CO2 capture technology developments in Europe

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Abstract

In December 2005 the European technology platform Zero Emission fossil fuel Power plants was launched. The ZEP vision is to enable European fossil fuel power plants to have zero emissions of CO2 by 2020. The Platform consists of 6 power generators, 6 equipment manufacturers, 5 oil & gas companies, 5 research centers and 3 NGO's.

The approach of the ZEP is at 3 levels:

- modernisation of existing plants
- development of high efficiency plants
- development of new CO2 capture and storage technologies

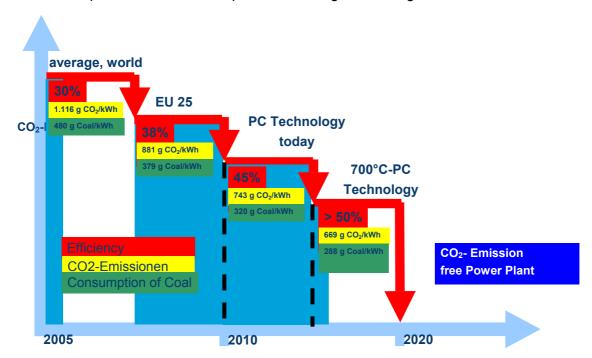


Figure 1. Efficiency enhancement & CO2 reduction of coal fired power plants according to the ZEP approach

In the presentation the status of European demonstration projects will be elaborated, followed by the on going Carbon Capture & Storage research and developments.

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