REFHYNE

- Clean Refinery Hydrogen for Europe



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- Call year: 2017
- Call topic: Topic 2.5 Demonstration of large electrolysers for bulk renewable hydrogen production
- Project dates: 01/01/2018 30/06/2024
- % stage of implementation 01/10/2022: 60%
- Total project budget: 20 M€
- Clean Hydrogen Partnership max. contribution: 10 M€
- Other financial contribution: -
- Partners: Shell Deutschland, ITM Power Ltd, Element Energy, Sphera, SINTEF



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Objective

- <u>Deploy and operate a 10MW electrolyser</u> in a Power to Refinery setting.
- <u>Validate the business model</u> for using green hydrogen as input to refineries, as well as providing primary and secondary grid balancing
- Provide <u>input to the policy/regulatory</u> changes needed to underpin the hydrogen market.
- => First of a kind full integration of a MW-sized PEM electrolyser in a refinery (industrial) process plant











- Lack of suitable BoP components
 - Most of the challenges experienced have been related to peripheral/BoP equipment
- Up-scaling of all system elements
- Overall costs
- Communication software integration
- COVID-19 restrictions
- High electricity prices









Lessons Learned

- Mature industry and (relatively) new technology (e.g., industrial/site standards vs. no/few standards)
- Bringing together SME and mature large industry (e.g., work practice and culture)
 - => cooperation with experienced industry on handling huge/complex projects, process development/engineering and hydrogen safety aspects
- Many actors involved
 - (e.g., engineering/design, suppliers, sub-contractors, ...)
 => close cooperation, good and frequent communication
- Additional to technical competence/resources: Legal, permitting, industrial scale procurement, financing









Exploitation Plan/Expected Impact

Exploitation

Activity	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
REFHYNE design and build							
REFHYNE operation					Beyo	ond project	:
Expected revised RED		Expe	cted date				
Mobility sector expansion (expected date for 1,000's of cars, buses, trains)			Indica	ative dates			
Rhineland Refinery H2 expansion plans							
Sales to other refineries	(22)						
Sales to other bulk users and utilities	CD2						
Expansion of bulk electrolyser sales to other hydrogen energy users	(1	Sales ap	proaches	_			
Appetite for project finance	L ⁻ .	otion to fi	nanciers				
Pushing for policy change (European)	FIUII						
Pushing for policy change (member states)							

Impact

- Lessons learned for future project execution, design and manufacturing
- Starting a real market for hydrogen
- Input to development of policies and regulations
- Further large-scale electrolyser projects, e.g., REFHYNE 2 - 100 MW







Communications Activities

- Site visits at Refinery
- High level meetings •
- Presentations at industry ٠ events and conferences
- Organised webinars •
- Project newsletter ٠
- Press releases •
- Twitter account ٠
- **Project Website** ٠



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