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Islands as references of Circular Economy Models: Potentials and Challenges

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ITC is a technology center specialized in

- Renewable Energies and Energy Efficiency
- Sustainable Water Technologies
- Algae Biotechnology
- Enviromental Analysis (pollution prevention)
- Computing & ICTs
- Biomedical Engineering (customized implants)





International Cooperation (above sectors; focus: West Africa) Innovation & Entrepreneurship



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Gran Canaria



The Canary Islands (Spain)

- 2,1 mill. inhabitants, 13 mill. tourists/year (fast economic growth)
- Energy dependence on external resources
- Electricity generation from fossil fuels (oil); low heat demand
- Isolated (insular) electrical systems
- Lack of water resources (extremely low rainfall)
- Insular dimension: strategic need to maximise the use of endogenous resources (energy+water for self-sufficiency)
 -> Importance of water-energy binomial (desalination)





Additional Challenges (apply to many islands worldwide)

- Biodiversity preservation (fragile land&sea ecosystems)
- Climate change
- Population density/growth
- Waste (removal, recycling, small scale biomass exploitation, etc.)
- Food Autarky
- Sustainable tourism
- Sustainable transport (land&sea)
- Difficulties for creation of new and sustainable economic sectors (potential: blue economy)
- Difficulties for the massive deployment of Renewable Energies (weak/isolated grids, lack of space for energy infrastructure placement, etc.)
- Etc.

Continental areas vs. Islands BaU solutions vs. Sustainable/Smart/Circular solutions





The Canary Islands

- Historically, the Canary Islands have suffered water scarcity associated to: low rainfall, high permeability of soils, over-exploitation of aquifer resources
- Conventional solutions applied:
 - Groundwater catchment by horizontal water tunnels ("galerías") and vertical wells
 - Rainwater catchment and storage
 - Construction and waterproofing of reservoirs
 - Efficient use of water









Canary Islands (non conventional) water resources (1)

Desalinated freshwater – European reference

- The first European seawater desalination plant was installed in Lanzarote island (1964)
- Currently, freshwater total demand is 200 hm³/year (more than 650,000 m³/day installed, approx. 2% world capacity)
- All desalination technologies installed (VC, MED, MSF, OI, EDR, SOLAR STILLS.....)



PRODUCTION CAPACITIES

Seawater	430,000 m³/d	167 plants
Brackish water	150,000 m³/d	146 plants
Reclaimed wastewate	66,000 m³/d	12 plants





Canary Islands (non conventional) water resources (2)

Reclaimed wastewater

- Goal: to balance the hydric deficit of the islands and to promote a sustainable management of natural resources
- 20 years experience in wastewater treatment and reuse
- Recent normative and management challenges



DEMAND

Irrigation	10.40 hm³/y	41 %
Golf Public gardens	15.19 hm³/y	59 %





15 years experience in non-conventional low energy consumption waste water treatment systems (< 2.000 inh.equiv.)







Canary Islands (non conventional) water resources (3)





But the age of "easy & cheap oil" is coming to an end and the link waterenergy is critical.

A promising option is desalination powered by renewable energies (RE), which are abundant, clean and endless resources.







The Canary Islands

Energy Framework

 3 GW installed power, approx. 9000 GWh total el. consumption
15% of electricity consumed in water cycle
Abundant Renewable Energy Resources: wind: ~ 4000 h.eq./y; sun: ~ 2000 kWh/m²/y
GOAL: 25% penetration in 2018



ISLANDS

VISION

ISLANDS are NATURAL LABORATORIES for developing, testing and demonstrating new technologies which will be implemented in continental regions (Europe and ROW), in insular regions worldwide, as well as in developing countries



ISLANDS are the IDEAL PLATFORMS to showcase and transfer adapted technologies to regions of developing and emerging countries worldwide (and particularly of European neighbour regions)









The Canary Islands: Ideal Test Beds

Islands: Natural Laboratories

Every island configurates one or several real laboratories for testing and demonstrating new technologies, especially emerging ones.



Biggest islands: 900.000 inhabitants; Smallest Islands <10.000 inhabitants





SUSTAINABILITY

Islands: Natural Laboratories

The Canary Islands are fully committed to the development and implementation of innovative energy, water and environmental protection technologies and policies, providing sound proof of concepts for the whole Europe and RoW













(Canary) Islands: STRATEGIC ELEMENTS FOR R&D AND TECHNOLOGY COOPERATION WITH DEVELOPING COUNTRIES

SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY FOR INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION

The Canary Islands have been carrying out succesful international cooperation projects (especially with West Africa and South America) for many years, developing and transferring adapted technology, for example in the energy, water, agriculture, fishing and public health sectors



RENEWABLE ENERGIES AND WATER TECHNOLOGIES







The Canary Islands Government is deploying technology parks specialized in adapting technologies for the developing world.





Capacities and outstanding projects (2) - WATER

Case 1. Off- grid wind farm coupled to 3 desalination systems (1998-2002)

 SDAWES project (Seawater Desalination with Autonomous Wind Energy System), connection of 3 different desalination systems to an off-grid wind farm.



2x230 kW off-grid wind farm.



EDR plant (from 3 to 7.9 m³/h).



Synchronous machine (100 kW) & flywheel.



8 RO desalination plants (1 m³/h each).



VVC plant (2 m³/h).

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Capacities and outstanding projects (3) - WATER

Case 2. Seawater - PV desalination unit (since 1999)

 Autonomous PV-RO system, designed to satisfy small water demands (up to 1,000 inhabitants) isolated from the electric grid. DESSOL[®] is an ITC patent.



RO unit - <3.5 kWh/m³.



PV field



Battery back-up system



Also tested a battery-less PV-RO system

Average operation 8 h/d (summer); 6 h/d (winter).









Capacities and oustanding projects (4) - WATER

Case 3. Wind energy for high capacity desalination plant

Grid-Wind-RO system, private initiatives







On-grid wind farm





Irrigation





CANARY ISLANDS INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY (ITC)

We have accumulated 20 years of experience in the development of solutions for the ENERGY and WATER supply to periurban/rural/remote areas

We have carried out consulting and electrification/water desalination projects using RENEWABLE ENERGIES, as well as training and awareness activities in:

- Mauritania (since 1996)
- Morocco (since 1998)
- Tunisia
- Cape Verde
- Senegal
- ECOWAS





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Technology transfer examples (I)

ITC Experience

Electrification of isolated communities with wind/solar energy



Development and installation of small autonomous desalination plants, powered by renewable energies



Technology transfer examples (II)

ITC Experience

 4 seawater desalination plants, National Park Banc d'Arguin, Mauritania



4 brackish water desalination plants, powered by solar energy, Morocco



 Brackish water desalination plant powered by solar energy, Tunisia
Consultancy in rural



 Consultancy in rural "microgeneration" (RES hybrid systems and micro/minigrids) (Cape Verde and ECOWAS)

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Climate Change Study: Regional Approach









http://climatique.itccanarias.org



Socios en la Región de Souss Massa Drâa:



Ministère de l'Energie, des Mines, de l'Eau et de l'Environnement Département de l'Environnement



Canarias OBJETIVO de PROGREGO



Unión Europea

Fondo Europeo de Desarrollo Regional

Socios beneficiarios:



Gobierno de Canarias Universidad de La Laguna

The CLIMATIQUE project

 2 years project lead by ITC, carried out by Canary Islands' and Moroccan Institutions (Sous Massa Draa Region)



- "New" approaches:
 - Projections below the meso-scale ("regional" level)
 - Monitoring of bird migration patterns (deviations) as potential Climate Change indicator





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Regionalization improvements



Domains definition



Cooperación Transfronteriza



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Projections: annual mean changes, 2090-2100

Observatorio Cambio Climático Canarias - Souss Massa Drâa







Canarias OBJETVO de PROGRESO



Projections: seasonal changes, Precip., 2090-2100

Observatorio Cambio Climático Canarias - Souss Massa Drâa



Conclusions





- Maximum and minimum temperatures increase:
 - Up to 2.5^oC (2045-55) and up to 6 ^oC (2090-2100)
 - The changes will be more important at elevated zones
 - During summer, the changes will be more significant
- Precipitations decrease:
 - Most import changes will occur at high altitude areas
 - During winter, the changes will be more significant
 - The largest changes appear for the period 2090-2100 and the RCP8.5 scenario



- Winds:
 - No significant changes during 2045-55 were appreciated
 - For 2090-2100 decade and for the scenario RCP8.5, important changes are observed at high altitude areas with an increase in the East component
 - At the south part of the domain, an increase in the NE component is observed
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ooperación ansfronteriza



Canarias DEJETIVO de PROGRES



A new project (H2020): Moving Towards Adaptive Governance in Complexity: Informing Nexus Security" (MAGIC)

Call H2020-WATER-2015; Topic: "Integrated approaches to food security, low-carbon energy, sustainable water management and climate change mitigation"





THE ISSUES OF THE CALL

- Increased understanding of how water management, food and biodiversity policies are linked together and to climate and sustainability goals.
- Reduction of the uncertainties about the opportunities and limitations of low-carbon options, such as bioenergy technologies and resource efficiency measures, in view of relevant near-term policy initiatives.
- Contribution to future assessments, including those of the IPCC, with multidisciplinary and integrated tools.









BLUE Growth / BLUE Economy





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Implementation of RIS3 Priorities in Blue Growth

STORY TELING

Las Palmas de Gran Canaria (Canary Islands)

Canary Islands



Pilot projects (1)



• Blue Economy / Algae Technology / Business Incubation:



Algalimento S.L. (microalgae production), incubated at ITC Pozo Izquierdo facilities







Support to Biotech start-ups



Europe in my region|city September|October|November 2015






Pilot projects (2)



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Coastal Water Quality / Protection of Marine Biodiversity:



Monitoring of discharges / Risk prevention

Venturi (desalination plants ') Brine Diffuser (International Patent)

• Marine Renewable Energies:



Arinaga (Gran Canaria) Multimegawatt Wind Test Platform): First spanish off-shore wind turbine tested/certified 2014/2015



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GOAL: 100 % Renewable Energy Supply







Technical Solutions (I)

HV/MV: Pumped Hydro (where possible)

Upper Reservoir

Hydro Power Station

Lower Reservoir

Control

Wind Farm

Pumping Station













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Technical Solutions (II)







Technical Solutions (III)

MV/LV:

- Distributed Generation, esp.:
- Mini- & Microgrids with high renewable energy penetration, incl. energy storage, management of critical loads (e.g. seawater desalination) and electrical mobility





DEMAND MANAGEMENT: water desalination



15% of energy production goes to water desalination and water distribution.

Use of desalinated water

Residential & touristic	374,000 m³/day	153 plants
Agriculture	146,000 m³/day	100 plants

Energy consumption for water desalination: 1Kgr fuel/ m³ of desalinated water.

- For 522.000 m³/day
- Import 150.000 Ton fuel /year.





DEMAND MANAGEMENT: Electric cars



30% of oil consumed in the internal market goes to the road transport

sector.







Peak shaving: More than 1 million vehicles could charge at valley hours of the electric demand curve









Maximizing PV/RES Penetration in islands

Governance





Operation

Multilevel Governance

SINGULAR

Smart and Sustainable Insular Electricity Grids Under Large-Scale Renewable Integration

Enhancing Effective Implementation of Sustainable Energy Action Plans in European islands through Reinforcement of Smart Multilevel Governance

www.sustainableislands.eu www.smilegov.eu





Distributed Generation (Microgrids)

La Graciosa

- TILOS
- West Africa





SiNGULAR Project (FP7)

R&D: effects of large-scale integration of renewable energy sources (RES) and demand side management (DSM) on the planning and operation of insular (non-interconnected) grids.

Emerging issues: grid-connected RES, large scale distributed generation (DG), informed or active consumers with real-time pricing, energy efficiency, demand response, energy storage, forecasting: Towards a Smart and Sustainable Grid!

Financed by EC FP7: 5,5 M€ (Dec. 2012- Dec. 2015)

Pilot sites for testing and validation:

- S. Miguel Island, Azores Portugal
- La Graciosa, Canary Islands Spain
- El Hierro, Canary Islands Spain
- Island of Pantelleria Italy
- Crete Island Greece
- Great Island of Brailla Romania

Objectives:

- Reduce CoE
- Communicate to the Operator the status of the EES and forecast of the energy flow
- Receive emergency orders from the Grid Operator
- Ensure that the energy flow at the PCC is within the forecasted limits







TILOS Project (H2020)

INDUSTRIAL PARTNERS

EUNICE Laboratories SA (EL) FIAMM Energy Storage Solutions SRL (IT) Open Energi (UK) SMA Solar Technology AG (DE) Younicos AG (DE)

ISLAND GRID OPERATORS

Hellenic Electricity Distribution Network Operator S.A. (EL) Schleswig-Holstein Netz AG (DE)

RESEARCH / ACADEMIC PARTNERS

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NGOs

WWF World Wide Fund for Nature - Greece (EL)









Existing Expertise/Capacities (Energy & Water)

- Energetic optimization of the Water Cycle
- Water desalination and treatment/reuse technologies, powered by Renewable Energies (+ experience in Africa)
- Water quality (focus: coastal waters)
- Design of innovative & sustainable energy generation systems (microgrids, hybrid systems, etc.)
- Dynamic grid stability studies (using advanced software)
- Reversible pumped hydro power systems and design of energy storage solutions
- Integration of Renewable Energies in electricy grids; design of power electronics devices
- Energy Planning strategies (focus: insular systems & remote areas)
- Test of RES system components (both electrical (focus: PV) and thermal (solar heaters); modeling of thermal loads in buildings using advanced software; bioclimatic design of buildings



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The paradigms of our vision: La Graciosa & El Hierro

La Graciosa Island







La Graciosa 100% RES

On-going



La Graciosa: 650 inhabitants 0.7 MW peak 2 GWh/y demand



Smart Microgrid with high RES penetration, energy storage (incl. desalination) and electric vehicles fleet











- Electric power supply through a submarine cable
 - Cable capacity = 1.030 kW
 - Max electric demand = 668 kW
 - Electric consumption 1,6 GWh/year
 - Diesel genset for emergencies
- > Water supply through a submarine water pipe
- High wind and solar resources
 - Solar radiation = 4,9 kWh/m²-d
 - Wind speed = 5,7 m/s



La Graciosa		
Permanent residents	658	
Residents coming on	200	
weekends		
Residents coming in summer	600	
Touristic beds	400	
Houses		
Electric consumption	1,6 GWh/y	
Energy for Water consumption	175.200	
	kWh/y	

 La Graciosa: The perfect object to illustrate one of the pillars of the new energy paradigm: distributed generation / RES micro-mini grids



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Microgrid in La Graciosa Island

 Technical works on-going (coordination between ENDESA and ITC with the Insular Authority)









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24/06/2015, Brussels

Final Conference

Microgrid in La Graciosa Island

- Insular authority is investing in:
 - Installation of PV systems
 - Installation of charging station for electric vehicles
- Technological Industrial partners (ENDESA, ENEL, ITC) are working together to raise funds for:
 - Installation of batteries
 - Finalisation of technical studies to maximize RES penetration





24/06/2015, Brussels

Final Conference





















El Hierro: first 100% RES Island



278 km² 10.500 inhabitants 7 MW peak 40 GWh/y demand (Diesel)







EL HIERRO Sustainible Development Plan (1997) Biosphere Reserve Declaration (2000)



BIOSPHERE RESERVE – UNESCO - JANUARY 2.000









Poblado de Guinea Lagartario





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Centro de Interpretación



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Casa Aguardier

El Alfar

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artesanía

Finca modelo de agroturismo

Parque Temático

la cultura del aqua





Sustainable Development Program

Start 1995

Updated 2006

Arquitecture Tourism Agriculture Employment Fisheries Energy Water Culture Transportation Comercialization Wastes Livestock Industry Etc.

Sustainable Development Program

6 CRITERIA

- 1.- People as the Main Target
- 2.- Clean Production and Technologies
- 3.- Systems Design
- 4.- Creating Cycles
- 5.- Economical System / Local Economy
- 6.- Social Development and Citizens Participation



What have we done until now towards sustainability?

Organic Agriculture Waste Recycling Marine Reserve El Hierro, UNESCO Biosphere Reserve Primary Sector Products Processing Sustainable Water Management Sustainable Tourism Renewable Energies



100% renewable energy supply

- Design and construction of a Wind-Pumped Hydro Power Station
- Installation of solar collectors & PV systems



- **Transport. Sustainable Mobility**
 - **Environmental Education**

CENTRAL HIDROEÓLICA

DE EL HIERRO



Wind-Hydro Power Station Grona del Viento

Gorona del Viento El Hierro S.A.









El Hierro: 100% RES Island

In operation since 2014



Wind – Pumped Hydro Power Station





VALVERDE

DEPÓSITO SUPERIOR

CASETA DE VÁLVULAS

PARQUE EÓLICO

TUBERIAS FORZADAS

DEPÓSITO INFERIOR

CENTRAL DE BOMBEO

CENTRAL HIDROELECTRICA

PUERTO DE LA ESTACA

CENTRAL DIESEL

Wind Farm	11,5 MW
Hydroelectric Substation	11,3 MW
Pumping Station	6 MW
Upper Reservoir	400.000 m ³
Lower Reservoir	150.000 m ³





















Upper Reservoir


















Conductions











Lower Reservoir

















Hydro-Station









Pumping-Station



















Wind Farm

























Five E-70 energy-self-sufficient El Hierro

ENERCON WIND TURBINES WORK IN COMBINATION WITH A. PUMPED STORAGE SYSTEM. THE PROJECT MAKES POWER GENERATION ON EL HIERRO COMPLETELY INDEPENDENT OF FOSSIL FUELS.

E Hierro has set itself ambitious gasts for power production. The smallast of the Canary Islands ocon waits to meet the electricity damand using one hundred percent retainable energies. The Waiserde ENERCON supplied the wind anargy converters and electrical energy will be produced diractly on the island to make El the wind term control unit (FCU). Five E-70/2.3 MW wind turbines



Upper reservoir of EtHermis hybrid power plant is the background to he nght the wind form



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Inauguración de Gorona del Viento. La Isla del Meridiano comienza a producir energía 100% renovable El arrangue del parque eólico marca el punto de partida para el autoabastecimiento energético y de agua

EL HIERRO ENCIENDE LA LUZ LIMPIA

R. R. / VALVERDE (EL HERRO)

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El arrangue ayer de la Central Hi- con energia 100% limpia y para droeólica de El Hierro convierte a demostrar que «las energias rela Isla y a Canarias en referente novables y la demanda son gosmundial en energías renovables. tionables», dijo Alpidio Armas Su inauguración, en medio del de- no sin recordar que la Isla tiene bate de las prospecciones petroli- ahi «la llave del modelo de tranferas que el Estado ha autorizado sición energética» que «dará a frente a Lanzarote y Fuerteventu- otros territorios del mundo».

ra, se aprovechó para pedir una Paulino Rivero, por su parie, Canarias -verde y azul, no negra-, no desaprovochó la ocasión para incidir en que «Canarias quiere un futuro verde y azul, pero nunca negroe, en clara alusión al pe-Sen ochar a andar los cinco ae-ción ha autorizado a buscar frenrogeneradores del parque eòlico in a Lanzarote y Fuerieventura. de la Central Hidroeòlica de Kl «Los combustibles fósiles son el Hierro. A las 10.40 de la mañana pasado», dijo al tiempo que rese iniciaha el proceso con la cali- cordó que «frenie a los que alqui-





sus 10.000 habitantes
Se espera que todos los coches sean eléctricos en 2020 tuente de enerola

Inauguración de Gorona del Viento. El evento reunió en El Hierro a más de 200 personas» Media docena de invitados portaba pegatinas en contra del petróleo» Una cápsula del tiempo recordará el arrangue de la central

ENERGÍAS RENOVABLES PUESTA EN MARCHA DE LA CENTRAL HIDROEÓLICA HERREÑA

Gorona del Viento ahorra a la atmósfera 18.700 toneladas anuales de CO2

La central hidroeólica pone sobre el Hierro el foco mundial en energías limpias
Paulino Rivero y Hernández Bento ajustan cuentas por el crudo con energías renovables en Cana-rias es mucho más barata que la carburos en centrales térmicas. Traducido a consurno de gasoll, el ahorro es de 6 000 toneladas al año. Yllevado a moneda corriente, el abaratamiento será de 81,45 millones de euros en los próximos veinte años. Dicha cantidad paga la obra, por lo que ni el Estado, ni los socios de Gorona -- Cabildo herrefio (60%), Endesa (30%) y Goble



ACTO SENCILLO QUE PASARÁ A LA HISTORIA

Dos escenarios para más de 200 invitados El acto de inauguración de la Central Hidrocólica de El Herro tuvo lugar en dos escenarios: el parque eólico y el mirador de La Peña, diseñado por César Mandque, Sehabilitaron varias quaquas para tostadar a los más de 200 invitados al evento.

🔁 El himno del Cabildo, de Benito Cabrera, amenizó Tanto en el parque edito, situado en las provinsidades de Valverde, como en el mirador de la Peña, el evento estuvo amenizado por el himno del Cabildo de El Herro, compuesto por el timplis-

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