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Large-scale rollout of hydrogen powered fuel cell cars in the Netherlands

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Outline

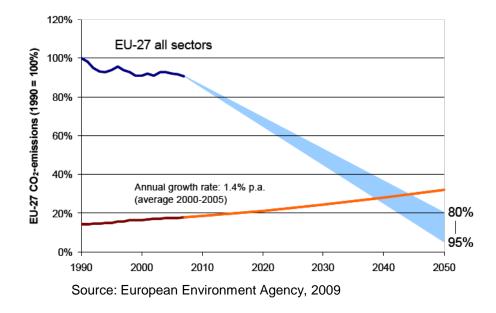
- Introduction: need for transition in mobility
- Low carbon concepts and industry vision
- Status and outlook for fuel cell electric cars
- EOS-LT project THRIVE
 - > Simulating roll-out of hydrogen cars and infrastructure
 - Cost analysis refuelling infrastructure and FCEV's
 - Environmental impact
- Summary and conclusions

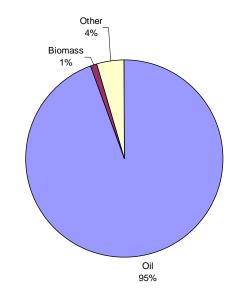


Introduction

Drivers for transition ...

- Reduce dependency on oil
- Substantial GHG emission reduction needed to limit global warming





World energy consumption transport sector by energy source; IEA World Energy Outlook 2008



Figure ES-6. Net Regional Oil Imports and Exports

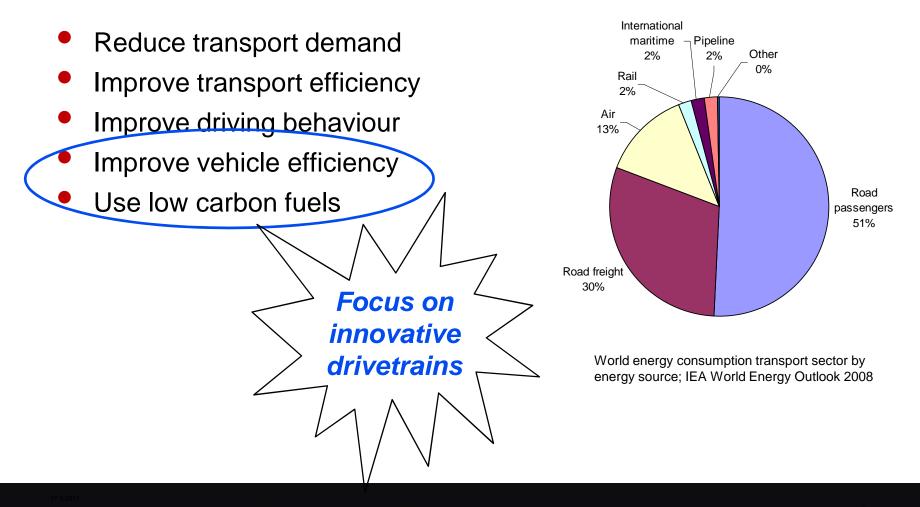
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Introduction

Options for improvement





Several innovative electric concepts available

• Electric car:

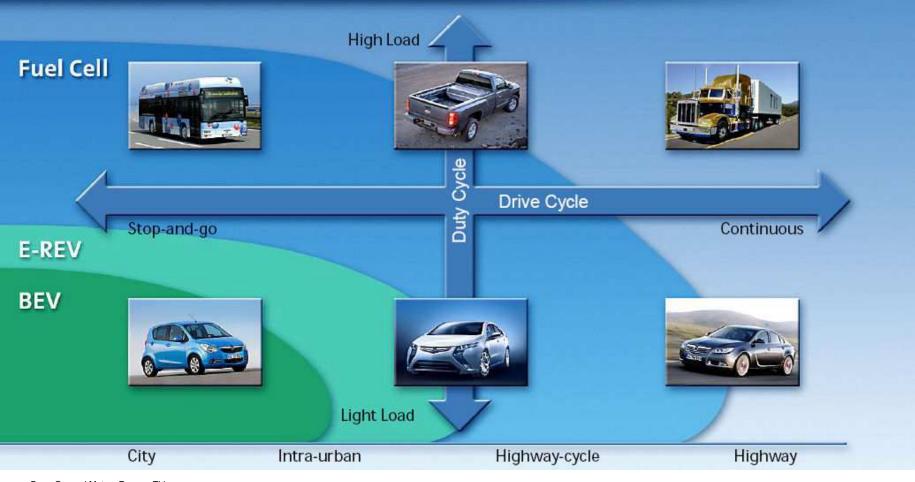
- Car driven by an electric motor only
- > Supply of electricity is the challenge, not the electric motor





Low carbon concepts and industry vision

Industry vision



Bron: General Motors Europe, Thiesen

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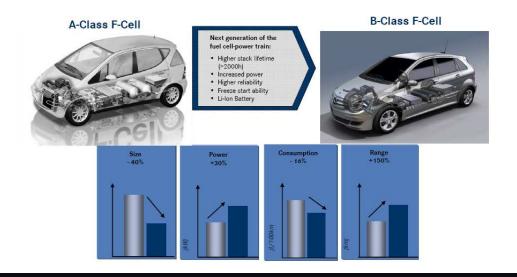
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FCEV major accomplishments

- Many millions miles of testing
- First cars reaching 150,000 km without major problems
- Cold start at 25 $^{\circ}$ no problem anymore

Progress Fuel Cell Technology - Next Generation FCVs





4th and new 5th generation Fuel Cell system of GM

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FCEV major accomplishments and outlook



Average fuel consumption during real world test 3.4 I_{g.e.}/100 km

- 'Toyota's first fuel-cell vehicle to be priced 'shockingly' low' (16 July 2009)
- Toyota aims for \$50,000 production hydrogen sedan (7 May 2010)
- Hyundai-Kia "confident we can beat" Toyota's \$50,000 price on fuel cell cars (6 June 2010)



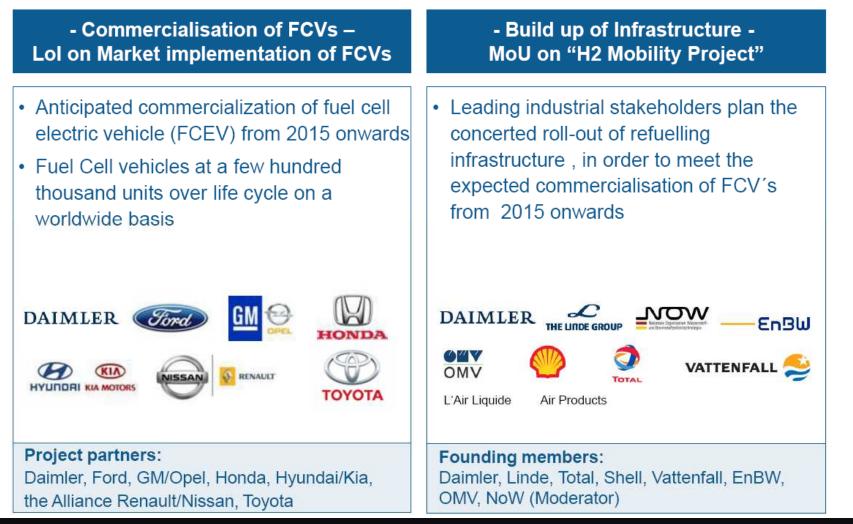
Line up for market rollout?



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Hydrogen and FCEV require coordinated action

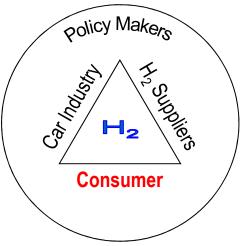






THRIVE: Study of hydrogen roll-out scenarios

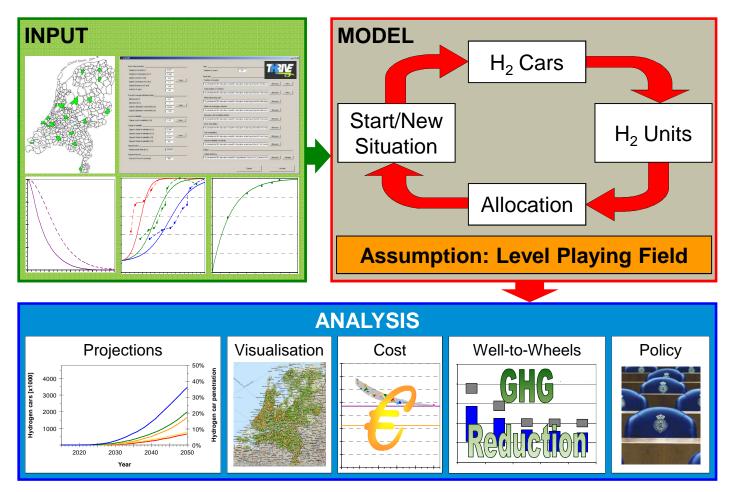
- <u>Dynamic</u> simulation <u>consumer-driven</u>, <u>interdependent</u> roll-out of a FCEV fleet and corresponding hydrogen refuelling infrastructure
- Cost analysis
- Analysis impact on GHG emissions
- Focus:
 - > Hydrogen as fuel for passenger cars
 - Commercialisation phase
 - The Netherlands







Project approach





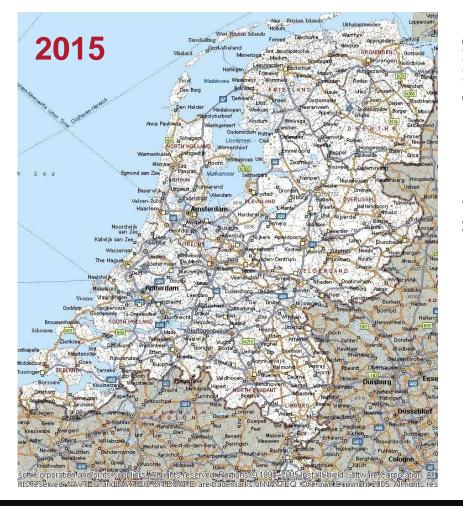


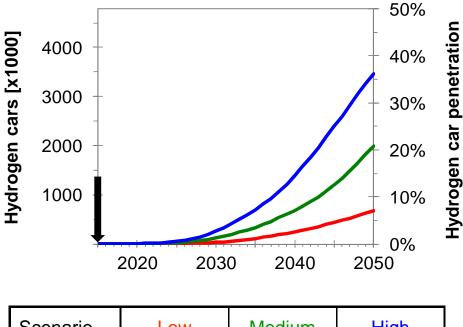
Coherent scenarios

Policy ambition level	Low	Medium	High
Fuel supplier strategy	Careful	Reactive	Proactive
Car industry strategy	Careful	Reactive	Proactive
Consumer attractiveness	Low	Medium	High









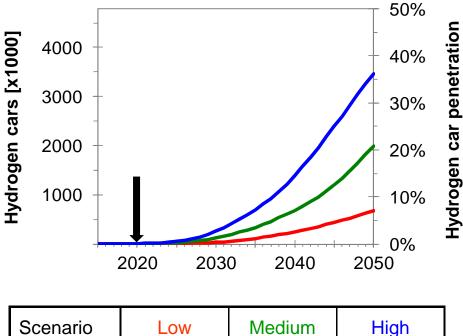
Scenario	Low	Medium	High

 $\Box \longrightarrow \blacksquare$ Increasing number of H2 refuelling units $(\Box \longrightarrow \textcircled{}$ Increasing H2 car penetration









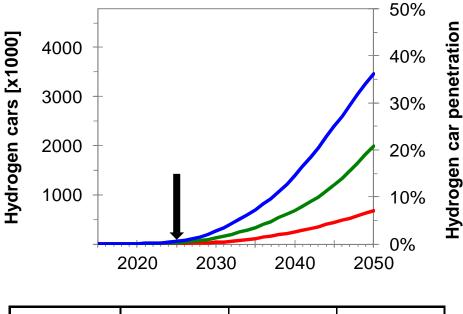
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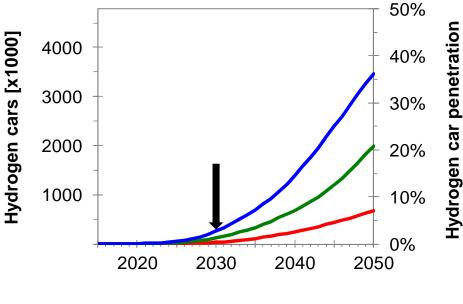
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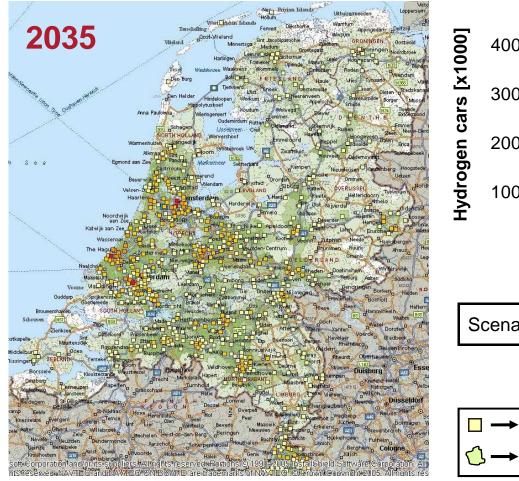


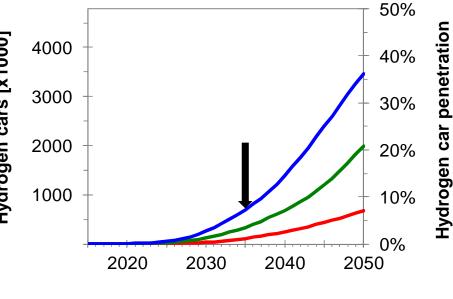
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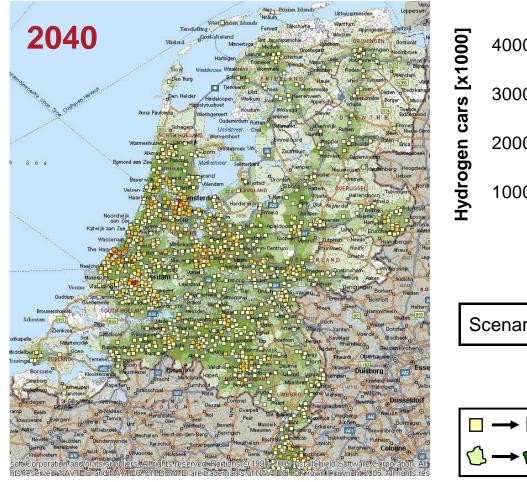


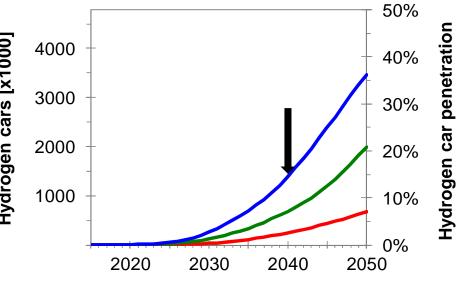
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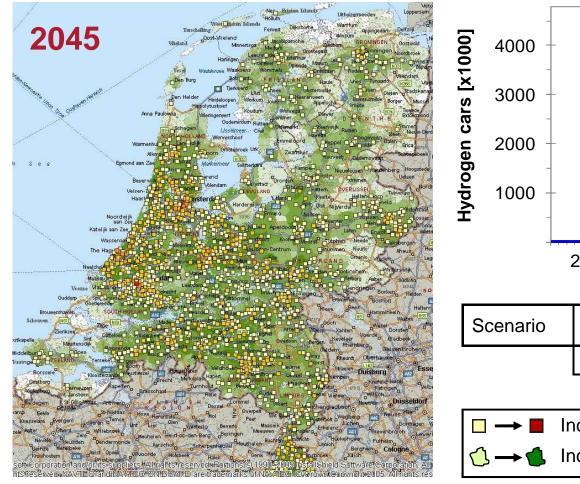


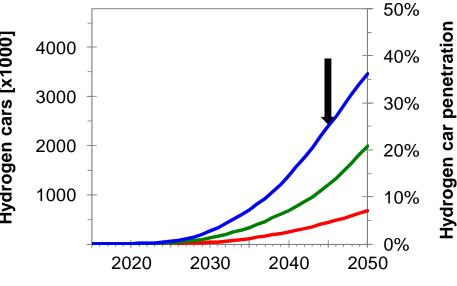
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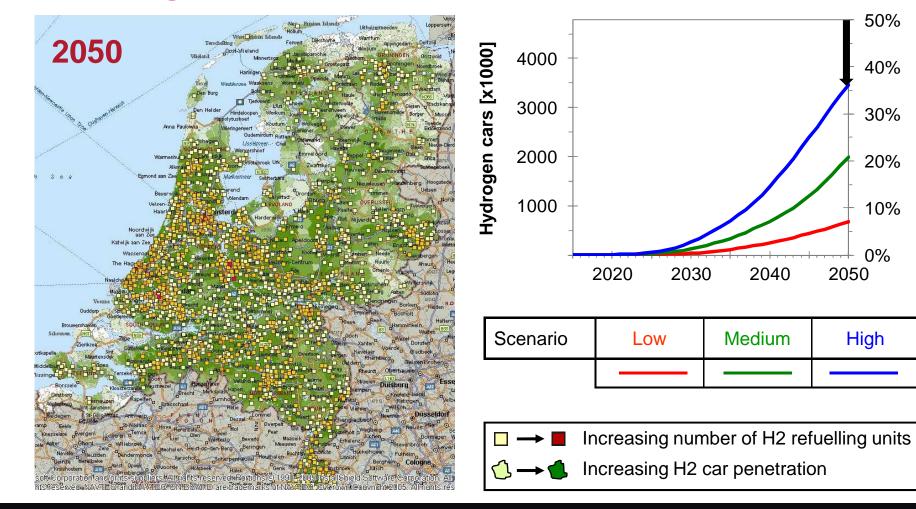
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Hydrogen car penetration

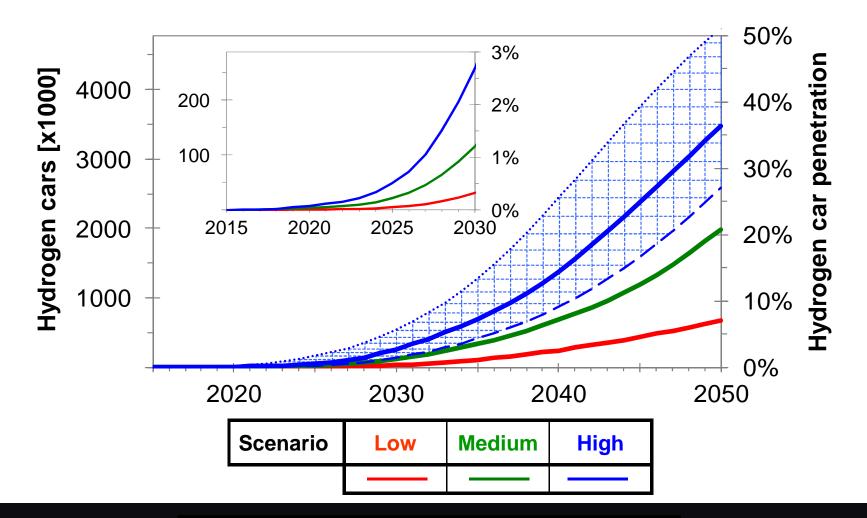
High Scenario







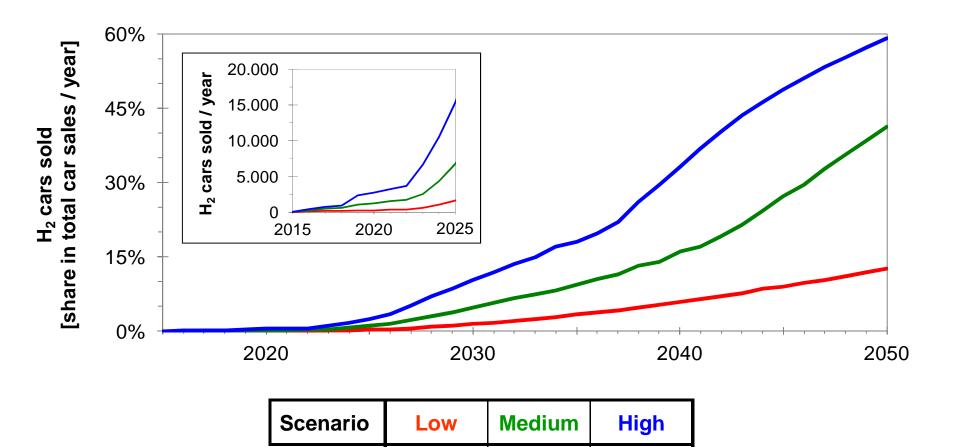
Results – car penetration per scenario







Results – Share of H₂ cars in total car sales

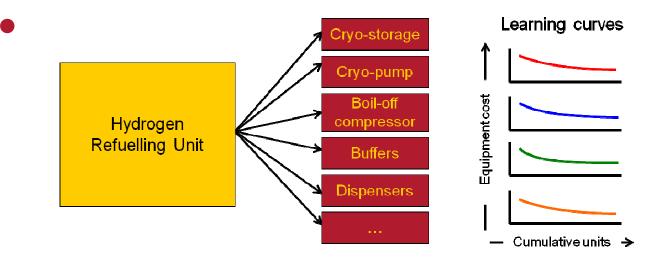






Considered refuelling station concept

- Integration in existing refuelling stations
 - Central production and liquefaction of hydrogen
 - Truck-delivery and cryo-storage of liquid hydrogen
 - ➢ Dispensing of gaseous hydrogen at 350 − 700 bar in <3 min</p>
 - Pressurisation of hydrogen using cryo-pump
 - Expansion capacity with standardized modules







Investment Cost Analysis

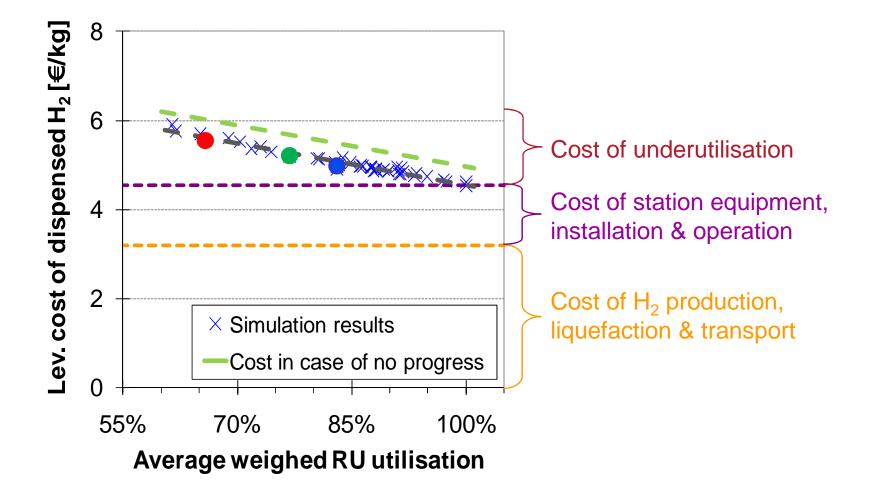
- Discounted Cash Flow (DCF) analysis
- Levelised cost of dispensed H_2 (in \in_{2010})
 - Cost for which project NPV = 0 after economic lifetime
 - > Minimum price (excl. VAT) to be charged at the pump
 - > 2 perspectives:
 - <u>Whole infrastructure perspective (one big project)</u>:
 Cumulative Net Present Value = 0 for investments until 2050
 - Single investor perspective (individual projects):

Net Present Value = 0 after economic lifetime





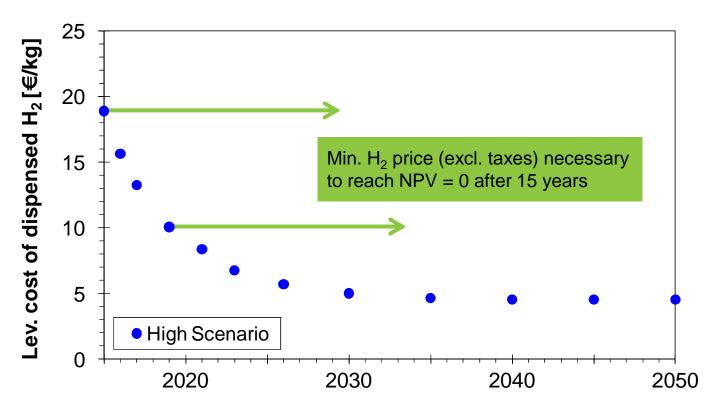
Whole Infrastructure Perspective







Single Investor Perspective

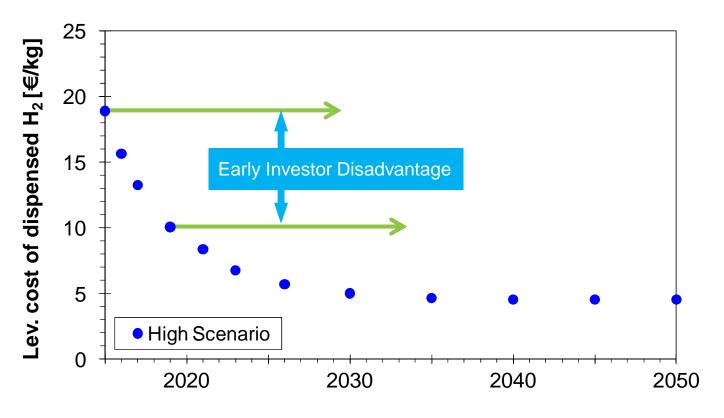


Year of first investment





Early Investor Disadvantage

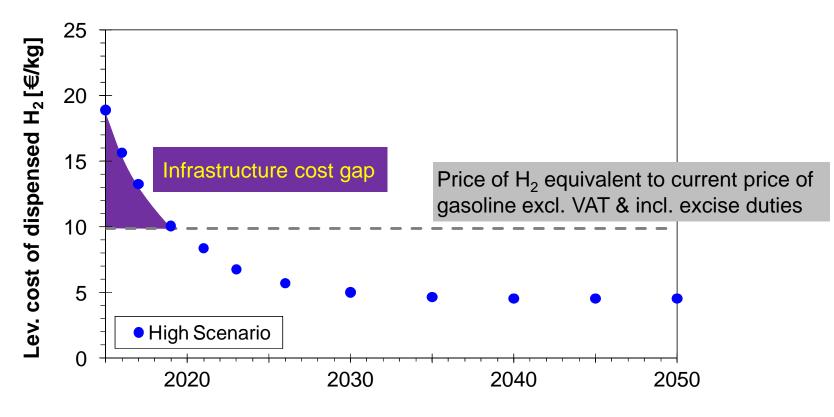


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Definition "Infrastructure Cost Gap"

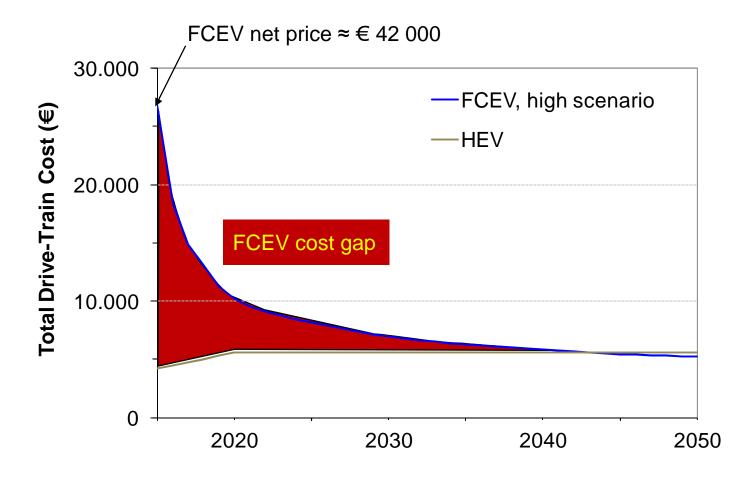


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Definition "FCEV Cost Gap"



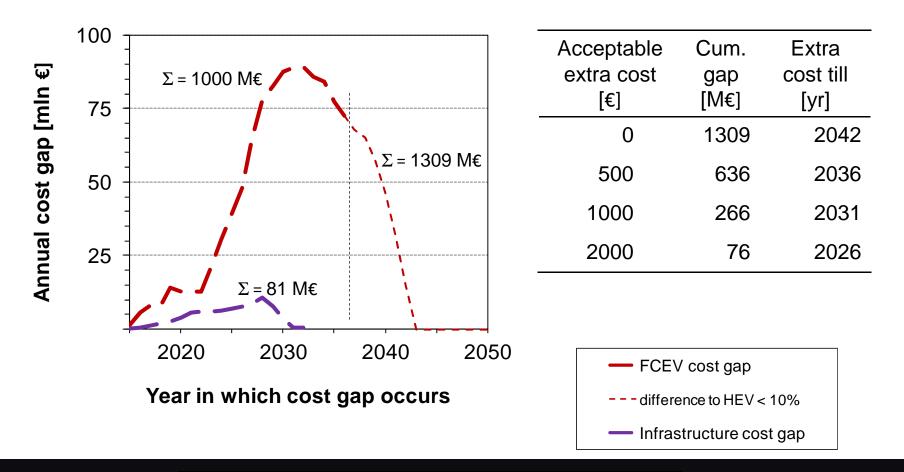
Towards a Hydrogen Refuelling Infrastructure for VEhicles

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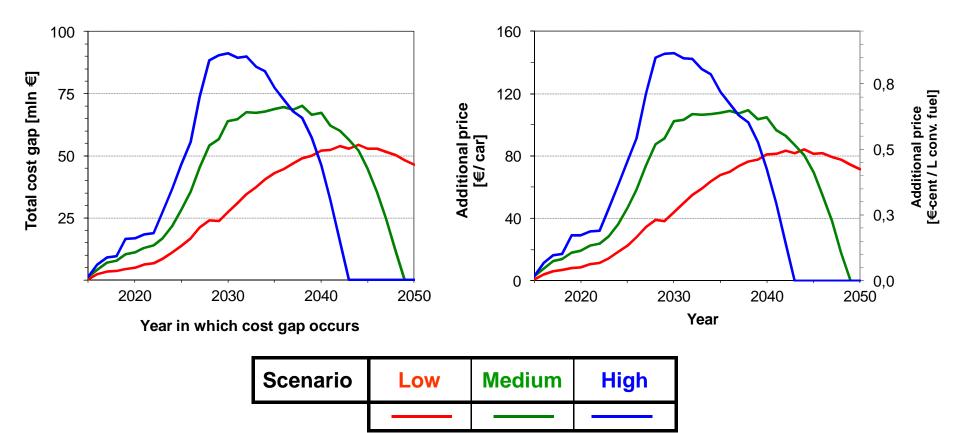
Cost Gap Analysis – High Scenario –







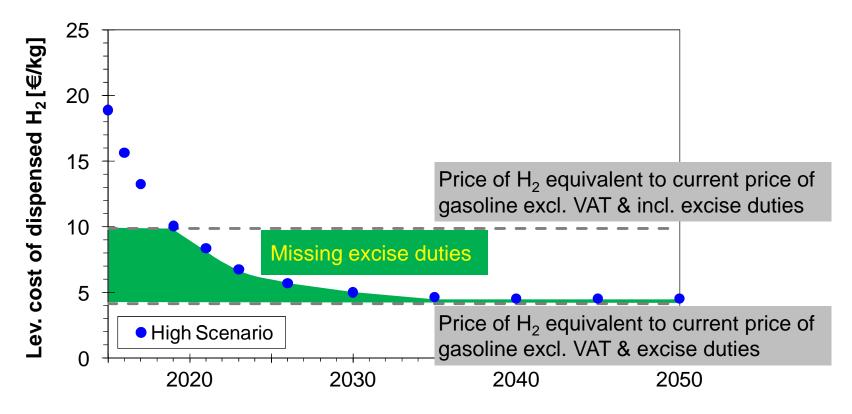
Cost Gap Analysis – Comparison of Scenarios –







Cost Gap Analysis – Missing Excise Duties

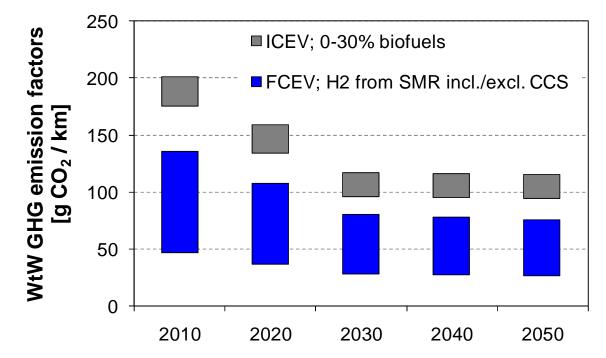


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WTW GHG Emission Factors

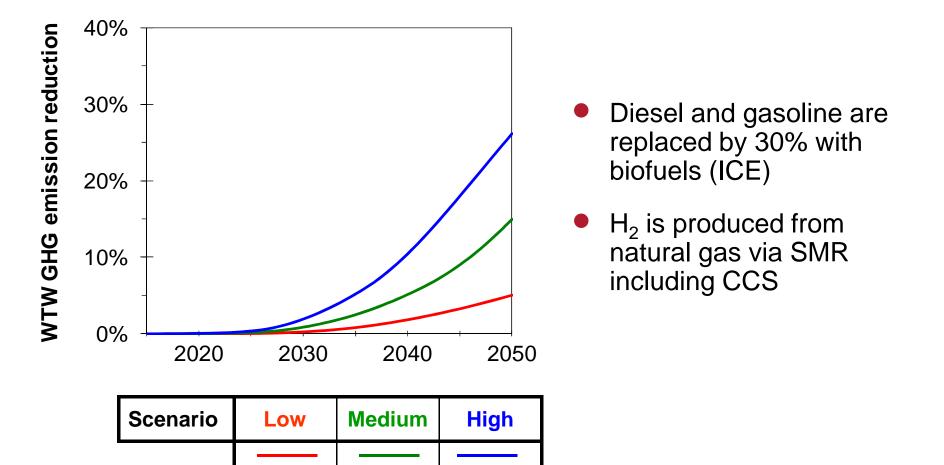


- ICEV-fleet's energy consumption: 40% gasoline, 60% diesel
- Bandwidth dependent on % biofuels (ICEV) and CCS (H₂)
- FCEV offer 30% to 70% lower WTW GHG emission factors





Environmental impact of FCEV (Example)





Conclusions

- THRIVE scenarios indicate that by 2050, up to 35% of all cars in the Netherlands could run on hydrogen
- Meaningful penetration requires large upfront investments in refuelling infrastructure, initially suffering from underutilisation and thus leading to high initial cost
- First movers require stimulation to overcome first mover uncertainties and disadvantages
- THRIVE evaluated that hydrogen is doable and affordable; cost gaps that need to be bridged cumulate to about 1 - 2 billion € (excl. missed excise duty), to be bridged in 2 – 3 decades
- Good prospects for significant Well-to-Wheel GHG emission reduction, especially if proper incentives are introduced for 'clean and green' hydrogen



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World's first draft beer powered by a hydrogen fuel cell at the Dutch Pavilion WHEC 2010



