

# Design for Resource and Energy efficiency in cerAMic kilns

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Project Overview

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# BASIC FACTS

<b>Total cost:</b> EUR 5 076 105	<b>Topic(s):</b> <a href="#">SPIRE-04-2016 - Industrial furnace design addressing energy efficiency in new and existing furnaces</a>	<b>Start date:</b> 2016-10-01
<b>EU contribution:</b> EUR 5 076 105	<b>Call for proposal:</b> H2020-SPIRE-2016	<b>End date:</b> 2019-09-30
<b>Coordinated by:</b> SACMI FORNI SPA	<b>Funding scheme:</b> RIA - Research and Innovation action	<b>Total duration:</b> 36 months



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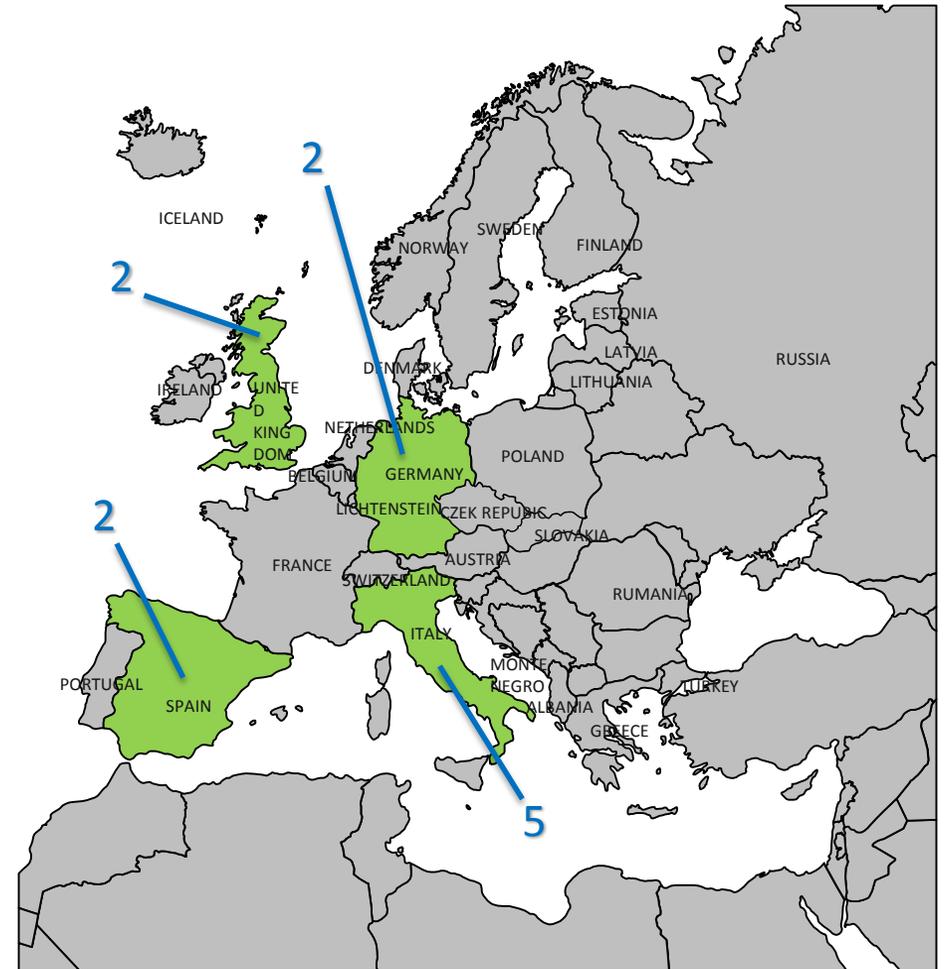
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# CONSORTIUM

No	Participant organisation name	Acronym	Country
1 (Coord.)	SACMI FORNI SPA	SAC	Italy
2	INSTITUTO DE TECNOLOGÍA CERÁMICA	ITC	Spain
3	UNIVERSITÀ DEGLI STUDI DI MODENA E REGGIO EMILIA	UMR	Italy
4	ECONOTHERM LIMITED	ECO	United Kingdom
5	SYNESIS SOCIETA' CONSORTILE A RESPONSABILITA' LIMITATA	SYN	Italy
6	FORSCHUNGSGEMEINSCHAFT FEUERFEST EV	FGF	Germany
7	RATH GMBH	RAT	Germany
8	BRUNEL UNIVERSITY LONDON	BRU	United Kingdom
9	CENTRO DI RICERCA E INNOVAZIONE TECNOLOGICA SRL	CRI	Italy
10	KERABEN GRUPO SA	KER	Spain
11	MIRAGE GRANITO CERAMICO S.P.A.	MIR	Italy

The multidisciplinary consortium comprises **11 partners**:  
**6 Industrial partners** closely collaborating with group of  
**5 Research organizations**.



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# OBJECTIVES

- To design, develop and demonstrate a **RADICALLY IMPROVED ARCHITECTURE FOR CERAMIC INDUSTRIAL FURNACES**, characterised by:
  - optimised **ENERGY** consumption
  - reduced **EMISSIONS**
  - lower operating **COSTS**
- DREAM specific objectives:
  - O1 – To design innovative hardware furnace components improving energy efficiency (biofuel-fed CHP unit, heat pipes, emission abatement system)
  - O2 – To introduce substantial improvements on current hardware-software kiln parts (kiln control tool, refractory materials)
  - O3 – To test the DREAM solutions in a variety of industrial settings (retrofitting and pilot kiln demonstrators)
  - O4 – To pave the way for a full seizure of DREAM related market opportunities (dissemination, exploitation within the ceramic sector and market replication)



# AMBITION

- DREAM will develop and demonstrate technologies enabling a **significant advancement in the sustainability of ceramics processes**, implementing **5 synergic lines of research and 3 industrial demonstrators**, which will act as technological showcases for market deployment. Such approach will enable to advance, in the 5 lines of research, **from TRL4 to TRL6**.
- DREAM will strongly contribute to both the sustainability and competitiveness of the European ceramics and process industries. In particular, the DREAM technologies will earn an overall **20% opex and energy consumption reduction for industrial furnaces**, with an **average investment payback time for end users lower than 3 years**.
- The DREAM coordinator and industrial partners **are technology and market leaders in the ceramics equipment field**, and this will streamline the translation of the DREAM research results into successful products and services.



# LINES OF RESEARCH

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**WP1 - Biofuel-fed CHP Unit**

**WP2 - Kiln modelling simulation and control**

**WP3 - Heat Pipes & Waste Heat Recovery**

**WP4 - Innovative solution for Refractory Materials**

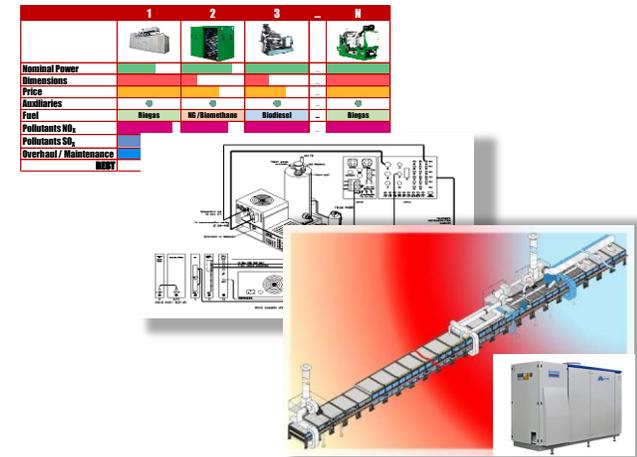
**WP5 - Emission monitoring and abatement**



# WP1 - Biofuel-fed CHP Unit

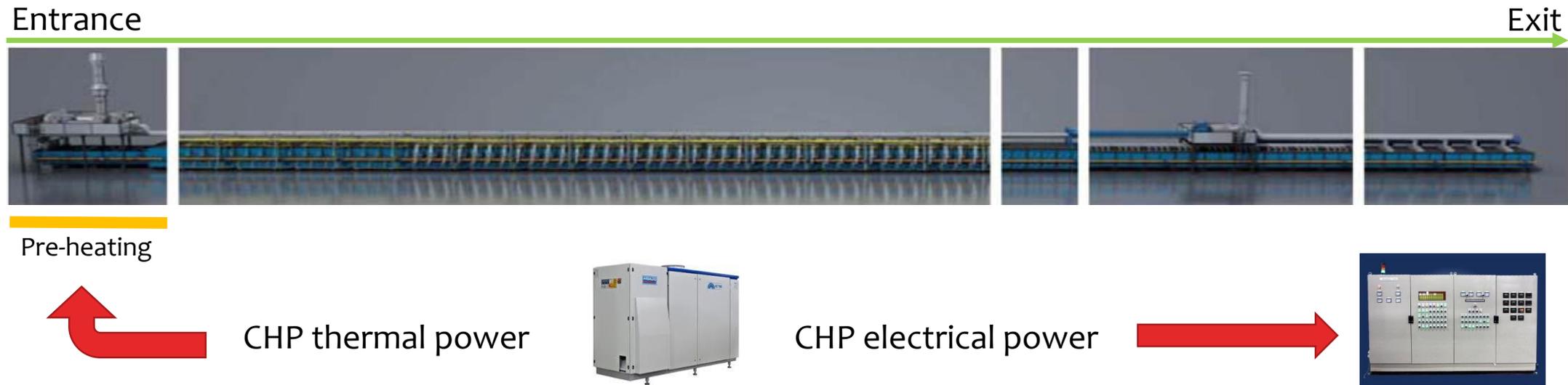
WP1 is subdivided into the following task:

- T1.1 → Technology benchmarking (CRIT)
- T1.2 → Technical specifications (SYNESIS)
- T1.3 → CHP installation (SACMI)



# WP1 - Biofuel-fed CHP Unit

WP1 will involve the following kiln area/areas:



# WP2 - Kiln modelling simulat. and control

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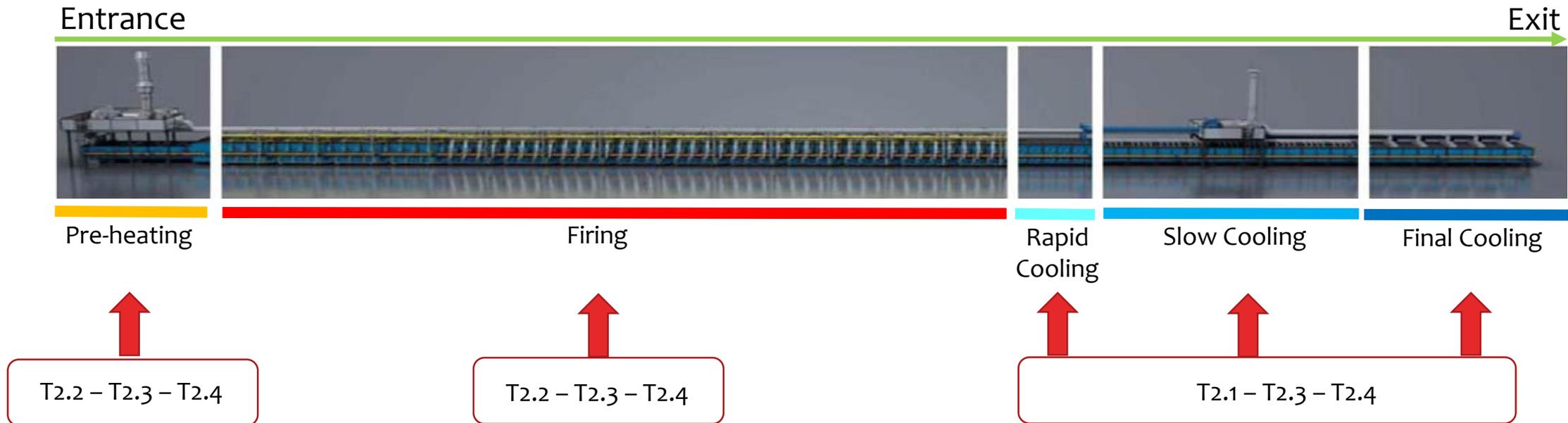
WP2 is subdivided into the following task:

- T2.1 → Thermo-mechanical product modelling (ITC)
- T2.2 → Thermal energy exchange modelling (UMR)
- T2.3 → Kiln overall simulation (UMR)
- T2.4 → Kiln control algorithm and tool (SYNESIS)



# WP2 - Kiln modelling simulat. and control

The WP2 will involve the following kiln area/areas:



# WP3 - Heat Pipes & Waste Heat Recovery

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The WP3 are subdivided into the following task:

- T3.1 → Thermal and chemical characterize./analysis (BRUNEL)
- T3.2 → Modelling design and optimiz. of a Lab-scale HPAP (BRUNEL)
- T2.3 → Manufacture and validation of full-scale HPAP (ECONOTHERM)

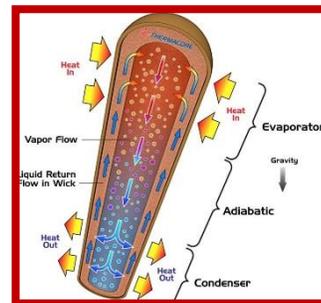


# WP3 - Heat Pipes & Waste Heat Recovery

WP3 will involve the following kiln area/areas:

Entrance

Exit



Full-scale HPAP



Slow Cooling



# WP4 - Innovative solution for Refractory Materials

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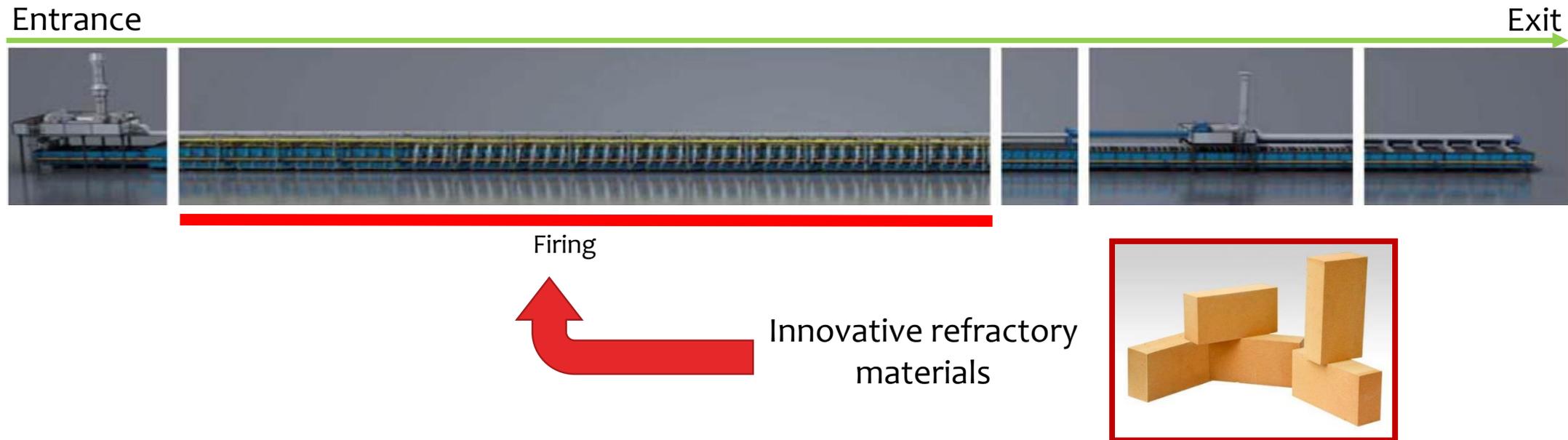
WP4 are subdivided into the following task:

- T4.1 → Innovative refractory materials with reduced heat transfer within the materials (RATH)
- T4.2 → Innovative refractory materials with reduced heat transfer from the kiln atmosph. into the refractory materials (FGF)



# WP4 - Innovative solution for Refractory Materials

WP4 will involve the following kiln area/areas:



# WP5 - Emission monitoring and abatement

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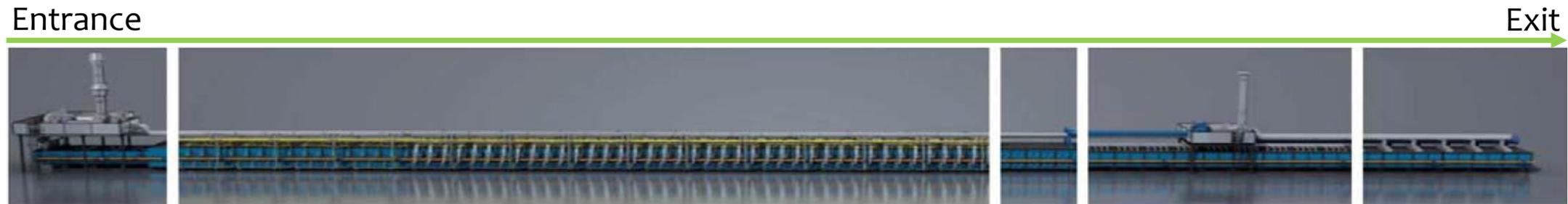
WP5 is subdivided into the following task:

- T5.1 → Development of emissions control strategy (ITC)
- T5.2 → Research and Develop. of Integrated pollutants Abatement system (ITC)
- T5.3 → Abatement of combustion-associated pollutant through Fine tuning of Kiln (ITC)



# WP5 - Emission monitoring and abatement

WP5 will involve the following kiln area/areas:



Pre-heating

Firing



- Emission control system
- Integrated pollutants Abatement system
- Fine tuning of the kiln



# WP6 - Demonstration

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WP6 is subdivided into the following tasks:

- T6.0 → Requirements (CRIT)
- T6.1 → Demonstrator 1 - Retrofitting (KERABEN)
- T6.2 → Demonstrator 2 - Retrofitting (MIRAGE)
- T6.3 → Demonstrator 3 – Pilot Kiln (SACMI)
- T6.4 → LCA–LCC analysis (SYNESIS)

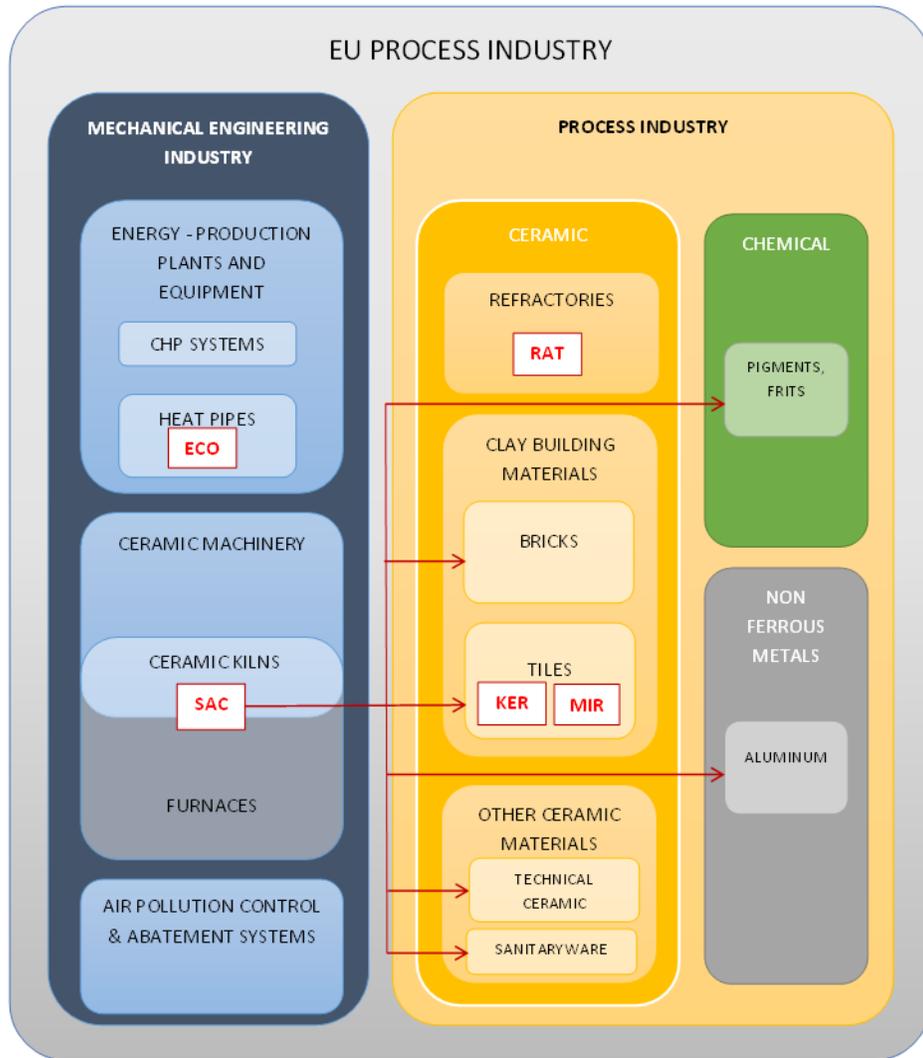


# WP7 - Dissemination

“To ensure that the DREAM results are adequately promoted and exploited with the widest possible horizon”

WP7 is subdivided into the following tasks:

- T7.1 → Dissemination of project results (**CRIT**)
- T7.2 → Exploitation and IPR Management (**SACMI**)
- T7.3 → Market replication (**CRIT**)



Market replication vision



# Thank you for your attention !!!

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