



# "Austria in EU Hydrogen market" workshop

Opening remarks - "6x/4x/2x" - Erik Rakhou, BCG and co-author "Touching Hydrogen Future"

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# Overview presentation

Introduction

6x Global promises

4x European challenges

EU progress on targets

EU policy environment

So what for a Hydrogen path for roll-out - 2 suggestions



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# 6 x Promises of global Hydrogen market

- **Supply potential** - 3 digit GW+ projects announced worldwide
- **Governmental support** rising - IRA, Fitfor55 targets, EU Hydrogen bank
- **Green premia** becoming available
- **Commercial funding** getting ready
- **Technologies** supporting the Hydrogen market adoption advancing
- **First Giga-projects** progressing

# 4 x European challenges

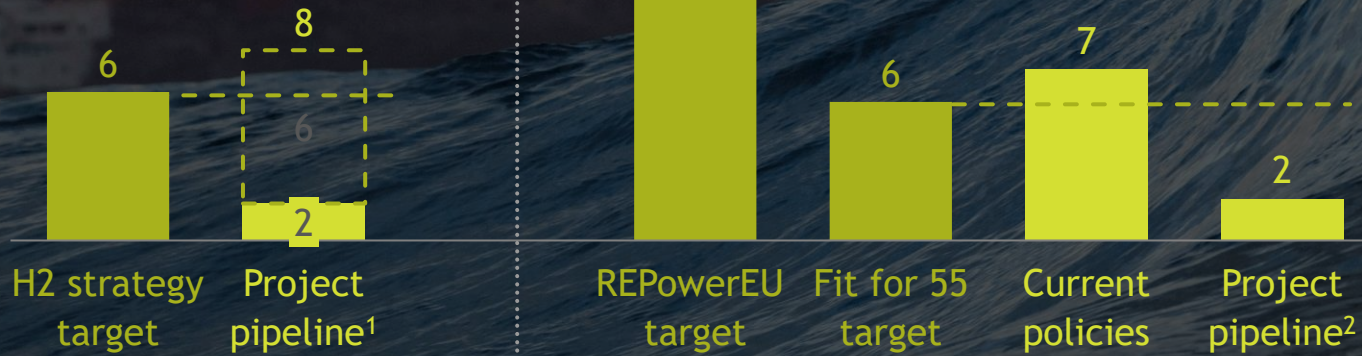
- Competitive **access to Renewable power** - and for blue Hydrogen natural gas access - an issue
- Material **infrastructure development** yet to start
- **Investability** yet to show in Europe at "RePower EU"-needed scale, with few exceptions
- **EU rules** to be finalized



# Key EU H<sub>2</sub> goals are *WIP*

2024 electrolyser target  
GW

2030 H<sub>2</sub> demand target  
Mt H<sub>2</sub>-equivalents



**The EU H<sub>2</sub> regulatory environment is taking shape.** Key regulations like quotas for H<sub>2</sub> use, criteria for green H<sub>2</sub> and CBAM have been agreed on.

**Under this policy trajectory, key targets will be missed.** Current developments are far from 2020 H<sub>2</sub> strategy or REPowerEU targets. Climate targets can still be reached as policies are on track for Fit for 55 targets.

**Companies need to adapt their strategies accordingly.** H<sub>2</sub> suppliers should assume realistic demand and build projects with sufficient regulatory certainty. Other projects may be more dependent on pending policies like the H<sub>2</sub> bank or specifics of H<sub>2</sub> use quotas - here companies need to watch closely.



# The EU H<sub>2</sub> regulatory environment is taking shape

## EU production

### Production subsidies at national level

Netherlands SDE++; Germany H2Global (first delivery of ~0.1Mt H<sub>2</sub>-derivatives imports<sup>1</sup> in 2024)

### EU H<sub>2</sub> bank - 1<sup>st</sup> tender Q423

Max. 3 projects, delivering 0,2% to 0,4% of RePower EU imp. Target\*

### Carbon price

CBAM creates incentive for low-C NH<sub>3</sub> imports

### "Green" criteria

Delegated acts pursuant to RED II define what is needed for projects to sell into EU use quota market (2030: ~5 Mt H<sub>2</sub>-eq)

### Cross value chain funding

Important Projects of Common European Interest (up to €10.6bn approved for IPCEI Hy2Tech and Hy2Use in 2022, more expected in 2023); Innovation Fund; Germany "Klimaschutzverträge"

## Imports

## Midstream

### H<sub>2</sub> infra regulation

Enables repurposing of up to 32,000 km gas grid\*\*

### Refuelling infra

AFIR: every 200km HRS resulting in >600 HRS and fueling up to ~50k trucks<sup>2</sup> by 2031

## Demand

### H<sub>2</sub> use quotas


RED III: 42% green H<sub>2</sub> in industry 2030 (~4 Mt H<sub>2</sub>)  
FuelEU Maritime: 1% e-fuels 2031 (~0.5 Mt H<sub>2</sub>)  
REFuelEU aviation: 1.2% e-SAF 2030 (~0.5 Mt H<sub>2</sub>)

### Carbon price

ETS 2030: ~130 € expect.  
- no free allow. by 2034

 Regulation in place or agreed on

 Some national reg.; EU in the making

 Regulation lacking

1. First auction includes imports for e-ammonia, e-methanol and e-SAF 2. Assuming regional truck distribution with a H<sub>2</sub> fuel consumption of 0.06kg/km and annual mileage of 80,000km | Source: European Commission; BCG H<sub>2</sub> demand model; Transport & Environment; BCG analysis  
\*Assuming 2 to 4 EUR/kg subsidy, 800 mln EUR budget, 10 years tenor. \*\*EHB is planned to provide 53k kilometers, of which 60% repurposed at up to 143 bn EUR cost - source: EHB 2023 website.



# What is a good Hydrogen path for roll-out - 2x suggestions "tbd"

1

Art of pacing & incentivizing local **demand switch** - e.g. steel, refining

2

Anticipate future demand by 5-10 years, and **build/repurpose supporting infrastructure** early, in collaboration with neighbours





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