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# Split-Screen Approach to Financial Modeling in Sustainable Fleet Management

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## Abstract

Large-scale transitions to eco-friendly vehicle fleets present complex capital budgeting challenges, requiring the integration of extensive operational data with financial modeling while balancing economic profitability and environmental sustainability. Traditional approaches often struggle to manage this complexity and quantify the inherent trade-offs. This study develops and applies an innovative integrated accounting-and-finance framework to evaluate the economic and environmental implications of green fleet transition projects, explicitly quantifying the trade-off between profitability and sustainability. Focusing on waste vehicle replacement of Iren Spa, a leading European multi-utility company, we employ the recently developed Split-Screen Approach, a unified accounting-and-finance framework grounded in the laws of motion and conservation. It automatically reconciles pro forma financial statements and generates internally consistent valuation metrics, eliminating the manual adjustments and inconsistencies of traditional models. Its built-in diagnostic checks and scalability for highly complex datasets overcome the manual adjustments and inconsistencies inherent in traditional financial models. We process 2303 inputs across multiple “green” scenarios. This methodology integrates an Engineering Model, describing fleet evolution, operating costs, and CO<sub>2</sub> reduction, with a HookUp Model, which serves to transform scenarios into well-defined projects. The latter model is then integrated with a Financial Model that generates pro forma financial statements, incorporates financing and payout policies, and assesses economic profitability through Net Present Value (NPV) and consistent accounting rates of return. Together, these elements form a robust framework for managing complex data integration and analysis. Our research reveals a fundamental trade-off: enhanced environmental sustainability (measured by Net Green Value, NGV), which quantifies CO<sub>2</sub> reduction, is achieved at the expense of economic profitability, measured by NPV. This financial sacrifice is captured by the Net Value Curve, a Pareto frontier, while the NPV-to-NGV ratio provides “shadow prices” for CO<sub>2</sub> reduction, revealing the financial cost per unit of sustainability gained. Based on 21 project scenarios and additional sensitivity analyses on financial inputs and energy prices, the results confirm a decreasing relationship between NGV and NPV. This study makes three main contributions: (1) it demonstrates the practical application of the Split-Screen Approach for capital budgeting under complexity, (2) it introduces the Net Value Curve framework as a useful tool for visualizing and quantifying the trade-off between profitability and sustainability, (3) it provides managers and policymakers actionable insights, supporting more informed decisions in green fleet transition planning where economic and environmental objectives may conflict. The findings provide managers and policymakers with a rigorous and transparent



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accounting-and-finance framework that enhances the reliability of capital budgeting decisions compared with traditional financial modeling, while offering a Paretian frontier for evaluating environmental trade-offs.

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## 1. Introduction

Vehicle replacement policies play a central role in the waste management industry due to their direct impact on operational efficiency, environmental sustainability, and financial performance. Fleet vehicles are essential for waste collection, transportation, and disposal, and their aging or inefficiency can lead to increased maintenance costs, higher emissions, and reduced service reliability. Transitioning to eco-friendly fleets, such as electric or hybrid vehicles, is increasingly prioritized to meet stringent environmental regulations and corporate sustainability goals. However, balancing the economic viability of such transitions with environmental benefits remains a significant challenge. This study investigates the intersection of sustainability and profitability within vehicle replacement decisions. We introduce a new integrated accounting-and-finance system designed to assist business decision-makers concerned with both shareholder value creation and environmental sustainability. Specifically, our focus centers on the challenge faced by an Italian company, Iren Ambiente, a subsidiary of Iren Spa, a leading Italian multi-utility company, to explore this trade-off in a real-world context and define a strategic plan in alignment with IREN Group's Action plan for "green" mobility. Italy's waste management sector, with its unique regulatory and infrastructural constraints, provides an ideal setting to examine the complexities of sustainable fleet transitions. Our analysis studies the bi-objective problem (sustainability vs. profitability) of vehicle replacement policies within the waste management industry, exploring various plans for Iren Ambiente's fleet of 1435 vehicles under different fuel selection policies. This paper aims to quantify in a rigorous way the economic value associated with a given replacement policy and, in addition, to measure the CO<sub>2</sub> emission reduction associated with each green scenario. This study offers actionable insights for similar organizations addressing the objective of analyzing economic profitability and take into account the degree of sustainability for each scenario considered.

While replacement projects fall within the realm of capital budgeting projects, which is a primary focus in corporate finance, they are often approached differently in the engineering literature (further discussed in the following section). Engineering emphasizes a project's operational facets: it explores the technical intricacies, optimization processes, and the selection of suitable tools to maximize (or minimize) some objective function within a set of constraints. In contrast, finance centers on assessing the economic value generated by the project: pro forma financial statements are constructed to estimate book values of assets, revenues, costs, earnings, and cash flows associated with the project. These calculations aid in determining the project's economic profitability, typically using some financial metric such as the Net Present Value or some rate of return. This assessment assists companies in making economically sound evaluations of projects. A financial analyst often overlooks operational subtleties and opts for a narrower set of parameters to streamline the financial model. Conversely, engineers may tend to simplify or disregard accounting elements and eliminate financial complexities in an effort to streamline the operational model. Both perspectives emphasize one aspect while overlooking the essential connection between engineering and finance. Recognizing the potential for mutual benefit, this paper highlights

that both fields can complement each other and aims to merge the two perspectives using a new integrated accounting-and-finance model, developed in Magni (2020, 2023). This framework refines traditional financial modeling by systematically integrating engineering and accounting dimensions, incorporating the firm's payout and retention policy, and applying diagnostic tools that validate the financial model, thus helping to avoid common errors found in conventional modeling (see Baschieri & Magni, 2023; Magni, 2025).

A core contribution of this study is the application of the *Split-Screen Approach* (SSA), a novel accounting-and-finance system that introduces unprecedented rigor in modeling capital budgeting projects (see Magni, 2020, 2023; Baschieri & Magni, 2023; Magni, 2025).

Existing literature relies heavily on optimization techniques using simplified financial models and proxies (see section on literature review below), which fail to capture the intricate interdependencies between operational drivers, accounting constructs, and financial valuation. This gap is especially critical for complex projects, where thousands of inputs dynamically interact (e.g., asset lifespans, tax policies, debt schedules) across a multi-year horizon. How can a capital budgeting framework integrate a vast set of operational and financial inputs into a dynamically consistent model that preserves accounting-valuation coherence, explicitly incorporates payout and financing policies, and automatically reconciles pro forma financial statements with project valuation metrics, thereby overcoming the limitations of traditional modeling techniques? The SSA addresses this by establishing dynamic linkages within financial statements and between financial statements and value creation, using the Split-Screen Matrix (SSM) framework and built-in diagnostic tools (see Magni, 2020, 2023, 2025). Unlike previous contributions, this paper

- integrates engineering outputs with pro forma financial statements (balance sheets, income statements, cash flow statements);
- measures financial efficiency across operating, non-operating, debt, and equity areas using consistent metrics such as NPV, residual income, average accounting rates of return;
- processes 2303 inputs dynamically—including vehicle-specific costs, tax effects, working-capital policy, and debt schedules—into 105 interdependent financial statements through automated accounting linkages, offering a level of granularity unattainable with existing capital budgeting tools.

This automation ensures dynamic accounting consistency over time, eliminating the manual reconciliations typical of standard models. To our knowledge, no prior study has offered a financial valuation of comparable analytical complexity for a capital budgeting project of this scale.

This work represents the first implementation of the SSA for a capital budgeting project of this scale and complexity (2303 inputs, 1435 vehicles, 50 vehicle types, 17-year horizon). By applying it to Iren Ambiente's fleet, a context with high vehicle heterogeneity and strict operational constraints, we demonstrate how the SSA enables scalable, robust financial modeling for any large-scale capital budgeting project, regardless of complexity or volume.

We start from what we call the "Engineering model", incorporating a very large number of operational inputs, which feed into a robust accounting-and-financial model, capable of assessing the economic profitability across multiple scenarios. More specifically, we manage a total of 2303 inputs across five "green scenarios", enabling simultaneous analysis and comparison, matching economic profitability with environmental sustainability. The primary output is represented by the "Net Value" curve, which illustrates the combination of Net Present Value (NPV) for the value creation and the Net Green Value (NGV) for CO<sub>2</sub> emission reduction. As the NGV increases, both project NPV and equity NPV decrease, testifying of a decreasing relation between economic value and environmental value. In

other words, we find a trade-off between “being greener” and “being richer”. The Net Value curve is then a Pareto frontier quantifying how much value the company must give up to increase the degree of its environmental sustainability. The ratio of the NPV to the NGV supplies the “shadow” prices of a one-ton CO<sub>2</sub> reduction, providing precise quantification of IREN’s sacrificed value for every ton of CO<sub>2</sub> reduction in each green scenario. The shadow prices are increasing with respect to the degree of sustainability of a replacement policy: the more environmentally friendly the replacement policy adopted, the greater the financial sacrifice. To further investigate the functional relation between the NGV and the NPV, we expand the analysis to additional 16 green scenarios, up to a total of 21 scenarios. This extended scope offers a comprehensive view of the NPV sacrifice concerning CO<sub>2</sub> total reduction ranging from 0 to 140,000 tons. The outcome reveals a strictly decreasing, concave function of NGV, with an increasing marginal rate of substitution, as verified by a degree-2 polynomial regression with a remarkably high coefficient of determination ( $R^2 = 0.9935$ ).

The architecture of our accounting-and-finance system is developed within a spreadsheet software, which is publicly available at <https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.17381603>. It includes a first section that collects the inputs, classified into five classes:

- (i) operating inputs (influencing the value of operating assets and liabilities),
- (ii) non-operating inputs (impacting the balance of liquid assets),
- (iii) debt inputs (affecting the company’s outstanding debt),
- (iv) equity inputs (influencing the equity capital),
- (v) market data (affecting the required rates of return).

The technical inputs are processed within the *Engineering model* with the purpose of calculating the total CO<sub>2</sub> reduction associated with each scenario (NGV) and of feeding the *HookUp model*, which is designed to bridge the engineering and financial perspectives. This model also processes debt data and other operational inputs, converting the five scenarios into five distinct projects. The outputs of the HookUp model, along with the remaining inputs, are then fed into the *Financial model*, which finalizes the financial planning and performs the financial valuation and efficiency analysis. For the construction of pro forma financial statements, we adopt the SSA and manage intrinsic operational risk using the well-known Capital Asset Pricing Model (CAPM). The market value of operating assets is assessed using the Adjusted Present Value (APV) method (Myers, 1974), enabling the computation of NPVs. Rates of return and financial efficiencies for each project are also calculated. Ultimately, the NPV and the NGV together form the Net Value curve. The remainder of the paper is structured as follows. Section 2 offers the background framework encompassing vehicle replacement problems, financial planning, and project appraisal methods. Section 3 provides insights into green mobility within IREN’s Action Plan. Section 4 introduces the problem, outlines its architecture, and details the spreadsheet composition used for the development of the engineering-and-finance system. Section 5 illustrates the inputs. Section 6 describes the Engineering model. Section 7 explains the HookUp model. Section 8 presents the Financial model. Section 9 shows and discusses the outputs. Section 10 contains concluding remarks.<sup>1</sup>

## 2. Literature Review

In capital budgeting analysis, replacement projects are one of three types: expansion projects, abandonment projects, and replacement projects. Modeling the latter is more difficult because they exhibit characteristics of both expansion projects and abandonment projects: on one hand, they resemble expansion projects, because capital expenditures arise due to purchases of new plant assets; on the other hand, they are similar to abandonment projects, because the disinvestments of fixed assets cause a reduction in the capital invested

by the firm. In corporate finance, capital budgeting projects undergo detailed scrutiny, focusing on two aspects: financial planning and financial valuation. Financial planning consists of creating detailed pro forma financial statements throughout the project's lifespan (e.g., Benninga, 2014; Benninga & Mofkadi, 2018); financial valuation consists of the determination of some key metrics that capture the project's economic created value and financial efficiency (Berk & DeMarzo, 2014; Brealey et al., 2019; Ross et al., 2019). For a replacement project, handling simultaneous investments and disinvestments poses challenging problems. This includes concerns about the invested capital, commercial debt (accounts payable), financing mix to cover the cash deficits, tax effects, relation between costs and outflows, valuation methodologies, and estimates of the required rates of return as benchmark cutoffs for financial evaluation. The extant literature offers two main approaches: corporate finance emphasizes accounting and financial aspects, while engineering focuses on optimization. Finance models seek to extract economic value from projects (Damodaran, 2006; Brealey et al., 2019), while engineering typically focuses on optimizing a given objective by manipulating specific variables (Khasnabis et al., 2003; Keles & Hartman, 2004). However, as Riechi et al. (2017) suggest, a more nuanced approach is essential to address the multifaceted nature of managerial decisions, integrating accounting and financial factors with engineering considerations. The replacement problem, proposed since 1940s (Bain, 1939; Preinreich, 1940; Terborgh, 1949) has evolved considerably in the 1950s and 1960s in the fields of economics, industrial engineering, operations research, and management science (e.g., Bellman, 1955; Eilon et al., 1966; Meyer, 1971). The fleet replacement problem, a particular case of the broader replacement problem, applies to diverse contexts and is examined from multiple angles, covering various fleet types such as commercial electric trucks, personal vehicles, buses, and other categories (Feldman & Valdez-Flores, 2010; Feng & Figliozzi, 2013; Pedraza-Martinez & Van Wassenhove, 2013; Ahani et al., 2016; Kontou et al., 2017; Emiliano et al., 2020; Abouee-Mehrizi et al., 2021; Shi et al., 2022). A literature review on equipment replacement analysis can be found in Hartman and Tan (2014) (See also Keles & Hartman, 2004). The extensive body of research in management science has led the development of vehicle replacement models, optimizing decisions related to vehicle procurement, usage, maintenance, and disposal (Figliozzi et al., 2013). Following the origins of formal optimization models for machine replacement in the 1950s (Bellman, 1955), research has expanded to encompass diverse fleet types, including transit and police fleets (Rees et al., 1982; Khasnabis et al., 2003). Studies have incorporated elements like purchase economies, budget constraints, and fleet size fluctuations (Karabakal et al., 1994; Stasko & Gao, 2012). Also, there have been complex analyses involving the integration of vehicle manufacturing waste into automotive life-cycle assessments (Kim et al., 2003). In the IREN case, there are no fleet size fluctuations (the number of vehicles will be kept constant), the maximum age limit of each vehicle is set by the technical department, and any budget constraint is overcome by resorting to external debt.

The use of accounting and finance principles for engineering projects were recognized long since and have grown dramatically in recent decades. In recent years, there has been a growing adoption of diverse accounting and financial metrics measuring value creation and economic efficiency in industrial applications; among others, the most widely used measures of worth are Net Present Value (NPV), Return On Investment (ROI), Internal Rate of Return (IRR). To name just a few recent contributions, Mørch et al. (2017) employed Magni's (2010) AIRR approach for shipping renewal projects; Menezes et al. (2015) used ROI to network design; Dhavale and Sarkis (2018) applied the IRR to sustainable asset investments generating carbon credits; Leyman and Vanhoucke (2017) addressed project scheduling with NPV optimization; Magni et al. (2022) analyzed the impact of a company's payout policy on NPV in a solar photovoltaic project. Recently, an integrated approach to

financial modeling has been introduced in Magni (2020, 2023) that transcends traditional modeling approaches. By enforcing a *law of motion* and a *law of conservation* across all pro forma statements, the SSA guarantees exact reconciliation between accounting records and valuation metrics, a level of internal consistency and diagnostic power that conventional capital budgeting models cannot achieve. Specifically, this framework is characterized by

- Frugality: the approach relies on just two core principles, the *law of motion* and the *law of conservation*, streamlining the toolkit without sacrificing rigor,
- Dual-purpose design: the same two principles govern both financial planning (ensuring accounting consistency) and financial valuation (grounded in corporate finance principles),
- Simplicity: these principles are expressed as basic algebraic relationships, capable of fully encapsulating the connections between accounting and financial variables,
- Transparency: the model utilizes explicit data from the pro forma financial statements, directly reflect key business assumptions,
- Analytical power: the approach employs a logical system that systematically “engineers” project accounting and finance,
- Internal consistency: automatic diagnostic checks verify the model’s robustness
- Integrated dynamic visualization: a Split-Screen Matrix visually maps accounting and financial interconnections, blending intuitive understanding with analytical precision,
- Accessibility: the system is ready-to-use, easily implementable in standard spreadsheet by non-experts and requires no traditional financial formulas.

This approach is particularly effective for large-scale projects with extensive input data, making it the ideal methodology for our study. Additionally, the SSA facilitates the reconciliation of accounting and financial economic profitability metrics and decision criteria, such as NPV, residual income, and accounting rates of return; this distinguishes it from traditional financial modeling methods. Table 1 contrasts the key features of the SSM method with conventional capital budgeting models, highlighting the distinct advantages that these traditional methods lack.

In recent years, environmental considerations have ushered in a new dimension to fleet replacement models, where greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions are treated as a cost element. Notable studies, such as those by Feng and Figliozzi (2013) and Feldman and Valdez-Flores (2010) address this aspect. Ahani et al. (2016) and Emiliano et al. (2020) introduce Mixed-Integer Programming and portfolio theory, respectively, to minimize Life Cycle Costs and GHG emissions. Perboli and Rosano (2019) combine traditional and green logistics from both business and operational viewpoints, highlighting the operational and economic impacts of adopting green vehicles. These models are instrumental in assessing the competitiveness of alternative vehicle options and aligning fleet replacement strategies with sustainability goals (Xiao et al., 2023). Large vehicle fleets are indispensable for many organizations, including both private corporations and government agencies, to achieve their objectives. The management of such extensive fleets necessitates substantial capital investments and ongoing operational expenses. There is an increasing emphasis on strategies to minimize costs associated with vehicle replacement, with a growing focus on reducing emissions as a primary consideration (Stasko & Gao, 2012). In general, the literature on the relationship between environmental sustainability and the economic evaluation of investment projects has grown significantly, and it is now common for environmental objectives to be paired with economic ones (e.g., Ries et al., 2006; Silva et al., 2019). Considering the above framework, it is essential for companies to plan medium- to long-term investments that aim to reduce the environmental impact of their activities.

**Table 1.** Comparison of the Split-Screen Approach (SSA) and traditional financial modeling.

Feature	Split-Screen Approach (SSA)	Traditional Financial Modeling
Foundational principles	Built on the laws of motion and conservation, ensuring rigorous accounting–valuation coherence	Relies on ad hoc formulas and spreadsheet conventions, often lacking explicit theoretical grounding
Financial planning and valuation	One unified framework serves both pro-forma planning and project valuation	Typically separates planning (financial statements) and valuation (discounted cash flow)
Linkages across statements	Dynamic, automated linkages make inter-statement flows and cross-period relationships transparent	Connections among balance sheet, income, and cash flow statements are hidden or manually updated as plugs
Consistency of metrics	Generates NPV, residual income, and accounting rates of return from the same internally consistent dataset	Metrics are computed from separate worksheets or simplified cash-flow proxies, generating inconsistencies
Need for manual reconciliations (“plugs”)	No plugs: built-in accounting identities ensure automatic balance across statements and periods	Require cash or debt “plugs” and other manual adjustments to force statements to reconcile
Diagnostic tools	Built-in checks identify accounting or valuation imbalances in real time	No inherent diagnostics; errors are concealed by “plugs” and are revealed only through manual review
Integration of policies	Explicitly incorporates payout (distribution) and financing policies into the valuation engine	Financing and payout assumptions are simplified (e.g., constant leverage) or handled outside the model
Transparency and accessibility	Uses basic spreadsheet functions with clear cell logic; users can trace every number	Relies on complex formulas or financial formulas that obscure assumptions and increase error risk
Scalability and complexity handling	Processes thousands of operational and financial inputs (e.g., 2303 inputs → 105 statements) while maintaining internal balance	Becomes unstable or error-prone as input size and interdependencies grow
Accounting and finance reconciliation	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Embeds accounting identities and valuation logic in one framework, ensuring NPV and related metrics align with book values and income measures.</li> <li>2. Ensures a unified, internally consistent basis for both planning and valuation</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Keeps accounting statements and valuation metrics largely separate, so cash-flow indicators (e.g., IRR) can diverge from reported earnings and invested capital.</li> <li>2. Requires judgment calls and manual bridges to explain differences, increasing complexity and risk of misinterpretation</li> </ol>

Several environmental indicators are available. For example, the Ellen MacArthur Foundation’s circular economy principles promote sustainability by reducing waste, extending product life, and enhancing resource efficiency. Similarly, ISO standards offer frameworks for improving environmental performance through resource use, waste reduction, and emissions control. However, this study focuses on CO<sub>2</sub> reduction, in line with the explicit request by IREN Group, as it provides a direct and measurable outcome.

### 3. Problem Description

IREN Group, operating across Emilia Romagna, Liguria, and Piemonte with over 10,000 employees, plans €10.5 billion in investments through 2031, with a strong focus on sustainable mobility. The “IrenGO” program aims to convert 67% of the corporate fleet to low-emission vehicles, including electric cars, vans, waste collection vehicles, and heavy vehicles, supported by an extensive charging infrastructure. As of 2022, IREN had 6300 vehicles, of which 1250 use alternative fuels, including 950 electric vehicles supported by nearly 1000 charging points. Progress toward electrification has been influenced by recent acquisitions, with fleet policies gradually extended to new subsidiaries.

This study focuses on Iren Ambiente, the waste management subsidiary, which operates a fleet of 3800 vehicles. Fleet renewal follows both economic and operational guidelines, classifying investments as inertial (replacements) or developmental (expansion). Replacement decisions consider age, usage, fuel consumption, and performance. Fuel selection is dictated by three procurement strategies:

- a conservative approach, favoring traditional fuels;
- a balanced approach, involving a mix of traditional fuel and alternative fuels (replacing some vehicles with identical types and fuel while introducing electric vehicles for others);
- an innovative approach, promoting acquisition of low-emission fuels.

Building on this context, the problem addressed in this study is the evaluation of Iren Ambiente's vehicle policies for the period 2023–2040, with the objective of maximizing the economic value created while minimizing the emission of CO<sub>2</sub>. We evaluate five vehicle replacement policies with increasing level of environmental sustainability (from 1 to 5) and match them against the current replacement policy (status quo), whereby every vehicle is replaced by an equivalent one. This boils down to appraising five different (mutually exclusive) courses of action. In finance terms, this means that we cope with five different vehicle replacement projects, each one associated with a green scenario. We assess the environmental and economic impacts of these replacement projects and rank them accordingly.

A given scenario (and, therefore, a given project) is determined by the choice of fuel type when replacing vehicles, distinguished by the following criteria: (a) selection and allocation policy (expressed in percentages that define the fuel-type choices for new vehicles), (b) starting year of the green policy, that is, the first year when the policy is adopted: before this year, vehicles are replaced with a new vehicle of the same type and fuel (status quo). The model starts with a set of 2303 inputs and produces two outputs: the economic value created by a given green policy (NPV) and the amount of reduction of CO<sub>2</sub>-equivalent (NGV) associated with that policy. We investigate how the change in NGV caused by a change in the replacement policy adopted reflects in a change in the NPV. For this type of analysis, having the goal of studying the economic and environmental impact of green policies on vehicle replacement, and upon suggestion of Iren Ambiente's executives, we have made the following assumptions, with the aim of simplifying the problem (which is very complex in its entirety) and neutralizing the influence of other factors:

- (i) the total fleet consistency remains constant over time (i.e., the analysis is on the inertial investments, not on the development investments);
- (ii) the composition of the fleet in terms of vehicle type remains constant (i.e., a vehicle of a given type is always replaced with a vehicle of the same type, with or without changing fuel according to the green scenario selected);
- (iii) the types of vehicles and fuels available are those known today, with no future assumptions about new vehicles that might be produced in the future. Given the first two assumptions, Iren Ambiente's revenues will not change under changes in the green policy, as they are independent of the fuel of the vehicles (this implies that the incremental revenues of each scenario as opposed to the status quo will be zero).<sup>2</sup>

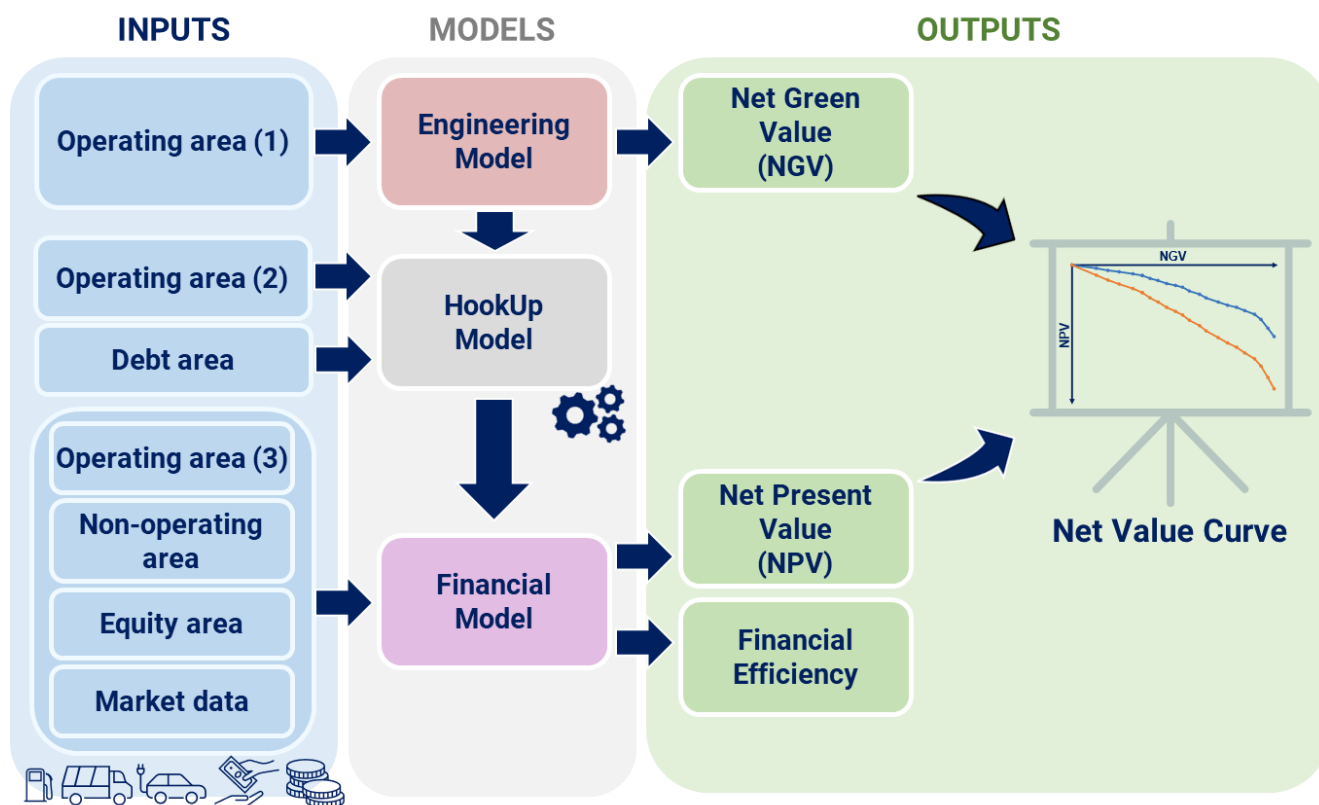
We have implemented this theoretical framework in a spreadsheet software to allow easy compilation of inputs, transparent display of intermediate calculations, immediate consultation of outputs, and easy comparison of the five scenarios. In addition, this choice enables Iren Ambiente (which collaborated in the study by providing its data and know-how) to have an open, customizable, and useful tool for future analysis and processing. The model is flexible enough to enable Iren Ambiente's management team to use this tool for making future decisions on vehicle replacement.

Figure 1 outlines the architecture of the system. We can easily identify the three main blocks:

- (1) "Inputs": containing all the problem input data,
- (2) "Models": processing data from both engineering and financial perspectives,
- (3) "Outputs": presenting the final summarized values, crucial for evaluating projects and aiding decision-making.

In the first block, the inputs belong to five classes, based on the financial magnitude they affect:

- (i) the class of operating inputs, broken down to three classes, according to the model that processes them (Engineering model, HookUp model, Financial model),
- (ii) the class of debt inputs, consisting of data relating to borrowing to cover the capital expenditures (CapEx),
- (iii) the class of non-operating inputs, related to the reinvestment of cash flows generated by the project and not distributed to Iren Ambiente's shareholders,
- (iv) the class of equity inputs, consisting of one input, the payout ratio, calculated on the project's net incomes of the previous year,
- (v) the class of market data, used for estimating the costs of capital (i.e., the minimum attractive rates for each one of the above-mentioned area).



**Figure 1.** Architecture of the accounting-and-finance system.

The first set of inputs undergo processing within the Engineering model. Subsequently, the Engineering model outputs, together with additional operating inputs and the inputs related to the debt area, proceed to the HookUp model. This model transforms the five scenarios into five projects and produces a range of accounting outputs for the five projects, encompassing operating and maintenance costs, depreciation, gains and losses on asset disposals, CapEx, cash flow from net asset disposals, outstanding debt, and interest expenses.

The Financial model employs the outputs generated by the HookUp model along with the remaining inputs. It processes these combined data and organizes them into pro forma financial statements (presented as a strip of Split-Screen Matrices), whence the financial evaluation is obtained, with NPVs, rates of return, and financial efficiencies. Then, we concentrate on the NPV and the NGV, directly derived from the Engineering model. Plotting the five NPV-NGV pairs on an  $xy$ -plane, we obtain the main output of the whole system: the Net Value curve. This curve represents a Pareto frontier, balancing the trade-off between the NPV and the NGV.

#### 4. Problem Inputs

In total, we have managed 2303 inputs (see Figures 2 and 3): most of them are quantitative inputs with a few qualitative inputs (e.g., vehicle families or types, depreciation method, debt amortization method). This means that the size of the problem is substantial, posing significant computational complexity in logical and computational terms. Inputs are categorized as either “estimate” or “decision” variables and are segmented into five areas: operating, debt, non-operating, equity, and market data.<sup>3</sup> The operating inputs are broken down into three classes, according to the model that processes them: some feed into the Engineering model, some into the HookUp model, and others into the Financial model (see Figures 1 and A1 in the Appendix A).<sup>4</sup> The inputs within the operating area undergo a nontrivial processing, determining the policy of vehicle replacement and the annual composition of the fleet, and, hence, impacting on Iren Ambiente’s operating assets, operating income, and operating cash flow. The inputs in the debt area pertain to Iren Ambiente’s borrowing policy to finance the acquisition of new vehicles. The inputs of the equity and non-operating areas relate to Iren Ambiente’s payout policy affecting the amount of cash flow distributed to equityholders and, consequently, the amount of cash flow retained in the firm. The market data inputs provide estimates for the costs of capital, specifically the required return on operating assets (unlevered cost of assets), the required return on non-operating (liquid) assets, and the required return on debt. All assumptions have been made with the assistance of Iren Ambiente’s engineers and executives or inferred from IREN’s internal documents (e.g., the payout ratio).

**Operating inputs.** The 2244 inputs of the operating area are used for the determining the accounting and financial magnitudes of the five project’s operating assets, corresponding to the five green scenarios. They include the project length, equal to 17 years (year 2023 to year 2040). The choice is motivated by IREN’s explicit request of representing a medium- to long-term outlook, sufficient to observe more than one vehicle renewal cycle. In particular, in accordance with IREN’s planning practices, we use the end of the decade as the time horizon (i.e., 2040). The problem focuses on the analysis of the 8 main vehicle families in use in the waste collection sector: open top trucks, rear loading compactor trucks, bilateral loading trucks, slide loading trucks, hooklift trucks with or without crane, vans and dump trucks, street sweepers, and tractor units (Figure A2) (see Note 4). Each family is associated with a family code. Each family is broken down into several vehicle types, which differ in equipment type and/or size (gross vehicle weight, GVW, for collection or transport vehicles, and volume for sweepers). In our problem, there are 19 vehicle types, identified by progressive IDs; for each vehicle type, we define the working hours per year, the maximum age allowed by IREN’s operating practices, and the types of fuel available when purchasing new vehicles (Figure A3). These data were provided by Iren Ambiente’s Fleets and Equipment sector. The starting fleet of our problem has 1435 vehicles. They are part of the fleet of the Environment Business Unit of the IREN Group as of 31 December 2022. Following the principles used by IREN and described in Section 3, the problem involves the evaluation and comparison of multiple scenarios, defined by increasing degree of environmental sustainability. Scenario 0 (status quo) corresponds to the no-green policy: each vehicle is replaced with a new one of the same type and same fuel (this is the current replacement policy by Iren Ambiente). With the assistance of IREN’s technical departments, we have defined five alternative green scenarios, from a very cautious one to a very challenging one, whereby each vehicle is replaced with a new one of the same type but equal or different fuel, depending on the scenario (Figure 4).

INPUTS		Assumptions	UoM*	Details	Parameter type
Operating area (1)	Project length	17	year	-	decision
	Vehicle families	8	families of vehicle	<a href="#">Table A</a>	decision
	Vehicle types	19	types of vehicle	<a href="#">Table B</a>	decision
	Working hours per year	range 1000 ÷ 2200 (specific value for each vehicle type)	h/year/vehicle	<a href="#">Table B</a>	estimate
	Maximum age allowed	range 8 ÷ 12 (specific value for each vehicle type)	year	<a href="#">Table B</a>	decision
	Fuels available	6 (specific availability for each vehicle type)	types of fuel	<a href="#">Table B</a>	estimate
	Number of vehicle and fleet composition	1435 (current fleet detailed by type, fuel and age)	vehicle	<a href="#">Table C</a>	estimate
	Green policy	5 (specific green policy for each scenario)	scenarios	<a href="#">Sheet GreenScenarios</a>	decision
	Purchase price of a new vehicle (2023)	(specific price for each vehicle type and fuel)	€	<a href="#">Table D</a>	estimate
	Administrative costs by age (2023)	(specific cost for each vehicle type, fuel and age)	€/year/vehicle	<a href="#">Table D</a>	estimate
	Standard maintenance costs (2023, age=5)	(specific cost for each vehicle type and fuel)	€/year/vehicle	<a href="#">Table D</a>	estimate
	Variation of maintenance cost by age (vs age=5)	(specific value for each vehicle age)	%	<a href="#">Table E</a>	estimate
	Fuel price (2023)	(specific value for each fuel)	€/FuelUnit	<a href="#">Table F</a>	estimate
	CO <sub>2</sub> conversion factors	(specific value for each fuel)	kgCO <sub>2</sub> /FuelUnit	<a href="#">Table F</a>	estimate
	Growth rate of purchase price	(specific annual rate)	%	<a href="#">Table G</a>	estimate
	Growth rate of administrative costs	(specific annual rate)	%	<a href="#">Table G</a>	estimate
Growth rate of maintenance costs	(specific annual rate)	%	<a href="#">Table G</a>	estimate	
Growth rate of fossil fuel costs	(specific annual rate)	%	<a href="#">Table G</a>	estimate	
Growth rate of electric energy costs	(specific annual rate)	%	<a href="#">Table G</a>	estimate	
Relative price of used vehicle	(specific value for each vehicle age)	%	<a href="#">Table H</a>	estimate	
Operating area (2)	Depreciation method	<i>Straight-line</i>	-	-	decision
	Depreciation duration	<i>Equal to the useful life of the new vehicle</i>	-	-	decision
Operating area (3)	Sales and services revenues	0 (no variation between scenarios)	€	-	estimate
	Payments for vehicle purchases	<i>Payments are made on cash</i>	-	-	estimate
	DSO (Days Sales Outstanding) of asset disposal	0	days	-	estimate
	DPO (Days Payable Outstanding) of administrative costs	15	days	-	estimate
	DPO (Days Payable Outstanding) of maintenance costs	120	days	-	estimate
	DPO (Days Payable Outstanding) of fuel costs	30	days	-	estimate
	Ires Tax Rate	24.0%	%	-	estimate
	Irap Tax Rate	4.2%	%	-	estimate
	Ires Taxes payable	<i>Difference between Ires taxes in t and Ires taxes in t-1</i>	days	-	estimate
	Irap Taxes payable	<i>Difference between Irap taxes in t and Irap taxes in t-1</i>	days	-	estimate

\* UoM = Unit of Measure

Figure 2. Input main table—Operating area (Tables A–H refer to the Excel file: <https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.17381603>).

INPUTS		Assumptions	UoM*	Details	Parameter type
Debt area	Borrowing policy	<i>Every investment is 100% debt financed</i>	-	-	decision
	Amortization method	<i>Straight-line</i>	-	-	decision
	Debt duration	<i>Equal to the useful life of the new vehicle</i>	year	-	decision
	Interest rate on debt	(specific annual rate)	%	<a href="#">Table I</a>	estimate
Non-operating area	Interest rate on liquid assets	(specific annual rate)	%	<a href="#">Table I</a>	estimate
Equity area	Payout ratio (% previous year's Net Income)	55%	%	-	decision
Market data	Discount rate of tax shields	<i>Required return on net debt</i>	%	-	estimate
	Unlevered beta	0.86	-	-	estimate
	Equity risk premium	8.33%	%	-	estimate
	Risk-free rate (10 years)	3.88%	%	-	estimate
	Risk-free rate (17 years)	4.12%	%	-	estimate
	Default spread	2.00%	%	-	estimate
	Required return on liquid assets	<i>Equal to risk-free rate (17 years)</i>	%	-	estimate
	Required return on debt	<i>Equal to Default spread + Risk-free rate (10 year)</i>	%	-	information
Valuation method	<i>Adjusted Present Value (APV)</i>	-	-	information	

\* UoM = Unit of Measure

Figure 3. Input main table—Debt area, non-operating area, equity area, market data.

Green Scenario		Green policy starting year	Selection and allocation green policy
0	Status quo	Never	Vehicles replaced with a new one with the same fuel
1	Very cautious	2024 (for GVW ≤ 7.5 ton) and 2028 (for GVW > 7.5 ton)	Very cautious (greener than status quo)
2	Cautious		Cautious (greener than scenario 1)
3	Balanced	Earlier than scenario 1 and 2: 2024 (for GVW ≤ 7.5 ton) and 2026 (for GVW > 7.5 ton)	Balanced (greener than scenario 2)
4	Challenging		Challenging (greener than scenario 3)
5	Very Challenging		Very challenging (greener than scenario 4)

Figure 4. Green policy overview.

For each scenario and for each vehicle type, a starting year is defined: before this year, vehicles are replaced with a new vehicle of the same type and fuel; from the starting year onward, purchases of new vehicles follow the selected vehicle replacement policy (Figures A4 and A5 and Figure 5 below). For example, consider Scenario 4 in Figure 5. If we consider the medium-rear-loading compactor trucks (Type ID = 05), the 2024 and 2025 purchases for this type of vehicle will have the same fuel as the disposed vehicles; from 2026 onward, the allocation of purchases will follow the (time-invariant) percentages 50% diesel, 40% natural gas, and 10% hybrid.

Green Scenario	4	Selection and allocation green policy						5	Selection and allocation green policy					
Type ID	Green policy starting year	Diesel	Gasoline	Full electric	Liquefied petroleum gas	Natural gas	Hybrid	Green policy starting year	Diesel	Gasoline	Full electric	Liquefied petroleum gas	Natural gas	Hybrid
01	2024			100%				2024			100%			
02	2024	10%		40%		20%	30%	2024			50%		20%	30%
03	2024	10%		40%		20%	30%	2024			50%		20%	30%
04	2024	10%				20%	70%	2024					20%	80%
05	2026	50%				40%	10%	2026	30%				50%	20%
06	2026	40%				60%		2026	30%				70%	
07	2026	40%				60%		2026	30%				70%	
08	2026	40%				60%		2026	30%				70%	
09	2026	40%				60%		2026	30%				70%	
10	2026	40%				60%		2026	30%				70%	
11	2026	40%				60%		2026	30%				70%	
12	2026	40%				60%		2026	30%				70%	
13	2026	40%				60%		2026	30%				70%	
14	2026	40%				60%		2026	30%				70%	
15	2024	20%		45%	5%	30%		2024			50%	10%	40%	
16	2024	20%		80%				2024			100%			
17	2026	40%		60%				2026			100%			
18	2026	40%		60%				2026			100%			
19	2026	40%				60%		2026	30%				70%	

Figure 5. Green policy of Green Scenario 4 and Green Scenario 5.

In collaboration with IREN’s technical departments, we have estimated (i) the purchase price of a new vehicle, (ii) the administrative costs (by age of vehicle), (iii) the standard maintenance costs, (iv) the hourly fuel consumption, from which the annual fuel cost/emissions will be derived as a product of hourly fuel consumption, working hours per year, and unit fuel price/CO<sub>2</sub> conversion factor (Figure A6).<sup>5</sup>

Figure A7 shows the annual growth rates of purchase prices of vehicles, the administrative costs, the maintenance costs, the fossil fuel costs (diesel, gasoline, liquefied petroleum gas, natural gas) and electricity costs. To make such forecasts, we have relied on estimates made by IREN’s experienced executives, who have a robust knowledge of both the waste collection sector and the energy market. In particular, Iren Energia Spa, a subsidiary of IREN Group, has an area dedicated to short-, medium- and long-term forecasts of market prices.

Some operating inputs feed the HookUp model. They include the depreciation method (Iren Ambiente’s vehicles are depreciated with the straight-line depreciation method) and the depreciation duration (the years of depreciation of a vehicle coincide with the useful life of the new vehicle).

Other operating inputs feed the Financial model:

- (i) Payments for vehicle purchase (made on a cash basis, so accounts payable for vehicle supplies are zero in each year); the payments are covered by loans, granted by the parent company (Iren Spa),
- (ii) Days Sales Outstanding of asset disposals (estimated to be zero, since, in the sale of used vehicles, payments are nearly immediate),
- (iii) Days Payable Outstanding of administrative costs, maintenance costs, and fuels costs (calculated according to average values estimated by IREN's Management Control System),
- (iv) Taxes (Ires tax and Irap tax).

**Debt inputs.** The inputs of the debt area serve the scope of determining the debt, the interest rate on debt, and the cash flow to debt. They concern the borrowing policy for purchases of new vehicles and can be divided into (i) borrowing policy: every new investment in vehicles is 100% debt financed (funds are borrowed from the parent company, Iren Spa), (ii) amortization method: it matches the depreciation method for vehicles (i.e., straight-line amortization), (iii) debt duration: debt is equal to the maximum age allowed for the new vehicle, (iv) the interest rate on debt (the annual rate is defined for each year of the plan). The estimates for the years 2023 to 2030 have been provided by the IREN Group finance area (Figure A8, upper block). For the remaining years, the interest rates are estimated to be equal to the average interest rate on debt recorded in the 2023–2030 timeframe (Figure A8, lower block).

**Non-operating inputs.** The only input of the non-operating area is the interest rate on liquid assets. This is the rate of return of the amount of operating cash flow generated by the project that is retained by the firm, that is, not distributed to the equityholders (Figure A8). Investments in liquid assets are managed by the parent company, Iren Spa. The values from 2023 to 2030 have been provided by the IREN Group finance area, while for the later years they are assumed to be equal to the average interest rate on liquid assets in the span 2023–2030. These values are necessary to calculate the balance of liquid assets in the pro forma financial statements.

**Equity inputs.** The only input of the equity area is the payout ratio. It expresses the dividend policy, defined as the percentage of previous year's net income allocated to equityholders. The payout ratio is estimated to be 55%, midpoint of the 50–60% range, which is the forthcoming payout ratio in the next years, as publicly communicated by IREN.

**Market data.** The market data refer to the costs of capital (required returns). They are necessary to calculate the NPV of each project and the NPV of each project's area (operating, non-operating, equity, and debt). Specifically, the unlevered cost of assets ( $k^U$ ) is necessary to determine the operating value (and NPV) of the projects. It represents the minimum attractive rate of return (MARR) that justifies the project undertaking. Using the Capital Asset Pricing Model (Sharpe, 1964; Mossin, 1966), its calculation depends on the unlevered beta, the equity risk premium, and the risk-free rate: we use the estimates reported on the widely respected website of Prof. Aswath Damodaran ([https://pages.stern.nyu.edu/~adamodar/New\\_Home\\_Page/home.htm](https://pages.stern.nyu.edu/~adamodar/New_Home_Page/home.htm), accessed on 20 November 2023), for the unlevered beta and the equity risk premium for the Environmental & Waste Services industry, and use the Italian 17-year government bond as a proxy for the risk-free rate. Since reinvestment in liquid assets will be essentially riskless, we use this rate as a proxy for the required return on liquid assets as well. For calculating the required return on debt, we sum the 10-year return on government bonds and the default spread for IREN, based on the BBB rating recently made by Standard & Poor's.

### 5. Engineering Model

The Engineering model comprises 15 worksheets in the Excel file and serves the purpose of processing the operating inputs, generating a series of intermediate outputs. These outputs will undergo further processing in the HookUp model before being transmitted to the Financial model. The Engineering Model specifically calculates the annual evolution of the fleet based on the chosen green scenario and the operating inputs. Figures A9–A11 show the resulting fleet composition for each year across the five green scenarios analyzed. It is evident that the fleet undergoes a progressive shift towards greater environmental friendliness, with a decreasing incidence of diesel and gasoline vehicles in favor of electric, hybrid, and natural gas vehicles. In Figures 6–8, we show, for each fuel type, the evolution over the years of the number of vehicles expected in the different scenarios. We note that

- for diesel, the curves clearly decline when compared with the status quo (scenario 0, constant fleet composition) as scenarios become greener;
- for gasoline and LPG (non-green fuels), the decreasing trend is somewhat obscured by the limited number of existing vehicles in the initial phase (2023), which will be almost entirely decommissioned with approximately identical planning in all five green scenarios;
- for full electric, hybrid, and natural gas, the numbers of vehicles, will increase over time, compared with the status quo, with increasingly higher curves for greener scenarios. However, not even the greenest scenario (Scenario 5) involves a total conversion of all vehicles to green fuels (full electric, hybrid, and natural gas), let alone to only electric vehicles. The reason is that part of IREN’s case study fleet operates in territories where even in the medium term, a portion of diesel vehicles will be required, due to orographic and/or refueling or recharging infrastructure limitations. Also, for some vehicle types, the greenest applicable fuel is natural gas (e.g., for heavy truck and tractor units).



Figure 6. Number of vehicles by scenario and by year (Diesel and Full electric).

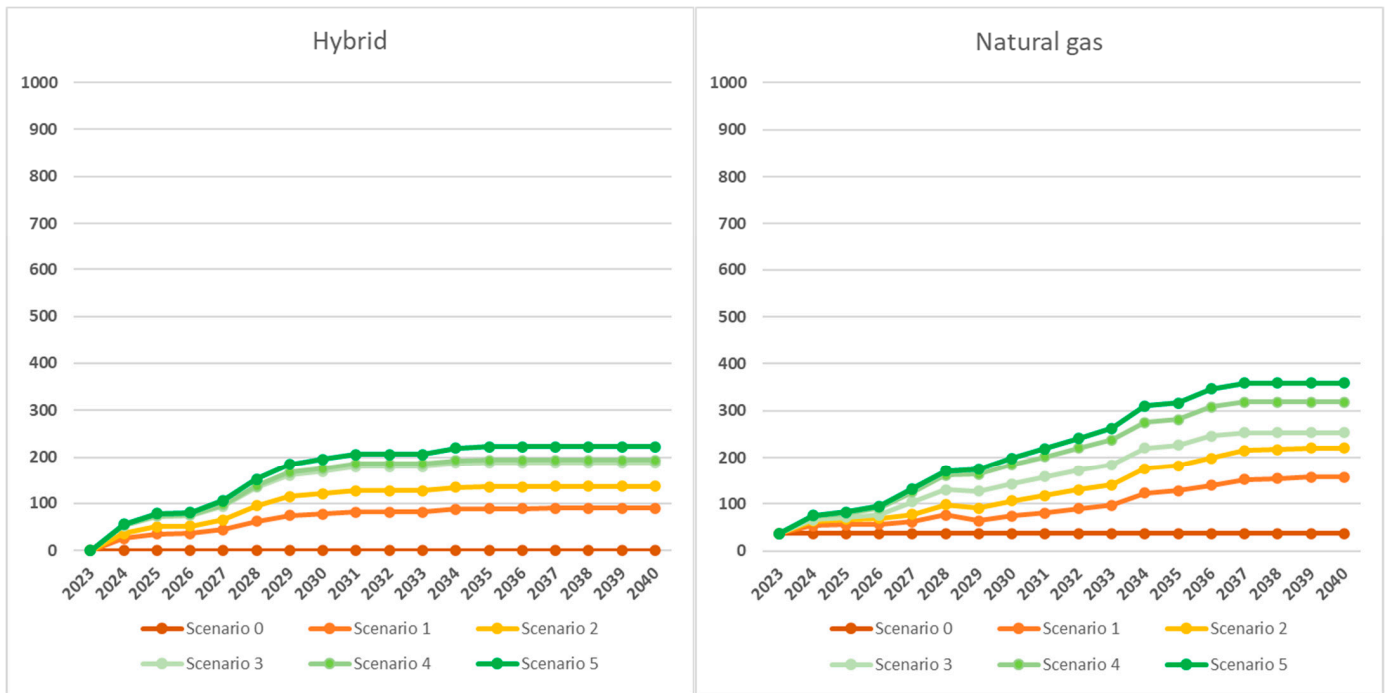


Figure 7. Number of vehicles by scenario and by year (Hybrid and Natural Gas).

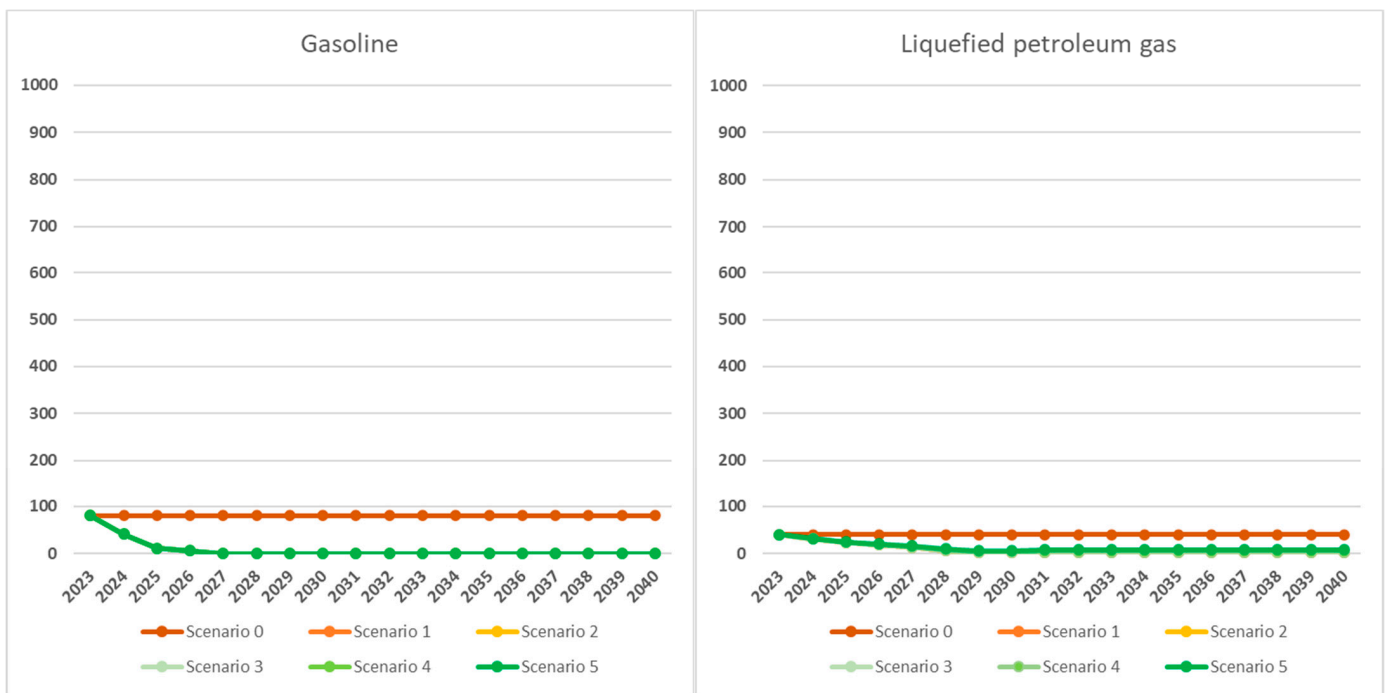


Figure 8. Number of vehicles by scenario and by year (Gasoline and LPG).

Figure A12 presents a summary of vehicle transactions for the year 2023 in Scenario 1. The figure indicates purchases with a plus sign and disposals with a negative sign. In this scenario, the 41 light open trucks of various ages and fuel owned by the company are disposed of and replaced by 41 full-electric new (0 age) light open trucks.

In this model, we calculate the growth factors (GF) of (i) purchase price, (ii) administrative costs, (iii) maintenance costs, (iv) fossil fuel costs, (v) electric energy costs, using the standard formula  $GF_t = GF_{t-1} \cdot (1 + GR_t)$  where  $GR_t$  denotes the growth rate and  $GF_0 = 1$ . Then, we calculate

- the unit fuel costs from 2024 to 2040 by applying the respective growth rates to the unit fuel costs in 2023
- the purchase price (PP) of a new vehicle in each year  $t$ , using purchase prices of previous years and the growth rate for purchase prices (GRPP):

$$PP_t = PP_{t-1} \times (1 + GRPP_t)$$

- the maintenance costs (MntC) by age ( $a$ ) in 2023, using the inputted maintenance cost for 5-year-old vehicles, and the variation in maintenance costs (VarMntC) from baseline age (5 years), as

$$MntC_{2023,a} = MntC_{2023,a=5} \times (1 + VarMntC_a)$$

- the maintenance costs by age in each year, using the maintenance costs by age (2023), calculated as above, and the growth rate for Maintenance costs (GRMntC):

$$MntC_{t,a} = MntC_{t-1,a} \times (1 + GRMntC_t)$$

- the administrative costs (AdmC) by age in each year, using the inputted administrative costs by age (2023) and growth rate for administrative costs (GRAdmC):

$$AdmC_{t,a} = AdmC_{t-1,a} \times (1 + GRAdmC_t)$$

- the annual fuel consumption of each type of vehicle and fuel, computed as the product of the inputted working hours per year and the hourly fuel consumption (we assume that the annual consumption is not age-dependent, because the estimated maintenance costs are such that the vehicle's efficiency remains constant):

$$\text{Annual fuel consumption} = \left( \text{Working hours per year} \right) \times \left( \text{Hourly fuel consumption} \right)$$

- the fuel costs (FuelC), by type of vehicle and fuel in each year, is calculated using the annual fuel consumption, computed as above, and the unit fuel costs from 2024 to 2040:

$$FuelC_t = \left( \text{Annual fuel consumption} \right) \times \text{UnitFuelCost}_t$$

- the annual CO<sub>2</sub> emissions of each type of vehicle and fuel, obtained as the product of annual fuel consumption, calculated as above, and the CO<sub>2</sub> conversion factor:

$$\text{Annual CO}_2 \text{ emissions} = \left( \text{Annual fuel consumption} \right) \times \left( \text{CO}_2 \text{ conversion factor} \right)$$

- the disposal values (DispV) of a used vehicle in each year are calculated as the product of the purchase price (PP) of an equivalent new vehicle in that year and the percentage of relative price of a used vehicle of that age (found in Figure A13):

$$DispV_{t,a} = PP_t \times \text{Relative Cost for same age}$$

- the total administrative costs for each year and for any given scenario: for all types of vehicles, we multiply the administrative cost of a single vehicle by age for each year and the number of vehicles by type, fuel, and age in each year

- the total maintenance costs and the total fuel costs (same procedure as for the total administrative costs)
- the total CapEx for each year, multiplying the purchase price of a single new vehicle by the corresponding number of purchased vehicles and then adding these up
- the total asset disposals (same procedure as above, with disposal values replacing purchase prices).

We also calculate the total CO<sub>2</sub> emission of the fleet in each year. For all types of vehicles (rows), first, we calculate the estimated emissions of CO<sub>2</sub> as the product of the annual CO<sub>2</sub> emissions of a single vehicle and the number of vehicles by type and fuel in each year. Then, adding these up, we obtain the total CO<sub>2</sub> emission of our fleet in each year.

### 6. HookUp Model

The HookUp model connects the Engineering model to the Financial model. It comprises two parts (corresponding to two sheets in the Excel file). The first part receives CapEx from the Engineering model and calculates the outstanding debt for each year and each scenario. The years of depreciation and the duration of debt are both equal to the useful life of the asset (i.e., maximum age allowed for the asset). The method of asset depreciation and debt amortization is straight-line, so that the depreciation charges and the principal repayments coincide; all asset purchases are 100% financed with debt. We calculate the following magnitudes:

- the total capital expenditure for each green scenario, classified by useful life of the vehicle (Figure A14)
- the annual depreciation charge for vehicles having a useful life equal to *ul*:

$$\text{Depreciation charge}_{t,ul} = \frac{\text{CapEx}_{t-1,ul}}{ul}$$

where *ul* = 8, 10, 12 (Figure A15). For example, consider the depreciation charge of 19 thousand euros in year 2031 for vehicles with a useful life of eight years; since CapEx is in 2030 is 153 thousand euros, we apply the above equation with *t* = 2031 and obtain

$$\text{Depreciation charge}_{2031,8} = \frac{\text{CapEx}_{2030,8}}{8} = \frac{153}{8} = 19.1$$

(Figure A15, column 10, values in thousands of euros).

- the total depreciation for each year, adding up all the annual depreciation charges associated with the vehicles with useful life *ul*:

$$\text{Total depreciation}_{t,ul} = \sum_{k=t-ul+1}^{k=t} \text{Depreciation charges}_{k,ul}$$

For example, the total depreciation of 5690 thousand euros in year 2031 for vehicles with a useful life of eight years is obtained as the sum of depreciation charges from year 2024 to year 2031 ( $t - ul + 1 \leq k \leq t \rightarrow 2024 \leq k \leq 2031$ ),

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Total depreciation}_{2031,8} &= \sum_{k=2024}^{k=2031} \text{Depreciation charges}_{k,8} \\ &= 1813 + 609 + 689 + 897 + 1235 + 305 + 124 + 19 = 5690 \end{aligned}$$

(Figure A15, columns 3–10, and Figure A16, column 10, values in thousands of euros).

- the outstanding debt:

$$\text{Outstanding Debt}_t = \text{Outstanding Debt}_{t-1} - \text{Principal repayments}_t + \text{Additional debt}_t$$

For example, the outstanding debt of 77,536 thousand euros in 2031 is calculated as the outstanding debt in 2030 minus the principal repayments in 2031 (equal to the total depreciation in 2031) plus the additional debt in 2031 (equal to the total CapEx in 2031):

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Outstanding Debt}_{2031} &= \text{Outstanding Debt}_{2030} - \text{Principal repayments}_{2031} + \text{New debt}_{2031} \\ &= 65,995 - 12,912 + 24,453 = 77,536 \end{aligned}$$

(Figure A17, columns 9 and 10, values in thousands of euros).

The second part of the HookUp model converts the five green scenarios processed by the Engineering model into five projects suitable for financial appraisal within the Financial model. This transition from an engineering to a financial perspective is essential and delicate. Specifically, a *scenario* represents a set of accounting magnitudes (e.g., costs, depreciation, capital expenditures, outstanding debt) under specific conditions. Scenario 0 is the status quo, where no change in the replacement policy occurs. Conversely, a *project* represents the financial effect of changing from the status quo (Scenario 0) to a specific alternative scenario (scenario  $s \neq 0$ ). It is defined exclusively by the differential amounts, that is, the changes in each accounting magnitude relative to scenario 0.

This transformation process is accomplished by the HookUp model, which takes the accounting magnitudes for all scenarios ( $s = 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5$ ) and, for each alternative scenario ( $s \neq 0$ ), calculates the differential amounts by subtracting Scenario 0 values from Scenario  $s$  value. For example, if Scenario 0 has operating and maintenance costs (O&M) of USD 100, and Scenario  $s \neq 0$  has O&M costs of USD 120, then the O&M cost for Project  $s$  is the differential amounts of USD 20. This differential represents the incremental cost incurred by moving from Scenario 0 to Scenario  $s$ .

This transition from scenarios to projects is necessary: financial evaluation assesses the value created (or destroyed) by undertaking a specific change. A project, defined by these differential amounts, isolates the net financial effect of moving from the status quo (Scenario 0) to the target scenario  $s \neq 0$ . Only by analyzing the differential amounts can we calculate financial metrics such as the Net Present Value or the rate of return to evaluate the financial benefit of adopting Scenario  $s$  over the status quo (see also Magni, 2020, Section 1.4, on the definition of a project). The HookUp model performs this essential conversion, enabling the Financial model to appraise the value created by each potential change (project).

Figure A18 reports an extract of accounting data regarding Project 1, obtained by subtracting the corresponding data of Scenario 1 (Figure A19) and Scenario 0 (Figure A20).

## 7. Financial Model

The Financial model is designed to manage both financial planning and financial valuation. Specifically, it

- generates the Balance Sheet, Income Statement, and Cash Flow Statement for each year and each project;
- calculates the NPV of each project (and each project's area);
- determines the rate of return, the minimum attractive rate of return (MARR), and the financial efficiency of each project (and each project's area).

This model comprises nine worksheets in the Excel file. They process the intermediate outputs received from the HookUp model along with the remaining inputs. The first

5 sheets conclude the financial planning of the projects, while the other four sheets focus on the financial valuation and analysis of the projects. The Financial model is theoretically grounded in the Split-Screen Approach developed by Magni (2020, 2023). This framework addresses severe limitations of conventional financial modeling by systematically integrating static accounting constructs with dynamic financial interdependencies through its innovative Split-Screen Matrix (SSM). The SSM aligns the Balance Sheet, Income Statement, and Cash Flow Statement within a unified structure based on two foundational principles: the law of motion, which governs capital dynamics via income and cash flows, and the law of conservation, which ensures equilibrium between investment and financing components. This matrix structure ensures internal consistency by modeling the horizontal (temporal) evolution capturing cross-statement flows, while preserving the vertical balance within each statement.

A distinctive feature of the SSA is its explicit incorporation of financing and payout decisions (often overlooked or excessively simplified in traditional models) and its generation of mutually consistent value metrics, such as the NPV, economic residual income, and project-specific rates of return. The model is implemented using basic spreadsheet functions, deliberately avoiding complex financial formulas to enhance transparency, error diagnosis, and scalability. These features make the SSA uniquely suited for large-scale projects where thousands of inputs interact dynamically across multi-year horizons. Unlike simplified models that obscure operational-financial linkages, the SSM offers diagnostic power to validate both dynamic and static dependencies between accounting variables and value drivers. This closes a critical gap in the project appraisal literature and practice, while naturally bridging engineering and financial perspectives, making the SSA well suited for engineering-intensive contexts.

A sequence of consecutive SSMs, referred to as an SSM strip, displays the evolution of book values, incomes, and cash flows over all periods. The financial model consists of two SSM strips: the first one for the project (financial planning), and the other for the benchmark (financial valuation). Specifically, once the project SSM strip is established, the benchmark SSM strip is constructed, detailing the values, profits, and cash flows of benchmark portfolios replicating the project's prospective cash flows. The projects' financial valuation is obtained in the differential SSM, derived as the difference between project SSM and benchmark SSM. Within the differential SSM strip, one can find the NPV and the residual income (excess profit). For a better understanding, we reframe the architecture of our operations-and-finance system (Figure 1) in terms of financial planning and valuation, as illustrated in Figure 9. As can be gleaned by the figure, financial planning initiates with input data processed in the Engineering model. Utilizing the HookUp model and the remaining inputs, the project SSM is built, organizing all the accounting aspects for each year. As such, the project SSM marks the final stage step of financial planning. Subsequently, the project SSM and the market data are instrumental in accomplishing the financial valuation of the project using the Adjusted Present Value (APV) method. This valuation process involves establishing the benchmark SSM and then the differential SSM, enabling the derivation of relevant financial metrics: market value added, NPV, residual income, rate of return, minimum attractive rate of return (MARR) and, hence, financial efficiency.

**Financial planning.** Magni (2020, 2023) shows that the book value in year  $t$  is linked to the balance sheet of the next year with the following law of motion:

$$\text{Book value}_{t-1} + \text{Income}_t - \text{Cash Flow}_t = \text{Book value}_t$$

Also, book values, incomes, and cash flows abide by the following law of conservation:

$$\text{Book value of investments}_t = \text{Book value of financings}_t$$

$$\text{Income from investments}_t = \text{Income to capital providers}_t$$

$$\text{Cash flow from investments}_t = \text{Cash flow to capital providers}_t$$

(the first one is the standard accounting identity). These equalities, holding for every  $t$ , imply that the balance sheet of a firm or a project in year  $t$  is linked to the balance sheet of the next year with the following formula:

$$\text{Balance Sheet}_{t-1} + \text{Income Statement}_t - \text{Cash Flow Statement}_t = \text{Balance Sheet}_t$$

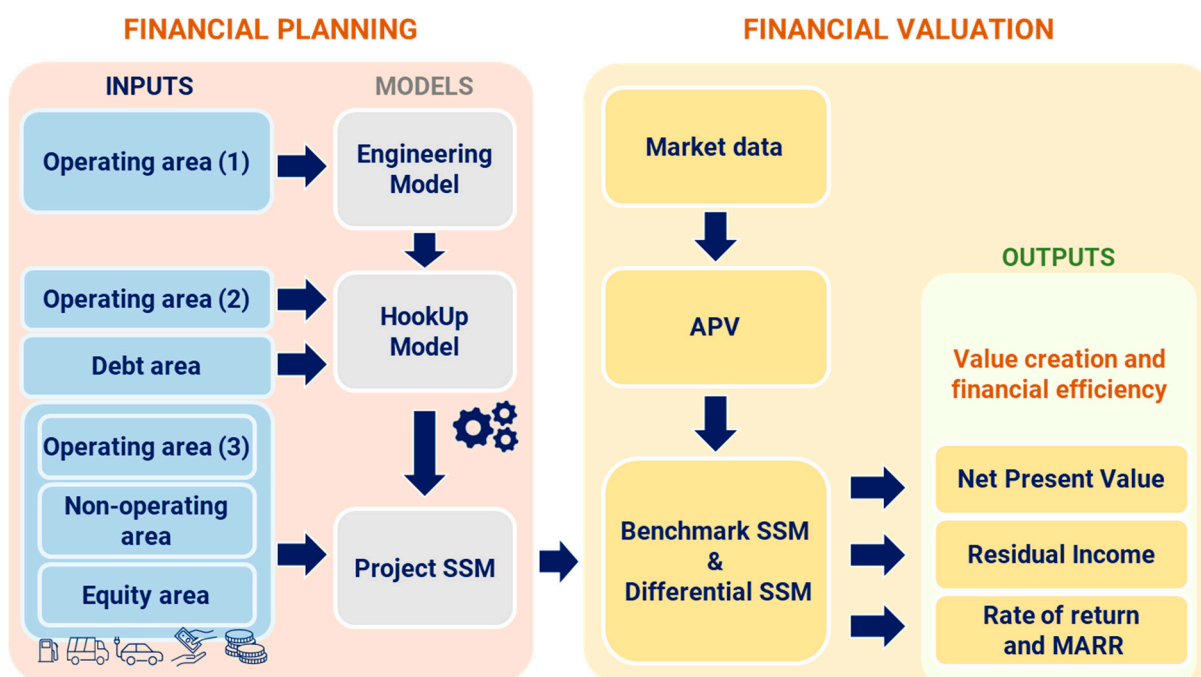


Figure 9. Architecture of financial planning and financial valuation.

This framework leads to the creation of the so-called Split-Screen Matrix (SSM) for each year of the project’s lifespan and for every project. In our case, there is a sequence of SSMs, forming a comprehensive strip detailing the accounting and financial magnitudes of each project across every year. Figure 10 below reports an extract of the SSM strip for project 1 (see Figures A21–A25 for the whole SSM strip).

We do not dwell on the intricacies of this model and refer to the aforementioned contributions for the methodology and to [Baschieri and Magni \(2023\)](#) for spreadsheet modeling applications. In the latter, the authors show in detail how to apply the theoretical framework to spreadsheet modeling. In particular, the cells of this SSM strip can be divided into four groups.

**Financial valuation.** Once the SSM strip is built, we evaluate the model by using the Adjusted Present Value (APV) method ([Myers, 1974](#)), which presupposes the determination of the payout and financing policy and, hence, the determination of the interest tax shield.

The choice of the APV method over other common valuation methods, such as the FCF-WACC method (where free cash flows are discounted at the Weighted Average Cost of Capital), is motivated by the limitations of the latter, particularly its reliance on over-simplified financial planning. Specifically, payout and financing policies are not explicitly modeled, but are instead implicitly embedded in the assumption of a constant target lever-

age, which the firm is assumed to maintain through rebalancing, an assumption generally unrealistic in capital budgeting contexts: “The situation is which the firm’s capital structure is expected to change substantially over time, we recommend that the adjusted present value (APV) approach be used” (Titman & Martin, 2016, p. 333). In the same vein, Cooper and Nyborg (2007, p. 58) observe that “When valuing companies in transition or specific transactions or projects, one should generally assume that leverage will change over time—and the WACC approach should probably not be used. In such cases, the interest tax shields must be forecast year by year.”

I	F	C	I
1	1	1	2
2024	2024	2024	2025

+I <sub>1</sub>	-F <sub>1</sub>	C <sub>1</sub>	+I <sub>2</sub>
<b>+ INCOME STATEMENT</b>	<b>- CASH FLOW STATEMENT</b>	<b>+ BALANCE SHEET</b>	<b>+ INCOME STATEMENT</b>
+ S&S revenues	- Cash receipts from customers	+ Acc. Receivable (S&S)	+ S&S revenues
0	0	0	0
+ Net gain	- Cash flow from Net Gain	+ Acc. Receivable (asset disp.)	+ Net gain
0	0	0	0
- O&M (adm)	+ Payments to suppliers (adm)	- Acc. Payable (adm)	- O&M (adm)
53	-51	2	77
- O&M (mnt)	+ Payments to suppliers (mnt)	- Acc. Payable (mnt)	- O&M (mnt)
-8	5	-3	-14
- O&M (fuels)	+ Payments to suppliers (fuels)	- Acc. Payable (fuels)	- O&M (fuels)
243	-223	20	347
- Depreciation	- Cash flow from Net Asset disp.	+ Net Fixed Assets	- Depreciation
-183	713	2067	-268
- Taxes (ires)	+ Payments for income taxes (ires)	- Taxes Payable (ires)	- Taxes (ires)
-16	0	-16	-22
- Taxes (irap)	+ Payments for income taxes (irap)	- Taxes Payable (irap)	- Taxes (irap)
-4	0	-4	-6
+ Financial income	- Cash flow from liquid assets	+ Liquid Assets	+ Financial income
0	46	46	2
+ Interest expenses	- Cash flow to debt	+ Debt	+ Interest expenses
39	491	2067	53
+ Net Income	- Cash flow to equity	+ Equity	+ Net Income
45	0	45	64

-F <sub>17</sub>	C <sub>17</sub>
<b>- CASH FLOW STATEMENT</b>	<b>+ BALANCE SHEET</b>
- Cash receipts from customers	+ Acc. Receivable (S&S)
0	0
- Cash flow from Net Gain	+ Acc. Receivable (asset disp.)
-7	0
+ Payments to suppliers (adm)	- Acc. Payable (adm)
-228	0
+ Payments to suppliers (mnt)	- Acc. Payable (mnt)
377	0
+ Payments to suppliers (fuels)	- Acc. Payable (fuels)
-815	0
- Cash flow from Net Asset disp.	+ Net Fixed Assets
-4964	-0
+ Payments for income taxes (ires)	- Taxes Payable (ires)
10	0
+ Payments for income taxes (irap)	- Taxes Payable (irap)
8	0
- Cash flow from liquid assets	+ Liquid Assets
-96	0
- Cash flow to debt	+ Debt
-6255	0
- Cash flow to equity	+ Equity
540	0

Figure 10. Extract of the full-scale project SSM strip (Project 1).

Needless to say, the SSA is fully compatible with any valuation method, including both WACC- and APV-based approaches.

To manage risk, we rely on the Capital Asset Pricing Model (CAPM) to estimate the risk-adjusted costs of capital (Figure 11). For the cost of unlevered assets, we apply the formula

$$\underbrace{\text{cost of unlevered assets}}_{k^u} = \underbrace{\text{risk-free rate}}_{r_f} + \underbrace{\text{unlevered beta}}_{\beta_u} \cdot \underbrace{\text{equity risk premium}}_{(r_m - r_f)} .$$

Costs of capital		
$r_{f,17}$	Risk-free rate (17 years)	4.12%
$\beta_u$	Unlevered beta	0.86
$r_m - r_{f,17}$	Equity risk premium	8.33%
$k^u$	Unlevered cost of assets	11.28%
$r^l$	Required return on liquid assets	4.12%
$r_{f,10}$	Risk-free rate (10 years)	3.88%
	Default spread	2.00%
$r^d$	Required return on debt	5.88%
$r^\tau$	Discount rate of tax shields	Required return on net debt

Figure 11. Costs of capital.

We use the rate of return of 17-year government bonds as risk-free rate; for the unlevered beta, we use the data for the environmental-and-waste services sector reported in Damodaran’s “Betas by Sector” table (available at <https://pages.stern.nyu.edu/>

~adamodar/New\_Home\_Page/datafile/Betas.html, accessed on 20 November 2023); for the equity risk premium in Italy, we use the data found in the Damodaran’s “Country Defaults Spreads and Risk Premiums” table (available at [https://pages.stern.nyu.edu/~adamodar/New\\_Home\\_Page/datafile/ctryprem.html](https://pages.stern.nyu.edu/~adamodar/New_Home_Page/datafile/ctryprem.html), accessed on 20 November 2023):

$$\underbrace{\text{cost of unlevered assets}}_{11.28\%} = \underbrace{\text{risk-free rate}}_{4.12\%} + \underbrace{\text{unlevered beta}}_{0.86} \cdot \underbrace{\text{equity risk premium}}_{8.33\%} .$$

We use the return of 17-year government bonds as a proxy for the return on non-operating assets as well because reinvestment in liquid assets will be essentially riskless:  $r^l = 4.12\%$ . As for the required return on debt ( $r^d$ ), we base our assessment on the average borrowing duration of 10 years. Consequently, we use the rate of return of 10-year government bonds as a proxy for the risk-free rate (assumed to be constant over subsequent years). The default spread is derived from Damodaran’s “Ratings, Interest Coverage Ratios and Default Spread” table (available at [https://pages.stern.nyu.edu/~adamodar/New\\_Home\\_Page/datafile/ratings.html](https://pages.stern.nyu.edu/~adamodar/New_Home_Page/datafile/ratings.html), accessed on 20 November 2023), reflecting the BBB rating recently issued by Standard & Poor’s.<sup>6</sup> Hence,

$$r^d = \underbrace{\text{risk-free rate (10 years)}}_{3.88\%} + \underbrace{\text{default spread}}_{2\%} = 5.88\%$$

Lastly, we assume that the discount rate of tax shields equals the required return on net debt (i.e., debt net of liquid assets):  $r^\tau = r^D$ . The economic value of operating assets is then calculated as the sum of the unlevered value of assets and the value of tax shields, using backward induction:

$$V_t^o = \underbrace{\text{unlevered value of assets } V_t^u}_{\frac{V_{t+1}^u + \text{FCF}_{t+1}}{1 + k^u}} + \underbrace{\text{value of tax shields } V_t^{TS}}_{\frac{V_{t+1}^{TS} + \text{TS}_{t+1}}{1 + r_{t+1}^\tau}} , \quad t = 0, 1, \dots, n - 1, \quad V_n^j = 0$$

where  $\text{FCF}_t$  is the free cash flow,  $r^\tau$  is the discount rate for tax shields, TS is the Tax Shield ( $= I_t^D \cdot \tau$ ),  $\tau$  is the tax rate, and  $I_t^D$  is the Interest expenses net of financial income ( $I_t^d - I_t^l$ ). The market values of debt and non-operating assets are calculated in a backward fashion as well:

$$V_t^j = \frac{V_{t+1}^j + F_{t+1}^j}{1 + r^j}, \quad t = 0, 1, \dots, n - 1, \quad V_n^j = 0$$

where  $j = d, l$  (see Figure 12). Hence, the benchmark SSM is obtained, which makes use of the input market data. It displays the market values of the benchmark portfolios, together with their profits and cash flows. Value creation is calculated within the benchmark SSM. Specifically, we generate the differential SSM strip by subtracting each cell of the project SSM strip from its corresponding cell in the benchmark SSM strip. Within this strip, one can locate, for each year and business area (operating, non-operating, debt, and equity), the Market Value Added (MVA), the economic residual incomes (with changed signs), and the differential cash flows (see Figures A26 and A27). We also calculate (i) the rates of return as the ratio of total profit to total invested capital ( $\sum_{t=0}^n I_t / \sum_{t=0}^n C_t$ ), (ii) the MARRs as the ratio of market-based profit to total invested capital ( $\sum_{t=0}^n r_t V_{t-1} / \sum_{t=0}^n C_t$ ) (see Magni, 2020),<sup>7</sup> (iii) the financial efficiency (differences between rates of return and MARRs), and

(iv) the scale (size) of each investment and financing area (Figure 13). The NPV is then reinterpreted as the product of the total capital committed and the financial efficiency:

$$NPV = \text{Total capital} \times \overbrace{(\text{rate of return} - \text{MARR})}^{\text{financial efficiency}}$$

		2023	2024	2025	...	2039	2040
<b>VALUE OF OPERATING ASSETS CALCULATION:</b>							
Adjusted Present Value (APV) method							
+ $V^d$	$V^d_{t-1} = (V^d_t - F^d_t) / (1 + r^d)$	358	870	836	...	5908	0
+ $V^l$	$V^l_{t-1} = (V^l_t - F^l_t) / (1 + r^l)$	-8	38	57	...	93	0
	Net Interest $I^D = (+I^d - I^l)$	0	39	51	...	134	159
	Tax shield $TS = +I^D \cdot \tau$	0	9	12	...	32	38
	$FCF = F^o - TS$	-1537	-454	115	...	-1229	5581
	<b>Unlevered value of assets</b>						
	$V^u_{t-1} = (V^u_t + FCF_t) / (1 + k^u)$	-551	-159	-291	...	5015	0
	Cash flow to net debt $F^D = (+F^d - F^l)$	-1537	-445	102	...	-969	6159
	Value of net debt $V^D = (+V^d - V^l)$	366	832	780	...	5815	0
	Required return on net debt $r^D$		5.84%	5.96%	...	5.72%	5.91%
	Discount rate of tax shields $r^T$		5.84%	5.96%	...	5.72%	5.91%
	<b>Value of tax shield</b>						
	$V^{TS}_{t-1} = (V^{TS}_t + TS_t) / (1 + r^T_t)$	224	228	229	...	36	0
+ $V^o$	<b>Value of operating assets (levered)</b>						
	$V^o = (+V^u + V^{TS})$	-327	69	-62	...	5051	0

Figure 12. Value of operating assets calculation (Project 1, values in thousands of euros).

	total capital		financial efficiency		NPV	
<b>Operating area</b>	$\Sigma C^o$	66,801	$i^o - \rho^o$	-2.8%	$NPV^o$	-1864
<b>Non operating area</b>	$\Sigma C^l$	1946	$i^l - \rho^l$	-0.4%	$NPV^l$	-8
<b>Investments</b>	$\Sigma C^{inv}$	68,747	$i^{inv} - \rho^{inv}$	-2.7%	$NPV^{inv}$	-1872
<b>Debt area</b>	$\Sigma C^d$	66,499	$i^d - \rho^d$	-1.8%	$NPV^d$	-1180
<b>Equity area</b>	$\Sigma C^e$	2248	$i^e - \rho^e$	-30.8%	$NPV^e$	-692
<b>Financings</b>	$\Sigma C^{fin}$	68,747	$i^{fin} - \rho^{fin}$	-2.7%	$NPV^{fin}$	-1872

Figure 13. Investment scale, financial efficiency, and NPV (Project 1, values in thousands of euro).

For example, Project 1, linked to scenario 1 (the green scenario characterized by the lowest degree of environmental compatibility), can be conceptualized as a portfolio consisting of two investments:

- an investment of 66.8 million euros in operating assets (net purchases of vehicles) with a financial (in)efficiency of -2.8%, resulting in an operating NPV of -€1.86 million
- an investment of €1.95 million in liquid assets (Iren Ambiente’s retained cash) with a financial (in)efficiency of -0.4%, resulting in a non-operating NPV of -€8 thousand.

Overall, the project’s NPV is negative and equal to -EUR 1,871,995 = -EUR 1,863,918 - EUR 8077, that is, the undertaking of Project 1 will sacrifice about EUR 1.9 million of NPV as opposed to the status quo. However, due to Iren Ambiente’s favorable borrowing policy, the impact on economic value for the company’s shareholders is mitigated by the highly negative debt NPV of -EUR 1,179,564: the equity NPV is -EUR 692,431. The project

NPV reflects the economic value captured by the capital providers, encompassing both equityholders and debtholders. However, the sole shareholder and debtholder of Iren Ambiente is the parent company, Iren Spa. Therefore, the project NPV represents the economic value acquired by Iren Spa. To sum up, the equity NPV delineates the value created for Iren Spa as a holder of Iren Ambiente's shares, while the debt NPV delineates the value created for Iren Spa as a holder of Iren Ambiente's debt. As all NPVs are negative, Iren Spa will inevitably face a financial burden regardless of the green policy adopted.

## 8. Outputs and Discussion

The outputs are divided into two classes: financial and environmental. The former comprises, for each business area and for each project, the total capital committed, the investment scale, the rate of return, the MARR, the financial efficiency, and the Net Present Value (NPV). The environmental output, directly derived from the Engineering Model, is given by the total CO<sub>2</sub> reduction, which we call the Net Green Value (NGV) (see Figure 14). We plot the five combinations of NGV and NPV on an *xy*-plane, resulting in the Net Value curve (see Figure 15). This curve associates the NGV (horizontal axis) with the NPV (vertical axis). Each scenario generates a project, and each project gives rise to a point on the curve, illustrating the project NPV and the project NGV (we report both the project NPV and the equity NPV). We note that, as the NGV increases, both the project NPV and the equity NPV decrease, indicating a decreasing relationship between economic value and environmental value: the pursuit of environmental gain results in a financial setback. Also, note that the NPV of each scenario is negative. More precisely, focusing on project NPVs (values in thousands of euros), the NPV of Project 1 is −1872, the NPV of Project 2 is −2929, the NPV of Project 3 is −3957, the NPV of Project 4 is −5202, the NPV of Project 5 is −6488. Therefore, progressively higher amounts of financial value are sacrificed. In contrast, environmental value is created (in terms of CO<sub>2</sub> ton reduction) for every scenario and, in particular, the NGV of Project 1 is 41,413, the NGV of Project 2 is 58,577, the NGV of Project 3 is 75,231, the NGV of Project 4 is 91,289, the NGV of Project 5 is 111,923. Therefore, there is a trade-off between “being greener” and “being richer”: the objective of maximizing the NGV would lead the company to select the challenging scenario 5, whereas the objective of maximizing the NPV would lead the company to select the status quo, representing no change in the current replacement policy. The piece of information provided by the Net Value curve is significant as it quantifies the value the company must give up in exchange for an increase in the degree of its environmental sustainability. In other words: the Net Value curve reveals the “cost of being greener”. The ratio of the (absolute value of) NPV to the NGV supplies an average rate of substitution, that is, the “shadow” price for one metric ton of CO<sub>2</sub> reduction with respect to the status quo. Specifically, from the point of view of Iren Spa, the “shadow” price for Project 1 is 45.20 EUR/ton CO<sub>2</sub>, the “shadow” price for Project 2 is 50.00 EUR/ton CO<sub>2</sub>, the “shadow” price for Project 3 is 52.60 EUR/ton CO<sub>2</sub>, the “shadow” price for Project 4 is 56.98 EUR/ton CO<sub>2</sub>, the “shadow” price for Project 5 is 57.97 EUR/ton CO<sub>2</sub>, (Figure 16). These shadow prices are measured in units of NPV. They indicate the NPV sacrificed by Iren Ambiente when undertaking Project  $s = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5$  for a unit reduction in CO<sub>2</sub>. For example, if Iren Ambiente chooses green policy 3, Iren Spa will “pay” EUR 52.60 (in NPV units) per ton of CO<sub>2</sub> for increasing the sustainability of Iren Ambiente's operating assets by 75,231 tons from 2024 to 2040 compared with the current replacement policy. To further investigate the functional relation between the NGV and NPV, we extend the analysis to additional 16 green scenarios. Overall, we consider 21 green scenarios, from a scenario with no reduction in CO<sub>2</sub> (status quo, scenario 0) to a scenario with nearly 140,000 tons of CO<sub>2</sub> reduction. We plot the NGV-NPV pairs and connect the points. The result is a strictly decreasing and generally concave function of

NGV (Figure 17).<sup>8</sup> The (slight) concavity is verified by a degree-2 polynomial regression; for example, the polynomial  $y = -2 \cdot 10^{-7} \cdot x^2 - 0.0079 \cdot x$  fits the equity Net Value curve very well with its high determination coefficient:  $R^2 = 0.9884$  (see Figure 17). Analogously with the project Net Value curve, which shows an even higher determination coefficient, equal to  $R^2 = 0.9935$ . The general concavity of the functions implies that the marginal rate of substitution is generally increasing. In other words, as one moves along the curve and increase CO<sub>2</sub> reduction, the sacrifice in terms of NPV becomes progressively greater.<sup>9</sup>

	NPV (000 €)					NGV (CO <sub>2</sub> ton)				
	Project 1	Project 2	Project 3	Project 4	Project 5	Project 1	Project 2	Project 3	Project 4	Project 5
Operating Assets	-1864	-2925	-3960	-5224	-6522					
Liquid Assets	-8	-3	3	22	34					
Project	-1872	-2929	-3957	-5202	-6488	41,413	58,577	75,231	91,289	111,923
Debt	-1180	-1705	-2200	-2597	-3145					
Equity	-692	-1223	-1757	-2605	-3343					

Figure 14. Comparison table: NPV and NGV for each project.

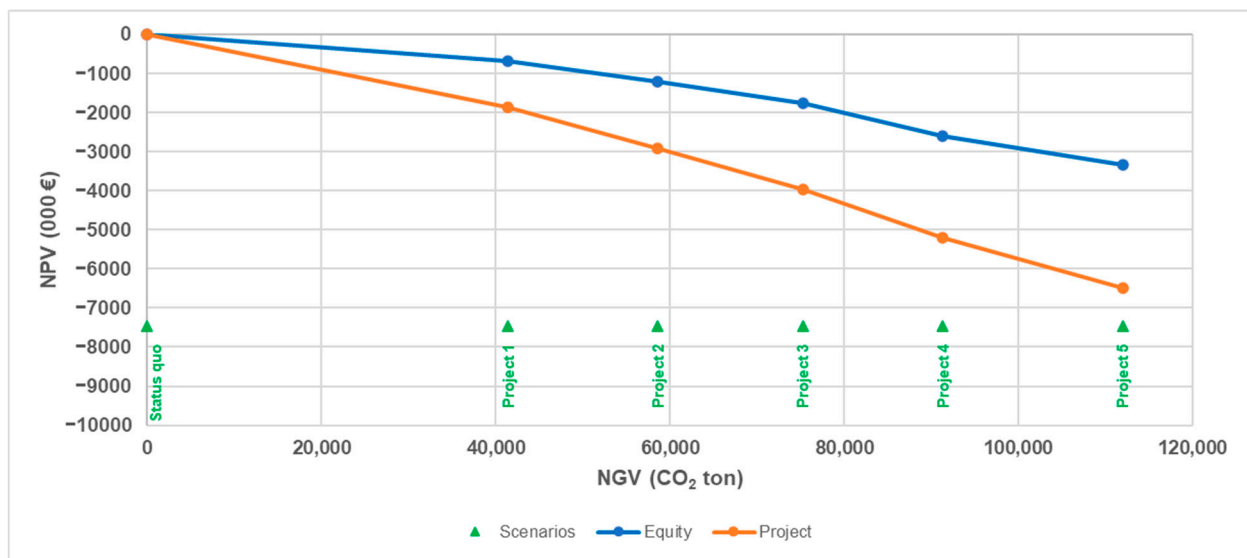


Figure 15. Net Value curve. Each point shows a project configuration with its NPV and corresponding CO<sub>2</sub> reduction. The frontier identifies efficient trade-offs: managers can read how much CO<sub>2</sub> reduction comes at a given cost in NPV, or how much NPV gain requires higher emissions. The curve supports decision-making by allowing shadow price thresholds for CO<sub>2</sub> to be applied according to policy or corporate priorities.

	Status Quo	Project 1	Project 2	Project 3	Project 4	Project 5
Project NPV (000 €)	0	-1872	-2929	-3957	-5202	-6488
Equity NPV (000 €)	0	-692	-1223	-1757	-2605	-3343
NGV (CO <sub>2</sub> ton)	0	41,413	58,577	75,231	91,289	111,923
Project CO <sub>2</sub> "shadow" price (€ / tonCO <sub>2</sub> )	-	45.20	50.00	52.60	56.98	57.97
Equity CO <sub>2</sub> "shadow" price (€ / tonCO <sub>2</sub> )	-	16.72	20.88	23.36	28.54	29.87

Figure 16. NPVs, NGVs, and shadow prices.

Given that Iren Ambiente aims at optimizing both objectives, its managers had to select, based on strategic considerations, the preferred solution. IREN places great importance on both the economic sustainability and the profitability of its shareholders (both public and private), but equally important is its concern for the environment and the territories in which it operates. IREN’s Action Plan to 2030, outlining its medium- and long-term trajectory, is in line with ecological transition principles, emphasizing the centrality of communities and individuals. The plan is structured around five key focus areas: decarbonization, circular economy, water resources, resilient cities, and people. This strategic vision is underpinned by a reinforced investment plan, totaling 10.5 billion euros over 8 years). Approximately 7.5 billion euros, constituting 80% of the organic investments, is allocated to projects aligned with the established sustainability goals. This initiative notably bolsters city resilience and drive decarbonization efforts. IREN is evaluated by various ESG rating agencies, and its ESG rating reflects strong performance (e.g., CDP Climate Change awards A-level, MSCI rates A out of a maximum of AAA), and the Group hopes to consolidate or improve it. For these reasons, maintaining the status quo about waste vehicle replacement policies could not be an option in the IREN Group’s plans.

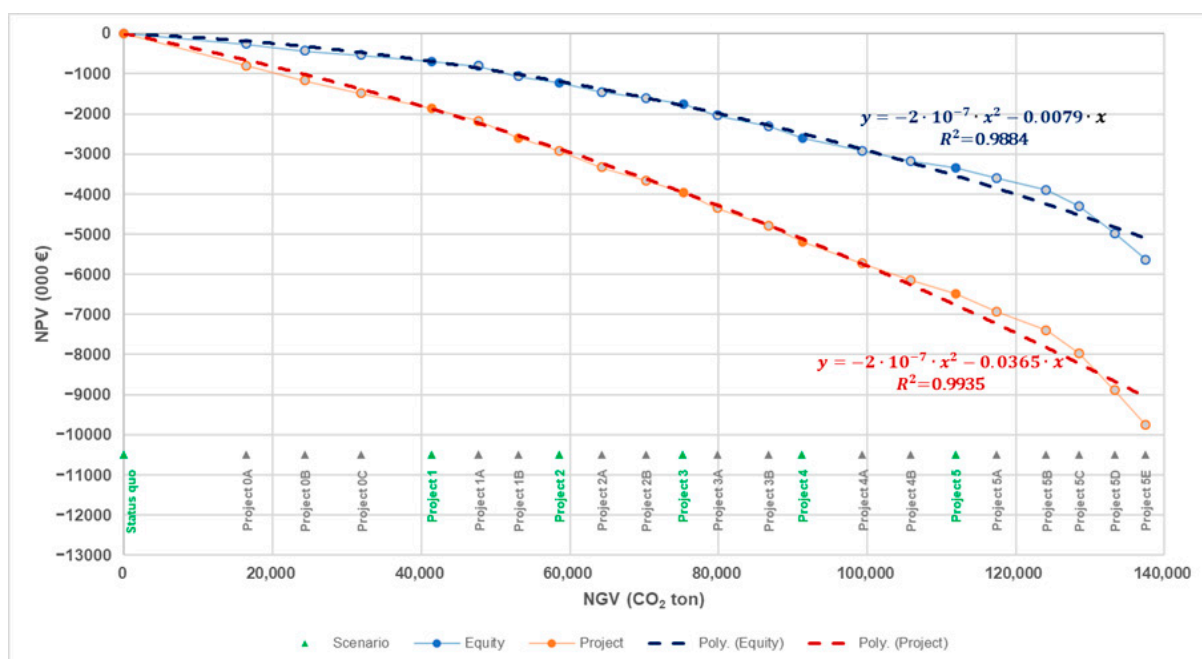


Figure 17. Degree-2 polynomial regression of the Net Value curve of 21 projects.

After learning about the trade-off between economic and environmental benefits and considering that the greenest scenarios imply negative NPVs of many millions of euros, Iren Ambiente has opted for Scenario 2, a greener policy than the status quo, but one that remains cautious or balanced.

While Figure 16 confirms that Project 1 (Scenario 1) offers the lowest CO<sub>2</sub> shadow price (EUR 45.20/ton), the choice of Scenario 2 reflects management’s holistic evaluation of three main factors:

- strategic trade-offs: Scenario 2’s higher CO<sub>2</sub> reduction (58.6k vs. 41.4k tons) justified its greater NPV sacrifice (–EUR 1223M vs. –EUR 692M equity NPV) and is in alignment with IREN Group’s decarbonization targets,
- operational feasibility: a sudden shift to aggressive electrification (e.g., Scenario 5) would put pressure on maintenance personnel skilled in diesel engines, logistics (recharging cycles), and supplier capacity (bulk-order delays),

- risk mitigation: geopolitical and socio-economic instability favors risk-averse transitions, while IREN's EUR 10.5 billion Action Plan prioritizes gradual decarbonization.

More cautious scenarios (Scenario 1) would undermine sustainability targets; more green-aggressive scenarios (Scenarios 3–5) jeopardize essential waste management operations during the period of workforce and supplier adaptation. According to IREN's management, shadow prices do inform, but cannot override such multidimensional judgments, especially given that operational departments may struggle to support a total or near-total conversion from vehicles with traditional fuels to electric or natural gas. While these options are compatible with the service, they demand cultural adaptation by operational workers and managerial adaptation by coordinators, who, for example, will have to gradually organize vehicle rotations to allow complete electric recharge cycles. Even corporate maintenance garages, whose mechanics currently specialize in diesel engines (which are prevalent today), will have to train their personnel and equip their facilities to service alternative-fuel vehicles, with a gradual transition. Finally, vehicle suppliers themselves are progressively expanding their production of green vehicles, enhancing their reliability over time. However, extended delivery times are common, especially for "bulk" orders. A balanced green policy will ensure better alignment with the procurement capabilities of IREN's domestic partner suppliers.

It is common practice at IREN to pursue Green Mobility initiatives (see Section 3), even when this implies a partial sacrifice of short-term economic value in favor of long-term sustainability benefits. In the specific case analyzed, IREN's management, who have oversight of all group-wide green projects, including those outside of waste management, identified Scenario 2 as the preferred option. Their choice was based on its optimal balance between economic impact and environmental benefit, in line with IREN's broader decarbonization strategy.

Thus, Scenario 2 emerged as optimal equilibrium between financial viability, environmental impact, and implementation feasibility. While shadow prices did not override this specific decision, they remain an essential tool for future capital budgeting, enabling firms to quantify sustainability trade-offs in financial terms. As stakeholder pressure for transparent environmental accounting rises, shadow pricing may evolve from analytical novelty to operational necessity.

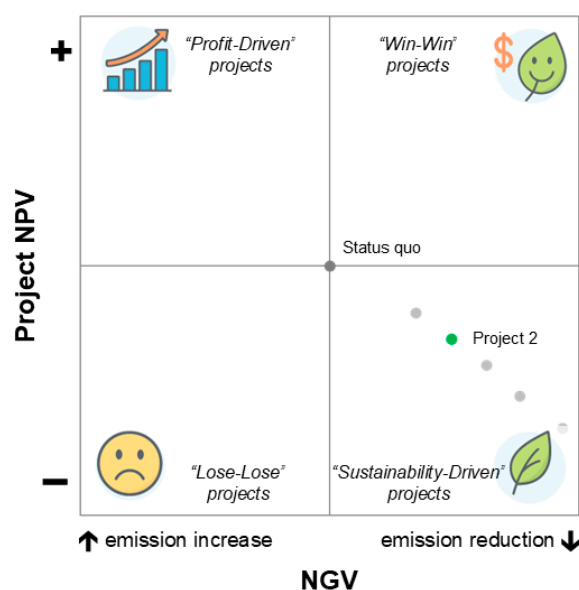
The two-dimensional scenario-analysis matrix in Figure 18 plots Net Green Value (NGV) against Net Present Value (NPV) to evaluate and categorize projects based on both financial return (NPV) and environmental impact (NGV). The vertical axis represents NPV, which measures the economic value created: projects above the horizontal axis are economically profitable, while those below cost more than they return. The horizontal axis represents NGV, which measures environmental benefit in terms of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions reduced: projects on the right have positive NGV and contribute to climate goals, while those on the left have negative NGV and increase emissions. The matrix is divided into four quadrants:

- Top right—"Win-Win" projects: positive NPV and positive NGV, both profitable and climate-positive.
- Top left—"Profit-Driven" projects: positive NPV but negative NGV, financially attractive yet environmentally harmful.
- Bottom left—"Lose-Lose" projects: negative NPV and negative NGV, economically unprofitable and environmentally damaging (to be avoided or phased out).
- Bottom right—"Sustainability-Driven" projects: negative NPV but positive NGV, environmentally beneficial but not financially viable.

The analysis of the 21 scenarios and the resulting Net Value Curve provides a clear, empirical basis for managerial decision-making. The curve serves as a strategic map,

quantifying the financial sacrifice required for each additional unit of environmental benefit. To operationalize this tool, managers can follow a structured, three-step guide:

1. Identify the Efficient Frontier: The Net Value Curve itself represents the set of Pareto-efficient projects. Any point on this curve is a candidate for selection, while points below represent inefficient strategies.
2. Define the Shadow Price Threshold: Determine the maximum financial sacrifice (in NPV) per metric ton of CO<sub>2</sub> reduced that the organization is willing to bear. This internal shadow price can be derived from the curve itself (as in Figure 16) and calibrated against the company's strategic sustainability targets and financial constraints.
3. Select the Optimal Project: Identify the point on the curve where the trade-off between NPV and NGV aligns with the strategic priorities defined in Step 2. This selects the projects that deliver the highest possible environmental benefit without exceeding the acceptable cost per ton of CO<sub>2</sub>.



**Figure 18.** Scenario analysis matrix showing how projects perform in terms of financial return (NPV) and environmental impact (NGV). The four quadrants distinguish projects that are both profitable and climate-positive (“Win-Win”), profitable but environmentally harmful (“Profit-Driven”), unprofitable and harmful (“Lose-Lose”), and environmentally beneficial but financially unviable (“Sustainability-Driven”).

This structured guide allows decision-makers to move directly from the visual representation of the trade-off to a concrete project selection.

It is important to distinguish the shadow price introduced in this study from market-based carbon prices (e.g., the EU Emissions Trading System—EU ETS). Our shadow price is an internal financial indicator that measures the sacrifice in shareholder value (NPV) required to avoid one ton of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions. In contrast, an external carbon price represents the cost imposed by the market or a regulator for the right to emit one ton of CO<sub>2</sub>. An external carbon price is a potential model input: if a company is subject to a carbon tax or must purchase emission allowances, this cost is directly incorporated into the project's financial statements (e.g., as an additional operating cost). This incorporation alters the project's cash flows and its NPV, thereby changing the position and shape of the Net Value Curve and the resulting internal shadow price. In this framework, the shadow price is the definitive output metric that synthesizes the total financial impact of the green transition, inclusive of all regulatory costs. The managerial decision involves judging whether to internalize an expected future carbon price into the model. A carbon price exerts two

opposing forces on green investments: a negative effect that reduces all projects' NPVs by increasing energy costs, and a positive effect that progressively favors greener scenarios by proportionally reducing their carbon tax burden. The net effect is therefore an empirical question that depends on the specific carbon price level and the fleet's emission profile.

### 9. Sensitivity Analysis

We model risk through the quantification of systematic risk via CAPM, which incorporates it into discount rates. The model captures this risk using the unlevered beta, reflecting exposure to macroeconomic shocks affecting the environmental services sector. By anchoring valuations to unlevered betas, we ensure that systematic risks beyond IREN's control are properly accounted for, thus preventing potential mispricing.

Another important tool for managing risk is sensitivity analysis on the main market input parameters. In this section, we perform scenario analysis on key inputs such as financial market data and energy prices, to evaluate the impact of fluctuations on the NPV. Future research may refine risk analysis by adopting more advanced methods, such as the Clean Finite Change Sensitivity Index (Magni et al., 2020), a novel technique for quantifying the effect of individual value drivers on NPV and other financial metrics.

We begin with a sensitivity analysis of the main financial market input data: the unlevered beta ( $\beta$ ), the equity risk premium, and the default spread. For our case study, the estimated values are  $\beta = 0.86$ , Equity Risk Premium = 8.33%, and default spread = 2%. We refer to these values as the *base case* and analyze the impact on the NPV of both upward and downward deviations from those values. Specifically, we consider the following scenarios:

- perturbation of  $\beta$  (from 0.7 to 1), with other market inputs held constant,
- perturbation of Equity Risk Premium (from 4% to 12%), with other market inputs held constant,
- perturbation of spread (from 1% to 3%), with other market inputs held constant
- simultaneous perturbation of  $\beta$ , Equity Risk Premium, and default spread: from (0.7, 4%, 1%) to (1.0, 12%, 3%).

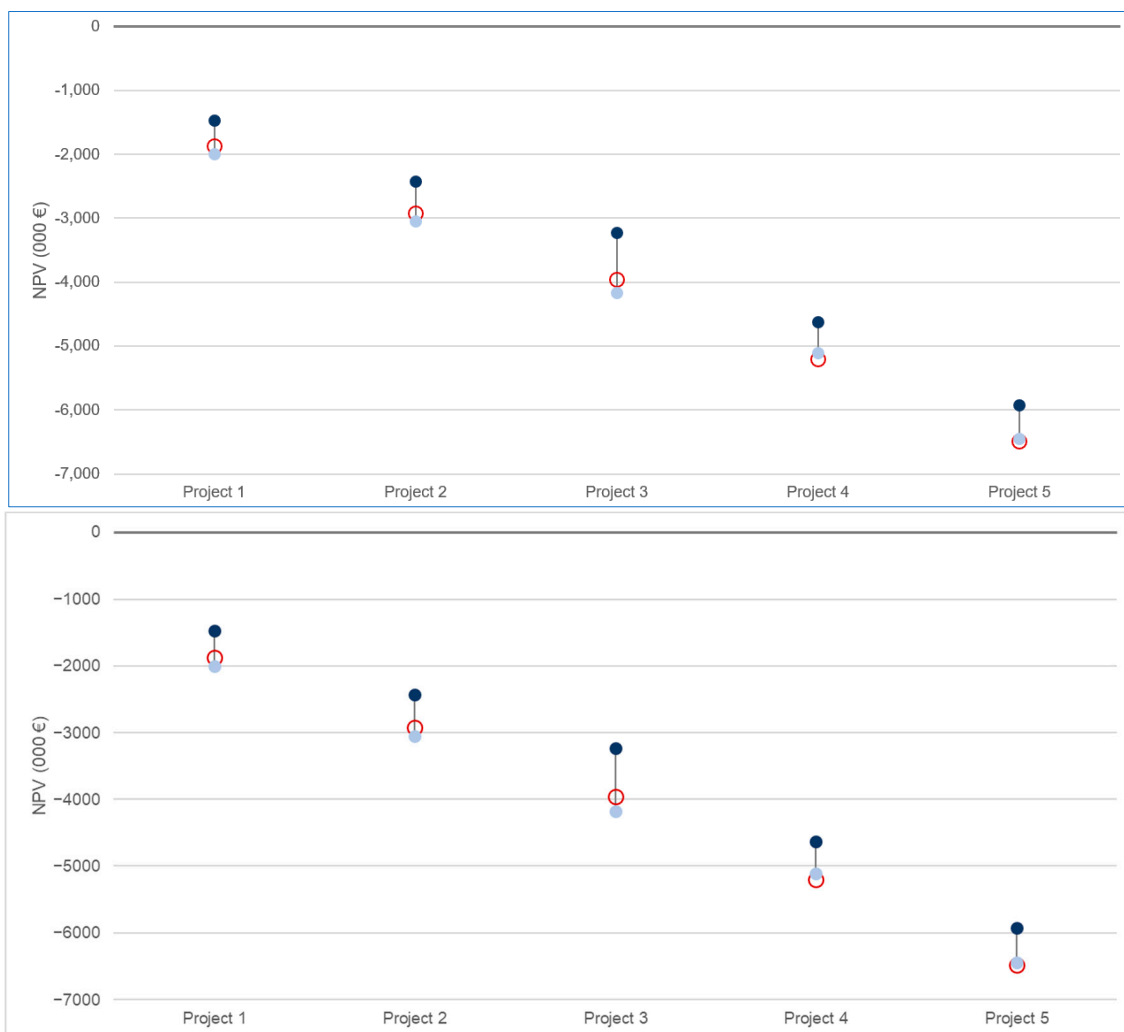
The results, presented in Table 2, indicate that variations in market input data do not alter the relationship between NPV and NGV: in all cases, the NPV decreases as the scenario index increases. Also, the absolute variation in NPV resulting from the perturbations is relatively limited. This behavior can be visually observed in Figure 19, which illustrates the results of the last case, where three market inputs are simultaneously perturbed.

**Table 2.** Sensitivity analysis for market input data.

		Net Present Value (Project)					
		Status quo	Project 1	Project 2	Project 3	Project 4	Project 5
<b>Beta (<math>\beta</math>)</b>							
Downside case	=0.70	0	-1798	-2843	-3824	-5120	-6424
Base case	=0.86	0	-1872	-2929	-3957	-5202	-6488
Upside case	=1.00	0	-1917	-2977	-4036	-5237	-6502
<b>Equity Risk Premium</b>							
Downside case	=4.00%	0	-1581	-2571	-3426	-4815	-6125
Base case	=8.33%	0	-1872	-2929	-3957	-5202	-6488
Upside case	=12.00%	0	-1961	-3017	-4111	-5240	-6463
<b>Default spread</b>							
Downside case	=1%	0	-1848	-2894	-3913	-5148	-6420
Base case	=2%	0	-1872	-2929	-3957	-5202	-6488
Upside case	=3%	0	-1894	-2960	-3997	-5110	-6547
<b>Beta/Equity Risk Premium/Default spread</b>							
Downside case	=(0.70, 4.00%, 1%)	0	-1474	-2429	-3229	-4632	-5922
Base case	=(0.86, 8.33%, 2%)	0	-1872	-2929	-3957	-5202	-6488
Upside case	=(1.00, 12.00%, 3%)	0	-1999	-3054	-4172	-5112	-6448

An important variable affecting the NPV is the cost of the fuels by the fleet (primarily diesel in Scenario 0, primarily electricity in Scenario 5). We now examine the sensitivity of

the NPV to changes in fuel prices. Figures 20 and 21 report, respectively, the fuel prices in 2023 and their projected annual growth rates, as provided by IREN. Unit fuel costs for the period 2024–2040 are calculated by applying the corresponding respective growth rates to the 2023 baseline values.



**Figure 19.** Simultaneous perturbations of the base case do not result in significant volatility of the NPV, nor do they alter the relationships between NPV and NGV. Blue points represent the downside case, red circles represent the base case, and gray points represent the upside case.

Fuel	Fuel price (2023)
Diesel	1.177 €/liter of diesel
Gasoline	1.504 €/liter of gasoline
Full electric	0.400 €/kWh of EE
Liquefied petroleum gas	0.630 €/liter of LPG
Natural gas	1.324 €/kg of natural gas
Hybrid	1.177 €/liter of diesel

**Figure 20.** Fuel prices in 2023 and conversion factors.

As can be gleaned from Figure 21, IREN estimates a decrease in the fossil fuel costs between 2023 and 2026, followed by stable prices thereafter. The average decrease is –1.3%.

Regarding electricity costs, IREN forecasts a decrease from 2023 to 2030, after which the prices are expected to remain essentially stable. The average decrease is  $-4.13\%$ . We also note that

- the average change in diesel prices in Italy from 2004 to 2023 has been  $+4.04\%$
- the average change in electric energy price (PUN) in Italy over the same period has been  $+16\%$ .<sup>10</sup>

Year	Growth rate	
	Fossil fuel costs	Electric energy costs
2023	-	-
2024	-13.60%	-27.51%
2025	-3.59%	-24.39%
2026	-4.97%	-4.92%
2027	+0.00%	-4.15%
2028	+0.00%	-4.76%
2029	+0.00%	-5.59%
2030	+0.00%	+0.28%
2031	+0.00%	-0.42%
2032	+0.00%	+0.34%
2033	+0.00%	+0.09%
2034	+0.00%	+0.21%
2035	+0.00%	+0.60%
2036	+0.00%	+0.00%
2037	+0.00%	+0.00%
2038	+0.00%	+0.00%
2039	+0.00%	+0.00%
2040	+0.00%	+0.00%

Figure 21. Estimates for growth rates of fossil fuel and electric energy fuel cost (base case).

Based on this, we choose to perturb the average decrease estimated by IREN by selecting an interval whose lower bound corresponds to the historical averages mentioned above, and whose upper bound is symmetrically set with respect to the base case (see Figure 22).

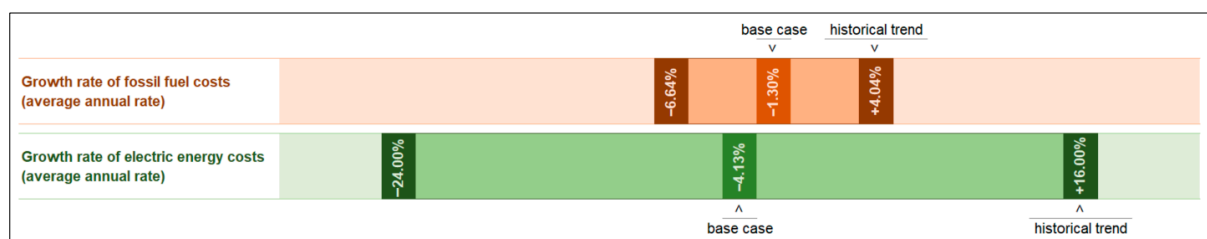


Figure 22. Growth rates are considered in the interval  $(-6.64\%, +4.04\%)$  for fossil fuel costs and  $(-24\%, +16\%)$  for electricity costs.

The base case assumes that both fossil fuel and electric energy will decrease over time. If, instead, the fossil fuels grew (by an average  $4.04\%$  per year), all other things equal, each scenario yielded a net financial benefit to IREN. Indeed, Projects 1 and 2 would even become positive-NPV alternatives. Conversely, if the electricity price (rather than fossil fuel price) were to increase (by an average  $16\%$  per year), the transition toward environmentally friendly procurement policies would become less favorable compared with the base case (see Table 3). By combining the two favorable cases (fossil fuel costs rising by  $4.04\%$  and electricity prices falling by  $24\%$ ) or the two unfavorable ones (fossil fuel prices falling by

6.64% and electricity prices rising by 16%), we obtain, respectively, the best and worst outcomes (see the final panel of Table 3 and Figure 23).

Table 3. Sensitivity analysis on fuel costs.

		Net Present Value (Project)					
		Status quo	Project 1	Project 2	Project 3	Project 4	Project 5
<b>Price growth of fossil fuel cost</b>							
Downside case	=−6.64%/y	0	−2573	−3895	−5201	−6589	−8095
Base case		0	−1872	−2929	−3957	−5202	−6488
Upside case	=+4.04%/y	0	282	17	−177	−1010	−1651
<b>Price growth of electric energy cost</b>							
Downside case	=−24%/y	0	−1660	−2632	−3570	−4775	−5987
Base case		0	−1872	−2929	−3957	−5202	−6488
Upside case	=+16%/y	0	−4652	−6825	−9057	−10,829	−13,094
<b>Price growth of both fuel costs (fossil and electric energy)</b>							
Best case	(+4.04%, −24%)	0	494	314	212	−582	−1149
Base case		0	−1872	−2929	−3957	−5202	−6488
Worst case	(−6.64%, +16%)	0	−5352	−7791	−10,301	−12,218	−14,707

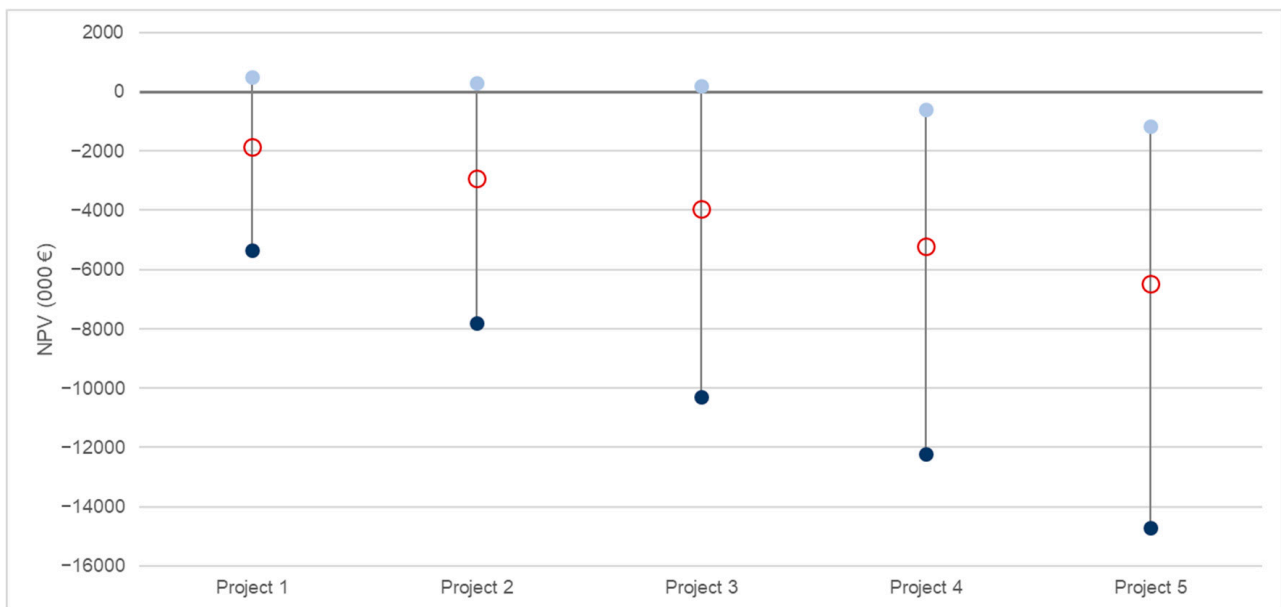


Figure 23. NPV sensitivity to changes in the fuel costs. Blue points represent the worst financial outcomes, associated with a 6.64% average annual decrease in fossil fuel costs and a 16% average annual increase in electric energy costs. Grey points represent the best outcomes, where fossil fuel costs increase by 4.04% and electric energy cost decrease by 24%. Red circles represent the base case.

### 10. Concluding Remarks

This paper deals with financial decision-making regarding vehicle replacement projects. From an engineering perspective, the focus is on the technical features, optimization processes, and the selection of the most appropriate optimization tool. In contrast, in finance, capital budgeting projects are analyzed through pro forma financial statements, estimating book values, revenues, costs, earnings, and appraised using some financial metric (e.g., NPV, rates of return, residual income). This paper aims to integrate the two perspectives by developing an accounting-and-finance system in which an engineering model processes a large number of technical inputs and feeds a comprehensive financial model, which carries out both financial planning and financial valuation for the projects under consideration.

We analyze the case of Iren Ambiente, a subsidiary of IREN Group, which needs to define a strategic vehicle replacement plan in accordance with IREN Group’s Action

plan toward “green” mobility. We find a trade-off between “being greener” and “being richer”: the main output of the overall modeling is a Pareto frontier, called Net Value curve, showing the combination of Net Present Value (measuring the value creation) and Net Green Value (measuring the reduction in CO<sub>2</sub> emissions). In practice, it quantifies how much value the company must give up to increase the degree of its environmental sustainability, and it is an effective tool that may support Iren Ambiente’s managers in their decision, according to strategic considerations. The work performed, in addition to providing IREN with a much more advanced and comprehensive decision-support tool than is currently available in the company for analysis on this planning issue, attests that, unfortunately, nowadays and in the medium-term forecasts, choosing green fuels to reduce emissions may involve higher overall costs for the company, resulting in value destruction. We evaluated a large number of scenarios and also estimated the shadow price for IREN, expressing the cost of each ton of CO<sub>2</sub> reduction.

Our research question was how a capital-budgeting framework can integrate extensive operational and financial inputs into a dynamically consistent model that preserves accounting–valuation coherence, incorporates financing and distribution policies, and reconciles pro forma statements with valuation metrics. The application shows that the Split-Screen Approach effectively addresses this challenge, providing IREN managers with consistent, transparent decision support.

While the study has been conducted in the specific context of IREN’s heterogeneous waste-collection fleet, the approach is not restricted to this case. The framework is generalizable to other fleets, utilities, and large-scale infrastructure projects that require rigorous integration of engineering inputs with accounting and financial planning. This transferability makes the Split-Screen Approach a scalable tool for complex capital budgeting decisions beyond the waste-management sector.

While our model enables integrated technical-economic appraisal of vehicle replacement, several of its assumptions present opportunities for extension. For example, green policy modeling could be made more dynamic by allowing fuel selection policy for each vehicle type to be adjusted multiple times over the planning horizon. Likewise, the model could be enhanced to account for changes in the total number of vehicles per type over time (currently, the model restricts attention on inertial investments, assuming that the number of vehicles per type and in total remains constant, with only fuel composition varying). Additional flexibility could be introduced by incorporating exceptions to the maximum age limit for certain vehicles under specific conditions. Moreover, expanding the model to include broader environmental indicators could help generate more targeted sustainability recommendations. While our analysis focuses on CO<sub>2</sub> reduction as an internal metric of environmental performance, future research could extend the framework by considering EU-carbon prices, providing additional insight into the economic significance of environmental impacts and supporting decision-making where carbon pricing is relevant. Specifically, the framework opens the way to analyzing the interaction between internal financial trade-offs and external regulatory pressures. An insightful extension would be to incorporate an explicit carbon price (e.g., mirroring the EU ETS) as a key model input. This would dynamically reshape the Net Value Curve. However, the net effect, resulting from a trade-off between increased operational costs and the relative financial advantage of a reduced compliance burden for lower emissions, cannot be determined a priori. Quantifying this effect and identifying the carbon price threshold at which the green transition becomes NPV-positive would provide critical insights for strategic planning under evolving regulatory scenarios.

Further refinements are possible through operations research techniques: rather than treating green purchasing percentages as fixed scenario inputs, one could model them as decision variables within a constrained bi-objective optimization framework, aiming to maximize both NPV and NGV. In this context, integer programming formulations, extending classical equipment replacement models, offer a promising avenue for integrating financial and environmental goals.

Although our CAPM-based analysis provides a foundation for assessing risk, the high number of inputs parameters naturally raises questions about how to quantify their effects on key outputs. To enhance the understanding of risk exposure, a stochastic modeling approach could be adopted, where key accounting and financial figures are treated as random variables. This could be implemented through techniques like Monte Carlo simulation to propagate uncertainty through the model. However, our preliminary sensitivity analysis suggests that changes in market input data do not significantly affect either the NPV or its relationship with NGV. This relationship holds even when variations in energy prices are considered. We acknowledge that a fully comprehensive sensitivity analysis presents significant complexity, as our framework does not evaluate a single project but multiple projects associated with different environmental policies. This multi-scenario context calls for a multidimensional sensitivity analysis, which would require substantial computational effort and a dedicated methodological exposition. These scope conditions should not be read as weaknesses but as natural boundaries of our contribution, which is purposefully focused on financial planning and financial evaluation within an accounting-and-finance perspective. In this regard, a promising future direction involves applying more comprehensive approaches such as the Clean Finite Change Sensitivity Index (Magni et al., 2020), which could precisely quantify each input's contribution to value creation across alternative policy scenarios.

The Net Value curve and shadow prices provide IREN managers with practical guidance for vehicle replacement decisions, highlighting the trade-off between financial value and CO<sub>2</sub> reduction. This framework allows prioritization of investments that maximize sustainability within acceptable financial costs, while the Split-Screen Approach ensures consistency with accounting, planning, and valuation principles.

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### Appendix A

Area	Processing model	Estimate	Decision	Total
Operating area (1)	Engineering Model	1557	687	2244
Operating area (2)	HookUp Model	-	2	2
Operating area (3)	Financial Model	10	-	10
Debt area	HookUp Model	18	3	21
Non-operating area	Financial Model	18	-	18
Equity area	Financial Model	-	1	1
Market data	Financial Model	7	-	7
<b>Total inputs</b>		<b>1610</b>	<b>693</b>	<b>2303</b>

Figure A1. Number and type of inputs by area.

Family code	Family name
OTT	Open top trucks
RLT	Rear loading compactor trucks
BLT	Bilateral loading trucks
SLT	Side loading trucks
HLT	Hooklift trucks w/wo crane
VDT	Vans and dump trucks
SSW	Street sweepers
TRA	Tractor units

Figure A2. Vehicle families.

Type ID	Vehicle type	Family code	Working hours per year [h/year/vehicle]	Maximum age allowed	Fuels available					
					Diesel	Gasoline	Full electric	Liquefied petroleum gas	Natural gas	Hybrid
01	Light open top trucks (GVW ≤ 2.2)	OTT	1900	8	x	x	x	x	x	
02	Medium open top trucks (2.2 t < GVW ≤ 3.5 t)	OTT	1800	8	x	x	x		x	x
03	Mini rear loading compactor trucks (GVW ≤ 3.5 t)	RLT	1700	10	x		x		x	x
04	Light rear loading compactor trucks (3.5 t < GVW = 7.5 t)	RLT	1700	10	x				x	x
05	Medium rear loading compactor trucks (7.5 t < GVW < 18 t)	RLT	1700	10	x				x	x
06	Heavy rear loading compactor trucks (18 t ≤ GVW ≤ 26 t)	RLT	1700	10	x				x	
07	Ultra-heavy rear loading compactor trucks (GVW > 26t)	RLT	1700	10	x				x	
08	Heavy bilateral loading trucks (18 t ≤ GVW ≤ 26 t)	BLT	2000	12	x				x	
09	Ultra-heavy bilateral loading trucks (GVW > 26t)	BLT	2000	12	x				x	
10	Medium side loading trucks (7.5 t < GVW < 18 t)	SLT	2000	12	x				x	
11	Heavy side loading trucks (18 t ≤ GVW ≤ 26 t)	SLT	2000	12	x				x	
12	Medium hooklift trucks w/wo crane (7.5 t < GVW < 18 t)	HLT	2200	12	x				x	
13	Heavy hooklift trucks w/wo crane (18 t ≤ GVW ≤ 26 t)	HLT	2200	12	x				x	
14	Ultra-heavy hooklift trucks w/wo crane > 26 t	HLT	2200	12	x				x	
15	Light vans and dump trucks (GVW ≤ 3.5 t)	VDT	1000	12	x		x	x	x	
16	Mini Street sweepers (1 m³ < tank volume ≤ 2 m³)	SSW	1500	8	x		x			
17	Compact street sweepers (2 m³ < tank volume ≤ 4 m³)	SSW	1500	8	x		x			
18	Large street sweepers (tank volume > 4 m³)	SSW	1500	8	x		x			
19	Tractor units	TRA	2200	12	x				x	

Figure A3. Vehicle types, working hours, maximum ages, fuels available.

Green Scenario	0	Selection and allocation green policy						1	Selection and allocation green policy					
Type ID	Green policy starting year	Diesel	Gasoline	Full electric	Liquefied petroleum gas	Natural gas	Hybrid	Green policy starting year	Diesel	Gasoline	Full electric	Liquefied petroleum gas	Natural gas	Hybrid
01	never	<i>Each vehicle is replaced with a new one of same type and same fuel</i>						2024			100%			
02	never							2024	60%		15%		10%	15%
03	never							2024	60%		15%		10%	15%
04	never							2024	60%				10%	30%
05	never							2028	70%				20%	10%
06	never							2028	70%				30%	
07	never							2028	70%				30%	
08	never							2028	70%				30%	
09	never							2028	70%				30%	
10	never							2028	70%				30%	
11	never							2028	70%				30%	
12	never							2028	70%				30%	
13	never							2028	70%				30%	
14	never							2028	70%				30%	
15	never							2024	60%		25%	5%	10%	
16	never							2024	60%		40%			
17	never							2028	60%		40%			
18	never							2028	60%		40%			
19	never							2028	70%				30%	

Figure A4. Green policy of Green Scenario 0 (status quo) and Green Scenario 1.

Green Scenario	2	Selection and allocation green policy						3	Selection and allocation green policy					
Type ID	Green policy starting year	Diesel	Gasoline	Full electric	Liquefied petroleum gas	Natural gas	Hybrid	Green policy starting year	Diesel	Gasoline	Full electric	Liquefied petroleum gas	Natural gas	Hybrid
01	2024			100%				2024			100%			
02	2024	40%		25%		15%	20%	2024	20%		35%		15%	30%
03	2024	40%		25%		15%	20%	2024	20%		35%		15%	30%
04	2024	40%				10%	50%	2024	20%				15%	65%
05	2028	50%				40%	10%	2026	50%				40%	10%
06	2028	60%				40%		2026	50%				50%	
07	2028	60%				40%		2026	50%				50%	
08	2028	60%				40%		2026	50%				50%	
09	2028	60%				40%		2026	50%				50%	
10	2028	60%				40%		2026	50%				50%	
11	2028	60%				40%		2026	50%				50%	
12	2028	60%				40%		2026	50%				50%	
13	2028	60%				40%		2026	50%				50%	
14	2028	60%				40%		2026	50%				50%	
15	2024	40%		35%	5%	20%		2024	20%		45%	5%	30%	
16	2024	40%		60%				2024	20%		80%			
17	2028	50%		50%				2026	50%		50%			
18	2028	50%		50%				2026	50%		50%			
19	2028	60%				40%		2026	50%				50%	

Figure A5. Green policy of Green Scenario 2 and Green Scenario 3.

Fuel	Fuel price (2023)	CO <sub>2</sub> conversion factor
Diesel	1.177 €/liter of diesel	2.647 kgCO <sub>2</sub> /liter of diesel
Gasoline	1.504 €/liter of gasoline	2.345 kgCO <sub>2</sub> /liter of gasoline
Full electric	0.400 €/kWh of EE	0.304 kgCO <sub>2</sub> /kWh of EE
Liquefied petroleum gas	0.630 €/liter of LPG	1.542 kgCO <sub>2</sub> /liter of LPG
Natural gas	1.324 €/kg of natural gas	1.960 kgCO <sub>2</sub> /kg of natural gas
Hybrid	1.177 €/liter of diesel	2.647 kgCO <sub>2</sub> /liter of diesel

Figure A6. Fuel price (2023), CO<sub>2</sub> conversion factor.

Year	Growth rate				
	Purchase price	Administrative costs	Maintenance costs	Fossil fuel costs	Electric energy costs
2023	-	-	-	-	-
2024	+3.00%	+1.80%	+3.00%	-13.60%	-27.51%
2025	+2.20%	+1.80%	+2.20%	-3.59%	-24.39%
2026	+2.00%	+1.80%	+2.00%	-4.97%	-4.92%
2027	+2.00%	+1.80%	+2.00%	+0.00%	-4.15%
2028	+2.00%	+1.80%	+2.00%	+0.00%	-4.76%
2029	+2.00%	+1.80%	+2.00%	+0.00%	-5.59%
2030	+2.00%	+1.80%	+2.00%	+0.00%	+0.28%
2031	+2.00%	+1.80%	+2.00%	+0.00%	-0.42%
2032	+2.00%	+1.80%	+2.00%	+0.00%	+0.34%
2033	+2.00%	+1.80%	+2.00%	+0.00%	+0.09%
2034	+2.00%	+1.80%	+2.00%	+0.00%	+0.21%
2035	+2.00%	+1.80%	+2.00%	+0.00%	+0.60%
2036	+2.00%	+1.80%	+2.00%	+0.00%	+0.00%
2037	+2.00%	+1.80%	+2.00%	+0.00%	+0.00%
2038	+2.00%	+1.80%	+2.00%	+0.00%	+0.00%
2039	+2.00%	+1.80%	+2.00%	+0.00%	+0.00%
2040	+2.00%	+1.80%	+2.00%	+0.00%	+0.00%

Figure A7. Growth rate of costs and prices.

Interest rate	Average interest rate 2023–2030	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030
		Provided by the IREN Group finance area							
$i^l_t$ Interest rate on liquid assets	3.59%	3.64%	4.12%	3.50%	3.50%	3.50%	3.50%	3.50%	3.50%
$i^d_t$ Loan Interest Rate	2.66%	2.14%	2.54%	2.55%	2.67%	2.60%	2.75%	2.84%	3.22%

Interest rate	Average interest rate 2023–2030	2031	2032	2033	2034	2035	2036	2037	2038	2039	2040
		Assumed equal to average interest rate 2023–2030									
$i^l_t$ Interest rate on liquid assets	3.59%	3.59%	3.59%	3.59%	3.59%	3.59%	3.59%	3.59%	3.59%	3.59%	3.59%
$i^d_t$ Loan Interest Rate	2.66%	2.66%	2.66%	2.66%	2.66%	2.66%	2.66%	2.66%	2.66%	2.66%	2.66%

Figure A8. Interest rates.

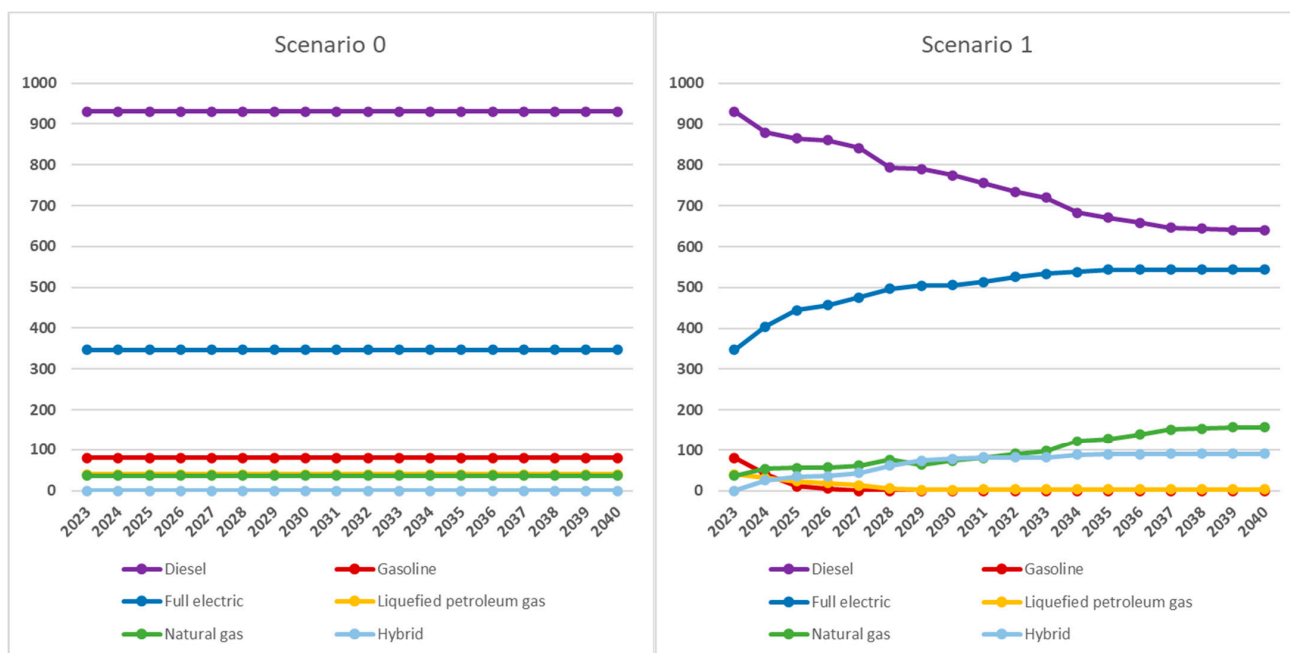


Figure A9. Number of vehicles by fuel and by year (Scenarios 0 and 1).

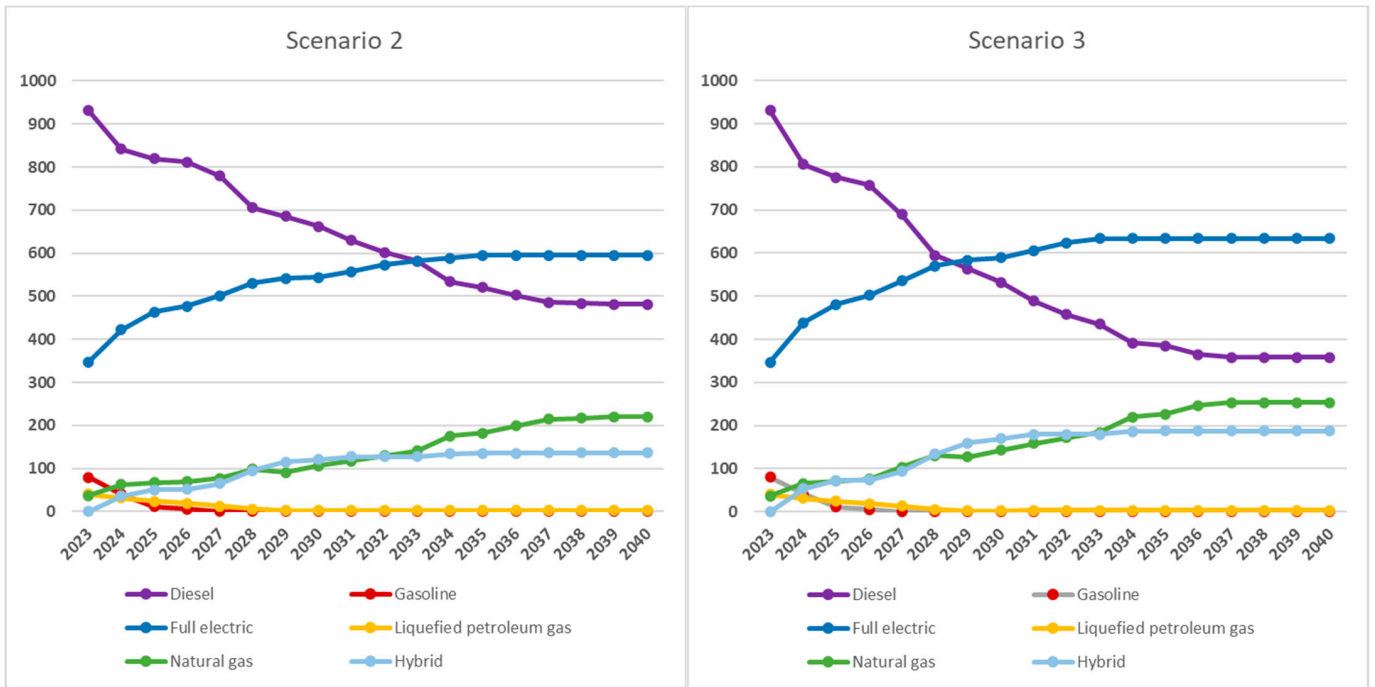


Figure A10. Number of vehicles by fuel and by year (Scenarios 2 and 3).

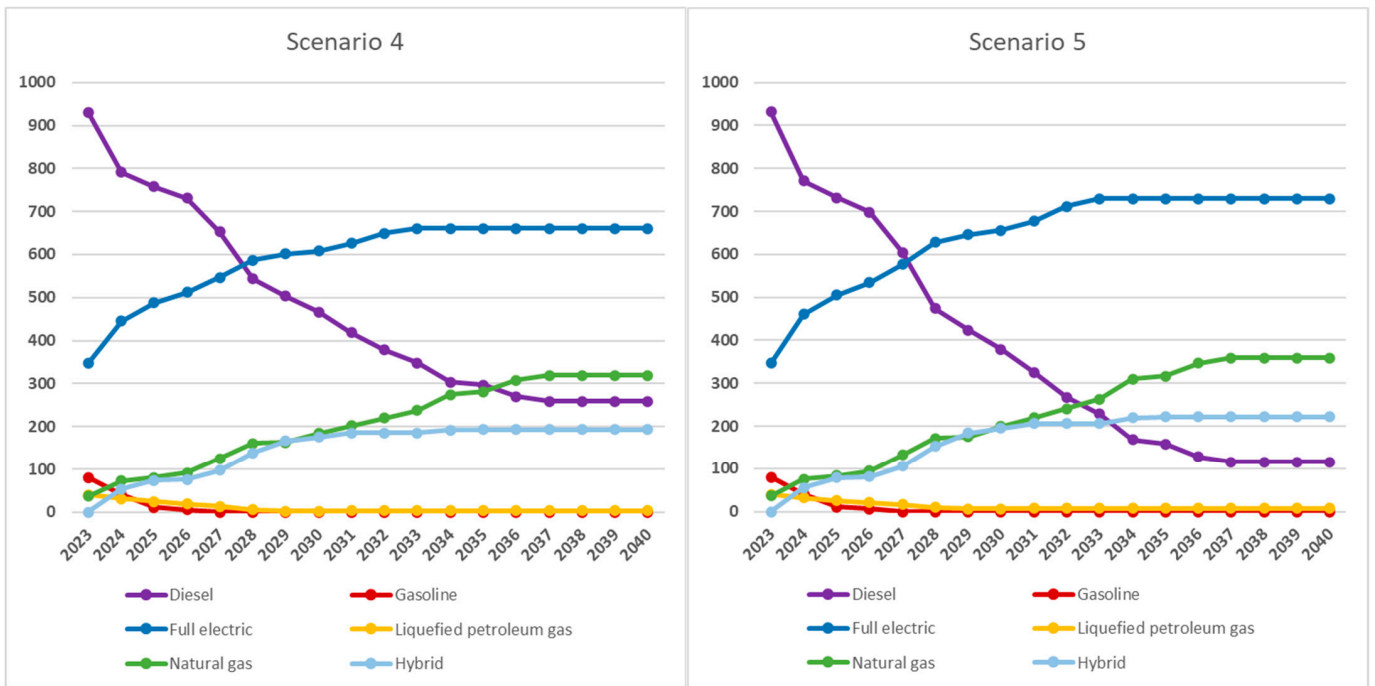


Figure A11. Number of vehicles by fuel and by year (Scenarios 4 and 5).

Green Scenario		1																		
		Year -->																		
		2023																		
		Vehicle age -->																		
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		2																		
		1																		
		0																		
		check																		
Vehicle type	Fuel	d.24-23 R<2008	d.24-23 R2008	d.24-23 R2009	d.24-23 R2010	d.24-23 R2011	d.24-23 R2012	d.24-23 R2013	d.24-23 R2014	d.24-23 R2015	d.24-23 R2016	d.24-23 R2017	d.24-23 R2018	d.24-23 R2019	d.24-23 R2020	d.24-23 R2021	d.24-23 R2022	d.24-23 R2023	d.24-23 R2024	check
Light open top trucks (GWV ≤2,2)	Diesel	-	-	-	-	-1	-3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-4
Light open top trucks (GWV ≤2,2)	Gasoline	-	-2	-	-	-1	-	-1	-	-	-16	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-20
Light open top trucks (GWV ≤2,2)	Full electric	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+33
Light open top trucks (GWV ≤2,2)	Liquefied petroleum gas	-	-2	-2	-	-	-	-	-1	-	-4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-9
Light open top trucks (GWV ≤2,2)	Natural gas	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Figure A12. Extract of "FleetVariation" sheet (Scenario 1, year 2023).

Age	Used vehicle price / New vehicle price [%]
0	80%
1	64%
2	51%
3	41%
4	37%
5	33%
6	30%
7	27%
8	24%
9	22%
10	20%
11	18%
12	16%
13	14%
14	13%
15	12%
16	10%
16+	7%

Figure A13. Relative price.

Green Scenario		1											
		Values in thousands of euros											
CapEx	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	...	2039	2040	
Useful life of the asset	TotCapEx23	TotCapEx24	TotCapEx25	TotCapEx26	TotCapEx27	TotCapEx28	TotCapEx29	TotCapEx30	TotCapEx31	...	TotCapEx39	TotCapEx40	
8	14,507	4870	5509	7172	9883	2437	990	153	17,538	...	20,548	0	
10	13,067	4413	632	6168	9207	8155	3671	1982	2567	...	4475	0	
12	7661	3636	1660	3117	3871	809	5464	3687	4348	...	4910	0	
<b>Total</b>	<b>35,234</b>	<b>12,918</b>	<b>7802</b>	<b>16,457</b>	<b>22,961</b>	<b>11,402</b>	<b>10,126</b>	<b>5822</b>	<b>24,453</b>	...	<b>29,934</b>	<b>0</b>	

Figure A14. CapEx classified by useful life of assets (Scenario 1).

Depreciation charge	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	...	2039	2040
Useful life of the asset	Dep. Charge 23	Dep. Charge 24	Dep. Charge 25	Dep. Charge 26	Dep. Charge 27	Dep. Charge 28	Dep. Charge 29	Dep. Charge 30	Dep. Charge 31	...	Dep. Charge 39	Dep. Charge 40
8	0	1813	609	689	897	1235	305	124	19	...	22	2569
10	0	1307	441	63	617	921	816	367	198	...	994	448
12	0	638	303	138	260	323	67	455	307	...	339	409
<b>Total</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3758</b>	<b>1353</b>	<b>890</b>	<b>1773</b>	<b>2479</b>	<b>1188</b>	<b>946</b>	<b>525</b>	...	<b>1356</b>	<b>3425</b>

Figure A15. Depreciation charge classified by useful life of assets (Scenario 1).

Total Depreciation	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	...	2039	2040
Useful life of the asset	Dep. 23	Dep. 24	Dep. 25	Dep. 26	Dep. 27	Dep. 28	Dep. 29	Dep. 30	Dep. 31	...	Dep. 39	Dep. 40
8	0	1813	2422	3111	4007	5243	5547	5671	5690	...	6828	7204
10	0	1307	1748	1811	2428	3349	4164	4531	4729	...	6105	6185
12	0	638	941	1080	1340	1662	1730	2185	2492	...	3919	4006
<b>Total</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3758</b>	<b>5111</b>	<b>6002</b>	<b>7775</b>	<b>10,253</b>	<b>11,441</b>	<b>12,387</b>	<b>12,912</b>	...	<b>16,852</b>	<b>17,395</b>

Figure A16. Total depreciation classified by useful life of assets (Scenario 1).

Debt	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	...	2039	2040
	Debt23	Debt24	Debt25	Debt26	Debt27	Debt28	Debt29	Debt30	Debt31	...	Debt39	Debt40
Principal repayments		3758	5111	6002	7775	10,253	11,441	12,387	12,912	...	16,852	101,089
Additional debt		12,918	7,802	16,457	22,961	11,402	10,126	5,822	24,453	...	29,934	-
<b>Outstanding debt</b>	<b>35,234</b>	<b>44,394</b>	<b>47,084</b>	<b>57,540</b>	<b>72,727</b>	<b>73,875</b>	<b>72,560</b>	<b>65,995</b>	<b>77,536</b>	...	<b>101,089</b>	<b>-</b>

Figure A17. Debt classified by useful life of assets (Scenario 1).

Project		1	The values of this table are obtained as the differences between the values of the selected scenario (Green Scenario 1) and the status quo (Green Scenario 0). See tables on the left.							
Heading	Abbreviation	SplitScreenStrips Abbreviation	Area	u.m	2023	2024	2025	...	2039	2040
Operating & Maintenance Costs (administrative)	- AdmC	- O&M <sup>adm</sup>	Operating area	(000) €	-	53	77	...	194	220
Operating & Maintenance Costs (maintenance)	- MntC	- O&M <sup>mnt</sup>	Operating area	(000) €	-	-8	-14	...	-279	-285
Operating & Maintenance Costs (fuels)	- FuelC	- O&M <sup>fuel</sup>	Operating area	(000) €	-	243	347	...	753	753
Depreciation	- Dep	- Dep	Operating area	(000) €	-	-183	-268	...	-1080	-1129
Asset Disposal	+ AD			(000) €	-	-	-	...	615	4972
Book value of disposed assets	+ BV			(000) €	-	-	-	...	-	4964
Net Gain on asset disposals	+ AD - BV	+ NetGain	Operating area	(000) €	-	-	-	...	615	7
CapEx	+ CapEx			(000) €	1537	713	236	...	2700	-
Book value of disposed assets	+ BV			(000) €	-	-	-	...	-	4964
Cash flow from Net Asset disposals	+ CapEx - BV	- P <sup>nfa</sup>	Operating area	(000) €	1537	713	236	...	2700	-4964
Outstanding debt	+ Debt	+ C <sup>d</sup>	Debt area	(000) €	1537	2067	2036	...	6093	-
Interest expenses	+ i <sup>d</sup> × Debt <sub>t-1</sub>	+ I <sup>d</sup>	Debt area	(000) €	-	39	53	...	119	162

Figure A18. Accounting data for Project 1 (differences between the data of Figures A19 and A20).

Green Scenario		1								
Heading	Abbreviation	SplitScreenStrips Abbreviation	Area	u.m	2023	2024	2025	...	2039	2040
Operating & Maintenance Costs (administrative)	- AdmC	- O&M <sup>adm</sup>	Operating area	(000) €	-	-2174	-2204	...	-2682	-2715
Operating & Maintenance Costs (maintenance)	- MntC	- O&M <sup>mnt</sup>	Operating area	(000) €	-	-3989	-4080	...	-5663	-5754
Operating & Maintenance Costs (fuels)	- FuelC	- O&M <sup>fuel</sup>	Operating area	(000) €	-	-7479	-7063	...	-6273	-6273
Total Depreciation	- Dep	- Dep	Operating area	(000) €	-	-3758	-5111	...	-16,852	-17,395
Asset Disposal	+ AD			(000) €	5027	2402	1636	...	6496	79167
Book value of disposed assets	+ BV			(000) €	-	-	-	...	-	83694
Net Gain on asset disposals	+ AD - BV	+ NetGain	Operating area	(000) €	5027	2402	1636	...	6496	-4526
CapEx	+ CapEx			(000) €	35,234	12,918	7802	...	29,934	-
Book value of disposed assets	+ BV			(000) €	-	-	-	...	-	83,694
Cash flow from Net Asset disposals	+ CapEx - BV	- P <sup>nfa</sup>	Operating area	(000) €	35,234	12,918	7802	...	29,934	-83,694
Outstanding debt	+ Debt	+ C <sup>d</sup>	Debt area	(000) €	35,234	44,394	47,084	...	101,089	-
Interest expenses	+ i <sup>d</sup> × Debt <sub>t-1</sub>	+ I <sup>d</sup>	Debt area	(000) €	-	896	1131	...	2343	2691

Figure A19. Accounting data for Green Scenario 1.

Green Scenario		0								
Heading	Abbreviation	SplitScreenStrips Abbreviation	Area	u.m	2023	2024	2025	...	2039	2040
Operating & Maintenance Costs (administrative)	- AdmC	- O&M <sup>adm</sup>	Operating area	(000) €	-	-2227	-2281	...	-2876	-2935
Operating & Maintenance Costs (maintenance)	- MntC	- O&M <sup>mnt</sup>	Operating area	(000) €	-	-3981	-4066	...	-5384	-5469
Operating & Maintenance Costs (fuels)	- FuelC	- O&M <sup>fuel</sup>	Operating area	(000) €	-	-7722	-7410	...	-7026	-7026
Depreciation	- Dep	- Dep	Operating area	(000) €	-	-3575	-4844	...	-15,772	-16,266
Asset Disposal	+ AD			(000) €	5027	2402	1636	...	5881	74,196
Book value of disposed assets	+ BV			(000) €	-	-	-	...	-	78730
Net Gain on asset disposals	+ AD - BV	+ NetGain	Operating area	(000) €	5027	2402	1636	...	5881	-4534
CapEx	+ CapEx			(000) €	33,696	12,205	7566	...	27,234	-
Book value of disposed assets	+ BV			(000) €	-	-	-	...	-	78,730
Cash flow from Net Asset disposals	+ CapEx - BV	- P <sup>nfa</sup>	Operating area	(000) €	33,696	12,205	7566	...	27,234	-78,730
Outstanding debt	+ Debt	+ C <sup>d</sup>	Debt area	(000) €	33,696	42,326	45,049	...	94,996	-
Interest expenses	+ i <sup>d</sup> × Debt <sub>t-1</sub>	+ I <sup>d</sup>	Debt area	(000) €	-	857	1078	...	2224	2529

Figure A20. Accounting data for Green Scenario 0 (status quo).

Project	C	I	F	C	I	F	C	I	F	C	I	F	C
1	-1 2022	0 2023	0 2023	0 2023	1 2024	1 2024	1 2024	2 2025	2 2025	2 2025	3 2026	3 2026	3 2026

Project: Full-scale Matrix													
area	C <sub>-1</sub>	+I <sub>0</sub>	-F <sub>0</sub>	C <sub>0</sub>	+I <sub>1</sub>	-F <sub>1</sub>	C <sub>1</sub>	+I <sub>2</sub>	-F <sub>2</sub>	C <sub>2</sub>	+I <sub>3</sub>	-F <sub>3</sub>	C <sub>3</sub>
	+ BALANCE SHEET	+ INCOME STATEMENT	- CASH FLOW STATEMENT	+ BALANCE SHEET	+ INCOME STATEMENT	- CASH FLOW STATEMENT	+ BALANCE SHEET	+ INCOME STATEMENT	- CASH FLOW STATEMENT	+ BALANCE SHEET	+ INCOME STATEMENT	- CASH FLOW STATEMENT	+ BALANCE SHEET
Customers (sales and services)	+ Acc. Receivable (S&S) 0	+ S&S revenues 0	- Cash receipts from customers 0	+ Acc. Receivable (S&S) 0	+ S&S revenues 0	- Cash receipts from customers 0	+ Acc. Receivable (S&S) 0	+ S&S revenues 0	- Cash receipts from customers 0	+ Acc. Receivable (S&S) 0	+ S&S revenues 0	- Cash receipts from customers 0	+ Acc. Receivable (S&S) 0
Customers (asset purchasers)	+ Acc. Receivable (asset disp.) 0	+ Net gain 0	- Cash flow from Net Gain 0	+ Acc. Receivable (asset disp.) 0	+ Net gain 0	- Cash flow from Net Gain 0	+ Acc. Receivable (asset disp.) 0	+ Net gain 0	- Cash flow from Net Gain 0	+ Acc. Receivable (asset disp.) 0	+ Net gain 0	- Cash flow from Net Gain 0	+ Acc. Receivable (asset disp.) 0
Suppliers (administrative)	- Acc. Payable (adm) 0	- O&M (adm) 0	+ Payments to suppliers (adm) 0	- Acc. Payable (adm) 0	- O&M (adm) 53	+ Payments to suppliers (adm) -51	- Acc. Payable (adm) 2	- O&M (adm) 77	+ Payments to suppliers (adm) -76	- Acc. Payable (adm) 3	- O&M (adm) 88	+ Payments to suppliers (adm) -88	- Acc. Payable (adm) 4
Suppliers (maintenance)	- Acc. Payable (mnt) 0	- O&M (mnt) 0	+ Payments to suppliers (mnt) 0	- Acc. Payable (mnt) 0	- O&M (mnt) -8	+ Payments to suppliers (mnt) 5	- Acc. Payable (mnt) -3	- O&M (mnt) -14	+ Payments to suppliers (mnt) 12	- Acc. Payable (mnt) -5	- O&M (mnt) -13	+ Payments to suppliers (mnt) 13	- Acc. Payable (mnt) -4
Suppliers (fuels)	- Acc. Payable (fuels) 0	- O&M (fuels) 0	+ Payments to suppliers (fuels) 0	- Acc. Payable (fuels) 0	- O&M (fuels) 243	+ Payments to suppliers (fuels) -223	- Acc. Payable (fuels) 20	- O&M (fuels) 347	+ Payments to suppliers (fuels) -339	- Acc. Payable (fuels) 29	- O&M (fuels) 360	+ Payments to suppliers (fuels) -359	- Acc. Payable (fuels) 30
Fixed assets	+ Net Fixed Assets 0	- Depreciation 0	- Cash flow from Net Asset disp. 1537	+ Net Fixed Assets 1537	- Depreciation -183	- Cash flow from Net Asset disp. 713	+ Net Fixed Assets 2067	- Depreciation -268	- Cash flow from Net Asset disp. 236	+ Net Fixed Assets 2036	- Depreciation -294	- Cash flow from Net Asset disp. 480	+ Net Fixed Assets 2222
Treasury (res Tax)	- Taxes Payable (res) 0	- Taxes (res) 0	+ Payments for income taxes (res) 0	- Taxes Payable (res) 0	- Taxes (res) -16	+ Payments for income taxes (res) 31	- Taxes Payable (res) -16	- Taxes (res) -22	+ Payments for income taxes (res) 31	- Taxes Payable (res) -6	- Taxes (res) -21	+ Payments for income taxes (res) 28	- Taxes Payable (res) 0
Treasury (trap Tax)	- Taxes Payable (trap) 0	- Taxes (trap) 0	+ Payments for income taxes (trap) 0	- Taxes Payable (trap) 0	- Taxes (trap) -4	+ Payments for income taxes (trap) -4	- Taxes Payable (trap) -4	- Taxes (trap) -6	+ Payments for income taxes (trap) 9	- Taxes Payable (trap) 0	- Taxes (trap) -2	+ Payments for income taxes (trap) 8	- Taxes Payable (trap) 0
Non operating area	+ Liquid Assets 0	+ Financial income 0	- Cash flow from liquid assets 0	+ Liquid Assets 0	+ Financial income 0	- Cash flow from liquid assets 46	+ Liquid Assets 46	+ Financial income 2	- Cash flow from liquid assets 17	+ Liquid Assets 65	+ Financial income 2	- Cash flow from liquid assets 14	+ Liquid Assets 82
Debt holders	+ Debt 0	+ Interest expenses 0	- Cash flow to debt 1537	+ Debt 1537	+ Interest expenses 39	- Cash flow to debt 491	+ Debt 2067	+ Interest expenses 53	- Cash flow to debt -85	+ Debt 2036	+ Interest expenses 54	- Cash flow to debt 132	+ Debt 2222
Equity holders	+ Equity 0	+ Net Income 0	- Cash flow to equity 0	+ Equity 0	+ Net Income 45	- Cash flow to equity 0	+ Equity 45	+ Net Income 64	- Cash flow to equity -25	+ Equity 84	+ Net Income 62	- Cash flow to equity -35	+ Equity 111

Expanded Matrix													
area	C <sub>-1</sub>	+I <sub>0</sub>	-F <sub>0</sub>	C <sub>0</sub>	+I <sub>1</sub>	-F <sub>1</sub>	C <sub>1</sub>	+I <sub>2</sub>	-F <sub>2</sub>	C <sub>2</sub>	+I <sub>3</sub>	-F <sub>3</sub>	C <sub>3</sub>
	+ BALANCE SHEET	+ INCOME STATEMENT	- CASH FLOW STATEMENT	+ BALANCE SHEET	+ INCOME STATEMENT	- CASH FLOW STATEMENT	+ BALANCE SHEET	+ INCOME STATEMENT	- CASH FLOW STATEMENT	+ BALANCE SHEET	+ INCOME STATEMENT	- CASH FLOW STATEMENT	+ BALANCE SHEET
Customers	+ Accounts Receivable 0	+ Sales and net gain 0	- Cash from customers & Net Gain 0	+ Accounts Receivable 0	+ Sales and net gain 0	- Cash from customers & Net Gain 0	+ Accounts Receivable 0	+ Sales and net gain 0	- Cash from customers & Net Gain 0	+ Accounts Receivable 0	+ Sales and net gain 0	- Cash from customers & Net Gain 0	+ Accounts Receivable 0
Suppliers	- Accounts Payable 0	- O&M 0	+ Payments to suppliers 0	- Accounts Payable 0	- O&M 288	+ Payments to suppliers -268	- Accounts Payable 19	- O&M 410	+ Payments to suppliers -403	- Accounts Payable 27	- O&M 436	+ Payments to suppliers -434	- Accounts Payable 29
Fixed assets	+ Net Fixed Assets 0	- Depreciation 0	- Cash flow from Net Asset disp. 1537	+ Net Fixed Assets 1537	- Depreciation -183	- Cash flow from Net Asset disp. 713	+ Net Fixed Assets 2067	- Depreciation -268	- Cash flow from Net Asset disp. 236	+ Net Fixed Assets 2036	- Depreciation -294	- Cash flow from Net Asset disp. 480	+ Net Fixed Assets 2222
Treasury	- Taxes Payable 0	- Taxes 0	+ Payments for income taxes 0	- Taxes Payable 0	- Taxes -20	+ Payments for income taxes 0	- Taxes Payable -20	- Taxes -28	+ Payments for income taxes 40	- Taxes Payable -8	- Taxes -27	+ Payments for income taxes 36	- Taxes Payable 1
Non operating area	+ Liquid Assets 0	+ Financial income 0	- Cash flow from liquid assets 0	+ Liquid Assets 0	+ Financial income 0	- Cash flow from liquid assets 46	+ Liquid Assets 46	+ Financial income 2	- Cash flow from liquid assets 17	+ Liquid Assets 65	+ Financial income 2	- Cash flow from liquid assets 14	+ Liquid Assets 82
Debt holders	+ Debt 0	+ Interest expenses 0	- Cash flow to debt 1537	+ Debt 1537	+ Interest expenses 39	- Cash flow to debt 491	+ Debt 2067	+ Interest expenses 53	- Cash flow to debt -85	+ Debt 2036	+ Interest expenses 54	- Cash flow to debt 132	+ Debt 2222
Equity holders	+ Equity 0	+ Net Income 0	- Cash flow to equity 0	+ Equity 0	+ Net Income 45	- Cash flow to equity 0	+ Equity 45	+ Net Income 64	- Cash flow to equity -25	+ Equity 84	+ Net Income 62	- Cash flow to equity -35	+ Equity 111

Four-area Matrix													
area	C <sub>-1</sub>	+I <sub>0</sub>	-F <sub>0</sub>	C <sub>0</sub>	+I <sub>1</sub>	-F <sub>1</sub>	C <sub>1</sub>	+I <sub>2</sub>	-F <sub>2</sub>	C <sub>2</sub>	+I <sub>3</sub>	-F <sub>3</sub>	C <sub>3</sub>
	+ BALANCE SHEET	+ INCOME STATEMENT	- CASH FLOW STATEMENT	+ BALANCE SHEET	+ INCOME STATEMENT	- CASH FLOW STATEMENT	+ BALANCE SHEET	+ INCOME STATEMENT	- CASH FLOW STATEMENT	+ BALANCE SHEET	+ INCOME STATEMENT	- CASH FLOW STATEMENT	+ BALANCE SHEET
Operating area	+ Operating Assets 0	+ Operating income 0	- Cash flow from operations 1537	+ Operating Assets 1537	+ Operating income 85	- Cash flow from operations 445	+ Operating Assets 2067	+ Operating income 115	- Cash flow from operations -127	+ Operating Assets 2055	+ Operating income 114	- Cash flow from operations 82	+ Operating Assets 2251
Non operating area	+ Liquid Assets 0	+ Financial income 0	- Cash flow from liquid assets 0	+ Liquid Assets 0	+ Financial income 0	- Cash flow from liquid assets 46	+ Liquid Assets 46	+ Financial income 2	- Cash flow from liquid assets 17	+ Liquid Assets 65	+ Financial income 2	- Cash flow from liquid assets 14	+ Liquid Assets 82
Debt area	+ Debt 0	+ Interest expenses 0	- Cash flow to debt 1537	+ Debt 1537	+ Interest expenses 39	- Cash flow to debt 491	+ Debt 2067	+ Interest expenses 53	- Cash flow to debt -85	+ Debt 2036	+ Interest expenses 54	- Cash flow to debt 132	+ Debt 2222
Equity area	+ Equity 0	+ Net Income 0	- Cash flow to equity 0	+ Equity 0	+ Net Income 45	- Cash flow to equity 0	+ Equity 45	+ Net Income 64	- Cash flow to equity -25	+ Equity 84	+ Net Income 62	- Cash flow to equity -35	+ Equity 111

Germ Matrix													
area	C <sub>-1</sub>	+I <sub>0</sub>	-F <sub>0</sub>	C <sub>0</sub>	+I <sub>1</sub>	-F <sub>1</sub>	C <sub>1</sub>	+I <sub>2</sub>	-F <sub>2</sub>	C <sub>2</sub>	+I <sub>3</sub>	-F <sub>3</sub>	C <sub>3</sub>
	+ BALANCE SHEET	+ INCOME STATEMENT	- CASH FLOW STATEMENT	+ BALANCE SHEET	+ INCOME STATEMENT	- CASH FLOW STATEMENT	+ BALANCE SHEET	+ INCOME STATEMENT	- CASH FLOW STATEMENT	+ BALANCE SHEET	+ INCOME STATEMENT	- CASH FLOW STATEMENT	+ BALANCE SHEET
Investment area	+ Investments 0	+ Income from investments 0	- Cash flow from investment 1537	+ Investments 1537	+ Income from investments 85	- Cash flow from investment 491	+ Investments 2113	+ Income from investments 116	- Cash flow from investment -110	+ Investments 2120	+ Income from investments 116	- Cash flow from investment 97	+ Investments 2333
Financing area	+ Financings 0	+ Income to capital providers 0	- Cash flow to capital providers 1537	+ Financings 1537	+ Income to capital providers 85	- Cash flow to capital providers 491	+ Financings 2113	+ Income to capital providers 116	- Cash flow to capital providers -110	+ Financings 2120	+ Income to capital providers 116	- Cash flow to capital providers 97	+ Financings 2333

Figure A21. Extract from “Project\_SSMstrip\_Acclabels” sheet (Project 1—years from 2023 to 2026).

Project	C	I	F	C	I	F	C	I	F	C	I	F	C
1	3	4	4	4	5	5	5	6	6	6	7	7	7
	2026	2027	2027	2027	2028	2028	2028	2029	2029	2029	2030	2030	2030
<b>Project: Full-scale Matrix</b>													
area	C <sub>3</sub>	+I <sub>4</sub>	-F <sub>4</sub>	C <sub>4</sub>	+I <sub>5</sub>	-F <sub>5</sub>	C <sub>5</sub>	+I <sub>6</sub>	-F <sub>6</sub>	C <sub>6</sub>	+I <sub>7</sub>	-F <sub>7</sub>	C <sub>7</sub>
	+ BALANCE SHEET	+ INCOME STATEMENT	- CASH FLOW STATEMENT	+ BALANCE SHEET	+ INCOME STATEMENT	- CASH FLOW STATEMENT	+ BALANCE SHEET	+ INCOME STATEMENT	- CASH FLOW STATEMENT	+ BALANCE SHEET	+ INCOME STATEMENT	- CASH FLOW STATEMENT	+ BALANCE SHEET
Customers (sales and services)	+ Acc. Receivable (S&S) 0	+ S&S revenues 0	- Cash receipts from customers 0	+ Acc. Receivable (S&S) 0	+ S&S revenues 0	- Cash receipts from customers 0	+ Acc. Receivable (S&S) 0	+ S&S revenues 0	- Cash receipts from customers 0	+ Acc. Receivable (S&S) 0	+ S&S revenues 0	- Cash receipts from customers 0	+ Acc. Receivable (S&S) 0
Customers (asset purchasers)	+ Acc. Receivable (asset disp.) 0	+ Net gain 0	- Cash flow from Net Gain 0	+ Acc. Receivable (asset disp.) 0	+ Net gain 0	- Cash flow from Net Gain 0	+ Acc. Receivable (asset disp.) 0	+ Net gain 0	- Cash flow from Net Gain 0	+ Acc. Receivable (asset disp.) 0	+ Net gain 0	- Cash flow from Net Gain 0	+ Acc. Receivable (asset disp.) 0
Suppliers (administrative)	- Acc. Payable (adm) 4	- O&M (adm) 109	+ Payments to suppliers (adm) -108	- Acc. Payable (adm) 4	- O&M (adm) 138	+ Payments to suppliers (adm) -137	- Acc. Payable (adm) 6	- O&M (adm) 111	+ Payments to suppliers (adm) -112	- Acc. Payable (adm) 5	- O&M (adm) 120	+ Payments to suppliers (adm) -120	- Acc. Payable (adm) 5
Suppliers (maintenance)	- Acc. Payable (mnt) -4	- O&M (mnt) -12	+ Payments to suppliers (mnt) 12	- Acc. Payable (mnt) -4	- O&M (mnt) -33	+ Payments to suppliers (mnt) 26	- Acc. Payable (mnt) -11	- O&M (mnt) -15	+ Payments to suppliers (mnt) 21	- Acc. Payable (mnt) -5	- O&M (mnt) -37	+ Payments to suppliers (mnt) 30	- Acc. Payable (mnt) -12
Suppliers (fuels)	- Acc. Payable (fuels) 30	- O&M (fuels) 420	+ Payments to suppliers (fuels) -415	- Acc. Payable (fuels) 35	- O&M (fuels) 510	+ Payments to suppliers (fuels) -503	- Acc. Payable (fuels) 42	- O&M (fuels) 544	+ Payments to suppliers (fuels) -541	- Acc. Payable (fuels) 45	- O&M (fuels) 576	+ Payments to suppliers (fuels) -574	- Acc. Payable (fuels) 47
Fixed assets	+ Net Fixed Assets 2222	- Depreciation -345	- Cash flow from Net Asset disp. 1157	+ Net Fixed Assets 3034	- Depreciation -468	- Cash flow from Net Asset disp. 1115	+ Net Fixed Assets 2451	- Depreciation -460	- Cash flow from Net Asset disp. 345	+ Net Fixed Assets 2336	- Depreciation -489	- Cash flow from Net Asset disp. 454	+ Net Fixed Assets 2301
Treasury (res Tax)	- Taxes Payable (res) 1	- Taxes (res) -28	+ Payments for income taxes (res) 29	- Taxes Payable (res) -7	- Taxes (res) -18	+ Payments for income taxes (res) 35	- Taxes Payable (res) 12	- Taxes (res) -27	+ Payments for income taxes (res) 15	- Taxes Payable (res) -11	- Taxes (res) -24	+ Payments for income taxes (res) 35	- Taxes Payable (res) 3
Treasury (trap Tax)	- Taxes Payable (trap) 1	- Taxes (trap) -7	+ Payments for income taxes (trap) 6	- Taxes Payable (trap) -1	- Taxes (trap) -6	+ Payments for income taxes (trap) 9	- Taxes Payable (trap) 1	- Taxes (trap) -8	+ Payments for income taxes (trap) 5	- Taxes Payable (trap) -1	- Taxes (trap) -9	+ Payments for income taxes (trap) 9	- Taxes Payable (trap) 0
Non operating area	+ Liquid Assets 82	+ Financial income 3	- Cash flow from liquid assets 47	+ Liquid Assets 132	+ Financial income 5	- Cash flow from liquid assets -26	+ Liquid Assets 110	+ Financial income 4	- Cash flow from liquid assets 67	+ Liquid Assets 181	+ Financial income 6	- Cash flow from liquid assets 9	+ Liquid Assets 197
Debt holders	+ Debt 2222	+ Interest expenses 58	- Cash flow to debt 755	+ Debt 3034	+ Interest expenses 83	- Cash flow to debt -666	+ Debt 2451	+ Interest expenses 70	- Cash flow to debt -185	+ Debt 2336	+ Interest expenses 75	- Cash flow to debt -110	+ Debt 2301
Equity holders	+ Equity 111	+ Net Income 82	- Cash flow to equity -34	+ Equity 159	+ Net Income 46	- Cash flow to equity -45	+ Equity 160	+ Net Income 79	- Cash flow to equity -25	+ Equity 213	+ Net Income 70	- Cash flow to equity -43	+ Equity 240
<b>Expanded Matrix</b>													
area	C <sub>3</sub>	+I <sub>4</sub>	-F <sub>4</sub>	C <sub>4</sub>	+I <sub>5</sub>	-F <sub>5</sub>	C <sub>5</sub>	+I <sub>6</sub>	-F <sub>6</sub>	C <sub>6</sub>	+I <sub>7</sub>	-F <sub>7</sub>	C <sub>7</sub>
	+ BALANCE SHEET	+ INCOME STATEMENT	- CASH FLOW STATEMENT	+ BALANCE SHEET	+ INCOME STATEMENT	- CASH FLOW STATEMENT	+ BALANCE SHEET	+ INCOME STATEMENT	- CASH FLOW STATEMENT	+ BALANCE SHEET	+ INCOME STATEMENT	- CASH FLOW STATEMENT	+ BALANCE SHEET
Customers	+ Accounts Receivable 0	+ Sales and net gain 0	- Cash from customers & Net Gain 0	+ Accounts Receivable 0	+ Sales and net gain 0	- Cash from customers & Net Gain 0	+ Accounts Receivable 0	+ Sales and net gain 0	- Cash from customers & Net Gain 0	+ Accounts Receivable 0	+ Sales and net gain 0	- Cash from customers & Net Gain 0	+ Accounts Receivable 0
Suppliers	- Accounts Payable 29	- O&M 517	+ Payments to suppliers -511	- Accounts Payable 35	- O&M 615	+ Payments to suppliers -613	- Accounts Payable 37	- O&M 640	+ Payments to suppliers -632	- Accounts Payable 44	- O&M 659	+ Payments to suppliers -663	- Accounts Payable 40
Fixed assets	+ Net Fixed Assets 2222	- Depreciation -345	- Cash flow from Net Asset disp. 1157	+ Net Fixed Assets 3034	- Depreciation -468	- Cash flow from Net Asset disp. 1115	+ Net Fixed Assets 2451	- Depreciation -460	- Cash flow from Net Asset disp. 345	+ Net Fixed Assets 2336	- Depreciation -489	- Cash flow from Net Asset disp. 454	+ Net Fixed Assets 2301
Treasury	- Taxes Payable 1	- Taxes -35	+ Payments for income taxes 27	- Taxes Payable -8	- Taxes -23	+ Payments for income taxes 43	- Taxes Payable 13	- Taxes -35	+ Payments for income taxes 10	- Taxes Payable -12	- Taxes -31	+ Payments for income taxes 47	- Taxes Payable 3
Non operating area	+ Liquid Assets 82	+ Financial income 3	- Cash flow from liquid assets 47	+ Liquid Assets 132	+ Financial income 5	- Cash flow from liquid assets -26	+ Liquid Assets 110	+ Financial income 4	- Cash flow from liquid assets 67	+ Liquid Assets 181	+ Financial income 6	- Cash flow from liquid assets 9	+ Liquid Assets 197
Debt holders	+ Debt 2222	+ Interest expenses 58	- Cash flow to debt 755	+ Debt 3034	+ Interest expenses 83	- Cash flow to debt -666	+ Debt 2451	+ Interest expenses 70	- Cash flow to debt -185	+ Debt 2336	+ Interest expenses 75	- Cash flow to debt -110	+ Debt 2301
Equity holders	+ Equity 111	+ Net Income 82	- Cash flow to equity -34	+ Equity 159	+ Net Income 46	- Cash flow to equity -45	+ Equity 160	+ Net Income 79	- Cash flow to equity -25	+ Equity 213	+ Net Income 70	- Cash flow to equity -43	+ Equity 240
<b>Four-area Matrix</b>													
area	C <sub>3</sub>	+I <sub>4</sub>	-F <sub>4</sub>	C <sub>4</sub>	+I <sub>5</sub>	-F <sub>5</sub>	C <sub>5</sub>	+I <sub>6</sub>	-F <sub>6</sub>	C <sub>6</sub>	+I <sub>7</sub>	-F <sub>7</sub>	C <sub>7</sub>
	+ BALANCE SHEET	+ INCOME STATEMENT	- CASH FLOW STATEMENT	+ BALANCE SHEET	+ INCOME STATEMENT	- CASH FLOW STATEMENT	+ BALANCE SHEET	+ INCOME STATEMENT	- CASH FLOW STATEMENT	+ BALANCE SHEET	+ INCOME STATEMENT	- CASH FLOW STATEMENT	+ BALANCE SHEET
Operating area	+ Operating Assets 2251	+ Operating income 137	- Cash flow from operations 673	+ Operating Assets 3061	+ Operating income 125	- Cash flow from operations -685	+ Operating Assets 2501	+ Operating income 145	- Cash flow from operations -277	+ Operating Assets 2368	+ Operating income 139	- Cash flow from operations -162	+ Operating Assets 2344
Non operating area	+ Liquid Assets 82	+ Financial income 3	- Cash flow from liquid assets 47	+ Liquid Assets 132	+ Financial income 5	- Cash flow from liquid assets -26	+ Liquid Assets 110	+ Financial income 4	- Cash flow from liquid assets 67	+ Liquid Assets 181	+ Financial income 6	- Cash flow from liquid assets 9	+ Liquid Assets 197
Debt area	+ Debt 2222	+ Interest expenses 58	- Cash flow to debt 755	+ Debt 3034	+ Interest expenses 83	- Cash flow to debt -666	+ Debt 2451	+ Interest expenses 70	- Cash flow to debt -185	+ Debt 2336	+ Interest expenses 75	- Cash flow to debt -110	+ Debt 2301
Equity area	+ Equity 111	+ Net Income 82	- Cash flow to equity -34	+ Equity 159	+ Net Income 46	- Cash flow to equity -45	+ Equity 160	+ Net Income 79	- Cash flow to equity -25	+ Equity 213	+ Net Income 70	- Cash flow to equity -43	+ Equity 240
<b>Germ Matrix</b>													
area	C <sub>3</sub>	+I <sub>4</sub>	-F <sub>4</sub>	C <sub>4</sub>	+I <sub>5</sub>	-F <sub>5</sub>	C <sub>5</sub>	+I <sub>6</sub>	-F <sub>6</sub>	C <sub>6</sub>	+I <sub>7</sub>	-F <sub>7</sub>	C <sub>7</sub>
	+ BALANCE SHEET	+ INCOME STATEMENT	- CASH FLOW STATEMENT	+ BALANCE SHEET	+ INCOME STATEMENT	- CASH FLOW STATEMENT	+ BALANCE SHEET	+ INCOME STATEMENT	- CASH FLOW STATEMENT	+ BALANCE SHEET	+ INCOME STATEMENT	- CASH FLOW STATEMENT	+ BALANCE SHEET
Investment area	+ Investments 2333	+ Income from investments 140	- Cash flow from investment 720	+ Investments 3193	+ Income from investments 129	- Cash flow from investment -711	+ Investments 2611	+ Income from investments 148	- Cash flow from investment -210	+ Investments 2549	+ Income from investments 145	- Cash flow from investment -153	+ Investments 2541
Financing area	+ Financings 2333	+ Income to capital providers 140	- Cash flow to capital providers 720	+ Financings 3193	+ Income to capital providers 129	- Cash flow to capital providers -711	+ Financings 2611	+ Income to capital providers 148	- Cash flow to capital providers -210	+ Financings 2549	+ Income to capital providers 145	- Cash flow to capital providers -153	+ Financings 2541

Figure A22. Extract from “Project\_SSMstrip\_Acclabels” sheet (Project 1—years from 2027 to 2030).

Project	C	I	F	C	I	F	C	I	F	C	I	F	C
1	7	8	8	8	9	9	9	10	10	10	11	11	11
	2030	2031	2031	2031	2032	2032	2032	2033	2033	2033	2034	2034	2034
<b>Project: Full-scale Matrix</b>													
area	C <sub>7</sub>	+I <sub>8</sub>	-F <sub>8</sub>	C <sub>8</sub>	+I <sub>9</sub>	-F <sub>9</sub>	C <sub>9</sub>	+I <sub>10</sub>	-F <sub>10</sub>	C <sub>10</sub>	+I <sub>11</sub>	-F <sub>11</sub>	C <sub>11</sub>
	+ BALANCE SHEET	+ INCOME STATEMENT	- CASH FLOW STATEMENT	+ BALANCE SHEET	+ INCOME STATEMENT	- CASH FLOW STATEMENT	+ BALANCE SHEET	+ INCOME STATEMENT	- CASH FLOW STATEMENT	+ BALANCE SHEET	+ INCOME STATEMENT	- CASH FLOW STATEMENT	+ BALANCE SHEET
Customers (sales and services)	+ Acc. Receivable (S&S) 0	+ S&S revenues 0	- Cash receipts from customers 0	+ Acc. Receivable (S&S) 0	+ S&S revenues 0	- Cash receipts from customers 0	+ Acc. Receivable (S&S) 0	+ S&S revenues 0	- Cash receipts from customers 0	+ Acc. Receivable (S&S) 0	+ S&S revenues 0	- Cash receipts from customers 0	+ Acc. Receivable (S&S) 0
Customers (asset purchasers)	+ Acc. Receivable (asset disp.) 0	+ Net gain 346	- Cash flow from Net Gain -346	+ Acc. Receivable (asset disp.) 0	+ Net gain 149	- Cash flow from Net Gain -149	+ Acc. Receivable (asset disp.) 86	+ Net gain 86	- Cash flow from Net Gain -86	+ Acc. Receivable (asset disp.) 93	+ Net gain 93	- Cash flow from Net Gain -93	+ Acc. Receivable (asset disp.) 0
Suppliers (administrative)	- Acc. Payable (adm) 5	- O&M (adm) 138	+ Payments to suppliers (adm) -137	- Acc. Payable (adm) 6	- O&M (adm) 167	+ Payments to suppliers (adm) -166	- Acc. Payable (adm) 7	- O&M (adm) 167	+ Payments to suppliers (adm) -167	- Acc. Payable (adm) 7	- O&M (adm) 210	+ Payments to suppliers (adm) -208	- Acc. Payable (adm) 9
Suppliers (maintenance)	- Acc. Payable (mnt) -12	- O&M (mnt) -43	+ Payments to suppliers (mnt) 41	- Acc. Payable (mnt) -14	- O&M (mnt) -66	+ Payments to suppliers (mnt) 59	- Acc. Payable (mnt) -22	- O&M (mnt) -90	+ Payments to suppliers (mnt) 82	- Acc. Payable (mnt) -30	- O&M (mnt) -151	+ Payments to suppliers (mnt) 131	- Acc. Payable (mnt) -50
Suppliers (fuels)	- Acc. Payable (fuels) 47	- O&M (fuels) 620	+ Payments to suppliers (fuels) -616	- Acc. Payable (fuels) 51	- O&M (fuels) 635	+ Payments to suppliers (fuels) -634	- Acc. Payable (fuels) 52	- O&M (fuels) 652	+ Payments to suppliers (fuels) 82	- Acc. Payable (fuels) -30	- O&M (fuels) -151	+ Payments to suppliers (fuels) 131	- Acc. Payable (fuels) -50
Fixed assets	+ Net Fixed Assets 2301	- Depreciation -531	- Cash flow from Net Asset disp. 2334	+ Net Fixed Assets 4105	- Depreciation -655	- Cash flow from Net Asset disp. 1154	+ Net Fixed Assets 4604	- Depreciation -721	- Cash flow from Net Asset disp. 1878	+ Net Fixed Assets 5761	- Depreciation -880	- Cash flow from Net Asset disp. 944	+ Net Fixed Assets 5824
Treasury (res Tax)	- Taxes Payable (res) 3	- Taxes (res) -114	+ Payments for income taxes (res) 24	- Taxes Payable (res) -90	- Taxes (res) -34	+ Payments for income taxes (res) 204	- Taxes Payable (res) 80	- Taxes (res) 4	+ Payments for income taxes (res) -46	- Taxes Payable (res) 38	- Taxes (res) 44	+ Payments for income taxes (res) -42	- Taxes Payable (res) 48
Treasury (trap Tax)	- Taxes Payable (trap) 3	- Taxes (trap) -22	+ Payments for income taxes (trap) 7	- Taxes Payable (trap) -15	- Taxes (trap) -10	+ Payments for income taxes (trap) 37	- Taxes Payable (trap) 13	- Taxes (trap) -4	+ Payments for income taxes (trap) -3	- Taxes Payable (trap) 6	- Taxes (trap) 2	+ Payments for income taxes (trap) -2	- Taxes Payable (trap) 6
Non operating area	+ Liquid Assets 197	+ Financial income 7	- Cash flow from liquid assets 400	+ Liquid Assets 603	+ Financial income 22	- Cash flow from liquid assets -302	+ Liquid Assets 323	+ Financial income 12	- Cash flow from liquid assets -27	+ Liquid Assets 307	+ Financial income 11	- Cash flow from liquid assets -124	+ Liquid Assets 194
Debt holders	+ Debt 2301	+ Interest expenses 61	- Cash flow to debt 1742	+ Debt 4105	+ Interest expenses 109	- Cash flow to debt 390	+ Debt 4604	+ Interest expenses 123	- Cash flow to debt 1034	+ Debt 5761	+ Interest expenses 153	- Cash flow to debt -90	+ Debt 5824
Equity holders	+ Equity 240	+ Net Income 339	- Cash flow to equity -38	+ Equity 541	+ Net Income 99	- Cash flow to equity -187	+ Equity 453	+ Net Income -16	- Cash flow to equity -54	+ Equity 382	+ Net Income -136	- Cash flow to equity 9	+ Equity 255
<b>Expanded Matrix</b>													
area	C <sub>7</sub>	+I <sub>8</sub>	-F <sub>8</sub>	C <sub>8</sub>	+I <sub>9</sub>	-F <sub>9</sub>	C <sub>9</sub>	+I <sub>10</sub>	-F <sub>10</sub>	C <sub>10</sub>	+I <sub>11</sub>	-F <sub>11</sub>	C <sub>11</sub>
	+ BALANCE SHEET	+ INCOME STATEMENT	- CASH FLOW STATEMENT	+ BALANCE SHEET	+ INCOME STATEMENT	- CASH FLOW STATEMENT	+ BALANCE SHEET	+ INCOME STATEMENT	- CASH FLOW STATEMENT	+ BALANCE SHEET	+ INCOME STATEMENT	- CASH FLOW STATEMENT	+ BALANCE SHEET
Customers	+ Accounts Receivable 0	+ Sales and net gain 346	- Cash from customers & Net Gain -346	+ Accounts Receivable 0	+ Sales and net gain 149	- Cash from customers & Net Gain -149	+ Accounts Receivable 86	+ Sales and net gain 86	- Cash from customers & Net Gain -86	+ Accounts Receivable 93	+ Sales and net gain 93	- Cash from customers & Net Gain -93	+ Accounts Receivable 0
Suppliers	+ Accounts Payable 40	- O&M 714	+ Payments to suppliers -712	+ Accounts Payable 42	- O&M 736	+ Payments to suppliers -741	+ Accounts Payable 37	- O&M 729	+ Payments to suppliers -736	+ Accounts Payable 31	- O&M 748	+ Payments to suppliers -763	+ Accounts Payable 16
Fixed assets	+ Net Fixed Assets 2301	- Depreciation -531	- Cash flow from Net Asset disp. 2334	+ Net Fixed Assets 4105	- Depreciation -655	- Cash flow from Net Asset disp. 1154	+ Net Fixed Assets 4604	- Depreciation -721	- Cash flow from Net Asset disp. 1878	+ Net Fixed Assets 5761	- Depreciation -880	- Cash flow from Net Asset disp. 944	+ Net Fixed Assets 5824
Treasury	- Taxes Payable 3	- Taxes -136	+ Payments for income taxes 28	- Taxes Payable -105	- Taxes -44	+ Payments for income taxes 241	- Taxes Payable 93	- Taxes -0	+ Payments for income taxes -49	- Taxes Payable 44	- Taxes 45	+ Payments for income taxes -44	- Taxes Payable 45
Non operating area	+ Liquid Assets 197	+ Financial income 7	- Cash flow from liquid assets 400	+ Liquid Assets 603	+ Financial income 22	- Cash flow from liquid assets -302	+ Liquid Assets 323	+ Financial income 12	- Cash flow from liquid assets -27	+ Liquid Assets 307	+ Financial income 11	- Cash flow from liquid assets -124	+ Liquid Assets 194
Debt holders	+ Debt 2301	+ Interest expenses 61	- Cash flow to debt 1742	+ Debt 4105	+ Interest expenses 109	- Cash flow to debt 390	+ Debt 4604	+ Interest expenses 123	- Cash flow to debt 1034	+ Debt 5761	+ Interest expenses 153	- Cash flow to debt -90	+ Debt 5824
Equity holders	+ Equity 240	+ Net Income 339	- Cash flow to equity -38	+ Equity 541	+ Net Income 99	- Cash flow to equity -187	+ Equity 453	+ Net Income -16	- Cash flow to equity -54	+ Equity 382	+ Net Income -136	- Cash flow to equity 9	+ Equity 255
<b>Four-area Matrix</b>													
area	C <sub>7</sub>	+I <sub>8</sub>	-F <sub>8</sub>	C <sub>8</sub>	+I <sub>9</sub>	-F <sub>9</sub>	C <sub>9</sub>	+I <sub>10</sub>	-F <sub>10</sub>	C <sub>10</sub>	+I <sub>11</sub>	-F <sub>11</sub>	C <sub>11</sub>
	+ BALANCE SHEET	+ INCOME STATEMENT	- CASH FLOW STATEMENT	+ BALANCE SHEET	+ INCOME STATEMENT	- CASH FLOW STATEMENT	+ BALANCE SHEET	+ INCOME STATEMENT	- CASH FLOW STATEMENT	+ BALANCE SHEET	+ INCOME STATEMENT	- CASH FLOW STATEMENT	+ BALANCE SHEET
Operating area	+ Operating Assets 2344	+ Operating income 393	- Cash flow from operations 1304	+ Operating Assets 4042	+ Operating income 186	- Cash flow from operations 505	+ Operating Assets 4734	+ Operating income 95	- Cash flow from operations 1007	+ Operating Assets 5835	+ Operating income 6	- Cash flow from operations 44	+ Operating Assets 5885
Non operating area	+ Liquid Assets 197	+ Financial income 7	- Cash flow from liquid assets 400	+ Liquid Assets 603	+ Financial income 22	- Cash flow from liquid assets -302	+ Liquid Assets 323	+ Financial income 12	- Cash flow from liquid assets -27	+ Liquid Assets 307	+ Financial income 11	- Cash flow from liquid assets -124	+ Liquid Assets 194
Debt area	+ Debt 2301	+ Interest expenses 61	- Cash flow to debt 1742	+ Debt 4105	+ Interest expenses 109	- Cash flow to debt 390	+ Debt 4604	+ Interest expenses 123	- Cash flow to debt 1034	+ Debt 5761	+ Interest expenses 153	- Cash flow to debt -90	+ Debt 5824
Equity area	+ Equity 240	+ Net Income 339	- Cash flow to equity -38	+ Equity 541	+ Net Income 99	- Cash flow to equity -187	+ Equity 453	+ Net Income -16	- Cash flow to equity -54	+ Equity 382	+ Net Income -136	- Cash flow to equity 9	+ Equity 255
<b>Germ Matrix</b>													
area	C <sub>7</sub>	+I <sub>8</sub>	-F <sub>8</sub>	C <sub>8</sub>	+I <sub>9</sub>	-F <sub>9</sub>	C <sub>9</sub>	+I <sub>10</sub>	-F <sub>10</sub>	C <sub>10</sub>	+I <sub>11</sub>	-F <sub>11</sub>	C <sub>11</sub>
	+ BALANCE SHEET	+ INCOME STATEMENT	- CASH FLOW STATEMENT	+ BALANCE SHEET	+ INCOME STATEMENT	- CASH FLOW STATEMENT	+ BALANCE SHEET	+ INCOME STATEMENT	- CASH FLOW STATEMENT	+ BALANCE SHEET	+ INCOME STATEMENT	- CASH FLOW STATEMENT	+ BALANCE SHEET
Investment area	+ Investments 2541	+ Income from investments 401	- Cash flow from investment 1704	+ Investments 4645	+ Income from investments 208	- Cash flow from investment 203	+ Investments 5057	+ Income from investments 106	- Cash flow from investment 980	+ Investments 6143	+ Income from investments 17	- Cash flow from investment -81	+ Investments 6079
Financing area	+ Financings 2541	+ Income to capital providers 401	- Cash flow to capital providers 1704	+ Financings 4645	+ Income to capital providers 208	- Cash flow to capital providers 203	+ Financings 5057	+ Income to capital providers 106	- Cash flow to capital providers 980	+ Financings 6143	+ Income to capital providers 17	- Cash flow to capital providers -81	+ Financings 6079

Figure A23. Extract from “Project\_SSMstrip\_Acclabels” sheet (Project 1—years from 2031 to 2034).

Project	C	I	F	C	I	F	C	I	F	C	I	F	C
1	11 2034	12 2035	12 2035	12 2035	13 2036	13 2036	13 2036	14 2037	14 2037	14 2037	15 2038	15 2038	15 2038
<b>Project: Full-scale Matrix</b>													
area	C <sub>11</sub>	+I <sub>12</sub>	-F <sub>13</sub>	C <sub>12</sub>	+I <sub>13</sub>	-F <sub>14</sub>	C <sub>13</sub>	+I <sub>14</sub>	-F <sub>15</sub>	C <sub>14</sub>	+I <sub>15</sub>	-F <sub>16</sub>	C <sub>15</sub>
	+ BALANCE SHEET	+ INCOME STATEMENT	- CASH FLOW STATEMENT	+ BALANCE SHEET	+ INCOME STATEMENT	- CASH FLOW STATEMENT	+ BALANCE SHEET	+ INCOME STATEMENT	- CASH FLOW STATEMENT	+ BALANCE SHEET	+ INCOME STATEMENT	- CASH FLOW STATEMENT	+ BALANCE SHEET
Customers (sales and services)	+ Acc. Receivable (S&S) 0	+ S&S revenues 0	- Cash receipts from customers 0	+ Acc. Receivable (S&S) 0	+ S&S revenues 0	- Cash receipts from customers 0	+ Acc. Receivable (S&S) 0	+ S&S revenues 0	- Cash receipts from customers 0	+ Acc. Receivable (S&S) 0	+ S&S revenues 0	- Cash receipts from customers 0	+ Acc. Receivable (S&S) 0
Customers (asset purchasers)	+ Acc. Receivable (asset disp.) 0	+ Net gain 143	- Cash flow from Net Gain -143	+ Acc. Receivable (asset disp.) 0	+ Net gain 94	- Cash flow from Net Gain -94	+ Acc. Receivable (asset disp.) 0	+ Net gain 128	- Cash flow from Net Gain -128	+ Acc. Receivable (asset disp.) 0	+ Net gain -56	- Cash flow from Net Gain 56	+ Acc. Receivable (asset disp.) 0
Suppliers (administrative)	- Acc. Payable (adm) 9	- O&M (adm) 213	+ Payments to suppliers (adm) -213	- Acc. Payable (adm) 9	- O&M (adm) 228	+ Payments to suppliers (adm) -227	- Acc. Payable (adm) 9	- O&M (adm) 220	+ Payments to suppliers (adm) -220	- Acc. Payable (adm) 9	- O&M (adm) 225	+ Payments to suppliers (adm) -225	- Acc. Payable (adm) 9
Suppliers (maintenance)	- Acc. Payable (mnt) -50	- O&M (mnt) -167	+ Payments to suppliers (mnt) 162	- Acc. Payable (mnt) -55	- O&M (mnt) -203	+ Payments to suppliers (mnt) 191	- Acc. Payable (mnt) -67	- O&M (mnt) -240	+ Payments to suppliers (mnt) 228	- Acc. Payable (mnt) -79	- O&M (mnt) -253	+ Payments to suppliers (mnt) 249	- Acc. Payable (mnt) -83
Suppliers (fuels)	- Acc. Payable (fuels) 57	- O&M (fuels) 695	+ Payments to suppliers (fuels) -694	- Acc. Payable (fuels) 57	- O&M (fuels) 722	+ Payments to suppliers (fuels) -720	- Acc. Payable (fuels) 59	- O&M (fuels) 740	+ Payments to suppliers (fuels) -739	- Acc. Payable (fuels) 61	- O&M (fuels) 746	+ Payments to suppliers (fuels) -745	- Acc. Payable (fuels) 61
Fixed assets	+ Net Fixed Assets 5824	- Depreciation -946	- Cash flow from Net Asset disp. 1116	+ Net Fixed Assets 5994	- Depreciation -996	- Cash flow from Net Asset disp. 972	+ Net Fixed Assets 5970	- Depreciation -1055	- Cash flow from Net Asset disp. 776	+ Net Fixed Assets 5691	- Depreciation -1075	- Cash flow from Net Asset disp. -143	+ Net Fixed Assets 4473
Treasury (res Tax)	- Taxes Payable (res) 40	- Taxes (res) 50	+ Payments for income taxes (res) -83	- Taxes Payable (res) 7	- Taxes (res) 74	+ Payments for income taxes (res) -57	- Taxes Payable (res) 24	- Taxes (res) 88	+ Payments for income taxes (res) -98	- Taxes Payable (res) 14	- Taxes (res) 136	+ Payments for income taxes (res) -162	- Taxes Payable (res) 49
Treasury (trap Tax)	- Taxes Payable (trap) 6	- Taxes (trap) 3	+ Payments for income taxes (trap) -7	- Taxes Payable (trap) 1	- Taxes (trap) 6	+ Payments for income taxes (trap) -4	- Taxes Payable (trap) 4	- Taxes (trap) 9	+ Payments for income taxes (trap) -10	- Taxes Payable (trap) 2	- Taxes (trap) 17	+ Payments for income taxes (trap) -11	- Taxes Payable (trap) 9
Non operating area	+ Liquid Assets 194	+ Financial income 7	- Cash flow from liquid assets -47	+ Liquid Assets 154	+ Financial income 6	- Cash flow from liquid assets -158	+ Liquid Assets 2	+ Financial income 0	- Cash flow from liquid assets -122	+ Liquid Assets 2	+ Financial income -4	- Cash flow from liquid assets -299	+ Liquid Assets -424
Debt holders	+ Debt 5824	+ Interest expenses 155	- Cash flow to debt 15	+ Debt 5994	+ Interest expenses 160	- Cash flow to debt -184	+ Debt 5970	+ Interest expenses 159	- Cash flow to debt -438	+ Debt 5691	+ Interest expenses 152	- Cash flow to debt -1389	+ Debt 4473
Equity holders	+ Equity 255	+ Net Income -157	- Cash flow to equity 75	+ Equity 173	+ Net Income -228	- Cash flow to equity 86	+ Equity 32	+ Net Income -270	- Cash flow to equity 125	+ Equity -113	+ Net Income -415	- Cash flow to equity 148	+ Equity -379
<b>Expanded Matrix</b>													
area	C <sub>11</sub>	+I <sub>12</sub>	-F <sub>13</sub>	C <sub>12</sub>	+I <sub>13</sub>	-F <sub>14</sub>	C <sub>13</sub>	+I <sub>14</sub>	-F <sub>15</sub>	C <sub>14</sub>	+I <sub>15</sub>	-F <sub>16</sub>	C <sub>15</sub>
	+ BALANCE SHEET	+ INCOME STATEMENT	- CASH FLOW STATEMENT	+ BALANCE SHEET	+ INCOME STATEMENT	- CASH FLOW STATEMENT	+ BALANCE SHEET	+ INCOME STATEMENT	- CASH FLOW STATEMENT	+ BALANCE SHEET	+ INCOME STATEMENT	- CASH FLOW STATEMENT	+ BALANCE SHEET
Customers	+ Accounts Receivable 0	+ Sales and net gain 143	- Cash from customers & Net Gain -143	+ Accounts Receivable 0	+ Sales and net gain 94	- Cash from customers & Net Gain -94	+ Accounts Receivable 0	+ Sales and net gain 128	- Cash from customers & Net Gain -128	+ Accounts Receivable 0	+ Sales and net gain -56	- Cash from customers & Net Gain 56	+ Accounts Receivable 0
Suppliers	- Accounts Payable 16	- O&M 741	+ Payments to suppliers -746	- Accounts Payable 11	- O&M 747	+ Payments to suppliers -756	- Accounts Payable 2	- O&M 720	+ Payments to suppliers -731	- Accounts Payable -9	- O&M 718	+ Payments to suppliers -722	- Accounts Payable -13
Fixed assets	+ Net Fixed Assets 5824	- Depreciation -946	- Cash flow from Net Asset disp. 1116	+ Net Fixed Assets 5994	- Depreciation -996	- Cash flow from Net Asset disp. 972	+ Net Fixed Assets 5970	- Depreciation -1055	- Cash flow from Net Asset disp. 776	+ Net Fixed Assets 5691	- Depreciation -1075	- Cash flow from Net Asset disp. -143	+ Net Fixed Assets 4473
Treasury	- Taxes Payable 45	- Taxes 53	+ Payments for income taxes -90	- Taxes Payable 8	- Taxes 80	+ Payments for income taxes -61	- Taxes Payable 27	- Taxes 97	+ Payments for income taxes -108	- Taxes Payable 16	- Taxes 154	+ Payments for income taxes -113	- Taxes Payable 57
Non operating area	+ Liquid Assets 194	+ Financial income 7	- Cash flow from liquid assets -47	+ Liquid Assets 154	+ Financial income 6	- Cash flow from liquid assets -158	+ Liquid Assets 2	+ Financial income 0	- Cash flow from liquid assets -122	+ Liquid Assets 2	+ Financial income -4	- Cash flow from liquid assets -299	+ Liquid Assets -424
Debt holders	+ Debt 5824	+ Interest expenses 155	- Cash flow to debt 15	+ Debt 5994	+ Interest expenses 160	- Cash flow to debt -184	+ Debt 5970	+ Interest expenses 159	- Cash flow to debt -438	+ Debt 5691	+ Interest expenses 152	- Cash flow to debt -1389	+ Debt 4473
Equity holders	+ Equity 255	+ Net Income -157	- Cash flow to equity 75	+ Equity 173	+ Net Income -228	- Cash flow to equity 86	+ Equity 32	+ Net Income -270	- Cash flow to equity 125	+ Equity -113	+ Net Income -415	- Cash flow to equity 148	+ Equity -379
<b>Four-area Matrix</b>													
area	C <sub>11</sub>	+I <sub>12</sub>	-F <sub>13</sub>	C <sub>12</sub>	+I <sub>13</sub>	-F <sub>14</sub>	C <sub>13</sub>	+I <sub>14</sub>	-F <sub>15</sub>	C <sub>14</sub>	+I <sub>15</sub>	-F <sub>16</sub>	C <sub>15</sub>
	+ BALANCE SHEET	+ INCOME STATEMENT	- CASH FLOW STATEMENT	+ BALANCE SHEET	+ INCOME STATEMENT	- CASH FLOW STATEMENT	+ BALANCE SHEET	+ INCOME STATEMENT	- CASH FLOW STATEMENT	+ BALANCE SHEET	+ INCOME STATEMENT	- CASH FLOW STATEMENT	+ BALANCE SHEET
Operating area	+ Operating Assets 5885	+ Operating income -9	- Cash flow from operations 137	+ Operating Assets 6013	+ Operating income -74	- Cash flow from operations 60	+ Operating Assets 6000	+ Operating income -111	- Cash flow from operations -191	+ Operating Assets 5698	+ Operating income -259	- Cash flow from operations -921	+ Operating Assets 4518
Non operating area	+ Liquid Assets 194	+ Financial income 7	- Cash flow from liquid assets -47	+ Liquid Assets 154	+ Financial income 6	- Cash flow from liquid assets -158	+ Liquid Assets 2	+ Financial income 0	- Cash flow from liquid assets -122	+ Liquid Assets -120	+ Financial income -4	- Cash flow from liquid assets -299	+ Liquid Assets -424
Debt area	+ Debt 5824	+ Interest expenses 155	- Cash flow to debt 15	+ Debt 5994	+ Interest expenses 160	- Cash flow to debt -184	+ Debt 5970	+ Interest expenses 159	- Cash flow to debt -438	+ Debt 5691	+ Interest expenses 152	- Cash flow to debt -1389	+ Debt 4473
Equity area	+ Equity 255	+ Net Income -157	- Cash flow to equity 75	+ Equity 173	+ Net Income -228	- Cash flow to equity 86	+ Equity 32	+ Net Income -270	- Cash flow to equity 125	+ Equity -113	+ Net Income -415	- Cash flow to equity 148	+ Equity -379
<b>Germ Matrix</b>													
area	C <sub>11</sub>	+I <sub>12</sub>	-F <sub>13</sub>	C <sub>12</sub>	+I <sub>13</sub>	-F <sub>14</sub>	C <sub>13</sub>	+I <sub>14</sub>	-F <sub>15</sub>	C <sub>14</sub>	+I <sub>15</sub>	-F <sub>16</sub>	C <sub>15</sub>
	+ BALANCE SHEET	+ INCOME STATEMENT	- CASH FLOW STATEMENT	+ BALANCE SHEET	+ INCOME STATEMENT	- CASH FLOW STATEMENT	+ BALANCE SHEET	+ INCOME STATEMENT	- CASH FLOW STATEMENT	+ BALANCE SHEET	+ INCOME STATEMENT	- CASH FLOW STATEMENT	+ BALANCE SHEET
Investment area	+ Investments 6079	+ Income from investments -2	- Cash flow from investment 90	+ Investments 6167	+ Income from investments -68	- Cash flow from investment -97	+ Investments 6002	+ Income from investments -111	- Cash flow from investment -313	+ Investments 5578	+ Income from investments -263	- Cash flow from investment -1221	+ Investments 4094
Financing area	+ Financings 6079	+ Income to capital providers -2	- Cash flow to capital providers 90	+ Financings 6167	+ Income to capital providers -68	- Cash flow to capital providers -97	+ Financings 6002	+ Income to capital providers -111	- Cash flow to capital providers -313	+ Financings 5578	+ Income to capital providers -263	- Cash flow to capital providers -1221	+ Financings 4094

Figure A24. Extract from “Project\_SSMstrip\_Acclabels” sheet (Project 1—years from 2035 to 2038).

Project	C	I	F	C	I	F	C
1	15 2039	16 2039	16 2039	16 2039	17 2040	17 2040	17 2040

Project: Full-scale Matrix							
area	C16	+I16	-F16	C16	+I17	-F17	C17
	+ BALANCE SHEET	+ INCOME STATEMENT	- CASH FLOW STATEMENT	+ BALANCE SHEET	+ INCOME STATEMENT	- CASH FLOW STATEMENT	+ BALANCE SHEET
Customers (sales and services)	+ Acc. Receivable (S&S) 0	+ S&S revenues 0	-Cash receipts from customers 0	+ Acc. Receivable (S&S) 0	+ S&S revenues 0	-Cash receipts from customers 0	+ Acc. Receivable (S&S) 0
Customers (asset purchasers)	+ Acc. Receivable (asset disp) 0	+ Net gain 615	-Cash flow from Net Gain -615	+ Acc. Receivable (asset disp) 0	+ Net gain 7	-Cash flow from Net Gain -7	+ Acc. Receivable (asset disp) 0
Suppliers (administrative)	-Acc. Payable (adm) 9	-O&M (adm) 194	+ Payments to suppliers (adm) -196	-Acc. Payable (adm) 8	-O&M (adm) 220	+ Payments to suppliers (adm) -228	-Acc. Payable (adm) 0
Suppliers (maintenance)	-Acc. Payable (mnt) -83	-O&M (mnt) -279	+ Payments to suppliers (mnt) 271	-Acc. Payable (mnt) -92	-O&M (mnt) -285	+ Payments to suppliers (mnt) 377	-Acc. Payable (mnt) 0
Suppliers (fuels)	-Acc. Payable (fuels) 61	-O&M (fuels) 753	+ Payments to suppliers (fuels) -752	-Acc. Payable (fuels) 62	-O&M (fuels) 753	+ Payments to suppliers (fuels) -815	-Acc. Payable (fuels) 0
Fixed assets	+ Net Fixed Assets 4473	-Depreciation -1080	-Cash flow from Net Asset disp. 2700	+ Net Fixed Assets 6093	-Depreciation -1129	-Cash flow from Net Asset disp. -4964	+ Net Fixed Assets -0
Treasury (Ires Tax)	- Taxes Payable (Ires) 49	-Taxes (Ires) -16	+ Payments for income taxes (Ires) -185	- Taxes Payable (Ires) -153	-Taxes (Ires) 142	+ Payments for income taxes (Ires) 10	- Taxes Payable (Ires) 0
Treasury (Irap Tax)	- Taxes Payable (Irap) 9	-Taxes (Irap) -9	+ Payments for income taxes (Irap) -26	- Taxes Payable (Irap) -26	-Taxes (Irap) 18	+ Payments for income taxes (Irap) 8	- Taxes Payable (Irap) 0
Non operating area	+ Liquid Assets -424	+ Financial income -15	-Cash flow from liquid assets 532	+ Liquid Assets 93	+ Financial income 3	-Cash flow from liquid assets -96	+ Liquid Assets 0
Debt	+ Debt 4473	+ Interest expenses 119	-Cash flow to debt 1501	+ Debt 6093	+ Interest expenses 162	-Cash flow to debt -6255	+ Debt 0
Equity	+ Equity -379	+ Net Income 44	-Cash flow to equity 228	+ Equity -108	+ Net Income -433	-Cash flow to equity 540	+ Equity 0

Expanded Matrix							
area	C16	+I16	-F16	C16	+I17	-F17	C17
	+ BALANCE SHEET	+ INCOME STATEMENT	- CASH FLOW STATEMENT	+ BALANCE SHEET	+ INCOME STATEMENT	- CASH FLOW STATEMENT	+ BALANCE SHEET
Customers	+ Accounts Receivable 0	+ Sales and net gain 615	-Cash from customers & Net Gain -615	+ Accounts Receivable 0	+ Sales and net gain 7	-Cash from customers & Net Gain -7	+ Accounts Receivable 0
Suppliers	-Accounts Payable -13	-O&M 668	+ Payments to suppliers -677	-Accounts Payable -22	-O&M 687	+ Payments to suppliers -665	-Accounts Payable 0
Fixed assets	+ Net Fixed Assets 4473	-Depreciation -1080	-Cash flow from Net Asset disp. 2700	+ Net Fixed Assets 6093	-Depreciation -1129	-Cash flow from Net Asset disp. -4964	+ Net Fixed Assets -0
Treasury	- Taxes Payable 57	-Taxes -25	+ Payments for income taxes -211	- Taxes Payable -179	-Taxes 161	+ Payments for income taxes 18	- Taxes Payable 0
Non operating area	+ Liquid Assets -424	+ Financial income -15	-Cash flow from liquid assets 532	+ Liquid Assets 93	+ Financial income 3	-Cash flow from liquid assets -96	+ Liquid Assets 0
Debt	+ Debt 4473	+ Interest expenses 119	-Cash flow to debt 1501	+ Debt 6093	+ Interest expenses 162	-Cash flow to debt -6255	+ Debt 0
Equity	+ Equity -379	+ Net Income 44	-Cash flow to equity 228	+ Equity -108	+ Net Income -433	-Cash flow to equity 540	+ Equity 0

Four-area Matrix							
area	C16	+I16	-F16	C16	+I17	-F17	C17
	+ BALANCE SHEET	+ INCOME STATEMENT	- CASH FLOW STATEMENT	+ BALANCE SHEET	+ INCOME STATEMENT	- CASH FLOW STATEMENT	+ BALANCE SHEET
Operating area	+ Operating Assets 4518	+ Operating income 178	-Cash flow from operations 1197	+ Operating Assets 5893	+ Operating income -274	-Cash flow from operations -5619	+ Operating Assets -0
Non operating area	+ Liquid Assets -424	+ Financial income -15	-Cash flow from liquid assets 532	+ Liquid Assets 93	+ Financial income 3	-Cash flow from liquid assets -96	+ Liquid Assets 0
Debt area	+ Debt 4473	+ Interest expenses 119	-Cash flow to debt 1501	+ Debt 6093	+ Interest expenses 162	-Cash flow to debt -6255	+ Debt 0
Equity area	+ Equity -379	+ Net Income 44	-Cash flow to equity 228	+ Equity -108	+ Net Income -433	-Cash flow to equity 540	+ Equity 0

Germ Matrix							
area	C16	+I16	-F16	C16	+I17	-F17	C17
	+ BALANCE SHEET	+ INCOME STATEMENT	- CASH FLOW STATEMENT	+ BALANCE SHEET	+ INCOME STATEMENT	- CASH FLOW STATEMENT	+ BALANCE SHEET
Investment area	+ Investments 4094	+ Income from investments 163	-Cash flow from investment 1729	+ Investments 5986	+ Income from investments -270	-Cash flow from investment -5715	+ Investments 0
Financing area	+ Financings 4094	+ Income to capital providers 163	-Cash flow to capital providers 1729	+ Financings 5986	+ Income to capital providers -270	-Cash flow to capital providers -5715	+ Financings 0

Figure A25. Extract from “Project\_SSMstrip\_AccLabels” sheet (Project 1—years from 2039 to 2040).

Project		1																									
C	I	F	C	I	F	C	I	F	C	I	F	C	I	F	C	I	F	C	I	F	C	I	F	C	I	F	C
.1	0	0	0	1	1	1	2	2	2	3	3	3	4	4	4	5	5	5	6	6	6	7	7	7	8	8	8
2022	2023	2023	2023	2024	2024	2024	2025	2025	2025	2026	2026	2026	2027	2027	2027	2028	2028	2028	2029	2029	2029	2030	2030	2030	2031	2031	2031

Differential Four-area Matrix				V <sub>1</sub> -C <sub>1</sub>	+I <sub>0</sub> -I <sub>0</sub>	-(F <sub>0</sub> -F <sub>0</sub> )	V <sub>0</sub> -C <sub>0</sub>	+I <sub>1</sub> -I <sub>1</sub>	-(F <sub>1</sub> -F <sub>1</sub> )	V <sub>1</sub> -C <sub>1</sub>	+I <sub>2</sub> -I <sub>2</sub>	-(F <sub>2</sub> -F <sub>2</sub> )	V <sub>2</sub> -C <sub>2</sub>	+I <sub>3</sub> -I <sub>3</sub>	-(F <sub>3</sub> -F <sub>3</sub> )	V <sub>3</sub> -C <sub>3</sub>	+I <sub>4</sub> -I <sub>4</sub>	-(F <sub>4</sub> -F <sub>4</sub> )	V <sub>4</sub> -C <sub>4</sub>	+I <sub>5</sub> -I <sub>5</sub>	-(F <sub>5</sub> -F <sub>5</sub> )	V <sub>5</sub> -C <sub>5</sub>	+I <sub>6</sub> -I <sub>6</sub>	-(F <sub>6</sub> -F <sub>6</sub> )	V <sub>6</sub> -C <sub>6</sub>	+I <sub>7</sub> -I <sub>7</sub>	-(F <sub>7</sub> -F <sub>7</sub> )	V <sub>7</sub> -C <sub>7</sub>	+I <sub>8</sub> -I <sub>8</sub>	-(F <sub>8</sub> -F <sub>8</sub> )	V <sub>8</sub> -C <sub>8</sub>
Operating area	MVA <sup>o</sup>	ERI <sup>o</sup>	-(F <sup>10</sup> -F <sup>0</sup> )	0	0	-1864	-1864	-134	0	-1998	-119	0	-2117	-133	0	-2250	-149	0	-2399	-62	0	-2461	-152	0	-2813	-178	0	-2790	-455	0	-3245
Non operating area	MVA <sup>n</sup>	ERI <sup>n</sup>	-(F <sup>10</sup> -F <sup>0</sup> )	0	0	-8	-8	-0	0	-8	-0	0	-8	0	0	-8	0	0	-8	0	0	-8	0	0	-7	1	0	-7	1	0	-6
Debt area	MVA <sup>d</sup>	ERI <sup>d</sup>	-(F <sup>10</sup> -F <sup>0</sup> )	0	0	-1180	-1180	-18	0	-1198	-2	0	-1199	-5	0	-1204	2	0	-1202	24	0	-1178	5	0	-1173	-7	0	-1179	5	0	-1175
Equity area	MVA <sup>e</sup>	ERI <sup>e</sup>	-(F <sup>10</sup> -F <sup>0</sup> )	0	0	-692	-692	-116	0	-808	-118	0	-926	-128	0	-1054	-151	0	-1205	-86	-0	-1291	-157	0	-1447	-170	0	-1618	-459	-0	-2076

Figure A26. Differential Four-area Matrix, extract from “Benchmark&Differential\_SSMstrip” sheet (Project 1—years from 2023 to 2031).

Project		1																									
C	I	F	C	I	F	C	I	F	C	I	F	C	I	F	C	I	F	C	I	F	C	I	F	C	I	F	C
8	9	9	9	10	10	10	11	11	11	12	12	12	13	13	13	14	14	14	15	15	15	16	16	16	17	17	17
2031	2032	2032	2032	2033	2033	2033	2034	2034	2034	2035	2035	2035	2036	2036	2036	2037	2037	2037	2038	2038	2038	2039	2039	2039	2040	2040	2040

Differential Four-area Matrix				V <sub>8</sub> -C <sub>8</sub>	+I <sub>9</sub> -I <sub>9</sub>	-(F <sub>9</sub> -F <sub>9</sub> )	V <sub>9</sub> -C <sub>9</sub>	+I <sub>10</sub> -I <sub>10</sub>	-(F <sub>10</sub> -F <sub>10</sub> )	V <sub>10</sub> -C <sub>10</sub>	+I <sub>11</sub> -I <sub>11</sub>	-(F <sub>11</sub> -F <sub>11</sub> )	V <sub>11</sub> -C <sub>11</sub>	+I <sub>12</sub> -I <sub>12</sub>	-(F <sub>12</sub> -F <sub>12</sub> )	V <sub>12</sub> -C <sub>12</sub>	+I <sub>13</sub> -I <sub>13</sub>	-(F <sub>13</sub> -F <sub>13</sub> )	V <sub>13</sub> -C <sub>13</sub>	+I <sub>14</sub> -I <sub>14</sub>	-(F <sub>14</sub> -F <sub>14</sub> )	V <sub>14</sub> -C <sub>14</sub>	+I <sub>15</sub> -I <sub>15</sub>	-(F <sub>15</sub> -F <sub>15</sub> )	V <sub>15</sub> -C <sub>15</sub>	+I <sub>16</sub> -I <sub>16</sub>	-(F <sub>16</sub> -F <sub>16</sub> )	V <sub>16</sub> -C <sub>16</sub>	+I <sub>17</sub> -I <sub>17</sub>	-(F <sub>17</sub> -F <sub>17</sub> )	V <sub>17</sub> -C <sub>17</sub>
Operating area	MVA <sup>o</sup>	ERI <sup>o</sup>	-(F <sup>10</sup> -F <sup>0</sup> )	-3245	-107	0	-3352	50	0	-3302	269	0	-3033	321	0	-2712	438	0	-2275	524	0	-1750	699	0	-1051	210	0	-842	842	0	0
Non operating area	MVA <sup>n</sup>	ERI <sup>n</sup>	-(F <sup>10</sup> -F <sup>0</sup> )	-6	3	0	-3	2	0	-1	2	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	2	0	0	2	0	0	2	-2	0	-0	0	-0	
Debt area	MVA <sup>d</sup>	ERI <sup>d</sup>	-(F <sup>10</sup> -F <sup>0</sup> )	-1175	63	0	-1112	83	0	-1029	125	0	-904	134	0	-770	148	0	-622	156	0	-467	156	0	-311	126	0	-185	185	0	0
Equity area	MVA <sup>e</sup>	ERI <sup>e</sup>	-(F <sup>10</sup> -F <sup>0</sup> )	-2076	-167	0	-2244	-31	0	-2275	146	0	-2129	188	0	-1941	291	0	-1650	369	0	-1282	543	0	-739	82	0	-657	657	0	0

Figure A27. Differential Four-area Matrix, extract from “Benchmark&Differential\_SSMstrip” sheet (Project 1—years from 2032 to 2040).

## Notes

- 1 The paper is accompanied by an Appendix A containing additional tables and figures.
- 2 Iren Ambiente's sales and services revenues encompasses waste management services as street cleaning, waste collection, waste transport, waste disposal, as well as sale of sorted recyclable waste, rent or supply of collection bags, bins or containers.
- 3 All the estimates, except market input data, were provided by departments within Iren Ambiente and Iren Spa, specifically, the *Environmental Services Engineering* and the *Fleet and Equipment Management for Environmental Services* departments (Iren Ambiente), and the *Administration, Finance and Control* department (Iren Spa). The market input data were estimated by the authors, in collaboration with the aforementioned IREN departments, based on statistics available on [https://pages.stern.nyu.edu/~adamodar/New\\_Home\\_Page/home.htm](https://pages.stern.nyu.edu/~adamodar/New_Home_Page/home.htm) (accessed on 20 November 2023).
- 4 Figures with numbers preceded by "A" refer to the Appendix A.
- 5 Our approach includes all cost categories that affect, directly or indirectly, the accounting statements. This means that our approach is consistent (and subsumes) approaches such as Total Cost of Ownership and Life-Cycle Cost. The reader may also refer to the accompanying Excel file to see the application of the technical treatment.
- 6 We accessed Damodaran's site on 20 November 2023, so the data have been updated since then.
- 7 We calculate an average accounting rate of return that differs fundamentally from the traditional IRR, which is well-documented as being unsuitable for financial decision-making due to numerous pitfalls. (see Magni, 2013) for a compendium). In contrast to the IRR, our accounting rate is NPV-consistent, is not subject to issues of existence and multiplicity, its financial nature is independent of the cost of capital, and it can be disaggregated into consistent rates of return across areas (Magni, 2020, 2021).
- 8 General concavity refers to the fact that it holds true over broad intervals, yet it may not hold over small intervals.
- 9 While this study focuses on integrating NGV with financial metrics for vehicle replacement decisions, it does not explicitly compare NGV to other sustainability frameworks. Such comparisons represent a valuable avenue for future research.
- 10 Sources: <https://sisen.mase.gov.it/dgsaie/prezzi-annuali-carburanti?pid=2> (accessed on 8 July 2025), and <https://gme.mercatoelettrico.org/it-it/Home/Esiti/Elettricità/MGP/Esiti/PUN> (accessed on 8 July 2025).

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