

# **Energy & Transport**

## *Prospects for hydrogen and fuel cell vehicles*

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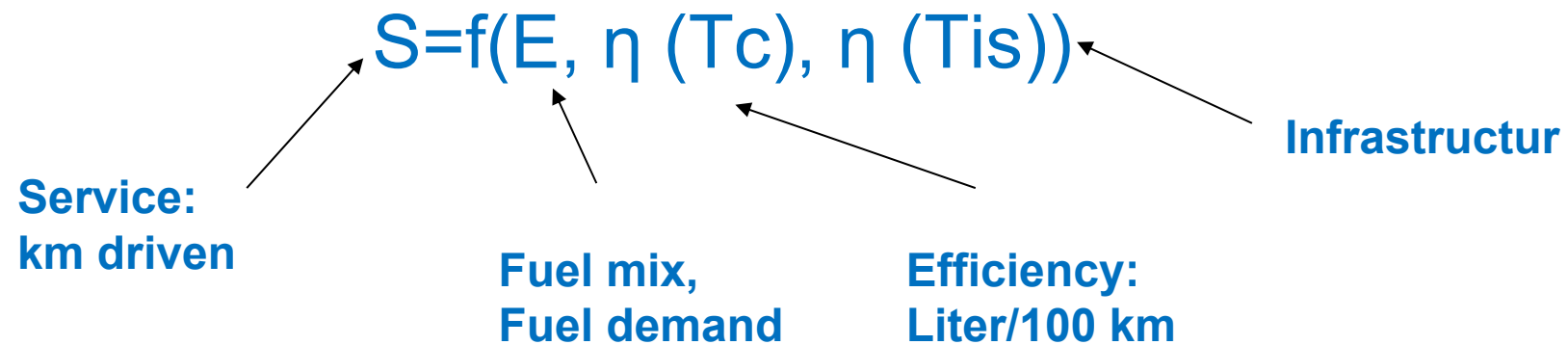
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# *Introduction*

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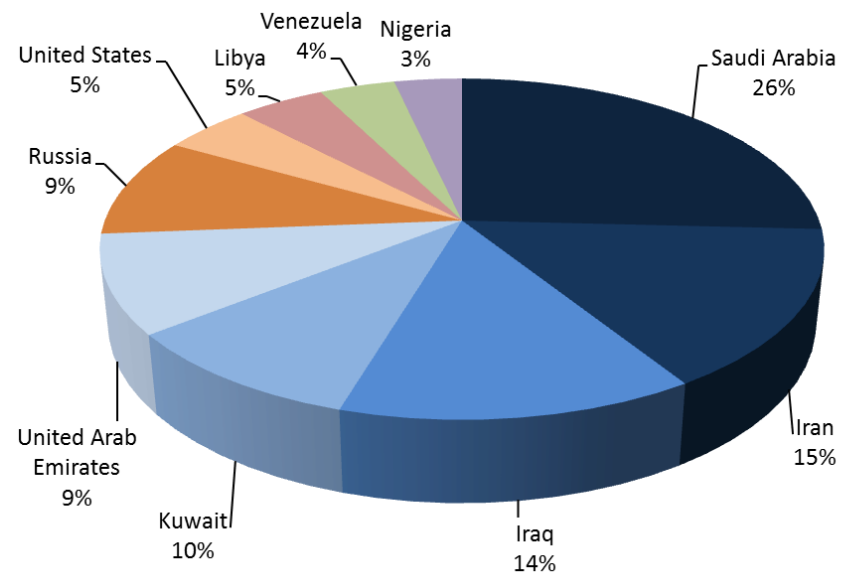
## Basic principle:



## *Transport sector*

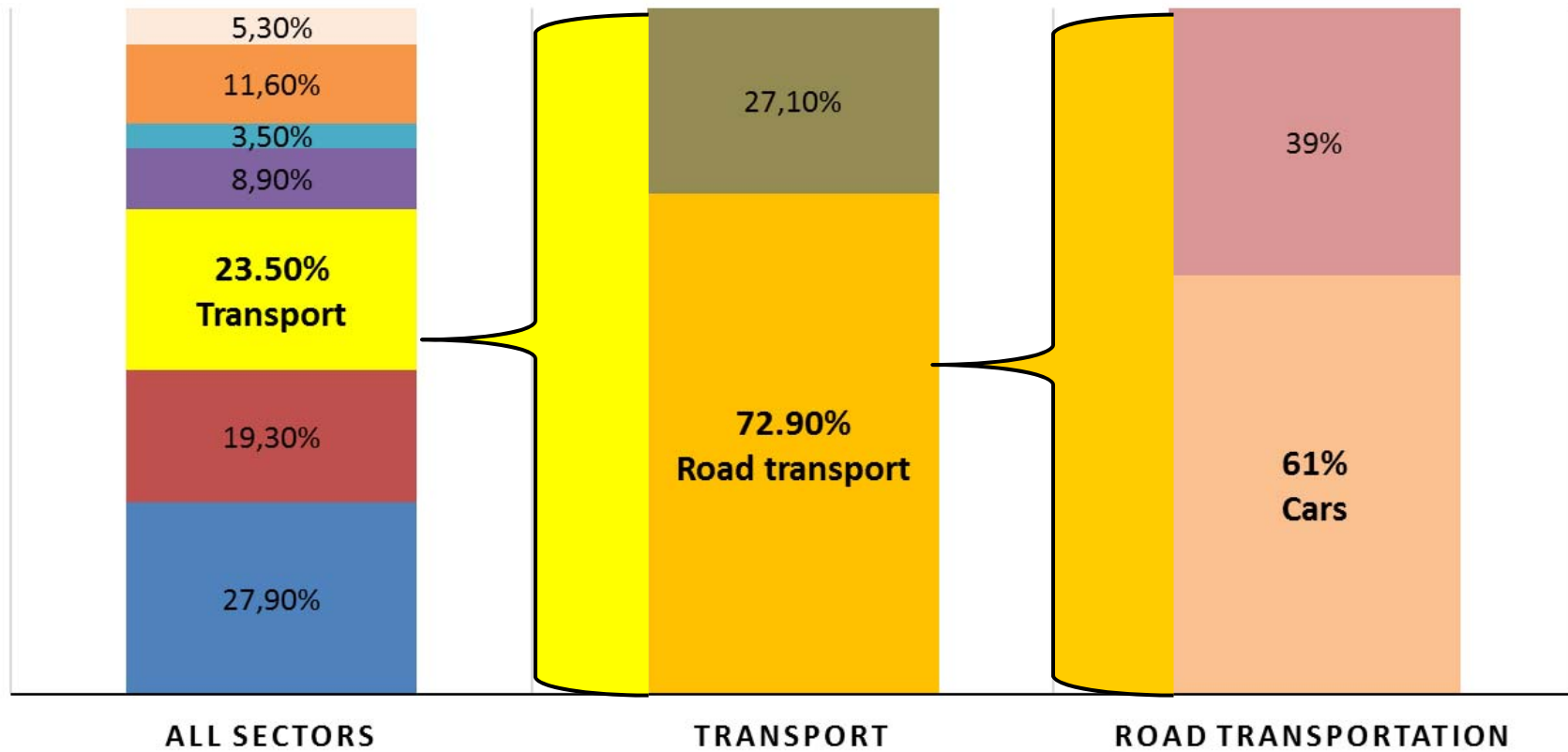
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- oil products
- least-diversified
- energy import dependency



Countries with largest conventional oil reserves

# GHG emissions in EU 28



■ Energy industries

■ Industry

■ Transport

■ Resedential

■ Comercial/institutional

■ Agriculture, forest, fisheries

■ Other sectors

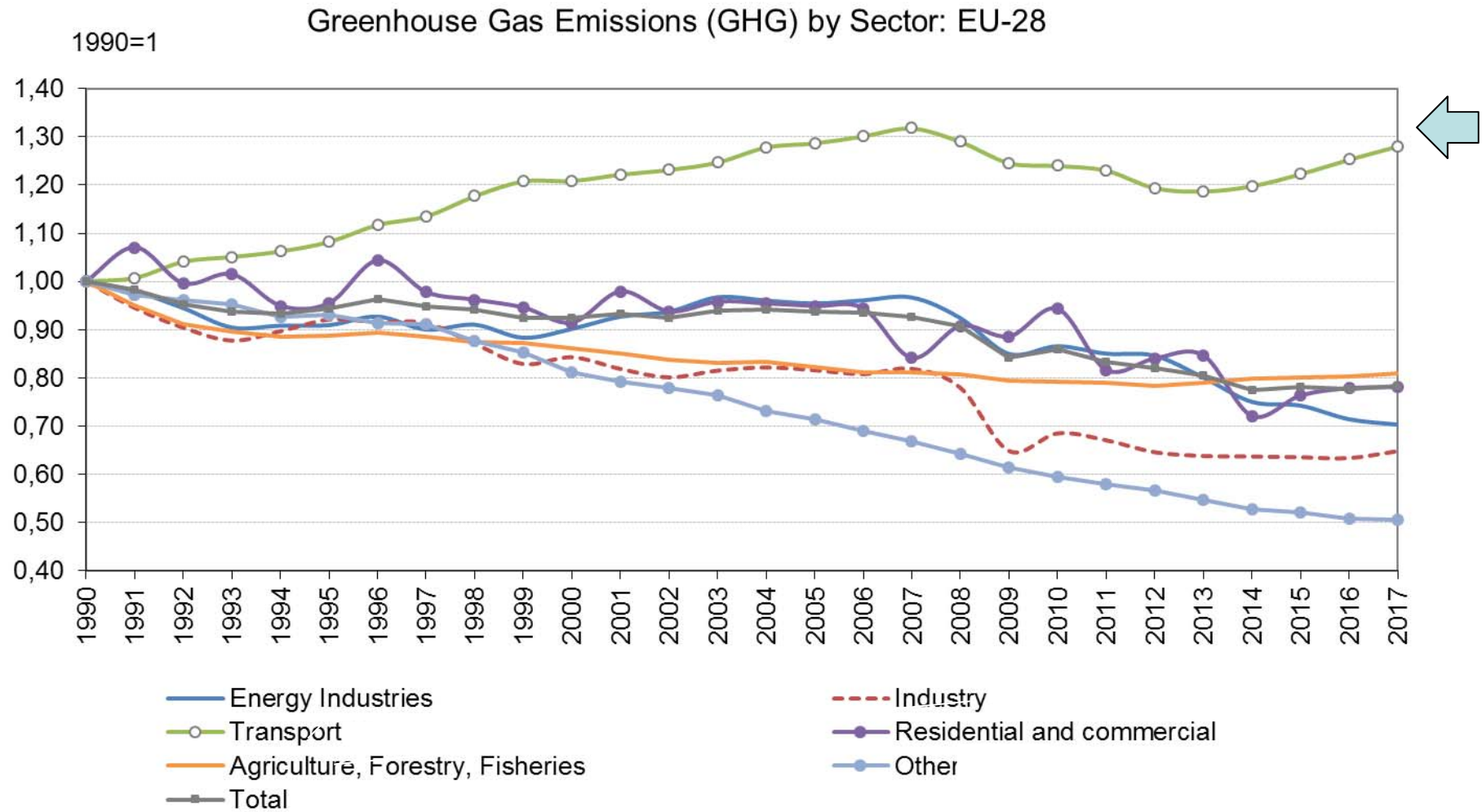
■ Road transportation

■ Other transport modes

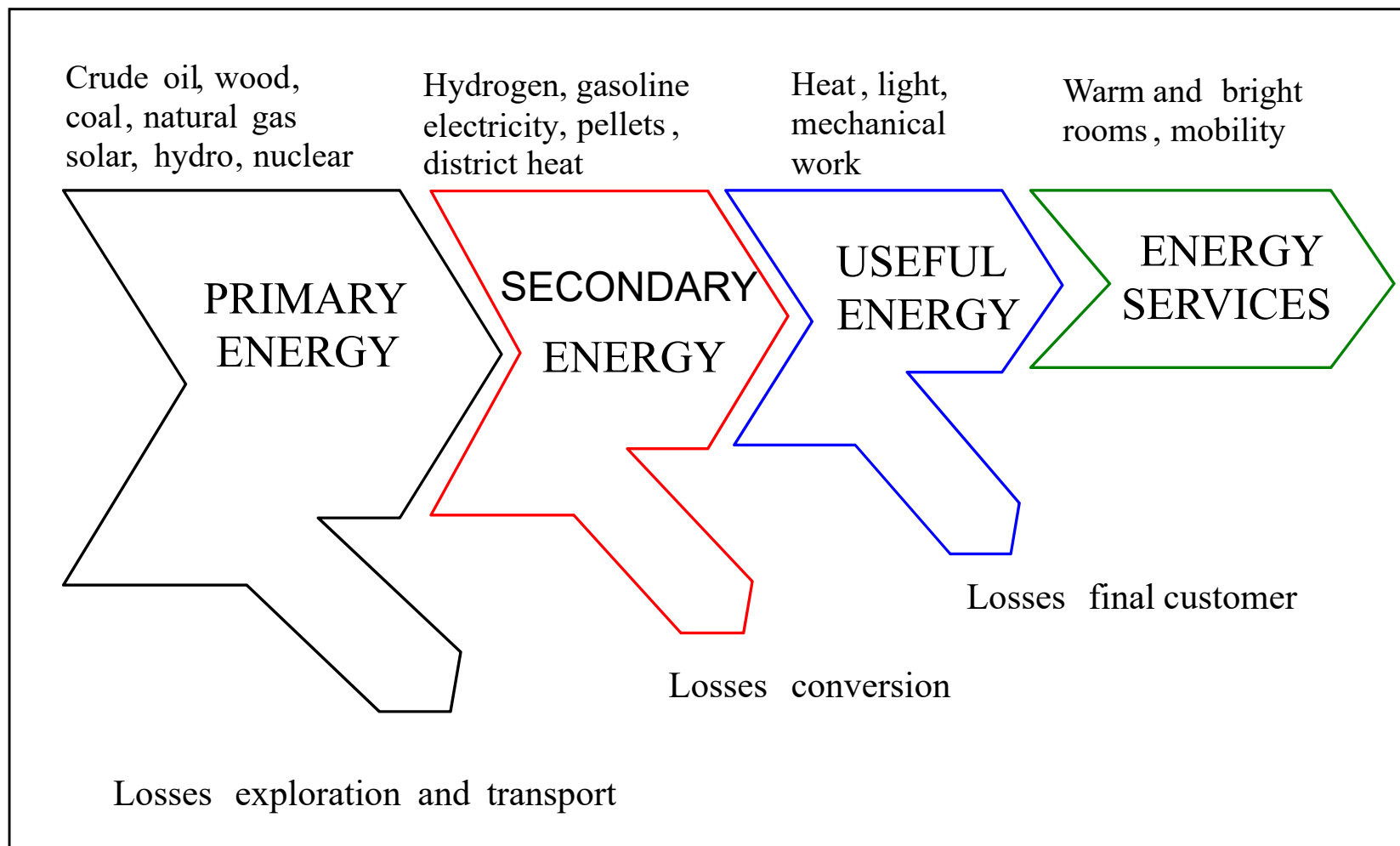
■ Cars

■ Other transport means

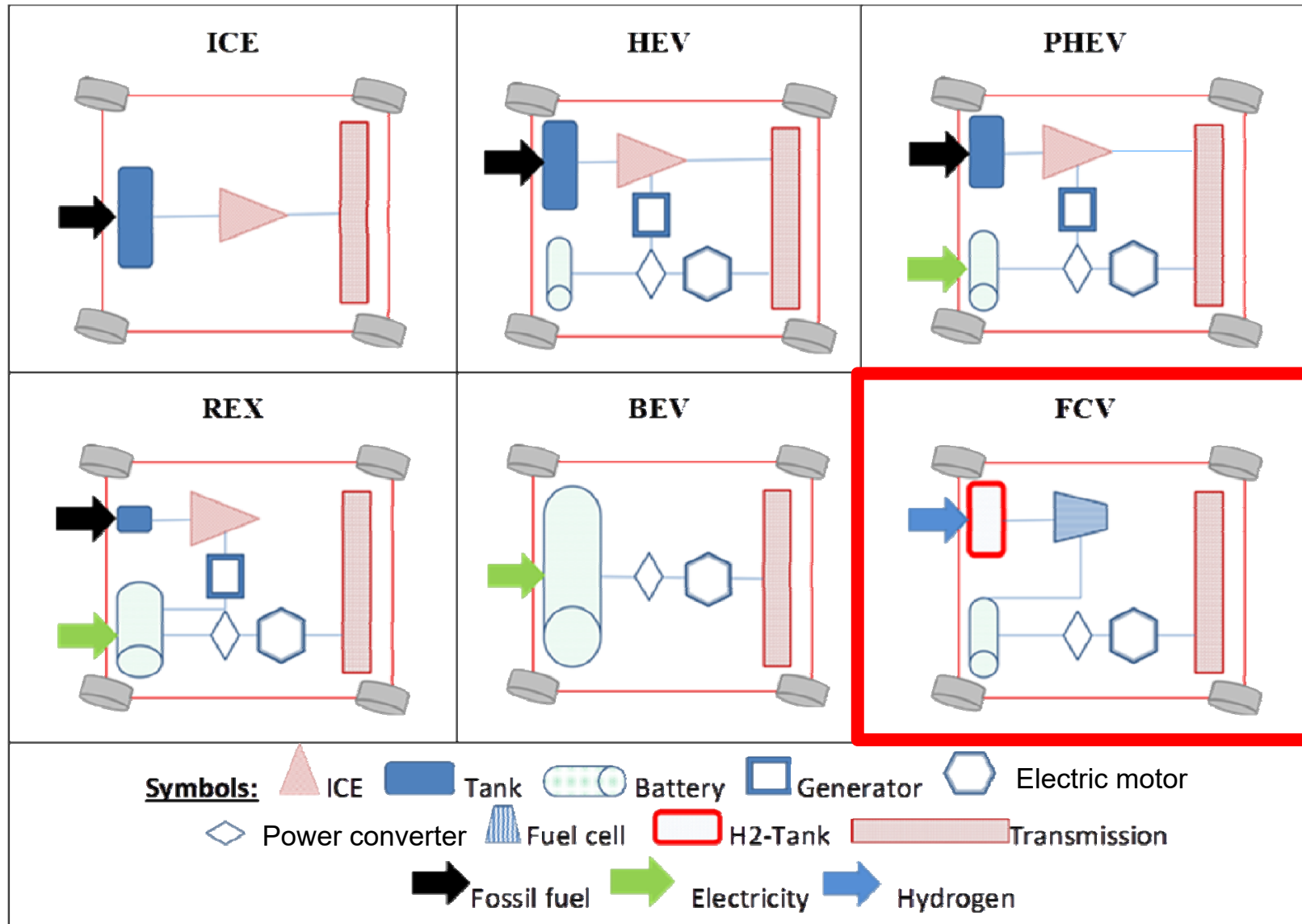
# GHG



# Energy supply chains

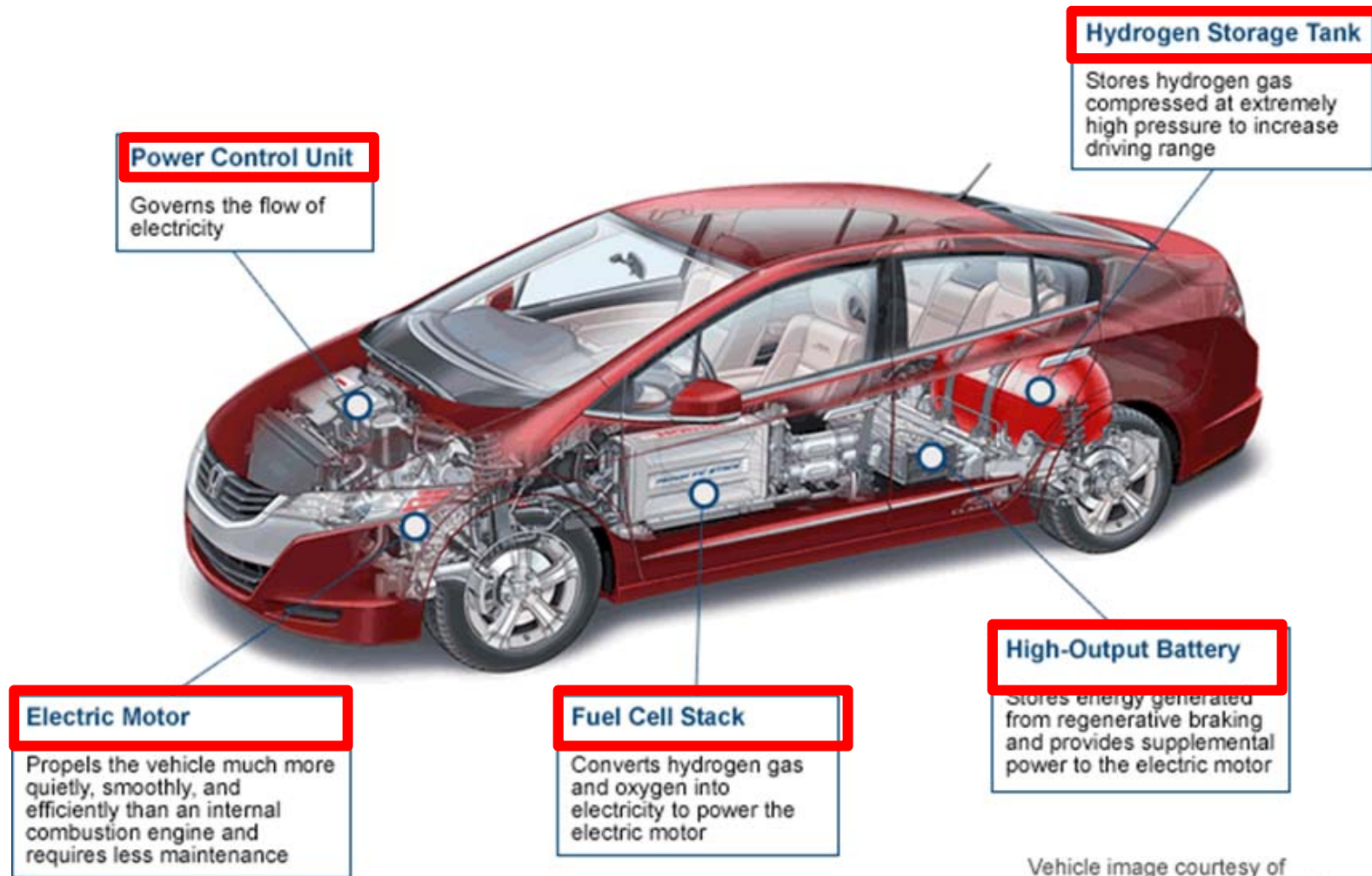


# Electric vehicles



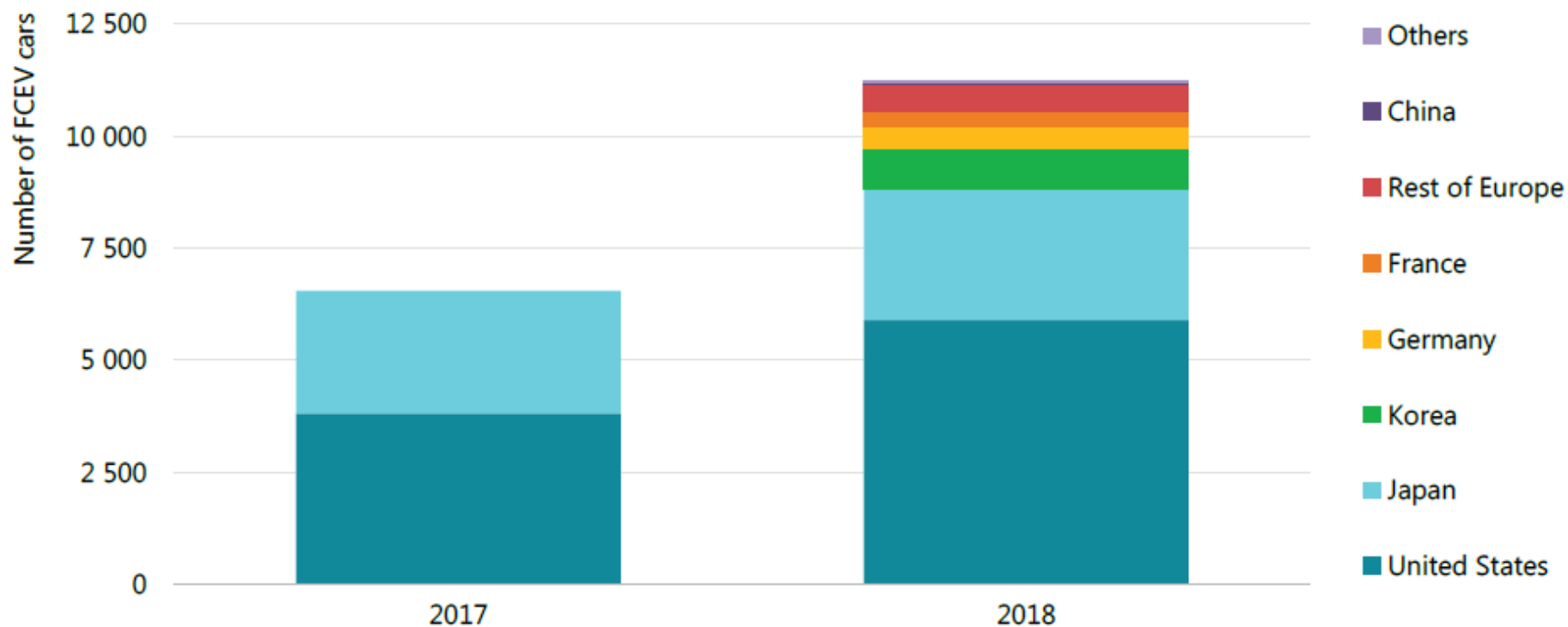


# FCV



Major components of a fuel cell-powered passenger car

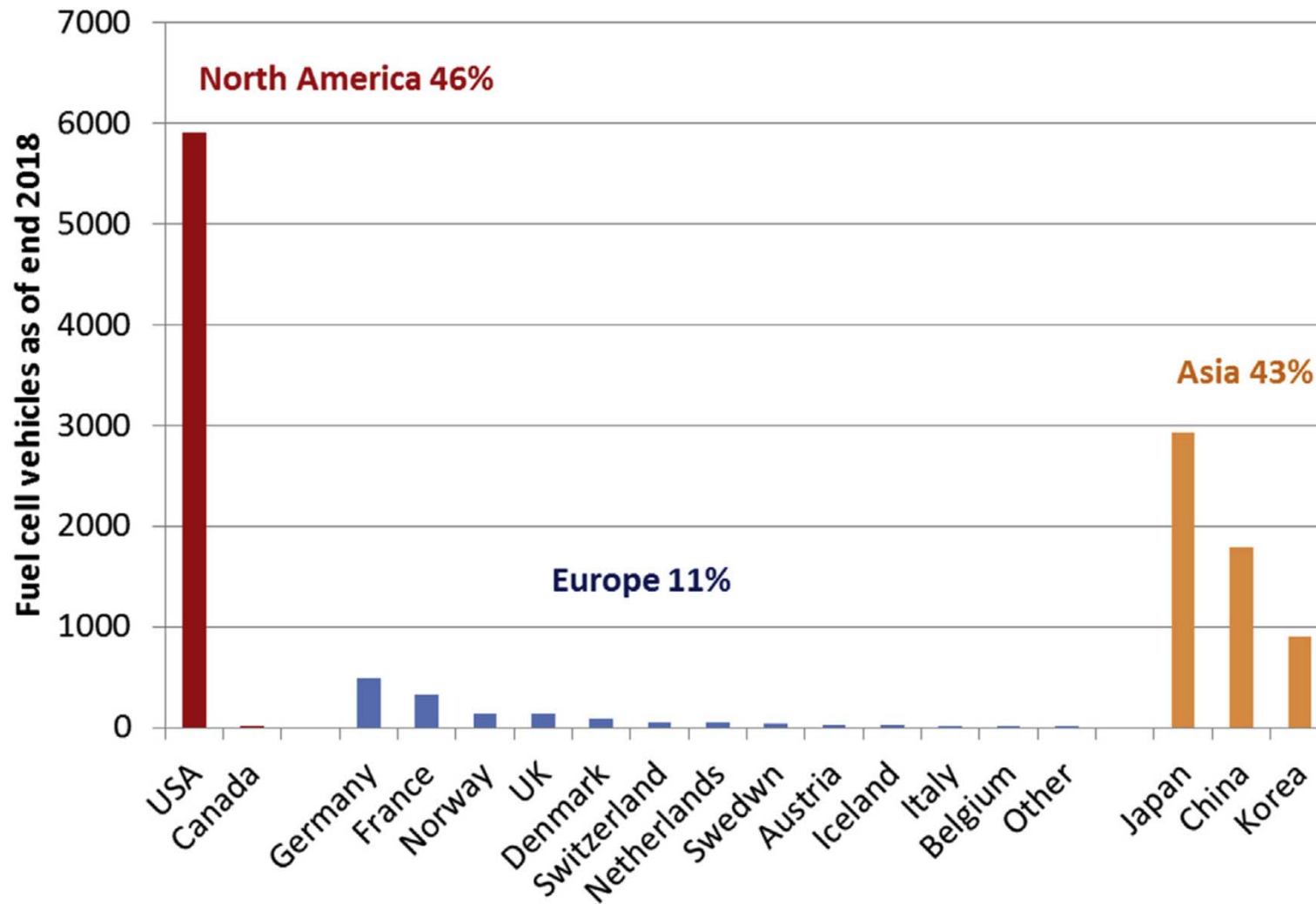
## Fuel cell electric cars



Source: AFC TCP (2019), AFC TCP Survey on the Number of Fuel Cell Electric Vehicles, Hydrogen Refuelling Stations and Targets.

About 4 000 fuel cell electric cars were sold in 2018, growth of almost 56% over the previous year, but this still represents a small fraction of the global light-duty vehicle fleet.

# Fuel cell electric cars



# FCVs

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The main reasons for the slow introduction of FCVs:

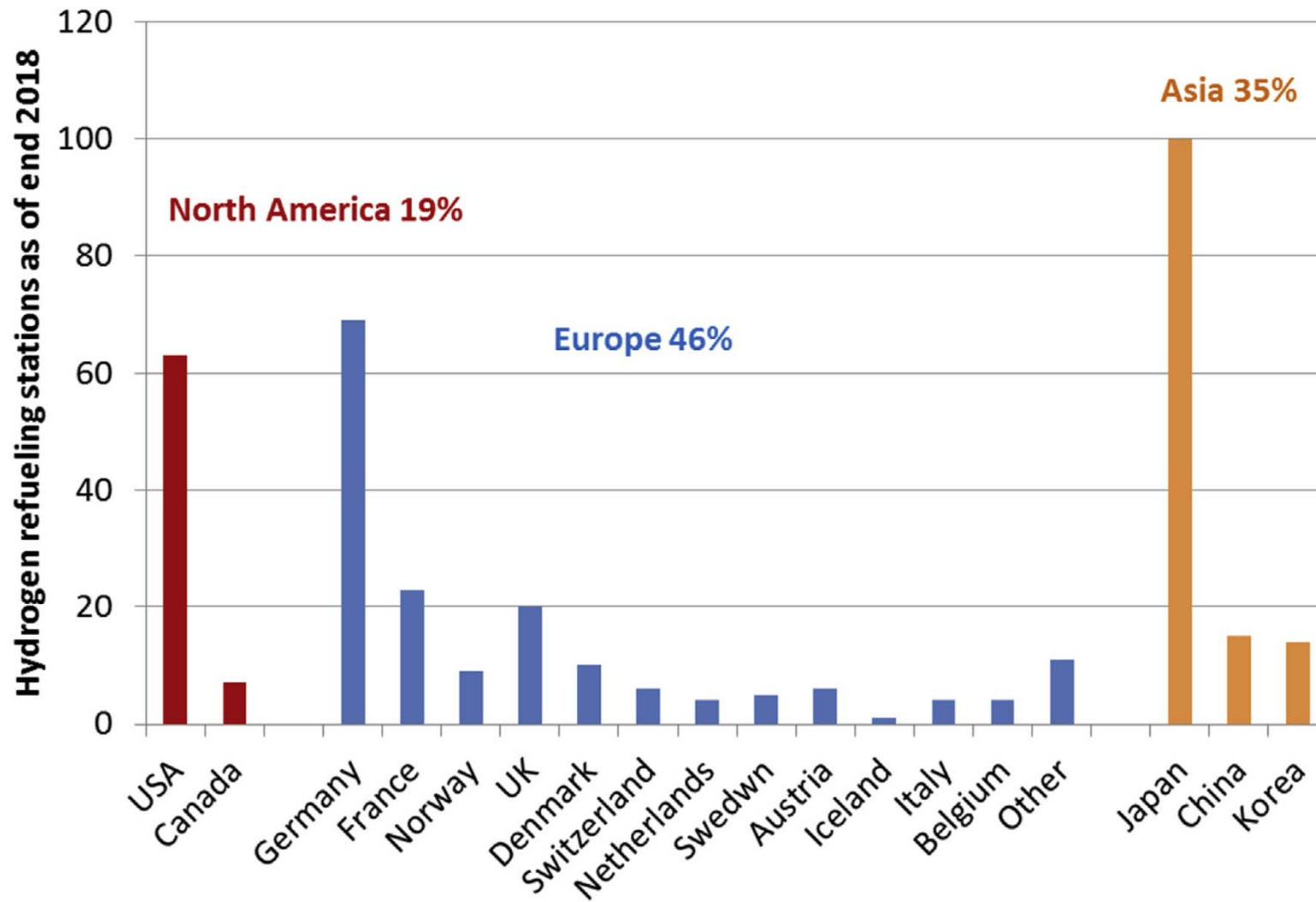
- Costs

Application	Power or energy capacity	Energy efficiency	Investment cost	Lifetime	Maturity
Fuel cell vehicles	80 - 120 kW	Tank-to-wheel efficiency 43-60%	USD 60 000-100 000	150 000 km	Early market introduction



- Consumer acceptance
- Infrastructure

# Hydrogen refuelling stations and utilisation, 2018



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## ***Some history of hydrogen***

## *Some history*

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1766 Hydrogen was first identified as a **distinct element** by British scientist Henry Cavendish

1788 French chemist Antoine Lavoisier gave hydrogen its name, which was derived from the Greek words—“**hydro**” and “**genes**,” meaning “water” and “born of.”

1800 English scientists William Nicholson and Sir Anthony Carlisle discovered that applying electric current to water produced hydrogen and oxygen gases. This process was later termed “**electrolysis**.”

1807 Isaac de Rivas makes a **hydrogen gas powered vehicle** - first with internal combustion power - however, very unsuccessful design

## *Some history*

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1838 The **fuel cell effect**, combining hydrogen and oxygen gases to produce water and an electric current, was discovered by Swiss chemist Christian Friedrich Schoenbein.

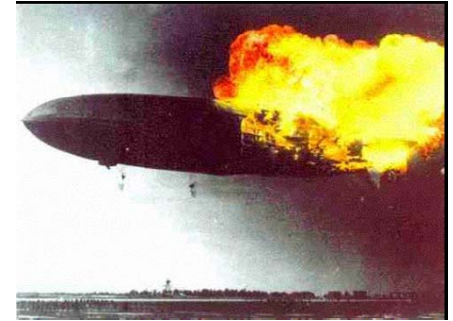


The vision of the hydrogen economy is very old. Still, in 1874 Jules Verne in his work “The Mysterious Island” said:

*“I believe that water will one day be employed as fuel, that hydrogen and oxygen which constitute it, used singly or together, will furnish an inexhaustible source of heat and light, of an intensity of which coal is not capable.”*



## *Some history*



1889 Ludwig Mond and Charles Langer attempted to build the first fuel cell device using air and industrial coal gas. They named the device a **fuel cell**.

1920 British scientist, J.B.S. Haldane, introduced the concept of **renewable hydrogen** in his paper Science and the Future by proposing that “there will be great power stations where during windy weather the surplus power will be used for the electrolytic composition of water into oxygen and hydrogen.”

1937 After successful trans-Atlantic flights from Germany to the United States, the Hindenburg, a dirigible inflated with hydrogen gas, crashed upon landing in Lakewood, New Jersey. The mystery of the crash was solved in 1997. A study concluded that the explosion was not due to the hydrogen gas.

## *Some history*

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1958 The United States formed the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA). NASA's **space program** currently uses the most liquid hydrogen worldwide, primarily for rocket propulsion and as a fuel for fuel cells.



2004 The world's first fuel cell-powered **submarine** undergoes deepwater trials (Germany navy).



2005 Twenty-three states in the U.S. have hydrogen initiatives in place.

Today-2050 Future Vision:

In the future, water will replace fossil fuels as the primary resource for hydrogen. Hydrogen will be distributed via national networks of hydrogen transport pipelines and fueling stations. Hydrogen energy and fuel cell power will be clean, abundant, reliable, affordable and an integral part of all sectors of the economy in all regions of the U.S.

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## ***Some characteristics of hydrogen***

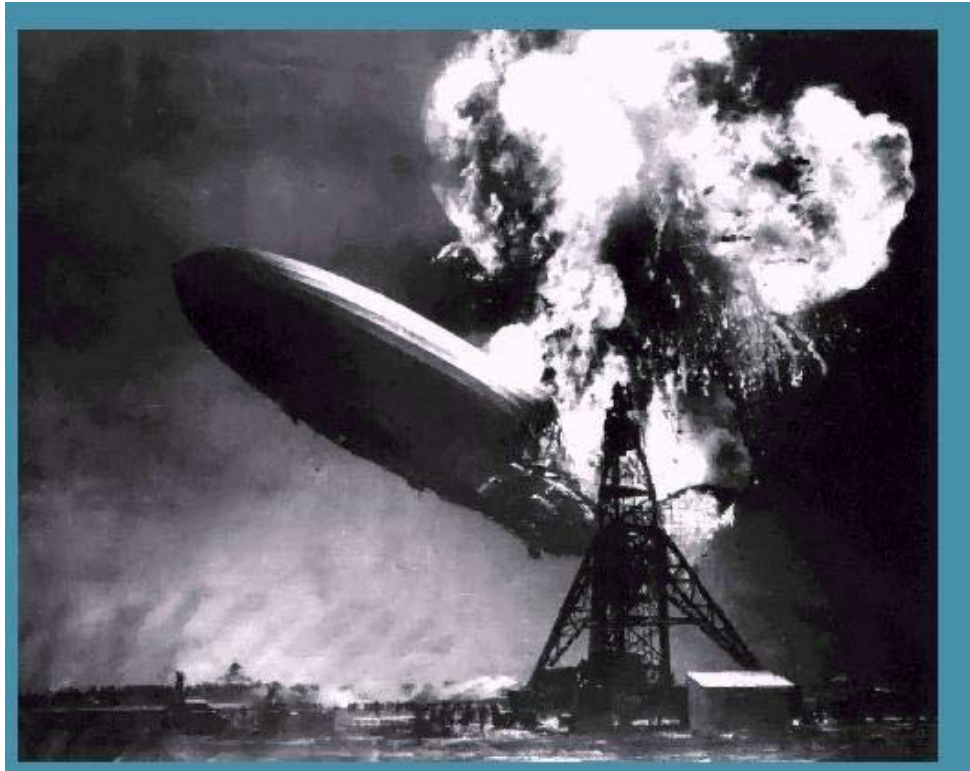
# *Hydrogen*

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- Hydrogen is the simplest, lightest and most abundant element in the universe
- Secondary energy carrier .... It can be produced from different energy sources
- Hydrogen is less flammable than gasoline
- Hydrogen is non-toxic
- Hydrogen combustion produces only water
- Storage for surplus electricity

## *How safe is hydrogen ?*

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•The explosion of the airship Hindenburg at Lakehurst, NJ, on May 6, 1937, serves as one of the most spectacular moments recorded by the media. But, the main cause of the disaster was pilot error. The only way to prevent the disaster would have been if the pilot had chosen to land in better conditions elsewhere, which was very feasible, considering he had had enough fuel remaining to reach all the way to California.

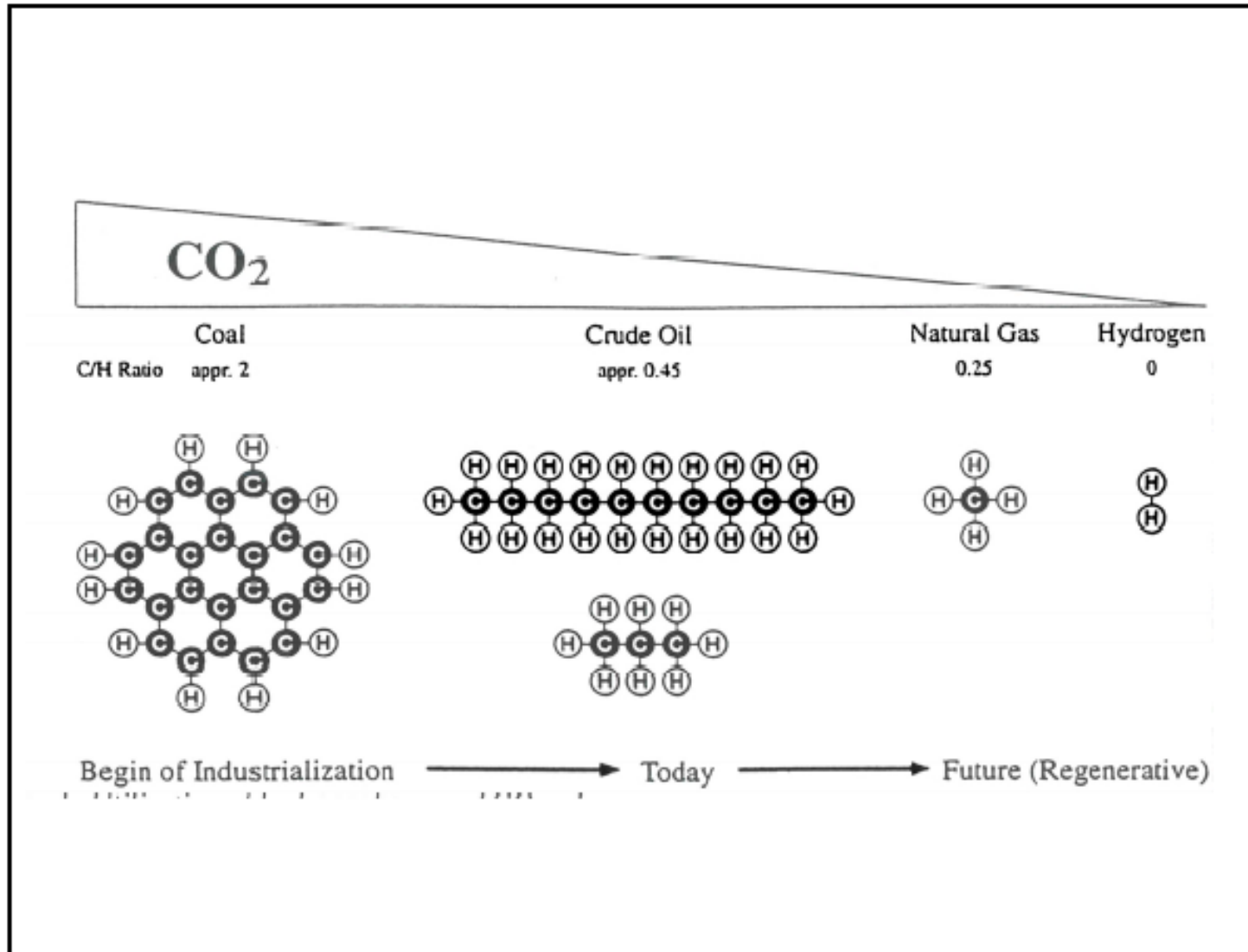
# *How safe is hydrogen ?*

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- No fuel we currently use or have yet to develop will be totally without hazards, through all the processes of production, transportation, and consumption, just as no kitchen knife can be used without risk.

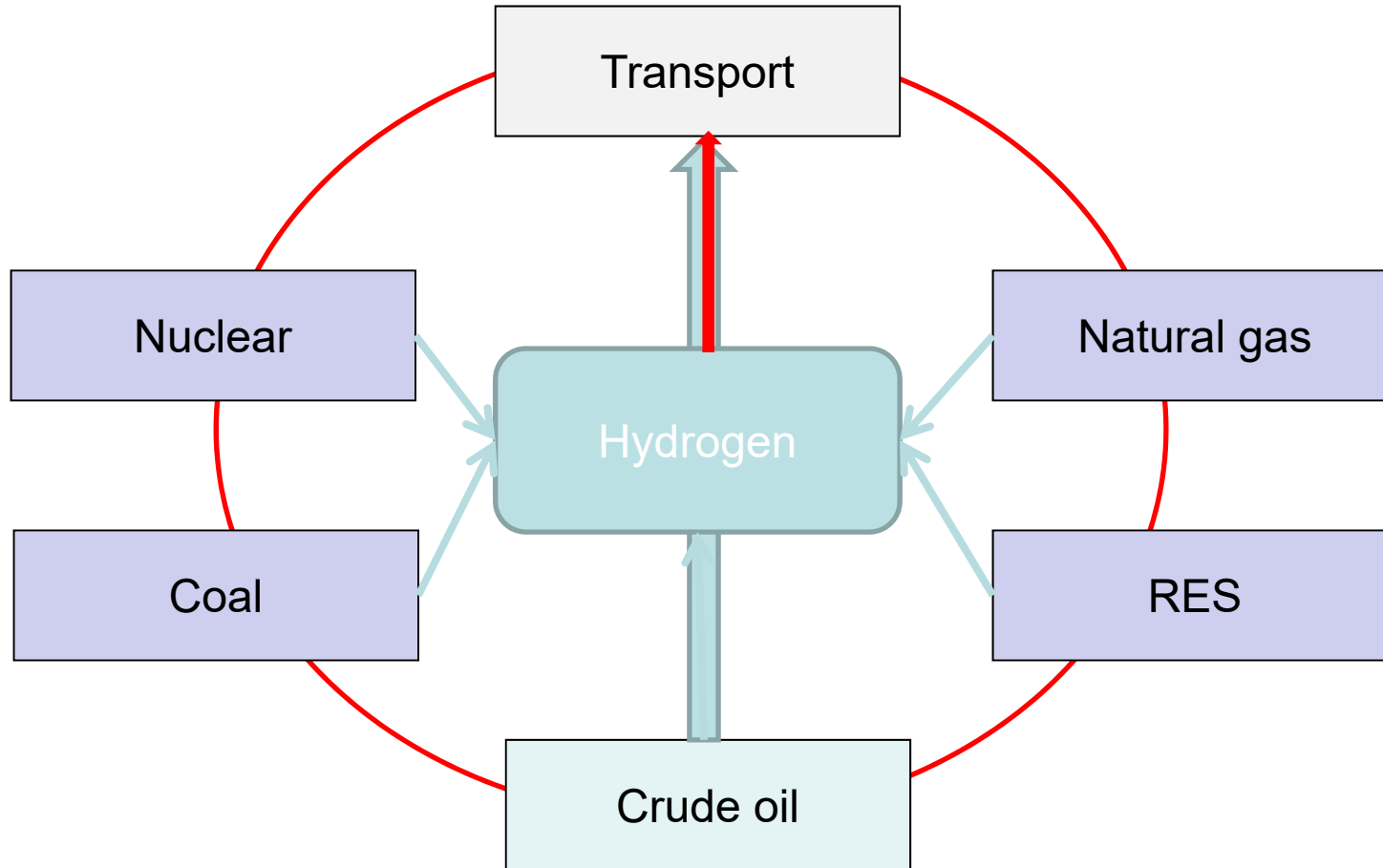
We must recognize that each of us has learned to use knives safely, and do so daily. As long as we use wisdom in our methods of production, storage, and use of hydrogen, we'll enjoy the same safety we have had with petroleum fuels, with the additional benefit of fewer health hazards when leaks do occur.

# Decarbonisation



# *Diversification*

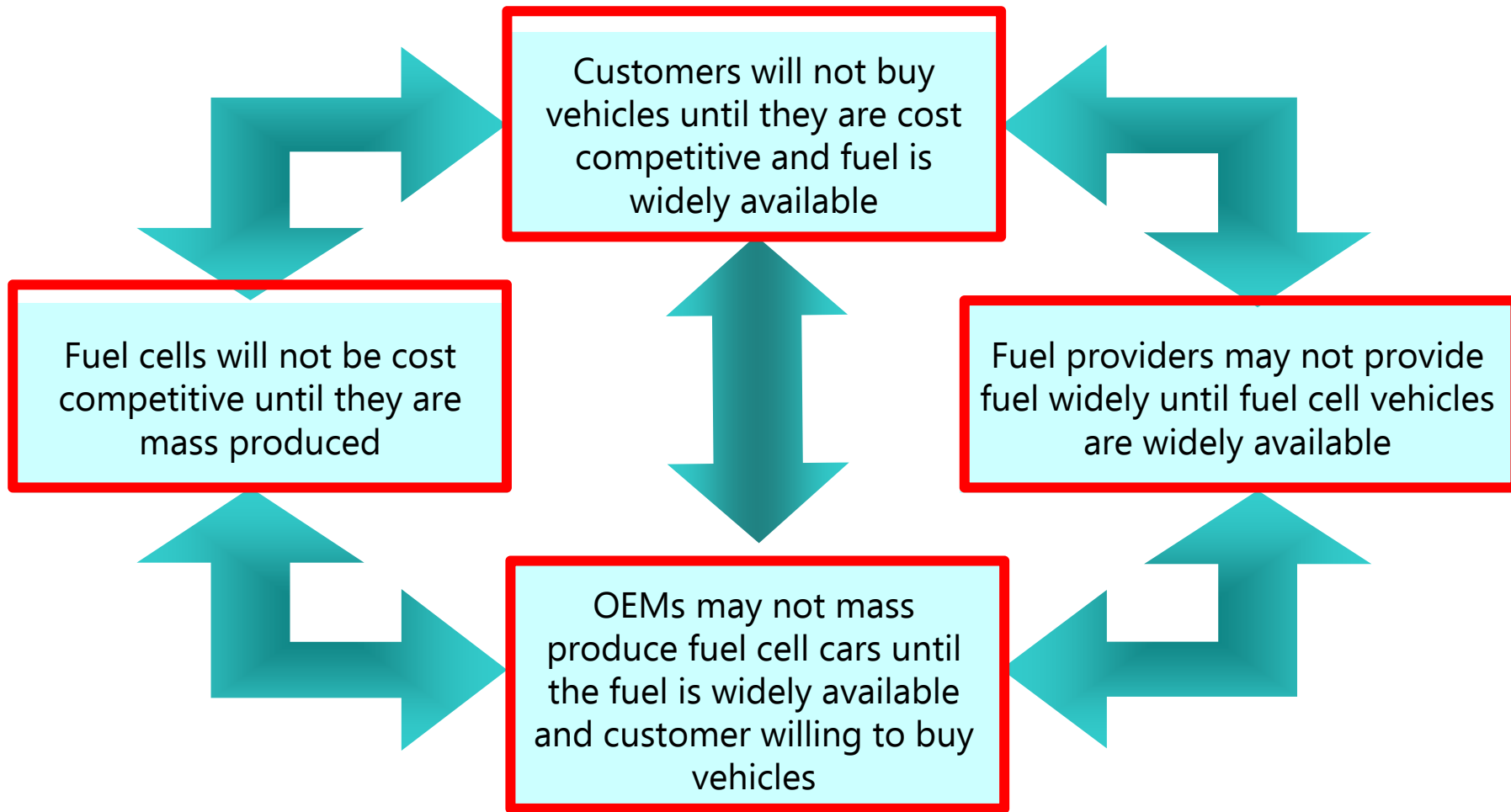
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## 'Chicken and egg' dilemma

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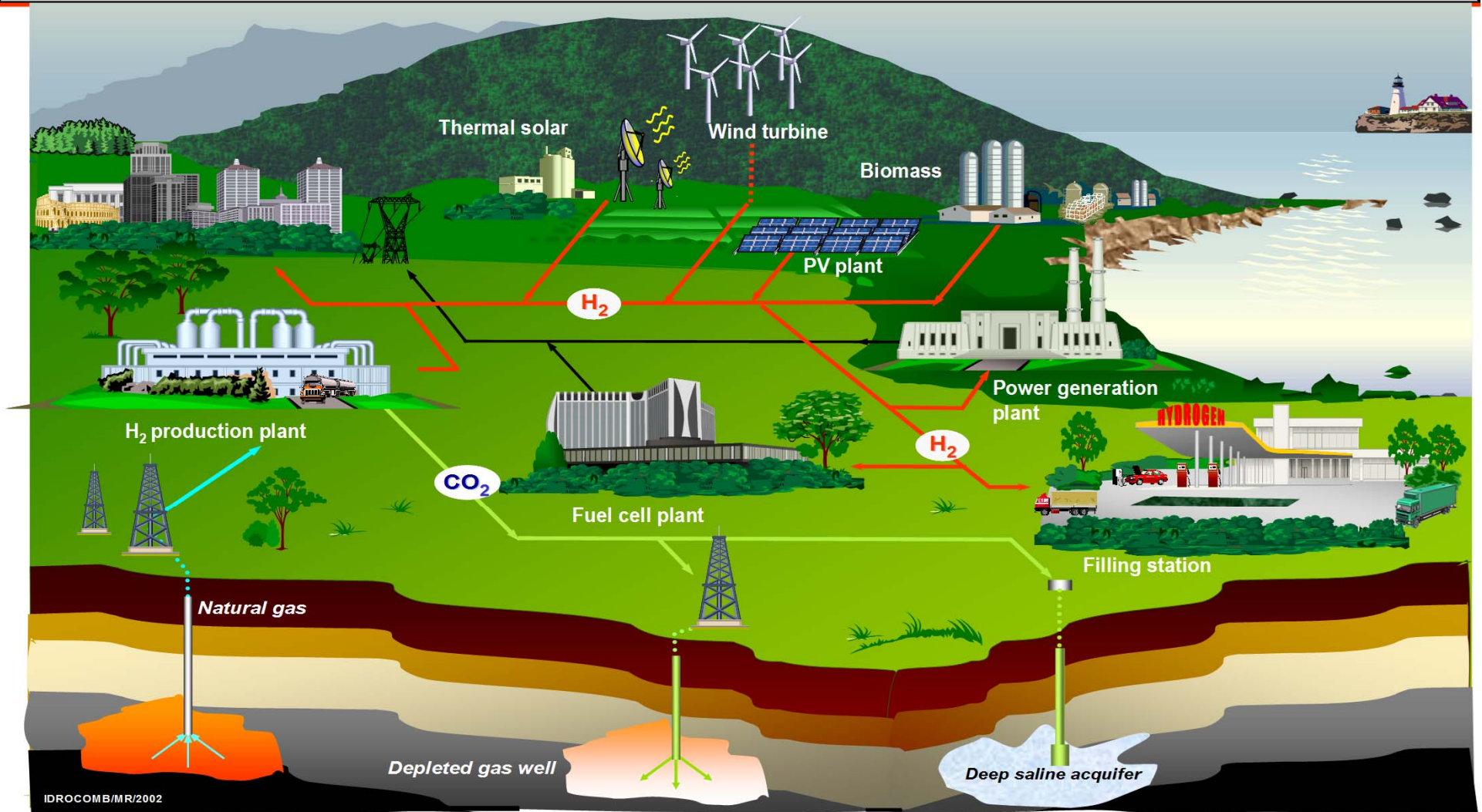
The transition to a hydrogen economy is complex

OEM-Original Equipment Manufacturer

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# ***The hydrogen vision***

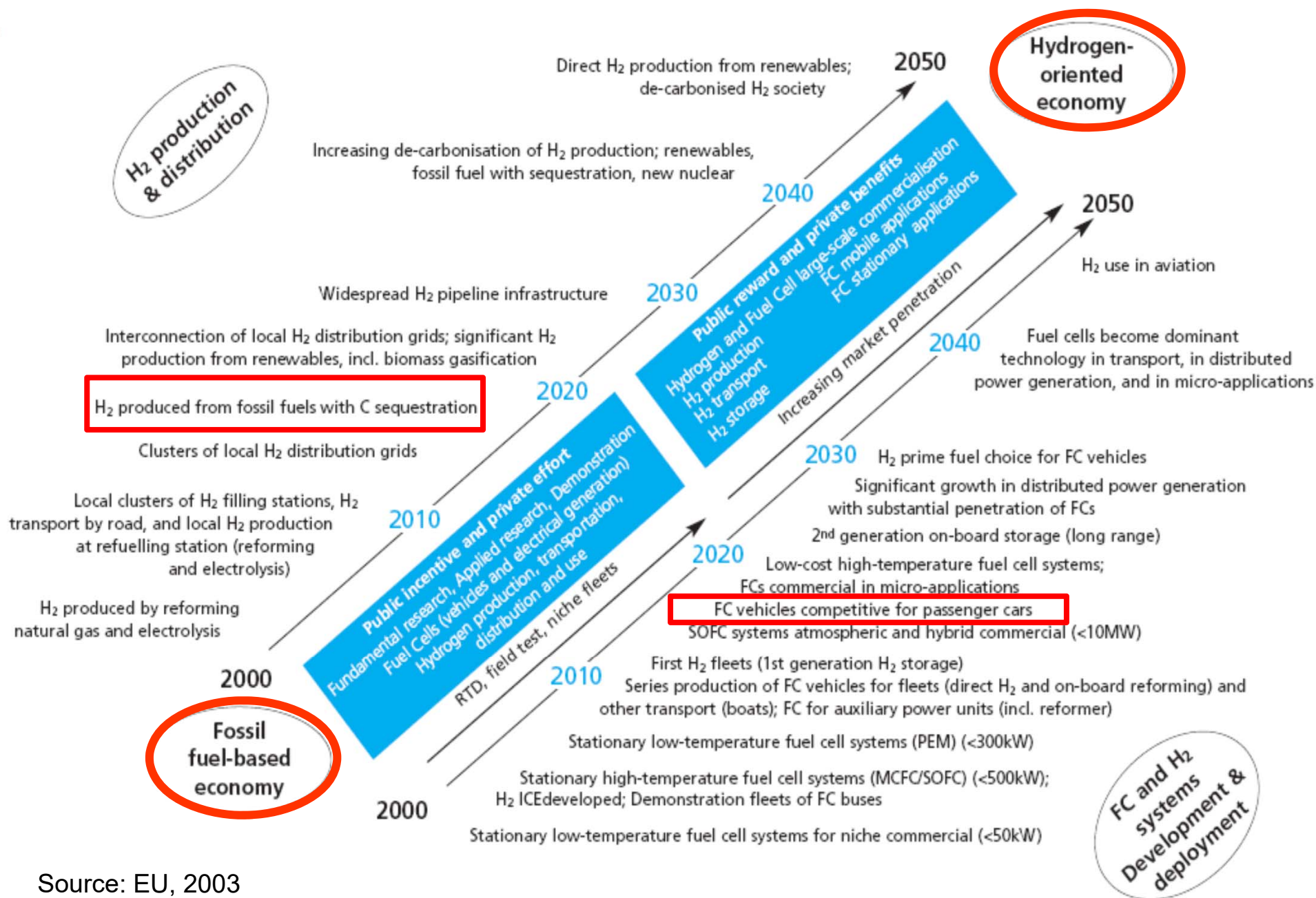
# The hydrogen vision



This is how an integrated energy system of the future might look – combining large and small fuel cells for domestic and decentralised heat and electrical power generation. Local hydrogen networks could also be used to fuel conventional or fuel cell vehicles.

Source: EU, 2003

# A challenging European hydrogen vision



Source: EU, 2003

# Uses of hydrogen

	Current role	Demand perspective
<b>Cars and vans (light-duty vehicles)</b>	11 200 vehicles in operation, mostly in California, Europe and Japan	The global car stock is expected to continue to grow; hydrogen could capture a part of this market



Toyota Mirai



Honda Clarity



Hyundai Tucson



Hyundai Genesis

# Uses of hydrogen

	Current role	Demand perspective
<b>Trucks and buses (heavy duty vehicles)</b>	<p>Demonstration and niche markets:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>~25 000 forklifts</li><li>~500 buses</li><li>~400 trucks</li><li>~100 vans.</li></ul> <p>Several thousand buses and trucks expected in China* by end-2019</p>	<p>Strong growth segment; long-haul and heavy-duty applications are attractive for hydrogen</p>



Hydrogen Bus in the UK



Sunline Transit H2 Bus in CA



Hydrogen Bus in Norway

# Uses of hydrogen

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	Current role	Demand perspective
<b>Rail</b>	Two hydrogen trains in Germany	Rail is a mainstay of transport in many countries



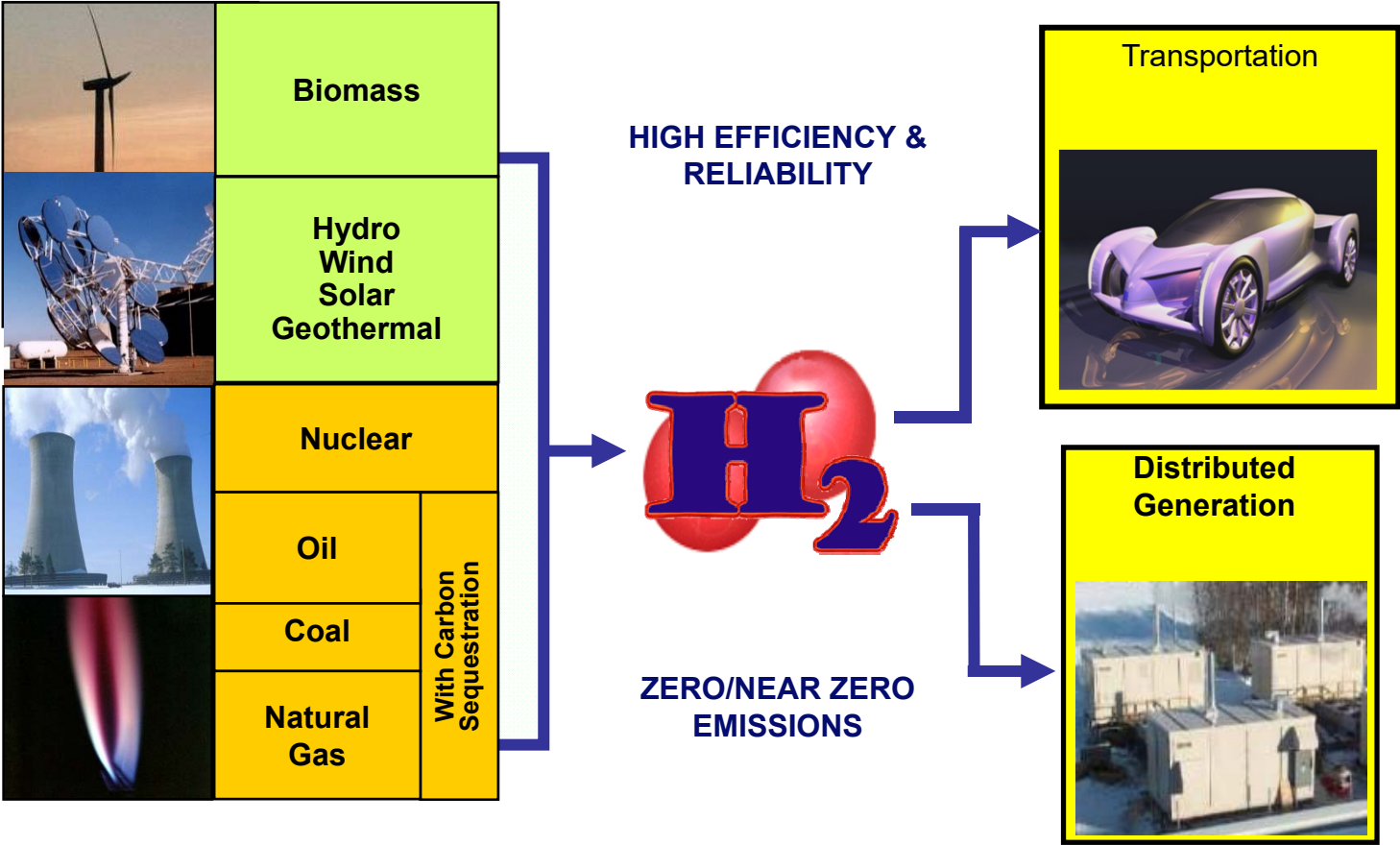
Coradia iLint Train, Germany

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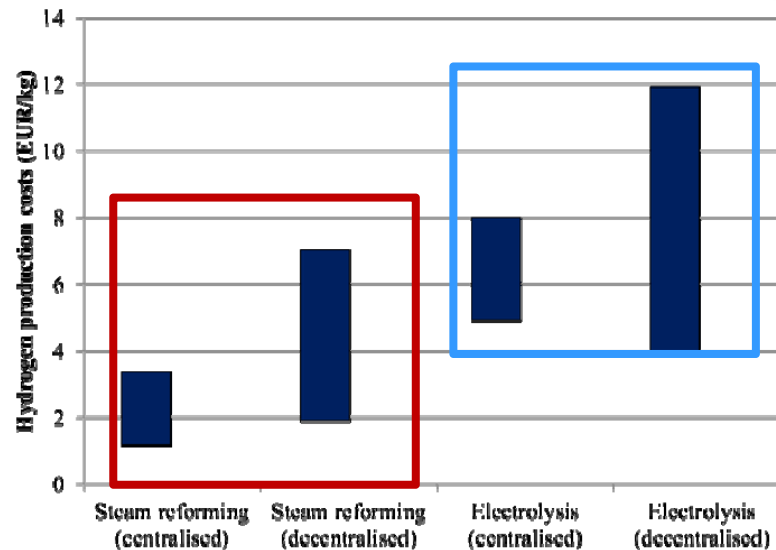
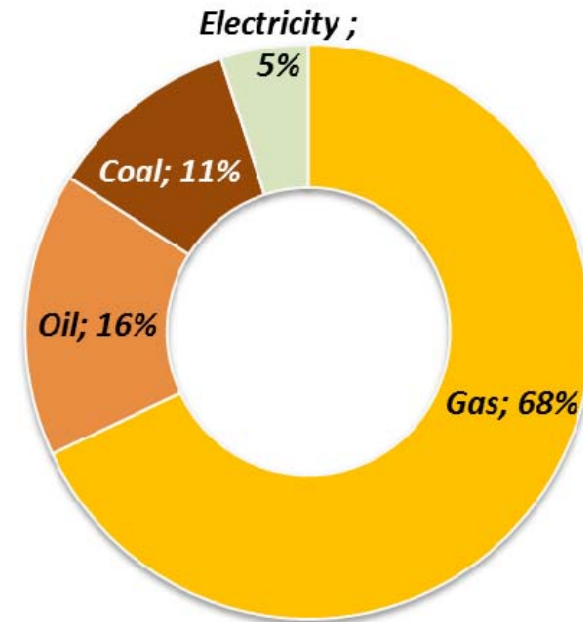
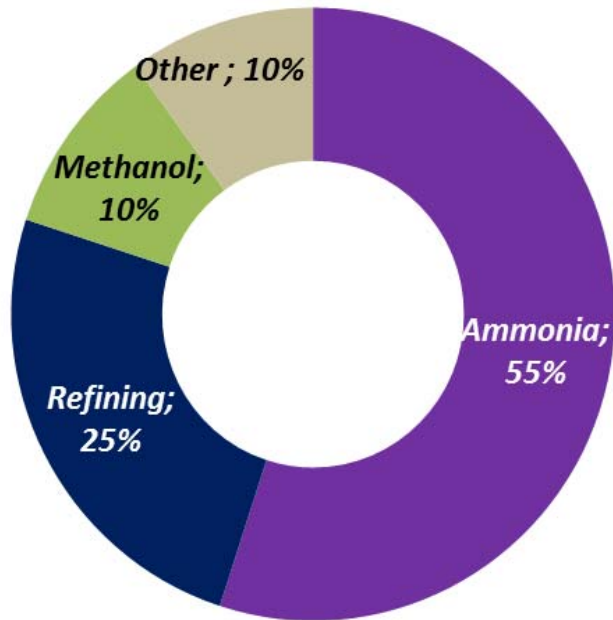
# ***The hydrogen supply chains***



# Hydrogen supply chains



# Global hydrogen use and production



# Major hydrogen production processes

<i>Primary Method</i>	<i>Process</i>	<i>Feedstock</i>	<i>Energy</i>	<i>Emissions</i>	<i>Stage of Development</i>
	<i>Steam Reforming</i>	<i>Natural Gas</i>	<i>High temperature steam</i>	<i>Some emissions. Carbos sequestration can mitigate their effect.</i>	<i>Developed commercial technology</i>
	<i>Thermochemical Water Splitting</i>	<i>Water</i>	<i>High temperature heat from advanced gas-cooled nuclear reactors</i>	<i>No emissions</i>	<i>Fundamental research</i>
<b><u>Thermal</u></b>	<i>Gasification</i>	<i>Coal*, Biomass**</i>	<i>Steam and oxygen at high temperature and pressure</i>	<i>Some emissions. Carbos sequestration can mitigate their effect.</i>	<i>*Developed commercial technology **Proven technology</i>
	<i>Pyrolysis</i>	<i>Biomass</i>	<i>Moderately high temperature steam</i>	<i>Some emissions. Carbos sequestration can mitigate their effect.</i>	<i>Proven technology</i>

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	<i>Electrolysis</i>	<i>Water</i>	<i>Electricity from wind, solar, hydro and nuclear</i>	<i>No emissions.</i>	<i>Developed commercial technology</i>
<b><u><i>Electrochemical</i></u></b>	<i>Electrolysis</i>	<i>Water</i>	<i>Electricity from coal or natural gas</i>	<i>Some emissions from electricity production.</i>	<i>Developed commercial technology</i>
	<i>Photo-Electro-chemical</i>	<i>Water</i>	<i>Direct sunlight</i>	<i>No emissions.</i>	<i>Fundamental research</i>

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	<i>Photobiological</i>	<i>Water and algae strains</i>	<i>Direct sunlight</i>	<i>No emissions.</i>	<i>Fundamental research</i>
<b><u>Biological</u></b>	<i>Anaerobic Digestion</i>	<i>Biomass</i>	<i>High temperature heat</i>	<i>Some emissions.</i>	<i>Fundamental research</i>
	<i>Fermentative Microorganisms</i>	<i>Biomass</i>	<i>High temperature heat</i>	<i>Some emissions.</i>	<i>Fundamental research</i>

# *Hydrogen production*

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## Hydrogen production:

- Steam reforming
- Electrolysis



# Hydrogen production

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## Steam reforming of natural gas

<i>Application</i>	<i>Power or capacity</i>	<i>Efficiency</i>	<i>Initial investment cost</i>	<i>Life time</i>	<i>Maturity</i>
Steam reformer, large scale	150-300 MW	70-85%	400-600 USD/kW	30 years	Mature
Steam reformer, small scale	0.15-15 MW	~51%	3 000-5 000 USD/kW	15 years	Demonstration

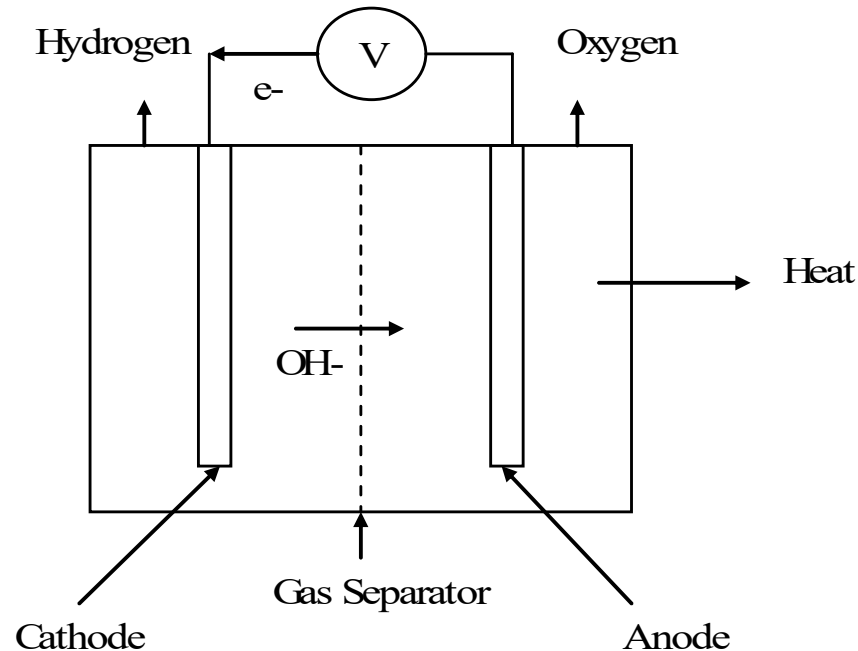
In steam reforming of natural gas ca. **7 kg CO<sub>2</sub>** are produced per kg hydrogen.



# Hydrogen production

## Electrolysis

- The use of electricity to split water into hydrogen and oxygen is called electrolysis. In principle electrolysis works by passing a direct current through two electrodes, the anode and cathode, put in water. Pure water is a very poor conductor of electricity, so an electrolyte like salt should be added to improve the conductivity of the water and to increase the efficiency of the process.



# Electrolyzer

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<i>Application</i>	<i>Power or capacity</i>	<i>Efficiency</i>	<i>Initial investment cost</i>	<i>Life time</i>	<i>Maturity</i>
Alkaline electrolyser	Up to 150 MW	63-70%	500-1 400 USD/kW	60 000-90 000 hours	Mature
PEM electrolyser	Up to 150 kW (stacks)Up to 1 MW (systems)	56-60%	1 100-1 800 USD/kW	30 000-90 000 hours	Early market

Electrolysis requires ca. **9 liters** of water to produce **1 kg** hydrogen.

# Hydrogen transport

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	Capacity	Transport distance	Energy loss	Fixed costs	Variable costs	Deployment phase
Gaseous tube trailers	Low	Low	Low	Low	High	Near term
Liquefied truck trailers	Medium	High	High	Medium	Medium	Medium to long term
Hydrogen pipelines	High	High	Low	High	Low	Medium to long term

Qualitative overview of hydrogen T&D technologies for hydrogen delivery in the transport sector

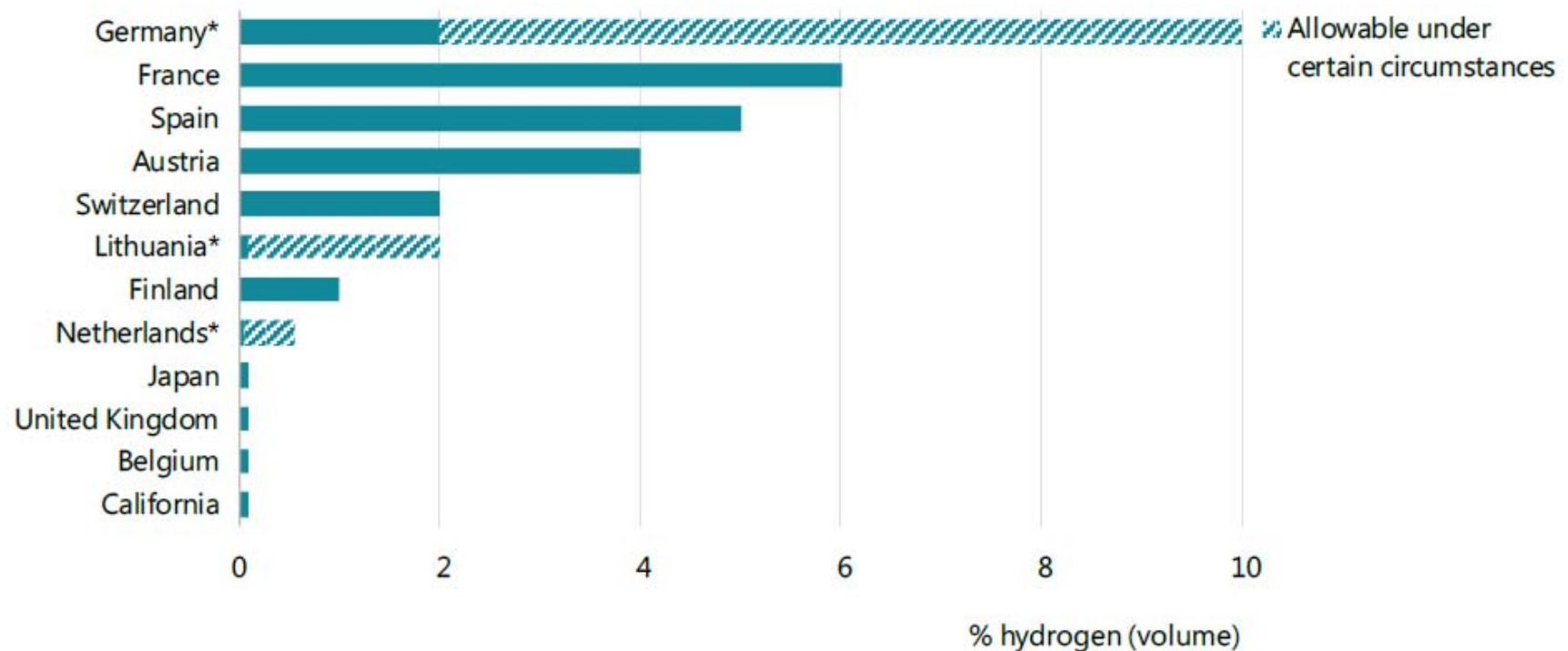
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Application	Power or energy capacity	Energy efficiency	Investment cost	Maturity
Tube trailer (gaseous) for hydrogen delivery	Up to 1 000 kg	~100% (without compression)	USD 1 000 000 (USD 1 000 per kg payload)	Mature
Liquid tankers for hydrogen delivery	Up to 4 000 kg	Boil-off stream: 0.3% loss per day	USD 750 000	Mature
Pipeline	-	95%, incl. compression	Rural: USD 300 000-1.2 million / km Urban: USD 700 000-1.5 million / km (dependent on diameter)	Mature



# Current limits on hydrogen blending in natural gas networks



\* Higher limit for Germany applies if there are no CNG filling stations connected to the network; higher limit for the Netherlands applies to high-calorific gas; higher limit for Lithuania applies when pipeline pressure is greater than 16 bar pressure.

Today most countries limit hydrogen concentrations in the natural gas network; modifying these regulations will be necessary to stimulate meaningful levels of hydrogen blending.

# Hydrogen transport

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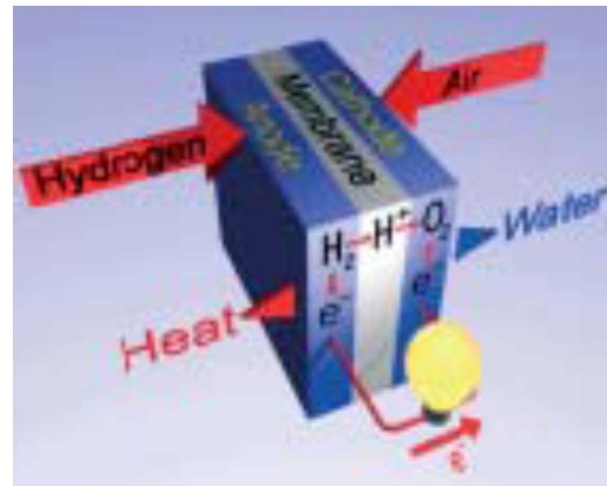
## Hydrogen pipeline systems - Europe

Region	Length (km)	Pressure (MPa)
Belgium, France, NL	966	10
Germany: Rhine-Rhur	240	1.1/2.3/30
Germany: Leuna-Merseburg	100	2-2.5
UK	16	5
Sweden	18	0.5-2.8
Europe (in total)	<b>~ 1500</b>	

# Fuel cells

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Fuel cells convert fuel and air directly to electricity, heat and water in an electrochemical process.



Their advantages are:

- high efficiency
- zero emissions
- mechanical simplicity, low vibration and noise, low maintenance requirements

## *Types of fuel cells*

<b>Application</b>	<b>Power or capacity</b>	<b>Efficiency</b>	<b>Initial investment cost</b>	<b>Life time</b>	<b>Maturity</b>
Alkaline FC	Up to 250 kW	~50%	USD 200-700/kW	5 000-8 000 hours	Early market
PEMFC stationary	0.5-400 kW	32%-49%	USD 3 000-4 000/kW	~60 000 hours	Early market
PEMFC mobile	80-100 kW	Up to 60%	USD ~500/kW	<5 000 hours	Early market
SOFC	Up to 200 kW	50%-70%	USD 3 000-4 000/kW	Up to 90 000 hours	Demonstration
PAFC	Up to 11 MW	30%-40%	USD 4 000-5 000/kW	30 000-60 000 hours	Mature
MCFC	KW to several MW	More than 60%	USD 4 000-6 000/kW	20 000-30 000 hours	Early market



# ***Benefits of transport fuel cells***

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- **Efficiency:**

Fuel cell cars have demonstrated high efficiencies

- **Regulated emissions:**

Fuel cell cars have very low emissions, and even zero emissions at the point of use

- **Power:**

Fuel cells can provide on-board electricity with high efficiency. Fuel cell cars could produce (back-up) power for homes, offices, or remote locations

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***Economic and ecological aspects***

# Economic assessment

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The costs per km driven  $C_{km}$  are calculated as:

$$C_{km} = \frac{IC \cdot \alpha}{skm} + P_f \cdot FI + \frac{C_{O\&M}}{skm} \quad [\text{€/100 km driven}]$$

IC.....investment costs [€/car]

$\alpha$ .....capital recovery factor

skm.....specific km driven per car per year [km/(car.yr)]

$P_f$ .....fuel price incl. taxes [€/litre]

$C_{O\&M}$ ...operating and maintenance costs

FI.....fuel intensity [litre/100 km]

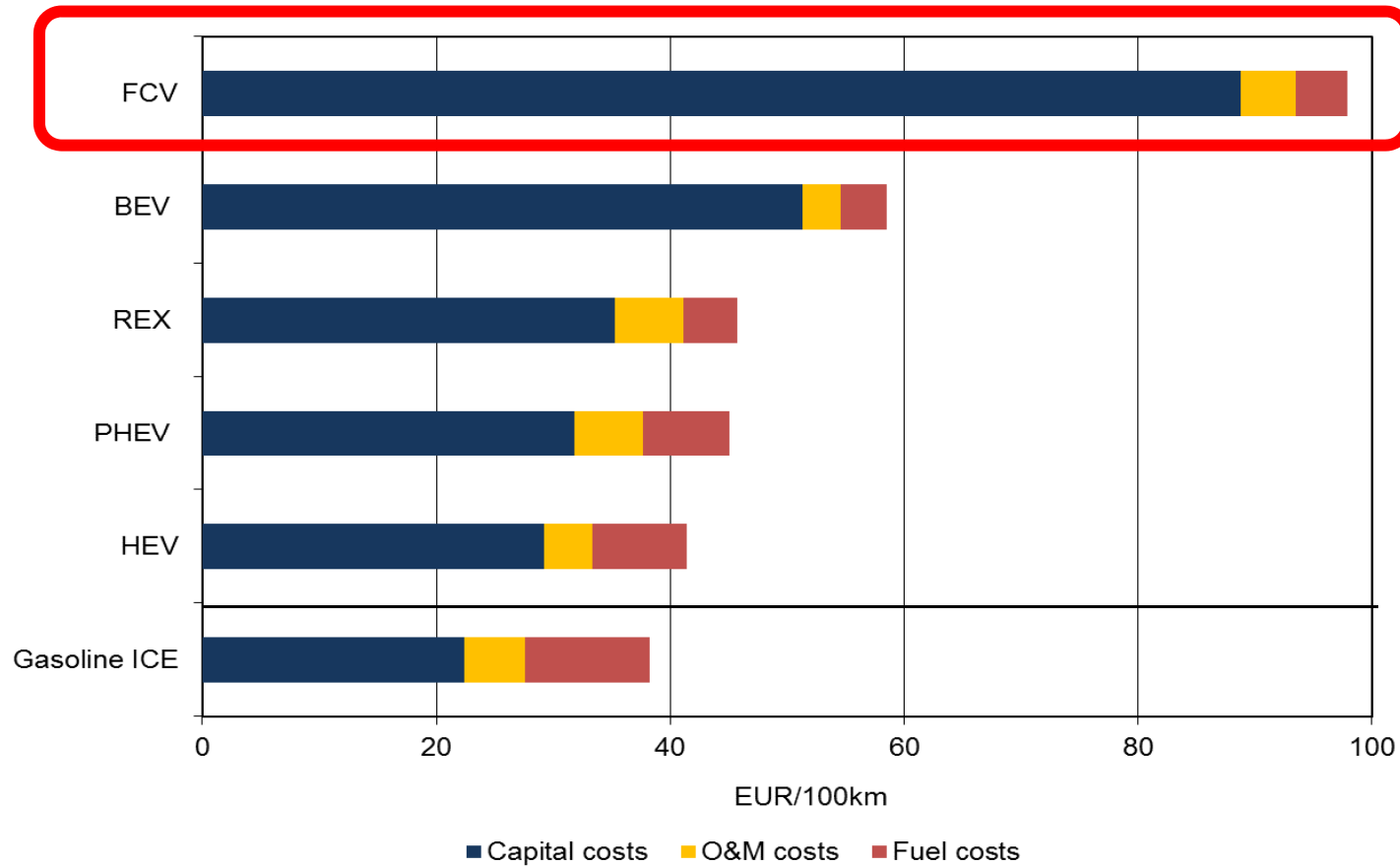
A capital recovery factor ( $\alpha$ ) is the ratio of a constant annuity to the present value of receiving that annuity for a given length of time. Using an interest rate ( $z$ ), the capital recovery factor is:

$$\alpha = \frac{z(1+z)^n}{(1+z)^n - 1}$$

n.....the number of annuities received.

# *Economic aspects*

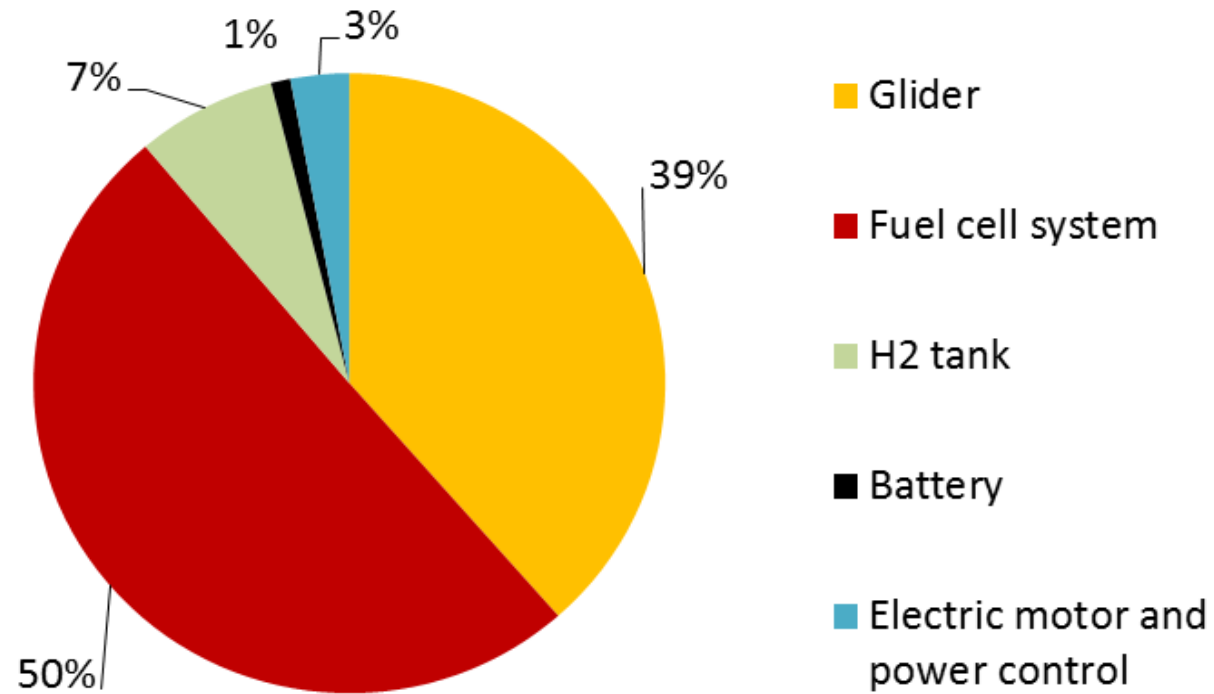
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Total costs of service mobility of various types of EV in comparison to ICE cars

# Fuel cell vehicles

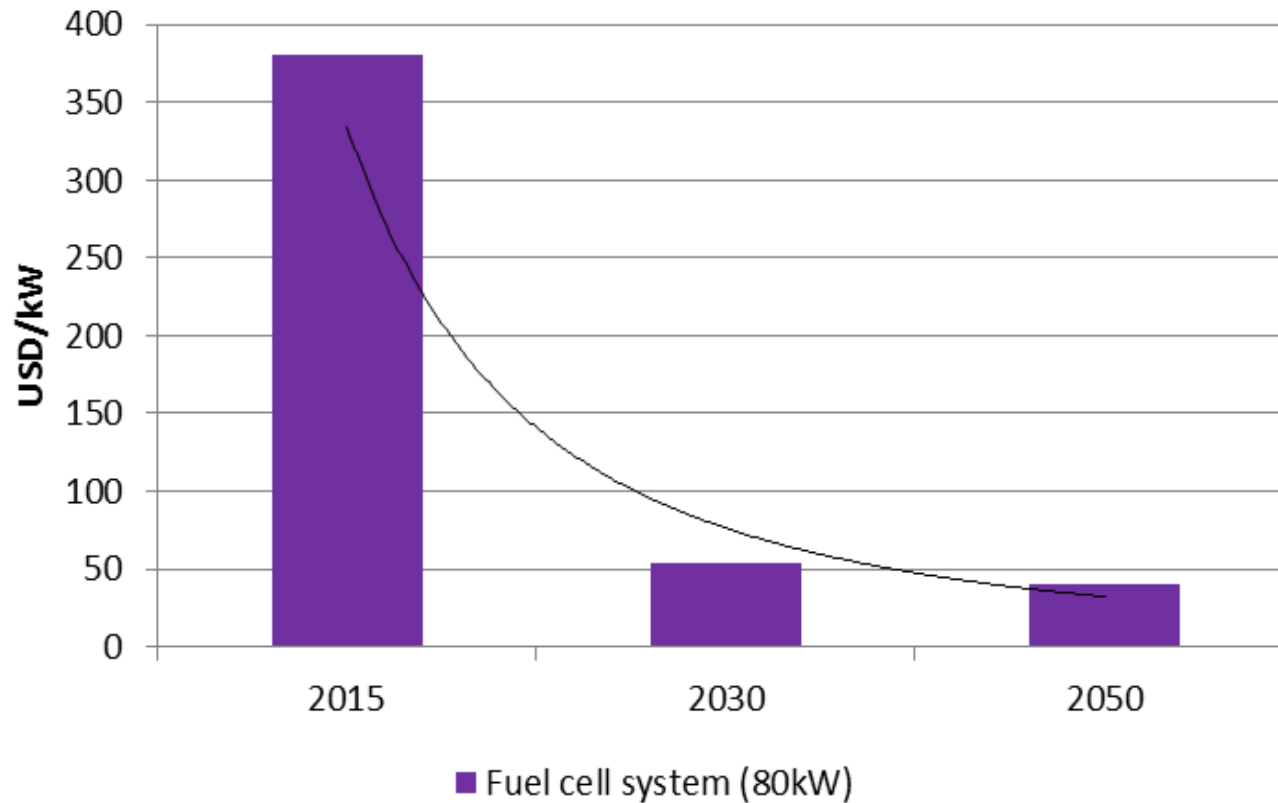
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Structure of investment costs of fuel cell vehicles

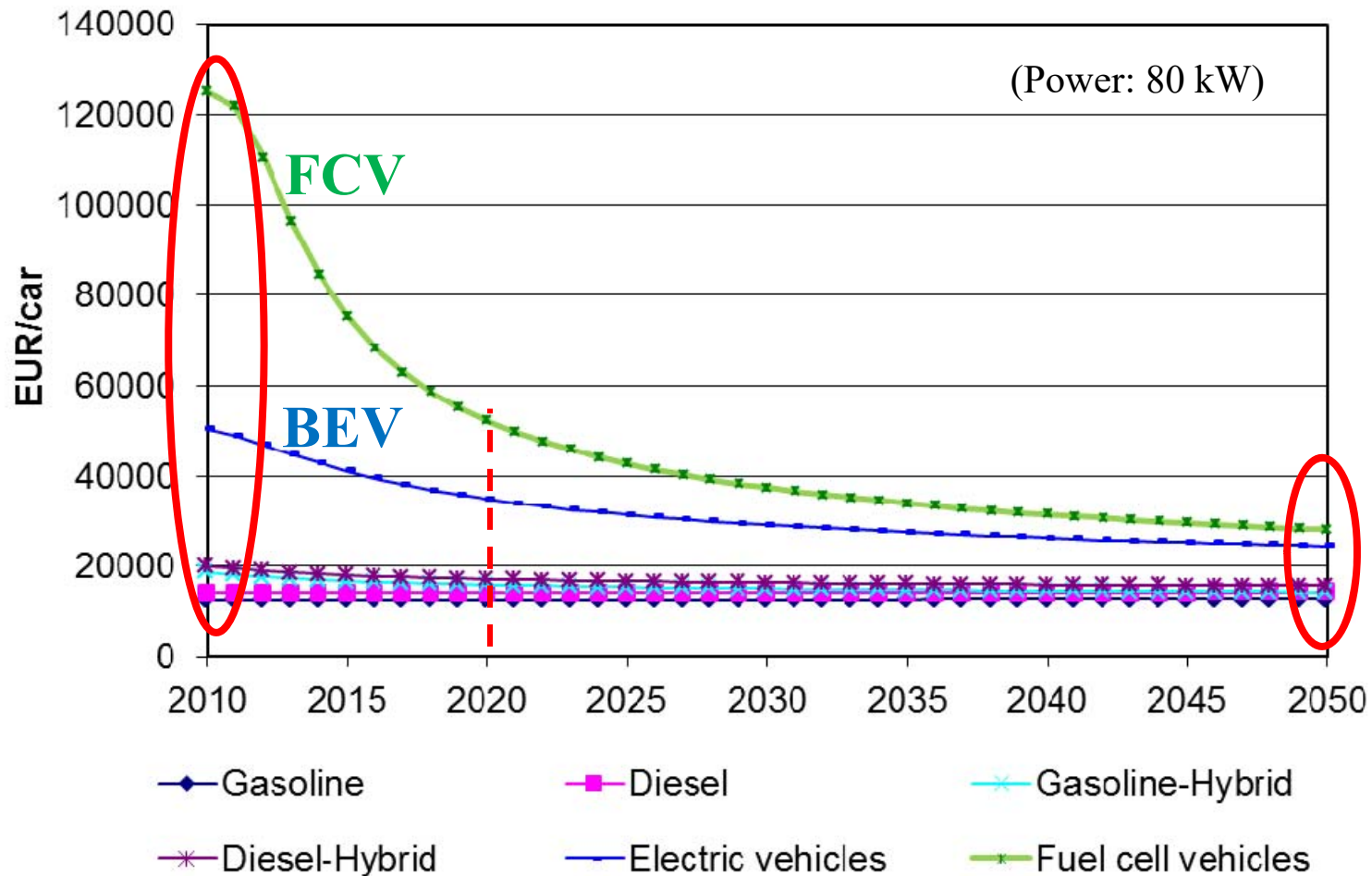
## *Technological learning – Fuel cell*

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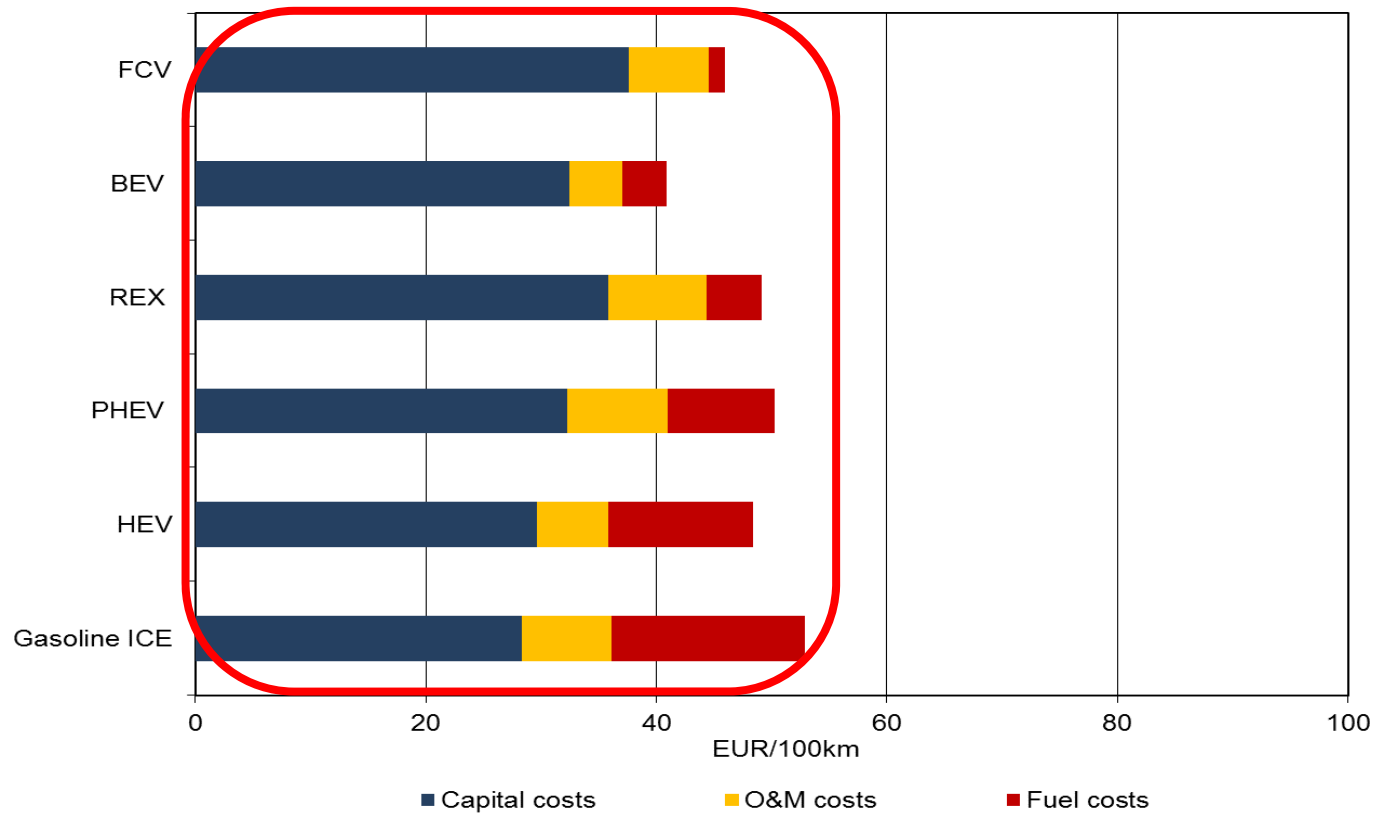
Development of the costs of the fuel cell system

# Scenario for development of investment costs



# Costs of mobility – 2050

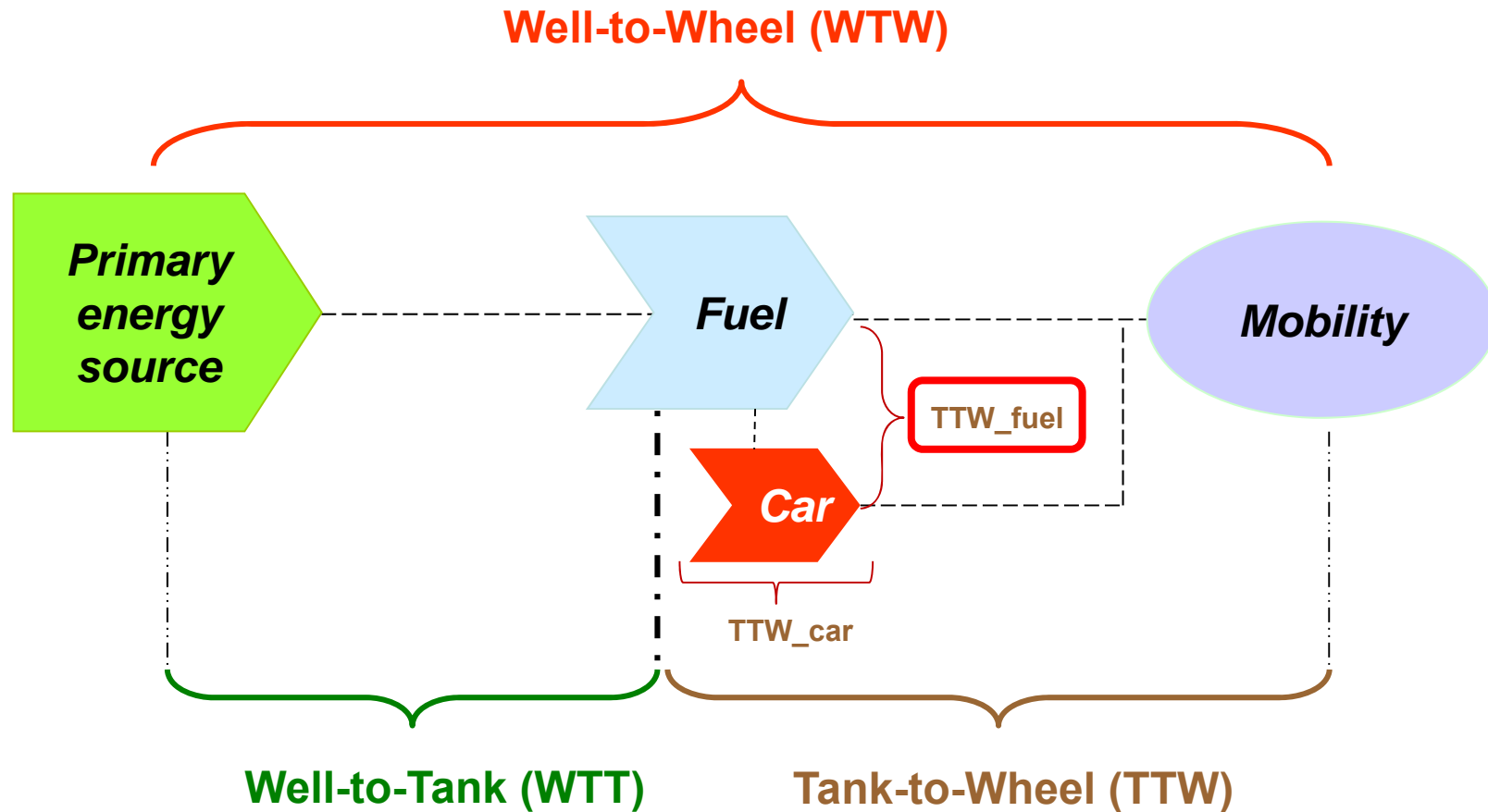
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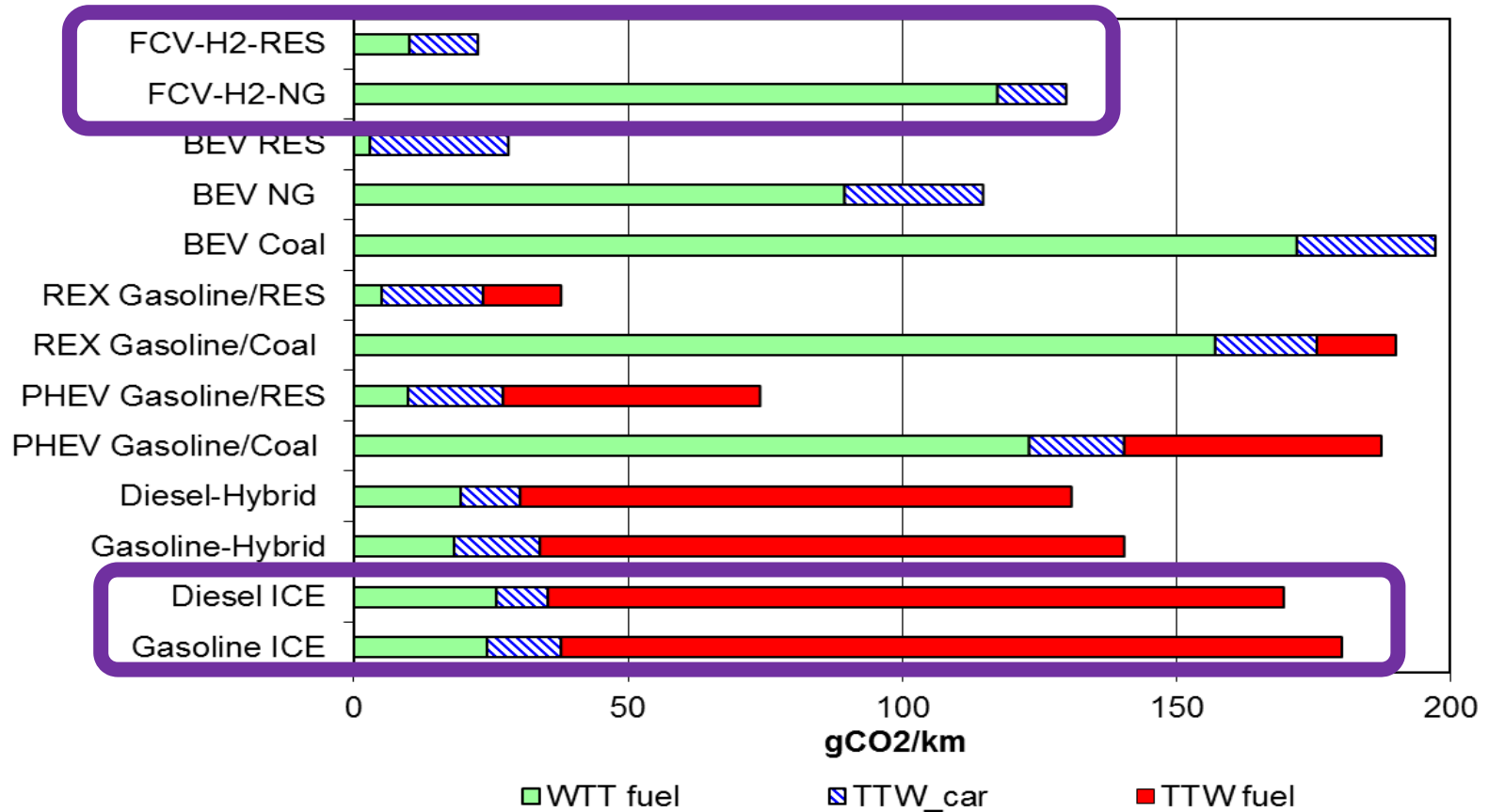


# Environmental assessment

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CO<sub>2</sub> emissions per km driven for various types of EV in comparison to conventional cars (power of car: 80kW)

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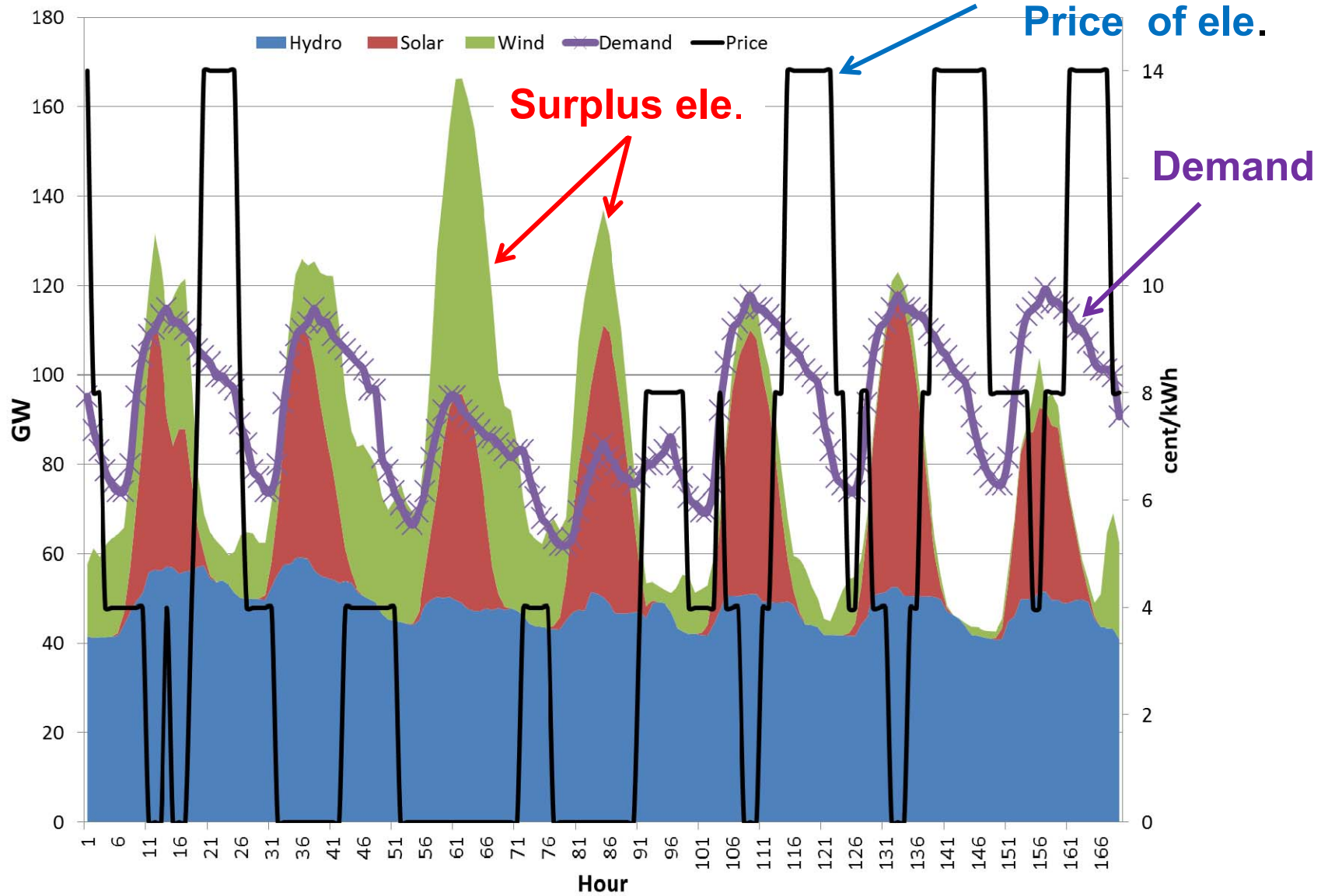
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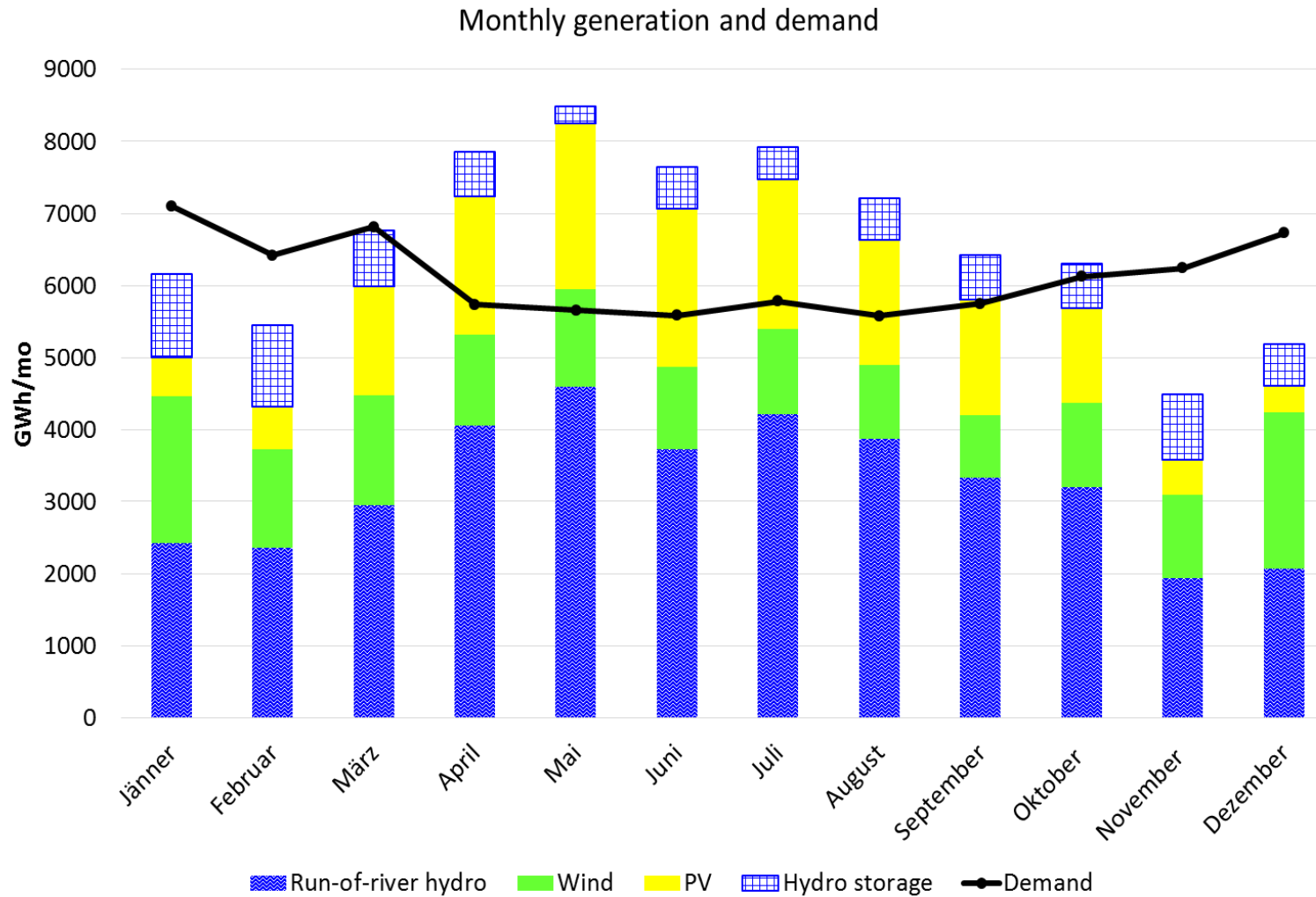
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- Major challenges of global energy system:
  - sufficient and secure energy supply
  - reduction of energy-related greenhouse gas emissions
- Increase use of renewable energy sources (RES)
- How to cope with excess electricity from RES

# Integrating large shares of renewable electricity

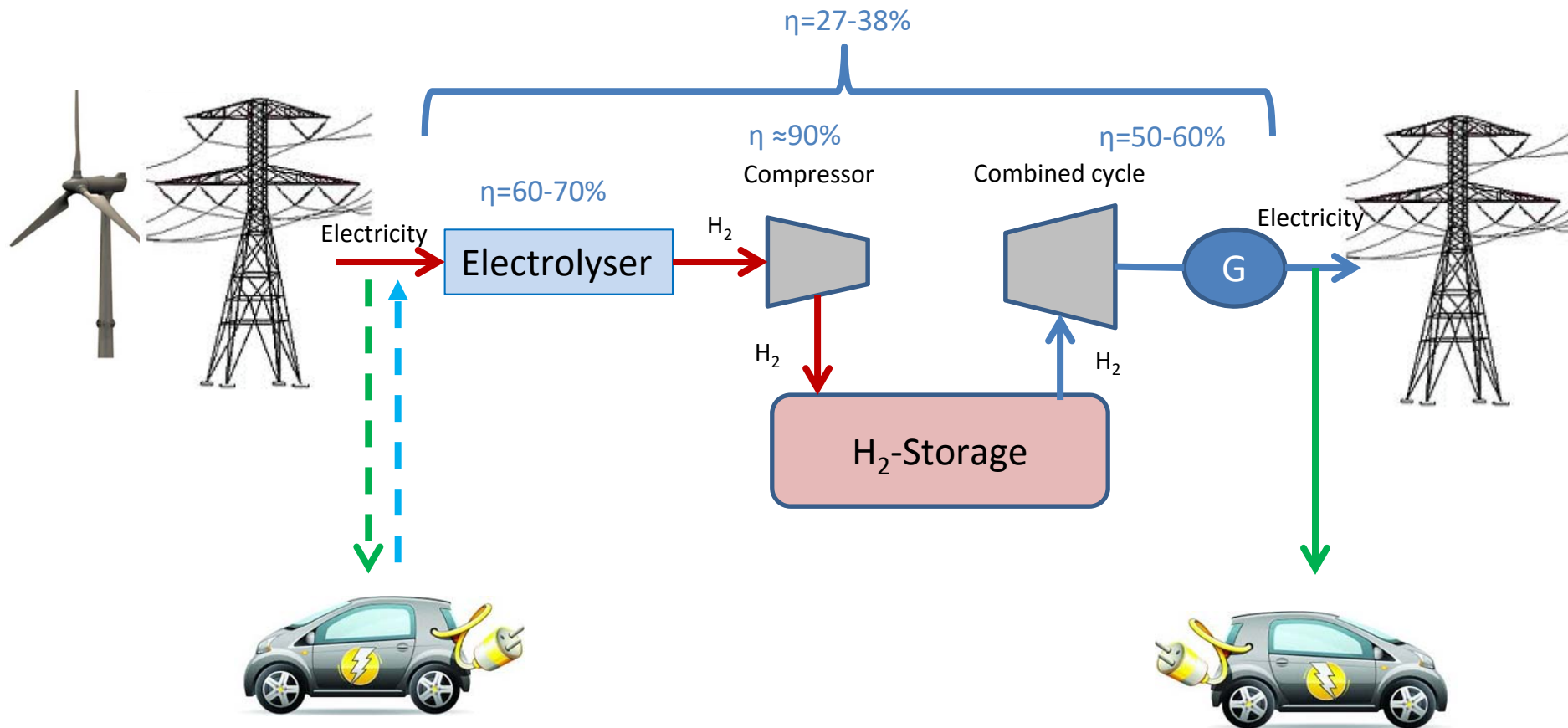


# Integrating large shares of renewable electricity



# Storage and fuel

*Very low roundtrip efficiency for electricity!*

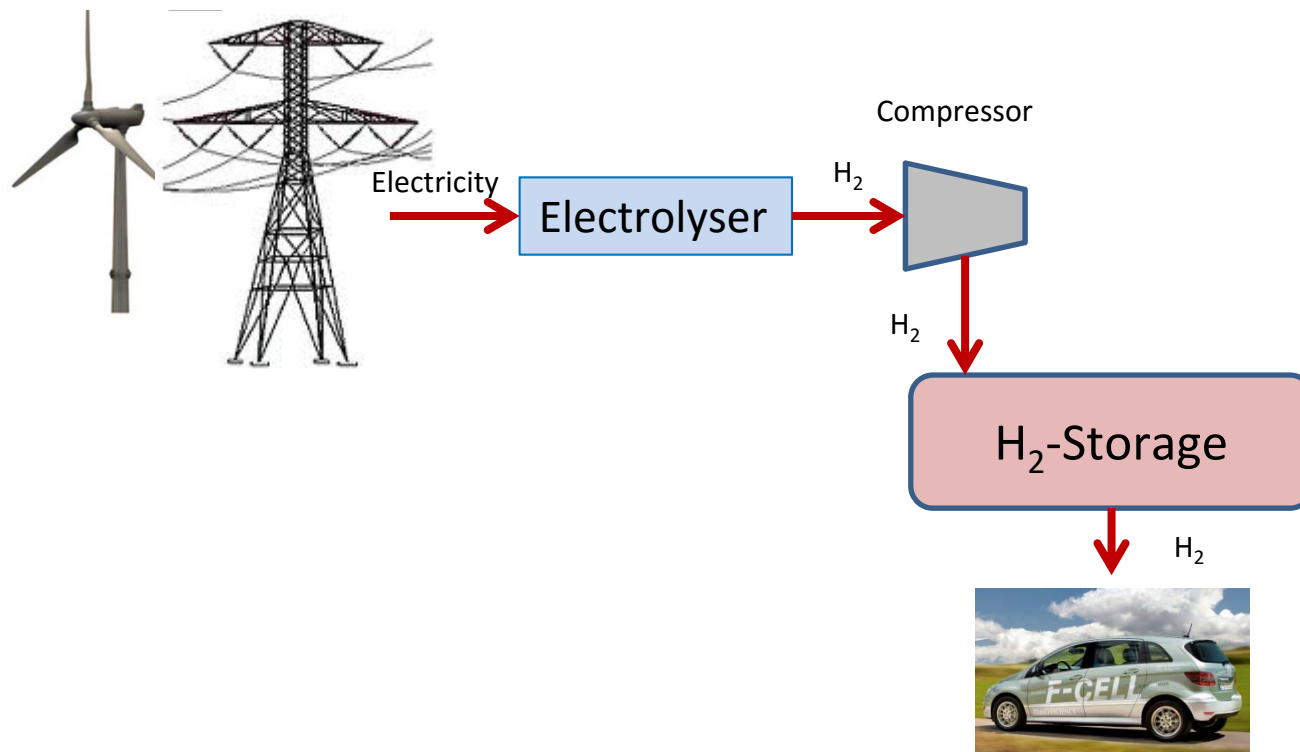


*Battery degradation*

Energy supply chains: Storage and/or use of RES for mobility

# Hydrogen: storage and fuel

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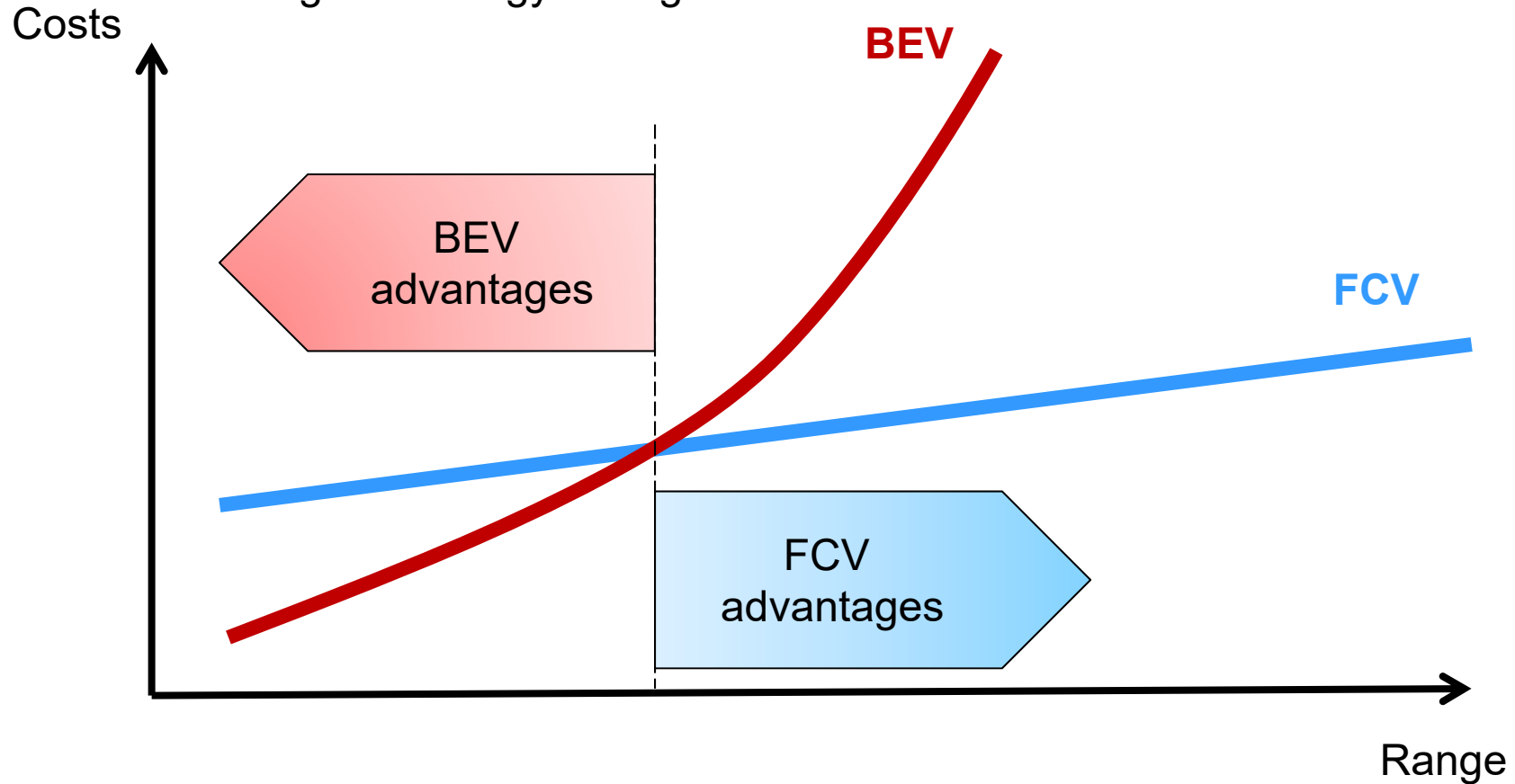


Energy supply chains: Storage and/or use of RES for mobility



# FCVs vs BEVs

- Fuel efficiency
- Refuelling time
- Driving range
- Weight of energy storage



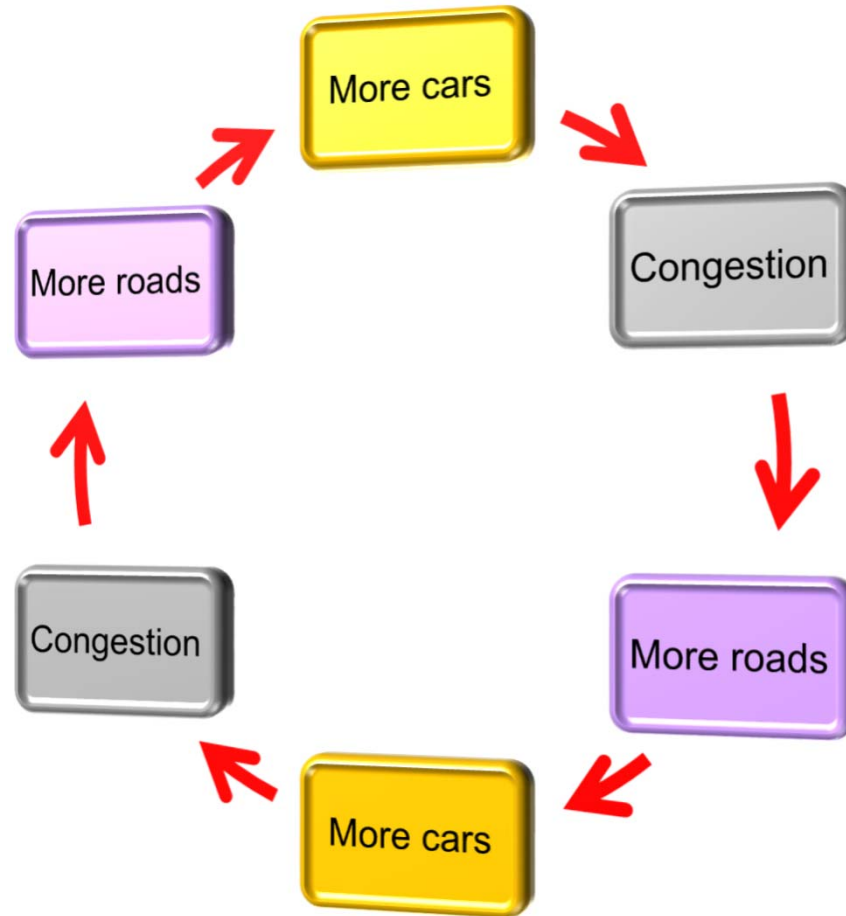
## *Conclusions*

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- Increasing electricity generation from variable RES  
⇒ need for new long-term storage options
- Need for environmentally friendly technologies in the transport sector
- Full environmental benefit – hydrogen from RES
- Major challenge – cost reduction and infrastructure development
- Stable policy framework, coordinated action between different stakeholders, standards – to derive economics of scale and reduce risks of the investment.

# *Car-oriented mobility*

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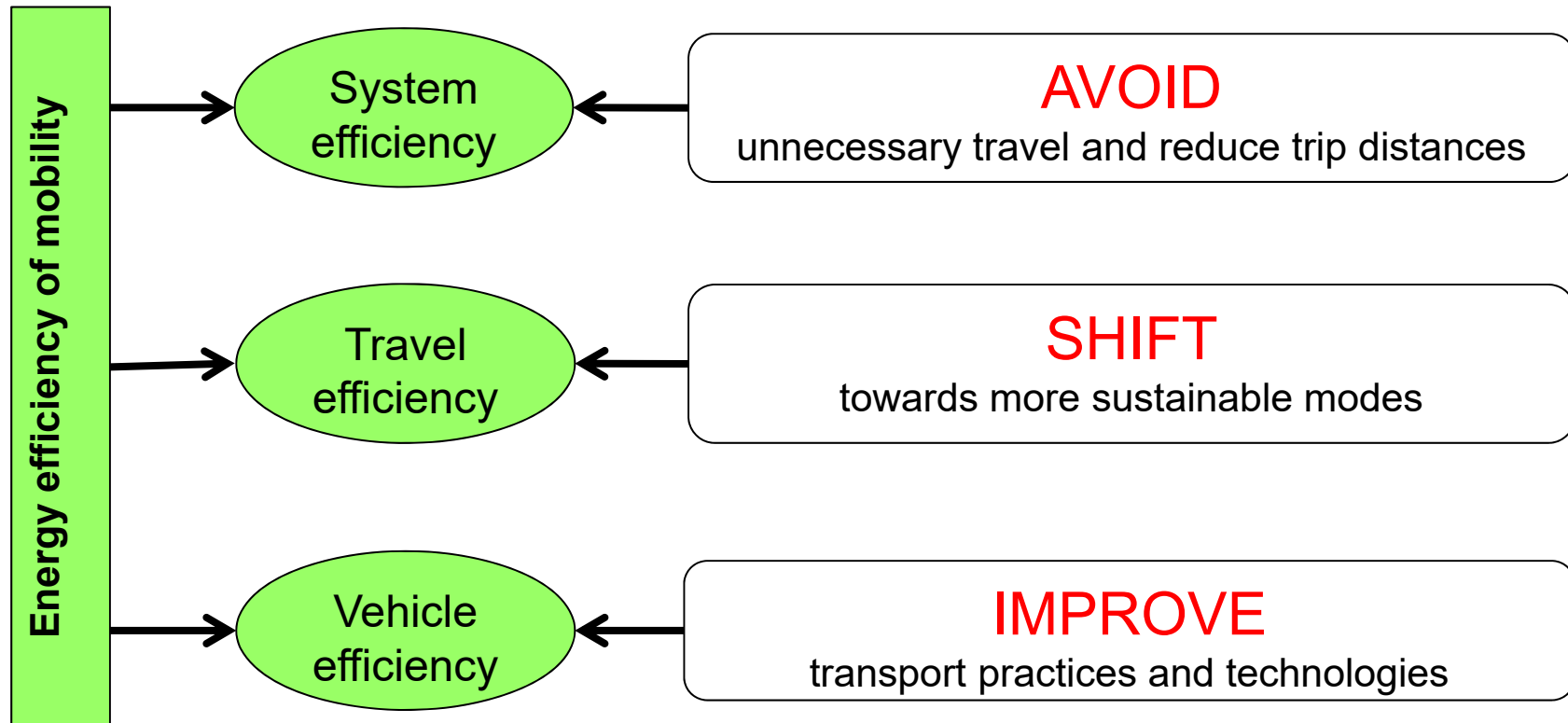
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Car-oriented transport development

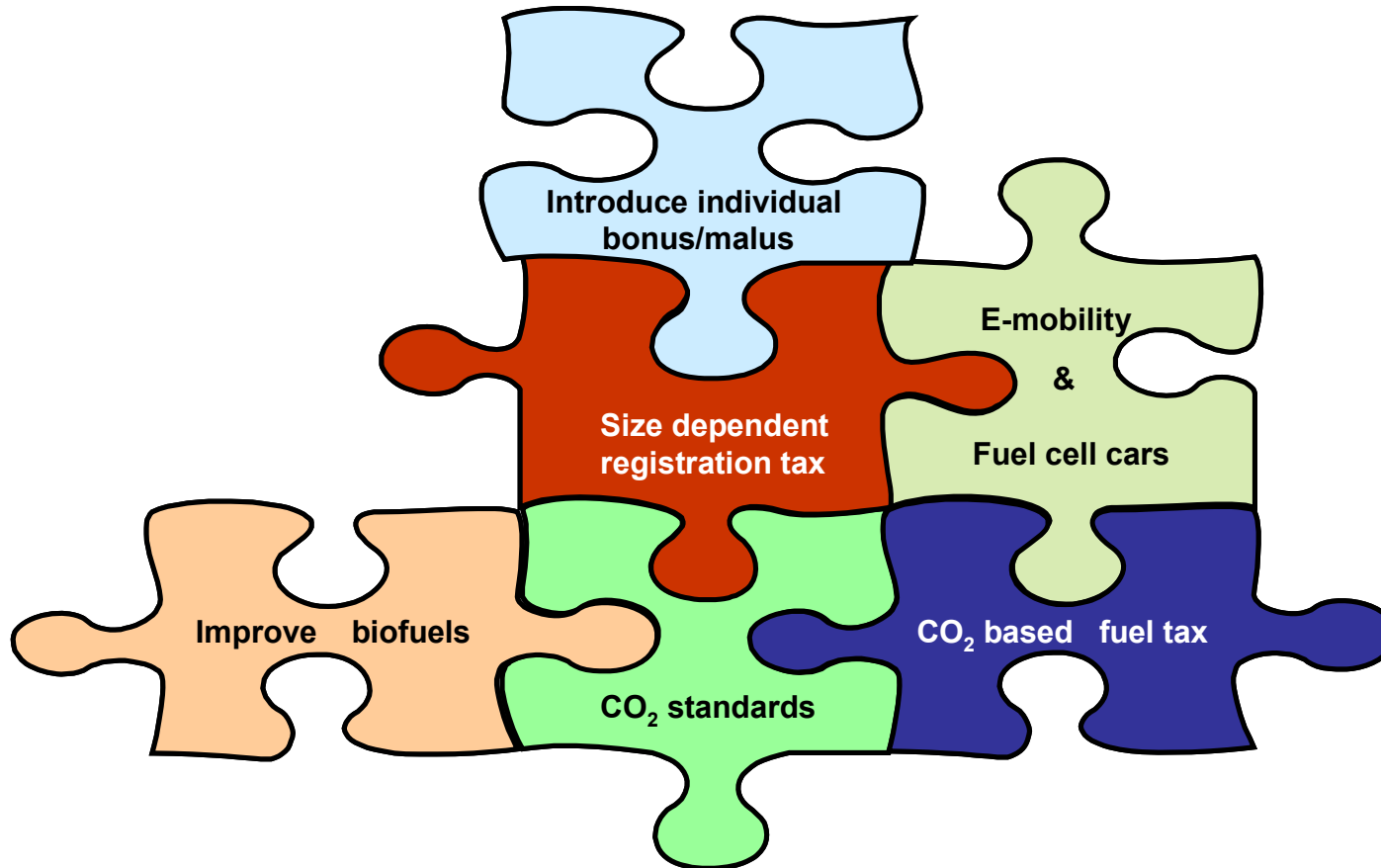
# Strategies for energy efficient mobility

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# Conclusions

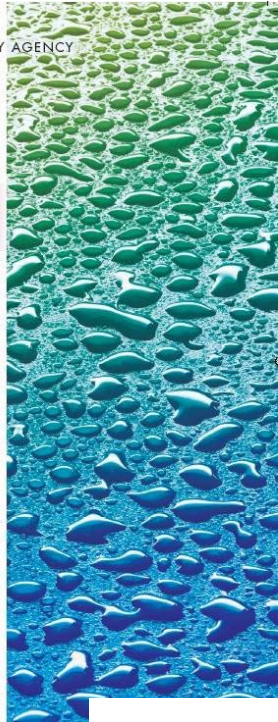
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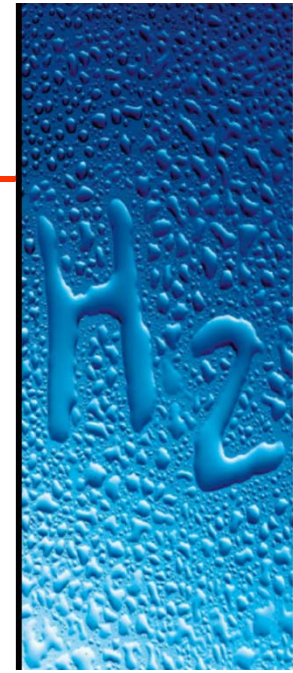
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