



Global Hydrogen Review 2025

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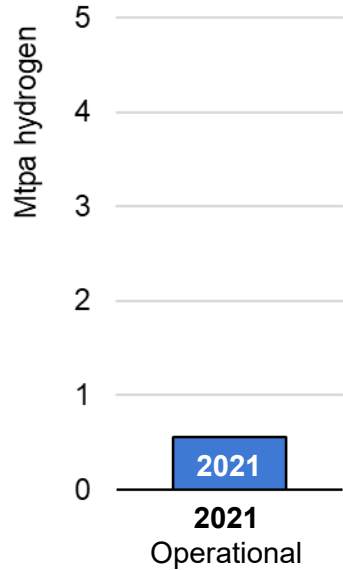
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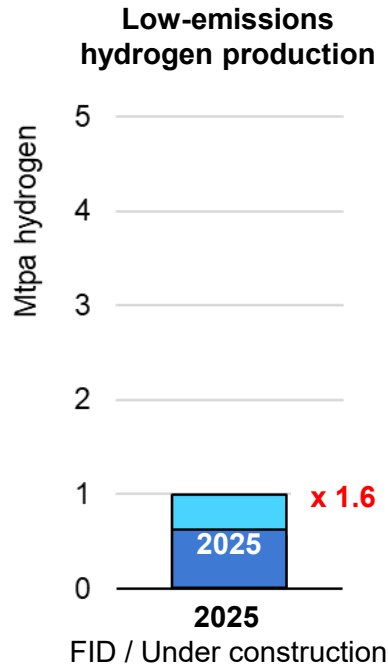
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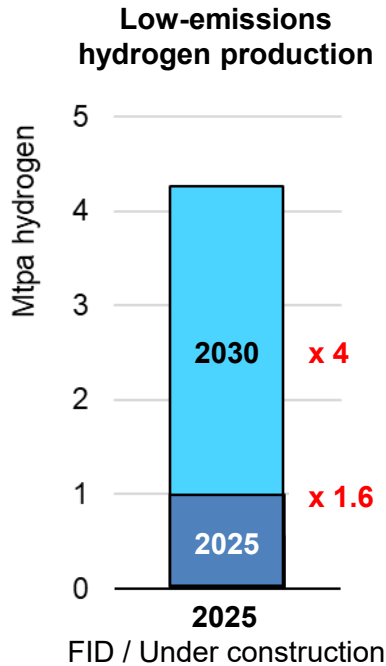
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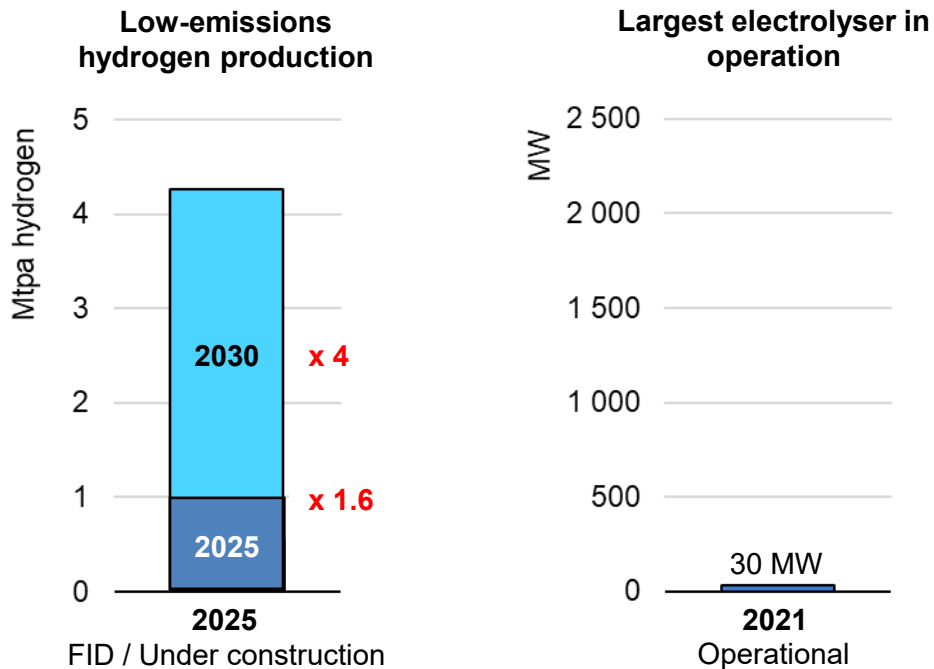


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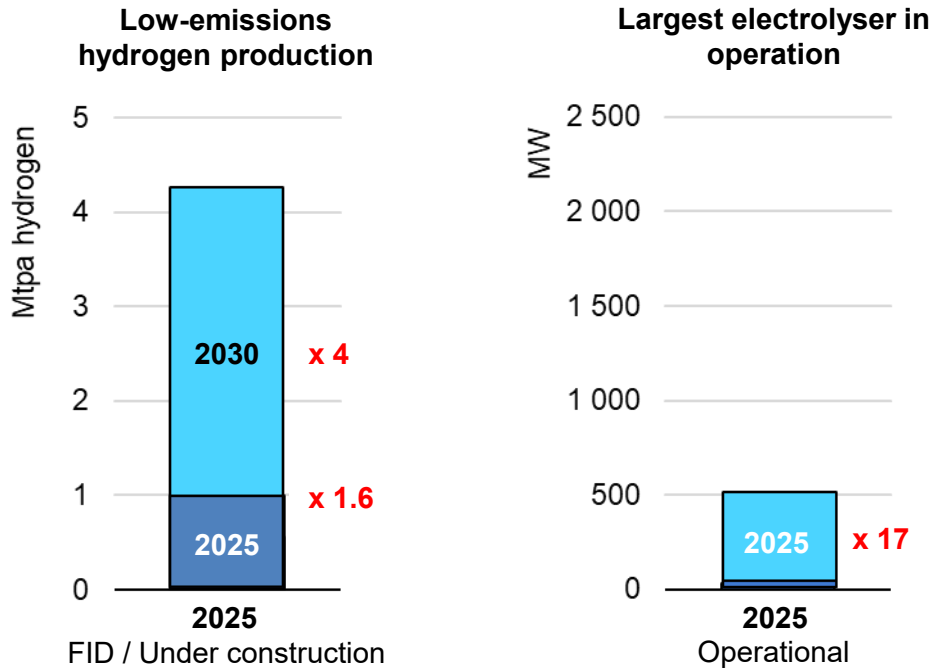
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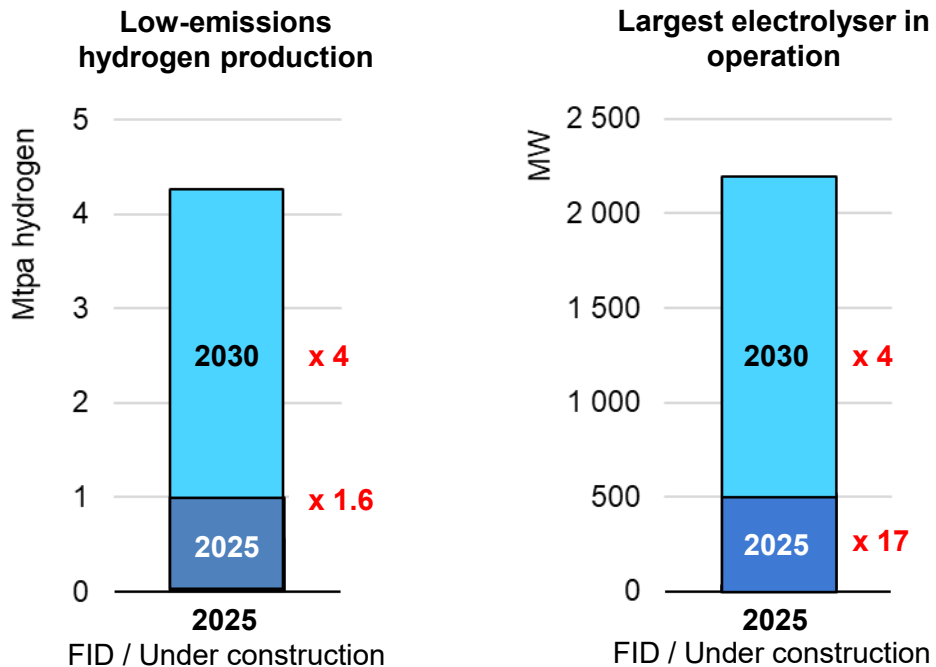
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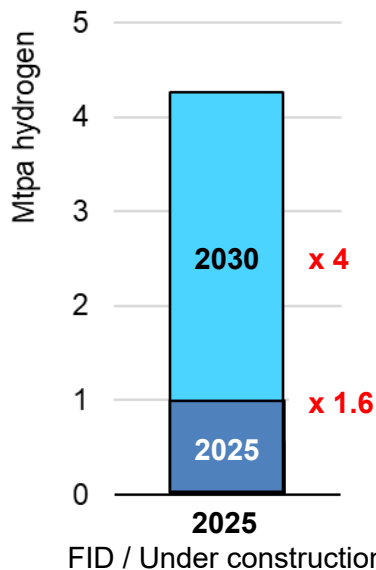
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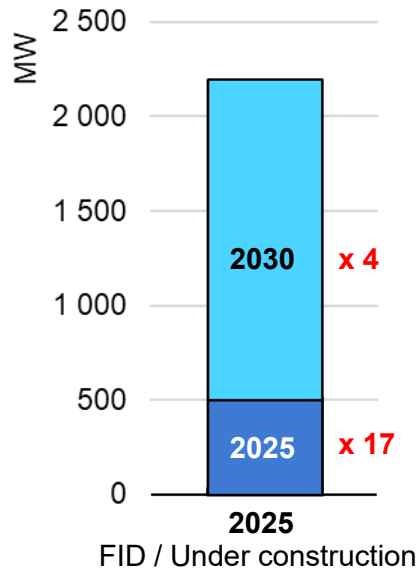
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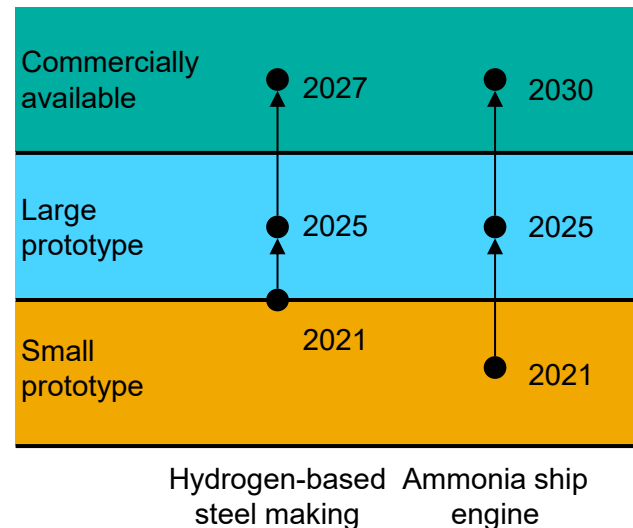
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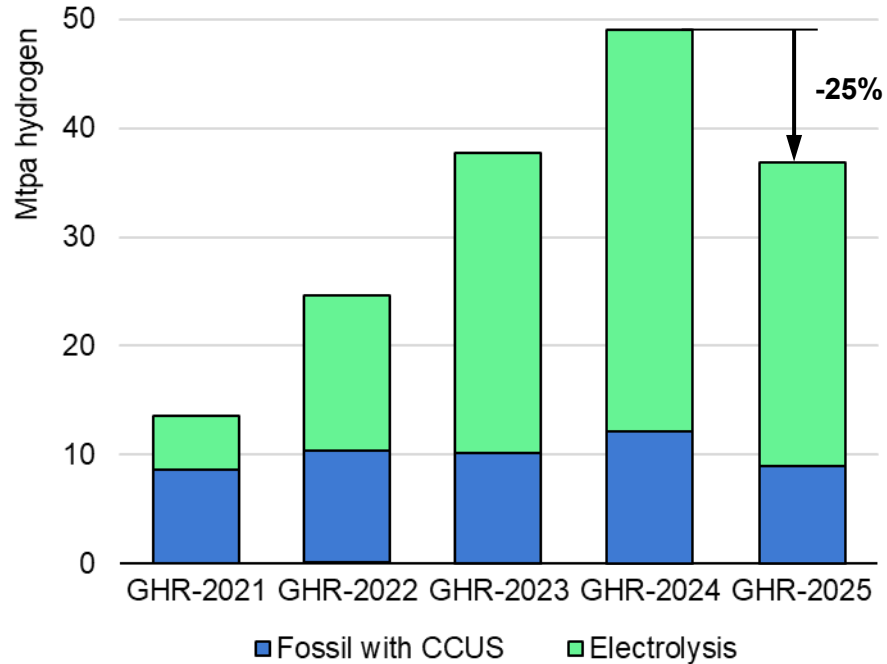
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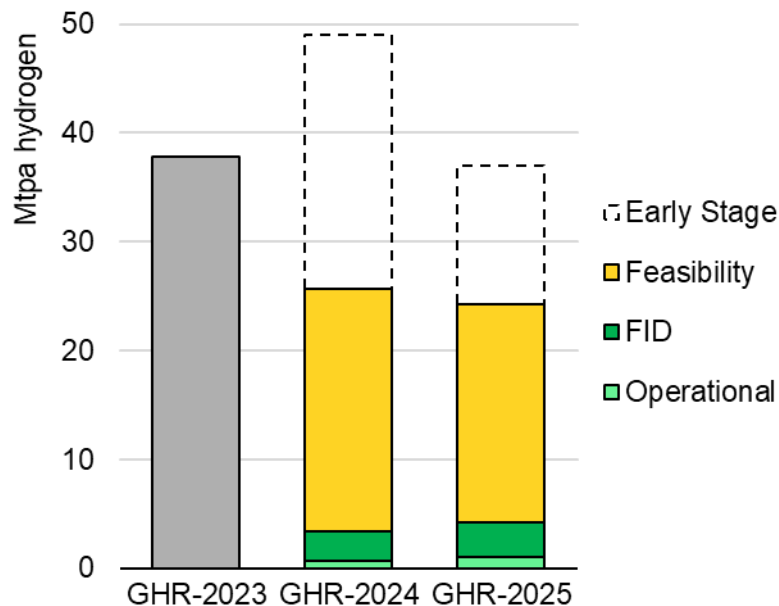
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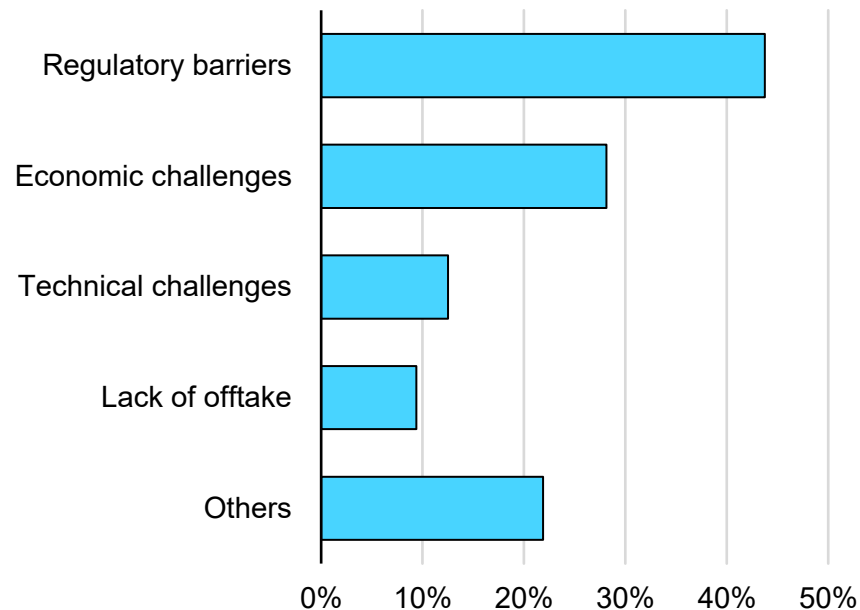


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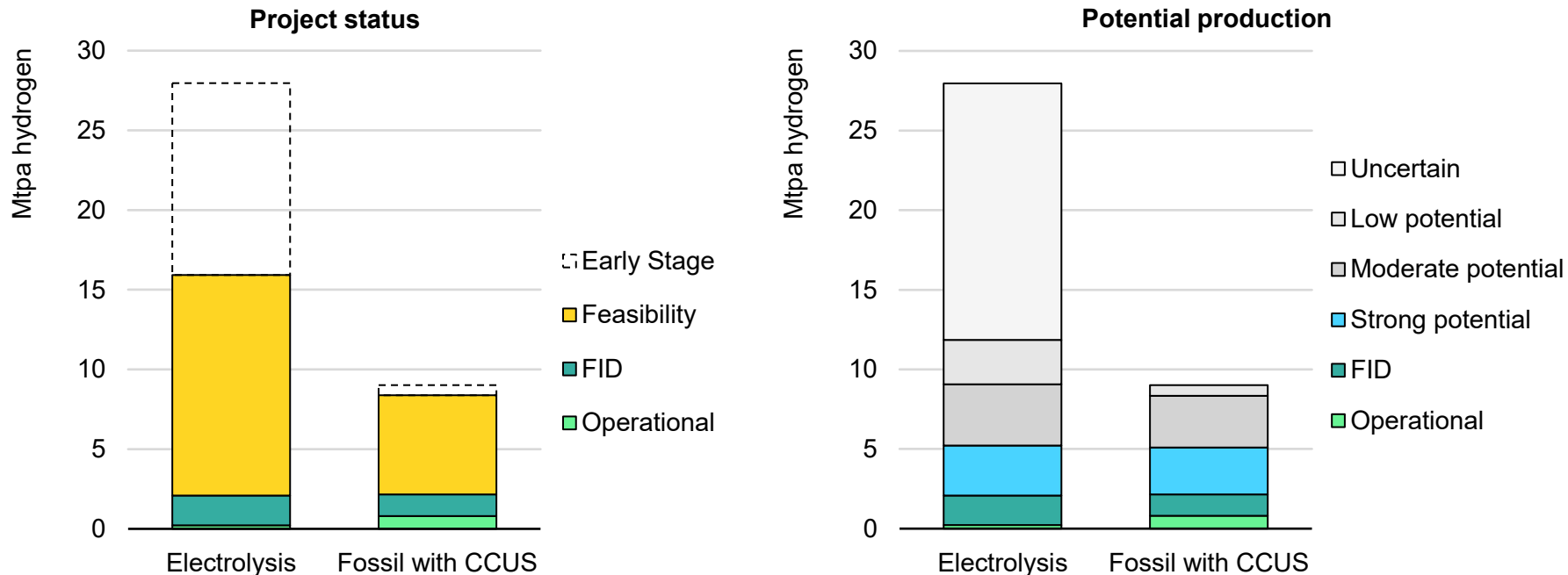
Share of cancelled projects by reported reasons



**Delays and cancellations mainly affected early-stage projects.
Regulatory barriers, economic and technical challenges and lack of offtake were key reasons.**

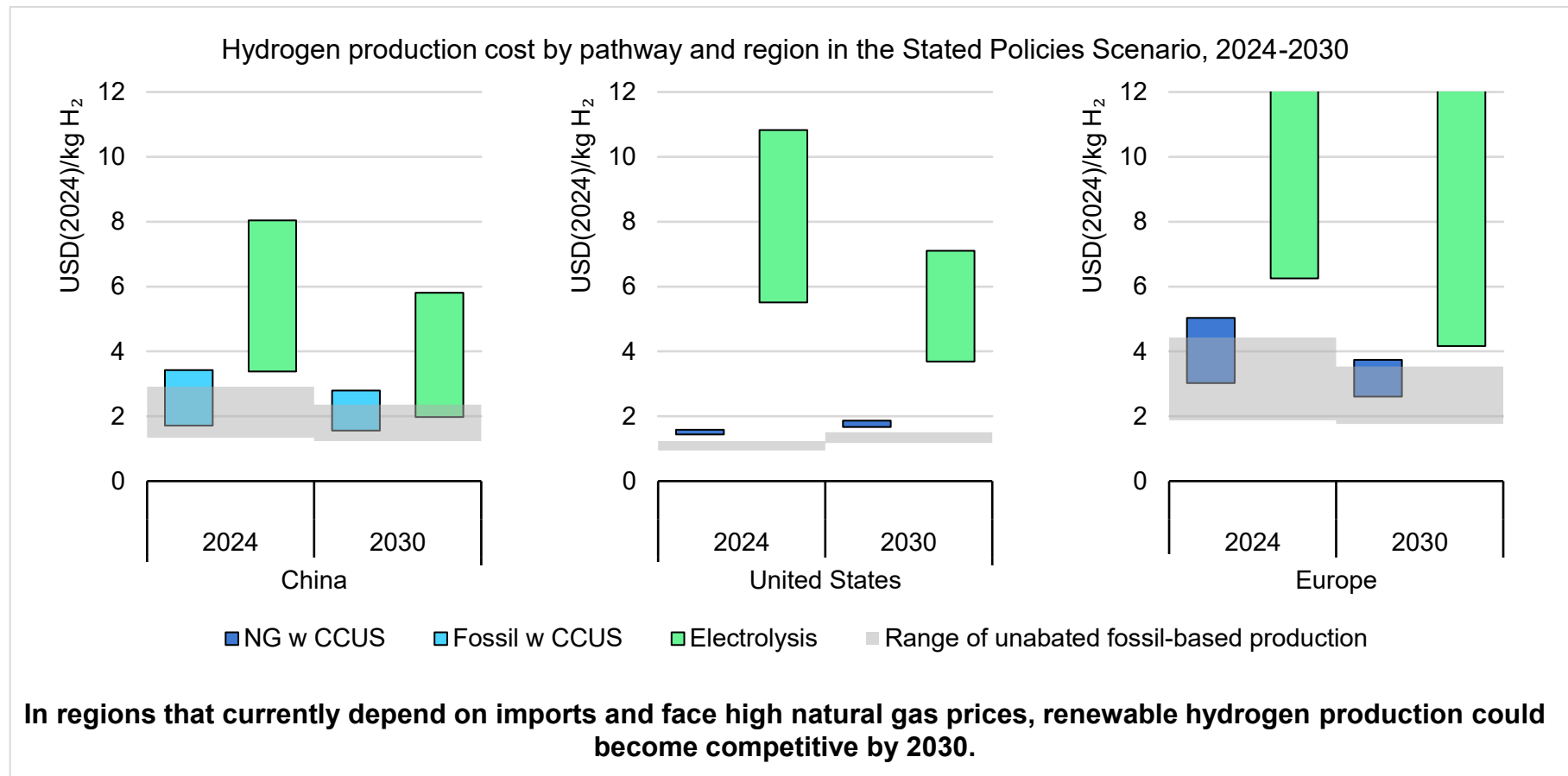
The time to complete projects by 2030 is shrinking

Low-emissions hydrogen production from announced projects, 2030



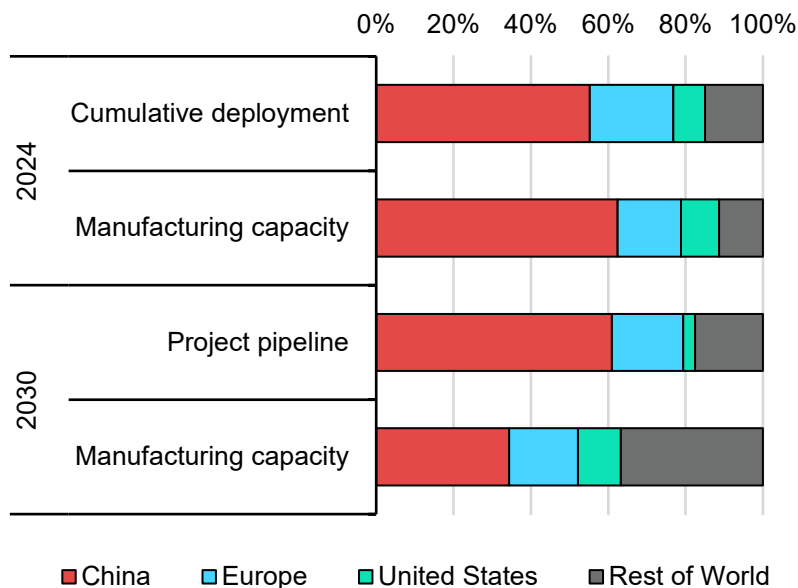
In addition to the 4 Mtpa of projects being in operation or having reached FID, a further 6 Mtpa have a strong potential to become available by 2030, taking into account project size, location and targeted end uses.

Production cost gap can start closing by 2030

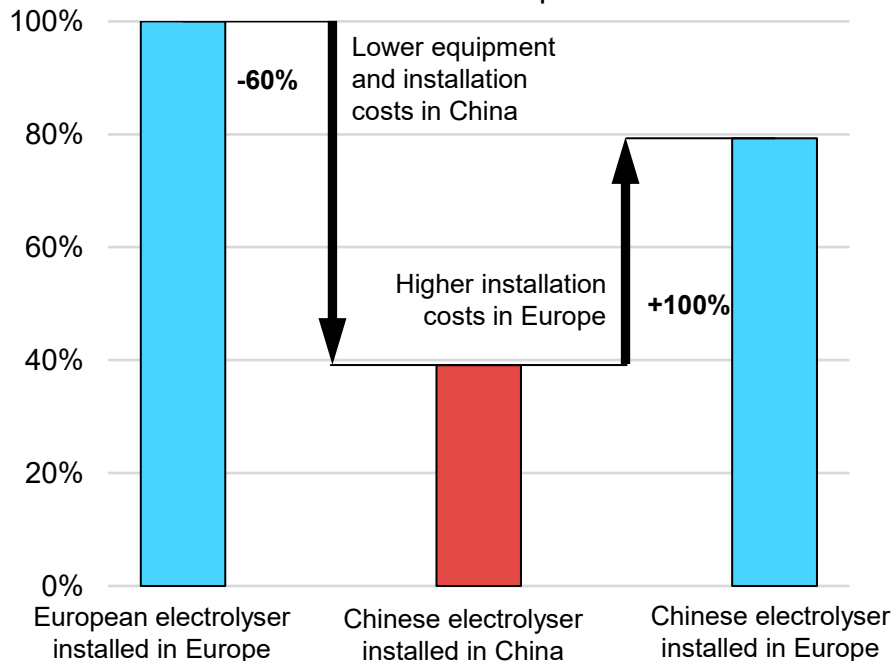


Impact of lower electrolyser costs in China should not be overstated

Electrolyser manufacturing and deployment



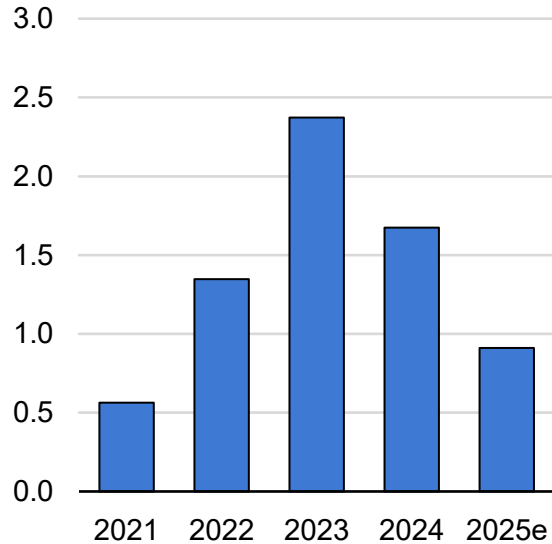
Electrolyser CAPEX relative to electrolyser manufactured and installed in Europe



Installing Chinese electrolysers in Europe reduces the total CAPEX by only around 20% due to local costs as installation. Savings in hydrogen production costs are even lower, with electricity being a major cost component.

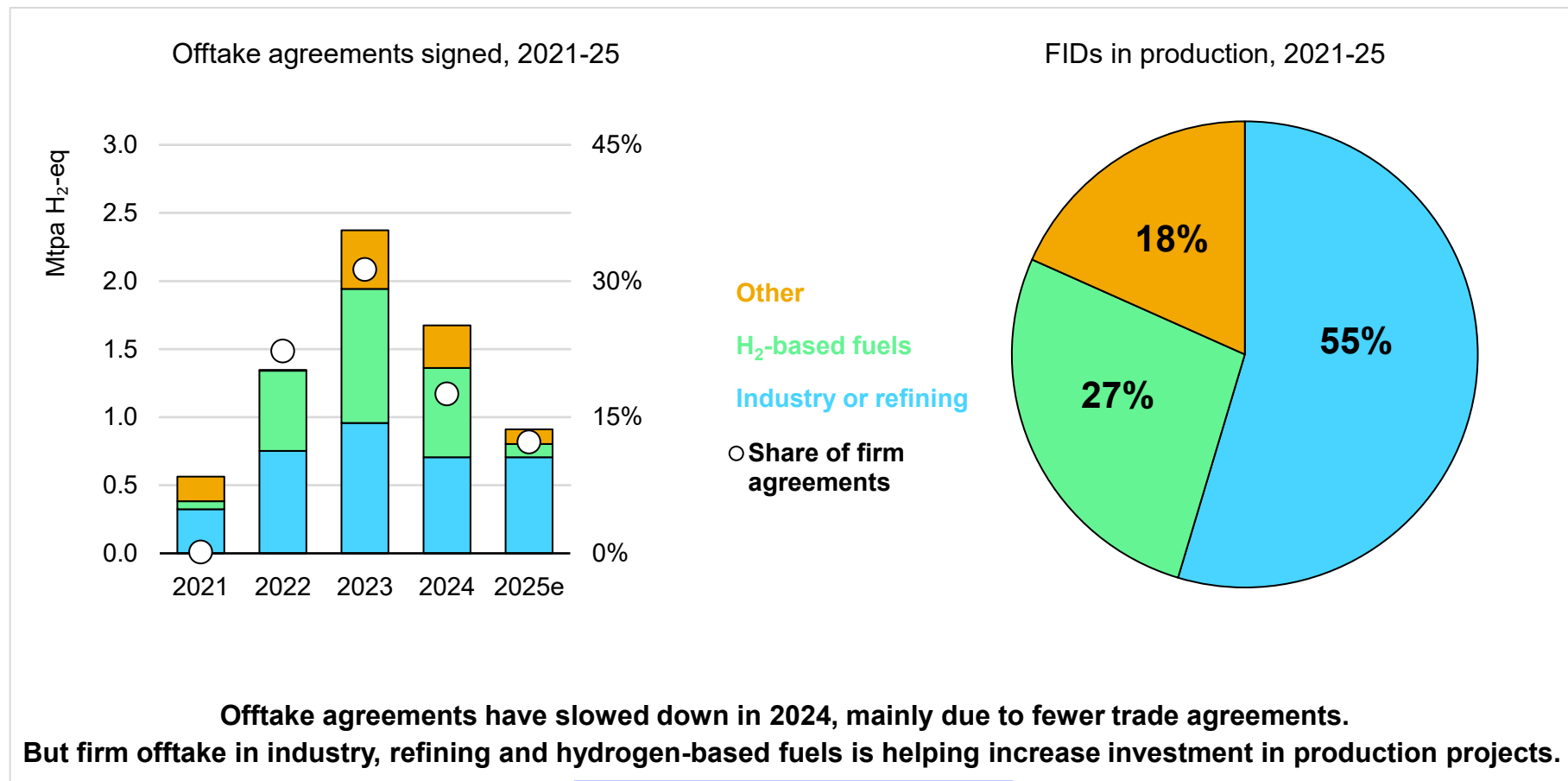
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Offtake agreements signed, 2021-25

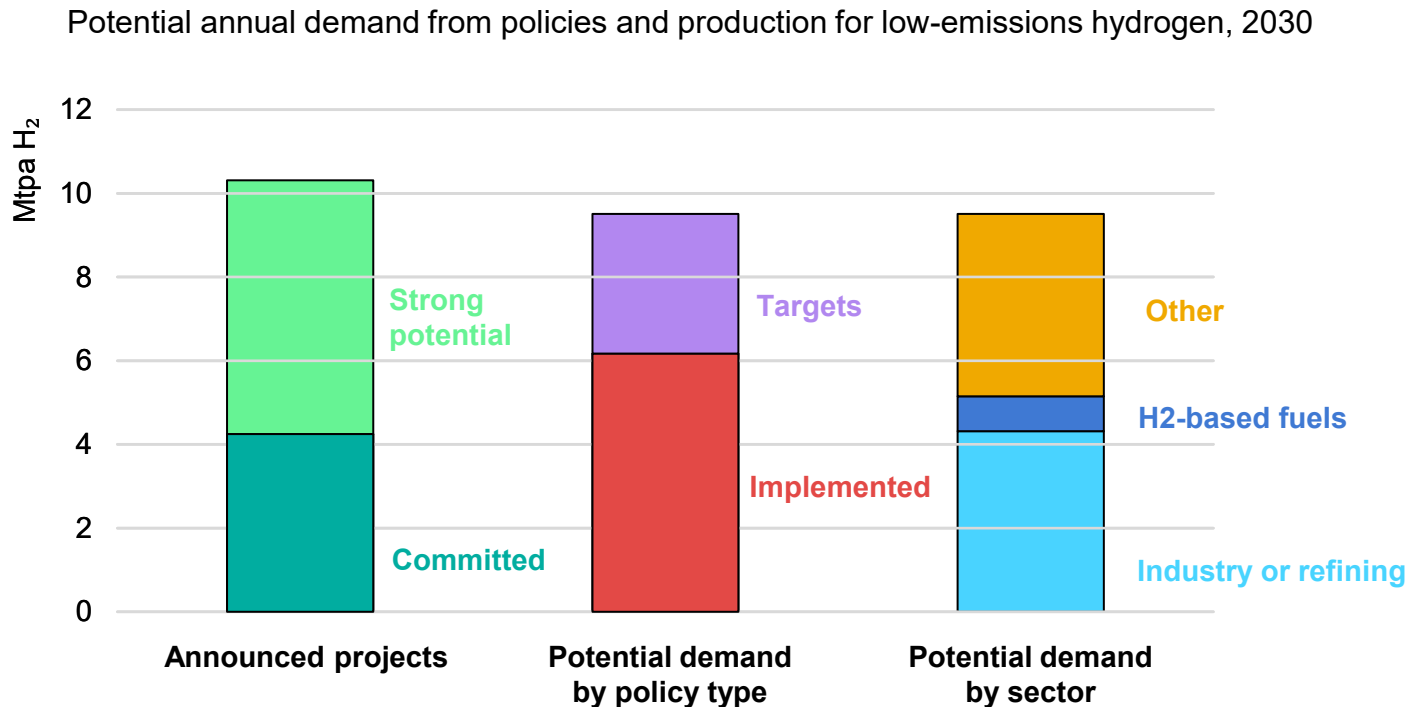


Offtake agreements have slowed down in 2024, mainly due to fewer trade agreements.

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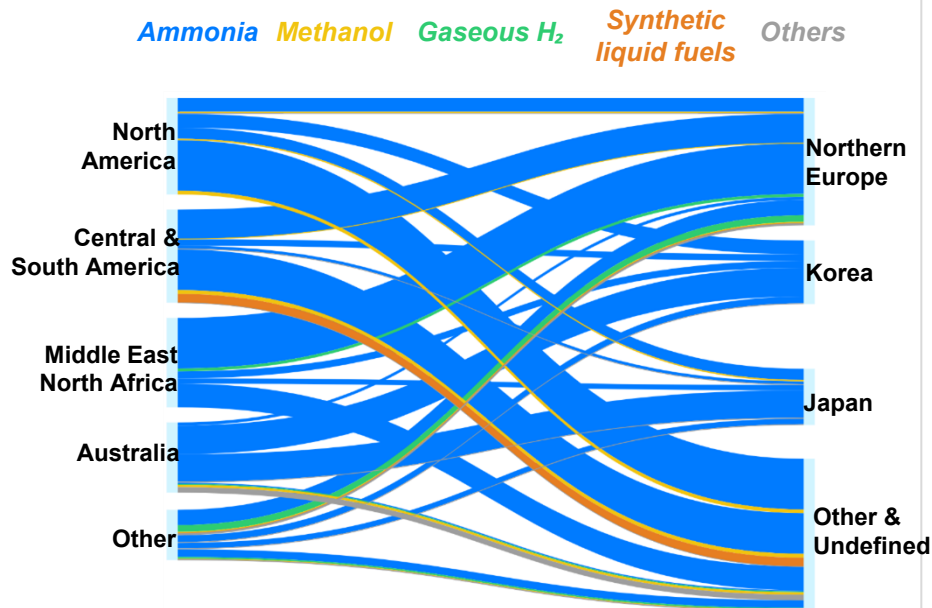
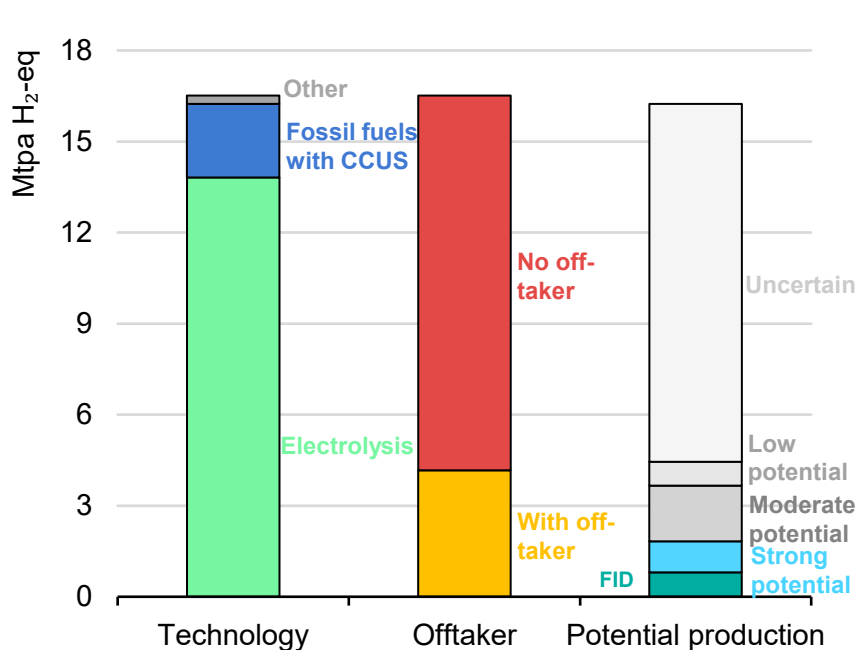
Implementation of demand policies can unlock investment in supply



Policies to create demand for low-emissions hydrogen are now being implemented, but at a slow pace. Further action is possible in existing using and new applications ready to adopt in the short term

Trade is a major driver behind many announcements, but uncertain

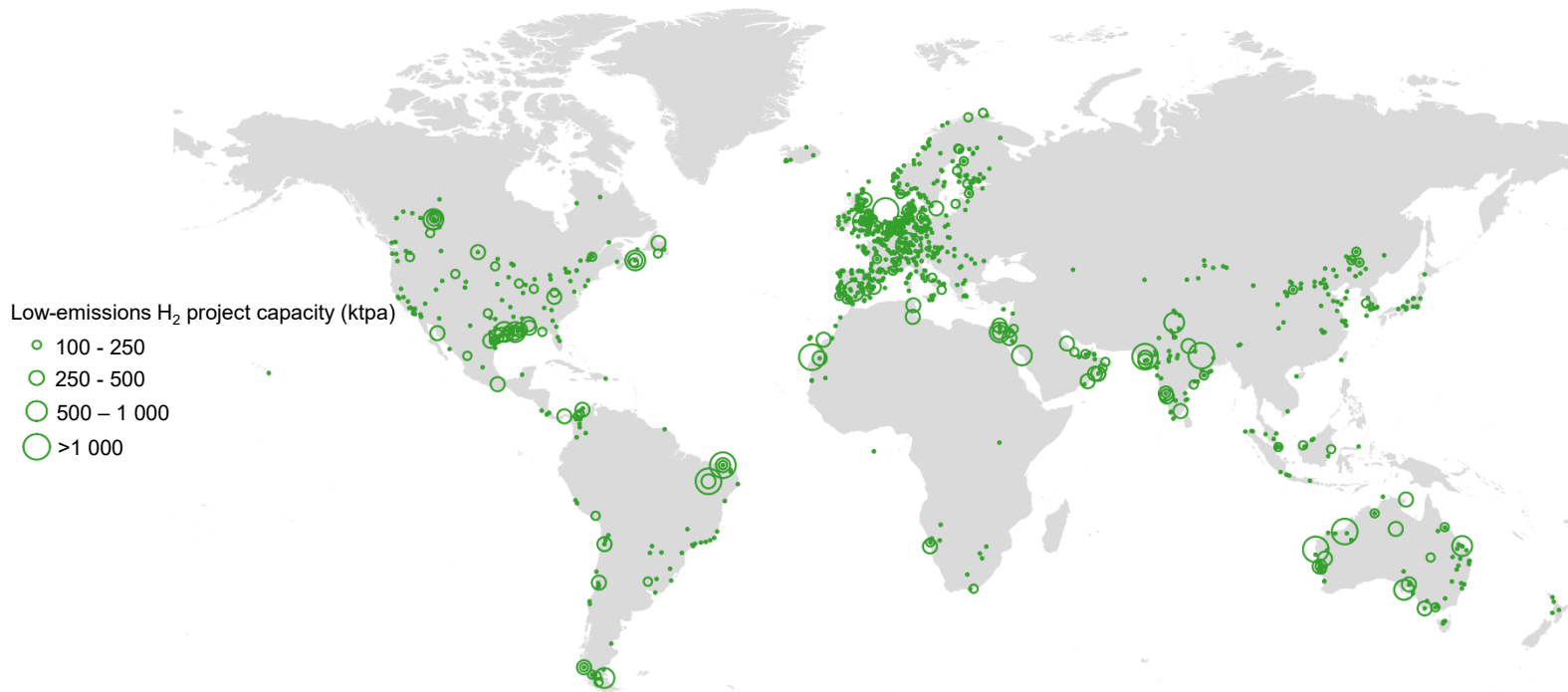
Low-emissions hydrogen production from announced projects intended for exports, 2030



Around 45% of announced low-emissions hydrogen projects by 2030 target exports, but only one-quarter have identified off-takers and less than 5% have secured investment

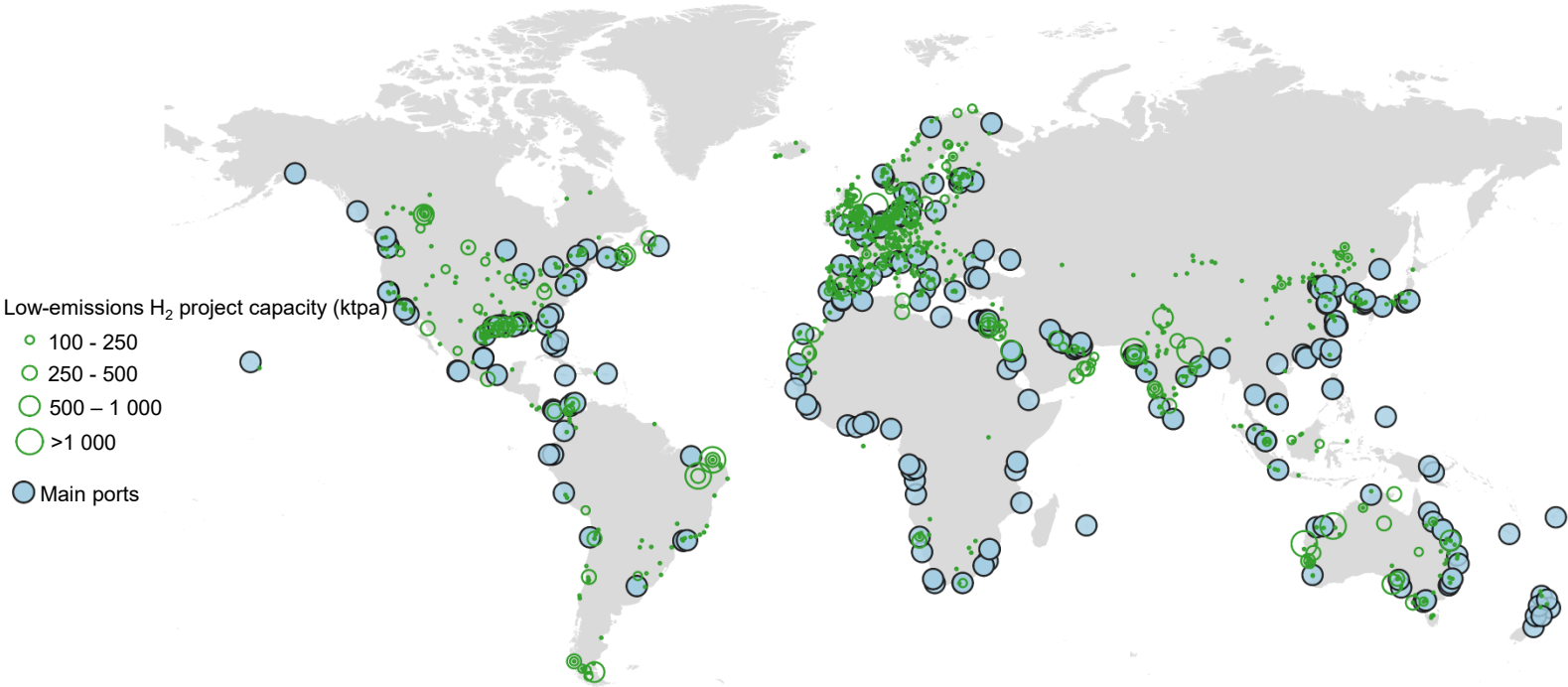
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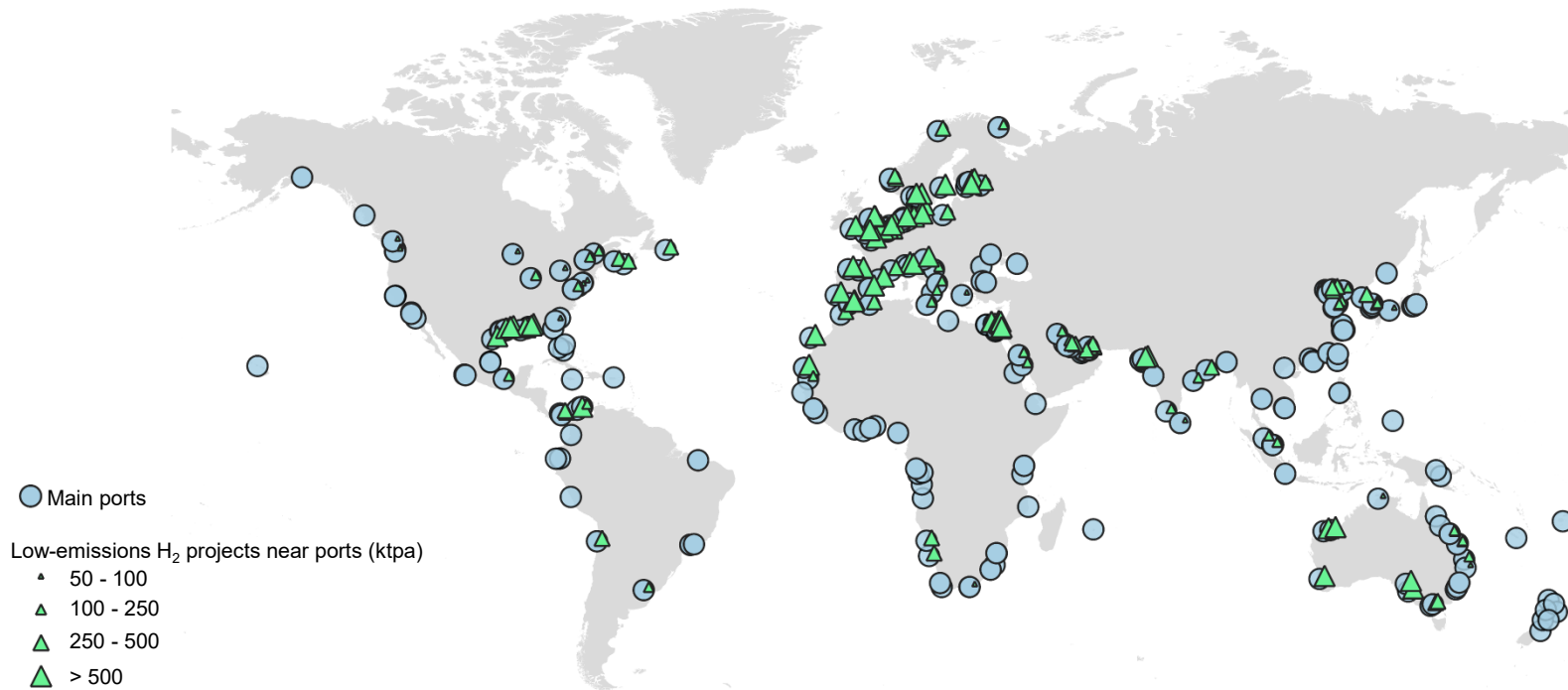
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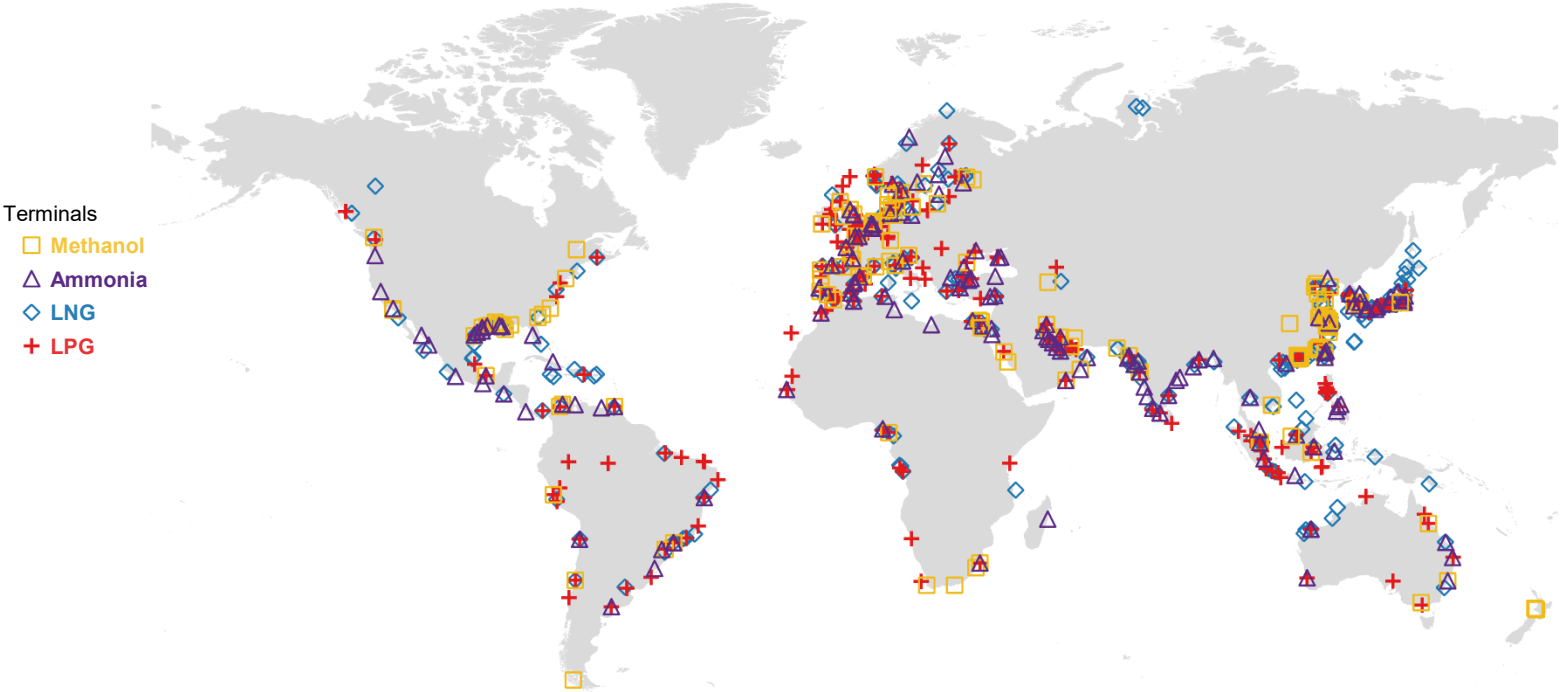
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Over 120 major ports could access each at least 100 ktpa of low-emissions hydrogen by 2030, corresponding in total to almost 70% of the low-emissions hydrogen production from announced projects

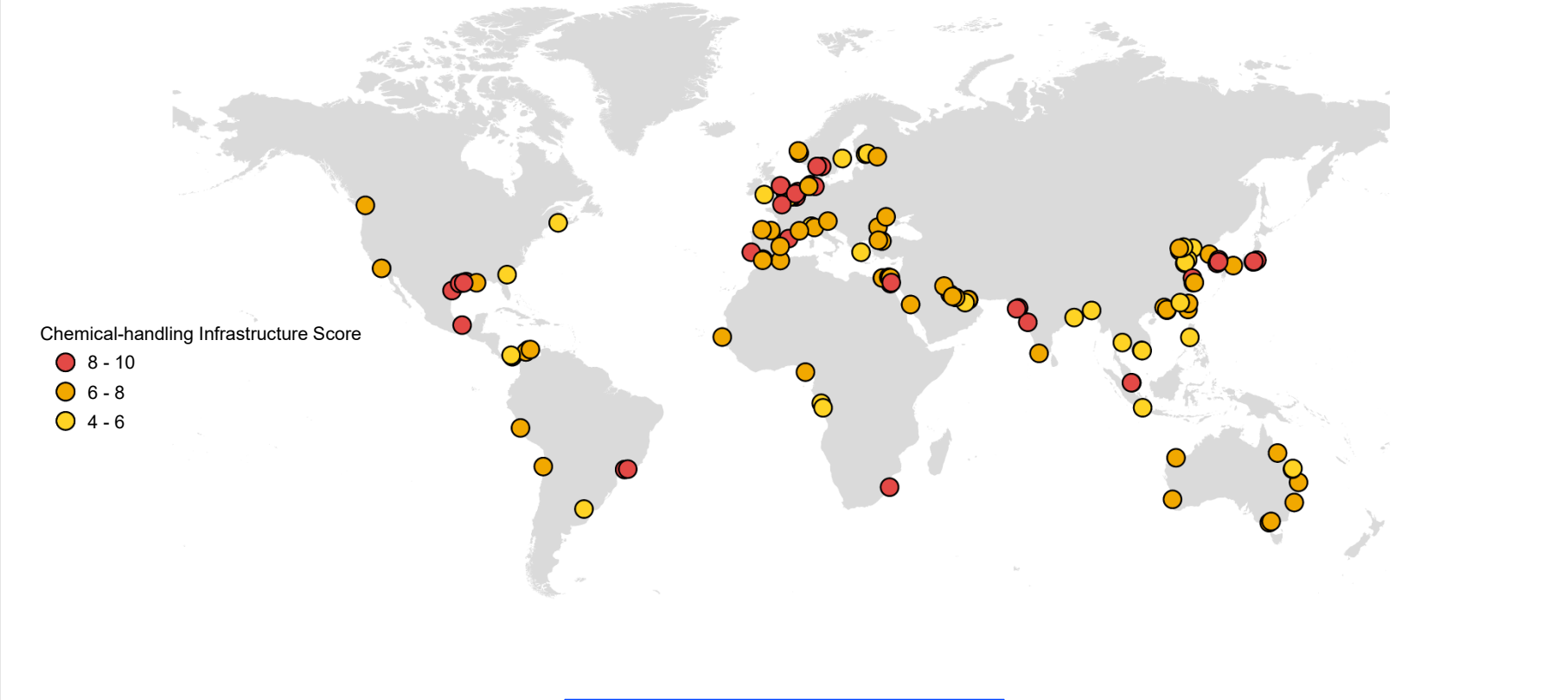
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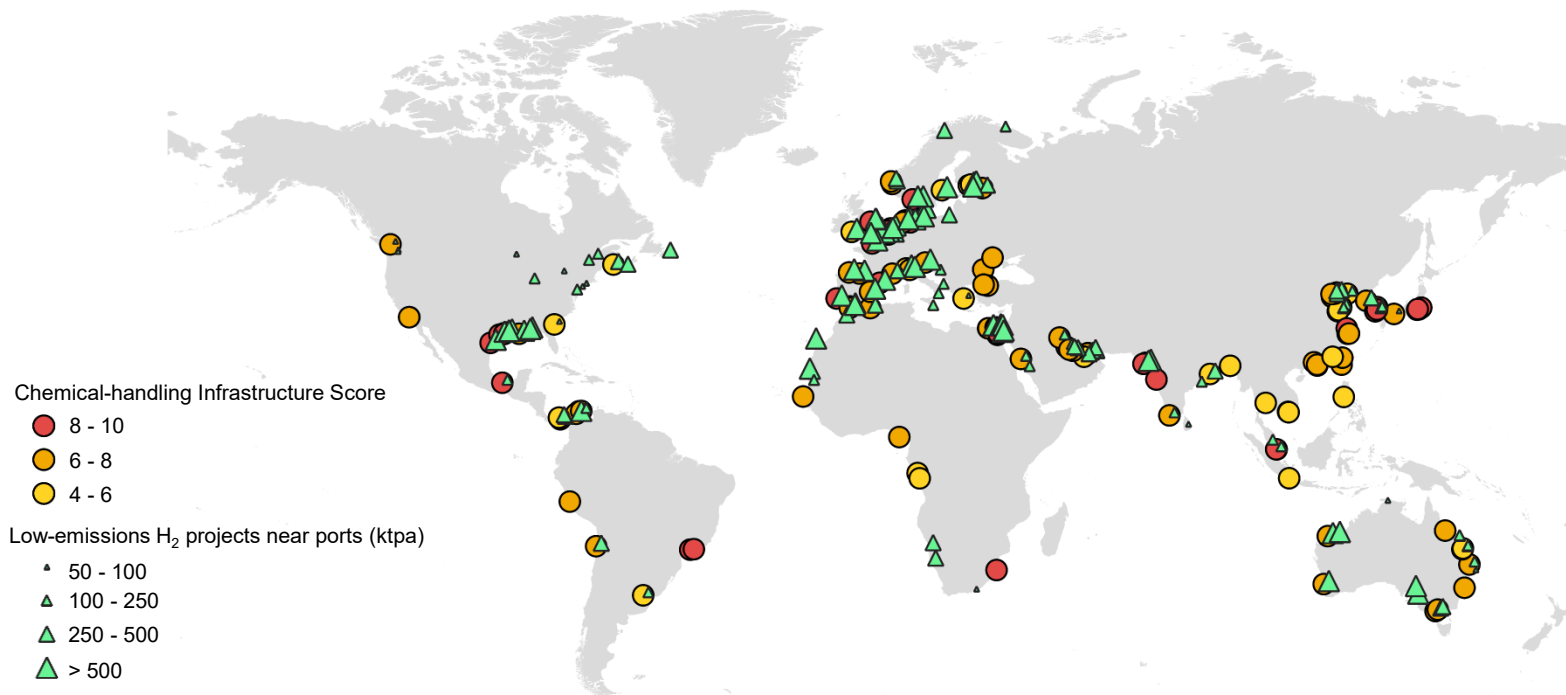
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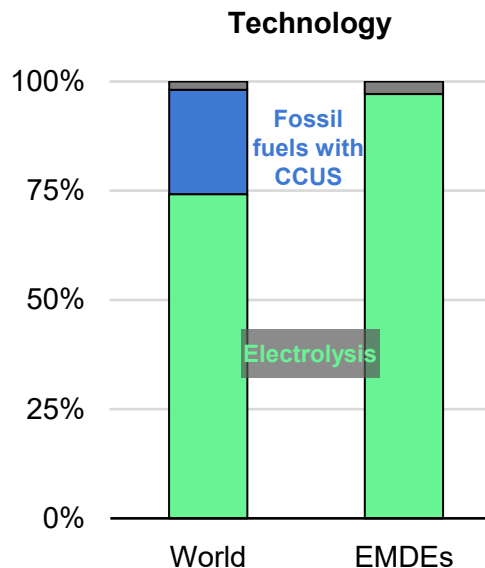
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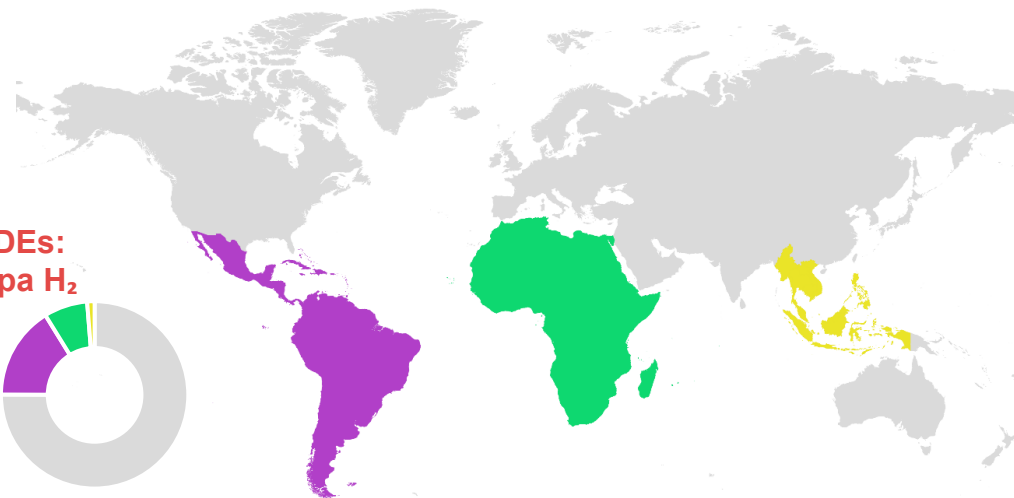
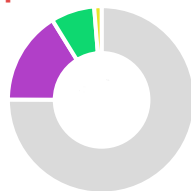
Almost 80 ports have strong readiness to handle hydrogen-based fuels, and nearly 55 are close to announced low-emissions hydrogen projects, while 60% are also main bunkering hubs

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Share of low-emissions hydrogen production from announced projects, 2030



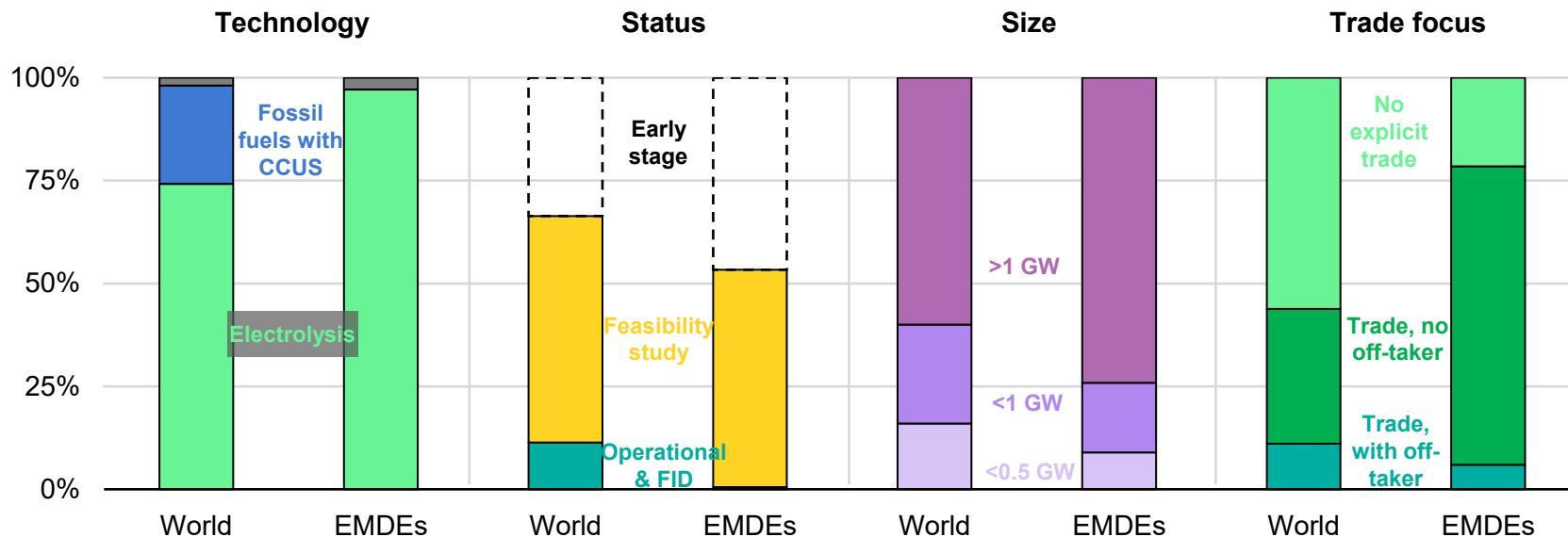
**EMDEs:
9 Mtpa H₂**



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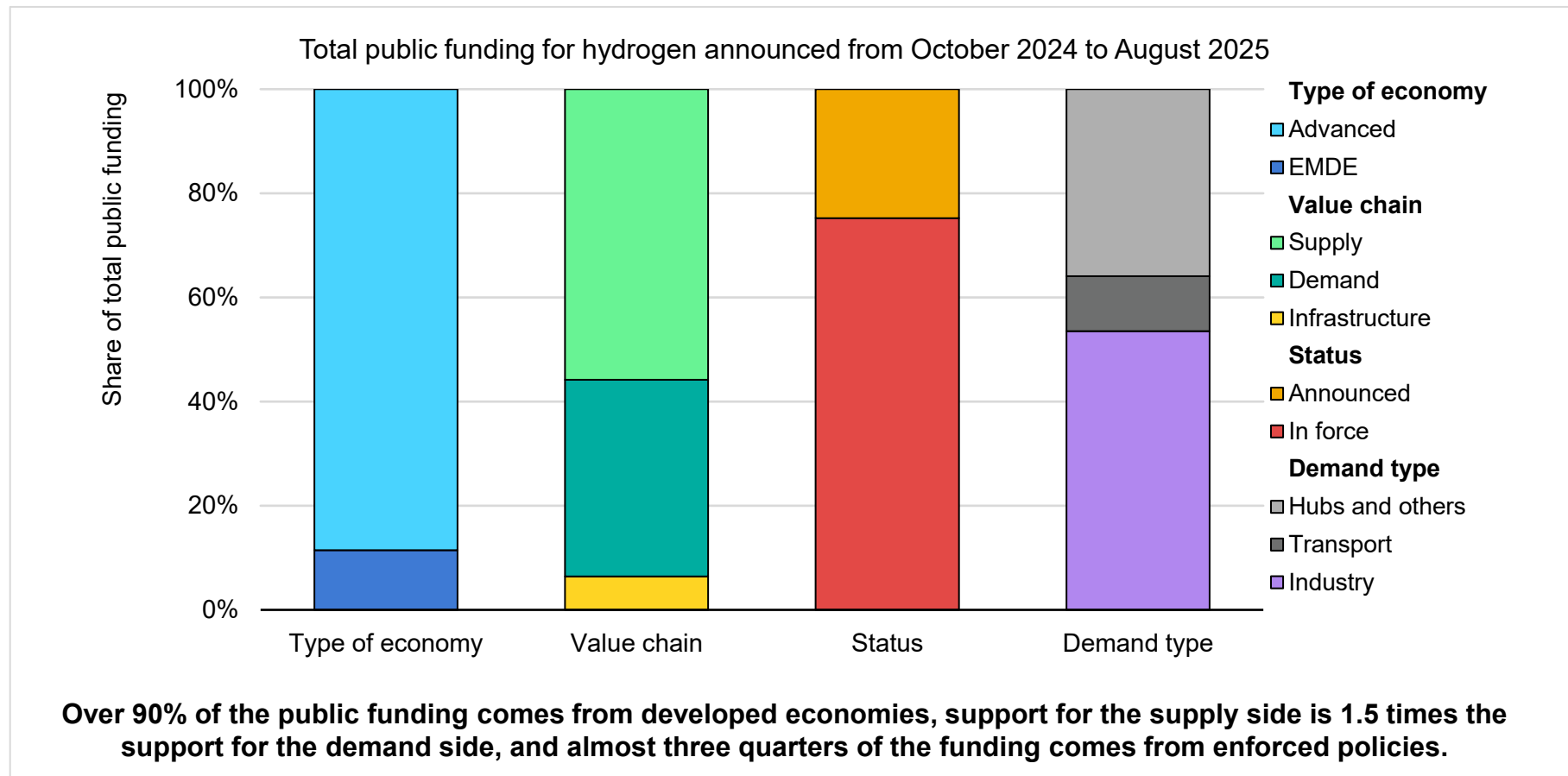
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Over USD 38 billion of public funding mobilised in the past year



Over 90% of the public funding comes from developed economies, support for the supply side is 1.5 times the support for the demand side, and almost three quarters of the funding comes from enforced policies.



4 Mt of demand
in 2024

- Indonesia (35%), Malaysia (22%), Viet Nam (15%), Singapore (12%).
- Ammonia (49%), refining (31%), methanol (20%).
- 1% of regional energy-related CO₂ emissions.
- 8% of gas supply.



5 countries with
strategies

- **Mixed views** on production pathways and trade.
- Preparatory work by Thailand and the Philippines.
- **No certification scheme is in place**, but work is ongoing in three countries.

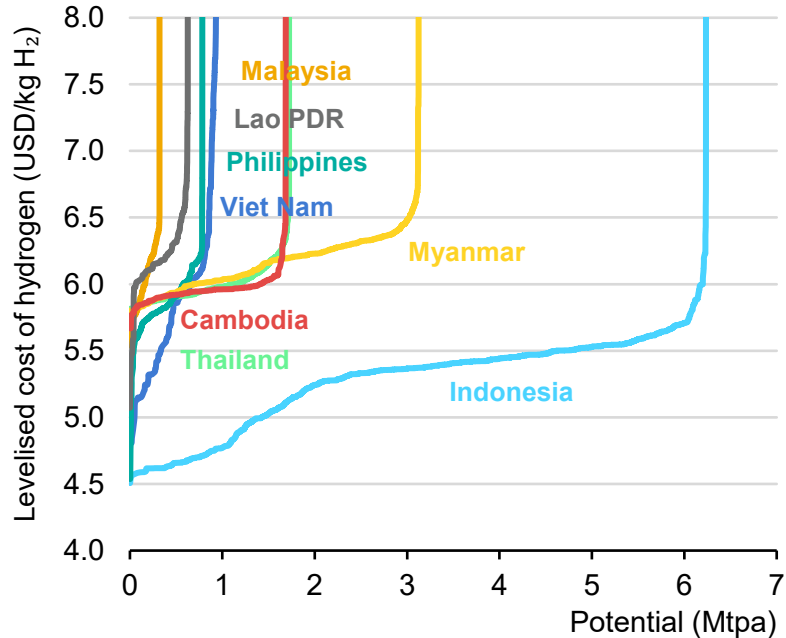


17% of ammonia
exports (2023)

- Southeast Asia is a net **ammonia exporter**, but **only Indonesia and Malaysia** export.
- **Malaysia** represents 73% of exports. Most **other countries are importers**.
- Regional **production of crude steel** is 60% of demand.

What are the opportunities in hydrogen production?

Supply cost curves for renewable hydrogen



Trade of hydrogen derivatives, 2024

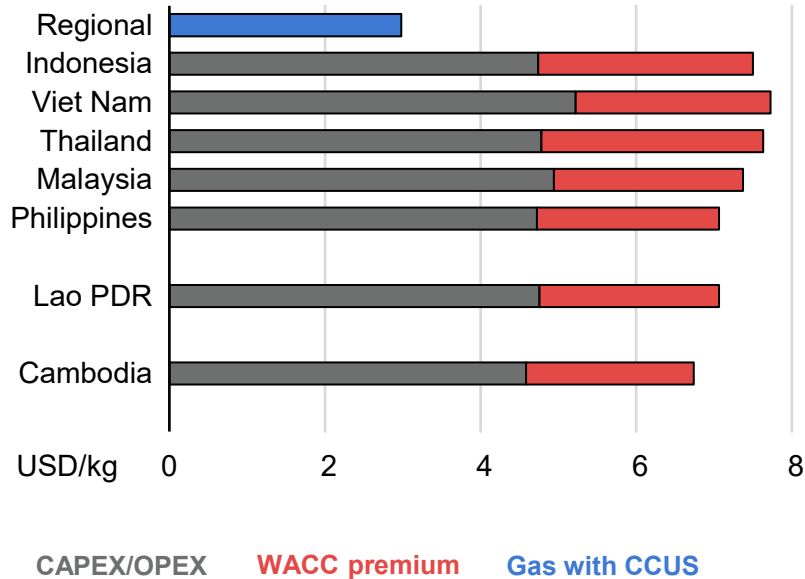
■ Imports ■ Exports

	Ammonia	Methanol	Steel
Indonesia	Exports	Imports	Imports
Viet Nam	Imports	Imports	Imports
Thailand	Imports	Imports	Imports
Malaysia	Exports	Exports	Exports
Philippines	Imports	Imports	Imports
Singapore	Imports	Imports	Imports
Myanmar	Imports	Imports	Imports
Brunei	Imports	Imports	Imports

Southeast Asian countries have four main opportunities: their renewable hydrogen potential, displacement of imports of hydrogen derivatives, high demand concentration and deployment through state-owned enterprises.

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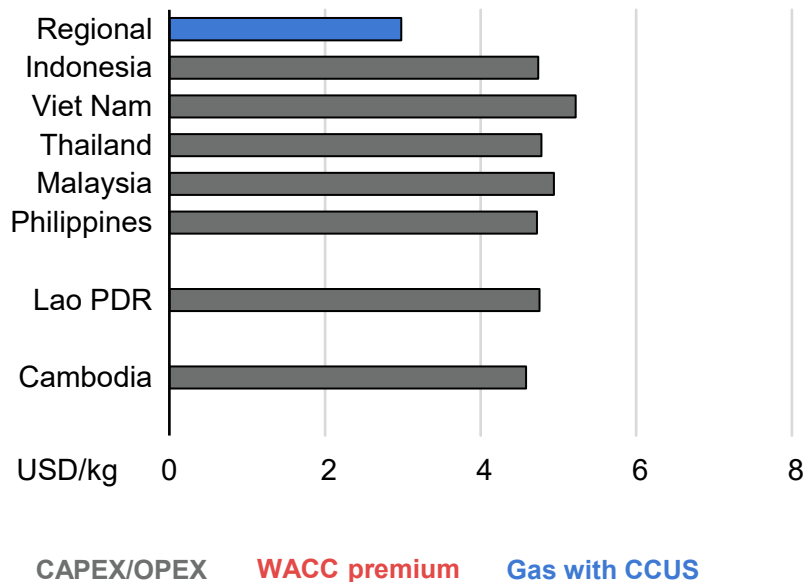
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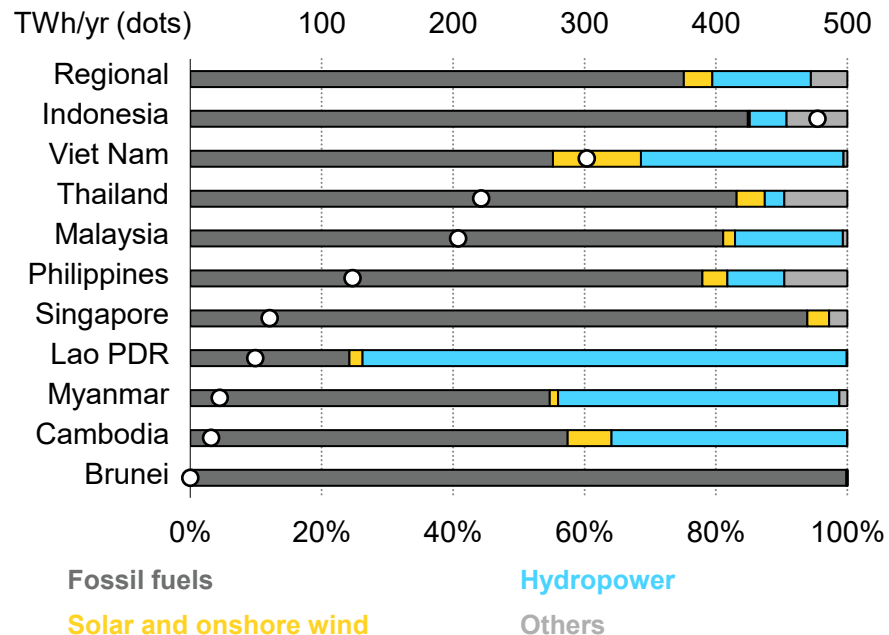
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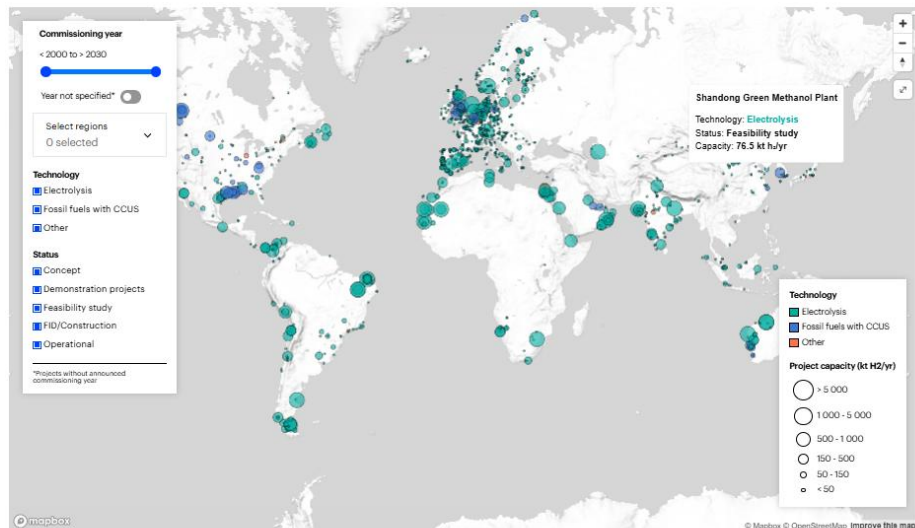
- **Maintain support schemes for low-emissions hydrogen production**, with a focus on shovel-ready projects that target existing applications.
- **Accelerate demand creation** for low-emissions hydrogen and hydrogen-based fuels through regulations and support schemes in key sectors.
- **Expedite deployment of hydrogen infrastructure** by removing barriers and leveraging early opportunities.
- **Enhance public support to reduce technology risk** and facilitate project financing.
- **Support emerging and developing economies in moving up the value chain** for low-emissions hydrogen-based products.

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Low-emissions hydrogen projects

This interactive map features operational and announced projects to produce low-emissions hydrogen, classified by technology route and status, from concept to operation.

We encourage and welcome contributions from all stakeholders on additions and required changes. Please contact hydrogen@iea.org.

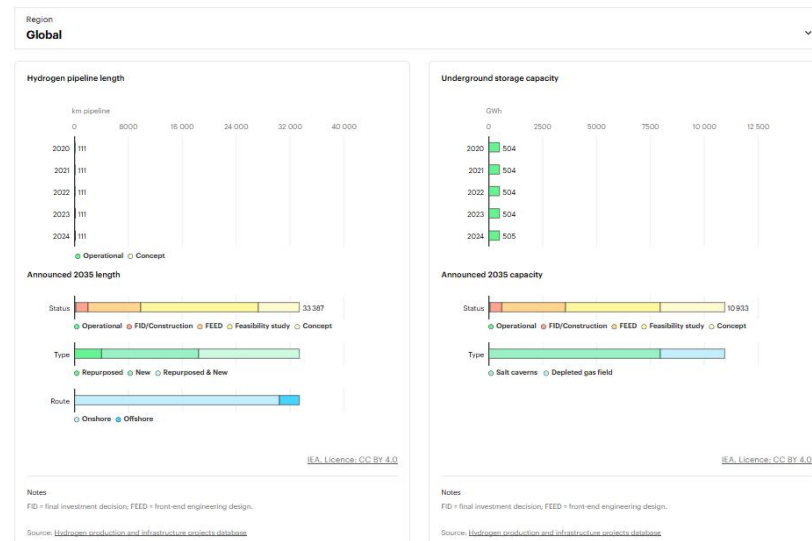


CCUS = carbon capture, utilisation and storage; FID = final investment decision. "Other" technologies includes technologies such as biomass gasification, biogas pyrolysis, biogas reforming or methane pyrolysis. The map does not show information on projects that are confidential or for which the location has not been determined. Source: [Hydrogen production and infrastructure projects database](#)

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Hydrogen infrastructure

This tracker shows data on available transmission hydrogen pipelines and facilities for underground storage of hydrogen since 2020, as well as the level of deployment that could be achieved by 2035 based on all announced projects. Users can view global data and filter data by country and by region. Historical data shows the aggregated pipeline length and storage capacity. The announced pipeline length by 2035 shows a breakdown by project status, by type of pipeline and by pipeline route, whereas the announced storage capacity by 2035 shows a breakdown by project status and by type of storage site.



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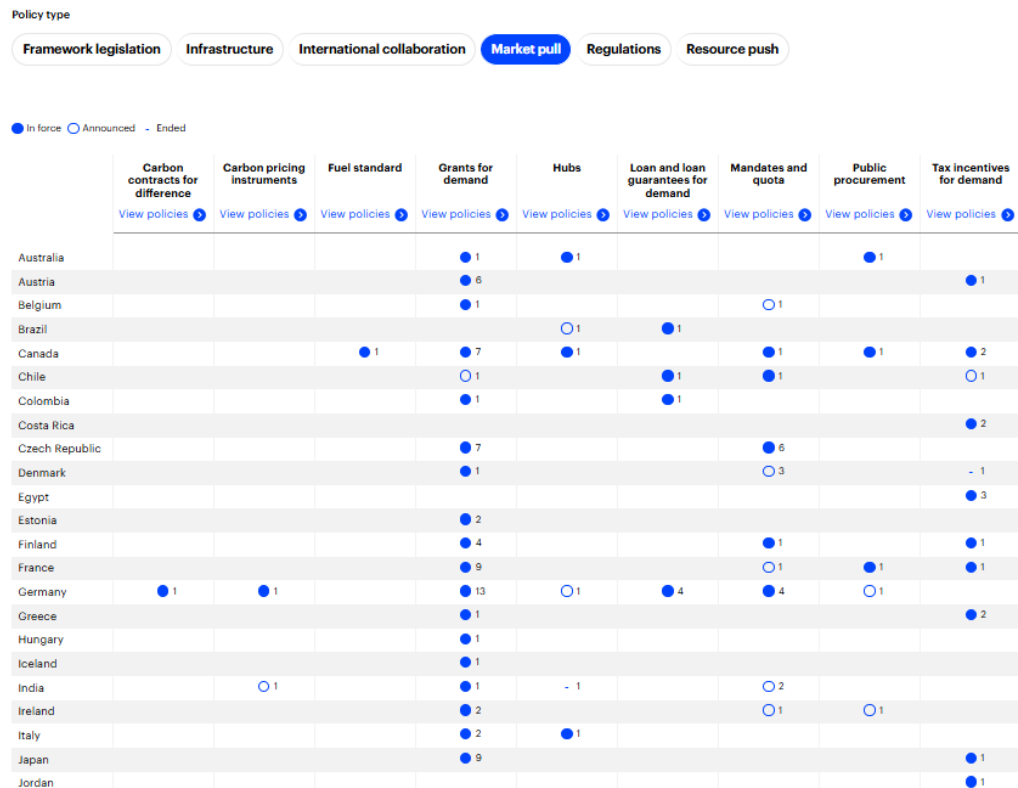
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