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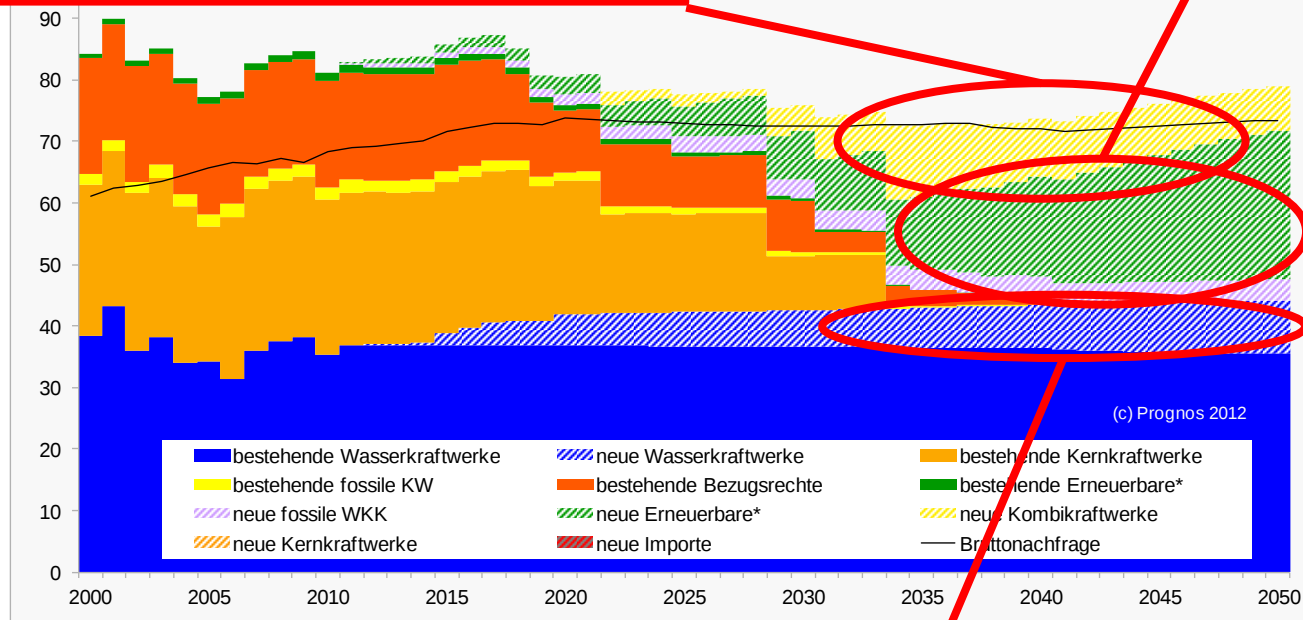
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ES 2050: Targets for supply of electricity

Is the geological capture of CO₂ a viable measure to enable carbon-free generation of electricity from hydrocarbon resources ?

Can we extract safely the deep geothermal heat and produce at competitive costs 7% of the national baseload supply ?



Can we increase (i.e. by 10%) the present hydropower electricity production under changing demand, climate and operating conditions ?

Deep Geothermal Energy & CO2 Sequestration

WP1 Geo-energies

- T1.1 Resource exploration, assessment and characterization
- T1.2 Reservoir modeling and validation
- T1.3 P&D for reservoir creation
- T1.4 Geo-data infrastructure

HydroPower: usage & infrastructure

WP2 Hydropower

- T2.1 Morphoclimatic controls of future HP production
- T2.2 Socio-economic drivers of future HP production
- T2.3 HP infrastructure adaptation
- T2.4 Environmental impacts of future HP operating conditions
- T2.5 Integrated simulation of HP systems operation

WP3 Innovative technologies

- T3.1 Geo-energy technologies
- T3.2 Hydraulic machines

WP4 Integrative activities

- T4.1 Risk, safety and societal acceptance
- T4.2 Global observatory of electricity resources
- T4.3 SCCER-SoE modeling facility

Capacity building, Technology Transfer, Outreach

Evaluation 2015

Evaluation 2015 very positive for SCCER-SoE and NFP70

Key points raised:

- Focus more stringently on the quantitative targets of the ES2050 and envisage concrete, substantial contributions
- Strengthen the collaboration with the interested industry
- Energy turnaround is a huge venture affecting the whole society, think big and not in incremental improvements
- Reopen technology portfolio
- Clear TRL track for GE technologies, as for HP
- Expand training activities
- Collaboration and joint activities with other SCCERs
- Integrate PV, WP and Bioenergy in energy system modeling
- Calibrate focus on SHPP
- Include risk analysis and safety for LHPP
- Push for P&D

The Phase 2 SCCER-SoE proposal, covering the period 2017-2020, was submitted on March 30, 2016, with the following objectives:

- Expand scope and reach
 - Maintain the funding level of 2016-2017
 - New emphasis on P&D projects
 - Innovation update
 - Expand KTT
 - Risk analysis
 - Develop Joint Activities across SCCERs
 - Beyond 2020
 - Propose 80% and 120% scenarios, in addition to the 100% baseline
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- **The proposal has been (very) positively evaluated, the 100% scenario is confirmed and 2 Joint Activities have been approved !**

Taking into account the developments achieved in Phase I and the feedback to the innovation roadmaps developed, the scope for Phase II will be expanded in a number of critical directions:

- A wider perimeter of the Geo-Energies, maintaining the focus on exploration and Deep Geothermal Energy and adding new targets on usage of hydrothermal resources for direct heating and heat storage (new T1.3) and direct applications of CO₂ for geothermal heat exchange and sequestration.
- A refocusing of the HydroPower WP2, with 4 Tasks and five key overarching targets:
 - a) Increase of flexibility in hydropower operation - structural and operation requirements
 - b) Update of climate change impacts on HP production and needed adaptation strategies
 - c) Extreme natural hazards and risk of HP operation
 - d) Design of new projects under uncertainties
 - e) Reservoir sedimentation and sustainable use of storage HP

SCCER-SoE P2: expanded scope, 2

- A clearer focus of the innovation agenda (WP3), now including innovative technologies (T3.1) and computational energy innovation (new T3.2, formerly T4.3), with the opening of a new AP in Computational Energy at USI
- A clear track for technology developments, with SCCER funding for the selected technologies for up to four years, resulting in either (i) industry support after reaching TRL 5-6 and implementation in P&D projects, or (ii) abandonment if not promising (a possible outcome for high-risk low-TRL technologies).
- A more integrated approach to the future supply of electricity (WP4), with
 - I. an expanded scope of the risk assessment activities to encompass also risk of large dams (T4.1)
 - II. a wider scope of the evaluation of global electricity resources and technologies (T4.2)
 - III. new resources and a closer integration with CREST on the socio-economic-political drivers of electricity supply (new T4.3, expanded from former T2.4)
- A new SCCER Joint Activity on *Scenario and Modeling* (new T4.4), encompassing all eight SCCERs (lead SCCER-SoE).
- A new SCCER Joint Activity on *Socio-political conditions of the extension of hydropower and geothermal energy*, with CREST (Lead) and SCCER-SoE.

SCCER-SoE P2: expanded scope, 3

- A new focus (WP5) on P&D projects, with 7 P&D projects under implementation or in an advanced stage of planning, for the implementation of innovative technologies (WP3) and of the integrative approaches and solutions developed in WP1-2; dedicated resources as part of the Phase II budget will be devoted to P&D project management:

Demo-1: Flagship stimulation experiment in the Deep UnderGround Laboratory
ETHZ, NAGRA, UniNe

Demo-2: Reservoir engineering for heat exchange in Haute Sorne
GeoEnergie Suisse, ETHZ, UniNe

Demo-3: Geneva basin-scale hydrothermal play for heat extraction and storage
UniGe, UniBe, SIG

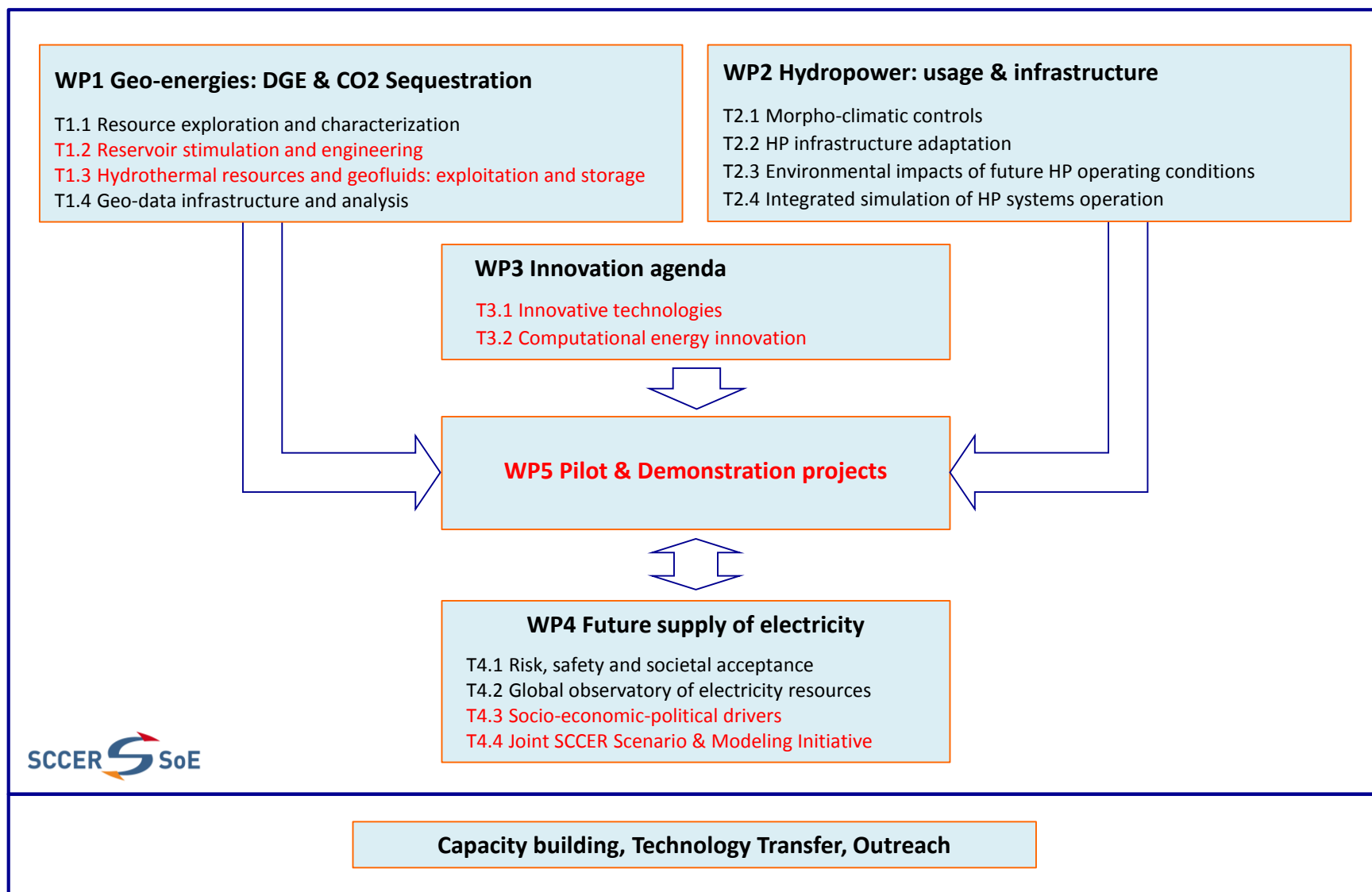
Demo-4: CO₂ geological storage pilot, *ETHZ, EPFL, UniGe, UniGE*

Demo-5: Small Hydro-Power Plant, *HES-SO, WP2*

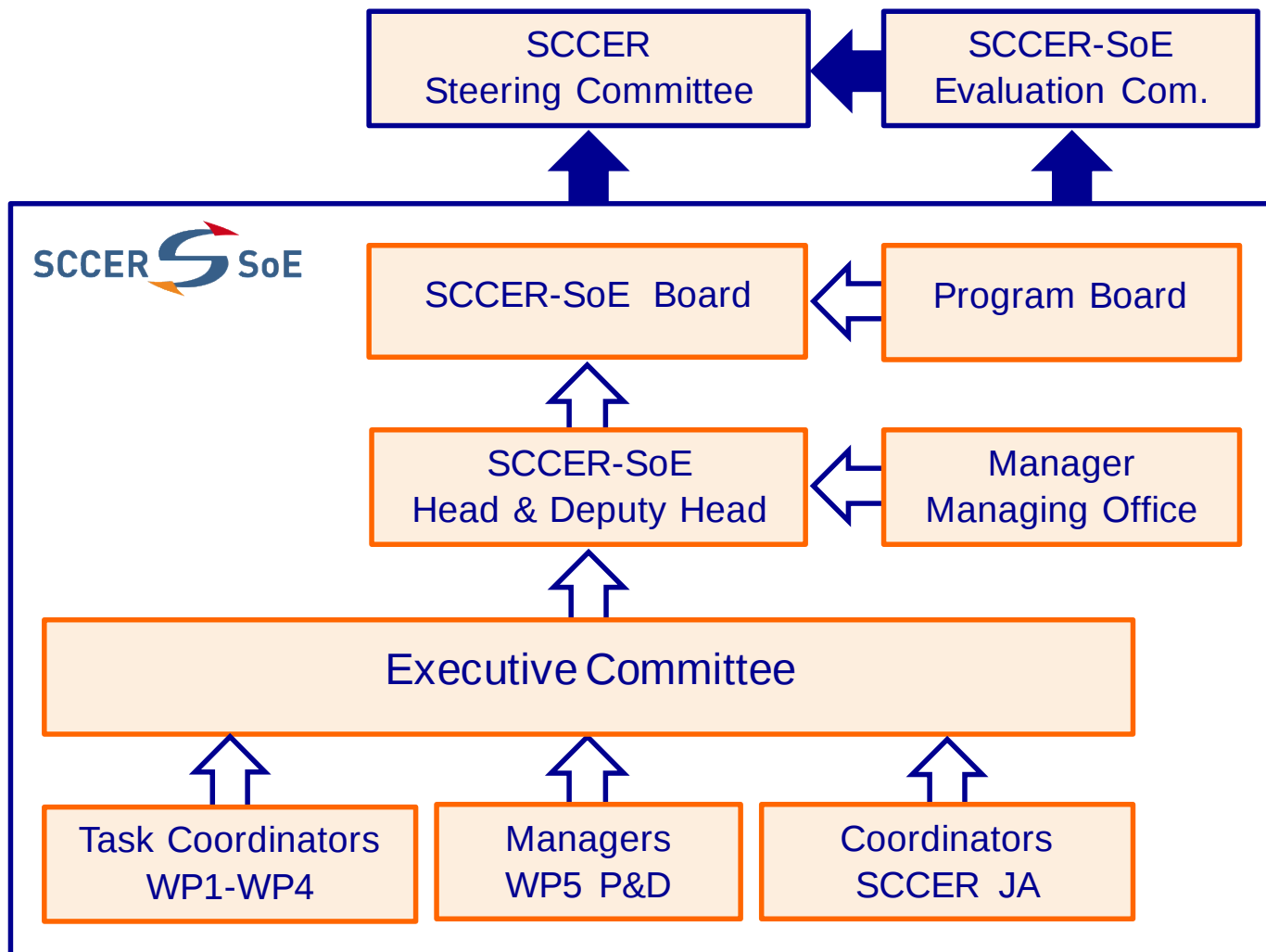
Demo-6: Controlled fine sediment release from a reservoir by a hydrodynamic mixing device, *EPFL, WP2*

Demo-7: Complex large hydropower scheme, *EPFL, WP2*

SCCER-SoE P2: expanded architecture



SCCER-SoE P2: governance



SCCER-SoE P1: research partners

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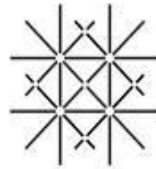
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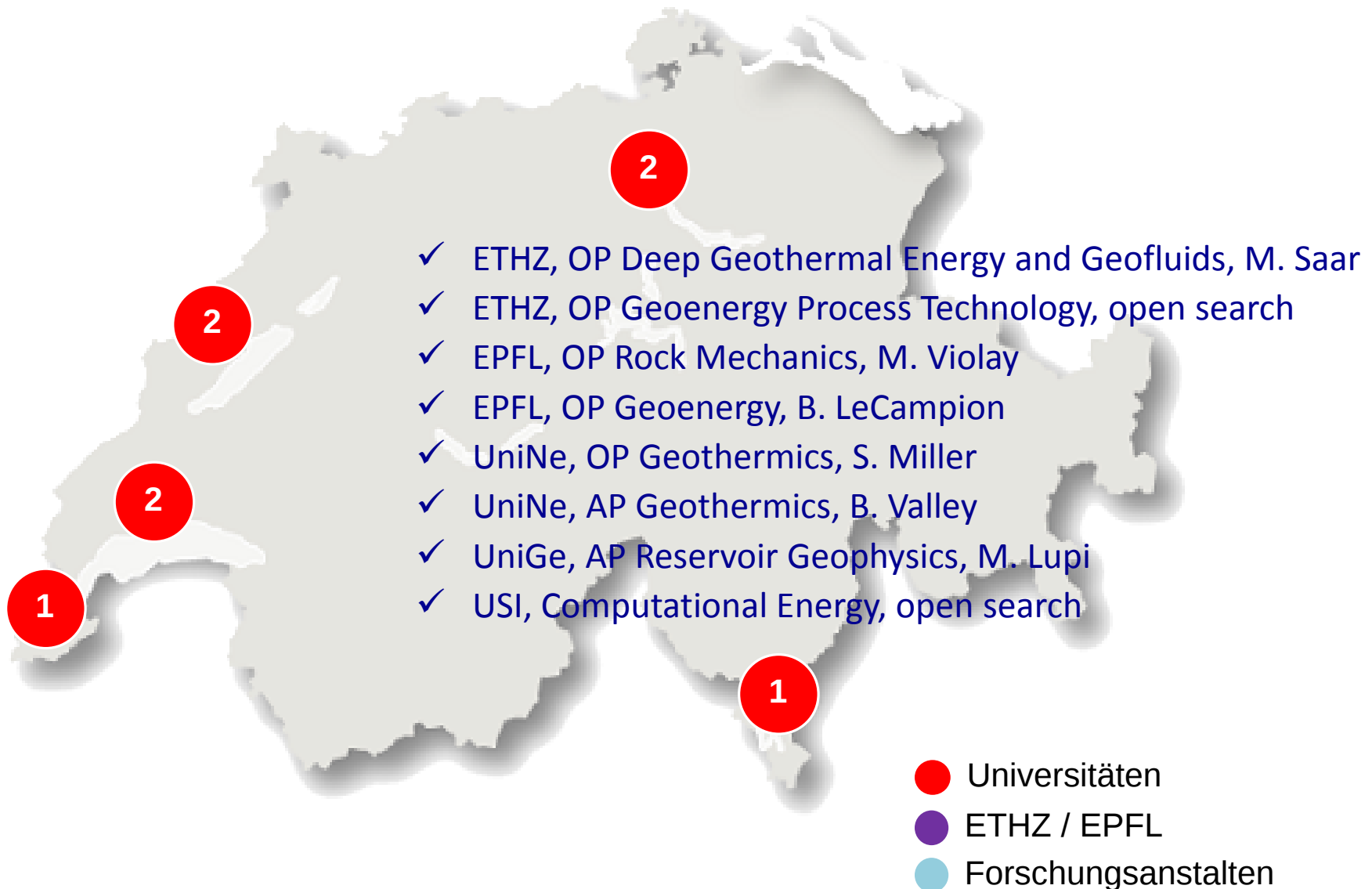




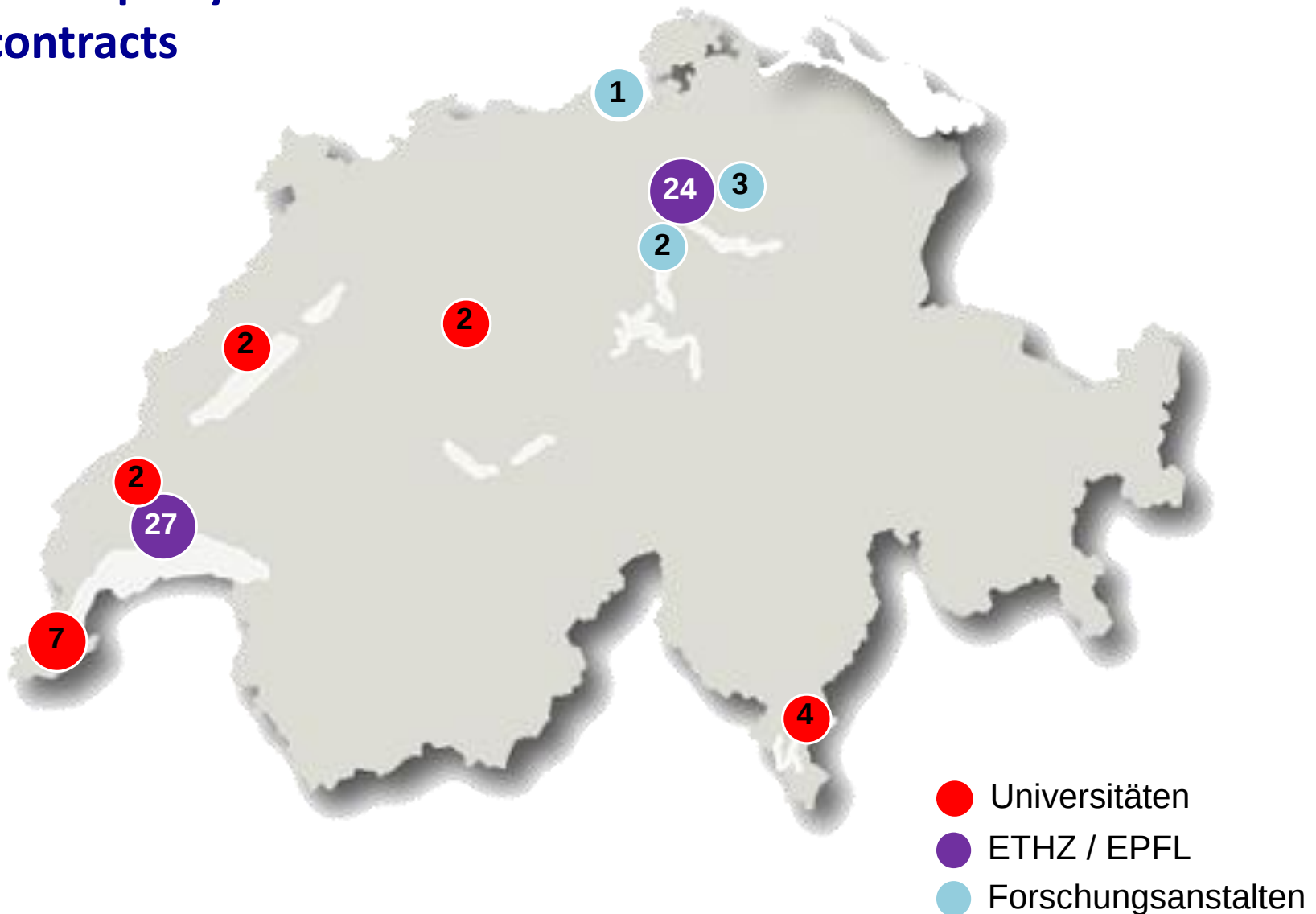
SCCER-SoE P2: research partners



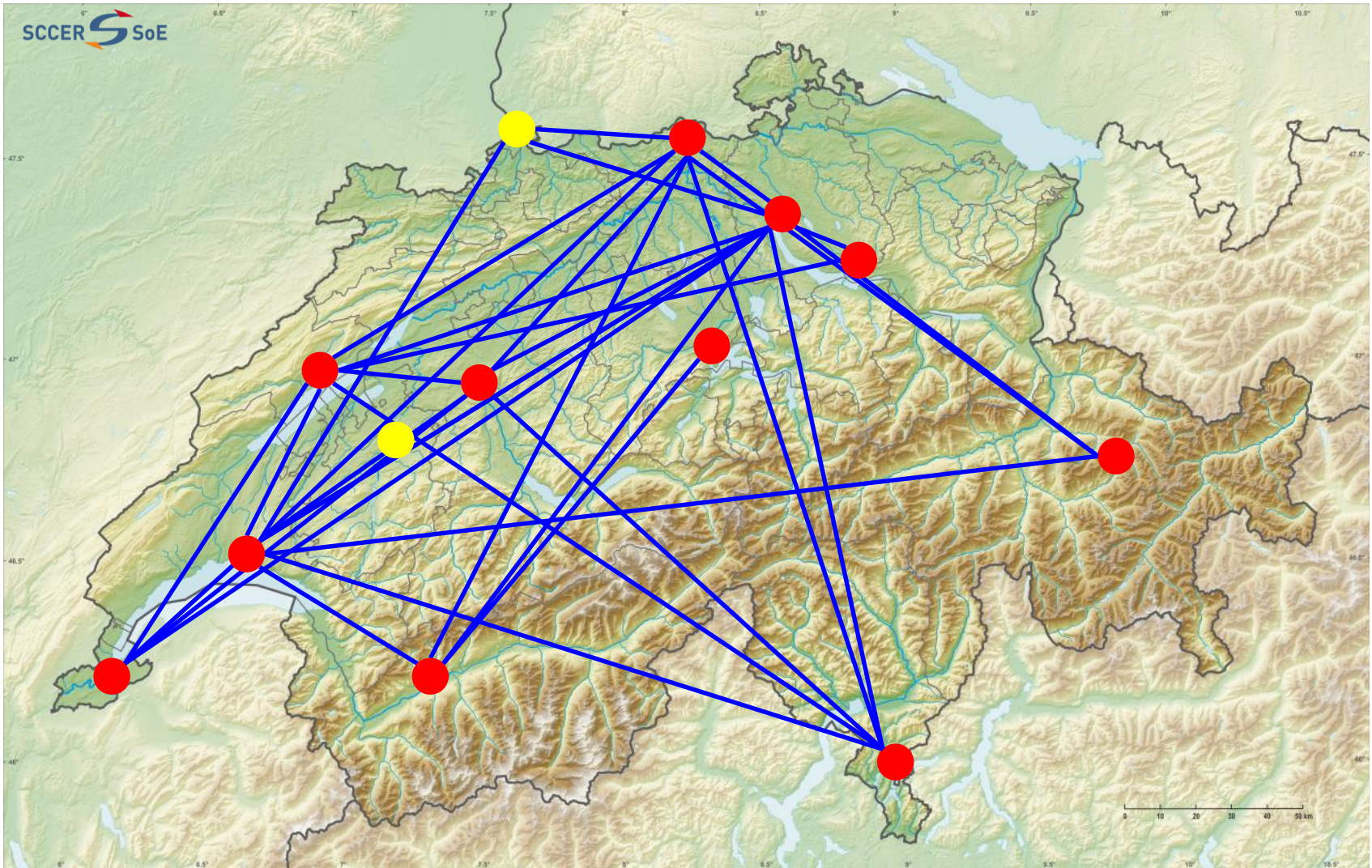
SCCER-SoE: 8 new AP and OP in Geo-Energies



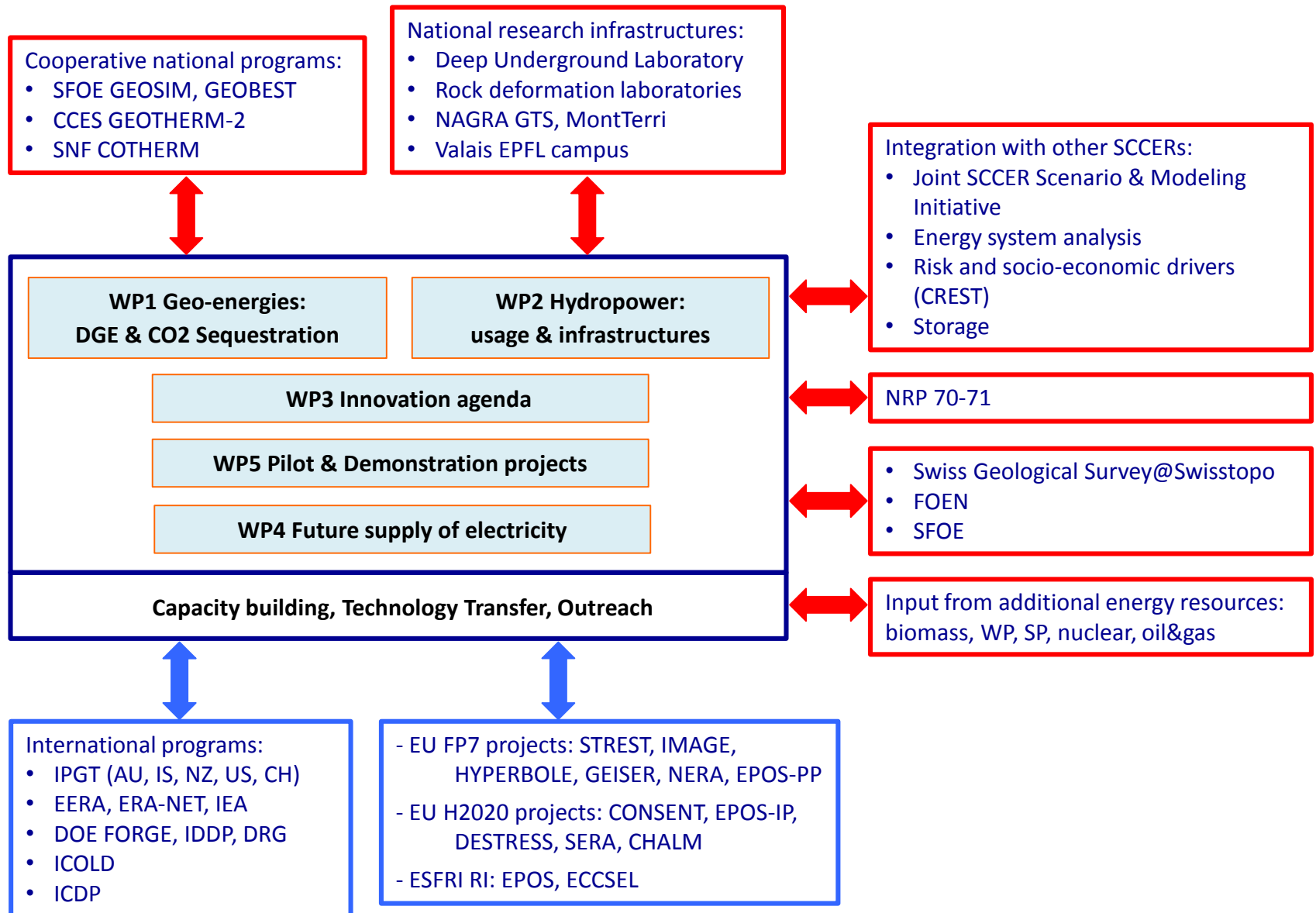
SCCER-SoE: 74 PhD students on 3rd party and other contracts



Networking



Integration



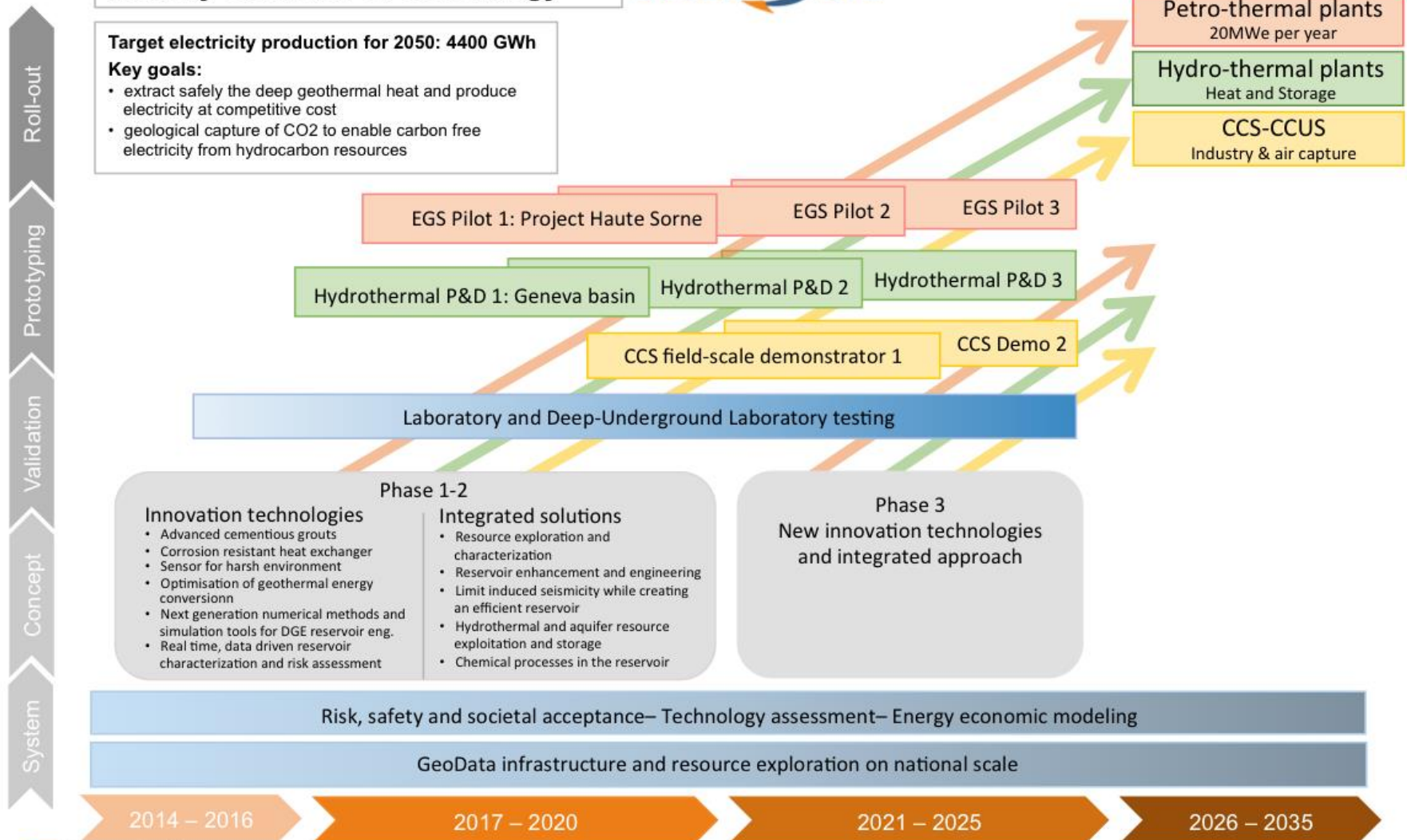
Activity Overview of GeoEnergy



Target electricity production for 2050: 4400 GWh

Key goals:

- extract safely the deep geothermal heat and produce electricity at competitive cost
- geological capture of CO₂ to enable carbon free electricity from hydrocarbon resources



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Activity Overview of Hydropower



Key goals:

- Increase the HP electricity production under changing demand, climate and operating condition by 3160 GWh (after investment to respect the law for residual water: -1400 GWh)
- Ensure maintenance, improvement and operation of the infrastructure in the long term future

New Large HP Plants: +1'430 GWh until 2050

New Small HP plants: +1'600 GWh until 2050

Retrofit PP: +1'530 GWh until 2050

LHPP Demo-1: FLEXSTOR

LHPP Demo-2

LHPP Demo-3

Pilot turbine: 'duo turbo'

SHPP Demo-1

SHPP Demo-2

Retrofit Demo-1: SEDMIX

Retrofit Demo-2

Retrofit study for HP plants: 'RenovHydro'

Phase 1-2

Innovation Technologies

- Glacier ice thickness survey: new glacier lakes
- Sediment evacuation systems
- Impulse waves assessment and dam safety
- Cascade reservoir flushing concept
- Reduce water losses, friction in water ways
- Optimum environmental flow
- Enhanced operating range hydro units: variable speed, predictive maintenance.
- Energy harvesting micro turbines (Duo-Turbo)
- HP design under uncertainties

Innovative integrated solutions

- Robust and flexible HP projects
- Increase of operation flexibility at existing HP
- Services to the grid: transient & part load
- Mitigation of cavitation, sedimentation and abrasion
- Safety of steel lined pressure shafts for rough operation
- Intake design for control of air entrainment and floating debris; optimum location for sediment transfer
- Dam heightening : spillways/bottom outlets and structural safety
- Impact of hydro- and thermo-peaking; innovative measures
- Improved environmental flow criteria

Phase 3

New innovation technologies and turbine developments

Forecast modeling of water and sediments with climate change; HP system optimization

2014 – 2016

2017 – 2020

2021 – 2025

2026 – 2035



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SCCER-SoE P2: budget and positions

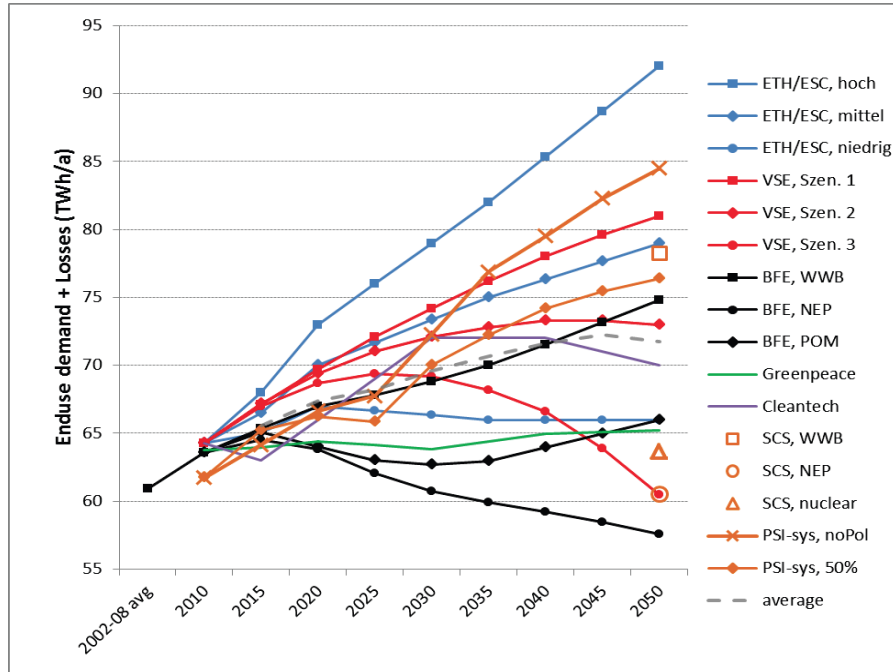
SCCER-SoE Phase II: Summary of budget and personnel on SCCER-ETH contract							Scenario 100% (2016 value)					
School	Positions	SR	JR	AP	PI	OP	2017	2018	2019	2020	4 yr	2016
UNIBE	1 SR	1					150	150	150	150	600	150
UNIGE	AP Fluid Dynamics in Basins + 0.5 P&D manager	0.5		1			210	210	180	180	780	200
UNIL	1 JR		1				100	100	100	100	400	100
UNINE	AP Geothermics			1			220	160	160	160	700	200
USI	AP Computational Energy			1			100	160	160	160	580	100
Total Universities		1.5	1	3			780	780	750	750	3,060	750
ETHZ	WP1 (1.6SR+ JR), WP2 (1.2SR+2JR), WP3 (1JR), WP4 (3SR+1JR), WP5 (1 P&D manager), 30% OP 2019-20	7	6			0.3	1,540	1,540	1,600	1,600	6,280	1,550
EPFL	HP & modelling (3.1 JR), WP5 (1 P&D manager), geosciences (1.5 JR)		5.6				550	550	520	520	2,140	550
PSI	1.7 JR		1.7				170	170	200	200	740	168
EAWAG	0.8 SR	0.8					120	120	90	90	420	120
WSL	1.7 JR		1.7				170	170	170	170	680	168
Total ETH		7.8	15.0			0.3	2,550	2,550	2,580	2,580	10,260	2,556
HES-SO	10% 2 PI + 1.5 JR + 0.5 P&D manager		2		0.2		240	240	240	240	960	240
HSR	0.5 JR		0.5				50	50	50	50	200	50
HSLU	0.8 JR		0.8				75	75	75	75	300	100
Total UAS			3.3		0.2		365	365	365	365	1,460	390
Total capacity building incl. 15% overhead							4,250	4,250	4,250	4,250	17,000	4,250
Administration/management							300	300	300	300	1,200	300
TOTAL SCCER-SoE		9.3	19.3	3.0	0.2	0.3	4,550	4,550	4,550	4,550	18,200	4,550
Cost key: Senior Researcher (SR), 150k; Junior Researcher (JR), 100k; Assistant Professor (AP), 150k; PI (AUS, FA), 200k; Full Professor ETH (OP), 300k												

SCCER-SoE P2: meeting the targets

Proposal Phase	Financial Report 2015							Budget 2017							
	B+C+D	A SCCER CTI	B competitive	C 3rd party	D own	B+C+D	Total	A SCCER CTI	B competitive	C 3rd party	D own	B+C+D	Total	B+C+D/A	f
ETHD	7,877	2,947	2,548	2,030	3,578	8,156	11,103	2,933	2,550	2,100	3,530	8,180	11,113	2.8	1
UAS	724	449	282	281	264	827	1,276	420	285	350	264	899	1,319	2.1	2
UNI	2,282	854	715	281	1,736	2,732	3,586	897	715	500	1,704	2,919	3,816	3.3	3
	10,883	4,250	3,545	2,592	5,578	11,715	15,965	4,250	3,550	2,950	5,498	11,998	16,248	2.8	
								26	22	18	34	% of total			
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								max 40%	B/A > 50%	C/A > 50%	D/A > 50%	% criteria			

SCCER JA on Scenario & Modeling

- Each SCCER conducts scenario modeling in its field and has dedicated personnel in its program.
- In Phase II, targeted scenario modeling will be continued in each SCCER and we aim at building an overarching initiative that will enable further developing and combining different models while preserving the specificity of the individual approaches.
- All SCCER equally involved, with SCCER-SoE lead

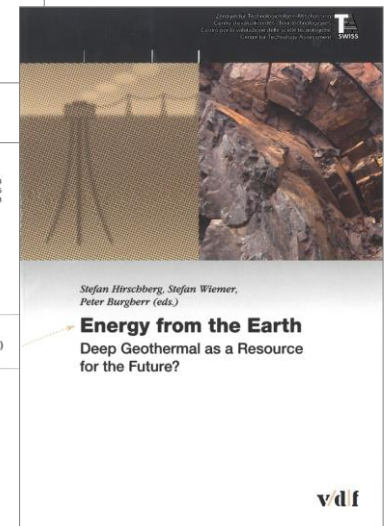
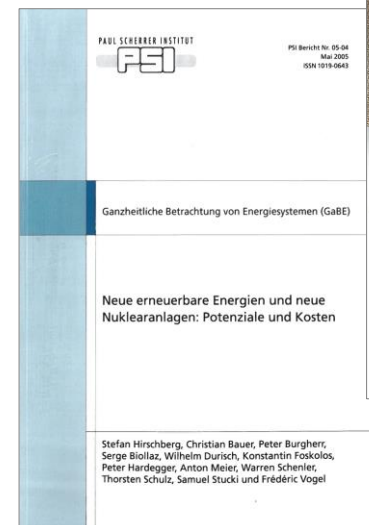
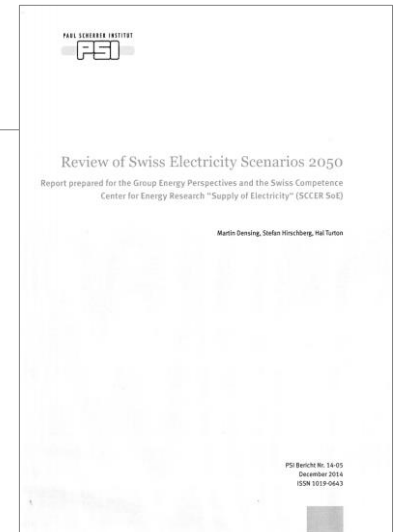
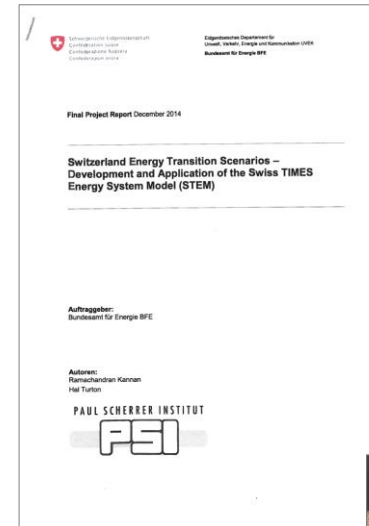




NFP70 started in November 2014 and supports PhDs for the SCCER-SoE implementation. Three cluster projects are involved:

- ✓ **SoE-HPGE (Supply of Electricity – Hydropower and geoenergy)** is a cluster of seven projects supporting 20 PhD students for fundamental R&D in key SCCER-SoE domains (lead SCCER-SoE, budget 4.1M)
 - P1-P2: fundamental research in Geo-Energies
 - P3-P4: development of HydroPower operations and infrastructures
 - P5-P6: future hydropower operations
 - P7: comprehensive risk governance for both HydroPower and GeoEnergies
- ✓ **The future of Swiss HydroPower** develops an integrated assessment of the chances, threats and solutions for future HydroPower utilization and expansion (lead UniBasel, budget 1.2M)
- ✓ **Hydro-ecology and flood-plain sustainability in application** (HyApp; lead EPFL)

- ✓ *Review of Swiss Electricity Scenarios 2050*
Densing, Hirschberg & Turton, SCCER-SoE, PSI Bericht Nr.14-05, 2014
- ✓ *Switzerland Energy Transition Scenarios*
Kannan & Turton, PSI, BFE SI/500517-01/8100087, 2014
- ✓ *Energy from the Earth: Deep Geothermal as a Resource for the Future?*
Hirschberg, Wiemer & Burgherr eds., TA Swiss, DOI 10.3218/3655-8, 2015
- ✓ *Potentiale, Kosten und Umweltbewertung von Stromproduktions-technologien*,
Hirschberg et al., PSI & SCCER-SoE, exp. fall 2016



PhD School @ Grimsel, Oct 13-16, 2015

- 43 PhD students
- 28 teachers
- 2 excursions: GTS, KWO



→ PhD School @ Leukerbad, Oct 18-21, 2016

Annual Conference 2015

- ✓ Highly successful: 130 participants for HP, 140 for DGE
- ✓ Interaction with stakeholders: industry, federal offices, policy makers
- ✓ 120 posters, the basis for the SCCER-SoE Science Report 2015



- **The Annual Conference 2016 promises to be even more successful !**