



Power-to-gas Short term and long term opportunities to leverage synergies between the electricity and transport sectors through power-tohydrogen

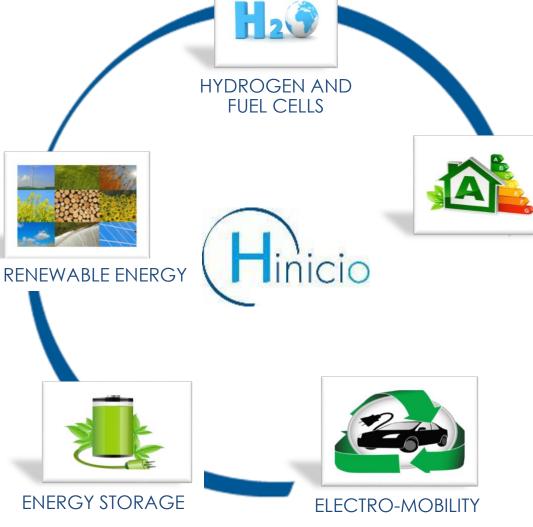


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## Introduction Setting the scene



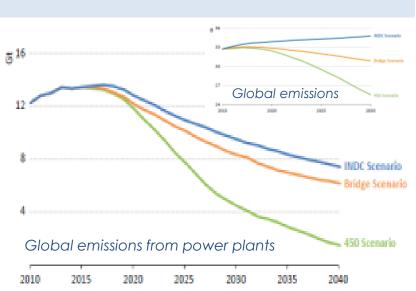
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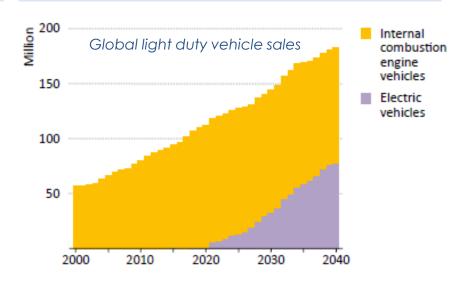


#### More renewables and electrification of transport are required on the road to 2°C

IEA 450 (2°C) scenario



#### 2°C requires more renewables...



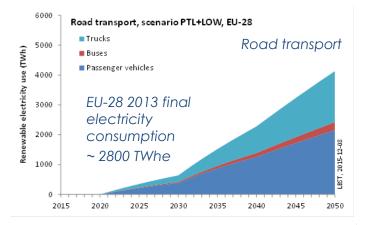
... and electrification of transport

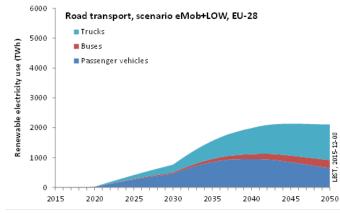
- Investment increase from B\$270/yr in 2014 to B\$400/yr in 2025.
- Installed capacity growing from 450 GW today to 3300 GW in 2040.
- Variable renewables increase from 3% of generation to more than 20% by 2040.

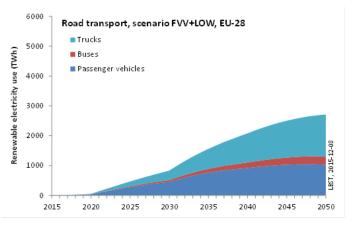
- Sales of EVs exceed **40% of total passenger car sales** worldwide in 2040.
- Sets the scene for providing the needed emissions reductions **after 2040.**

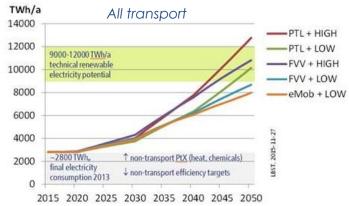


The required additional power generation capacity depends on the adopted powertrain technology, but is in any case substantial.





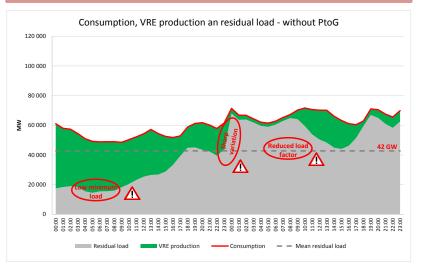






## Power-to-Gas allows to decarbonise transport while improving the power system's operating conditions

#### More renewable without PtG = <u>More</u> problems

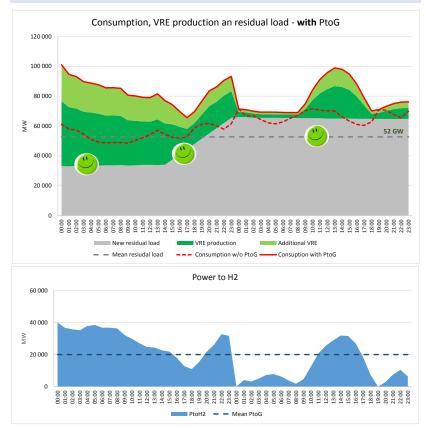


Power consumption during two days in France in Jan and Feb 2013. Actual VRE\* production on these days multiplied by 10

## Power-to-Gas provides systemic benefits and improved economics for all:

- Improved load factors / less curtailment;
- More predictable operation of dispatchable capacity.

#### More renewable with PtG = <u>Less</u> problems



Additional consumption of 20 GW on average from H2 mobility

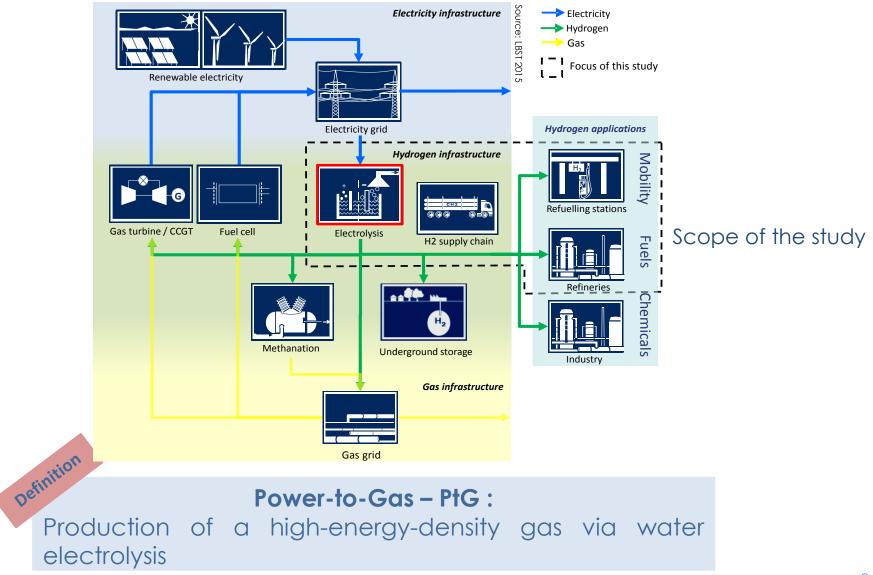
Only half of this is provided by additional VRE The other half is provided by the existing capacity:

#### \*VRE : variable renewable energy

Figures: Hinicio, Compensating VRE intermittency with Power-to-gas 8 with data [RTE,2015]



#### Power-to-Gas: <u>Linking ren</u>ewable electricity and transport



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## Power-to-Gas can support balancing at any time scale and at any point in the T&D system

With a high degree of **flexibility** and supported by large amounts of storage, PtG can **support balancing at any time scales**, from supply of **primary reserve** to **seasonal storage** (with underground storage).

PtG can close growing gaps between local production and consumption, reducing the need to expand the distribution grid, which carries most of the burden

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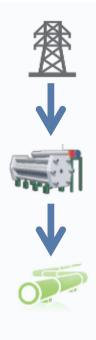
PtG can be used along with other flexibility options such as CHP & heat pumps with heat storage, batteries and demand response.



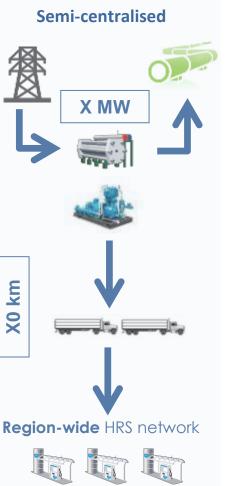
## Power-to-hydrogen can be implemented at different scales, from distributed to centralised

#### W/o H2 use

#### With H2 use







**On-site** 

Tree

X0 kW



## Comparing electrolyser technologies





	Alkaline	PEM
Development stage	Industrial since 1920s	Early stage commercialization
Maximum capacity	Unit : 3.8 MW/67,7 kg/h Plant : 100 MW/1900 kg/h (Zimbabwe)	<b>6 MW/ 120 kg/h</b> (3 x 2 MW pilot unit)
Current density	Up to 0.4 A/cm <sup>2</sup>	<b>Up to 2 A/cm<sup>2</sup></b> (R&D: 3.2 A cm <sup>-2</sup> at 1.8 V at 90°C)
Dynamic response	Less than one minute	Within seconds
Peak load	100%	200% (30 min)
Turn down	20 – 40 %	<10 %
Operating pressure (typical)	A few bars	Tens of bars
Investment costs	1.1 M€/MW*	1.9 M€/MW*
Operating cost	5 - 7 %	4 %

\*Includes installation and balance of plant costs



#### Direct injection is the cheapest way to "dump" hydrogen from excess RE into the gas grid

Advantages

#### **DIRECT INJECTION**



- Natural gas specification allows the blending of hydrogen
- Less costly than methanation

#### Disadvantages

- Maximum injection limit (technical and regulatory).
- There is no business case for direct injection unless regulatory changes are made (FIT...)

#### Requires a concentrated CO2 source

 More costly than direct injection: no business case without regulatory changes

#### **METHANATION** (Sabatier process)



- No maximum injection limit
- Exothermal potential synergies with CO2 generating process



## Regulation drives the energy transition in both the power and transport sectors

Торіс	Sector	World	EU	France	Germany
Greenhouse	All sectors	< <b>2°C</b> (COP21)	2020: -20% 2030: -40% 2040: -60% 2050: -80/-95% vs. 1990	<b>2030: -40%</b> <b>2050: -75%</b> vs. 1990 (LTE)	<b>2020: -40%</b> <b>2030: -55%</b> <b>2040: -70%</b> <b>2050: -80/-95%</b> vs. 1990
gases	Transport		<b>2020: -6%</b> (FQD) <b>2050: -60%</b> (COM 2011 144)	2020: -10% <sub>2010</sub> (code de l énergie) 2028:-22% <sub>2013</sub> 2050:-70% <sub>2013</sub> (SNBC proj)	2015: -3.5% <sub>2010</sub> 2017: -4% <sub>2010</sub> 2020: -6% (BlmSchG)
Renewable energy	All sectors		2020: 20% 2030: 27%	<b>2020: 23%</b> (LTE)	2020: 18% 2030: 30% 2040: 45% 2050: 60% (Energiekonzept)
	Transport		<b>2020: 20%</b> (RED)	<b>2020: 10.5%<sub>2013</sub></b> (SNBC proj)	
Energy	All sectors		<b>2020: -20%1990</b> (COM 2011 112)	<b>2020: -7%<sub>2005</sub></b> (SNBC)	2020: -20% 2030: / 2040: / 2050: -50%
consumption	Transport				2020: -10% 2030: / 2040: / 2050: -40%



## Power-to-hydrogen systems can simultaneously address multiple applications

	E	Business mode assessed	el
Applications	Options	BM1	BM2
H2 sales to other markets	<ul> <li>H2 fuelling stations</li> <li>Industry – H2 refineries</li> </ul>		8
H2 injection into gas grid	<ul><li>Direct</li><li>Methanation</li></ul>	<b>Ø</b>	$\bigcirc$
Ancillary services to power grid	<ul> <li>Primary and/or secondary reserve</li> </ul>		

#### **BM1: Business model 1**

- Electrolyser investment and operation by an independent entity
- Income from hydrogen sales to market and gas grid and from provision of ancillary services to the power grid

#### BM2: Business model 2

- Electrolyser considered as a part of the T&D infrastructure
- Costs fully covered by costs-based grid charges



## Application A Hydrogen from power-to-gas for use in refineries



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## Regulatory framework Fuel greenhouse gas emission reduction

Criteria	EU Fuel Quality Directive (FQD)	France Code de l'énergie	Germany BlmSchG/V
Lifetime	2020	2020	2020
GHG targets	-2 % by 2015 -4 % by 2017 -6 % by 2020	-10% by 2020	-3.5 % by 2015 -4 % by 2017 -6 % by 2020
Responsibility	Supplier	Energy tax responsible entity (usually the fuel refinery)	Energy tax responsible entity (usually the refinery)
Options			
upstream:	Flaring/venting	Flaring/venting	-
refinery:	-	Refinery GHG emissions reduction	-
downstream:	Biofuels and alternative fuels from non-biological sources	Biofuels, electricity	Biofuels
Hydrogen	H <sub>2</sub> eligible as transportation fuel (2015/652/EU, ANNEX I), <u>not</u> for use in refineries yet	H2 <u>not</u> yet eligible as transportation fuel. Reduction of refinery emissions through use of low carbon hydrogen is eligible	H <sub>2</sub> <u>not</u> yet eligible; 'further renewable fuels' (e.g. PtG) and 'other measures' are subject to enforcement of a legal ordinance (§37d (2), point 13
Infringement penalty	Subject to national implementation, which shall be 'effective, proportionate and dissuasive'	Not yet defined (Application decrees to be published in 2017)	470 €/t CO <sub>2eq</sub> 17

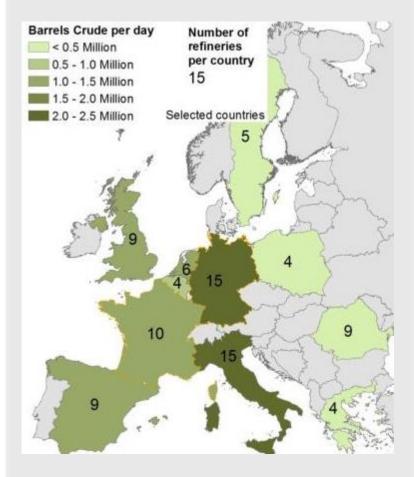


### Refinery landscape Europe

France and Germany are among the 'top 5' countries in Europe with regard to the number of refineries and the total installed refinery

**Germany** is the leading refinery location in Europe, by installed distillation capacity as well as by the number of refineries installed

**France** ranks fourth in Europe by number and capacity



Source: LBST with data [E3M et al. 2015]

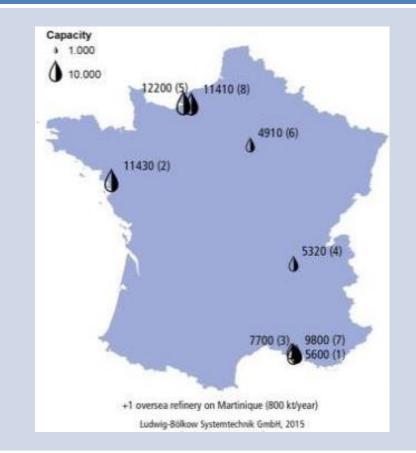


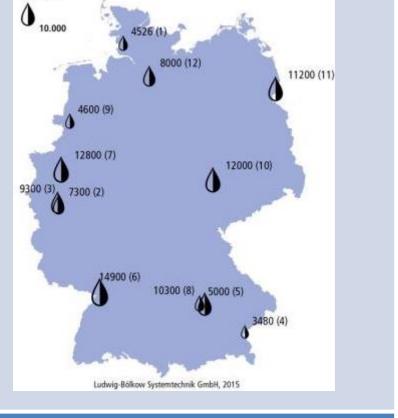
### Refineries in France and Germany

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GERMANY

FRANCE





#### $\Sigma$ 103.4 million t/yr capacity

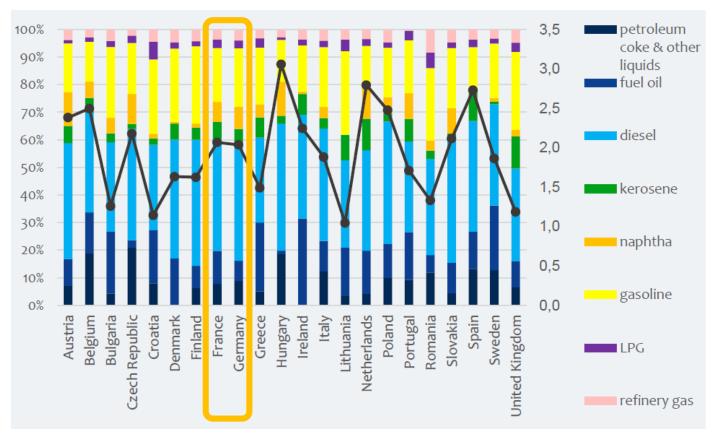
Image: LBST with data [MWV 2015]

 $\Sigma$  68.4 million t/yr capacity

Image: LBST with data [MEDDE 2015]



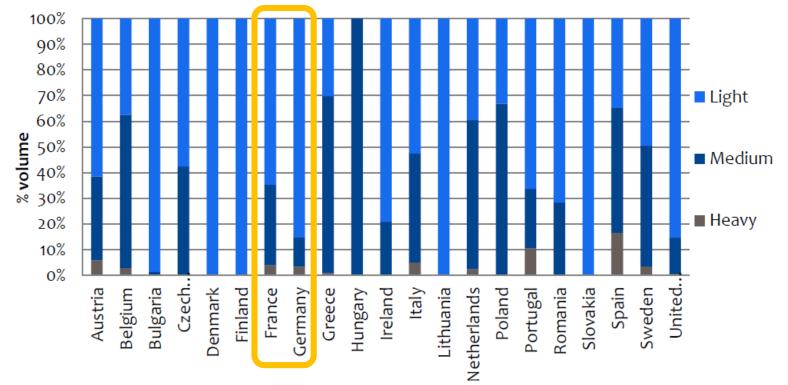
## Product portfolio of European refineries



- The product mix from European refineries is diesel oriented (31-49% diesel, 13-30% gasoline, 1-12% kerosene – in % of total refinery output)
- Marginal differences between French & German refineries' product mixes only
- France and Germany are well within the average of European refineries

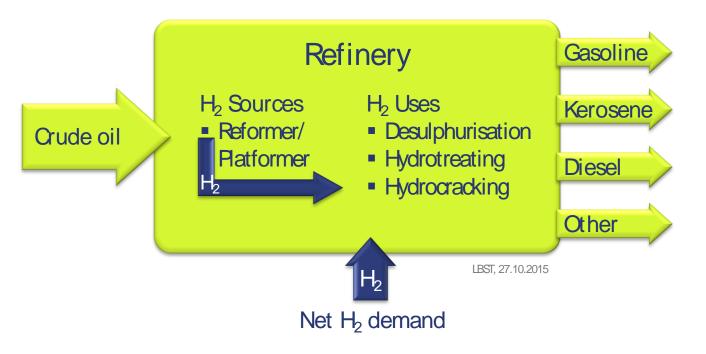


## Crude oil qualities in European refineries



- There is a trade-off between crude oil cost and quality
- In Europe, a wide range of crude oil qualities is processed
- French and German refiners source rather better qualities
- Average crude oil quality [EXERGIA et al. 2015]:
  - France: 36.0 API gravity, 0.7 wt.-% sulphur
  - Germany: 37.3 API gravity, 0.5 wt.-% sulphur

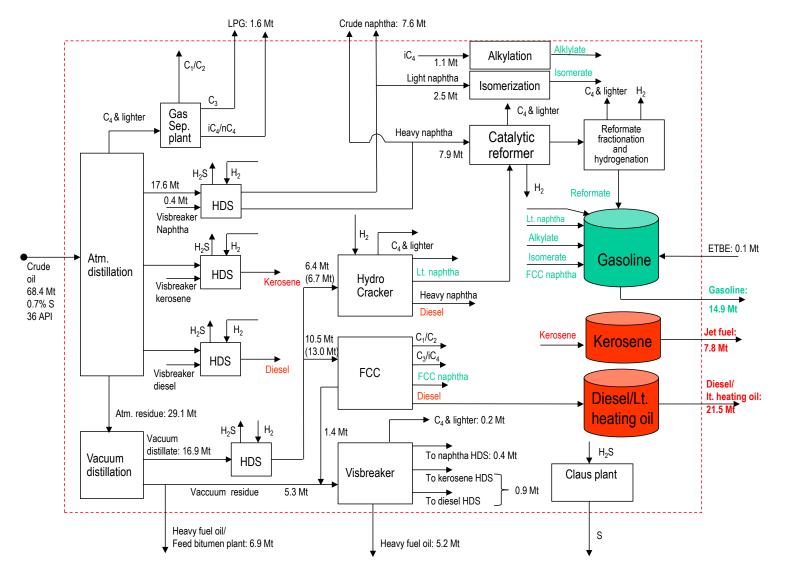




- Calculation: Net hydrogen demand = process sources process uses
- Desulphurisation is a sensitive parameter to net hydrogen demand
- By tendency,
  - crude oil quality is further deteriorating  $\rightarrow$  increasing sulphur content
  - demand for heavy fuel fractions is decreasing → maritime emission areas



### Synthetic refinery France





## Hydrogen demand and production French & Germany crude oil refineries (kt/yr)

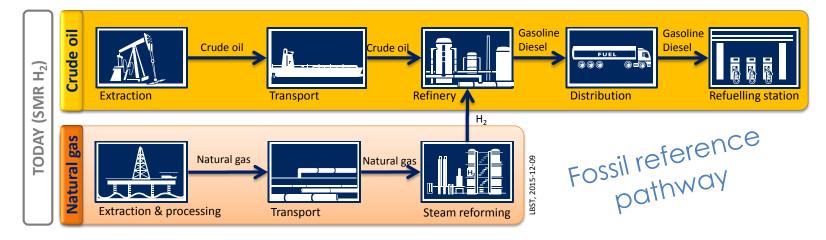
	Refinery process	H <sub>2</sub> demand	$H_2$ production	Net H <sub>2</sub> demand
	Hydrocracking	220.3		
[	Vacuum distillate desulfurisation	29.2		
Ţ,	Middle distillate desulfurisation	48.9		
JCe	Naphtha desulfurisation	21.7		
Fran	FCC cracker		0*	
	Catalytic reformer		158.9	
	Total	320.1	158.9	161.3**

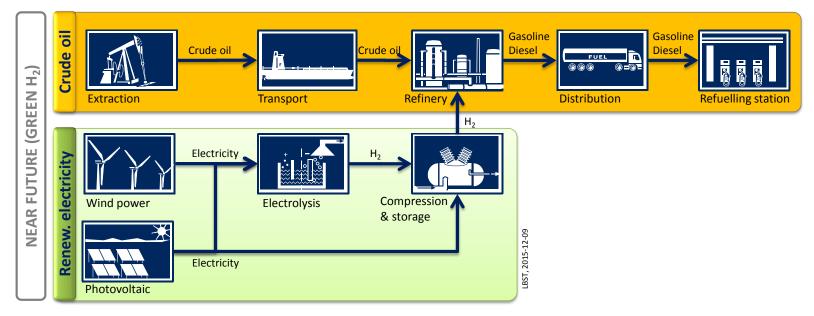
	Refinery process	H <sub>2</sub> demand	$H_2$ production	Net H <sub>2</sub> demand
yr]	Hydrocracking	327.2		
kt/y	Vacuum distillate desulfurisation	22.3		
	Middle distillate desulfurisation	65.1		
nar	Naphtha desulfurisation	37.0		
Germany	FCC cracker		0*	
U	Catalytic reformer		307.7	
	Total	452.1	307.7	144.4**

\* H<sub>2</sub> from FCC plus other gases for heat supply; \*\* assumed to be supplied by steam-methane reformer (SMR)



## Life-cycle assessment (LCA) Pathways for gasoline and diesel supply







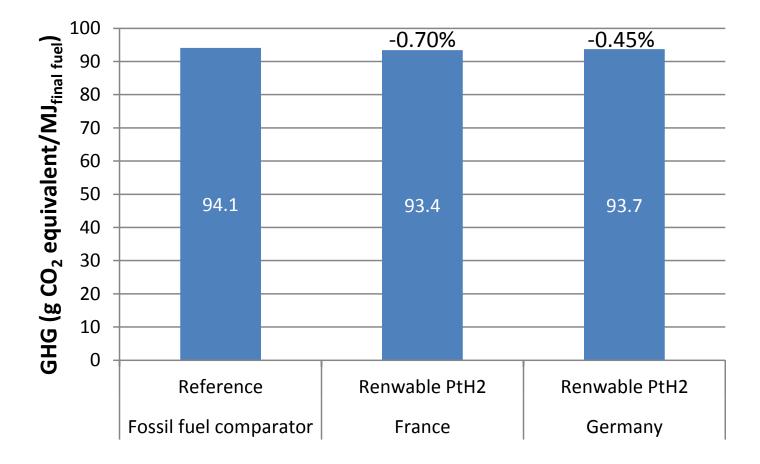


## Scenario

Refinery net H<sub>2</sub> demand from 100% green H<sub>2</sub>



## Greenhouse gas emissions per final fuel France and Germany [g CO<sub>2eq</sub>/MJ<sub>final fuel</sub>]



FQD minimum target is -6% GHG emissions by 2020



	France	Germany
GHG mitigation of refinery emissions	1.33 Mt CO <sub>2eq</sub> /a	1.50 Mt CO <sub>2eq</sub> /a
	14.1 %	7.2 %

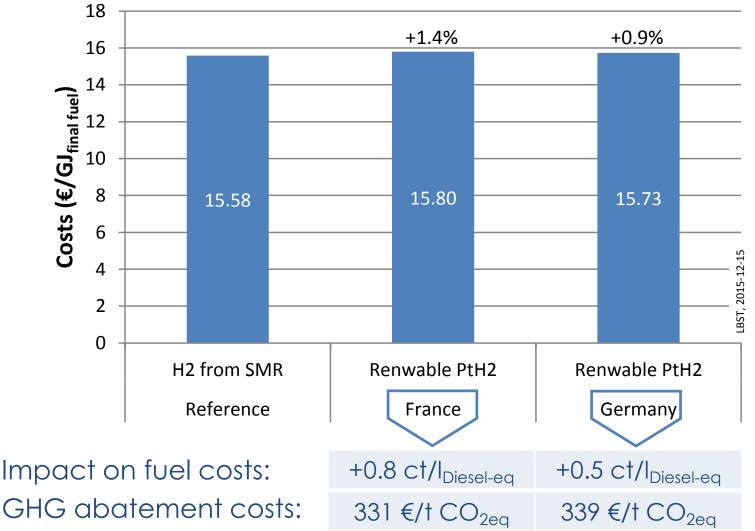
To give an impression about the quantities, this is equivalent to annual GHG emission of C segment cars in the order of

Gasoline car @ 7.0l/100km	575,000	648,000
Diesel car @ 5.5l/100km	658,000	740,000

→ Tangible action for refinery corporate social responsibility (CSR)



## Gasoline and diesel production costs France and Germany [€/GJ<sub>final fuel</sub>]



Penalties for non-compliance are 470 €/t CO<sub>2eq</sub> in Germany



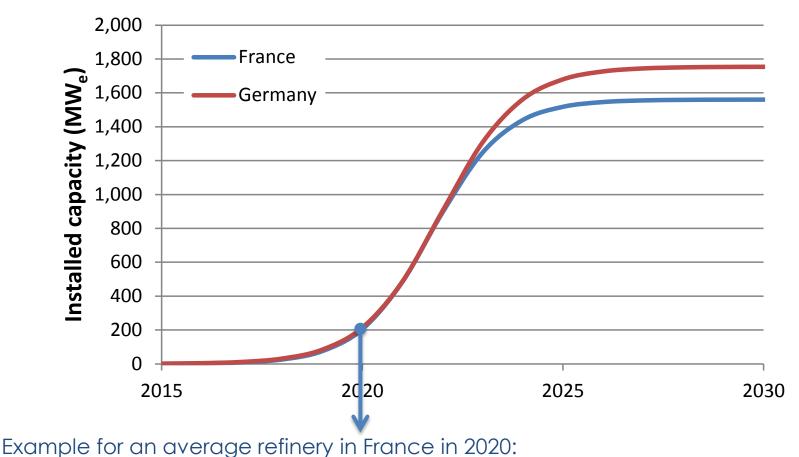
## Cumulated investments France and Germany

	<b>40 % PV : 60 % wind onshore</b>	
	France	Germany
Net H <sub>2</sub> input per crude oil input	0.66 % (LHV)	0.39 % (LHV)
CUC mitigation of refinencemissions	1.33 Mt CO <sub>2eq</sub> /a	1.50 Mt CO <sub>2eq</sub> /a
GHG mitigation of refinery emissions	14.1 %	7.2 %
H <sub>2</sub> demand	4.06 TWh <sub>H2</sub> /a 122 kt <sub>H2</sub> /a	4.56 TWh <sub>H2</sub> /a 137 kt <sub>H2</sub> /a
Required electrolyser capacities	1.58 GW <sub>e</sub>	1.78 GW <sub>e</sub>
Electrolyser cost reduction 2025	45 % <sub>2015</sub>	45 % <sub>2015</sub>
Cumulated investments electrolysis [€]	1.5 billion €	1.6 billion €
Electricity demand H <sub>2</sub> production	6.24 TWh <sub>e</sub> /a	7.02 TWh <sub>e</sub> /a
Required RES plant capacities	3.14 GW <sub>e</sub>	3.73 GW <sub>e</sub>
<ul> <li>Wind onshore</li> </ul>	■ 1.90 GW <sub>e</sub>	■ 2.24 GW <sub>e</sub>
<ul> <li>Photovoltaics</li> </ul>	■ 1.24 GW <sub>e</sub>	■ 1.49 GW <sub>e</sub>
Cumulated investments RES plants	4.4 billion €	5.4 billion€
Cumulated investments RES + electrolysis	5.9 billion €	7.0 billion €

→ For comparison: 650,000 cars · 30,000 €/EV = 19.5 billion €



## Scenario installed electrolyser capacities in French and German refineries



 $\rightarrow$  8 units of 4 MW wind power plants + 20 MW installed photovoltaics



#### Conclusions

- Green H<sub>2</sub> in refineries is an attractive GHG mitigation option
- A portfolio of options will be needed post-2020 at the latest
- Introduction of green  $H_2$  in an established bulk  $H_2$  application
- Volume production of H<sub>2</sub> reduces electrolyser costs
- Electrolysers 'valley of death' is bridged by all fuel users
- → Deployment of electrolysers for refineries is a strategic move entailing long-term benefits for all hydrogen uses.

#### **Recommendations**

- Establish regulatory grounds for accountability at EU level
- Fast-track implementation rather at national level
- This study did full-cost analysis to explore the potentials next:
  - Refinery specific business case analyses
  - Regional renewable electricity supply scenarios
  - Synergies between electricity, refinery, H<sub>2</sub> infrastructure



## Application B Semi-centralised PtG system for coupling the electricity and transport sectors

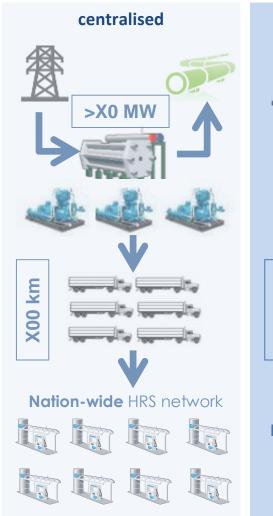


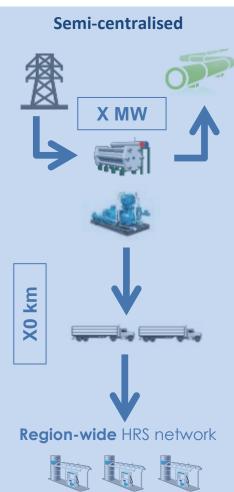
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#### W/o transport





With transport

**On-site** 

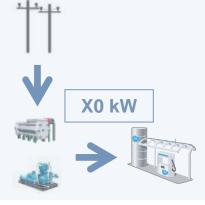
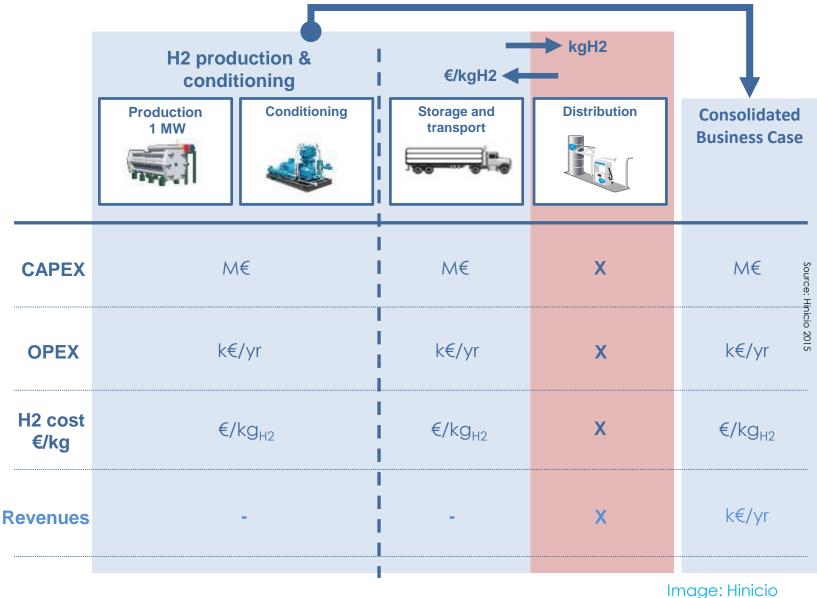


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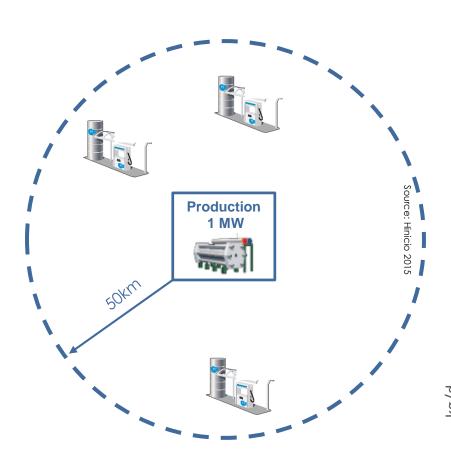
#### Main components of a semi-centralised Power-to-Gas system



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## System dimensioning: starting from the demand



#### Electrolyser dimensioning and location

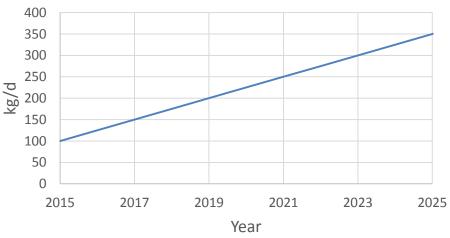
• <u>Dimensioning:</u>

Hypothetical demand of **325 kg/day** requiring a **1 MW** of electrolysers capacity

#### • Location:

The electrolyser is located where its makes most sense with regards to **interfacing with the power and natural gas grid**, **operations and logistics**.





Image& figures: Hinicio 36



Production

Conditioning

# **System dimensioning:** costs and revenues of the electolyser and conditioning center

## CAPEX

1 MW electrolyser including conditioning and trailer filling center and grid injection skid:

- 2015: 2.5 M€
- 2030: 1.2 M€

## OPEX

- Electricity costs
  - Spot market price/Energy purchase price
  - Grid charges and other fees
  - Grid charge exemption for electricity used for injection of H2
- O&M : 6% CAPEX/year

### **REVENUES**

- H2 injection: 90 €/MWh
- Primary/ secondary reserve payments: 18 €/MW/h



# **System dimensioning:** Hydrogen storage and distribution system



## How to dimension hydrogen logistics and storage?

- Size of storage @ HRS
- Size of trailers
- Number of trailers

#### 3-step dimensioning method

The HRS storage is sized according to the specific cost of delivery vs. the specific cost storage capacity (€/kg): **delivery** every 3 to 4 days at full capacity.

The trailer capacity is chosen in order to have a **filling time of less than one day** from the electrolyser.

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The number of trailers needed in the supply chain is determined based on **time to refill vs total hydrogen consumption**.

One 200 kg trailer is sufficient for initial volumes, 3 trailers when full electrolyser capacity is reached.

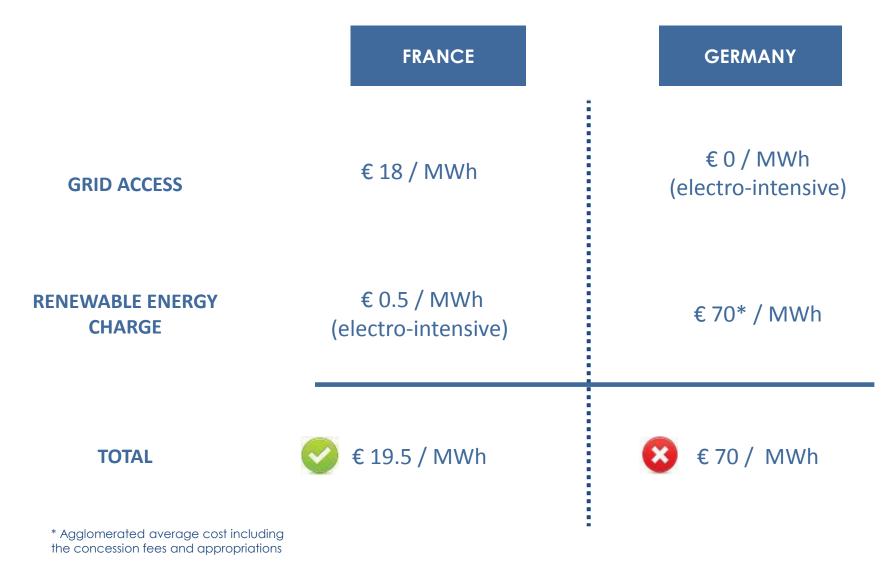


## System dimensioning: costs of logistics and storage



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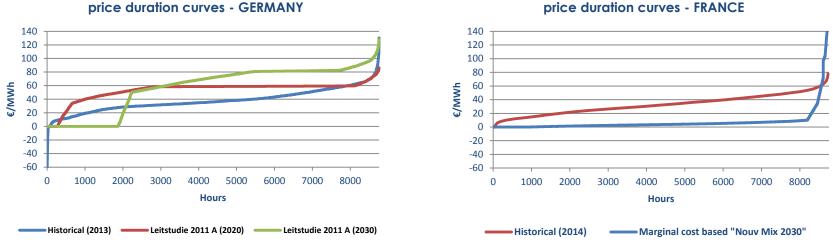
## PtG can build on a more favorable electricity tax regime in France





#### Increasing penetration of low marginal cost generation makes PtG more attractive, in particular in France

Historical and projected marginal-cost-based



Historical and projected marginal-cost-based price duration curves - GERMANY

Historical data : 2014 spot market prices for France ; 2013 spot market prices for Germany

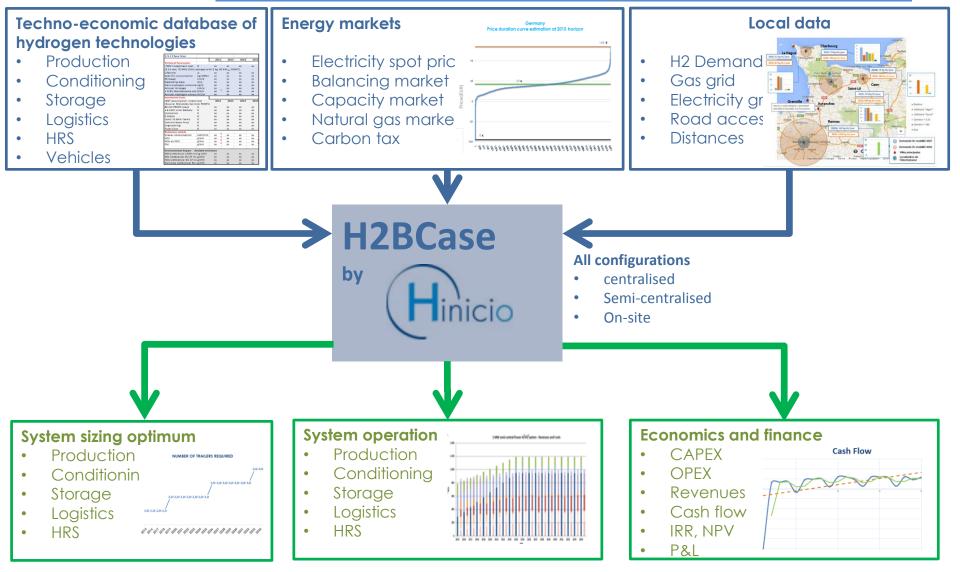
For 2020 and 2030, curves are based on marginal costs of production, including CO2 price, and based on projected residual load power duration curves.

- Marginal costs are generally lower in France than in Germany, due to nuclear and increased share of variable RE.
- Visible impact of zero marginal cost RE going forward.

Figures: Hinicio with data [Leitstudies 2011, RTE 2015, EPEX SPOT 2014, EPEX SPOT 2013] 41



# H2BCase by HINICIO: Optimising and simulating your hydrogen supply chain





## 12 scenarios assessed

Parameter	Scenario											
	1 - Ref	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Country	France		Germany									
Year of electrolyser commissioning	2015			2020	2030						2030	
Initial/Final H2 Mobility demand (kg/d)	100/325	100/ 163					No H2 mobilit y sales		100/ 163			
Electricity price duration curve or cost	France 2014		Germ. 2014	Germ. 2020	Germ. 2030							17% of wind el. Cost Germ.
Grid charge	France 2015		Germany 2015 rates									
CSPE (€/MWh)	Electr int. 0.5					19.5						
H2 injection price (€/MWh)	90 (FIT)				55.8			No inject.	No inject		55.8	
Electrolyser capex (M €/ MW)	1,9				0.55						0.55	
Electrolyser efficiency/stack lifetime	66%/4y				75%/ 10y						75%/ 10y	



Scenario <u>Nbr</u>	1 (Ref)
Country	France
Year of electrolyser commissioning	2015
Initial/Final H2 Mobility demand (kg/d)	100/325
Electricity price duration curve	France 2014
Grid charge	France 2015 rates
CSPE (€/MWh)	Electro-int. 0.5
H2 injection price (€/MWh)	90 (FIT)
Electrolyser capex (M €/ MW)	1,9
Electrolyser efficiency/stack lifetime	66%/4y

- H2Mobility market consumes 1/3 of electrolyser capacity in year 1 (1MW electrolyser – 100 kg/day – 100 FCEV/REX or 4 busses) and increases to full electrolyser capacity in year 10.
- Electrolyser plant considered to be benefiting from "electro intensif" regime (low grid / tax fees).
- Available capacity permitting, H2 is produced for injection into the Gas Grid when marginal costs of H2 production are lower than Feed-In-Tariff (assuming €90/ MWh) to achieve increase revenue streams during market take-off phase of FCEV.
- No charges applied to the electricity consumed for producing the hydrogen injected into the gas grid



#### 1 MW semi-central Power-to-H2 system - Revenues and Costs (CAPEX depreciated)

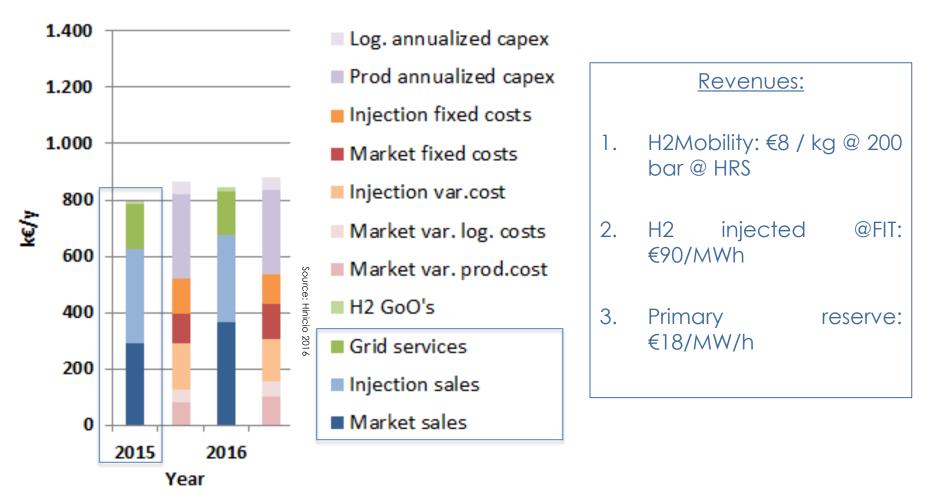
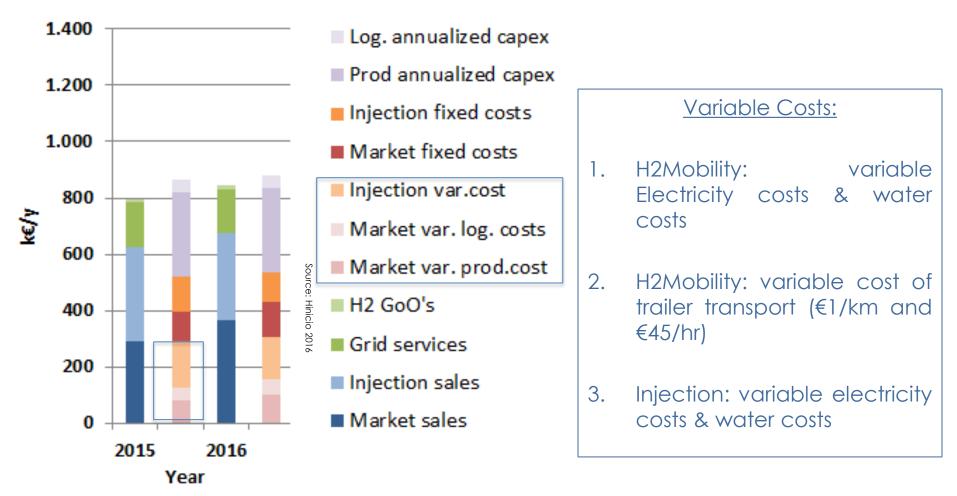


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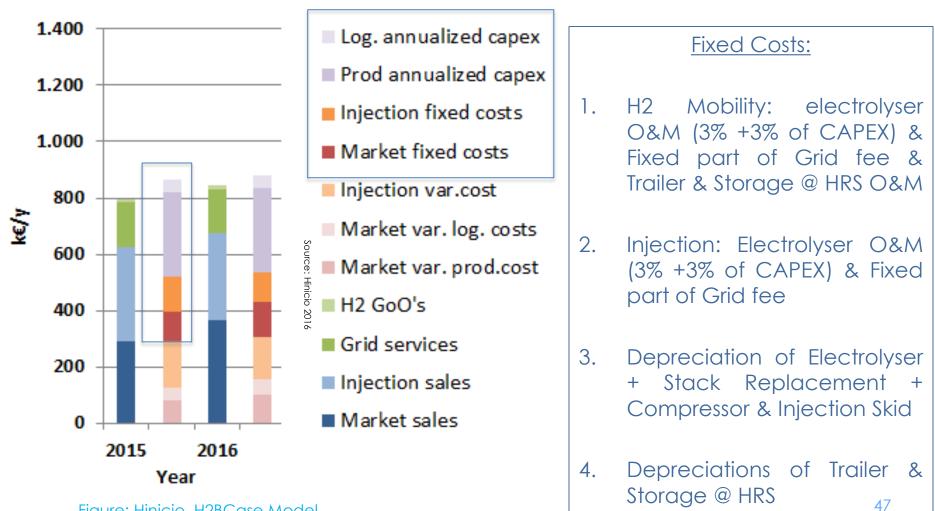
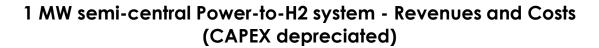
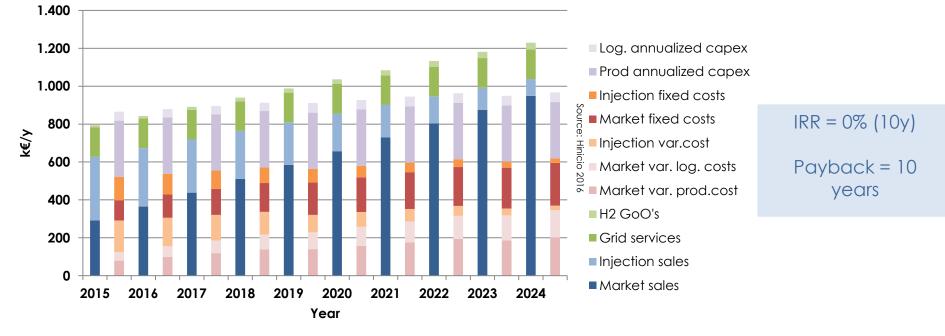


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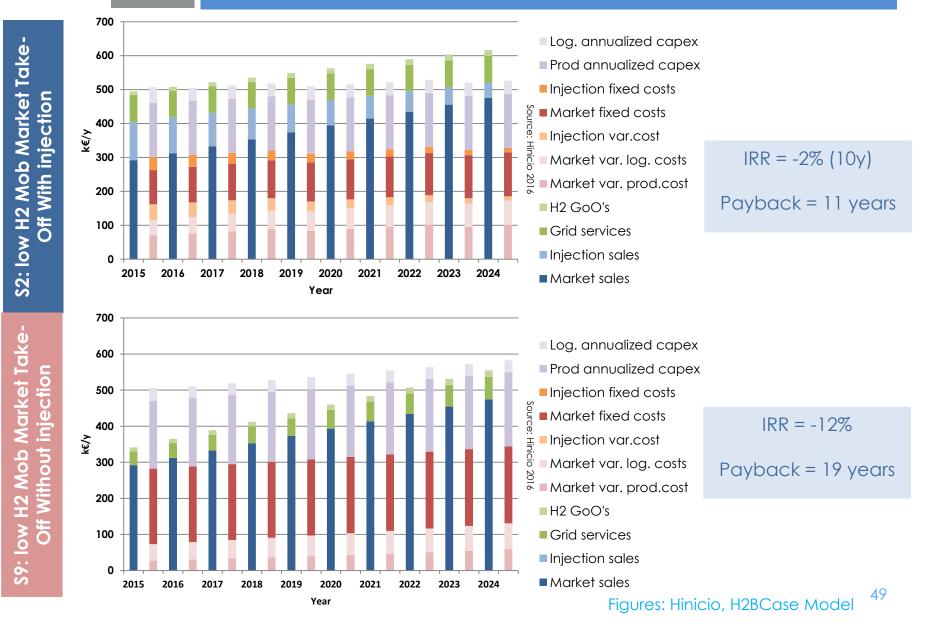
### Scenario 1 - Reference - Results





Injection into the Gas Grid complement revenue streams during "valley of death" of FCEV market. Its contribution to margin decreases as hydrogen mobility market takes off.

### Injection provides risk coverage against lower than expected hydrogen sales

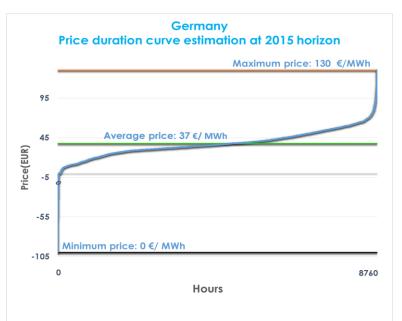


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## Scenario 3 - Germany 2015 - Hypotheses

Parameter	1 - Ref	2	3	4	5		
Country	France	1	Germany				
Year of electrolyser commissioning	2015			2020	2030		
Initial/Final H2 Mobility demand (kg/d)	100/325	100/ 163					
Electricity price duration curve or cost	France 2014		Germ. 2014	Germ. 2020	Germ. 2030		
Grid charge	France 2015		Germany 2015 rate		5 rates		
CSPE (€/MWh)	Electr int. 0.5						
H2 injection price (€/MWh)	90 (FIT)			1	55.8		
Electrolyser capex (M €/ MW)	1,9			1	0.55		
Electrolyser efficiency/stack lifetime	66%/4y				75%/ 10y		

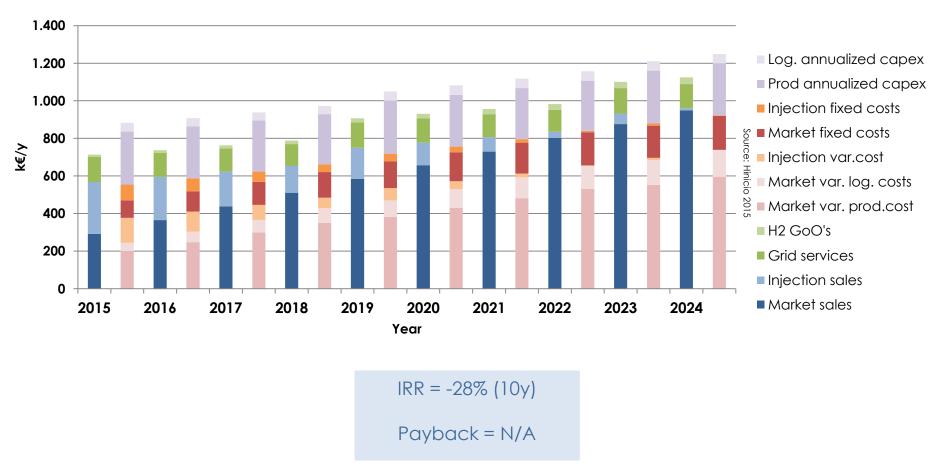


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Figures and Table: Hinicio, based on data [EPEX SPOT 2013, Germany]



#### German electricity market conditions : Revenues and Costs





### Scenario 11 – France 2030 - Hypotheses

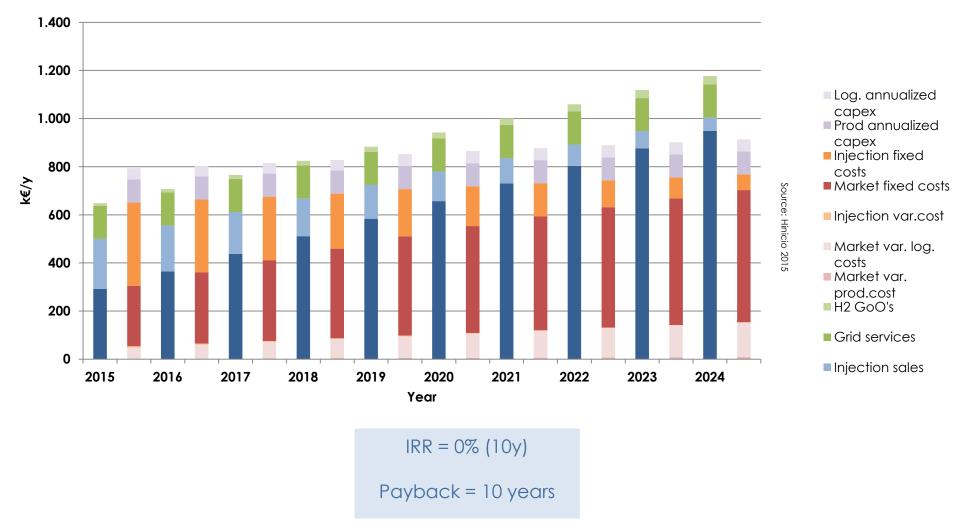
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Country	France			
Year of electrolyser commissioning	2015	2030		
Initial/Final H2 Mobility demand (kg/d)	100/325			
Electricity price duration curve or cost	France 2014	100% of wind el. cost France		
Grid charge	France 2015	Tunco		
CSPE (€/MWh)	Electr int. 0.5			
H2 injection price (€/MWh)	90 (FIT)	55.8		
Electrolyser capex (M €/ MW)	1,9	0.55		
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- Upfront purchase of the production of renewable generation capacity at projected full cost
- Electrolyser technology of 2030

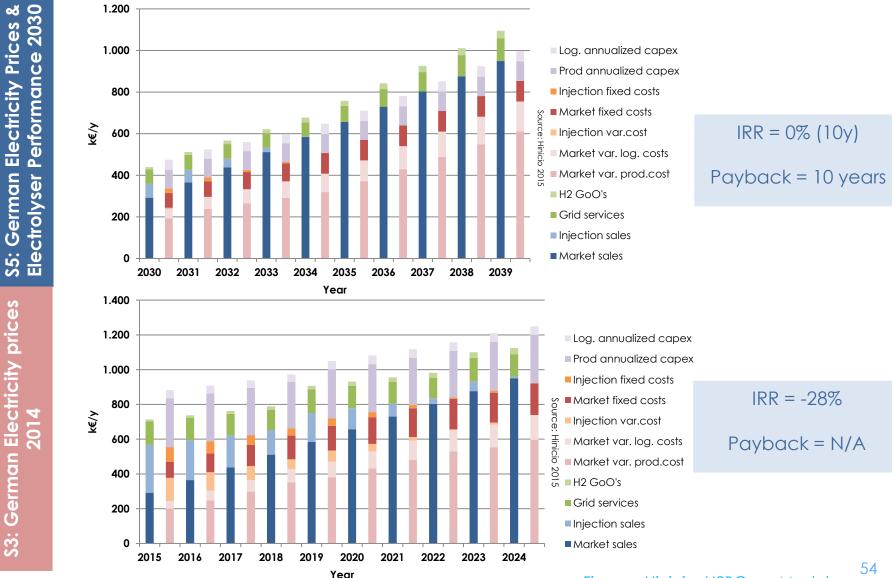
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Scenario 11 – France 2030 - Results





### Based on the marginal cost based priced duration curve considered for 2030, the Power-to-Gas application would break even



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**Electricity Prices** 

Figures: Hinicio, H2BCase Model



## Results of Scenario analysis

Scenario Nbr	1 (Ref)	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Country	France		Germany									
Year of electrolyser commissioning	2015			2020	2030						2030	
Initial/Final H2 Mobility demand (kg/d)	100/325 (50+50 / 140+185)	100/163 (50+50/(70+ 93)					No H2 mobility sales		100/163			
Electricity price duration curve or cost	France 2014		Germ. 2014	Germ. 2020	Germ. 2030					26% of wind el. Cost France	100% of wind el. cost France	17% of wind el. Cost Germ.
Grid charge	France 2015		Germany 2015 rates							THICE	FIGHCE	Genn.
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H2 injection price (€/MWh)	90 (FIT)				55,8			No inject.	No inject		55,8	
Electrolyser capex (M €/ MW)	1,9				0,55						0,55	
Electrolyser efficiency/stack lifetime	66%/4y				75%/10y						75%/10 y	
IRR after 10 years	0%	-2%	-28%		0%	-5%	N/A	-3%	-12%	0%	0%	0%
1st Year EBIT > 0	Year 4	Year 2	N/A		Year 3	Year 5	N/A	year 5	year 13	year 4	Year 5	year 3
Payback Period	10 years	11 years	N/A		10 years	12 years	N/A	11 years	19 years	9 years	10 years	10 years
Alternative 1 to achieve IRR = 0%		€8.4/Kg H2 Mob	€9.5/Kg H2 Mob			€9.0/Kg H2 Mob	Primary Reserve @ 45.5/MW/h	€8.5/Kg H2 Mob	€11/kg H2 Mob			
Alternative 2 to achieve IRR = 0%		FIT €109 MWh	FIT @ €190 MWh			FIT @ €121 MWh	FIT @ €133.5 MWh	Primary Reserve@ €27/MW/h	Primary Reserve@ €70/MW/h			

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- Assuming a certain number of favourable regulatory conditions, achieving economic balance seems feasible for short-term deployments in France; therefore, with some further support, for instance in the form of investment subsidies, such deployments could attract private investment.
- The French fee regime applied as assumed above, would be particularly favourable for Power-to-gas. In contrast, the grid fee regime currently applied in Germany handicaps Power-to-gas.
- Injection into the natural gas grid can generate two complementary revenue streams – from sales to the gas grid, and from services to the power grid performed when hydrogen—is produced– which reduces exposure to uncertainty of revenues from the hydrogen market.
- An economic balance could potentially be achieved in both market environments and without public financial support by 2030 thanks to technological improvements.





- Create a feed-in tariff for the injection of green or low-carbon hydrogen into the natural gas grid of a level comparable to that of biomethane in France;
- In France, grant the hyperélectro-intensif status to hydrogen power-to-gas production;
- In Germany, provide similar tax, EEG appropriation, and grid fee benefits to hydrogen production by electrolysis as the hyperélectro-intensif status;
- In Europe, further develop sustainability criteria, certification procedures and accountability of green or low-carbon hydrogen towards EU targets, especially with regard to the EU Renewable Energies Directive (RED) and the EU Fuel Quality Directive (FQD);
- Exempt electricity used to produce green or low-carbon hydrogen injected into the natural gas grid from grid fees and energy taxes;
- Financially support the implementation of supplying hydrogen to fuel cell electric vehicles.



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