INDUSTRIAL THERMAL ENERGY RECOVERY CONVERSION AND MANAGEMENT (I-THERM) WORKSHOP

Thermal energy recovery in air compressors using ORC

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3kW Water-cooled Xpander

- Mattei Blade expander and pump
- Working Fluid (WF) R236fa
- Oil temperature 80-100°C
- Oil flow rate up to 160l/min
- Cooling water temperature 15-17°C
- Cooling water rate 50l/min
- Magnetic couplings
- Electrical power output 2.5-4.5kW
- Compliant with EN 50438:2013



Xpander. Test Rig Configuration

- INV --inverters
- M electrical motors/generators
- F flow sensor
- P pressure sensor
- T temperature sensor



Xpander. Test Rig Scada Interface



Xpander. Further Development

- Model rescaling based on analysis of the test results
- Development of control system for the industrial prototype
- Test run at the customer industrial sites with real life data acquisition
- Tweaking the control system for the industrial units
- Higher power range of Xpanders (5-10kW)
- Air-cooled Xpanders