

“The role of hydrogen in
the process industries –
implications on energy
infrastructure”

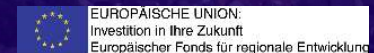
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**Process⁴
Sustainability**

**Cluster for climate-neutral
process industries in Hesse**

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Perspective Europe 2030

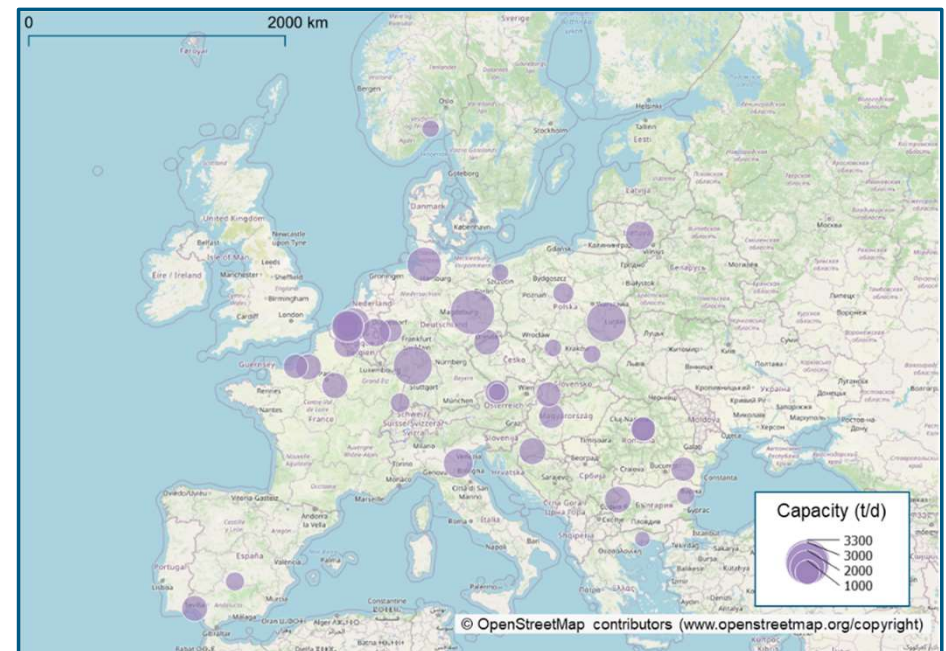
- NH_3 is globally the largest volume chemical (180 Mio. t/a)
- Responsible for 1-2% of global CO_2 -emissions
- Subsequent production of chemical fertilizers (urea, nitrates, ...)
- Chemical fertilizers feed half of the world's population
- In Europe based on natural gas (SMR)
- **What is the CO_2 -abatement potential of the European ammonia production up to 2030?**
- Study commissioned by Fertilizers Europe



https://dechema.de/dechema_media/Downloads/Positionspapere/Studie+Ammoniak.pdf

General aspects of the study

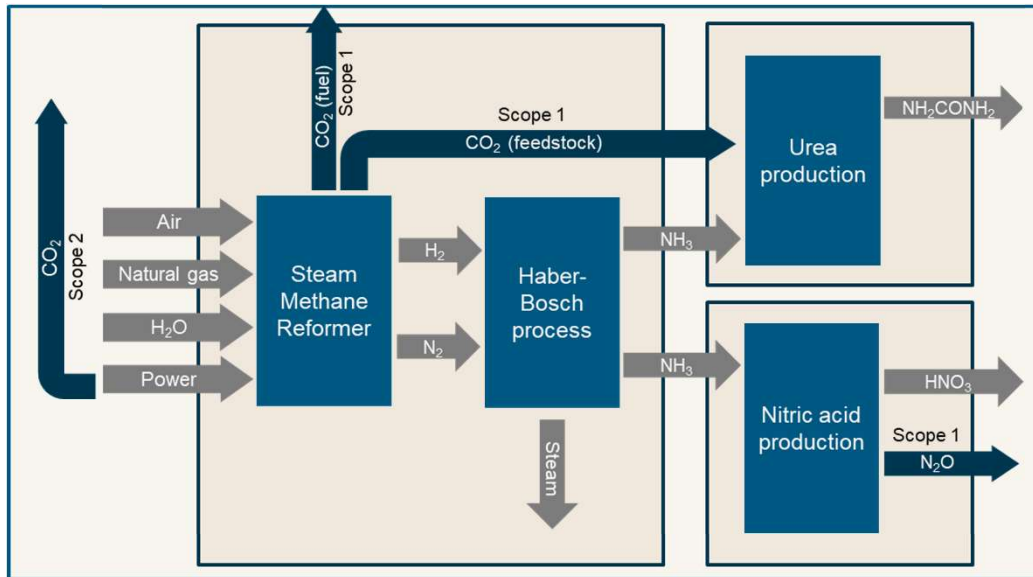
- Comparison of different technological options for ammonia production
 - Timeframe: 2020 – 2050 ► Focus on 2030
 - Boundaries: hydrogen and ammonia production processes
 - Plant’s characteristics: “Average European Ammonia Plant”
 - Evaluated aspects:
 - Energy consumption
 - Specific production costs
 - CO₂ emissions and avoidance costs
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| Scope 1 | Direct, from production process |
| Scope 2 | Indirect, from electricity consumption |
| Scope 3 | All other indirect emissions |
- Outside study boundaries
- Abatement potential for two scenarios
- Regions: Southern, Northern, Western and central Europe



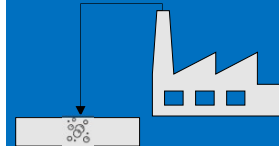
Grey



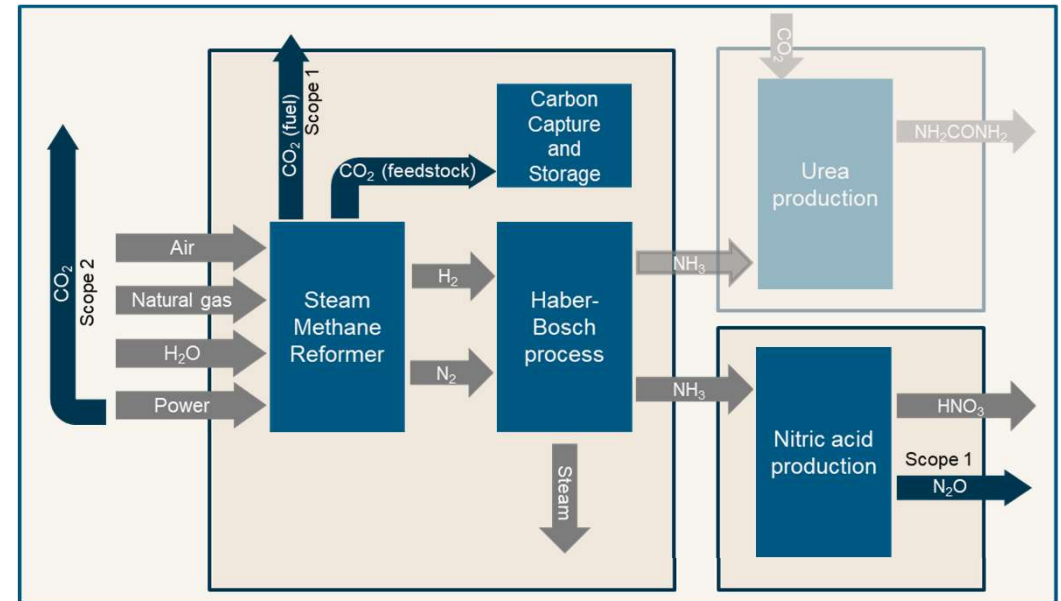
From conventional production process (SMR) using natural gas



Blue



From conventional production process (SMR) using natural gas combined with Carbon Capture and Storage (CCS).

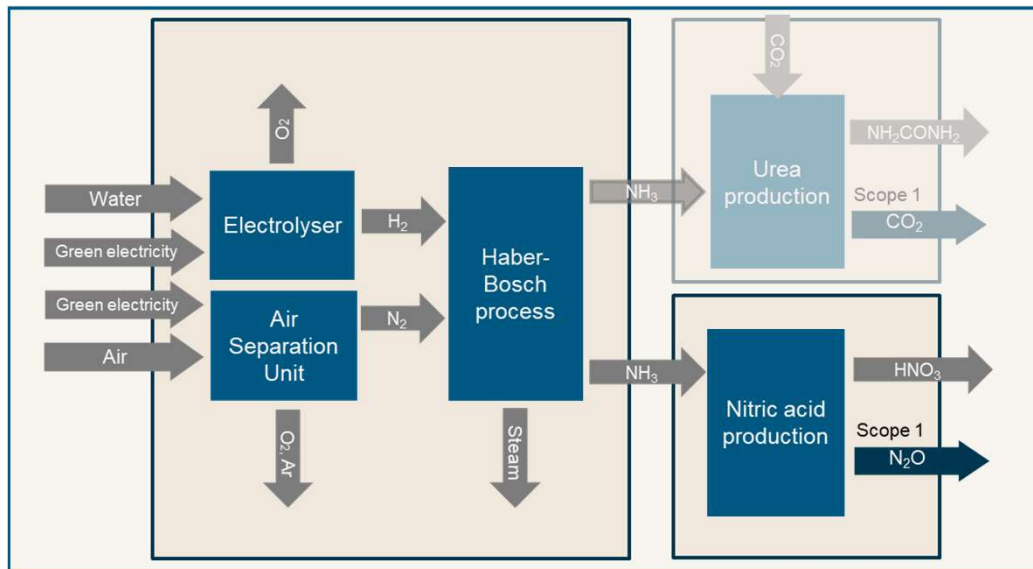


Green

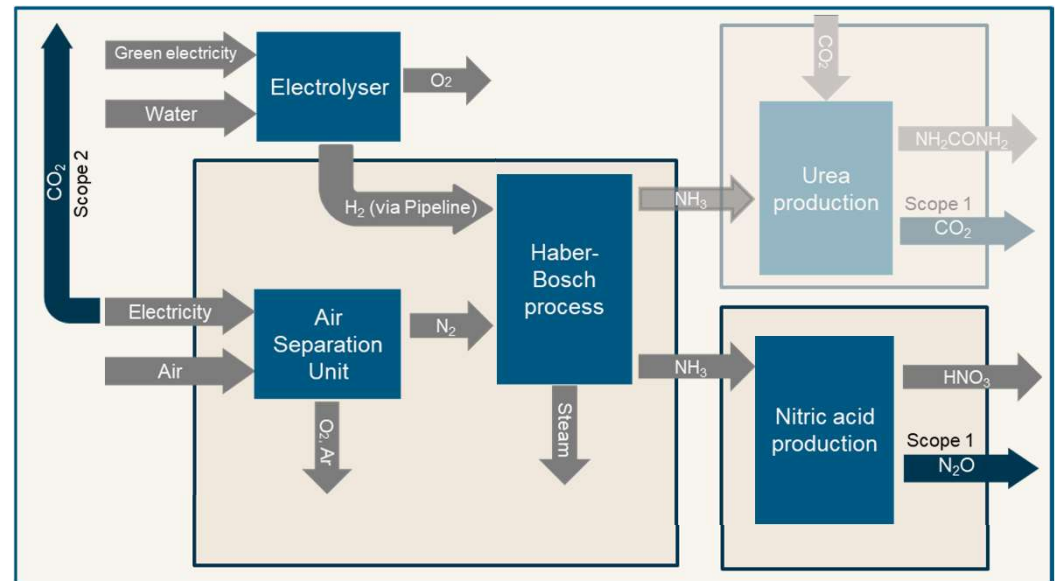


From electrolysis using exclusively renewable electricity for its production.

On-site



Off-site



Yellow

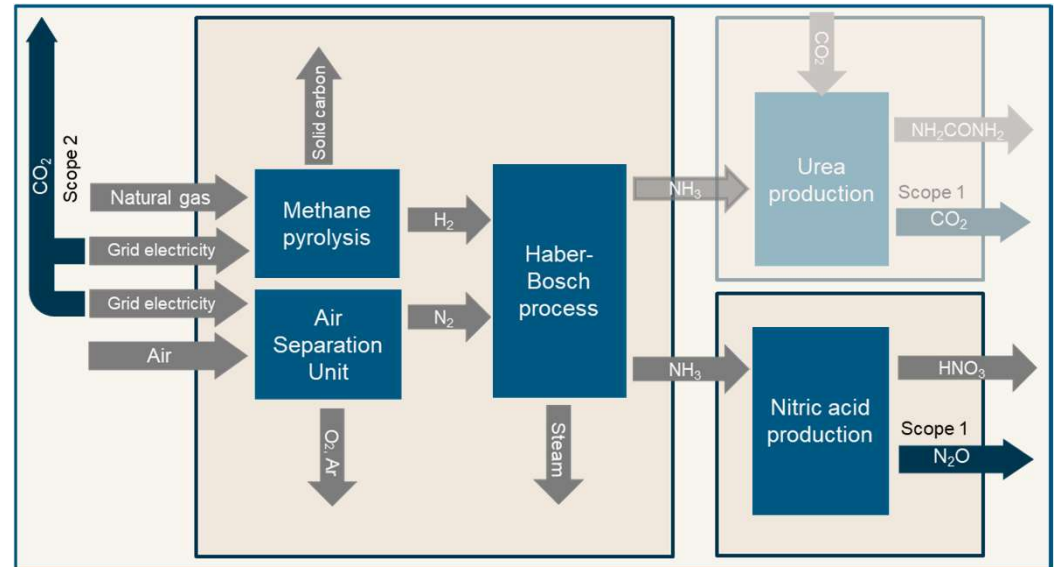
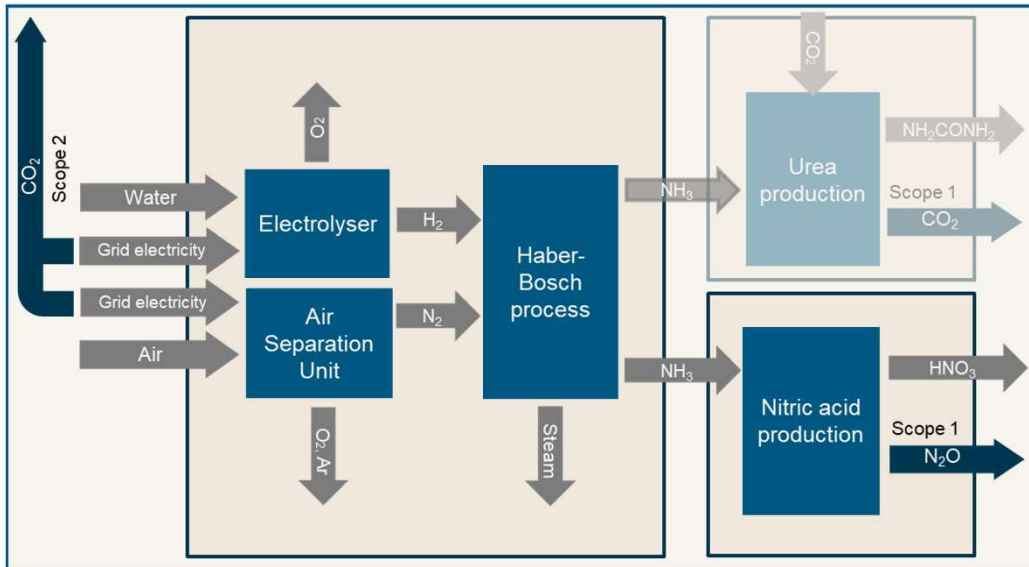


From electrolysis using the current available electricity mix of the grid.

Turquoise



From methane pyrolysis.



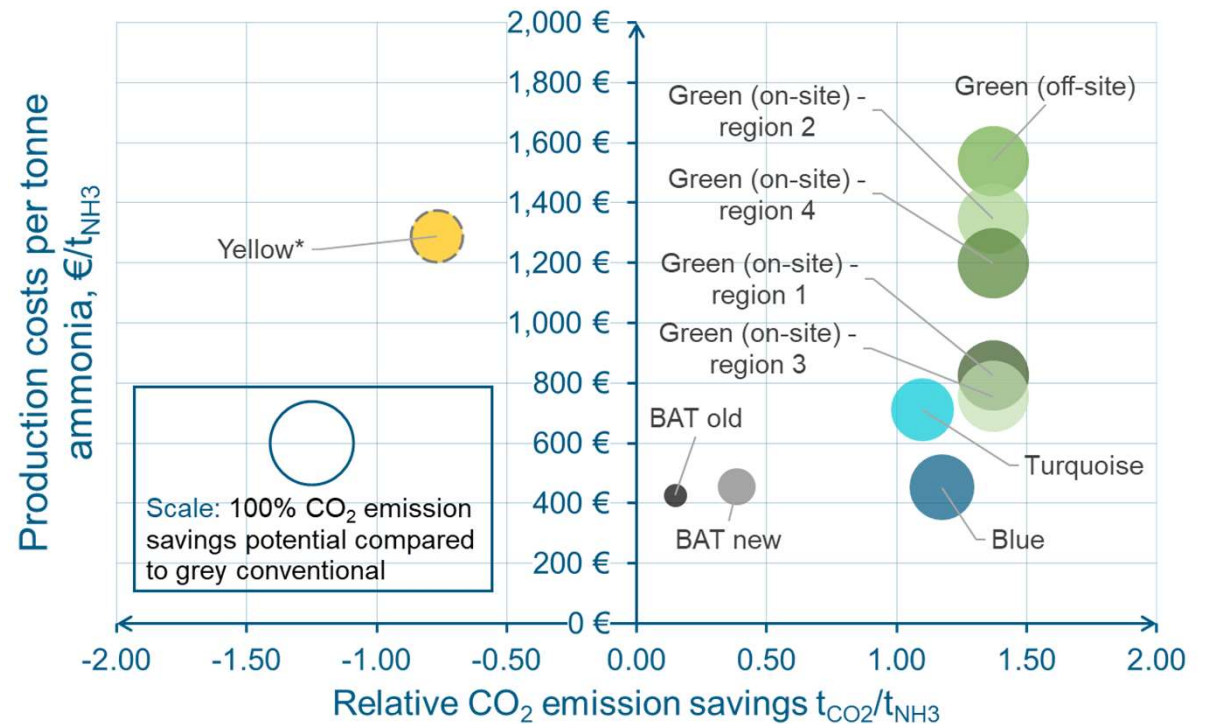
Emissions

Energy consumption

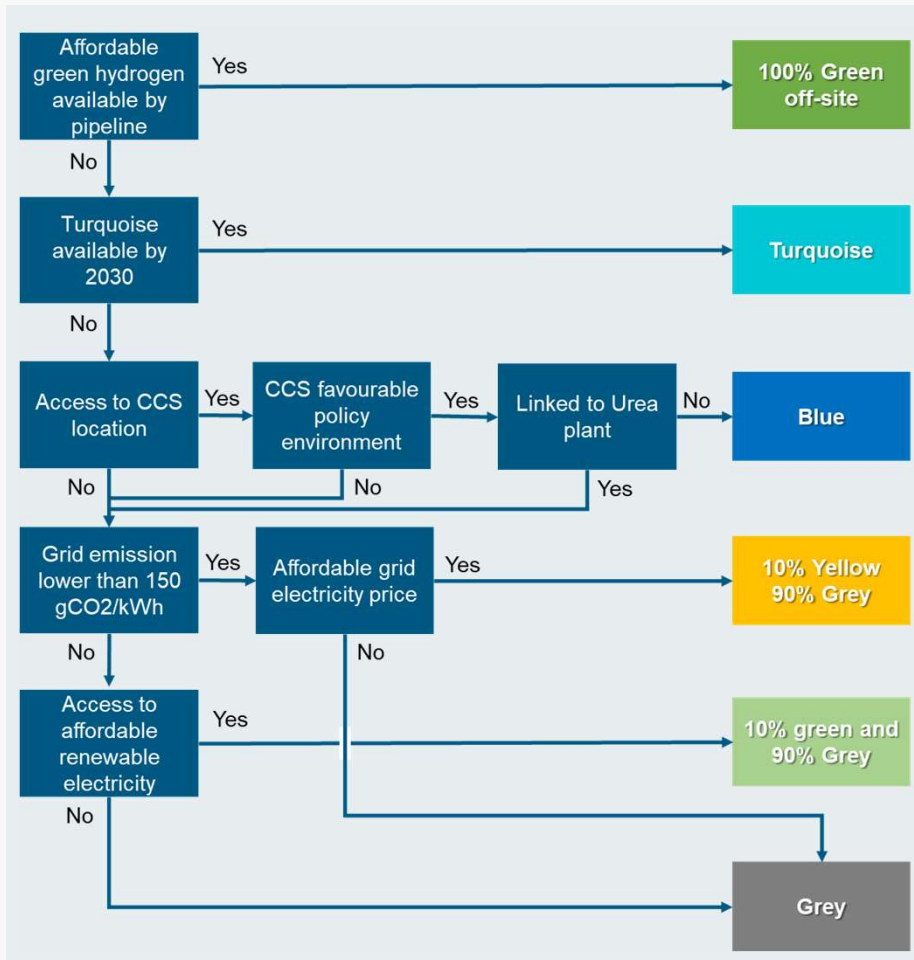
Production costs

Saving potential

- Largest reduction potential is achieved with green ammonia (70%)
- Blue and turquoise are also good options (60% and 56% reduction potential) with lower production costs
- BAT old and new plants present 8% and 20% reduction potential
- Yellow ► only in locations with low grid emission factors



General approach to calculations of abatement potential



Nitrate plants

Technology	Requirements	% Base case	% Best case
Blue	Access to CCS	22%	29%
Turquoise	Rapid technological development required	0%	3%
Yellow	Not considered for 2030	0%	0%
90% grey, 10% yellow	Low grid emission factor	28%	28%
Green	Low specific price of green hydrogen	0%	4%
90% grey, 10% green	Low specific price + availability of green electricity	37%	33%
Grey conventional	All remaining plants	13%	3%

Urea plants

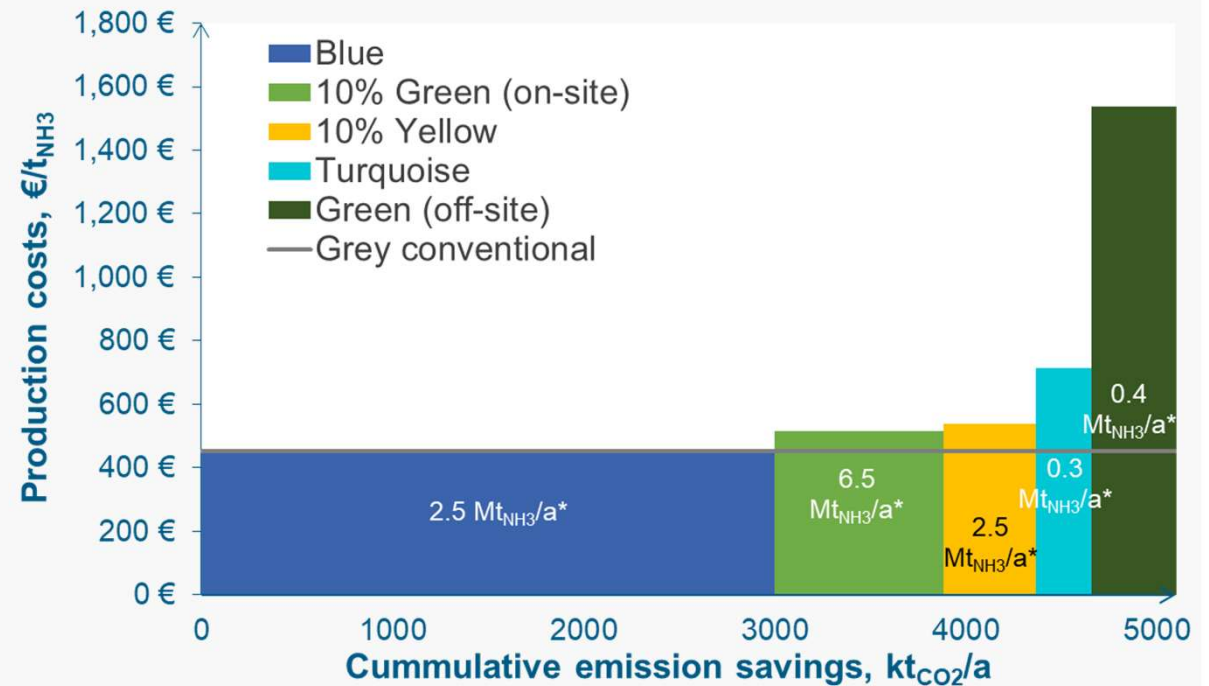
Technology	Requirements	% Base case	% Best case
90% grey, 10% green	Low specific price + availability of green electricity	59%	81%
Grey conventional	All remaining plants	41%	19%

Total abatement potential – best case scenario

- Total production of 13.2 Mt_{NH3}/a
- Largest contribution of blue ammonia
- Application of 10% green brings benefits
- Yellow contribution depends on production site
- Turquoise contribution depends on availability
- Costs of green ammonia should be reduced

Total abatement potential

Base case scenario	14%
Best case scenario	20%



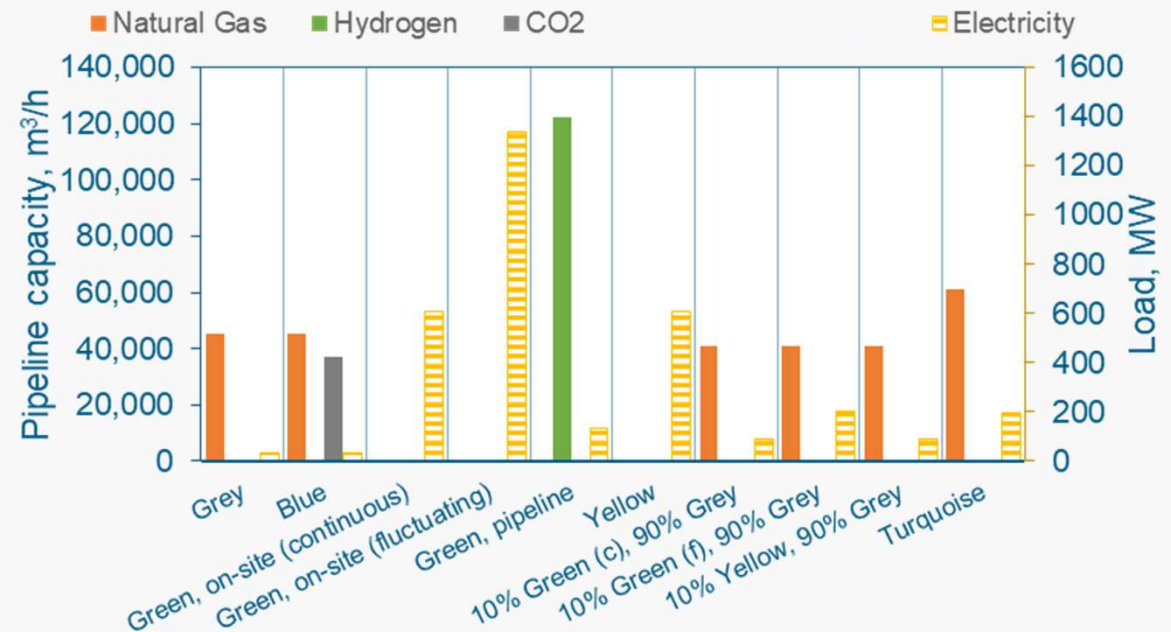
*applicable production capacity

Infrastructure

Values for an “average European ammonia plant” – Capacity of 500,000 t_{NH_3}/y

Comparison of technology options with conventional process:

- Blue: CO₂ pipeline needed (0.8 times of NG pipeline)
- Green on-site and Yellow: electric power 18 to 39 times higher
- Green off-site: H₂ pipeline 2.7 times larger than pipeline for NG
- Turquoise: NG pipeline 1.3 times larger and electric power 6 times higher

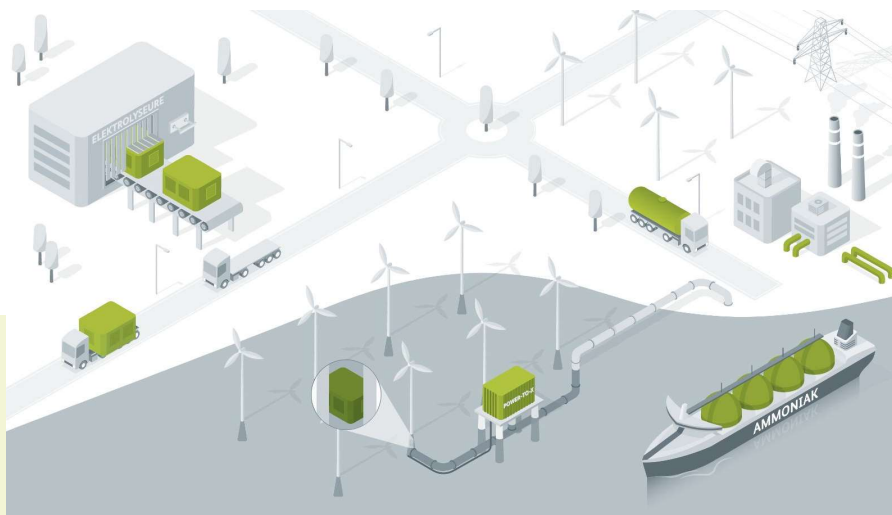


TransHyDE – Transport options for green hydrogen

TransHyDE-Sys: System analysis for green hydrogen transport options

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Hydrogen Republic Germany: „Leitprojekte“ (04/21-03/25)



- H2Giga: Mass manufacturing technologies for electrolyzers
 - Funding: 480 Mio. €, 130 Partners
- H2Mare: Offshore water electrolysis and PtX-processes
 - Funding: 100 Mio. €, 29 Partners
- **TransHyDE: Transport options for green hydrogen**
 - **Funding: 140 Mio. €, 85 Partners**
- Fundamental research projects
 - Currently 16 projects and ongoing

Introduction



- Green hydrogen is a universal and versatile energy carrier
- It is an essential component in the energy transition towards greenhouse gas neutrality
- It will be applied in various sectors, differing widely in volumes and specifications
- The „Leitprojekt“ TransHyDE develops and evaluates various technology options for hydrogen transport

Project Structure: Demonstration Projects



- (A) MUKRAN – New spherical H₂-storage vessel
- (B) GET-H₂ – Experimental H₂-Pipeline
- (C) CAMPFIRE – Ammonia as H₂ transport option
- (D) HELGOLAND – Logistics and supply chain for LOHC (liquid organic hydrogen carrier)

Project Structure: Research Projects



- ▭ **RESEARCH PROJECT (1) SYSTEM ANALYSIS**
- ▭ Research Project (2) Safe and secure Infrastructure: Materials testing, sensors, safety and security
- ▭ Research Project (3) H₂-Transport with ammonia
- ▭ Research Project (4) Transport and use of liquid hydrogen
- ▭ Research Project (5) Standardisation, technical norms and certification

TransHyDE-Sys

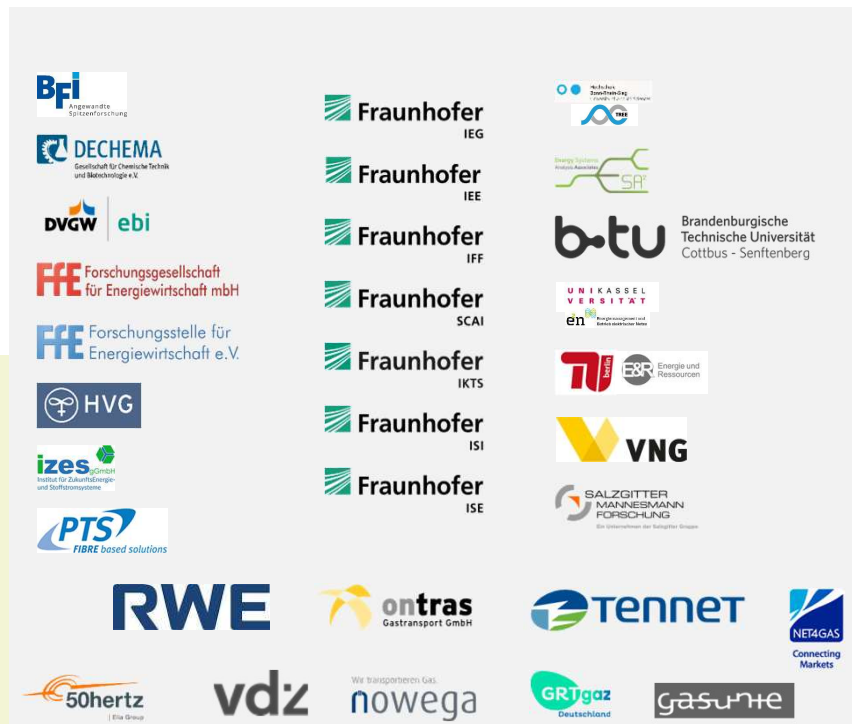
System Analysis of transport option for green hydrogen



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- Spatial and temporal development of transport infrastructure for hydrogen
 - Stakeholder perspective (energy-intensive industries)
 - System perspective (Optimization of macro-economic cost)
- Let us compare methodologies (stakeholder - vs. system perspective)
- Consistent system boundaries and parameters for ecological evaluation of transport technologies
- Communication and stakeholder integration
- Roadmapping: reflecting technological developments within the overall energy system

TransHyDE-Sys: System Analysis



- ▭ Coordinators:
 - ▭ Florian Ausfelder (DECHEMA)
 - ▭ Mario Ragwitz (FhG IEG)
- ▭ 22 Funded Partners:
 - ▭ 7 Industry sector technical associations
 - ▭ 8 Research institutes
 - ▭ 5 Universities
 - ▭ 2 Companies
- ▭ 9 Associated Partners
- ▭ Funding: 17 Mio. €

AP 2/3 Development of infrastructure

AP 4 Let us compare methodologies

Spatial and temporal development of transport infrastructure for hydrogen

▫ **AP 2 Stakeholder perspective**

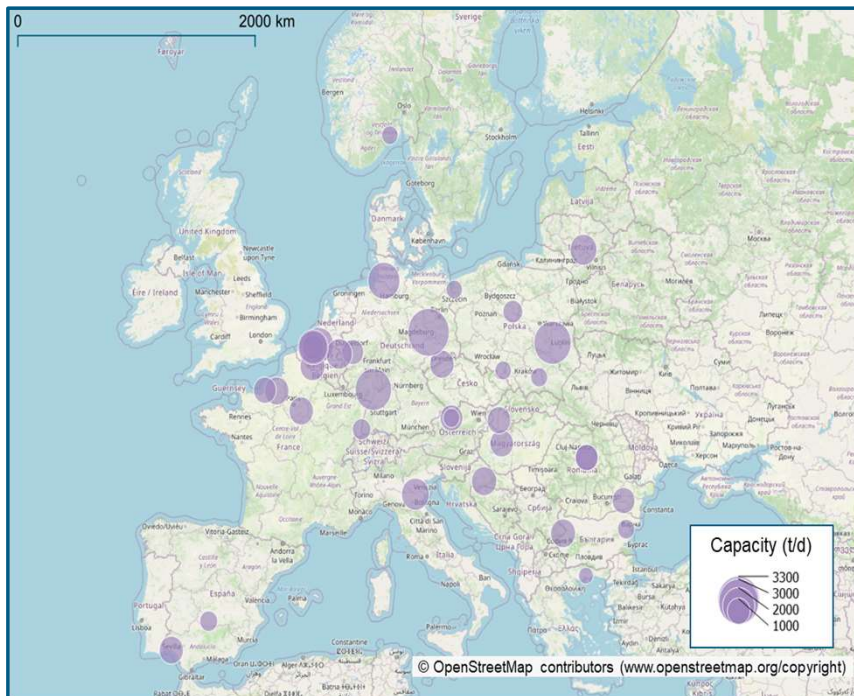
- Development of hydrogen infrastructure and interaction with existing and future energy and feedstock infrastructures within the transformation of heavy industry

▫ **AP 3 System perspective**

- Minimal macro-economic cost for optimal hydrogen infrastructure development to supply green hydrogen

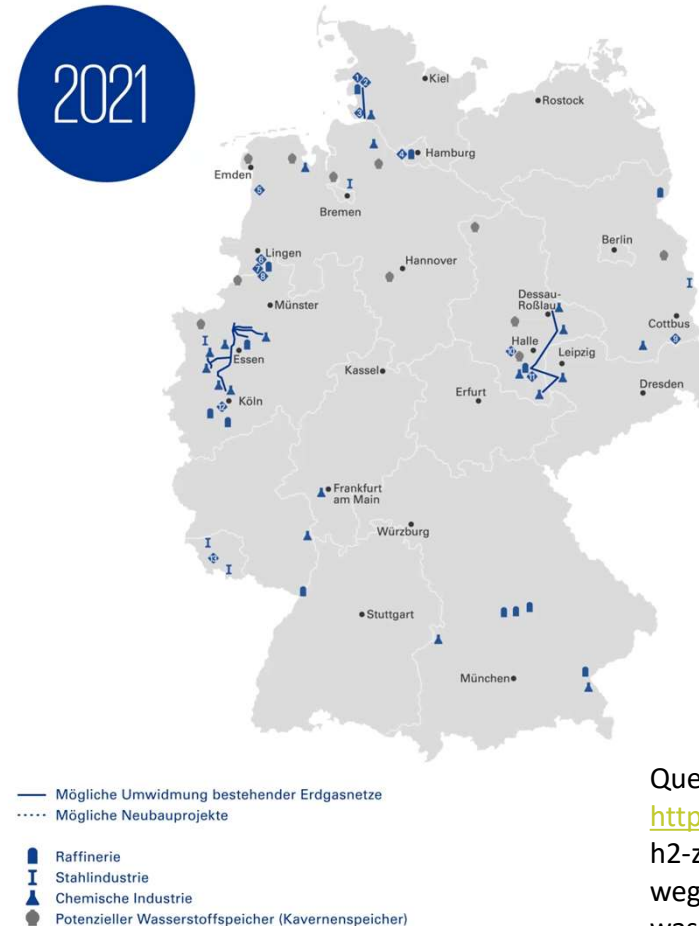
▫ **AP 4 Let us compare methodologies**

What will the results look like?



Quelle:
Perspective Europe 2030 - Technology options for CO₂- emission reduction of hydrogen feedstock in ammonia production

Entwicklung der Wasserstoffinfrastruktur in Deutschland



Quelle: © KPMG
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Thank you for your attention

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