

**TATA STEEL**



# Sustainable BF process

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# Agenda

Sustainability mission

Decarbonisation route TSN 2030

Green ironmaking today

- Examples

Final remarks



Clean

Green

Circular

Leadership principles

Themes

Connect



Change



Care



People & Society



Environment & Community



Decarbonisation & Sustainability



Customers & Value

## Purpose

*Why we are on the journey*

Improving how people around the world work, live and move, through sustainable steel

## Mission

*The route we follow*

To continue to play a meaningful role for all our stakeholders as a clean, green, circular steel company that creates value, is an employer of choice, and maintains an ongoing dialogue with our neighbours

## Vision

*What we expect to find when we arrive*

A clean, green and circular steel company that is sustainable in every sense

# Clean, green and circular

*What does this mean effectively?*

- **Clean:** the reduction of fine dust emissions by roofing a large part of our raw materials required for green steel.
- **Green:** 40% less CO<sub>2</sub> emissions by 2030 = CO<sub>2</sub> footprint of 385.000 Dutch citizens a year. CO<sub>2</sub> neutral in 2045
- **Circular:** The use of scrap will be increased from 17% to 30% from 2030 onwards





# Green iron & steelmaking

- Reduction of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions
- In EU: Emission Trading System (ETS)
  - Reducing free allowances in future years
  - Increasing trading prices in last years
- Encourages CO<sub>2</sub> reduction measures
- TSN top 3 in CO<sub>2</sub> benchmark (Worldsteel benchmark 2021)
  - Includes scope 1,2,3 emissions
  - Combination of process improvements and route choices of all plants on integrated site, incl. BF ironmaking

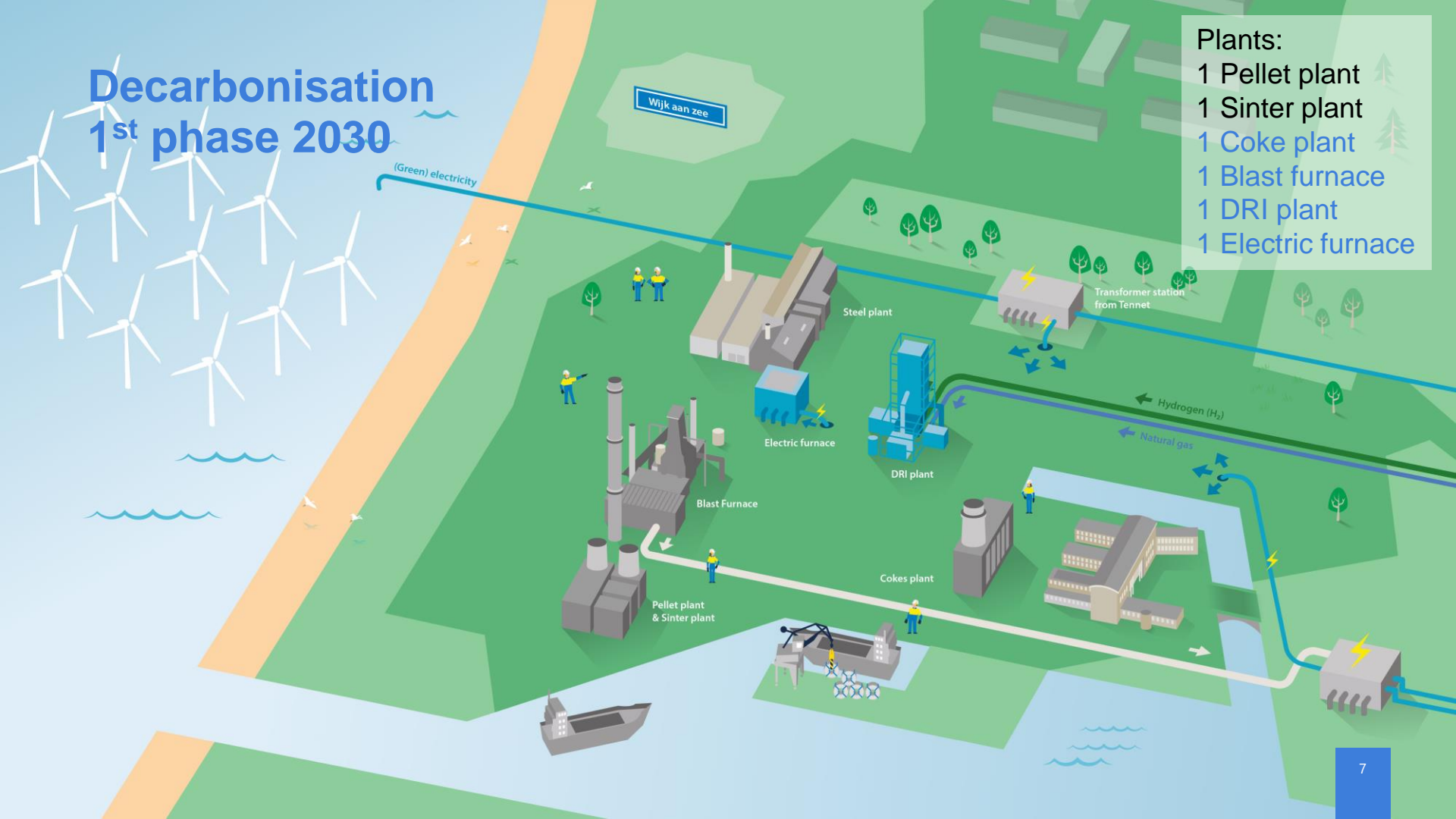


# Current Situation

- Plants:
- 1 Pellet plant
  - 1 Sinter plant (3 strands)
  - 2 Coke plants
  - 2 Blast furnaces



# Decarbonisation 1<sup>st</sup> phase 2030



- Plants:
- 1 Pellet plant
  - 1 Sinter plant
  - 1 Coke plant
  - 1 Blast furnace
  - 1 DRI plant
  - 1 Electric furnace



# Sustainable Blast Furnace ironmaking

## “Short term” sustainability:

- Currently (up to 2030):
  - 2 Blast Furnaces
- After 2030 (up to 2<sup>nd</sup> phase):
  - 1 Blast Furnace
- Besides step change in 2030: continuous focus on CO<sub>2</sub> reduction in BF route
- Limited investments in BF route
  - Capex required “long term” decarbonisation
- ETS: CO<sub>2</sub> large contributor in steel production costs

## Blast Furnace CO<sub>2</sub> reduction:

- Improve efficiency: Less carbon input
- Reduce coke rate: Overall less coal requirement
- Optimise productivity
- Increase scrap input





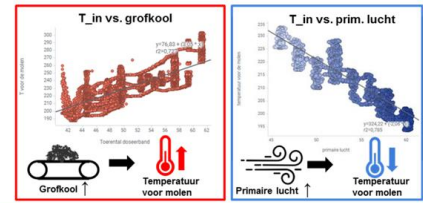
# BF efficiency improvements

- Using Advanced Analytics models to better understand the impact of input materials and process settings
  - AA model Top Gas Utilisation
  - AA model Furnace Resistance
- Increase Hot Blast temperature (stove optimisation)
- Improve burden distribution
- Optimise process settings
- Maximise own agglomerates
- Etc.

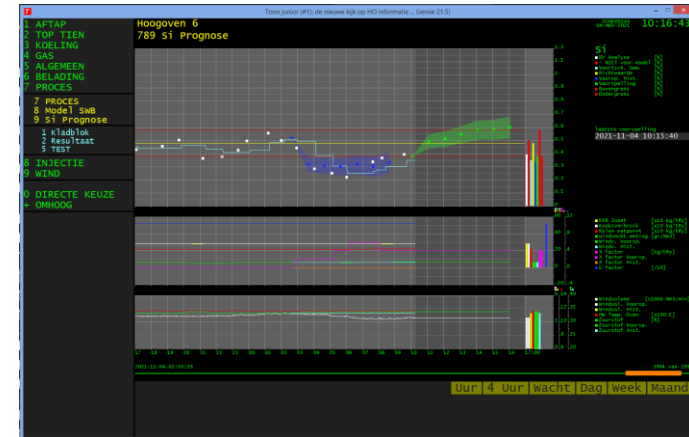
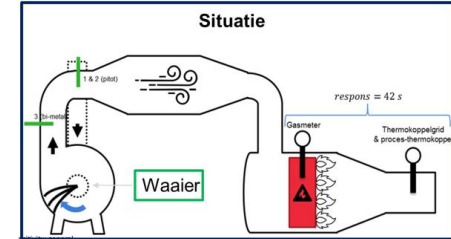


# Coke rate reduction

- Increase coal injection (enabler for increasing coal):
  - Debottleneck coal grinding
    - Less moisture in raw coal
    - Less stops / reliability (e.g. better control of screening)
    - Increase throughput (temperature control, increase drying air flow, automation)
  - Improve [Si] (thermal) control (enabler for reducing coke rate):
    - AA model in control room
  - Continuous improvement in process stability
    - Process settings
    - Raw material quality
    - Slag properties



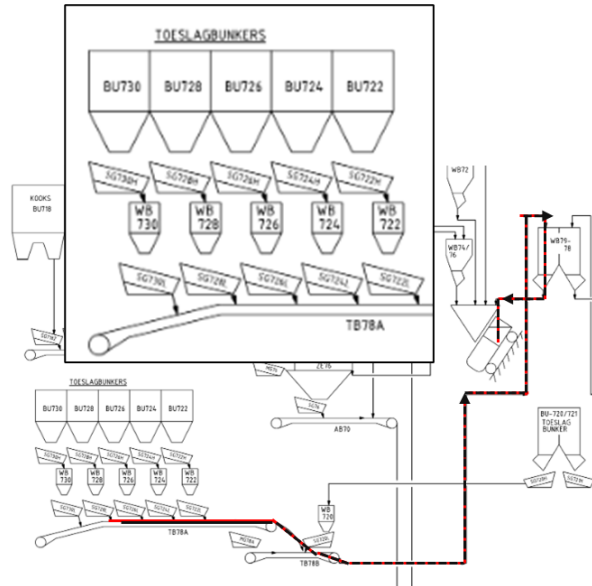
Per 1000 Nm<sup>3</sup>/h beschikbare primaire lucht extra kan de grofkoal doorvoer worden verhoogd met 0,66 ton/h.





# BF trial scrap charging (1)

- Material selection and evaluation suitable for current installation (conveyor belts, stockhouse, skip and BF top)
- Trial done with 200 tonnes shredded scrap (size 15-100 mm)



## BF trial scrap charging (2)

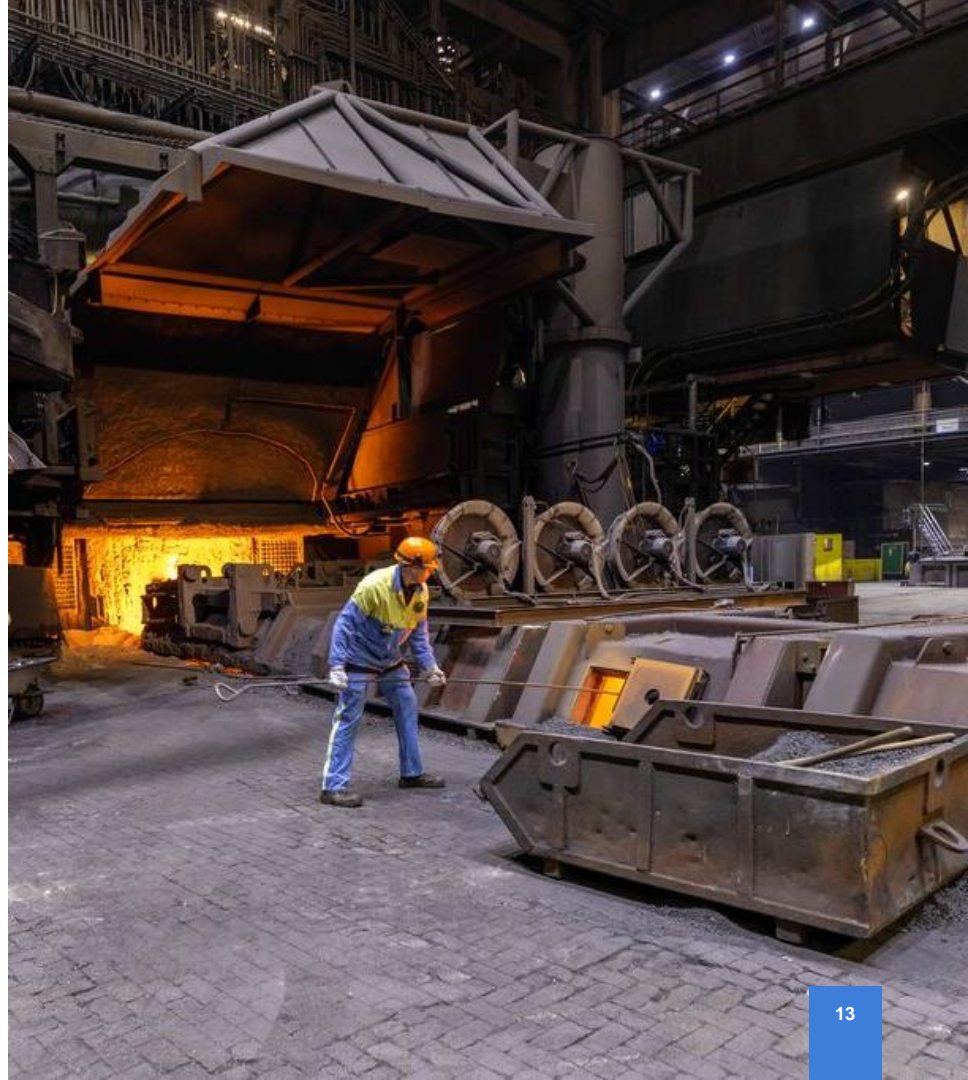
- Trial successful
- Points of attention for further trials:
  - Potential damages on belts
  - Spark formation
  - Blockages due to larger pieces (see picture)
  - Noise (also focus by authorities)
  - HM quality at higher scrap rates
- However, first priority maximising scrap usage in steel plant
  - E.g. increase HM temperature by improved torpedo insulation and logistics





# Final remark

- Just some examples of “sustainable” ironmaking
- Numerous other projects within the current route
  - E.g. Biomass, emission reduction, dust control, etc.
- Maintain focus on continuous improvements in stability and efficiency





**Thank you!**