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Decarbonization in Practice by GIMECO: Effective CO₂ Reduction, Credits and Gas Savings



HOT-DIP GALVANIZING PLANTS AND PROCESS KNOWLEDGE FROM ~~A TO~~ ZINC

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decarbonization in practice

think about the furnace

full electric

- simpler overall installation*
- high efficiency (–30/40% less power installed)*
- temperature layering without hardware modifications
- low stress on the kettle (up to +50% kettle service life)*
- redundancy of resistances to reduce stress in the equipment
- lower and stable chamber temperature*
- little maintenance
- no local CO₂ emissions
- no chimney, no gas exhausts, no dust, no noise
- suitable for renewable energy (solar, wind, ..)

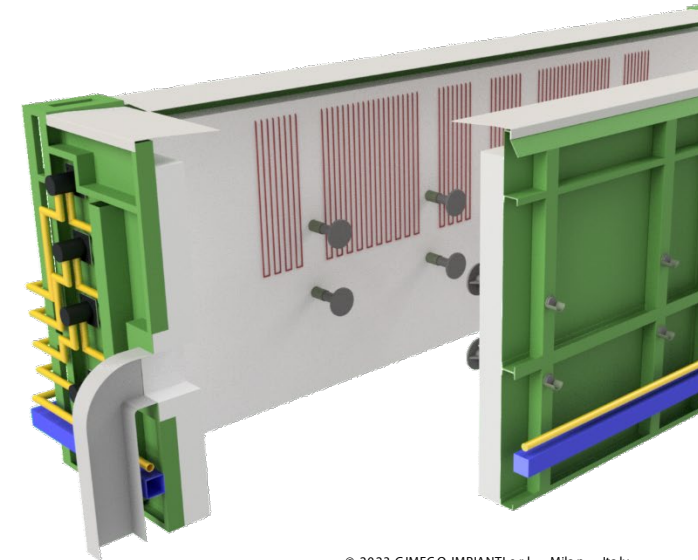
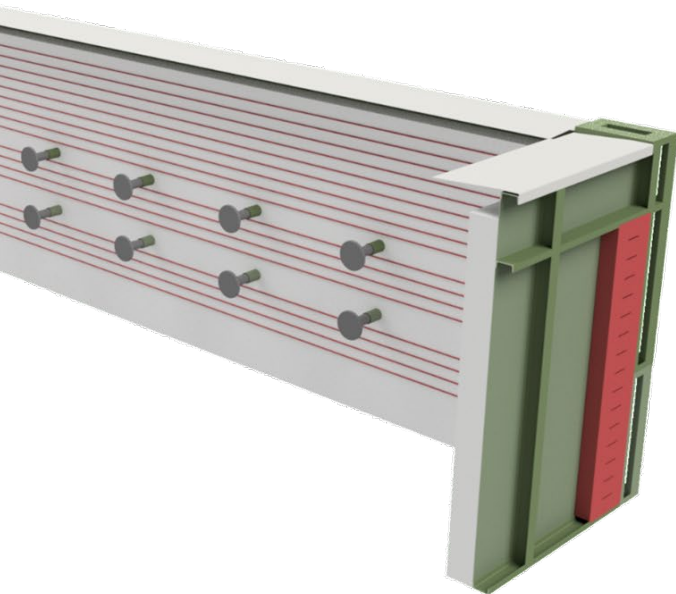
hybrid

- optimized fuel-electric system
- electric (or gas) backup power
- high flexibility of the system*
- backup power mode over night-shifts or weekends
- redundancy of resistances to reduce stress in the equipment
- lower stress on the kettle*
- gas saving*
- less exhausts*
- reduced local CO₂ emissions*
- suitable for renewable energy (solar, wind, ..)

** compared to traditional gas-fired furnaces*

product quality,
without local CO₂

flexibility is
sustainability





decarbonization in practice software management

energy consumption live tracking

the system detects, interprets, and stores all data regarding electrical & combustibles consumptions, verifying in real time the operating conditions of the system (mains voltage, electrical absorption)

adaptive and predictive automatic thermoregulation

the system knows the entity of incoming material next to be galvanized and, accordingly, the PID executes necessary modifications for the thermoregulation: this helps improving effectiveness of cycle-time resulting in significantly lower energy consumption and less downtimes

full control of dryer, heat economizing unit, hot air generator and gas control station

continuously retrieving data from sensors and valves for a live check-up; the system provides an optimization in the recovery of thermal energy exploiting the unique conditions of the system

heating elements adjustment

optimization of burners and/or resistances running cycles and turnover as well as controlling pressures to make energy consumption efficient

safety first and auto-diagnostic

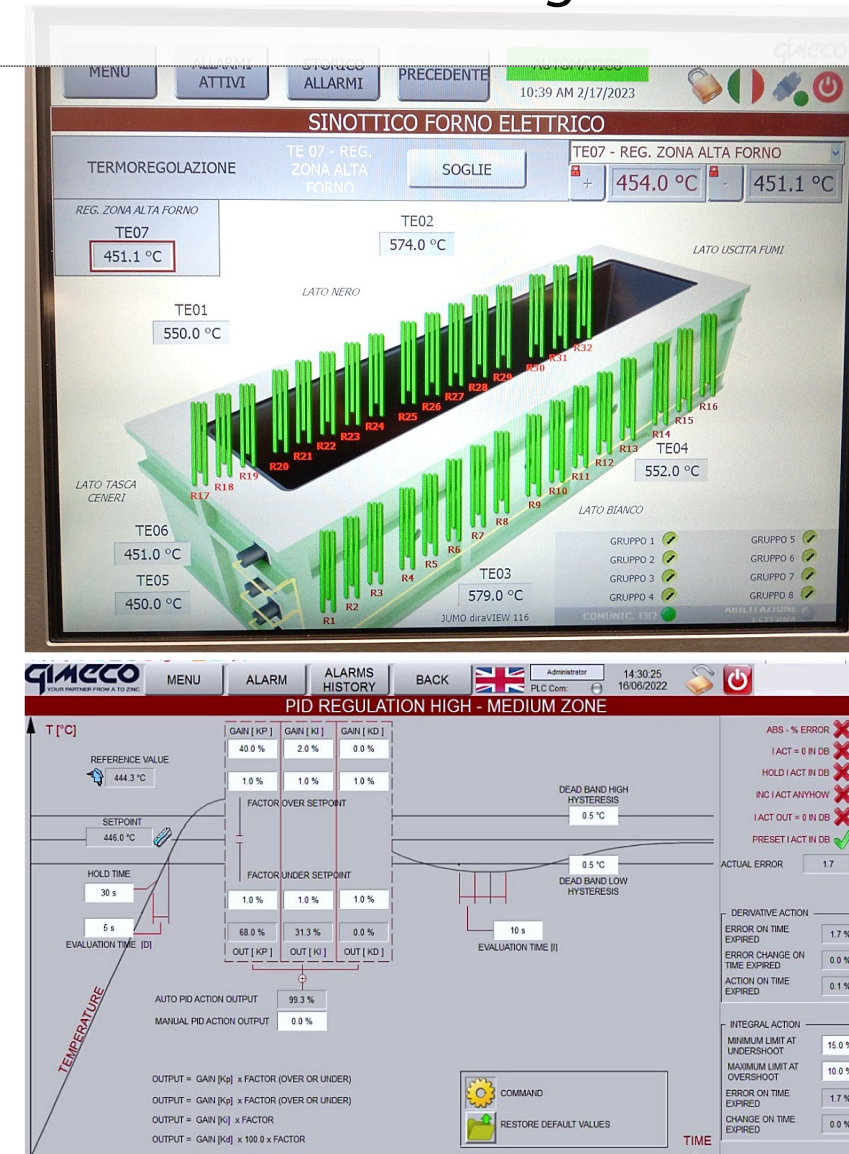
running and log information can be used for on-time auto-diagnostics, to take corrective actions in advance to avoid any potential risk or damage, and for a perfect thermal group operation rationalization of energy consumption

dynamic scheduler

helps planning and arranging automatic thermal cycles avoiding real-time manual executions, communicating directly with production management software

integrated MES and MRP interface module

a complete software suite developed "tailor made" to get a real-time full access to the thermal unit, including equipment working status and diagnostic to communicate directly with MRP system; the unit, fully remote controlled (also via browser), is completely integrated in the production process





decarbonization in practice case histories _ full electric

france, 2014
general jobbing plant

*replacement of an old-styled copper induction furnace;
the first job of this type for GIMECO*

shifts 2

power 120MW (by el. resistances)

production 25000t year

kettle 15,4 · 1,65 · 3,2m

temperature layering 6 – 9°C (colder bottom)

automatic thermoregulation ± 2°C with predictive working schedule

digital auto- diagnostics, remote control, smart HMI

savings

gas savings up to 174,99m³/h

local CO₂ reduction up to 346,48Kg/h**
up to 0,35 carbon credits (EU-ETS) per hour

* standardized cubic meter – considering 65% combustion efficiency of gas- fired system

** average carbon footprint per natural gas 198Kg/sm³c (International Energy Agency, EU Imp. Reg. 2018/2066)
figures with no contract value – specific cases to be analyzed individually



decarbonization in practice

case histories _ full electric

netherlands, 2023
spinning plant

replacement of a traditional gas-fired furnace

shifts 1

power 0,38MW (by el. armoured resistances)

production 3200t year

kettle 2,4 · 2,4 · 1,65m

temperature layering 6 – 9°C (colder bottom)

automatic thermoregulation ± 2°C with predictive working schedule

digital auto-diagnostics, remote control, smart HMI

savings
gas savings up to 55,4 m³/h

local CO₂ reduction up to 109,72Kg/h**
up to 0,11 carbon credits (EU-ETS) per hour

* standardized cubic meter – considering 65% combustion efficiency of gas-fired system

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decarbonization in practice case histories _ hybrid

italy, 2023

general jobbing plant

turn-key revamping to hybrid furnace
(gas-fired high velocity double-chamberTM with electric backup)

shifts 1

electric power 0,4MW (by el. armoured resistances)

production 45000t year

kettle 14,0 · 2,8/3,0 · 3,5m

temperature layering 15°C the gas-fired double-chamberTM furnace, 6 – 9°C the electric system (colder bottom)

automatic thermoregulation ± 2°C with predictive working schedule

digital auto-diagnostics, remote control, smart HMI

savings

gas savings up to 58,33m³/h

local CO₂ reduction up to 115,49Kg/h**
up to 0,12 carbon credits (EU-ETS) per hour

* standardized cubic meter – considering 65% combustion efficiency of gas-fired system

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decarbonization in practice case histories _ hybrid

Italy, 2023

general jobbing plant

*turn-key revamping to hybrid furnace
(gas-fired high velocity double-chamber™ with electric backup)*

shifts 2

electric power 0,324MW (by el. armoured resistances)

production 35000t/year

kettle 15,5 · 1,85/2,05 · 3,1m

temperature layering 15°C the gas-fired *double-chamber™* furnace, 6 – 9°C the electric system (colder bottom)

automatic thermoregulation ± 2°C with predictive working schedule

digital auto-diagnostics, remote control, smart HMI

savings

gas savings up to 47,25m³/h

local CO₂ reduction up to 93,55Kg/h**

up to 0,09 carbon credits (EU-ETS) per hour

* standardized cubic meter – considering 65% combustion efficiency of gas-fired system

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decarbonization in practice case histories _ hybrid

poland, 2021
general jobbing plant

*native hybrid furnace
(electric and high velocity double-chamber™)*

shifts 2

electric power 0,264MW (by el. armoured resistances)

production 80000t year

kettle 9,0 · 1,8 · 5,0m

temperature layering 15°C the gas-fired *double-chamber™* furnace, 6 – 9°C the electric system (colder bottom)

automatic thermoregulation ± 2°C with predictive working schedule

digital auto-diagnostics, remote control, smart HMI

savings

gas savings up to 38,50m³/h

local CO₂ reduction up to 76,23Kg/h**
up to 0,08 carbon credits (EU-ETS) per hour



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decarbonization in practice case histories _ hybrid

france, 2023
general jobbing plant

*turn-key revamping to hybrid furnace
(gas-fired high velocity double-chamber™ with electric backup)*

shifts 2

electric power 0,2MW (by el. armoured resistances)

production 50000t year

kettle 9,5 · 2,0 · 3,2m

temperature layering 15°C the gas-fired *double-chamber™* furnace, 6 – 9°C the electric system (colder bottom)

automatic thermoregulation ± 2°C with predictive working schedule

digital auto-diagnostics, remote control, smart HMI

savings

gas savings up to 29,17m³/h

local CO₂ reduction up to 57,75Kg/h**
up to 0,06 carbon credits (EU-ETS) per hour

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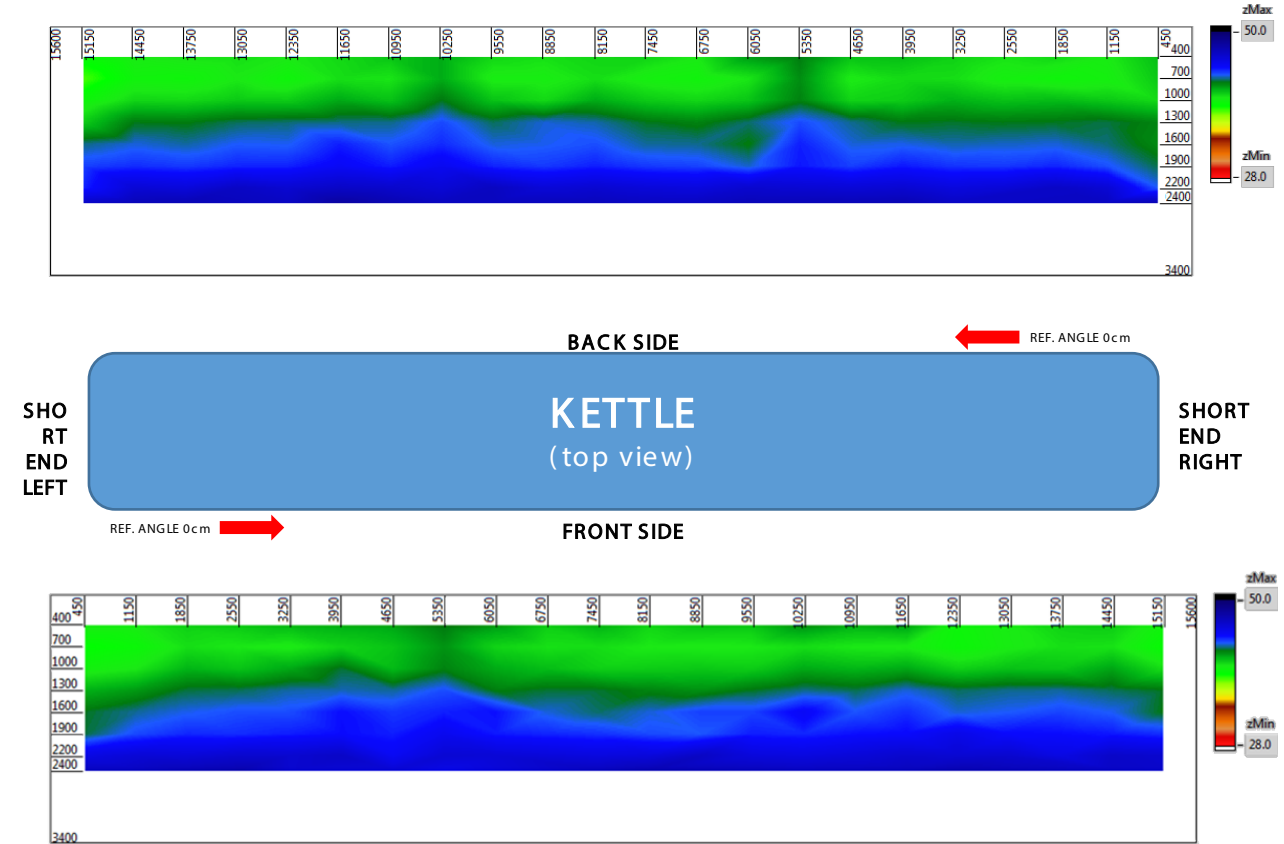
kettle typical corrosion pattern (by KID™)_ electric

less kettle replacements

in the end, electric thermal groups used as full power (full electric furnaces) or as back-up power while in idle times (hybrid furnaces) produce a low stress* to the kettle providing a uniform and mild corrosion pattern.

this allows the kettle service life to be radically extended meaning that less kettle replacements are virtually needed, contributing to **further savings on capital expenditures**.

* compared to gas-fired furnaces





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