



**ETSAP**  
ENERGY TECHNOLOGY SYSTEMS  
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# **ETSAP ETechDS**

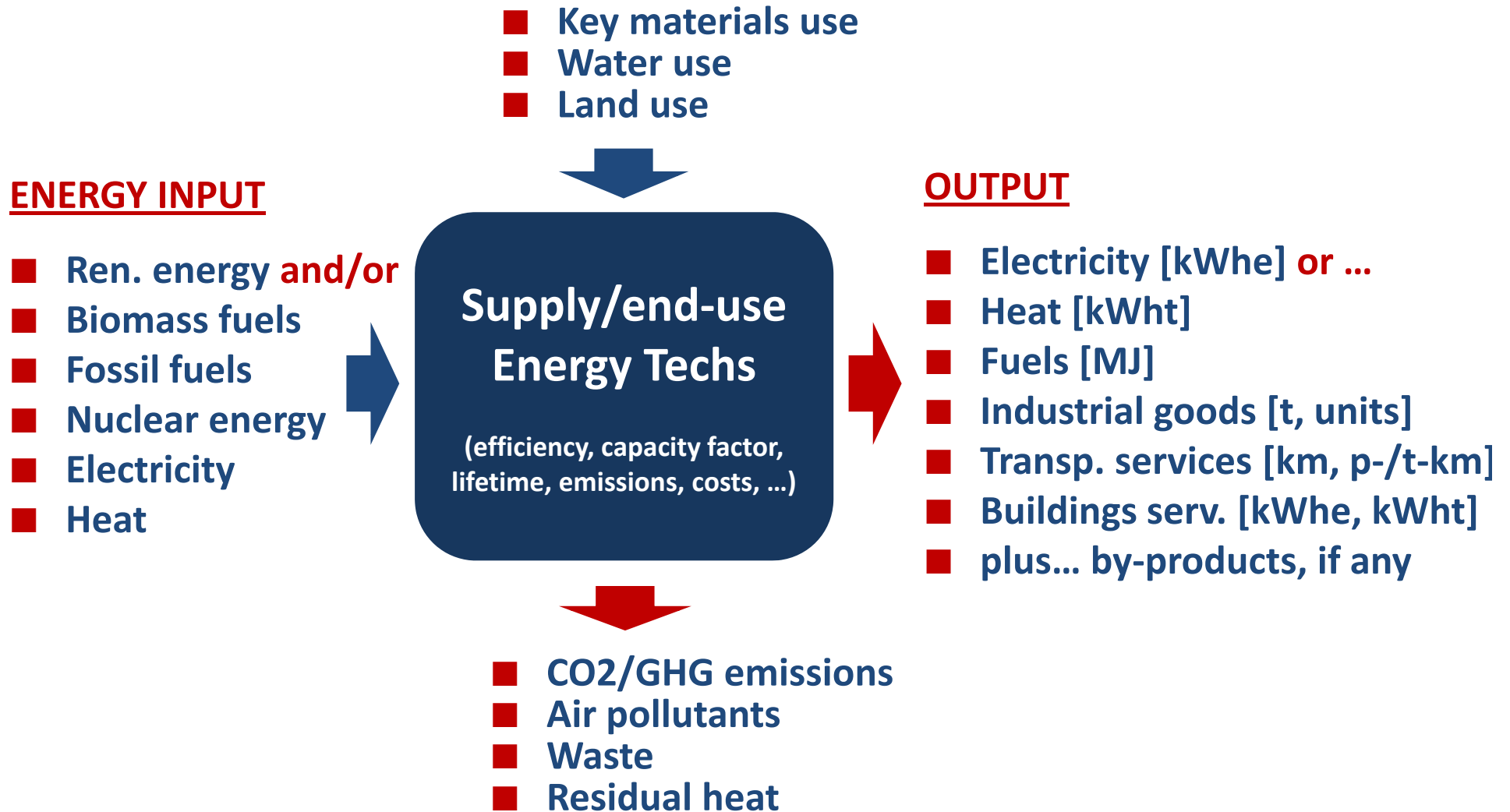
## **Data Normalisation Project**

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- Homogenise and update technical-economic data on energy supply & end-use technologies in the ETSAP Energy Technology Data Source (ETechDS);
- Build a transparent database on costs and performance aimed to technology comparison, projections and scenario analysis;
- Provide TIMES users with a tool to input a consistent set of energy technology data into their own models;
- **Target Users:** not only TIMES users, but also energy analysts, investors, policymakers ...

- Normalize (i.e. homogenize to a common basis) the key parameters that characterise technical and economic performance of energy technologies (e.g. efficiency, capacity factor, lifetime, emissions, costs, interest rate, discounting, etc.);
- Review the well-known *levelized electricity cost*, (LEC) method to apply, with appropriate amendments, to all supply and end-use energy technologies (i.e. energy conversion, transport, industry, buildings).



# Homogenisation of Key Parameters

Key Parameters	Energy Sectors			
	Energy Conv.	Transport	Industry	Residential
Net energy efficiency (output/unit of energy in)	kWh/MJ in, MJout /MJ in	km/MJ, p/t-km/MJ	t/MJ, unit/MJ, goods/MJ	kWhe/MJ, kWht/MJ
Gross energy intensity (energy in/unit of output)	1/energy efficiency			
Emission coeff. of energy input	gCO2/MJ in, if any			
Emission coeff. of tech process	gCO2/unit of output (kWh, km, t, units, ...), if any			
Plant/device size	kW, GJ/y	kW	t/y, unit/y, ...	kW, unit/y
Lifetime	years			
Capacity factor	hours/y	km/y	t/y, unit/y, ...	energy use/y
Annual production	kWh/y, GJ/y	km/y	t/y, unit/y, ...	energy use/y
Overnight capital cost	\$/kW, \$/GJ/y	\$/kW	\$/t/y, \$/unit/y	\$/unit
O&M cost	\$/kWh, \$/MJ	\$/km	\$/t, \$/unit	\$/unit of en. use
Fuel, emissions & other costs	\$/kWh, \$/MJ	\$/km	\$/t, \$/unit	\$/unit of en. use
Levelized production cost	\$/kWh, \$/MJ	\$/km	\$/t, \$/unit	\$/unit of en. use

**Costs<sup>1</sup> of energy technologies are assessed using the levelized electricity cost (LEC) method, with appropriate amendments to apply to all technology sectors (energy conversion, transport, industry, buildings..)**

**LEC is the ratio of total (*discounted*) lifetime costs ( $\sum_i C_i$ ) incurred by the investor to supply electricity to the grid to the total amount of electricity generated by a power plant ( $\sum_i E_i$ ) over its lifetime LT**

$$\text{LEC} = \sum_i C_i / \sum_i E_i \quad \longrightarrow \quad \sum_i C_i = \text{LEC} * \sum_i E_i$$

**LEC is also referred to as the minimum electricity price that repays the investor for all (*discounted*) costs ( $\sum_i C_i$ ) incurred for plant construction and operation over lifetime (LT), with no profit.**

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1) Include capital, financial, O&M, fuel, CO2 emissions, waste, decommissioning, production and other accountable costs

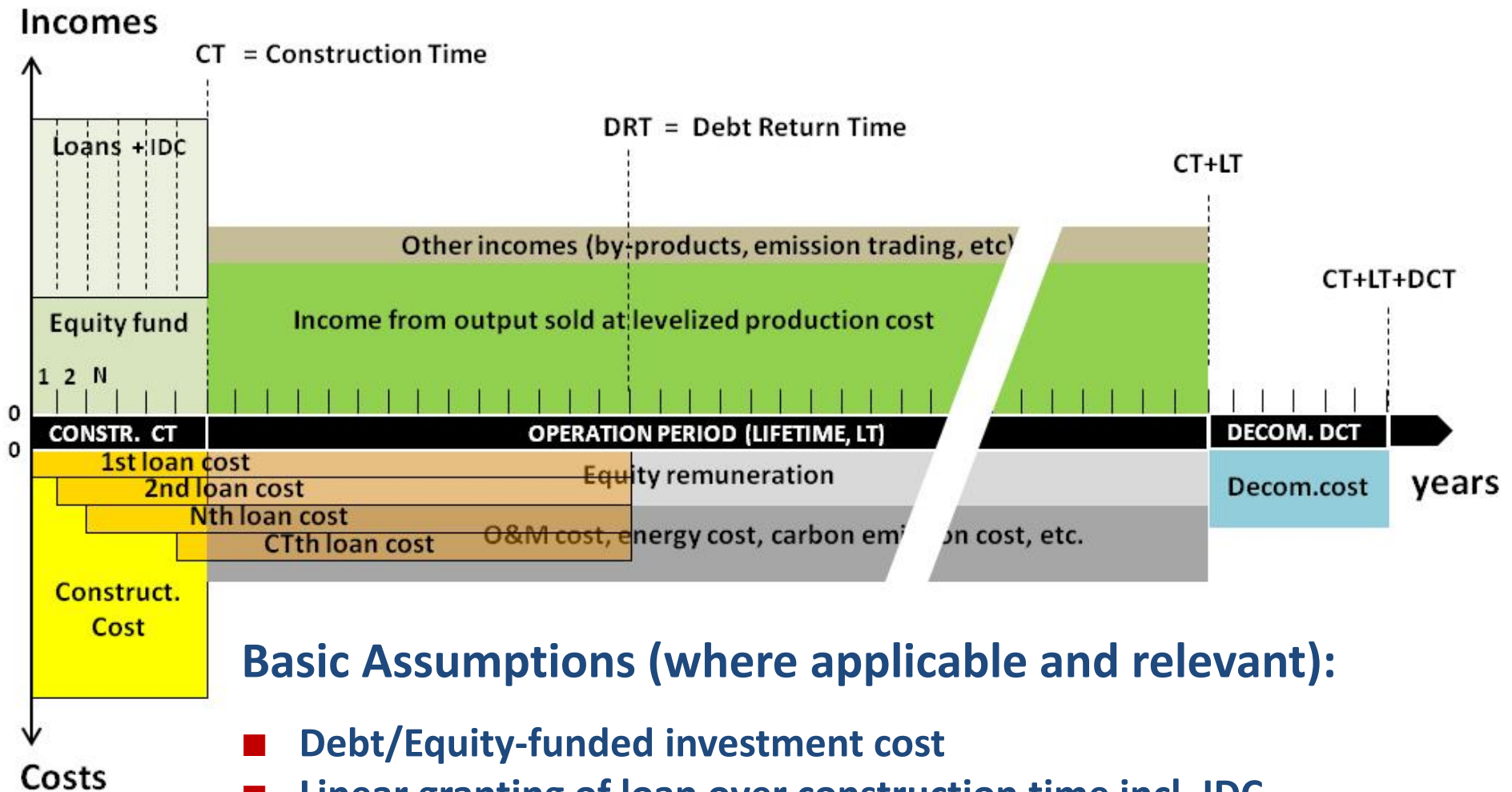
- **Widely used to assess electricity cost from different power technologies, e.g.:**
  - **IEA-NEA** - Projected Costs of Generating Electricity 2010 (next release 2015)
  - **IRENA** - Renewable Power Generation Costs 2012
  - **IPCC** - Ren. Energy Sources & Climate Change Mitigation - Special Report – 5<sup>th</sup> Assessment Report (AR5), WG III Climate Change 2014
  - **US NREL & DOE** - Levelized Cost of Energy Calculator ([nrel.gov](http://nrel.gov); [en.openei.org](http://en.openei.org))
  - **US EIA** - Levelized Cost and Levelized *Avoided* Cost of New Generation Resources in the Annual Energy Outlook 2014; Assessing the Economic Value of New Utility-Scale Gen. Projects
  - **FRAUNHOFER** (Institute for Solar Energy - Germany) - Levelized Cost of Electricity - Renewable Energy Technologies, 2013
  - **plus many other applications ...**
  
- **Results vary significantly as a function of basic assumptions and applications**
  
- **Comparing results is often difficult because of pore information on basic assumptions (e.g. debt/equity funding, interest and discount rate, debt return time, depreciation, interest during construction ...)**
  
- **Rare applications to non-power energy technologies**

# This approach's key features ...

- **Applicable to supply and demand energy technologies;**
- **Investor-side cost analysis** to reflect real market, away;
- **Full transparency** for users to change technical-economic inputs;
- **Flexible project financing structure** (debt/equity ratio);
- **Linear loan** over construction time (if applicable);
- **Interest during construction** (if applicable);
- **Cost discount**, with different discount rates;
- **Accounting for** capital, financial, FixOM, VarOM, fuel/energy, emissions, waste management, production taxes and decommissioning costs;
- **Credit for income from** avoided emissions, subsidies, by-products;
- **Variable annual production** to account for ageing;
- **Variable fuel/energy & emissions costs** to account for fluctuations;
- **Levelized cost based on un/discounted production;**
- **Investment return time** (if any) based on expected market prices.



# Typical cash flow/balance





## Basic Assumptions (where applicable and relevant):

- Debt/Equity-funded investment cost
- Linear granting of loan over construction time incl. IDC
- Debt return time (DRT)  $\leq$  lifetime (LT), based on market/regulatory
- Equity remuneration during the operation period
- Annual-based production and costs

# ETechDS Normalisation Model

- Four .xls files (energy conversion, transport, industry, buildings);
- Several sheets per file, one per technology cluster, e.g. nat. gas-fired power plants incl. GT, GTCC, GTCC+CCS, ...
- Five model columns (normalization) per sheet, with VBA macros;
- Normalized data for technology variants on other columns;
- TIMES-relevant data for each technology sector are then transferred to a spreadsheet in a suitable form for TIMES input;
- Ongoing numerical testing and validation, all sectors.

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O
1	1	2	3	4	5										
2															
3	POWER SECTOR - GAS FIRED POWER PLANTS					GAS TURBINE COMBINED CYCLES - GTCC					GAS TURBINE COMBINED CYCLE				
4	PLEASE NOTE:					Data Sources:					Data Sources:				
5	MODEL ROWS WITH VB CELLS; DO NOT INSERT/DELETE ROWS/COLUMNS IN THE MODEL AREA: ROWS 1 to 230, COLUMNS 1 to 5					 C:\Users\giorgia\Desktop\WORM 16a					 C:\Users\giorgia\Desktop\WORM 16a				
6	■ KEY INPUT DATA in RED; ■ OPTIONAL DATA in BLUE; ■ CALCULATED DATA in BLACK;														
7	LT = 5, 10, 15, 20 .... LT MAX = 60 YEARS; 1kWh = 3.6 MJ					CommandButton1									
8							2015			2030			2015		
9			CO-RELATION	UNIT	MODEL	ref. value	min	max	ref. value	min	max	ref. value	min	max	ref. va
10	INPUT/OUTPUT					VBA CELLS									
11	(energy) input	I			nat gas										
12	lower heating value (energy content)	LHV		MJ/m3	36.50										
13	CO2 emission factor	CEF		kgCO2/MJ	0.06										
14	CO2 emission factor	CEF	LHV*CEF	kgCO2/m3	2.01										
15	other GHG emission factor	GHGEF		kgCO2eq/MJ	0.00										
16	output	O			electricity										
17	by-product	BP			none										
18	PROCESS AND SERVICE														
19	main process fluids	MPF			fluegas/steam										
20	max process temperature	MPT		°C	1300/540										
21	max process pressure	MPP		bar											
22	service	SER			intm/base load										
23	ENERGY STORAGE														

**THANKS for your attention**

**Comments and suggestions to improve the model and better meeting the needs of TIMES users are more than welcome**

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