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UrbanGold  
recycling for a green future

COMBINED COMPETENCE UNDER ONE ROOF

**Your partner for developing,  
designing, and realizing  
metal recycling projects**

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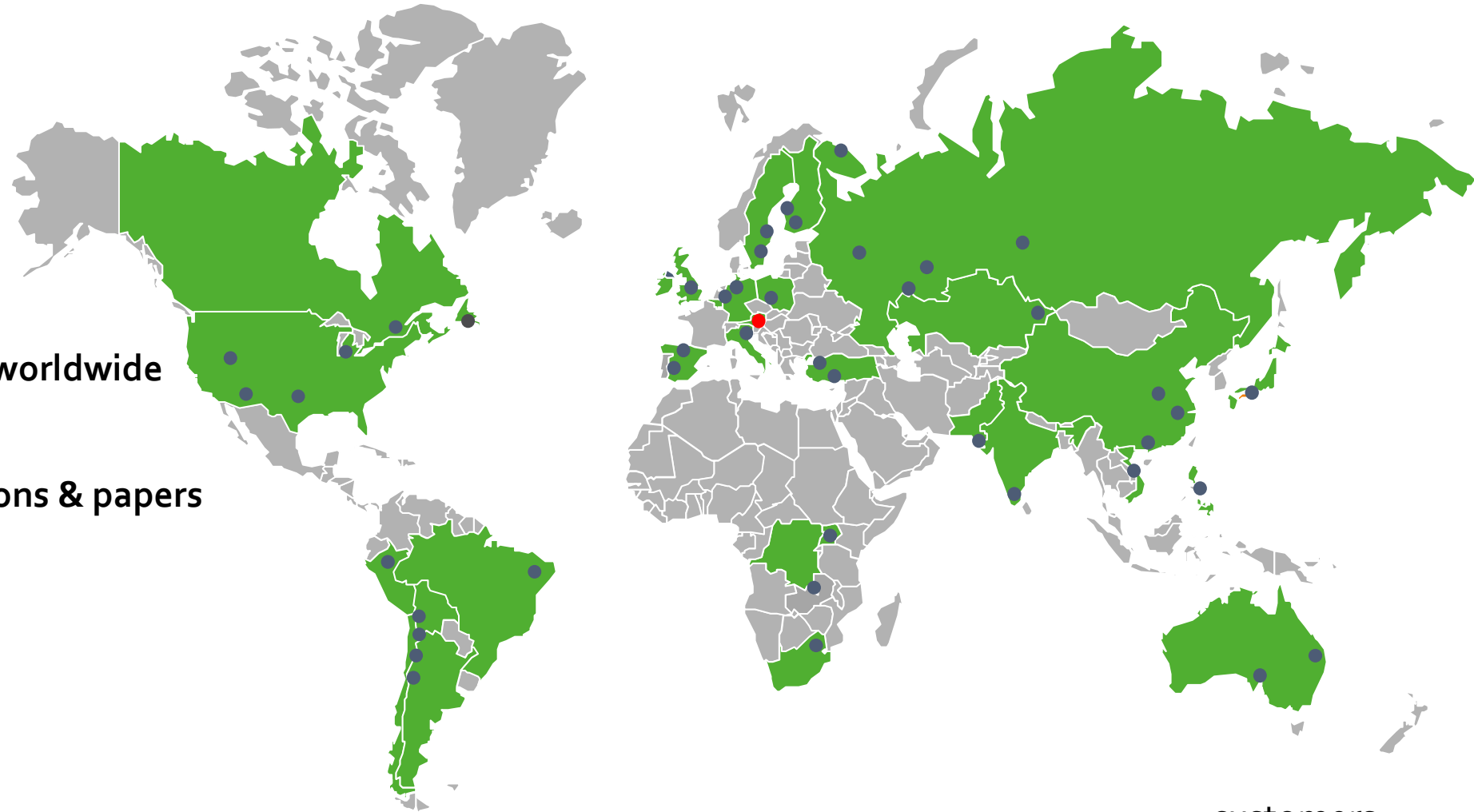


15 years experience

More than 100 projects worldwide

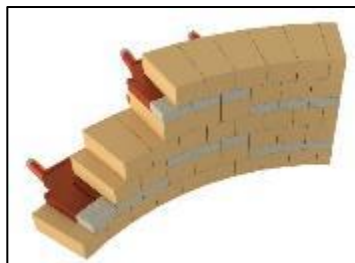
More than 200 publications & papers

3 active patent families



• customers

## OVERVIEW PRODUCTS AND SERVICES



### Non-ferrous metals units

- ◆ TBRC
- ◆ HENRI<sup>®</sup>
- ◆ Gas Purging Systems
- ◆ Coolers



### Refractories non-ferrous

- ◆ 3D Engineering + supply
- ◆ CFD modeling
- ◆ HT-calculations
- ◆ EXP-calculations

### UrbanGold Metal Recycling

- ♻️ **Process Design & Engineering**
- ♻️ **Technical Project Management**
- ♻️ **Consulting**
- ♻️ **UG Technologies**

### Tankhouse technology

- ◆ METTOP-BRX<sup>®</sup> Technology
- ◆ Cathode spacers
- ◆ Complete Tankhouse

### ILTEC for vessel cooling

- ◆ IL-B2001<sup>®</sup>
- ◆ Ionic Liquid Technology for vessel cooling
- ◆ Furnace integrity optimization

Overall Process & Technology Consulting

Field Studies & Trainings

Process and 3D Plant Engineering

Research & Development & Innovation

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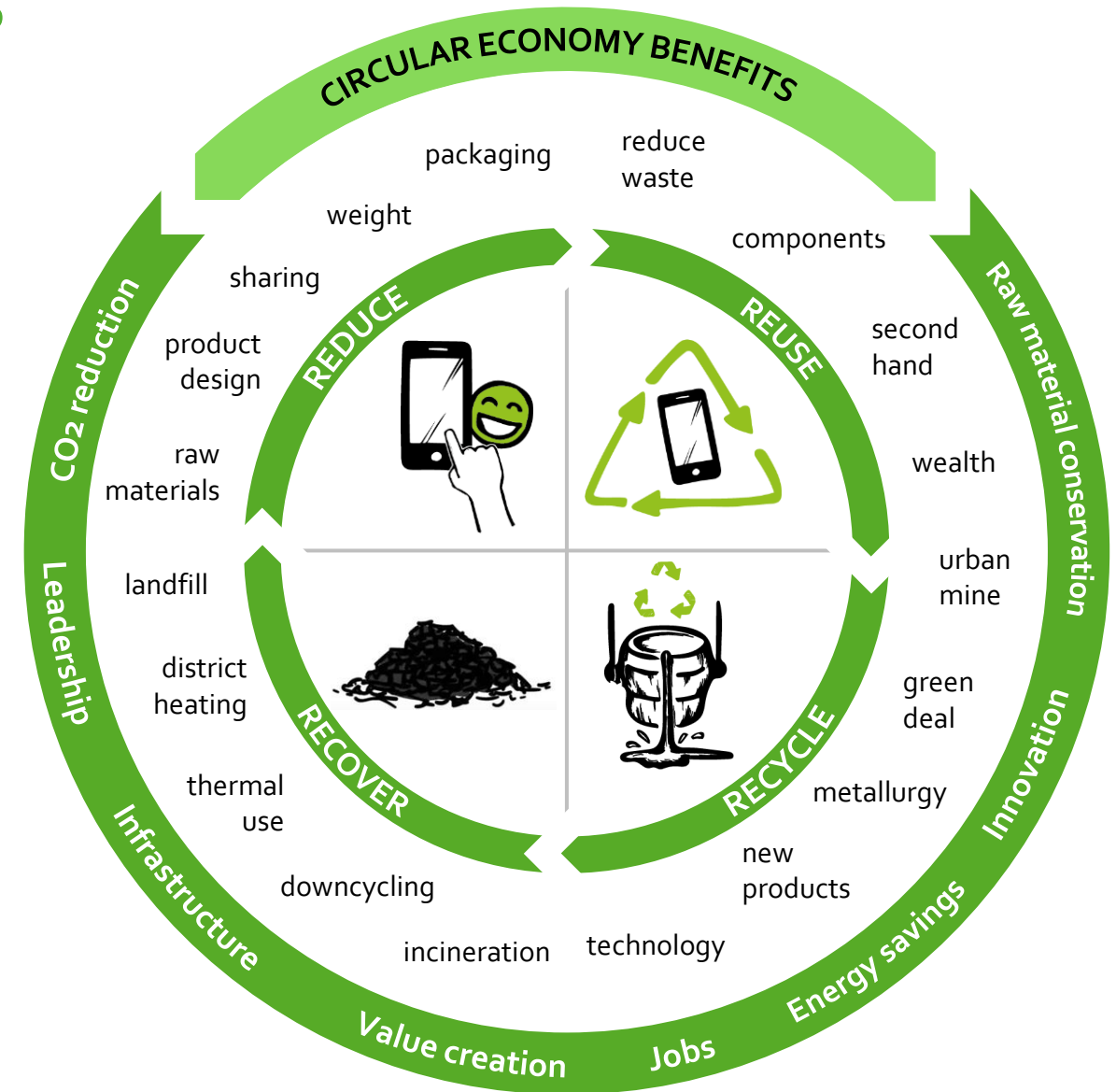
## BENEFITS OF UG-TECHNOLOGIES

### 🌱 Sustainability

- 🌱 Save energy and natural resources
- 🌱 Use carbon free technologies
- 🌱 Minimize waste and landfill
- 🌱 Reduce CO<sub>2</sub> footprint
- 🌱 Protect the climate

### 🌱 High tech and innovation

- 🌱 Be a global leader
- 🌱 Use most modern technologies
- 🌱 Closed circuits for a smart city
- 🌱 Create value out of waste



**THERE IS NO PLAN(ET) B!**

## YOUR PARTNER FOR METAL RECYCLING



### PROCESS DESIGN & ENGINEERING

- 🔄 Technical & Economical & Environmental Feasibility
- 🔄 Process Development
- 🔄 Process Modelling
- 🔄 Process Engineering



### TECHNICAL PROJECT MANAGEMENT

- 🔄 Engineering Services
- 🔄 Interface Management
- 🔄 Technical Advice & Coaching
- 🔄 Ramp Up Support



### CONSULTING SERVICES

- 🔄 Fitness Check
- 🔄 Recycling Process Optimization
- 🔄 Metallurgical Advice & Coaching
- 🔄 Studies



### URBANGOLD TECHNOLOGIES

- 🔄 UrbanGold HENRI
- 🔄 UrbanGold Flex
- 🔄 UrbanGold Compact



## YOUR CHALLENGE

- ❏ Lack of suitable recycling solutions for your waste / secondary raw material
- ❏ Lack of specialized know-how for prospects outside the core business
- ❏ Significant influence of legal framework and environmental regulations
- ❏ Demand for increasing recycling rate and/or energy efficiency

## OUR OFFER

- ❏ Finding solutions for your waste stream / secondary raw material
- ❏ Process development for novel recycling solutions
- ❏ Process design for novel & established technologies
- ❏ Process calculations, process modelling, and mass & energy balancing
- ❏ Evaluation of technical, economical, and environmental feasibility

## YOUR BENEFIT

- ❏ Customer tailored recycling solution optimized for your specific application & raw material
- ❏ Estimation of media, energy, and auxiliary consumption
- ❏ Prediction of products amount, quality, profitability

## THE KING'S CLASS OF RECYCLING

End of Life Vehicles



E-Waste & PCB scrap



Catalysts



29  
Cu

46  
Pd

47  
Ag

82  
Pb

50  
Sn

30  
Zn

78  
Pt

and many more

We are your partner for any kind of metal containing secondary raw material

Slags, skimmings & dusts



Photovoltaic Systems



Batteries (e.g. Lithium Ion)



Metallic scrap  
Alloy scrap  
Cable scrap



79  
Au

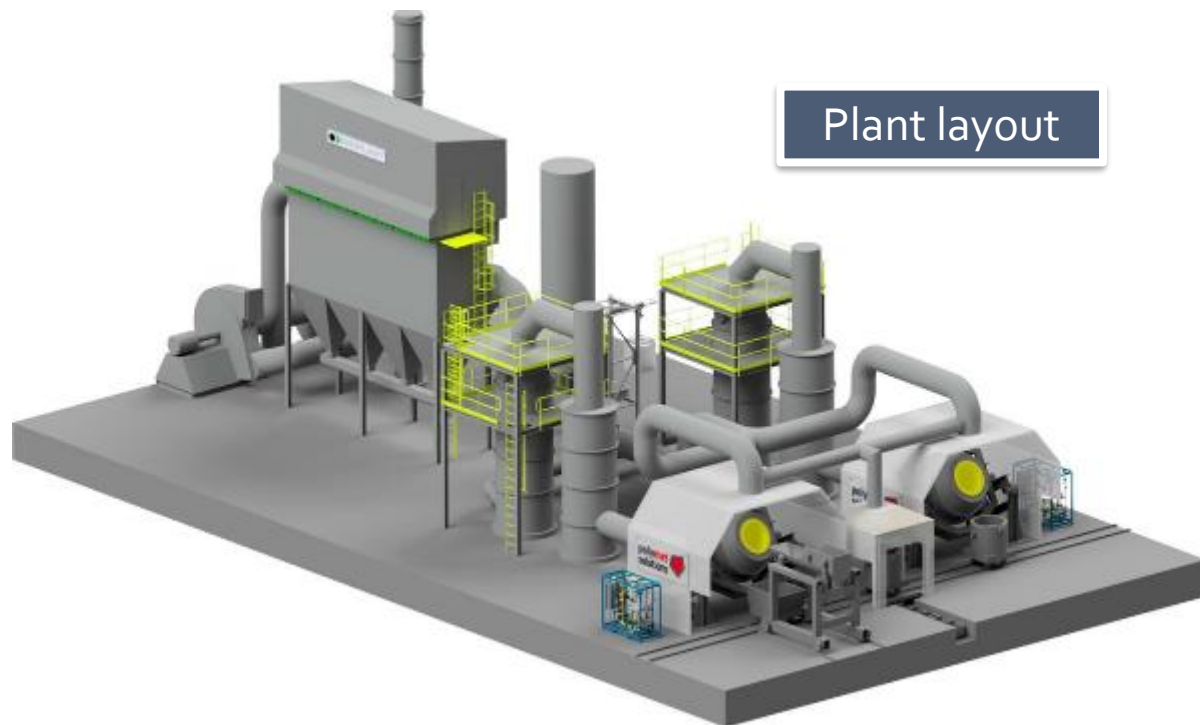
28  
Ni

3  
Li

26  
Fe

13  
Al

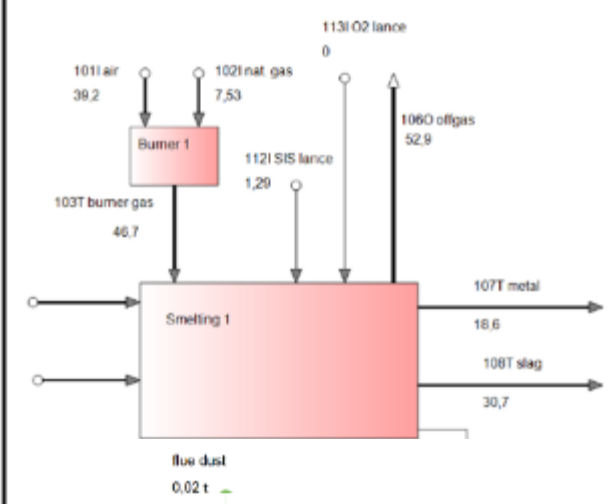
## SMELTING & REFINING OF HIGH-GRADE COPPER SCRAP → REFERENCES



Plant layout

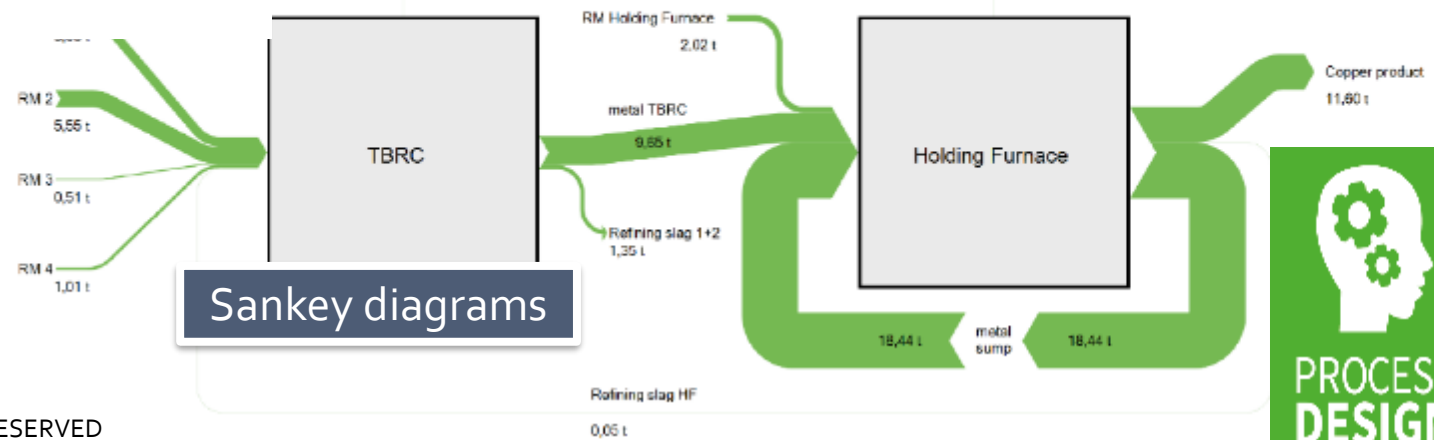
Refining slags	
Output Year	1 470 tpa
Output Batch	1 480 kg/batch
Ag	0,0000 wt.-%
Al2O3	1,0868 wt.-%
As2O3	0,0000 wt.-%
CaO	0,3381 wt.-%
Cr2O3	1,0471 wt.-%
Cu2O	24,2981 wt.-%
FeO	45,4430 wt.-%
MgO	0,0483 wt.-%
NiO	0,3412 wt.-%
P2O5	0,2335 wt.-%
PbO	0,3825 wt.-%
Sb2O3	0,0000 wt.-%
SiO2	25,3862 wt.-%
SnO	0,6574 wt.-%
SnO2	0,3809 wt.-%
TiO2	0,0000 wt.-%
ZnO	0,3569 wt.-%
Others, each	present wt.-%
<b>Total</b>	<b>100,00 wt.-%</b>

M&E balance



Process design

Step No.	1	2	3
Step Name	Smelting	Refining 1	Refining 2
Continuance of metal phase	remains	remains	HF
Continuance of slag phase	remains	removed	removed
Process time [h]	1,79	0,37	1,04
Burner lambda [-]	1,05	1,20	1,20
Bath Temperature [C°]	1.200	1.205	1.195
Fe/SiO2 ratio [-]	1,40	1,40	1,40
Oxygen in Metal [ppm]	1.500	5.000	8.000



Sankey diagrams





## YOUR CHALLENGE

- ❏ Lack of resources for planning, designing, and implementing new recycling processes
- ❏ Lack of specialized know-how for prospects outside the core business
- ❏ Need for independent third-party opinions
- ❏ Need for comprehensive knowledge covering a variety of facets

## OUR OFFER

- ❏ Managing the project on your behalf – from pre-feasibility, engineering via construction to start-up and beyond
- ❏ Definition of project structure, work packages, and committees
- ❏ Comprehensive Project controlling and monitoring
- ❏ Consulting on all project phases

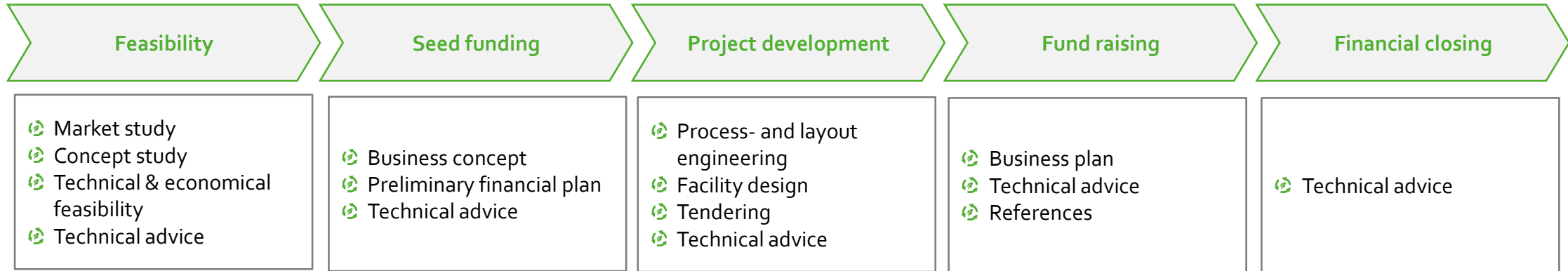
## YOUR BENEFIT

- ❏ Comprehensive expertise from a single, independent partner
- ❏ Objective recommendations
- ❏ Best fit for the purpose: economical, technical, and environmental optimized solutions
- ❏ Cost effective project realization
- ❏ Consulting services included

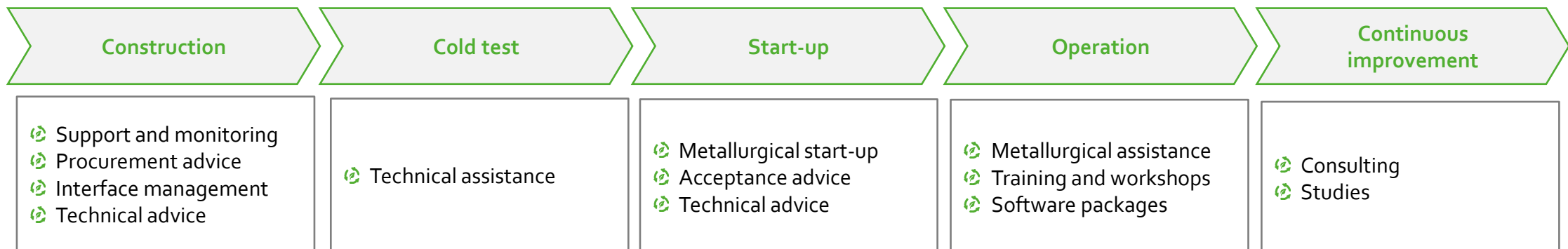


## OUR SERVICES SUPPORTING YOUR PROJECT

### Planning phase



### Realisation phase



## SOME OF OUR REFERENCES

- 🔗 Market study on regionally occurring scrap quantities and availability as a basis for the design of a recycling plant (Spain, 2018)
- 🔗 Process engineering and consulting services for a WEEE recycling facility for a brownfield plant upgrade (Spain, 2019)
- 🔗 Concept engineering and consulting services for a Greenfield secondary copper plant (USA, 2019)
- 🔗 Consulting services and facility design for a Greenfield PCB recycling facility (Russia, 2020)
- 🔗 Concept development, technical-scale test series, cost-benefit analyses, and consulting for processing of high-grade copper scraps (Germany, 2020)
- 🔗 Concept development, raw material strategy, technical and economic feasibility, and consulting for a Greenfield WEEE recycling facility (United Kingdom, 2021)
- 🔗 Concept development, raw material strategy, technical and economic feasibility for a Greenfield multi metal recycling facility (Austria, 2021)
- 🔗 Consulting, workshops, and trainings in the field of slag metallurgy and processing of complex secondary raw materials (various projects)

## YOUR CHALLENGE

- 🔄 Need for comprehensive knowledge covering a variety of facets
- 🔄 Uncertainty due to the lack of an outside view
- 🔄 Personnel occupied with daily routine and focussed on established processes
- 🔄 Difficulty to recruit skilled people and high staff fluctuation
- 🔄 Need for independent third-party opinions

## OUR OFFER

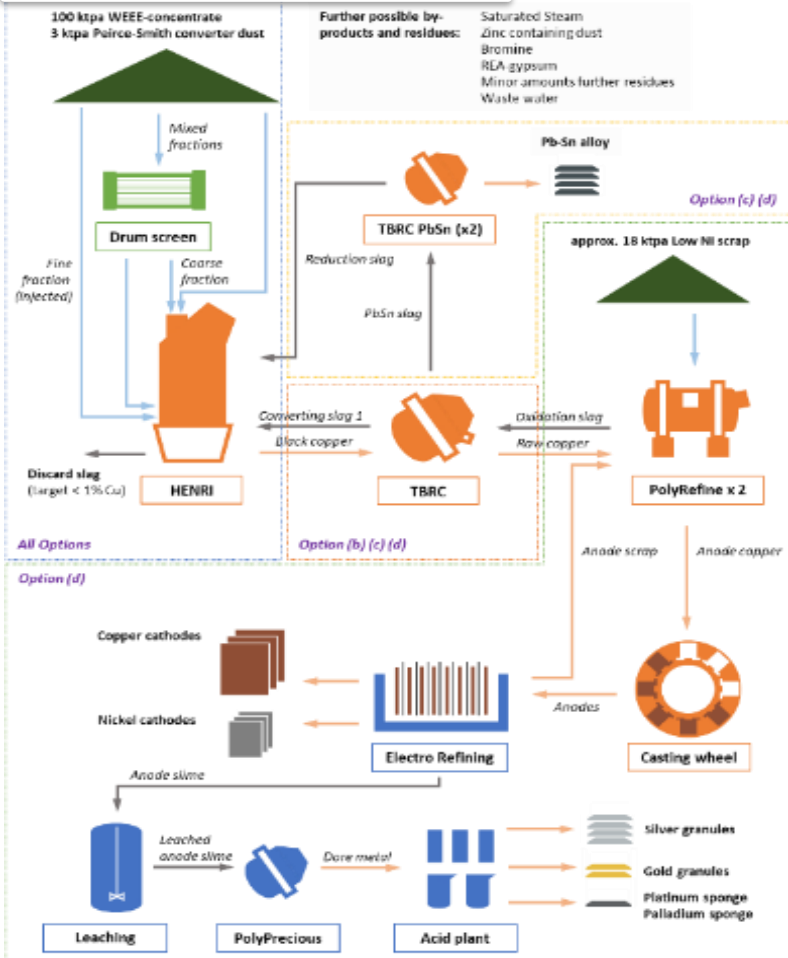
- 🔄 Fitness Check: Deficiency and weak spot identification
- 🔄 Process Optimization: Evaluation of process and equipment performance, quality level, and operational bottlenecks; recommendations for performance increase
- 🔄 Metallurgical Advice & Coaching
- 🔄 Studies

## YOUR BENEFIT

- 🔄 Comprehensive expertise from a single, independent partner
- 🔄 Objective recommendations
- 🔄 In depth expertise and analysis
- 🔄 Gaining a rapid and thorough basis for decision making
- 🔄 Confidential cooperation
- 🔄 Estimate ad state CAPEX & OPEX

## TECHNICAL ASPECTS

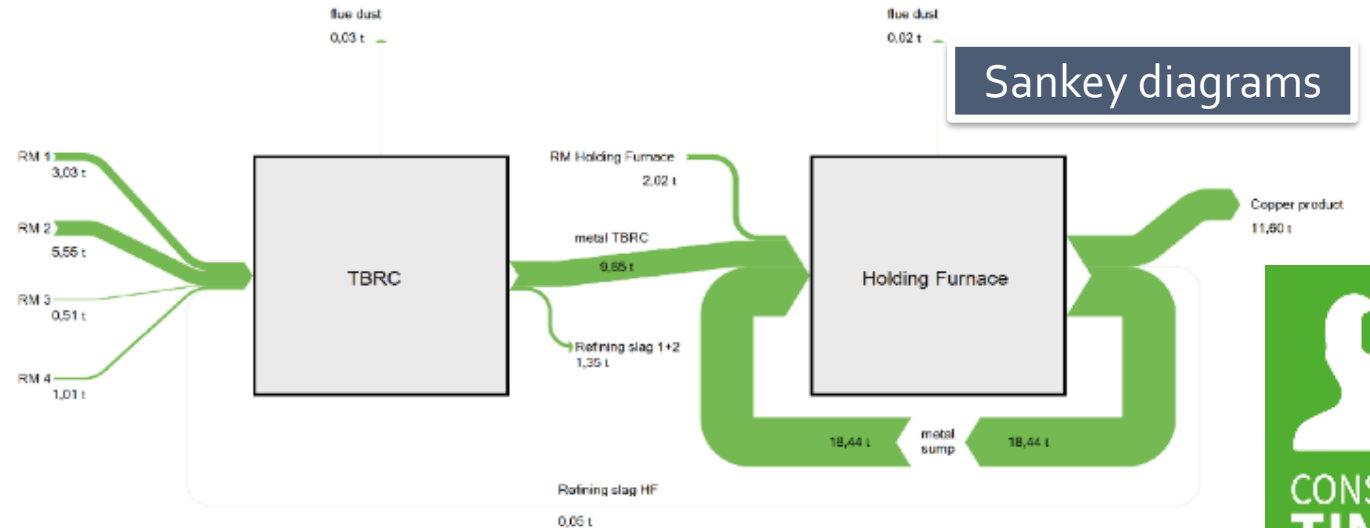
### Process flow diagrams



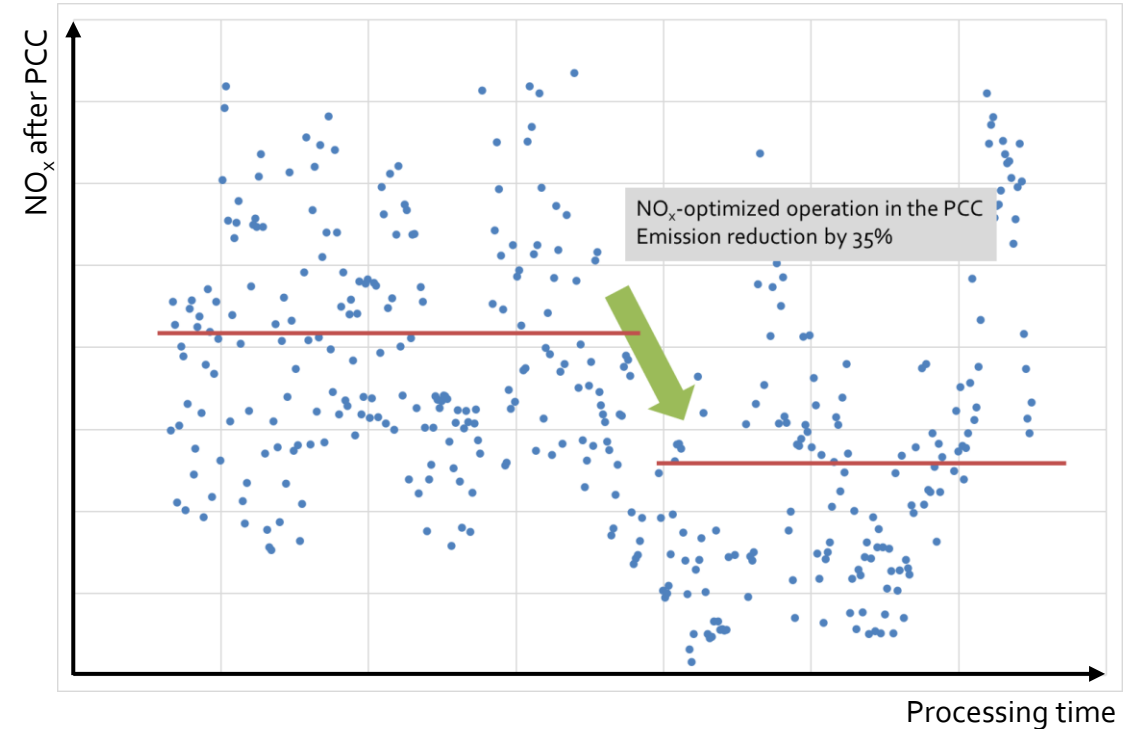
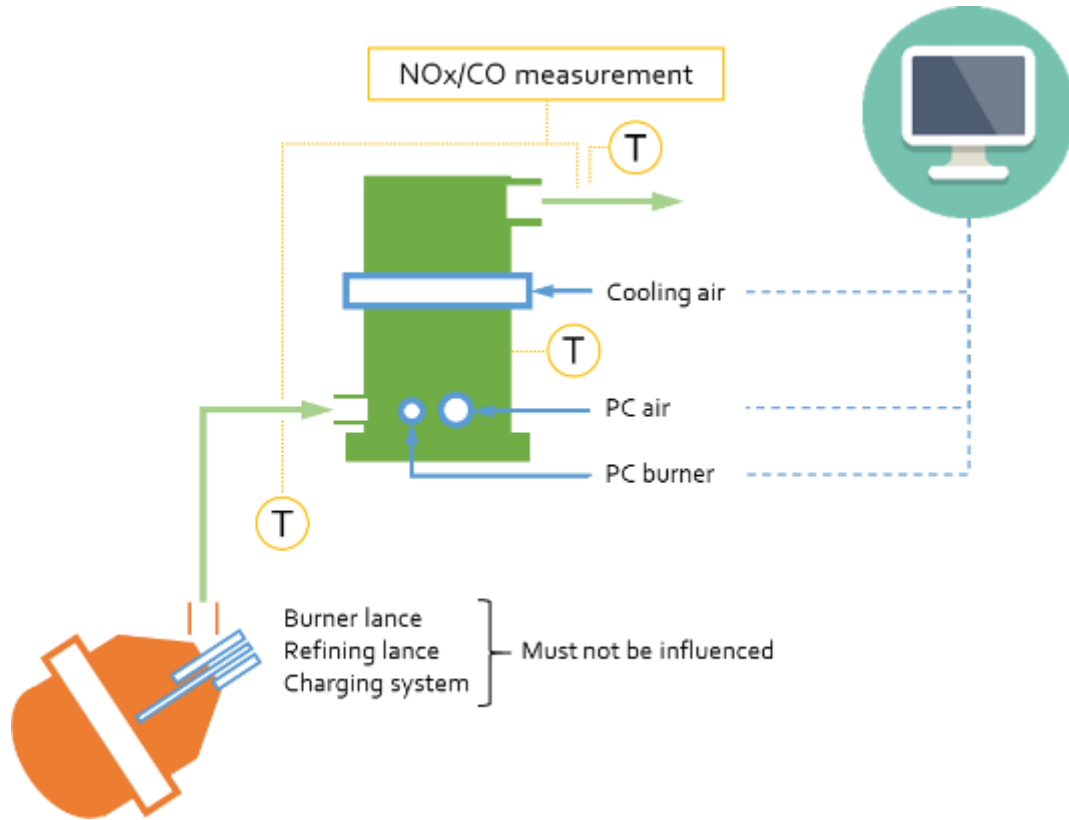
### Cost-benefit analysis

Nr.	Sekundärrohstoff	Wichtigkeit				W	max	Rohstoff 1	Rohstoff 2	Rohstoff 3				
		10	6	3	1									
		Notwendig	Sehr wichtig	Vorteilhaft	Gewünscht									
		Eignung												
		10	7	4	2	0								
		Perfekt	Gut	Mittel	Schlecht	Nicht								
1	Kriterien						460	2	238	1	280	3	169	
1 1	Wertstoff-Gehalt	> 70%	< 70%	< 25%	< 10%	< 1%	3	30	7	21	4	12	7	21
1 2	Wertstoff-Wert/to	> 10.000€	> 2.000€	> 500€	> 100€	> 0€	10	100	7	70	10	100	7	70
1 3	Problemstoff-Gehalt	Spuren	< 100 ppm	< 1000 ppm	< 1%	> 1%	6	60	7	42	7	42	4	24
1 4	Potentielle Wertschöpfung	> 50%	> 25%	> 15%	> 5%	< 5%	6	60	2	12	7	42	2	12
1 5	Aufbereitungsaufwand	Sehr niedrig	niedrig	mittel	hoch	sehr hoch	3	30	10	30	7	21	2	6
1 6	Umweltverträglichkeit	Sehr hoch	hoch	mittel	niedrig	sehr niedrig	6	60	7	42	7	42	2	12
1 7	Verfügbare Menge	Sehr hoch	hoch	mittel	niedrig	sehr niedrig	3	30	7	21	7	21	2	6
1 8	Komplexität der Verbindungen	sehr niedrig	niedrig	mittel	hoch	sehr hoch	3	30	0	0	0	0	2	6
1 9	Wettbewerbsintensität	sehr niedrig	niedrig	mittel	hoch	sehr hoch	6	60	0	0	0	0	2	12

### Sankey diagrams



## EXAMPLE: NOX REDUCTION



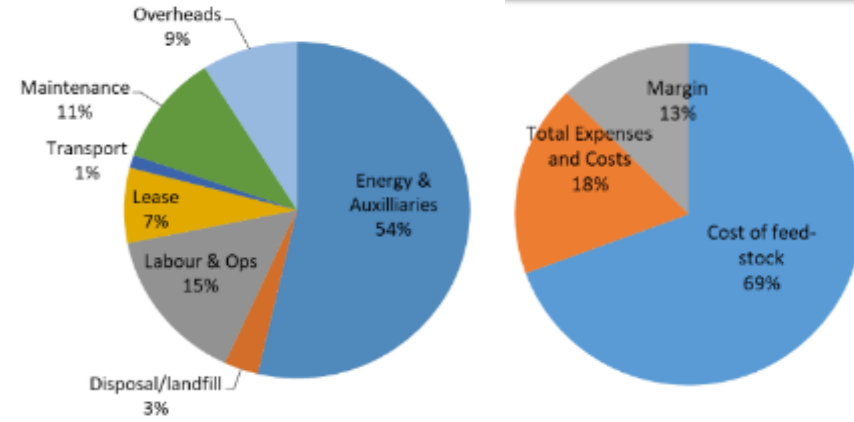
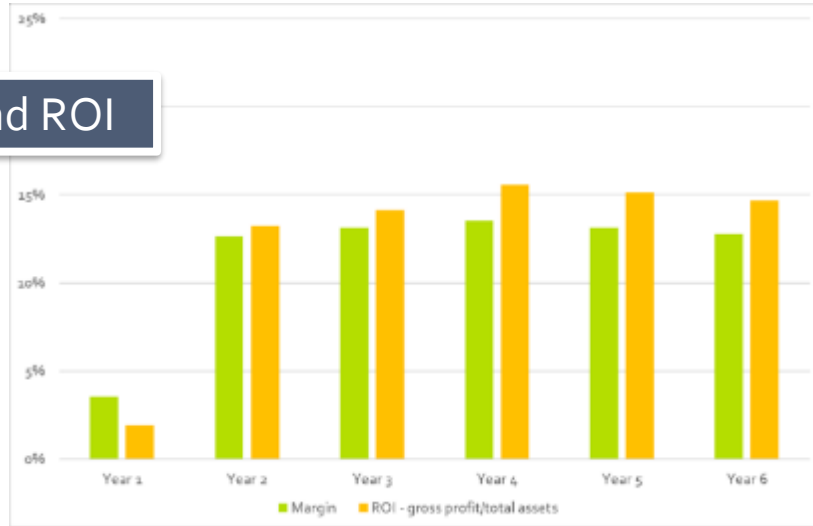
### NO<sub>x</sub>-optimized operation of the PCC...

- 🌱 Emission Reduction by up to 35 %
- 🌱 Easier reaches emission limits
- 🌱 Increases flexibility in metallurgical furnace operation
- 🌱 Reduces the need for an SCR

## ECONOMIC ASPECTS

### Breakdown of costs and revenues

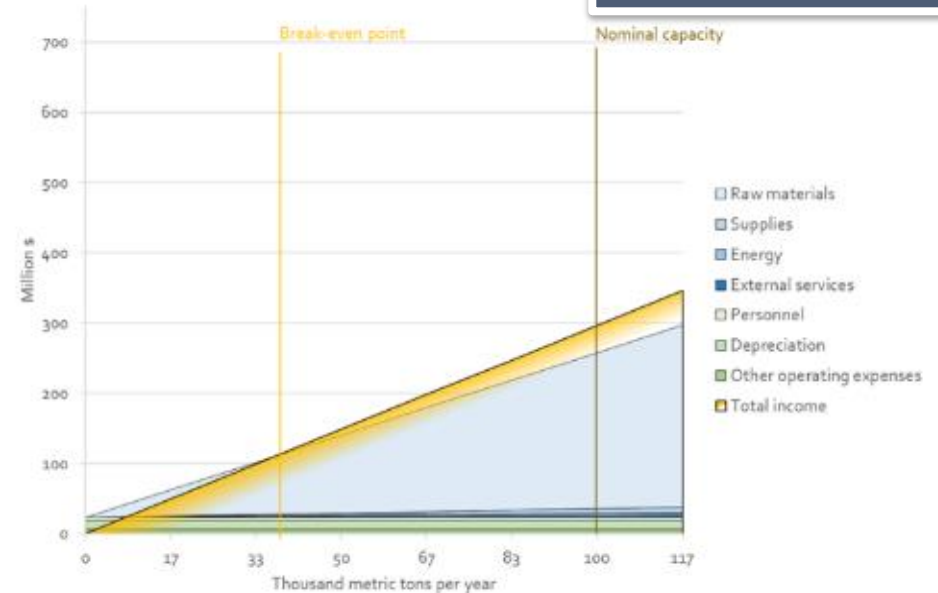
#### Margin and ROI



#### Sensitivity analysis

	Sensitivity	Influence gross profit	Payback time
Copper price	+ 10%	+ 4.1%	- 3.2 months
Gold price	+ 10%	+ 8.2%	- 6.6 months
Palladium price	+ 10%	- 4.1%	+ 3.3 months
Gold content	+ 10%	- 1.8%	+ 1.5 months
Palladium cont.	+ 10%	- 13.3%	+ 10.8 months
Yield	+ 0.5%	+ 3.8%	- 2.2 months
Discount	+ 5%	+ 7.8%	- 2.4 months
Energy	- 10%	+ 1.2%	- 0.8 months

#### Break even analysis



## YOUR CHALLENGE

- ❏ Need for a most modern metallurgical e-waste recycling technology
- ❏ Need to process a big variety different metal bearing qualities
- ❏ Need to minimize losses, achieve marketable by-products, and maximize economic results
- ❏ Need of state-of-the-art environmental solutions
- ❏ Need of a partner with comprehensive knowledge

## OUR OFFER

- ❏ A comprehensive technical solution with latest, but already established technologies
- ❏ Highly specialized smelting vessels with modular design for numerous applications and raw material mixes
- ❏ A metallurgical process to handle all possible impurities and to maximize metals yield
- ❏ An economical attractive production within a wide range

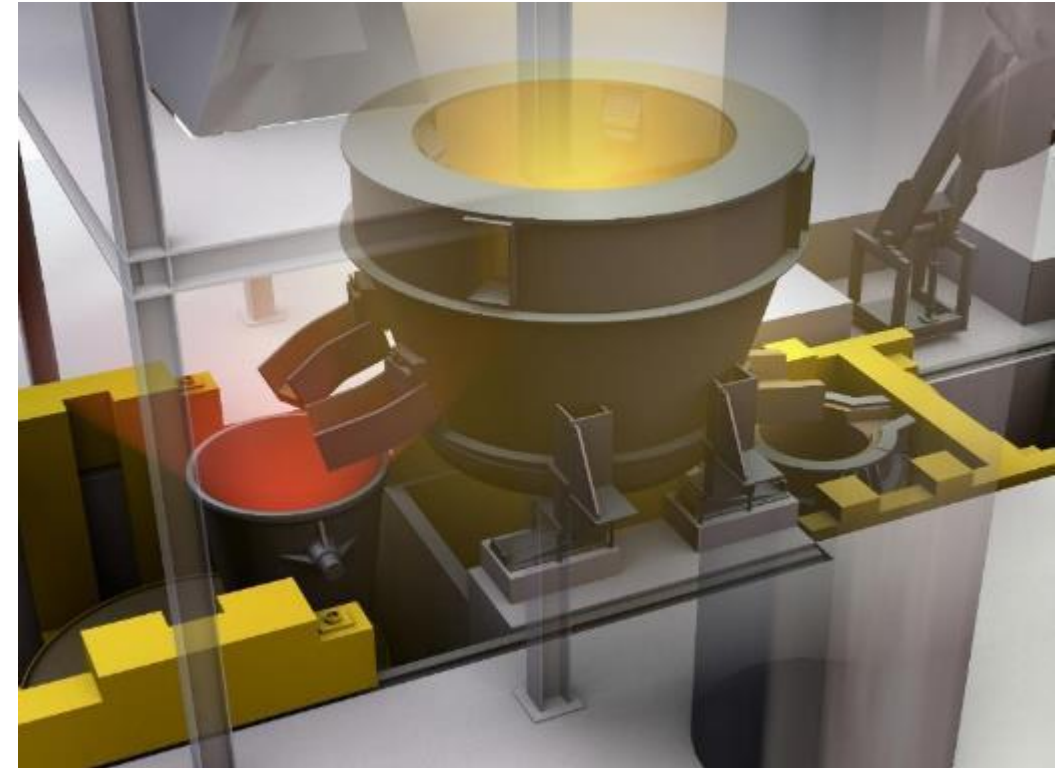
## YOUR BENEFIT

- ❏ A customer tailored design for your individual application
- ❏ A comprehensive solution from metallurgical experts
- ❏ The recycling process as key to a successful and economical attractive operation
- ❏ Included consulting services for all content related topics, e.g., feed stock, permitting, infrastructure (...)

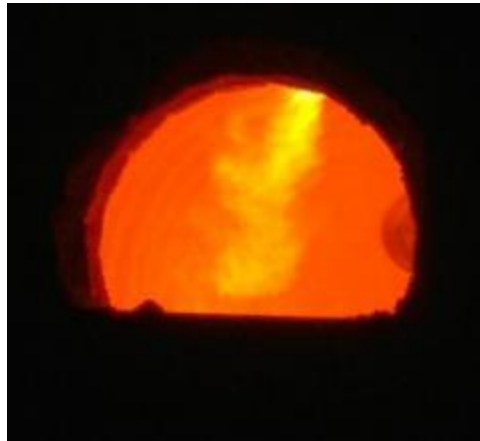
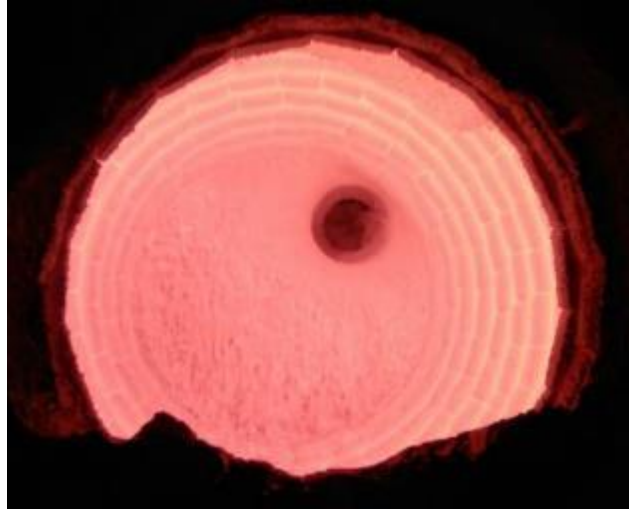


## READY TO GO

- 🔄 For e-waste recycling, we can offer our **ready developed technologies**
- 🔄 Depending on your actual feed stock you can choose between **three options**:
  - 🔄 **UrbanGold compact** for PCB scrap recycling
  - 🔄 **UrbanGold classic** for fractions with lowest copper and precious metals content
  - 🔄 **UrbanGold flex** for highest possible feed stock flexibility
- 🔄 Core of the flex and classic technology is our patented **HENRI** smelting furnace



## HENRI SMELTER





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