

The Netherlands Perspective on Clean Hydrogen

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Government of the Netherlands Hydrogen - A common *element* of our energy future?

- Momentum currently behind hydrogen is unprecedented, with more and more policies, projects, and plans by governments and companies in all parts of the world
- Hydrogen can help overcome many difficult energy challenges
 - Integrate more renewables, including by enhancing storage options and tapping their full potential
 - Decarbonise hard-to-abate sectors steel, chemicals, trucks, ships, and planes
 - *Enhance energy security* by diversifying the fuel mix and 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

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Dedicated hydrogen production is concentrated in very few sectors today, and virtually all of it is produced using fossil fuels, as a result of favourable economics.

Hydrogen Production with CO₂ Capture is Coming Online



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Low-carbon hydrogen from fossil fuels is produced at commercial scale today, with more plants planned. It is an opportunity to reduce emissions from refining and industry.

Renewables Hydrogen Costs are Set to Decline

Long-term hydrogen production costs from solar & wind systems USD/kgH₂ <1.6 1.6 - 1.8 1.8 - 2.02.0 - 2.2 2.2 - 2.42.4 - 2.62.6 - 2.8 2.8 - 3.0 3.0 - 3.2 3.2 - 3.4 3.4 - 3.6 3.6 - 3.8 3.8 - 4.0 > 4.0

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The declining costs of solar PV and wind could make them a low-cost source for hydrogen production in regions with favourable resource conditions.



The Challenge to 2030: Expand Hydrogen Beyond Existing Applications

Growth in hydrogen use based on announced policies, 2018-2030



Routes for hydrogen trading with long-term costs compared to domestic production



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Preliminary Priorities R, D&D (work in progress)

• GW scale electrolysis in 2030

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- New applications clean hydrogen in industry in 2030
- Backbone infrastructure clean hydrogen in 2030, incl storage
- Pilots clean hydrogen in built environment 2025
- Flexible power plants on clean hydrogen 2030
- Offshore electrolysis pilots
- Import modalities clean hydrogen
- Participation in IEA, FCH-JU, IPHE, CEM, HEM, Mission Innovation etc.

Four Key Opportunities for Scaling up Hydrogen to 2030

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Full List of Flagship Projects - as of 2019.01.24

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- 1. Centurion Large-Scale Electrolysis Project, UK
- Fukushima Renewable H₂ Project, Japan 2.
- Acorn (Aberdeenshire) Clean H₂ production, 16. Pan-European Fleet of Trucks 3.
- Hydrogen to Magnum (H_2M), Netherlands 4. and Norway
- Northern Lights: CO2 transportation & 5. storage project, Norway
- HyNet Northwest Project, UK 6.
- HyNetherlands Project, Netherlands 7.
- H-Vision Project, Netherlands 8.
- 9. H21 NoE Project, UK
- 10. Liquefied H₂ Supply Chain Project, Japan and Australia
- 11. H2 Mobility Deutschland
- 12. HyNet H₂ Project, South Korea

- 13. JHyM (H₂ Mobility) Flagship Project, Japan
- 14. Hype Taxi Fleet, France & EU
- 15. Zero Emission Valley Project, France
- 17. Fleet of Trucks in California
- 18. FC Train Project, Germany
- 19. Low Cost Carbon Fiber for H₂ Tanks (FORCE), France
- 20. Ene-Farm Flagship Project, Japan
- 21. Green H₂ Production & Conversion to Green Ammoniá, Australia
- 22. Reallabor GreenHydroChem Project, Germany
- 23. HYBRIT fossil-free steel production, Sweden



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Infrastructure Initiatives



Large-scale offshore wind integration beyond 2030

Creating hydrogen backbone through partial conversion of existing natural gas network

Exploring an integrated energy infrastructure including electricity, hydrogen, and methane

European Hydrogen Infrastructure

- Unlock the offshore-onshore wind resources in North Europe
- Unlock the solar and wind resources in South Europe
- Unlock the solar and wind resources in Northern Africa
- Connect to large scale hydrogen storage, e.g. salt caverns
- Supply chemical, petrochemical and steel plants
- Supply electricity balancing plants

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- Supply hydrogen fuelling infrastructure
- Supply regional hydrogen distribution grids











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Key Elements of EU Hydrogen Strategy

- EU Hydrogen strategy in 2020 (priority new EC)
- Ambitious targets for clean hydrogen market: blending in gas grids (10% gas replaced by clean hydrogen in 2030), transport
- Common standards, guarantees of origin (CertifyHY), flexible and hybrid market regulation
- Build strong EU presence in clean hydrogen value chain
- Boost EU clean hydrogen R&D (Mission Innovation)



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Growing International H₂ Momentum

- G20 Energy & Environment Ministerial 15/16 June 2019: 'Ministers will step up existing international efforts to unlock the potential of hydrogen as a clean, reliable and secure source of energy...'. Focus on R&D, cost reduction, regulation & standards.
- EU Energy Council 25 June 2019: 'Calls on the European Commission to undertake an analysis of sector coupling and sector integration technologies, including the production of hydrogen, in particular with regards to regulatory and market barriers and based on this analysis explore possible initiatives regarding the efficient integration and deployment of such technologies and energy carriers'.
- Global Action Agenda Hydrogen Energy Ministerial 25 September 2019: Global aspirational goals, R&D/technology, regulation, codes & standards, supply chains, H₂ trading