

Electrolyzed Synthetic Fuels for Heavy Transportation & Electricity Load Balancing

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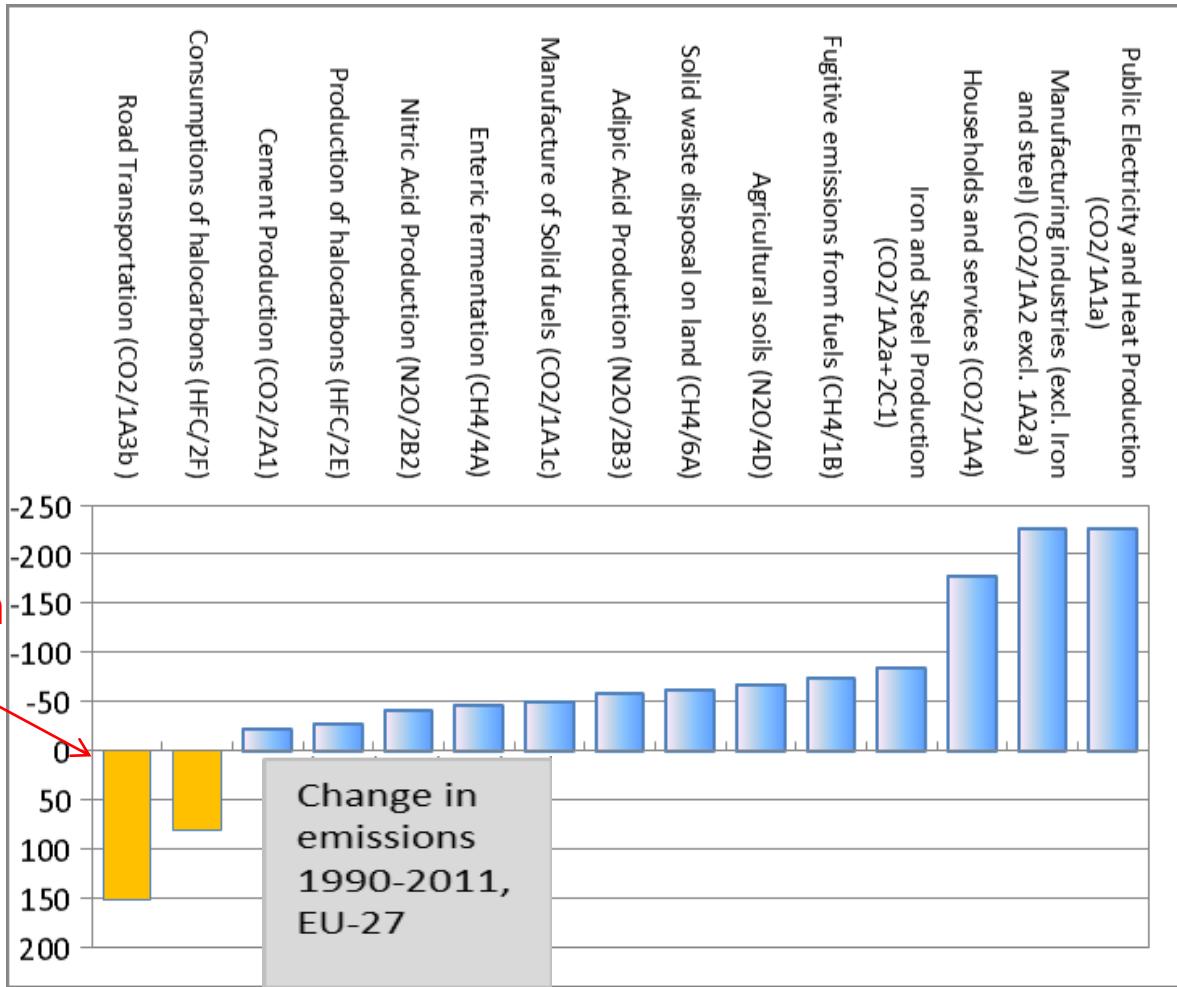


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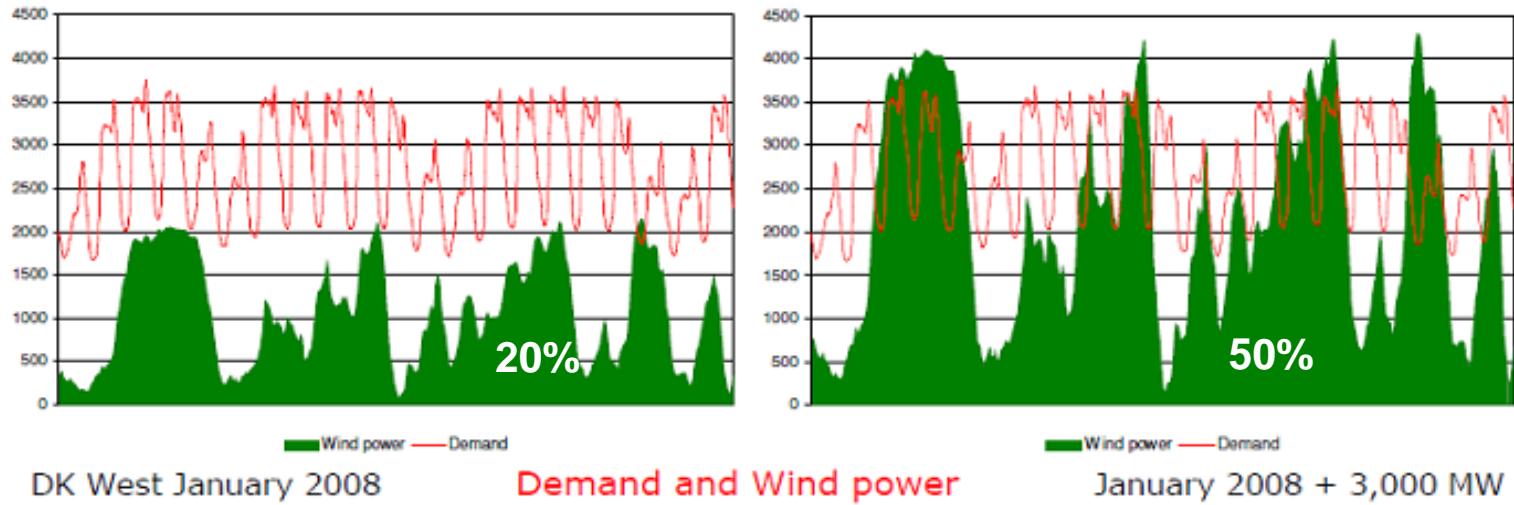
EU-27 CO₂ emission evolution

Road
Transportation



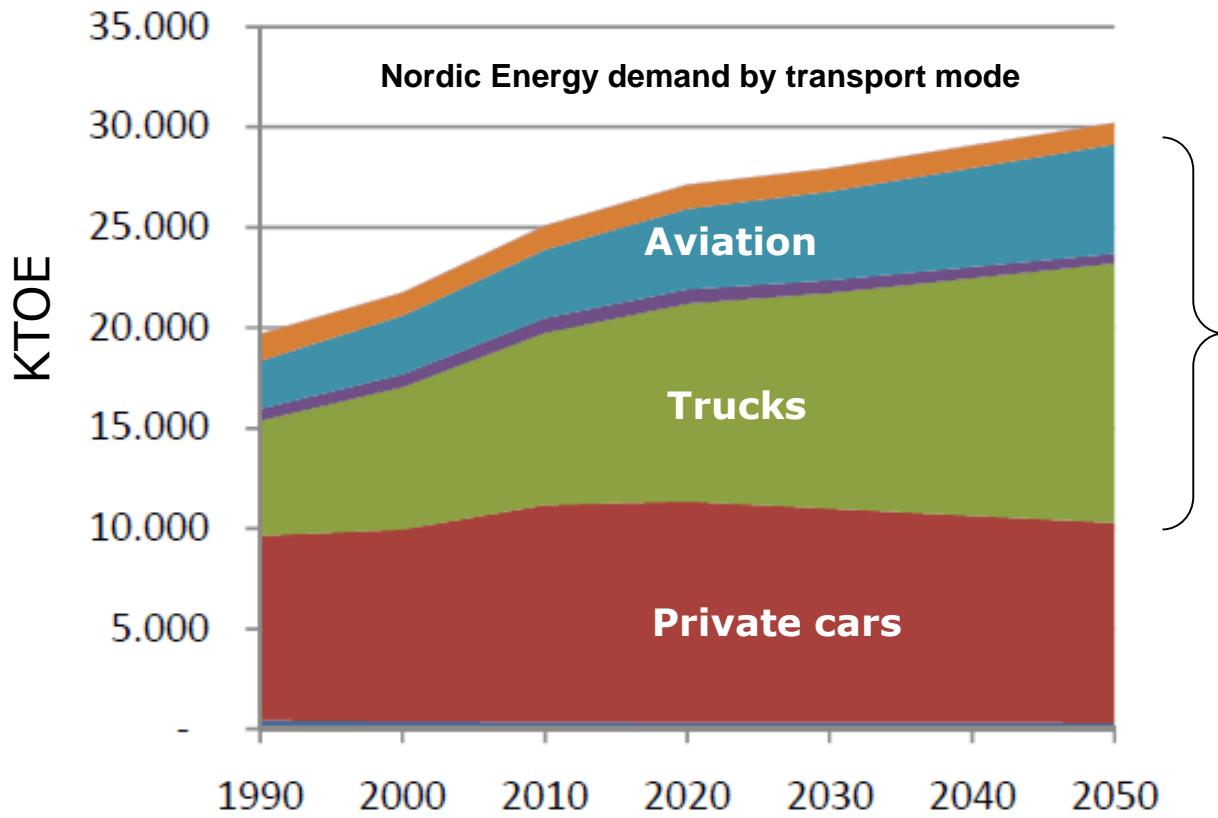
Renewable energy

- From 2008 to 2020 the Danish power production will increase from 20 to 50%*



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Transport mode distribution

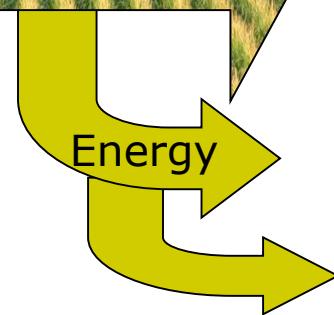
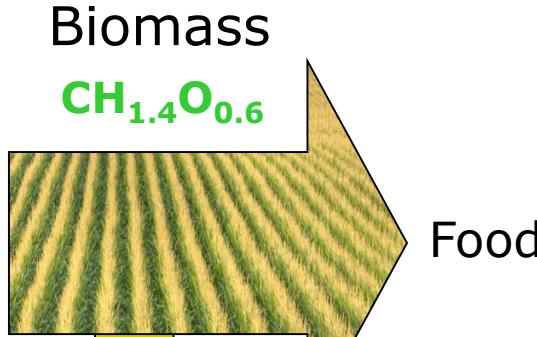


Hydro-Carbon fuels

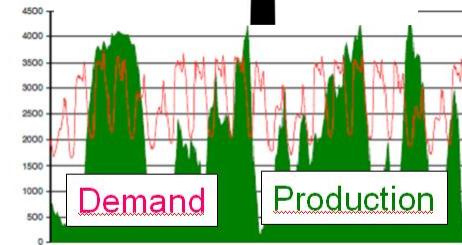
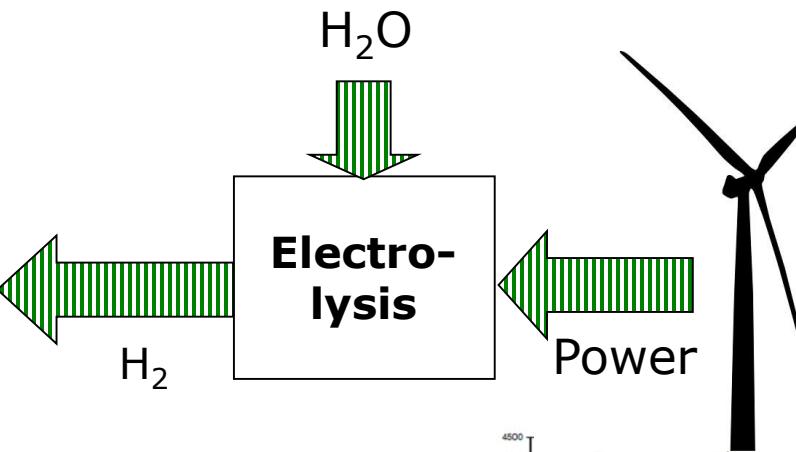
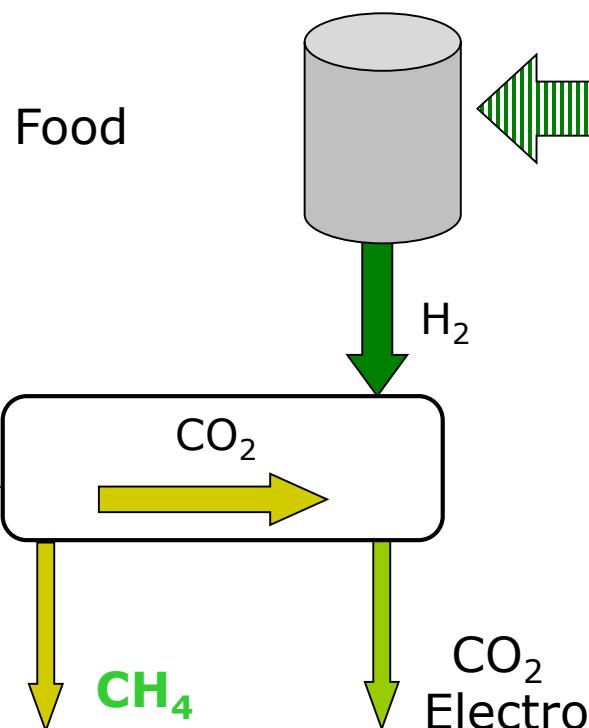
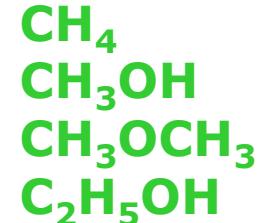




CO₂ Electrofuels



BioFuel

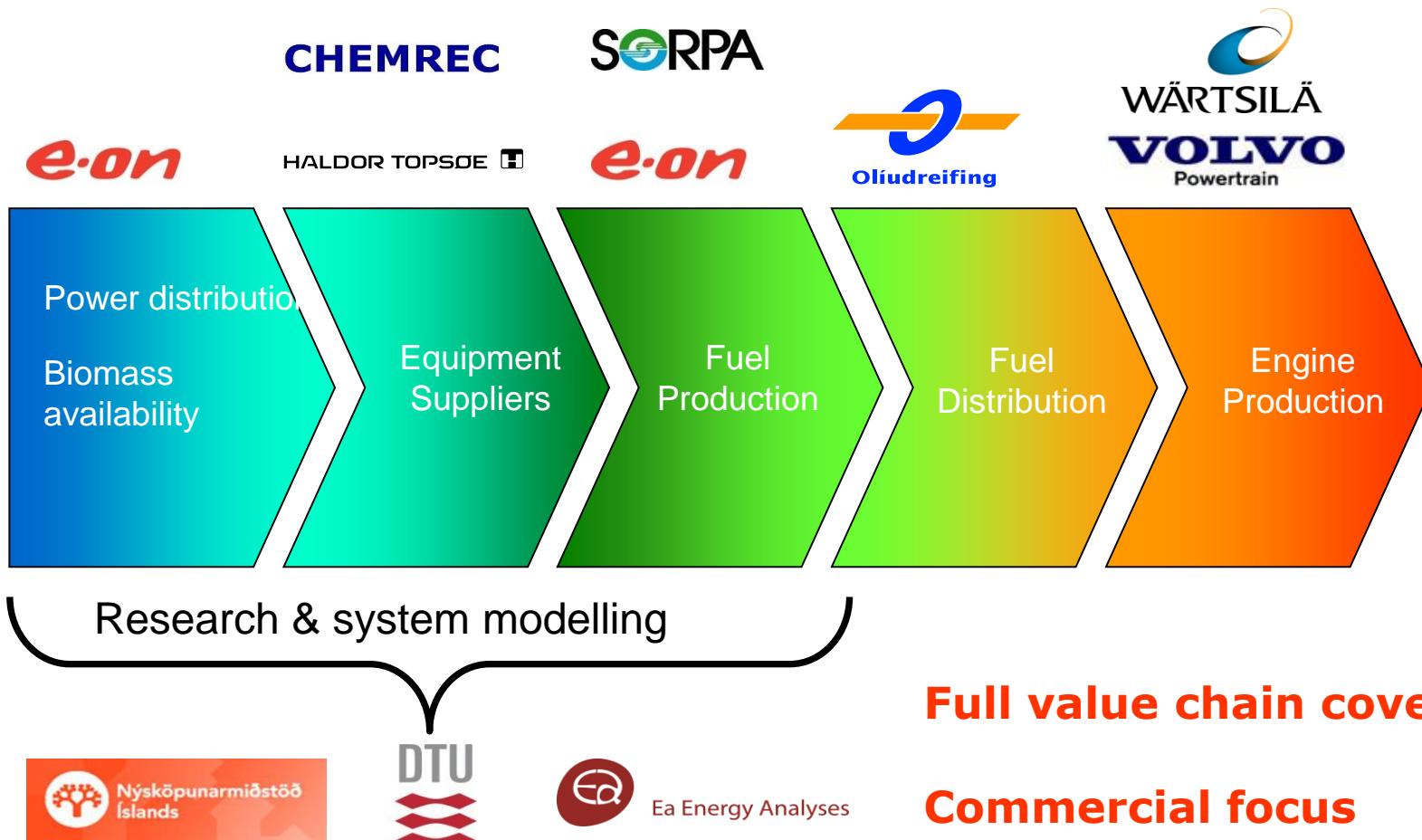


Project ambitions:

- Better carbon efficiency
- Cost competitive fuel
- Additional load balancing



The CO₂ Electrofuel Participants



Fuel efficiency

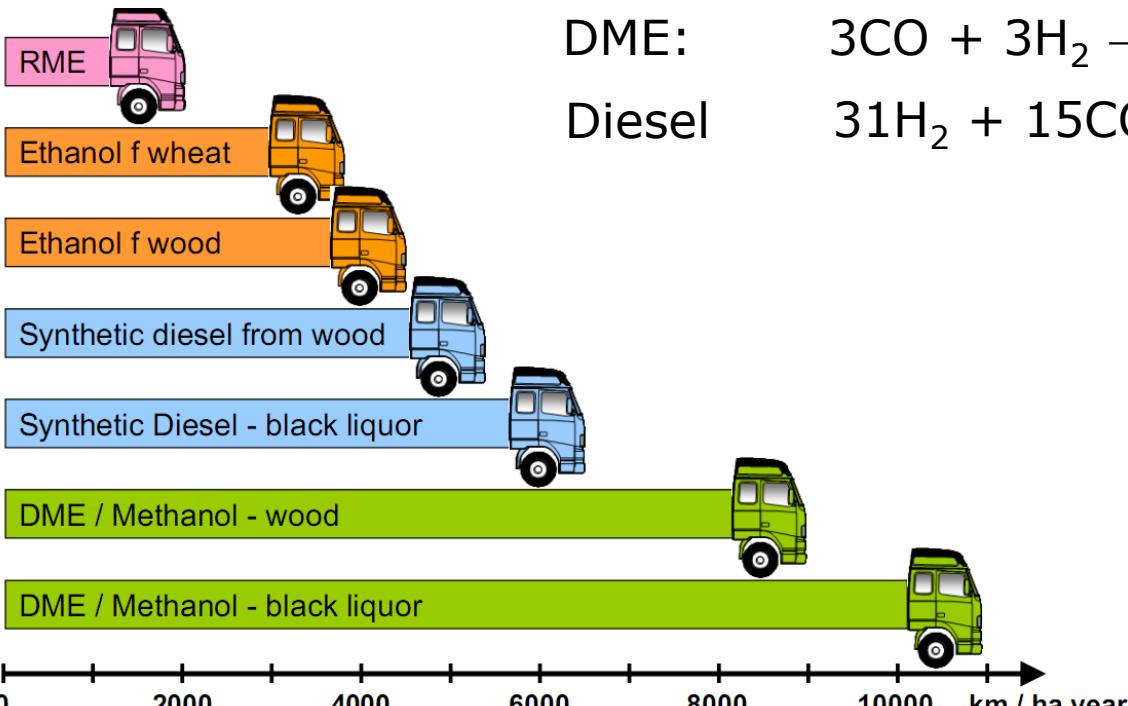
Synthesis gas: $\text{CO} + \text{H}_2 + \text{CO}_2$

Methane: $\text{CO} + 3\text{H}_2 \rightarrow \text{CH}_4 + \text{H}_2\text{O}$ -21%

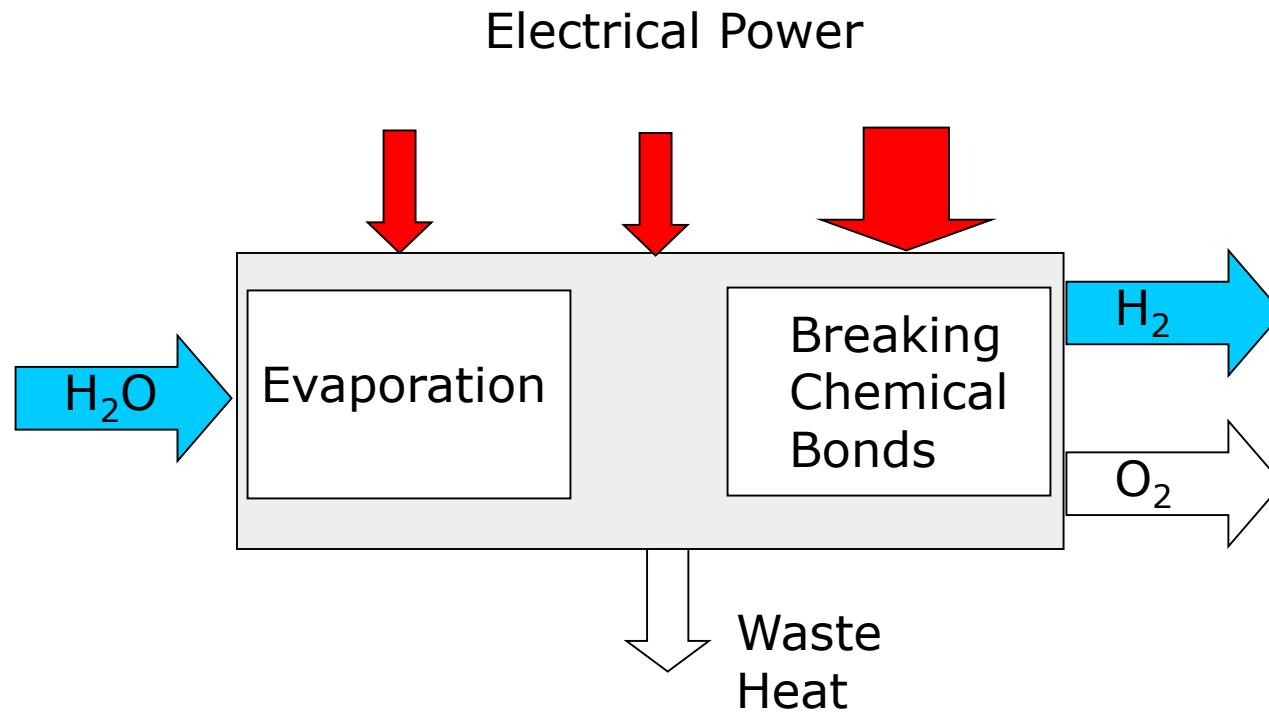
Methanol: $\text{CO}_2 + 3\text{H}_2 \rightarrow \text{CH}_3\text{OH} + \text{H}_2\text{O}$ -12%

DME: $3\text{CO} + 3\text{H}_2 \rightarrow \text{CH}_3\text{OCH}_3 + \text{CO}_2$ -16%

Diesel $31\text{H}_2 + 15\text{CO} \rightarrow \text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{32} + 15\text{H}_2\text{O}$ -22%



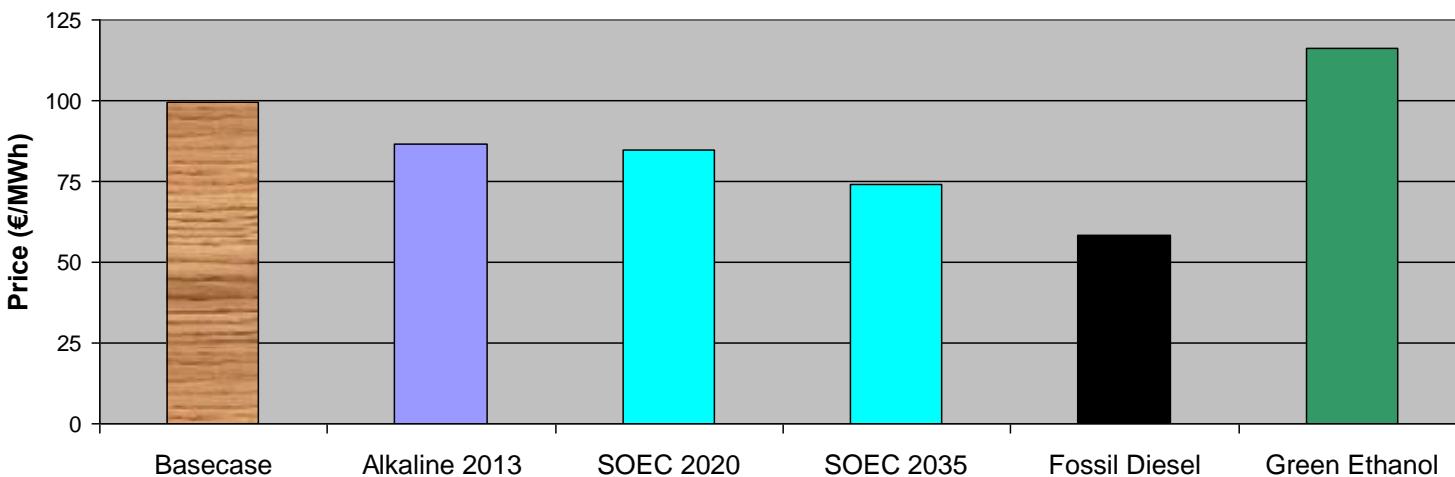
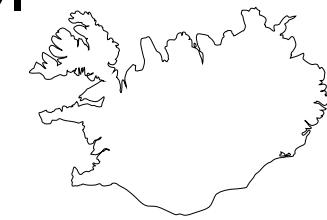
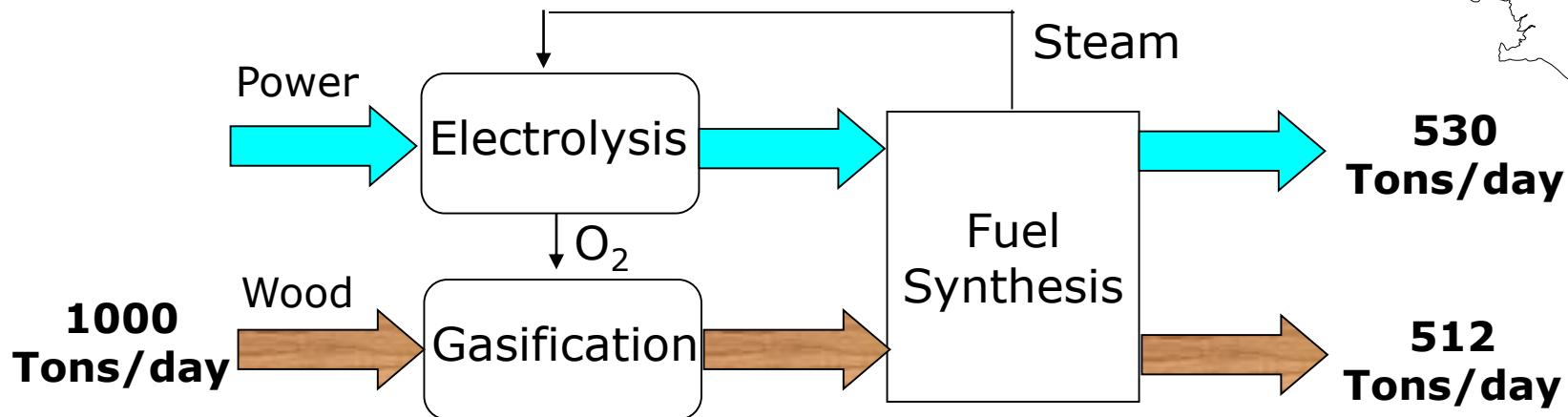
Solid Oxide Electrolysis



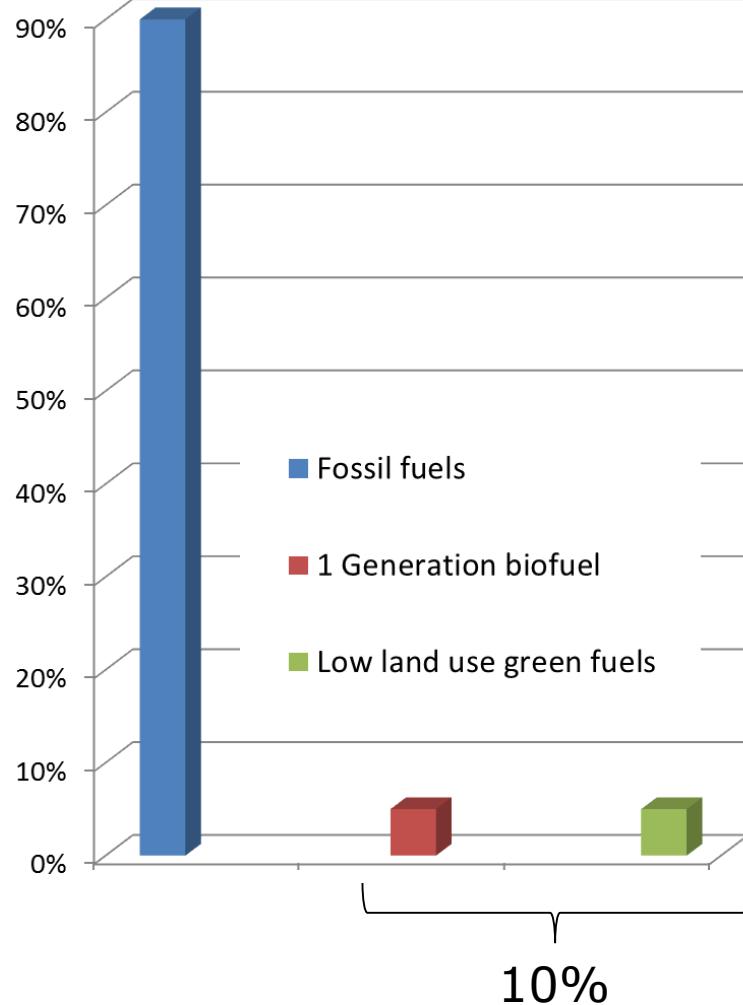
SOEC (high temperature electrolysis) is typically 50% more efficient than traditional room temperature electrolysis



Example 1. Wood → Methanol



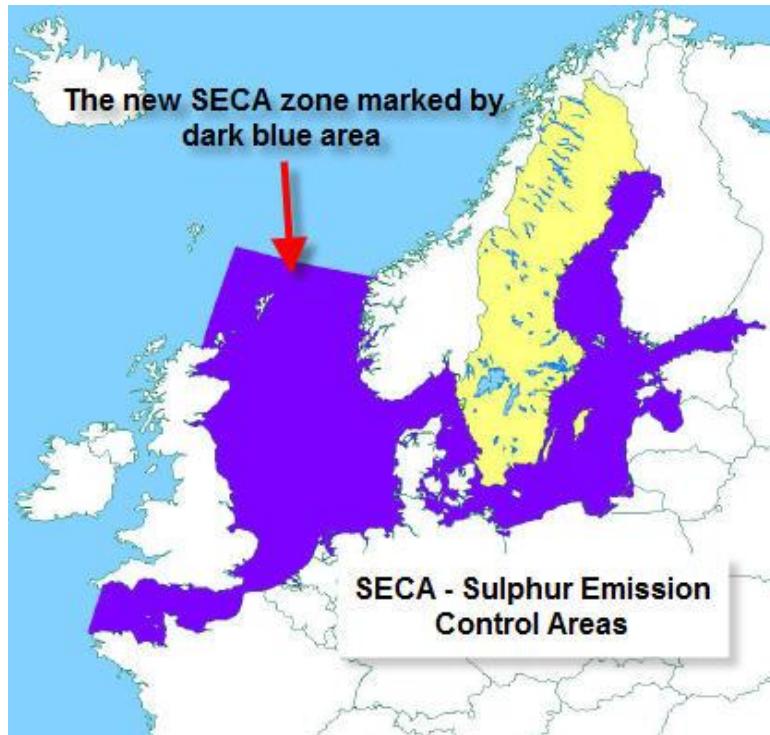
A Green fuel market



Proposed amendment to the Renewable Energy Directive (RED) 2009/28 /EC

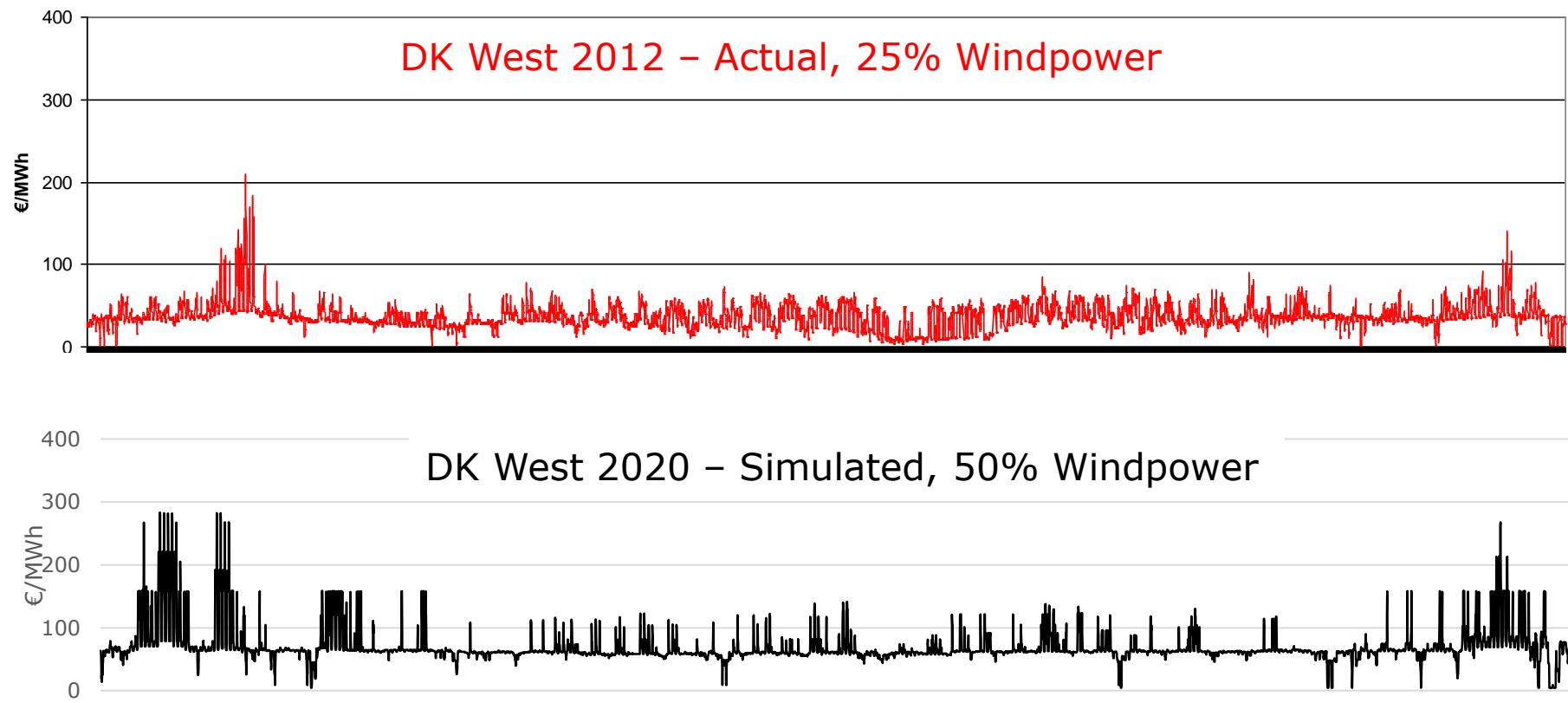
- “ILUC Amendment” - October 2012
- 10% of transport energy is from renewable sources
- Only 5% of energy should come from first generation biofuels

New marine fuels





Electricity prices & Load balancing

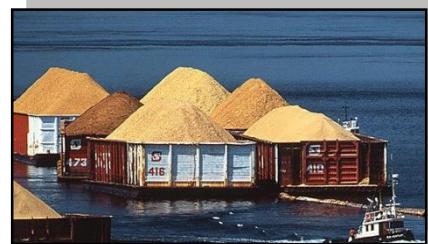


Six Nordic cases

Landfill gas



Wood to MeOH



CO₂ to Methane



Biogas

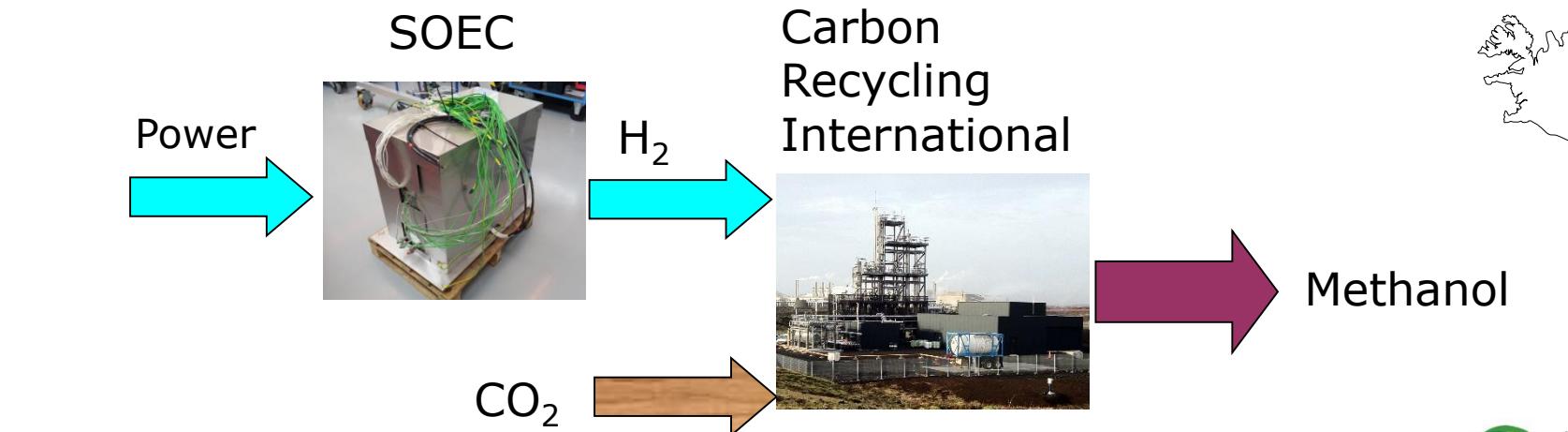
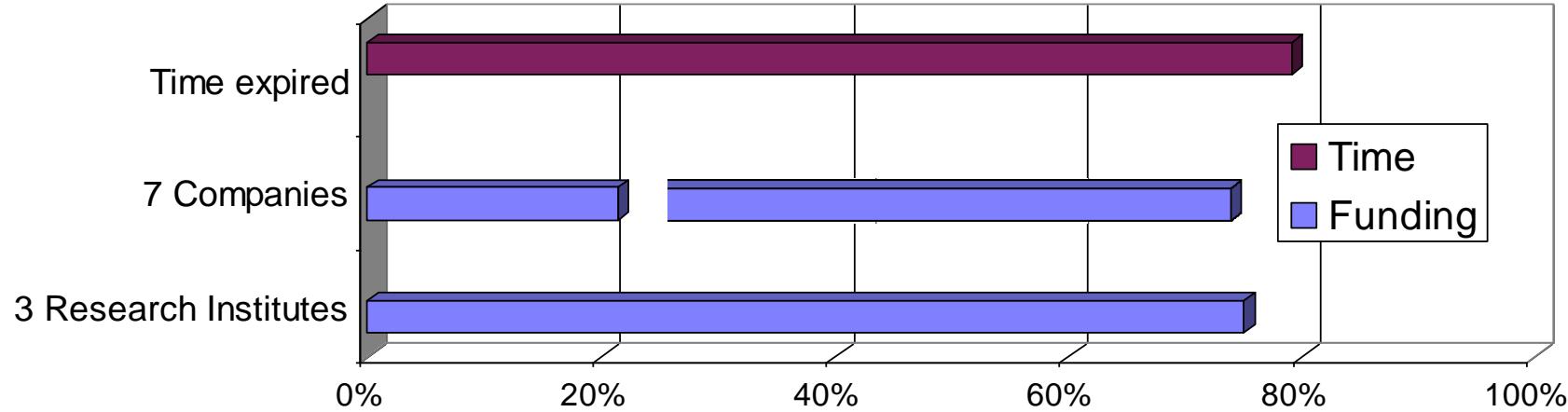


Wood to Methane



Black Liquer to DME

Funding used & New tasks



Summary

- Green hydrocarbon based fuels are essential for a sustainable transport sector
- Combining electrolysis and biomass can increase capacity and reduce cost
- 'Land use' considerations make the the CO₂ Electrofuels business case look attractive for regions with low electricity cost
 - Difficult to quantify future electricity cost fluctuations and hence to make the business case for other regions



Next step is to demonstrate CO₂ Electrofuels w. SOEC on Iceland