

# Vesinikupäev 2023

*Vesinikutehnoloogiate alane koostöö Balti riikides*

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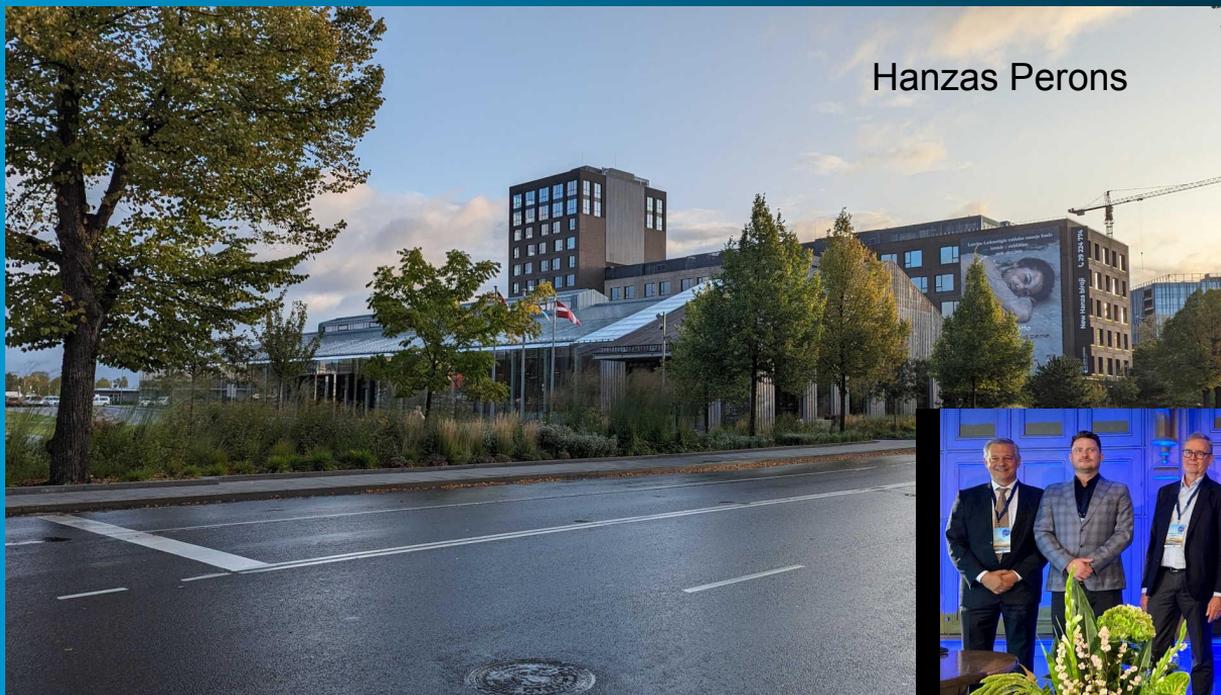
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4 October 2023

## Energy Future in the Baltic Sea

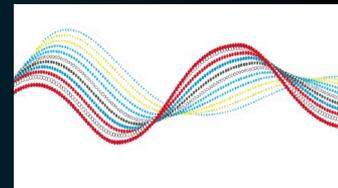
 9.00 - 17.00  Riga, Latvia





# BaSeH2 – Baltic Sea Region Hydrogen Council

A collaborative project in SI Baltic Sea Neighbourhood Programme **supporting organisations, companies and business associations in Baltic Sea Region** in actions towards reaching their sustainability goals, through further **expansion of regional collaboration**, developing models and methods, providing input to policy and strategy, and sharing knowledge.



## FOCUS AREAS IN THE PROJECT:

- Networking
- Competence Development
- Policy Development

## Approaches:

- Baltic Sea Region Hydrogen Road Tour
- Mobile workshops
- CEO Alliance platforms
- Launch Baltic Sea Region Hydrogen Council



# Naabrivalve

# Läti

# ENERGY IN LATVIA

## SNAPSHOT 2022

### ELECTRICITY

CONSUMPTION  
**7.1 TWh**

GENERATION  
**4.8 TWh**

GENERATION TYPE  
~70% RES  
~30% OTHER

### GAS NATURAL

CONSUMPTION  
**9 TWh**  
(-30% from 2021)

BIOMETHANE POTENTIAL  
**0,7-1,5 TWh**

PHYSICAL FLOWS  
~75% LNG  
~25% RUS

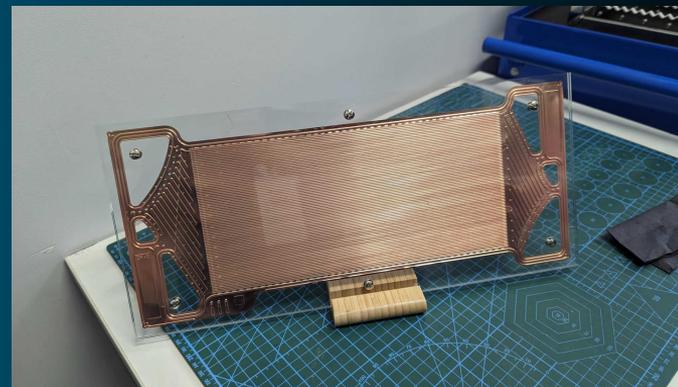
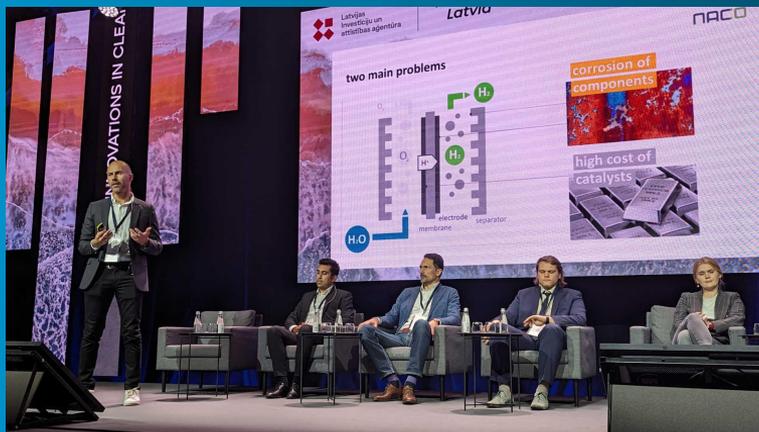
### DIST. HEATING

ENERGY SUPPLIED  
**5.7 TWh**

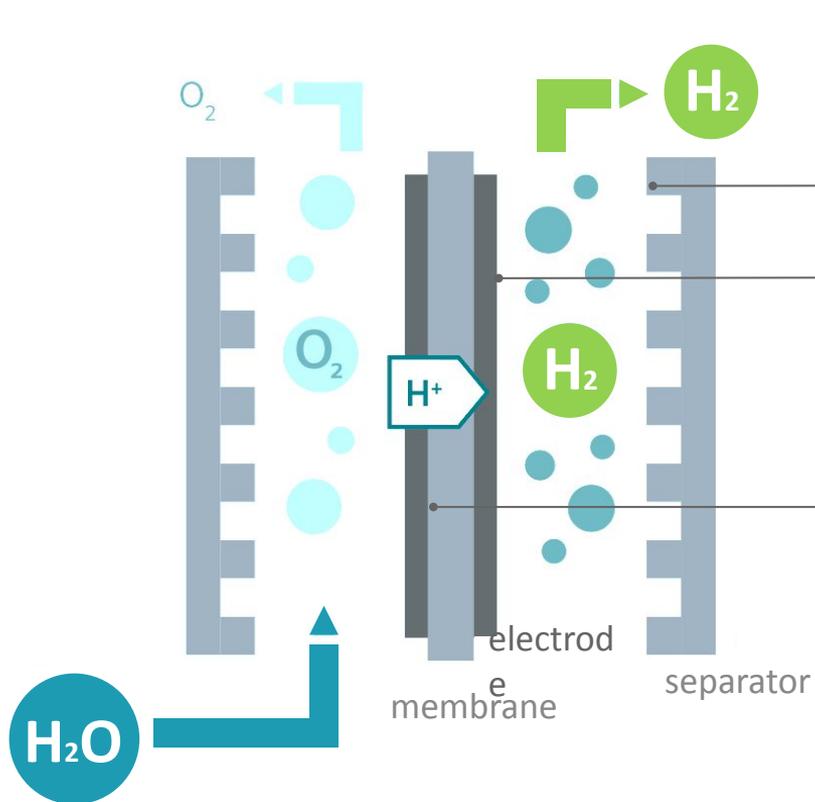
GENERATORS (>1MW)  
**100**

FUELS  
~57% RES  
~43% OTHER

\*Data from 2021. regulated utilities



# Problems



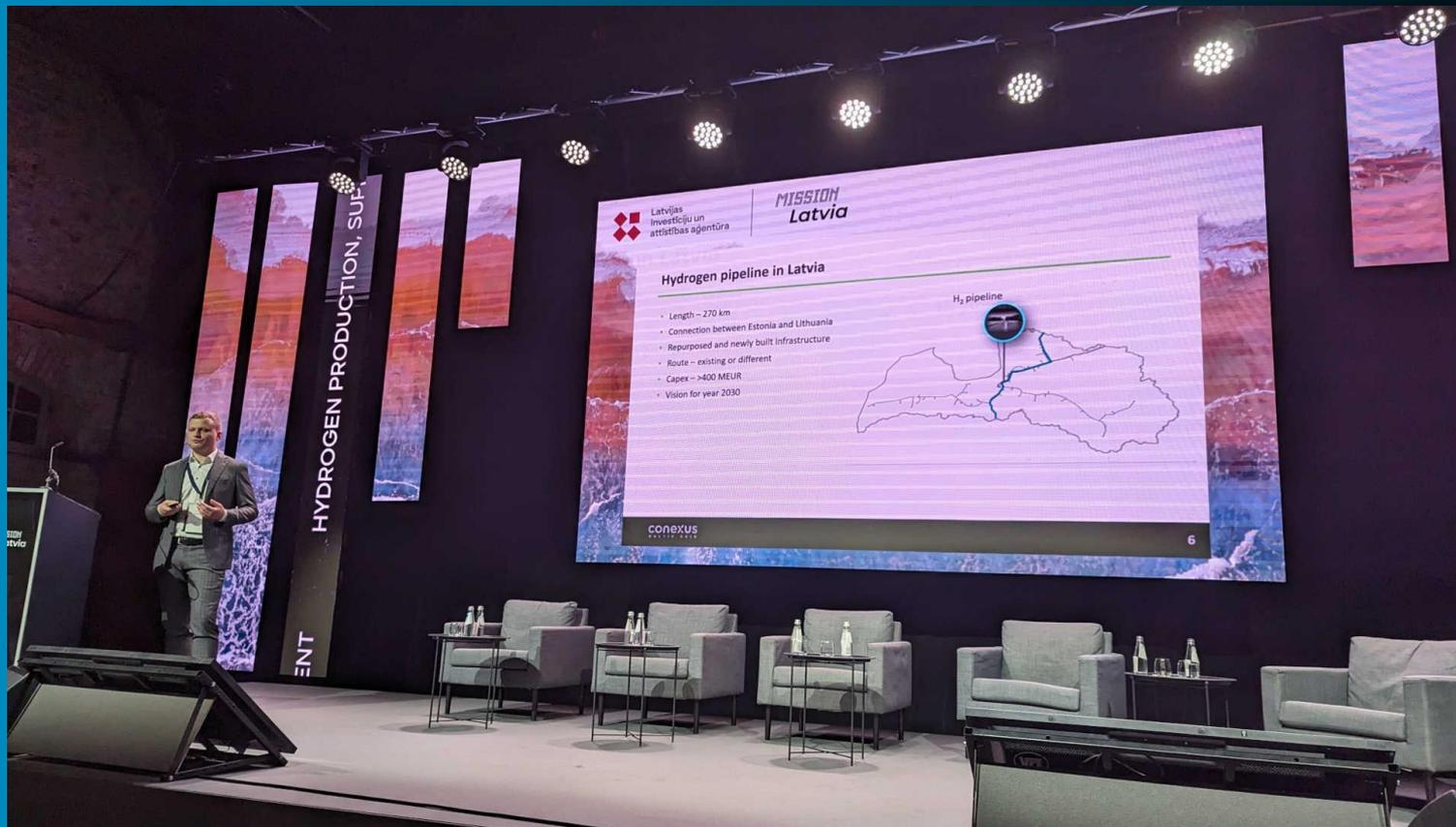
corrosion of components



availability and high cost of catalysts (30% of system cost)







## HyFuel P

HyFuel P is a simplest mobile refueling solution for, primarily but not restricted, 350 bar(g) fuel cell vehicles (heavy-duty trucks, public transportation, fork lifters etc.). The system needs no electrical connection and is easy transportable.



Caters perfectly to the refueling needs of first stage testing and small vehicle fleets.

## HyFuel C

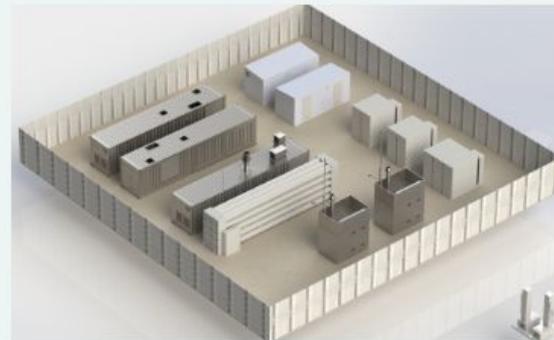
HyFuel C is a mobile hydrogen refueling station with optional internal storage, that provides hydrogen refueling via cascade and direct boost/compress methods with all fueling control and safety systems. Suitable for both 350 and 700 bar(g) fuel cell vehicles.



Ideal for solutions where multiple refueling per day are necessary.

## Full scale station

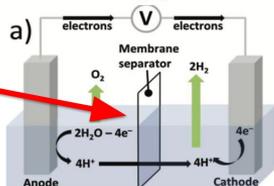
Hydrogen production and refueling station is a complete and fully automated solution. With variety of options based on systems demands. Equipped with advanced control systems that monitor and regulate the entire refueling process.



The best solution for high refueling demands, such as public transport services.

## Disadvantages of conventional membrane type electrolysis equipment

- $H_2$  and  $O_2$  must not mix
- Membrane is used in commercial electrolysis equipment



- High material (membranes) costs;
- High maintenance costs;
- Extra pure water required;
- Safety risks due to  $H_2/O_2$  transport through the membrane
- Expensive pressure maintenance devices on both sides of the membrane are required



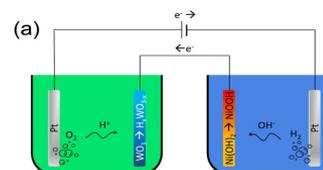
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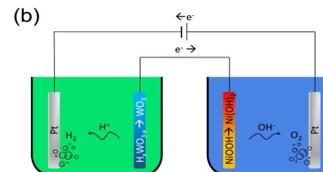
Ohmium designs, builds and deploys polymer electrolyte membrane (PEM) electrolyzers which separate the hydrogen out of water- plants with total power 1GW!!!

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## Concept created by RTU - decoupled electrolysis (without membrane)



1.  $2H_2O \rightarrow O_2 + 4e^- + 4H^+$
2.  $WO_3 + xe^- + xH^+ \rightarrow H_xWO_3$
3.  $Ni(OH)_2 + OH^- \rightarrow NiOOH + e^- + H_2O$
4.  $2H_2O + 2e^- \rightarrow H_2 + 2OH^-$



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4.  $4OH^- - 4e^- \rightarrow 2H_2O + O_2$

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# Leedu

# Leedu Vesinikuplaanid

- 2050, Leedu plaanib toota piisavalt rohelist vesinikku, selleks et katta oma vajadused ja eksportida ülejäävad energiaproductid teistesse riikidesse.
- Tarvidus 24 TWh ( $\sim 720\,000$  tpa) vesiniku järele
- Installeeritud vesinikutootmine 8.5 GW<sub>el</sub>
- Elektritarve selleks 36 TWh<sub>el</sub> – 3 korda rohkem kui tänane tarbimine.

## Riigi poolsed sammud:

Press release | 4 October 2023 | Brussels

**State aid: Commission approves €193 million Lithuanian scheme to support offshore wind farms to foster the transition to a net-zero economy**

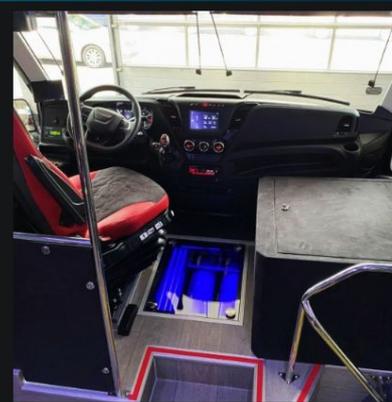
Government's hydrogen development plan, coming soon.

# Elinta motors



- Up to 500 km Range
- 8.4 kg Hydrogen Capacity
- 120 kW

- Up to 400-500 km Range
- Unlimited daily operation with fast refueling.
- 150 kW / 1250 Nm





*Lithuanian  
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# Association activities and H<sub>2</sub> energy sector in Lithuania

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# Hydrogen in Lithuania (Industry/some of main players)

## ORLEN Lietuva, AB

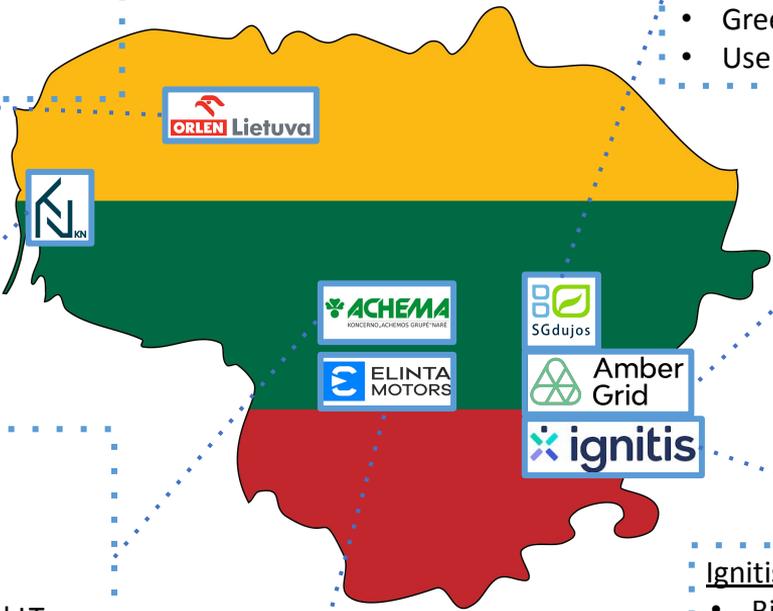
- Oil producer.
- H<sub>2</sub> annual demand: **50 000 t**
- Application: Refinery.
- Technology: Reforming.

## SG Dujos, UAB

- Hydrogen technologies for vehicles.
- Green H<sub>2</sub> producer.
- Use up to 10% of hydrogenated natural gas.

## Klaipėdos nafta, AB

- LNG terminal - the energy security of the Baltic Sea Region.
- Plans to be H<sub>2</sub> transportation hub in Baltic region.



## Amber Grid, AB

- Lithuanian NG TSO.
- H<sub>2</sub> injection into NG grid system project (up to 10%).
- Started to operate GIPL pipeline.

## Achema, AB

- Fertilizers producer.
- H<sub>2</sub> annual demand: **150 000 t**
- Application: H<sub>2</sub> for ammonia.
- Technology: reforming (18 % of total LT CO<sub>2</sub> emissions).

## Ignitis, UAB

- Biggest electricity supplier in LT.
- 700 MW offshore wind park till 2030.

## Elinta Motors, UAB

- Development of H<sub>2</sub> FC vehicles.

# Some H2-related activities in LT (I)

## Government initiatives:

- National Hydrogen Strategy – guidelines presented at 20<sup>th</sup> September, should be done in short time;
- National calls (supporting schemes) for H2 infrastructure and transport (ended calls)
  - Development of green hydrogen production capacity. Main points: deadline: august 22. Total budget: 50 000 000 €. Max budget per project: 15 000 000 €. Conditions: Max 770 000 Eur per one MW electrolyser, after implementation – H2 production should be not less than 0,168 tonnes of green H2 for every thousand of subsidised euros.
  - HRS installation. Deadline – July 18. Budget - 3 600 000 €.
  - Promoting the purchase of pure electric or hydrogen vehicles for the public sector. Deadline – June 9, budget - 38 000 000 €
  - H2 production and utilization. Deadline – February 1, budget - 20 000 000 €

# Some H<sub>2</sub>-related activities in LT (I)

## • Electricity:

- 700 MW offshore wind (up to 2 TWh of green electricity per year)
- Harmony Link project – offshore Lithuanian-Polish electricity interconnector (will help to integrate additional 1000 MW offshore wind);
- Installed more than 20 MW batteries for grid stabilisation (foreseen to install more than 200 MW batteries in total).

## Gas grids:

- Launched of GIPL (Lithuania-Poland) pipeline (contributes to Baltic Region independence in energy sector).

## Transport:

- **4 HRS – till 2026;**
- **25 % of public transport and 1 % of trucks will be H<sub>2</sub>FC vehicles till 2030.**
- **Vilnius announced to buy 16 FCEV busses.**



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# H<sub>2</sub> science projects in Lithuania

**Dr. Marius Urbonavičius**

**Senior Researcher at Center for Hydrogen Energy  
Technologies**

**Member of Hydrogen Energy Association**

**20 September 2023**



# H<sub>2</sub> research activities in Lithuania

## Klaipėda University

- Offshore H<sub>2</sub> application, shipping



## Kaunas University of Technology

- Synthesis of materials for fuel cells and analysis



## Center for Physical Sciences and Technology

- H<sub>2</sub> production via electrolysis
- Photoelectrodes synthesis for hydrogen evolution (photo electrochemistry)
- Electrodes for fuel cells

## Vilnius University

- Synthesis of solid electrolytes for fuel cells and analysis

## Vilnius TECH

- H<sub>2</sub> mixture with NG, its application to transport sector

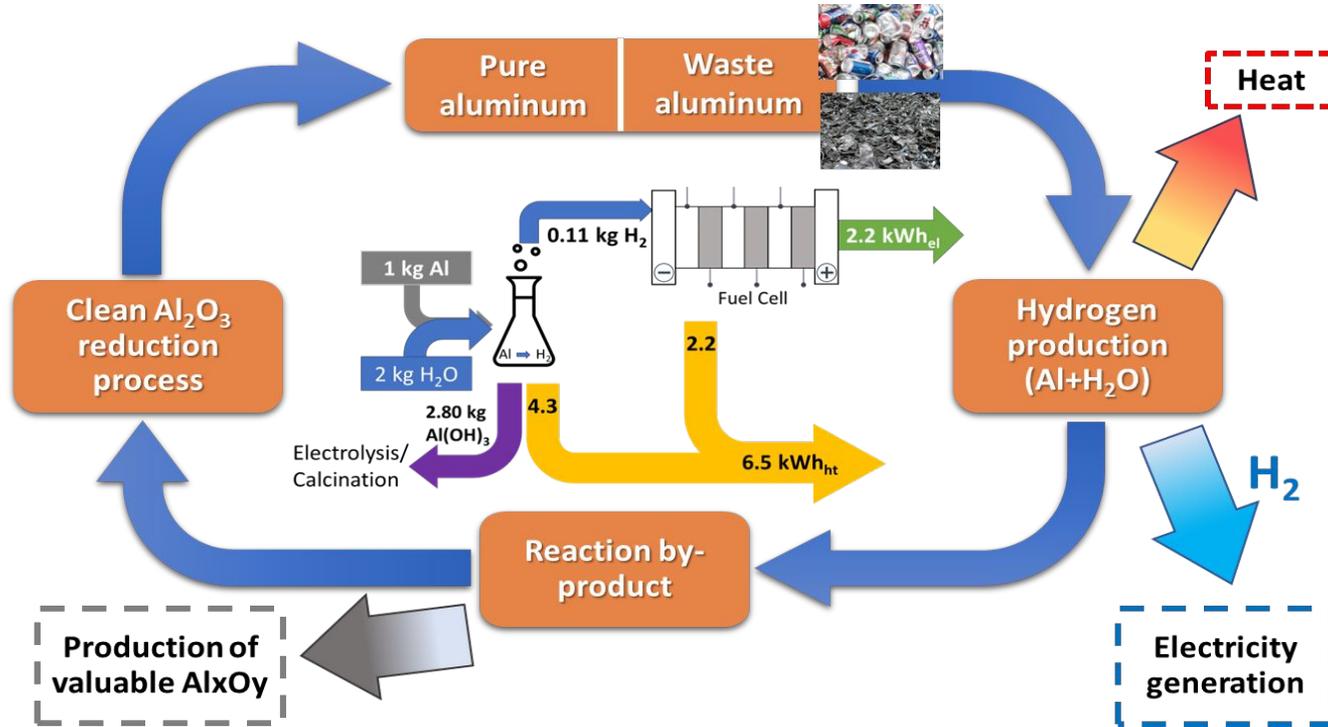
## Vytautas Magnus University

- H<sub>2</sub> economy, policy, law and regulations

## Lithuanian energy institute

- H<sub>2</sub> production, storage, application
- Energy balance and management
- Biomethane production and Syngas conversion to biomethane

# Project – ALICE-WHY (Aluminum in circle economy - from waste through hydrogen energy to alumina)



The main goal of the project is to investigate the Al reaction with water and design a prototype for scrap Al use in H<sub>2</sub> production and following byproduct reduction to Al oxides

Coordinator

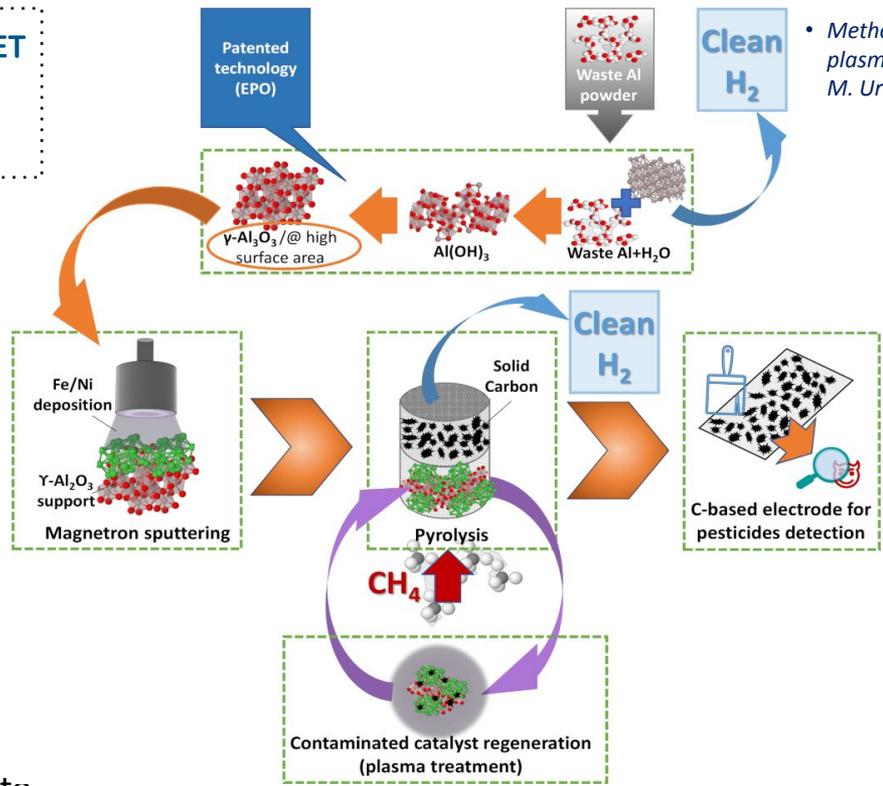
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UNIVERSITY OF LATVIA

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Iceland

# Project – InnoHyppy (INNOvative catalyst and its regeneration for clean Hydrogen Production via methane Pyrolysis)



• Method for synthesis of gamma aluminium oxide using plasma - modified aluminium and water reaction. D. Milčius, M. Urbonavičius, M. Lelis. EPO, EP3768640B1

The present project aims at the fundamental and practical investigation of Fe/Ni materials by development of novel catalyst for cleaner and more efficient **clean hydrogen production via methane pyrolysis** technique as well as their regeneration in order to increase its durability, where all the residues will be used as secondary raw materials for further application

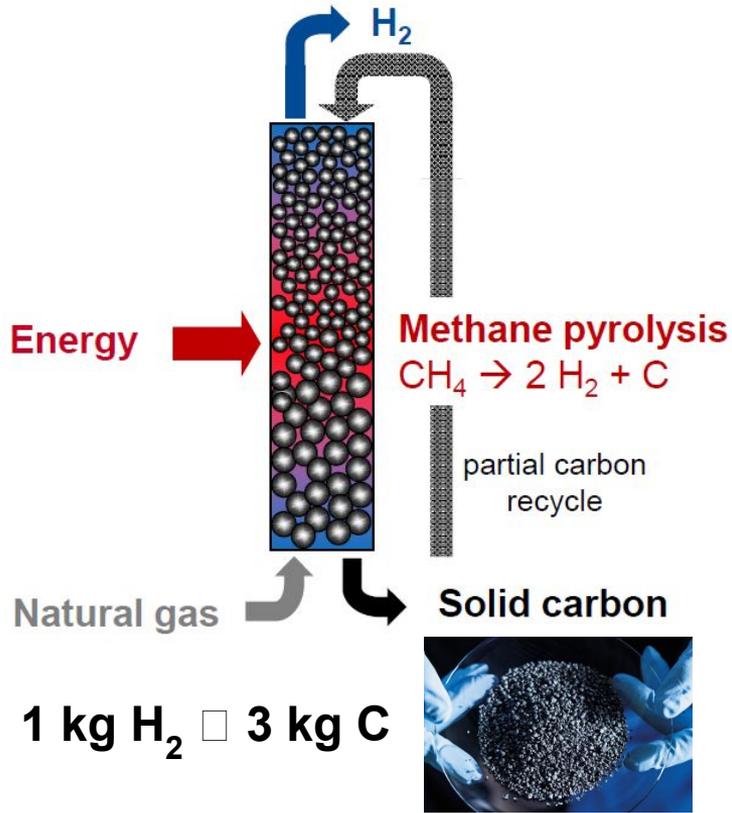
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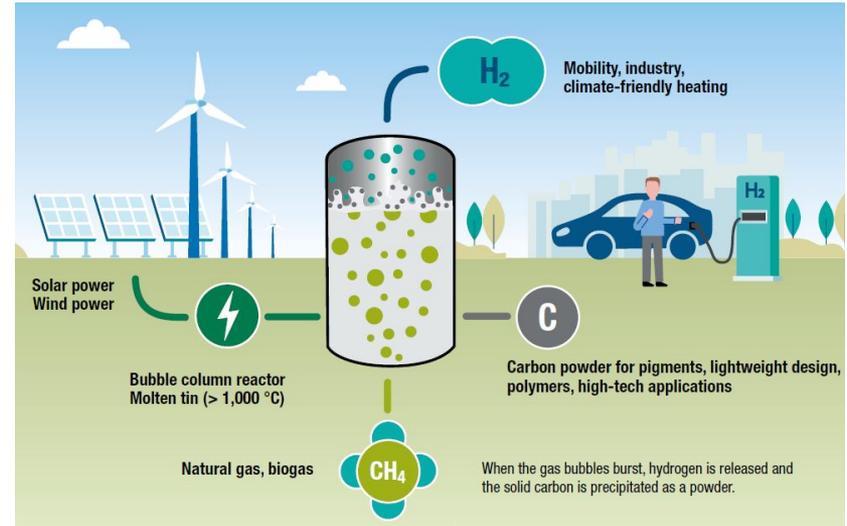
Slovenia

# Methane Pyrolysis - Turquoise hydrogen



Stephen Jackson,  
Chief Market & technology Officer at Hydrogen Europe:

*Turquoise hydrogen made from pyrolysis is a clean and cost-effective production method that, if properly exploited, can play an important role in growing the hydrogen market and achieving our energy-transition goals.*



# HYDROGEN ENERGY TECHNOLOGY COURSE FOR BUSINESS



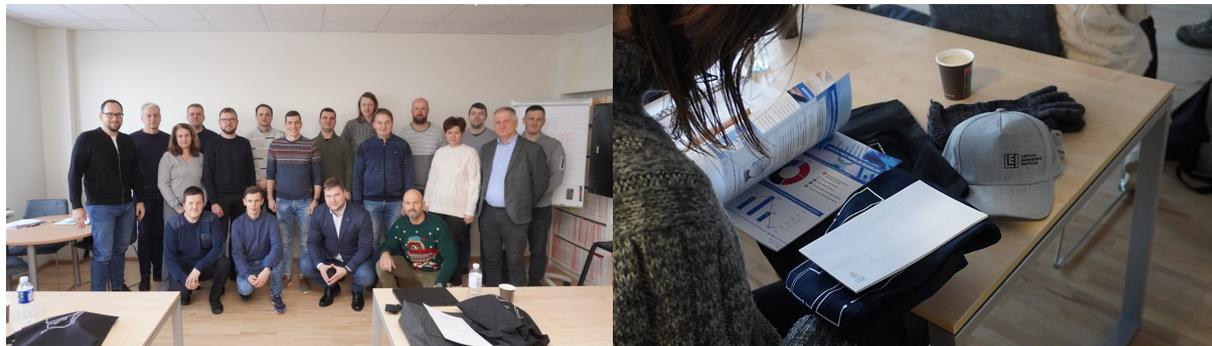
## COURSE PROGRAMME

- Hydrogen production and conversion
- Hydrogen technologies
- Hydrogen for industry
- Hydrogen economy
- Hydrogen storage & transportation
- Carbon capture & Storage
- Fuel cells
- Hydrogen for mobility applications & vehicles
- Grid infrastructure
- Case studies
- Power to Hydrogen
- Hydrogen safety



*The content may be adjusted based on the participants' requirements*

Past participants include AB Amber Grid and AB Achema group



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# Lithuania's plans and goals in the hydrogen economy

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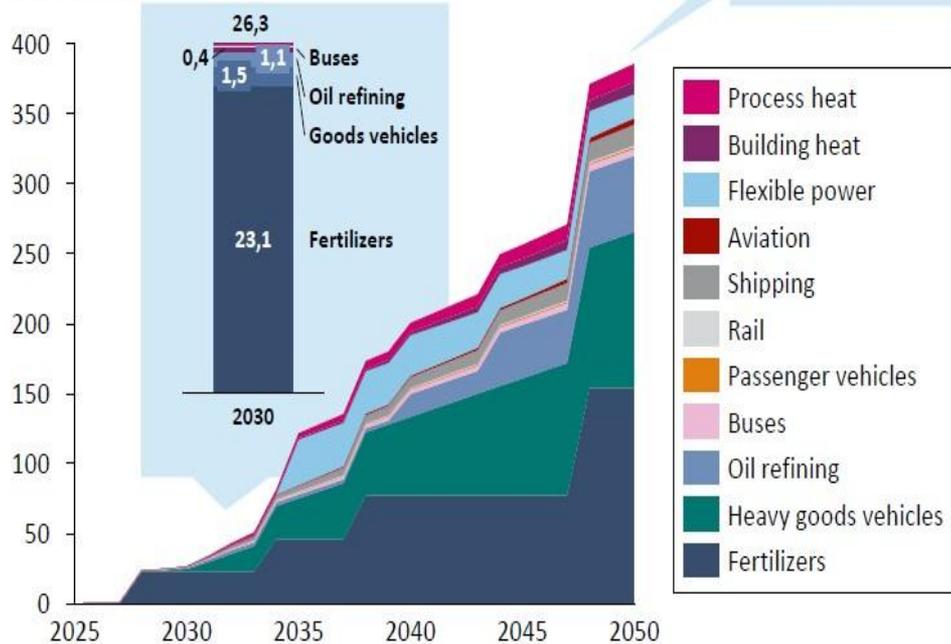


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# GREEN AND LOW CARBON H2 DEMAND 2025-2050

**Base case** estimate of annual low-carbon hydrogen demand in Lithuania (2025- 50)  
kt hydrogen



Based on the market survey and modelling results, demand for H2 is predicted:

- **26 kt (~1 TWh) by 2030**
- **380 kt (~13 TWh) by 2050**

The most important areas of demand:

**Industrial sector** (Achema, Orlen)

**Transport sector** (heavy transport, trains, shipping)

**Production of electricity and thermal energy**



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## Hydrogen economy

**Hydrogen plays an important role in the green transition from fossil fuels towards the production and use of renewable energy.**

FItech Hydrogen study module brings together the educational offering from all universities of technology in Finland. It consists of 20–40 ECTS of studies. **Scroll down to see courses open for application!**

The study module provides a holistic understanding of the hydrogen economy and its value chain as well as related technical, economic and political questions. It considers hydrogen as a system and as part of the energy system. Hydrogen use is investigated as a part of machines and energy generation and also discussed from the perspective of different chemical products that are derivatives of hydrogen. To complete the picture, the life cycle analysis and the role of hydrogen in energy and geopolitics are also considered.

