ZERO BRINE Final Forum

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KEY ZERO BRINE RESULTS

MORNING SESSION





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OPENING AND WELCOME

PROGRAMME

Key ZERO BRINE Results – Morning Session

- 10:00 Opening and welcome Ir. Roelof Moll, Executive Project Coordinator, ZERO BRINE
- 10:10 Presentation of ZERO BRINE Prof.Dr.Ir. Luuk Rietveld, Chair of Department of Water Management, Technical University of Delft
- 10:30 ZERO BRINE Pilot Plants: Spain, Poland, The Netherlands and Turkey Dr. Xavier Martinez, Director of Water, Air and Soil Unit, Eurecat | Dr. Krzysztof Mitko, Assistant Professor, Silesian University of Technology | Dr.Ir. Henri Spanjers, Associate Professor and Industry Water Group Lead, Technical University of Delft | Dr. Ahmet Baban, Associate Professor and Senior Research Scientist, TÜBITAK
- 11:00 Demonstration of Brine Excellence Centres: Technologies and Simulation suites Dr. Ir. Henri Spanjers, Associate Professor and Industry Water Group Lead, Technical University of Delft
- 11:15 Demonstration of the Online Brine Platform Maria Kyriazi, Senior Researcher, National Technical University of Athens | Kees Rolest, Programme Director, Institute for Sustainable Process Technology
- 11:30 Coffee Break

ZERO BRINE Research – Afternoon Session

11:45 ZERO BRINE Special Issue – Part I

Mechanisms controlling ion rejection in membrane filtration in presence of saline multiionic mixtures *Dionysia Diamantidou, Process and R&D Engineer, Lenntech*

Valorization of Coal Mine Effluents – Challenges and Economic Opportunities Nikhil Pawar, PhD candidate, DLR

Using life cycle assessment at an early stage of design and development of zero discharge brine treatment and recovery Nilay Elginoz, Senior researcher, Swedish Environmental Institute (IVL)



12:45 Lunch Break

13:45 ZERO BRINE Special Issue – Part II

High silica concentration in RO concentrate Amir Haidari Manager of Process Technology and Innovation, Hatenboer-Water

Benthic biodiversity and environmental gradients of the Port of Rotterdam: A unique estuarine system with strong human impact *Frithjof Kuepper, Professor, University of Aberdeen*

Physicochemical model for simulating the chemical processes during the crystallization of minerals from spent Ion Exchange Regenerant Dr. Marc Arpad Boncz, Associate Professor UFMS (Brazil)

Pilot studies on circular economy solution for the coal mining sector Dr. Krzysztof Mitko, Assistant Professor, SUT

14:45 Coffee Break

Impact of ZERO BRINE – Closing Session

- **15:00** Business cases and Circular Economy Interactive Session Dr. Dimitris Xevgenos, Innovation Manager and Managing Director, ZERO BRINE
- **15:30** ZERO BRINE and EU Policy Panel Discussion: 'How can ZERO BRINE results support the development of circular economy within Europe through EU Policies?" Maria Kyriazi (Chair) | Loïc Charpentier, Water Innovation Policy Officer, Water Europe | Corinne van Voorden, Dutch Ministry of Economic Affairs, Netherlands Enterprise Agency and Member of Advisory Board, ZERO BRINE | Dr. Gijsbert Korevaar, Assistant Professor Policy Management Studies, TU Delft

16:00 Stakeholder Perspectives and Follow-up projects

Perspectives for desalination as regards Polish saline coal mine waters PhD Eng. Grzegorz Gzyl Assistant Professor at Główny Instytut Górnictwa (GIG)

Words from the Advisory Board Michiel van Haersma Buma, Chairman of the Advisory Board, ZERO BRINE

16:30 Closure

Conference Dinner + Cocktails



Luuk Rietveld Scientific Coordinator ZERO BRINE

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Luuk Rietveld is Professor of Drinking Water& Urban Water Cycle Technology. He is Chairman of the Department of Water Management, Delft University of Technology, and focuses his research activities on treatment processes. His special interests include water quality and treatment, wastewater reclamation, water supply for the poor.



PRESENTATION OF ZERO BRINE





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A circular economy approach

Industrial waste water - Resources recovery – Waste reduction Luuk Rietveld, Scientific director, TU Delft



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4 industrial sectors

From SPIRE Roadmap to Processes4Planet

Industrial Wastewater

Resource Recovery

Circular Economy

THE ZERO BRINE PILOT PROJECTS

Precipitated Silica

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Field visit partner countries Other partner countries



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Project Goal: The ZERO BRINE project aims to facilitate the implementation of the Circular Economy package and the SPIRE roadmap in various process industries by developing necessary concepts, technological solutions and business models to redesign the value and supply chains of water and minerals.

- Recovery of resources from saline impaired effluents (brines) generated by the process industry.
- > Eliminating wastewater discharges and minimizing the environmental impacts .
- Integrating several existing and innovative technologies to recover products of high quality and sufficient purity to represent good market value.



1. Demin water plant EVIDES in NL

Resources recovered:

94.7% Calcium recovery (Ca(OH)₂) for external valorisation (>95.6% purity)

87.8% Magnesium recovery (Mg(OH)₂) for external valorisation (>88.9% purity)

93% Sulphate recovery (Na₂SO₄) for external valorisation (unwashed: 94.6%

purity)





1. Demin water plant EVIDES in NL





2. Coal mine Bolesław Śmiały in Poland

Emissions: 32.5% CO₂ reduction;

Energy: 33% reduction;

Resources recovery:

90.6% water recovery (demi water)

92.8% salt recovery (99% purity)



94.9% magnesium hydroxide recovery for external valorisation (97% purity) 0.84 kg/m³ gypsum for external valorisation



3. Silica mine IQE in Spain

Emissions:

100% reduction of brine discharged to the environment;

- 60% reduction of sodium sulphate (Na₂SO₄) releases into the Ebro River;
- 6000 tons/year CO₂ reduction;
- Recovered resources:
- 90% recovery of sodium sulphate (Na₂SO₄) for valorisation (>99% purity); Sodium hydroxide (NaOH) (94% purity) and sulphuric acid (H₂SO₄) (72% purity).







4. Textile Industry at Zorlu in Turkey

Emissions:

90-95% reduction of brine discharged to the environment;

- 150-200 tons/year CO₂ reduction;
- *Resources recovery*:



70-80% water recovery from brine treatment system for onsite use; 600-700 tons salt/year for onsite dyeing of textiles.



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Techno-economical analysis



· Alternative and cheaper energy source to

· Lower water consumption by reusing the

 New supply chain of water and minerals potentially would lead to lower carbon



Knowledge development & sharing

BRINE Excellence Centres:

The Netherlands, Spain, Italy, Greece and Poland

RCE Simulation software package

Definition of technologies

D Energy

Cost





Online Brine Platform

Matchmaking between brine suppliers and salt users





Figure 4: Application of the Online Brine Platform, correlation between brine stream providers, solution providers and practitioners



Overall conclusions

From waste into products:

- Upscaling of the technologies should be further studied
- > Entrepreneurs reluctant to accept responsibilities in the circular setting.
- Government policies on waste and product are not tuned to circular use of resources yet.



Overall conclusions

Business cases:

- > Very site-specific character.
- Permits, subsidies and taxes determine the attractiveness of ZERO BRINE technologies.
- Practical considerations limit the applicability of technically sound technologies.



Overall conclusions

Sectoral development within Europe:

- Scarce minerals can be recovered from brines and re-used to reduce dependency from other continents or China.
- > A global strategy for self-sustainability within Europe is not in place yet.
- Resources, energy and basic industries would ask for additional policy instruments to encourage implementation of circular economy solutions.



Xavier Martinez Director of Water, Air and Soil Unit Eurecat

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Xavier Martinez is a chemical engineer and environmental researcher with professional activities focusing on the design, execution and coordination of R+D+I projects in the field of chemistry, environmental chemistry and water treatment technologies. Currently, he leads the Water, Air and Soil Unit at Eurecat.



ZERO BRINE PILOTS – SILICA FACTORY (SPAIN)







Krzysztof Mitko Assistant Professor SUT

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Dr. Mitko is an assistant professor at the Silesian University of Technology, Faculty of Chemistry. His research interests include electromembrane processes (electrodialysis, electrodeionization, membrane capacitive deionization); removal of metal ions from the waste waters; seawater, coal mine water and industrial wastewater desalination.



ZERO BRINE PILOTS – COAL MINE (POLAND)







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ZERO BRINE PILOTS – DEMINERALISED WATER PLANT (THE NETHERLANDS)







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ZERO BRINE PILOTS – TEXTILE FACTORY (TURKEY)







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DEMONSTRATION OF THE BRINE EXCELLENCE CENTRES (BECs): TECHNOLOGIES & SIMULATION SUITES





RCE simulation platform

Modeling of Circular Economy-based WW Treatment Chains ZERO BRINE Final Forum, 4th November 2021

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- What is RCE?
- Technology Tools published via RCE
- Illustration of a modeled Treatment Chain







What is RCE?

- Remote Component Environment (RCE)¹ is an open-source, distributed integration environment which can be used to simulate complex treatment chains by combining Tools developed and shared by different teams within a project
- **Tools**: These could be techno-economic modeling of a treatment technology like nanofiltration (NF)
- **Application**: To determine economic feasibility of a proposed treatment chain by performing its techno-economic simulation





Technology Tools published via RCE

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Illustration of a modeled Treatment Chain



- **Example**: Coalmine effluent treatment chain (Polish case study)
- Technologies: NF, CaSO₄ & Mg(OH)₂ precipitators, RO, ED, MED and NaCl Evaporator
- **Goal**: Estimate economic feasibility of the chain



Further Information



- To explain and encourage the implementation of wastewater treatment chain simulations on RCE, exemplary workflows and RCE Cookbook are available
- For more information on this and getting access to the Technology Tools:
 - Dr. Benjamin Fuchs (Benjamin.Fuchs@dlr.de)
 - Nikhil Pawar (<u>Nikhil.Pawar@dlr.de</u>)





Demonstration of Brine Excellence Centers: Technologies and Simulation Suites





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WP5: Optimization of innovative technologies - Integration of bench-scale and optimized pilot systems into fullyequipped <u>Brine Excellence Centers (BECs)</u> – Development of technology libraries (software tool) and integration into a common platform

- Task 5.1: Upgrade of pilot brine treatment systems
- Task 5.2: Development of BECs (equipment, plan)
- Task 5.3: Development of software tool and integration





Deliverables

- D5.1: Plan for the shared use of BEC modules
- D5.2: Software tools for the simulation of brine treatment technologies (technology libraries and integrated platform)







Brine Excellence Centres (BECs





cus on developing a process for the separation and recovery of salts, minerals, and clean water from brines. The BEC is equipped with bench-scale and industrial pilot scale technologies that operate as part of a process train or independently, more specifically, Eutectic Freeze Crustallisation, Nanofiltration, Ion exchange, and Reverse Osmosis Filtration. In addition to technologies, NL BEC is equipped with analytical and measuring instruments to assess the physical, chemical, and microbial characteristics of brine solutions.

IS YOUR COMPANY OR ORGANISATION INTERESTED IN TESTING ITS BRINES? CONTACT FOR MORE INFORMATION:

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NETHERLANDS BRINE EXCELLENCE CENTRE

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- Ion Chromatography (IC)
- Inductively coupled plasma mass spectrometry (ICP-MS)
- TOC analyser
- High-performance liquid chromatography (HPLC)
- Liquid chromatography–mass spectrometry (LC-MS)
- Gas chromatography for VFA and Biogas
- Digital Microscopes
- Isotope Analyser
- Particle Counter Particle Size Distribution Analyser (PSD)
- Rheometer











INDUSTRIAL PILOT SCALE

BENCH-SCALE TECHNOLOGIES

- Nanc Reverse Osmosis (RO)
- Closed Circuit Reverse Osmosis (CCRO)
- Ion Exchange columns (IX)
- Electrodialusis (ED)
- Bipolar Membrane Electrodialysis (EDBM)
- Eutectic Freeze Crystalliser (EFC)
- Anaerobic Membrane Bioreactor (AnMBR)
- Up-flow Anaerobic Sludge Blanket (UASB)



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The core research activities at the NL BEC fo-





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BEC follow-up examples

 Sustainable Bottle Washer (Heineken): Recovery of caustic from bottle washer effluent

• Brine2Beton (NEOM): use residual brine in production new materials









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DEMONSTRATION OF THE ONLINE BRINE PLATFORM (OBP)



Online Brine Platform Towards Circularity and Industrial Symbiosis

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The idea of an industrial symbiosis platform

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Zero Brine aims to the implementation of smart systems which can contribute to the elimination of the negative impacts from brine discharge

The idea of an industrial symbiosis platform

- The economic feasibility is based on the value of the products that water treatment systems can produce.
- These products must be raw materials that the market needs and
- The income from their exploitation must be higher than the capital and operational cost of the system used for their production.
- Even in case that valuable raw materials are produced many problems about their exploitation have been noticed.
- ZB project tried to solve this problem bringing in contact all the actors of this market with an easy and immediate way.

Aim of the Online Brine Platform

The OBP enables the creation of a network among different stakeholders, active in the domain of brines.

OBP addresses to industries or SMEs :

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Distribution of platform users according to the role they select during their registration

Distribution of platform users according to the country their enterprise or organization is based

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Registered effluents per EWC code

Thank you for your attention!

- Institute for Sustainable Process Technology
 - Program director Industrial Fluids Processing

- KWR Water Research Institute
 - Senior scientific researcher Energy & Circular Systems
 - Project manager
 - Programme Manager TKI Water Technology projects KWR

Institute for Sustainable Process Technology (ISPT)

- Independent open innovation platform, founded by and for the process industry.
- Facilitates research and development of sustainable process technologies through joint projects in which process industries, knowledge institutes and technology providers collaborate.
- Collaboration, sharing and dissemination is crucially needed to accelerate innovation.

"...Creating an **environment of trust** among companies, knowledge institutes and technology providers that share a common goal..."

A cluster is a set of multiple innovation activities with a common theme, all results are shared.

WHAT RESOURCES CAN THE ZERO BRINE PROCESS RECOVER?

Salts (sodium chloride, potassium salts, carbonates, other salts)

Clean water

Waste heat

Online Brine Platform (zerobrine.eu)

ONLINE BRINE PLATFORM

→Match brine producers with endusers

Match brine recovery/treatment needs with technology providers

→Online market place for brines

ONLINE BRINE PLATFORM

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Online Brine ZERO BRIME Platform (OBP)	≡ 🛛 🖉 🖗									
Dashboard	OBP Role	ZERO BRINE Platform / OBP Role								
My Role: Q Search > Image: Statistics >	USER ROLE Please select how you intend to use the OBP. You can have a single or a multiple OBP role.									
 Messages My Notes Announcements 	Brine Owner Entity owning saline wastewaters	Mineral/Water User Entity using minerals or water for	Technology Provider Entity providing treatment	Waste Heat Provider Entity with available waste heat						
FAQ OBP Portal	streams	different purposes	technologies for saline effluents	flow						
*TP ZERO BRINE Project	Update User	* • •								

- Since 2016, the goal is for the Netherlands to have a completely circular economy by 2050!
- Circular Economy Accelerator portal (Versnellingshuis)
- Responsibility for waste generated potential further expansion of producer responsibility, Circular design, Targeted price incentives (high prices for not sustainable products and financial benefits for sustainable companies), Circular procurement

Government of the Netherlands

Online training sessions

• Online Training for Industrial Cluster Authorities Towards Circularity and Industrial Symbiosis

- Online Training for Companies: Towards Circularity and Industrial Symbiosis
- Capacity building (Circular Economy, Industrial Ecology, Industrial Symbiosis)
- Demonstration events
- Online Brine Platform (video, tutorial and questionnaire)

Demonstration events

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- Five (5) workshops promote the OBP, increase capacity building and raise awareness about industrial symbiosis via a serious game:
 - Delfzijl/Emmen,
 - Amsterdam,
 - Chemelot,
 - Zeeland and
 - Rotterdam

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Online Brine Platform

ONLINE BRINE \equiv 2 0 8 PLATFORM (OBP) ZERO BRINE ZERO BRINE Platform / Dashboard Dashboard - Dashboard RECOVERED MATERIALS REQUIRED MATERIALS TOTAL USERS MATCHES EFFLUENTS TECHNOLOGY PROVIDERS WASTE HEAT PROVIDERS My Role: 2382 5 5 13 11 17 8 fl': Waste Heat Provider > Q Search Statistics/Metrics WELCOME TO THE OBP ANNOUNCEMENTS INBOX The OBP is an innovative prototype platform in the domain of saline wastewater management aiming to promote resource Messages 0 Welcome efficiency and circular economy. The OBP is developed by National Technical University of Athens in the framework of ZERO BRINE project. The OBP aims to play a key role in replicating the paradigms generated in the framework of the ZERO BRINE Online Brine Platform is live! My Notes project. In the OBP, the brine streams generated by process industries (Brine Owners) as well as the raw materials (minerals) and the Announcements water streams used by these industries (Mineral/Water Users) will be mapped together with the available technologies (Technology Providers) and waste heat streams (Waste Hear Providers). Possible interactions between the industries across the value chain will be identified. Brine Owners and Mineral/Water Users could be automatically matched, by the OBP algorithm. ? FAQ In addition to the OBP, a web portal is created to access specific information in the domain of saline waste water management. OBP Portal A collaboration tool (forum) is embedded to the portal in order to facilitate communication between key stakeholders. **TTP** ZERO BRINE Project

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Database with brine producers & minerals end-users

• Contains:

- Brine producers
 - Qualitative information: Cluster, sector, etc.
 - Quantitative information: chloride release, sulphates release, etc
- Minerals end-users:
 - Quality
 - Quantity

	А	В	С	D	E	F	G	н	1
1	Company name	Cluster	Production	Sector	Amount of chloride (kta/year)	Amount of Sulphates (kta/year)	Total Organic Carbon (kg/year)	Total Nitrogen (kg/year)	Emitted to
2			Utilities	& Other sta	keholders	important	t for the C	luster	
3	Waternet: RWZI West	Amsterdam	Wastewater treatment plant	Water treatment	15.71	0.6264	817300	565000	Surface waters
4	Waternet: RWZI Westpoort	Amsterdam	Wastewater treatment plant	Water treatment	10.21	0.2486	394600	183300	Surface waters
5	A1	Amsterdam	The cluster operator	-	-	-	-	-	
6	A2	Amsterdam	Online platform	-	-	-	-	-	-
7	Companies								
8	Afval Energie Bedrijf (AEB Amsterdam)	Amsterdam	Separation/Incineration of waste	Waste Processing	3.414	-	4227	1782	Surface waters
9	Albemarle Catalysts Company	Amsterdam	bromine, refining catalysts (for	Chemical	negligible	negligible	negligible	32880	Sewers
10	A3	Amsterdam	Road construction products	Construction	na	na	na	na	na
11	A4	Amsterdam	Bio-based chemicals + Catalysts	Chemical/R&D	na	na	na	na	na
12	A5	Amsterdam	Soy products, emulsifiers and other foodstuff	Food	na	na	na	na	na
13	A6	Amsterdam	Production of biodiesel from waste fats and oils	Chemical	na	na	na	na	na
14	Sonneborn Refined Products B.V.	Amsterdam	from base and petroleum oils	Chemical	0.03489	0.7567	10100	negligible	Surface waters
15	Cargill (Multiseed)	Amsterdam	Oilseed crushing facility	Food	0.07201	negligible	28970	1754	Load to sewers
16	Cargill (Soja)	Amsterdam	Soya processing	Food	0.02978	0.5105	na	7349	Load to sewers
17	Chemtura Netherlands BV (now Lanxess)	Amsterdam	Flame retardant and lubricant additives	-	0.09058	negligible	negligible	negligible	Load to sewers
18	ICL Fertilizers	Amsterdam	Fertilizer production	Chemical	0.02575	na	na	na	Load to sewers

- Lack of information sharing

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Thank you

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COFFEE BREAK

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