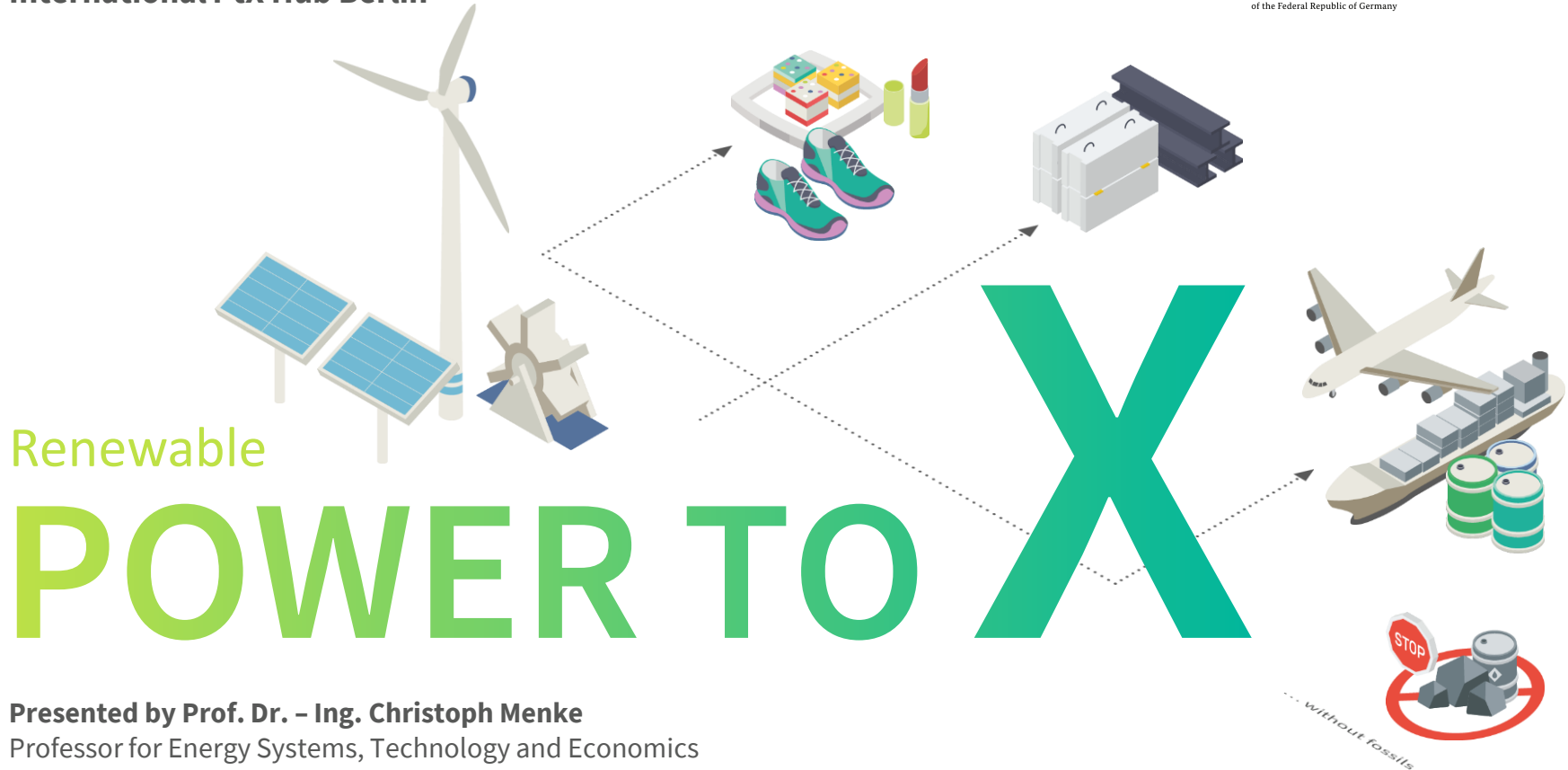


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List of abbreviations

- **CAPEX:** Capital cost expenditures
- **CCfD:** Carbon contracts for difference
- **CCS:** Carbon Capture and Storage
- **DAC:** Direct Air Capture
- **FLH:** Full-load hours
- **GW:** Gigawatt
- **HVDC:** High voltage, direct current
- **LCOE:** Levelised cost of electricity
- **LOHC:** Liquid organic hydrogen carrier
- **LHV:** Lower heat value
- **OPEX:** Operating cost expenditures
- **PEM:** Proton Exchange Membrane
- **PtX / PtL / PtG:** Power-to-X / -Liquid / -Gas
- **PV:** Photovoltaic
- **RE:** Renewable Energy/ies
- **RES:** Renewable Energy System(s)
- **RWGS:** Reverse Water Gas Shift Reaction
- **SMR:** Steam methane reforming
- **SOEC:** Solid Oxide Electrolyser Cell
- **TWh:** Terawatt hours
- **WACC:** Weighted average cost of capital

Key Conversion Data

- 1 kWh H₂ = 3.6 MJ H₂
1 MWh H₂ = 3.4 MMBTU H₂
1 MJ H₂ = 0.277 kWh H₂

Conversion

- **kWh and kg H₂:**
1 kg H₂ = 33.3 kWh H₂ (*heat unit Hu /calorific value*)
1 MWh H₂ = 30 t H₂
1 Mio t H₂ = 33 TWh H₂
- Monetary value per weight or calorific value
- 4.5 ct/kWh H₂ = 45 €/MWh H₂ = 1.5 €/kg H₂
or: 1€/kg H₂ = 3 ct/kWh H₂
- 100 €/MWh H₂ = 3.33 €/kg H₂
or: 1€/kg H₂ = 30 €/MWh H₂

Agenda

1

Introduction to Renewable PtX

Why are we talking about renewable PtX now?

2

Production of Renewable PtX

What is needed to produce green hydrogen and PtX?

3

Renewable PtX Economics

How will the cost of renewable PtX and RE develop? What are the parameters to lower it?

4

PtX Infrastructure

How to transport and store hydrogen best?

5

Markets for Renewable PtX

How to determine where to start a PtX market in your country?

6

Sustainability Criteria for Renewable PtX

Which sustainability criteria will be applied for renewable PtX? Why are they so important?

7

Support Policies and Regulations for Renewable PtX

What policies and regulations are useful and necessary to start your national strategy? How to ramp up the market and business?

Module 1

Introduction



Energy Storage vs. Energy Source

- The Paris Delta
- Supporting pillars of the energy transition



Power-to-X (PtX)

- The concept behind hydrogen
- Sustainable carbon



Energy Efficiency and Electrification

- Efficiency and sufficiency
- Energy demand predictions

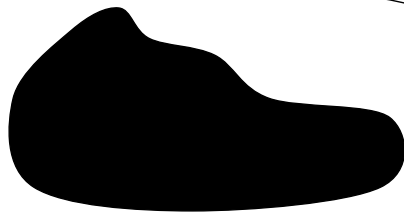


PtX Value Chain and Projects

Mankind's tragical misconception of energy sources

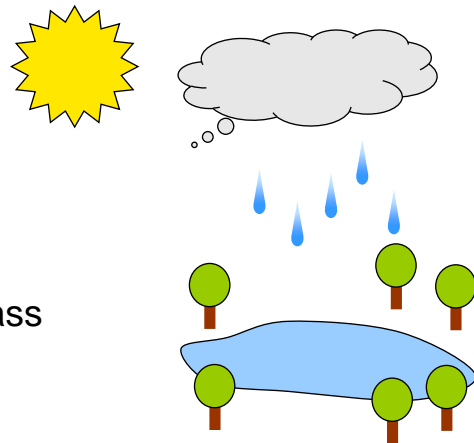
Fossil Energy Sources

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Gas
Lignite
Coal



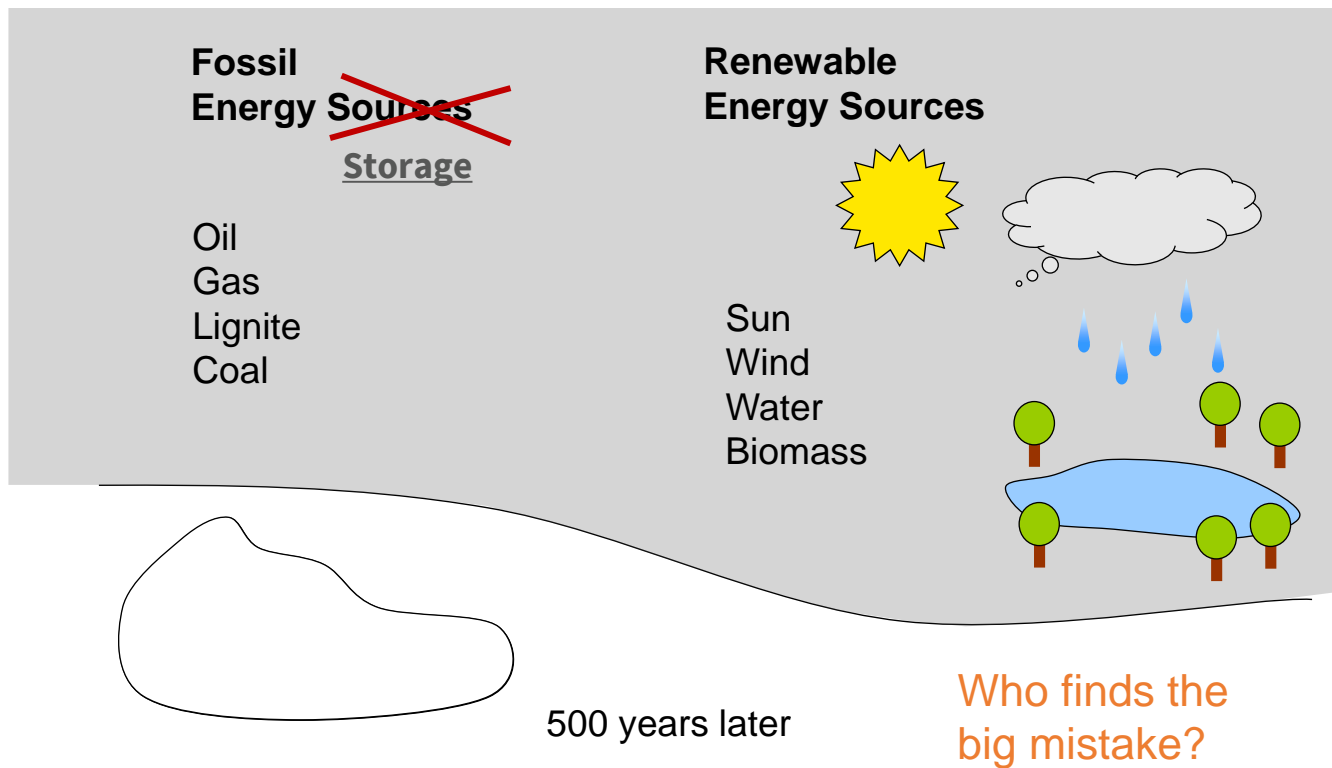
Renewable Energy Sources

Sun
Wind
Water
Biomass



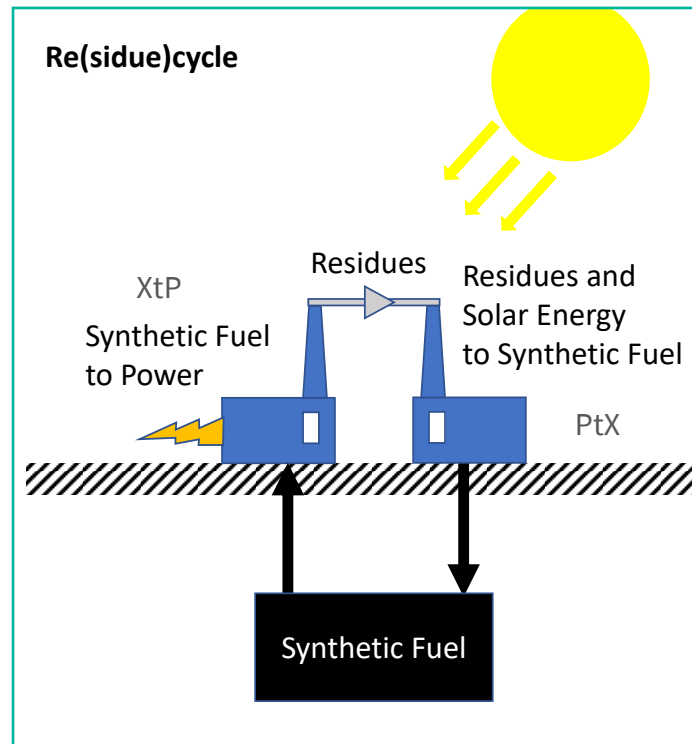
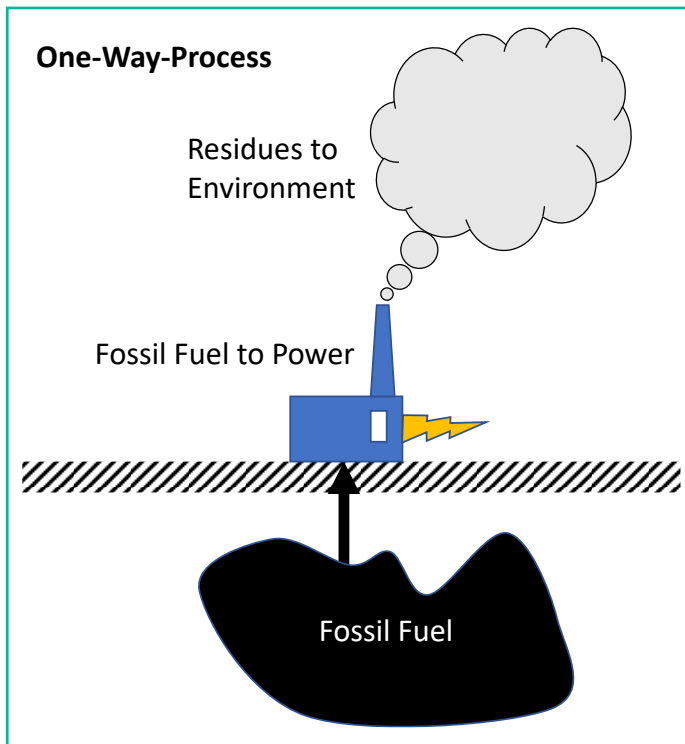
Who finds the
big mistake?

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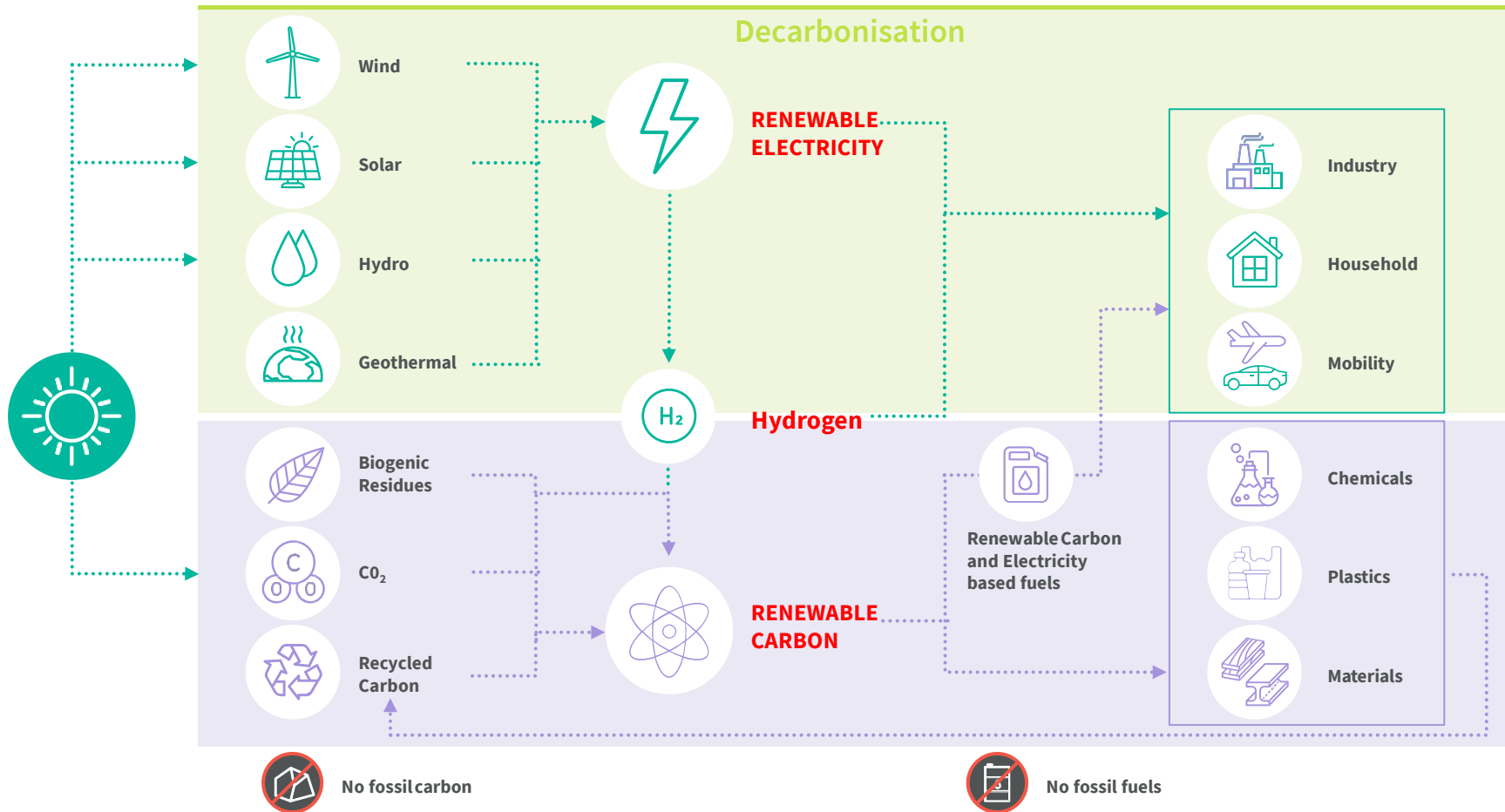


Recycling energy commodities

=> Need to move to “Re(sidue)cycling of energy and materials”

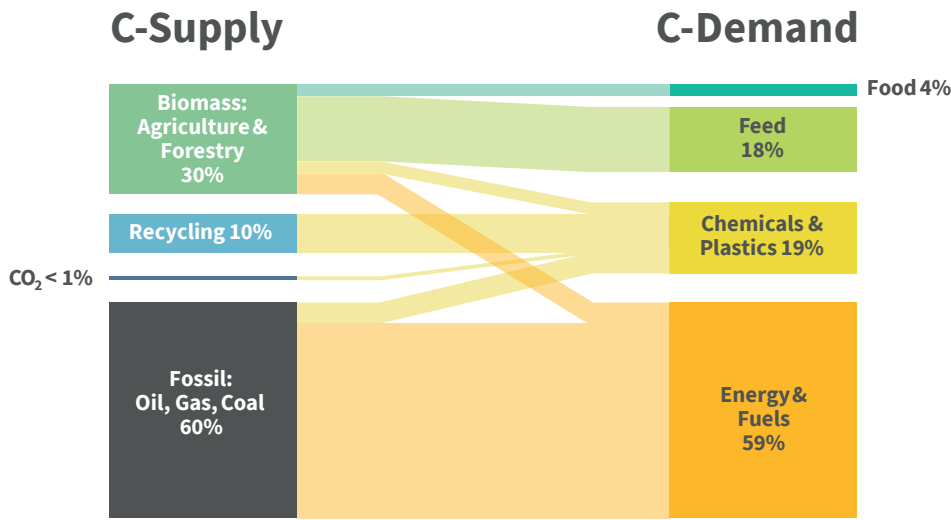


Power-to-X: The concept beyond hydrogen

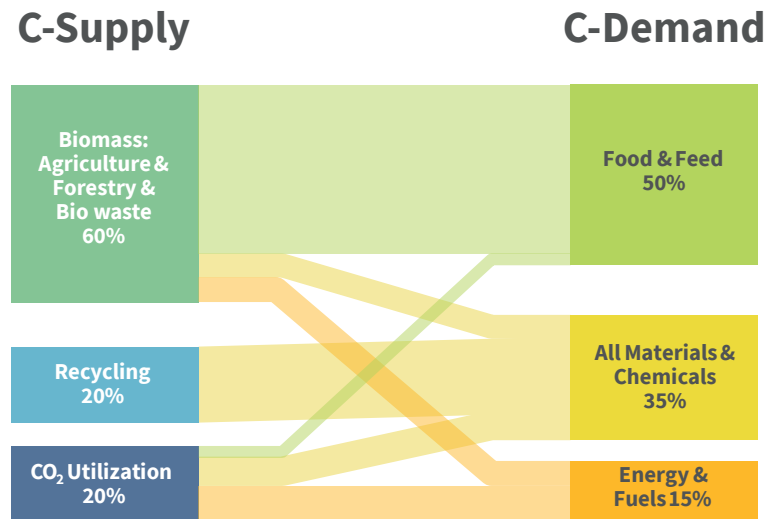


Power-to-X: focusing on the right element: **Carbon**

World C-flows today

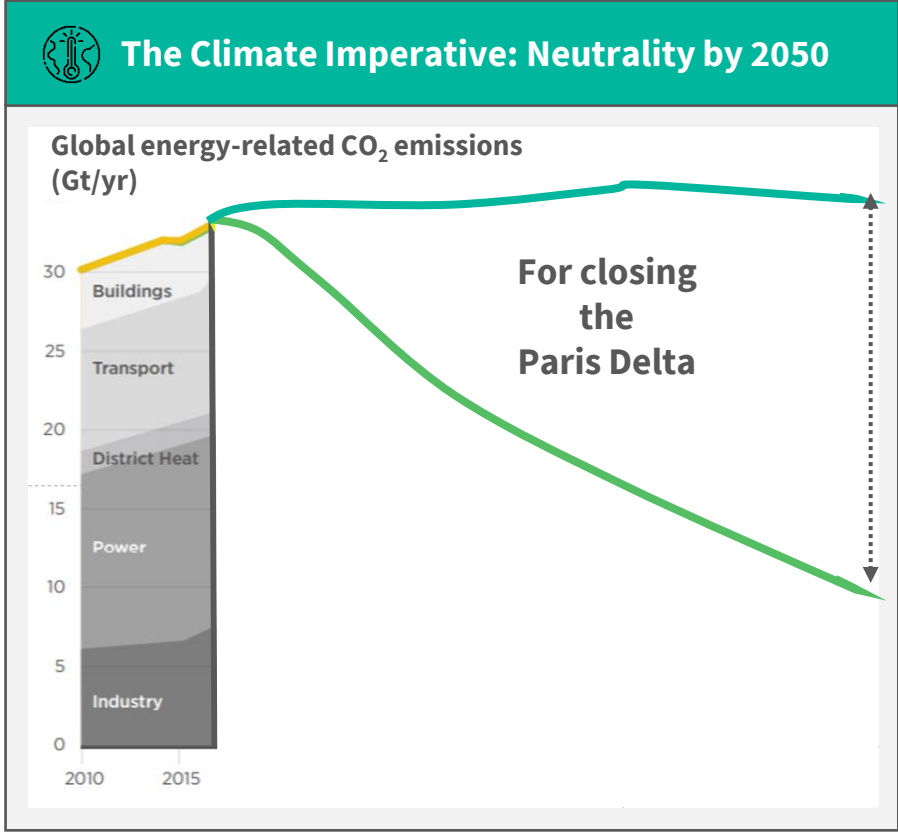


World C-flows 2050
electric mobility + no fossil

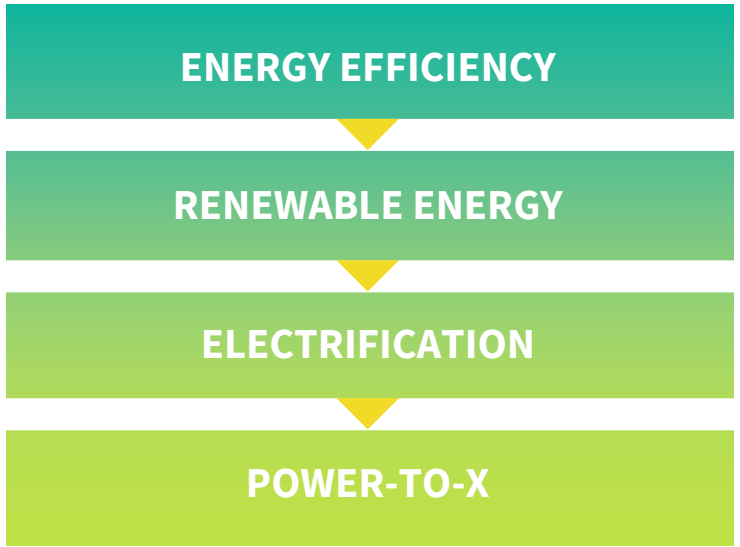


How to close the Paris Delta

... and remaining loop-holes?

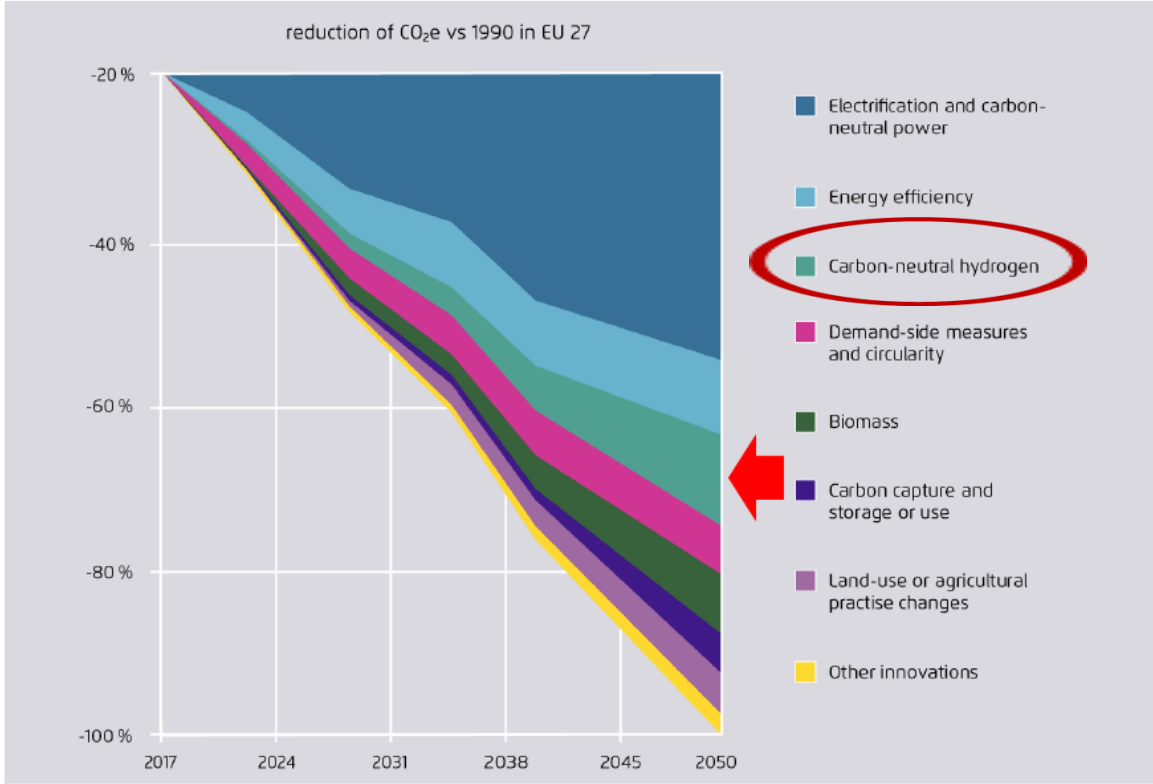


We need:



Source: International Renewable Energy Agency Hydrogen From Renewable Power Technology Outlook For The Energy Transition, 2018, p.10/1.

Share of GHG abatement in the EU by mitigation measures



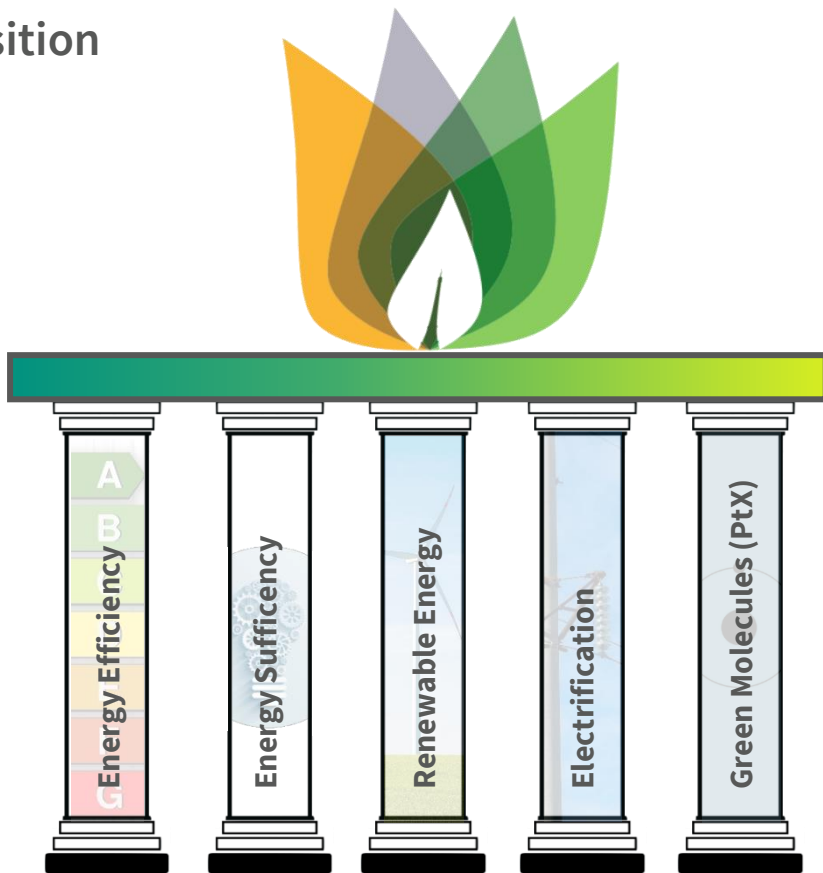
→ Carbon-neutral hydrogen is 3rd largest component in achieving carbon neutrality by 2050!

The supporting pillars of the energy transition

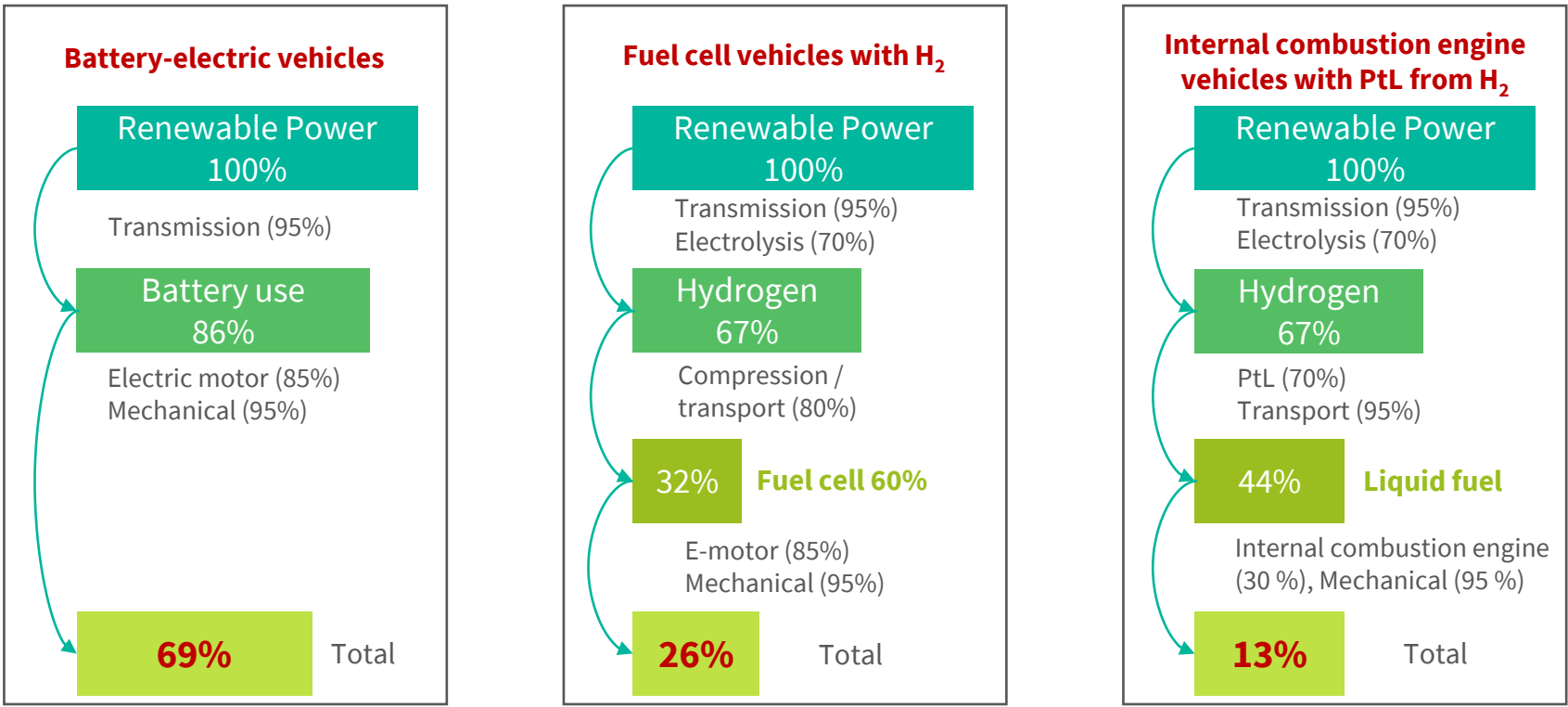
Sufficiency and energy efficiency is a mandatory start

Considering the total demand, for the rest of the energy demand:

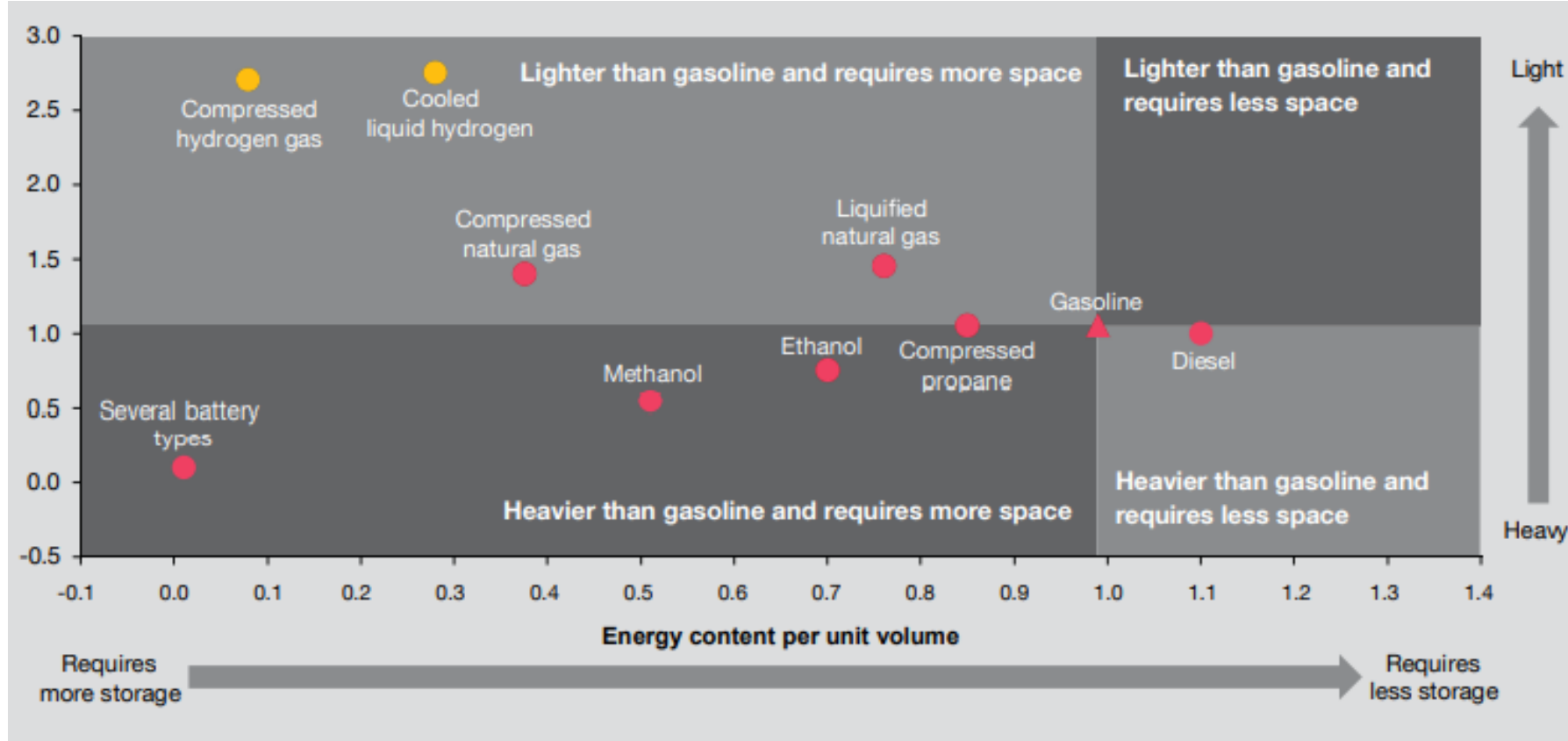
- Renewable energy and its use in further **electrification of demand**
- For **hard to abate sectors**:
PtX (incl. green H₂)



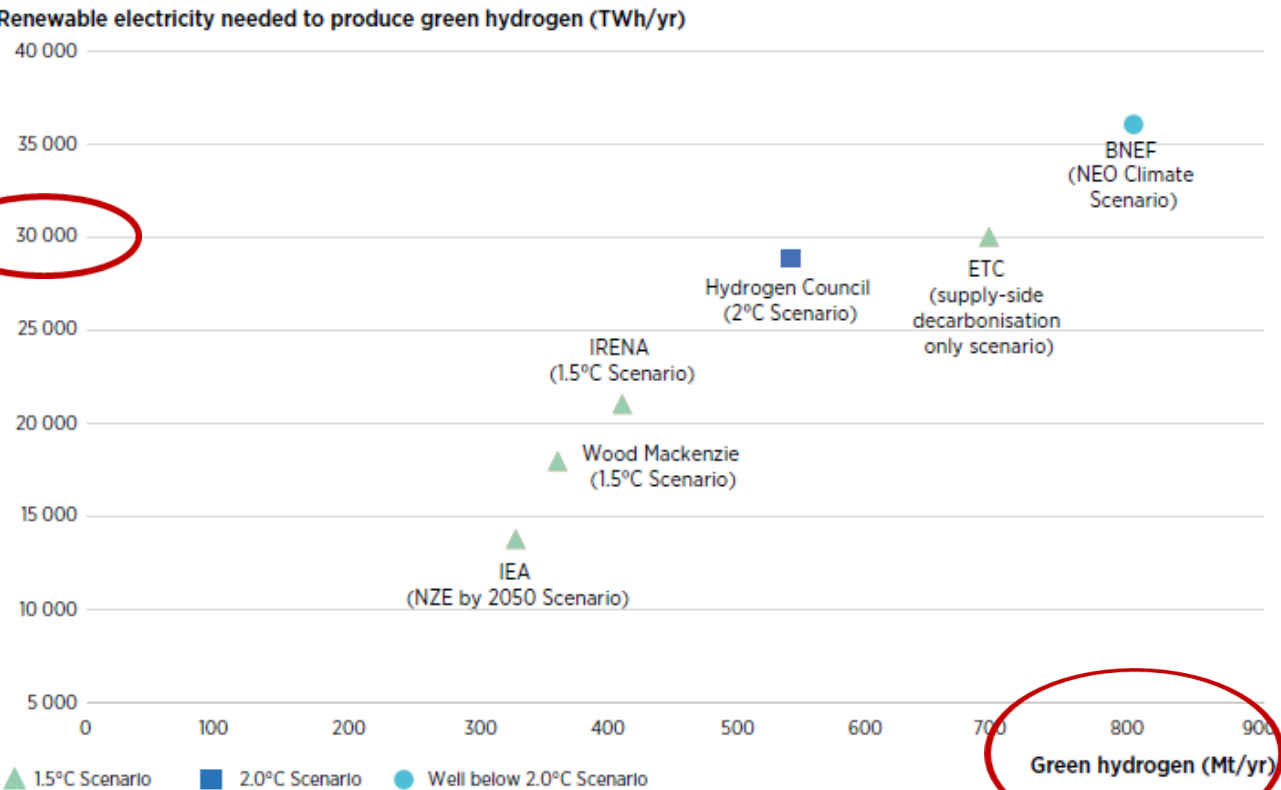
Energy efficiency comes first, then electrification of demand For example for mobility by cars



Energy content per unit **volume**



Global demand for renewable electricity to produce green hydrogen by 2050



Compare:
In 2021 around 8,000 TWh renewable electricity were produced world wide

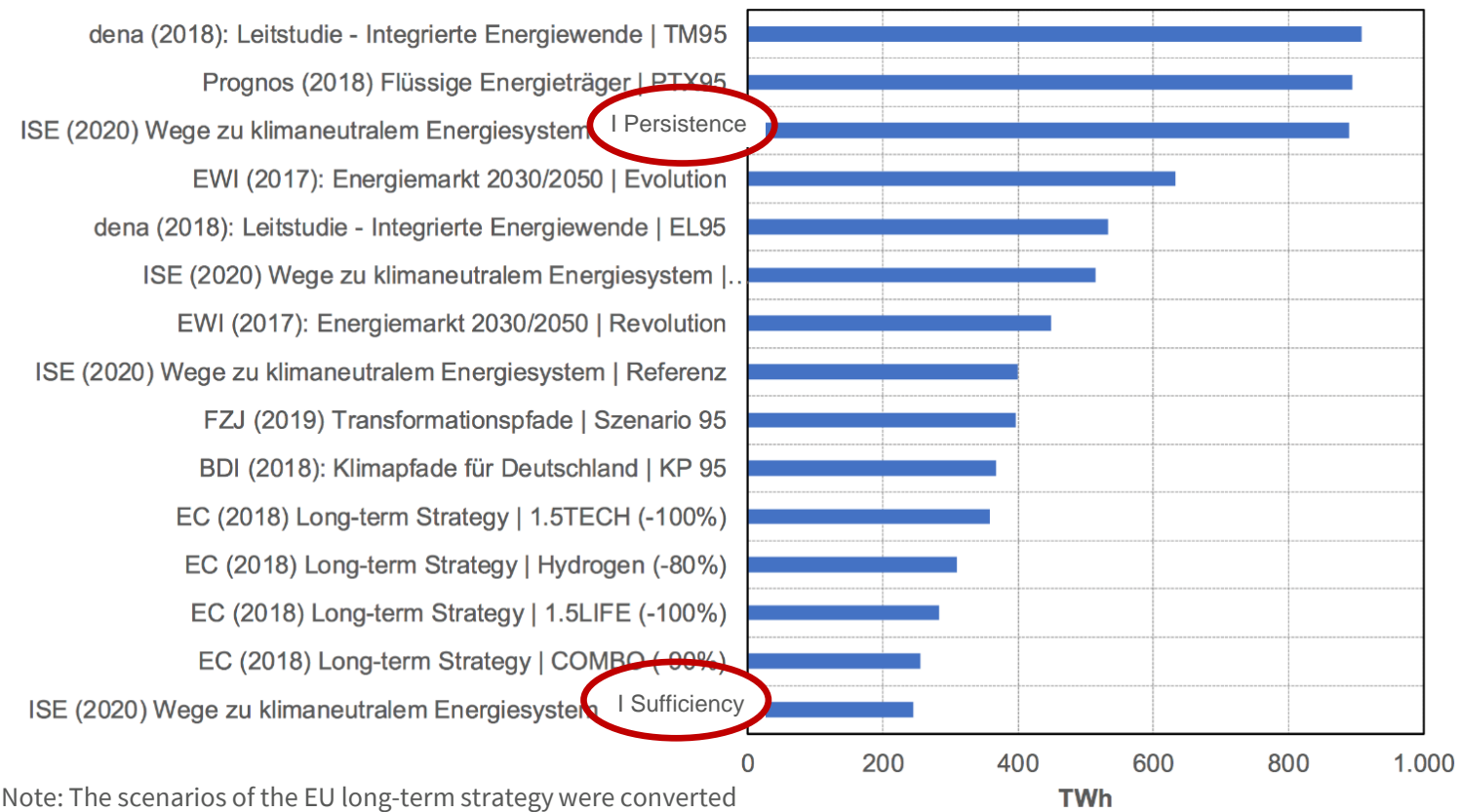
- **PV around 1,000 TWh/a**
- **Wind around 2,000 TWh/a of that amount.**

Source: IEA: Global energy review 2021

Note: The ETC supply-side decarbonisation only scenario is an illustrative scenario considering 2050 final energy demand without application of energy productivity levers. This scenario assumes green hydrogen will make up 85% of total hydrogen production in 2050.

Source: IRENA Coalition for Action, Decarbonising end-use sectors: Practical insights on green hydrogen, 2021, p.11/fig.2.

PtX demand in Germany in 2050 depends on our behavior!



Note: The scenarios of the EU long-term strategy were converted with a 20% share of Germany in the values for the EU-28.



Additional renewable energy capacity to cover oil demand in Germany by PtX?

Electricity demand and necessary capacity expansion of renewable electricity generation at different efficiency levels of the production of liquid synthetic hydrocarbons in Germany.

	C _x H _y - Production	Efficiency 48% (today)			Efficiency 57% (long-term)			
		Electricity Demand	Full load hours	Capacity expansion	Electricity Demand	Full load hours	Capacity expansion	
		TWh	TWh	h/a	GW	TWh	h/a	GW
		TWh	h/a	GW	TWh	h/a	GW	
Wind-Onshore	100	208	1.936	108	175	1.936	91	
Wind-Offshore	100	208	4.032	52	175	4.032	44	
PV	100	208	903	231	175	903	194	

Note: Data on production of synthetic hydrocarbons and efficiency related to the lower heating value of the synthetic hydrocarbons.

In Germany, approx. 100 million tons of mineral oil were used in 2019 → 1,163 TWh CxHy.

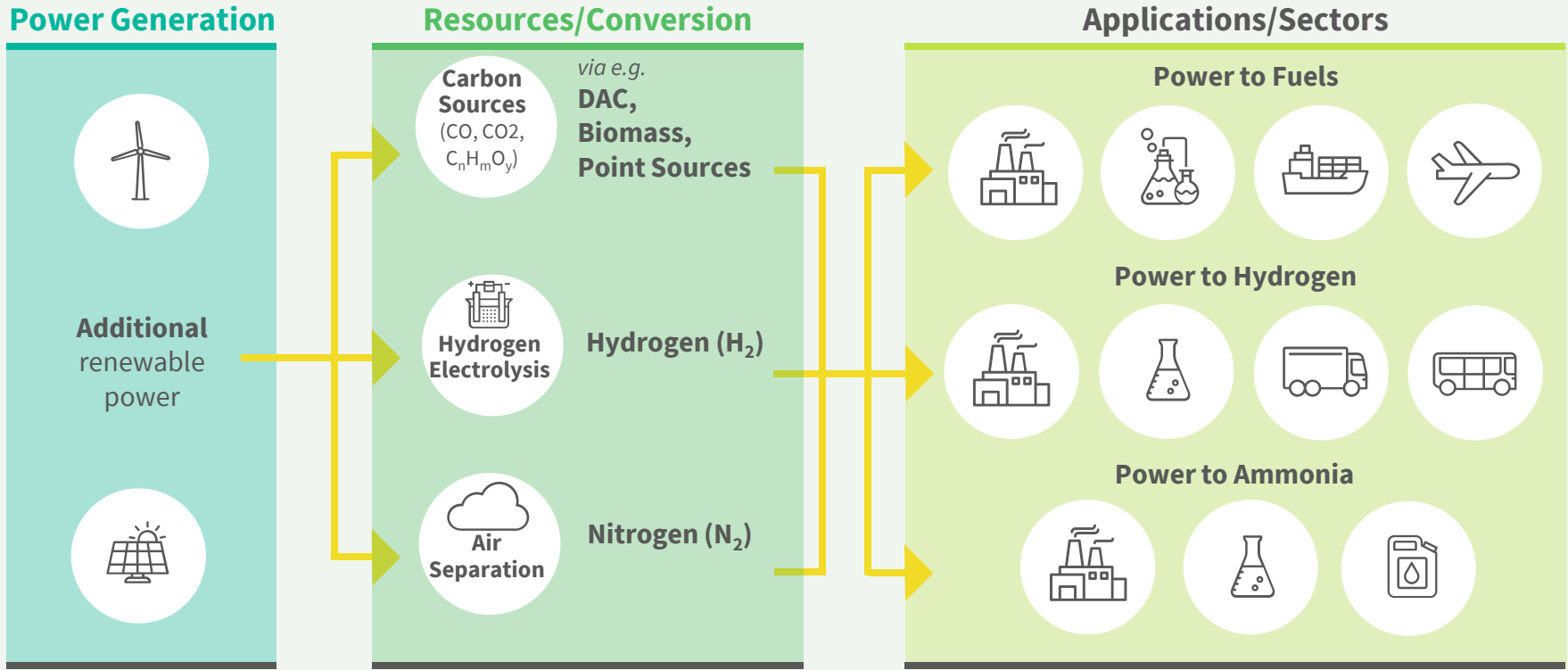
If we want to cover this with synthetic crude, the demand for RE electricity would be the last column **11-fold**.

We need either:

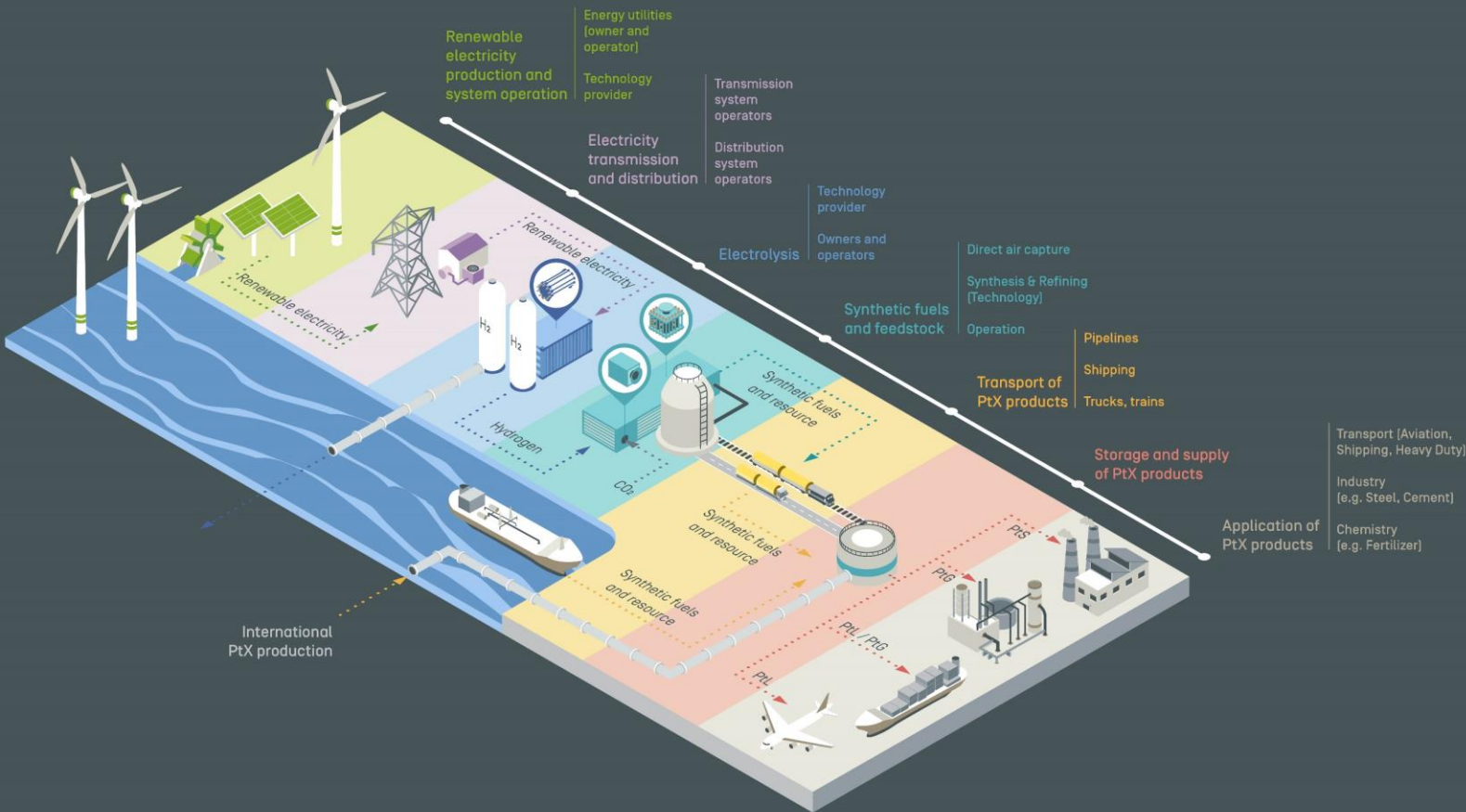
- **1,000 GW on-shore wind,**
- **500 GW off-shore wind or**
- **2,200 GW PV**

to satisfy German Oil demand

Power-to-X: **Steps** from renewable energy to feedstock/fuel supply

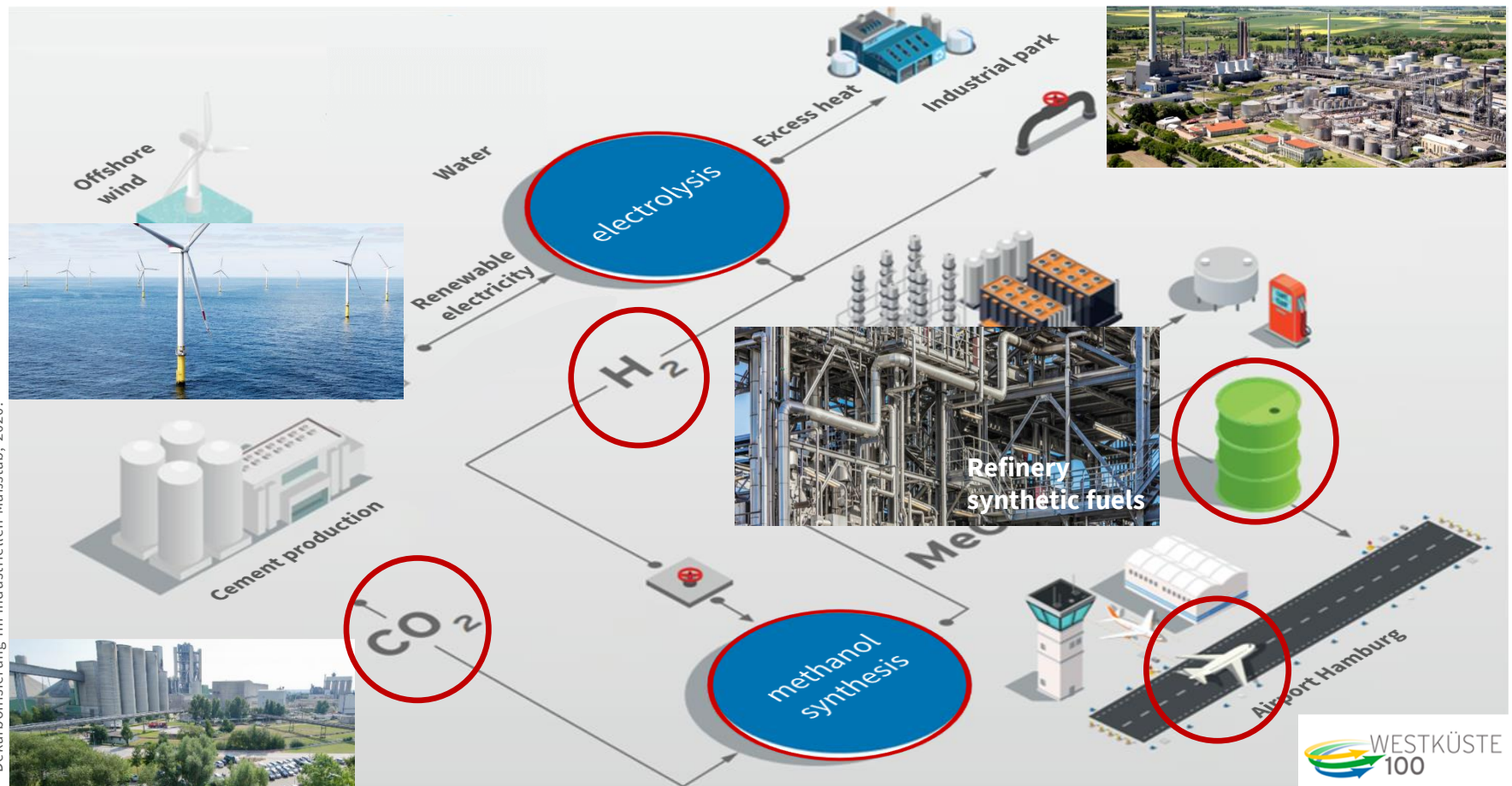


Power-to-X value chain



PtX in practice: Westküste100, Germany

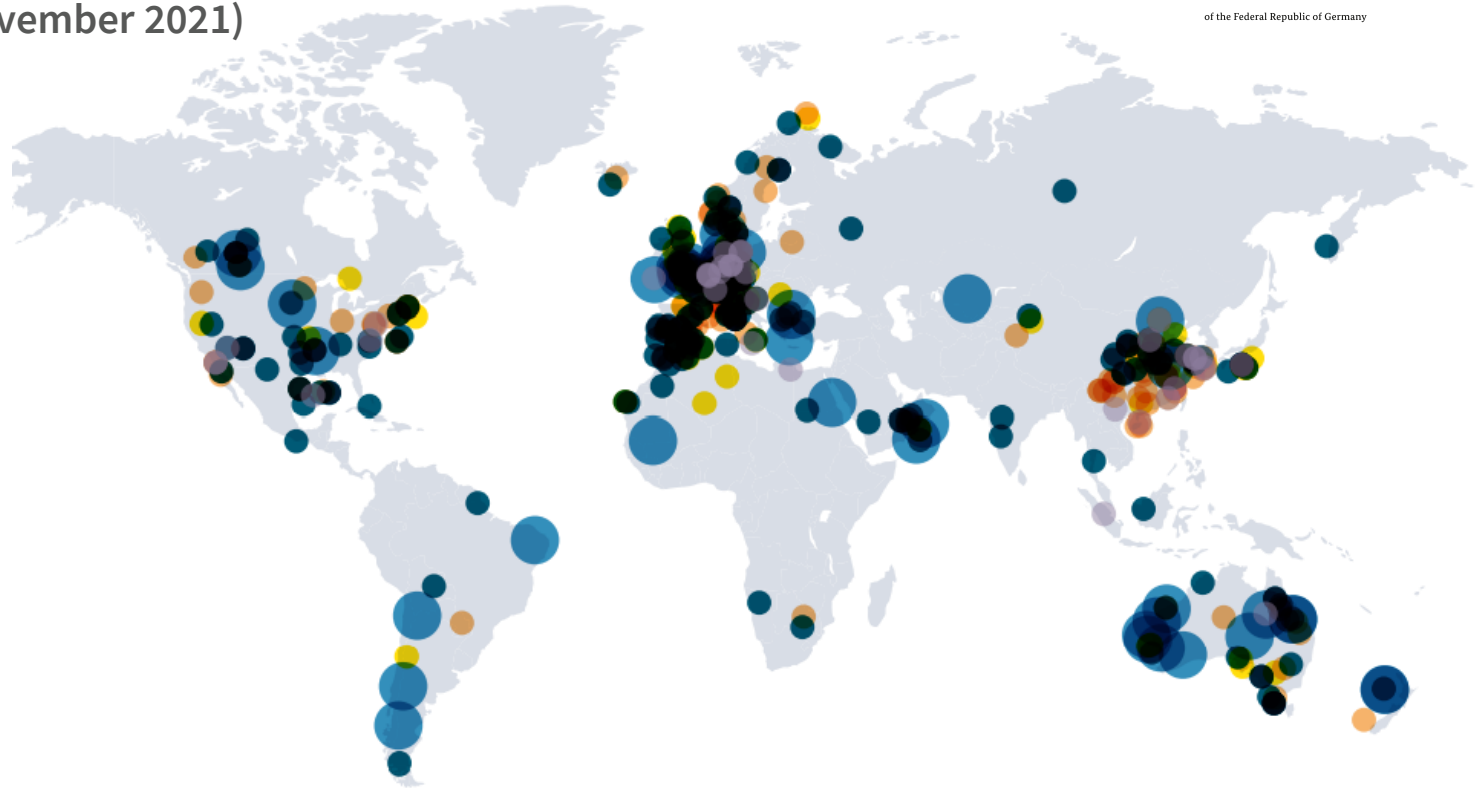
Upscaling PtL



Clean hydrogen projects and investment (as of November 2021)



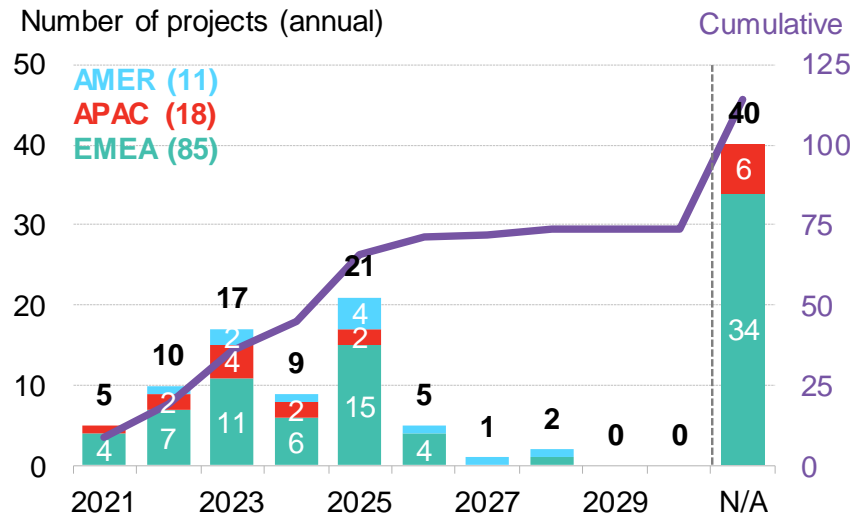
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- 221** large-scale industrial usage
Refinery, ammonia, methanol, steel and industry feedstock
- 133** transport
Trains, ships, trucks, cars and other hydrogen mobility applications
- 74** integrated H₂ economy
Cross-industry and projects with different types of end uses
- 51** infrastructure projects
H₂ distribution, transportation, conversion and storage
- 43** giga-scale production
Renewable H₂ projects > 1 GW and low-carbon H₂ projects > 200 ktpa

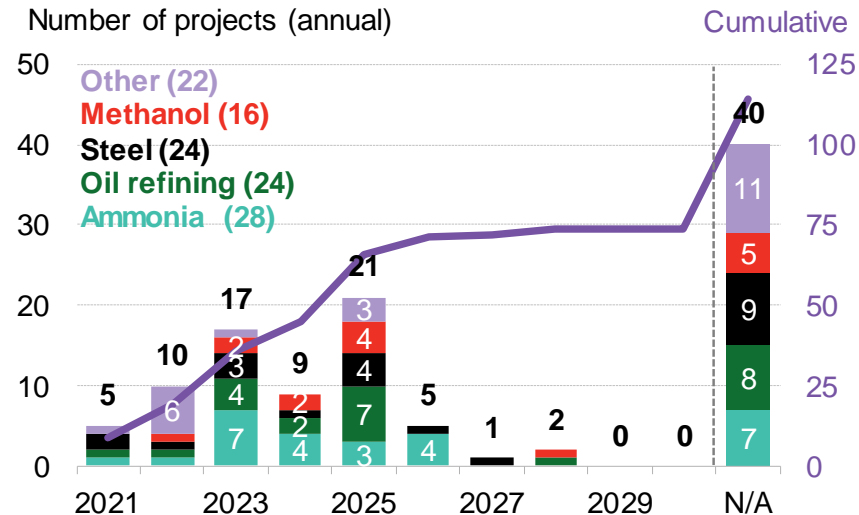
Announced pipeline of industrial hydrogen projects

By region



Source: BloombergNEF

By industry



Source: BloombergNEF

Summary of introduction

Why do we need PtX?

- Complementary energy carrier to limit global warming $< 2^{\circ}\text{C}$
- **Absolute necessary energy carrier to achieve “climate neutrality” by 2050, especially for indirect electrification of hard to abate sectors**
- Enable conversion of renewable electricity into materials and energy carriers (hydrogen, platform chemicals, synthetic fuels etc.)
- Use global RE potential: PtX can be transported and traded globally

Key questions:
Where to start?
Focus on **which sectors?**



MODULE 1: Key messages

Energy Storage vs. Energy Source

- Fundamental **difference between fossil fuels as energy storage**, being emptied by humans at very fast pace, **and renewables as energy sources**. **Burning fossil fuels for winning energy is a one-way process**

Power-to-X (PtX)

- Hydrogen is mainly an energy carrier**, based on renewable energy sources and renewable carbon
- Closing the Paris Delta requires **full decarbonization of energy systems and economies** – for hard to abate sectors renewable PtX as solution, incl. green H₂

Energy Efficiency and Electrification

- To use liquid fuels (synthetic fuels) for mobility services rather than using electricity directly, **5x more renewable energy** is needed to provide the same service
- The overall PtX efficiency is low, but **energy efficiency is situationally**.
- PtX is **most suitable for sectors in which direct use of electricity is not (yet) feasible**
- Green Hydrogen and PtX is only **one of five pillars of the whole energy transition**, the other pillars are a precondition for the use of PtX and green hydrogen
- Global demand** for renewable electricity to produce green hydrogen by 2050 **is very high**

PtX Value Chain and Projects

- PtX refers to the complex conversion from renewable electricity to other forms of energy carriers (PtL, PtG, PtC) and **requires knowledge from up- and downstream markets**, like in oil and gas business





Test your knowledge

“Where do you see opportunities for PtX in your country?”

“What are the biggest challenges to achieve them?”

Module 2

Production of Renewable PtX



Hydrogen Production

- Ways of producing H₂
- Blue vs. green H₂
- Applications of H₂



Electrolysis

- Alkaline Electrolyser
- Proton-Exchange-Membrane Electrolyser (PEM)
- Solid Oxide Electrolysis Cell (SOEC)



Carbon Capture

- Sustainable carbon sources
- Direct-Air-Capture (DAC)



PtX product sourcing, production of:

- Green hydrogen
- Methanol
- Green ammonia



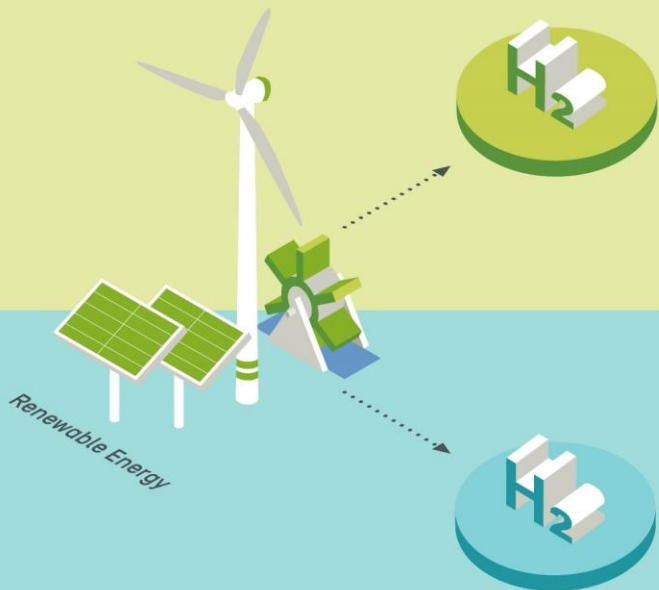
Test your knowledge

“What do you think –
how is hydrogen
currently being
produced around the
world?”

“Which colours of
hydrogen do you
consider
sustainable?”

Green Hydrogen

- Produced via hydrogen electrolysis from renewable energies
- Green hydrogen is CO₂-free



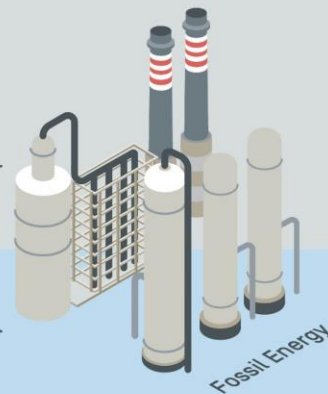
Turquoise Hydrogen

- Produced via methane pyrolysis [thermal splitting of CH₄]
- CO₂-neutral if heat supply for reactors from RES



Grey Hydrogen

- Produced from fossil fuels via steam reforming [CH₄ → H₂ + C]
- CO₂ is released into the atmosphere [not CO₂ neutral]



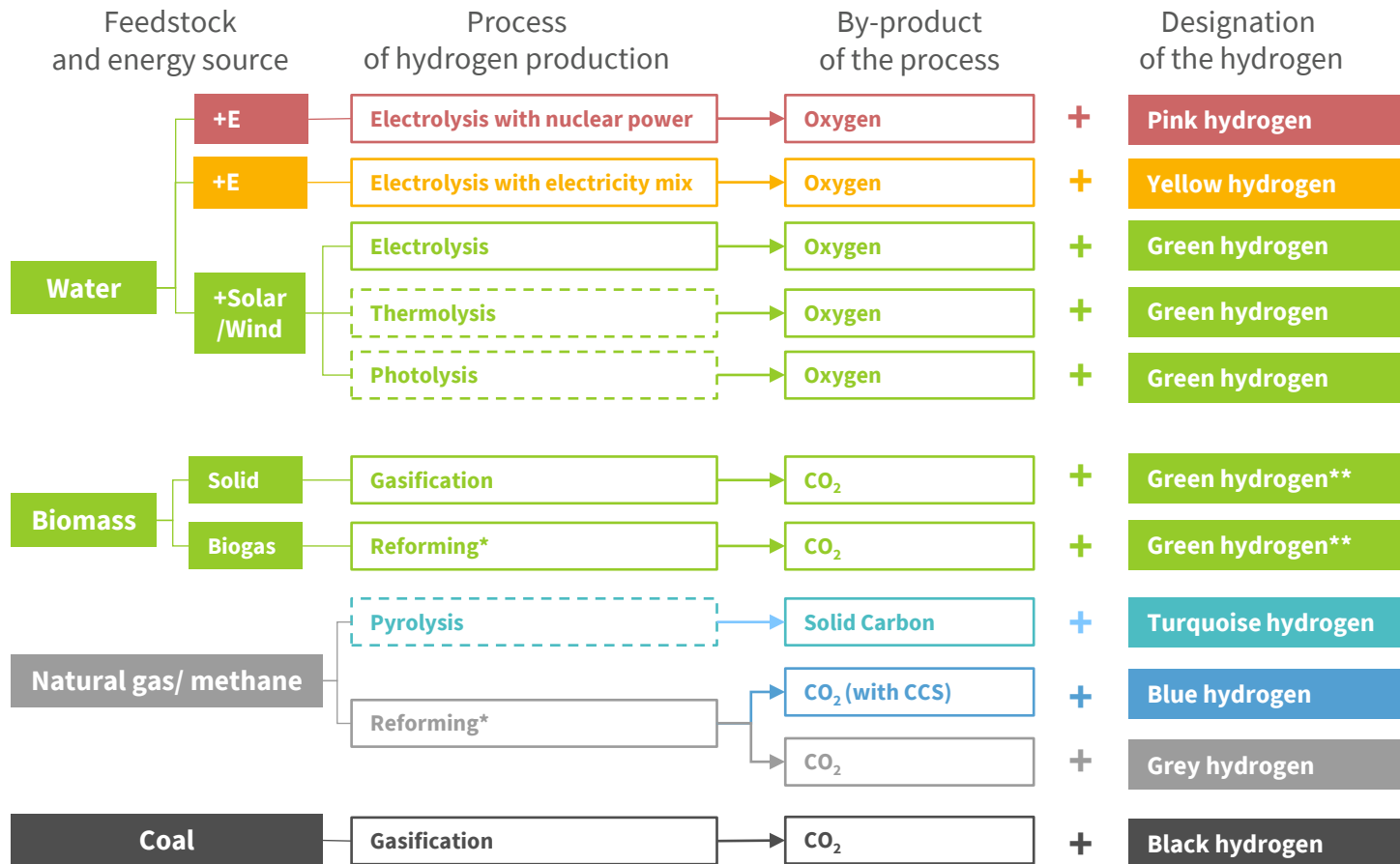
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Blue Hydrogen

- Produced like grey hydrogen
- However, CO₂ is captured by CCS and stored underground

Options for hydrogen production (colours of H₂)

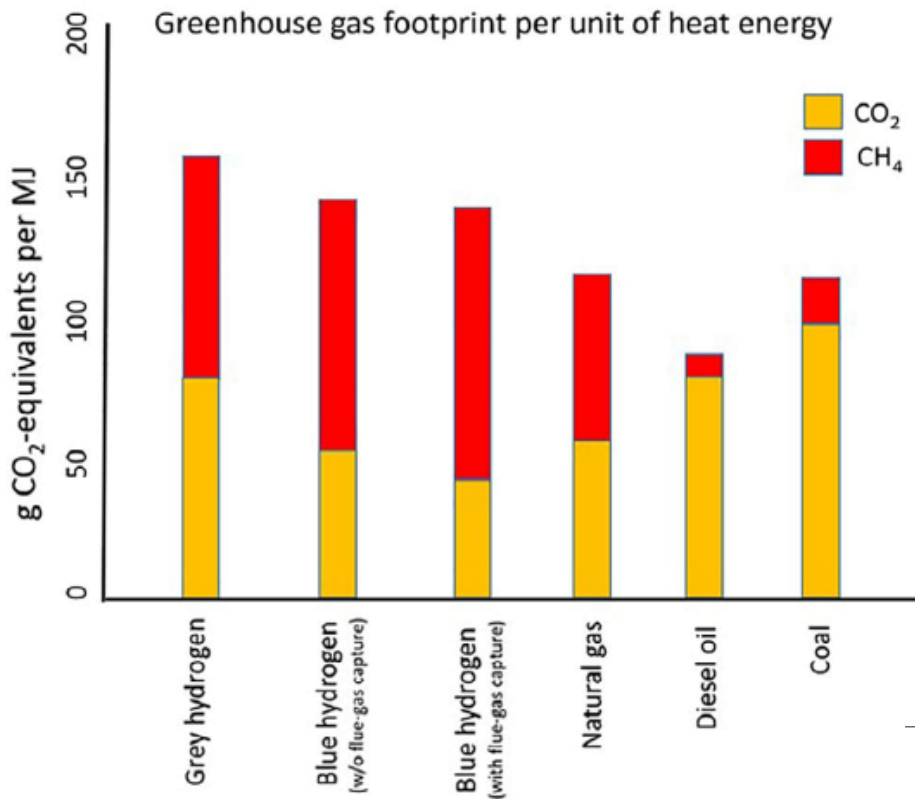


E: energy; RE: renewable energy

* Steam reforming / autothermal reforming; ** With restrictions, see notes.

How green is blue hydrogen?

Lifecycle GHG emission analysis of **blue H₂** compared to natural gas, diesel and coal



CO₂ and fugitive methane emissions for blue H₂ can be higher than those from natural gas!

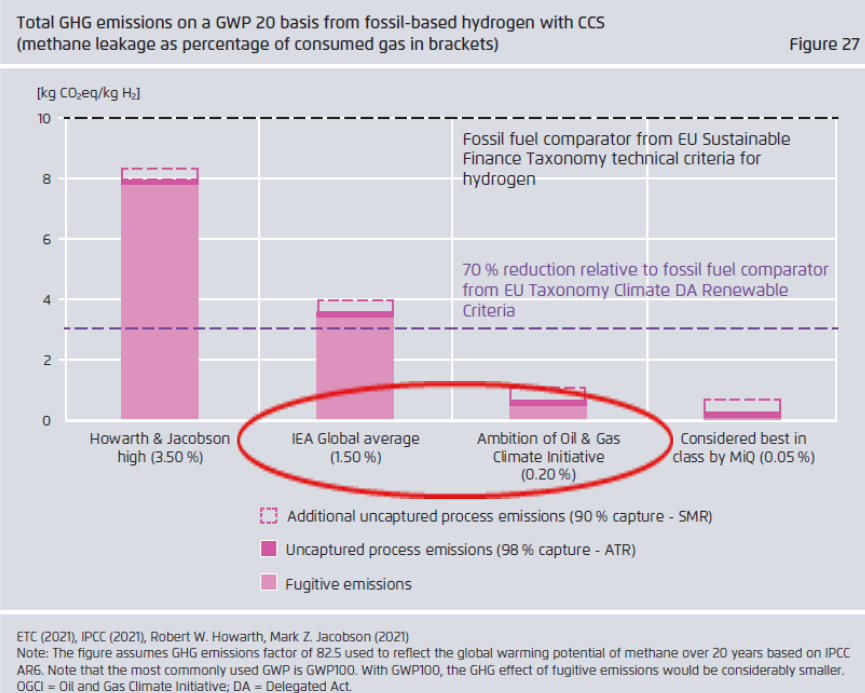
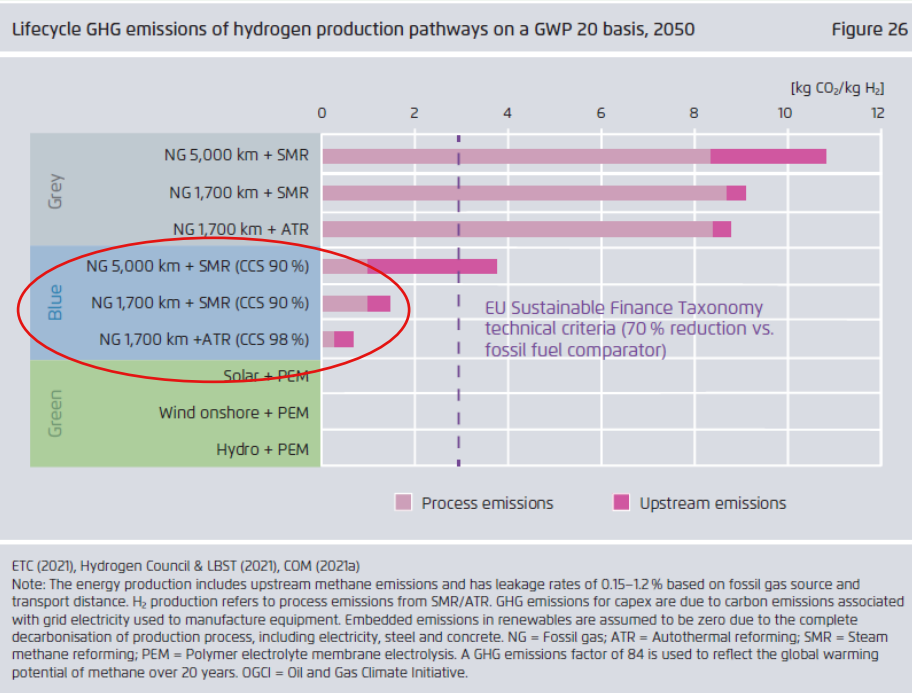
→ Blue H₂ is only 10% better than grey H₂!

CH₄ emissions from gas leakage must be considered!

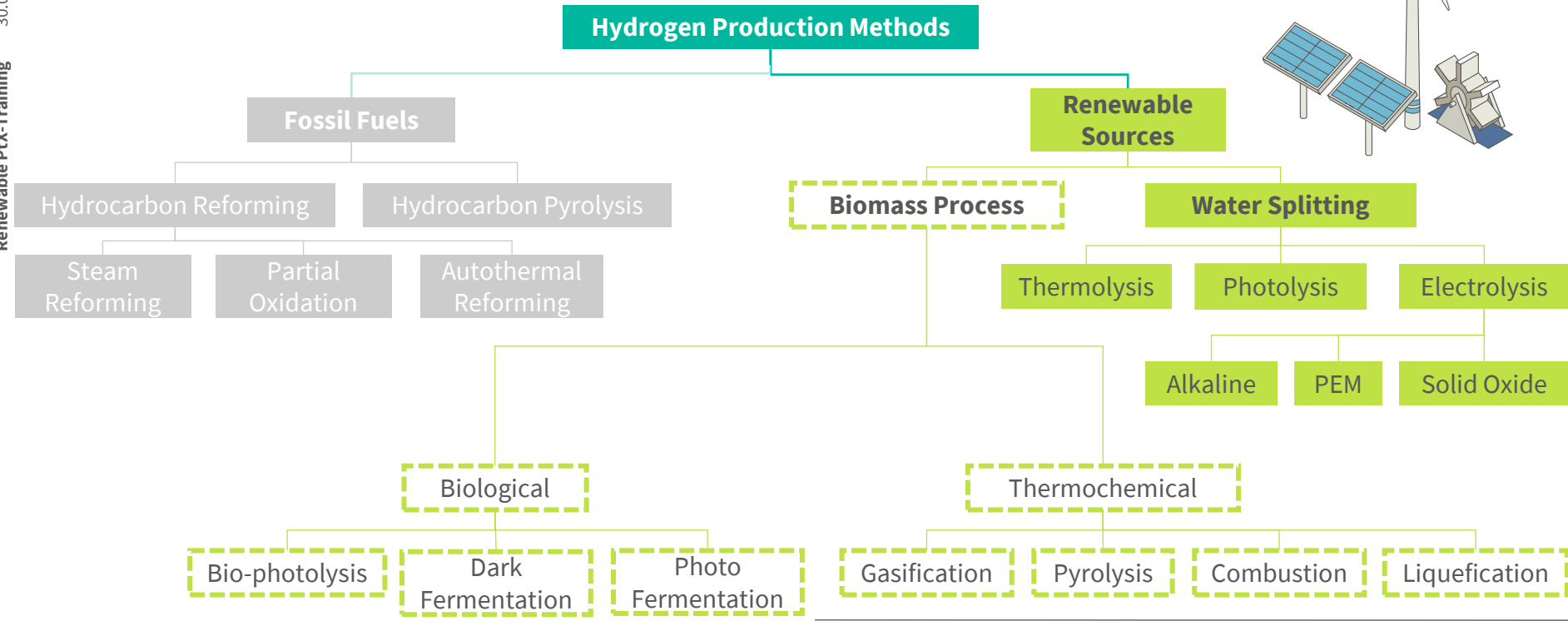
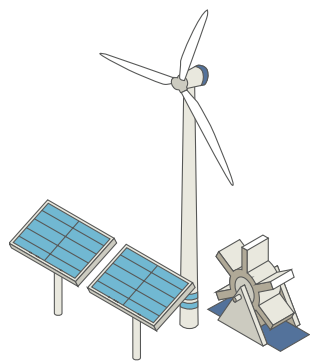
→ In some cases, it may be better to use natural gas directly than producing blue H₂!

Lifecycle GHG emissions of hydrogen

Using blue hydrogen requires substantial reduction of methane leakage!



Options for hydrogen production



How does an electrolyser work?

Electrolysers consist of an **anode** and a **cathode** separated by an **electrolyte / membrane**

- Due to different types of electrolyte material used and the ionic species it conducts, different electrolysers function differently:
 - Alkaline and Alkaline-Exchange-Membrane (AEM)
 - Proton-Exchange-Membrane (PEM)
 - Solid-Oxide-Electrolyser-Cell (SOEC)

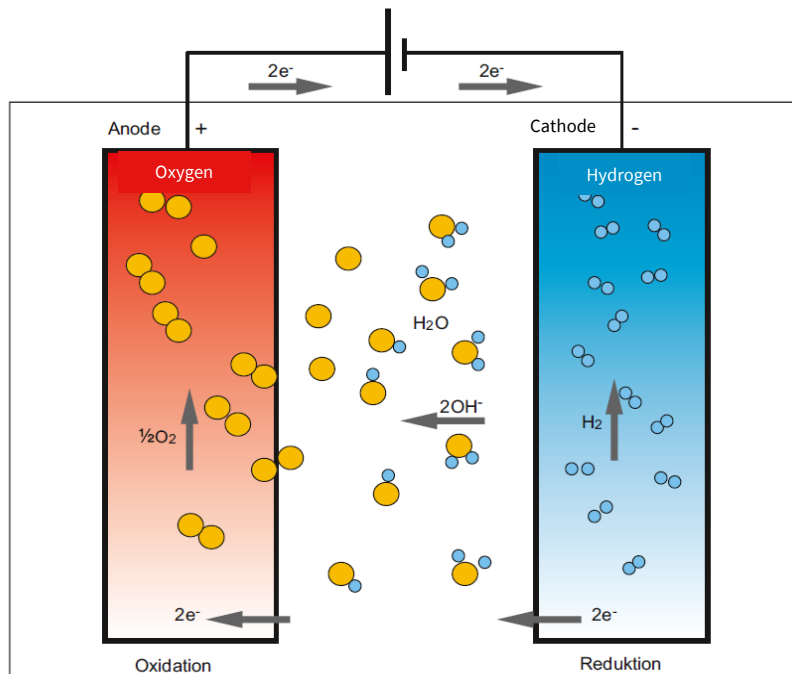


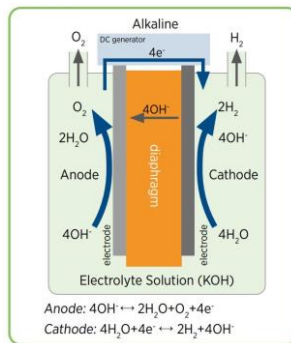
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Electrolysis

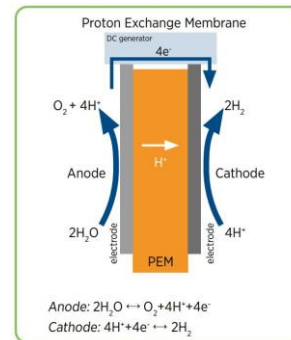
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PtX Production

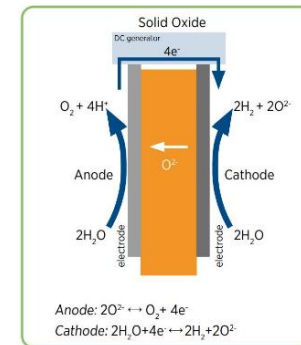
Key parameter of different electrolyser technologies



Alkaline



PEM



SOEC

Operating Temperature		60-80°C	50-80°C	650-1.000°C
Voltage Efficiency		62-82%	67-82%	< 110%
Stack Lifetime		20.000-90.000 h	60.000-90.000 h	< 10.000 h
Operating Pressure		approx. 30 bar	< 50 bar	approx. 1 bar
Efficiency in %	Current	63-70 ³ ; 62-82 ⁵	56-60 ³ ; 65-82 ⁵	74-81 ³ ; 65-85 ⁵
	Long-term	70-80 ³ ; 78-84 ⁵	67-74 ³ ; 75-84 ⁵	77-90 ³ ; 87-95 ⁵

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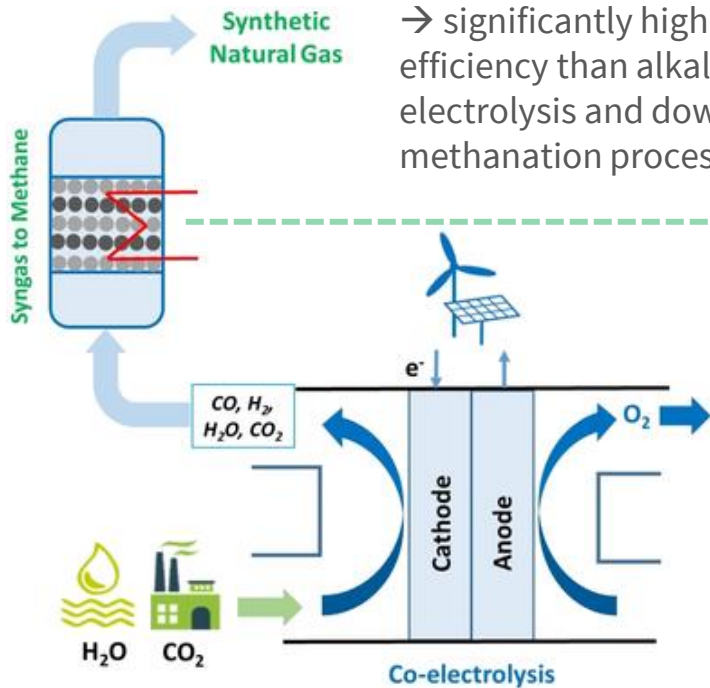
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PtX Production

Solid-Oxide-Electrolysis-Cell (SOEC): Co-SOEC

Generates $H_2 + CO$ in 1 process step

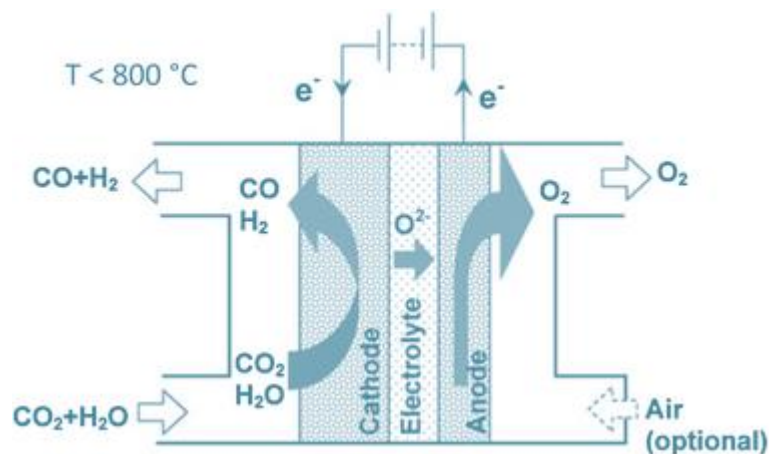
→ significantly higher degree of efficiency than alkaline or PEM electrolysis and downstream FT or methanation processes



SOEC avoids RWGS

High-temperature co-electrolysis (Co-SOEC)

- In SOEC cell: H_2 production**
 $CO_2 + H_2O = CO + H_2 + O_2$
- plus RWGS reaction in SOEC:**
 $CO_2 + H_2 = CO + H_2O$
- (potentially) Methanation reactions in fixed bed reactor:**
 $CO_2 + 4H_2 = CH_4 + 2H_2O$ and
 $CO + 3H_2 = CH_4 + H_2O$

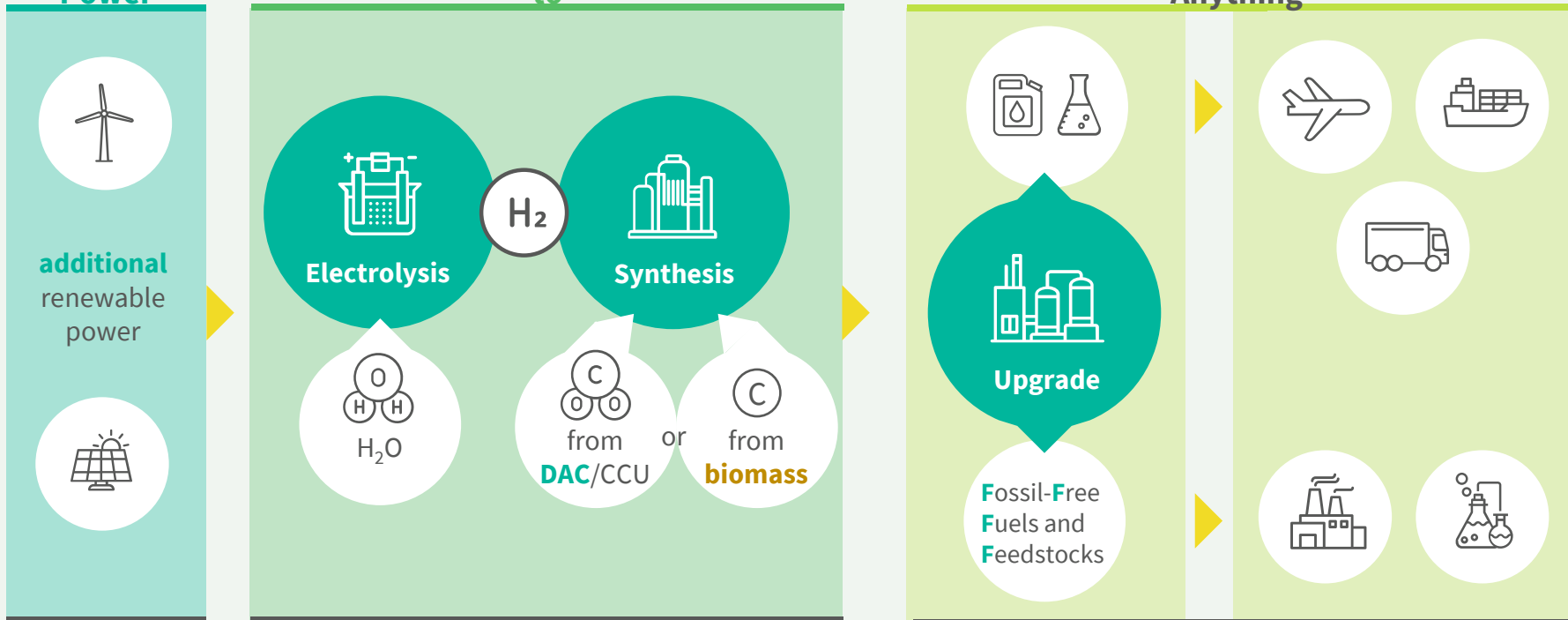


Electrolysis

Carbon

PtXProduction

How to produce PtX products?

We need as well **SUSTAINABLE CARBON****Power****to****Anything**

If you have CO_2 and water you can
convert power to nearly anything

CCU: Carbon capture and utilisation

DAC: Direct Air capture



Test your knowledge

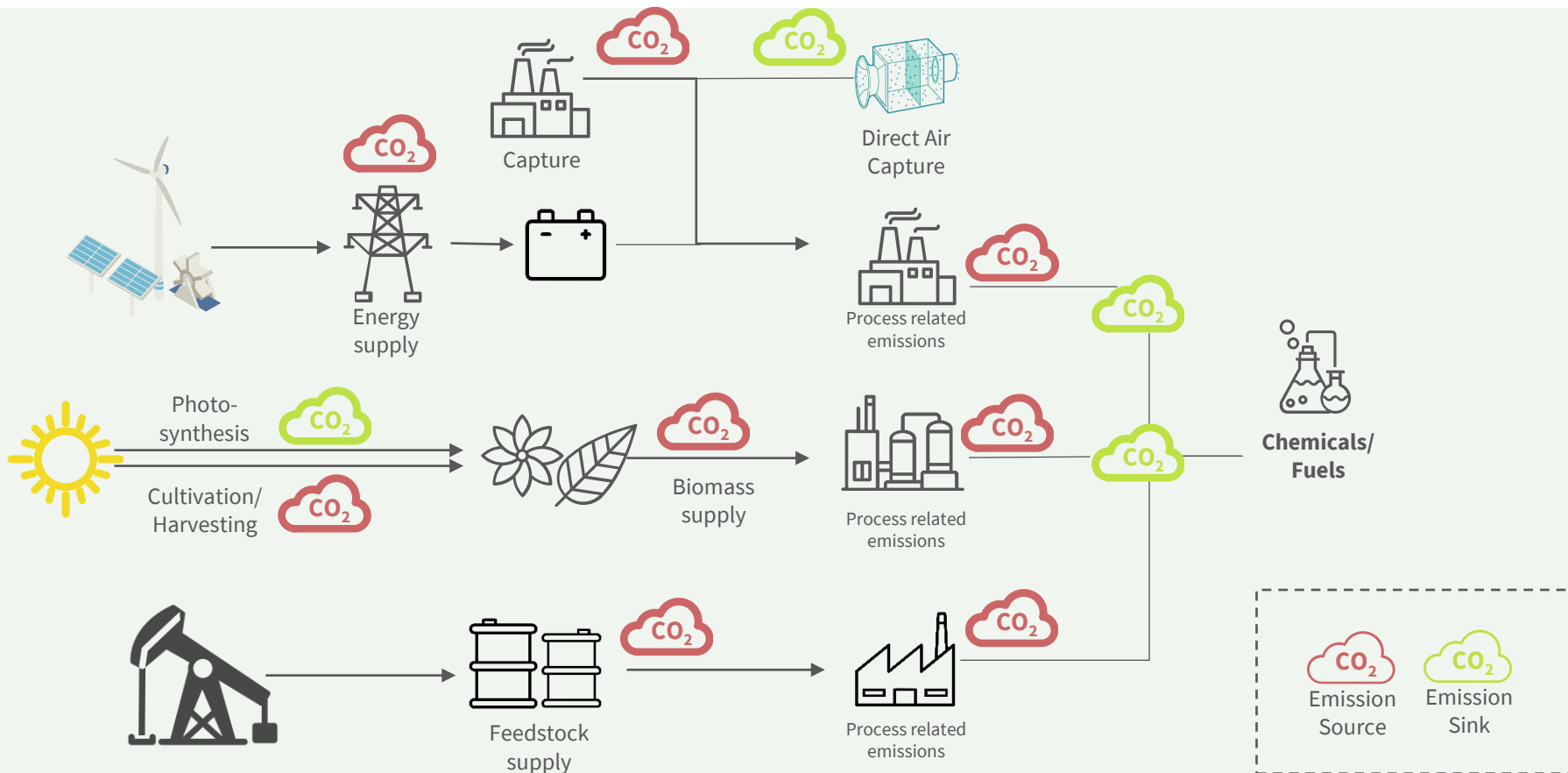
“How can you obtain the CO₂ for the production of renewable PtX ?”

Electrolysis

Carbon

PtX Production

Potential CO₂ routes – only some are sustainable!



Electrolysis

Carbon

PtXProduction

CO₂ capture by **Direct Air Capture (DAC)**

Challenge CO₂ costs:

- Biomass
(90€/tCO₂)
- Industrial emissions
(30-50€/tCO₂)
- Direct Air Capture
(150-180€/tCO₂)
 - **Currently around**
400 €/tCO₂

Direct Air Capture is the one always available and sustainable CO₂ source.

In some places biomass can be an option.



Where is hydrogen currently used? Its applications in different sectors:

HYDROGEN

Chemical Industry

Reduction Gas

Hydrogenation

Methane

Methanol

Fischer-Tropsch

Ammonia

Alcohols

Energy Applications

Natural Gas Substitute

Energy Storage

Combustion Engine

Gas Turbine

Fuel Cell

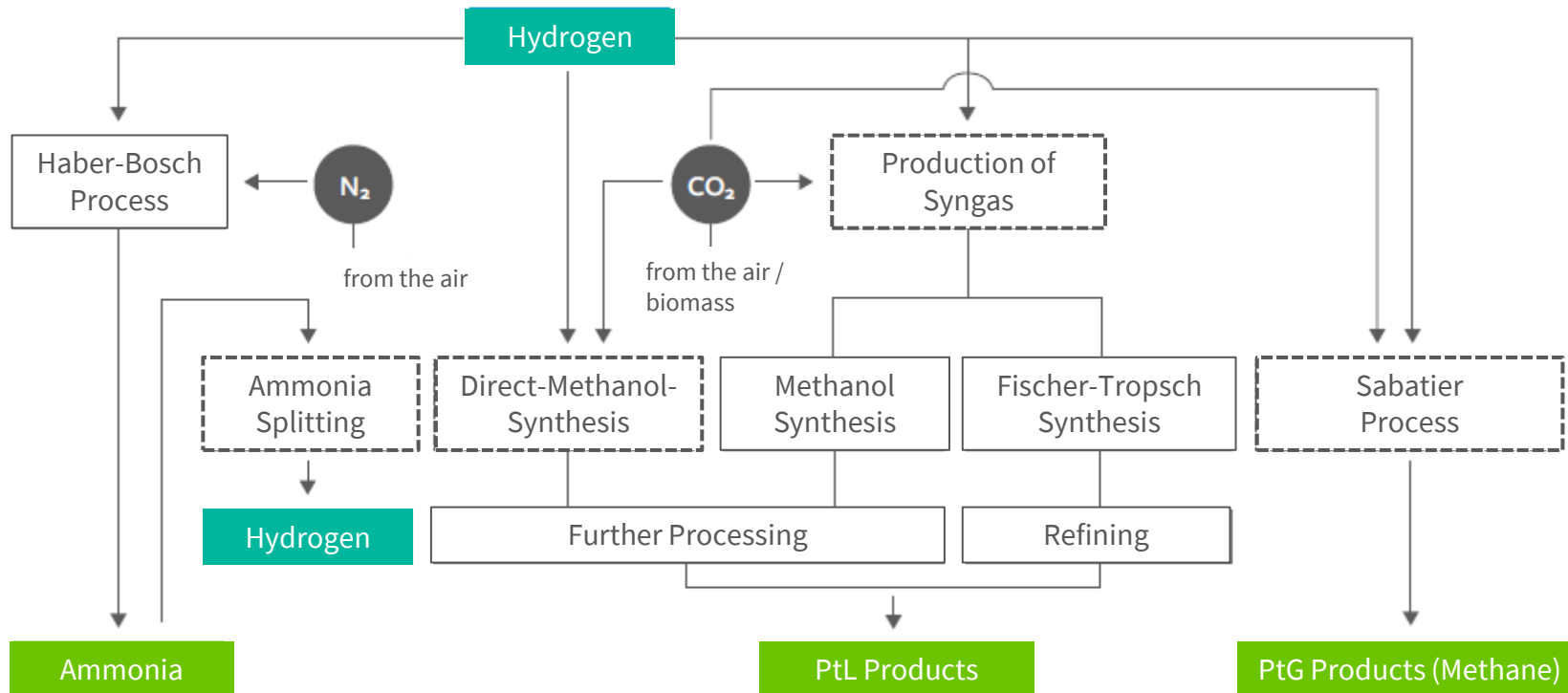
Refining

Hydroformulation

Hydrotreating

Hydrocracking

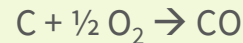
Converting power to anything with hydrogen and CO₂



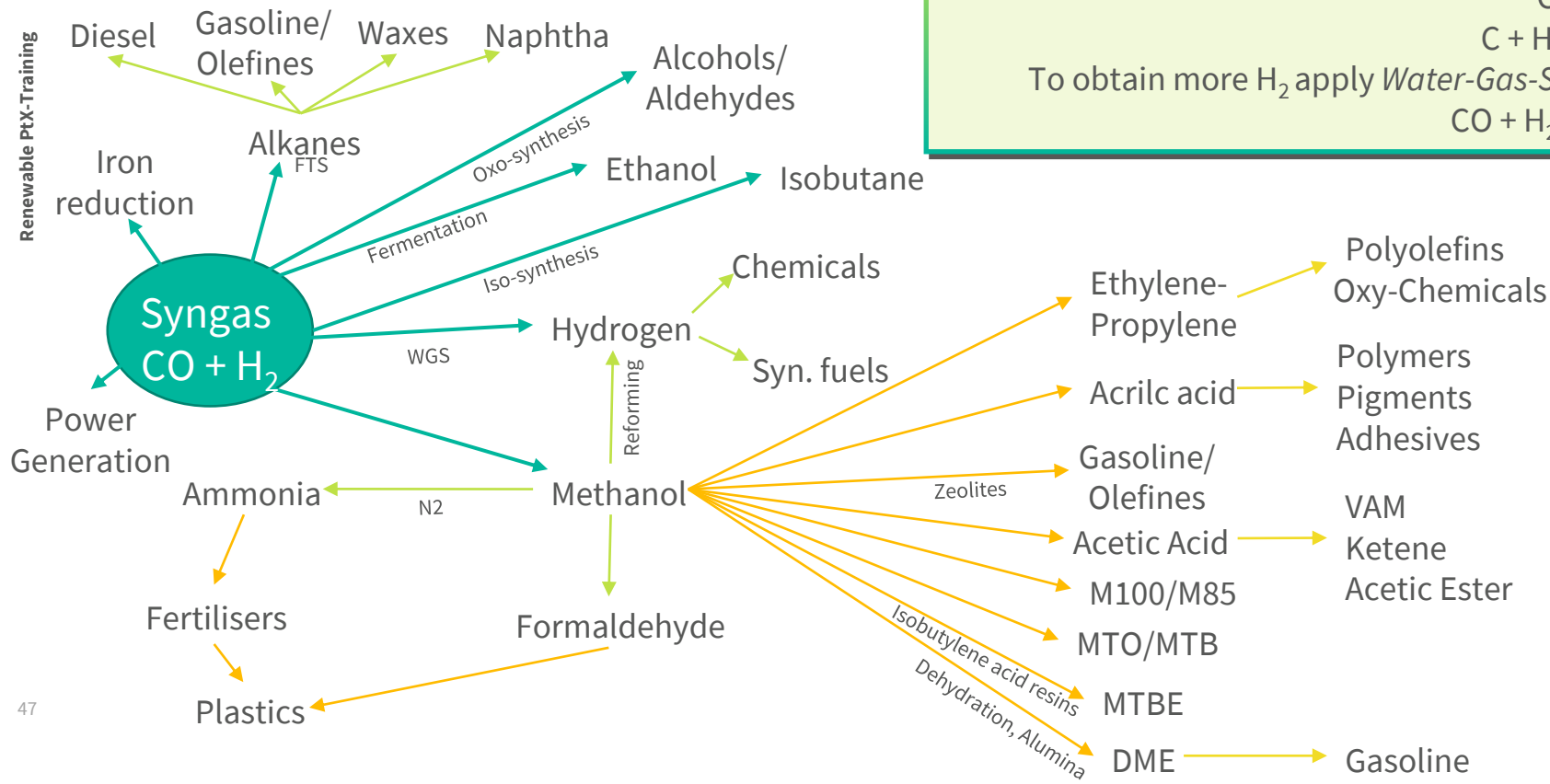
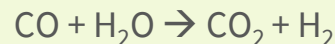
Not yet available at commercial scale

Syngas for production of hydrocarbons, alcohols, and dimethyl ether (DME)

Syngas can be obtained via Methanation or FTS



To obtain more H_2 apply *Water-Gas-Shift-Reaction*:



Different processes to produce different PtX products

1. Methanation Process

- Production of synthetic “natural gas” – CH_4
- Process: Sabatier Process, mature, commercially available, complex
- Other process in lab scale/pilot stage
- Overall efficiency around 50%
- Currently very high costs for synthetic CH_4 when using H_2

3. Methanol Process

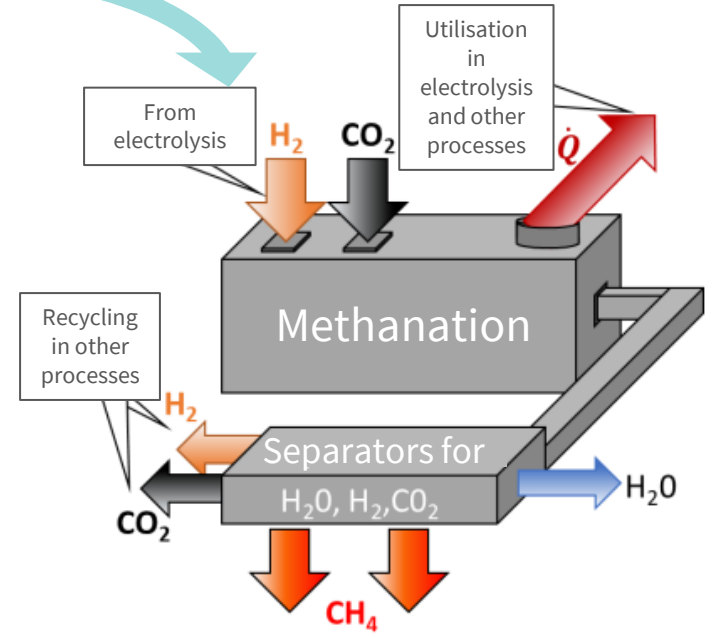
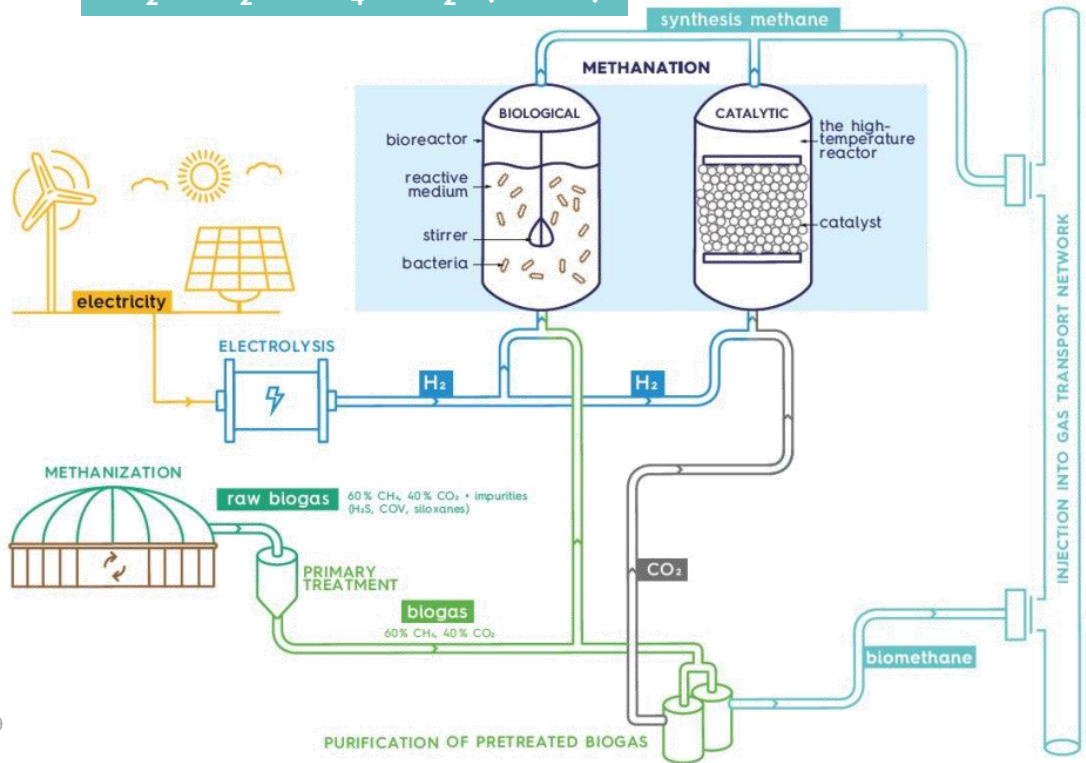
- Process to produce olefins for plastics, OME (oxymethylene ether), DME (dimethyl ether)
- Can use CO_2 and H_2 directly to produce Methanol

2. Fischer-Tropsch Synthesis

- Production of synthetic crude (C_xH_y) that is then refined to different synthetic fuels
- Gasoline, diesel, kerosene through hydro cracking, isomerisation and distillation
- Fischer-Tropsch Synthesis process is mature, commercially available for large volumes
- Overall efficiency is low (below 50%)
- Requires CO and $\text{H}_2 \Rightarrow$ requires additional process RWGS
- Smaller processes with DAC in development/pilot stage
- Very high costs for synthetic fuels when using hydrogen

4. Green Ammonia

3.1. Methanation: Production of syn. gas via Sabatier Process



Producing green methane (CH_4) with Sabatier Process at 300–400 °C and 30 bar in the presence of a nickel catalyst.

Conversion efficiency approx. 50%

3.2. Fischer-Tropsch Synthesis: Production of synthetic liquid (I)

FTS to produce syn. fuels exists on large scale and is mature.

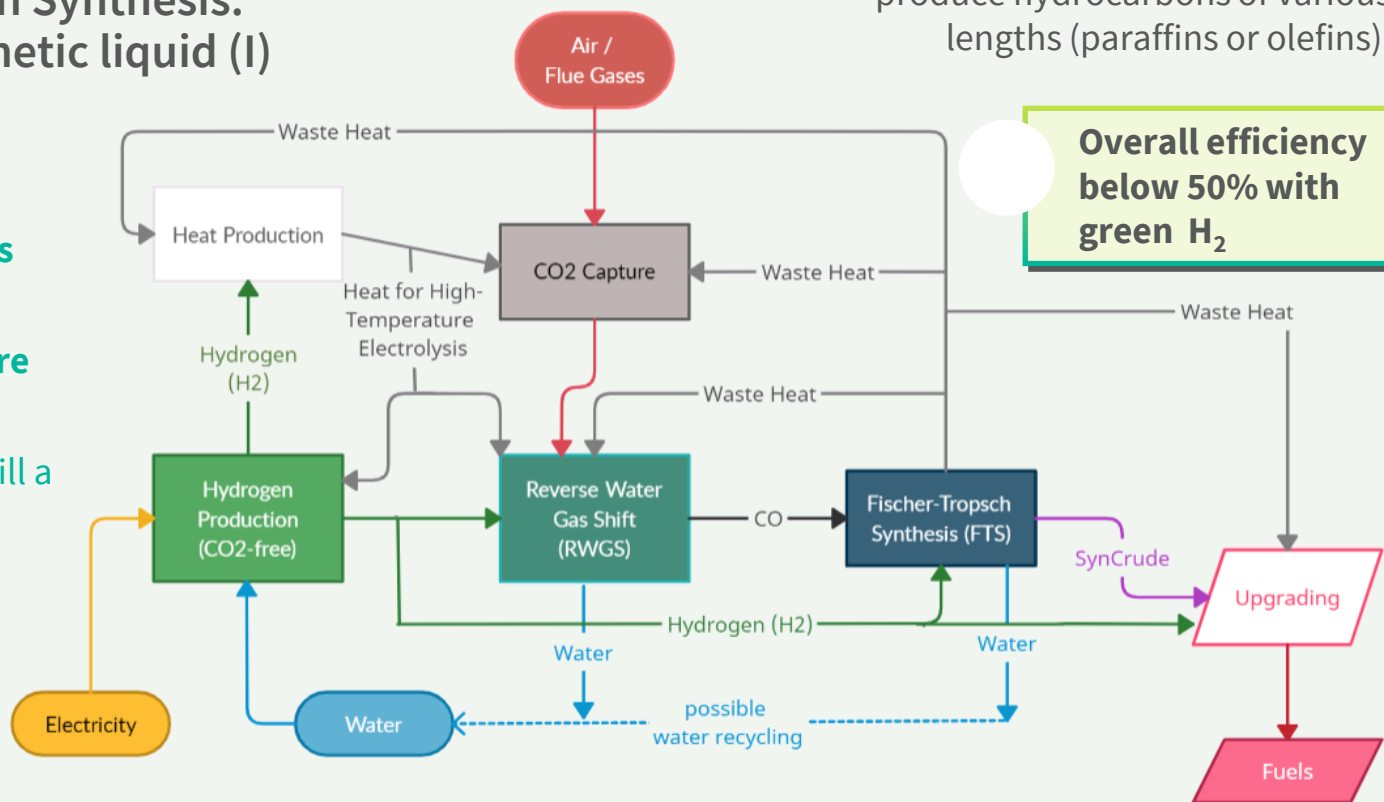
Further cost reductions are not expected.

But commercial RWGS is still a technological challenge!

Output of FTS depends on final product (conversion efficiency from CO + H₂ to final product)

- **Diesel fuel:** 230°C, 40 bar, 60 – 90%
- **Gasoline:** 340°C, 25 bar 85%

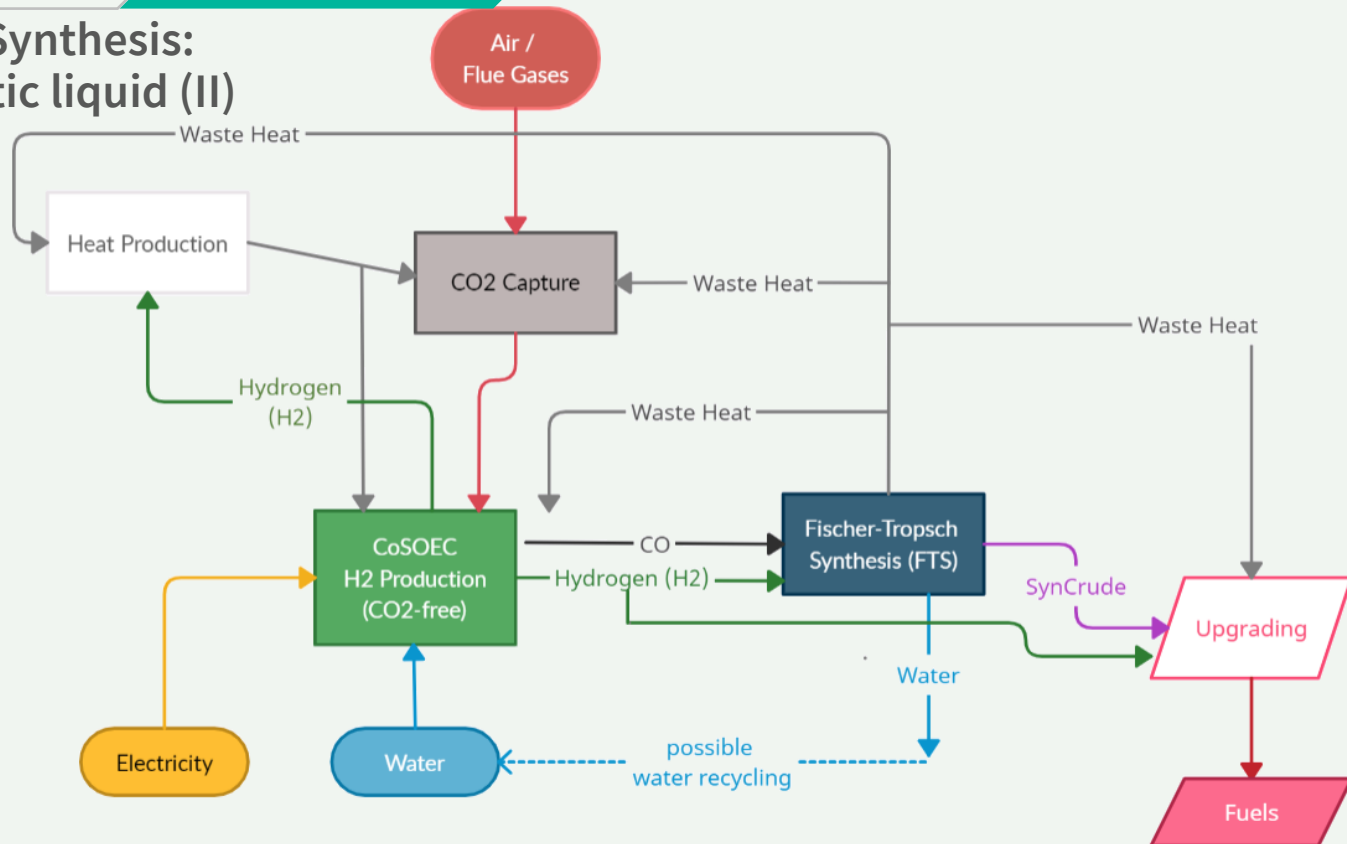
FTS reaction is one of the reactions for growing carbon chains ($-CH_2-$) to produce hydrocarbons of various lengths (paraffins or olefins).



3.2. Fischer-Tropsch Synthesis: Production of synthetic liquid (II)

FTS to produce synthetic fuels exists on large scale.

When coupled with CoSOEC, this process can be scaled to commercial level.



Electrolysis

Carbon

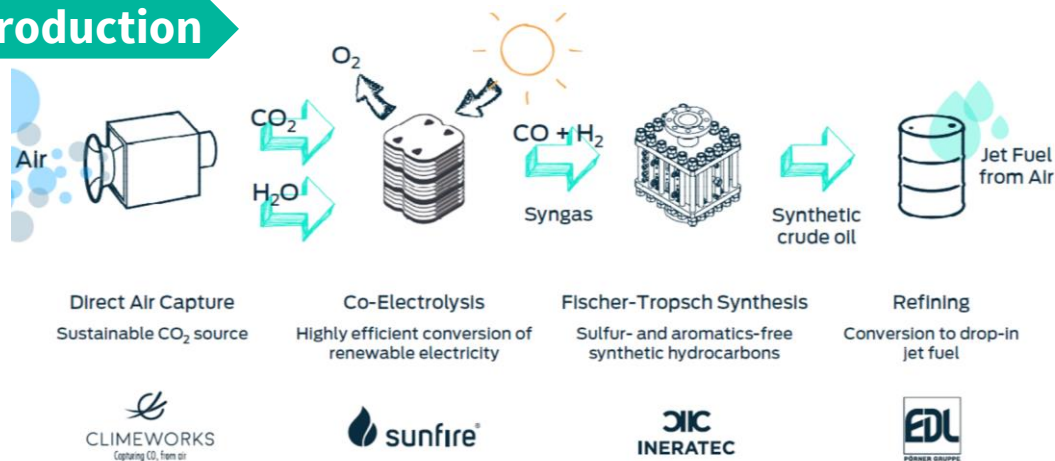
PtX Production

3.2. FTS: Decentralised PtX production with DAC (pilot stage)

Kopernikus-Project P2X

Phases in the scale-up of DAC technology

- Pilot plant currently produces **10l fuel** per day
- **200l/d plant in planning** within the Kopernikus project
- Demonstration plant in megawatt range with **1500-2000l/d production capacity**



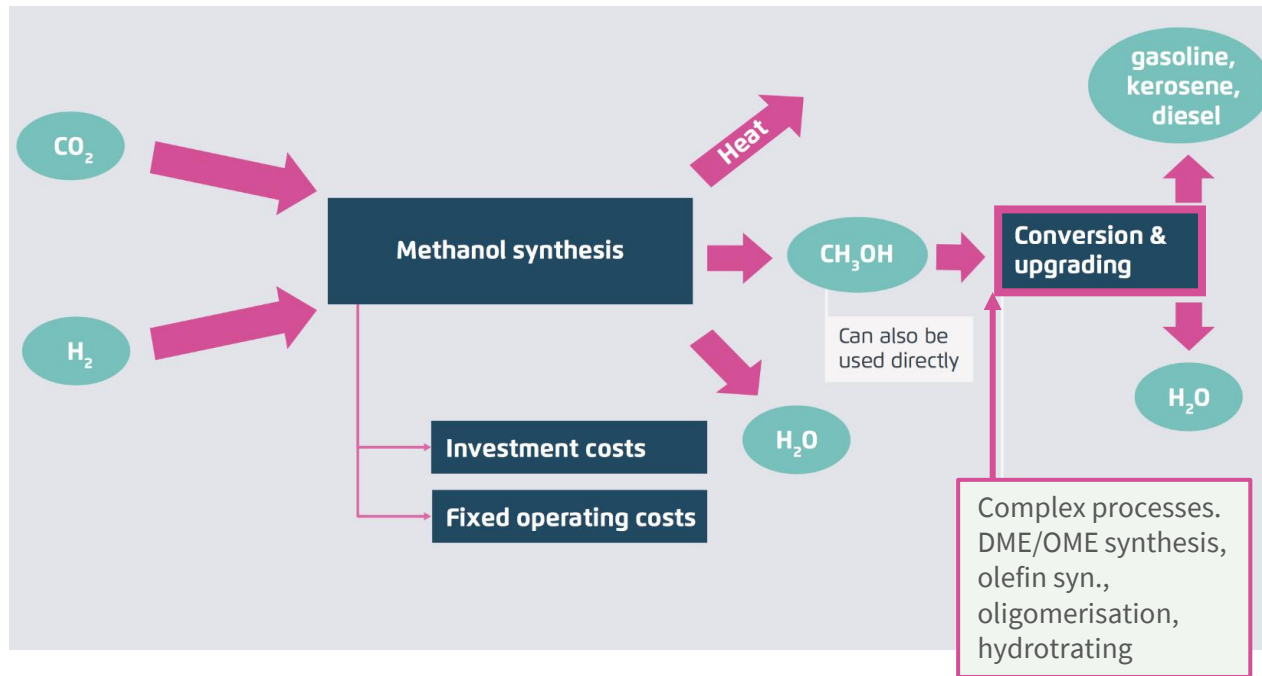
3.3. Methanol (CH_3OH) synthesis: Liquid fuel production

Future cost reductions are linked to electrolysis development and not to the synthesis process itself.

Methanol synthesis is a mature process. Further cost reductions are not expected in large scale.

Methanol process at 250°C , 75 bar, efficiency 80%.

If one uses DAC and RE power costs are 5-times more higher than from fossil fuel 100\$/t to 200\$/t.

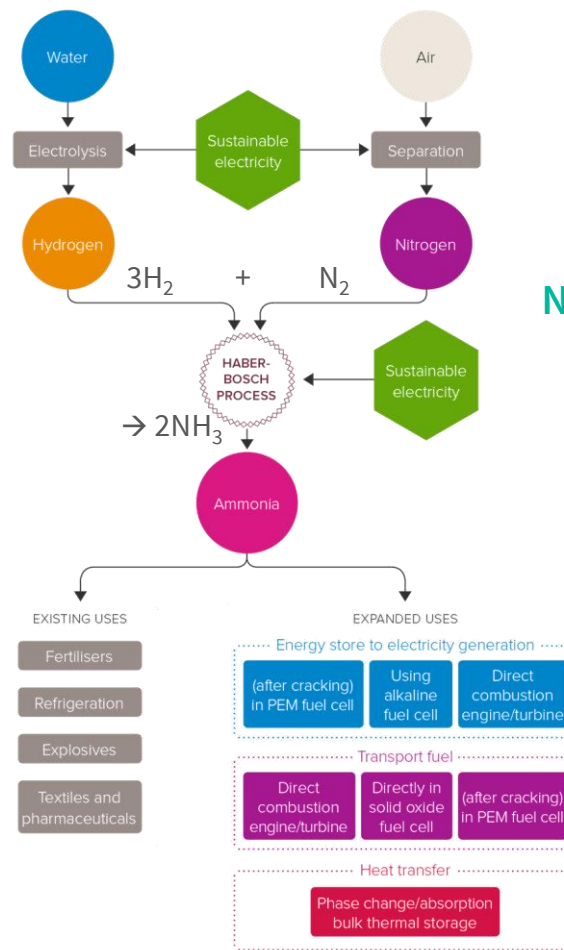


3.4. Green ammonia

- **Extraction of N_2** from air with a **cryogenic air separation unit (ASU)** and **electric power**
- Green NH_3 is produced from green hydrogen (H_2) and nitrogen (N_2) via the industrial **Haber-Bosch process** (high technology maturity)

How can green NH_3 be used?

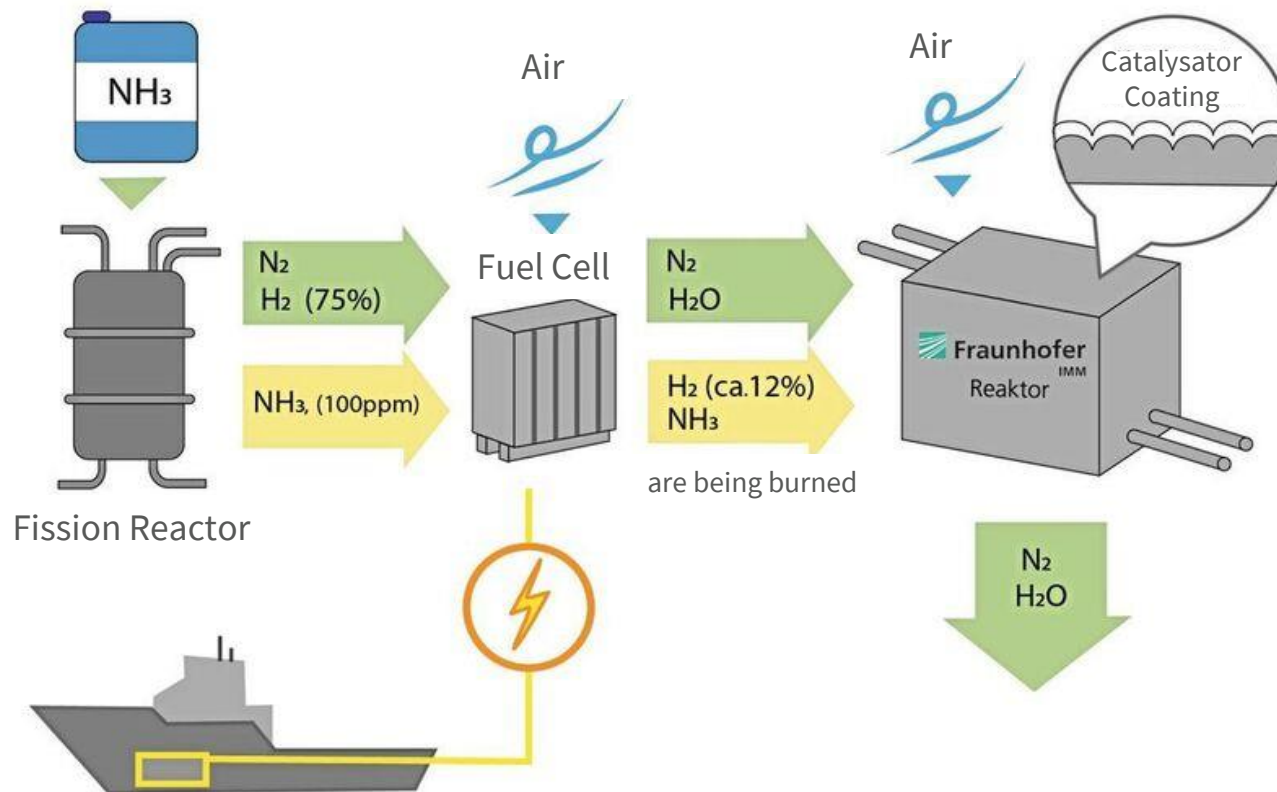
- As **energy carrier** of H_2 to enable transportation (higher energy density compared to H_2)
- As **fuel in fuel cells**
- or **directly in combustion engines**
- And to **decarbonise the fertiliser production**



Big advantage:
 NH_3 provides a pathway to fully CO_2 neutral electricity generation + storage; not limited by scarcity of materials or storage space.

Ammonia splitting in a fuel cell to produce power

– if catalysator used is only water and N_2 as exhaust possible



Electrolysis

Carbon

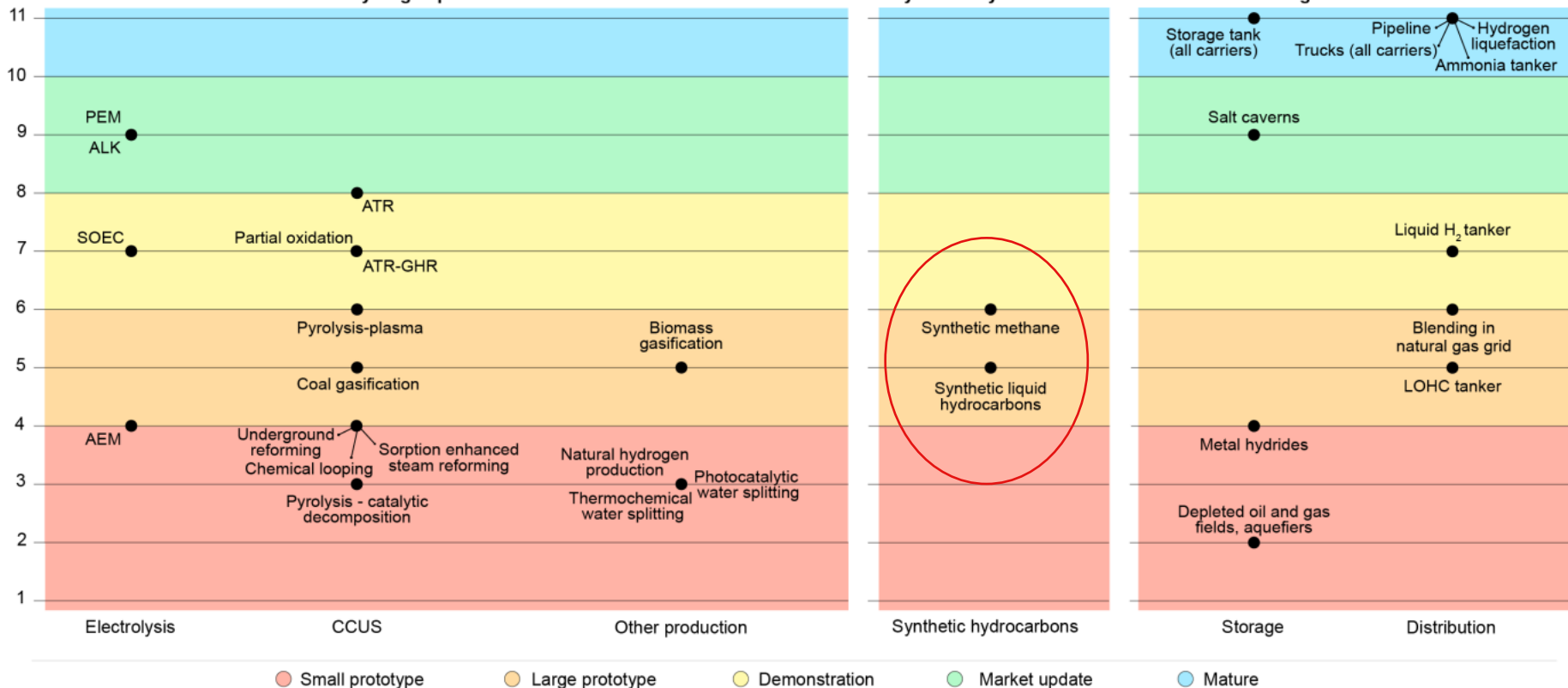
PtX Production

Technology readiness levels of key PtX production, storage and distribution technologies

Low-carbon hydrogen production

Synthetic hydrocarbons

Storage and distribution



MODULE 2: Key messages – 1/2

Hydrogen Production

- There are **various ways of producing H₂**, designated in colors
- **H₂ is the core of PtX**, converting electric power to other forms of energy carriers. Diverse H₂ production pathways that can **replace fossil fuels across many sectors**
- **Emissions for blue H₂ can be higher than those from natural gas**, methane leakage must be considered!

Electrolysis

- (Green) Hydrogen and oxygen are derived from the **electrolysis** of water using (renewable) energy. **Water electrolysis is therefore the base technology** for the PtX process

Carbon Capture

- If you have CO₂ and water you can convert power to nearly everything. However, **green CO₂ is crucial** to decarbonize synthetic fuels production. In the long run, **CO₂ has to come from DAC or biomass**
- **Cost reduction is needed**

MODULE 2: Key messages – 2/2

PtX product sourcing, production of:

- H_2 is used as product and energy input in chemical industry, as substitute in energy applications and as material input for further refining, **mainly PtX (e-fuels and methanol) or ammonia**
- There are **different processes to produce different PtX products**
- **E-fuels** like Kerosine, Diesel, gasoline are **produced via Fischer Tropsch Synthesis process**, which requires a syngas (CO and H_2)
- An electrolyser produces H_2 and if you acquire CO_2 from DAC or Biomass you need an additional RWGS process to produce the syngas (CO and H_2), which can go into FT.
- **Co-Electrolyzes produces CO and H_2 and offers a direct way to produce PtX** via Fischer Tropsch Synthesis.
- If you want to **produce ammonia in a Haber Bosch process**, you need H_2 and N_2 from the air. **No CO_2 is required.**





Break out group discussion

“Which PtX
processes do you
consider for your
country?”

“What could be
possible PtX
applications for your
country in the
future?”

“What seems the
biggest challenge to
establishing PtX plants
in your country?”

Module 3

Renewable PtX Economics



Production Cost of Green Hydrogen

- Country-specific developments (RE cost, regulations)
- Green vs. blue hydrogen



Renewable Energy Generation Cost Development

- RE costs worldwide (wind, PV) vs.
- Traditional energy sources cost development
- RE potential worldwide



Electrolyser Cost Development

- Alkaline and PEM
- Dependencies



Scale-Up and Outlook for Hydrogen and PtX Production

- Green hydrogen
- Green ammonia
- Synthetic fuels etc.



Test your knowledge

“What are the biggest challenges to reduce production costs of green H₂?”



1. Production Cost of Green Hydrogen

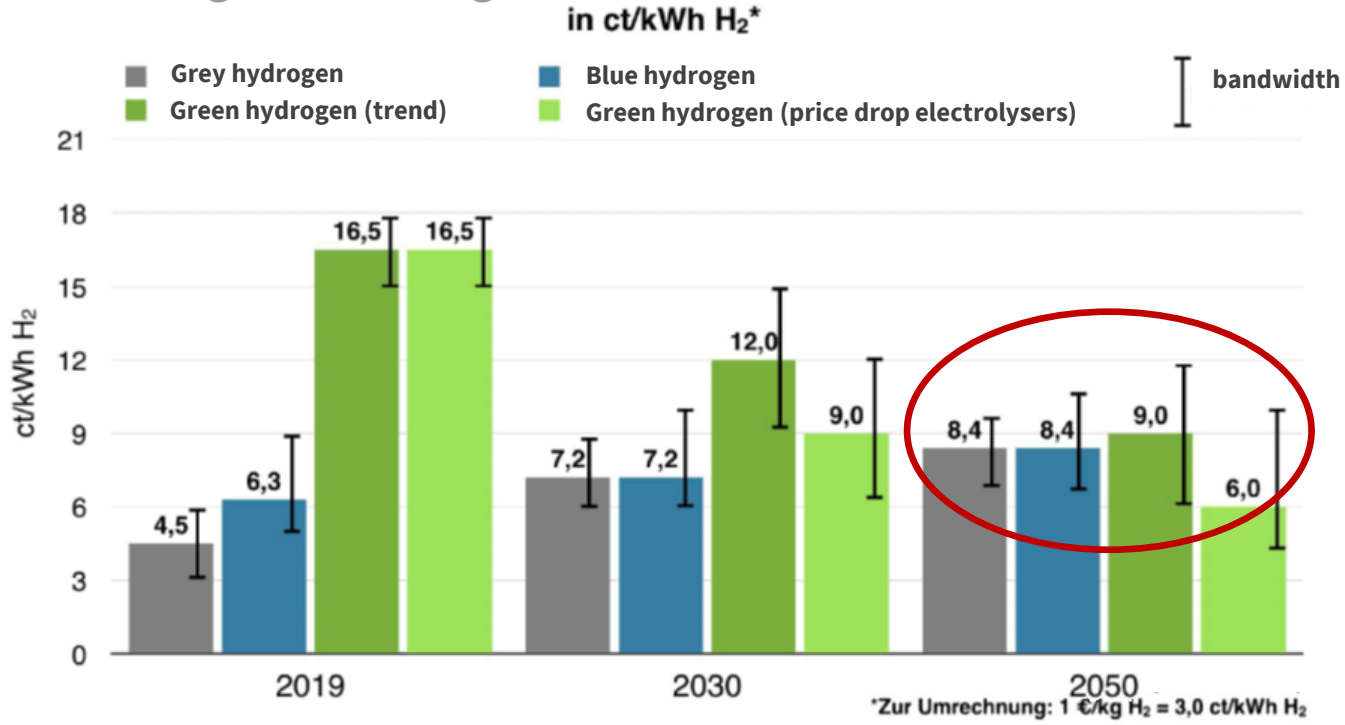
It depends on some key factors

1. Green Hydrogen Production Cost

Hydrogen production costs: now and in 2050 in Germany
Key figures and trends showing the challenge we face!

Assumption for CO₂ price in Germany:
2030: 100 Euro/t
2050: 100 Euro/t
+ Carbon Import tax 100 Euro/t

6 ct/kWh H₂ = 2 Euro/kg H₂

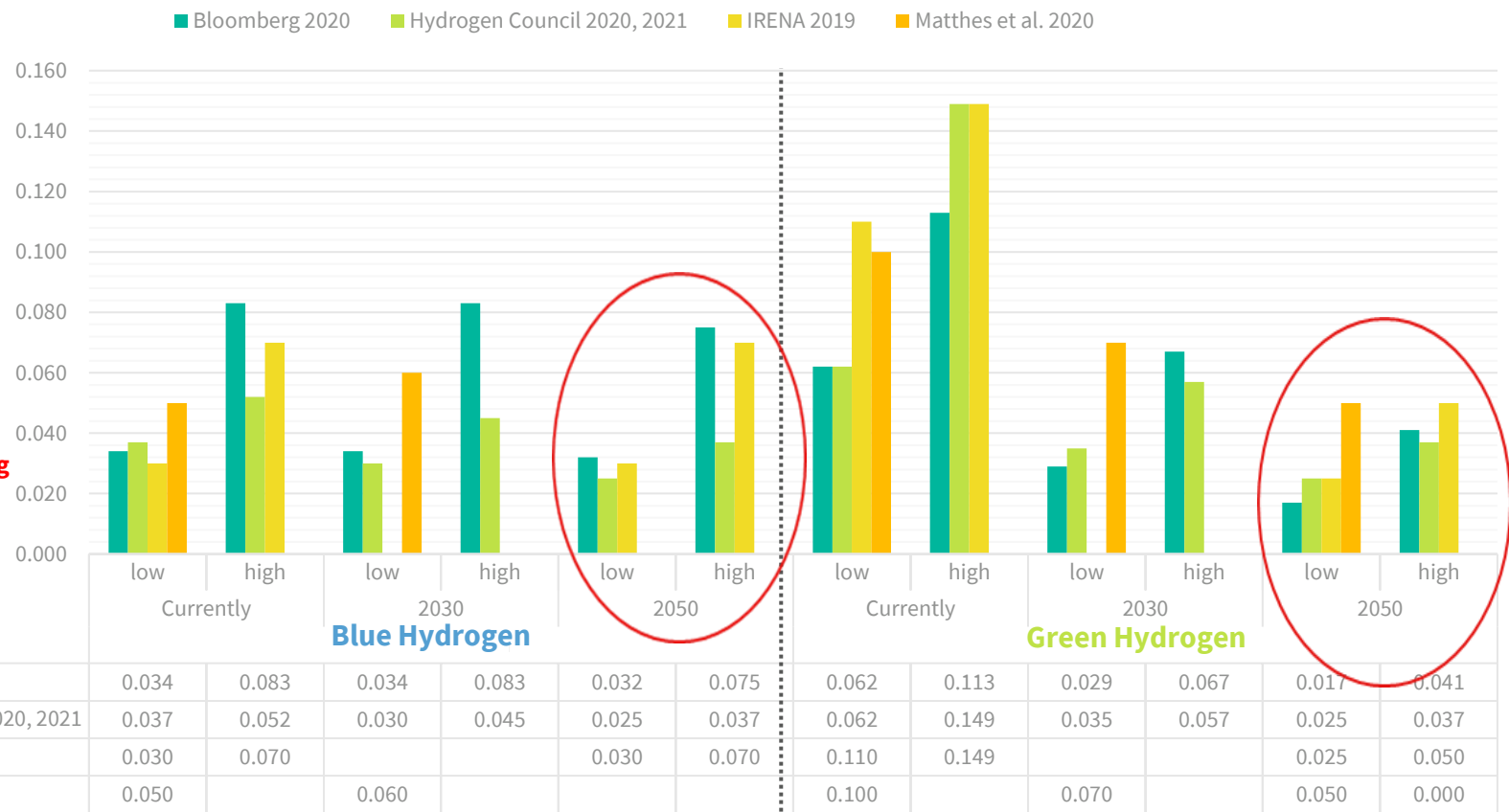


1. Green Hydrogen Production Cost

Production costs for green and blue hydrogen (in € /KWh₂)



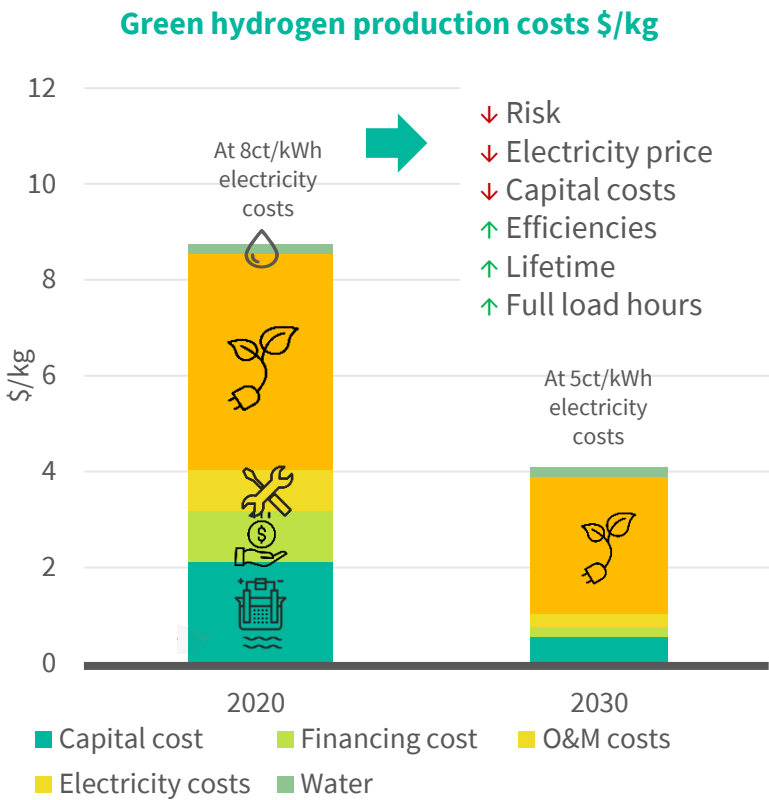
0.02 €/kWh = 0.66 €/kg



Source: Sachverständigenrat für Umweltfragen, Wasserstoff im Klimaschutz: Klasse statt Masse, June 2021, p.22/fig.5.

1. Green Hydrogen Production Cost

How to reduce production costs? Key elements and their trends



CAPEX: capital expense for the electrolyser (including the balance of plant)



Finance & risk: Interest rates depend on financing mechanism and perceived risk of project



Operation and Maintenance (O&M): Often paid as Service-Level Agreement (SLA) or warranties → deferred capex costs for replacements of stacks or other parts (1-3% of capex annually)



Electricity costs (either as part of project (CAPEX) or as purchase agreement (OPEX; incl. taxes, levies, surcharges...))



Water costs negligible

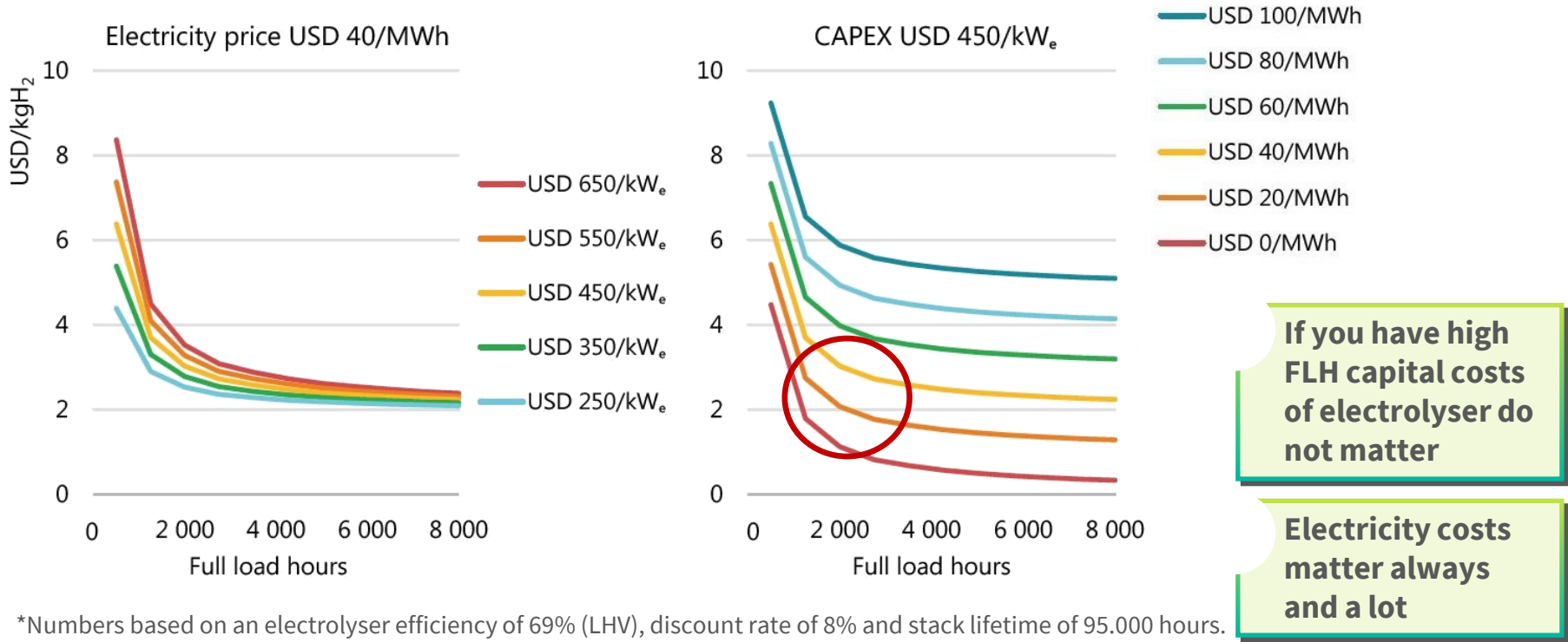
Efficiency = Output GH₂ per input electricity
The higher the efficiency, the lower the costs per kg GH₂.

Lifetime: Capital costs can be spread over the GH₂ produced over lifetime

Full load hours (availability of renewable electricity) define the utilisation of the plant

1. Green Hydrogen Production Cost

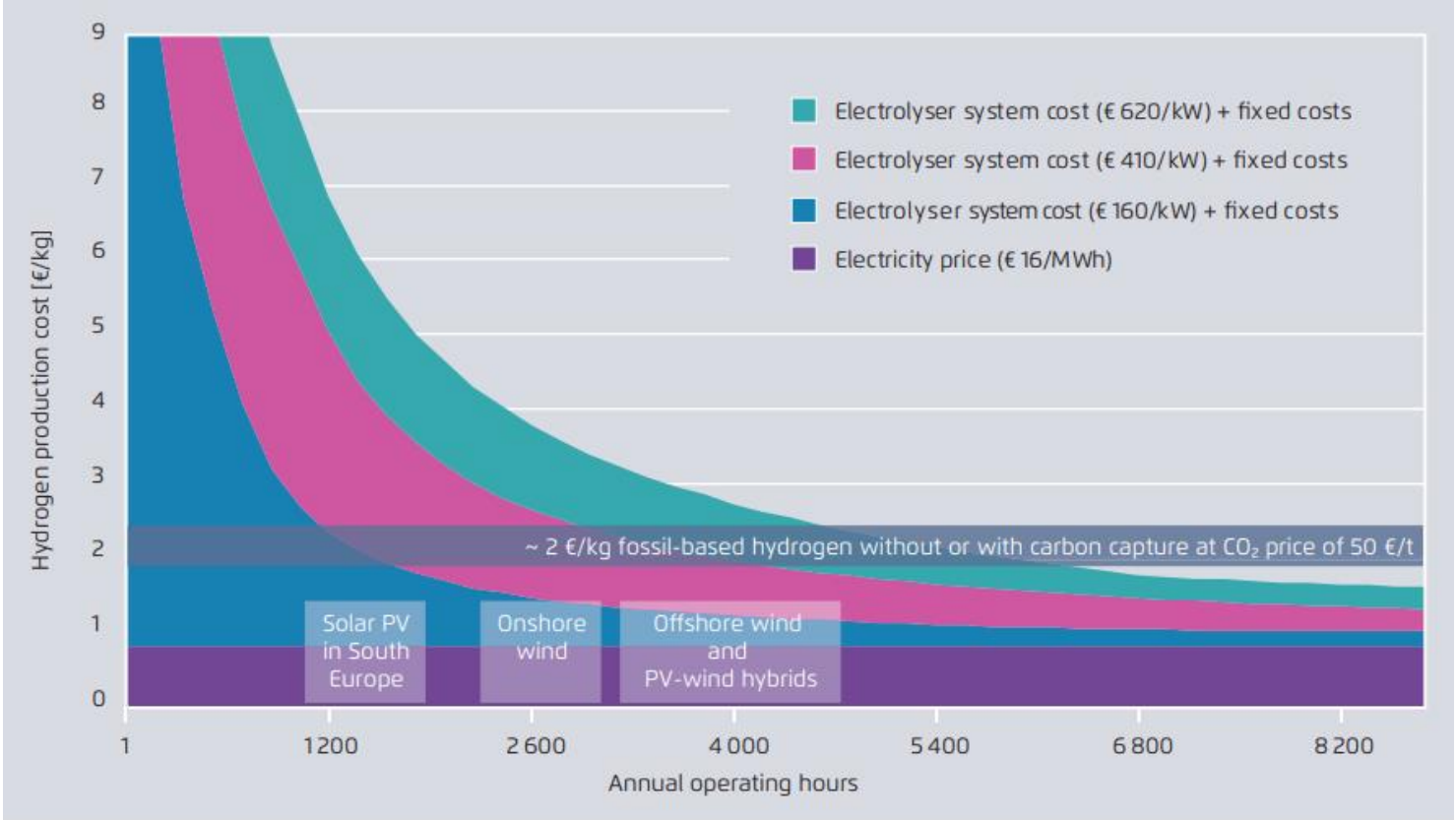
Impact of CAPEX, Full load hours (FLH) and electricity cost



*Numbers based on an electrolyser efficiency of 69% (LHV), discount rate of 8% and stack lifetime of 95.000 hours.

1. Green Hydrogen Production Cost

Renewable hydrogen production costs depending on operating hours

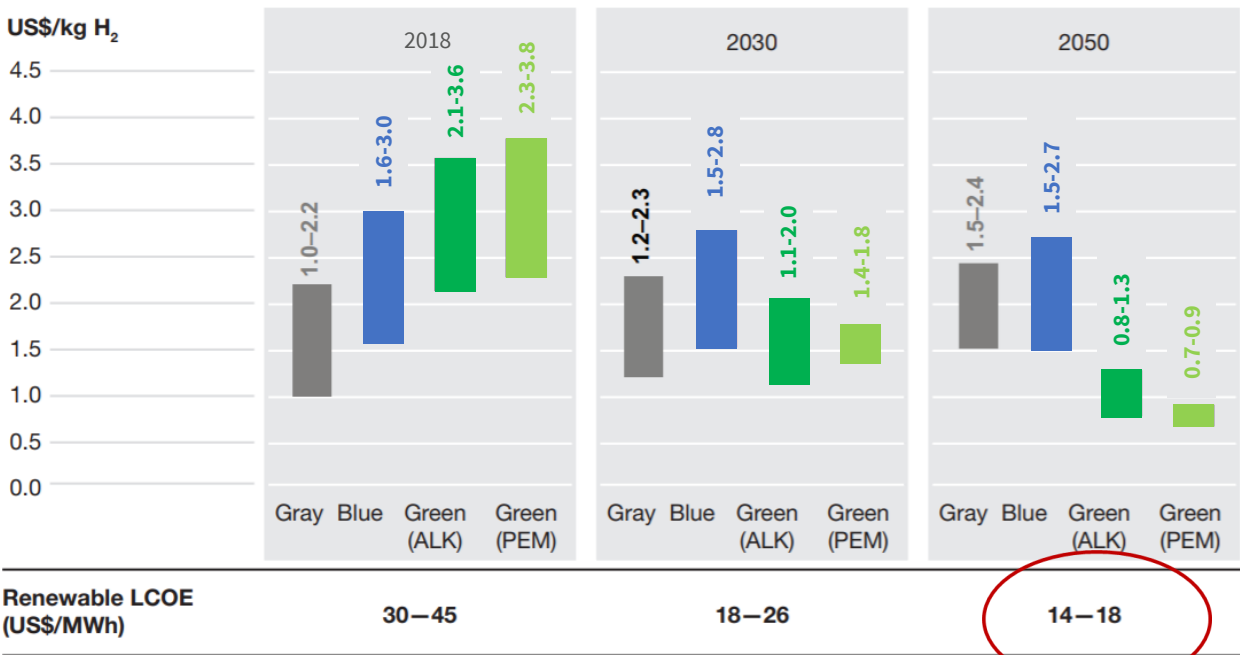


Source: Agora Energiewende, Making renewable hydrogen cost-competitive, 2021, p.12/fig.2.

1. Green Hydrogen Production Cost

Worldwide expectations look much better

Hydrogen cost development by production type



Green H₂ will become cost competitive compared to grey and blue H₂!

It depends mainly on LCOE of renewable power

1 US\$/ kg in 2050 or much earlier is achievable.

- Notes:
- ALK: alkaline water
 - LCOE: levelised cost of energy
 - MWh: megawatt hour
 - PEM: polymer electrolyte membrane
- 1 Cost assumptions based on greenfield projects, excl. cost for buildings and building cooling requirements.

1. Green Hydrogen Production Cost

What makes up costs of green hydrogen?

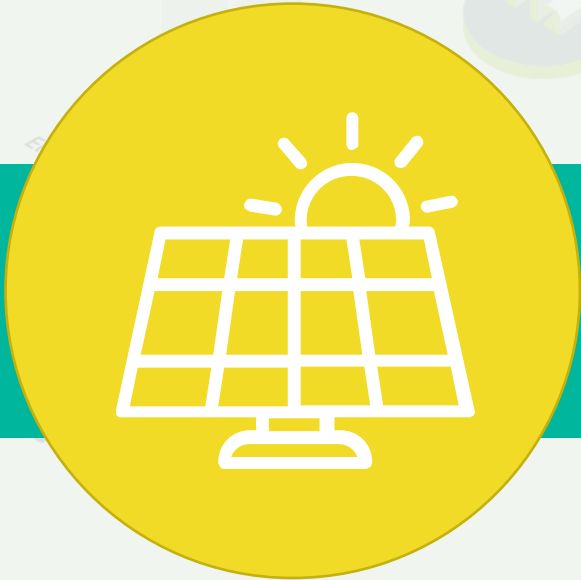
Four main parameters are critical for economic viability of H₂ production from renewables

→ **Country specific evaluation required**

1. **Cost of renewable electricity** used in the process (levelised cost of electricity: LCOE),
2. **Electrolyser capital expenditure**,
3. **Number of operating hours** (load factor) on a yearly basis (IRENA 2019),
4. **Transport and storage** considerations.

- **Full load hours (FLH): higher → more economic/ high load factors**
- **CAPEX:** decrease with scale + time
- **OPEX: constant**
- **WACC: lower perceived risk → lower WACC**
- **Electrolyser efficiency:** increase with scale + time
- **Desalination (cost negligible)**

→ **We need cheap and plenty of dedicated RE power!**



2. Renewable Energy Generation Cost Development



Test your knowledge

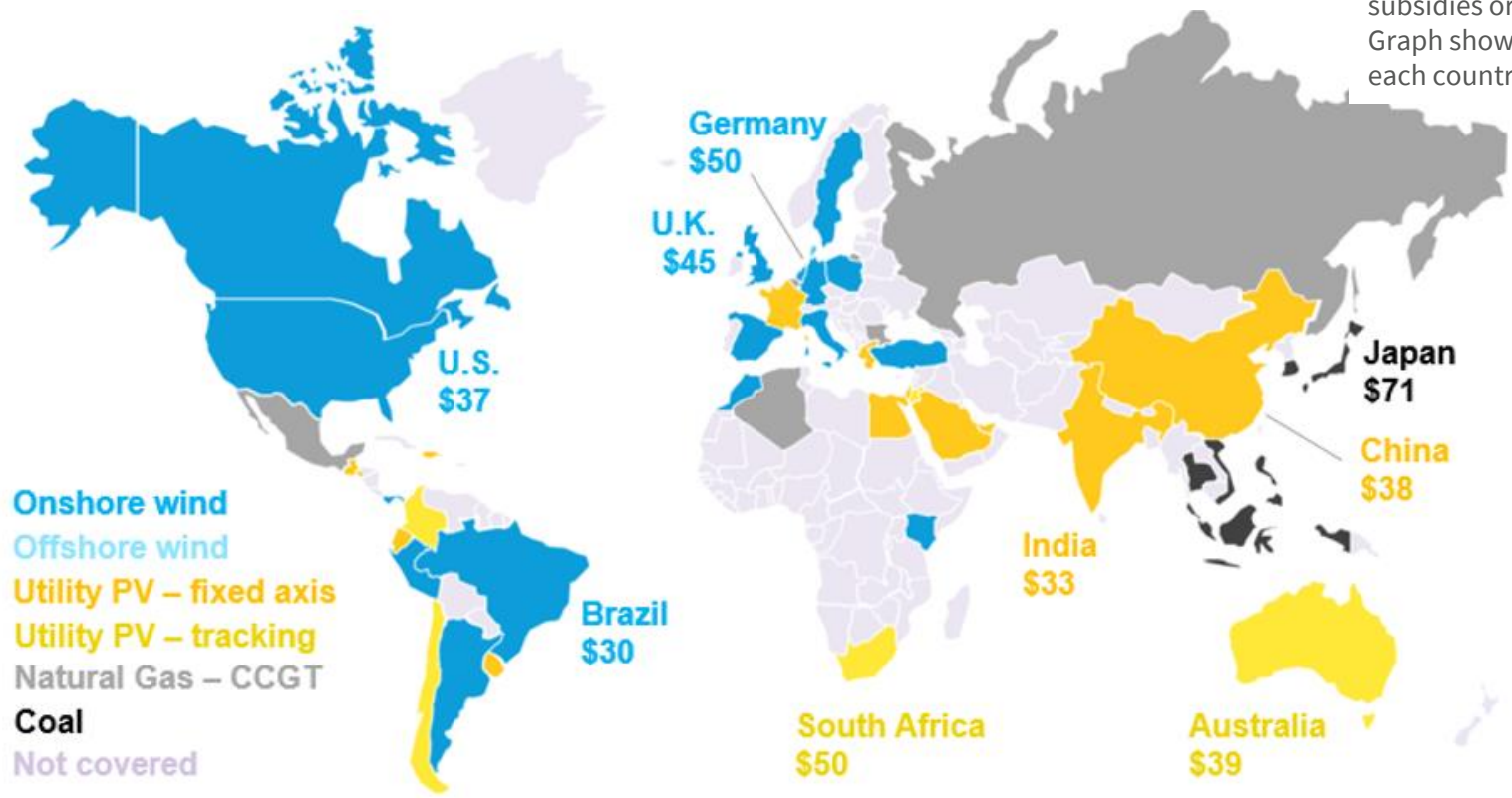
“What are the expected future LCOE for PV power in 2030 in your country *in US\$/kWh?*”

“What are current lowest power purchase cost/agreements for large scale PV power worldwide *in US\$/kWh?*”

“What are expected future LCOE for wind power in your country for 2030 *in US\$/kWh?*”

2. RE Cost Development

Cheapest source of new bulk electricity generation by country, in early 2020



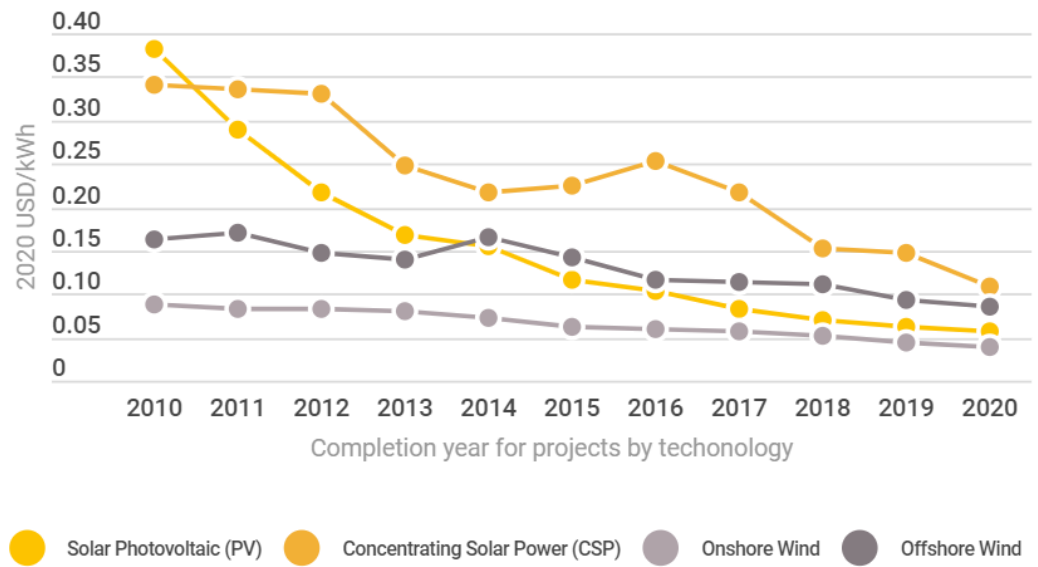
Note: LCOE calculations exclude subsidies or tax-credits. Graph shows benchmark LCOE for each country in USD per MWh.

2. RE Cost Development

Cost development of solar and wind

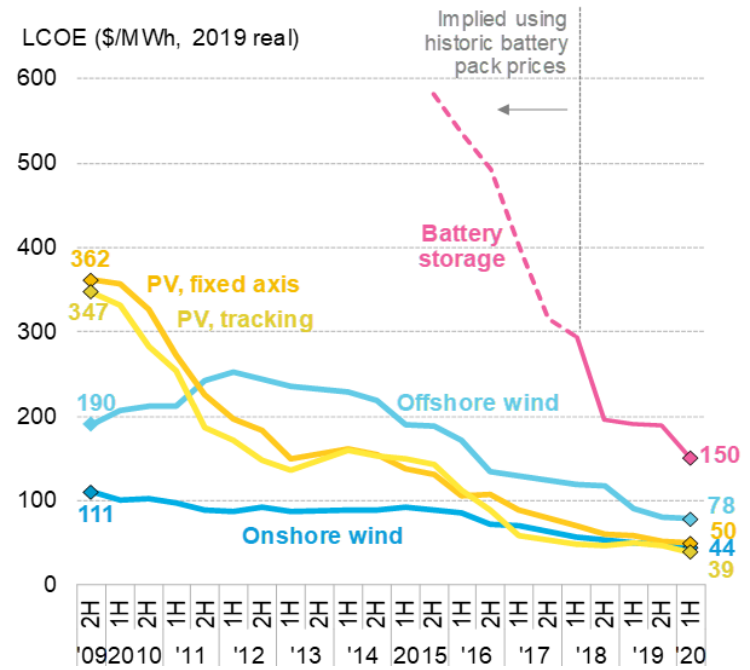


Solar and wind power technologies became the economic backbone of the energy transition



Source: Renewable Market Watch, Renewable Power Generation Costs Reduction - 2020 Overview in the Recent Study of IRENA Released in 2021 with LCOE of Renewable Energy Technologies, 2020.

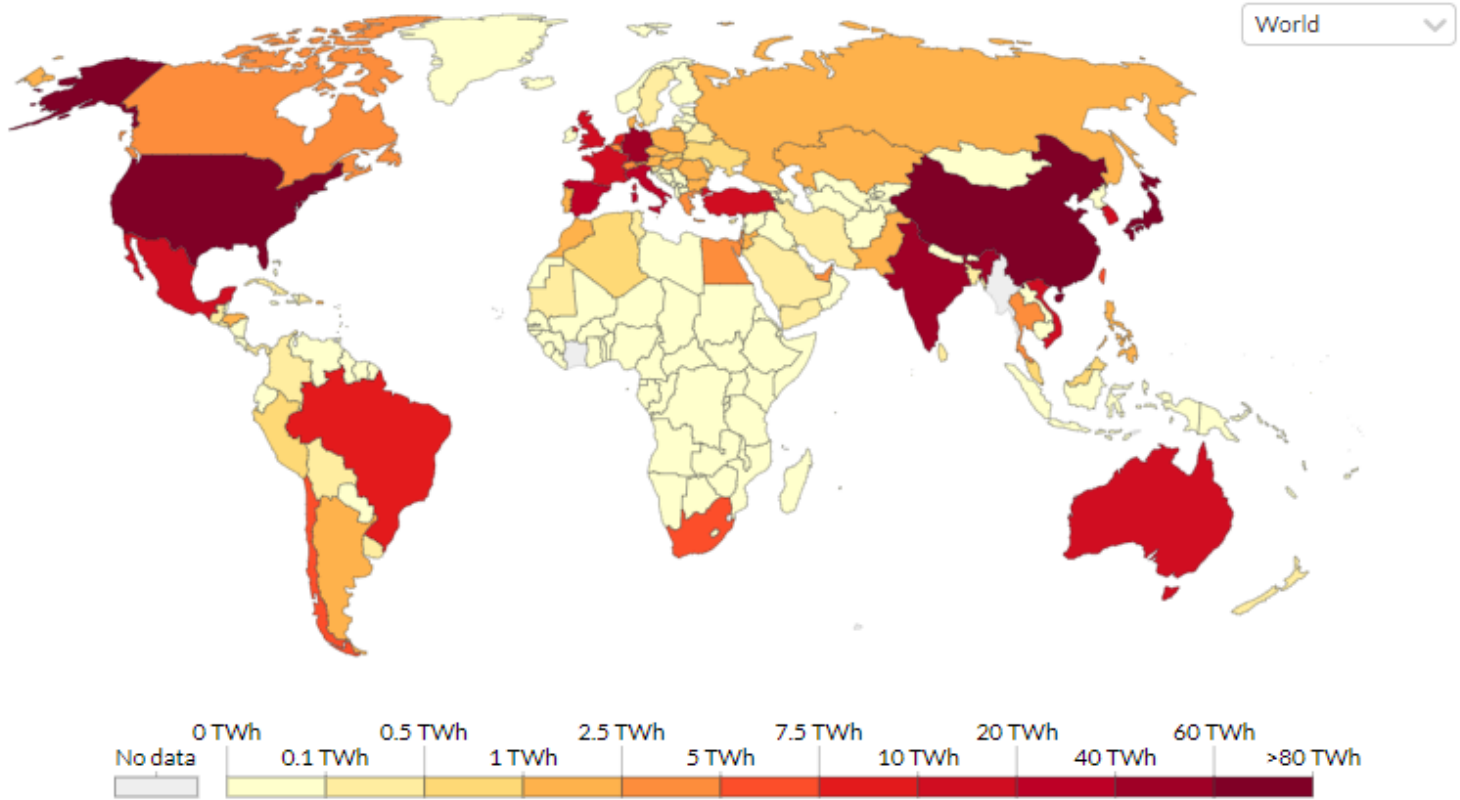
Global LCOE benchmarks of PV, wind and batteries



Source: BloombergNEF, Scale-up of Solar and Wind Puts Existing Coal, Gas at Risk, 2020.

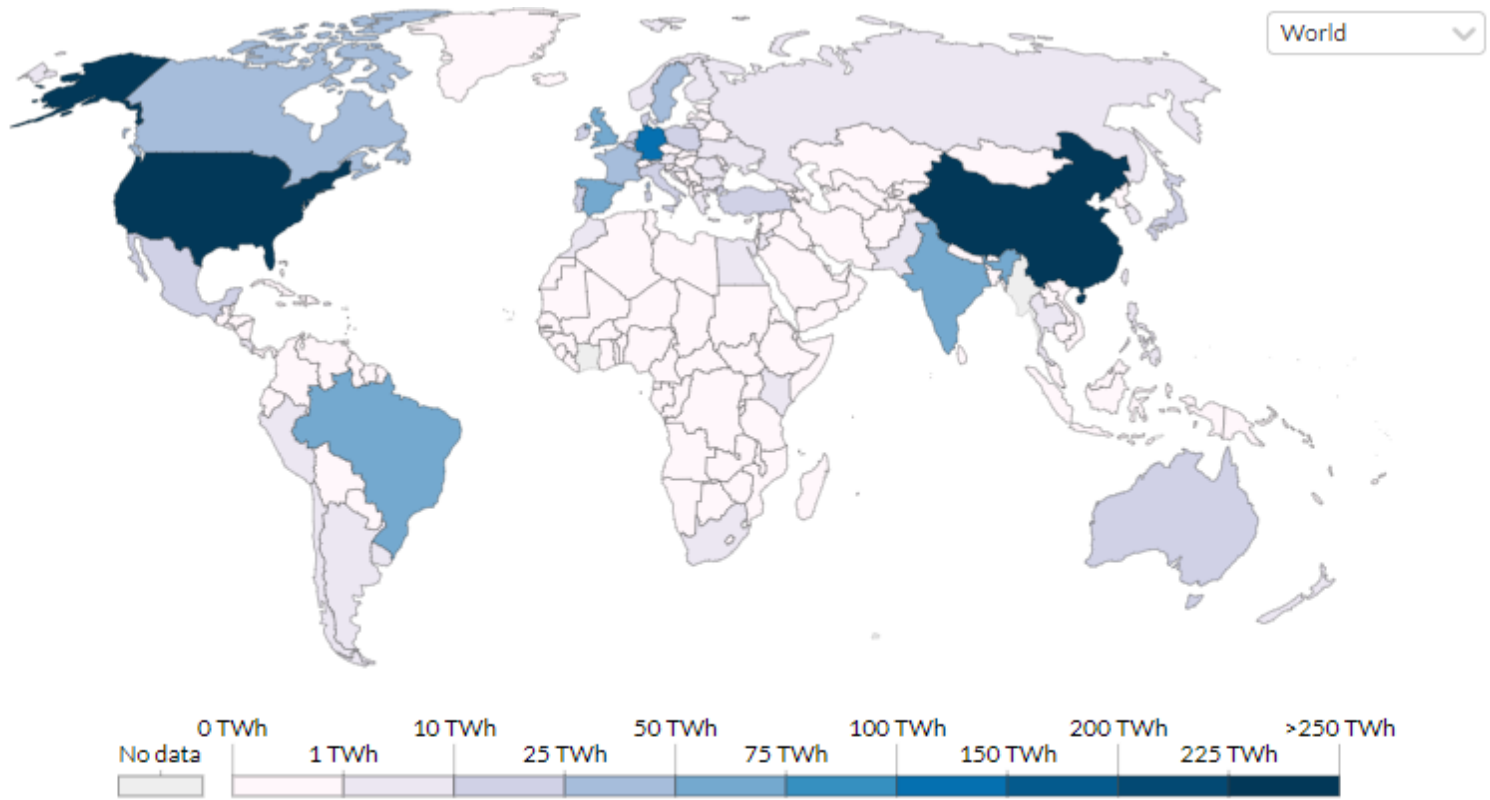
2. RE Development

Solar power generation, 2020 (in TWh/year)



2. RE Development

Wind energy generation, 2020 (in TWh/year)



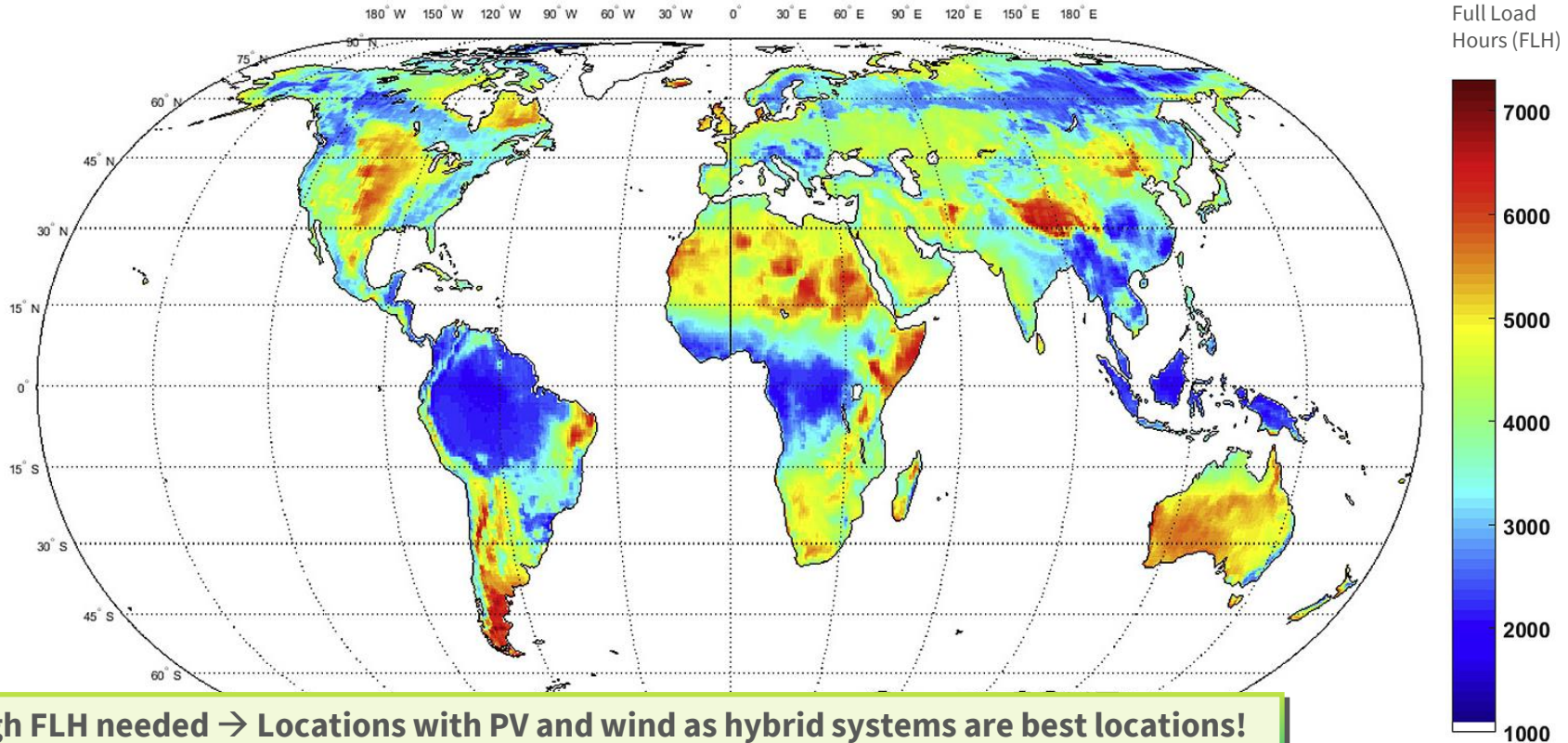
Source: Our World in Data based on BP Statistical Review of World Energy & Ember (2021)

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Source: Hannah Richie/Max Roser (Our World in Data), Renewable Energy - Wind energy generation, 2020.

2. RE Cost Development

→ Full load hours matter



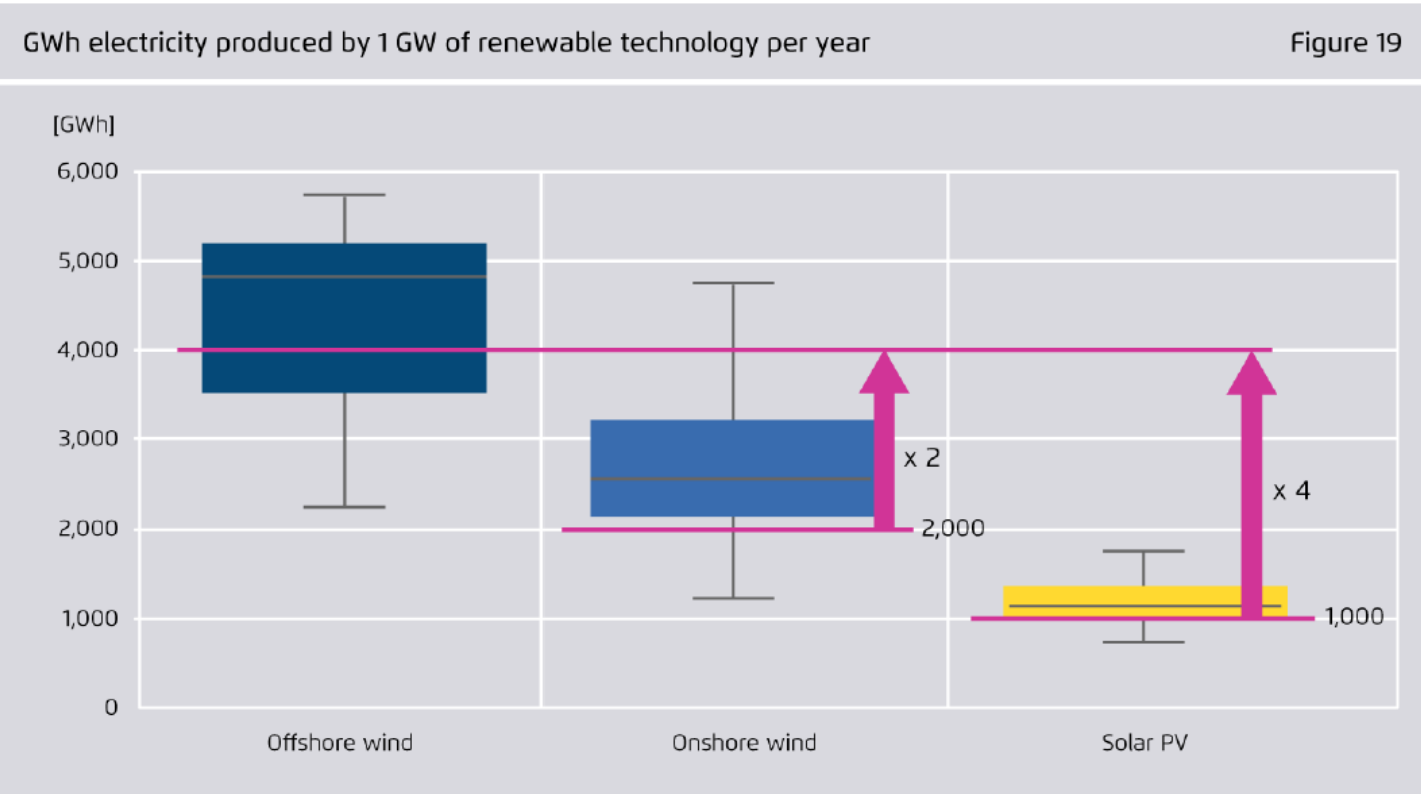
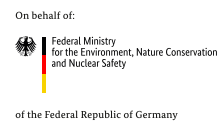
High FLH needed → Locations with PV and wind as hybrid systems are best locations!

Also: locations with large hydropower and geothermal potential

2. RE Cost Development

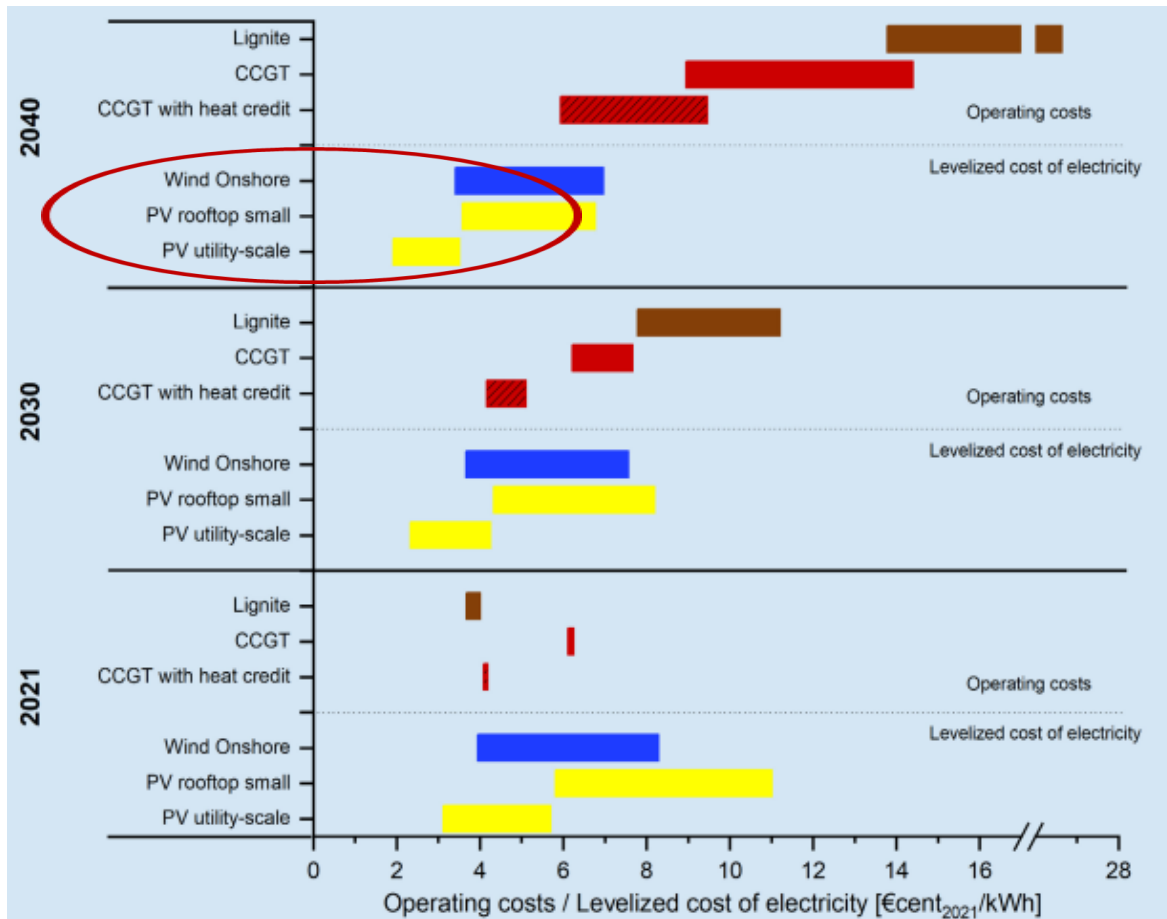
Each GW electrolysis must come with 1-4 GW of additional renewables power!

→ We need massive deployment of renewables!



2. RE Cost Development

Cost development of power sources in Germany



Comparison of **LCOE of newly installed** PV and onshore wind power plants with **operating costs of existing** lignite-fired and CCGT power plants (in Germany).

Note: Cost of lignite and gas power increase due to carbon pricing

$$\text{LCOE} = \frac{\text{Sum of costs over lifetime (CAPEX + OPEX)}}{\text{sum of electricity produced over lifetime}}$$



Open discussion/ Break out groups

“What are the biggest
challenges to reduce
RE power costs in
your country?”
What shall be done?



3. Electrolyser Cost Development

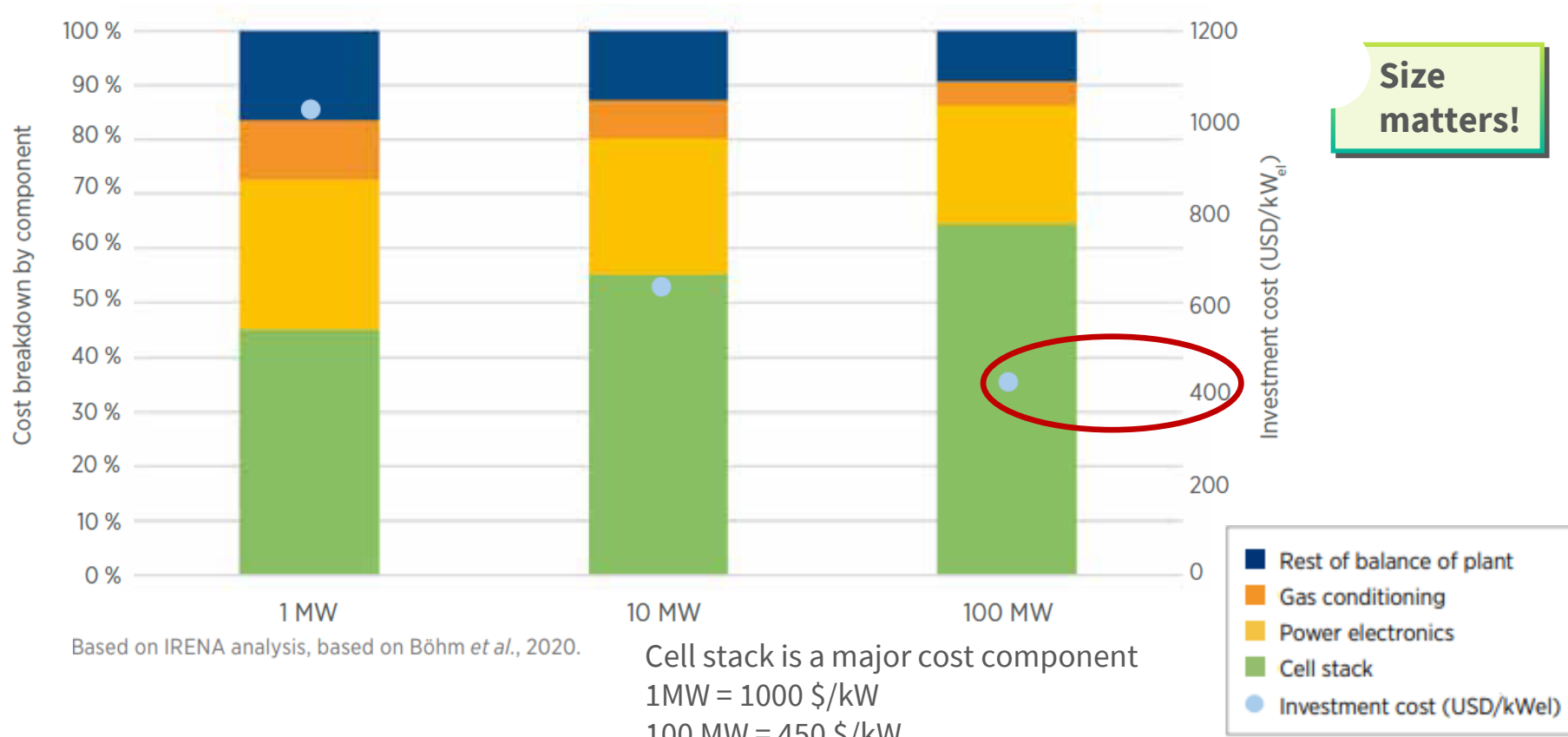


Test your knowledge

“What do you think will drive the reduction of electrolyser cost in future?”

3. Electrolyser Cost Development

Cost breakdown for alkaline electrolyzers (current costs)

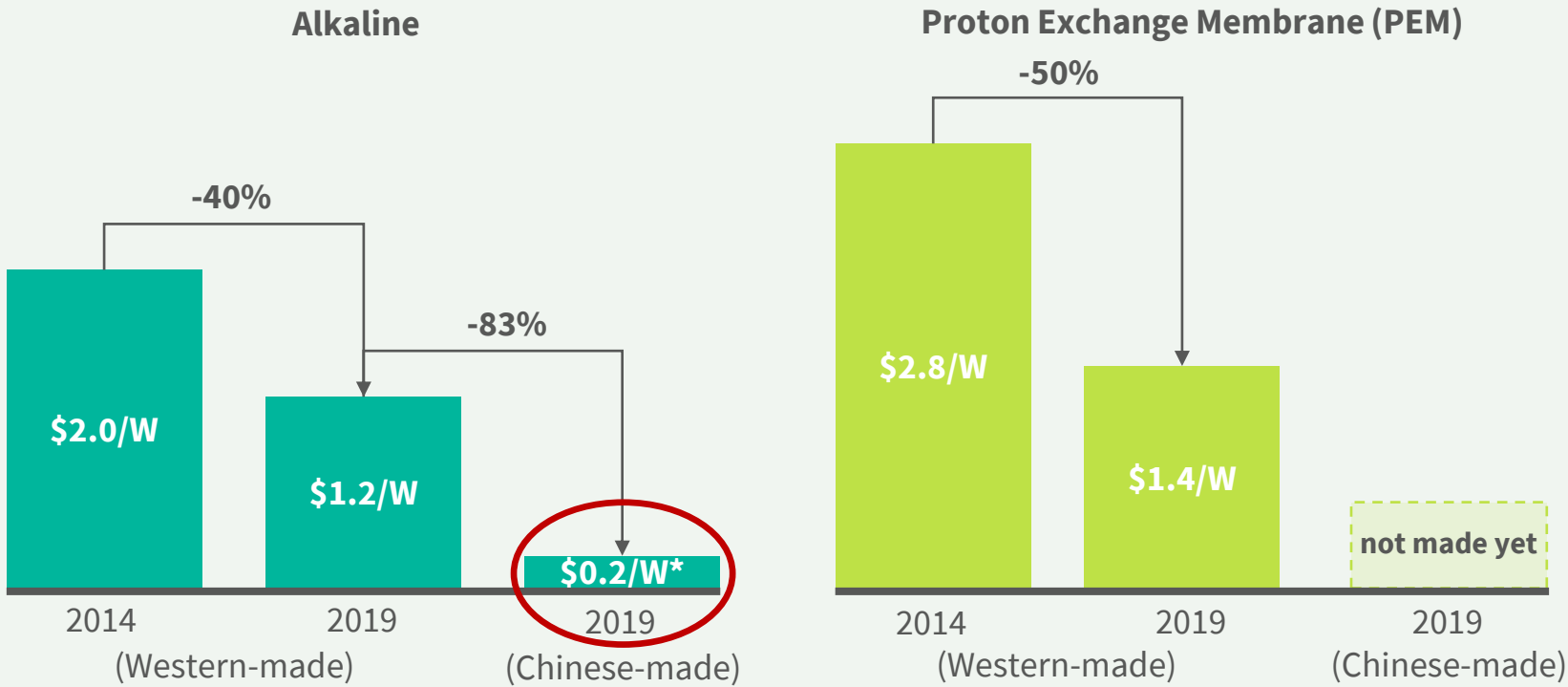


Source: IRENA, Green Hydrogen Cost Reduction, 2020, p.71/fig.25.

3. Electrolyser Cost Development

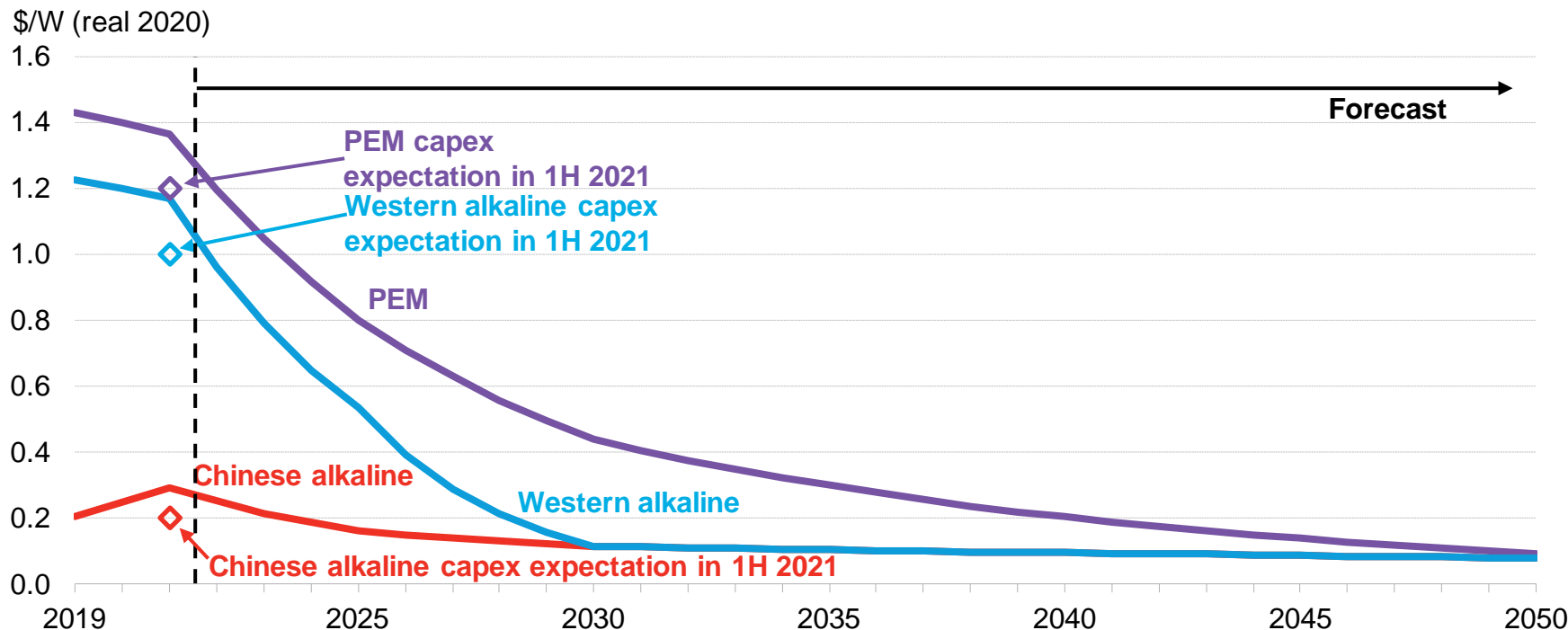
Cost development of electrolysis in last years

Costs have been falling



*approximate values and subject to change according to technological improvements and material costs.

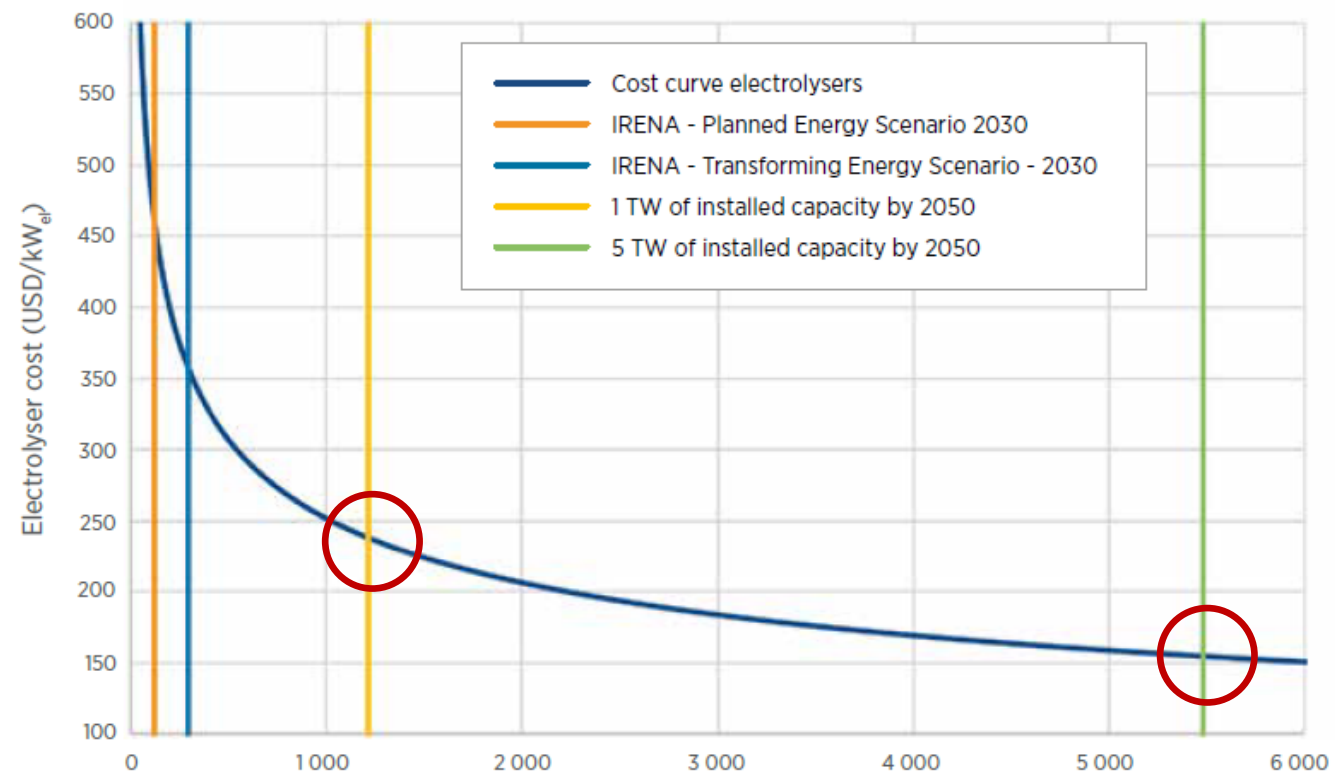
Benchmark electrolysis system capex



Source: BloombergNEF. Note: assumes a single sale in 2021 of several tens of megawatts and several hundreds of megawatts in 2025.

3. Electrolyser Cost Development

Future cost development of electrolyzers as function of installed capacity (expected learning curve)

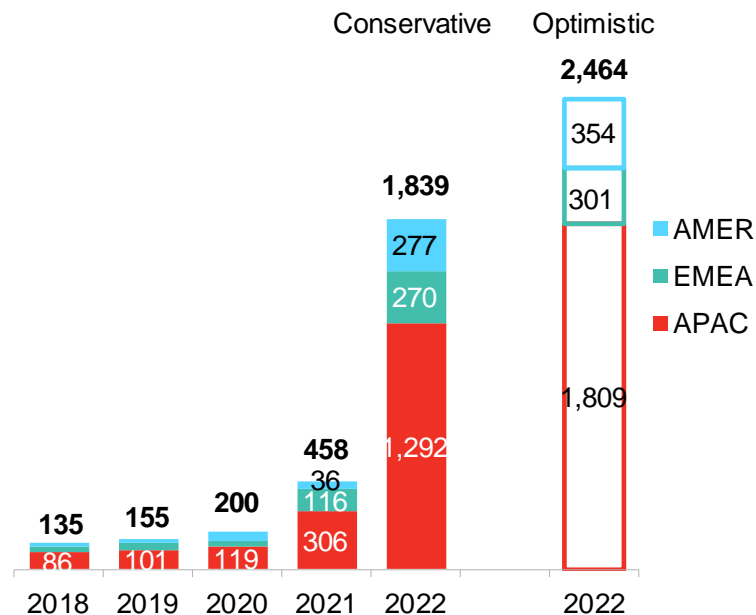


Notes:
1 TW of installed capacity by 2050 is about 1.2 TW of cumulative capacity due to lifetime and replacement. Similarly, 5 TW by 2050 is equivalent to 5.48 TW of cumulative capacity deployed.
(Based on IRENA analysis).

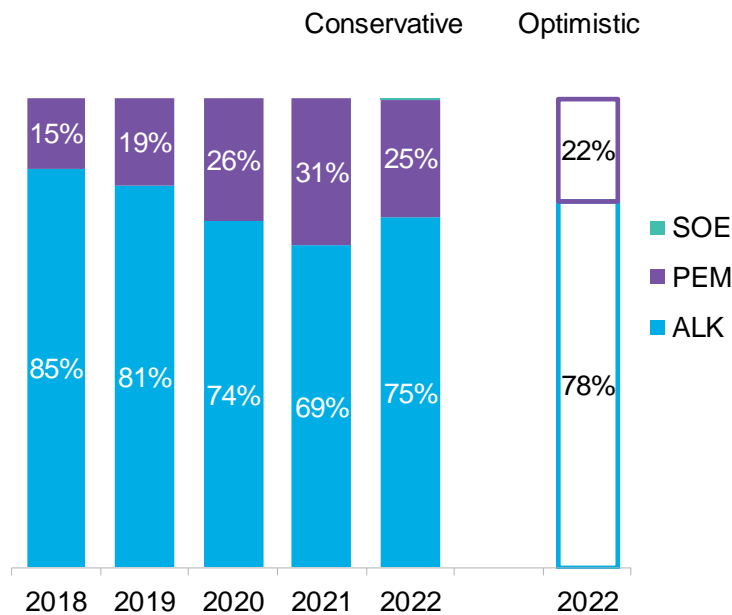
Estimate and forecast of annual electrolyzer shipment, 2018-22

MW

By market



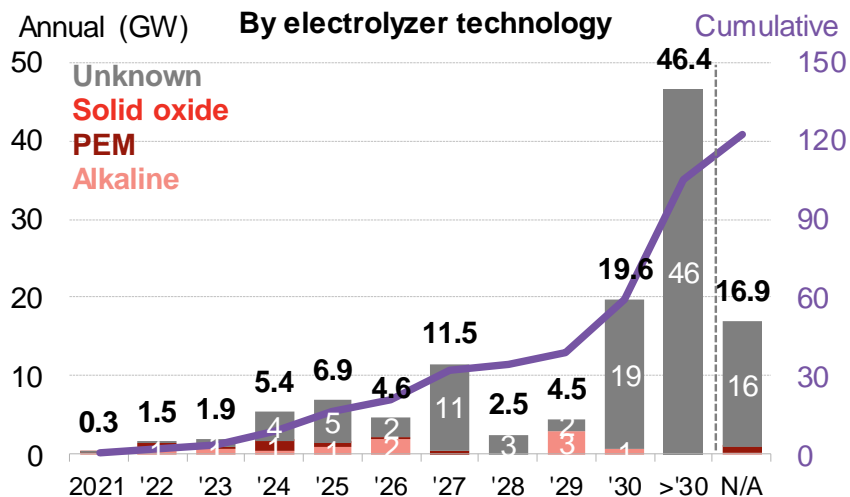
By type



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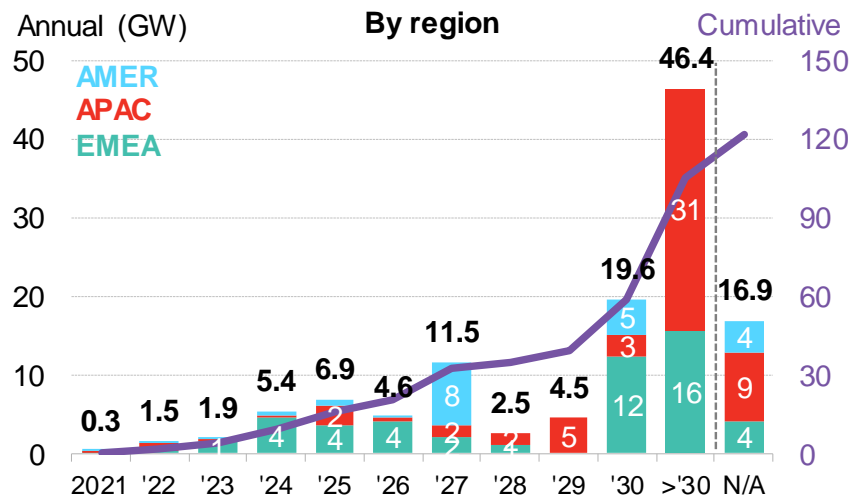
Announced electrolysis pipeline

By electrolyzer technology



Source: BloombergNEF

By region



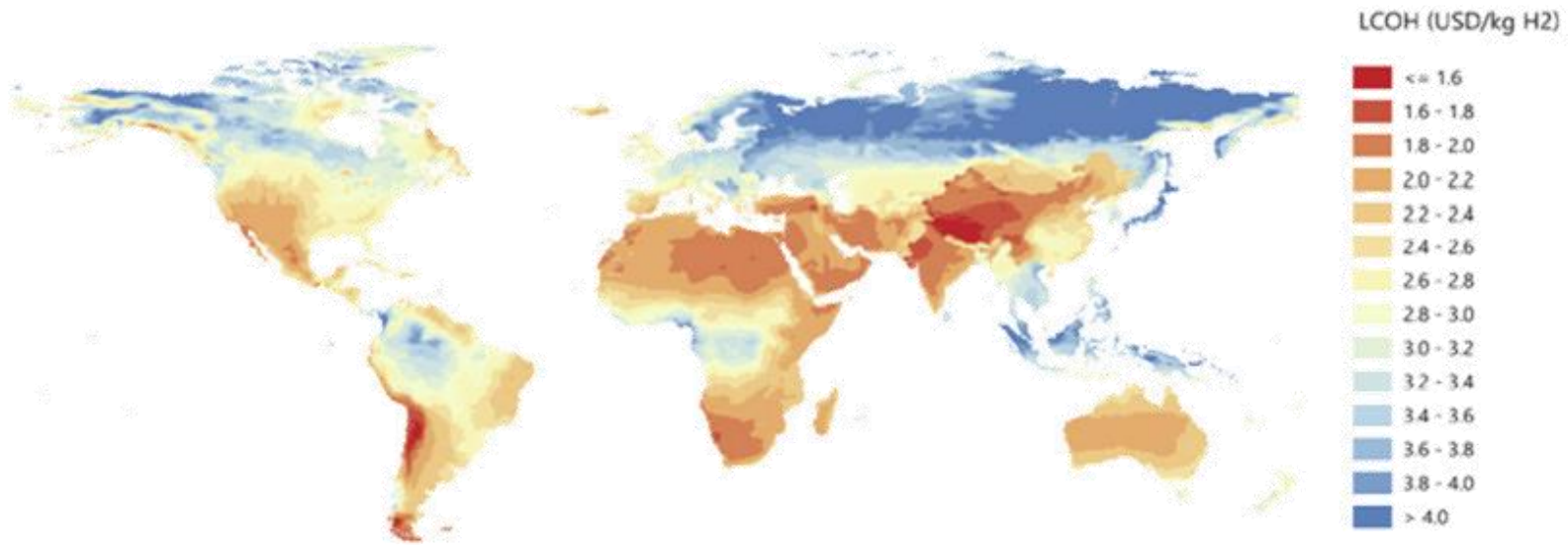
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4. Scale-up and Outlook for H2 and PtX Production

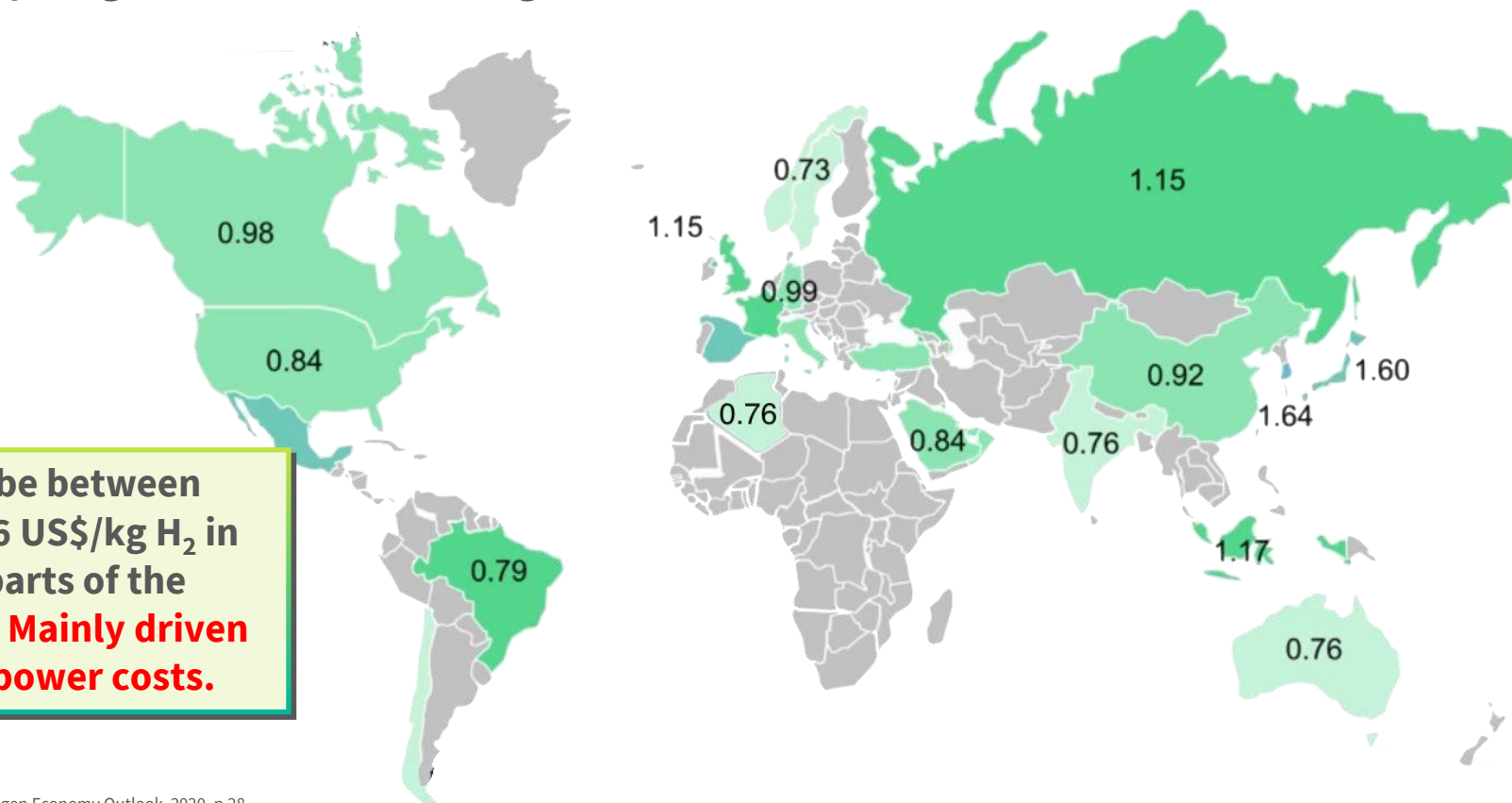
Current Production costs of green hydrogen depends on combination of Wind and PV resources



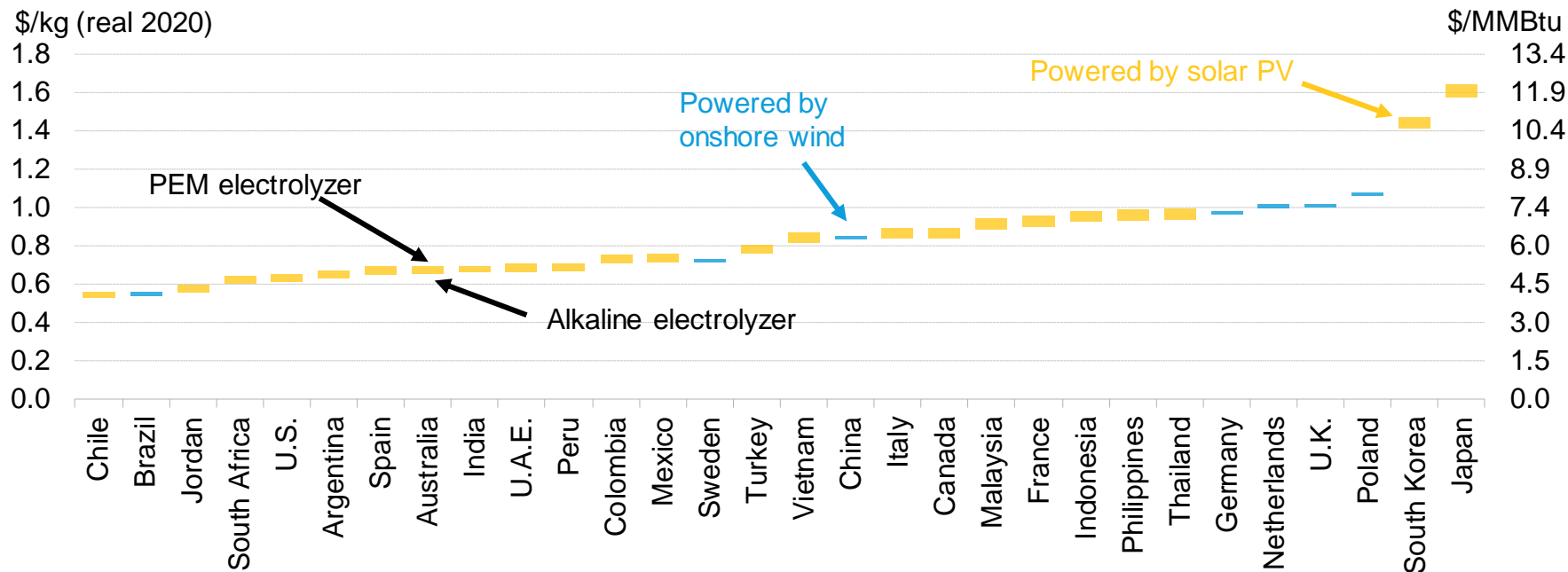
Notes: This map is without prejudice to the status of or sovereignty over any territory, to the delimitation of international frontiers and boundaries and to the name of any territory, city or area. Electrolyser CAPEX = USD 450/kWe, efficiency (LHV) = 74 %; solar PV CAPEX and onshore wind CAPEX = between USD 400–1 000/kW and USD 900–2 500/kW depending on the region; discount rate = 8 %.

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For latest 2050 according to BNEF: Levelised cost of green hydrogen production in \$/kg H₂

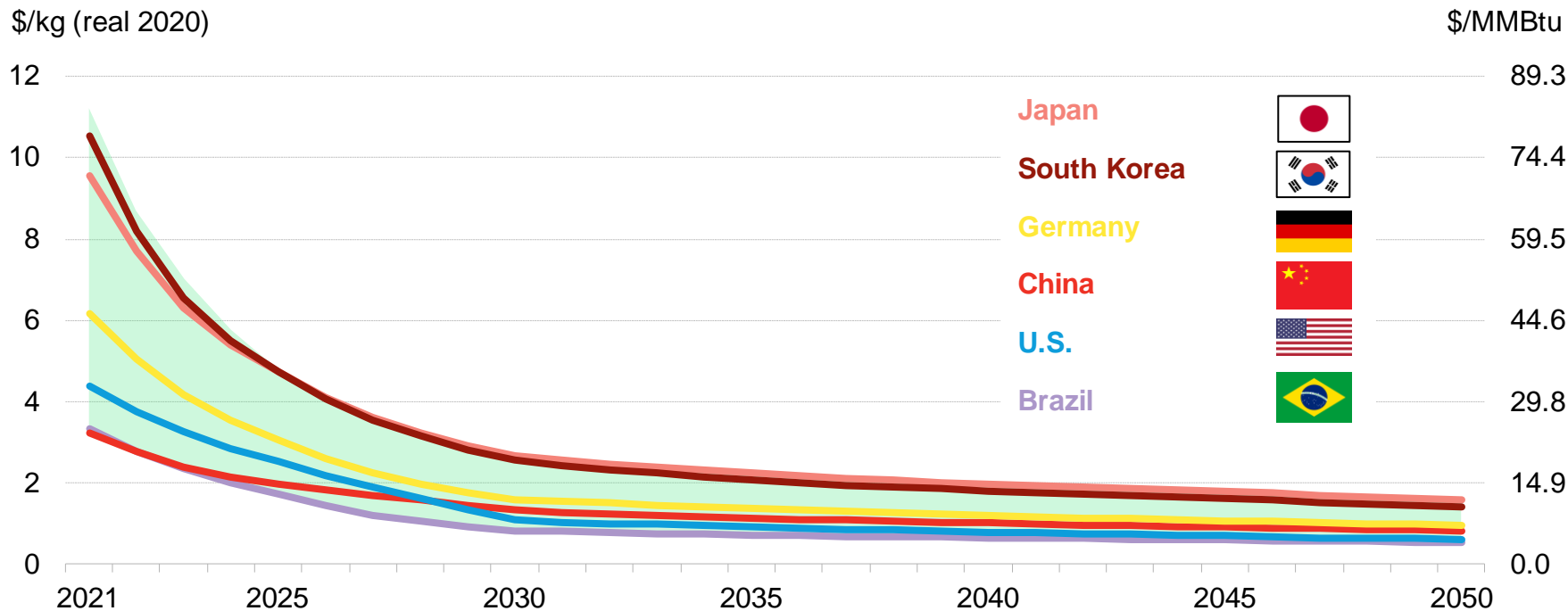


LCOH₂ from renewable electricity, 2050



Source: BloombergNEF. Assumes electrolyzer costs converge to those in Hydrogen: The Economics of Production From Renewables ([web](#) | [terminal](#)). Electricity costs derived from BNEF's 1H 2021 LCOE Update ([web](#) | [terminal](#)), mid scenario. These electricity costs were further discounted by 25% (wind) and 26% (PV) to account for savings from co-locating H₂ production with renewables and faster renewable energy cost reduction caused by extra H₂ demand.

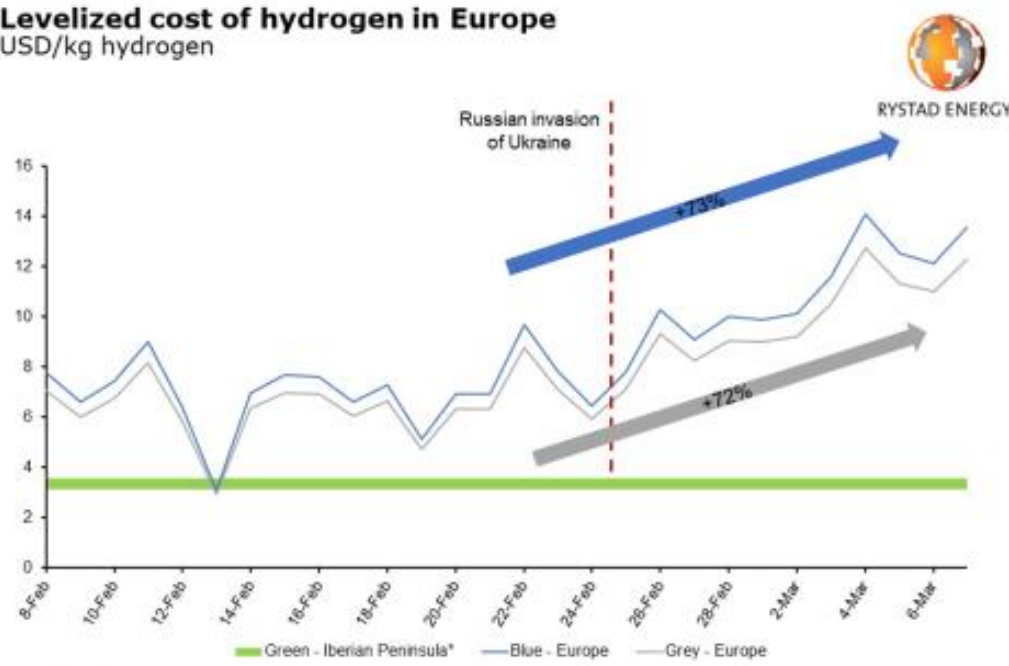
Levelized cost of hydrogen production from renewable electricity, 2021-2050



Source: BloombergNEF. Note: assumes our optimistic alkaline electrolyzer costs (Chinese in China, western elsewhere). See rest of report for data on all 30 markets.

1. Green Hydrogen Production Cost

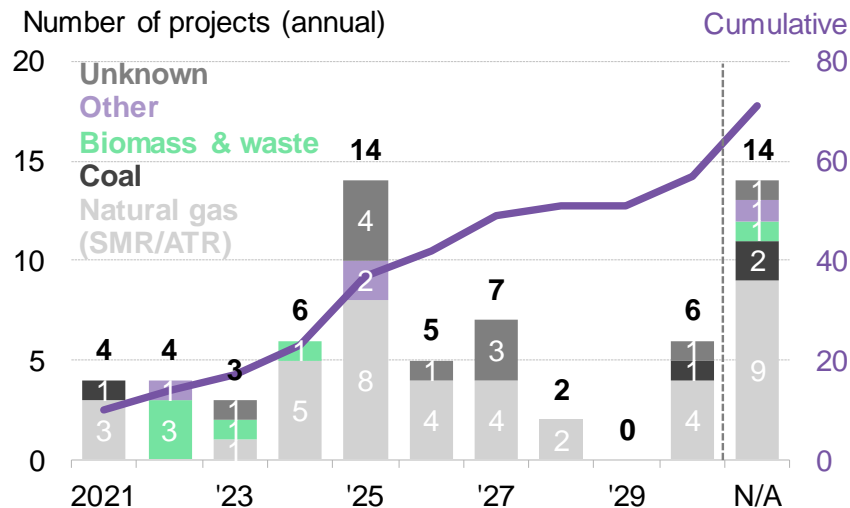
Impact of Russian war on blue hydrogen costs in Europe



*Price based on 2020/21 renewable auctions in Spain and Portugal
Source: Rystad Energy HydrogenCube

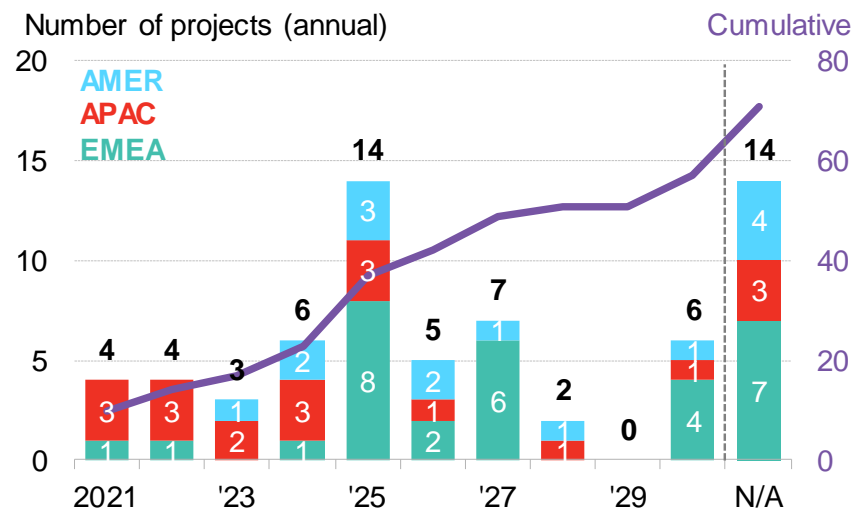
Announced pipeline of H₂ production projects with CCS

By fuel source



Source: BloombergNEF

By region



Source: BloombergNEF

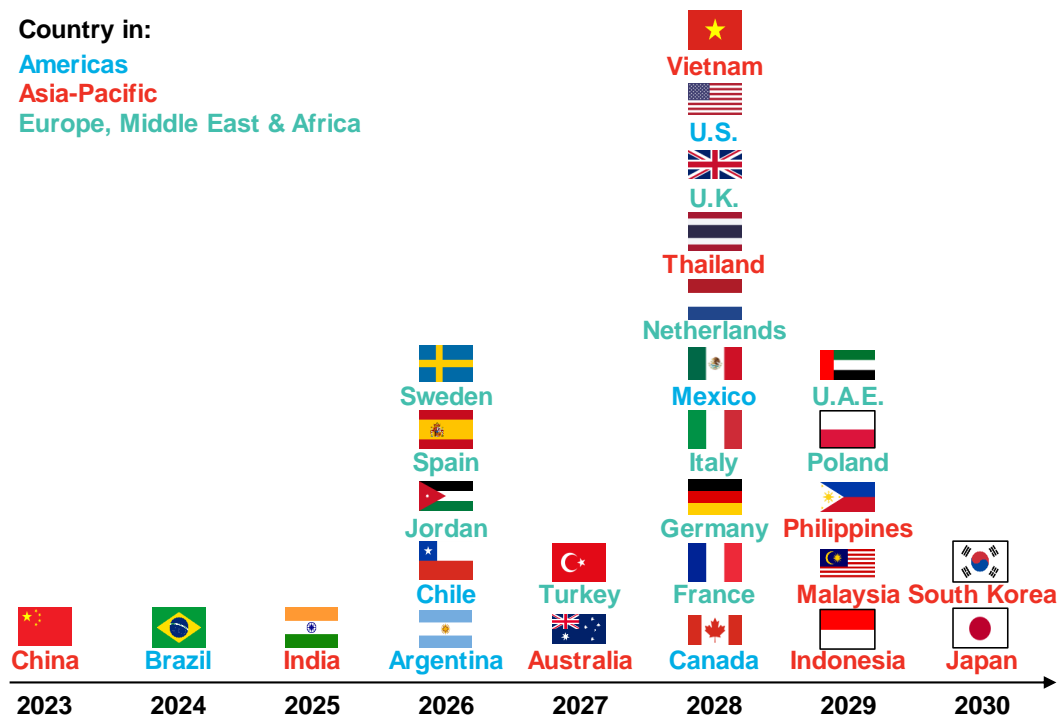
Year when 'green' H₂ outcompetes 'blue' H₂

Country in:

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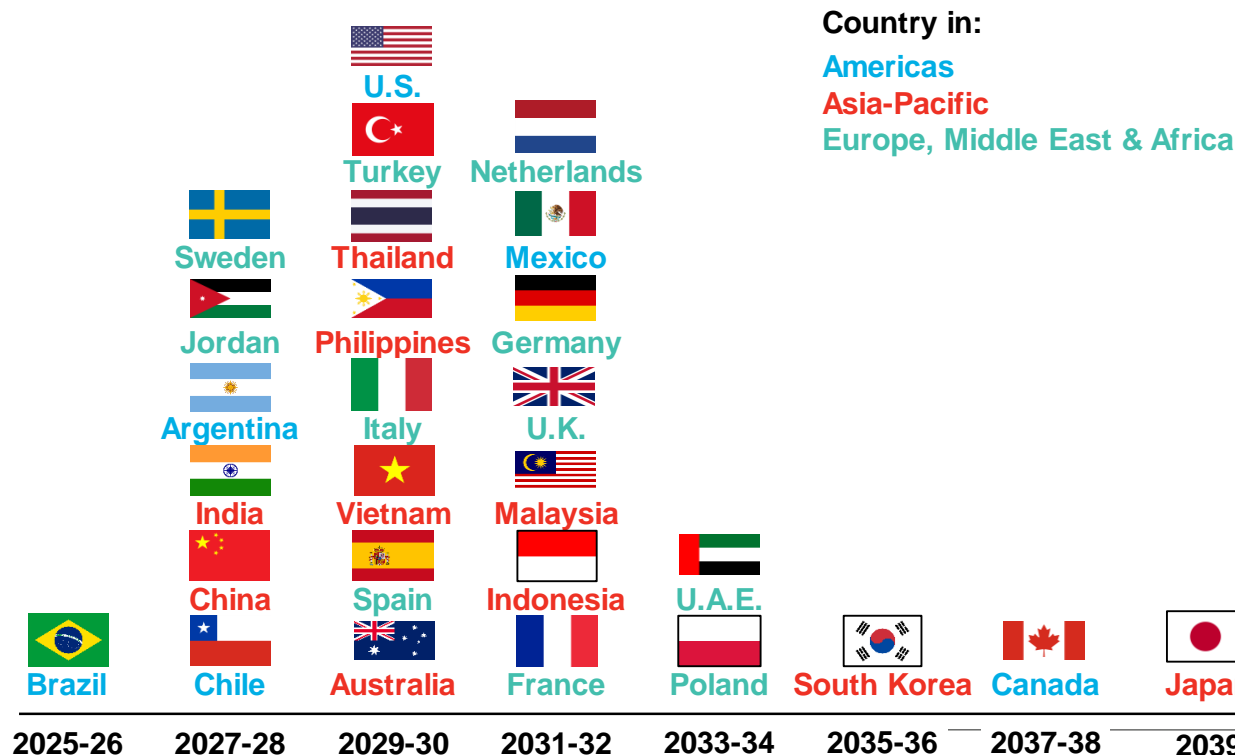
Asia-Pacific

Europe, Middle East & Africa



Source: BloombergNEF

Year when new 'green' H₂ outcompetes new 'gray' H₂



Source: BloombergNEF. Flags: Wikimedia.
 Note: assumes our optimistic alkaline electrolyzer cost scenario (Chinese for China, otherwise western) and 20-year gas price outlook averages. Argentina gas price assumed same as Brazil.
 Jordan gas prices based on average of oil-indexed LNG, Henry Hub-indexed LNG and spot LNG. Actual prices could differ from this assumption. Columns in ascending alphabetical order from bottom to top for each year. For example, this means that Chile, China and India reach the tipping point in 2027, while Argentina, Jordan and Sweden reach it in 2028.

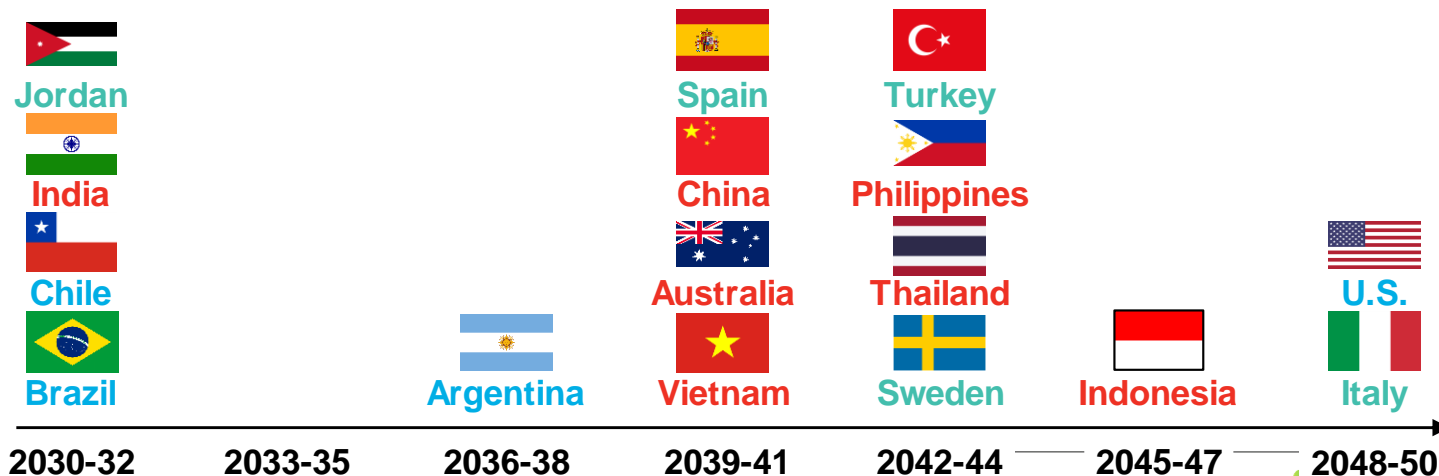
Year when new 'green' H₂ outcompetes natural gas

Country in:

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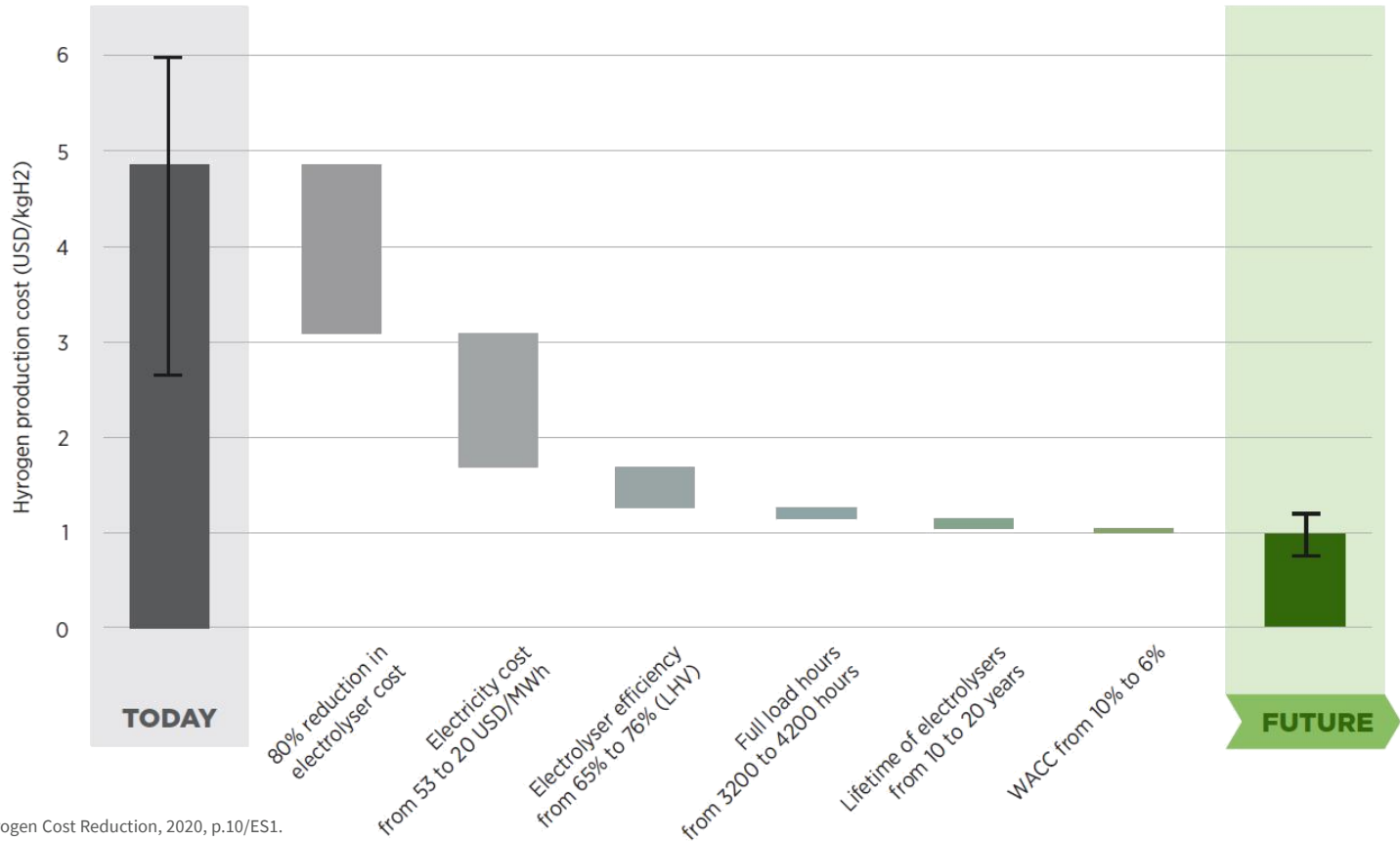


Test your knowledge

“What are the main drivers for future cost reductions for green hydrogen?”

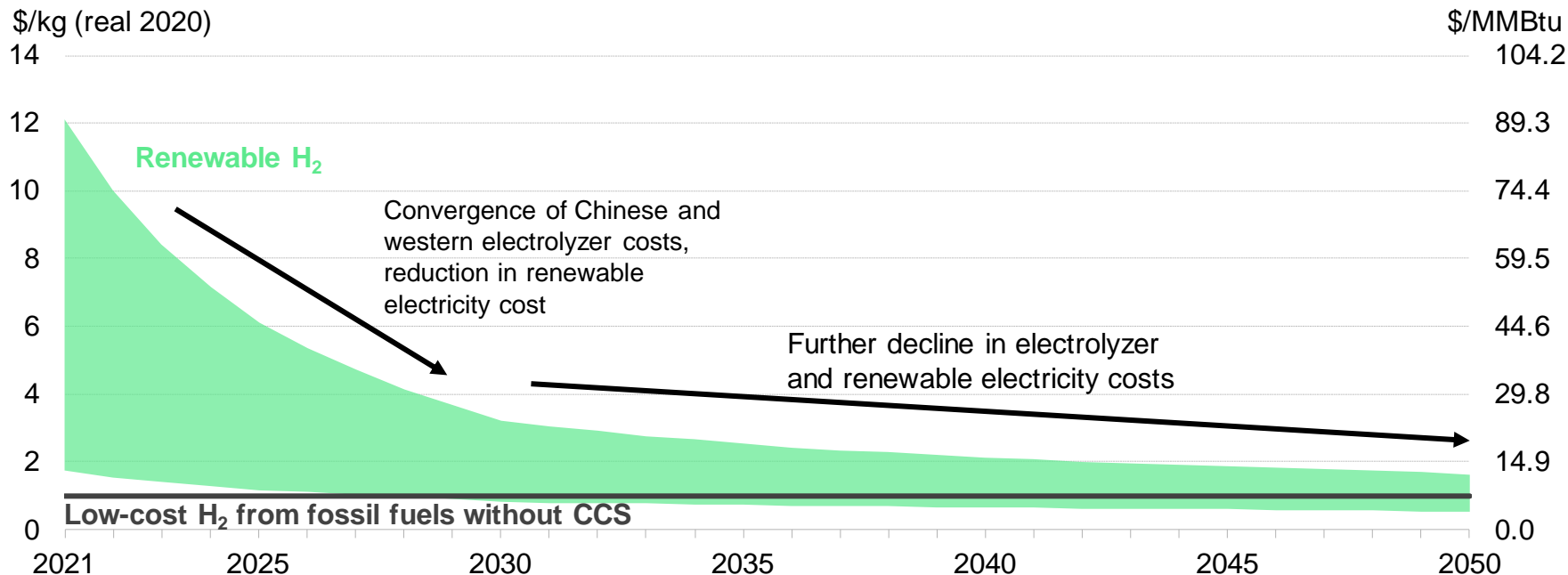
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How to achieve 85% reduction of green hydrogen production costs in the future?



Source: IRENA, Green Hydrogen Cost Reduction, 2020, p.10/ES1.

LCOH₂ from cheapest available renewable power in 30 countries

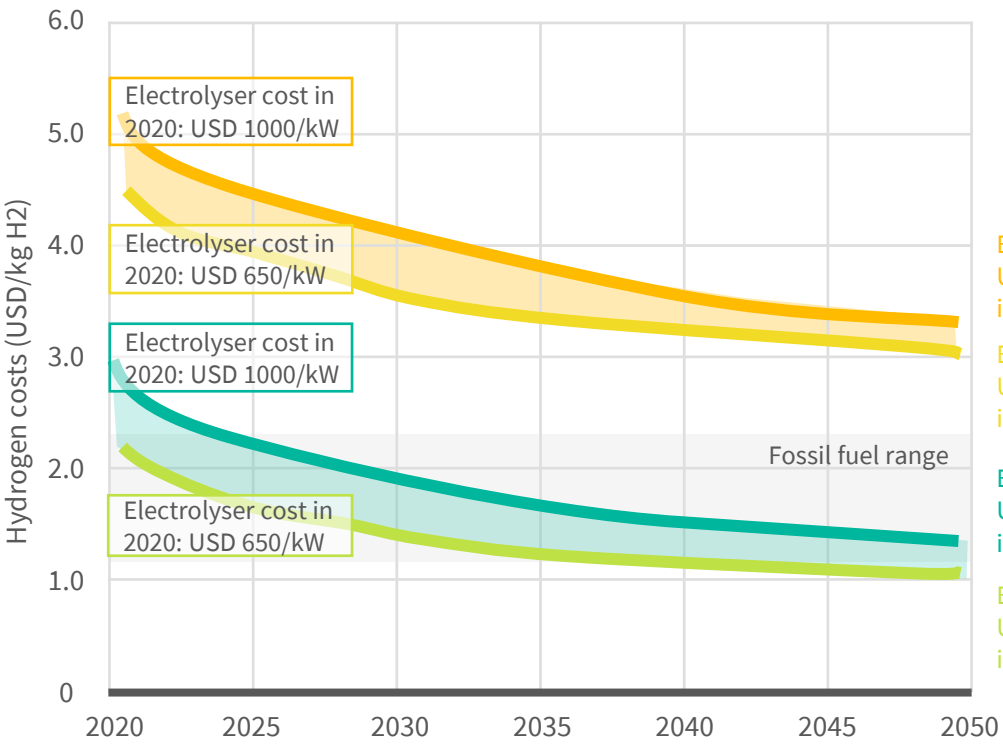


Source: BloombergNEF. Assumes 2021 Chinese alkaline electrolyzer costs of \$0.3/W, western alkaline electrolyzer costs of \$1.2/W and PEM electrolyzer costs of \$1.4/W (see [Appendix](#)). By 2030, costs are assumed to converge to those listed in Hydrogen: The Economics of Production From Renewables ([web](#) | [terminal](#)). Electricity costs derived from BNEF's 1H 2021 LCOE Update ([web](#) | [terminal](#)), mid scenario.

4. Scale-up and Outlook for H2 and PtX Production

Green hydrogen costs will decrease based on:

- 1. electrolyser cost reduction
- 2. efficiency increase
- 3. drop in electricity costs



Electrolyser cost in 2050:
USD 300/kW at 1TW
installed capacity

Electrolyser cost in 2050:
USD 130/kW at 5TW
installed capacity

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Electricity price
USD 65/MWh

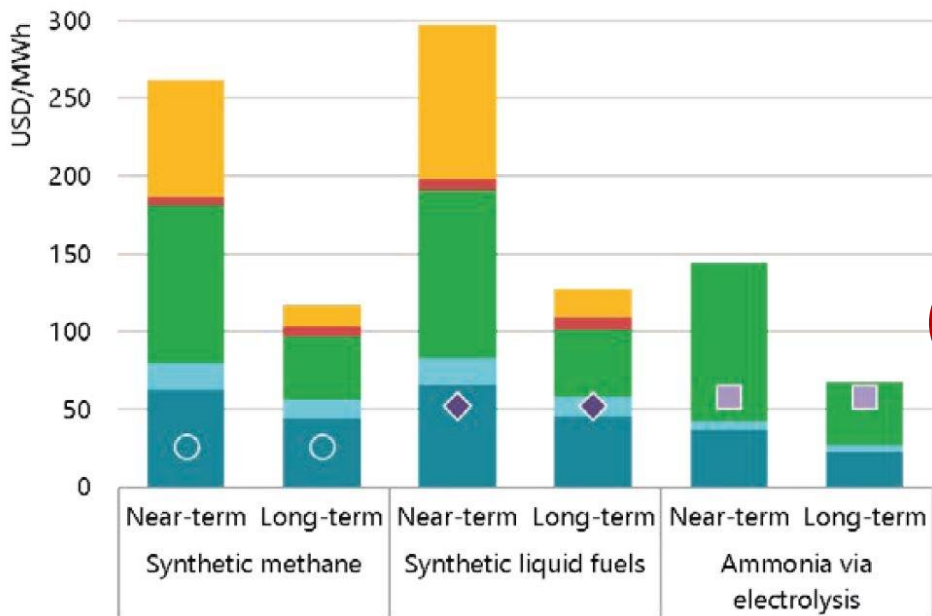
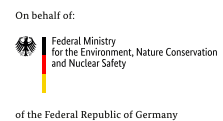
Electricity price
USD 20/MWh

Note: Efficiency at nominal capacity is 65% with a LHV of 51.2 kWh/kg H₂ in 2020 and 76% (at an LHV of 45.8 kWh/kg H₂) in 2050. A discount rate of 8% and a stack lifetime of 80,000 hours.

The electrolyser investment cost for 2020 is USD 650-1000/kW. Electrolyser costs reach USD 130-307/kW as a result of 1-5 TW of capacity deployed by 2050.

4. Scale-up and Outlook for H2 and PtX Production

Competitiveness of future production costs for PtX products



Update End of March 2022:
Gas up to 4 x higher (EU nat. gas import: 30 \$/MMbtu = 100 \$/MWh)
Diesel: Oil EU Brent up by 60% (EU Brent 120 \$/bbl)
Ammonia up to 3,5 x higher (Ammonia price 1100\$/t NH₃)

- CO₂ feedstock costs - high
- CO₂ feedstock costs - low
- Electricity costs
- OPEX
- CAPEX
- Gas price - USD 7/Mbtu
- Diesel price - USD 75/bbl
- Ammonia price - USD 300/tNH₃

High feedstock CO₂ costs:
DAC = 400 US\$/t short term
- 100 \$/t long term

Low feedstock CO₂ costs:
Bio CO₂ = 30 US\$/t

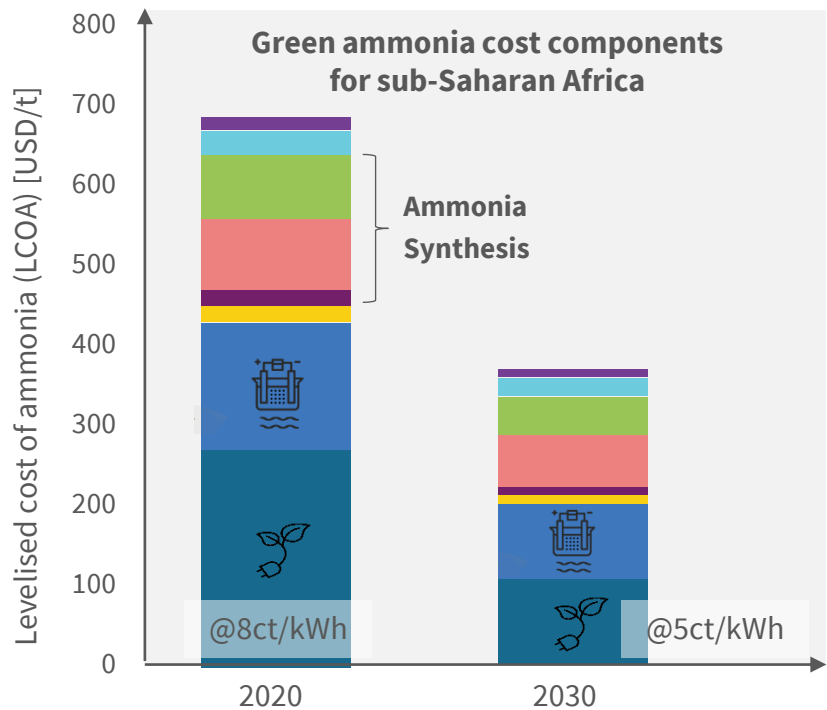
Assumption: Ammonia price at electricity price of USD 50/MWh at 3.000 FLH near term & USD 25/MWh in long-term

For syn. gas and syn. diesel a large price difference will remain.

For ammonia the near future looks brighter.

4. Scale-up and Outlook for H2 and PtX Production

Cost development of green ammonia production



Costs are determined by costs of green hydrogen

- Water
- Air separation
- Operation & Maintenance
- Ammonia Synthesis CAPEX
- Ammonia Synthesis OPEX
- Hydrogen storage
- Electrolyser CAPEX
- Electrolyser OPEX

Conventional ammonia cost in 2020: 300 US\$/t, now up to 650 US\$/t

Source: Richard Michael Nayak-Luke & René Bañares-Alcántara Royal society of chemistry, Techno-economic viability of islanded green ammonia as a carbon-free energy vector and as a substitute for conventional production, 2020.

4. Scale-up and Outlook for H2 and PtX Production

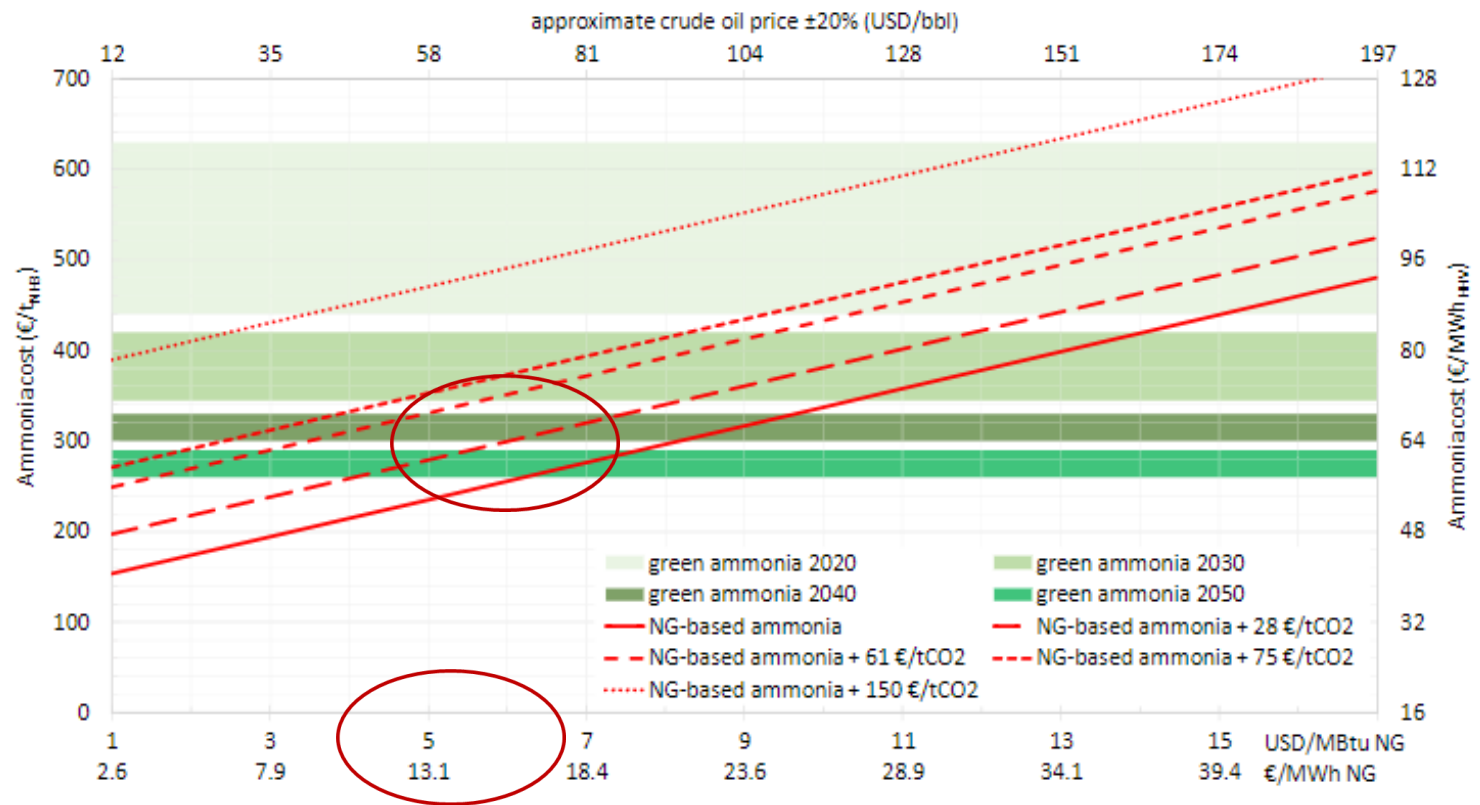
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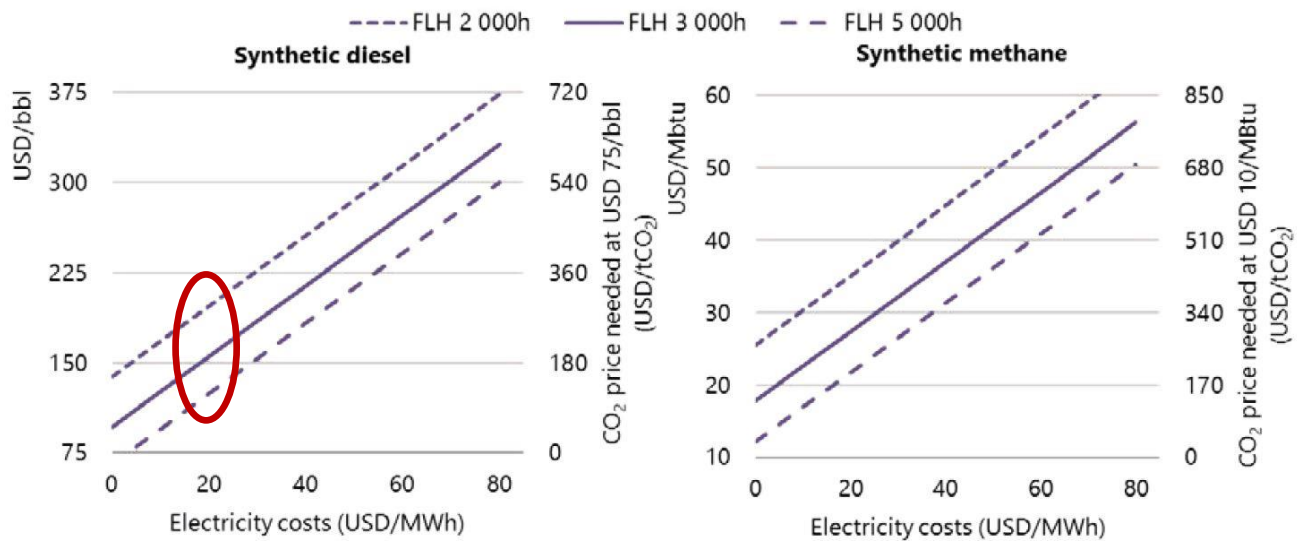
NG-based ammonia vs. green ammonia at best sites with 10 Gt_{NH3}/a cumulative capacity



Source: Mahdi Fasihiet al., Global potential of green ammonia based on hybrid PV-wind power plants, Applied Energy 294, 2021, p.13/fig.14.

4. Scale-up and Outlook for H2 and PtX Production

Required CO₂ price to make syn. shipping fuel and syn. gas competitive



For syn. fuels to be competitive to fossil fuels **low electricity costs and high CO₂ prices needed!**

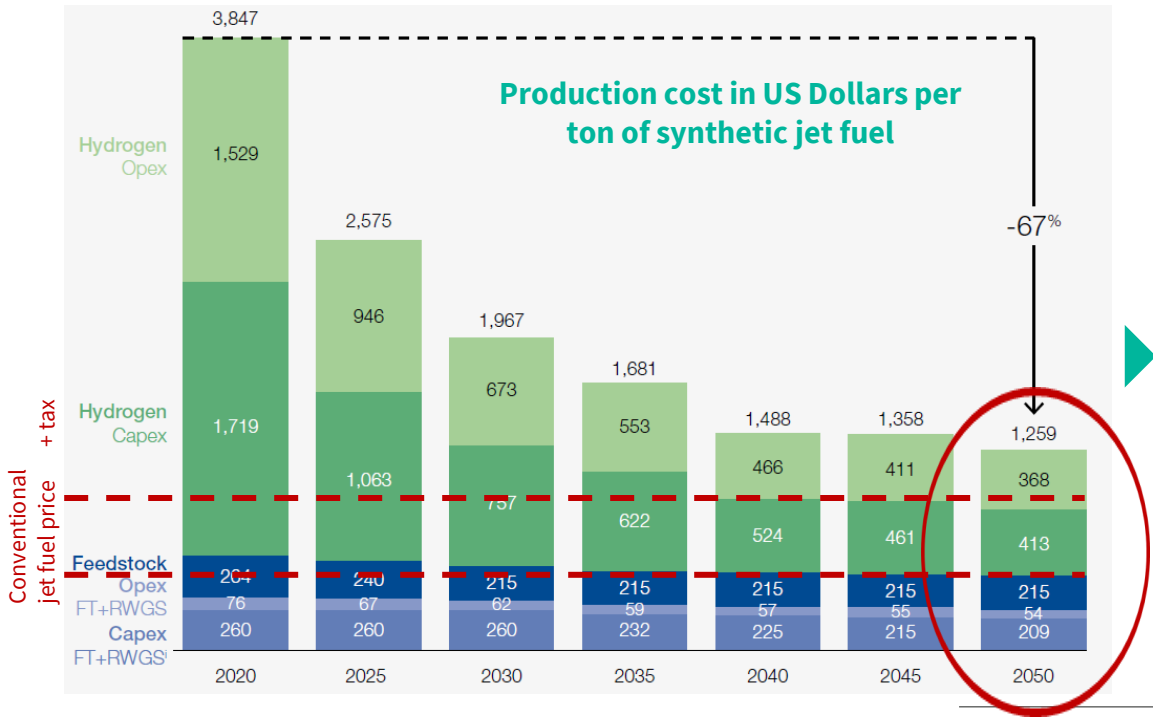
Higher FLH compensate electricity costs!

Production cost for synthetic shipping fuel and methane.

CO₂ price needed to reach competitiveness with fossil fuel at USD 75/bbl and with natural gas at USD 10/Mbtu.

4. Scale-up and Outlook for H2 and PtX Production

Synthetic jet fuel costs are driven by H₂ cost with potential to decline by 70% in 2050... But under which assumptions?



Water electrolysis + RWGS

- H₂ costs can vary greatly by power source and region
- shown for solar power-based H₂ at
 - 7.3 USD/kg H₂ in 2020
 - 3.2 USD/kg H₂ in 2030
 - 1.7 USD/kg H₂ in 2050

CO₂ feedstock

- Industrial CO₂ (shown in graph)
 - 81 USD/t in 2020
 - 66 USD/t by 2030
- Direct air capture (*not in graph*)
 - 600-800 USD/t in 2020
 - 100 USD/t by 2030

MODULE 3: Key messages – 1/2

Production Cost of Green Hydrogen

- As the **major cost component for green H2 is the electricity supply**, cost decline is already underway through the competitive deployment of renewables. **By 2050 latest, green H2 is competitive**. The Ukraine war has made blue and grey hydrogen **uneconomical in Europe** much earlier than expected
- Cost declines is expected for electrolyzers** due to massive increase of production in scale and size in addition to increasing performance and durability.
- The **minimum of operating hours** per year for the electrolyzer are required beside the low cost of electricity to produce cost effective hydrogen → **Electricity cost matters**

Renewable Energy Generation Cost Development

- Overview RE costs worldwide showing that **LCOE of PV, wind etc. has come down by 80-90%** in last decade. It is expected that **further cost reduction will happen** especially for PV
- Many countries and regions in the world have good wind and good solar conditions to achieve sufficient FLH **through a combination of PV and Wind**.
- However, **massive RE deployment necessary** since 1 GW electrolysis comes with 1-4 GW of additional renewables

Electrolyser Cost Development

- In last years, **costs have come down** by expected learning curve due to number and size of projects (importance of **economies of scale**, like for PV modules

MODULE 3: Key messages -2/2

Scale-Up and Outlook for Hydrogen and PtX Production

- Many countries **will** be able to **produce green hydrogen for around 1 \$/kg or lower in the longer future**, depending largely on RE power costs
- Up to 85% of green H2 **production costs can be reduced** in the long-term by a combination of cheaper electricity and electrolyser costs, in addition, to increased efficiency and optimized operation of the electrolyser






Open discussion

“What are your findings and observations from the economics module?”

Modules prepared by the
International PtX Hub Berlin



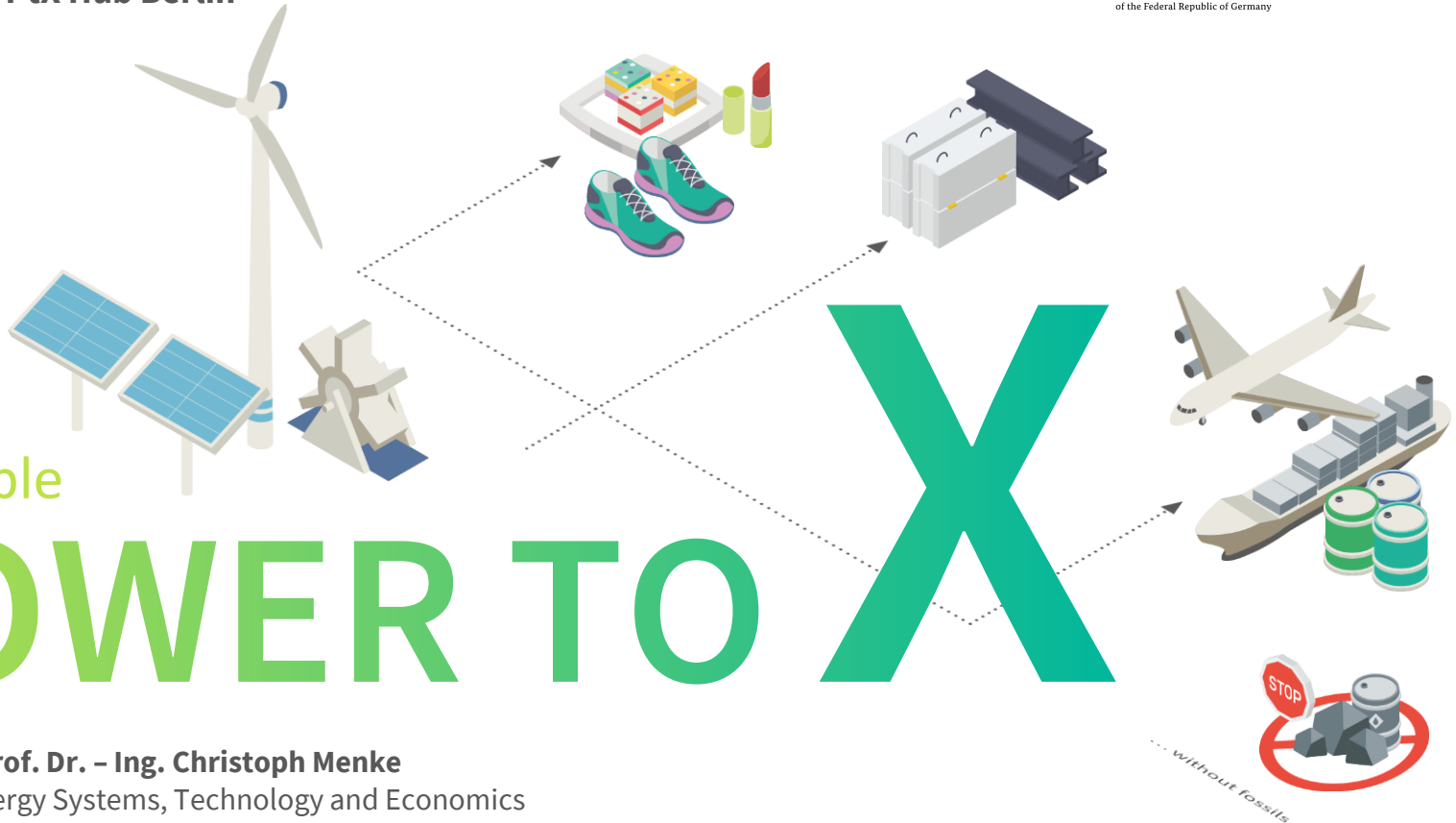
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Agenda

1

Introduction to Renewable PtX

Why are we talking about renewable PtX now?

2

Production of Renewable PtX

What is needed to produce green hydrogen and PtX?

3

Renewable PtX Economics

How will the cost of renewable PtX and RE develop? What are the parameters to lower it?

4

PtX Infrastructure

How to transport and store hydrogen best?

5

Markets for Renewable PtX

How to determine where to start a PtX market in your country?

6

Sustainability Criteria for Renewable PtX

Which sustainability criteria will be applied for renewable PtX? Why are they so important?

7

Support Policies and Regulations for Renewable PtX

What policies and regulations are useful and necessary to start your national strategy? How to ramp up the market and business?

Module 4

Renewable PtX Infrastructure



Transport Options

- Long vs. shorter distances
- Different PtX products (H_2 derivatives)



Storage Options

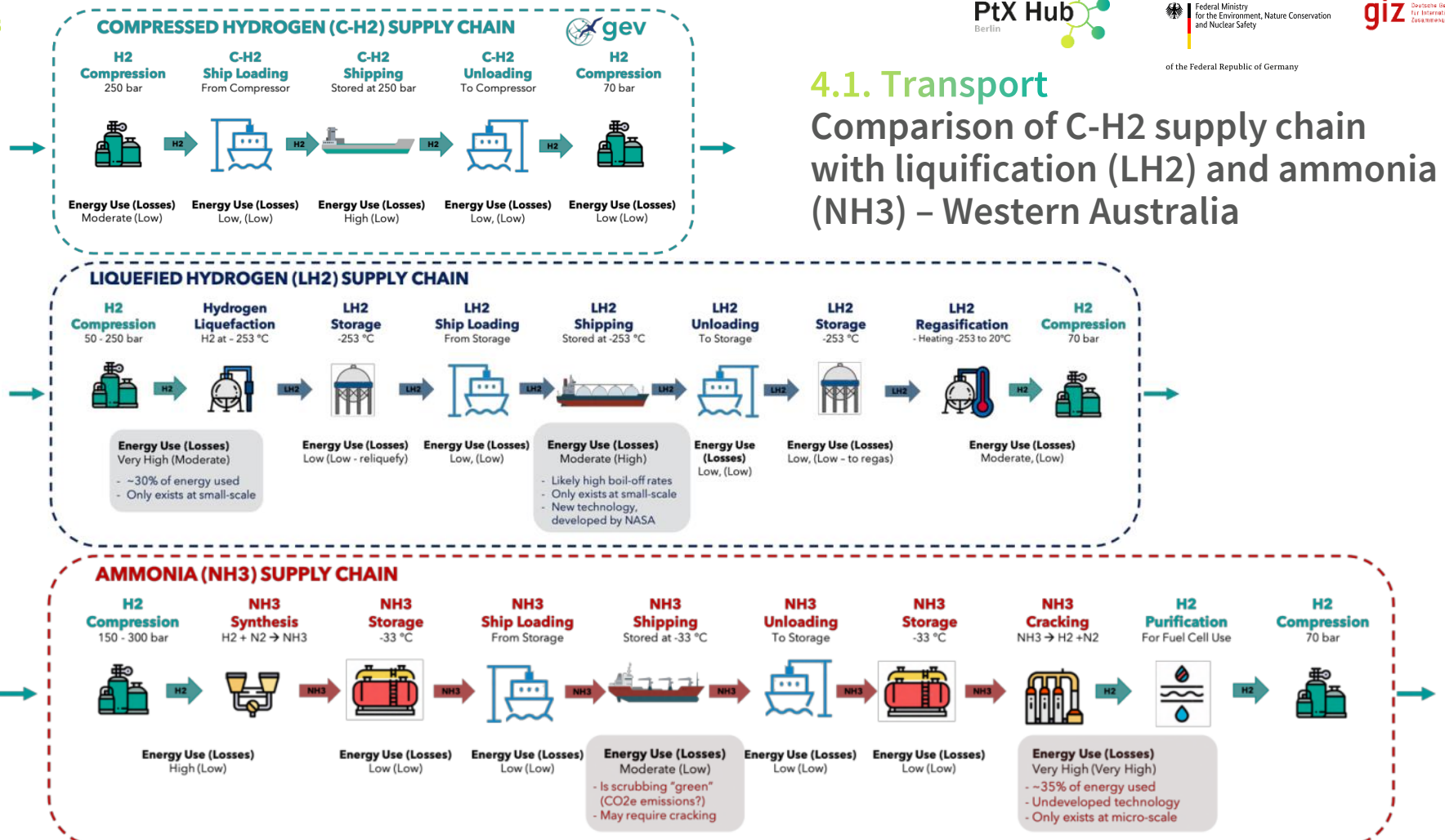
- Physical storage places
- Storage stages of the product (liquid, gaseous)



Test your knowledge

“What is the best option to transport hydrogen over a distance of up to 5,000 km?”

“What is the most expensive option of H₂ transport?”

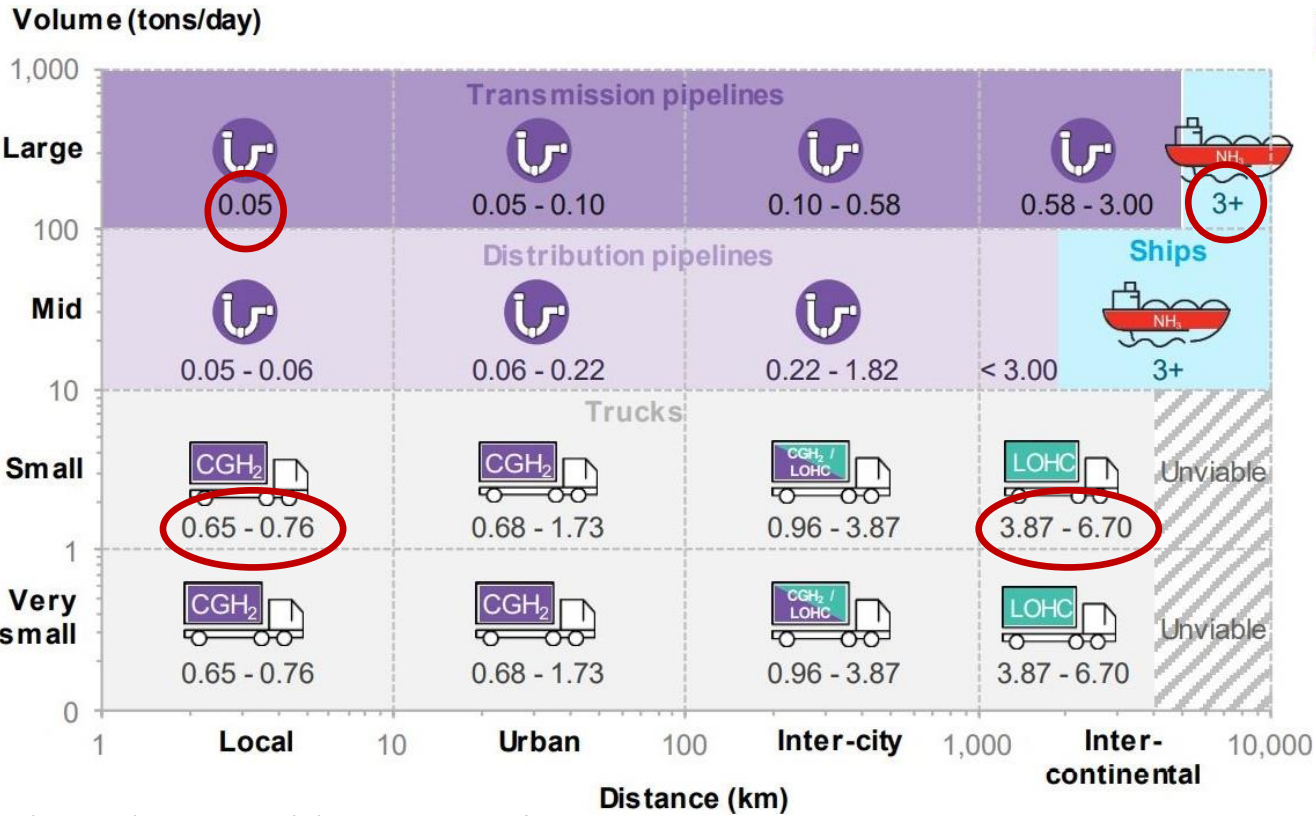


4.1. Transport

Comparison of C-H2 supply chain with liquefaction (LH2) and ammonia (NH3) – Western Australia

4.1. Transport

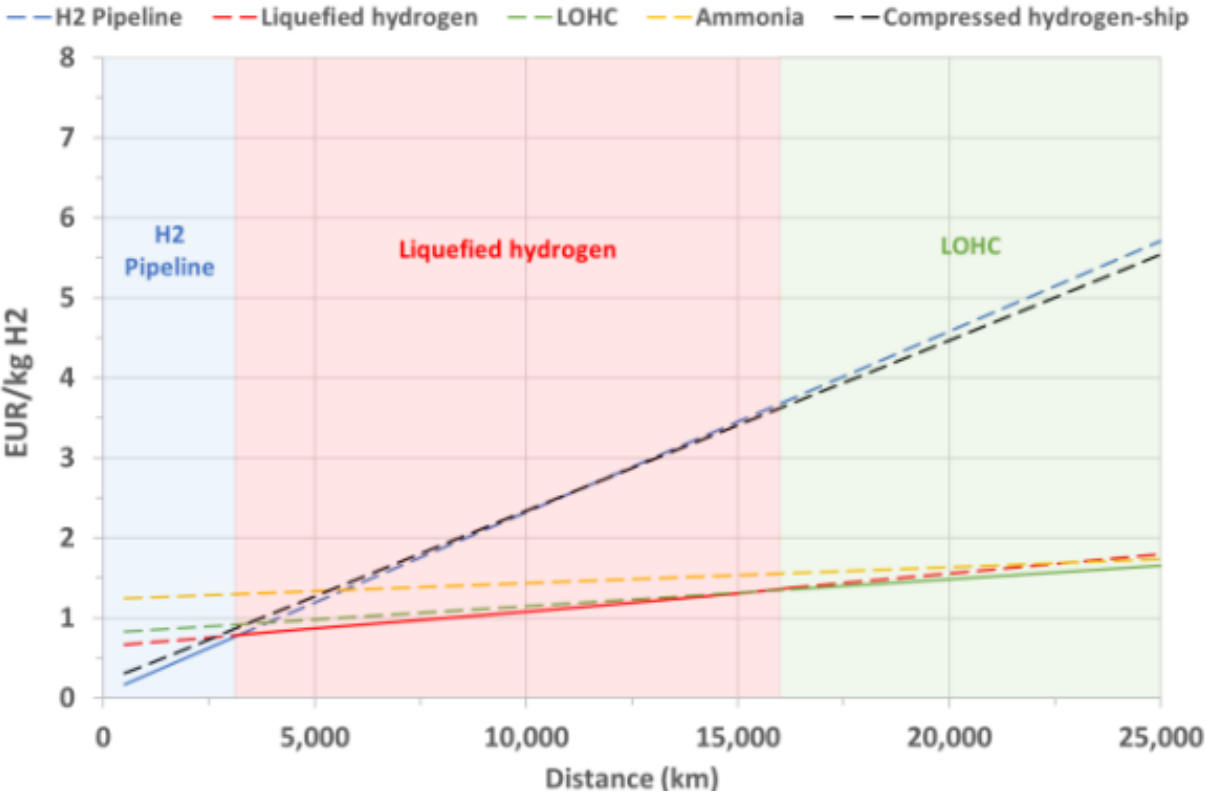
H₂ transport costs based on distance and volume,
in \$/kg H₂ in 2019



Source: BloombergNEF, Hydrogen Economy Outlook Key messages, 2020, p.4/fig.4.

4.1. Transport

Costs of different options for the long-distance transport of hydrogen depending on transport distance

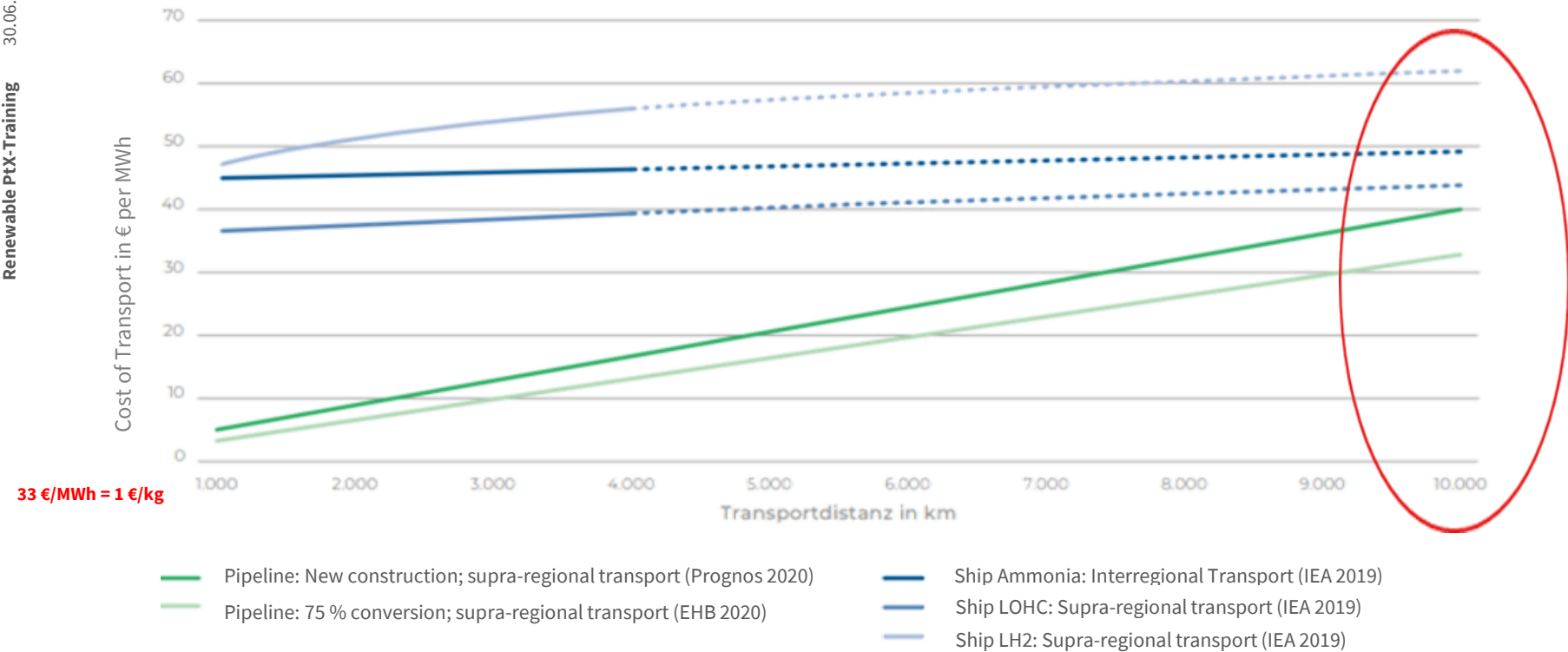


Distance up to ~2,600 km:
H₂ pipeline and compressed H₂ shipping are the cheapest options.
Other sources assume up to 5,000 – 8,000 km if existing pipelines can be converted!

Distances from 2,600-16,000 km should be covered with liquefied H₂, ammonia or PtLs

4.1. Transport

Comparison of selected hydrogen total transport costs options



- Pipeline: New construction; supra-regional transport (Prognos 2020)
- Pipeline: 75 % conversion; supra-regional transport (EHB 2020)

- Ship Ammonia: Interregional Transport (IEA 2019)
- Ship LOHC: Supra-regional transport (IEA 2019)
- Ship LH2: Supra-regional transport (IEA 2019)

Costs including infrastructure costs and costs for conversion and reconversion of Hydrogen into Ammonia, LH2, LOHC

4.1. Transport

Key question: Transport electricity or hydrogen? It depends!

Example for cost of importing electricity or hydrogen from MENA region to Germany, 2030.

Scenario 1: End use electricity

Option A HVDC:



Option B H₂-Pipeline:

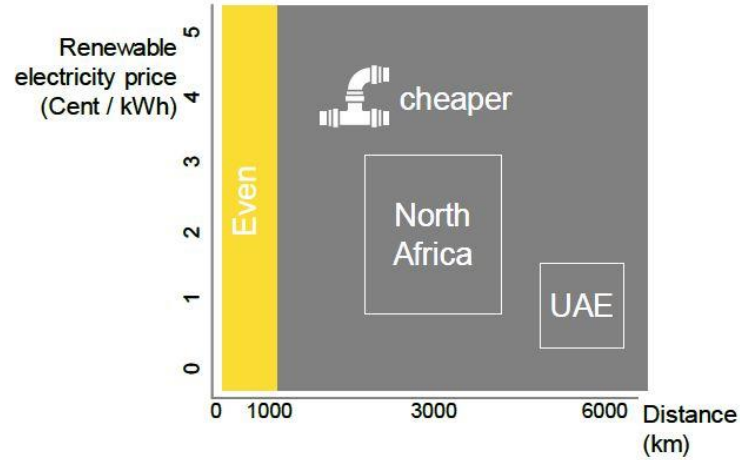
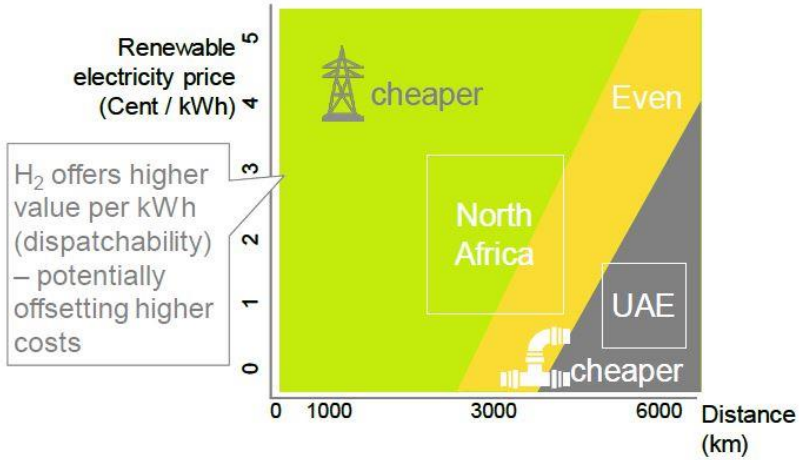


Scenario 2: End use hydrogen

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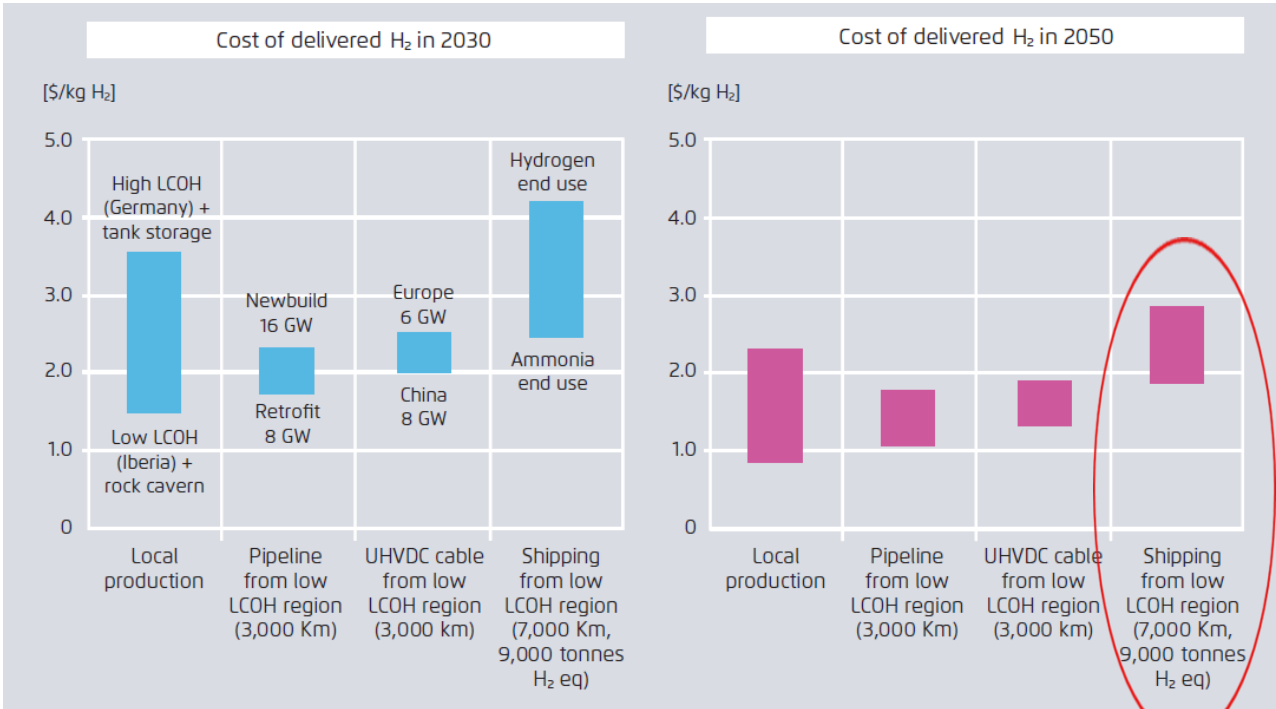


Option B H₂-Pipeline:



4.1. Transport

Economics of delivered hydrogen for 2030 and 2050

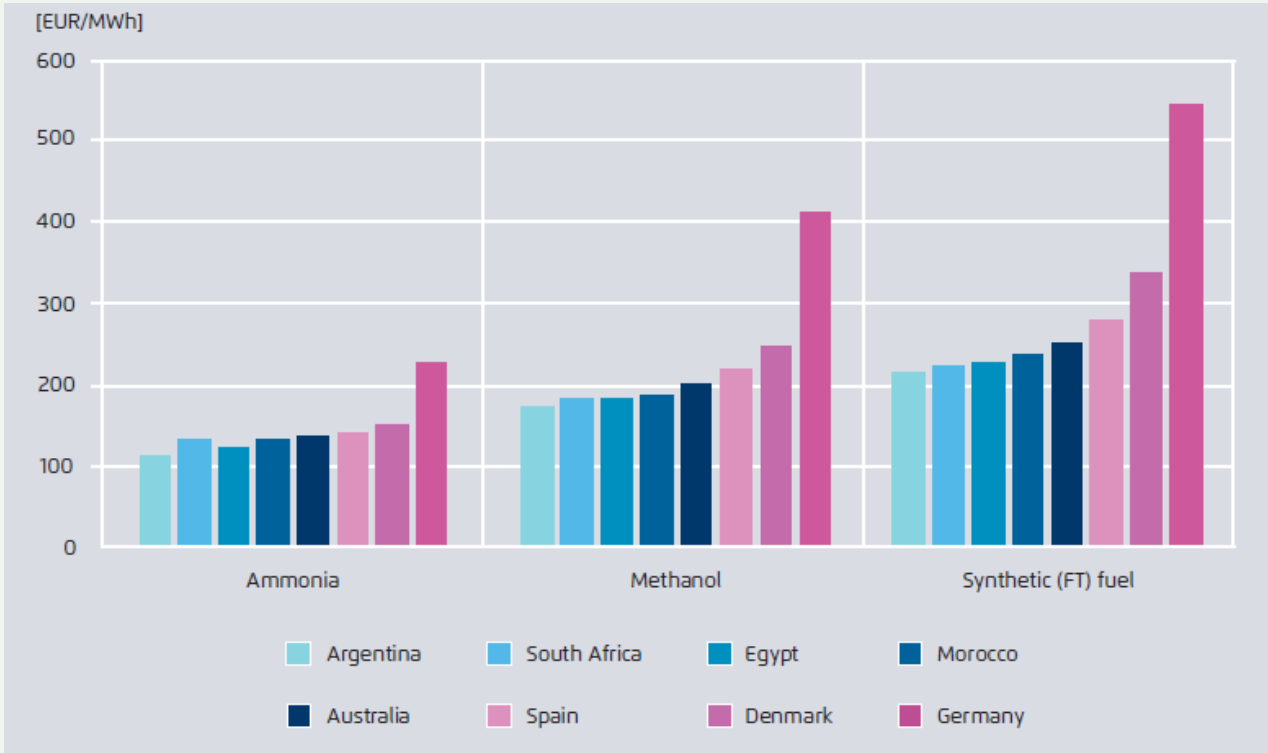


- Retrofitted pipelines (if available) are cheapest
- Ship-based trade lends itself better to hydrogen-based products or where pipelines are not feasible
- Long distance transport can be more expansive than local production in Europe in the long run, but Europe will most likely need to import in addition to own production!

Notes: Green hydrogen production takes into account storage costs of 50 % annual demand. This is the lowest-cost retrofitted gas pipeline according to the European Hydrogen backbone report.

4.1. Transport

From a European perspective for 2030



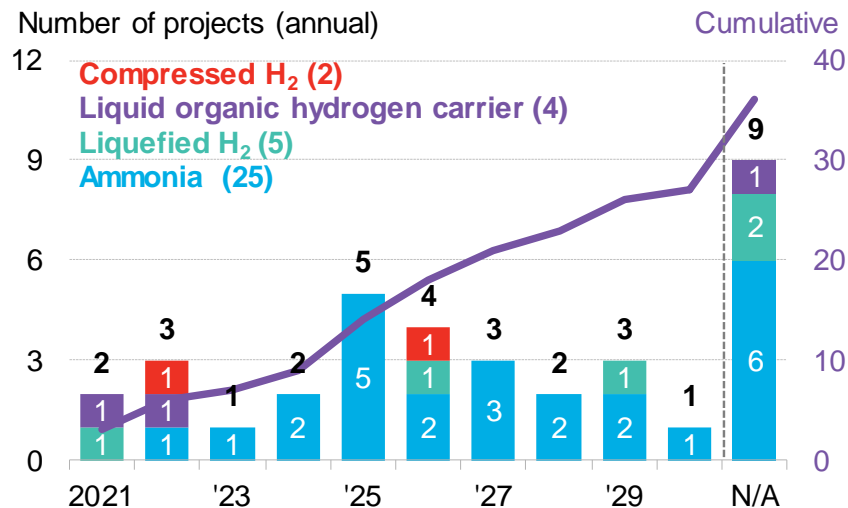
Hydrogen pipelines will keep European industry in business and ensure a firm power market.

The **EU** should **foster international power-to-X markets** for sustainable chemicals and for sustainable maritime and aviation fuels.

Importing sustainable methanol or synthetic fuels from places with cheap renewables is more cost-effective than producing them in Germany.

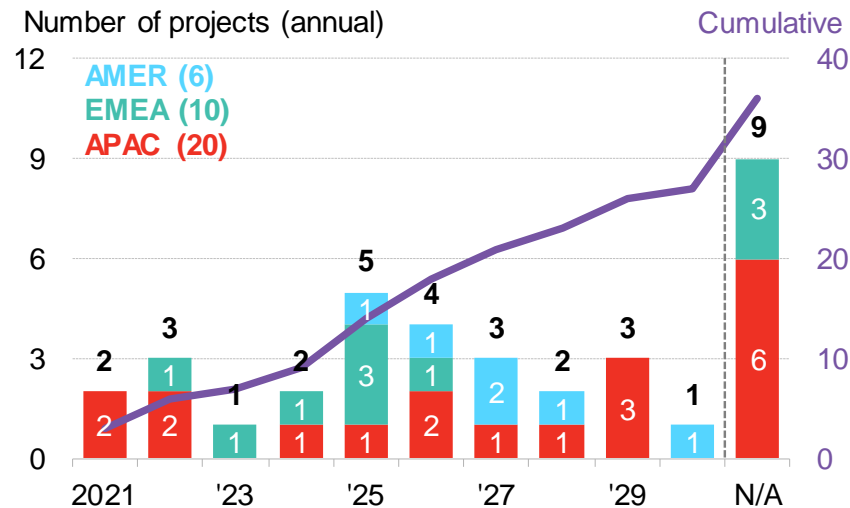
Announced pipeline of H₂ shipping projects

By segment



Source: BloombergNEF

By region



Source: BloombergNEF



Test your knowledge

“What is the best option to store large quantities of H₂?”

“What is the biggest challenge to store H₂?”

4.2. Storage

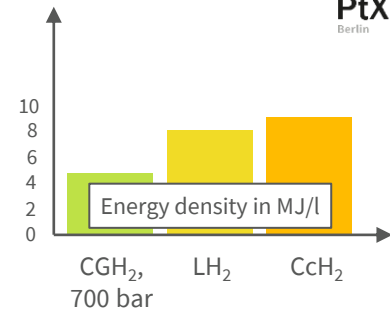
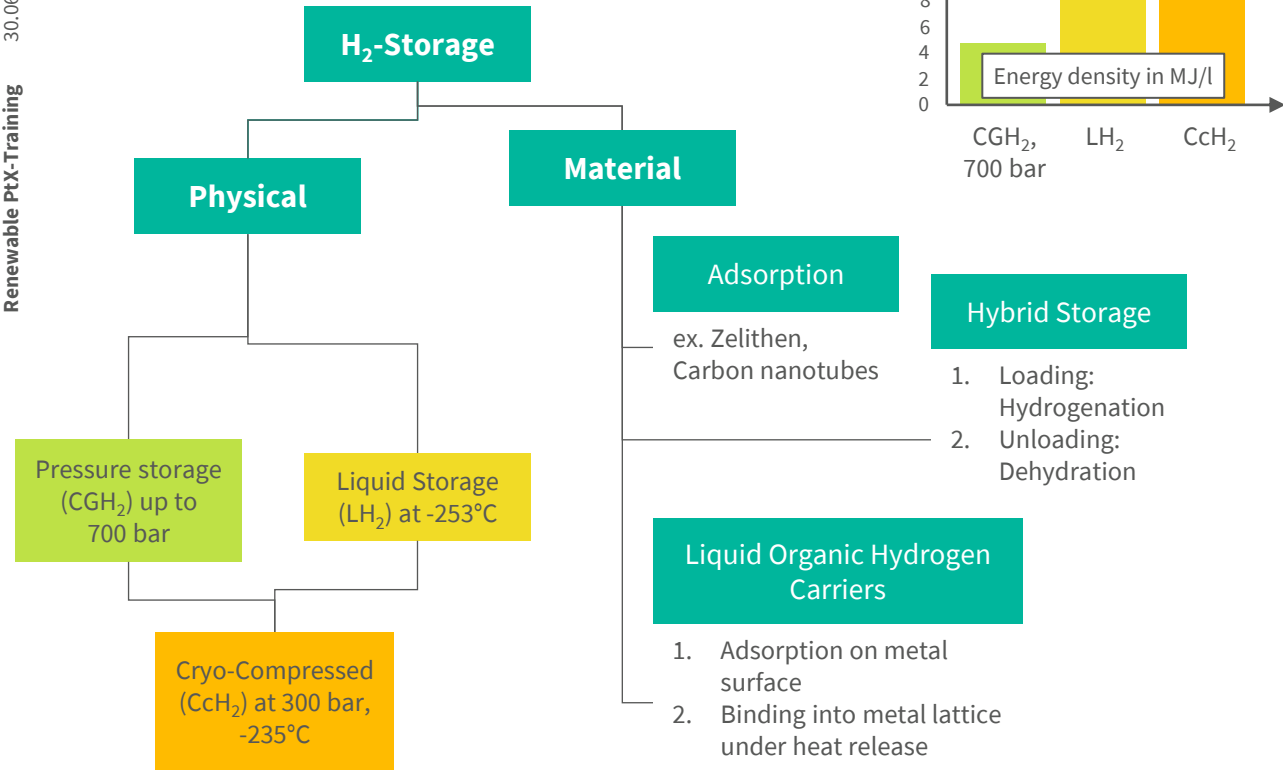
Hydrogen storage options

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Source: Prof. Dr.-Ing. B. Eppler

Innovative Energieumwandlungsprozesse – Energy Systems and Technology TU Darmstadt, Stoffliche Nutzung von Synthesegas.



Bildquelle: EWE Gasspeicher



Note: Schematic illustration of an existing cavern in northern Germany. Several caverns are brought together at a cavern head from where the stored gas is distributed to the grid and, if necessary, cleaned and dried beforehand.

Source: DLR, Wasserstoff als ein Fundament der Energiewende
Teil 1: Technologien und Perspektiven für eine nachhaltige und
ökonomische Wasserstoffversorgung, 09/2020, p. 27/fig. 22.

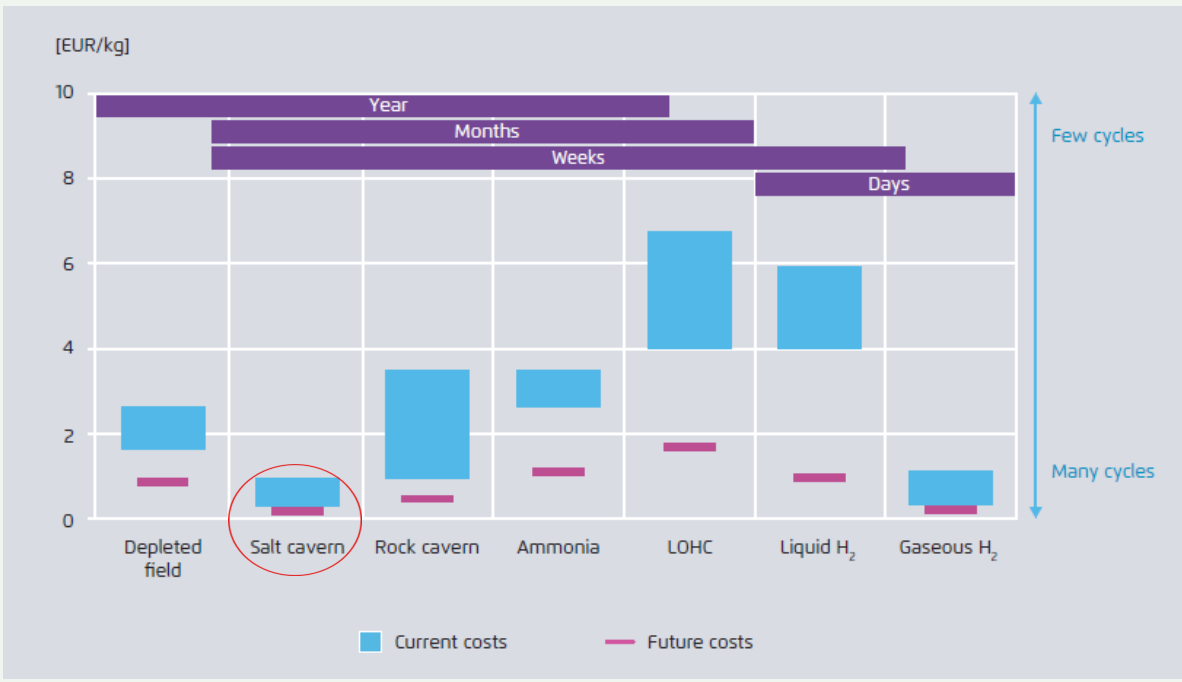
4.2. Storage

Levelised cost of hydrogen storage

Geological storage is the **cheapest** form of **large-scale** hydrogen storage

BUT: Low cost, large-scale options like salt caverns are geographically limited

Cost of using alternative liquid storage technologies often greater than cost of producing H₂ in the first place



4.2. Storage

Comparison of hydrogen storage options

	Gaseous state				Liquid state			Solid state
	Salt caverns	Depleted gas fields	Rock caverns	Pressurized containers	Liquid hydrogen	Ammonia	LOHCs	Metal hydrides
Main usage (volume and cycling)	Large volumes, months-weeks	Large volumes, seasonal	Medium volumes, months-weeks	Small volumes, daily	Small - medium volumes, days-weeks	Large volumes, months-weeks	Large volumes, months-weeks	Small volumes, days-weeks
Benchmark LCOS (\$/kg) ¹	\$0.23	\$1.90	\$0.71	\$0.19	\$4.57	\$2.83	\$4.50	Not evaluated
Possible future LCOS ¹	\$0.11	\$1.07	\$0.23	\$0.17	\$0.95	\$0.87	\$1.86	Not evaluated
Geographical availability	Limited	Limited	Limited	Not limited	Not limited	Not limited	Not limited	Not limited

Delivered cost of green H₂ of around \$2/kg (\$15/MMBtu*) in 2030 and \$1/kg (\$7.4/MMBtu*) in 2050 in China, India and Western Europe achievable.

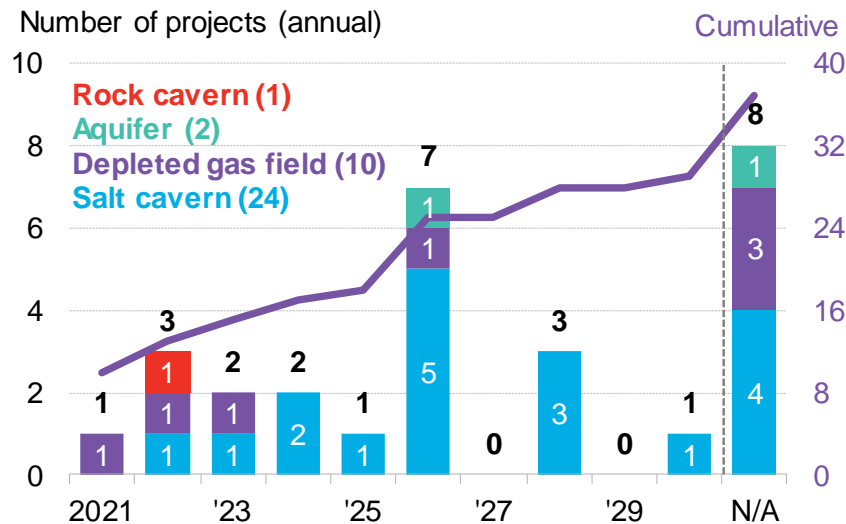
***1 MWh H₂ = 3.4 MMBtu H₂**

Costs could be 20-25% lower in countries with best renewable and hydrogen storage resources, i.e. *USA, Brazil, Australia, Scandinavia and Middle East*

Source: BloombergNEF, Hydrogen Economy Outlook, 2020, p.3/table1.

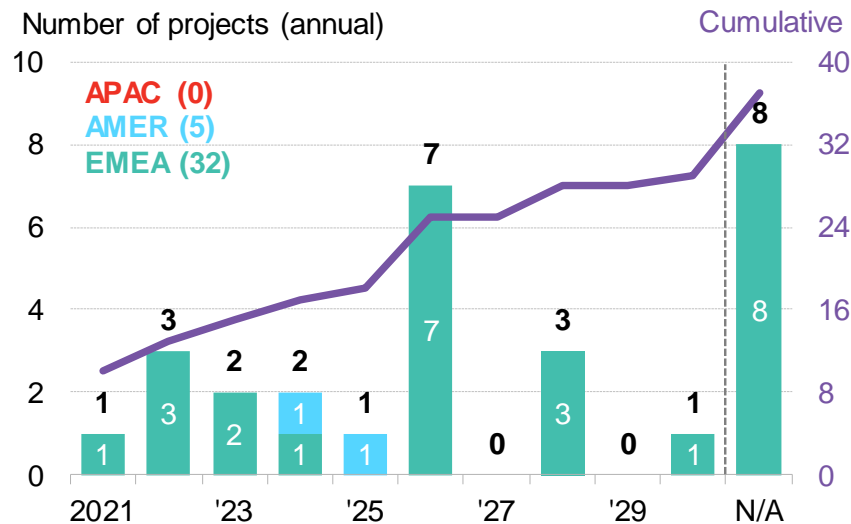
Announced pipeline of underground H₂ storage projects

By segment



Source: BloombergNEF

By region



Source: BloombergNEF

MODULE 4: Key messages

Transport Options

- Overview **three main H2 supply chains**
- **Transport costs** of H2 are based on distance and volume, H2 pipelines and compressed H2 for smaller quantities and distances cheaper than liquid organic H2 carriers. **Transportation options of electricity or H2 depends on end-use, renewable electricity price and distance**
- **Import** of ammonia, methanol or synthetic fuel **will most likely always be cheaper than production** in Germany and even in most other European countries

Storage Options

- **Storing H2 in large quantities** will be one of the most **significant challenges** for a future H2 economy **especially for countries and regions that need to store it, e.g. for heating purposes in winter times**.. At the same time, the complex storage and distribution (expensive, energy-intensive) of H2 is one of the biggest disadvantages of the technology as direct energy storage
- **Storage costs depend on kind of storage and number of cycles** for its use, further **cost reduction** is expected





Open discussion

“What are the best transport and storage options for your country?”

Module 5

Markets for Renewable PtX



PtX's Way

- Hydrogen value chain
- Importance of electrification first



Marginal Abatement Cost Curve



Classification of the Transition Need

- Classification: No regret options

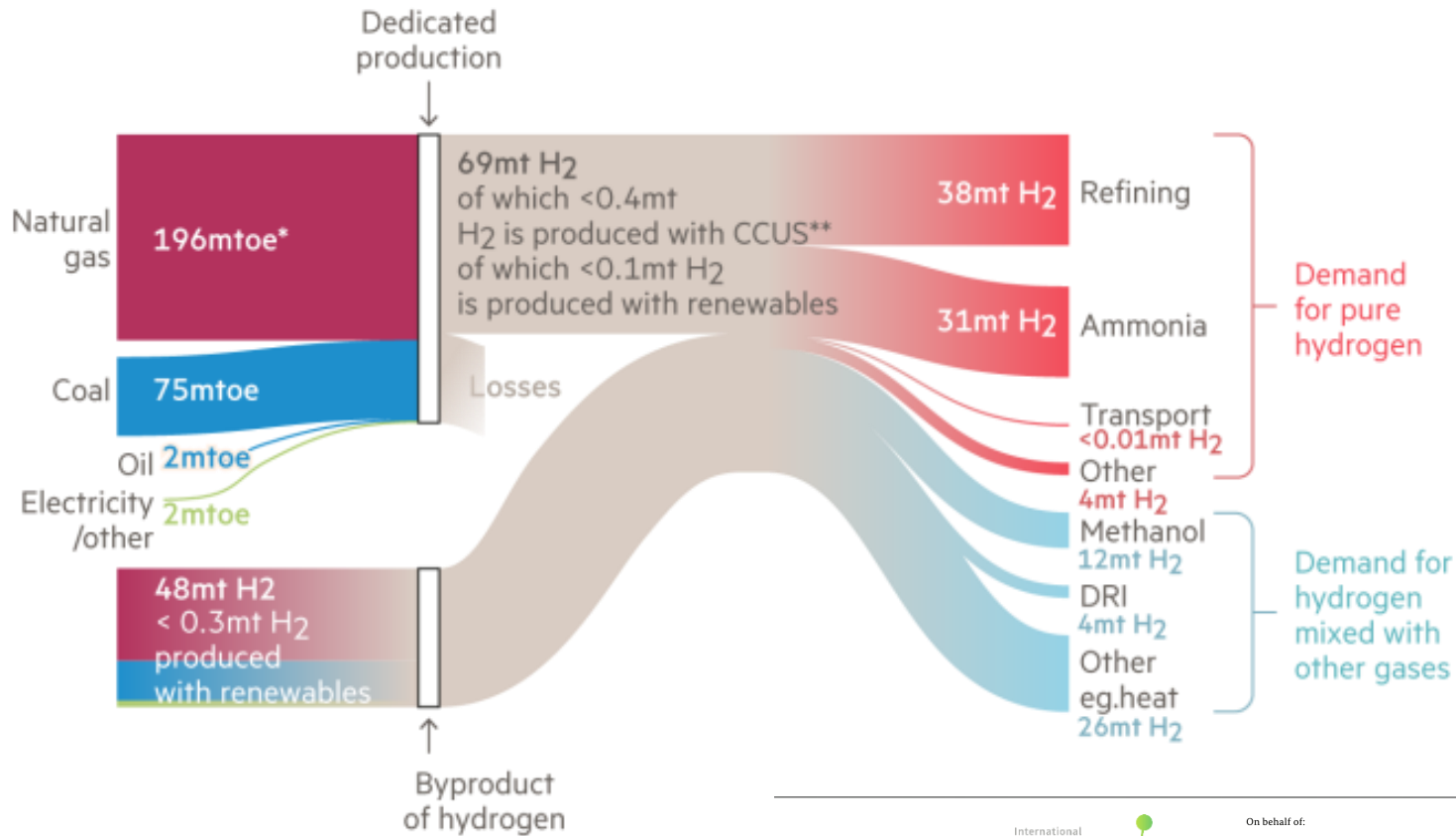


Example Sector Cases

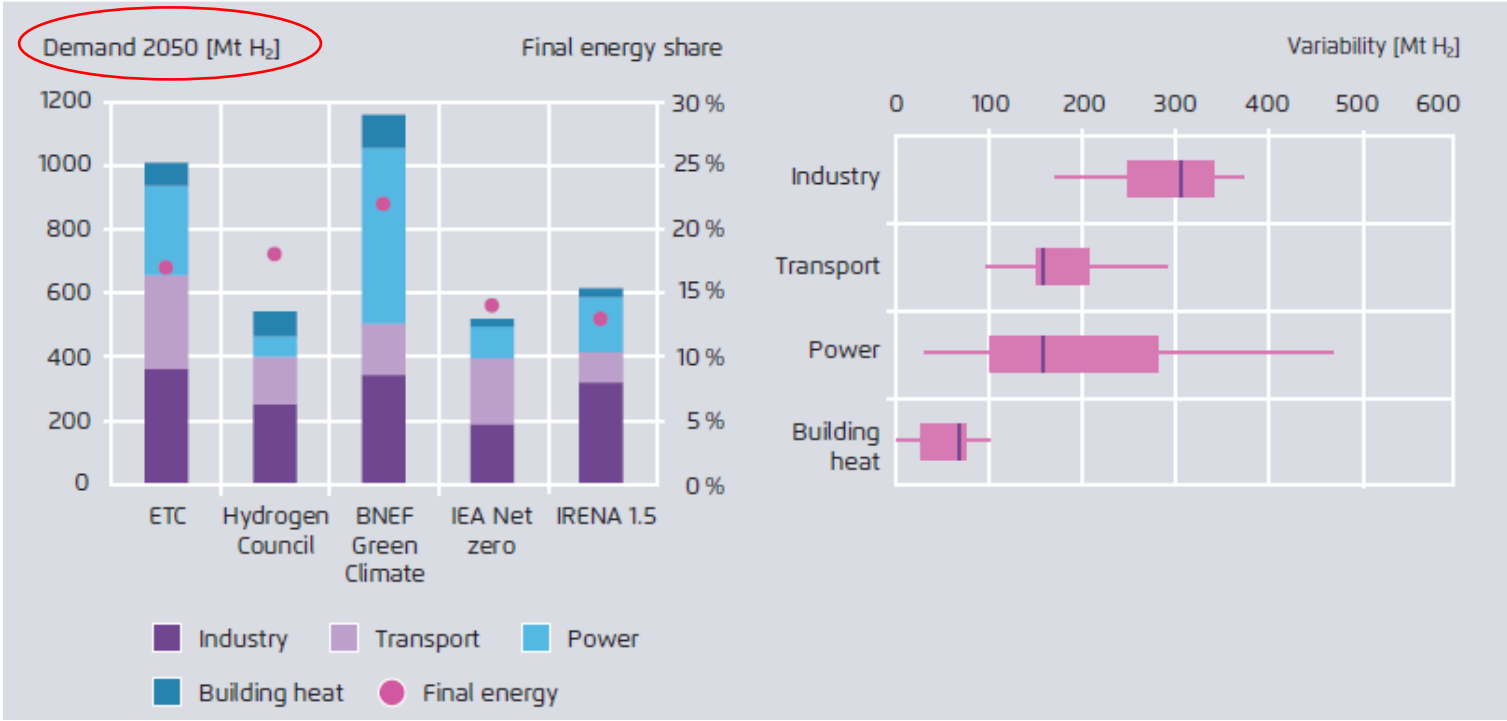
- Steel industry
- PtL for aviation

159 Today's hydrogen value chains

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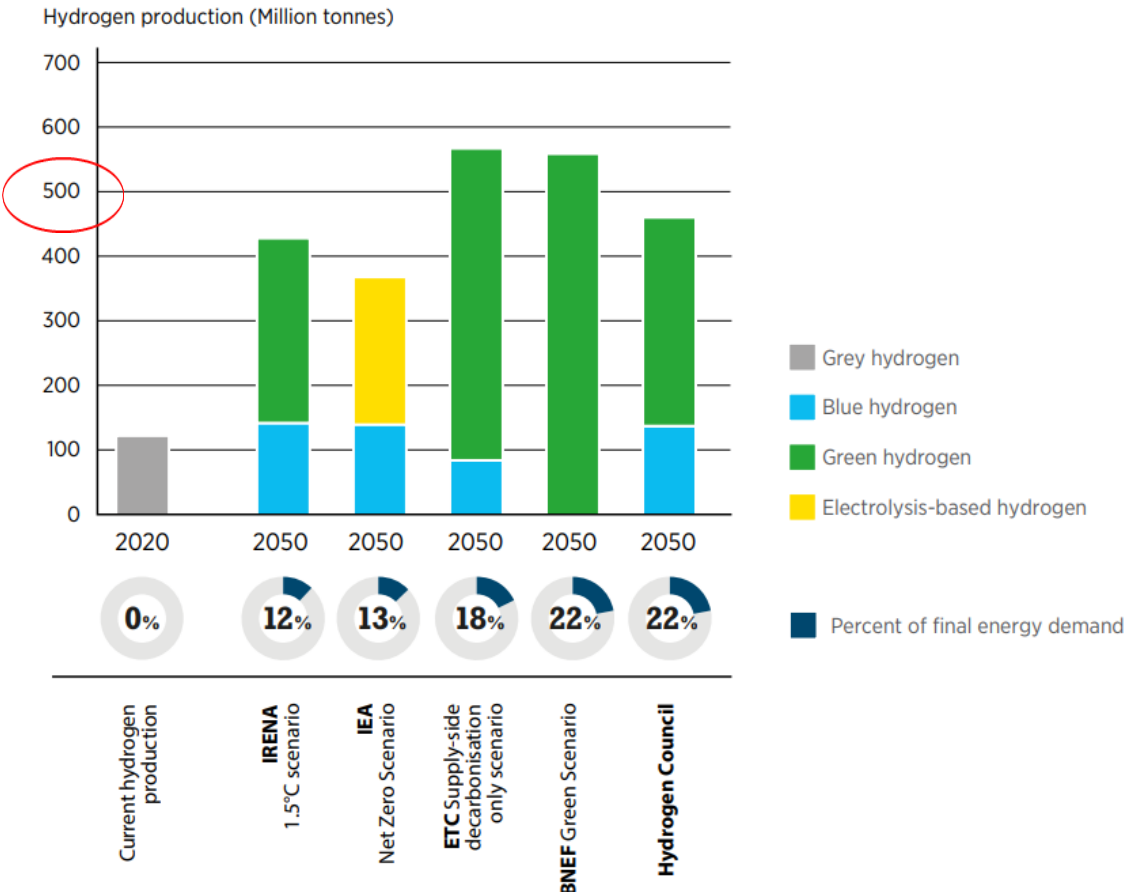


Everyone agrees that hydrogen is key to industrial decarbonisation



Note: Final energy does not include feedstocks and other non-energy use.

Estimates of global H2 demand for 2050 converge to 500 Mio t H2/a



Source: IRENA, Geopolitics of the Energy Transformation The Hydrogen Factor, p.20/fig.1.1., 2022

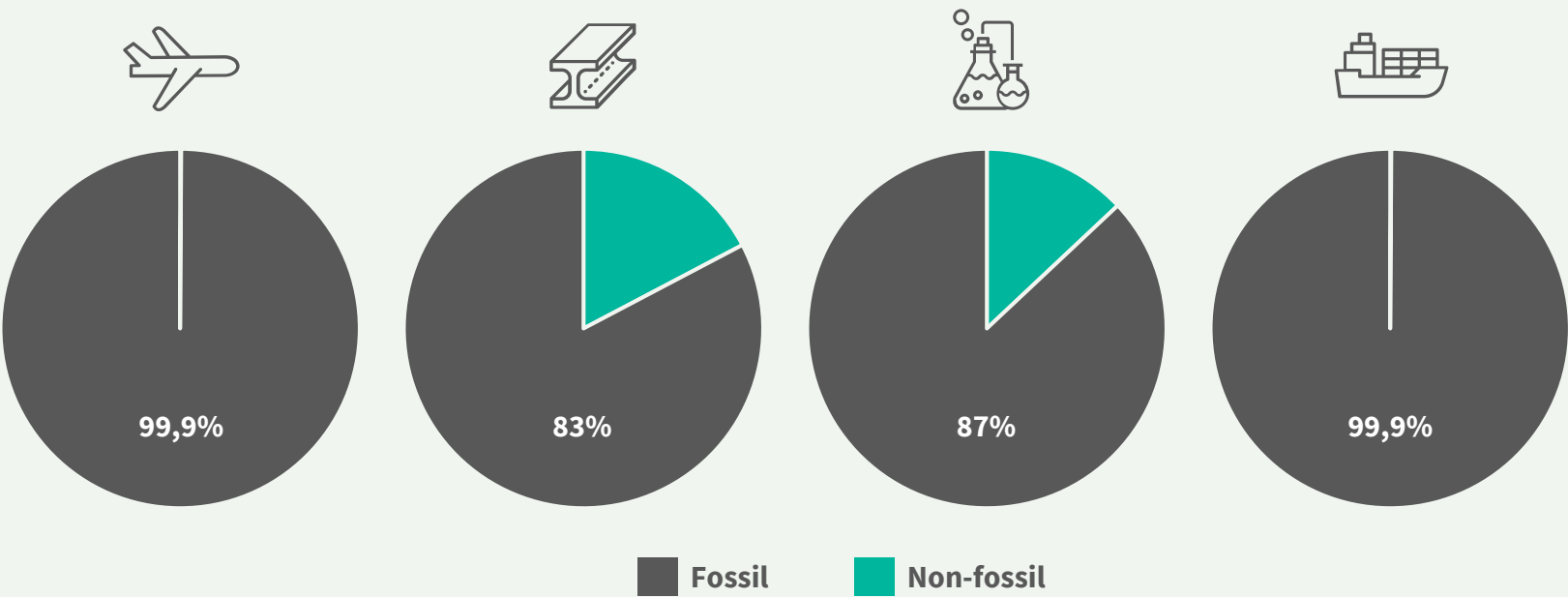


Test your knowledge

“Which sectors have the largest potential for renewable PtX in your country in the long run?”

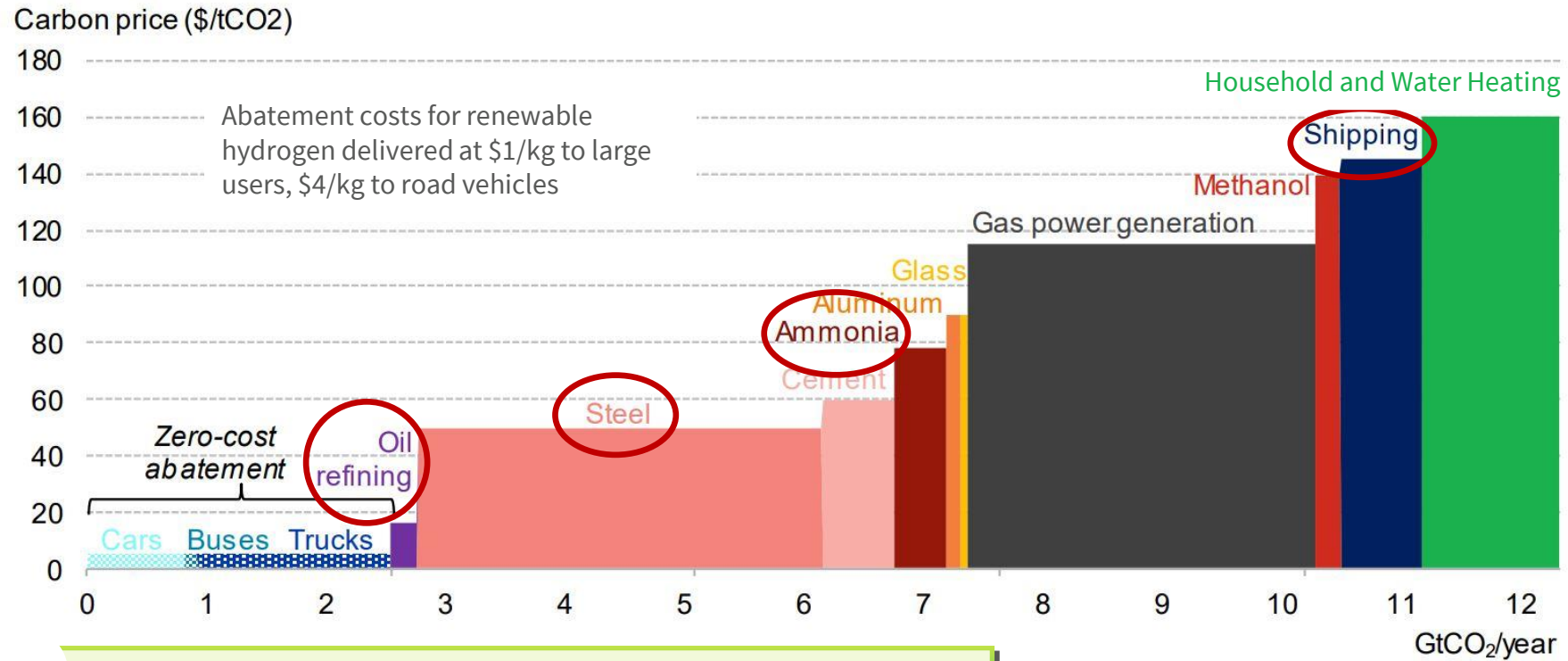
“In which sectors would you use renewable PtX products *FIRST* in your country?”

Industrial sectors still use fossil sources - But where to start?



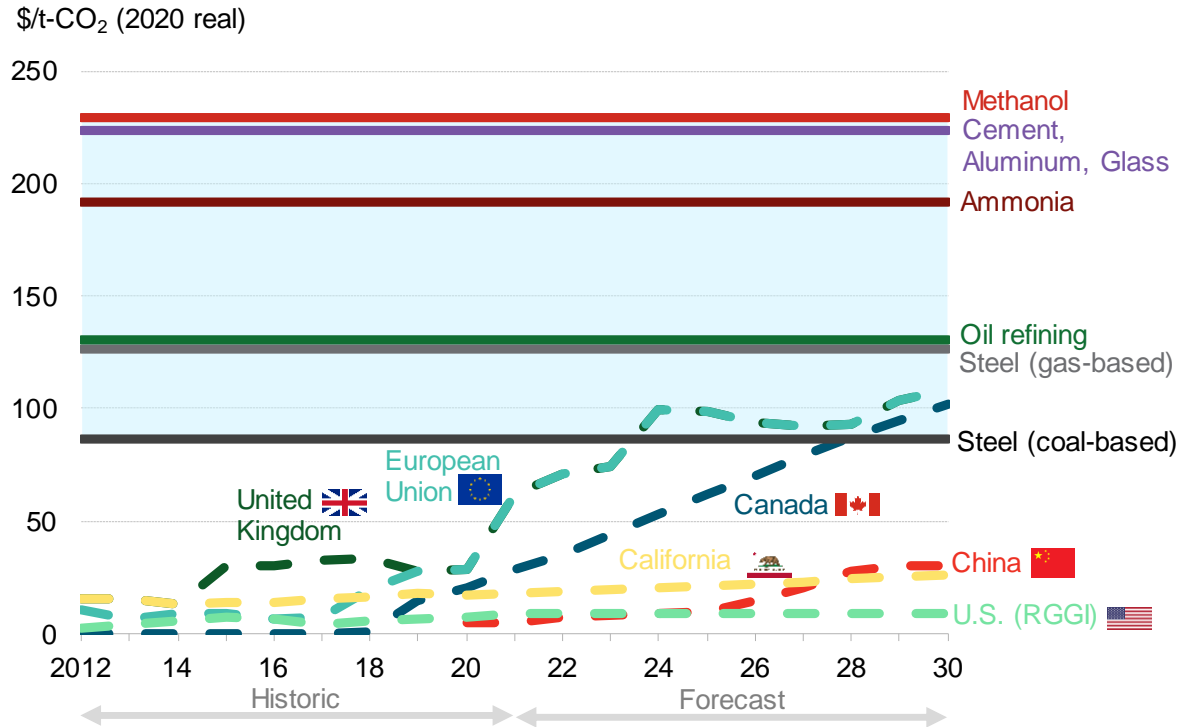
1. Step: Create a country-specific marginal abatement cost curve to determine your priorities

Global marginal abatement cost curve for CO₂ assuming \$1/kg for H₂ in 2050



With your country specific curve you can see potential CO₂ savings and required CO₂ price in the sectors of your country.

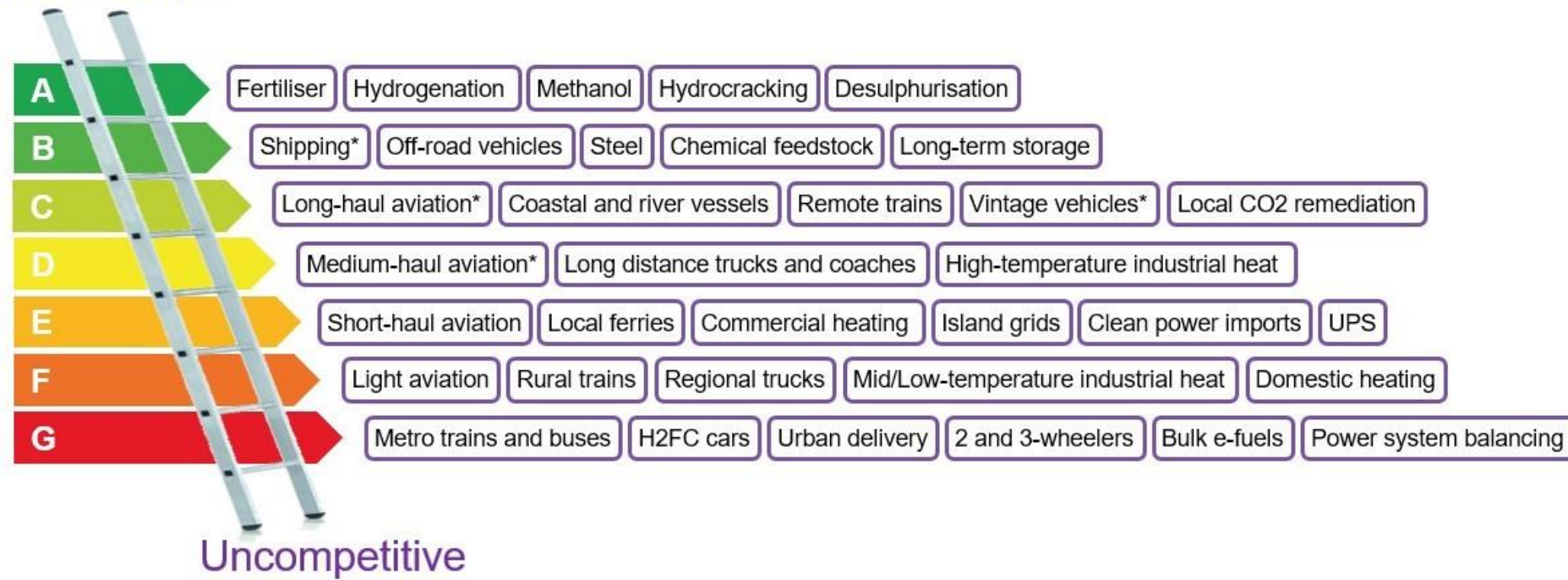
Carbon prices around the world



Source: BloombergNEF

2. Step: Check the clean hydrogen ladder

Unavoidable







* Via ammonia or e-fuel rather than H2 gas or liquid

Source: Liebreich Associates (concept credit: Adrian Hiel/Energy Cities)

3. Step: Start with the no regret options first!

→ They may be different for each country!

Green molecules needed?	Industry 	Transport 	Power sector 	Buildings 
No-regret	<ul style="list-style-type: none">· Reaction agents (DRI steel)· Feedstock (ammonia, chemicals)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">· Long-haul aviation· Maritime shipping	<ul style="list-style-type: none">· Renewable energy back-up depending on wind and solar share and seasonal demand structure	<ul style="list-style-type: none">· Heating grids (residual heat load *)
Controversial	<ul style="list-style-type: none">· High-temperature heat	<ul style="list-style-type: none">· Trucks and buses **· Short-haul aviation and shipping· Trains ***	<ul style="list-style-type: none">· Absolute size of need given other flexibility and storage options	
Bad Idea	<ul style="list-style-type: none">· Low-temperature heat	<ul style="list-style-type: none">· Cars· Light-duty vehicles		<ul style="list-style-type: none">· Building-level heating

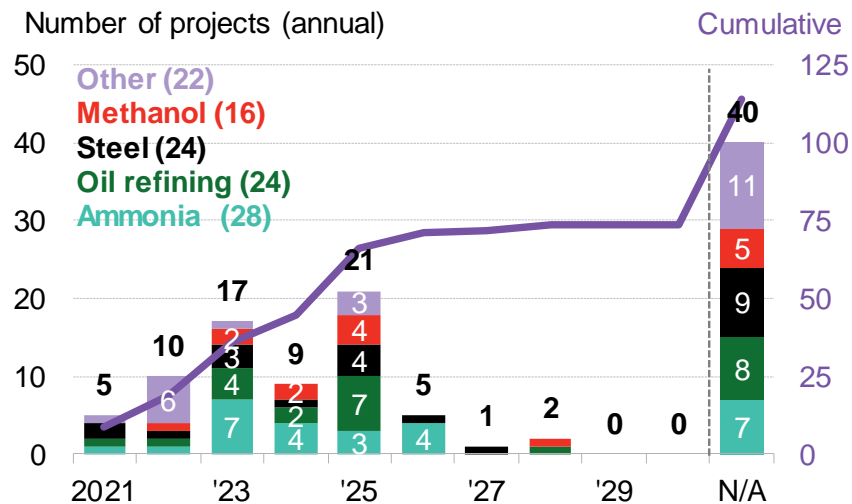
* After using renewable energy, ambient and waste heat as much as possible. Especially relevant for large existing district heating systems with high flow temperatures. Note that according to the UNFCCC Common Reporting Format, district heating is classified as being part of the power sector.

** Series production currently more advanced on electric than on hydrogen for heavy duty vehicles and buses. Hydrogen heavy duty to be deployed at this point in time only in locations with synergies (ports, industry clusters).

*** Depending on distance, frequency and energy supply options

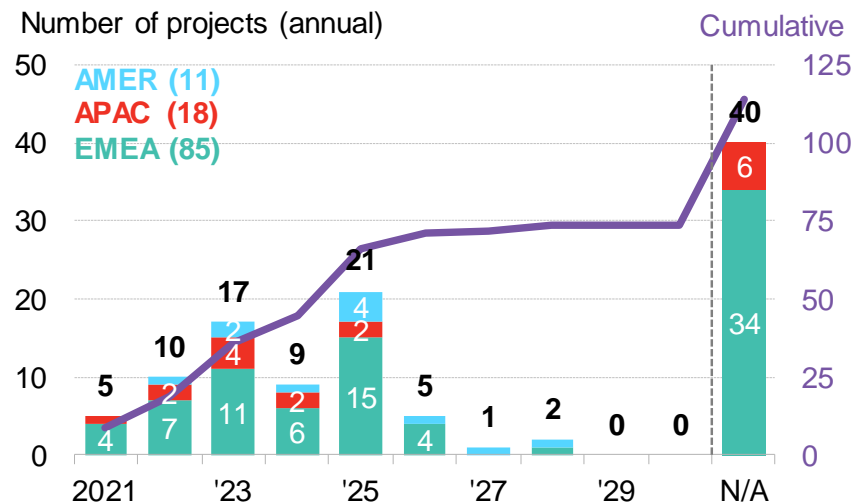
Announced pipeline of industrial hydrogen projects

By segment



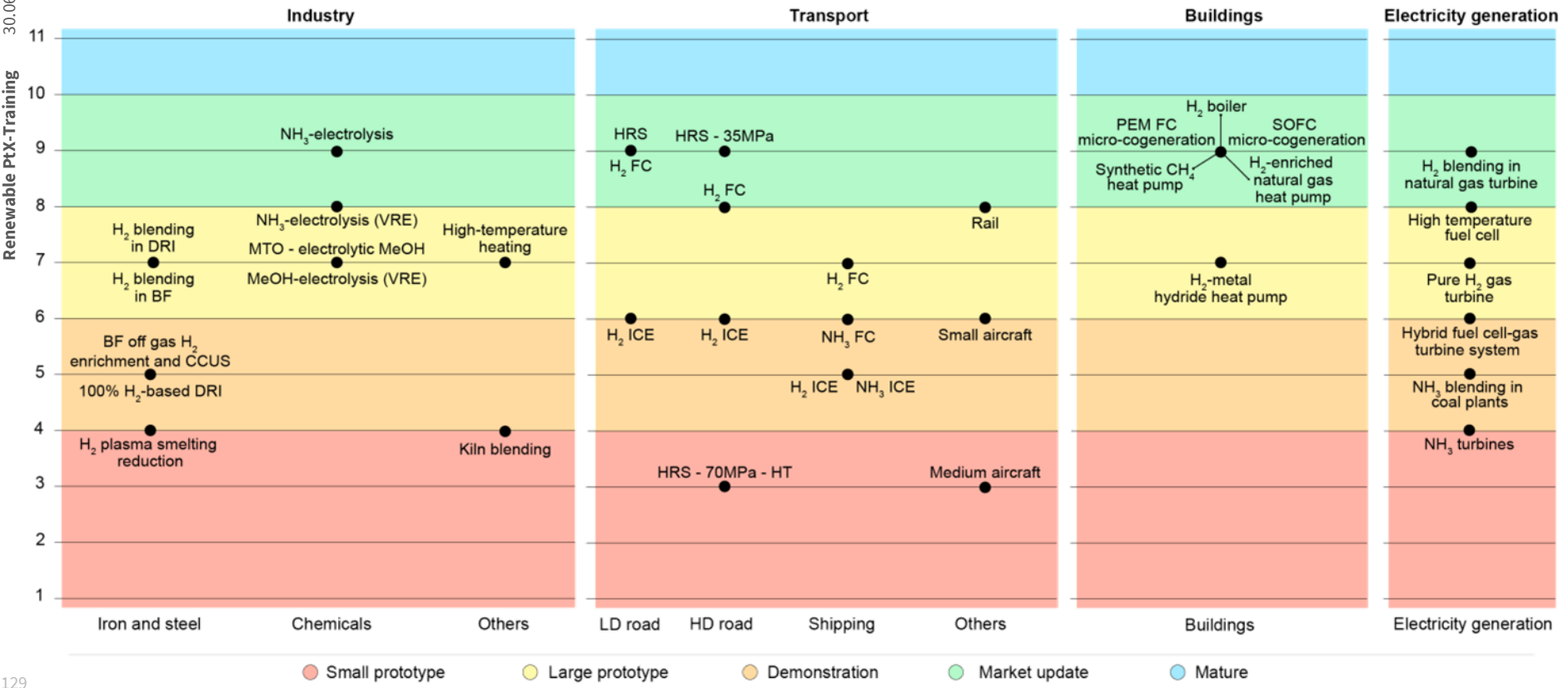
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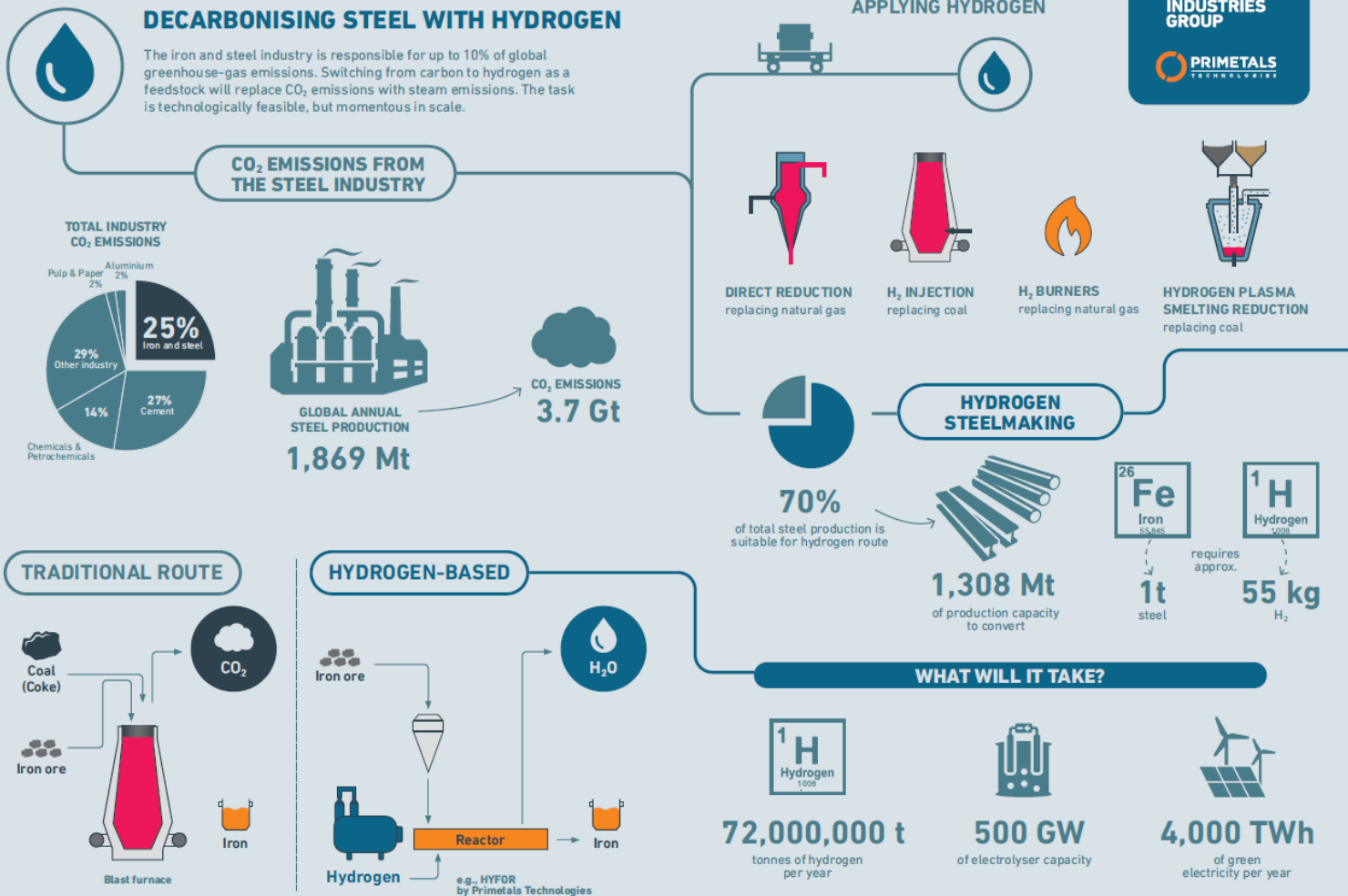
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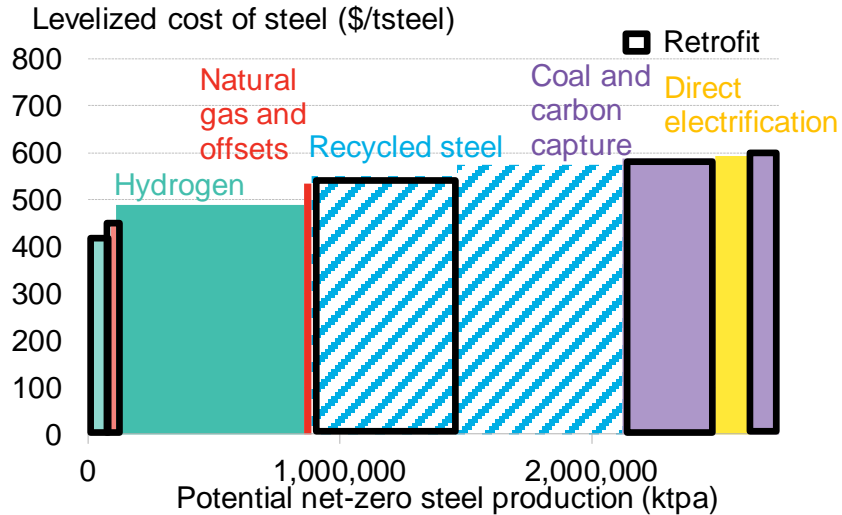
6. Step: Consider technology readiness levels of key PtX production, storage and distribution technologies





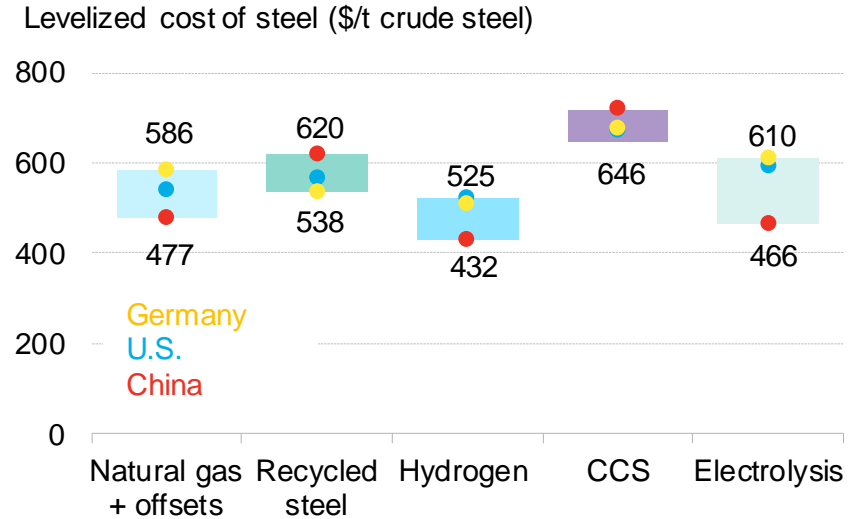
Net-zero steel, 2050

Potential supply curve for net-zero steel



Source: BloombergNEF. Note: This analysis assumes a least-cost scenario with a mandate for near net-zero steel.

Cost of net-zero steelmaking routes



Source: BloombergNEF. Note: CCS is carbon capture and storage.

7. Step: Analyse market in your country! Example from marginal cost curve: Green steel in Germany



Maximum CO₂ reduction in Germany

2030

14 Mio. t CO₂/a

2050

50 Mio. t CO₂/a

2030: Direct reduction with natural gas and 7,5% blend of green hydrogen



CO₂ avoidance costs in Germany

2030

60–99 €/t CO₂

2050

85–144 €/t CO₂

2030: 60 €/t CO₂ at 100% natural gas-based direct reduction
99 €/t CO₂ for direct reduction with hydrogen

- **Cost of t crude steel:**
659 \$/t (20.12.2019)
= 557,15 €/t
- Additional costs for a car from low-carbon steel
~ **500 €/car**
- Is that too much for a car that costs 50 000 €?

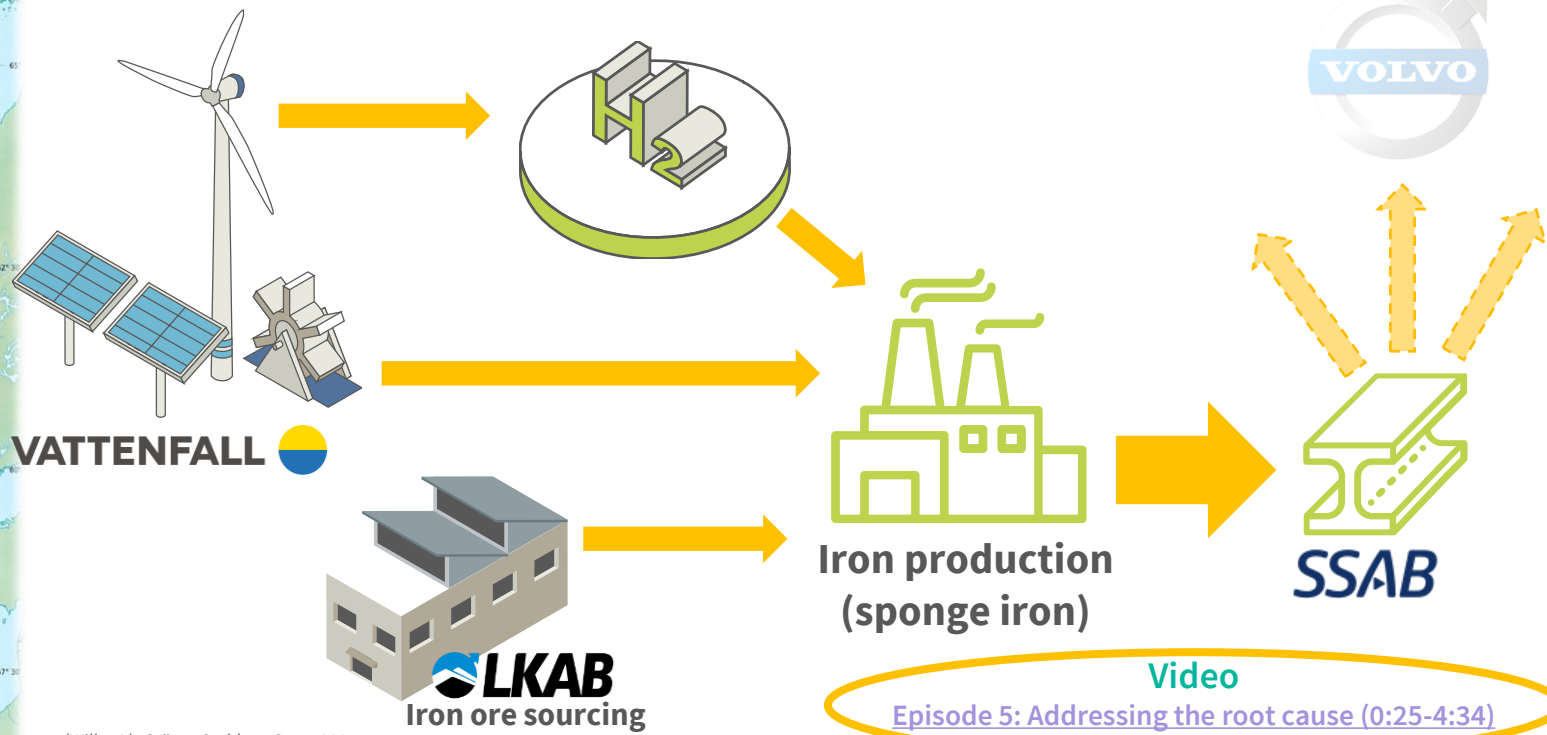
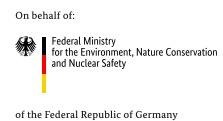


Green steel production

[Fossil free steel production: This is HYBRIT - YouTube](#)

Climate friendly steel in Sweden

Goal: Production of green steel on an industrial scale from 2026 and capacity of **2.7 million tons of steel raw material by 2030** + **reduction** of Sweden's **CO₂ emissions by min. 10%** (long-term)



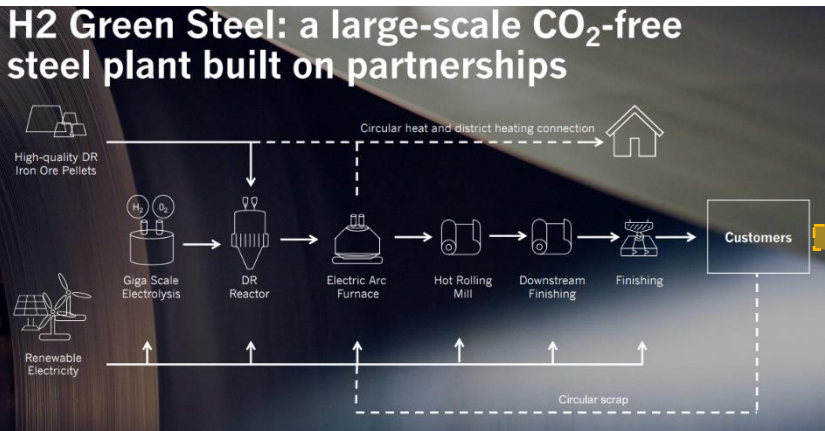
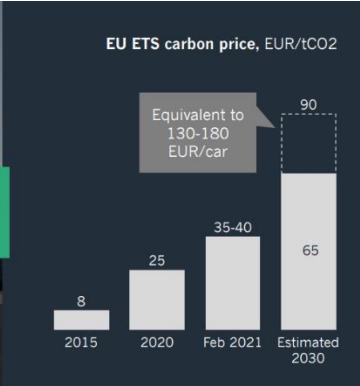
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Premium Markets for Green Steel

H2 Green Steel Initiative

Key drivers for green steel customer demand

- Consumer awareness
- Disclosure of CO₂ emissions
- Regulatory pressure
- A trillion dollar market potential



Ramp up to 5mt of green steel by 2030

- Q1 2021:** Closing of series A financing €50m
- Q4 2021:** Closing of series B financing €2.5bn
- 2026:** Full production of 2.5mt hot- and cold-rolled steel reached
- 2026-2030:** Expansion – ramp up to full 5mt capacity by 2030
- H1 2022:** Construction start (pending permits)
- 2024:** Production start
- 2030:** Yearly production of 5mt fossil-free steel

Mercedes-Benz to use green steel in vehicles in 2025, reducing its carbon footprint.

CO₂ intensive steel production (Today)

CO₂ free steel (Tomorrow)

Example: Decarbonising the German steel industry

Impact on power and product costs

Increase in electricity demand?

Production cost of **1kg H₂**:
3.6-5.3 €/kg, using **50-55 kWh**

→ **50 kg** of H₂ required to produce **1 t of steel**

Germany (EU's largest steel producer):
100 TWh of RE needed to fully decarbonise
annual production of **42 Mt of steel**

→ This **100 TWh** of additional RE demand
→ **20 % increase in total electricity demand
in Germany!**

*To compare: Solar park Benban (Egypt): 3800
GWh/ year; land use 37.2 km² → that is 3.8% of
electricity needed to decarbonise German steel
industry*

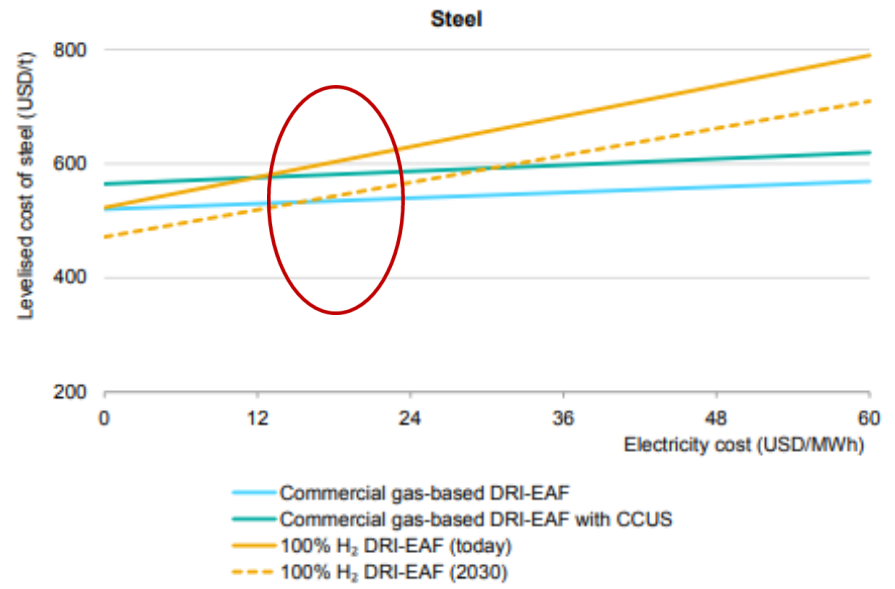
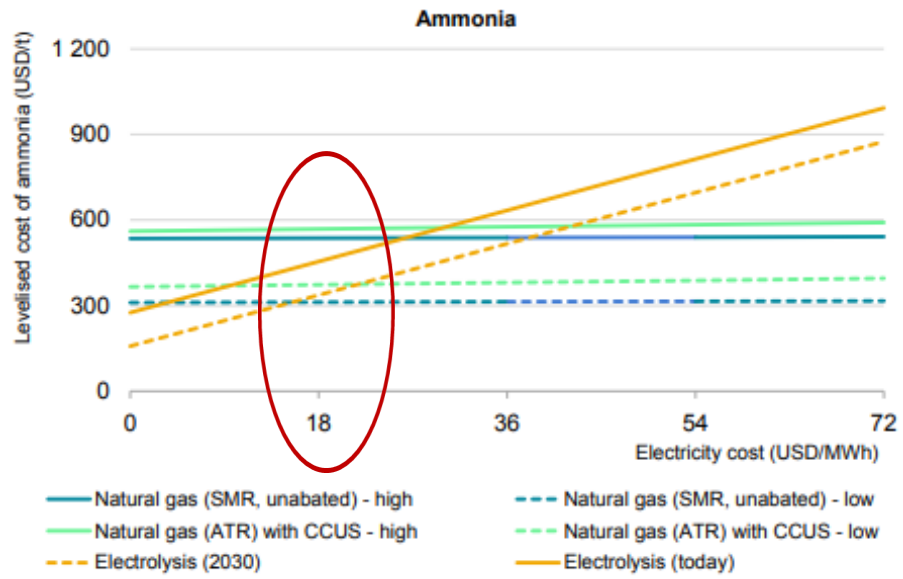
Increase in steel production costs?

Price of 1t steel: around €400, incl. €50 required
for the coal used

@ 3.6 €/kg H₂:
Replacing coal with H₂ costs extra 180 €/t steel
→ **1/3 increase of total price**

@ 1.80 €/kg H₂ (2030):
Price difference would drop approx. 10%

Cost sensitivities for ammonia and steel production



Notes: SMR = steam methane reforming. ATR = autothermal reforming. DRI-EAF = direct reduced iron - electric arc furnace.
CCUS = carbon capture, utilisation and storage.

Australian H₂ ship maker to develop 2.8 GW green facility



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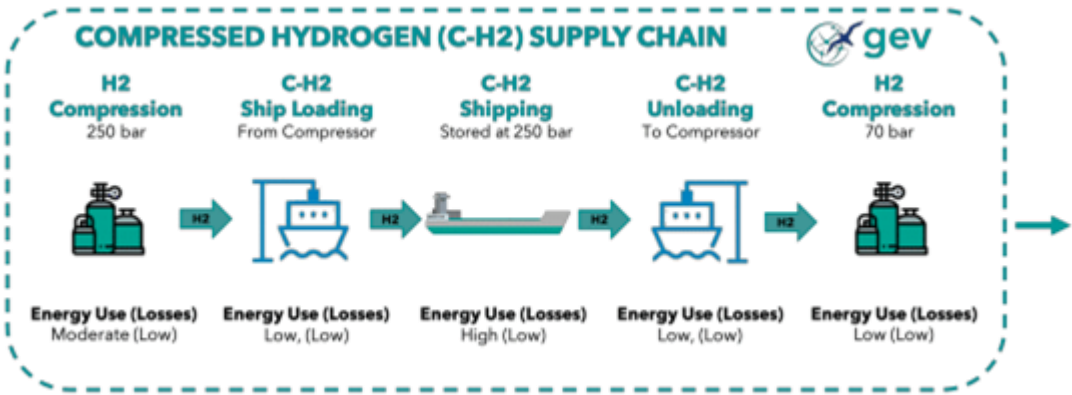
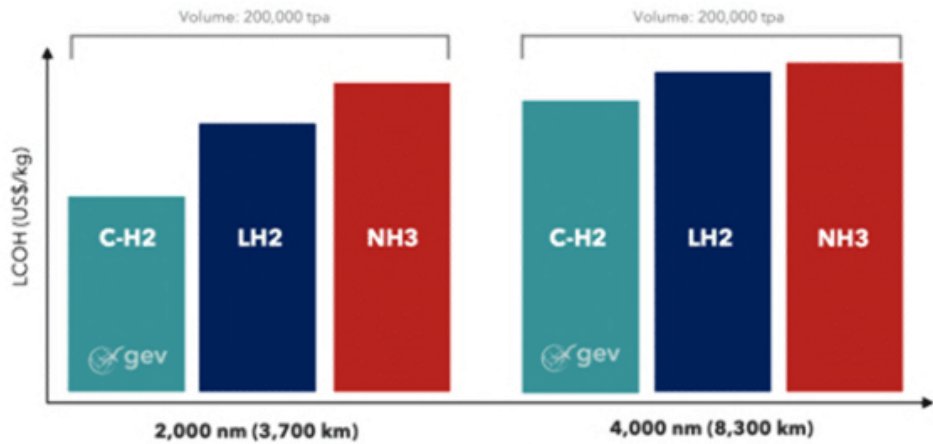


Figure 1: Levelised Cost of Hydrogen (LCOH)



Source: (1) PV Magazine, Australian hydrogen ship maker to develop 2.8 GW green facility, 10/2021.
(2) PV Magazine, Compressed green hydrogen ship for Aussie exports deemed 'highly competitive', 03/2021.



Remote base load Power Plant using Hydrogen

CEOG in French Guiana

French Guiana:

CEOG Renewable Power Plant

Centrale Electrique de l'Ouest Guyanais (CEOG) is an optimised combination of a **solar park**, a **hydrogen long-term energy storage** and a **battery (short-term energy storage)** to produce **24/7 baseload power**

- **55 MW PV** solar farm
- **16 MW alkaline electrolyser**, 16 bar
- hydrogen storage unit to store 128MWh
- produce approximately 860t/a
- **fuel cells generate 3 MW** of electricity during night
- The project will also include a battery storage system.

The integrated solar and green hydrogen power plant will deliver

- a fixed electrical output of 10MW from 8am to 8pm
- and 3MW from 8pm to 8am
- Supposed to have lower costs than a diesel power plant



MODULE 5: Key messages

PtX's Way

- Overview of **industrial sectors energy sources**
- **Today limited demand and use of hydrogen.** Hydrogen is mainly used in oil refining and for production of ammonia. In future, **demand will be rising up to an estimate of around 500 Mio. tH₂/a** with industry as main user of hydrogen

Marginal Abatement Cost Curve & Classification of the Transition Need

- There are **some sectors** and applications **where hydrogen will be unavoidable, in others, hydrogen will be not competitive** and hence not suitable to start hydrogen economy – **start with no regret options** and always remember that direct use of electricity comes first

Example Sector Cases

- Steel industry
- PtL for aviation: ProQR Brazil
- Remote Power Plant using Hydrogen



Check out [this video](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ywHJt88H5YQ) in your break:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ywHJt88H5YQ>



Break out group discussion



Module 6

Sustainability Criteria for Renewable PtX



EESG Framework, dimensions:

- Environmental
- Economic
- Social
- Governance



Sustainability Criteria

... along the PtX Value Chain

- Energy
- Sustainable carbon
- Land use
- Water use
- Recycling + critical raw materials



Certification Schemes

The Paris Agreement



Limit temperature increase
to **1.5° Celsius**

Reduce GHG Emissions
to **Net-Zero**

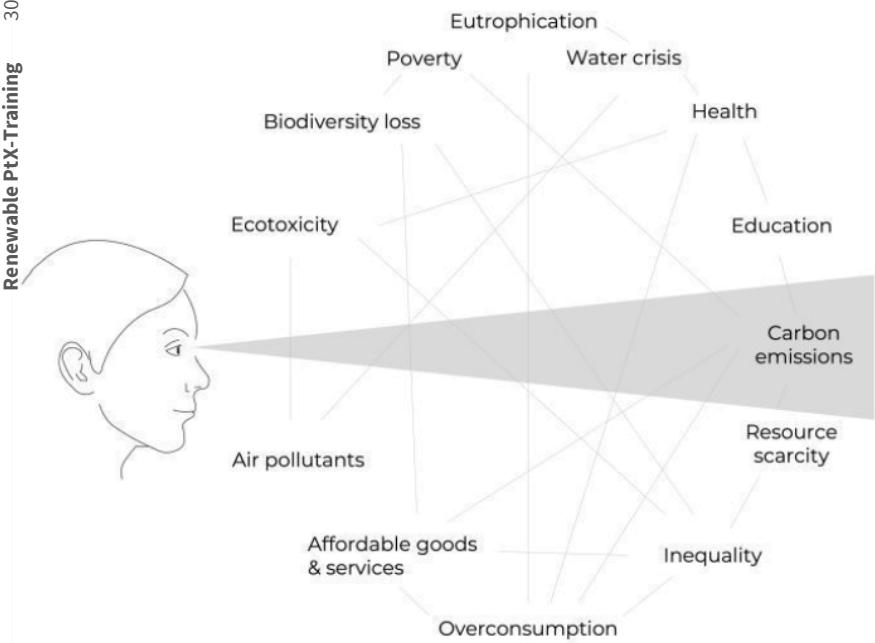


→ *the 1.5° challenge*



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How to get to Paris? - A broader perspective



A Carbon Tunnel Vision is not enough!

Graphic by Jan Konietzko

How to get to Paris? - A broader perspective

17 SDGs for Planet, People and Prosperity



Economy

Prosperity

Society

People

Biosphere

Planet



PtX sustainability dimensions

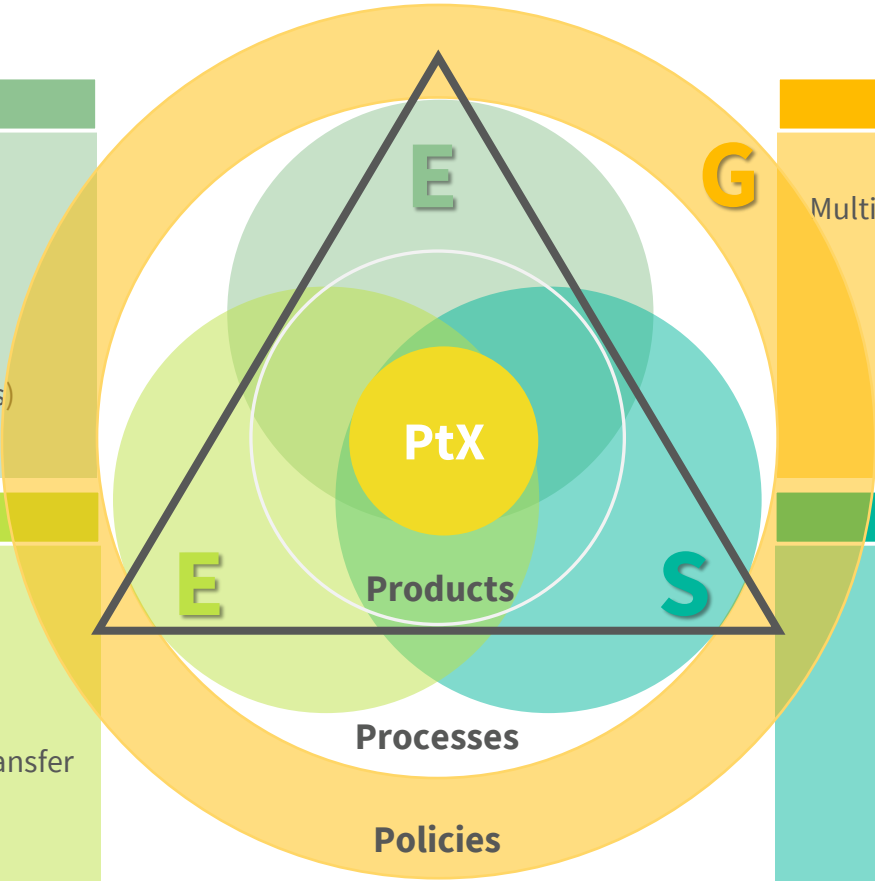
EESG: key for production and use renewable PtX

ENVIRONMENTAL

Energy
Carbon
Water
Land use
Biodiversity
Resources (Critical Raw Materials)

ECONOMIC

Decoupled growth
Local value added
Employment
Energy mix
Innovation, R&D, Technology Transfer
Infrastructure
Circular economy



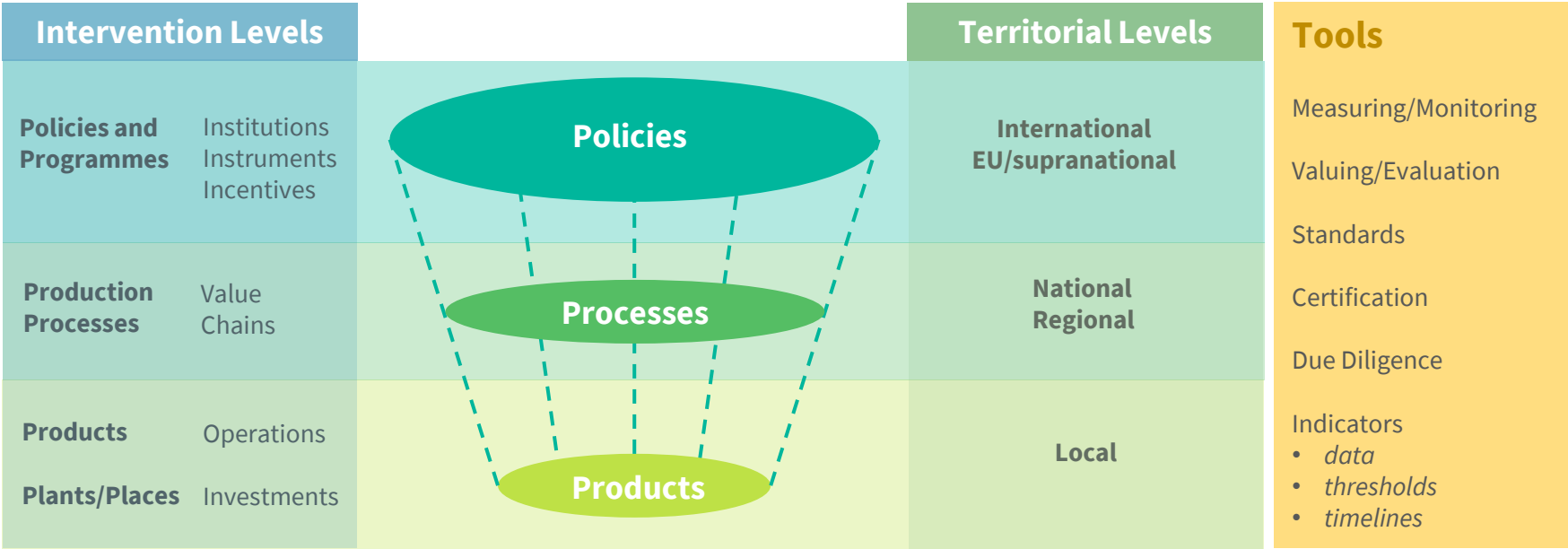
GOVERNANCE

Political situation
Multi-sector + multi-level cooperation
Transparency + Rule of Law
Business environment
Ownership
Stakeholder Participation

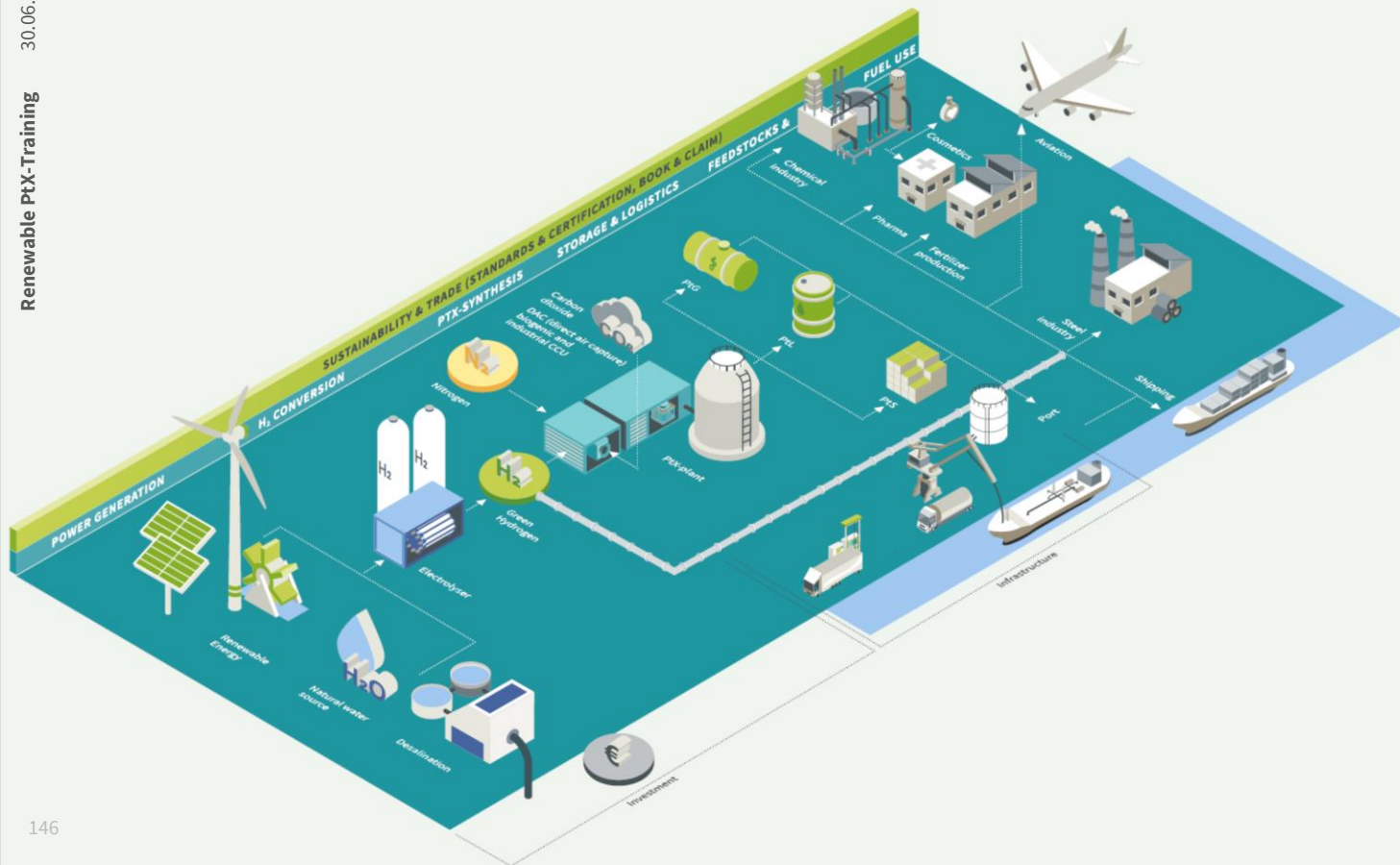
SOCIAL

Energy Poverty + Access
Human rights
Labour standards
Jobs, skills and training
Health and safety
Just Transition

Sustainability concerns must be considered at different assessment levels



Challenge: Application of sustainability standards Towards a comprehensive assessment concept



Sustainability standards

must ensure

- ecosystem integrity
- economic value added
- social inclusion
- decent work and human rights
- transparency
- public acceptance
- financial support

at **different levels and**
at **every step of the value chain**

RISKS

- Prolongation of **fossil structures** and power plants
- **Water** scarcity
- Impairment of **ecosystems**
- **Land use conflicts**
- **Corruption**
- **Debt**
- **Energy poverty**
- Declining local **acceptance** for RE
- Lack of concepts for **recycling** + sustainable use of RE plants

Embedding PtX strategy in SDGs and NDCs



Source: UNESCO, 2021.

CHANCES

- + **Local value creation and jobs**
- + **Competence** gains
- + **FDI**
- + Acceleration of **RE development**
- + Improved **energy access**
- + **Infrastructure** development and reconstruction
- + **Meeting local syn. hydrocarbon demand**
- + Building **long-term partnerships**




Break out group discussion

“Which sustainability challenges need to be addressed in PtX projects in your country?”

“... and how could this be done?”

Environmental Dimensions



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PtX production requires different inputs, from electricity to material inputs. How these are sourced and managed is extremely important in determining the environmental sustainability of the final product.

Energy + Carbon

PtX electricity supply should always be **RENEWABLE + ADDITIONAL and correlated**.
Prioritising carbon sources that guarantee a closed CO₂ cycle. Limitation and phase out of use of industrial point sources.

Water, Land + Biodiversity

Use of water resources should not aggravate regional water risk. Desalination plants should respect strict standards for brine management and electricity supply.
Even though PtX technologies require significantly less land than comparable technologies, the deployment should avoid areas with high carbon stocks or biodiversity potential.

Resources + Recycling

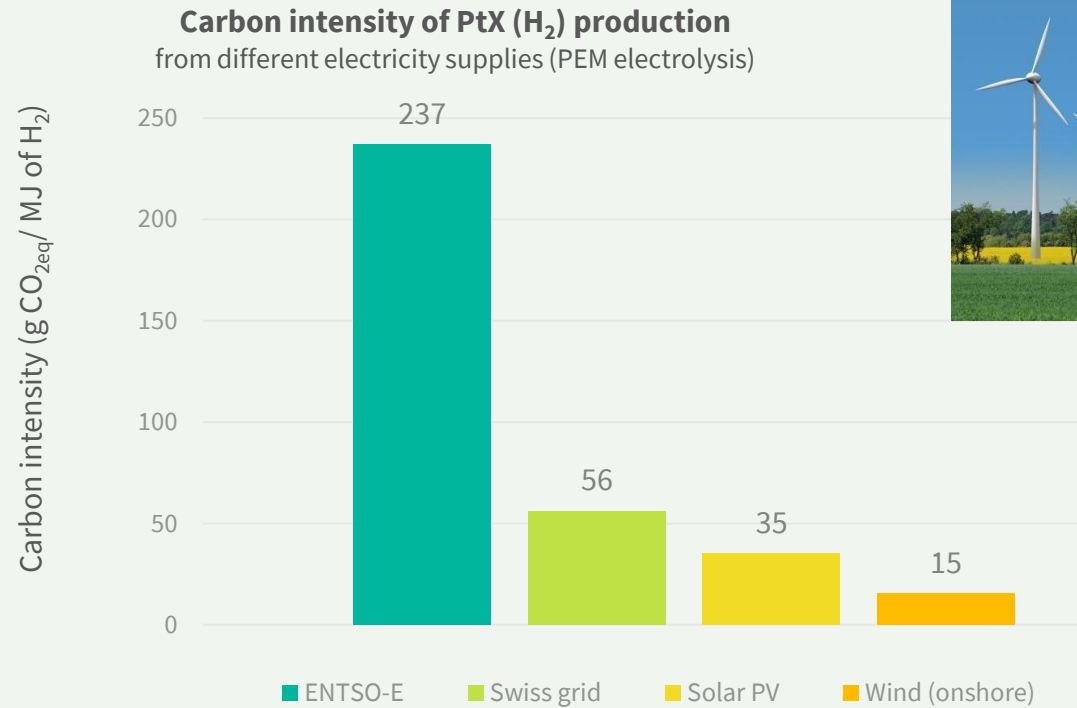
CRM: Reduction of demand of scarce raw materials via prevention, lifetime extension and recycling strategies

Pollution Risks + Safety

PtX production, transport and storage must respect strict anti-pollution and safety standards based on EIA. Emissions linked to transport and storage must be included when assessing PtX carbon intensity.

ELECTRICITY

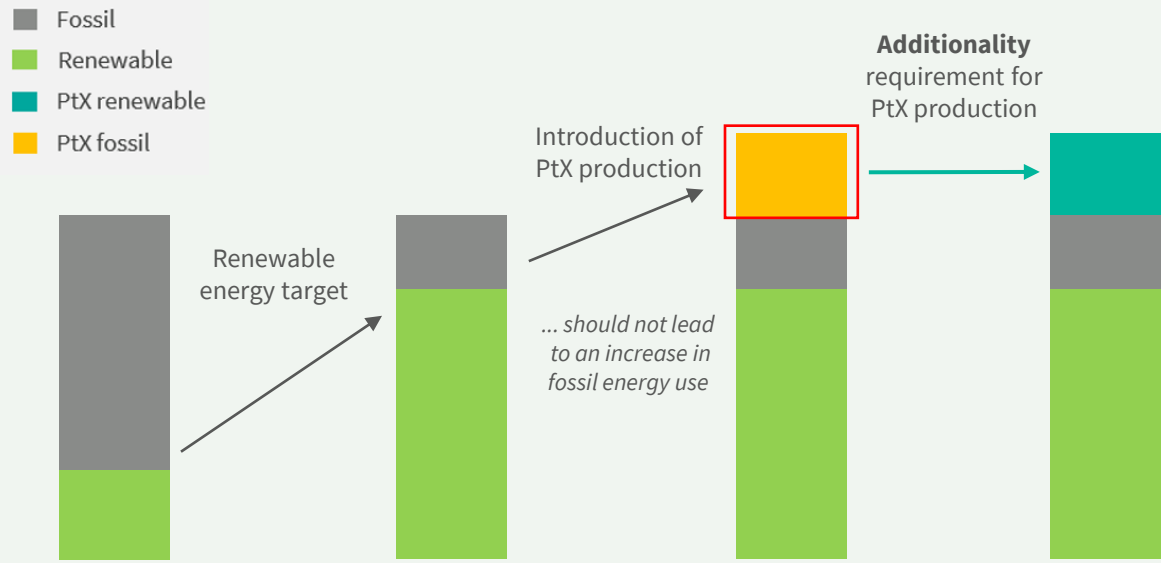
Renewability



ENTSO-E
European Network of
Transmission System
Operators for
Electricity (approx.
41% fossil, 36% RE)

Swiss grid
represents an
electricity mix with a
high share of RE
(predom. hydropower)

ELECTRICITY
Additionality



Additional RE demand for PtX should be integrated in energy and climate strategies (NDCs) → prepare a national plan!

Environmental Dimension

ENERGY

ELECTRICITY

SUMMARY

Carbon footprint of PtX production: **to achieve a 70% emission reduction, approx. 90% of electricity used must be carbon-free**

Renewability

Additionality

Geographical Correlation

Temporal Correlation

Geographical **proximity** between electricity production unit and PtX production unit

PtX products are produced **when contracted RE generation unit is generating electricity**

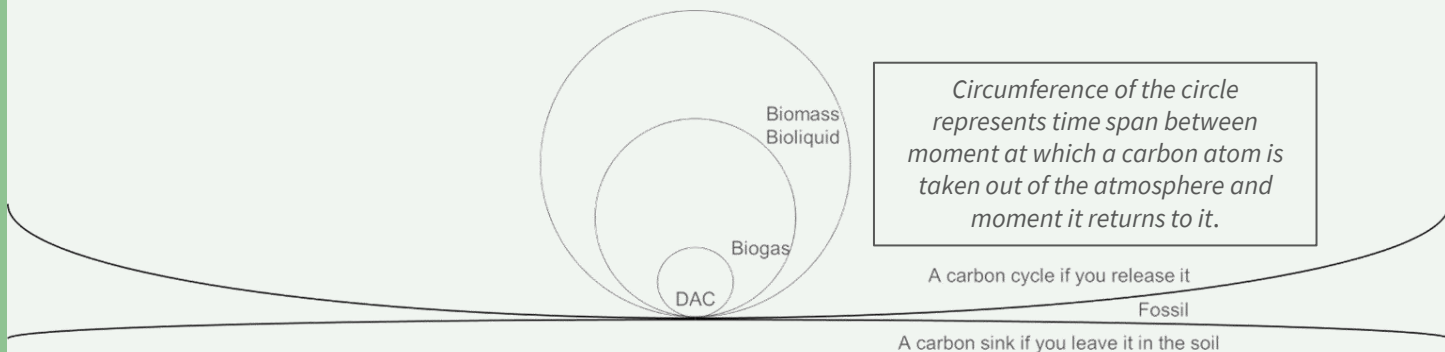
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CARBON: renewable carbon

CARBON

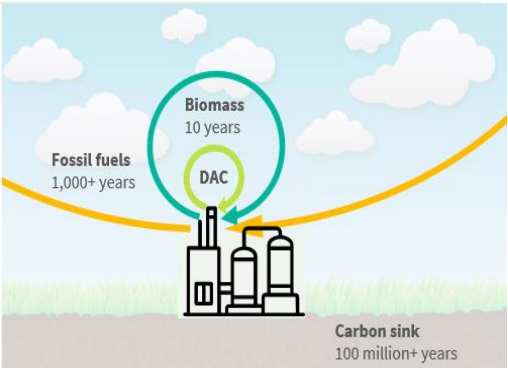
Carbon Cycle

- Needed for the production of **hydrocarbons**
- Can be obtained from **various sources**:
 - **ambient air**
 - **biomass sources**
 - **industrial/geological point sources**
- For PtX products to be **carbon neutral**, a **closed carbon cycle must be in place**
- **The shorter the cycle, the better** → less carbon atoms stay in the atmosphere



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CARBON

CARBON Carbon Cycle	Sources	Closed carbon cycle	Costs	Technology maturity	Scalability	Sustainability issues
	Ambient air (DAC)	✓	High (currently)	Low	High	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Upscaling needs energy requirements (Costs)Land use management
	Biogenic sources	✓	Low, but depend on regional availability	High	Depends	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Land use risk (ILUC) Biodiversity riskEfficient allocation (e.g. biofuels)
	Industrial point sources (CCU)	X	Low	Medium-high	Reduces over time	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Lock-in risks (for fossil technologies)Phase-out trajectoriesContracts only with highly efficient hard to electrify industries



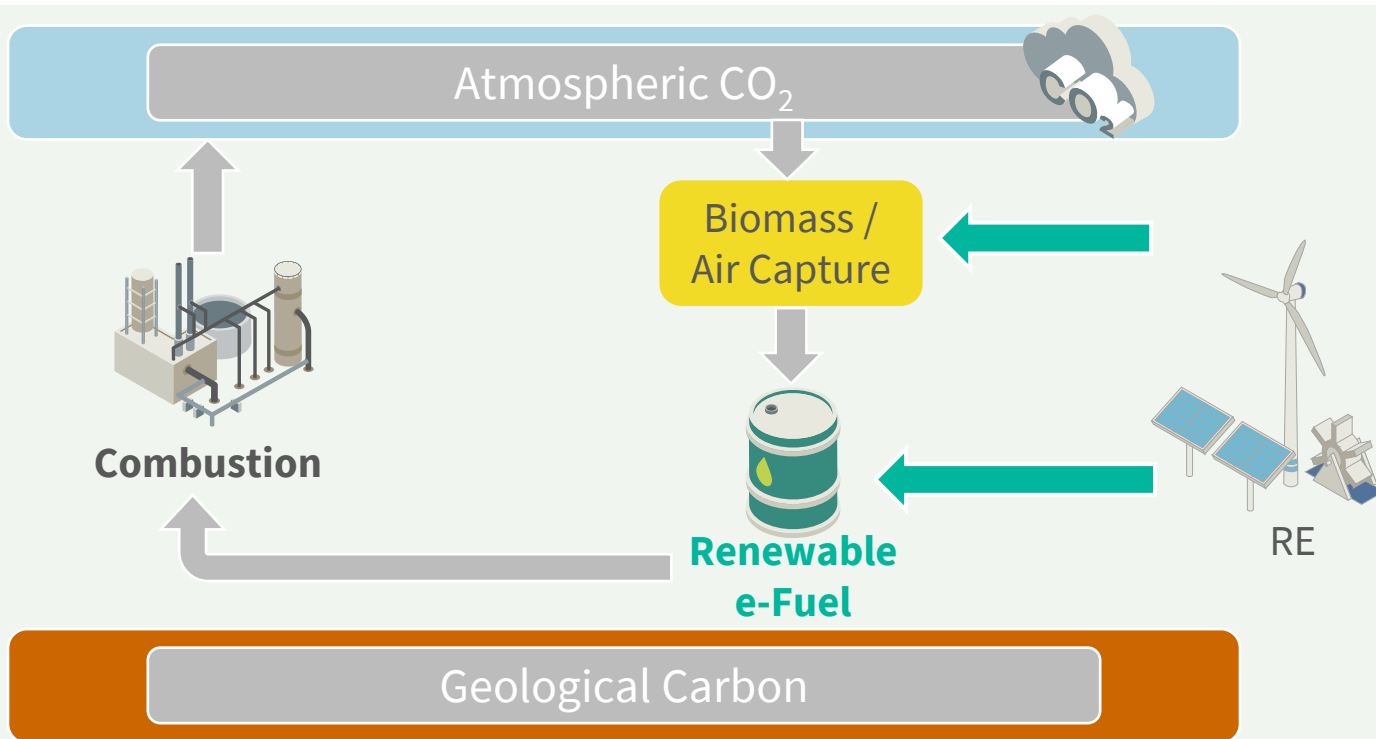
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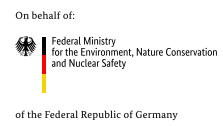
**RENEWABLE
Carbon Cycle**

**Cycle with
renewable
carbon sources
is best option**



Environmental Dimension

CARBON: renewable carbon



CARBON

RENEWABLE Carbon Cycle Direct Air Capture (DAC)

DAC is best option for **long-term perspective:**

- **Closed, immediate carbon cycle**
- Available in **sufficient amounts** and at every potential production site
- But: efficiency is low and costs increase

Requirements:

- Same energy requirements as electrolyzers
- Land use management

Criticalities:

- **Energy intensive** process
- Reduces **efficiency** of production process by **about 10%**
- Increases total **cost of fuel production by 30%**
- **No implementations at scale** yet
- Limited land use risk

Table 3-1: Synthetic fuel production efficiencies (fuel output vs. electricity input)

Pathway*	Production efficiency today		
	Air	Exhaust gas (e.g. wood burner)	Fermentation (e.g. biogas upgrading)
Low-temperature electrolysis	38%	47%	48%
High-temperature electrolysis	45%	60%	62%

*Differences between the Fischer-Tropsch and the methanol pathway are negligible

Source: German Environment Agency 2016

Environmental Dimension

CARBON: renewable carbon

CARBON

Carbon Cycle Biomass sources

Biomass can be a critical carbon source on the way to reducing GHG emissions
→ should be part of the portfolio to produce PtL paraffin and other PtL products

- Can come from **biogenic residues**
- **Closed carbon loop = renewable**

Requirements:

- **Only use residues**
- **At least same criteria as for biofuels**, especially for **biodiversity** and **land use** (international frameworks)
- Prefer the most resource efficient process!

Criticalities:

- **Availability** of biomass is **limited** → might **not be available at potential locations** of syn. fuel production sites (e.g. Middle East)
- **Land use and biodiversity risk**
- **Efficient allocation** in a PtX world: **biomass is a carbon source, not an energy carrier**

Environmental Dimension

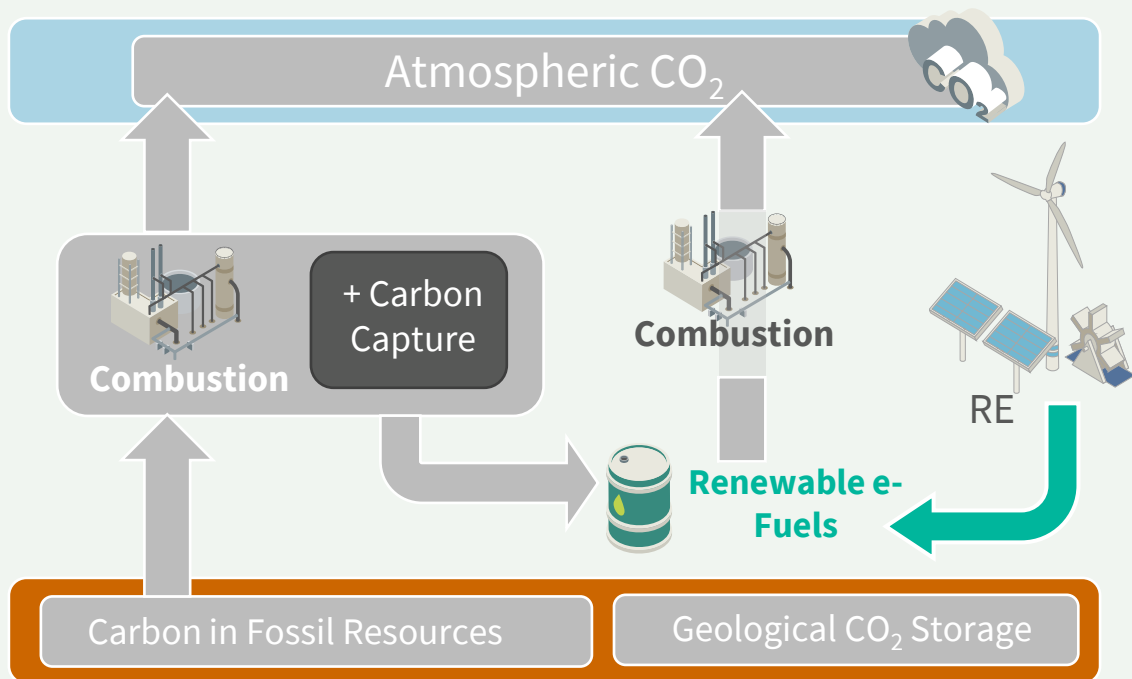
CARBON: industrial point sources

CARBON

Carbon Cycle

Industrial point source carbon is not sustainable: it is still released into the atmosphere

Significant risk of **lock-in effect** for CO₂-intensive technologies and industrial processes



Potential for **recycling**: large amounts of fossil carbons can be captured and reused via **Carbon Capture and Usage (CCU)**.

Environmental Dimension Water

WATER

Water
footprint per
litre SAF

Water Use for Sustainable Aviation Fuels - (litre H₂O / litre SAF)



19,914

$\frac{l_{H_2O}}{l_{QAV}}$

HEFA
jatropa



11,691

$\frac{l_{H_2O}}{l_{QAV}}$

HEFA
soy



2,949

$\frac{l_{H_2O}}{l_{QAV}}$

Alcohol-to-Jet
sugar beet



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$\frac{l_{H_2O}}{l_{QAV}}$

PtL
wind, solar

Environmental Dimension Water (land and biodiversity)

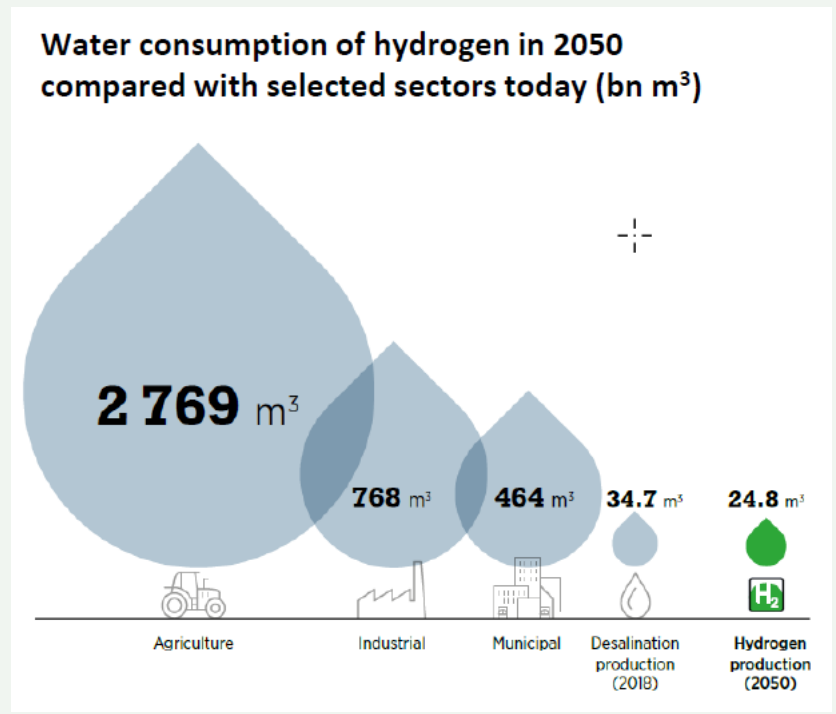


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WATER

Water Footprint



WATER

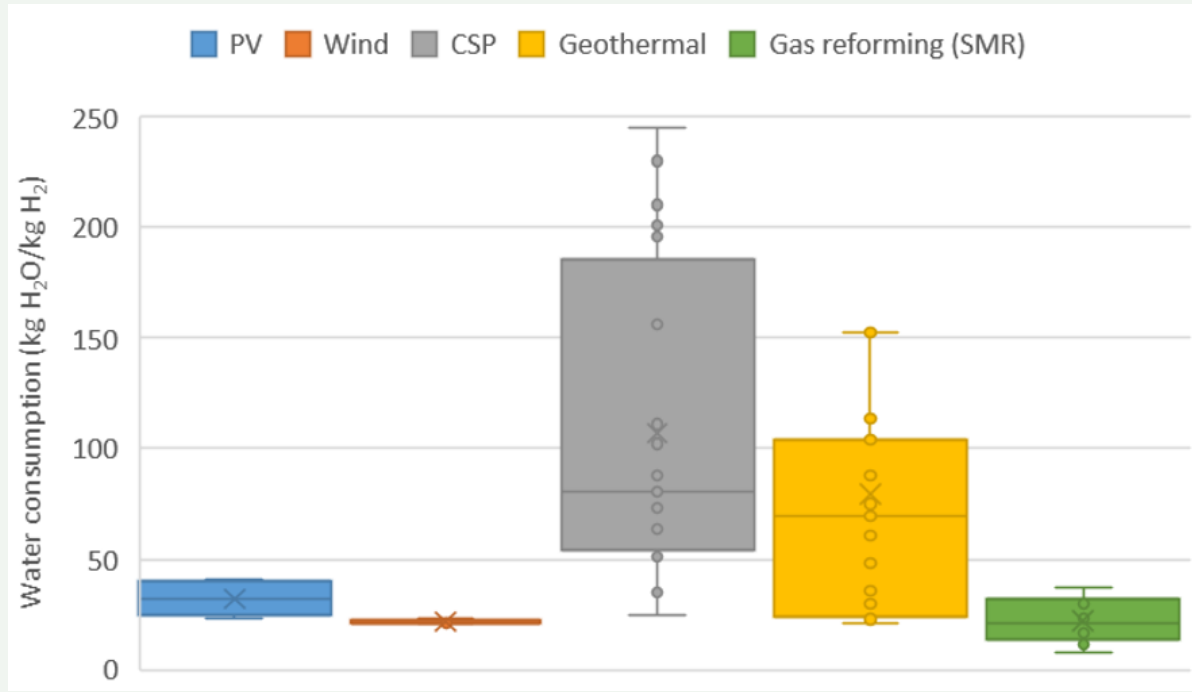
Water Footprint

Lifecycle water consumption for various hydrogen production pathways

Water footprint can be low when using some RE!




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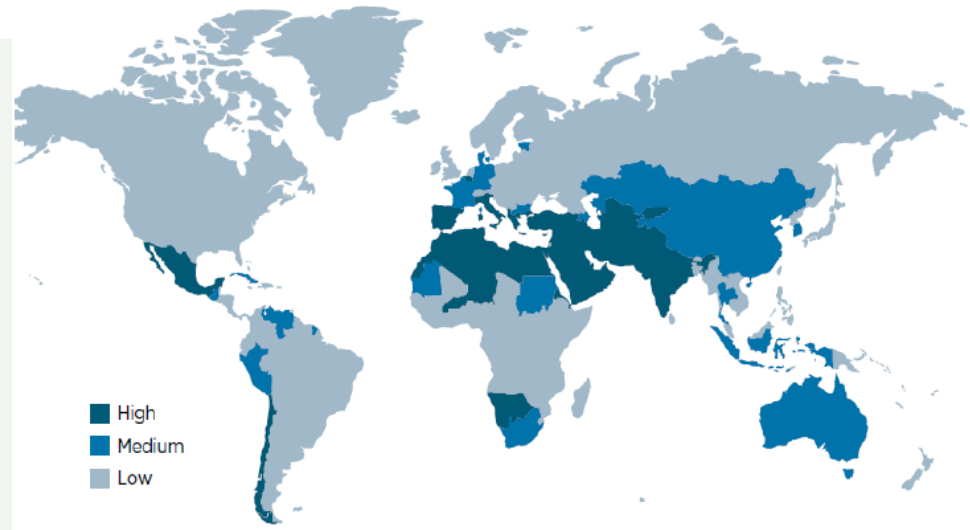
Environmental Dimension Water (land and biodiversity)

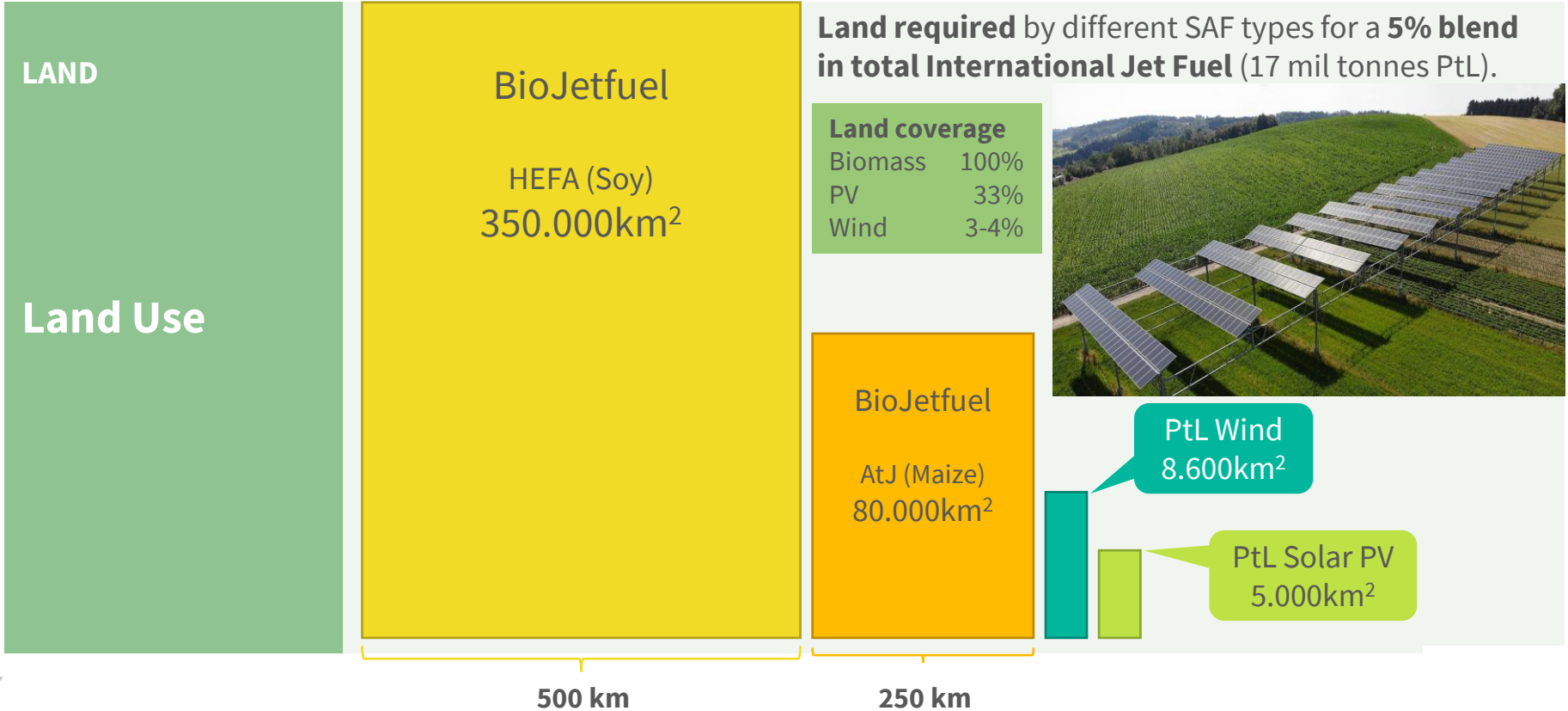
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Water Stress

PtX production **could**
 **compete with other**
water uses.

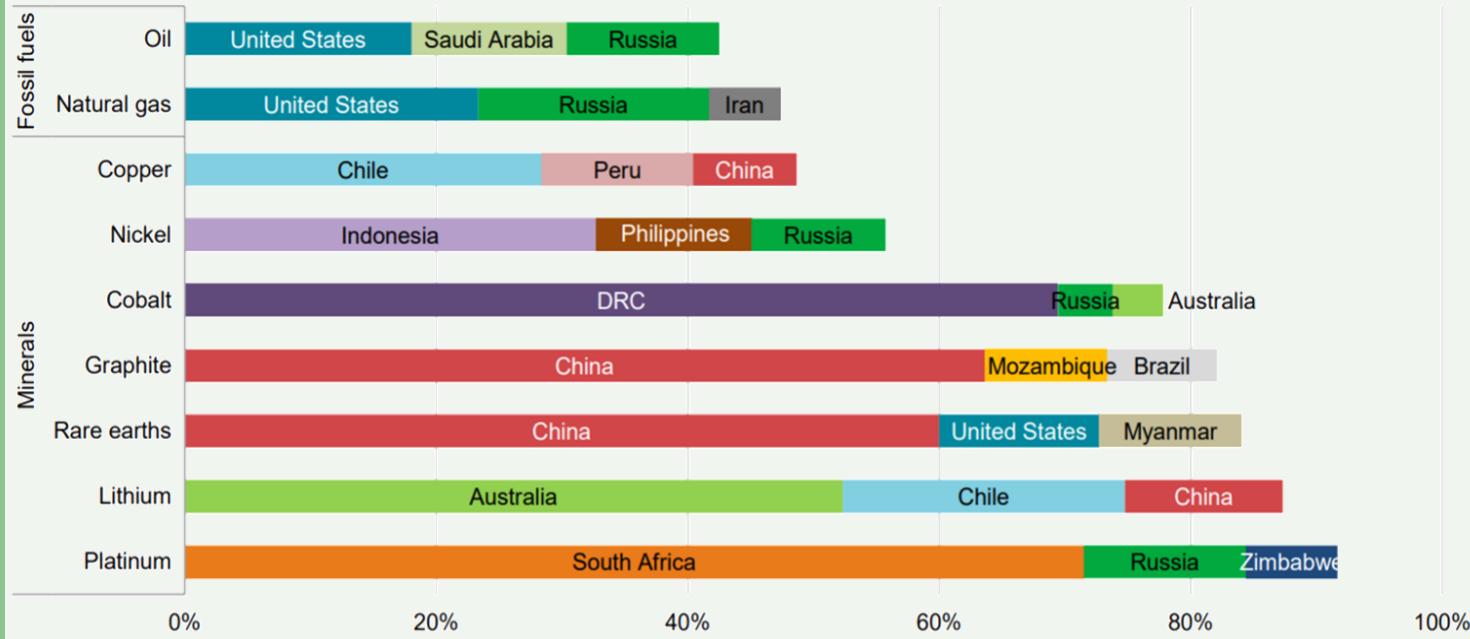
- 1. **Asses sustainability**
upfront, consider regional
data for water stress level
 - 2. **If water stress is**
significant: solution could
be **water desalination**
- Pros** ✓
- **Costs** 0.6-1.6 €/m³ in 2030
(< 2% of total H₂ production
costs)
 - Potentially **creates local added value**
- Risks** ✗
- **Very energy intensive** process: **electricity** must meet
the **same requirements as PtX plants**
 - **Brine disposal**: **mandatory independent ecological
assessment based on local indicators** and legislation
to **minimise** negative externalities





CRITICAL RAW
MATERIALS (CRM)

- Iridium for PEM
- Tantalum for PEM
- Platinum for AEL
- ...



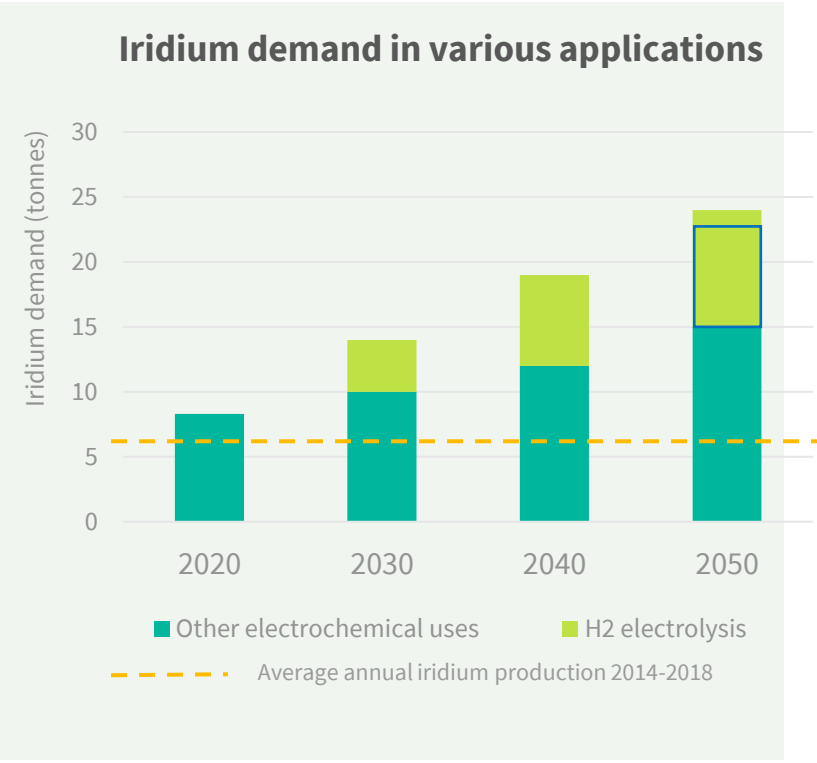
CRITICAL RAW MATERIALS (CRM)

- Iridium for PEM
- Tantalum for PEM
- Platinum for AEL
- ...

CRM needed to produce EU 2050 Green H2 target (2,250TWh with 50% AEL, 50% PEM)	
CRM	% global CRM production p.a.
Iridium	122%
Tantalum	33%
Platinum	25%
Raney-Ni	0.4%
Nickel (class 1)	2%
Cobalt	0.1%

CRM as defined by the EU Commission
2020 list of Critical Raw Materials

2050 target: European Hydrogen Roadmap

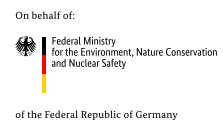


Environmental Dimension Resources and Recycling

<div>CRITICAL RAW MATERIALS (CRM)</div> <div>Savings strategies<ul style="list-style-type: none">• prevention• extention• recycling</div>	Prevention	Reduction	Reduction of the amount of CRM used	Ir, Ta, Pt	Pt, Ni
		Substitution	Replacement of CRM by other material	-	Pt, Co
		Technology mix	Balance between AEL, PEM, and (later) SOEC	Ir, Ta, Pt	Pt, Co, Ni
	Extension	Higher productivity	Higher productivity of electrolyser stack	Ir, Ta, Pt	Pt, Co, Ni
		Extended lifetime	Extended lifetime of the stack	Ir, Ta, Pt	Pt, Co, Ni
	Recycling	Hydrometallurgical treatment		Pt	-
		Transient dissolution		Pt	-
		Acid process		Pt	-
		Selective electrochemical dissolution		Pt	-

With these strategies it is possible to **save up to 95% of CRM usage.**

Social Dimensions



The transformation of energy systems and introduction of new technologies like PtX always have major social implications.
This is not just a transition. It must become a “Just transition”

Access to Energy + Resources

PtX should not conflict with peoples’ access to essential resources, which must be guaranteed and monitored along the whole value chain.

Human Rights + Labour Standards

Human rights and basic labour standards must be respected along the entire value chain. Sustainability assessments must include social concerns. Communities and workers should have access to remedy.

Health + Safety

PtX safety standards must follow strict technical guidelines, with constant audits and updates.

Jobs + Skills

The potential for local and regional employment creation should be tapped and where necessary, the transition from fossil to RE industries should be facilitated. This implies e.g. re-training of the labour force.

Social Dimension

Access to Energy and Resources

ACCESS TO:

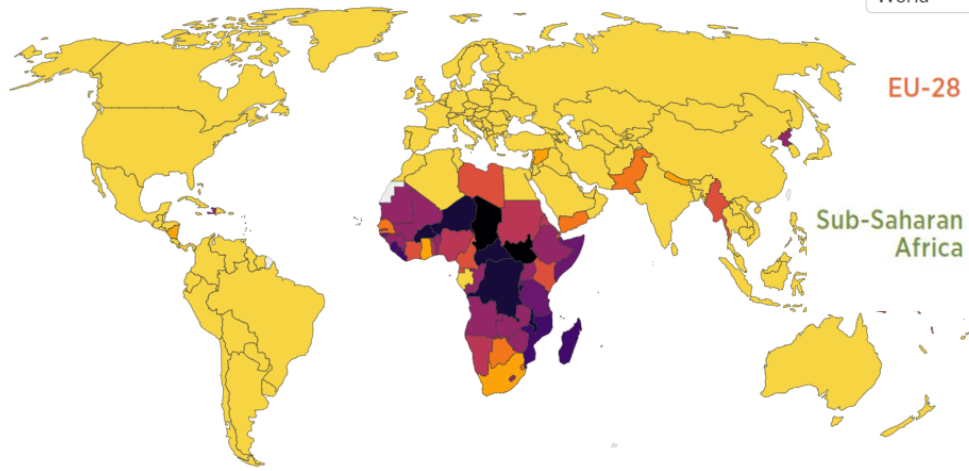
1. Energy: connection to electricity (SDG7)

- 2. Water:**
- water stress
 - clean drinking water (SDG6)
 - irrigation
 - desalinisation (opportunities and risks) for H2/Ptx and local needs

3. Land: land use conflicts

Electricity access, 2019

Share of the population with access to electricity. The definition used in international statistics adopts a very low cutoff for what it means to 'have access to electricity'. It is defined as having an electricity source that can provide very basic lighting, and charge a phone or power a radio for 4 hours per day.



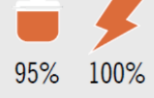
Our World
in Data

World

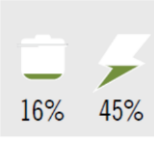
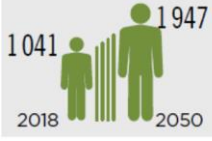
Pop. (million)

% access to electricity

EU-28



Sub-Saharan Africa



IRENA 2020

ADDITIONALITY

SDG7 (energy) does not sufficiently promote a holistic transformation. Part of the problem: neither the goal nor its targets and indicators specify who is responsible for which action.

Social Dimension

Human Rights and Labour Standards

LABOUR STANDARDS

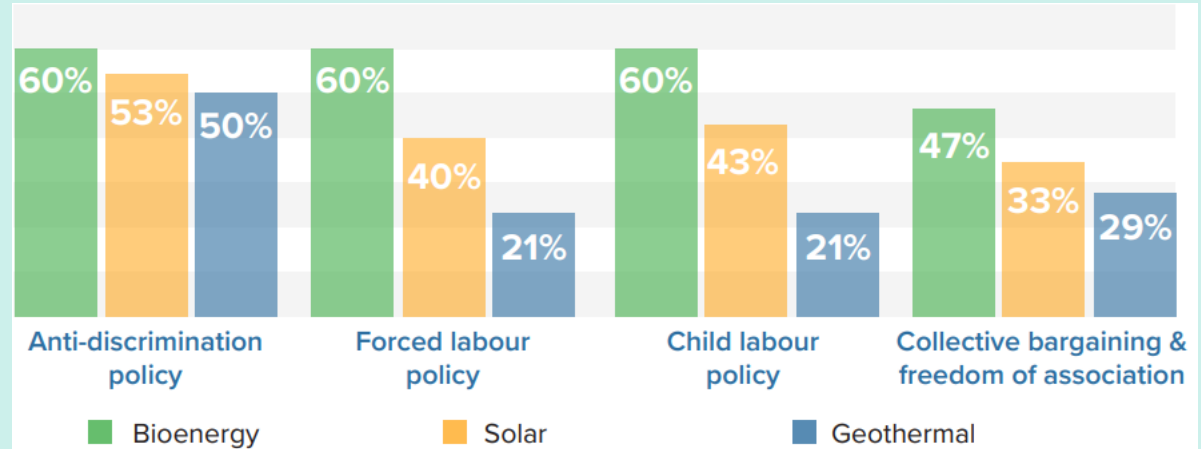


Core Labour Standards

- **Freedom of association** and right to **collective bargaining**
- **Elimination of** all forms of **forced** or compulsory labour
- Effective **abolition of child labour**
- **Elimination of discrimination** in respect of employment and occupation

Since 2010: **197 allegations** of human rights abuses across all 5 sub-sectors of RE (*wind, solar, bioenergy, geothermal, hydropower*), incl.: **killings, threats, and intimidation; land grabs; dangerous working conditions and poverty wages; and harm to indigenous peoples' lives and livelihoods.**

Percentage of solar, bioenergy and geothermal companies with labour rights policies.



Nexus between human rights, climate change and energy remains underdeveloped in international law and practice.

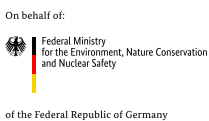
Social Dimension

Human Rights and Labour Standards

LABOUR STANDARDS AND HUMAN RIGHTS

How to include principles to respect human and labour rights into my business?

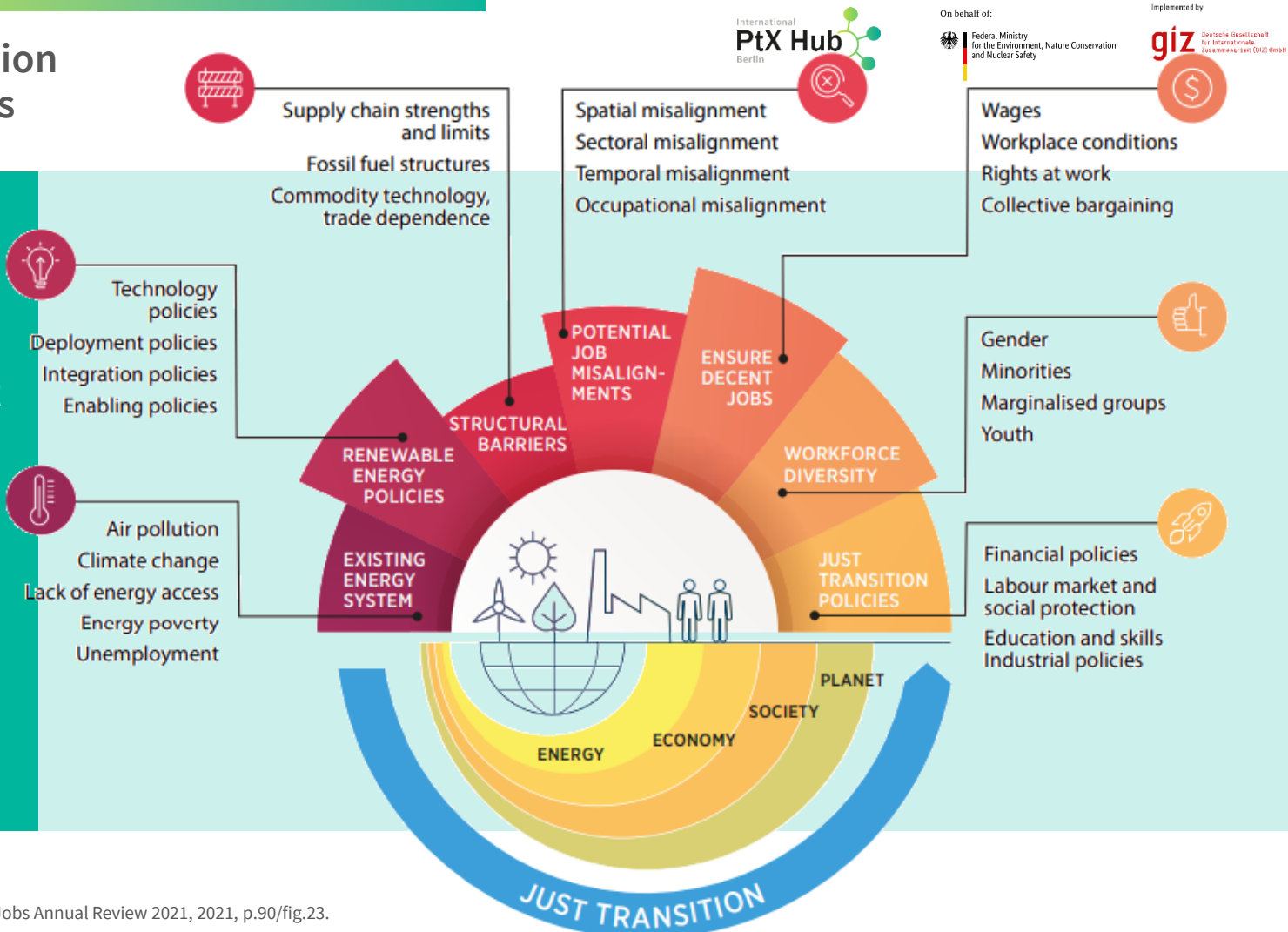
1. **Identify, prevent and monitor risks** related to human (HR) and labor rights (LR) that are salient in sector of activity.
2. **Recognise stakeholders:** workers and their families, local communities, any other person/group of people whose lives and environment may be influenced by your activities, incl. legitimate representatives, labour unions, social or environmental organisations.
3. **Engage with stakeholders**, especially those affected by activities, incorporating their views and concerns in business decisions and development of its approach to HR and LR.
4. **Implement a reporting system**, with a guarantee of confidentiality and non-retaliation.
5. **Transparency** reg. HR and LR: identify risks and impacts, mitigation, compensation and remediation measures taken and results of such actions.
6. **Extend commitments to business partnerships and suppliers**, working towards the extension of commitments to entire supply chains and partnerships.
7. **Work with partners and suppliers** to mitigate adverse impacts that are directly linked to operations, products or services through own mechanisms or cooperation in development of third-party non-judicial solutions.



Social Dimension Jobs and Skills

JUST TRANSITION

Jobs in the Just Energy Transition: Challenges and policies



Social Dimension Jobs and Skills

JOBS AND SKILLS

Jobs

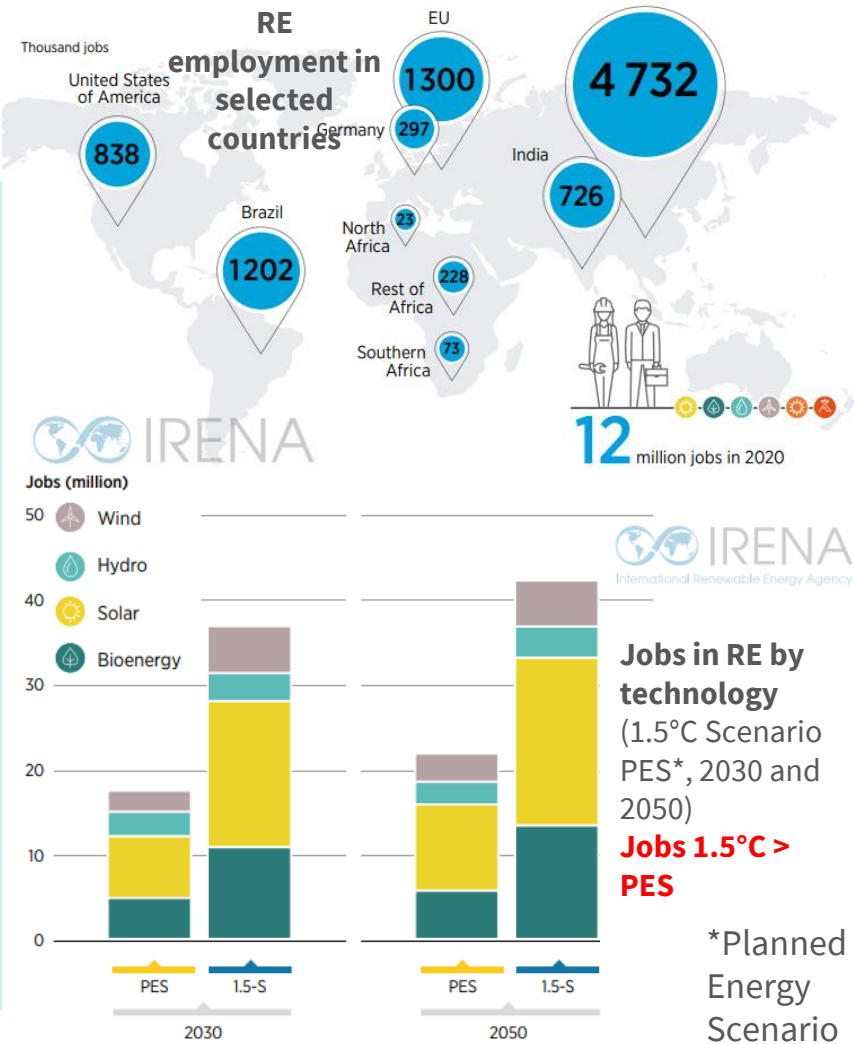
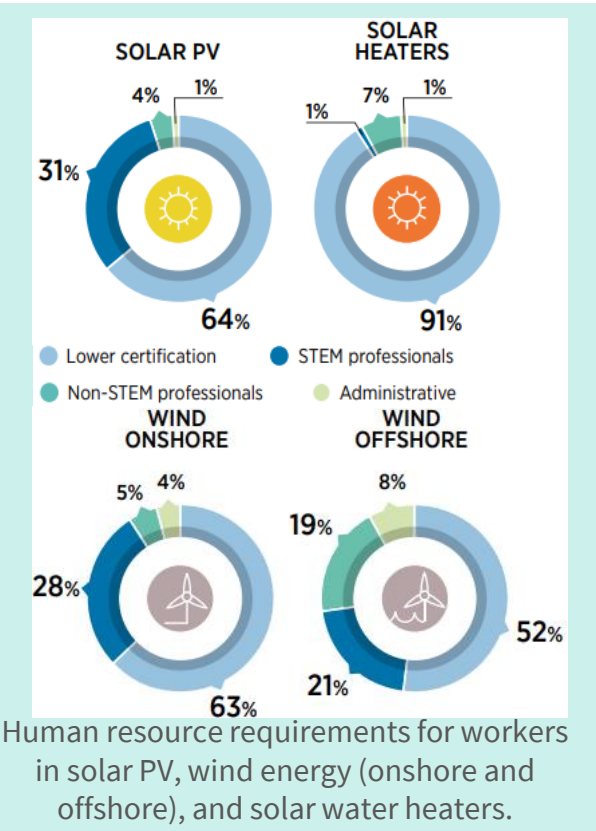
- **Gains** in Renewables
- **Losses** in Fossils

Jobs and Just Transition

- **Regional disparities / diversity**

Skills and Training

- **Qualifications** and skills profile



Source: IRENA / ILO, Renewable Energy and Jobs Annual Review 2021, 10/2021, fig. 9,11,15.



Test your knowledge

“Which socio-economic and governance issues are important when developing renewable PtX in your country?”

Economic Dimensions



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PtX production and trade should contribute to improving economic prosperity and well-being. Leap-frogging potentials should be tapped.

Value Added +
Decoupled
Growth

PtX can offer opportunities for **leapfrogging over fossil dependency**.
Production should also be integrated into local productive networks, leveraging their potential.

Energy Mix +
Transformation

PtX should be an integral part of the energy transition.
Stability of a region's power grid should be considered when assessing PtX sustainability.
Options for off-grid solutions should be considered.

Trade +
Tech. Transfer

For some countries and regions PtX offers new export opportunities; yet this should not go at the expense of domestic development priorities.
Technology transfer, promotion of innovation and the development of local knowledge are key.

Infrastructure +
Public Finance

PtX should be included in public and private investment and funding schemes.
Infrastructures such as pipelines and ports will have to be PtX compatible.

Economic Dimension

Value Added and Decoupled Growth

VALUE ADDED AND DECOUPLED GROWTH

Value Added

Value Added	GDP
- per capita	- <i>local</i>
- overall growth	- <i>regional</i>
- sectoral mix	- <i>national</i>

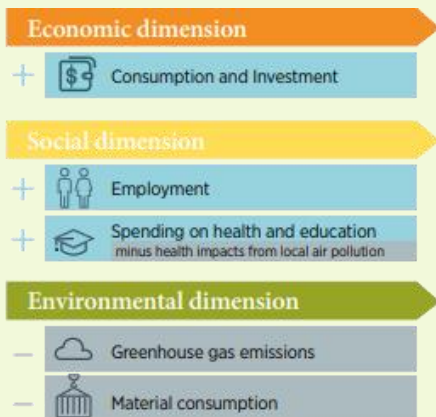
Value Added and employment
local /regional
(regional disparities)

GHG/GDP
- carbon intensity
- *level & trend*

New projects: ensure **economic profitability + contribute to the local development**

- **Equitable profit sharing** between owners, employees and local community
→ assess compliance with national labour rules, e.g. minimum wages
→ inspect labour contracts + wages of employees
- Local economic conditions should improve on time
→ assess (macro)-economic indicators in statistical document

→ Improvements in human well-being and welfare go far beyond gains in GDP
Doubling share of RE by 2030 raises global welfare by 2.7 % while GDP by 0.6%



Welfare



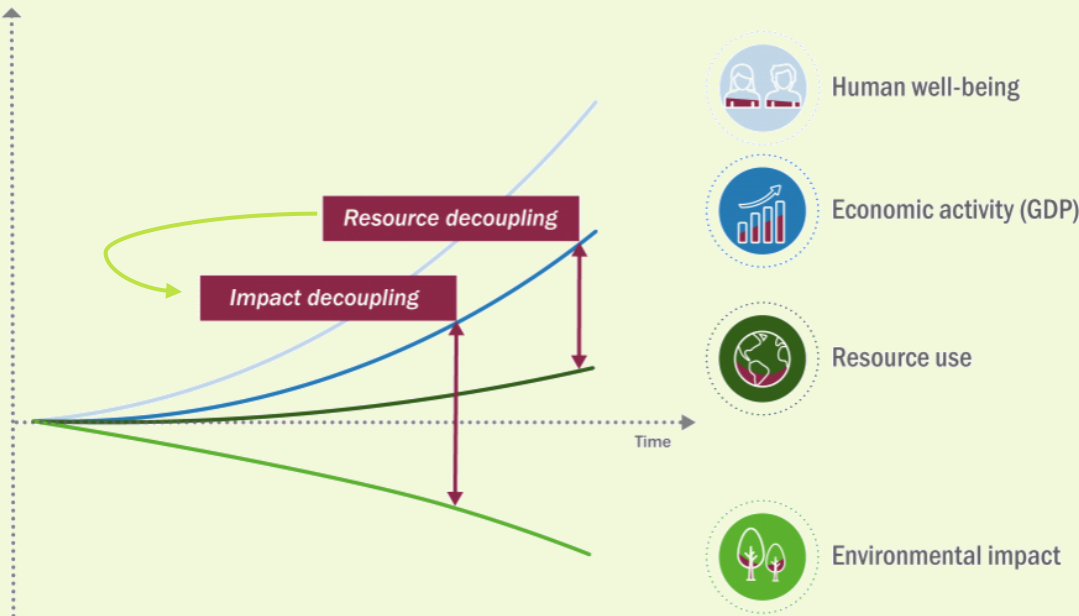
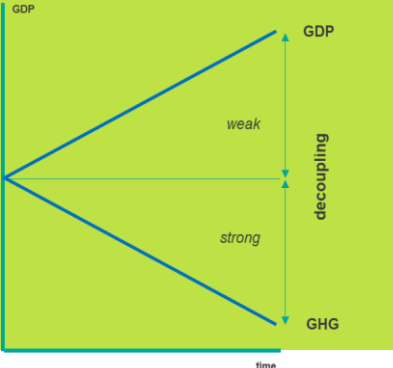
Economic Dimension

Value Added and Decoupled Growth

VALUE ADDED AND DECOUPLED GROWTH

Decoupled Growth

→ refers to breaking the link
between environmental
bads and economic goods



- **Absolute decoupling:** environm. relevant variable is stable or decreasing while econom. driving force is growing
- **Relative decoupling:** environm. relevant variable is positive, but less than growth rate of econom. variable

Economic Dimension

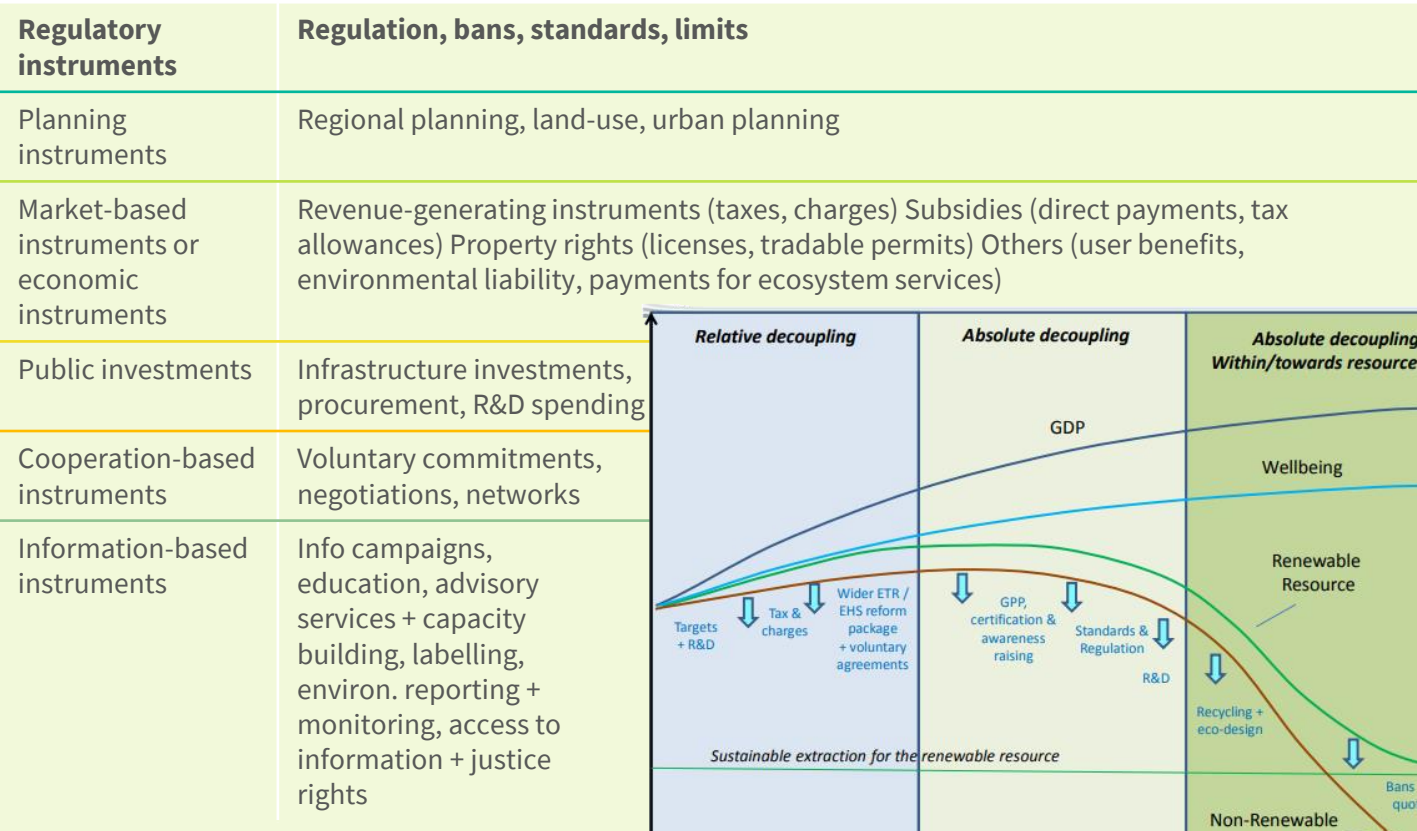
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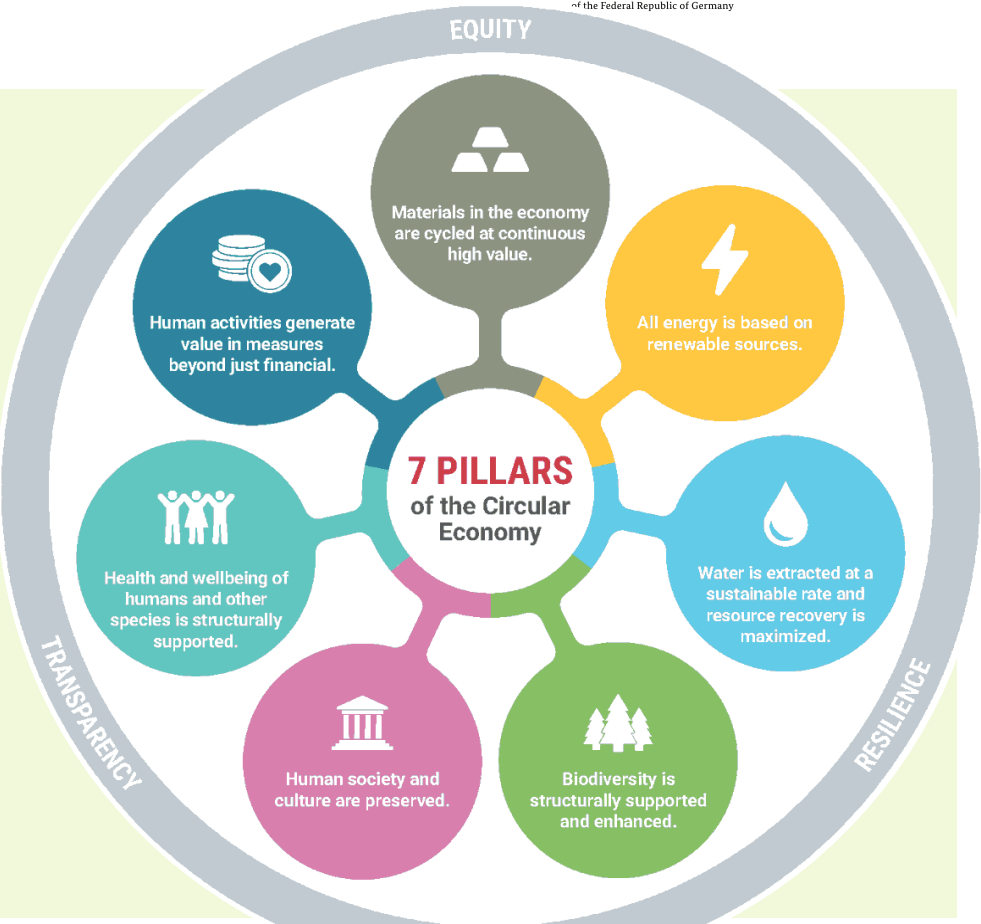
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Value Added and Decoupled Growth

VALUE ADDED AND DECOUPLED GROWTH

Circular Economy

- Refuse
- Rethink
- Reduce
- Re-use
- Repair
- Refurbish
- Remanufacture
- Repurpose
- Recycle
- Recover



Economic Dimension

Energy Mix and Transformation

ENERGY MIX AND TRANSFORMATION

Energy Mix

- fossil
- renewables

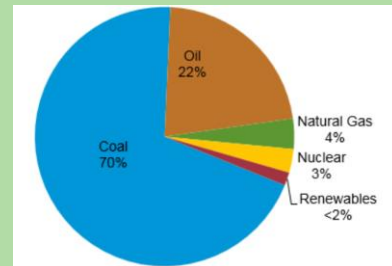
Energy trends and scenarios

H2 and PtX

- potentials
- actual

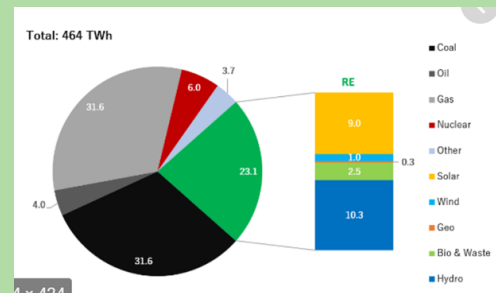
Market Design (ETS, CDM etc)

...



South Africa

Energy mix



Costa Rica

4 x 12.1



Open discussion

“What are potential positive socio-economic impacts of your projects?”

“How could potential negative impacts be avoided or mitigated?”

Governance Dimensions



National + international standards and certification schemes must provide proper regulatory frameworks for ramping-up PtX markets and trade.
Essential: clear policy commitments, empowerment and participation of stakeholders.

Standards + Certifications

Renewable PtX standards will play a key role in kickstarting the market and should cover the entire value chain.
Certification schemes should be transparent about assessment procedures and criteria.

Transparency + Participation

PtX councils and roundtables should be established, and stakeholder trainings should take place. Moreover, bottom-up approaches such as surveys and free, prior and informed consent (FPIC) should be adopted, with audits and access to complaint procedures.

Policy Commitment + Coherence

Renewable PtX should be part of energy and climate strategies and included in NDCs.

Stability + Rule of Law

Political stability and respect for the rule of law are important considerations when setting-up bi- or multilateral partnerships.

Governance Dimension

Standards and Certifications

STANDARDS AND CERTIFICATIONS

Requirements for PtX Certification

- Simplicity
- Transparency
- Coherence with existing regulation
- Stakeholder inclusion

- PtX products need rigorous **SUSTAINABILITY STANDARDS** → don't sacrifice for quick market run-up (see *biofuels*):
market run-up and sustainability standards have to go hand in hand!
- Standards must be developed via **comprehensive and harmonised legislation**;
CERTIFICATIONS must be in place
- **Sustainability requirements** along the **whole supply chain** and for each relevant element
- Ensuring a **level playing field across different sectors** through certifications principles that apply to all markets and products
→ consider costs involved!
- Attention to **human and labour rights**, including socio-economic aspects in the assessment, especially when operating in areas with high social risk

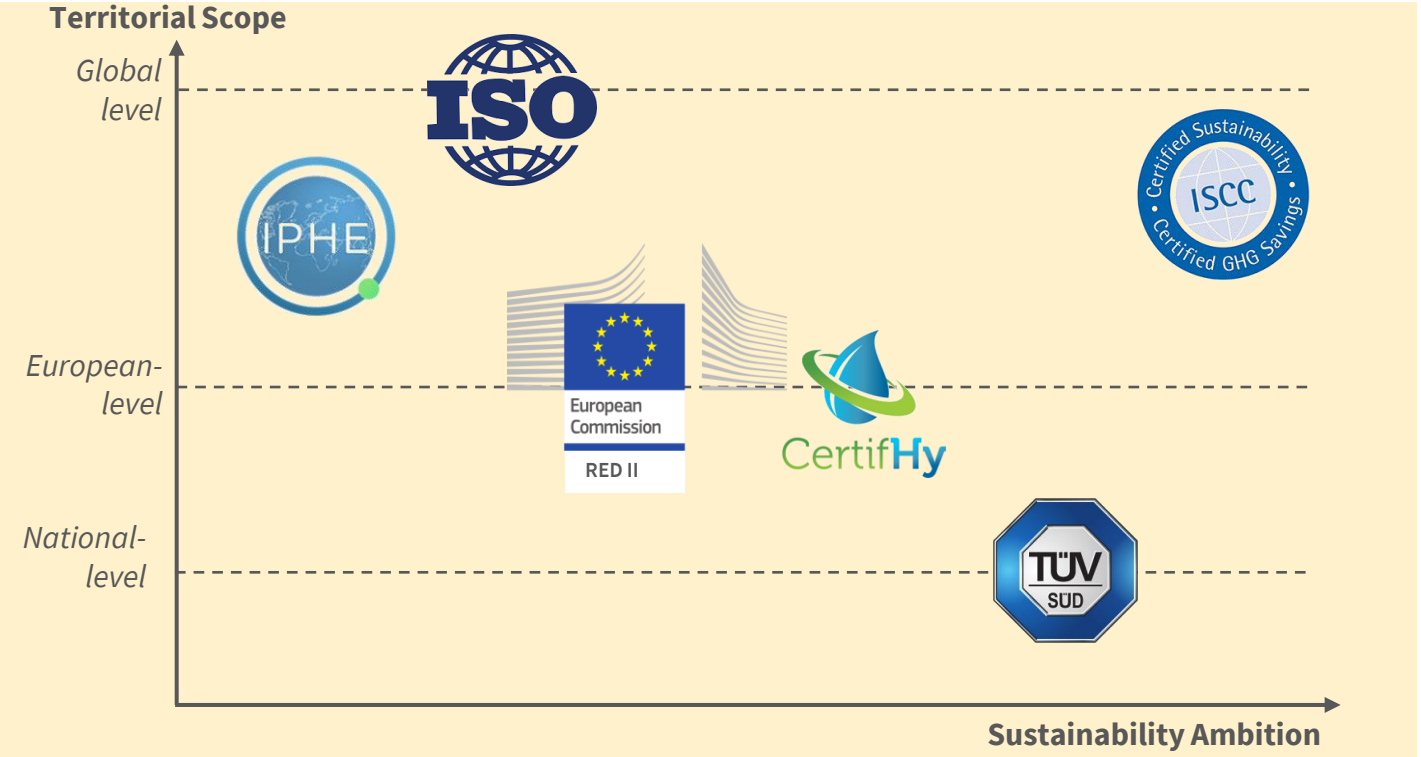


Governance Dimension Standards and Certifications



**STANDARDS AND
CERTIFICATIONS**

**Different
certification
institutions /
schemes**



Notes: IPHE: International Partnership for Hydrogen and Fuel Cells in the Economy

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Standards and Certifications



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**STANDARDS AND
CERTIFICATIONS**

**Several green
hydrogen
standards are in
place or under
development**

Status	Country	Name	Body	Legal Status
✓		RED II Delegated Acts	European Commission	Binding for RFNBO used in transport sector*
<i>dvlpmt.</i>		Taxonomy	European Commission	Binding for “sustainable investment”
✓		CertifHy	FCH JU	Voluntary certification
✓		CMS 70	TÜV SÜD	Voluntary certification
<i>dvlpmt.</i>		EEG Ordinance	German government	Binding to be exempt from the EEG levy
✓		SDE++ criteria	Dutch government	Binding to be eligible for gov. funding
✓		AFHYPAC standard	AFHYPAC	<i>Consolidation into EU-wide single standard?</i>
✓		Low carbon fuels standard	State of California	Binding for fuel suppliers’ emission targets
<i>trial</i>		‘GO Hydrogen Certification Scheme’	Australian govern.	?

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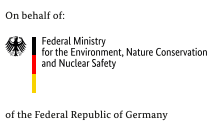


STANDARDS AND CERTIFICATIONS

Guarantee of Origin (GO) Schemes

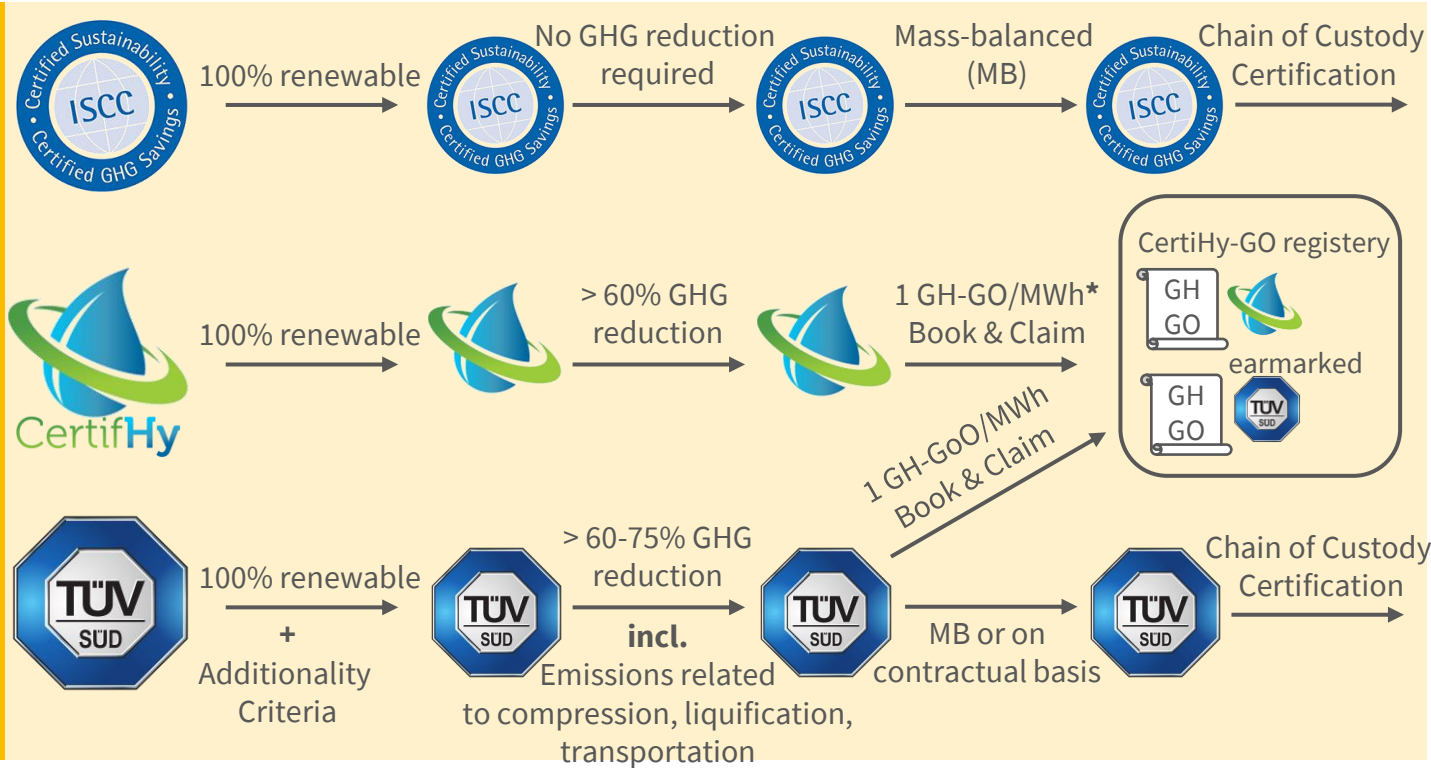
	BODY	REFERENCE	THRESHOLD	QUALIFIED PROCESSES
	AFHYPAC	None	100% renewable	All renewable-based solutions
	Low Carbon Fuel Standard	Well-to-wheel emissions from new gasoline vehicles	30% lower GHG, 50% lower NO _x	Green hydrogen, catalytic cracking of biomethane or thermochemical conversion of biomass, including waste
	CertifHy	Grey hydrogen	60% lower GHG than reference (36.4 gCO ₂ /MJ)	Two labels: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• "Green hydrogen" if the hydrogen is made from renewable energy• "Low carbon hydrogen" otherwise Hydrogen must meet the threshold with 99.5% purity
	TÜV SÜD	Grey hydrogen	35-75% lower than reference depending on process	Renewable electrolysis; biomethane steam methane reforming; pyro-reforming of glycerine
	Clean Energy Partnership	Grey hydrogen	100% renewable	Renewable electrolysis; biomass
	REDII ¹²	Transport fuels	70% reduction	Renewable transport fuels of non-biological origin
	Technical Expert Group on Sustainable Finance	None	5.8 tCO ₂ /tH ₂ or 100 gCO ₂ /kWh used as input	Water electrolysis

Governance Dimension Standards and Certification



STANDARDS AND CERTIFICATIONS

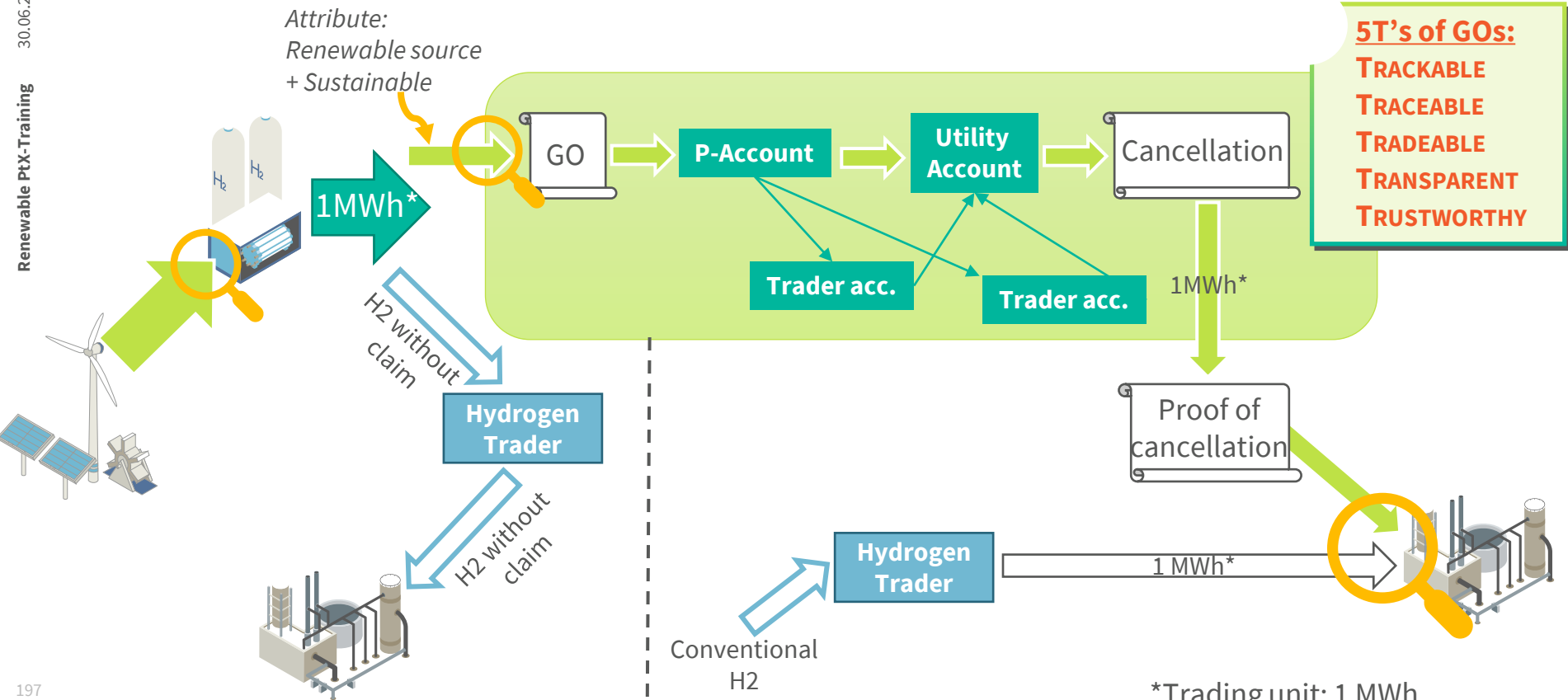
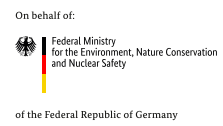
- Existing certification systems:
- Hydrogen from renewable energy resources ISCC
 - CertifHy (only EU)
 - TÜV SÜD Green Hydrogen



*Trading unit: 1 Green Hydrogen (GH) – Guarantee of Origin (GO) in unit of 1 MWh

Standards and Certifications

Book and Claim(BC) procedure for Guarantee of Origin (GO)

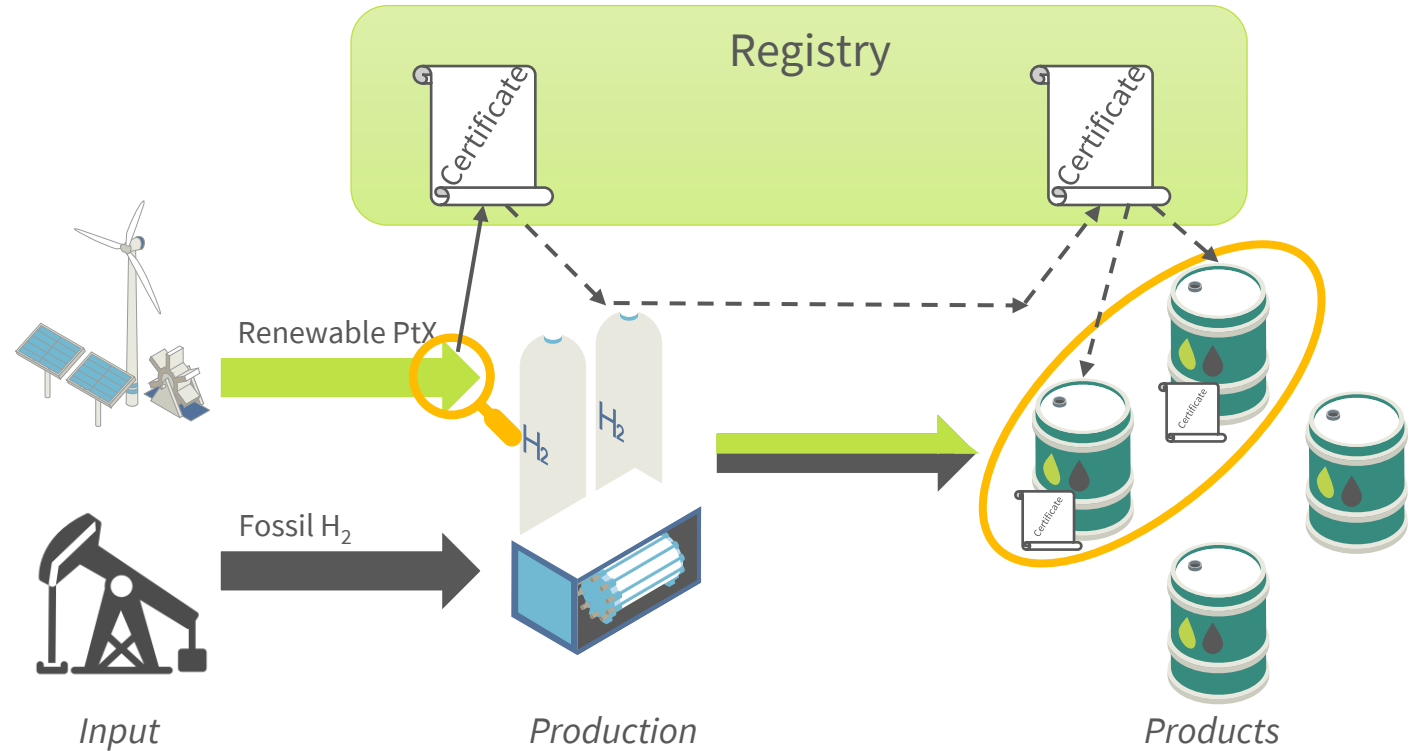


*Trading unit: 1 MWh
(based on lower heating value)

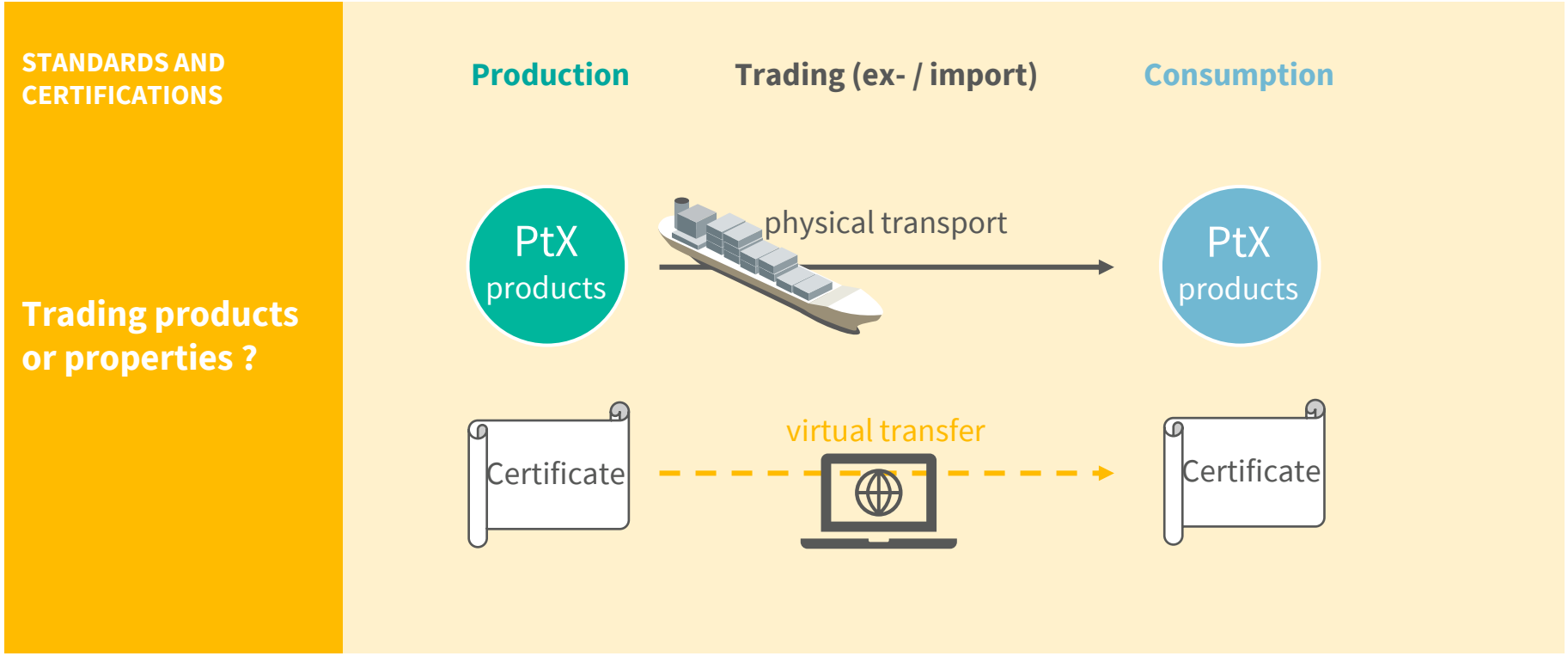
Source: (adapted) TÜV SÜD, Certification systems on Hydrogen and its relevance for a sustainable future, Knowledge Session Certification of Green Hydrogen, 24.11.2021.

Standards and Certifications

Mass Balance (MB) approach



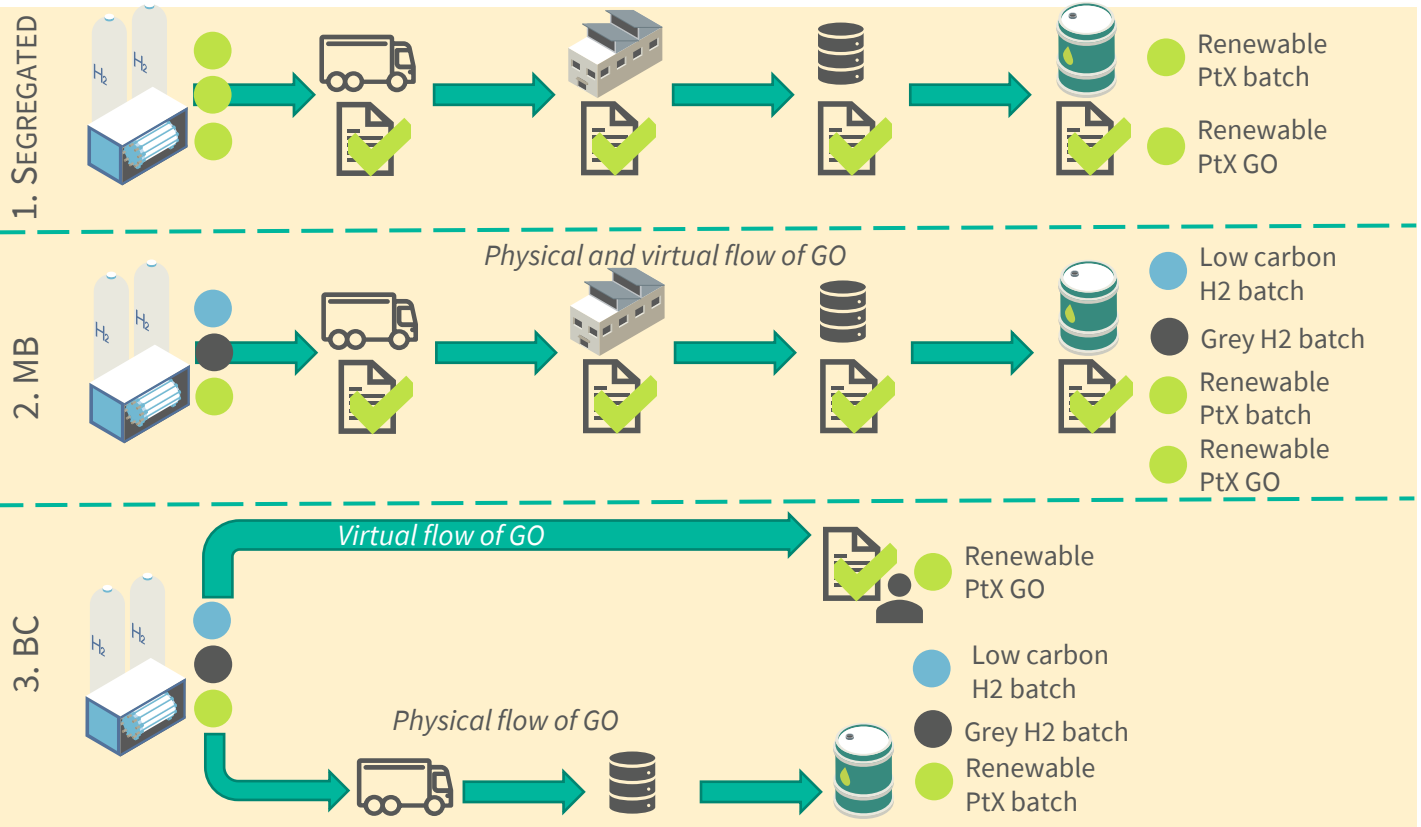
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Standards and Certification



Governance Dimension Standards and Certification

STANDARDS AND CERTIFICATIONS

Types of certification approaches





Open discussion

“How important do you think a certification scheme is, and do you agree with the EU approach?”

Sustainability Indicators to consider according to Fraunhofer's PtX Atlas

Economics

- Energy imports
- Development of RE in the country
- Investment risk
- Economic dynamics
- Gross domestic product
- Import and export of goods and services
- Investment climate
- Global Resilience Index
- Electricity price

Technology

- RE infrastructure (PV/wind)
- Energy supply in the country
- Innovation
- Expenditure on education & research

Politics

- Corruption
- Political risk
- Political stability and absence of violence
- Rule of law
- Legislation in the country to reduce emissions
- Sustainable policy-making in line with Agenda 2030
- Freedom
- Country Regime

Society

- Satisfaction and peace
- Health system
- Energy demand
- Absence of repressive state violence or acts of war

Nature Conditions

- PV/wind potential
- Size of the country
- RE Capacity
- Water Stress
- Oil and coal reserves
- Oil production and coal mining

Proximity to Germany

- Logistics infrastructure
- Distance (km)
- Economic relations
- Cultural proximity

MODULE 6: Key messages

EESG Framework

- To achieve Paris Agreement, **defossilization of the economy is needed**, for the economy and biosphere
- **PtX sustainability dimensions need to address the entire value chain** and specifically analyse the environmental, economic, social and governance dimension
- Sustainability concerns must be considered at **different assessment levels**

Sustainability Criteria

- The **various environmental dimensions** of PtX production are **essential to determine the level of sustainability**
- The **transformation of energy systems** and introduction of new technologies like PtX **always have major social implications**. This is not just a transition. It must become a **“Just transition”**
- PtX production and trade should **contribute to improving economic prosperity and well-being** as well as environmental wellbeing (**decoupled growth**). Leap-frogging potentials should be tapped
- **Additionality for the production of additional renewable power is a must**. The use to renewable power for hydrogen production **does not reduce the overall energy transition** and especially the decarbonization of the power sector.

Certification Schemes

- National + international standards and certification schemes must provide **proper regulatory frameworks** for ramping-up PtX markets and trade



Open discussion

“How critical do you see the compliance to sustainability criteria in your country?”

looking at:
energy (renewable and additional),
carbon sources, land use issues, water availability



Module 7

Support Policies and Regulations for Renewable PtX



Summary of EU Policy Developments (2020-2021), e.g.

- Climate Law
- RED and RED II
- RefuelEU Aviation
- FuelEU Maritime



Regulatory Architecture and Policy Recommendations

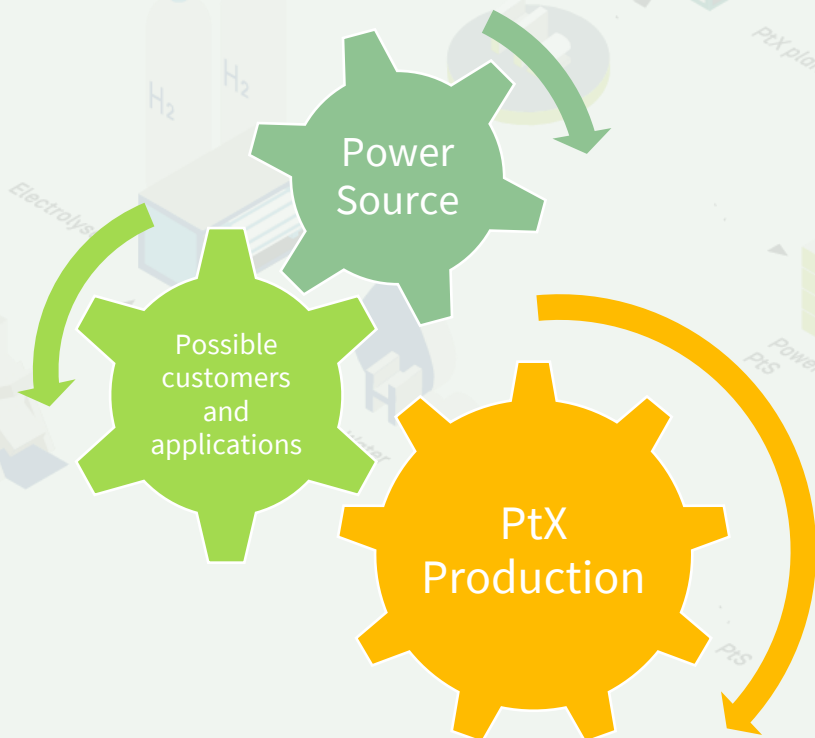
- Supply-side measures
- Demand-side measures



Market Ramp-up

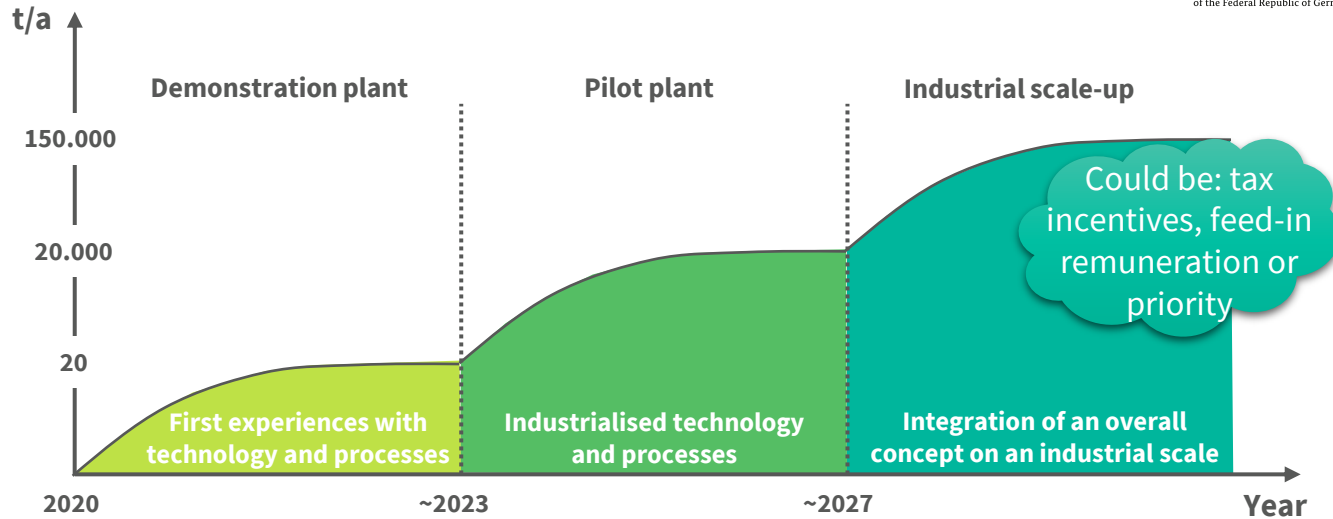
- Roadmaps
- Country examples

Setting up a green hydrogen project → Holistic approach needed!



- Formulate **clear goals** and intermediate steps
- Be aware that the project might be economically challenging
 - look for partners, build alliances
 - look for funding, subsidies etc.
- Find your story/narrative and inspire creditors and/or political initiatives
- Think from a customer's point of view
- Stay open to opportunities, be flexible

Steps of scaling-up a market



- **PtX faces the typical hen-egg-dilemma:** **technologically** ready for take-off, but **economically** the rocket is not yet flying
- **Supply side: investors** claim there is not yet sufficient solvent demand
- **Demand side: potential customers** (e.g. airlines) complain that there is not yet sufficient stable supply (e.g. of synthetic e-Kerosene) at affordable prices
- For a **breakthrough** and effective transformation **market mechanisms** alone will not be sufficient
- **Policy intervention** providing regulatory frameworks, R&D and financial support, **on both sides of the market** (supply & demand) will be required!



Test your knowledge

“What are typical policy instruments to ramp-up a market in your country ?”

Policy Instruments for Market Ramp-Up

1

Long-term policy signals

- **PtX roadmaps**
- **Targets**
- **Industrial strategies**
- **International agreements and commitments**

NDCs Paris Agreement; EU Green Deal; Germany's National Hydrogen Strategy; Japan's Basic Hydrogen Strategy; China's Ecological Civilisation commitment; Make in India [...]

2

Demand creation

- **CO₂ and pollution pricing**
- **Mandates and bans**
- **Performance standards**
- **Tax credits**
- **Reverse auctions**

RED II, Canadian Clean Fuel Standard; **EU Emissions Trading System**, Dutch public procurement provisions for low carbon materials; UK Renewable Transport Fuel Obligation (RTFO); US 45Q tax credit for CCUS [...]

3

Investment risk mitigation

- **Loans + export credits**
- **Risk guarantees**
- **Trading of "guarantees of origin"**
- **Risk mitigation: CCfDs**
- **Tax breaks**

Chinese policy bank loans; Australia's Clean Energy Finance Corporation; EU projects of common European interest; EIB Energy Lending Policy; multilateral bank financing; EU Connecting Europe Facility [...]

4

Removing barriers

- **Safety + sustainability standards**
- **Avoiding double taxation of energy**
- **Certification of CO₂ intensity and provenance**
- **Benchmarks for processes**
- **International frameworks**

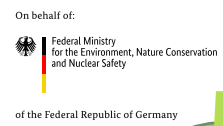
International Partnership for Hydrogen and Fuel Cells in the Economy (IPHE); **International Organisation for Standardisation (ISO)**; **HySafe**; **EU CertifHy** [...], **RED II Delegated Acts**

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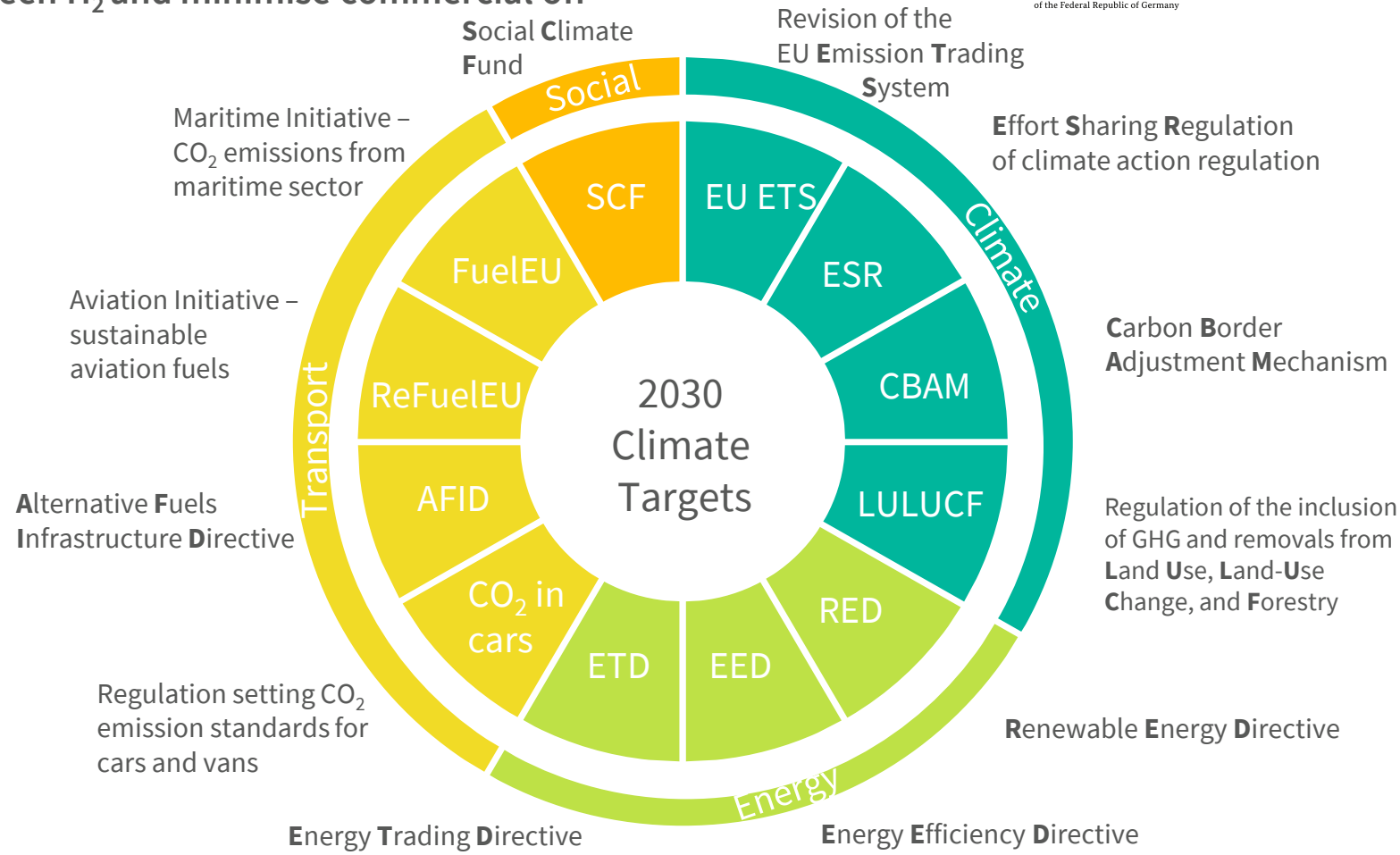
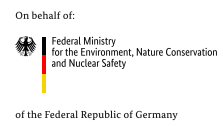
R&D + knowledge sharing

- **Direct project funding**
- **Concessional loans**
- **Multilateral collaboration initiatives**
- **Communication campaigns**
- **Prizes**

Japanese NEDO Roadmap for fuel cells and hydrogen; EU Horizon 2020; Germany National Innovation Program for Hydrogen and Fuel Cell Technology; US Department of Energy Hydrogen and Fuel Cells Program and H2@Scale [...]

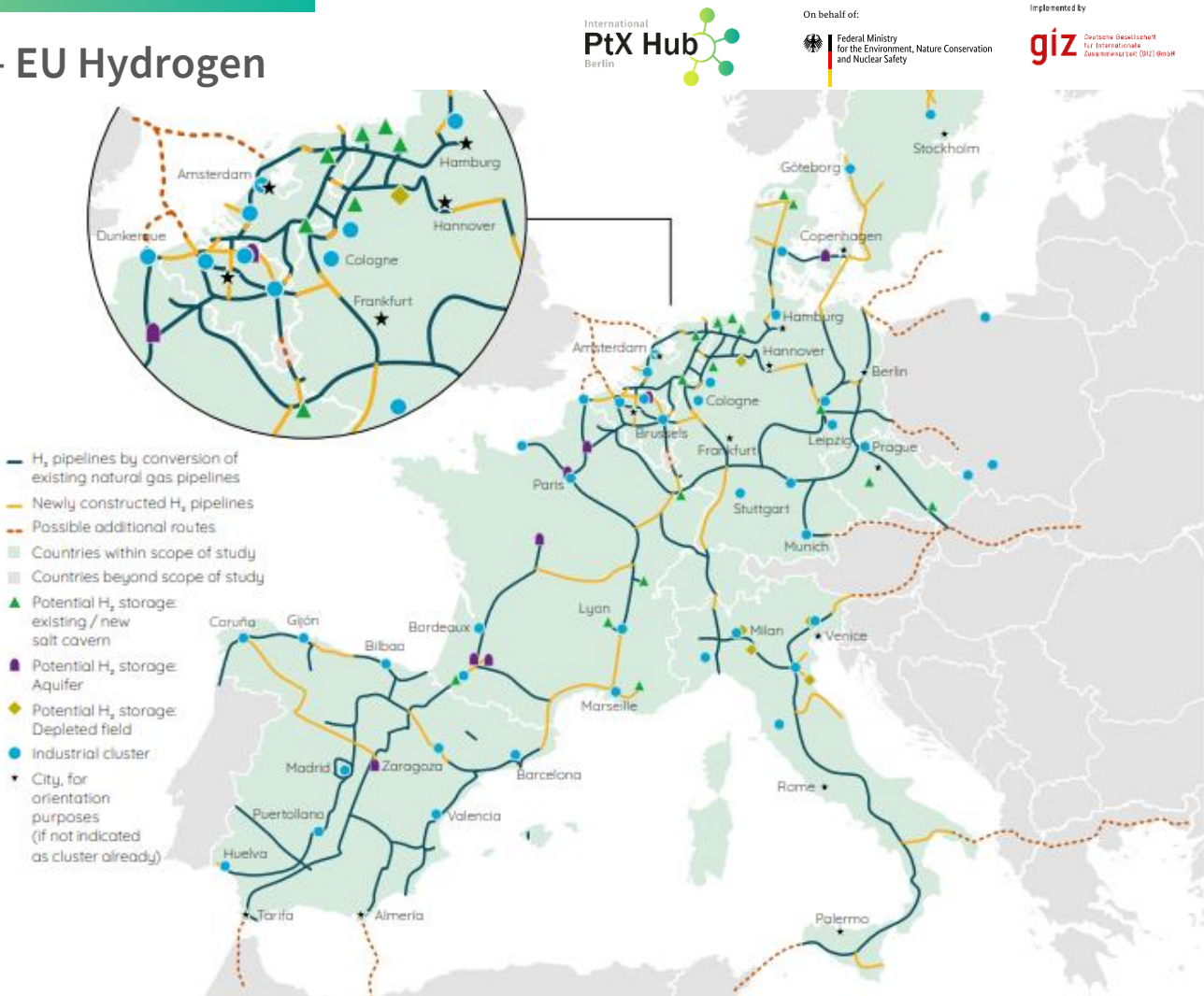


EU example: Policy targets to increase demand and supply for green H₂ and minimise commercial off-taker risk!



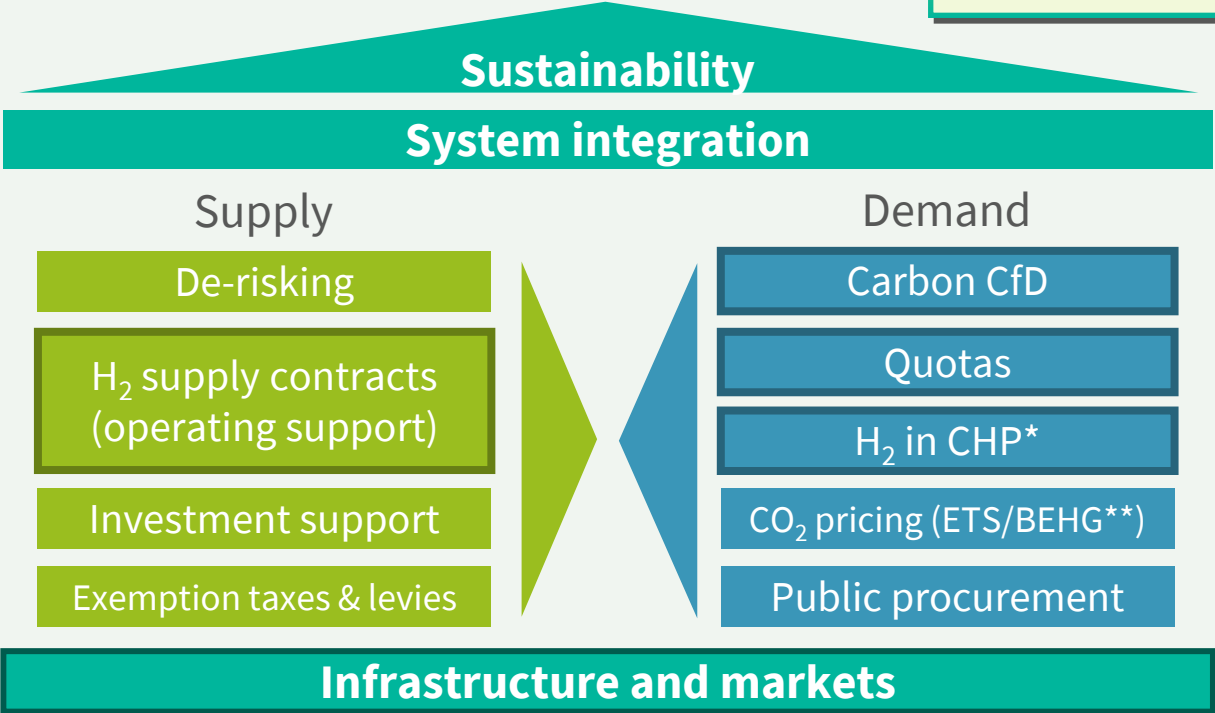
Policy Developments IV – EU Hydrogen Backbone

Mature Hydrogen Backbone can be created by 2040



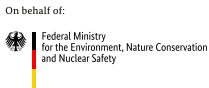
Regulatory architecture – Building blocks of an adequate policy framework for the H₂ economy

Besides **policy instruments**, adequate **support architecture** is needed to ramp up supply and demand for GH₂



*CHP: Central Heating Plant/ Co-generation Heat and Power Plant
**BEHG: *Brennstoffemissionshandelsgesetz*. The German Fuel Emissions Trading Act creates the basis for trading in certificates for emissions from fuels and ensures that these emissions are priced insofar as they are not covered by EU emissions trading.

Source: illustration adapted: Matthias Deutsch (Agora Energiewende) / Matthias Schimmel (Guidehouse), Making renewable hydrogen cost-competitive *Policy instruments for supporting green H2*, ONLINE EVENT, 08 JULY2021, p.16-21.



Policy Recommendations: **Supply** Side Measures

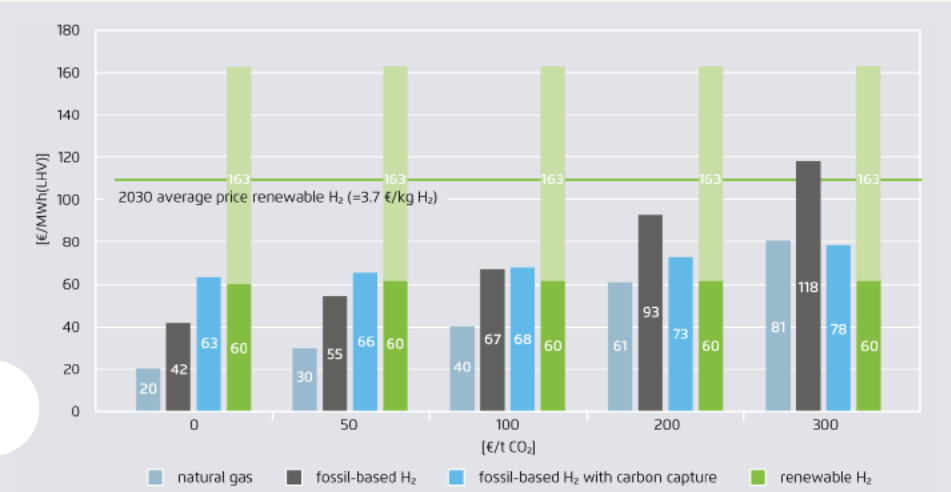
- **Investment aid** could finance **CAPEX** for electrolyzers
At EU level, the Innovation Fund supports innovative low-carbon technologies (such as electrolyzers) with revenues from the EU ETS
- **Exemption** of electrolyzers **from taxes and levies**: decreases cost of electricity, which is largest component of **OPEX**
- **De-risking instruments** to reduce financing costs: significantly lowers necessary investment outlays
- **H₂ supply contracts**: provide support for both production and demand → could be harnessed to address remaining cost discrepancy

Policy Recommendations: Demand Side Measures

- **Carbon Pricing** triggers cost-efficient GHG abatement measures
- **Carbon Contracts for Difference (CCfDs)**: facilitate investment, de-risk long-term investment
- **PtL quota** in aviation would create investment security
- **Fixed feed-in premium for new renewable H₂-fuelled CHP plants** → support per unit of energy generated, covering incremental CAPEX + OPEX cost difference between renewable H₂ and natural gas
- **Green Public Procurement**

CO₂ prices in 2020s won't be high enough to ensure stable demand for green H₂
→ need for H₂ policy framework!

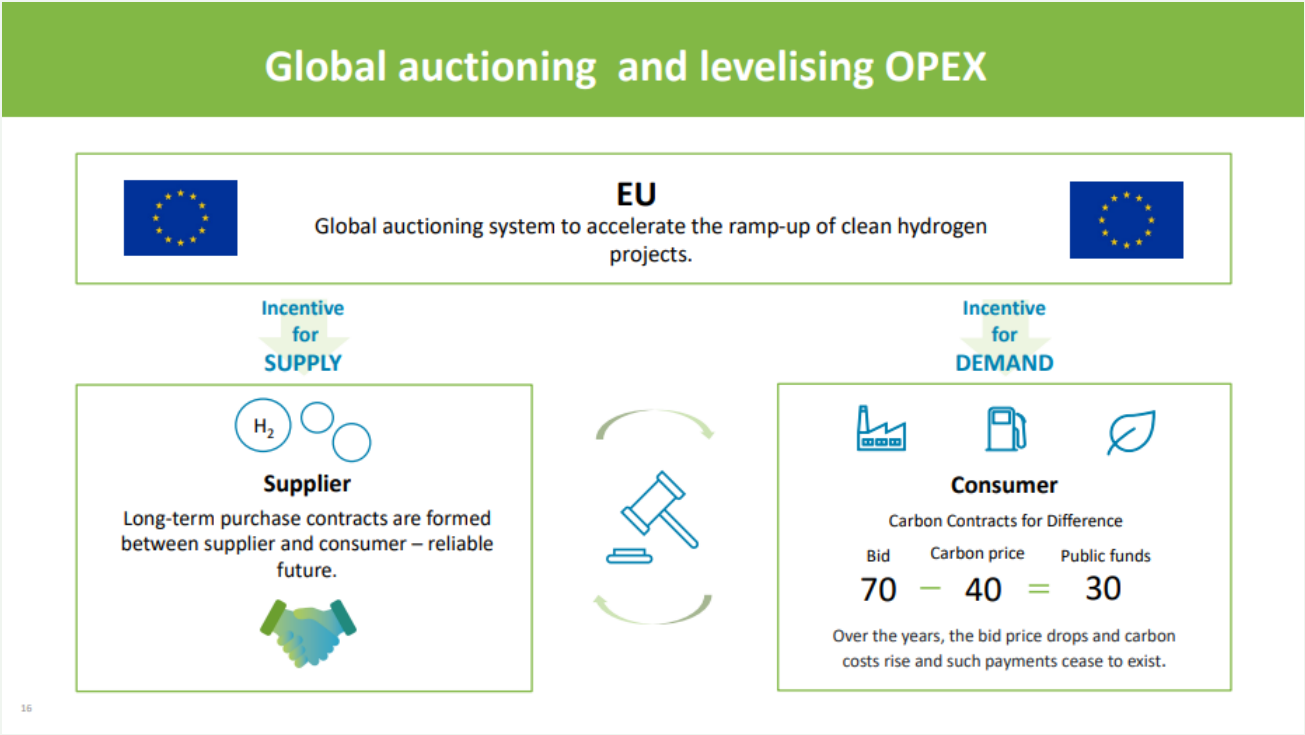
Impact of **carbon pricing** on hydrogen production costs in 2030



For natural gas, a price of €20/MWh is assumed. The capture rate for fossil-based H₂ with carbon capture is assumed to be around 75%

Policy Recommendations

Connection of Supply and Demand Side



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Policy Instrument: Carbon Contract for Difference (CCfD)



Electricity
Generator



Low Carbon
Contracts
Company (LCCC)



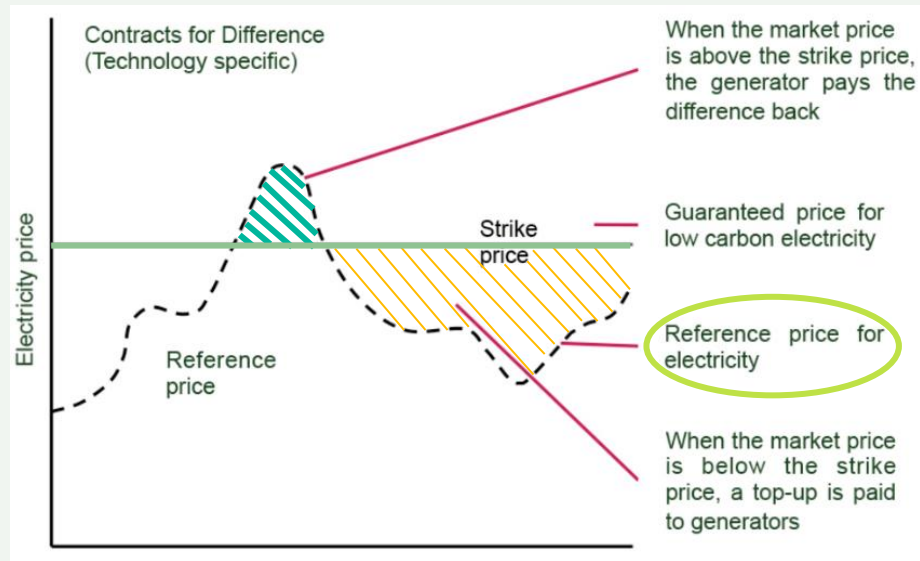
Generator can stabilise its revenues at a pre-agreed level (**strike price**) via long-term contract with **LCCC**.

a) **Market price** < **Strike price**
→ **LCCC pays** difference to **generator**

b) **Market price** > **Strike price**
→ **Generator pays** difference to **LCCC**

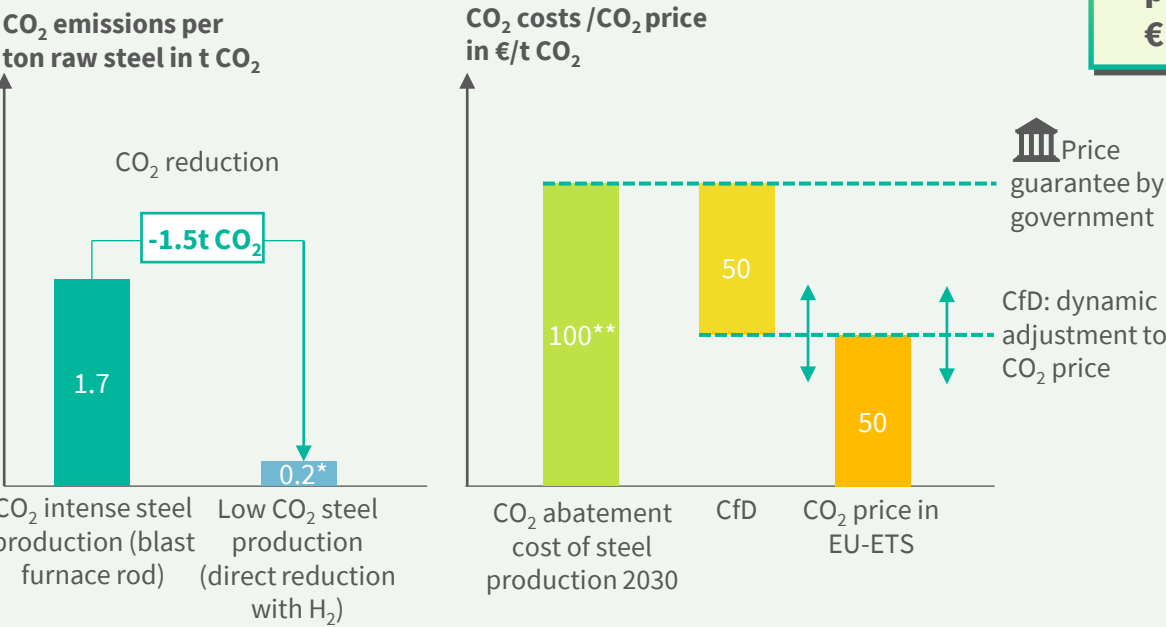
Can also be applied to steel, cement and fertiliser

Goal: **facilitate industry investment in breakthrough abatement technologies** by **offsetting their additional OPEX** while **de-risking long-term investments** and laying foundation for green lead markets.



Example: German Steel Production

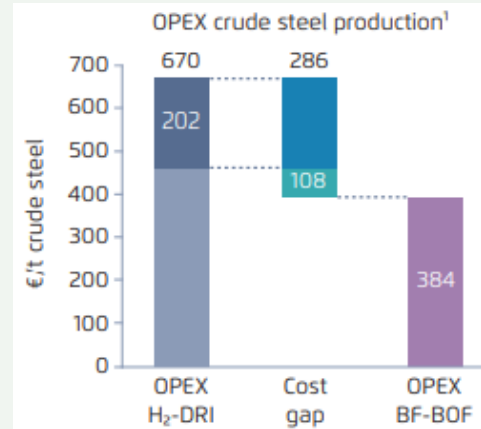
How a Carbon Contract for Difference (CCfD) works



*Assumption: Reducing agent use of 65% green % fossil natural gas in direct reduction.

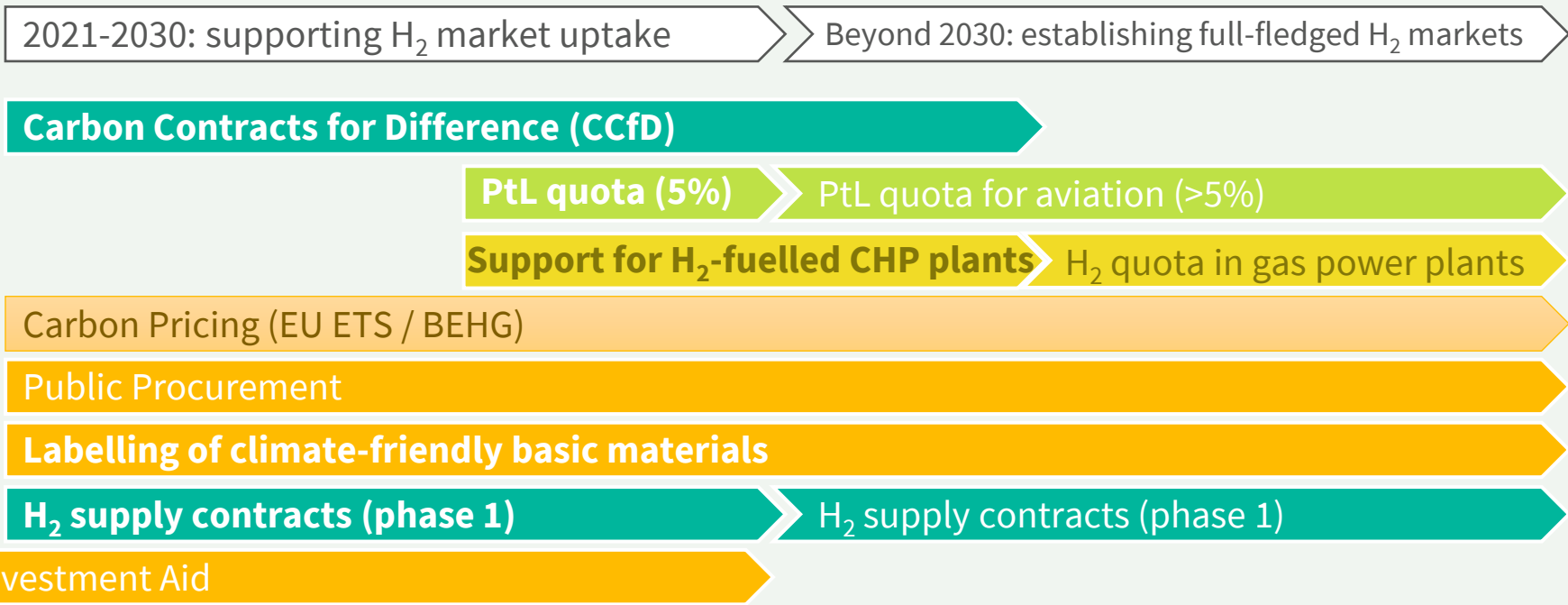
** Assumption: 150€ additional costs per t of crude steel / 1.52t CO₂ saved per t of crude steel.

Funding requirements for CCfDs can be very large: estimates place **funding required to convert 1/3 of German primary steel production to H₂ at €1.1–€2.7 billion per annum** (Agora, p.48).



¹ Under the current free allocation regime. **Carbon price increase** from €50/tCO₂ (2021) to €90/tCO₂ in 2040 would **decrease the cost gap due to higher OPEX for BF-BOF** (Blast Furnace Basic Oxygen Furnace); costs of CO₂ are included in OPEX.

Roadmap of Policy Recommendation Integration (suggestion)



Industry Transport Power Cross-sector

Policy Recommendations: Summary

- Policy framework should **initially target applications where PtX is CLEARLY NEEDED NO-REGRET OPTION**
→ *general* quota is too imprecise and fails to future-proof our infrastructure

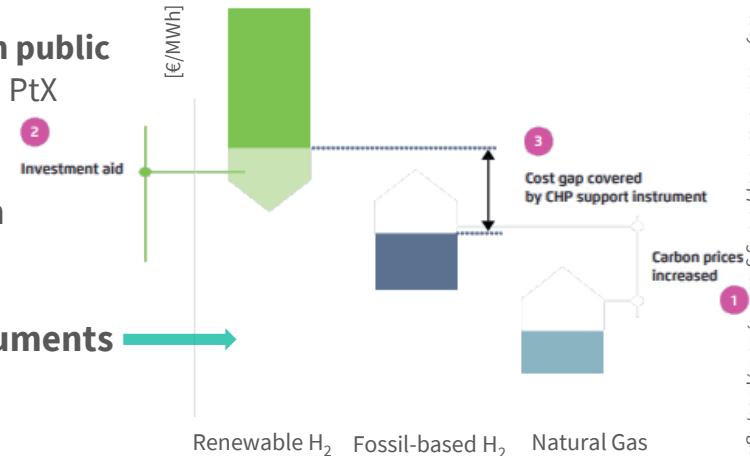
- Scalable GREEN LEAD MARKETS** could help to create a business case for renewable H₂

Short run: **CO₂ performance labelling + public procurement** can help to create lead markets

- Labels:** communicate necessity of a price premium for recouping investment in new production processes (e.g. based on renewable H₂)
- Standards** to determine rules for accounting of embedded emission intensities, e.g. for PtX used during production of basic materials
- Demand creation by government by setting **minimum green public procurement requirements** for basic materials likely to use PtX as an input (such as steel or plastics for construction)

- Supply contracts** can enable competition between production in EU and abroad

- Creating **interaction between demand and supply side instruments** →



Important policy instruments: Development and international cooperation

To get access to premium markets,
EU standards have to be met on an
EU and international level



Creating standards + removing barriers

international standardisation crucial across entire value chain, incl. “guarantees of origin”



R&D, strategic demo. projects + knowledge sharing

improving the access to essential technological knowledge will be fundamental to ensure a fair international market



Co-financing (e.g. for pilot projects)

between countries re-distribute access to financial resources



International stakeholder dialogues

involvement of different stakeholders facilitates internat. trade + creates inclusive internat. framework



International agreements

setting up international trade routes



Strict regulations

sustainability and respect of human + social rights crucial to guarantee *just* internat. cooperation

How to tackle policy making?

(1) Set up a National Strategy first!

**R&D
program is
important
but it may
be adopted
to needs
and
capability
of each
country!**



Source: (adapted) IRENA, Green Hydrogen – A Guide to Policy Making, 2020, p.20/fi.2.2.

How to tackle policy making?

(2) Establish Policy Priorities

Acceleration of manufacturing capacity and tackling high investment costs of electrolyzers + enabling infrastructure

- Grants
- Loans
- Tax Credits

Reduction of costs of renewable electricity for green H₂ production

- Changes to electricity taxes + grid fees
- CCfDs
- Auctions
- Feed-in tariffs/premiums

Addressing sustainability

- Certification schemes
- Eco-labels
- Additionality measures/mandates

Enablement of demand and market entry for green H₂

- Electrolyser capacity targets
- Green H₂ mix targets
- Green product mandates
- Public procurement schemes
- Carbon taxes
- Quotas

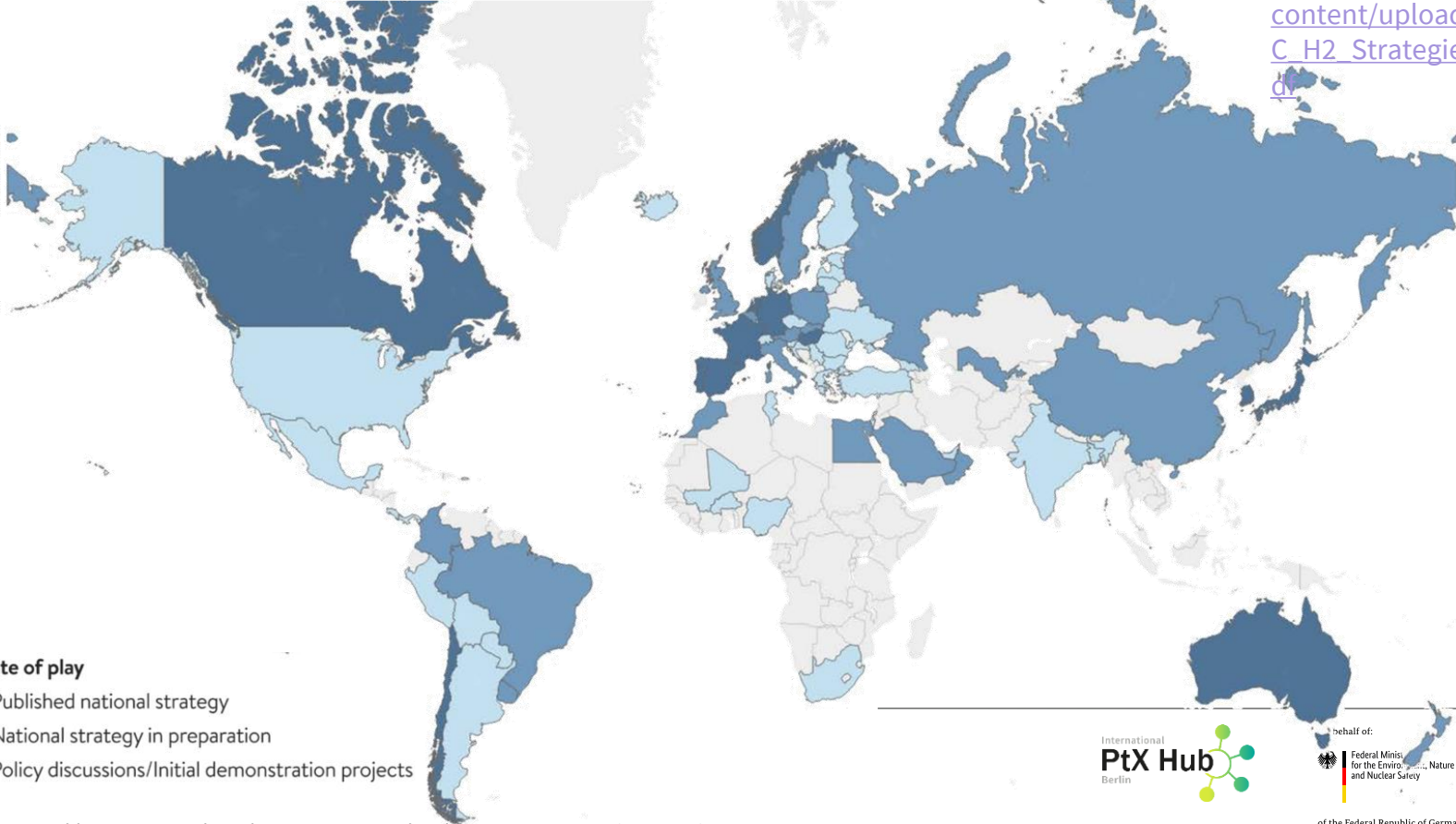
Policies

Where to start?
No regret options first!

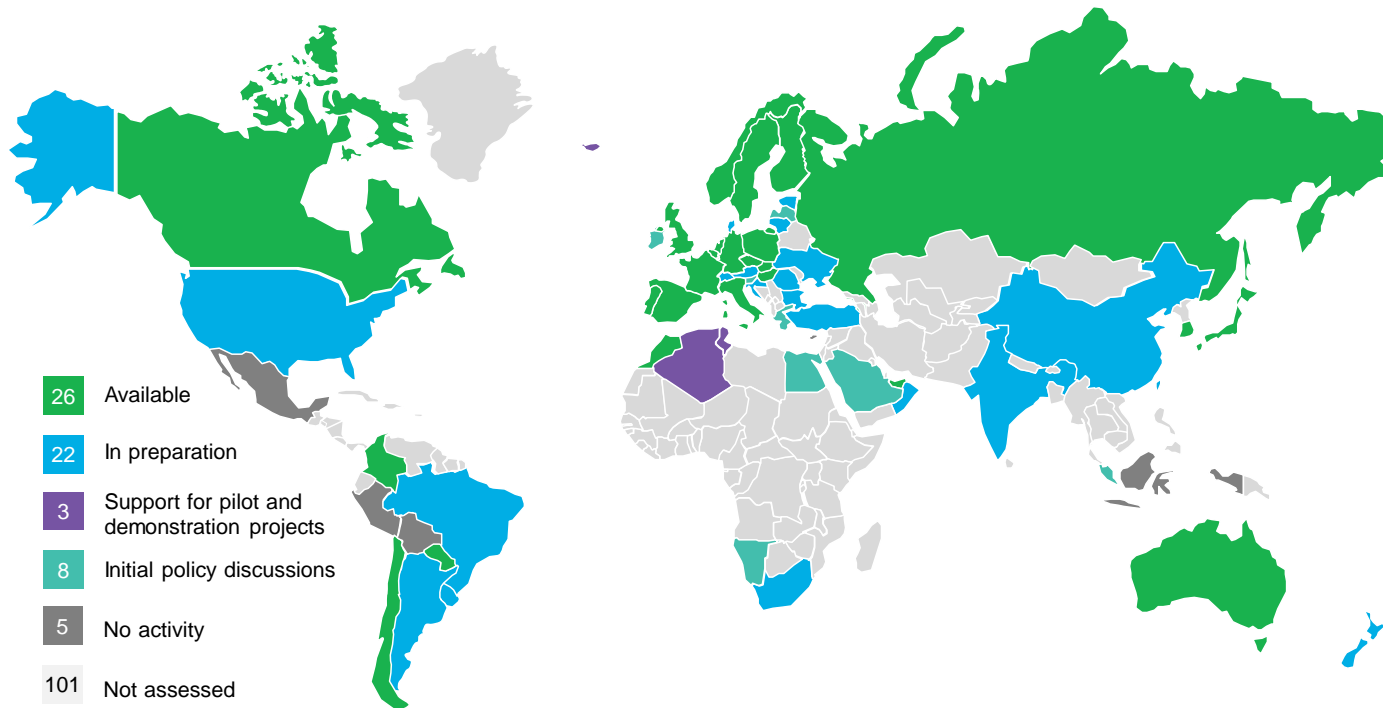
The deployment of green H₂ faces some sector specific **barriers**, some universal (main barrier being **cost**).

Political commitment + obligations (→ sales guarantees) ensure investment security and can be a backbone of a market run-up

CHECK OUT THIS REPORT:
https://www.weltenergieerat.de/wp-content/uploads/2020/10/WE_C_H2_Strategies_finalreport.pdf



National hydrogen strategies as of January 6, 2022



Source: BloombergNEF

MODULE 7: Key messages

Summary of EU Policy Developments (2020-2021)

- When you design a hydrogen project **think from a customer perspective**, the approach must be **holistic**
- PtX faces **the typical hen-egg-dilemma**: technologically ready for take-off, but economically the rocket is not yet flying. **The market alone will not overcome this challenge**
- **To overcome this challenge interventions by governments are required on both side, demand and supply side.**
- There are **five different areas for policy interventions**

Regulatory Architecture and Policy Recommendations

- Besides policy instruments, adequate support architecture is needed to ramp up supply and demand for GH2
- To get access to premium markets, **EU standards have to be met** on an EU and international level
- **Set up a national strategy first**

Market Ramp-up

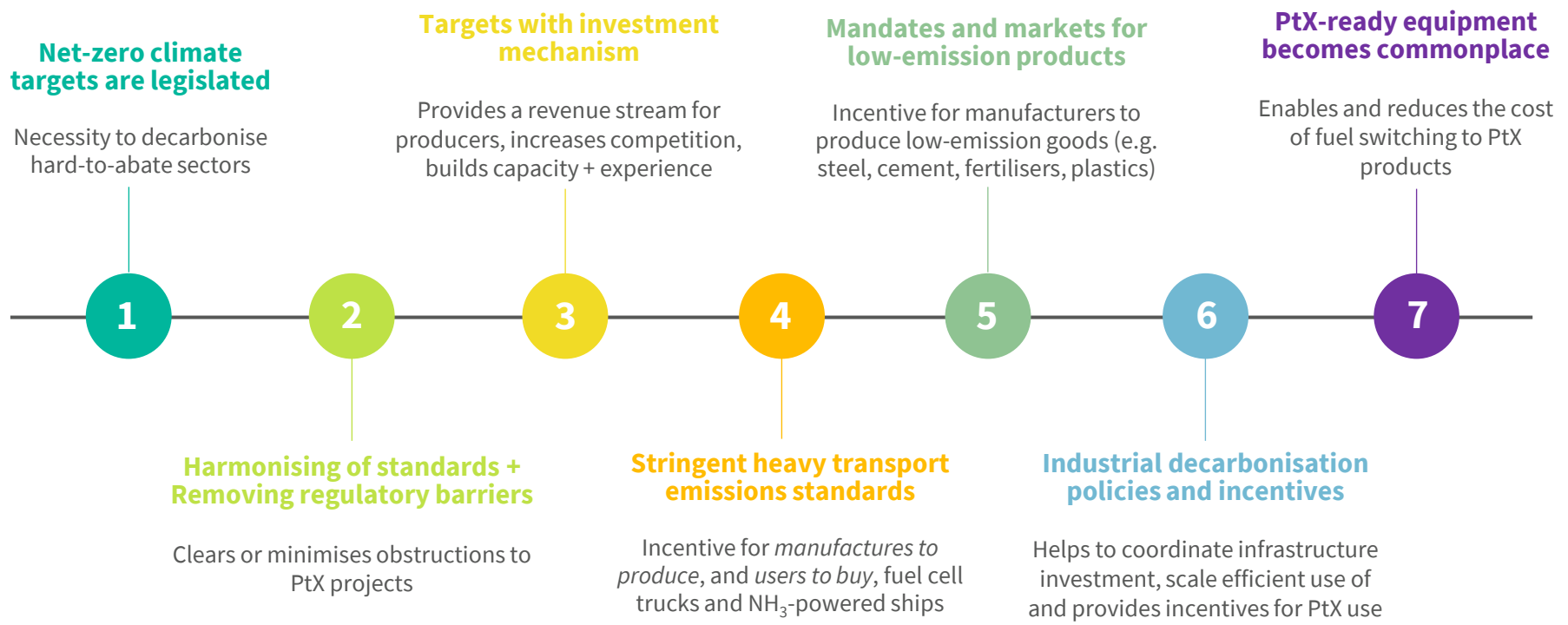
- **Political commitment + obligations** ensure investment security and can be a backbone of a market run-up

Final recommendations

- To be **sustainable, hydrogen (H₂) must come from additional renewable energy.**
 - If not it undermines the overall **powershift towards renewables** (→ additionality).
- By going **the extra mile beyond H₂ towards PtX**, use options and added value creation rise significantly.
- Necessary carbon sources should come from **Direct Air Capture (DAC).**
- PtX can provide **carbon-neutral feedstocks and fuels for industry: chemicals and fertilisers, steel, cement or glass; as well as aviation, maritime shipping or long-haul heavy transport.**
- **Countries should** identify their respective PtX profiles and PtX solution that fit their needs and long-term ambitions.
 - (1) **undertake a SWOT analysis**
 - (2) **develop a national H₂/PtX strategy**
 - (3) **design a PtX Road Map** with measurable targets and clear timelines
- Measures should be aligned with country's **SDG Agenda and Paris Agreement NDCs.**
- **National PtX policy** should be driven by **national opportunities, priorities and needs.**
- **International co-operation** and partnerships **help speeding-up knowledge and technology transfer**, generating mutual benefits, trade and much needed revenue.

Is the renewable PtX really kicking off now? Hype or Reality?

Seven signposts of scale-up towards a renewable PtX economy (BNEF)

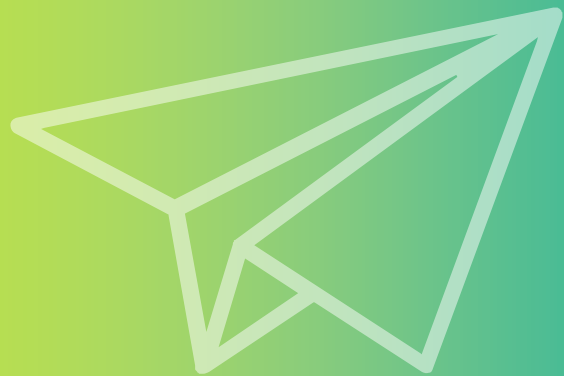




Open discussion

**“How do you want to
start the
development of H₂
and PtX in your
country?”**





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Thank you for your kind attention!

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