



# **R&I Workshop: Opportunities, Challenges and Way Ahead**

04.08.22



# Agenda



- Welcome and Introduction of the Clean Hydrogen Mission : Madhu Madhavi, BEIS, UK
- Cost Reduction Potential for clean hydrogen – an overview from IRENA : **Herib Blanco**, IRENA
- Analysis of main challenges for rapid H2 deployment : **Paul Lucchese**, Hydrogen Technology Collaboration Programme
- A global overview of Hydrogen RD&D : **Dan O’Sullivan and Vicky Au**, CSIRO, Australia
- Global industry perspective : **Daria Nochevnik** , Hydrogen Council
- Hydrogen Testing and Production Blueprint: Gap Analysis and Next steps : **Robert Sorrell**, Henry Royce Institute, UK
- Discussions & Launch of Working Groups.

# The Clean Hydrogen Mission

## Overview

- **The Challenge:** Clean hydrogen has the potential to decarbonise hard to abate sectors, such as industry and heat, which are responsible for two thirds of global emissions and help unlock the full potential of renewable energy. However, today it is up to three times more expensive than hydrogen produced directly from fossil fuels.
- **The Goal:** to increase the cost-competitiveness of clean hydrogen by reducing end-to-end costs to USD 2 per kilogram by 2030
- **The Mission:** We will catalyse cost reductions by increasing research and development in hydrogen technologies and industrial processes and delivering at least 100 hydrogen valleys covering production, storage and end-use worldwide by 2030, to unleash a global hydrogen economy.

## International Partners:

- IPHE,
- Clean Energy Ministerial (Hydrogen Initiative),
- UNFCCC (Green Hydrogen Catapult),
- World Bank Group (Energy Sector Management Assistance Program),
- World Economic Forum (Accelerating Clean Hydrogen Initiative),
- Hydrogen TCP (Technology Cooperation Programme)

## Co-leads



Australia



Chile



European Union



United States



United Kingdom

## Members



Germany



Saudi Arabia



Austria



Canada



China



France



India



Italy



Japan



Morocco



Norway



Republic of Korea



United Arab Emirates



Finland



Netherlands



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# Mission Pillars

- To achieve its goal, the Mission is working through a three-pillar structure.
- The Mission will be aligned and coordinated with other R&I programmes, private sector, and international organisations.
- The Mission, with its members, will focus on specific actions to foster innovation and develop strategies to achieve its overarching goals.

Clean hydrogen 2 USD/kg

## Research and innovation



Focus on innovation in technologies and industrial processes that unlock cost reductions

Support to the Demonstration pillar

## Demonstration (incl. Hydrogen Valleys\*)

Large scale demonstration projects

Systemic approach covering hydrogen production, storage, transportation and end use



## Enabling environment

Cooperation with other initiatives to identify and overcome deployment barriers, e.g. standards, regulations, demand-pull



Production



Transport and distribution



Storage



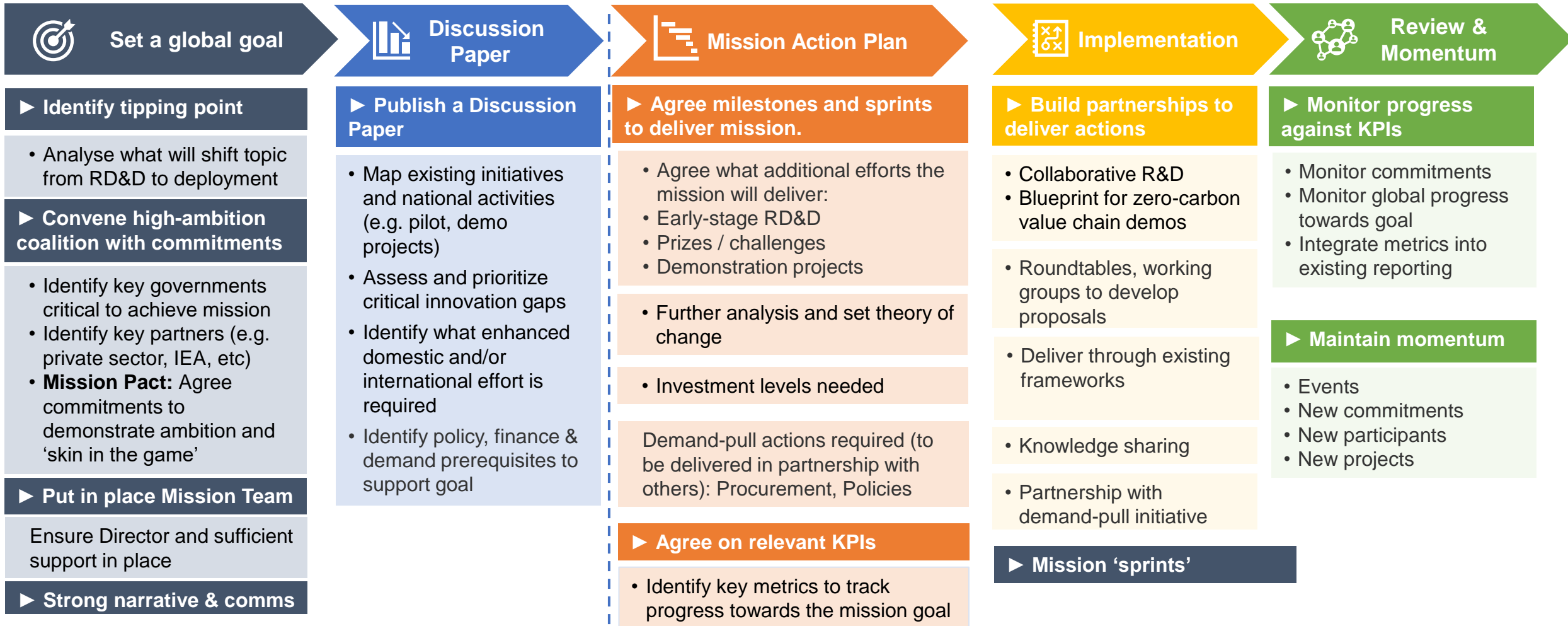
End-use

\*A Hydrogen Valley is a geographical area (a city, a region, an island or an industrial cluster) where several hydrogen applications are combined together into an integrated hydrogen ecosystem that consumes a significant amount of hydrogen, improving the economics behind the project. Hydrogen valleys are referred to as hydrogen hubs in some countries. The Mission will include international, national, regional, local and sectoral hydrogen valleys.



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# Clean Hydrogen Mission Blueprint



Launch Mission

Publish report

Roundtable to agree Action Plan & announce specific commitments to develop activities

Ongoing work programme

Annual Ministerial Roundtables to review progress and agree new actions and activities

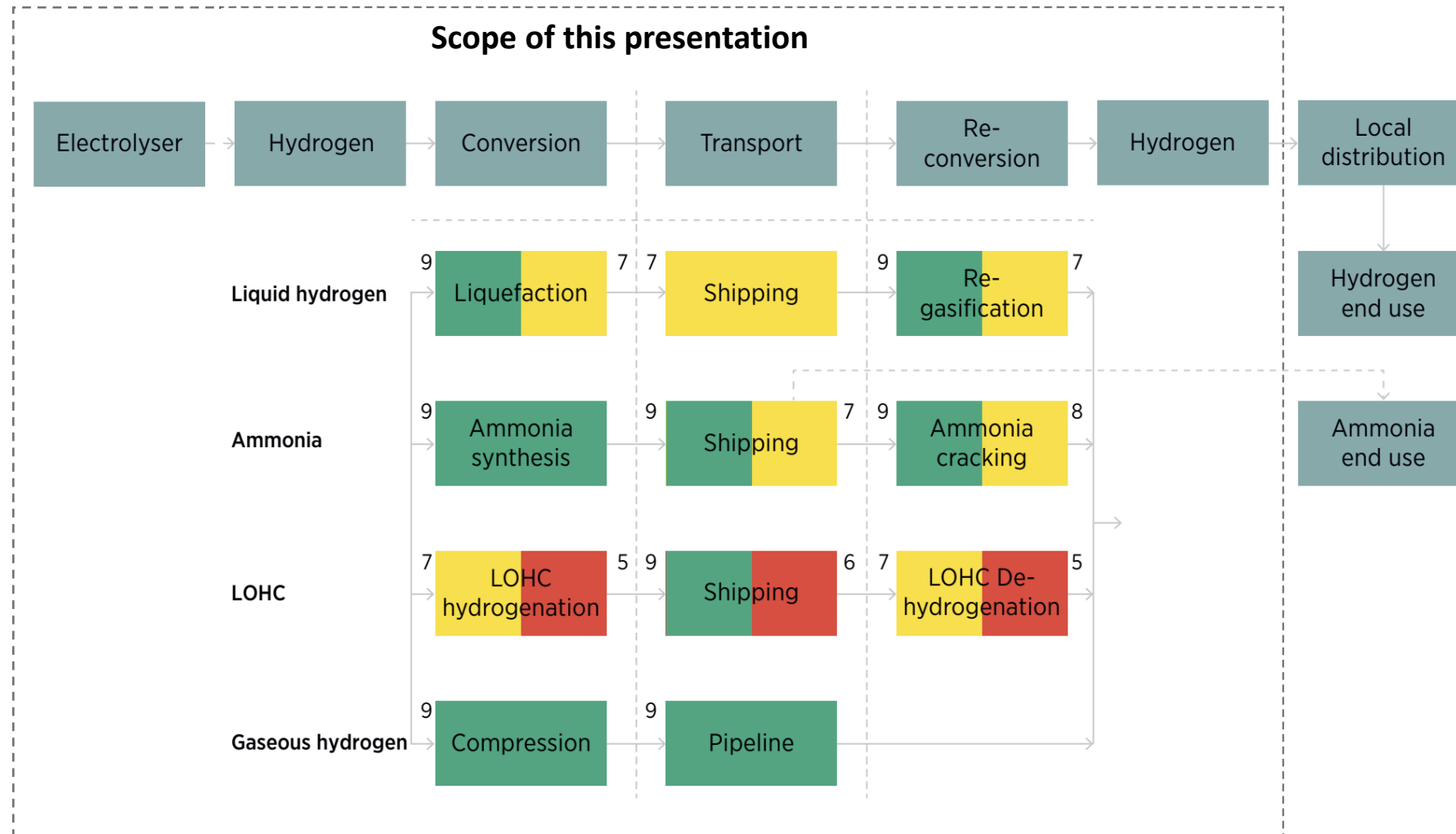
# Cost reduction potential and research gaps

**Herib Blanco**

IRENA Innovation and Technology Center

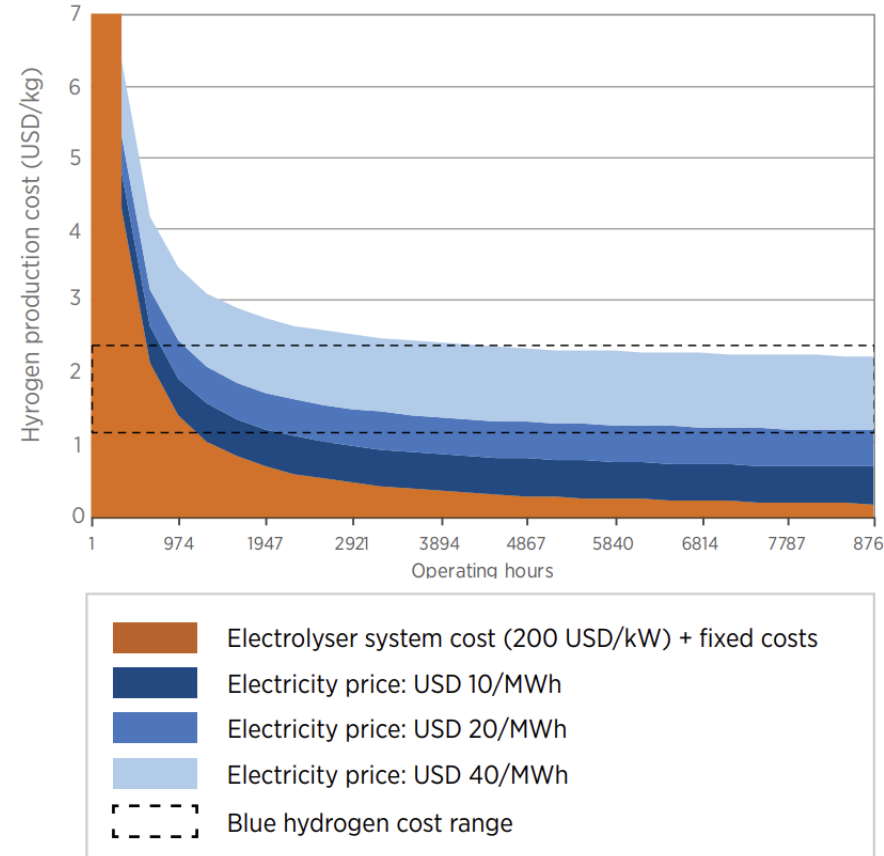
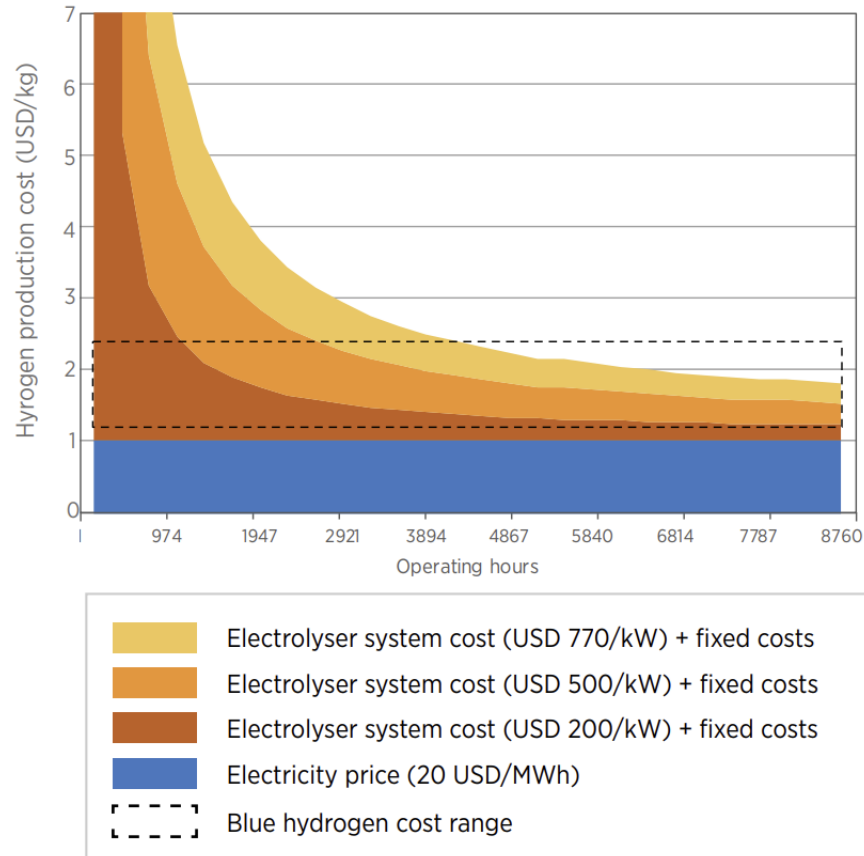
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# Scope of the presentation is on renewable hydrogen production and long-distance transport

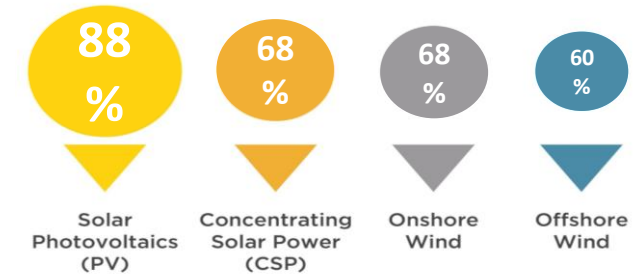




# Production cost is driven by electricity cost which is already on a sustained decreasing trend

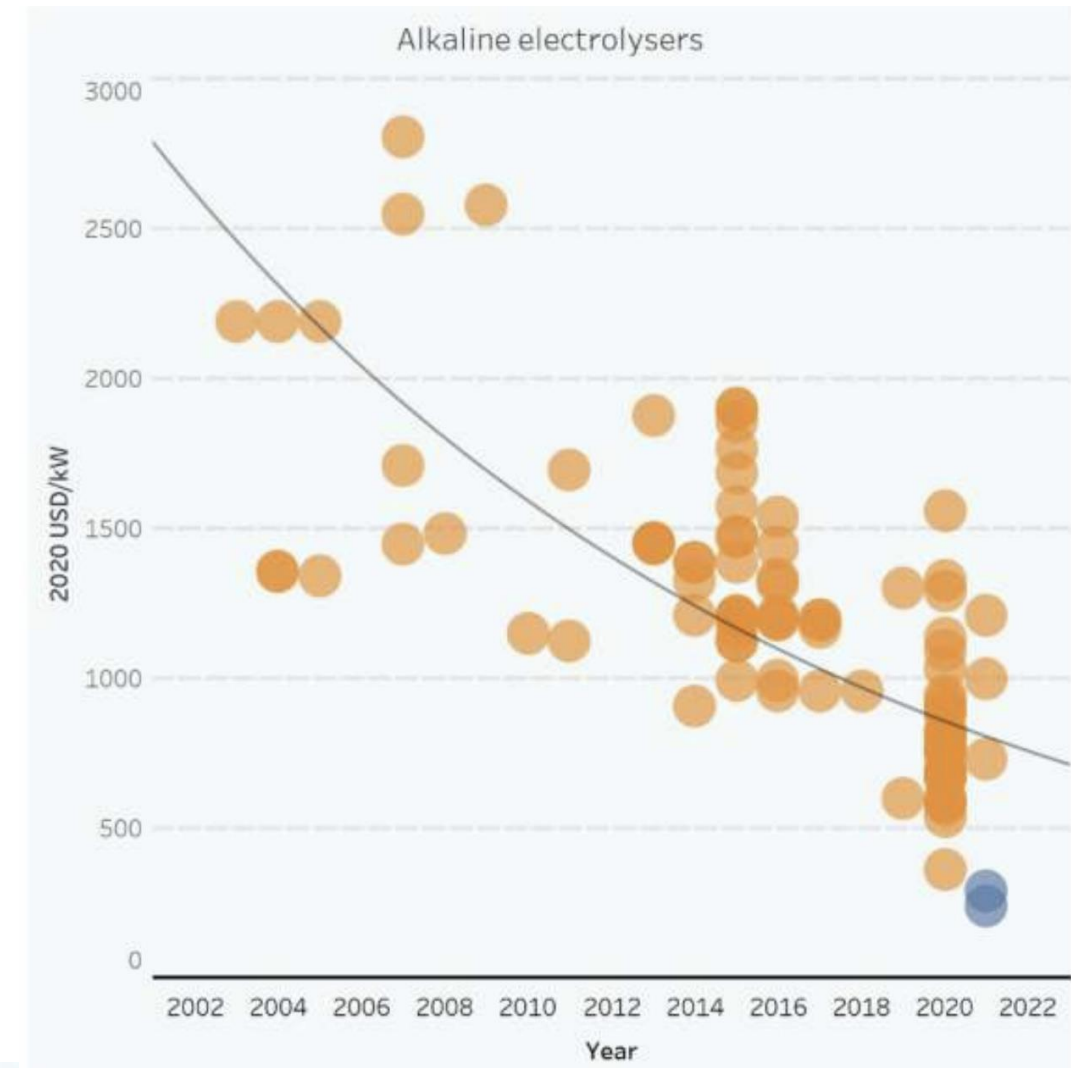
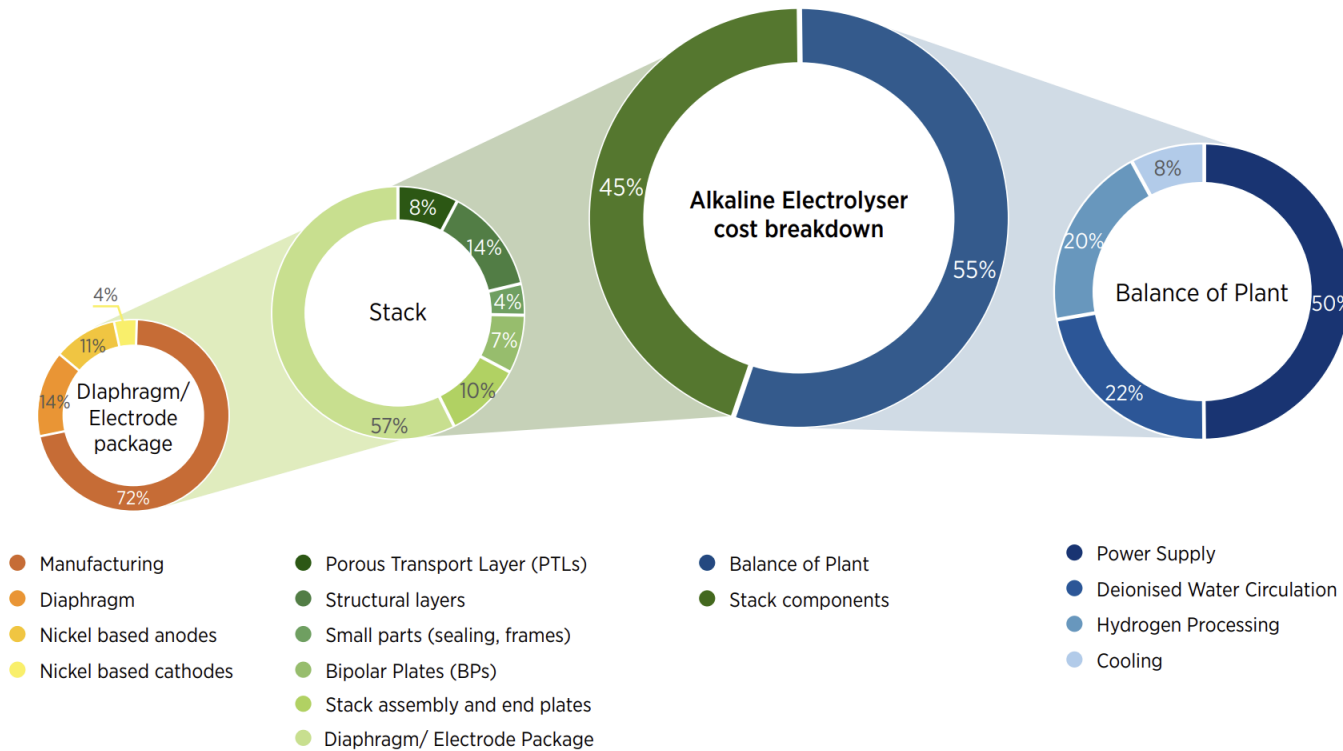


## Electricity cost 2010-2021





# Electrolyzer cost is more than the stack and it has decreased by over 90% since 2005



# There are multiple strategies to reduce electrolyzer costs tackling different aspects

## 1. Innovation

✓ Materials



✓ Stack design

Efficiency

✓ System design

- Flexibility
- Balance of plant
- Integrated design

Durability Cost

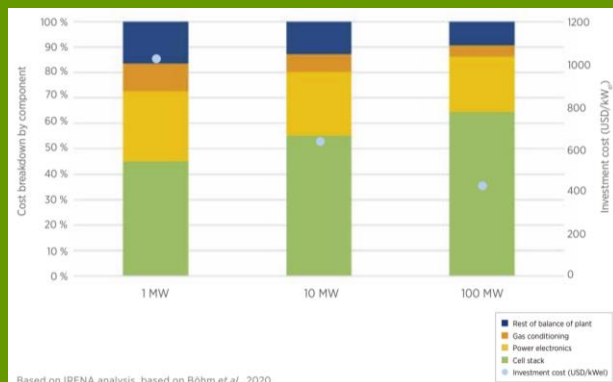
## 2. Scaling up manufacturing

Economies of scale

→ >1 GW/yr

Automatize  
Standardize  
Competition

## 3. Scale up modules



- ✓ > 100-MW projects
- ✓ Low-cost for balance of plant
- ✓ Dependent on application

## 4. Learning by doing

Similar cost  
declining rates  
as solar

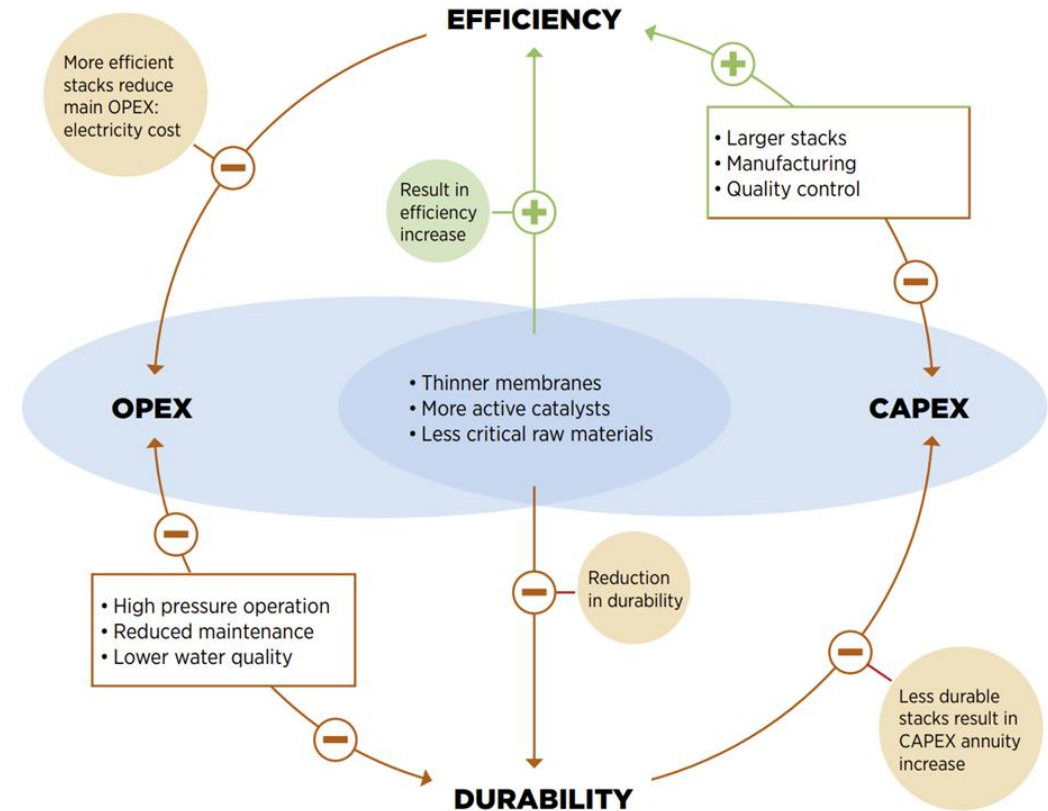
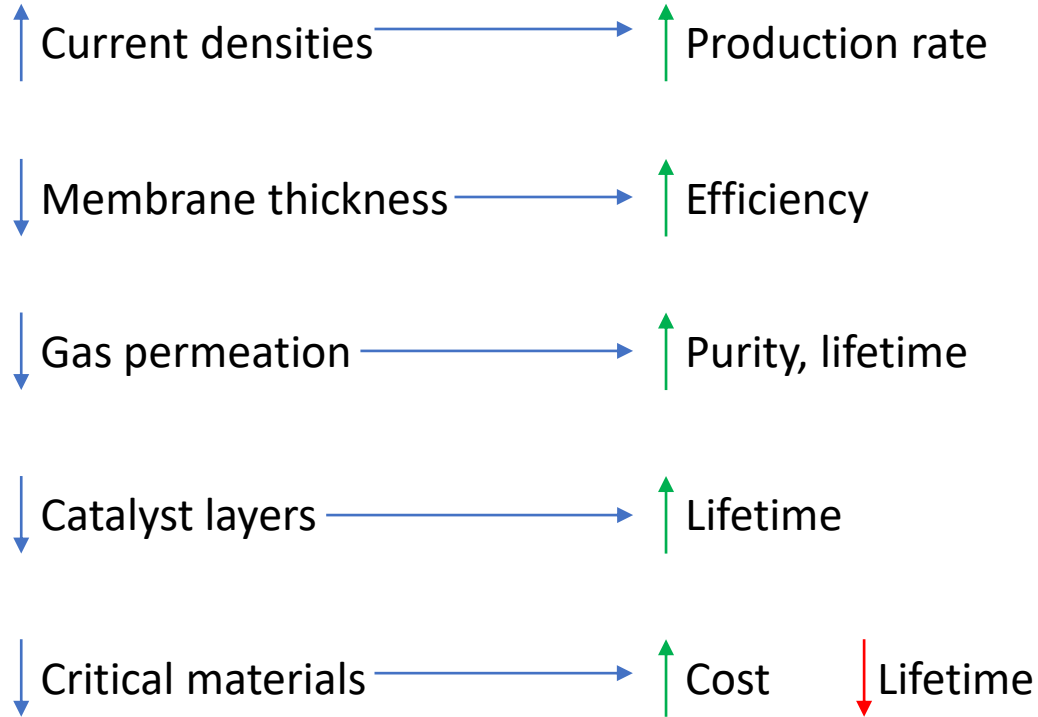
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Capacity  
targets in  
strategies

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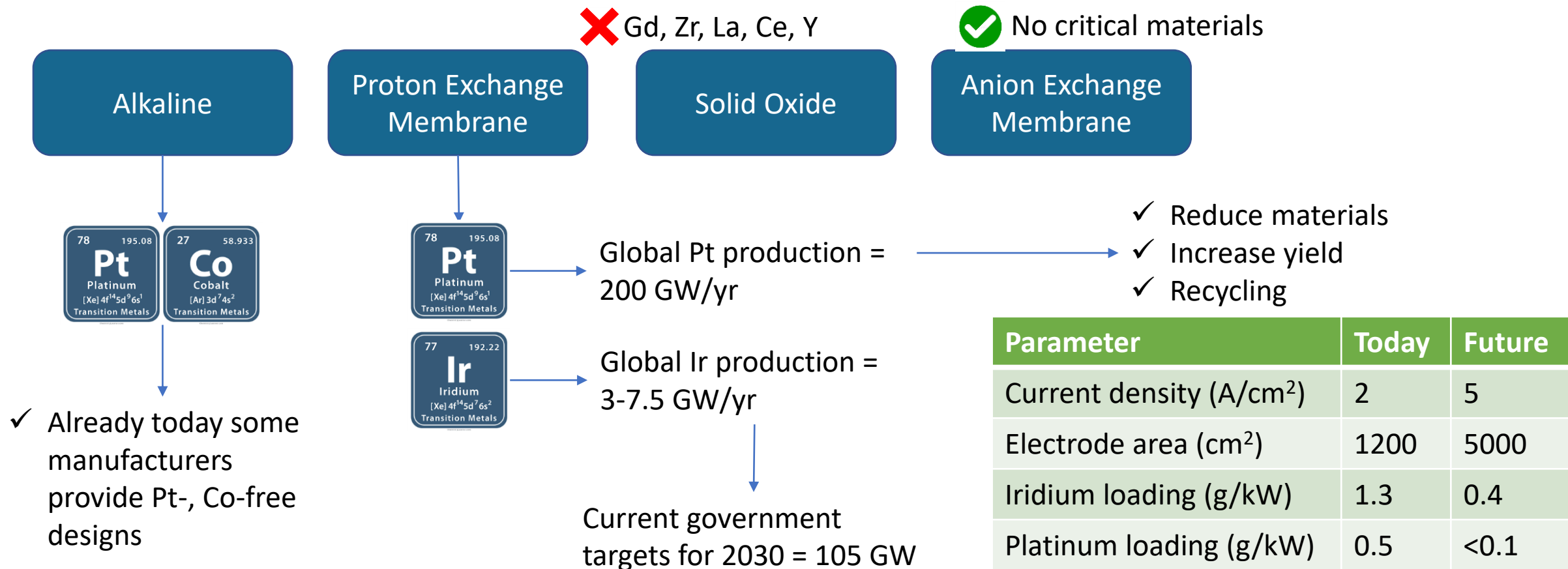
40% cost  
reduction by  
2030

# Innovation is needed to improve performance of the electrolyzer but there are trade-offs



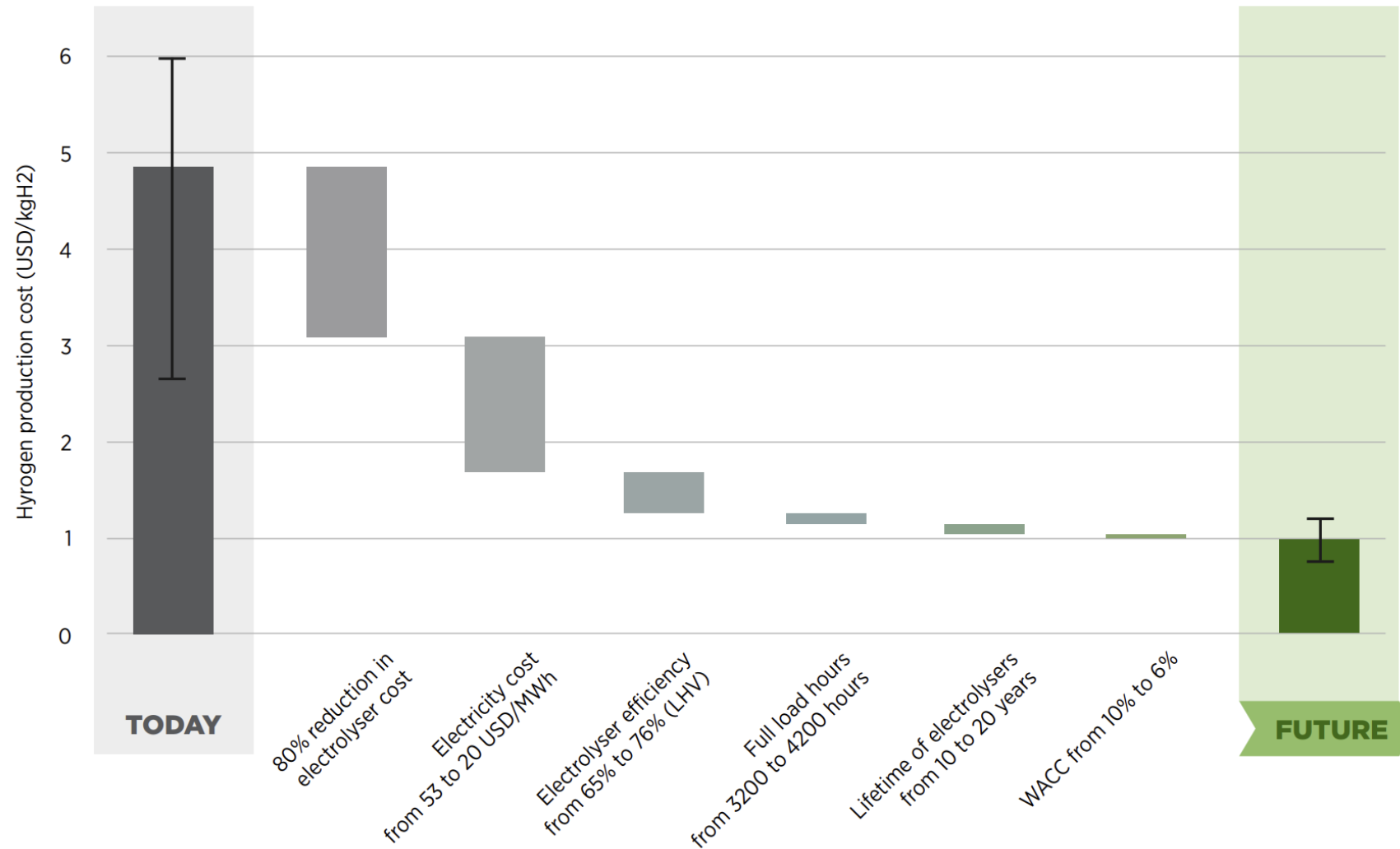
One parameter can usually not be improved without a detrimental effect in another one, which leads to optimizing design based on trade-offs and applications

# Critical minerals can become a barrier for PEM and SOEC if left unaddressed



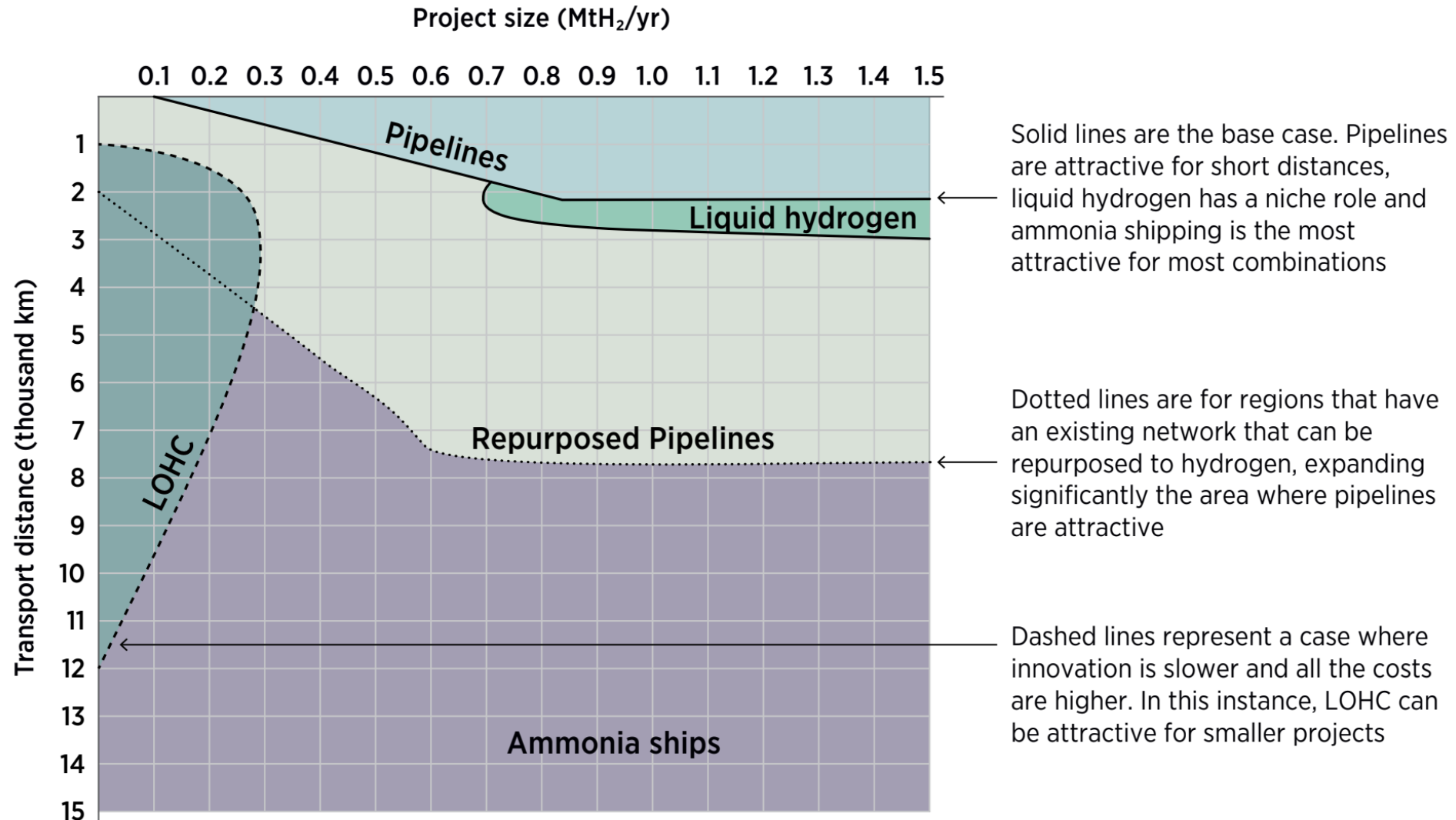
**PEM electrolyzer has the most limitations from materials supply. Several strategies are already part of the research agenda and can help overcoming this barrier**

# With these strategies, production costs could reach levels of around USD 1/kg in the long term

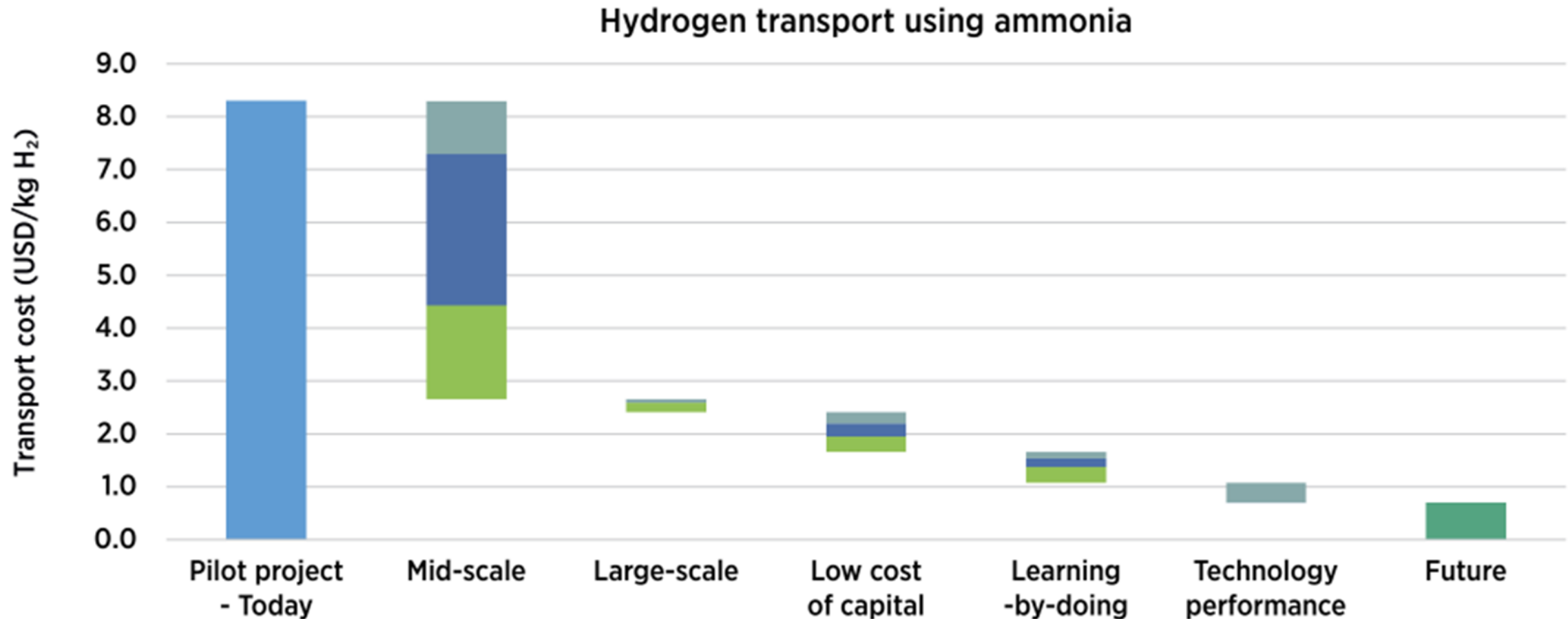




# Pipelines are the most attractive for short distances and ammonia for seaborne transport

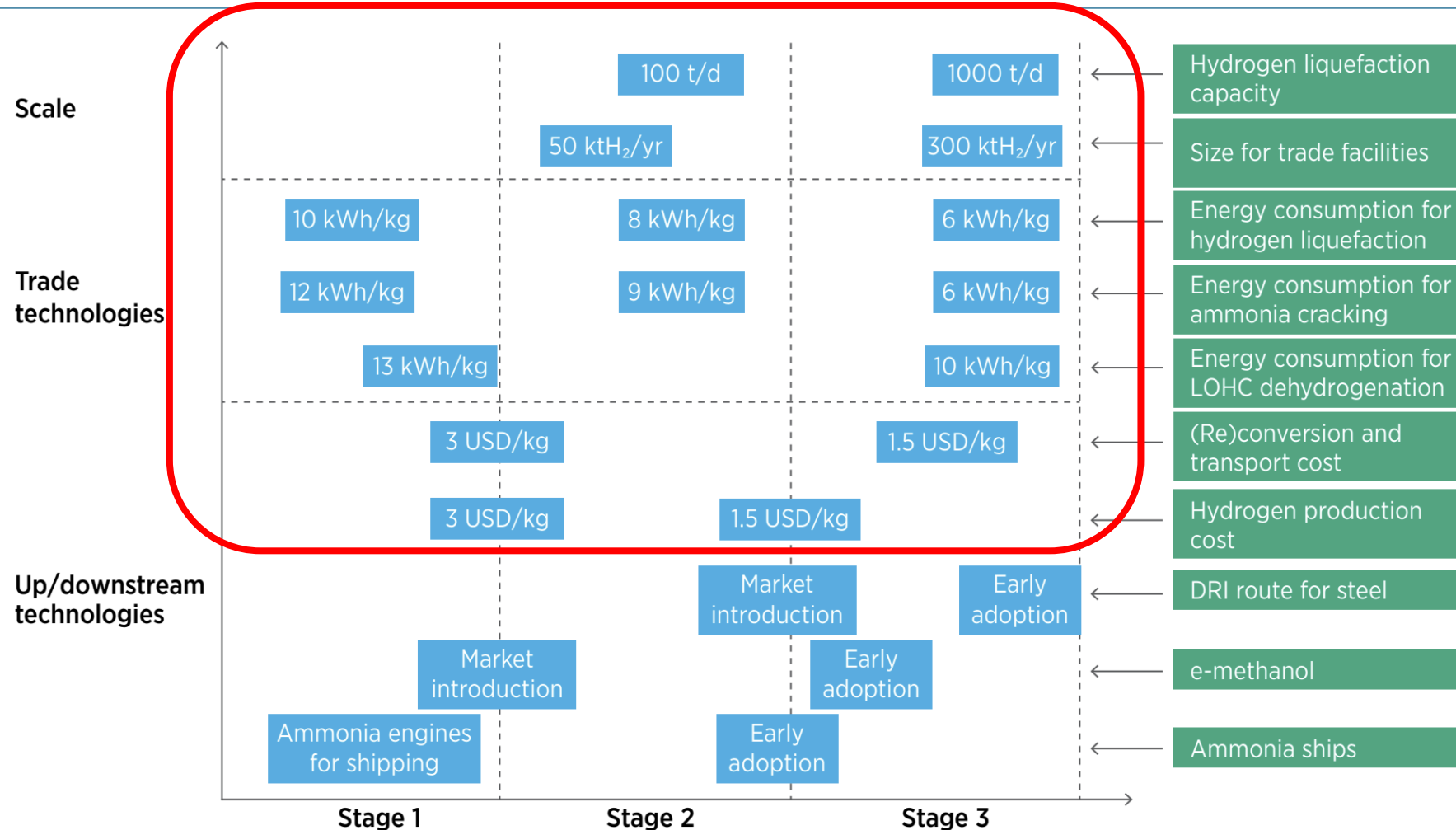


# The largest lever for cost reduction of transport is economies of scale



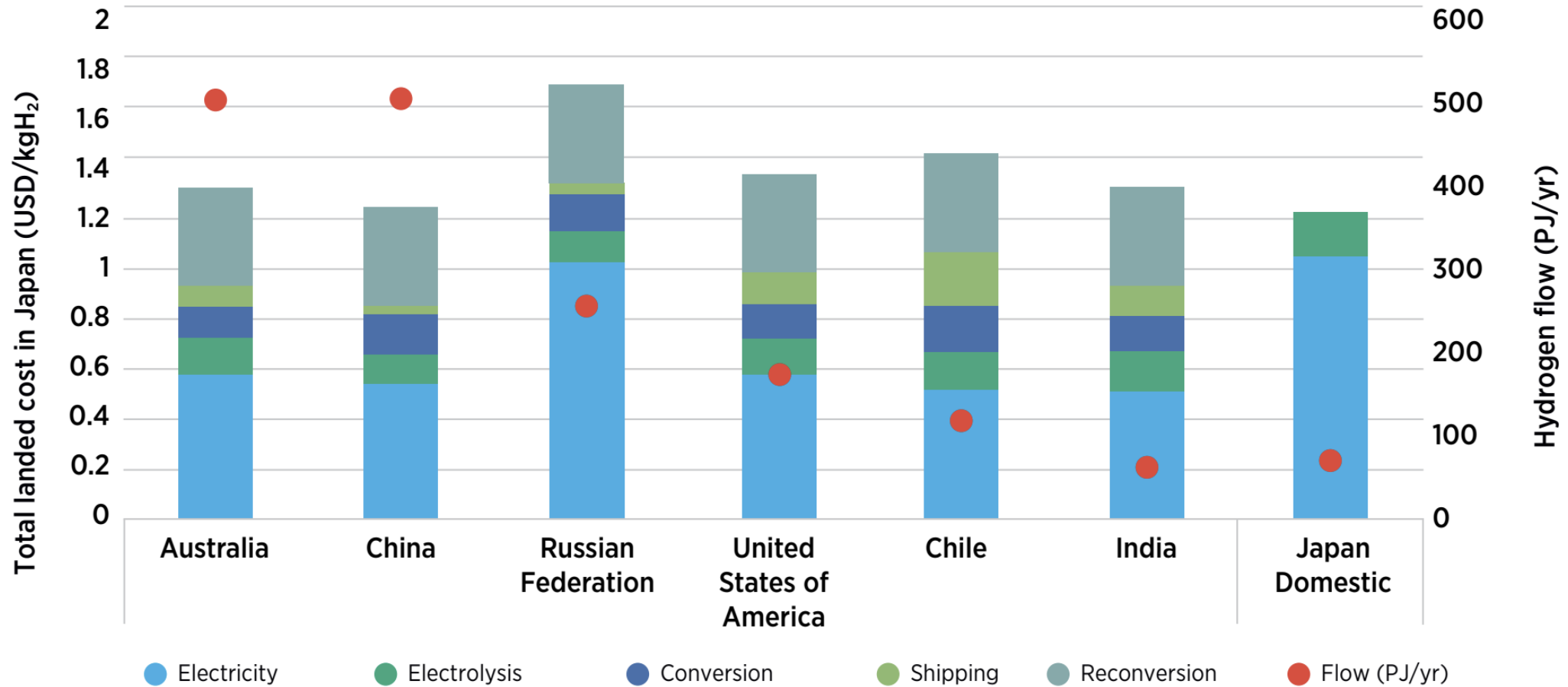


# A critical area for innovation is energy consumption for (re)conversion technologies



Note: DRI = direct reduced iron; LOHC = liquid organic hydrogen carrier; 1 MtH<sub>2</sub>/yr = 10 GW of electrolysis (running 60% of the time)

# If low costs are achieved, each country could have multiple trading partners within a narrow range



Note: 2050 scenario with low costs for production and transport

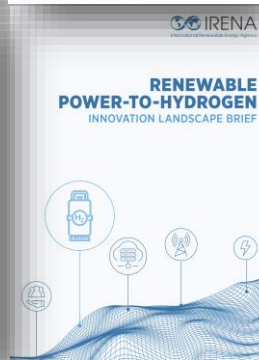
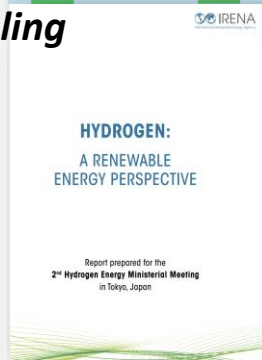
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## Supply

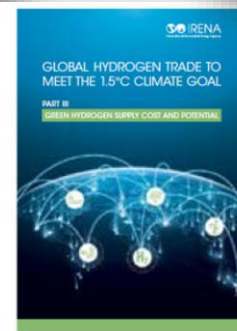
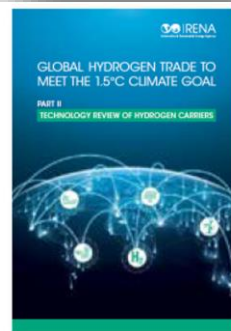
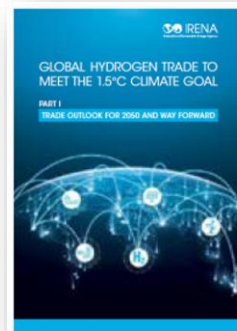
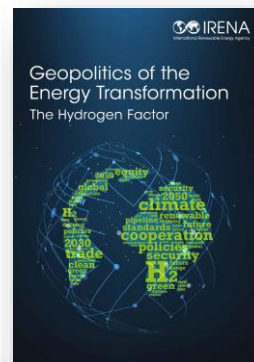
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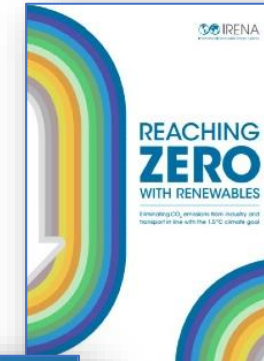
### *Sector coupling*



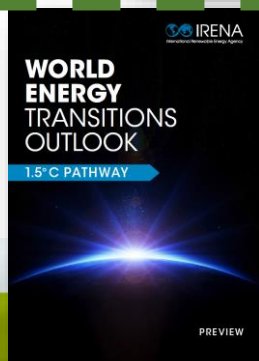
## Trade



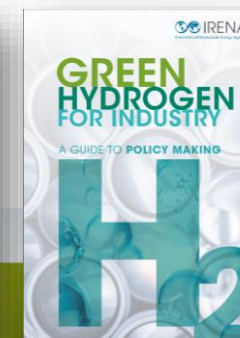
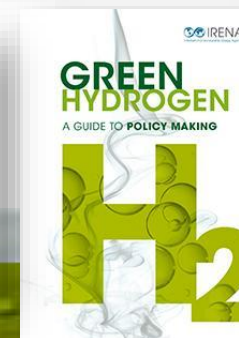
## Demand



## Cross cutting



## Policies





# Main challenges for rapid hydrogen deployment

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4<sup>th</sup> August 2022

Paul Lucchese, Hydrogen TCP Chair

# The Hydrogen TCP in a nutshell

Established in **1977** under the auspices of the [IEA](#) to pursue international collaborative research in hydrogen



# 33

## Members

24 Member Countries  
7 Sponsors  
European Commission + UNIDO

# 40+

## Tasks

4 Ongoing  
39 Finished  
≈ 6 in definition

# 250+

## Experts involved

In collaborative research on  
hydrogen and hydrogen  
technologies



# The immense challenge of scaling up H<sub>2</sub> production

## Our goals...

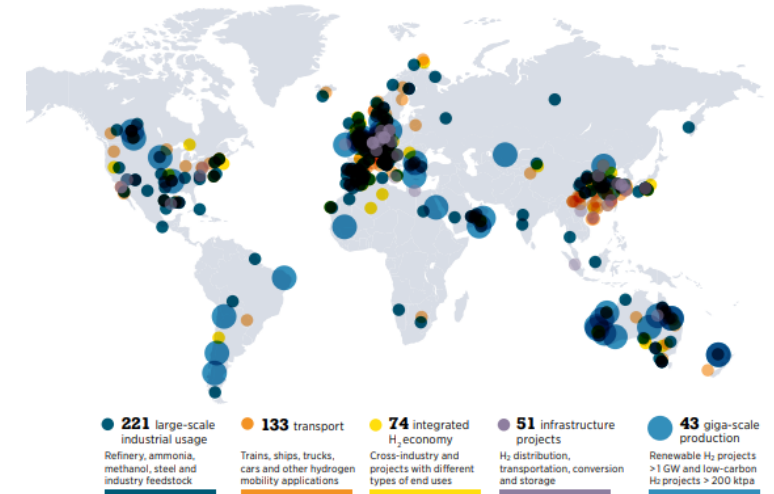
- NZE 2050 scenarios (1,5°C) estimate clean hydrogen production 400 - 800 Mt/year (IRENA, IEA, ETC, BNEF, Hydrogen Council...)
- Need to install 4000-5000 GW electrolysis by 2050
- That means 160 GW/year!

## Vs Where we are...

- The current portfolio of projects is around 280 GW to become in operation in the next decade (that means around 30 GW/year)
- To be on track we would need to launch every year for the next 30 years...  
2,5x "HyDeals" (67GW)  
or 11x "Asian Renewable/Oman Green Energy Hubs" (14 GW)

***Despite an impressive portfolio of projects...  
our pace is still too slow and subject to many hurdles***

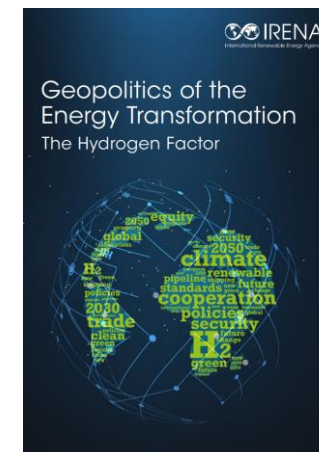
Figure 3.3 Clean hydrogen projects and investment as of November 2021



Source: Hydrogen Council (2021). Map source: Natural Earth, 2021

Note: The figure describes large-scale projects only, including commissioning after 2030. It does not include more than 1000 small-scale projects and project proposals. GW = gigawatt; H<sub>2</sub> = hydrogen; ktpa = kilotonnes per annum.

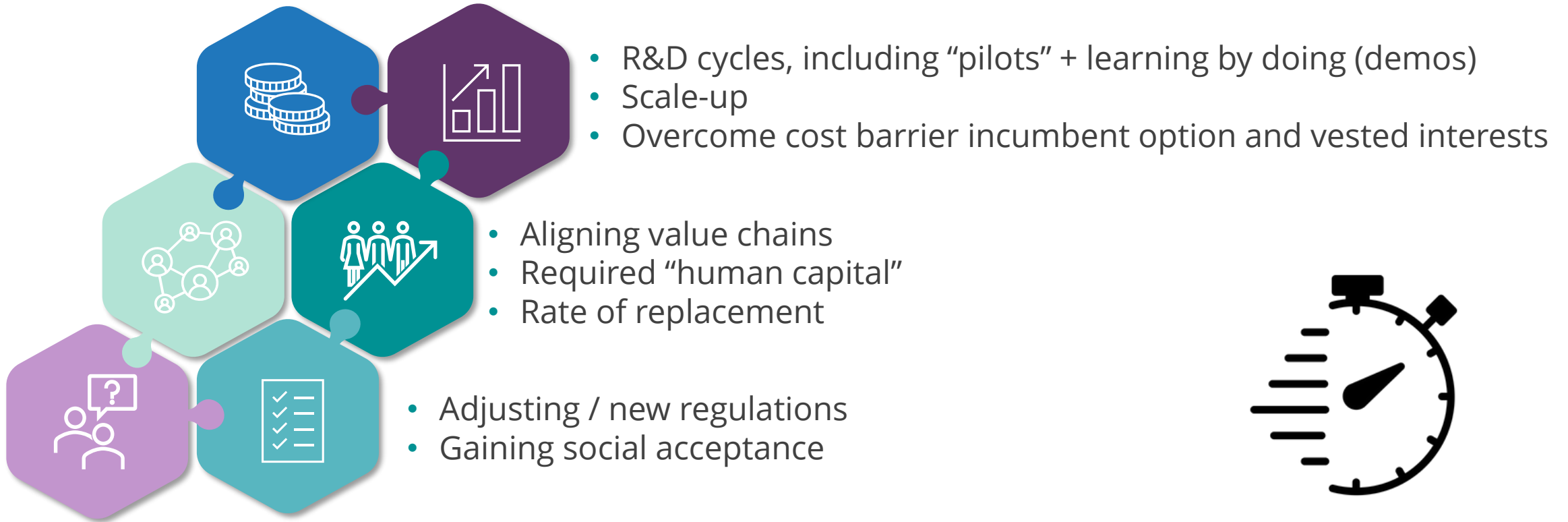
jects



1	HyDeal Ambition (67GW)	Western Europe
2	Unnamed (30GW)	Kazakhstan
3	Western Green Energy Hub (28GW)	Australia
4	AMAN (16GW) <sup>a</sup>	Mauritania
5	Asian Renewable Energy Hub (14GW)	Australia
6	Oman Green Energy Hub (14GW) <sup>a</sup>	Oman
7	AquaVentus (10GW)	Germany
8	NorthH2 (10GW)	Netherlands
9	H2 Magallanes (8GW)	Chile
10	Beijing Jingneng (5GW)	China
11	Project Nour (5GW) <sup>a</sup>	Mauritania
12	HyEnergy Zero Carbon Hydrogen (4GW) <sup>a</sup>	Australia
13	Pacific solar Hydrogen (3.6GW)	Australia
14	Green Marlin (3.2GW)	Ireland
15	H2-Hub Gladstone (3GW)	Australia
16	Moolawatana Renewable Hydrogen Project (3GW) <sup>a</sup>	Australia
17	Murchison Renewable Hydrogen Project (3GW)	Australia
18	Unnamed (3GW)	Namibia
19	Base One (2GW) <sup>a</sup>	Brazil
20	Helios green Fuels Project (2GW)	Saudi Arabia

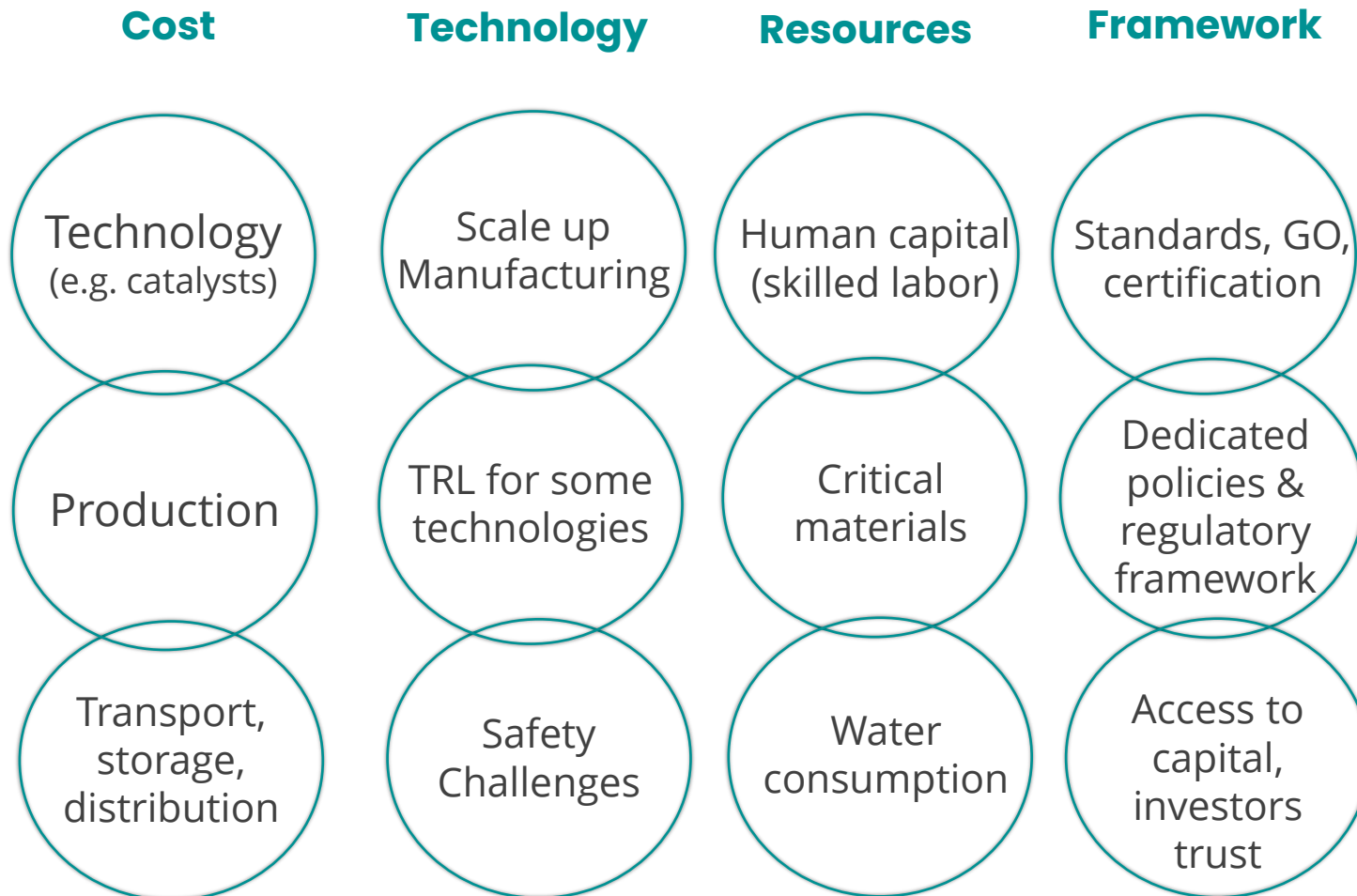
# Main challenges for rapid H<sub>2</sub> deployment

**We are in a race against the clock, but some things just require time...**





# Main challenges for rapid H<sub>2</sub> deployment



## What do we need?

National strategies and **Action Plans**

Public support, specially in **early years**

R & D & **Innovation**

**International collaboration**

# Main challenges for rapid H<sub>2</sub> deployment

## R&D is needed at all stages of development

**R&D in lower TRL:** alternative technologies that could be complementary in the future to our current technological landscape or even outperform some mature technologies. E.g. production pathways, alternatives for storage...

**R&D in higher TRL:** towards optimization, changes in materials, processes... that may result in improved efficiency and/or reduced costs. E.g. testing different catalysts or different quantities of catalyst under different conditions, new materials for the cells in the stacks or new material treatments that result in overall efficiency...

## Why is R&D key for rapid / large –scale hydrogen deployment?

While we focus on implementing already proven and mature technology as soon and as quickly as possible we will need continuous work on **optimizing costs, reliability, durability, energy efficiency and flexibility, as well as scaling-up challenges**, that can only be faced with R&D and alternative thinking.

Additionally, studies to support policy making are important (choice/design policy instruments for effective support; market structure and development etc.) and R&D on cross-cutting issues such as development of safety standards.

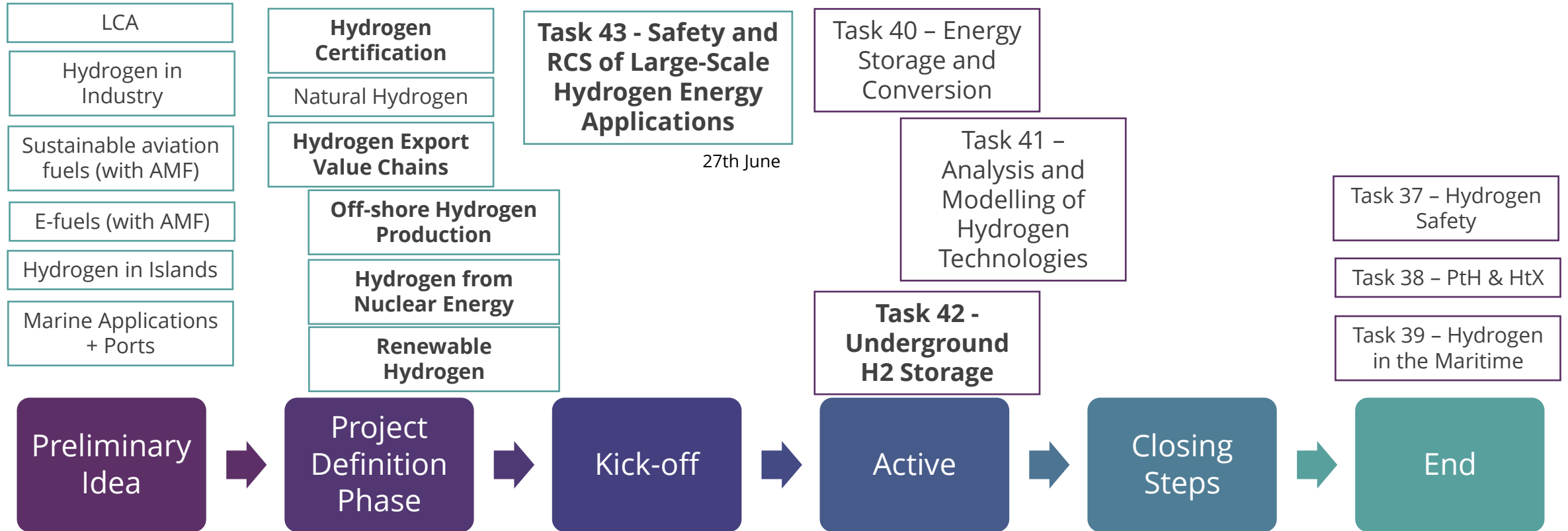
# Why the Hydrogen TCP will play a key role?

- ✓ 40+ years of delivering high-value technical results to the hydrogen community
- ✓ 40+ successful Tasks
- ✓ Historical focus on R&D needs
- ✓ Results and findings publicly available on the Hydrogen TCP website
- ✓ Network of proactive Member States on hydrogen with the capability to mobilize hundreds of experts from around the world for a permanent effort over 3-4 years at a time
- ✓ The Hydrogen TCP covers the whole hydrogen value chain, when not alone in collaboration with...



- ✓ 2022 strategic activity on TRL Assessment
- ✓ The Hydrogen TCP can be the technical/operational branch to other international initiatives who could propose new topics for Tasks for ExCo consideration

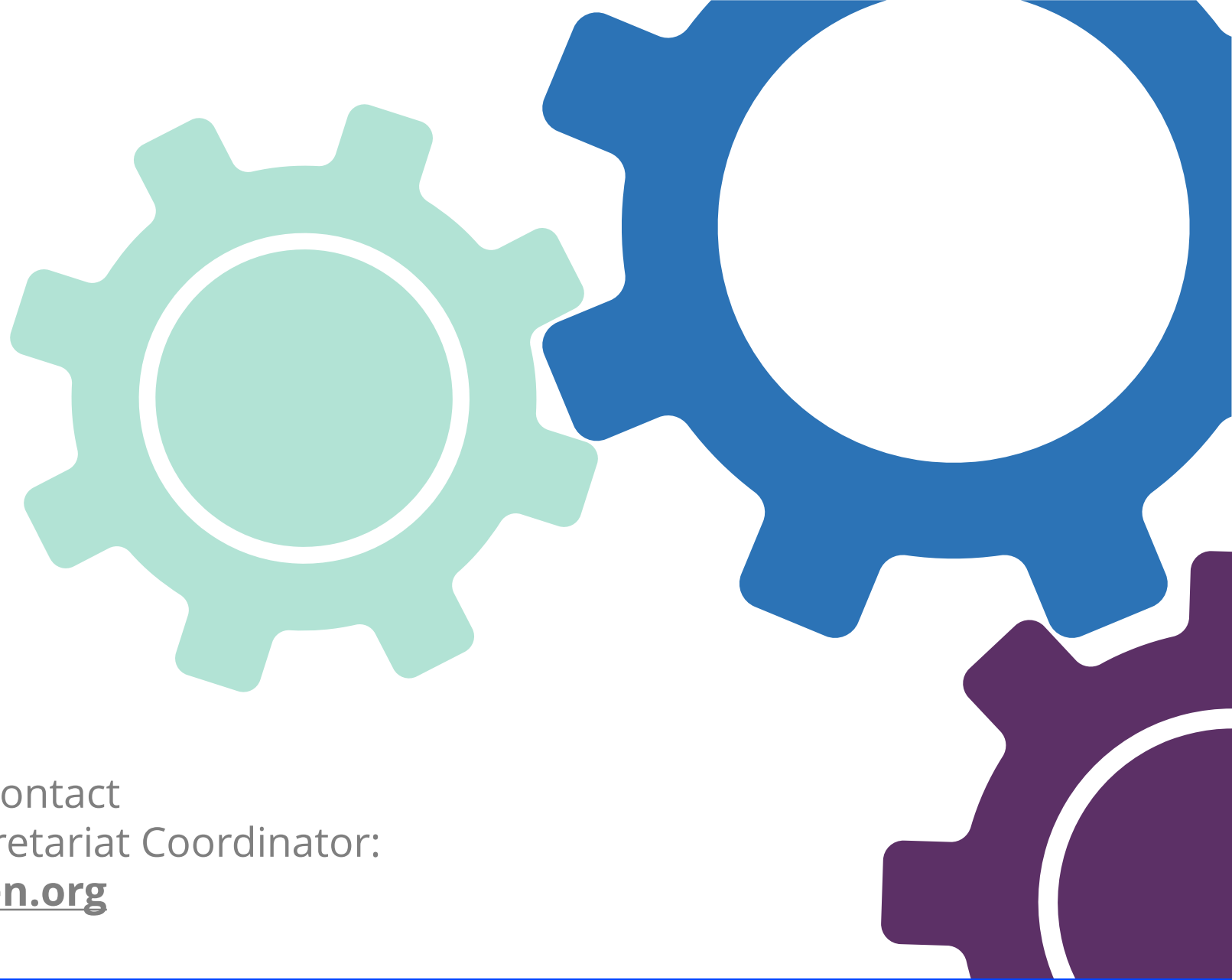
# Task portfolio status (July 2022)



- Document review for other organizations (IEA, other TCPs, international groups...)
- Strategic activities: TRL Assessment, Hydrogen TCP Awards

# Thank You!

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# A global overview of Hydrogen RD&D

## Introduction & context

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# Who we are

## Australia's national science agency



One of the world's largest  
multidisciplinary science  
and technology  
organisations



5,200+ dedicated  
people working  
across 58 sites  
globally



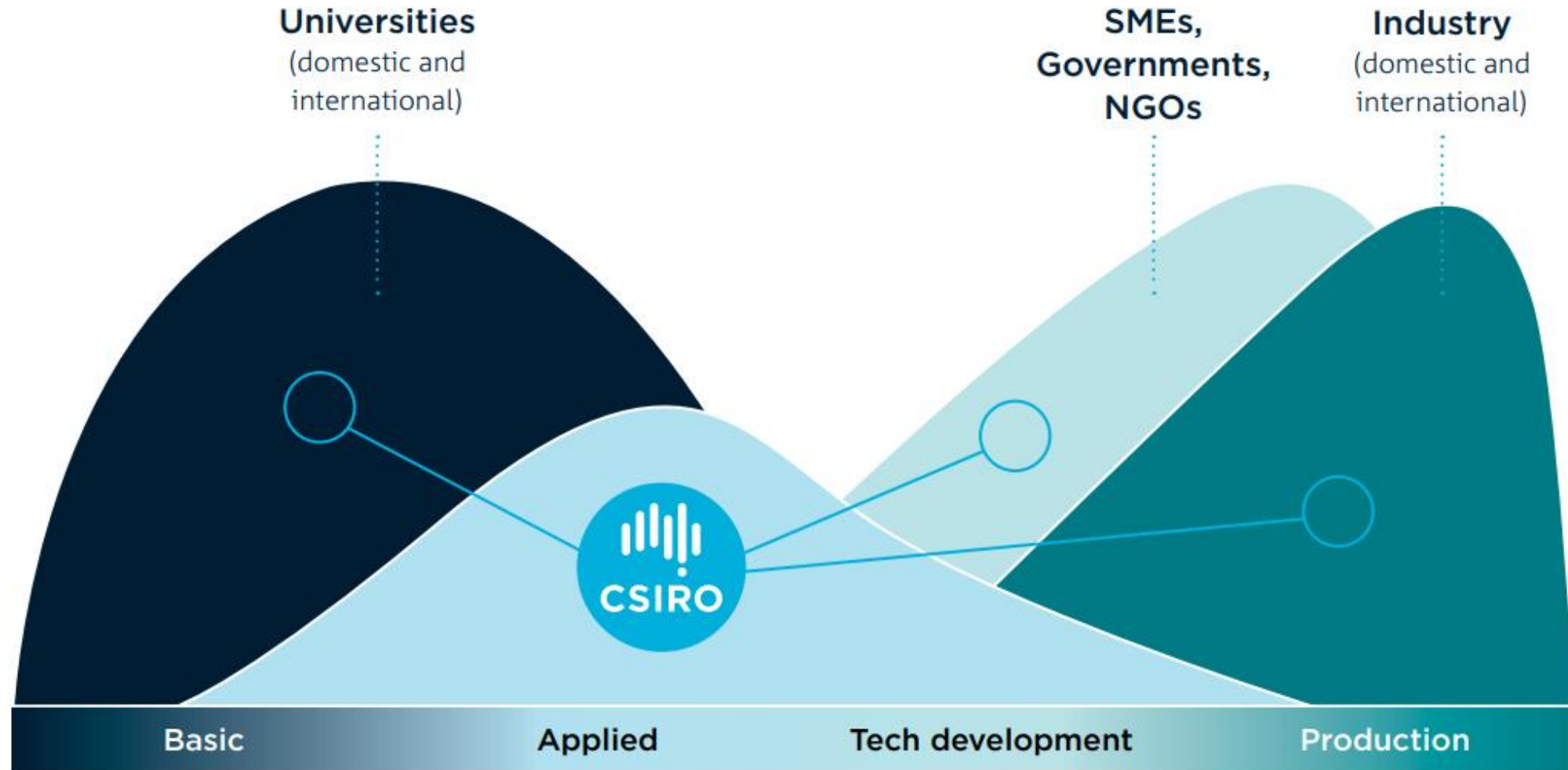
State-of-the-art  
national research  
infrastructure



We delivered  
\$7.6 billion of benefit  
to the  
nation in FY21



# CSIRO works across the innovation system



# CSIRO Hydrogen Industry Mission

A globally competitive Australian hydrogen industry in 2030 by lowering the cost of clean hydrogen to under \$2 per kilogram



## Hydrogen Knowledge Centre

Capturing and promoting hydrogen industry developments. Online modelling tools and educational resources



## Feasibility Studies and Strategy

Trusted strategic & technical advice to de-risk projects in partnership with industry experts and project proponents



## Demonstration Projects

RD&D in support of industrial technology deployment and hydrogen value chain validation



## Enabling Science & Technology

Delivering technological solutions and socio-economic analysis to remove barriers to hydrogen industry scaleup



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# International Hydrogen Research Collaboration

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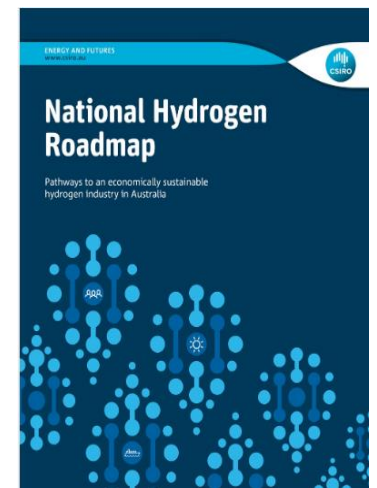
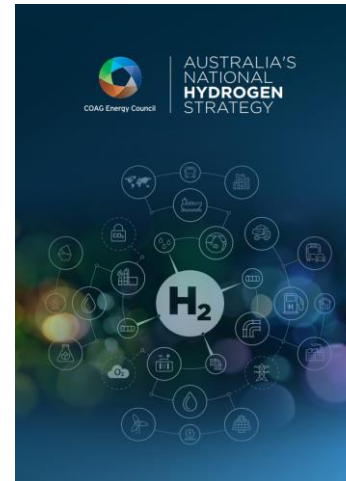


# Why seek H2 international collaboration?

RD&D is required to meet global hydrogen production cost targets and emissions reduction goals, which requires a strategically driven collaborative program.

International collaboration will help:

- Avoid duplication of effort
- Leverage existing capability, infrastructure and talent
- Pool capital and risks
- Support international relationship building



# Hydrogen RD&D collaboration opportunities

The ***Hydrogen RD&D Collaboration Opportunities*** report series provides a global report and 10 detailed country reports to:

- Provide an understanding of countries that are highly active in hydrogen
- Highlight areas of strategic alignment
- Identify RD&D opportunities of mutual interest
- Provide engagement tool H2 RD&D stakeholders to facilitate engagement



## Low Emissions International Partnerships

- \$565.8 million for Low Emissions Technology Partnerships
- Partnerships with India, Japan, Singapore, Germany, UK, and Republic of Korea



## Mission Innovation

- Clean Hydrogen Mission

# Identifying hydrogen RD&D collaboration opportunities

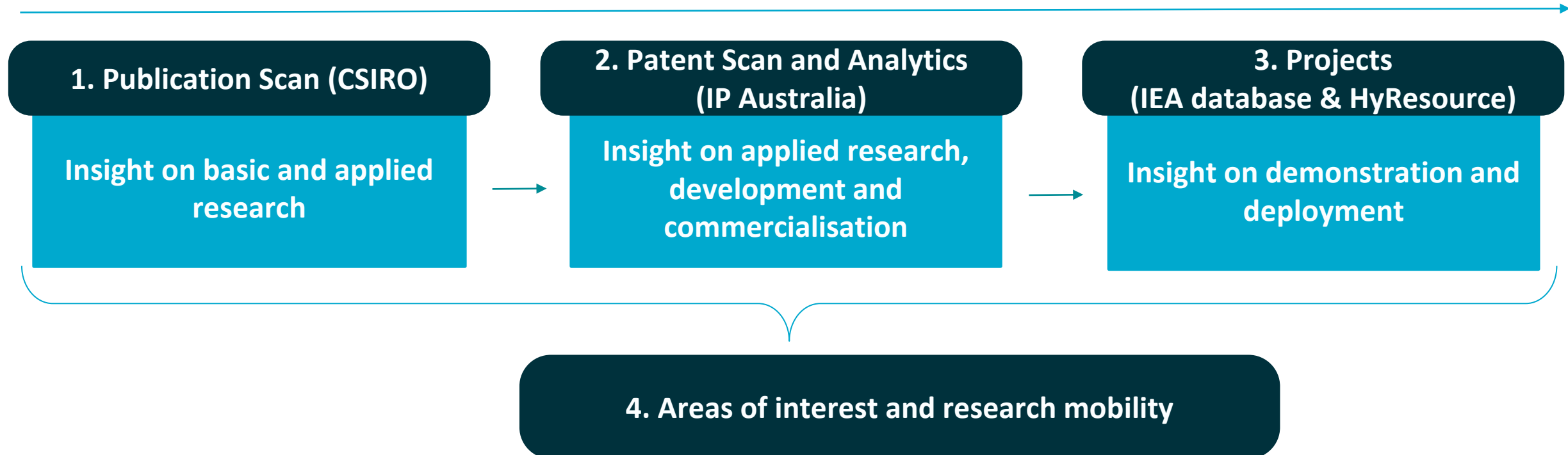
Country reports provide an overlay to compare countries to identify areas of mutual interest and engagement pathways. *What information would help to identify and pursue collaborations?*

<b>Hydrogen Strategy</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Drivers</li><li>• Strategic Priorities</li><li>• RD&amp;D Priorities</li></ul>
<b>Hydrogen RD&amp;D Ecosystem</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Government bodies, research agencies, peak bodies &amp; consortia</li><li>• Funding Mechanisms</li><li>• Other key hydrogen policies, regulation and legislation</li><li>• Domestic hydrogen RD&amp;D programmes and projects</li><li>• Hydrogen RD&amp;D Clusters / Hydrogen Valleys</li></ul>
<b>International Collaboration</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Country approach to international collaboration on hydrogen</li><li>• Formalised international relationships</li><li>• Joint International Hydrogen RD&amp;D Programmes &amp; Projects</li></ul>
<b>Capability Metrics</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Key Players: Patent &amp; Publications landscape</li></ul>

# Assessment approach

*Basic research*

*Commercial Scale-Up*

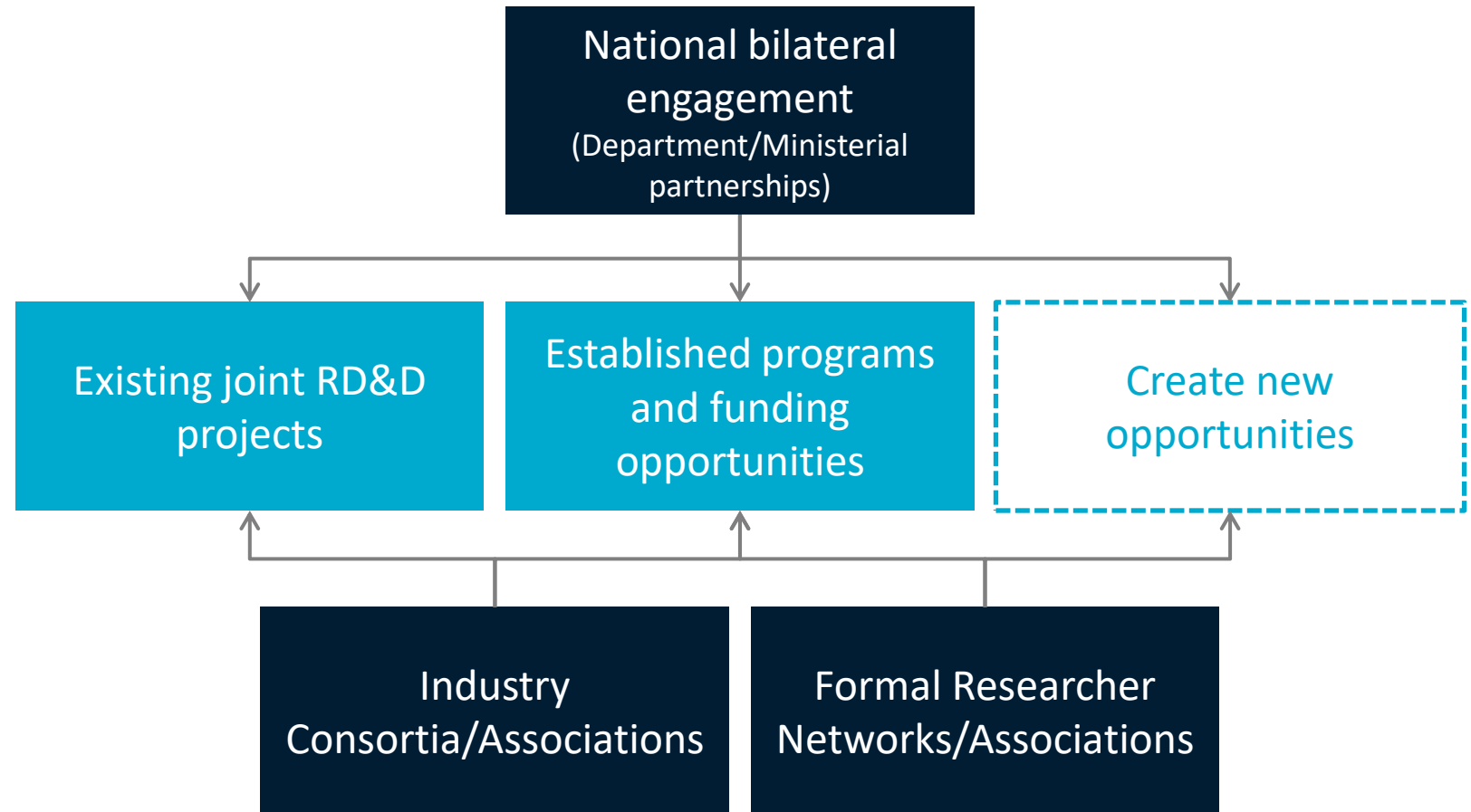




# Forming research partnerships

The following approach was used to identify the engagement pathways for each country:

- **Leverage existing joint RD&D projects** and related relationships and networks. This includes projects in technology RD&D, cross-cutting research, and supply chain studies and demonstrations.
- **Target established programs and funding opportunities** where Australia is eligible to collaborate in overseas programs, and where countries have established international collaboration programs.
- **Create new opportunities** through multi-level, coordinated and tailored engagement (government, research and industry) – can take up 2+ years to set up



## Overview

**Goal:** *To build domestic hydrogen RD&D capability by stimulating international research connectivity and knowledge sharing in support of Australia's hydrogen industry development.*

- Funding: \$5M for 2 years (July 2021-Sept 2023)
- CSIRO led program, working closely with AHRN
- Governance: Steering Committee, AHRN, Industry Advisory Group

## Program elements

### International RD&D scans

Identifying international hydrogen RD&D collaboration opportunities

### Hydrogen Knowledge Centre

Australian Hydrogen RD&D / industry development promotion & knowledge sharing

### RD&D delegations

Enabling international connections for the Australian research community

### Research Exchanges

Supporting early and mid career researchers in leading international hydrogen research labs

### Hydrogen RD&D Conference

Local & international networking & collaboration development

*Encouraging stronger research connections, collaboration pathways, knowledge sharing and international relations between Australia's research institutions and the world's leading international hydrogen research organisations after,*

- *5 delegations this year (5-7 delegates per country)*
- *Followed by up to 40 research fellows completing 3-12 month research activities*
- *Canada, China, India, Rep. of Korea, Singapore also in the mix...*

*Current focus areas...*

**Germany**



*26 September 2022*

**UK**



*3 October 2022*

**Japan**



*5 Dec 2022*

**France**



*3 Oct 2022*

**USA**



*10 October 2022*



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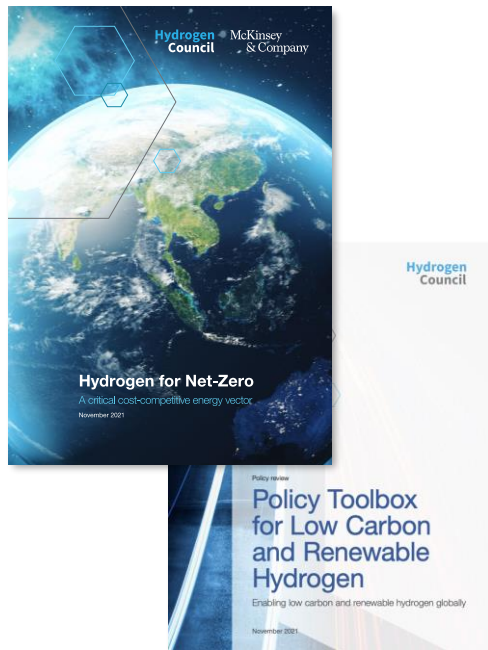
# Global industry perspective

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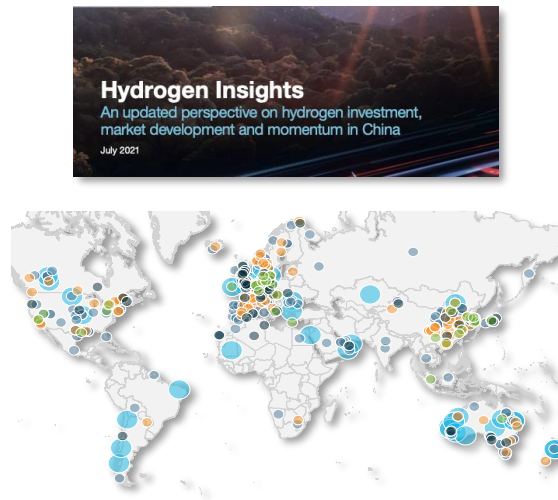
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Council** |

# Who we are

## Thought Leader



## Unique Source of Global Industry Data



## Trusted Partner to Global Organisations



# Program Portfolio

## Sustainability Program

In collaboraiton with our international partners, facilitate the development of

- International industry standards for assessment of H2 sustainability attributes
- Robust tradeable certification systems
- Reporting and disclosure standards

## Industry Evolution Program

- Deliver insights into the evolution of the global industry based on data from >130 industrial leaders in hydrogen
- Provide insights into tangible energy system-wide benefits of hydrogen
- Identify cost-effective patterns for global cross-border trade in hydrogen

## Safety/Regulatory Program

- In collaboraiton with our international partners, facilitate the development of international safety regulations, codes and standards for the industry
- Foster knowledge sharing and best practice exchange in the industry



## Finance & Bankability Program

- Address barriers to project financing through collaboration with the Council's Investor Group members
- Foster knowledge sharing and best practice exchange among international investors



# Unlocking social value of the hydrogen economy

Public-private cooperation will play a key role in unlocking the positive contribution that hydrogen can bring to several UN Sustainable Development Goals, including:

	<b>Good health and well being</b>	⇒ Reducing air pollution
	<b>Diversity, equity and inclusion</b>	⇒ Helping unlock diverse talent pool
	<b>Affordable and clean energy</b>	⇒ A clean and versatile energy vector
	<b>Decent work and economic growth</b>	⇒ Fuelling green growth & deliver sustainable jobs ⇒ Creating opportunities for indigenous communities through employment and new business creation
	<b>Industry, innovation and infrastructure</b>	⇒ Fostering decarbonization of the industry, innovation and deployment of clean infrastructure
	<b>Sustainable cities and communities</b>	⇒ Clean transportation and heating ⇒ Sustainable jobs for local communities
	<b>Climate action</b>	⇒ Key solution to decarbonizing economies



# Hydrogen History is Made January 2022

Left Kobe for Australia on December 24<sup>th</sup>, 2021



Return to Kobe in March, 2022



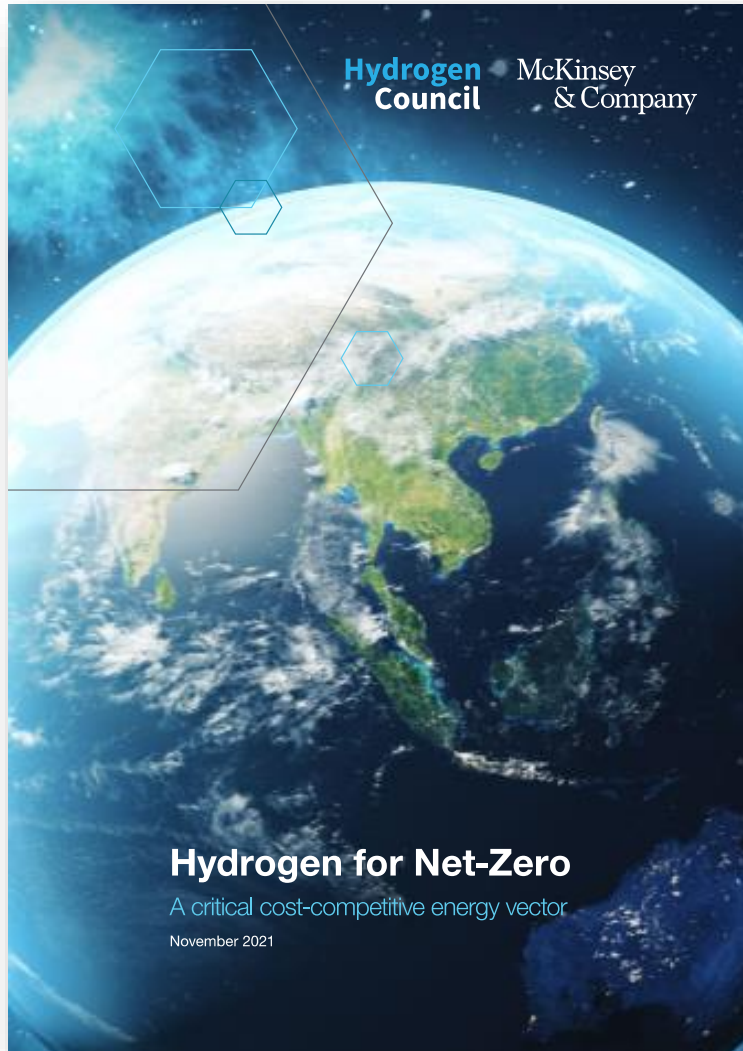
1869 Oil (153y)  
1959 LNG (63 yrs)  
2022 Hydrogen

Maiden Voyage Ceremony at Port of Hastings  
on January 21<sup>st</sup>, 2022

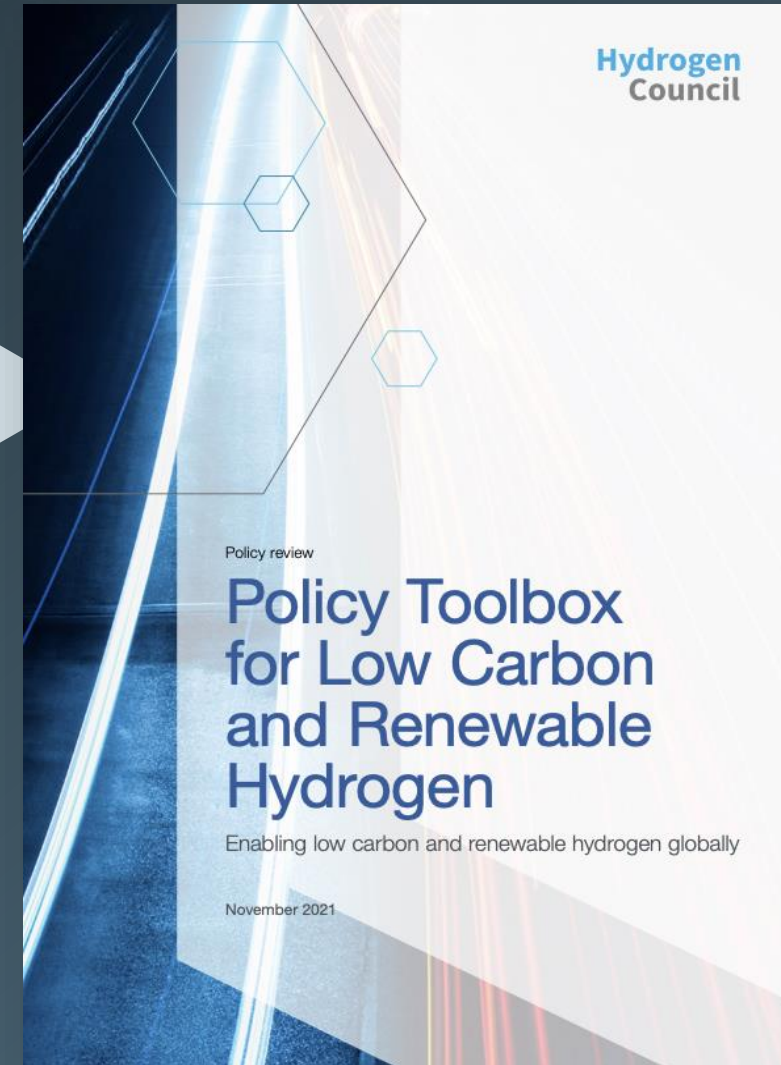


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Hydrogen can provide a cost-effective solution for **>20% of final energy demand by 2050**



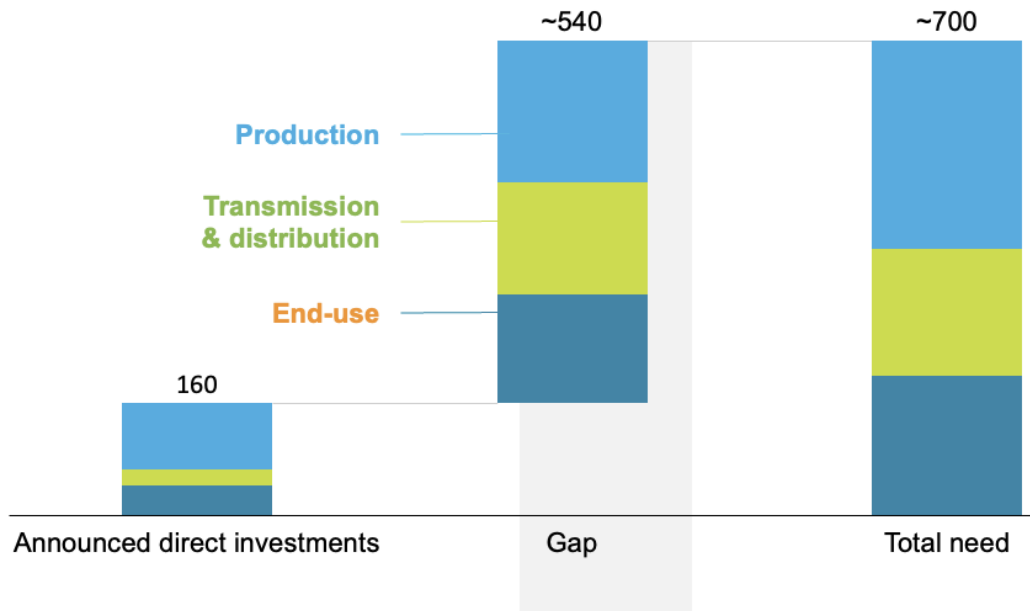
Effective policy design key to unlock the hydrogen potential





# Investment necessary to unlock H2 value chain by 2030

Announced and required direct investments into hydrogen  
USD bn until 2030

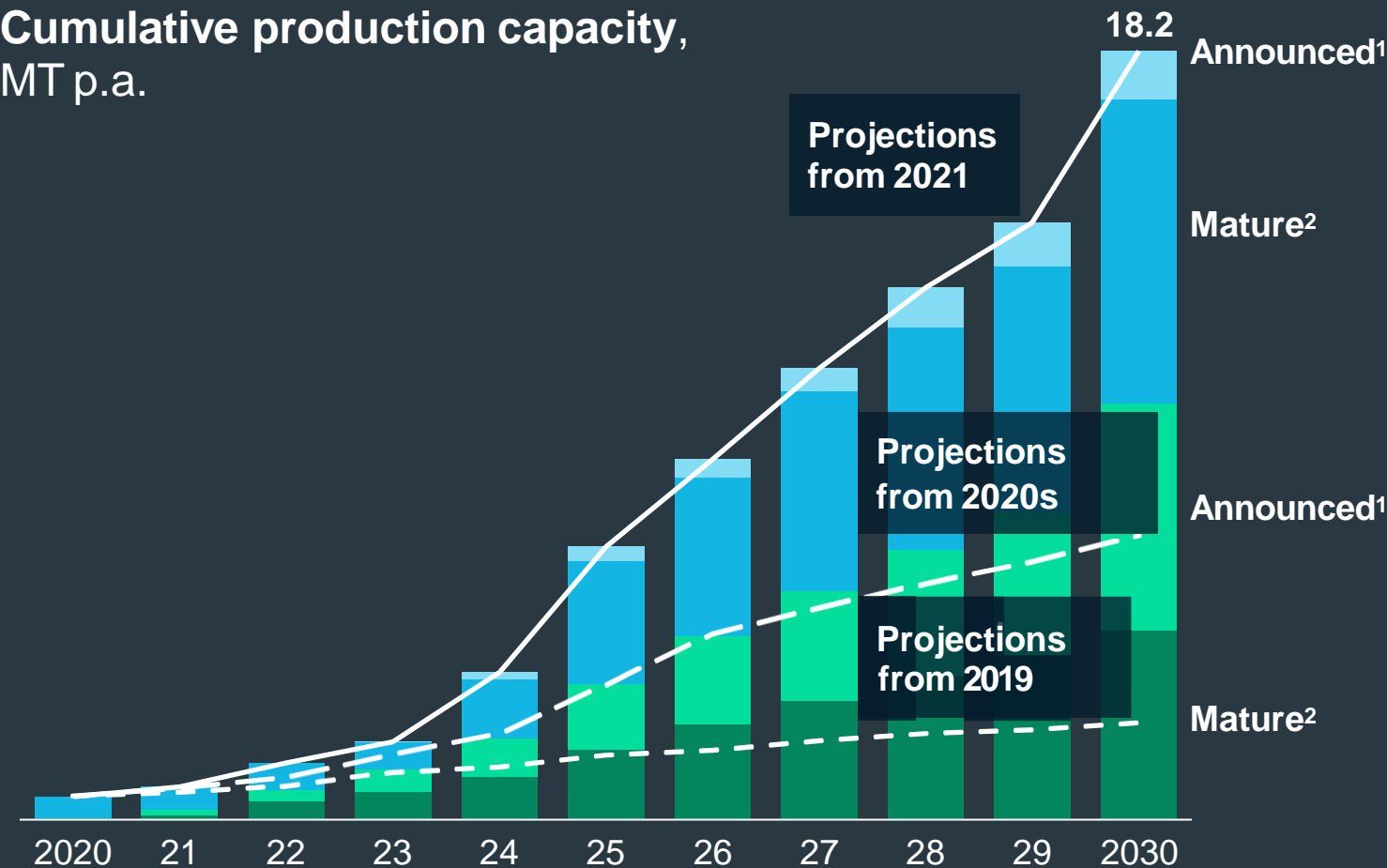


540 bn of investment in the H2 well within reach

= 1/3 of the investments made in renewable energy between 2010 and 2019, or  
= less than 15% of cumulative investments in upstream oil and gas in the same timeframe

# Announced clean hydrogen production capacity more than doubled since January 2021

Cumulative production capacity,  
MT p.a.



Low-carbon  
hydrogen

**3x capacity**

increase in capacity  
announced in the past 9  
months

**93 GW**

electrolysis capacity by  
2030 announced

Renewable  
hydrogen

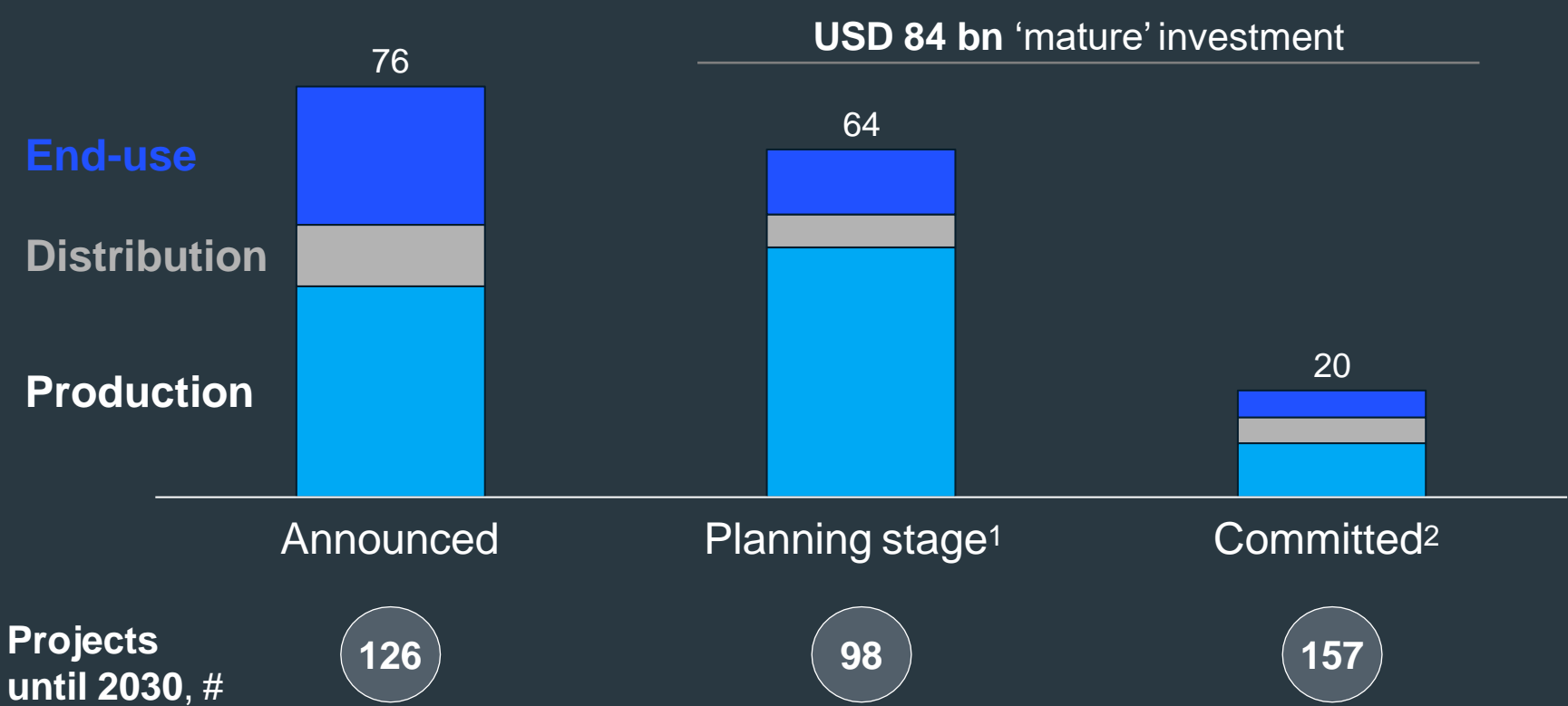
**+13.2 MT**

additional capacity (low-  
carbon and renewable)  
announced for post-2030

1. Preliminary studies or at press announcement stage  
2. Feasibility study, front-end engineering and design stage, final investment decision has been taken, under construction, commissioned

# USD 84 bn of announced direct investments are considered mature

Direct hydrogen investments until 2030,  
USD bn



USD  
160 bn

announced direct private  
investments until 2030

USD  
400+ bn

additional private  
investment to realize  
government targets and  
commitments and indirect  
investment from OEMs and  
suppliers

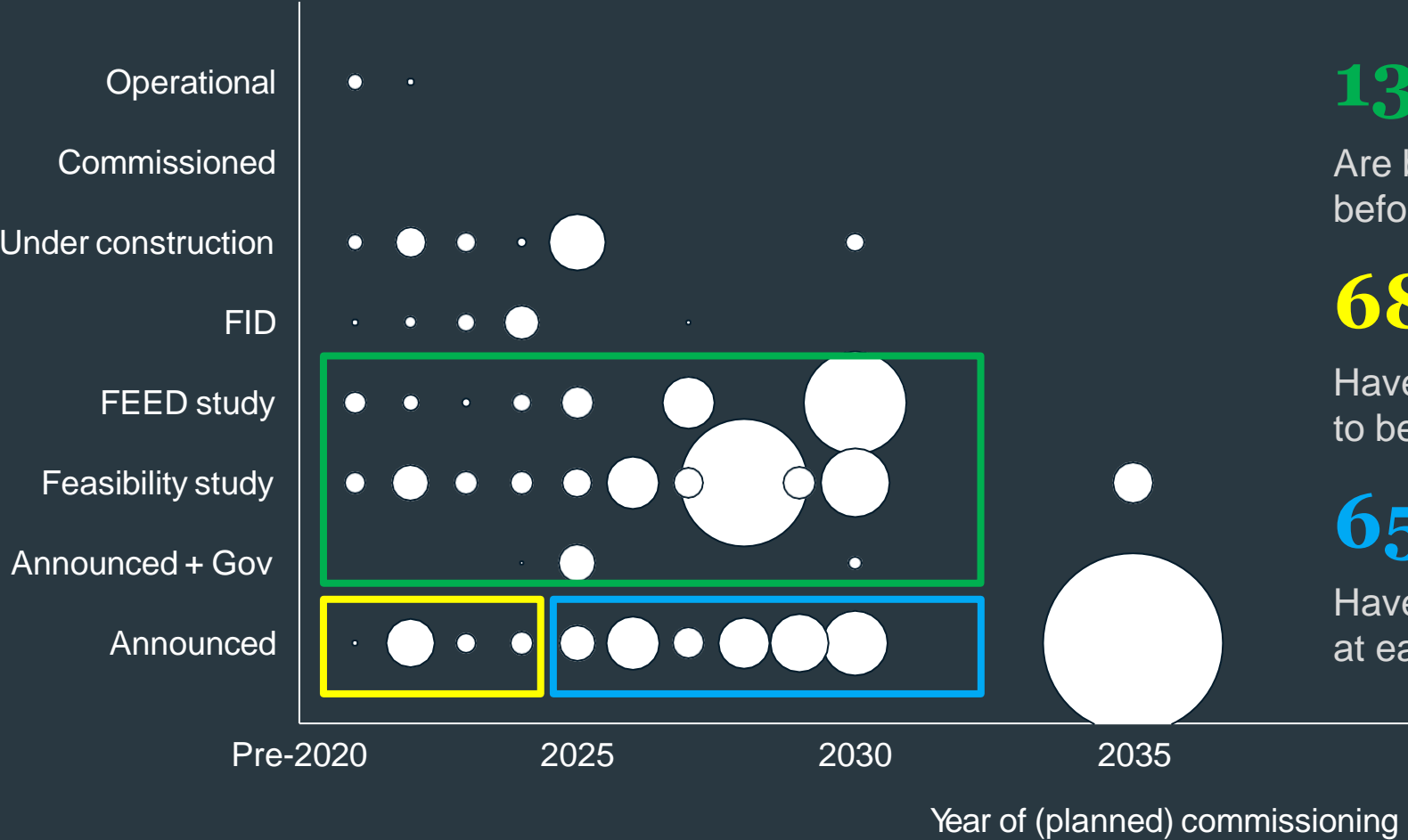
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2. Final investment decision has been made, already under construction or operational



# Project sizes are increasing

## ~78 bn of projects currently under development

Average estimated investment of announced projects<sup>1</sup>



**135 projects, 78 bn**

Are being developed and will seek funding before 2030

**68 projects, 19 bn**

Have been announced for < 2025, but need to be developed

**65 projects, 49 bn**

Have been announced for 2025-30 and are at early stage

1. Estimated deployed investment by 2030. Projects with commissioning date post-2030 show full investment

# 6 pillars of efficient policy design for low carbon and renewable hydrogen

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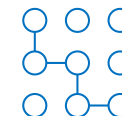
## 1. Make use of local strengths & benefit from cross-border cooperation

Leveraging local strengths is an important starting point in policy design, which should be complemented by cross-border cooperation and trade to unlock efficiency gains.



## 2. Create certainty through targets and commitment

To drive down cost and attract investment, governments can reduce policy-risks and market uncertainty through targets, hydrogen strategies and revenue stabilization mechanisms.



## 3. Provide hydrogen-specific support across the supply chain

To catalyze and grow new markets, hydrogen-specific support is required across production, midstream infrastructure and end use sectors (focusing on demand-pull measures as a matter of priority).



## 4. Support robust carbon pricing

Robust regional carbon pricing mechanisms should be built up from existing schemes and work together with hydrogen-specific support to drive efficient and effective uptake in the longer term.



## 5. Adopt harmonized standards & certification systems

International standards and robust certification systems play a crucial role in the development of the hydrogen economy, enabling cross-border trade in hydrogen.



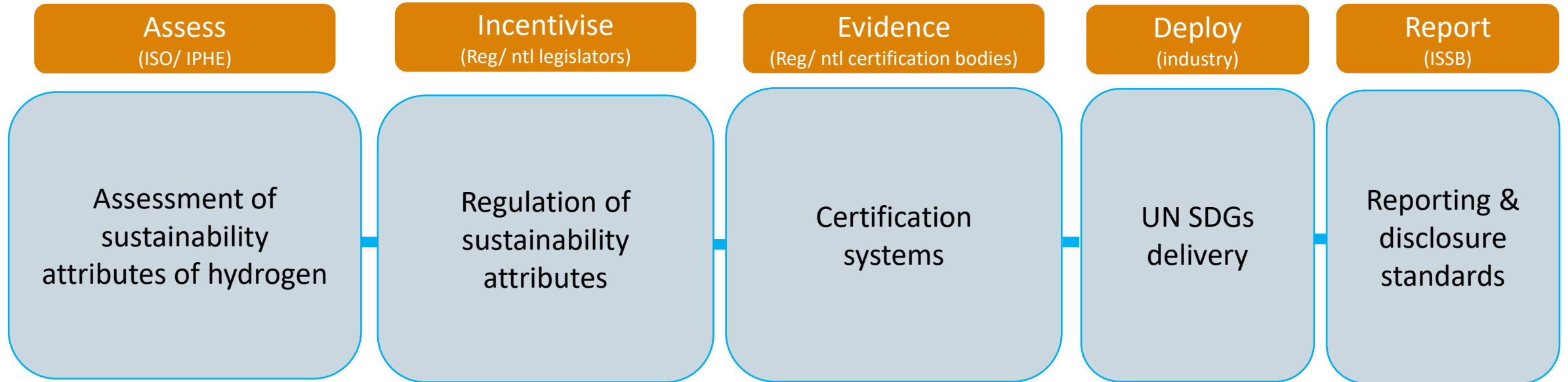
## 6. Factor in societal value and values

Societal value and values should be factored into policy decisions. Well-designed hydrogen policies can have a positive contribution to several UN Sustainable Development Goals.

# HYDROGEN SUSTAINABILITY PROGRAM:

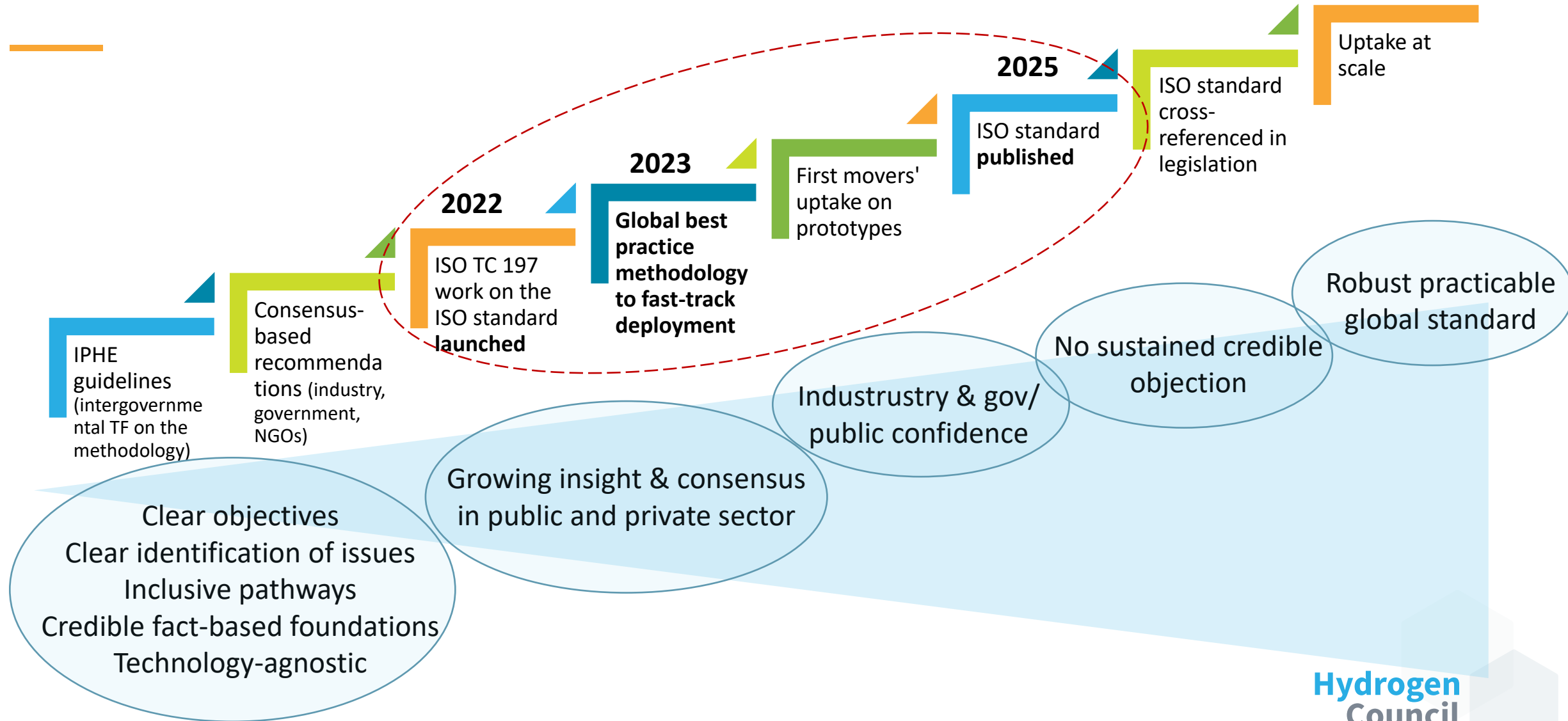
Joining forces with International Partners for global consensus-based standards, robust tradable certification systems and reporting and disclosure standards

## HYDROGEN SUSTAINABILITY PROGRAM



*Cross-cutting topics include guidelines for qualifying hydrogen as low carbon/renewable  
- e.g. creating a repository of the emerging thresholds, hydrogen definitions and potential 'corridors'*

# Equivalence foundation for trade: an ISO **standard methodology** for assessing the GHG footprint of H2



# Hydrogen certification: puzzle solving

**1**

**Keep the pieces  
in order**

**Keep the pieces  
on purpose**

**2**

**3**

**Build consensus with  
constructive action**

# A roadmap for robust tradeable certification systems for hydrogen: challenges and mitigation measures

## CHALLENGES

Divergence between purposes of certification systems (compliance/disclosure)



Market fragmentation



Lack of fungibility of certificates/ barriers to cross-border trade

## MITIGATION MEASURES

Map out the landscape: certification systems/ pilots; policies and standards



Mutual recognition / fungibility



**A roadmap & a check list** for certification systems to support cross-border trade

*Focus on practical solutions to foster global cross-border trade*



# Roadmap for robust tradeable certification systems for hydrogen: joining forces with international partners

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April 2022: Roadmap project launched by the Council

May 2022: Advisory Board to the study project formed and launched (with experts from IEA, IRENA, H2Global, WEF, WBCSD)

Collaboration with IRENA on G7 recommendations

COP 27: roadmap presented

IEA Hydrogen TCP Task on certification launched & led by the Council

# Hydrogen Council's ongoing initiatives

## Insights into materials sustainability

- Materials sustainability - a favourable attribute of hydrogen systems

## Advancing system thinking on hydrogen

- Modelling hydrogen integration at system level (power- gas - liquid fuels) revealing tangible resilience, reliability and cost-efficiency benefits

## Towards a global hydrogen market

- Dynamic model optimising global hydrogen trade flows, considering macro-economic trends

## A roadmap for robust tradeable certification systems

- Solutions for mutual recognition of emerging hydrogen certification systems to foster global cross-border trade

# Hydrogen Valleys

An opportunity to foster large-scale deployment of clean hydrogen bringing the costs further down

1 Champion the deployment of **demand-pull measures**, such as **quotas and targets**, in **end use sectors across the valleys** within the next two years

2 Unlock the cost-efficiency and optimisation benefits of **an integrated approach to hydrogen deployment** (beyond the heavy industry – in transport and buildings)

3 Maximise **social value** through close cooperation with local communities

THANK YOU

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# Hydrogen end to end materials challenges

Clean Hydrogen Mission R&I Workshop

Robert Sorrell

Hydrogen Challenge Lead, Royce Institute

# The blueprints provide insights into UK research needs; starting with Production

- Green hydrogen production (via electrolysis) at Terawatt-scale (TW) levels is critical to widescale hydrogen deployment in a 2050 timescale, as described in the Henry Royce Institute (Royce) Materials for End-to-End Hydrogen report published in 2021.
- Royce in consultation with businesses, research technology organisations (RTOs), and universities to build a comprehensive picture of current UK electrolysis capabilities and complete the gap analysis to identify areas for future funding.
- This blueprint provides, for the first time, a comprehensive view of the UK electrolysis capabilities to inform future spending plans in this area.
- We expect the blueprint to be refined further as we continue to receive feedback and as the hydrogen sector evolves.



# The first step was to identify UK Electrolysis Needs

Scope	Electrolysers: PEM water, Alkaline water, Solid Oxide Water and AEM water		
Scale up & Electrolyser Testing	Meet efficiency, potential scalability to 1TW , durability, recyclability and carbon footprint targets		
PEM Electrolysis	Iridium free or low iridium catalysts	Develop new conductive and stable materials for current collectors, porous transport layers and catalyst support	Contaminants – mitigate impact and scale up away from pure water
Alkaline Electrolysis	Improve sluggish HER & OER kinetics through catalyst development		
Solid Oxide Electrolysis	Improve electrode and electrolyte materials		
AEM Electrolysis	Improve membrane stability and conductivity and catalyst activity		
Monitoring	On line techniques enabling real time measurement of reaction progression, impact impurities, and degradation pathways impacting ageing		

# The existing electrolysis facilities and programmes were then identified

Capability Areas	Scale up & Electrolyser Testing	PEM Water Electrolysers	Alkaline Water Electrolysers	Solid Oxide Electrolysers	AEM Water Electrolysis	Monitoring
Universities	UCL Imperial	UCL Imperial Oxford Southampton Cambridge Manchester Met Strathclyde	Loughborough	Imperial Oxford St Andrews	Surrey Newcastle	UCL Imperial Oxford Warwick
Businesses	Johnson Matthey Ceres Power ITM Power	Johnson Matthey ITM Power	Johnson Matthey INEOS AFC Energy	Johnson Matthey Ceres Power	AFC Energy	Johnson Matthey ITM Power Ceres Power
RTOs	NPL	NPL	NPL	NPL		NPL

# From the analysis we could map the UK electrolysis capabilities to the needs

Capability Areas	Catalyst Discovery	In-silico Design	Stability Measurement	Catalyst & Electrode Scale up	Membrane Production & Scale up	Test Rigs	Analytical Techniques
UCL							
Imperial							
Manchester							
Liverpool							
Oxford							
Newcastle							
Manchester Metropolitan							
Cambridge							
Surrey							
Southampton							

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Glasgow							
Strathclyde							
Warwick							
Nottingham							
Birmingham							
Loughborough							
Bath							
St Andrews							
Exeter							
Coventry							

Partial Match     Moderate Match     Strong Match

# The analysis identified areas to build on/gaps to address in the R&D production landscape

The blueprint highlighted specific capability areas to address, seeded by an initial £5m investment;

- Provision of multiple electrochemical test cells (single to part stack)
- Development of an intelligent electrode design facility
- Provision of membrane scale up facilities

[Royce UK Hydrogen Electrolysis Blueprint](#)

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ROYCE

**Materials Testing was highlighted as key priority by the community – mapped UK testing needs**

Temperature Pressure	<-253 to -50°C ~1 bar		-50°C to Ambient 100 to 700 bar		Ambient to 300°C 100 bar		300 to 1200°C 1 to 300 bar	
Application	Aerospace, heavy duty transport, storage: scale/mobile			Gas transmission and distribution, production (electrolysis), heavy duty transport, gaseous storage, purification		Aerospace, industrial, domestic fuel switching, internal combustion engine		
Testing Scenarios	Store/dispense liquid hydrogen, Spillage e.g. wings			Gas T&D pipelines, valves, seals, compressors (100 bar) Production cathode, anode, catalyst and membrane storage HD mobile and large-scale tanks (700 bar)		Combustion: domestic gas burners, industrial, gas turbines, refractory linings, finished goods		
Mechanical Testing	Tensile strength, shear, compression	Fracture toughness	Fatigue & fatigue crack growth	Creep	Hydrogen permeability	Ductility		
Materials Systems	Metals and alloys		Polymers	Ceramics	Composites		Coatings	

# The existing testing capabilities and facilities were identified

Capability Areas	<-253 to -50°C ~1 bar	-50°C to Ambient 100 to 700 bar	Ambient to 300°C 100 bar	300 – 1200°C 1 to 300 bar	Mechanical Testing	In-silico Testing
Universities	Bath Southampton Manchester Birmingham Bristol Oxford	Bath Brunel Bristol Southampton Birmingham	Bath Brunel Bristol Southampton Birmingham Manchester	Birmingham Bath Oxford Manchester	Bath Brunel Bristol Southampton Manchester Imperial Swansea Oxford	
Businesses	Airbus GKN	National Grid NGN Teer Coatings	National Grid NGN Teer Coatings		National Grid Airbus GKN	National Grid Airbus GKN
Testing Houses	Element DNV Composite Test & Evaluation Ltd Rina Tech UK Ltd Rtech Materials TUV Sud	Element DNV Composite Test & Evaluation Ltd Rina Tech UK Ltd Rtech Materials	Element DNV Finden Ltd Pacson Valves TUV Sud LBBC Baskerville	Lucideon Group Ltd	Element DNV Composite Test & Evaluation Ltd Finden Ltd LBBC Baskerville Lucideon Group Ltd Rina Tech RTECH	Element DNV
RTOs	STFC UKAEA NCC NPL TWI	HSE TWI NPL UKAEA	HSE TWI NPL NCC UKAEA	STFC UKAEA TWI	TWI NPL NCC STFC	TWI NPL NCC STFC UKAEA



The current capabilities vs. the needs could be mapped for UK testing

Capability Areas	Cryogenic testing	High pressure 50 to 300°C testing	High temperature testing	Non-destructive testing & characterisation	Mechanistic studies	Sensors	Accelerated ageing
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Bath				<div></div>			
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Cambridge					<div></div>	<div></div>	<div></div>
Brunel	<div></div>		<div></div>	<div></div>			
Imperial			<div></div>	<div></div>			

Partial Match Moderate Match Strong Match

# This identified areas to build on/gaps in the UK testing R&D landscape

The blueprint highlighted specific capability areas to address, seeded by an initial £5m investment;

- Mechanical testing facilities to address industrial end use scenarios
- Accelerated ageing facilities combining physical and in silico approaches to predict material lifetimes
- Complete development of a publicly accessible hydrogen materials database
- Publish assessment of current UK hydrogen materials testing capabilities

[Royce UK Hydrogen Testing Blueprint](#)

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# Next steps

- Define required UK investment to support the remaining priorities in the **strengthening of the base** and **addressing the gaps** areas referenced in the electrolysis and testing blueprints
- Submit funding bids to address testing blueprint priority areas and leverage further funding from BEIS, EPSRC, Innovate UK and the private sector
- Develop comparable blueprints for end use, distribution and storage
- Complete talent pipeline assessment to support materials blueprint delivery
- Explore opportunities for international collaboration

# Launch of R&I Working Groups

- The Clean Hydrogen Mission is launching two new working groups and is currently inviting interested parties to join.
  - Production working group – contact Madhu Madhavi  
[madhu.madhavi@beis.gov.uk](mailto:madhu.madhavi@beis.gov.uk)
  - Storage and Distribution working group – contact Trevor Rapson  
[trevor.rapson@csiro.au](mailto:trevor.rapson@csiro.au)
- The end-use application Working Group is up and running.
  - To join- contact Pete Devlin  
[peter.devlin@ee.doe.gov](mailto:peter.devlin@ee.doe.gov)



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