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Empowering green ammonia and energy solutions



Ammonia – The oil of the future



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- Green
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NH3 in the news:

Germany's Olaf Scholz heads to Canada for energy talks

During the visit, the chancellor is set to sign a long-term deal to receive green hydrogen from Canada. German carmakers are keen to source minerals for electric vehicle batteries from the North American country.



Hydrogen Bank announcement



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In order to invest EUR 3 billion in the development of a potential market for hydrogen, the European Commission intends to establish a new European Hydrogen Bank.

BP evaluates hydrogen shipping options

Not all customers want fuel in the form of ammonia, says CEO Bernard Looney

BP is evaluating different transport options for its nascent hydrogen supply business and will provide updates on its plans in February next year. The firm is investing in green hydrogen supply projects and has acquired a 40.5pc equity stake in, and become operator of, the Asian

energy solutions

Renewable Energy Hub—a planned



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Cop 27: UAE to help develop 10GW windfarm in Egypt

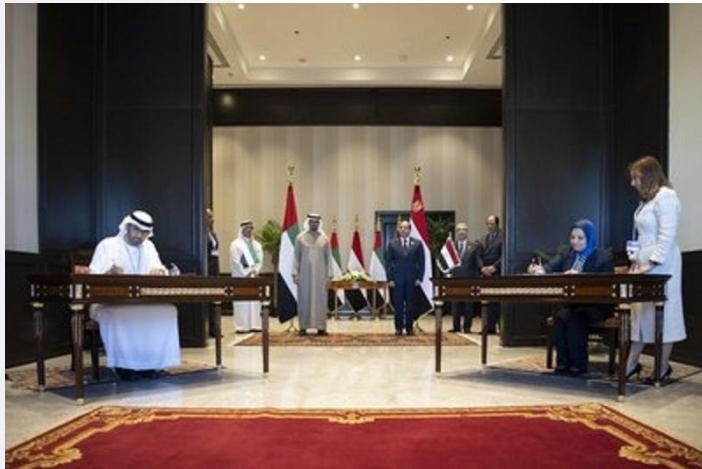
Abu Dhabi's state-owned renewables company Masdar is partnering with two Egyptian firms to develop a 10GW onshore wind farm project in Egypt — one of the largest in the world.

Today over 100 projects to produce some 100 million tons ammonia

November 9, 2022

Masdar and partners sign MoU to build 10GW wind project in Egypt

The project is estimated to save around \$5bn in annual natural gas costs for the country.



➡ #BlueAmmonia:

KBR, Inc. has announced capability for 10,000 MTPD green/blue **#ammonia** facilities. Huge scale. North of 3.5 million tons per year. For the blue variant, very concentrated CO2 streams are available for CCS'ing: https://lnkd.in/eqqpC_Gs

➡ In case you haven't seen it:

Novozymes are working on **#enzymatic** carbon capture: https://lnkd.in/evBiD_T4. How does it scale?

➡ Techno-economic feasibility report from **Mærsk McKinney Møller Center for Zero Carbon Shipping** on On-board Carbon Capture (OCCS) for marine applications:

<https://lnkd.in/eGFaAg6r>. Does it make sense with the high abatement cost?

➡ Biogenic CO2 and point-source capture technology will be crucial for **A.P. Møller - Maersk** to reach the **#eMethanol** production target 🎯 for the announcement linked to Spain: <https://lnkd.in/eck8ajb3>

➡ DAC project to be progressed on Iceland: <https://lnkd.in/eeYKmUPn>. But, but, but.... Can the abatement cost of DAC "compete" with other pathways for decarbonization while we still have massive quantities of fossil and biogenic point sources?

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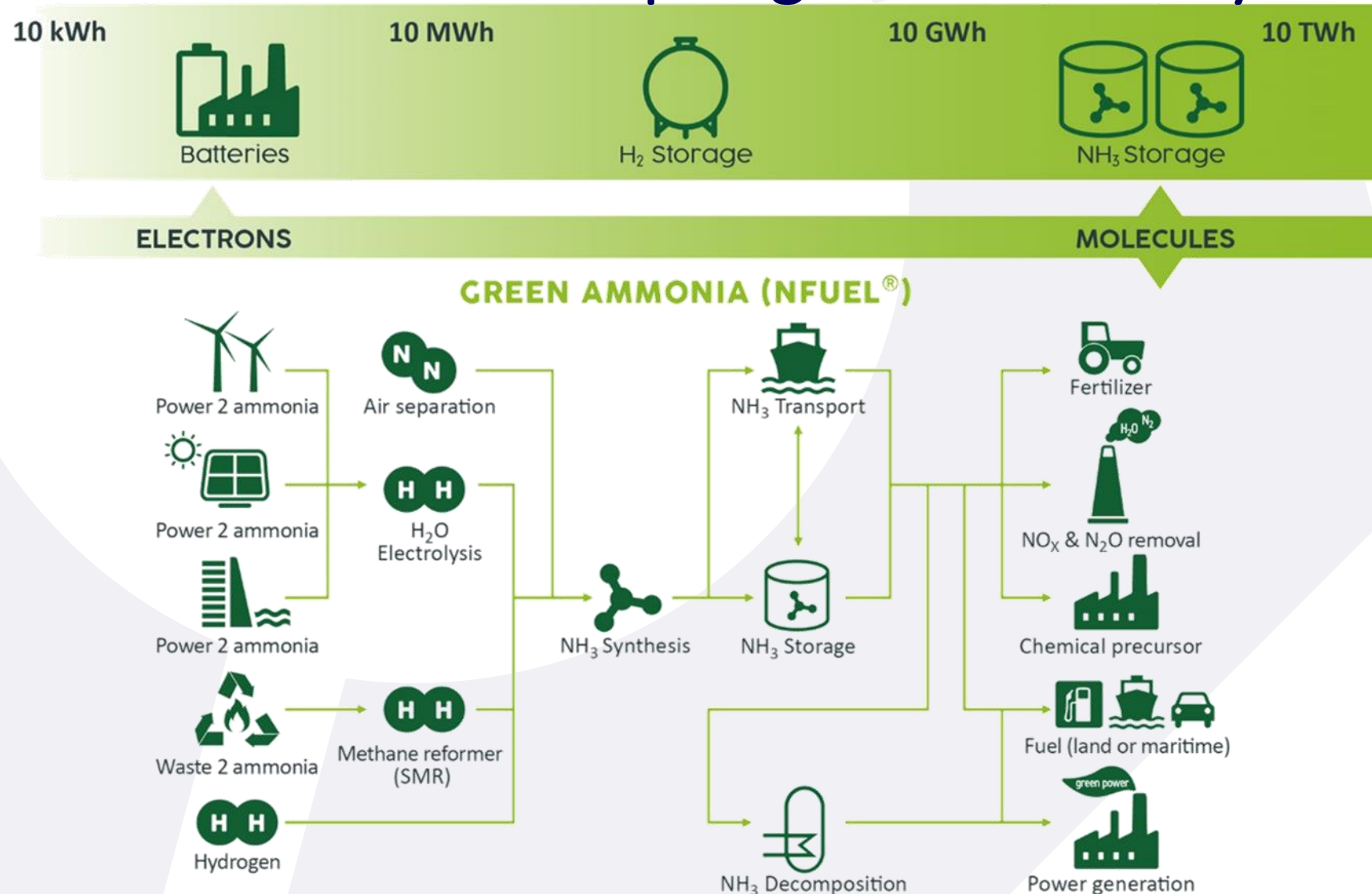


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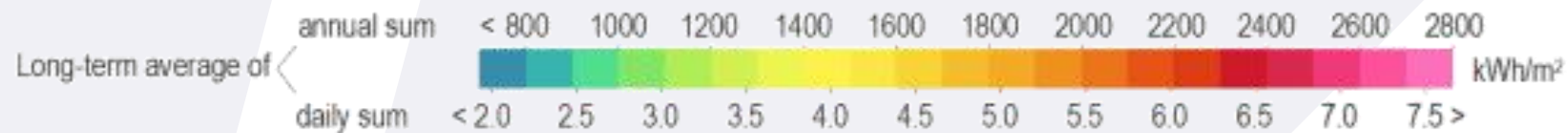
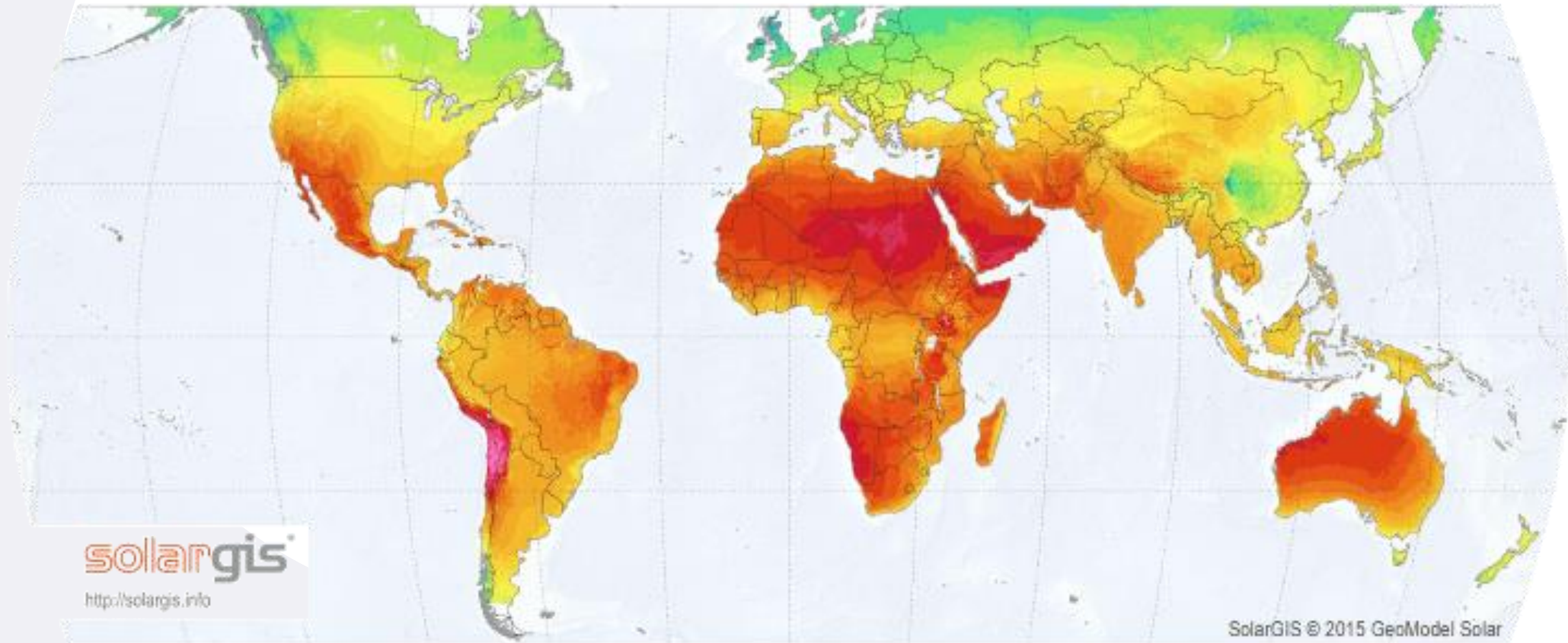
Why ammonia : HD flexible liquid green electricity



Ammonia, the new oil

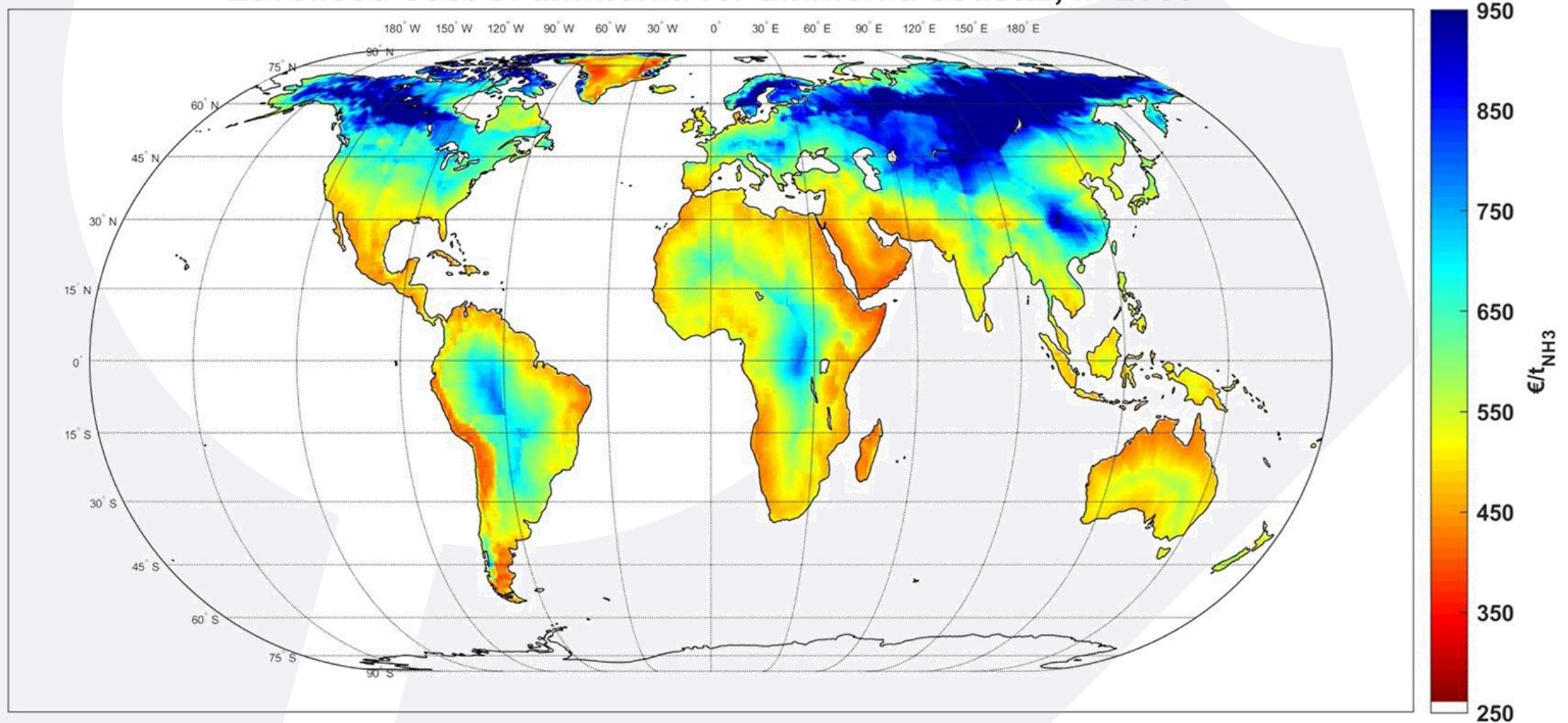
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GeoModel
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Ammonia; liquid electricity- let 's say “oil”

Levelised cost of ammonia for ammonia coastal, in 2030



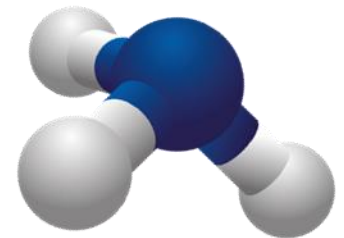
It is all about logistics and its “associated” costs

Power2ammonia and back ammonia-power (at decentralised sites)

The Dilemma is :

how to make clear why ammonia is the better option als energie Carrier in various parts of the world:

- Comparing fossil with non-fossil products
- Comparing H2 versus ammonia or vs methanol or other fuels
- Comparing for various applications and technical requirements between blue, grey and green ammonia
- Compare costs, margins and premium markets
- Flexibility in usages
- Long term storage / **strategic** storage as part of energy system
- Maybe companies make suboptimised conclusions and do not look to full value chain
 - Per type of product/ carrier
 - Per LCA
 - Per application
 - Per country of use



H₂ –chains for transport (Pro's & Con's, @ 2,670 ton H₂)

- **NFuel (Ammonia)**

- $3\text{H}_2 + \text{N}_2 \Rightarrow 2\text{NH}_3$ or 1,5 molecule H₂ gives 1 molecule NH₃ (**no loss** of H₂ in the formation reaction)
- Approx. 178 kg H₂ per ton NH₃
- Cracking NH₃ to H₂ takes approx. 20-23% of initial H₂ quantity (why do this and not use directly the NH₃?)
- 15,000 ton NH₃ requires some **20,000 m³** storage volume

- **LOHC (Liquid Organic Hydrogen Carrier)**

- Thermo-chemical bonding of H₂ to organic hydrocarbons (e.g. MCH)
- Approx. 62 kg H₂ per ton LOHC
- Thermal energy needed to release H₂ from LOHC required, typically 25% energy loss
- Re-use existing infrastructure related to Oil & Petro Chemical Industry
- 43,000 ton LOHC requires some **55,900 m³** storage volume (but simpler system)

- **LH₂**

- Liquid at -253 °C, requires some 3.9 (theoretical minimum) up to 16 kWh/kg H₂ in energy (10 - 50% of energy value is lost)
- 2,670 ton liquid H₂ requires some **38,000 m³** storage volume
- To compare, compressed H₂ gas at 200 barg would require for the same 2,670 ton the impossible volume of ca **188,000 m³**

- **CH₄ – CH₃OH (MeOH) : with fossil carrier**

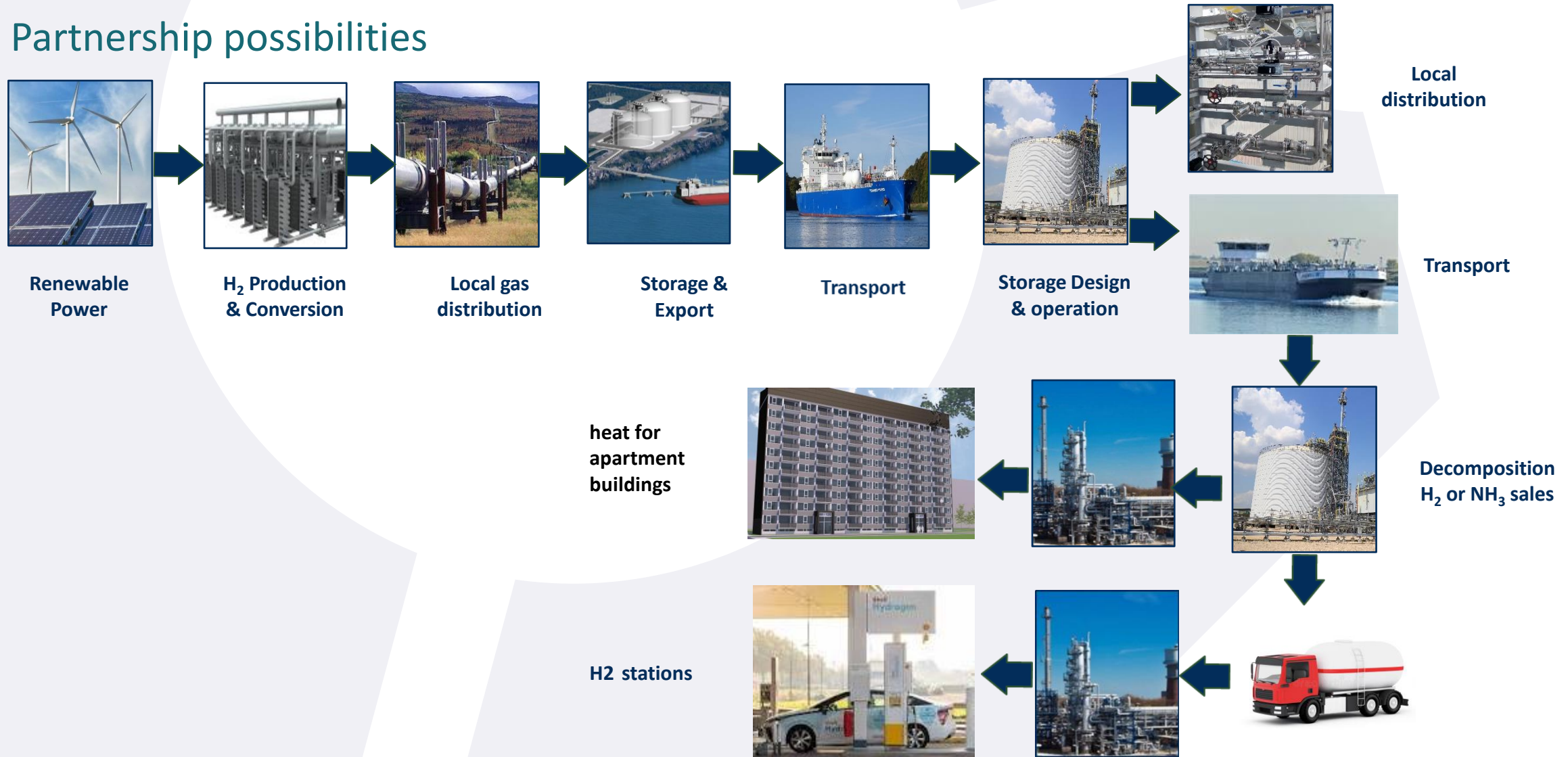
- The formation reaction requires CO₂ and generates less H₂ due to H₂O being formed, hence less attractive for energy purposes other than niche or difficult to abate sectors. Will the CO₂ resource be there in the future?
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Hubs for clean ammonia



Optimising new chains of ammonia P2A-A2P

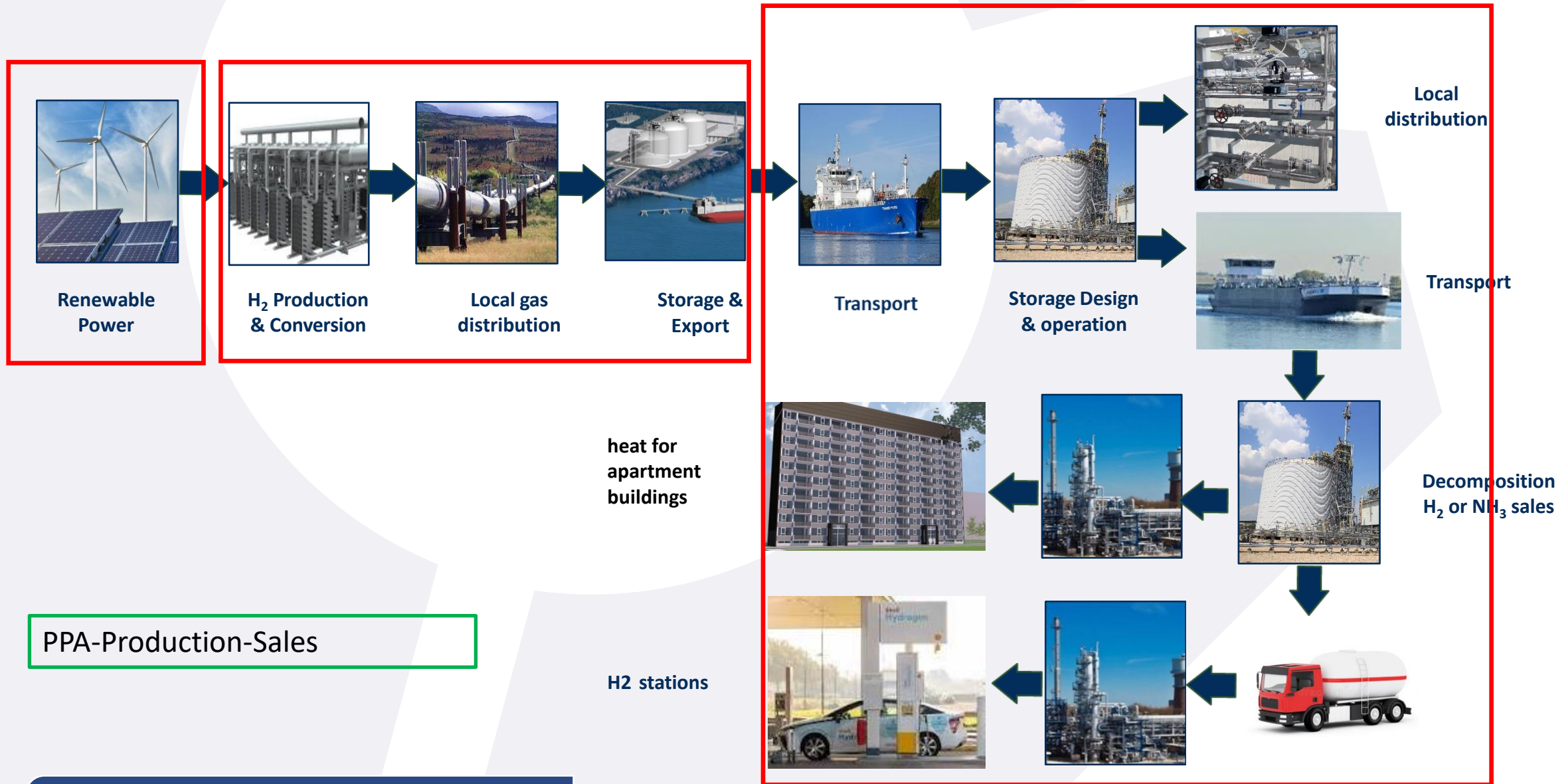
Partnership possibilities



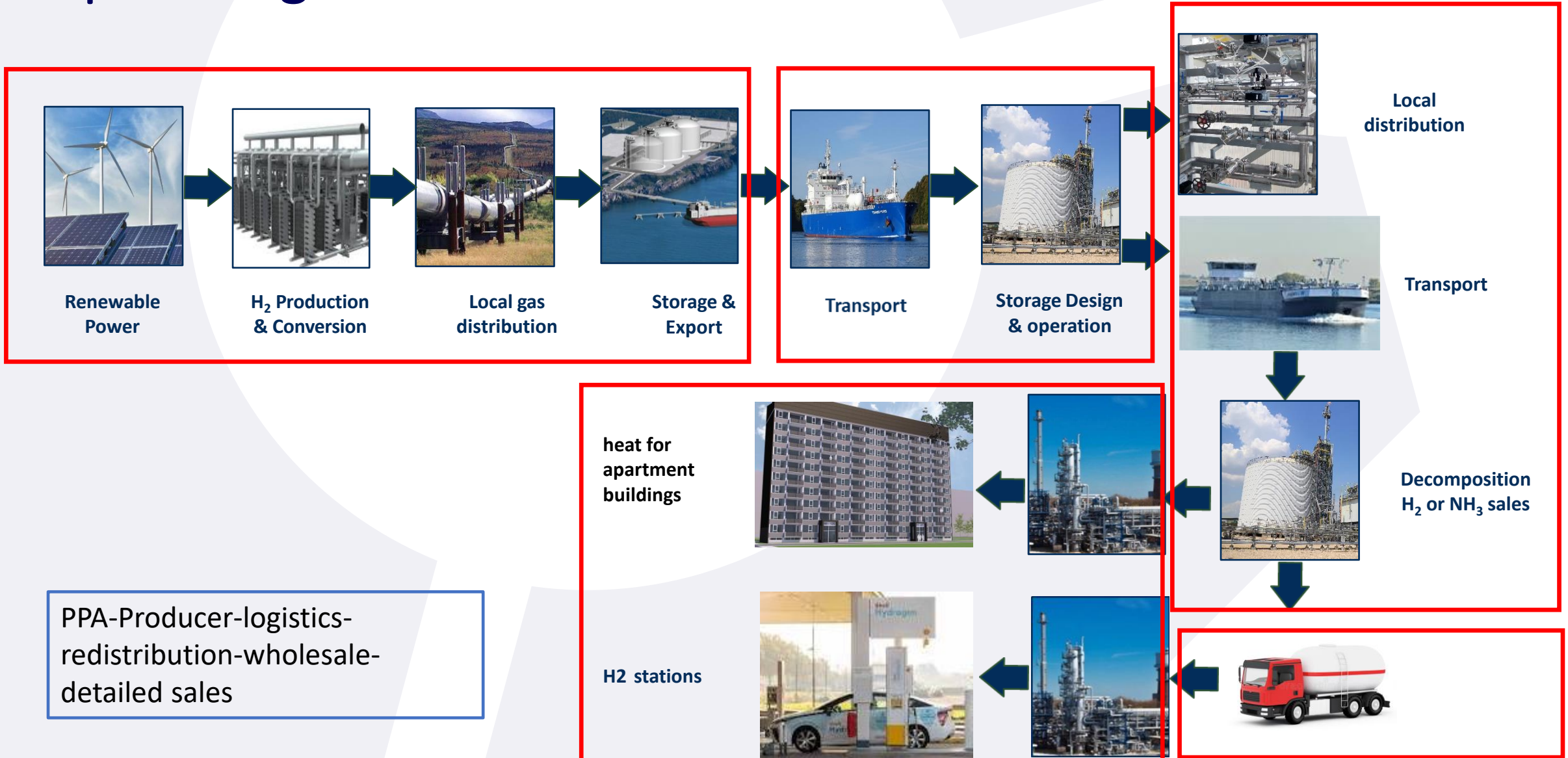
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Advantages business models

- 1 Alliance

single line of responsibility

Co-investment pro rata

profit pro rata/ risks pro rata low risk/ decent income II/ Complex to organise

- 2 traditional PPA based

PPA-Production-Wholesale

**power producer makes guaranteed profit-
producer has the risks**

investors feel more safe, but lower margins

- 3 traditional

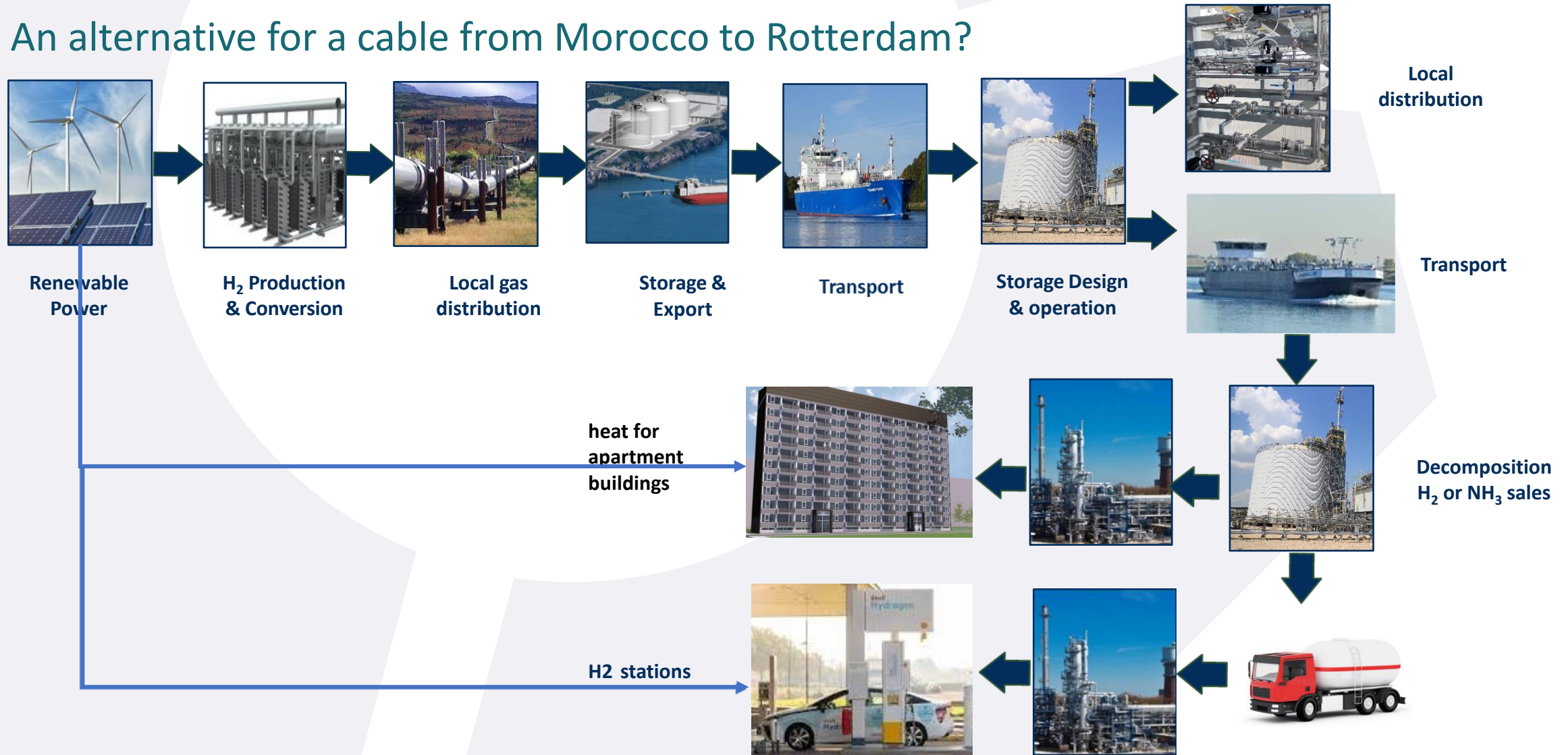
PPA (market price) -production agreement (take or pay) - logistics (take or pay)-storage agreement(s) -detailed distribution

Power producer makes the biggest profit, producer makes a profit, all risks at distribution channels at lower margin for producer.

High income potentially , but more complex to start to have all agreements in place at the same time

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An alternative for a cable from Morocco to Rotterdam?



Offtake and pricing (Blue and Green)

- **Ammonia can be considered oil!**; Does oil have a fixed price?????????
- Ammonia green is mainly fuel, but competes as molecule with ammonia for fertilisers (at a premium?)
- Ammonia is not a product, but a way to transport energy from A to B
 - Thus ammonia (full new chain) = “infrastructure”
 - Depreciation of ammonia is thus to compete with other infrastructure projects
 - More 40 years than 10-20 years for levelised costs
 - Detailed studies (NAM challenge) showed enormous shorter payback for NH3 vs H2
- OPEX is most crucial for long term profitability. CAPEX “should be” less determining factor for FID decisions
- Lowest Capex per site always is best , but impossible to have one technology being best.

Costs for clean ammonia (Blue/Green)

- Opex is key for green projects
 - Indicative costs for most green technologies is 9000-11000 kW/ton NH₃ green
 - Including all raw materials costs
 - No manpower included, but usually 20 euro/ton for bigger plants of some 500 ktpa
 - With 1-2 ct/kWh alkaline outcompetes other sources , except hydro
- Capex; (new build units)
 - With double Capex , solar (25-35%) will probably be still cheaper than wind (45-60%) or geo or nuclear or CCS based ammonia
 - If new technologies come, this might change , but in such case there should be a big benefit in OPEX mainly say getting closer to theoretical amount of energy for electrolysing water i.e
 - Combination of wind and solar is not always the better picture, but offers flexibility at low or no wind/solar for longer period
- OPEX CAPEX for Blue is depending plants different and should be competitive in shorter period of depreciation (not 40 years!). Earlier 5-8 years payback to be competitive

In 2030 “Green” may outcompete Blue as well in Hydrogen as in Ammonia costs

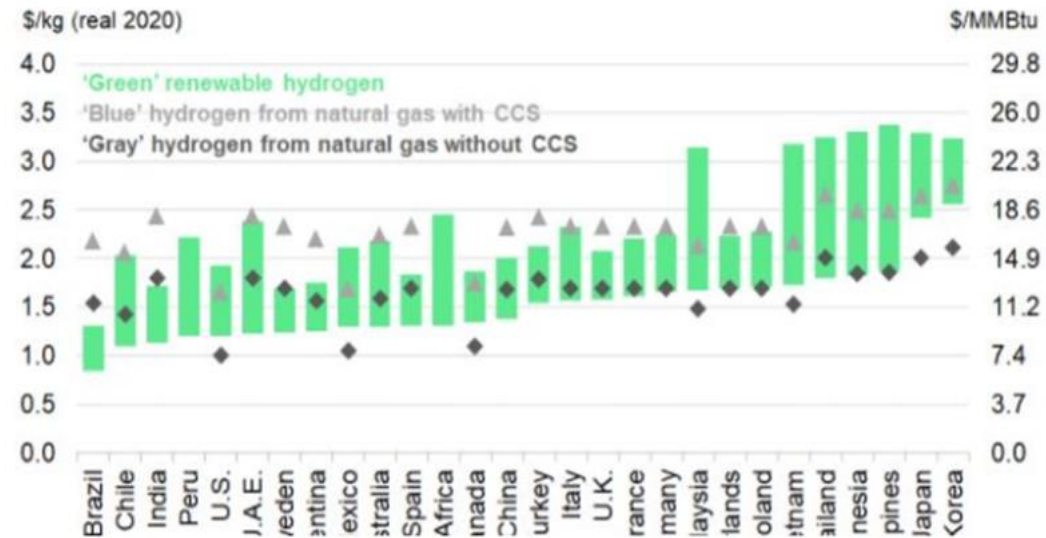
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- Fossil hydrogen with CCS currently cheaper than 'green'
- The opposite should be true by 2030 in all major markets

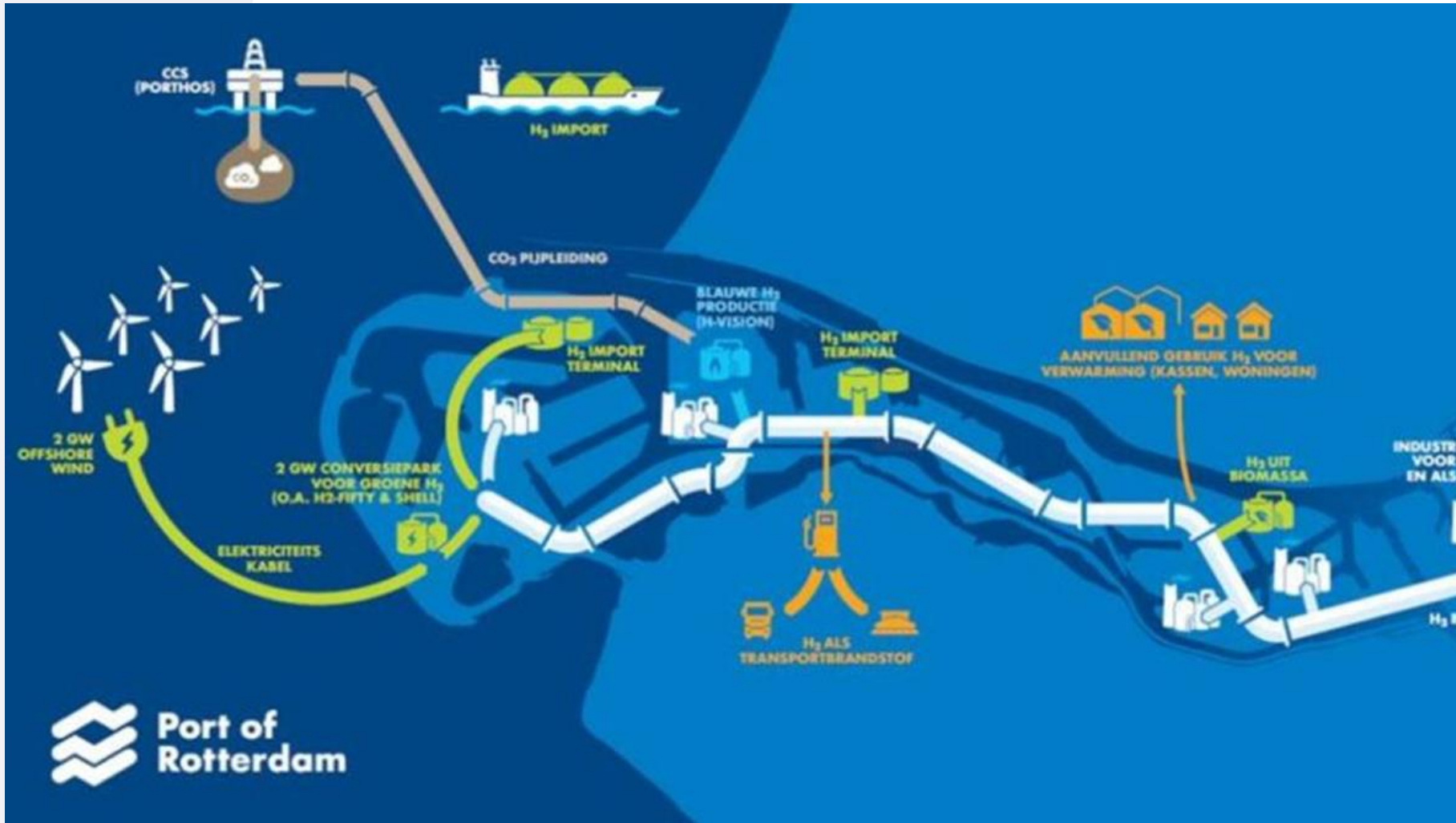
'Green' versus 'blue' hydrogen costs, 2030



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Blue is an enabler for green in future to give the volume to start, but temporarily the cheapest till ??????

Supply chain projects in Rotterdam



7 ammonia terminals
5 new ,1 retrofit, 1 existing
(total 10 Mton/pa throughput)

CO2 sewer

H2 backbone

Multiple crackers and bunker
stations

Grey H2 production

Blue H2 production

New mega electrolyzers of total
2 GW

Conditions for succes for a global market

Partnership in the logistic supply chain
Partnership in the mechanical supply chain
Partnership with the government/society

Think globally and act locally
Certification
Pricing mechanism locally
permitting



Most important take aways for progress of the Clean Ammonia industry

- Certification should in place for many countries, worldwide accepted
 - Public perception improvement
 - Correct narrative for information about ammonia safety for “downstream” usage
 - Further costs reduction by new technologies/Innovations are helpful
 - Scaling of electrolyzers production facilities
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- Ammonia is to be considered the new **oil** and pricing should be accordingly fossil based oil
 - Clear pricing mechanism for different markets
- And
- Partnerships are an accelerator to scale the business

NH3 Event Europe 2023

- Organiser of the yearly European (green) NH3 event since 2017
- > 200 participants last year
- In 2023 the event takes place on 8 & 9 June, 2023
- Call for papers is open.
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