



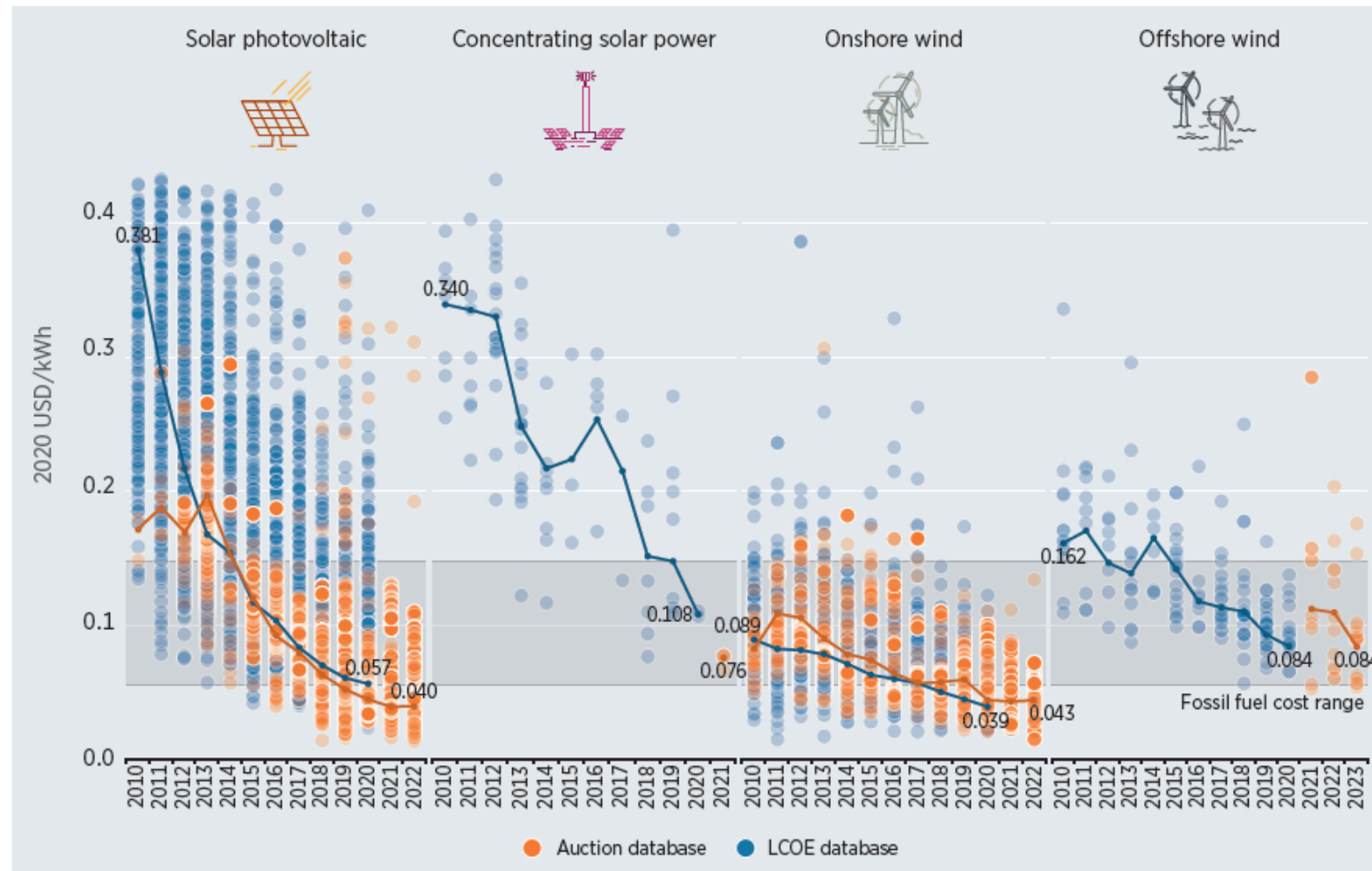
Hydrogen the global zero carbon energy carrier

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Electrification energy system both in supply and demand

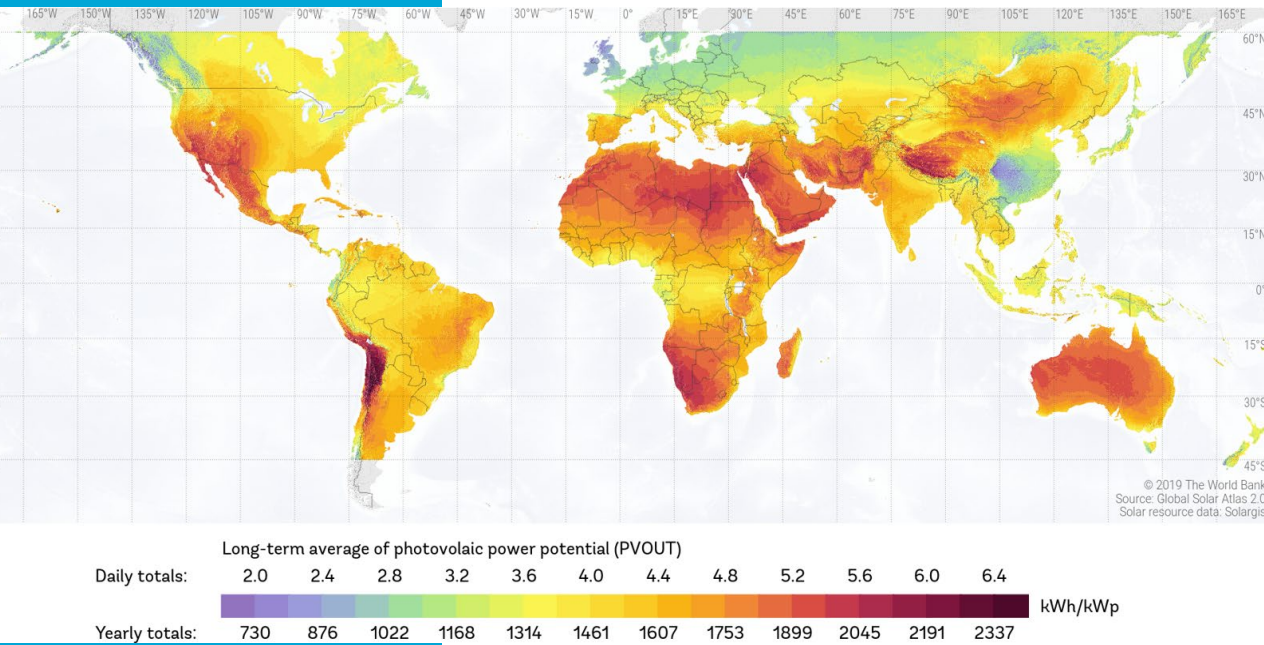
Important Key driver is low cost renewable electricity



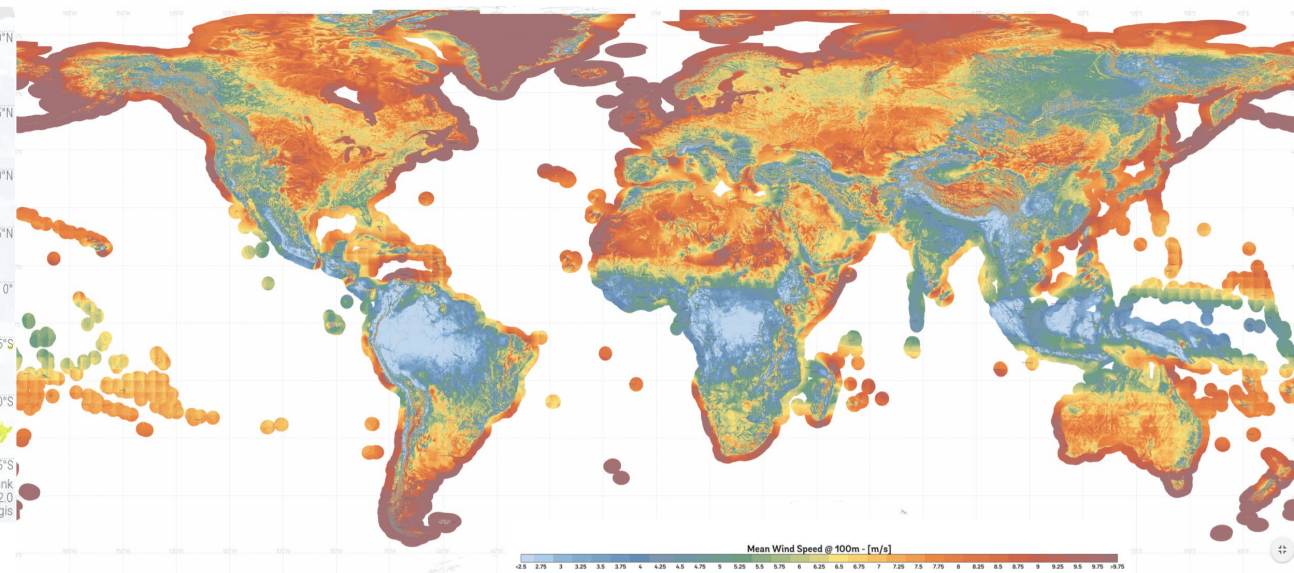
Source: IRENA Renewable Cost and Auction and PPA Databases

IRENA, "Renewable power generation costs in 2020," <https://www.irena.org/publications/2021/Jun/Renewable-Power-Costs-in-2020>

Low cost solar and wind electricity at good solar and wind resources sites, often far from energy demand



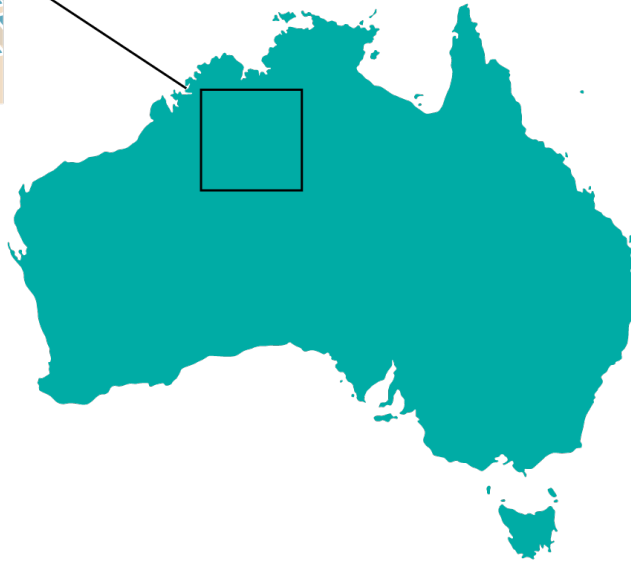
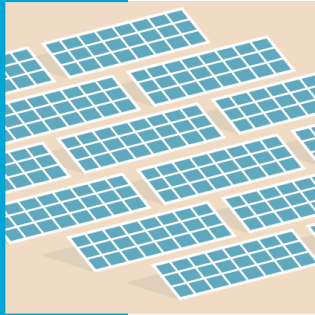
Solar Resources Map



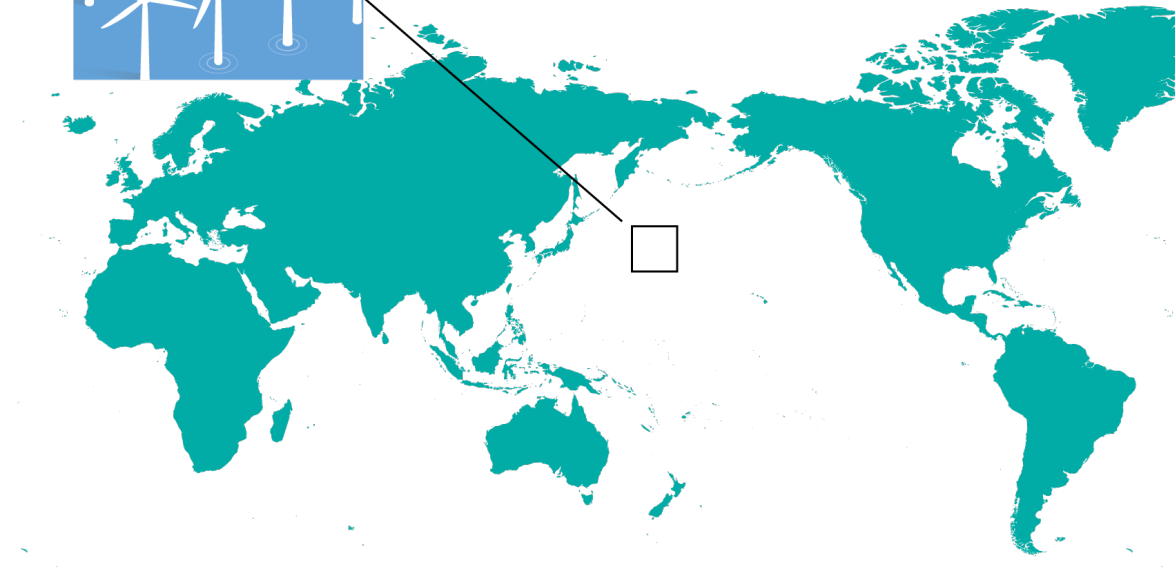
Wind Speed at 100 meter height Map

Surface needed to produce all the world's energy

556 EJ = 155.000 TWh



10% SOLAR AUSTRALIA



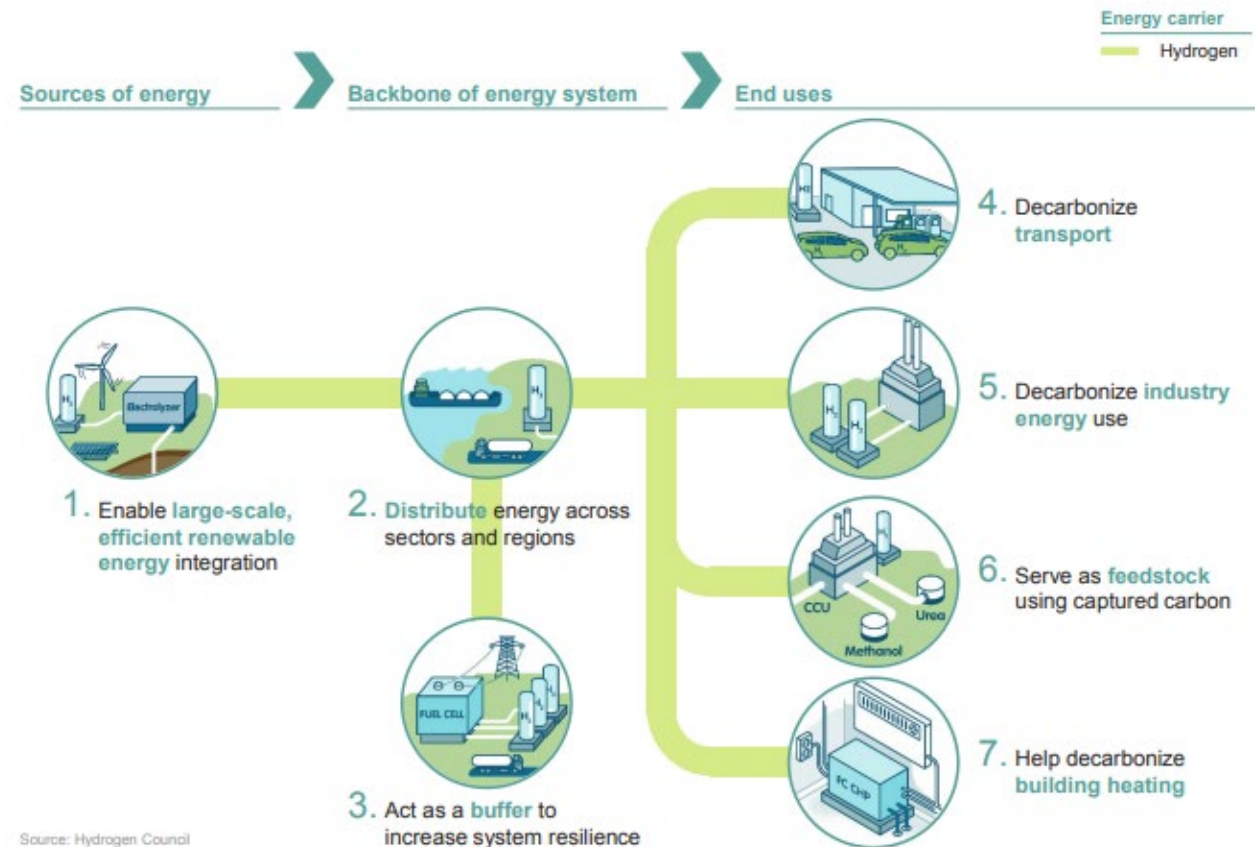
1.5% WIND PACIFIC OCEAN

A. van Wijk, E. van der Roest and J. Boere, Solar Power to the People, Nieuwegein-Utrecht: Allied Waters, 2017

Hydrogen in a carbon-free energy system

1. To deliver cheap solar and wind energy cost-effectively at the right time and place (transport and storage)
2. To decarbonize hard to abate energy use (industry, feedstock, mobility, heating and balancing electricity system)

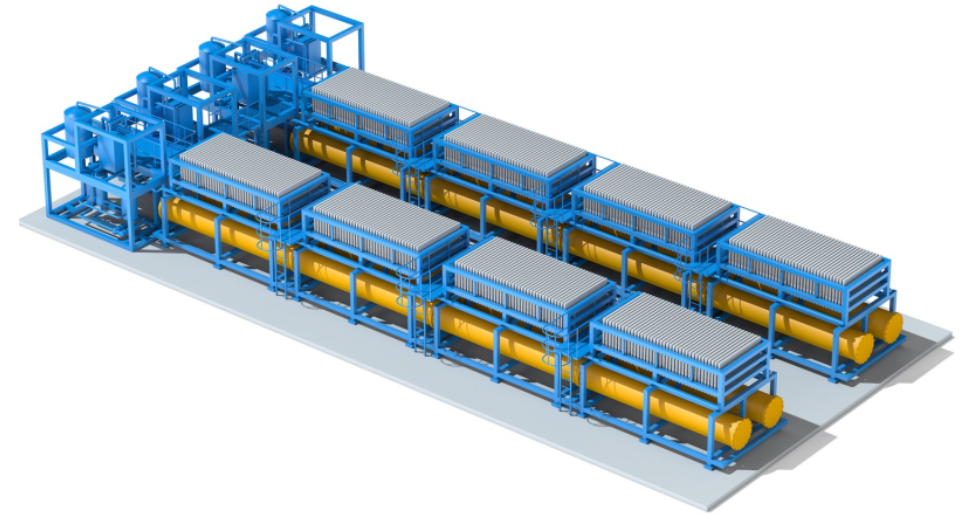
Finally cost competition between imported hydrogen with regionally produced hydrogen and electricity



Hydrogen like electricity is an energy carrier

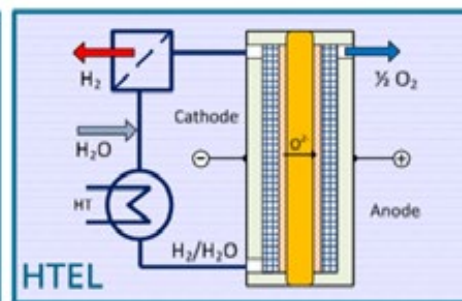
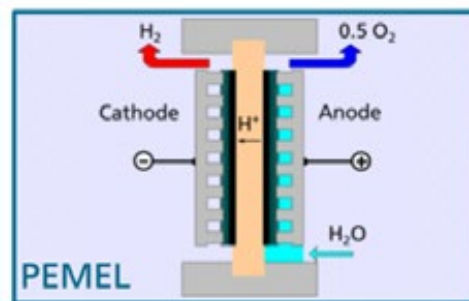
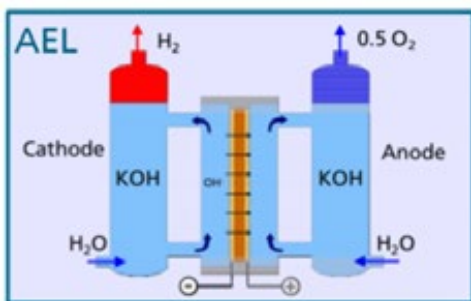
Source	Process/Technology	Maturity	Output	'Colour' of Hydrogen
Natural gas	Steam methane reforming	Mature	$H_2 + CO_2$	Grey or blue , 50-90% of CO_2 can be captured + stored Turquoise , CO_2 emissions depend on the source for electricity production
	Auto-thermal reforming	Mature	$H_2 + CO_2$	
	Thermal Pyrolysis	First plant 2025	$H_2 + C$	
Coal	Gasification	Mature	$H_2 + CO_2 + C$	Brown or blue , 50-90% of CO_2 can be captured + stored
	Underground coal gasification	Projects exist	$H_2 + CO_2$	
Solid Biomass, Biogenic waste	Gasification	Near Maturity	$H_2 + CO_2 + C$	Green Negative CO_2 emissions possible
	Plasma gasification	First Plant 2023	$H_2 + CO_2$	
Wet Biomass, Biogenic waste	Super critical water gasification	First Plant 2023	$H_2 + CH_4 + CO_2$	Green Negative CO_2 emissions possible
	Microbial Electrolysis Cell	Laboratory	$H_2 + CH_4$	
Electricity + Water	Electrolysis			Shades of grey to green and pink depend on the source for electricity production
	Alkaline	Mature	$H_2 + O_2$	
	PEM	Near Maturity	$H_2 + O_2$	
Sunlight+Water	SOEC	Pilot Plants	$H_2 + O_2$	Green
	Photoelectrochemical	Laboratory	$H_2 + O_2$	

Power to hydrogen technology: Water Electrolysis



20 MW alkaline electrolyser ThyssenKrupp

Technology	Temp. Range	Cathodic Reaction (HER)	Charge Carrier	Anodic Reaction (OER)
Alkaline electrolysis	40 - 90 °C	$2H_2O + 2e^- \Rightarrow H_2 + 2OH^-$	OH^-	$2OH^- \Rightarrow \frac{1}{2}O_2 + H_2O + 2e^-$
Membrane electrolysis	20 - 100 °C	$2H^+ + 2e^- \Rightarrow H_2$	H^+	$H_2O \Rightarrow \frac{1}{2}O_2 + 2H^+ + 2e^-$
High temp. electrolysis	700 - 1000 °C	$H_2O + 2e^- \Rightarrow H_2 + O^{2-}$	O^{2-}	$O^{2-} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{2}O_2 + 2e^-$

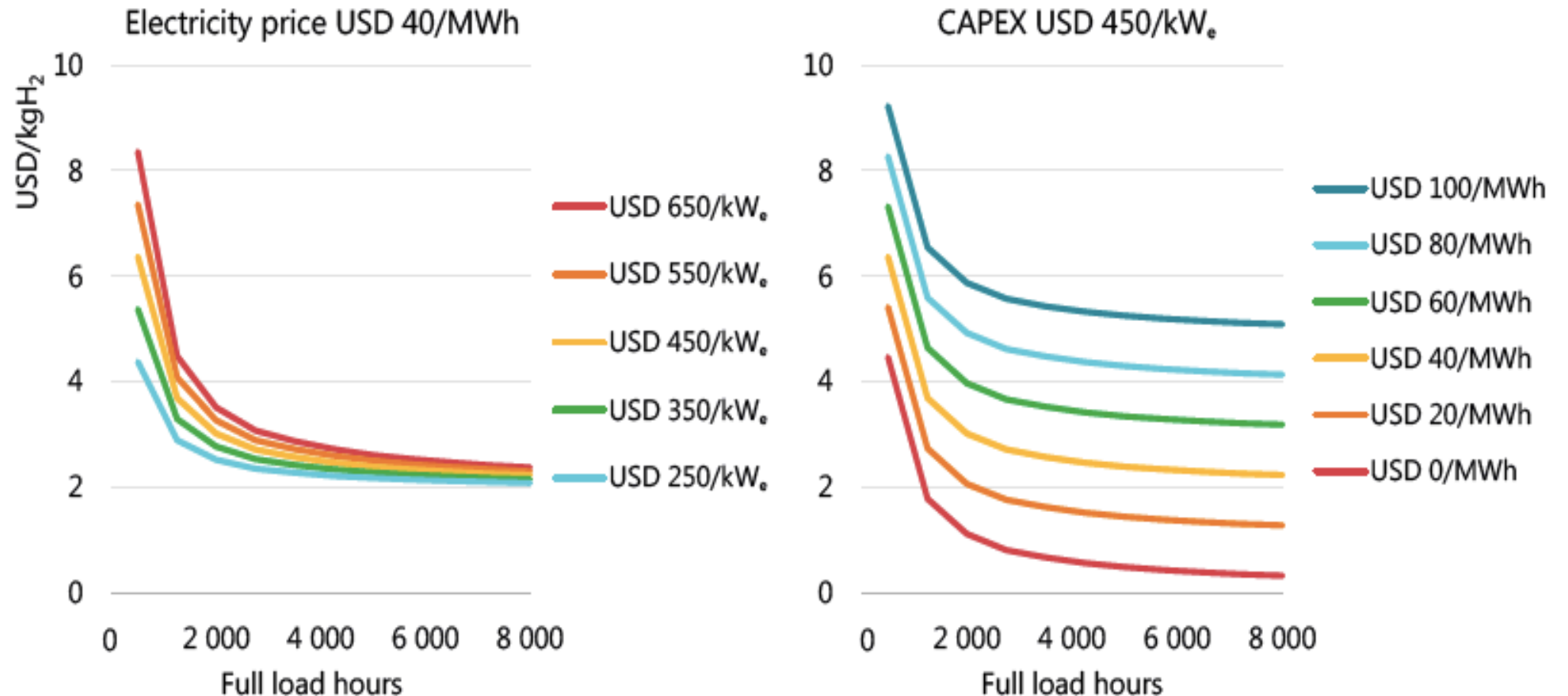


	5 MW module	20 MW module
Design capacity H ₂	1000 Nm ³ /h	4000 Nm ³ /h
Efficiency electrolyzer (DC)	> 82% _{HHV} *	> 82% _{HHV} *
Power consumption (DC)	max. 4.3 kWh/Nm ³ H ₂	max. 4.3 kWh/Nm ³ H ₂
Water consumption	<1l/Nm ³ H ₂	<1l/Nm ³ H ₂
Standard operation window	10% - 100%	10% - 100%
H ₂ product quality at electrolyzer outlet	> 99.95% purity (dry basis)	> 99.95% purity (dry basis)
H ₂ product quality after treatment (optional)	as required by customer, up to 99.9998 %	as required by customer, up to 99.9998 %
H ₂ product pressure at module outlet	~300 mbar	~300 mbar
Operating temperature	up to 90 °C	up to 90 °C

* HHV = calculated with reference to higher heating value of hydrogen.
All values may vary depending on operating conditions.

Power to Hydrogen production cost; LCoH

Electricity cost dominant in hydrogen cost; every 10 USD/kWh electricity = 0.5 USD/kg H₂ (at 80% efficiency HHV)



Notes: MWh = megawatt hour. Based on an electrolyser efficiency of 69% (LHV) and a discount rate of 8%.

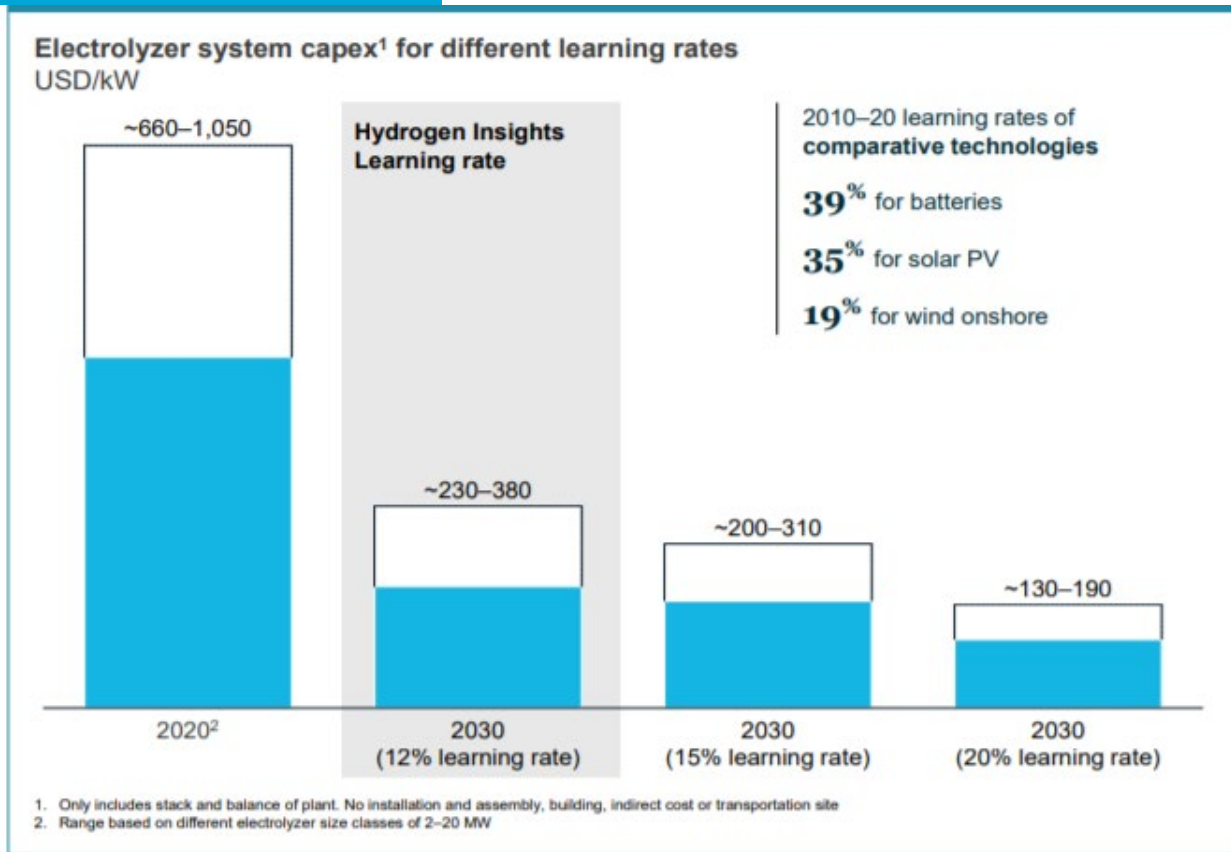
Source: IEA 2019. All rights reserved.

Future levelized cost of hydrogen production by operating hour for different electrolyser investment costs (left) and electricity costs (right), from *The Future of Hydrogen* (IEA 2019) (LHV efficiency 69% is HHV efficiency 81%)

Technology structure electrolyzers similar to solar PV, batteries, fuel cells

Technology structure:

- Cells as the fundamental production unit
- Cells are grouped or stacked together in modules or stacks as a physical production unit.
- A number of modules/stacks together with balance of plant equipment is the system production unit.
- These technologies do not have mechanical components and operates at low temperatures.
- Only balance of plant cost scale with system size, but module/stack or cell cost do not scale with system size.

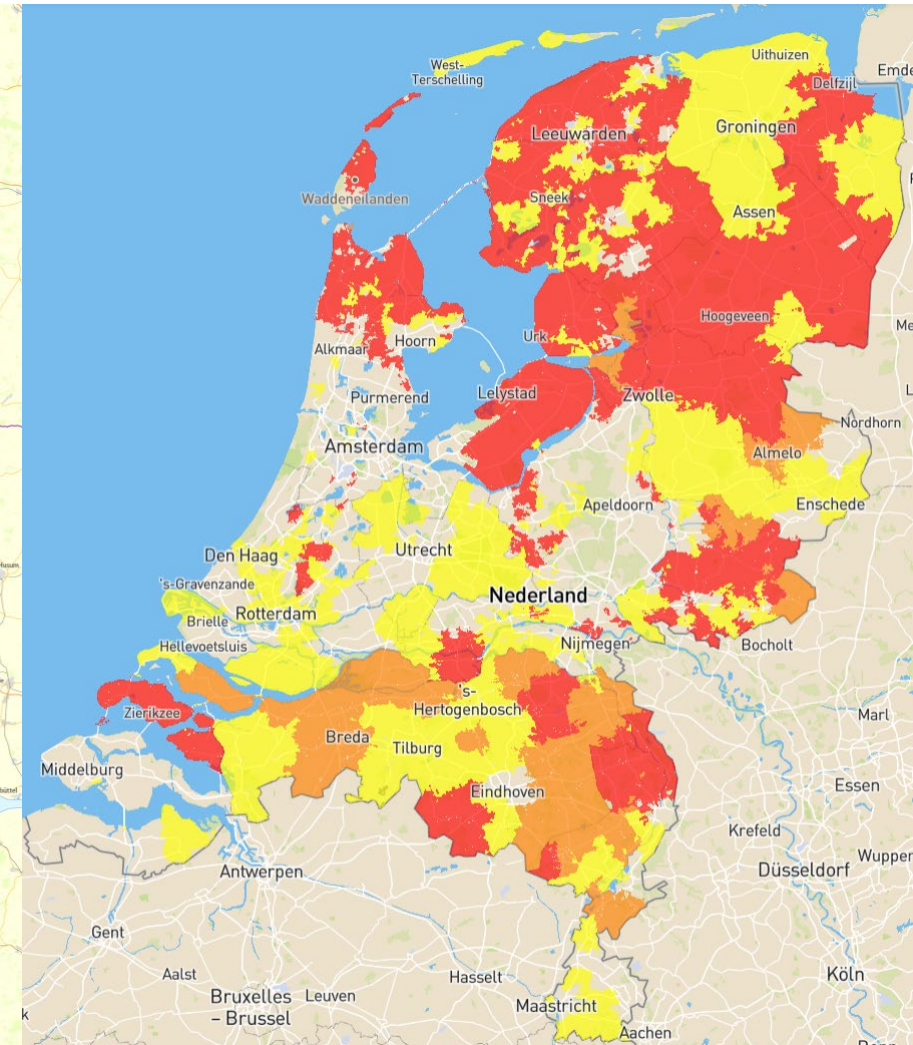
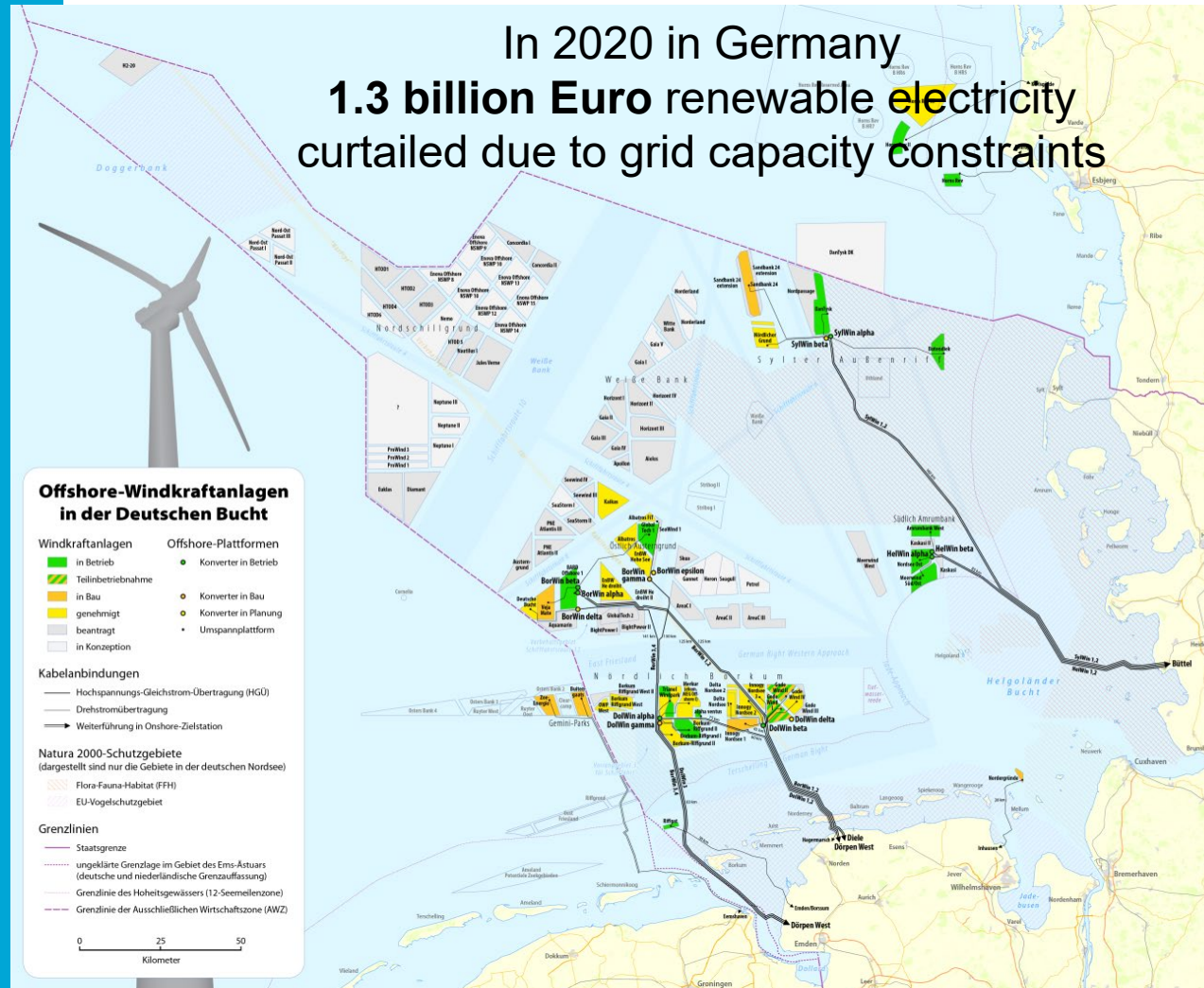


<https://hydrogencouncil.com/wp-content/uploads/2021/02/Hydrogen-Insights-2021.pdf>

Characteristics current gas, electricity and hydrogen systems

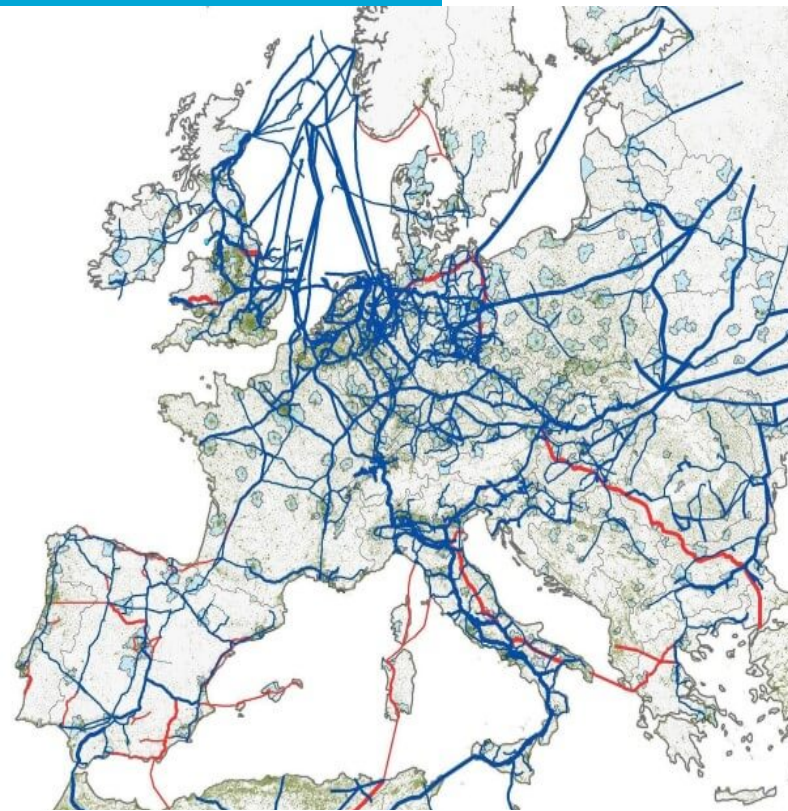
	Gas system	Electricity system	Hydrogen system
Production volume per location	10-1,000 TWh/yr Gas field	1-30 TWh/yr Power Plant	0.1-4 TWh/yr SMR plant
Distance between production location and demand centres	Up to 5.000 km Pipeline Worldwide Shipment	Up to 1.000 km Cable	'Captive' production for demand on location
Capacity Transport Pipeline/Cable	5-35 GW Pipeline	1-4 GW Cable (HVDC)	Some small pipeline infrastructure on and between industrial sites
Infrastructure ownership	Public and Private	Mainly Public	Private
Storage Capacity	200-500 GWh Salt cavern Natural Gas Empty Gas field storage capacity factor 10 larger then salt caverns	5-25 GWh Pumped hydro-power 0.73 GWh Largest battery storage system announced	100-250 GWh Salt cavern Hydrogen Today salt caverns are in use for H ₂ storage

High penetration solar and wind in electricity system leads to grid congestion and electricity balancing challenges



Gas Infrastructure in Europe can be reused for hydrogen

Gas Pipeline Capacity 5-20 GW, Electricity cable capacity 0.5-2 GW
 Gas transport cost roughly a factor 10 cheaper than electricity transport



Gas Pipelines Europe

Transporting gas from gas fields at North Sea, Norway, Russia, Algeria, Libya to Europe



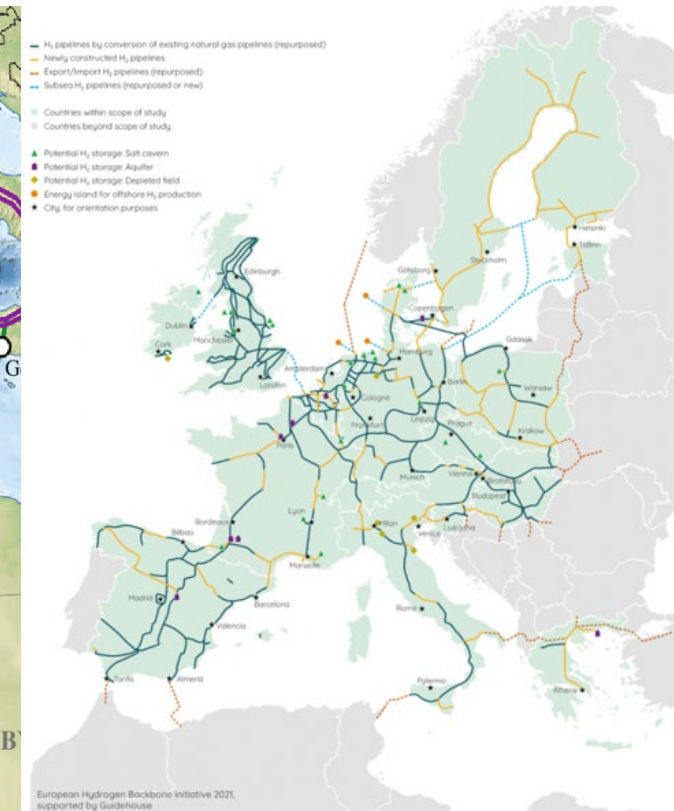
Gas from North-Sea

2017 production
 190 bcm = 1.900 TWh



Gas from North-Africa

60 GW Natural Gas Pipeline
 2x0.7 GW Electricity Cable



European Hydrogen Backbone

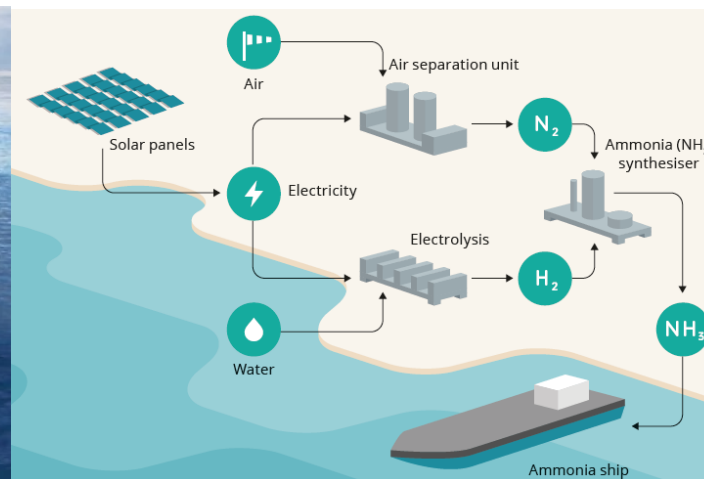
75% re-used gas pipelines
 25% new hydrogen pipelines
 40.000 km pipelines

Hydrogen transport by ship

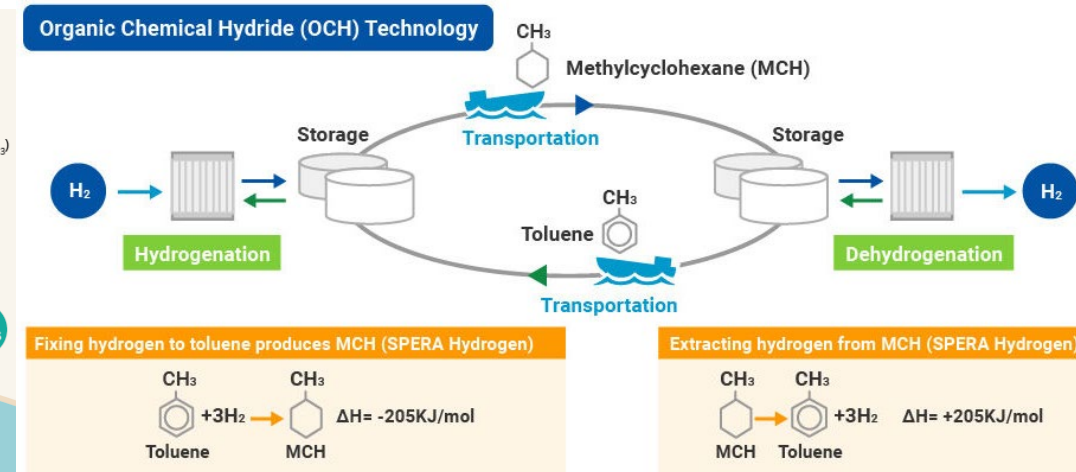
Liquid Hydrogen



Ammonia



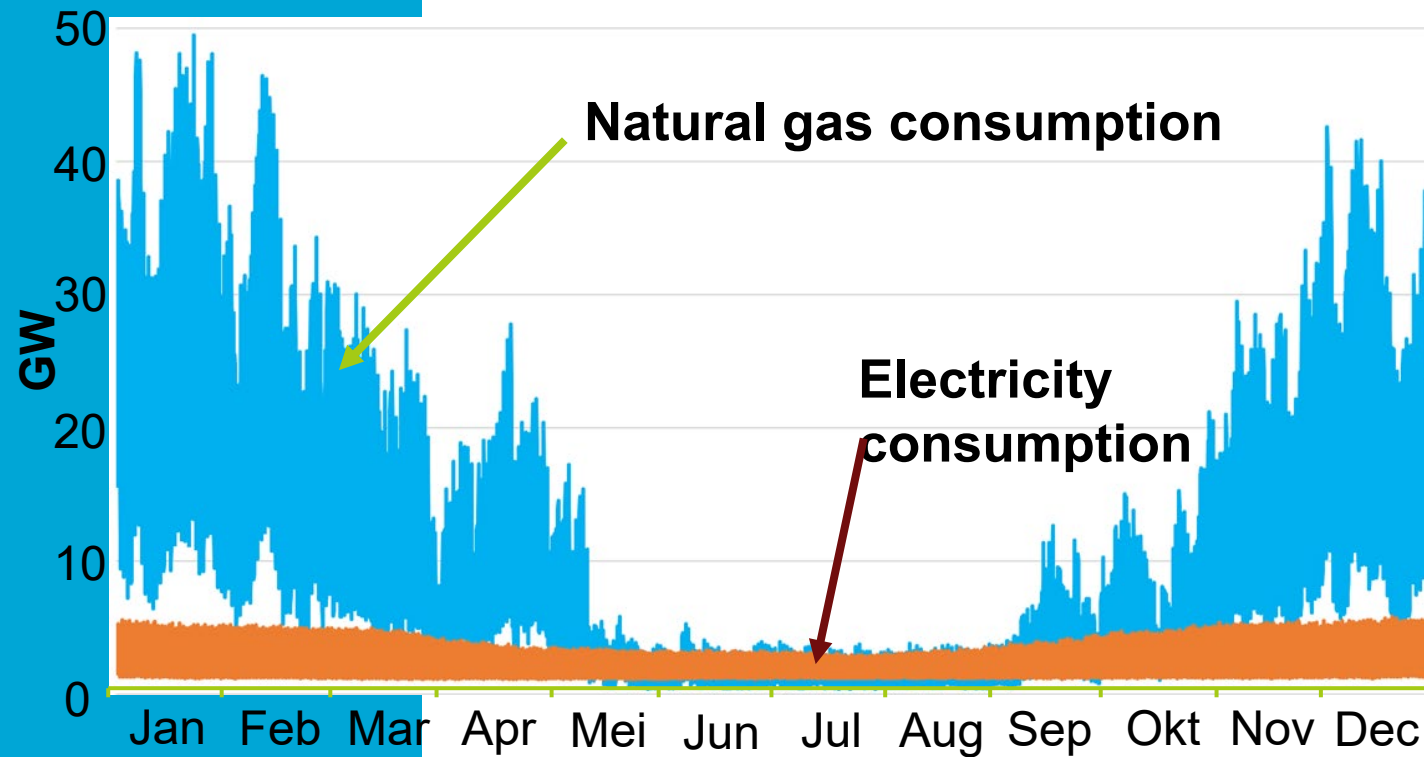
LOHC Liquid Organic Hydrogen Carrier



Storage needed to balance supply and demand today

100 TWh gas storage capacity in the Netherlands

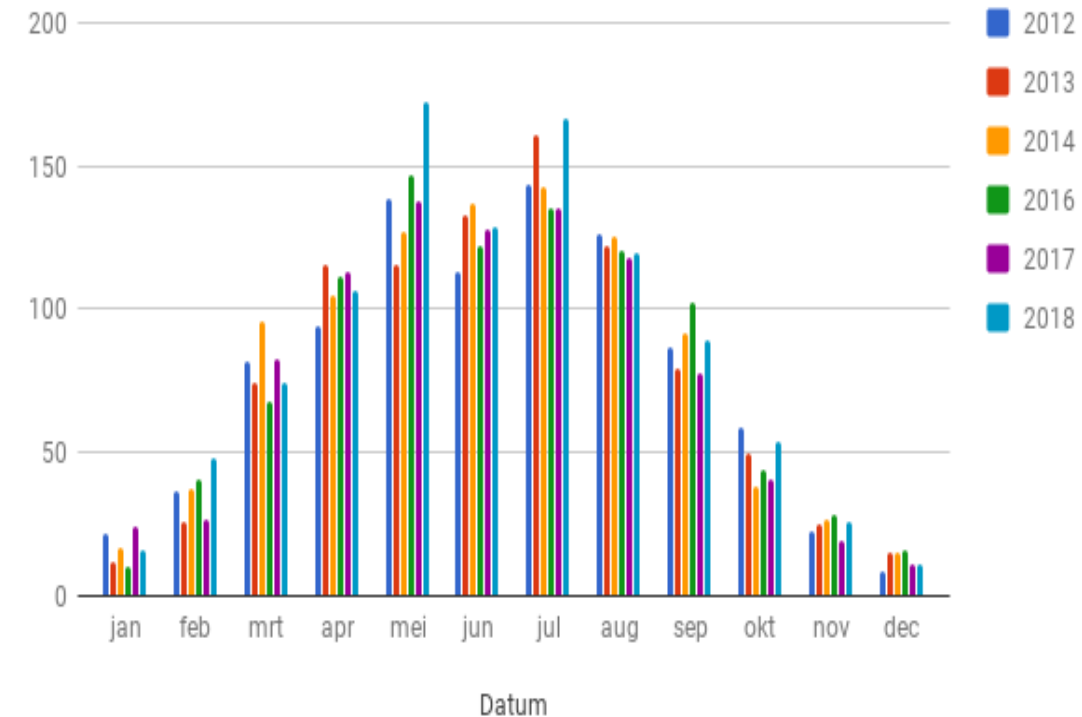
= 1 billion Tesla cars with a 100 kWh battery



7,8 million Dutch houses (2017)

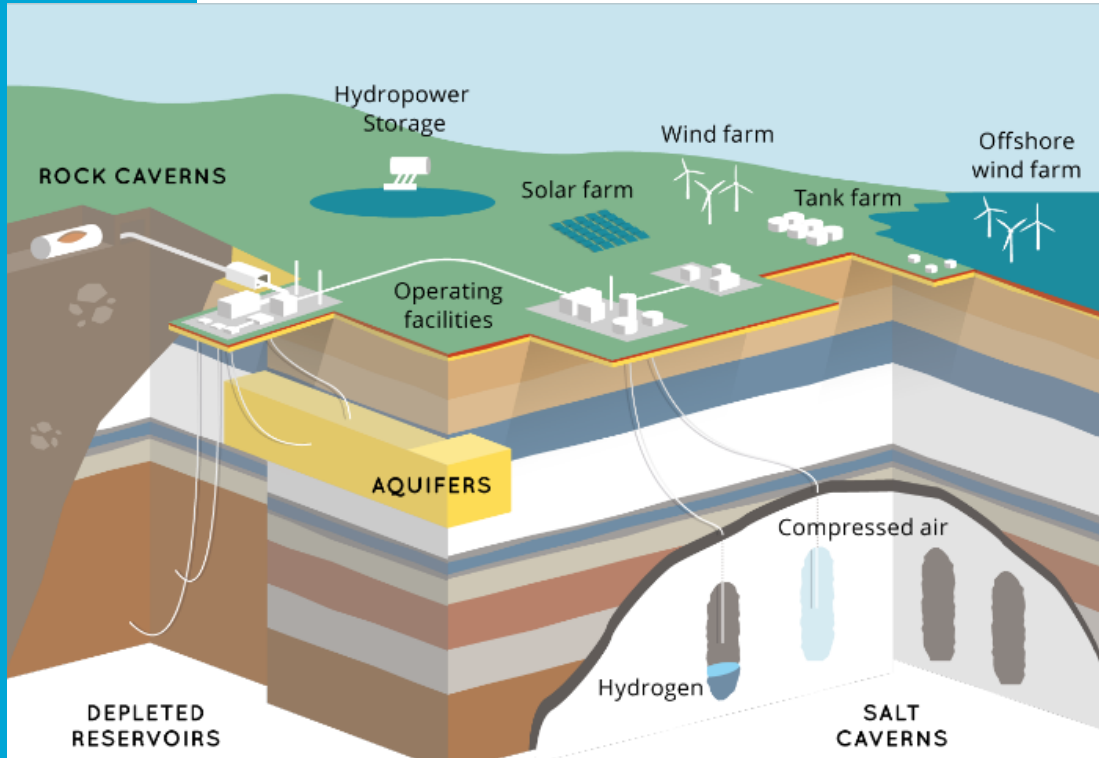
Source: Kellner, 2018

Zon per maand (Zuid)

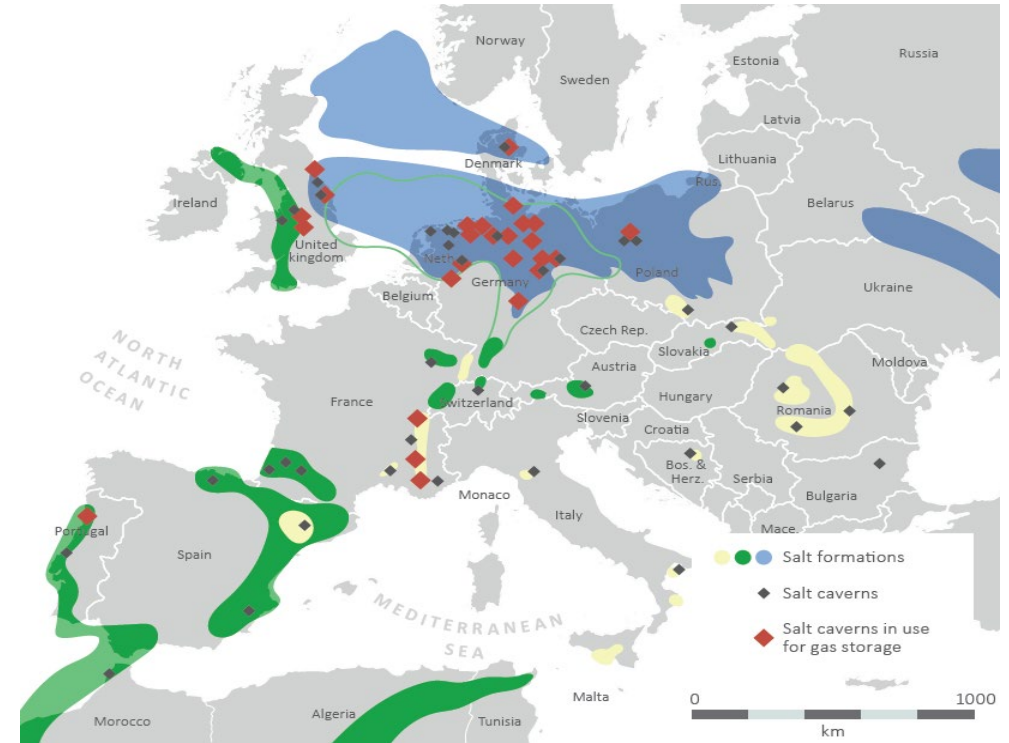


<https://thuiszonnepanelen.nl/opbrengst-van-onze-zonnepanelen/>

Hydrogen storage in Salt Caverns



Salt formations and caverns in Europe



1 salt cavern can contain up to 6,000 ton (= 236.4 GWh HHV) hydrogen, Salt Cavern CAPEX 100 million Euro

Salt Cavern Capex cost less than 0.5 Euro/kWh_(HHV) H₂

Battery Capex cost in future 50 Euro/kWh?

Base load solar hydrogen Morocco to Germany



Base load solar H ₂ from Morocco to Germany		LCoH €/kg H ₂
	Assumptions	
Solar-Hydrogen production	Solar electricity cost = 0.01 €/kWh Full load hours = 2,000 hours/yr Electrolyser efficiency = 50 kWh/kg H ₂ 100 GW solar = 4 million ton H ₂ Required surface = 1,800 km ²	1.0-1.5
Salt cavern storage	Flexible production to base load; daily cycles	0.1-0.2
Pipeline Transport	Pipeline capacity = 20 GW Full load hours = 8,000 hours/yr Pipeline length = 3,000 km	0.3
TOTAL		1.5-2.0 €/kg H ₂ =0.038-0.051 €/kWhH ₂ (HHV)

Worldwide over 40 countries have released hydrogen strategies

EU Hydrogen strategy for a climate-neutral Europe (8 July 2020)

The path towards a European hydrogen eco-system step by step :

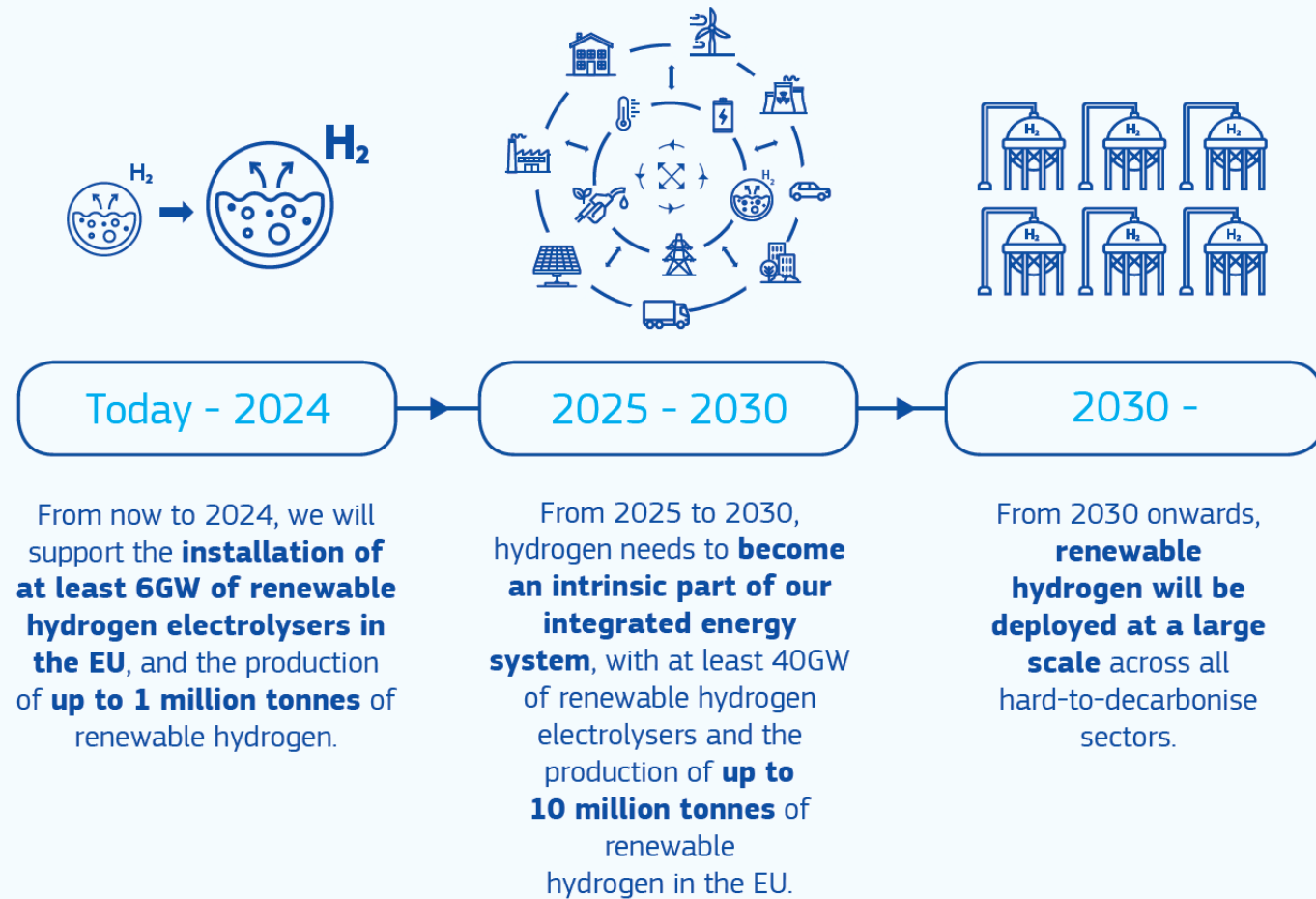


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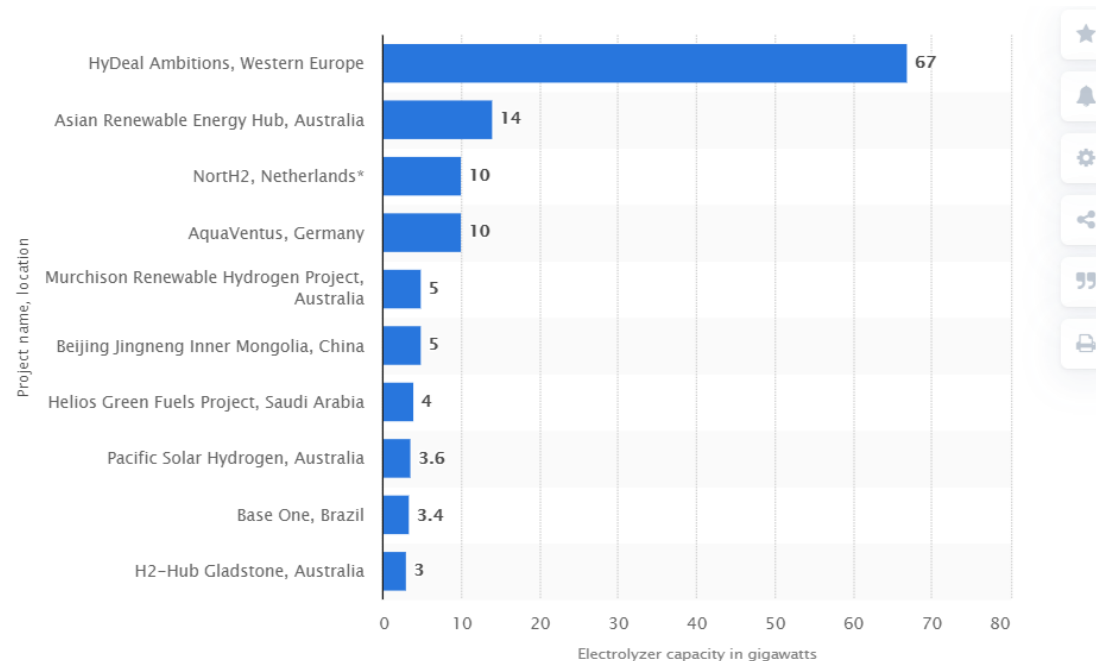
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<http://profadvanwijk.com/hydrogen-the-bridge-between-africa-and-europe/>

https://hydrogeneurope.eu/sites/default/files/Hydrogen%20Europe_2x40%20GW%20Green%20H2%20Initiative%20Paper.pdf



Large scale power to hydrogen projects worldwide develop at an ever increasing pace



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The global green hydrogen pipeline of large-scale projects has a combined capacity of nearly 140 GW, April 2021

<https://www.statista.com/statistics/1011849/largest-planned-green-hydrogen-projects-worldwide/>

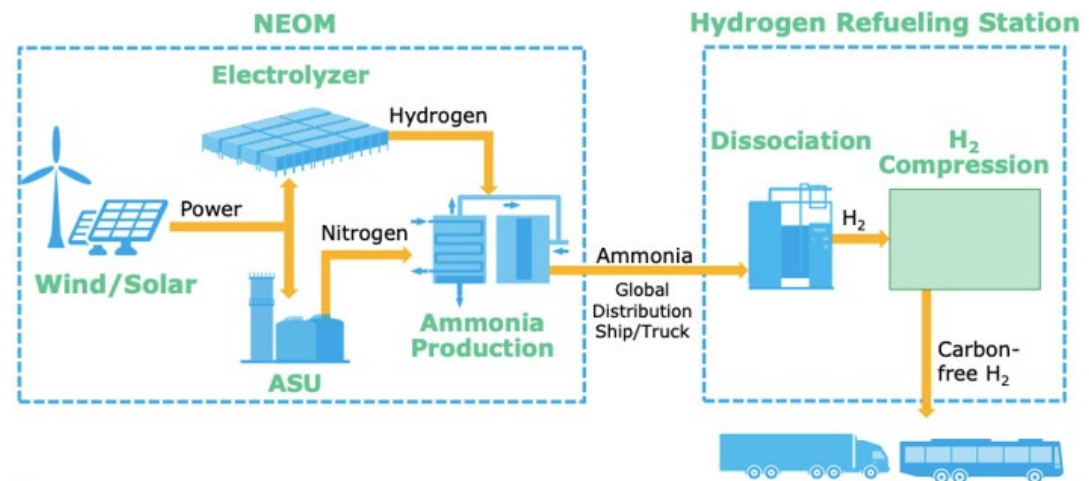
End of June 2021, the gigawatt-scale pipeline alone adds up to about 207GW across 24 projects

<https://www.rechargenews.com/energy-transition/global-green-hydrogen-pipeline-exceeds-200gw-heres-the-24-largest-gigawatt-scale-projects/2-1-933755>

NEOM Solar-Wind Hydrogen-Ammonia

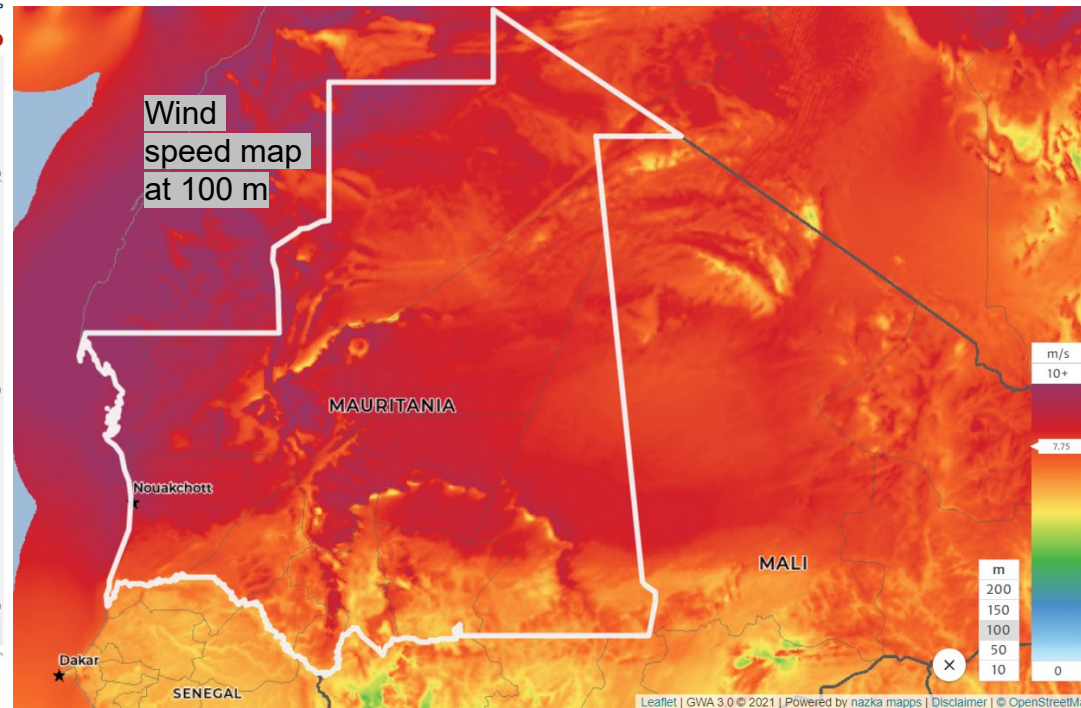
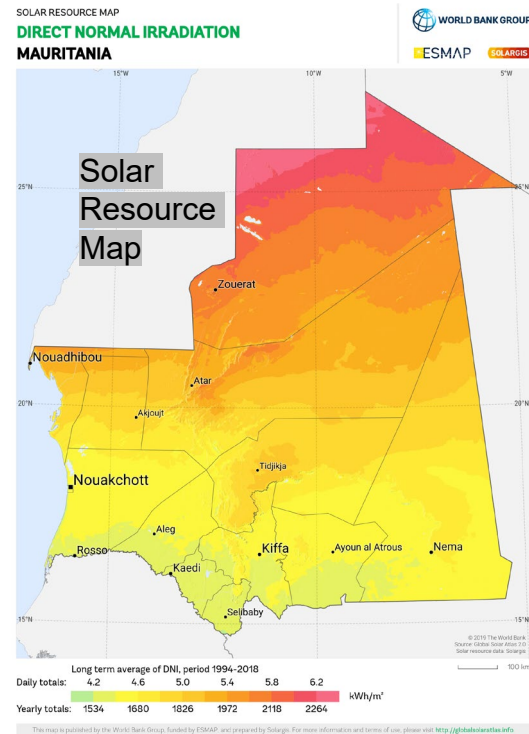


- Consortium: NEOM, ACWA Power, Air Products
- Announced 7 July 2020
- 5 billion dollar investment
- 2025 Operational
- 4 GW Solar, Wind, Storage, 2 GW Electrolyser
- Wind speed 10.3 m/s
- 650 ton Hydrogen per day
- 1.2 million ton Ammonia per year



Mauritania and CWP Global sign MoU for a US\$40 Billion Green Hydrogen project (30-5-2021)

- Project 'AMAN'
- 30 GW Solar and Wind Power to hydrogen
- North of Mauritania excellent solar and wind resources
- Desert size 8,500 km², 0,8% Mauritania (20% the Netherlands, 2,4% Germany)
- Production of electricity and drinking water for local market
- Production of hydrogen and ammonia for global market



Kazakhstan 45 GW wind/solar to power 30 GW electrolyzers



- 45 GW Solar and Wind
- 30 GW electrolyzers
- 3 million ton Hydrogen per year
- Export to EurAsia
- Local use for production of 'high value green products' such as Ammonia.
- German company Szevind Energy, investor and project developer, signed MoU with Kazakh Invest National Company
- Signed 28 June 2021

Offshore wind hydrogen projects starting off

Aquaventus and Aquaductus (Germany)

- 10 GW offshore wind Hydrogen
- 1 million ton hydrogen (= 5.000 full load hours)
- Operational 2035
- RWE, Equinor, Orsted, Boskalis + others
- Pipeline: Gascade, Gasunie, RWE, Shell

NorthH2 (Netherlands)

- 10 GW offshore wind Hydrogen
- 1 million ton hydrogen (= 5.000 full load hours)
- 3-4 GW onshore electrolyser 2030 in Eemshaven
- 6-7 GW offshore electrolyser <2040
- Shell, Gasunie, Groningen Seaports, Equinor, RWE+ others
- Pipeline: Connect to Hydrogen backbone + salt cavern storage



Offshore wind hydrogen

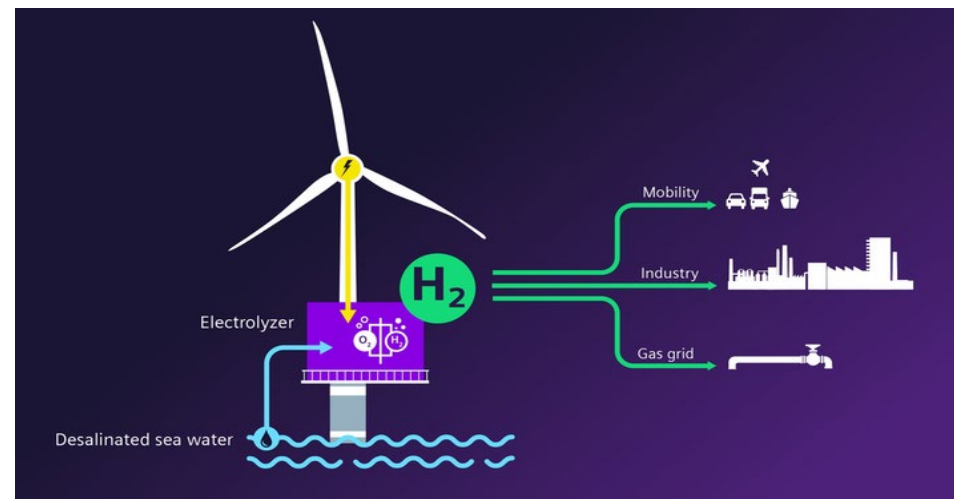
GE Haliade X 12-14 MW



SG 14-222 DD 14-15 MW

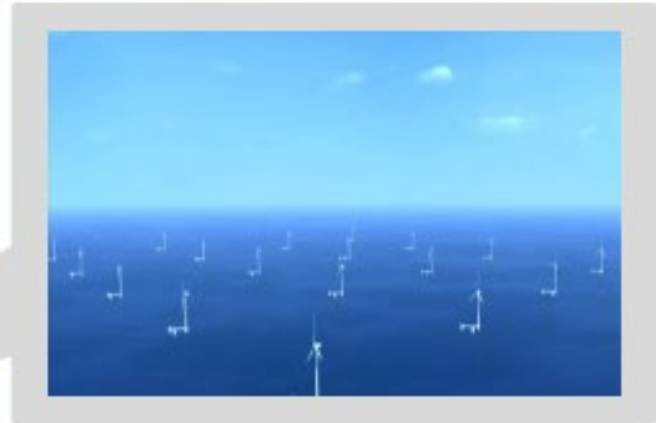
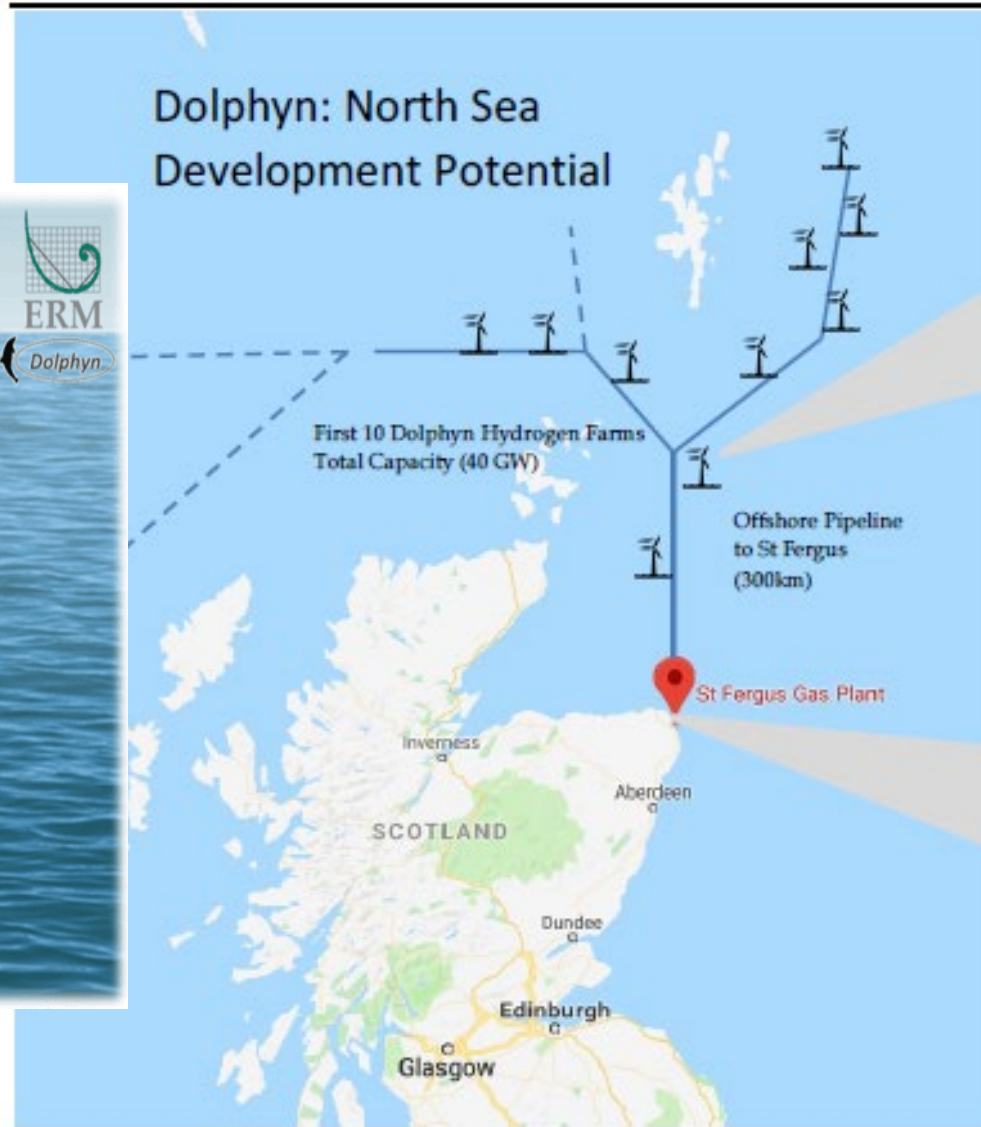
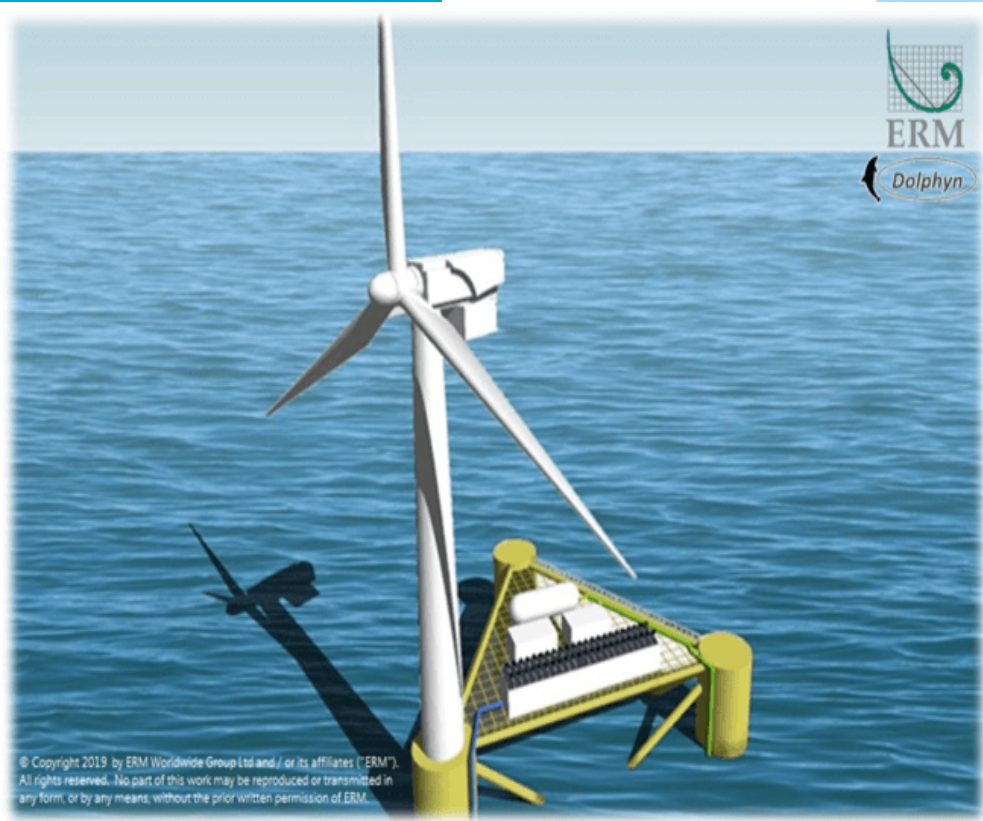


V236-15.0 MW™



SiemensGamesa [SG 14-222 DD offshore wind turbine](#) 15 MW with electrolyser in turbine

Dolphyn North Sea Offshore wind Hydrogen 10x4GW



ERM; David Caine, Molly Iliffe, Kevin Kinsella, Widya Wahyuni, Laura Bond
Dolphyn Hydrogen; Phase 1 - Final Report,
9 October 2019
UK Department for Business, Energy and Industrial
Strategy

Port of Rotterdam Hydrogen Strategy

HYDROGEN ECONOMY IN ROTTERDAM STARTS WITH BACKBONE

PROJECTS

Backbone

The backbone connects production and import (tankers) with clients in the port area. Public infrastructure.

Conversion park

2GW conversion park (industrial estate) for the production of green hydrogen with electrolysis.

Upscaling of electrolyzers

Shell is planning a 150-250 MW electrolyser for the conversion park. Nouryon, BP and the Port of Rotterdam Authority have teamed up in H2-Fifty on the development of a 250 MW electrolyser.

Offshore wind

2 GW Offshore wind energy is linked to the production of green hydrogen.

Import terminals

Large-scale imports of hydrogen compounds are needed to provide Northwest Europe with adequate supplies of sustainable energy. This requires import terminals and pipelines.

Blue hydrogen

H-vision for blue hydrogen production. Natural gas and refinery gas are converted into hydrogen. The released CO₂ is stored in depleted gas fields under the North Sea (Porthos).

Transport

A consortium is being developed with the aim of operating 500 trucks on hydrogen. Under the name RH2LINE, 17 parties are collaborating on a climate-neutral transport corridor between Rotterdam and Genoa based on hydrogen.

Eventually, hydrogen can also be used to heat greenhouses and buildings, particularly where heat networks or heat pumps are not a solution.

In addition to the large projects shown here, many smaller ones are in preparation.

TIMETABLE

Backbone and Maasvlakte conversion park operational (investment decision 2021)

2023

Shell goes operational with 150-250 MW electrolyser on conversion park (investment decision 2021)

2023

H2-Fifty's 250 MW electrolyser goes operational (investment decision 2023)

2025

Road transport: 500 hydrogen-powered trucks

2025

Installation of H-vision operational (investment decision 2022)

2026

Import terminal, pipelines to Chemelot and North Rhine-Westphalia operational

2030

Import mainly from South Europe, North Africa and the Middle East.



Connection to national H₂ grid, Chemelot and North Rhine-Westphalia (NRW).



3x

DUTCH ENERGY CONSUMPTION FLOWS THROUGH THE PORT OF ROTTERDAM

20 Mt

TOTAL HYDROGEN FLOW IN ROTTERDAM IN 2050

200 GW

WIND POWER NEEDED TO PRODUCE 20MT OF GREEN HYDROGEN

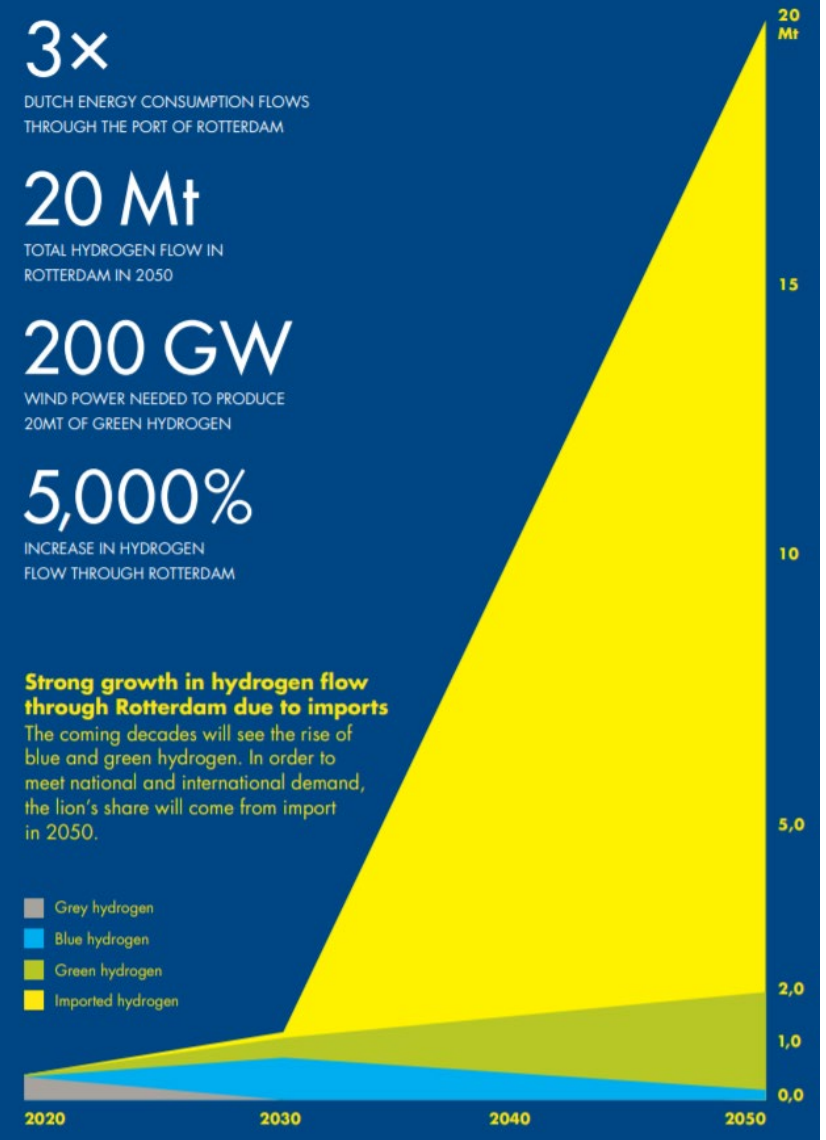
5,000%

INCREASE IN HYDROGEN FLOW THROUGH ROTTERDAM

Strong growth in hydrogen flow through Rotterdam due to imports

The coming decades will see the rise of blue and green hydrogen. In order to meet national and international demand, the lion's share will come from import in 2050.

Grey hydrogen
Blue hydrogen
Green hydrogen
Imported hydrogen

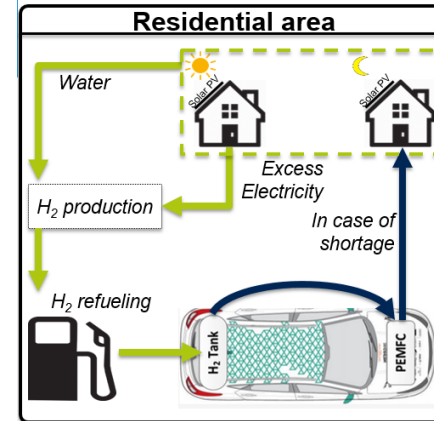


Hydrogen Markets

Industry Feedstock/HT Heat



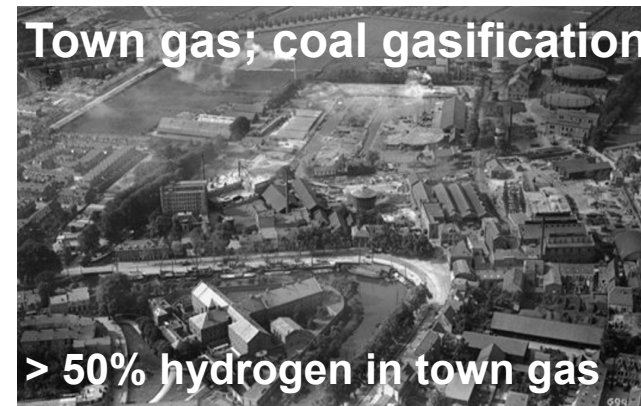
Electricity Balancing



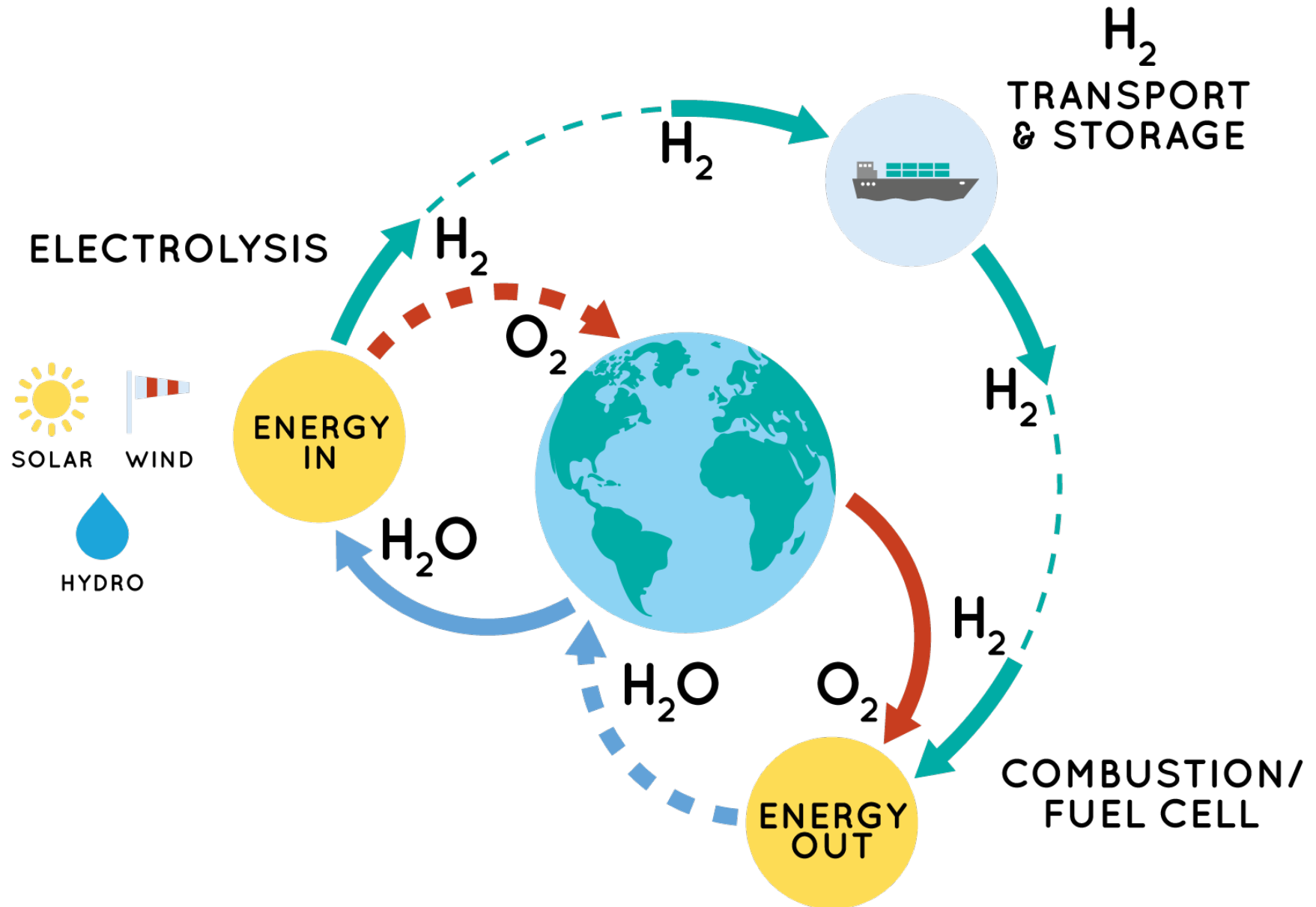
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Heating



The Hydrogen Cycle

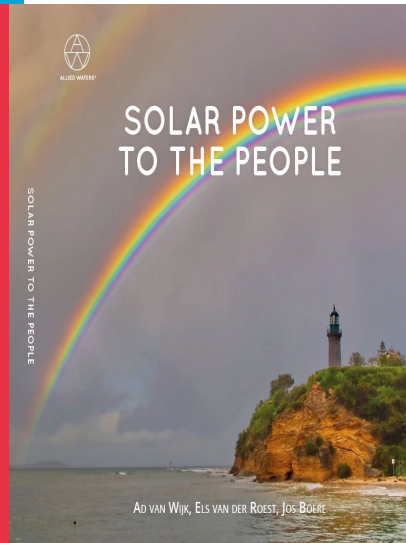


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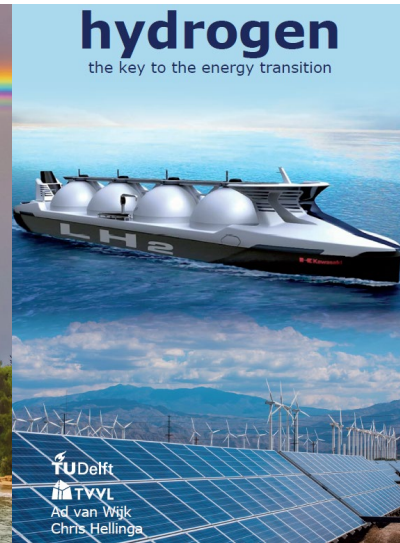
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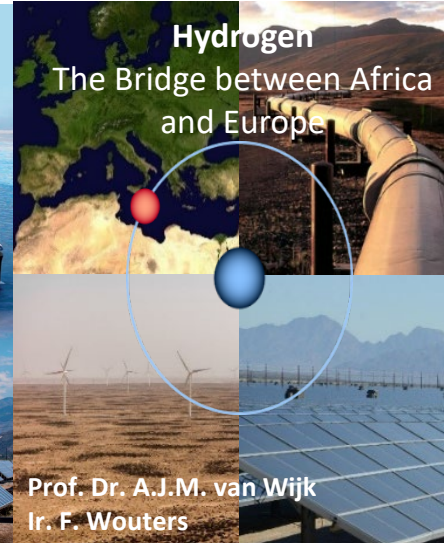
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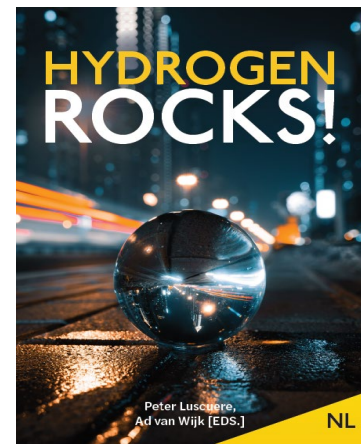
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Waterstof voor gebouwverwarming
Naar 500.000 woningen op waterstof in 2030



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