

**“We’re as Strong as the
Weakest Link: Building
Scale through Value Chain
Collaboration”**

Immediate Roadblocks for the
Growing Industry
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SCALING GREEN —
HYDROGEN CRC

Immediate Roadblocks

- Existing ammonia production

- 150 MT of ammonia already produced worldwide that needs to be decarbonised, before considering ammonia for energy

- Competition for green electrons

- electricity system struggling with its own transition without demand from further electrification (eg. EVs) and electricity derived fuels and chemicals

- Competition for energy carriers

- batteries and cables, biofuels, ammonia, hydrogen, methanol, MCH, etc

- Lack of coordination, certainty and coordination across the value chain

- suppliers, partners, enablers, customers

Rationale for Scaling Green Hydrogen CRC

- Certain sectors are unsuitable for mass electrification, requiring green hydrogen and derivatives as chemical carriers of green electrons:
 - Chemicals
 - Long-distance heavy transport
 - Steel manufacturing
 - Energy exports
- Limited capacity of existing electricity and water systems to support growth
- Increased demand for renewable electricity for green hydrogen production
- Limited existing sovereign manufacturing and service capability
- No clear pathway for scaling from 0+ TW to 1 TW of installed electrolyser capacity

Scope of Scaling Green Hydrogen CRC

- 5 key national research themes in green hydrogen production and utilisation
- Intersecting with regional green hydrogen hubs (e.g. Gladstone, Newcastle, Geelong, Pilbara, Adelaide and Upper Spencer Gulf), creating living labs for engagement and dissemination with hydrogen clusters
- Developing a skilled and ready workforce to support the green hydrogen sector's scale-up
- Building Australia's hydrogen-related manufacturing and services supply chain, including a global HETS sector
- Facilitating growth in capability and capacity of Australia's SMEs and emerging entrepreneurs.
- Complementing and collaborating with existing CRCs:
 - Future Fuels CRC
 - Future Energy Exports CRC
 - RACE for 2030 CRC
 - iMOVE CRC
 - Future Battery Industries CRC
 - Blue Economy CRC
 - Heavy Industry Low-carbon Transition (HILT) CRC
 - Sovereign Manufacturing for Automated Composites (SoMAC) CRC



CRC Research Themes

1. Production & Storage



2. Water



3. Chemicals



4. Mobility



5. Enabling



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1. Production & Storage

Focus on integration of green hydrogen with the electricity sector, covering scalable energy technologies, electrolysis, models for distributed vs centralised production, and storage options.

Example research initiatives:

- Renewable energy-based production technologies
- Distributed vs centralised models
- Shared infrastructure
- Electrolyser CAPEX and OPEX reductions
- Balance of plant development
- Business case for local manufacturing
- Storage technologies and options
- Emerging production technologies



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2. Water

Focus on decoupling fresh water resources from hydrogen production through electrolysis via desalination, recycled water networks, waste water, sea water, air capture or other methods.

Example research initiatives:

- Technologies for alternative water sourcing
- Shared infrastructure and models
- Beneficial co-products and co-location
- Integrated planning



3. Chemicals

Focus on new and efficient processes for hydrogen derived commodity chemicals and fuels.

Example research initiatives:

- Green hydrogen derived or refined fuels (such as sustainable aviation fuel)
- Green hydrogen derived chemicals (such as methanol)
- Green ammonia and fertilisers
- Technologies and models for distributed production



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4. Mobility

Focus on achieving zero emission shipping, aviation, rail, buses and trucks in Australia and internationally.

Example research initiatives:

- Refuelling systems for shipping, aviation, rail, buses and trucks
- Multi-user and shared infrastructure
- Fuel cell technologies



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5. Enabling

Focus on best practice processes and systems to support the growing sector and deliver shared value.

Example research initiatives:

- Safety, regulations, and standards
- Sustainable financial and techno-economic models
- Beyond social licence - mutually valuable partnerships with First Nations and other communities
- A talented and skilled workforce
- A sovereign and innovative supply chain
- Addressing United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals



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