

# Hydrogen

The missing piece to reach net zero emission targets

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# ICIS Power and Hydrogen

- Consistent with ICIS carbon
- Portal and data access
- API and marketplaces

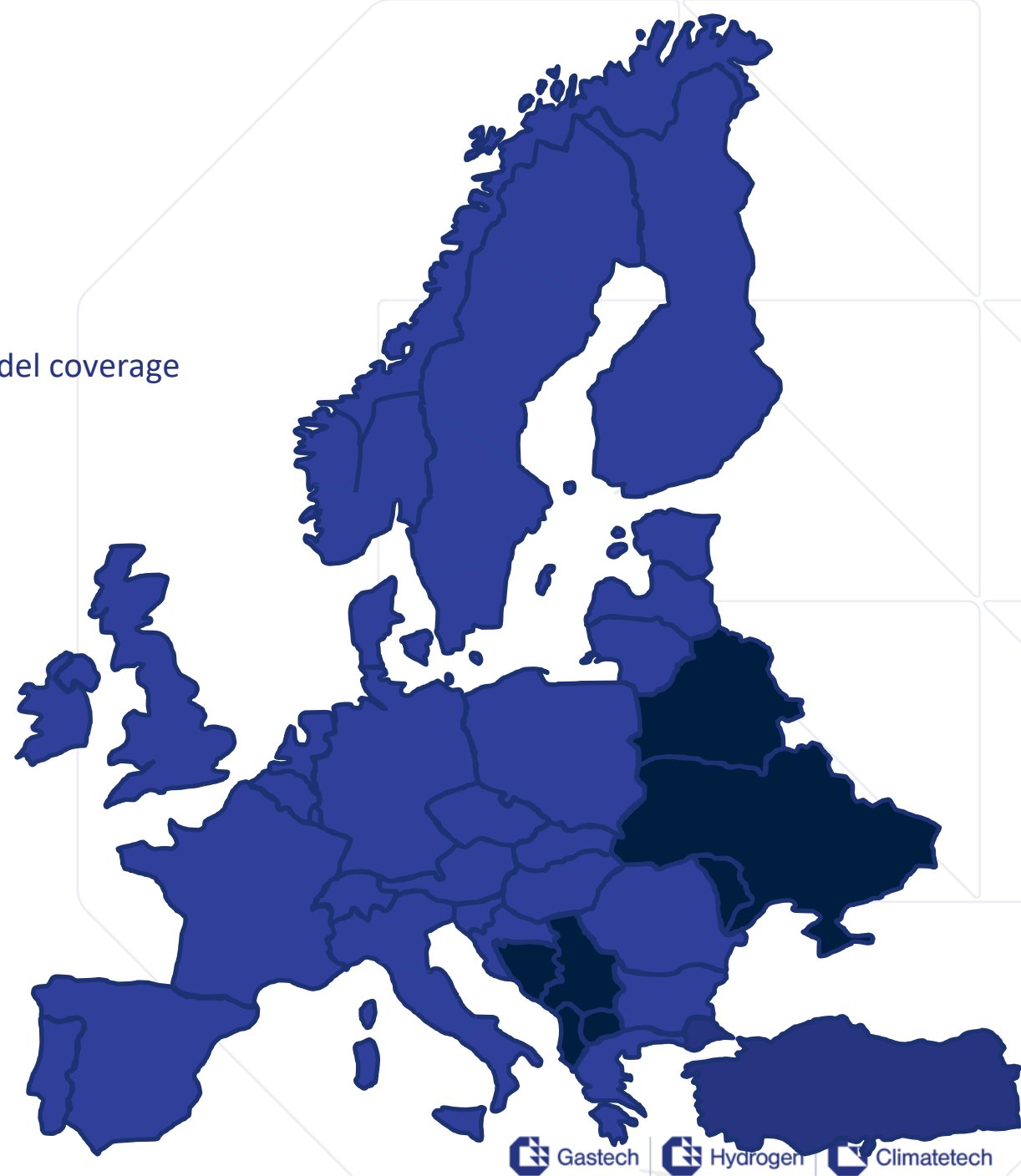
- Daily updates for the liquid curve
- Quarterly updates to 2050
- Hourly granularity



- Price: for power and hydrogen
- Demand: total consumption, sector breakdown where data available
- Weather: solar, wind, temperature, hydro
- Generation: hourly generation based on power plant database with 7000+ units
- Flows: cross-border transmission
- Storage: batteries, hydro storage
- Infrastructure: capacities, outages
- Capture rates: technology-specific
- PPA: analysis and valuation

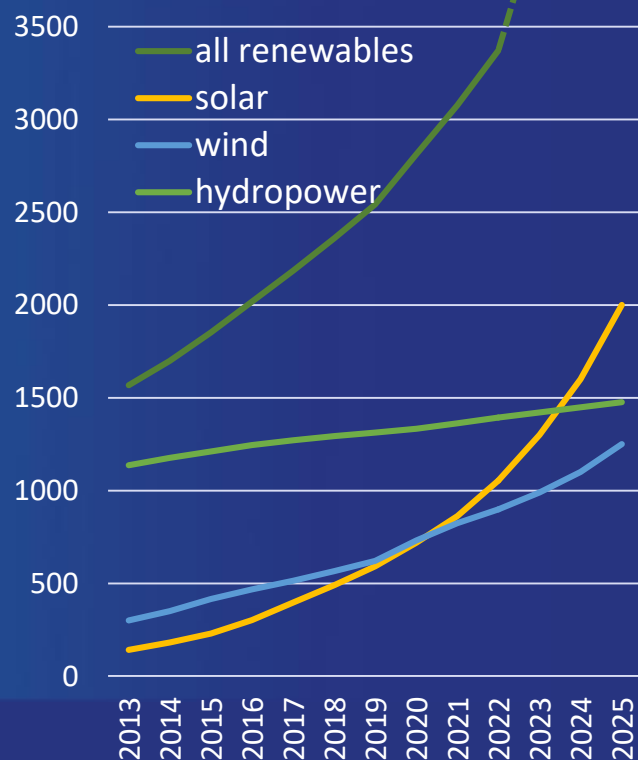


■ Model coverage



# Why renewables will succeed over fossil fueled plants

Global build-out in GW



## Obstacles on the way

- Potential learning curve setbacks
- Raw material price shocks
- Trade war
- Natural build-out boundaries
- Country specific effects
- Canibalisation
- Grid restrictions

## LCOE and learning curves

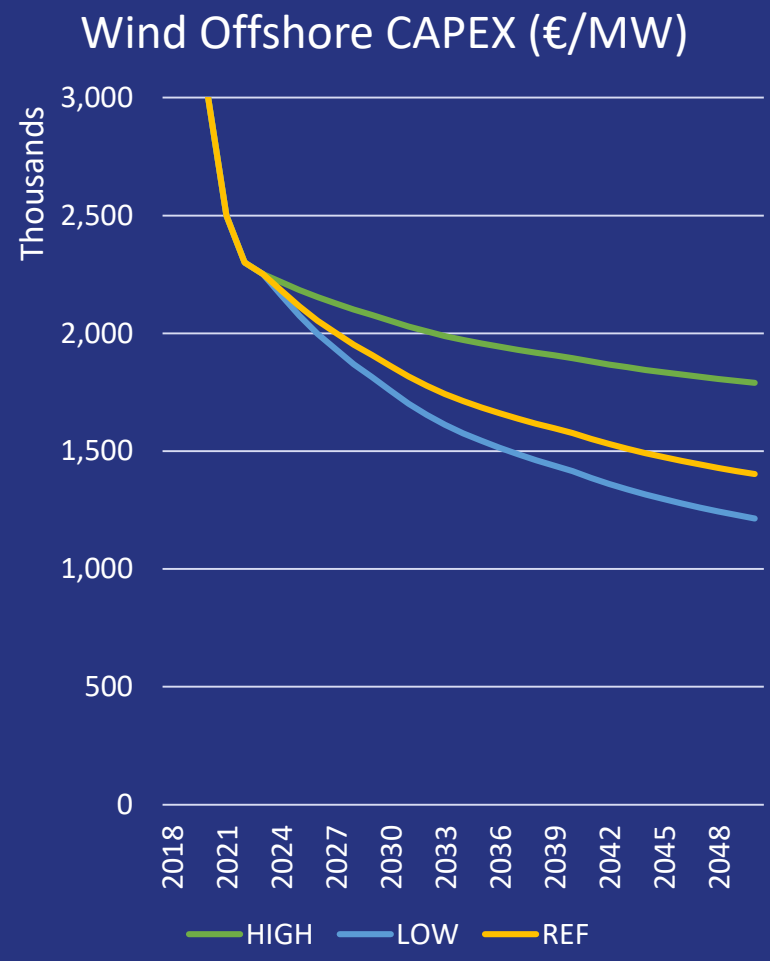
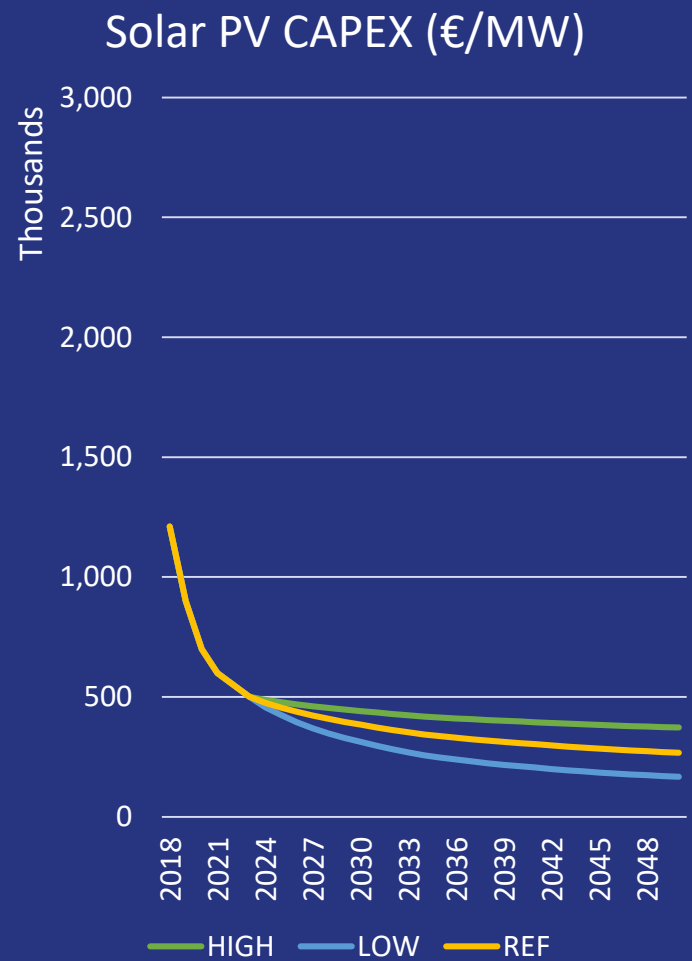
- The decrease in LCOE of renewable energy sources follows a typical learning curve behaviour
- The more global build-out the lower the costs
- LCOE of thermal power plants mostly depend on fuel prices and operating costs and do not follow a learning curve

# What is the risk associated with this strategy?

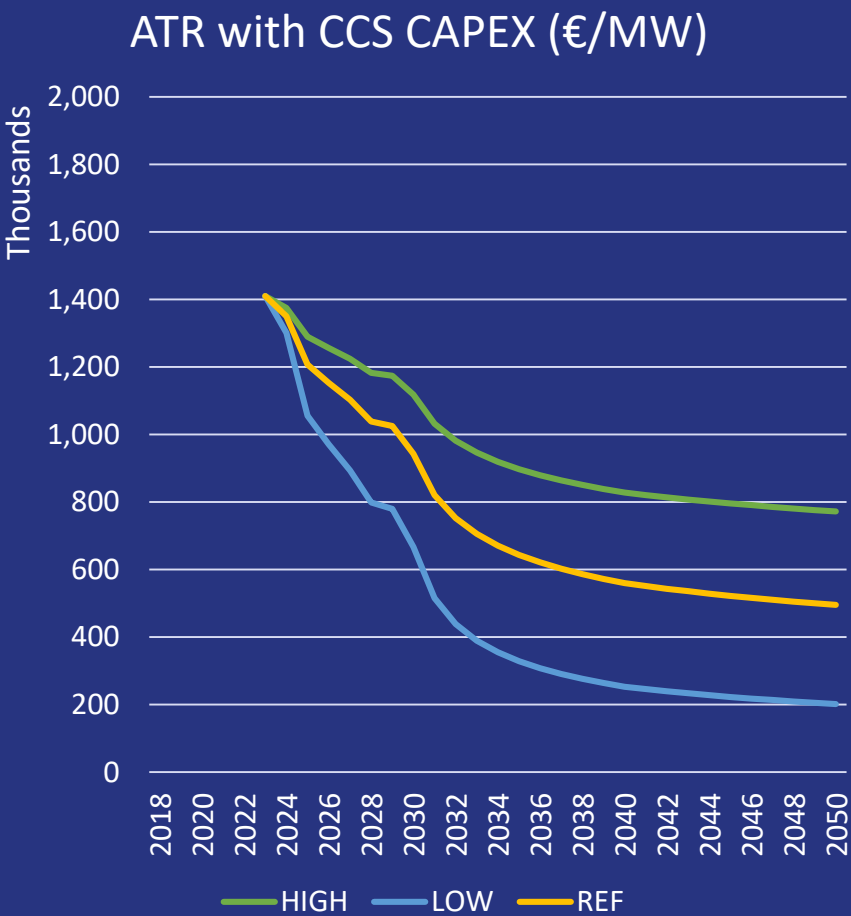
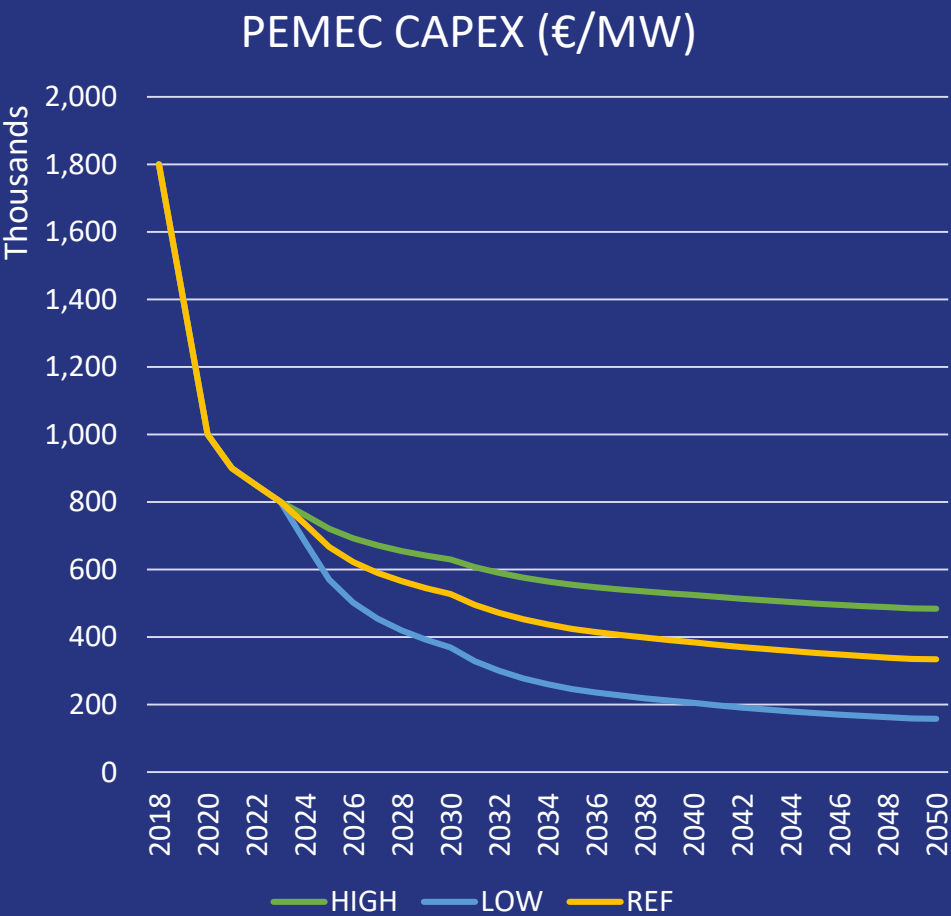
- Strategy: provide a predominant share of all primary energy demand with power and hydrogen in Europe by 2050
- We want to provide scenarios to understand the risk associated with the assumption of falling CAPEX
- We did a case study:
  - REF: our best guess
  - HIGH\_COSTS: using very low learning curves
  - LOW\_COSTS: using a very ambitious learning curves

| Scenario   | Learning rate     | CAPEX       | Fuel prices         | Capacity build-outs |
|------------|-------------------|-------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| REF        | best guess        | IEA average | WEO + own forecasts | Endogenous          |
| HIGH_COSTS | high (worst case) | IEA high    | WEO + own forecasts | Endogenous          |
| LOW_COSTS  | low (best case)   | IEA low     | WEO + own forecasts | endogenous          |

# CAPEX Power Production - Learning curves for solar PV and wind



# Clear trend CAPEX Hydrogen Production



# Hydrogen the silver bullet of decarbonisation?

The role of hydrogen in decarbonisation is often overestimated

- Full decarbonisation is not possible with blue hydrogen using carbon capture and storage (CCS)
- Direct electrification is nearly always the first choice, especially in transport and house heating (Electrolysis efficiency of 65-75%)

Essential for scalability

- A hydrogen pipeline infrastructure
- Producing enough renewable electricity
- Gas reserves with carbon storage possibilities

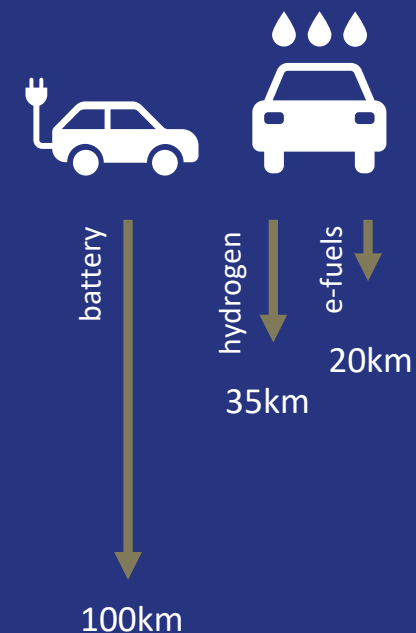
Usage:

- Direct demand: chemicals (ammonia), metals, heat and transport, power sector (fuel cell efficiency 40-60%)
- As many as possible applications will be directly electrified (often efficiency >90%)

The advantage of sector coupling

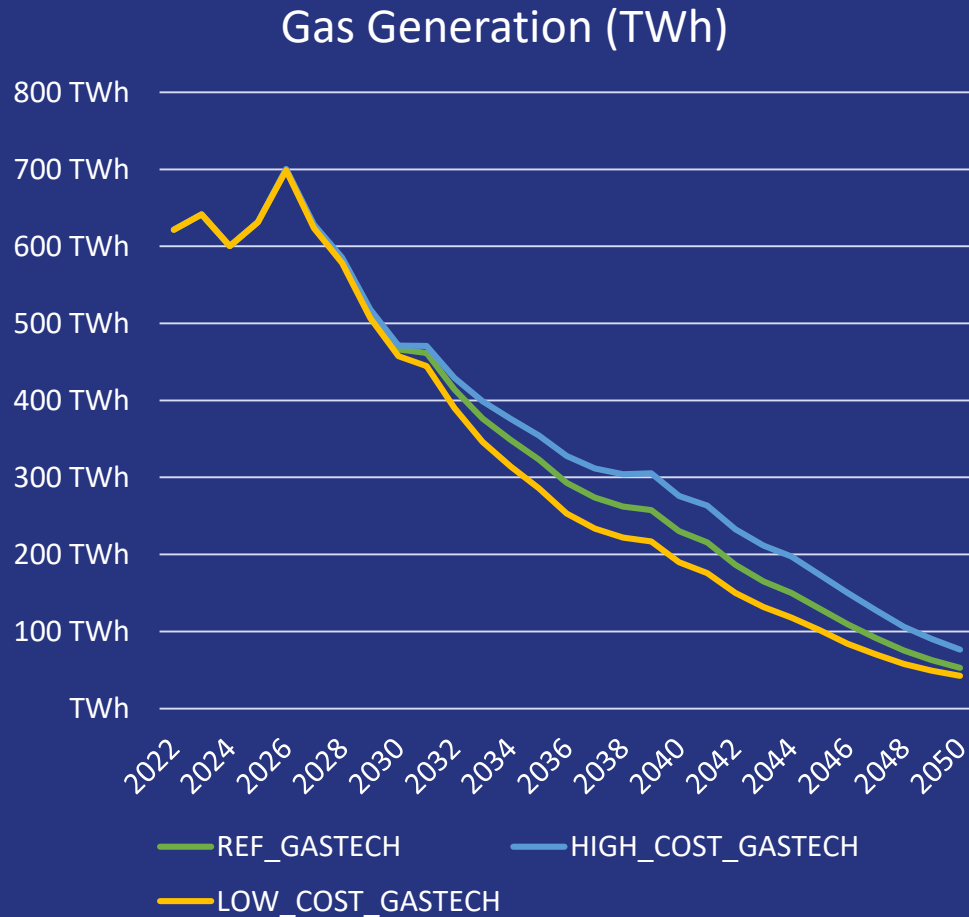
- Hydrogen will play a vital role for the power sector as a flexible demand
- A correlation of electrolysis demand and renewable power generation improves the economics
- Location decisions will be based on storage and transport costs and the comparative advantage of either hydrogen or power

Decarbonisation of transport: range with 15kWh electricity



source: research center for energy networks and energy storage

# Gas will transition from a base load to a backup capacity – CAPEX changes with little impact

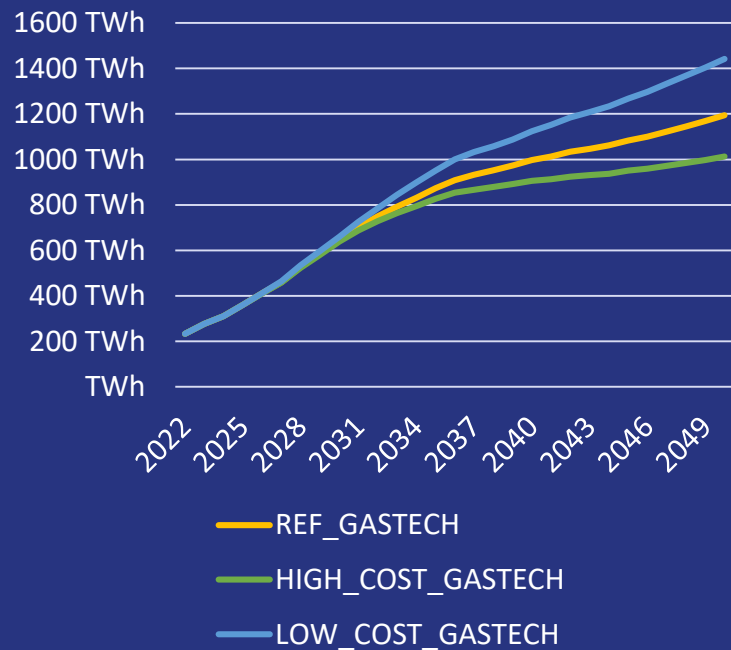


- Installed gas capacity still increasing (+30GW) and peaking in 2030 at around 246GW
- Gas power plants are used as back-up capacity for times with low wind and solar generation
- The utilization of the plants itself is strongly going down from 2026 onwards due to more and more low costs renewable generation
- A change in CAPEX e.g. due to raw material costs will not change this

# Renewable generation in the 3 scenarios

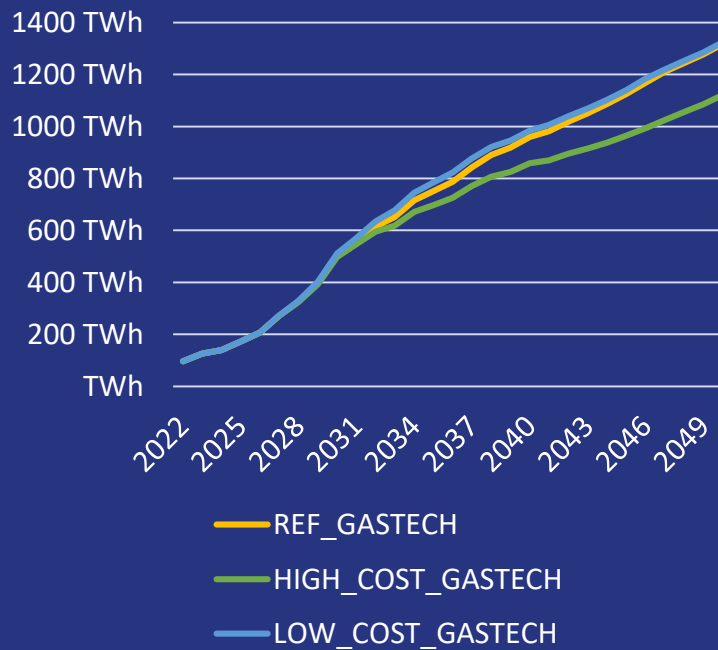
## Solar Generation

- Variation of CAPEX with significant impact due to the steep learning curve
- Hydrogen as an enabler for more solar in LOW COST



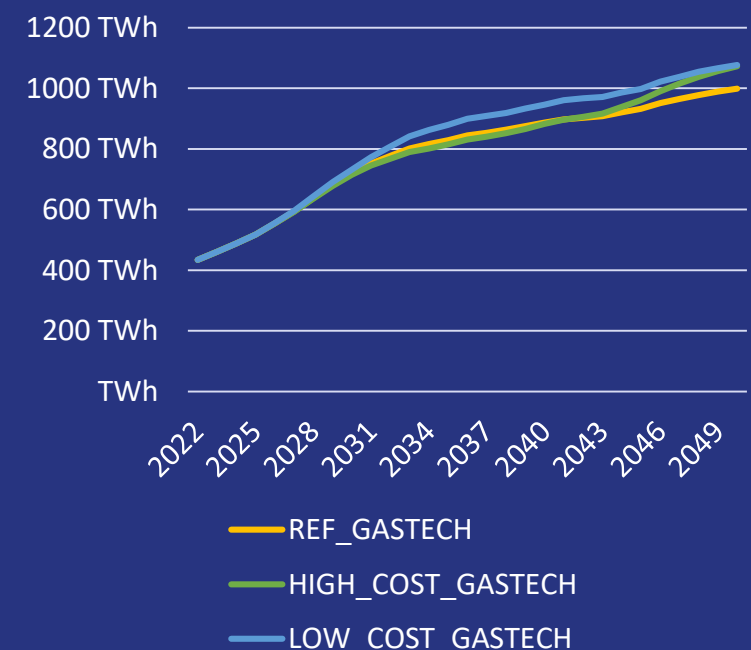
## Wind Offshore Generation

- Natural boundaries hit in REF and LOW COST scenario
- HIGH COST leads to less generation

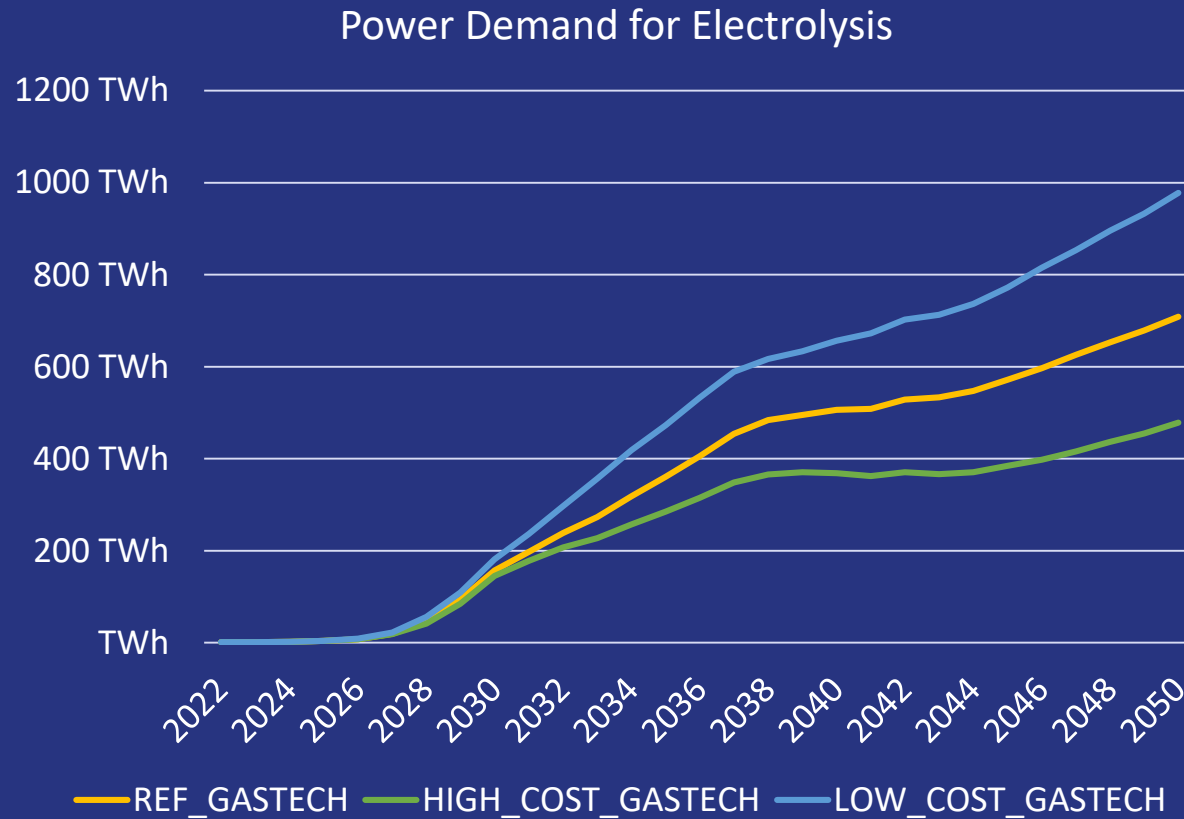


## Wind Onshore Generation

- Less cost sensitive with flatter learning curve
- More generation at HIGH COST to cover for missing solar and wind offshore

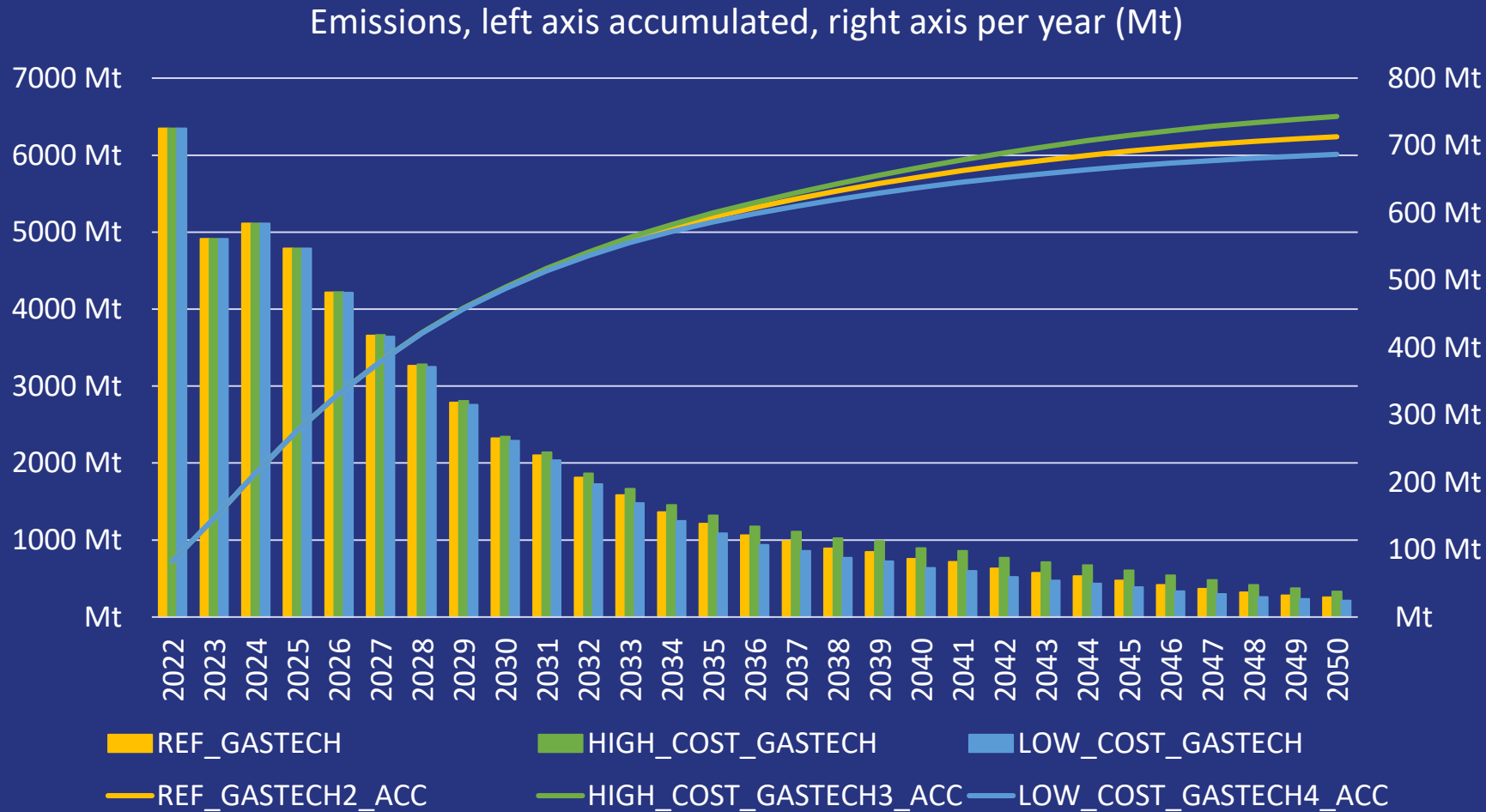


# Low CAPEX for wind and solar will be key for a strong hydrogen economy



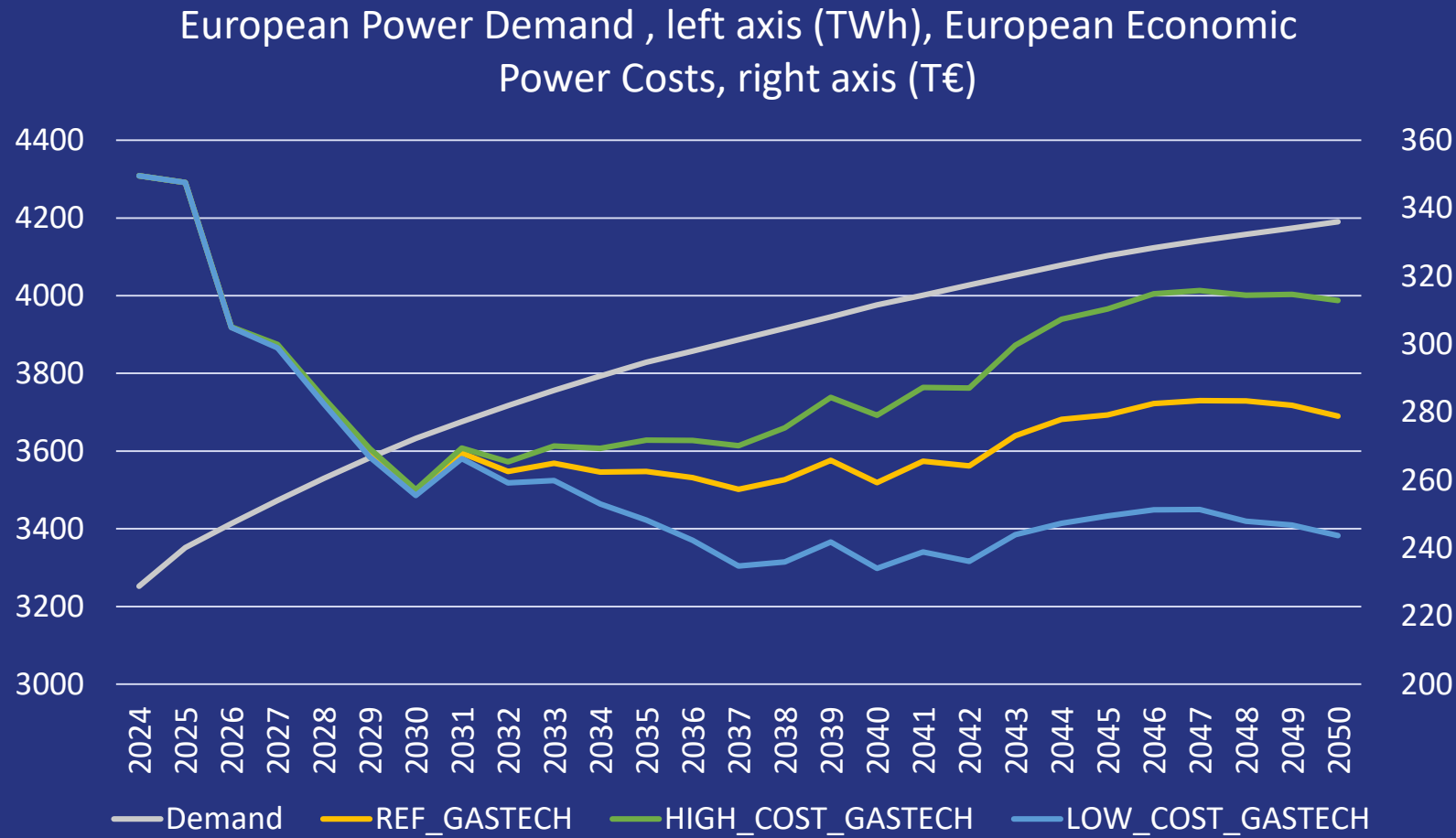
- CAPEX development of solar and wind is key for the European domestic hydrogen sector
- Cost for electricity more important than electrolysis CAPEX itself
- Hydrogen key to enable more renewables, low cost renewables key for hydrogen

# Overall European power sector emission - impact less than 260 Mt



- Due to the massive installations and cost declines of renewables, power sector emissions show a strong downward trend.
- Even disruptions in the learning curves and higher installation costs can neither stop the trend nor delay it significantly in comparison the the overall

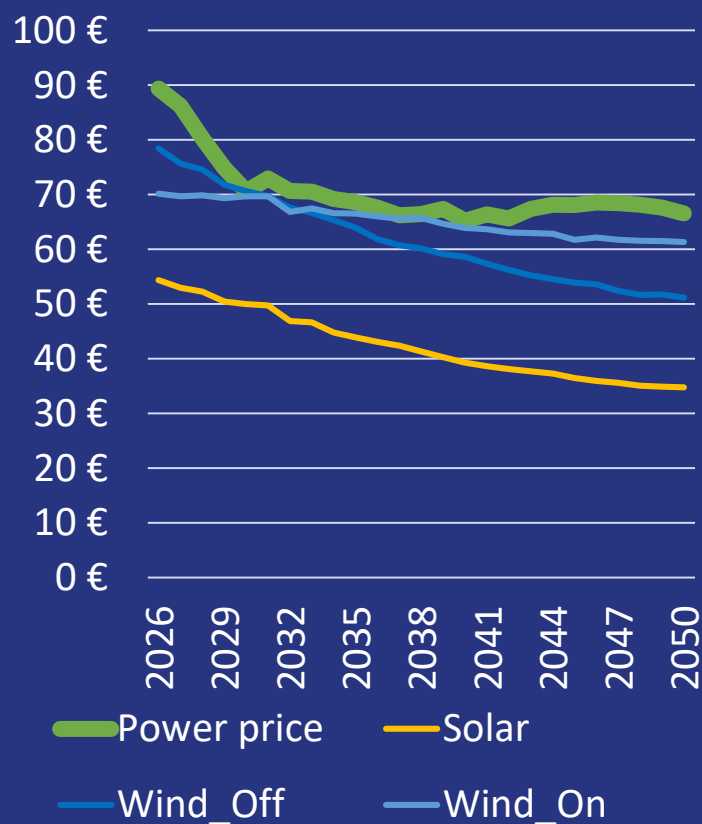
# Higher Material Costs will cost Europe up to €35 billion/yr (about 0.23% of GDP)



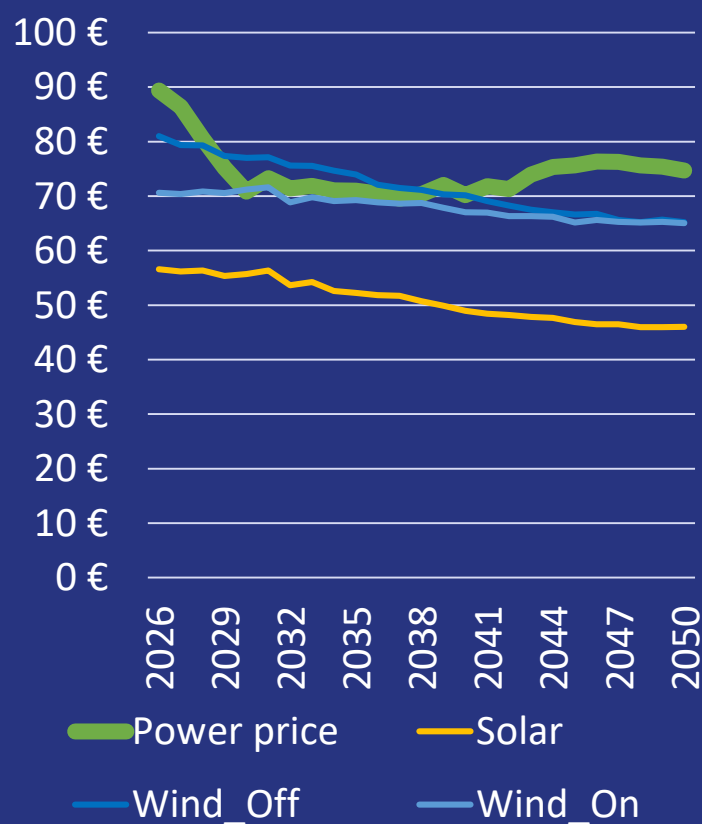
- Overall European electricity supply costs will decrease although demand will grow
- Europe to spend about 2.33% of its GDP on electricity in 2024
- This will go down to 1.86% in 2050
- Even in a high costs scenario, the costs will be significantly lower as today

# LCOE of new installations vs forecasted power price

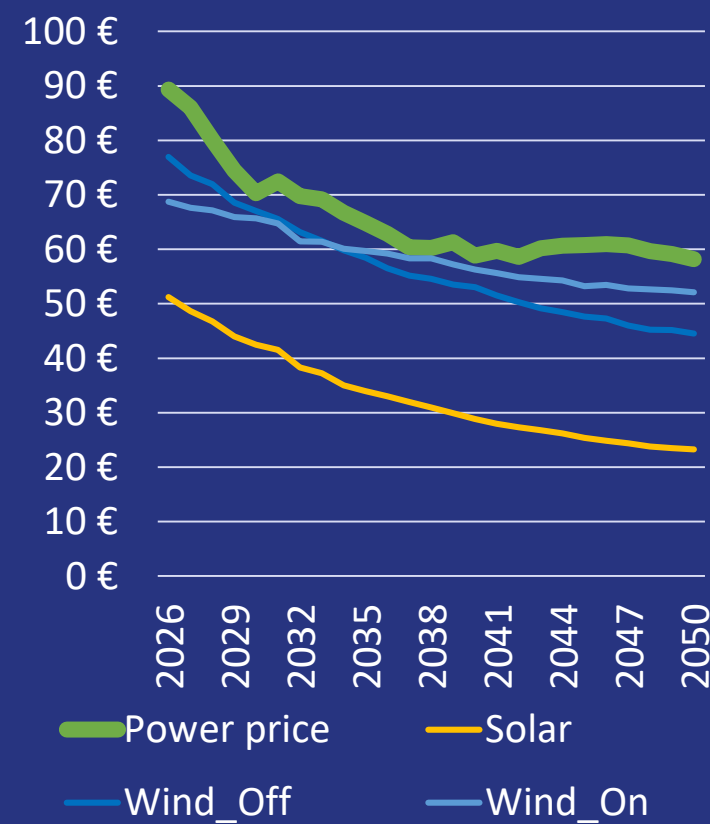
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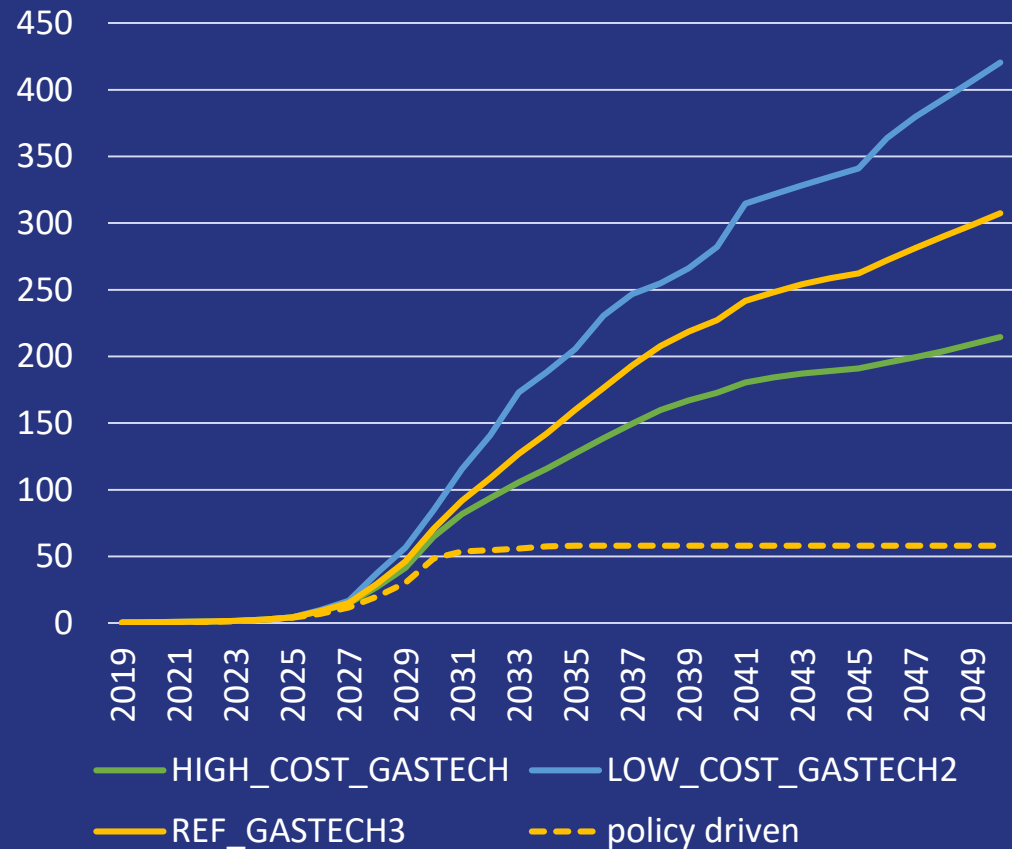


LOW COST

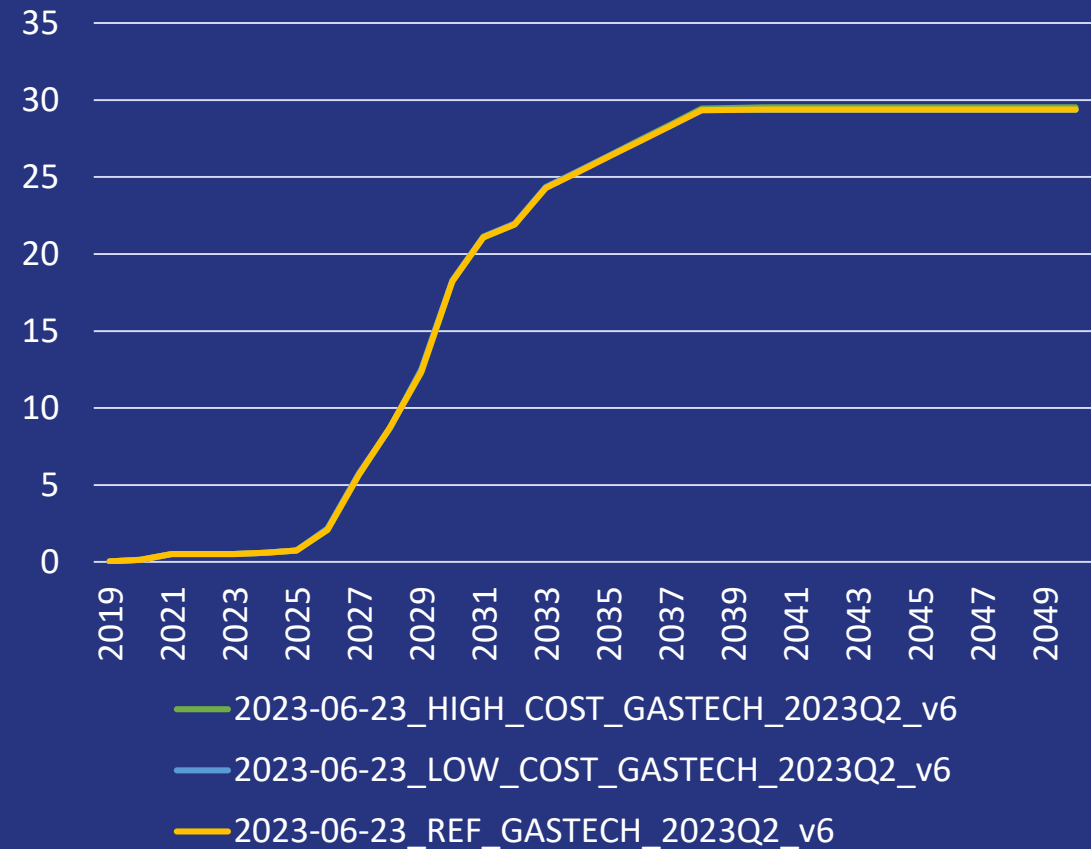


# At least factor 10 between electrolysis and blue hydrogen capacity – regulatory framework unclear

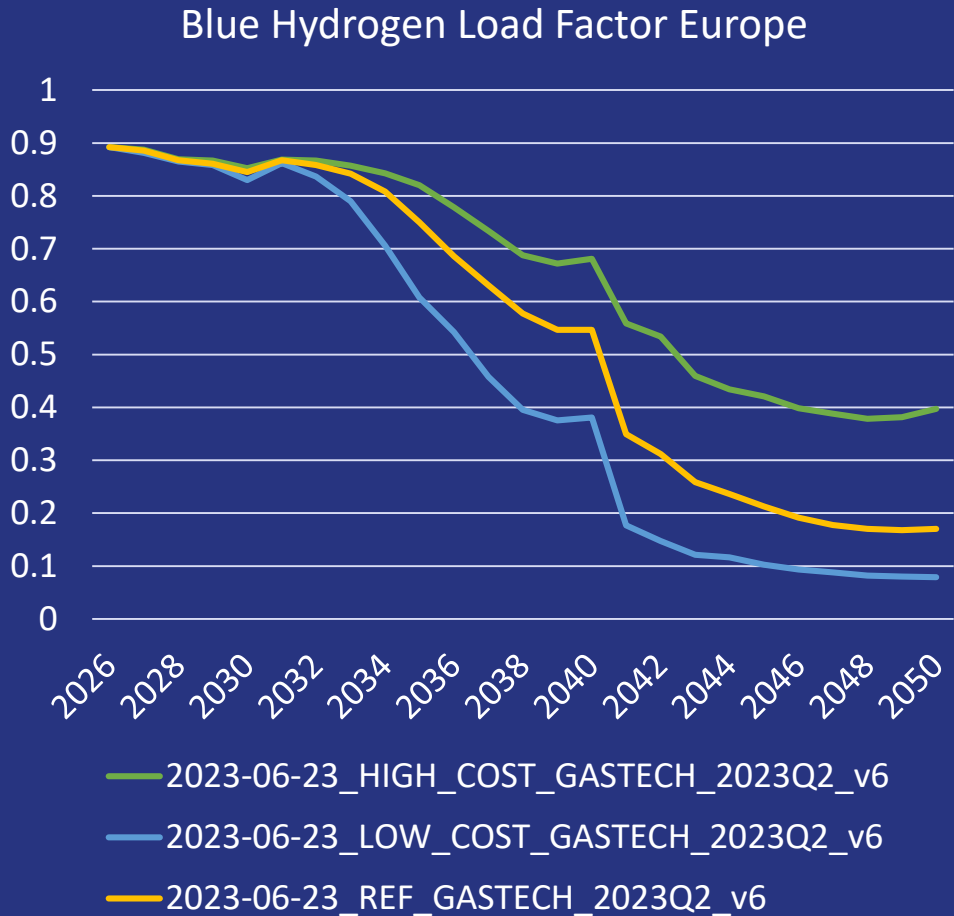
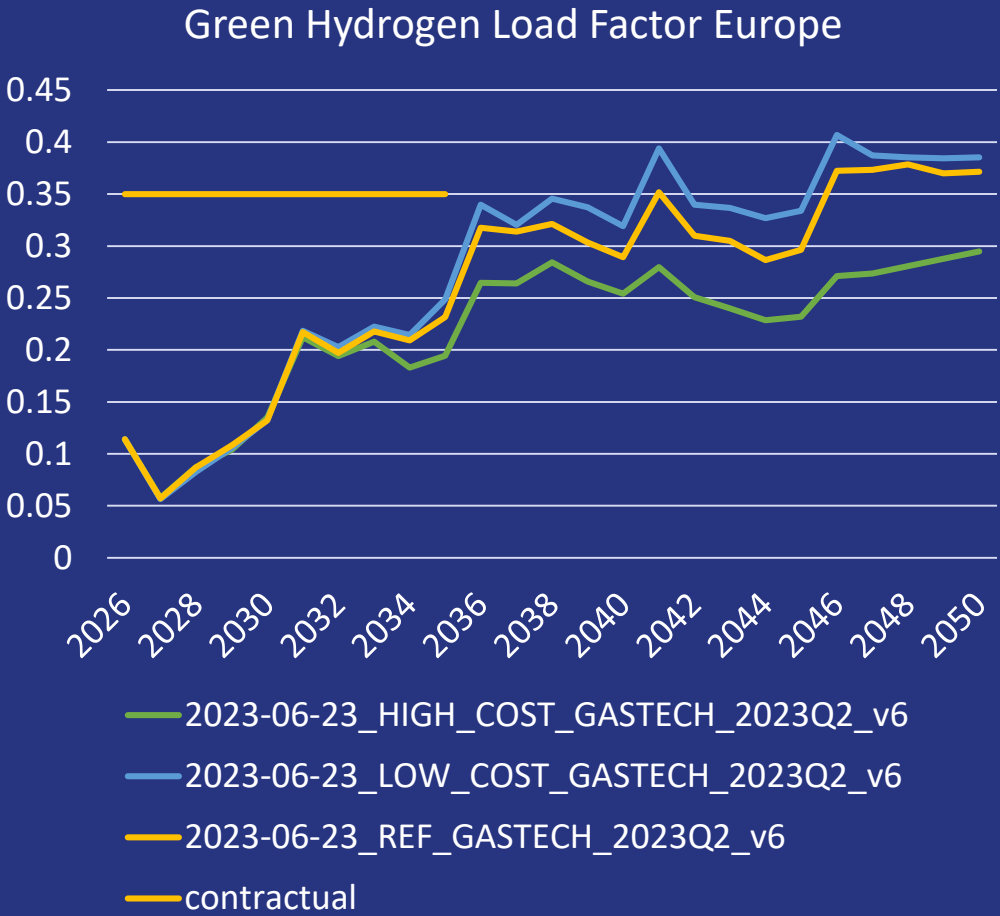
Electrolysis capacity build out (GW)



Blue Hydrogen Capacity Europe (GW)



# Utilization of green and blue capacities vs currently contracted projects



# Conclusion

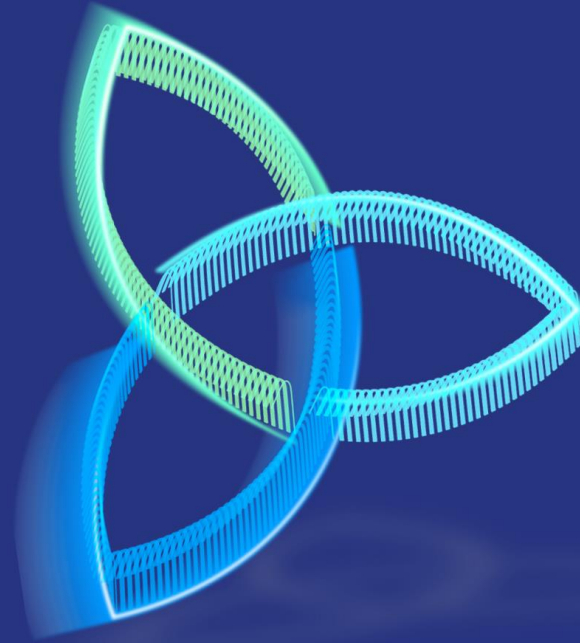
## Hydrogen - The missing piece to reach net zero emission targets

### Decarbonization of Power

- +1,400 GW (+116% ) additional renewable capacity to 2050 in Europe
- +1,900 TWh (+63%) additional power demand for electrification
- Power prices to decrease with CAPEX

### Decarbonization of Hydrogen

- +700 TWh (+350%) additional hydrogen demand
- +250GW electrolyzers capacity in Europe
- Blue Hydrogen mainly in UK and Netherlands
- Hydrogen prices to decrease with CAPEX



### Advantages

- Resilience against fuel price changes
- CAPEX (raw material prices) changes with low impact
- Increased utilisation of renewables (better load factors)

### Disadvantages

- Electrolytic hydrogen expensive due to low full cycle efficiency
- Power and hydrogen infrastructure need to ramp up, gas infrastructure down
- Transport and storage of power remains a challenge

