

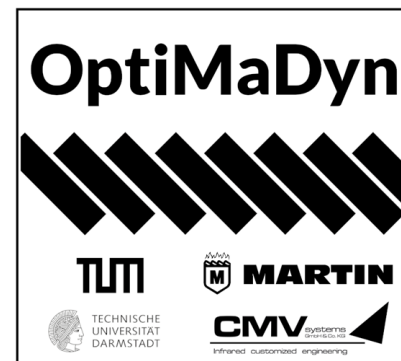


# Dynamic simulation and optimization of a waste incineration plant



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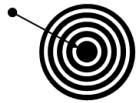
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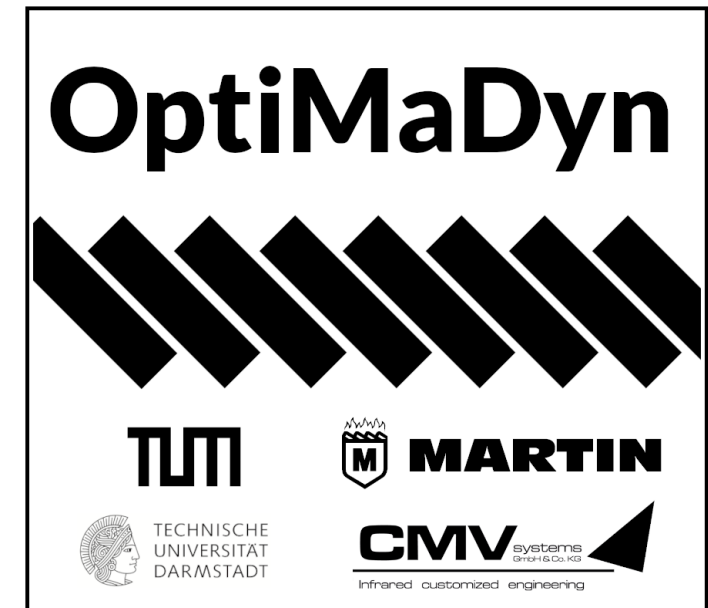
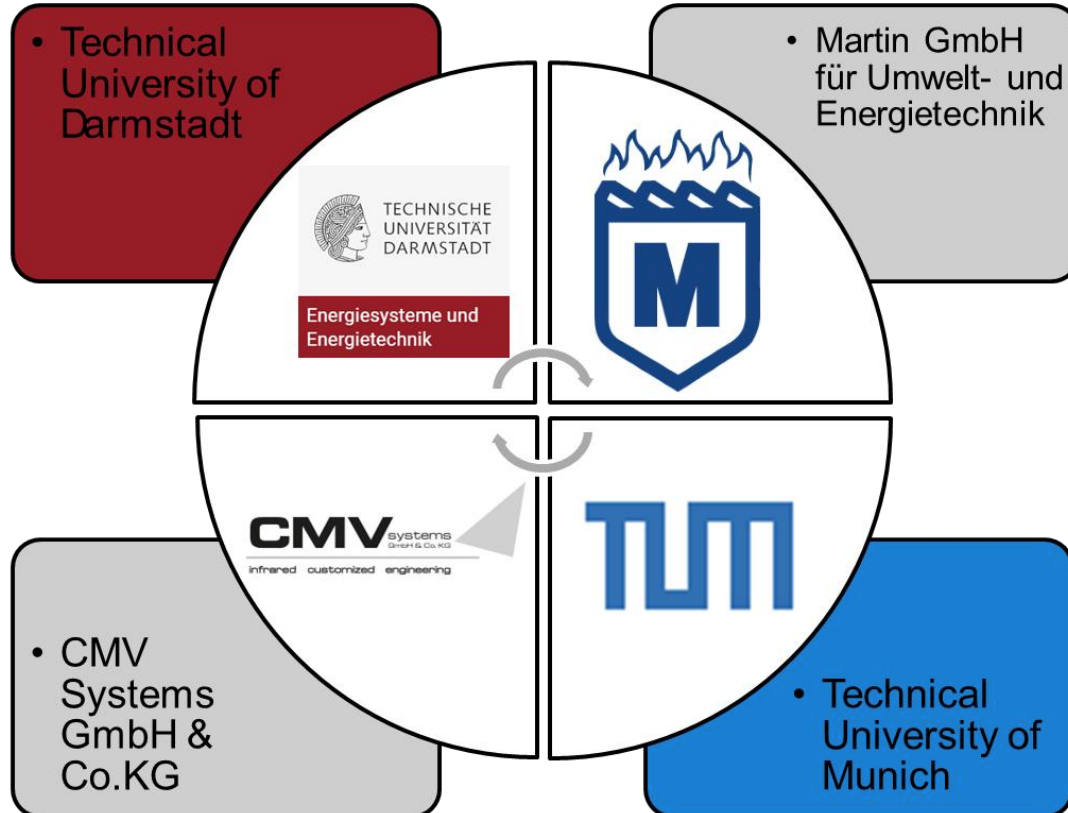
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# Optimization of the Control Structures of Waste Incinerators through Dynamic Process Modelling and the Use of Innovative Monitoring Methods

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# ➔ Motivation

## Energy System

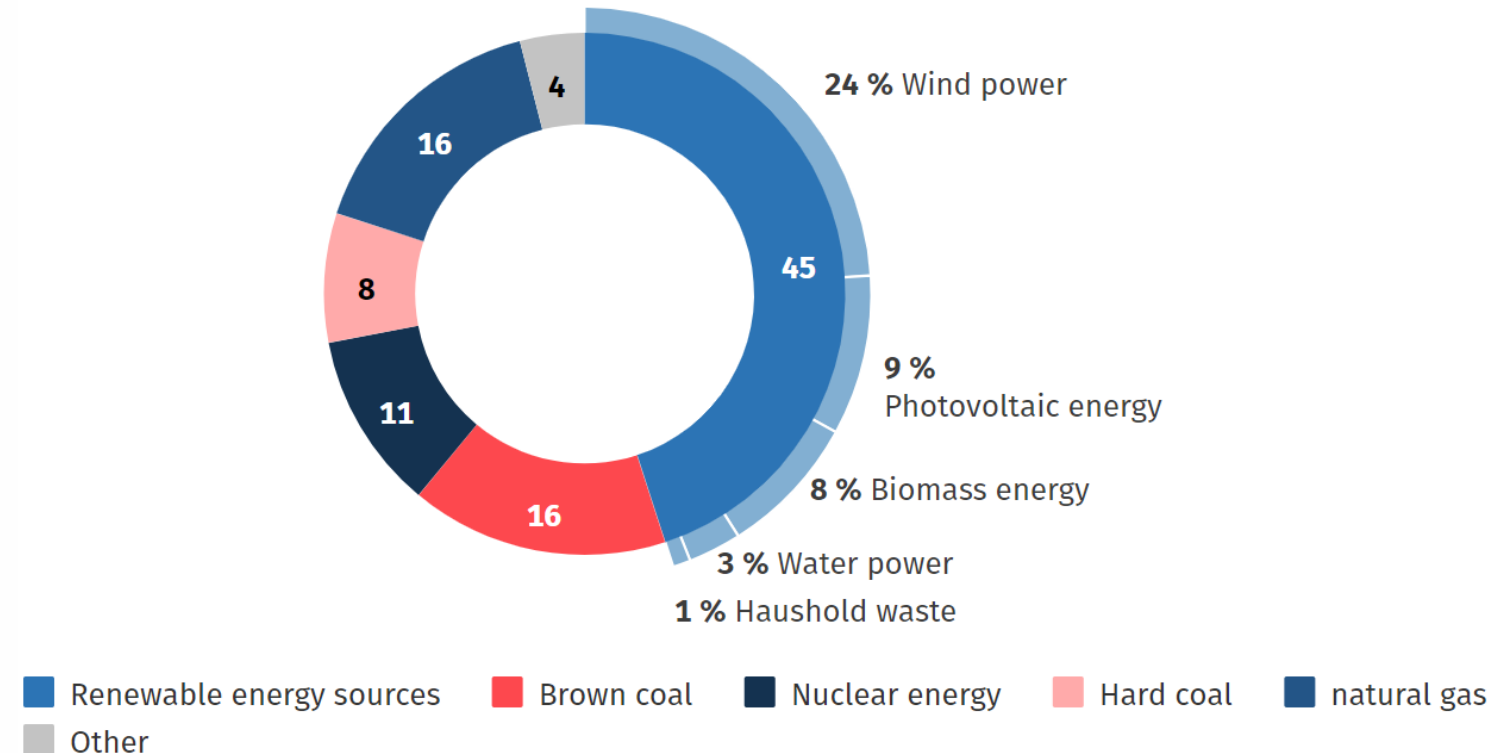
- Growing amount of renewable energy sources
- Operating reserve (control power) is mainly supplied by conventional power plants

## State of the art WIP

- Waste incineration plants (WIP) run at full load (electricity is byproduct)
- Dynamic of Waste Incineration plants is very important in this use case
- Large dead times waste → energy

## Gross electricity production 2020

in %, total kWh 567 bn





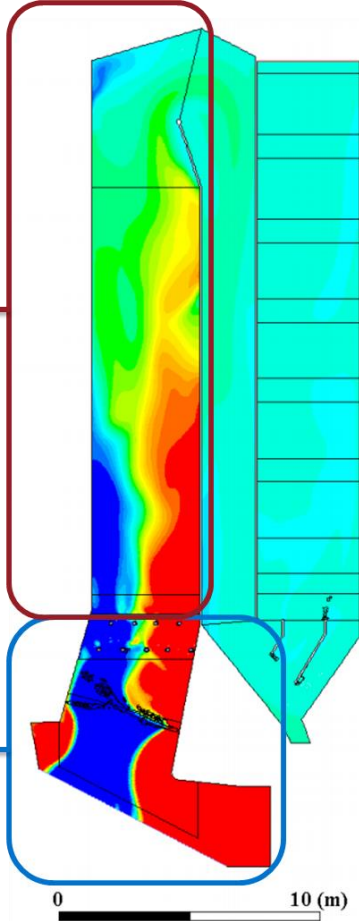
# Goals of the Project

- Goal
  - » Investigating the basics for the supply of operating reserve
- Partial goals:
  - » Increase of **load stability** and **flexibility**
  - » Fulfill the **emission limits**
  - » Improving the system understanding of the **dynamics in waste incineration plants**

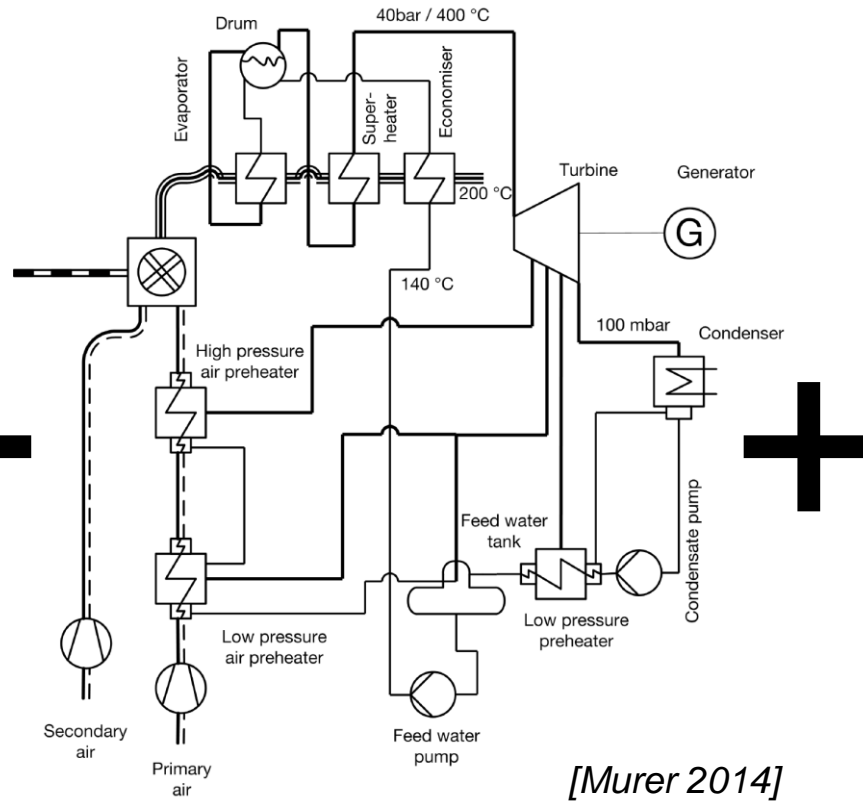


# Methods

## CFD+DEM Simulation



## Dynamic Process Simulation



## Measurement Campaign



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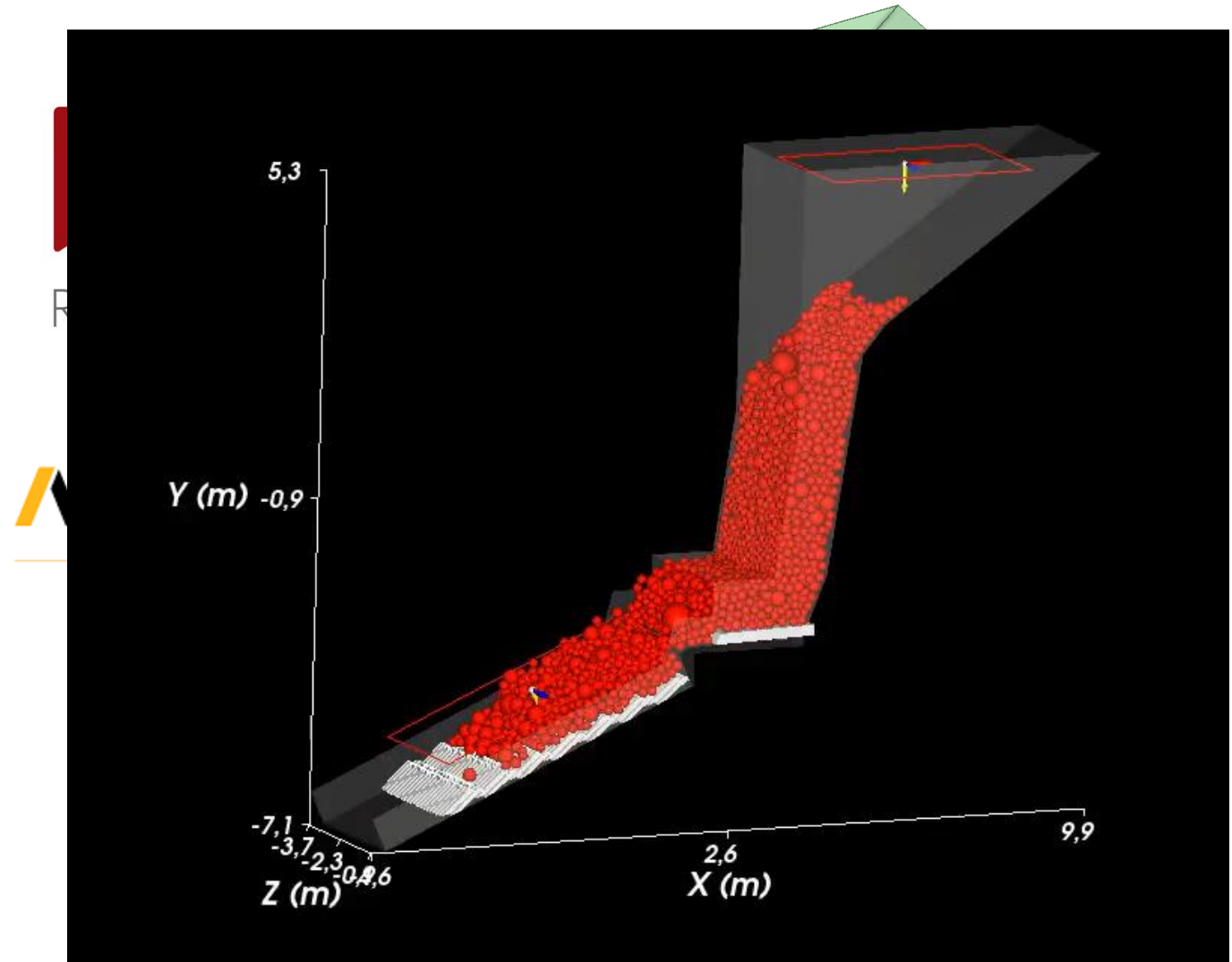
# CFD+DEM

## Discrete Element Method (DEM)

- Simulation Software: Ansys Rocky
- Investigation of waste feeding

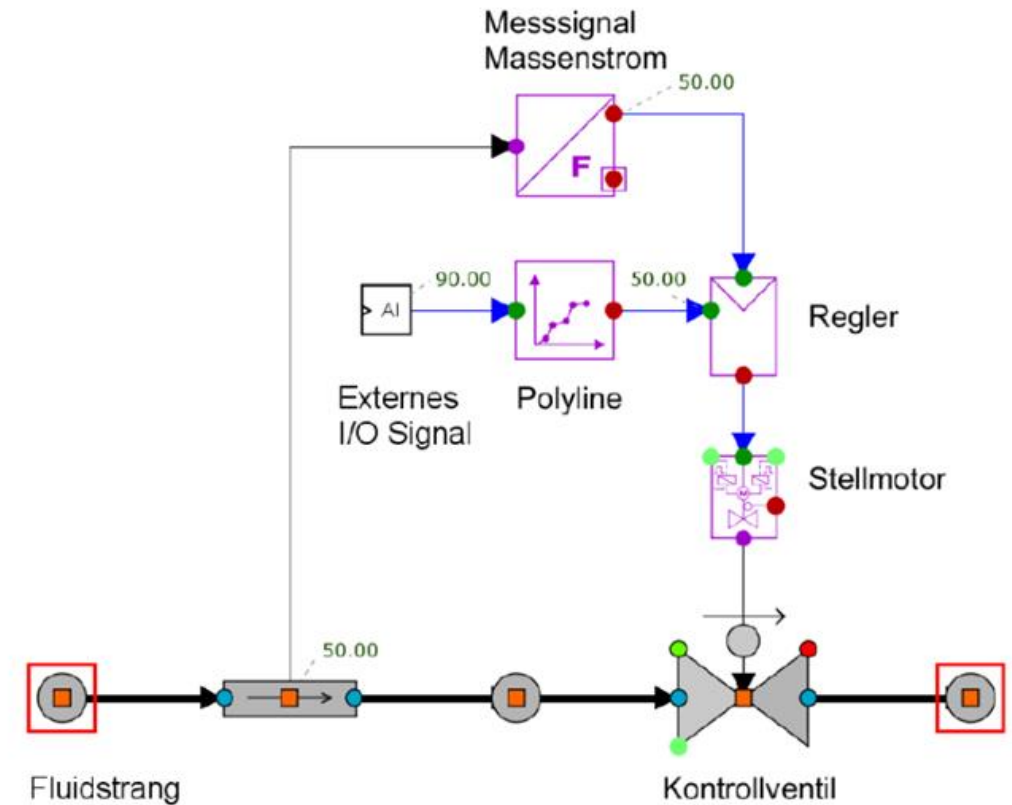
## Computational Fluid Dynamics (CFD)

- Simulation Software: Ansys Fluent
- Simulation of combustion reactions
- Calculation of heat transfer
- Investigation of corrosion



# Dynamic Process Simulation

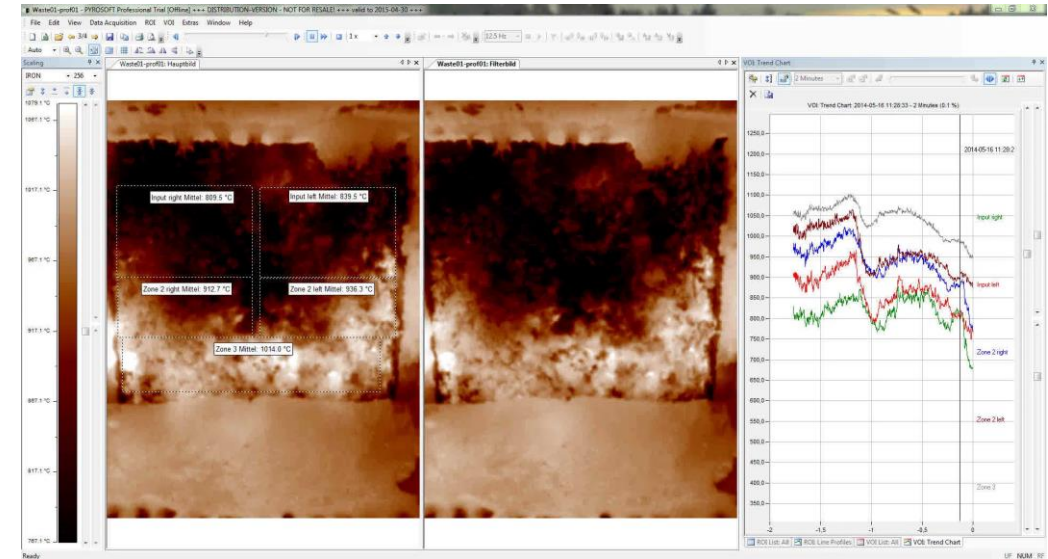
- Software: Apros **Apros**
- Modelling of the process and the control system
- Validation of the model using data from measurement campaigns
- current status:
  - » Model of the reference plant is running
  - » first validation with measurement data





# Measurement Campaigns

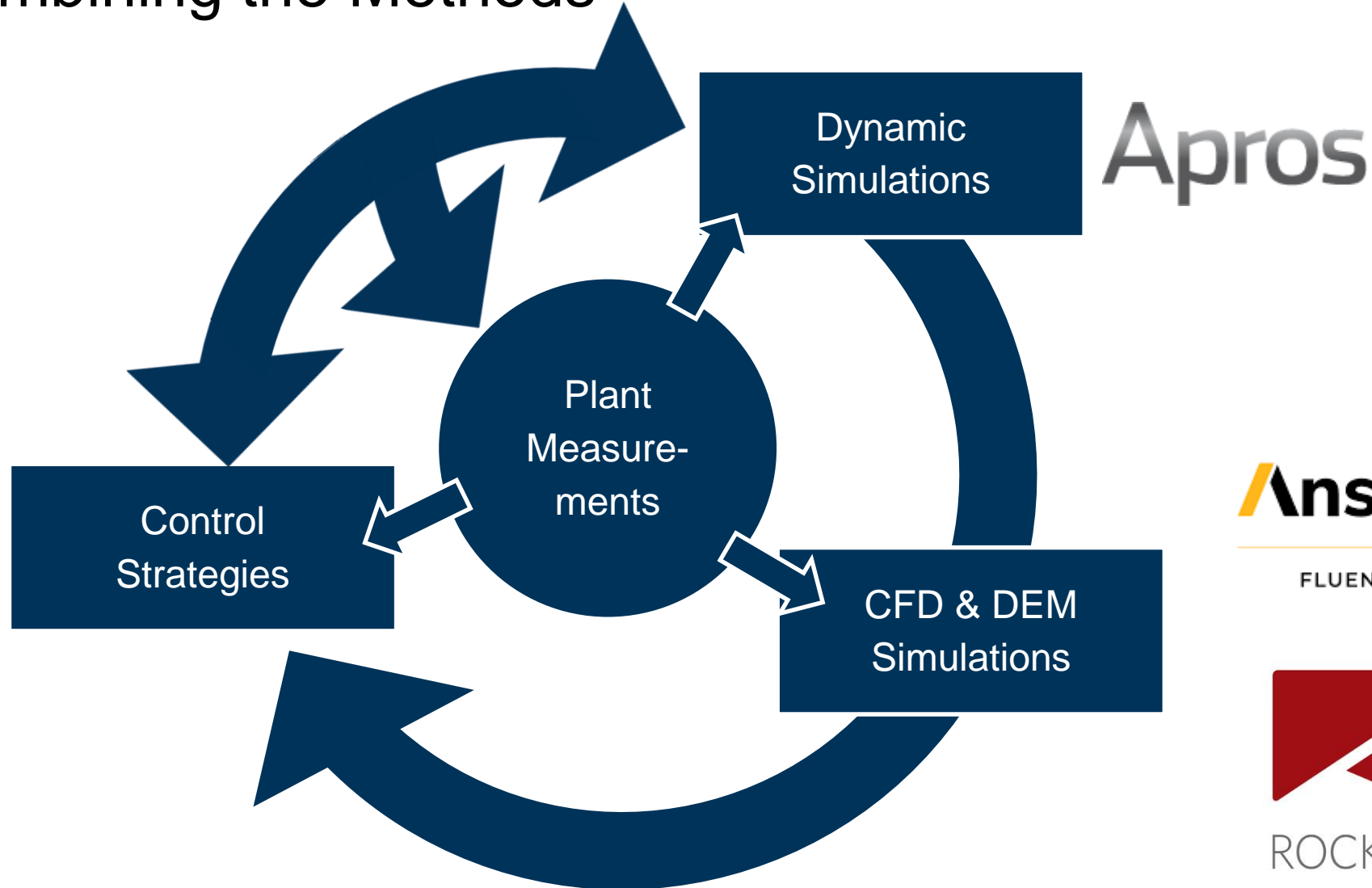
- Two measurement campaigns during the project
  1. Before Optimizations: Collecting data for model validation
  2. After Optimization: Investigate benefits
- Installation of additional measurement equipment
  - » Infrared camera to measure the temperature distribution on the grate
  - » Temperature Sensors / Pyrometers to measure the flue gas temperature
  - » Online Corrosion measurement to analyze corrosion in different operation points
- Measurement of the dynamic system behavior based on defined load changes



*Online monitoring of fire grate [CMV Systems GmbH]*



# Combining the Methods



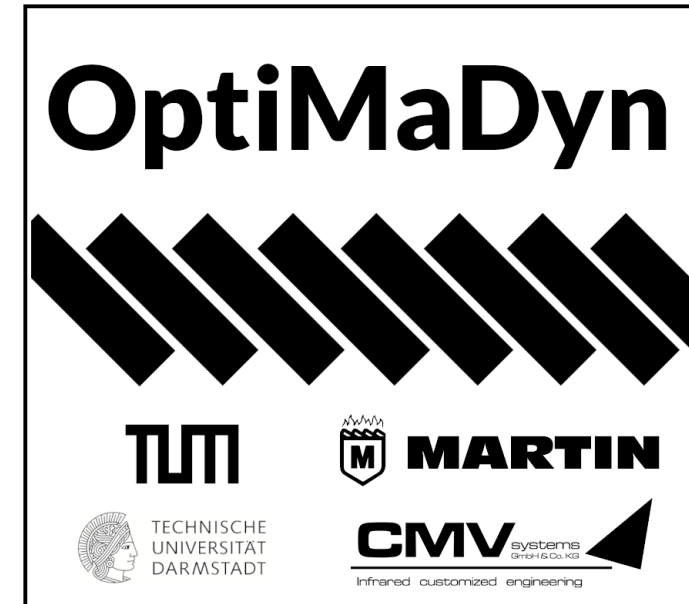


## Conclusion and Outlook

- Dynamic operation of waste incineration plants will be important for the future energy system
- This project investigates the dynamics of waste incinerators
- Development of modern control strategies
  - » Reduction of dead times during control
  - » Increasing the dynamics of MVAs
  - » Improvement of the control quality of MVAs

### Outlook:

- Measurement campaigns will start soon
- Full validation of different models
- Optimizations will be implemented in reference plant



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