Perspectives from Water Cluster Anchor Companies

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Solving the World's Water Scarcity Challenges



Aquatech helps some of the worlds most recognized companies solve important water challenges.

Major industry focus:

- Energy
- Natural Resources
- Infrastructure





Water Challenges Include



Water source scarcity/restrictions

Resource recovery

Decrease life cycle costs

Difficult-to-treat wastewater

Environmental mandates

We deliver integrated technology solutions to the market



Company Overview

1,000 installations in 60 countries

Offices in North America, Europe, the Middle East, India, and China

High percentage of repeat business

Solely focused on water since its founding in 1981

More than 600 global employees

State-of-the-art laboratory, piloting, and R&D capabilities



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Role as an anchor company:

Offer Perspective

- Industrial market opportunities and pain points
- High tech water treatment

Provide Feedback

- What will work / what won't
- Market Value Proposition

Catalyze Commercialization

- Scale up, applied testing, piloting
- Market access



Hot Issues in the Market of High Tech Water



Energy

Reduce energy consumption in any type of desalination

- New materials
- New Processes
- Synergy with renewables



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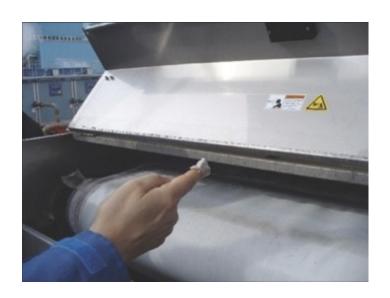
Efficiency

Improve reliability of wastewater processes

- Address scaling in membranes and heat transfer surfaces
- Higher recovery of recycled water
- Improved biological processes



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Resource Recovery

Waste as a resource

- Biological waste to energy
- Reusable salt
- Reduction of water footprint



The Concept to commercialization cycle is a challenge in the water industry:

- Early Research
- Piloting / Applied Testing
- Repeatable commercial approach

First PO to "real" commercialization is a 12-14 year cycle according to Bluetech research



Critical Success Factors

Technology Startups, cluster leaders, and Federal agencies need to work together to improve the cycle

- Startups Technology
- Cluster Leaders Integration of technology and market Access
- Federal Agencies Host Sites,
 Enduser Incentives



