GIORNATA DI STUDIO



LE ATTIVITÀ DELL'UNIVERSITÀ DI PISA SUL TEMA DEGLI EFFETTI DEL CAMBIAMENTO CLIMATICO

GHG Emissions in industrial activities: the role of technologies for their management and reduction.

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Global energy-related CO₂ emissions, 2000-2017



Annual total CO2 emissions by region







Global CO2 atmospheric concentration



While enabling over 200 years of industrialization and development, the use of coal, oil and gas have contributed substantially to the rise in atmospheric carbon dioxide (CO2) from **275 ppm in 1750 to 400 ppm today**.

Source: NOAA/ESRL (2018) OurWorldInData.org/co2-and-other-greenhouse-gas-emissions/ • CC BY







Breakdown of total greenhouse gas emissions by sector, measured in tonnes of carbon-dioxide equivalents (CO₂e).



- Carbon dioxide equivalents measures the total greenhouse gas potential of the full combination of gases, weighted by their relative warming impacts (methane, N₂O, others)
- Non-energy sectors such as cement production agriculture, farming, forestry and land-use change are also major contributors to GHG emissions, and are equally or more difficult to mitigate.







The **United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change** is the main international agreement on climate actions. The UNFCCC entered into force on 21 March 1994.

«the growing accumulation of man-made greenhouse gases (GHG) would enhance the greenhouse effect, resulting on average in an additional warming of the Earth's surface by the next century, unless measures were adopted to limit emissions»

Today, it has near-universal membership. The 197 countries that have ratified the Convention are called Parties to the Convention.

Since then there has been two issues related to the UNFCCC:

- Ratification of the Doha amendment to the Kyoto Protocol (country reduction targets), which concerns commitments under the second period, running from 2013-2020.
- Paris Agreement or COP21 is a new global climate change agreement covering all UNFCCC countries, its ratification, implementation and enters into force in 2020.

The Paris agreement sets out a global action plan to put the world on track to avoid dangerous climate change by limiting global warming to well below 2°C and pursuing efforts to limit it to 1.5°C.

https://www.cop25.cl/#/



a) Observed global temperature change and modeled responses to stylized anthropogenic emission and forcing pathways

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1980

2100



emissions in pathways

2060

reaching net zero in

2055 and 2040

Faster immediate CO₂ emission reductions limit cumulative CO₂ emissions shown in panel (c).

2060

2020

Maximum temperature rise is determined by cumulative net CO_2 emissions and net non- CO_2 radiative forcing due to methane, nitrous oxide, aerosols and other anthropogenic forcing agents.

1980

INTERGOVERNMENTAL PANEL ON CLIMATE CHARGE

Global Warming of 1.5°C

An IPCC Special Report on the impacts of global warming of 1.5°C above pre-industrial levels and related global greenhouse gas emission pathways, in the context of strengthening the global response to the threat of climate change, sustainable development, and efforts to eradicate poverty



The IPCC was created to provide

policymakers with regular scientific assessments on climate change, its implications and potential future risks, as well as to put forward adaptation and mitigation options.



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Measures needed to surpass current NDCs to reach 2°C trajectory (450 Scenario), through 2040





Source: Adapted from IEA (2015b), World Energy Outlook 2015.

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INTERGOVERNMENTAL PANEL ON CLIMATE CHANES

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Each Party's Intended Nationally Determined Contribution (INDC) submitted for the Paris Agreement will formally become an NDC when each Party ratifies the Agreement. This publication uses the term NDC to refer to both cases (INDC and NDC)



Technologies and Research Topics



The Department of Civil and Industrial Engineering of Pisa University is involved in several projects concerning carbon reduction, the Climate Change and access to energy, in collaboration with Public and Private organisations, and international networks.



The research topics at DICI can be summarized as:

- Managing emissions from industrial production;
- Reducing emissions from power generation: natural gas and renewables;
 - Carbon capture, use and sequestration







Motivation

- Energy efficiency
- Improve NG utilization
- Utilization of alternative fuels (NG/H₂ mixtures, biogas/bio-methane) in industrial and domestic applications
- How?
 - Advanced simulations for optimization (pollutants, CO₂, efficiency)
 - Pilot and bench test of burners and componenets

People:

- Prof. Chiara Galletti
- Prof. Leonardo Tognotti
- Dr. Federica Barontini

Partners (some)













Topic #1: Natural gas and hydrogen /syngas for the transition to a decarbonized fuel



NOVEL COMBUSTION TECHNOLOGIES (flameless or MILD combustion)

- development of numerical models
- improve burner design
- use of alternative fuels



Collaborations













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constraints



Topic #2: Reducing emissions from energy generation: Biomass & Biofuels

Motivation:

- Near-zero emissions options for energy generation at local and medium scale are represented by renewables. While these technologies continue to be developed, additional technical breakthroughs will be needed to achieve cost-effective deployment at the scale needed to transform the energy system.
- The main objectives were to **demonstrate the feasibility and availability** of technologies for <u>local, small scale, distributed generation</u>

How:

- Biomass combustion, in collaboration with DESTEC -Department of Energy, Systems, Territory and Construction –
- Biomass gasification and anaerobic digestion have been the main topics of research of DICI in the last decade, including biofuel production biomethane, torrefied biomass, etc.















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Topic #2: Biomass Combustion/Gasification/Anaerobic Digestion







Lab-scale

- Fuel fingerprinting
- TG-FTIR, tar analysis
- Kinetics from TGA and DTR





Pilot-scale

- High temperature and heating rate test
- Kinetics from CFD qualification procedures

EXPERIMENTS



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Semi- & industrial scales

- Gasification: downdraft reactor
- Pyrolysis: fixed-bed reactor with tar sampling
- Combustion: fixed-bed boilers





 Combustion: CFD-XDEM models for moving grate boilers







Topic #3: the future: CO2 capture and use





Our roadmap for decarbonization TARGETS @ 2025 TARGETS @ 2030 UPS UNITARY DIRECT EMISSIONS - 43% vs 2014 ZERO ROUTINE GAS FLARING FUGITIVE EMISSIONS | MtCH4 - 80% vs 2014







- All the technologies
- Taken from University of Sheffield





Thank you for your attention

