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**EU Legislative framework
for implementation of Hydrogen in different applications**
May 2018

Hydrogen Europe represents the European hydrogen and fuel cell sector with more than 115 companies, 65 research organisations and 10 national associations as members.

We partner with the European Commission in the innovation programme Fuel Cells and Hydrogen Joint Undertaking (FCH JU).

We promote hydrogen as the enabler of a zero-emission society.

Hydrogen Europe is a supporting organisation of the
Hydrogen Council

Hydrogen Europe >185 Companies Research institutes and Associations



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7 roles of hydrogen need to be acknowledged

Enable the renewable energy system → Decarbonize end uses

Enable **large-scale renewables integration** and **power generation**



Distribute energy across sectors and regions



Act as a **buffer** to increase system resilience



Help decarbonize **transportation**



Help decarbonize **industrial energy use**



Help decarbonize **building heat and power**



Serve as renewable **feedstock** : steel, refineries, chemicals

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A. Integrating renewables in transport:

1. **Obligation of fuel suppliers to integrate a percentage of renewables**
2. Link with Hydrogen
3. In which conditions
4. Equality of treatment with renewable electricity

- B Guarantees of Origin

1. Obligation of fuel suppliers to integrate a percentage of renewables

RED 2 is the instrument to reach the objective of having 27% (or more) of renewable as primary energy in Europe

Article 25 sets a specific objective to integrate renewables in transport with an obligation for fuel suppliers to integrate a fraction of renewables in the fuels they sell

1. General percentage

- Commission : 6.8%
- Parliament EP: 12%... but multipliers
- Council: 14% but multipliers

2. Different minimum/maximum/flexible percentages for different categories of fuels

2. Link with H2: RFNBO

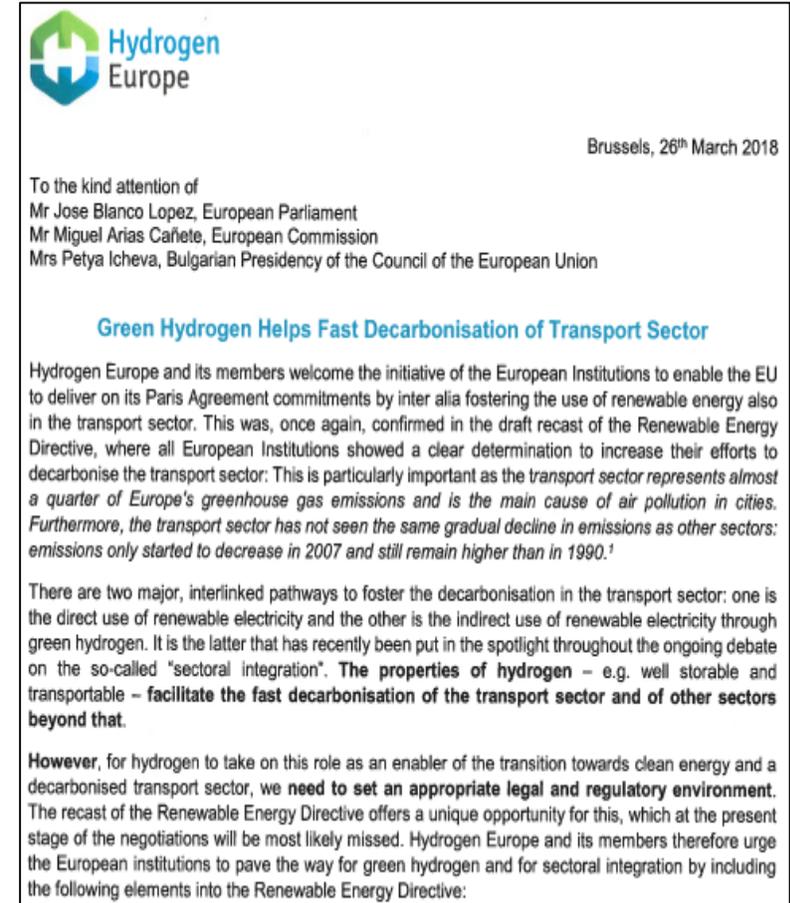
- a) Renewable H2 as a fuel: YES
- b) Renewable H2 made fuel : YES
- c) Renewable H2 in refineries: ?

Article 25: Mainstreaming RES in transport -> RFNBO or Refunobio

“When electricity is used for the production of renewable liquid and gaseous transport fuels of non-biological origin, **either directly or for the production of intermediate products**, [...]”

Text is not questioned in trilogue but **legal clarity on interpretation remains unclear**

=> Hydrogen Europe letter to Bulgarian Presidency, EC, EP.



3. In which conditions can H2 count for compliance with the target

- Restrictive conditions
- Intense discussion on the text
- Current trilogue finalisation: 17 May

| Commission proposal | Council position | Hydrogen Europe position |
|--|---|---|
| <p>Determination of the renewable share of RFN BIO</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Average share of electricity from RE sources in the Union <p>or</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The share of electricity from renewable energy sources in the Member State two years before <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fully counted only if <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • no grid connection • And comes into operation after or at the same time as the installation producing | <p>Electricity for fuel production can be fully counted as renewable, if connected to the grid, but:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Can provide evidence that the respective electricity has been provided without importing electricity from the grid. If electricity has been imported from the grid: • Renewable electricity generation would have been curtailed if not consumed by the plant <p>Or renewable properties have been demonstrated</p> <p>-> Implementing act to establish common methodology</p> | <p>Electricity for fuel production can be fully counted as renewable, if connected to the grid, but:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Can provide evidence that the respective electricity has been provided without importing electricity from the grid. If electricity has been imported from the grid: • Renewable electricity generation would have been curtailed if not consumed by the plant or • Renewable properties have been demonstrated through the use of guarantees of origin or power purchase agreements <p>-> Implementing act to establish common methodology</p> |

4. Equality of treatment with renewable electricity? NO

- Different conditions for renewable electricity and renewable hydrogen
- “Multipliers”

| Parliament proposal | Council position | Hydrogen Europe position |
|---|--|---|
| The contribution of renewable electricity supplied to road vehicles shall be considered to be 2.5 times its energy content . | Within this total share, the contribution of renewable electricity shall be considered to be 5 times its energy content when supplied to road vehicles and 2 times the energy content when supplied to rail transport . | “Within this total share, the direct contribution of renewable electricity or indirect contribution through renewable liquid and gaseous transport fuels of non-biological origin of renewable electricity shall be considered to be 2.5 times its energy content when supplied to road vehicles and 2 times the energy content when supplied to rail transport. ” |

B. Guarantee of origin on Hydrogen for consumer choice

Article 19: Inclusion of hydrogen guarantees of origin

| European Commission Proposal | European Parliament position | Council position |
|---|---|---|
| <p>A guarantee of origin shall specify at least:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">(a) the energy source from which the energy was produced and the start and end dates of production;(b) whether it relates to:<ul style="list-style-type: none">(i) electricity; or(ii) gas, or(iii) heating or cooling; | <p>A guarantee of origin shall specify at least:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">(a) the energy source from which the energy was produced and the start and end dates of production;(b) whether it relates to:<ul style="list-style-type: none">(i) electricity; or(ii) gas, <i>including hydrogen</i> or(iv) heating or cooling; | <p>A guarantee of origin shall specify at least:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">(a) the energy source from which the energy was produced and the start and end dates of production;(b) whether it relates to:<ul style="list-style-type: none">(i) electricity; or(ii) gas, or(iii) heating or cooling; |

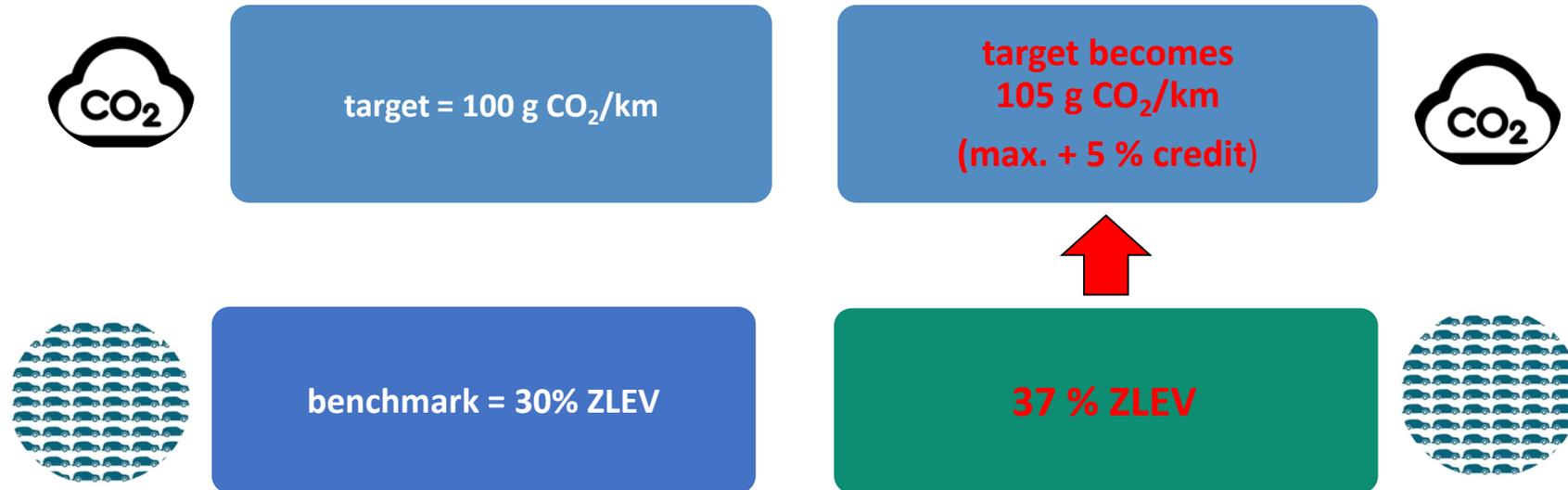
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EU framework – CO₂ emission standards

- Presented in November 2017 by the European Commission
- Philosophy: Technology neutral and rewarding best performers
- **2 Key elements**
 1. **CO₂ standards:** 15% reduction in 2025 and 30% reduction in 2030 (compared with 2021)
 2. **Reward for introduction of ZEV/LEV**
 - Which vehicles: CO₂ tailpipe emissions between 0 - 50 g CO₂/km
=> plug-in hybrid, BEV, FCEV
 - Mechanism:
 - Benchmark objective: 15% in 2025 and 30%
 - Reward if OEM achieves more: a less stringent CO₂ target
 - "exchange rate" of 1% / 1% with maximum 5% increase of CO₂ target
 - ZEV counted as one; LEV counted according to CO₂ emissions
 - No sanction if OEM achieves less

EU framework – CO₂ emission standards

- Illustration of the mechanism



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EU framework – Clean Vehicle Directive

Presented in November 2017 by the European Commission:

- **public procurement-based fleet deployment** across Europe
- **First it defines clean vehicles** based on emission thresholds (EC proposal)
 - For cars: de facto electric powered vehicles
 - For vans: de facto electric powered vehicles
 - For bus: accepts also natural gas
- **Second, it sets a minimum procurement target** per Member states and per vehicle segment (next slide)

Table 2: Emission-thresholds for light-duty vehicles

| Vehicle categories | 2025 | | 2030 | |
|--------------------|----------------------|--|----------------------|--|
| | gCO ₂ /km | RDE air pollutant emissions conformity factor* | gCO ₂ /km | RDE air pollutant emissions conformity factor* |
| M1 vehicles | 25 | 0.8 | 0 | n.a. |
| M2 vehicles | 25 | 0.8 | 0 | n.a. |
| N1 vehicles | 40 | 0.8 | 0 | n.a. |

* Emissions of ultrafine particles (PN), nitrogen oxides (NO and NO₂, when measured combined, they are referred to as NOx) according to Regulation 2017/1151, as amended.

Table 3: Alternative fuel requirements for heavy-duty vehicles

| Vehicle categories | Alternative fuels |
|---------------------|---|
| M3, N2, N3 vehicles | Electricity*, hydrogen, natural gas including biomethane, in gaseous form (compressed natural gas (CNG)) and liquefied form (liquefied natural gas (LNG)) |

Minimum procurement target per Member states and per vehicle segment

| Light duty vehicles | | |
|---------------------|------|------|
| Member State | 2025 | 2030 |
| Luxembourg | 35% | 35% |
| Sweden | 35% | 35% |
| Denmark | 34% | 34% |
| Finland | 35% | 35% |
| Germany | 35% | 35% |
| France | 34% | 34% |
| United Kingdom | 35% | 35% |
| Netherlands | 35% | 35% |
| Austria | 35% | 35% |
| Belgium | 35% | 35% |
| Italy | 35% | 35% |
| Ireland | 35% | 35% |
| Spain | 33% | 33% |
| Cyprus | 29% | 29% |
| Malta | 35% | 35% |
| Portugal | 27% | 27% |
| Greece | 23% | 23% |
| Slovenia | 20% | 20% |
| Czech Republic | 27% | 27% |
| Estonia | 21% | 21% |
| Slovakia | 20% | 20% |
| Lithuania | 19% | 19% |
| Poland | 20% | 20% |
| Croatia | 17% | 17% |
| Hungary | 21% | 21% |
| Latvia | 20% | 20% |
| Romania | 17% | 17% |
| Bulgaria | 16% | 16% |

| Buses | | |
|----------------|------|------|
| Member State | 2025 | 2030 |
| Luxembourg | 50% | 75% |
| Sweden | 50% | 75% |
| Denmark | 50% | 75% |
| Finland | 46% | 69% |
| Germany | 50% | 75% |
| France | 48% | 71% |
| United Kingdom | 50% | 75% |
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| Malta | 50% | 75% |
| Portugal | 40% | 61% |
| Greece | 38% | 57% |
| Slovenia | 33% | 50% |
| Czech Republic | 46% | 70% |
| Estonia | 36% | 53% |
| Slovakia | 39% | 58% |
| Lithuania | 47% | 70% |
| Poland | 37% | 56% |
| Croatia | 32% | 48% |
| Hungary | 42% | 63% |
| Latvia | 40% | 60% |
| Romania | 29% | 43% |
| Bulgaria | 39% | 58% |

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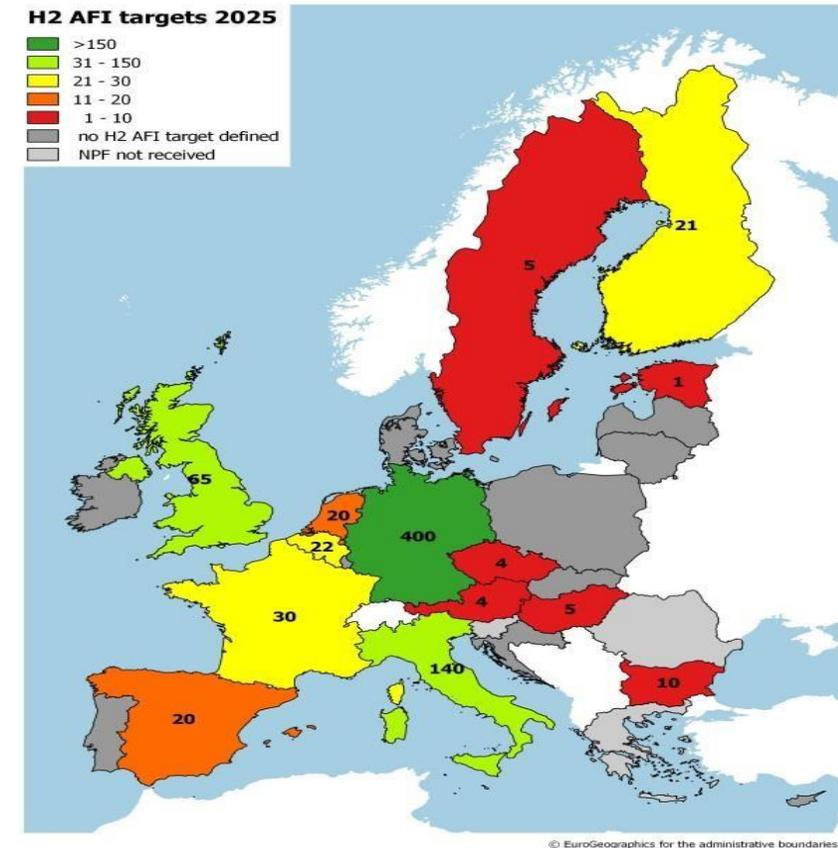
EU framework – Alternative Fuel Infrastructure Directive

Presented in November 2017 by the European Commission:

- Seen as key directive to unlock potential for hydrogen-based fuels along TEN-T core network.

- National plans on deployment of alternative infrastructure (electricity, gas, ... hydrogen).
- **Hydrogen is included in 14 NPFs** (Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Germany, Estonia, Spain, Finland, France, Hungary, Italy, Netherlands, Sweden, and UK)
- There will be more money available via TEN-T, (especially in Core Network Corridors also for hydrogen), NER300 and some regional funds
- Special mentioning of the Cleaner Transport Facility (CTF) of the EIB

| Mandatory ? | Fuels | Objectives/distance requirement |
|-------------|---------------------------------|---|
| Yes | Electricity for vehicles | One recharging point per estimated ten electric vehicles (and for information purposes: at least every 60 km on TEN-T Core Network) |
| Yes | CNG | At least every 150 km on TEN-T Core Network and one CNG refuelling point per estimated 600 CNG vehicles |
| Yes | LNG for vehicles | At least every 400 km on TEN-T Core Network |
| Yes | LNG for maritime vessels | Coverage of maritime ports with mobile or fix installations to enable the circulation on TEN-T Core Network |
| Yes | LNG for inland waterway vessels | Coverage of inland ports with mobile or fix installations to enable the circulation on the TEN-T Core Network |
| No | Hydrogen | At least every 300 km on TEN-T Core Network |



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Support for low-carbon demonstration



450+ million allowances, volume of funding will depend on carbon price (EUR 4 - 11bn), to be progressively released until 2030



Building on **existing NER300** Programme for renewables and CCS, applying the lessons learned



New: extension of scope to low carbon innovation in industrial sectors (incl. CCU) and energy storage



Open for big and small **projects in all Member States**, first round of support **around 2020** (NER300 2nd call leftovers + 50 million allowances from MSR)

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EU framework – Electricity Market Design

Seen as key directive to unlock potential for Sectoral Integration (SI) including electricity and hydrogen

2 key aspects:

- Definition of energy storage
- Ownership of storage

Energy storage

means, in the electricity system, deferring an amount of the electricity that was generated to the moment of use, **either** as final energy **or** converted into another energy carrier.

Ownership of storage

TSO/DSO shall not be allowed to own, develop, manage or operate unless:

- a) No other party has come forward
- b) Necessity to fulfil duty under said directive
- c) Regulatory authority has approved

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EU framework – Gas Market Regulation (next battlefield)



- Prepared now but presented end of 2019/beginning 2020
- It will be a Regulation and not a Directive
- **Content:**
 1. One part of the package will be mirroring the electricity market (retail).
 2. Another part of the package will mostly cover the future **content of the gas grids** => Hydrogen
- The Commission seems neutral when it comes to green or blue hydrogen. It's important that it is decarbonised

Objectives

Hydrogen Europe: Gas Grid WG -> Welcome to join!

- Acknowledgement of hydrogen production from the grid or storage as a value-adding component for the energy infrastructure
= Remuneration mechanism for market players
- Legislation needs to harmonise fragmented regulation to introduce hydrogen into the natural gas network.

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2. Removing barriers that will hinder the deployment

→ HyLAW project

- HyLAW stands for Hydrogen Law and **removal of legal barriers** to the deployment of fuel cells and hydrogen applications
- The project started in January 2017 and is scheduled to end in December 2018
- The main objectives of HyLAW are twofold:

Policy

Identify regulatory barriers (and best practices) and advocate for better regulation to support the uptake of fuel cell and hydrogen technologies

Market

Document legal and administrative processes which apply when deploying key Hydrogen technologies (coherent, user friendly, online database)

HyLaw – Examples of barriers identified

Who: Directive 2010/75/EU on industrial emissions (integrated pollution prevention and control)

What: The Directive, with the aim to reduce harmful emissions, imposes a series of obligations on operators

Consequences: The Directive applies to the production of hydrogen (Annex I, point 4.2), irrespective of quantity or method (e.g. electrolysis) severely limiting the potential of HRS with on-site production (among other things)

Who: Lack of legislation (Regulatory Gap)

What: Despite national / private initiatives (DE, DK, BE) to certify “green” hydrogen. There is no binding or uniform guarantee certification system at European level

Consequences: The lack of a green hydrogen definition across the EU can be a barrier that will slow down the implementation of hydrogen if divergent approaches jeopardize the free movement of (green) Hydrogen across the EU.

HyLaw - inform the market (1)

- Work started on web portal and online database:
www.hylaw.eu



Start Production Localized Permission Process All countries Search

STEP 1: SELECT CATEGORY | STEP 2: SELECT APPLICATION | STEP 3: SELECT LAP

Please select a category and application.

| |
|-------------------------|
| PRODUCTION |
| STATIONARY STORAGE |
| LONG TERM STORAGE |
| TRANSPORT |
| INFRASTRUCTURE |
| VEHICLES |
| ELECTRICITY GRID ISSUES |
| GAS GRID ISSUES |
| STATIONERY POWER |
| INDUSTRY |

You can also select a country (optional)



HyLaw - inform the market (2)

STEP 1: SELECT CATEGORY | STEP 2: SELECT APPLICATION | STEP 3: SELECT LAP

Please select a category and application.

You can also select a country (optional)

PRODUCTION

STATIONARY STORAGE

LONG TERM STORAGE

TRANSPORT

Road transport

Road planning

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H2 pipelines

INFRASTRUCTURE



STEP 4: PRODUCTION > LOCALIZED > PERMISSION PROCESS (2 COUNTRIES)

Permission Process

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What are the main regulations/requirements regarding land use plans for building a hydrogen production facility (e.g. Permission regime, agreement)?

Belgium

One of the prerequisites is that the land is declared as land where such facilities can be constructed and further on – if all permissions requirements haven been fulfilled- operated.

Germany

Land use plans exist in Flanders on different levels: i.e. the region, province, municipality (GRUP, PRUP..). In principle, there are no general exclusions for hydrogen installations in the regional land use plans, they can be built in industrial or living area.

Are there specific requirements or zone prohibitions for building a hydrogen production facility in the land use plans?

Yes but there is no hydrogen facilities specific regulation. According to the Law of Environmental Protection and the municipal regulations industrial production facilities are allowed to be built only in industrial and commercial areas.

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