



New studies on New Energy Carriers

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ITA-COSUF

the **C**ommittee on **O**perational **S**afety
of **U**nderground **F**acilities

of the **I**nternational **T**unnelling and Underground Space
Association

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WG & COMMITTEES

We have many activities, divided into:

- 22 Working groups
- 4 Committees
- Young Members

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ITA Supporting Organisations

➤ **The first committee of ITA**

founded in 2005 GA Istanbul



➤ **Supported by PIARC**

the World Road Association



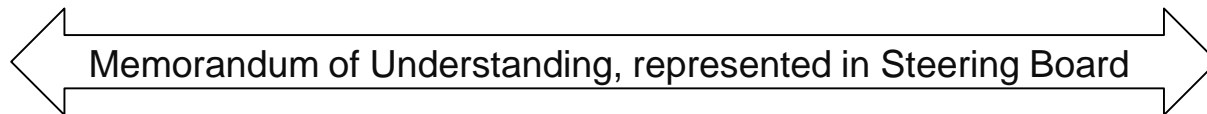
➤ **Memorandum of Understanding (PIARC/ITA):**

- ITA and PIARC activities are co-ordinated
 - PIARC represented in COSUF Steering Board
 - COSUF represented in PIARC Committee
- D.5 “Road Tunnel Operation”



ITA-COSUF

A joint initiative of 8 European research projects (FP5 / FP6)







ITA-COSUF – Strategic Positioning


- **Scope** Covers all underground facilities
- **Members** Authorities, consultants, academia, industry, contractors, operators, safety officers, etc.
- **Focus** Underground safety & security

ITA-COSUF is **THE platform for communication**
on operational safety & security

Main Objectives

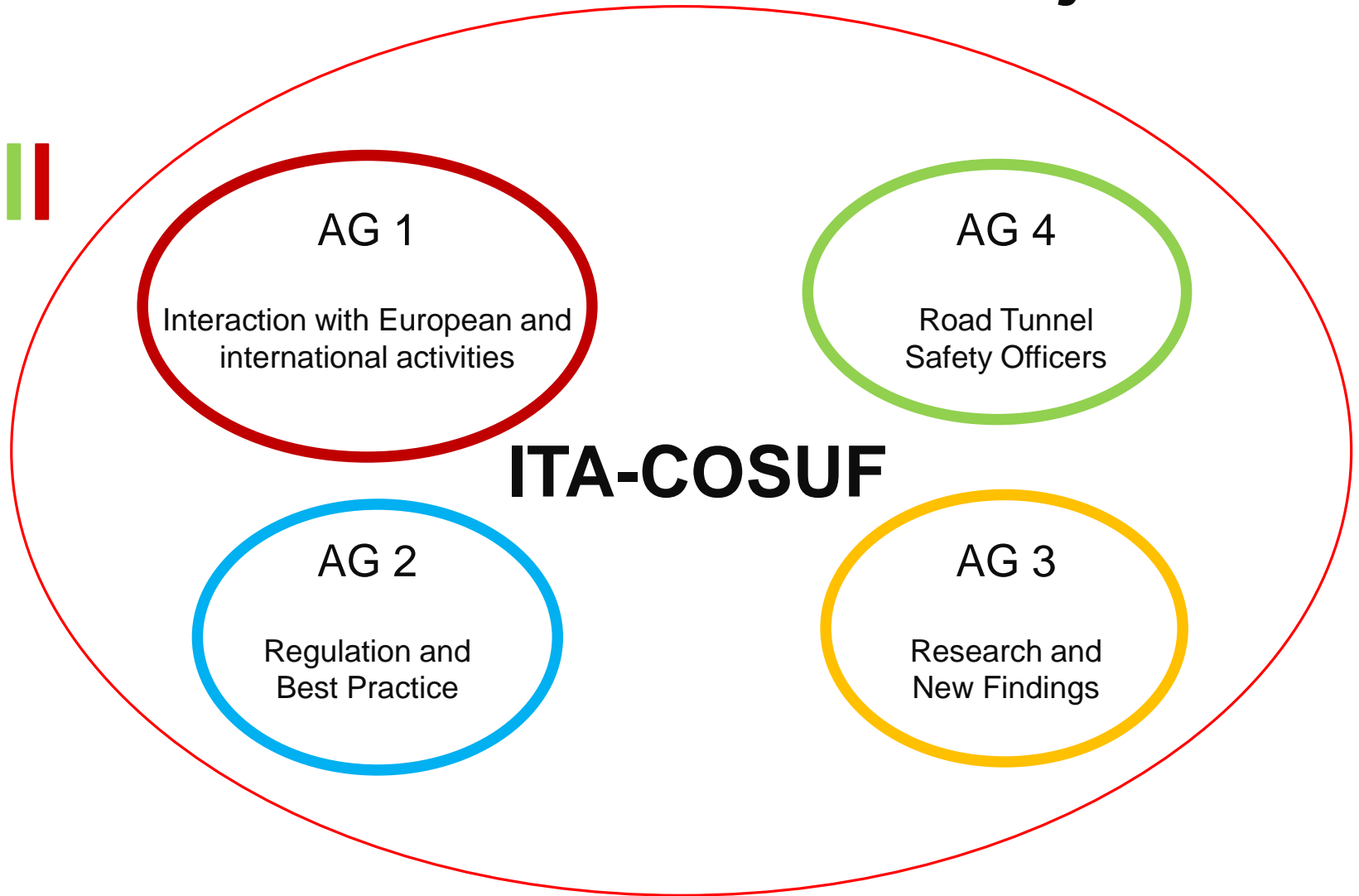
-  • Exchange knowledge
-  • Facilitate cooperation
-  • Enhance R&D activities through combining national, European and international funding and support
-  • Promote Safety & Security through
 - Fostering innovation
 - Raising awareness of Safty & Security issues
 - Supporting the development of new regulations

Resulting activities

Activity Groups 1 2 3 4


- Workshops:
 - Internal: For members only 
 - External: For the public 
- Papers & Reports:
 - Position papers 
 - Recommendations and Guidelines 
- Master Theses & Research Reports 
- Award for young researchers 
- Training with ITA-CET 
- Endorsement of 3rd party events (related topics, non-commercial) 

and how to achieve these objectives



ITA-COSUF – Activity Groups

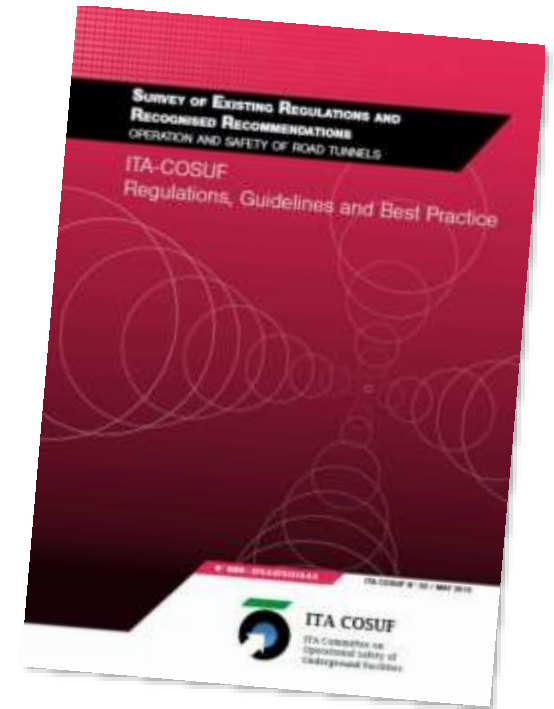
- 4 AGs are open to all ITA-COSUF members
 - 2 meetings per year at ITA-COSUF workshops
- AG 1:** Interaction with European and international activities
 - AG 2:** Regulations and best practice
 - AG 3:** Research and new findings
 - AG 4:** Road Tunnel Safety Officers

More information: www.ita-cosuf.org



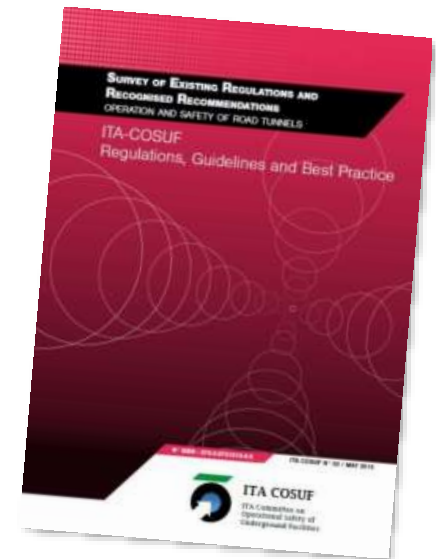
ITA-COSUF – Results

- Publications
- Workshops
- TSO Forums
- Endorsements



ITA-COSUF – Publications

- Engineering Methodology for Performance-Based Fire Safety Design of Underground Rail Systems
- Survey of Existing Regulations and Recognised Recommendations (on Operation and Safety of Road Tunnels)
- Best Practice Recommendations on Cross-Passage Design to Assure Safety in Rail and Metro Tunnels (in preparation)



ITA-COSUF – Private Workshops

- **One private workshop per year**
(for members only)

Operating Road and Rail Tunnels in Helsinki

Presentations and visits of the operation center of the Finnish Transport Agency, the western extension of the Helsinki Metro, visit to a new metro station



ITA-COSUF – Public Workshops

AFTES Conference, Paris, 13th – 15th Nov. 2017

Workshop on “Operational Issues”

Round Table Discussion “Designing, Operating and Upgrading Complex Underground Hubs”



ITA-COSUF – TSO Forums

- 4th European Road Tunnel Safety Officers Forum (2016, Rotterdam)
- 5th European Road Tunnel Safety Officers Forum (2018, Madrid)



Other events endorsed by ITA-COSUF

ISTSS 2018, Boras, 14th-16th March 2018

International Symposium on Tunnel Safety and Security

**PIARC International
Conference on road tunnel
operations and safety,
Lyon, 3rd-5th October 2018**

PIARC Technical Committee D.5
(Road Tunnel Operations)



ITA-COSUF – Future Activities

Joint PIARC + COSUF Event

Conference on
“Road Tunnel Operations and Safety”

3rd – 5th October 2018, Lyon (FR)



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Objectives

facilitate cooperation

Develop and maintain a network to facilitate cooperation worldwide



Activity Group 1

INTERACTION WITH EUROPEAN & INTERNATIONAL ACTIVITIES. Keeps contact with other external institutions, groups and projects in order to receive relevant information, to cooperate



Activity Group 2

REGULATIONS & BEST PRACTICE. Covers regulations, the state-of-the-art and best-practices internationally. This includes discussion and comparison of regulations, norms,



Activity Group 3

RESEARCH & NEW FINDINGS. Provide a platform for the exchange of knowledge in the scope of underground safety and security by bringing together the key stakeholders from academia,



Activity Group 4

ROAD TUNNEL SAFETY OFFICERS. Aims to be the Platform for European tunnel safety Officers for Exchange of experiences through its biannual Forum and Development of best



ITA-COSUF – Award



➤ **2015 Winner:** Karl Fridolf (28) for his thesis on “Evacuation in Rail Tunnels”

➤ **2016 Winner:** Wilson Rojas (26) for his thesis on “Ventilation Control in Tunnels using Helium-Technique in a small-scale models”

➤ **2017:** No thesis awarded

➤ **2018:** Call for theses open!





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„Sicherheit in unterirdischen städtischen Verkehrsbereichen bei Einsatz neuer Energieträger“

„Safety of New Energy Carrier Vehicles in urban underground transportation infrastructure“

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New Energy Carriers – an issue for Railways, too?



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Consortium - Partners

- **BAM**
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- **FOGTEC**
FOGTEC Brandschutz GmbH & Co. KG
- **STUVA**
Studiengesellschaft für Tunnel und Verkehrsanlagen e.V.



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Consortium – Associated Partners

- **DB Station & Service AG** 
- **Feuerwehr München** 
- **CETU** 
Centre d'Etudes des Tunnels
- **INERIS** 
Institut national de l'environnement industriel et des risques



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Why SUVEREN?

- 1. New Energy Carrier Vehicles on the market**
- 2. New Scenarios for safety assessment**
- 3. Need for holistic safety assessment**

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1. New Energy Carrier Vehicles on the market

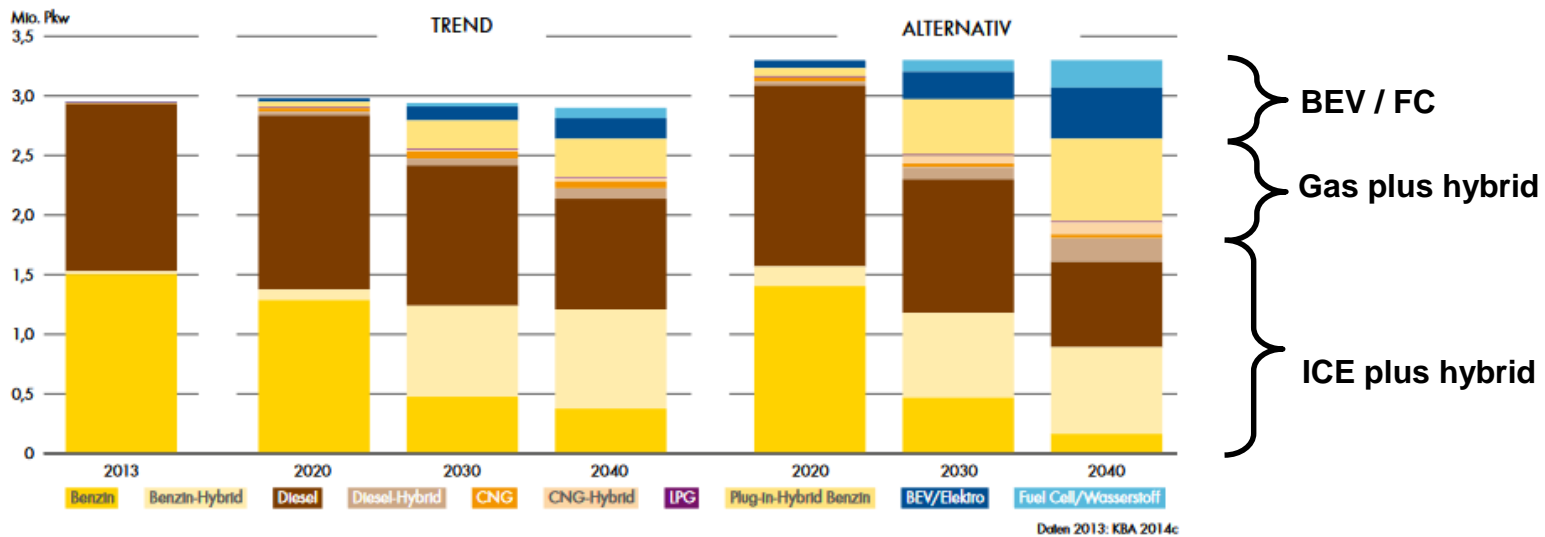
Acronym	Type of NEC Vehicle
BEV	Battery Electric Vehicles
CNG	Compressed Natural Gas Vehicles
FCEV	Hydrogen Fuel Cell (Electric) Vehicles
LPG	Liquified Petroleum Gas Vehicles
PHEV	Plug in Hybrid Electric Vehicles

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1. New Energy Carrier Vehicles on the market

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3.5/PKW-NEUZULASSUNGEN NACH ANTRIEBEN



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1. NEC – What is changing or new?

	Name	
Fuel	Diesel	Existing risks
	Petrol	
Gas	Dimethyl Ether (DME)	New risks in terms of <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Toxic gases • Fire • Explosions
	LPG (Propane)	
	CNG/LNG (Methane)	
	Hydrogen	
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	Petrol	3.5	
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	Hydrogen	0.1	↑
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Flowing into sewer systems



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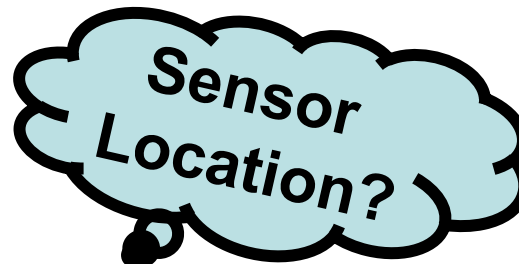
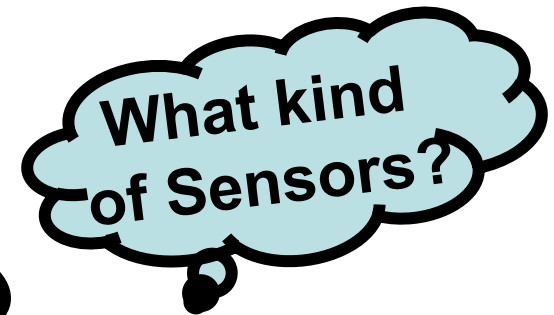
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- (2) Compressed Natural Gas Vehicle
- (3) E-Bus at Terminal
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- Subscenario 1.1: Lithium-Ion-Battery Fire
- Subscenario 1.2: BEV Fire
- Subscenario 1.3: BEV next to another car on fire
- Subscenario 1.4: BEV on fire next to Fuel Cell vehicle

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(1) Battery Electric Vehicle



Source: Website Fire Brigade Landeck, Austria

Situation awareness:

- **What kind of car?**
- **In case of a tunnel fire:
How to identify the type
of car?**
- **Impact on strategy?**

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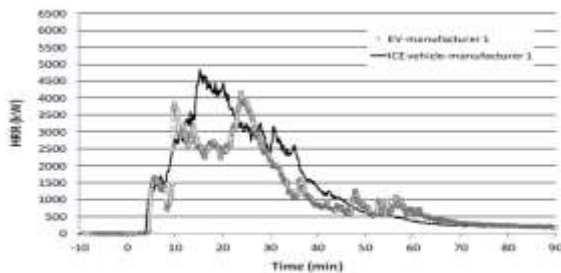


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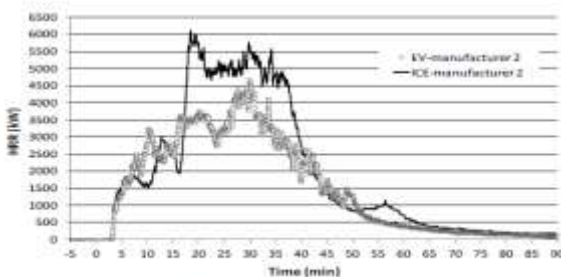


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HRR comparison:

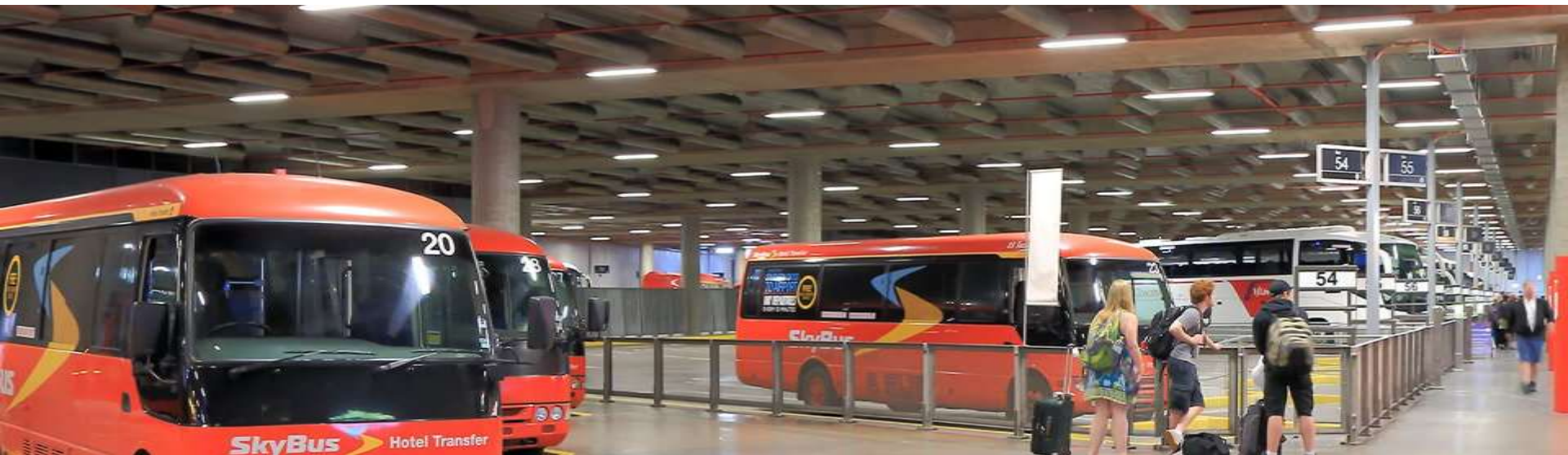
- How big is the difference?
- How to measure HRR?
- Impact on
 - Users?
 - Tactics?
 - Structures?

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(3) E-Bus at Terminal

- Geometries of busses and infrastructure?
- Charging technology and sensor location?



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(3) E-Bus at Terminal

Case Study development with support of

- Operational aspects
- Ventilation
- Charging and stored energy
- Sensors
- Fire protection systems



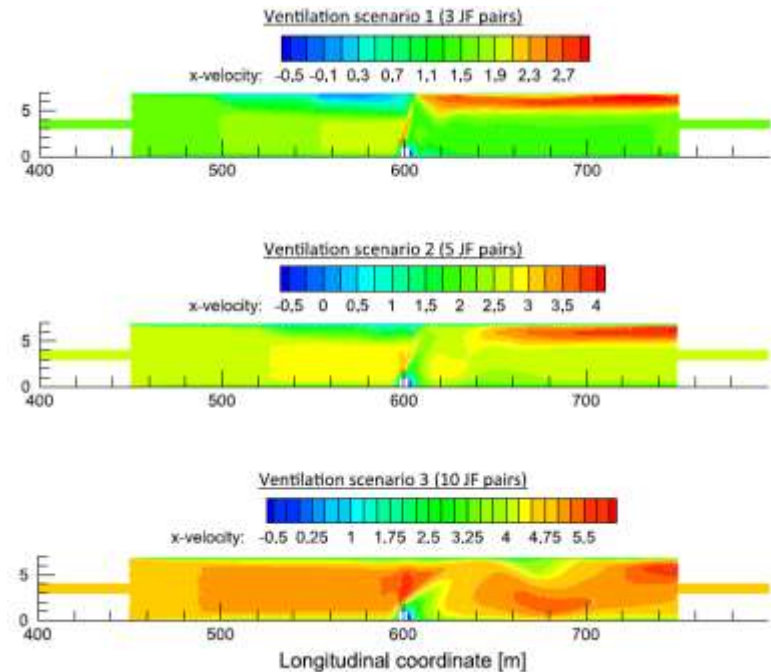
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3. Need for holistic safety assessment

Modelling

- energy release of new energy carriers
- risk scenarios
- technologies to mitigate damages

Recommendations for modelling
new energy carrier risks



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Validation of Model Simulations

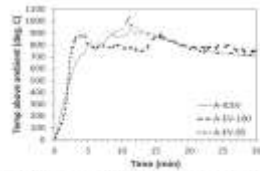


Figure 2 Average temperature inside Fokkele A.

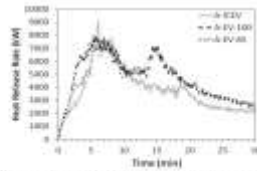


Figure 3 HRRs for Fokkele A (including 2 AHU burner contribution).

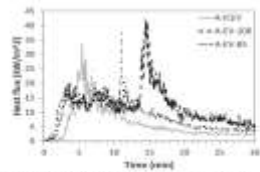


Figure 4 Radiation from rear of Fokkele A.

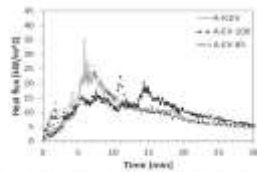
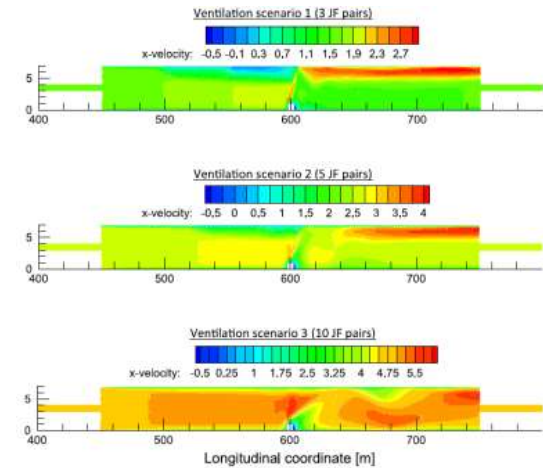


Figure 5 Radiation from passenger side of Fokkele A.



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3. Need for holistic safety assessment

Drawing conclusions:

- Discussion with Advisory Board
- ITA-COSUF Workshops on New Energy Carrier Vehicles
Spring 2019
(Committee on Operational Safety of Underground Facilities)
- Discussion with European Tunnel Safety Officers
(TSO Forum May 2018, Madrid)



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3. Need for holistic safety assessment

Drawing conclusions and contribute with

- Guidelines
- Handbook for designers, owners, operators and first responders

to the safe use of



New Energy Carrier Vehicles

ASTRA Research Project

Project title

E-mobility and tunnel safety

Partner

Amstein + Walthert, Zurich, Switzerland

Hagerbach Test Gallery, Flums, Switzerland

CETU - Centre d'Études des Tunnels



AMSTEIN + WALTHERT



ASTRA Research Project

Topic

Reaction of energy storage devices in Battery Electric Vehicles

In case of

- **Fire**
- **Collission**
- **Shortcut**
- **Malfunction during charging**

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Chemical products of Lithium-Ion-battery fire

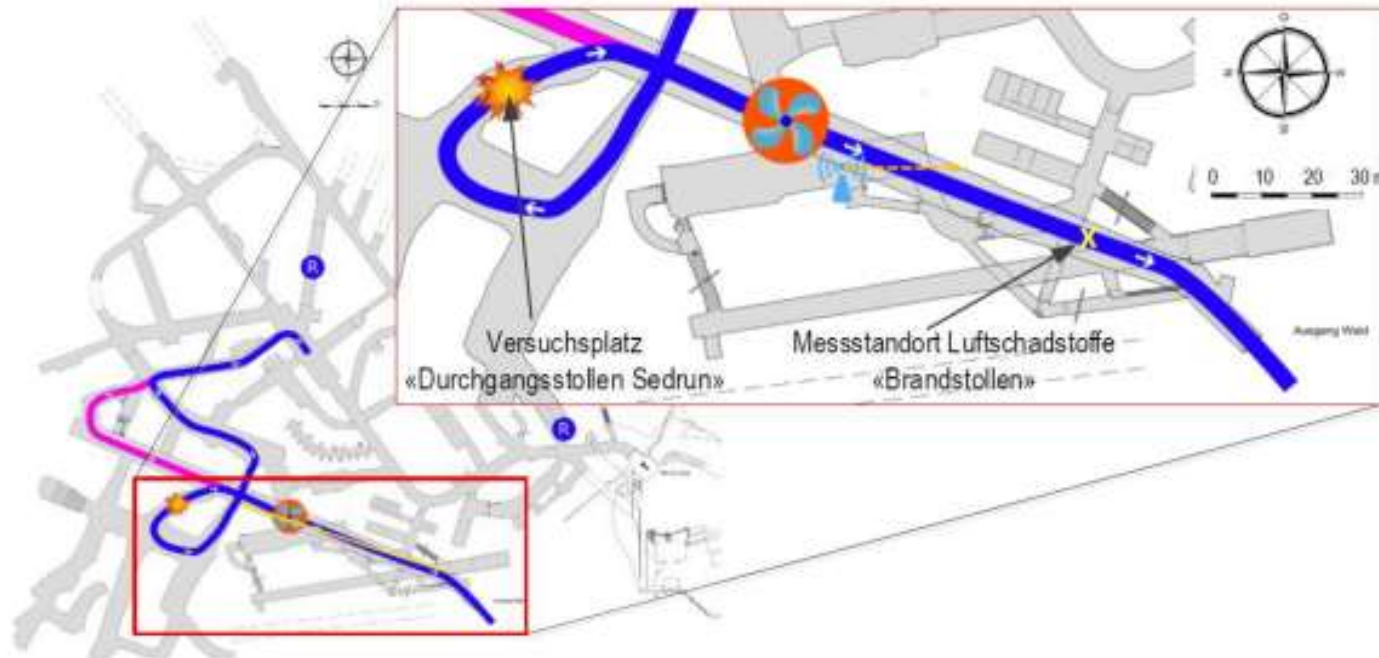
Fokus: Thermal Runaway

Mögliche Zersetzungsprodukte während eines Lithium-Ionen-Batteriebrandes

Stoff:	Formel:	Bemerkung:
Fluorwasserstoff	HF	toxisch
Phosphoroxidfluorid	POF ₃	
Phosphorsäure	H ₃ PO ₄	
VOC		
Monophosphan	PH ₃	toxisch
Schwermetallaerosole	Li, Co, Mn	toxisch, persistent

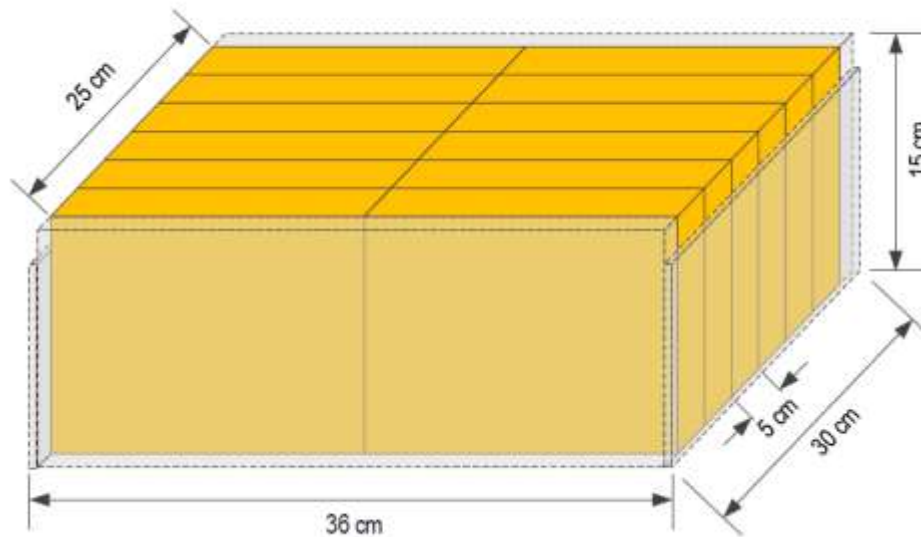
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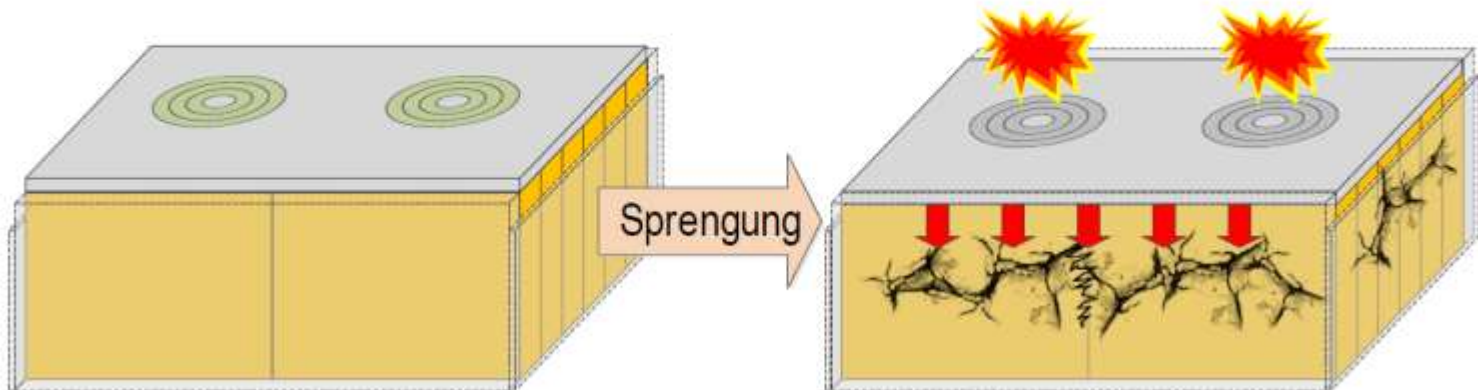
Test series Battery Pack



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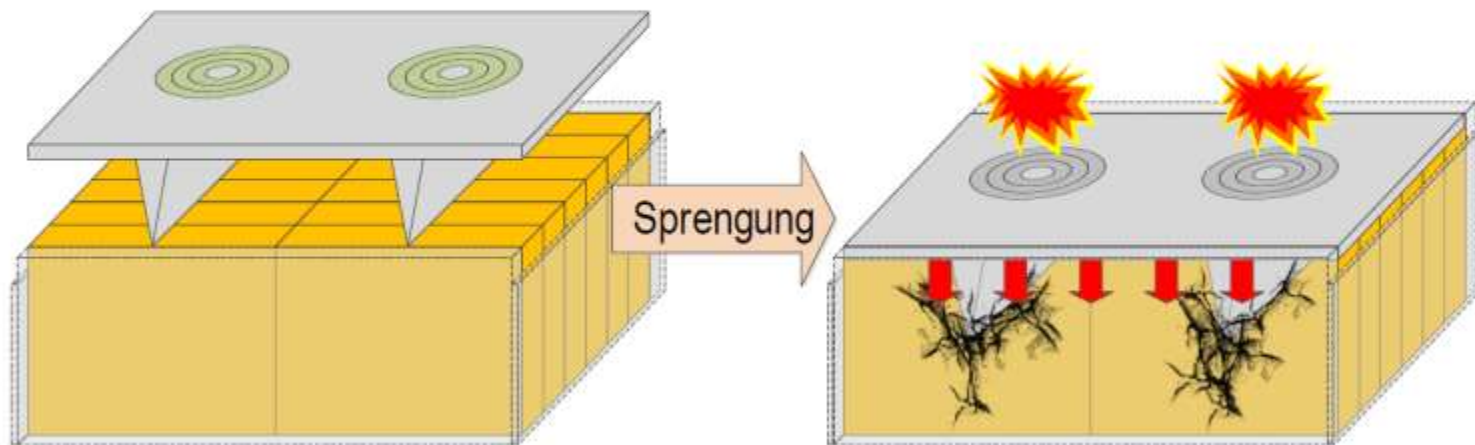
Versuch 1: Stumpfer Schlag



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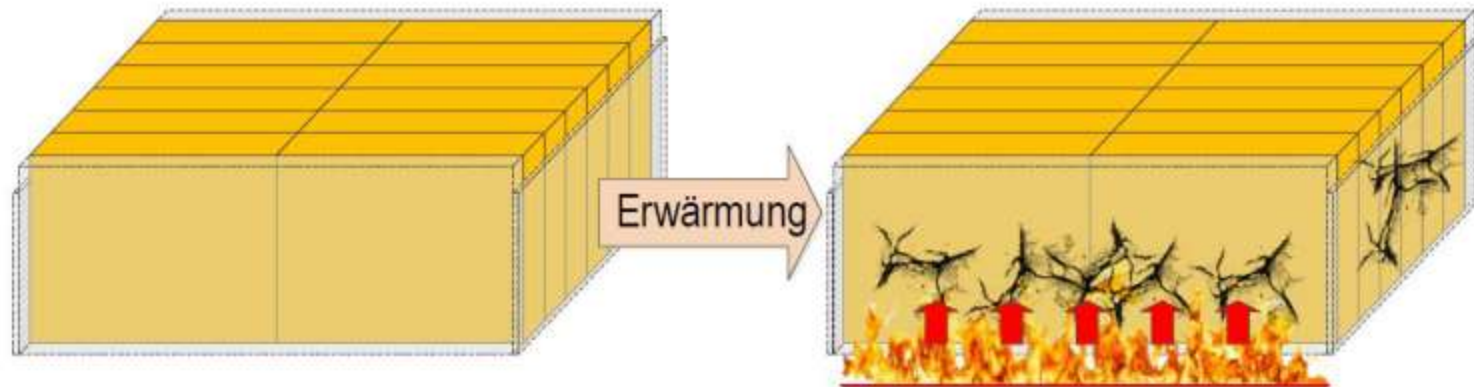
Versuch 2: Schlag mit Penetration



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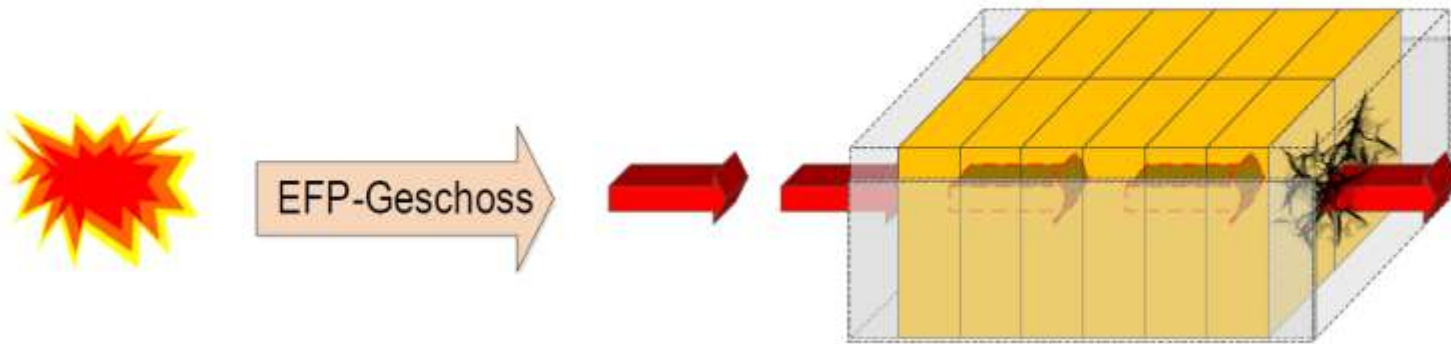
Versuch 3: Erwärmung



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Test series

Versuch 4: Penetration



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Results

Tabelle 19 Fracht / Freisetzungsmengen

Parameter	Versuch 1 («Keil»)	Versuch 2 («Platte»)	Versuch 3 ¹¹ («Durchschuss»)	Versuch 4 («Brand»)
PH ₃ [g]	< 0.4	---	< 0.4	---
F ⁻ als HF [g]	1.1	3.1	< 1	< 0.5
PO ₄ -P als H ₃ PO ₄ [g]	< 1.5	< 1.5	11.3	< 1
Co [g]	457	567	190	364
Li [g]	107	124	42	92
Mn [g]	445	536	184	349
F ⁻ Aerosol [g]	152	160	68	126
NO [g] ¹²	0.8	1.1	0.1	1.5
NO ₂ [g] ¹²	0.4	0.2	0.2	0.6
CO [g] ¹²	76	181	97	141
CO ₂ [g] ¹²	8'450	5'980	1'930	7'760
TVOC [g]	20	196	93	32
Σ Aromate [g]	1.6	8.6	3.2	3.1
Benzol [g]	1.1	3	1.6	1.7

Thank you very much for
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