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Application of Clean Energy in Desalination Industry



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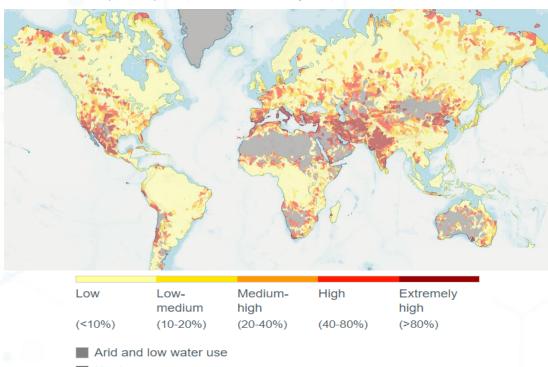


Global Water Demand Growth

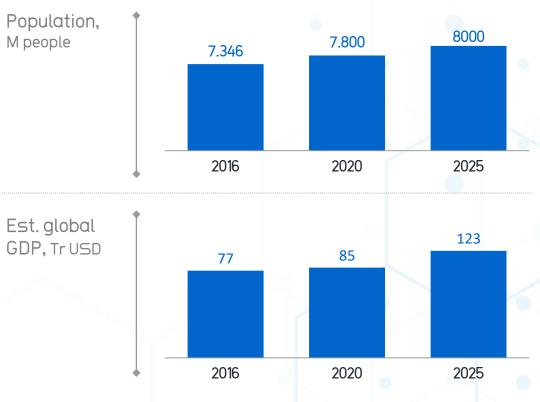
Driven by ambitious development plans, population rise and structural water scarcity

MENA countries already experience high scarcity and stress level will continue to increase

Water stress per capita (m³/inhabitant/year)



Population and economy shows healthy growth in the globe, which results in a growing water need

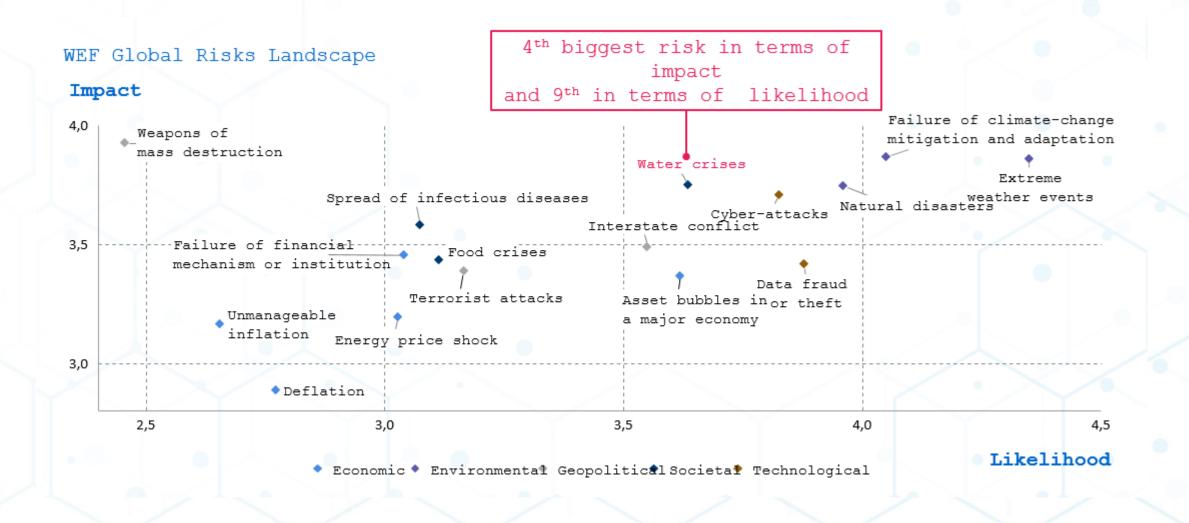


Note: Based on river basins facing water stress; 81 countries have territories which are facing extreme water stress. Source: FAO Aquastat; UN World Water Development Report 2015; World Resources Institute (2021); EIU.





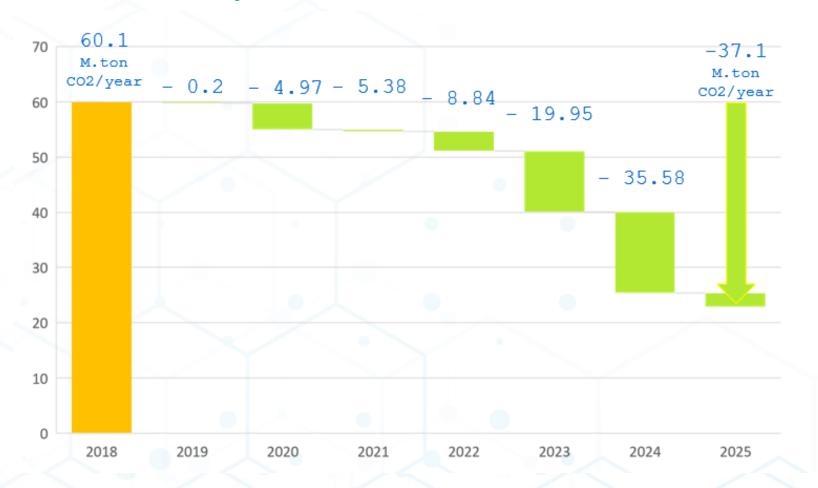
A global water crisis is the 4th biggest risk in terms of impact and 9th in terms of likelihood







SWCC Journey for Carbon Reduction





Zero neutrality





GREEN DESALINATION

Enhance process to reduce energy consumption

Achieved: from 18 Kwh/m3 to 2.27 kwh/m3 Powering desalination by clean energy

Achieved: 770 MW

Capturing CO2 a

In process:
Capturing CO2 and utilize in post treatment





Challenges of green desalination

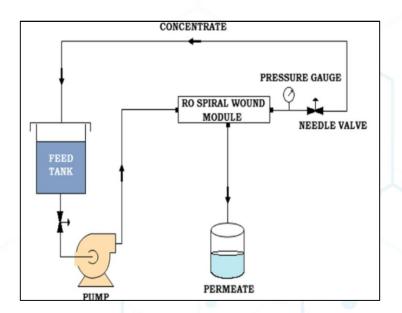
Reliability: solar and wind energy need to be more reliability for desalination



Energy storage:
Required energy storage for operation in night time



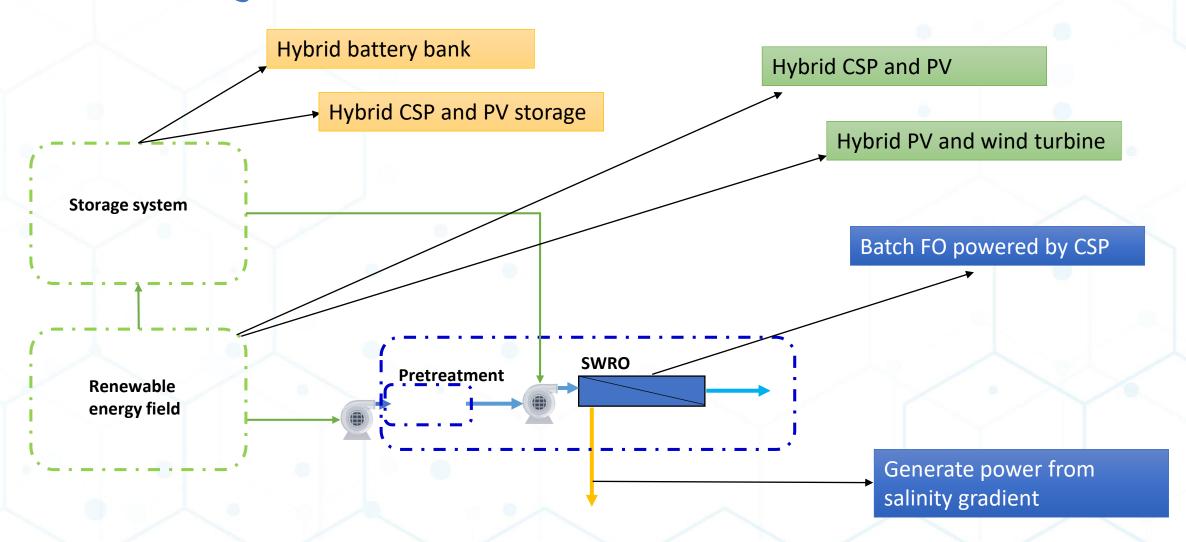
Energy intensive process: desalination is high energy consumption process that required to big area for renewable energy







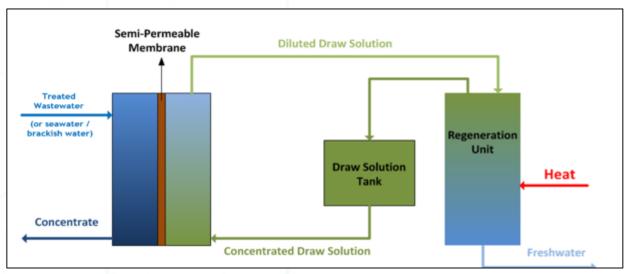
WTTIRA effort in green desalination

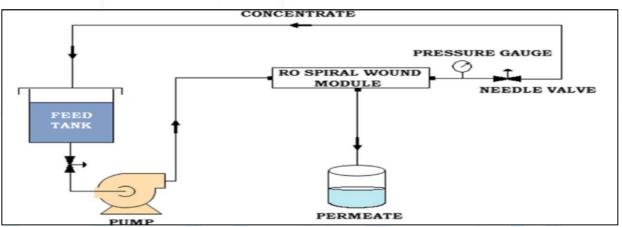






Innovative fully green desalination process





Forward osmosis

- 1- low energy consumption 25 Kwh thermal ,0.4 Kwh electrical /m3
- 2- can be work as batch or continuous system
- 3- low pressure process

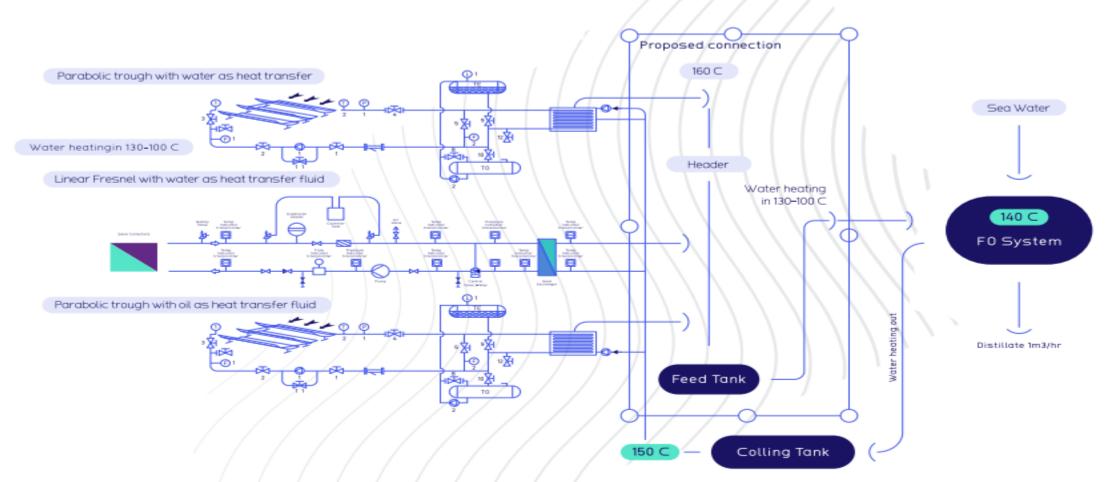
Reverse Osmosis

- 1- high energy consumption 3-2.27 kwh/m3
- 2- continuous system
- 3- high pressure process





CSP coupling with F0







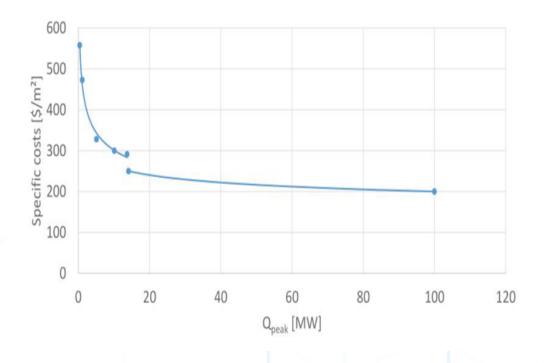
Feasibility study

$$LCOW = \frac{Crf * CAPEX + OPEX}{water\ production} \dots \dots \dots (1)$$

Item	CAPEX \$
Solar collector	10,000,000
FO unit	15,500,000
Total CAPEX	25,500,000

Item	OPEX
Solar field	11\$/m2
FO	0.18 \$/m3
Total OPEX for solar	220,000 \$

Life time	25 years
Total water production	73,000,000
Specific water cost	2.5-2 SR/m3







Future Aspects

- Make a research to reach a full green desalination with high reliability and convenient water production cost
- Use a different hybrid clean energy to achieve reduction of carbon dioxide and competitive energy price
- Make research in green hydrogen to utilize it as clean fuel
- Utilize a by product in commercial scale to support clean energy such as use brine in salt gradient power generation and carbon capture system to support clean energy
- select a desalination technology that can be compatible with renewable energy to reach to fully green desalination such as utilize FO with CSP
- Support green desalination research and collaboration



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