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The NEST Foundation designs and coordinates projects in nine specialized spokes, each dedicated to a specific area of sustainable energy transition.

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OUR TOPIC AND SPOKES

- Solar CST CSV PT
- Energy harvesting and offshore renewable energy
- Bioenergy and new biofuels for a sustainable future
- Clean hydrogen and its final uses
- Energy conversion
- Energy storage
- Smart sector integration
- Optimization, sustainability and resilience in the energy supply chain
- Energy-sustainable advanced materials





SPOKES' SCIENTIFIC COORDINATORS AND EXPERTISES

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AND PARTNERS

AMONG THE RESEARCH CENTERS:









AMONG THE INDUSTRIAL PARTNERS:





















1.Solar CST CSV PT

- Optical/electrical simulations of solar cells and modules
- Development of selective layers, TCOs, anti-reflective coatings
- Advanced semi-transparent PV for combined light use (PV + photosynthesis)
- Tandem solar cells: perovskite films, tunneling junctions, degradation control
- Mini-module design, large-area metallization, performance stability
- Semi-transparent & flexible PV laminates for integrated applications (IPV)
- Colored PV modeling and functional spectral-shifting coatings
- Mass customization of IPV through product integration prototypes
- CSP/CST integration in industrial & civil energy systems
- Hybrid solar heat systems with new fluids and thermal storage materials

- High-temp ceramic solar absorbers & supercritical power cycles
- Advanced power electronics for grid integration
- IoT-enabled PV modules for O&M optimization
- Energy storage (thermal + electric) impact on grid performance
- AI/ML for energy forecasting, diagnostics & fault prediction
- Lifecycle assessment (LCA) and cost analysis for PV & CSP/CST
- Eco-design of PV and CSP/CST manufacturing equipment
- Dissemination to stakeholders & scientific community
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2. Energy harvesting & Offshore renewable

- Development of innovative floating platforms for offshore wind energy
- Development of new wave energy converters
- Numerical modeling to optimize marine energy
- Development of a Digital Twin for predictive management of offshore plants
- Development of energy harvesting technologies from vibrations and heat
- Global mapping for marine energy planning
- Integration of low-temperature geothermal energy for heating and thermal storage
- Development of energy harvesting systems from electromagnetic waves (Spintronics)
- Advanced modeling and monitoring of geothermal resources
- Development of mini-turbines for energy recovery in water pipeline.



3.Bioenergy & New biofuels for sustainable future

Biomass Feedstock Conversion

Development of new thermochemical, catalytic, and biochemical processes and systems to convert various biomass feedstocks into useful energy, advanced biofuels, and value-added products.

Carbon Capture, Utilization, and Storage (CCUS)

Development of innovative technologies for carbon capture, utilization, and storage to enhance the sustainability of both thermochemical and biological conversion processes.

Sustainable Biorefinery

Assessment of innovative sustainable biorefinery pathways that utilize waste streams from the bioenergy and biofuel production chain.





4.Clean hydrogen and final uses

- Development of innovative materials and functional components for Fuel Cell and Hydrogen (FCH) technologies for power generation and electrolysis
- Development of efficient processes for H₂ production through thermochemical, electrochemical, and emerging pathways
- Development of technologies for H₂ storage and distribution, including carriers such as ammonia and LOHCs
- Integration of H₂ with renewable energy and across sectors, promoting the use of FCH in energy communities, sustainable mobility, industrial decarbonization, and residential CHP systems
- Regulatory analysis, safety assessment, and risk evaluation for hydrogen technologies





5. Energy conversion

- Study of innovative electrical energy conversion systems and connected storage solutions
- Development of innovative fluids for heat pump applications
- Development of technologies for hydrogen storage and distribution, including the use of carriers such as ammonia and LOHCs
- New fluids and processes to improve energy conversion efficiency
- Use of artificial intelligence and big data analytics to optimize and control the conversion process





6.Energy storage

- Innovative short- and long-term thermal storage systems based on sensible heat (geothermal), latent heat (advanced PCM), and thermochemical processes
- Innovative mechanical storage systems using water, compressed air, and kinetic energy
- Advanced research on the performance of chemical and electrochemical storage systems, with a focus on next-generation batteries
- Advanced integration into energy systems and networks, including comprehensive cost-benefit analysis





7.Smart sector integration

- Development of multiscale simulation models and digital twins for integrated energy systems in multisectoral and multivector contexts.
- Development of HW/SW technologies and solutions for energy storage and exchange of energy flows/stocks in multisectoral and multivector contexts.
- Development of platforms and digital enablers for sector coupling, smart energy integration, industrial symbiosis, and public engagement.
- Analysis of economic, environmental, social, and legal-regulatory constraints to sustainable energy integration.





8. Optimization, sustainability & resilience in energy supply chain

- General aspects and applications of electromagnetic compatibility, reliability, qualification, and diagnostics of components in intelligent innovations as a whole.
- Market models and business cases to promote efficiency and electrification in end-use applications and their involvement as flexibility service providers.
- Bio-based and high-performance technologies for environmental impact control and greenhouse gas reduction, including the development of energy-efficient HVAC components and systems
- Creating models for optimizing energy use from renewable sources and improving indoor air quality, along with decision-making tools for integrating energy systems in buildings and transportation.
- Innovative schemes for energy distribution with holistic approaches.
- Methodologies, models, and software to enhance resilience against natural and anthropic risks and long-term sustainability.
- Dedicated tools and technologies that promote the use of data intelligence and artificial intelligence for active involvement of end users.



9. Energy-sustainable advanced materials

- Development of materials with controlled and optimized composition, structure, and morphology to enhance functional properties and stability;
- green synthesis protocols;
- advanced characterization techniques, including in-operando testing;
- and advanced computational and modeling methods.





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