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### **Energy Storage in Hydrogen and Re**electrification; Fuel Cells

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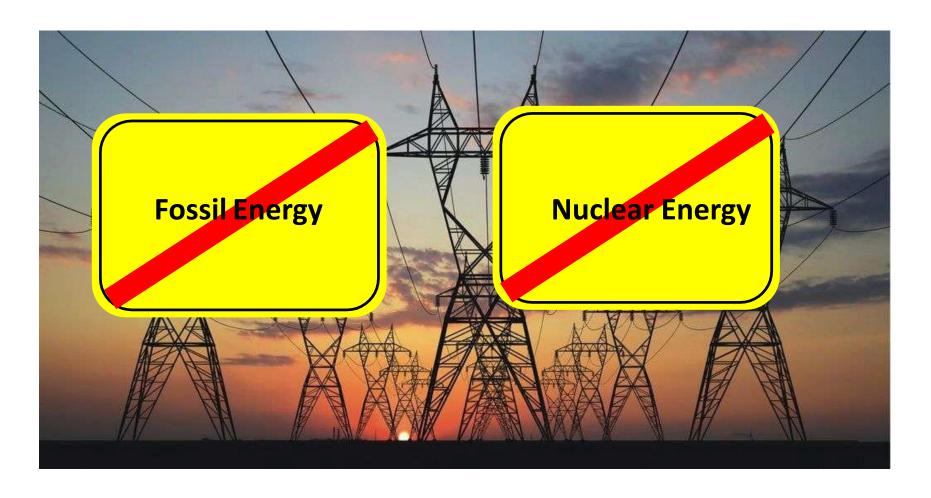
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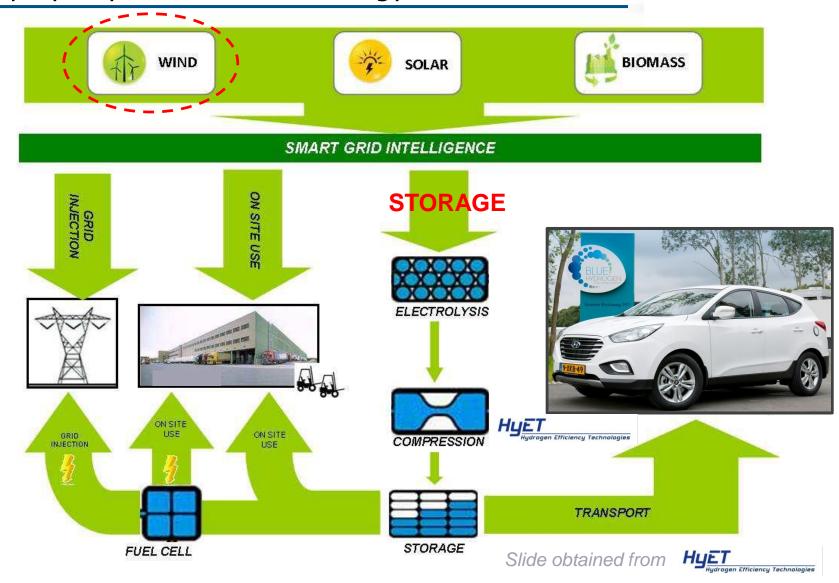
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## Climate agreement

Wind, solar, Bio require new energy infrastructure

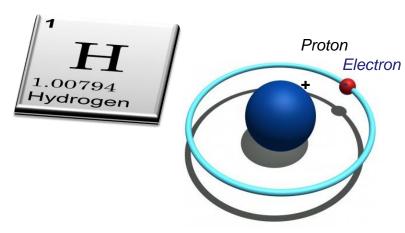


## Integration of Renewables, Hydrogen and Fuel cells can play key role in future energy infrastructure



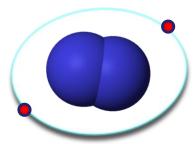
Enabling integration of renewable electrical energy and using H<sub>2</sub> for buffering/storage

## Facts on Hydrogen





stable molecule



#### Ideal energy carrier for conversion between Electrical and chemical energy storage

#### Hydrogen element:

- First element, lowest mass
- Ionisation possible separate proton/electron
- Most abundant element in Universe
- 0.14% present in earth crust, mostly bound as compound (e.g. water, methane)

#### Hydrogen molecule: $H_2$ (gas)

- Lightest gas: 14.4x lighter than air
- Odourless, colourless
- non-toxic, non-carcinogenic, non-corrosive
- Rare in earth atmosphere
- Flammable, forming pure water
- Highest combustion energy 141 MJ/kg
- Boiling point -253°C liquefiable @ -240°C 40bar

1 ppm

Energy density depends on pressure

4.5 MJ/L @ 690 bar

Slide obtained from HyET

#### Production of H2

#### Today mainly via CH4 reforming

#### **Today**

- Reforming of natural gas to H2
  - Hydrogenation of (heavy) oil fractions
  - Reactant in Chemical industry
  - → Huge amounts H2 produced, H2 pipelines between producers and users and between main (petro) chemical industrial area's
- Side product in Chemicals production
  - E.g. Chlor Alkali Industry and Chlorate Industry. 10-100% vented

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#### Production of H2 and H2 value

Future (also) via electrolysis, transport FC highest value

#### **Future**

- > Electrolysis using surplus electricity from wind and solar
  - Large scale energy storage needed. H2 is particularly suited for large scale long-term re-electrification applications. E.g. via H2 storage in salt caverns or NH3 storage.
- Reforming of bio natural gas

#### Value Hydrogen dependent on application

Transport with Fuel Cells > Chemical Use > Electrical Power Generation > Combustion

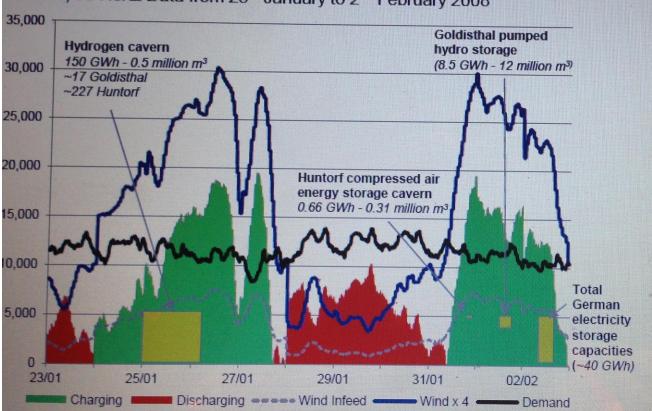
# Hydrogen (or NH3) storage will be key to create energy buffer needed

Time: the physical properties of hydrogen make it particularly suited to largescale, long-term re-electrification applications

Source: SBC energy institute

COMPARISON BETWEEN HYDROGEN AND CONVENTIONAL STORAGE - ILLUSTRATIVE SIMULATION

MW, 50 Hertz Data from 23rd January to 2nd February 2008



#### How to read this graph?

To simulate the storage potential that would result from a fourfold increase in wind capacity in northern Germany, the wind power that was actually generated and fed into the 50Hertz grid during the week of the 23/01-02/02/2008 (the dashed grey line) has been multiplied by four: this is the Wind x 4 blue line.

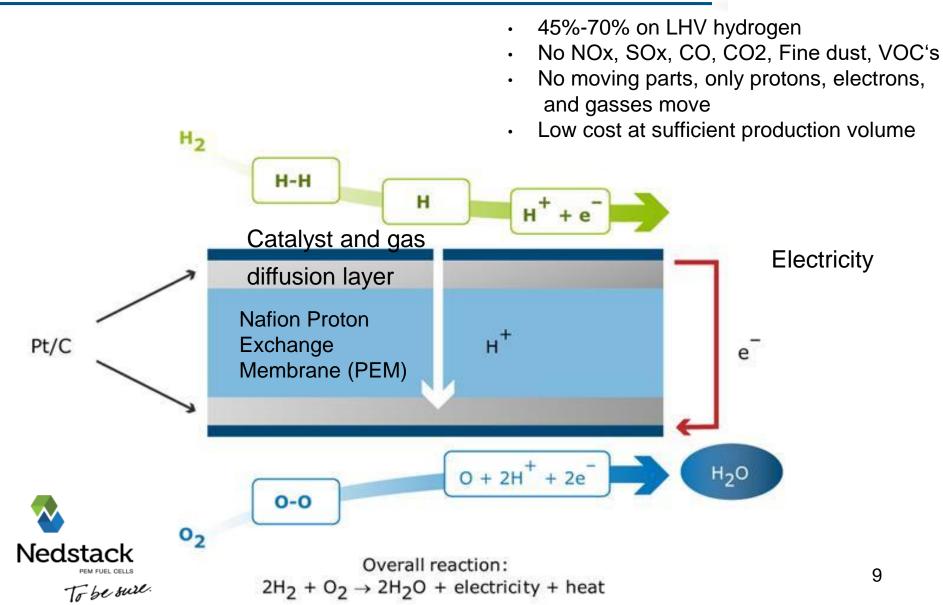
The difference between this simulated wind power production and power demand<sup>1</sup> (black line) in that week is depicted by the green and read areas:

- Green when simulated wind generation > demand, enabling storage charging
- Red when simulated wind generation < demand, requiring storage discharge</li>

Finally, the yellow rectangles depict, on the same scale the energy-storage capacity of a typical hydrogen cavern and of existing storage plants in Germany: a CAES cavern (Huntorf), a PHS<sup>2</sup> plant (Goldisthal), as well as the country's total electricity-storage capacity. The location of the yellow rectangles is unimportant.

#### PEM fuel cell (and electrolyzer) principle

Efficient, Clean, Silent, Low cost



#### PEM Fuel Cell Stack



- number of cells per stack: 75
- nominal stack voltage: 52.5 Volt
- nominal cell voltage: 700 mV
- cell voltage monitoring unit on top



Nedstack
PEM FUEL CELLS
To be sure.

# Case 1: PEM Fuel Cell range extenders for e-buses, a proven technology (www.hymove.nl)









## Electrical buses Zero Emission Mobility





#### Gives a more healthy environment

- √ no air polution
- ✓ no noice nuisance
- ✓ only emission: H<sub>2</sub>O

#### **Using sustainable energy sources**

- √ wind, solar, bio
- ✓ no CO<sub>2</sub>
- ✓ long term available
- √ 30% more energy efficient



#### Possible solutions

- Battery with overnight charging
   → Transportation in City only due to limited
   range of ~200 km/day
- Battery with opportunity charging
   → high infra costs, inflexible routes
- Trolley bus
   → high infra costs, inflexible routes
- Hydrogen PEM Fuel Cell
   → need of H2 source



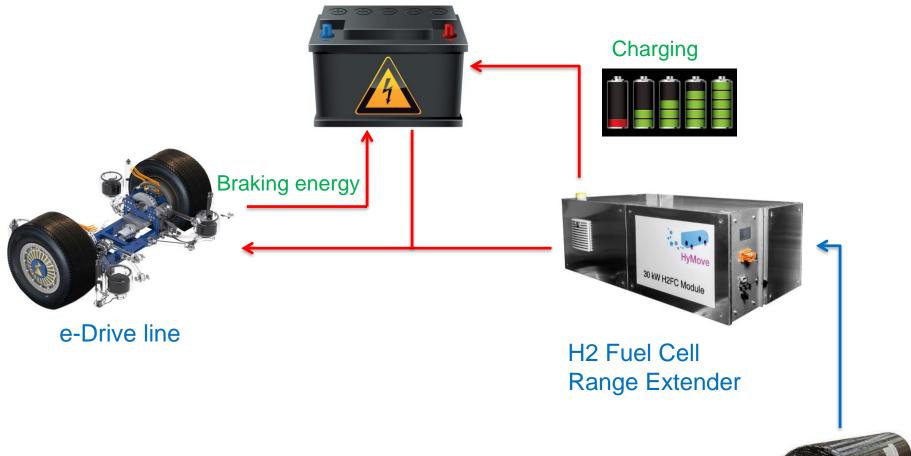






## System architecture Hybrid configuration, battery and fuel cell







### Possible solutions, Hydrogen Fuel Cell Hydrogen-Fuel Cell + small battery



#### FCEV with H2FC range extender

- √ using H2 infrastrucure
- ✓ overnight fuelling
- √ fuelling time ~ 10 minutes
- ✓ max range without fuelling upto ~ 500 km

→ Regional and City due to extended range

#### Pro's

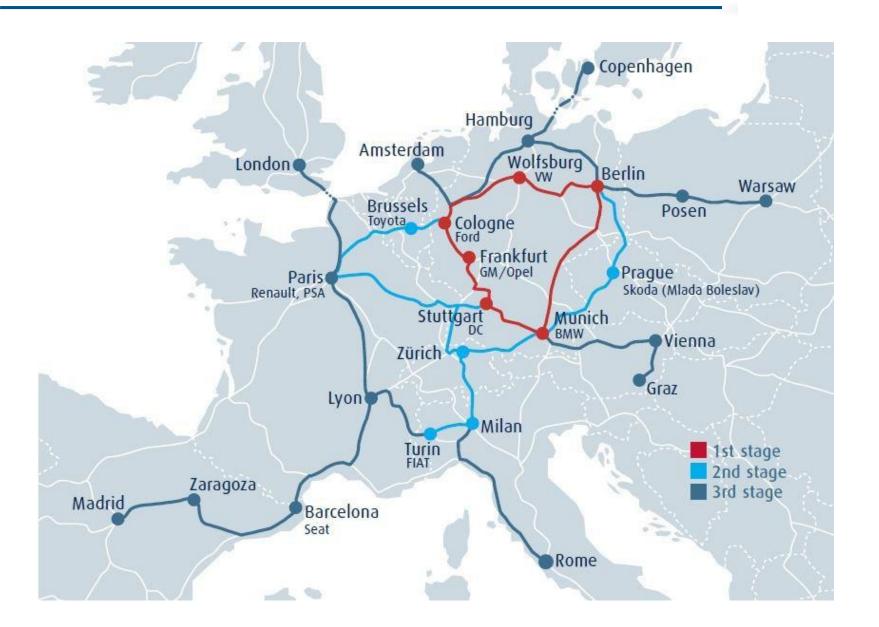
- ✓ up to ~500 km range
- ✓ flexible routes
- √ quick refuelling
- ✓ infrastucture easy to organize



#### Con's

- ✓ medium infra cost
- ✓ high cost of bus
- ✓ need constant source of H2

# European Hydrogen Highway for transportation purposes



## Hydogen more safe than gasolinie, CNG, etc H2 fire (left) versus Gasoline fire (right)



0 sec



3 sec



Photo 3 - Time: 1 min, 0 sec - Hydrogen flow is subsiding, view of gasoline vehicle begins to enlarge

60 sec

### References, proven reliability since 2011





#### **HyMove Proof of Concept bus**

1st generation range extender successful in operation from 2011 until 2013



### Powered by HyMove

**Solbus**, bus OEM in **Poland**, applies the HyMove H2FC range extender in their electric city bus "Powered by HyMove"



#### **Powered by HyMove**

**Ursus Bus**, bus OEM in **Poland**, applies the HyMove H2FC range extender in their electric city bus "Powered by HyMove"



#### First bus operational in Q3 2016

First bus in service from Q3 2016 with Syntus/Keolis in the Netherlands between Arnhem and Apeldoorn

## Case 2: Fuel Cell PEM power plants in the Chor-Alkali industry to convert waste H2

- ➤ 20% of a chlorine factory's electricity consumption can be recovered through fuel cells
- > Heat from the fuel cell can be used to preheat the brine.
- > Additional CA production in times of electricity shortage



2MWe + 1.5 MWth



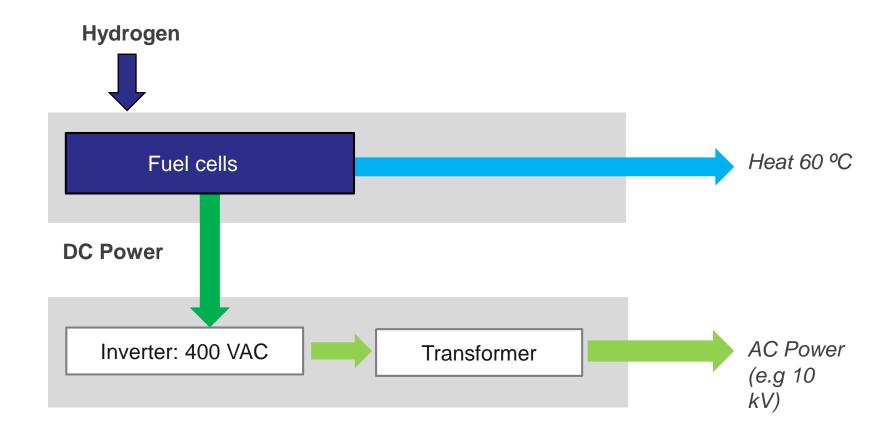








### Cogeneration of AC-power and heat System efficiency > 85% (55% electrical)







## AkzoNobel PEM Power Plant has proven reliability in practice since 2007



## AkzoNobel's Delfzijl PEM Power Plant

- ➤ So far >45,000 hours on grid
- ➤ Uptime >90%
- Stack lifetime in real life conditions has proven to be >20,000 hours
- Reliable operation, low maintenance costs
- Fully automated, remote monitoring and control
- ➤ Mobile set-up





# 1MWe PPP at Solvay has proven reliability and performance since start up in 2011







## New 2 MWe PEM Fuel Cell project\* at Ynnovate in China Operational Q3 2016

#### **Partners:**





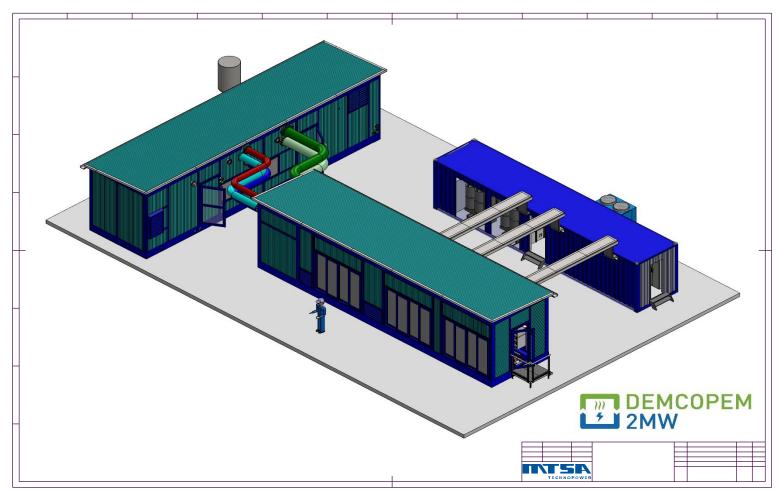






<sup>\*</sup> This project receives funding from the European Union's Seventh Framework Programme Fuel Cell and Hydrogen Joint Undertaking (FCH JU) under proposal nr. 621256 and project acronym DEMCOPEM-2MW.

### Lay-out 2 MWe PEM power plant







### Construction







## Transport to site

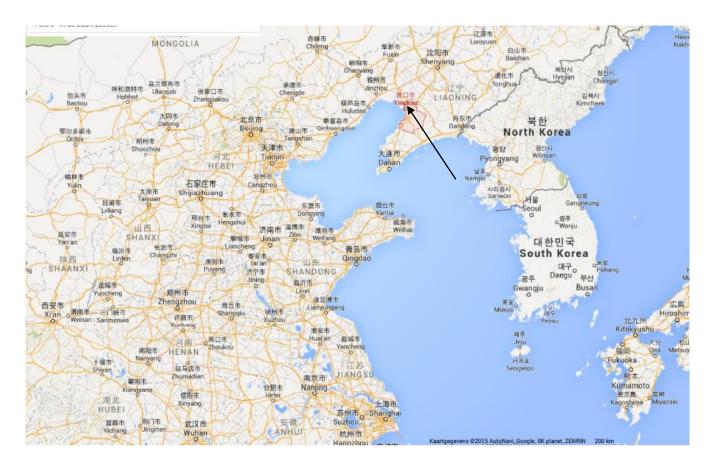








### Ynnovate, Yingkou, Liaoning, China







### Ynnovate site







## Fuel cell and hydrogen joint undertaking 7 years EU supported program of ~ 1,5 billion Euro



#### **Objective**

Implement a programme at EU level to develop a portfolio of clean and efficient solutions that exploit the properties of *hydrogen as an energy carrier* and *fuel cells* as energy converters to the point of market readiness by 2020

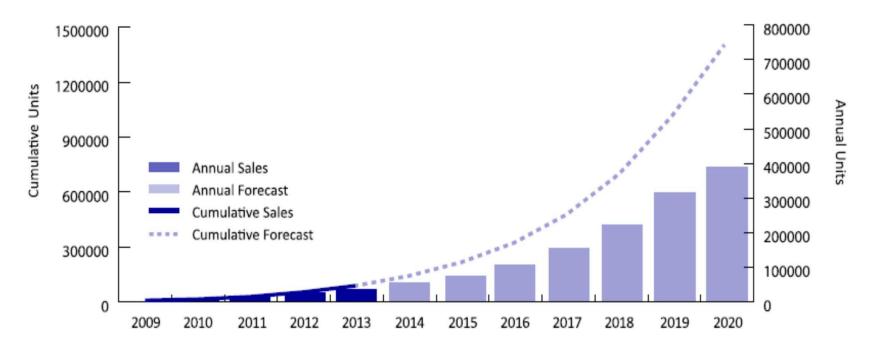
#### Strategy and focus

Industry led integrated FCH program with of applied research, development and demonstration activities Focus on low-carbon *energy and transport systems*, creating leading position of Europe's FCH industry and safeguarding and creating jobs.

Internet: <a href="http://www.fch-ju.eu">http://www.fch-ju.eu</a>

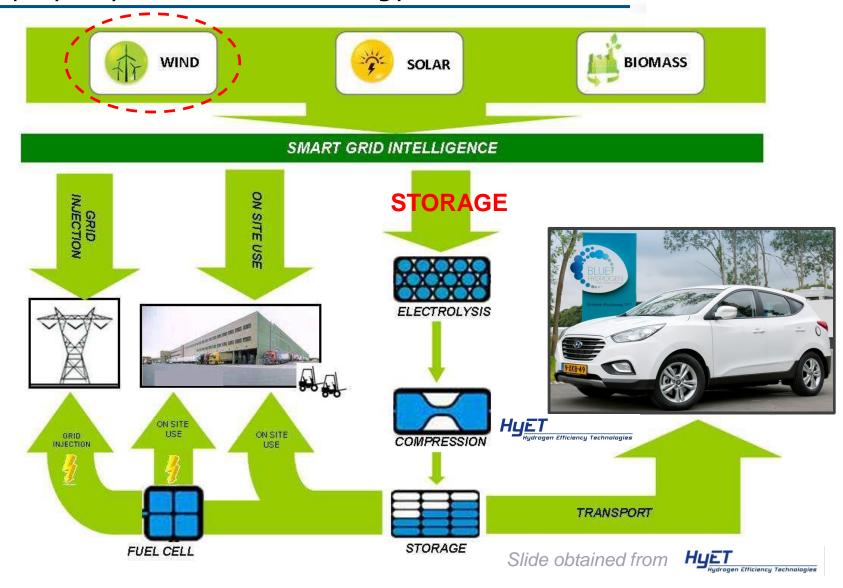
## Where does the journey go to? Volumes will bring price PEM fuel cells down

- Transportation sector has chosen for PEM Fuel Cells!!
  - Hyunday, Toyota, Honda, Mercedes and ?
- H2 refilling station network steadily growing
- Large stationary PEM PP gets mature



Forecast Ene-Farm deployment 2015–2020 based on announced government targets

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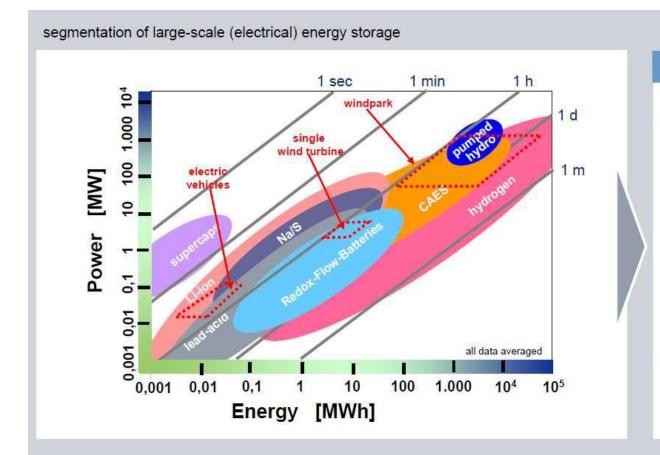






## Backup

## The key problem: storage



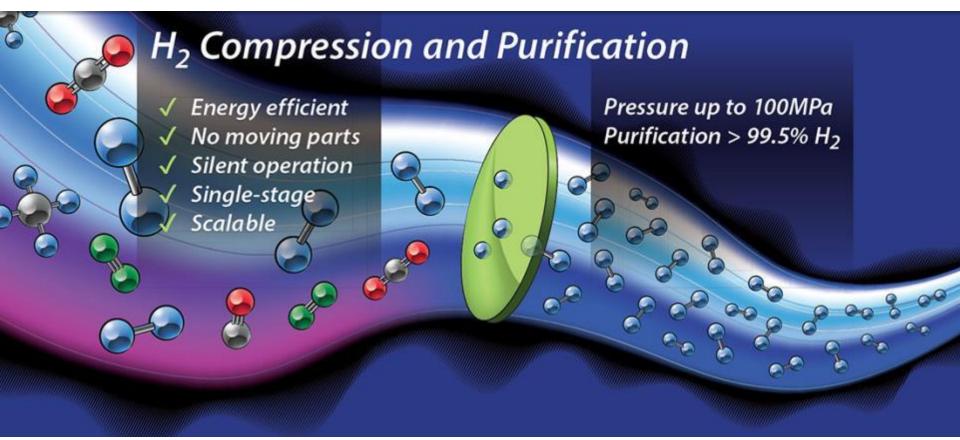
#### key statements:

- Battery storage applications are limited in the hour range
- Energy storage >100 MW can only be addressed by Pumped Hydro, Compressed Air (CAES) and Hydrogen
- The potential to extend pumped hydro capacities is very limited
- CAES has limitations in operational flexibility and capacity



Hydrogen is the only option to cover energy capacities > 10 GWh







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## Mission & Core Competence

- Mission: Develop innovative, efficient, silent technologies enabling Purification and Compression of hydrogen gas for energy storage.
- Core competence: Our "pumping heart" achieved 100MPa pressure thanks to our bespoke membrane and supporting stack and system.

