

# ENERGETICS

## DENERG/SHELL - Optimal heat-transfer strategies, dynamic integration and cost–performance trade-offs of concentrating solar thermal (CST) H<sub>2</sub>/syngas production

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<b>Context of the research activity</b>	Solar thermochemical fuel production.
<b>Objectives</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>i. Objective 1 – System-level design: Develop and assess alternative system configurations for indirectly heated thermochemical reactors, including HTF selection, heat-transfer strategies, and multi-reactor operation.</li><li>ii. Objective 2 – Energy integration and optimization: Create operating and control strategies enabling continuous hydrogen production under transient solar conditions.</li><li>iii. Objective 3 – Techno-economic feasibility: Produce detailed cost models, sensitivity analyses, and pathways toward scalable, dispatchable solar thermochemical fuel processes.</li></ul>
<b>Skills and competencies for the development of the activity</b>	Modeling of balance of plant structures for Chemical Looping. Techno-economic analysis.