

FINEST MINERAL ADDITIVES

Abstract

Highly variable and ubiquitous FINEST mineral additives in plastics limit high-quality recycling and cause environmental issues and human toxicity. FINEST mineral additives develops and demonstrates mixed mineral / plastic waste recycling value chains by combining pyrolysis of mechanically pretreated demolition waste from external thermal insulation composite systems (ETICS) with the processing of recycled cement clinker (RC-Cement) to maximize both, utilization of organics and inorganics as secondary industrial feedstock. The main achievement is a ready-to-transfer demonstration of the generic value chain at TRL 5 level, making use of the pyrolysis pilot plant and the new "R-Zement" calcination pilot plant at KIT. We will evaluate the toxicological risk of waste feedstocks, intermediates, and recycled materials. Finally, a networked concept for waste ETICS is developed, based on an assessment of local/decentral and integrated plastics and mineral fines recycling.

Work Packages

Materials and Analytics **WP1**
ITC, Technical Mineralogy

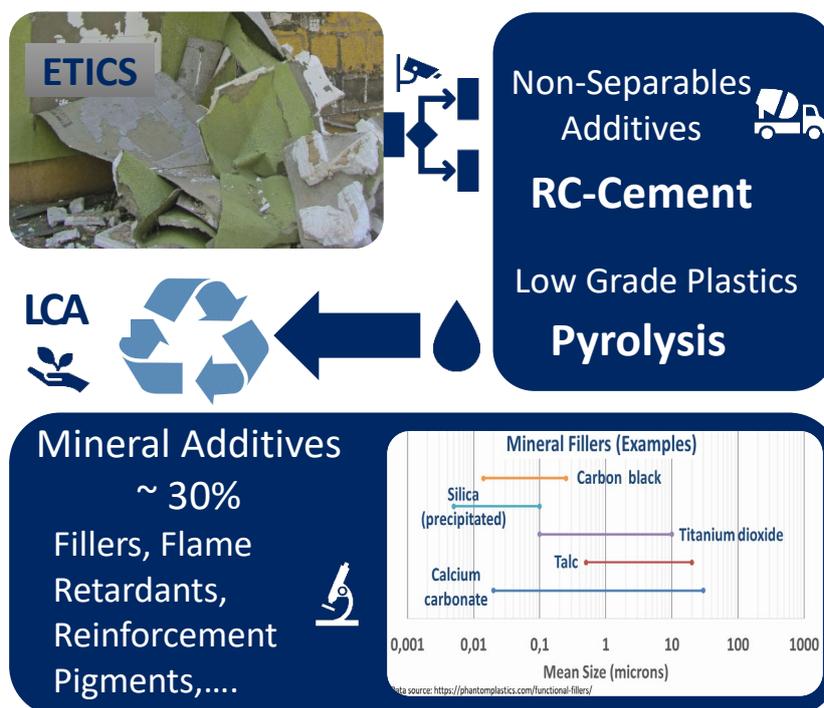
Sensors (Process Control) **WP2**
Helmholtz Institute Freiberg

Pyrolysis **WP3**
ITC, Pyrolysis and Gas treatment

RC-Cement **WP4**
ITC, Technical Mineralogy

Health and Environment **WP5**
ITC, Aerosols and Particles

LCA for decentralized Plant **WP6**
Institute for Industrial Production (IIP. KIT)



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