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**Direct Reduced Iron and its  
future in Steelmaking:  
Tenova iBlue<sup>®</sup>**

The use of Hydrogen for  
Green Steel Production

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TENOVA

## OUR FAMILY



USD **33.6** billion  
Annual Revenues



**60,000**  
Permanent Employees



**79,300**  
Total Employees



**5**  
Continents

Revenues as of December 31, 2022

## Six main Companies with operations worldwide



48



34



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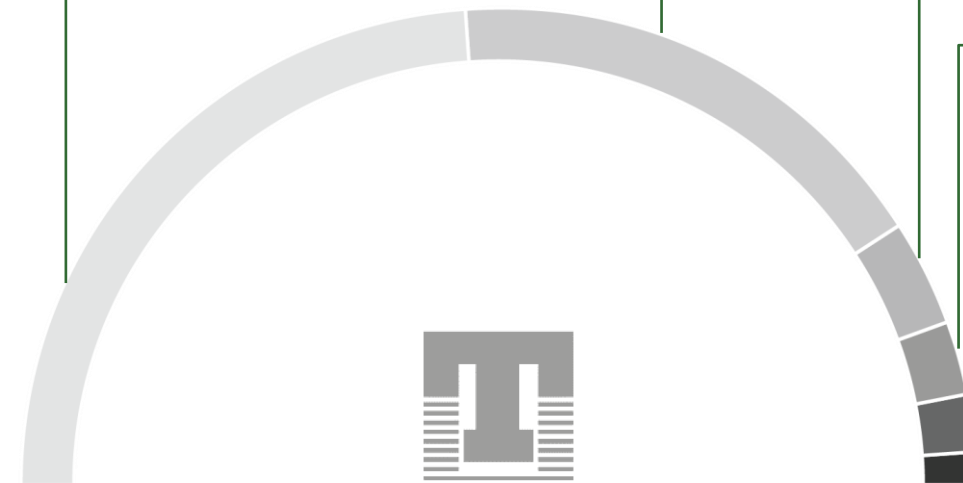
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Data in %



# Top 50 steel-producing companies 2022

million tonnes, crude steel production

Rank	Company	Tonnage	Rank	Company	Tonnage
1	China Baowu Group <sup>(1)</sup>	131.84	26	Techint Group	14.86
2	ArcelorMittal <sup>(2)</sup>	68.89	27	U. S. Steel	14.49
3	Ansteel Group <sup>(3)</sup>	55.65	28	Shenglong Metallurgical	14.21
4	Nippon Steel Corporation <sup>(4)</sup>	44.37	29	Baotou Steel	14.18
5	Shagang Group	41.45	30	Jingye Group	13.97
6	HBIS Group	41.00	31	China Steel Corporation	13.96
7	POSCO Holdings	38.64	32	Sinogiant Group	13.95
8	Jianlong Group	36.56	33	Tsingshan Holding	13.92
9	Shougang Group	33.82	34	Gerdau S.A.	13.90
10	Tata Steel	30.18	35	EVRAZ	12.50 <sup>(5)</sup>
11	Shandong Steel Group	29.42	36	Zenith Steel	12.23
12	Delong Steel	27.90	37	Shaanxi Steel	12.17
13	Hunan Steel Group <sup>(6)</sup>	26.43	38	MMK	11.69
14	JFE Steel Corporation	26.20	39	Anyang Steel	11.18
15	JSW Steel Limited	23.38	40	Sanming Steel	11.03
16	Nucor Corporation	20.60	41	Nanjing Steel	11.00
17	Fangda Steel	19.70	42	Severstal	10.69
18	Hyundai Steel	18.77	43	thyssenkrupp	9.93
19	Liuzhou Steel	18.21	44	Steel Dynamics, Inc.	9.73
20	IMIDRO <sup>(7)</sup>	18.00 <sup>(8)</sup>	45	Donghai Special Steel	9.65
21	SAIL	17.93	46	Jiuquan Steel	9.01
22	Cleveland-Cliffs	16.80	47	Jindal Steel and Power	8.01
23	NLMK	16.00 <sup>(9)</sup>	48	Erdemir Group	7.79
24	Rizhao Steel	15.63	49	Jinxi Steel	7.43
25	CITIC Pacific	15.03	50	voestalpine Group	7.42





The ten steel-producing companies recognised as the 2023 Steel Sustainability Champions for their work in 2022 are:



ArcelorMittal



HBIS Group Co., Ltd.



HYUNDAI Steel Company



JFE Steel Corporation



JSW Steel Limited



Nippon Steel Corporation



POSCO Holdings



Tata Steel



Tenaris



Ternium

# Sustainable Solutions for Metals and Mining

## WHO WE ARE

Tenova, a Techint Group Company, is your worldwide partner for **sustainable, innovative and reliable solutions in the metals and** – also through the well-known TAKRAF and DELKOR brands – in the **mining** industries. We design and develop solutions that help companies to:



**REDUCE  
COSTS**



**SAVE  
ENERGY**



**LIMIT  
ENVIRONMENTAL  
IMPACT**



**IMPROVE  
WORKING  
CONDITIONS**

# Global Footprint

## OUR WORLD PRESENCE



## OUR APPROACH

**Sustenovability** is a neologism that embodies the perfect blend between the Tenova Brand, its eco-friendly values and its capacity to **deliver sustainable solutions**



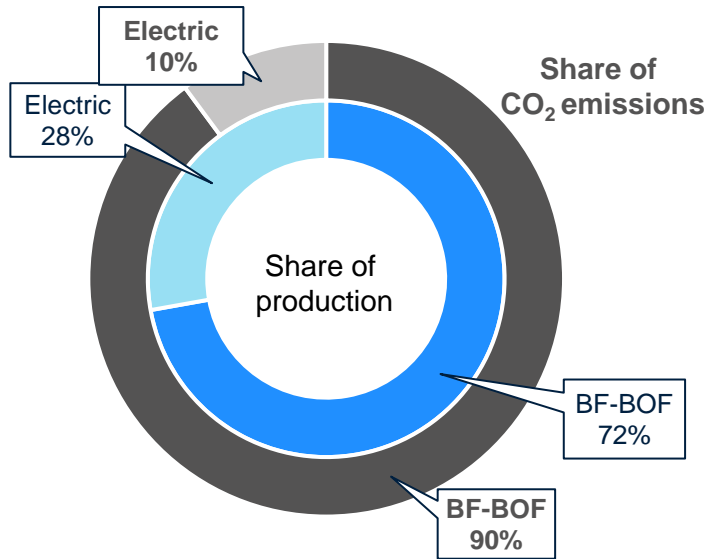
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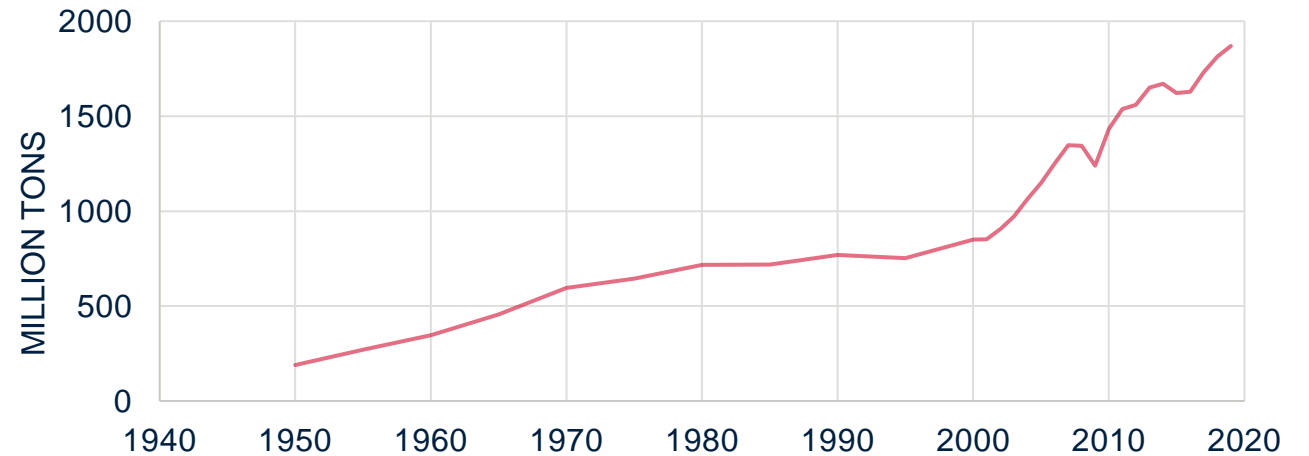
is a new web platform featuring stories, best practices and case studies that highlight how Tenova is living up to its commitment towards sustainability

# Different routes, different CO<sub>2</sub> footprint

STEELMAKING ACCOUNTS FOR 31% OF TOTAL CO<sub>2</sub> INDUSTRIAL EMISSIONS.



Yearly crude steel production, world  
(source: "2020 World Steel in Figures", World Steel Association)



tCO <sub>2</sub> /ton (tot. crude steel)	BF/BOF min	BF/BOF max	EAF min	EAF max
IEA 2003	1.62	2.2	0.56	0.91
Carbon Trust 2011	1.8	3	0.2	0.4
EUROFER 2015	1,876		0,410	

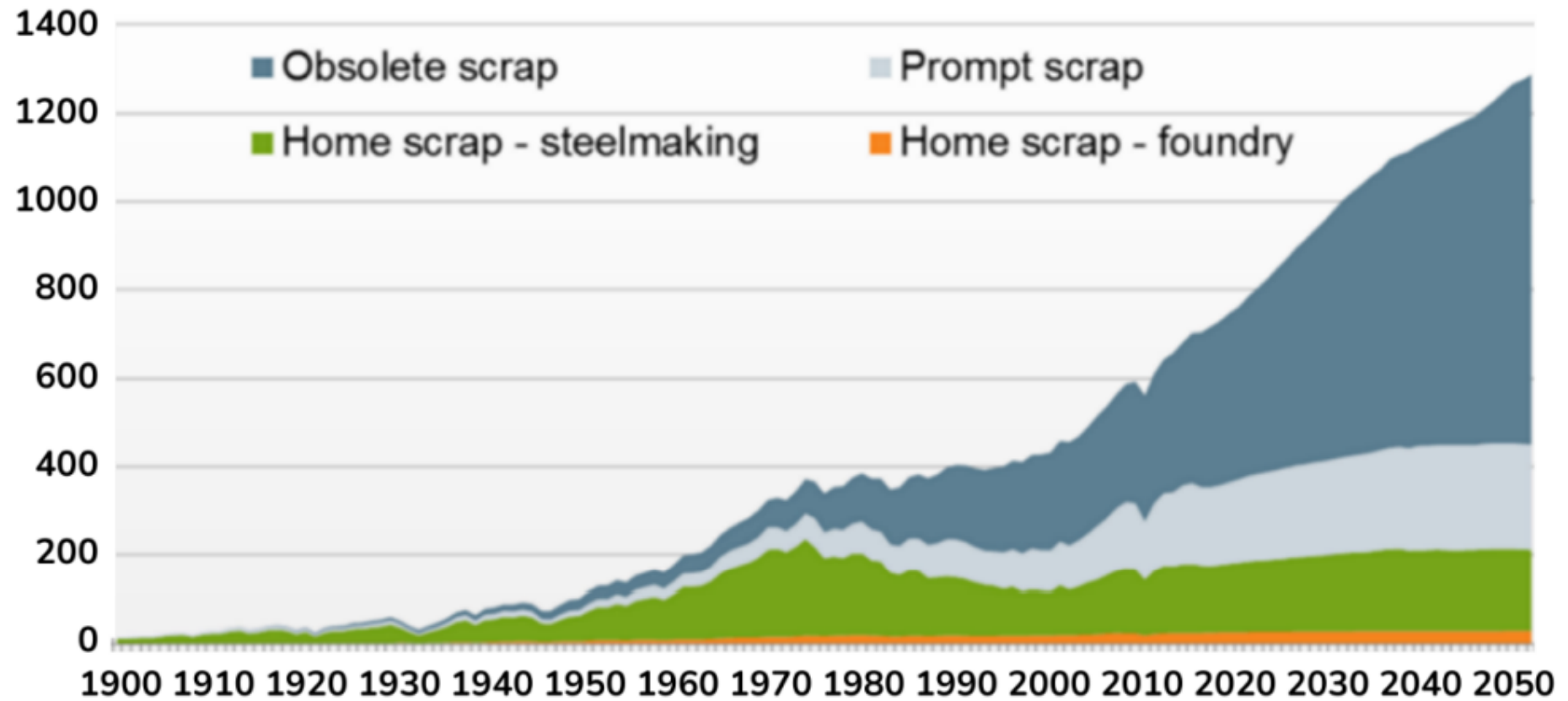
Source: author's own elaboration of data from Carbon Trust. (May 2011). Steel. London, UK: International Carbon Flows and de Beer, J., Harnisch, J., & Kressemeeckers, M. (Oct 2003). Greenhouse Gas Emissions from Steel Production. Greenhouse Gas R&D Programme: International Energy Agency - Greenhouse Gas R&D Programme



# Global scrap availability

Increase of volumes, but lower qualities

## Global scrap availability



Source: World Steel Association

# Cannot do without virgin iron units

## LIMITATIONS ON CONTENT OF TRAMP ELEMENTS IN LIQUID STEEL FOR SOME PRODUCTS

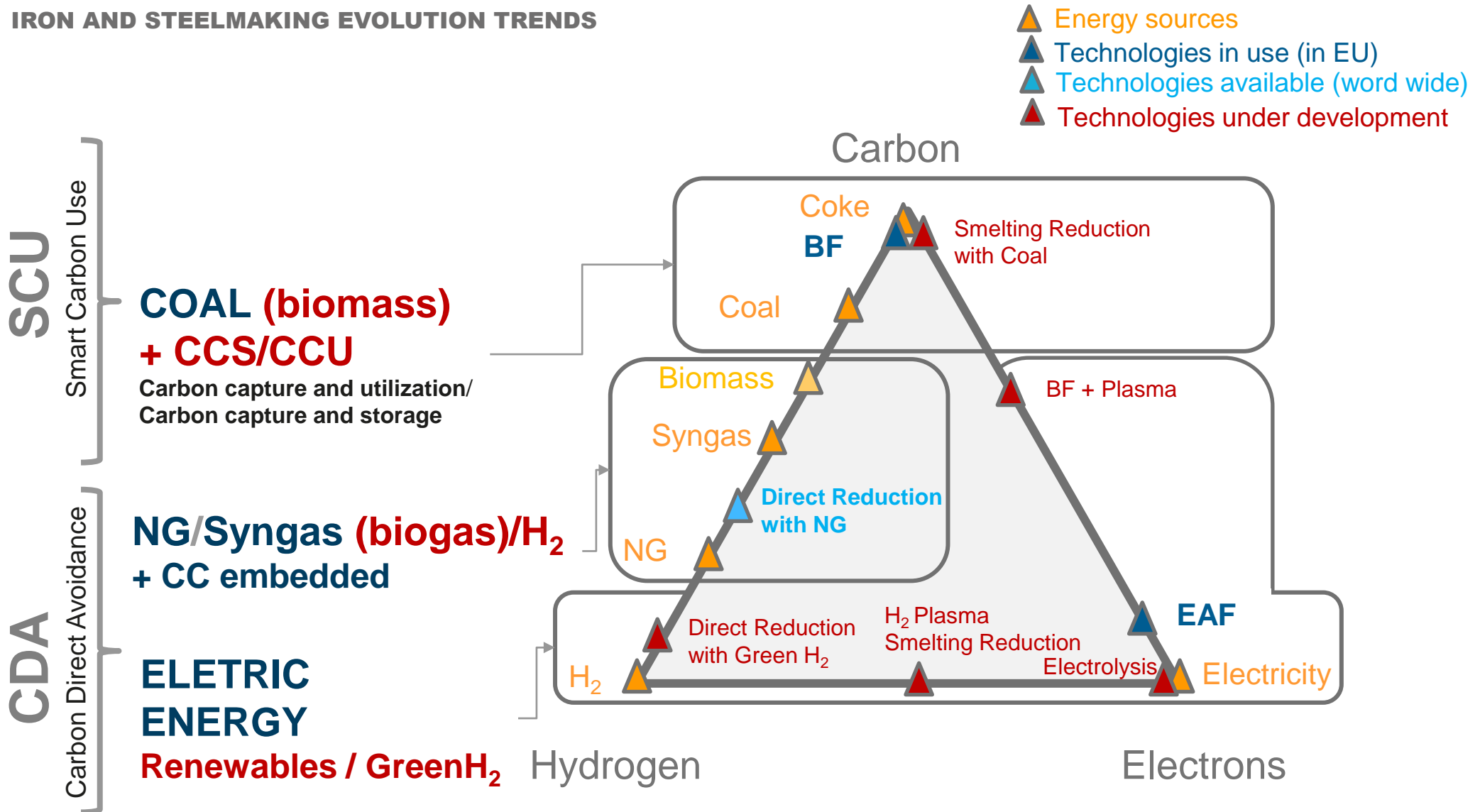


*Concentration of tramp elements in scrap is increasing, and incompatible with many high-quality steel grades, so dilution with virgin iron (HBI, DRI, Hot Metal, Pig Iron) is needed.*

			Grade 1	Grade 2	Grade 3	Grade 4	Grade 5
<b>Cu content range (liquid steel)</b>	<b>ppm</b>		<500	700-1000	1000-1500	1500-2000	2500-3000
<b>Cu content target (liquid steel)</b>	<b>ppm</b>		450	850	1250	1750	2750
<b>Design charge mix</b>							
		<b>Cu content</b>	<b>Grade 1</b>	<b>Grade 2</b>	<b>Grade 3</b>	<b>Grade 4</b>	<b>Grade 5</b>
Bushelling (E2, E8)	%	1000ppm	12%	7%	18%	25%	0%
Obsolete scrap, heavy melting (HMS1)	%	2500ppm	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Obsolete scrap (E1)	%	3500ppm	5%	18%	13%	19%	50%
Obsolete scrap, heavy melting (HMS2)	%	4000ppm	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%
Collected scrap(EHRB)	%	4500ppm	0%	0%	9%	14%	15%
Internal return	%	1500ppm	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%
HBI	%	0	48%	41%	25%	8%	0%
Pig Iron	%	0	30%	30%	30%	30%	30%
<b>EAF output data</b>							
			<b>Grade 1</b>	<b>Grade 2</b>	<b>Grade 3</b>	<b>Grade 4</b>	<b>Grade 5</b>
Tap to tap	[min]		46	46	46	46	46
Electrical consumption	[kwh/ton]		404	398	387	377	368
Electrode consumption	[Kg/ton]		1,18	1,16	1,14	1,11	1,10
Oxygen consumption	[Nm3/ton]		39,2	38,8	36,9	35,1	35,6
Carbon consumption	[Kg/ton]		12	12	12	12	12
Natural gas consumption	[Nm3/ton]		2,5	2,5	2,4	2,3	2,3
Lime	[kg/tls]		33,8	32,5	28,8	28,8	28,1
Dolomite	[kg/tls]		13,8	15,6	15,6	15,0	12,5

# Technological innovations

## IRON AND STEELMAKING EVOLUTION TRENDS



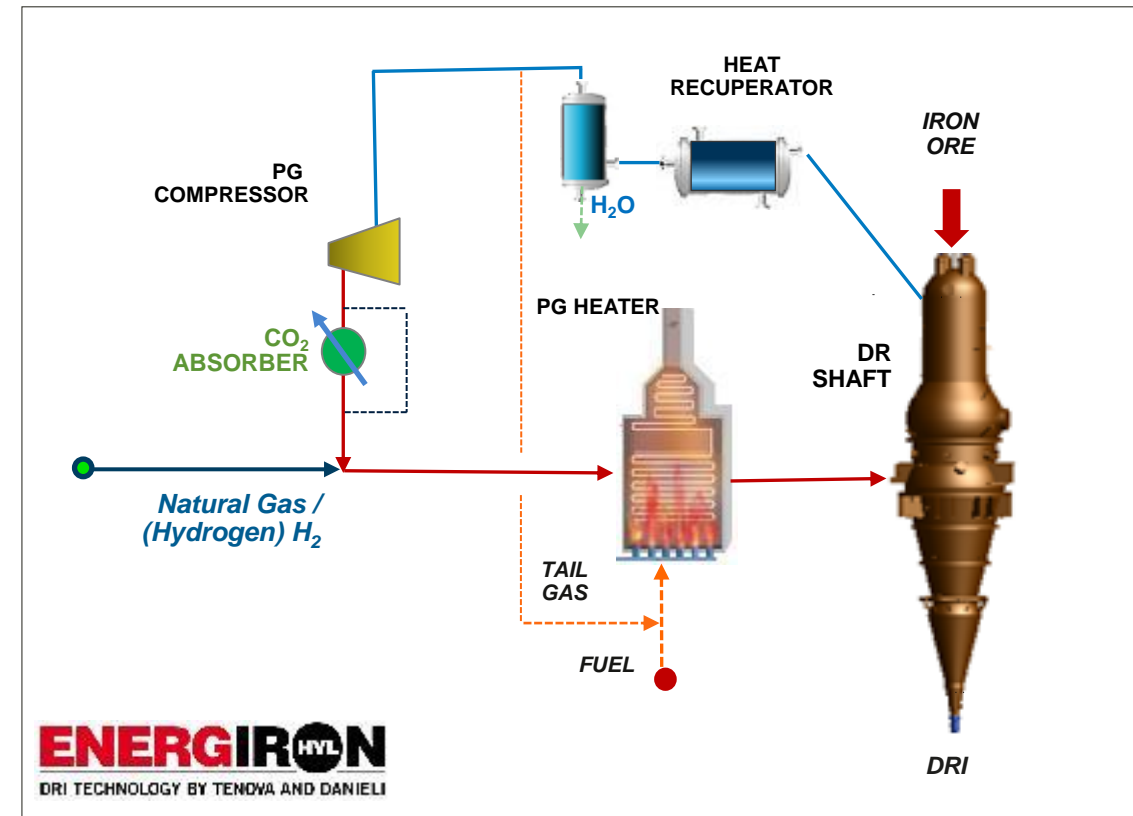
The unique features that make  
**ENERGIRON<sup>®</sup>** the preferred **DRI**  
**technology** towards **sustainability**



# DRI Technology Characteristics for Green Steel

## BASIC REQUIREMENTS FOR DECARBONIZING IRONMAKING/STEELMAKING INDUSTRY

- ✓ Possibility for inherent **CCU/CCS**.  
ENERGIRON DR technology has an inherent selective CO<sub>2</sub> removal as part of its standard and unique scheme.
- ✓ **Hydrogen Ready!** Flexibility to operate with NG/H<sub>2</sub> from 0-100%:  
ENERGIRON is the only DR technology available capable to operate from 100%NG - 100%H<sub>2</sub> in **reversible operating mode** at any moment with no need to modify the process configuration.
- ✓ Flexibility for **high %C DRI** for HM production  
ENERGIRON is the only proven technology to produce >4%C DRI with 100%NG. Even with 30%H<sub>2</sub> (energy), %C >3.3% can be achieved.

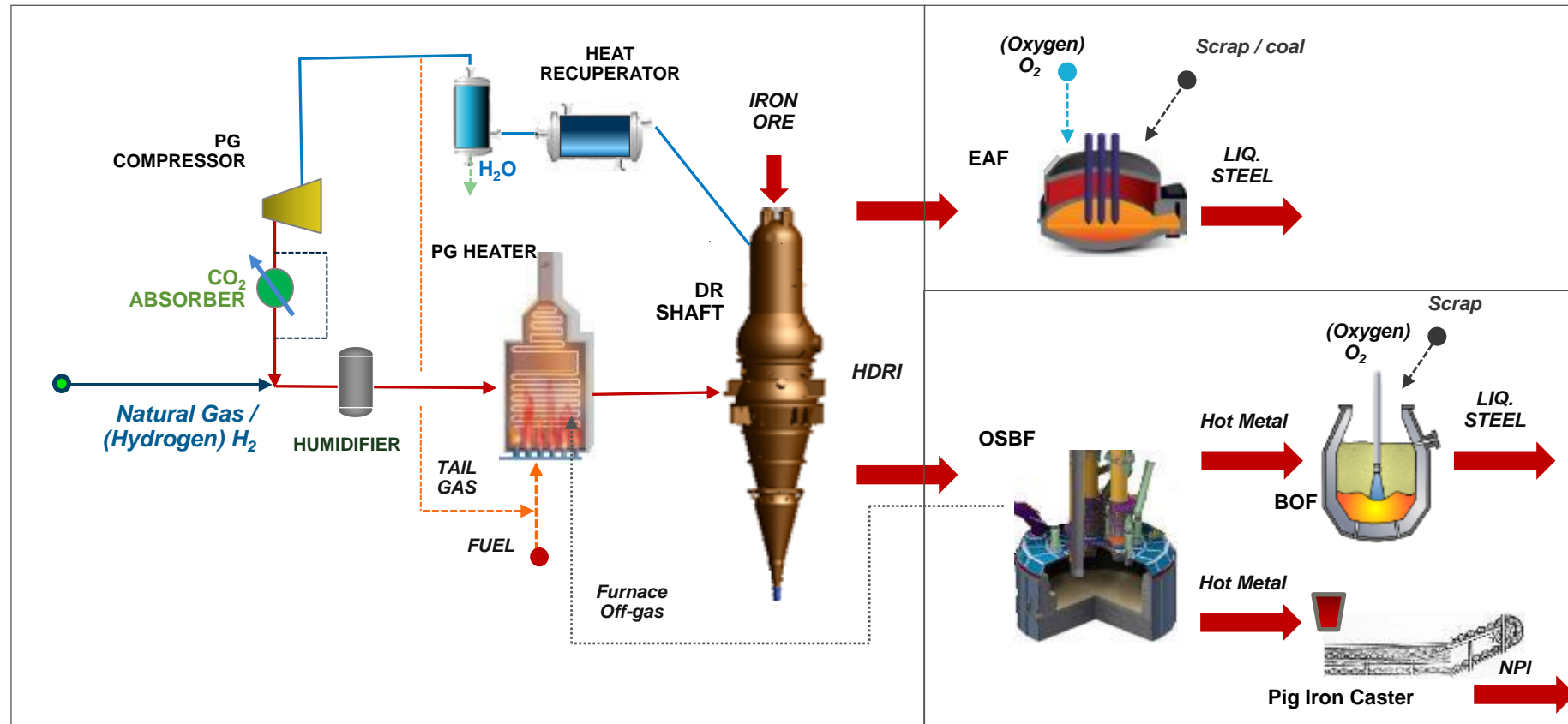


**ENERGIRON**® DRI Standard ZR Process Scheme

# Routes for Low-C Footprint Steelmaking

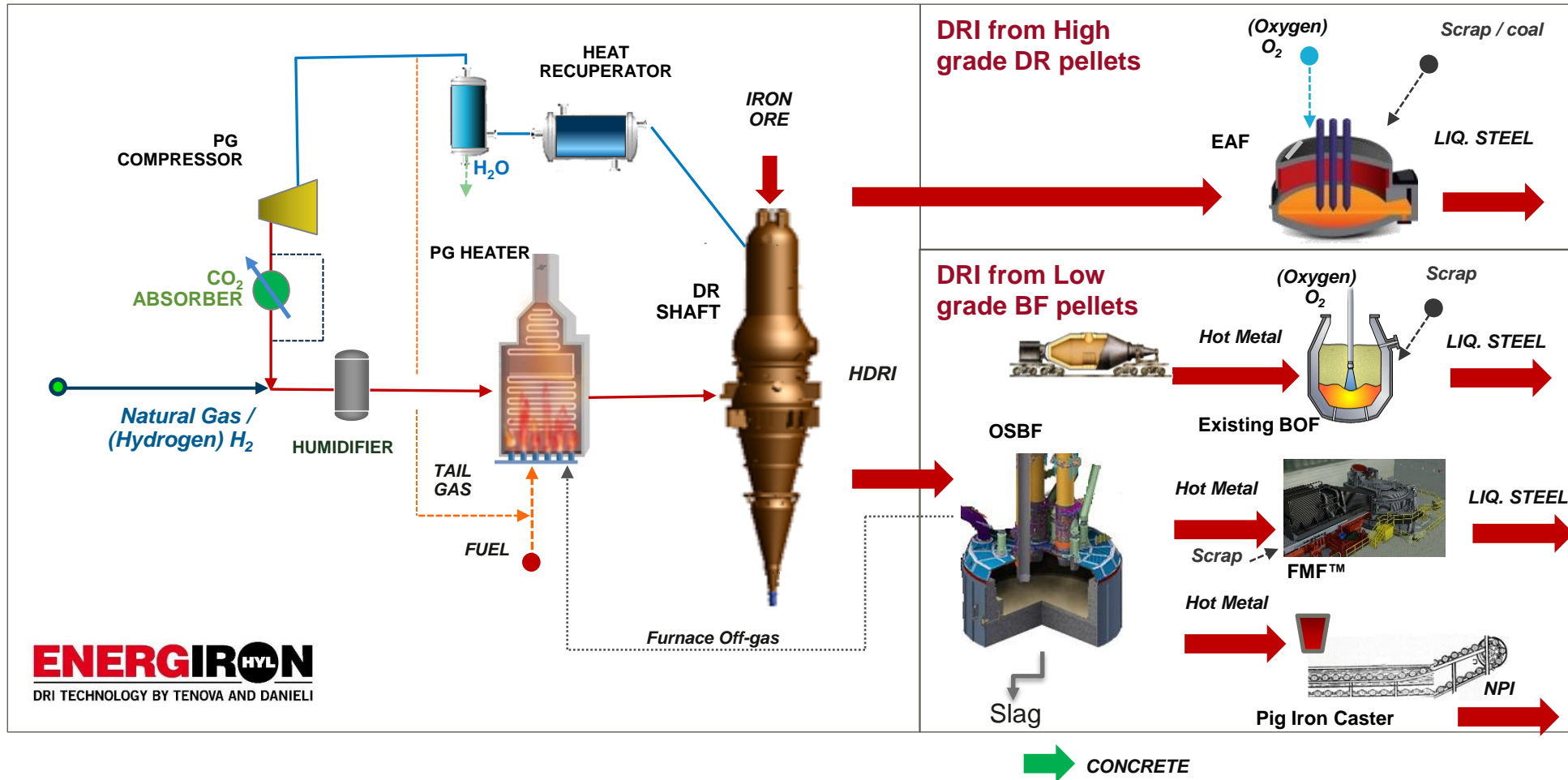
## BASIC REQUIREMENTS FOR DECARBONIZING IRONMAKING/STEELMAKING INDUSTRY

1. Steel production by DRI-EAF
2. Replacement of BF by ENERGIRON DRI-Tenova OSBF (**iBLUE**) for Hot Metal production to existing BOF-downstream facilities
3. Production of PI/NPI by DRI-Tenova OSBF (**iBLUE**)



# Routes for low-C footprint steelmaking

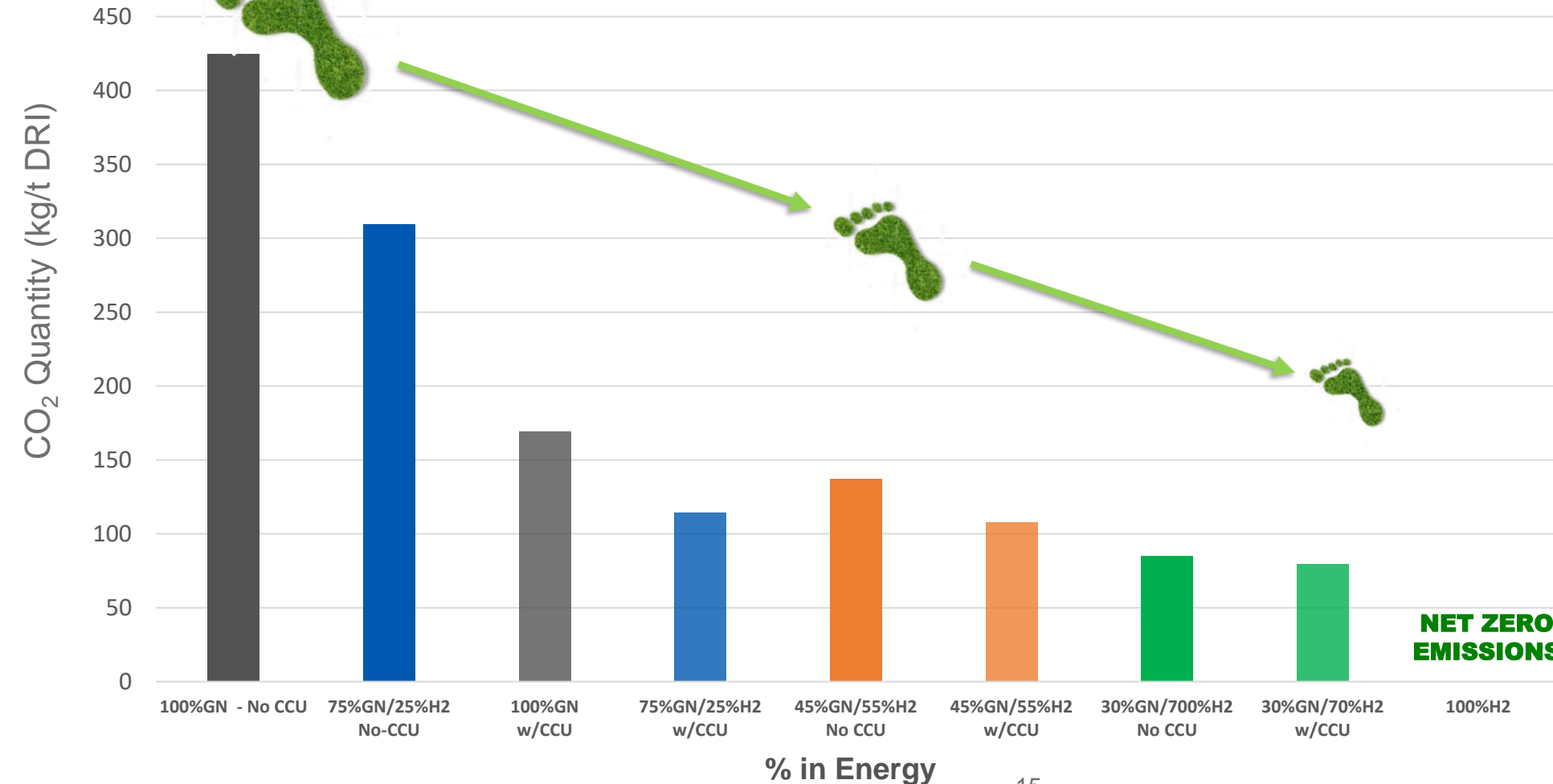
## GENERAL APPROACH



# Carbon Footprint by Using Hydrogen and CCU

## CARBON FOOTPRINT REDUCTION FROM H<sub>2</sub> TRANSITION

Impact on CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions Reduction in the ENERGIRON DRI Plant



To face the transition to carbon neutrality and to produce **GREEN DRI**, it is required to:

- i) To economically **capture and utilize the CO<sub>2</sub>** produced from the process
- ii) High usage of **Hydrogen** as reducing gas with none or minimum adaptations to the process scheme.

- 100%GN
- 75%GN / 25%H<sub>2</sub>
- 45%GN / 55%H<sub>2</sub>
- 30%GN / 70%H<sub>2</sub>



# Current DRI Projects for Decarbonization

PROJECTS WITH THE LOWEST-C EMISSIONS FOR STEELMAKING BASED ON ENERGIRON® TECHNOLOGY

In Europe...

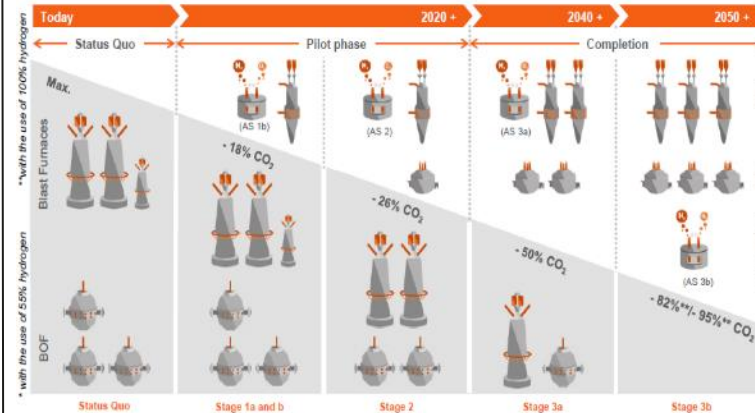


H<sub>2</sub>-based DRI Pilot Plant



SALCOS – SALZGITTER Low CO<sub>2</sub> Steelmaking

Summary: Transformation of Integrated Steelmaking to DRP/EAF Based Steelmaking in Three Stages



μDRAL Plant operating with NG/H<sub>2</sub>



H<sub>2</sub>-ready ENERGIRON DRI Plant for Ijmuiden steelworks

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...and outside Europe...



**First DRI Plant in China**  
**550,000 tpy DRI**  
**70%H<sub>2</sub> in makeup gases**



**Second DRI Plant in China**  
**1,000,000 tpy DRI**  
**Flexible to use diff. gases, including H<sub>2</sub>**



**ArcelorMittal**  
DOFASCO | HAMILTON



**2,5 Mtpy ENERGIRON DRI Plant**  
**Hydrogen-ready**

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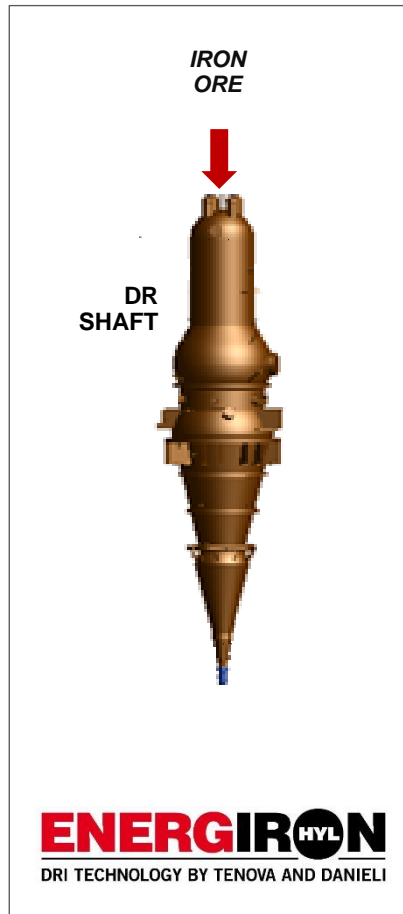
**Largest steelmaking facility  
in Latin America  
2.1 MTPY DRI  
100% NG up to 100% $H_2$  in  
makeup gases**



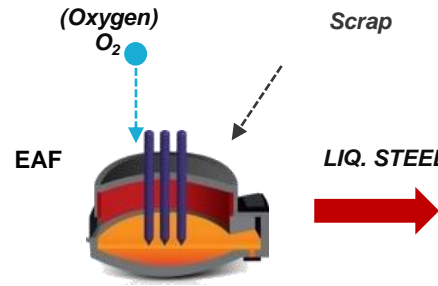
**Most recent DRP-EAF facility in  
Oman  
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# The “Classic” Solution is Always Mainstream

## CLASSIC SOLUTION TO MEET SUSTAINABILITY GOALS



DRI from High grade DR pellets

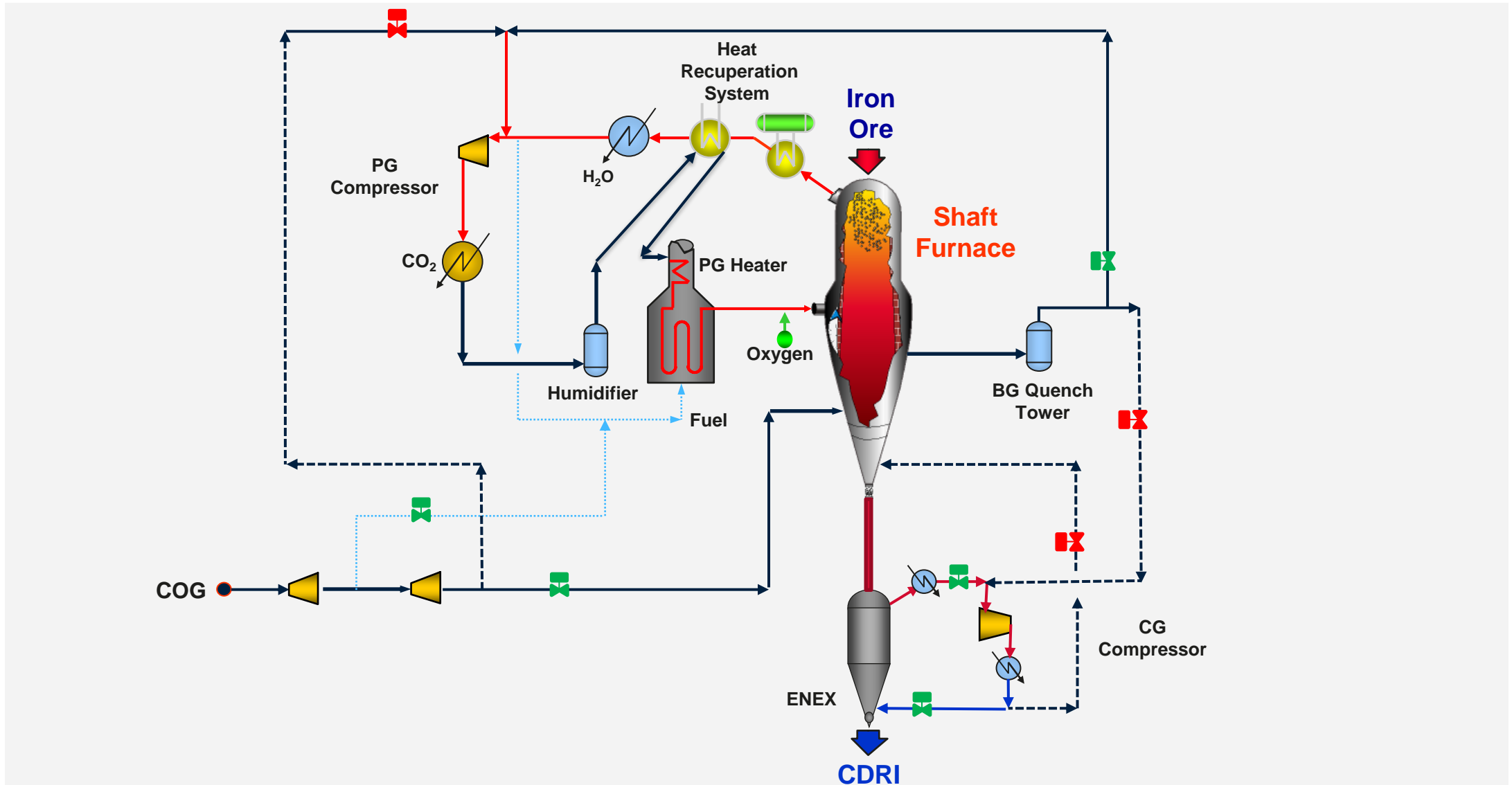


Most of the plants sold nowadays are designed based upon the “classic” concept of DRI being fed (with different percentages) in one or more EAFs.

This year in October the **HBIS project**: “Unique coke oven gas zero-reforming DRI process combined with EAF” won the **WSA award** for “Excellence in low-carbon steel production”

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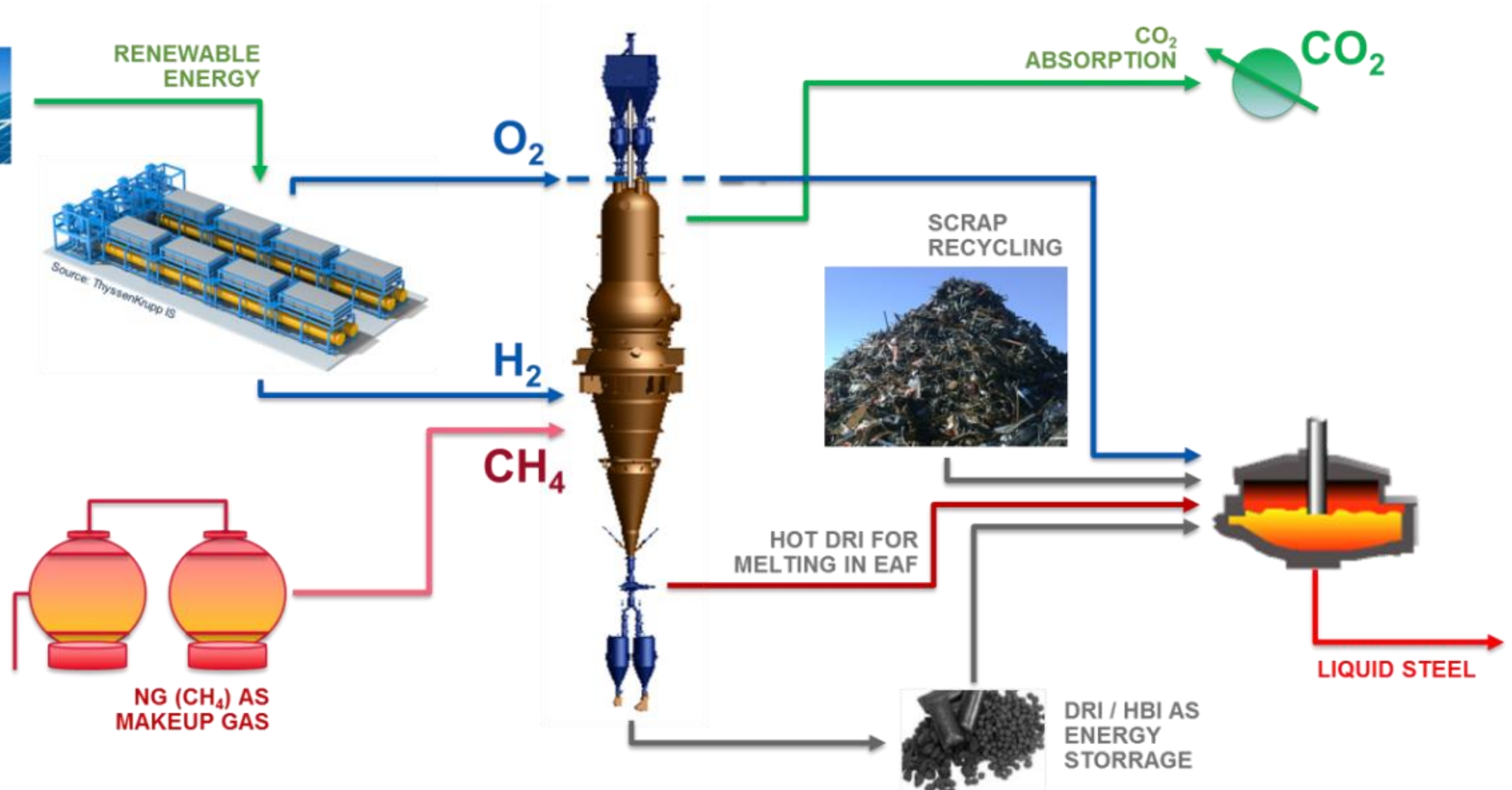


# Ironmaking via Direct Reduction

## TENOVA HYDROGEN-BASED DIRECT REDUCTION



Source: ThyssenKrupp IS



# Tenova HYL leading process for DRI

## UNIQUE FEATURES OF THE ENERGIRON TECHNOLOGY

### ENERGIRON<sup>HYL</sup>

DRI TECHNOLOGY BY TENOVA AND DANIELI

#### Removal of CO<sub>2</sub>

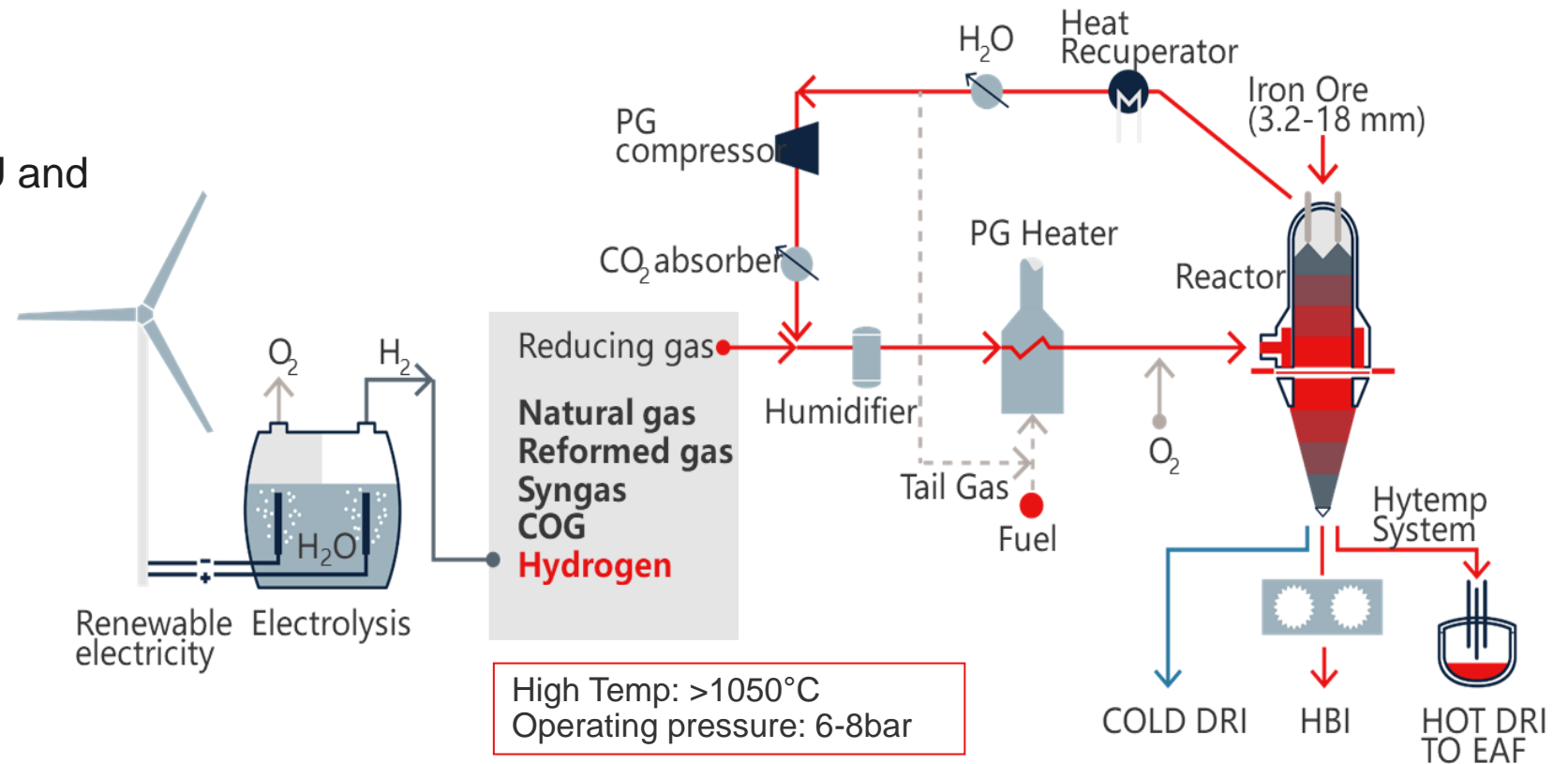
- Selective removal of CO<sub>2</sub>
- Intrinsic capability for CCU and CCS

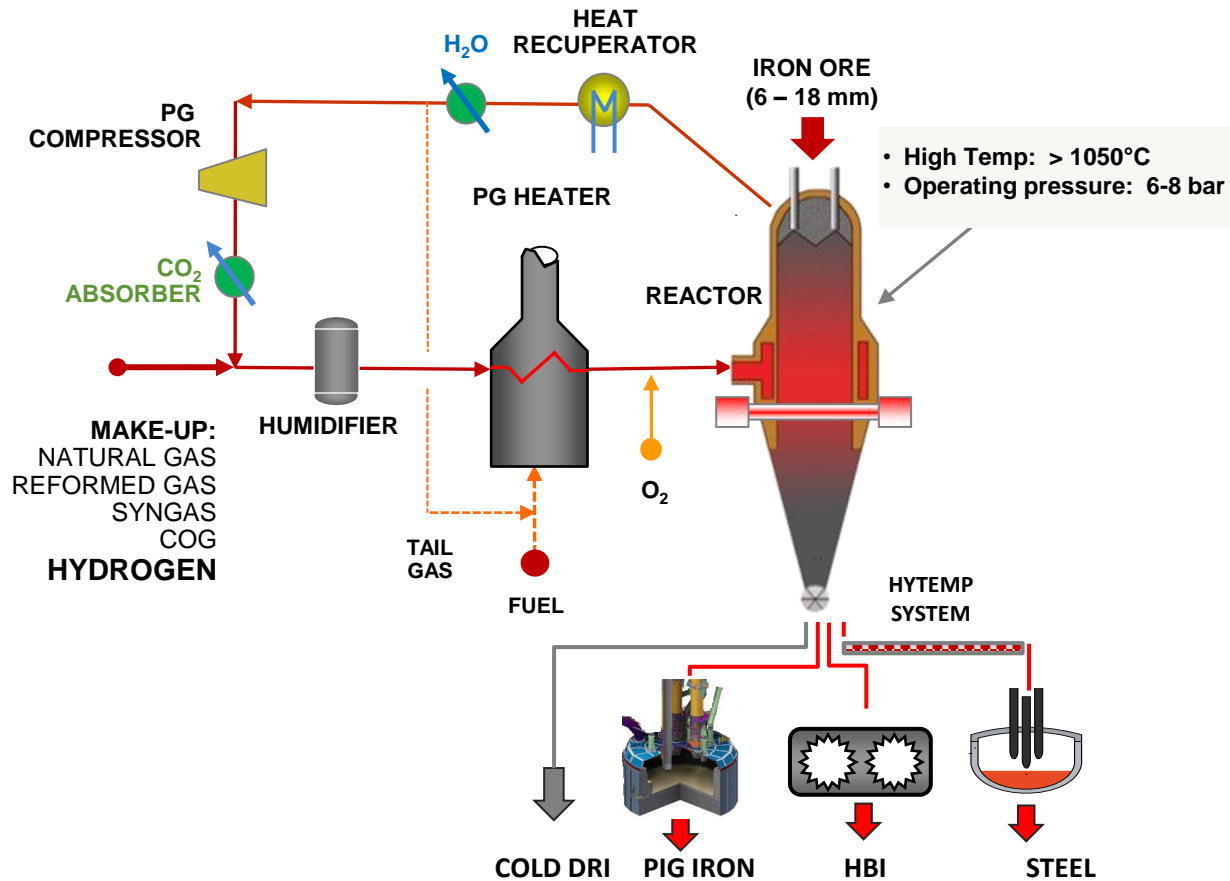
#### Flexibility

- Same process scheme for any energy source

#### DRI Quality

- 94% to 96% metallization
- 1,5% to 5,0% Carbon
- Carbon as Fe<sub>3</sub>C





## FLEXIBILITY:

- Same scheme for ANY energy source

## ENVIRONMENTAL:

- Selective removal of iron ore reduction's by-products: H<sub>2</sub>O & CO<sub>2</sub> for CCU
- Direct use of reducing gases from different sources replacing carbon/coke of BF
- lowest NOx emissions w/o additional equipment

## DRI QUALITY:

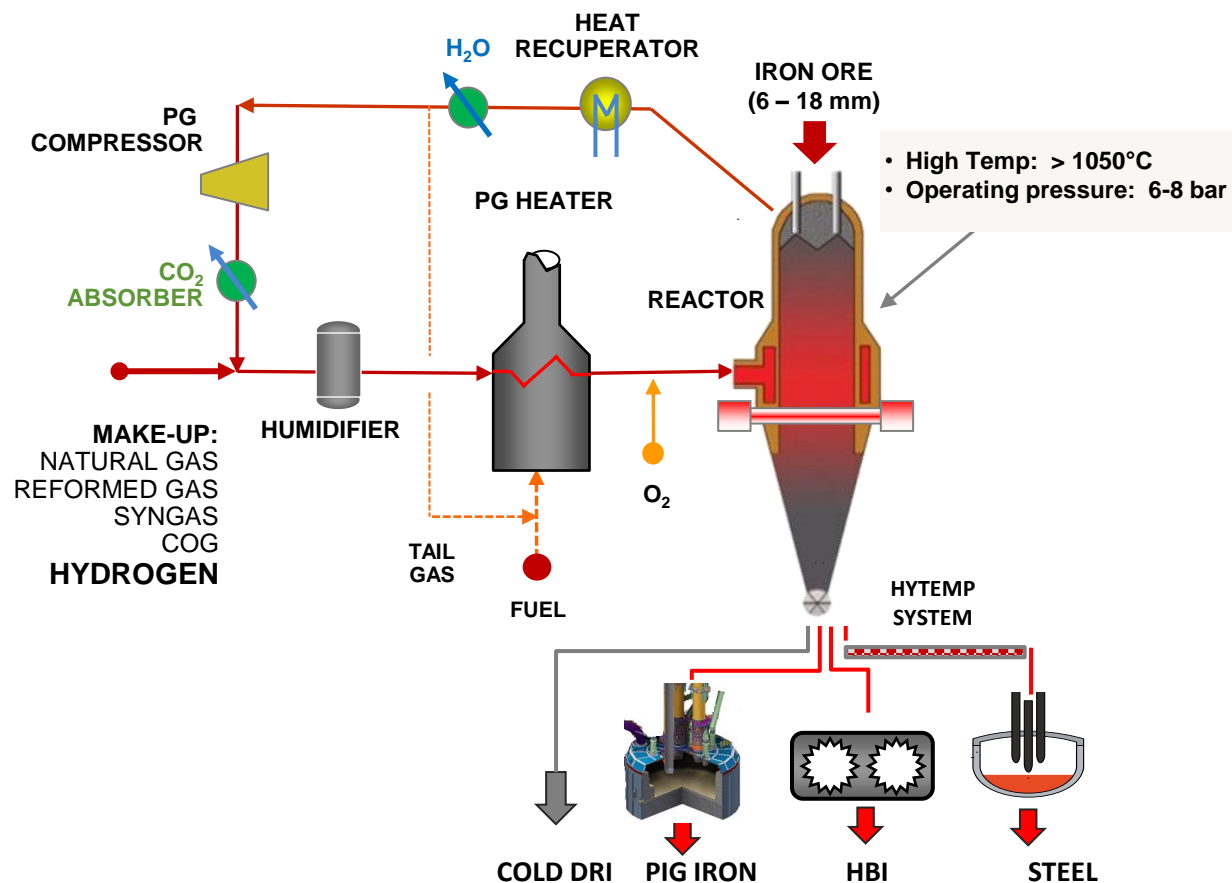
### High-C CDRI, High-C HDRI, High-C Briquettes

- ≥94% Mtz; 1,5%- 4,6% Carbon (as Fe<sub>3</sub>C)

## OPEX:

- Highest overall Energy efficiency
  - ~10,0 GJ/t; < 80 kWh/t
  - high yield: <1,4 t IO/t





## PROCESS SCHEME

Direct recycling to DR shaft through CO<sub>2</sub> removal system and heater.

No External Reformer: All processes inside the DR shaft (reforming, reduction, carburization)

Same scheme for ANY energy source

## BENEFITS

- ✓ Flexibility; Higher efficiency,
- ✓ Selective CO<sub>2</sub> absorption for CCU as by-product

*In-situ* Reforming of hydrocarbons

- ✓ No need for catalyst-based reformer;
- **Less maintenance; less OPEX; Less CAPEX**

High Reducing gas temperature: > 1050°C.

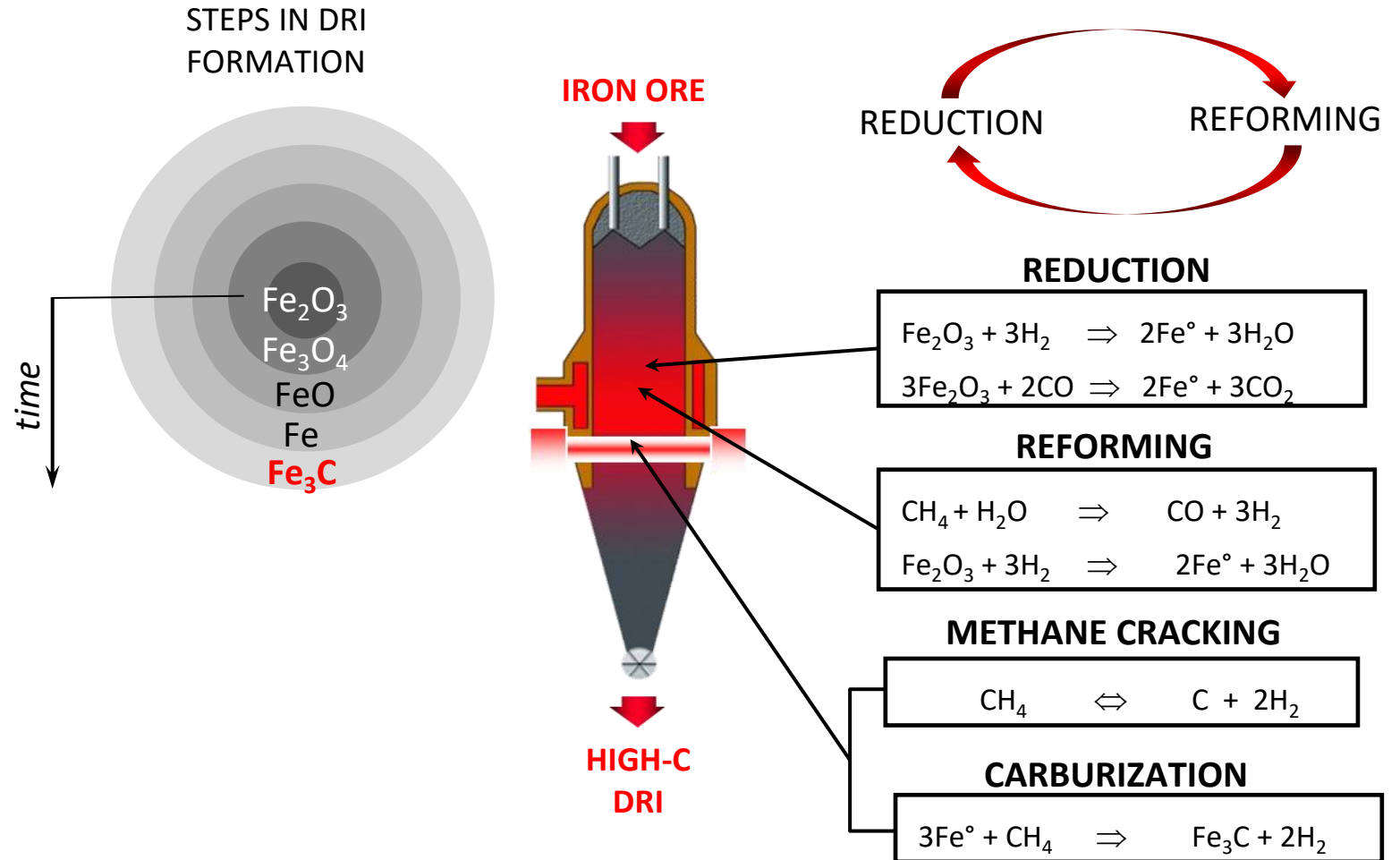
- ✓ Higher flexibility for carburization via CH<sub>4</sub> for higher Fe<sub>3</sub>C formation.

- Top gas is recycled to the shaft. Any sulphur is eliminated in the CO<sub>2</sub> removal system.
- No restriction, for processing iron ores with high sulphur content.
- *AMLC uses local, cheaper high-sulphur content iron ore pellets.*

- ✓ Higher flexibility for use of lower cost raw materials and different energy sources.

**MAIN CHARACTERISTICS:**

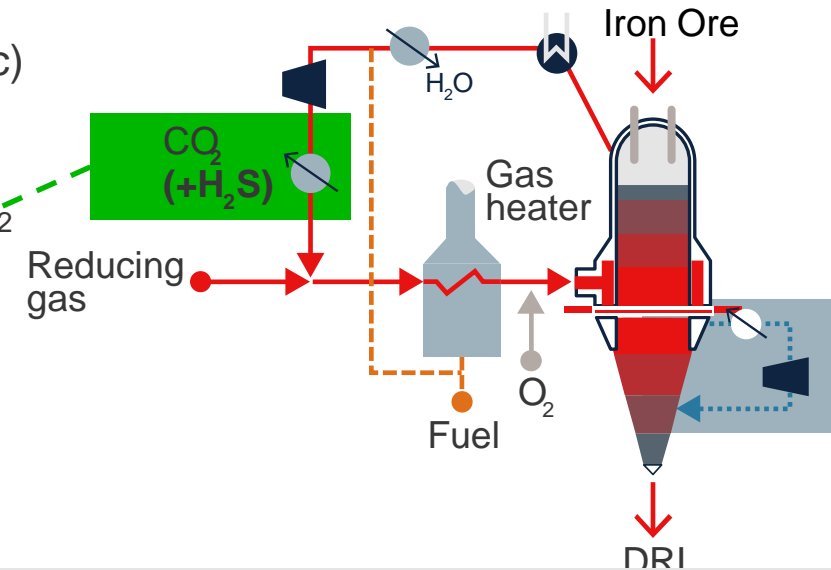
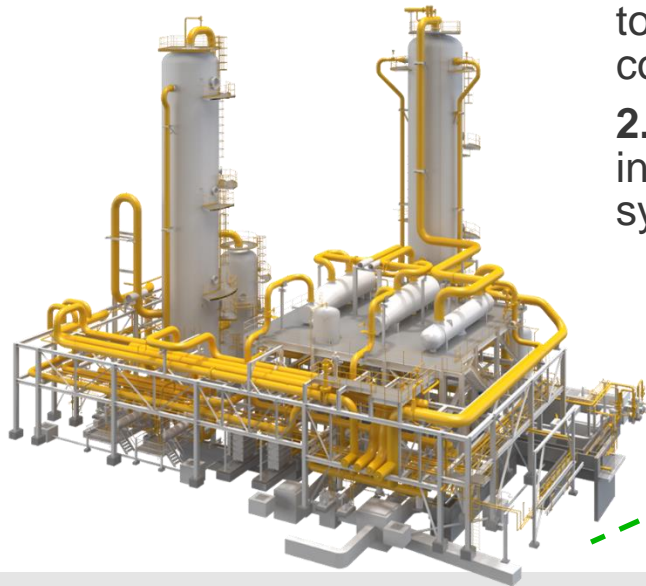
- NG Reforming, iron ore Reduction and DRI Carburization take place in the SAME Reactor.
- Catalyst is the SAME iron (Fe) in DRI being produced and always renewed.
- High temperature to comply with *in-situ* reforming & reduction (>1050°C)
- Production of UNIQUE High-C DRI.
- Most efficient DR process.



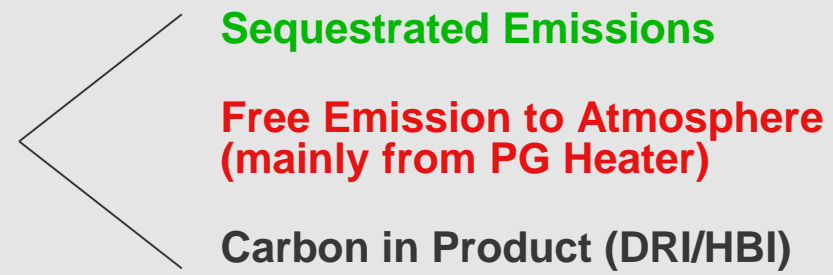
# Carbon Capture & Utilization (CCU)

## CO<sub>2</sub> ABSORPTION SYSTEM

1. In a DRP, CO<sub>2</sub> emissions are related to iron ore reduction and carbon content of the fuel used (Coal, NG, etc)
2. ENERGIRON DR process intrinsically includes a CO<sub>2</sub> absorption system for selective elimination of CO<sub>2</sub>



For **Mass Conservation Principle**, total Carbon feeding the **ENERGIRON DRP** is ultimately found as CO<sub>2</sub> at the battery limit as:



**Sequestered Emissions**

**Free Emission to Atmosphere  
(mainly from PG Heater)**

**Carbon in Product (DRI/HBI)**

# Carbon Capture & Utilization (CCU)

## CO<sub>2</sub> ABSORPTION SYSTEM

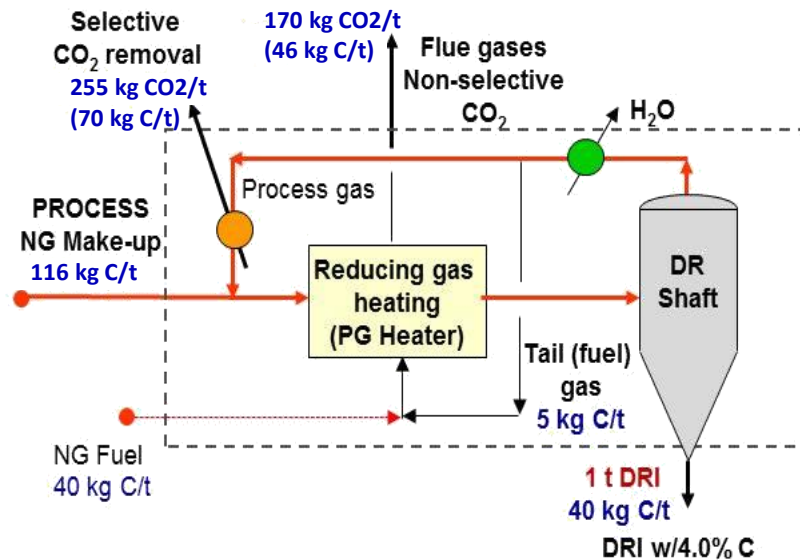
### In ENERGIION ZR:

From total Carbon input:

- ~ 45% of total carbon (as CO<sub>2</sub>) is selectively removed.
- ~30% through flue gases and
- ~ 25% as C in the DRI



Selective CO <sub>2</sub>	255 kg/t	60%
Non-Selective CO <sub>2</sub>	170 kg/t	40%
Total CO <sub>2</sub>	425 kg/t	



Carbon balance for Nucor Plant

### Selective CO<sub>2</sub>: What to do with it?:

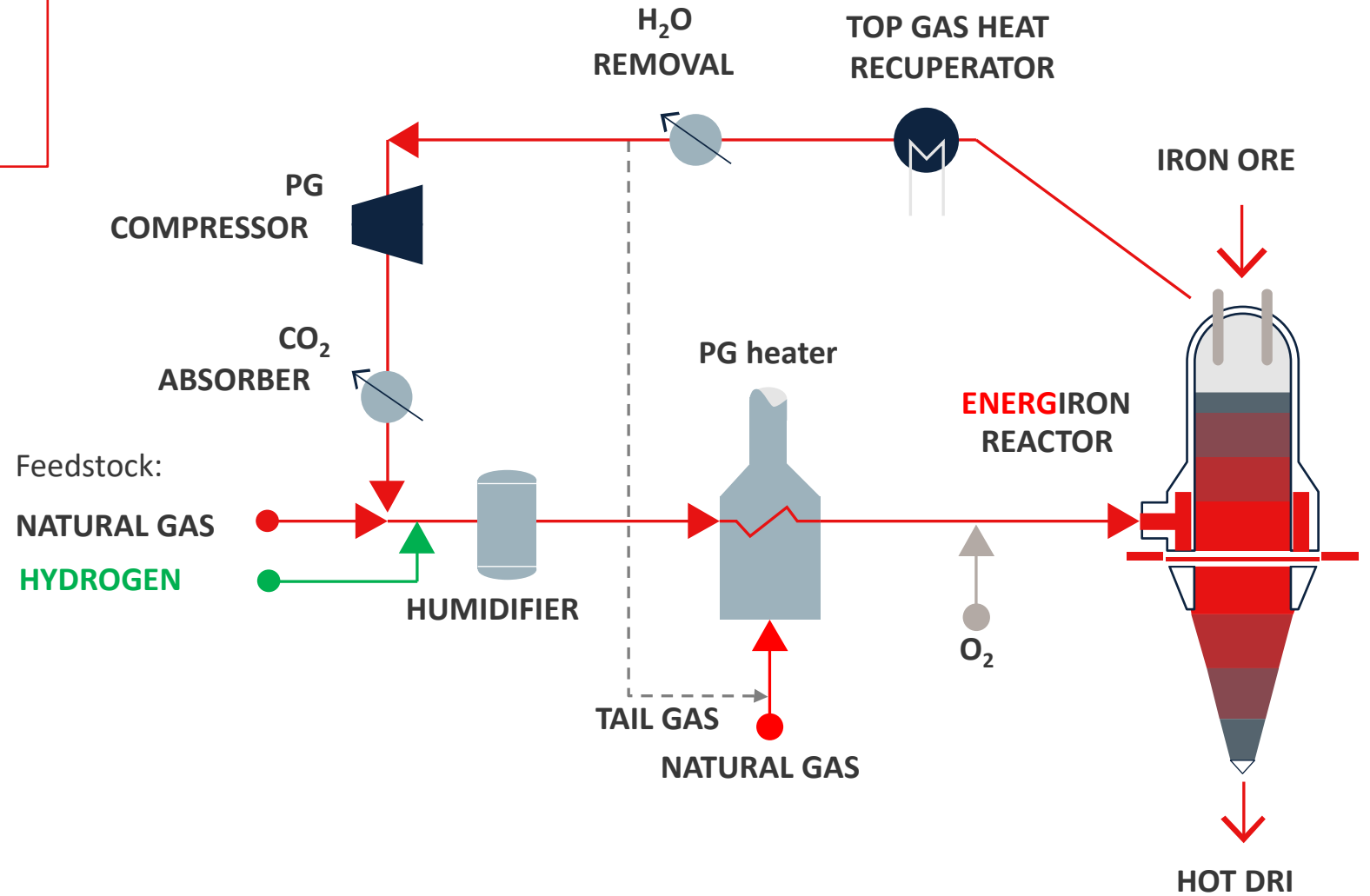
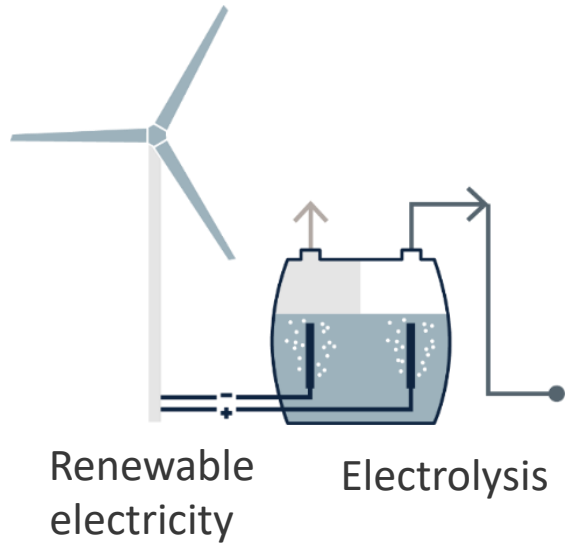
Since 1998, CO<sub>2</sub> gas, from the CO<sub>2</sub> absorption system of ENERGIION plants has been used as byproducts by different off-takers

HyL/ENERGIION DR Plant	Off-taking company	Use
Ternium; Monterrey, Mexico	Praxair	Food and beverages industries
Ternium; Puebla, Mexico	Infra	Beverages industries
PTKS; Indonesia	Janator	Food industry
PSSB; Malaysia	Air Liquid/MOQ	Food industry
JSW Salav; India	Air Liquid	Dry Ice
Emirates Steel; UAE <sup>(1)</sup>	Masdar/ADNOC	Enhanced Oil Recovery (EOR)

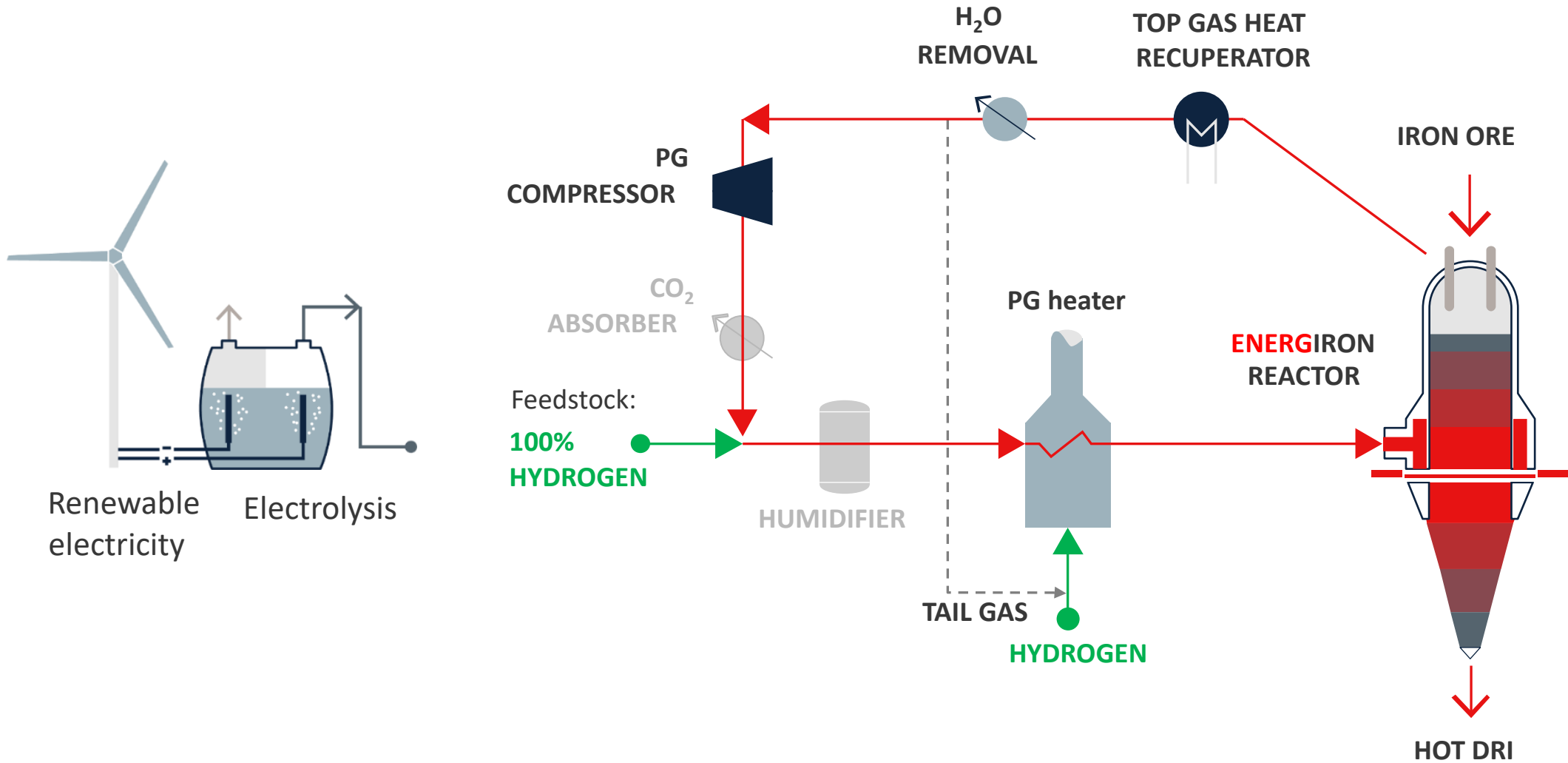


> Hydrogen based Direct  
Reduction

New technologies are being developed to produce **H<sub>2</sub>** from renewable energy sources



# FROM CARBON CAPTURE AND USE (CCU) TO CARBON DIRECT AVOIDANCE (CDA)

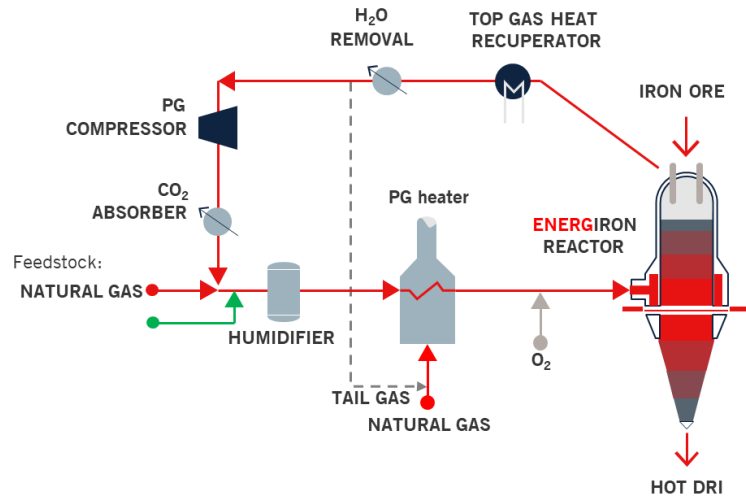


SAME SCHEME FOR PRESENT, NEAR AND FAR FUTURE

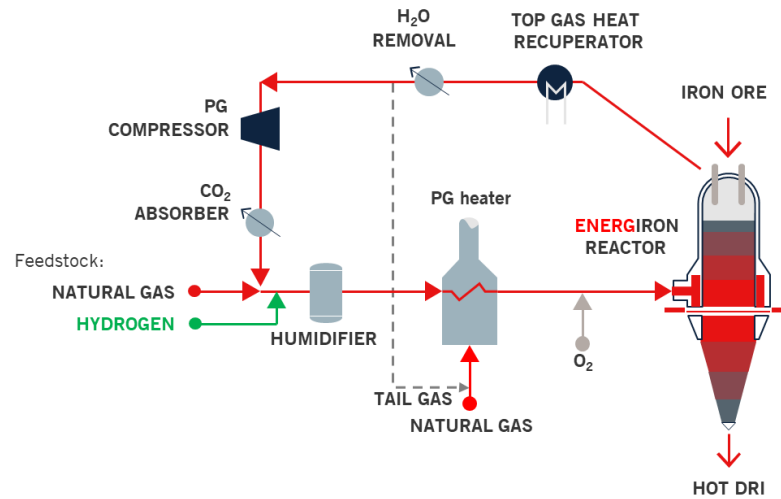
NOW

BY 2030

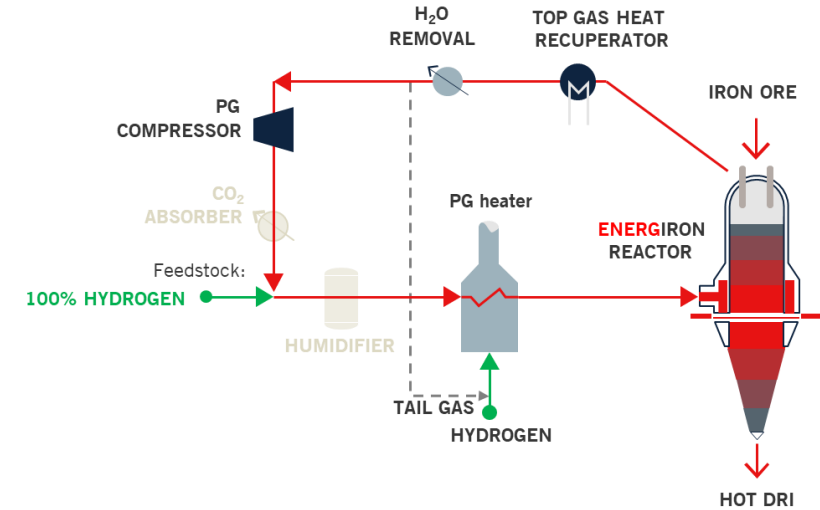
BY 2050



100% Natural Gas



any % Natural Gas  
any % Hydrogen



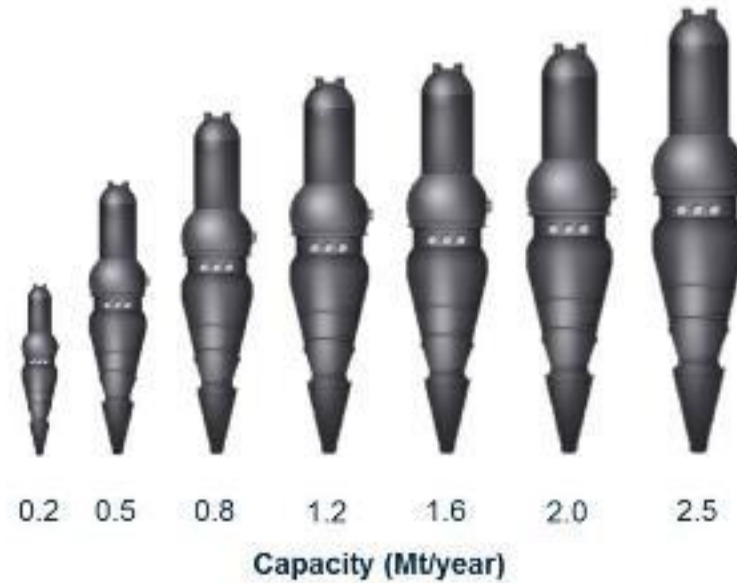
100% Hydrogen



## ES3 Micromodule



**0,20 MTPY CDRI**  
Carbon 3.0% - 4%  
Metallization 94%



## Nucor/OMK



**2,5 MTPY**  
Carbon 3.0% - 4.5%  
Metallization 95% - 96.5%



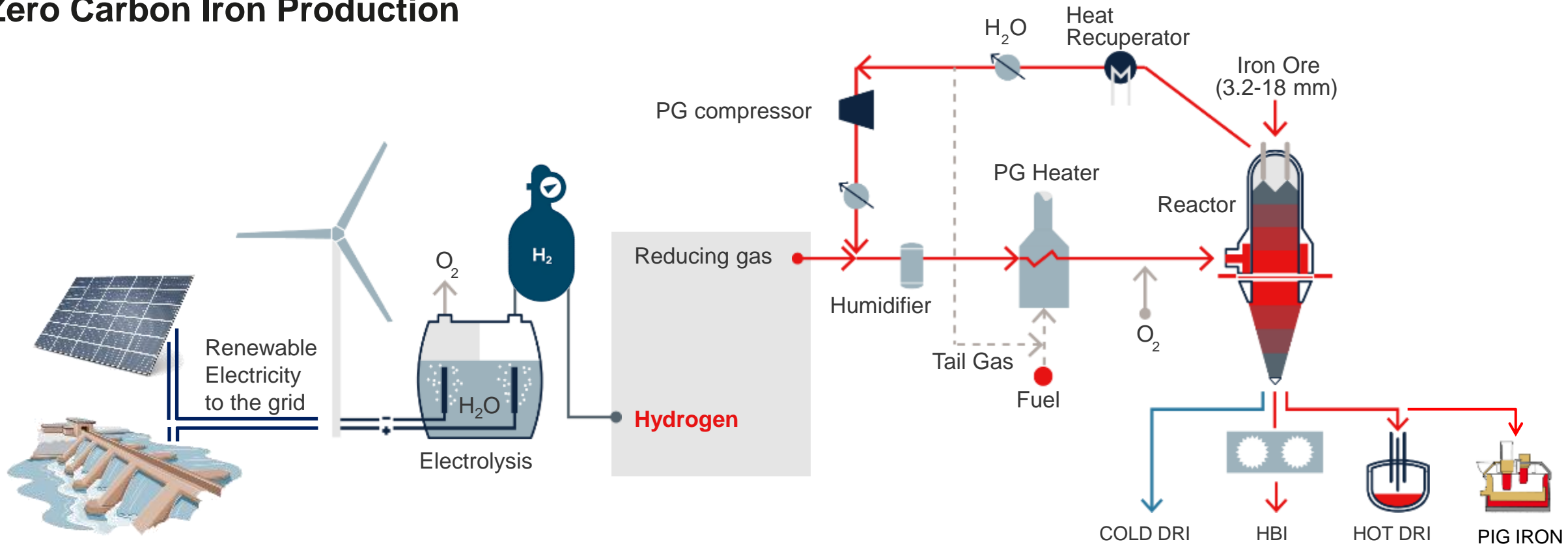
2.5 – 5  
million tpa  
Blast  
Furnace

PROVEN EXPERIENCE FROM THE **SMALLEST** TO THE **LARGEST**  
DR MODULES WORLDWIDE

# From CCU to Carbon Direct Avoidance (CDA)

HYDROGEN AS ENABLER FOR GREENER STEELMAKING

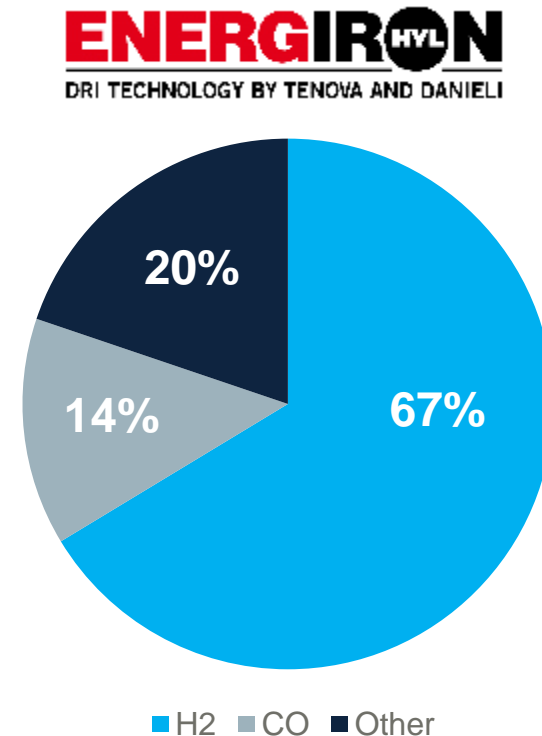
## Zero Carbon Iron Production



# Experience with Hydrogen use

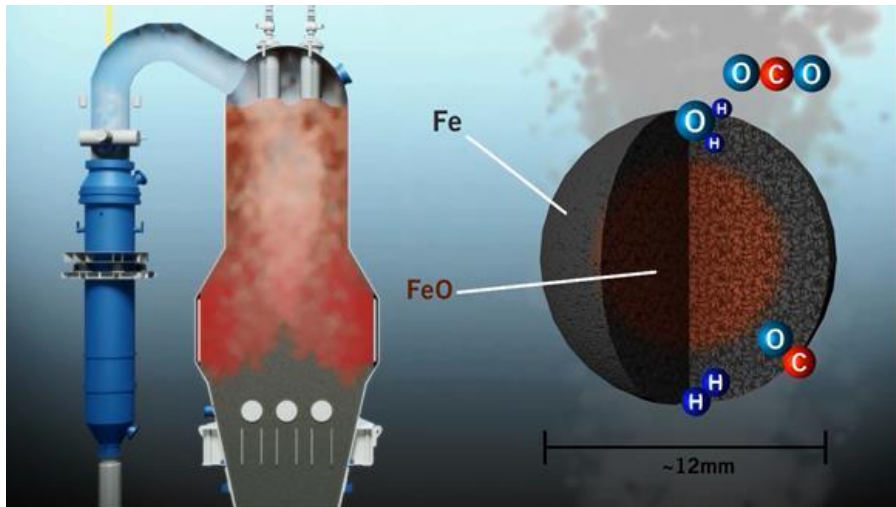
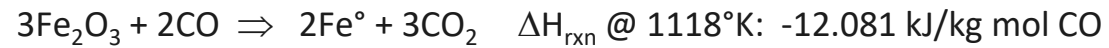
## ENERGIRON IS READY FOR INDUSTRIAL APPLICATION

- ✓ Experience in ENERGIRON plants with reformer using in **excess of 70% H<sub>2</sub>**
- ✓ Scheme natively fitted for direct use of H<sub>2</sub>
- ✓ Completion of pilot plant tests with **~90% H<sub>2</sub> since 1990's**
- ✓ Extensive experience and operation with Process Gas heaters and gas sealing valves design, specifically with high percentages of H<sub>2</sub>

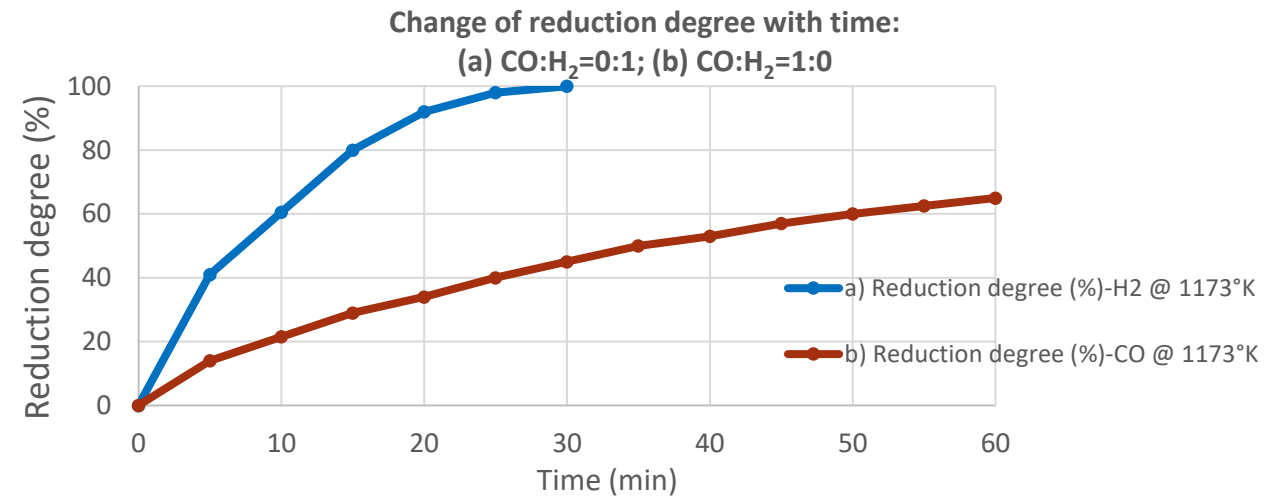


# Use of Hydrogen in Direct Reduction processes

## DIRECT REDUCTION FUNDAMENTALS

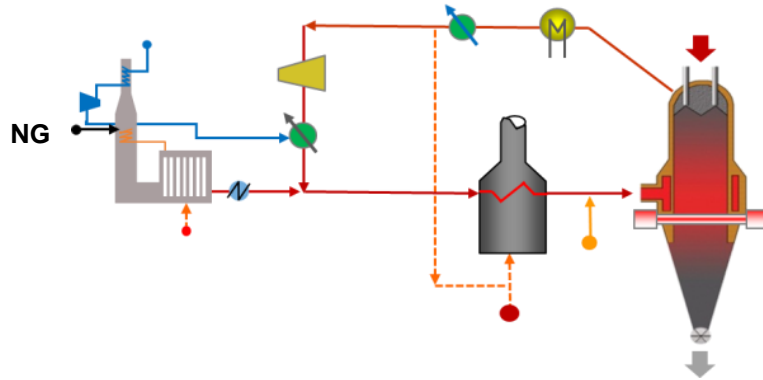


Reduction with H <sub>2</sub>	Reduction with CO
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Highly Endothermic: favored by high Temp and higher % of H<sub>2</sub></li> <li>Easier / Faster than CO</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Highly Exothermic: favored by low Temp and lower % of CO</li> <li>Harder / Longer than H<sub>2</sub></li> </ul>



Kinetically, iron ore reduction with H<sub>2</sub> is >4 times faster as compared to CO which requires higher reducing gas temperature.

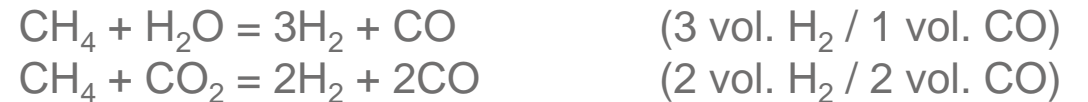
## LONG LASTING EXPERIENCE WITH H<sub>2</sub> USE



### ENERGIRON/HYL Plants with high %H<sub>2</sub> PG Heaters

DR Plant w/Reformer	%H <sub>2</sub>	H <sub>2</sub> /CO
Ternium 3M5 (to ZR in 2003) (*)	72	5
Arcelor Mittal LC	60	3
Perwaja Steel (*)	76	6
PT Krakatau Steel (*)	75	6
JSW (*)	70	4
Hadeed (*)	70	4
Lebedinsky (*)	70	4
Emirates Steel 1 & 2 (*)	60	4
EZZ (*)	66	5

- For any reformer, H<sub>2</sub> is produced in different concentration, depending on the oxidants ratio being used; i.e.

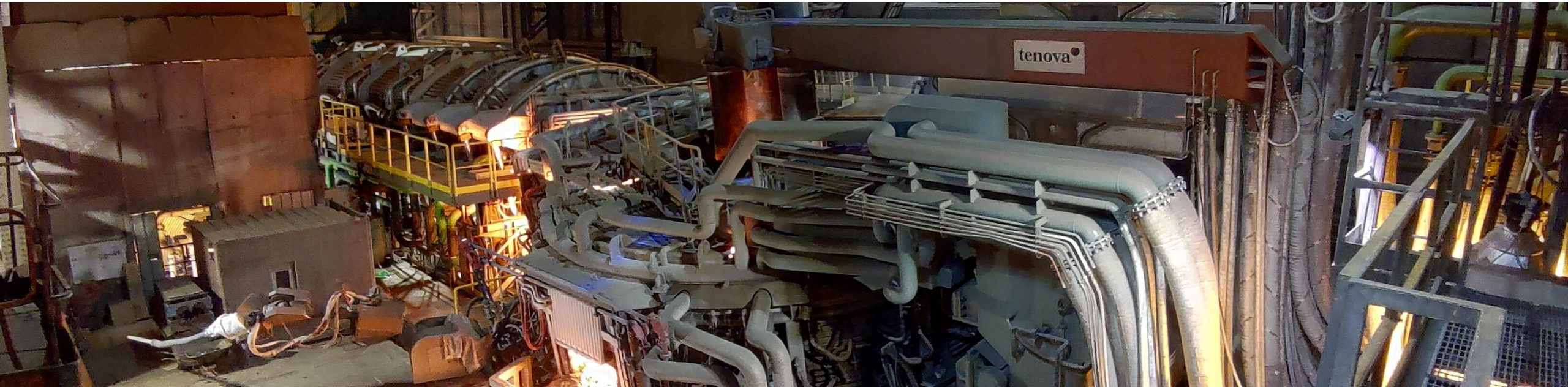


- Since the 1950's, the HYL/ENERGIRON technology using Reformed gas as source of reducing gas, includes a conventional steam/NG reformer. Typical operation characteristics are:

Parameter related to H <sub>2</sub>	ENERGIRON	Other DR technology
H <sub>2</sub> O/C ratio in Reformer	2.0 – 2.5	1.5
H <sub>2</sub> /CO ratio in reducing gas	4 - 5	1.7
%H <sub>2</sub> to reactor (% vol.)	~70%	~55%

- The above reflects the long-lasting industrial experience with intensive use of H<sub>2</sub> for DRI production.
- Long and lasting proven industrial experience since 1980 with design of PG Heaters (alloys selection, temperature profiles, ΔP, etc.).

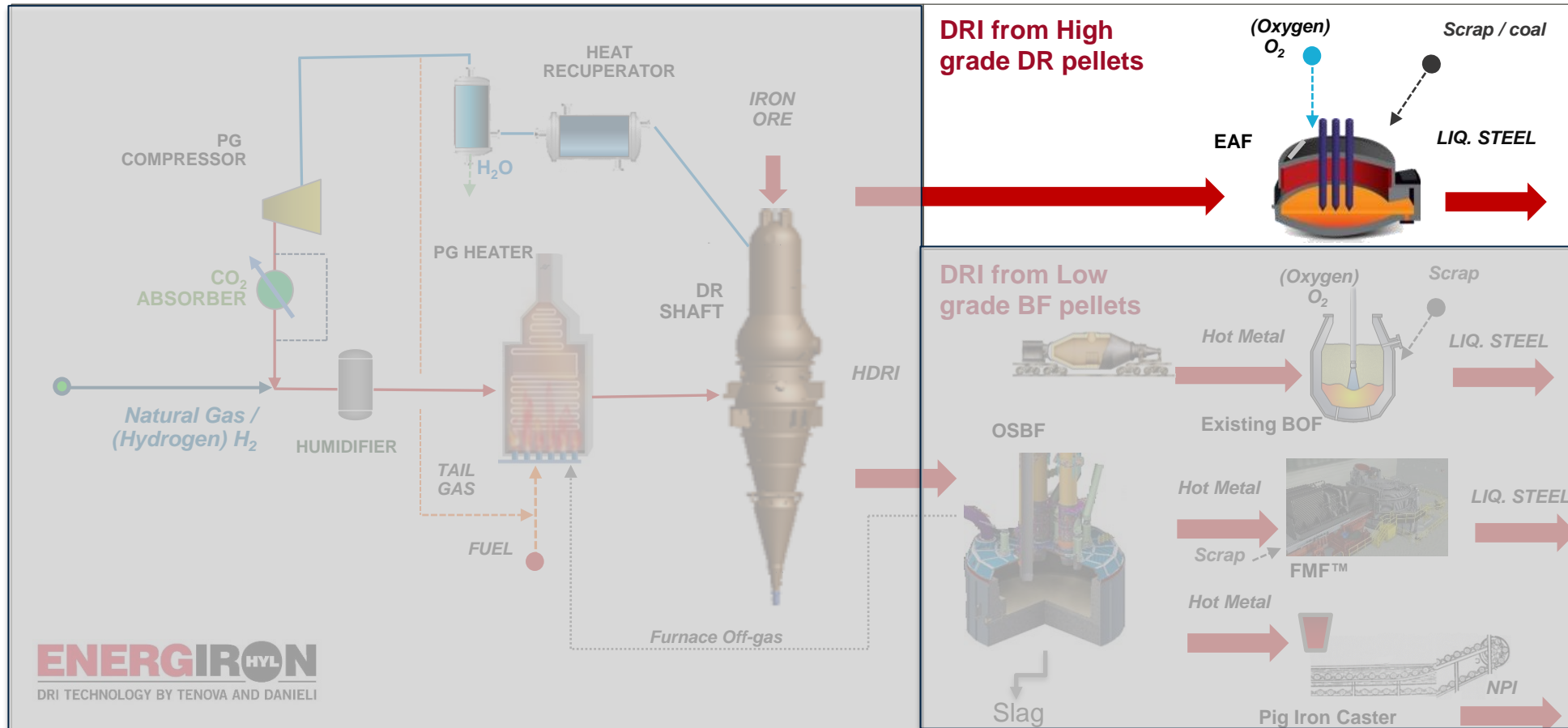
# FROM DRI TO GREEN STEEL



## MELTING HIGH GRADE DRI PELLETS

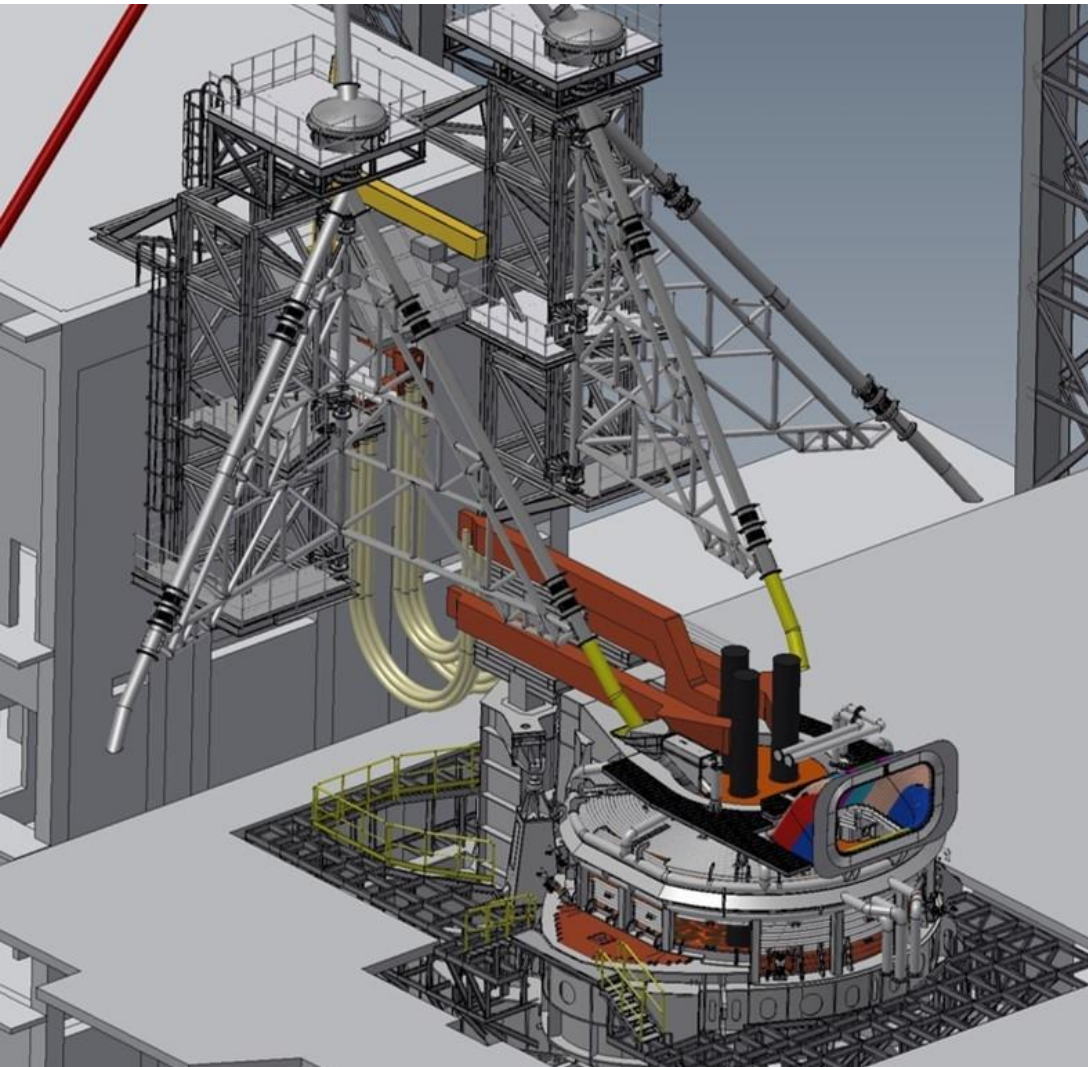
# Routes for low-C footprint steelmaking

## GENERAL APPROACH



# Key features

EAF



## ***Operating Environment***

- Oxidizing environment, so possible to remove trace elements, and tap liquid steel
- Batch process

## ***Feed material requirements***

- Due to oxidizing environment, DR grade DRI needed, to maximise yield (minimize slag FeO content)
- Can accept large quantities of scrap, without major constraints on scrap size

## ***Electrodes***

- Graphite electrodes

## ***Final Products***

- *Liquid steel*
- Slag is a waste product (not possible to sell to cement industry)

## ***Gas cleaning***

- Burnt gas (ie high CO<sub>2</sub> content, due to oxidizing environment, and combustion of CO in free board)

## ***Maintenance life-cycle***

- Fortnightly maintenance on shell refractory

## ***Electrical system***

- High flicker (inherent part of process), STATCOM is needed



# A reference case: Tosyali Algerie (startup: 2018)



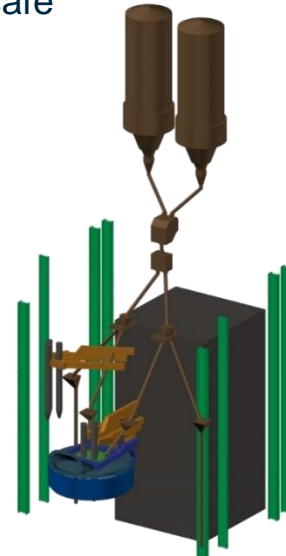
## 100% DRI, 2'300'000TLS PER YEAR

The furnace of Tosyali, that began operating in 2018, is the largest AND **most productive** furnace in the world operating with DRI .

Due to the very high DRI charging rate (>8t/min), the pellets are charged in two separate points between phases 1-2 and between phases 2-3 to minimize the entrainment of fines in the off-gases.

The furnace is based on the latest TENOVA design, allowing to swing independently the superstructure and the roof to allow quick and safe handling of the roof delta in less than 30 min.

- **Plant Location:** Bethioua, Oran region, Algeria
- **Type:** full-platformr AC furnace with EBT, shell diameter 8900mm
- **Tap size:** design 240t, 100t hot heel
- **Power ON:** 32,5' with 70%HDRI, 30%CDRI (as of Feb.2020)
- **Yearly productivity:** about 2,2Mt (2020 projection)
- **DRI feeding rate:** up to 10t per minute, in two charging points
- **Transformer rating:** 240MVA
- **Injection system:** TENOVA, up to 17'000Nm<sup>3</sup>/h of oxygen

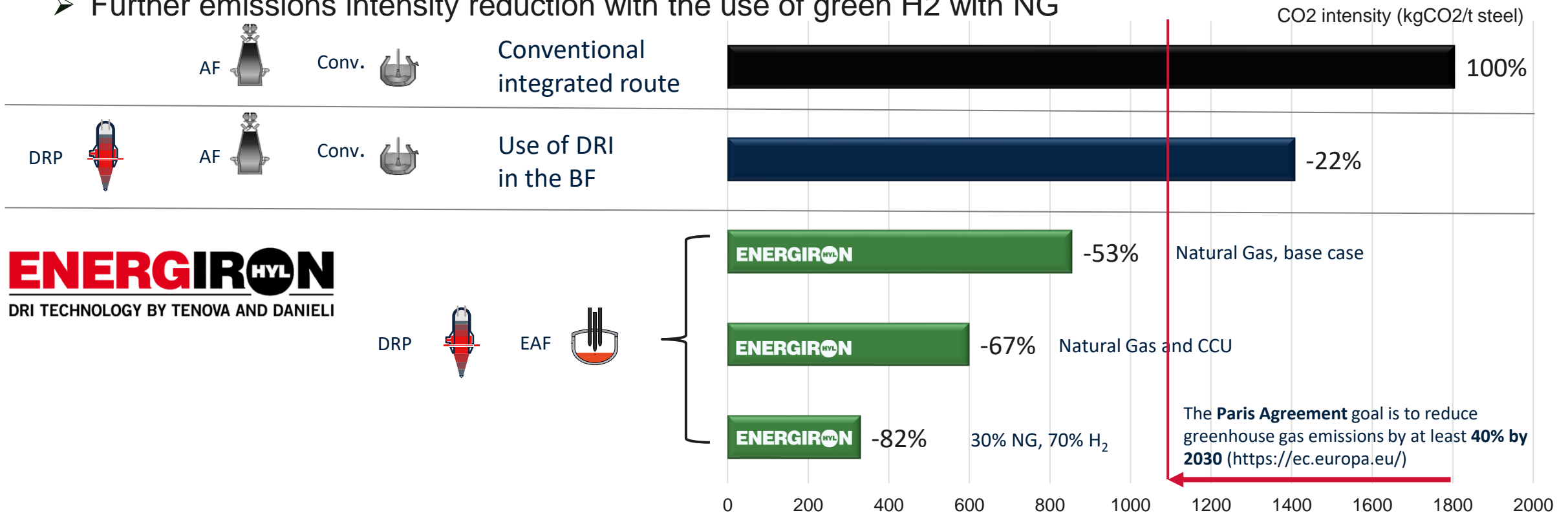


**Between 2001 and 2020 TENOVA installed 28 EAFs operating with hot and cold DRI worldwide, and TECHINT group produces DRI since the '50s.**

# ENERGIRON: the greenest ironmaking route

THE PATH TO CLIMATE NEUTRAL STEEL PRODUCTION - STEEL SUCCESS STRATEGIES 2020

- ENERGIRON DR-EAF route is ~50% less carbon intensive than the BF integrated process, ~60% less with CCU
- Further emissions intensity reduction with the use of green H2 with NG



**ENERGIRON**  
DRI TECHNOLOGY BY TENOVA AND DANIELI

# BF-grade pellets in DRI-EAF route

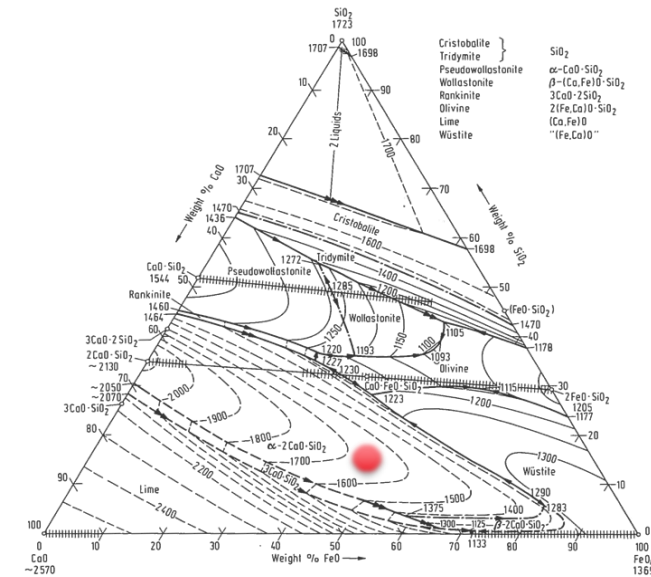
## EFFECTS OF GANGUE ON YIELD AND ENERGY CONSUMPTION

Considering production of low Carbon steel (0,03%C) from BF-grade pellets:

- Amount of fluxes required 100kg/tls, total slag generated 344 kg/tls with > 40% FeO
- Loss of iron in slag: about **122kg** per ton of liquid steel produced (FeO+iron droplets suspended in slag), yield 77%
- Energy for slag production: 689kWh/t

GREEN PELLET			DRI		SLAG	
Fe <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	93.09%	min	Fe total	87.43%	FeO	42.01%
Fe <sub>3</sub> O <sub>4</sub>	0.00%	min	Fe metallic	82.18%	MnO	1.03%
FeO	0.10%	max	FeO	6.75%	CaO	22.31%
MnO	0.22%	max	Mn	0.23%	MgO	11.28%
SiO <sub>2</sub>	1.93%	max	SiO <sub>2</sub>	2.59%	Cr <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	0.01%
Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	1.76%	max	Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	2.36%	Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	8.82%
S	0.012%	max	S	0.016%	SiO <sub>2</sub>	9.73%
P	0.010%	max	P	0.013%	TiO <sub>2</sub>	2.68%
Cu	0.00%	max	Cu	0.00%	P <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	0.13%
TiO <sub>2</sub>	0.55%	max	TiO <sub>2</sub>	0.74%	Other	2.00%
CaO	1.72%		CaO	2.31%	Total slag amount	344,6 kg/tls
MgO	0.39%		MgO	0.52%		
C	0.00%		Na <sub>2</sub> O	0.10%		
Na <sub>2</sub> O	0.08%		V <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	0.09%		
V <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	0.07%		K <sub>2</sub> O	0.10%		
K <sub>2</sub> O	0.08%		C	2.00%		
Moisture	0.00%		Metallization	94.00%		

LIQUID STEEL	
Yield	77.03%
C	0.035%
Mn	0.009%
P	0.004%
Cr	0.001%
O	1242 ppm
Temperature	1640 °C



- Effective removal of Phosphorus in EAF requires  $IB_2$  ( $CaO/SiO_2$ ) > 2
- 0,03%C in liquid steel at end of refining implies FeO in slag > 40%
- Slag formers require twice as much energy as Iron to melt

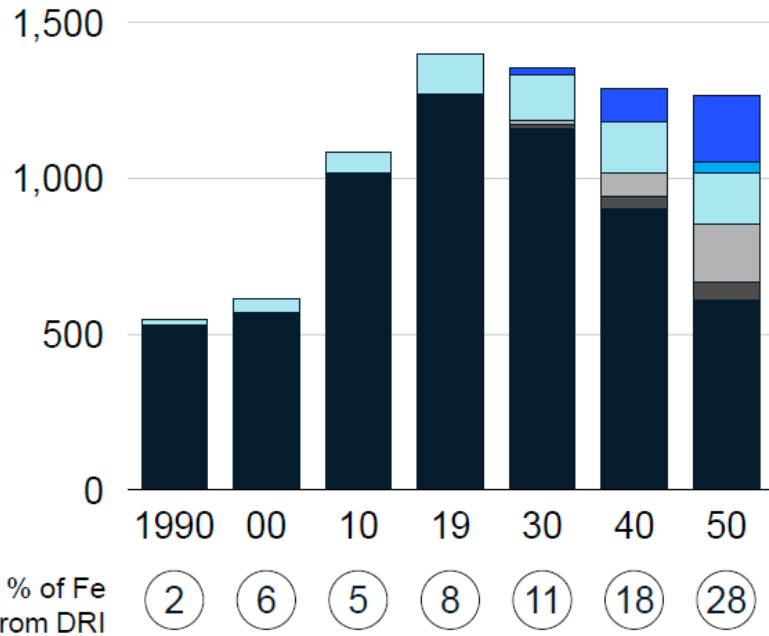


# The IEA states that a CO<sub>2</sub>-neutral industry needs 170 Mt of DRI in 2030, rising to 410 Mt by 2050

DRI production under IEA Sustainable Development Scenario

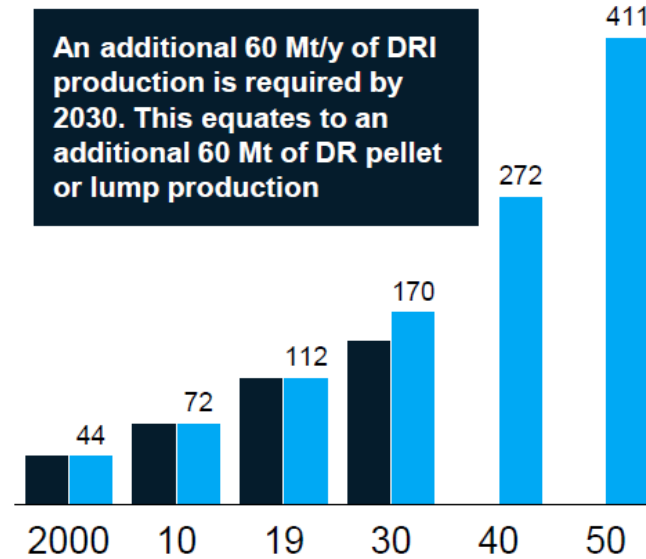
## Iron production under IEA SDS<sup>1</sup>

Million Tonnes Fe by production method



## DRI Production

Million Tonnes

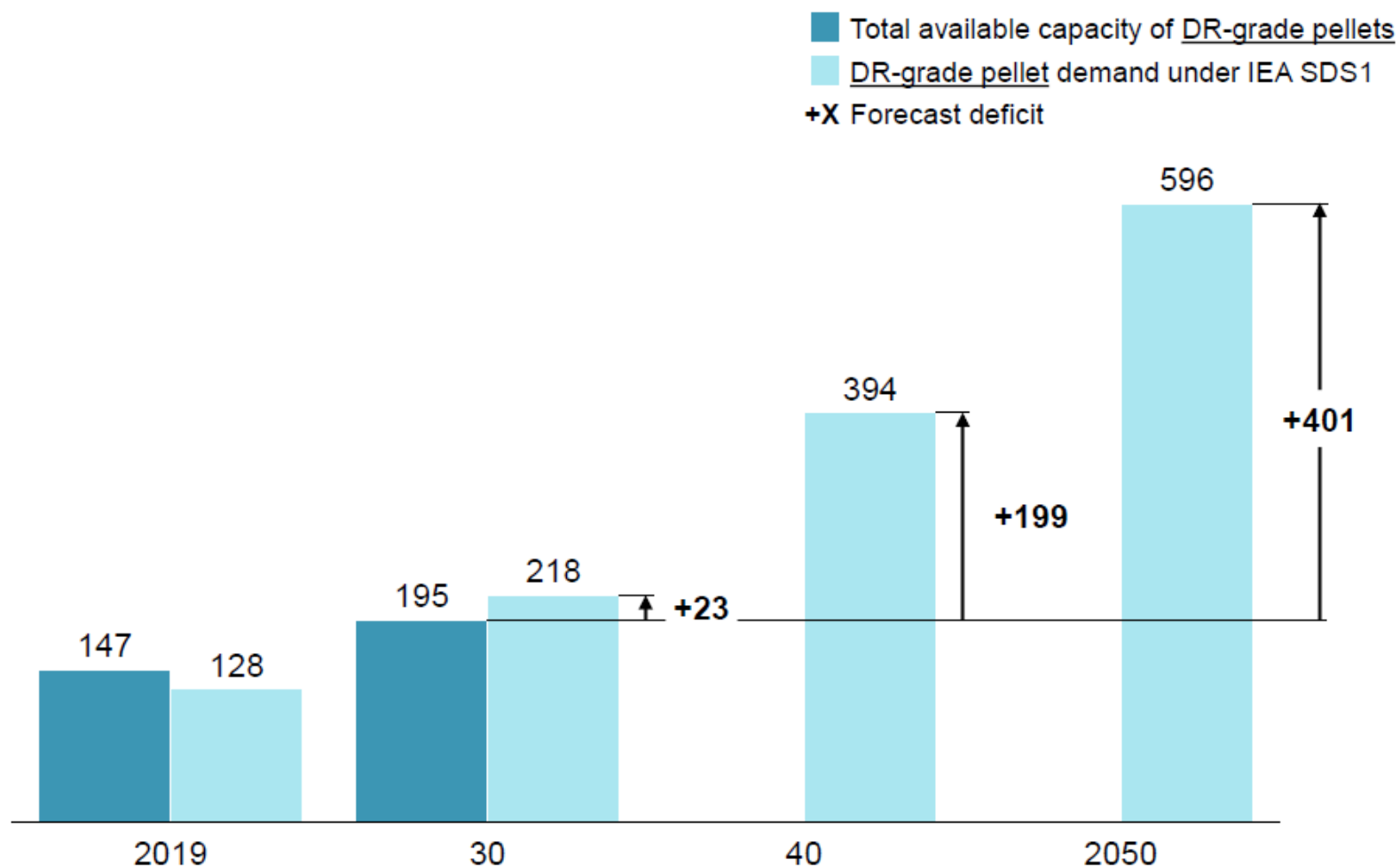


- The IEA Sustainable Development Scenario envisages a reduction in emissions in line with the Paris agreement, reaching a global “net-zero” CO<sub>2</sub> emission position by 2070
- This provides an explicit forecast of DRI production that we can compare to the relatively more conservative base case
- The IEA SDS is more aggressive in 2030, requiring 170 Mt of DRI production, as opposed to 145 Mt in the base case, an increase of 18%

1. International Energy Agency Sustainable Development Scenario - carbon neutral by 2070  
 2. Carbon capture usage and storage

# The IEA scenario shows that the DR pellet market will fall into deficit in the next decade

Supply & demand balance of direct reduction grade pellets



## Looming deficit

- The DRI market currently has access to sufficient raw materials
- However, before 2030 a deficit will emerge between the DRI production needed to keep the steel industry on a pathway to decarbonization
- Then, from 2030 to 2050, an additional 378 Mt of DR pellets (or other raw material) need to be brought online, trebling the size of this industry in 20 years

1. Based upon IEA SDS – International Energy Agency Sustainable Development Scenario

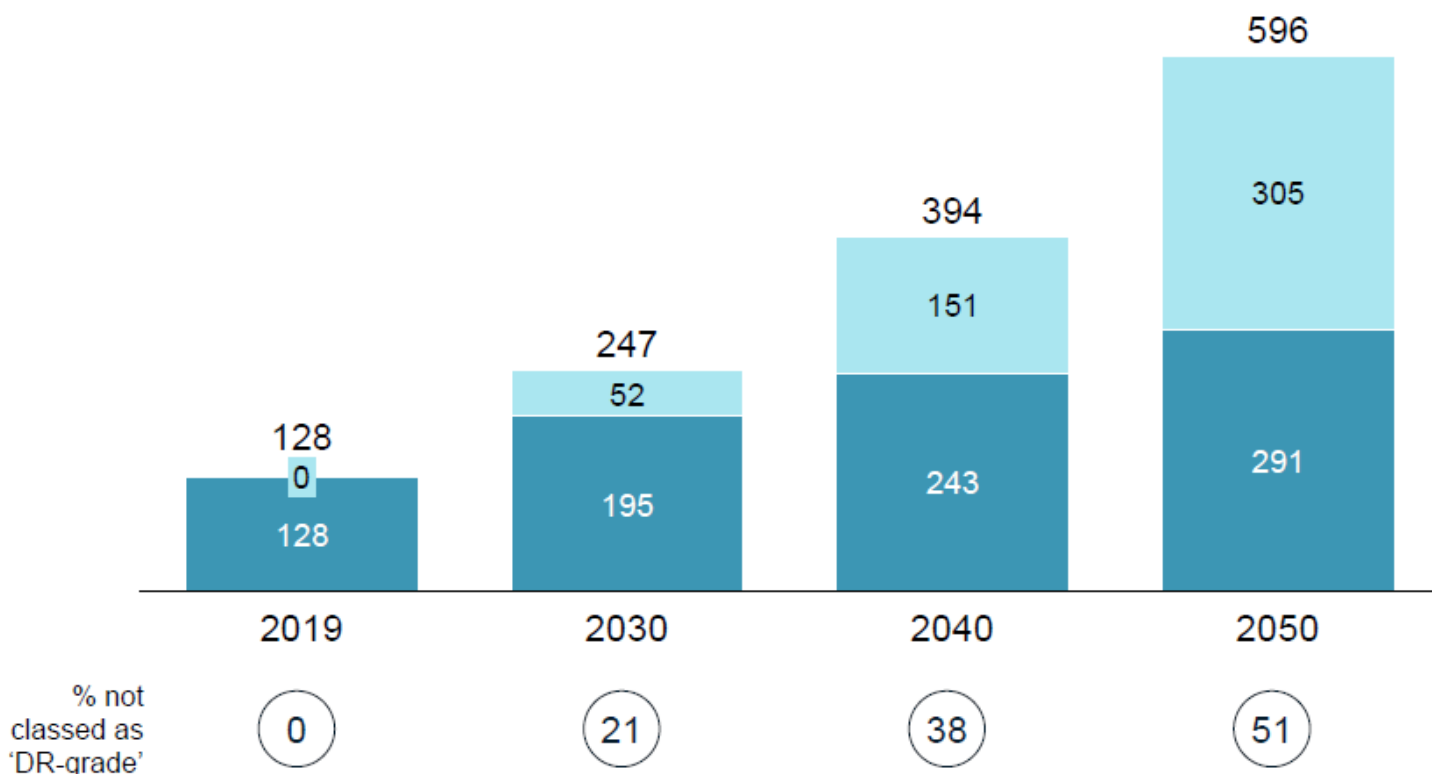
# Increasing amounts of low-quality (BF-grade) iron ore could be used to make DRI

IEA Sustainable Development Scenario - raw material implications

## DRI raw materials demand by source<sup>1</sup>

Million tonnes

■ Non-DR grade raw materials  
■ Current DR-grade raw materials<sup>2</sup>



## DRI consumption trends

- Under the IEA's Sustainable Development Scenario, an increasing share of raw materials for DRI production must come from iron ore that is too low-quality to be currently classified as DR-grade



- Current processes to upgrade lower-quality DRI for use in EAFs are more costly than using pig iron and emit further CO<sub>2</sub>, lessening the environmental impact of higher usage of DRI

- One area of active development is technologies that convert DRI into hot metal for use in BOFs. This would allow the use of low-quality iron ore while still keeping carbon intensity low

1. Assuming raw materials yield of 1.45:1

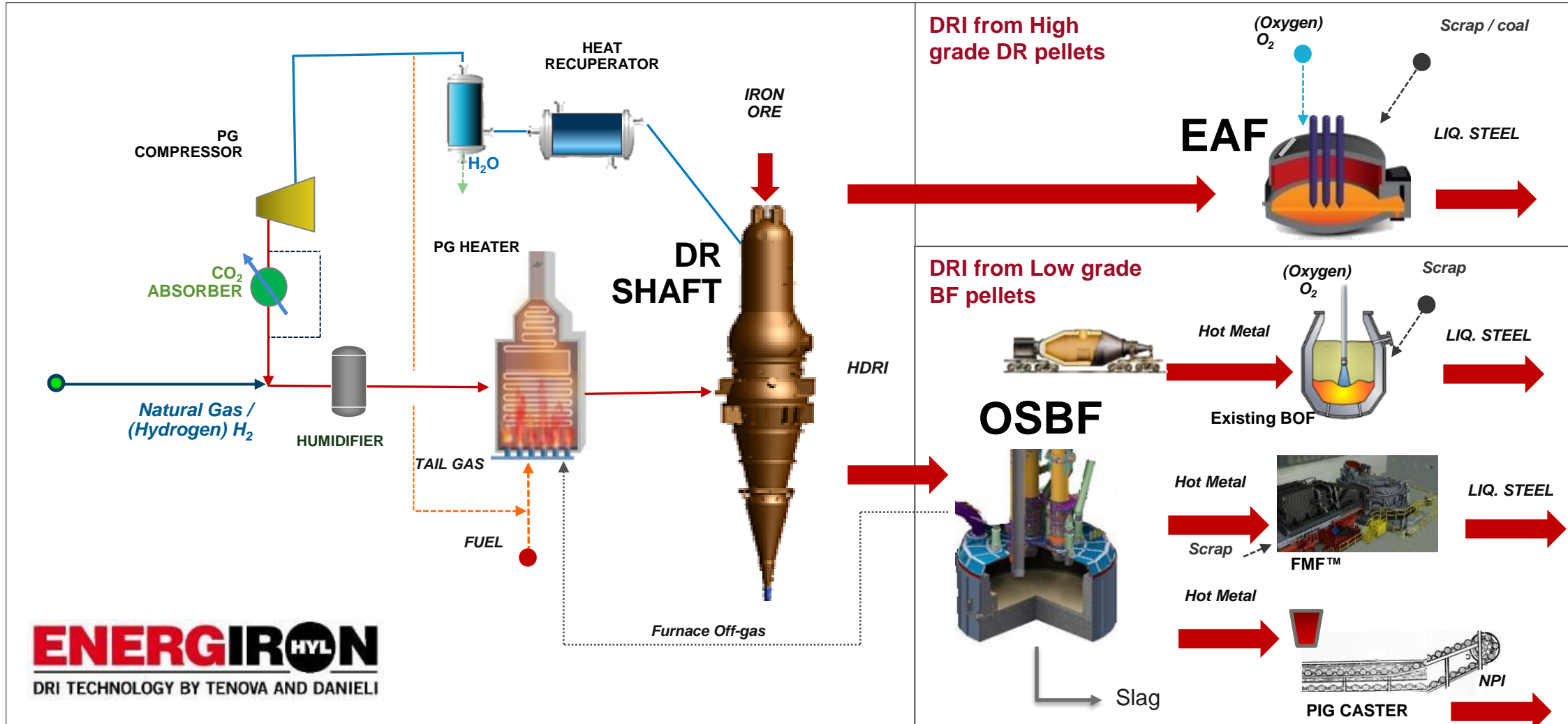
2. Using MineSpans base case to 2030 and linear extrapolation forwards



# iBlue: HM via Open Slag Bath Furnace

# Routes for low carbon steelmaking

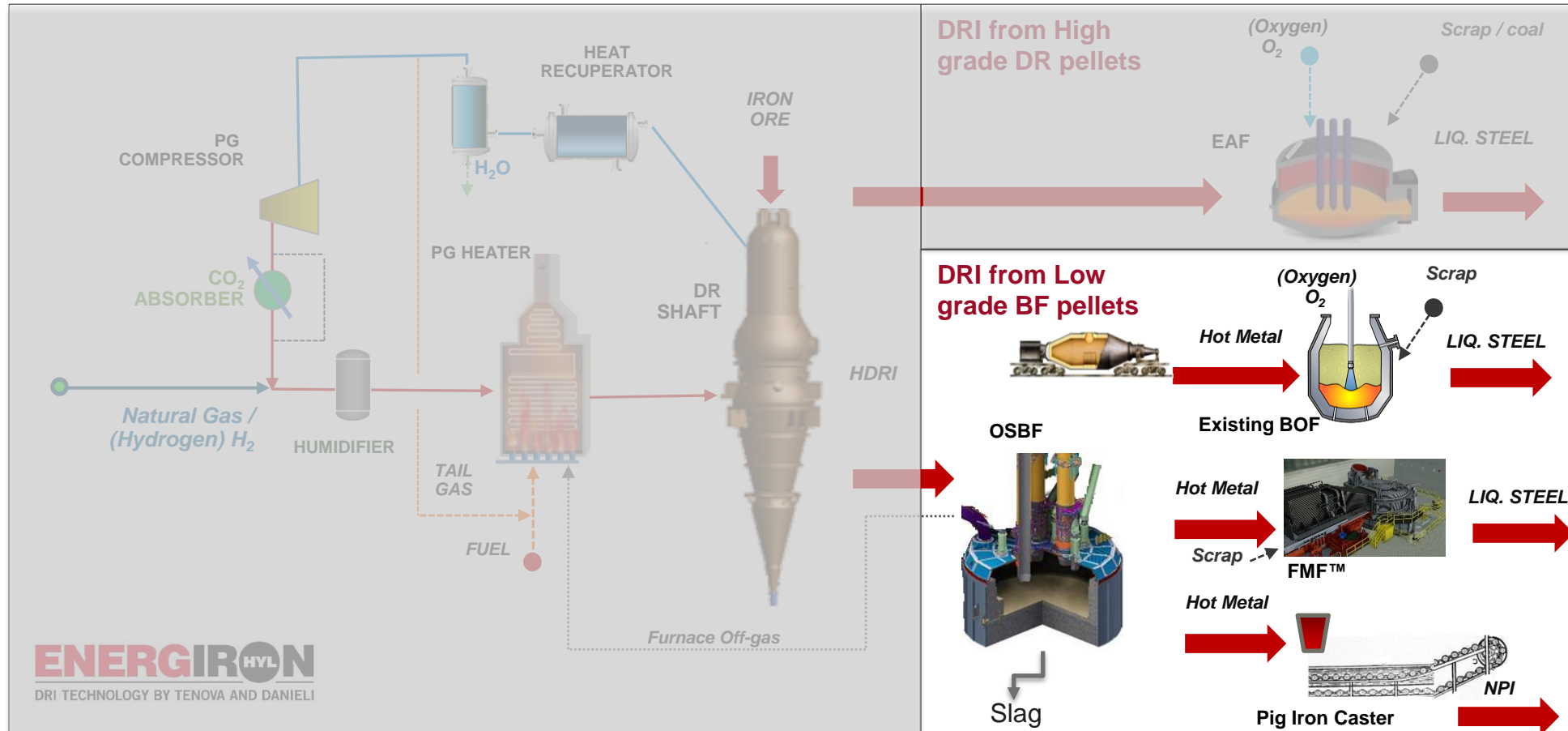
TODAY AND TOMORROW





# Routes for low-C footprint steelmaking

## GENERAL APPROACH



# Evolution of steelmaking flow sheet

REPLACE BLAST FURNACE, REDUCE CARBON EMISSIONS

Pellet requirement

Direct Reduction

Hot Metal

Steelmaking

Existing



BF grade pellet  
Sinter  
Lump  
Coke



Hot metal  
 $\pm 4\% \text{ C}$   
 $\pm 0.3\% \text{ Si}$



Liquid Steel

DRI-OSBF



BF grade pellet  
Natural gas /  $\text{H}_2$



Hot DRI

Hot metal  
 $\pm 4\% \text{ C}$   
 $\pm 0.3\% \text{ Si}$



Liquid Steel

>50% less  $\text{CO}_2$  emissions

## TENOVA VISION FOR THE DECARBURIZATION TRANSITION

The **TENOVA Approach** to support the industry to reach the carbon footprint reduction:

**ENERGIRON DRI Technology**, jointly developed by Tenova and Danieli, to produce high quality reduced iron



- a) An **Electric Arc Furnace (EAF)** for liquid steel production, and/or,
- b) An **Open Bath Slag Furnace (OSBF)** for hot metal production

Is this transition enough for the long term objective?

Yes, but complementing, **Hydrogen** needs to be used

### SOME FACTS

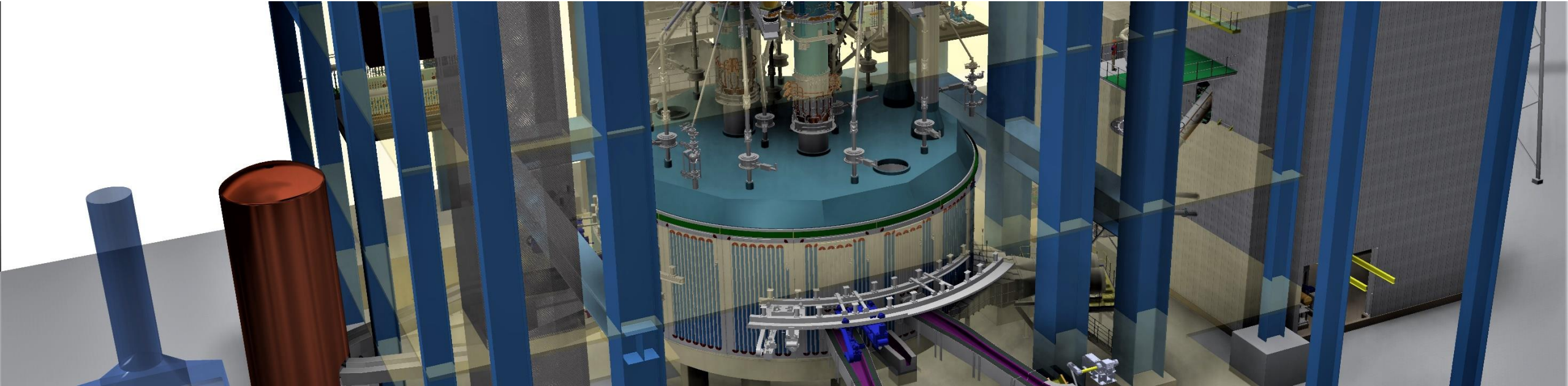
Many technologies are being studied for the decarbonization of the industry.

So far only gas based direct reduction has been proven and readily available at industrial scale as a reliable vehicle to industry decarbonization.

The use of high percentages of hydrogen (up to 100%) as reduction gas allow a terrific abatement of CO emissions

Direct reduction iron needs to be molten in an electric arc furnace.

## DECARBONIZATION STRATEGIES



## Reinventing Integrated Steelmaking



# > Pig Iron production via Direct Reduction

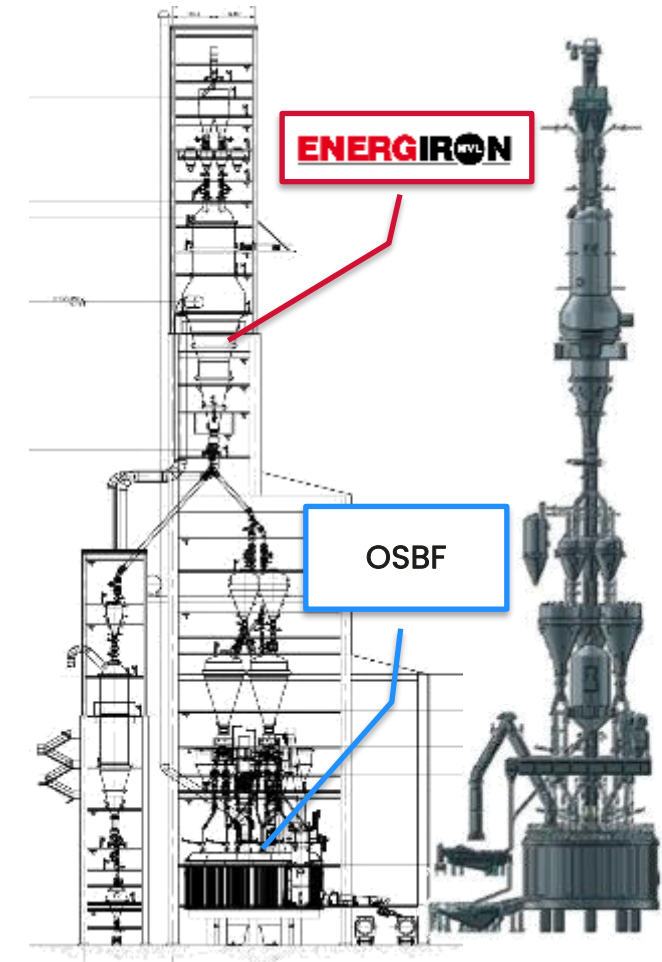
# Natural gas–based Pig Iron production

MERGING TWO PROVEN TECHNOLOGIES OF TENOVA

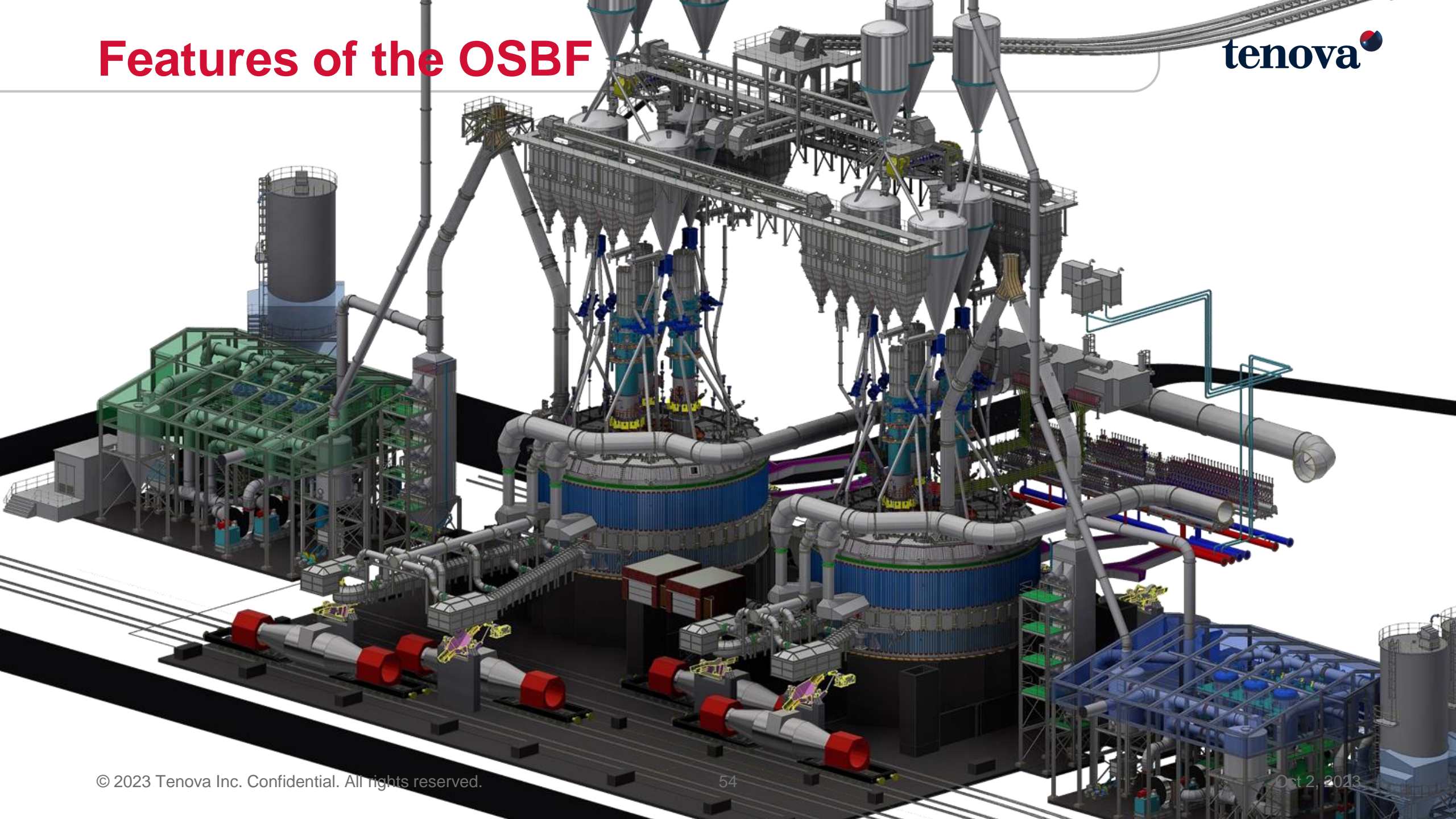
## IRONMAKING REINVENTED

Valuable production of **Hot Metal / Pig Iron** thanks to:

- ✓ ENERGI<sup>®</sup> High-C DRI + Reducing Arc Furnace
- ✓ DRI C content > 4.0%
- ✓ More than 90% of Carbon bonded as Fe<sub>3</sub>C
- ✓ Maintaining downstream BOF facilities, just replacing the BF
- ✓ **Use of conventional BF-grade pellets**
- ✓ BF-like slag by product for the concrete industry
- ✓ Optimized Capex for the lowest possible CO<sub>2</sub> footprint



# Features of the OSBF



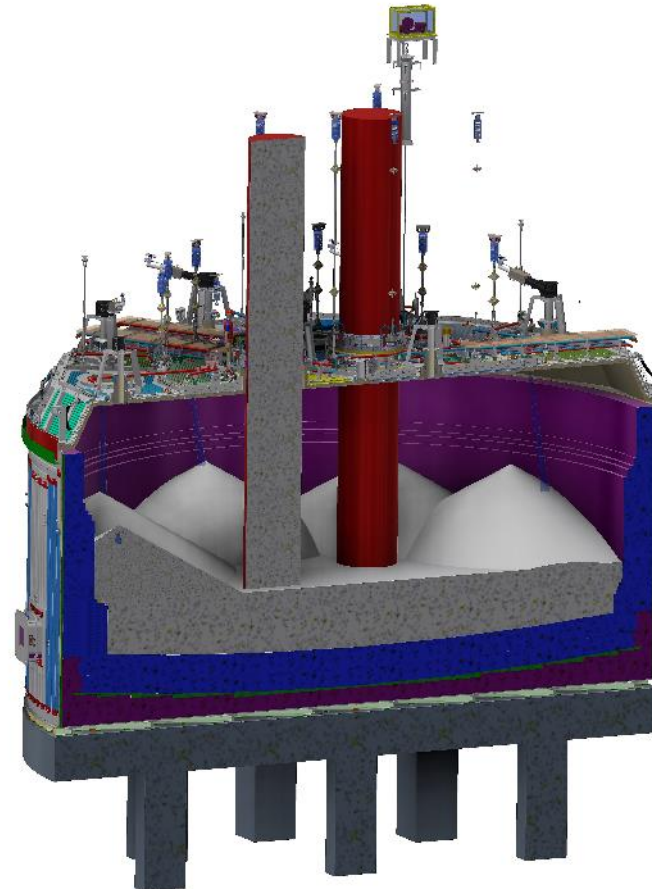
# What is an OSBF?

Submerged arc furnace design, operating in brush arc mode

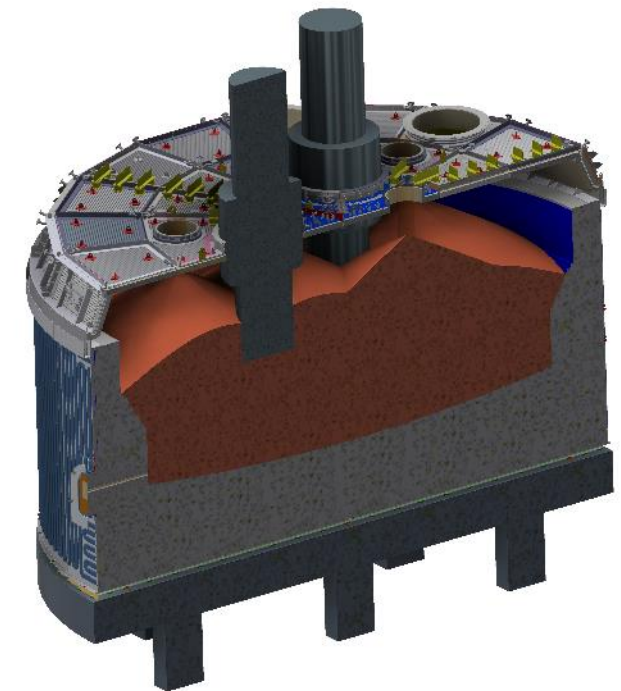
## OSBF = 'Open Slag Bath Furnace'

- Conventional SAF design, but operating in Brush Arc Mode
- Portion of pellet feed is small (6mm), so bed is not that porous
- Very little reductant/flux addition
- Arc length 20 – 50mm, not immersed
  - Depending on specific slag properties, can operate in immersed arc mode
- Feed pile design is critical

OSBF operation



SAF operation  
(Ferroalloy design)

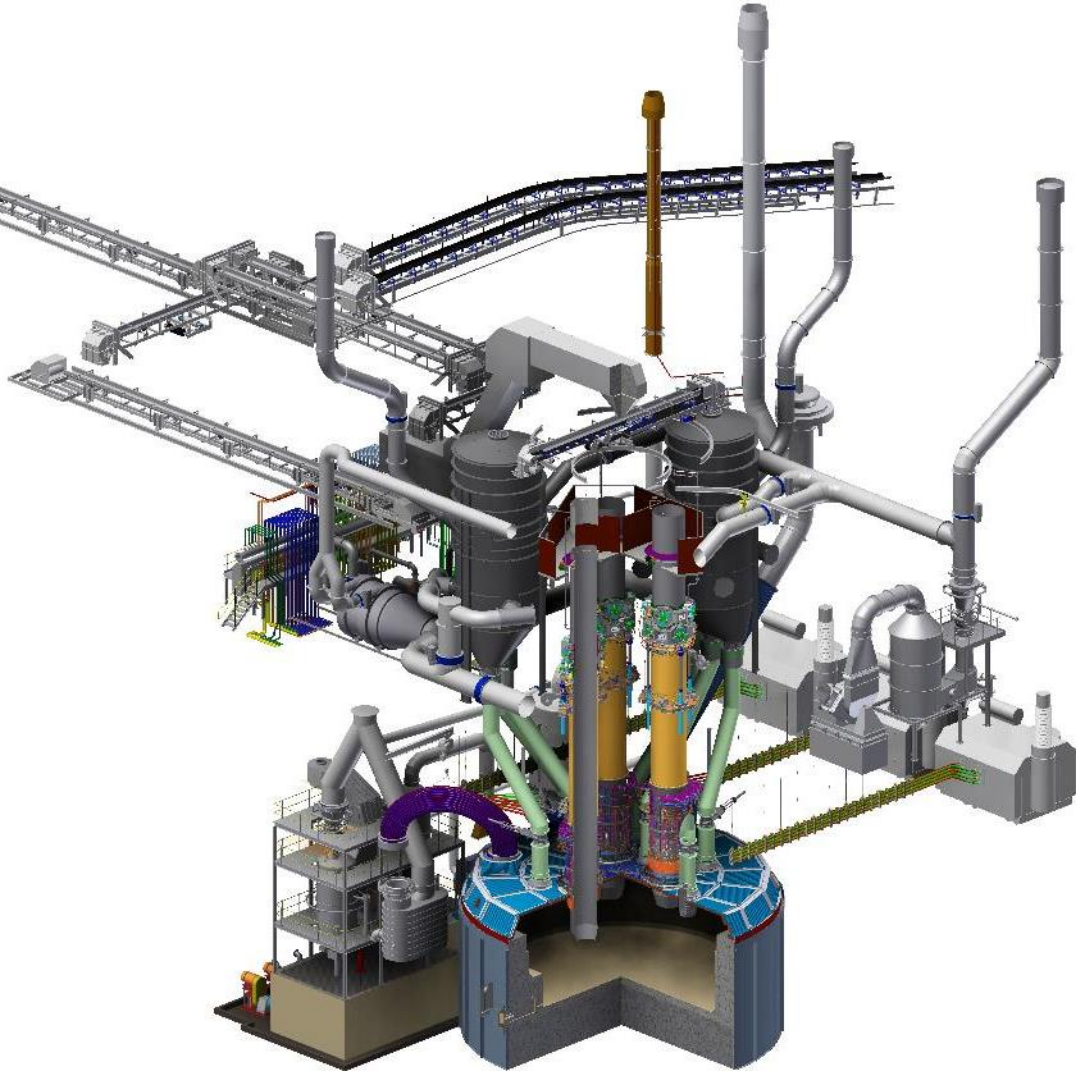




# Tenova Pyromet

Large capacity SAF furnace

Kazchrome Aksu shop 6 renovation project – 1 x 81MVA (2015)



## Aksu Shop 6 Renovation Project – 65MW power input

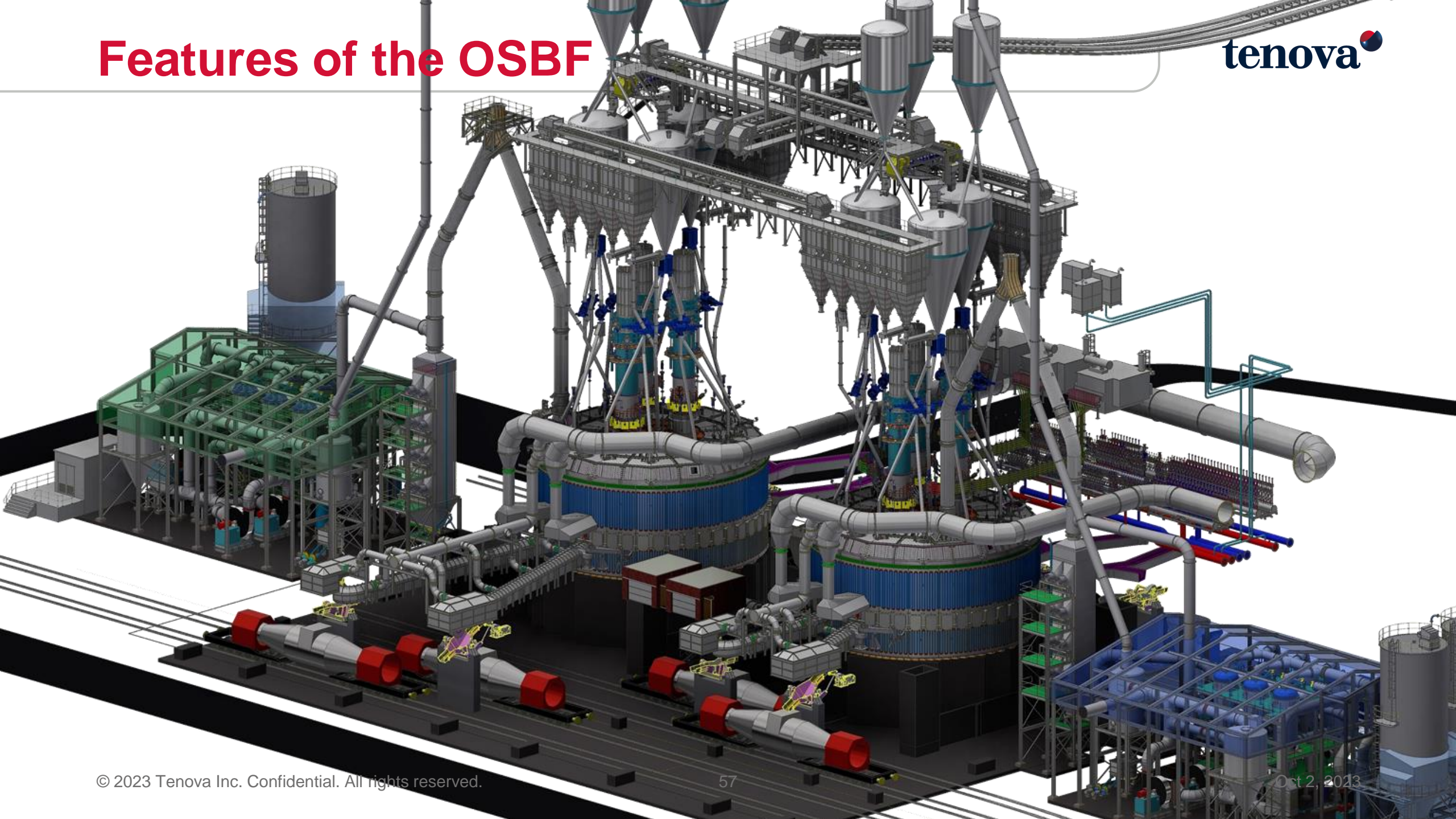
- Basic engineering for complete aksu shop 6 (4x81MVA FeCr furnaces)
- Detail engineering and equipment supply for shop 64
  - Patented Multiple pre-heater
  - 1,700mm Soderberg electrodes
  - Wet gas scrubbing plant
  - Shell ID – 16,500mm
  - Furnace transformers, designed to receive power at 220kV with secondary compensation built into furnace transformer

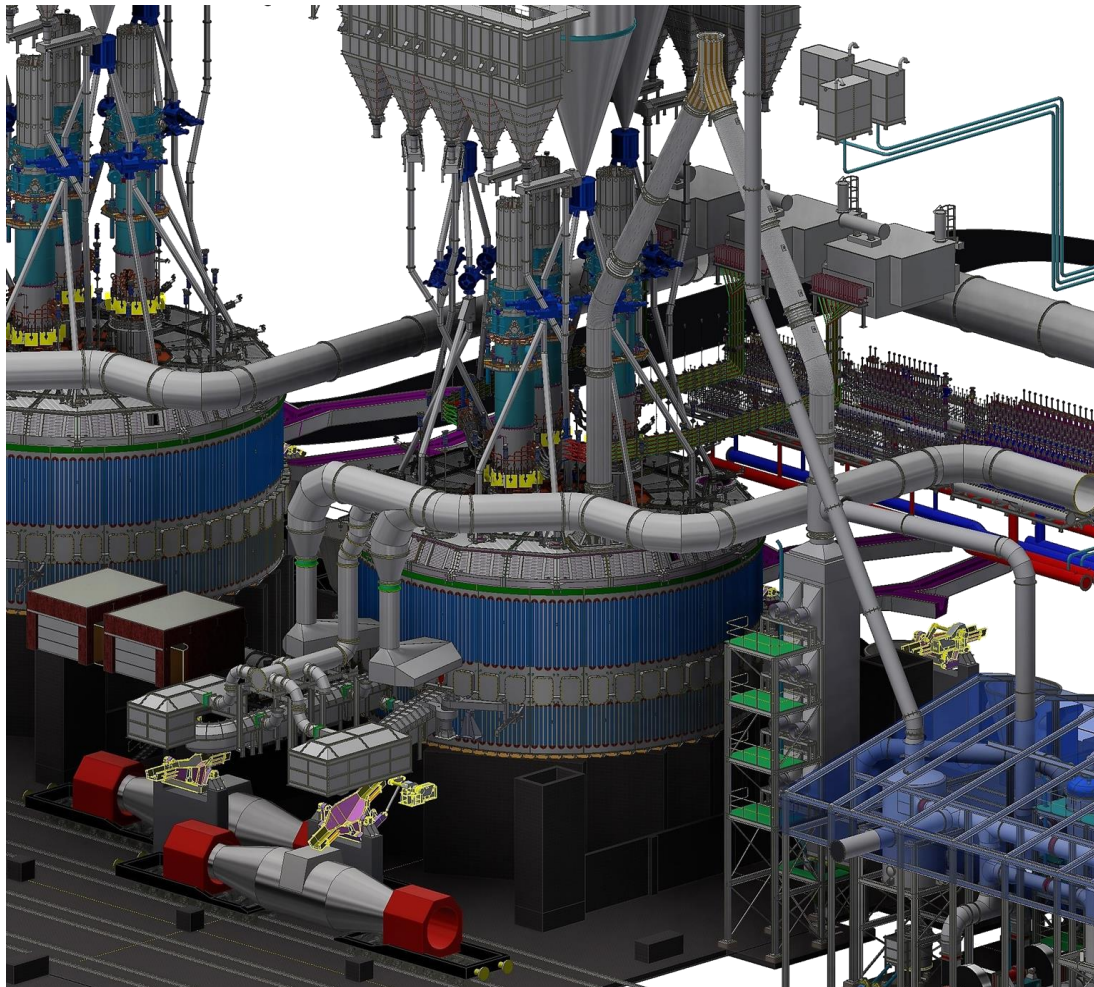
Power on! 19 July 2019



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# Features of the OSBF





## *Furnace Atmosphere*

- Reducing environment, allowing slag modification and re-carburization
- **Steady state** process

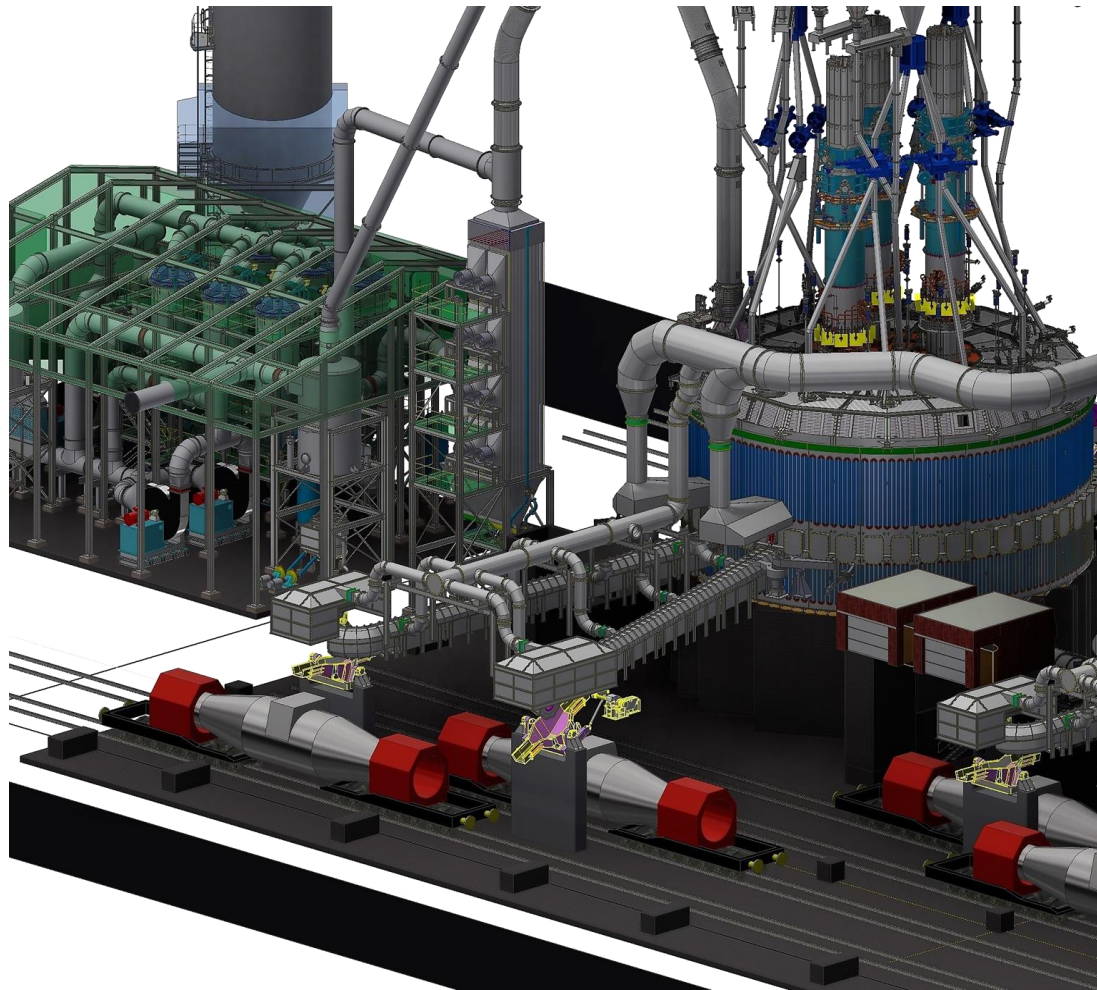
## *Feed material requirements*

- **BF grade pellets** can be used, as slag can be modified to reduce FeO content to 1%
- Due to **sealed design** and process, slag additions are limited ( $\pm 50\text{mm}$  top-size)

## *Final Products*

- **Hot metal**, similar to blast furnace pig iron
- **Slag**, as sellable product similar to BF slag

# Features of the OSBF



## ***Electrodes***

- Soderberg electrodes

## ***Electrical system***

- Due to very **low operating resistance**, minimal impact on electrical grid

## ***Gas cleaning and recycling***

- **CO-rich furnace gas** produced, with high chemical energy content, reusable in the process gas heater of Direct Reduction

## ***Maintenance life-cycle***

- **10+ years** for shell refractory

# Design a flexible feed system

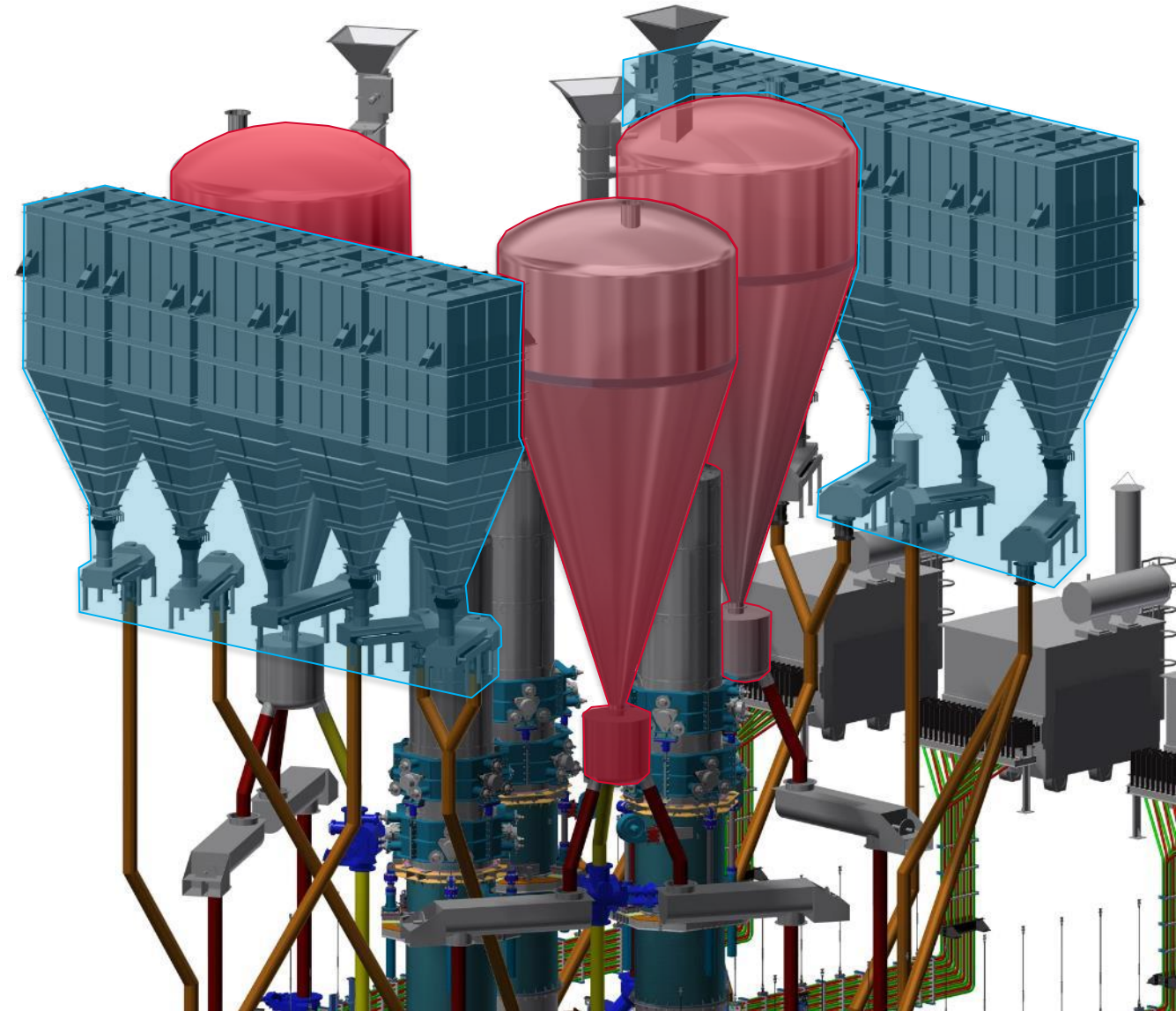
Understand the process requirements

## Primary feed system

- HDRI
  - HDRI feed a function of DRP availability
- Can be used for CDRI (but never a blend of HDRI and CDRI)

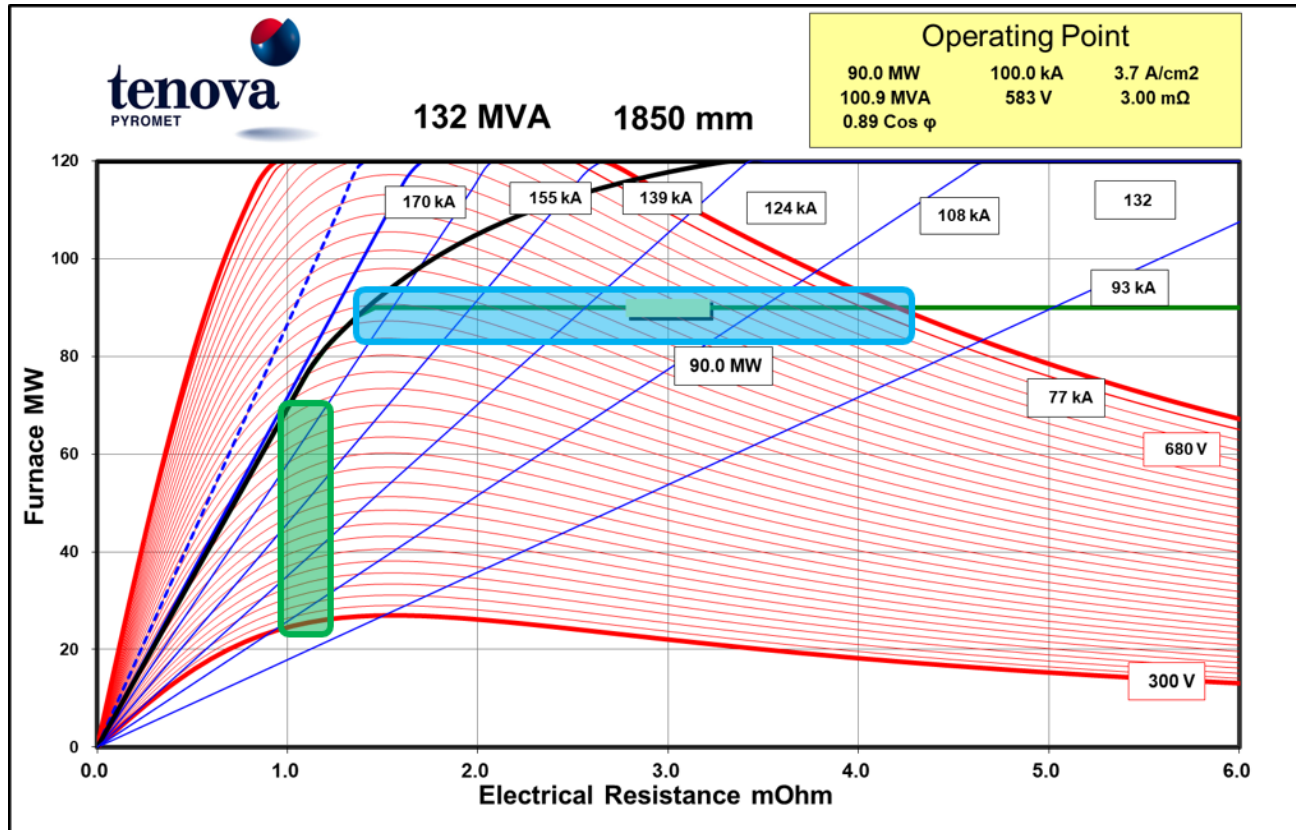
## Secondary feed system

- Separate feed, so not dependent on DRP annual availability
- All reductant and fluxes
- Other Fe containing materials



# OSBF Electrical Design Parameters

WIDE OPERATING RANGE – GIVING OPERATORS MAXIMUM FLEXIBILITY



## Fundamental design concept

- Wide operating mode for submerged and brush arc
- Additional MVA needed for submerged arc mode provides additional MW at higher operating resistances

## Submerged Arc Mode: SAF

- Lower furnace operating resistances (< 1mΩ)
- ‘Slower reaction’ operating conditions
- Typically used for start-up conditions

## Brush Arc Mode: OSBF

- Higher furnace operating resistances (2 – 4.5mΩ)
- Requires faster power-feed control

# OSBF-EAF Differences in Slag Chemistry

## HOW PELLET QUALITY IMPACTS OSBF AND EAF PERFORMANCE

### OSBF

- Can use both **BF and DR grade pellets**
- Due to reducing environment FeO is reduced, improving yield, **minimizing FeO content in slag**, regardless of pellet composition, **producing a slag saleable to the cement industry**
- A lower quality pellet will require more electrical energy to produce the Hot Metal

### EAF

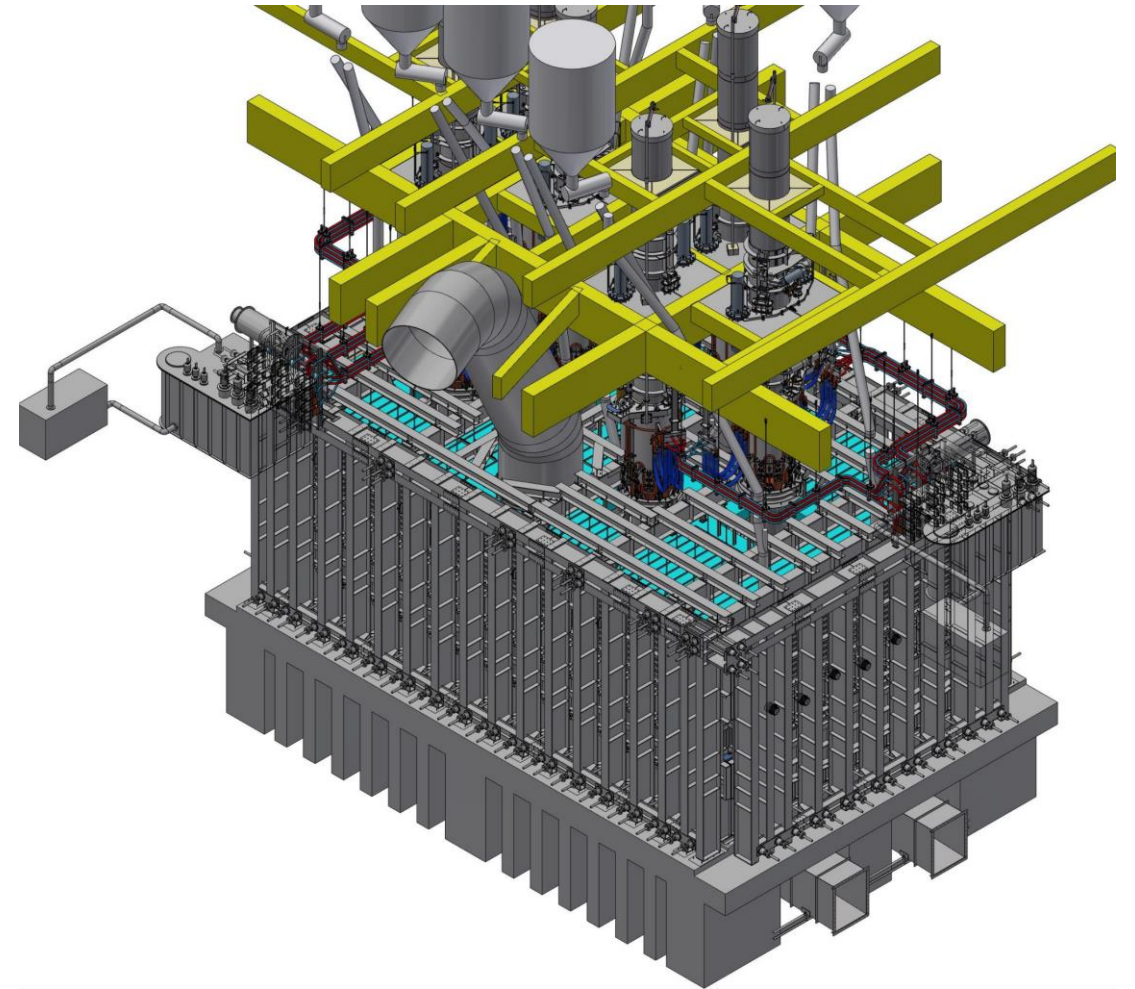
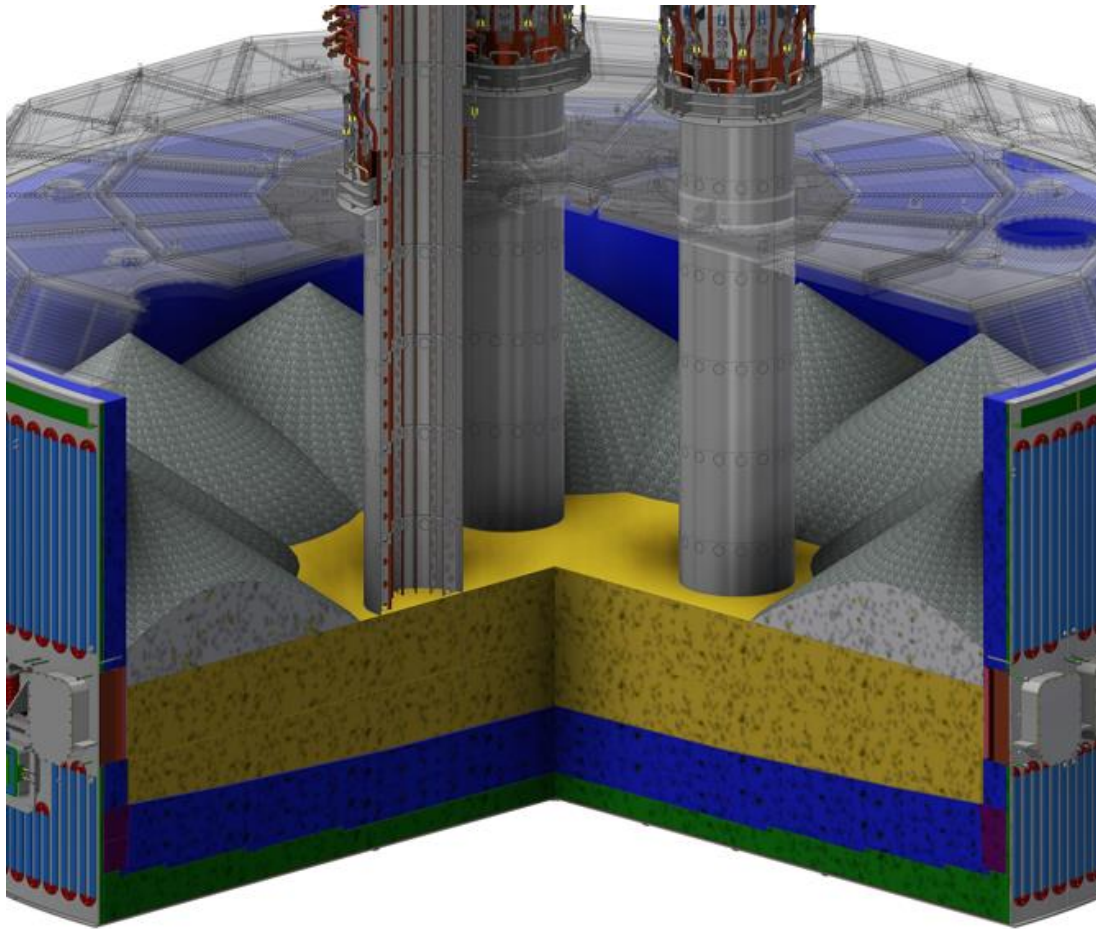
- The higher the gangue percentage in the DRI, the more slag is produced
- Slag basicity is a key part of the EAF process, and the **EAF cannot process high quantities of gangue** (therefore no BF grade pellets)
- Higher slag volumes = lower yield, and impacts furnace operation (as the EAF is not designed for high slag volumes)

# OSBF-EAF Differences in Process

Production parameters	Unit	OSBF	EAF
Maximum annual production	Mt/a	<b>1.0 – 1.2 Hot Metal (110MVA)</b> <i>(depending on DRI grade) Downstream refining still needed</i>	<b>2.5 – 3.0 Liquid Steel (240MVA)</b> <i>(no further refining needed)</i>
Slag	kg/t	<b>80 – 120</b> <i>Slag meets cement industry requirement (revenue generator)</i>	<b>120 – 150</b> <i>High FeO content (up to 20%-30%)</i>
Energy consumption	kWh/t	DR grade: <b>450 - 500</b> BF grade: <b>500 - 600</b>	DR grade: <b>380 – 450</b> <i>(dependent on charge mix)</i>
Electrode consumption (based on \$3/kg for graphite electrode)	\$/t product	<b>2 – 2.5</b> <i>Soderberg paste, 80% saving on graphite electrodes</i>	<b>± 3 for Liquid Steel</b> <i>Higher productivity will lead to lower electrode consumption</i>



# Circular OSBF vs. Rectangular OSBF



## LIMITED REFERENCES FOR PIG IRON PRODUCTION FROM PRE-REDUCED IRON FEED



*Ferronikeli - 1984,  
Elkem design  
20m (65 ft) ID circular  
47 MW set point  
2m (80") Søderberg electrode*

### *OSBF References for ironmaking*

#### **Circular**

Used at Highveld Steel and IDI for DRI melting

- 38 – 42 MW

#### **Rectangular (six-in-line)**

Used at New Zealand Steel for DRI melting

- 39 – 43 MW

### *OSBF for other commodities*

#### **Circular**

- 94 MW (FeNi)

#### **Rectangular**

- 90 MW (FeNi)

Key consideration for reference installations is whether the process is a slag rich process

# Circular vs. Rectangular Summary

## CIRCULAR vs RECTANGULAR

### Circular design

#### Advantages

- Lower energy consumption requirement (~15% less)
- Lower maintenance (3 electrodes vs. 6)
- Simpler feed system design
- Simpler shell design, simpler construction
- Can stand higher hearth power densities
- Better bath stirring
- Simpler / smaller auxiliary systems

#### Challenges

- Limited power input

### Rectangular design

#### Advantages

- Higher absolute MW rating potential

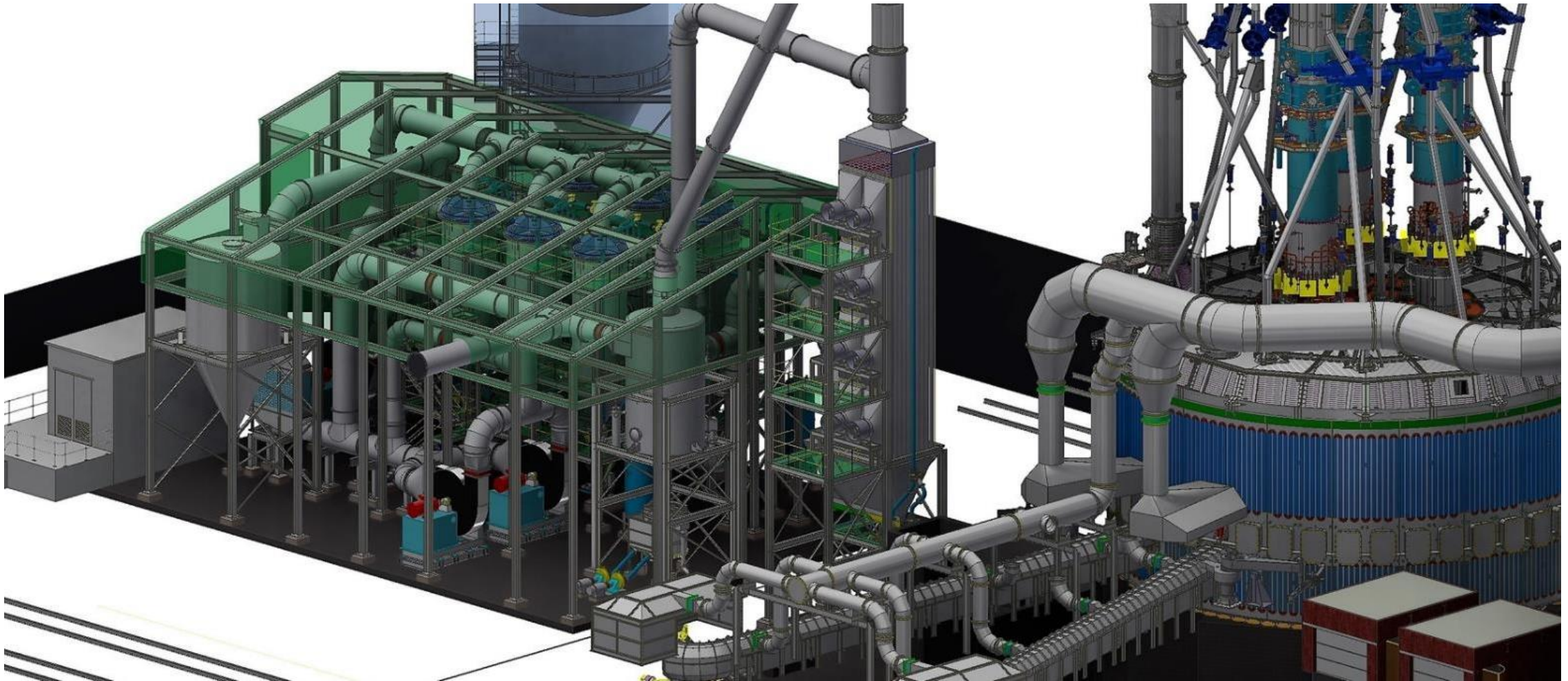
#### Challenges

- Footprint: 110MW furnace is 40m x 15m
- Long term sealing arrangements of the furnace
- Feed system design – ensuring homogenous feed profile over large area
- Higher capex / opex

SAF users prefer circular furnaces whenever their application (process and power) is possible.

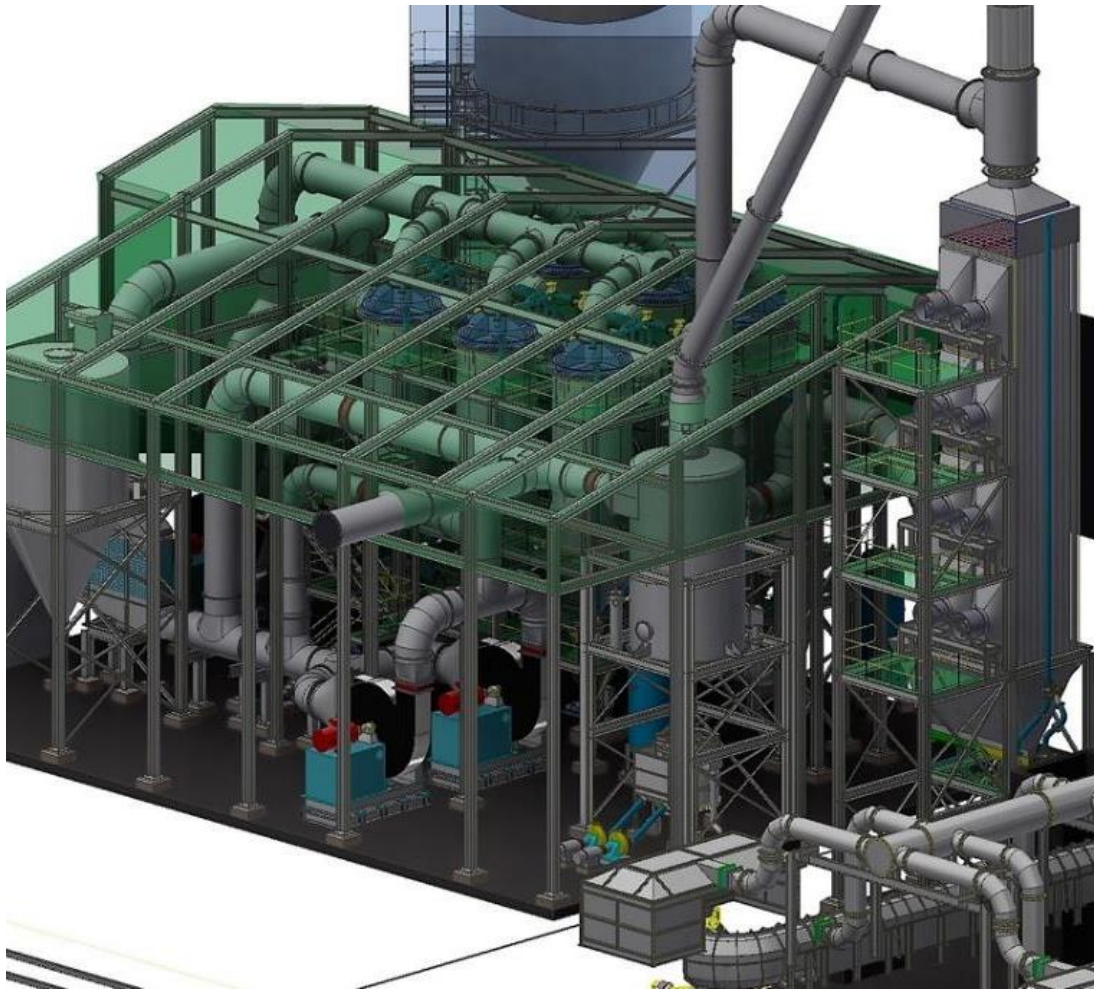
# Gas cleaning technology

PATENTED DRY GAS CLEANING SYSTEM – 90% REDUCTION IN WATER CONSUMPTION



# Minimize CO<sub>2</sub> emissions

MAXIMIZE THE POTENTIAL OF iBLUE FLOW SHEET



## Sending clean CO-rich gas to the ENERGI<sup>®</sup> Process Gas Heater:

- **Reducing Natural Gas consumption:** OSBF gas is a 'free' substitute to fuel
- The Combusted OSBF gas is absorbed in existing DRP gas handling system, meaning no dedicated equipment is needed for the gas sequestration

*Can such gas can be used otherwise?*

- Yes, it can be combusted, heat can be recovered in a Waste Heat Recovery System, and CO<sub>2</sub> shall be captured: its more expensive and less efficient

# Robotization and Digitalization Examples

USE TECHNOLOGY TO MAKE THE PLANT SAFER



## Automated casing welding solution

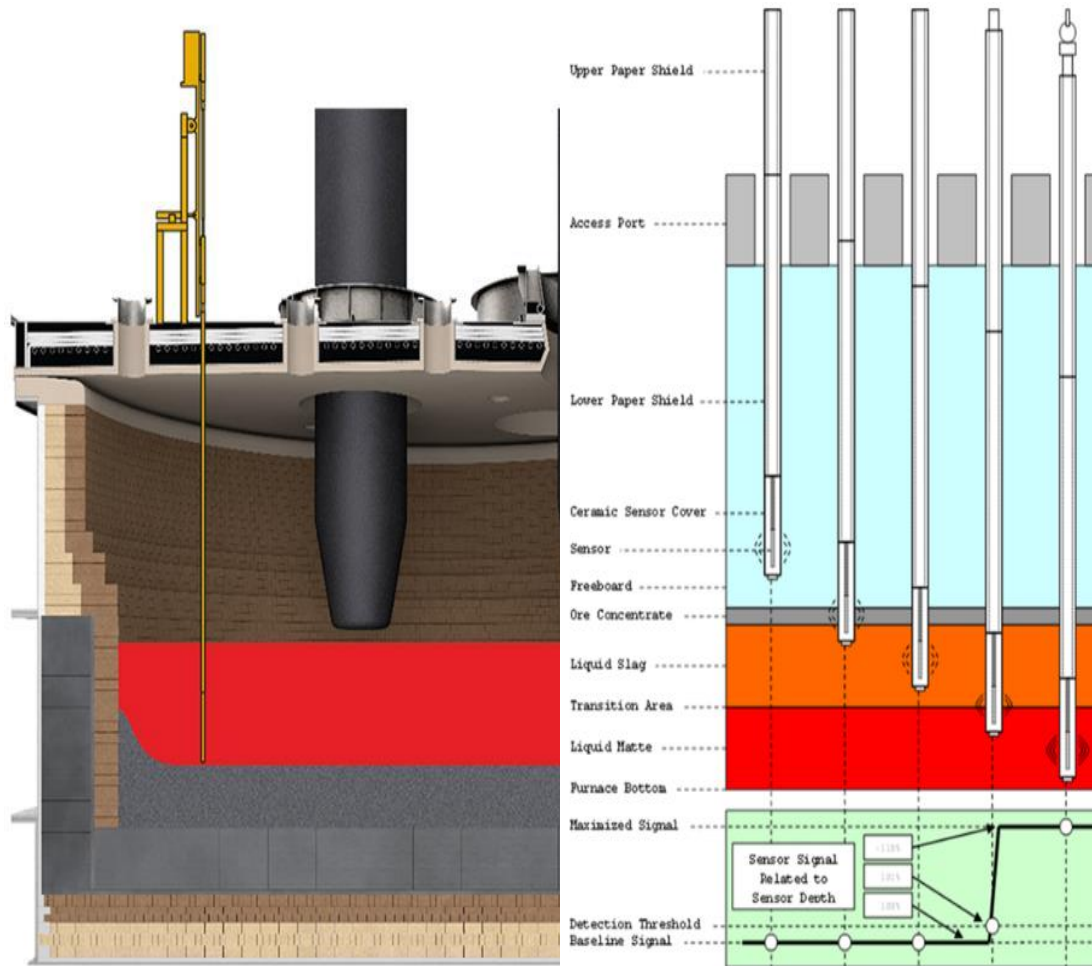
- **Robotized welding of steel casings** during casing extension avoids prolonged presence of operators on the casing floor
- **Removes potential hazards** related to welding and potential flames from the furnace.
- **Ensures reliability and consistency** of the welding process

# Digitalization and new sensors

DIGITALIZATION ALLOWS SAFER AND HIGHER QUALITY PERFORMANCES

## Automated bath sounding solution

- Automated hoist with encoder
- Thermal camera combined with image processing to differentiate between matte and slag levels on dip bar



# The Greenest Pig Iron plant in the World

tenova

mine and plant already fully permitted  
producing High Purity Pig Iron, V, TiO<sub>2</sub>  
As low as ~0.6 tCO<sub>2</sub>/t using NG  
already set up to use H<sub>2</sub>  
**Port Saguenay, Quebec**

**BLACKROCKMETALS**



# A mix of proven Tenova proprietary technologies

TENOVA masters all technologies involved with a 50 years experience

## DRP

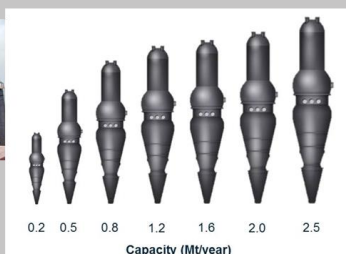
HyL started first pilot in 1984. HyL is THE world recognized brand for Direct reduction.

2006: strategic alliance “ENERGIRON” with Danieli.

21 DR Plants worldwide



0,20 MTPY CDRI  
Carbon 3.0% - 4%  
Metallization 94%



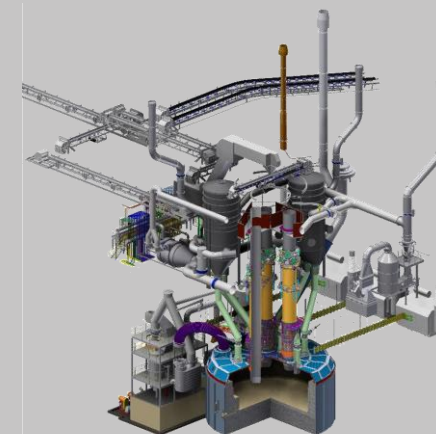
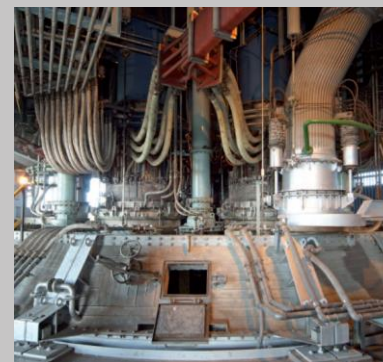
2,5 MTPY CDRI  
Carbon 3.0% - 4.5%  
Metallization 95% - 96.5%

40+ years of experience in DRP

## OSBF

Tenova Pyromet is the result of the successful merger between the submerged arc furnace division of Techint Technologies (Tagliaferri) and Pyromet Technologies.

First furnace in 1968 and today counts 300+ references in the world



# iBlue as future proof technology

ADDING A FMF<sup>®</sup> DOWNSTREAM ALLOWS INCREASE OF SCRAP UTILIZATION AND substitutes BOF



*Tenova FMF<sup>®</sup> furnace melting hot metal and scrap to produce steel*

Increasing the hydrogen utilization requires a flexible handling of the metal in a way to follow the process as hydrogen becomes more available.

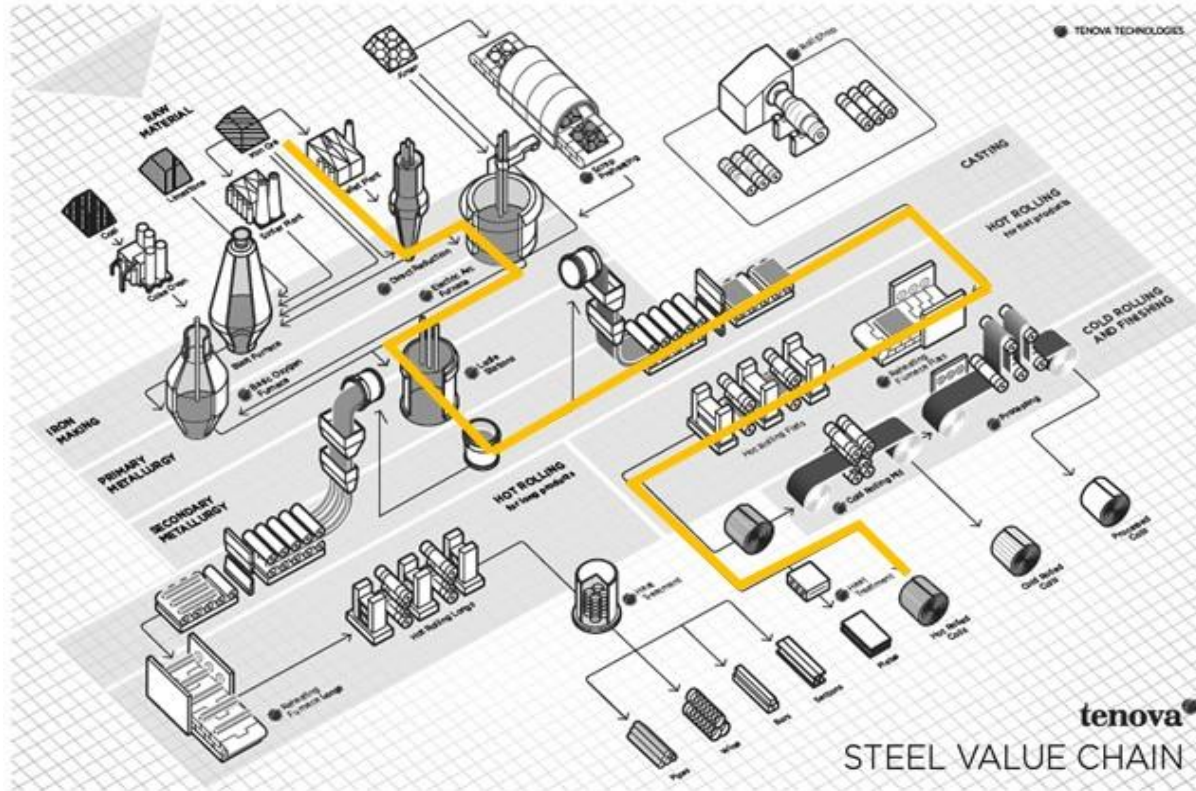
FMF<sup>®</sup> (Flexible modular furnace) concept allows to charge high percentage of HOT METAL (80-90%) into a furnace with continuous feed of scrap via CONSTEEL<sup>®</sup>.

The possibility to add electrical power can increase the % of scrap added to the mix

Tenova has 40+ references of these solutions around the world.

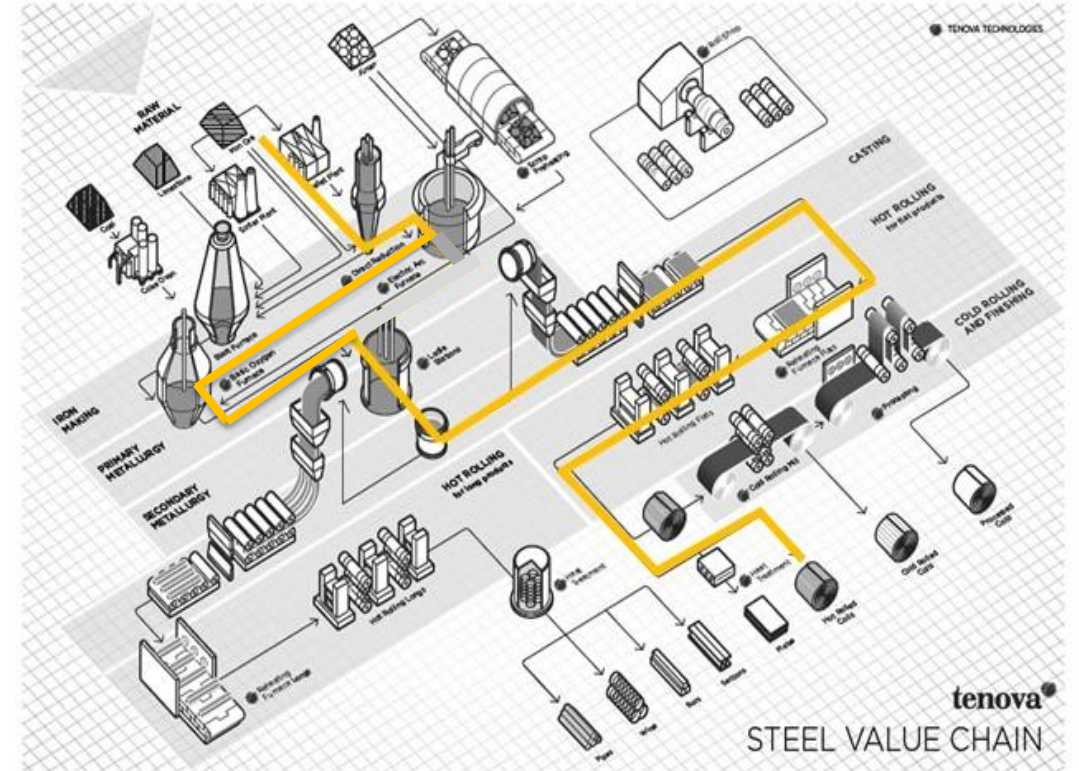
# The Tenova Pathway for Green Steel

## 1. DRI + EAF → Liquid Steel



NG-DRI/EAF route ~ **0.7-0.9** tCO<sub>2</sub>/ton  
to **0.5** tCO<sub>2</sub>/ton or less with  
35% H<sub>2</sub> mixed to NG

## 2. DRI + OSBF (iBLUE) → Hot Metal

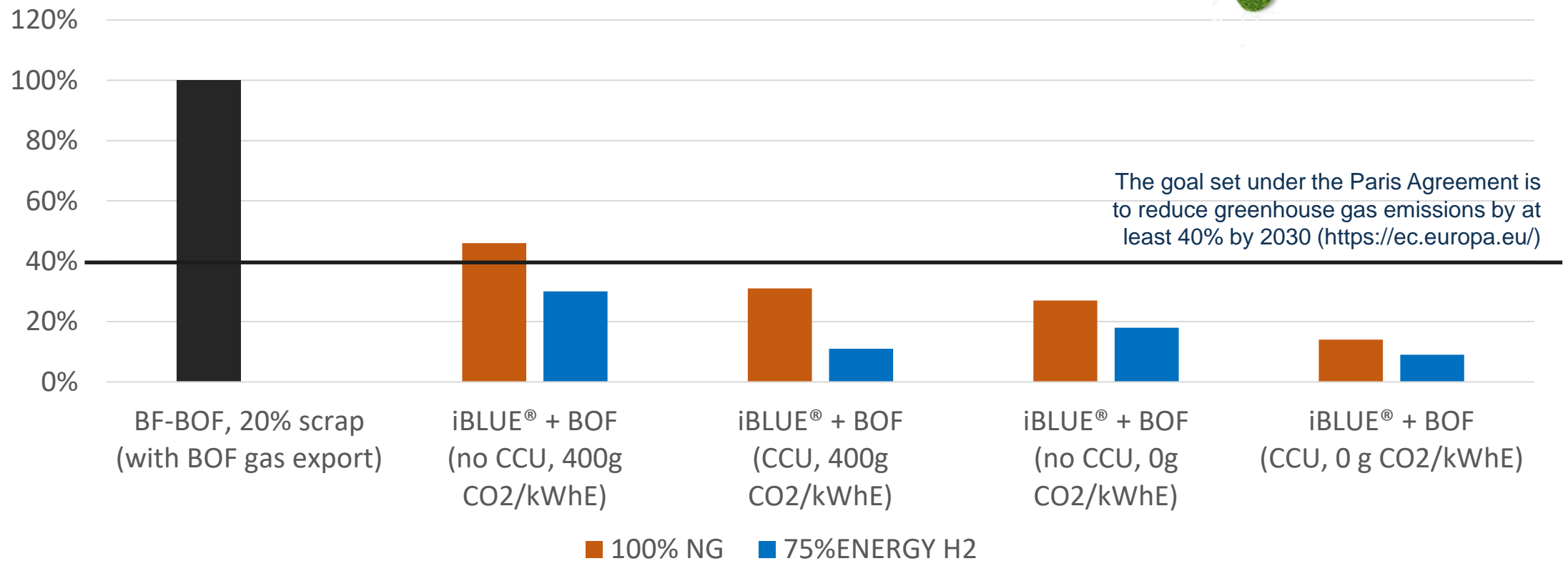


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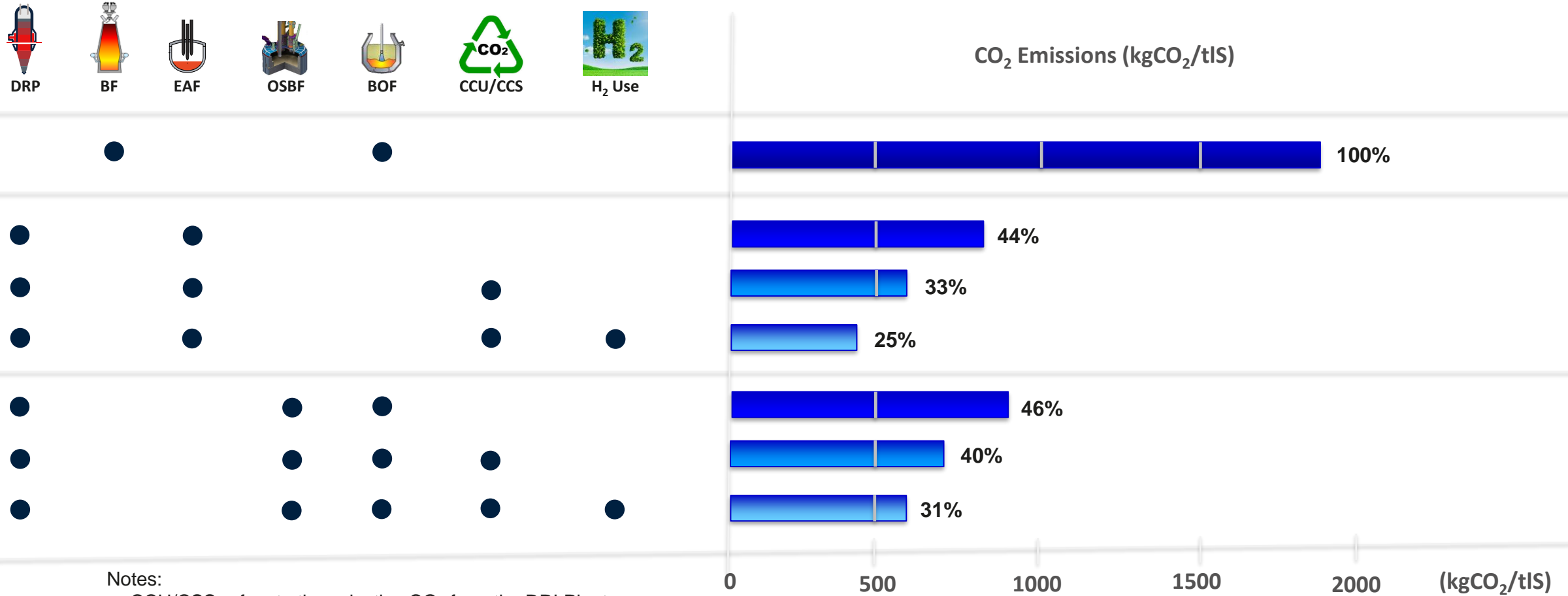
# CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions reduction with iBLUE<sup>®</sup>

IT IS ALREADY POSSIBLE TO MEET THE PARIS AGREEMENT WITHOUT HYDROGEN

Carbon reduction from Blast furnace using iBLUE<sup>®</sup>



# CO<sub>2</sub> emissions through each production route



Notes:

- CCU/CSS refers to the selective CO<sub>2</sub> from the DRI Plant.
- H<sub>2</sub> use at 35% as energy (or ~70% vol) in the makeup gases to the DRP.
- Location: 0.4 kgCO<sub>2</sub>/kWh

- The way to decarbonization goes through Direct Reduction
- DRP + EAF route has a number of advantages, it is a very well proven technology, but **works only with high grades pellets**
- The increase of DRI production will lead to a **shortage of DR grade pellets** and it is a question if the supply will be able to match the demand
- Tenova iBLUE<sup>®</sup> offers a proven way to produce steel from **low grade Blast Furnace pellets**
- iBLUE<sup>®</sup> can count on high Carbon DRI produced via the ENERGIRON<sup>™</sup> process and can supply green hot metal to the traditional steelmaking route (i.e. BOF) or to other advanced technologies (i.e. Tenova FMF<sup>™</sup>) able to take advantage of an increased scrap addition to the metal.
- iBLUE<sup>®</sup> can also be coupled to EAF /FMF<sup>®</sup> technology to enhance production flexibility.



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