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Hydropower plants

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Language :	English				
Place of the course	Louvain-la-Neuve				
Prerequisites	Basic knowledge of fluid mechanics as taught in LGCIV1051 or LMECA1321				
Main themes	 Hydropower in the global context of energy Identification of exploitable sites Principles of hydraulic machinery and pre-design of turbines Hydraulic transients and surge tanks Local production and use of hydropower in developing countries 				
Learning outcomes	At the end of this learning unit, the student is able to: Contribution to the acquisition and evaluation of the following learning outcomes of the programme in civil engineering: AA1.2, AA1.3, AA2.1, AA2.2, AA4.1 More specifically, at the end of the course, the student will be able to: Identify and characterize exploitable sites Design a multipurpose installation Design penstocks and surge tanks Understand the choice of the turbines and their consequences Transversal learning outcomes: discuss the question of energy, and in particular renewable energy, in the world				
Evaluation methods	Oral examination				
Teaching methods	Ex-cathedra teaching with examples of practical cases				
Content	1. Hydropower in the world: past, present and future • Selection criteria for exploitable sites • Definiton of the potential of a given site • Geological and hydrogeological context 2. Hydraulics and and hydropower: • Fundamental notions: energy, efficiency, momentum • Headlosses in the hydraulic circuit • Water hammer and penstocks • Surge tanks 3. Hydraulic turbines: • Classification and general design • Similitude and specific turbine • General design of a hydropower plant 4. Alternator and power regulation 5. Micro-hydropower, hydropower in developing countries 6. Economical aspects				
Inline resources	Available on Moodle				
Other infos	While oriented toward civil engineering design of hydropower plants, the course is open to students of other disciplines				

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Programmes containing this learning unit (UE)							
Program title	Acronym	Credits	Prerequisite	Learning outcomes			
Master [120] in Civil Engineering	GCE2M	3		Q			
Master [120] in Architecture and Engineering	ARCH2M	3		٩			