

# Development of Business Cases for Fuel Cells and Hydrogen Applications for Regions and Cities

FCH Port operations equip.





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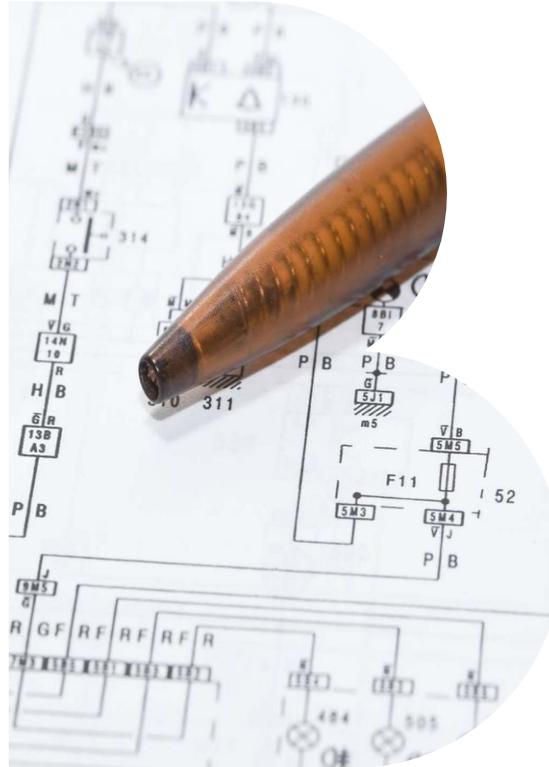
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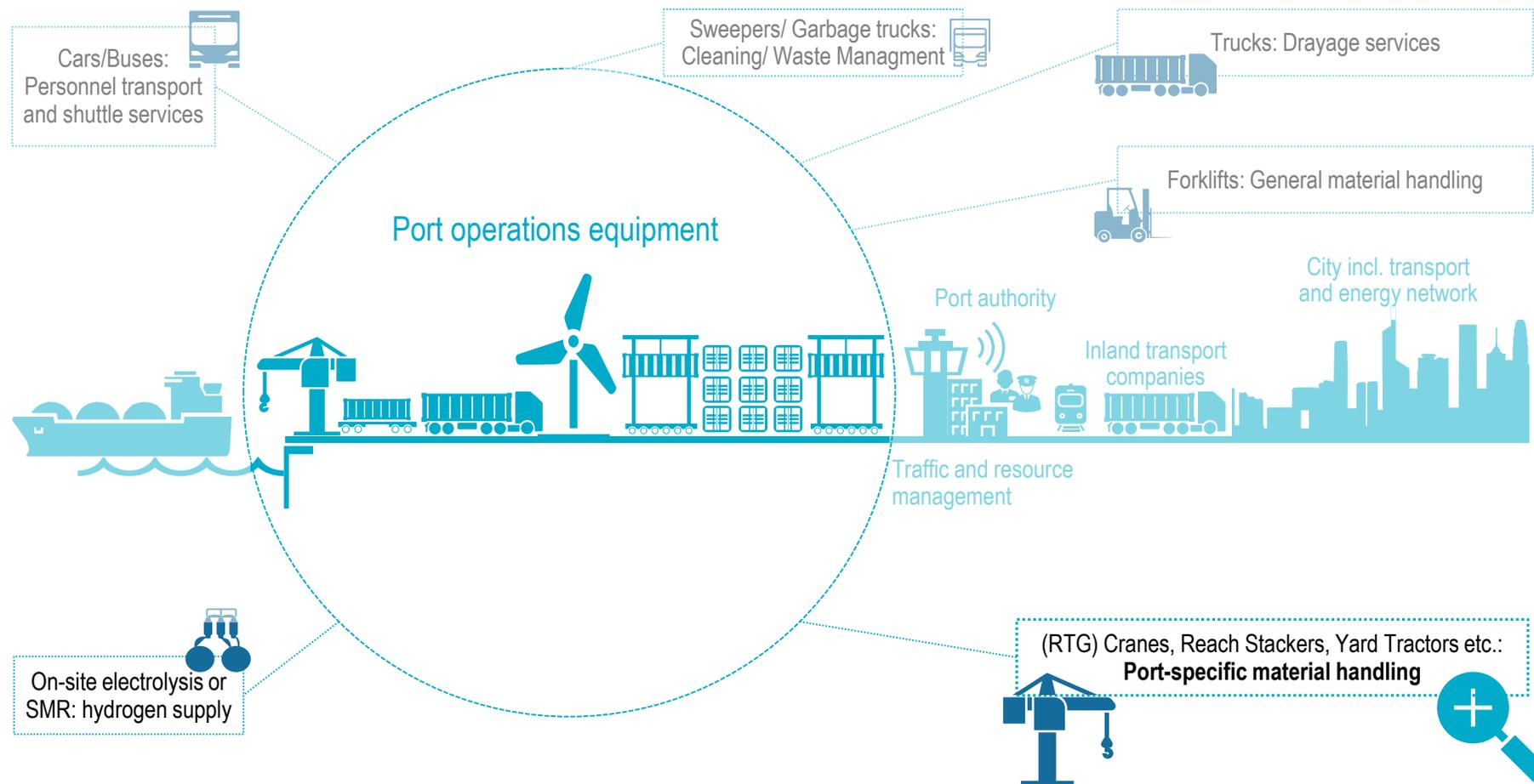
# A. Technology Introduction



# Port operations require numerous types of equipment – some applications have been already covered in other Working Groups

## Fuel cell powered port operations equipment (selection)

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# Port operations equipment today is offered on a diesel, (battery) electric or hybrid basis - FCH appl. not yet commercially available

## Fuel cell powered port operations equipment (selection)

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### RTG Cranes

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### Reach Stackers

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### Yard Tractors

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# Various port operators tackle emission reduction goals via demos of FCH equipment – so far mainly with non-port-specific applications

## Fuel cell powered port operations equipment

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**Overall technological readiness:** Application overall at prototype or even still concept stage, to be demonstrated in relevant environment over the coming months and years; however some equipment (e.g. forklifts) more advanced than other



### Demonstration projects / deployment examples (selection)

Project	Country	Start	Scope	Project volume
Project Portal		2017	Proof of concept with a Toyota heavy-duty truck for drayage operations at the Ports of Los Angeles and Long Beach. The truck fuel cell system, powered by two Mirai fuel cell stacks and a 12kWh battery, is capable of supporting port drayage operations. It will operate to support class 8 load operations, generating more than 670 horsepower and 1,800 Nm torque, with an estimated driving range of about 320 km per fill	n.a.
Surf 'n' Turf		2016	Surplus generated by onshore wind on the Orkney Islands is converted into hydrogen by a 500 kW electrolyser and shipped to the port of Kirkwall where – among others – a fuel cell is used to supply electricity to ships while docked	n.a.
Demo2013		2011	Vuosaari Harbour at the Port of Helsinki demonstrates FC applications in a variety of port applications (stationary FCs as well as FCs for material handling equipment) e.g. Wärtsilä 50kW SOFC, Hydrocell portable FC, metal hydride storage for boats, H <sub>2</sub> refuelling station by Woikoski Oy. Project partners: Federation of Finnish Technology Industries and the Port of Helsinki	n.a.

\*) Technology Readiness Level  ≤ 5  6-7  8-9

# Significant decrease of emissions and very low noise pollution as major benefits – especially for inner-city harbours

## Fuel cell powered port operations equipment

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### Use case characteristics

#### Stakeholders involved



- > Municipality-owned and/or private port operators and logistics companies
- > Port authorities
- > OEMs

#### Demand and user profile



- > 24/7 operation requiring fast refuelling time
- > Range, performance and refuelling service offerings ideally similar to conventional port operations equipment, in order that no operational changes are needed

#### Deployment requirements



- > Hydrogen storage and refuelling infrastructure
- > High safety standards for hydrogen storage and transportation

#### Key other aspects



- > Possibility of coupling with on-site electrolysis from solar or wind

### Benefit potential for regions and cities

#### Environmental



- > Zero local emissions (CO<sub>2</sub>, pollutants, fine dust particles)
- > Depending on the production type of hydrogen, down to zero well-to-wheel emissions
- > Significantly reduced noise level, therefore especially beneficial to inner-city harbours

#### Social



- > Increased public acceptance of commercial harbours, especially in cities
- > Ultimately thanks to low/zero emission footprint and low noise pollution: higher standard of living in areas near the harbour
- > Improved working conditions for harbour workers

#### Economic



- > Depending on the development of oil prices, CAPEX reduction and cost of hydrogen – lower TCO in the long run than diesel-fuelled port operations equipment
- > As ports comprise an entire ecosystem, it is easier to generate a critical mass of hydrogen vehicles and applications for efficient and cost-effective hydrogen supply

#### Other



- > Depending on the production type of hydrogen, reduction of dependency on fossil fuels or energy imports

# Ports have to offer demo cases, industry has to define products and develop prototypes for port-specific FCH applications

## Fuel cell powered port operations equipment

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### Hot topics / critical issues / key challenges:

- > **Technological readiness and system/product definition** (until now, only proof of concepts and prototype demonstration projects in operation – and hardly any for port-specific applications e.g. in port-specific material handling; very specific operational requirements regarding the various potential use cases of fuel cells for port operation equipment)
- > **Product cost** (capital expenditures expected to be significantly higher than for equipment powered by diesel; business case highly dependent on fuel prices with port operators requiring a positive return on investment)
- > **Hydrogen infrastructure** (availability of distribution logistics, local storage and refuelling stations must be ensured; adequate location inside or outside the harbour must be found)
- > **Environmental sustainability** (well-to-wheel emissions largely depend on resources used in hydrogen production)
- > **Regulation** (unresolved regulatory issues such as certification of the equipment; emergency protocols; permitting of hydrogen use)
- > **Training of workers** (usage as well as storage of hydrogen; behaviour in case of emergencies)

### Further recommended reading:



- > Fuel Cells 2000: Port of the Future  
[www.hfcarchive.org/fuelcells/uploads/Port-of-the-Future.pdf](http://www.hfcarchive.org/fuelcells/uploads/Port-of-the-Future.pdf)
- > FCH2 JU 2017 Workshop on Maritime and port applications  
<http://www.fch.europa.eu/event/workshop-maritime-and-port-applications>

### Key contacts in the coalition:



*Please refer to working group clustering in stakeholder list on the share folder*

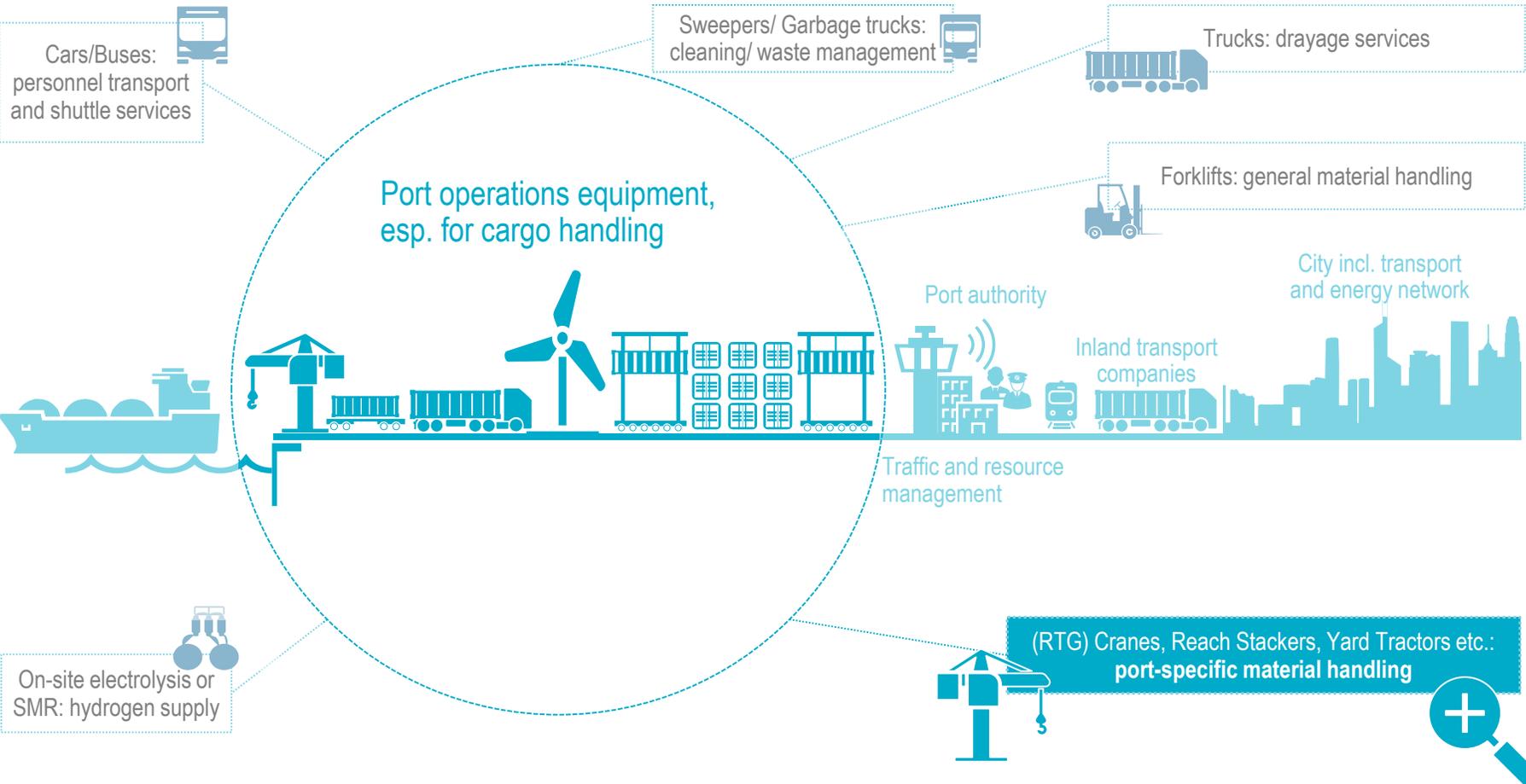
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## B. Preliminary Business Case



# Port operations are a complex ecosystem requiring multiple types of equipment – Manifold potential for FCH applications

## Port operations ecosystem and FCH opportunities (selection)



# RTG Cranes, Reach Stackers and Yard Tractors are the most important specific port operations equipment in this ecosystem

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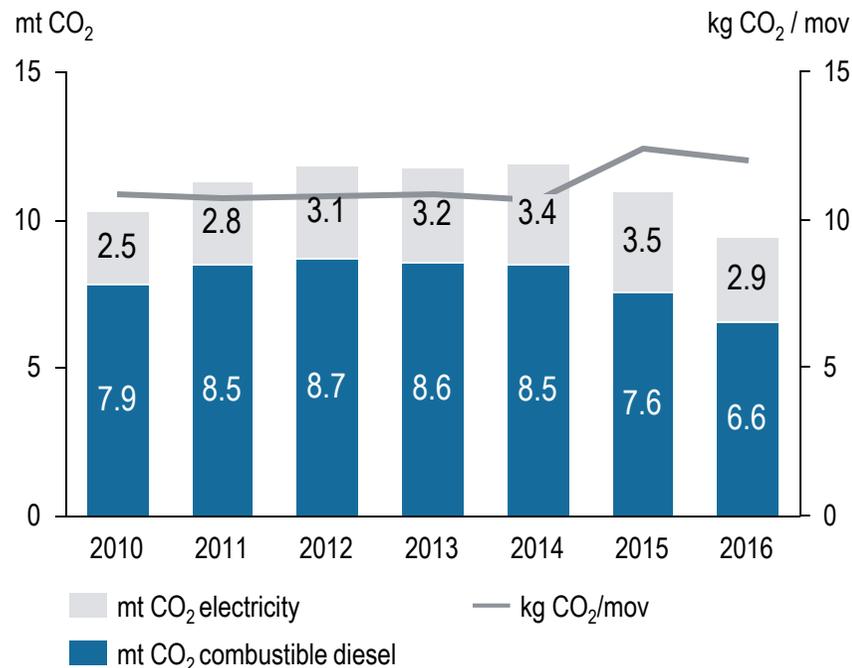
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# Collectively, they cause high CO<sub>2</sub> and noise emissions – the majority of emissions can be attributed to diesel-powered RTGs

## Context and use case of a typical port operations terminal – EXEMPLARY

On-shore port operations are an important source of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions for port cities



- > **CO<sub>2</sub> emissions of ports** can be attributed to electric and fuel powered applications<sup>1</sup>
  - **Fuel-powered yard machinery** (i.e. mainly diesel): RTGs (~60%), yard tractors (~35%), reach stackers and empty forklifts (~5%)
  - **Electric consumption:** Container reefers (~40%), STS cranes (~40%), yard lighting (~15%) and offices (~5%)
- > In a **360,000 m<sup>2</sup> port terminal** with ca. 780,000 ship moves and 1.2 m TEUs, the collective energy demand causes **9.5 mt of CO<sub>2</sub>** emissions per year, the equivalent of approx. 4,500 compact cars in 1 year
- > Additionally, the **24/7 nonstop operating system** of ports negatively affects local residents due to **noise and pollutant emissions** like NO<sub>x</sub>

1) Percentages based on 2012 data provided by 'Port of Valencia'

# Alternative energy supply technologies are available – Electric solutions and alternative fuels have great potential

## Benchmarking of non-diesel options for port op's equipment – SELECTION

	1 Battery electric	2 Electric conductor bar	3 LNG	4 FCH	
					
<b>Emissions</b>	- <i>Well-to-Wheel</i> - <i>Local</i>	- Dependent on electricity source - Zero	- Dependent on electricity source - Zero	- Moderate, lower than diesel - Low-moderate	- Zero, if green hydrogen is used - Zero
<b>Technological readiness</b>	Only diesel/battery hybrids commercially viable	Demonstration stage	Commercially available, early deployments ongoing	Development stage	
<b>In-port fuel availability</b>	Available - Sufficient power supply might be problematic	Available – Sufficient power supply might be problematic	Increasingly available – LNG will likely be increasingly used to fuel ship engines in the future	Limited availability of hydrogen so far, regulatory requirements <i>TBD</i>	
<b>Infrastructure requirements</b>	Multiple charging stations with associated space, grid and supply requirements	Expensive conductor bar network, grid and supply infrastructure	Refuelling stations attachable to the LNG ship refuelling system	Refuelling station and hydrogen supply solutions (pipelines/storage)	
<b>Fit with operational requirements</b>	Long charging times are potentially challenging 24h (i.e. 24/7) port operations	Due to limited operational flexibility of conductor bar, hybrid vehicles with additional diesel engines might be necessary	Short refuelling times, 24h availability and flexibility provide a fit with operational requirements – albeit stick with emissions	Short refuelling times, long ranges, 24h availability and flexibility provide a good general fit with operational requirements	

# FCH solutions can in principle satisfy a port operator's key needs – FCH prototypes and demonstration projects necessary

## Key considerations for port operators in their technology choice – SELECTION

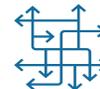
### High availability



#### Brief description

- > **Tight scheduling and expensive delays** require high availability rates
- > **24/7 operating times** of ports minimize opportunities to counterbalance maintenance and downtimes

### High flexibility



- > **Complex container movement and storage strategies** (incl. efficient use of space and resulting constraints to manoeuvre) require port operating equipment with high operational flexibility

### Low / Zero emissions



- > Port cities are increasingly **challenged by emissions**, i.e. **CO<sub>2</sub> and noise**
- > 24/7 port operations can hence **significantly reduce life quality of local residents** within earshot

Strict concern for Total Cost of Ownership (TCO)

Regulation most relevant

#### Opportunities & challenges of FCH applications

- > **Short refuelling times and long ranges** fit port operator's requirements
- > **Lower availabilities** during **prototyping/ pre-commercial phases** can be covered by backup vehicles

- > FC-powered equipment can **move flexible across the port terminal for several hours** (long range), before refuelling is necessary

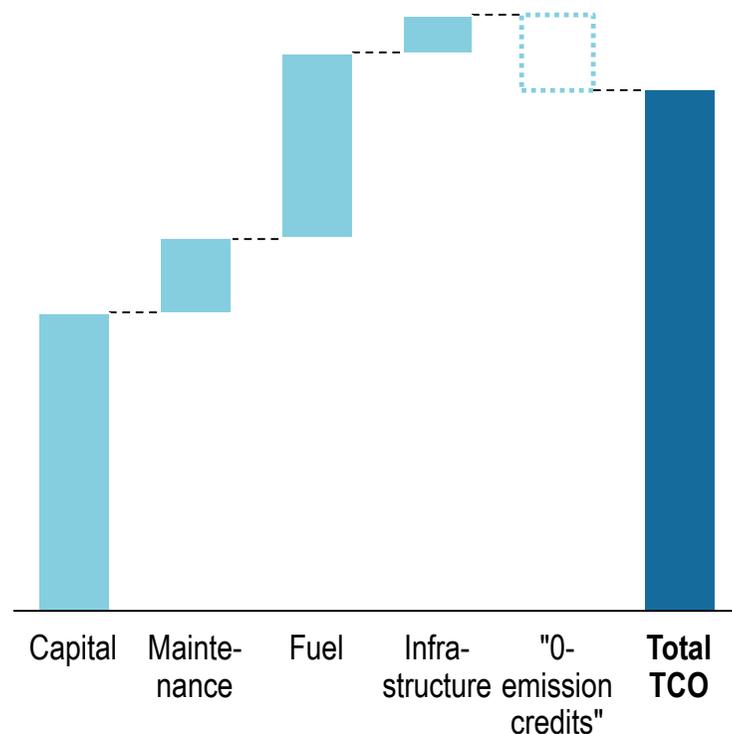
- > FCs **eliminate local emissions** such as CO<sub>2</sub>, NO<sub>x</sub> and noise entirely
- > **Green hydrogen supply** can reduce the carbon footprint to zero

# Total Cost of Ownership for FC port operations have common drivers but will heavily depend on the individual ecosystem

Schematic outline of TCO for FC port operations and their drivers – SIMPLIFIED

## Total Cost of Ownership (TCO)

(e.g. in EUR per TEU)



### Capital cost

- > FC technology (i.e. LT PEM FC 1,900 – 2,300 €/kW)
- > Power range
- > Fuel (& reforming), bunkering
- > Durability / lifetime
- > System integration

### Maintenance cost

- > Spare parts
- > Labour and training
- > Maintenance routine

### Fuel cost – Cost of H2 vs. electricity, diesel, etc.

- > Type of fuel and key input: electricity, natural gas
- > Production and supply
- > System efficiency (up to 60%<sub>el</sub>, >90%<sub>comb</sub>.)
- > Fuel supply volumes and price

### Refuelling infrastructure network costs

- > Allocation of additional investments to cover costs associated with hydrogen supply

### "0-emission credits"

- > Potential future policy measures to promote zero-emissions for privately-operated ports

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