

# Opportunities for Power-to-Gas on European level



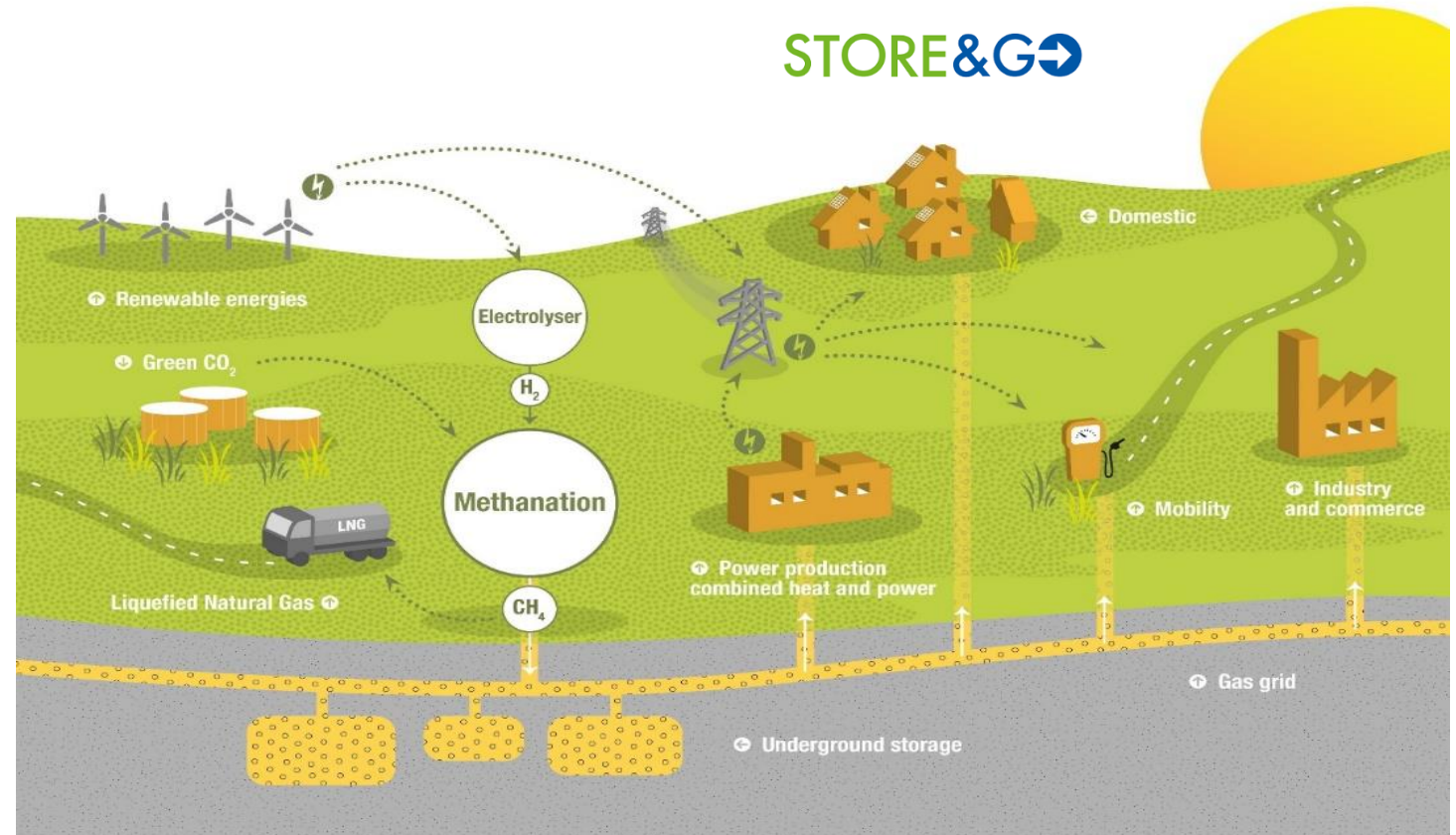
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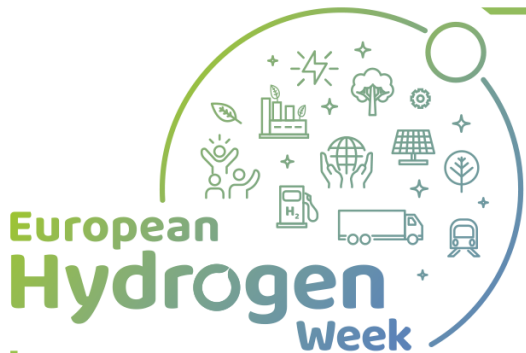
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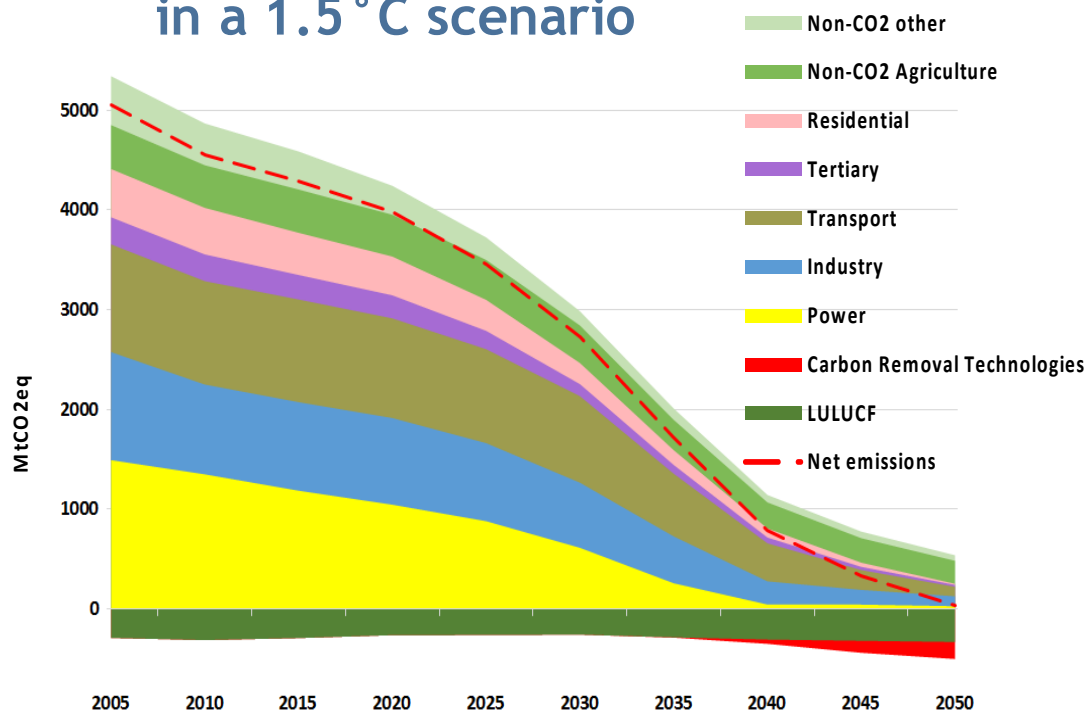
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# Motivation

## EU GHG emissions trajectory in a 1.5 °C scenario



Reaching climate goals requires innovative technologies

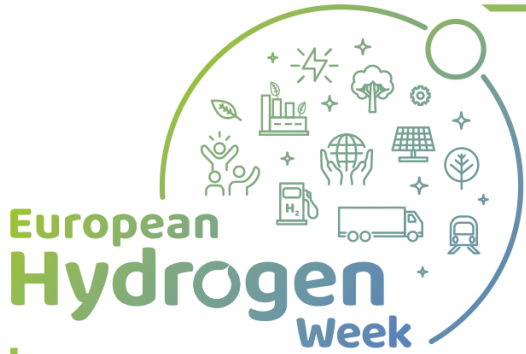
“Green” gas from PtG can be

- used for heating installations
- stored for balancing the energy grid / for providing gas as backup for power generation
- used as clean fuel
- used as chemical energy for the industrial sector

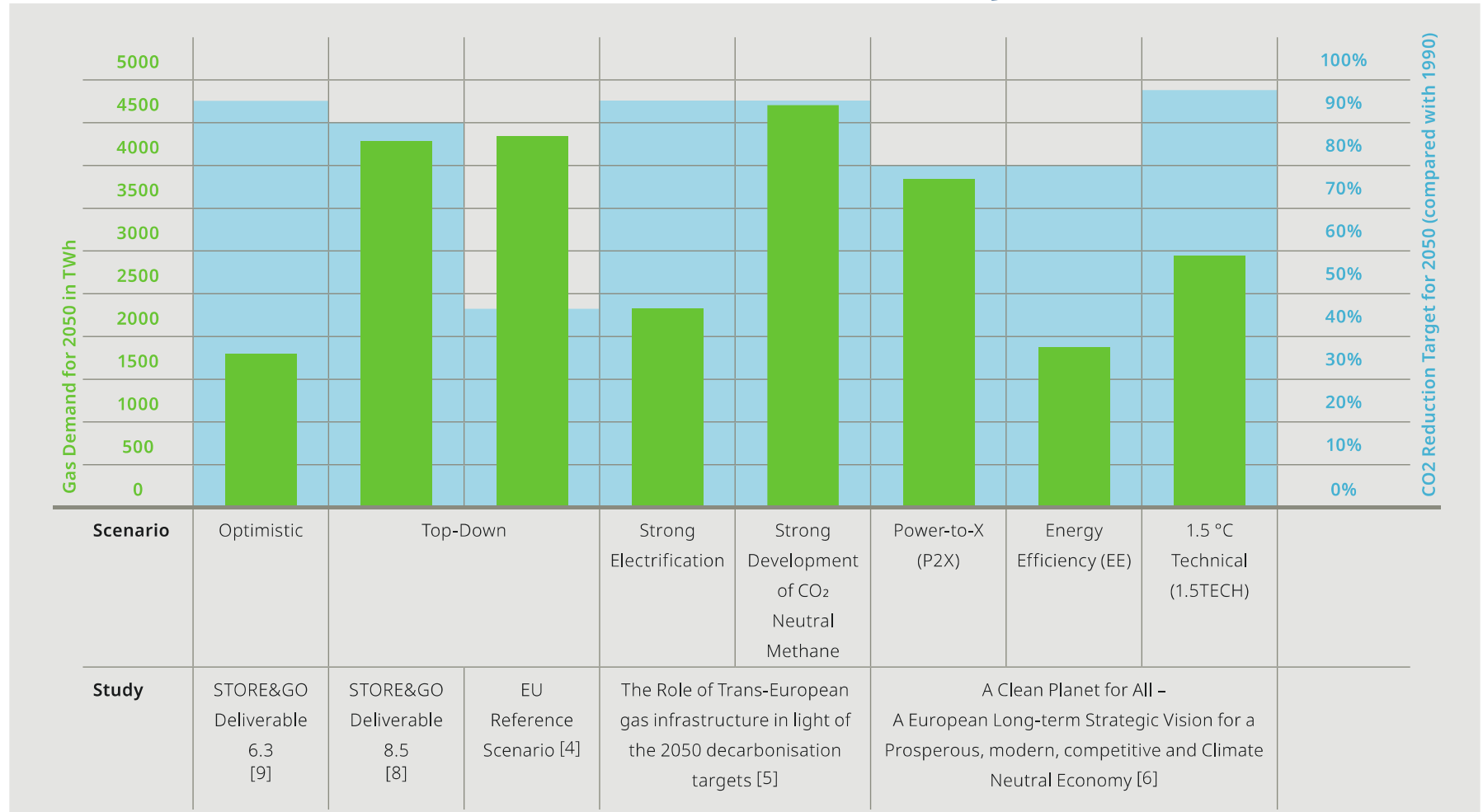
Source: A Clean Planet for All, European Commission

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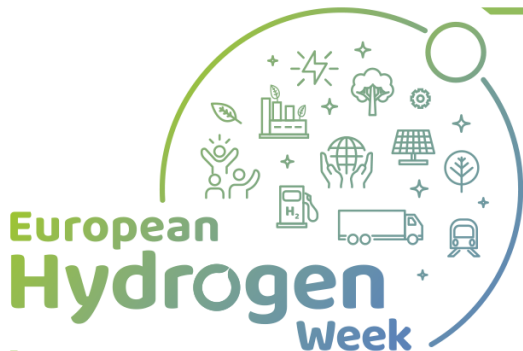




# Consumption of gas in the EU in different scenarios by 2050



Scenario	Optimistic	Top-Down		Strong Electrification	Strong Development of CO2 Neutral Methane	Power-to-X (P2X)	Energy Efficiency (EE)	1.5 °C Technical (1.5TECH)
Study	STORE&GO Deliverable 6.3 [9]	STORE&GO Deliverable 8.5 [8]	EU Reference Scenario [4]	The Role of Trans-European gas infrastructure in light of the 2050 decarbonisation targets [5]		A Clean Planet for All - A European Long-term Strategic Vision for a Prosperous, modern, competitive and Climate Neutral Economy [6]		

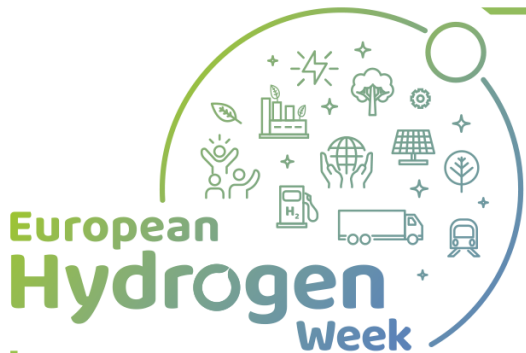


# Green molecules can be transported via existing gas infrastructure

- Europe has a well developed and highly integrated gas supply system
  - 2.2 Mio km of gas pipelines
  - 100 billion m<sup>3</sup> of gas storage
- Highly efficient gas infrastructure
- The system can be used for efficient transport of energy (hydrogen & methane)



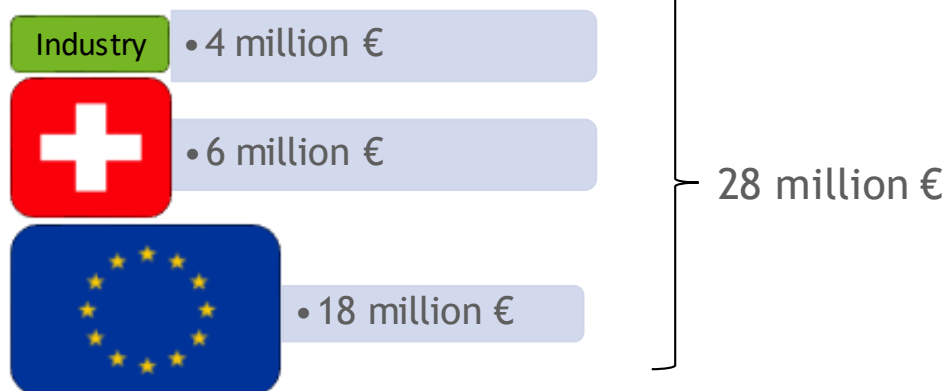




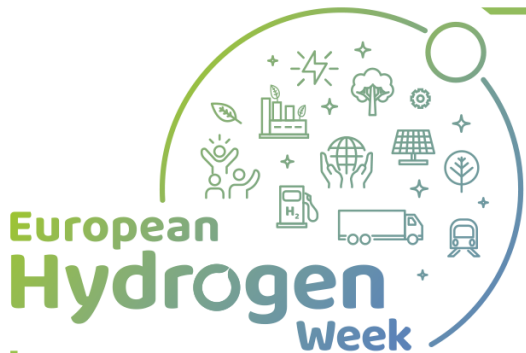
# Key facts of STORE&GO

- 27 Partner from 6 European countries
- Duration: 03/2016-02/2020
- Construction and operation of 3 PtG demonstration plants
- Extensive accompanying research

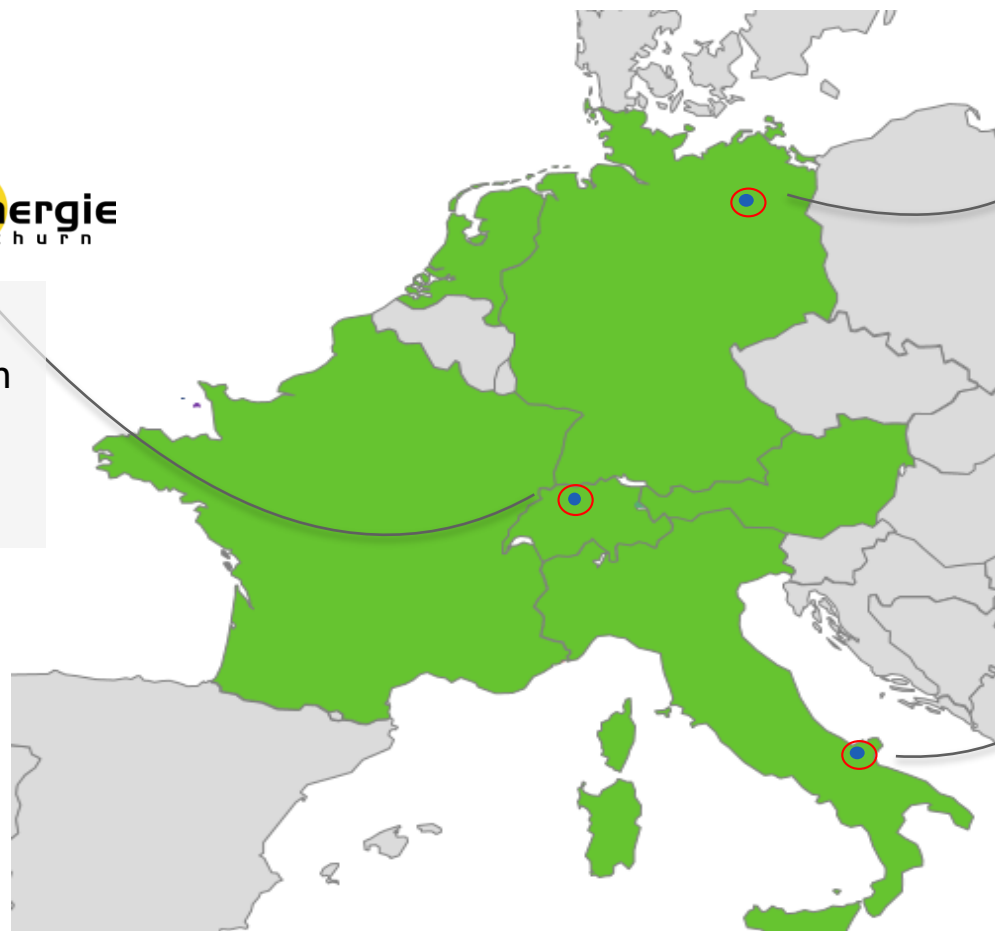
- Funding:



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# Three demosites proved operational reliability of PtG



Demo Site Solothurn **regio energie** solothurn

Plant size: 700 kW  
 Biological methanation  
 CO<sub>2</sub> from waste water  
 Gas distribution grid

Demo Site Falkenhagen **uni per**

Plant size: 1 MW  
 Catalytic methanation  
 CO<sub>2</sub> from bioethanol  
 Gas transport grid

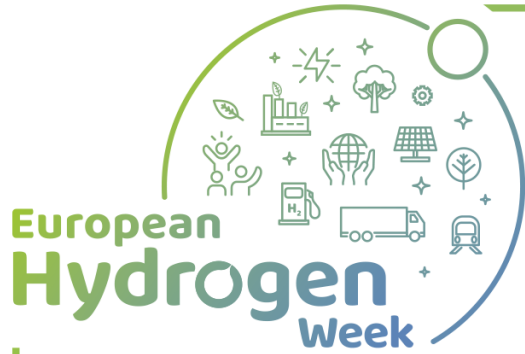
Demo Site Troia **ENGINEERING**

Plant size: 200 kW  
 Catalytic methanation  
 CO<sub>2</sub> from air  
 Liquefaction

# Technological key findings

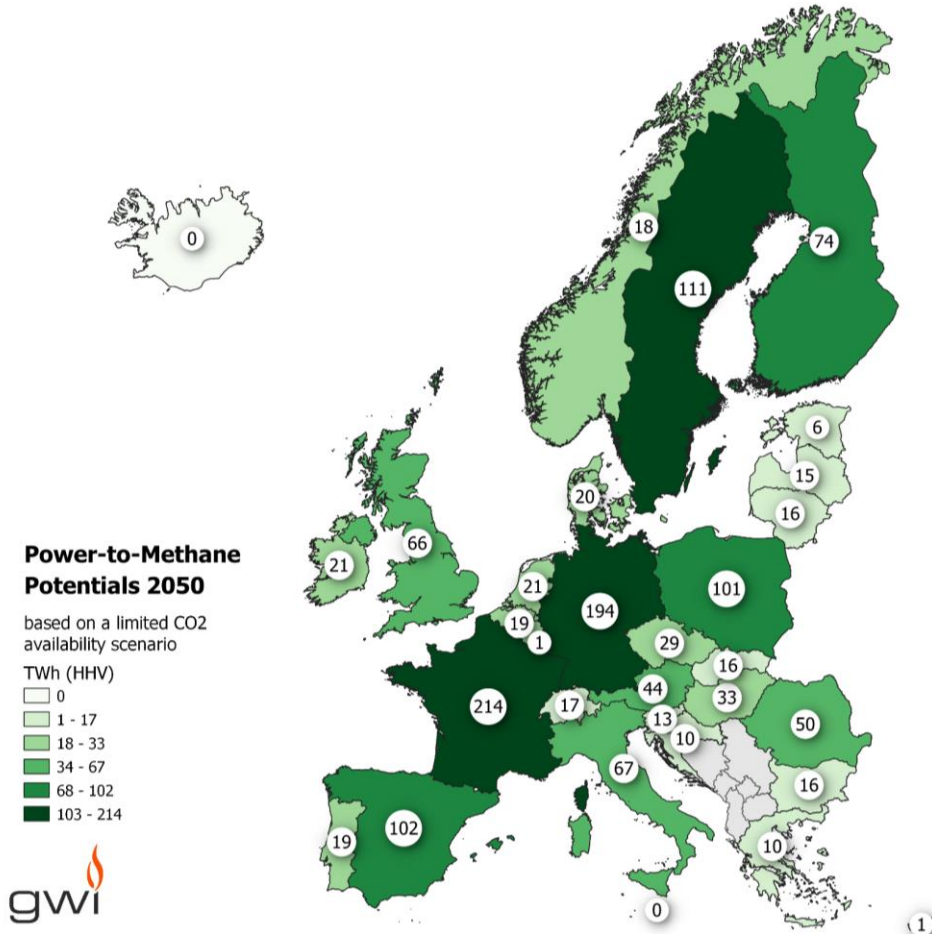


- Investigated technologies show stable methane content > 98%
- Overall efficiency electricity to methane > 75% demonstrated, due to tight integration of PtG plant in existing local energy system
- Dynamic operation of methanation feasible: load change rate of 5%/min. demonstrated

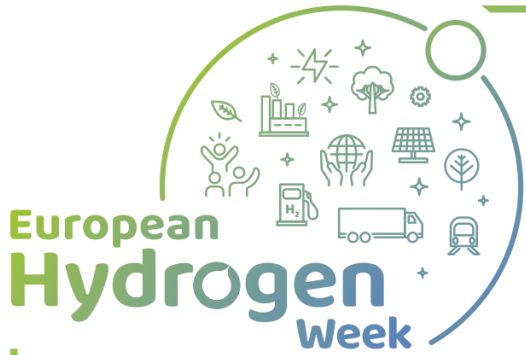


# PtG-methane potential in 2050

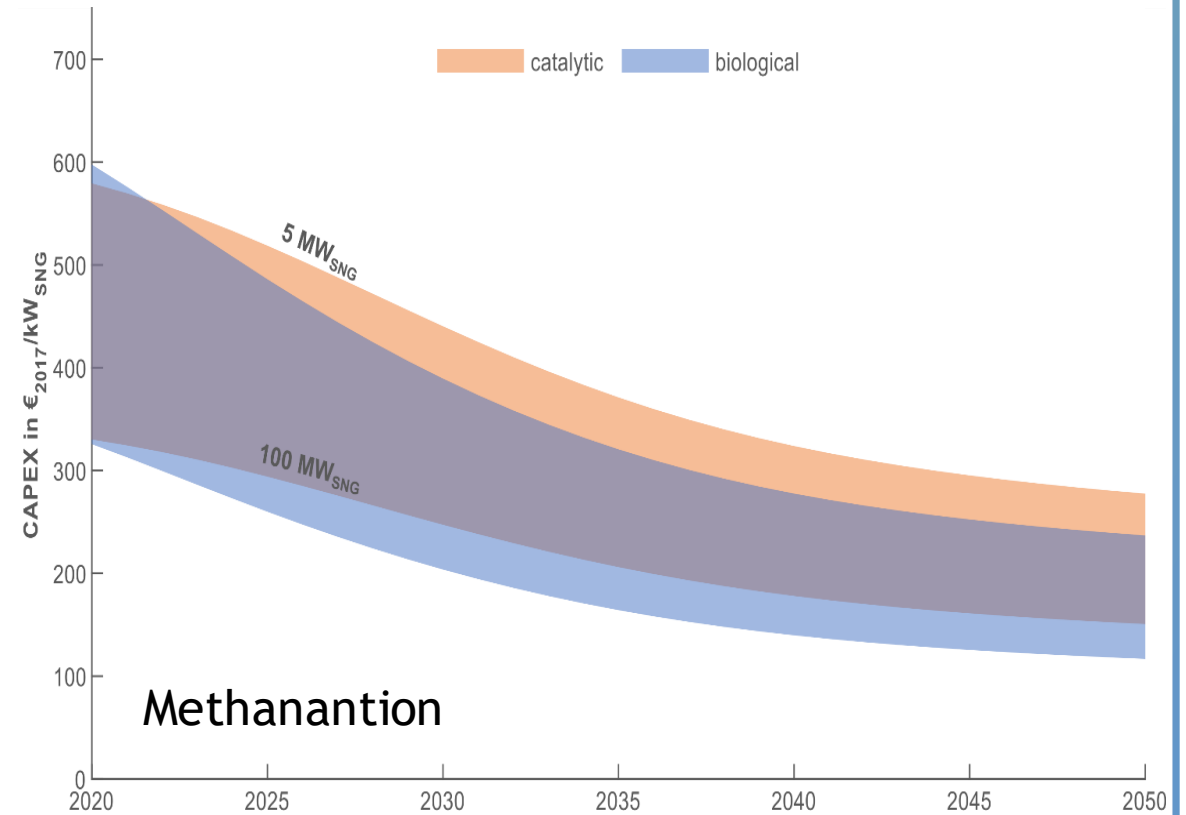
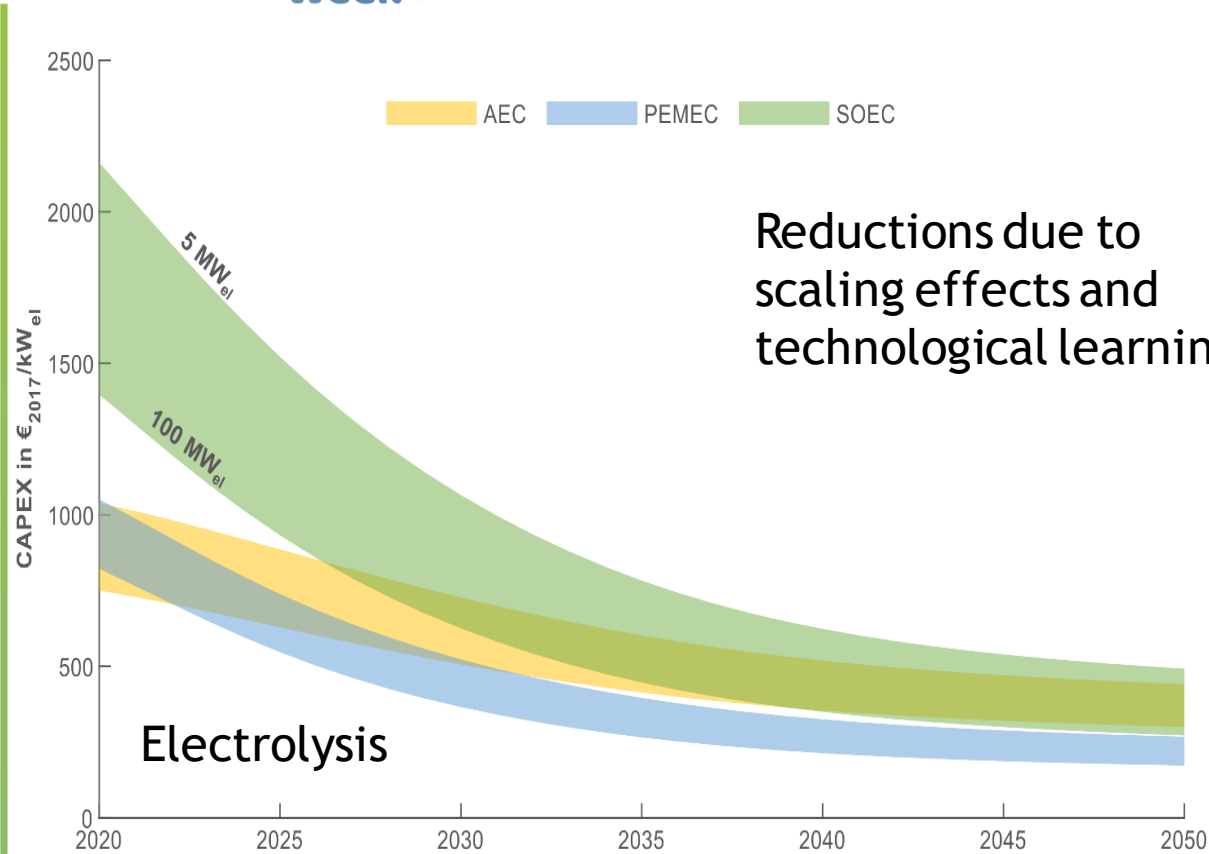
- 95% CO<sub>2</sub> reduction scenario
- Total methane potential: 1320 TWh/a (90% of which from green CO<sub>2</sub> sources)
- Compare to total methane demand in 'EU reference scenario 2016': 4400 TWh/a

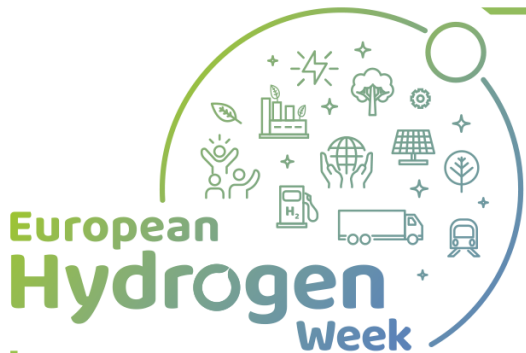






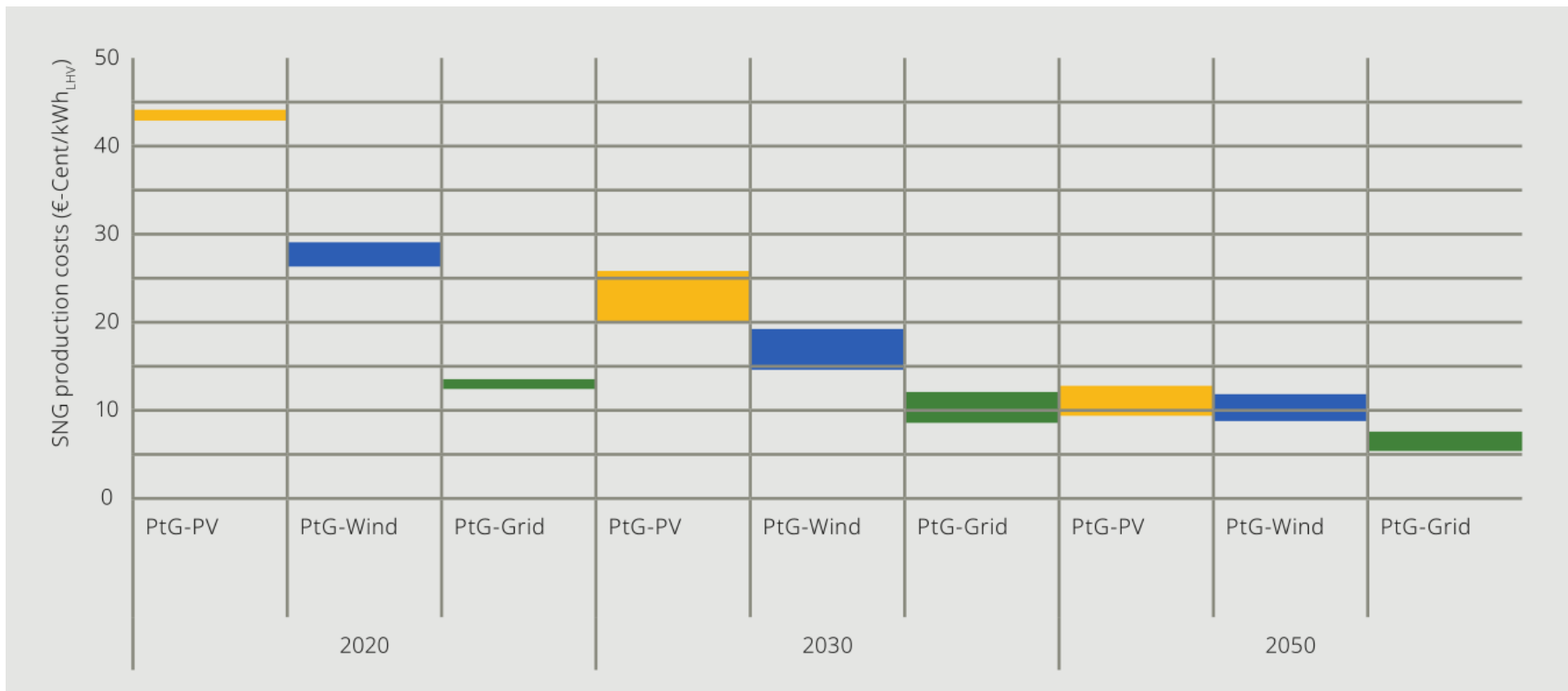
# Cost development of electrolysis and methanantion systems



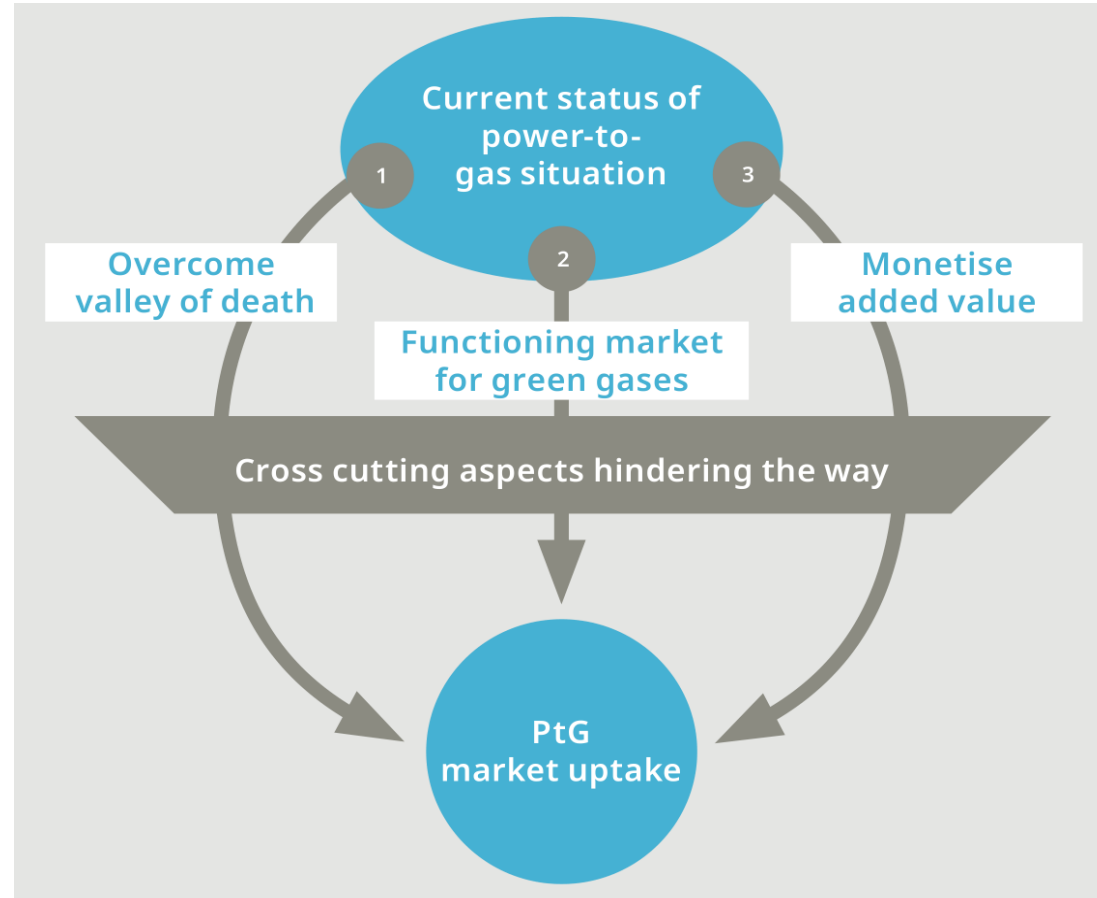


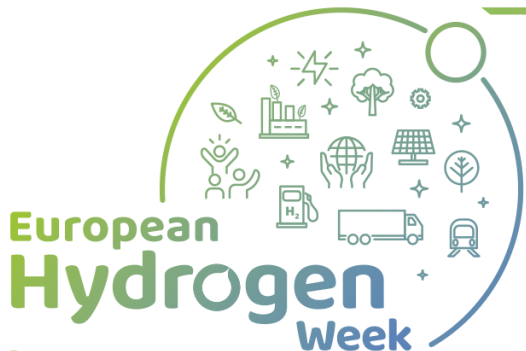
# Range of SNG production costs

100 MW plant in 2020, 2030 and 2050 for different scenarios



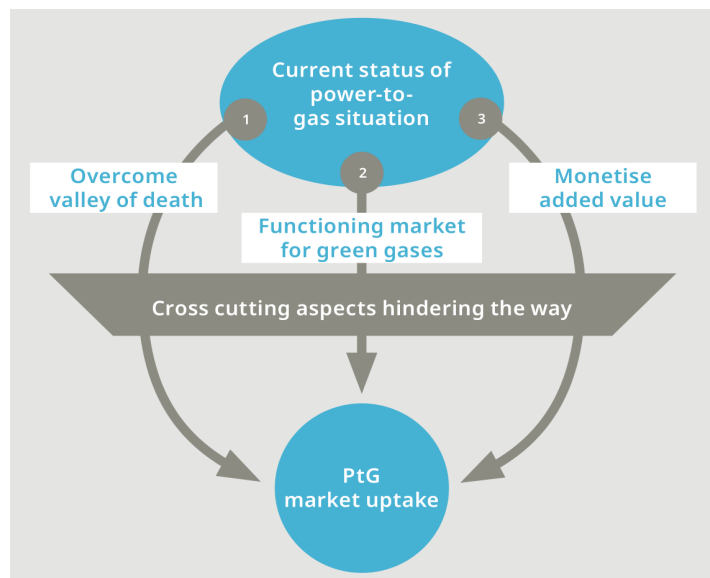
# Possible policy approaches for large-scale PtG deployment in the EU





# 1 Measures to overcome the valley of death

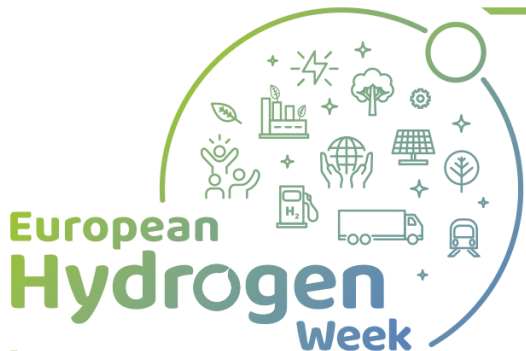
- Feed-in tariff for green gas
- Investment funding
- Regulatory sandboxes
- Expenditures for R&D



# 2 The creation of a functioning market for green gases

- Quota for renewable gas
- Financial penalty for emitting fossil CO<sub>2</sub>
- Establishment of a system of guarantees of origin



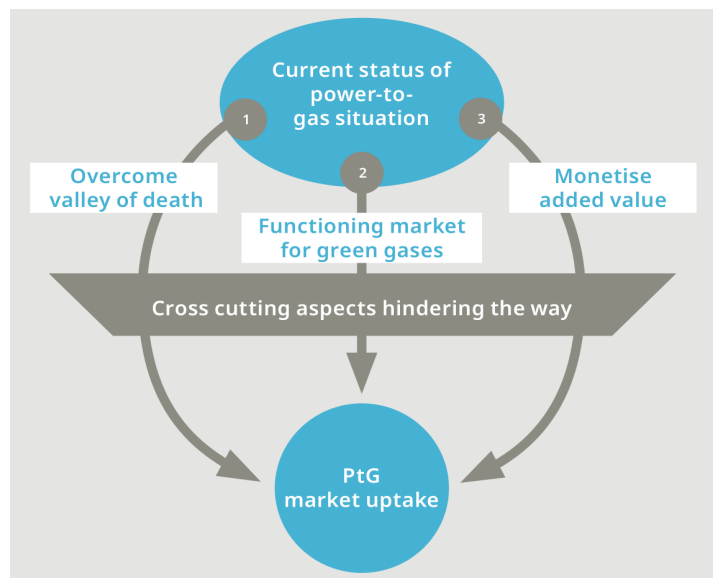


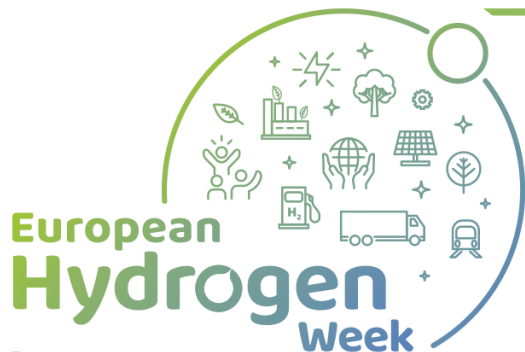
### 3 Monetisation of value added from power-to-gas to the energy system

- Need to coordinate the specific regulations of electricity and gas markets
- Reflecting externalities in electricity pricing

### 4 Cross-cutting measures to cancel out hindering aspects and to ease a smooth implementation

- Harmonised gas quality standards in the EU
- Clear EU environmental legislation
- Simplifying administrative procedures
- Promotion of trainings and further education and awareness raising

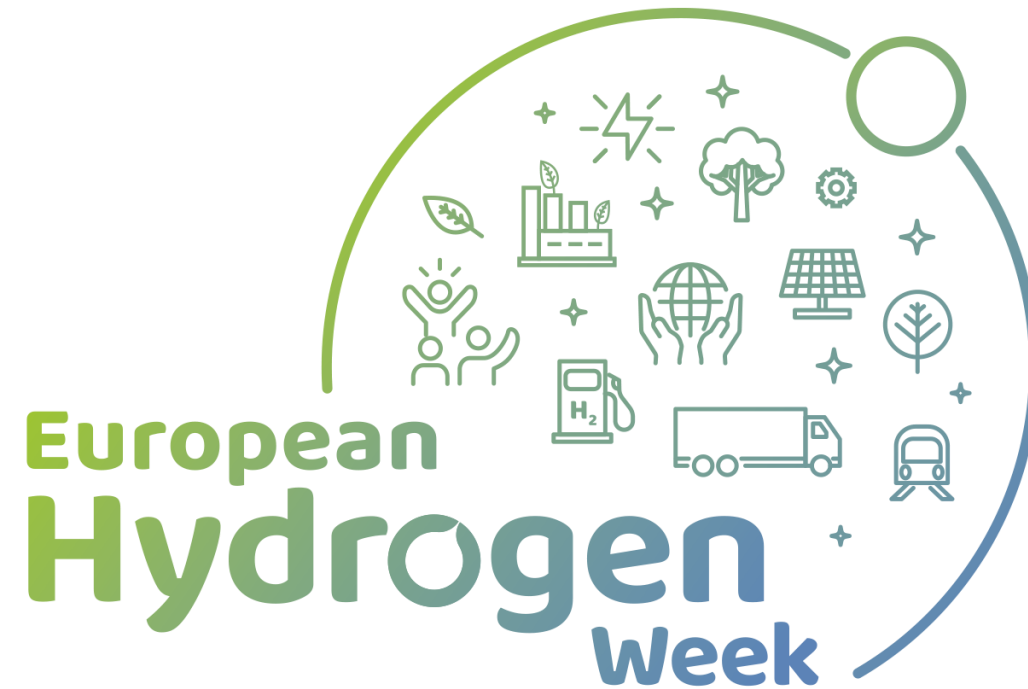




## Summary

- To reach 2050 targets: greening electrons (electricity) on track. Greening molecules (gases) lagging far behind.
- Europe's gas grid assures security of supply. Can transport and store green gases without expanding.
- Technological maturity of PtG demonstrated in three STORE&GO plants
- Promising potential for cost reduction and increase of efficiency
- The regulatory frameworks contain restraints and need to be reformed, so the resulting market distortions can be eliminated.
- From the technological point of view, power-to-gas can act as the key enabling technology for the energy transition.

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