



Alessandro MORABITO

Research And Development Manager

Experience

Since 2021 **Research Associate & Project Manager** EPFL, Switzerland

- Lead complex 3D CAD design and Computational Fluid Dynamics (CFD) analyses to simulate and understand intricate water-flow conditions and system performances.
- Develop analytical and numerical models to support the feasibility analysis for hydropower plant operations with cross-functional engineering teams. Perform the monitoring of the operational parameters, constraints and risk identification.
- Partnered with machine learning team for the components fatigue prediction in hydropower generation.
- Develop and lead research portfolios, demonstrating proficiency in strategic planning and execution for experimental and numerical investigations.
- Redact reports, write scientific papers, and experience in applying for funding.

2014 - 2021 **R&D Engineer** ATM-ULB, Belgium

- Engaged in the analysis and thermodynamics modelling of Compressed air energy storage (CAES) systems and thermal storage – (CAES-CET prj)
- Designed and delivered a first-of-its-kind micro-pumped hydro energy storage installation integrated into a SmartGrid – (Smart-Water prj)
- Conducted thermo-fluid-dynamic analysis into a light helicopter air-intake supported by numerical 3D analysis – (ESPOSA prj)
- Managed technical-economic calculations to define the required investments for prosumers and examine new business cases to support the energy transition: the Belgian case – (EPOC 2030-2050 prj)

2016 **Design Engineer Intern** Ensival-Moret, Belgium

Developed a numerical model specifically designed to assist in the well-informed selection of commercial centrifugal pumps for use in generating mode. This model incorporates both economic and technical considerations.

Education

2017 - 2021 **Ph.D. in Engineering Sciences and Technology** Université libre de Bruxelles, Belgium

- Research goals focused on alternative hydropower technologies.
- Organized and planned experimental and numerical tests.

Thesis titled *Experimental and numerical analysis of a Pump as Turbine in micro Pumped Hydro Energy Storage*.

- Teaching assistant of M.Sc. courses of *Turbomachinery* and *Aircraft propulsion and gas turbine engine*. Developed the ability to synthesize and communicate large amounts of complex information. Supervised and guided master students in their thesis work.

2018 - 2020 **M.Sc. in Science of Management** Vrije Universiteit Brussel, Belgium

Developed a broad overview of all aspects of modern business management: financial and managerial accounting, supply chain, HR, business and corporate strategy, strategic marketing, corporate finance and investments.

Thesis titled *Business Model For Energy Management Enterprises*

2011 - 2014 **M.Sc. in Energy Engineering** Politecnico di Milano, Italy

Specializing in power generation and thermofluid dynamics

Additional Training

- Sustainability and Corporate ESG | Practical Implementation, Prof. Eng. M.Oliveira, UFPR, Online
- Multi-objective optimization problems and algorithms, Udemy, Online
- Centrifugal and Axial Pumps Design, Performance and Problem Solving, NREC-concept, Germany
- Deepening in renewable energy technologies, ULPGC, Spain

Publications Authorship and co-authorship in 10+ international journal and conference papers. A detailed list is provided at [GScholar](#) or [in](#).

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About me

Experienced mechanical engineer with 9+ years in applied energy research. Seeking opportunities to apply interdisciplinary expertise to drive sustainable business development. Passionate about delivering innovative solutions to challenging engineering problems.

Skills

- Problem solving • Data analysis
- Experimental and numerical analysis
- Cost-benefit analysis • DOE • Design Optimization • Data synthesis & communication • Project management
- Teamwork • Cross-cultural awareness
- Knowledge in IEC.60193 • Ability to write at different levels: brief abstracts to book-length manuscripts
- CAD: CatiaV5, Solid Edge, Solid Works
- Data Management: Office, \LaTeX , MATLAB, Python
- Simulation Software: ANSYS Fluent and Workbench, NUMECA Open/Turbo
- CFD tools: SpaceClaim, ICEM, CFD-Post, Autogrid5, CFView

Languages

Invited Chairman and speaker at international conferences and seminars.

Italian Native speaker

English Highly proficient

French Conversational proficient

Spanish Basic speaking

German Basic knowledge