# Ammonia For Cost-Effective Storage And Distribution Of Large Quantities Of Renewable Energy

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# **ENGIE × Green Hydrogen**

167,000 employees

€60.6 billion in revenue

250 000 km of distribution grid worldwide

37 000 km of transport grid worldwide

58 GW of natural gas capacity

25 GW of renewable capacity

105 GW of installed power capacity

#### Large scale industrial projects

- Ammonia
- Methanol Refineries
- Mining

#### **Decentralized projects**

Light and heavy-duty mobility

#### Pilot projects/ new usages

- H<sub>2</sub> injection
- Trains
- Mining trucks
- Power production

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4GW of Hydrogen production capacity 700 km of H2 pipeline & 1 TWh storage capacity 100 refueling stations

Yuri: ammonia

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# **Electrofuels allows new energy corridors and energy supply diversification**

Hydrogen and electrofuels are key for new energy corridors and energy supply diversification through international trading



New energy corridor with countries showing electricity economic potential lower than 30€/MWh with cumulative load hours higher than 5000 hours are possible!

# In a longer term vision, Electrofuels may promote far offshore wind energy

#### **Key Insights**

- Estimated European potential of offshore wind resource ranges between 600 and 1,350 GW for a cost of 50 to 65€/MWh.
- 78% of electrons planned for green hydrogen comes from offshore wind!
- By 2030, the potential of offshore wind could possibly represent between 80% and 180% of the EU's total electricity demand.
- Higher technical potential is located at >20 km, this creates high associated transmission over-costs if undersea cables are used.





## **Electrofuels will support RE penetration through long term storage and dispatch, reducing curtailment**



Need for energy storage in provision of ancillary services – Source: ENTSO-E, Roland Berger 2017



#### Curtailed renewable electricity in Germany – Source: Tractebel ENGIE 2018

EU countries with large shares of intermittent renewables and low interconnection capacity will heavily rely on the adoption of energy storage solutions.

For instance, Germany relies on 40 GWh of pumped-storage power as the only seasonal storage solution. So far, the government was compensating RES plants for curtailed energy. Compensation payments amounted to 478M€ in 2017 alone.

## A possible role of ammonia in the future European green energy system



Ammonia loading facilities
Ammonia unloading port facilities



Ammonia shipping infrastructure, including a heat map of liquid ammonia carriers and existing ammonia port facilities – Source: The Royal Society, 2020

# Long distance hydrogen transportation : case study in Morocco

- Four different hydrogen carriers are considered (Liquid hydrogen, LOHC, NH<sub>3</sub>, e-methane) : hydrogenated, transported and dehydrogenated except for SNG
- Electricity is produced from PV or from hybrid PV and wind electrical sourcing in three different city in Morocco : Essaouira, Agadir and Tarfaya
- Discharged energy cost are calculated for 3 time frame : 2030,2040 and 2050 respectively for 5, 10 and 20 TWh equivalent





## **Electricity cost and profile in Morocco**

	2030	2040	2050
PV	42 €/MWh	32 €/MWh	23 €/MWh
Wind	42 €/MWh	34/MWh	29/MWh
Grid	>100 €/MWh	>100 €/MWh	>100 €/MWh
ELY	450€/kW	300€/kW	300€/kW

#### Sources :

- PV : "Current and Future cost of photovoltaics" Fraunhofer ISE
- Eolien : 2009 NREL "Wind LCOE" for IEA, "Forecasting wind energy cost ans cost drivers" IEA Wind + USDoE June 2016
- Grid : Enerdata, internal estimate



# **Electrofuels production cost – Various solutions and no clear winner**



- H<sub>2</sub> production cost is predominant with strong effect of hybridation on levelized cost of discharge energy
- Apparently, LH<sub>2</sub> and NH<sub>3</sub> are the most promising. Results must be considered with caution since maturity levels of these various solutions are very different
- While hybridation allows high renewable load factor improving economics; E-Fuel synthesis loop flexibility and cracking technologies remain to be studied and improved.

## **Green ammonia competitivity suffers from lower flexibility of converters and compressors**



*Current and future role of Haber–Bosch ammonia in a carbon-free energy landscape.* Collin Smith, Alfred K. Hil and Laura Torrente-Murciano 28th December 2019



From Micro to Mega How the green ammonia concept adapts Ammonia = Hydrogen 2.0 Conference | Aug 2019 | Rhys Tucker and Karan Bagga thyssenkrupp Industrial Solutions

## **ARENHA : from power to ammonia to energy discharge Flexible ammonia synthesis at lower pressure**





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This project has received funding from the European Union's Horizon 2020 research and innovation programme under grant agreement No 862482.

## Ammonia cracking technologies are needed to unleash the full potential of ammonia as energy vector

#### **Decentralized cracking : onsite or on board**



Hydrogen refuelling station

Fuel cell and turbine for power generation (Genset data centers, shipping, power plants)





On board generation for Internal combustion engine (truck, ships)

#### **Centralized cracking using gas infrastructure**

Mature European Hydrogen Backbone can be created by 2040



## **Centralized cracking for large scale H<sub>2</sub> recovery from ammonia – Example of a 200ton/day Hydrogen plant**



## **Decentralized Ammonia cracker : on-site and on-board Hydrogen generator**



- Simpler system to generate pure hydrogen locally in a single step at the purity required for Hydrogen vehicles (ISO 14687-2)
- System producing up to several tons per day of hydrogen from ammonia with lower footprint
- Improved economics with higher efficiency due to higher conversion and low operation temperature compared to commercial solutions.
- Experimental validation demonstrates almost full conversion of NH<sub>3</sub>, even at 400 °C, and in all the cases beyond equilibrium. Typical cracker operates at close to 700°C.
- □ First demonstrator being built by ENGIE Lab CRIGEN and TU/Eindhoven Operation startup : end 2021
- Commercialization in the near future by H2SITE

H<sub>2</sub> PRODUCTION VIA AMMONIA DECOMPOSITION IN A CATALYTIC MEMBRANE REACTOR; V. Cechetto, L. Di Felice<sup>1</sup>, J.Medrano<sup>1,2</sup>, C. Makhloufi<sup>1,3</sup>, J. Zuniga<sup>1,4</sup>, F.Gallucci<sup>1</sup>

## **On-board hydrogen generation for heavy transport**

	FC power	H <sub>2</sub> storage required	NH <sub>3</sub> equivalent
Truck class 8 (line haul)	300- 450kW	79kg H2 at 350 bar / 80 tanks 8m <sup>3</sup> occupied / 2,7tons	650L NH <sub>3</sub> at 8,6 bar
Train	400kW	120 kg at 350 bar / 130 tank 13 m <sup>3</sup> occupied / 4,3 tons	1m3 at 8,6 bar
Mining truck	0,9 – 3MW	≈1000kg at 350 bar/ 700 tank 70m3 occupied/ 23 ton	8 m3 at 8,6 bar
Shipping	Up to 80 MW		



\* Considering 12kg/100km per class 8 truck, rough hypothesis for mining truck



Thanks for your attention

Any questions



# **BESS Optimal Cycling**

## Aging vs Revenues



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# Agenda



- 1. Akuo Energy
- 2. Optimal Cycling
- 3. Battery Degradation: main factors and aging model
- 4. Revenues and Penalties for Grid Connected BESS
- 5. Cycling modelling
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- 7. Merchant Application
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# Akuo Energy



Construction

Founded in 2007, Akuo develops worldwide renewable energy projects

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**Contracts & Financing** 

Development

In 2014, Akuo launched the **development & sale** of renewable energy **solutions** to third parties.



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# **Optimal Cycling**



# Why?

BESS will rapidly pass from basic operation to **concurrent bidding** and participation in **multiple markets** 

# How?

Elaborate the optimal BESS (or hybrid) dispatch strategy to maximise the project's NPV

Battery Degradation Optimal Replacement BESS Strategy Performances Cycling BESS Revenues



# **Battery Degradation**

**Stress Factors:** 





# **BESS Revenue Sources**



### **Capacity Market**

Balancing Authorities remunerating grid connected assets to ensure capacity [\$/MW/h]

### **Merchant Market**

Hourly or sub-hourly day-ahead and intraday markets for energy trade [\$/MWh]

### **Renewable Arbitrage**

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Avoid curtailment and optimise the economical valorisation of energy [\$/MWh]

### **Ancillary Services Market**

Grid Operators contracting fast-response and regulating reserve [\$/MW-MWh-mileage]

## **Grid Support Markets**

Grid operator remunerating for spinning reserve, non-spin or contingency reserve.[\$/MWh]



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# Cycling Modelling



#### **Cycle Economics**

$$Cost_{cycle} \ [\$] = LC_{cycle} \ast \left( C_{investment} + \sum_{n=1}^{N} \frac{C_{O\&M}}{(1+r)^n} + \sum_{n=1}^{N} \frac{C_{charging}}{(1+r)^n} + \frac{C_{disposal}}{(1+r)^{N+1}} \right)$$

$$\text{Revenue}_{\text{cycle}} \left[\$\right] = \sum_{n=1}^{N} \frac{R_{capacity}}{(1+r)^n} + \sum_{n=1}^{N} \frac{R_{discharging}}{(1+r)^n} + \sum_{n=1}^{N} \frac{R_{ancillary}}{(1+r)^n} + \sum_{n=1}^{N} \frac{R_{grid \ support}}{(1+r)^n} + \sum_{n=1}^{N} \frac{R_{rwe \ revalorisation}}{(1+r)^n}$$

 $Profit_{cycle} [\$] = Revenue_{cycle} - Cost_{cycle}$ 



Sum of Hourly Profit - Strategy 1 — Sum of Hourly Profit - Strategy 2

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# **Optimisation Problem**

The optimization problem aims at **maximize** the total **NPV** of the **profit** expected from the **BESS** or **hybrid system** by evaluating the best trade off between the **multiple markets 'revenues** and the **BESS degradation** 



#### Constraints

Taxes - Technical Constraints - Market Functioning & Regulation – Grid Operator Requirements



# **Merchant Application**



#### CAISO Market:

Day Ahead & Real Time Energy Market (15 min time step)

- Day-ahead M.  $\rightarrow$  bids from D-7 days until D-1
- Real Time M.  $\rightarrow$  from 1:00 p.m. of D-1 until 1h15 before the trading hour



The **strategy 3** presents the best trade off between the battery consumption and the cumulated revenue

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# Conclusion









# Thank you for your attention!

