



Scaling-up Innovations
on Renewable Hydrogen
Production and Use

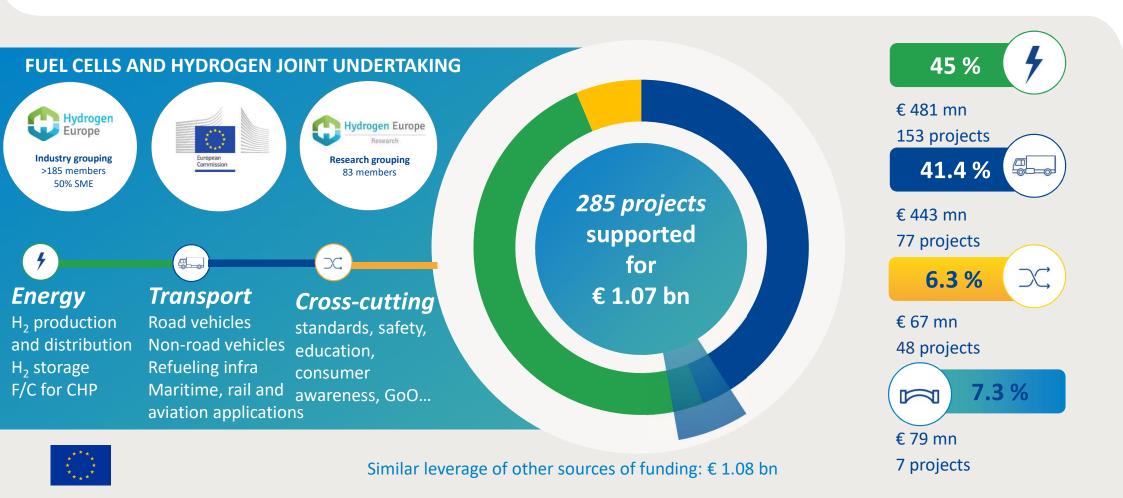
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Strong public-private partnership with a focused objective



A combined private-public of more than 2 billion Euro has been invested since 2008 to bring products to market readiness



Hydrogen production, new generation of low temperature electrolysers



Project: Don Quichot (Colruyt; HRS+forklifts) Place/date: Belgium, 2011 Electrolyser: Hydrogenics (PEM) Funding: €5.0 m



Project: Haeolus (remote P2P) Place/date: Norway, 2017 Electrolyser: Hydrogenics (PEM) Funding: €5.0 m



Project: H2future (Voestalpine, steel industry) Place/date: Austria, 2016 Electrolyser: Siemens (PEM) Funding: €12m (oo €18 m)



Project: Djewels (BioMCN, green methanol production)

Place/date: The Netherlands, 2018 Electrolyser: McPhy (Alkaline) Funding: €11 m (oo €44 m)



NEXT:

~2025: several 100 MW's

~2030: GW scale

0.15 MW

2.5 MW

3.4 MW

6.0 MW

20 MW → 60MW

100 MW

Project: Hybalance Place: Denmark Date: 2014

Electrolyser: Hydrogenics (PEM)

1.2 MW

Funding: €8.0 m



Project: Demo4grid (MPREIS bakery plant, food industry) Place/date: Austria, 2016 Electrolyser: IHT (Alkaline) Funding: €2.9 m (oo €7.8 m)



https://www.demo4grid.eu/

Project: Refhyne (Shell, refinery, gas injection in NG) Place/date: Germany, 2017 Electrolyser: ITM (PEM) Funding: €10 m (oo €16m)

10 MW



(https://refhyne.eu/)

The European Green Deal call for proposals includes a topic to install a 100MW Electrolyser.

Call closed:

16 proposals received



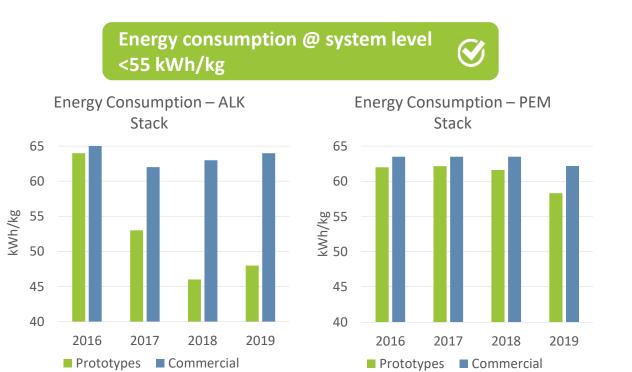
Scaling up challenges: new manufacturing processes to lower cost, increase capacity and lifetime

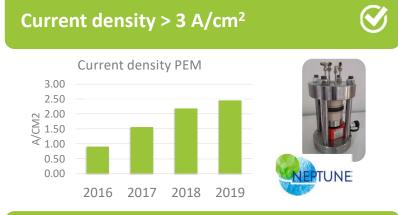




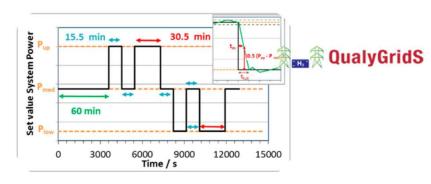
Low Temperature Electrolysis R&I projects

Achievement of 2020 targets safeguards Europe's leading position



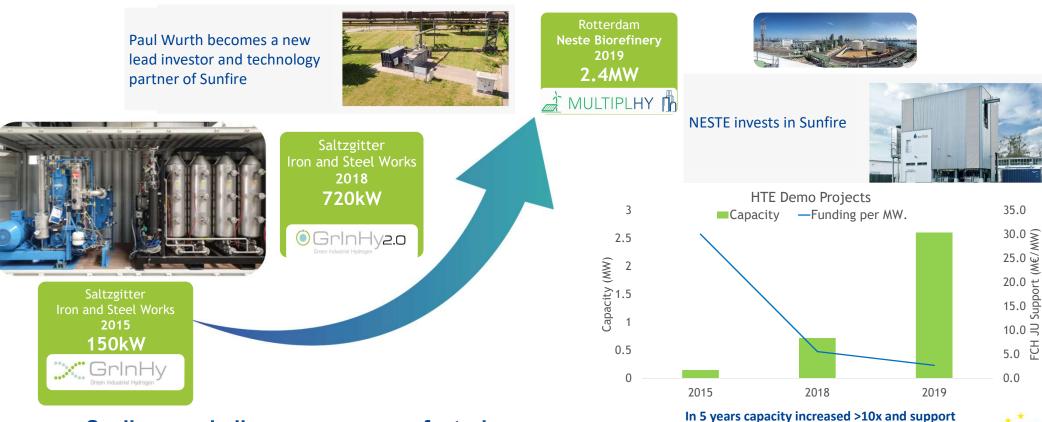






New generation of solid oxide electrolysers (high temperature)

High temperature electrolysers finding their place in the industrial courtyard, facilitating strategic partnerships









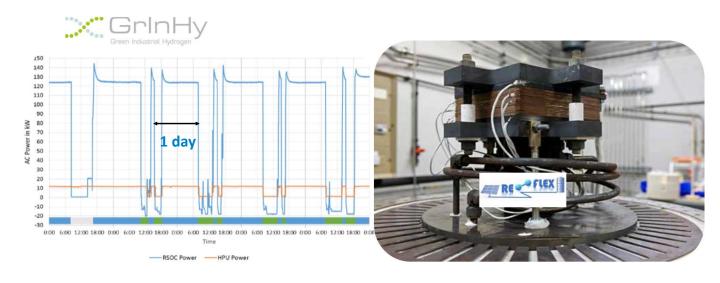
reduced by 5x





High Temperature Electrolysis R&I projects

Higher efficiencies, improved durability, innovative concepts

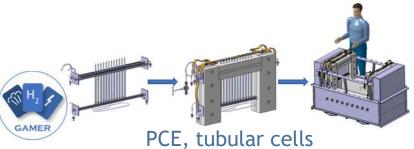


Electricity consumption < 40 kWh/kg

Production loss rate < 1.9%/1000h

Availability >95% Reversible FC efficiency 54%





Current density 1.25A/cm2
Steam conversion rate > 85%





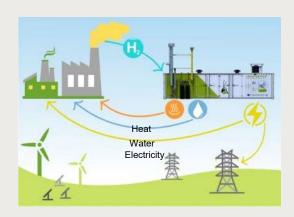
Targets 2024 for the next generation of electrolysers

- CAPEX: 480 €/kW (Alk) 700 €/kW (PEM)
- Efficiency (HHV): 80 % (Alk) 76% (PEM)
- Limiting or eliminating the use of critical raw materials
- Dynamic operation to provide electricity grid balancing services
- Increase operating pressure from 20 bars to 80 bars to inject H2 in natural gas transmission grid without mechanical compression
- Reduce foot print by increasing current density, from 3 to 8 A/cm2 for PEM and from 0.5 to 1 A/cm2 for Alkaline
- Develop novel electrolyser types like Anion Exchange Membrane electrolysers (low temp) or Proton Conducting Ceramic electrolysers (high temp)

MW scale PEM fuel cells: H2 for decarbonisation of industry, grid balancing, district heating, power to power (P2P)









Next step: scaling-up to a MW scale commercial plant

Building on the learning of the 2 MW DEMCOPEM project, new research led to substantial technology improvement applied on GRASSHOPPER.



CLEARgen Demo project: 1 MW fuel cell system for distributed generation, using H2 by-product from a Martinique refinery

European technology tested in several places in the world



Challenges: cost reduction (H2 purification system and fuel cell), reduction of critical raw materials, durability, standardisation in industrial environments.

Hydrogen and circular economy: Solid Oxide fuel cells for cogeneration of heat and power in cities







The DEMOSOFC plant in Torino is the first example in Europe of cogeneration plant with a medium size fuel cell fed by biogas produced in a wastewater treatment plant (102 kWe).

A market analysis showed a large market potential in Europe. In total 6,181 wastewater treatment plants have a capacity of 20,000 to 1,100,000 P.E (Population Equivalent).

Challenges: cost reduction via optimised system designs and increased production volumes, next demonstrations using a European supply chain for a large market potential

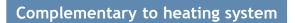


Fuel cell for domestic combined heat and power, micro CHP



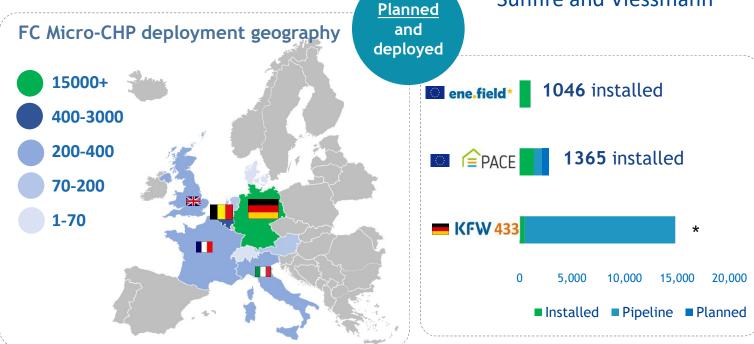
Europe market is in the order of 18,000 systems, 60% increase since 2019

European suppliers: BDR
Thermea, Bosch, SOLIDpower,
Sunfire and Viessmann





Replaces heating system



* Applications field under German KfW since 2016



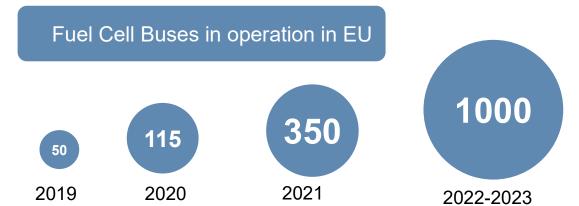
Challenges: increased production volumes to lower investment and installation costs, operation with admixtures of H2/NG, support European manufacturers to enable shift to more efficient manufacturing processes

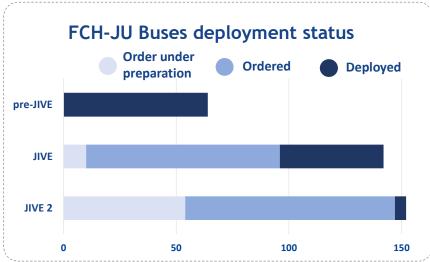


Large deployment of Fuel Cell Buses in Europe













Fuel cell buses manufacturers Daimler (De), Van Hool (Be), Safra (Fr), VDL (NI), Solaris (PI), Caetano(Pt), Wrightbus (UK)

Challenges: lower price and operating costs, increase durability and availability, develop refueling infrastructure, increase payload and range for coaches, demonstrate 18 m buses



New generation of hydrogen compressors for refuelling stations





The COSMHYC XL project aims at developing an innovative compression solution for extra-large HRS addressing trucks and non road applications.

The COSMHYC project developed and tested an innovative compression solution based on a combining metal hydride and diaphragm compressors for hydrogen refueling stations (HRS).

Hydrogen cost reduced by 20%.

Heat & Cold management system

Heat & Cold fluxes

Hopping Compressor

SCOPE OF THE CONPRESSION PROJECT

Challenges: standardisation, innovative compression technologies, reduce energy consumption, increase capacity to address all kinds of transport

Heavy duty trucks demonstration projects to validate the technology



Long haul and urban applications





- ➤ At least 400 km autonomy;
- ➤ Tractor and rigid configurations;
- ➤ Integration in the daily operations of end users (Air Liquide, BMW, Carrefour, Colruyt)
- ➤ 2021/2022 deployment of the trucks;

23/11/2020: Industry commitment for 100.000 trucks and 1500 HRS by 2030 in the EU





FCH 2 JU support for FC and H2 in maritime applications



Moving towards larger sizes of vessels, no « size fits all »



HySHIP

- RoRo vessel, for coastal goods transport
- 3MW fuel cell system using LH2 (>5t storage)
- Conceptual designs for a 20MW ship
- Develop a standardised bunkering system
- Liquid H2 distributed to a series of maritime bases in a containerized system

ShipFC

- Platform support vessel in North Sea (Norway)
- Length: 95m, Gross tonnage: 5073MT
- Operation: 2024
- Zero emission ammonia

The 2nd European Hydrogen Week



The biggest European hydrogen conference hosting key policy makers at European, National and regional level.

In 2020, >10.000 people from 63 countries





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29th Nov. – 3rd Dec. 2021

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