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# Short Introduction of ZSW – Electrochemical Energy Technologies Division, Ulm

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DOLPHIN 1<sup>st</sup> Public Workshop





## **ZSW INTRODUCTION**



### **ZSW – At a Glance**

#### A non-profit organization - 300 employees - 85% external funding

#### **Applied Research & Development on New Energy Technologies:**

- Batteries & Supercapacitors: materials, production technologies, systems, qualification
- Fuel Cells: technology, systems, production technologies, test-center
- Photovoltaic: thin film technologies (CIGS) & application systems
- Renewable Fuels: power-to-gas, biomass gasification
- Energy politics & economics, wind energy





### **ZSW Locations**





## Hydrogen & Fuel Cells

- Catalysts & Membrane-Electrode-Assemblies (MEAs)
- Stack-technology, modelling and simulation, stack integration
- Fuel cell test centre & fuel cell systems
- Electrolysis & hydrogen for mobility
- New energy storage concepts







#### HyFaB-Building - Lise-Meitner-Straße - Ulm Construction in 2021

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**EXCLUSION** 

- Open source manufacturing platform
- Development of high-speed manufacturing processes
- Establishing of quality processes
- Know-how generation, training
- Support of automotive industry
- Enabler for small and mid-size enterprises



### **Fuel Cell Stack Development and Manufacturing**

- Component characterization laboratory
- CAD construction and CFD & FEM modelling for components, cells and stacks
- Innovative joining technologies and manufacturing processes
- Robot based stack assembly and testing
- Stack power range from 50 W up to 100 kW
- Experience with more than 1,200 fuel cell stacks



Components Quality assurance



Automated seals applying with dispenser



Robot based stack assembly and testing



## **Fuel Cell Test Centre**

- Full-size automotive stacks and systems (from Milliwatt to 160 kW)
- 34 fully automated, 24/7-operation fuel-cell test benches
- Covering full DIN IEC 62282-2 test regimen
- Accelerated aging tests
- Wide range of reactant supply lines (H<sub>2</sub>/O<sub>2</sub>, H<sub>2</sub>/Air, Reformate/Air)
- 25+ years of test experience, 250 kg Hydrogen storage capacity
- Pollutant gas tests



100 kW automotive fuel cell stack on ZSW test bench







## **ZSW CONTRIBUTION TO DOLPHIN**



## **ZSW Contribution to DOLPHIN**

- CFD modelling including electrochemical reactions and all other relevant processes
- Contribution to component, cell and stack designs
- Contribution to laser milling and additive manufacturing technology pathways
- MPL / protective diffusion layer development
- Contribution to single cell and stack assembly and testing
- Contribution to cost analysis tasks
- Dissemination and communication activities



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