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## Introduction

#### Geramic Fuel Cells is a global leader in fuel cell development

- Solid Oxide fuel cells, convert natural gas into electricity and heat through a silent electrochemical reaction
- World's highest electrical efficiency
  - Meet the growing need for energy and reduce greenhouse gas emissions

#### We make fuel cell modules to go inside 'appliances' for homes and other buildings

- Leading energy and appliance company partners in Germany, France, UK and Japan
- First products are 'mini power stations' for homes (2kW power, plus heat)
- Many large global markets: Europe, Japan, Australia, North America

#### More than 140 million Euros invested since 1992

- 90 staff in Australia, UK and Germany
- Listed on the ASX and the London AIM market (code CFU)



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## Increase Volume, Reduce Costs

To generate revenue and profits, fuel cell companies must move from 'hand made' to 'automated' production

- Increase volumes to reduce costs

Ceramic Fuel Cells has built a plant in Heinsberg, Germany for the volume production of fuel cell stacks

- One of the first in the world







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## **Fuel Cells to Complete Systems**







Layer set



Fuel cell stack



BlueGEN Fully integrated Modular Co-Gen **mCHP** 

Individual fuel cells 

Metal interconnect & seals

**Ceramic Fuel Cells has** 'end to end' experience and know-how

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## **Manufacturing Plant**

#### Industriepark Oberbruch, Heinsberg, Germany

- 2007 = Opened local office, hired 3 local staff
- 2008 = Announced the project, site preparation, environmental and building approvals, placed orders for equipment
- 2009 = equipment built, installed and commissioned on-site
- Completed in September 2009
  - Final cost of 9.5 million Euros
  - Zero injuries or safety incidents

Designed for capacity of 10,000 fuel cell stacks per year

• With future expansion - install more equipment in the same building, plus option over 'greenfield' site

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## **Precision Manufacturing Equipment**

#### Key items of equipment:

- Ink Mixing Equipment to produce seal material
- Two Robotic Seal Dispensing Machines
- Two Curing Ovens for pre-drying dispensed seals
- A Robotic Assembly Machine for 'pick and place' assembly
- Three Furnaces for firing fuel cell stacks
- Three Testing machines to test fuel cell stacks before delivery

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- Makes power and hot water
- Real working unit to show customers, suppliers and partners

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# **Precision Manufacturing Equipment**

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## Location

- Germany is a leading and large market for clean energy products
- Central location, close to The Netherlands, Belgium and France
- North Rhine-Westphalia has highly skilled labour and strong support for new clean energy technologies, especially fuel cells
- Strong network of local suppliers and research bodies
  - North Rhine-Westphalia Government financial support for the project
  - Innovative services offering from the Industriepark Oberbruch

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## Dankeschön!

#### Thank You for Contributing to a Successful Project:

- The Government of North Rhine-Westphalia
- The City of Heinsberg
- Industriepark Oberbruch
- Project Managers CEL International Limited and contractor BFT Planung
- Suppliers
  - BIS HIMA GmbH
  - Eisenmann Anlagenbau GmbH
  - Intega GmbH
  - Netzsch Feinmahltechnik GmbH
  - TF Automation Ltd
  - Theod. Mahr Söhne GmbH

Ministry of Economic Affairs and Energy of the State of North Rhine-Westphalia

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