

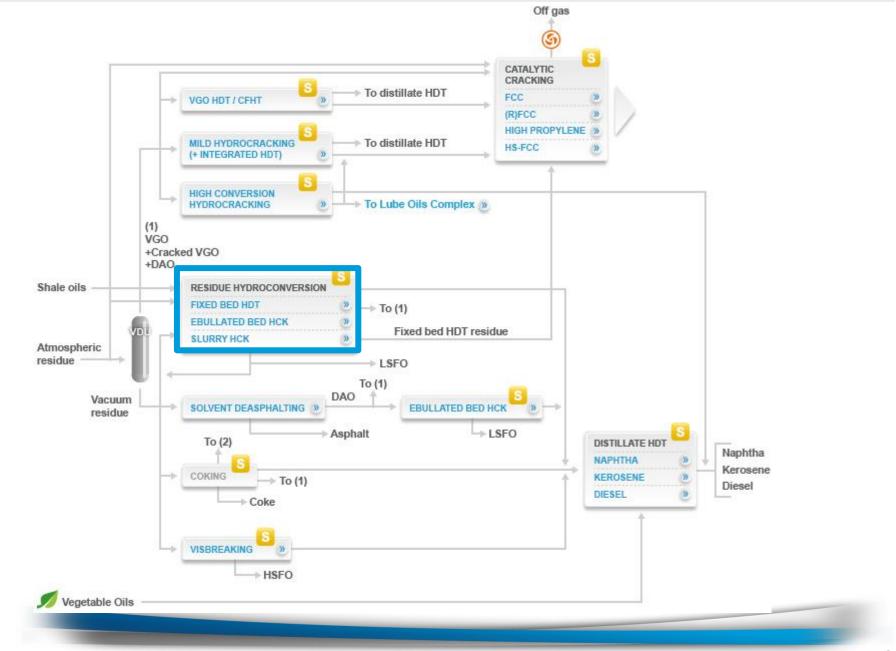
# Residue Upgrading Technology selection



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# **Bottom of the Barrel Axens Offer**





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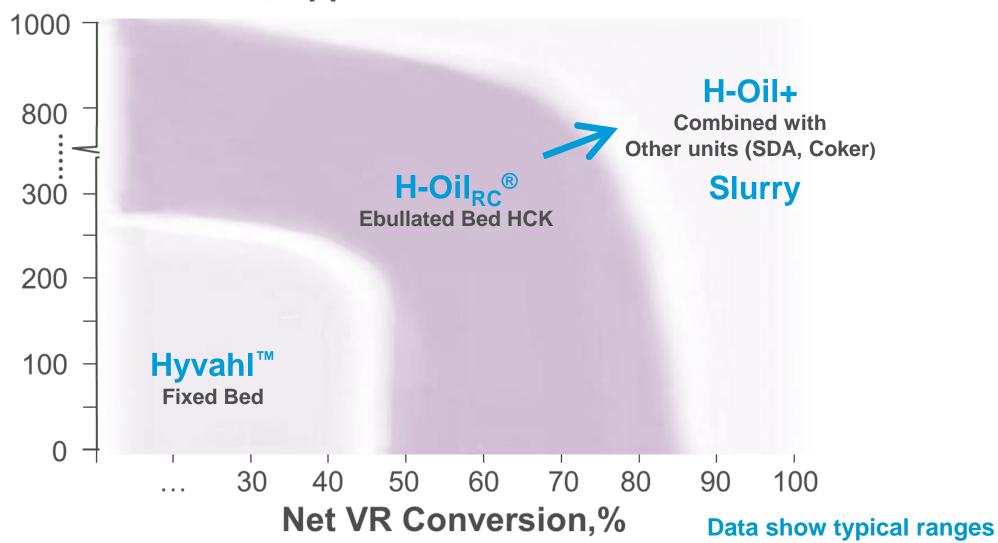
**SULFUR RECOVERY** 

RENEWABLES

**EXIT** 

# **Residue Conversion Mapping**

#### Ni + V in the Feed, wppm





#### **Iranian Crude**

- Frequent shutdowns = loss of production
- Hyvahl™ reliable operation is a must

products revenue

**RFCC** 



**Key factor to maximize profitability: Hyvahl™ on-stream factor** 

AR 360°C+	AL	AH	IL	IH
Sulfur, wt%	3.4	4.5	2.3	3.2
Nitrogen, ppmwt	1954	3074	2826	4809
Ni+V, ppmwt	39	148	92	269
CCR, wt%	9.5	14.0	8.4	12.9
C7 asphalt., wt%	3.4	7.1	1.4	4.5

#### Iranian crudes:

- High metal content
- Refractory feedstock

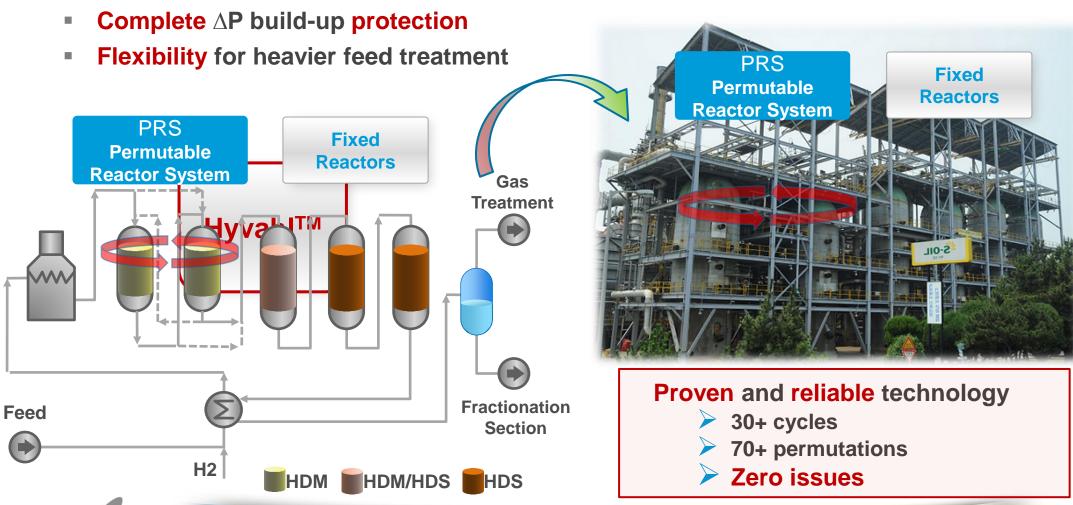


Reliable operation thanks to Axens' Patented PRS™ Technology



# **Hyvahl<sup>TM</sup> Process: General Scheme**

- Hyvahl<sup>TM</sup>: Fixed beds with HDM and HDS Sections in series
- Permutable Reactors System (PRS) for difficult feeds and longer cycles



# Hyvahl™ Commercial Units Experience with Iranian Feed



<ul> <li>Esfahan Refinery</li> </ul>
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- Iranian Light AR/VR
- 2 trains
- PRS™ design

#### **Schedule:**

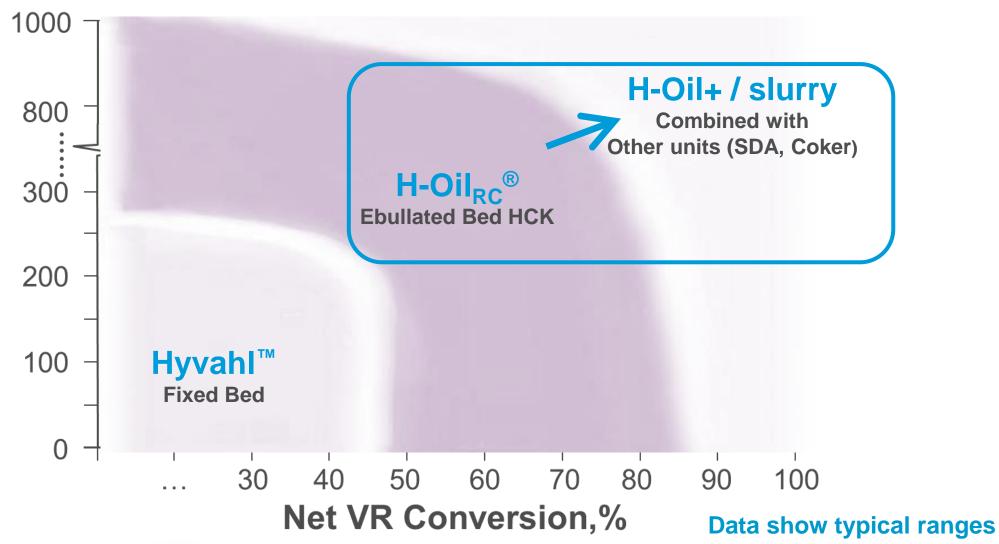
- Basic Design in 2006
- Under Detail Eng.

	Hyvahl™ Unit (81,000 BPSD)				
Cycle length	11 months				
Feedstock	Mixed Vacuum Residue + Slop Wax + HVGO + LVGO				
Properties	Feed	Upgraded Residue			
CCR	17.3 wt%	<6 wt%			
Nitrogen	3420 wppm	<2000 wppm			
Ni+V	132 wppm	<20 wppm			
Sulfur	2.96 wt%	<0.4 wt%			



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# Introduction of the comparison

- For vacuum residue upgrading, there are two types of process achieving high level of conversion:
  - Ebullating bed technology
  - ✓ Slurry type technology
- As licensor of both types of technologies (H-Oil with Ebullating Bed and HDHPLUS for slurry technology), Axens is in the unique position in the world to have the capability to perform and to compare both technologies from technical standpoint as well as on the whole picture of economics evaluation



# Take away messages

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- High conversion claimed
- Limitation in capacity per train
  - UCO with very high metals content

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