

HTceramix partners SOFCpower for fuel cells

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Fuel cell manufacturer HTceramix has entered into a partnership with SOFCpower to jointly develop solid oxide fuel cells, it has been announced.

The new agreement will see the two companies work together on the industrial production and commercialisation of the HTceramix HoTbox, according to a statement.

The two manufacturers said the collaboration would be carried out by an enlarged team of 25 people in the coming months at newly expanded facilities at the HTceramix base in Switzerland.

Meanwhile, Italian SOFCpower is implementing a trial production line for stacks and HoTboxes, which is expected to go into operation by the end of 2007.

HTceramix reported strong demand for the solid oxide fuel cell products, with orders having increased 750 per cent over the time period 2005-6, the majority of them from the Asia-Pacific region.

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