

Examples for PtX Applications using Fischer-Tropsch Challenges and Opportunities

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Company Facts

Strategy

- Leading provider of electrolysers and fuel cells based on one Solid Oxide Cell technology
- Provide and operate hardware in emerging gigawatt markets of renewable gases and fuels
- Project development for commercial projects (fuels and gases as a service)

Knowhow

- ~120 Employees
- Skills in Ceramics, Stack + System Production, Engineering, Synthesis Processes, etc.

Investors

 ELECTRANOVA
CAPITAL idinvest
PARTNERS INVIE/N CAPITAL
CEZ GROUP KFW TOTAL

Patents

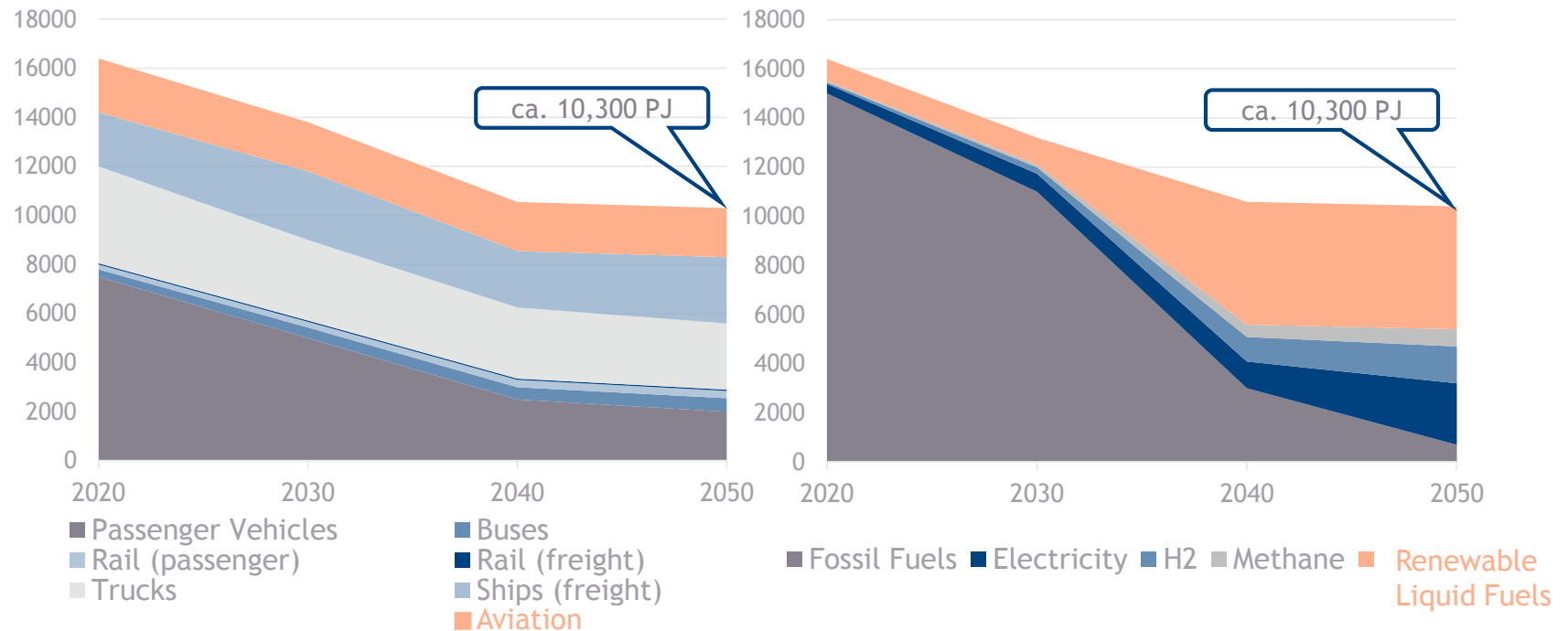
- Over 50 patent families (i.e. »process patent sunfire« WO/2008/014854)

Revenues

- Multi-million Euro Revenues in Global Markets since 2011

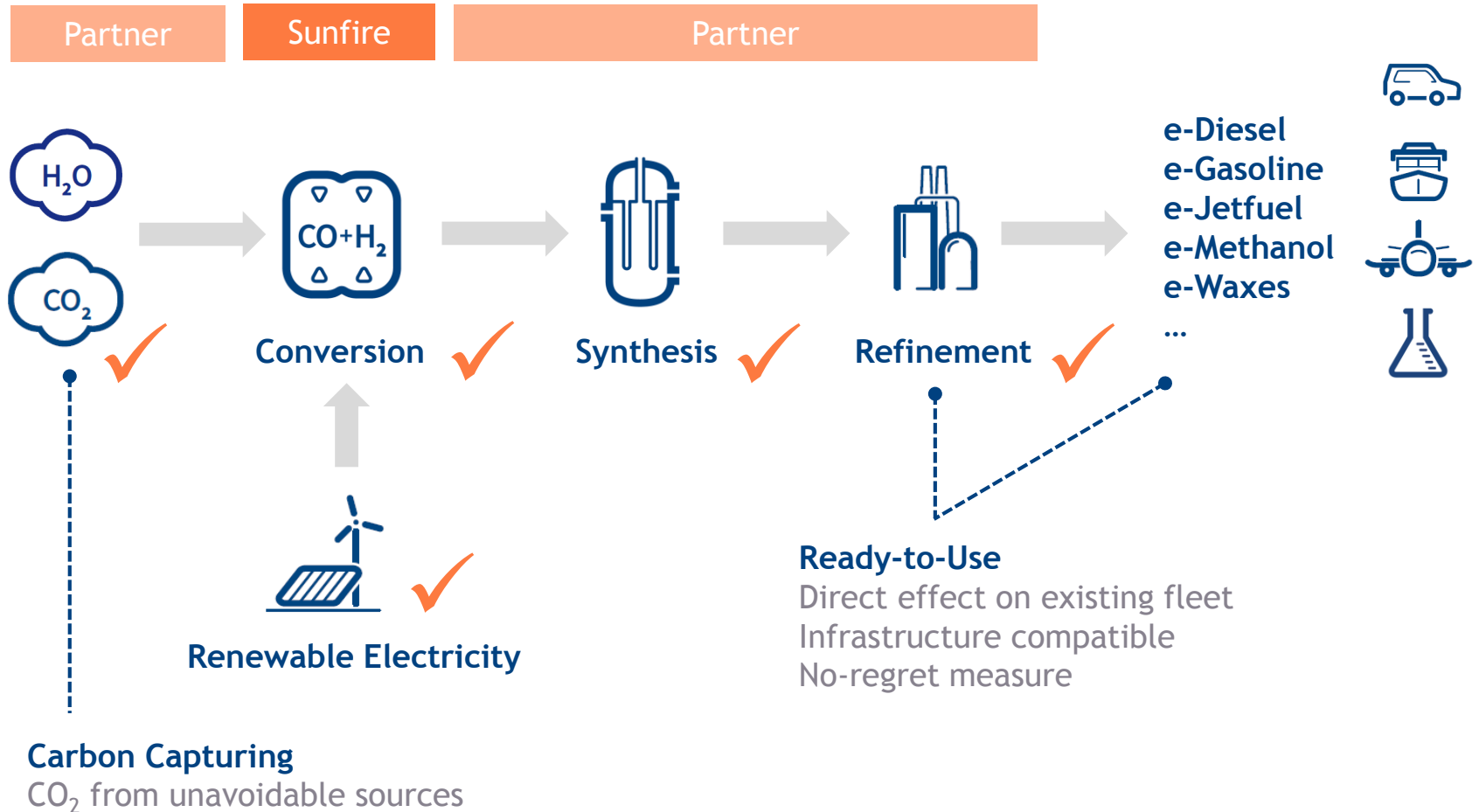
e-Fuel: A Necessity for Transport to Tackle Climate Change

Anticipated primary-energy consumption of the EU transport sector



- + To achieve CO₂ reduction targets, fossil fuels need to be phased out
- + Hard-to-electrify sector will make up 50 % or 5,000 PJ in 2050
- + >300 GW of e-Fuels needed in 2050 (>10 GW/a from now)

Sunfire Process for e-Fuel Production



Differentiating Key Themes

- + Highest efficiencies leading to lowest total cost of ownership (TCO)
- + Direct conversion of carbon molecules to provide clean solutions for the energy transition in all sectors
- + Non-toxic, no critical and no expensive materials for easy manufacturing



“When steam can be generated from waste heat sources, such as in steelmaking, high temperature electrolysis is the most efficient technology.”

Prof. Dr.-Ing. Heinz Jörg Fuhrmann, Chief Executive Officer and Chairman of the Executive Board of Salzgitter AG

Pilot-/ Demonstration Phase: Germany (2013 - 2014)

Project details:

- + Products: e-Diesel, e-Gasoline, e-Wax
- + Capacity: max. 60 t/a
- + Electricity: ~ 0.18 €/kWh (grid connected)
- + CO₂ source: Bioethanol (trucked)
- + Production costs: > 5 €/l
- + 50 % CAPEX funding from government

Challenges:

- + Full energy taxes and levies
- + No regulation regarding CO₂ sources
- + No regulation regarding e-Fuels

→ No business case!



Installation site



Prof. Dr. Wanka fueling with produced e-Diesel

Commercial Phase: Norway (expected after 2021)

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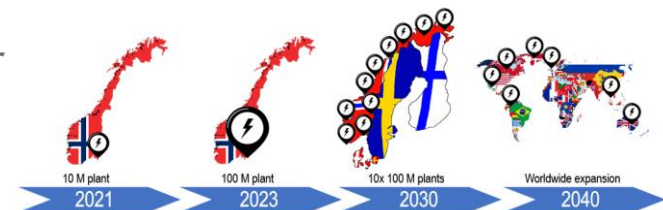
- + Products: e-Crude (requires upgrading to e.g. e-Diesel, e-Gasoline, e-Wax)
- + Capacity: ~8.000 t/a
- + Electricity: ~0.02 €/kWh (water power)
- + CO₂ source: Industrial (pipeline)
- + Costs: <2.5 €/l (offtake agreements in place)
- + No funding



Installation site

Challenges:

- + New EU regulation on CO₂ sources unclear
- + New EU regulation on electricity supply unclear
- + RED II enables accounting of fuel, but no support through CO₂ emission standards



→ No business case yet, but business case repetitive if favorable (EU) regulation

Roadmap with NBC

How to Initiate a Short-Term Roll-Out?

- + German government has introduced the idea of creating “**Reallabore**” to enable *regulatory learning, experimental regulatory clauses* and provide funding to enable commercial Power-to-X projects
 - + German government will provide 100 M€ per year
 - + Idea of OPEX instead of CAPEX funding (e.g. 400 €/tCO₂ abated) and support through experimental regulatory clauses suggested by Sunfire
- This could help to overcome the phase of regulatory uncertainty for e-Fuel use in the EU



7. Energieforschungsprogramm

Summary

- + e-Fuels are an undisputed necessity to fulfil the global climate targets
- + All necessary processes steps have been demonstrated in multiple locations and are available at TRL 7 - 9 → Technology is not the problem!
- + Regulatory uncertainty is delaying the roll-out of e-Fuels
 - Permit the use of all unavoidable CO₂ sources
 - Enable the use of renewable electricity purchased through the grid
- + Temporal support schemes like “*Reallabore*” can only be a “workaround” to the current unsatisfactory regulatory environment
- + As world leader in electrolysis and Power-to-X processes, Sunfire is best positioned to cater growing demand



THANK YOU!

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Bringing the Energy Transition to the Next Level

- Even in scenarios with large increase of direct electrification liquid energy carrier remain necessary to cover the global energy needs in 2050

Energy Consumption by Carrier

