

# Electrolysis - key element for energy and fuel transition

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# NOW GmbH – Who we are


- **NOW: National Organization Hydrogen and Fuel Cell Technology**
- **GmbH:** Owner is the Federal Republic of Germany (represented by BMVI)
- **Founded 2008** for the implementation of the National Innovation Program Hydrogen and Fuel Cell Technology
- Current task: **Concept development, coordination and implementation of national strategies and public-private programs for future mobility concepts**
- Currently **42 employees**



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# NOW GmbH – Tasks and Projects

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<p><b>National Innovation-Programme Hydrogen and Fuel Cell Technology</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Research and Development</li> <li>• Market activation</li> </ul> 	<p><b>Charging Infrastructure</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Nationwide buildup</li> <li>• Normal charging</li> <li>• Fast charging</li> </ul>	<p><b>Battery Electric Mobility</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Research and Development</li> <li>• Communal mobility concepts</li> <li>• Vehicle procurement</li> </ul> 	<p><b>Mobility and Fuels Strategy</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Alternative fuels (efficient, emission-free)</li> <li>• LNG as a marine fuel</li> <li>• Pilot projects</li> </ul> 	<p><b>Export Initiative Environmental Technology</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• German-Japanese cooperation for P2G</li> <li>• Development cooperation for H2/FC technologies</li> </ul>



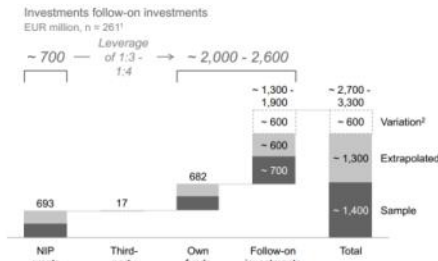
**Programme coordination and implementation, strategy development, networking and contribution to visibility**

■ National Organisation  
■ Hydrogen and Fuel Cell Technology

# THE NATIONAL INNOVATION PROGRAM HYDROGEN AND FUEL CELL TECHNOLOGY (NIP) PHASE 1 (2007 – 2016)...



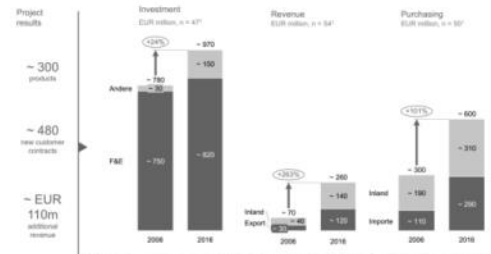
## ...TRIGGERED FOLLOW-ON-INVESTMENTS



<sup>1</sup> 201 investments in question. Here follow-on investments resulted from the support of 112 projects, 101 are 20 the 112 positive projects, 84 included an indication of the volume of follow-on investments. For the remaining 28 positive projects, the average value for the 84 responses was assumed.  
<sup>2</sup> The upper limit of the leverage was extrapolated directly from the case study, the lower boundary from a survey adjusted for potential double counting. This double counting adjustment was made for volumes in excess of EUR 10 million in organizations with multiple projects.

SOURCE: Survey of NIP Grant Recipients 2017

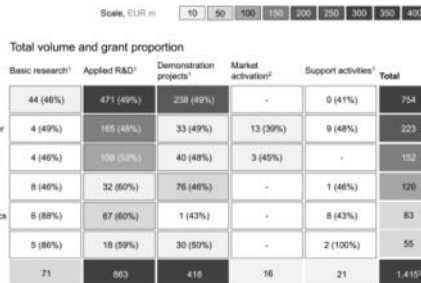
## ...ACCELERATED MARKET DEVELOPMENT



Market in preparatory phase: investment and purchasing significantly exceed revenue; revenue growing faster  
Import share up from ~35% to ~50%, export share up from 40% to 43%

<sup>1</sup> Positive. These include also investments in pilot revenue from H<sub>2</sub>FC, hydrogen, investment in H<sub>2</sub>FC (power FC) revenue from H<sub>2</sub>FC (power FC) revenue from suppliers in H<sub>2</sub>FC (power FC) revenue from suppliers.  
<sup>2</sup> Average value was extrapolated to 2008 customer design volumes and 2016 that exceeded the survey.  
<sup>3</sup> SOURCE: Survey of NIP Grant Recipients 2017

## ...710 MILLION EURO PUBLIC R&D FUNDING



<sup>1</sup> Grants of innovation design based on self-assessment of grant recipients.  
<sup>2</sup> NIP CoP grant positions.  
<sup>3</sup> Combined 18 additional NIP programs subsequently designed by NIP but not designated within this report. See appendix 5.1.  
<sup>4</sup> SOURCE: Database NIP: Small NIP 1 (preliminary version, as of February 2017), Survey of NIP Grant Recipients 2017

## ...SAFEGUARDED GERMANY'S POSITION AS TECHNOLOGY LEADER



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# GOVERNMENT PROGRAMME 2016 - 2026 CONTINUING THE NATIONAL INNOVATION PROGRAMME HYDROGEN AND FUEL CELL TECHNOLOGIES (NIP)



Research and development

Market activation

Technical/cost targets

Milestones (quantities/costs)

Fundamental research

Applied research and development

Demonstration

Hydrogen in transport

Hydrogen from renewable energy sources

Cogeneration (domestic energy supply/industry) secure power supply

Cost reductions

Lead market / lead supplier Germany

Value creation / competitiveness Germany

10 years → Federal funding € 1.4 bn → Combining R&D funding with market activation

Government programme for hydrogen and fuel cell technology 2016-2026  
— from market preparation to competitive products

For the continuation of the National Innovation Programme for Hydrogen and Fuel Cell Technology 2006-2016 (NIP)

A joint programme of

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Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBWF) and

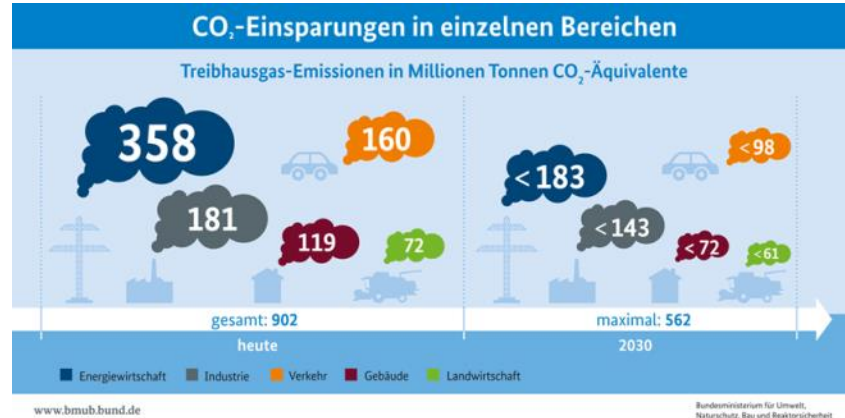
Federal Ministry for the Environment, Nature Conservation, Building and Nuclear Safety (BMUB)



The Federal Government



# Political framework – German Climate Action Plan 2050



## National implementation of the Paris Climate Agreement

- CO<sub>2</sub> reduction goals for all sectors
- Concept development for the 2030 goals and long-term plan to reach the goals in 2050
- Presentation of the concepts in 2018

# GERMAN COALITION AGREEMENT BETWEEN CDU, CSU AND SPD IS STRONGLY REFERRING TO HYDROGEN TECHNOLOGIES

“Investing in electro mobility, amongst others in hydrogen and fuel cells.”

“We want to set up a Fraunhofer Institute for Storage Technology and integrate existing competences. We want to strengthen hydrogen technologies.”

We want to push electromobility (battery electric, hydrogen and fuel cell) forward in Germany and enhance and increase the existing subsidies framework beyond the year 2020.

We want to intensify the construction of a nationwide charging and refueling infrastructure.

We want to continue the National Innovation Program on Hydrogen and fuel cell technologies. We want to develop the mobility and fuel strategy (MKS) technology-neutral and increase the means to their implementation. We want to advance “sectorcoupling” and change the regulative framework, so that “green hydrogen” and hydrogen as a product from industrial processes (byproduct) be utilized as a fuel or for the production of conventional fuels (eg natural gas).

Concerning rail passenger transport we want to set up a comprehensive funding program... We want to increase subsidies for fuel cell hybrid railcars incl. Equipment / conversion of depots and construction and operation of hydrogen refueling stations.

At national level, we want to strengthen and stabilize our technology-neutral initiatives in favor of alternative drivetrains and energy sources in shipping and in ports (LNG, Hydrogen / fuel cell, methanol, electromobility).

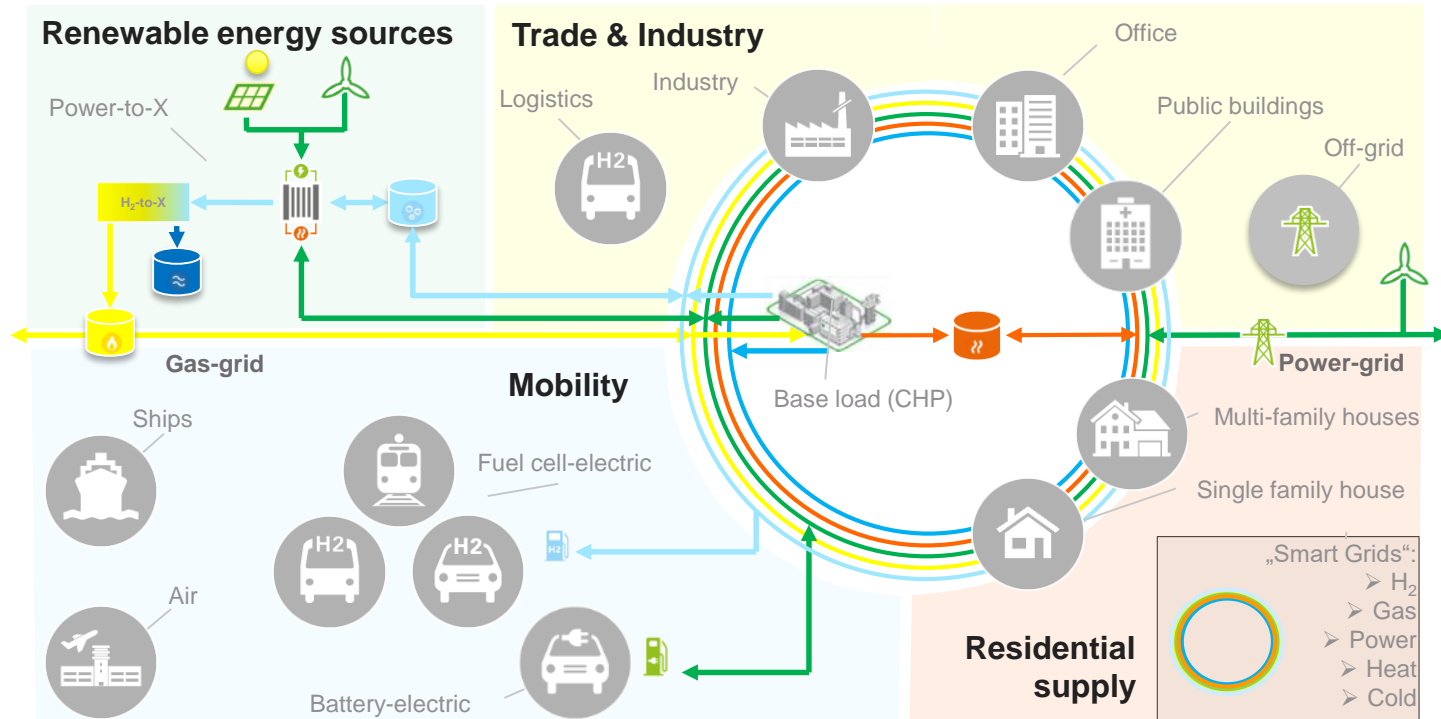
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Ein neuer Aufbruch für Europa  
Eine neue Dynamik für Deutschland  
Ein neuer Zusammenhalt für unser Land

Koalitionsvertrag  
zwischen  
CDU, CSU und SPD

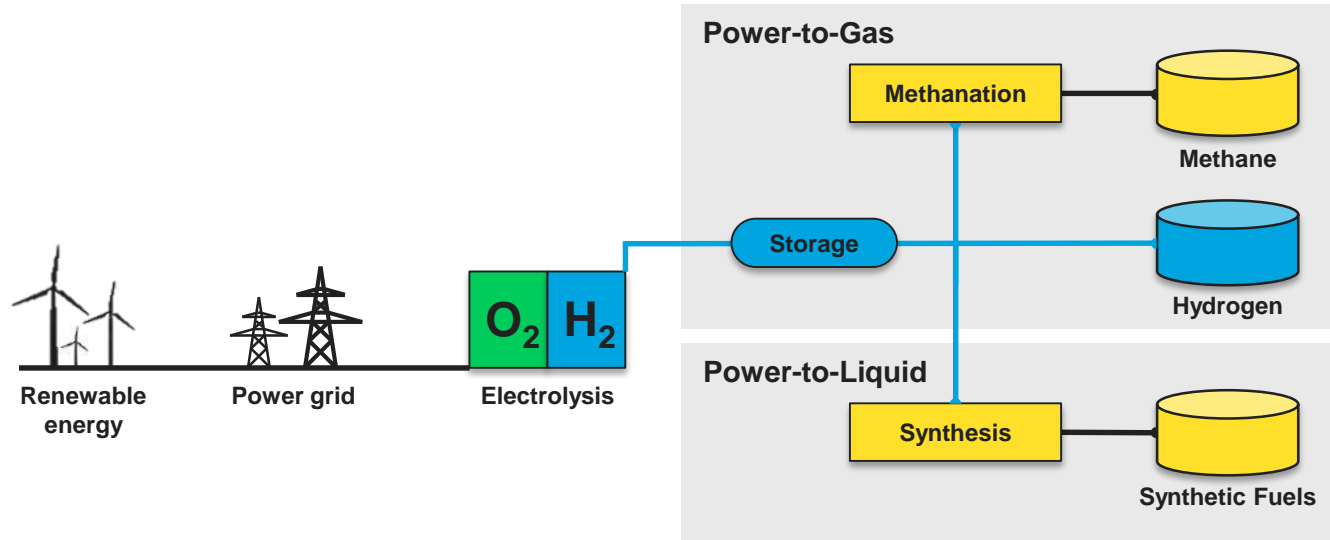
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# Integrated energy system – Renewable, flexible and connected across all sectors





# Integrated energy system – Water electrolysis as key technology



- Emission-free production of hydrogen with water electrolysis technology
- Hydrogen as feed stock for the production of synthetic fuels (i.e. Kerosene, syn. Diesel)

# Integrated energy system – Current study on water electrolysis



## Studie IndWEde

Industrialisierung der Wasserelektrolyse in Deutschland: Chancen und Herausforderungen für nachhaltigen Wasserstoff für Verkehr, Strom und Wärme



## Industrialization of water electrolysis in Germany Towards a GW industry for a successful transition of the energy sector to renewable energies

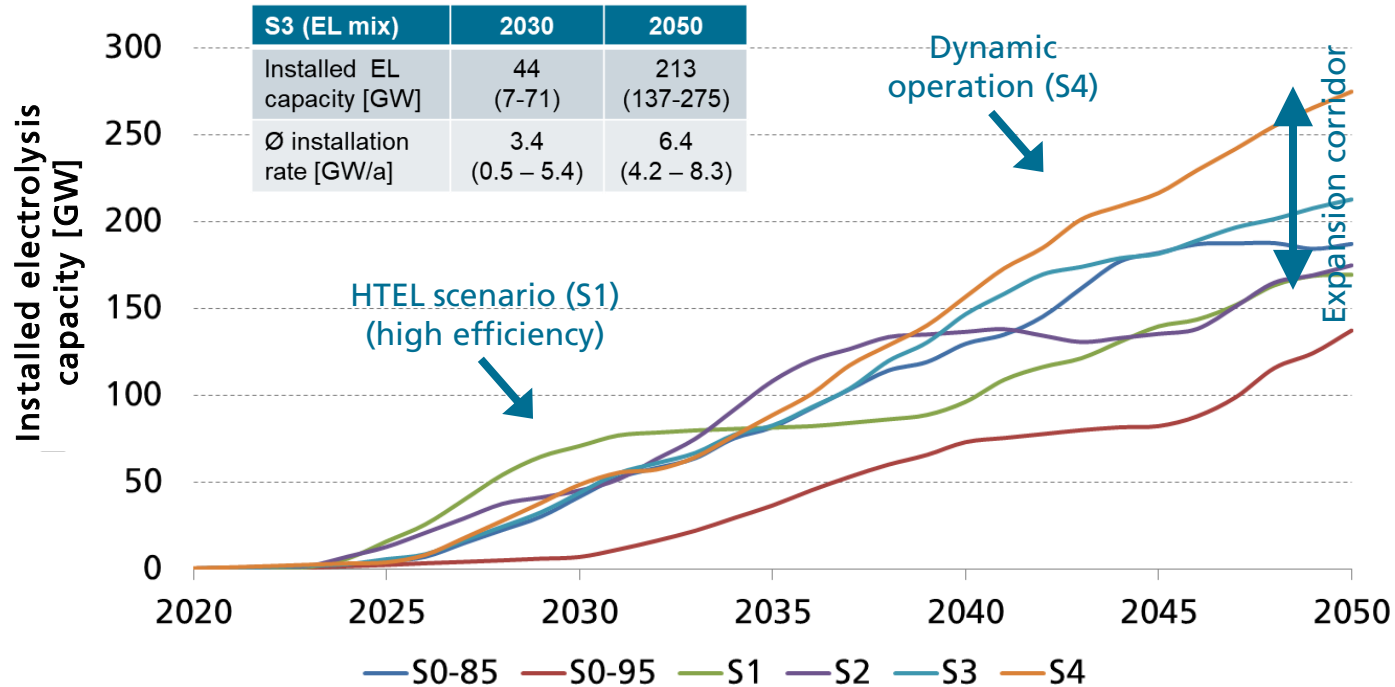


- ➔ Do we have a powerful WE industry to produce all the required GW?
- ➔ What has to be done now to be ready in the next years
- ➔ Recommendations for the German innovation program NIP 2

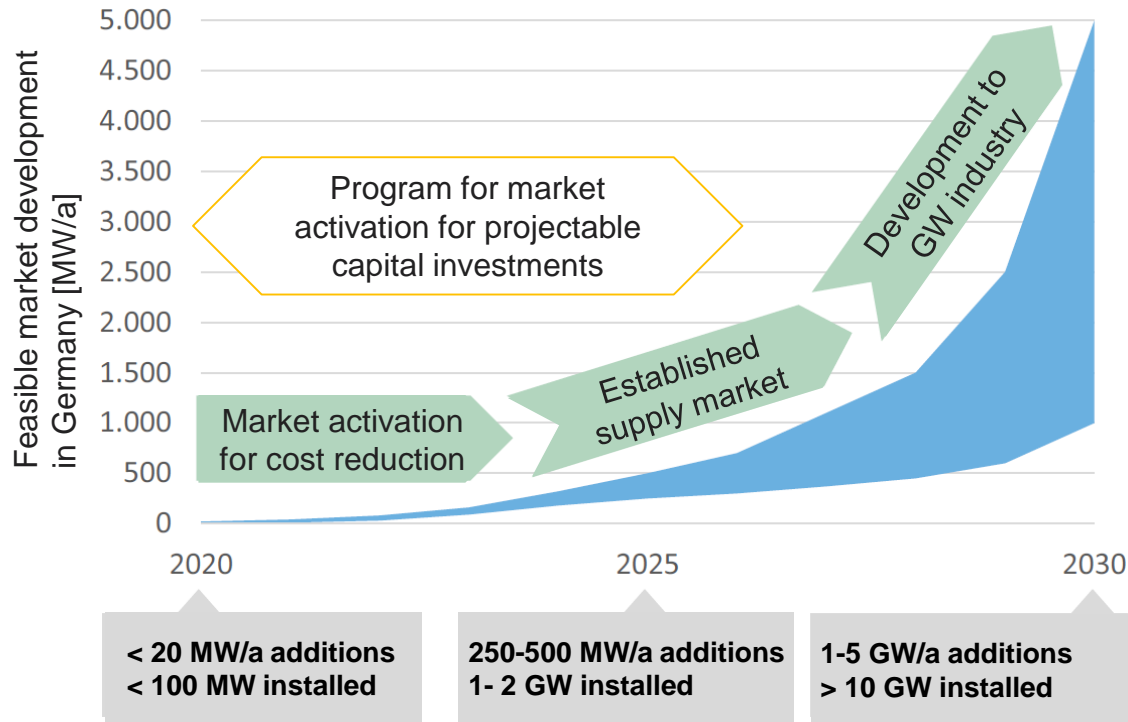
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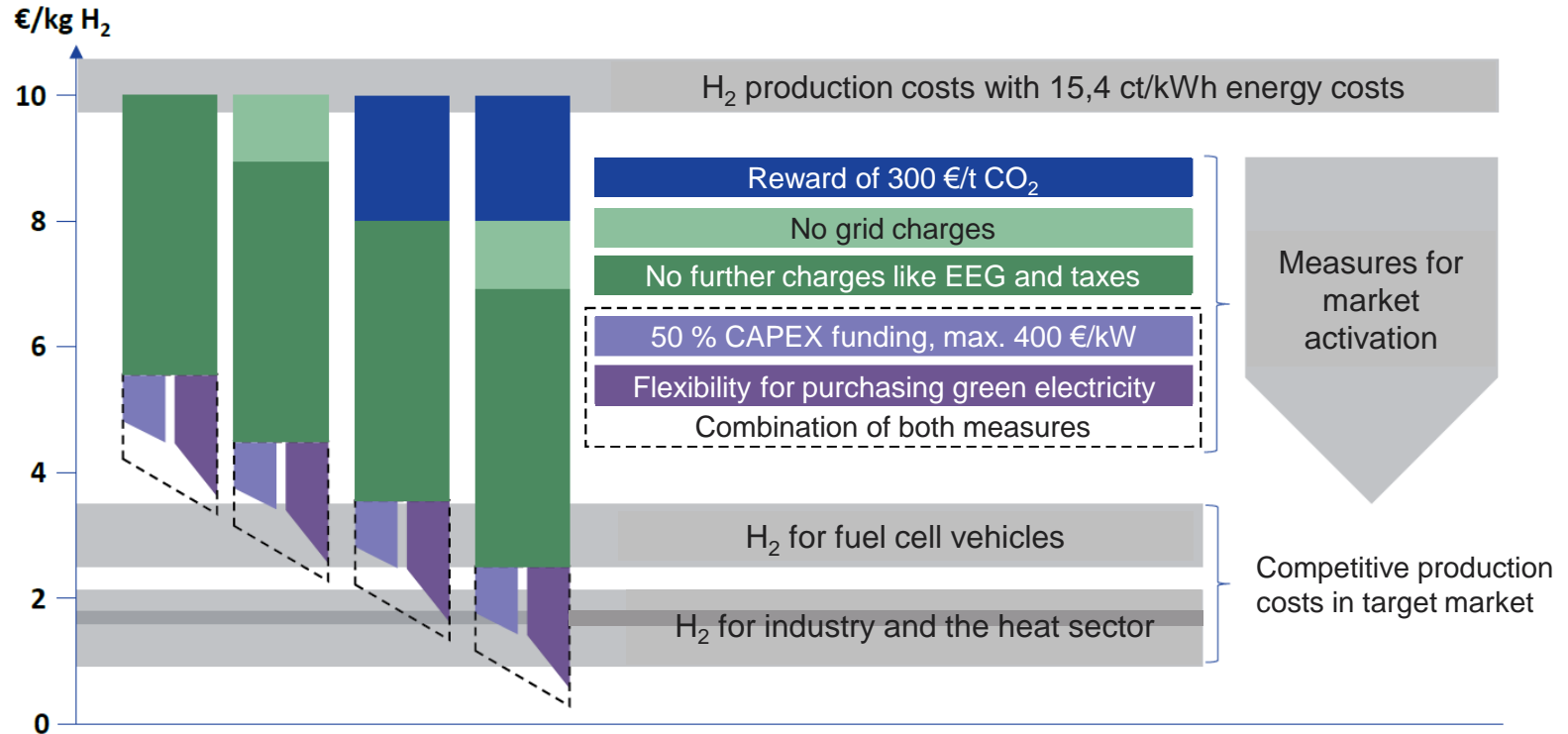
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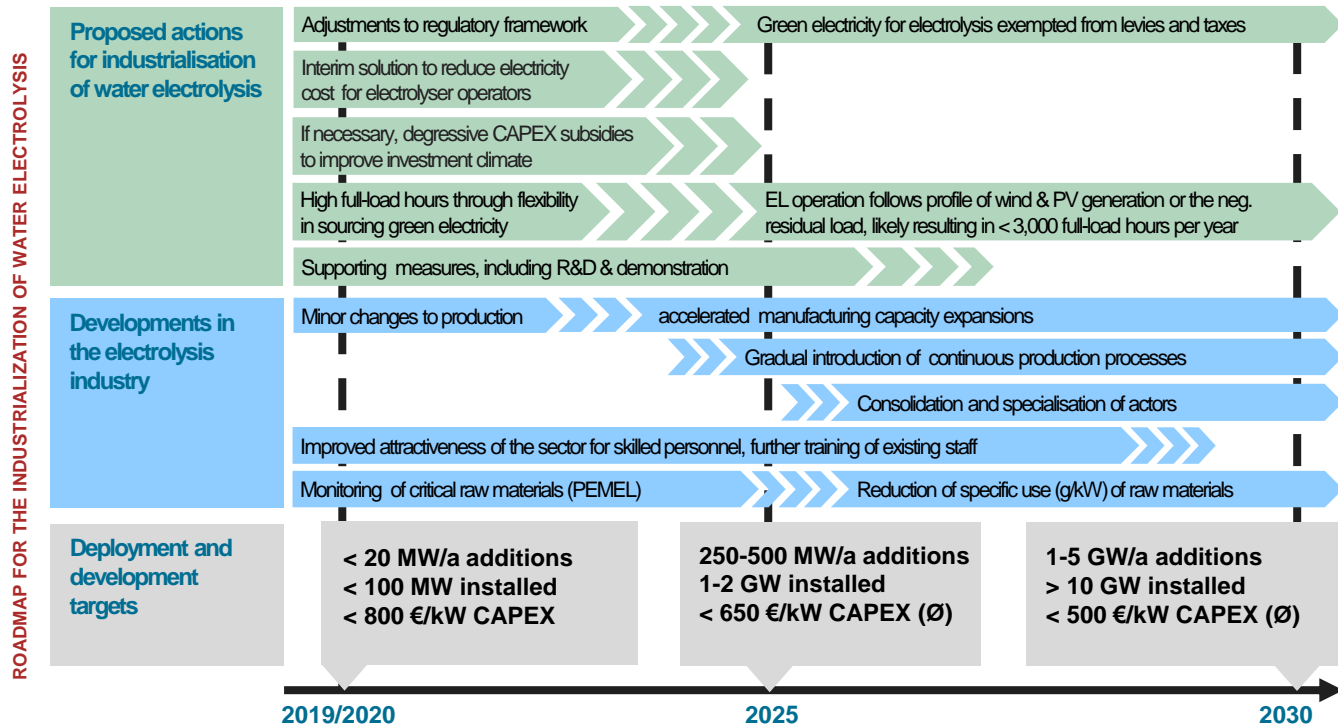
# Industrialization water electrolysis – Development of installed water electrolysis capacity



# Industrialization water electrolysis – Measures to reduce hydrogen costs



# Industrialization water electrolysis – Roadmap



# CONCLUSIONS

Electrolysis is a key technology for an integrated energy system based on renewable electricity

Technology is mature

Market uptake is needed for economies of scale

First step to overcome is a production capacity of 1-2 GW installed

Policy measures for supporting hydrogen are discussed at national as well as EU level

**Thank you!**

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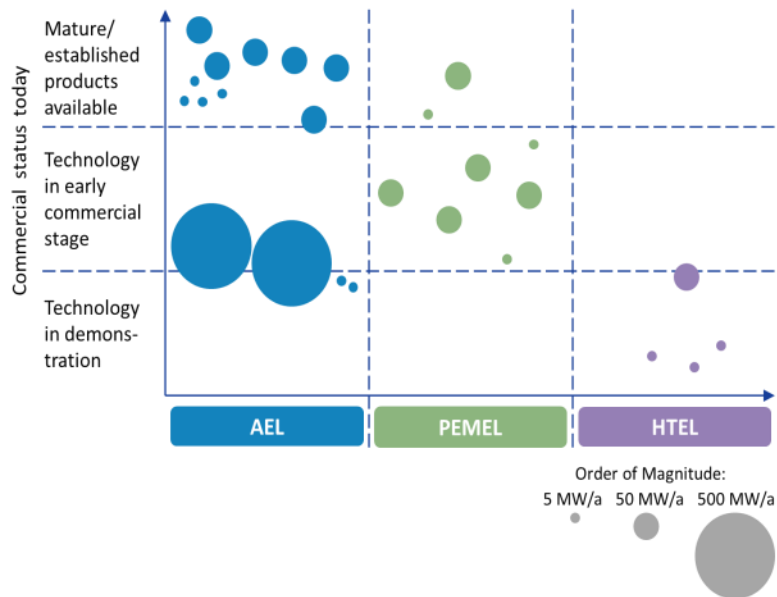
# Industrialization water electrolysis – Comprehensive survey with interviews & questionnaires

Key features:

- Sold EL capacity: ~ 100 MW/a
- Global sales : 100-150 Mio. €/a
- Direct employees: ~ 1.000
- Possible ramp-up in manufacturing capacity by 2020: ~ 2 GW

How do electrolysis system manufacturers work today?

- Standardized stack platforms
- Single order production
- 'Project-by-project' business without stock-keeping

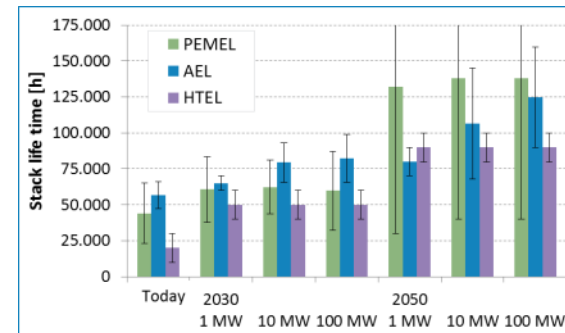
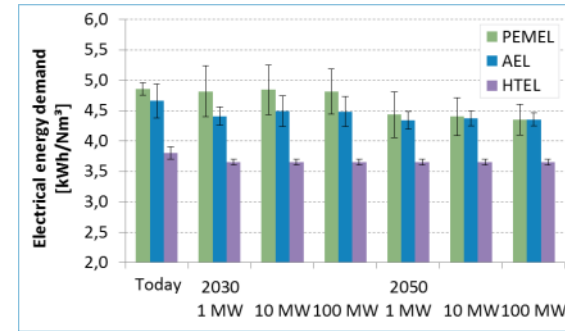


*Possible production volume in 2020 per manufacturer, provided that corresponding market demand exists*

# Industrialization water electrolysis – Electrical energy demand and stack life-time

Stack life time    Electr. energy demand

- Feedback partially contradictory (respondents applied different system boundaries)
  - PEMEL higher than AEL → adjusted in 2050
  - HTEL shows better (electrical) efficiency
    - But steam is required (ca. 200 °C)
  - No substantial improvement in 2030/50
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- Stack life-time in operating hours
  - Uncertainties (see standard deviation)
  - Ambitious expectations in this survey
    - 20 – 30 years @ 4.000 h/a (full load)
    - Missing confirmation from literature
  - Stack replacement required over total life-time



Black bars indicate the standard deviation.

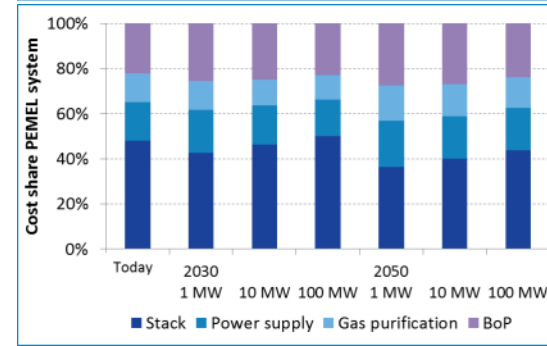
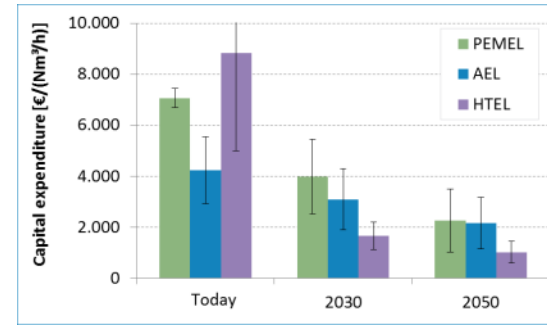
# Industrialization water electrolysis – Capital expenditure and cost break down

## CAPEX

- Low CAPEX still main selling point!
  - Price pressure on the market with tenders for large systems
- Future cost parity between PEMEL and AEL
- Ambitious CAPEX projection for HTEL
  - Potentially low cost, but high uncertainty

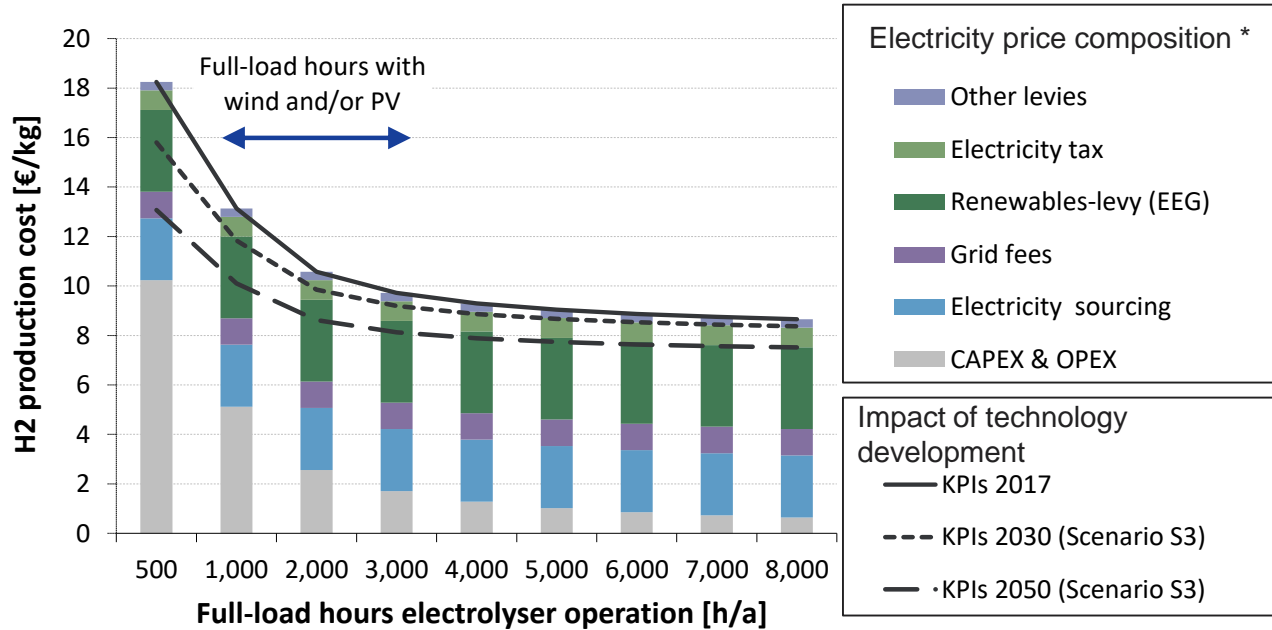
## Cost breakdown

- Feedback in agreement with literature
  - Stack dominant, but less than 50 %
  - Power supply 2<sup>nd</sup> major cost contributor
  - Stack share increases with system size
- Similar results for AEL systems
- Insufficient responses for HTEL systems



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# Industrialization water electrolysis – Cost aspects for hydrogen production



\* 15,4ct/kWh average electricity price for industrial users in 2016 for annual consumption of 0.16 to 20 million kWh. Mid-voltage level connection 100kW/1.600h to 4.000kW/5.000h. Source: „BDEW Strompreisanalyse 2018“