

Financing Green Hydrogen Projects in Iberia: case studies

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Smartenergy at a glance We invest sustainably by promoting renewable projects



Our capabilities & green portfolio

We cover the entire green energy project value chain for key technologies required by the energy transition

Extensive capabilities along the entire project value chain...



The basis for all we do: Renewable power

...to deliver large-scale clean energy technology assets

Challenges of Green H₂-projects to tackle



ARTENERGY Bridging the gap

1 Market risks	Integration: Invest in integrated RE + green H_2 projects to secure competitive power supply Partnering: E.g., with airlines to secure direct access to final markets
2 Regulatory	Focus: Target segments with clear regulatory business case (SAF)
risks	Cooperation: Long-term offtake agreements
³ Financing	Cooperation: Strategic Partnering with best technology OEMs incl. co-investing
access	Innovation finance: Equity GreenH2 vehicle, Debt/Convertibles with smart public support
4 Value chain	De-risking: Captive projects with synchronized up-, mid- and downstream asset development
4 complexity	Experience: >7 GW of renewable energy projects built globally

GreenH₂ is not yet a mature asset class with consequences on financing structures





Key development criteria to enable equity and debt investment



Iberian case studies Ceramics e-Fuels

Orange.bat

Backing the decarbonization of the Ceramic Cluster in Castellón by replacing Natural Gas (fossil fuels) with Green Hydrogen

IBERIA – Abundant Solar and On-shore Wind translate into competitive Green Hydrogen





Ceramic sector: requires of clean high-grade heat and low possibilities of electrification alternatives.

- Localitation: high geographic concentration of the industry in the province of Castellón (94%)
- The business figures (2019)



Environmental impact: (data of 2019) 16,000 GWh NG consumption CO₂ 3,2 Mtons of CO2 (3% of the whole Spain)

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Example: Hard-to-abate Industries – replacing Natural gas (NG) with Green hydrogen



eSAF Green Valleys Portugal

Green H2 to decarbonize the industry and value biogenic CO_2 in Sustainable Aviation Fuels



Note: Increasing load factor of production from 35% to 55% (from 2030 onwards)



Leça H2 Green Valley

Context and scope

- REN Gasodutos owns concession to operate the existing natural gas pipeline that connects Quereledo (JCT 4120) to Perafita (DP 4148), which served the former Matosinhos refinery, and is suitable for repurposing to 100% H_2
- This being potentially the first repurposing of gas assets into a pure hydrogen gas pipeline, linking green H2 producers with industrial consumers in the area.
- Repurposed pipeline is a cost efficient enabler for Smartenergy*/Lipor project and potentially for other production and consumption projects in the region, ensuring conditions for a competitive green H₂ market development

Smartenergy analyzed different structuring and location scenarios of a potential project, embodied in the materialization of a Hydrogen Production Plant (H₂PP) and a Derivative Synthetic Fuels Production Unit (eFuels), considering:

- Proximity of the H₂PP to the REN gas pipeline, in particular to the Quereledo JCT
- Proximity to sources of necessary raw materials water, renewable energy and biogenic CO₂
- Proximity to potential consumers local industry and, in the case of eFuels, Port of Leixões and Sá Carneiro Airport
- Proximity to product transport & distribution infrastructures Port of Leixões, Gas Pipeline Quereledo – Perafita, and existing Natural Gas distribution network



LIPOR II (one of the largest producers of biogenic CO_2 in Portugal) as the main supplier of the CO_2 , a critical factor for SAF production **CCU** enables circular economy, while decarbonizing heavy-duty and long-haul mobility (maritime; aviation)

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