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Pre-normative Research

for Safe Use of Liquid Hydrogen



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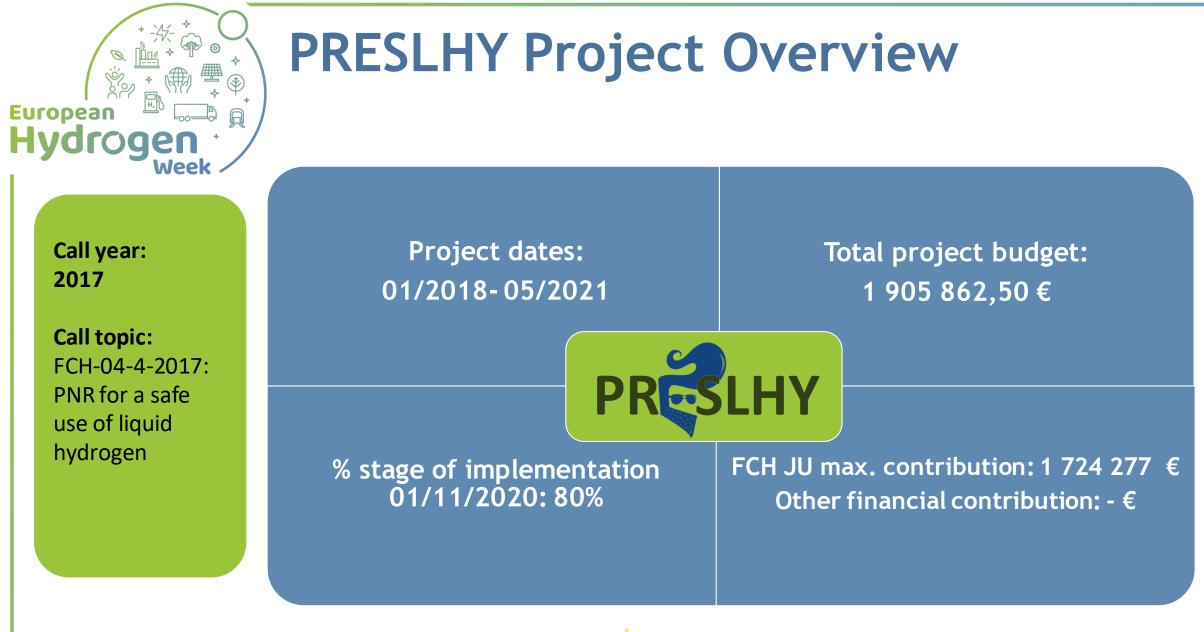
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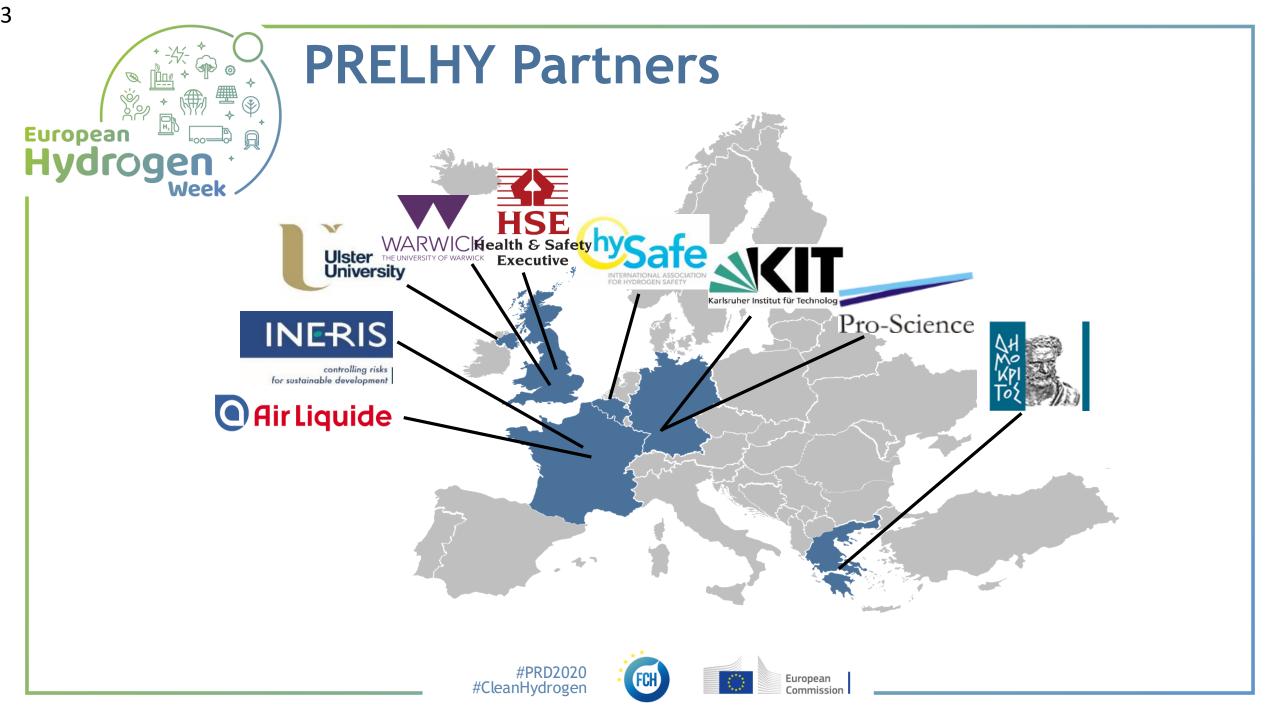














PRESLHY Motivation



- Scale-up of existing and new applications increase H2 demand.
- Liquid hydrogen (LH2) provides larger densities and gains in efficiency and potentially reduces risks compared to compressed gaseous transport and storage
- Many knowledge gaps wrt accidental behavior of LH2 and inconsistent and potentially over-conservative RCS (e.g. NFPA 2 and EIGA)



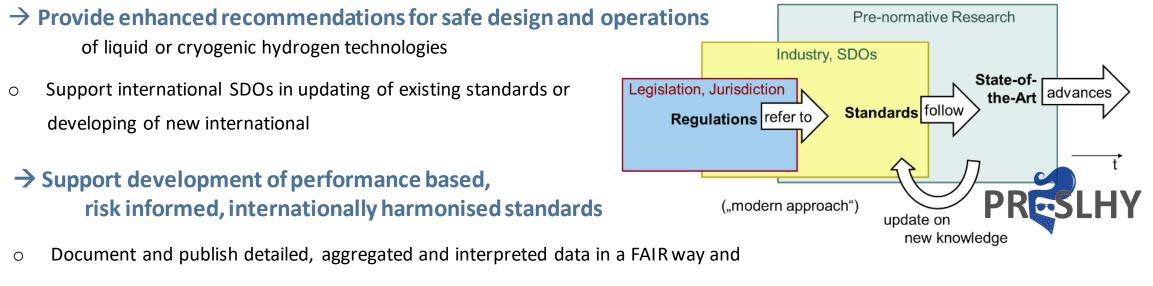


PRESLHY Main Objectives

- Report initial state-of-the-art and knowledge gaps with priorities with respect to the intended use of liquid or cryogenic hydrogen technologies
- Execute adjusted **experimental program** addressing release, ignition and combustion phenomena with highest priorities

→ Close knowledge gaps

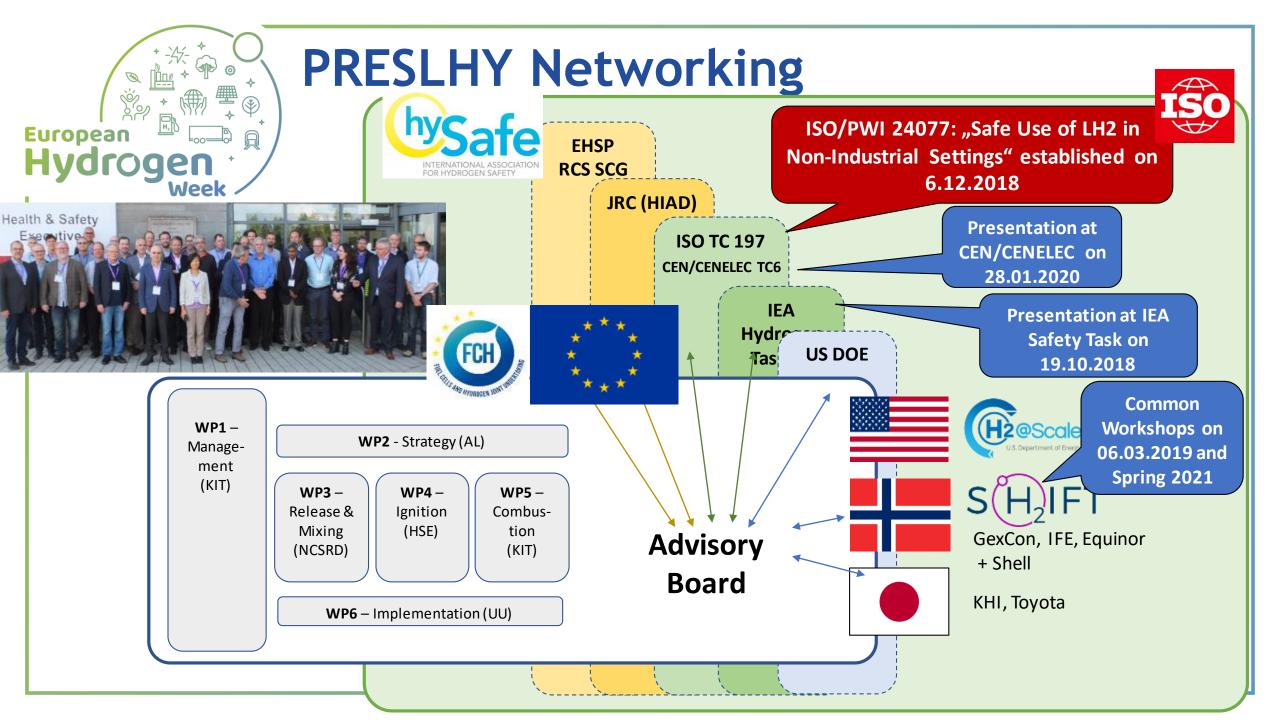
• Develop suitable models and engineering correlations and integrate them in a suitable open risk assessment toolkit

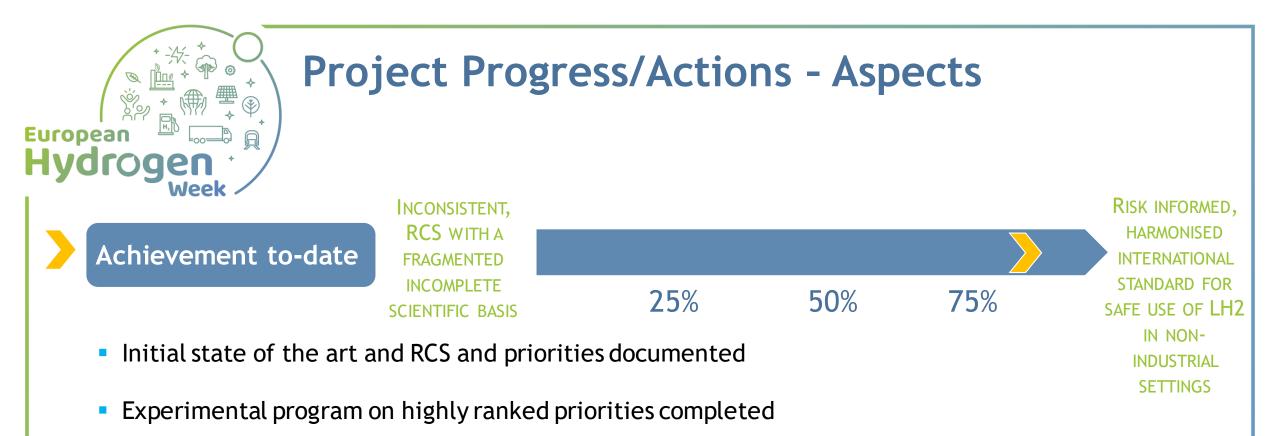


o disseminate the enhanced state-of-the-art









- Knowledge gaps closed with respect to release/mixing, ignition and combustion
- ISO and CEN informed and ISO TC 197 PWI 24077 initiated
- Guidelines to be injected in standardization process under development
- Proposal for NWI

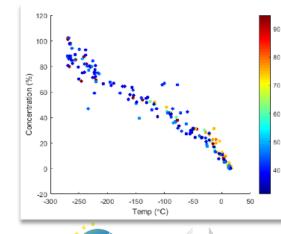


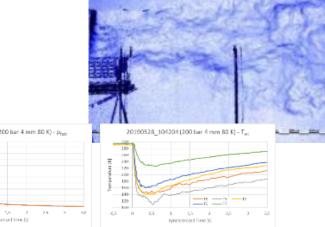
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PRESLHY Closed Knowledge Gaps -Release

- 1 D model for multi-phase release including non-equilibrium processes
- Discharge coefficients for circular nozzles D=0.5-4 mn 5 - 200 bar; 20 - 300K (KIT/PS E3.1 DISCHA tests) see <u>https://doi.org/10.5445/IR/1000096833</u>
- No rainout for large scale above ground horizontal releases (HSE E3.5: rainout tests)
- Correlation of T and concentration of mixtures of H2 with cryogenic origin and air





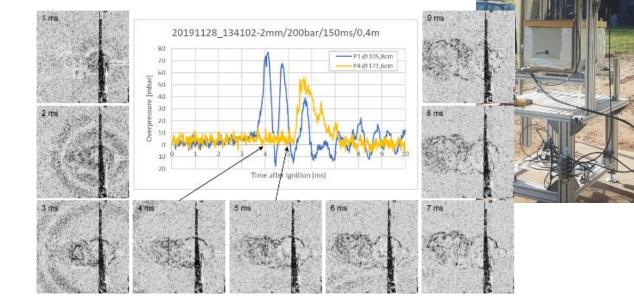


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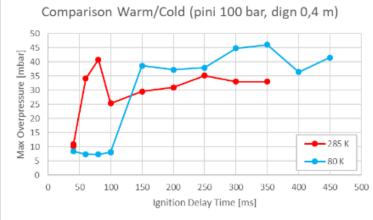


PRECLHY Closed Knowledge Gaps -Transient Combustion Effects



> 100 Ignited jet tests combined with discharge experiments E5.1 T = 80K .. 300K p = 5 .. 200bar D_{nozzle}= 0.5 .. 4mm

Iterative procedure for identifying most critical ignition time and location



- Better understanding of transient jets and combustion processes
- Inventory based map of worst effects (pressure & thermal)
- to be extrapolated to large inventories for RCS

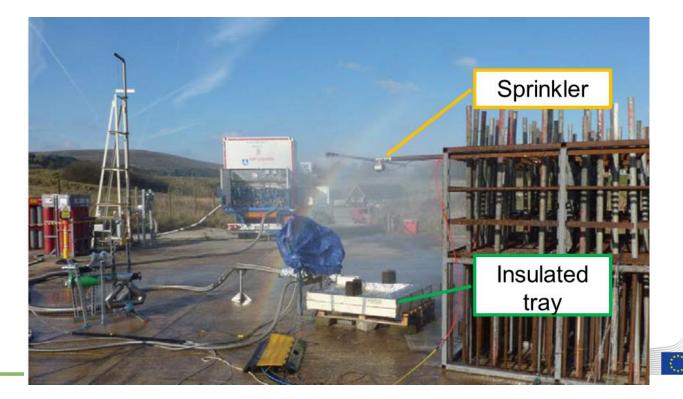






PRESLHY Closed Knowledge Gaps -Multi-phase accumulations with explosion potential

 Repeated spills in gravel bed might generate highly reactive condensed phase mixtures not on other substrates (E4.4 Ignition above pool)





 Water sprays on LH2 and LH2 spills on small water pools non critical (E4.4 and E4.X)

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PRECLHY Closed Knowledge Gaps -Combustion in confined/congested domains

Stronger pressure loads for cold tests in comparison with warm tests with the same volume, hydrogen concentration and blockage ratio



E5.3 Semi-confined channel at KIT/PS



E5.5 Test set-up at HSE, Buxton

- Increase in critical and effective expansion ratios determine flame acceleration in cryogenic mixtures
- Reduced run-up distance for detonation transition DDT in cryogenic mixtures (← density effects)
- Influence of blockage ratio on DDT less pronounced
- Effects in free unconfined domains to be investigated







PRESLHY Exploitation Plan and Expected Impact

Exploitation

- Closure of knowledge gaps
- Enhancing the state-of-the-art
- Developing models for risk assessment
- Deriving recommendations for users and SDOs
- Initiating review or development of standards

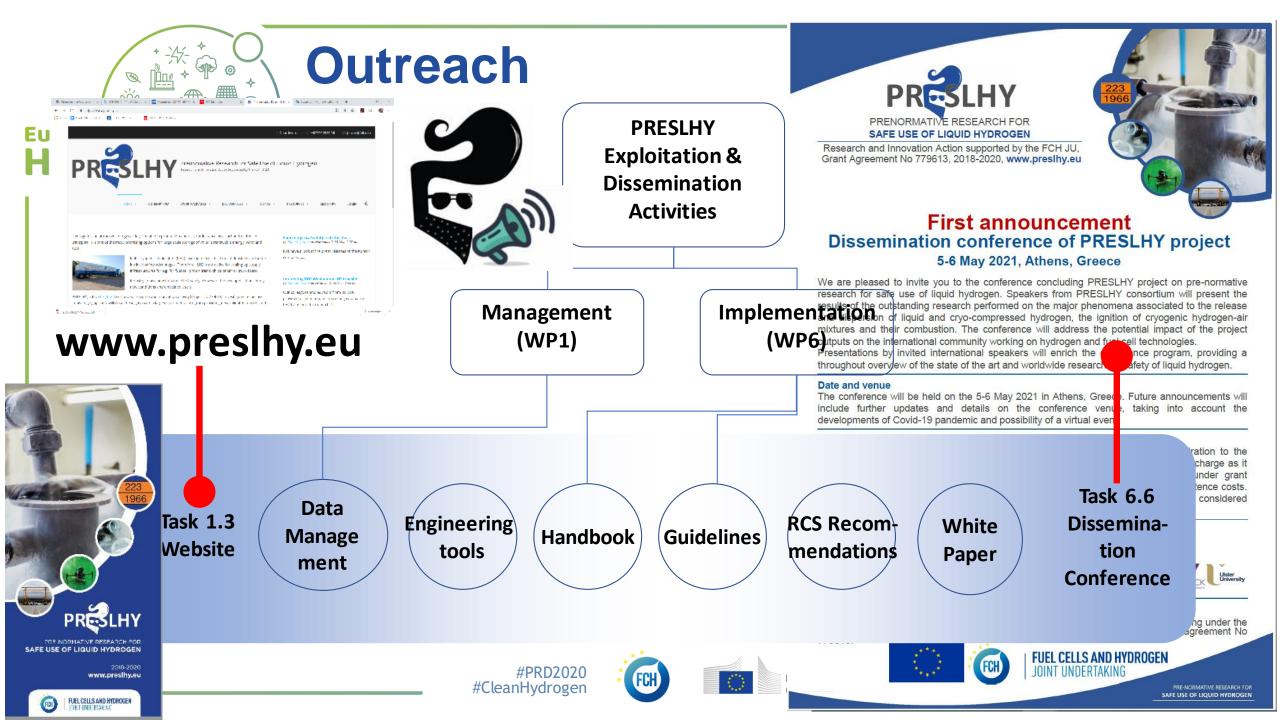
Impact

Enabling the safe and economic introduction of LH2/cryogenic hydrogen technologies with a flexible, but robust framework consisting of

- improved knowledge basis and
- consistent recommendations and
- performance-based, harmonized specific standards to be referred by regulation







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