

Decarbonizing industry: H2, CCUS and Renewable

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SPEAKER INTRODUCTION

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1995-1998

1998-1999

1999-2002

Ecole Polytechnique

DEA Theoretical Physics

PhD Theoretical Stat. Physics



Air Liquide

2003-2006

2007-2011

2011-2015

2016-2020

2020-Today

R&D - CCS project leader

Energy Management Europe

Large Industry World Business Line (Energy)

Hydrogen Energy Strategy & Marketing

Deputy VP Group Sustainability

**Deputy VP
Sustainability**

Group
Sustainable
Development

Expert in Climate & Energy

Outline of presentation

- I. Introduction to Air Liquide**
 - A. Business model & key figures
 - B. Sustainability strategy
- II. Global CO2 emissions: focus on industry**
- III. Air Liquide's solutions to support industry decarbonization**
 - A. Technology pathways
 - B. Achievements

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Air Liquide in brief

A world leader in gases, technologies, and services for...



INDUSTRY

Sustainable solutions for a wide range of industrial processes for customers (energy, metals, food, chemicals, automotive, pharmaceuticals, etc.) **and for transportation**



HEALTH

Patients at home
Hospitals
Specialty ingredients

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Air Liquide

A world leader in industrial gases and related services

A unique model

Our profile

~66,300^(*)
committed employees
in 60^(*) countries

Extensive scientific & technical expertise
in industrial gases (oxygen, nitrogen, hydrogen, etc.)

> 4 million
customers & patients

3,900
employees dedicated to innovation

6 Innovation and Technologies Campuses

14,800
patents

2 industrial gases production models
>Centralized production
>On-site production at customers'

3 industrial gases distribution networks
>9,700 km of pipelines for large quantities
~ 20 million cylinders for small quantities
~ 10,000 trucks for medium quantities

Our business model

Long-term vision and sustainable growth strategy

A wide range of customers and applications

Major ability to innovate

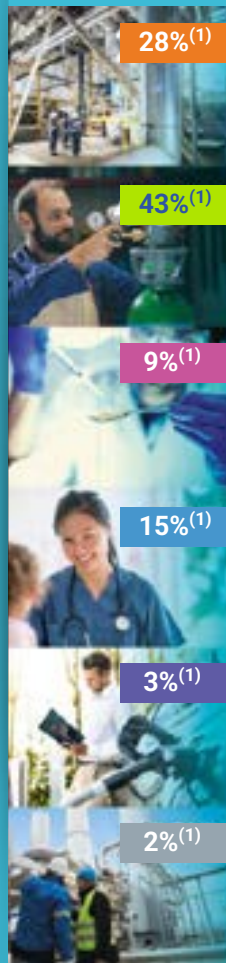
Long-term customer contracts, indexed to energy prices

Management and optimization of production and distribution chain

Active involvement in new markets

Global presence and local activity

Our activities



Serving almost all economic sectors

LARGE INDUSTRIES
Industrial gases in large quantities in the framework of long-term partnerships



Chemicals
Refining
Metals

INDUSTRIAL MERCHANT
Industrial gases in small and medium quantities, application technologies, small equipment and related services serving a wide range of customers



Materials & energy
Automotive & fabrication
Food & pharmaceuticals
Technology & research
Entrepreneurs & distributors

ELECTRONICS
Ultra-pure gases in large quantities and development of new molecules



Semiconductors
Photovoltaic
Flat panels

HEALTHCARE
Medical gases, products and services to support patients and customers in hospital and at home



Hospitals
Home healthcare
Specialty ingredients

GLOBAL MARKETS & TECHNOLOGIES
Molecules, equipment and services to support of energy transition and deep tech⁽²⁾



Energy transition
Deep tech⁽²⁾

ENGINEERING & CONSTRUCTION
Plants and equipment for industrial gas production



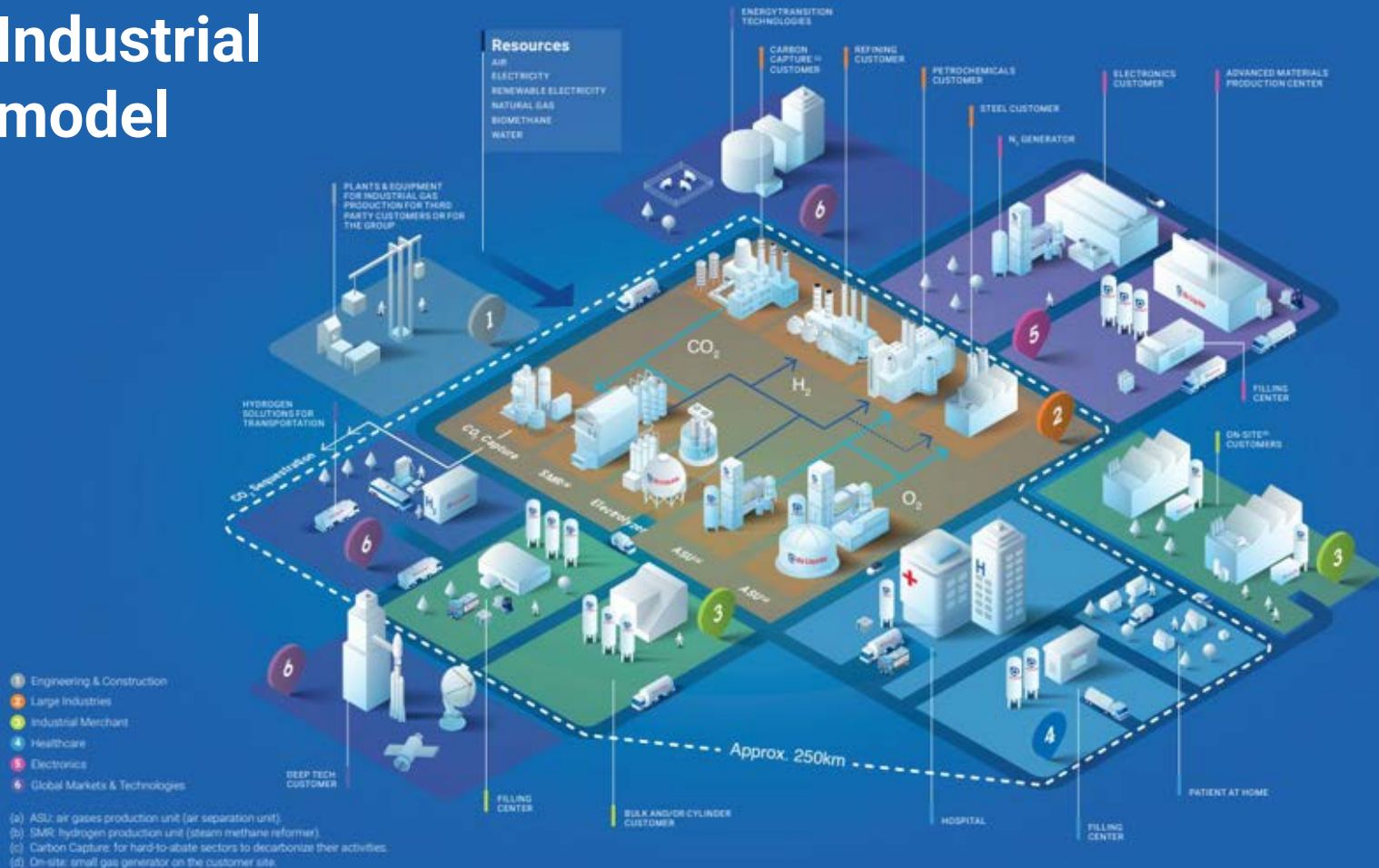
Customers choosing to insource their industrial gas needs

^(*) Figures as of July 23, 2024

⁽¹⁾ Percentage of 2023 Group revenue.

⁽²⁾ Disruptive technologies based on scientific breakthroughs that can fundamentally change design and production methods.

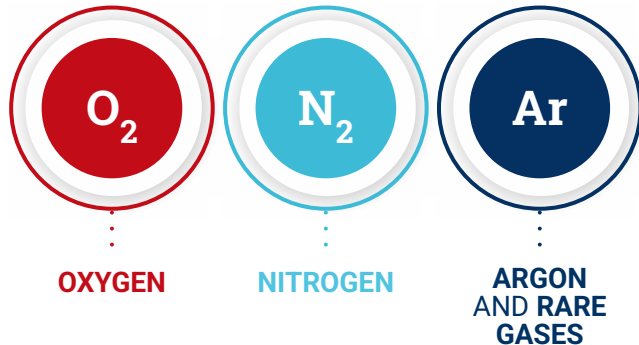
Industrial model



Our scientific territory: Essential small molecules

Oxygen, nitrogen and hydrogen are essential small molecules for life, matter and energy. They embody Air Liquide's scientific territory and have been at the core of the company's activities.

Separating the components of **air** to take advantage of their properties



Producing and managing molecules from the **natural resources** of the planet



2023 Key Figures



~66,300
EMPLOYEES⁽¹⁾



PRESENT IN
60 COUNTRIES⁽¹⁾



MORE THAN
4 MILLION
CUSTOMERS &
PATIENTS



REVENUE
€27.6bn



NET PROFIT
(GROUP SHARE)
€3.1bn



INVESTMENT
DECISIONS
~€4.3bn

⁽¹⁾ Figures as of July 23, 2024

Gas & Services revenue

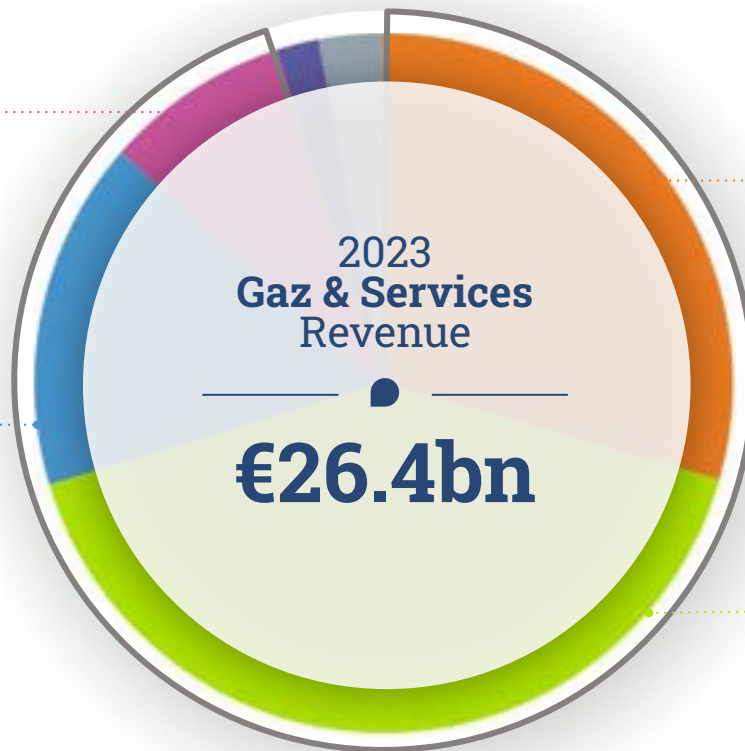
2023 figures

9% ELECTRONICS

Carrier Gases
Advanced Materials
Equipment & Installations
Services

15% HEALTHCARE

Home Healthcare
Hospitals
Specialty Ingredients



LARGE INDUSTRIES

28%

Air gases, hydrogen and CO
15-year or more contracts
Pipeline networks
Industrial basins

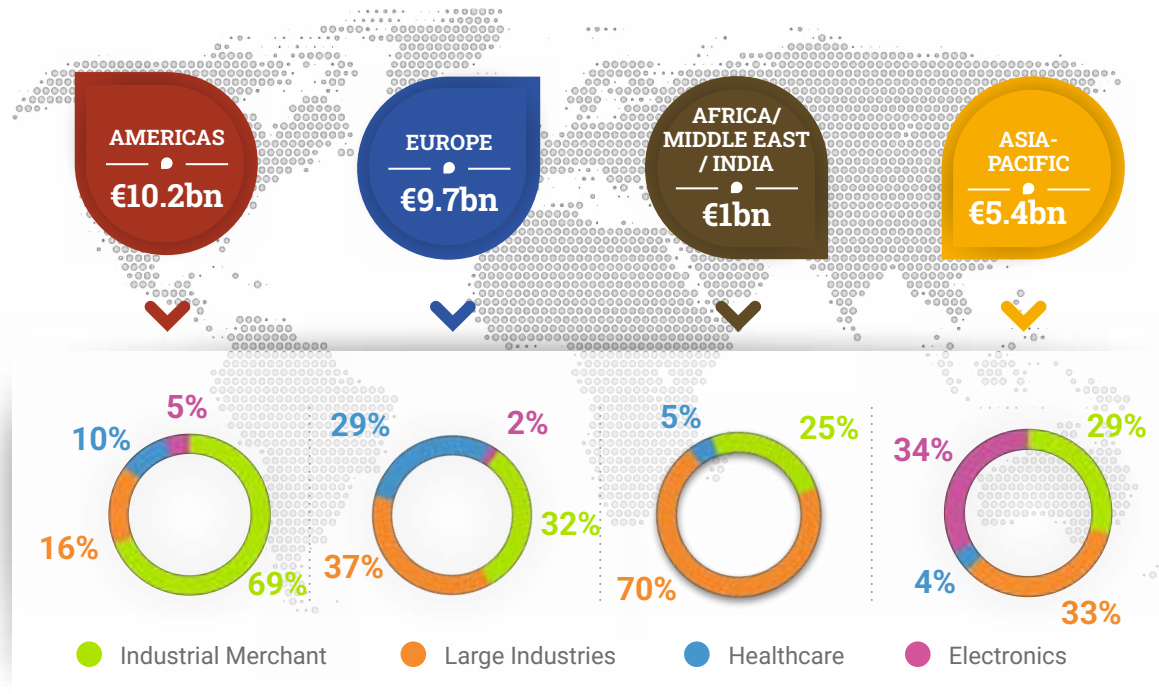
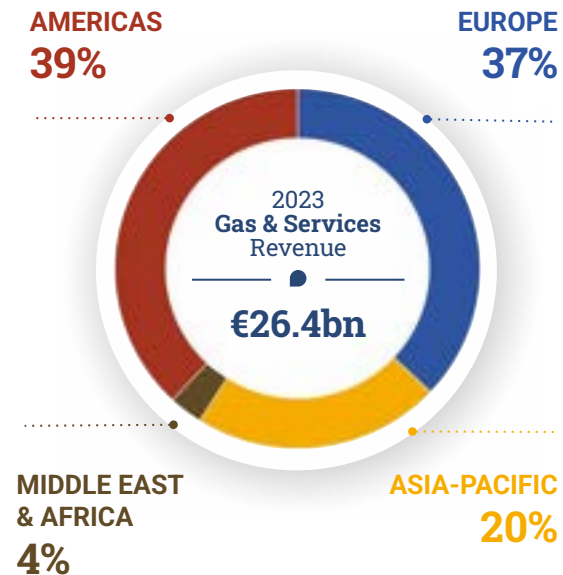
INDUSTRIAL MERCHANT

43%

Bulk and cylinder gases
Hardgoods
for a wide variety of sectors
and customer sizes

Gas & Services revenue breakdown by region

2023 figures





Our commitments to Sustainability

Pillars of our ESG strategy

Our sustainability priorities

For the environment



Contribute to a low-carbon society and to the protection of the environment



Reducing CO₂ emissions



Preserving water



Protecting biodiversity

For health



Improve the quality of life of patients and the access to medical oxygen



Improving the quality of life of patients with chronic diseases at home in mature economies



Facilitating access to medical oxygen in low- and middle-income countries

For all



Strive to act as a trusted partner with all our stakeholders



Safety



Engaging with our employees: creating a safer, more collaborative and inclusive work environment

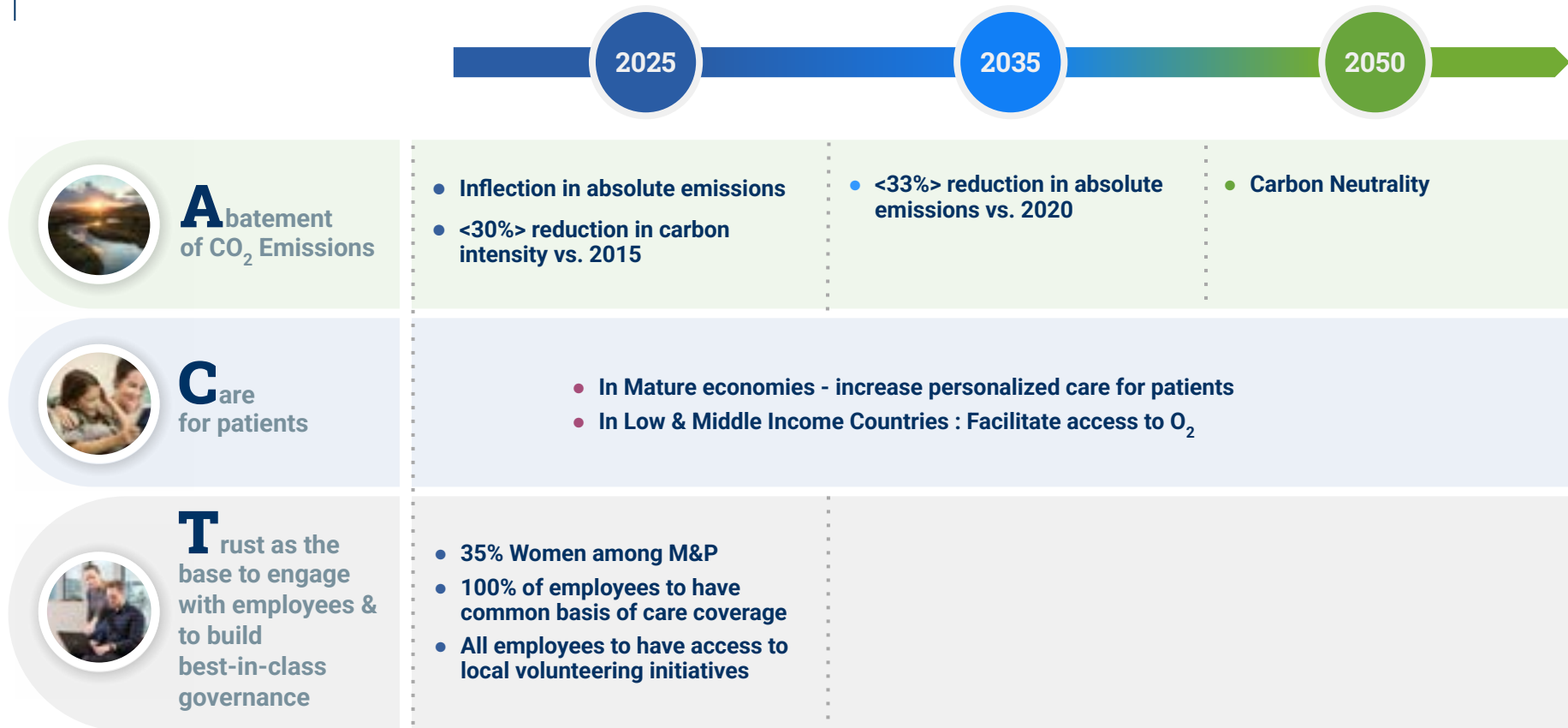


Supporting local communities



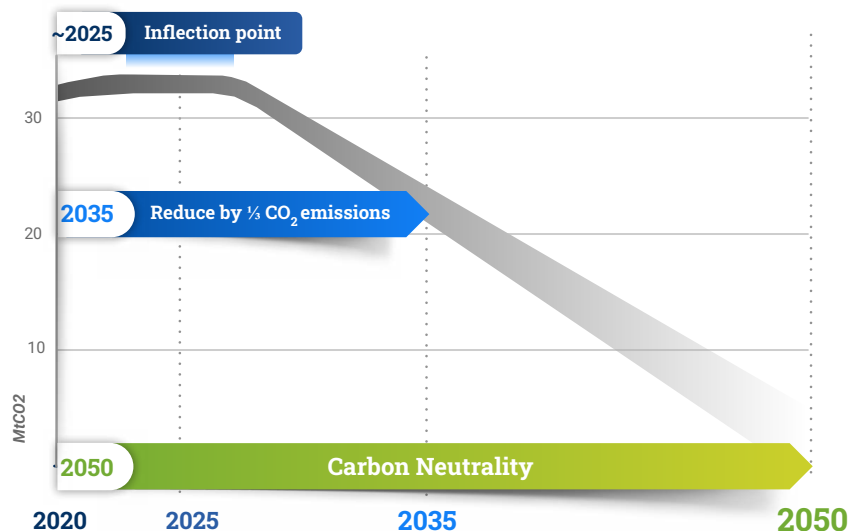
Building a best-in-class governance to nourish close relationships with stakeholders

March 2021: First Complete Set of ESG Commitments



...With CO2 Emissions Reduction Becoming One of the 3 Strategic Objectives

Absolute Scope 1+2 emissions



2035 objectives submitted to SBTi were recognized as "Well Below 2"

Subject to favorable long-term policy and regulatory frameworks, and availability of new low-carbon energy infrastructure

(1) Group comparable growth 2021-2025 CAGR (2) Recurring ROCE based on Recurring Net Profit

ADVANCE Performance Objectives



Beyond fighting climate change: preserving water resources and biodiversity

Our commitments and associated progress



Water management

Implement a **water management plan by 2025** for high water use sites in high water stress areas.

✓ Priority sites identified

🔄 **Under implementation**

Define a **Group standard** for all operations related to the quality of discharged water.

✓ Group Standard defined

🔄 **Under implementation**

Over **90%** of water returned to source.



Biodiversity preservation

Air Liquide biodiversity
Commitments validated by

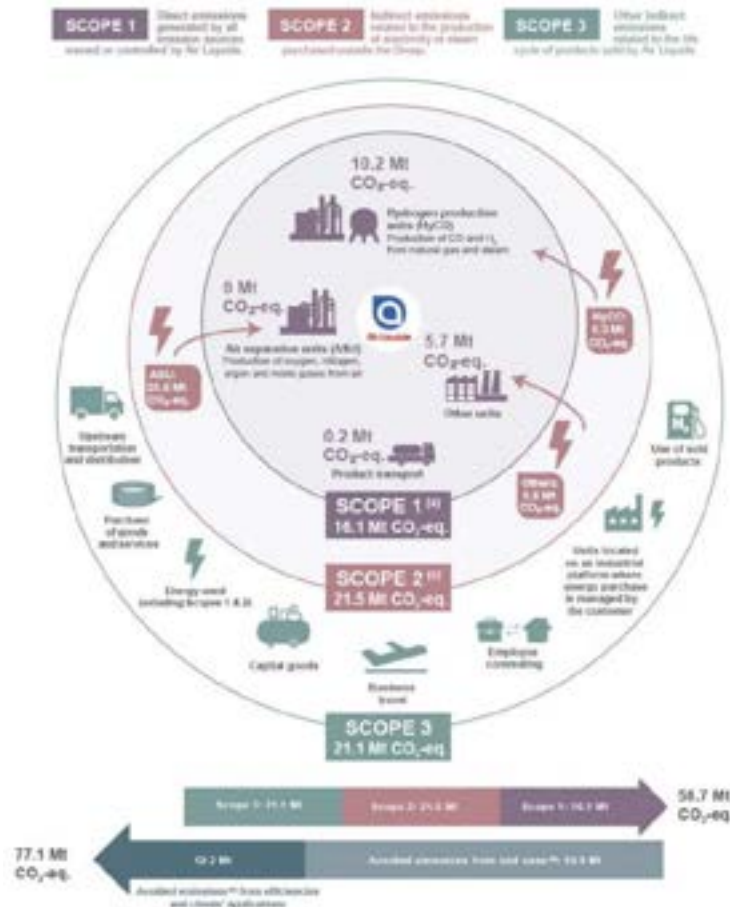
act4nature
international

- Reinforce **biodiversity assessment criteria** in the **investment process** for all new projects by 2024.
- Develop and implement an **aggregated biodiversity indicator** by 2025.
- Raise **awareness** amongst employees on biodiversity
- Reaffirm the Group's **climate and water ambition**.



2023 Scope 1+2 Emissions

- **Direct emissions (Scope 1)**
coming mostly from ~ 20 large plants
⇒ in particular Hydrogen production units
- **Indirect emissions**
from power consumption coming from
less than 10 countries
⇒ dependent upon local Grid Mix and low
carbon power availability
- **Other indirect emissions (Scope 3)**
 - Upstream: procured goods, services, energy, feedstocks
 - Downstream: use of very specific products



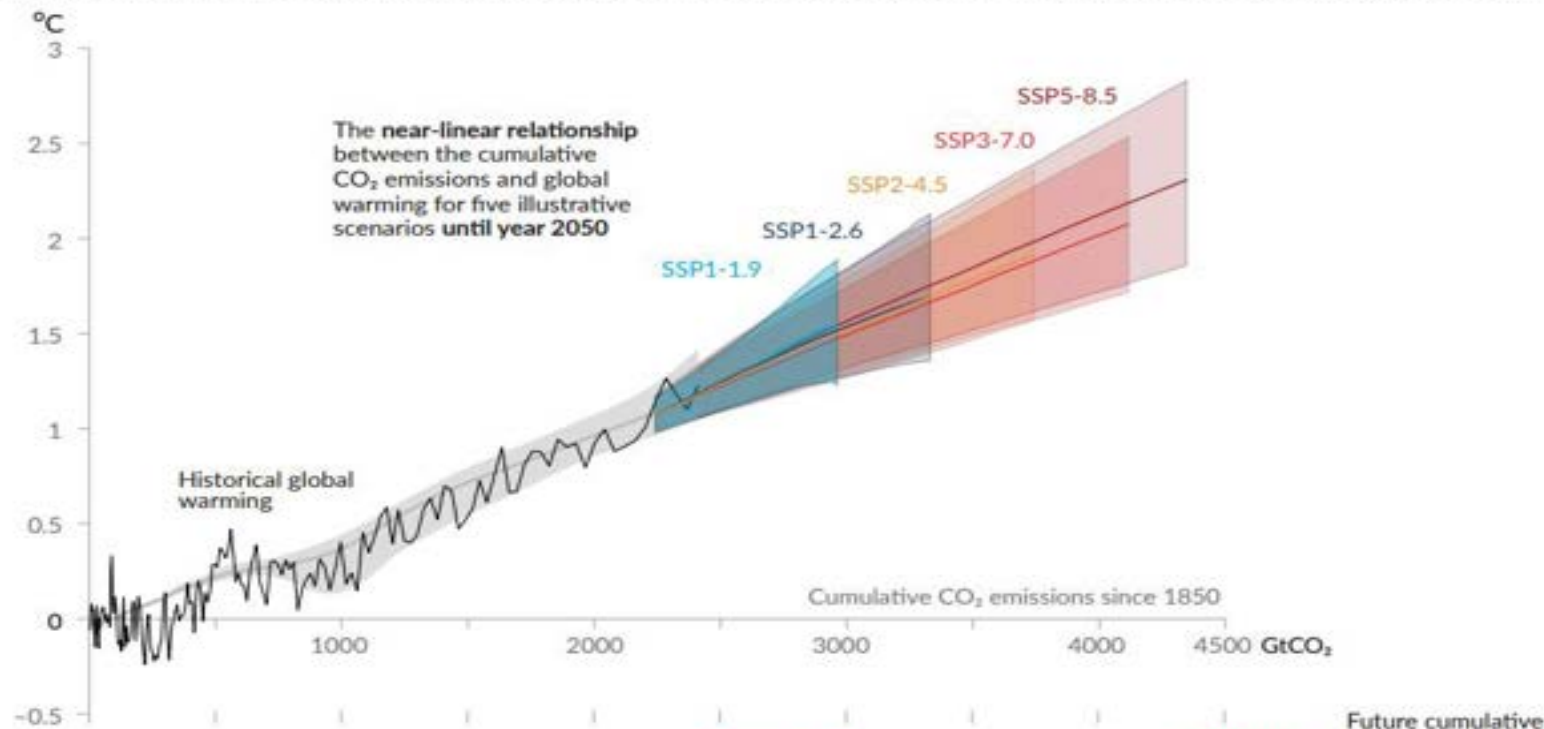
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Setting the stage: CO2 emissions

Setting the Scene: What science says - Carbon Budget drives T°

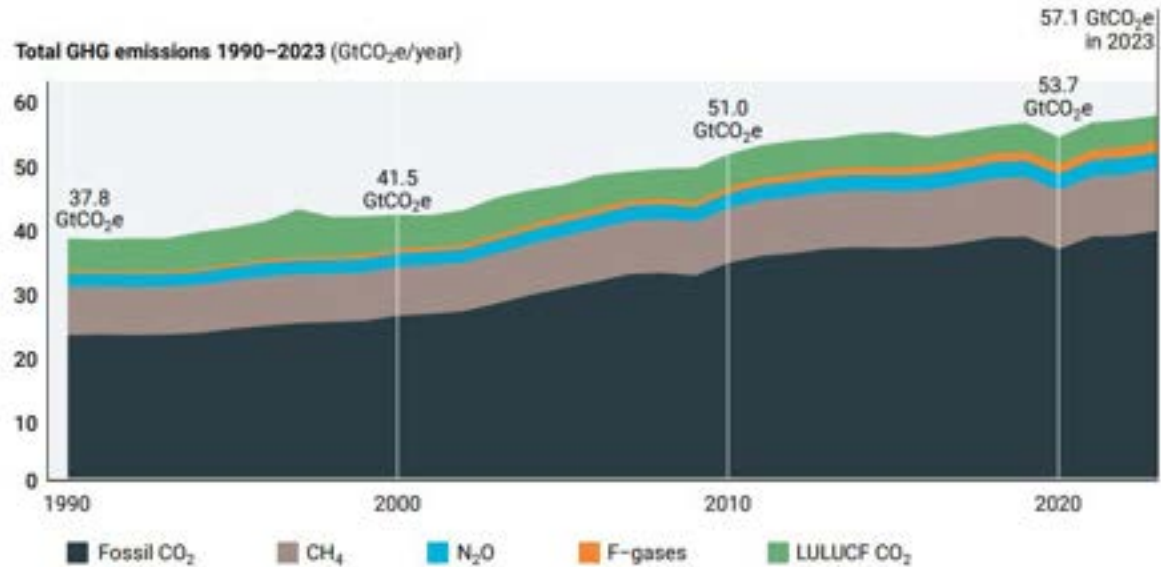
Every tonne of CO₂ emissions adds to global warming

Global surface temperature increase since 1850–1900 (°C) as a function of cumulative CO₂ emissions (GtCO₂)



Setting the Scene: GHG emissions

Figure 2.1 Total net anthropogenic GHG emissions, 1990–2023

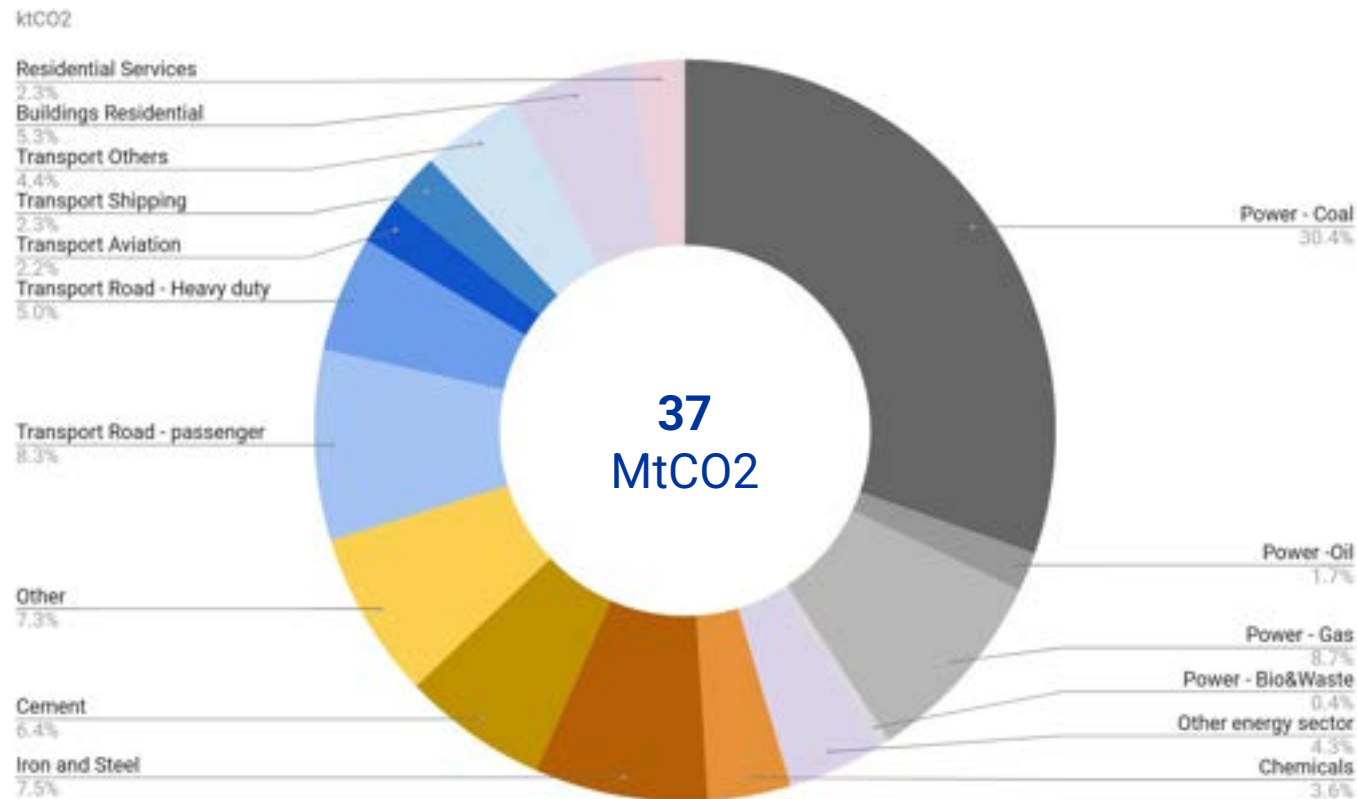


Note: Non-CO₂ GHGs are converted to CO₂e using global warming potentials with a 100-year time horizon from the IPCC WGI AR6 (Forster et al. 2021).

Sources: Crippa et al. (2024); Friedlingstein et al. (2023).

Source: UNFCCC

Setting the Scene: Global CO2 2023 Emissions^(*)



(*) combustion and industrial processes ; excludes non CO2 GHG, agriculture and LULUCF (Land-Use, Land Use Change and Forestry)

Focus: Industrial sector emissions

Industry ~ 9.2 GtCO₂ (2023) (excluding emissions from imported power)

Other
29.4%

- Heat & power
- Process emissions

Cement
25.6%

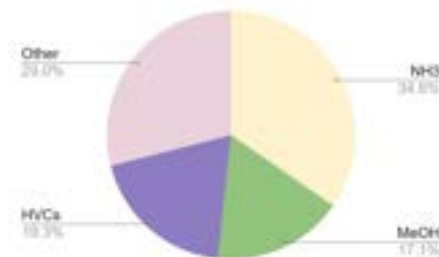
- Clinker production $\text{CaCO}_3 \Rightarrow \text{CaO (lime)} + \text{CO}_2$ (~90% of emissions)
- Heat requirements

Chemicals
14.6%

- High Value Chemicals from steam crackers
- Ammonia (NH₃)
- Methanol
- Other base chemicals, specialty chemicals, pharmaceuticals,

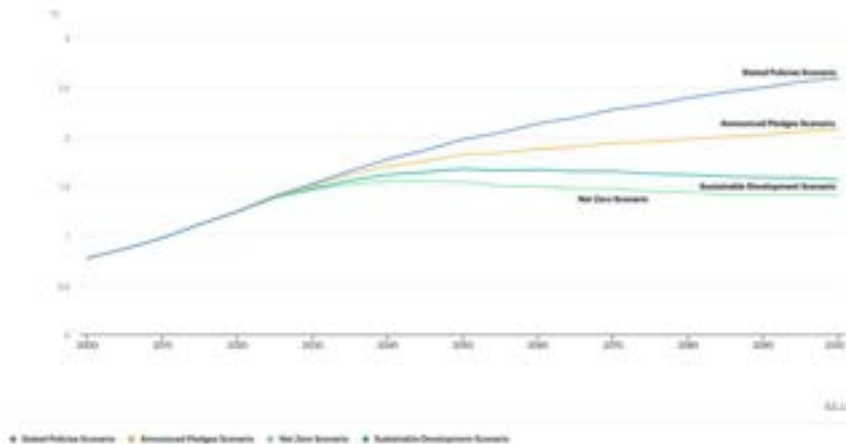
Iron and Steel
30.4%

- Blast Furnaces (~70% of emissions)
- Electric Arc furnaces

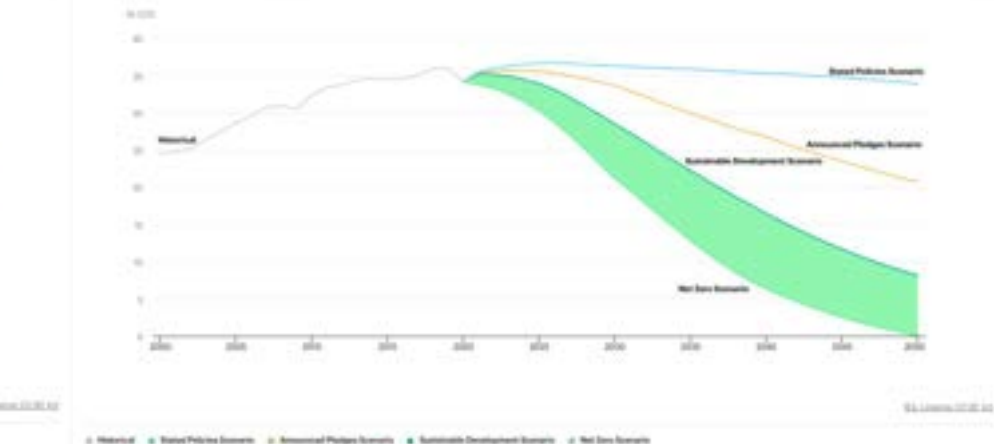


A word on Scenario

Global median surface temperature rise in the WEO 2021 scenarios, 2000-2050

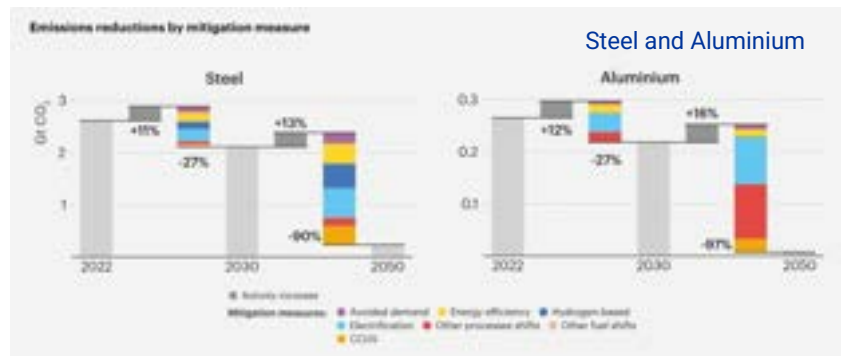
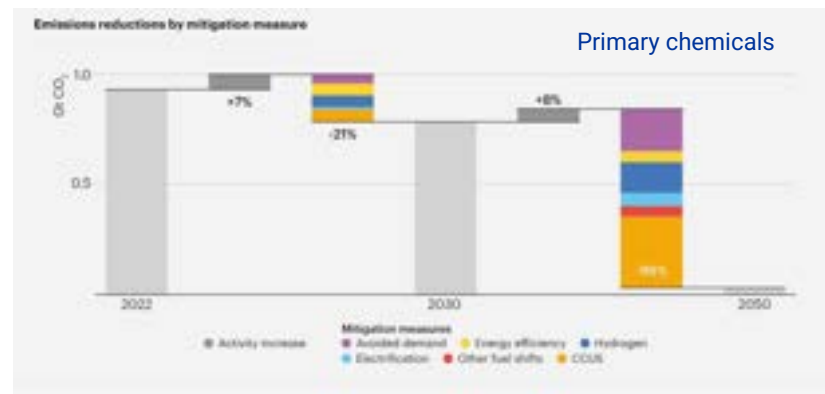
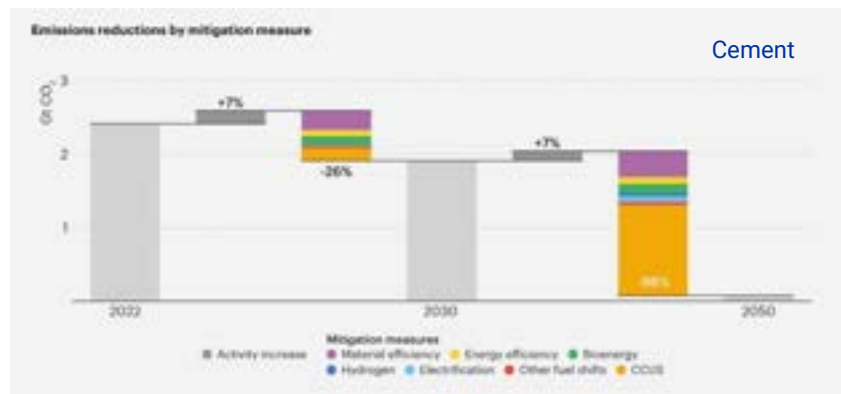


CO2 emissions in the WEO 2021 scenarios, 2000-2050



- Scenarios are not forecasts: understanding of how levers play out
- Don't confuse
 - Scenarios assessing impacts of policies and regulations on trajectory (STEPS, APS)
 - Normative trajectory defined by the landing point (SDS, NZ)

Decarbonizing industry in a Net Zero scenario: Electrification + clean electricity, CCUS and hydrogen needed



Electrification + Clean electricity



CO2 Capture & Usage/Storage

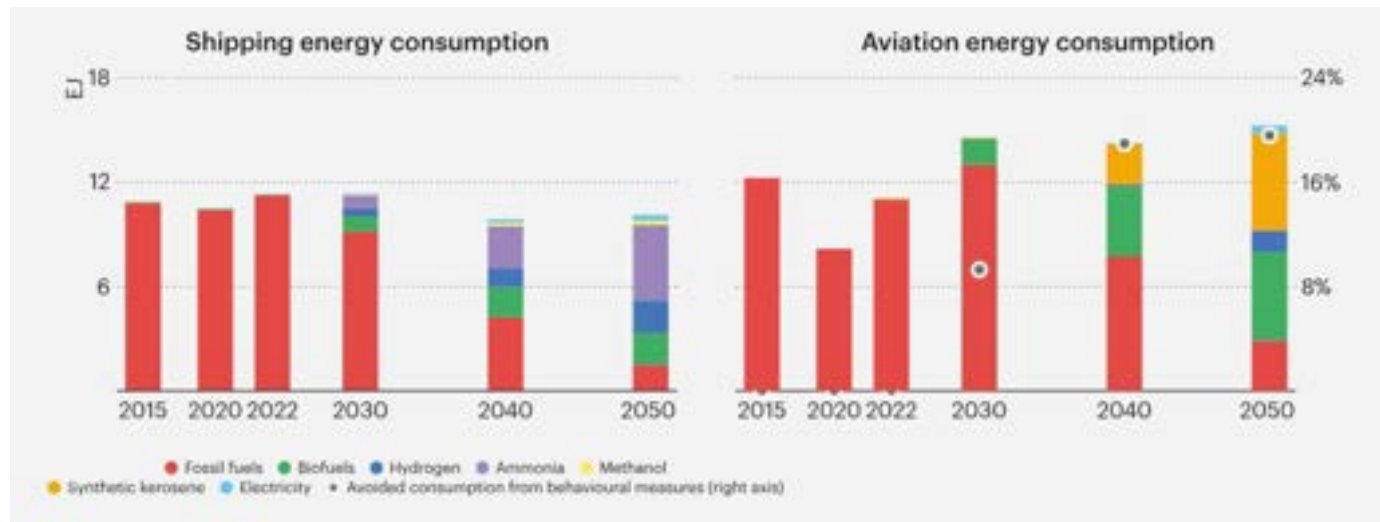


Hydrogen & related-fuels



Source: IEA Net Zero scenario

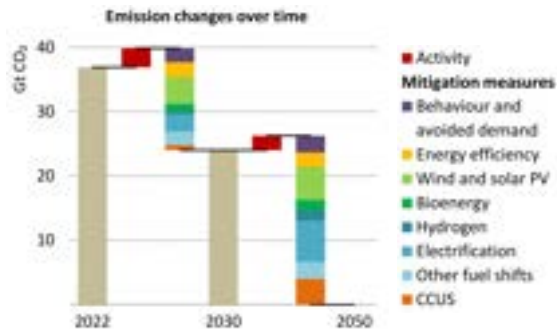
In addition to industry, transport sector will require hydrogen-derived fuel, including some CCUS routes



Making the Net Zero scenario happen: Key Prerequisites of a 1.5 °C world that industrial Transition Plans rely upon

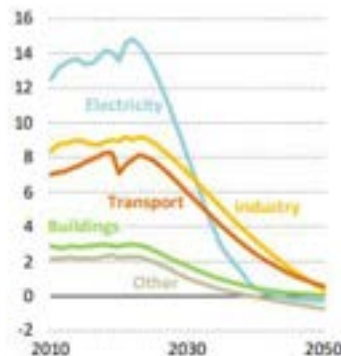
For the world to succeed on a 1.5 °C pathway.....

1 Renewables, CCS, Hydrogen.. will need to accelerate and will be critical



Source: International Energy Agency, Net Zero Roadmap, 2023 Update

2 Pace of decarbonization will vary across industries and geographies



Source: International Energy Agency, Net Zero Roadmap, 2023 Update

3 The implicit price of CO₂ will need to evolve to drive decarbonization



Source: IPCC SR-15, Chapter 2

→ Therefore, a 1.5 °C aligned Climate Transition Plan is contingent upon these prerequisites to evolve at the pace shown above

03

Air Liquide's Solutions to decarbonize industry

Two major challenges: Decarbonization of hard-to-abate industries and mobility

Industry

Hydrogen to
decarbonize
processes



Our key markets

Refining

Metals

Chemicals

Mobility

Hydrogen for
sustainable
transport



Our key markets

Heavy-duty trucks

Intensive fleets

Maritime

Aviation

Our **4** pillars to
move fast



Focus on
key basins

Best-in-class
technologies

Operational
excellence

Ambitious
partnerships

Air Liquide Solutions along the Low Carbon value chain

ASSETS



1 Low Carbon Industrial Gas Supply

including decarbonized Takeovers

CUSTOMERS PROCESSES



2 Low Carbon process transformation

3 Carbon Capture as a service

LOW C PRODUCTS & FUELS



4 Mobility : H2E

5 Low carbon products & Manufacturing



Customers

Energy / Refining

Chemicals

Cement

Steel

1st mover →



Geographies

Europe

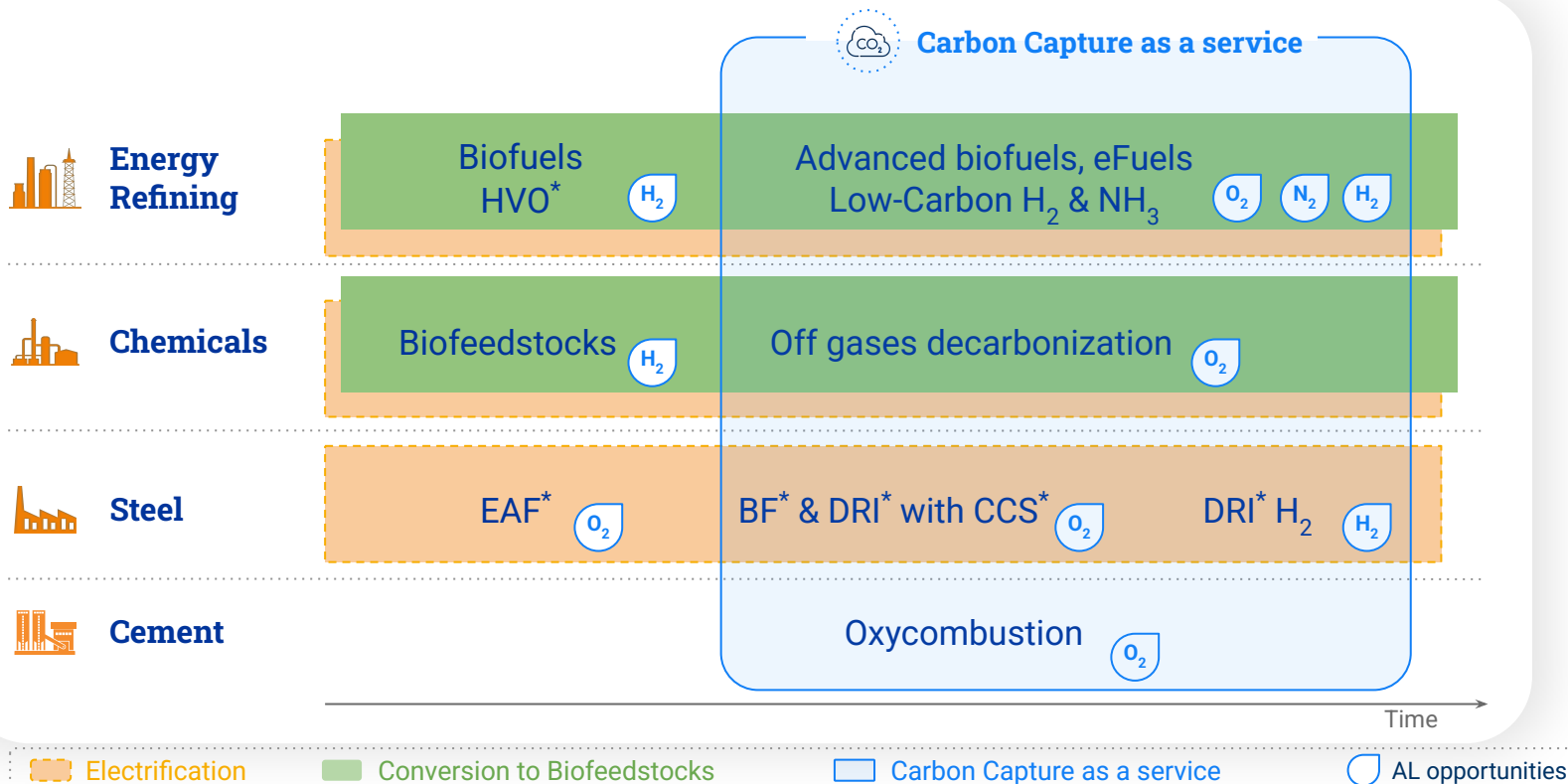
Americas

Middle East

Asia

1st mover →

A Unique Position to Decarbonize Customers' Processes...



* EAF: Electric Arc Furnace; BF: Blast Furnace; DRI: Direct Reduced Iron; CCS: Carbon Capture Sequestration; HVO: Hydrotreated Vegetable Oil

...and to Accompany Customers in New Energy Transition Markets

Example Battery manufacturing

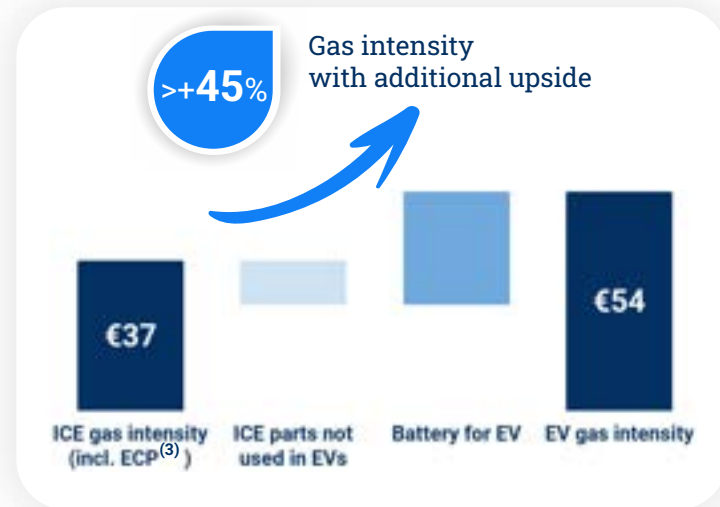
A rapidly expanding market... _____

- **+19%** CAGR 2020-30 for **battery production**
- **30** EV battery **gigafactories** planned in Europe

... with mid term gases potential _____

- **>€1bn** potential for **gases** by 2030
N₂ (inerting), O₂ (oxidation), CO₂, He
- **Advanced Materials** innovation to enhance Battery Performance

EV⁽¹⁾ vs. ICE⁽²⁾ gas intensity _____
in € of gas / car



Carbon Capture as a Service Becoming a Reality



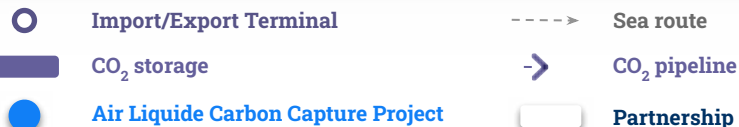
Large-scale Carbon Capture projects in Europe ———
First mover in flagship Carbon Capture projects

For Air Liquide but also **Customers' assets**

Strongly supported by **European fundings**

Similar dynamics starting in **other geographies**

- U.S.
- Middle-East
- Asia



Subject to Final Investment Decisions

Leveraging our Technologies: the Backbone of Air Liquide Solutions

Technos



Innovative Air Gases Solutions

- Renewable Electricity intermittency management - ALive™
- Ultra low energy ASU



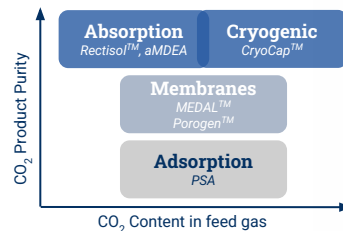
Low-carbon H₂

- ATR* / POX* with Carbon Capture for large H₂ volumes
- E&C technologies for synthesis process, such as Methanol



Carbon Capture

- The most complete Carbon Capture offer



Electrolysis

- PEM* partnership with SIEMENS ENERGY
- Active innovation in all technologies

Combined with

Digital tools

Smart Innovative Operations

Human expertise

Technical and innovation experts, skilled operational teams

* ATR: AutoThermal Reforming; POX: Partial Oxidation; PEM: Proton Exchange Membrane

Air Liquide's hydrogen track record

**60+ years
of expertise**

**€2.2 bn in
sales**

**1,000
employees**

**1.2 M tonnes
of H₂
produced p/y**

**200+ HRS
installed
worldwide**



Technology leadership

LOW-CARBON & RENEWABLE PRODUCTION



Electrolysis
PEM | ALKALINE



Other technologies
E-METHANOL



Reforming
SMR | ATR

Partial Oxidation (POX)



Carbon Capture
The most comprehensive offering



Ammonia Cracking

CONDITIONING



LIQUID HYDROGEN

Liquefaction
Scaled up capacities
& Optimized payload

GASEOUS HYDROGEN

Conditioning
High-Pressure filling centers

SUPPLY CHAIN



Liquid & gaseous storages



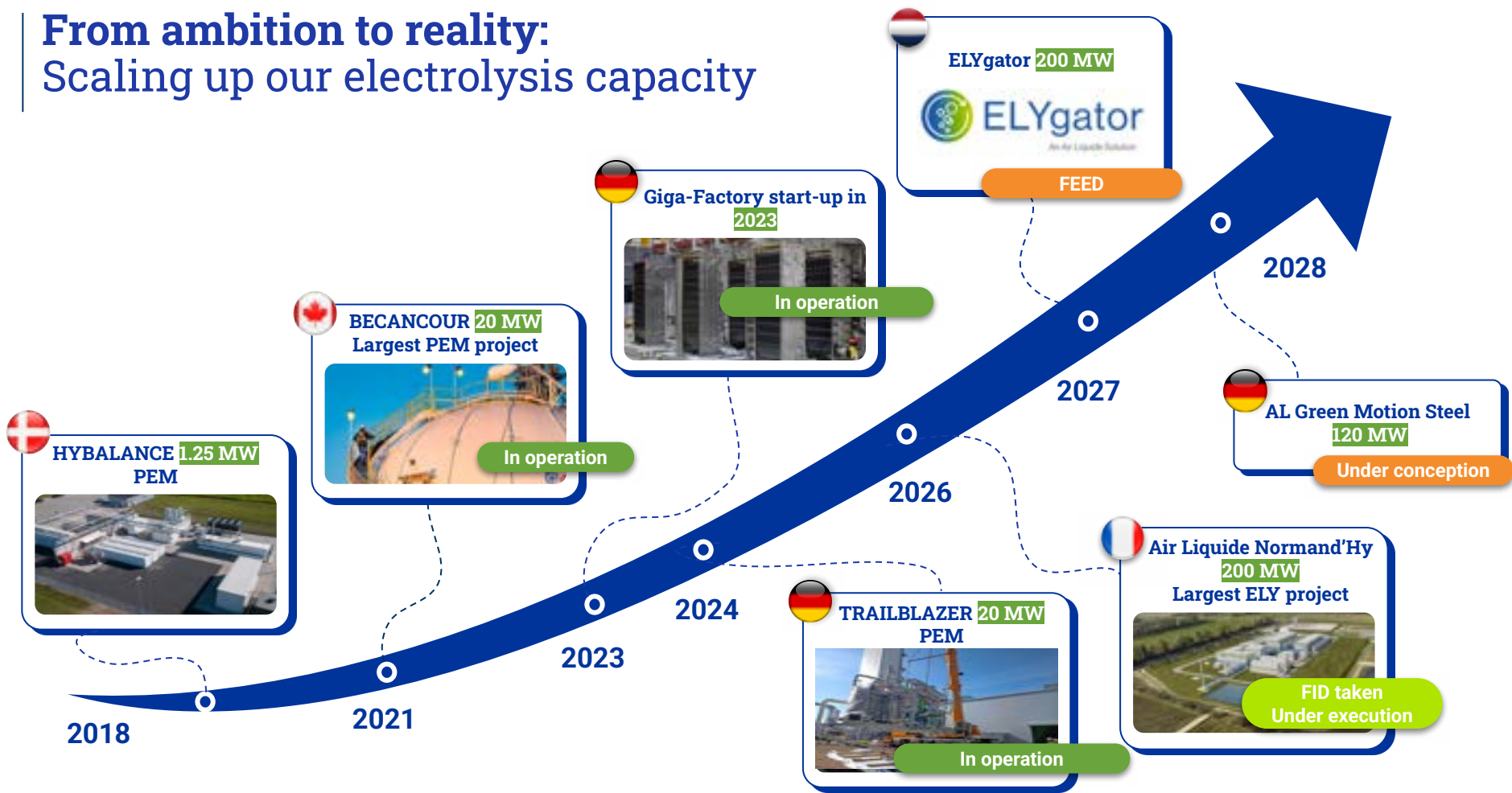
GH2 & LH2 distribution



GH2 & LH2 hydrogen stations



From ambition to reality: Scaling up our electrolysis capacity



Air Liquide Positions along the Supply Chain



CAPTURE & COMPRESSION

- Capture
- Purification
- Compression
- CO₂ storage & loading

Onshore Transport

- Transport to / within basin via pipeline (incl. compression stations), train, barges, trucks

AGGREGATION, LIQUEFACTION & STORAGE

- Basin CO₂ Aggregation
- Liquefaction
- CO₂ storage
- Multimodal transport

SHIPPING / PIPE

- Sea shipping (liquid)
- Offshore pipeline (gas)

SEQUESTRATION

- CO₂ Storage
- CO₂ Mineralization

CRYOCAP™ & Absorption
CRYOCAP™ is operating in Port Jerome (FR)



CRYOCAP™ XLL

OCEOS *

Multiple Service Partners

Air Liquide value proposal on CO2 Management as a Service

*) OCEOS is a JV between AL and Sogestran

Walking the talk

Air Liquide and Sasol sign first long-term contract for the supply of renewable energy to the Secunda site

Air Liquide and Sasol sign long-term contracts to supply an additional 110 MW of renewable energy to the Secunda site

Air Liquide to reach 70% renewable-energy sourcing in Benelux with new large PPA

Air Liquide signs a long-term power purchase agreement for renewable electricity in Spain

Air Liquide signs long-term supply agreement with GCGV and will build new Air Separation Unit in Texas

Air Liquide signed record volumes of PPAs in 2024, securing over 2,500 GWh of low-carbon electricity and reducing CO2 emissions by over 1.2 Mt per year

Air Liquide to modernize and lower the carbon footprint of two oxygen production units in Tainan, China

Air Liquide invests to increase efficiency and reduce CO2 emissions of its industrial site in Stade, Germany

Air Liquide transforms its network in Germany by connecting a large electrolyzer producing renewable hydrogen

The inauguration of Air Liquide and Siemens Energy Gigawatt electrolyzer factory paves the way to renewable hydrogen development at scale

Air Liquide and Lhoist join forces to launch a first-of-its-kind decarbonization project of lime production in France

Air Liquide to build a world-scale CO2 capture unit to contribute to Rotterdam's industrial basin decarbonization

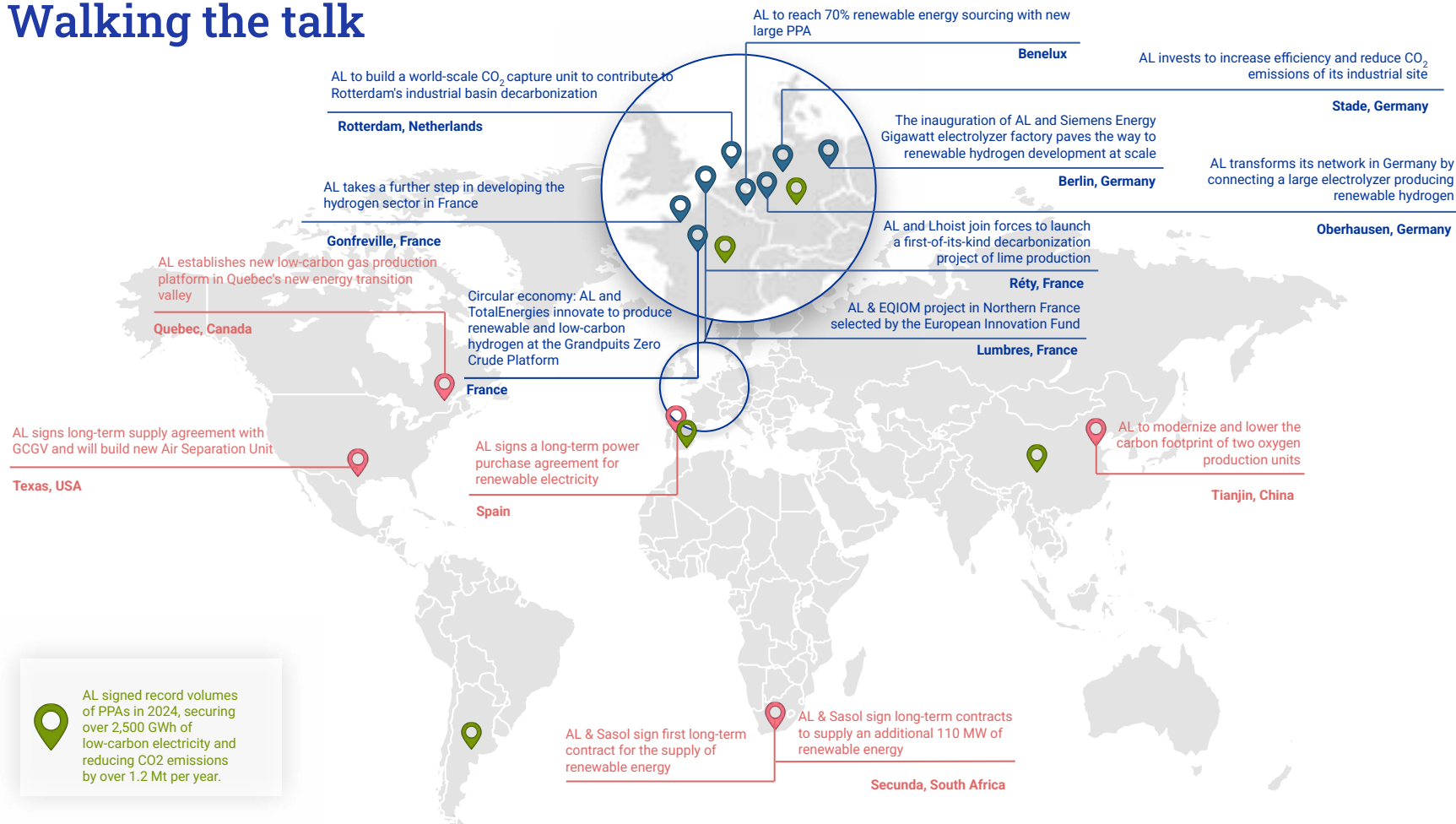
Air Liquide and ECIOM project in Northern France selected by the European Innovation Fund

Air Liquide takes a further step in developing the hydrogen sector in France

Circular economy : Air Liquide and TotalEnergies innovate to produce renewable and low-carbon hydrogen at the Grandpuits Zero Crude Platform

Air Liquide establishes new low-carbon gas production platform in Québec's new energy transition valley

Walking the talk



Decarbonizing industry

Between a rock and a hard place

Regulators

Investors

General
Public

NGOs

Talents

Customer
willingness
to pay
Low ROI

Lack of ambition
of climate policies:
Less expensive to emit than
decarbonize
& geographical gaps

Lack of competitive access
to Renewables

Access to subsidies

Missing CO₂
infrastructure,
CO₂ sinks

CHALLENGES

PRESSURES

**Thank you for your
attention**

Q&A