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Topics

- The Kassel-Calden Airport project
- Used technology concepts
- The implementation in practice
- The energy benefits in total compared to a standard installation
- The lifetime benefits and
- Technology and cost estimation for the increase of work safety by implementation of the Safety Extra Low Voltage (SELV) standard.

## **The Kassel-Calden Airport Project**

**Regional Airport Kassel-Calden:** 

IATA-Code: KSF

> ICAO-CODE: EDVK

**Opening date:** 

> 04 April 2013

**Runway details:** 

length:	<b>2.500 m</b>	
width:	45 m	
orientation:	09 / 27	
ILS CAT I (09) and	CAT III/b (27) operation	on

## **New Kassel-Calden Airport**

Halogen Lights (6.6A)	708
LED Lights (2.2 A)	981
LED-Flash Lights (35 VAC)	44
Single Lamp Control Units	781
Primary Cable	147 km (91 miles)
Secondary Cable (2,5 mm <sup>2</sup> ; AWG 13)	59 km (37 miles)
Secondary Cable (2,5 mm <sup>2</sup> ; AWG 13) CCRs	59 km (37 miles) 52
Secondary Cable (2,5 mm <sup>2</sup> ; AWG 13) CCRs Total Power for all Circuits	59 km (37 miles) 52 181 kW

## Used technology concepts

### **Construction details airfield lighting**



# LED Taxiway Light Fixture

Light fixture constructed for both secondary current systems

Automatically adapting electronic for

≻ 6.6 A or

> 2.2 A use



### LED Approach Sequence Flash Light





Light fixture constructed for max. 100'000 cd peak intensity

Light fixture are powered with SELV 35 VAC

### **New Kassel-Calden Airport**

### **Power station**



### **Construction CCR transformer**



- Primary transformer cabinets:
  - Footprint saving
  - Easy to maintain
  - Clear separation
    between high
    (transformer) and
    low (CCR) voltage

### **New Kassel-Calden Airport**

### **Construction details transformer rack**





- Max. three levels of transformer's
  - Cut Out (secondary circuit)
    - Disconnection secondary cable
    - Grounding
      - > Transformer
      - > Secondary cable

➢ Result

 Clear separation between transformer level and secondary circuit

### **Construction details cabling**



- All cabling is done under the elevated floor level
- each room has a fire separation

### ➢ Result

Clear room concept

# **Field installation**

### runway system



### Taxiway system



# **Manhole installation**



### What are the reasons to go for a new LED circuit design

# **Technical Background**

The aim of the system design is to get the best balance in between

- Energy saving
- Reduction of maintenance
  - Life time of the installations
  - Minimum of different spare parts
- High grade of work safety

### Where are the losses in the LED circuits?



- The total losses at nominal power are ~57 kW
- The losses on the secondary cable forms with 31 kW (54%) the major portion.
- To reduce that losses it was decided to reduce the secondary current to 2.2 A

### Principle design of the 6.6 / 2.2 series circuit



## The savings in losses for the 2,2 A on the secondary



- The 2,2 A secondary current decrease the losses on the sec. cable about 89%
- The savings losses are in total ~55% at nominal power
- The interesting question:

What are the actual effective savings and how much the change of primary current could add?

### What is the share of the intensity steps in the AGL?

Statistically share for a midsize CAT III Airport in Germany



### What are finally the effective savings?



As the diagram shows the effective losses are just 1/10 of the calculated nominal losses!

# What happened if we reduce the primary current?

- Could there be any disadvantages to go for the additional saving by reducing the primary current?
- Decreasing the current automatically requires an increase of the voltage.



# What is the effect of the voltage to the installation?

- Voltage results an electrical field that stresses the insulation material
- Particular in areas with a high concentration of the electrical field the aging of material results a "treeing" with micro discharges





What is the effect to the life time of the installation?

 The literature gives an empirical life time law Life time ~ 1/U<sup>n</sup> (n= 9 ... 11) \*)



Life Time depending on the Voltage



<sup>\*</sup>Tilman Weiers; Diss. ETH Nr. 17363; Eine Methode zur aussagekräftigeren Bewertung von Maschinenisolierungen

## Lower voltage compared to lower current?

- Reducing the circuit voltage provides
  - "Ever" lasting installations (particular for joints, connectors, transformers)
  - Higher grade of work safety with circuits less than 1000 V
  - Best support of SELV-Installations
- Reducing the primary current
  - 1,1 kW additional effective savings on the whole AGL

### **The current situation at Kassel-Calden?**

• The black columns are the theoretical 2,2A low current circuits



### **Personal safety aspects**

- The new 6.6 A / 2.2 A transformers installed at Kassel-Calden Airport fulfills already the proposed new IEC 62870 about the SELV supply for the LED-lights.
- All LED circuits are below 700 VAC and does not require high voltage certifications.
- The LED sequence flash light is powered with 35 VAC according to SELV.

## Conclusion

- Energy optimized installations will not consider automatically safety and life time aspects.
- To stay on the 6,6 A and choose for the lower voltage brings best benefits for installation life time and work safety
- The change to the SELV supply provides the first time real work safety on the airport.
- To change to 2,2 A on the secondary minimize the major losses.
- Automatically adapting light fixtures allow to operate mixed installations

### What installation provides the best ?



Considering all aspects the 6.6 A / 2.2 A installation provides the optimum in energy, life time and safety.



### **Questions?**

# Thank you for your attention.

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