

Hydrogen Intelligence Service



About LCP Delta

Our mission is to enable a better, faster energy transition for all

Founded in 2004 and based across the UK, France, Norway, the Netherlands and beyond, LCP Delta provide data-driven research, consultancy, technology products and training services to companies investing in and navigating the energy transition.

We are a diverse team from a variety of backgrounds including engineers, data analysts, environmentalists and more.

LCP Delta is a mission driven organisation - all of us want to make a difference to the energy transition and accelerate the path to a low carbon future.

The energy market is becoming increasingly complex. As consumers become more empowered and as energy systems around the world decarbonise, there is a need to understand both the generation and demand side to effectively navigate the rapid changes occurring.

We know it's a complicated topic, and we're here to help.

Andy Bradly, Partner, LCP Delta

LCP Delta was formed through the merger of Delta-EE and LCP Energy to bring together deep generation and consumer-side expertise, to provide our clients with a single partner to help them on their journey and provide them with a 360° view across the energy spectrum.



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LCP Delta provides the best advice, support and tools to enable the energy sector to drive the energy transition



Subscription research services

Our portfolio of subscription research services offer in-depth insights across the energy transition landscape. We have been undertaking primary research with organisations active in the energy transition since 2004 – we have an unparalleled international network of contacts we can draw on. Each service focuses on a particular aspect of the energy transition.

Market and strategic advisory consulting

We provide support across the full energy value chain with bespoke research, insight, forecasts and advice tailored to them. Our consultancy offerings draws on expertise and data from across LCP Delta, from strategic market entry analysis through to detailed half-hourly revenue forecasting.



We support our clients in four ways



Technology & data

Data integration and analysis is at the heart of the energy transition. However, sourcing and navigating complex, wide-ranging datasets is challenging. At LCP Delta, we combine and curate proprietary and public datasets to provide you with a single source of truth across the energy spectrum and make this data interactive using our cutting-edge technology.

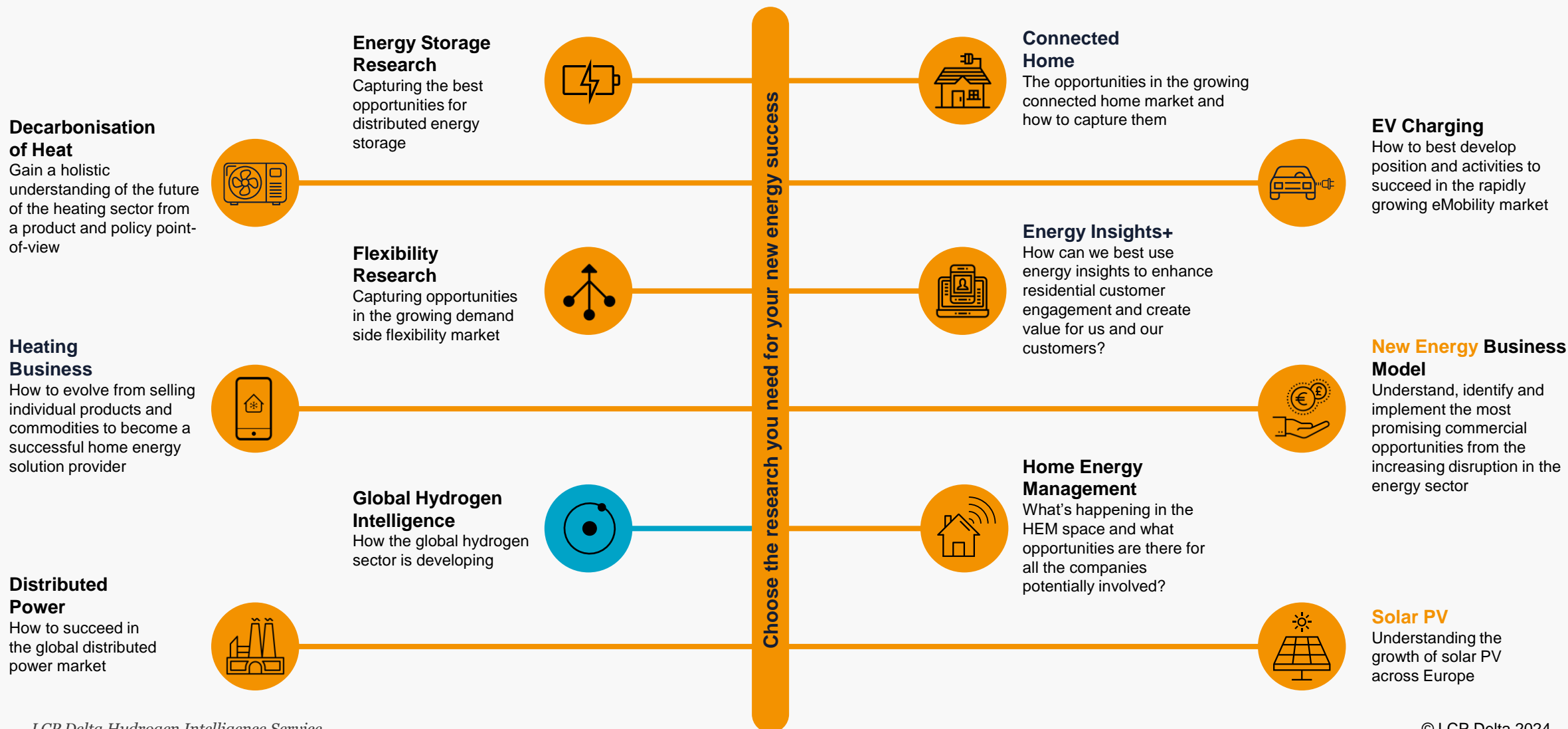
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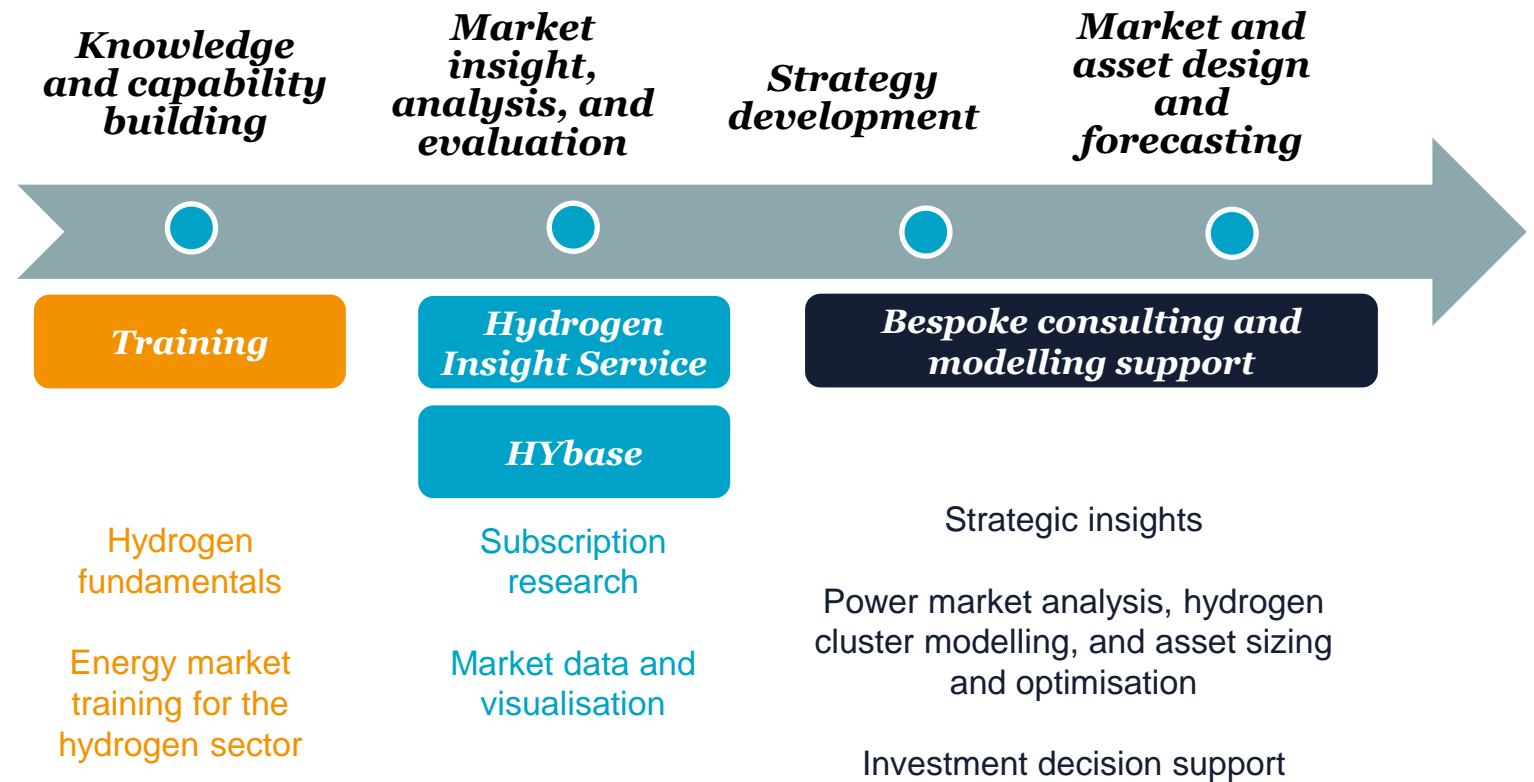


Subscription Research Services

Use a combination of our subscription research services, bespoke consultancy projects and training services to gather the information you need to ensure your business's success in the energy transition.



LCP Delta Hydrogen
Support for companies to
**understand, develop
strategy and tactics**
for, and **invest** in
emerging **hydrogen
markets** in Europe and
beyond



Clients we support



**Govt, Regulators &
System Operators**



Oil & Gas Sector



Utilities



Energy Networks



Investors

Hydrogen has become a headliner in the energy transition

Why is this? Will this last?

Why has hydrogen become a headliner in the energy transition debate?

Net zero is now the ambition

This is not possible without hydrogen

Electrification creates network and system operation challenges

Clean hydrogen can smooth out some of the peaks and troughs in energy networks

Commercial viability

Falling costs of renewable electricity and electrolyzers will combine with new incentives to improve competitiveness

Vested interest

The only way the gas industry can play a significant long-term role in a net zero future

Why will hydrogen continue to play an important role in the energy transition?

Important role to play

There are no good alternatives to using clean hydrogen in steel, petrochemical refining, fertiliser manufacturing shipping and aviation

Hydrogen or electrification?

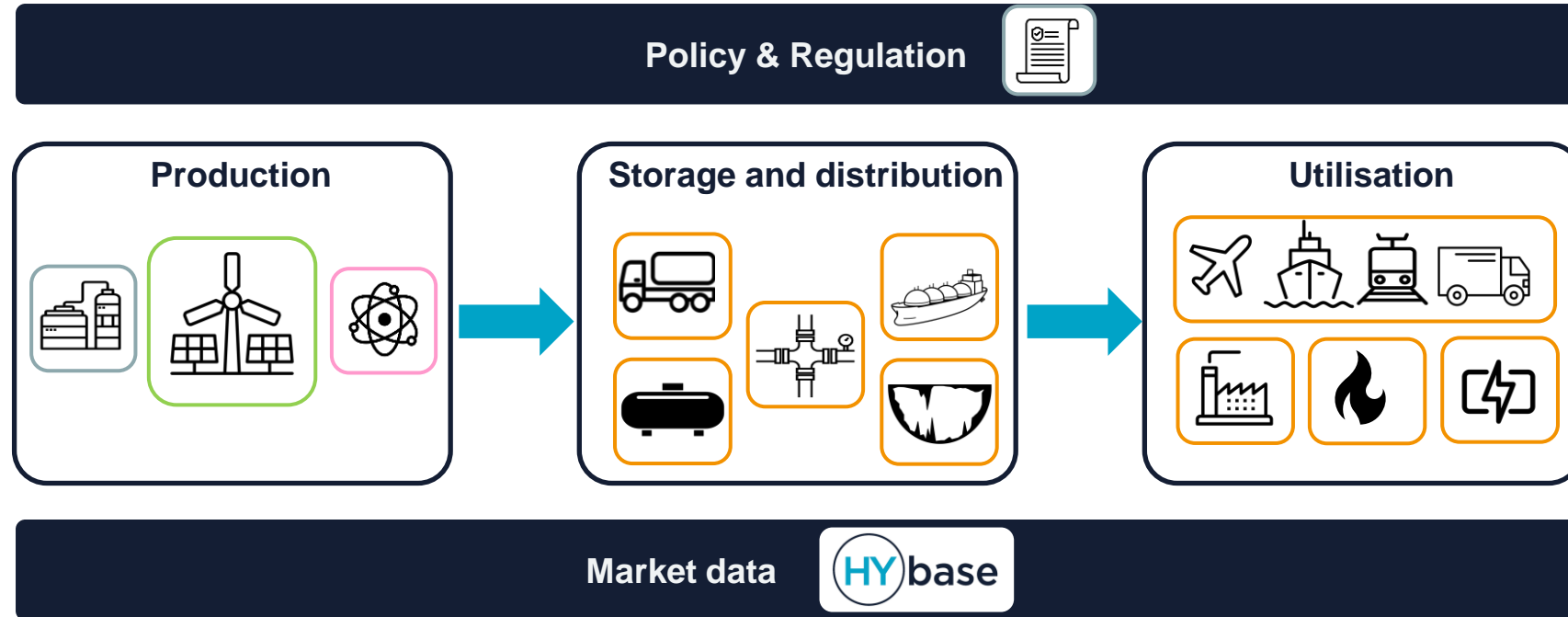
There is huge uncertainty as to where direct electrification is feasible and desirable – and where hydrogen is a better answer than electrification

This is the battlefield which will determine the future role for hydrogen.

We cover the full clean hydrogen value chain

From production through distribution storage and end-use

Focussing on green hydrogen, we help you to understand where and when demand for clean hydrogen will develop and identify how value chains will be established.

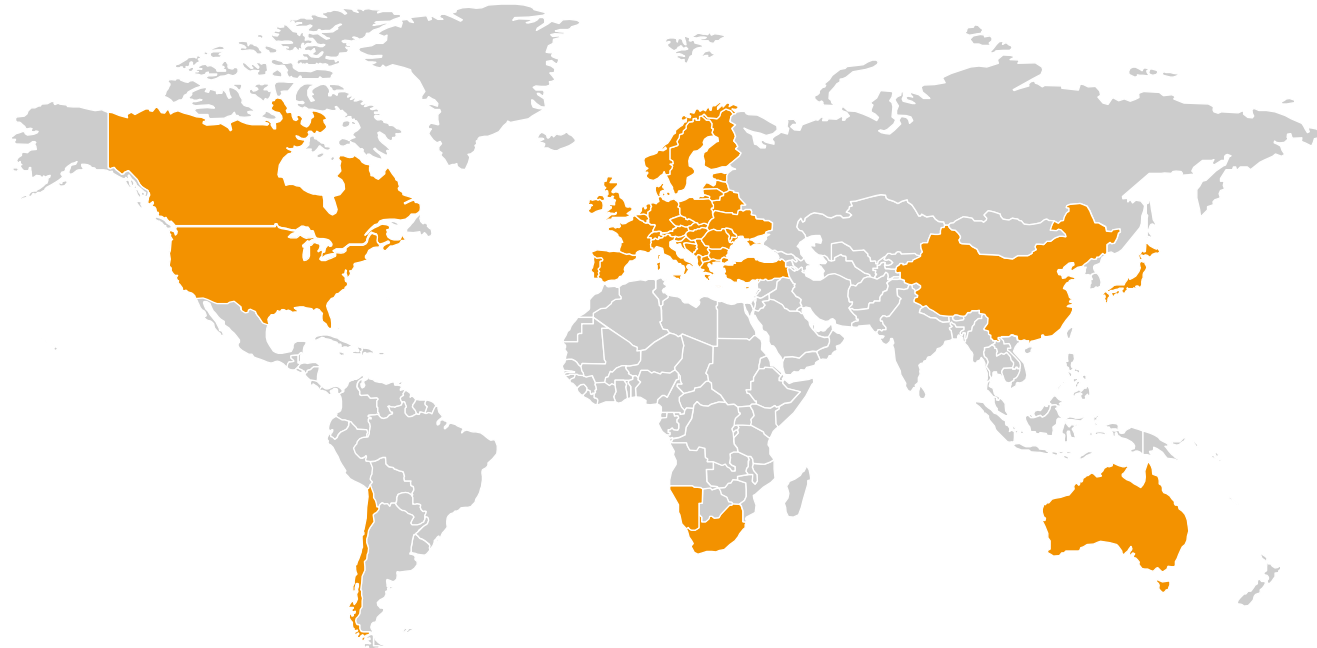


Understand the key markets for green hydrogen

We offer realistic, no-hype analyses and views on the whole of the developing clean hydrogen value chain in Europe and across key global markets.

We cover Europe and other key global markets in our research

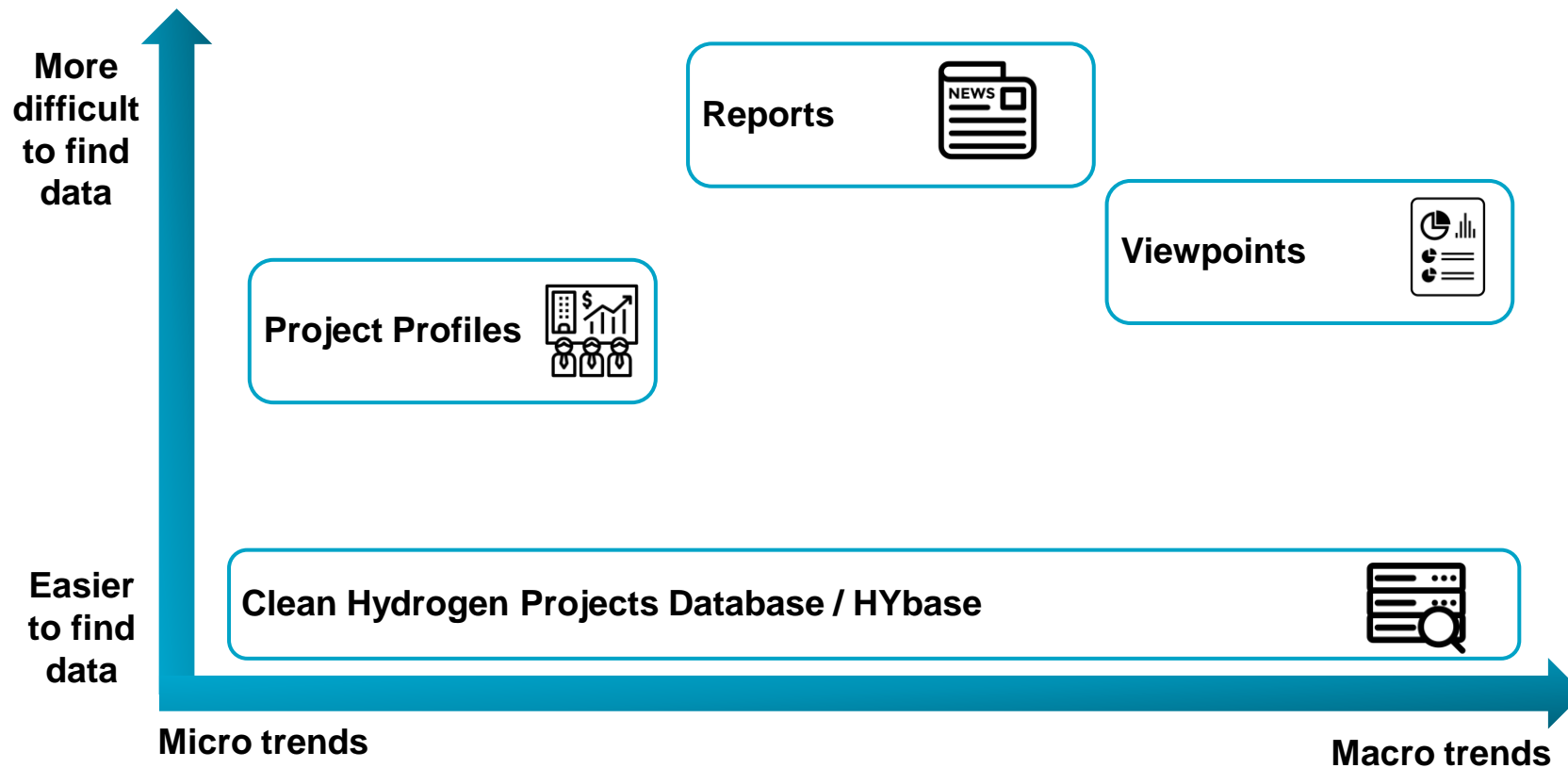
- Understanding and providing depth of knowledge on the demand side of clean hydrogen.
- Providing expertise in market activity around green hydrogen solutions – not just electrolysis.
- We bring clarity to policy and regulatory developments helping you to understand the incentives at play.



Data and reports offer breadth and depth of research

Our projects database underpins our qualitative reports

Offering breadth of knowledge through our Clean Hydrogen Projects Database, as well as depth on specific topics through viewpoints, reports and profiles.



Immediate access to existing content

January 2024



Levelised Cost of Hydrogen Calculator

Excel model to breakdown hydrogen project cost components with built in multi-year forecast



National Hydrogen Strategies

Global H2 strategy tracker, with review and summary of H2 policy ambitions. Recurring update.



Project Profiles

Detailed take-aways from strategic hydrogen projects across the globe, unpicking project investment, stakeholder involvement and key learning for next of a kind projects.

>20 profiles live



European Green H2 project database

Portal includes over 800 up to date projects, with in-depth information on a project level basis to support business development roles (including details on stakeholders, planning stage, and investment).

The tool also provides market trends based on the announced project pipeline, including an offtaker analysis.

Reports & Viewpoints



H2 Production

- The EU Electrolyser Market: What now and what next?
- How will electrolyzers secure their green power?

Storage & Distribution

- Hydrogen Blending in Natural Gas Networks - How will a market develop?
- How are gas DSOs influencing the transition from natural gas to hydrogen in networks?
- Hydrogen long-duration energy storage: how much capacity will there be across Europe by 2030, and will this be enough?

Understanding Offtakers

- Clean Hydrogen Demand in Industry – Fundamentals & Outlook to 2030
- Clean Hydrogen for Power Generation
- Will hydrogen trucks scale in Europe, and to what degree by 2030?
- Near-term opportunities for hydrogen in aviation

Unlocking Investment

- What is driving developers of green hydrogen projects?
- What support mechanisms are emerging for hydrogen, and what will their impact be?
- Hydrogen market development: new players on the block

How our research helps your business


The service allows you to make the best-informed decisions by providing data, analysis, insights and realism on how the global clean hydrogen sector is developing.

Benefits

- Cuts through the hype around hydrogen to give a realistic view of the sector
- A user-friendly, intuitive way to find out who is doing what, where how and why
- A reliable source of up-to-date information on developments in clean hydrogen
- Deep dives into demand for hydrogen across key applications, exploring economics and business cases
- Learn from projects, both existing and planned
- Insights into key aspects of the hydrogen value chain

Example clients

- Energy suppliers
- Oil majors
- Gas network companies
- Policymakers
- TSOs
- DSOs
- Equipment OEMs



LCP Delta provides us with ongoing, first-class insight and advice to support our low carbon investment activities.

Leading Investment Company



Research Highlights

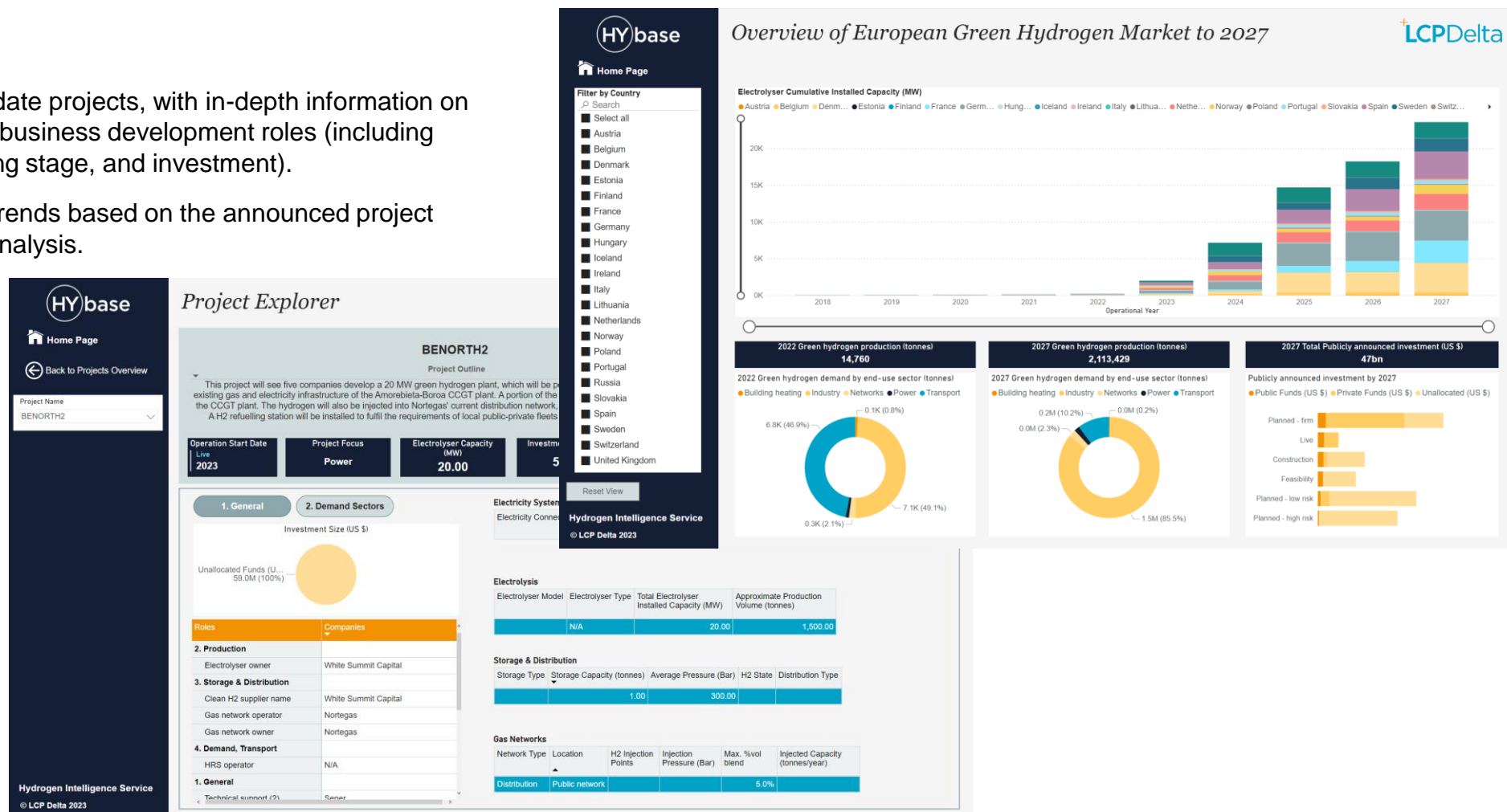
HYbase: European Green Hydrogen projects database

Published January 2024 (Quarterly updates)

Synopsis

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Green Hydrogen Market Report

Published April 2023 (annual updates)

Synopsis

This report explores the current and future electrolysis market across Europe, analysing data from our [HYbase](#) database of electrolyser projects, focusing on the 'new wave' of clean hydrogen project activity. It covers the current picture from 2011 through to the end of 2022 and looks forward to 2027. The report:

- Summarises how the electrolyser market has changed in 2022
- Identifies the electrolysis capacity pipeline in Europe to 2027, highlighting the leading markets where projects will emerge
- Provides insights into the electrolyser manufacturers supplying the market and the public funding awarded for projects
- Analyses the green hydrogen demand by end-use sector to provide an understanding of what is driving clean hydrogen demand

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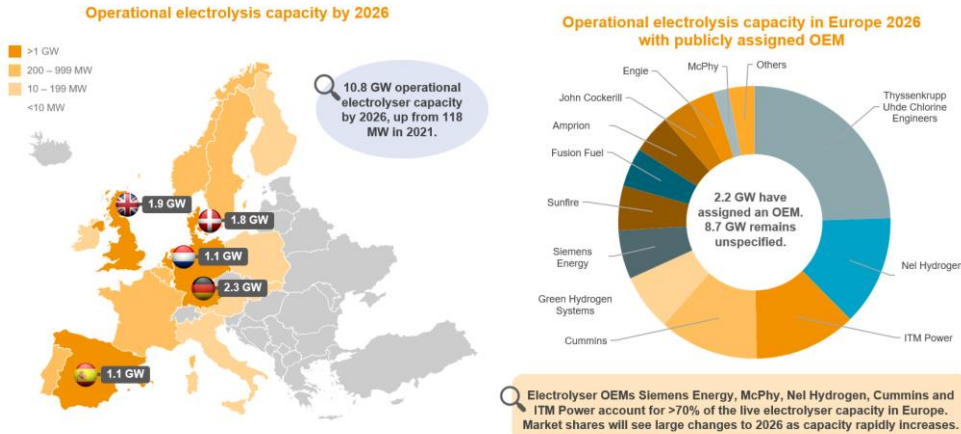
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HYbase platform includes live and interactive data on green hydrogen projects across Europe.
[Access HYbase here.](#)

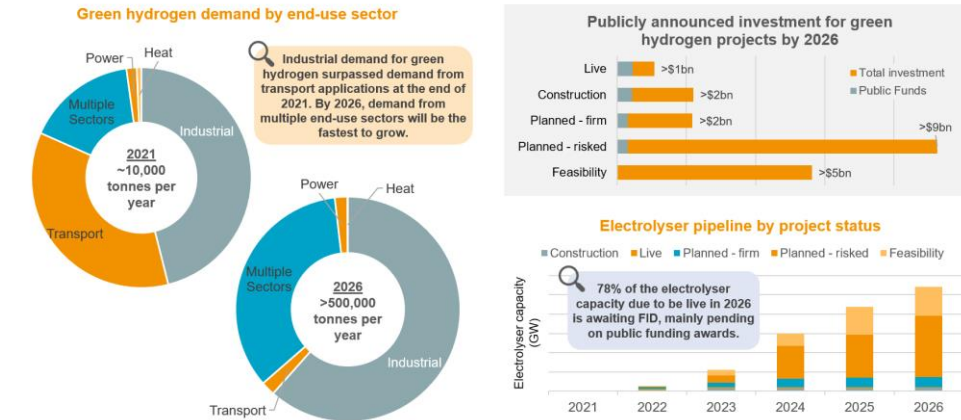
Executive Summary (1/2)

10.8 GW of electrolyser capacity in the pipeline for Europe by 2026



Executive Summary (2/2)

Industry is already the largest end-user of green hydrogen in Europe



National Hydrogen Strategies

Published July 2023 (quarterly updates)

Synopsis

The National Hydrogen Strategies Viewpoint should be read in conjunction with its Excel database. The database provides specific insights into the strategy details by value chain stage along with information on available subsidies and funding. This viewpoint aims to highlight and compare the focus of each national strategy reviewed and provides LCP Delta’s view on what is unique (and therefore could mark a difference) about each country’s plan.

France Plan Hydrogène (2018)

France has pledged the highest hydrogen production target by 2030 in Europe with an aim of supplying local demand and exporting to other markets.

*Germany is planning to increase their target above France's, but this revision is still pending. Moreover, France is planning to release their own revised strategy in the first half of 2023, therefore it is yet to be seen who will hold the highest production target in the EU.

Value chain focus

Production	High
Storage & Distribution	Low
Utilisation	High

Status: Strategy under review

What makes this strategy different?

France's Plan Hydrogene has the **highest production target in the EU***, with 6.5 GW electrolyser capacity by 2030. France wants to build its production capabilities to supply the domestic hydrogen demand and also export any excess hydrogen.

The production focus is on decarbonised hydrogen, which will include hydrogen produced using **nuclear energy**. This is in contrast to some other European countries (namely Germany) which reject nuclear-powered hydrogen as 'clean'.

From a utilisation standpoint, France has pledged a **strong focus on transport** (in particular for light commercial vehicles) and industrial applications.

So what?

- France's hydrogen production targets are the most ambitious in Europe, but the country has a long way to go to meet its goals. Overall, France's hydrogen strategy follows closely the goals and direction set in the European Hydrogen Strategy.
- Two nuclear hydrogen megafactories have been announced to be constructed before 2030, adding scale to France's production capabilities and drawing up its low cost nuclear electricity. The country has also announced funding for four electrolysis gigafactories, further entrenching its position as a leading producer.
- Planned underwater pipeline between Spain and France (H2MED) signals France's increasing focus on hydrogen distribution, with France a potential strategic link to the Iberian peninsula.

LCPDelta Hydrogen Strategy Tracker										
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Page description This sheet tracks the top 60 countries globally by GDP and their efforts to develop a hydrogen market. The main outcome is the publication of a hydrogen strategy, but effort										
No.	Location		H2 Interest				Year of publication of H2 Strategy	Month of Publication	Included in LCP Delta database?	Change
	Country	Continent	H2 strategy published?	H2 strategy being drafted?	H2 developments happening without strategy	No H2 interest to date				
1	United States	North America	Y	N	N	N	2022	September	Y	Significant increase
2	China	Asia	Y	N	N	N	2022	March	Y	Significant increase
3	Japan	Asia	Y	N	N	N	2017	December	Y	Moderate increase
4	Germany	Europe	Y	N	N	N	2020	June	Y	Moderate increase
5	United Kingdom	Europe	Y	N	N	N	2021	August	Y	Moderate increase

Hydrogen long-duration energy storage

Published September 2023

Synopsis

Hydrogen storage is key to realising an integrated energy system in Europe. Although operational H2 storage projects today are limited, 8 TWh of hydrogen storage projects are planned across Europe out to 2030.

Planned storage capacity would only provide storage for 1% of expected hydrogen availability (under set targets). This would not be enough volumes to meet peak demand. More notably, flexibility requirements of storage sites are likely to fall short, and multiple well developments per site should be considered to maximise injection and withdrawal rates.

Large risks such as demand, price and regulator risks remain unaddressed, hindering project development. Initial commercial arrangements are starting to be drafted; however, the UK and Europe are taking significantly different approaches.

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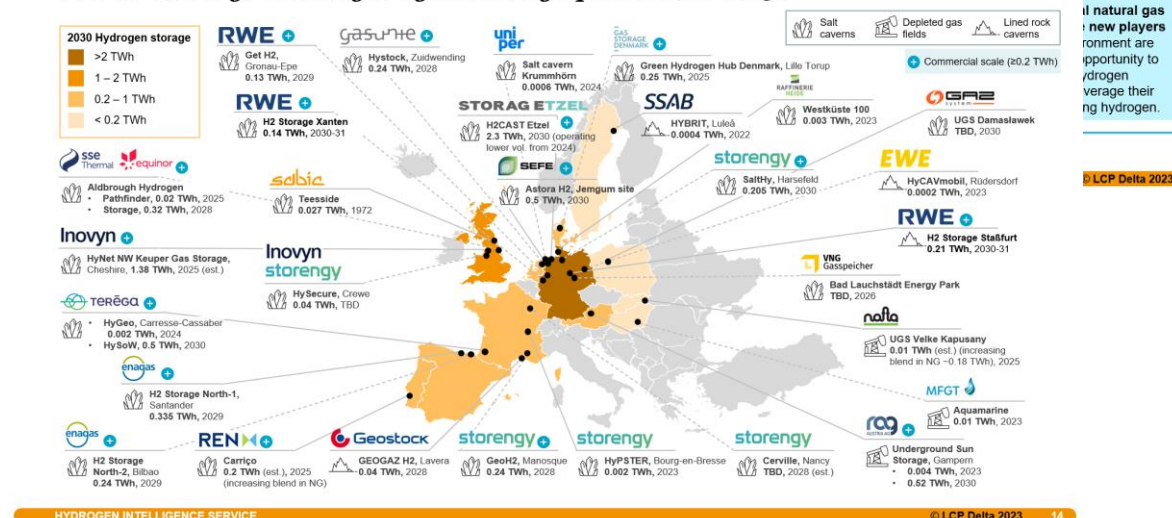
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Natural gas storage owners/operators are main lead developers
Storengy stands out with five hydrogen storage projects in the pipeline to 2030

~80% of planned H2 storage capacity projects are led by current natural gas storage operators.
The top 8 developers by capacity and project count make up 84% of the pipeline capacity.



8 TWh underground hydrogen storage planned to 2030



How are gas DSOs preparing for hydrogen?

Published June 2023

Synopsis

As the clean hydrogen market grows, projects will move from collocating production near demand centres to transporting hydrogen through networks. The regulatory framework to support these networks is only starting to be defined in some markets, and gas DSOs have a key role in shaping these. This report explores:

- What different strategies gas DSOs are following to decarbonise their networks, and their approach to hydrogen
- How hydrogen network projects are supporting emerging regulation
- What regulation exists for hydrogen networks today, and how these compare
- Which markets have the best conditions for hydrogen networks to develop

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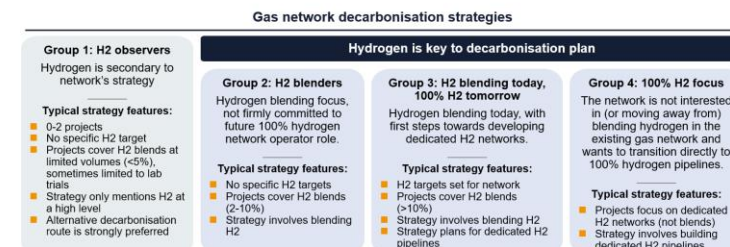
Amendments to gas regulations required to meet criteria

The EU and Australia are making progress through bespoke H2 network regulation. The UK's regulations were set around an old gas network model and USA approach is highly fragmented.

		European Union	United Kingdom	USA	Australia
1	Blending limit	2-5% limit at TSO interconnection points, none set at distribution level.	Legacy 0.1% limit. Government to decide on H2 blend ambition in 2023.	No national hydrogen blending limit is set.	Not firmly set, but a 10% limit is being discussed.
		Both horizontal and vertical unbundling	GSMR unbundling rules apply to H2	Most states have local unbundling rules.	NGL and NERL do not specify unbundling rules.

Strategies transition towards dedicated H2 networks

Some networks will jump ahead of intermediate steps



Organic gas DSO progression in H2 network development.

However, some gas DSOs have jumped straight from being hydrogen observers directly to focusing on dedicated hydrogen pipelines given the nature of their markets. Most European gas DSOs fall under Group 3, with the majority planning to move towards 100% hydrogen networks but with none or limited projects trialling this, operational focus remains around blending. Group 2 mainly includes overseas DSOs, which are only just starting to consider hydrogen or where the hydrogen availability is more limited. In Group 1, actors are strongly pursuing alternative decarbonisation routes, mainly biomethane and synthetic methane.

Will Hydrogen trucks scale in Europe by 2030?

Published March 2023

Synopsis

Fuel cell electric trucks are emerging as an alternative to decarbonise heavy-duty vehicles which account for 6% of total greenhouse gas emissions in the EU. LCP Delta forecasts there will be ~32,000 hydrogen fuel cell electric trucks on European roads by 2030.

The major challenges this decade will be increasing the limited availability of FCEV trucks commercially available, scaling up the refuelling network and improving the investment case for fleet operators to invest in the technology. This report addresses how the market is progressing against these roadblocks and the expected deployment of FCEV trucks in Europe.

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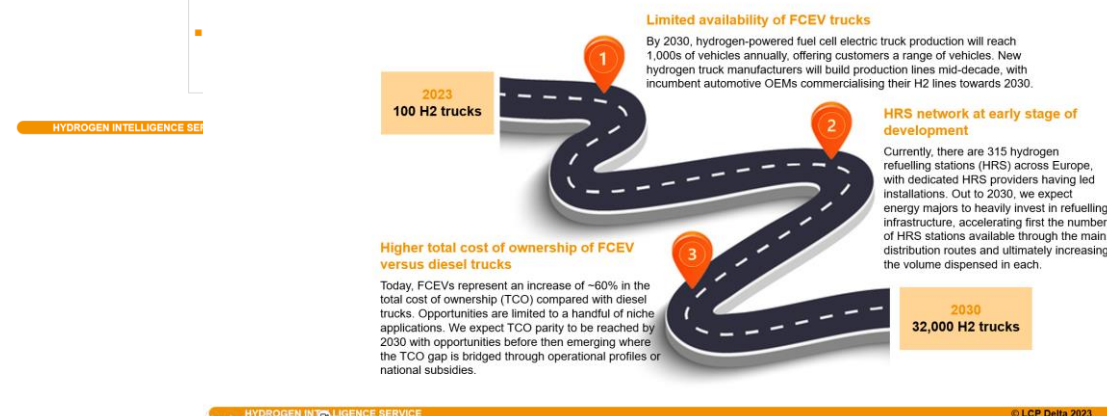
TCO parity will be the largest factor affecting uptake, with niche applications short-term

Pockets of opportunities exist for FCEV in short-term niche applications and through applications and markets which improve TCO ahead of wider TCO parity with diesel.



Key Findings

32,000 FCEV trucks on European roads by 2030, as three main roadblocks are alleviated



Clean H₂ demand in Industry: Outlook to 2030

Published July 2022

Synopsis

The industrial sector has seen increasing attention as the primary sector for the application of clean hydrogen across Europe. The difficulty in decarbonising the industrial sector coupled with the widespread, large-scale use of hydrogen in refining and chemicals production means many of the most ambitious green and blue hydrogen projects are targeting these industrial applications.

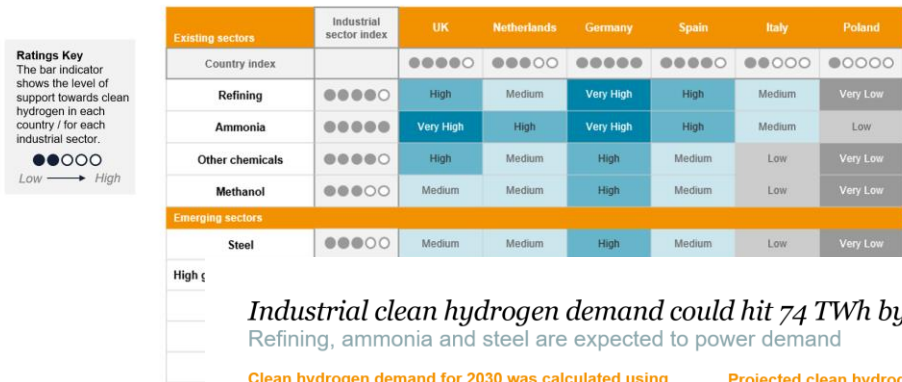
This report identifies the industrial sectors and countries which have the best conditions for generating demand for clean hydrogen across existing sectors using grey hydrogen today, as well as emerging sectors where clean hydrogen can play a new role in decarbonisation. It also provides forecasts for clean hydrogen demand across six countries and nine sectors.

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What sectors and countries will drive demand for clean H₂?
Attractiveness Index for clean hydrogen by sector & country

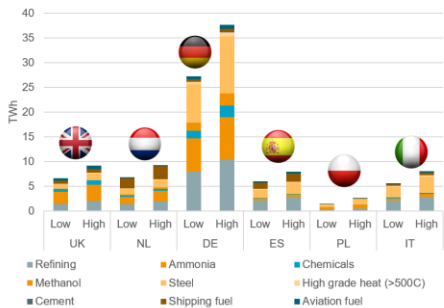
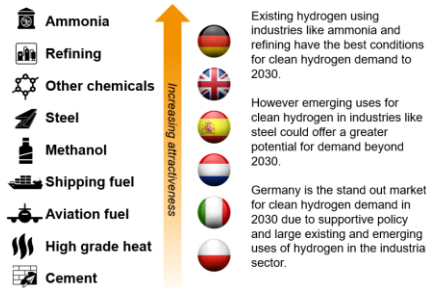


Industrial clean hydrogen demand could hit 74 TWh by 2030
Refining, ammonia and steel are expected to power demand

Clean hydrogen demand for 2030 was calculated using an Attractiveness Index for countries and sectors.

Projected clean hydrogen demand in high and low scenarios across sectors & countries in 2030

This Index allowed us to roadmap the sectors and countries where conditions are best suited to demand clean hydrogen before 2030.



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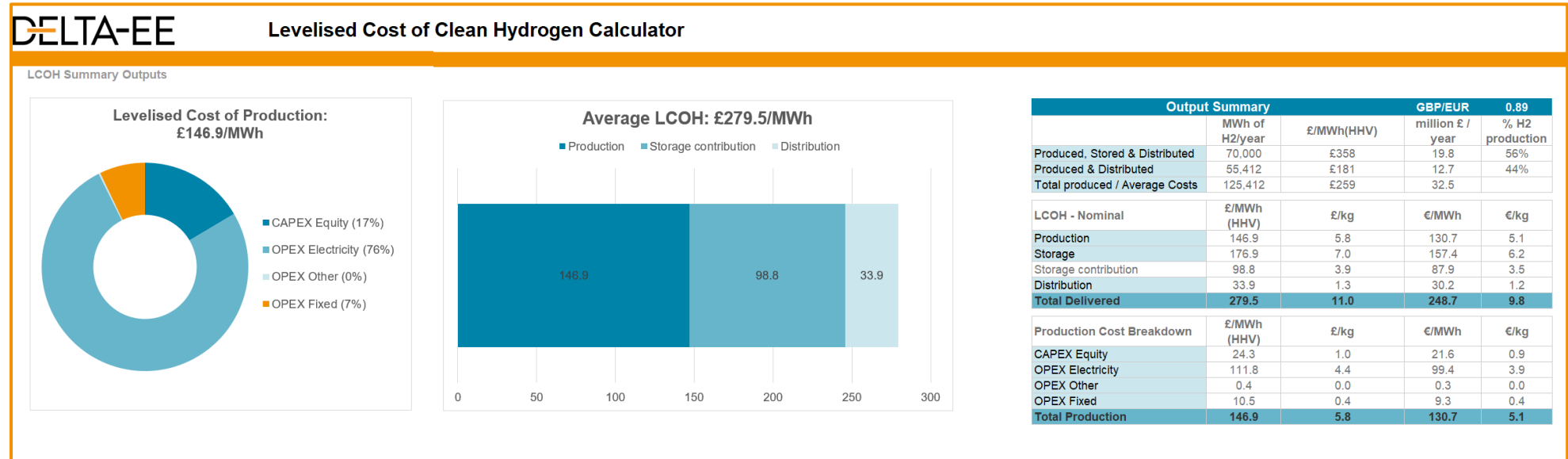
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Levelised cost of hydrogen (LCOH) calculator tool

Published April 2022

Synopsis

This Excel calculator is designed to be a flexible tool for estimating an average delivered LCOH, including production, storage and distribution costs based on the user's input parameters.



Input parameters include:

- Hydrogen production technology
 - Green - PEM, ALK & SOE
 - Blue - SMR & ATR
- Production size (MW)
- Year of installation (2020-2050)
- Energy prices
- Storage asset type
- Storage sizing
- Distribution route and distribution distances among others

Project Profiles

Ongoing

Synopsis

Detailed take-aways from strategic hydrogen projects across the globe, unpicking project investment, stakeholder involvement and key learning for next of a kind projects. Project profiles are based on direct feedback from project developers and other stakeholders.

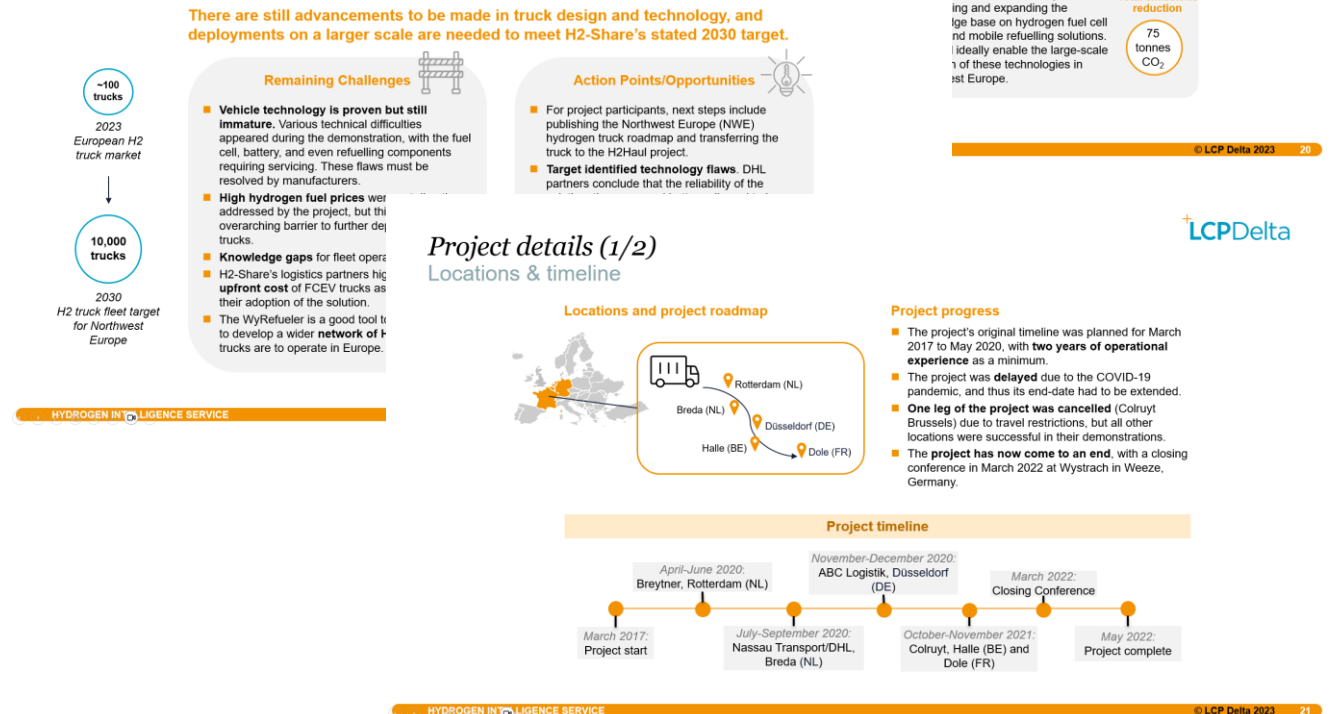
Existing project profile library includes:

- MultiPLHY
- HyPSTER
- H2Pioneer
- HySynergy
- Windgas Hassfurt
- HYGRO
- BenorthH2
- REFHYNE
- H2 Future
- Green Hysland
- Jupiter 1000
- HyDeploy - Phase 2
- Energiepark Mainz
- Hydros spider
- Haeolus
- Dolphyn
- H&R Oelwerke
- HanseWerk H2 engine
- HECTOR
- H2Share
- Hydrogen Park SA

LCP Delta view

Next steps...

Remaining challenges and new opportunities



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