# Methods and measures for checking the efficiency of the steam cycle

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# One partner recently said,

"Saving energy has been your theme since Gestra was founded".

You just have to be able to check and prove these savings!



# **GESTRA VKP Systems**

Development of trap monitoring



- 1970er
   GESTRA Ultrasonic leak detector
- End of 1970ers/1980er
  Vapophone VKP
  followed by VKP EX
  VKP 10 (non-Ex)





### **GESTRA TRAPtest VKP**

Manual Steam Trap Monitoring

VKP 20 1980er VKP 30 1990er VKP 40 (Ex) 2006 VKP 40plus (Ex) 2013/2015

VKP 41plus (Ex) May 2017

















### Test Equipment for Steam Traps

- Benefit from GESTRA's decades of experience in ultrasonic testing of steam traps
- Expands the TRAPtest VKP 42 product family
- Ideal for steam trap audits
- Portal version with web-based portal for evaluation (hardware-independent)





The regular inspection of steam traps with the TRAP test VKP 42 (Ex) allows you to...

ensure system availability

by avoiding reduced availability or even system

downtime

- maintain product quality
  - by preventing the production of rejects
- reduce costs
  - by avoiding steam loss





The regular inspection of steam traps with the TRAP test VKP 42 (Ex) allows you to...

- improve sustainability
  - by avoiding CO<sub>2</sub> emissions

Faulty steam traps	Loss per annum	Yearly CO <sub>2</sub> emissions	
1	720 EUR	3,840 kg	
10	7,200 EUR	38,400 kg	
20	14,400 EUR	76,800 kg	
50	36,000 EUR	192,000 kg	
200	144,000 EUR	768,000 kg	



## Scope of supply





- transport case
- USB cable with accessories for data collector
- USB charging cable VKPA 40plus for Com-Box
- power supply unit for Com box
- 4 mains plug adapters for different mains sockets
- strap for securing the Com box
- Access to web-based analysis portal TRAP test VKP
- mirror
- file



#### Data Collector

- Large 5" multi-touch colour display
- Reliable operation even with wet fingers or gloves
- Automatic language adaptation for over 20 languages
- Can store up to 2,500 test objects
- Camera feature
- Protection class IP 68
- TRAP test VKP 42 Ex for potentially explosive atmospheres





### Evaluation application TRAP test VKP local

- Browser based cloud application
- Access from everywhere
- Extended range of functions
- Intuitive operation







# License model TRAP test VKP portal

	Steam Basic	Steam User	Steam Expert
TRAPtest Portal incl. new features	V	V	V
Multi-devic	X	V	V
Online training/ product training	X	V	V
Data migration	X	V	V
Remote Support	X	V	V
Troubleshooting	X	X	V
Listed as Certified GESTRA Partner	X	X	V



#### Benefits

- Highly efficient hardware-independent web app
- Normal and quick check
- Database suitable for more than 20,000 test objects
- Automatic calculation of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions
- Extensive data import and export feature
- Large choice of adaptable report forms
- Direct acquisition of test objects during the test
- Capable of handling QR and NFC codes and Geo tagging
- Optional additional services:
  - Multiple device management
  - Remote support



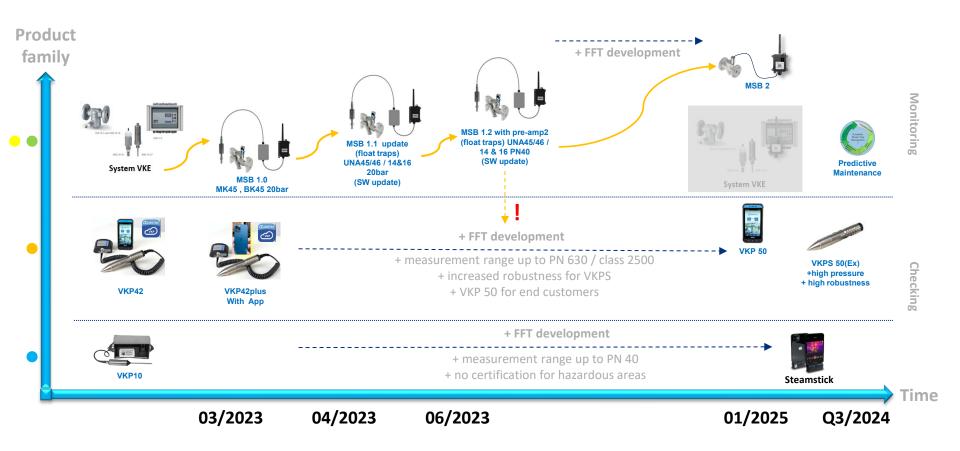
# ecoBolt

# Continuous Steam Trap Monitoring

MSB-1 MultiSensBolt



# Roadmap GESTRA Steam Traptest, evolution





### ecoBolt - Market Demand



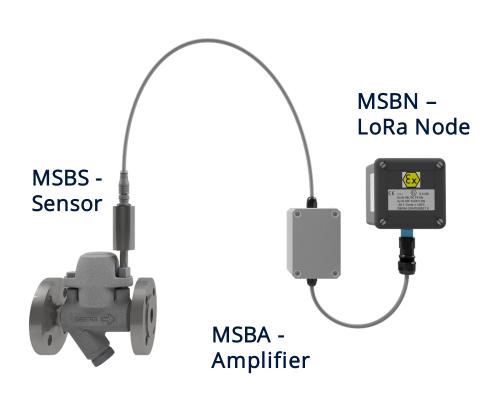
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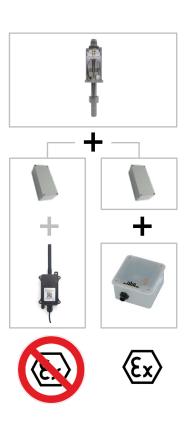
- Energy savings is the number one sustainability priority for many customers. We have a lot of potential to develop our physical and digital services to deliver greater quantified energy, carbon and water savings. This includes via new digital enabled services, such as real time benchmarking (with Cotopaxi), as well as by digitalising more traditional services such as for steam trap management.
- Faster detection and repair of failed traps, enabled by wireless monitoring (compared to average repair times of > 6 months from annual physical surveys), can save up to 10 % of steam system energy losses.
- Mayor players in GESTRA target market demanding wireless steam trap monitoring solutions. Their drivers align with all our end user CVPs with focus to Sustainability / Energy Savings and Process Productivity. Preventative Maintenance insights and Safety are other drivers.
- O&G and Chemicals Companies, with 1000s of traps per site, are focussing on high pressure or critical process trap monitoring. They will require ATEX trap monitors and many of these companies demand that data from trap monitors goes direct to their cloud before they share data on to support our services.





# ecoBolt - Product Introduction







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#### 1. WHAT IS IT?

The **ECObolt** is a retrofittable trap sensor collecting temperature and acoustic data to monitor the performance of applications across GESTRA MK45, BK45&46, UNA 4x series of traps. By using **RetroFitClamp** competitor product can be monitored by **ECObolt**.

#### 2. HOW DOES IT WORK?

It uses the sensor values to identify steam trap performance (incl. functional or failing characteristics) whilst quantifying customer sustainability benefits through the use of a 'Digital Dashboard' & Analysis Service).

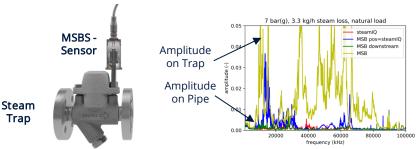
#### 3. USP - Unique Selling Proposition

ECObolt states the only solution being mounted directly to traps. Noise amplitude is far higher compared to pipe mounted devices.

Depending on side condition the application at trap is beneficial compared to e.g. isolated pipes.

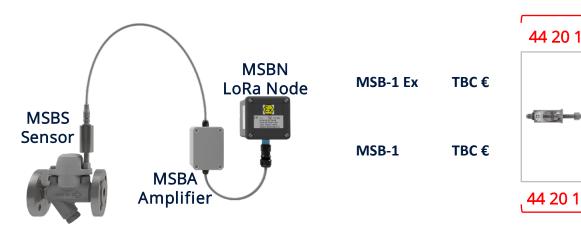


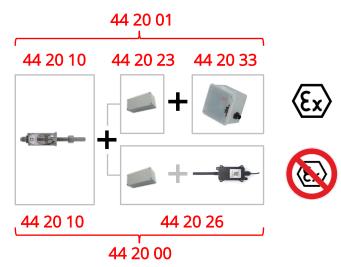


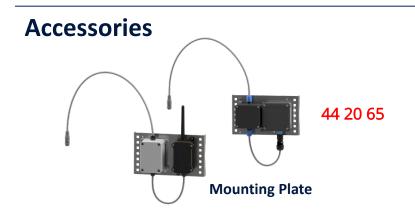




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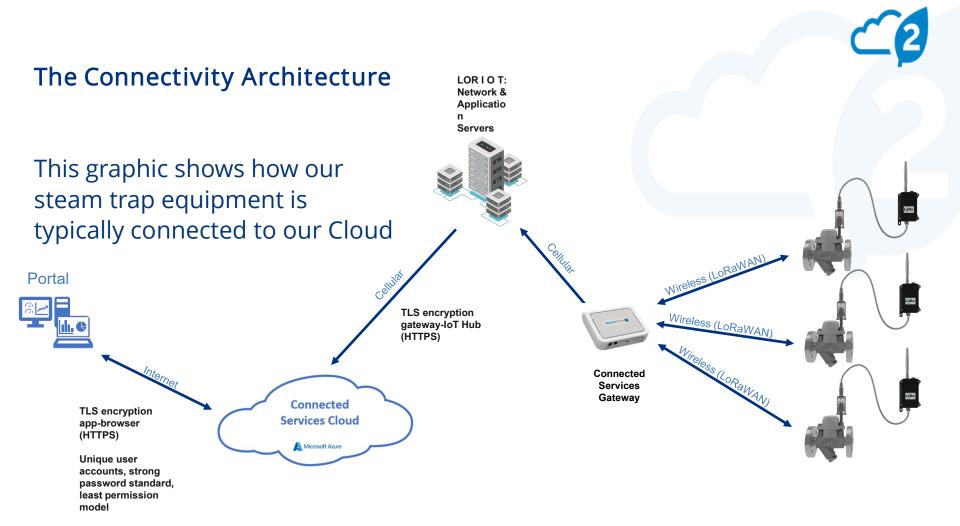
RFC – Retro Fit Clamp

DN 15 / ½" - 44 20 55 DN 20 / ¾" - 44 20 56 DN 25 / 1" - 44 20 57 DN 40 / 1 ½" - 44 20 58 DN 50 / 2" - 44 20 59 90° Adapter

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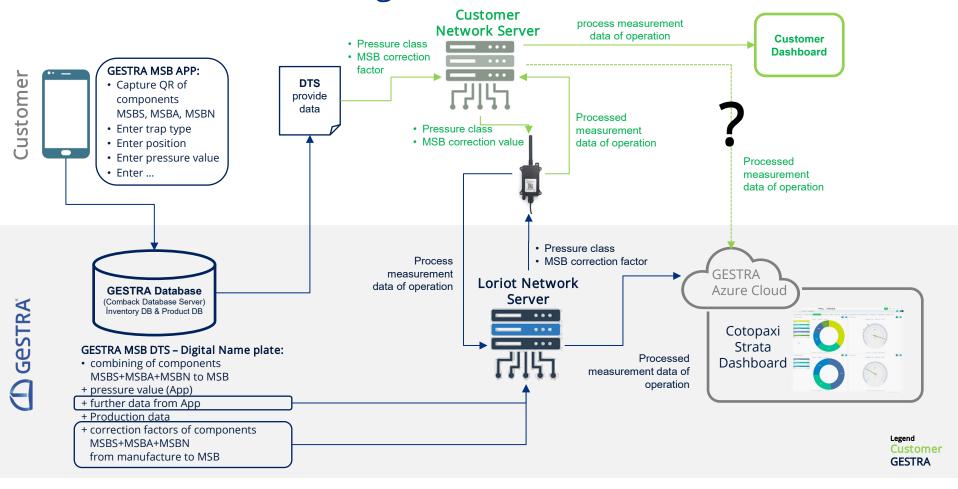






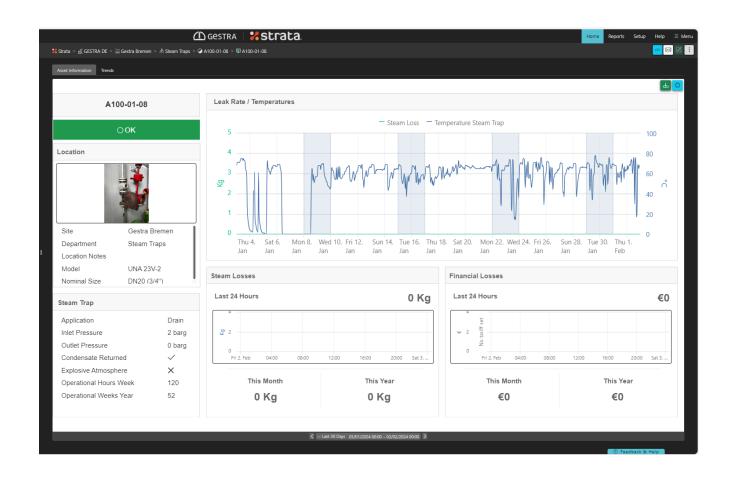


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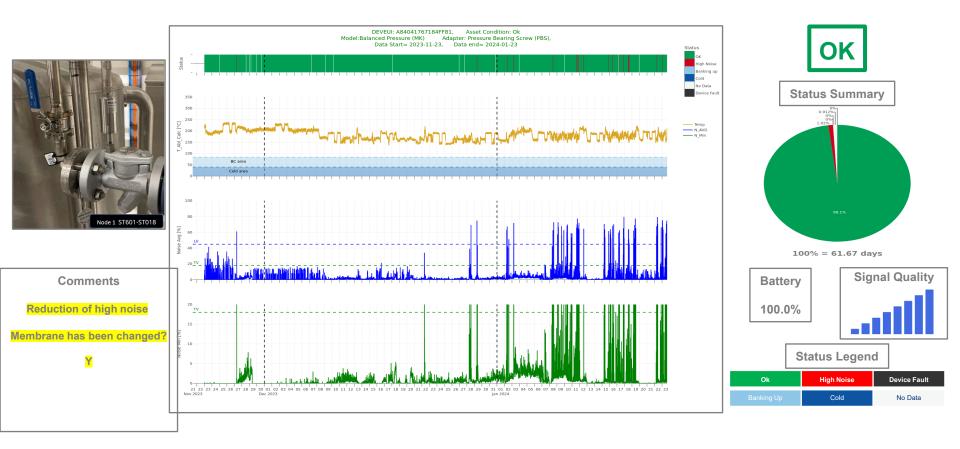


# L2: GOLD – Asset Overview (for each steam trap)



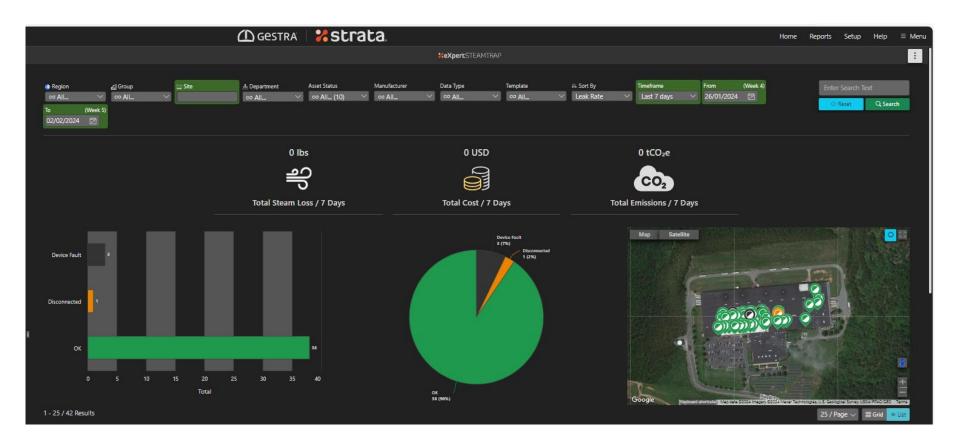


## Trap Analysis Report (1): A84041767184FF81 (Nov 2023 – Jan 2024)





# L2: GOLD – Asset Overview (Dashboard)





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