

Syllabus

Descrizione corso

Titolo insegnamento	Hydropower and wind power Systems
Codice insegnamento	45532
Titolo aggiuntivo	
Settore Scientifico- Disciplinare	
Lingua	Inglese
Corso di Studio	Corso di laurea magistrale in Ingegneria energetica
Altri Corsi di Studio (mutuati)	
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Assistente	
Semestre	Primo semestre
Anno/i di corso	2
CFU	12
Ore didattica frontale	120
Ore di laboratorio	12
Ore di studio individuale	0
Ore di ricevimento previste	
Sintesi contenuti	This course provides an in-depth introduction to two major renewable energy technologies: run-of-the-river hydro power

plants and wind power systems. Divided into two comprehensive modules, the course blends theoretical knowledge with practical design approaches, encouraging students to engage with realworld challenges in sustainable energy production.

In Module 1, the focus is on run-of-the-river hydroelectric systems. Students will explore the fundamental components and functioning of these plants, supported by detailed case studies of existing installations. The module covers essential topics such as optimal site selection, hydrological analysis, and the hydraulic design of key structures, including weirs, intakes, and silting basins. Further, students will examine the design and operation of penstocks, the impact of water hammer, and the layout and engineering of turbine houses.

Module 2 shifts attention to wind energy. Beginning with a historical and technological overview of wind power, the course delves into the complete design process of wind turbines. This includes rotor aerodynamics and geometry, power control strategies, mechanical design, and testing procedures. Students will also study methods for assessing wind resources and evaluating suitable sites. Additional topics include the design of small wind turbines, wind farm layout, and an introduction to the economic and financial aspects of wind energy projects.

Throughout the course, students will develop a solid understanding of the engineering principles behind renewable energy systems, supported by real examples and tools used in professional practice. This course is ideal for those aiming to work in the renewable energy sector or seeking a strong technical foundation in sustainable power generation.

Argomenti dell'insegnamento

Module 1:

- 1. Description of Run-of-the-river Hydro Power plants, also through the detailed analysis of different plants already built
- 2. Optimal plant site assessment and hydrological analyses
- 3. Hydraulic design of Weir, intake, minimum vital flow outlet
- 4. Hydraulic design of headrace silting basin, forebay
- 5. Penstock and water hammer, water turbine house analysis and design.



	Module 2:
	1. Description of wind power plants, history, classification, uses,
	technology.
	2. Wind turbine design, steps and tools; (key elements of the
	design, definition of the activities and organization of time, budget
	management, technical norms);
	3. The fluid dynamic and geometric design of the rotor.
	4. The power control.
	5. The mechanical design and testing of the machine.
	6. Elements of analysis of wind resources and site assessment.
	7. Small wind turbines.
	8. Wind farms design.
	9. Economic and financial analysis.
Parole chiave	Hydropower, run of the river HPP, wind power, turbines, rivers
Prerequisiti	
Insegnamenti propedeutici	
Modalità di insegnamento	Frontal lessons, laboratory and exercises
Obbligo di frequenza	Not mandatory.
Obiettivi formativi specifici e	Learning Outcomes:
risultati di apprendimento	
attesi	(1) Knowledge and understanding:
	The Hydro Power module provides the knowledge for run-of-the-
	river (RoR) hydro power plant analysis and design. The frontal
	lessons and laboratory exercises will give the necessary in-depth
	analysis of hydraulic design of each component of a RoR Hydro
	Power Plant (and assistance to design during laboratory hours).
	Wind energy course provides the basic knowledge for wind energy
	systems analysis and design. Main technical, and economical
	aspects for the proper selection and design will be faced and
	discussed. Small wind turbines application area and large wind
	farm design will be developed through two dedicated projects.
	(2) Applying Knowledge and understanding:
	During one or two visits to large and/or mini hydro power plants
	(scheduled during the course), the elements which compose the
	hydroelectric system will be analyzed and understood, through
	practical examples.
	The wind power course makes use of lectures, with introduction



	and discussion of the general aspects of wind turbine design, project assignment, work in laboratory with commercial codes and group meetings to review the progress of the projects assigned.
	(3) Making judgments: Students will be able to analyze and evaluate the potential performances of an HPP. Students will acquire the ability to analyze technical and economic feasibility of small wind projects and large wind farm projects.
	(4) Communication skills: Students will improve their communication skills by learning how to write and discuss a technical auditing report after a visit to a plan
	(5) Learning skills Student will learn (second part of the "Hydropower systems" module) to develop in detail the hydraulic design of each compartment constituting a mini hydro power plant, including: weir, intakes, settling basin, head race, surge tank/forebay, penstock. The course will transfer knowledge and methods for the design of small wind turbines and wind farms. The draft design of a wind farm will be developed. Two visits will be organized.
Obiettivi formativi specifici e risultati di apprendimento attesi (ulteriori info.)	
Modalità di esame	Oral exams and exercises/report. - Formative assessment: Report: during the course; ILOs assessed: (2), (3), (5). - Summative assessment: 100% oral examination, including presentation and discussion of the report: about 1 hour; ILOs assessed: all except (5).
Criteri di valutazione	The exam of hydro power module and of wind power module consists of oral presentation and discussion of the projects and deliverables of the individual working groups, with the identification and evaluation of the contributions of individual participants.
Bibliografia obbligatoria	Hydraulic structures (Novak)
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	 Hydraulic design of stilling basins (Peterka)0 Dam hydraulics (Vischer & Hager) Slides and course materials
Bibliografia facoltativa	 L.Battisti. GLI IMPIANTI MOTORI EOLICI Ed. Lorenzo Battisti Editore. 2012 L. Battisti Esercizi sulle turbine eoliche (edizione in corso) T. Burton, D. Sharpe, N. Jenkins, E. Bossanyi, WIND ENERGY HANDBOOK ed. Wiley 2001 J.F. Manwell, J.G. McGowan, A.L. Rogers, WIND ENERGY EXPLAINED ed. Wiley 2002 R.Harrison, E. Hau, H. Snel, LARGE WIND TURBINES, ed John Wiley & Sons, 2000 M.O. Hansen, AERODYNAMICS OF WIND TURBINES, Ed. James & James, 2003 R. Pallabazzer, SISTEMI EOLICI, Ed. Rubettino 2002
Altre informazioni	Connections with other courses: A strict connection with the course of Environmental Fluid Mechanics / Hydropower Plants, Fluid Machines Engineering and Electrical System Engineering, all of them preparatory for the design of Run of the River Hydro Power Plants. Professional applications of the covered topics: The topics studied will allow the student to find employment in companies, public and private bodies and professional firms for the design, planning, construction and management of works and plants for hydroelectric production, for the management of environmental and energy resources.
Obiettivi di Sviluppo Sostenibile (SDGs)	Energia rinnovabile e accessibile, Innovazione e infrastrutture, Lotta contro il cambiamento climatico, Utilizzo responsabile delle risorse, Città e comunità sostenibili

Modulo del corso

Titolo della parte	Wind power systems
costituente del corso	
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Disciplinare	
Lingua	Inglese



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Semestre	
CFU	6
Docente responsabile	
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	7. Small wind turbines.
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Modalità di insegnamento	Frontal lessons, laboratory and exercises.
Bibliografia obbligatoria	· Slides and course materials
Bibliografia facoltativa	

Modulo del corso

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Settore Scientifico-	ICAR/02
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