## SHIP>NL SUSTAINABLE HYDROGEN IMPORT PROGRAM

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### **AGENDA** SHIP>NL SESSIE III 15 MAART 2023

15:00-15:30 WELKOM EN TOUR DE TABLE

15:30-16:15DEEP DIVE: MARKET & SUBSIDY MECHANISMS | PAUL VONK – TATA STEELREFLECTIE: USA LOW CARBON & GREEN AMMONIA | SJOERD JENNESKENS- OCI

DEEP DIVE: ELECTROLYSER SCALE-UP | PAOLA GRANADOS MENDOZA – HYCC 16:15-17:00

REFLECTIE: ELECTROLYSERS: OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE HIGH-TECH MANUFACTURING INDUSTRY | ROALD SUURS - TNO

17:00-18:00 AFSLUITING EN BORREL



### **MEERJARIG KENNISPROGRAMMA MET 5 LIJNEN**

### In deze sessie:

1 Technisch economisch	2 Beleid	3 Markt	4 Internationaal	5 Omgeving	
<ul> <li>Inzicht in importketens productie-conversie- transport-opslag-</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Impact van 'Fit for 55', REDII, Delegated acts, ETS/CBAM, etc.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Marktmodellen: bilaterale contracten, vrije handel,</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Samenwerking met omringende EU/niet-EU importlanden om corridors te ontwikkelen</li> <li>Concurrentie met omringende EU/niet-EU importlanden</li> <li>Geopolitieke aspecten: strategische voorraden, afhankelijkheid, politieke stabiliteit van exportlanden</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Ruimtegebruik van ketenelementen</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>reconversie-gebruik</li> <li>Vraagontwikkeling, scenario's</li> <li>Infrastructuur &amp; systeemintegratie: corridors, benutten bestaande infra.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Impact van certificering en CO2 allocatie: emissiefactoren, LCA ketenanalyse, etc.</li> <li>Financiering en stimulering (EU &amp; NL): IPCEI, PCI, TEN-E, JTF, EIB, Horizon Europe, MOOI, DEI, MIEK, SDE++, etc</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>waterstofbeurs</li> <li>Internationale handelsstromen: verwachte vraag- en aanbodvolumes en transportstromen</li> <li>Importtarieven, trade agreements en handelsbeperkingen, WTO, etc.</li> </ul>		<ul> <li>Veiligheid: brandbaarheid, zorgwekkende stoffen, risicocontouren, etc</li> <li>Milieu: stikstof, lekkage</li> <li>Maatschappelijke acceptatie</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Technology assessments, R&amp;D</li> </ul>				<ul> <li>MVO / samenhang met SDG's in exportlanden</li> </ul>	
Synthese					

### 'HUISREGELS'

- Telefoon op 'stil'; laptop gesloten
- Vragen? Steek je hand op!
- > De moderator zorgt ervoor dat je vraag beantwoord wordt (eventueel achteraf).
- Slides worden na de sessie gedeeld en zijn beschikbaar op onze website:

SHIPNL: Sustainable Hydrogen Import Program Netherlands | Nationaal Waterstof Programma

- We bespreken uiteraard geen marktgevoelige zaken.
- Chatham house rules: De besproken informatie mag gedeeld worden, maar zonder de spreker te onthullen.



### **ACTUALITEITEN | TOUR DE TABLE**





### **MEDEDELING: SAMEN OPTREKKEN IN SHIP VERBAND**

### EU-Handelsprogramma: vergroot uw exportkennis en internationale netwerk

- Laagdrempelige mogelijkheid om andere kansrijke afzetmarkten te ontwikkelen dan VK
- Voordelen:
  - ) Uitbreiding van uw internationale netwerk binnen en buiten Europa.
  - ) Unieke kans om minder afhankelijk te worden van het VK.
  - ) Op kosten van het programma gebruikmaken van alle diensten en activiteiten.
  - ) Toegang tot een exclusief trainingsaanbod om uw exportkennis te vergroten.
  - ) Inclusief toegang tot internationale vakbeurzen en handelsmissies.
- Voorbeelden activiteiten
  - ) Marktbezoeken en ketenontwikkeling
  - ) Onderzoek haalbaarheid business case
- Vereisten, o.a. :
  - ) Als ondernemer geraakt zijn door Brexit (b.v. documentatie, vertragingen, etc.)
  - ) Minimaal 5 partners
- Deadline aangeven interesse: **31 maart a.s**.; Het plan kan later worden uitgewerkt
- Interesse: <u>Rene.Peters@tno.nl</u> of neem contact op met RVO
- Meer informatie + aanmeldformulier: EU-Handelsprogramma: vergroot uw exportkennis en internationale netwerk (rvo.nl)



### **DEEP DIVE: MARKET & SUBSIDY MECHANISMS**

Paul Vonk | Tata Steel



### TATA STEEL

## **SHIP.NL Kennissessie**

Market & subsidy mechanisms

15 March 2023

**Together we make the difference** 

### Agenda

Short review of green hydrogen cost fundamentals

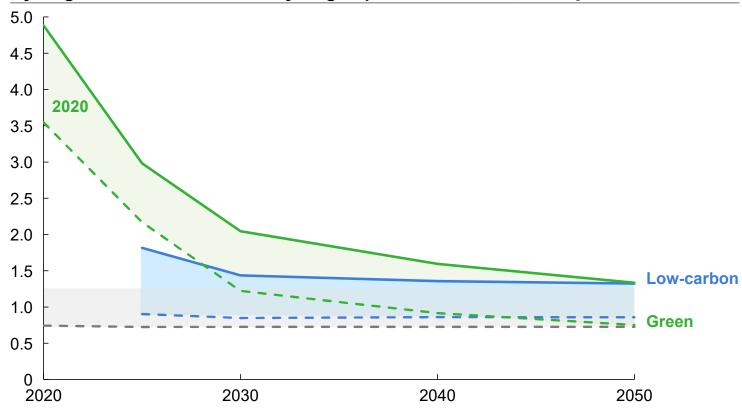
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Hydrogen market support mechanisms

## In 2020/21 green hydrogen costs were expected to drop by 60% to <2 EUR/kg by 2030...

— Average region – – – Optimal region

Hydrogen council outlook on hydrogen production costs, EUR/kg H2, real, 2020



Hydrogen council indicates green hydrogen production costs to drop ~60% to <2 EUR/kg by 2030 (vs. 2020), driven by:

- 60-70% cost reductions on energy consumption (e.g., lower costs of electricity)
- 30-40% CAPEX savings (e.g., increased production scale, improved system design, improved stack design)

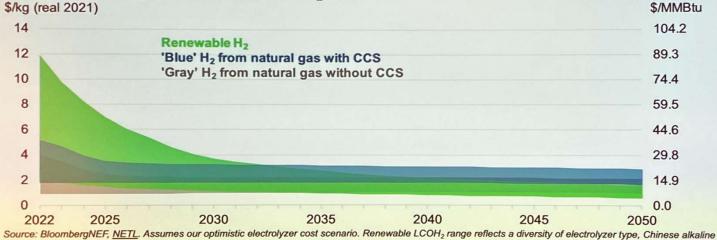
Potential for additional cost optimization by effective optimization of energy sourcing, taking advantage of price volatilities

Source: Hydrogen Council

## ...Now the long term outlook remains similar but near term costs have increased materially

## As a result, green H<sub>2</sub> costs should keep falling

#### Global range of green and blue LCOH<sub>2</sub> in 25 countries



Source: BloombergNEF, <u>NETL</u>. Assumes our optimistic electrolyzer cost scenario. Renewable LCOH<sub>2</sub> range reflects a diversity of electrolyzer type, Chinese alkaline (low) to PEM (high). The electrolyzer's electricity is sourced from the cheaper renewable resource. Capital and operational costs for blue hydrogen are sourced from the <u>National Energy Technology Laboratory</u>. Gas prices derived from BloombergNEF's New Energy Outlook (web | terminal) Grid electricity prices assumed at \$75 (real 2021) for all modeled markets.

20 March 15, 2023

BloombergNEF

**No completed** large scale hydrogen **projects** available for verification, however Bloomberg's 15 March 2023 assessment appears a more thorough depiction of the hydrogen industries' cost expectations

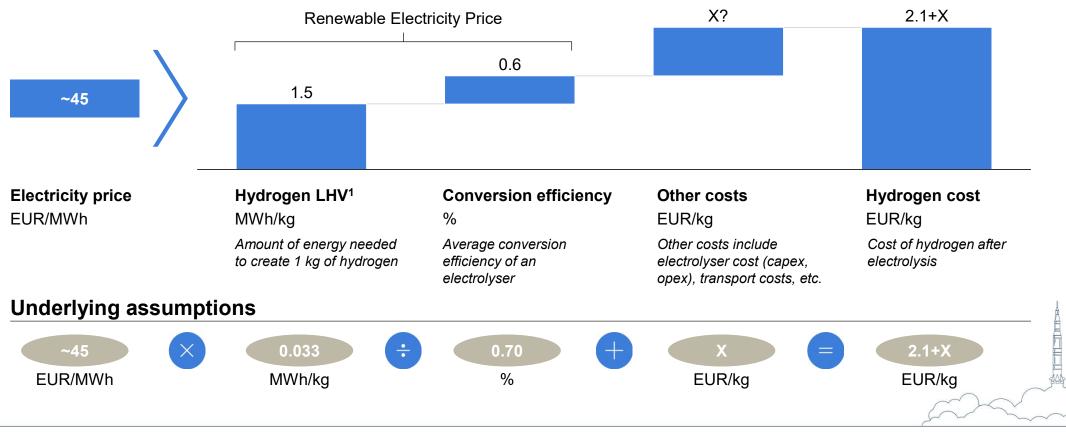
**Multiple cost elements** appear to have been **excluded** in the earlier assessments

3.41 MMBTU converts to 1 MWh

## Example calculation: On a pure cost basis 45 EUR/MWh green electricity costs will translate into a ~2.1 EUR/kg contribution to the cost of H2

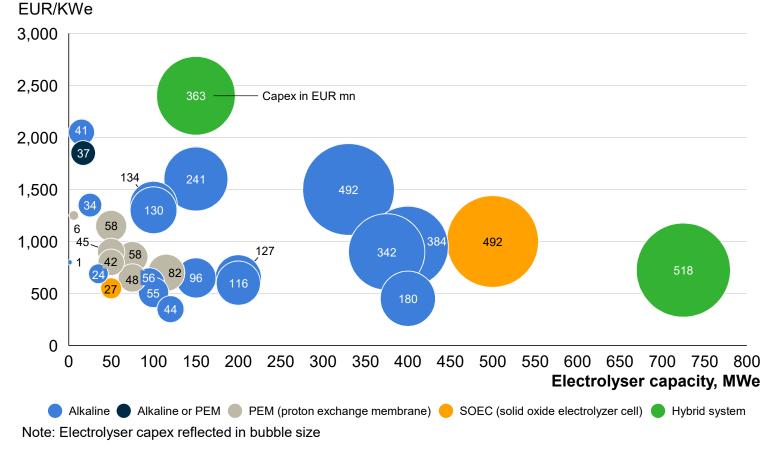
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### **Example calculation of hydrogen production costs,** EUR/kg H<sub>2</sub>



## EU ETS Innovation Fund provided interesting electrolyser Capex snapshot

#### **Electrolyser Capex/capacity**



Many proposals plan capacities beyond 100MW

Most proposals have a Capex between 500-1,500 EUR/KWe

Estimated that **500 EUR/KWe Capex costs** equates to a ~0.5 **EUR/kg** contribution in hydrogen production costs

Source: Hydrogen support auctions under the EU ETS Innovation Fund: Domestic leg of the European Hydrogen Bank, 23.02.2023 1. IEA's Global Hydrogen Review 2021 STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL 13

### Agenda

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Hydrogen market support mechanisms

## Several hydrogen market support mechanisms are currently being developed...

#### Implemented

#### A Inflation Reduction Act

Provides a production or investment tax credit for the production of clean energy or CO2 capture.

A hydrogen Production Tax Credit can be obtained if the production of H2 emits less than 4kg CO2/kg  $H_2$ .

Potential impact: up to  $3/kg H_2$  subsidy for clean H2 and 26/MWh for green electricity (total ~4.25/kg H2)

#### **B** Renewable Fuel Units (HBEs)

Obligation for **fuel suppliers** to deliver a share of renewable energy. Compliance provides companies with tradeable HBE credits.

Required share of renewable energy is 16.4% in 2020 and 27.1% in 2030.

Potential impact if applicable to steel industry: possibility to receive  ${\sim}{\in}3.5/kg$   $H_2$ 

#### D H2Global

The Hydrogen Intermediary Company (H2Global) **purchases green H2** from H2 consortia, which is **auctioned to German off-takers** with the highest willingness to pay and **difference with purchase price** is paid by the government.

Potential impact: Affordable hydrogen for EU-based companies

#### Not yet implemented

#### **C** Contract for Difference

Contract in which **public authorities compensate companies** for the **price difference** between **natural gas** and **renewable hydrogen** 

Companies owe payments to public authorities if renewable hydrogen is cheaper than natural gas

#### Renewable Hydrogen Units (HWEs)

From a 2026 onwards, industrial parties in the Netherlands are required to **purchase a share of renewable hydrogen.** Compliance provides companies with tradeable HWE credits.

Implementation is scheduled for **2026.** Share of required renewable hydrogen is not known yet.

Failure of compliance is expected to be met with fines or other type of penalty

x Deep dive to follow

### **A** Case example: Inflation Reduction Act in the U.S.

#### Inflation Reduction Act Section 45V

#### Description



Section 45V is a **four-tiered Production Tax Credit** (PTC) for hydrogen producers, which can reach up to  $3/kg H_2$ 

The amount of PTC producers receive is based on the amount of lifecycle  $CO_2$ -emissions which they emit in their  $H_2$  production:

Kg CO <sub>2</sub> per kg H <sub>2</sub>	Base credit <sup>1</sup>	Bonus credit (x5) <sup>1</sup>
2.5 – 4	\$0.15	\$0.60
1.5 – 2.5	\$0.25	\$0.75
0.45 -1.5	\$0.20	\$1.00
0 – 0.45	\$0.60	\$3.00

The PTC consist of a base credit, up to **\$0.60/kg H<sub>2</sub>**, and a **bonus multiplier of x5** 

#### Requirements Base credit

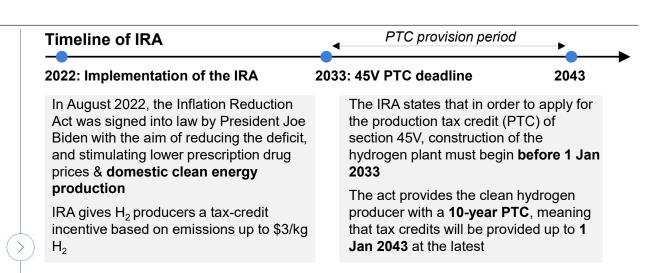


eligible parties Construction of H2 facility must start before 2033

> Parties which obtain PTC from 45V are **not eligible** for hydrogen PTC/ITC from other sections

#### **Bonus credit**

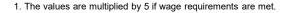
Construction of hydrogen site must **comply** with **wage and apprenticeship requirements** defined by IRA



### The implementation of IRA is expected to steer USA $H_2$ production towards green $H_2$ :

Green hydrogen producers will be **able to stack** the  $3/kg H_2 PTC$  with the **section 45Y PTC** from **renewable electricity generation** (26/MWh; ~ $1.25/kg H_2$ )

**Blue hydrogen producers** are **not able to stack** the PTC from section 45V with PTC of section 45Q on CCU/S, and IRA introduces emission fees per ton of methane from \$900/ton to \$1500/ton, potentially increasing natural gas prices



### **B** Case example: Renewable Fuel Units (HBE) system in the Netherlands

#### Hernieuwbare brandstofeenheden<sup>1</sup> (HBEs)

#### Description



Fuel suppliers, delivering to the transport sector are obliged to deliver an annually increasing share of renewable energy:
16.4% in 2020

- 16.4% in 2020
  27.1% in 2030
- Annual compliance by companies is met by

redeeming HBE renewable energy units HBEs are certificates which are created when fuel suppliers physically deliver renewable energy in transport

HBEs can be traded between companies – when a company exceeds its target, it can trade HBEs with suppliers that are not reaching their targets, with current HBE value at ~12 EUR per HBE

Transactions take place **between market parties themselves (OTC) or via intermediaries** 

Implications on obligated parties

Obligation applies to **gasoline and diesel** with all **physical biofuel** having to be **sold with an attached HBE certificate** (for all transport segments excl. maritime and aviation)

#### Timeline of HBE system

### 2015: HBE introduction to transport sector

The Netherlands introduced the HBE certificate system to **stimulate use of renewable sources in transport**. Fuel suppliers (e.g. petrol station, logistics companies) are required to have an increasing renewable share of their fuel supply.

For each GJ of renewable energy registered, companies get 1 HBE

#### 2022: HBE expansion to refineries

Dutch ministries (EZK, I&W) agreed to **temporary expansion** of the HBE system to **refineries** to stimulate **using green hydrogen in their fuel production** for the transport sector

Booking in green hydrogen results in an HBE-O certificate with a **multiplier of 2.5**, which implies a value of **~3.5 EUR/kg H2** (based on an average value of 12 EUR per HBE)<sup>2</sup>

As new Dutch regulations will be introduced in 2024, the '**refinery route**' is open **only in 2023** (up to market maximum of 2 PJ/16 kt<sup>3</sup>) and **2024** (up to market maximum of 4 PJ/32 kt<sup>3</sup>)

### After HBE expansion to refineries, many hydrogen projects have been announced recently in NL



Feb 2022 - BP and HyCC announced H2-Fifty project to build 250MW electrolyser in Rotterdam

Jul 2022 - Shell announced Holland Hydrogen I project to build 200MW electrolyser in Rotterdam

1. Renewable fuel units | 2. Booking in 1 kg H2 provides 0.3 HBE-O which is 120 MJ with a multiplier of 2.5 | 3. Maximum based on current hydrogen production capacity in the Netherlands

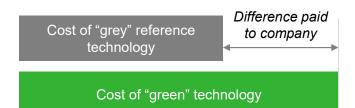
### © Case example:



### What is a Contract for Difference?

Contract with **public authorities** that secures investment in climate-friendly production processes by **covering the additional costs** and **securing competitiveness** 

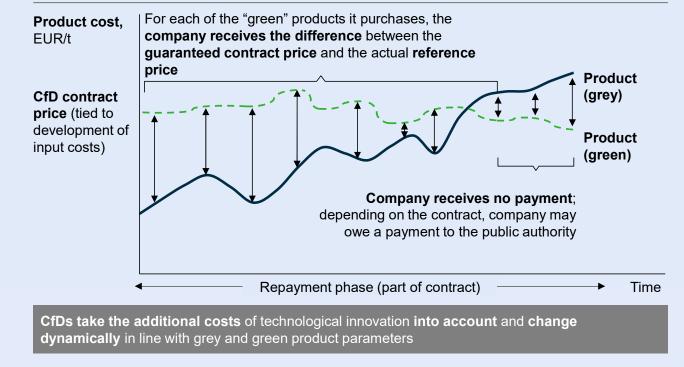
A Contract for Difference compensates companies for the difference between the **price** of a "green" product and the **reference price** of a "grey" product



### **Contracts for Difference (CfDs)**

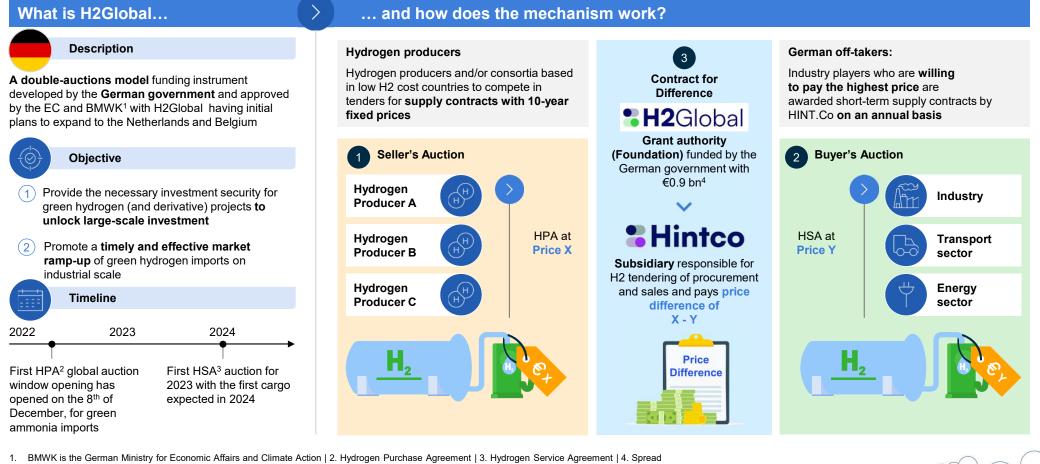


#### How does a Contract for Difference work over time?



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### D Case example: German H2Global – to unlock large-scale investment for H2 imports



BMWK is the German Ministry for Economic Affairs and Climate Action | 2. Hydrogen Purchase Agreement | 3. Hydrogen Service Agreement | 4. Spread over 2024-2033. HINT.Co states that they envisage one HPA for each H2-based product (ammonia, methanol and e-kerosine) with total contract values of 300 million euros, with an annual contract values of 34 million euros in 2026 (after a ramp up in 2024 and 2025).

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### **DEEP DIVE: USA LOW CARBON & GREEN AMMONIA**

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### **USA Low Carbon & Green Ammonia**

...or...the need for the EU to swiftly level the playing field

ShipNL, March 15, 2023 Sjoerd Jenneskens

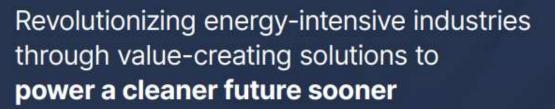
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- **05** Implementation of the IRA in our projects
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- 07 Discussion

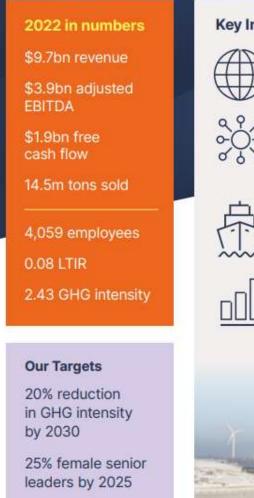


#### At a Glance



We're a game-changing global leader in nitrogen, methanol, and hydrogen, driving forward the decarbonization of food, fuel, and feedstock through cleaner products and practical, real-world solutions, accelerating the world's transition to a more sustainable future.







#### **Key Investment Highlights**



Global producer and distributor of nitrogen, methanol, and hydrogen products



Versatile products with many applications play a key role in supporting food security, clean feedstocks, and powering a cleaner future

Unique global footprint provides structural advantage supported by strong distribution and trading platform

Value accretive growth opportunities, robust capital structure, strong free cash flow



### A crucial role for ammonia as versatile hydrogen carrier

The ammonia route from the US to Europe

OCI Terminal Europoort (OTE) is a key asset of OCI's global portfolio:

- EU domestic fertilizer production at OCI Nitrogen Geleen to ensure security of supply
- Direct use of blue and green ammonia as bunkering fuel to lower shipping emissions
- Ammonia as energy vector to decarbonize EU energy system through H2 backbone

### **OCI Terminal Europoort**

#### **OCI Nitrogen @ Chemelot**

Global

Versatile use applications for low-carbon ammonia in Europe: oor nitrogen @ onemeto

OCI Texas, US

Direct access from OCI's ammonia production facilities in Beaumont to international shipping routes

### **Reflection on the Inflation Reduction Act**

Simple and significant

- The IRA has already supported the acceleration of our US decarbonization projects
- The Act will have a **far-reaching global** impact. A shortterm consequence is that some energy transition projects in other parts of the world have seen delays as investment is diverted to the US
- The US uses **incentives** to transform their industrial base into a sustainable and circular system, while the EU sticks to the **stick and carrot approach**
- The sheer volume of investments needed is so vast, **public funding will be essential** to complement private investments
- The US IRA is a wake-up call for Europe. There is one important lesson to be learned from the American approach – financial support should be made available in a straightforward way

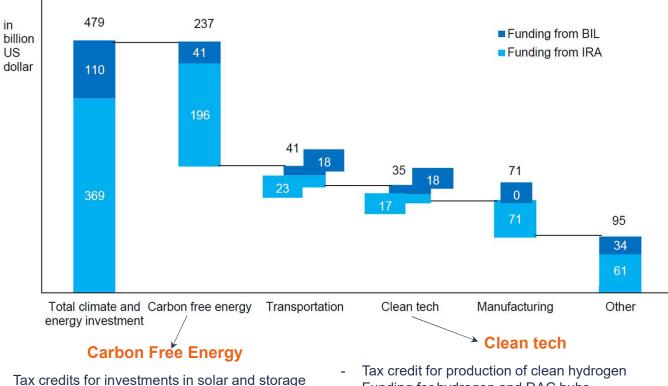
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#### What the industry needs is:

- clear and more consistent regulation that benefits both the supply and demand site
- 2. Regulation that rewards progress towards reducing emissions today, as well as planning for zero emissions in the future
- 3. Less complex and less costly funding schemes to allow the industry to do what it does best, innovate, not administrate

### Implications of the IRA

The Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) and Inflation Reduction Act (IRA) include **479 billion US** dollar in new climate and energy spending



- Tax credits for producing wind and nuclear energy
- Tax credits for transmission of clean
- Funding for energy efficiency

Sources: EPA, CBO, BCG analysis

- Funding for hydrogen and DAC hubs
- Carbon capture tax credit for point source capture
- Carbon capture tax credit for direct air capture (DAC)
- Funding for sustainable aviation fuels (SAF)

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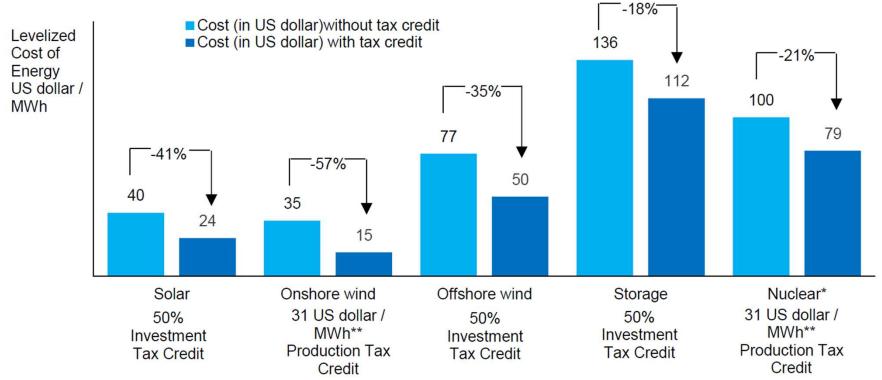
#### Implications

- 1. Estimates put the volume of cumulative investments in climatefriendly technologies triggered by the IRA in the next ten years at 3.5 trillion US dollars
- 2. These budgets are **estimates** and only serve as a **guideline**. The actual funding levels may end up being higher or lower and are **not capped**
- 3. Taxpayers can choose between the **Production Tax Credit (PTC)** as an OPEX-based support tool or the **Investment Tax Credit (ITC)**
- 4. Carbon Free Energy Tax credits can also be <u>combined</u> with Clean Tech Energy.

### IRA will holistically subsidize Carbon Free Energy

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Full tax credits can significantly reduce costs of generating renewable energy



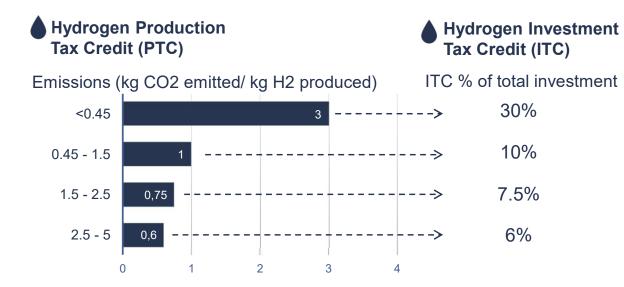
\*New small-modular reactor

\*\* Assumes 15 US dollar / MWh incentive, inflation adjusted and with bonuses; Note: all technologies assume base + prevailing wage bonus + domestic production bonus + energy community bonus.

Sources: Lazard, BCG analysis

### IRA will significantly subsidize green & low carbon hydrogen

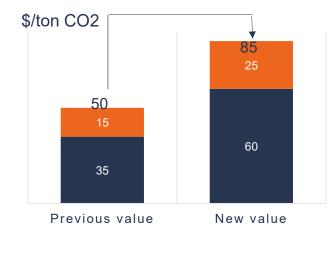
Up to 3\$ per kg production tax credit for green hydrogen



Production tax credit (\$/kg H2 produced)

Hydrogen can receive significant incentives, with exact value depending on the associated emissions; additional \$8B to build regional H2 hubs

### Carbon capture, utilization, and storage (CCUS)



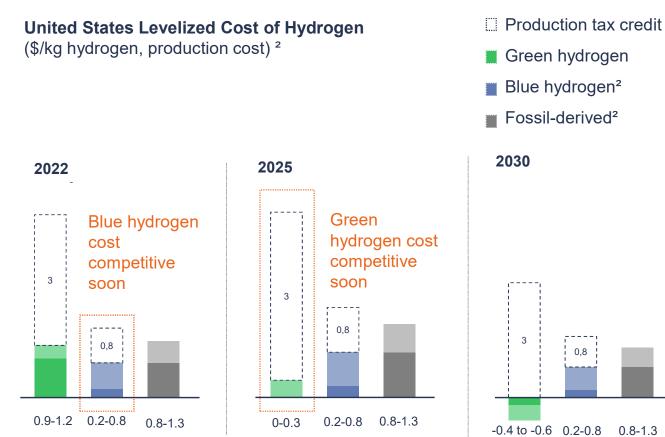
Sequestration Utilization

Expansion of existing 45Q credit to \$85/ton for permanent geological sequestration of CO2, or \$60/ton for utilization of CO2 (incl. enhanced oil recovery)

Sources: BCG analysis, BDI

### Hydrogen cost price analysis

BCG View: Stacking IRA Credits leads to negative green H2 prices post 2030



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- Recent studies and market indications have put the current cost of hydrogen from green power in North Europe within a rough range of 6-8\$kg.
- Aurora calculated in a case study that output of clean hydrogen in Germany will cost between 3.9 and 5 euros (\$4.23-5.43) per kilogram by 2030.
- BCG calculated that in the US green hydrogen currently costs slightly over 4\$ per kg.
- The US **already** has a significant advantage due the abundance of renewables.
- According to BCG (August 2022) negative H2 production costs – Post IRA could be real as of 2030

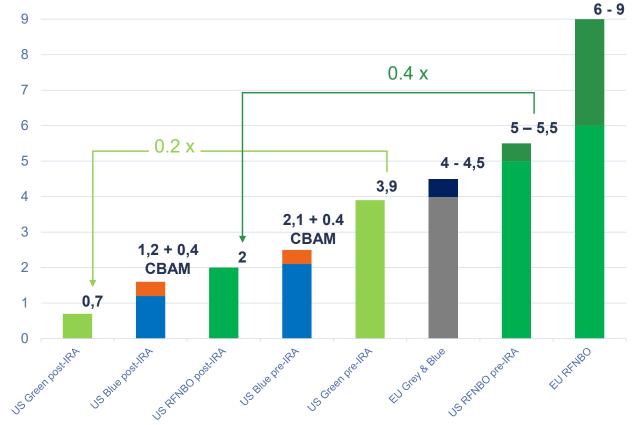
Source: BCG North America H2 Supply Model

Lighter shade reflects range of cost uncertainty<sup>2</sup>

### Green & Low Carbon Ammonia: US-Imports vs EU-Production



**Delivered Levelized Cost of Low-Carbon Ammonia (LCOA) in EU** 2030 Delivered LCOA (\$/kg H2 eq.) in EU



Source: BCG Hydrogen Supply Model, OCI internal Analysis

#### EU Grey & Blue 2030

At €50 / MWh TTF, EUAs at €150 / ton, and reduced free allowances, then blue and grey are cost comparative

#### **Blue hydrogen US**

ATR with high Carbon capture rate on fossil derived hydrogen

#### Green hydrogen

Low carbon Hydrogen produced according to IRA requirements

#### **RFNBO Hydrogen**

Hydrogen produced according to RED-II Delegated Acts.

### The IRA incentives create a

paradigm shift in the comparative advantage of low carbon and green Ammonia, which pushes the EU off the clean cost curve

### IRA attracts investments and accelerates the transition Beaumont Blue - 2025

- Beaumont Blue will be the **largest Blue Ammonia** production site in Texas producing up to 1.1mpta Blue Ammonia per year
- Up to 1,7 million metric tons of CO2 per year captured
- Linde will build and operate an on-site complex (ATR) that will supply clean hydrogen and nitrogen
- The IRA has accelerated this project, hereby attracting an investment from OCI close to a billion US dollars (excluding Linde's investment)
- The site creates 60-80 new full-time jobs, as well as around 1,000 construction jobs at the peak of site construction for the OCI scope
- The Beaumont facility will allow OCI to build and strengthen the world-leading blue ammonia platform, supplying both the U.S. and export market with blue ammonia
- Blue ammonia is an ideal solution to decarbonize hard-to-abate sectors such as agriculture, power, and marine fuels at a competitive cost
- This project has been designed to **transition from blue to green ammonia** production in the future as green hydrogen becomes available at larger scale.



## Level playing field paramount for Europe's energy future

Europe needs to act now

The EU must substantially boost its competitiveness on the path to ecological sustainability through rapid regulatory decision-making, lean planning and approval procedures, and administratively simple funding measures for a broad spectrum of industries and technologies within a flexible framework of subsidies. Like the United Sates, the EU should adopt a pragmatic course and introduce tax credits.

#### **Recommendations from BDI:**

- **Funding:** Less complex processes, significant funding and faster access to subsidies are required
- **Regulations:** Clear regulation, set out for the long term, will help investment decision making
- **Goals:** Ambitions goals need realistic plans. Brownfield conversions and low-carbon/renewable hydrogen are required to kickstart the hydrogen economy



### RFNBO use Mandates (e.g. 42% in 2030) to include Low Carbon

Open letter of the EU industry calling for a consideration of low carbon hydrogen in the calculation of RFNBOs targets

March 10<sup>th</sup>, 2023:

EU Industry calls on EU to exclude low carbon hydrogen consumed in industry and transport from the denominator used to calculate the binding volume objective of RFNBOs.

#### This formula:

- takes into account the contribution of lowcarbon hydrogen towards EU decarbonization
- Maintains a binding target for RFNBOs;
- And increases the binding decarbonization effort (sum of RFNBOs and LCH) in Member States which would develop the production and uses of lowcarbon hydrogen.

RFNBO volumes consumed in the industry $= X \%$ (H <sub>2</sub> volumes consumed indus.) – (low-carbon H <sub>2</sub> volumes consumed indus)				
Low-carbon hydrogen consumed in industry (Kt)	Binding RFNBO target [with details of the calculation] (Kt)	Total consumption of decarbonized hydrogen in industry (RFNBO + LCH) (Kt)		
0	<b>500</b> [1000/2]	500		
100	<b>450</b> [(1000-100)/2]	550		
200	<b>400</b> [(1000-200)/2}	600		
300	<b>350</b> [(1000-300]/2]	650		
400	<b>300</b> [(1000-400)/2	700		
500	<b>250</b> [(1000-300)/2]	750		

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### **DEEP DIVE: ELECTROLYSER SCALE-UP**

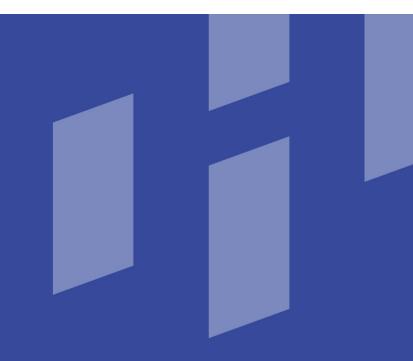
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## Deep dive: Electrolyser scale-up

SHIP>NL session March 2023

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## **Enabling emission-free industries**

#### **Our Vision & Mission**

To enable the full **decarbonization of industry** and the transition to a truly circular economy, by supplying safe, reliable and affordable **green hydrogen** supplies and circular **chemistry solutions** 

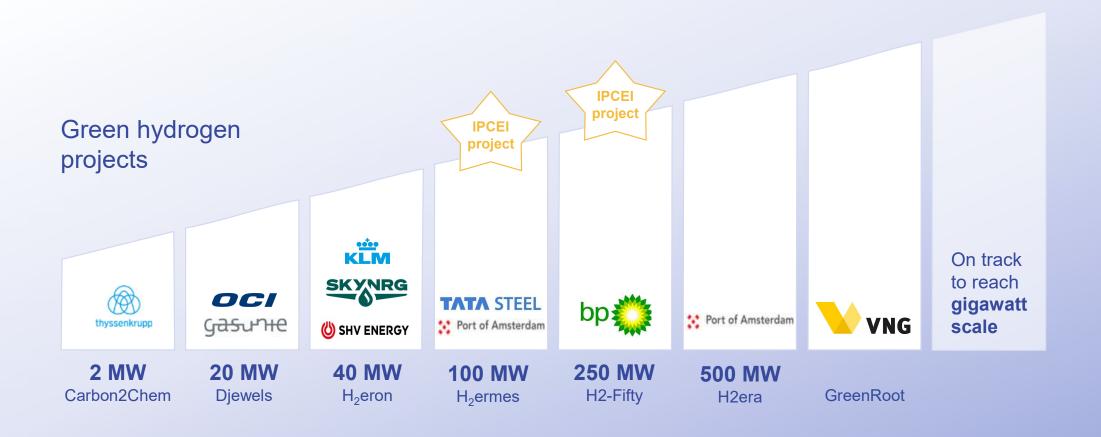
#### Joining forces to create a new leader in green hydrogen



chemistry solutions with over 1 gigawatt under development.

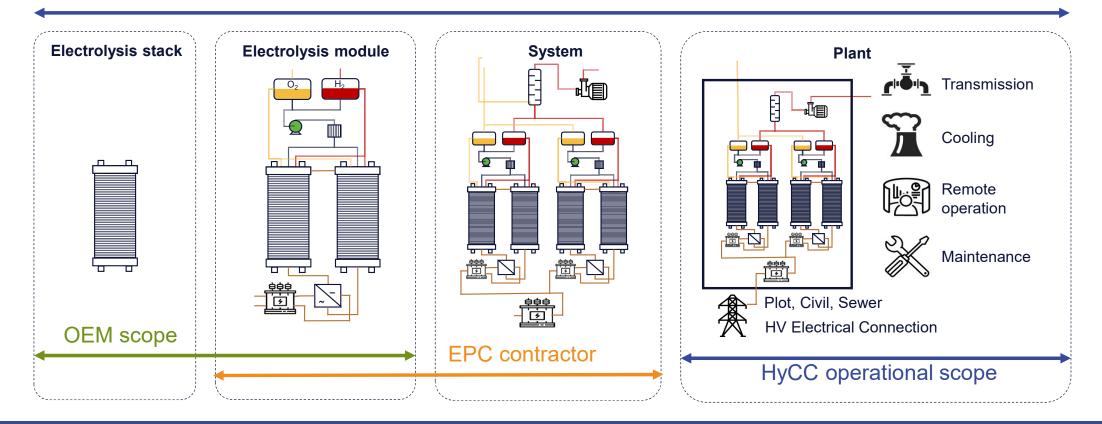
# Strong pipeline built on robust customer engagement





#### HyCC understands the entire plant design

HyCC project scope: operational experience incorporated throughout



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#### **Key electrolysis technologies**



	Alkaline	PEM	Solid oxide	AEM
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Stack size (MW)	1 – 6	0.5 – 2.5	~0.01	0.0025
Largest operating plant (MW)	150 Ningxia (China)	20 Bécancour (Canada)	0.72 Salzgitter (Germany)	0.02 Rozenburg (Netherlands)
Number of key suppliers	9	4	2	1
Key strengths	Cheap materials and proven	Compact and flexible	Efficient	Combines strengths of alkaline and PEM
"Ready" for large-scale			Need for more development	



## Building hydrogen plants: how difficult can it be?

165 MW alkaline electrolysis Glomfjord, Norway, closed in 1991

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## Limited innovation in the past 90 years...





### Today







## 21<sup>st</sup> century challenges

- Safety
- Flexibility
- Reliability and durability
- Cost
- Infrastructure

#### Safety

- Increased 21<sup>st</sup> century safety standards make that we cannot just rebuild the plants as we did in the 20<sup>th</sup> century
- We need to take into account risks related to simultaneous formation of hydrogen and oxygen
- We are working with suppliers and our peers to develop proper safety practices for water electrolysis: we do not compete on safety!

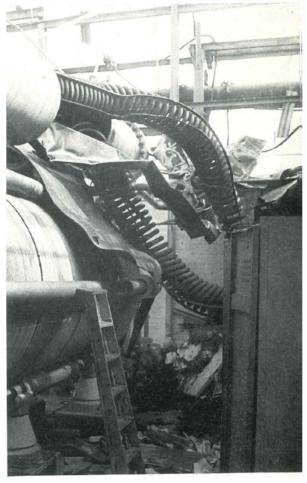


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#### **Flexible operation**



- 20<sup>th</sup> century plants were based on constant hydropower, new electrolyzers need to be able to follow wind and sun profiles
- Ramp speed not a problem: <10%/min required</li>
- Challenge is allowable minimum load and number of regular shutdowns (250 per year).
- Challenge is that H2-off take processes are baseload. Thus storage is required.



#### **Reliability & durability**



- Key question: what is the lifetime of the electrolyzers and how much maintenance do they need?
- Limited operational experience in Europe, outside the chlor-alkali industry: 9 MW (1940 Nm<sup>3</sup>/h) plant of Nouryon in Norway is still the largest operational plant in Europe (already for 30 years)
- Novel technologies (stack designs, electrodes, membranes) need to be tested at industrial scale and operating conditions before implemented on large scale One of the four electrolyzers at the Testing facility Hydrohub MW test

Nouryon plant in Rjukan, Norway



Testing facility Hydrohub MW test center, Groningen, Netherlands



#### A non-technical challenge: unrealistic price expectations

- CAPEX values in public reports are ۲ often underestimated, since total project costs are not properly considered
- As a result, the current expectations ulletfor green hydrogen prices in public reports are too optimistic.

## Directs Costs 800 Euro/kW 9 %

Capex cost breakdown Alkaline technology

Total Installed Costs 1400 Euro/kW

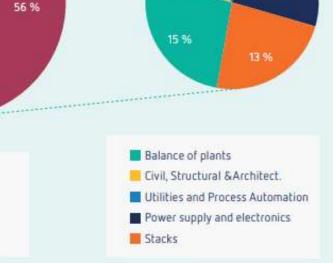
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Indirect costs Owners costs

Contingency Direct Costs

6 %

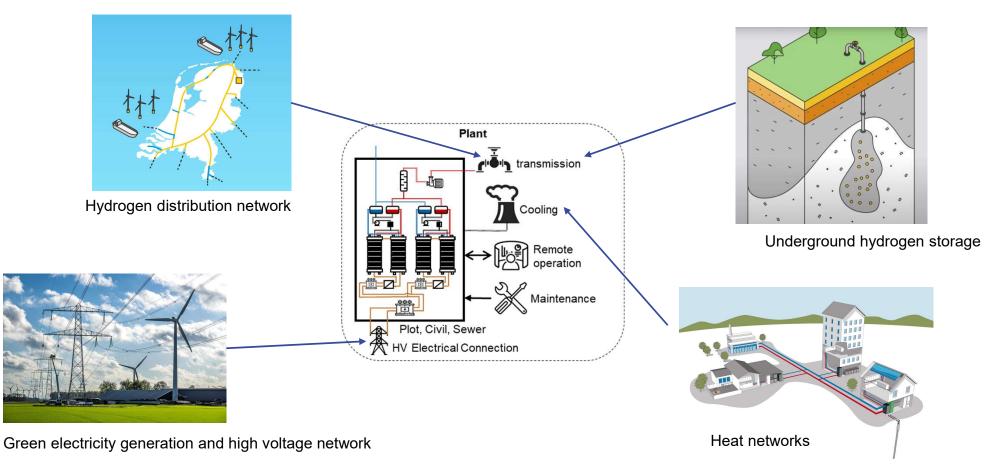




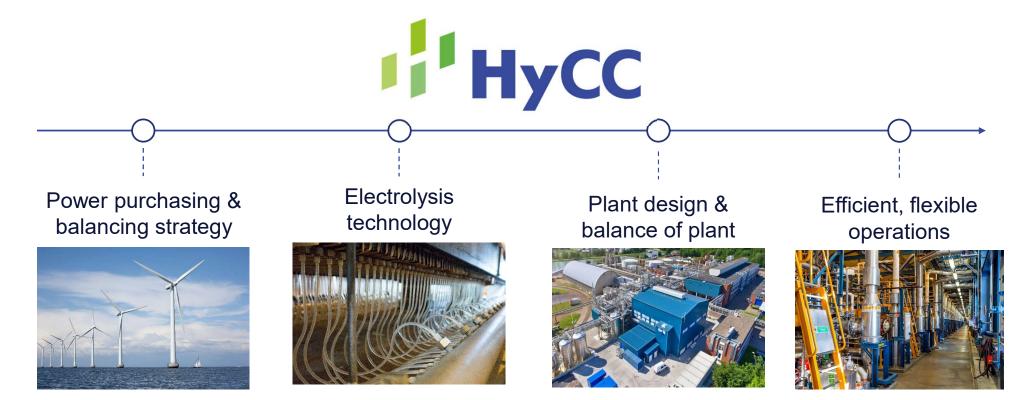
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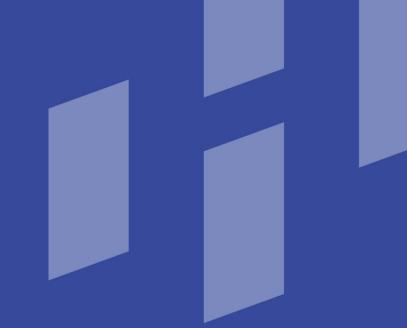
#### Infrastructure around hydrogen





We have experience across the green H2 value chain enabling safe, reliable and competitive hydrogen supply





# Thank you



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#### DEEP DIVE: ELECTROLYSERS: OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE HIGH-TECH MANUFACTURING INDUSTRY Roald Suurs | TNO





Accelerating industrial electrification

## Electrolysers: Opportunities for the high-tech manufacturing industry Exploring the case for PEM electrolysers

**Roald Suurs** 

#### **Presentation SHIP>NL, The Hague 15 march 2023**

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#### Intro

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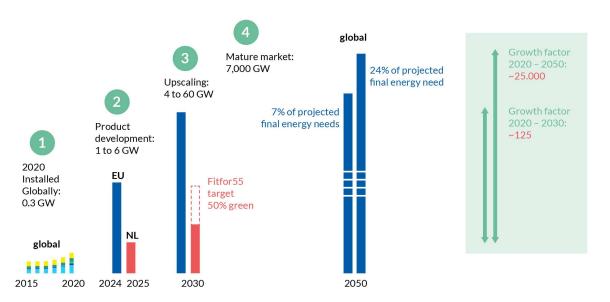






#### Challenge

- Ambitious policy targets and funding plans create business opportunities, but also put enormous pressure on industries involved.
- To meet the energy transition challenge, mass manufacturing of electrolysers has to start now
- ... while simultaneously improving their design from its basic materials, to components, to system architecture.



Projected market development for electrolysis capacity. Source: IEA (2021), Global installed electrolysis capacity by region , 2015-2020 (<u>link</u>), Bloomberg, Hydrogen Economy Outlook – Key messages, March 2020 (<u>link</u>), adapted by TNO.



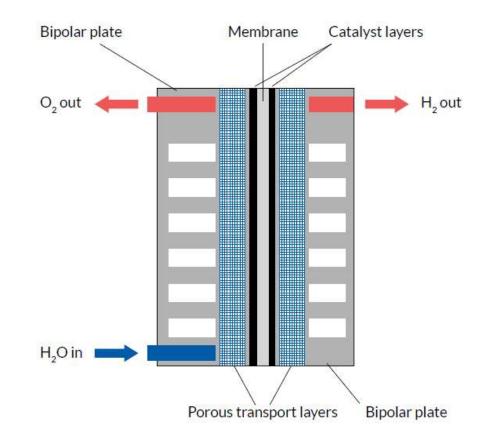
#### **Objective**

- Explore how the challenge of rapid upscaling and improving electrolysers can be met by using high-tech manufacturing technologies as currently applied for production of thin-film electronics.
- Key questions:
  - What are the solutions and how do they improve electrolyser design?
  - When will these become available?
  - What is needed to improve the chances of upscaling?
- Most importantly, our aim is to start informed and structured conversations!



### The case of PEM

- The scope here is the case of so-called Proton Exchange Membrane (PEM) water electrolysers.
- The PEM electrolyser cell comprises multiple components that are very thin layers for which the functionality highly depends on their interfaces.
- This architecture lends itself well to high-tech manufacturing solutions. Discussed principles are equally applicable to the alternative technologies.

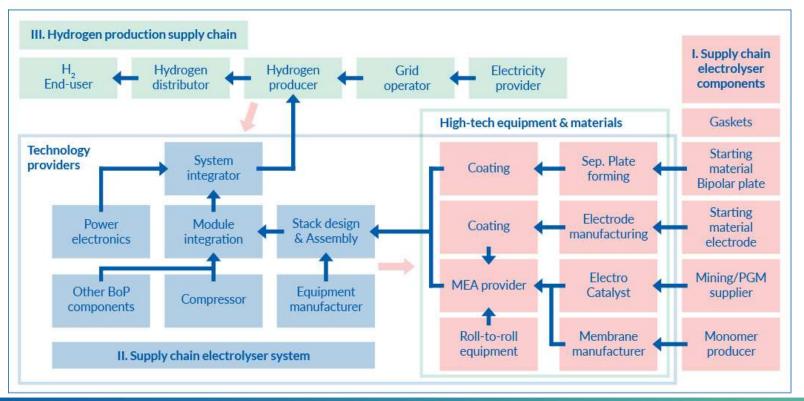


Schematic representation of a PEM electrolyser cell. Source: NREL, 2019.



# Position of companies in the manufacturing supply chain poses a challenge for radical innovation.

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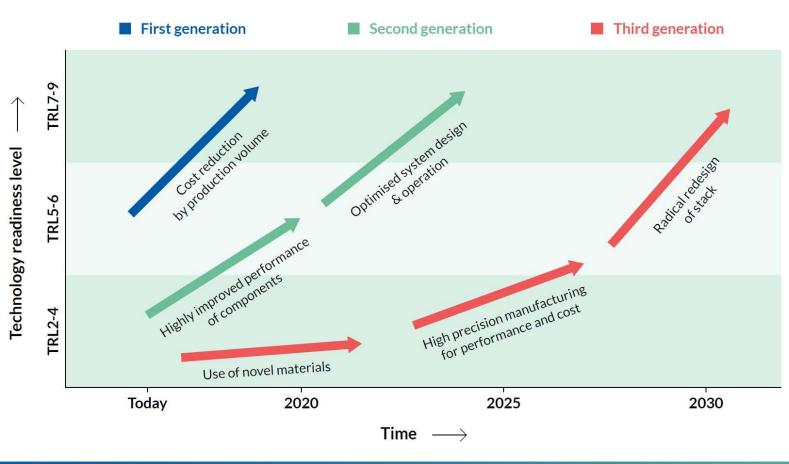


### **Key Technological Challenges of PEM Electrolysers**

- Firstly, **expensive and stable materials are required**, due to the highly corrosive environment within the system.
- Secondly, there is a **need to facilitate efficient contact between the different layers within the electrolyser cell**, requiring delicate optimisation of the threedimensional structure within those layers.
- Thirdly, transport losses within the electrolyser must be reduced to increase the efficiency of the overall electrolysis process.
- Finally, the **catalyst should have a much higher surface area** than the geometrical area of the membrane.



#### **Opportunities for the High-Tech Manufacturing Industry**

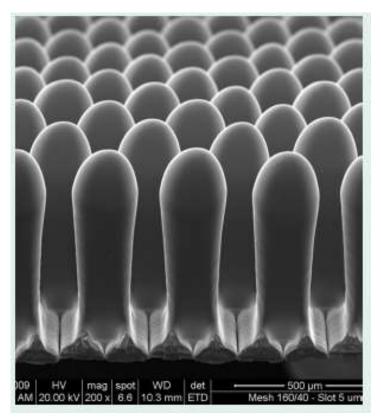


Three generations of PEM electrolysers are expected to mature in the next decade. Note that while presented here as three distinct forms of innovation, the lines between the generations are not clearly defined and intermediate steps exist. Note also that although we show an indicative timeline on our roadmap image, it doesn't necessarily mean that the second generation will develop faster than the third generation. This depends on strategy, the effort and focus put into research and development Source: TNO.



### **First generation**

- It is likely that the first few GWs of electrolyser capacity up to 2027 will be produced by scaling up of current technology using existing materials and components.
- For a large part this is already happening and high-tech solutions will have a fairly limited impact on these developments.
- Yet, there are opportunities for companies that can already provide 'drop-in' solutions in the coming years.



3D structure of Nickel electrode produced through electroforming. Source: Ahmad Harbiye - Veco BV.



### **Second generation**

- For example, it is possible to optimise the performance of the PTL-layer by applying dedicated (3D) microstructures using lithographic and additive printing.
- Also, the composition of catalyst coatings can be changed to improve adhesion to the membrane, minimise PTL corrosion or reduce iridium loadings.
- For BPP's it is possible to replace solid titanium components with steel components coated with micron layers of titanium, thereby reducing costs.

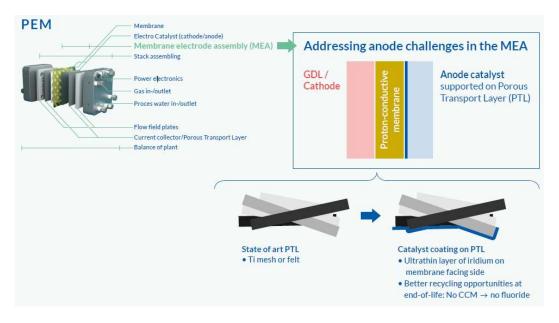


A spatial ALD tool equipped with glove box to deposit high quality SnO<sub>2</sub>films. Source: Peter Visser - SALD



## **Third generation**

- The third-generation PEM technology involves radical innovations that alter the system architecture.
- The focus is on integrating all components and optimising performance of the system as a whole.
- For example, instead of putting the catalyst on the membrane, it could be deposited on a dedicated PTL structure instead.
- Alternatively all three materials could potentially be combined into one material.



Solutions for advanced MES designs. Source: TNO.



#### **Key recommendations**

- 1. The EU and its member states should **set progressive market targets to stimulate development of secondgeneration and third-generation production capacity**; for instance: 100MW in 2028 – 500MW in 2030.
- 2. They should initiate an EU wide dedicate **next-generation electrolyser program** that is dedicated to the accelerated development, implementation and scale up of second- and third-generation EU manufactured technologies.
- 3. Such a program should facilitate an infrastructure for testing and validation of advanced electrolysis technologies on the level of 1-5 MW-systems. It is critical to work towards a shared EU R&D infrastructure for testing and validation by aligning and connecting facilities.
- 4. For all **upcoming publicly funded pilots and demonstration** projects, **data sharing and monitoring of system performance should be a prerequisite** to accelerate learning.
- 5. European **OEMs should take a leading position and work with urgency and serious capacity on scaling-up the second- and third-generation solutions**. It is in their best interest to get a head start in addressing the critical challenges of electrolyser manufacturing with respect to materials scarcity and efficiency.
- 6. Industrial end users should work together with innovative electrolyser OEMs to allow advancement and implementation of more efficient technologies and thereby become more competitive.



### Thank you

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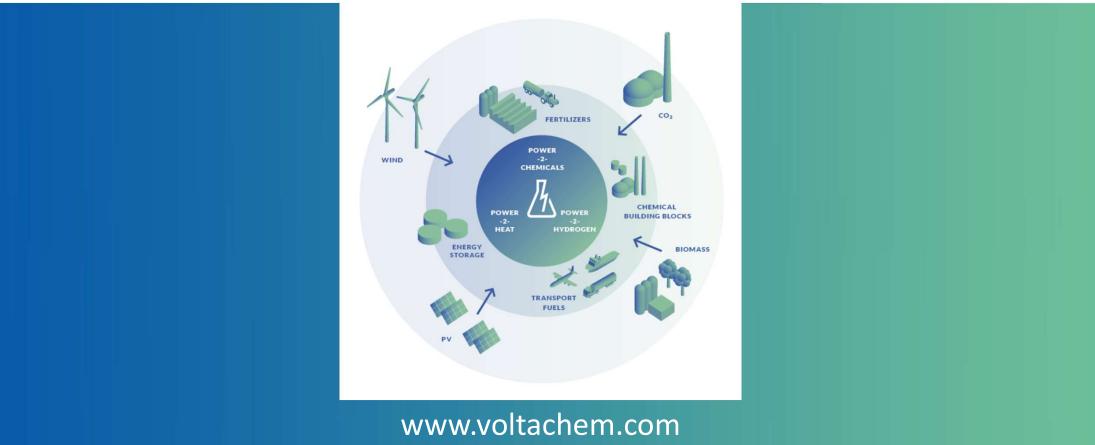
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#### Let's innovate together!





#### **Discussion topics**



- Are large scale electrolyzers safe?! Do we have safety regulations for the operation of large scale electrolyzers? Will this stop / slow down large scale electrolyzer projects?
- Issues will happen during the development of large scale electrolyzer projects. Do developers have enough resources (people, money, data) to deal with this?
- To train operators we need operations data. How do we deal with the lack of having operational data of electrolyzers? How do plant owners look at sharing data with competitors? Do we need regulations for this?
- What should be done, while implementing first generation electrolysers, to prevent lock-in in sub-optimal technologies? E.g. is it feasible to enforce reverse compatibility to make upgrades possible?
- What can end users do to support / share risks in accelerating development and utilisation of the secondand third-generation electrolysers developed to be more efficient and to have an inherently circular design.
- The EU and its member states are well positioned as a technology leader in the field of hydrogen and fuel cells technology, especially for PEM. What can we do to make commercial impact?

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