

# Hydrogen: Fuel of the Future?

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Hydrogen Technical Expertise

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2. Alice Caponiti
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4. Toshiyuki Shirai
5. Peter Fraser

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# Leveraging the CEM Opportunity: Expanding Partnerships to Bring Cost Effective Hydrogen for Clean Synthetic Fuels to the World

Eric Ingersoll and Kirsty Gogan

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## Opportunities for Hydrogen

**Today's webinar illustrates new opportunities and partnerships within, beyond CEM:**

**First ever co-branded webinar on hydrogen and nuclear.**

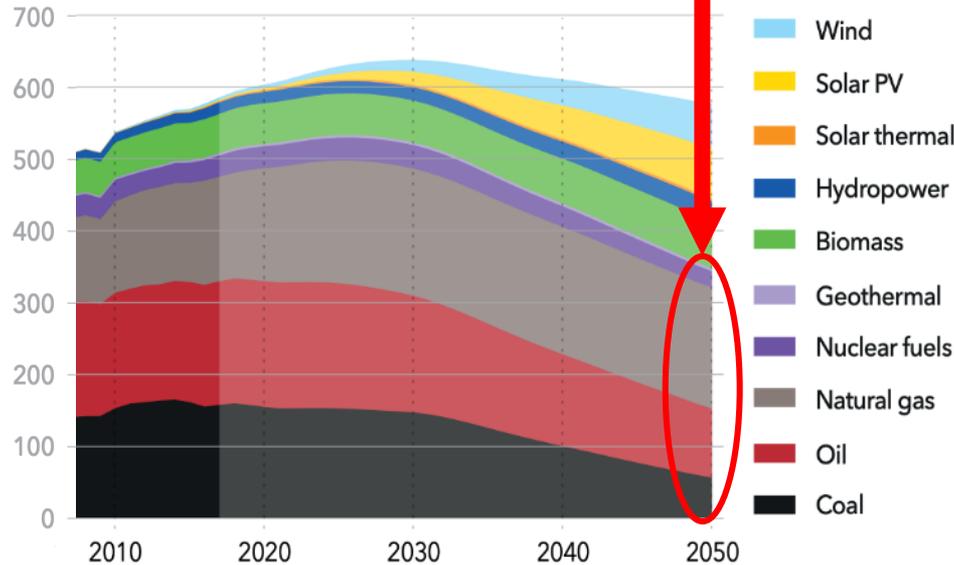
# Even in projections of massive growth of renewables, most primary energy is still fossil in 2050

World primary energy supply by source

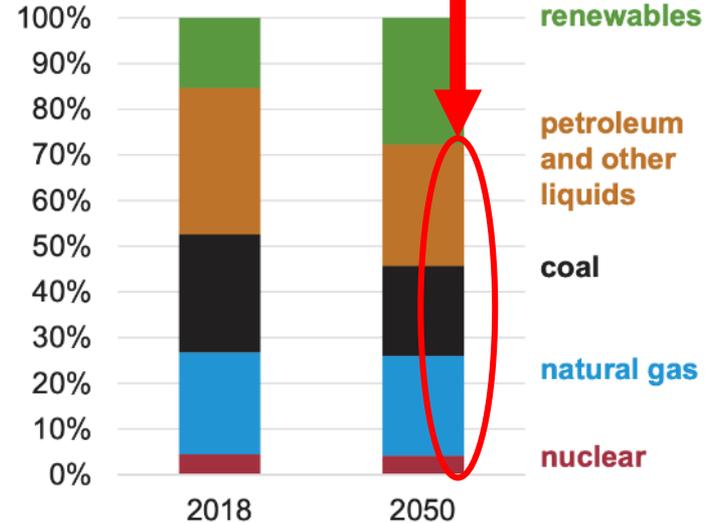
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Units: EJ/yr



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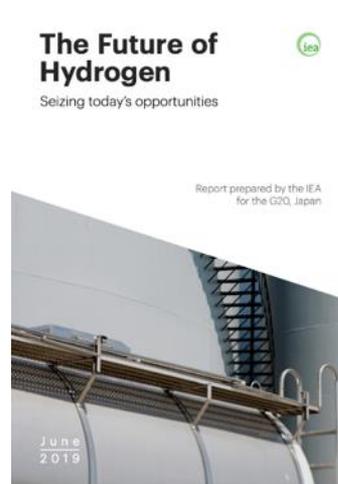
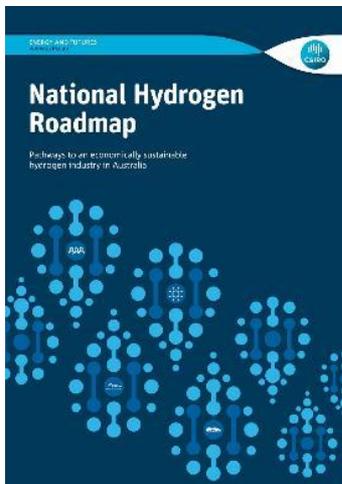
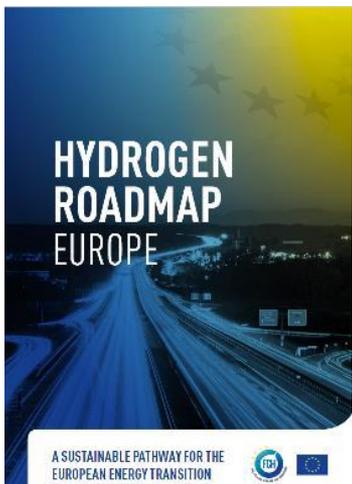
# Some industries will be very difficult to decarbonize

- Biofuels cannot scale to the levels necessary to decarbonize industries like air travel or marine shipping
- Low-carbon options for heavy industry like steel and cement are scarce and expensive.



# There is an emerging consensus about Hydrogen as a Decarbonization Fuel

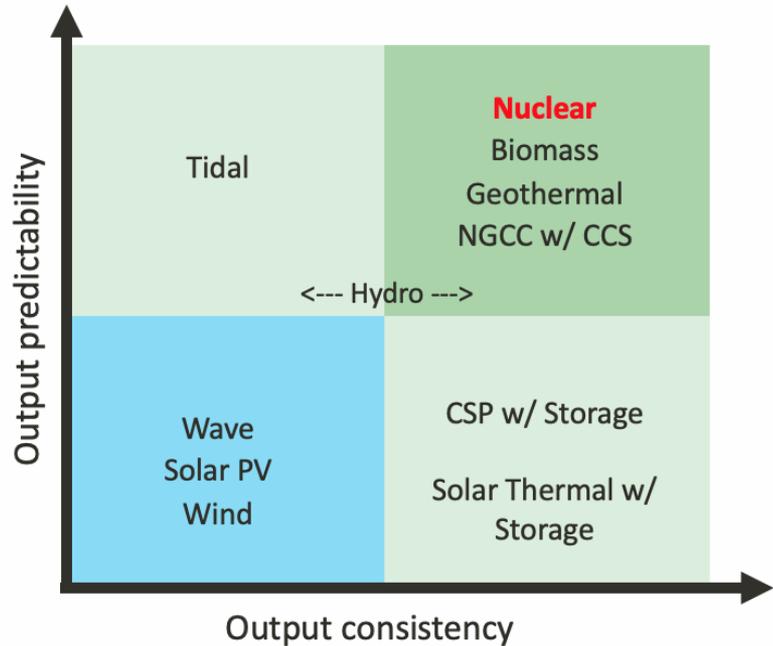
*“Hydrogen is a credible option to help decarbonise the UK energy system, but its role depends on early Government commitment and improved support to develop the UK’s industrial capability, says a new report by the Committee on Climate Change (CCC).”*



# Evidence suggests that nuclear is a promising candidate for low-cost H<sub>2</sub> production

Decades of research suggests that nuclear could offer the most cost-effective means of zero-CO<sub>2</sub> hydrogen production.

This is largely due to its relatively high capacity factor.



Source: EDF (2019) "Sailing on Solar"

# Four reasons why we need dedicated hydrogen production

1. The global liquid fuels market is 4x larger (in GJ) than the global electricity market. H<sub>2</sub> is the primary basis for zero-CO<sub>2</sub> liquid fuels.
2. Using electricity from curtailed renewables results in a prohibitively low capacity factors (i.e., intermittent use of intermittent generation = extremely low capacity factors/ economics).
3. Electricity prices go up when you start using the power (demand curve shifts to the right)
4. Society is paying even if price is low. Below market recoverable prices is not a scalable strategy

# Flexible Nuclear Campaign – The Team

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# Hydrogen and Fuel Cell Perspectives

**Dr. Sunita Satyapal, Director, U.S. Dept. of Energy Hydrogen and Fuel Cells Program**

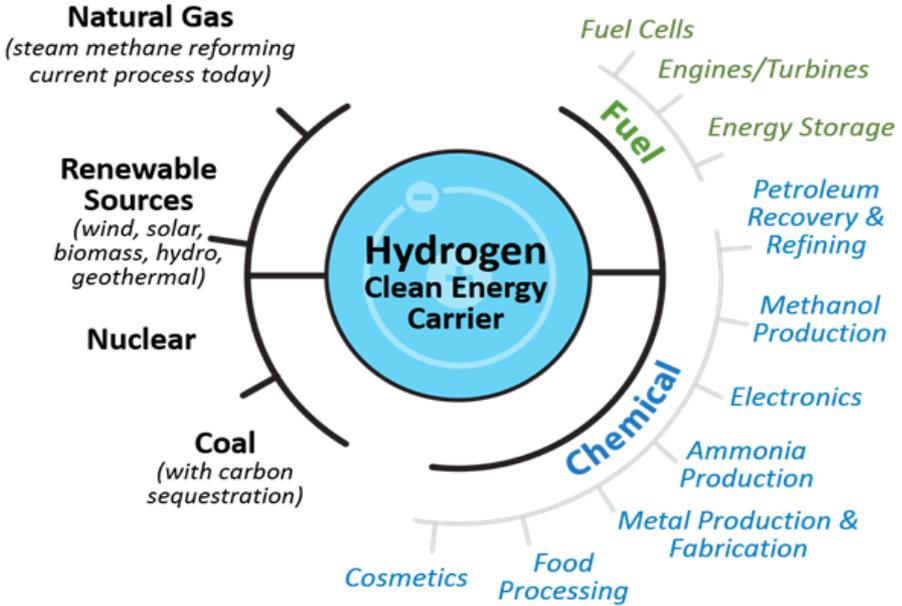
Clean Energy Ministerial's (CEM) Nuclear Innovation: Clean Energy Future (NICE Future) Initiative, Hydrogen Initiative (H2I), International Partnership for Hydrogen and Fuel Cells in the Economy (IPHE) Joint Webinar  
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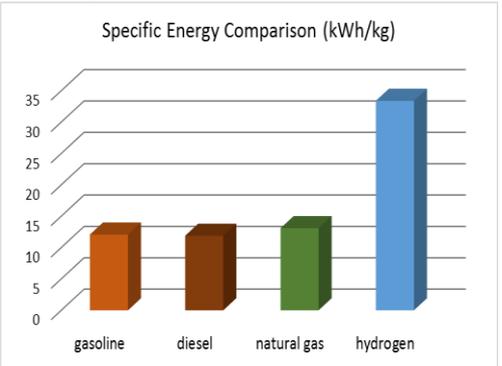
# Hydrogen – One Part of a Comprehensive Energy Strategy

H<sub>2</sub> can be produced from diverse domestic sources

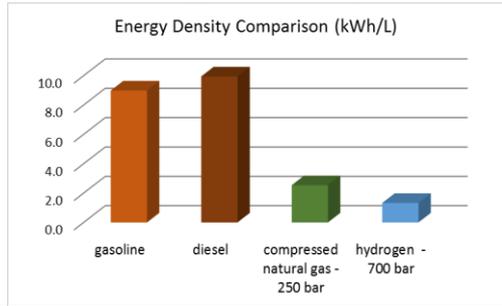
Many applications rely on or could benefit from H<sub>2</sub>



High energy content by mass  
Nearly 3x more than conventional fuels



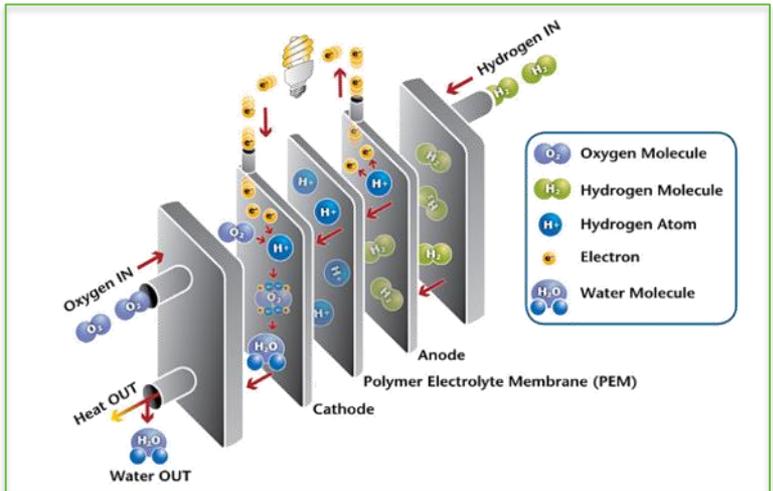
Low energy content by volume



Clean , sustainable, versatile, and efficient energy carrier

# Fuel Cell Basics

Fuel cells can operate on hydrogen or other fuels and do not involve combustion so have high electrical efficiencies

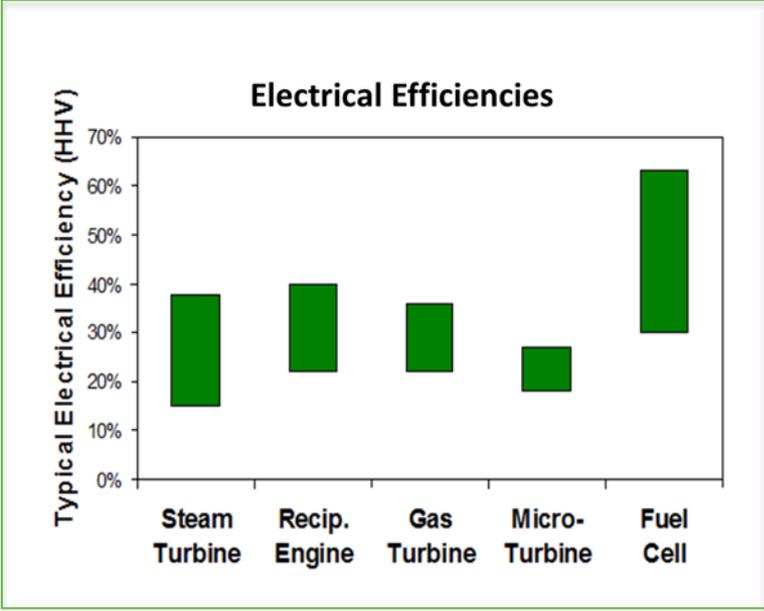


✓ Convenient   ✓ Quiet   ✓ Clean

Refuels in minutes   No noise in operation   Zero tailpipe emissions

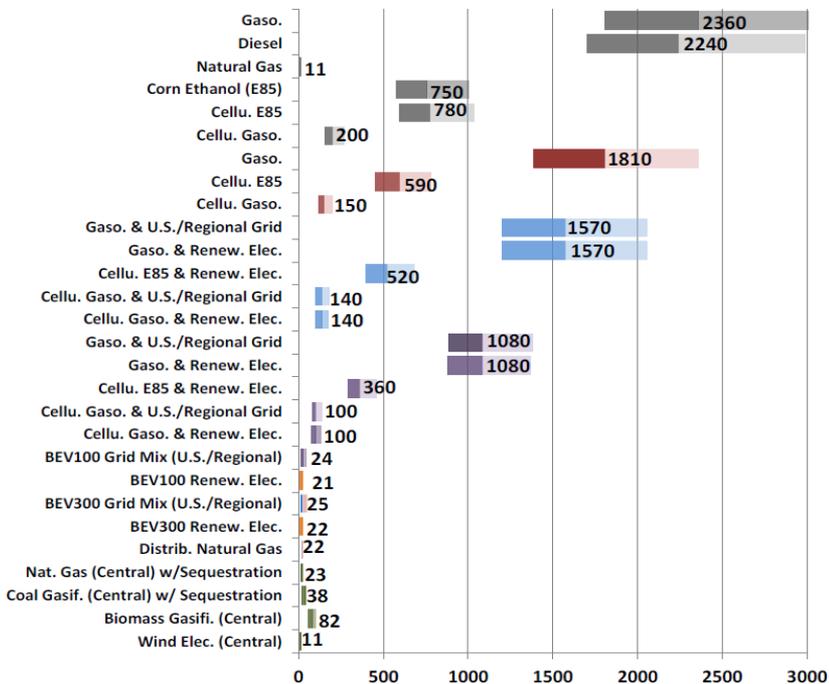
✓ Versatile and easily scalable

Transportation   Stationary  

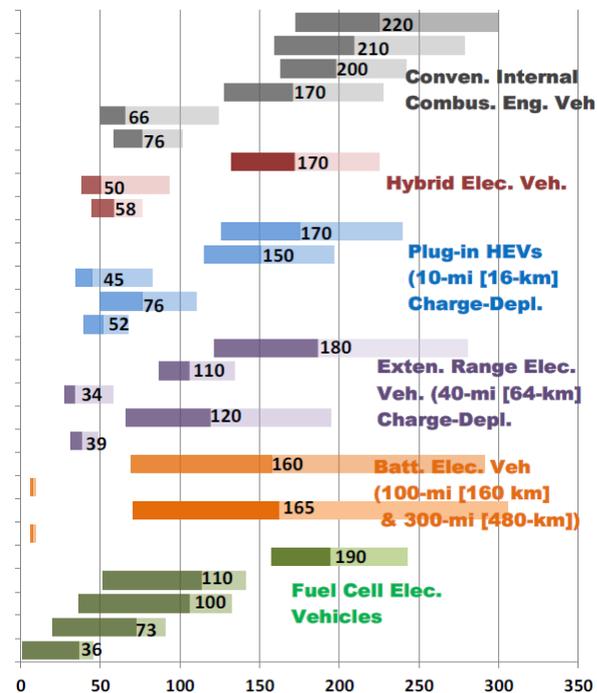


# Example of Well-to-Wheels Analysis: Petroleum Use and Emissions

## Petroleum Use, BTUs/Mile

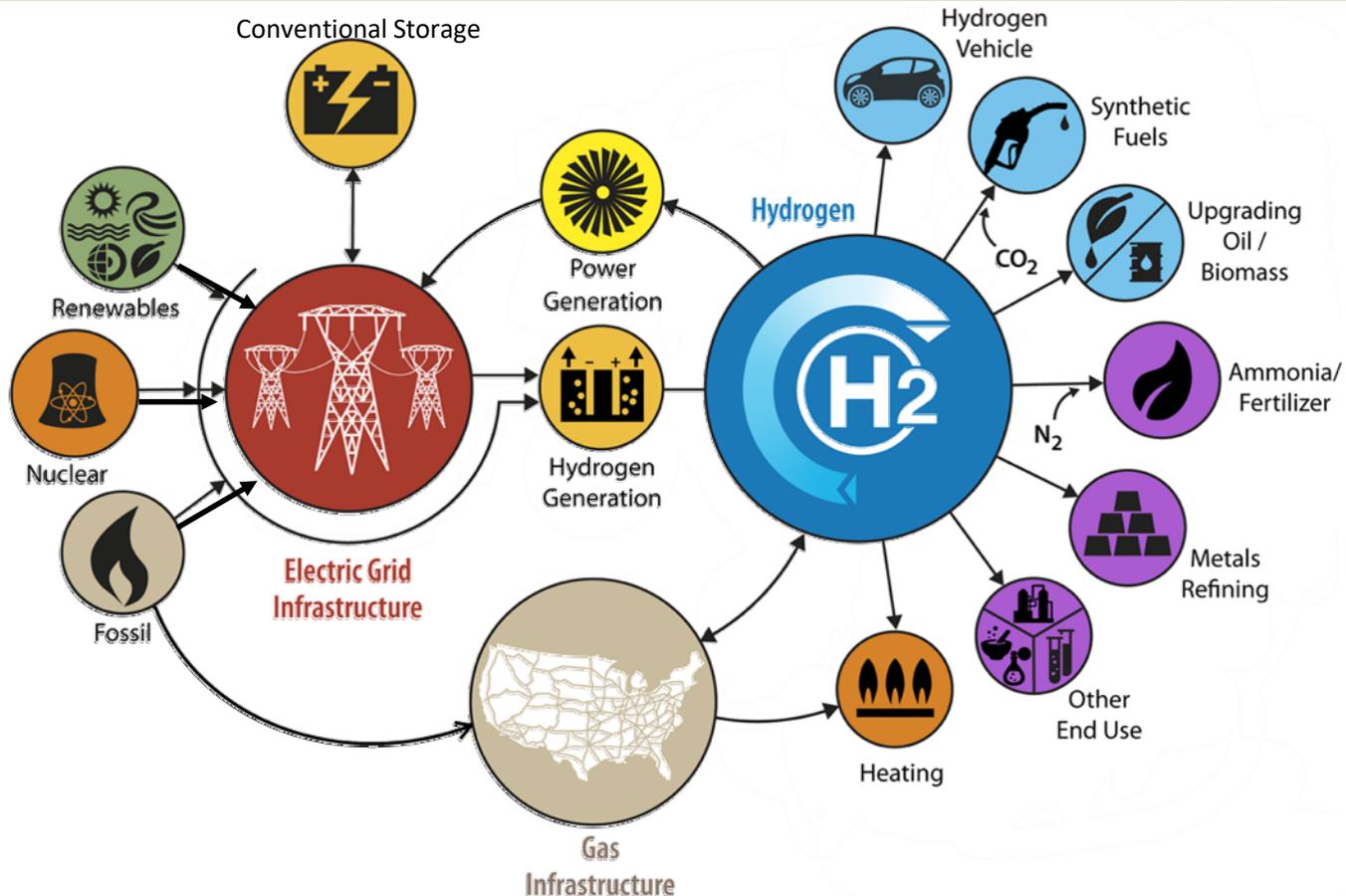


## GHG Emissions, gCO<sub>2</sub>/Mile

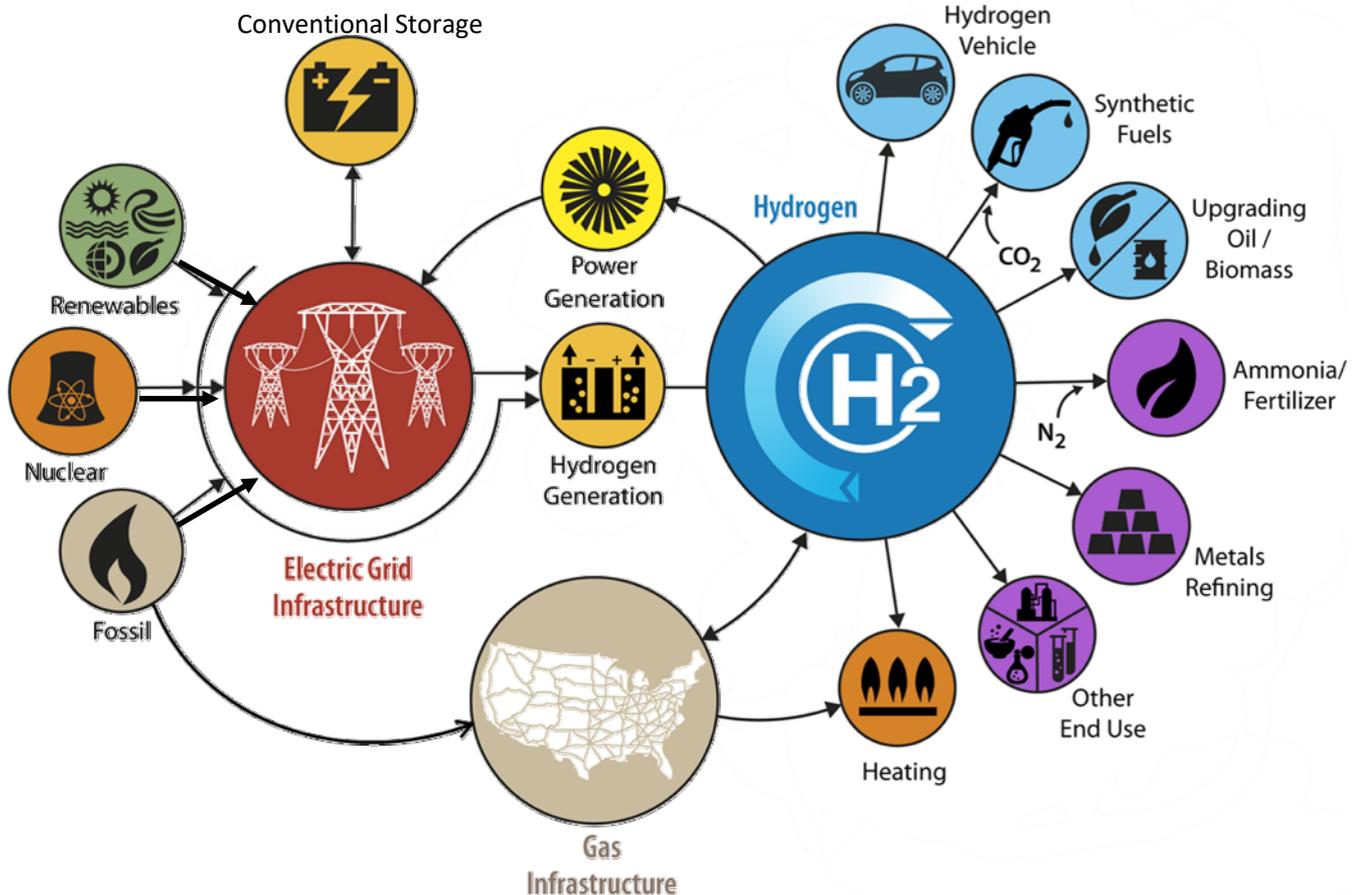


Program Record #13005: [http://www.hydrogen.energy.gov/pdfs/13005\\_well\\_to\\_wheels\\_ghg\\_oil\\_ldvs.pdf](http://www.hydrogen.energy.gov/pdfs/13005_well_to_wheels_ghg_oil_ldvs.pdf); updates underway will include heavy duty vehicles- focus for hydrogen fuel cells

# H<sub>2</sub>@Scale: Enabling affordable, reliable, clean, and secure energy across sectors



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# Guiding Legislation and Budget

## Energy Policy Act (2005) Title VIII on Hydrogen

- Authorizes U.S. DOE to lead a comprehensive program to enable commercialization of hydrogen and fuel cells with industry.
- Includes broad applications: Transportation, utility, industrial, portable, stationary, etc.

## Program To Date

- **\$100M to \$250M per year**
- **100 to 200+ projects per year**
- **>100 organizations & extensive collaborations**
- **Includes H2, fuel cells and cross cutting RD&D:**
  - H2 production, delivery, storage, utilization (including fuel cells)
  - Analysis, systems development/integration, safety, codes and standards, education & outreach
- **Reduced fuel cell cost 60%, quadrupled durability, reduced electrolyzer cost 80% and other advances**

	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020
<b>Fuel Cell R&amp;D</b>	32,000	30,000	26,000
<b>Hydrogen Fuel R&amp;D</b>	54,000	39,000	45,000
Hydrogen Infrastructure R&D*	-	21,000	25,000
<b>Technology Acceleration</b>	19,000	21,000	41,000
Safety, Codes, and Standards	7,000	7,000	10,000
<b>Systems Analysis</b>	3,000	2,000	3,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$115,000</b>	<b>\$120,000</b>	<b>\$150,000</b>
	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

\* FY20 Appropriations for nuclear to H2 demonstration project with FCTO (\$10M)

DOE Office	Funding (in \$K)
EERE (FCTO) - Lead	\$150,000
Fossil Energy (SOFC)	\$30,000
Nuclear Energy	\$11,000

- EERE: Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy Office
- FCTO: Fuel Cell Technologies Office
- SOFC: Solid Oxide Fuel Cell Office

# Snapshot of Hydrogen and Fuel Cells Applications in the U.S.

## Examples of Applications



>500MW

Stationary Power



>33,000

Forklifts



>30

Fuel Cell Buses



>45

H<sub>2</sub> Retail Stations



>8,400

Fuel Cell Cars

## Hydrogen Production Across the U.S.



- 10 million metric tons produced annually
- More than 1,600 miles of H<sub>2</sub> pipeline
- World's largest H<sub>2</sub> storage cavern

## Hydrogen Stations: Examples of Plans Across States

### California

200 stations planned - CAFCP goal

### Northeast

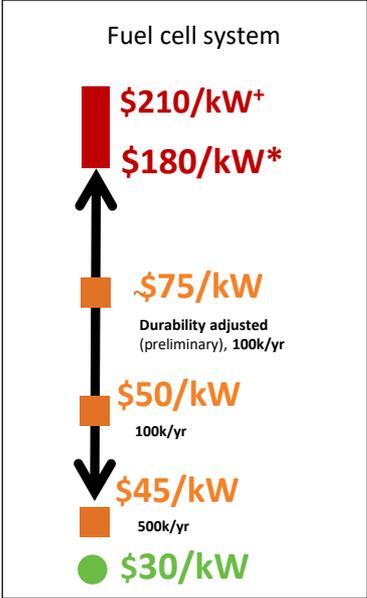
12 – 20 stations planned

HI, OH, SC, NY, CT, MA, CO, UT, TX, MI, and others

# R&D focus is on Affordability and Performance: DOE Targets Guide R&D

Key Goals: Reduce the cost of fuel cells and hydrogen production, delivery, storage, and meet performance and durability requirements – guided by applications specific targets

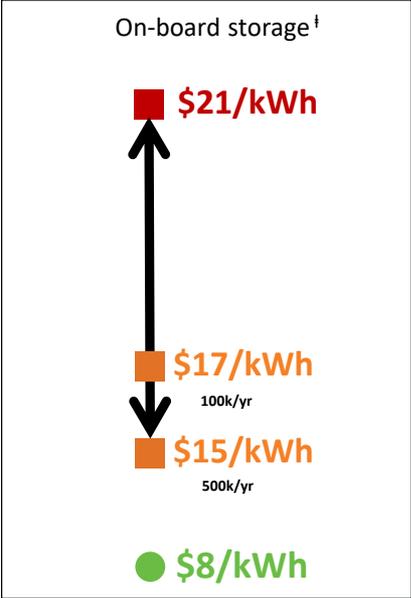
## Fuel Cell R&D



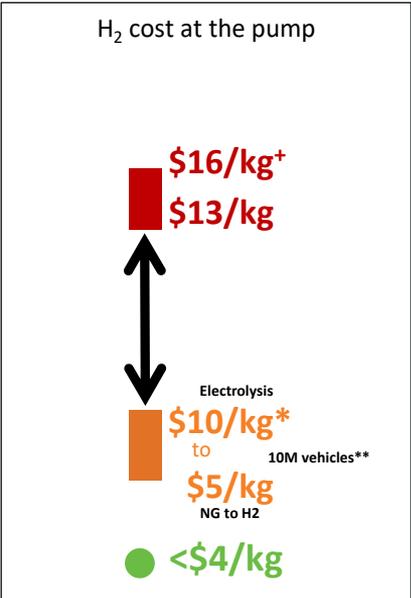
<sup>†</sup>Based on commercially available FCEVs

\*Based on state of the art technology

## Hydrogen R&D



<sup>†</sup>Storage costs based on preliminary 2019 storage cost record

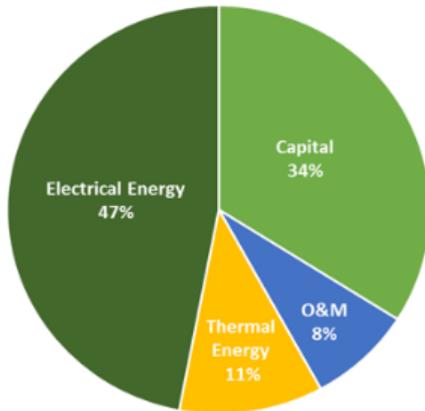


<sup>†</sup>For range: H<sub>2</sub> production from natural gas (NG), delivered dispensed at today's (2018) stations (~180kg/d)  
<sup>\*</sup>For range: Assumes high volume manufacturing in 1) H<sub>2</sub> production costs ranging from \$2/kg (NG) to \$5/kg (electrolysis manufactured at 700 MW/year), and 2) Delivery and dispensing costs ranging from \$3/kg (advanced tube trailers) to \$5/kg (liquid tanker or advanced pipeline technologies).  
<sup>\*\*</sup>Range assumes >10,000 stations at 1,000 kg/day capacity, to serve 10 million vehicles



# Hydrogen R&D Areas – Examples

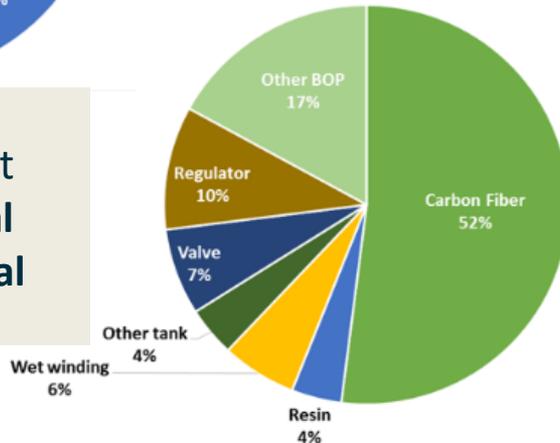
**Hydrogen Production Cost**  
(High Temperature Electrolysis)



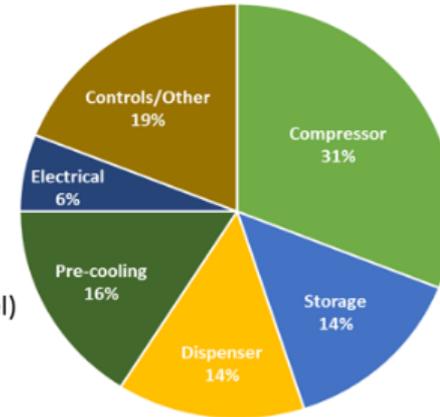
**H<sub>2</sub> Production**  
(Electrolysis) Cost  
Drivers: **Electrical**  
energy and **capital**  
costs

**H<sub>2</sub> Onboard Storage**  
Cost Drivers:  
**Carbon Fiber**  
Precursors and  
**Processing**

**Hydrogen Storage Cost**  
(Onboard 700 Bar Hydrogen Storage Vessel)



**Hydrogen Infrastructure Cost**  
(700 Bar Hydrogen Station)

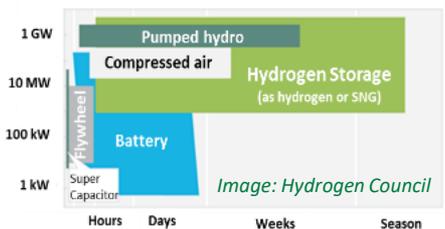


**H<sub>2</sub> Infrastructure**  
Cost Drivers:  
**Compressors** and  
**Storage**

Note: Updates to be published May, 2020

# Increased Activities on Hydrogen, Energy Storage, Hybrid Systems

Overview of Energy Storage Technologies in Power and Time

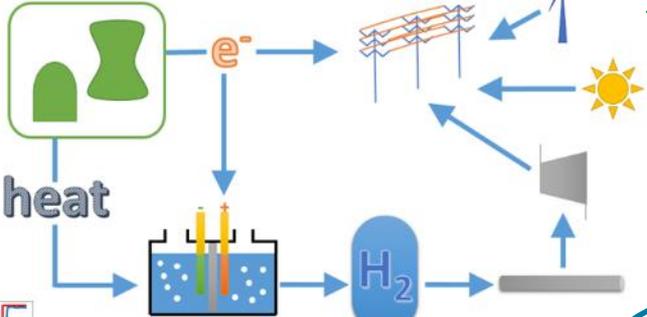


Increased opportunities for nuclear and hydrogen



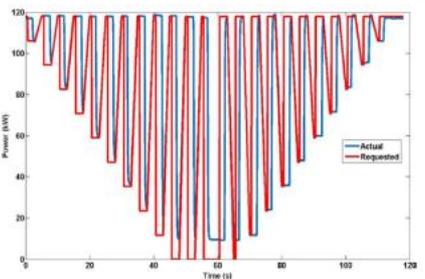
25 kW high-temperature electrolysis @ INL Energy Systems Laboratory

H<sub>2</sub> energy storage



Thermal Integration

Dynamic response



Dynamic electrolyzer response – INL & NREL

DOE Industry demos



Recently announced demonstrations

Multiple end use applications

# New Project: Electrolyzer Operation at Nuclear Plant and In-House Hydrogen Supply

Clean H<sub>2</sub> production enabling dispatchable, carbon-free power

## Objectives

- Develop an integrated hydrogen production, storage, and utilization facility at a nuclear plant site, based on a PEM electrolyzer
- Demonstration of economic supply of carbon-free hydrogen for internal nuclear site use.
- Dynamic control of the electrolyzer

## Expected Outcomes

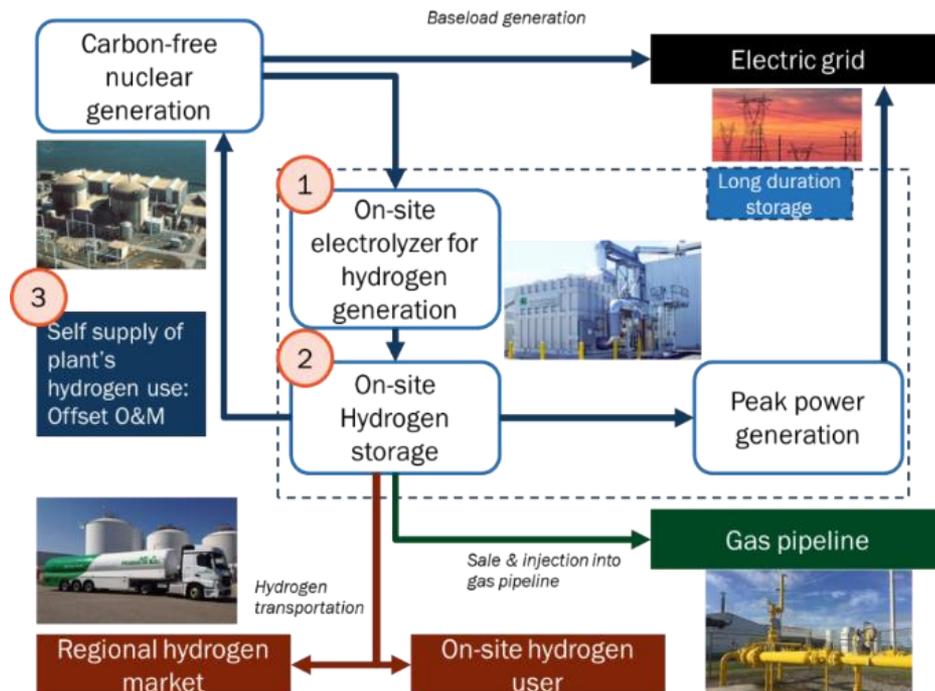
- Scaled-up hydrogen production in the U.S. power sector through a dynamically operable hydrogen production facility at a nuclear plant enabling nuclear units to be dispatchable.
- Demonstrated mechanism for hydrogen-based energy storage systems to improve nuclear plant participation in organized power markets.

## Program Summary

**Partners:** Exelon & Nel Hydrogen, INL, NREL, ANL

**Period:** 36 months

**Total budget:** \$7.2 million



Based on original proposal submission; final project under negotiation

A top-down view of several hands of different skin tones stacked in a circle on a green grassy background. The hands are interlocked, with fingers resting on the backs of the hands below them. Two hands have gold rings on their fingers. The overall image conveys a sense of unity and teamwork.

# Collaboration & Resources

# Global Government Partnerships to Accelerate Progress on Hydrogen and Fuel Cells



Elected Chair and Vice-Chair, 2018

Mission Innovation Hydrogen Challenge Launched 2017

Hydrogen Energy Ministerial (HEM) Launched 2018

Clean Energy Ministerial Hydrogen Initiative Launched 2019

## Hydrogen and Fuel Cells in the Economy

Enabling the global adoption of hydrogen and fuel cells in the economy

Key Activities: Working Groups on Regulations, Codes, Standards & Safety; Education & Outreach

Develops country updates on policies, status, shares best practices

Task force on developing H<sub>2</sub> production methodology to facilitate international trade

Coordinates activities among global and regional partnerships



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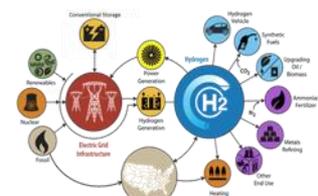
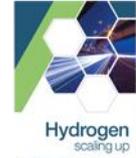
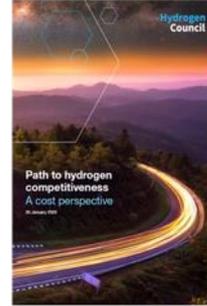
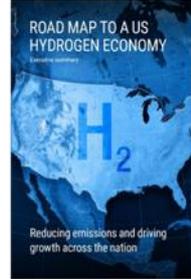
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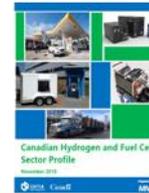
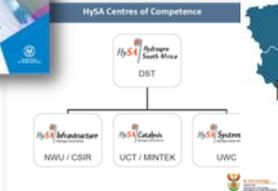
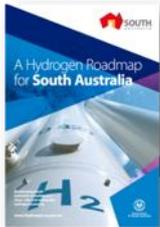
# Roadmaps and Plans Developing in Multiple Regions



Drivers include: Energy security, energy efficiency & resiliency, economic growth, innovation & technology leadership, environmental benefits



**Global Action Agenda released at Hydrogen Energy Ministerial, Tokyo (9/25/2019)**  
**Aspirational Targets:**  
**“10, 10, 10”**  
**10M systems,**  
**10K stations, 10 years**



High priority areas include: Global harmonization of codes and standards and addressing gaps, safety



# Global Snapshot of Status and Goals



More than 1/3 million stationary fuel cells, 15,000 fuel cell electric vehicles, 400 stations  
Over 1 GW of fuel cells shipped in 2019  
Plans developing for applications across sectors

 IPHE Member Countries



2030 Vehicles & Stations Goal<sup>1</sup>

Based on IPHE Country Updates  
US: CA Fuel Cell Partnership goal



# Example of Collaboration: Global Center for H<sub>2</sub> Safety (CHS)

IPHE Steering Committee action: Increase awareness of safety partnership.  
Promotes safe operation, handling and use of hydrogen across all applications.



**輸送分野の水素利用:**

水素は、石油、風力、太陽光、その他のエネルギー資源から作られている。水素はエネルギーキャリアーとして注目されている。

汚染物質、炭素排出量、騒音の削減手段として、トラックや船舶にゼロエミッションの燃料電池活用への関心が急速に高まっている。

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年間 7千万トン  
化学工業 石油精製 電子工業 医薬品業界  
世界中では毎年7,000万トンの水素が産業用途として生産されている。

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[www.iche.org/CHS](http://www.iche.org/CHS)

## Information to be available in multiple languages



1	H 水素 1.008	4	Be ベリリウム 9.012182
3	Li リチウム 6.94	4	Be ベリリウム 9.012182
11	Na ナトリウム 22.98976928	12	Mg マグネシウム 24.305

水素自動車とその水素ステーションは安全に使用できる:  
水素は最新しいものではなく、50年以上にわたって産業界で広く使用されており、安全に使用できるように基準、標準、設計手法などが整備されてきた。

あらゆる燃料はエネルギーを持っており、どれも不適切に取り扱うと危険である。他の燃料と同様、水素もその特性に基づいて設計されたシステムで慎重に使用する必要がある。水素ステーションと燃料電池車(FCEV)は、安全確保のために確立された安全基準に基づいて設計されている。

燃料電池車は、従来の内燃式エンジンよりもクリーンで効率的である。タンクから供給された水素と空気の燃焼から電気を発生させ、排出されるのは水蒸気だけである。



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1,001 億ドル  
2023年見込みの売上規模



58万台  
2023年見込み台数

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11,000 台  
公道上の水素自動車台数  
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20,000 台  
水素燃料のフォークリフト  
2018年実績

# Resources and Announcements

## Save the Date

**May 19 – 21, 2020 Annual Merit Review and Peer Evaluation Meeting for the Hydrogen and Fuel Cells Program in Washington D.C.**



## Oct 8 - Hydrogen and Fuel Cells Day

(Held on its very own atomic-weight-day)



## Resources



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## Alice Caponiti

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Alice Caponiti's current responsibilities include light water reactor programs; advanced reactor development activities – including micro-reactors; innovative nuclear research in advanced modelling and simulation, manufacturing, sensors and other cross-cutting areas; competitive R&D and infrastructure investment programs; and the Gateway for Accelerated Innovation in Nuclear (GAIN) initiative.

Ms. Caponiti previously led efforts to design, build, test, and deliver safe and reliable nuclear power systems for space exploration and national security applications and conduct detailed safety analyses for each mission. She served as the technical advisor to the Department of State and a United Nations working group on space nuclear power sources, as well as a risk communications spokesperson for the New Horizons mission to Pluto and the Mars Science Laboratory mission that delivered the Curiosity rover to the surface of Mars. Prior to joining DOE-NE in 2001, Ms. Caponiti worked on a nonproliferation program to reduce stockpiles of excess Russian weapons plutonium.



## Clean Energy Ministerial

Nuclear Innovation: Clean Energy (NICE) Future Initiative

Webinar – March 18

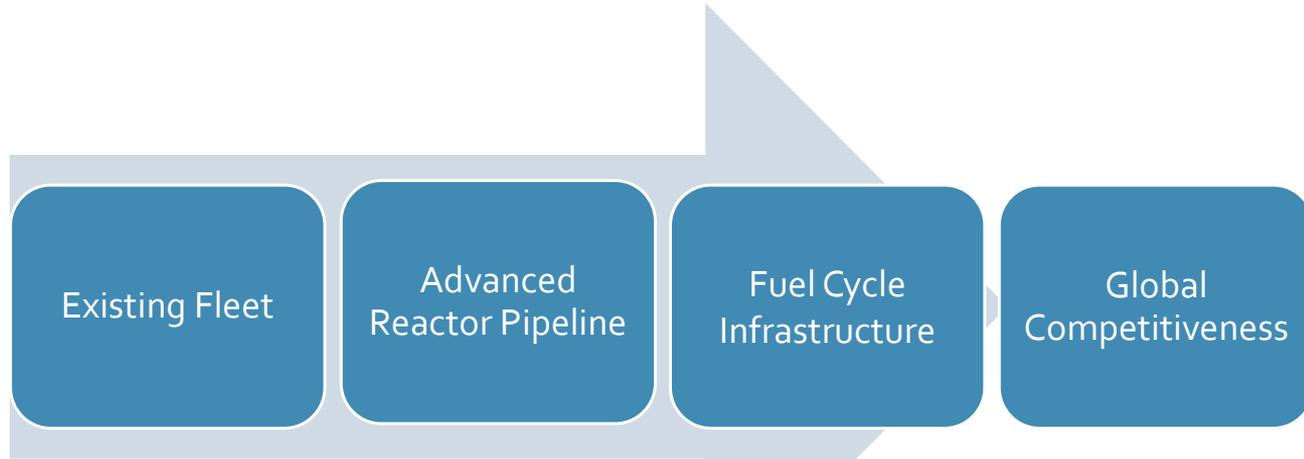
## Hydrogen Integration with Nuclear Power

**Alice Caponiti**

Deputy Assistant Secretary

Office of Reactor Fleet and Advanced Reactor Deployment

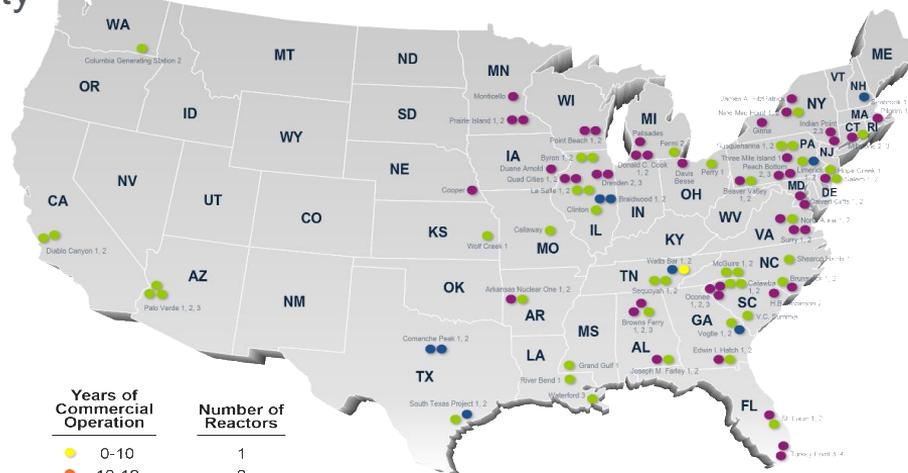
# NE Mission Focus Leads to Global Competitiveness in Nuclear Technology



# Current U.S. Nuclear Power Plant Fleet Provides Majority of Clean Energy

- 8 quadrillion btus total
- 8% of U.S. total energy
- 20% of all electricity
- 42% of clean energy
- 55% of clean electricity

## Distribution of 98 operating nuclear power plants in the U.S.



Note: There are no commercial reactors in Alaska or Hawaii

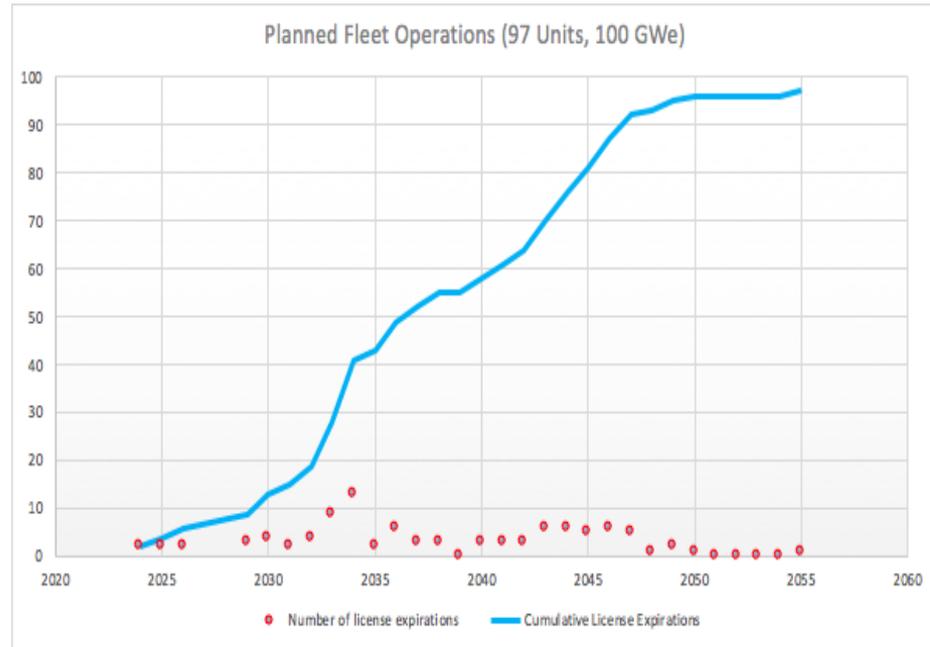
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# Current Nuclear Fleet Faces Economic Challenges

## LWRS Enhances Performance and Ensures Continued Operation of the Light Water Reactor Fleet with transformative technologies to enable:

- Plant Modernization
- Efficiencies in workforce
- Diversity of products



# Light Water Reactor Sustainability (LWRS) Program

## Research Pathways & Focus Areas

### Plant Modernization

Address replacement of existing instrumentation and control technologies and enable plant efficiency improvements through a strategy for long-term modernization

### Flexible Plant Operation and Generation

Evaluate and demonstrate integrated energy systems that competitively produce electricity and non-electrical products to optimize revenue generation by nuclear power plants

### Physical Security

Validate methods and tools which can be used to implement an updated physical security regime to optimize physical security at U.S. nuclear power plants

### Risk Informed Systems Analysis

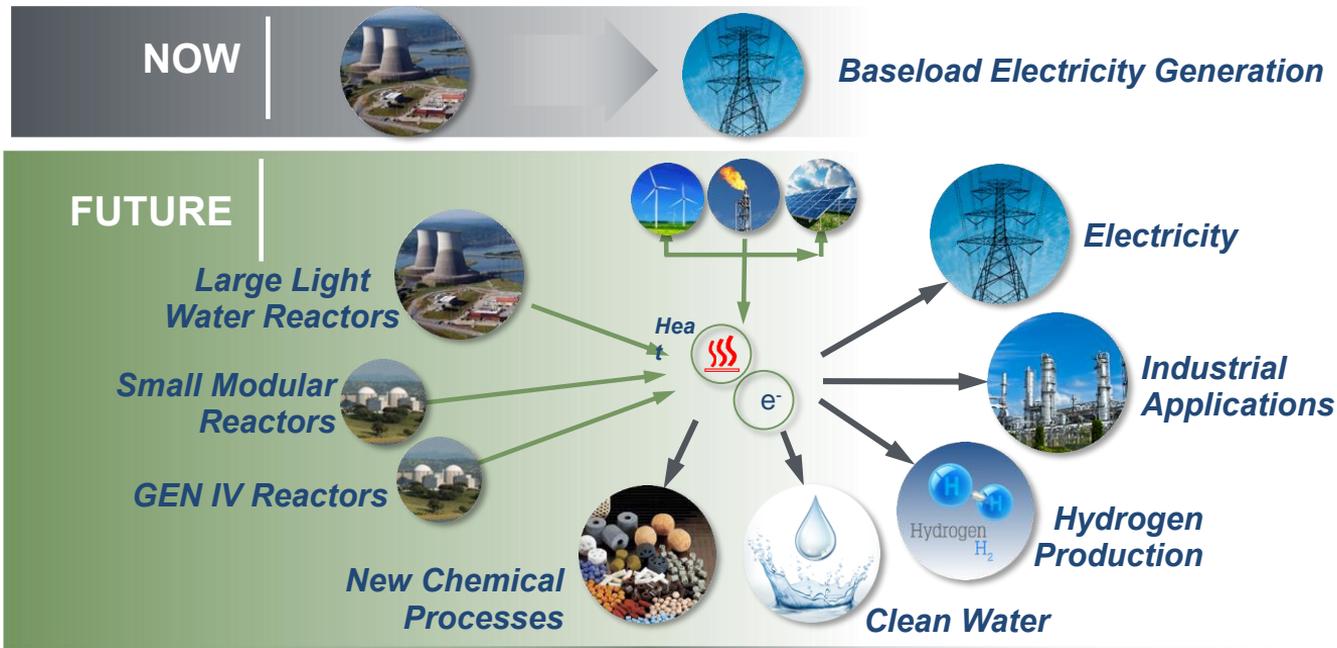
Develop significantly improved safety analysis methods and tools to optimize the safety, reliability, and economics of plants

### Materials Research

Understand and predict long-term behavior of materials in nuclear power plants, including detecting and characterizing aging mechanisms

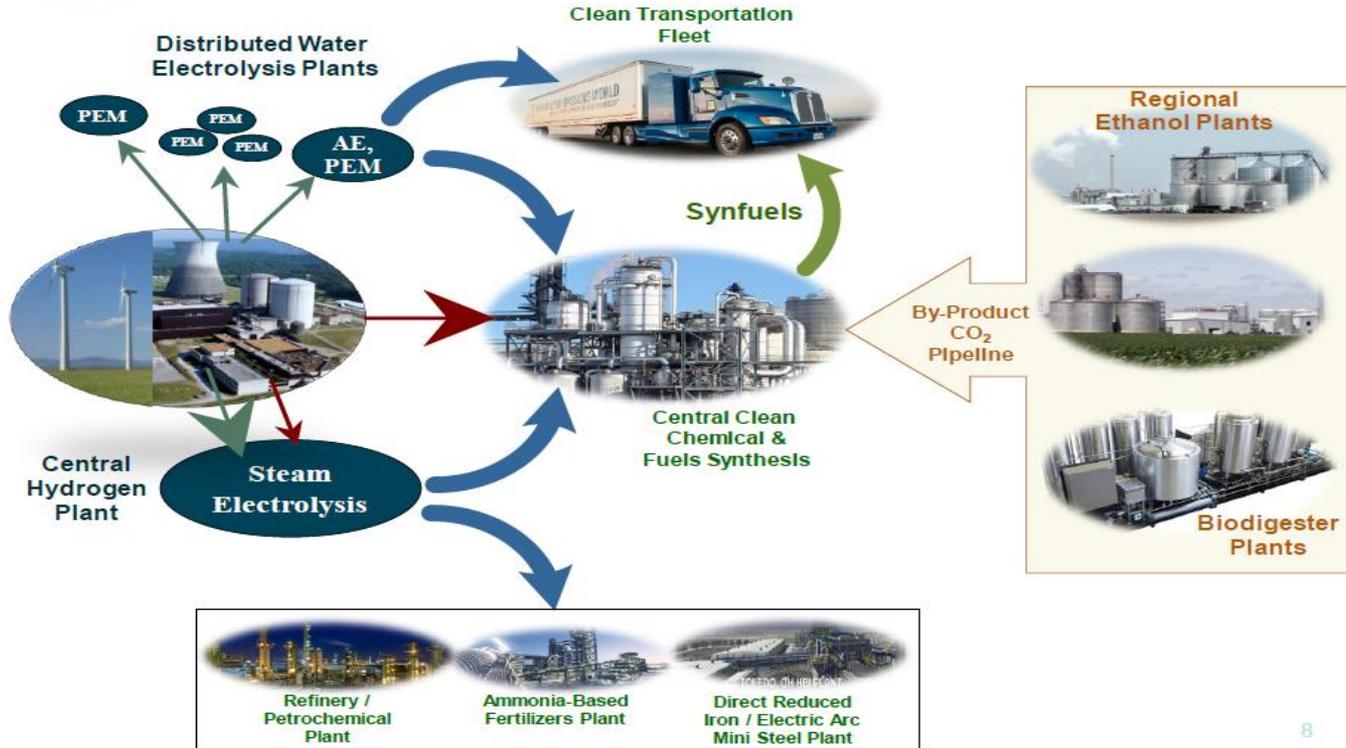
# Nuclear Energy Reimagined

## Nuclear Beyond Electricity – Advanced Reactors



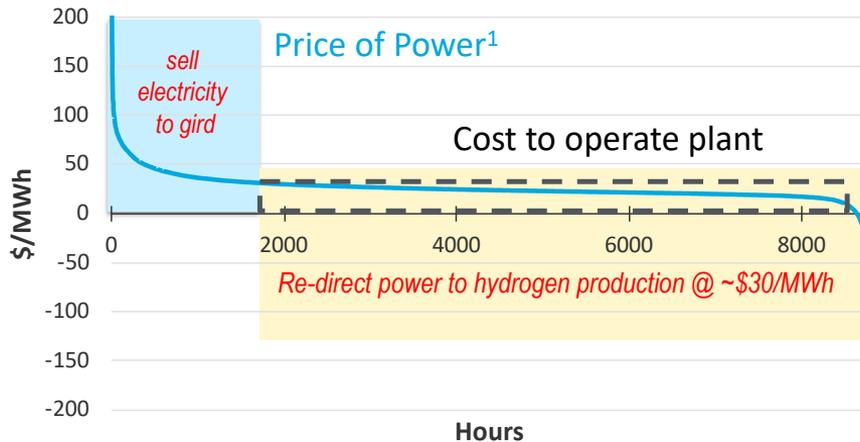
# Integrated Energy Systems

*Maximizing energy utilization, generator profitability, and grid reliability and resilience through novel systems integration and process design*



# Value Proposition for Nuclear Hybrid Systems

**Low-cost electricity creates an opportunity to co-produce hydrogen. Direct power to hydrogen production creates a value stream for nuclear plants to supplement revenue from power generation.**



*The challenge  
in some regions:*

Localized  
marginal  
price of  
electricity

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Cost of  
generating  
electricity at  
nuclear plant

**Up to 80% of the year, electricity price is lower than cost to operate nuclear**

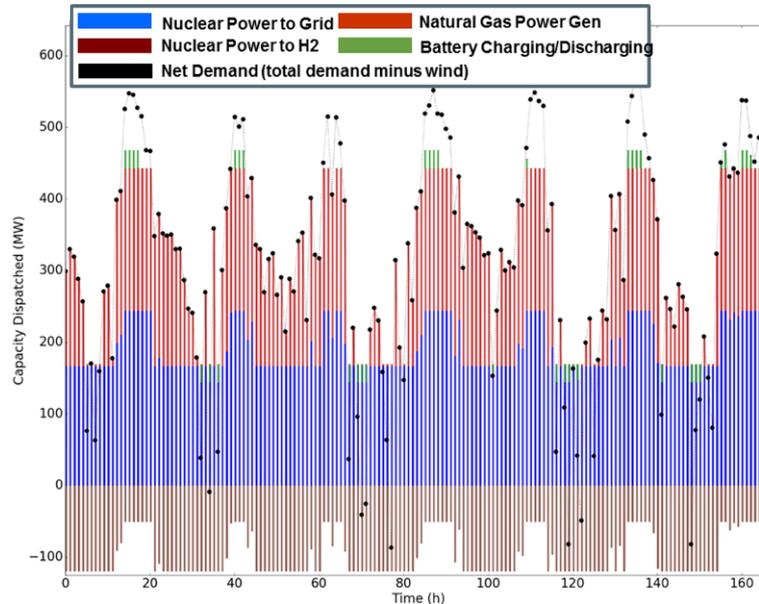
Sources:

1. 2017 data from PJM-NI Hub; R. Boardman, et. al. INL

# Flexible Nuclear-Hybrid Plant Operation Allows Nuclear to Power Peak Electricity Demand

## Example Optimized Hybrid System Performance Results, INL-Developed Toolset

- System design optimization using time histories for one year
- Results shown for a selected time history, one week period (hourly resolution)
- Optimized component capacities
  - Nuclear Reactor 300 MW<sub>e</sub>
  - Hydrogen Plant Capacity 120 MW<sub>e</sub>  
(shown as negative – electricity input;  
70% turndown limit; H<sub>2</sub> market price - \$1.75/kg-H<sub>2</sub>)
  - Gas turbine 200 MW<sub>e</sub>
  - Electric battery 100 MWh
  - Wind penetration 400 MW<sub>e</sub>  
(100% of mean demand, installed  
capacity, 27% capacity factor)
  - Penalty function applied for over or under  
production of electricity.



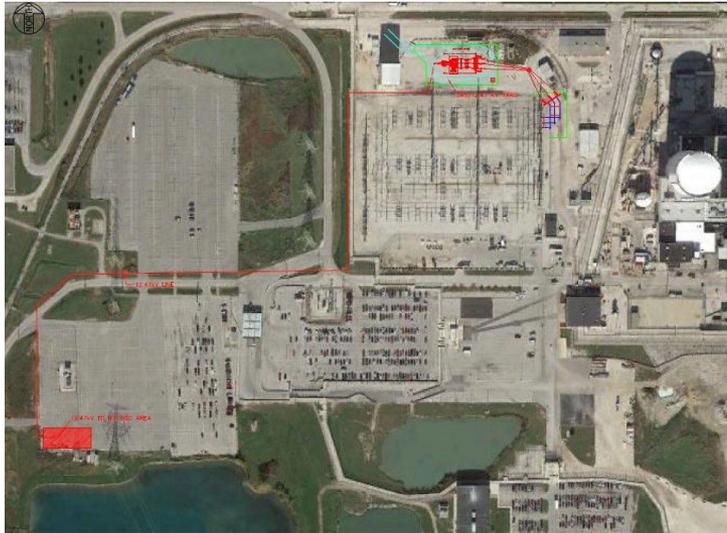
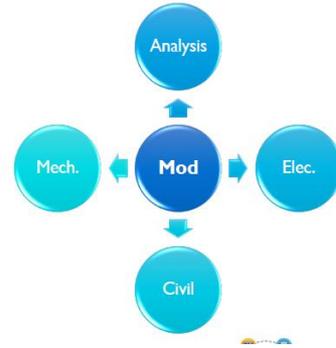
Rabiti and Epiney, INL, 2018

# Recently Funded NE-Led Demonstration

FirstEnergy Solutions Corp., Xcel Energy, APS, INL

LWR Integrated Energy Systems Interface Technology Development & Demonstration  
at Davis-Besse NPP in Ohio

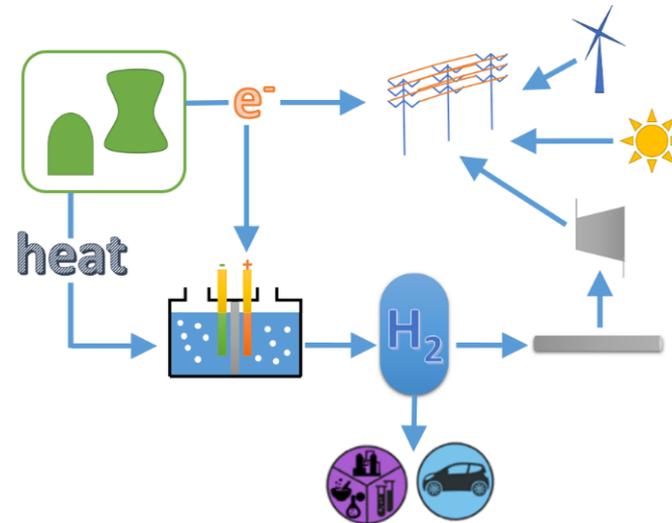
- \$11.5M (\$9.2M DOE), announced September 2019
- 2 MW Containerized “Turn-Key” Electrolysis Test Skid helps reduce project risk
- 24 month project - operation and verification planned for 2022
- Onsite and offsite uses planned



- Ensure no adverse effects on the plant, grid, or skid.
- Control software will be able to modulate H<sub>2</sub> output based on input variables.
- Control software will interface with Programmable Logic Computer (PLC) on vendor supplied H<sub>2</sub>skid.

# Hydrogen Production Demonstrations iFOA Area of Interest Announced March 9

- NE iFOA (\$11M NE, \$10M FCTO)
  - Current cycle applications due 6.30.2020 5PM ET
- Possible areas of work:
  - Larger scale—5 to 20 MW (low-T)
  - Use of electricity and heat (higher efficiency) in high-T electrolysis
  - Integration of renewable resources and grid services
  - Regional market transformation
- Complexity means more attention to:
  - Regulatory engagement
  - System design and cost analysis
  - Safety and risk assessment
  - Integration with reactor operations
  - Qualification of electrolyzers



[https://www.id.energy.gov/NEWS/FOA/FOA Opportunities/FOA.htm](https://www.id.energy.gov/NEWS/FOA/FOA%20Opportunities/FOA.htm)

# High Temperature Improves Hydrogen Production Efficiency by up to 2.4 x

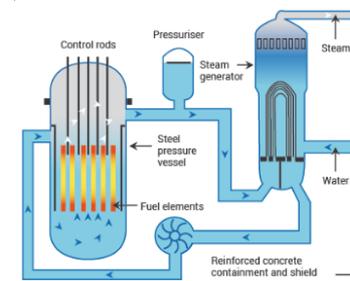
## Electrolysis Efficiencies vs Nuclear Reactor Type

Reactor Type	T-Out (Celsius)	Power Cycle	Electrolysis Technology	Overall Nuclear Fuel Efficiency
LWR	300	Rankine	LTE	25%
LWR	300	Rankine	HTSE	38%
SFR	500	Rankine	LTE	28%
SFR	500	Rankine	HTSE	38%
MSR	700	S-CO <sub>2</sub>	LTE	40%
MSR	700	S-CO <sub>2</sub>	HTSE	52%
HTGR	750	He Brayton	LTE	37%
HTGR	750	He Brayton	HTSE	50%
VHTGR	950	He Brayton	LTE	42%
VHTGR	950	He Brayton	HTSE	59%

Laboratory Scale  
Experimentally Proven  
Modeled

### Light Water Reactors

~275 – 325 C



### Gas Reactors

~750 – 1000 C

~480 – 625 C

### Fast Reactors



GE Hitachi PRISM



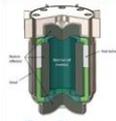
TerraPower TWR



Advanced Reactor Concepts LLC ARC-100



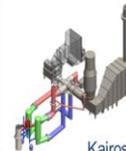
Terrestrial Energy USA IMSR



TerraPower MCFR



Elysium USA MCSFR



Kairos Power UCB PB-FHR

~600-775 C

### Molten Salt Reactors



X-Energy Xe-100



Framatome SC-HTGR

# The Future: Microreactor Powered Hydrogen Fueling Station

## Notional Specs\*

MW Total (15 MW modules)	60
kg / day trucks	50
kWh / kg hydrogen generation	50
kWh / truck / day	2500
trucks / station / day	576
fueling positions	~12

\*not associated with images



Image courtesy of Nikola Motor Company

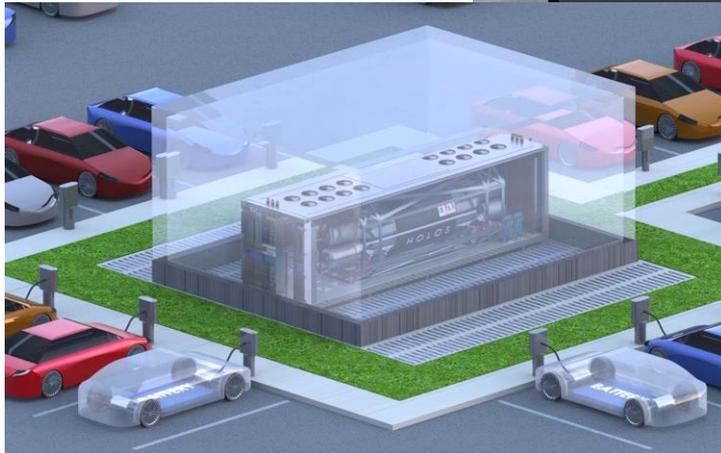
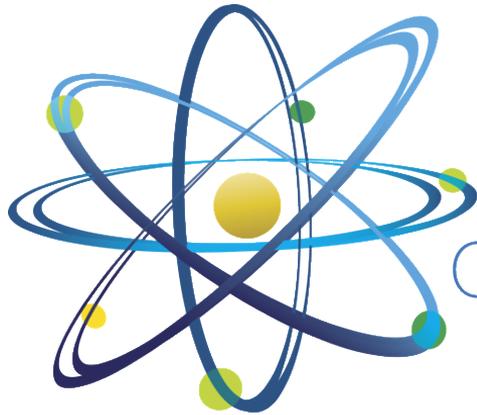


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Thank You



Clean. **Reliable. Nuclear.**



## Dr. Sellathurai (Sam) Suppiah

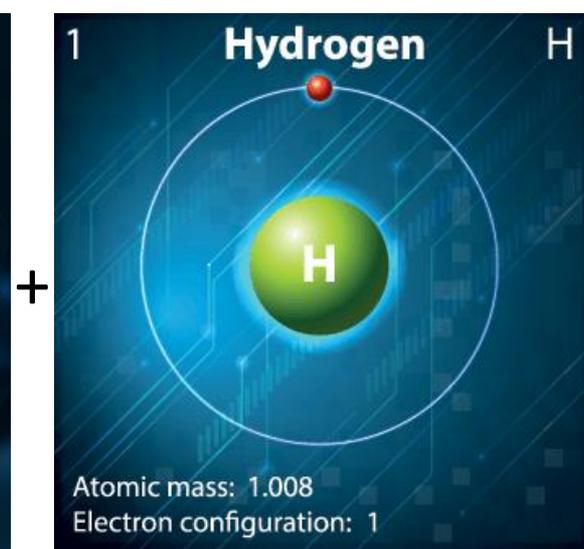
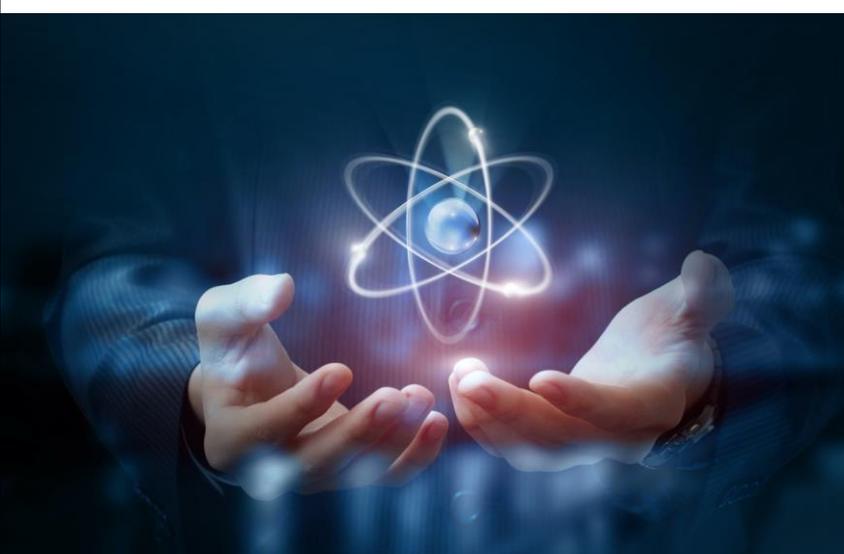
*Manager, Chemical Engineering Branch*

*Facility Authority – Tritium Facility, Canadian Nuclear Laboratories Ltd., Canada*

Suppiah manages the Chemical Engineering Branch and the Facility Authority for the Tritium Facility Operations at Canadian Nuclear Laboratories at Chalk River. A chemical engineering graduate from University of Birmingham, UK. He has more than 35 years of expertise in the areas of Heavy Water and Tritium, Catalysis, Electrolysis Cell technologies, Fuel Cell technologies, Nuclear and non-Nuclear Battery technologies, Hydrogen Production from High and Medium Temperature Thermochemical Processes and Steam Electrolysis.

Suppiah leads collaborations in many of the above areas with industry, institutes and universities. He is the Canadian delegate for the GEN IV VHTR Hydrogen Production Project Management Board. He is also a board member of the Canadian Hydrogen and Fuel Cell Association (CHFCA). He has been a regular presenter at IAEA's technical meetings on Hydrogen Production and other national and international meetings.

His branch consists of chemical and mechanical engineers, electrochemists and chemical technologists working in technology developments and commercial activities in the above areas.



# Hydrogen: Fuel of the Future?

Nuclear Innovation: Clean Energy Future Webinar, 2020 March 18

Sam Suppiah

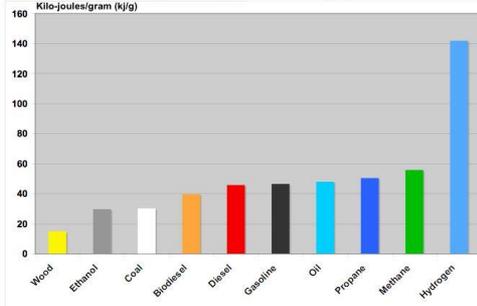
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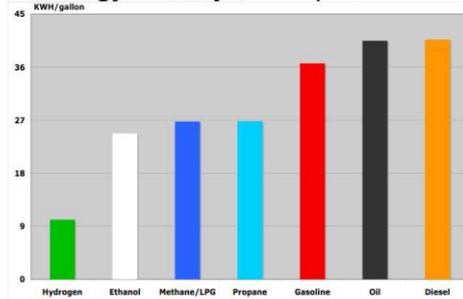
# Hydrogen - A Critical Energy Carrier For Future

## Specific Energy

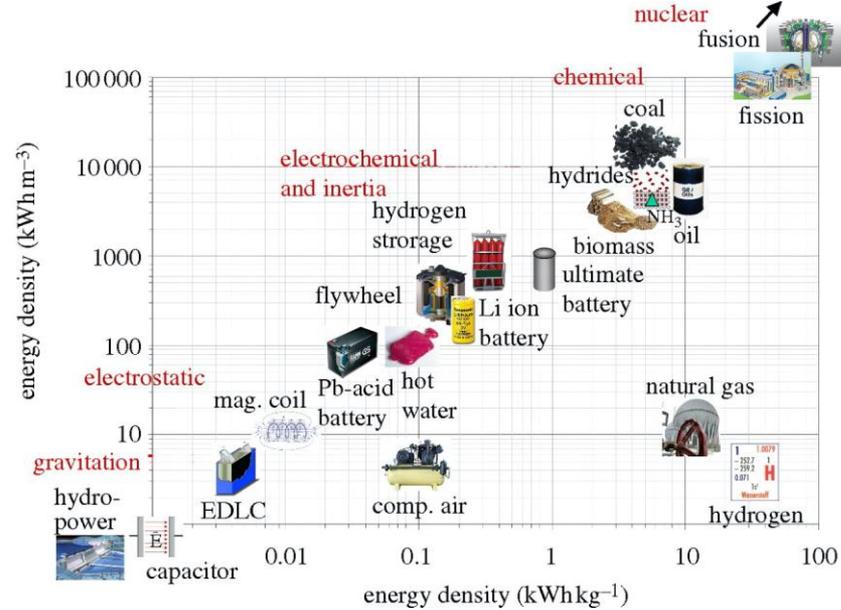


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## Energy Density: KWH per Gallon



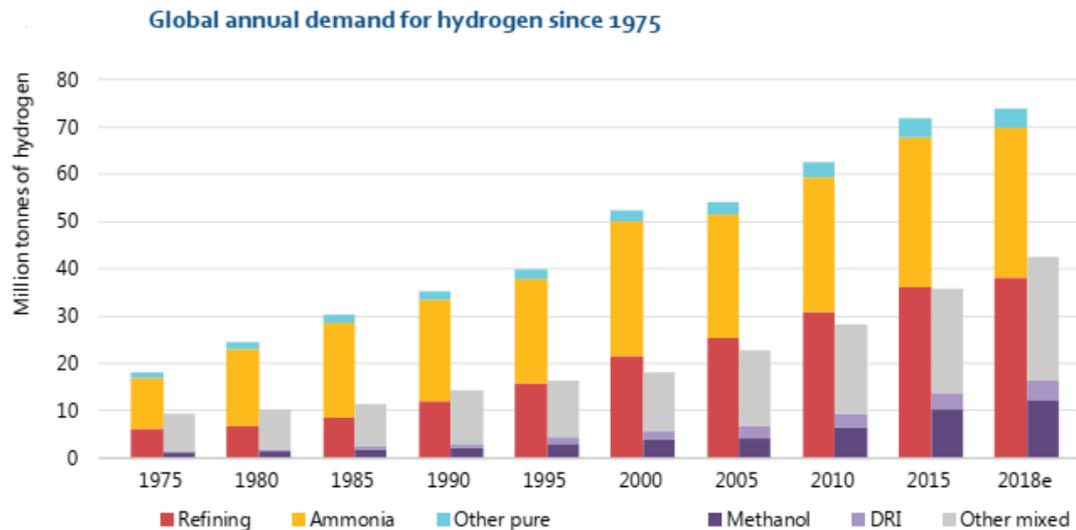
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A. Zuttel et al., Phil. Trans. R. Soc. A(2010), 368, 3329-3342



# Current Demand & Use of Hydrogen



IEA (2019), "The Future of Hydrogen", IEA, Paris <https://www.iea.org/reports/the-future-of-hydrogen>



# Future Use of Hydrogen

- Transportation
  - Heavy vehicles
  - Trains
  - Ships
  - Aviation



Examples of Canadian (Transport Canada) Initiatives for Marine Operations in Canada:

- 1) Techno-Economic Assessment of Zero-Emission Hydrogen Fuel for Marine Vessels in the Great Lakes Saint Lawrence System
- 2) Marine-Zero Fuel Assessment Tool to Analyse Marine Fleets for Emission-Free Fuel



# Hydrail System- Deployment Perspectives

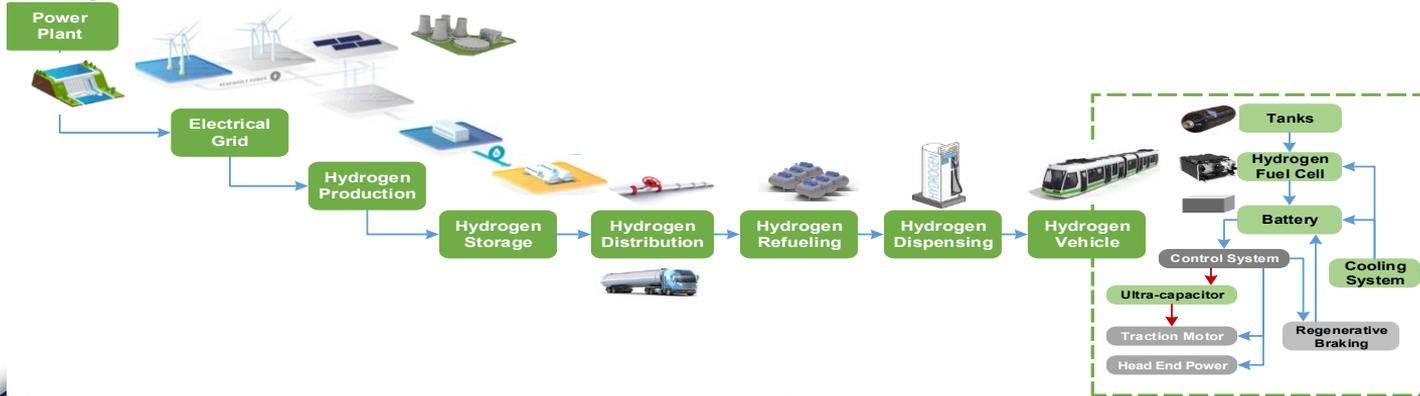
Electrification of heavy-duty rail  
Ontario, Canada

A hydrail deployment would accompany industrial-scale growth in regional trade and jobs creation

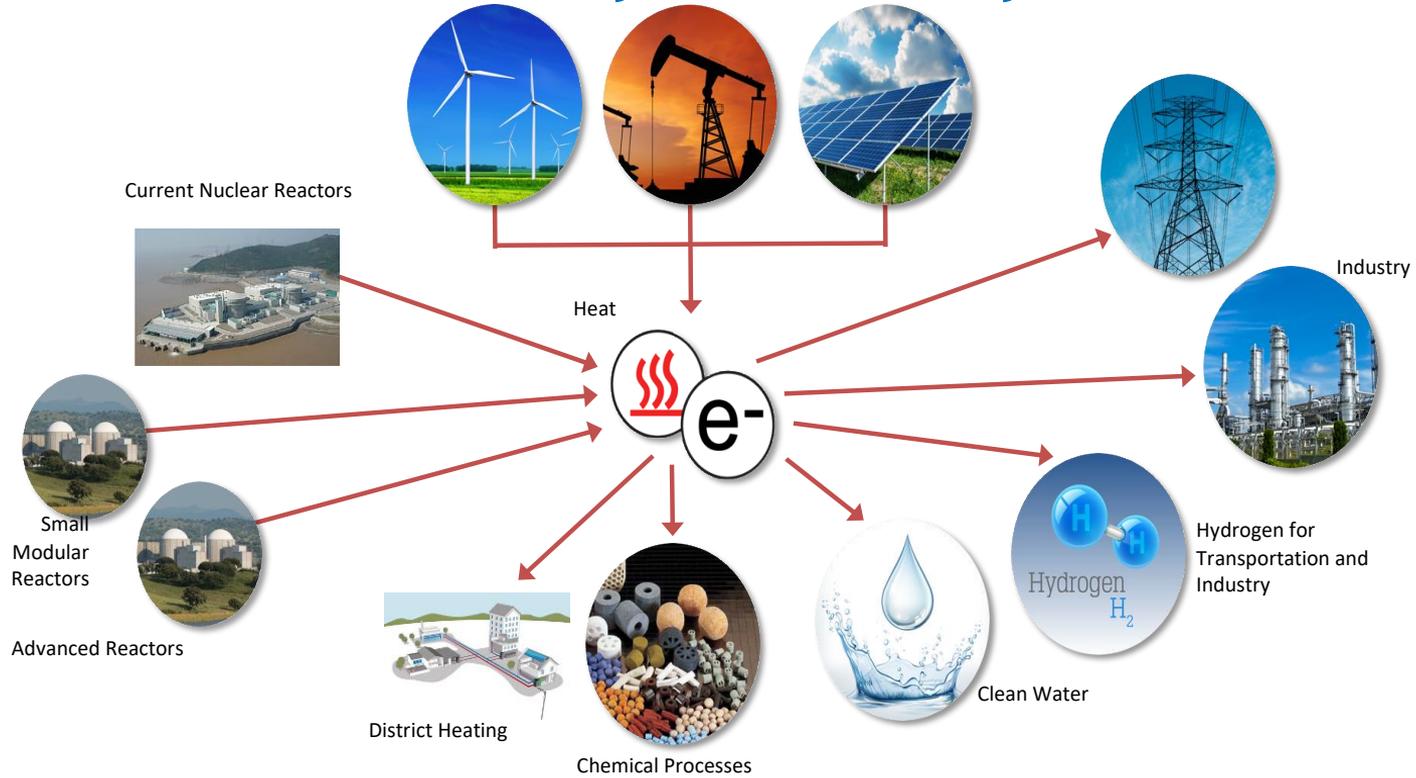


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- Hydrogen for transport gets established as an industry
- Equipment production would grow to industrial scale

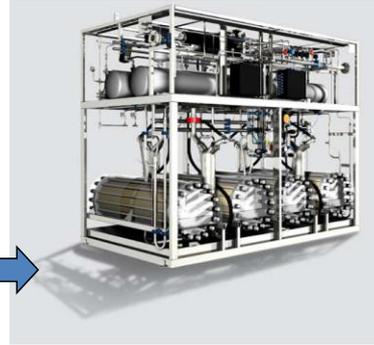


# Integrated System that leverages contributions from nuclear beyond electricity sector

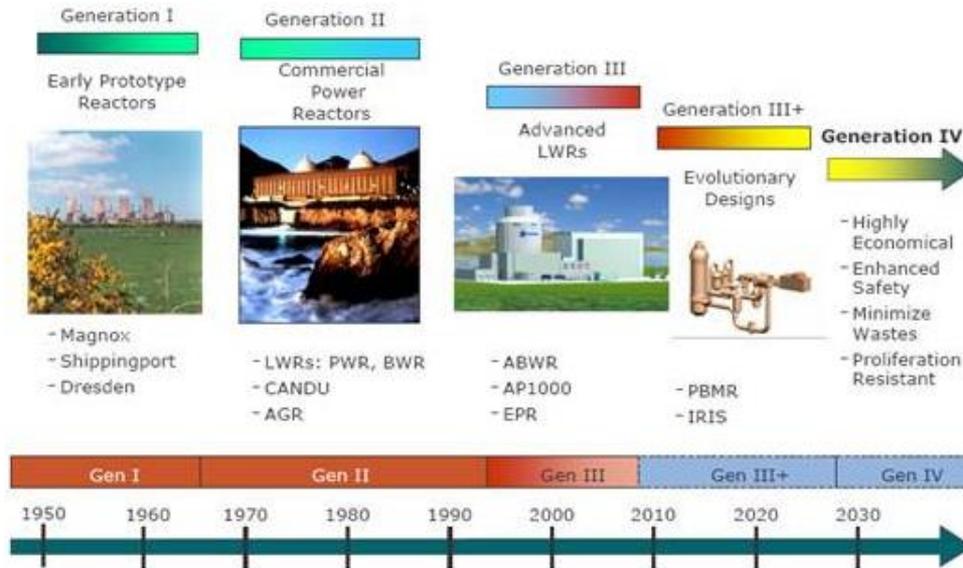


# Current Hydrogen Production

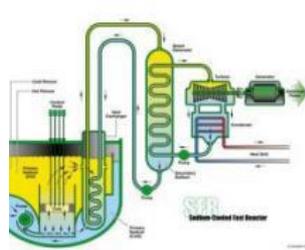
- Fossil source
  - Steam Methane Reforming
  - Biomass
  - Others
- Non-fossil energy source
  - Advanced Alkaline Electrolysis →
  - PEM Electrolysis



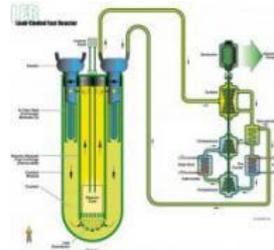
# Nuclear Innovation - An Impetus for the Hydrogen Economy



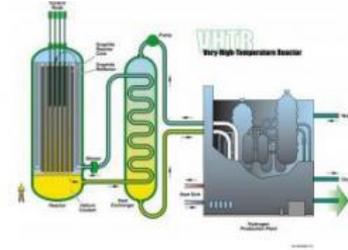
# Generation IV Nuclear Reactor Systems



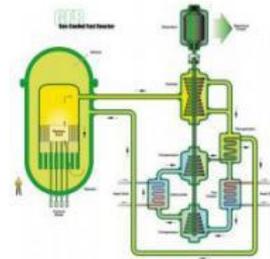
Sodium Fast Reactor



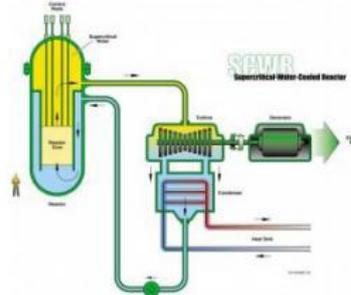
Lead Fast Reactor



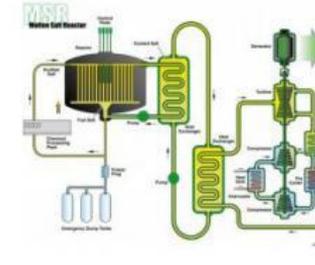
Very High Temperature Reactor



Gas Cooled Fast Reactor



Supercritical Water Cooled Reactor



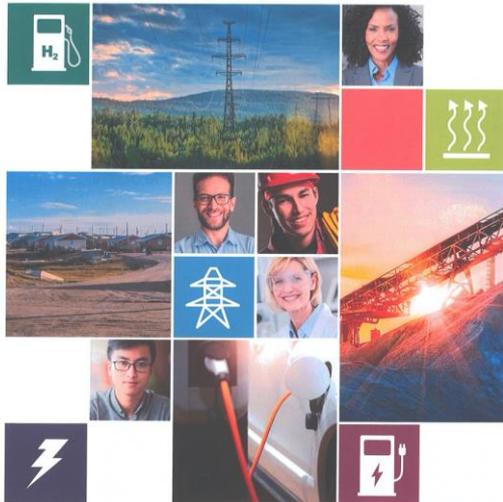
Molten Salt Cooled Reactor



# Nuclear Innovation in Canada

## A Call to Action:

A Canadian Roadmap for Small Modular Reactors



Canada has:

- Longstanding leadership in nuclear science and technology
- A full-spectrum industry with a supply chain primed for growth
- Revitalized labs with new capabilities for research and innovation.

SMRs may be located on sites that differ from where traditional nuclear power plants have been built. For example, SMRs may be established:

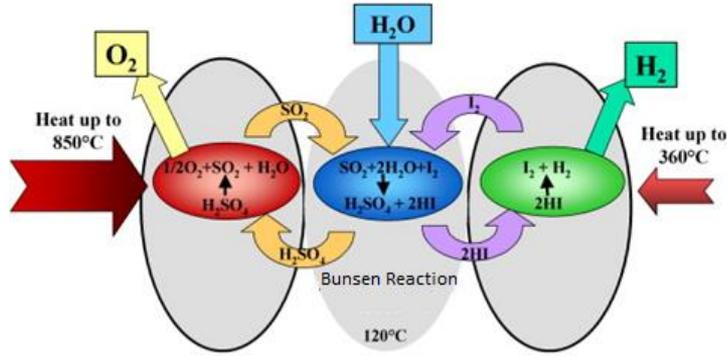
- on small grids where power generation needs are usually less than 300 megawatt electric (MWe) per facility
- at edge-of-grid or off-grid locations where power needs are small – in the range of 2 to 30 MWe

Electrical utilities, industry groups and government agencies throughout the world are investigating alternative uses for SMRs beyond electricity generation such as:

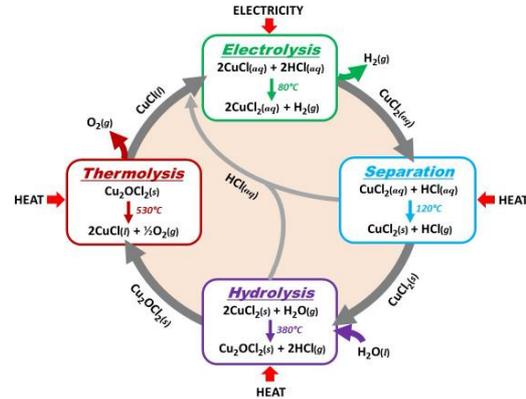
- producing steam supply for industrial applications and district heating systems
- **making value-added products such as hydrogen fuel and desalinated drinking water**



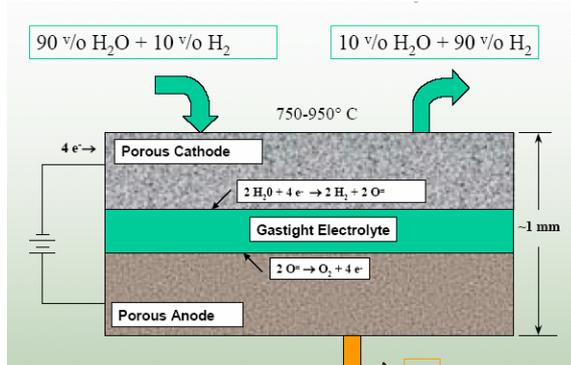
# Hydrogen from Nuclear GEN IV Technology



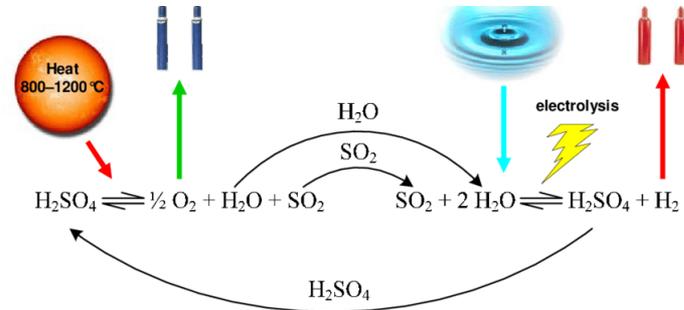
Sulphur-Iodine Process



Copper-Chlorine Process



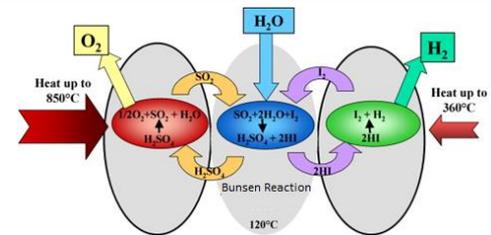
High Temperature Steam Electrolysis



Hybrid-Sulphur Process

# Current Status

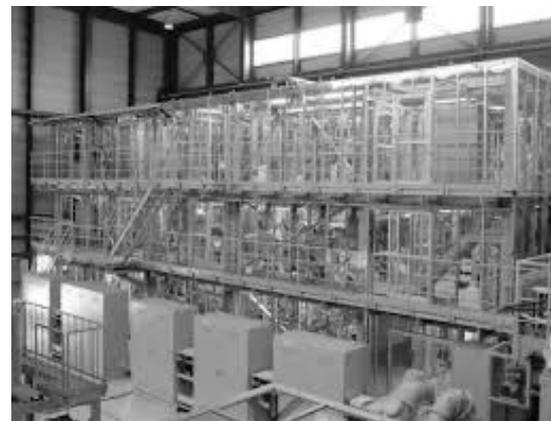
## Sulphur-Iodine Process



- Countries Actively Developing: Japan, China, South Korea, India
- Status: Integrated System Demonstration - China 1 Nm<sup>3</sup>/h, Japan – 30 L/h



China



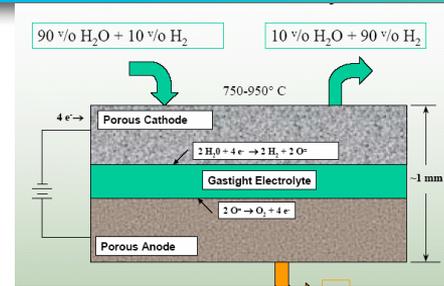
Japan



# Current Status - continued

## High Temperature Steam Electrolysis

- Countries Actively Developing: France, EU, US, China
- Status: Demonstrations in progress



25 kW HTSE Test Facility at INL



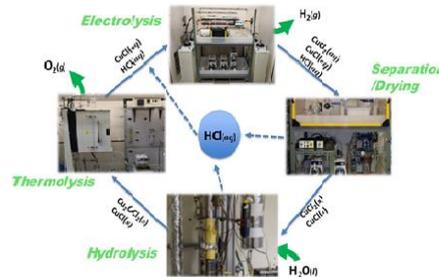
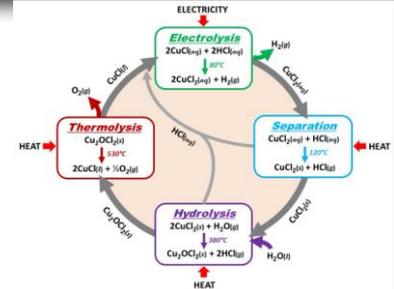
CEA's First Commercial System



# Current Status - continued

## Copper-Chlorine Hybrid Cycle

- Countries Actively Developing: Canada, India
- Status: Preparation for integrated lab demonstration @ in 100g/d Canada



Pilot plant demonstration

Pilot plant design  
1 tonne/day  $\text{H}_2$

Integrated lab-scale  
100 g/day  $\text{H}_2$

Laboratory Process Development	Pilot Plant Design	Pilot Plant Demonstration
2018-2021	2022-2023	2024-2026



# Hydrogen: Fuel of the Future?



YES





# Thank You



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International Partnership for Hydrogen and Fuel Cells in the Economy (IPHE)  
Vice Chair and CEM Hydrogen Initiative (H2I) Co-Lead*

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# **Vision and actions towards “Hydrogen society”**

Hydrogen and Fuel Cell Strategy Office,  
Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry (METI), Japan

## Basic Energy Plan

Hydrogen as a key contributor to:

- Decarbonization
- Energy security
- Industrial competitiveness



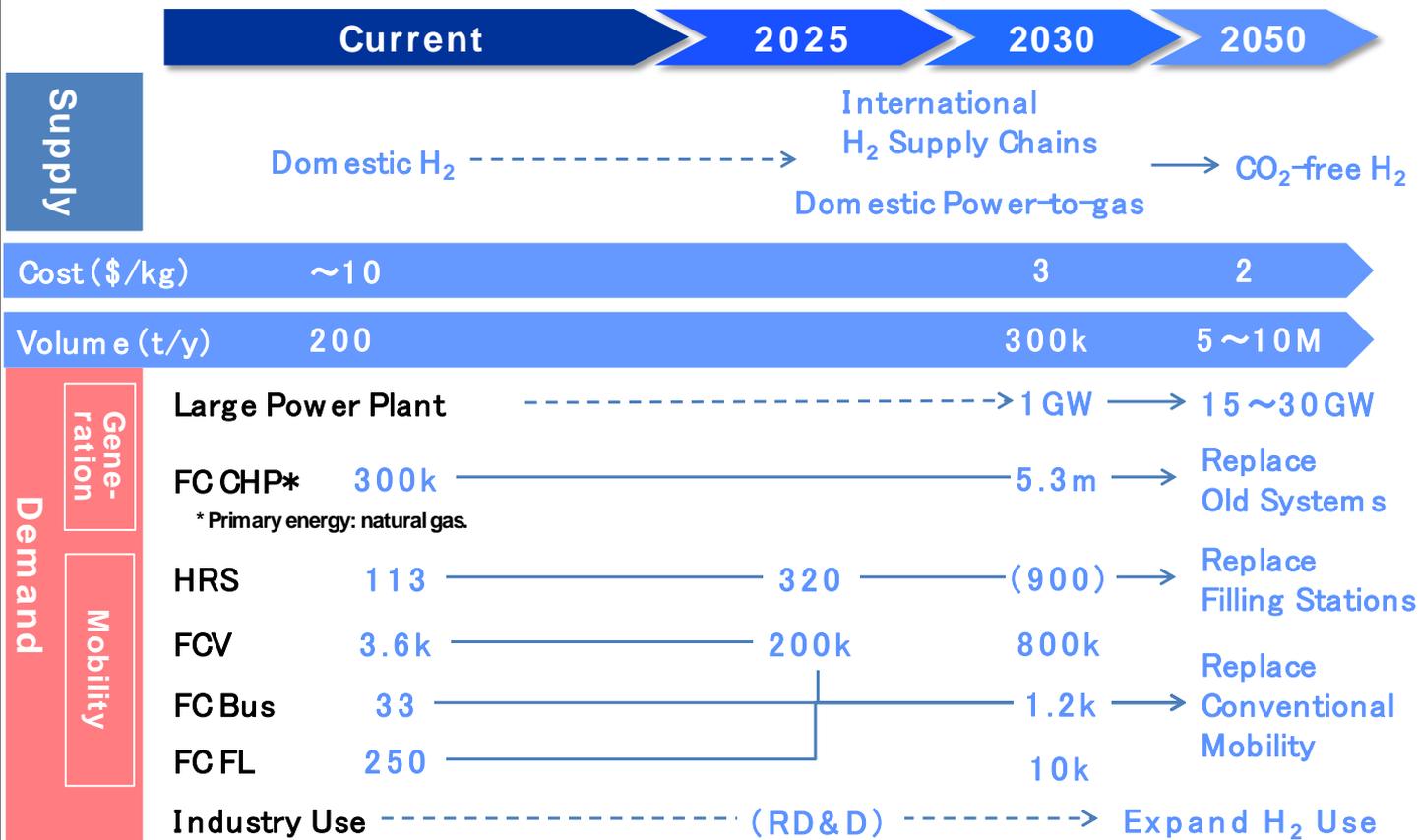
## Basic Hydrogen Strategy (Prime Minister Abe's Initiative)

- First comprehensive national strategy
- H<sub>2</sub> as a future energy option toward 2050
- Detailed strategy with numerical targets  
(\$3/kg by 2030 ⇒ \$2/kg by 2050)

## Strategic Roadmap for Hydrogen and Fuel Cells

## Hydrogen and Fuel Cells Technology Development Strategy

# Numerical targets toward hydrogen society



- Discussed among experts on how to achieve goals in the strategy
  - A set of technical milestones
  - A set of policy actions

✓ **Price difference between FCV and HV:** \$28K → \$6.5K

✓ **Main FCV System cost, FC:** \$190/kW → \$47/kW,

✓ **HRS Construction cost:** \$3.3m → \$1.9m

✓ **HRS Operating cost:** \$320,000/year → \$140,000/year

✓ **Production cost from brown coal gasification:**

several dollars/Nm<sup>3</sup> → \$0.1/Nm<sup>3</sup>

✓ **Electrolyzer Cost:** \$1900/kW → \$470/kW

# The Strategic Road Map for Hydrogen and Fuel Cells ~ Industry-academia-government action plan to realize Hydrogen Society ~ ( overall)

- In order to achieve goals set in the Basic Hydrogen Strategy,

① **Set of new targets to achieve (Specs for basic technologies and cost breakdown goals), establish approach to achieving target**

② **Establish expert committee to evaluate and conduct follow-up for each field.**

		Goals in the Basic Hydrogen Strategy	Set of targets to achieve	Approach to achieving target
Use	Mobility	FCV 200k by 2025 800k by 2030	<p><u>2025</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Price difference between FCV and HV (¥3m → ¥0.7m)</li> <li>● Cost of main FCV system (FC ¥20k/kW → ¥5k/kW Hydrogen Storage ¥0.7m → ¥0.3m)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Regulatory reform and developing technology</li> </ul>
		HRS 320 by 2025 900 by 2030	<p><u>2025</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Construction and operating costs (Construction cost ¥350m → ¥200m Operating cost ¥34m → ¥15m)</li> <li>● Costs of components for HRS (Compressor ¥90m → ¥50m Accumulator ¥50m → ¥10m)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Consideration for creating nation wide network of HRS</li> <li>● Extending hours of operation</li> </ul>
		Bus 1,200 by 2030	<p><u>Early 2020s</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Vehicle cost of FC bus (¥105m → ¥52.5m)</li> </ul> <p>※In addition, promote development of guidelines and technology development for expansion of hydrogen use in the field of FC trucks, ships and trains.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Increasing HRS for FC bus</li> </ul>
	Power	Commercialize by 2030	<p><u>2020</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Efficiency of hydrogen power generation (26%→27%) ※1MW scale</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Developing of high efficiency combustor etc.</li> </ul>
	FC	Early realization of grid parity	<p><u>2025</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Realization of grid parity in commercial and industrial use</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Developing FC cell/stack technology</li> </ul>
Supply	Fossil Fuel + CCS	Hydrogen Cost ¥30/Nm <sup>3</sup> by 2030 ¥20/Nm <sup>3</sup> in future	<p><u>Early 2020s</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Production: Production cost from brown coal gasification ( ¥several hundred/Nm<sup>3</sup>→ ¥12/Nm<sup>3</sup> )</li> <li>● Storage/Transport : Scale-up of Liquefied hydrogen tank ( thousands m<sup>3</sup>→50,000 m<sup>3</sup> ) Higher efficiency of Liquefaction ( 13.6kWh/kg→6kWh/kg )</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Scaling-up and improving efficiency of brown coal gasifier</li> <li>● Scaling-up and improving thermal insulation properties</li> </ul>
	Green H <sub>2</sub>	System cost of water electrolysis ¥50,000/kW in future	<p><u>2030</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Cost of electrolyzer ( ¥200,000m/kW →¥50,000/kW )</li> <li>● Efficiency of water ( 5kWh/Nm<sup>3</sup>→4.3kWh/Nm<sup>3</sup> ) electrolysis</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Demonstration in model regions for social deployment utilizing the achievement in the demonstration of Namie, Fukushima</li> <li>● Development of electrolyzer with higher efficiency and durability</li> </ul>

# Policies to Realize a “Hydrogen Society”①

## Production

Transportation and supply  
(supply chain)

## Use



Power-to-Gas Plant



Gasification from  
Brown Coal + CCS

- Produce hydrogen from unused, affordable resources, such as brown coal and renewable energy
  - ✓ A demonstration project in Fukushima (10M electrolyzer with 20M solar PV)
  - ✓ Demonstration projects overseas in Australia and Brunei

natural gas

# Policies to Realize a “Hydrogen Society”②

Production

Transportation and supply  
(supply chain)

Use



Hydrogen station



Liquefied hydrogen  
carrier ship

MCH plant



- Promote deployment of hydrogen stations (113 stations)
- Promote regulatory reforms to allow unmanned H2 stations and lower operation cost
- The world's first international hydrogen supply chain project, with the LH2 carrier ship launched in December 2019

# Policies to Realize a “Hydrogen Society”③

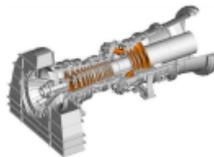
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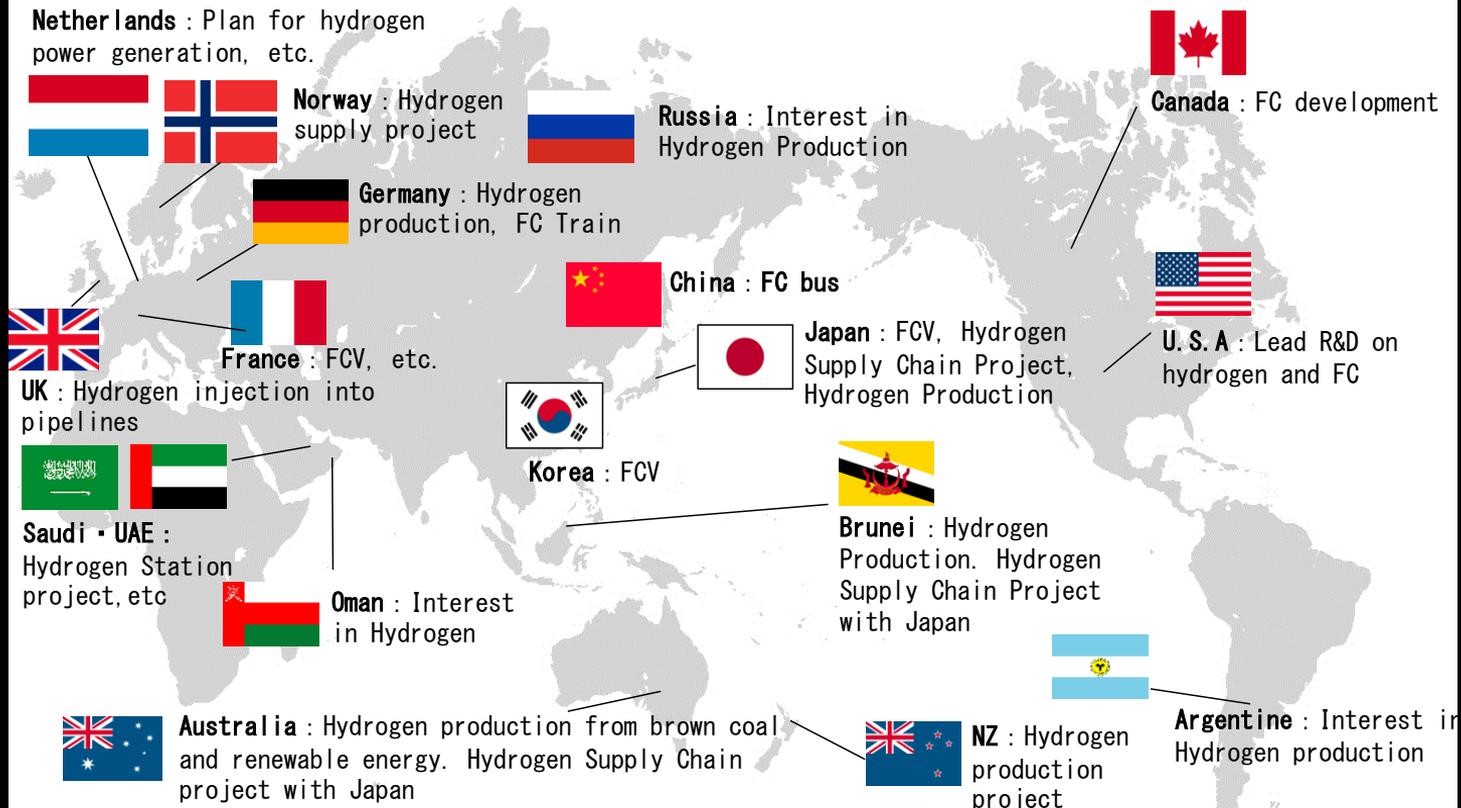
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- Promote deployment of hydrogen technologies in a variety of sectors
  - ✓ Fuel cell vehicles (FCV, FC bus, etc.)
  - ✓ Combined heat and power supply using hydrogen-powered cogeneration
  - ✓ Feasibility study and R&D for hydrogen power generation
  - ✓ R&D to use hydrogen in steel making process

H<sub>2</sub> Co-generation Demonstration Project

# Growing momentum of hydrogen and fuel cells around the world



## Multi-lateral initiatives on hydrogen



# G20 Ministerial Meeting on Energy Transitions and Global Environment for Sustainable growth

## G20 Communiqué (excerpt)

The G20 Energy Ministers will step up existing international efforts to **unlock the potential of hydrogen as a clean, reliable and secure source of energy including cooperation in research and development, evaluating hydrogen's technical and economic potential, cost reduction pathways and addressing the various challenges including regulations and standards.**



## G20 Karuizawa Innovation Action Plan (excerpt)

<Hydrogen and other synthetic fuels>

We support the acceleration of our work that will lead to concrete actions which were summarized in the chair's summary at Hydrogen Energy Ministerial Meeting (HEM) 2018, including exchange of best practices, international joint research, evaluation of hydrogen's potential, e.g. for power to x, outreach and addressing regulatory barriers, codes and standards. We promote further international cooperation and discuss concrete actions through frameworks such as HEM 2019 (autumn), the Clean Energy Ministerial (CEM), Mission Innovation (MI) and the International Partnership for Hydrogen and Fuel Cells in the Economy (IPHE), and ask relevant international and regional organizations such as the IEA, IRENA and the ERIA to develop the analysis of potential pathways to a hydrogen-enabled clean energy future, including the use of methanol and ethanol as hydrogen carriers in fuel cells. We note that hydrogen as well as other synthetic fuels can play a major role in the clean energy future with a view to long-term strategies.

# Hydrogen Energy Ministerial Meeting

## 2018

**21** countries, region and organizations

**300** attendees



## TOKYO STATEMENT

- Harmonization of Regulation, Codes and Standards
- Joint Research and Development
- Study and Evaluation of Hydrogen's Potential
- Education & Outreach

## 2019

**35** countries, region and organizations

**600** attendees



## GLOBAL ACTION AGENDA



**The 3<sup>rd</sup> Meeting will be held in Tokyo on Oct 12nd and 13rd**

## ■ Mobility

- Sharing aspirational goals such as “10 million hydrogen powered systems” and “10 thousand Hydrogen Refueling Stations (HRS)” in 10 years (“Ten, Ten, Ten”)

## ■ Hydrogen Supply Chains

- R&D and Sharing Information
- Promote investment

## ■ Sector Integration

- Expand the use of hydrogen in various sectors

## ■ Study and Evaluation of Hydrogen’s Potential

- Further analysis and study by IEA, IRENA, ERIA

## ■ Communication, Education and Outreach

- Disseminate information
- Conduct campaign



## Peter Fraser

*Head of Division for Gas, Coal and Power markets, International Energy Agency*

Peter Fraser rejoined the International Energy Agency in December 2016 as Head of the Gas, Coal and Power Markets Division. This is his second sojourn with the IEA, having been a Senior Electricity Policy Advisor there from 1998-2004. Trained in astrophysics, Peter has spent most of his career in energy policy in Canada.



# Carbon, Uranium, Hydrogen

Some insights on relative economics from The Future of Hydrogen study

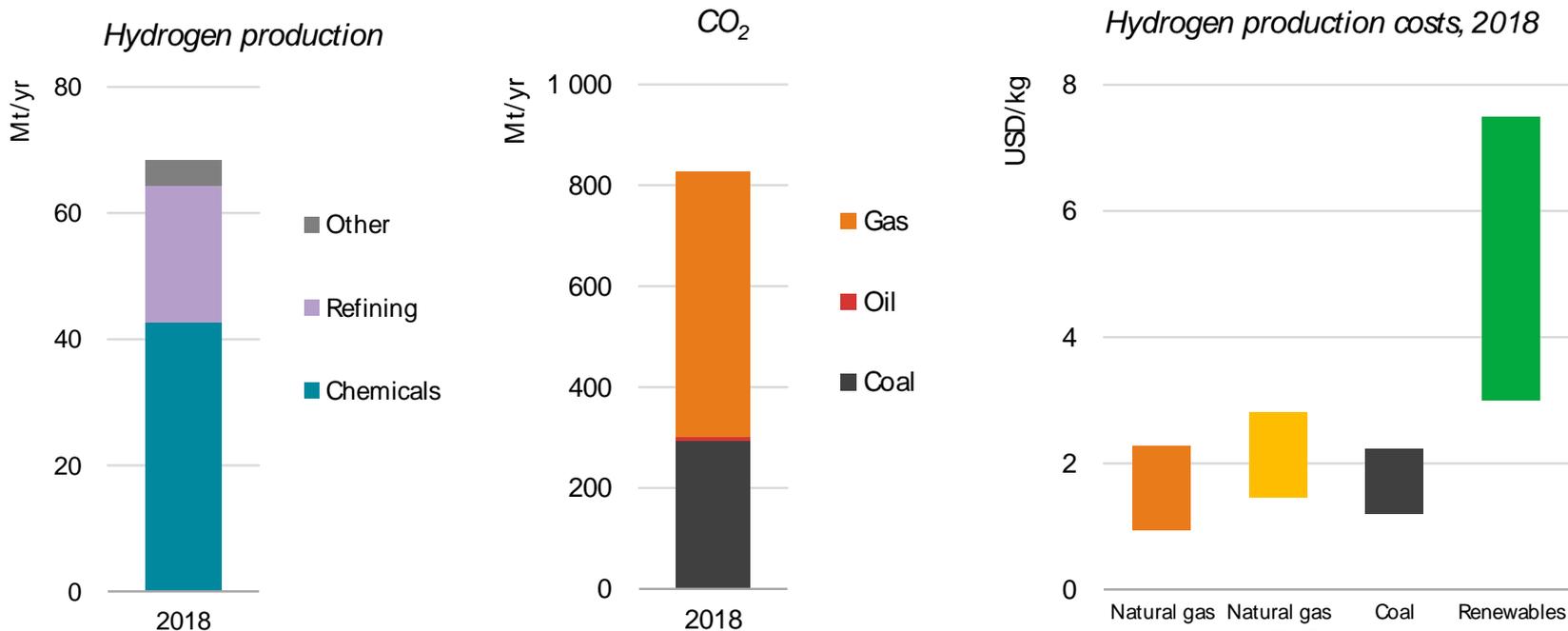
NICE Future Webinar, 18 March 2020

# Hydrogen – A common *element* of our energy future?

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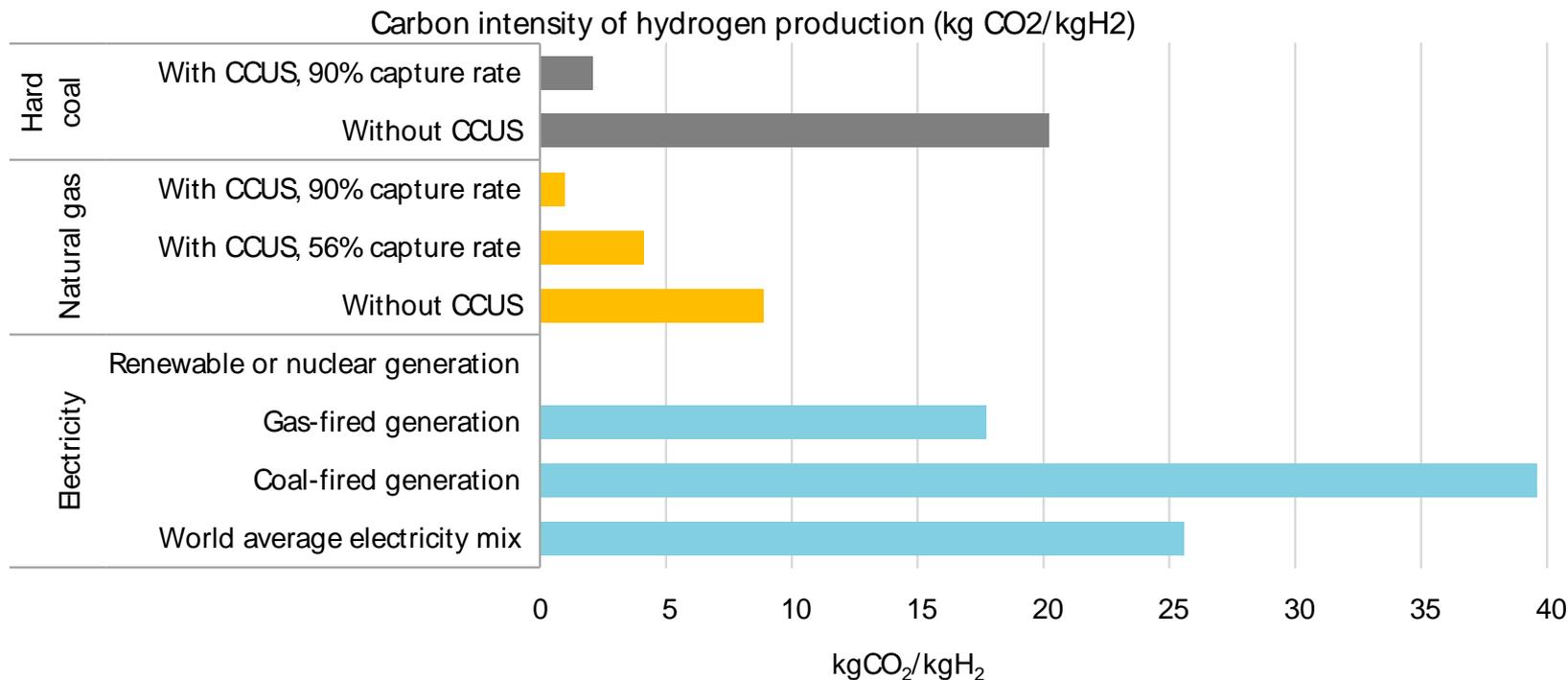
- Momentum currently behind hydrogen is unprecedented, with more and more policies, projects and plans by governments & companies in all parts of the world
- Hydrogen can help overcome many difficult energy challenges
  - ***Integrate more renewables***, including by enhancing storage options & tapping their full potential
  - ***Decarbonise hard-to-abate sectors*** such as steel, chemicals, trucks, ships & planes
  - ***Enhance energy security*** by diversifying the fuel mix & providing flexibility to balance grids
- But there are challenges: ***costs*** need to fall; ***infrastructure*** needs to be developed; ***cleaner hydrogen*** is needed; and ***regulatory barriers*** persist

# Hydrogen is already part of the energy mix



Dedicated hydrogen production is concentrated in very few sectors today, using fossil fuels and responsible for 2.4% of global energy-related CO<sub>2</sub>. If replaced by electrolysis would require 3600 TWh of electricity and 617 Mm<sup>3</sup> of water.

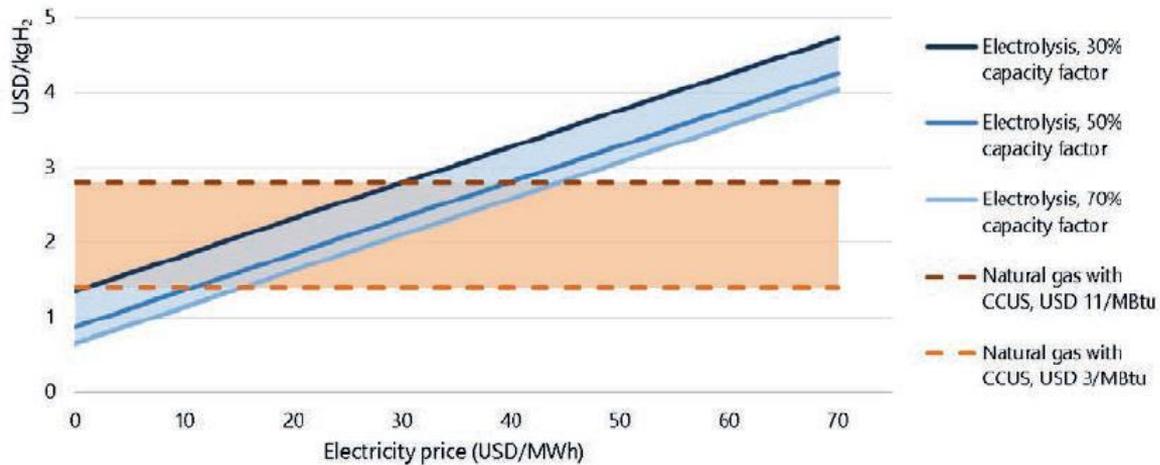
# Low carbon hydrogen production



While electrolysis with low carbon electricity is lowest, gas/coal with CCUS has relatively moderate emissions intensity.

# Producing low carbon hydrogen – gas vs. electricity

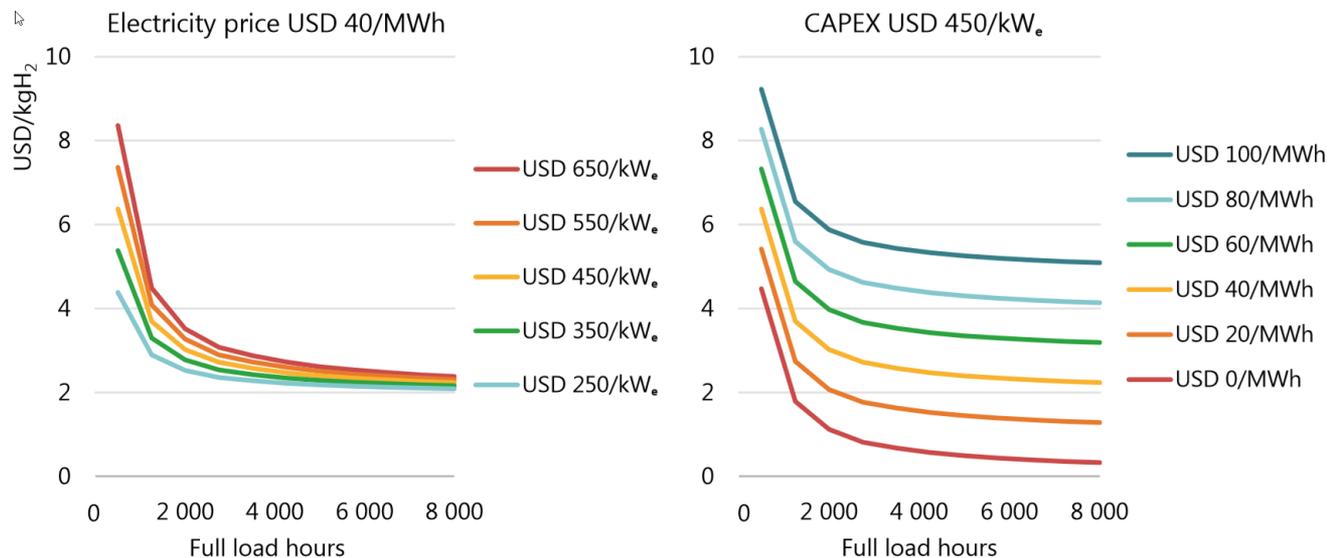
Comparison of natural gas (steam reforming) with CCS and electrolysis (USD 450/kW)



Electricity prices below USD 40/MWh are needed to be competitive with SMR/CCS

# Price of electricity dominates electrolyser economics

Cost of hydrogen as a function of electrolyser CAPEX (left) and electricity price (right)

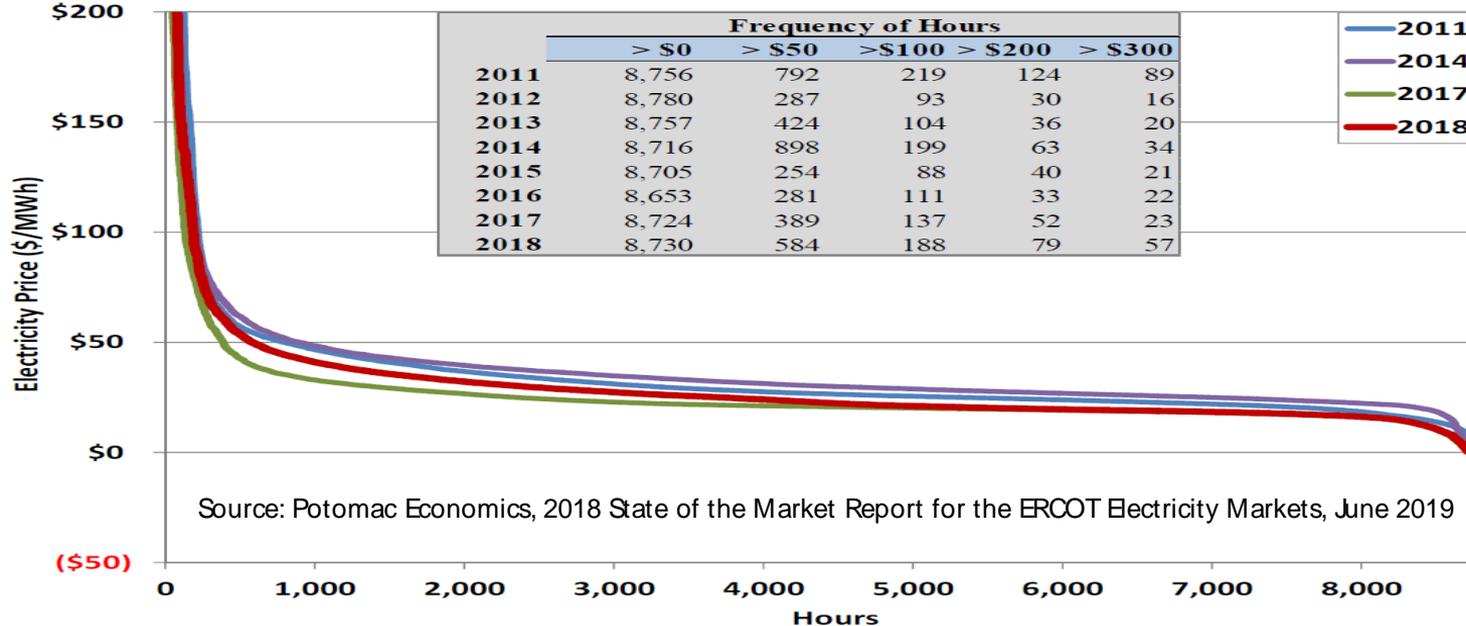


Electrolyser capital costs are already low enough that moderate load factors are sufficient

# Many markets have cheap electricity available

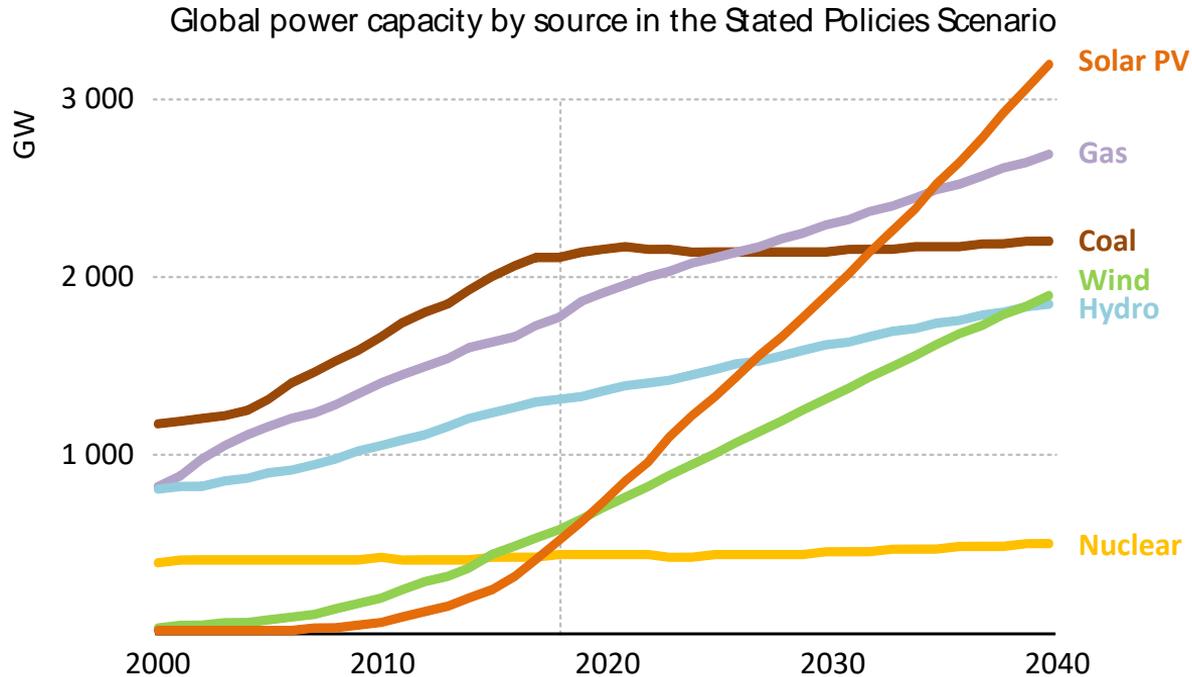
ERCOT Price Duration Curves (2011, 2014, 2017, 2018)

**Figure 8: ERCOT Price Duration Curve**



Wholesale market prices have been low in several markets creating incentives to use electricity e.g., by diverting supply from an existing nuclear power plant

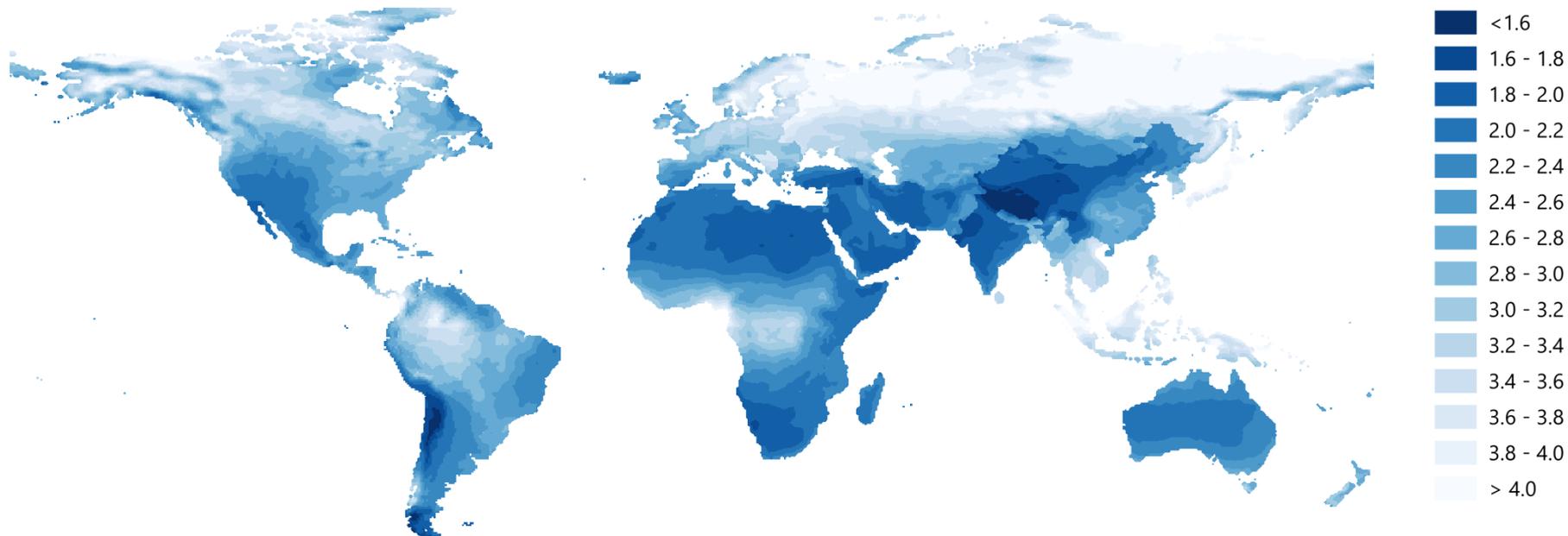
# Solar and wind will provide most of the new capacity



The growth in solar and wind in many markets will create more low price hours.

# Wind + Solar hydrogen costs are set to decline

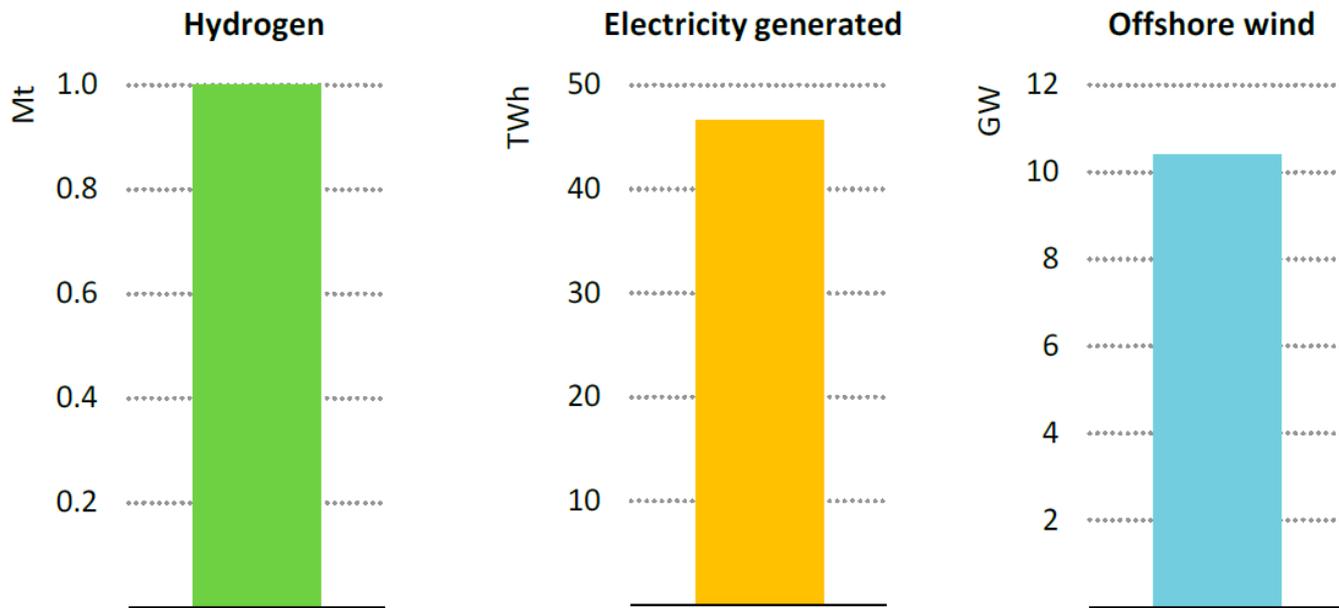
*Long-term hydrogen production costs from solar & wind systems*



Best resources may not be near the main demand centres; necessitating transportation

# Offshore wind may also become an attractive approach

Offshore wind capacity and electricity required to produce 1 Mt of hydrogen



A feasibility study for the NorthH2 project in the Netherlands has been announced

# Some concluding thoughts

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1. Hydrogen is already an important chemical with great potential as a low carbon energy carrier
2. Hydrogen production can be decarbonised by using low carbon electricity for electrolysis
3. The cost of the electricity (below USD 40/MWh) is more important than the cost of the electrolyser meaning midload operation is a "sweet spot".
4. Grid electricity can be cheaper than this with intriguing possibilities for offshore wind or wind/solar combinations.

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# Question & Answer



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