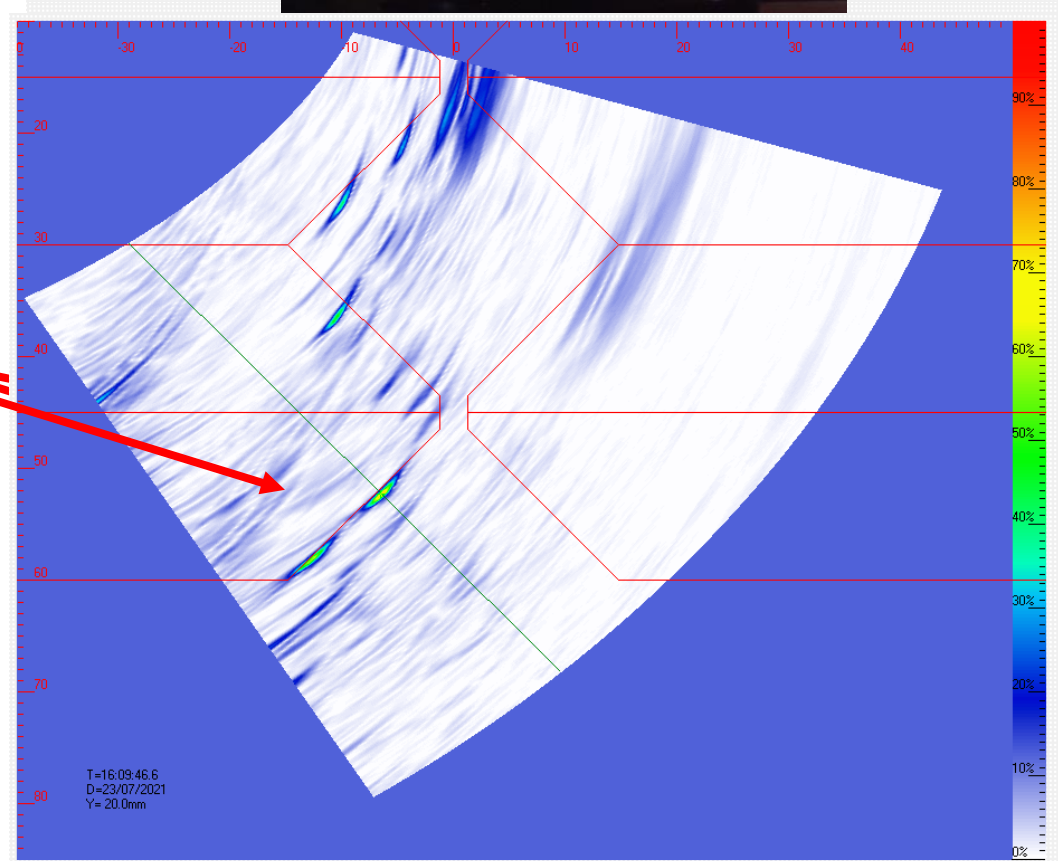
- 15 mm Pseudo Weld
- 2x 2.0 mm Diameter SDH
- 8 Thermocouples on mirror side of weld centre
- Step 1: Cold Inspection with PAUT Roller Probe
- Step 2: Autogenous Weld for Thermal Input
- Step 3: Inspection with PAUT Roller Probe with Thermal Gradient
- Thermocouple Logging Throughout
- PAUT Images Analysed



# In-Process Inspection – Thermal Compensation



Side Drilled  
Notes  
Names  
Correction  
align to  
in Position  
Weld Image  
Overlay

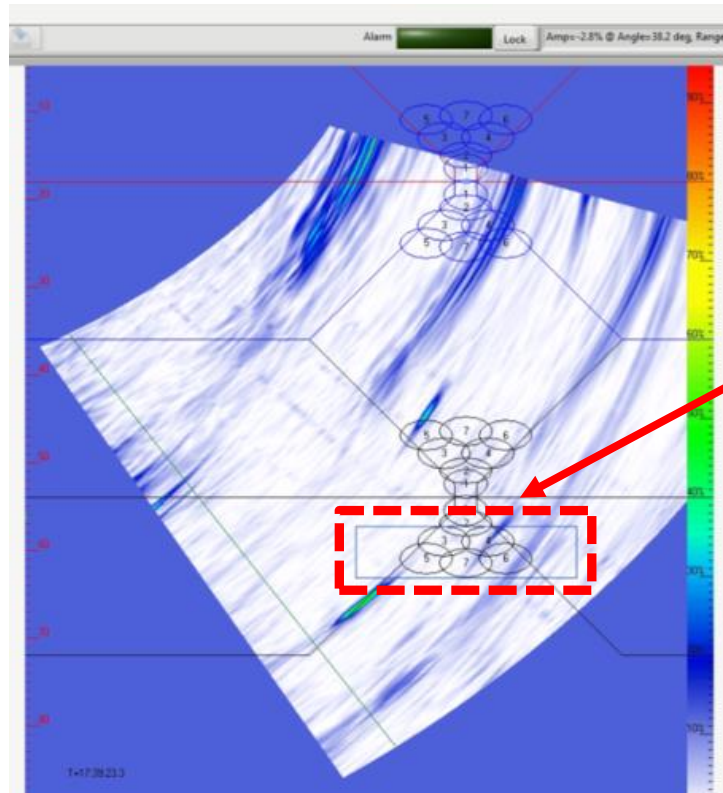


Autogenous Weld Thermal Compensation Compensated Image



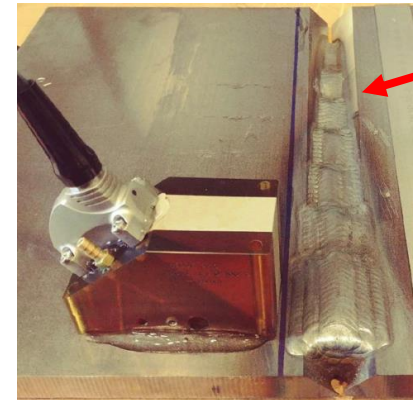
# In-Process Inspection – Region of Interest

- Monitors echoes within adaptive Region of Interest (ROI) and sets Alarm if over a user-defined threshold
- Calibrated via Staircase Sample or real-time Laser Profiler data input



**Region of Interest (ROI) Window**

**Dynamically adapts to varying filled groove**



**Staircase Sample**

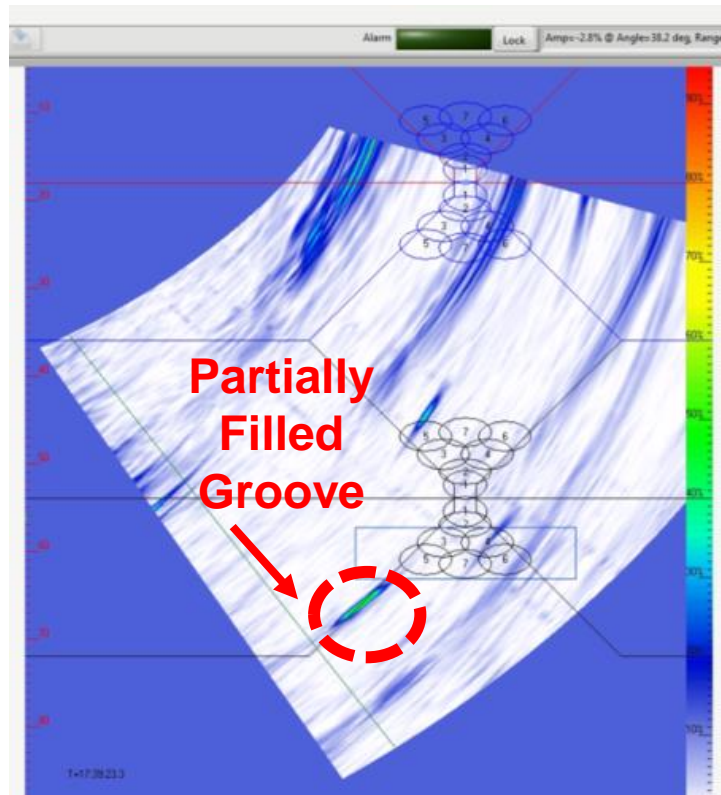


**Laser Profiler**

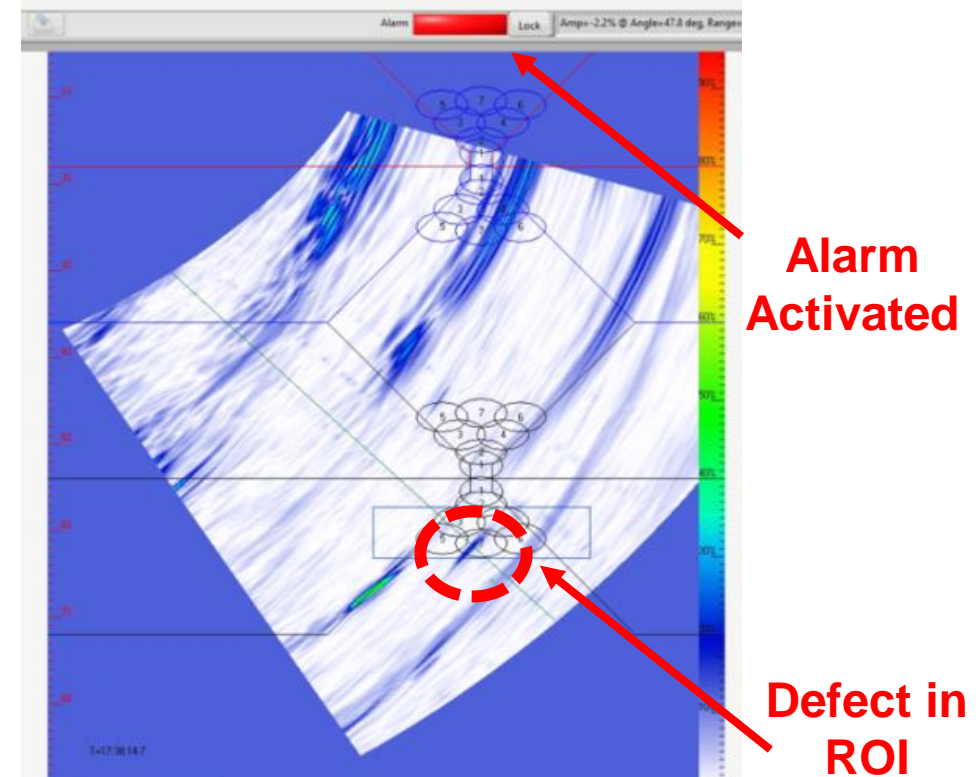
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**After Pass 7 - No defect**  
**18mm thick 90° V-Groove**

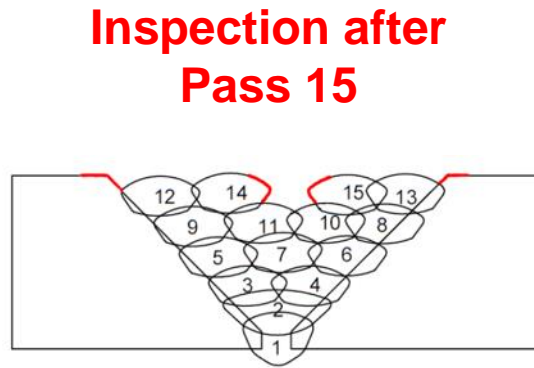


**After Pass 7 - Tungsten Tube (1.0 mm ID 30 mm long)**  
**(Pass 7) 18mm thick 90° V-Groove**

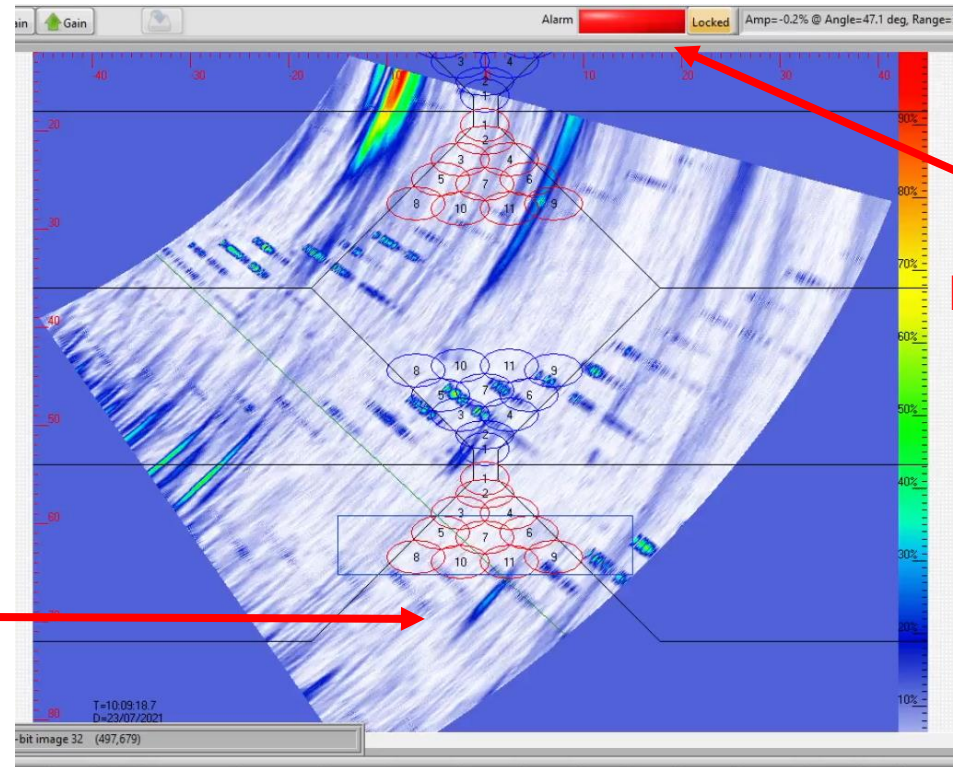


# In-Process Inspection – Noise Suppression

- Electromagnetic Interference and Noise from Robot Servo Drives appears in filtered PAUT frequency window (3.75 – 7.5 MHz)
- Non-Linear Noise Suppression Strategy developed



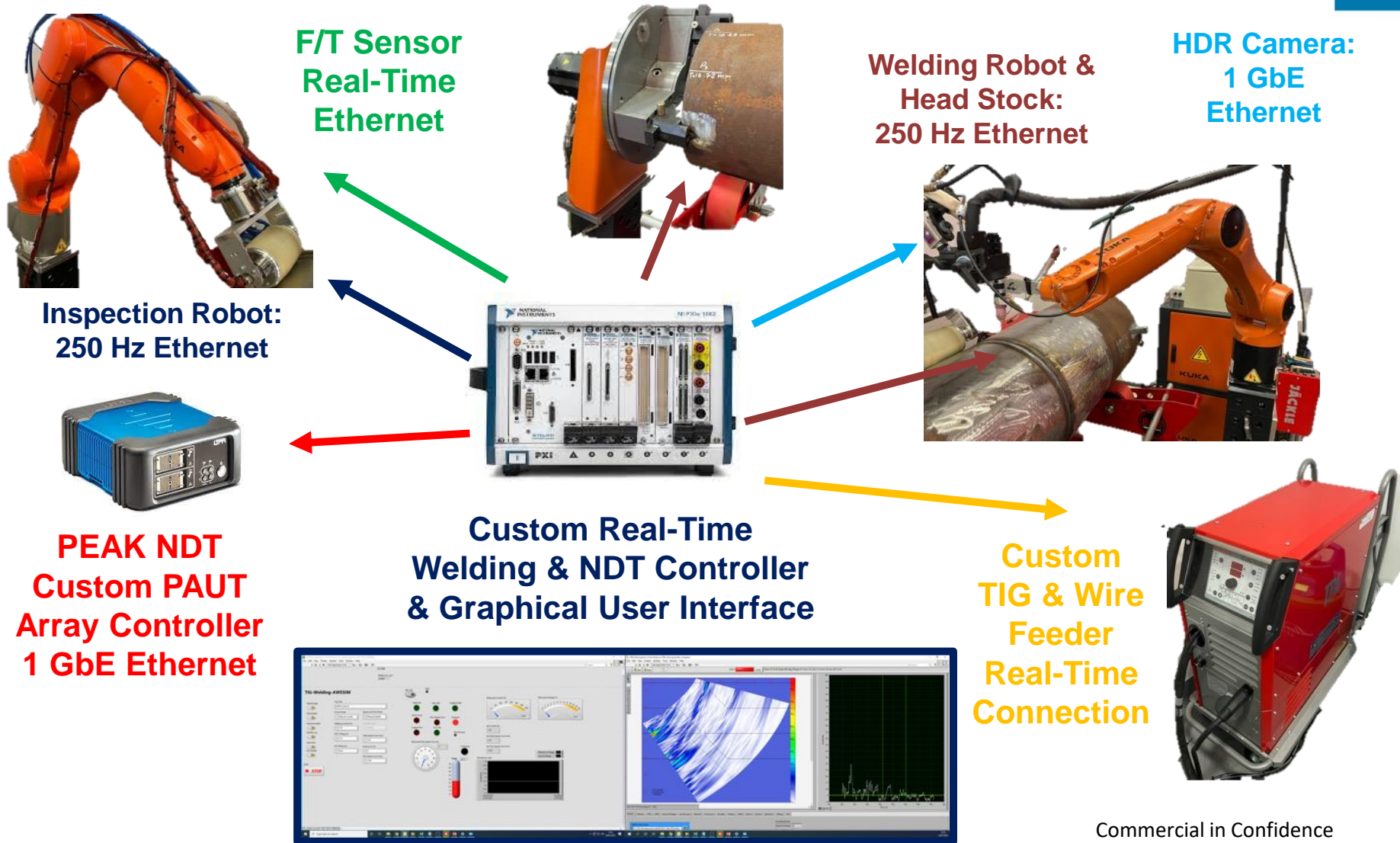
**Reflection From Bevel & Pass 15**



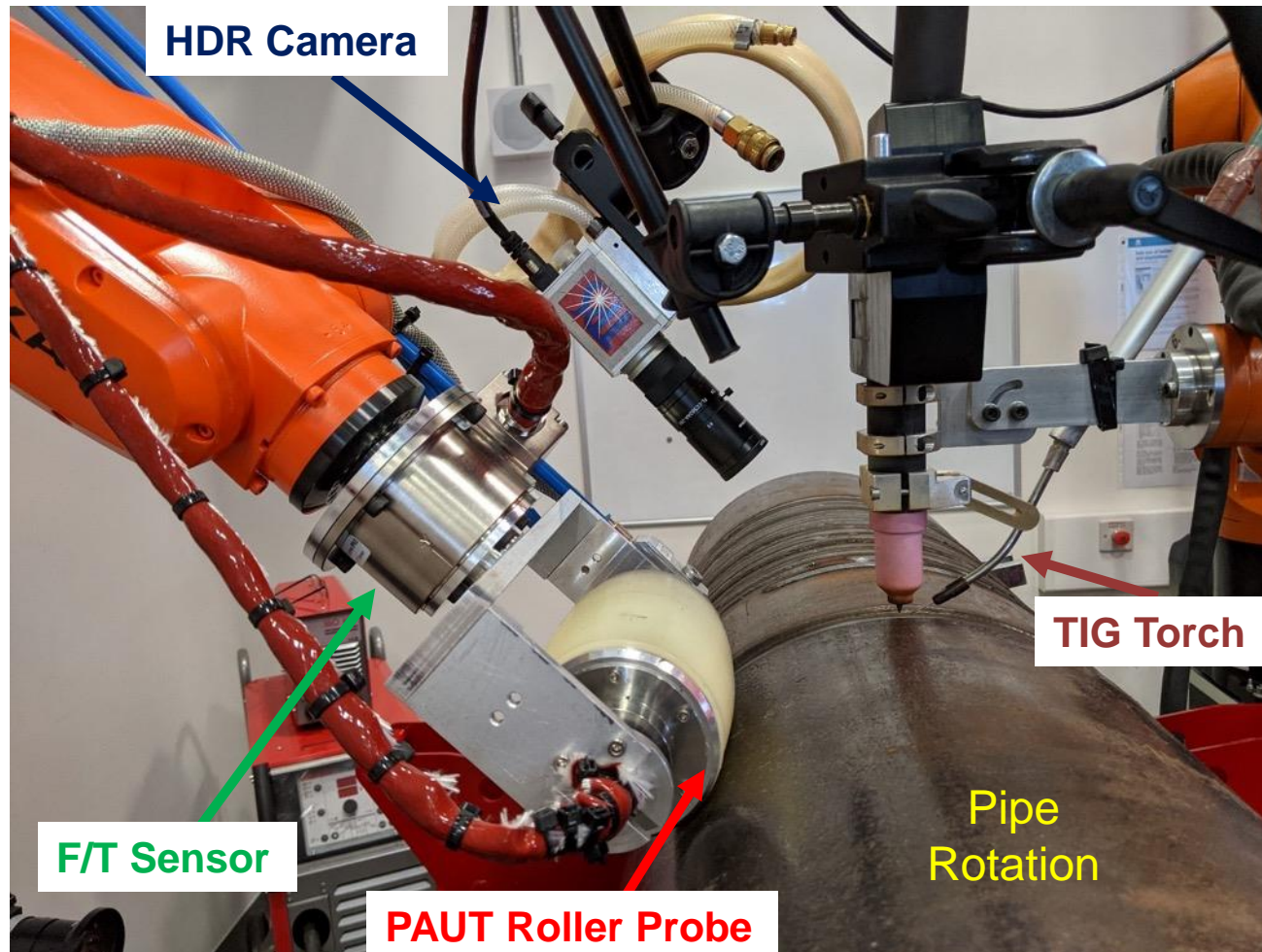
**No Trigger on Alarm  
Alarm no defect in ROI**

**Adaptive Filtering**

# AWESIM System Configuration

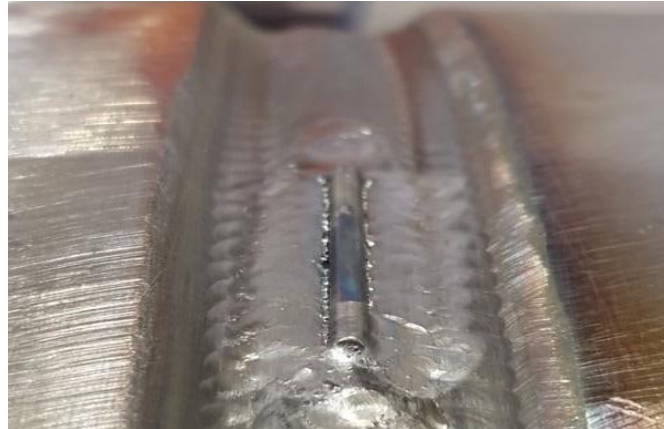


# AWESIM System Configuration



- Welding torch at 12 o'clock (1G) position.
- Roller probe is approximately 100 mm behind weld torch

# AWESIM System Configuration



- Artificial Defect Embedded
- Objective: Simulate point defects/porosity
- Tungsten Tube: ID = 1.0 mm, OD = 2.9mm and L=30mm
- Secured within a groove created on pass 7

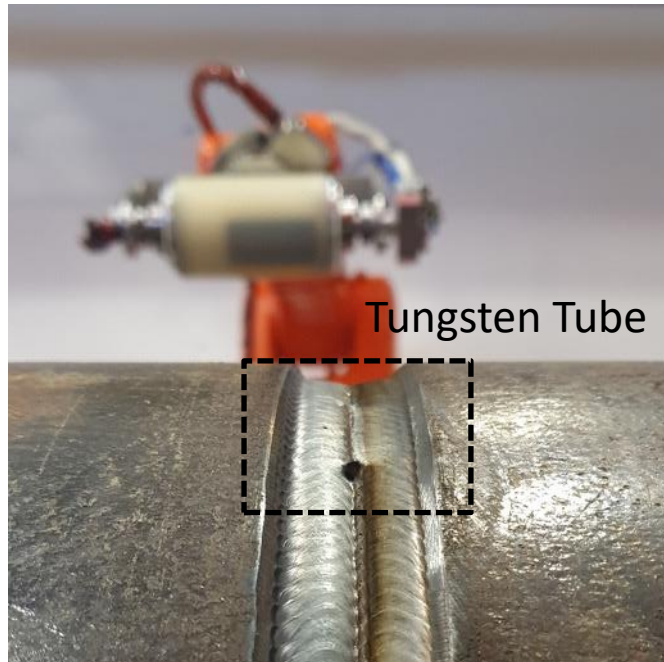
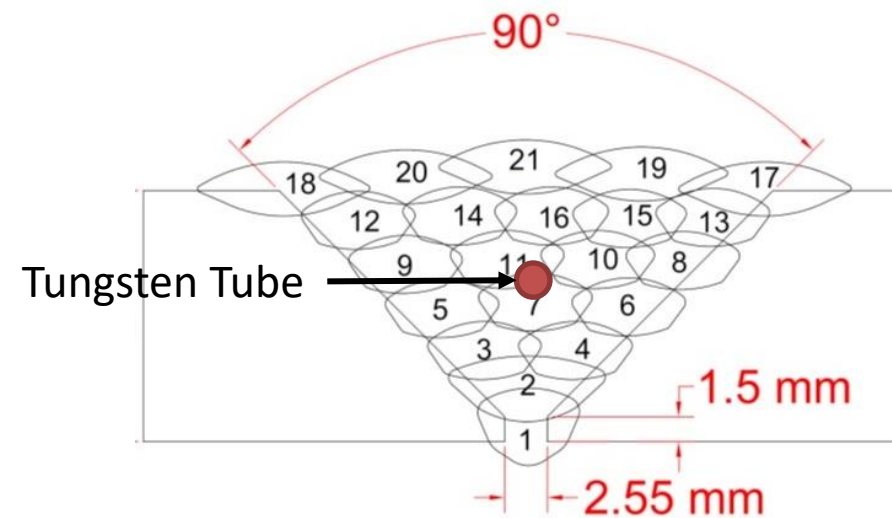
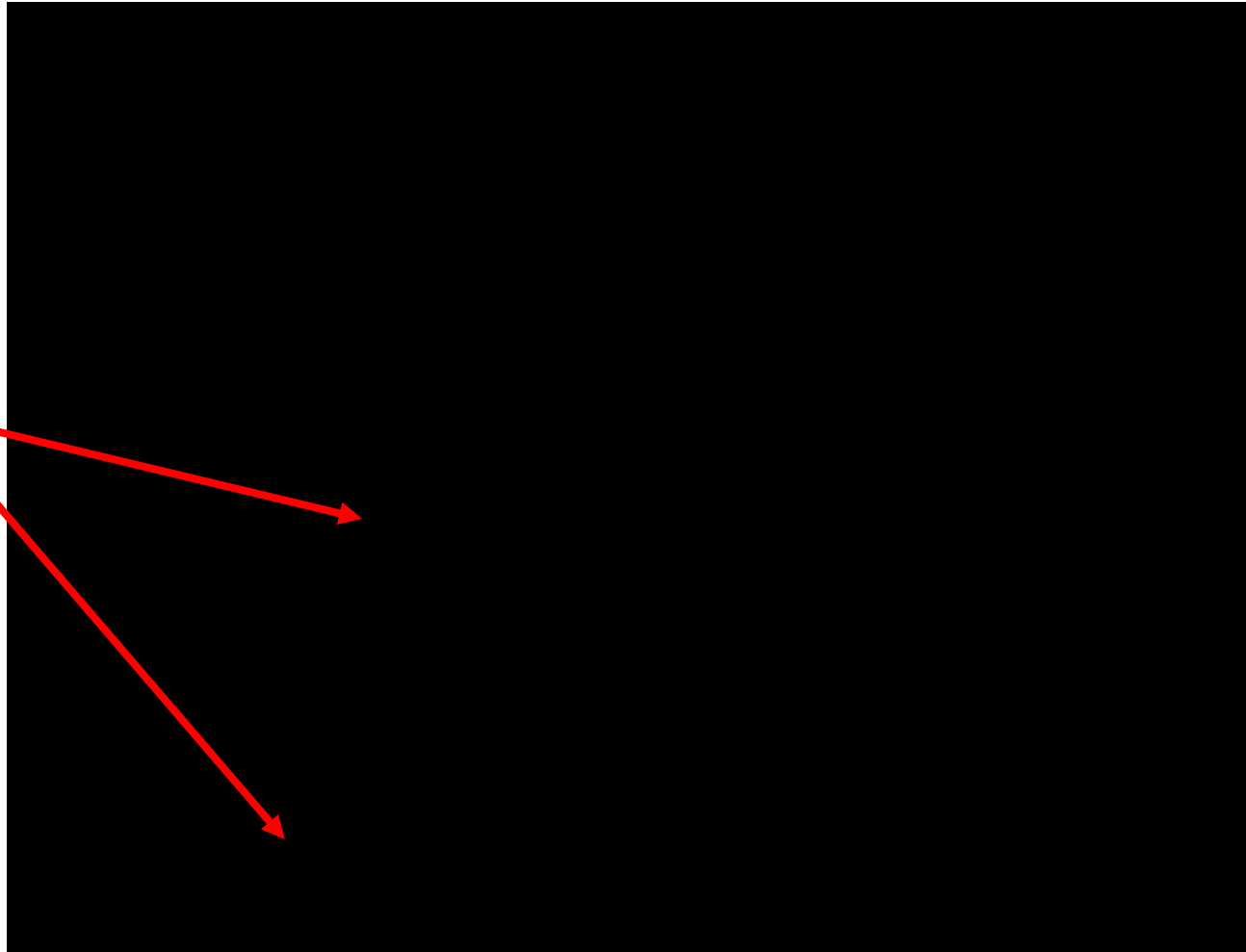


Image: Tungsten tube covered by pass 8 and 9



# AWESIM In-Process Weld Inspection

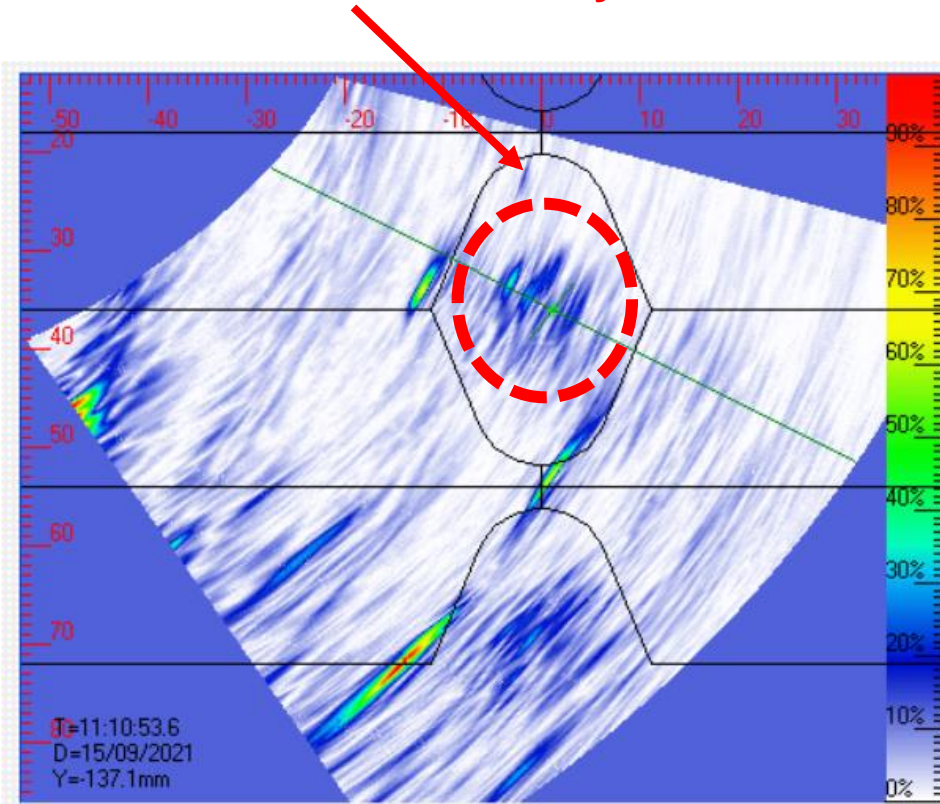
**Defect  
Detected  
& Alarm**



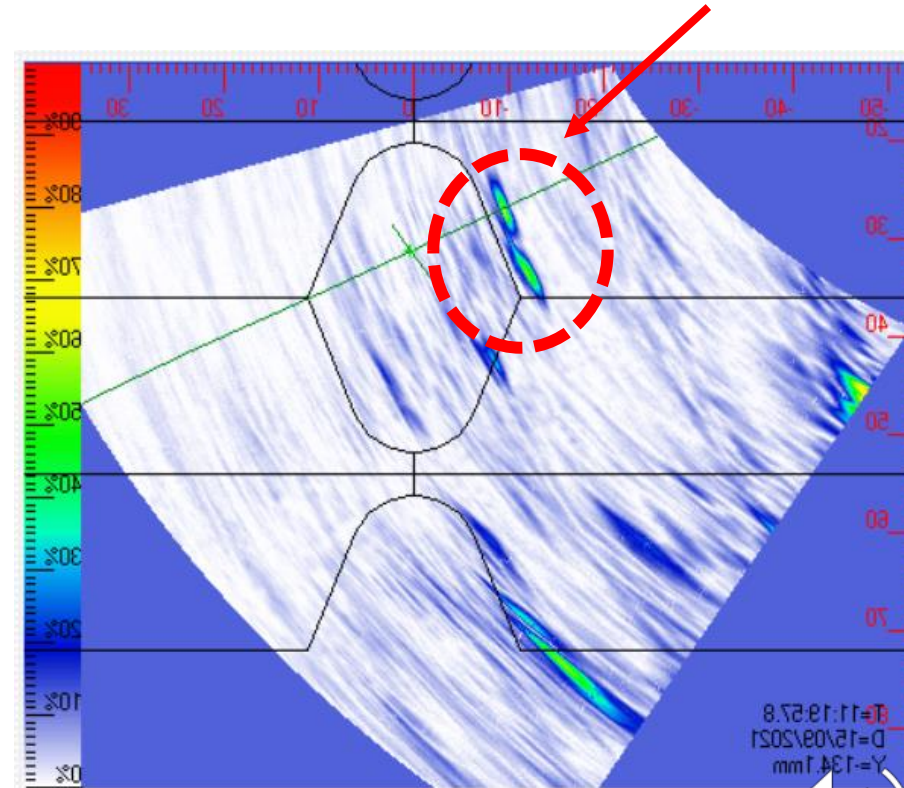
- ***World First: In-Process PAUT Inspection  $\approx$  100 mm behind Arc***

# AWESIM In-Process Images

- **Position 3: Porosity**



- **Position 7: Lack of Sidewall Fusion**





# AWESIM Summary



1. Dry-coupled high-temperature in-process ultrasonic weld inspection directly at the point of manufacture
2. Novel compensation for geometric distortion and beam de-focusing due to the elevated temperatures and thermal gradients of the welding process.
3. Compensation for the false-positive echoes from the bevelled edges of the partially-filled weld groove present during in-process inspection
4. In-process inspection demonstrated on flat and circumferential welds
5. In-Process Weld Inspection offers **significant commercial** benefits:
  - Confidence in final build
  - Reduced re-work
  - Improved schedule certainty
6. In-Process Weld Inspection offers **significant technical** benefits:
  - Inspection at temperature with no liquid coupling
  - Reduced heating and cooling cycles on components (*Sustainability Benefits*)
7. **Suitable for all high-value manufacturing featuring high-integrity welding**

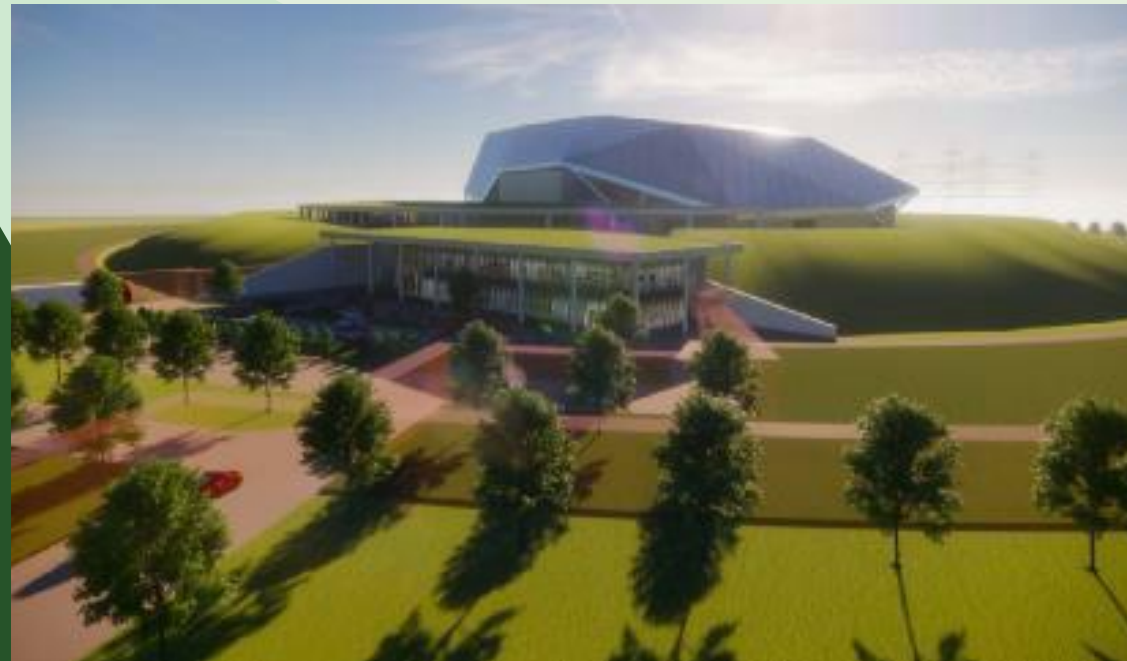
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# New Build Group

## More Than Electricity

Small Modular Reactor (SMR)  
BAM Innovation – Site Factory





# Rolls-Royce SMR is a completely different way of building nuclear; factory fabricated, road transported and site assembled.



The RR SMR approach is a holistic, integrated power station and not just a nuclear reactor design.

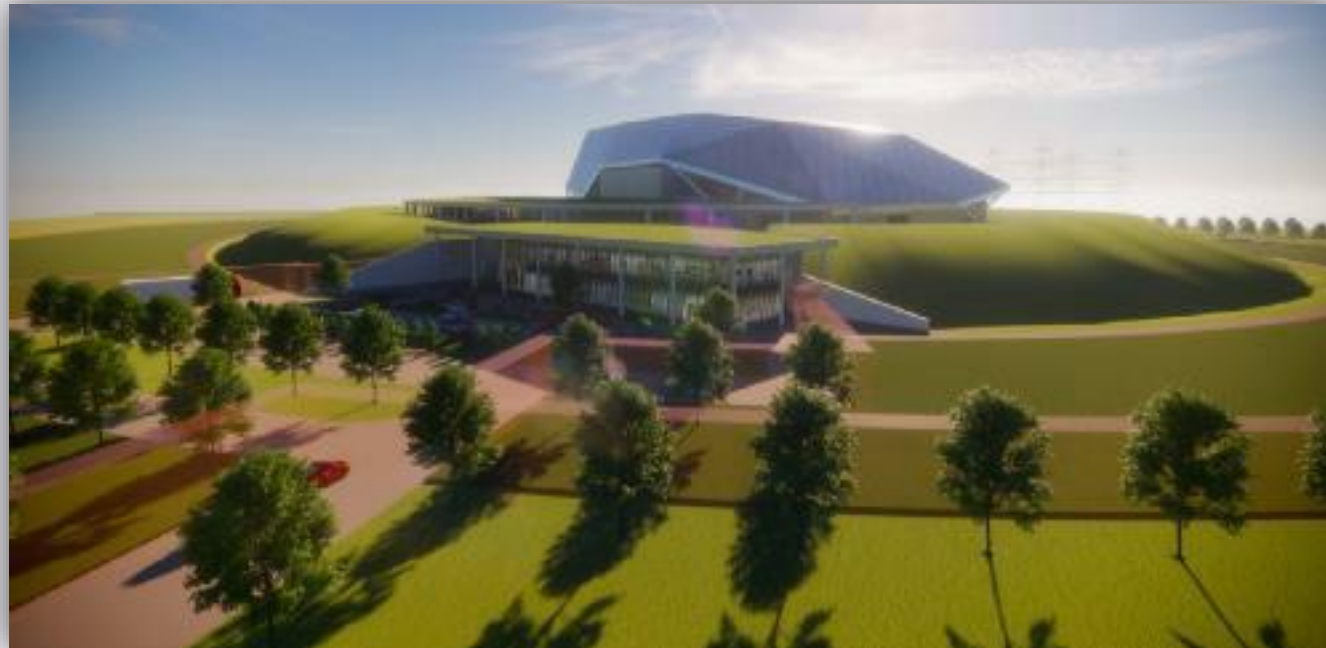
~470MWe output

50 Hz design

Proven PWR Technology  
& Standard Fuel

Power station delivery as  
a **turnkey project**

4 yr Construction  
(Nth unit)



Enhanced Gen III+ levels  
of safety and security

1<sup>st</sup> unit on grid early 2030s

Capital cost under £1.8 Bn\*

Adaptable, multi-use  
power & heat output

LCOE £35-£50 per MWh\*

## Rolls Royce SMRs – Low cost, Deliverable, Investable Low Carbon Power

# The SMR Phase 1 (complete)

## Consortium

## Partners

- Rolls Royce
- Assystem
- Atkins
- BAM
- Jacobs
- LOR
- Nuclear AMRC
- NNL
- TWI



Consortium formed to secure UKIR funding to develop SMR Proof Of Concept

# Key objectives: improving productivity & predictability

The Rolls Royce Challenge

How do we do better?



**3 Years (2009)**  
**Height - 310m**



**1.5 Years (1930)**  
**Height - 381m**




# Our concept represents a completely different way of building new nuclear power plants




**Whole plant factory fabrication**


90% power plant factory fabricated across three main factories:



Primary plant


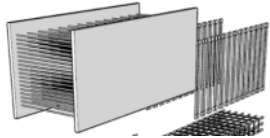



Civil modules



Systems modules

Road transportable factory products taken to site

**bam nuttall**

**Site factory for build certainty**



In a controlled environment under our site canopy / 4<sup>th</sup> factory to remove risk



**Modules designed to expedite site assembly**

**Designed for a compact footprint**

Assembly on an aseismic bearing to enable repeatability without cause for site specific redesign



Coming together to deliver a complete low cost, investible, power plant across a number of sites



**Low cost power for a net zero world**

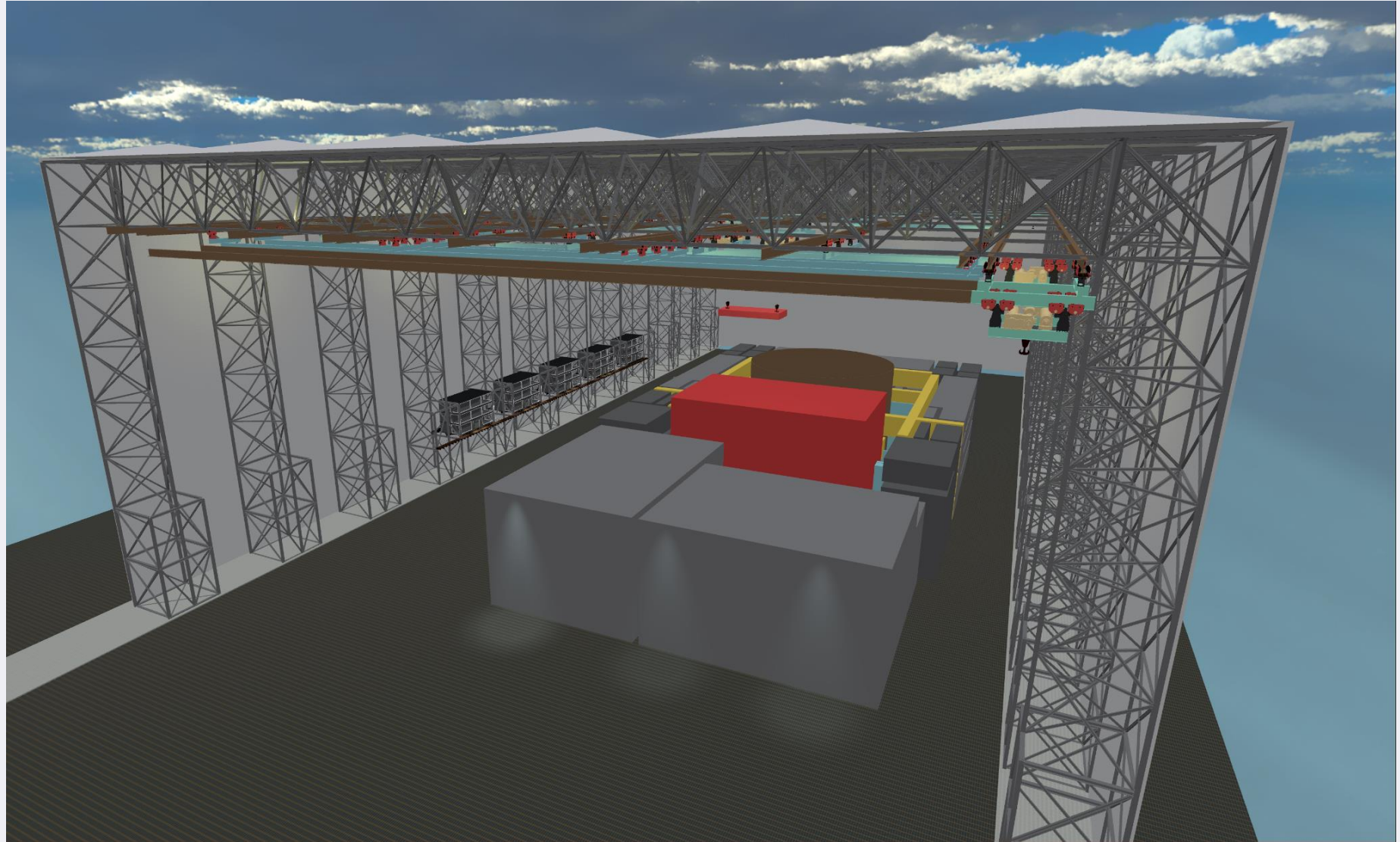
To provide low carbon power in a flexible manner for electrical grid, hydrogen production, or synthetic fuels



## “The Site Factory”

BAM have developed the Site Factory (Patent No. GB 2591785).

The objective of the Site Factory is to enable the delivery of the SMR complex infrastructure & systems within a manufacturing environment.

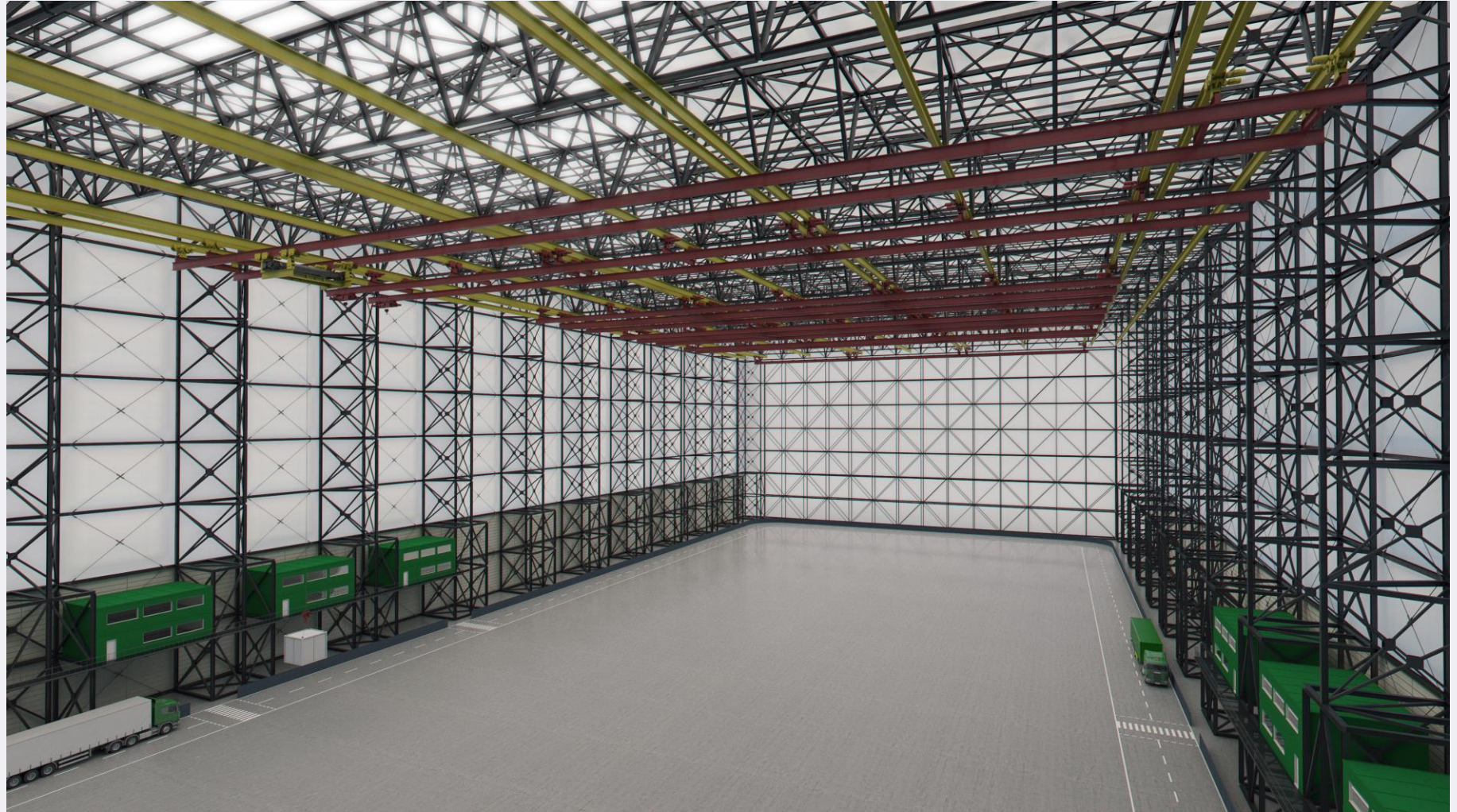




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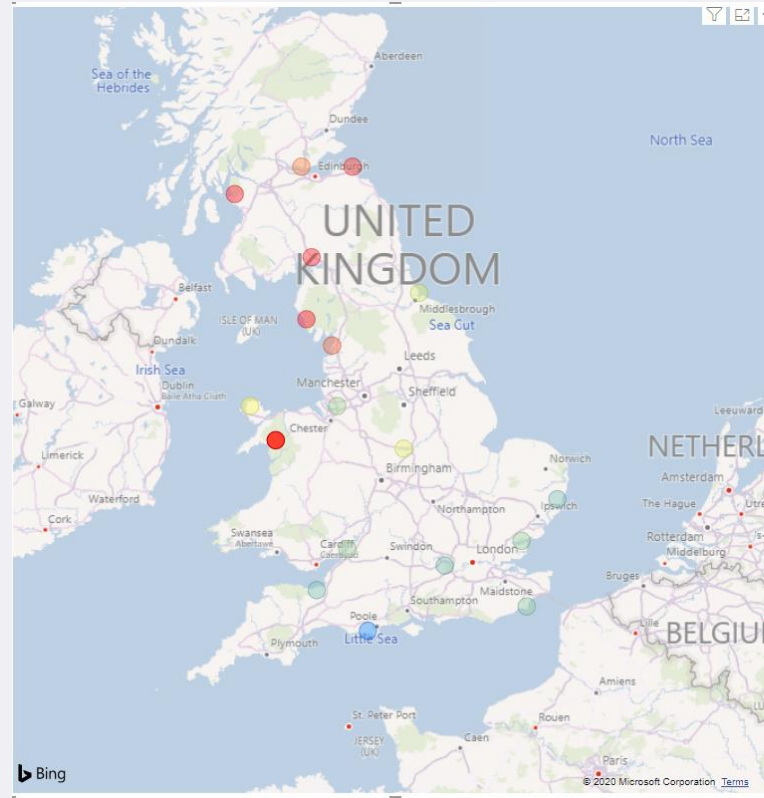
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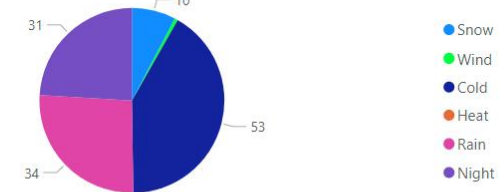
# UK Nuclear Sites

- Approved Nuclear sites of interest compared.
- Winfrith least impacted by weather with 75 days lost.
- Trawsfynydd one of the most impacted with 113 days lost.
- Wylfa's leading cause of disruption is Wind.

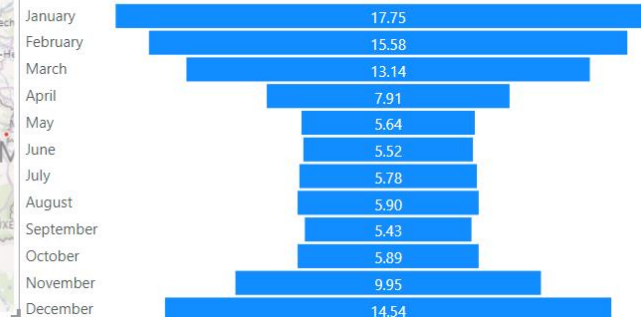


**Trawsfynydd**  
**113** Days Lost  
**66** Percentile  
**15.3** Standard Deviation

Causes of Lost Production



Monthly Breakdown



## “The Site Factory”

Protects the environment from the project

Protects the project from the environment

## Key objectives: improving productivity & predictability

- Healthier & Safer environment with a more diverse workforce
- DCO Mitigation for the EIA
- Replicable environment for global delivery
- An environment that provides certainty for quality delivery
- Perfect environment for innovation
- Perfect weather
- Perfect temperature
- Perfect lighting
- Perfect controlled environments for specialist activities
- Enables 24hr working, 365 days a year

**An enabler for productivity, innovation & certainty which in turn creates an investible solution for zero carbon, guaranteed baseload power generation.**

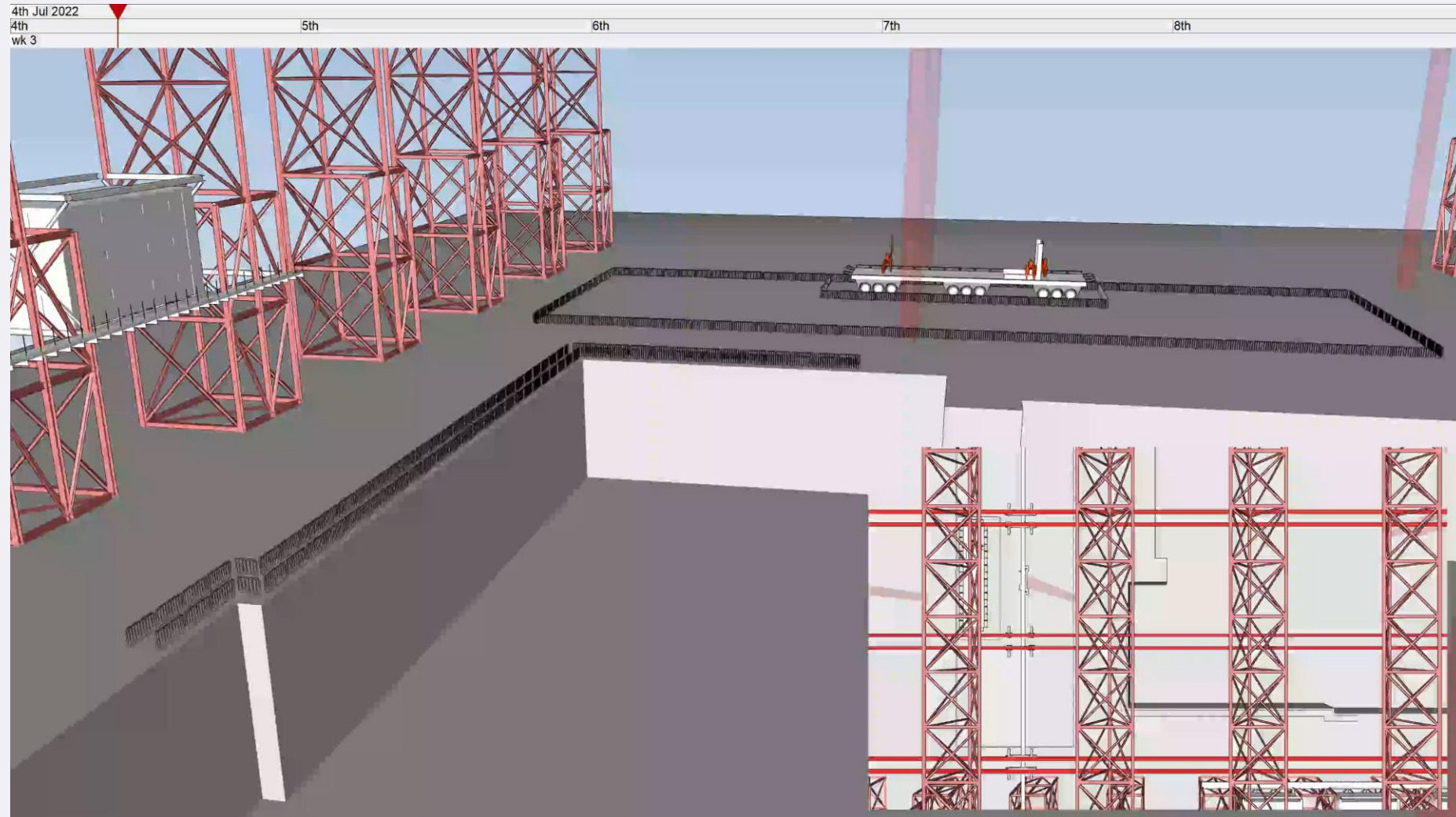


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An environment for

- Innovation
- Productivity
- Certainty

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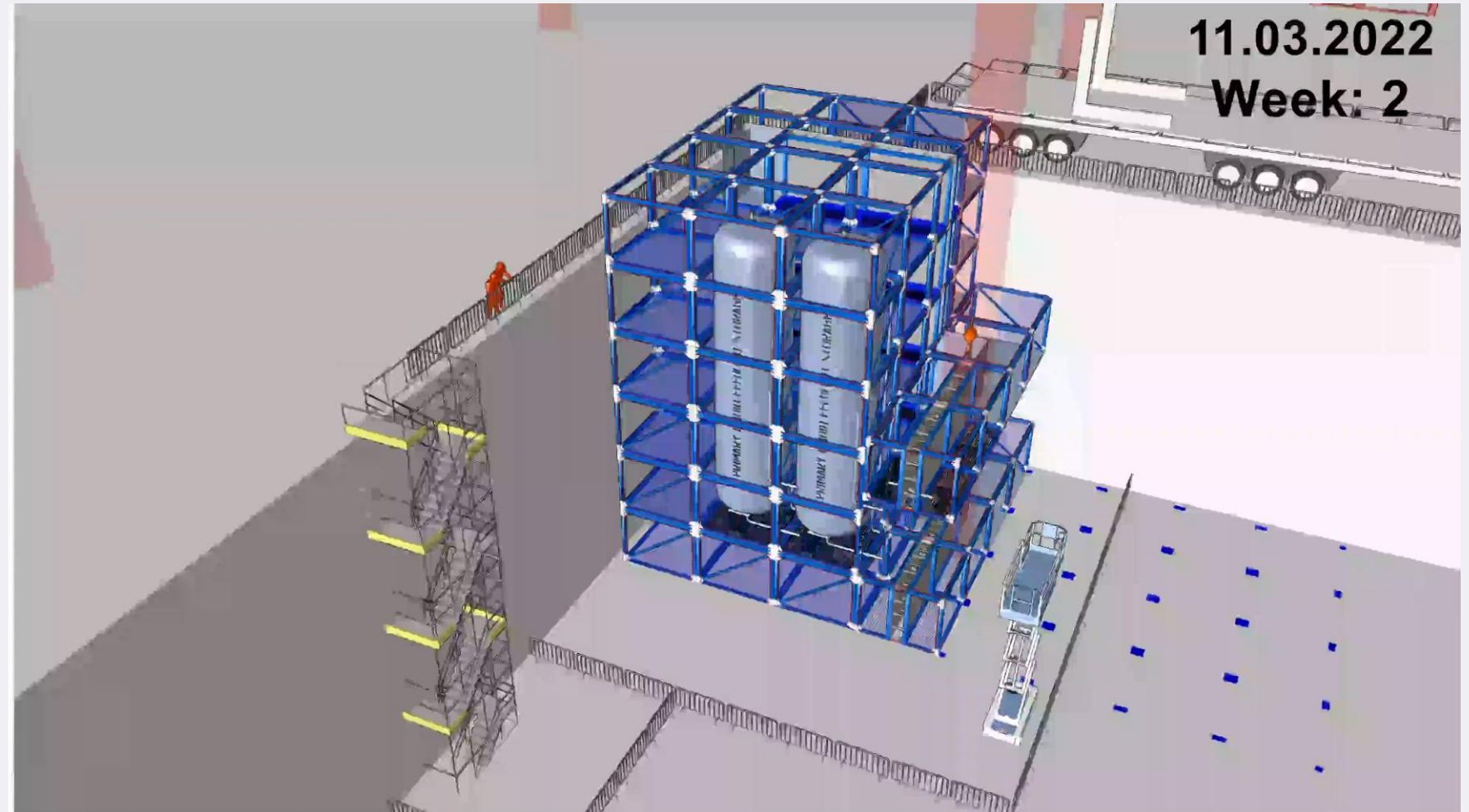


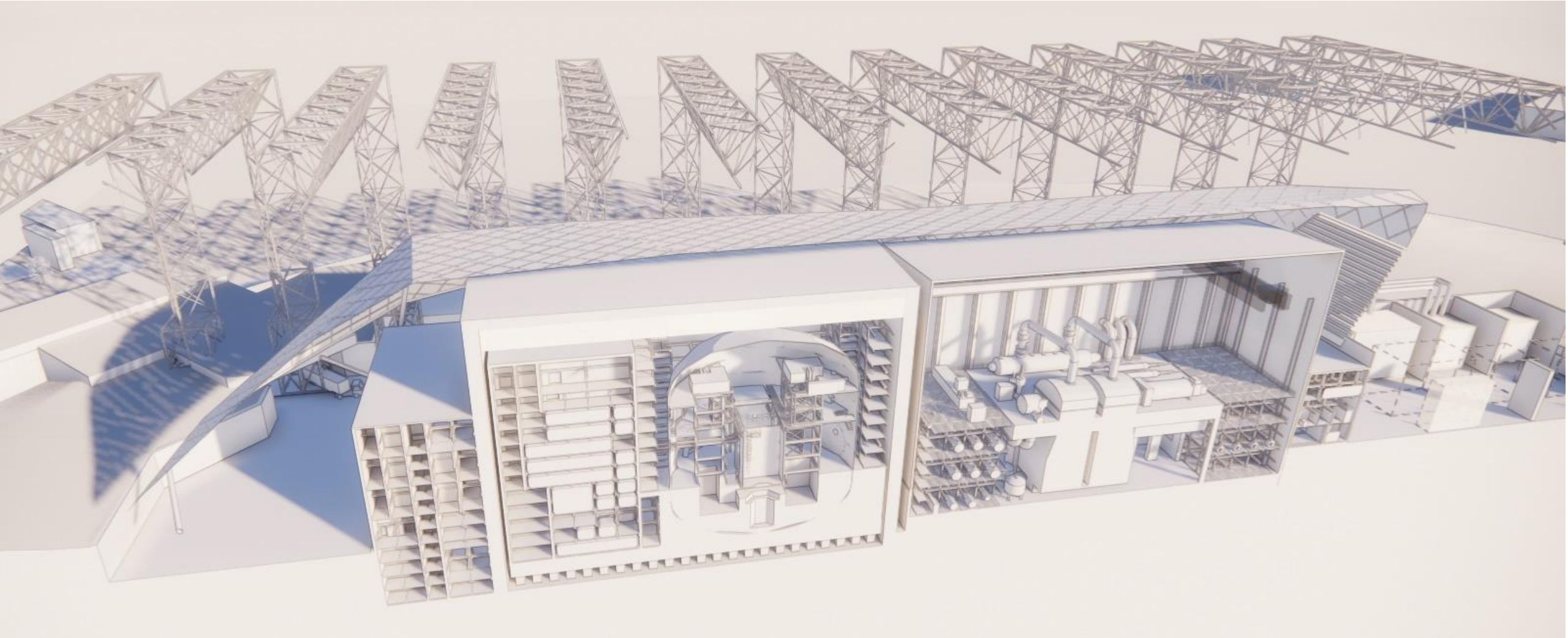
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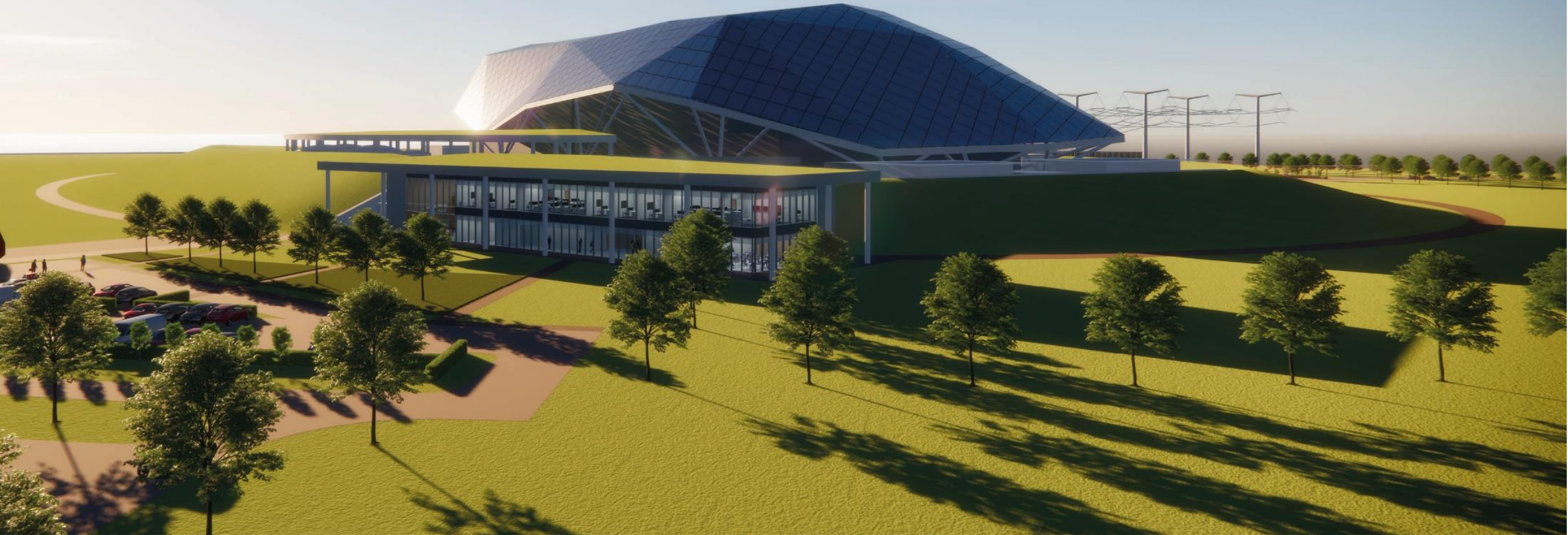
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SMR



## **Innovation Panel Session**

**John Prothero - BAM**

**Blair Jamieson - Babcock**

**David Bradbury - Tuv-UK**

**Matthew Bilson - BEIS**

**Caroline Longman – NNL**

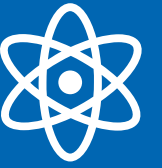


# NIA New Build Group More Than Just Electricity

Lunch

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“Cradle to Grave” across conventional NPP and SMR projects



## Early works

- Planning & consenting
- Project structuring
- Technology selection

## Project Development

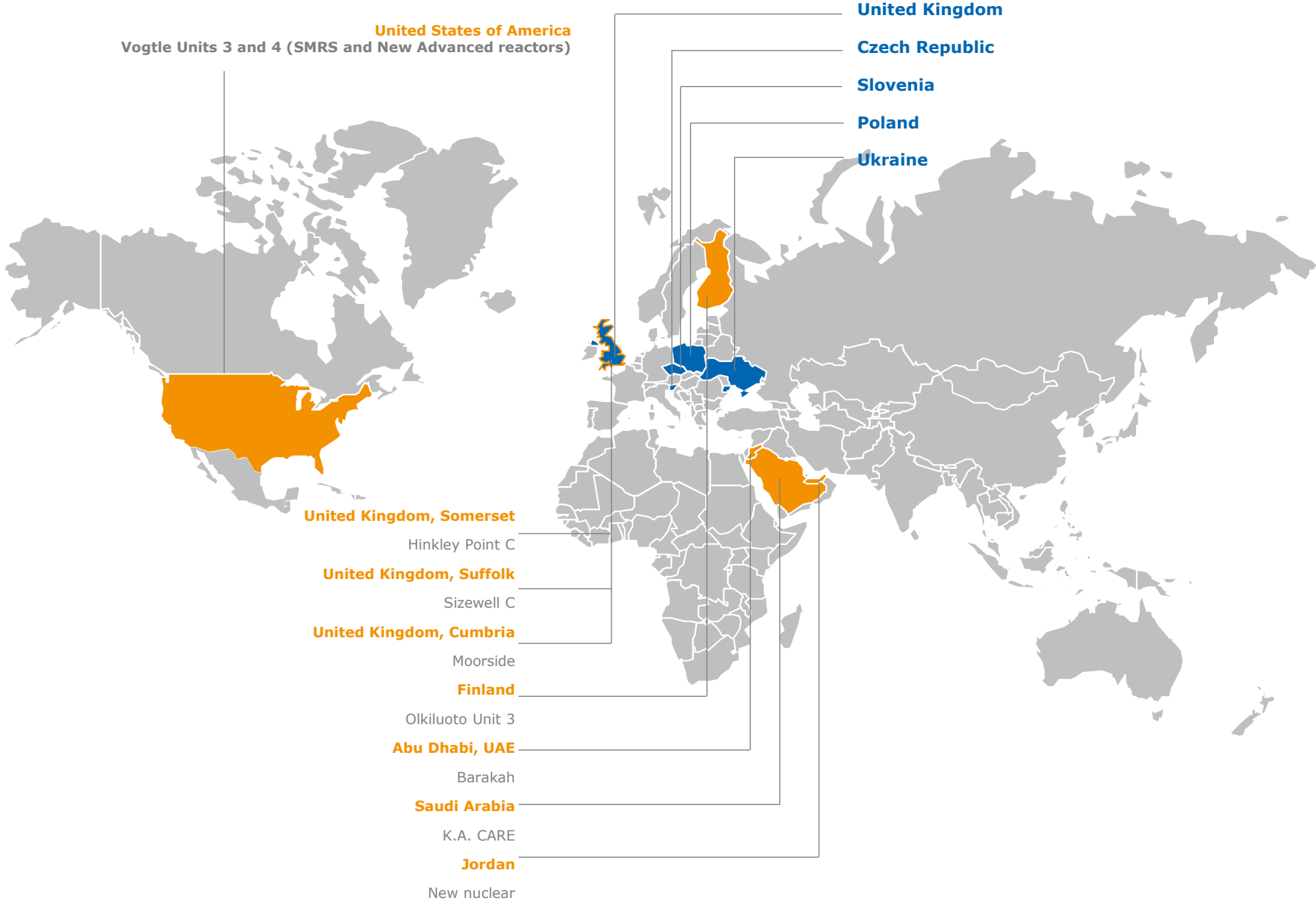
- Construction
- O&M
- Financing (debt & equity)
- Fuel supply

## Regulatory

- Nuclear liability
- Licensing & grid connection
- Waste management & decommissioning



# Our breadth of experience in nuclear new build projects



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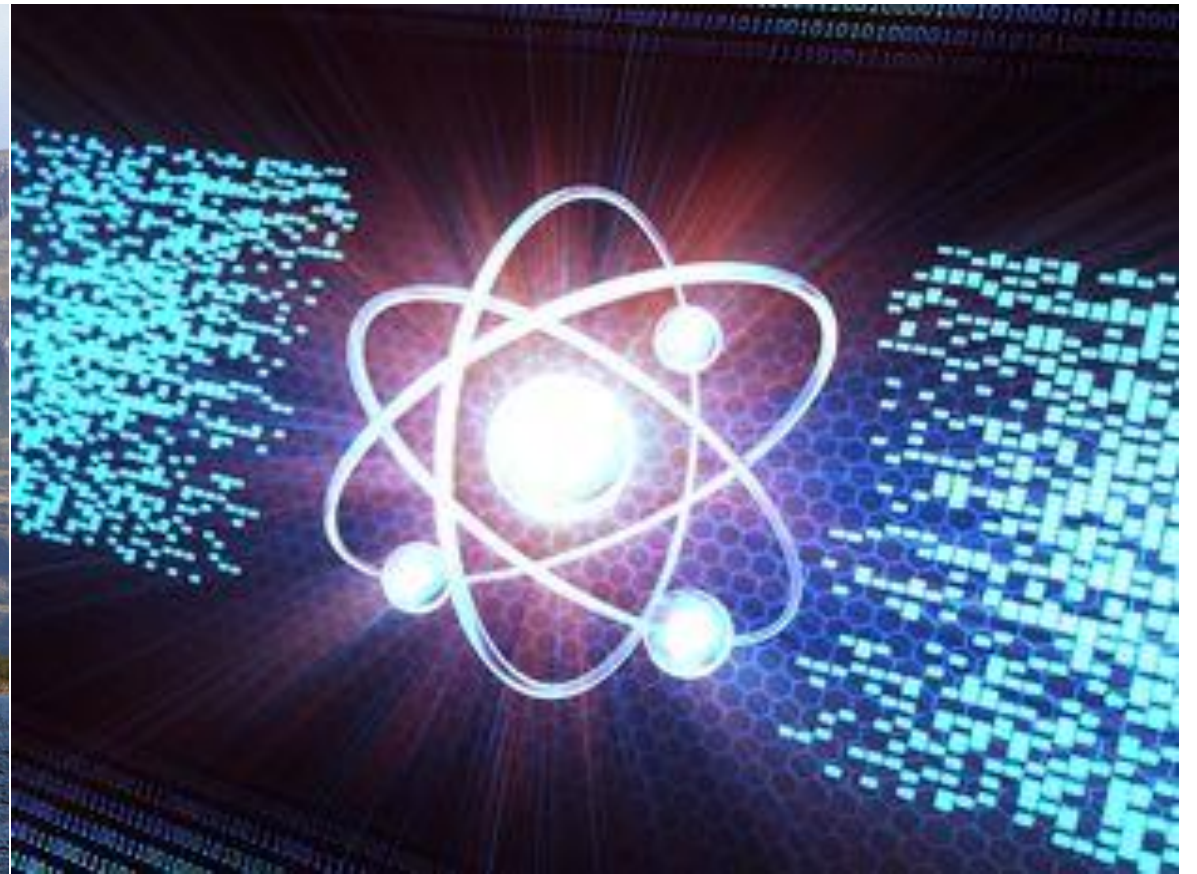
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**NIA NEW BUILD GROUP MEETING, JULY 7<sup>TH</sup> 2022: “MORE THAN JUST ELECTRICITY”**

## **HOW TO GET THE BEST OUT OF NUCLEAR HEAT**

Dr David Bradbury & Professor Joe Howe  
Associates, TÜV UK

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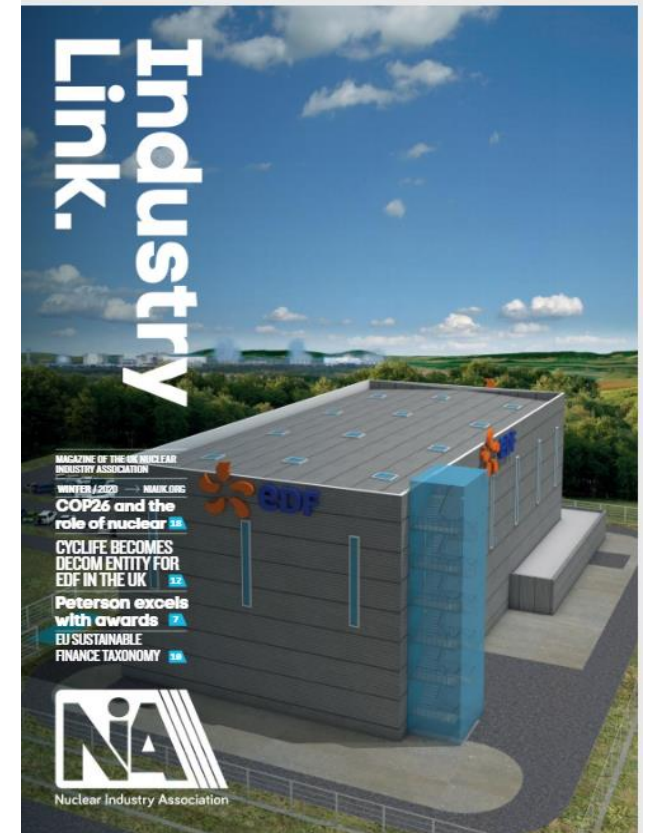
**Nuclear New Build &  
Advanced Technologies**





# The three developments needed for nuclear fission

- Three technical papers by TÜV UK Associates
- **Better waste management** and rigorous application of the waste hierarchy
  - [“Blueprint for Future Nuclear Power”](#)
  - An abbreviated version was published in Industry Link Winter 2020
- **Nuclear heat is needed**, not just for electricity production
- Improved **public understanding of nuclear hazards** – nuclear power is (by objective standards) one of the safest forms of energy generation
- Second and third papers in preparation
- Second paper is relevant to today’s meeting and is the topic of this presentation



# Nuclear energy and renewable energy need to work together

- Renewable Energy (Wind power and solar power) are
  - Diffuse (generated over a large area and not necessarily where the energy is needed)
  - Intermittent (Provided only when the sun shines or the wind blows)
- Nuclear Energy is:
  - Intense (generated in a small area and potentially where it is needed)
  - Firm power (Provided when required)
- The two sources need to work together in harmony - because that will be the best strategy for combatting climate change



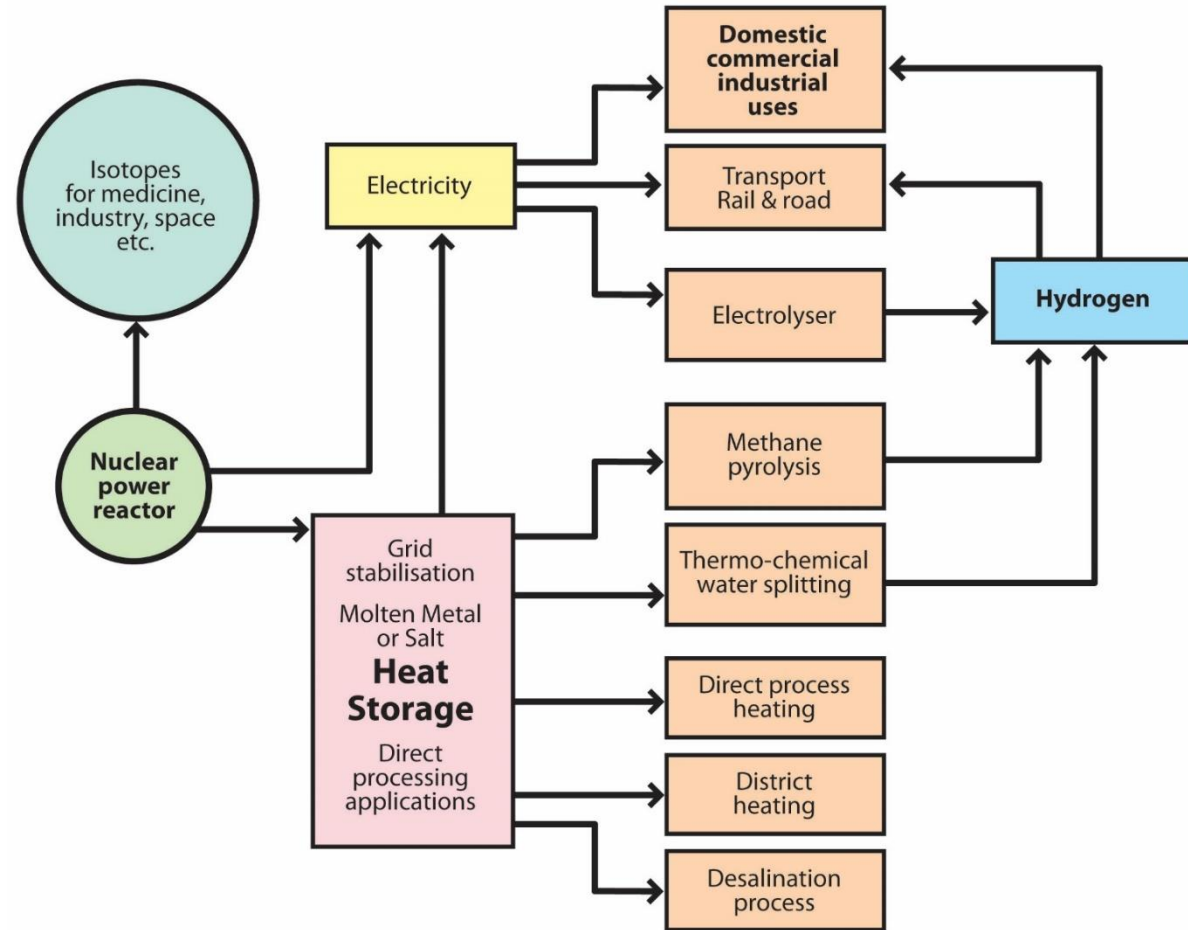
Source: World Nuclear News

Bill Gates' Terrapower "Natrium" Reactor supplies heat to a store during daytime when the sun is shining and the stored heat is used to make electricity at night

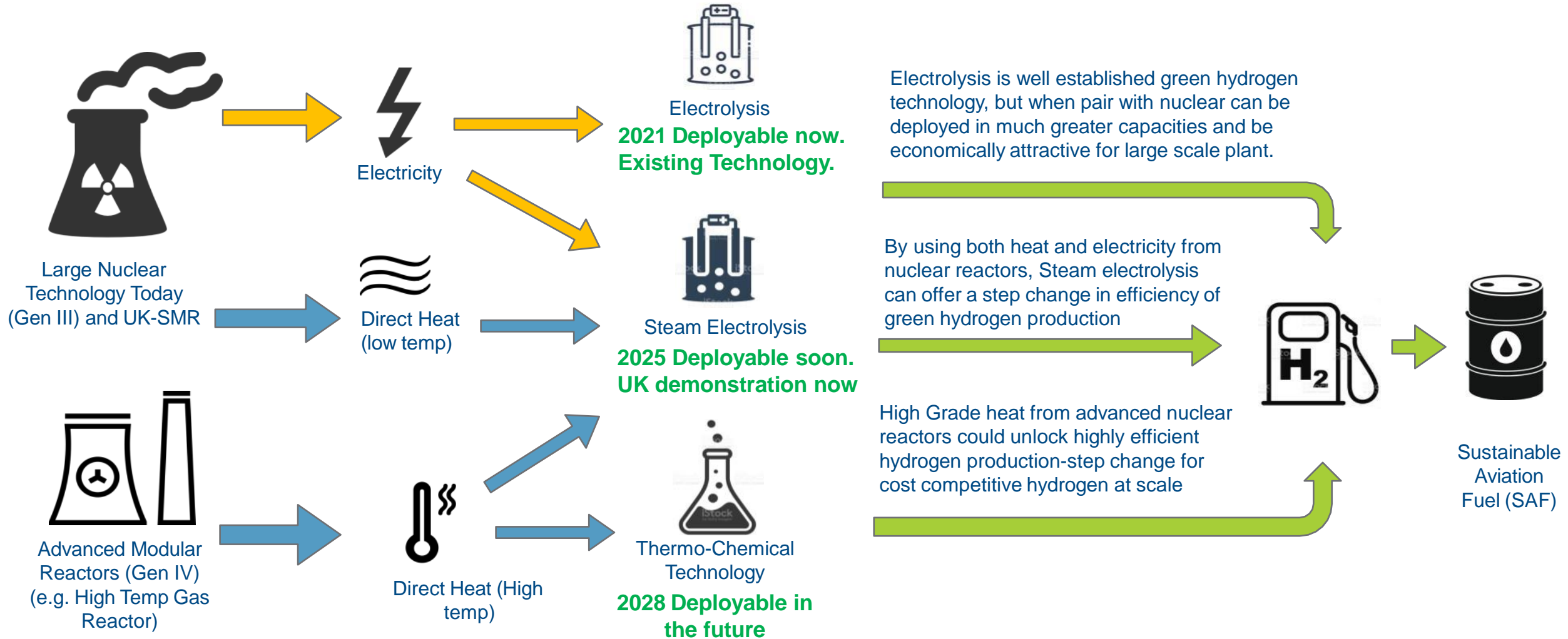
# Nuclear power is needed for more than just electricity

Nuclear **heat** is needed for

- Hydrogen production
- Water desalination
- Industrial process heat
- District heating
- Direct air capture of CO<sub>2</sub>
- Marine propulsion



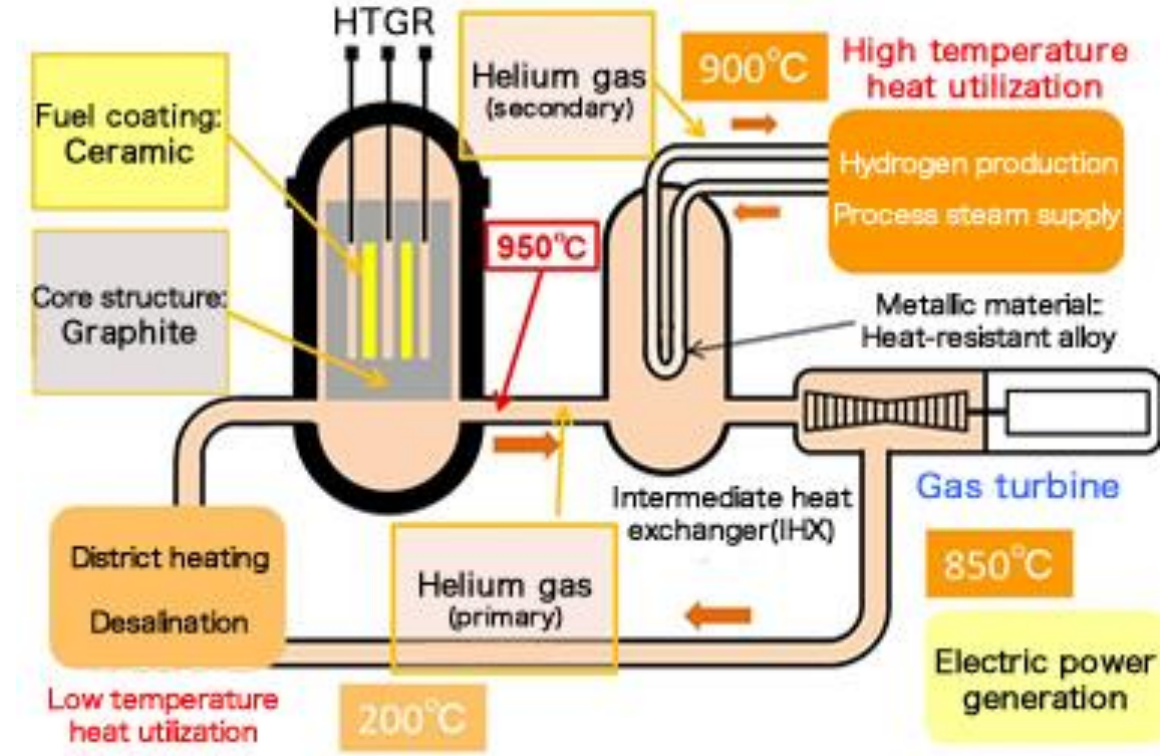
# How does Nuclear Energy make Hydrogen



Source: NNL

# Deploying nuclear heat

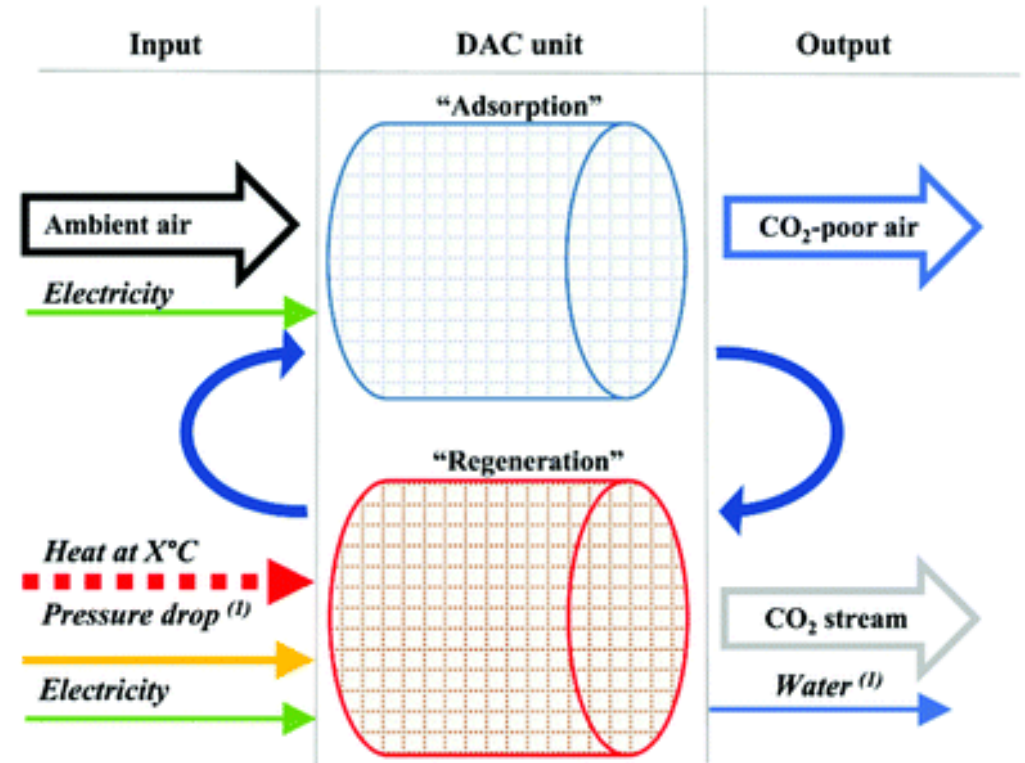
- The nuclear plant ideally needs to be close by
- A “nuclear park” concept e.g.
  - Premises heated by district heating
  - Industrial processes driven by nuclear heat
  - Direct carbon capture
  - Water desalination



Source :IAEA

# Direct air capture of CO<sub>2</sub> with nuclear heat

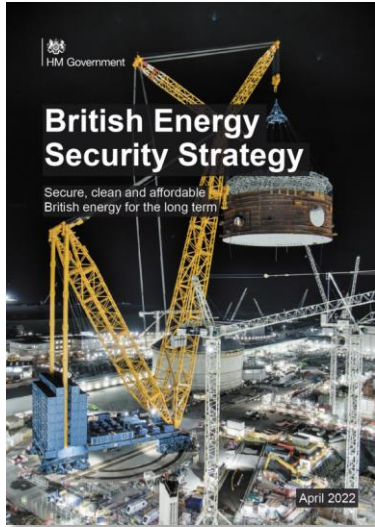
- Solid sorbent used to capture carbon dioxide from air
- Regenerated with waste heat from nuclear plant to release pure carbon dioxide
- Successful experiments recently reported
- Planned implementation at Sizewell C
- “Megatonnes” of carbon dioxide capture foreseen by this mechanism



Source: Royal Society of Chemistry

# Addressing the British Energy Security Strategy

Launched 7 April 2022



British energy security strategy - GOV.UK ([www.gov.uk](http://www.gov.uk))

British Energy Security Strategy sets out HMG plans to reduce reliance on energy from overseas, specifically:

**Nuclear** – major increase in support, target of up to 24 GW by 2050 stated. HTGR supported as the AMR of choice.

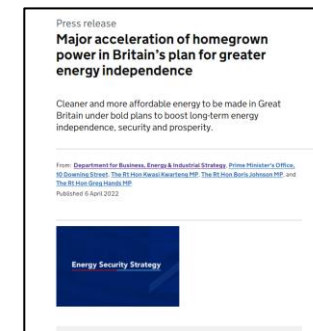
**Hydrogen** - 10GW by 2030, with at least half of this from electrolytic hydrogen. No reference yet to high heat processes.

**We believe there is an opportunity to make local propositions in response to this national ambition**

Alongside the strategy was a press release and an article on **Nuclear energy: What you need to know**



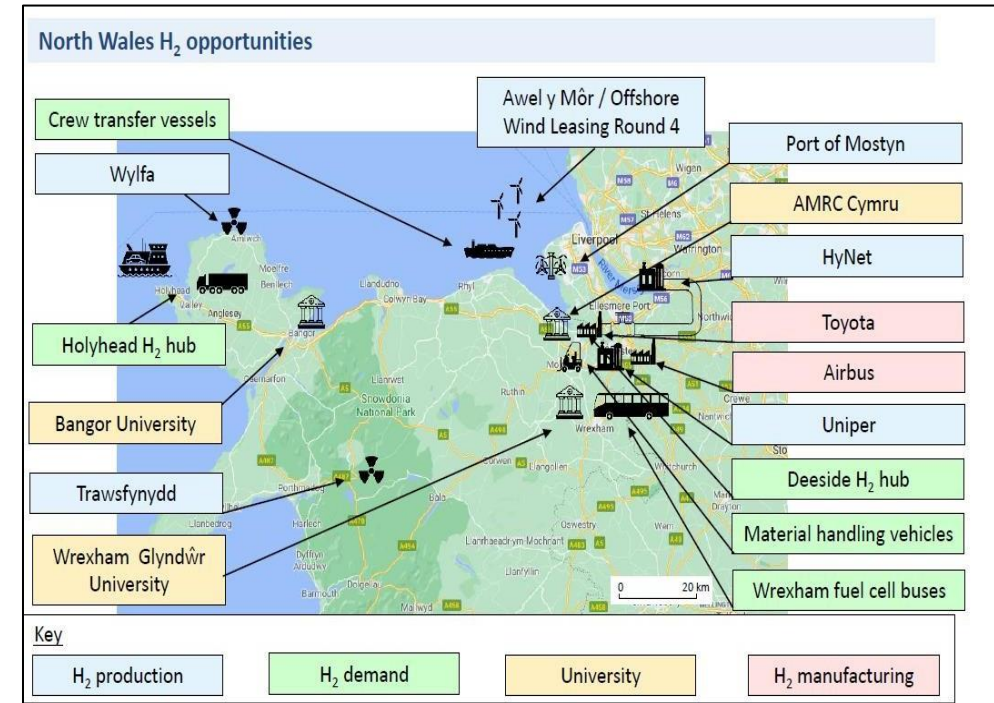
Major acceleration of homegrown power in Britain's plan for greater energy independence - GOV.UK ([www.gov.uk](http://www.gov.uk))



Nuclear energy: What you need to know - GOV.UK ([www.gov.uk](http://www.gov.uk))

# Working collaboratively between Northern Nuclear Alliance and NW Hydrogen Alliance

- Northwest of the UK consumes about 5% UK's total energy in a small area around Chester/Manchester
  - Perfect opportunity to address UK government's ambition for an "AMR (HTGR) – led" industrial complex
  - Potential for hydrogen storage in an off-shore gas-field
  - Plan for 2,000 homes in the area to be heated with hydrogen – a "hydrogen village"
  - The "Welsh connection" Wylfa and Trawsfynydd nuclear sites
  - NNA (Northern Nuclear Alliance) and NWA (Northwest Hydrogen Alliance) coming together to define this opportunity



Source: Welsh Government





# Public understanding of nuclear safety

- This is probably the biggest challenge
- Nuclear energy is objectively one of the safest forms of energy generation
- That is not how the public generally views it
- Addressing these concerns will be a real challenge for the “nuclear park” concept
- We must face this challenge head-on, or risk nuclear energy failing to play its essential role in combatting climate change
- Nuclear parks are also an opportunity – more familiarity will generate more public understanding
- NIA can help!

*“The anti-nuclear movement to which I belonged has misled the world about the impacts of radiation on human health”*

George Monbiot, Environmentalist, April 2011

# Summary

- Nuclear energy is essential for combatting climate change effectively
- Renewable and nuclear energy working together is the most effective strategy
- Nuclear heat is needed for purposes additional to electricity generation
- “Nuclear parks” will be necessary to gain the full benefit of these concepts
- The biggest challenge is to improve the public understanding of nuclear hazards



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# TERRESTRIAL ENERGY

*Ammonia Industry*

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**What is ammonia used for?**

- Household cleaners such as glass cleaner, stainless steel and porcelain surfaces
- Industrial Refrigerant. Ammonia is a very efficient cooling fluid



- Intermediaries for chemical industry e.g. UREA
- Fertilizers as an essential nutrient for plants and our crops. Currently 80% of ammonia produced today is used for fertilizers



Source: <https://techiescientist.com/uses-of-ammonia/>

- Clean Fuel as ammonia does not contain carbon, nor would its combustion generate greenhouse gases or other contaminants
- Why?
  - *Its carbon free*
  - *It could replace gasoline, diesel and kerosene*
  - *Leaks can be easily detected*
  - *Its already produced today so experience in production and transportation*
  - *It has three hydrogen atoms so is a hydrogen carrier*
  - *Distribution channels already established*



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- Ammonia could be a potential fuel solution and hydrogen carrier. The challenge is the **heat source for hydrogen cracking** stage
- Engines, gas turbines and other combustion systems could be adapted to work with ammonia. Engines are targeting readiness for maritime by **2024**
- Producing ammonia with clean energy is needed to ensure it is truly a low carbon fuel solution. This is where nuclear can be the solution. The selection of the right **Fission technology** and design **drives the economics of heat and power** generation that produces **cost effective ammonia**



## Advantage & Disadvantages of Ammonia as a hydrogen carrier

### Advantages

- Already produced on a large scale
- Already globally traded
- Low transport losses
- High energy density and hydrogen content
- Carbon-free carrier
- Can be used directly in some applications (e.g. fertilisers, power generation, maritime fuel)
- Can be easily liquefied (20°C at 7.5 bar or -33°C at 1 bar)

### Disadvantages

- High (12-26%) energy consumption for ammonia synthesis
- High (13-34%) energy consumption for reconversion (importing region) with high temperature requirement (up to 900°C but more commonly in the 500-550°C range)
- Ship engines using ammonia as fuel need to be demonstrated
- Might require further purification of the hydrogen produced
- Hydrogen compression needed for most applications
- Higher NOx (nitrogen oxides) production during shipping would require flue gas treatment
- Toxic and corrosive
- Flexibility of the ammonia synthesis and cracking still to be proven

# Ammonia Market Scale

## Rising Market Trends

- 320MtCO2 from fossil fuels for energy. 50GW to produce 20Mt/yr ammonia
- Expanding market looking at ammonia as fuel for shipping
- 34Mt/yr within next decade
- Most forecast does not include reconversion to H2 yet

FIGURE 2.3. Projected green ammonia capacity according to project announcements

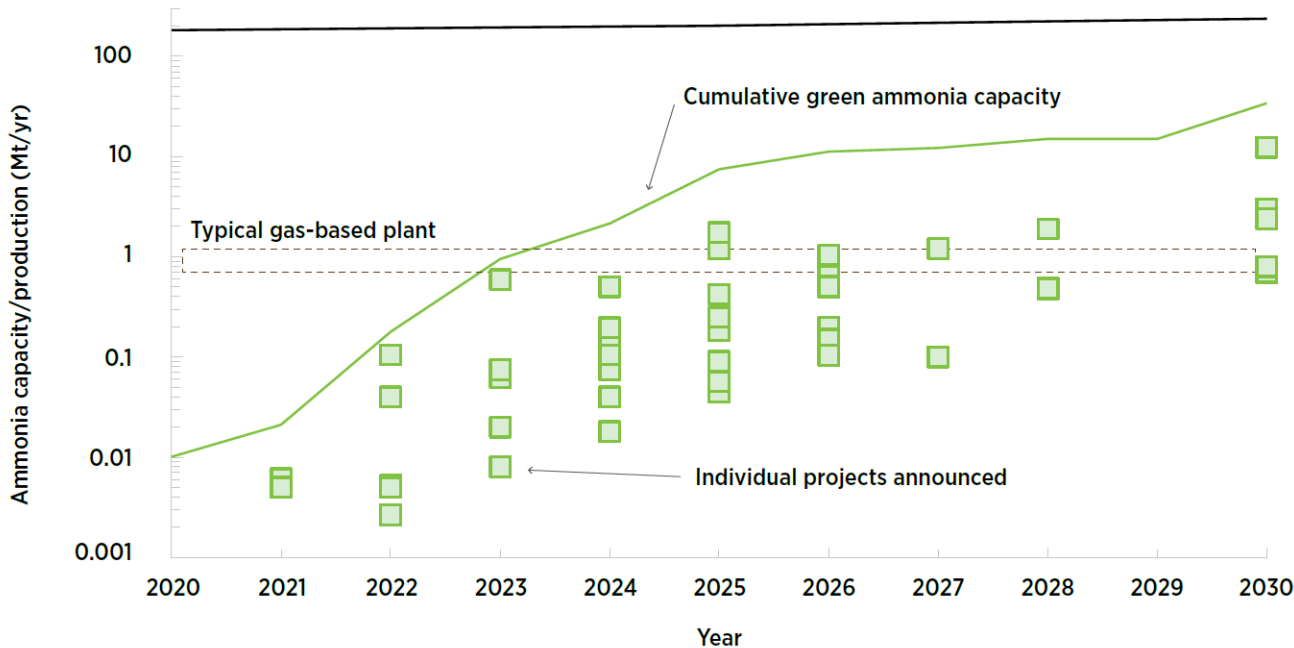
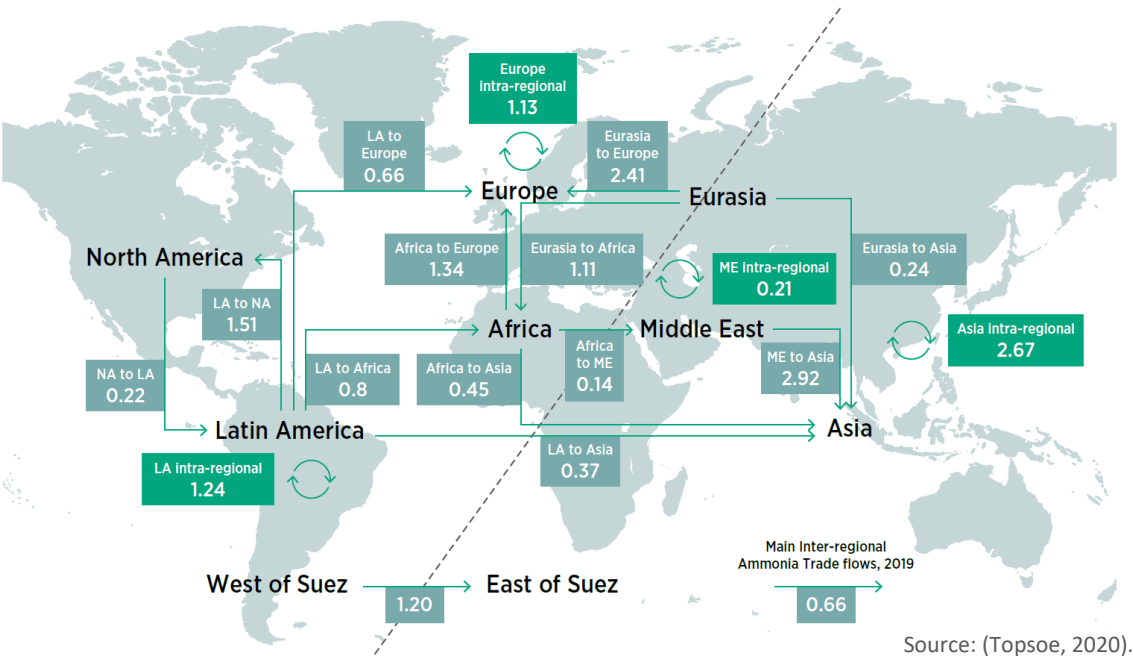


FIGURE 2.1. Global trade flows of ammonia in 2019 (Mt)



Source: (Topsoe, 2020).

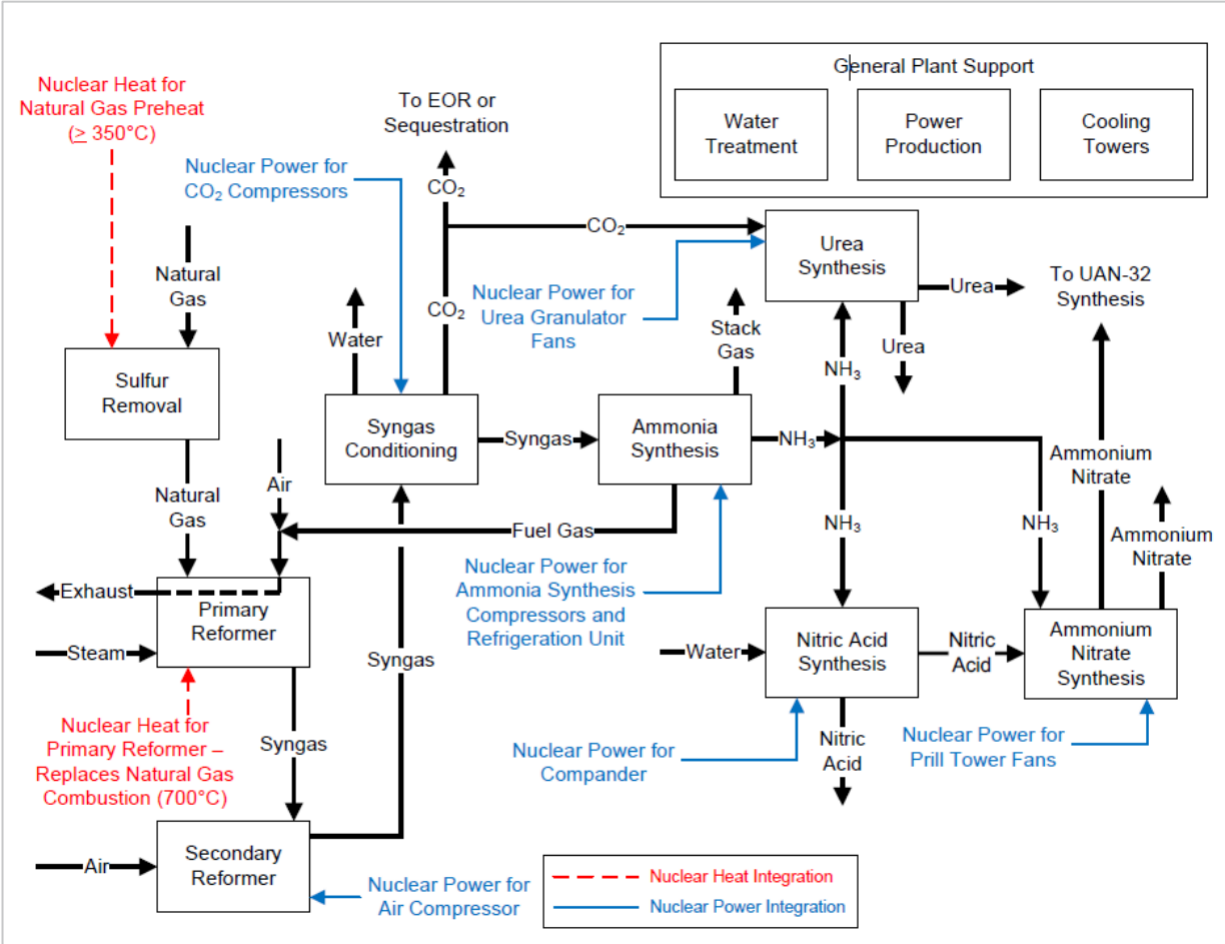
## Global Market

- Ammonia facilities are located inland
- Multiple storage facilities e.g. US has over 10,000
- 183Mt/yr in 2020 requiring 32.4MtH<sub>2</sub>
- 72% is made from natural gas

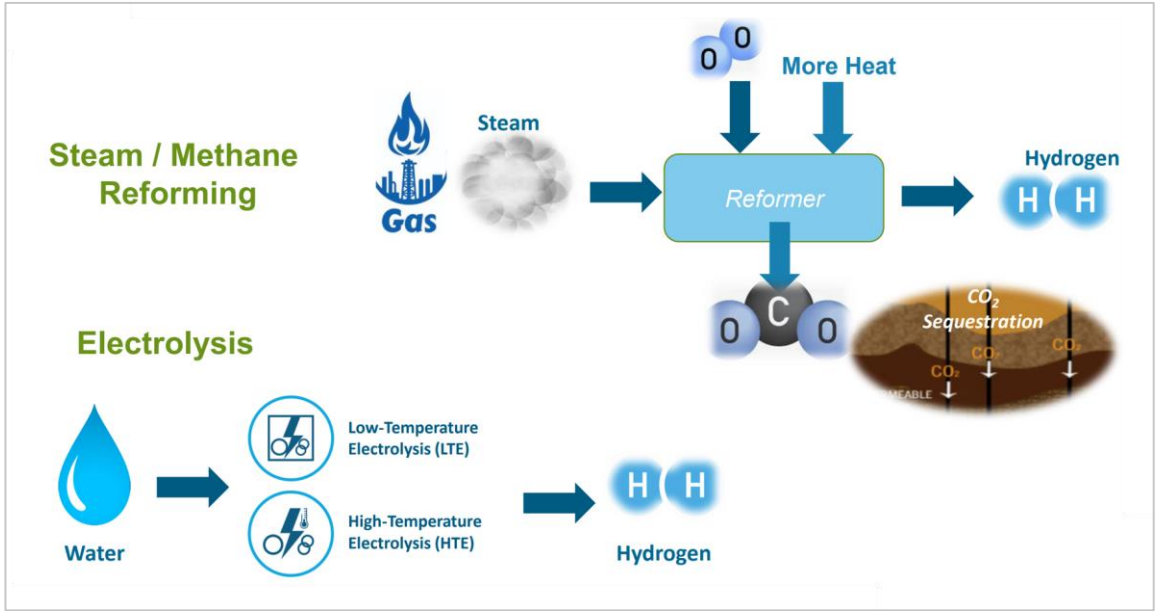
Citation: IRENA (2022), Global hydrogen trade to meet the 1.5°C climate goal: Part II – Technology review of hydrogen carriers, International Renewable Energy Agency, Abu Dhabi

# What's the role of nuclear?

# What's Nuclear role



Source: Idaho National Laboratory



Source: Idaho National Laboratory

- ## Nuclear Role
- Decarbonise the energy used
  - Provide competitive electricity, and high quality industrial heat
  - Take advantage of the exothermic release of heat (8%)

**IMSR is a fission technology delivering  
“high-quality” heat and electricity  
at a low cost to enable an essential  
pathway to Net Zero**

**Our technology supports decarbonisation  
of ammonia**



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**Wrap up**

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