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Review of the European Activity

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- FCH JU structure and objectives
- FCH JU projects portfolio
- FCH JU success stories
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“

I want to reform and reorganise Europe's energy policy in a new European Energy Union.

”

Jean-Claude Juncker
(President of the European Commission)

Energy Union (1)

The targets of EU policy on the Energy Union and climate action:

The vision of the Energy Union:

- A sustainable, low-carbon and climate friendly economy that is designed to last
- Strong, innovative and competitive European companies that develop the industrial products and technology needed to deliver energy efficiency and low-carbon technologies inside and outside Europe;
- Citizens at its core, where citizens take ownership of the energy transition, benefit from new technologies to reduce their bills and participate actively in the market, and where vulnerable consumers are protected.

- Reduction of greenhouse gas emissions by 40% compared to 1990;
- Increase in renewable energy to 27% of total production;
- Making 27% energy savings compared to 1990.

Sustainable development



Security of supply

Competitiveness

Energy Union (2)

Energy Union strategy:

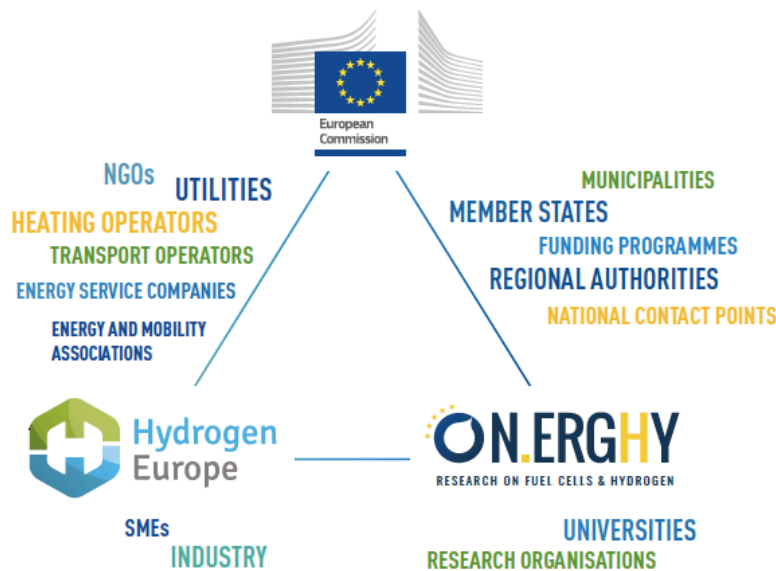
- Energy security, solidarity and trust;
- A fully integrated European energy market;
- Energy efficiency contributing to moderation of demand;
- Decarbonising the economy;
- Research, innovation and competitiveness



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The FCH JU – A strong Public Private Partnership (PPP)



FCH JU - 1: 2008-2014 budget €940 million (FP7)
FCH JU - 2: 2014-2020 budget €1.33 billion (H2020)

Fuel Cells & Hydrogen Joint Undertaking (FCH 2 JU)



To implement an optimal research and innovation programme to bring FCH technologies to the point of market readiness by 2020

FCH JU - 2 objectives

Reduction of production costs of long lifetime FC systems to be used in transport applications

Increase of the electrical efficiency and durability of low cost FCs used for power production

Transport

Industrial applications

Residential CHP

Feed to electricity grid

Reduce the use of critical raw materials

Existing natural gas, electricity and transport infrastructures

By-product from Chemical Industry

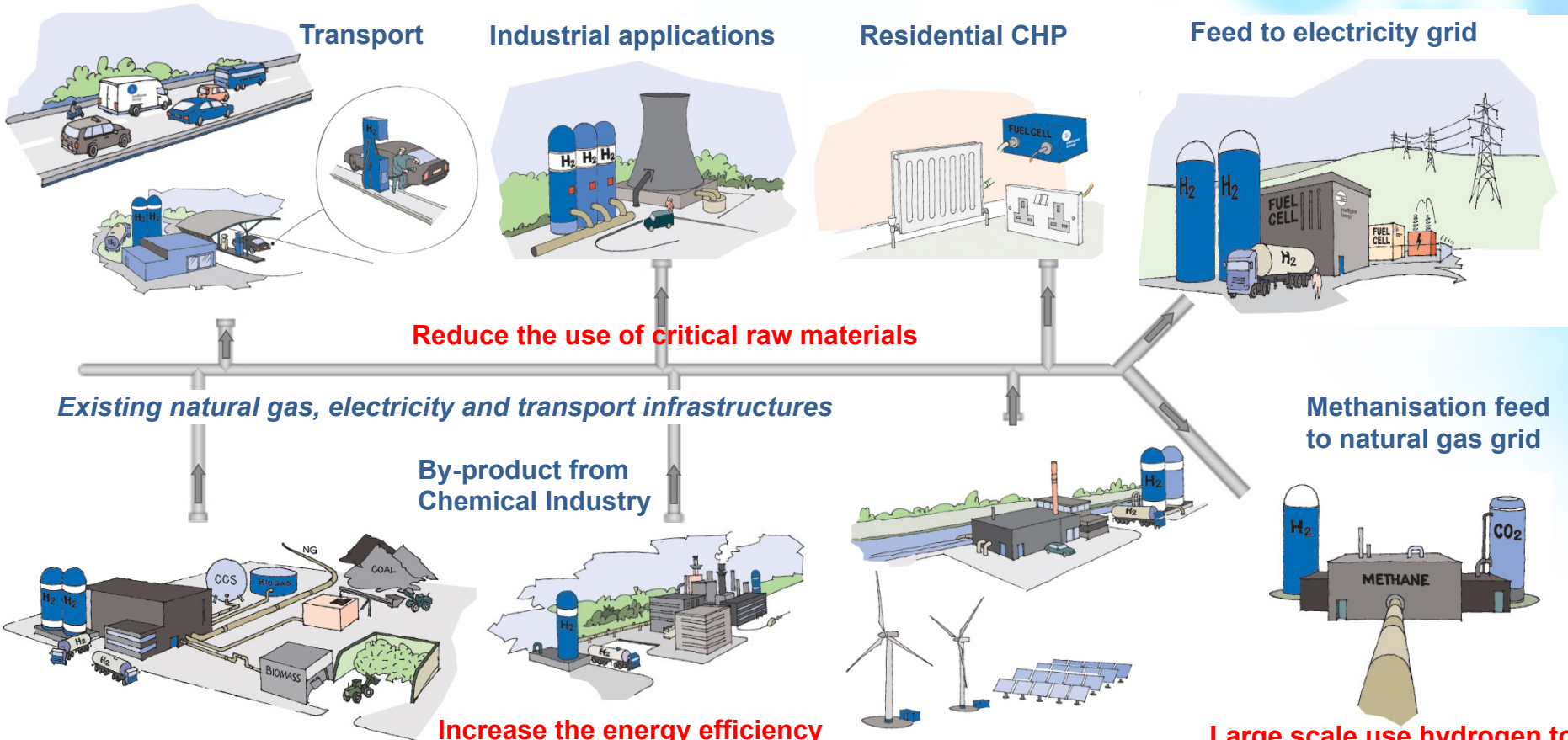
Methanisation feed to natural gas grid

Natural gas, biogas, coal, biomass

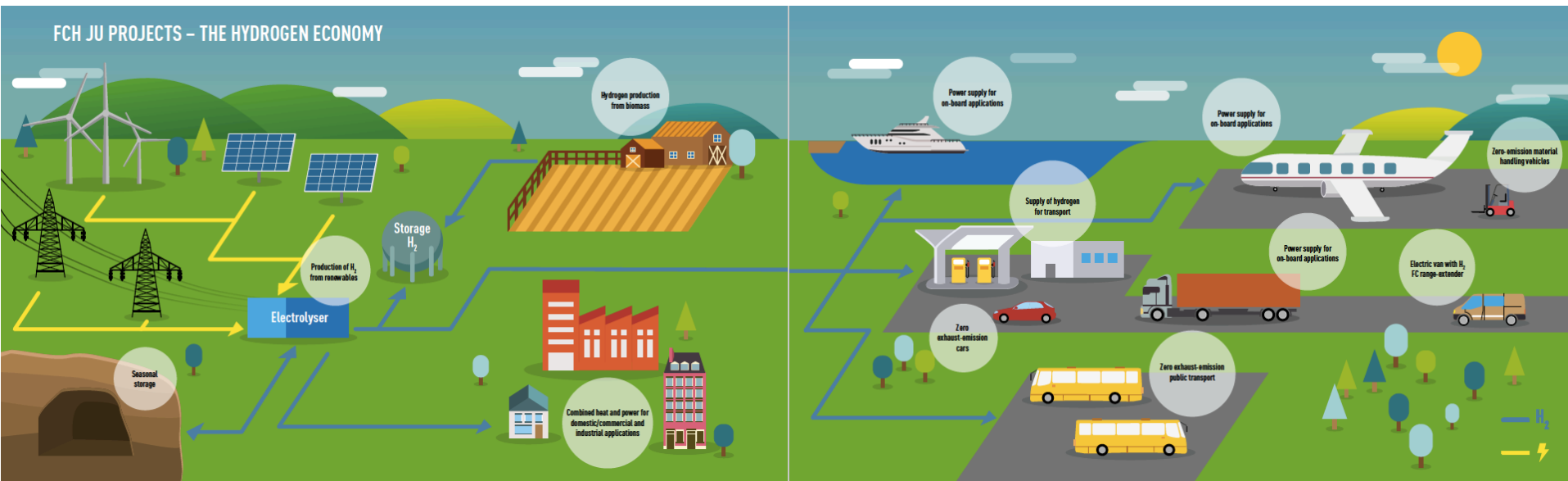
Increase the energy efficiency of low cost production of hydrogen from water electrolysis and renewable sources

Renewable generation, storage and 'buffering'

Large scale use hydrogen to support integration of renewable energy sources into the energy systems



The FCH JU in the Energy Union context



Energy

- Hydrogen production and distribution
- Hydrogen storage for renewable energy integration
- Fuel cells for power and combined heat & power generation

HORIZON 2020

Transport

- Road vehicles
- Non-road vehicles and machinery
- Refuelling infrastructure
- Maritime, rail and aviation applications

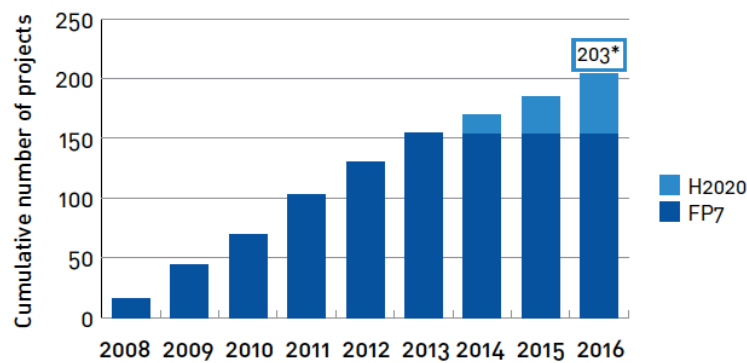
Cross-cutting Issues

(e.g. standards, consumer awareness, manufacturing methods, ...)

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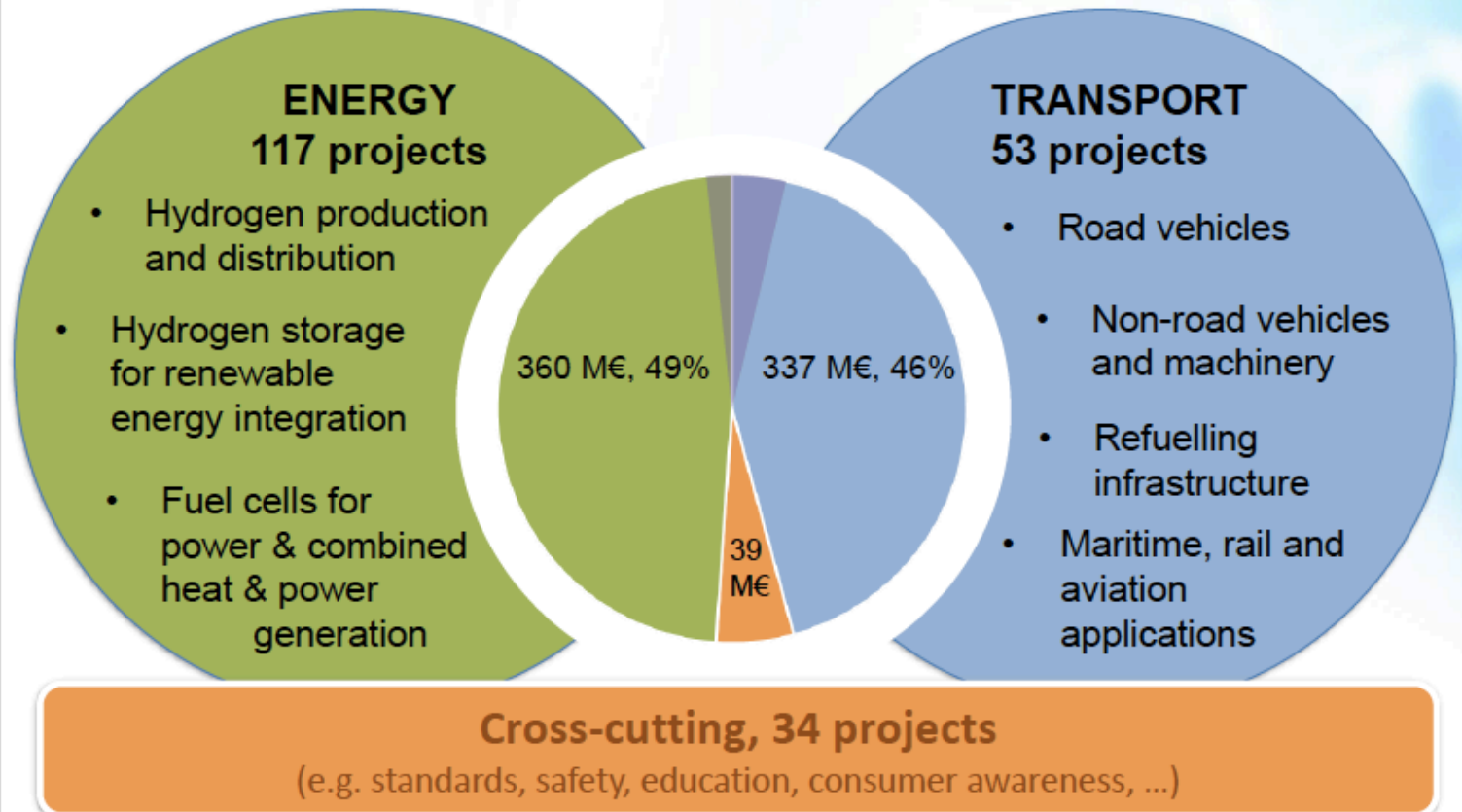
FCH JU 1&2 results



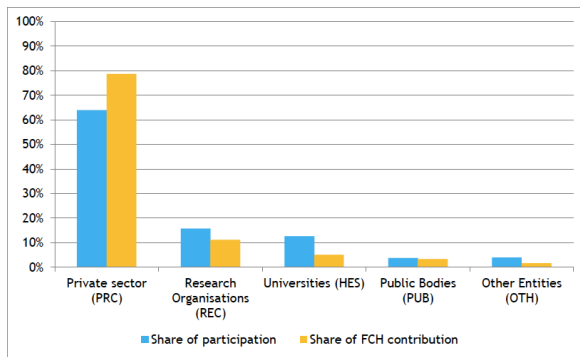
204 projects supported for 737 M€
Similar leverage of private funding: 782 M€

Success rate: 24%

Newcomers: 31%



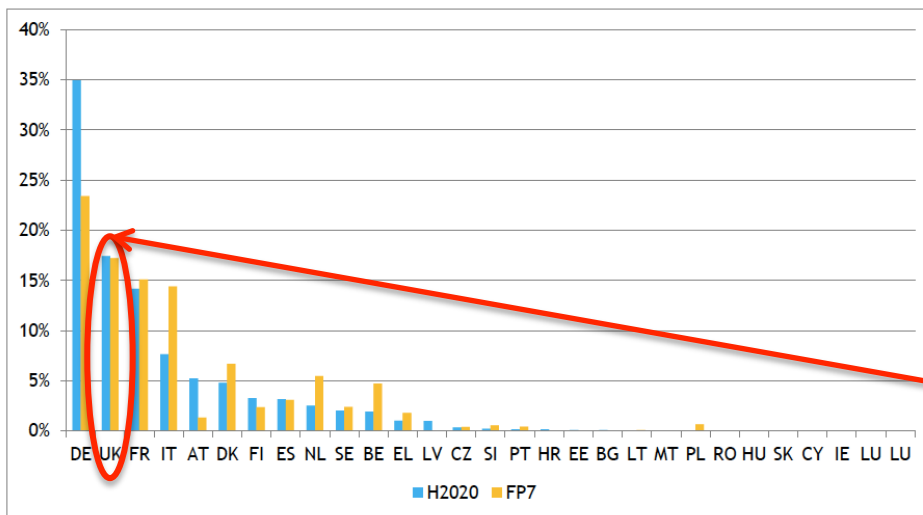
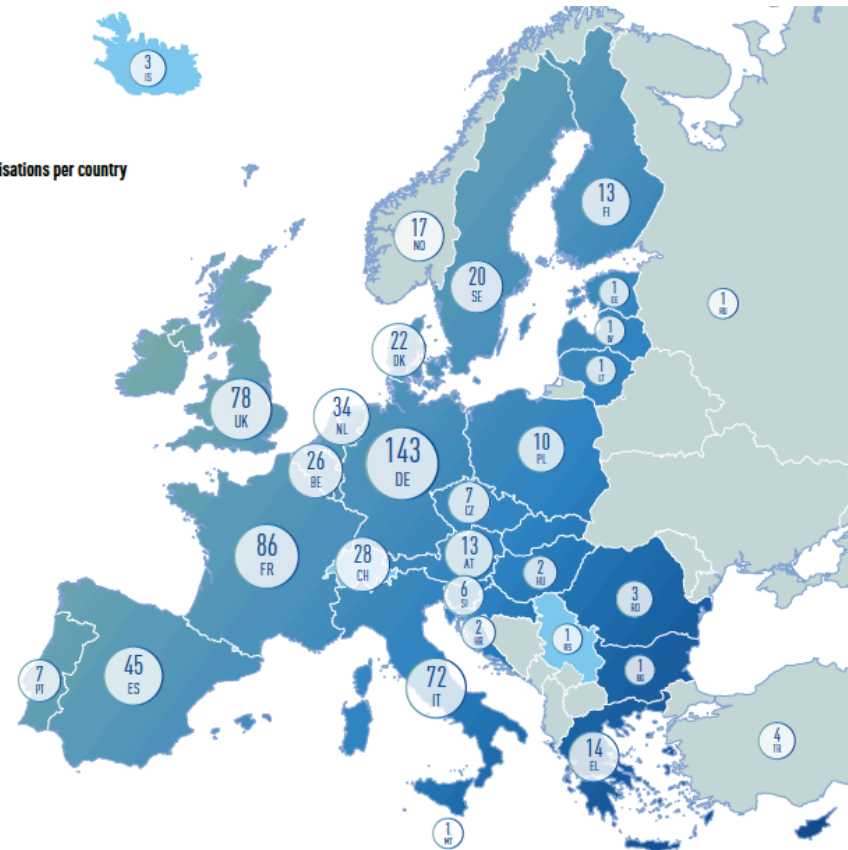
Beneficiary and funding distribution per country



COUNTRY DISTRIBUTION

The figures indicate the number of FCH JU participating organisations per country

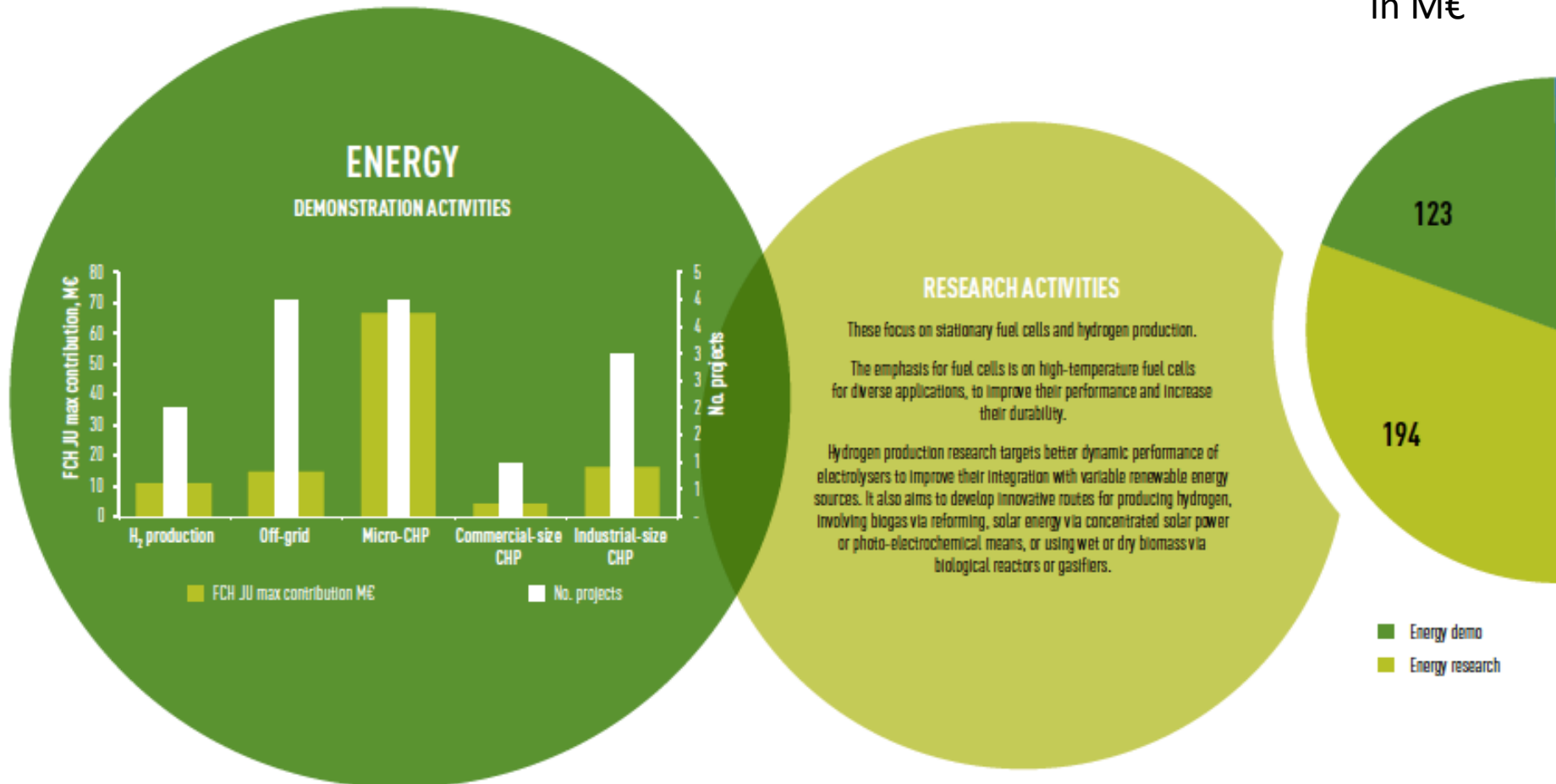
NON EUROPE	
CANADA	3
CHINA	2
ISRAEL	2
REPUBLIC OF KOREA	1
UNITED STATES	2



UK funding 2008-2015: €98 million

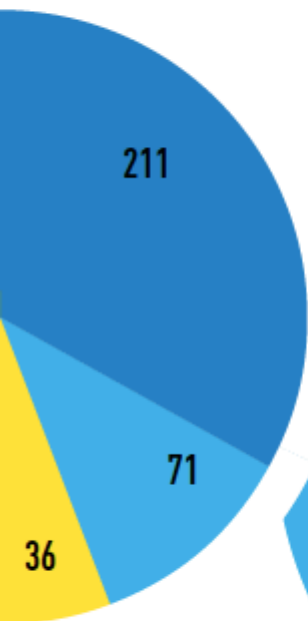
Energy projects

HOW IS THE BUDGET DISTRIBUTED AMONG THE DIFFERENT PILLARS?



Transport projects

in M€



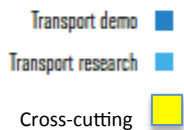
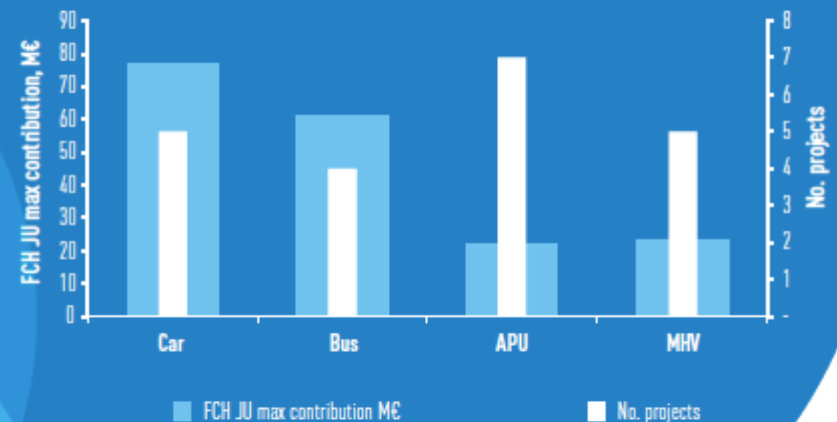
RESEARCH ACTIVITIES

These aim to reduce the production cost of fuel cell systems to be used in transport applications, while increasing their lifetime to levels competitive with conventional technologies.

In particular, projects on membrane electrode assembly (MEA) aim to reduce the use of platinum and other critical raw materials; projects on bipolar plate (BPP) investigate advanced coatings; projects on stacks and on balance of plant (BoP) aim to improve manufacturing techniques.

Modelling of cells, improvements in compression technologies at hydrogen refuelling stations (HRS) and the manufacture of low-cost H₂ on-board tanks complete the span of the FCH JU research portfolio.

TRANSPORT DEMONSTRATION ACTIVITIES



Cross-cutting projects

CROSS-CUTTING PROJECTS

The FCH JU programme also covers a wide range of cross-cutting activities that support both energy and transport developments.

Backing deployment activities and technical developments alone is not enough to ensure smooth entry into the market. It is crucial to remove regulatory barriers and encourage the public to be aware of and have trust in emerging technologies.

Therefore an important part of the FCH JU portfolio supports projects dealing with topics that help technical developments become part of everyday life. These include safety innovations and tests, education and public awareness, and pre-normative research – research whose results are used to develop regulations and standards.

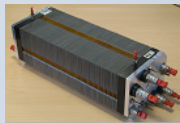
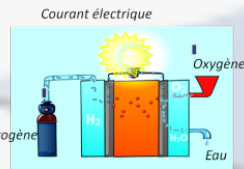
DEMONSTRATION ACTIVITIES



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Fuel Cells scope of applications



Marine & aerospace



Forklifts



Hybrid FC Buses



FCEV



FC in commercial planes



FCEV RE



Backup power



Large scale stationary applications



Energy storage



CHP Systems



Portable applications



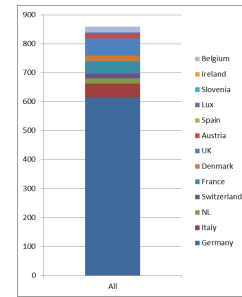
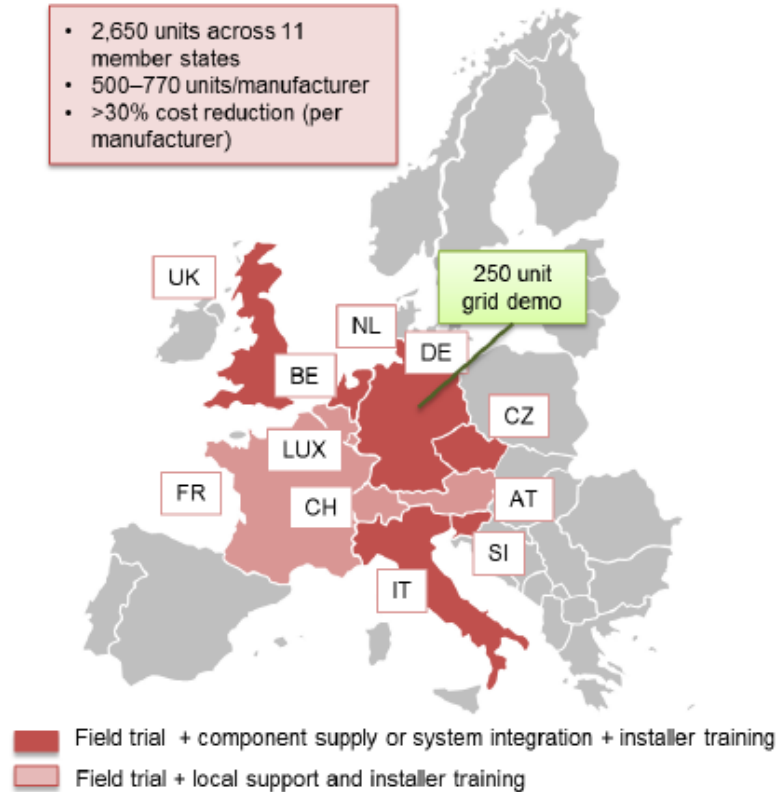
Residential Market Segment (< 5 kW)

PACE: Pathway to A Competitive European FC mCHP market

m-CHP: from National to EU initiative(s)
initial volume uptake, market readiness



More than 500 units installed in 10 countries of Europe, reliabilities and OPEX confirmed, very good customer satisfaction (over 70% positive feedback),



SOFT-PACT



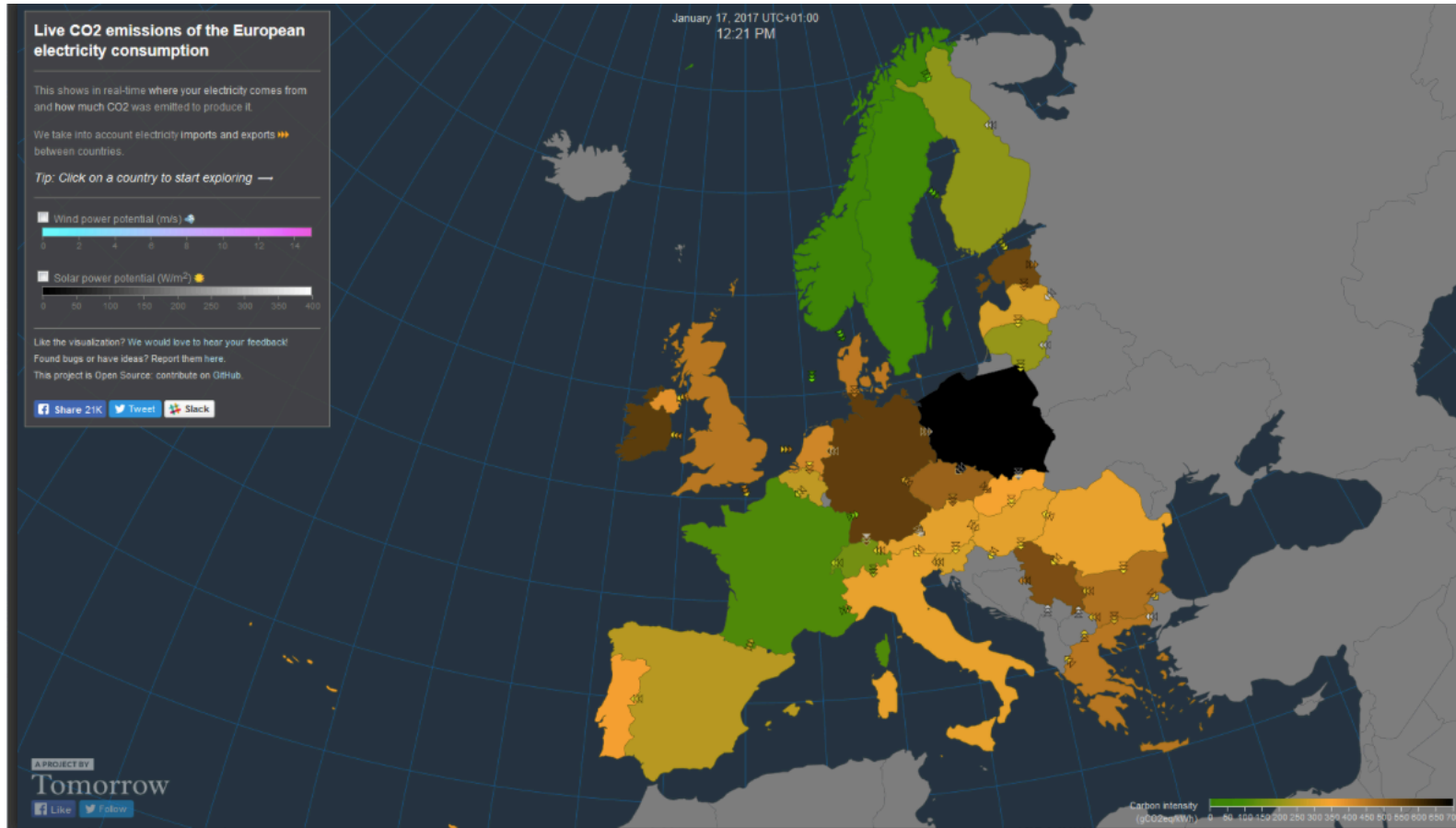
Micro-CHP:
3600 (750)

65 fuel cell systems, electrical efficiency higher than 42 % over lifetime (total efficiency higher than 78%), 25% cost reduction



Importance of the energy mix composition

<https://www.electricitymap.org/?wind=false&solar=false&page=map>



To achieve a reduction of GHG emissions by 40% with FCs in distributed generation, the energy mix must emit more than 255 gCO₂/kWh.

The higher the percentage of renewable energy in the energy mix, the lower the GHG emissions and the less interesting the distributed energy generation.

Hydrogen enables us to get the most out of our Wind and Solar energy

Achievements

On-site installation of hydrogen equipment after receiving exploitation permit, certification and CE conformity:

- Solar pannels (800 kWp) and wind turbines (1500kWp)
- 2 Electrolysers (one alkaline and one PEM): 130 kg H₂/day
- 2 Compressors
- Hydrogen storage capacity 100 kg at 45 Mpa
- Hydrogen dispenser for a fleet of 200 fuel cell forklifts and FC cars
- 100 kWe Fuel Cell connected to the grid



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hvsEiN-XFsg>

Li-ion energy storage

Hydrogen fuel

Hydrogen fuel

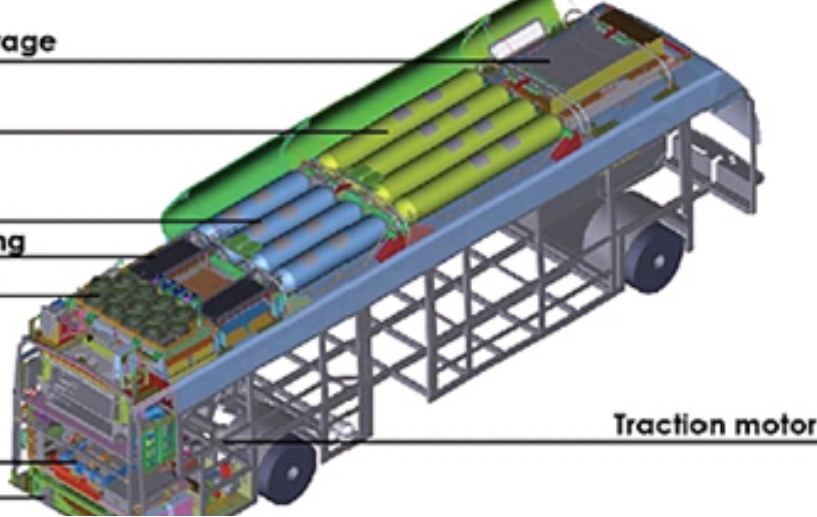
Electronics cooling

Fuel cell cooling

Power and
propulsion
electronics

Fuel cell

Traction motor



Fuel Cell Bus



Situation and Outlook in Europe: 91 buses in operation or about to start

Ongoing EU-funded fuel cell bus projects

CHIC

- ✓ Bolzano, IT – 5 FC buses (2013)
- ✓ Aargau, CH – 5 FC buses (2011)
- ✓ London, UK – 8 FC buses (2011)
- ✓ Milan, IT – 3 FC buses (2013)
- ✓ Oslo, NO – 5 FC buses (2013)
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- ✓ Cologne, DE* – 4 FC buses (2011/14)
- ✓ Hamburg, DE* – 6 FC buses (2011/2015)


High V.LO-City

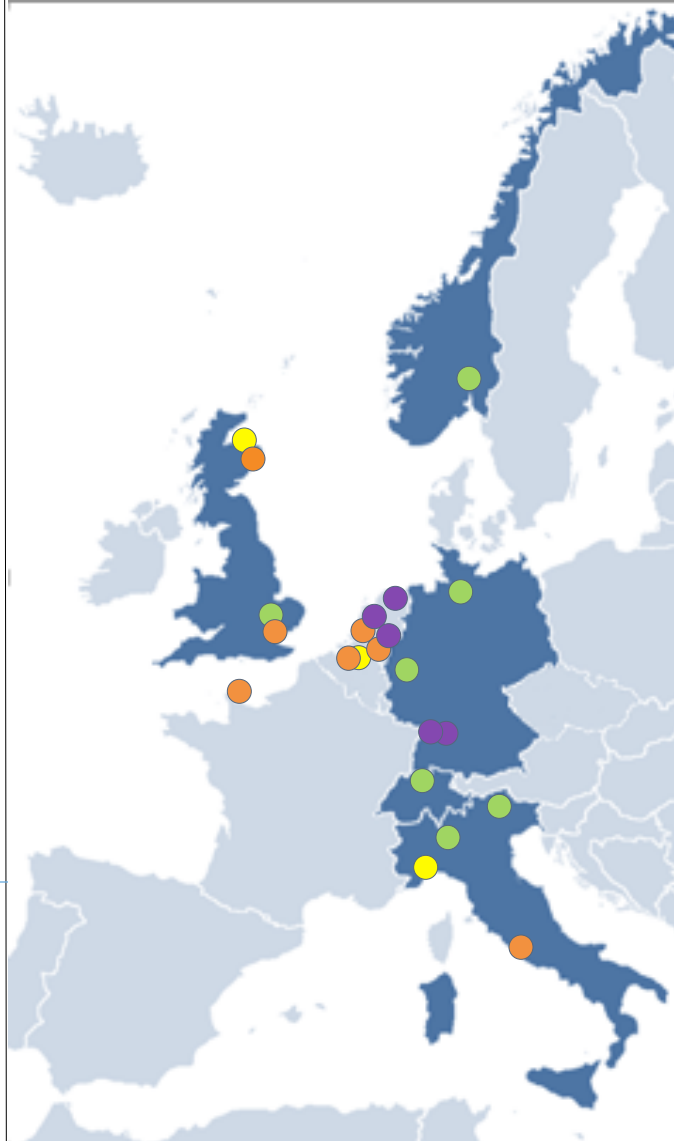
- ✓ Liguria, IT – 5 FC buses (2015)
- ✓ Antwerp, BE – 5 FC buses (2015)
- ✓ Aberdeen, UK – 4 FC buses (2015)

HyTransit

- ✓ Aberdeen, UK – 6 FC buses (2015)

Legend

-  CHIC countries
- ✓ In operation
- ✓ Planned operation
- (2015) Operation start/planned start
- * Co-financed by regional/national funding sources



Ongoing EU-funded fuel cell bus project

3Emotion

- ✓ Cherbourg, FR – 5 FC buses (2016/17)
- ✓ Rotterdam, NL – 4 FC buses (2016/17)
- ✓ South Holland, NL – 2 FC buses (2016/17)
- ✓ London, UK – 2 FC buses (2016/17)
- ✓ Flanders, BE – 3 FC buses (2016/17)
- ✓ Rome, IT – 5 FC buses (2016/17)

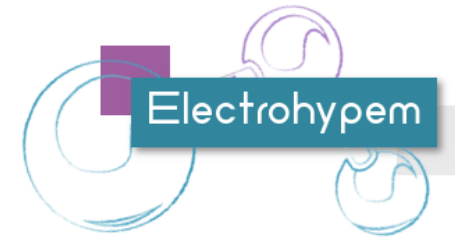
Current national/regional-funded fuel cell bus projects

- ✓ Karlsruhe, DE * – 2 FC buses (2013)
- ✓ Stuttgart, DE * – 4 FC buses (2014)
- ✓ Arnhem, NL* – 3 FC buses (2016/17)
- ✓ Groningen, NL* – 2 FC buses (2016/17)
- ✓ Brabant, NL* – 2 FC buses (2016/17)



Refuelling stations:
81 (20)

PEM Water electrolysis for Hydrogen as a clean, local fuel for transport



Achievements

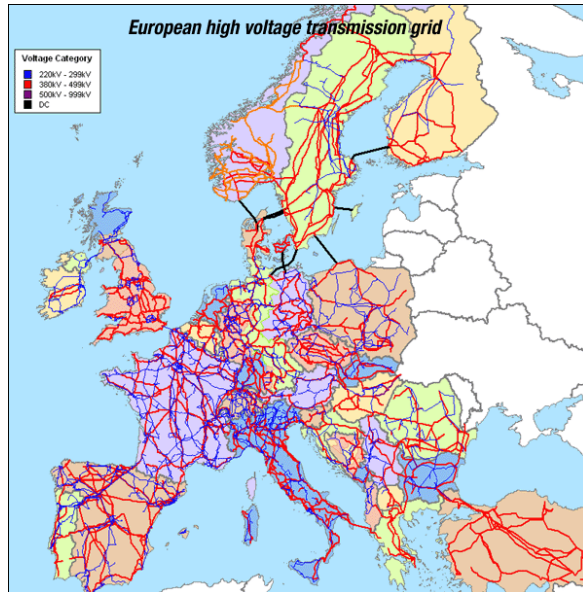
- 1 MW water electrolyzers powered by **wind or solar energy sources**, ensuring security of low carbon energy supply
- New Proton Exchange Membrane Electrolysers (PEMFC) with high efficiency and operability (10-100% of full range and stable when off)
- High Hydrogen purity complying with SAE J2601 (2014) : 99,999% at 70 MPa
- Compact and easily scalable
- Electrolyser capital cost below 3.7 M€/ (ton H₂/day)
- [PRAEDRUS VIDEO v1-Mobile.mp4](#)
- Stable and compact PEM water electrolyser operating at high temperature (up to 140°C) with low catalyst loading (PGM <0.5 mg/cm² MEA) and new high efficient **Aquivion®** membrane
- Electricity consumption 45 KWh/kg H₂ (vs 2017 target of 52-55 KWh/kg H₂) for electrolysis
- Increased hydrogen output per stack by 50%
- Rapid response (< 2 s from min to max power)
- Long term stability (degradation lower than 5 μV/hr/cell)
- **European technology:** electrolysis system commercialised by an European SME, stack components (membrane, catalyst) commercialised by European Industry and SME



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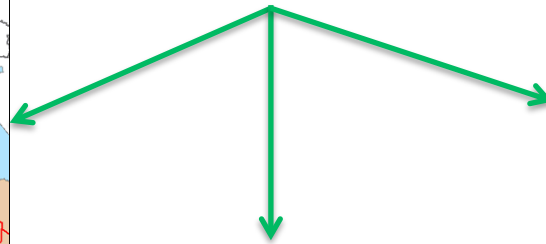
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Connecting the European grids

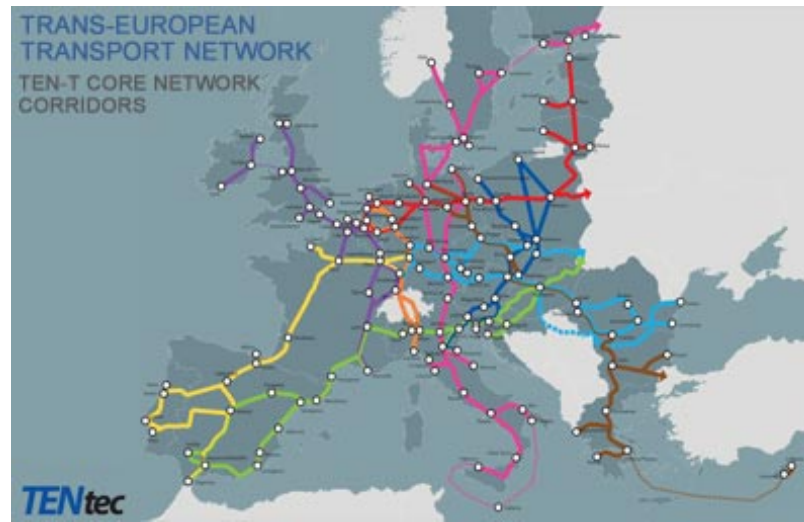


Electricity grid

The H₂ energy vector



Natural gas grid



V. WHAT NEXT FOR THE FCH JU?

TO DEVELOP BY 2020:

- Very efficient fuel cell systems;
- Successful demonstration of fuel cell applications for homes and businesses across many countries;
- Cleaner transport solutions.

2020

BY 2030, THROUGH THE JU'S SUPPORT:

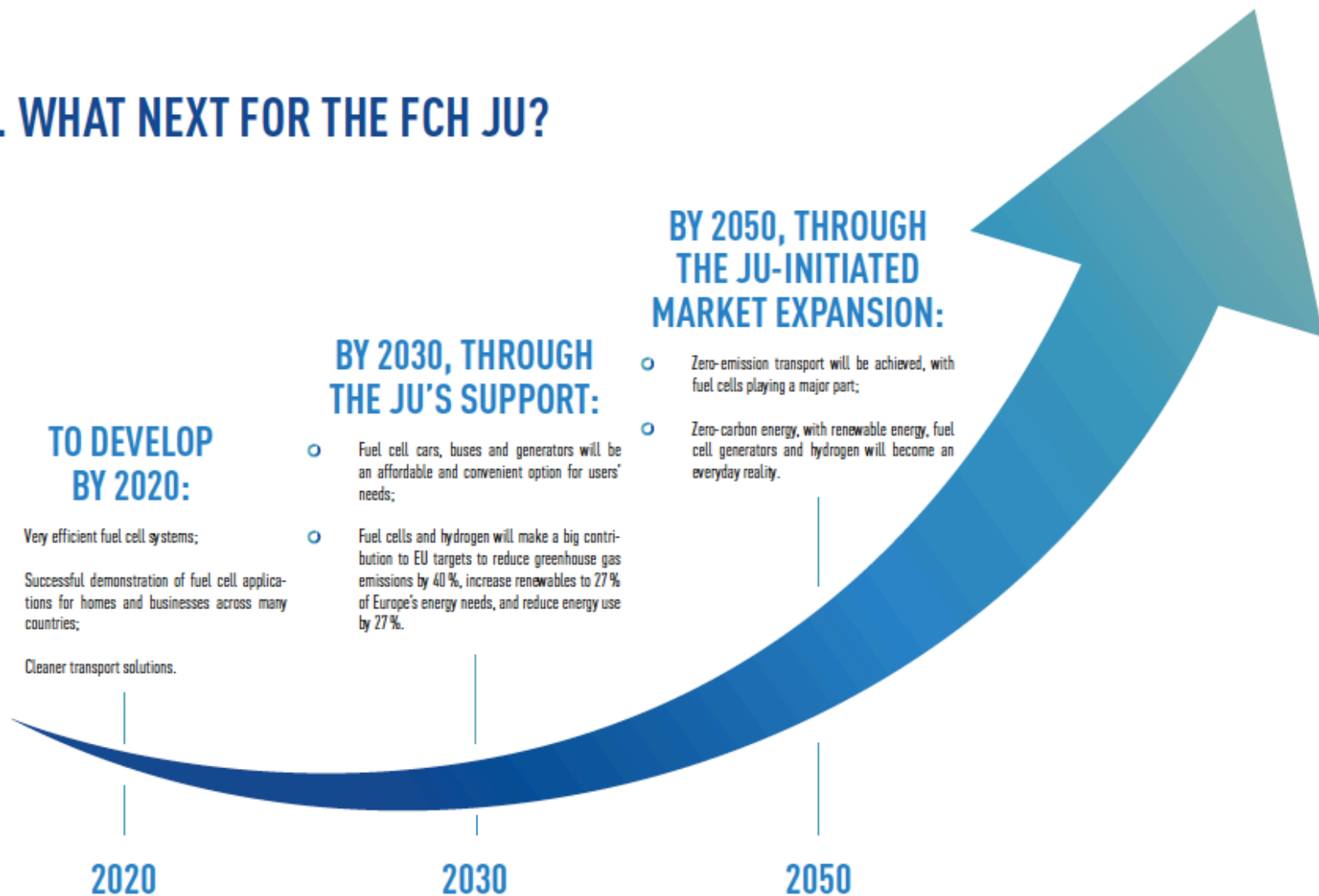
- Fuel cell cars, buses and generators will be an affordable and convenient option for users' needs;
- Fuel cells and hydrogen will make a big contribution to EU targets to reduce greenhouse gas emissions by 40 %, increase renewables to 27 % of Europe's energy needs, and reduce energy use by 27 %.

2030

BY 2050, THROUGH THE JU-INITIATED MARKET EXPANSION:

- Zero-emission transport will be achieved, with fuel cells playing a major part;
- Zero-carbon energy, with renewable energy, fuel cell generators and hydrogen will become an everyday reality.

2050



For more information

Thank you for your attention !

Further info :

- FCH JU : <http://www.fch.europa.eu/>
- HYDROGEN EUROPE : www.hydrogeneurope.eu
- N.ERGHY : <http://www.nerghy.eu>

