



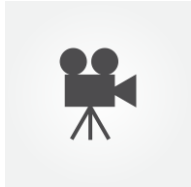
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# ACER Webinar on a consultancy study on hydrogen networks

Webinar

13 April 2023, 10.00 – 11.30 CET

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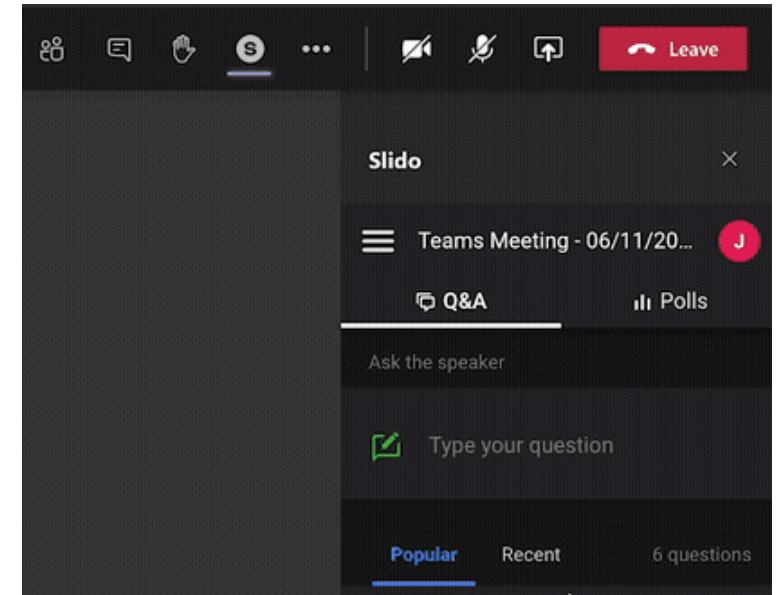
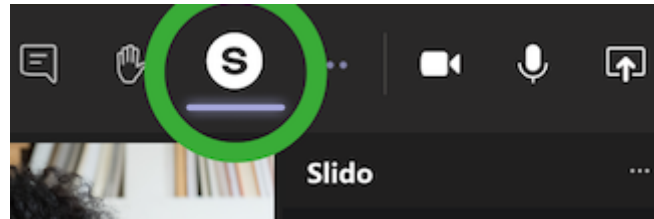
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| AGENDA        |  |                          |
|---------------|--|--------------------------|
| 09.55 - 10:00 | <b>Webinar open for log-in</b>   | Starts promptly at 10.00 |
| 10.00 - 10.10 | <b>Introductory Remarks</b><br>Juan LOPEZ VAQUERO, ACER  |                          |
| 10.10 - 10.20 | <b>Preliminary draft cost-benefit analysis methodology - process and timeline</b><br>Maria CASTRO, ENTSOG                    |                          |
| 10.20 - 10.30 | <b>Hydrogen transportation plans and supply/demand targets in selected EU Member States</b><br>George SEFERIADIS, VIS        |                          |
| 10.30 - 10.40 | <b>Market and network conditions justifying building hydrogen infrastructure</b><br>George SEFERIADIS, VIS                   |                          |
| 10.40 - 11.05 | <b>Recommendations to ENTSOG for a cost-benefit analysis methodology for hydrogen infrastructure</b><br>Fotis THOMAIDIS, VIS |                          |
| 11.05 - 11.25 | <b>Q&amp;A</b> (Slido, MS Teams)   |                          |
| 11.25 - 11.30 | <b>Closing Remarks</b><br>Stefano ASTORRI, ACER  |                          |

**Webinar Objective:** ACER has contracted VIS Economic & Energy Consultants to conduct a study to identify recommendations for a cost-benefit analysis (CBA) methodology for hydrogen infrastructure that the European Network of Transmission System Operators for Gas' (ENTSOG's) is developing.



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# CBA Methodology context and timeline

ENTSOG

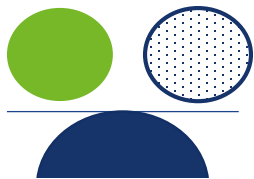
Maria Castro, Investment Subject Manager

# Context: revised TEN-E Regulation



Revised TEN-E Regulation (Art. 11) obliges ENTSG and ENTSO-E to:

- ✓ **2023:** Develop consistent **single sector draft methodologies** for a harmonized energy system-wide cost-benefit analysis at Union level for hydrogen (ENTSG) and electricity (ENTSO-E) infrastructure
- ✓ **2025:** Jointly submit to EC and ACER **progressively integrated model** including electricity, gas and hydrogen transmission




Consistent and uniform CBA methodologies across different energy infrastructure categories


Should be based on common assumptions and should consider sectorial specificities




Consistent with EU's 2030 targets for energy and climate and 2050 climate neutrality objective

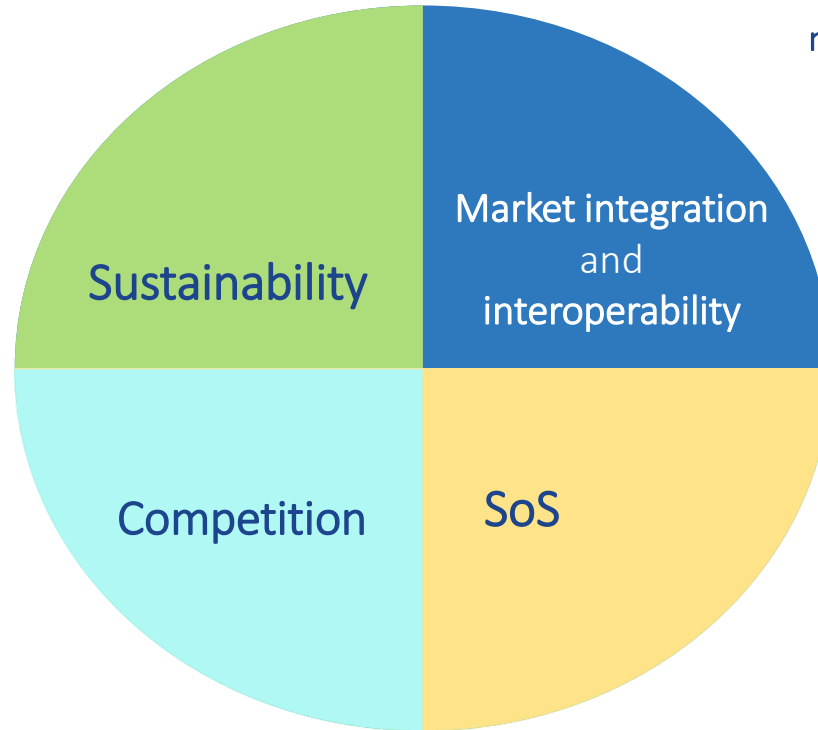
# Context: TEN-E criteria for Hydrogen infrastructure

 Measure as **contribution GHG emissions reductions** in various end-use applications like industry and transport

 Flexibility and seasonal storage options for RES energy generation

 Integration of renewable and low-carbon hydrogen

Contribution to supply diversification

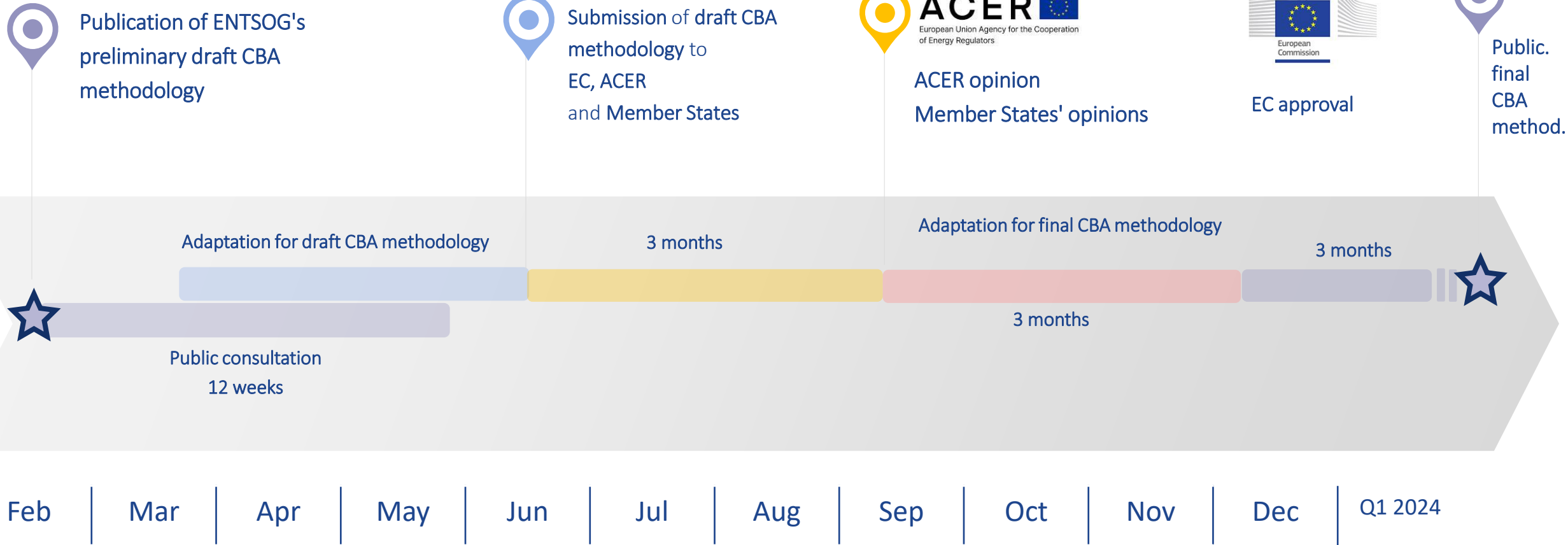


Additional value of the project to the **integration** of market areas and **price convergence**



Additional value of the project to the **resilience, diversity and flexibility** of hydrogen supply

# Timeline of CBA Methodology process



Following the public consultation and ACER/MS opinions, ENTSOG will adapt the CBA methodology





Thank you for your attention

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# **Study on requirements and implementation of ENTSOG'S Cost Benefit Analysis for hydrogen infrastructure for ACER**

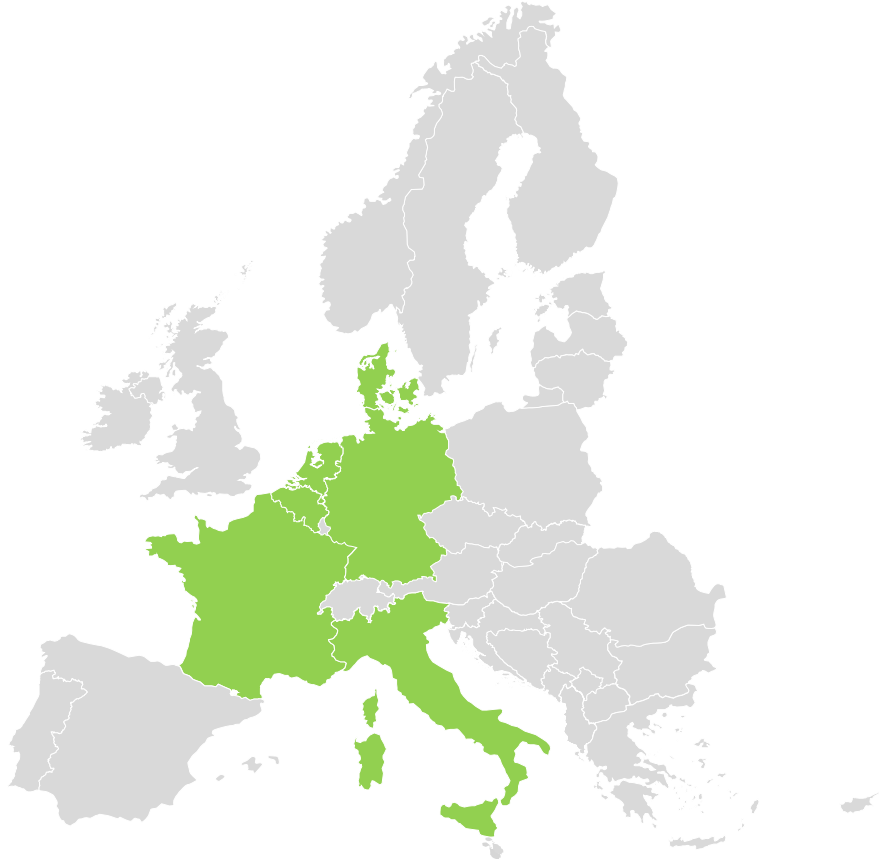
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# **Hydrogen transportation plans and supply/demand targets in selected EU Member States**

George SEFERIADIS

# Hydrogen sector development via national planning





- Part of the Study was to assess the market and network conditions which can justify building hydrogen infrastructure. As the basis of this assessment, the Study analyzes the **plans of selected Member States (MSs)** to establish hydrogen markets and develop the required infrastructure
- The assessment of market and infrastructure conditions focuses on the main elements that impact the **main blocks of the hydrogen supply chain** (supply, demand and transportation)



# Hydrogen demand per end-use sector

|   | Germany | France | Netherlands | Denmark | Italy | Belgium | U.S. |
|---|---------|--------|-------------|---------|-------|---------|------|
| <b>Industry*</b>  |         |        |             |         |       |         |      |
| <i>feedstock</i>  | ✓       | ✓      | ✓           | ✓       | ✓     | ✓       | ✓    |
| <i>heat processes</i>   | ⚡       | -      | ✓           | ✓       | ⚡     | ✓       | ⚡    |
| <b>Refining</b>   | ✓       | ✓      | ✓           | ✓       | ✓     | -       | ✓    |
| <b>Transportation</b>   |         |        |             |         |       |         |      |
| <i>heavy duty</i>   | ✓       | ✓      | ✓           | ✓       | ✓     | ✓       | ✓    |
| <i>public passenger transport<br/>(buses, trains, ferries)</i>  | ✓       | ✓      | ✓           | -       | ✓     | -       | ✓    |
| <i>commercial vehicles</i>                                      | ✓       | -      | ✓           | -       | -     | -       | -    |
| <i>civil vehicles</i>   | -       | -      | ✓           | -       | ⚡     | -       | -    |
| <i>maritime transportation,<br/>including inland navigation</i> | ⚡       | -      | ✓           | ⚡       | ⚡     | ⚡       | ⚡    |
| <i>air transportation</i>                                       | ⚡       | -      | ⚡           | ⚡       | ⚡     | ⚡       | -    |
| <b>Power sector</b>   | -       | ⚡      | ⚡           | -       | ⚡     | ⚡       | ⚡    |
| <b>Heating sector</b>   | ⚡       | -      | ⚡           | ⚡       | ⚡     |         | ⚡    |

 : Short-term demand  
 : Long-term demand

\*Chemicals industry, steel, cement, aluminium, ceramics and glass

# Hydrogen transportation plans in selected EU MSs



- 2026: 100 – 160 km of additional H2 pipelines (new and/or repurposed), taking maximum advantage of existing pipelines
- 2028: Interconnections with at least Germany, France and the Netherlands
- 2030: An open access H2 backbone will be established connecting the ports to the industrial zones and with neighboring countries



- Most of the gas grid will be reserved for transporting and storing biogas and commitments in the NG Baltic Pipe already reserve capacity at least up to 2038
- Energinet and Gasunie are exploring the establishment of a pure H2 cross-border interconnection. Energinet is also investigating the possible routing of the Danish H2 backbone



Progressive build-up: initially within local ecosystems (production close to consumption), then H2 valleys (interlinking local ecosystems via a regional grid), integrating H2 storage infrastructures, and interconnecting ultimately the French network with neighboring EU MSs



- 2027: Subnetworks will be in place to serve local demand
- 2032: The H2 network will consist of approx. 67% repurposed pipelines



2032: Development of H2 network (70% repurposed) to transport production from north Africa and Southern Italy domestically and to neighbors. The first tranche of the Italian H2 backbone will connect Italy to countries with higher demand (Germany)



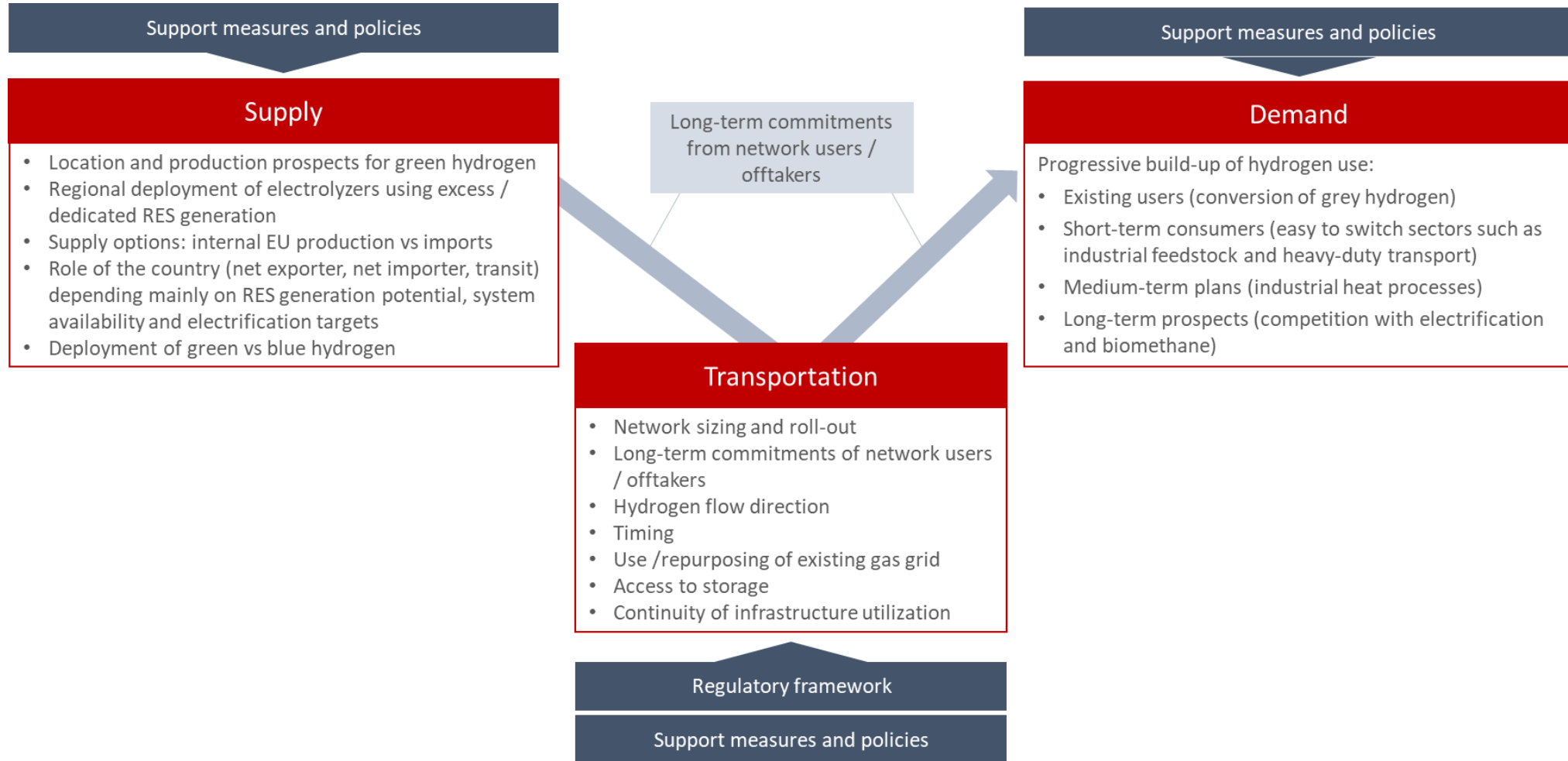
Progressively, industrial clusters will be connected via pipelines to each other, to other countries and to H2 storage and import locations. 85% of the infrastructure will be developed by repurposing existing natural gas pipelines. The whole network will be in place by 2030

# **Market and network conditions justifying building hydrogen infrastructure**

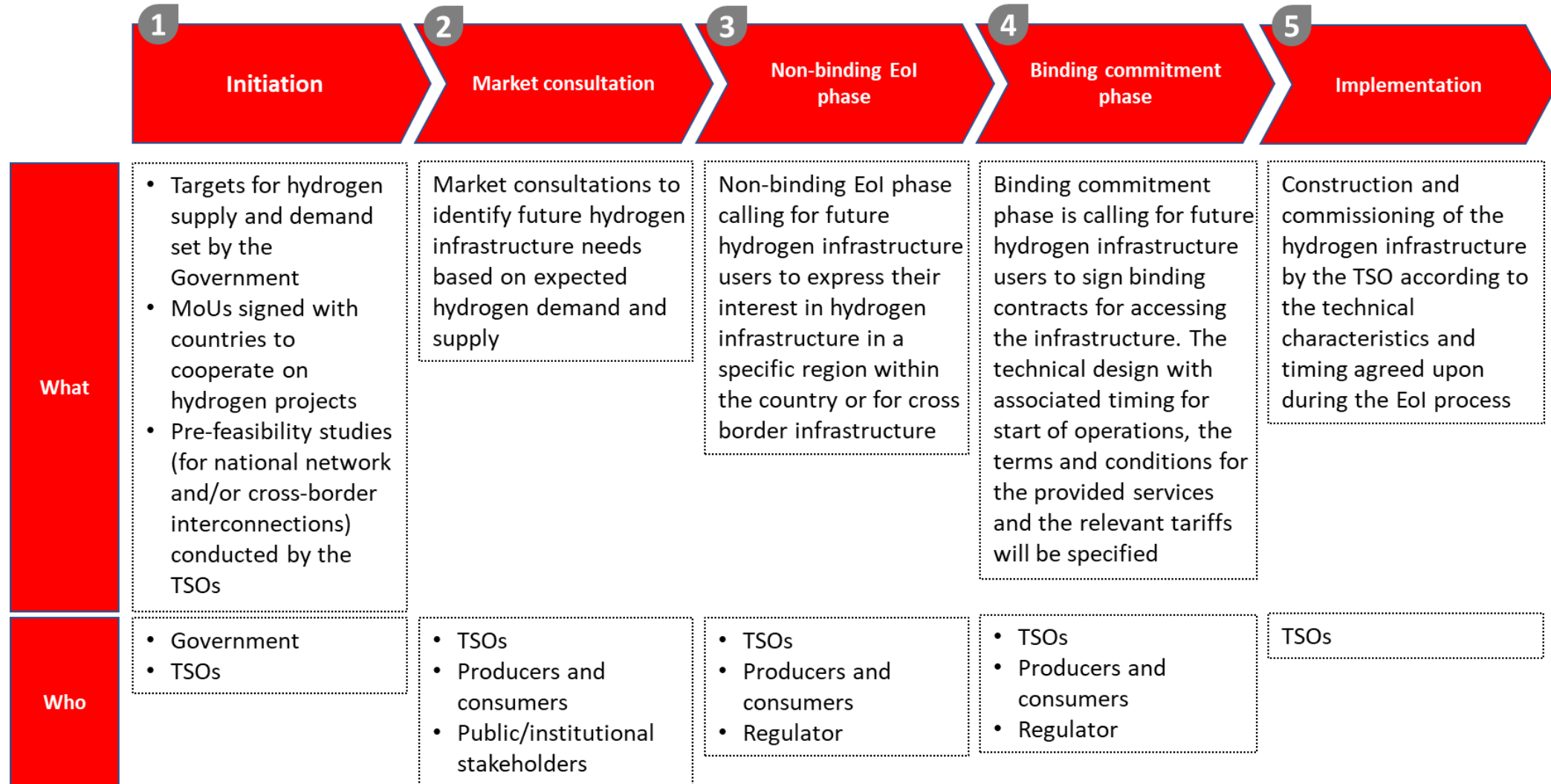
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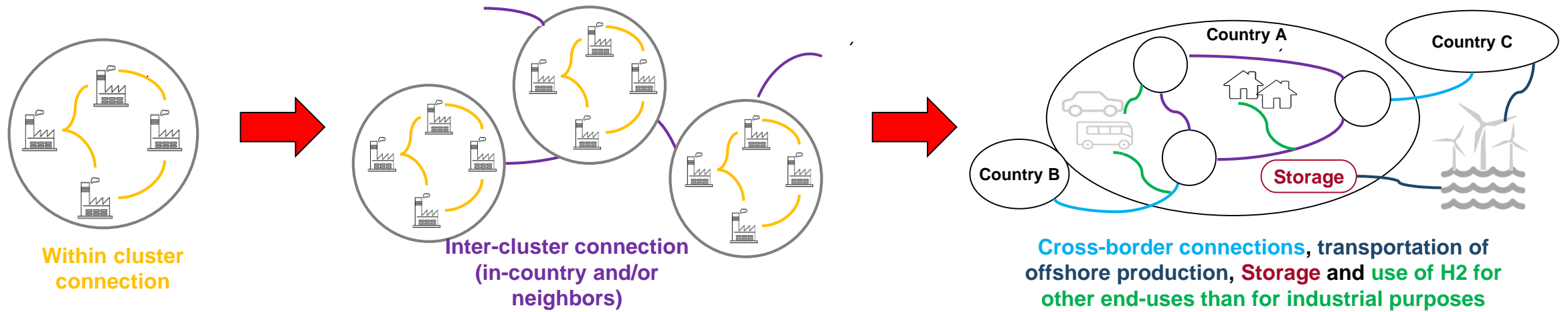
# Conditions for hydrogen market - infrastructure development



# Matching market needs with infrastructure development



# Gradual build-out of hydrogen infrastructure



## Planned evolution of the Dutch hydrogen grid\*



# **Recommendations to ENTSOG for a cost-benefit analysis methodology for hydrogen infrastructure**

Fotis THOMAIDIS

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# Formulation of recommendations

- Recommendations were developed following review of ENTSOG’s “Preliminary Draft Single-Sector Cost-Benefit Analysis (CBA) Methodology” of 28th February 2023 (the CBA methodology)
- Elements taken into consideration:
  - Compliance with **recast TEN-E Regulation**
  - **Consistency** of the methodological approach, with the ENTSO-E CBA Guidelines
  - Sufficient coverage of hydrogen infrastructure **key costs and benefits**
  - Relevance to the **gradual evolution** of the European hydrogen market and infrastructure
  - Treatment of **uncertainties** related to the hydrogen supply chain
  - **Clarity and transparency** in the application of the methodology and interpretation of its outputs

# Overview of recommendations

## I. CBAM approach consistent with ENTSO-E

I.1 Application of common key CBA elements

I.2 Application of common rules for clustering

I.3 Consistency of interlinked assessment

I.4 Consistency in the CBA methodologies' documents

## III. Baseline and assumptions of the analysis

III.1 Reference grid in line with development of hydrogen infrastructure

III.2 Sensitivity analysis on uncertainty parameters

III.3 Validation of project commissioning

III.4 Setting of commissioning year in clusters

III.5 Use of long-term shipper commitments in modelling

## II. Assessment of costs & benefits

II.1 Inclusion of all costs associated with hydrogen infrastructure development

II.2 Assessment of benefits in line with the hydrogen sector development

II.3 Avoidance of correlation between indicators

## IV. Clarity of implementation and results

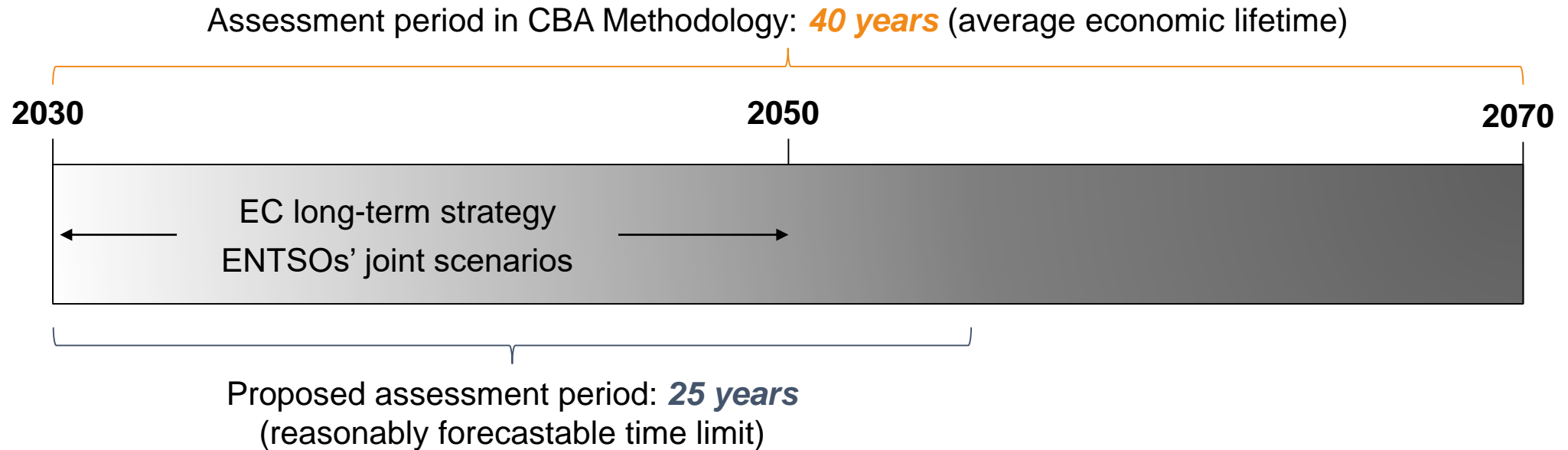
IV.1 Clarity on the application of the methodology

IV.2 Application span of the CBA methodology

IV.3 Transparency of project information and analysis assumptions

IV.4 Transparency of the model features

# Use of assessment period reducing uncertainty

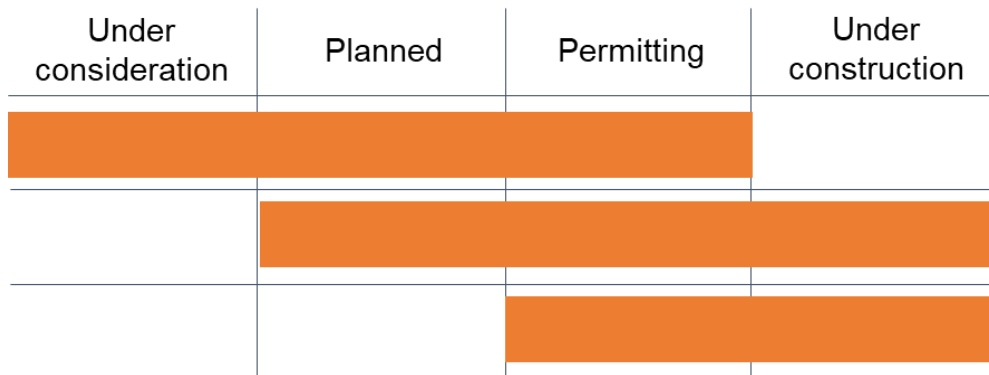


- The assessment period may **differ** from the economic lifetime of a project (practice in electricity and gas assessment)
- Its length must be based on a timeframe where uncertainty is **reasonably acceptable**
- Covering a 40-year assessment period would require scenario building **up to 2070** increasing uncertainty

# Consistent clustering of projects

## Clustering rules in CBA Methodology

Grouping of projects with commissioning up to **10 years apart**

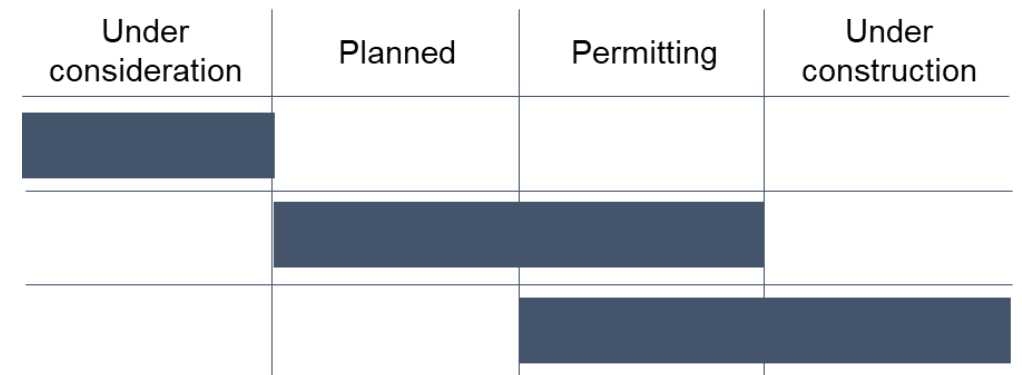


Starting from the next (2024) TYNDP

Starting after the next TYNDP (2026)

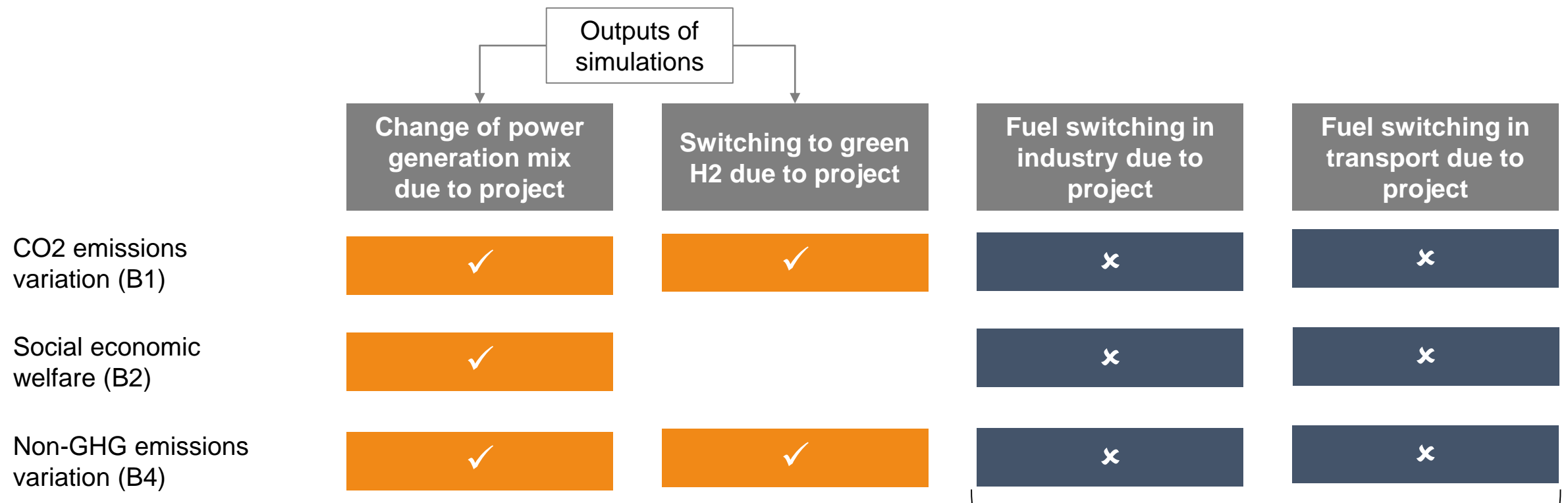
## Proposed changes in clustering rules

Grouping of projects with commissioning up to **5 years apart**





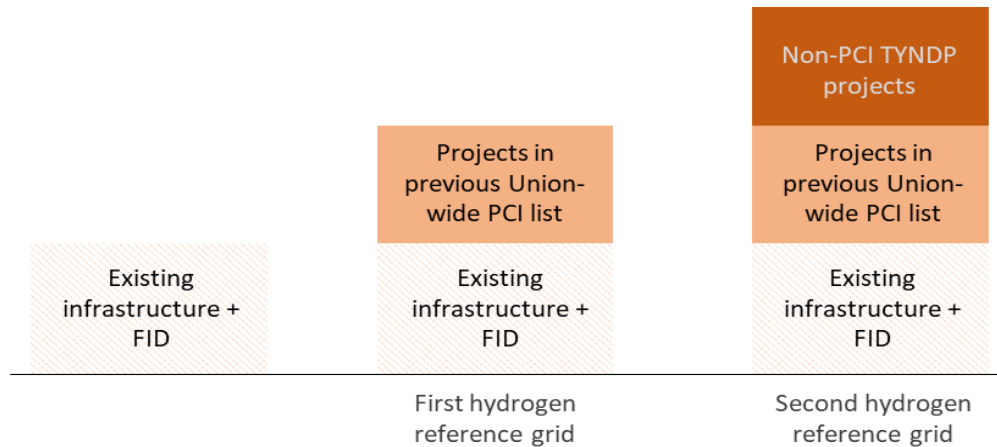
# Monetization of impact on hard-to-abate sectors



- Proposed monetization within the indicators
- Update of the model or use simulation outputs for secondary analysis
- If it is not possible to revise any of the indicators in the current CBA Methodology, the limitations of existing indicators should be clarified

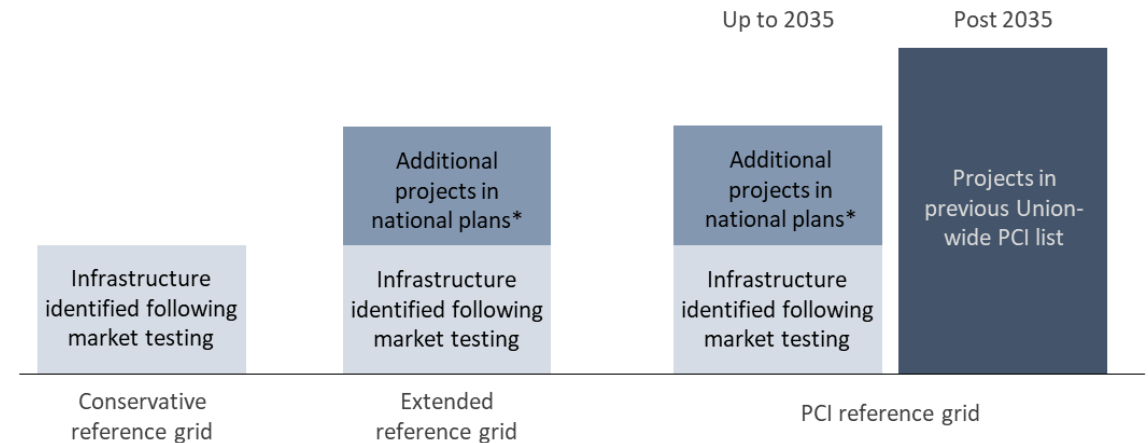
# Modelling of hydrogen networks' gradual development

## Reference grid in CBA Methodology



Reference grid not taking into consideration the gradual development of hydrogen networks, starting from point-to-point

## Proposed changes in reference grid



\* Excluding projects in concept stage

- Reference grid **balancing conservative and optimistic view** of hydrogen network development
- Increase of the **hydrogen model granularity** to represent hydrogen clusters instead of countries

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# Other proposed changes in the CBA Methodology

- Coordination with ENTSO-E to use a **common social discount rate**
- **Consistent interlinked assessment** of hydrogen – electricity – gas infrastructure
- Definition of **cost items for repurposing** natural gas infrastructure
- **Security of supply** indicator assessing projects' impact **on hydrogen cluster** and not country-wide level
- Inclusion of indicator assessing **impact on market integration**
- Sensitivity analysis only on **selected parameters** which reflect uncertainty
- **Clarity** on the calculation of benefits' indicators

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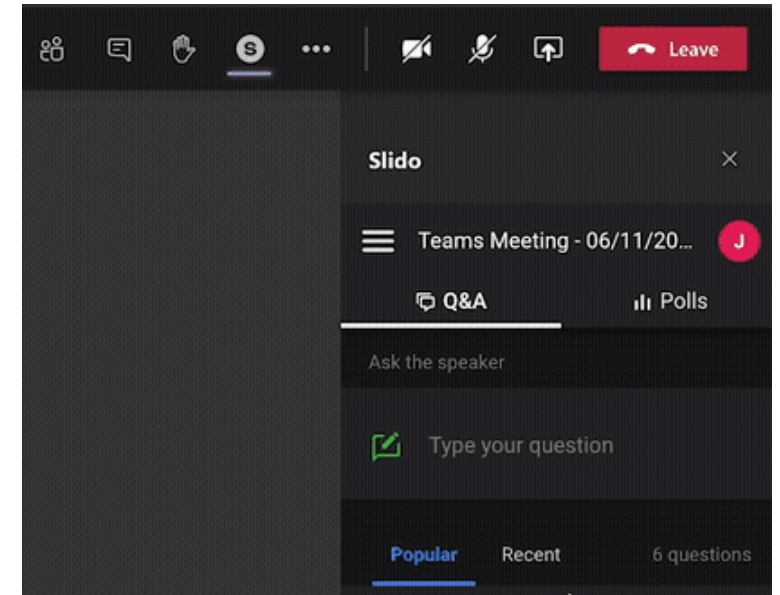
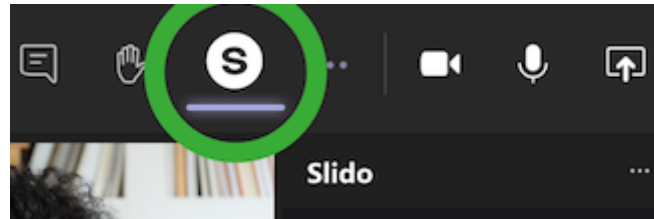
# Polls and Q&A

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# Closing Remarks

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# Thank you!

# Any questions?



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