

# The Emerging Hydrogen Market

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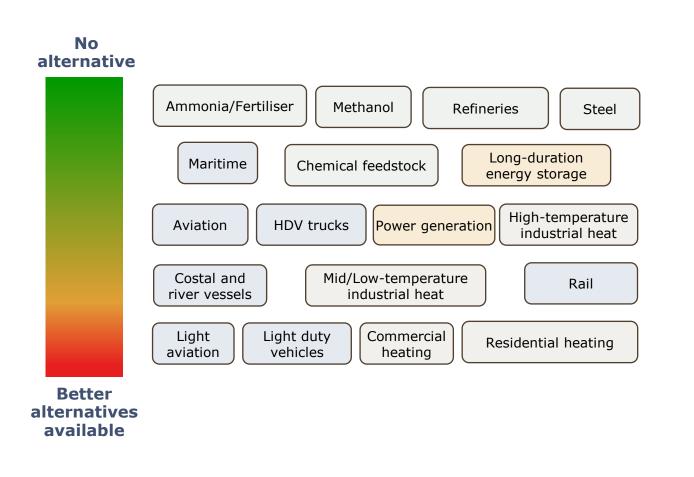
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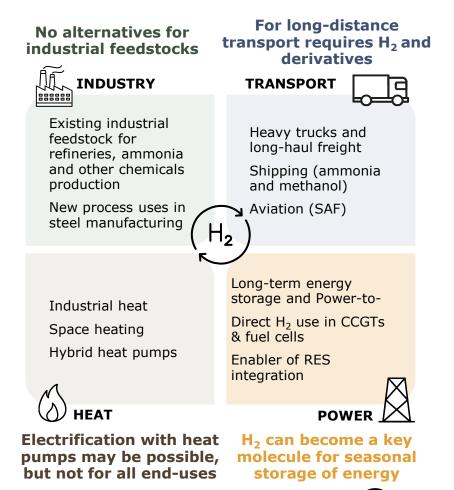
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# Hydrogen could be crucial to decarbonise hard-to-abate sectors to achieve net-zero, but is not a 'silver bullet'







# Costs remain high and uncompetitive for offtakers - FIDs are being delayed and projects 'shelved'

## COSTS

- Costs under-estimated
- High inflation
- Costs of capital
- Supply chain development issues
- Electrolysers are increasing rather than decreasing
- Offtake markets not yet developed
- Projects are being delayed or cancelled



## **Policy and Incentives**

- Too complex?
- Too restrictive?
- Targeted correctly?



## TECHNICAL/COMMERCIAL

- RES costs and/or PPA costs
- Electrolyser costs high
- Matching intermittency of RES
- Scale of projects is large



## **OFFTAKERS**

- Long-term offtake contracts required
- Willingness to Pay?
- Competitiveness Vs decarbonisation



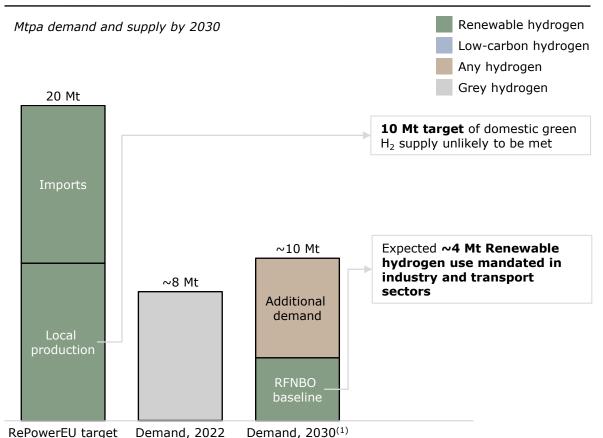
### **INFRASTRUCTURE**

- Power grid capacity availability
- New and repurposed pipelines
- Hydrogen/Ammonia Storage
- Port infrastructure for exports/imports

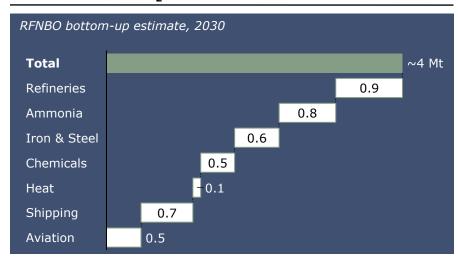


# REDIII requires adoption of Renewable H2 in industrial and transport sectors but will not reach RePowerEU targets for 2030

### **EUROPEAN LOW-CARBON H2 SUPPLY-DEMAND**



## **CONSERVATIVE H<sub>2</sub> DEMAND BREAKDOWN**



- REDIII obligations require transposition into national legislation
- This may lead to different interpretation/applications between countries
- o Penalties for non-compliance are uncertain

Source: European Hydrogen Observatory (EHO), GlobalData, IEA, Hydrogen Europe, S&P Global | (1) Based on median of 22 forecasts compiled by EHO | (2) IEA estimates higher FID volumes than GlobalData (but similar FID percentage).



# Although some offtake contracts are being signed there exists a wide funding gap between 'willingness to pay' and supply costs

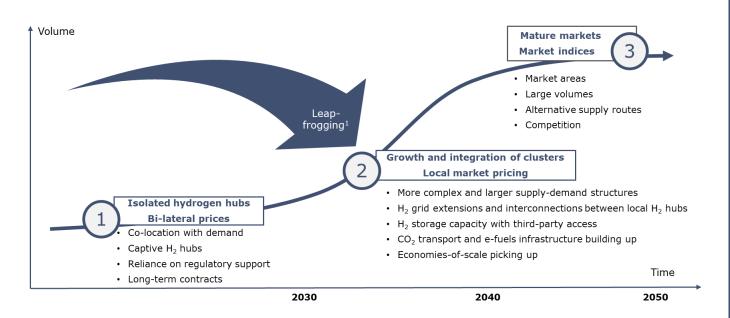
- H2 developers will initially need long-term contracts and subsidies to make the projects bankable
- Offtakers' 'Willingness-to-pay' is much less than supply costs
- REDIII obligations may 'force' adoption, but this will depend on any penalties for non-compliance
- Higher carbon prices would help close the gap

# **FUNDING GAP REQUIREMENTS REDUCE OVER TIME** ■ Green Hydrogen Funding Gap Low Carbon Premium Carbon Costs ■ Current Fuel Costs 2025 2040



# A mature market may take some time to develop but policies and support could accelerate the process

### POSSIBLE HYDROGEN MARKET DEVLOPMENT



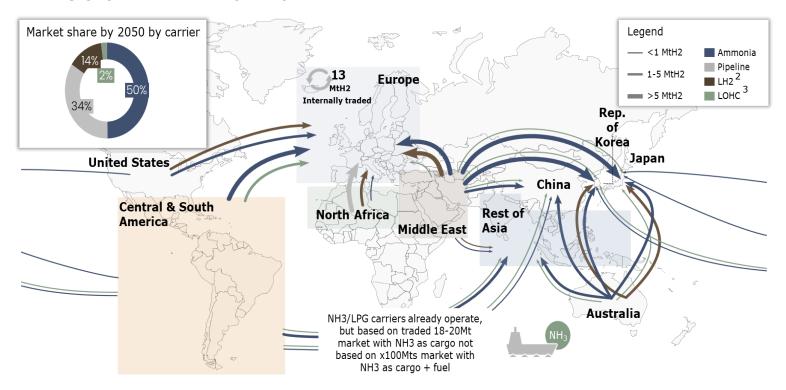
- No real market pre-2035
- Some countries e.g. Germany likely to be reliant on imports and a market could emerge at import hubs
- Ammonia market may be more liquid than a hydrogen market in medium term
- Information will be essential to lead to price information e.g. EU Hydrogen Bank and H2 Global

<sup>(1)</sup> For example, the German government has backed an initial core hydrogen network by 2032 with government advance payments, while the US government will likely offer \$8 billion to build seven regional H<sub>2</sub> clusters.



# AFRY's global trade flow model predicts the emergence of global trade flow routes

### **AFRY'S GLOBAL TRADE FLOW MODEL**

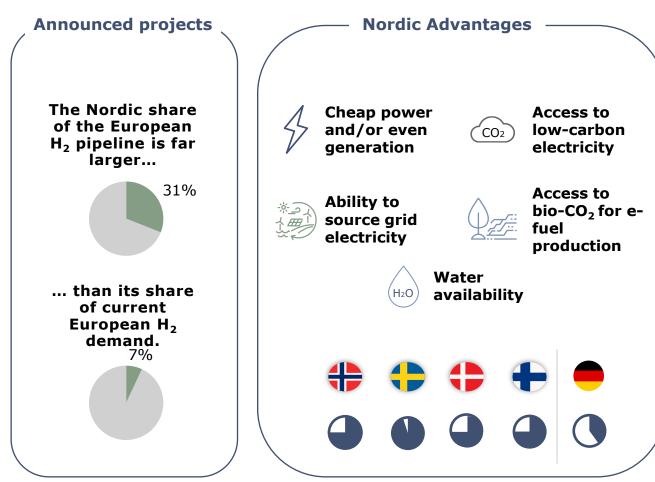


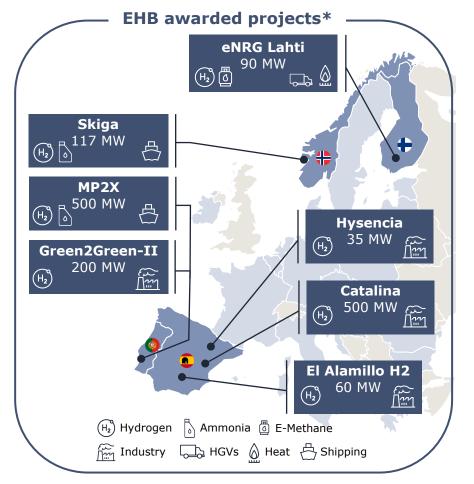
- Trade flows driven by import requirements in Europe and Asia
- Lower cost renewable sources in exporting countries used to produce hydrogen and derivatives
- Infrastructure investment at large-scale is required
- Pipelines are the cheapest transportation option
- Ammonia is likely to be the transport vector for longdistance shipping

Note: Market value estimated considering traded volumes and CAPEX for carriers' conversion and reconversion. 1) Renewable Energy Sources 2) Liquid Hydrogen 3) Liquid Organic Hydrogen Carriers 4) Liquified Natural Gas



# Nordics has the potential to play a leading role due to power market fundamentals and biogenic carbon availability



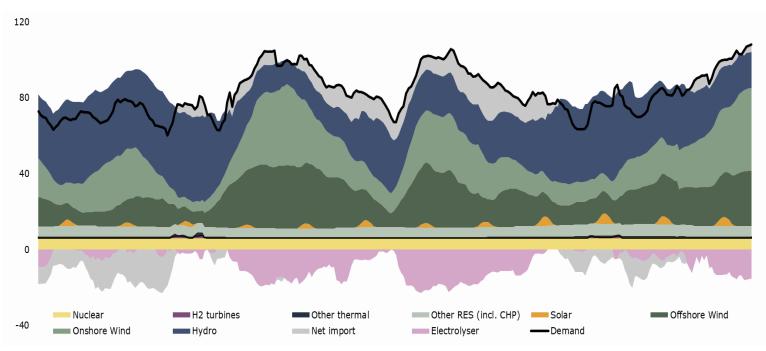




<sup>\*</sup> Projects awarded a subsidy in the first European Hydrogen Bank Auction 2024

## What impact will electrolysers have on the power market?

# HOURLY GENERATION/DEMAND (GW), 2 WINTER WEEKS IN 2050 BID3 AFRY CENTRAL SCENARIO\*



- •Nordic power market will become more variable due to increased RES penetration, more interconnection and more demand flexibility
- •Hydro power provides much of the flexibility to meet increased variability
- •More RES results in downward pressure on prices but increased demand leaves overall prices largely unchanged
- •Grid connected electrolysers will produce hydrogen in low-priced hours and 'set' the power price
- •Electrolyser demand can act to reduce price volatility in future



<sup>\*</sup> BID3 modelling carried out with 2050 capacity mix with 2003 weather year data

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# Our hydrogen ambition

### **OUR AMBITION**

To be the leading advisor to the hydrogen and low carbon fuels industry providing advisory services and technical expertise across the whole value chain

Providing a 'One-Stop-Shop' for our clients at whatever stage of their journey in the energy transition

## Our hydrogen expertise

### **KEY FIGURES**

- 1 Over 300 projects delivered globally in over 30 countries since start of 2020
- 2 Technical/engineering advisory and design on projects with over 20GW electrolyser capacity
- 3 Expertise covers the entire value chain from production to end-use
- 4 Expertise in Hydrogen, ammonia, emethanol, e-methane and Sustainable Aviation Fuels
- 5 Experts located globally involved in consulting and engineering projects

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