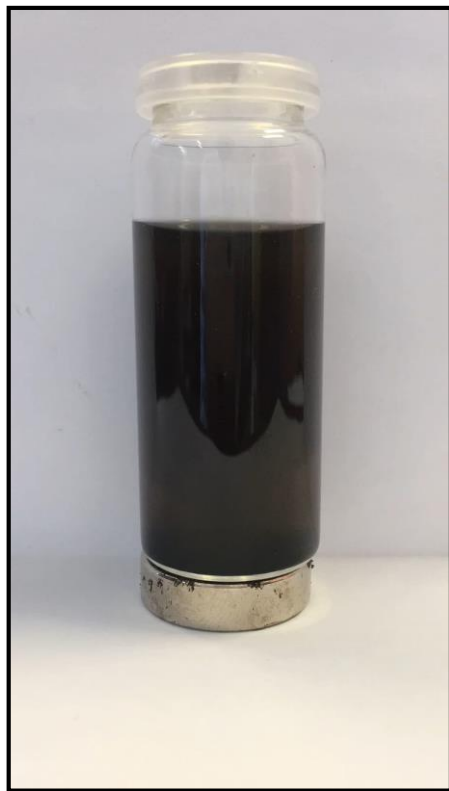




# ***MagnetoSponges***

***A Key Enabling Technology for  
waste water and gas stream  
management and treatment***



## Magnetic fluids with a customizable surface functionalization



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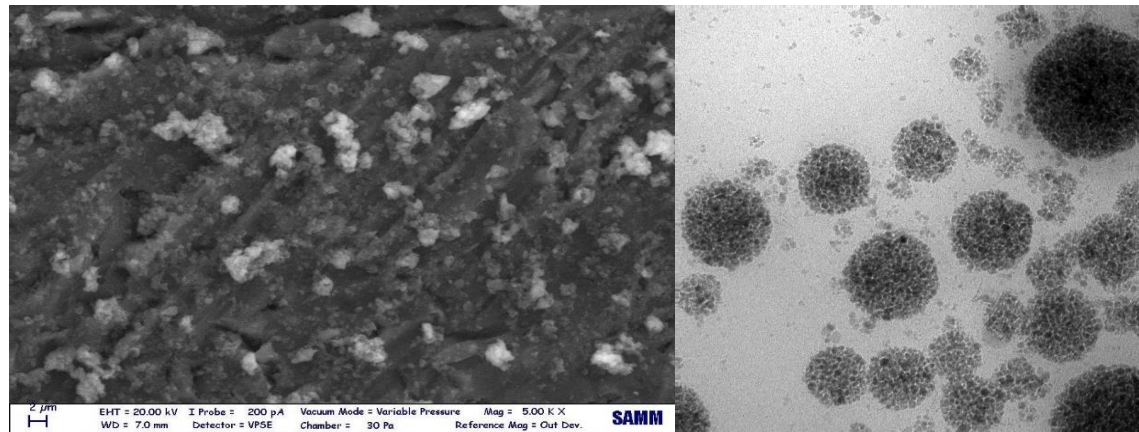
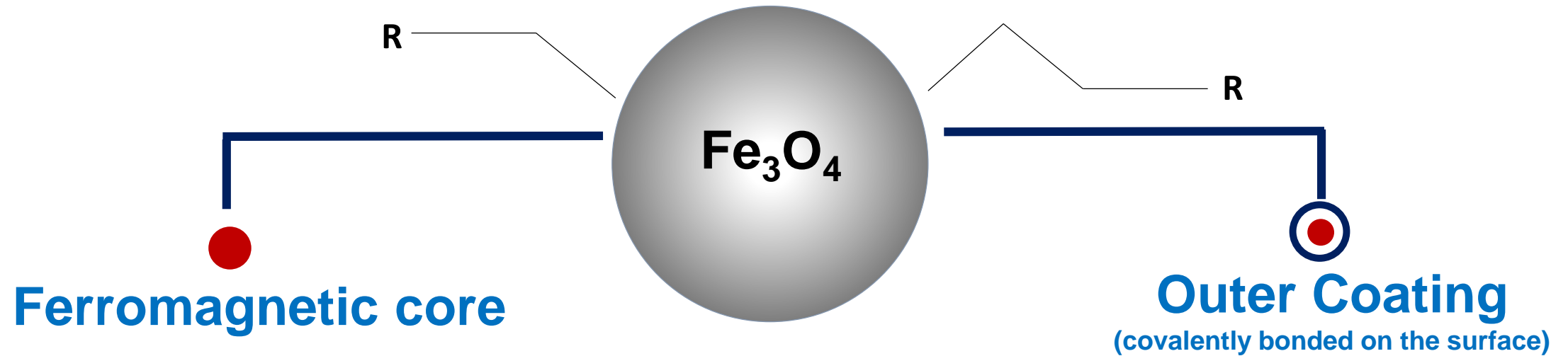


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# Captive Systems' Technology

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Nanoparticles which aggregate into micro-sponges  
through a co-precipitation reaction



# Captive Systems' Technology

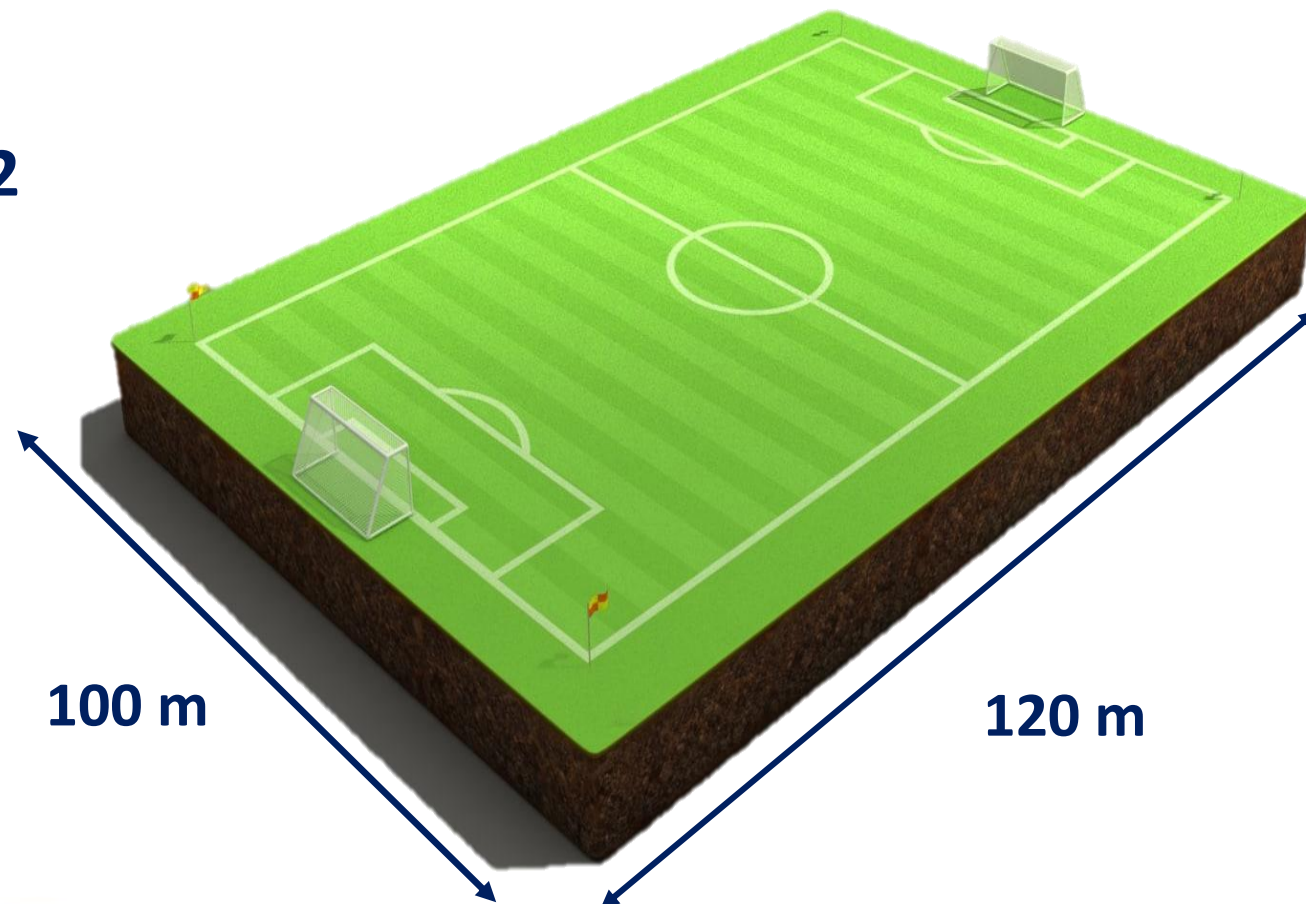
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**Specific Surface: 6000 m<sup>2</sup>/g**



**2 g of micro-sponges**

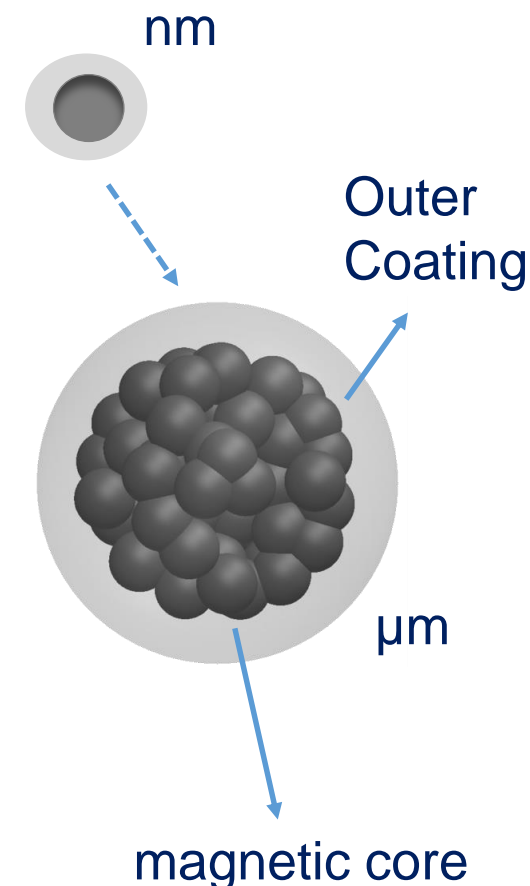
**12000 m<sup>2</sup>**



# Captive Systems' Technology

## Easy tunable outer coating

- **Anionic fluids**: possibility to remove and recover cationic products ( $\text{Ni}^{2+}$ ,  $\text{Zn}^{2+}$ ,  $\text{Cu}^{2+}$ , etc...)
- **Cationic fluids**: possibility to remove and recover anionic products (phosphate, chromate, arsenate, etc...)
- **Lipophilic fluids**: possibility to remove and recover lipophilic substances (emulsifier, lubricants, hydrocarbons, fuel etc...)
- **Combined Coatings**: possibility to customize the coating to customer requests.







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# The Process

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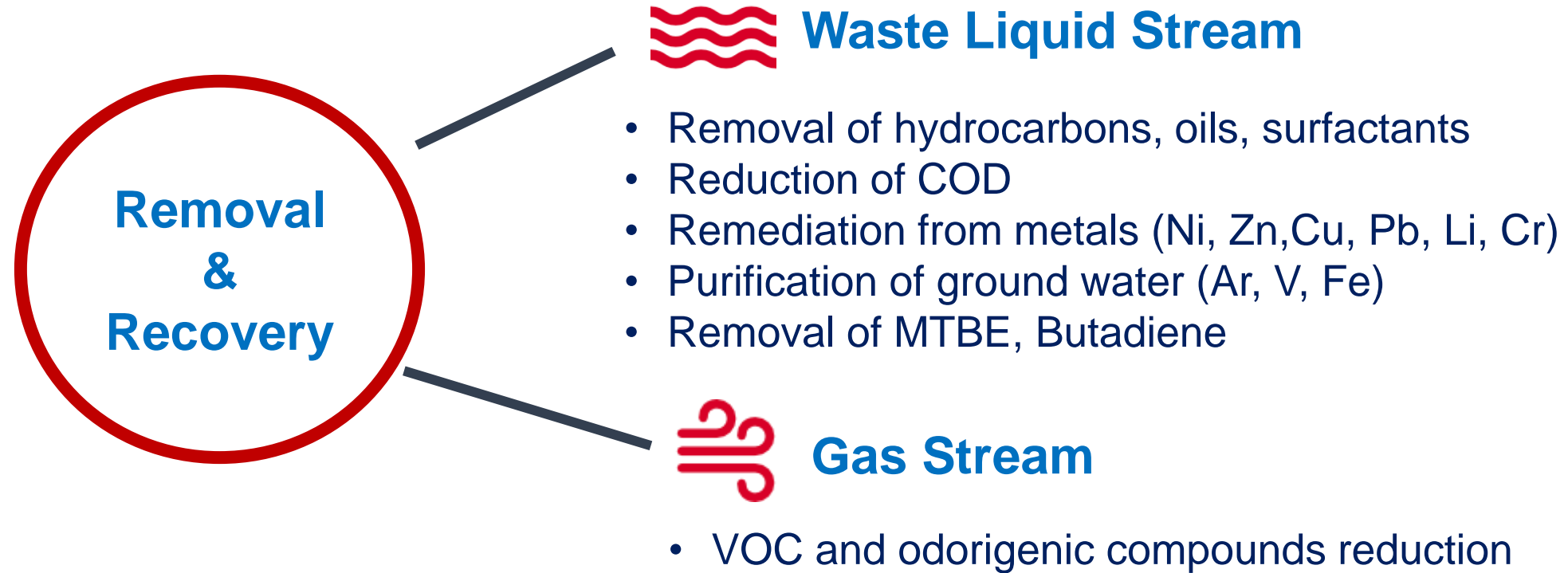
**BULK  
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**MIXING**

**SEPARATION**

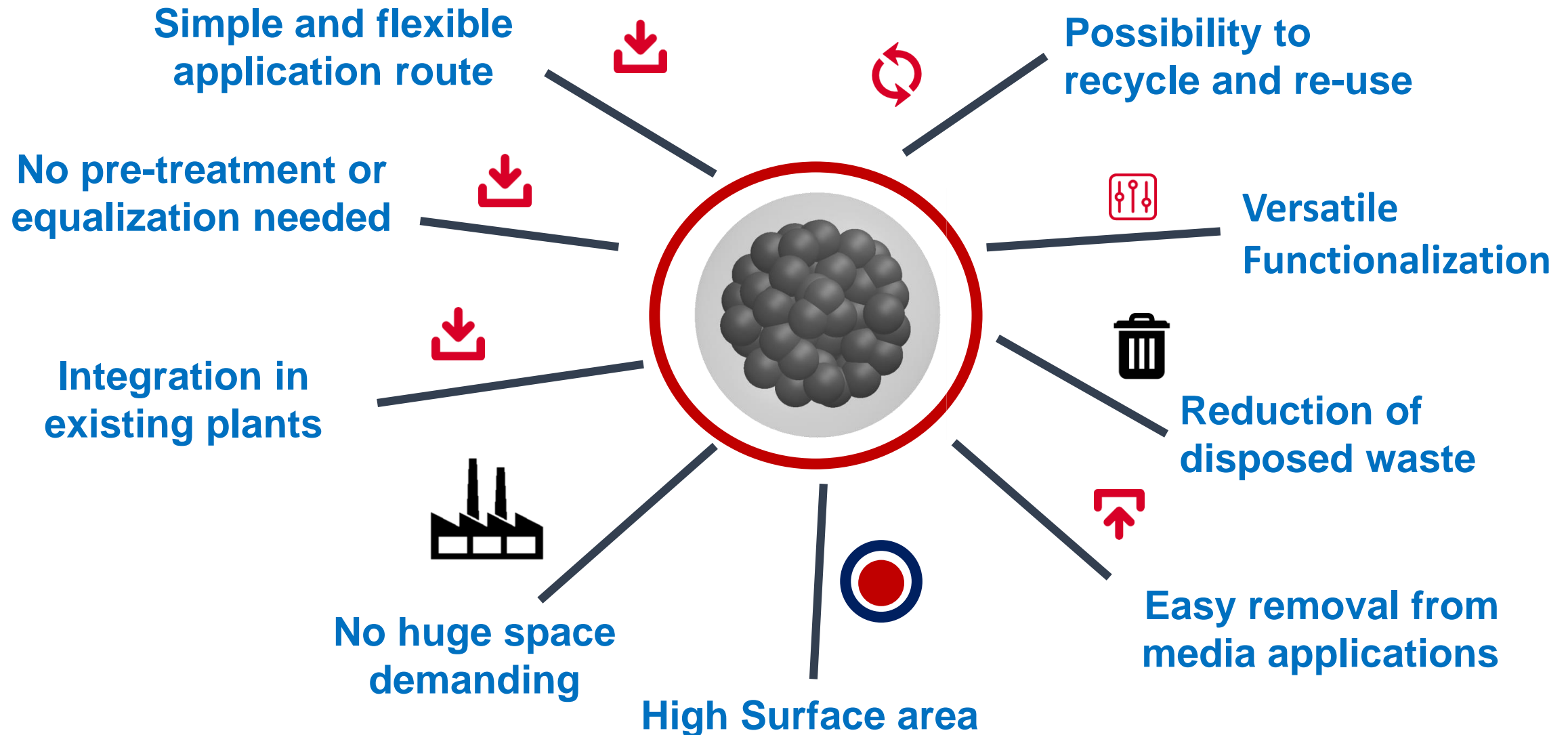
**DISPOSAL**





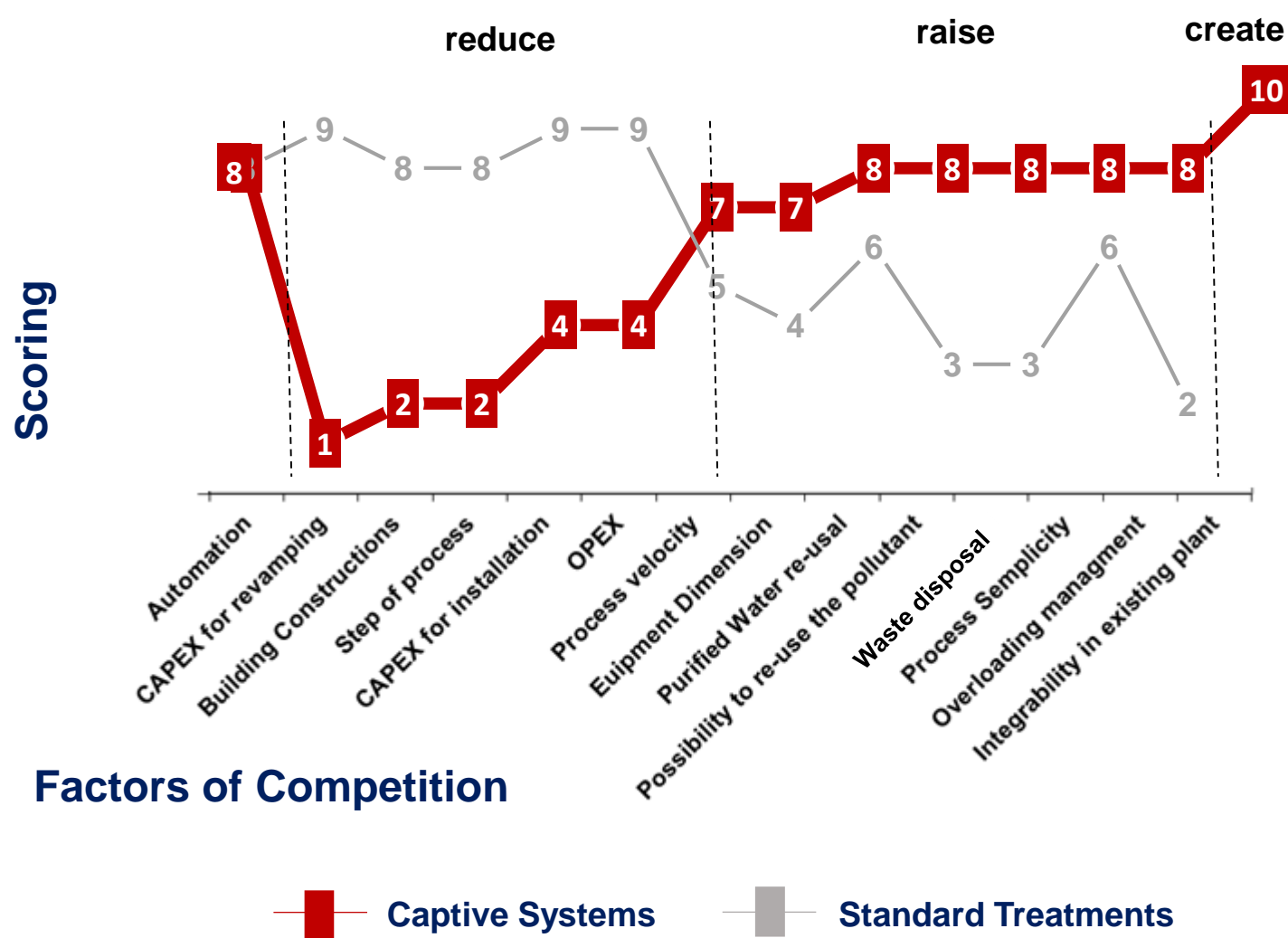


# Features & Advantages



# Value Curve Proposition

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- Flexibility in managment of variable flow rate and type of pollutants
- Customizable according to customer needs
- No considerable space demanding
- Easy integration in exhisting plant
- Reduction of the waste to be disposed after treatment
- Possibility to be regenated recovering the pollutant for obtaining raw materials of second generation

## Removal of Arsenic and Vanadium

**Treatment:** 500mg MPs x L, Contact time : 5 min

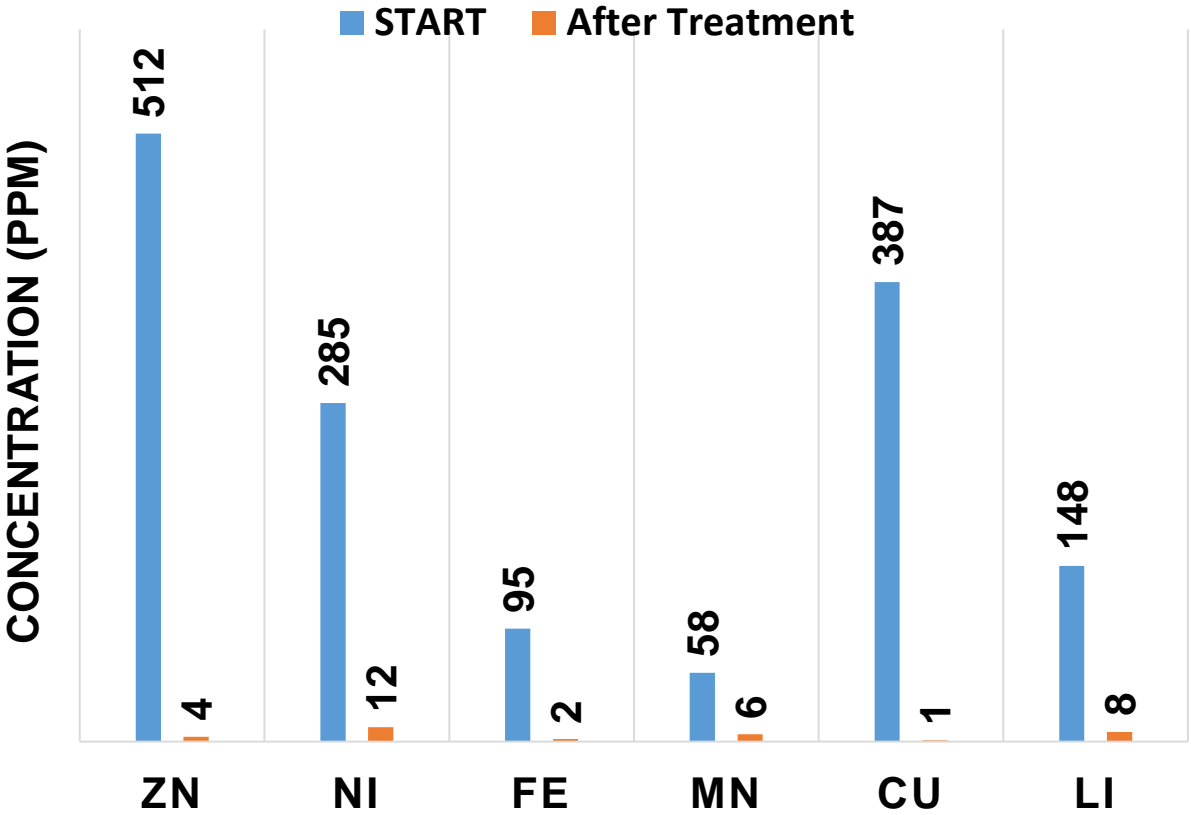
Pollutant	[START]	[AFTER TREATMENT]
ARSENIC	15 ppm	45 ppb
VANADIUM	20 ppm	18 ppb
ARSENIC	148 ppb	< 10 ppb
VANADIUM	150 ppb	< 10 ppb



# Electroplating waste water

Treatment: 1g MPs x L, Contact time : 5 min

	START (ppm)	After TREAT (ppm)	% removal
Zn	512	4	99,2
Ni	285	12	95,8
Fe	95	2	97,9
Mn	58	6	89,7
Cu	387	1	99,7
Li	148	8	94,6



Before API	START	After treatment
COD mg O <sub>2</sub> /l	316400	120

**Treatment:**

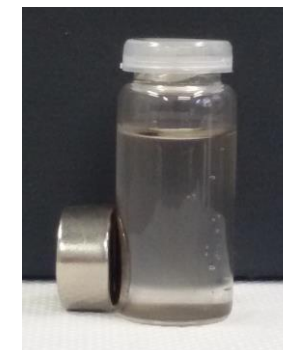
- 2 g MPs x L
- Contact time : 3 min



Before bio-reactors	START	After treatment
COD mg O <sub>2</sub> /l	658	82

**Treatment:**

- 0,25 g NPs x L
- Contact time : 2 min





# Tank Cleaning Operation

TANK 1	START	After treatment
COD mg O <sub>2</sub> /l	35000	246

## Treatment:

- 0,5 Kg MPs x m<sup>3</sup>
- Contact time : 5 min



TANK 2	START	After treatment
COD mg O <sub>2</sub> /l	12800	166

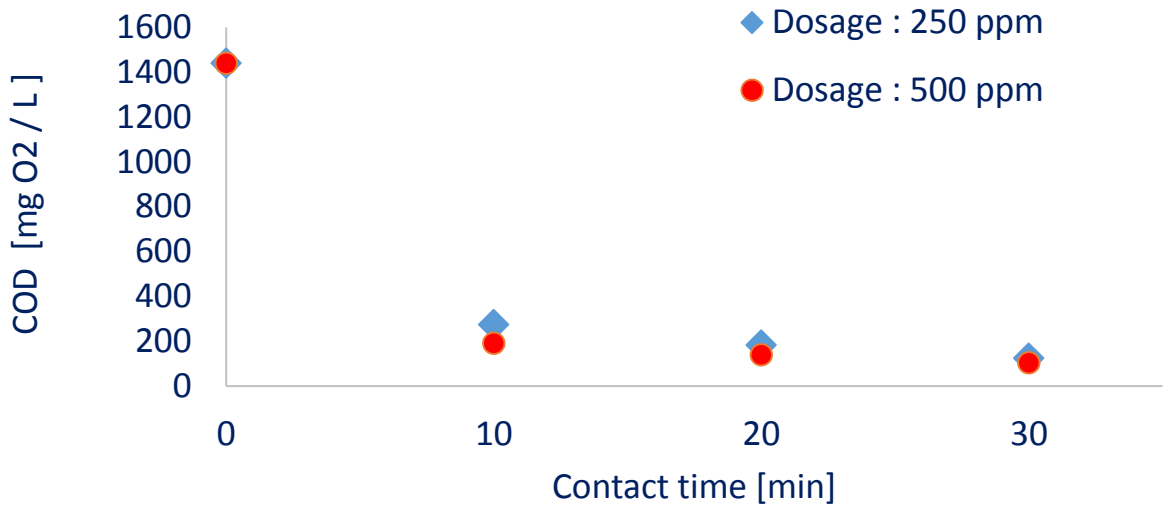
## Treatment:

- 0,3 Kg NPs x m<sup>3</sup>
- Contact time : 2 min



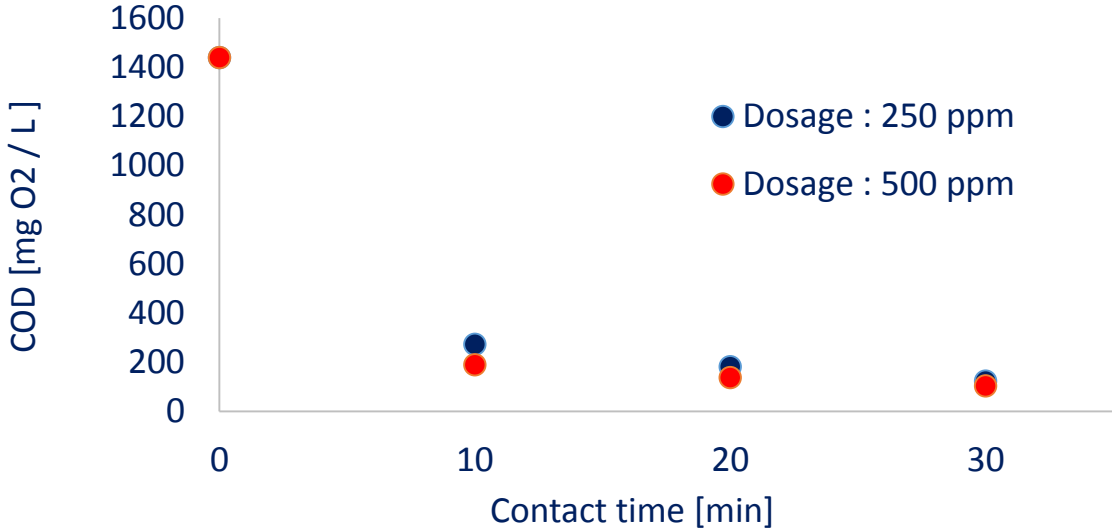
## Tank n° 1

COD START : 1100 mg O <sub>2</sub> / L				
Dosage : 250 ppm				
Contact time [min]	COD after treatment mg O <sub>2</sub> / L			
10	310	312	318	308
20	291	294	290	288
30	288	284	291	284
Dosage : 500 ppm				
10	284	281	283	288
20	280	278	284	283
30	278	279	284	281



## Tank n° 2

COD START : 1440 mg O <sub>2</sub> / L				
Dosage : 250 ppm				
T di contattamento [min]	COD post Trattamento mg O <sub>2</sub> / L			
10	275	281	271	269
20	180	188	184	179
30	115	128	131	121
Dosage : 500 ppm				
10	198	194	178	191
20	148	135	133	139
30	99	104	102	112



# Case Study #1: food industry

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## CURRENT PROBLEMS

- COD value at drain into sewer above law limits
- Not enough space for installation of standard waste water treatment plant
- **Payng of expensive fines**
- **RISK of shutting down the plant**

## USING OF CAPTIVE SYSTMES TECHNOLOGY

- ✓ Easy integration in the law space available on the site
- ✓ COD value at drain into sewer **UNDER** law limits
- ✓ **NO fines at all**
- ✓ **Plant management without problems**





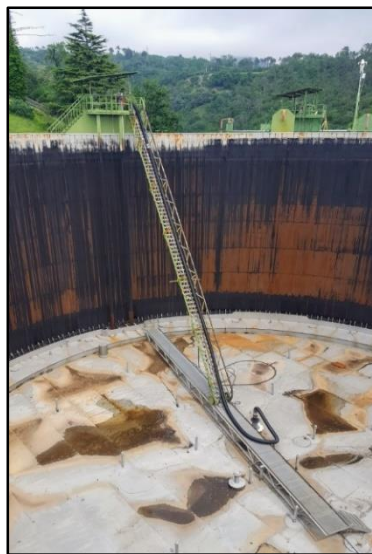
# Case Study #2: Air treatment during tank cleaning

## PROBLEMS

- Potentially explosive atmospheres
- High concentration of volatile organic compounds (VOC)
- Odor emission problem

## STANDARD TREATMENT

- Leaking problem of VOC and odorigenic compounds
- Risky operations
- High time and personnel demanding operation

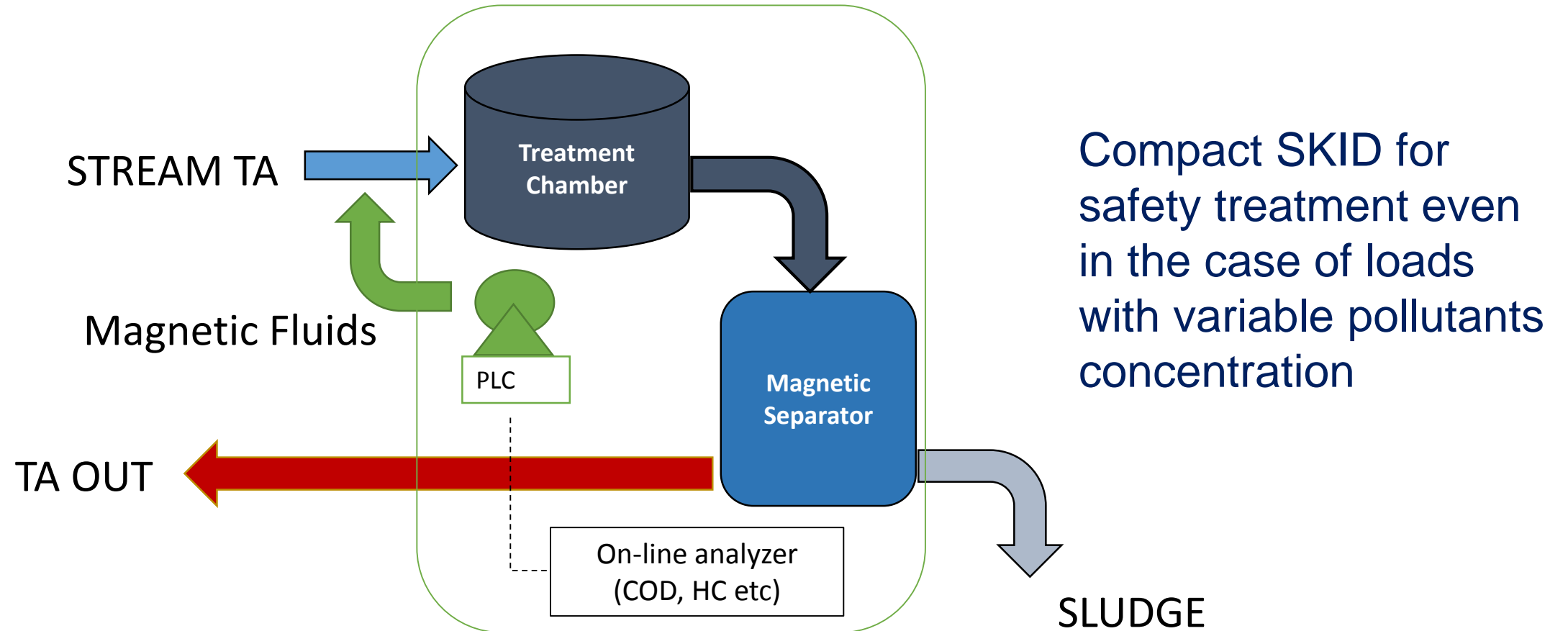


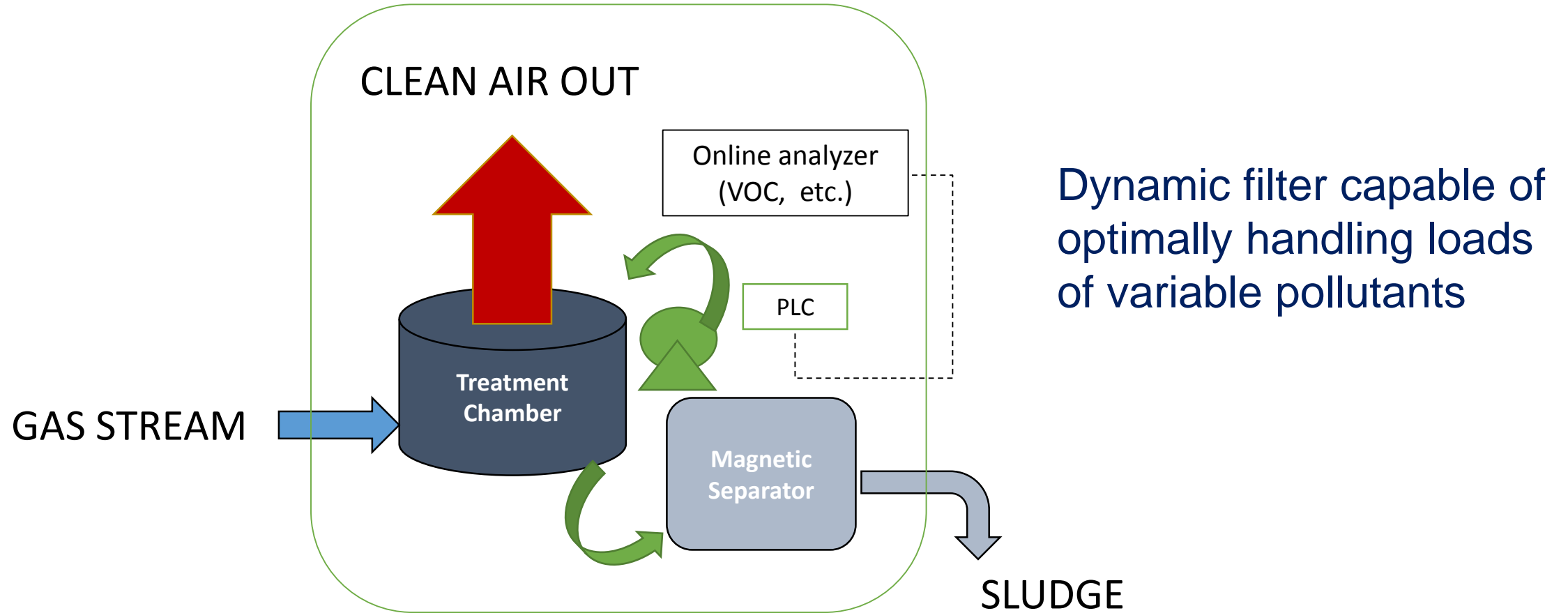
## USING OF CAPTIVE SYSTEMS TECHNOLOGY

- ✓ Total abatement of VOC
- ✓ Containment of odorigenic compounds
- ✓ No odor emission problems
- ✓ Non-flammable atmosphere
- ✓ **Reducing the time of the operation**
- ✓ **Reducing the personnel needed**
- ✓ **Reducing environmental and human risk of the operation**



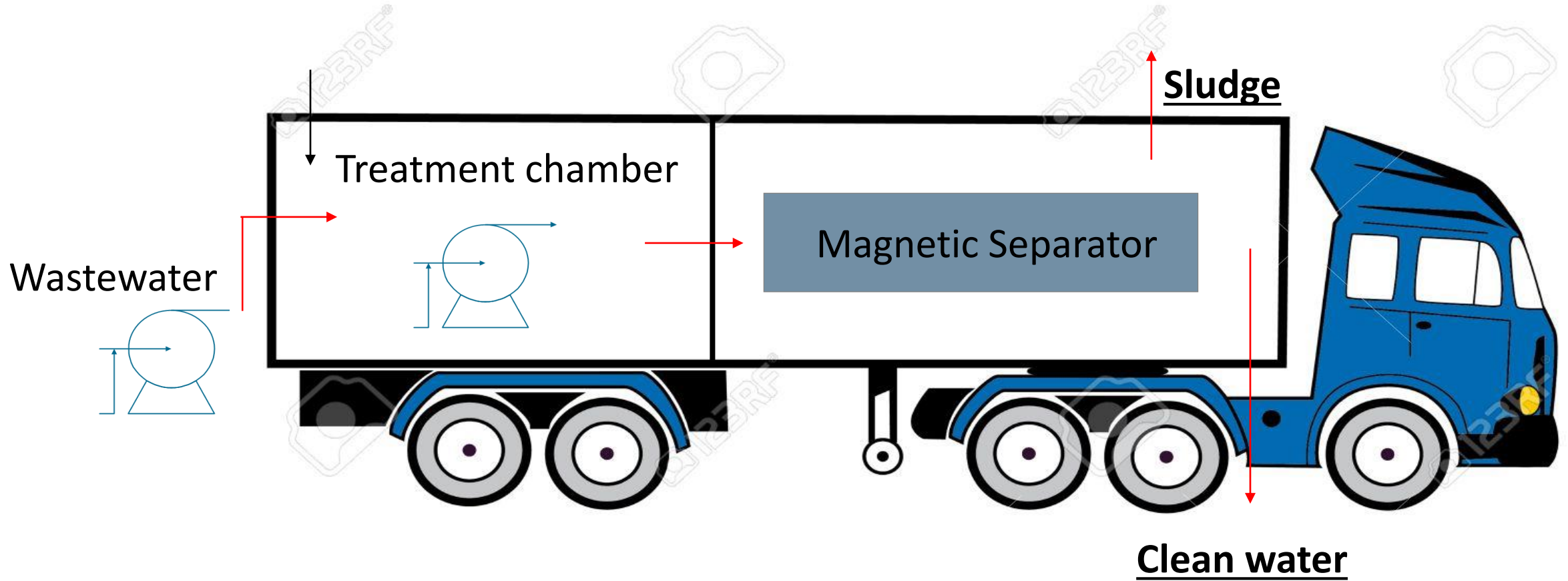
- HC/COD reduction in OIL&Refinery
- COD reduction in food and textile sectors
- MTBE and BUTADIENE reduction
- Waste water treatment after tank cleaning operation
- Waste water treatment in oilfield activities
- Remediation from metals
- Chemical purification for drinking water
- VOC and odorigenic compounds from gas stream





# Mobile Skid

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# The Team

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**CTO: Ruggiero Pesce**  
*Experience in production process,  
scale up and field test*



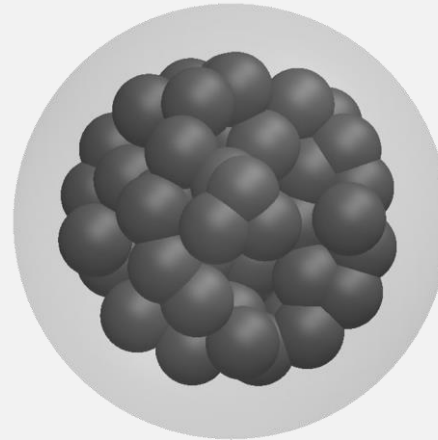
**CEO : Gianni Franzosi**  
*Founder of a startup now  
employing 250 people,  
holder of several trademarks in  
electroplating sector*



**Supply Chain: Sergio Farina**  
*30ys of experience in chemical  
formulations and selling*



**Lab test and screening:  
M. Sponchioni & A. Accogli**  
*Executive PhD at PoliMI*



**R&D Supervisor: Profs. L. Magagnin  
& D. Moscatelli, PoliMI**  
*Expertise in development of  
nano and smart materials for industries*



**CFO: Marco Parati**  
*Expertise in financial and business  
planning for IPP and start-up*

**Industrial Partner: CHIMEC**  
*Italian company active worldwide in oilfield  
and waste water management*





# AWARDS

16 November 2018.

Seal of Excellence from European Commission  
managing HORIZON 2020

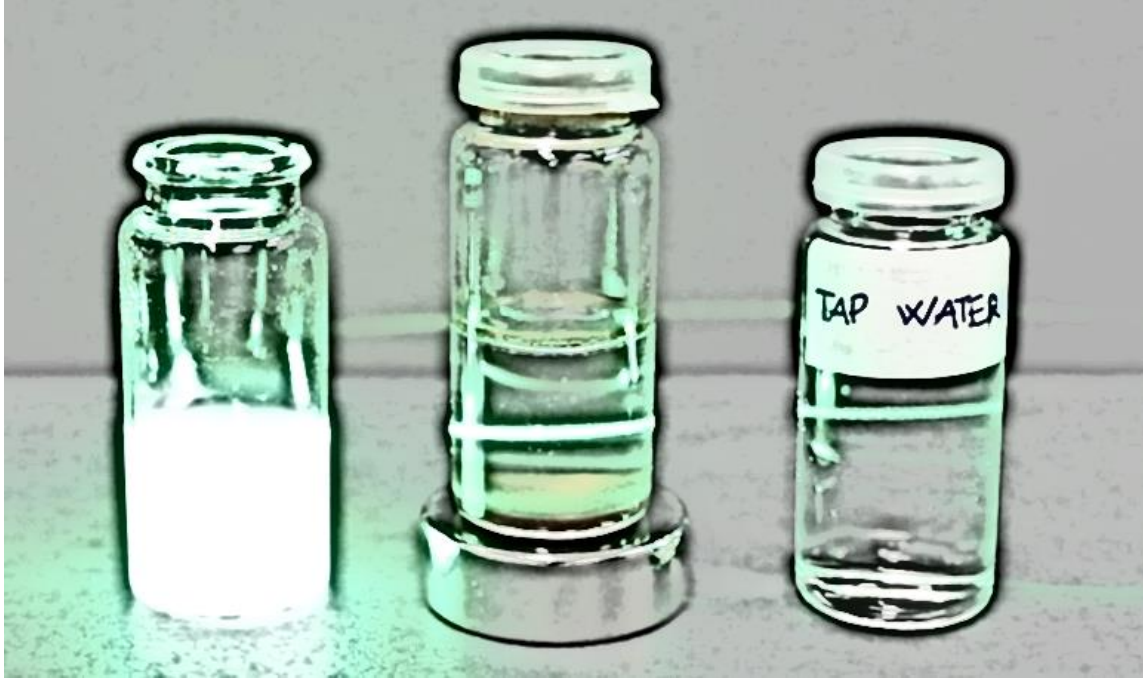
***“THE PROJECT WAS SCORED AS  
A HIGH-QUALITY PROJECT  
PROPOSAL IN A HIGHLY  
COMPETITIVE EVALUATION  
PROCESS”***



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- **November 2018.** Finalist at **Startup4Good** - Fondazione Deutsche Bank – PoliHub.
- **October 2018.** Won free pass as expositor at **ECOMONDO 2018**.
- **September 2018.** Selected to participate at the **BASF Innovation Day 2018**.
- **June 2018.** Italian candidate for the **Everis Awards 2018**, Award for entrepreneurship, innovation and talent.
- **March 2018-stand by.** Selected for **SHELL GAME CHANGER 2018**.
- **January 2018. BANDO INNODRIVER MISURA A**, Lombardy Region. Won 2 calls for funding a team project with two Lombardy PMIs
- **October 2017.** One of the 10 finalists of the **IREN Startup Award** promoted by Banca Intesa San Paolo.
- **July 2017.** Recognized as **QuESTIO research center** from Lombardy Region.
- **January 2017. EIT RAW MATERIALS STARTUP BOOSTER PROGRAM.**





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