

# DECENTRALIZED H<sub>2</sub>-BASED ELECTRICITY STORAGE

H<sub>2</sub> applications for power generation

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# INTRODUCTION

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# ENERGY TRANSITION CHALLENGES & SOLUTIONS

Energy transition is a marathon, not a sprint!

CHALLENGES

## 1 Coal phase-out & increasing demand



SOLUTIONS

Expand renewables

Increase energy efficiency

## 2 Volatility vs. grid stability



Flexible, dispatchable gas power plants (ideally CHP)

Large & seasonal energy storage

## 3 Infrastructure change



Flexibility at point of use (demand side response)

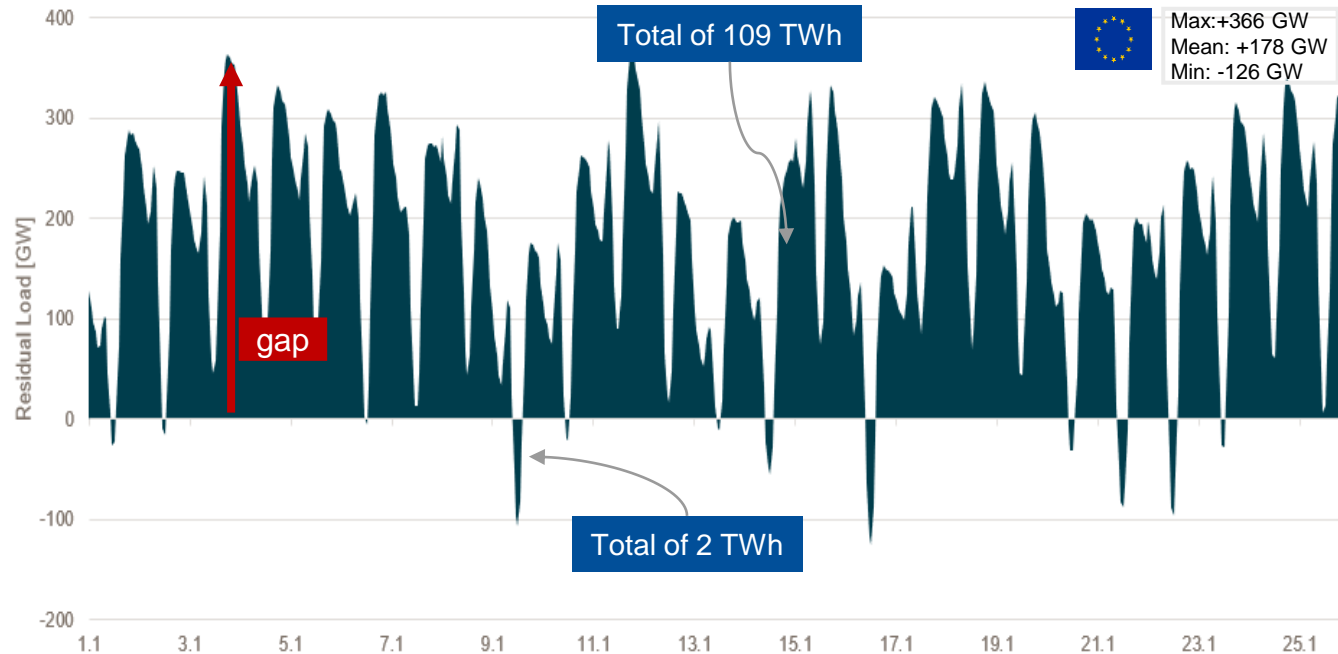
Enable smooth transition

# RESIDUAL LOAD REQUIREMENTS IN EU 2050

## The winter gap

Distributed Energy and 2050 – EU-27

Residual loads in the EU-27 in 2050 during a 3-week-period in January



Source: Frontier Economics based on TYNDP data and weather year 2010

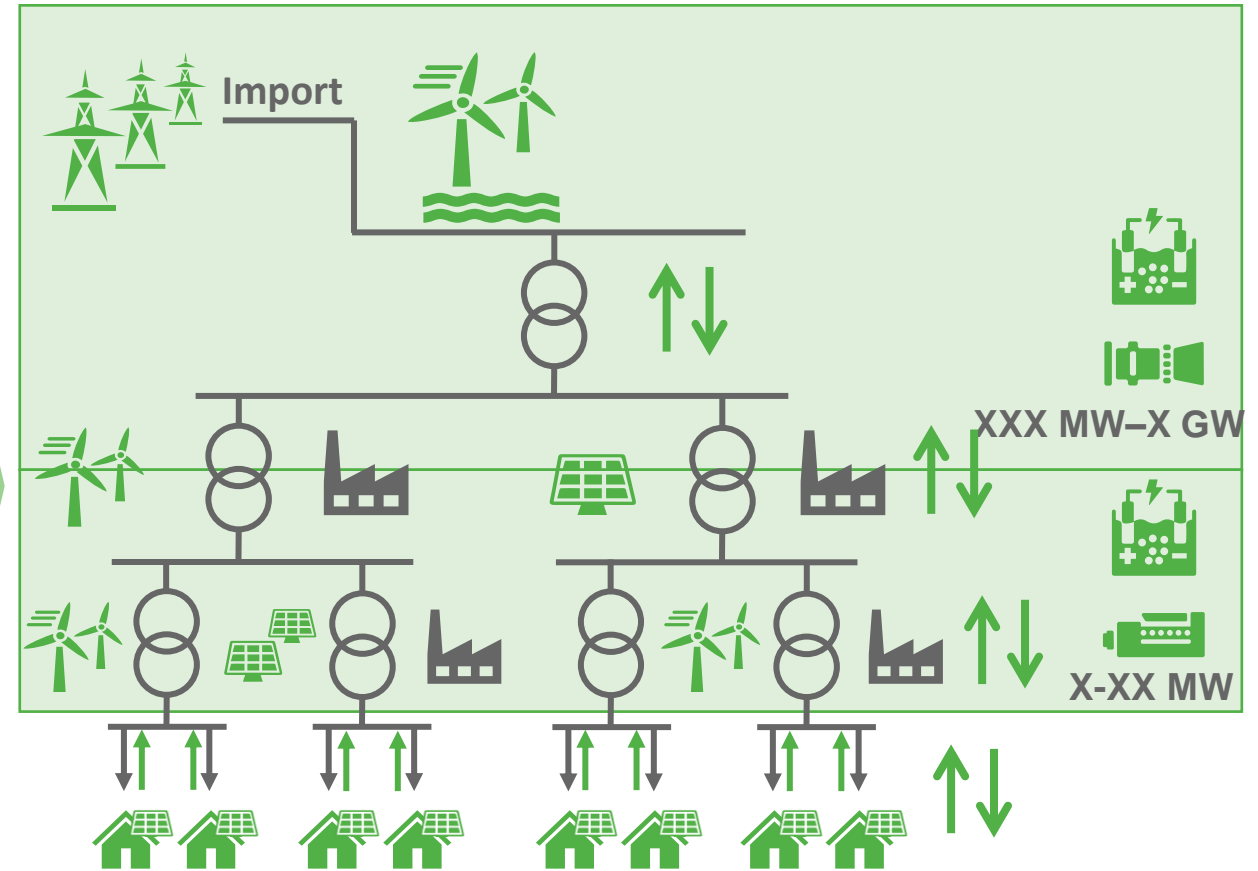
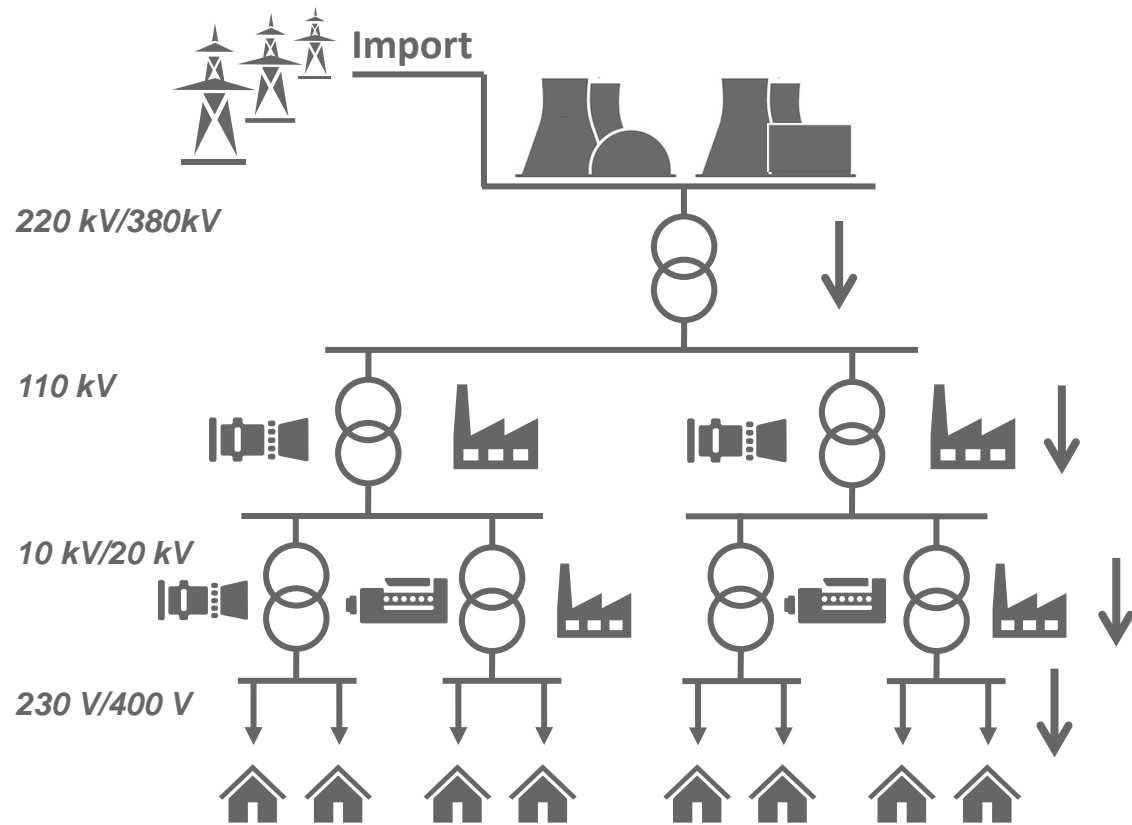
## Typical 3 weeks in January 2050:

- 109 TWh is required as residual load
- 2 TWh are available only as surplus energy to re-load batteries
- **366 GW** is the maximum residual load needed to fill a gap.
- 35 GW can be provided from demand side management
- 59 GW from pumped hydro

Even with a perfect grid (Europe as one big “copper-plate”) there will be **longer periods with not enough renewable electricity generated to meet demand**

# THE NEW ROLE OF THE POWER GRID AT DISTRIBUTION GRID LEVEL - TRANSITION FROM SUPPLY GRID TO FEED-IN GRID

Need for decentralized storage/balancing capacity



# TRANSITIONING TO 100% RENEWABLE GASES

Jenbacher engines already work with a variety of energy sources

Today

45% ← EU → 55%



Pipeline Gas



Climate-neutral  
gases

Today's mix  
of energy sources



Tomorrow



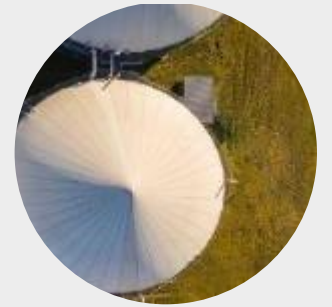
Biomethane or  
synthetic methane  
CHP



Biomethane &  
CO<sub>2</sub> usage



Hydrogen  
CHP/CCHP

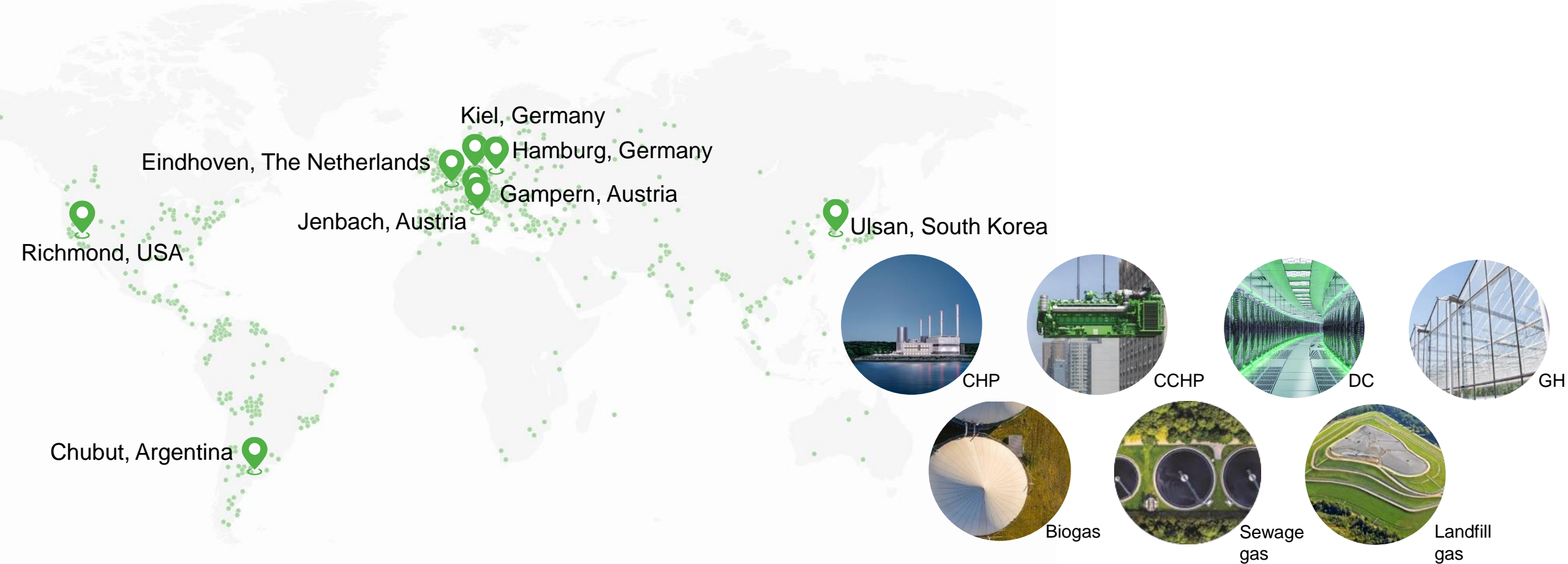


Biogas  
(Flex-Biogas)  
CHP

Carbon-neutral fuels  
&  
green hydrogen

# JENBACHER ... A COMPREHENSIVE POWER GENERATION NETWORK

Supporting H<sub>2</sub> applications worldwide



37 GW / 25,000 engines delivered; 55% of engines in Europe, 55% thereof running on renewable gas;  
12,000 engines digitally connected to myPlant



# H<sub>2</sub> APPLICATIONS FOR POWER GENERATION

## First H<sub>2</sub> movers



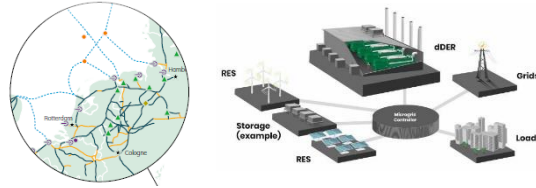
## Highly developed H<sub>2</sub> infrastructure

### Datacenter



Plant size: medium (1 to ~100 MW)  
Operation: back-up  
H<sub>2</sub> consumption: low  
H<sub>2</sub> supply: local storage

### H<sub>2</sub>-Hub & Microgrids



Plant size: medium (1 to ~50 MW)  
Operation: balancing  
H<sub>2</sub> consumption: medium  
H<sub>2</sub> supply: local storage / pipeline

### RES balancing



Plant size: medium (1 to ~100 MW)  
Operation: balancing  
H<sub>2</sub> consumption: low / medium  
H<sub>2</sub> supply: pipeline

### Industrial H<sub>2</sub>



Plant size: small (1 to 100 MW)  
Operation: onsite power  
H<sub>2</sub> consumption: medium  
H<sub>2</sub> supply: from local processes

### Islands



Plant size: small/medium (1 to 50 MW)  
Operation: baseload / balancing  
H<sub>2</sub> consumption: medium  
H<sub>2</sub> supply: local storage / pipeline

### Flexible CHP



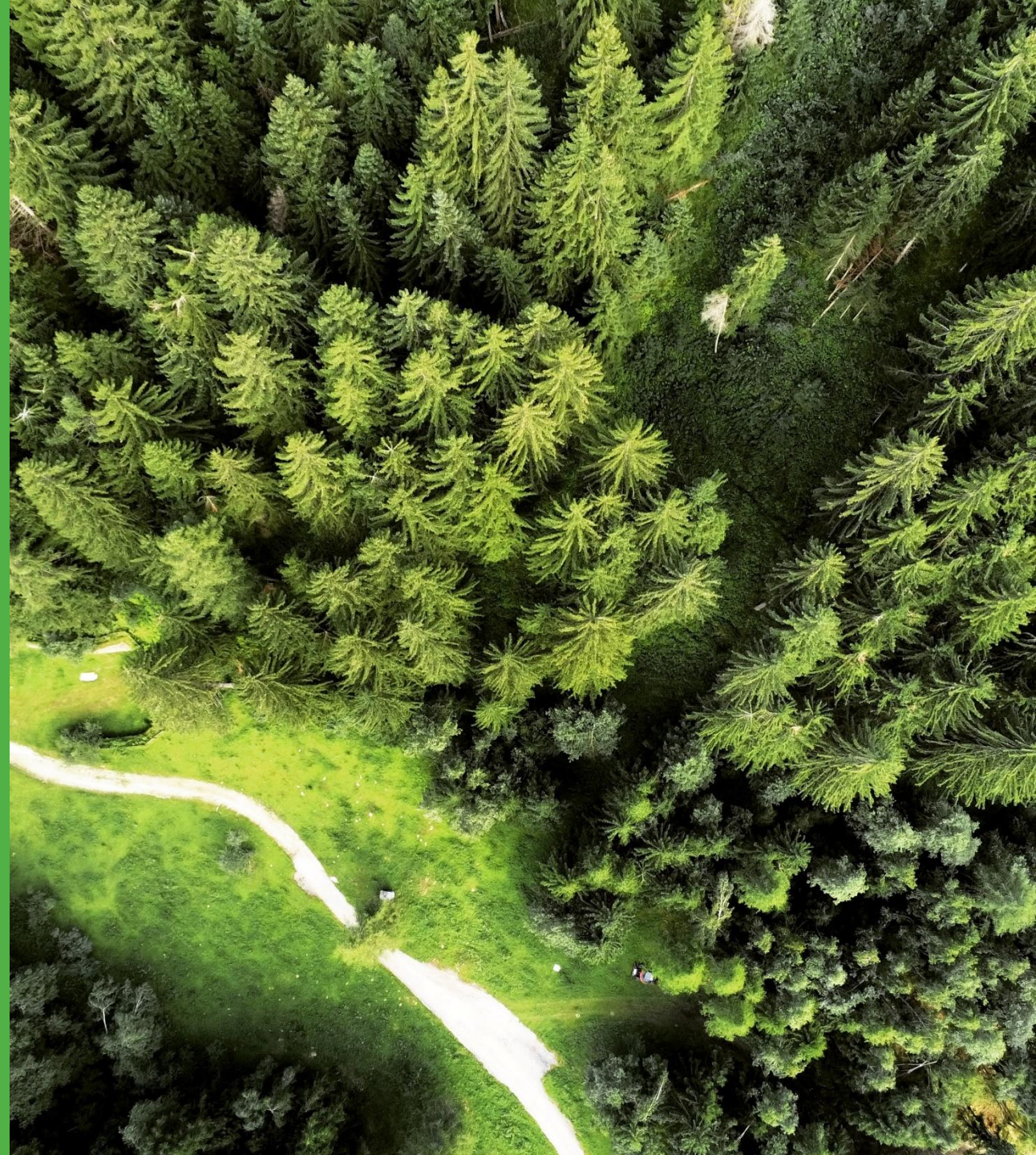
Plant size: medium (1 to ~200 MW)  
Operation: balancing  
H<sub>2</sub> consumption: medium  
H<sub>2</sub> supply: pipeline



# PROJECT EXAMPLES

Case studies

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# PROVEN EXPERIENCE WITH HYDROGEN & HYDROGEN MIXTURES



>95% H<sub>2</sub>  
as fuel

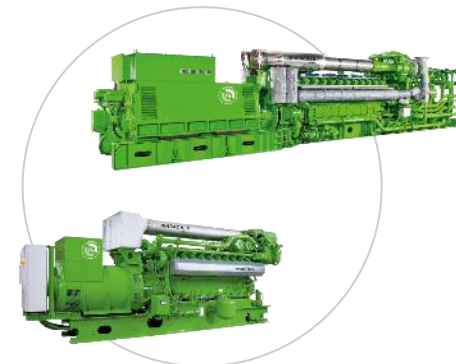
4 x 200,000 oph



CO<sub>2</sub>  
neutral



Traditional gas /  
hydrogen mixture



Process gas (Krems)  
COD 1996

Syngas (Mutsu)  
COD 2003

Traditional Gas (Hychico)  
COD 2008

Pure Hydrogen  
2021+

H<sub>2</sub>: ~15-17 vol%  
CH<sub>4</sub>: ~1.5 vol%  
LHV: ~0.5 kWh/m<sup>3</sup>

H<sub>2</sub>: ~30-40 vol%  
CO: ~25-30 vol%  
LHV: ~2.5 kWh/m<sup>3</sup>

H<sub>2</sub>: ~0-42 vol%  
CH<sub>4</sub>: ~100-58 vol%  
LHV: ~10-7 kWh/m<sup>3</sup>

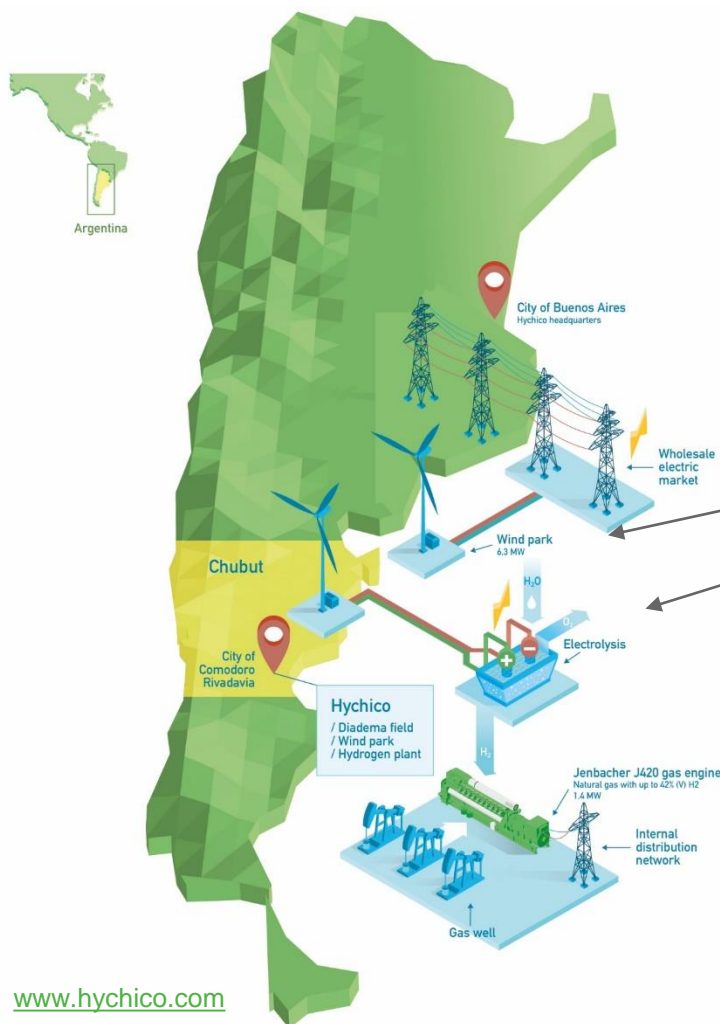
H<sub>2</sub>: ... 100 vol%  
Pipeline Gas or Inerts  
LHV: ~3 kWh/m<sup>3</sup>

Commercial operation  
(Challenges: gas quality variations)

Future

More than 250 MW installed with syngas / process gases, 90 projects, 28 countries

# HYCHICO, CHUBUT, ARGENTINA



[www.hychico.com](http://www.hychico.com)

## Hychico, Diadema Wind Park and Hydrogen Plant, Chubut Province, Argentina

### About the region:

Currently large oil & gas fields

2,000 GW wind power potential, compared to 600 GW global installations today

Ideal place for exporting green H<sub>2</sub> and e-fuels in the future

### Green H<sub>2</sub> demo :

6.3 MW wind park with **54.9% CF (2017)**, avg. >50%

0.8 MW of Electrolyser (2 units), 120 Nm<sup>3</sup>/hr H<sub>2</sub>

H<sub>2</sub> with high purity (99.998%), O<sub>2</sub> for local market

Underground H<sub>2</sub> storage research

### J420 converts H<sub>2</sub> back to power

Output 1,415 kW<sub>el</sub>

Main Fuel: NG MN >90

Operation with **controlled H<sub>2</sub> blending**

0-27 v% H<sub>2</sub> 1,415 kW

28-42 v% H<sub>2</sub> 1,415 to 1,180 kW

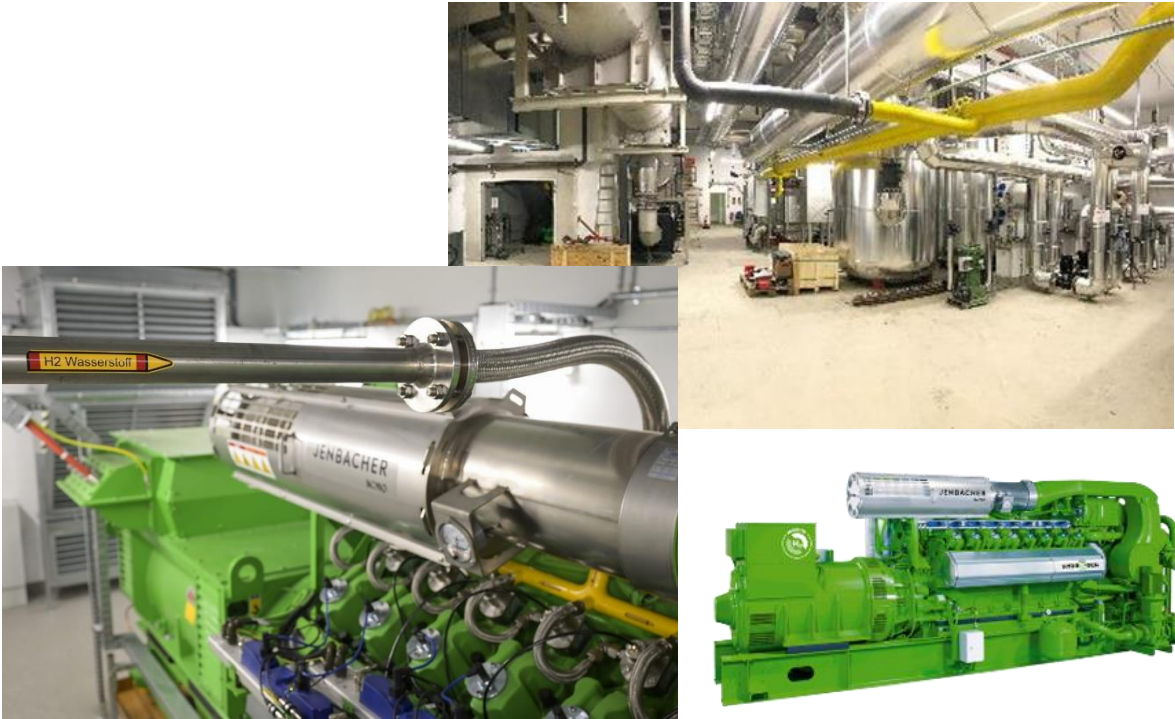




# HANSEWERK NATUR - OTHMARSCHEN, HAMBURG, GER

## Retrofit Demo 2020: First MW gas engine with field conversion from natural gas to hydrogen operation

J416	Pipeline Gas (design 2019)	20%v H <sub>2</sub> admixing example (after retrofit)	100% H <sub>2</sub> operation (after retrofit)
Electrical output	999 kW	999 kW	>600 kW
Electrical efficiency	42%	~42%	~40%
Total efficiency	93.5%	~93.5%	~93%
NO <sub>x</sub> emissions	<250 mg/Nm <sup>3</sup> @ 5%O <sub>2</sub>	<250 mg/Nm <sup>3</sup> @ 5%O <sub>2</sub>	<100 mg/Nm <sup>3</sup> @ 5%O <sub>2</sub>
CO <sub>2</sub> emissions	216 g/kWh <sub>el</sub>	201 g/kWh <sub>el</sub> (-7%)	0 g/kWh <sub>el</sub> (-100%)



### Technology

- Port injection (gas pressure 8+bar)
- Cylinder selective combustion control
- Wastegate for turbo charger

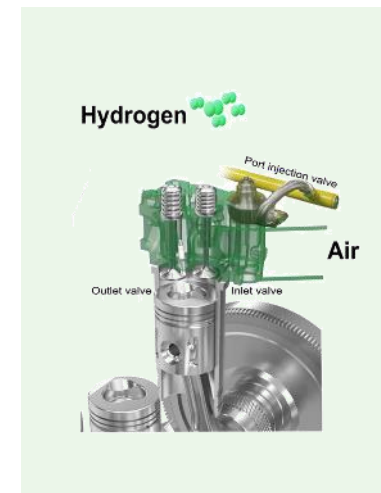
# HYOSUNG, ULSAN, SOUTH KOREA

## First 100% hydrogen engine for the Asia-pacific region

J420	Pipeline Gas	100% H <sub>2</sub>
Electrical output	1.060 kW	1,060 kW
Electrical efficiency	38.4%	~38.4%
Total efficiency	~89%	~85%
NO <sub>x</sub> emissions	<250 mg/Nm <sup>3</sup> @ 5%O <sub>2</sub>	<100 mg/Nm <sup>3</sup> @ 5%O <sub>2</sub>
CO <sub>2</sub> emissions	226 g/kWh <sub>el</sub>	0 g/kWh <sub>el</sub>
H <sub>2</sub> consumption		~83 kg/h

### Largest 60 Hz H2-Engine IPP in Asia

- Hydrogen as a byproduct from chemical production at Hyosung
- Hyosung Heavy Industry demonstrating the use of hydrogen for an IPP plant as an industrial application
- H2-Engine delivered in 2023
- H2-Engine installation and service provided by INNIO Group's authorized Jenbacher distributor RNP



# NORTH C DATACENTERS, EINDHOVEN, NL

## First data centre with H<sub>2</sub>-Engines for emergency back-up

### NorthC Datacenters

- Small scale regional DC in Netherlands, Germany & Switzerland
- 15 local DC's, whereof 10 in NL
- Carbon neutral by 2030
- DC Groningen (2022) first with standby H<sub>2</sub> Fuel Cell
- DC Eindhoven (2023)** first with 6x INNIO's Jenbacher JGC420 H<sub>2</sub>-Engines
- Going forward ... new and replacement standby power based on H<sub>2</sub>

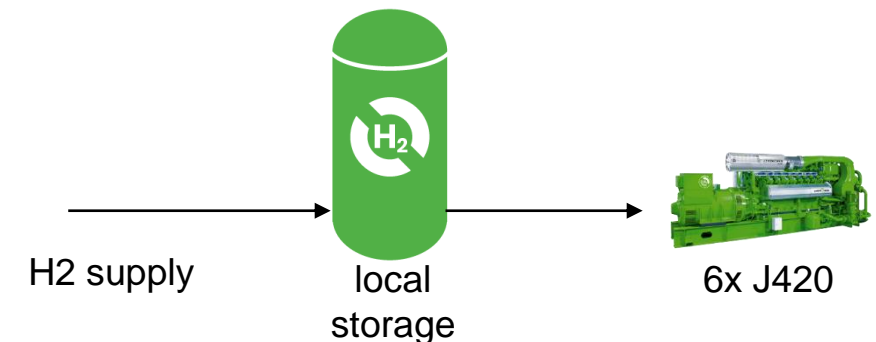
### Datacenter Eindhoven – 6 H<sub>2</sub>-Engines

- 6 MWe ... standby power based on **6 x 1 MWe H<sub>2</sub>-Engines** (JGC420)
- Replacing concept with multiple 1,5 – 2,0 MWe standby diesel generators
- Re-designing concept for UPS & Cooling/chillers
- Dual fuel H<sub>2</sub>-Engines (pipeline gas as back-up fuel)
- H<sub>2</sub> as main fuel from local H<sub>2</sub> storage until H<sub>2</sub> pipeline is available
- Pipeline gas as back-up fuel in case of longer grid failures

<https://www.northcdatacenters.com/en/about-us/sustainable-data-centers/>

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Containerized solution for Jenbacher  
Type 4 engines - example only for  
illustration purposes





# RAG UNDERGROUND HYDROGEN STORAGE, AUT

First of its kind in Europe - world's first 100% hydrogen storage facility in a porous underground reservoir

## Summer operation

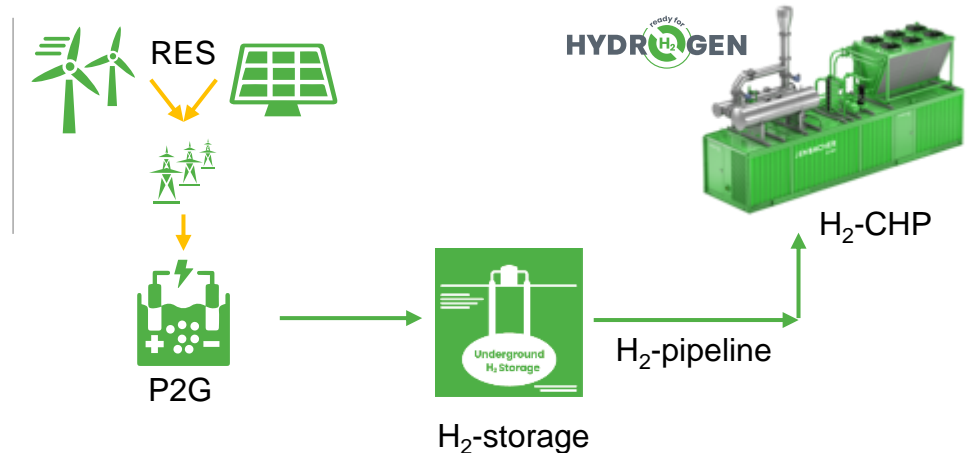
- Solar PV overcapacity
- 2 MW electrolyzer for green H<sub>2</sub> production
- H<sub>2</sub> compression

## Seasonal storage

- 1.2 mio. Nm<sup>3</sup> H<sub>2</sub> storage in modified NG storage
- Gas chromatograph at H<sub>2</sub> discharge
- 8 km H<sub>2</sub>-pipeline from H<sub>2</sub>-storage to CHP unit
- Up to 600 Nm<sup>3</sup>/h H<sub>2</sub>-pipeline capacity

## Winter operation

- J412 containerized CHP
- 530 kW electrical output and 550 kW heat output
- 100% H<sub>2</sub> and up to 40% NG / 60% H<sub>2</sub> mixture
- Commissioning date early 2024
- ~2,000 bis 4,000 oh/yr



# GREEN HYDROGEN INVESTMENT IN JENBACH

## H2-engine development

### H<sub>2</sub> infrastructure investment

#### Project

- Project start Q4 2021
- Commissioning 2025

#### H<sub>2</sub> production

- Nom. el. power 2 x 1 MWe
- H<sub>2</sub>-production 35 kg/h total
- Annual capacity 200 – 300 t/a

#### H<sub>2</sub> storage

- H<sub>2</sub> tank capacity 1,000 kg
- Pressure 500 bar
- Time to re-charge tank ~23 h



~~Gray hydrogen price delivered at site @ 10 – 20 €/kg~~

Green hydrogen production at site @ 6 – 8 €/kg

# KIEL PLANNING FOR HYDROGEN

SW Kiel and INNIO announced to convert 190 MW CHP from pipeline gas to hydrogen by 2035



2019



20 x J920 GAS ENGINE

5 min

from 0 to  
100% Load

2035



20 x J920 H2-ENGINE

## Old: HARD COAL PLANT

323 MW	net electric output
295 MW	heat output
>50 %	total efficiency

### Inflexibel in operation

Design	low # of starts
AGE:	~50 yrs

## New: PIPELINE GAS

190.4 MW	plant net el. output
191.8 MW	thermal output
91 %	total efficiency

### Highly flexible operation

5 min.	start up time
4 MW	minimum load

## Future: HYDROGEN

target	2035
balancing renewables	
high efficiency H2-CHP	

### Highly flexible operation

5 min.	start up time
4 MW	minimum load



“READY FOR H<sub>2</sub>”

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# READY FOR H<sub>2</sub> – WHAT DOES IT MEAN?

## INNIO Definition



All new Jenbacher engines are "Ready for H<sub>2</sub>".

In general, „Ready for H<sub>2</sub>“ Jenbacher units can be converted to operate on up to 100% hydrogen in the future. Details on the cost and timeline for a future conversion may vary and need to be clarified individually.

Furthermore, models can be offered with the option to operate with up to **25% (vol) H<sub>2</sub>** in the pipeline gas.

**Type 4** engines are offered for **100% H<sub>2</sub>** operation.

**Type 6** engines will be offered for **100% H<sub>2</sub>** operation in 2025

Jenbacher technology then covers the full range of **500 kW to 4 MW** of hydrogen products.

# “READY FOR H<sub>2</sub>” — JENBACHER PRODUCT PORTFOLIO

Available products today and tomorrow

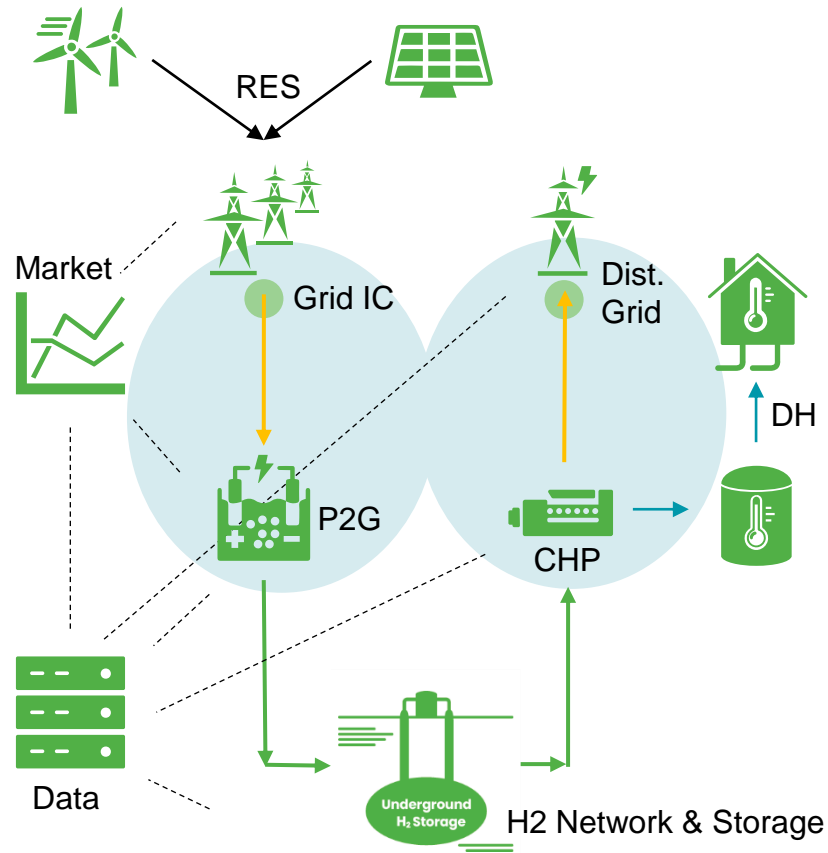
Power Output (kWel)									A		B	C
Generator Output @ 50 Hz operating on pipeline gas									H <sub>2</sub> in pipeline gas		Pipeline gas/H <sub>2</sub> engine	Pure H <sub>2</sub> engine
0	1,000	2,000	3,000	4,000	5,000	[...]	10,000		<5% (vol)	<25% (vol) <sup>1</sup> optional	0–100% (vol)	100%
Type 9						J920 FleXtra			✓	✓	25%	2025+
Type 6			J612 J616 J620 J624						✓	✓	60%	2025
Type 4		J412 J416 J420							✓	✓	100%	✓
Type 3		J312 J316 J320							✓	✓	60%	2025+
Type 2		J208							✓	✓	60%	2025+

<sup>1</sup> Subject to required modifications for the certification of the fuel gas components — a modification of the maintenance schedule for such components may be required



# H<sub>2</sub>-BASED ELECTRICITY STORAGE

## Seasonal electricity storage



### Seasonal H<sub>2</sub> storage:

- allows TWh storage capacity
- needs H<sub>2</sub> underground storage
- needs a H<sub>2</sub> network

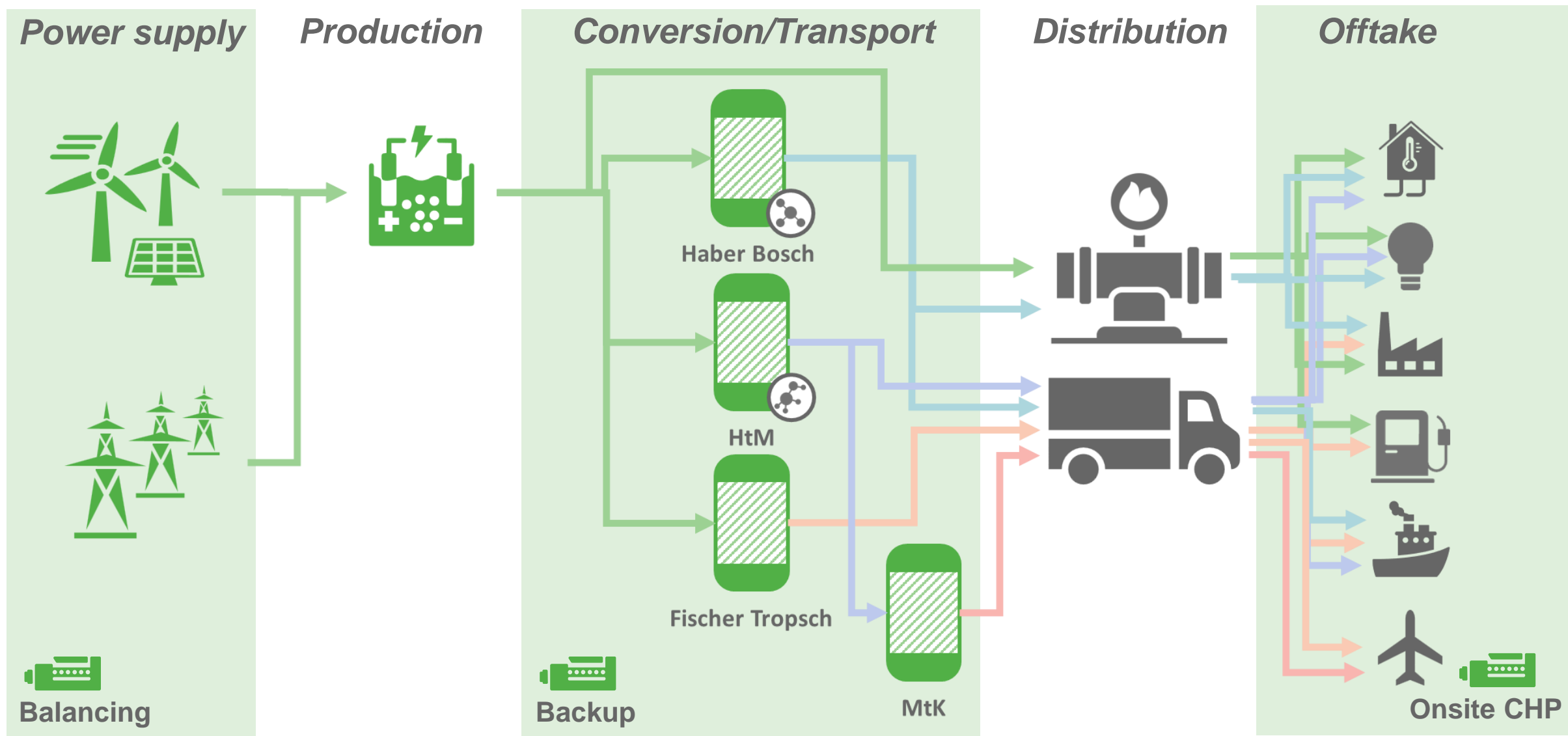
- P2G at oversupply of RES (mainly in summer)
- G2P at undersupply of RES (mainly in winter)

### Semi-decentralized H<sub>2</sub>-CHP (90% efficiency)

- ✓ Allows the use of heat for district heating
- ✓ Avoids electrical grid bottlenecks
- ✓ Ideal for cities, microgrids and hubs

The solution for a fully decarbonized energy system with an interconnected H<sub>2</sub> grid

# FUEL FLEXIBLE H<sub>2</sub> (-DERIVATES) POWER SOLUTIONS FOR P2X VALUE CHAIN



# TÜV SÜD CONCEPT CERTIFICATE – H<sub>2</sub> READINESS

INNIO Group is the first company worldwide to offer energy solutions based on the TÜV SÜD-certified "H<sub>2</sub> readiness" concept

Concept for new engine plants and for converting existing plants to run on 100% hydrogen.

Certification offers municipalities and companies a high level of investment security due to subsequent convertibility of the engine.

Bridge until relevant norms and standards for the planning and construction of hydrogen engine power plants are available.

INNIO Group received certificate for Jenbacher Type 4 and 6 of the Jenbacher hydrogen product line in 2023.

Certification covers all relevant components and systems - both for new plants and for plants already in operation.



## EU Clean Hydrogen Alliance roadmap on standardisation

DocsRoom - European Commission (europa.eu)





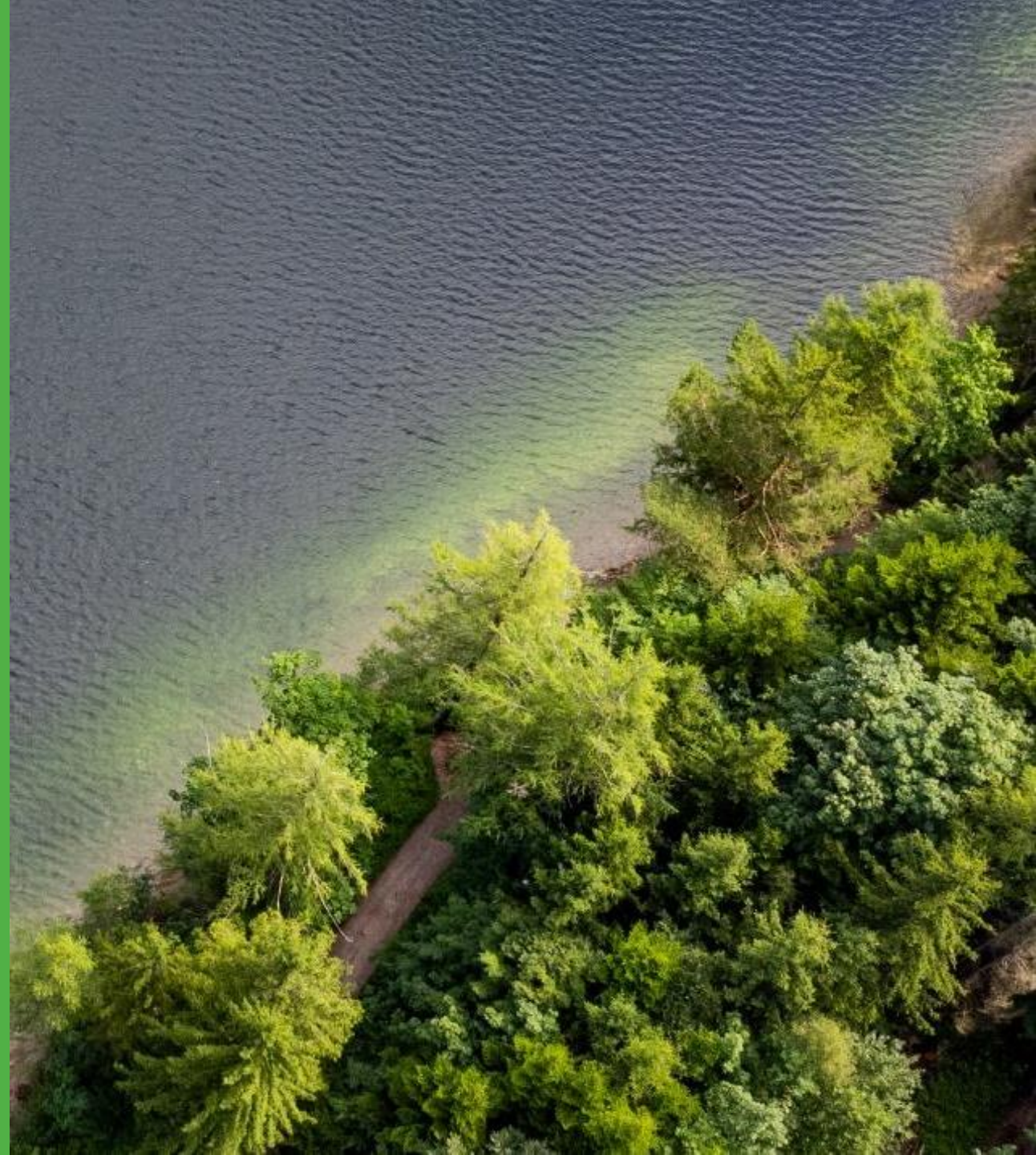
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# Decentralized H<sub>2</sub>-based electricity Storage

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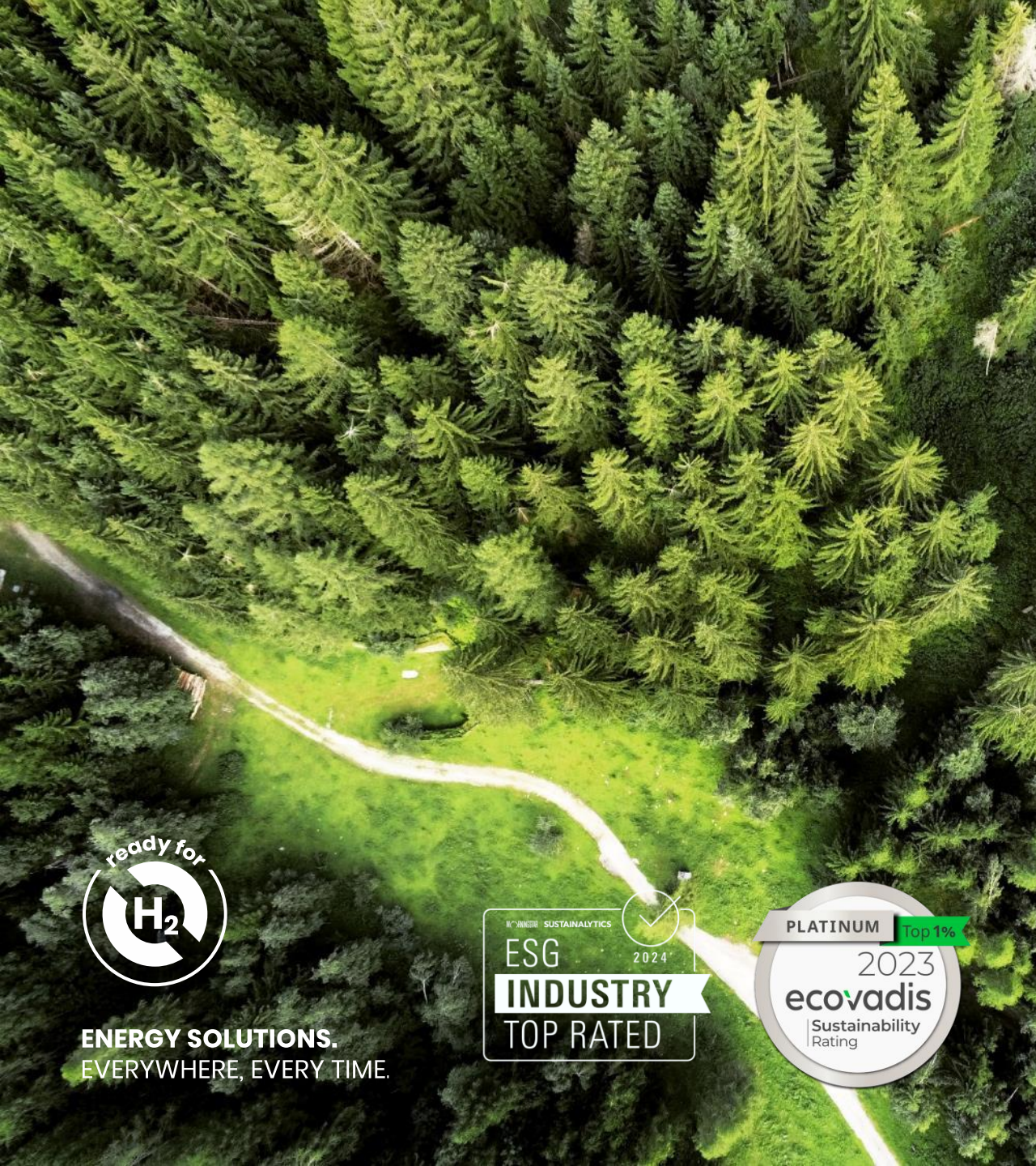
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