

# Failure 100: Mont Blan Tunnel Fire 1999.3.24 Explosion Burning

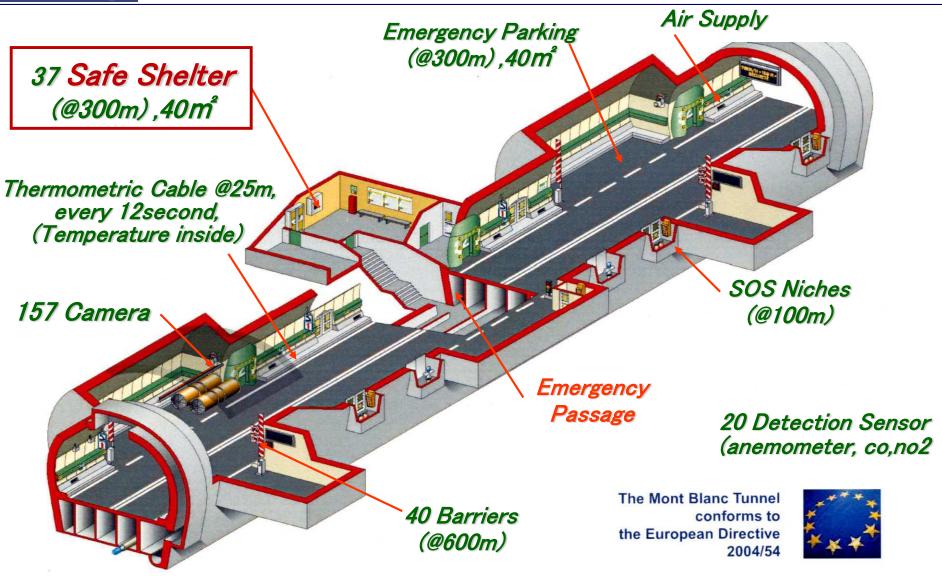
- Fire and explosion in a food truck fuel leak (Wheat flour/12t, Margarin/8t)  $\Rightarrow$  Burnig
- Immediately after entering the tunnel, although smoke is detected ••••
- Fire spread to 30 cars, 40 deaths
- The fire brigade arrives three days after the fire.

#### Cause

- **1.** Initial extinguishment by driver is not successful, **Explosion occurred**
- 2. The smoke was detected, but the tunnel was not blocked.
- 3. French side is the maximum exhaust, and the Italian side is in the maximum Air supply mode
- 4. The inside of the tunnel reached about 1,000 degrees.



### Main Renovation after the accident



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### Evacuation facilities and equipment

- 1. Construction of Refuge Shelters (@ 300m)
- 2. Video communication of the control center with the evacuees is possible
- 3. Construction of a rescue tunnel?





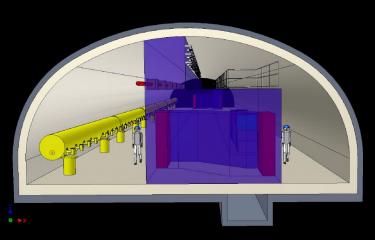


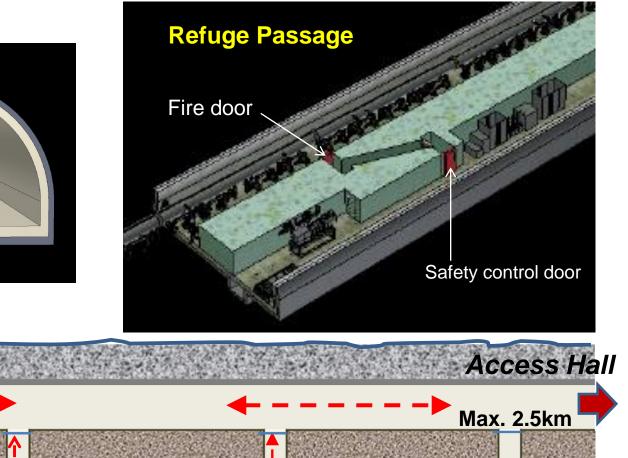
Access Hall

Max. 2.5km

### ILC Fire safety plan – Asian

### **ML** Tunnel





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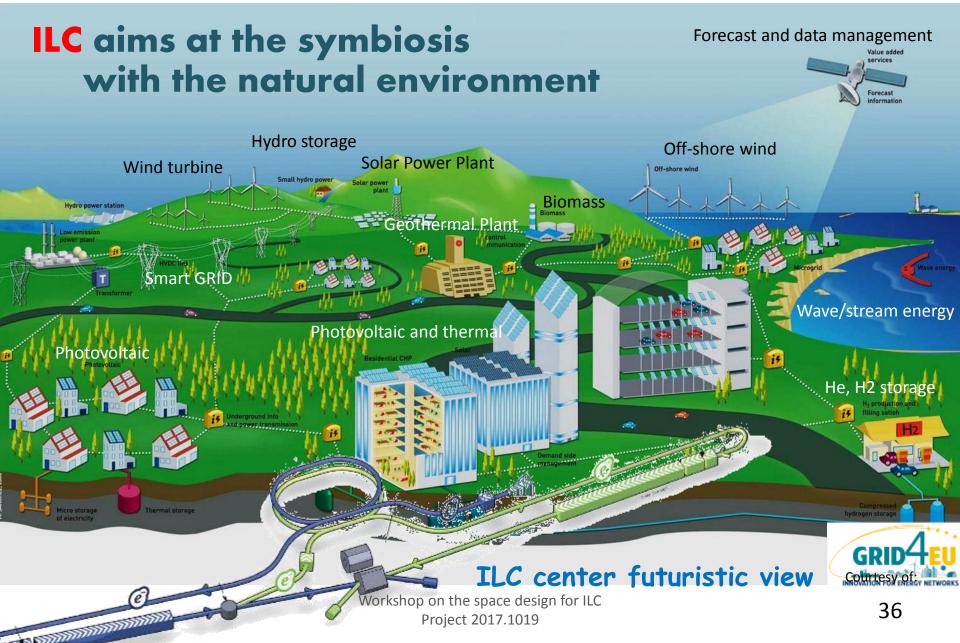
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### Summary

- Consideration of the negative factors specific to the underground space
- The ILC must be constructed in the underground space to satisfy the experimental functions.
- Nevertheless, it is required to prepare a more comfortable research environment for the working in the underground.
- Disaster Prevention Issues
- Optimization of Access Control System
- Communication system with precise refuge information
- Consideration of Life Safety under the special condition

### **Environmental Considerations**

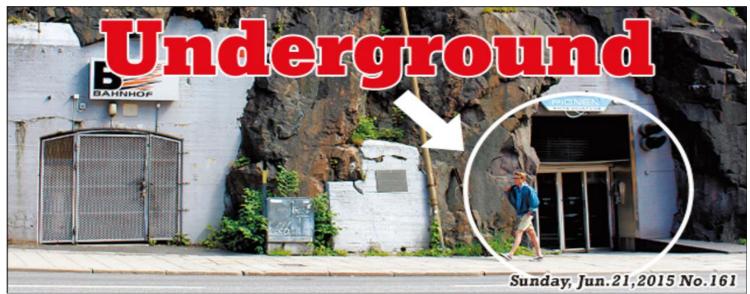




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## Appendix

#### From the Topics of Asahi GLOBES



#### Why do people head to underground?

Underground storage

- As urbanization progresses, the freely usable underground space is getting limited.
- Now we are looking for ways to make the underground more efficiently and comfortably.



Review underground K Familiar underground





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#### ➡ Part-① World's first "underground park" /New York

#### Novel and spectacle plan!

- Proposal by architect James Ramsey (37). (former employee of the NASA)
- An underground space of about 4,000 square meters, the vehicle base of the streetcar in manhattan, New York.
- The solar light collected by the parabolic device installed on the ground, and spread it by reflection on the ceiling.
- Grass and trees will also be planted in the underground space.

#### Is this realized in near future?



