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1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 GENERAL

The Implementing Agreement for a programme of research, development and demonstration on advanced fuel cells was signed by seven countries in Paris on April 2nd, 1990. Since that time, a further twelve countries have signed the Implementing Agreement and two countries (Spain and New Zealand) have left the Agreement. The current participants are Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, Korea, Netherlands, Norway, Sweden, Switzerland, UK and USA.

The aim of the IEA Advanced Fuel Cells programme is to advance the state of understanding of all Contracting Parties in the field of advanced fuel cells. It achieves this through a co-ordinated programme of research, technology development and system analysis on Molten Carbonate (MCFC), Solid Oxide (SOFC) and Polymer Electrolyte Fuel Cell (PEFC) systems. There is a strong emphasis on information exchange through Task meetings, workshops and reports. The work is undertaken on a task-sharing basis with each participating country providing an agreed level of effort over the period of the Task.

The IEA's Committee on Energy Research and Technology (CERT) approved a five-year extension to the Advanced Fuel Cells Implementing Agreement in November 2003. The extension is underway and will run from 2004 until the end of December 2008. The Implementing Agreement covers fuel cell technology and its potential applications in stationary power generation, portable power applications and transport.

This report gives an overview of the status, progress and future plans of the programme, summarising the activities and decisions of the Executive Committee as well as of each of the Tasks.

1.2 PARTICIPANTS

The following seventeen IEA-member countries participated in this Implementing Agreement during 2005. Spain and New Zealand were previously Participants but left the Implementing Agreement before 1999.

Country	Signatory Party	Date of Signature
Australia	Ceramic Fuel Cells Limited (CFCL)	November 1995
Austria	Austrian Energy Agency (EVA)	September 2004
Belgium	Vlaamse Instelling voor Technologisc	h November 2002
_	Onderzoek (VITO)	
Canada	Delegation to the OECD	November 1991
Denmark	Riso National Laboratory	September 2004

France	Commissariat à l'Energie Atomique (CEA),	May 2005
Finland	Finnish National Technology Agency (TEKES)	May 2002
Germany	Forschungszentrum Jülich	December 1992
Italy	Ente per le Nuove Tecnologie,	April 1990
Japan	l'Energia e l'Ambiente (ENEA) New Energy and Industrial Technology	Δnril 1000
Јаран	Development Organisation (NEDO)	Дрії 1990
Korea	The Korea Electric Power Corporation (KEPCO)	April 1998
Netherlands	Netherlands Energy Research	April 1990
	Foundation (ECN) (from October	
	1999, previously Netherlands Agency	
	for Energy and the Environment (NOVEM)	
Norway	Research Council for Norway (from	April 1990
,	October 1994, previously the	,
	Norwegian Council for Scientific and	
	Industrial Research)	
Sweden	The Swedish National Energy	April 1990
	Administration (STEM) (from December 1998, previously NUTEK)	
Switzerland	Office Féderale de l'Energie (OFEN)	April 1990
United Kingdom	Department of Trade and Industry	September 1990
_	(from April 1992, previously the	•
	Department of Energy)	
United States	Department of Energy	May 1995

The Executive Committee meets twice a year under the Chairmanship of Prof Lars Sjunnesson (Sydkraft, Sweden). The Vice-Chairman is Prof Detlef Stolten and the Secretariat consists of Mrs Heather Haydock, Ms Claire Handley and Mrs Grace Gordon (all AEA Technology, UK). The IEA/OECD representative during 2005 was Mr Jeppe Bjerg from the Energy Technology Policy Division.

The following table lists all the Executive Committee Members their Alternates and the Operating Agents of the different Annexes at the end of 2005. Addresses and contact numbers are given in Appendix 1 to this report.

Country	Ex Co	Alternate	Operating	Annex
	Member	Member	Agent	No.
Australia Austria Belgium Canada Denmark Finland France	G Simader G van Bogaert V Scepanovic F Luxhoi H Kotila N Bardi	K Foger V Hacker E Andrukaitis S Linderoth R Rosenberg		

Germany	D Stolten	H Nabielek	H Dohle G Erdmann	XXI XX
Italy Japan	R Vellone T Ikeya	A Moreno		
Korea Netherlands	H-C Lim	T-H Lim	T H Lim	XVII
Norway	R Hildrum	R Aaberg		
Sweden Switzerland	L Sjunnesson A Hintermann	B Gustafsson	B Ridell	XIX
UK	R Eaton	G Vaughan		
USA	N Garland	M Williams	D Myers	XVI
			S Singhal	XVIII

1.3 CURRENT AND FUTURE ANNEXES

Six Annexes were approved and commenced in 2004:

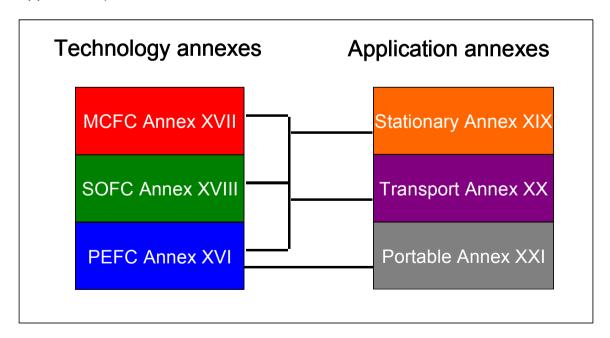
Annex XVI Polymer Electrolyte Fuel Cells.

Annex XVII Molten Carbonate
Annex XVIII Solid Oxide Fuel Cells.

Annex XIX Fuel Cells Fuel Cells for Stationary Applications.

Annex XX Fuel Cells for Transportation.
Annex XXI Fuel Cells for Portable Applications

Together these six annexes form an integrated programme of work for 2004 to 2008, comprising three technology-based annexes (MCFC, SOFC and PEFC) and three application-based annexes (stationary, transportation and portable applications), as shown below.



The programme places a greater emphasis on application- and market-orientated issues than previously, whilst continuing to address technology development and information management. The scope and timing of the programme are shown below.

Scope of the programme for 2005-2006

Information Management Internal and external network	Implementation and Application Issues Reduction of barriers	Technology Development Stationary, Mobile, Portable MCFC, SOFC, PEFC
Co-ordination within the Implementing Agreement Co-ordination with other Implementing Agreements Public awareness and education	Market issues Environmental issues Non-technical barriers (e.g. standards, regulations) User requirements and evaluation of demonstrations	Cell and stack - cost and performance - endurance - materials - modelling - test procedures - minimise size of stack Balance of Plant - tools - availability - data base Fuel processing Power conditioning Safety analysis

Timescales

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	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
MCFC	Annex VI Annex XIV				Annex XVII								
SOFC	Annex VII Ann			Annex XIII			Annex XVIII						
PEFC	Annex VIII Ani			Annex XI				Annex XVI					
Stationary	Annex IX Annex XII					Anr	nex >	⟨IX					
Transport	Annex X Annex XV			(V	Anr	nex >	〈Χ						
Portable						Anr	nex >	⟨XI					

2. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

2.1 MEMBERSHIP AND PARTICIPATION

No new member countries joined the agreement in 2005.

There were changes in the Executive Committee membership in 2005 for France. The Commissariat à l'Energie Atomique (CEA), replaced Agence de l'Environnement et de la Maîtrise de l'Energie (ADEME) as the French Contracting Party with Nicolas Bardi from CEA replacing Dr Gerard Chaumain from ADEME as ExCo member.

Tomohiko Ikeya replaced Nobuhiro Kuriyama as ExCo member for Japan, and Frank de Bruijn (ECN) replaced Sytze van der Molen (also ECN) as ExCo member for the Netherlands.

Six Operating Agents continued to run the Annexes initiated in 2004. Dr Debbie Myers continued her role as Operating Agent for the PEMFC activities under the Annex XVI. Dr Tae Hoon Lim held a second year as Annex XVII Operating Agent. The two German operating agents were; Professor Georg Erdmann for Annex XX and Dr Hendrik Dohle for Annex XXI. Bengt Ridell continued his management of Stationary fuel cell activities as Operating Agent for Annex XIX. Finally, Subhash Singhal was Overall Operating Agent for Annex XVIII, though this position is rotated and the Interim Operating Agent for 2005 was Dr Brian Borglum.

2.2 ACTIVITIES AND DECISIONS

2.2.1 Activities

Two Executive Committee meetings were held. The 30th Executive Committee meeting was held in Copenhagen, Denmark 28/29 April 2005 and the 31st meeting was held in Palm Springs California, USA in November 2005.

The web site for ExCo members was updated during 2005. The members' section of the web site now comprises a section for ExCo members and sections for each of the 6 annexes, each accessed using a different user name and password. The annex sections will allow experts participating in an annex to upload and download papers themselves.

This is in addition to the public web site (www.ieafuelcell.com), which provides information on the programme, downloadable publications, contact details and links to other fuel cell organisations.

The 2004 Annual Report was prepared and distributed.

On behalf of the ExCo, the Secretary prepared a contribution on the Advanced Fuel Cells Implementing Agreement for the 2004 Implementing Agreement Highlights publication. The Highlights publication was presented to the IEA Ministers at their bi-annual meeting in late April 2005 in Paris. On behalf of the ExCo, the Secretary has recently prepared a contribution on the Advanced Fuel Cells Implementing Agreement for the EUWP Autumn Status Report on Transport related Implementing Agreements.

The Executive Committee continued to co-ordinate its activities with other relevant IEA Implementing Agreements. This has included cross-representation on the Executive Committees of the Hydrogen Implementing Agreement. An update on possible areas for co-operation was presented at the ExCo31 meeting.

2.2.2 Decisions

The French energy ministry proposed to change its Contracting Party to the Agreement. This change was subsequently confirmed by the IEA. As of 9 May 2005, The Commissariat à l'Energie Atomique (CEA), now replaces la Maîtrise de l'Energie (ADEME) as the French Contracting Party in the AFC IA."

The ExCo unanimously approved a proposal from the IEA Legal Office to change the text of the Advanced Fuel Cells Implementing Agreement (IA) relating to the admission of new Contracting Parties to the IA.

2.2.3 Financing and Procedures

All activities under the Annexes of the Implementing Agreement are task shared. The only cost shared activity is the Common Fund, which provides funding for the Executive Committee Secretariat.

There were no changes to the procedural guidelines for the programme during this year.

2.2.4 Future Plans

Information exchange with other Implementing Agreements will continue to be encouraged, building on links already in place with the Hydrogen and Hybrid Electric Vehicle Implementing Agreements.

The two Executive Committee meetings will be held in 2006. The first will be held in Mol, Belgium on 20 April 2006. The second meeting will be held in Oslo, Norway on 2 -3 November.

Continued implementation of the approved work programme for six new Annexes and an accompanying programme of cross-cutting workshops and other activities. The six Annexes comprise three technology-specific annexes on

PEFC, SOFC and MCFC, and three application-specific annexes on stationary, transportation and portable applications.

3. KEY ACHIEVEMENTS

This section of the Annual Report summarises the key achievements of the programme during the year.

3.1 ACHIEVEMENTS OF ANNEX XVI PEFC

There have been a number of important technical achievements for Annex XVI, as detailed in section 4.1.

3.2 ACHIEVEMENTS OF ANNEX XVII MCFC

The latest R&D data on stack technology and new materials for longer life and higher performance at lower cost were discussed at the first meeting of Annex XVII. The latest findings, particularly fuel options and the requirements for fuel from the operational experiences of several field test systems, were presented at the meeting. The progress in system updating and optimization by each member country was introduced. These topics will be continuously dealt with at future annual meetings.

During the second meeting, an interesting new observation on volatilization of molten carbonate from electrodes was reported, which showed much faster volatilization from anode than cathode. A test result of bi-functional anode, capable of electrolyte reservoir as well as electrode, verified the possibility of solving the problem of electrolyte depletion.

A lifetime estimation method was suggested by analyzing a 40,000-hour single cell operation. The estimation model was found to be in good agreement with long-term operation results.

Outstanding operation results of various demonstration sites in Europe, USA, and Japan were reported. Some of them succeeded in achieving more than 20,000-hour operation without having any serious problems. However, to be competitive in the market, further improvement is required, particularly in terms of durability and cost. These topics will be on the agenda of future meetings.

3.3 ACHIEVEMENTS OF ANNEX XVIII SOFC

Annex XVIII held a very successful workshop in May 2005. Twenty six participants from Australia, Canada, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Japan, Netherlands, Sweden, Switzerland, United Kingdom, and United States attended the Workshop. Presentations included review of SOFC development activities in member countries in addition to several topical technical reports.

3.4 ACHIEVEMENTS OF ANNEX XIX FUEL CELLS FOR STATIONARY APPLICATIONS

Annex XIX 'Fuel Cells for Stationary Applications' is still in the early stages but the subtasks are well defined and the work is now running at full pace. Outlines of the subtask reports have been presented and some of the subtasks have already achieved important results.

Some preliminary findings can be reported.

- The use of alternative fuels, waste and renewables can be very important for the introduction of high temperature fuel cells. There is a vast market of alternative locally produced fuels that can be used in an efficient way in stationary fuel cells. The high efficiency of the fuel cells also for smaller sizes is a major advantage in comparison with other technologies. These fuels are very important to solve the issue of decreasing the dependency on imports of foreign fossil fuels.
- The balance of plant components in fuel cell systems is still far from commercial as it is too expensive for a commercial product. For most fuel cell projects the components are still custom made. They have to be designed for mass production. A harmonisation and standardisation of the design of the balance of plant components will lower the costs and increase the reliability and thus speed up the commercialisation of fuel cells systems. It has been found that the issue is very sensitive among the developers as they see a risk to reveal their proprietary system design to their competitors.
- The existing Codes and standards have to be adjusted to facilitate the introduction of a large number of stationary fuel cells. This work has now started in Japan and several of the codes and standards have been modified to ensure practical installations of fuel cell systems in houses.

3.5 ACHIEVEMENTS OF ANNEX XX FUEL CELL SYSTEMS FOR TRANSPORTATION

No specific achievements were reported for Annex XX.

3.6 ACHIEVEMENTS OF ANNEX XXI PORTABLE FUEL CELLS

Notable achievements have been made in the area of portable DMFC systems, alternative energy carriers and stack control.

A portable DMFC system in the kW class was presented. The stack consists of graphite bipolar plates with a simple 2-D geometry, which can be easily manufactured by a stamping process. The nominal power of the stack is 1.3 kW. It consists of 100 cells with a cell area of 310 cm² each. The pressure loss is 2 mbar which is low enough to use a fan instead of a compressor for the air side. Cooling of the stack is effected by evaporation of water in the cathode side of the cell, i.e. there is no heat exchanger required in the anode loop. The methanol supply rate is adjusted to the current. At nominal power of 1.3 kW an additional

amount of 25% of methanol is fed to the anode loop. Therefore, a methanol sensor is not required in the system. The stack itself has a power density of 90 W/kg. An important way to reduce weight and volume of the whole system was to integrate as much of the system components into the stack. For example the stack contains the anode pump, the gas separators as well as the exhaust gas treatment.

For smaller systems the use of alternative energy carriers has been successfully investigated. NaBH₄ has been demonstrated to be an appropriate energy carrier for small portable systems. The estimated energy density is 720 Wh/kg. A first prototype of a NaBH₄ tank for wireless phones has been shown.

The DMFC is a promising system for mobile phones in terms of long-time operation. A 50ml tank of methanol provides enough energy for 30 days stand by or 15 hours talking.

A new approach for controlling stacks was presented. The main idea is to insert into a stack in order to determine the current density distribution. This distribution is used as an input signal for a controller. For example, very low cathodic air flows will be detected by a drop of the current density in the end region of the cell. Therefore, the system can be better controlled as it directly uses the information from inside of the stack.

4. TASK REPORTS

4.1 REPORT TASK XI PHASE II POLYMER ELECTROLYTE FUEL CELLS

4.1.1 Duration

This Annex, Task XVI, entered into force on January 1, 2004, and is scheduled to remain in force until December 31, 2008.

4.1.2 Operating Agent

Argonne National Laboratory, Contractor, for the United States Department of Energy

4.1.3 Participants

Agencies from thirteen countries were involved in this Annex during the year 2005:

Austria: Graz University of Technology

Belgium: Flemish Institute for Technological Research, Vito

Canada: The Government of Canada

Denmark: IRD A/S

Finland: VTT Processes

Germany: Forschungszentrum-Jülich GmbH

ICT Fraunhofer

Italy: Ente per le Nuove Technologie, l'Energia e l'Ambient,

ENEA

Japan: New Energy and Industrial Technology Development

Organisation, NEDO

Korea: Korea Institute of Energy Research

Netherlands: Netherlands Energy Research Foundation (ECN)

Norway: Norwegian Technical University, NTNU

Sweden: Swedish National Energy Administration (STEM)

United Kingdom: Secretary of State for Industry

United States: The Department of Energy of the U. S. Government.

4.1.4 Objective

The objective of this Task is to contribute to the identification and development of techniques to reduce the cost and improve the performance of polymer electrolyte fuel cells (PEFCs) as well as PEFC systems.

4.1.5 Task Description

This Task consists of three subtasks:

Subtask 1. New Stack Materials

Research in this subtask aims to develop improved, lower-cost membranes, electrode catalysts and structures, membrane-electrode assemblies (MEAs), bipolar plates and other stack materials and designs. The effort includes:

- composite and high-temperature membranes
- membranes that conduct protons without external humidification
- reduced precious metal loadings in electrodes
- non-precious metal cathode and anode catalysts
- anode catalysts and electrode layer configurations with enhanced tolerance to carbon monoxide
- higher-activity cathodes
- lower-cost bipolar plates and other stack materials
- lower-cost, continuous fabrication techniques for MEAs
- stack materials for stacks operating at higher temperatures (>100°C)

Subtask 2. System and Balance-of-Plant Issues

This subtask addresses system-level and balance-of-plant issues in PEFC systems. This subtask involves development, engineering, modelling, testing, and standardization of test procedures involving:

- fuel processors, fuel processing catalysts, and supports
- gas purification membranes
- compact fuel reformers and micro-structured reactors
- the effect of contaminants, operating environments, duty cycles, and operating temperatures including temperatures below 0°C
- system designs offering efficiency and dynamic response while maintaining costs, weights, and volumes within target values
- the reliability, durability, rapid-start, and dynamic behaviour of PEFC systems

Subtask 3. Direct Fuel Polymer Electrolyte Fuel Cells

The objective of this subtask is to improve the performance and lifetime of direct fuel polymer electrolyte fuel cells, including direct methanol and direct sodium borohydride fuel cells. This subtask involves identification and development of improved:

- anode and cathode catalysts
- electrode/electrolyte structures
- fuel impermeable membrane electrolytes
- anion-conducting membranes
- concepts in stack materials and designs

4.1.6 Progress Summary

4.1.6.1 Background

This Annex continues the work previously conducted under Annex XI Phase II, Annex XI, Annex VIII, and Annex IV. Austria, Denmark, and Finland are three countries that did not participate in Annex XI Phase II, but are participating in this Annex XVI.

4.1.6.2 Activities

The Annex XVI working group met at Vito-Energy Technology, Mol, Belgium on June 1-2, 2005 for the spring meeting, and at Loughborough University, Loughborough, United Kingdom, on November 30-December 1, 2005 for the fall meeting. Discussions at these workshops indicate that progress is being made in all subtasks of the Annex, as highlighted in the next section.

4.1.7 Technical Accomplishments

Subtask 1: New Stack Materials

- Studying alternative stack materials, such as the membranes, polysulfone and lignosulfate. Lignosulfate has lower methanol crossover than Nafion. (Austria)
- Designing 1 kW stack prototype, testing 250 kW Ballard stack, developing mathematical models. (Belgium)
- Developing high-temperature membranes from poly(2,5-benzimidazole) and related polymers. Achieved conductivity of 0.094 S/cm at 140°C and 20% RH. (Germany)
- Developing membrane materials, stack components, and balance-of-plant for automotive PEMFC systems. (Germany)
- Developing metallic bipolar plate materials using commercial stainless steels, nickel-based alloys, and coated steels. Found coatings provide passivation while improving electronic conductivity. (Italy)
- Asahi Glass Co and Asahi Kasei Chemicals Corp are developing hightemperature polymer electrolytes of modified perfluorocarbons. Improved mechanical and chemical stability has been seen with these membranes. (Japan)
- Developed MEAs with performance at 60°C comparable to that of commercial MEA performance at 70°C. Lowered the anode loading to 0.05 mg Pt/cm² and the cathode loading to 0.2 mg/cm² with no loss in short-term power density. Achieved 27 mS/cm at 100°C and 44% RH (Nafion 117: 4.43 mS/cm) using acid-base membrane. (Korea)
- Evaluating the performance of thin-film electrodes based on high-surface-area carbon supports. (Netherlands)
- Round trip efficiency of >40% achieved for a reversible fuel cell-electrolyzer.
 Stable operation of 800 hours accomplished. (Netherlands)
- Using carbon nanofibers and ruthenium-titanium mixed oxides for improved stability of electrocatalyst supports for PBI-phosphoric acid high-temperature polymer electrolyte fuel cells. (Norway)
- Exploring sub-stoichiometric titania as catalyst supports using high-throughput combinatorial methods. (United Kingdom)
- Developing polymer-carbon composite bipolar plates. (United Kingdom)
- Exploring the use of phosphoric acid and polybenzimidazole as a protonconducting polymer membrane for high temperature polymer electrolyte fuel cells. (United Kingdom)
- Determining the effect of operating conditions and catalyst form on platinum electrocatalyst degradation. Developing non-Pt electrocatalysts based on noble metal-base metal bimetallics and alternative supports. (United States)

Subtask 2: System and Balance-of-Plant Issues

- Coordinating the European ACCEPT program for developing an ammonia fuel-PEM power system for transportation applications. Developed a current, voltage monitoring system for PEFC stacks which is fast, low cost, and has low power consumption. (Belgium)
- Demonstrating a 5 kW Idatech LPG fuel processor-fuel cell system. (Belgium)
- Developing and producing DMFC and PEM MEAs and constructing fuel cell stacks based on those MEAs. (Denmark)
- Constructing a 1 kW PEM, hydrogen generators, and an alkaline "fuel cell battery". (Finland)
- Developing a costing tool for fuel cell systems. (Germany)
- Developing a 200-500 W stack and system for low-pressure operation, for applications such as personal computers. Parasitic power losses are reduced using passive cooling and membrane humidification systems. The stack has been manufactured using automated desktop milling of the bipolar plate and uses the ENEA membrane-electrode gasket technology. (Italy)
- Designing and manufacturing bipolar plates for low-pressure PEMFC operation. (Italy)
- Organizing and monitoring the research and development of PEMFC systems and establishing codes and standards and regulations pertaining to PEMFC systems. (Japan)
- Developing a microchannel methanol reformer for the 10-50 W battery replacement application (laptops). Operating 250-260°C, the 72 cc reformer produces hydrogen at a rate of 330 sccm. (Korea)
- Developing an on-board reformer for dimethyl ether for auxiliary power applications. (Sweden)
- Modeling transport processes in polymer electrolyte fuel cells. An example of the model predictions is non-uniform water concentration throughout the membrane. (United Kingdom)

Subtask 3: Direct Fuel Polymer Electrolyte Fuel Cells

- Optimizing the system configuration and ancillary power draw for a direct methanol fuel cell system. (Germany)
- Developing mixed reactant direct methanol fuel cell. A mixed reactant system operating at 90°C using a Pt-Ru anode and a Ru-Se/C cathode showed a maximum power density of 32 mW/cm². (United Kingdom)
- Developed an anion-exchange membrane alkaline direct methanol fuel cells (DMFCs) and hydrogen-air fuel cell. Achieved a maximum power of 34 mW/cm² for H₂-air and high DMFC power densities. (United Kingdom)
- Developing cell materials for a direct borohydride fuel cell. (United Kingdom)

4.1.8 Work Plan for Next Year

The general consensus of the Working Group is that, due to the rapid advances being made in the development of polymer electrolyte fuel cells, it is difficult, and perhaps inappropriate, to develop a detailed work plan for any significant length of time. Instead, each participant is working from a generic program plan that identifies the tasks and areas of effort. These are summarised below, by participating country.

Austria: Direct methanol fuel cells, fuel cell stack and cell model, and

fuel cell power system modeling

Belgium: Fuel cell, stack, and component testing, system integration

and testing, determination of technical feasibility of using

ammonia as a distributed fuel for fuel cells

Canada: Membrane, electrode, and bipolar plate development,

characterisation, and modelling

Denmark: Direct methanol and hydrogen-air fuel cell systems

Finland: Direct methanol fuel cells for micro-power applications.

electrocatalyst development, stack construction and testing,

and MEA development

Direct methanol and hydrogen-air fuel cells, materials, and Germany:

systems

MEAs, catalysts, fuel cell stack and system testing and Italy:

analysis

Stack materials and component designs, MEAs, bipolar Japan:

> plates, effects of ambient air contaminants, codes and standards, and demonstrations of fuel cell electric vehicles.

fuelling stations, and stationary systems

Korea: MEA fabrication Stack development and testing.

> development and performance characterisation, system integration and testing, control system development, and micro direct methanol fuel cells for consumer applications

The Netherlands: CO tolerance, low humidity membranes, and system and cell

modelling

High temperature polymer electrolyte fuel cell development, Norway:

> electrocatalysts, hydrogen-chlorine fuel cells, and the integration of a methanol reformer and a high temperature

fuel cell

Sweden: Fuel processing, fuel cell materials and designs

United Kingdom: CO tolerance. electrocatalyst development, systems

> analysis, direct methanol fuel cells with alkaline membrane electrolyte, bipolar plates, and direct methanol fuel cells

United States: Modelling and systems analysis, high-temperature polymer

electrolytes, non-platinum electrocatalysts,

methanol fuel cells

4.2 REPORT TASK XVII MOLTEN CARBONATE FUEL CELLS TOWARDS COMMERCIALIZATION

4.2.1 Duration

Original period: January 1, 2004 to December 31, 2008.

4.2.2 Operating Agent

Korea Institute of Science and Technology (KIST) of Korea.

4.2.3 Participants

Original Participants:

Germany Forschungszentrum Jülich GmbH (KFA)

through Motoren und Turbinen Union Friedrichshafen

GmbH (MTU)

Italy Ente Nazionale per le Nuove Tecnologie l'Energia

e l'Ambiente (ENEA)

Japan New Energy and Industrial Technology Development

Organization (NEDO)

Korea Ministry of Commerce, Industry and Energy (MOCIE)

through Korea Institute of Science and Technology (KIST)

United States US Department of Energy (DOE) through Fuel Cell Energy

(FCE)

4.2.4 Objective

The objective shall be to provide for further international collaboration in the research and development of certain aspects of MCFC technology, in order to realize commercialization of the MCFC system. These aspects shall include:

- (a) Improvement of performance, endurance, and cost effectiveness, for stacks and BOP.
- (b) Development and standardisation of effective test-procedures for materials, cells and stacks.
- (c) Identification of present and envisaged problems to be solved for commercialisation.

4.2.5 Task Description

(a) Subtask A: Stack and New-material Technology for Longer Life, Higher Performance and Lower Cost.

Subtask-leader: KIST(Korea).

In this subtask, a basic analysis is made of stack performance improvements needed for commercial systems. Discussion focuses on the following topics.

- (1) Survey of alternative materials for cell components
- (2) Survey of long lifetime stack
- (3) Survey of high performance stack
- (4) Survey of low cost stack
- (b) Subtask B: Operating experiences and fuels for MCFC Subtask-leader: MTU(Germany)

In this subtask, information and experiences from various demonstrations of each participant country regarding "Operating experiences and Fuel for MCFC" are exchanged and discussed in order to accelerate the commercialization of MCFC systems.

- (1) Sharing and discussion of operation data, stack problems and BOP and their countermeasures, etc.
 - (2) Discussion on characteristics of fuels from various sources
 - (3) Standardization of fuel processing for MCFC
 - (c) Subtask C: System updating and optimization Subtask-leader: ENEA (Italy).

In this subtask, technical reviews will be made, aimed at the realisation of effective MCFC systems. Discussion will be carried out on performance, reliability, cost, operability, etc. Activities will be carried out on the following items. Items (1) through (2) will be discussed at every meeting to share up-to-date information of the participants' experiences.

- (1) Survey of system configuration and BOP components (total efficiency, control, site space, improvement of components, etc.)
- (2) Operation experiences of BOP (operating data, problems and their countermeasures, etc.)
- (3) Possibility of more effective systems in the future (higher efficiencies, utilisation of coal gas, CO₂ recovery, etc.)
- (4) Solutions towards commercialisation (cost, market, operability, etc.).

4.2.6 Progress Summary

4.2.6.1 Background

The attractions of the Molten Carbonate Fuel Cell (MCFC) as a power source have been understood for quite some time. However, it has also been realized that a number of problems, mainly related to endurance and cost, have to be overcome or overridden before commercialization of MCFC technology can come within sight. By the end of 1991, initiatives were taken for collaborative work in this respect, within the IEA Programme on Advanced Fuel Cells. After canvassing interest during a workshop in June 1992 at ECN in The Netherlands, Annex III "MCFC Materials and Electrochemistry" was started in May 1993 with the participation of Germany, Italy, Japan, the Netherlands and Sweden. The Annex remained active to the end of 1995, dealing with the endurance problems

connected to corrosion of the bi-polar plate, dissolution of the cathode, and the electrolyte inventory of MCFC stacks. Apart from an extensive data-exchange and fruitful expert discussions, the main result of the Annex was a consensus on the relative importance of the endurance limitations mentioned. In addition, life-time estimations were made relating to the eventual mal-functioning of cells and stacks caused by the phenomena studied.

At the finalisation of Annex III it was recognised that, for further progress in endurance improvement and cost reduction, better quantitative studies would be necessary. Such studies should, in addition to estimates for endurance limitations by malfunctioning, analyse the rate of gradual degradations of stack performance and assess its contributions. Subsequently, ways to reduce the various degradation contributions should be identified.

From another Annex under the Advanced Fuel Cell Program, Annex I "MCFC BOP Analysis" it became clear that further work would be necessary to reveal possibilities for Balance-of-Plant (BOP) technology with improved reliability and reduced cost. Also, the study of BOP provides for interfacing between systemuser requirements and stack operational windows, and the resulting consequences for performance and endurance.

In the course of the work performed in Annex III, frequently data was encountered without proper description of the used methods or procedures, or obtained with methods not allowing for easy comparison. The demand was felt for the development and standardisation of effective test-procedures for MCFC materials, cells and stacks.

In the second phase of the IEA Programme on Advanced Fuel Cells, the various Annexes were divided in fuel-cell-type oriented Annexes, concerning materials, cell, stack and Balance-of-Plant aspect, and Annexes regarding system aspects, applications, and user requirements. In this manner, Annex VI "MCFC under Real Operating Conditions" concentrated on the manufacturer's capabilities to improve MCFC technology, frequently communicating with Annex IX "Fuel Cell Systems for Stationary Applications" about the conditions set by applications and users.

The final meeting of Annex VI was held on April 15-16,1999 in Petten, and the Annex concluded at the end of 1999. The purpose of Annex VI activities had been accomplished and the final report was submitted and approved at the 19th ExCo Meeting.

During the period of Annex VI, several operation tests with large-scale stacks have been carried out: a 280kW system test by MTU, a 100kW system test by ENEL/Ansaldo, a 1,000kW system test by MCFCRA of Japan, a 250kW system test by M-C Power, etc. Encouraged by a series of successful tests, Annex XIV "MCFC towards demonstration" came into action in 2000. During its 3-year period, this Annex concentrated on further cooperative work to pursue demonstration of MCFC system, sharing technical information and experiences to support demonstration programs in each member country.

There have been many successful MCFC system demonstrations worldwide in various applications; nevertheless, several issues related to lifetime, system

optimization and cost reduction are yet to be solved for practical market entry. Annex XVII, scheduled to be active between 2004 and 2008, concentrates on solving technical and the economic issues by sharing information and experiences from RD&D programs of each participant country.

4.2.6.2 Activities

The first meeting was held on October 18-20, 2004 in Kawasaki, Japan hosted by NEDO. All participants except Italy attended the meeting. The activities for each Subtask were discussed at the meeting and agreed by the participants.

The objectives of the first meeting were as follows:

Subtask-A: Survey of alternative materials for cell components

Subtask-B: Sharing and discussion of operation data and problems with stack

and BOP

Subtask-C: Survey of system configuration and BOP components.

4.2.6.3 Technical Accomplishments

First meeting

Subtask A: Survey of alternative materials for cell components

In this subtask, participants made presentations on their efforts on finding alternative materials which would enable MCFC systems to have a longer lifetime at lower cost. The latest R&D data from each country's developers were provided and discussed. Presentations were as follows:

- A-1 Improvement of lifetime of MCFC by Y. Mugikura (CRIEPI)
- A-2 Bi-functional anode for MCFC by S.P. Yoon (KIST)
- A-3 Stack and new-material technology by M. Bischoff (MTU CFC Solutions)
 - A-4 Materials technology status for direct fuel cells by H. Maru (FCE)

Subtask B: Sharing and discussion of operation data and problems with stack and BOP

In this subtask, participants made presentations on their experiences in demonstration system operation, analysis of operating data and fuel options in particular. Presentations were as follows:

- B-1 Operating experience and fuels for MCFC by M. Bischoff (MTU CFC Solutions)
 - B-2 Direct fuel cell operating experience updating by H. Maru (FCE)

Subtask C: Survey of system configuration and BOP components

In this subtask, participants made presentations on stacks, BOP, systems and operational test experience. Presentations were as follows:

- C-1 100kW MCFC system preparation and short stack test results in Korea by H. Lim (KEPRI)
- C-2 Development of high performance module by M. Tooi (IHI)
- C-3 Compact system operation and high performance module in Kawagoe test station by F. Yoshiba (MCFCRA)
- C-4 System updating and optimization by M. Bischoff (MTU CFC Solutions)

Second meeting

Subtask A: Survey of alternative materials for cell components

In this subtask, participants made presentations on their efforts on finding alternative materials which would enable MCFC systems to have a longer lifetime at lower cost. The latest R&D data from each country's developers were provided and discussed. Presentations were as follows:

- A-1 Long-term operation test and acceleration test for nickel shorting by Y. Izaki (CRIEPI)
 - A-2 Volatilization of molten carbonate in MCFC by K. Tanimoto (AIST)
- A-3 Developments of new components in KIST by S. Yoon (KIST)
- A-4 Stack and new materials for long life, high performance and low cost by A. Moreno (ENEA)
- Subtask B: Sharing and discussion of operation data and problems with stack and BOP

In this subtask, participants made presentations on their experiences in demonstration system operation, analysis of operating data and fuel options in particular. Presentations were as follows:

- B-1 HotModule field test experience and various gas application by M. Bischoff (MTU CFC Solutions)
 - B-2 MCFC demonstration in EXPO 2005 Aichi, Japan by M. Tooi (IHI)
- B-3 Development of MCFC in Korea by J. Han (KIST)
- B-4 Development and demonstration of MCFC in AFCo by B. Marenaro (AFCo)
- B-5 Direct Fuel Cell: renewable fuel experience by M. Farooque (FCE)
 - Subtask C: Survey of system configuration and BOP components

In this subtask, participants made presentations on stacks, BOP, systems and operational test experience. Presentations were as follows:

- C-1 GenCell MCFC design highlight by M. Connors (GenCell)
- C-2 Development MCFC in Japan by M. Tooi (IHI)
- C-3 System updating and optimization by A. Moreno (ENEA)
- C-4 Cost reduction: media supply by M. Bischoff (MTU CFC Solutions)

4.2.7 Work Plan for Task XVII

It was agreed unanimously that Annex XVII would have a meeting once a year. The topics of the scheduled meetings are listed in following table.

Year	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Subtask A	Survey of alternative materials for cell components	Survey of long lifetime stack	Survey of high performance stack	Survey of low cost stack	Summary of cell and stack technology
Subtask B	Sharing and discussion of operation data, troubles in stack and BOP,	Sharing and discussion of countermeasu re for troubles	Discussion on characteristic s of fuels from various sources.	on of fuel	Summary of operating experiences and fuels for MCFC
Subtask C	Survey of system configuration and BOP components	Operation experiences of BOP	Possibility of more effective system in the future	Solution towards commercialis ation	Summary of BOP updating and optimisation

4.3 REPORT TASK XVIII SOLID OXIDE FUEL CELLS

4.3.1 Duration

January 2004 – December 2008.

4.3.2 Operating Agent

The overall Operating Agent of the Annex XVIII is Dr. S. C. Singhal, Pacific Northwest National Laboratory, Richland, WA, USA. The Overall Operating Agent is responsible for reporting to the Executive Committee.

There will be annual Interim Operating Agents responsible for the preparation, execution and documentation of the annual workshops, including the production and dissemination of the proceedings. The Interim Operating Agent for 2004 was Dr. S. C. Singhal, and the Interim Operating Agent for 2005 was Dr. Brian Borglum, Versa Power Systems, Calgary, Canada. The Interim Operating Agent for 2006 is Jari Kiviaho, VTT Processes, Finland.

4.3.3. Participants

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Forschungszentrum Jülich (Germany)

The New Energy and Industrial Technology Development Organisation, NEDO (Japan)

ECN (Netherlands)

Swedish National Energy Administration (Sweden)

Swiss Federal Office of Energy (Switzerland)

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US DOE (USA)

4.3.4. Objective

To organise a series of annual workshops, each to be organised by and in a different country. Each workshop will be organized over one or two days, with discussions on general progress and/or selected SOFC topics. Where possible, these workshops will be linked to other relevant conferences, in order to minimise travelling costs. The workshops should lead to open discussions relating to common problems and should have realizable and achievable aims.

4.3.5 Task Description

Representatives from 12 countries (see participants list) participated in the Annex XVIII Workshop on May 14, 2005 in Quebec City, Canada. The annual Interim Operating Agent "system" is working well and will be continued. Annex XVIII comprises a series of workshops, each organized by and in a different country. The provisional list of workshops is as follows:

Year	Interim Operating Agent (country/organization/representative)	Workshop in connection with:
2004	USA/PNNL/Subhash Singhal	2004 Fuel Cell Seminar, San Antonio, Texas, USA; November 1, 2004
2005	Canada/Versa Power Systems/Brian Borglum	SOFC IX, Quebec City; May 2005
2006	Finland /VTT/Jari Kiviaho	7th European SOFC Forum, Lucerne, Switzerland; July, 2006
2007	Japan / NEDO / tbd	SOFC X, Japan; Summer 2007
2008	Switzerland / tbd / tbd	8th European SOFC Forum, Lucerne, Switzerland; July 2008

4.3.6 Progress Summary

4.3.6.1 Overview

During the Annex XIII last workshop in Jülich, Germany in September 2003, a new annex on solid oxide fuel cells for the period 2004-2008 was discussed among the representatives present. The *modus operandi* for the Annex XIII, with an Interim Operating Agent alternating each year among participating countries, was found to be very successful and it was recommended that the Executive Committee adopt this modus for the new period. Also none of the participating countries was willing to fulfill this task for the whole duration of the new period. Later at the request of the Executive Committee, this modus was modified to have a permanent Overall Operating Agent (Dr. Subhash C. Singhal, Pacific Northwest National Laboratory, USA) for the whole duration of the Annex with Interim Operating Agents organizing annual workshops.

The aim of this new annex, Annex XVIII, is the continuation and intensification of the open information exchange to accelerate the development of SOFC towards commercialization. The mechanism proposed to reach this aim is via annual workshops, each year organized by an Interim Operating Agent, where representatives from the participating countries present the status of SOFC Research, Development and Demonstration in their respective countries, in addition to discussing a selected topic.

4.3.6.2 Administration in 2005

The Overall Operating Agent for 2005 prepared status reports on Annex XVIII for the ExCo meetings.

The Overall Operating Agent prepared a concept work plan for the new Annex XVIII on SOFC for the period from 2004 to 2008 and presented it at the ExCo meeting.

4.3.6.3 Activities in 2005

Preparations were made for the 2005 Workshop which was held on May 14, 2005 in Quebec City, Canada. The workshop was attended by twenty six representatives of twelve of the participating countries; Australia, Canada, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Japan, the Netherlands, Sweden, Switzerland, UK and the USA. They either presented the status of SOFC R, D&D in their respective country or gave a technical presentation.

4.3.6.4 Technical Accomplishments in 2005

During the workshop, 14 presentations were made by experts from participating countries dealing with SOFC research, development and demonstration. The presentations showed that in the recent years a real progress has been made toward manufacturing and commercialization of SOFCs.

4.3.6.5 Future Plans

The Workshop for 2006 will be held in Helsinki, Finland and will be organized and chaired by Dr. Jari Kiviaho, VTT Processes, Finland. This Workshop is being held just before the Seventh European SOFC Forum in Lucerne, Switzerland to minimize travel expenses. Each expert will speak on a selected SOFC topic and a discussion will be held to explore avenues for collaboration among the Annex members.

4.3.6.6 Conclusion

The system of an Overall Operating Agent and annual Interim Operating Agents and the organisation by these Interim Operating Agents of workshops linked to other large, international SOFC conferences has so far turned out to be a successful concept. The openness of discussions, the open exchange of technical know-how and the intimate atmosphere of such workshops, are highly appreciated by the participants of the workshops.

The Executive Committee is invited to note the satisfactory progress achieved and to endorse the future plans presented.

4.4 REPORT TASK XIX FUEL CELL SYSTEMS FOR STATIONARY APPLICATIONS

4.4.1 Duration

The Annex entered into force in 1 May 2004 and shall remain in force until 31 December 2008.

4.4.2 Operating Agent

The Swedish National Energy Administration acting through E.ON Sverige AB, Sweden.

4.4.3 Participants

The Contracting Parties, which are the Participants in the Task are:

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Ente per le Nuove Tecnologie, l'Energia e l'Ambiente, ENEA (Italy)

The New Energy and Industrial Technology Development Organisation, NEDO (Japan)

The Swedish National Energy Administration(Sweden)

Energinet.dk, (Denmark)

Vlaamse Instelling voor Technologisch Onderzoek, VITO. (Belgium)

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Ceramic Fuel Cells Ltd (Australia)

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United States of America Department of Energy (USA) Swiss Federal Office of Energy (Switzerland) Technical Research Centre of Finland, VTT (Finland) Austrian Energy Agency (Austria)

A full list of participating experts is provided in appendix 7 to this report.

4.4.4 Objective

The main objective of the work in Annex XIX is to receive a better understanding the possibilities for all kinds of stationary fuel cells to reach the market. The vision of the Annex is:

"Among experts from leading regions in the world create and define a wise and efficient way to deploy stationary fuel cells on the market"

All fuel cell technologies under development suitable for stationary fuel cells and sizes will be considered for the analysis in Annex XIX.

4.4.5 Task Description

The work in the Annex will focus on the following objectives:

- to describe the market conditions from all aspects for stationary fuel cells and to analyse the present situation.
- to identify the commercial niche applications for the early introduction of stationary fuel cells and the market applications for the broad use of stationary fuel cells.
- to analyse opportunities and obstacles for stationary fuel cells to reach the market

The Task has been fulfilled by work undertaken in five different sub-tasks. The sub-tasks are described more in detail below. It has been important for the success of the Task that all participants have been active in (all) the different sub-tasks.

Subtask I Market outlook for stationary fuel cells

The work in this task shall be to identify potential customers and different business concepts for stationary fuel cells. A SWOT-analysis will be performed (Strength Weaknesses Opportunities and Threats).

A part of the subtask will be to collect and analyse the latest available information regarding the development of and the market conditions for stationary fuel cells. Information will be collected from the participating countries through questionnaires and discussion during experts meetings.

Subtask II The effect of a large number of fuel cells connected to the power grid

What will be effect on the existing infrastructure if a large number of stationary fuel cells are connected to the local power distribution grid? In the subtask, the influence on several aspects will be analysed, including the electrical grid, fuel distribution, codes and standards, safety issues, economic considerations etc. Different alternatives for the control of the operation of the fuel cells will be discussed.

Subtask III Fuels for stationary fuel cells

There are several different kinds of fuels that can be used in stationary fuel cells. Natural gas is the most common fuel to choose depending on the existing infrastructure. Hydrogen is also an obvious choice for future use as it can be produced locally in many different ways including the use of renewable energy. There are many other fuels existing today, for example, waste gas can be used in stationary high temperature fuel cells. That can be gases from chemical industry plant like purge gas, synthesis gas or other process gases. It can also be gasification of biomass or sewage gas etc. The subtask will investigate and describe the availability of different gases and the possibilities and consequences to use them as fuels for stationary fuel cells.

Subtask IV Balance of plant for stationary fuel cells

Today, the balance of plant represents about two thirds of the cost for a complete fuel cells system. Most of failures in demonstration plants for stationary fuel cells are related to the balance of plant. System auxiliary components are in general selected from existing suppliers standard components. It is difficult for the suppliers to develop components designed for fuel cells, as the market for the foreseeable future is very limited. The effort of this subtask will be to interest the suppliers for larger markets and analyse the consequences for the balance of plant in a large fuel cell market. Some components to be mentioned are equipment for desulphurisation, reformers, and inverters

Subtask V Market and technology status for stationary fuel cells

The work in this subtask will be to collect and present the information regarding the development of the technology and the market conditions for stationary fuel cells. Information will be collected from the participating countries.

4.4.6 Task Results

The work in Annex XIX has recently started and there are not yet any major results published.

It can be mentioned that as the stationary fuel cells now are being developed at a faster pace it is a very important issue to prepare and understand the market. Some examples of critical issues have been found

- The possibilities to use alternative and sustainable fuels can be one important driver for high temperature fuel cells
- Codes and standards must be ready before a major market introduction
- A standardisation of balance of plant components could be an important factor to speed up the commercialisation of fuel cells
- It is important to find early adopters of niche applications

4.4.7 Work Plan for Year 2006

The work in the five subtasks will continue and draft subtask reports will be produced.

The three questionnaires on fuels for fuel cells, market issues and the issues regarding implementation of a large number of fuel cells into the power grid will be given priority during the year.

Two experts meetings will be organised during the year 2006.

4.5 REPORT TASK XX FUEL CELL SYSTEMS FOR TRANSPORTATION

No annual report has been prepared for Task XX. Readers are referred to the 2004 Annual Report, available from www.ieafuelcell.com, for an overview of this Annex

4.6 REPORT TASK XXI PORTABLE FUEL CELLS

4.6.1 Duration

This Annex entered into force on April 1, 2004. The kick-off meeting was held on July 5-6, 2004 at Forschungszentrum Jülich GmbH, Germany.

4.6.2 Operating Agent

Forschungszentrum Jülich GmbH, Germany

4.6.3 Participants

Agencies from nine countries participate in this Annex:

Austria: Energieverwertungsagentur
Canada: The Government of Canada
Denmark: Risø National Laboratory

Finland: VTT Technical Research Center of Finland

Germany: Forschungszentrum-Jülich GmbH

Italy: Ente per le Nuove Tecnologie, l'Energia e l'Ambiente, ENEA

Korea: Korea Institute of Science and Technology Mexico: Electrical Research Institute (observer)

Netherlands: Netherlands Energy Research Foundation (ECN)

A full list of participating experts is provided in Appendix 7 to this report.

4.6.4 Objective

The main objective of this application oriented task is to assist - through international cooperation - the development of portable fuel cells towards commercialisation through:

- the exchange of information to tackle complex problems in stack and systems design and operation;
- the consideration of end-user requirements on portable fuel cell operation with the goal to minimize size and costs of cells and systems; the study of alternative materials in case traditional concepts are too expensive or are too short-lived.

4.6.5 Task Description

This Task consists of three subtasks:

Subtask 1. System Analysis for Portable Fuel Cells

Tackle complex problems in stack and systems by modelling of mass and energy flows.

Performing system analysis for portable applications, e.g. analysis of energy demand of the auxiliary components, water- and heat management, etc. Collect information about rules and regulations concerning the operation and e.g. the storage and the transport of portable fuel cells. Regarding safety aspects as refilling, transport, etc

Subtask 2. System, Stack and Cell Development for Portable Fuel Cells
Test of operation concepts for portable systems, e.g. cold start concepts,
dynamic load following, etc. Evaluation of design goals for portable systems, e.g.
comparison with existing techniques as Li-lon accumulators or batteries, deriving
of specifications for stacks and systems. Evaluating fuel storage concepts
suitable for the specific demands of portable applications. Design of systems for
portable applications, e.g. DMFC systems with a liquid anode feed or microreformer systems with small PEFC systems. Design of stacks for portable
applications, e.g. small and suitable for mass production.

<u>Subtask 3. Materials under Operating Conditions / Materials Innovation</u>
Stack and system testing with regard to the power output, the efficiency and lifetime. Cost aspects, e.g. use of cheap and easy to manufacture materials.

4.6.6 Progress Summary

4.6.6.1 Background

The annex entered into force on April 1, 2004. As the market for portable applications is expected to be the first market for fuel cells this new annex should bundle the forces and concentrate on the specific research demands and technical conditions for portable fuel cells.

4.6.6.2 Activities

The kick-off meeting was held on July 5-6, 2004 at Forschungszentrum Jülich GmbH, Germany. The annual status meeting 2005 was held on May 30-31 at ITAE in Messina, Italy.

4.6.6.3 Technical Accomplishments

System Analysis for Portable Fuel Cells

- Studies concerning operating conditions for steam reforming reactors based on Pd/ZnO catalysts were carried out. Catalytic activity, CO selectivity and different flow rates were investigated (Austria).
- A portable DMFC system in the kW class was presented. Cooling of the stack is
 effected by evaporation of water in the cathode side of the cell, i.e. there is no
 heat exchanger in the anode loop. The methanol supply rate depends on the
 current. At nominal power of 1.3 kW an additional amount of 25% of methanol is
 fed to the anode loop (Germany).
- Investigation NaBH₄ as an energy carrier for small portable systems. The
 estimated energy density is 720 Wh/kg. A first prototype of a NaBH₄ tank for
 wireless phones has been shown. The DMFC is a promising system for mobile
 phones in terms of long-time operation. A 50ml tank of methanol provides as
 much energy for 30days stand by or 15 h talking (Italy).
- An important topic to be solved before introducing methanol into the market are safety tests for system and stack components such as cartridge tests, vibration tests, drop tests, etc. National and international rules and regulations were presented (Japan).

System, Stack and Cell Development for Portable Fuel Cells

• A new 5 cell H₂-PEM with an active area of 25cm² and a power output of 75W was presented. The cell is water-cooled.

Furthermore, micro-structured methanol steam reactors were presented. New catalyst plates based on Pd/ZnO were developed (Austria).

- Development of a 1kW PEFC stack and of an alkaline fuel cell. The alkaline fuel cell has an output voltage of 14.4 V. It is based on a tubular design with internal hydrogen storage (Finland).
- A new approach for controlling stacks was presented. The main idea is to insert into a stack means to determine the current density distribution. This distribution is used as an input signal of a controller. For example, a too low a cathodic air flow will be detected by a drop of the current density in the end region of the cell. Therefore, the system can be better controlled (Germany)
- A portable DMFC system with a net power of 1 kW was presented. The nominal power of the stack is 1.3 kW. It consists of 100 cells with a cell area of 310 cm² each. The pressure loss is 2 mbar which is low enough to use a fan instead of a compressor for the air side (Germany).
- The newly developed PEFC stack consists of 10-20 cells with a cell area of 25 cm² each. The rated power is 15-30 W and the peak power 25-50 W. With regard to DMFC a new concept has been realized based on a planar design with series electrical connection and parallel reagent feed (Italy).
- An essential piece of information in DMFC systems is the methanol permeation rate. A CO₂ detector was developed to calculate the methanol permeation rate from the CO₂ concentration of the exhaust gas assuming that most of the methanol reaching the cathode is immediately oxidized. The crossover was investigated in detail. It was found that in addition more organic compounds were found in the cathode exhaust gas. The permeation based on the CO₂ is 28 mA/cm². Additional molecules such as HCHO, HCOOH and CH₃CHO contribute with additional 1.5 mA/cm² (Italy).

Materials under Operating Conditions / Materials Innovation

- New lignin-based PSf-membranes were presented. Their advantages in comparison to Nafion are cost and environmental advantages as they do not require Fluor (Austria).
- Various new membranes for DMFC were investigated in terms of cross-over and performance. The performance of the CDS10 from Solvay is superior to that of Nafion (for details see talks). The optimum performance in Nafion-based MEAs depends on the Nafion content. An optimum Nafion content was found to be 25mg/cm² in MEAs with Nafion 117 with a Pt-loading of 5mg/cm². Maximum power densities of 87 W/cm² at 60°C and 100mA/cm² at 0.5V have been achieved (Italy).

4.6.7 Work Plan for Next Year

The work will be continued in the above mentioned subtasks.

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Appendix 2 Executive Committee Meetings to Date

1st meeting 2nd 3rd 4th 5th 6th 7th 8th	April 2, 1990, Paris, France. November 25, 1990, Phoenix, Arizona, USA. June 27-28, 1991, Petten, The Netherlands February 7, 1992, Makuhari, Japan September 24-25, 1992, Malmo, Sweden March 15, 1993, Rome, Italy September 28, 1993, London, United Kingdom March 15, 1994, Zürich, Switzerland.
9th 10th	October 11, 1994, Jülich, Germany May 11-12, 1995, Oslo, Norway
11th	September 18th, 1995, Loughborough, United Kingdom
12th	February 1-2, 1996, Tokyo, Japan
13th	September 17-18, 1996, Roskilde, Denmark
14th	April 15-16, 1997, Vancouver, Canada
15th	September 18-19, 1997, Amsterdam, The Netherlands
16th	March 19-20, 1998, Santa Fe, USA
17th	October 1-2, 1998, Melbourne, Australia
18th	April 13-14, 1999, Jülich, Germany
19th	September 20-21, 1999, London, UK
20th	April 10-11, 2000, Malmö, Sweden
21st	November 4, 2000, Portland, Oregon, USA
22 nd	May 3-4, 2001, Capri, Italy
23 rd	September 5-6, 2001, Basel, Switzerland
24 th	May 30-31, 2002, Paris, France
25 th	November 22-23, 2002, Palm Springs, California, USA
26 th	May 8, Espoo, Helsinki, Finland
27 th	October 23-24, 2003, Dusseldorf, Germany
28 th	April 1-2, 2004, Vienna, Austria
29 th	October 13-14, 2004, Seoul, Korea
30 th	April 28-29, 2005, Copenhagen, Denmark
31 st	November 18, 2005, Palm Springs, California, USA

Appendix 3 <u>Task Proposals Under Consideration</u>

There are currently no task proposals under consideration as the six new Annexes were approved in 2004 and comprise three technology-specific annexes on PEFC, SOFC and MCFC, and three application-specific annexes on stationary, transportation and portable applications.

Appendix 4 Executive Committee Reports and Publications

The following reports have been issued:

- Minutes of 31 Executive Committee Meetings since initiation (1990).
- Annual Reports 1990-2005.

- Contribution on the Advanced Fuel Cells Implementing Agreement for the 2003/2004 Implementing Agreement Highlights IEA publication (2005)
- Contribution on the Advanced Fuel Cells Implementing Agreement for the EUWP Autumn Status Report on Transport related Implementing Agreements (2005)
- Strategy and Procedural Guidelines for the IEA Advanced Fuel Cells Programme, Utrecht, The Netherlands (1992).
- Revised Procedural Guidelines for the IEA Advanced Fuel Cells Programme (1998)
- Updated Implementing Agreement (1998).
- Strategy for the IEA Advanced Fuel Cells Programme 1999-2003 (1998).
- "International Co-operation of Fuel Cell R&D via the International Agency", K Joon, H Barten, paper presented at the 1994 Fuel Cell Seminar, San Diego, USA.
- "The IEA Advanced Fuel Cells Programme", K Joon, invited paper presented at the 2nd International Fuel Cell Conference, Kobe, Japan, February 1996.
- End of Term Reports to the IEA in September 1995, September 1998 and October 2003.
- "Progress in Fuel Cell Development through Co-operation in the Framework of the International Energy Agency", K Joon, L Sjunnesson, invited paper presented at the 3rd International Fuel Cell Conference, Nagoya, Japan, December 1999.
- Summary Final Report of the IEA Advanced Fuel Cells Programme 1996-1999.

In addition, verbal presentations have been given by the Chairman and Secretary to the IEA Working Party on End Use Technologies, the Committee on Energy Research and Technology, the Working Party on Fossil Fuels and the IEA Hydrogen Executive Committee.

Appendix 5 Workshops and Task Meetings

This section lists meetings and workshops held to date and planned for 2006, for those tasks that were active during the year.

5.1 Task XVI: Polymer Electrolyte Fuel Cells

5.1.1 Workshops and Meetings Held to Date

Annex XVI Working Group, June 1-2, 2005, VITO-Energy Technology, Mol, Belgium

Annex XVI Working Group, November 30-December 1, 2005, Loughborough, United Kingdom

5.1.2 Workshops and Meetings Planned for Next Year

Annex XVI Working Group, June 8-9, 2006, ECN-Fuel Cell Technology, Petten, The Netherlands

Annex XVI Working Group, November/December, 2006, specific dates and venue yet to be determined

5.2 Task XVII: Molten Carbonate Fuel Cells

5.2.1 Workshops and Meetings Held to Date

The first meeting was held on October 18-20, 2004 in Kawasaki, Japan hosted by NEDO.

The second meeting was held on November 12-13 in Palm Springs, U.S.A. hosted by FCE.

5.2.2 Workshops and Meetings Planned for Next Year

The third meeting of Annex XVII is scheduled to be held in Italy in September 2006 hosted by ENEA.

5.3 Task XVIII: Solid Oxide Fuel Cells

5.3.1 Workshops and Meetings Held to Date

The first Workshop of Annex XVIII was held on November 1, 2004 in San Antonio, Texas, USA. The workshop was attended by twenty representatives of ten of the participating countries; Australia, Canada, Finland, France, Germany, Japan, the Netherlands, Sweden, Switzerland and the USA. They all presented the status of SOFC R, D&D in their respective country. Not able to attend the workshop was any representative from the United Kingdom. During the workshop, 13 presentations were made by experts from participating countries. The presentations showed that in the recent years, a real progress has been made toward the commercialization of SOFCs.

The second Workshop was held in Quebec City, Canada on May 14, 2005 and it was organized and chaired by Dr. Brian Borglum, Versa Power Systems, Calgary, Canada. This Workshop was held just before the Ninth International Symposium on Solid Oxide Fuel Cells (SOFC-IX) in Quebec City to minimize travel expenses. Also, this Workshop was held in conjunction with IPHE SOFC. Each expert spoke on a selected SOFC topic and a discussion was held to explore avenues for collaboration among the Annex members.

5.3.2 Workshops and Meetings Planned for Next Year

The Workshop for 2006 will be held in Helsinki City, Finland, on Friday, June 30 and will be organized and chaired by Dr. Jari Kiviaho, VTT Processes, Finland. This Workshop is being held just before the Seventh European SOFC Forum, July 3-7, 2006, in Lucerne Switzerland. For this meeting, each member country's representative is being asked to present a technical presentation in the area of advanced SOFC systems or another technical topic.

5.4 Task XIX: Fuel Cell Systems for Stationary Applications

5.4.1 Workshops and Meetings Held to Date

First meeting in Annex XIX, April 29 – 30, 2004, Rome, Italy hosted by ENEA

Second experts' meeting November 1, 2004, San Antonio, Texas, USA hosted by DOE

Third experts' meeting April 4-5, 2005, Petten, The Netherlands hosted by ECN

Fourth experts' meeting November 14, 2005, Palm Springs, California, USA hosted by DOE

Two members from Annex XIX have participated in a workshop.

5.4.2 Workshops and Meetings Planned for Next Year

The fifth experts meeting is planned to take place April 4-5, 2006 in Linz, Austria and will be hosted by Energie AG Oberösterreich

A sixth experts meeting is planned to take place in the autumn of 2006, date and venue is not yet decided.

5.5 Task XX: Fuel Cells for Transportation

5.5.1 Workshops and Meetings Held to Date

The Annex XX working group met in Stuttgart, Germany for a one day Kick-Off Meeting on 28 September 2004.

5.5.2 Workshops and Meetings Planned for Next Year

No information available.

5.6 Task XXI: Portable Fuel Cells

5.6.1 Workshops and Meetings Held to Date

July 5-6, 2004, Juelich, Germany, kick-off meeting, hosted by Juelich Research Center.

May 30-31, 2005, Juelich, Germany, annual meeting, hosted by ITAE, Messina, Italy.

5.6.2 Workshops and Meetings Planned for Next Year

One status meeting is planned for 2006.

Appendix 6 Task Reports and Publications

This section lists task reports and publications produced to date for those tasks which were active during the year. These publications are classified according to the following system.

Leve I	Classification	Report Type	Distribution
1a	Restricted - sub- task participants only	Working papers	Distribution limited to those experts participating in the specific subtask.
1b	Restricted - annex participants only	Sub-task reports, detailed technical reports	Distribution limited to those experts participating in the annex.
2a	Restricted - annex participants and Ex Co members only	Summary technical reports	As above + Ex Co members from countries participating in annex for personal reference and approvals.
2b	Restricted - countries participating in annex only	Summary technical reports, summary final reports	As above + Ex Co members from countries participating in annex may distribute report to organisations in that country not participating in the annex
2c	Restricted - IA signatory countries only	Summary final reports	Distribution to any organisation in a country participating in the IA
3a	Unrestricted within IEA	Annual reports; summary final reports	Open distribution to all countries in IEA.
3b	Unrestricted	Annual reports; summary final reports	Open distribution including countries not in IEA. To publicise and inform about IEA programme.

Some of the reports are classified according to an earlier system which only used three levels:

Level 1: Experts participating in relevant Sub-task only.

Level 2: Participating Countries and all Executive Committee Members.

Level 3: Unrestricted.

6.1 Task XVI: Polymer Electrolyte Fuel Cells

6.1.1 Reports, Papers and Abstracts Published to Date (level 3b)

- J. R. Varcoe, R. C. T. Slade, "Prospects for alkaline anion-exchange membranes in low temperature fuel cells", Fuel Cells, 5, 187-200 (2005).
- J. R. Varcoe, R. C. T. Slade, "Investigations of conductivity in FEP-based radiation-grafted alkaline anion-exchange membranes", Solid State Ionics, 176, 585-597 (2005).

- H. Cheng, K. Scott and G. Vlachogiannopoulos, "Selection of anode materials for direct borohydride fuel cells", the Proceeding of World Renewable Energy Congress, Aberdeen, UK, May 2005.
- K. Scott, W. Yuan and H. Cheng, "Cathodes for mixed reactant fuel cells", the Proceeding of World Renewable Energy Congress, Aberdeen, UK, May 2005.
- K. Scott, W. Yuan and H. Cheng, "Methanol tolerant cathode materials", the Proceeding of 3rd European Polymer Electrolyte Fuel Cell Forum, Lucerne, Switzerland, July 2005.
- N. P. Lebedeva and G. J. M. Janssen, "On the preparation and stability of bimetallic PtMo/C anodes for proton-exchange membrane fuel cells", Electrochim.Acta, 51, 29-40 (2005).
- D. Ionescu, M. de Heer, G. Janssen, and A. Wakker, "Development of High Temperature Proton- Conducting Polymers at ECN", in Proceedings of the 3rd European PEFC Forum, Lucerne, Switzerland, U. Bossel, Ed., P118, European Fuel Cell Forum, Oberrohrdoerf, Switzerland (2005).
- D. Myers, X. Wang, and R. Kumar, "Polymer Electrolyte Fuel Cell Cathode Catalysts", poster and extended abstract, 2005 Fuel Cell Seminar, Palm Springs, California, United States.
- B.E. Hayden, M.E. Rendall, and O. South, "The stability and electro-oxidation of carbon monoxide on model electrocatalysts: Pt(111)-Sn(2 x 2) and Pt(111)-Sn($\sqrt{3}$ x $\sqrt{3}$)R30°", JOURNAL OF MOLECULAR CATALYSIS A-CHEMICAL 228 (1-2): 55-65 Sp. Iss. SI, MAR 16 2005.
- P. Rama, R. Chen, and R. Thring, "A polymer electrolyte membrane fuel cell model with multi-species input", PROCEEDINGS OF THE INSTITUTION OF MECHANICAL ENGINEERS PART A-JOURNAL OF POWER AND ENERGY 219 (A4): 255-271 JUN 2005.
- M.B.V. Virji and R. Thring, "Analysis of a 50 kWe indirect methanol proton exchange membrane fuel cell (PEMFC) system for transportation application", PROCEEDINGS OF THE INSTITUTION OF MECHANICAL ENGINEERS PART D-JOURNAL OF AUTOMOBILE ENGINEERING 219 (D8): 937-950 AUG 2005.
- T. Schaffer, V. Hacker, T. Hejze, T. Tschinder, J.O. Besenhard, P. Prenninger, "Introduction of an improved gas chromatographic analysis and comparison of methods to determine methanol crossover in DMFCs", JOURNAL OF POWER SOURCES 145 (2): 188-198 Sp. Iss. SI, AUG 18 2005.

Reports (Level 2b)

- Summary Report on Annex XVI Workshop, June 1-2, 2005, VITO-Energy Technology, Mol, Belgium
- Status Report on Annex XVI: Collaborative Research on Polymer Electrolyte Fuel Cells, Spring, 2005
- Status Report on Annex XVI: Collaborative Research on Polymer Electrolyte Fuel Cells, Fall, 2005

6.1.2 Reports Planned for Next Year

Meeting, Status, and Annual Reports for the Polymer Electrolyte Fuel Cell Task, Level 2.

6.4 Task XVII: Molten Carbonate Fuel Cells

6.4.1 Reports Published to Date

Meeting, Status and Annual Reports for Task XIV.

The first meeting was held on October 18-20,2004 in Kawasaki, Japan hosted by NEDO.

The annual report of Annex XVII was published in January 2005.

The second meeting was held on November 12-13 in Palm Springs, U.S.A. hosted by FCE.

6.4.2 Reports Planned for Next Year

Meeting, Status and Annual Reports for Annex XIV.

The third meeting is scheduled to be held in September 2006 in Italy hosted by ENEA.

6.3 Task XVIII: Solid Oxide Fuel Cells

6.3.1 Reports Published to Date

 Proceedings of the Workshop in Quebec City, Canada on May 14, 2005, by Brian Borglum (Editor), May 2005.

6.3.2 Reports Planned for Next Year

- Meeting, Status, and Annual Reports for the Solid Oxide Fuel Cells Annex XVIII.
- Proceedings of the Workshop in Helsinki, Finland by Jari Kiviaho (Editor), May 2005.

6.2 Task XIX: Fuel Cell Systems for Stationary Applications

6.2.1 Reports Published to Date

- Meeting, Status and Annual Reports for Annex XIX.
- Final reports from Annex XII stationary fuel cells
 - The official summary report is published
 - A full version final report has been distributed to all members of Annex XII including all subtask reports and as selection of special reports

6.2.2 Reports Planned for Next Year, Annex XIX

- Meeting, status and Annual reports
- Draft reports from subtasks

6.5 Task XX: Fuel Cell Systems for Transportation

No information available

6.6 Task XXI: Portable Fuel Cells

- 6.6.1 Reports Published to Date
 - Annual report of Annex XXI: Portable Fuel Cells, Dec 14, 2004.
- 6.6.2 Reports Planned for Next Year
 - Status and Annual Reports for Annex XXI

Appendix 7 Task Experts

This section lists the Operating Agents and the other experts who have participated in those tasks that were active during the year. Each organisation is categorised as government or government agency (G), research institution (R), industry (I) or academic (A).

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R = research institution, A = academic institution, G = government

7.4 Task XVII: Molten Carbonate Fuel Cells

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8	K. Tanimoto	AIST(R)	"
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11	Sung-Pil Yoon	11	"
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13	Joong Hwan Jun	RIST (I)	"
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7.3 Task XVIII: Solid Oxide Fuel Cells

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7.5 Task XX: Fuel Cell Systems for Transportation

Operating Agent: Prof Dr. Georg Erdmann

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7.5 Task XXI: Portable Fuel Cells

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7	Holger Janssen	Forschungszentrum Jülich	Germany
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