## Decarbonization of coal fired power plants using high temperature thermal storage technologies from solar power plants - from CoalAge to StorAge

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Climate Changed

# Germany's Coal Plants May Be Converted to Giant Batteries The storage units "could be converted from the mid-2020" The storage units "could be converted from the mid-2020"

By <u>Brian Parkin</u> and <u>William Wilkes</u> 10 de abril de 2019 9:01 GMT-4 The storage units "could be converted from the mid-2020s to innovative, long-term power plants storing surplus wind and solar power," the Economy and Energy Ministry said in its 32-page report on coal phaseout planning. No particular storage technology has been selected for the switch yet, according to the April 4 report.



### German Coal Commission published Jan 28, 2019 its report to step out from coal by 2038



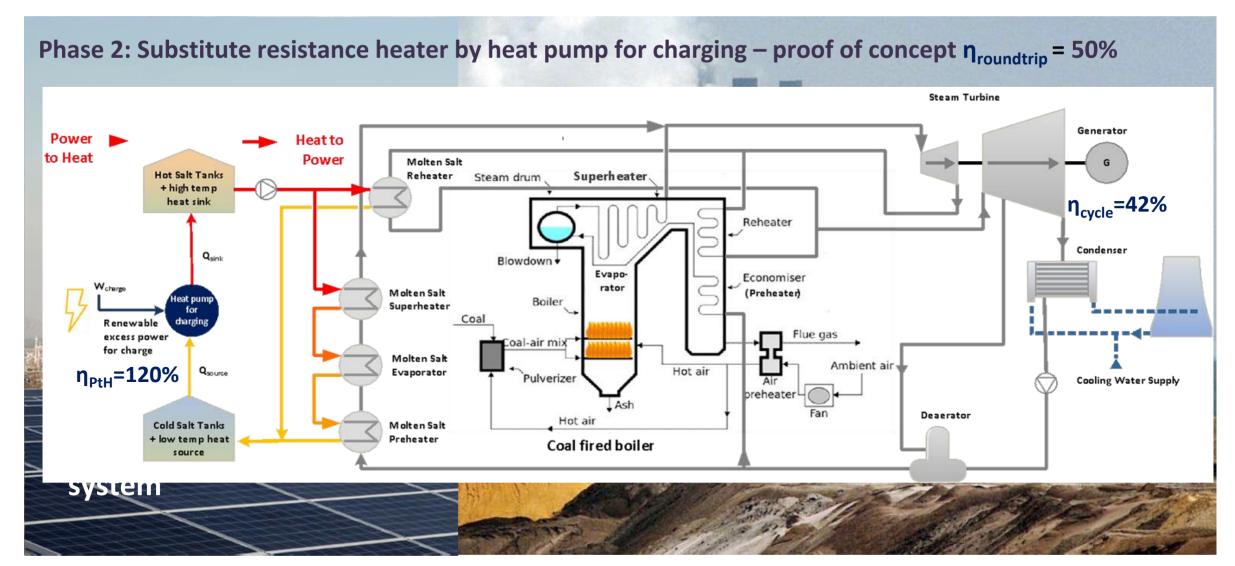
#### Addition of the molten salt storage island to the existing Rankine Cycle

Phase 1: Pilot integration of molten salt storage in existing coal plant – proof of concept  $\eta_{roundtrip} = 40\%$ Steam Turbine Generator Heat Storage \_\_\_ Heat to to Heat **Power** Molten Salt Reheater Superheater. Steam drum **Hot Salt Tanks**  $\eta_{cycle}$ =42% Reheater Condenser Blowdown Evapo-Economiser rator Molten Salt (Preheater) Electric Boiler Superheater Heater Coal up to 550ºC Flue gas Coal-air mix  $\eta_{PtH}$ =95% **Cooling Tower** Molten Salt Ambient air Hot air Evaporator Pulverizer **Cooling Water Supply** preheater Deaerator Hot air Molten Salt Preheater Cold Salt Tanks Coal fired boiler



system

#### Substitution of resistance heater with heat pump to improve charging efficiency





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### Store2Power Pilot Project Germany

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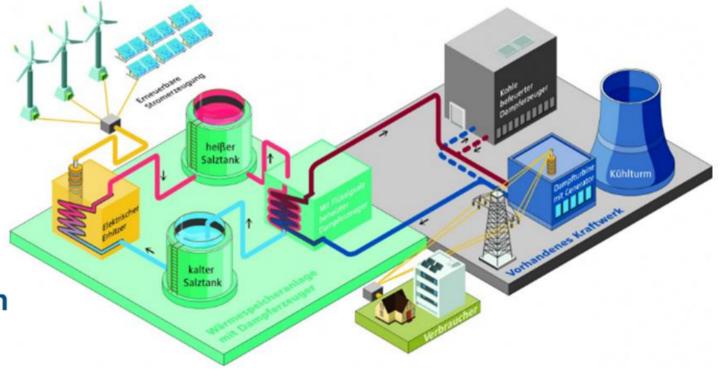
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#### Wegweisendes Pilotprojekt: Im Rheinischen Revier entsteht ein Wärmespeicherkraftwerk

- · Gemeinsame Planung von RWE Power, DLR und FH Aachen
- Flüssigsalz-Anlage integriert erneuerbare und konventionelle Energieträger und schafft Perspektive für Kraftwerksstandorte
- · Land NRW fördert Planung mit 2,9 Millionen Euro





#### Advantages of molten salt thermal storage over batteries and pumped hydro



- Low cost its components are mass used as fertilizer
- Inert low corrosion with carbon steel
- Non Toxic / non penetrating in ground soil its freezing at contact
- Durable good for 35 years charge discharge cycles
- Capable of achieving high temperatures at ambient pressure
- Can be used as heat transfer fluid and easily exchange heat with other working fluids (water/steam, HTF)
- High mass specific energy density magnitudes higher than water in pumped hydro and in comparable range of batteries
- Abundant availability
- Reusable



#### Perspectives for other countries



REGULATION & POLICY

### PacifiCorp Proposes Replacing Wyoming Coal Plants With Renewables and Storage

For the first time, the Berkshire Hathaway-owned utility has outlined a plan that could save customers money by retiring coal plants early. But it faces a challenge in Wyoming's new coal protection law.

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#### Lithium and termal storage salts come from same source

#### - the Salar de Atacama



**Lithium Mining in the Atacama** 



Solar Salt Mining (NaNO<sub>3</sub> and KNO<sub>3</sub>) in the Atacama



#### Chile has world best direct normal and global horizontal irradiation

