

Demonstration of the Fuel Cell Hybrid PowerPack

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What do we do today?



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FCH2RAIL project in Brief

Holger Dittus, DLR



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FCH2RAIL Project in Brief



- Start date: 01 January 2021
- Duration: 48 Months
- Total budget: **13.3 Mio €**
- H2020 Innovation Action funded by Clean Hydrogen Partnership
- 7 technical Work packages, 29 Milestones, 43 Deliverables
- 2 Demonstrators: Fuel Cell Hybrid Power Pack and Bi-Mode Train

 8 Beneficiaries from Belgium, Germany, Spain and Portugal:





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Technical overview

Eva Terron, CAF



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Step1- Definition of the requirements



Analyis of applications and service profiles



Different use cases have been analysed in Spain, Portugal, Germany and Slovakia

- DMUs
- Mainline locomotives
- Shunting locomotives

Many services have been analysed

- Spain and Portugal: 10 of 73 services
- Germany: 13 of 1417 services

Very different characteristics

| | min | max |
|-------------------------------------|-----|------|
| Non <u>electrified section</u> (Km) | 80 | 730 |
| Altitude (m) | 20 | 1000 |
| Av. Distance btw. Stations (Km) | 2 | 25 |

Global requirements are defined:

- Power & energy
- Autonomy or range





Step 2- Definition of the components and architecture

- Architecture
 - Scalable and modular
 - Applicable for different rail applications (Multiple Unit, Mainline and Shunting Loco)
 - Suitable for retrofitting existing trains
- Components
 - Fuel Cells (TOYOTA)
 - OESS (CAF)
 - DC/DC converter (CAF)
 - DASEM (CAF)
 - Cooling system (Third Party)
 - H2 Storage system (Third Party)







Step 2- Definition of the components and architecture (II)

Design of the integration in the train demonstrator is adding more requirements

- Mechanical
- Electrical
- Hydraulic





Step 3- Detailed design, manufacturing and testing the subsystems

• Components tested at origin and ready for installation









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Step 4- Development of the HIL



- HIL test bench developed in CAF, including
 - Electronic controllers of the subsystems of the Fuel Cell Hybrid PowerPack
 - New Train Control and Monitoring System (TCMS)
 - Traction control unit of the existing traction equipment in the CIVIA train
 - TCMS of the CIVIA train
- Functionality of the new FCHPP is extensively tested
- Integration of the new FCHPP with the existing traction equipment and the existing train control is also tested





Step 5- Testing the real FCHPP

2 demonstrators have been developed

- 1. Full scale Test bench for the Fuel Cell Hybrid PowerPack (FCHPP)
- 2. Civia EMU converted into a Bi-Mode FCH train





Both demonstrators are running in parallel!





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Testing the Fuel Cell Hybrid PowerPack

Jose Maria Olavarrieta, CNH2





MAJOR CHALLENGES



 \succ How to test a H₂ train propulsion system without a train?

 \blacktriangleright How or where is this tested? Who has a test bench for this?

 \succ Who is able to provide all the H₂ supply installations, main and auxiliary systems and subsystems, safety installations, etc?





MAIN OBJECTIVES



- > To test a complete Fuel Cell Hybrid PowerPack.
- > To demonstrate operation and performance of the Fuel Cell Hybrid PowerPack.
- > To know how the individual equipment performs before the integration into the train.
- > To optimize the controls and energy management system.



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THE TEST BENCH **IMPLEMENTATION PROCESS**





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THE STARTING POINT





Week 0 (February²²)

Facilities at CNH2 (prototypes area)

Clean and clear

Nothing implemented



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TME FUELCELL MODULES PLACING





Week 1







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SAFETY BARRIER INSTALLATION





Week 02 Week 03

Safety barrier





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H₂ SUPPLY PANEL PLACING





Week 03 Week 04

Mechanical installation and electrical connection process of control and monitoring instruments





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OESS & DC/CD INSTALLATION









Week 05

OESS and DC/DC placing, mechanical installation and electrical connection process



& LT COOLING SYSTEMS INSTALLATION F





Week 06

Cooling systems mechanical installation and electrical connection







THE TEST BENCH **COMMISSIONING PHASE**





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Week 08

CNH2, CAF, CAF PA and TOYOTA crew in commissioning phase





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Cooling system connection/communication process (commissioning)



Week 08





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Fuel Cell Modules connection/communication process (commissioning)





Week 08

DC/DC converter commissioning

COMMISSIONING PHASE







THE TEST BENCH **VIDEO DEMONSTRATOR**







MAIN RESULTS



> Many tests on different system levels were perfomed:

- Standard polarization curves for fuel cells, etc.
- H₂ consumption test, driving cycle test, ramp-up test, etc.
- Tests related especially to the specific use cases / service profiles / railway profiles, etc.
- \geq 220 kg of green H₂ consumed so far.
- > Detailed knowledge of the systems and subsystems performance was obtained.
- > Control and energy management system was optimized.
- > Full functionality and requested performance of the Fuel Cell Hybrid PowerPack is achieved.





THANK YOU TO THE TEST BENCH CREW













FCHPP Integration in Demonstrator Train

Fabien Bouyssou, CAF





Train Demonstrator TimeLine

According to Grant Agreement objectives signed with JU:

- January 2023: Implementation and Integration in Demonstrator
- August 2023: Start of Track Testing

Thanks to one Power Pack not in use and available since M17:

FCH2RAIL Results, as of today: <u>Need of a Quick Implementation</u>!

- June 2022: Implementation and Integration in Demonstrator of one PP
- July 2022: Start of Track Testing with one PP

High interest of getting both CNH Testing Bench and Train Demonstrator in use at the same time!





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Train Demonstrator Modification Phases

- 3 Main steps:
- Dismounting of former "RENFE" equipment and interiors 1.
- 2. Preparation for PP installation
 - Soldering operations on roof, brackets installation
 - Mechanical supports and reinforcement inside the train 2.
 - Electrical wiring and protections 3.
- 3. PP equipment installation and connection











Enjoying Concrete Results !





Train Demonstrator Modification Video









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Train Demonstrator Lessons Learnt

Experience leads to lessons learnt:

H2 leaks! That's a fact!



Tightness test criterion is a challenge and experience is a key factor in successful test completion. Need of close involvement of H2 distribution and storage system sub suppliers.

Solaris help (CAF Group) has been fundamental in the 1st testing steps.

H2 dispensation is a new field of competence / knowledge to be developed as Rolling Stock supplier, to offer "turnkey" projects:

- Dispensation technology knowledge
- Need of optimizing refueling times, no "SAE Jx" protocol existing
- Safety related operation, monitoring and control of H2 max temp



Train Demonstrator Approval Process

Approval Process being started and undergoing. ISA (Tüv-Süd) and DeBo (BelgoRail) competences involved.



First positive assessment results from Tüv-Süd Rail granted related to testing in San Gregorio external track with 1 PP.

Relying on strong Tüv-Süd experience in H2 Rolling Stock field.

2023

TRL7 train homologation in Spain, Track Testing with 2 PP Portable HRS in several locations

2024

TRL7 train homologation in Portugal, Track Testing with 2 PP Train authorization study in Germany







Feedback, Q&A















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For more than 18 exciting months the FCH2RAIL partners have been working intensively on the development of the Fuel Cell Hybrid PowerPack for Rail Applications. Now the FCH2RAIL consortium shares recent highlights related to testing of the innovative power pack and the demonstrator train on InnoTrans 2022:

> FCH2RAIL insights: Demonstration of the Fuel Cell Hybrid PowerPack

The free of charge live presentation can be visited on 22 September from 13:30 - 14:30 in Hall 7.2a on the InnoTrans exhibition grounds in Berlin .

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Thank you for joining!





