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IREN experience in cogeneration and heat storages

Torino Nord Power Plant - October 24, 2016

District Heating and Cogeneration – the Turin case





Torino District Heating system

District Heating started in Torino in the 80s and operates with **Superheated water** at a delivery temperature normally between 105°C and 120°C, based on a typical interconnected grid at the transport level and a radial grid at the distribution level.

- 528 km of double pipeline
- 5.700 DH sub-stations

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- 580.000 served inhabitants
- 1.300 MW thermal peak demand
- 2.000 GWh total thermal energy produced
- over 98% production from CHP



With **58 mln m³** heated, Torino is the most district heated city in Italy nowadays.

The behavior of the heat demand



Cogeneration Combined Cycle Gas Turbine Plants



Why cogeneration?

Cogeneration: the process whereby a single fuel source, such as natural gas, is used to produce simultaneously **both electrical** and **thermal** energy.



How a CCGT CHP unit works





Environmental benefits

- Optimization of fuel consumption
- Reduction of emissions
- Higher total efficiency than building (90%) or individual (80-85%) localized boilers
- Economical benefits and subsidies

Savings

- 220.000 TOE
- 1.000.000 tons of CO₂
- 1.830 tons of NO_x

Equivalent to - 780.000 cars









Environmental friendly



IREN virtuosity



Heat Only Boilers

Heat Only Boilers (HOB) are used for **integration** and are a **redundancy** of CCGTs.

4 Plants with HOBs are distributed all around the city in **strategic places**.





Heat storage systems



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3 Heat storage systems in Turin12.500 m³ Overall capacity

178 GWh energy stored in thermal season 2013/14, the **10 %** of the entire energy produced

Ongoing Heat Storage Systems			
BIT	Oct. 2016	+ 2.500 m ³	
Mirafiori Nord	Oct. 2018	+ 2.500 m ³	
San Salvario	Oct. 2018	+ 2.500 m ³	
Mirafiori Sud	Oct. 2018	+ 2.500 m ³	

Heat storage systems

Store thermal energy produced by CCGT plants and use it during the hours of maximum load of the district heating system, **reducing** the use of **HOBs**



Operated from remote control rooms



Heat storage systems



- **Reliability** of thermal energy supply
- Flexibility of CHP plant for electricity dispatching
- Efficiency of the system and of CCGTs
- Heated volumes
- Fast charge of the storage
- Rapid start up in terms of available power for DH
- Highly flexible control of the heat flow
- Heated generation installed capacity
- **Emissions** (– 1 TOE/m³ per year)
- Operation and maintenance costs

Coverage of DH load with CCGT CHP units and storages in early 2013



Storages are charged during the night



Coverage of DH load with CCGT CHP units and storages in late 2013



Maximization of CCGTs efficiency during the night thanks to the heat storage system

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Flexible use of cogeneration plant



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Torino Nord Power Plant – Some numbers

CCGT CHP unit	Full electric mode	Full cogeneration mode
Electrical power	395 MW	357 MW
Thermal power	0 MW	230 MW
Efficiency	56 %	87 %
Fuel	Natural gas	
Integration and backup boilers		
Thermal power	3 x 113 MW	
Efficiency	92%	
Fuel	Natural gas	
Heat storage system		
Number of tanks	6	
Overall volume	5.000 m ³	
Stored energy	280 MWh	

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The Group actively contributes to the growth of the territory in which it operates, tangibly promoting economic development and innovation.



We are more than **6.200** employees on 8 provinces



Shareholding structure and ranking in Italy's utility market



IREN Key Drivers



ELECTRICAL ENERGY

2.7 GW of installed capacity8.1 TWh produced in 201512.4 TWh sold in 20154.0 TWh distributed



WATER SERVICES

Integrated water cycle management to 2.4 mln inhabitants 162 mcm distributed in 2015 24,500 km of pipelines



DISTRICT HEATING

6 co-generation plants 825 km of DH pipelines 2,9 TWh heat produced in 2015 1st operator in Italy with 760,000 served inhabitants



NATURAL GAS

1.2 mln final users
9,000 km network
1 regasification LNG terminal,
3.75 bln m³/y of authorized capacity (41,7% IREN stake)



ENVIRONMENT

3 WTE managed 1,7 mln tons treated in 2015 Waste collection in more than 100 towns



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OTHER SERVICES

133,000 street lighting point 19,000 traffic lights Facility management and global service



Cogeneration, thermal and thermoelectric production

1st operator in Italy in District Heating

Over 82 mln m³ of DH heated volume

Up to 90% Efficiency in CHP

Torino Nord 400 MW **CCGT Plant**

Politecnico HOB Plant

Moncalieri 2x400 MW **CCGT** Plant

Martinetto heat storage system



Over **2.100 MW**_{el} and 2.300 MW_{th}

14.000 m³ heat storage capacity

1.000.000 tons of CO₂ emissions avoided through CHP/DH







Emilia Romagna and Genova District Heating systems



In 2015, almost the entire production (over 80%) of heat was granted by high efficiency CHP plants allowing important environmental benefits.

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