

DemoSpeicher

Development and monitoring of seasonal heat and cold storage to demonstrate an aquifer storage facility in Germany

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Key Facts



Funding Agency

Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF)

Project Call

Geo Research for Sustainability GEO:N (Geoforschung für Nachhaltigkeit) Focus: Aquifer Thermal Energy Storage (ATES) (Thermische Energiespeicherung in Aquiferen) FZK 03G0915A



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Coordinator EIFER



Partners

- Karlsruhe Institute of Technology (KIT) – Institute for Applied Geosciences (AGW)
- Tewag GmbH (TEW)
- eZeit Engineers GmbH
- Technical University of Kaiserslautern (TUK), Department of Ecology
- Insititute for Groundwater Ecology



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Project Objectives

- Both low temperature (<50°C) and high temperature (>50°C) heat storage in aquifers (Aquifer Thermal Energy Storage, ATES Systems) are not widely implemented in Germany and have a lack of demonstration sites. The aim of DemoSpeicher is therefore to implement a near-surface low-temperature aquifer storage system (LT-ATES) in an urban environment.
- The project will cover the entire construction and operation cycles of an LT-ATES, ranging from project design to planning, grid integration, commissioning and thermal energy supply. DemoSpeicher's ATES demonstrator will be implemented in Berlin Center, on a site which will host climate-friendly heating and cooling concepts.



EIFER's Contribution

- Project Coordinator
 - Site investigation
 - Cost-Benefit Analysis
 - Work Package (WP) Lead Monitoring & Measurement
 - Thermal-Hydraulic Monitoring
- In addition, EIFER is in charge of the monitoring of the demonstrator
 - The project integrates a comprehensive monitoring program, which will provide extensive data of thermalhydraulic underground processes (temperatures, pressures, flow behaviors and directions of the groundwater, hydraulic gradients, groundwater chemistry and groundwater ecology as a result of thermal stress).

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