Setting new standards for plant operations

C/A electrolyzers revamp and after sales support: an overview of thyssenkrupp nucera's strategies

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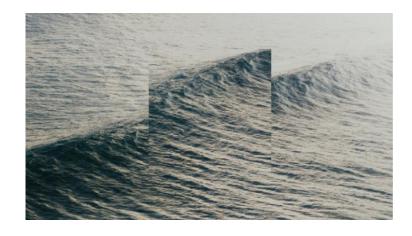
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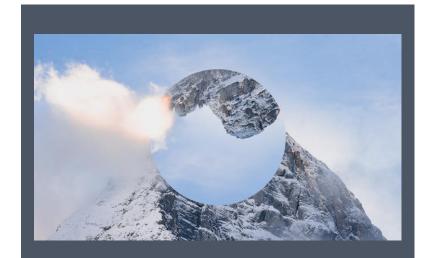
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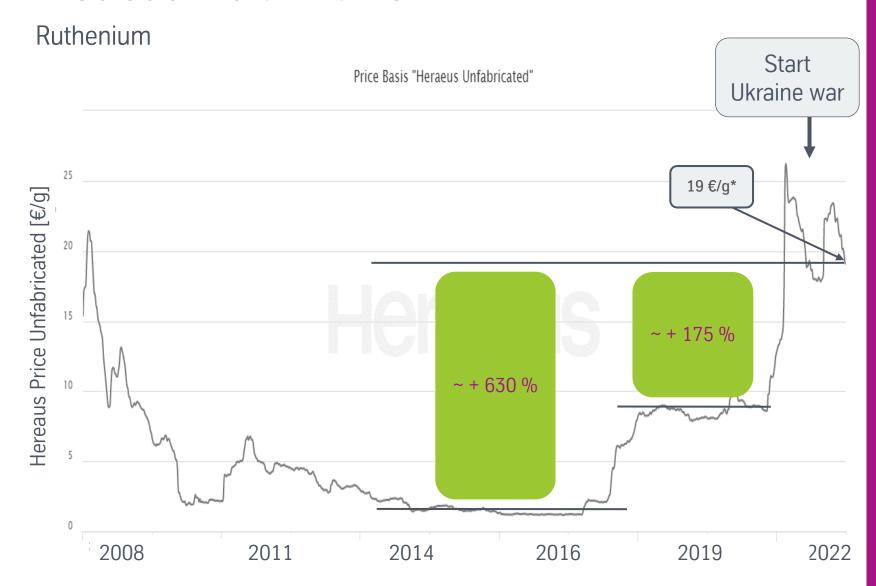
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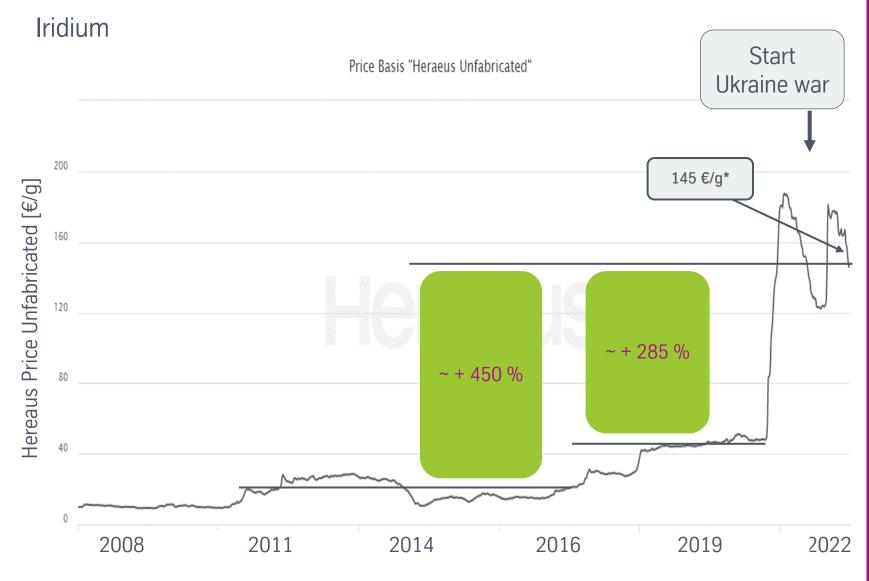
Precious metal market



Ruthenium increased by 630 % in last 6 years.

Source: heraeus.com *October 2022

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Iridium increased by 450 % in last 6 years.

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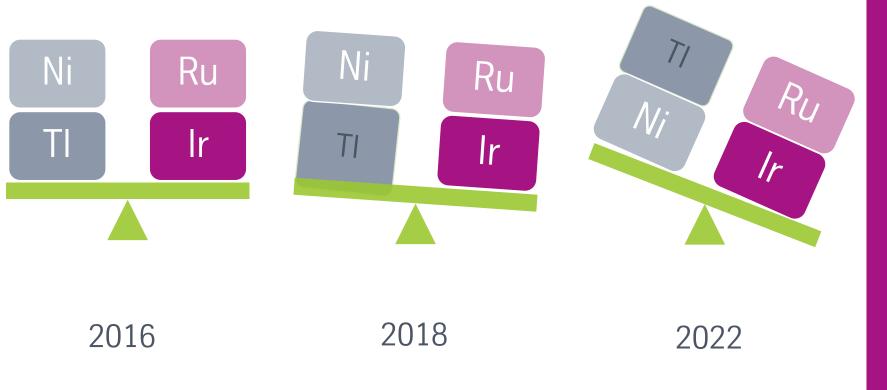
LME Nickel price trend 01/2020 – 08/2022



Significant increase of processing costs for nickel sheets since 03/2022.

Metal and precious metal market

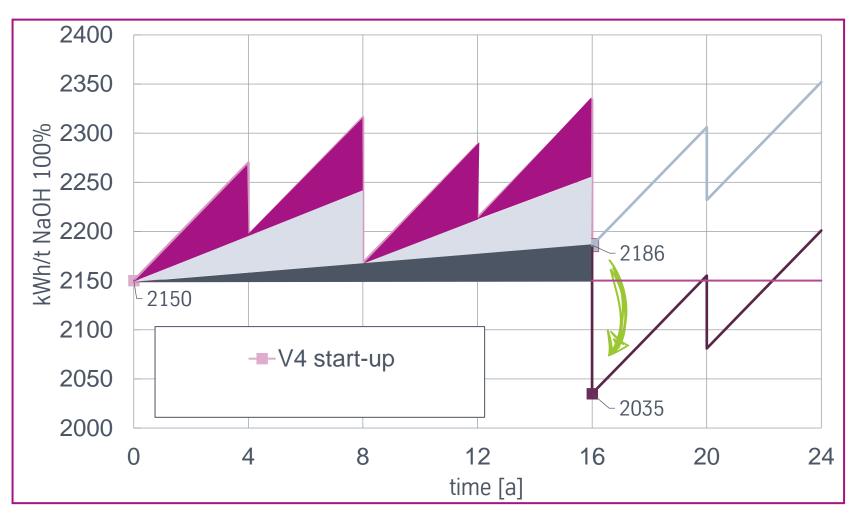
Relative influence on costs for v6b40 elements



Coating accounts for >> 50 % of the element cost in 2022.

Benefit of earlier change SE Gen. V3-4 to V6

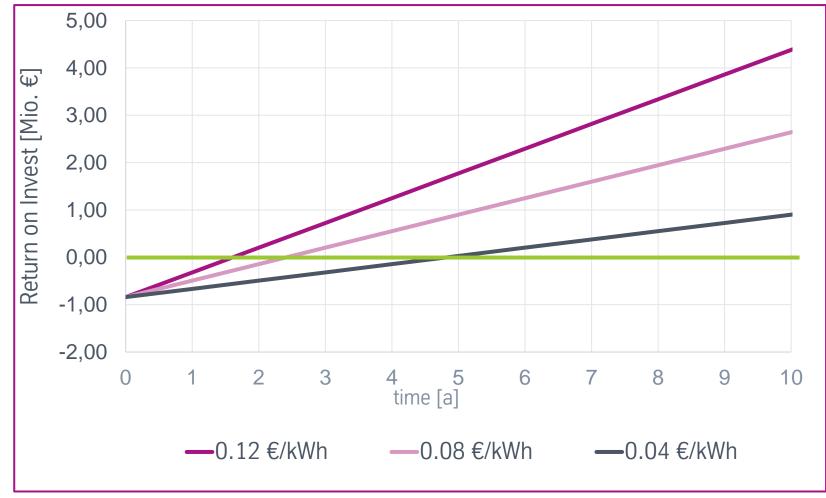
Comparison between recoating and element exchange



Go to V6 after second cycle and save more than 150 kWh/t_{NaOH}.

Benefit of early change from v4 to v6

Return on Invest (ROI) for different power prices



ROI for additional cost for v6 compared to recoating costs between 1.5 to 4.5 years + Availability.



Example: 1 Electrolyzer, 150 elements; Element price: 16,000 €, Recoating price:10,400 €; Operating hours: 8300 h/a; CE 95%; CD 6 kA/m²,

Cellroom revamping from SE Gen. V3-V4 to V6

Revamp strategies beyond element exchange

Mandatory revamps

- Rack modification: Exchange upper beam for elements on rolls
- Crosscheck heating system and implementation additional feed line depending on execution concept

Bypass concept

Replace rack pressing system

Optional modular revamps

Capacity Expansion
Package
(Debottlenecking)

Trafo Rectifier Check

Busbar Check

Equipment Check in Brine,
Catholyte, H2 and CL2 System

N2 Purge Concept

Challenging Head Tank concept

Header concept

Plant Health Check

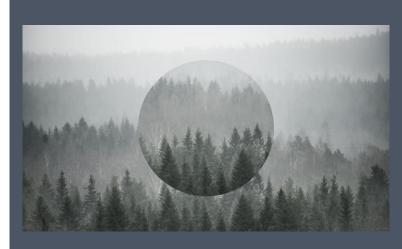
Supported by thyssenkrupp nucera revamp experts.

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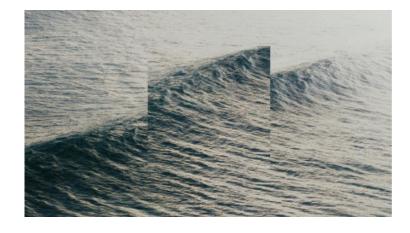
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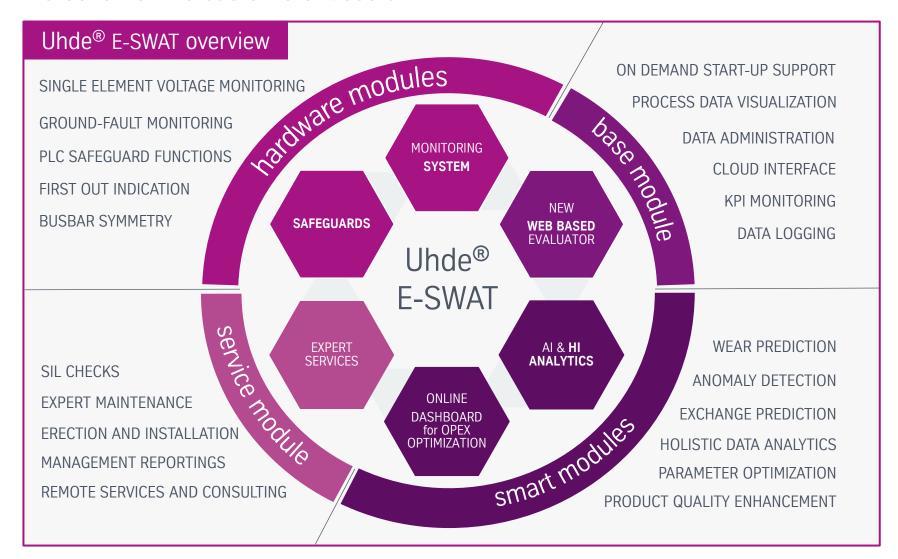


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Uhde® E-SWAT at a glance

Protection of the customers' assets

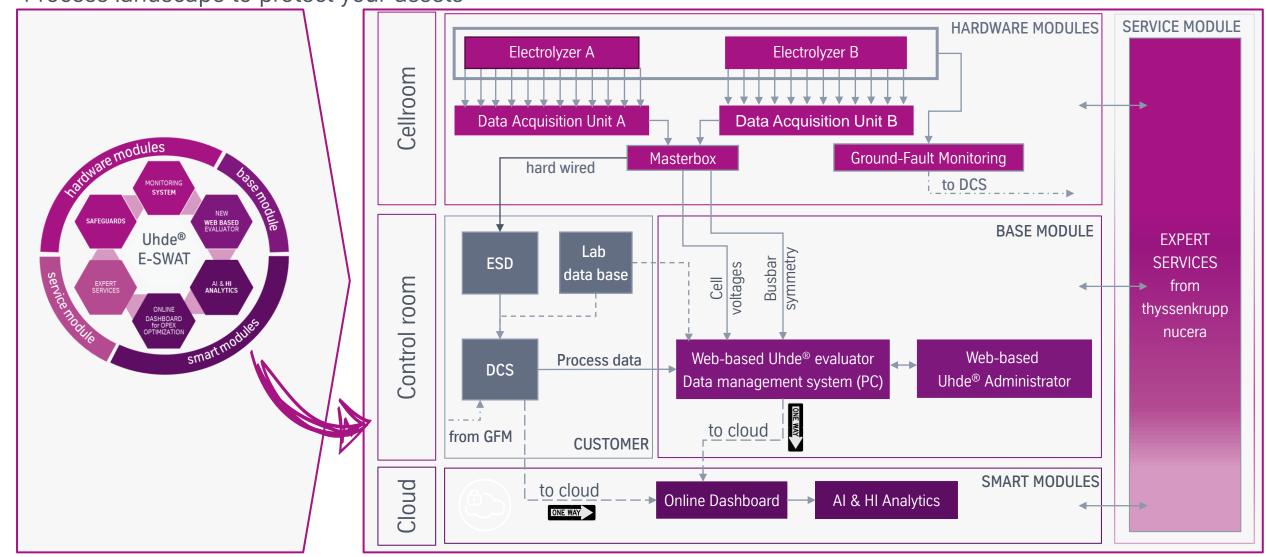


Uhde® E-SWAT key facts

- Modular product
- Available up to SIL 2 or exzone if requested
- Web-Based Uhde[®]
 Evaluator heart of Uhde[®]
 E-SWAT
- Harmonized with customers IT infrastructure
- Easy integration
- Reliable to protect you assets

Uhde® E-SWAT – Easy to integrate

Process landscape to protect your assets

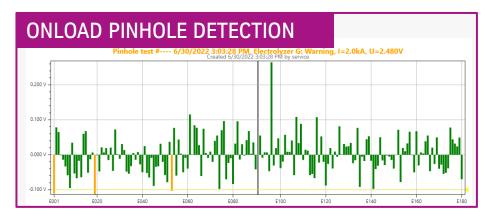


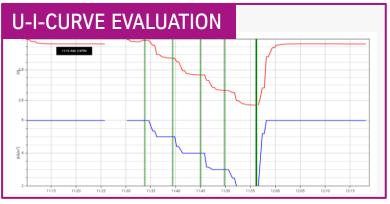
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Details & characteristic









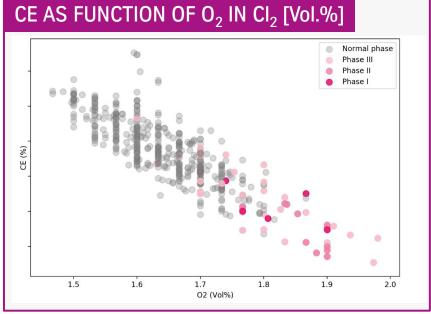
Offline Web-browser application

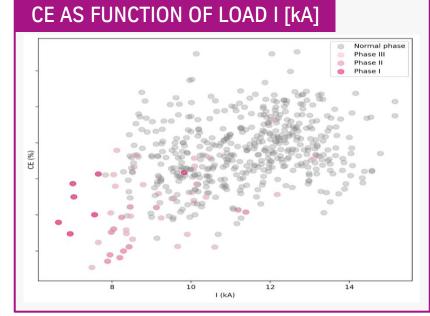
- Multiple operating systems
- Fast and simple
- Flexible
- Easy accessible
- Remote office solutions
- Blazing fast historic data access

Uhde® E-SWAT - Smart Modules

Case Study: Frequent Current Efficiency drops







Evaluation

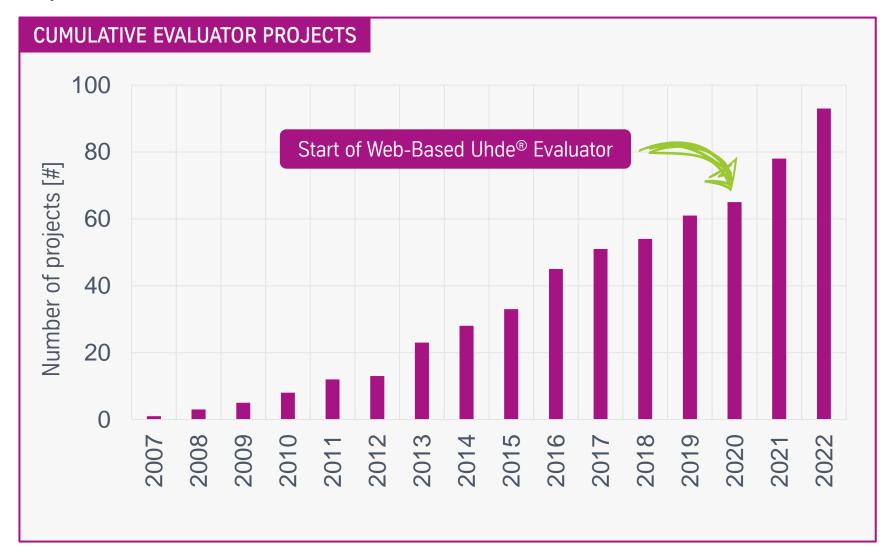
- 22 GB raw data tags
- data scientists found correlation by using PCA method
- thyssenkrupp nucera expert validated PCA and confirmed correlation

Result

- Dependency of CE on current I
- Optimize load distribution
- Increased efficiency
- Reduced OpEx

Uhde® E-SWAT - Web-Based Uhde® Evaluator

Project overview



Web-Based Uhde® Evaluator projects for

- New-built
- Revamp project
- Stand-alone projects

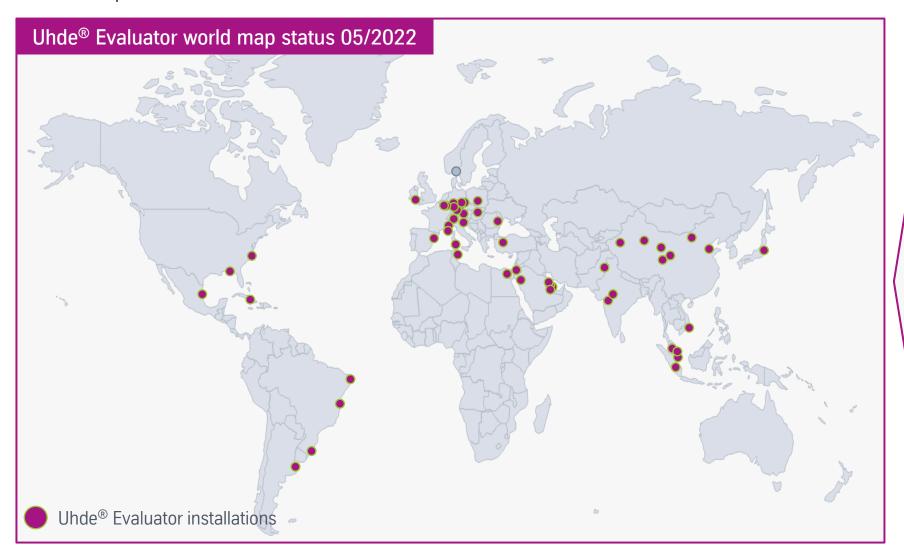
Language packs

• +10 and on demand

Technology platforms

 For BM, BiTAC, HCI-ODC, AWE

Uhde® E-SWAT - Web-Based Uhde® Evaluator World map



- Present in 26 countries on 4 continents
- Best in class for protecting our BM, BiTAC, HCI-ODC and AWE technology platforms
- As technology provider best technology expert

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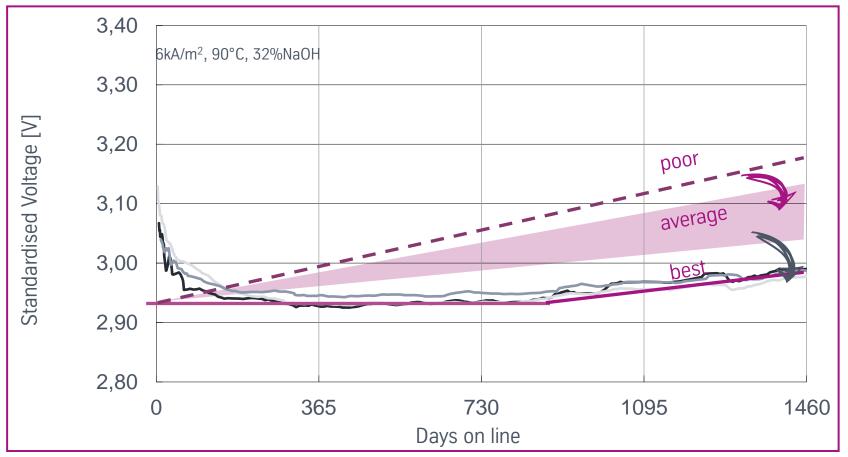


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Remote Services – Performances

Comparison of plant performances – Standardized Voltage



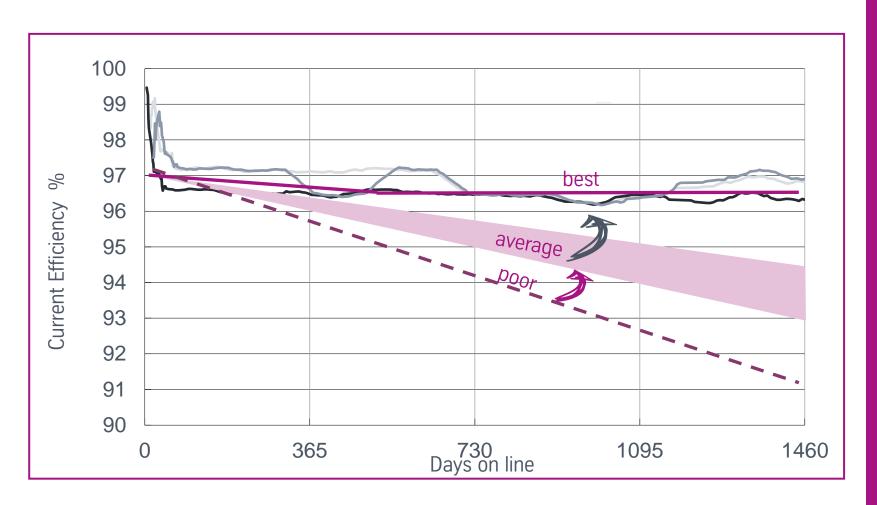
*680 t/day NaOH 100% production capacity

Saving potential

- Poor to average: 1.6 MW*
- Average to best: 1.8 MW*

Remote Services - Performances

Comparison of plant performances – Current Efficiency



Power consumption



Membrane lifetime

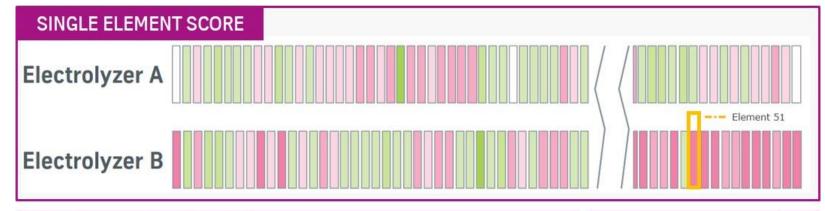


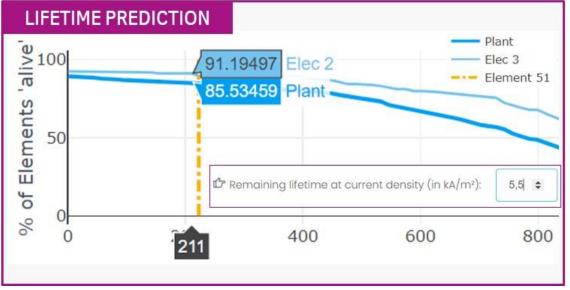
Product quality



Remote Conditions Monitoring

RCM – Smart Module ONLINE DASHBOARD



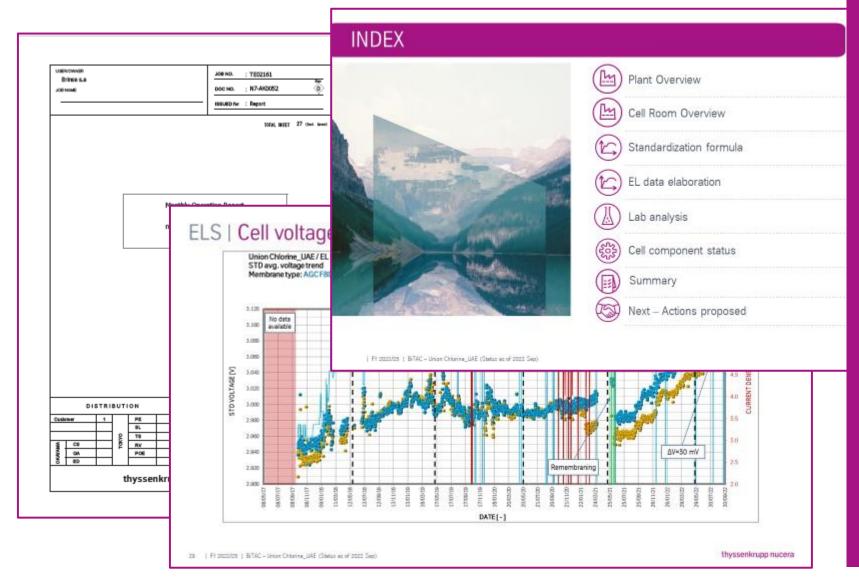




Predictive Maintenance with economic evaluation:

- Plan your maintenance activities properly
- Decision guidance to exchange bad performing element or wait until next opportunity
- Money saving

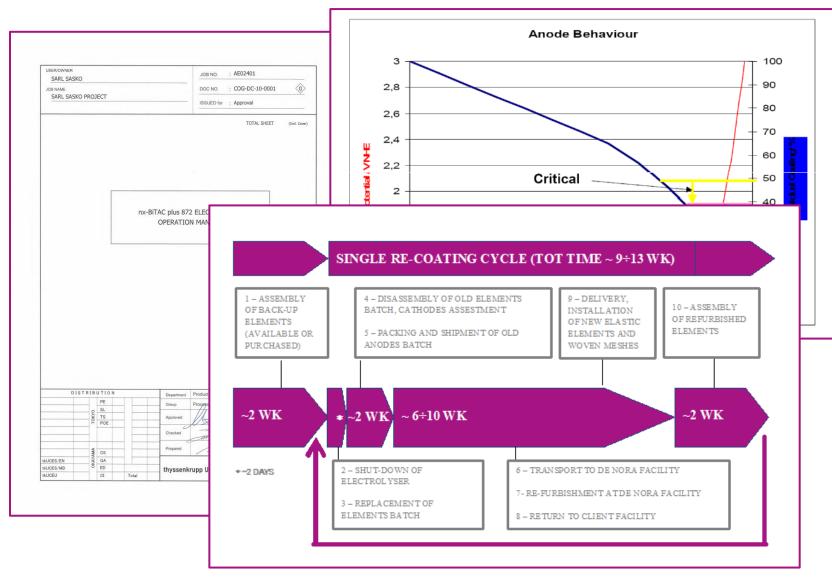
Reporting



Key points covered in the periodical reports:

- Plant operating data elaboration and analysis
- Plant monitoring and lab analysis data assessment
- Interaction and coordination of key partners: membrane manufacturers, cell suppliers and coating manufacturers, ...
- Joint planning of electrolysers remembraning and recoating activities

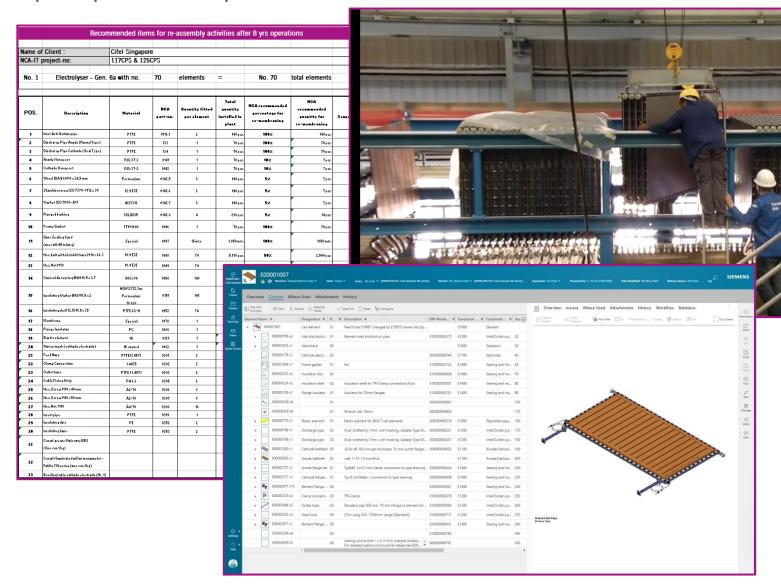
On-site surveys



Key points covered during plant surveys:

- Joint review of Electrolysers status and Balance of Plant
- Routine questions (cellroom, balance of plant, ...)
- Plant monitoring and lab analysis, units troubleshooting
- Training of new operators
- Technology review and update on existing issues / undergoing projects

Spare parts and optional services



Main features:

- Fast identification of parts.
- Pre-developed guidelines for preventive and emergency maintenances
- Tailor made spare parts list with supply directly at site at pre-defined terms
- Plant operators and shift managers training
- Analysis of salt, filtered brine, ultra-pure brine
- Uhde® Evaluator SW and HW maintenance
- Specific on-site interventions for trouble-shooting, supervision

Summary of the main features

- RCM Remote
 Condition Monitoring
- On-site surveys & Assessments
- On-site training

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- Spare parts service
- Optional services

FIELD SERVICE PACKAGE

- Data transfer of main electrolyzer / plant operating parameters via mail / electronic files): periodical reporting according to NCA standard format, frequency to be agreed.
- 2-3 days on-site per year in a period of mutual convenience to be mutually agreed.
- 1-2 days on-site per year (focus: Electrolyser operating procedures) in a period of convenience to be mutually agreed.
- Storage of proprietary equipment accessories, excluding: bipolar/endterminals, membranes and consumables for scheduled / unscheduled maintenance and delivered at site according to pre-agreed terms.
- To be evaluated case by case according to the effective needs and specific situation.

- Typically twice per year
- Typically once / twice per year
- Typically once per year
- Details for relevant supply terms (typically by dedicated P.O.) TBD
- Pre-defined options
- Tailor-made options
- Price and other commercial aspects to be detailed in a dedicated contract.
- Minimum duration is one year, with automatic renewal every year up to a maximum of four years.
- Possibility to evaluate specific needs on request.

CONCLUSIONS



Technology upgrade

 Possibility to enhance plant operations by means of dedicated projects involving thyssenkrupp nucera specialists.



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2. New functionalities are available to support plant trouble-shooting and optimization of operating parameters both by plant technicians and in cooperation with thyssenkrupp nucera specialists.



Remote & Field Services

3. Extended cooperation multi-years agreements can be implemented with thyssenkrupp nucera having customized features and tailormade services based on the effective needs of each plant.



