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**Coke oven wastewater –
formation, treatment
and utilization methods –
a review**

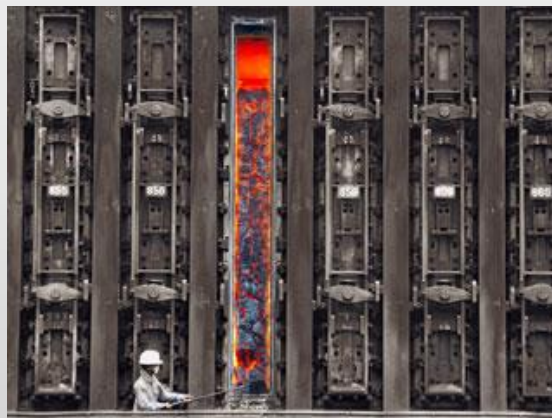
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COKE FACTS

Coke is produced by the **destructive distillation** of coal in coke ovens;



Coal blend (various types of coal of desired coking parameters) is coked (oxygen free atmosphere) until most **volatile components are removed**;



Coal blend

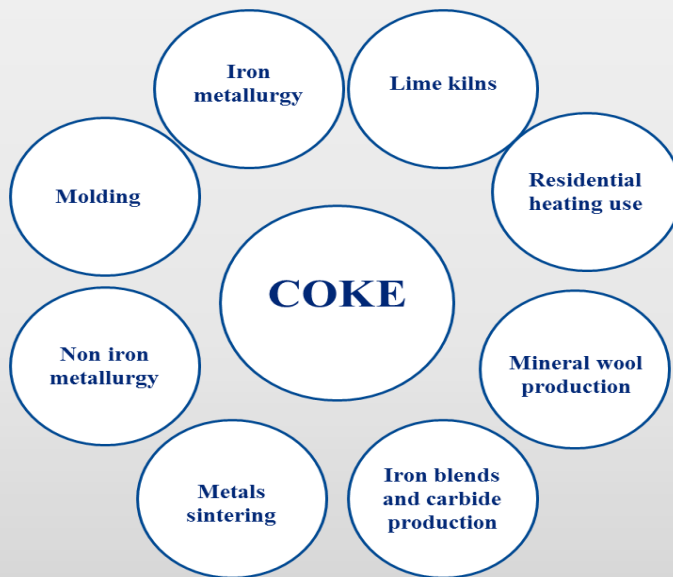


Coking



Coke

The remaining material is a **carbon mass called coke**, and it is used in various processes, among which **pig iron production** is the most significant;



Coke uses



Pig iron

Over **90%** of the total **coke production** is dedicated to **blast furnace operations**

There are **538 coke plants** in the world.

Most of them (400, each with over 600,000 t/y capacity) are located in **China**.



China is also the biggest producer of coke in the world.
Its production in 2014 reached **490.3 Mt**, while for the rest of the producers
in top 10 it was 174 Mt.

No.	State	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
1	China	387.6	426.2	441.6	474.0	490.3
2	Japan	37.0	37.4	36.0	36.5	37.0
3	India	26.3	30.3	31.7	32.9	34.1
4	Russia	29.1	29.6	29.8	28.5	29.5
5	South Korea	14.6	17.0	16.9	16.7	18.5
6	Ukraine	18.6	19.6	18.9	17.5	13.8
7	USA	13.6	14.0	13.8	13.9	13.7
8	Brazil	9.0	10.1	10.0	10.6	10.6
9	Poland	9.7	9.1	8.6	9.2	9.4
10	Germany	7.9	8.1	7.9	8.2	8.3

9 coke oven plants

25 batteries



(5)

- Coke Plant Jadwiga, Zabrze,
- **Coke Plant Przyjaźń, Dąbrowa Górnicza,**
- Coke Plant Dębieńsko, Dębieńsko,
- Coke Plant Radlin, Radlin,
- Coke Plant Victoria, Wałbrzych.



Koksownia Przyjaźń
The biggest Polish COP
The youngest European COP
5 batteries, 750 kT/y



ArcelorMittal

(2)

- **Coke Plant Zdzeszowice,**
- Coke Plant Kraków.

Private sector (2)

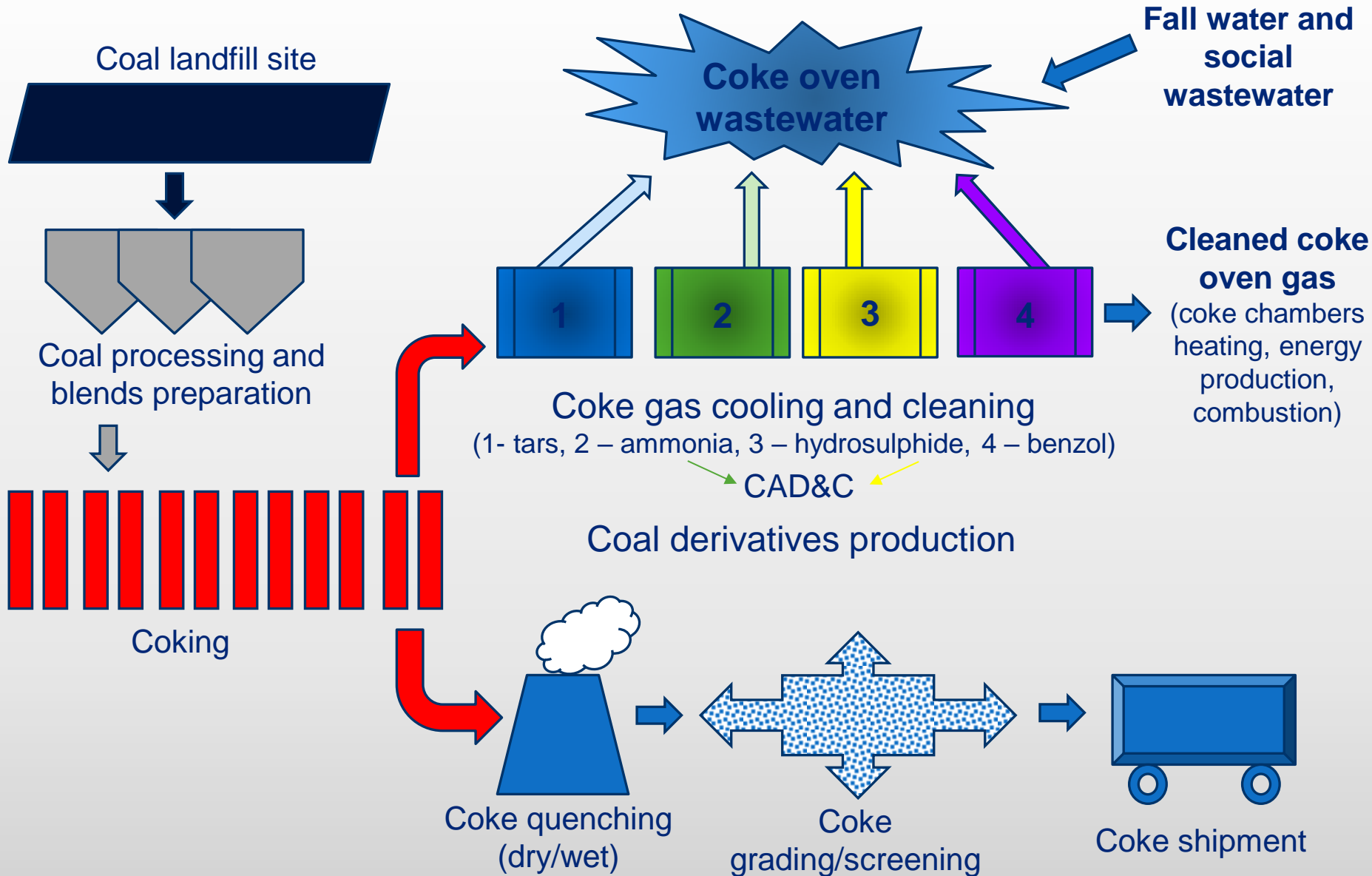
- Coke Plant Częstochowa Nowa, Częstochowa,
- Coke Plant Carbo Koks, Bytom.

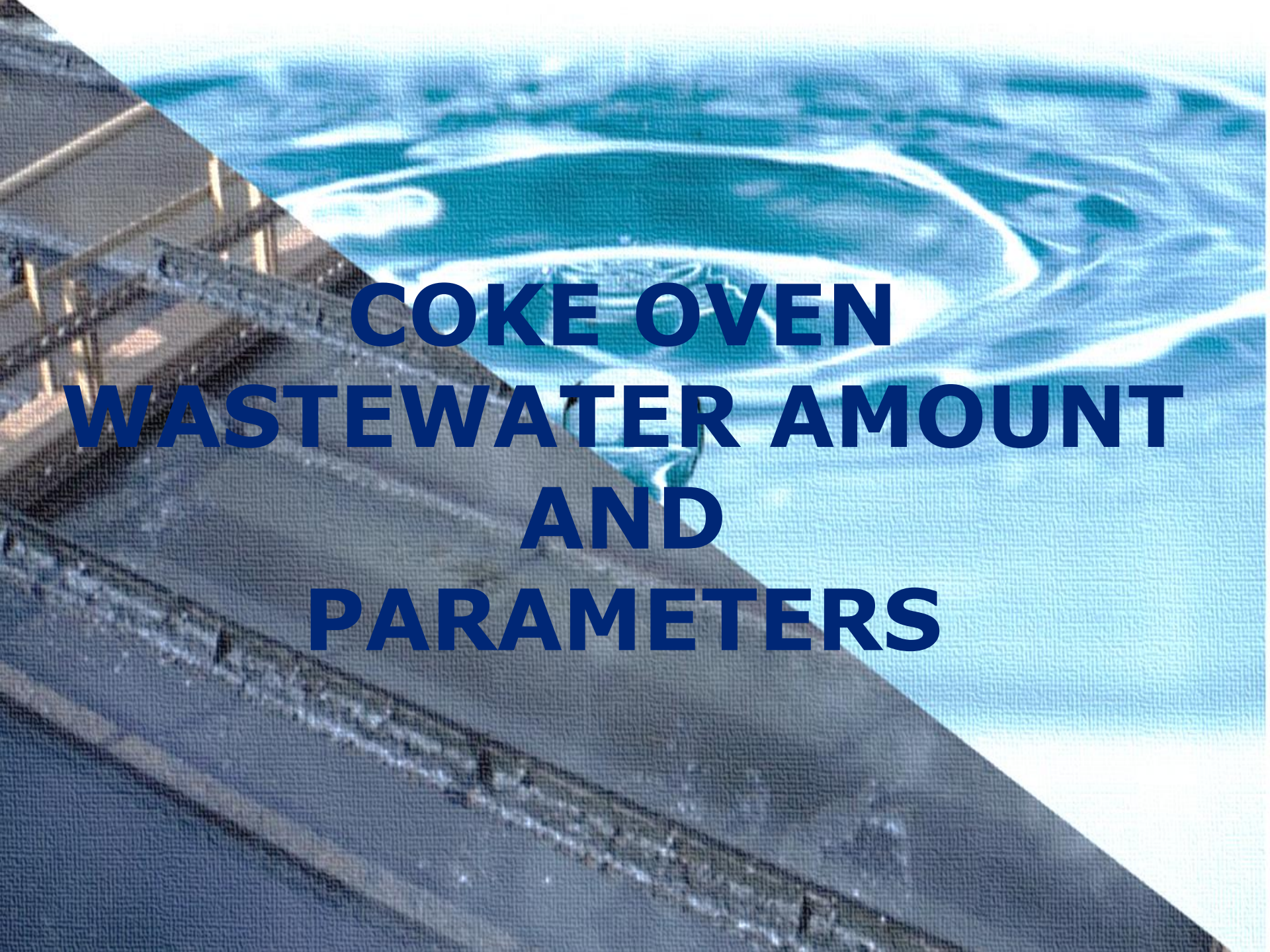


Koksownia Zdzeszowice
The biggest European COP
8 batteries, 4200 kT/y

The image is a composite of two distinct scenes. The left side shows a dark, industrial environment, likely a coke oven plant, with a series of parallel metal tracks or conveyor belts receding into the distance. The right side features a dynamic splash of blue water, with white foam and ripples, suggesting a liquid being poured or splashed. The overall color palette is dominated by dark greys and blues.

**COKE OVEN PLANT
OPERATION
AND
COKE OVEN
WASTEWATER
FORMATION**





**COKE OVEN
WASTEWATER AMOUNT
AND
PARAMETERS**

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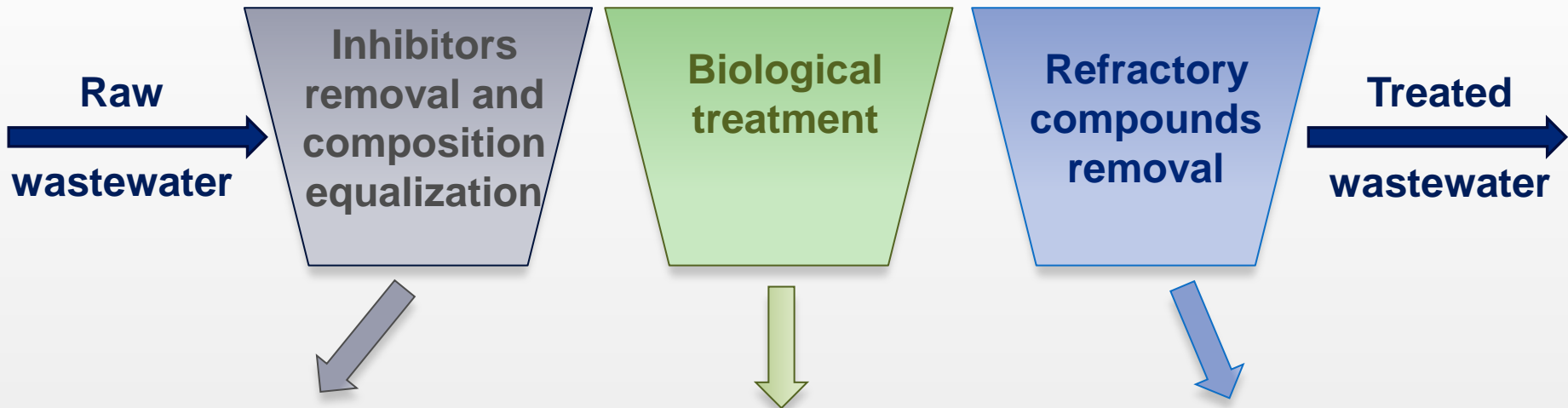
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Coke oven wastewater treatment and utilization



MECHANICAL METHODS

- Sedimentation
- Flotation
- Filtration

CHEMICAL METHODS

- Coagulation

REMOVAL OF TAR, SULPHIDES, CYANIDES

NITRIFICATION

- Oxidation of $N-NH_3$ to $N-NO_3$

DENITRIFICATION

- Reduction of $N-NO_3$ to N_2

CARBON SOURCE FOR BIOLOGICAL PROCESSES - PHENOLS

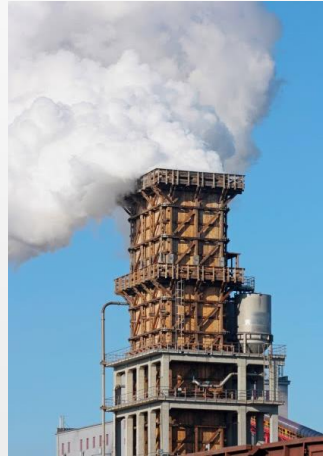
MULTIFUNCTIONAL REACTORS

- Activated carbon adsorption
- Coagulation
- AOPs

Treated wastewater

Wet coke quenching

- S^{2-} <0.2 mg/dm³
- CN^- <0.1 mg/dm³
- Phenols <15 mg/dm³
 - N_{NH_3} <82 mg/dm³
- Chlorides + sulphates – depends on required coke quality



Environment

BAT conclusions:

- COD <220 mg/dm³
- BOD₅ <20 mg/dm³
- S^{2-} <0.1 mg/dm³
- CN^- <0.1 mg/dm³
 - SCN^- <4 mg/dm³
- Phenols <0.5 mg/dm³
- N_{tot} 15-50 mg/dm³

- **Inefficient performance of processes – standards exceeding,**
- **Effective cyanides removal cannot be nowadays obtained,**
- **Conventional cyanides removal - coagulation,**
- **Cyanides competing contaminants – tars and sulphides,**
- **Large doses of chemicals (coagulants) required,**
- **Effective removal of cyanides and sulphides is crucial for proper run of biological processes (inhibitors!!!!),**
- **Additional large salts load with coagulants,**
- **Affection of coke quality and exceeding of environmental standards,**
- **Water recovery is not even considered,**
- **Additional requirements for fresh water preparation and use.**



- **One of the most complex and problematic industrial wastewater – many researches and projects,**
- **Sharpening of environmental and coke quality standards,**
- **Conventional systems are the basis of every research,**
- **Main priorities:**
 - Cyanides removal improvement,
 - Biological processes enhancement,
 - Salts load decrease,
 - Technological grade water recovery.



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idea
2014**

**Proposal preparation
and submission
2015**

**European Commission acceptance,
project start
2016**

PROJECT CONSORTIUM



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