# **Spanish Hydrogen Association**

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## "Overview of Hydrogen R&D and Hydrogen Valleys in Spain"

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#### The case of Europe

The case of Spain

#### Cooperation with Japan



#### THE VOICE OF THE HYDROGEN SECTOR IN SPAIN Since 2002



Circa 400 members,

+ Since 2021 the AeH2 has grown by 37%

- + 20 years supporting the sector
- + 15 years of international collaboration



#### In MISSION

Promote and encourage the development and growth of hydrogen technologies in Spain, with the aim of strengthening and enhancing the national industrial fabric.

#### **Ø** VISION

Hydrogen is a key energy vector in the decarbonization of the Spanish economy to achieve climate neutrality in 2050. Hydrogen allows to reactivate, redefine and transform the national economy, through the creation of a technological and productive industrial fabric, and the generation of highly qualified employment.



#### AeH2 Members



Promoters





#### Objectives



#### CLUSTER

To be the gathering place of the sector, bringing together companies, institutions, technology and research institutes and, universities with activity in hydrogen and fuel cells.



#### R&D&i

To promote research and innovation in hydrogen and fuel cells, as well as the promotion of startups and technological knowledge.

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#### DEVELOPMENT

To support the development, promoting the production, storage, and distribution applications of hydrogen, and its use in fuel cells.



#### **EDUCATION**

Offering professional education through specific courses already consolidated with various universities and training centers.



Promoting laws and rules for the regulation of hydrogen as an energy vector.



#### DISSEMINATION

To make hydrogen acknowledged as an energy vector by our society.



#### The European Hydrogen Strategy

- The first phase relies on the installation 6 GW of renewable hydrogen electrolysers in the EU by 2024
- By 2030, the strategic objective is to install at least 40 GW of renewable hydrogen electrolysers.
- In May 2022 was publicated the RepowerEU plan. The Commission outlines a 'hydrogen accelerator' concept to scale up the deployment of renewable hydrogen, which will contribute to accelerating the EU's energy transition and decarbonising the EU's energy system.
  - The REPowerEU plan's ambition is to produce 10 million tonnes and import 10 million tonnes of renewable hydrogen in the EU by 2030





#### The European Hydrogen Backbone (EHB)

- The "European Hydrogen Backbone" (EHB) initiative proposes a hydrogen network of 39,700 km by 2040, with further growth after 2040. This network connects 21 European countries. The vision released in 2021 follows the EHB report published in 2020; that report described a 23,000 km network covering just ten countries.
- Approximately 69% of the proposed hydrogen network consists of reused existing natural gas networks. The remaining 31% of newly built pipelines are needed to connect new buyers and are located in countries with small gas networks today, but high hydrogen demand and supply in the future.





#### Underground Hydrogen storage

- It is estimated that 5 to 12 Million tons of hydrogen should be stored along the European Union.
- Europe has many usable salt deposits and many salt caverns that could be useful in that sense.



Source A review at the role of storage in energy systems with a focus on Power to Gas and long-term storage - Scientific Figure on ResearchGate. Available from: https://www.researchgate.net/figure/Underground-salt-deposits-and-cavern-fields-in-Euro pe-225\_fig5\_319417820 [accessed 26 Mar, 2020]



#### Spain's Hydrogen Potential



Allows greater penetration of renewable energies in the mix



Transversality: transport, industry, electricity production and buildings decarbonization



Key for technological partnerships and circular economy



Huge potential for renewable hydrogen production. Strategic geographical position



Self-sufficiency and potential to become a reference hydrogen exporter

Great opportunity for economic and technology development



#### Spain's Hydrogen Roadmap

"Hydrogen Roadmap: a commitment to renewable hydrogen" 6<sup>th</sup> October 2020 - Approved in Council of Ministers



The Roadmap offers a 2030 and 2050 Vision, establishing ambitious country goals in 2030, which foresee an installed capacity of electrolyzers of 4 GW and a series of milestones in the industrial sector, mobility and the electricity sector, for which It will be necessary to mobilize investments estimated at 8,900 million euros during the 2020-2030 period.

The renewable potential of our country represents a great opportunity for the development of these technologies and the national business fabric, being able to turn Spain into a hydrogen-exporting country if the appropriate decisions are made





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#### PERTE on hydrogen

The Ministry for the Ecological Transition and the Demographic Challenge (MITECO) has published the first PERTE ERHA grants: renewable energies, renewable hydrogen and storage.

- ✓ It will allow the mobilization of 16,370€ million.
- ✓ Creation of 280,000 jobs (direct and indirect).
- ✓ Public investment: 6,920 M€.
- ✓ Private investment: 9,450 M€.







#### Hydrogen storage and distribution in Spain



Source: Enagás

The gas infrastructure in Spain is very important and a strength:

- Large natural gas storage, transportation and distribution network.
- 13,000 km of gas pipelines.
- 80,000 km of distribution network.
- 6 regasification plants.
- 3 strategic storages.
- 6 international connections linking the gas system with France, Portugal and North Africa.



#### Use for clean heat and power

Clean heating and power can be provided combined with renewable energy and using green hydrogen.



 The construction and application of a renewable hydrogen production and supply infrastructure with the aim of supplying homes are also being established.

In Spain, several projects are emerging to use clean energy and heat.

• Many of them are emerging to use renewable gas and green hydrogen for homes.





#### Use for clean heat and power

#### **Green Hysland**

GREEN HYSLAND aims to deploy a fully-functioning Hydrogen (H2) ecosystem on the island of Mallorca, Spain, turning the island into Europe's first H2 hub in Southern Europe. This will be achieved by producing green hydrogen from solar energy and delivering it to the end users, such as the island's tourism, transport, industry and energy sectors, including gas grid injection for green heat and power local end-use.



The project has a duration of 5 years (2020-2025) and has the participation and collaboration of a consortium formed by more than 30 entities, including the Spanish Hydrogen Association.

It will be first industrial-sized green hydrogen plant in Spain, which will produce at least 300 tonnes per year to serve various energy needs on the Balearic island.





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#### Hydrogen valleys

Hydrogen Valleys have become a global phenomenon with integrated projects emerging all around the world.

NextGen-EU funds can also be a mechanism to promote these types of projects throughout the European Union.

- Spain is one of the most likely territories to become a benchmark hub for the hydrogen economy in Europe.
- There are currently several hydrogen valley projects in Spain. In addition, many initiatives are emerging nowadays.
- Currently, in Spain, one of the most important projects is Green Hysland (mentioned before).









#### Hydrogen valleys

#### Basque Hydrogen Corridor

It counts with +78 entities. This project is based on a comprehensive strategy, which includes 34 projects from the entire value chain and aims to be a lever to transform the productive fabric and manage to maintain the weight of industry in our economy.

# BASQUE HYDROGEN CORRIDOR

#### Hydrogen Valley Catalonia

Hydrogen valley Catalonia works to consolidate an integrated ecosystem around the hydrogen value chain, a vital energy vector to achieve the objective of climate neutrality, in parallel to increasing business competitiveness and improving people's well-being.





#### Hydrogen valleys

#### Ebro Corridor

Aragon has been the setting chosen to present the Ebro Hydrogen Corridor, a project that seeks to boost interterritorial connection and serve as a link between the major regional initiatives around renewable hydrogen that are already underway in northeastern Spain.

El Corredor del Ebro une a Aragón, Cataluña, Navarra y País Vasco. BioHidrógeno

#### SHYNE

The SHYNE (Spanish Hydrogen Network) project, the largest renewable hydrogen consortium in Spain, made up of 33 entities from different sectors. SHYNE aspires to be a benchmark project in Europe, structuring new opportunities throughout the value chain.



#### Hydrogen Valley Andalusia

A megaproject called the Andalusian Hydrogen Valley, which contemplates the development of two production plants for this clean fuel. A company plans to invest 5,000 million euros in six years to start up this hydrogen hub,





#### Collaborations





#### Collaboration: Spain-Japan

#### MOU between AeH2 and JH2A:

 On October 14<sup>th</sup>, 2022, both associations established a non-binding strategic partnership to build a practical environment to exchange ideas and collaborate.









#### Collaboration: Spain-Japan

Potential areas of cooperation:

- Renewable Hydrogen production
- Fuel cells and FC systems
- CHP and Micro CHP

Through different approaches:

- R&D; universities and research centers
- Companies
- Projects
- Investments











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# Thank you for your attention

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