



- Call year: 2019
- Call topic: FCH-02-2-2019: Multi megawatt high-temperature electrolyser for valorisation as energy vector in energy intensive industry
- Project dates: 01/01/2020-31/12/2024
- % stage of implementation 01/11/2021: 36%
- Total project budget: 9 751 722.50 €
- FCH JU max. contribution: 6 993 725.39 €
- Other financial contribution: 2 757 997.11 € (industrial partners)
- Partners: CEA (F), NESTE (FI, NL), SUNFIRE (D), PAUL WURTH (L), ENGIE (F)









Project Summary Main objectives

Global positioning vs international SoA

World largest HTE unit (by factor >3)

Goal:

- manufacturing, installation and integration of the world's first high-temperature electrolyser (HTE) system in multi-megawatt-scale, TRL8
- at a renewable products refinery located in Rotterdam / The Netherlands

1st HTE application for this market area

Benefits of HTE:

High efficient technology



 $H_2O(g) \rightarrow H_2(g) + \frac{1}{2}O_2(g)$

 $\Delta H = \Delta G + T\Delta S \sim \text{constant}$ overall energy ΔH has to be provided either as electric energy or as heat

Low T: energy = 85% electricity / 15% heat High T: energy = 70% electricity, 30% heat

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- Technology with no expensive noble catalysts
- Modular technology





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Key figures:

- electrical rated nominal power of ~ 2.6 MW_{el,AC} (HTE and Hydrogen Processing Unit (HPU))
- Hydrogen production rate of $\geq \frac{60 \text{ kg}_{\text{H2}}}{\text{h}} (\geq 670 \text{ Nm}^3/\text{h})$
- Operation period of 16,000 h
- Longest demo phase
- leading to substantial GHG emission reductions

Technical objectives:

- Electrolyzer electrical efficiency of up to 85%
- Electricity consumption @ nominal capacity: 39 kWh/kg_{H2}
- Availability: \geq 98 %
- Production loss rate: ≤ 1.2% / 1000 h

Low degradation values measured at stack/system level for long periods

Best values in-field

CAPEX and OPEX in agreement with MAWP targets

Economic objectives:

- Capital Cost: ≤ 2,400 € / (kgH2/d)
- Operations & Maintenance cost ≤ 120 €/(kgH2/d)/year
- Techno-Economic analysis of HTE utilisation in refineries
- Pave the way for further upscaling step to a 100 MW scale

Societal objectives:

European

- Increased awareness of HTE as viable solution within EII
- Procurement strategy for RE
- Certification of the green H2 according to CertifHy
 1st H cortificator for HTE

1st H₂ certificates for HTE technology











Risks, Challenges and Lessons Learned

		Measures taken
Risks	Delay due to longer than planned manufacturing duration + extended delivery times of components and material (COVID effect)	Contingency plan in place: manufacture, ship, install, commission and start 6 modules (50% capacity) at NESTE H2/2022. Installation and commission of the last 6 other modules beginning of 2023.
	Implementation of a new technology in new scale leads to technology risk which needs to be mitigated	Detailed risk management in place, accurate planning of installation and commissioning phase to ensure smooth start-up.
Challenges	Procurement of a 3rd party stack for benchmark Contact with several potential suppliers, which unfortunately failed	Test of Sunfire new stack design in replacement









Exploitation Plan/Expected Impact

Exploitation

Projects partners on the whole value chain: each having its own stone



<u>Impact</u>

Preliminary market analysis performed Sales forecast performed for each individual components

MARKET OVERVIEW

Hydrogen demand will increase across all industries

European

Commission



Global hydrogen demand [GW]¹⁾

Sources: FCH JU; McKinsey & Company 1) Assuming > 8,000 full load hours and 50 kWh/kg





