

# NextGen Geothermal Power – NGP

Utilizing CO<sub>2</sub> as geothermal working fluid  
Transforming CCS facilities into cash generating power plants

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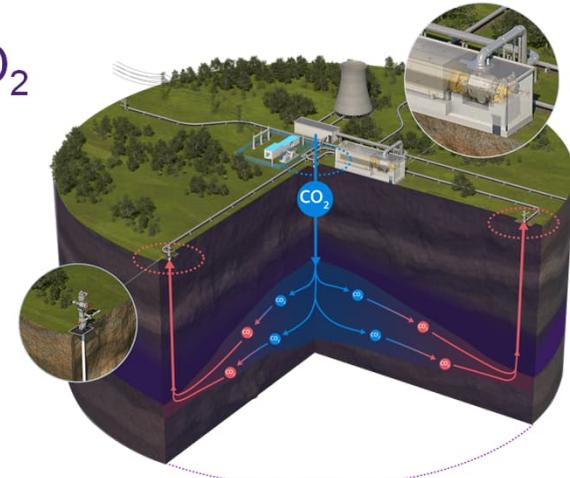
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## NextGen Geothermal Power (NGP) is using emitted CO<sub>2</sub> as working media for geothermal power generation

- NGP utilizes CO<sub>2</sub> as working fluid and provides an additional value stream to classical CCS projects and transforms CCS projects into renewable power plants
- Due to its direct cycle design NGP requires corrosion resistant CO<sub>2</sub> turbines, which are similar to the existing steam portfolio



### The challenge

- Wind and solar power are not base load capable
- Hydro based geothermal concepts are regionally restricted
- CCS is essential to limit the global warming below 2 °C but : No value add and recognized as „disposal“

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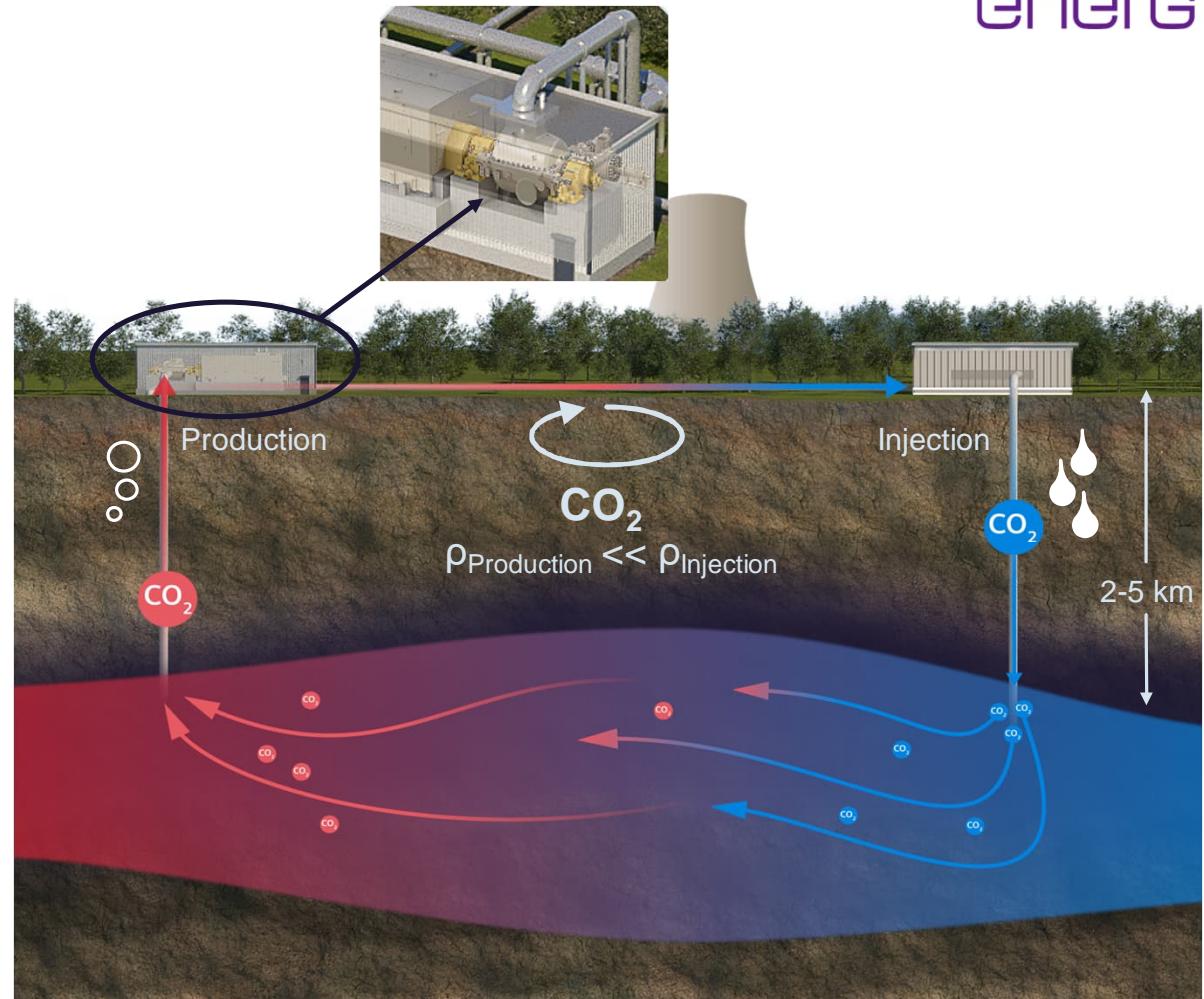
- NGP combines geothermal energy with CCS and transforms CCS to CCUS
- Thermodynamic advantages of CO<sub>2</sub> establish a strong natural circulation (thermosiphon)
- NGP supplies renewable and fully dispatchable Energy

### Value Proposition

- Cost competitive LCOE, below 100€/MWh
- Utilization of CCS projects leads to reduced financing risks for NGP
- By utilizing CO<sub>2</sub> as working medium low temperature reservoirs can be economically exploited

## NGP is using emitted CO<sub>2</sub> as working medium

- CO<sub>2</sub> is injected in sedimentary basins that host permeable reservoirs overlain by cap rocks
- heated by geothermal energy, CO<sub>2</sub> flows to the surface and expands in a turbine to generate electricity and is reinjected again (closed CO<sub>2</sub> loop)
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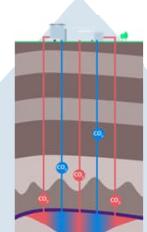


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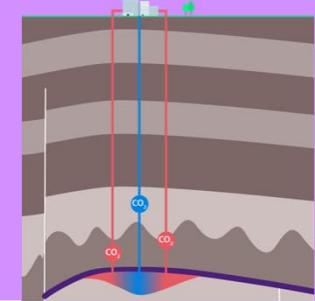
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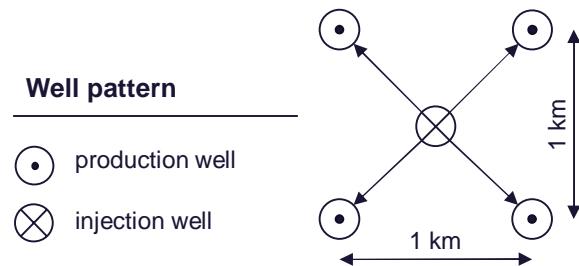


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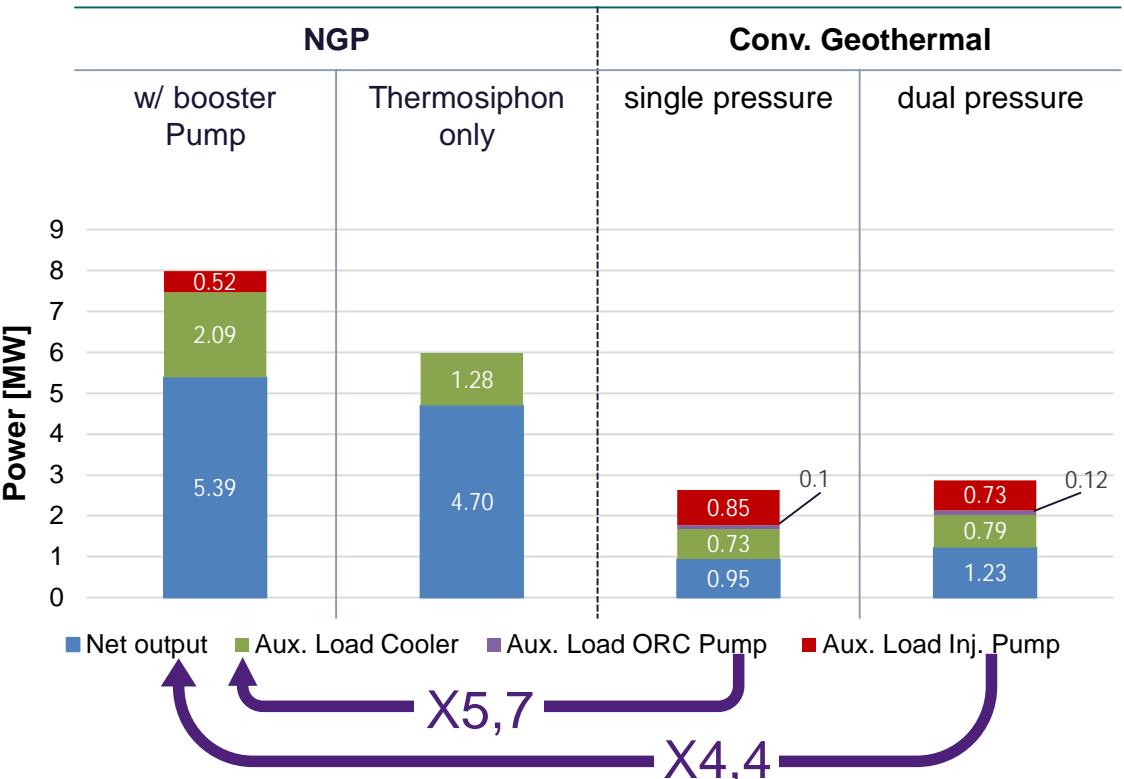
# Use Case comparison – NGP vs. Conv. Geothermal

## Geologic conditions

Well field scale [#Inj. / #Prod.]	1 / 4 (5-spot-system)
Depth	2500 m
Well diameter (casing diameter @ target)	18 5/8"
Permeability-thickness product (kh)	100 mD * 150 m (15.000 mD·m)
Temp. gradient	35 K/km



## Power Cycle Variants



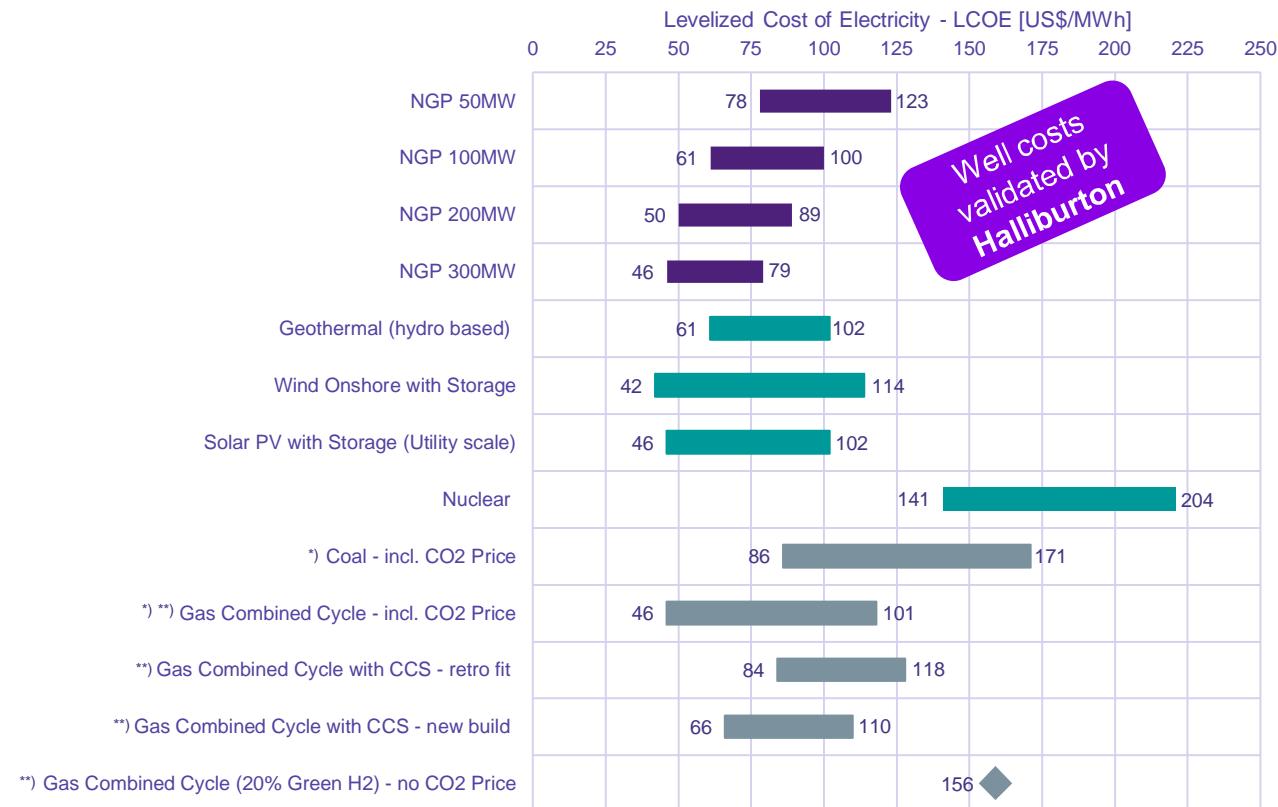
**The net power output of NGP is up to 6 times higher than for conventional geothermal.**

Assuming the same geologic boundary conditions.

Similar results can be found here: Adams et al. 2015 <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.apenergy.2014.11.043>

# LCOE - NextGen Geothermal Power

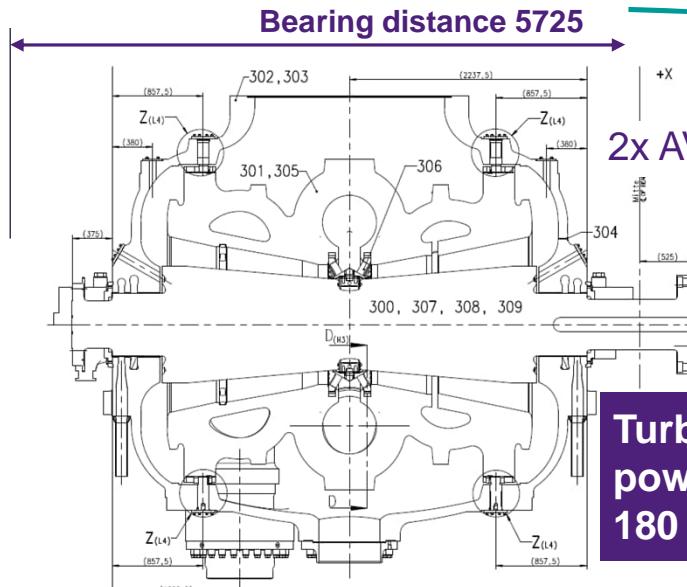
**NGP represents a competitive alternative to existing emission-free base-load capable energy technologies.**



NGP LCOE are calculated based on 5 different use cases in the US, Canada and Croatia  
 Petrol and grey columns represent results calculated by Lazard 2023  
 NGP results are calculated with the same financial boundary conditions as in Lazard LCOE report  
 \*) – 20 – 40 \$/Ton of CO2  
 \*\*) Gas fuel price \$3.45/MMBTU – \$4.15/kg Green Hydrogen

## Comparison of I50 steam turbine and NGP turbine

### Conventional Steam I50

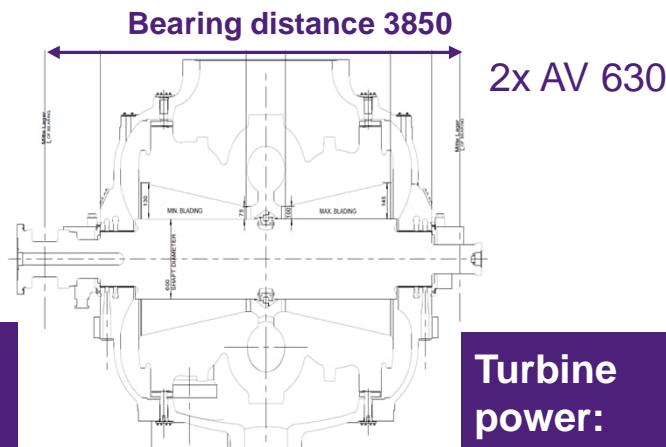


Turbine power:  
180 MW

	inlet	outlet
mass flow	346 kg/s	318 kg/s
volume flow	63 m <sup>3</sup> /s	242 m <sup>3</sup> /s
pressure	22,5 bar	3,7 bar
temperature	623°C	350°C

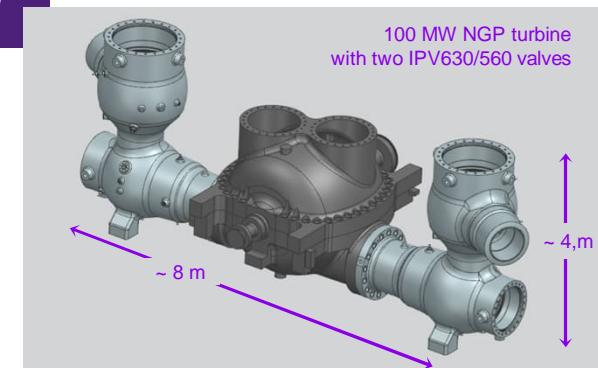
### NextGen Geothermal Power

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Turbine power:  
100 MW

	inlet	outlet
mass flow	3332 kg/s	3332 kg/s
volume flow	8 m <sup>3</sup> /s	14 m <sup>3</sup> /s
pressure	178 bar	72 bar
temperature	101°C	36°C

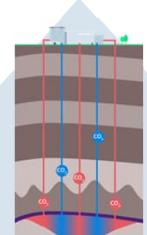


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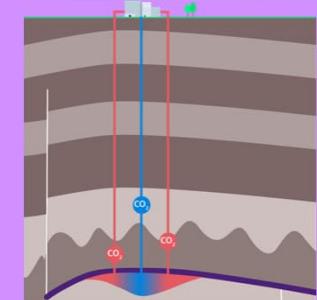
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# Proof of Concept



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Technical concept approved



Worldwide unique



Calc. models validated



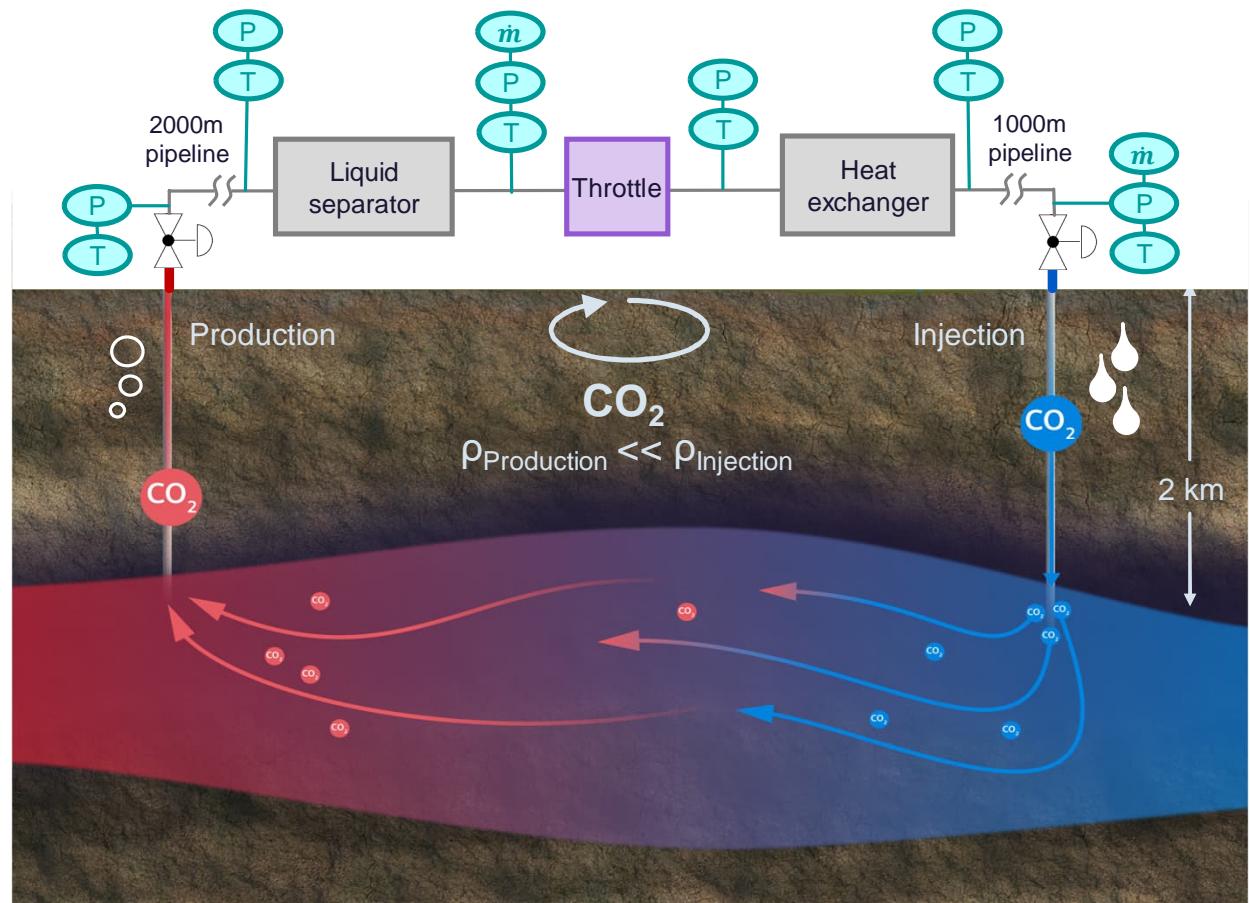
System regulation approved



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*By repurposing existing wells and a depleted oil and gas field we have been able to proof the strong natural circulation of CO<sub>2</sub> under real field conditions.*

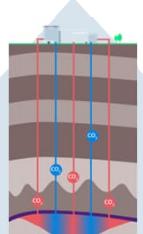


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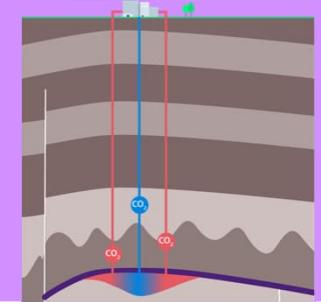
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## Demonstrator key facts

 East Europe

 3 MW<sub>el</sub>

 Start of operation 2027

 Overall CAPEX ~ 30m€

 LCOE ~115 €/MWh\*  
\*) including 40% public funding

 Local O&G Company

Oil & Gas Partner

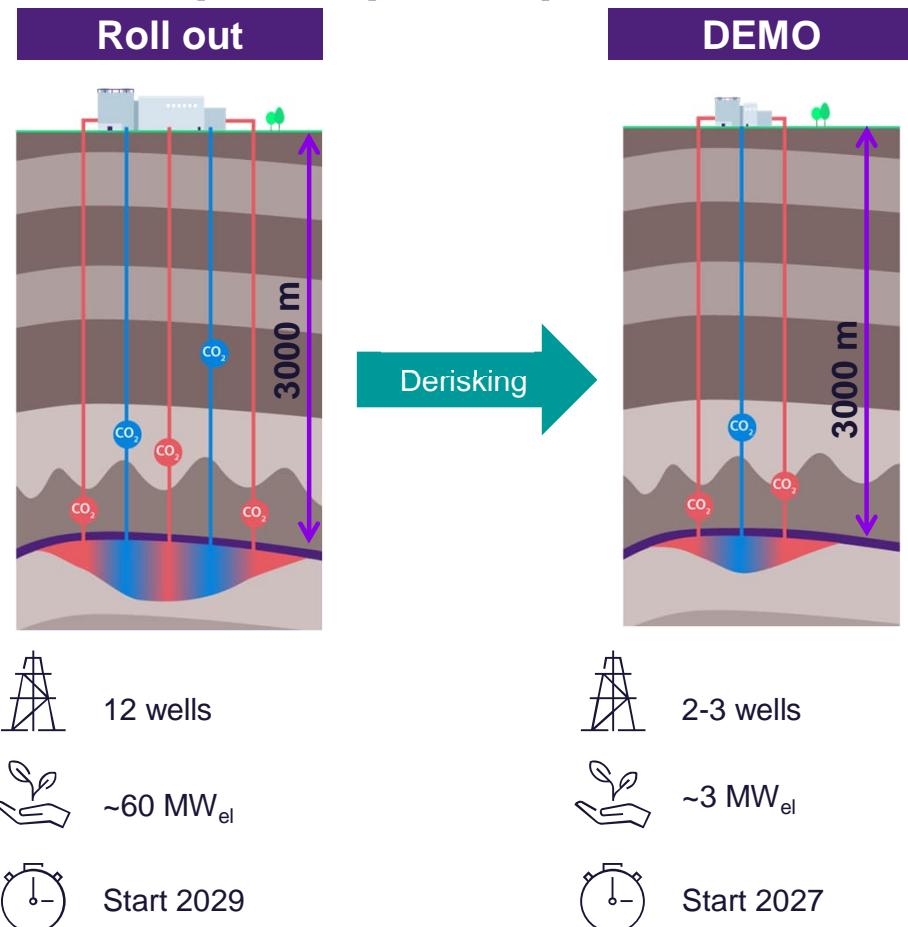
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The demonstrator location provides the potential to build an **NGP power plant up to 60MW**



# Backup



# 5MW TurboSET Footprint estimate

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