



IDS-30 "next generation"

ICE DETECTION SYSTEM for wind power industry

History - Sommer



SOMET was founded in 1987 and provides more than 30 years experience in development and production of high quality and **innovative measurement equipment** for hydrology and meteorology.

sower is active internationally with distributers in more than 60 countries worldwide.

30 years ago SOMMER kick-started the development of its first snow measurement and analysis systems.

By using itss world-leading technology and experience in snow analysis to develop a unique ice detection system.



SOMMER Headquarters



Information - Sommer



Somer headquarter is located in western Austria, the heart of Europe, in the border region of Austria, Germany and Switzerland.

The location in the European Alps provides the possibly to study the effects of ICE in our daily life.



SOWER is a **family owned company** with excellent reputation. Customer focus, reliability, excellent service and high-end products are our commitment to you.





SOMMER headquarters in western Austria

Introduction



Main problems with icing in the Wind power

industry:

- Shutdown of turbines
- Loss of power production
- Loss of aerodynamics
- **Vibrations**
- Increased maintenance
- Danger of ice-throw





Icing related shutdowns cause more loss of energy production than shutdowns in warm locations.



Introduction



Why is a reliable and accurate ice detection system important?

- Prevent or reduce shutdowns
- ✓ Switch on blade-heating only when necessary
- Avoid damage caused by vibrations
- ✓ Protect people
- ✓ Save money

The unique Technology of the IDS-20 can detect 92%* of all icing events.





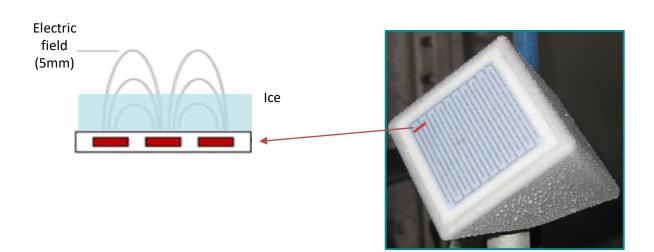
Ice detection system



There are different technologies on the market, most of them do not detect ICE directly. They only detect the effects that ICE has.

The Sommer IDS technology is unique and can detect ICE in before it can cause problems with the highest reliability on the market.

Due to the complex impedance measurement technology, the IDS sensor detects only ICE and will not be influenced by anything else.







Ice detection system -typs





Detect already 0,1mm of ICE

IDS-30 - CUBE:

- detect ICE very early
- Output the complete ICEING event (ICEING event = ICE is growing)
- Perfect for blade heating control

Application:

Sensor will detect ICE so early that blade heating can be switch on before the ICE can influence the operation.

Life time of the turbine and the blades will be increased.



Ice detection system - types





IDS-30 – ROD:

- Will measure the ICE thickness of the total ice
- Gives you the information how much ice is on the turbine.
- Output when the ICE is melting
- Perfect for turbine without heating

Application:

Sensor will output the **total amount of ICE** on the NOT heated turbine parts. The sensor will also output when the **ICE is melting**. The melting information is important to restart the turbine as fast as possible after a ICE shutdown.



Ice detection system - types





IDS-30 – ALL in ONE:

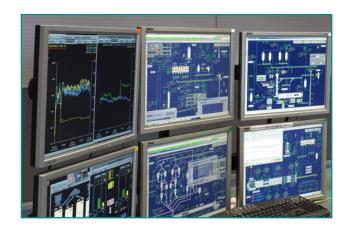
- Will detect ICE early and measures total ICE thickness as well as the ICE melting
- Gives you all ICE related information you need.
 ICE,ICING event, ICE thickness and ICE is melting
- Perfect for ICE studies or collect more information
- Perfect to get all site information

Ice detection system - interfaces



- ✓ Very easy system integration
 - SDI-12
 - RS-485 ASCII-Protocol
 - RS-485 MODBUS (RTU)
 - 3 Relay outputs (Configurable)
 - **Cube:** ice is growing, Self check
 - Rod: Ice exceed threshold, ice is melting,
 Self check
 - All in one: ice is growing, Ice exceed threshold, ice is melting, Self check
- ✓ Additional PLC integration (optional)
 - CANopen, PROFIBUS, PROFINET, EtherCAT
 - via converter
- ✓ SOMMER data logger connection (optional)
 - CSV-file transfer via mobile internet or satellite
 - Periodic image transfer from on-site camera
 - Remote access to sensor and data logger
 - Remote access via Android app
 - SOMMER MDS Cloud

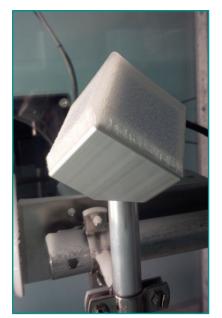






Ice detection system













Ice detection system – Advantages



Advantages of IDS-30:

- ✓ The IDS-30 will detect more than 92% of all icing events.
- Real-time measurement and discrimination of ice and water as well as transformation form water to ice
- Very easy interpretation of measurements with simple relay functions
- Easy integration into control systems and retrofit of older systems
- ✓ Short, optimized heating cycles
- ✓ Actual ice thickness
- Not affected by ambient interferences
- Detection of extremely thin ice layers for early warning

The IDS-30 is the only ice detection system that can reliably distinguish between water and ice.





Ice detection system – Advantages



Advantages of IDS-30 - rod:

- ✓ Information about the total ice load.
- ✓ Ice thickness from 1mm to 80mm
- ✓ Ice Melting
- ✓ Velocity of ICE melt, to predict how long it will take till the ice has melted.

With the ICE melting information inspections can be planed more precisely and to keep turbine shutdowns as short as possible.



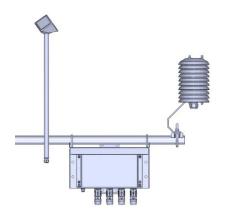


Example:

Icing events on wind turbine over a period of 2 month

- ✓ thin to medium ice layers
- ✓ IDS-20 Cube 5 sensor
- ✓ Measuring range: 0.1 ... 5 mm
- ✓ Heating cycles

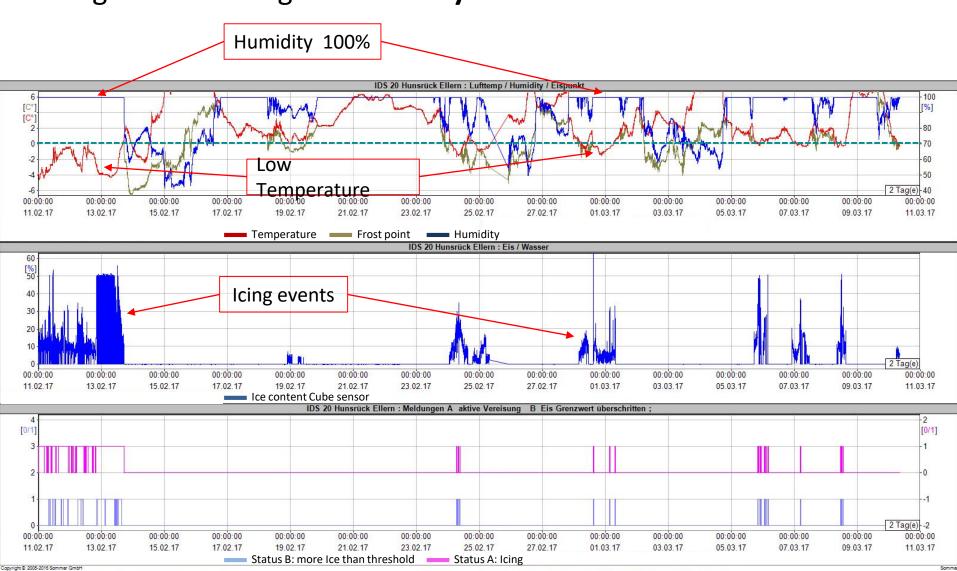




Application - Hunsrück Ellern (Germany)



Icing events during 11. February – 11. March 2017





Any Questions?





Thank you for your attention!