# Lighthouse Metal Energy Carrier





### Project Description

The success of **iron as a circular fuel** cannot be achieved without a method to **cost-effectively regenerate iron oxide** back into iron powder. Reduction has been done for many years, but not yet in a sustainable way and not with the goal of storing sustainable energy.

## The Lighthouse MEC project focuses on answering the questions:

- What is the most appropriate regeneration technology?
- Which business case is most suitable to bring the iron fuel technology to the market?

Three reactor prototypes are being developed that employ their sweet spot in the temperature window for iron powder reduction:

### **Fluidised Bed**



#### **Rotating Drum**



#### **Entrained Flow**



#### Partners

TU/e EINDHOVEN UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY

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RIFT

#### 500 °C

800 °C

- Slow process
- ✓ No sticking
- Pyrophoric powder?
- ✓ Known technology
- Fast process

1100 °C

- Sticking
- Pyrophoric powder?
  - Known technology

This project has been made possible by financial contributions of Shell and the Province Noord-Brabant.

1400 °C

**Provincie Noord-Brabant** 

- Super fast process
- ✓ No sticking
  - Non-pyrophoric powder
- New technology

