

COMPASS



COMposite super-structures for large PASsenger Ships

Partners



**DBI - Danish Institute of Fire
and Security Technology
(lead)**



Support: (non-complete list of 9 companies)



Technical University of Denmark

DTU Mechanical Engineering
Department of Mechanical Engineering

DTU Civil Engineering
Department of Civil Engineering

- Lightweight Structures group (Mech)
- Fire Engineering group (Civil)
- Maritime group (Mech)

Funding (2014 and 2015)



THE DANISH MARITIME FUND

+ co-funding from DTU and DBI

Challenges

Complicated and time demanding analysis of fire safety according to SOLAS II-2, Rule 17

Barrier for further development and use of FRP in larger civilian vessels

Large potential for retrofit and new-builds of ships using composites

Aims

- KOMPAS aims at making the path easier for design and retrofit of composite super-structures for larger passenger ships for
 - yards / design consultants
 - sub-suppliers
 - ship owners
 - authorities
- Adopt a standalized approach through guidelines combined with (pre-) fire proven FRP structural standard components



Work packages

WP 1: Dissimination and distribution of knowledge

WP 2: Structural design, analysis and testing

WP 3: Fire testing and analysis

WP 4: Development of Rule 17 guidelines for analysis- and testing procedures

Demonstration Ship: Princess Benedikte



Route	Puttgarden-Rødby
Type	RoPax
Construction year	1997/2003
Gross tonnage	14,822
Shipbuilder	Ørskov Staalskibsværft, Denmark
Flag	Danish
Engines	4 pc Mak, type 8M32 / 1 pc MAN type 6L32 / 44CR
KW	17,440
Length, oa	142 m
Breadth incl. fender	25.4 m
Service speed	18.5 kn
Length, oa	1 track, 118 m
Lanemeter, lorries	580
Lanemeter, cars	1,747
Car capacity	364
Passenger capacity	1,140



Superstructure



Superstructure

Retrofitting is focused on the passenger Decks
-17700 mm above the Baseline

Comparison between designs

Steel Superstructure

Structural Analysis

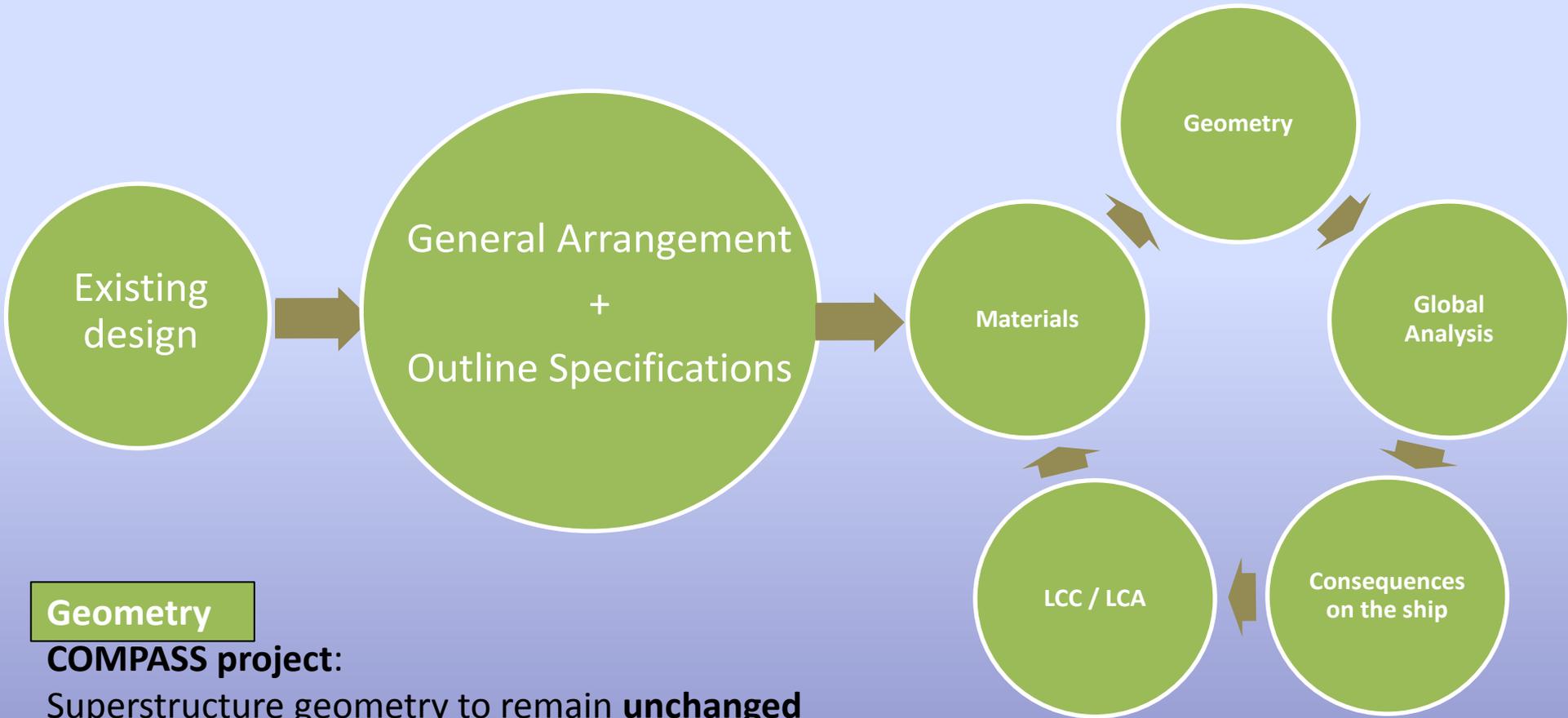
Composite Superstructure

Design

Structural Analysis

Effects

Superstructure retrofitting design

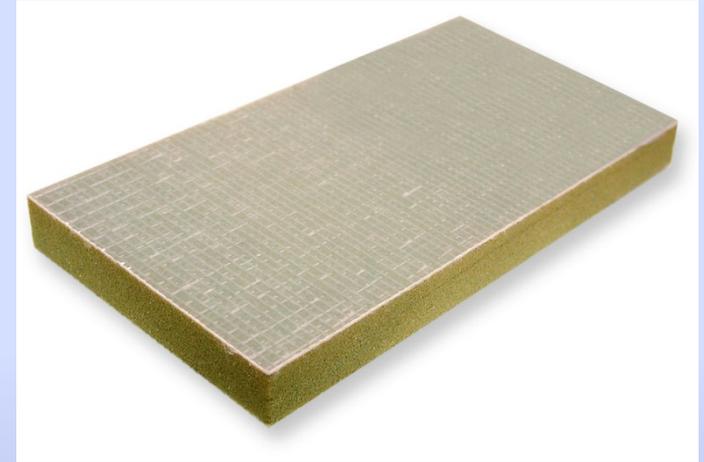
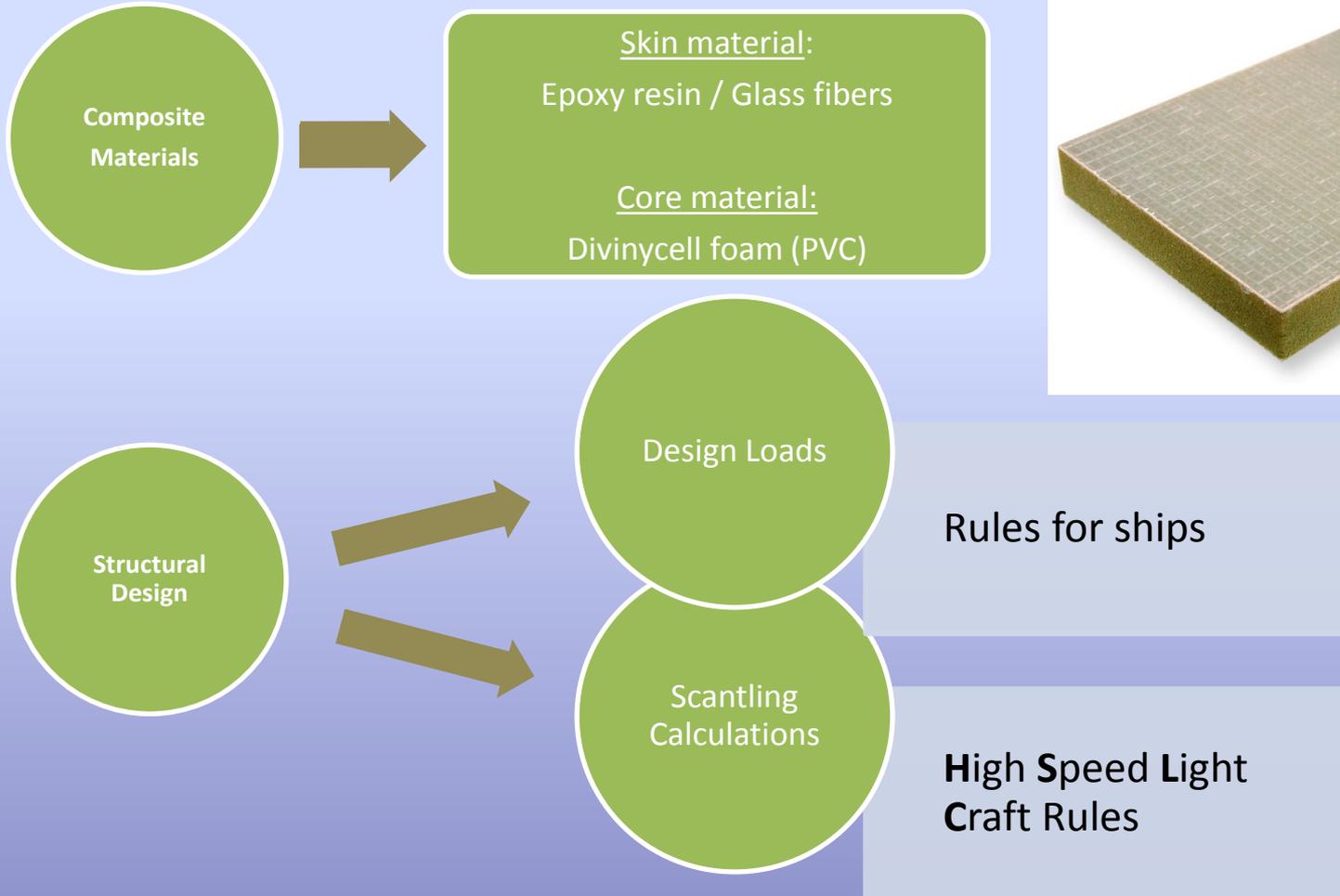


Geometry

COMPASS project:

Superstructure geometry to remain unchanged

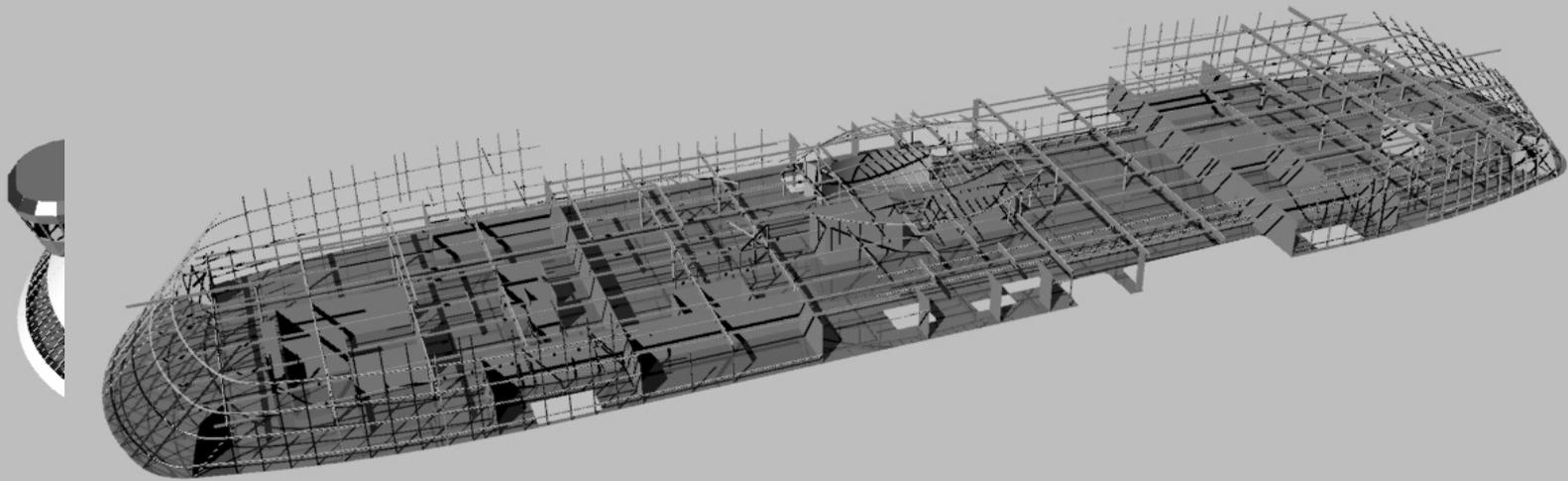
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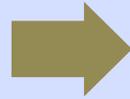
3D CAD Model of the Superstructure

Interior / Composite stiffeners

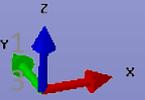
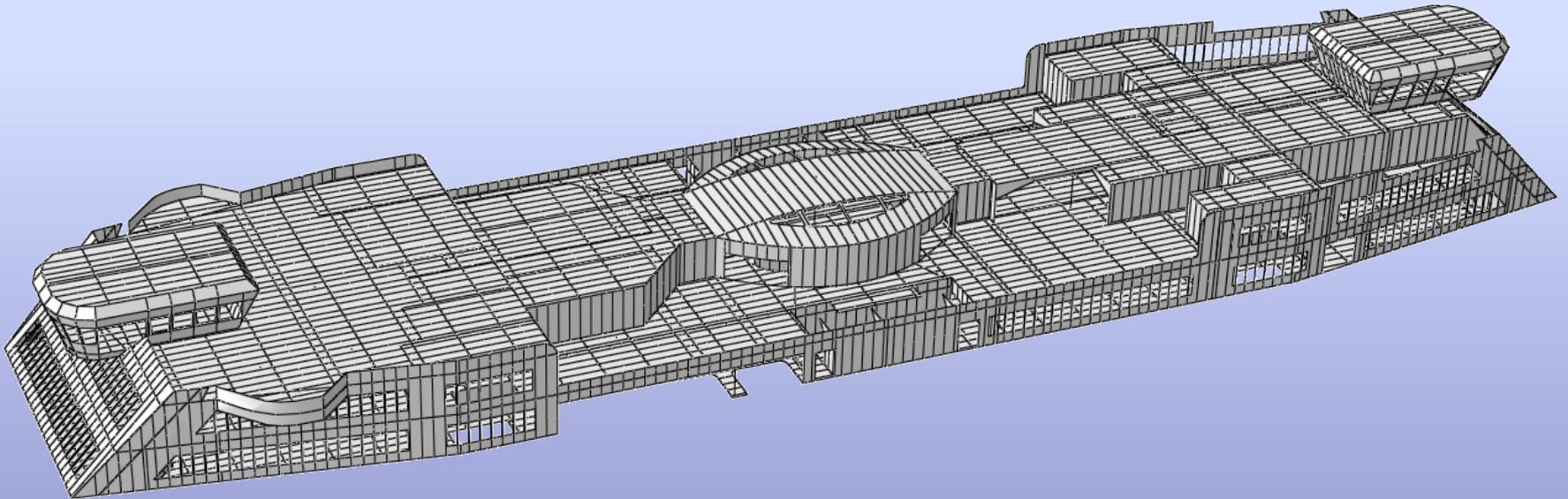


Structural Analysis

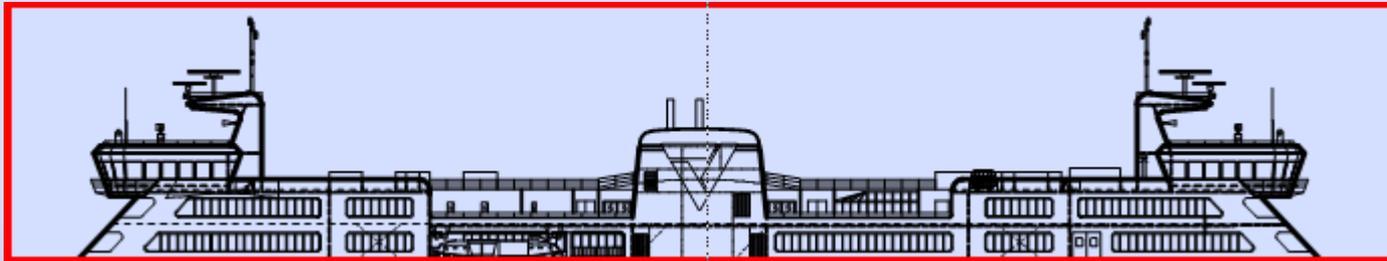
3D CAD Model



Global Finite Element Model for both designs under development



Effects on the ship



Composite Superstructure weight: **136** tons

The effects on the stability of the ship will be calculated

Structural Analysis

Structural loads

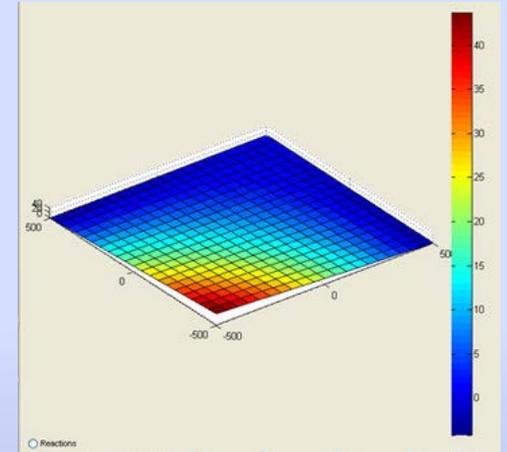


Thermal loads



Detailed finite element simulations

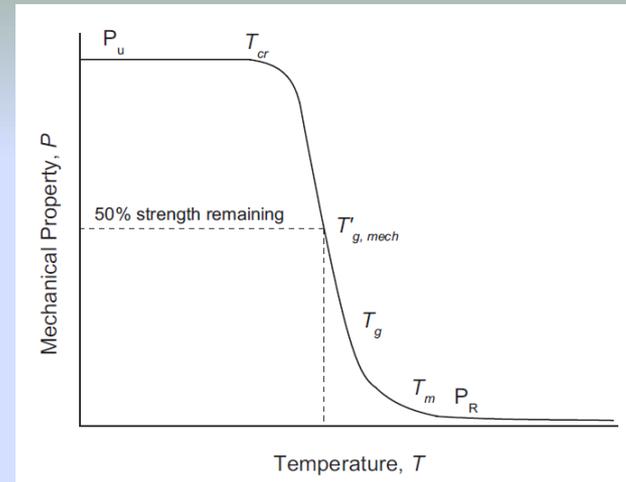
Experimental testing



Structural Analysis

Testing is separated in three phases :

- Material Characterisation
- Mid-scale Testing
- Large scale testing



The tests' specifications for the first two phases have been defined
The experimental setup is being assembled at the moment

Standard fire resistance tests

Scale	Apparatus	Data obtained	Drawbacks
Matter Scale	TG Analyzer,..	Chemical	Not truly fire resistance test
Material Scale	Cone Calorimeter, ...	Ignitability, heat release rate, smoke production	
Products Scale	ISO 21367, ...	Heat release rate, ignitability, surface spread of a flame, falling droplets/particles and smoke production	
Large Scale	Furnace	Fire resistance (with time-temperature curve ISO 834 and mechanical loads)	Time, High cost, Repeatability

Could be replace by

by avoiding

H-TRIS

H-TRIS: Heat Transfer Rate Inducing System

Thermal loading

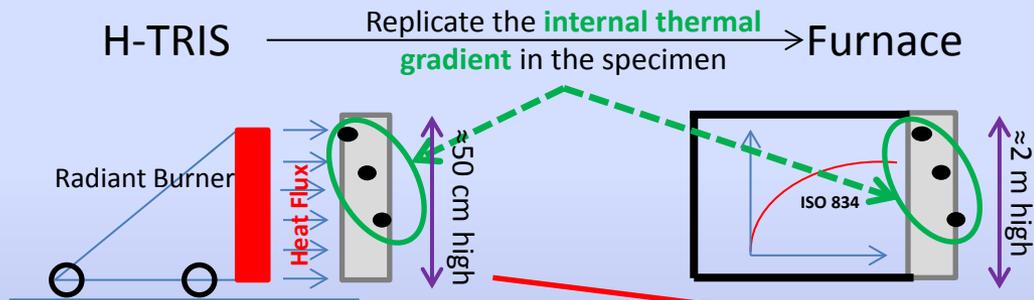
How to replicate the thermal conditions of the furnace test?

With a mobile array of gas-fired high performance **radiant heaters**, along with a mechanical **linear motion system** and/or a **high precision controller for the heat flux**.

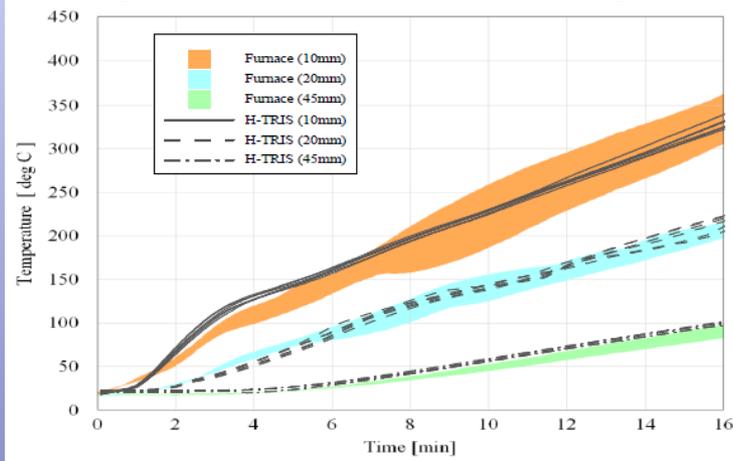
Mechanical loading

How to replicate mechanical stresses experienced by structural elements or assemblies?

With a **custom designed mechanical loading frame**.



Results (from C. Maluk *et al.*, Dec. 2012, SFPE Hong Kong.)



Comparison of concrete specimens' internal temperatures recorded in a furnace as compared against H-TRIS test results.

Finally:

H-TRIS can replicate the thermal conditions of the furnace test and the mechanical stresses

With as benefits:

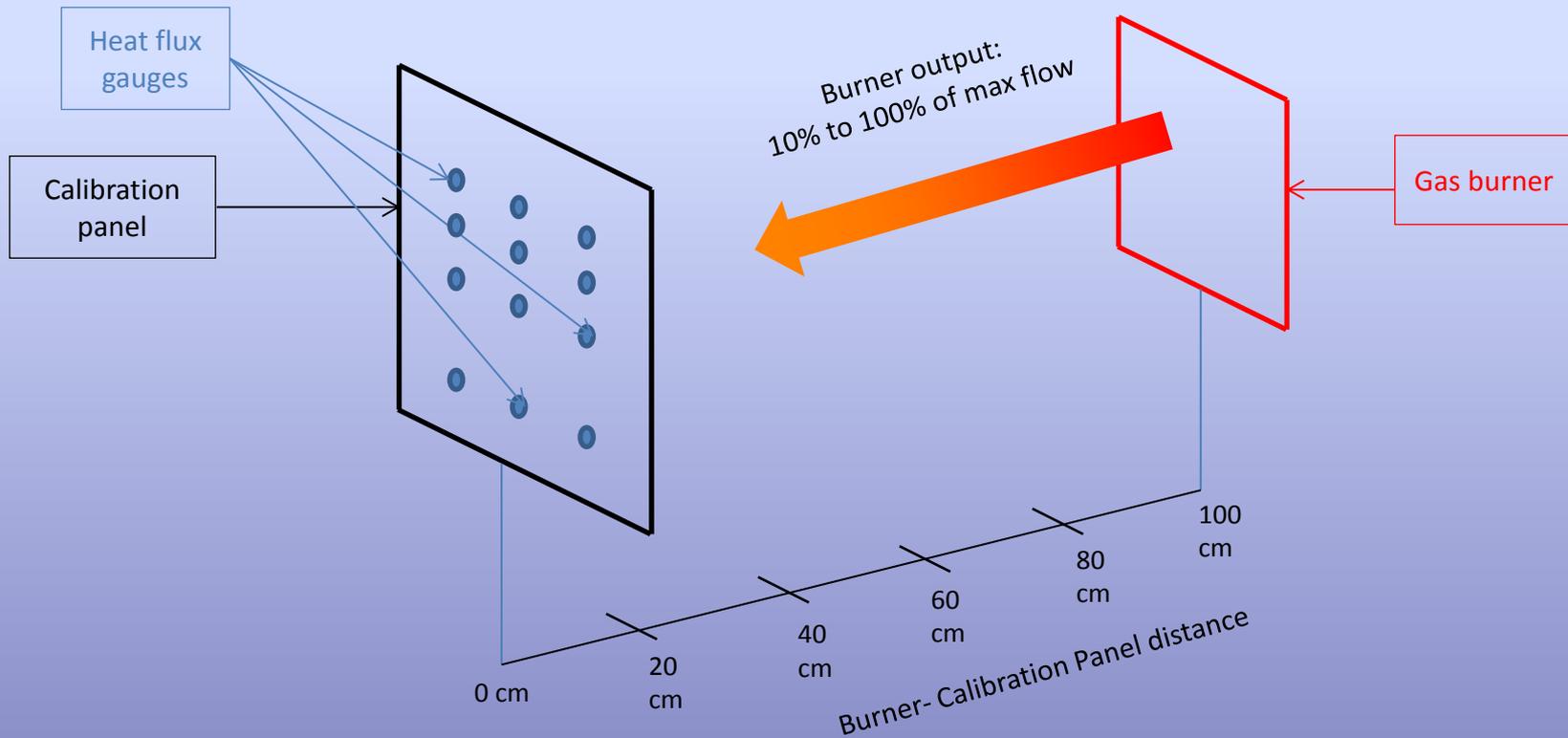
- Low cost, easy and quickly to conduct
- Greater repeatability

Calibration of the burner

Aim of the burner calibration :

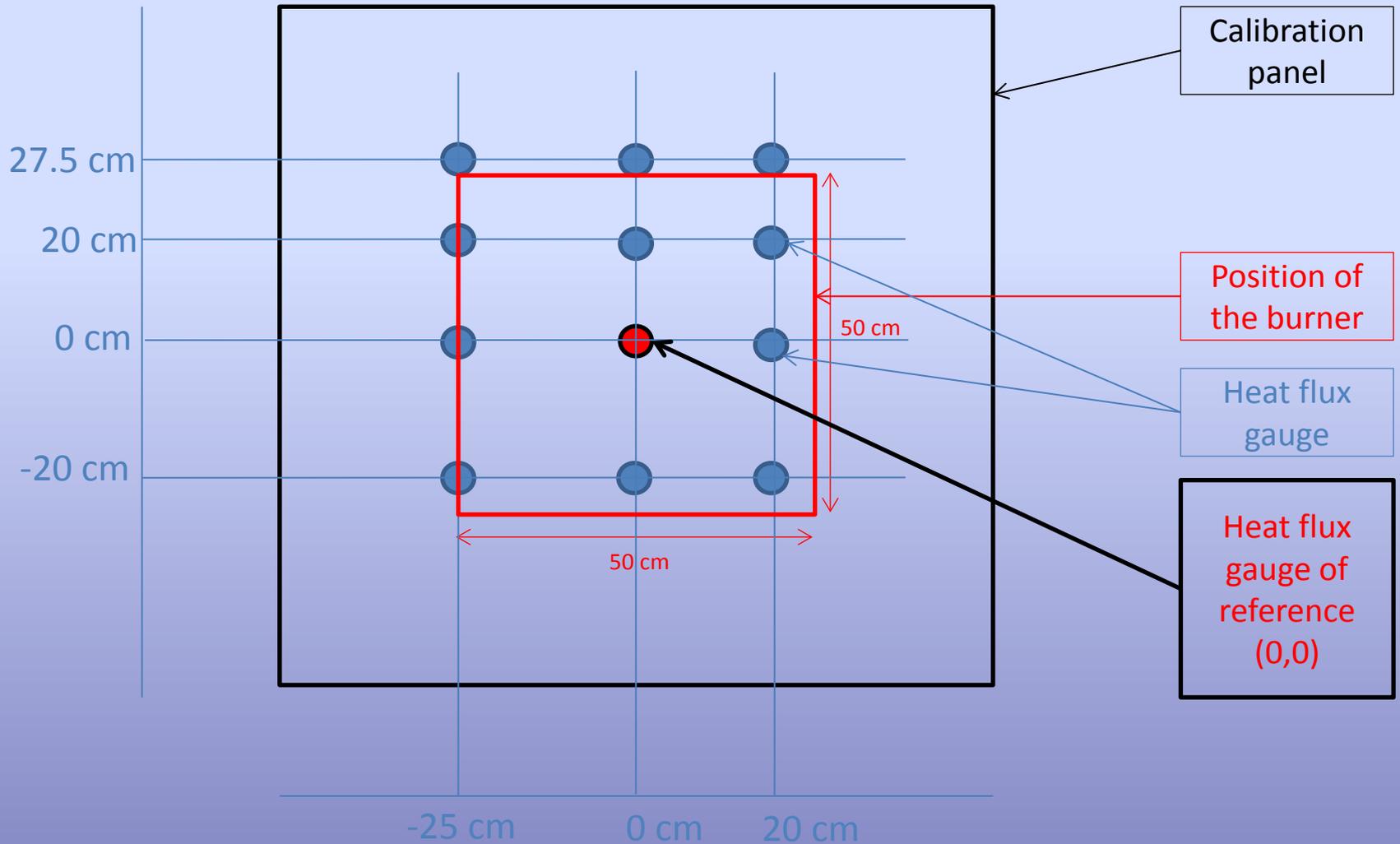
- ✓ To verify the homogeneity of the flux at the target panel
- ✓ To know the position/ heat flux of the burner in order to have the required flux at the target panel
- ✓ To know the time of stabilization during a change of intensity of the burner heat flux or during the change of position of the burner

Experimental device for the calibration of the burner



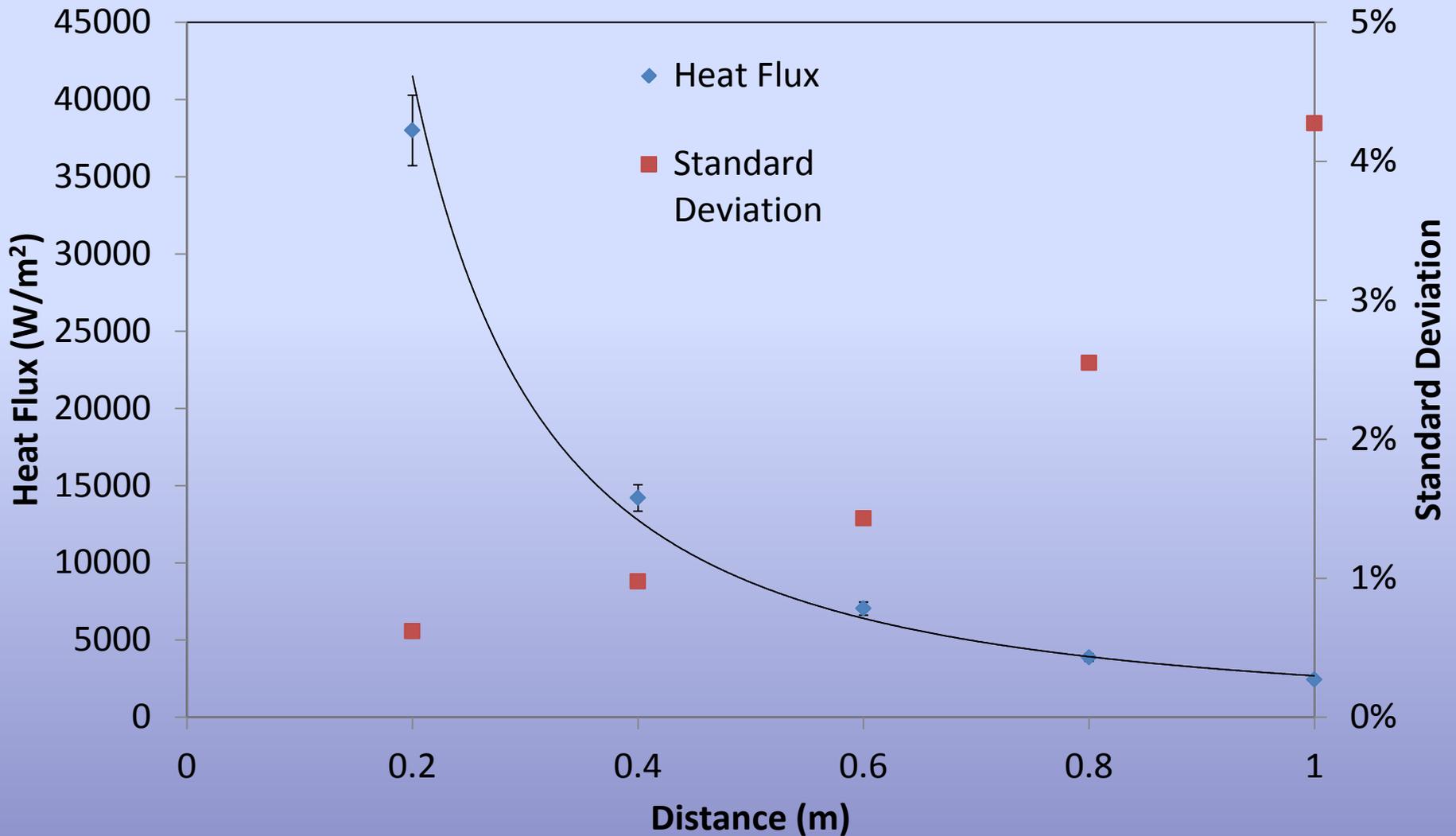
Calibration of the burner

Verification of the homogeneity of the flux at the target panel -
Position of heat flux gauges



Calibration of the burner

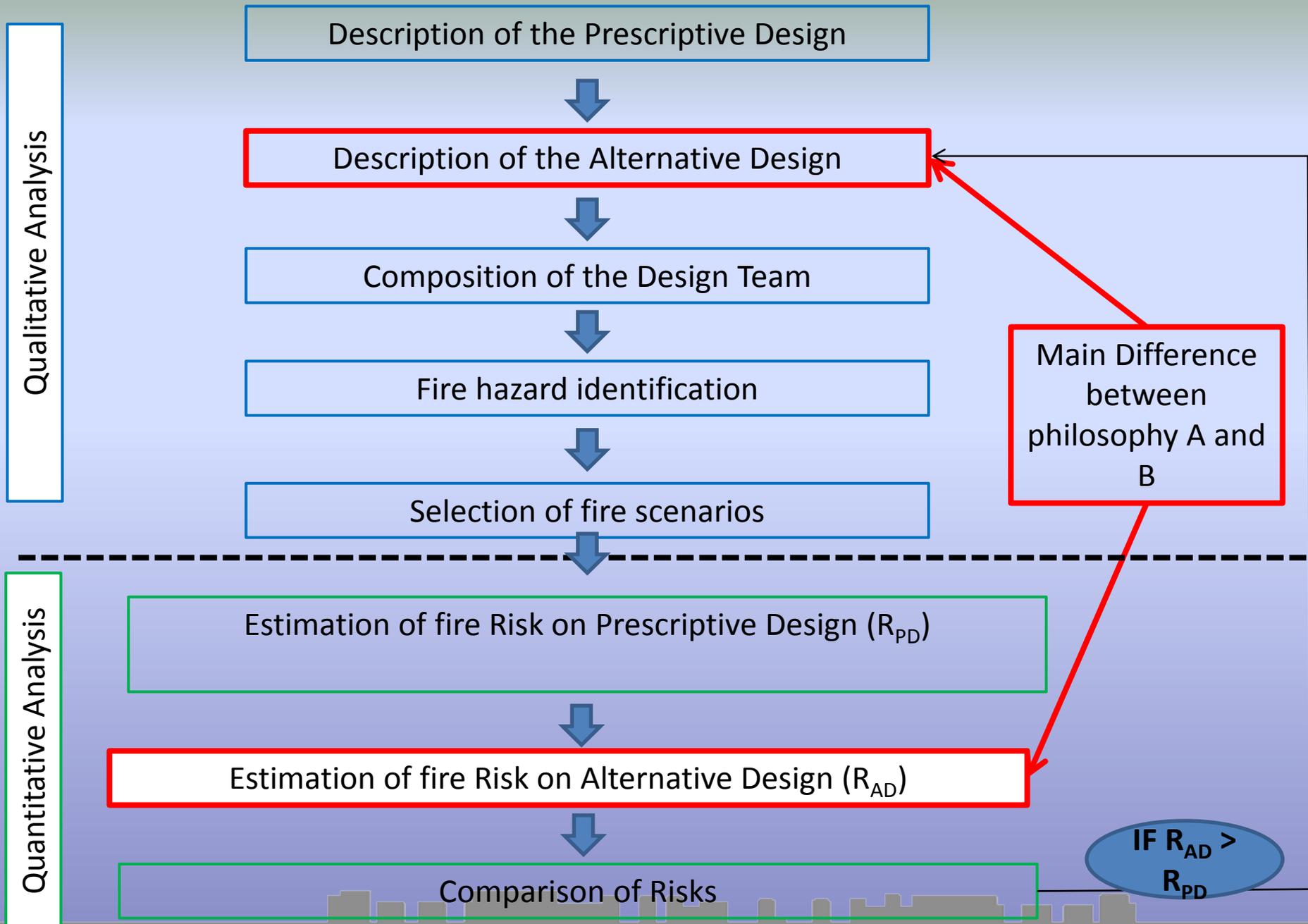
the position/ heat flux of the burner in order to have the required flux at the target panel – Results (50% of max burner intensity)



APPLICATION OF REGULATION 17 OF CH. II-2 OF THE SOLAS CONVENTION

- **Philosophy A:** Staying as close as possible to the prescriptive regulations by making conservative equivalences in terms of passive protection compared to an equivalent prescriptive design (Eco-Island ferry).
 - Pros: Fairly straightforward, also testing-wise
 - Cons: Faces the “non-combustibility” challenge (i.e. direct comparison with steel)
- **Philosophy B:** Adapting the protection to the level of risk in a given compartment, combining both active and passive protection (MP08 project).
 - Pros: Freedom of design
 - Cons: Requires more engineering to begin with

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Immediate actions

- Test relevant composite materials
 - Does anybody want to partner with us?
- Increased interaction between FEM results and Fire test results
- Continued work on method for application of Rule 17

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We invite any interested companies and partners to make contact with the group throughout the project to share input and results.

