

# Carbon2Chem<sup>®</sup>: Routes towards commodity scale production of high-value platform chemicals

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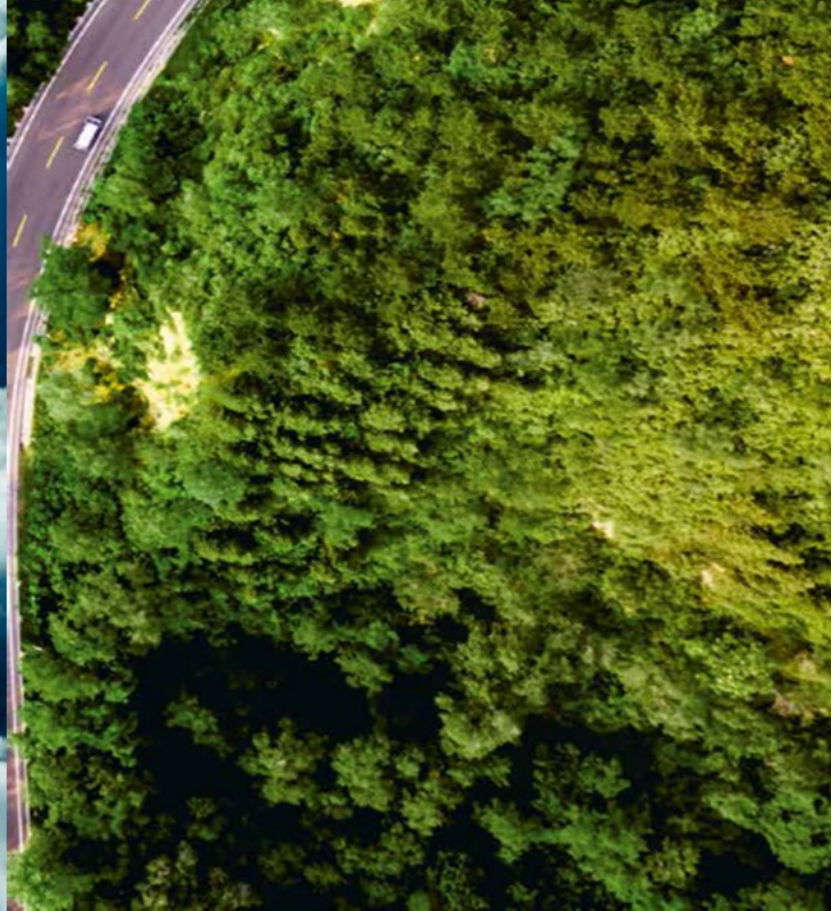
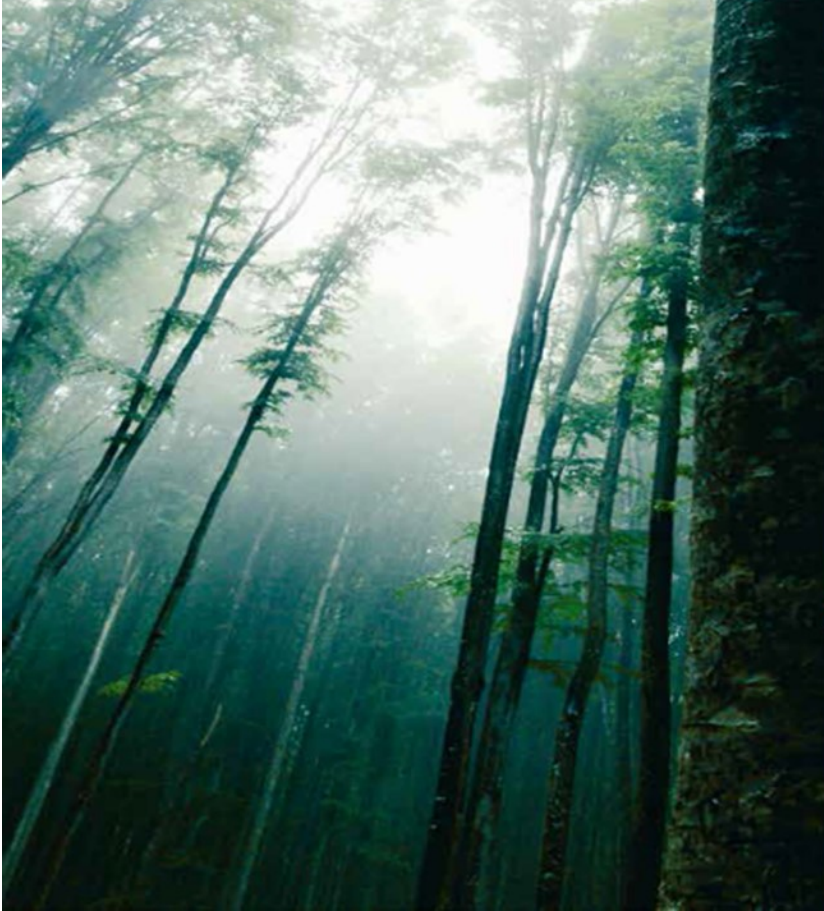


There is no life without any Carbon in nature

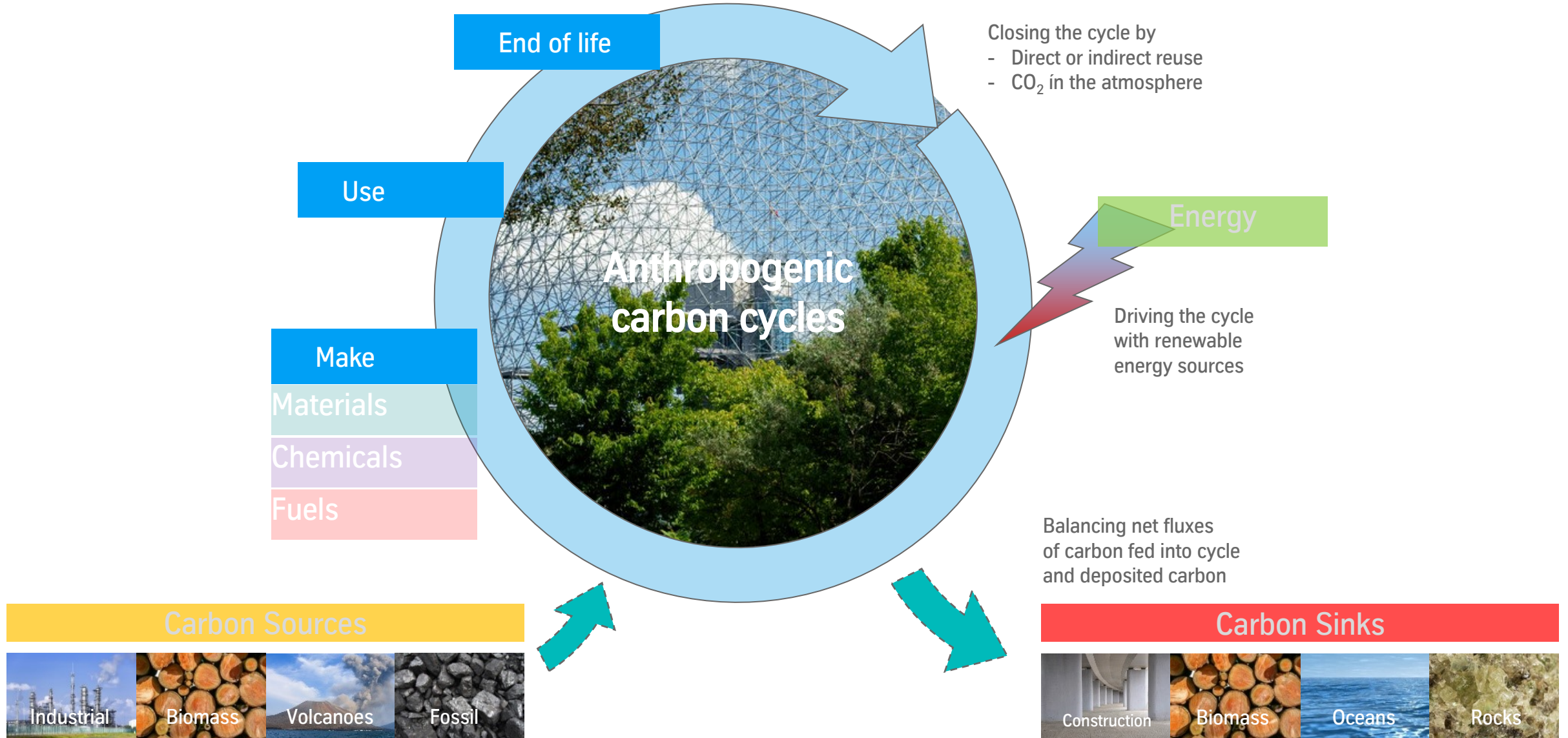




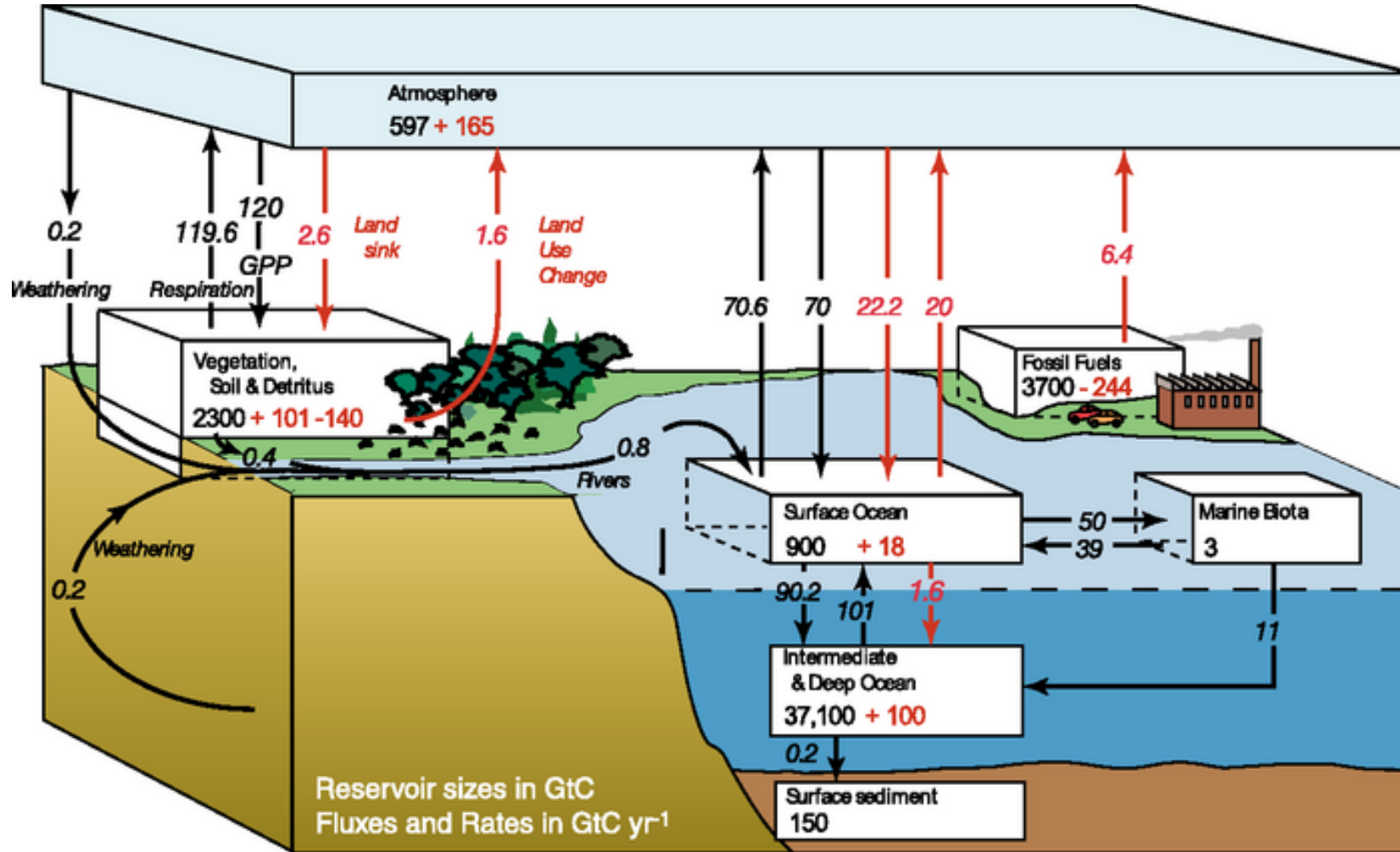
There is no life without any Carbon in plants



# Carbon will remain a key element also in the future



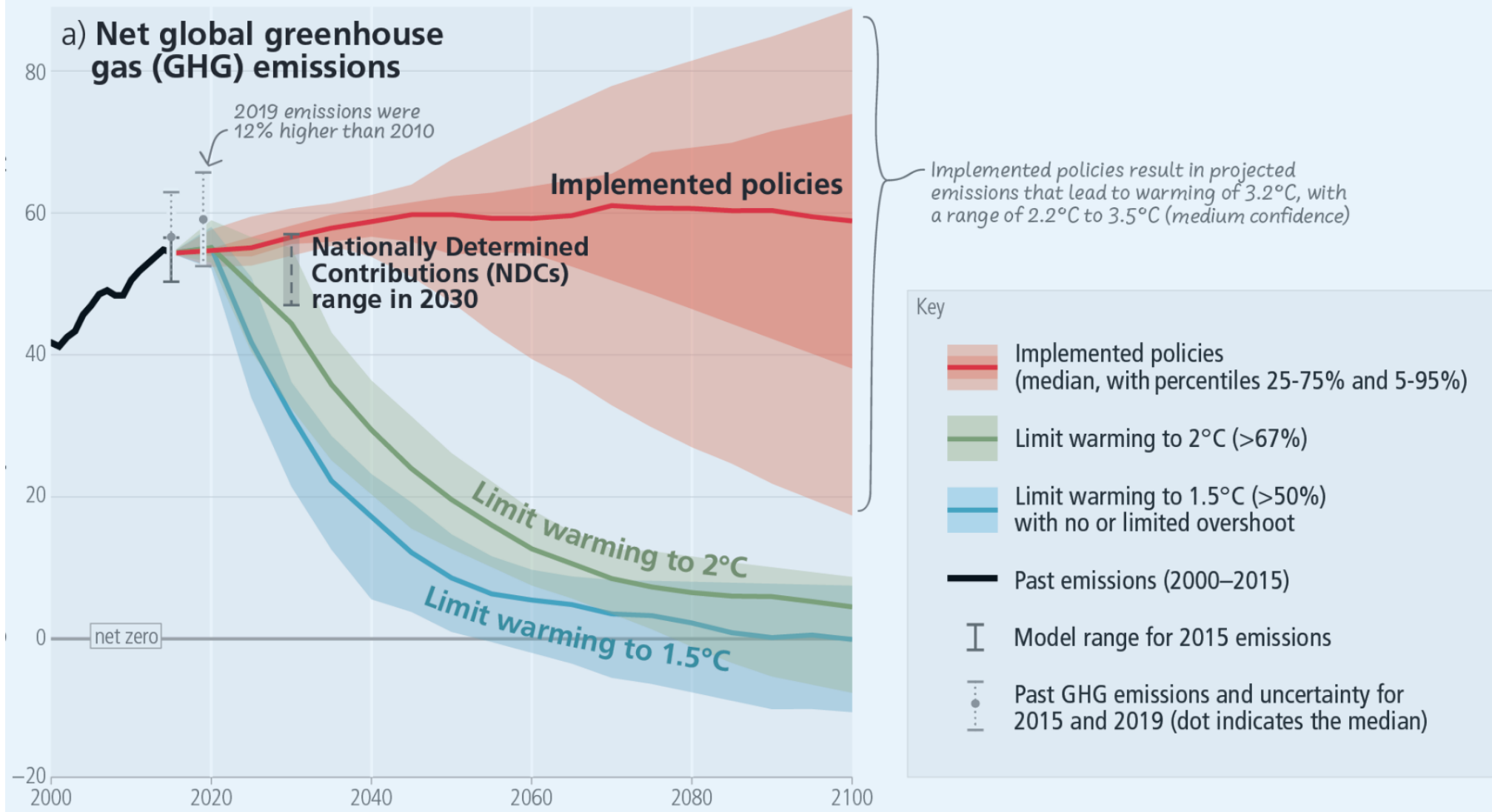
# The global Carbon Cycle can absorb huge amounts of Carbon, but ....



Source: IPCC

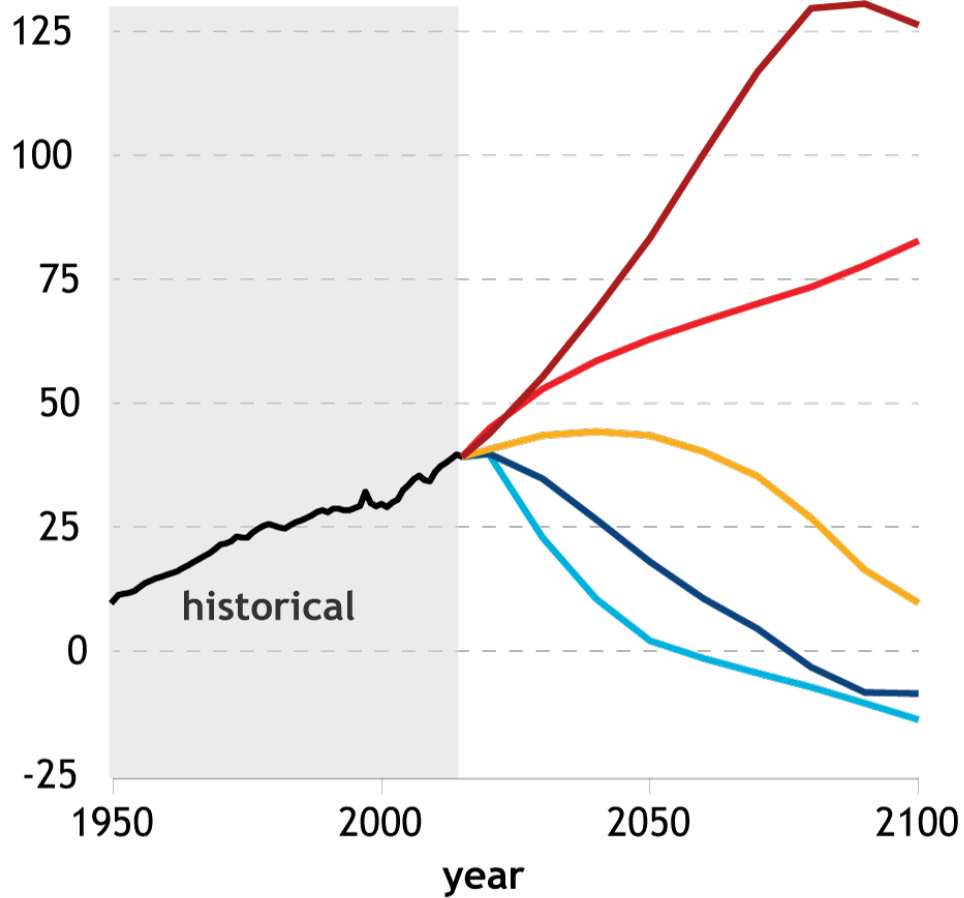


# ...we emit more than nature can absorb

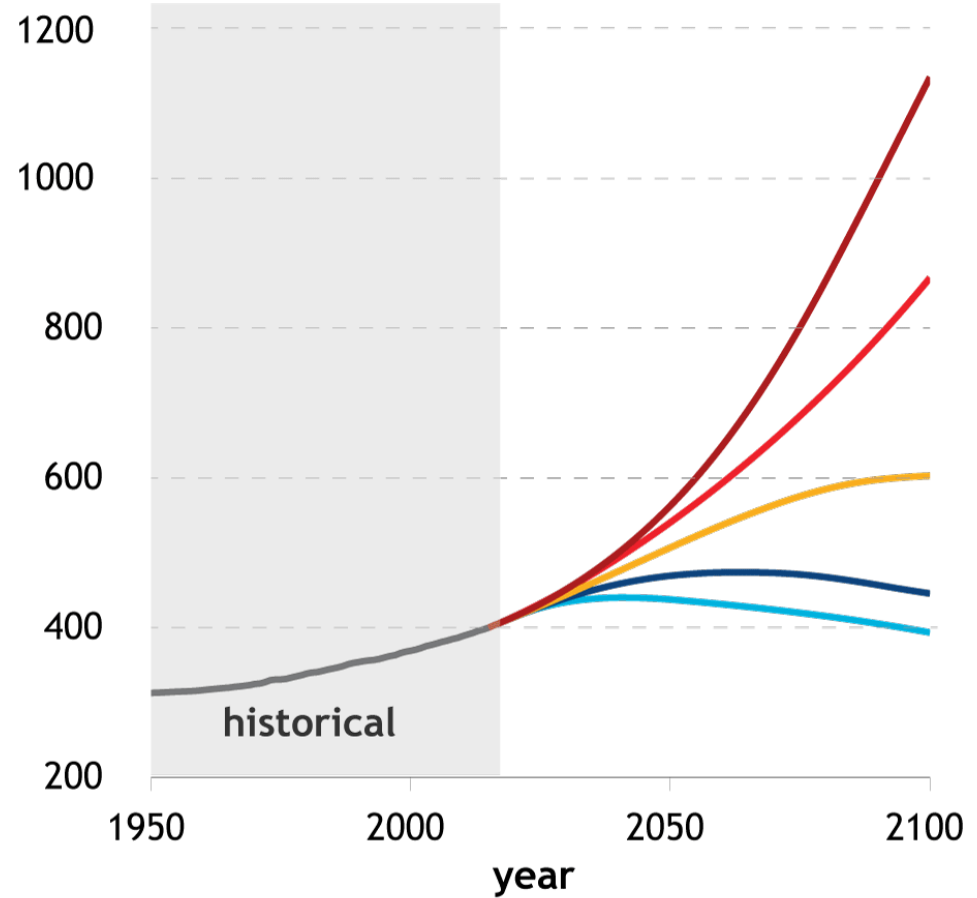


# Accumulates CO2 emissions in the Atmosphere

Past and future carbon dioxide emissions (billions of tons/year)



Past and future atmospheric carbon dioxide (parts per million)



# What is the size of that CO<sub>2</sub> emissions in atmosphere



420 ppm = 913 Gt C

15 Volume of  
Bodensee

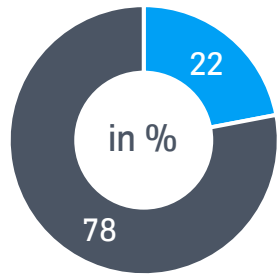




# Industry has a major responsibility

With around 1/3 of Germany's CO<sub>2</sub> emissions

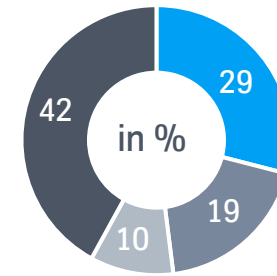
## Breakdown of total CO<sub>2</sub> emissions Germany<sup>1</sup>



Total: 907 m t

- Industry
- Other sectors

## Breakdown of industrial CO<sub>2</sub> emissions Germany<sup>1</sup>



Total: 200 m t

- Iron and steel
- Basic chemistry
- Cement
- Others



<sup>1</sup> Source: Agora energy transformation: UBA, 2019a; WV Stahl, 2018; Wuppertal Institute, 2019; own calculations



# thyssenkrupp Steel Europe takes responsibility and has set itself clear targets

Our goal by the year 2030<sup>1</sup>

>30 %

Reduction in CO<sub>2</sub> emissions  
(-6 m metric tons)

Our goal by 2045 at the latest

-100 %

CO<sub>2</sub> emissions  
(-20 m metric tons)



1. -30% CO<sub>2</sub> emissions in 2030 refers to Scope 1 and Scope 2 emissions (reference year 2018)

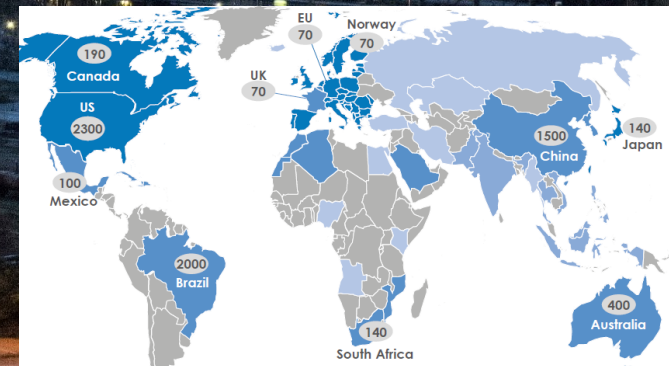
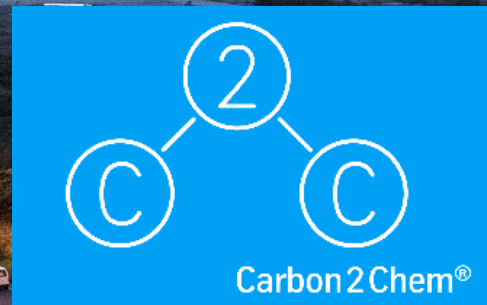


To fulfill the CO<sub>2</sub> Targets clear focus is necessary

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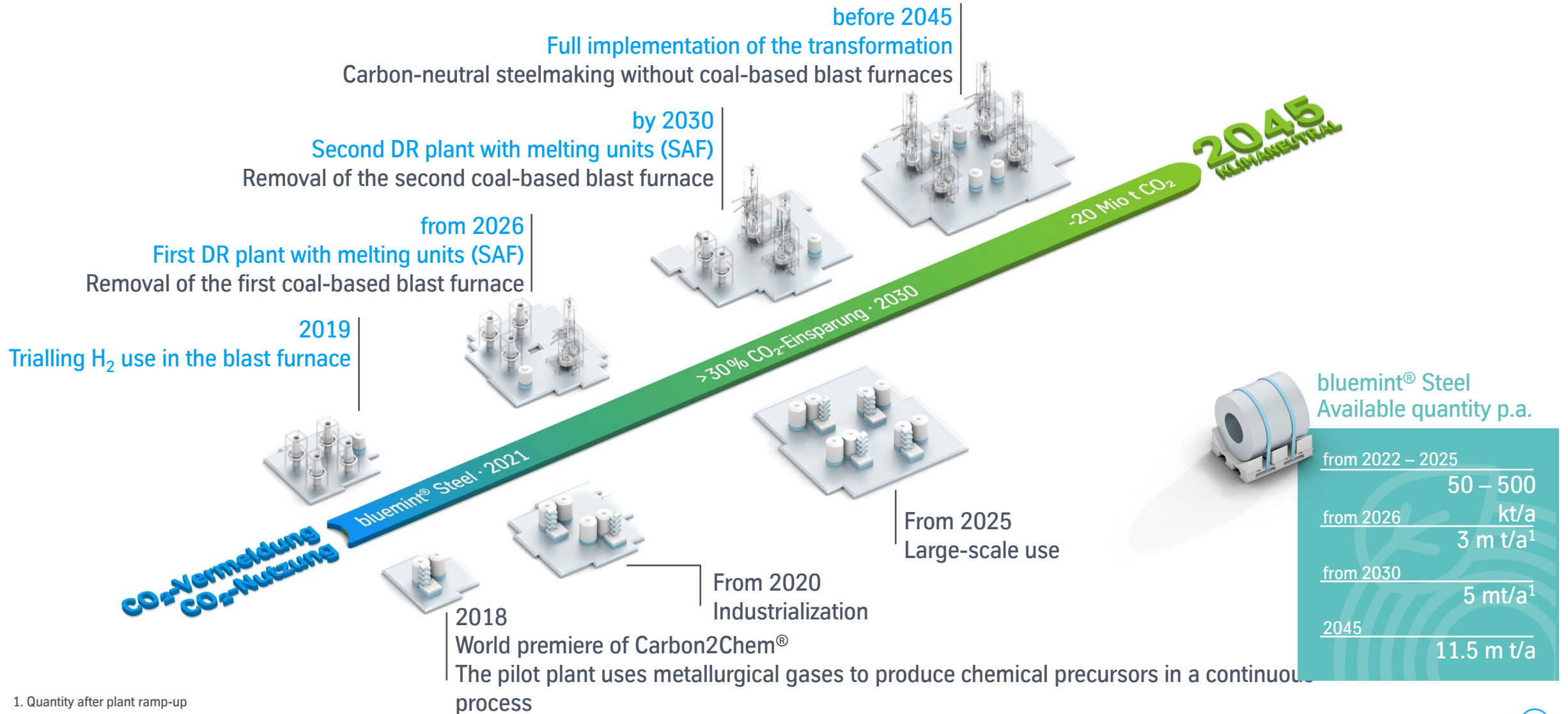
2. Utilization

3. Storage



# tkH<sub>2</sub>Steel

With hydrogen to carbon-neutral steel

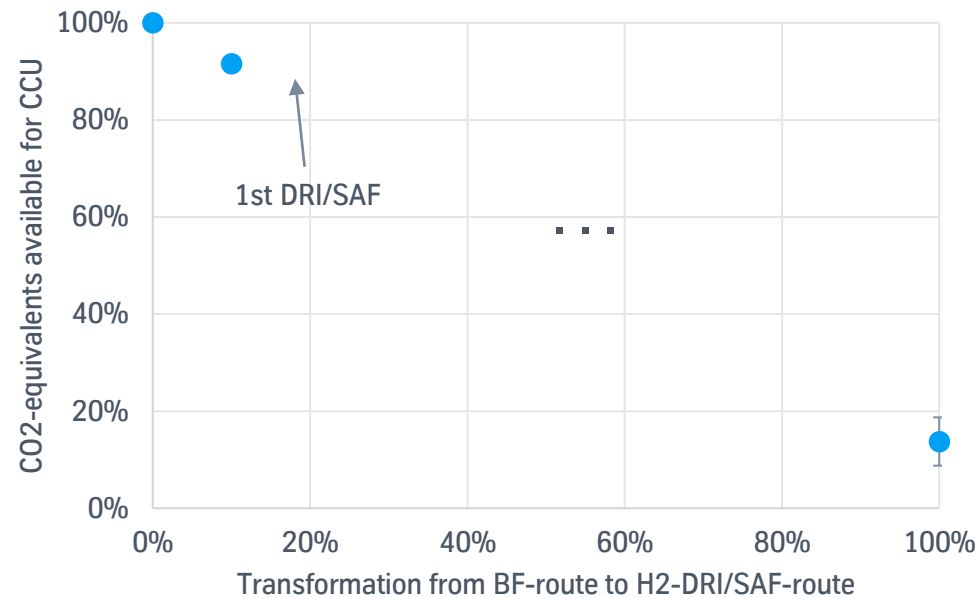
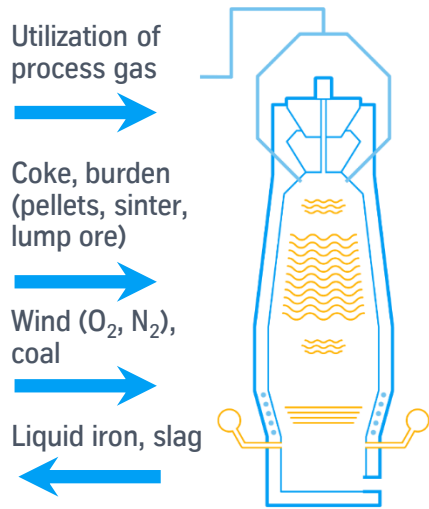


1. Quantity after plant ramp-up

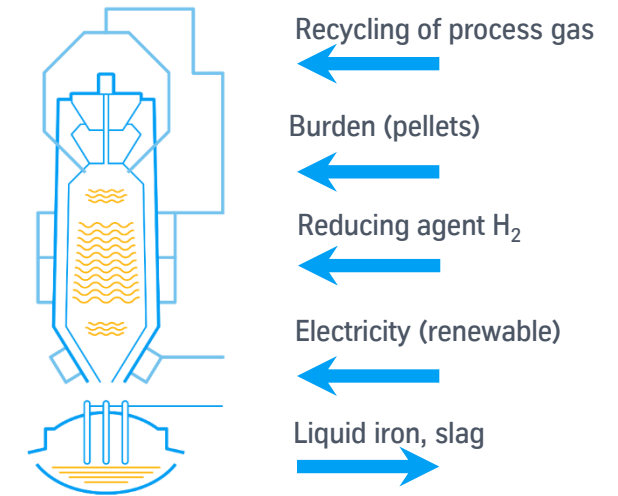


# Carbon2Chem and CDA path complement each other to reach climate goals

Classical blast furnace



DR plant + melter



## Today:

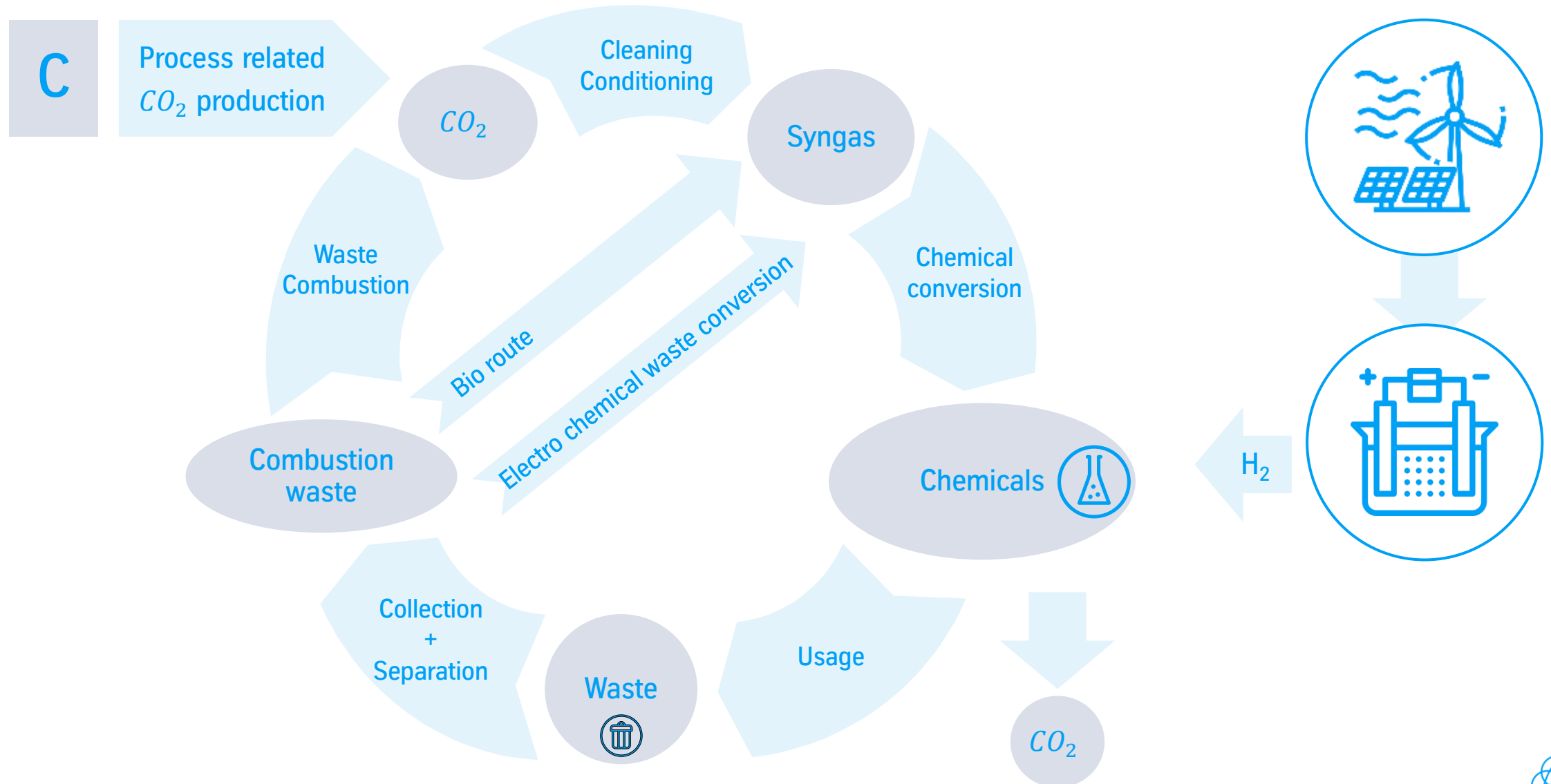
- Large volumes of blast furnace gas + coke oven gas available for CCU
- Feasibility of production of methanol and ammonia from real steel mill gases proven in technical center since 2018
- Carbon2Chem can be implemented fast, can contribute to 2030 climate goals + provides rapid access to sustainable feedstock for chemical industry

## After complete transformation:

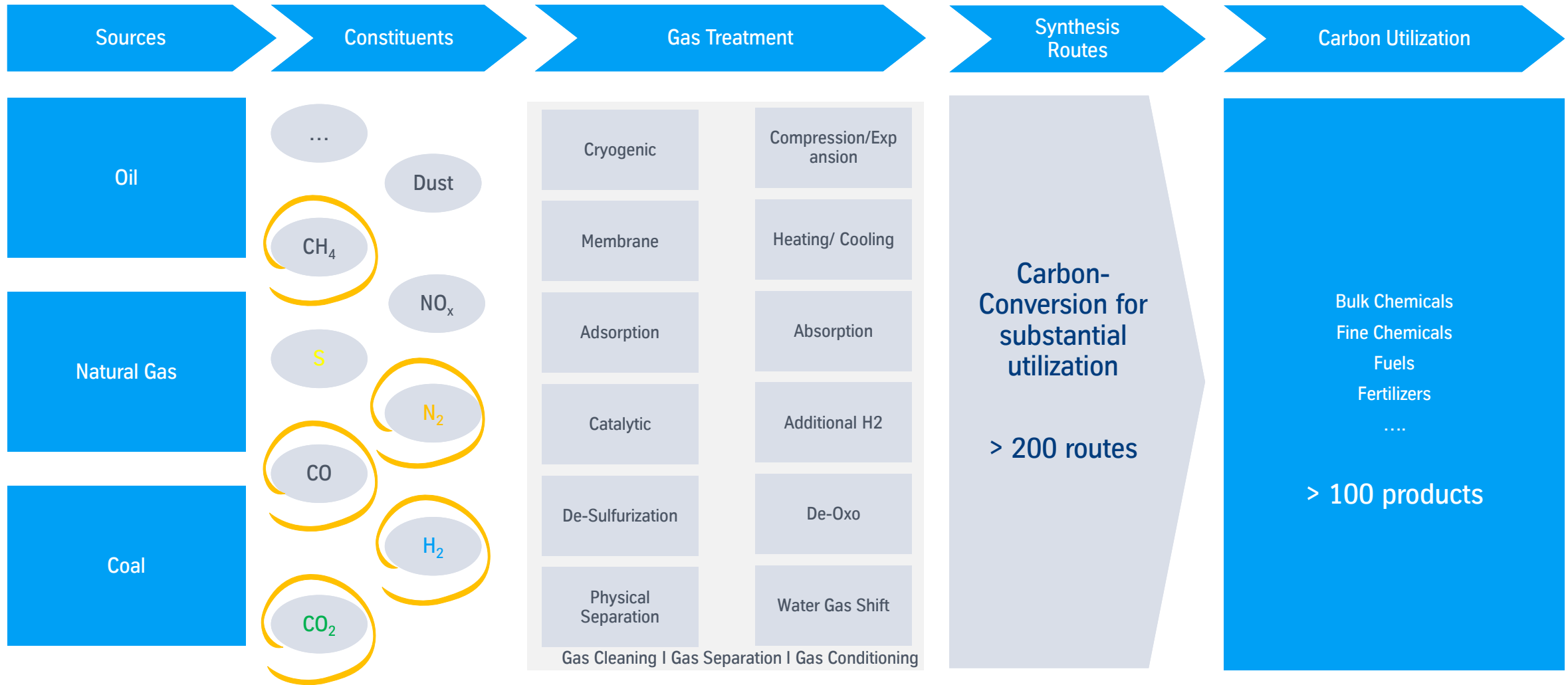
- Carbon in process gases is still available for CCU in suitable amounts, because carbon is needed in metallurgical process
- Composition attractive for chemical synthesis: high CO content
- Can be combined with biogenic / recycled carbon as feedstock
- Carbon2Chem provides solution for hard-to-abate residual emissions and for long-term, regional access to sustainable feedstock for chemical industry



# Carbon2Chem approach is inspired by nature: Bring Carbon in the loop powered by renewable electricity and Hydrogen



# First Question: Is there a technical approach to utilize CO<sub>2</sub> ?



## Second Question: Is there a product at the end of the process ?



Methanol



Polymere



Urea



Ethanol



Ammoniak



Potential use for production of Base-Chemicals. Methanol downstream process



For industrial use high CO<sub>2</sub> concentrations and amounts are preferred



As fuel for ships and aviation





# Third Question: Is there a market need ?

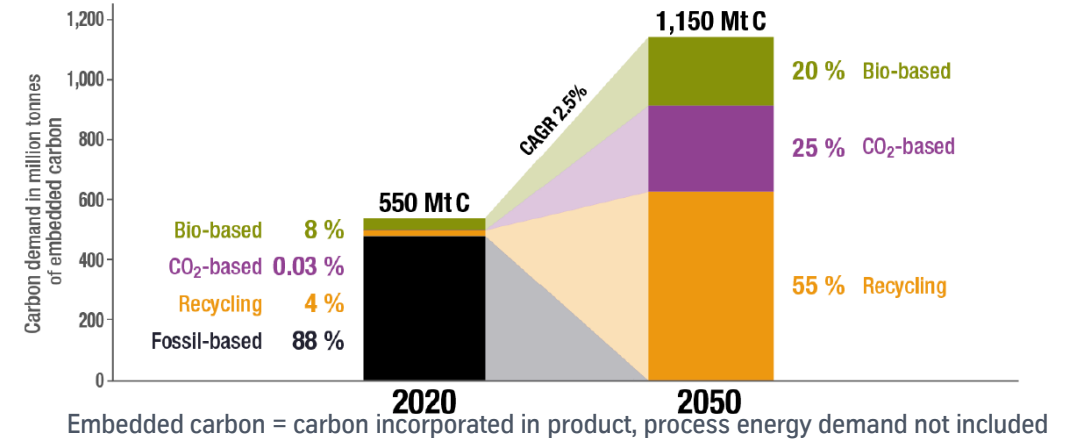
## Germany

~35-40 Mio. t



## Global

### Carbon Embedded in Chemicals and Derived Materials



available at [www.renewable-carbon.eu/graphics](http://www.renewable-carbon.eu/graphics)

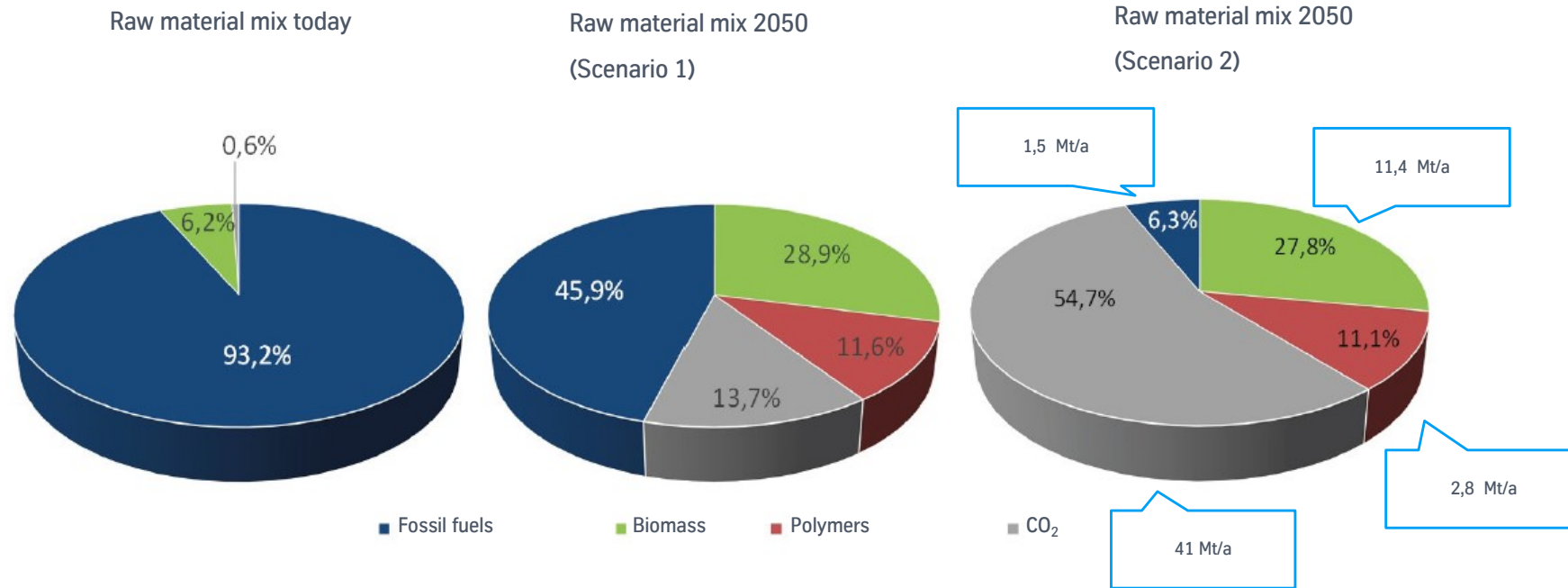
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- Carbon demand in chemical industry and for materials is growing globally, stays about the same in Germany

Sources: Roadmap Chemie 2050, dechema/VCI 2019; Kähler, F., Porc, O. and Carus, M. 2023. RCI Carbon Flows Report. Editor: Renewable Carbon Initiative, February 2023



# Carbon demand of chemical industry can be covered to large extend by CO<sub>2</sub>



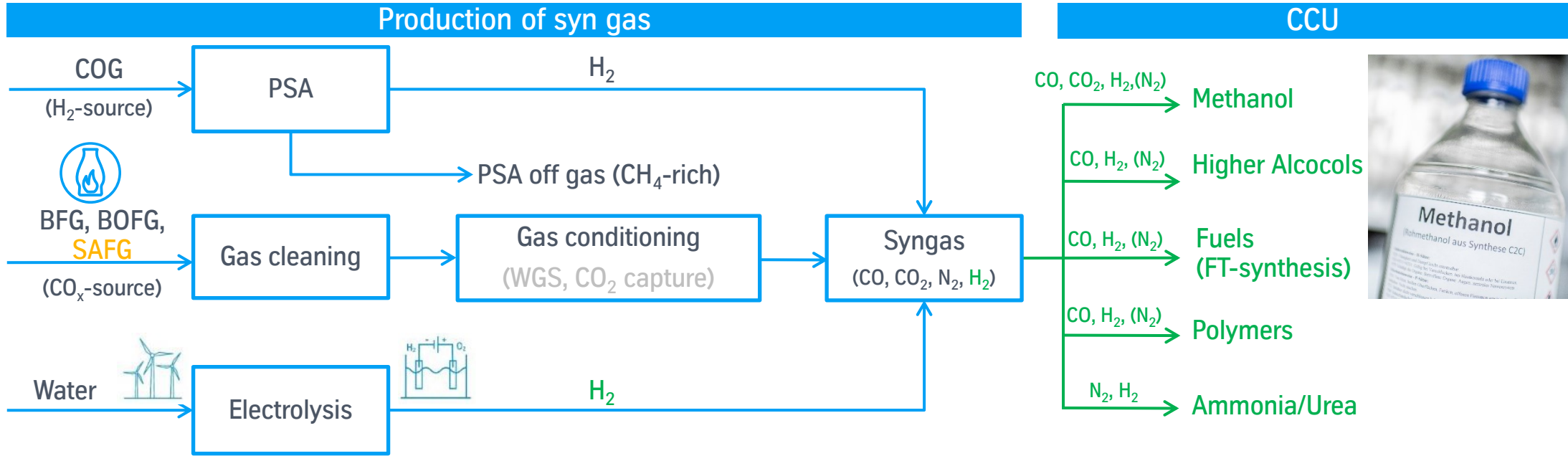
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- Today >80% fossil-based C-sources have to be substituted by renewable sources: no single source can meet demand
- Future share of CO<sub>2</sub> in differs varies in scenarios, but CO<sub>2</sub>-demand will be in Mt/a scale in Germany and three digit Mt/a globally

Sources: Roadmap Chemie 2050, dechema/VCI 2019; vom Berg, C. and Carus, M. et al. 2022: Renewable Carbon as a Guiding Principle for Sustainable Carbon Cycles. Editor: Renewable Carbon Initiative (RCI), 2022



# Gas treatment as central element for today's and tomorrow's steel mill gases

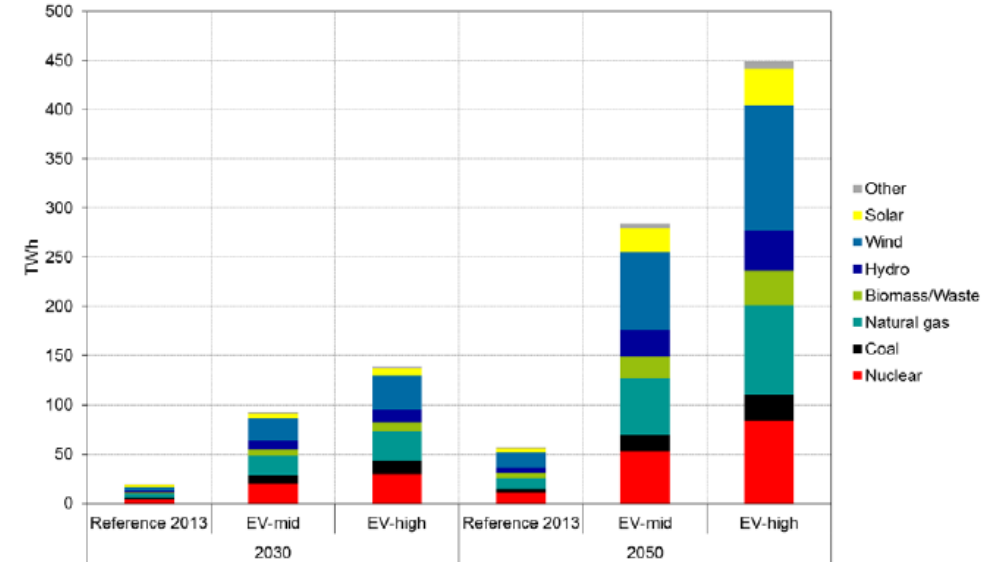
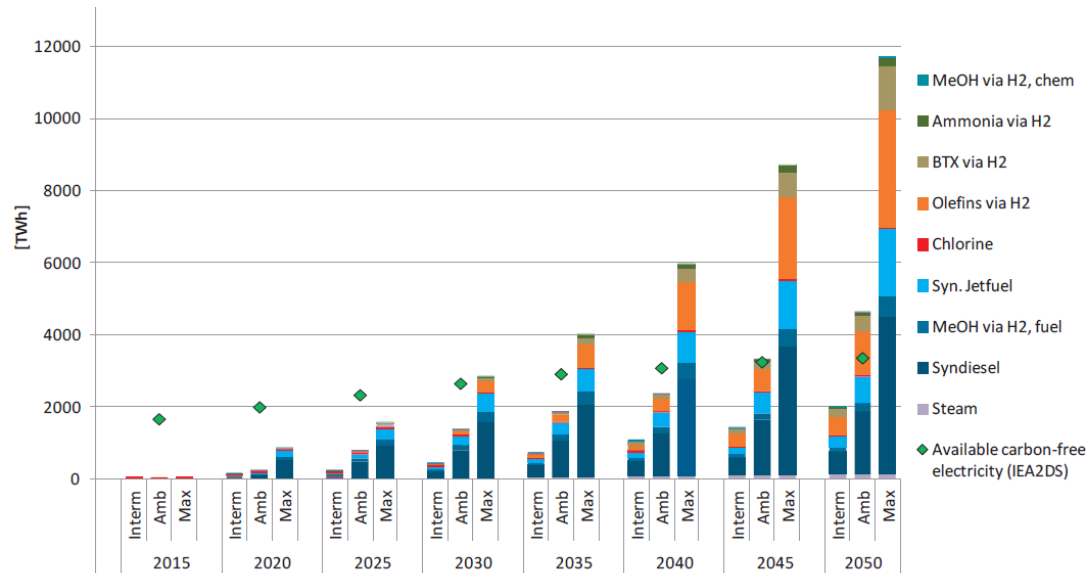


COG = coke oven gas  
 BFG = blast furnace gas  
 BOFG = basic oxygen furnace gas  
 SAFG = submerged arc furnace gas  
 PSA = Pressure swing adsorption





# Increasing energy demand due to electrification



Ökoinstitut, TNO, TML, Trinomics (2016) Electric mobility in Europe – Future impact on the emissions and the energy systems

500-850 TWh  
for 160 Mio. t steel



2000-12000 TWh



300-500 TWh



1,000 TWh

for cement in addition (~120 Mt of Clinker)



Steel



Chemistry



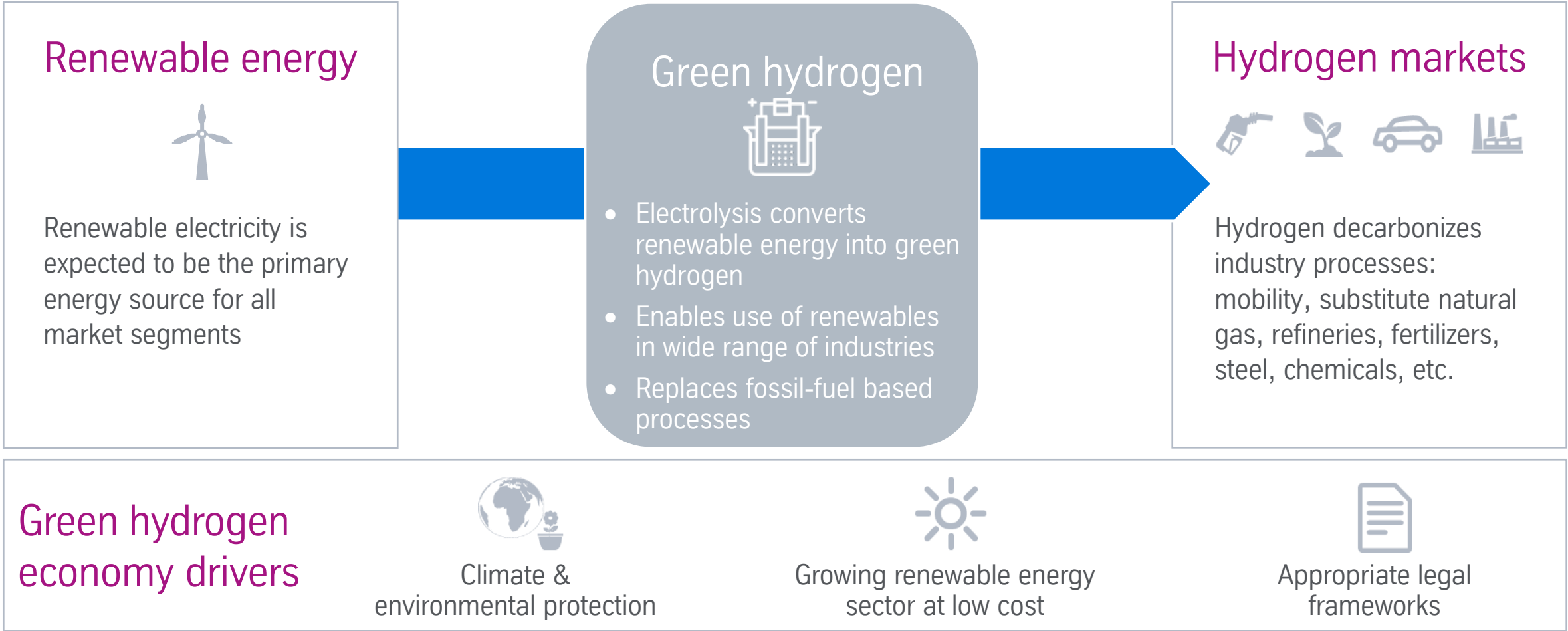
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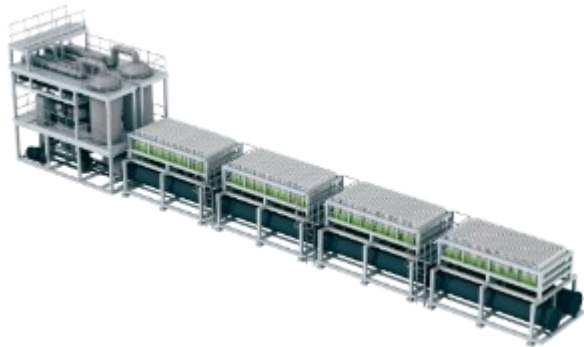
Buildings



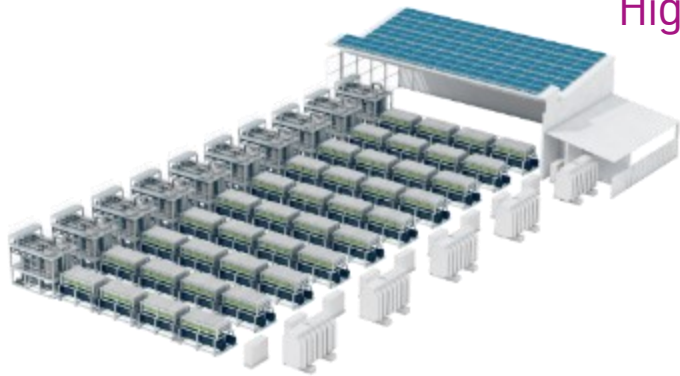
# Electrolysis connects the renewable energy sector with a wide range of industries and enables industry decarbonization



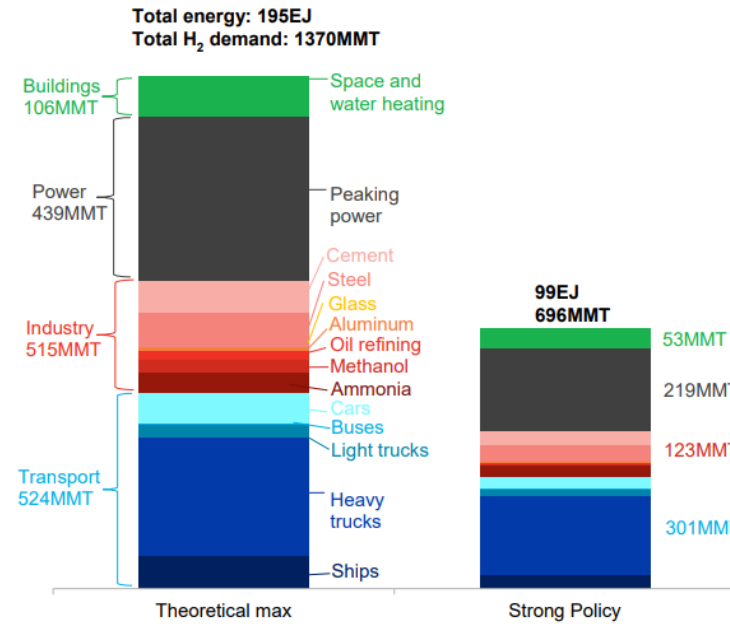
# Hydrogen demand will increase in all sectors



20 MW electrolyzer unit



Highly scalable GW plants



2050  
about  
**~5,500 GW**  
electrolysis  
...assuming 26,004 TWh at 80% market share of green H<sub>2</sub> at 75% energy efficiency and 5,000 full load hours of operation p.a.

## Europe:

- Total hydrogen demand in 2018: around 115 mio tons
- Electrolysis Capacity for 150-115 mio tons >600GW
- Total Electrical Energy demand 5750 TWh

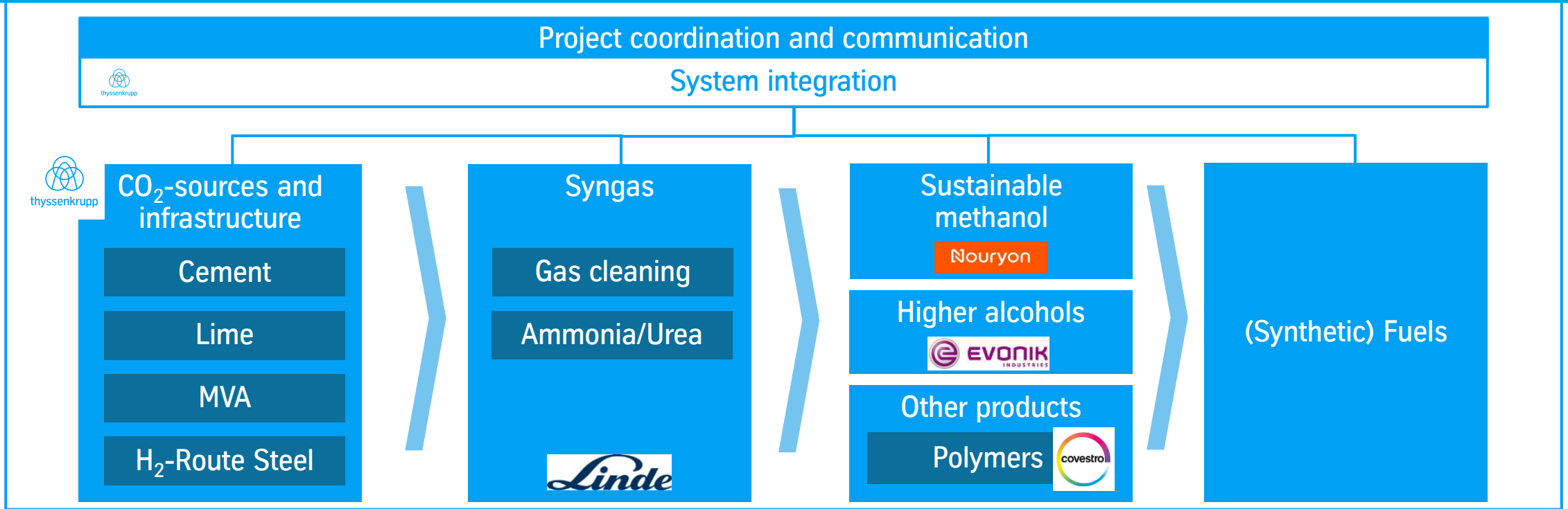
## Germany:

- Total hydrogen demand in 2050: around 9-18 mio tons
- Electrolysis Capacity for 18 mio tons >100GW
- Total Electrical Energy demand 900 TWh

Need for hydrogen import from regions with huge renewable energy



# Carbon2Chem®: Products in Cross-Industrial Network Aligned with Customers Needs



Main addressed markets (world markets)

(Synthetic) fuels 64.5 bn. EUR  
(2016)



Polymers 4,800.0 bn. EUR  
(2017)



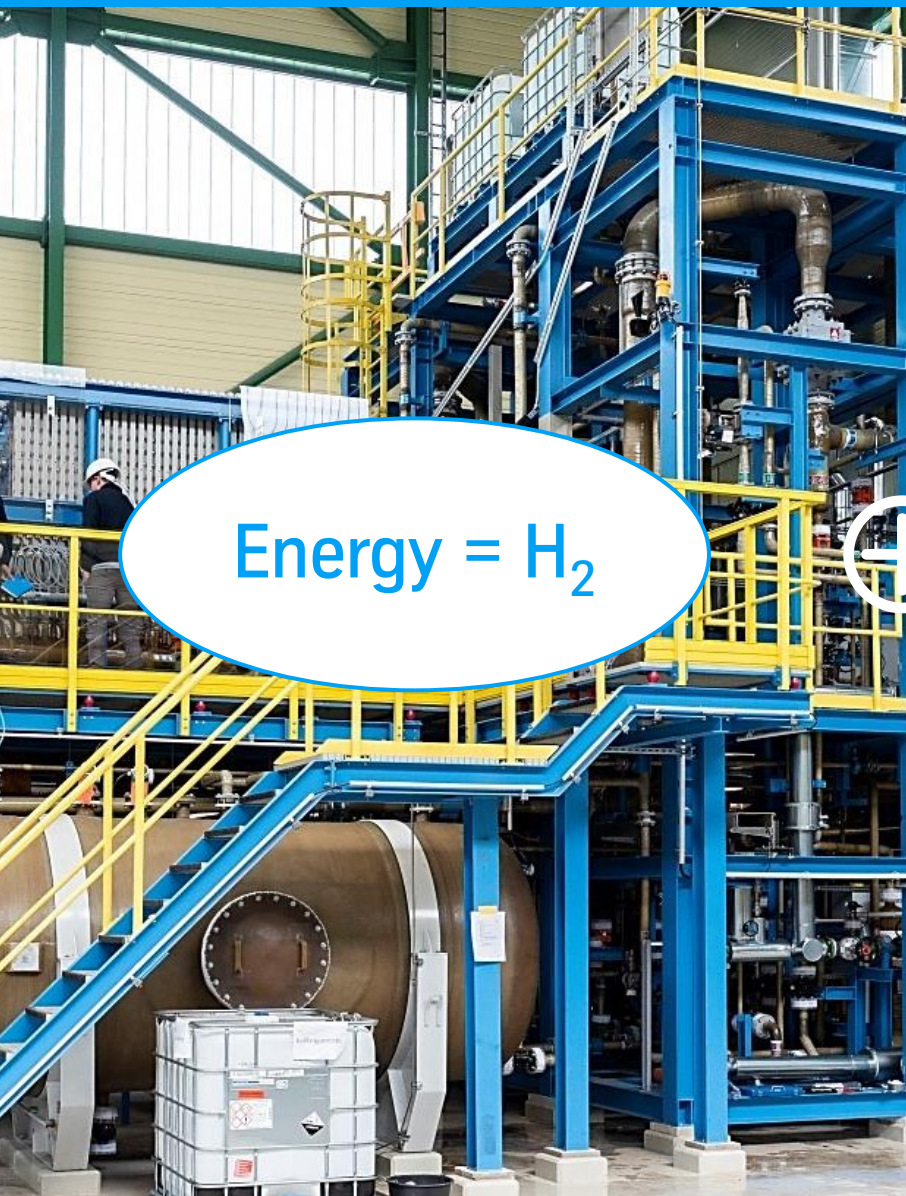
Fertilizer 140.0 bn. EUR  
(2019,exp.)



Carbon demand of Chemical and Petrochemical Industry in Germany: 56 mio t/a



# Carbon2Chem<sup>®</sup>: Feasibility proven with steel mill gases



Energy = H<sub>2</sub>



New Carbon sources = Syngas



Methanol



Ammonia

Water electrolysis

Gas cleaning



Thank you for your attention!

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