

# Forsnetics

Magnetic Thrust Bearings for Hydropower Generators



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Is a spin off from the hydroelectric mechanical energy storage **HYMES** innovation project



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- Professor in Electricity
- Expert in Hydropower systems
- Taken product to full scale at hydropower station
- Actively pursuing the use of novel ideas in the industry



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Business Development

- Former strategy consultant at Accenture
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# Why are thrust bearings critical today?

## Bearings have to operate in tougher conditions

- **Integration of wind and solar power:**  
More start and stop operations.
- **Pump storage stations:**  
Bi-directional operation, High speed & pressure
- **Environmental regulations:**  
Oil free stations.

## Thrust bearing failure has major economic effects

- **Insufficient reliability, inevitable failure:**  
The loss in production from an unexpected stop costs around €6 million for a 100 MW station

## Magnetic thrust bearings are a clear solution, as they offer

- Increased reliability
- Loss reduction
- Cost efficiency
- Environmental superiority

We have developed the next generation of magnetic thrust bearings

Our technology  
is developed to  
respond to these  
drivers

### Increased Reliability

- ✓ The goal is to eliminate thrust bearing failures.

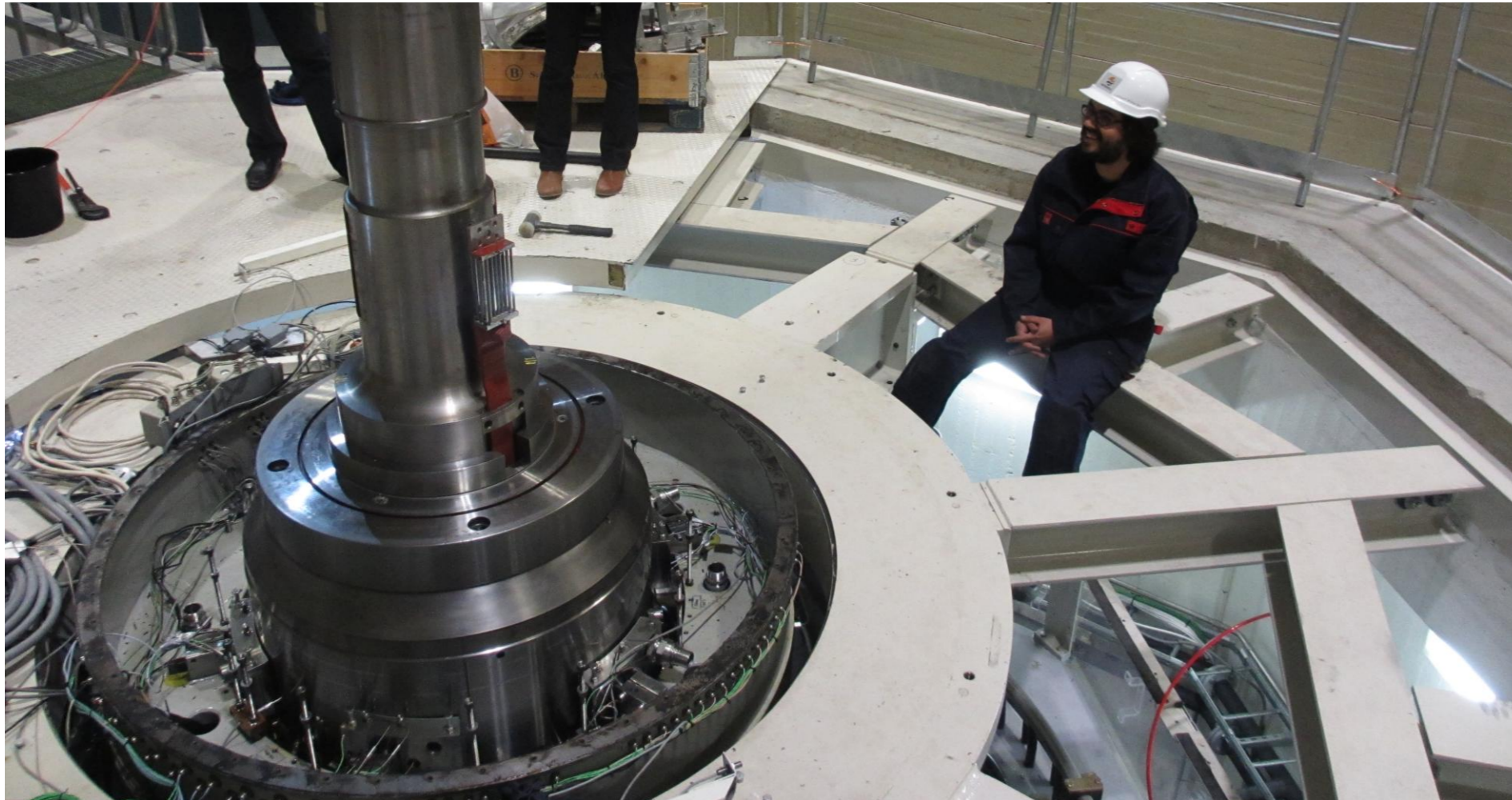
### Economic reduction of losses

- ✓ Our system offers an attractive ROI.

### Oil free stations

- ✓ With programmable damping we enable oil free stations.

# Magnetic Thrust Bearing Demonstration Project



Porjus U9 – 9.3 MW, 600 rpm, Kaplan, 150 T

The station is owned by  
the Porjus Foundation:



We are upgrading the machine to be the most efficient hydropower generator in the world.

# Business model



## Summary







- Forsnetics delivers magnetic thrust bearings for the hydropower industry.
- The technology enables oil free stations and increased reliability at an investment that is covered from the savings provided due to the reduction of losses in the hydropower stations.

### We offer

- Lower friction in hydropower generators
- Reduced risk of expensive stops in production
- Enable 100% oil free stations

Market  
potential for  
initial product:  
**31 M€**

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