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Combined Heat, Power and Metal Extraction

The European economy is heavily

dependent upon energy and mineral supply for industry and society. Therefore,

key challenges are: lowering the costs

and the environmental impact of

energy production, and decreasing the

dependence on imported strategic raw

materials. Responding to these challenges,

the CHPM2030 project aims to develop a novel technology, which combines deep

geothermal energy production with metals

extraction from the geothermal fluid in

a single interlinked process (Combined Heat Power and Metals – CHPM). In

order to improve the economics of deep geothermal energy development, the

project investigates possible technologies

for manipulating metal-bearing geological

formations with geothermal potential at

a depth of 3 to 4 km, and potentially even

deeper. Our aim is that the co-production

of energy and metals will become possible

and may be optimised according to market

demands in the future. The project will

provide a proof of the technological concept

on a laboratory scale.

## Laboratory experiments and orebody investigations

Developing methods for the orebody-EGS reservoir management, simulating the orebody characteristics, conducting leaching tests on samples from the study sites, testing metal mobilisation with nanoparticles.

## Creating a sustainability model framework

Review of the economic, social and environmental aspects of the proposed CHPM technology.

### Integrated sustainability assessment

Defining the baseline economics for energy and mineral raw materials, assessing the social and the environmental impacts, the policy implications and the ethical issues.

Project start 2016

Oct 2016

Dec 2017 Aug 2018 Oct 2018 Feb 2019 April 2019

June 2019 Project end 2019

## Methodology framework

Overview of the European metallogenic belts, including orebody structures, data availability, and formulating a conceptual framework for an orebody-EGS system.

## Metal recovery and electrochemical power generation

- Metal recovery at both high pressures and temperatures by electrolysis and at low pressures and temperatures by gas-diffusion electroprecipitation and electrocrystallisation;
- Salt-gradient power generation from the geothermal fluid once most of its heat has been recovered.

#### System integration

Formulating a conceptual framework for a CHPM plant, integration of the different technology elements, finetuning of the system dynamics, process optimisation and producing CHPM process schematics.

## Roadmapping and preparation for pilots

Conducting Delphi survey, Horizon Scanning, Visioning process, evaluating data from the potential pilot sites with a European outlook to set the ground for subsequent pilot implementation with technology roadmaps towards 2030 and 2050.

Outcomes from these activities are available for download at http://www.chpm2030.eu/outreach.

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