

Developing Highly Efficient Concentrated Solar Power Architecture





















IN-POWER aims at developing and integrating new innovative material solutions into concentrated solar technology to increase the efficiency while simultaneously decreasing the energy production cost. These advanced material solutions consist of (1) High reflectance, tailored shapes, self-healing and anti-soiling coated, light glass-free smart mirrors, (2) Optimized and lighter mirror support structure, (3) High-operationaltemperature absorber coating in new vacuum-free-designed receiver. (4) Novel modular solar field architecture and design achievable by these new components. Having the identical low associated environmental impact, this promising technology is expected to decrease the land use by four-time. (5) high-operating-temperature thermal storage materials (TES) that will guarantee up to three-time increase in thermal capacity respect to standard TES, depending on Heat Transfer Fluid, also leading to the reduction of thermal storage system size. IN-POWER will validate these novel functional materials and new manufacturing processes will guarantee decrease in Levelised Cost of Electricity below **0.10 €/KWh** beyond 2020 by validating these technologies in Lineal Fresnel Collector and Parabolic through Collector pilot plants under 2100-2700 kWh/(m²a)

