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Renewable and non conventional sources of electrical energy

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Language :	Français
Place of the course	Louvain-la-Neuve
Inline resources:	Moodle > http://moodleucl.uclouvain.be/course/view.php?id=5343
Prerequisites :	None
Main themes :	Generalities about electrical energy supply Renewable energy: solar photovoltaic, solar thermal, wind, marine Storage of electrical energy Thermoelectric conversion Magnetocaloric conversion Fuel Cells
Aims:	In view of the LO reference frame of the EPL programs, this course contributes to the development, acquisition and evaluation of the following learning outcomes: AA1.1, AA1.2, AA1.3, AA2.1, AA2.2, AA3.1, AA3.2, AA5.3, AA5.4 AA6.1, AA6.2, AA6.3 Specifically, at the end of the course, students will be able to: Discuss the place of electricity in the general frame of energy resources; Do the preliminary sizing of a power generation facility based on the exploitation of renewable resources (eg photovoltaic); Model the components of a photovoltaic system (autonomous or connected to an electric power grid: modules, power electronic converters, batteries, regulators, auxiliaries) towards its simulation and optimization; Understand the operation of wind turbines and their operating issues; Understand how marine energy converters and systems work; Understand the energy management and power systems problems linked to the penetration of renewable energy; Understand the principles of thermoelectric and magnetocaloric conversion; Address technical and specialized literature on all these topics. The contribution of this Teaching Unit to the development and command of the skills and learning outcomes of the programme(s) can be accessed at the end of this sheet, in the section entitled "Programmes/courses offering this Teaching Unit".
Evaluation methods : Teaching methods :	Students are assessed during an oral examination, for which they can have the courses and their personal notes supports. Exercises (with reports subject to evaluation during the semester) are taken into account for the final grade. The course consists of lectures that aim to describe the general context, the main concepts, the physical principles involved, the models, the methods of calculation and assessment as well as to provide comments on certain specific technology information. Numerical application exercises (problems) are proposed. Course participants are invited to propose solutions and provide reports in groups of two or three people. These reports are evaluated and discussed. A laboratory is organized on the theme of thermoelectricity
Content :	-

	Introduction: energy context
	Introduction to photovoltaic solar: preliminary design of a system (autonomous or connected to the power distribution grid)
	Aspects of the behaviour of photovoltaic systems in real conditions
	Characterization and modelling of photovoltaic modules
	Interfaces for photovoltaic modules
	Characterization of irradiance, sky modelling
	Introduction to solar thermal energy
	Introduction to wind turbines; mechanical and electrical aspects (types of generators and grid connection, specific problems)
	Introduction to marine energy conversion technologies (tidal power, wave power, tidal current energy, osmotic power)
	Energy storage techniques in the context of the exploitation of renewable energy sources
	Introduction to the thermoelectric effect
	Implementation of thermoelectric converters
	Magnetocaloric effect
	Implementation outlook of the magnetocaloric effect
	Introduction to fuel cells
Bibliography:	 Copy of the slides
	Reference textbooks (e-version) available at the university library
	Additional documentation
Other infos :	According to the opportunities and practical availability, the course can be completed by technical visits and / or seminars given by experts from industry
Cycle and year of study:	Master [120] in Electrical Engineering Master [120] in Physical Engineering Master [120] in Chemical and Materials Engineering
Faculty or entity in charge:	ELEC