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# RFB activities within IEC TC 105

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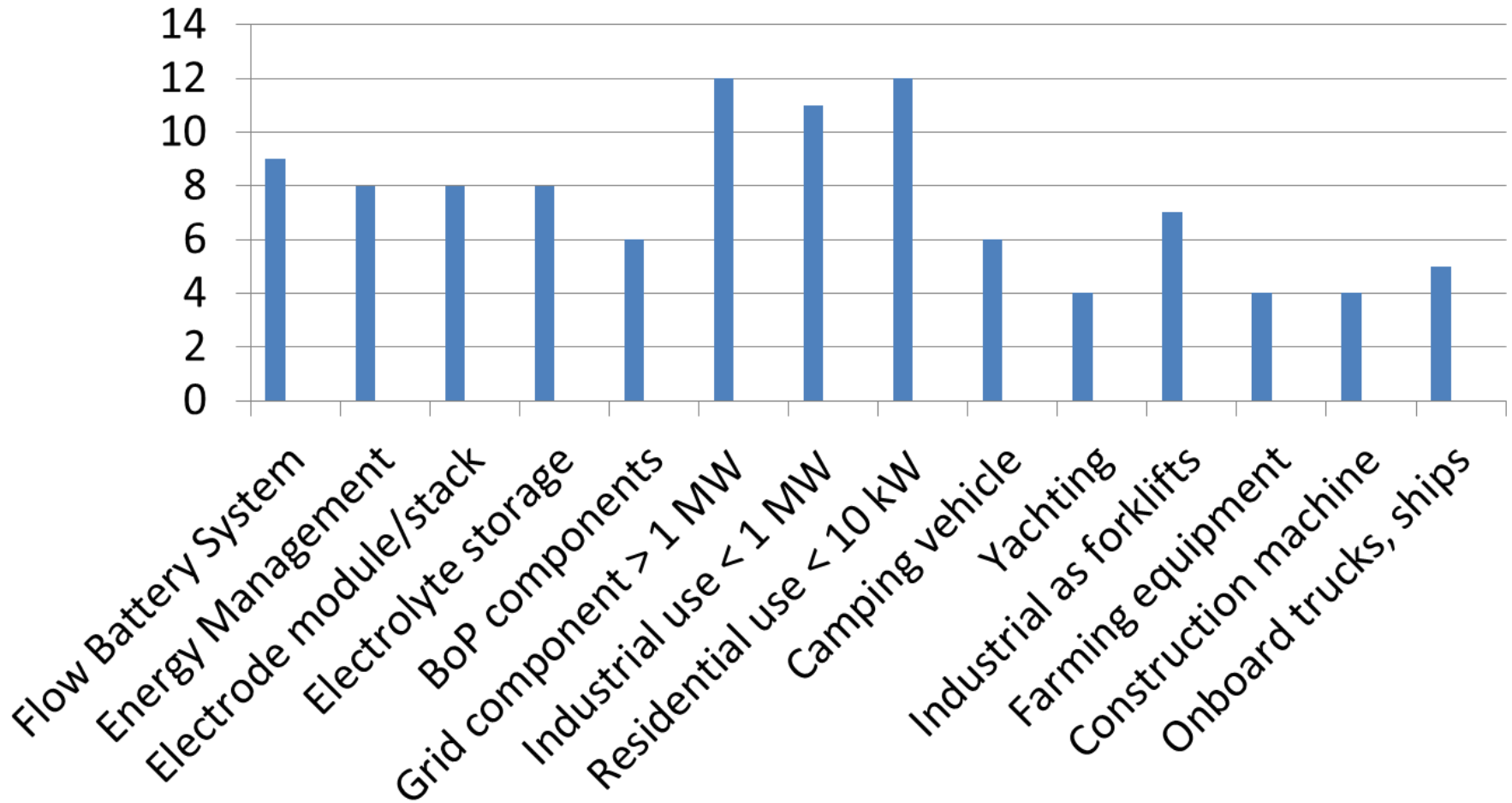
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# Decision of NCs

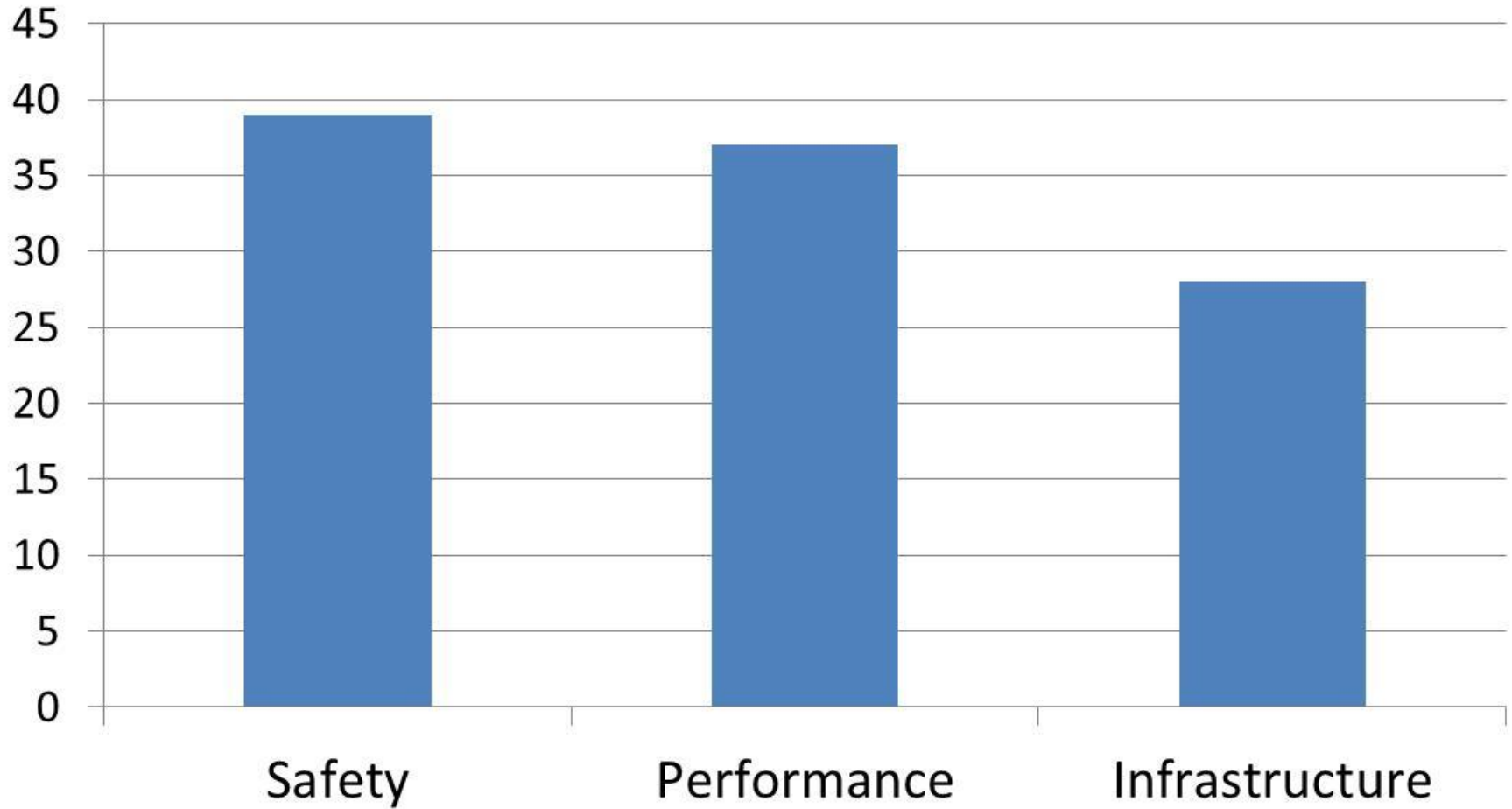
## Forming Study Group on Flow Batteries

Country	Yes	No	Abstain
Canada		x	
China	x		
Czech Republic			x
Denmark	x		
Egypt	x		
Germany	x		
Greece			
Italy	x		
Japan		x	
Korea (Rep. of)	x		
Netherlands			
Spain	x		
U.S.A.	x		

# Demand by technology



# Demand by fields



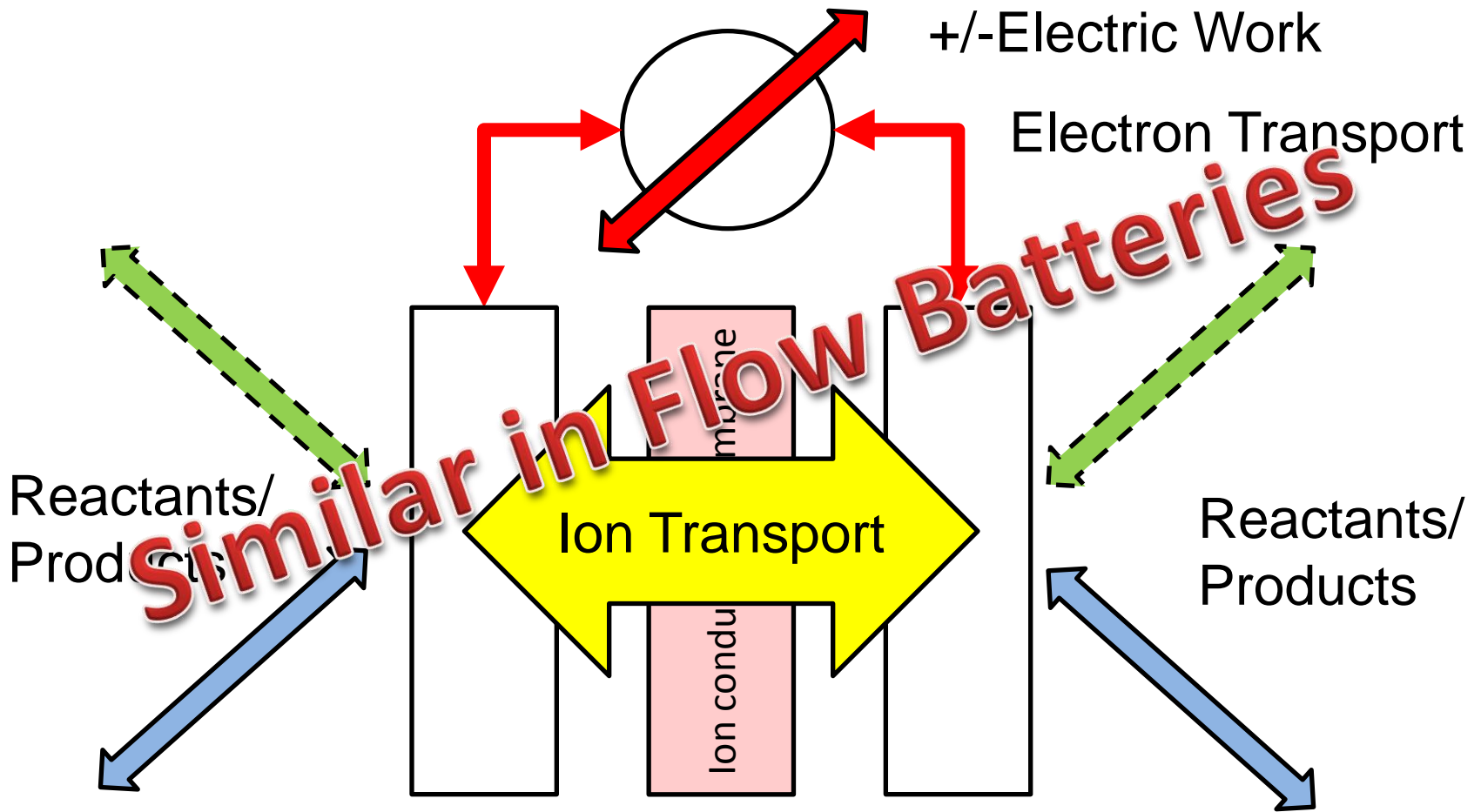
# **Study on the Development of International Standards in the Field of Flow Battery Systems**

## **Content of Work 1st Draft Overview**

- 1. Introduction**
- 2. Process Technology of Flow Batteries**
- 3. Realization and Pilot Plants**
- 4. Safety of Plants**
- 5. Installation and Infrastructure**
- 6. Performance and Standardization**
- 7. Identified Standardization Needs and Proposed Strategy**

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# Fuel Cell Process Principle



Electrodes are not changed by electrochemical reactions

# Electrochemical devices

Reaction Progress

Secondary cell  
 $\text{SoC} = \text{SoC}(t)$   
 $y_i = y_i(t)$

Regenerative  
Heat exchanger

Electrochemical  
Process

Thermal  
Engineering

Fuel cell  
 $U_f = U_f(x)$   
 $y_i = y_i(x)$

Recuperative  
Heat exchanger

# Electrochemical devices

Reaction Progress

Secondary cell  
 $\text{SoC} = \text{SoC}(t)$   
 $y_i = y_i(t)$

No change  
of concentration

$t \rightarrow \infty$

Electrochemical  
Process

Along  
Electrolyte

Reversibility  
Condition

Fuel cell  
 $U_f = U_f(x)$   
 $y_i = y_i(x)$

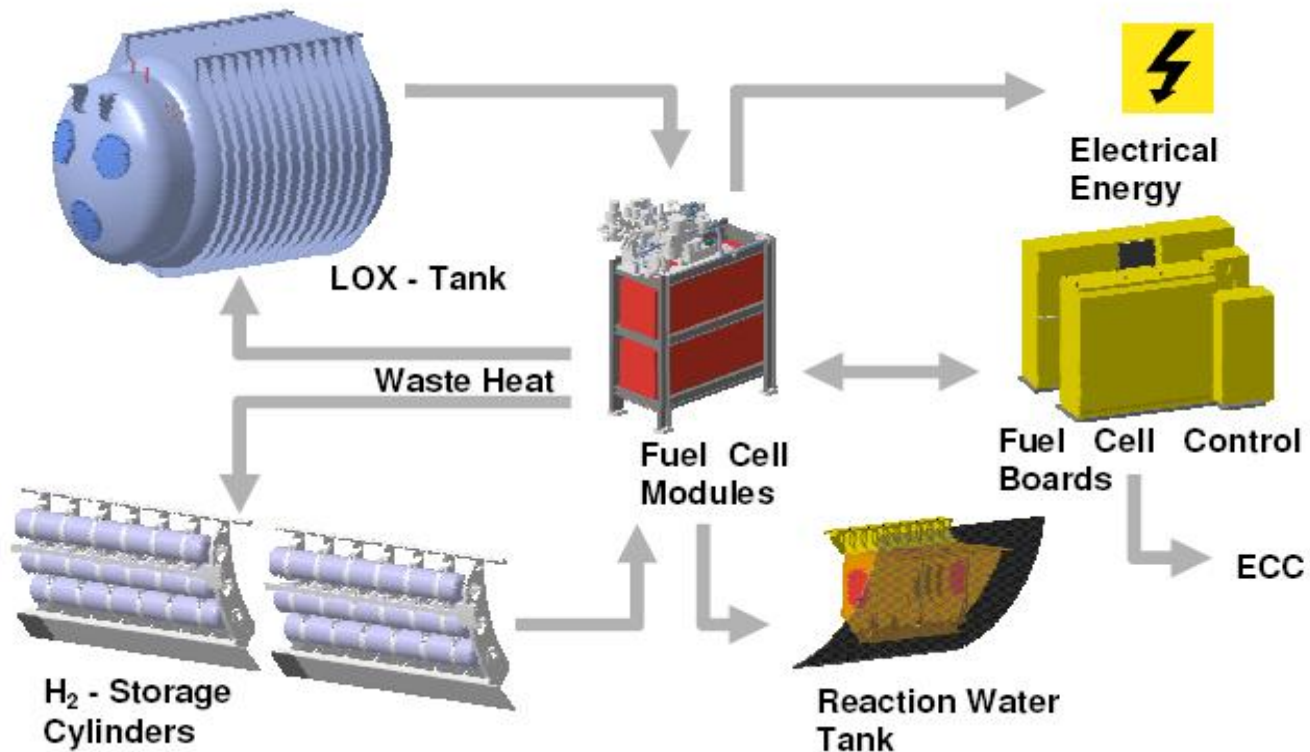
Change of  
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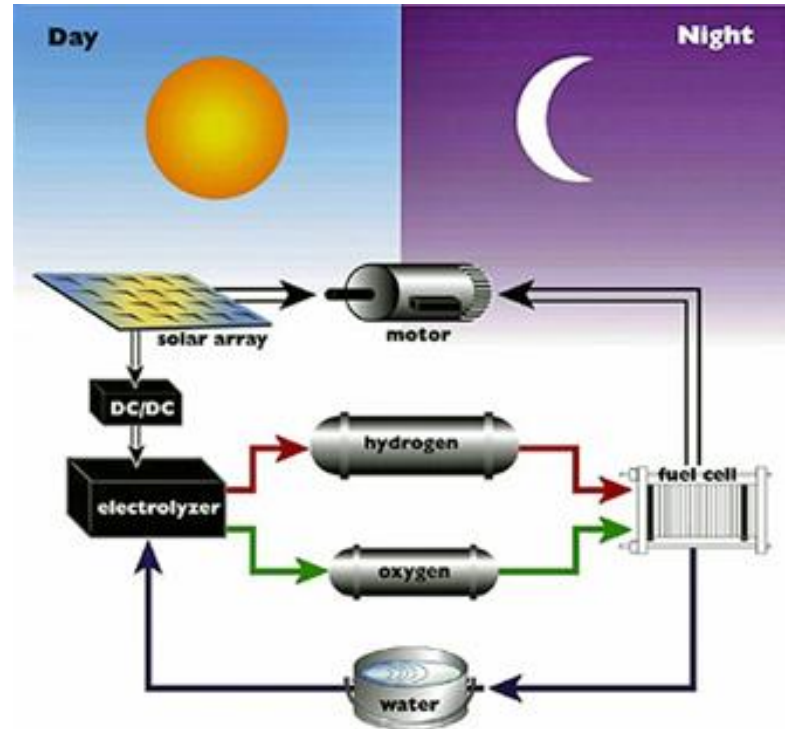
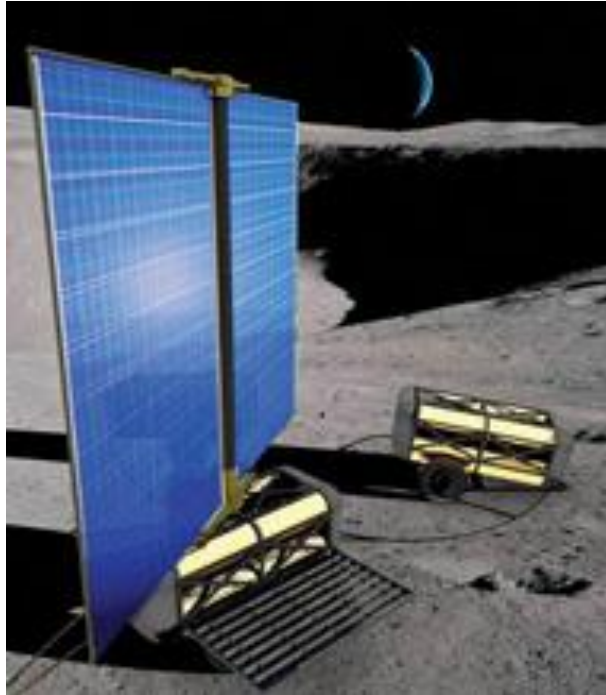
Similar in  
Flow Batteries

# Closed FC Systems I

Propulsion underwater vehicles  
German Submarine 212/214

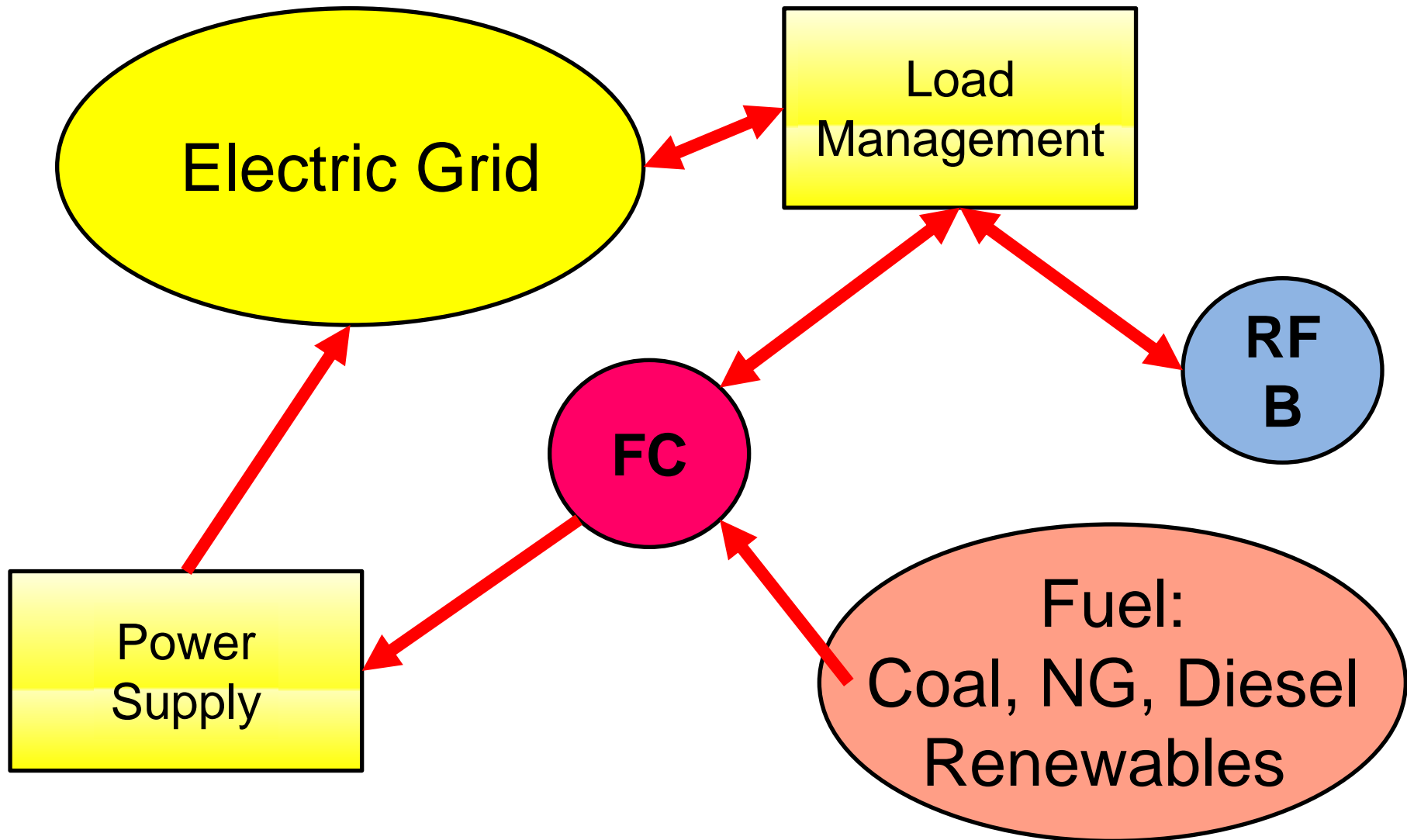


# Closed FC Systems II



The Space Power Pallet will demonstrate a closed cycle hydrogen oxygen RFC. A regenerative fuel cell uses electricity to divide water into hydrogen and oxygen, which are fed back into the fuel cell to produce more electricity. Instead of using oxygen from the air like other regenerative fuel cells, the closed-loop system reuses the oxygen from the water.

# FC and RFB in Electric Grid



# Process Characteristics of Systems

System Characteristic	Fuel Cell	Flow Battery	Secondary Battery
Kind of process	Flow	Flow	Batch
BoP needed	Yes	Yes	No
Ionic transport in membrane	Yes	Yes	
Change of electrodes	No	No	Yes
Reaction progress	$U_f(x)$	SoC(x)	SoC(t)
Open system	Yes	Yes: air/water	No
Closed system	Yes: space/submarines	Yes	Yes

# Application Characteristics of Systems

<b>System Characteristic</b>	<b>Fuel Cell</b>	<b>Flow Battery</b>	<b>Secondary Battery</b>
<b>Stationary Converter</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>Stationary Storage</b>	<b>Yes (Regenerative)</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>Yes (limited)</b>
<b>Mobile Recovery</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Not yet</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Range Extender</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>Potential (Air/Water)</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>Portable</b>	<b>Mission dependent (Wh/kg and Wh/l for all technologies) defined by device plus reactants</b>		

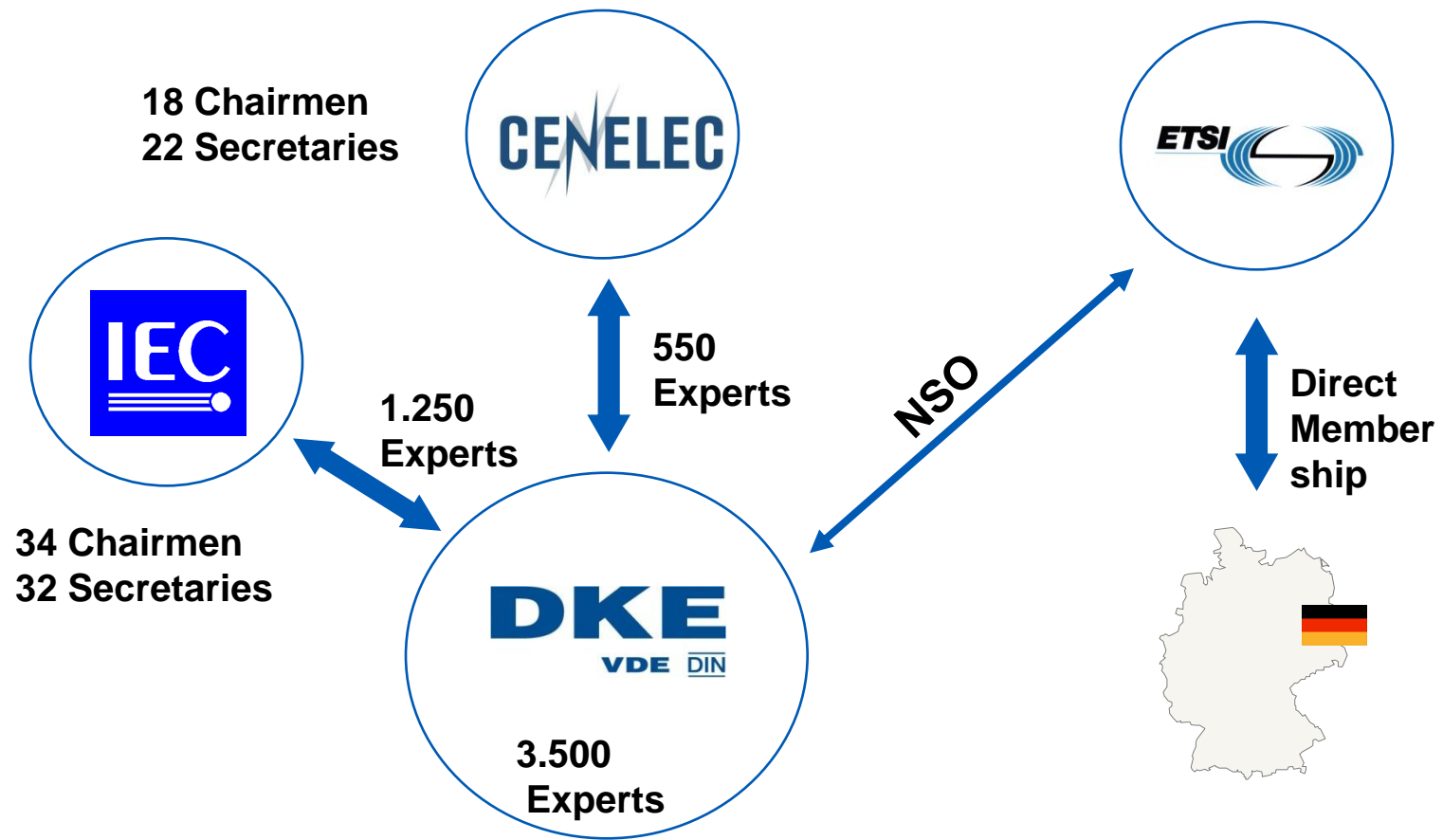
# Requirements of Systems Design

System Design Requirements	Fuel Cell	Flow Battery	Secondary Battery
Needs intelligent liquid management system for operation	Water (PEFC)	x	
Design requires experience in handling explosive gas mixtures and gas/liquid phase transitions	x	H <sub>2</sub> ??	
Design requires experience in handling phase transitions (liquid/solid and liquid/gas) in confined space	Water (PEFC), Direct Coal	x	x
Design requires experience in handling/moving corrosive liquids (chemical engineering approach)	PEFC, MCFC	x	

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# Contribution to standardization work

## National example: Germany



# IEC TC 105 structure

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**Working Group Structure**

**Liaisons :**  
**Internal IEC Liaison : TC 8, TC 31**  
**Liaison ISO : ISO/TC 21, ISO/TC 22, ISO/TC 197**  
**Liaison A : EC**

# Working group structure

## Working Group :

- WG 1 - Terminology
- WG 2 - Fuel cell modules
- WG 3 - Stationary fuel cell power systems - Safety
- WG 4 - Performance of Fuel Cell Power Systems
- WG 5 - Stationary Fuel Cell Power Systems - Installation
- WG 6 - Fuel cell system for propulsion and auxiliary power units (APU)
- WG 7 - Portable fuel cell power systems - Safety
- WG 8 - Micro fuel cell power systems - Safety
- WG 9 - Micro fuel cell power systems - Performance
- WG 10 - Micro fuel cell power systems - Interchangeability
- WG 11 - Fuel cell technologies - Part 7-1: Single Cell Test Method for Polymer Electrolyte Fuel Cell (PEFC)

## Advisory Group :

- AG 12 - CAG - Chairmen's Advisory Group

## ad-Hoc Group :

- AHG 1 - Identification of the market needs for standardization work on fuel cell systems for propulsion and auxiliary power units
- AHG 2 - Development of guidelines for the use by all WGs in view of harmonizing the requirements concerning safety aspects with respect to explosion