



# The Feasibility of H<sub>2</sub> at Ports

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# Is H<sub>2</sub> in ports feasible?

Yes

*[end of presentation]*



## Important bits

- Is H<sub>2</sub> safe?
- Will it go bang?
- Is it too risky for a port?
- Where will it be used?
- What skills/people do we need?
- Is H<sub>2</sub> going to be used at scale or is it just a hype?
- Is there a market for H<sub>2</sub> beyond ports?
- What does it mean for me and what do I need to be aware of?
- When is all this going to happen?

Essentially the who, what, why, where, when, how of H<sub>2</sub> at ports.



# Ten Point Plan for a Green Industrial Revolution

## Boris “The Liar” Johnson: *“Now is the time to plan our green recovery”*

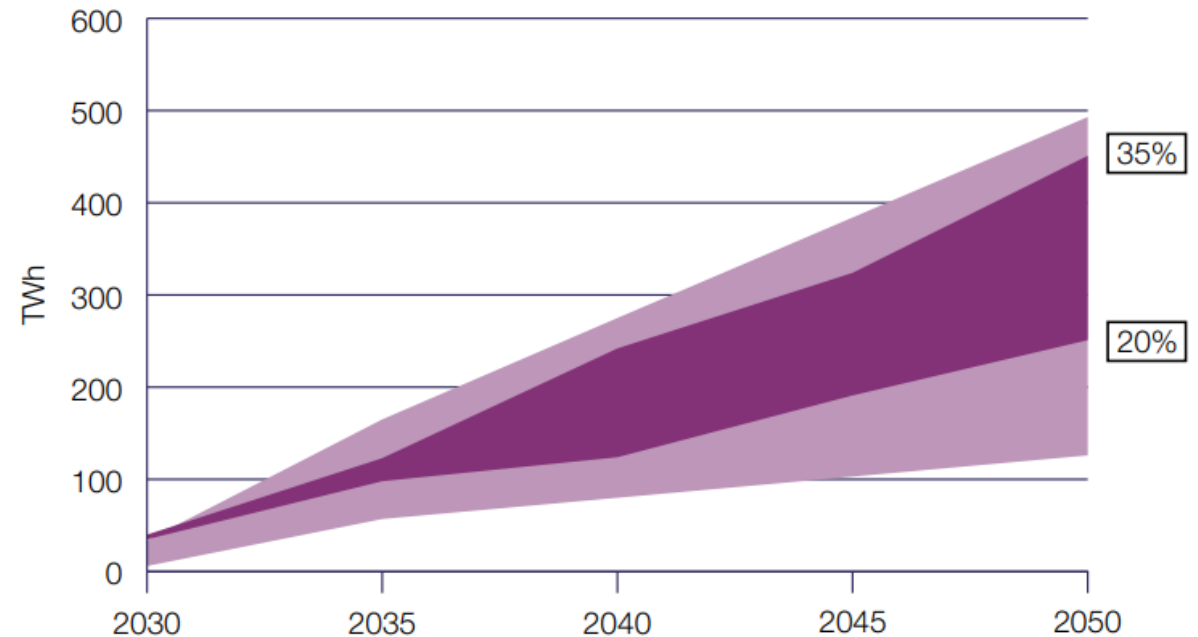
1. Offshore wind: Producing enough offshore wind to power every home, quadrupling how much we produce to 40GW by 2030, supporting up to 60,000 jobs.
2. **Hydrogen: Working with industry aiming to generate 5GW of low carbon hydrogen production capacity by 2030 for industry, transport, power and homes, and aiming to develop the first town heated entirely by hydrogen by the end of the decade.**
3. Nuclear: Advancing nuclear as a clean energy source, across large scale nuclear and developing the next generation of small and advanced reactors, which could support 10,000 jobs.
4. Electric vehicles: Backing our world-leading car manufacturing bases including in the West Midlands, North East and North Wales to accelerate the transition to electric vehicles, and transforming our national infrastructure to better support electric vehicles.
5. Public transport, cycling and walking: Making cycling and walking more attractive ways to travel and investing in zero-emission public transport of the future.
6. **Jet Zero and greener maritime: Supporting difficult-to-decarbonise industries to become greener through research projects for zero-emission planes and ships.**
7. Homes and public buildings: Making our homes, schools and hospitals greener, warmer and more energy efficient, whilst creating 50,000 jobs by 2030, and a target to install 600,000 heat pumps every year by 2028.
8. Carbon capture: Becoming a world-leader in technology to capture and store harmful emissions away from the atmosphere, with a target to remove 10MT of carbon dioxide by 2030, equivalent to all emissions of the industrial Humber today.
9. Nature: Protecting and restoring our natural environment, planting 30,000 hectares of trees every year, whilst creating and retaining thousands of jobs.
10. Innovation and finance: Developing the cutting-edge technologies needed to reach these new energy ambitions and make the City of London the global centre of green finance.



# H<sub>2</sub> - National Strategy

- Currently ~95 MT produced annually
- 10 GW of H<sub>2</sub> by 2030 at least 50% green
- First cluster projects operational by 2030
- This 10 GW only represents ~1/3 of the H<sub>2</sub> needed by 2050
- H<sub>2</sub> will be used in sectors including:
  - Aerospace + Maritime
  - Heavy transportation
  - Industry / hard to decarbonise activities
  - Peak load power supply

Figure 1.2: Hydrogen demand and proportion of final energy consumption in 2050



% = hydrogen as proportion of total energy consumption in 2050

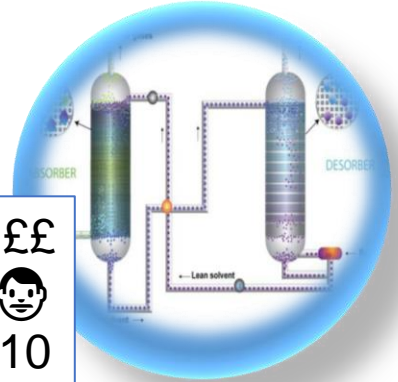
# H<sub>2</sub> Production - Options



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 Age = 🧑  
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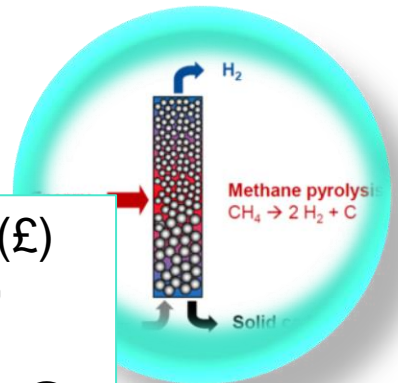
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 Scale = 7  
 CO<sub>2</sub> = 😊



H<sub>2</sub> Cost = ££(£)  
 Age = 🧑  
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# H<sub>2</sub> value chain



Production



Networks & Storage



Industry



Transport



Heat



Power



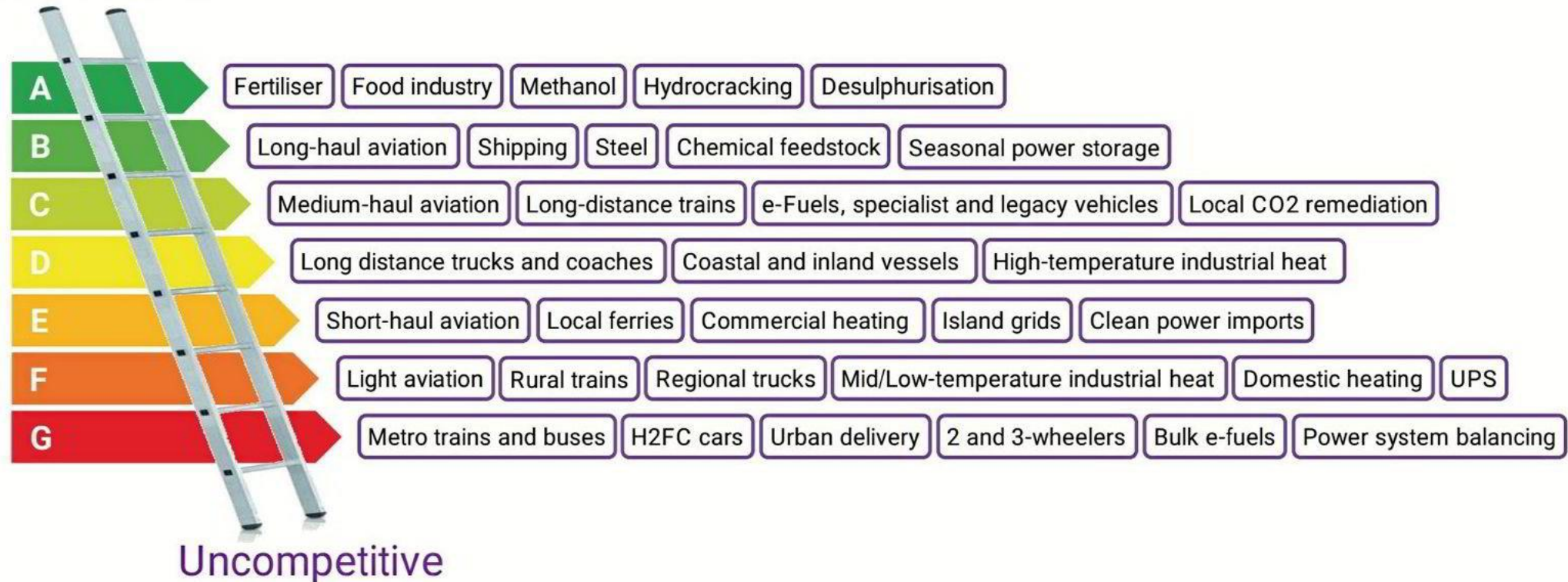
Jobs & Skills

# Hydrogen uses

## Hydrogen: The Ladder

Liebreich Associates

Unavoidable



Source: Liebreich Associates Concept: Adrian Hiel/Energy Cities





## H<sub>2</sub> safety experience

- An excellent safety record for over ~100 years
- Mega-tonne scale production in UK and globally
- Not a new thing, just different applications and users – therefore safety awareness changes

Same as natural gas	Different to natural gas
Colourless	Low ignition energy
Odourless	Wider range of flammability
Tasteless	Near colourless flame
Flammable	Interacts with metals differently
	More buoyant
	Higher diffusivity

No more dangerous than other fuels but needs different considerations

Note: Liquid H<sub>2</sub> is very different though

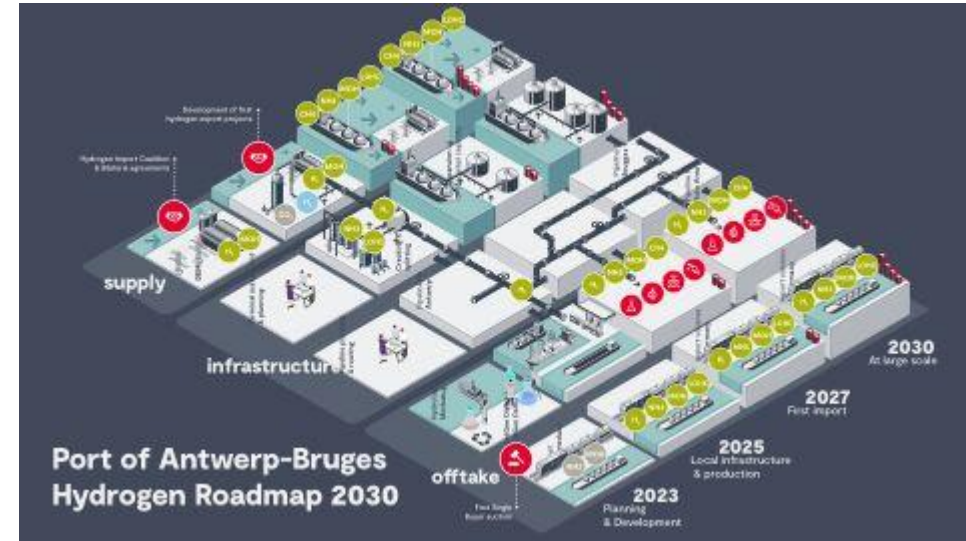


# Examples of H<sub>2</sub> use at ports

- H<sub>2</sub> for port operations
- H<sub>2</sub> for port users (HGV's)
- H<sub>2</sub> as NH<sub>3</sub> for storage and ship refuelling



## Agreement to Develop Clean Energy Hub for Shoreham Port, Sussex



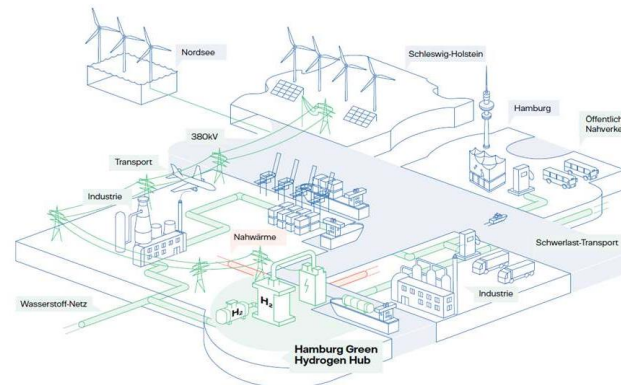
Port of Valencia - Spain

FUEL CELLS AND HYDROGEN JOINT UNDERTAKING

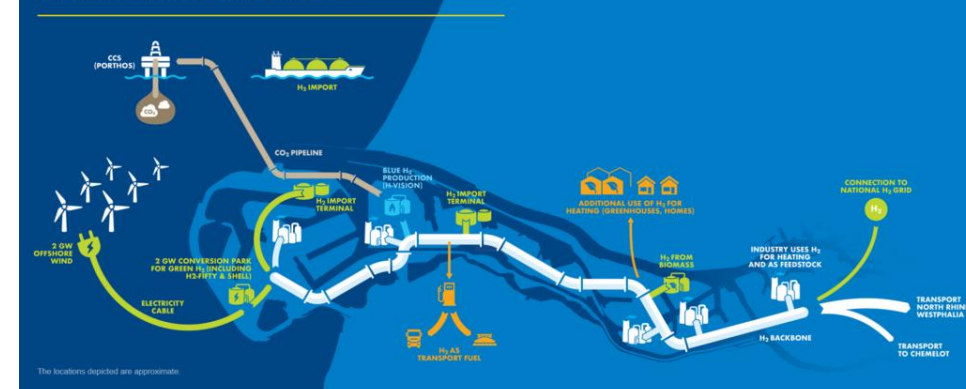
First application of hydrogen technologies in port handling equipment in Europe



### Hamburg Green Hydrogen Hub



### HYDROGEN ECONOMY IN ROTTERDAM STARTS WITH BACKBONE





## Where will it be used in my port?

It depends... very port is different and is set up for different things

Do you currently refuel vessels?

Do you move containers in and out?

24h operations?

How many reach stackers and fork lifts do you have?

How often are your NRMM replaced?

Proximity to population

Bunkering capacity and local area considerations – Hazardous area consent radius

Sell to end users in local area? Industry close by?

Production/conversion/import/export of H<sub>2</sub>?



# What do I need to be aware of?

## Risks and regulations for H<sub>2</sub>

- Hydrogen policies written initially for petrochemicals and ammonia plants based on their experience
- Standards for hydrogen use and storage in industrial settings are already well-established
  - Control of Major Accidents and Hazards (COMAH)
  - Dangerous Substances and Explosive Atmospheres Regulations (DSEAR)
  - International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road (ADR)
- HSE/ISO for codes and standards
- Local Authority for land use and hazardous substances related to storage
- UK VCA for H<sub>2</sub> vehicles
- Oil and gas authority and Ofgem for pipelines and gas networks
- EA oversees emissions of H<sub>2</sub>
- All of this is changing on a regular basis



# Skills and people required

## *“Hydrogen Champion”*

- Knowledge retention
- Extension to safety team with specialist H<sub>2</sub> knowledge
- Awareness of regulations, modelling needs, planning, inspections
- Emergency preparedness

Get advice and input from someone who's done it before and the HSE

**Port of London's MarRI-UK project – Work Package 6**

<https://www.pla.co.uk/Sea-Land-and-Port-Smart-Integration-of-a-Hydrogen-Highway>



## Is this all just hype?

- Can't reach net zero without H<sub>2</sub>
- Maritime sector will see more H<sub>2</sub> than others because
  - Characteristics of port operations
  - Vehicle types, loads and activities
  - Import/export location for H<sub>2</sub> and distribution

*“Up to 42% (22 Mt, or 730 TWh) of total hydrogen demand in the EU in 2050 could be located in port areas”*

<https://www.clean-hydrogen.europa.eu/system/files/2023-04/Study%20on%20hydrogen%20in%20ports%20and%20industrial%20coastal%20areas.pdf>

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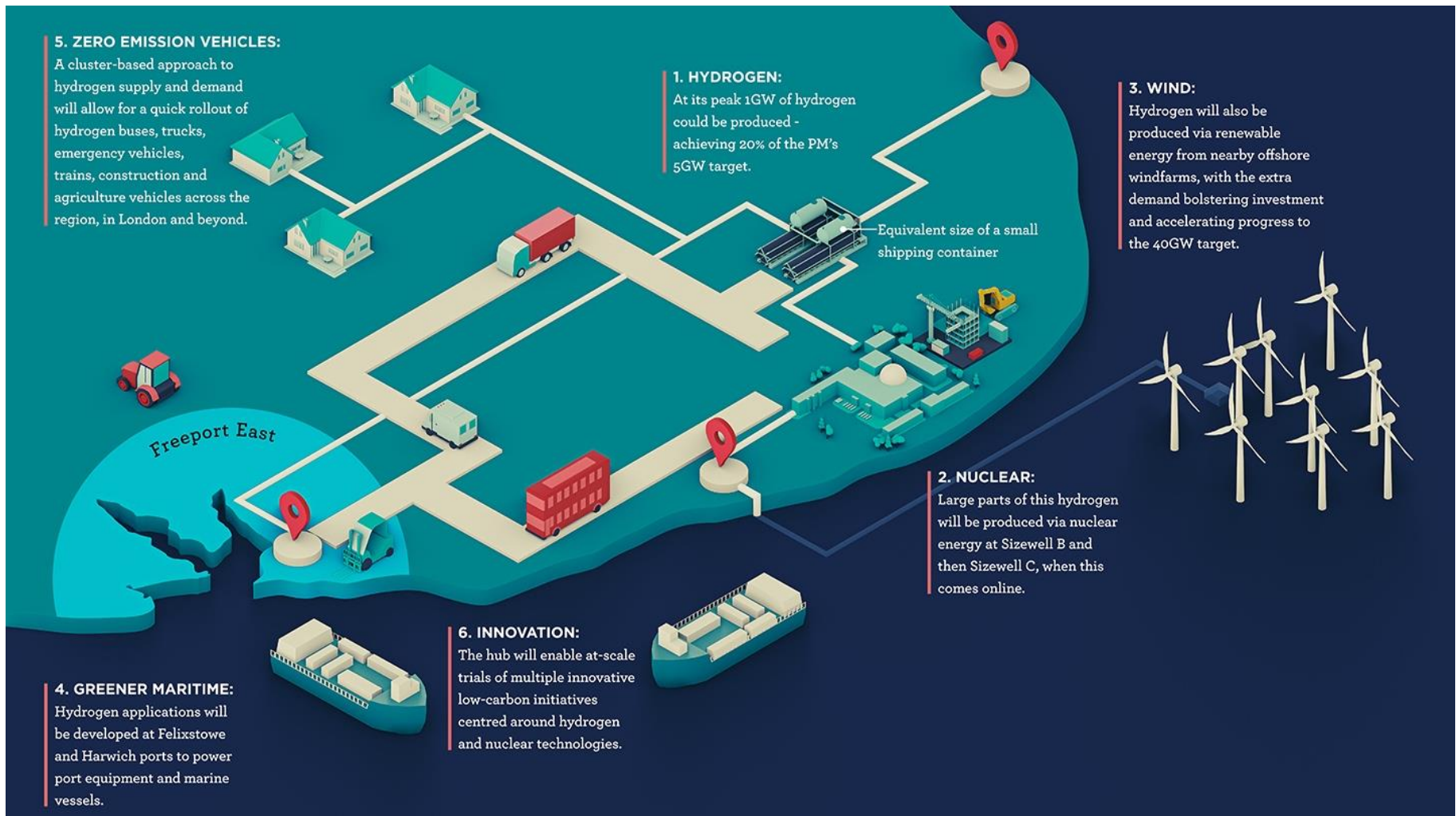


# Clean Maritime Demonstration Competition

## Freeport East Energy Hub Feasibility Study



# Freeport East Hydrogen Hub



Study was broken up into:

1. Background analysis of energy and emissions
2. Zoned assessment
  - Decarbonisation of port operations
  - Regional impact through port users

Aim: Quantify the role and impact that H<sub>2</sub> could have in different scenarios.



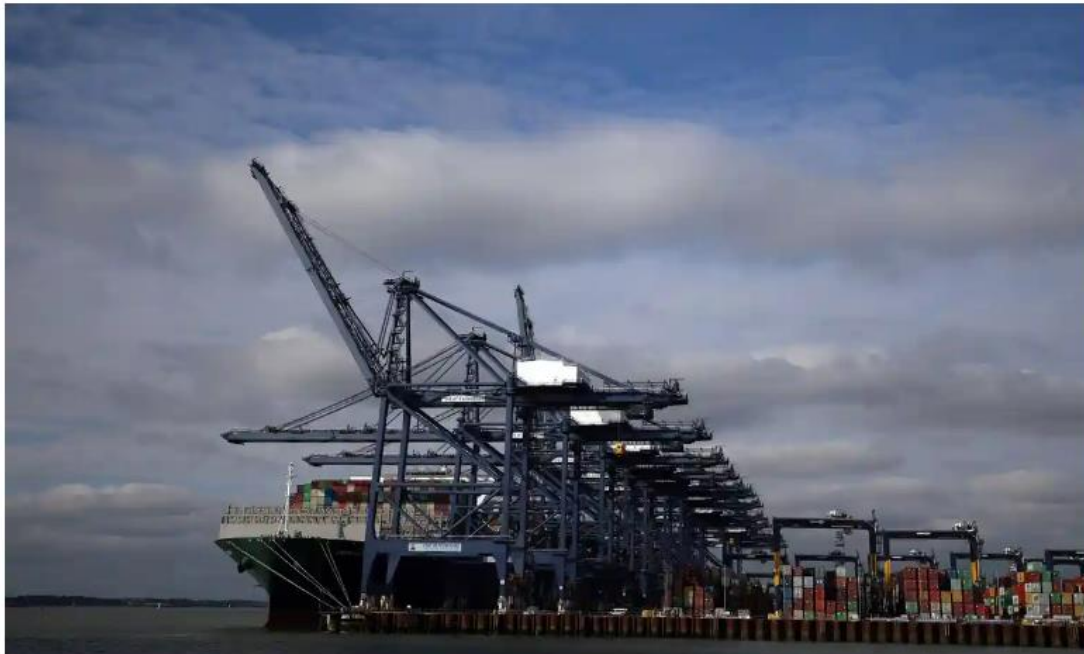
**Hydrogen power**

# ScottishPower to build £150m green hydrogen plant at Port of Felixstowe

**Exclusive: plant at Suffolk port is slated to produce 100 megawatts of power from 2026**

**Alex Lawson** *Energy correspondent*

Mon 8 Aug 2022 14:10 BST



📷 The port of Felixstowe. ScottishPower plans to build the facility on brownfield land within the port. Photograph: Hannah McKay/Reuters

## Clean Maritime Demonstration Competition Freeport East Energy Hub Feasibility Study

### Key Learnings:

- Engage with local users / off takers
- Start planning early
- Go big or go home (H<sub>2</sub> scale and users)
- Team up and share knowledge
- Collaborative decarbonisation



## ...decade of H<sub>2</sub>



1 Dollar



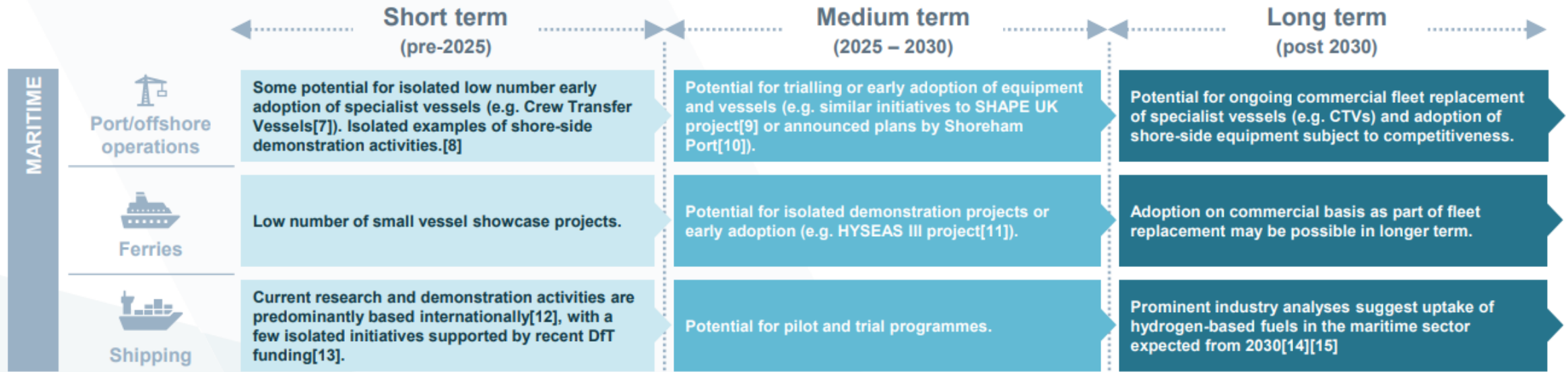
1 Kilogram



1 Decade



### TIME TO MATURITY ASSESSMENT







## Back to the initial question: Is H<sub>2</sub> in ports feasible?

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**but lots to learn and do  
and not much time to do it**



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