

CCUS IN REGION WHICH IS TRADITIONALLY ASSOCIATED WITH COAL MINING AND HEAVY INDUSTRY

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PRESENTATION OUTLINE

- **1**. Upper Silesia region CO₂ *emission sources*
- 2. POLISH EXPERIENCES IN CCS examples & main projects
- **3**. Upper Silesia region *Results of the main projects: Storage possibilities & capacity*

4. Pilot plants of CO₂ capture and utilization



Upper Silesia region is most industrialized region in Poland, where there is strong mining industry (18 coal mines) and strong power sector (about 7 GW of power capacity).

They focus around or in the area of the largest urban agglomerations, and therefore mainly in the northern part of the Upper Silesian Coal Basin. $G \ I \ G$

UPPER SILESIA REGION – CO2 EMISSION SOURCES

Sources of emissions in the region of Silesia are presented on the basis of ten largest electric power plants in terms of CO_2 emissions.

No.	Name of Powerstation	Emission [milion tonnes CO ₂ /year]
1.	Elektrownia Rybnik S.A.	~6,5
2.	Elektrociepłownia EC Nowa Sp. z o. o.	
3.	Elektrownia Halemba	
4.	Elektrownia Łagisza	1.5
5.	Elektrownia Łaziska	1 - 5
6.	Elektrownia Jaworzno II	
7.	Elektrownia Jaworzno III	
8.	Elektrociepłownia Będzin S.A.	
9.	Elektrownia Chorzów S.A.	0,5 - 1
10.	Elektrownia Siersza	
The Bełchatów Power Station: \sim 37,6 million tonnes CO ₂ /year		

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- MAINPROJECTS:

The Bełchatów Power Station is the world's largest lignite-fired power station

(nominal power of 5,472 MW) and the largest emitter of carbon dioxide in Poland

 Bełchatów, Demonstration plant for carbon dioxide capture, transport and storage (CCS) – co-financed by EU (180 mln euro), lignite power plant: 858 MW, Storage in Saline Aquifer

Co-financed by the European Union European Energy Programme for Recovery



Visualization of the pilot plant, planned for installation on the block No. 12



In the beginning of 2013 a decision was made to close the project because of problems with assurance of funding, legal risks, public acceptance and numerous technological risks.

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RESEARCH ON POTENTIAL OF CO₂ STORAGE IN POLAND – EXAMPLES:

1. Borzęcin gas field, 1995 – **An industrial installation for capturing and depositing acid gases** (CO2, H2S)

2. RECOPOL (Kaniów), 2001-2005 – coordinator: TNO, GIG – Reduction of CO2 emission by means of CO2 storage in coal seams in the silesian coal basin of Poland (~700 tonnes CO2 injected into coal seams)

3. MOVECBM, 2006-2008 - coordinator: TNO, GIG, Monitoring and verification of CO2 storage and ECBM in Poland

4. Ponętów, 2004 – University of Science and Technology AGH – Tests of CO2 storage in saline aquifers



5. Jastrząbka Stara – oil field , 2005-2006, Design and installation work for the geological sequestration of CO2 on a small oil field

6. CO2SINK, 2004 - coordinator: GFZ Potsdam, Developing the basis of CO2 storage technique by injection of CO2 into a saline aquifer underneath the city of Ketzin near Berlin (~60000 tonnes CO2 injected into saline aquifers)

7. CASTOR WP1.2, 2004-2006 – coordinator WP1.2: GEUS, Capture and sequestration of CO2 associated with cleaner fossil fuel plants

8. EU GeoCapacity, 2006-2008, IGSMiE PAN i PBG, coordinator: GEUS, Assessing European Capacity for Geological Storage of Carbon Dioxide

9. CO2NET EAST , 2006-2009 - Carbon Dioxide Knowledge Transfer Network - CO2 capture and storage networking extension to new member states

10. CO₂ ReMoVe (Research, Monitoring, Verification), 2006-2011, coordinator: TNO, IGSMIE PAN - Monitoring and Verification of CO2 Geological Storage, Development of a CO2 leakage biomonitoring methods

– MAIN PROJECTS:

Conducted by: Central Mining Institute

 "Study for the safe storage of carbon dioxide on the example of the Silesian agglomeration", under a project of the Minister of Science and Higher Education "Technology Initiative I" Timeframe:

Timeframe: 2007 – 2011

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PHASE A (2007-2010)

- 1. Study of potential of CO₂ storage capacity
- 2. Modeling of underground saline storage complex.
- 3. Recommended guidelines for the proper infrastructure for transport and injection of CO2
- 4. Developing a surface monitoring system for CO2 storage in saline formations
- 5. Comprehensive safety analissys/risk assessment PHASE B (2010-2011)
- 1. Pre-documentation of the installation process for geological CO2storage

CCS – MOST IMPORTANT PROBLEMS FOR SAFETY STORAGE

Based on the results from the "Study for the safe storage of carbon dioxide on the example of the Silesian agglomeration"

- localization in the Upper Silesia region: with an urbanization about 78%
- proximity to mining areas
- hazard identification old, abandoned wells
- occurrence of protected areas:
 - Natura 2000,
 - Goczałkowice Reservoir artificial water reservoir,
 - therapeutic peat and water treatment,
 - natural gas fields





- MAIN PROJECTS:

"Assessment of formations and structures for safe CO2 geological storage, including monitoring plans."

National Fund project in consortium PGI-NRI, AGH University of Science and Technology, Oil and Gas Institute - NRI, Central Mining Institute, PBG Geophysical Exploration Ltd.

Conducted by:





Over 90% of these structures are located onshore

- It covers entire territory of Poland and the Baltic economic zone, but is focused on*:
- regional studies for 8 areas with saline aquifers,
- hydrocarbon fields and coal beds in general,
- case studies for saline aquifer structures (4),
- case studies for hydrocarbon fields (2) and coal beds (1).

reinterpretation of archive data, laboratory analyzes

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POLISH EXPERIENCES IN CCS – MAINPROJECTS:

Assessment of formations and structures for safe CO2 geological storage, including monitoring plans"



In the area of Upper Silesia Coal Basin due to land development, active hard coal mines and environmental elements subject to protection (Natura 2000 sites), three areas associated with aquifers and three areas associated with CO₂ storage in coal seams were selected.

model in the Cracow Sandstone Series aquifer



The Dębowiec formation appears to be the most prospective for potential storage of CO_2 out of the three analysed reservoirs. This region is characterized by the most favourable geological and hydrogeological parameters.



Numerical model in the Dębowiec Beds aquifer

Estimated capacity of saline aquifer allows to storage about 44 million tons of CO2

Deep coal seams with absorbed methane, which can be captured and economically used, and CO_2 can be injected in place of CH_4 (ECBM). Three potential research areas were identified in the Upper Silesia Coal Basin with similar areas of 55-75 km², which were analyzed to a depth of 2000 m in the area of coalbearing capacity and methane content of coal seams, and potential CO_2 capacities were estimated: **20,362 mIn Mg CO**₂



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PILOT PLANTS OF CO₂ CAPTURE AND UTILIZATION

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PILOT PLANTS OF <u>CO₂ CAPTURE</u> AND UTILIZATION

Project name: Development of a technology for highly efficient zero-emission coal-fired power units integrated with CO2 capture.

Objective: The main purpose of the project was to demonstrate the post combustion process in pilot plant connected to coalfired power plant.

Principal: National Research and Development Center (Poland)

Project duration: 1.04.2010 – 30.11.2015 (67 months)

Executors: TAURON Polish Energy, TAURON Production, Institute for Chemical Processing of Coal (IChPW)

- Mobile Pilot Plant for CO2 capture from flue gases was designed, constructed and operated at TAURON Łaziska Power Plant.
- The carbon capture facility is based on amine post-combustion process technology (amine scrubbing).
- The plant captured its first tonne of CO2 in August 2013.
- Since 2013 the pilot plant has been operated for >1400 h and successfully demonstrated reliable operation allowing the removal of over 55 000 kg of CO2 from flue gases using amine scrubbing process. It gives opportunity to determine the influence of the process parameters on plant's efficiency.
- In the coming years, the pilot plant will be used to evaluate advanced technological innovations..
- Key stages of research task are tests on Łaziska power plant in 2013 and Jaworzno power plant in 2014



Łaziska power plant in 2013



Mobile Pilot Plant



Jaworzno power plant in 2014



PILOT PLANTS OF CO₂ CAPTURE AND UTILIZATION

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Conversion of carbon dioxide captured from power units into **synthetic natural gas (SNG)** to be used as a vehicle fuel is the objective of the pilot plant commissioned by TAURON in the Łaziska power plant (October 2018).

Methane is generated as a result of reaction of CO₂ with hydrogen coming from water electrolysis.

The CO₂-SNG pilot has been designed and executed at the Łaziska Power Plant under the project performed by an international consortium led by TAURON Wytwarzanie.

The SNG (synthetic natural gas) produced in the period of electricity surplus may be injected into the existing natural gas network to be utilized in peak periods for energy production e.g. in gas turbines. After compression, it may be also used – already as – **CNG (Compressed Natural Gas)** in vehicle transport.

The project is co-financed by KIC InnoEnergy and EIT InnoEnergy supported by the European Institute of Innovation and Technology – EIT under the EU program in the field of research and innovation – Horizon 2020.







PILOT PLANTS OF CO₂ CAPTURE AND UTILIZATION

2012: Alabama Power Plant Barry – USA

- The same technology was used as in the TAURON's Pilot Plant for CO2 capture from flue gases in Poland (*post combustion capture – amine scrubbing*).
- In the US this is done on a much larger scale: from June 2011 to May 2013, over 139 thousand tonnes of CO2 in the capture station were obtained, which gives about 200 tons/day.

25-MW CCS Demo - 2012

"World's largest carbon capture facility on a fossil-fueled power plant



2017: Petra Nova Plant – Texas, USA

- The world's largest carbon capture facility at the coalpowered power plant.
- Post-combustion carbon capture technology to reduce Petra Nova's carbon emissions by 90 percent.
- An 80-mile pipeline to route the captured carbon dioxide to extends the life of mature oil fields - increase production at the West Ranch oil field (from 300 to 4000 barrels of oil per day) - helping make an environmental and economical solutions.
- Within the first 10 months of 2017, the plant delivered more than 1 million tons of captured carbon dioxide, which gives about **3200 tons/day.**



CONCLUSION

- The economic use of CO2 (CO2-EOR, CO2-EGR) in Poland is a **very limited**.
- An executive regulation allows presently **only offshore storage** in Poland as a result of the Transposition of Directive 2009/31/EC into Polish Law
- Performance assessments and projects that have been conducted in Poland have shown that **geologic settings are suitable for long-term storage of CO2**.
- Silesia region authorities strongly supports all activity trying to find solutions for CO₂ capture and utilization.



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