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The role of green HDD for pipeline and power grid construction

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PIPELINE AND UNDERGROUND CABLE INSTALLATION

Main energy sources for sustainable energy transition



TRANSMISSION GRID EXPANSION REQUIRED

PIPELINE AND UNDERGROUND CABLE INSTALLATION

Different purpose – same challenges for landfalls, crossings and cross-country installations



Offshore-Onshore Connections / Landfalls

Cross-country installations with minimum disruption Crossing of obstacles, e.g. waterways and traffic routes

SUSTAINABLE EXPANSION OF POWER GRIDS AND PIPELINE NETWORKS

	Tunnelling	Direct Pipe [®]	E-Power Pipe®	HDD
Installation of pipeline / protective pipe			000 00	
	Indirect Cables in tunnel	One-step Steel casing	Two-stage HDPE single casings or bundle, steel casing	Multi-stage Cable bundle or steel casing
Diameter	> 10" / 254 mm Ø tunnel (ID)	24–60″ 610–1,524 mm	10–28″ 254–711mm	10–60″ 254–1,524 mm
Max. installation length	10 km	2 km	2 km	5 km

* The information in this table is intended as an initial guideline; the parameters may vary depending on the project.

SMALL-DIAMETER TUNNELLING MACHINE RANGE



DIRECT PIPE® TECHNOLOGY

24" up to 60" steel pipeline installations

- + One-pass installation
- min. frac out risk | borehole supported



E-POWER PIPE® TECHNOLOGY



Two-step installation of HDPE protective pipe or small-diameter pipelines



TRENDS IN HDD PROJECTS

- **GREENER** operation
 - >> all-electric HDD Rigs to use renewable energies
 - >> Minimize frac-out risks with smart tooling concepts
- > Focus of the drilling industry on grid construction
- Smaller drilling diameters in grid construction \rightarrow Smaller HDD Rigs



HDD RIG RANGE AND EQUIPMENT



HDD RIG RANGE AND POWER SOURCES



HDD RIG RANGE COMPARISON

	CONVENTIONAL HDD RIG	HYBRID HDD RIG	ALL-ELECTRIC HDD RIG
Power source	Generator	Generator / Grid	Generator / Grid
Efficiency	+	+	+++
Emissions / Noise			
Investment Costs			
Maintenance Costs			

HYBRID HDD RIG | HK80CK HYBRID

- > Compact crawler rig with electric engine
- > Small footprint for jobsites in urban areas
- > all components can be mounted directly on the rig
- > Low in emissions and noise



HYBRID RIG HK80CK

Rig

- > Installed power: 324 kW (434 hp)
- > Power transmission: Rack & Pinion
- > Drilling angle: 9°-21°
- > Drill pipe length: 6,000 mm (20 ft)
- > Pipe support system on mast: 2



ALL-ELECTRIC HDD RIG | HK300TE

Rotary drive: Torque: 120 000 Nm Rotation speed: 0-60 rpm Carriage system: Pull force: 3 000kN Push force: 1 000kN Speed: 0 - 35 m/min Breakout unit: Clamping range: 4 – 14 inch Breakout torque: 146 000 Nm Make up torque: 100 000 Nm

ALL-ELECTRIC HDD RIG | HK300TE



SMART GENERATORS FOR OPERATION OF ELECTRIC RIG (HK300TE)



> 30-40%* REDUCTION of FUEL consumption

* rough estimation

HK300TE

- > Electric Motors directly on carriage
- High efficiency by elimination of hydraulic power losses
- > Low in emissions and noise
- High availability: sensitive electronic parts located off the HDD Rig







INSTALLATION OF CABLE BUNDLE WITH HDD

HK250T – 250to Trailer Rig in Denmark

- > H-395, HK250T
- > Crossing of Eastern Limfjord
- > Installation length: **1,551 m**
- > Cutting diameter: 1,200 mm
- bundle 3xDN400 + 1xDN355 (HDPE)
- > Geology: soft soil, dense chalk with flint



- > Client: Energinet, Denmark
- > Contractor: VanLeeuwen Sleufloze Technieken (VLST)



GREENER HDD | MINIMIZING FRAC-OUT RISK

Tooling for HDD



WEEPER SUB

Reduces the risk of frac-outs significantly by gradually increasing the volume flow in the borehole. Less drilling fluid required at the drill bit.

TOOL DATA

> Operation diameter: 8 1/2"-12 1/4"

Adjustable jet volume: 20 gpm – 105 gpm (75 l/min – 400 l/min)

DOWN HOLE

Installed directly behind the Full Face Hole Opener. Cleans the borehole and removes the cuttings directly inside the drill string.

TOOL DATA

- > Operation diameter: 20"-72"
- Operation flow rate: 475 gpm (1,800 l/min) at 65 bar

GREENER HDD | MINIMIZING FRAC-OUT RISK

Tooling concepts for HDD

1 Weeper Subs for Pilot Bore



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GREENJER HDDD | MINIMIZING FRAC-OUT RISK

2 Down Hole Jet Pump for Reaming Stage



GREENJER HDDD MINIMIZING FRAC-OUT RISK

- 2 Down Hole Jet Pump for Reaming Stage
- > Principle HDD arrangement of the borehole and drill string
- > Return flow through borehole
 - > either to Rig side or to Pipe side





GREENER HDD OPERATIONS

Down hole jet pump | Reference Project: Malmö Harbor Channel Crossing

- H-165, HK150C Crawler Rig
- Location: Malmö, Sweden
- Project: District Heating Pipeline
- Drilling length: 850 ft. (263 m)
- Pipeline: 40" HDPE casing pipe with inner steel pipeline for heat transport
- Geology: hard limestone, flintstones







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