

POWER TO LIQUIDS - PTL

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A 3D architectural rendering of a modern building complex, likely the Repsol Technology Lab. The building features a mix of concrete and glass facades. In the foreground, the words "REPSOL LAB" are displayed in large, 3D, metallic letters. The scene is overlaid with various orange and red lines, suggesting a technical or engineering context. The background shows a clear blue sky and some distant trees.

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Key takeaways



POWERPOINT STRUCTURE (x10slides)

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- Net Zero emission
- What's PtL
- Why PtL

x5 slide 2. Demonstration plant PtL

- Key Magnitudes
- Process scheme and TRL
- Location

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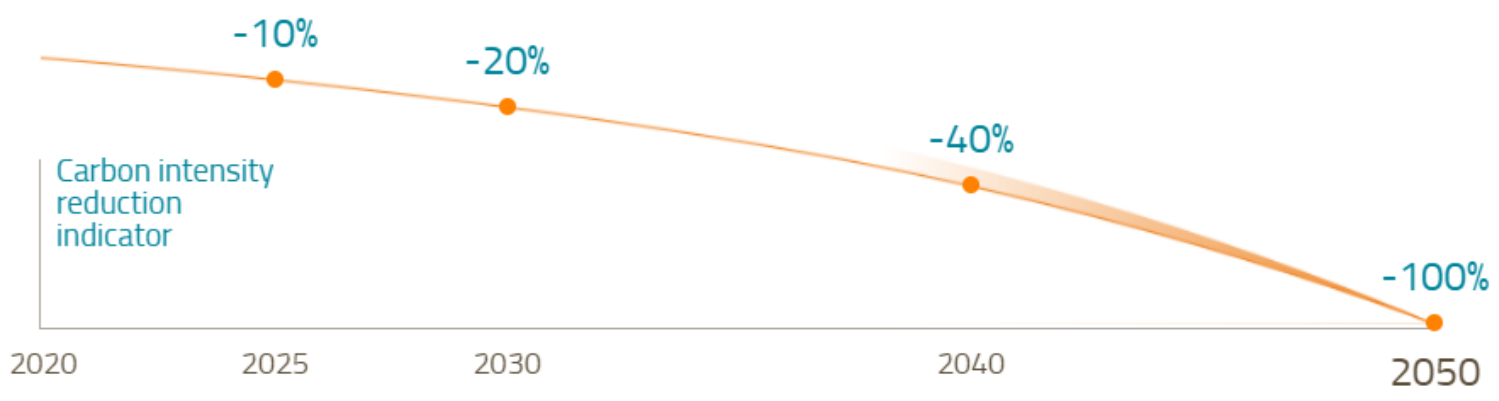
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NET ZERO EMISSION

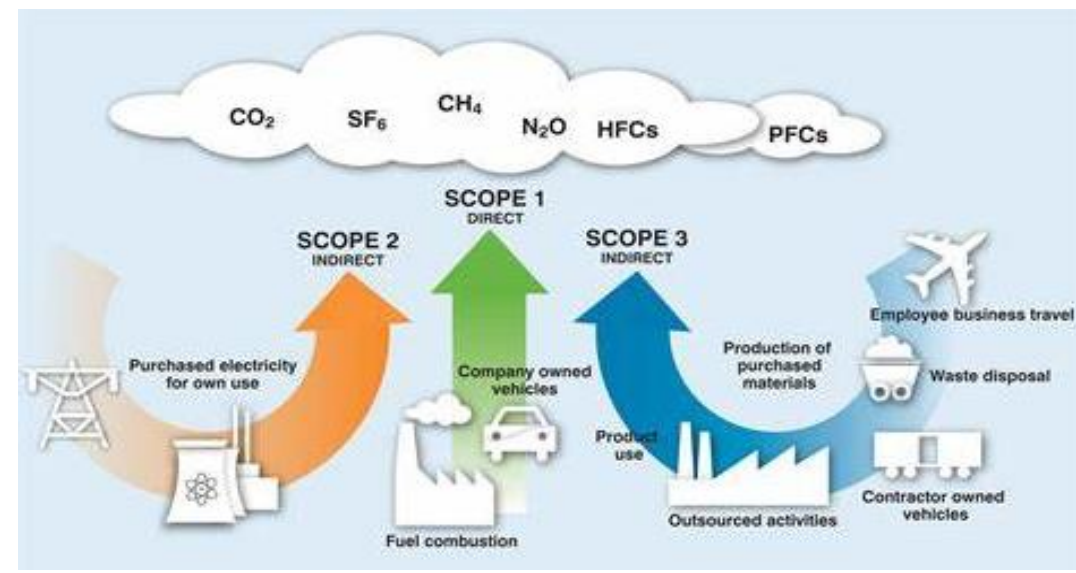
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REPSOL ROADMAP TOWARD NET ZERO EMISSIONS BY 2050...



...NOT ONLY THOSE DERIVED FROM OUR OPERATIONS



TECHNOLOGICAL NEUTRALITY

Energy	Source	Technology
 Electricity	Renewable electricity	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Solar PVWind turbineHydro
 Advanced biofuels	Waste and residual biomass	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Fermentation (alcohols)Transesterification of waste lipids (UCOME)Hydrogenation of waste lipids (HVO, HEFA)<ul style="list-style-type: none">Pyrolysis + upgradingHydrothermal liquefaction + upgrading<ul style="list-style-type: none">Gasification + Fischer-Tropsch
 Negative footprint biofuels	Waste and residual biomass	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Fermentation with CCUSLignocellulosic route with biocharLignocellulosic route with CO2 mineralizationLignocellulosic route with CCS
 Recycled carbon fuels	Non biologic residues (NFU, SRF, plastics)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Pyrolysis + upgradingHydrothermal liquefaction + upgradingGasification + Fischer-Tropsch
 PTL	Renewable electricity and CO2	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Fischer Tropsch Route<ul style="list-style-type: none">Methanol routeMethane route
 Hydrogen	Renewable enregy	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Electrolysis (alkaline, PEM, SOEC)Photoelectrocatalysis

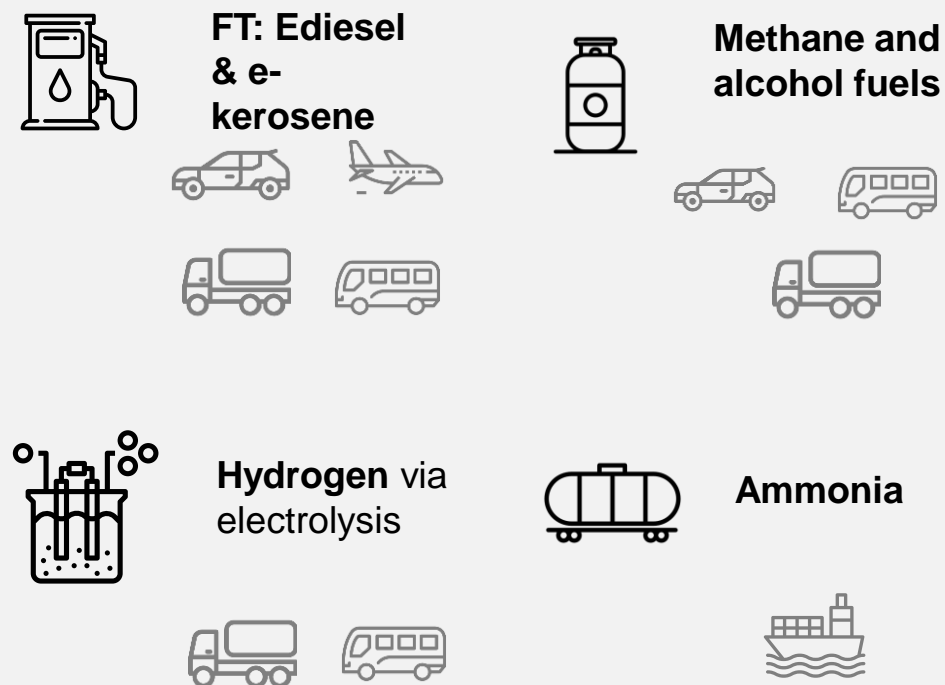
WHAT'S PTL?

DRIVERS OF PTL ADOPTION



E-fuels

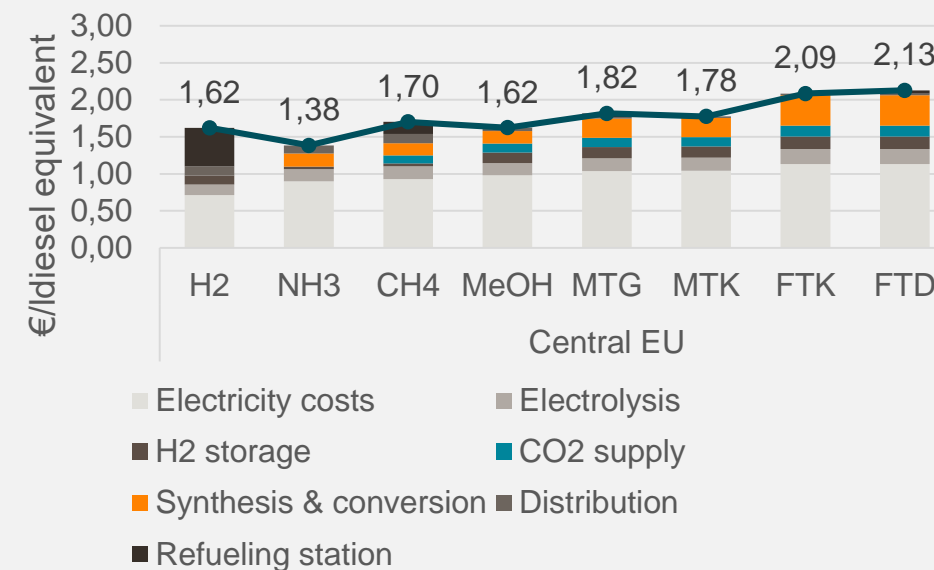
E-Fuels are synthetic fuels, resulting from the combination of “**renewable or e-hydrogen**” produced by electrolysis of water with renewable electricity and **CO₂ captured** either from concentrated source or from the air (DAC). E-fuels are also referred as power-to liquid (PtL), power-to-X (PtX) or power-to-gas (PtG) and synthetic fuels⁽¹⁾.



Cost drivers

Key enablers for a cost-competitive and credible e-fuel are:

- **Price of electricity**,
- **CO₂ source**, whether its DAC or from a concentrated source will impact final e-fuel cost.
- **CAPEX** either electrolysis and process unit has an intensive capital requirement



Regulatory action

REDII: Renewable Energy Directive

Legislation currently requires 14% of energy in **transport fuels** to come from **renewable sources** by 2030.

New proposal changes objectives to **13% carbon footprint reduction** and a specific target of 2,6 %e/e for RFNBO.

FuelEU Maritime Initiative

Initiative regulates use of low-carbon fuels in maritime transport, including RFNBO³.

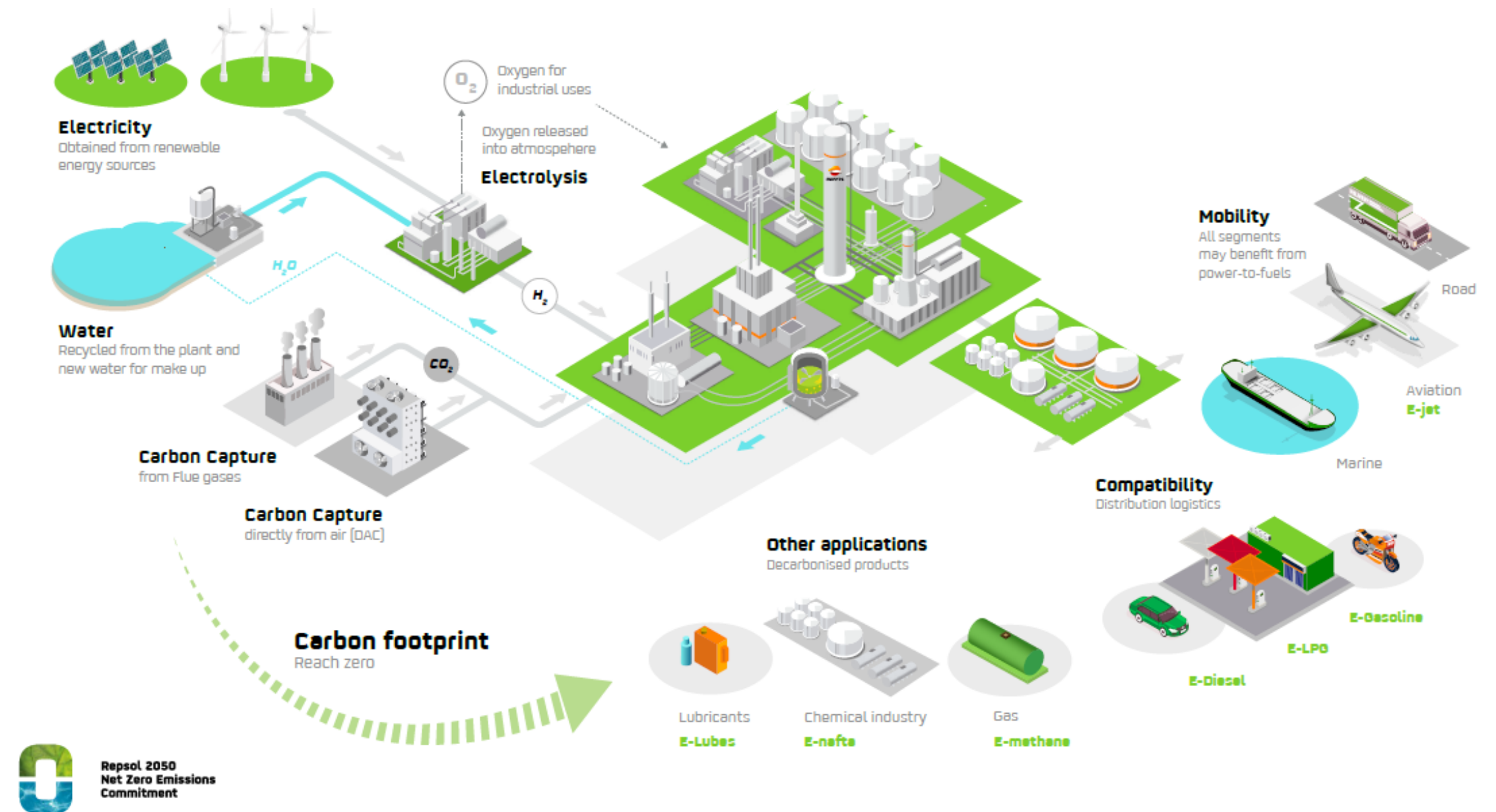
ReFuelEU: Sustainable Air Transport

Aircrafts departing from EU must have a **kerosene-SAF blend** from 2025 including 0,7% from 2030 of e-fuel under the ReFuelEU legislation, reaching **63% share of SAF in 2050²**.

WHY POWER TO FUEL?

DRIVERS OF PTL ADOPTION

1. Net Zero Emission
2. Compatibility with existing infrastructure and fleet
3. Serving fuels to wide range of sectors
4. Virtually unlimited potential
5. Alternatives for non-fuel products (e-chemical, e-lubes)
6. Renewable energy vector



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Operational date

2024 (Demo)



Project capacity

2,3 kton/y (Demo)



CO₂ abatement

6,9 Kton/y (Demo)



Renewable electricity

10 MW (Demo)



Objective

Development of **first of a kind eFuels plant** using captured CO₂ and green hydrogen.



Key insights

- **Drop-in** fuel that can be blended in existing engines in LDVs, HDVs, airplanes and ships.
- Demonstrate the **whole value chain of producing synthetic fuel** from CO₂ and renewable hydrogen.
- Perform **real fleet test** market/clients/partners.

Project overview

6,9 kt/y of CO₂ already captured in Petronor refinery

10MW of renewable energy to produce the renewable hydrogen needed in the process either from a PGP or PPA.

Synthetic fuel plant consisting on RWGS + Fischer Tropsch unit and Upgrading whit capacity to produce **2,3Kt/y** of e-gas, e-gasoline, e-jet and e-diesel.

Flexibility scheme to produce e-lubricants, e-paraffin wax or chemical feedstock.



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Partnership

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AOC: Technology partner



Operation and refinery integration



Technology partner

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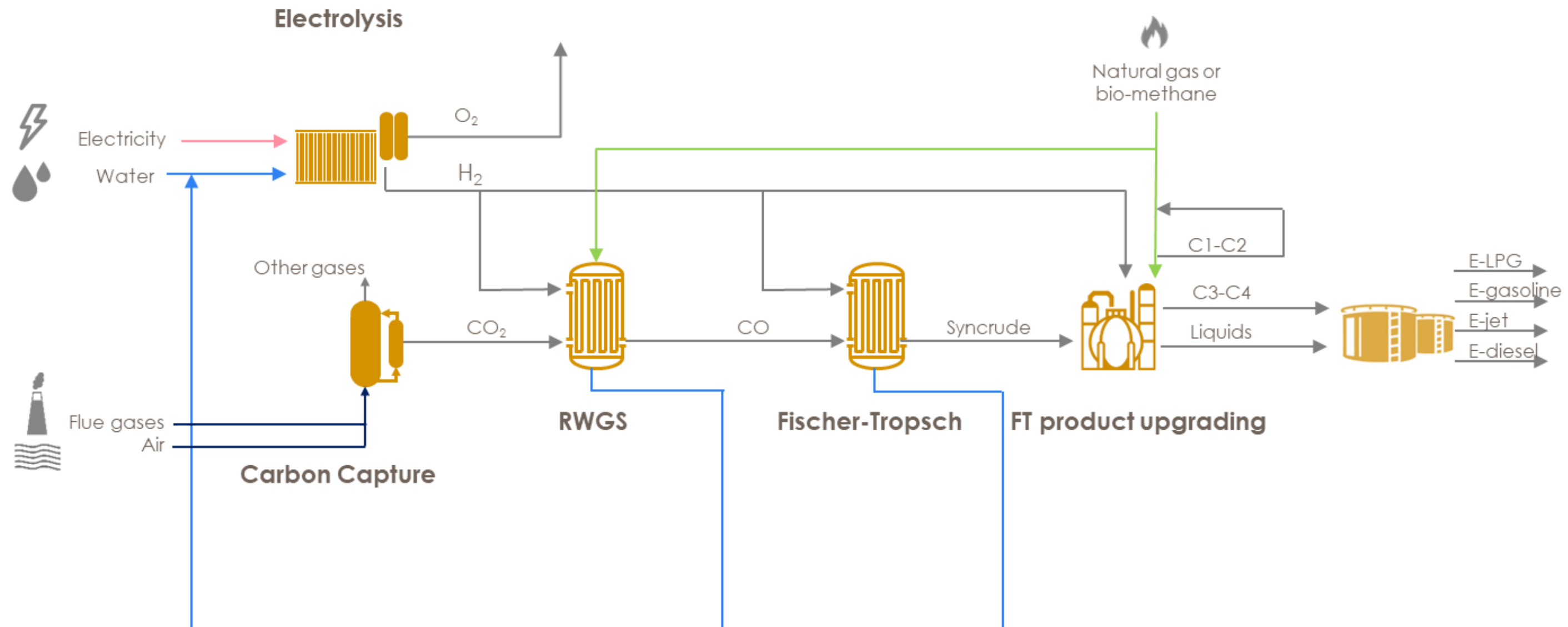
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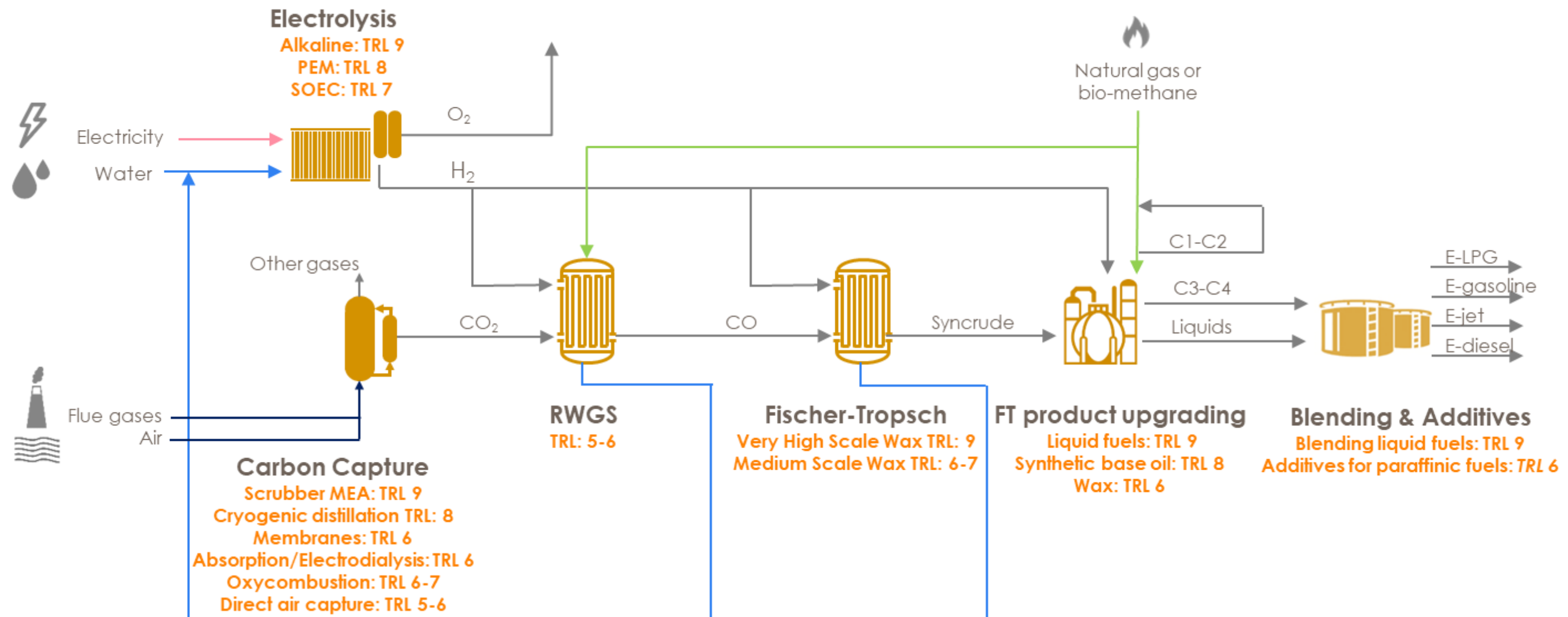
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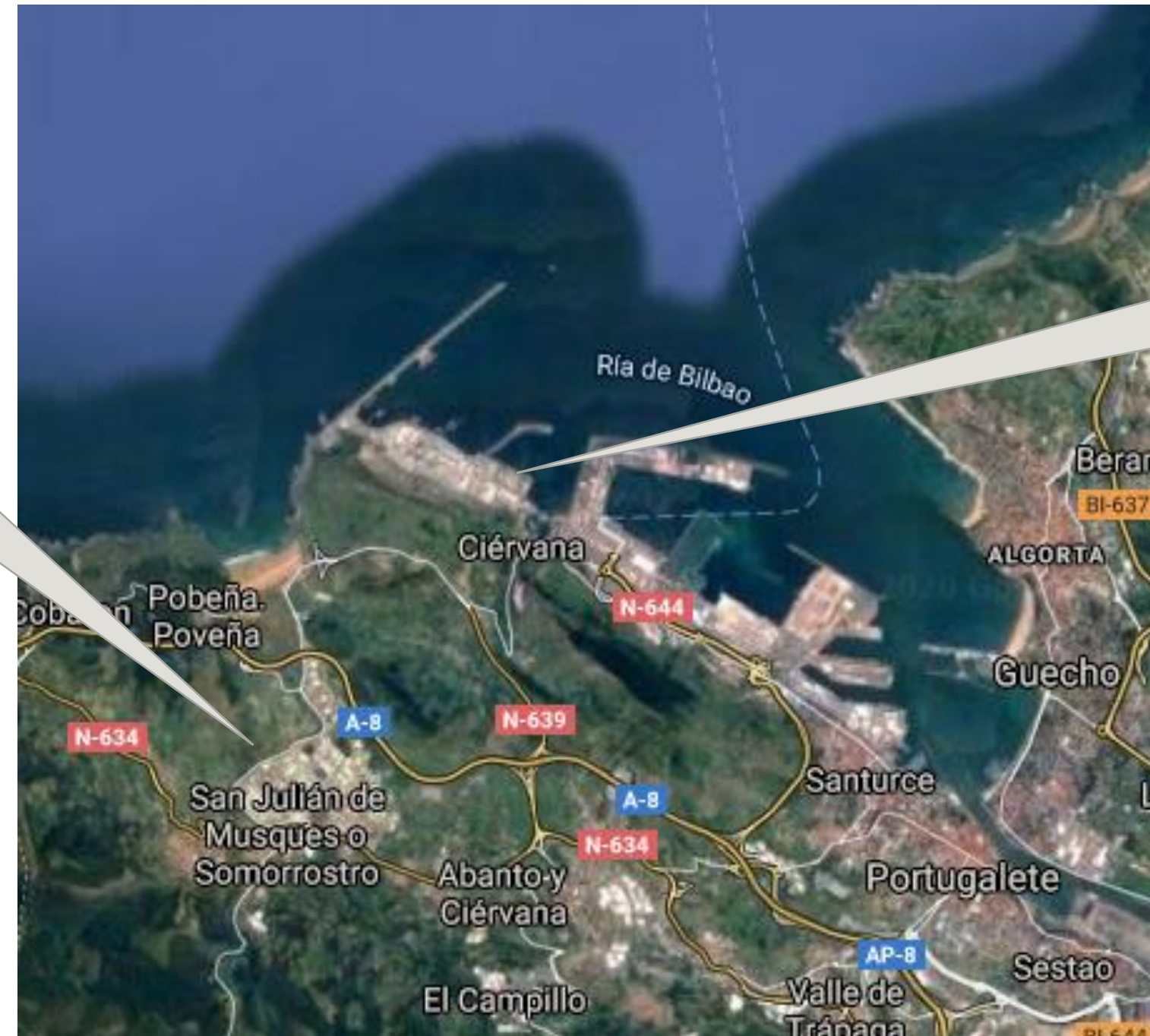


Petronor
refinery

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The Demo plant is located at Bilbao's Harbor and interconnected with Petronor Refinery by means of a reverse pipeline to share the following streams:

- **CO₂** from refinery to Demo asset. CO₂ currently captured from SMR
- **Hydrogen** from the Demo asset to Refinery when efuels turndown, catalyst changes. This line is reversible to provide H₂ to the Demo in case of electrolyzer failure or turndown.
- **Off gas & Purges** from Demo plant to valorize as e-fuel in Refinery furnaces.



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CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES



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Business Challenges

- Cost and investment necessary for producing PtL.
- Policy framework
 - Obligation of synthetic fuel in transport sector. Fitfor55
 - CO₂ source origin.
- Integration in current assets



Technology Challenges

- Scale up pilot and demo scale technologies (TRL < 7)
 - RWGS
 - Electrolysis (SOEC)
 - DAC (Direct Air Capture)
 - ...
- Validation and integration the whole processes in a economically and steady operation. **First of a kind**
 - Optimization of operation
 - Integration and energy efficiency



Engineering challenges

- Electrical infrastructure needed 20 GWh/Ktony vs 0,08 Gwh/Ktony c.a conventional fossil fuel.
- Electrical heating and compressors above 15-20MW.
- Utilities consumption
 - CW required 30-45 fold than conventional fossil fuel.
 - Feed water 20 fold than conventional fossil fuel

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Business Opportunities

- ReFuelEU legislation set up a minimum synthetic fuel in blended Kerosene SAF from 2030. Drop in fuel blended with fossil kerosene.
- PtL produce high quality products (low density, paraffinic) which would make more flexible the blending allowing *lower qualities streams* in blending
- Integration in current assets: Potential re-use of processes units, utilities in/out of battery limits if conventional fossil fuel demand decrease
- Social impact: direct and indirect employees could compensate potential decrease of fossil fuel demand.



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