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Cases of Sector Coupling provided by:











500 000 Customers

Cases of sector coupling

- Esplanade Park Heat Pump Plant
- Katri Vala Heat Pump Plant
- Kilpilahti excess heat project
- Waste Heat recovery from Paulig
- Vuosaari Heat Pump project
- City refinery
 - **Open District Heat**
 - Mustikkamaa Heat storage
 - Seasonal heat storage in Kruunuvuorenranta
 - Virtual batteries

HELEN

HELEN

Four-time winner of the

Global District Energy Awards

Esplanade Park Heat Pump Plant

Excess heat from buildings

HEAT PUMP Heating Cooling







Case type

Equipment

Installed capacity

Economics

Business model

Saved emissions

Utilization

Final product

Receiver

Waste heat management

2 heat pumps

District heat: 22MW

District cooling: 15MW

Cooling storage: 35MW

CAPEX > 10 M euro

Sale of the district heating and cooling

20 000 tons of carbon dioxide yearly

Excess heat from buildings and 7.6 MW of electric power

Heating and cooling

Residential and commercial customers in the city of Helsinki

https://www.helen.fi/en/news/2018/underground-heating-and-cooling-plant-utilises-waste-heat

Katri Vala Heat Pump Plant

Excess heat from buildings

Heat from purified sewage water

HEAT PUMP Heating

Cooling





Case type

Equipment

Installed capacity

Economics

Business model

Saved emissions

Utilization

Final product

Receiver

Electrici

Waste heat management

5 heat pumps

District heat: 105MW

District cooling: 70MW

CAPEX > 20 M euro

Sale of the district heating and cooling

150 000 tons of carbon dioxide yearly

Excess heat from buildings, purified sewage water and 30 MW of electric power

Heating and cooling

Residential and commercial customers in the city of Helsinki

https://www.helen.fi/en/news/2018/newheatpump

Kilpilahti excess heat project (planning phase)

Neste and Borealis Kilpilahti, Porvoo

Excess industrial heat

40 km PIPE And HEAT PUMP



Helsinki, Espoo, Kerava No investment decisions done yet





Receiver



Case type and involved parties Waste heat management (Neste, Helen, Borealis, Fortum, and Keravan Energia)

Equipment 40km pipe

Capacity 3 TWh of heat

Economics CAPEX: 700 – 1,000 M euro

Business model To be decided

Utilization Excess industrial heat from Neste and Borealis plants

Final product Heating and cooling

Residential and commercial customers in the city of Helsinki

https://www.helen.fi/en/news/2020/kilpilahti2

Waste Heat recovery from Paulig

Coffee

Paulig coffee roastery

Excess industrial heat

HEAT PUMP









HELEN

Case type

Utilization

Capacity

Receiver

Waste heat management

Excess industrial heat from Paulig coffee roastery

Heat for 1 000 two-room apartments

Residential and commercial customers in the city of Helsinki

https://www.pauliggroup.com/news/waste-heat-recovery-in-a-coffee-roastery

Vuosaari Heat Pump project (2020 – 2022)

Excess/Process heat from CHP plant

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Sea water heat

HEAT PUMP Heating

Cooling





Case type

Equipment

Installed capacity

Economics

Business model

Saved emissions

Utilization

Final product

Receiver

Waste and seawater heat management

Heat pumps (construction 2020 – 2022 in use)

District heat: 13MW

District cooling: 9.5MW

CAPEX > 15 M euro

Sale of the district heating and cooling

30 000 tons of carbon dioxide yearly

20% of the heat from the seawater and 80% of excess heat from Vuosaari Power Plant

Heating and cooling

Residential and commercial customers in the city of Helsinki

https://www.helen.fi/en/news/2019/heat-pump-sea-water-heat-vuosaari

City Refinery (Helen, Lassila & Tikanoja, VTT)

Materials unsuitable for mechanical recycling

Residual biomass from forestry and agriculture



Case type

Equipment

Economics

Business model

Utilization

Final product

Receiver

Recycled plastics

Transport fuels

Heat



Gasification

No investment decisions done yet



Waste materials management

Gasifier

CAPEX: 7.9 M euro from MEAE for the demo stage

Sale of materials, fuels and district heating

Biomass and materials unsuitable for mechanical processing

Raw materials for industry, transport fuels, recycled plastics, 5MW of heat

Residential, commercial and industrial customers in Finland

https://www.helen.fi/en/news/2019/city-refinery-meae-aid

District heating market - open DH

Waste heat from customers

HEAT PUMP and other technologies



Cooling





Case type

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Equipment

Business model

Utilization

Final product

Receiver

Waste heat management

Heat pumps

Purchase and sale of the district heating

Waste heat from buildings of private, commercial and industrial customers

Heating

Residential, commercial and industrial customers in the city of Helsinki

https://www.helen.fi/en/news/2018/open district heat

Mustikkamaa rock cavern heat storage



District heat

HEAT STORAGE







Case type

Equipment

Installed capacity

Economics

Business model

Saved emissions

Utilization

Final product

Receiver

Heat storage (construction 2019 – 2021 in use)

Rock cavern storage (260 000m3), pumps, heat exchangers and water

Heat charging/discharging: 120 MW, 11.6 GWh/4 days, annual heat storage 140 GWh

CAPEX: 15 M euro

Heat storage and utilization

21 000 tons of carbon dioxide yearly

District heat

Heating

Residential and commercial customers in the city of Helsinki

https://www.helen.fi/en/news/2018/construction-of-rock-cavern-heat-storage-facility-starts

Seasonal heat storage in Kruunuvuorenranta

Buildings Cooling

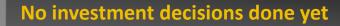
HEAT PUMPS AND ABSORPTION CHILLERS

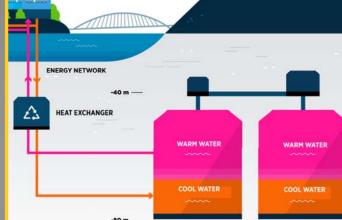
Excess heat

Sea water

HEAT PUMPS + HEAT **STORAGE**

Heating







Case type

Equipment

Installed capacity

Business model

Utilization

Final product

Receiver

Seasonal heat storage

Two rock cavern storages (300 000m3), pumps, heat exchangers and seawater

3 MW, annual production 6-7 GWh

Heat storage and utilization

Heat from sea water

Heating

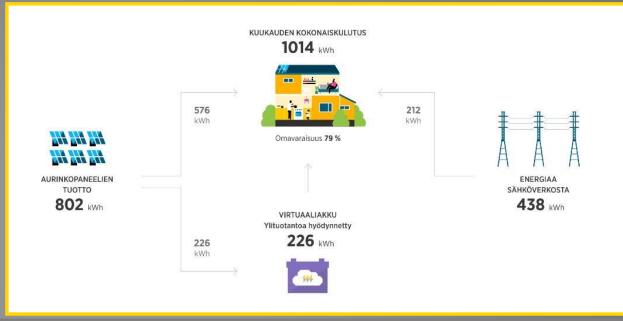
Residential and commercial customers in the city of Helsinki

https://www.helen.fi/en/news/2018/seasonal-energy-storage-facility-is-planned-for-the-kruunuvuorenranta-rock-caverns

Virtual battery for solar PV panels



Case type
Benefit to customers
Average surplus production
Business model
Yearly benefits for customer
Other benefits



Electricity storage provided by Helen to owners of Solar PV panels 100% advantage from the production of electricity via solar PV panels Around 30% of electricity produced by solar PV panels Monthly fee

5 kWp panel package in a single-family house can yield in 166 euros per year New monitoring system for customers and first-year virtual battery free of charge

https://www.helen.fi/en/news/2019/virtual-battery-solar-panels



Name of the company

Virta

Helsinki, Finland

www.virta.global

Business type

The electric vehicle charging company

Size of the company

100 Employees

10 M€ Net Sales

300 B2B**, 100.000** B2C Customers

Electric vehicle charging

Electricity for charging & needs for grid power balancing

Virta Charger

Charging/ Discharging Electric Vehicle



Case type

Installed capacity

Economics

Business model

Utilization

Final product

Receiver

EV charging solutions, V2X (vehicle-to-x), smart charging, energy market services and providing infrastructure

Around 20 000 chargers

Value of connected infrastructure 100 Million Eur

Providing the platform, software solutions and infrastructure for charging EVs

Millions of charging events annually in 30 countries. Power of charging reflects to the size of a power plant (dozens of Megawatts).

Propulsion (drive), demand response. Virta EV driver mobile app, charging station management platform and aggregation platform

Private and commercial consumers (B2B and B2C)



Fortum Oyj

Espoo, Finland

Energy Production Company

8 108 Employees

5 447 M€ Net Sales

1 191 M€ profit

www.fortum.com



- Kilpilahti waste heat management
- Suomenoja heat pump
- Datacenters of Tieto and Elisa in Espoo
- Kirkkonummi datacenter
 - Pilot project of Elenia in Kuru, Finland

efortum

Fortum Spring virtual battery

In planning: Kilpilahti waste heat management

Neste and Borealis Kipilahti, Porvoo

Excess industrial heat

40 km PIPE



Helsinki, Espoo, Kerava







Case type and involved parties	Waste heat management (Neste, Fortum, Borealis, Helen, and Keravan Energia)
Equipment	40km pipe
Capacity	1 GW of heat
Economics	CAPEX: 700 – 1,000 M euro
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Business model Sale of the district heating

Utilization Excess industrial heat from Neste and Borealis plants

Final product Heating

Receiver Residential and commercial customers

Completion est. Investment decisions have not been done yet

https://www.fortum.fi/media/2019/06/fortum-mukana-selvityksessa-kilpilahden-hukkalampo-voisi-kattaa-noin-neljanneksen-paakaupunkiseudun-kaukolammon-tarpeesta

Case type

Equipment

Installed capacity

Economics

Business model

Heat source

Final product

Receiver

Completion est.

Suomenoja heat pump

Wastewater heat

HEAT PUMP Heating

Distric heating







Heat pumps

40 MW (60 MW in 2021)

CAPEX: 8 M€

District heat production and sales

Waste heat from HSY wastewater treatment plant

Heating and cooling

Customers connected to the Espoo DH Network

40MW in operation presently, additional 20MW will be commissioned in Spring 2021

https://www.fortum.fi/media/2019/05/fortumille-uusi-lampopumppuyksikko-suomenojalle-hiilineutraalin-kaukolammontuotannon-osuus-nousee-yli-50-prosenttiin-vuonna-2022

Datacenters of Tieto and Elisa in Espoo

Waste heat HEAT PUMP

Heating he

District heating

Cooling

Data-center



Case type

Equipment

Production capacity

Business model

Heat source

Final product

Receiver

Waste heat from datacenters

2 heat pumps

20 GWh/annum of heat

Sales of district heat and provide cooling to the datacenter

Waste heat from datacenters of Tieto and Elisa

Heating and cooling

Customers connected to the Espoo DH Network

https://www.fortum.fi/datakeskusten-hukkalampo-kaukolammoksi

In planning: Kirkkonummi datacenter

Waste heat

HEAT PUMP Heating

Distric heating

Cooling

tricity

Data-center



Case type

fortum

Equipment

Installed capacity

Economics

Business model

Heat source

Final product

Receiver

Completion est.

Waste heat from new datacenter

Heat pumps

250 MW

CAPEX > 2 000 M€ (incl. data center)

Sale of district heat and provide cooling to the datacenter

Heat from the datacenter

Heating and cooling

DH customers in the capital region

Investment decisions have not been done yet

 $\underline{https://www.fortum.fi/tietoa-meista/blogi/forenergy/suuren-datakeskuksen-hukkalampo-voisi-lammittaa-suuren-osan-espoota-hiilineutraalisti$

Pilot project of Elenia in Kuru, Finland

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Case type
Installed capacity
Operating time
Business model

Utilization

Final product

Receiver





Battery service

300 kWp (71 kW average), 220 kWh

3 hours (with full battery)

Battery service to Elenia and FRC-N to Fingrid

The battery is used approximately 100h annually to provide electricity during power outages and rest of the year for frequency control

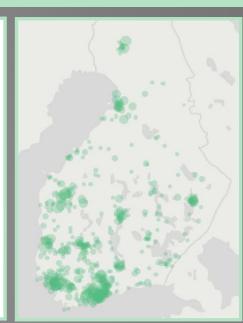
Electrical storage capacity with automatic isolation connected to 100 customers (mainly summer cottages)

Elenia and Fingrid

https://www.elenia.fi/uutiset/fortum-ja-elenia-rakentavat-s%C3%A4hk%C3%B6n-varastointia-s%C3%A4hk%C3%B6j%C3%A4rjestelm%C3%A4n-tasapainon-yll%C3%A4pitoon-ja

Fortum Spring virtual battery





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Case type
Installed capacity

Business model

Final product

Receiver

Virtual battery

2000 customers

Selling capacity of customers to the grid operator while providing smart demand response

Smart control of grid connected devices

Energy customers all over Finland

https://www.fortum.com/products-and-services/smart-energy-solutions/virtual-battery-spring

Sustainable Energy Solutions

Name of the company	Business type	Size of the company
Suomen Teollisuuden Energiapalvelut - STEP Oy	Energy Services, Energy Production	41 Employees
Pori, Finland		39,2 M€ Revenue
www.stepenergy.veolia.fi		2,9 M€ Profit

STEP

Sustainable Energy Solutions

Sector coupling cases:

Harjavalta Industrial Park

Koskenkorva Bioenergy plant – circular economy

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Hankkija animal feed production

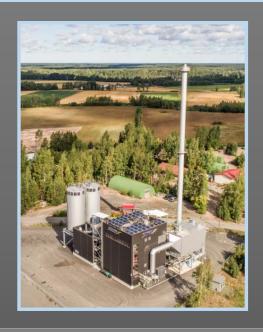
Findest Protein factory (Honkajoki)



Harjavalta Industrial Park









Case type
Equipment and
utilization
Business model
CO2 reduction
Receiver

Energy production coupled with industrial park (factories) and residentials

Biosteam boiler: 30 MW, Steam boilers: 10+13+20+21 MW (biogas, natural gas, light fuel oil), bioheat boiler: 3MW (wood pellets), heat recovery boilers: 12+20+24 MW, steam turbine: 6,3 MWe

Production and sale of steam, process heat, district heat, compressed air, process water and electricity

70 000 tons of CO2 from industrial park

Factories (Nornickel, Boliden, Aga Ab, Yara Oy, Valtasiirto Oy) and city of Harjavalta

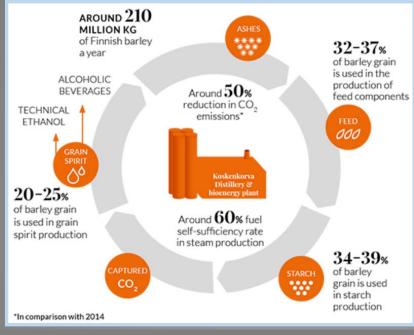
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Koskenkorva Bioenergy plant – circular economy





Case type
Equipment and
utilization
Capacity
Business model
Receiver





Energy production coupled with food industry
Biosteam: 10MW (barley husks, woodchips), CFB: 20MW (milled peat, oat husks), backup boiler: 15MW (HFO, sulphur=0.5%)
220 000 MWh annual production
Sale of the process steam, compressed air, process water
Altia's Koskenkorva distillery and A-Rehu

https://www.stepenergy.veolia.fi/sites/g/files/dvc3531/files/document/2018/11/STEP_esite2018_en.pdf



Hankkija animal feed production



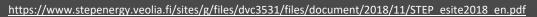




Case type **Equipment and** utilization **Business model** Receiver

Energy production coupled with animal feed production 2.5MW biosteam boiler (oat husks, peat, woodchips) and 3MW backup boiler (light fuel oil) Production and sale of the steam to Hankkija's feed mill and district heat

Hankkija Oy (Animal Feed producer) in Seinäjoki





Findest Protein (Honkajoki)





Case type
Equipment and
utilization
Business model
Receiver



Energy production coupled with food industry (protein production)

4 MW biosteam boiler (bark, sawdust, peat, woodchips) and

8 MW backup boiler (LPG, light fuel oil)

Production and sale of the steam and burning of odorous gases

Findest Protein factory

https://www.stepenergy.veolia.fi/sites/g/files/dvc3531/files/document/2018/11/STEP esite2018 en.pdf

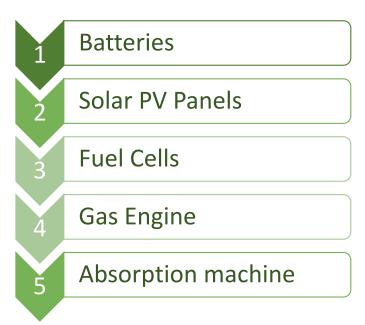




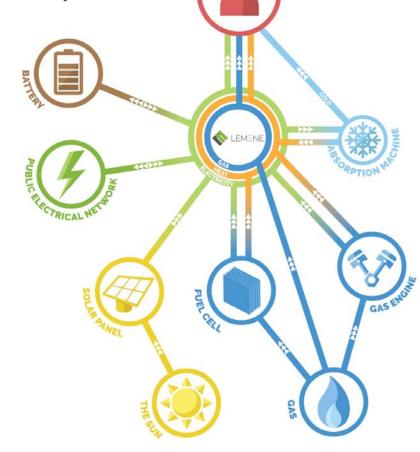


Name of the company	Business type	Company details
Lempäälän Energia Oy		Established in 1973
Lempäälä, Finland	Energy Company	
<u>www.lempaalanenergia.fi</u>		1 – 2 M€ Revenue

A self-sufficient and intelligent energy system in Marjamäki industry area (Lempäälä).







Batteries







Case type

Equipment

Capacity

Function

Receiver

Electricity storage

Two batteries

1.6MWh (2.4MW charge/discharge) and 1.3MWh (1.6MW charge/discharge)

Storing of excess electricity, grid stabilization, increasing the system efficiency

Marjamäki industry area

https://www.esitteemme.fi/lemene/WebView

Solar PV panels







Case type	Electricity production
Equipment	Solar panels
Capacity	4MW
Receiver	Marjamäki industry area

https://www.esitteemme.fi/lemene/WebView

Fuel Cells





Receiver

Case type Electricity production

Equipment Two fuel cells units from Convion

Capacity 130 kW (65 each unit)

Utilization Methane (Biogas/Natural gas)

Marjamäki industry area

https://www.esitteemme.fi/lemene/WebView

Gas engine







Case type

Equipment

Capacity

Utilization

Receiver

Electricity production

6 engines

8.1 MW in total

Methane (Biogas/Natural gas)

Marjamäki industry area

https://www.esitteemme.fi/lemene/WebView

Absorption machine







Case type Equipment

Capacity

Utilization

Additional production

Receiver

Providing cooling Absorption chiller

600 kW in total

Electricity

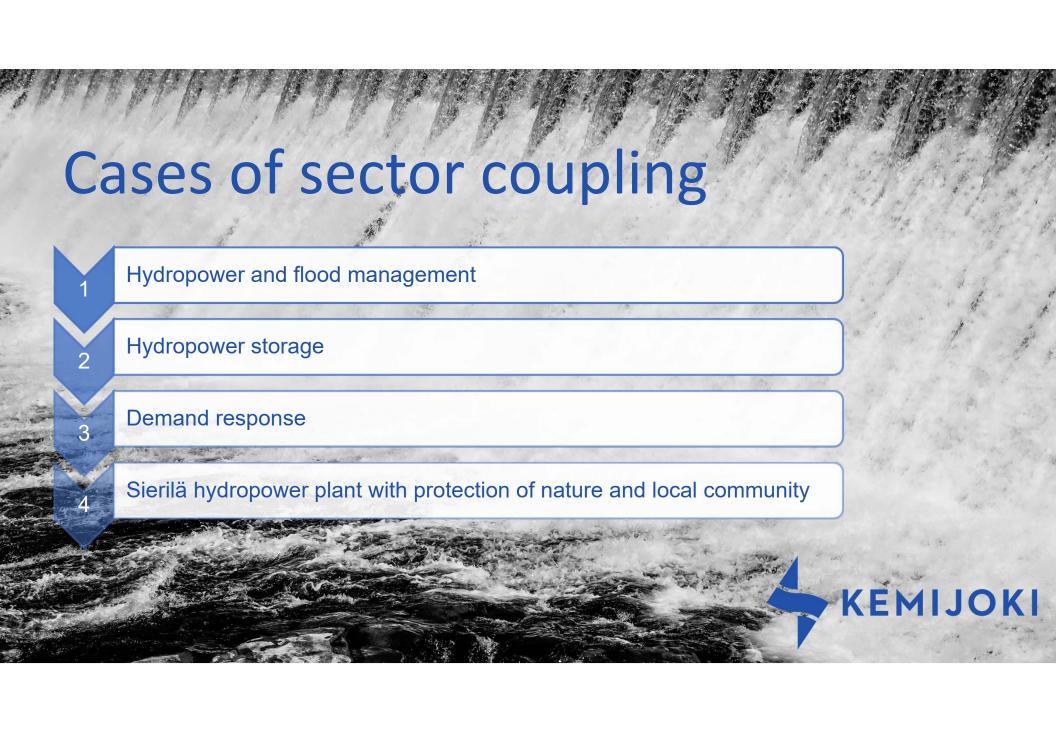
Heat

Marjamäki industry area

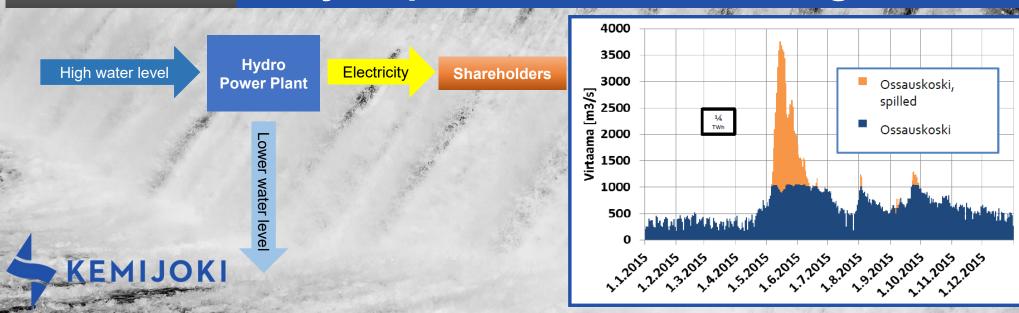
https://www.esitteemme.fi/lemene/WebView

https://www.york.com/-/media/york/absorption-chillers/yhaucej-multienergy.png?la=en&hash=820EE2C78A349C02D6152D8BDBE658990D54E00B





Hydropower and flood management



Case type
Installed capacity

Economics

Business model

Utilization

Final product

Receiver

Production of hydropower and flood management 1.1GW of hydropower

CAPEX: <2000 EUR per kW of production capacity

Sale of electricity to the shareholders + sale of ancillary services to TSO

4.5TWh flexible production

Electricity

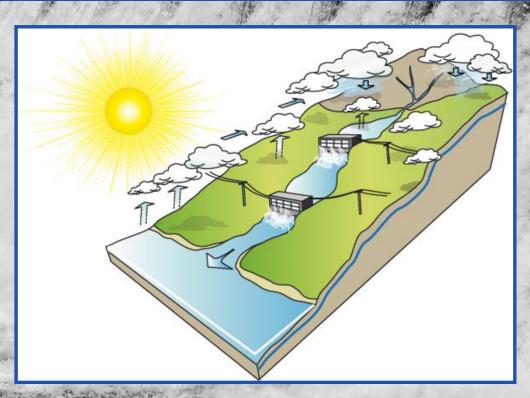
Shareholders

Hydropower storage

The hydrologic cycle

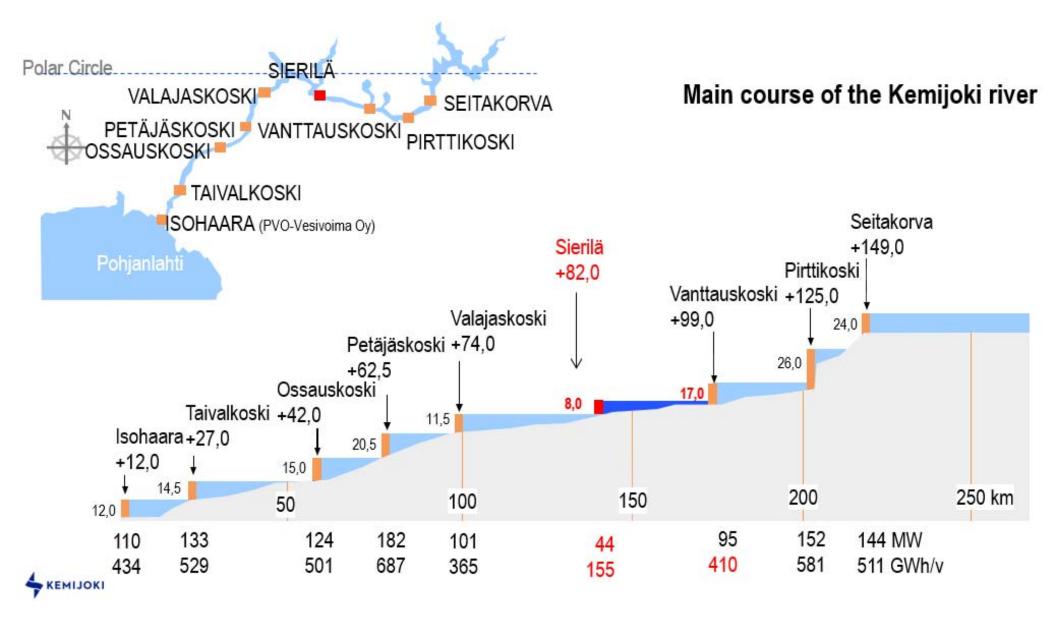
Hydro Power Plant

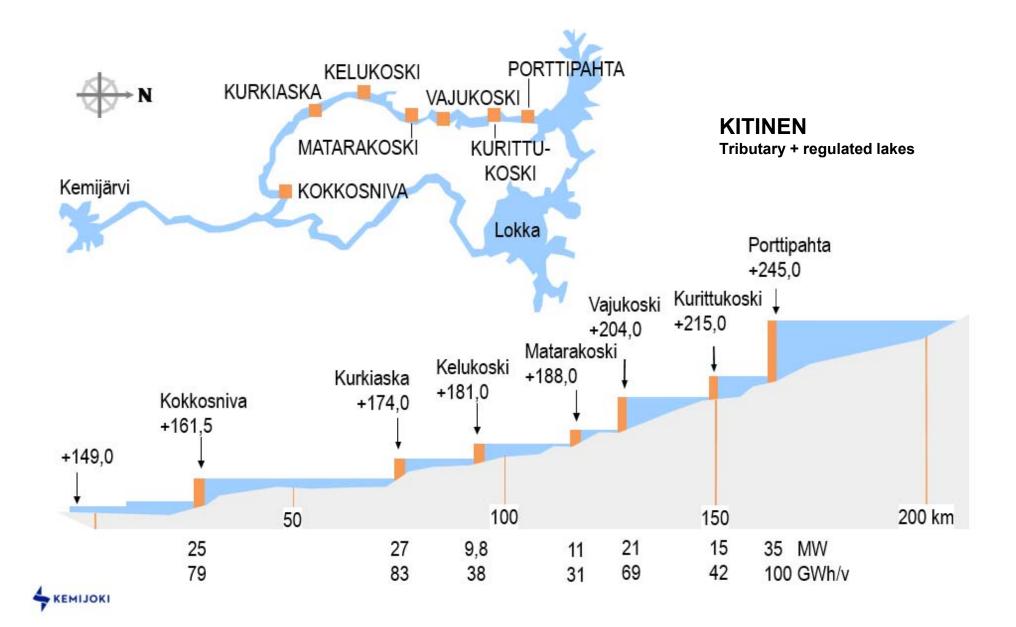
High water level
level
level

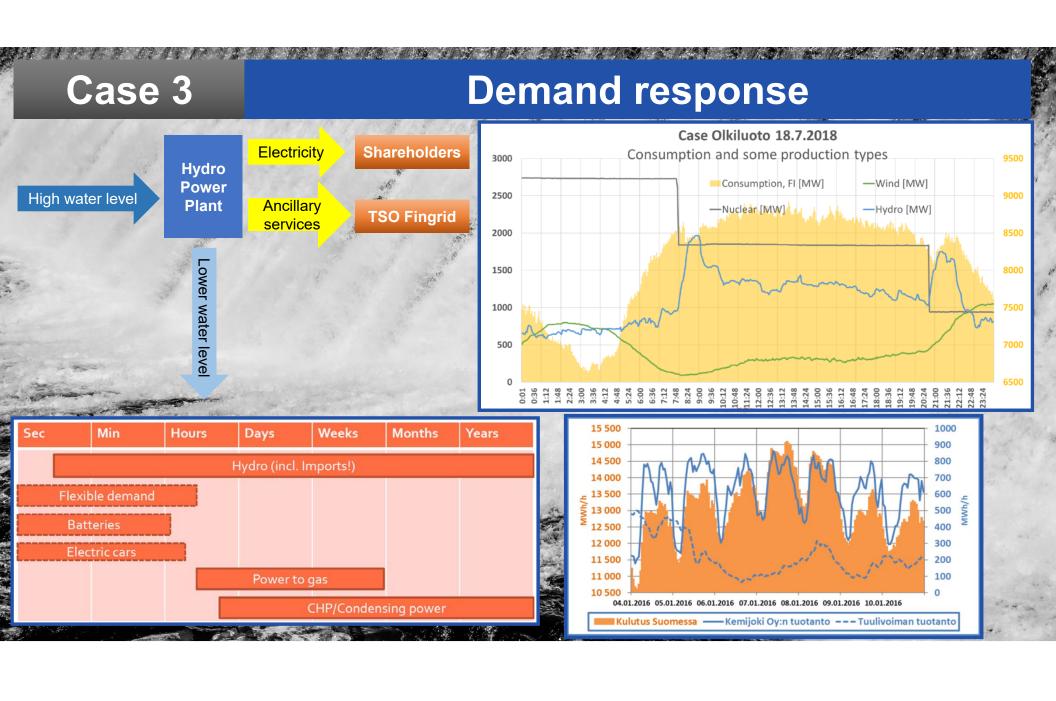


Case type
Installed capacity

Excess energy storage 1TWh of water storage (~3,6km³), 500GWh of loss (during the floods)



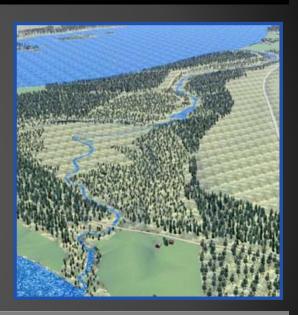




Sierilä hydropower plant with protection of nature and local community

Project in a planning phase

- Concerning landscape and vegetation, area around Sieriläcurrently resembles the original main channel of the river Kemijoki, partially affected by settlement and other human activities.
- Kemijoki has drafted diverse action plans to mitigate the impact on recreational use and the environment:
 - 1. In the plans: bank protection for a 17-kilometer distance in total.
 - 2. Landscaping in 16 places, boat launching places, mooring places and swimming places.
 - 3. Building and restoring compensatory habitats, transporting endangered species to new areas.
- ➤ The planned natural Mukkaoja diversion channel would make it possible for fish to migrate over the dam. Preparations to build a fish pass are also a part of planning the structures of the power plant.



Production of hydropower coupled with nature protection and recreation
44 MW
CAPEX: ~3500 EUR per kW of production capacity
Sale of electricity to the shareholders
155GWh yearly
Electricity

Challenges and opportunities related to regulations

Heat and electricity aspects

- Electricity tax has a considerable impact on the cost-effectiveness of the heat pumps. Could this be copied to other heat production methods using electricity that produce heat to the district heating system?
- Status of waste/excess heat: renewable or not?
- Electic boilers would be a good addition as renewable electricity production increases. They could offer a way to store emissionless electricity to heat. Problem is that they cause peaks that do not necessarily last for long periods. Power charge wreck viability of electric boilers.
- Also important to address the tax treatment of
 - Heat pumps that are in connection to district heating network
 - Waste heat

Electric vehicles and chargers

- Taxation, in many countries e.g. double electricity taxation inhibits or even stops the market takeoff for V2G technology.
- Electricity tax and grid tariff should incentivize for flexibility. Variable tariffs should be considered.
- The regulation model often supports DSOs to do investments for cables instead of having smart solutions which increases OPEX. This needs to be changed.
- Lack of smart metering and settlement no dynamic products are existing for retail customers.
- Electricity market participation is done for big power plants. Minimum bid size is too big and e.g. in many places data requirements are the same for 1 charging point and big power plant this financially stops the business.
- Aggregation is unknown or impossible. Small resources won't participate in markets if this is not possible. Aggregation from different balances should be adopted more widely to unlock potential.

Additional materials

Report

Sector Coupling Outlook and practical application The Greenlink group Yuri Kroyan Heidi Harle Lauri Holopainen Tero Kolvunen Niko Korpela Totti Nurmi

https://energia.fi/julkaisut/materiaalipankki/greenlink_sectory_coupling_the_final_report.html#material-view_

Outcomes



Identified pathways and potentials for sector coupling.



MODEL

Developed dynamic model for entire Finland – possibilities of creating and testing other scenarios.

Sector Coupling Pathways and Potentials

T Transport
Industry

R Residential

C Commercia

P Fuel production

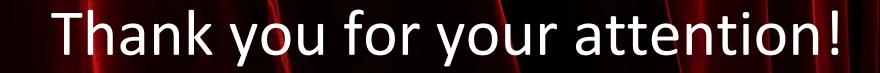
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Energy source		Option		Feedstocks or	Con	version	Total	Examples of costs			
Examples	Generation			additions	General	Infrastructure	Efficiency	CAPEX	End product	End-use	
Wind		P2X	Power to Gas	H2O	Electrochemical	Electrolysis	70 - 95%	750 - 1200 €/kW	H2	T, I, FP	
Solar PV	Electricity	FZA	100001 10 343	CO2, H2, heat	Chemical	Methanation	70 - 80%	800 - 1200 €/kW	Me thane	T, I, R, C, FP	
Hydro		P2H	Power to	He at source	Mechanical	Heat pump	200-700%	610 k€/MW	Heat	I, R, C, FP	
Biomass		, _,,	heat	-	Electrical	Large electric	>99%	190 k€/MW	11000	1,11,0,0,11	
Nuclear			Potential	Infrastructure		Pumped hydro	75-85 %	150 €/ k W h			
Hydrogen FC			_	enengy	-	Mechanical	CAES	70-89 %	400 - 1200 €/kW		
Peak shaving		Storage	Kinetic	-		Flywheels	93-95 %	500-2000 €/kW	Electricity T	T, I, R, C, FP	
MSW			Batteries	Electrolyte	Chemical	Industrial batteries		1000 - 3000 €/kW			
						Vehicle to Grid	70-90 %	0,05 €/kWh (el)		F:	
Air		H2X	and liquids			Digestion	20 - 70%	8-100 €/ k W h		T, I, R, C, FP	
Geothermal				Bi omass		Landfill gas (LFG)	50 - 99%				
Waste		41.000.00				Fermentation	80 - 90%		Bioethanol	T, I, C, FP	
Metal refining		H2H	Heat to heat	Electricity	Thermal	Heat pump	200-700%	610 €/kW	Heat	I, R, C, FP	
Chemical industry	Heat		Sensible heat	H2O	Thermal	Liquids	50 - 90%	0.1-10 €/ k W h		I, R, C, FP	
Food industry					(change of	Solids					
Nuclear		Storage	Latent he at	Phase Change Materials (PCM)	Thermal (phase change)	PCM: Solids-Liquid	75 - 90%				
Solar thermal						PCM: Liquid-Gas					
Biomass					arange,	PCM: Solid-Solid					
Hydrogen	X (materials)		-	Gas to Power	H2, CH4	Thermal and	Fuel cells	25 - 35%	6000 €/kW	Electricity and	T, I, R, C
Methane		X2P	iquid to Powe		t electrochemical	Combustion	20 - 51%	500 k€/MW	propulsion		
Hydrocarbons			Solid to Power	MSW, biochar		Combustion	30 - 80%	1m€/MW	Electr.and heat	T, I, R, C	
Biomass		als)	X to biocrude		Thermocemical conversion	Gasification	75%	625 €/ton (annual)	Gaseous, liquid and solid fuels	T, I, R, C, FP	
Lignin						Pyrolysis	35 - 40%	815 €/ton (annual)			
Vegetable wastes	(macerials)	X2X				HTL	30 - 40%	560 €/ton (annual)			
Cellulose		-	X to biodiesel	СНЗОН	Ph y siochemical	Transestrification	60 - 95%	124 €/ton (annual)	FAME	T, I, FP	
Starch				/easts or bacterias Biochemical	Fermentation	80 - 90%	150 - 5597 €/ton (annual		T, I, FP		
MSW			X to biogas	Bacterias	D. C D. STITTOG	Anaerobic digestion	20 - 70%	430 €/ton	M e thane	T, I, R, C, FP	

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