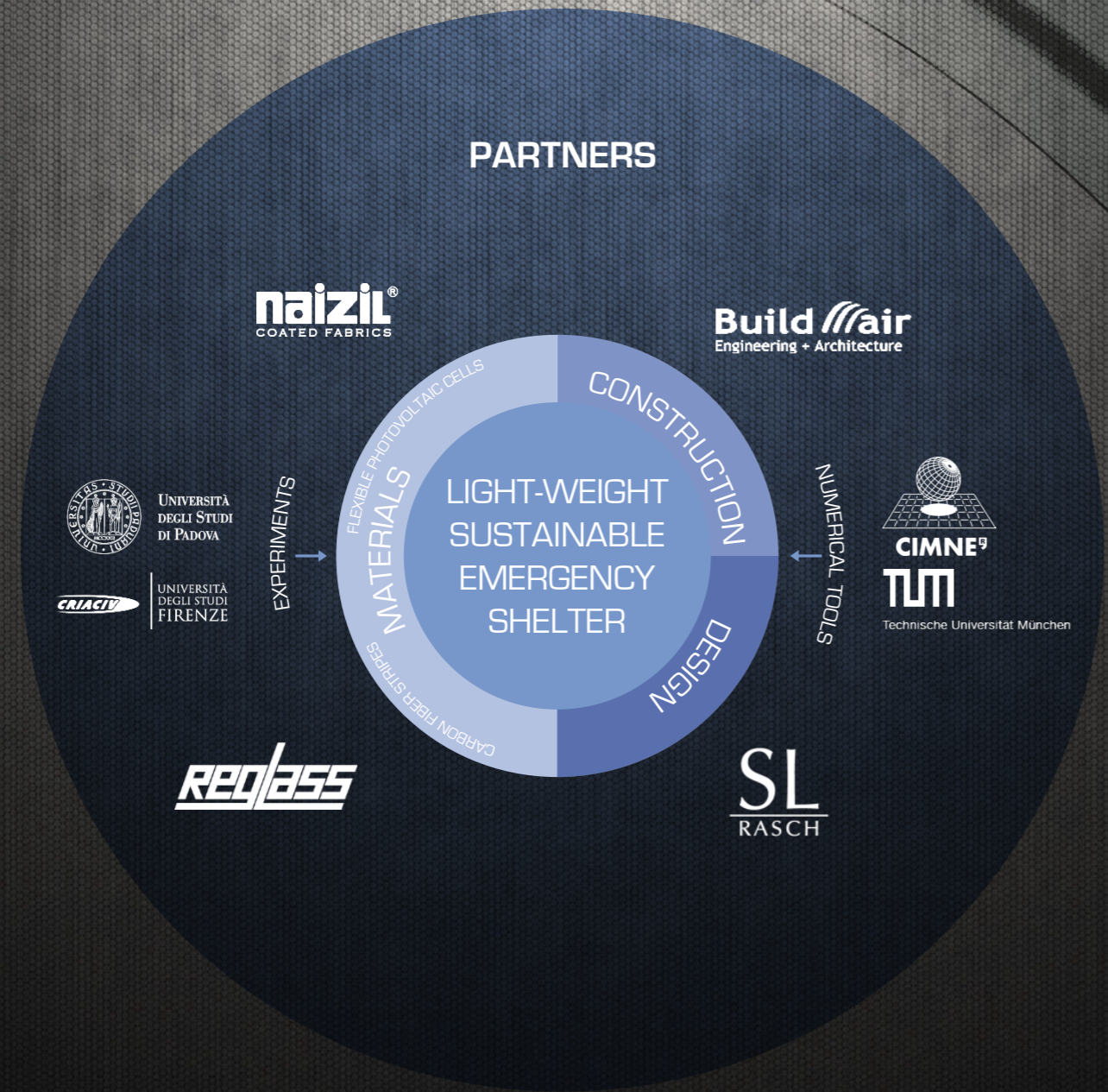


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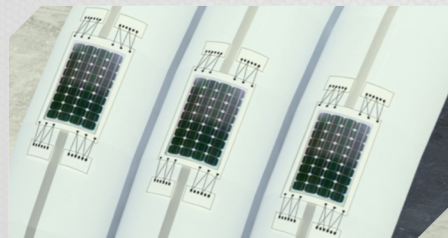
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### INFLATION PROCESS:

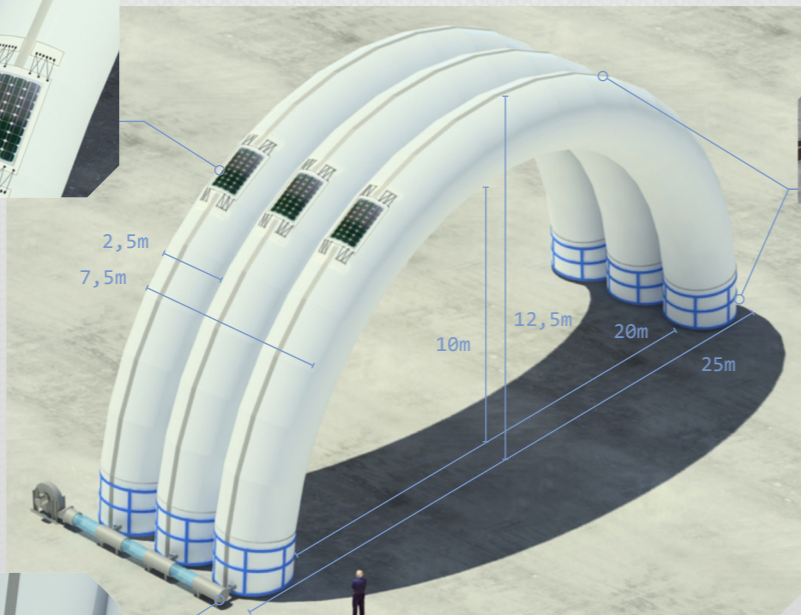
First inflation in about 30 minutes.  
Pressure 20mbar

### MANTENANCE:

5-6 minutes of air inflation once a day  
Pressure inflation is automatically activated when pressure decreases below 10mbar, inflating again up to 20mbar  
Total energy consumption aprox. 250W/day



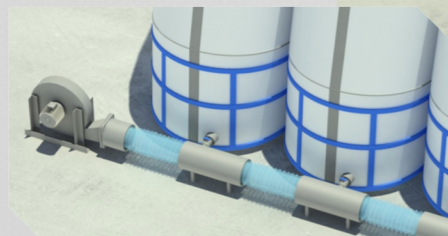
PHOTOVOLTAIC CELLS (NAIZIL)



EMERGENCY SHELTER (one module)

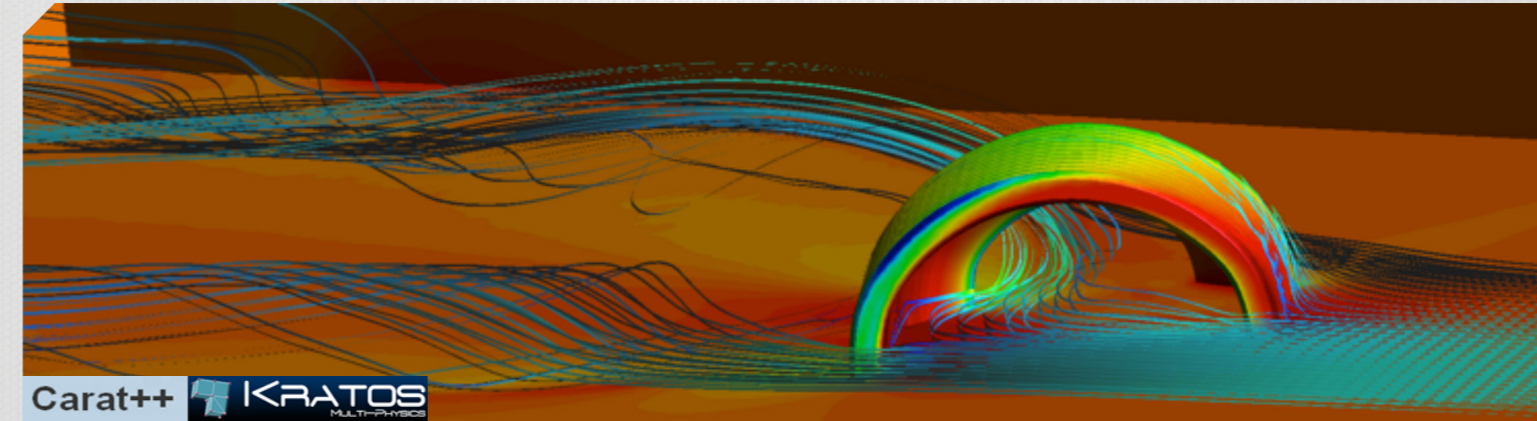


REGLASS STRIPES AND ANCHORAGE (REGLASS)



BLOWER AND AIR-DUCTS SYSTEM

- » Standard available area (1 module): **150 m<sup>2</sup>**
- » Weight: **250 kg/tube**
- » Folded volume: **0,75 m<sup>3</sup>/tube**
- » Average setup time: **less than 2 hours**
- » Recommended personnel: **8 people**



Carat++ KRATOS MULTI-PHYSICS

VIRTUAL WIND TUNNEL (CIMNE AND TUM)

### TECHNOLOGICAL IMPROVEMENTS:

#### » BETTER PERFORMANCES:

- » **SUSTAINABLE** Flexible photovoltaic SOLARPANEL modules will be used on the shelter thanks to the very low energetic requirements achieved
- » **LESS AIR LEAKAGE** Leakage reduction from values around 2000m<sup>3</sup>/h down to values lower than 0,1m<sup>3</sup>/h thanks to an improvement in the manufacturing process and the use of materials with better PVC coating
- » **NO NEED OF CONTINUOUS AIR IMPULSION** A "mixed" system has been designed, which combines the energy storage by means of "over-pressure energy" and the use of batteries to store the "extra" energy generated by the photovoltaic cells

#### » INNOVATIVE MATERIALS

- » **FLEXIBLE PHOTOVOLTAIC CELLS:** SOLARPANEL. Material characterization via uniaxial and biaxial tensile tests performed.

- » **FLEXIBLE CARBON FIBER STRIPES:** development and testing of a new high-toughened thermosetting resin. 0.15-0.33mm thickness, some cm curvature radius. Creation and testing of new anchorage system (FIG REGLASS STRIPES AND ANCHORAGE)

#### » INNOVATIVE SOLAR ENERGY SYSTEM

- » 3 SOLARPANELS Nominal power 80W each
- » 220Ah battery + inverter + charge controller
- » ACS (Automatic Control System): to automatize and remote control the parameters and behavior of the structure

#### » NEW INTEGRATED DESIGN TOOL

An integrated VIRTUAL WIND TUNNEL tool has been developed for the calculation and design of the shelter.

- » Both CFD and FSI calculation.
- » Atmospheric Boundary Layer Generator Module.
- » User friendly integrated pre and post processing



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