### IEA Task 48 MeGaPICS - PISTACHE



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#### General presentation

- Developed by: TECSOL & CEA INES (MeGaPICS R&D project)
- Simplified pre-design tool for designer and planner
- First objectives:
  - Simulate a heating/cooling/DHW system
  - Compare monitored results of a real working installation with theoretical results
- Long term objectives
  - Promote the technology
  - Be compatible with future French regulations (RT2012)
  - Guarantee Solar cooling installations performances



#### General presentation

- Previous version of the tool: VB (Microsoft Excel 2003)
- New version: VB.NET = stand alone version
- Calculation step: hourly
- Input parameters: manual OR semi-auto
- Results:
  - Hourly, monthly and annual balance and ratios
  - Indicators calculation and comparison to threshold values
  - Automatic result analysis



#### **Tool name**

- PISTACHE
  - PreSIzing Tool for solAr Cooling and Heating systEms

Icon



Logo



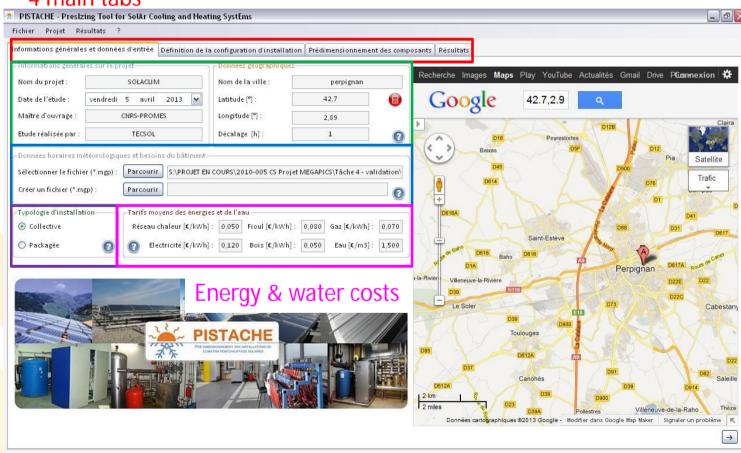


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General information (project & localization)

Input file path

Type of installation

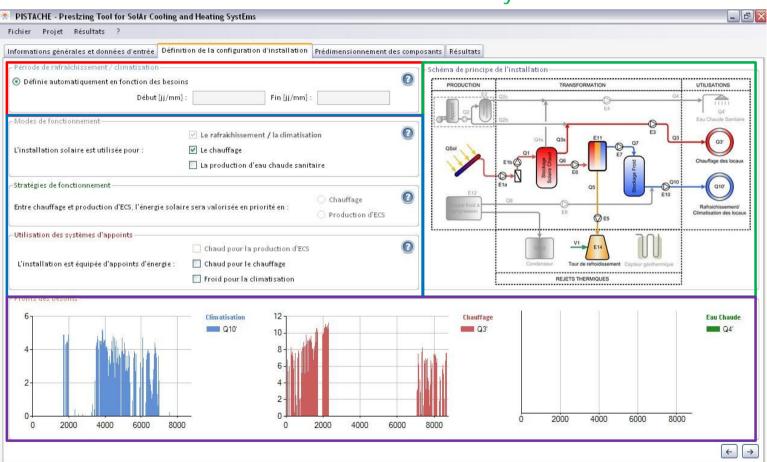




System scheme

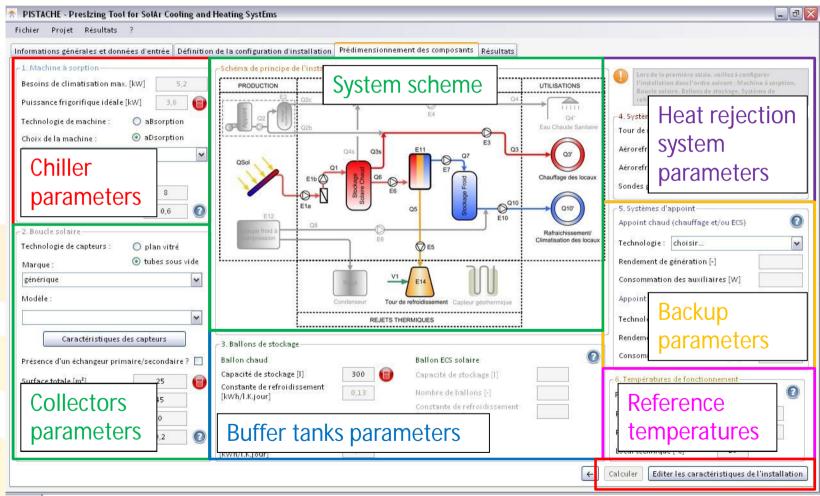
Cooling period

Working modes



View of cooling, heating, and DHW loads over the year

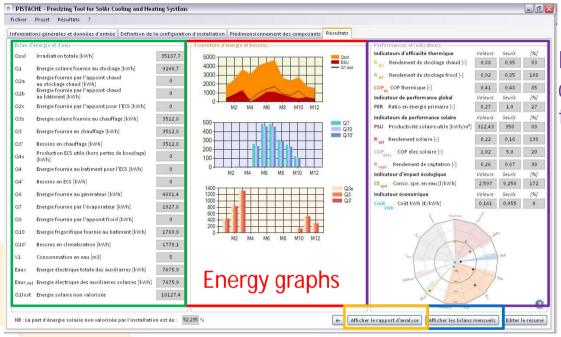




Calculation & edit characteristics



#### Yearly balance

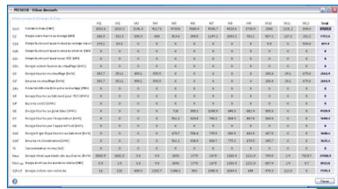


Indicators & comparison to threshold values

Monthly balance



Results analysis





• PISTACHE input file:

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#### What's next?

- Development finalisation
  - Interface functions
  - Help files
  - Bugs and breach finding and correction
- Validation :
  - Performance validation for all architectures
    - With real installationsd
    - With comparison to existing tools
    - With comparisont to the MeGaPICS detailed tool
  - Validation of the help to the pre-sizing function
- Diffusion and use
  - Finalisation of the contract between TECSOL and CEA
  - English translation for Task 48
  - Set up of the diffusion platforms

