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**Green Hydrogen:
The Rise of Green Molecules!**
Innovative Financial Model Toolkit for
Analyzing Levelized Costs (LCOH & LCOA)

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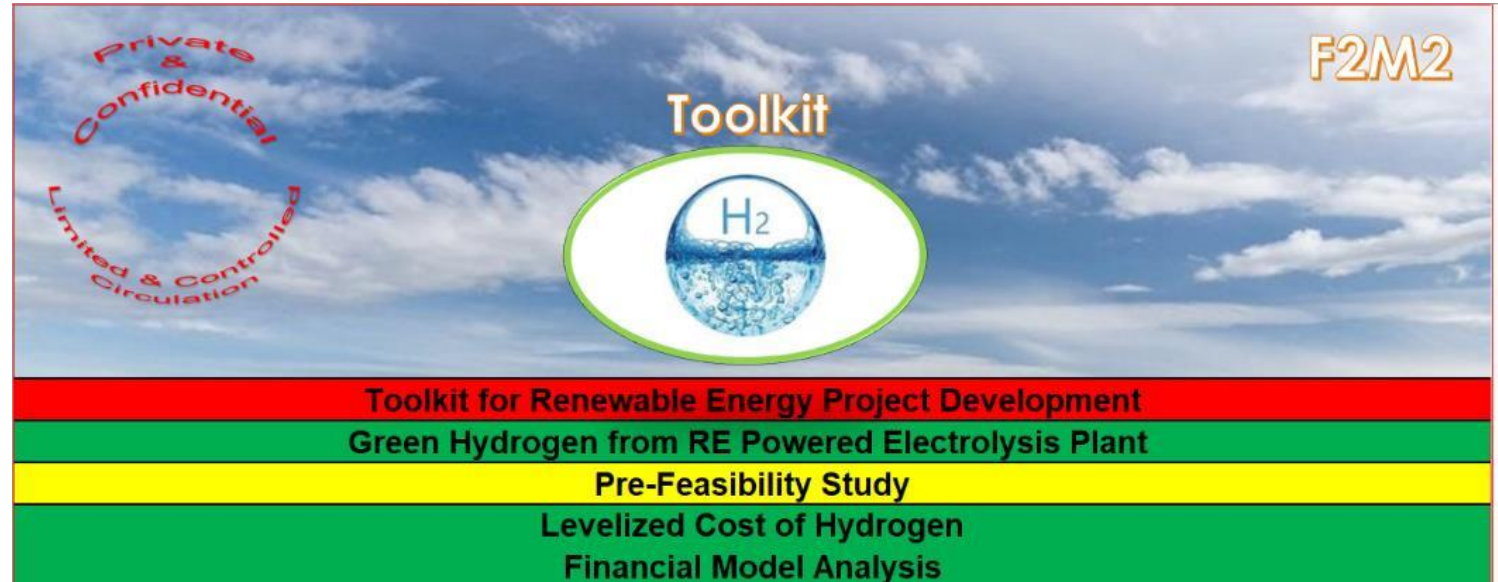
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The banner features a blue sky background with clouds. On the left, a red circular stamp reads "Private & Confidential Limited & Controlled Circulation". In the center, the word "Toolkit" is written in orange, above a blue globe with "H₂" and water bubbles. On the right, "F2M2" is written in orange. Below the sky are four horizontal bars: red, green, yellow, and green. The text on these bars reads: "Toolkit for Renewable Energy Project Development", "Green Hydrogen from RE Powered Electrolysis Plant", "Pre-Feasibility Study", and "Levelized Cost of Hydrogen Financial Model Analysis".

Introduction

- ▶ In the Global Energy Transition context and decarbonization, all hands must be on deck!
- ▶ There is no magic quick fix or silver bullet solution. It is a collaborative effort across all stakeholders and industries.
- ▶ A double win can be achieved: accelerated energy transition driven by sustainable economic recovery.
- ▶ An important element of this double win is Green Hydrogen, i.e. hydrogen produced from electrolyzers powered by renewable energy resources.
- ▶ Hydrogen is a versatile energy carrier with a wide range of uses and unique attributes, especially for energy sectors that are hard to electrify with renewable resources but can be made greener through sector coupling.
- ▶ So, if Green Hydrogen is technically a key enabler of decarbonization, then the next step or barrier to break is economics.
- ▶ This translates to: how much does Green Hydrogen cost to produce and how to calculate that as well as analyze pathways of cost reduction?
- ▶ A financial model toolkit for analyzing levelized cost of Hydrogen becomes necessary.

Background & Context: Why Hydrogen ?

Net Zero by 2050 – IEA Scenario - Role of Hydrogen & Its Derivatives

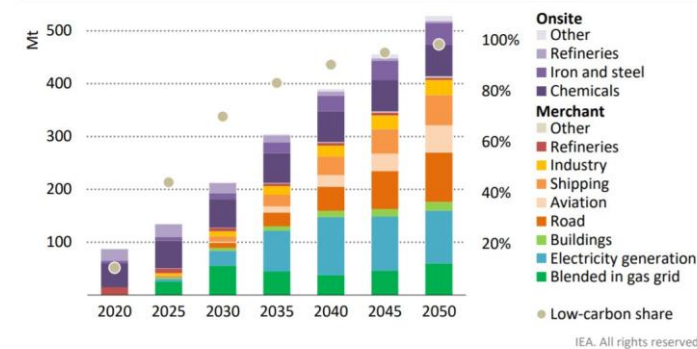
Hydrogen Demand

- H_2 & its derivative should meet 13% of final energy use in 2050
- 2020 demand is around 90 Mt per annum
- 2050 demand forecast is around 528 Mt per annum
- Majority of Future demand is heavy transport, H_2 derivative fuel for shipping & aviation, & flexible power generation
- H_2 and NH_3 could meet 60% of energy demand in shipping
- Synthetic fuels could meet third of energy demand in aviation

Hydrogen Supply

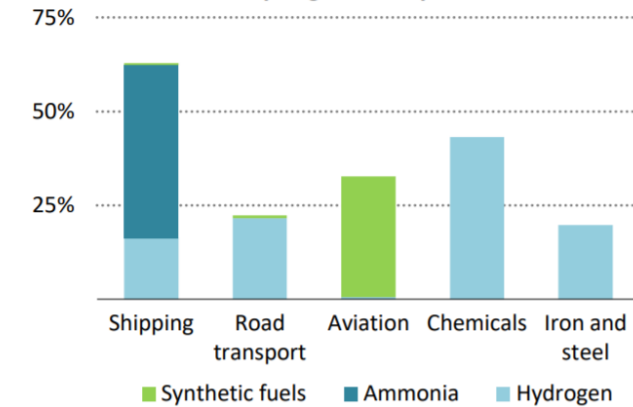
- Decarbonizing fossil based H_2 is vital
- Low carbon based H_2 supply will increase from today till 2050
- Electricity based H_2 represents 62% of supply by 2050
- Electrolysis capacity should reach 850 GW by 2030
- Electrolysis capacity should reach 3000 GW by 2045
- Scaling up & innovation are critical for electrolysis cost reduction

Figure 2.19 ▶ Global hydrogen and hydrogen-based fuel use in the NZE



The initial focus for hydrogen is to convert existing uses to low-carbon hydrogen; hydrogen and hydrogen-based fuels then expand across all end-uses

Share of hydrogen fuels by sector in 2050



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Hydrogen production

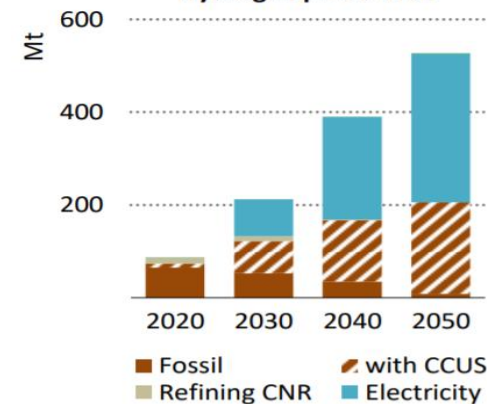


Table 2.7 ▶ Key deployment milestones for hydrogen and hydrogen-based fuels

Sector	2020	2030	2050
Total production hydrogen-based fuels (Mt)	87	212	528
Low-carbon hydrogen production	9	150	520
share of fossil-based with CCUS	95%	46%	38%
share of electrolysis-based	5%	54%	62%
Merchant production	15	127	414
Onsite production	73	85	114
Total consumption hydrogen-based fuels (Mt)	87	212	528
Electricity	0	52	102
of which hydrogen	0	43	88
of which ammonia	0	8	13
Refineries	36	25	8
Buildings and agriculture	0	17	23
Transport	0	25	207
of which hydrogen	0	11	106
of which ammonia	0	5	56
of which synthetic fuels	0	8	44
Industry	51	93	187

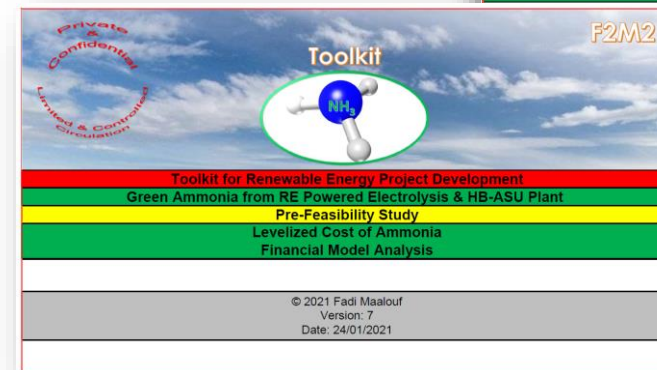
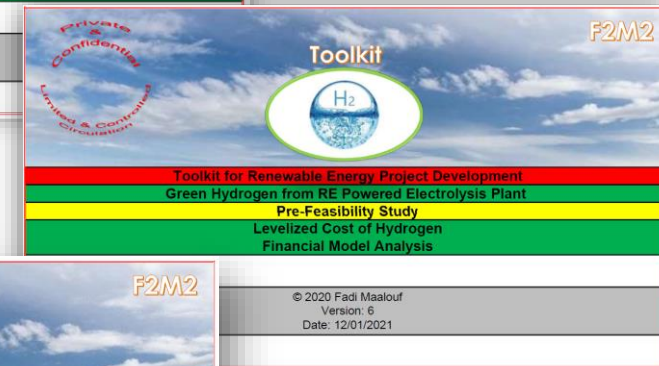
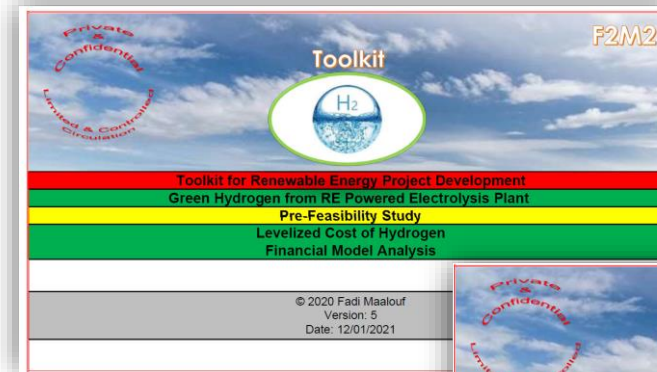
Note: Hydrogen-based fuels are reported in million tonnes of hydrogen required to produce them.

Toolkits Versions

Levelized Cost of Green Hydrogen LCOH & Green Ammonia LCOA

Three Versions:

- *LCOH Financial Model Toolkit V5*
Green H₂ Production
- *LCOH Financial Model Toolkit V6*
Green H₂ Production & Delivery Infra Pathways
- *LCOA Financial Model Toolkit V7*
Green NH₃ Production & Storage



Three versions Modular approach to:

- *Verify costs at each stage of the process*
- *Identify cost optimization priorities & opportunities*

Toolkits Features

Levelized Cost of Green Hydrogen LCOH & Green Ammonia LCOA

Features:

- *Get exclusive market analysis and benchmarking data about the Levelized Cost of Green Hydrogen and Green Ammonia.*
- *Obtain the best of all worlds assembled from over 50 best in class models for LCOH/LCOA in the market.*
- *A quick yet very effective holistic approach methodology to determine levelized costs of green molecules.*
- *Capture all life cycle costs and assess project feasibility.*
- *A detailed analytical dive into optimizing costs as well as performance parameters.*
- *Utilize powerful and comprehensive sensitivity analysis scenarios.*
- *User-friendly design with guideline, rich visuals & charts, printable 16-page report.*
- *A free Software as a Service (SaaS) basis for Dii network members and partners.*
- *Native model toolkits files (xls) are available as commercial product.*
- *Download sample pdf reports at: www.dii-desertenergy.org*



Toolkits Features

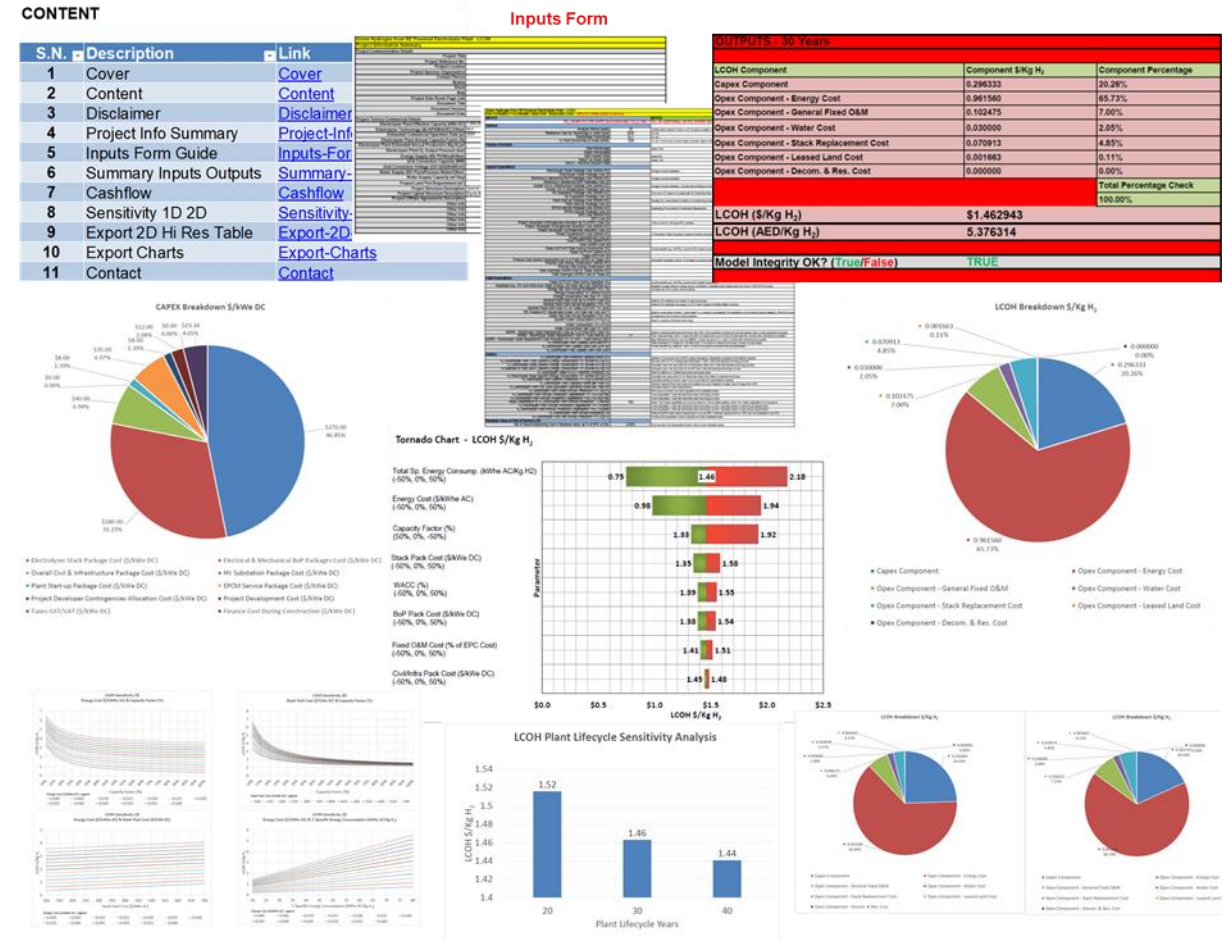
Levelized Cost of Green Hydrogen LCOH & Green Ammonia LCOA

Financial Model Toolkit Features: Zoom In!

- Very Well-Structured Content & Workflow
- Project Information Data Capturing Full Scope of Work & Limits
- Detailed Input Parameters Form with Guideline Notes
- Tabular LCOH/LCOA Outputs
- Breakdown CAPEX & LCOH/LCOA Output Charts
- Up to 16 Parameters Sensitivity Tornado Chart
- Up to 8 Two-Dimensional Sensitivity Charts
- Multi-Lifecycle Analysis Chart
- Export Data/Charts Feature
- GIS Interface Feature

Sample Case Studies Forecast for GWe Scale Plants LCOH/LCOA in 2025

- Morocco Green Hydrogen (PV+Wind) LCOH: < \$1.6//Kg H₂
- Oman Green Ammonia (PV+Wind) LCOA: < \$475/ tNH₃
- UAE Green Hydrogen (PV) LCOH: < \$2.1//Kg H₂
- KSA Green Ammonia (PV+Wind) LCOA: < \$450/ tNH₃



How Does It Work? V5

- ▶ The financial model toolkit is a discounted cashflow model coupled with visual representation in charts and graphs, and analytical features of one- and two-dimensional sensitivity analysis.
- ▶ Basically, the toolkit is a calculation engine that feeds on user supplied input parameters and provides calculated outputs of LCOH in \$/Kg H₂ plus plenty of charts for easier analytical what-If-scenarios representation.
- ▶ To run the model and provide a report, the user (desktop researcher) provides Dii with the required “input parameters”.
- ▶ This is a two-page Inputs Form that covers the attributes of Green Hydrogen/Ammonia . Dii runs the model and provides a report. Service Done!

Toolkit Content V5

- ▶ The financial model toolkit is an XLS file with 11 sheets.
- ▶ The integrity of the toolkit structure and calculation engine is secured and protected against unintended formulae edits.
- ▶ A content sheet provides quick navigation hyperlinks to all sheets.
- ▶ By providing a list of input parameters, a model run will generate a 14-page pdf report.

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7	Cashflow	Cashflow
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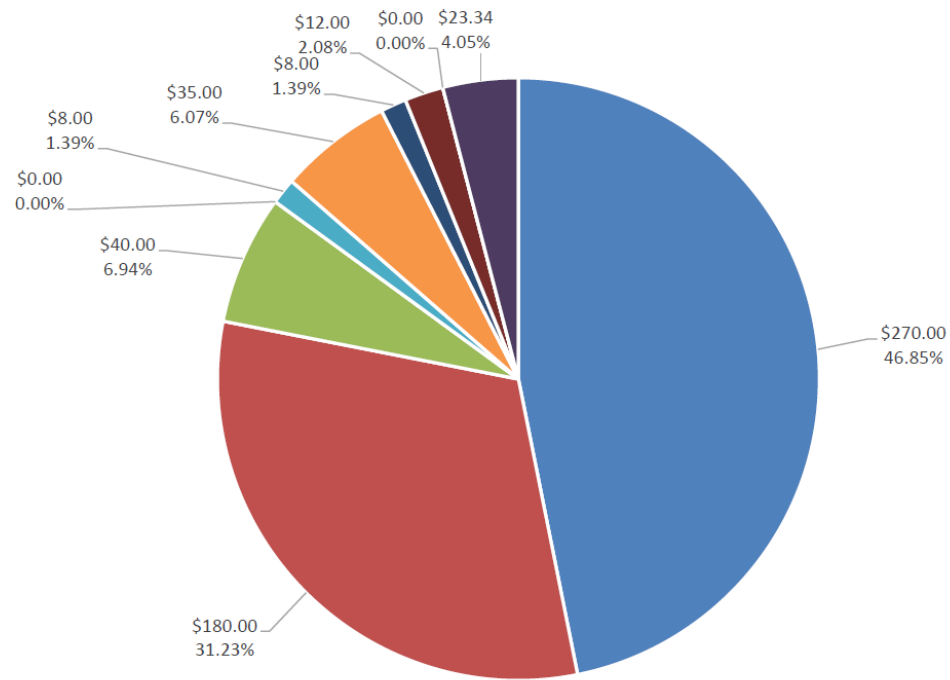
Toolkit Direct Outputs V5

- ▶ The toolkit direct outputs are in three categories:
 1. Direct calculation outputs, LCOH baseline case
 2. CAPEX breakdown with chart
 3. LCOH breakdown chart

OUTPUTS - 30 Years		
LCOH Component	Component \$/Kg H ₂	Component Percentage
Capex Component	0.296333	20.26%
Opex Component - Energy Cost	0.961560	65.73%
Opex Component - General Fixed O&M	0.102475	7.00%
Opex Component - Water Cost	0.030000	2.05%
Opex Component - Stack Replacement Cost	0.070913	4.85%
Opex Component - Leased Land Cost	0.001663	0.11%
Opex Component - Decom. & Res. Cost	0.000000	0.00%
		Total Percentage Check
		100.00%
LCOH (\$/Kg H₂)	\$1.462943	
LCOH (AED/Kg H₂)	5.376314	
Model Integrity OK? (True/False)		
		TRUE

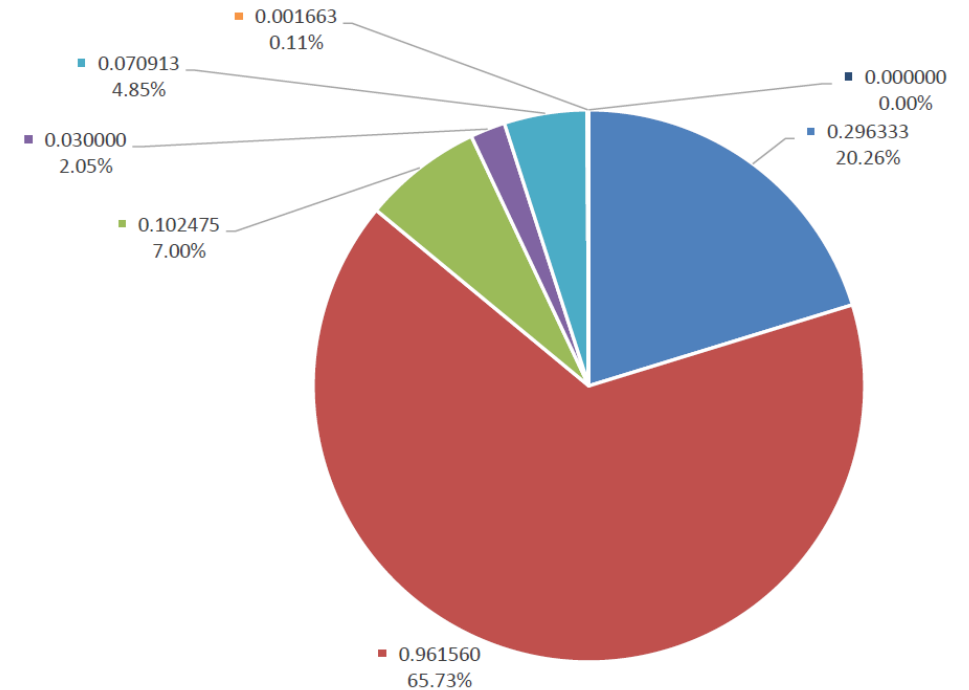
Toolkit Direct Outputs V5

CAPEX Breakdown \$/kWe DC



- Electrolyzer Stack Package Cost (\$/kWe DC)
- Overall Civil & Infrastructure Package Cost (\$/kWe DC)
- Plant Start-up Package Cost (\$/kWe DC)
- Project Developer Contingencies Allocation Cost (\$/kWe DC)
- Taxes GST/VAT (\$/kWe DC)
- Electrical & Mechanical BoP Packages Cost (\$/kWe DC)
- HV Substation Package Cost (\$/kWe DC)
- EPCM Service Package Cost (\$/kWe DC)
- Project Development Cost (\$/kWe DC)
- Finance Cost During Construction (\$/kWe DC)

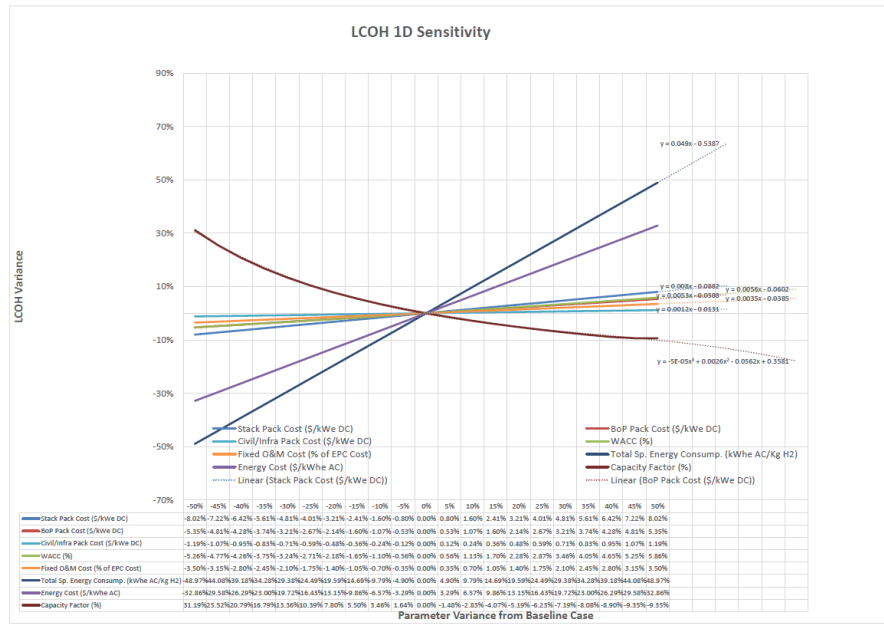
LCOH Breakdown \$/Kg H₂



- Capex Component
- Opex Component - General Fixed O&M
- Opex Component - Stack Replacement Cost
- Opex Component - Decom. & Res. Cost
- Opex Component - Energy Cost
- Opex Component - Water Cost
- Opex Component - Leased Land Cost

Toolkit Analytical Outputs V5

- Analytical what-if scenarios one-dimensional LCOH calculation outputs
 - Eight input parameters variances +/- 50%
 - Tornado chart



Tornado Chart - LCOH \$/Kg H₂

Total Sp. Energy Consump. (kWh AC/Kg H₂)
(-50%, 0%, 50%)

Energy Cost (\$/kWh AC)
(-50%, 0%, 50%)

Capacity Factor (%)
(50%, 0%, -50%)

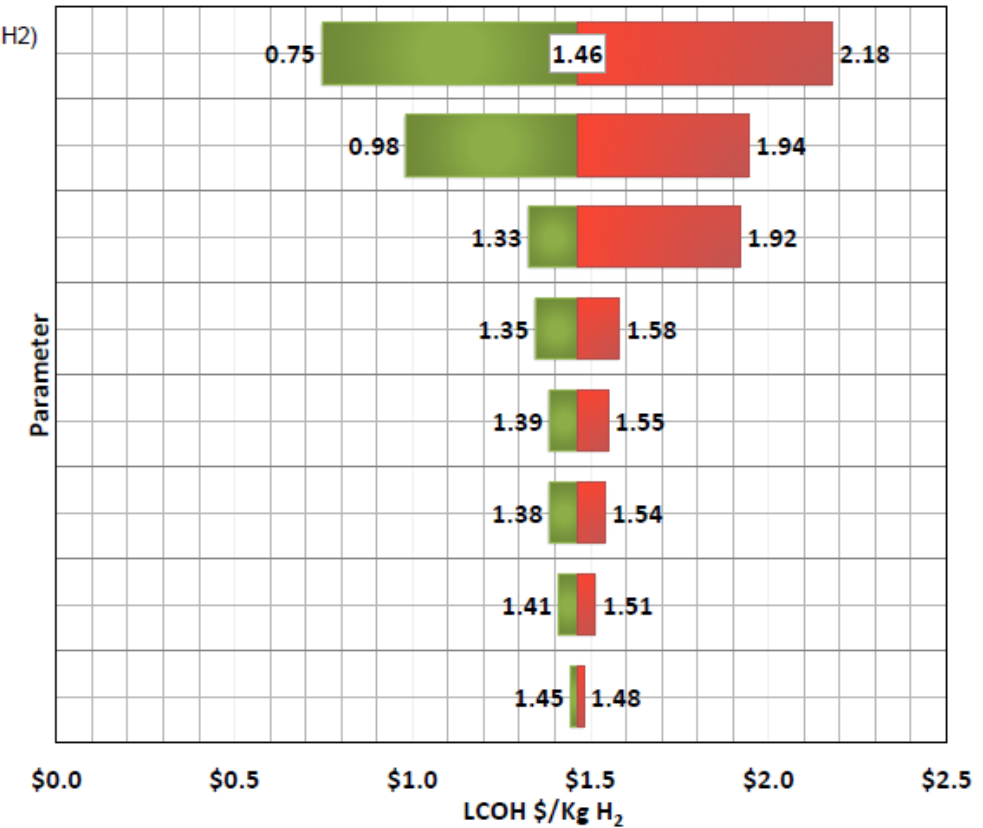
Stack Pack Cost (\$/kWe DC)
(-50%, 0%, 50%)

WACC (%)
(-50%, 0%, 50%)

BoP Pack Cost (\$/kWe DC)
(-50%, 0%, 50%)

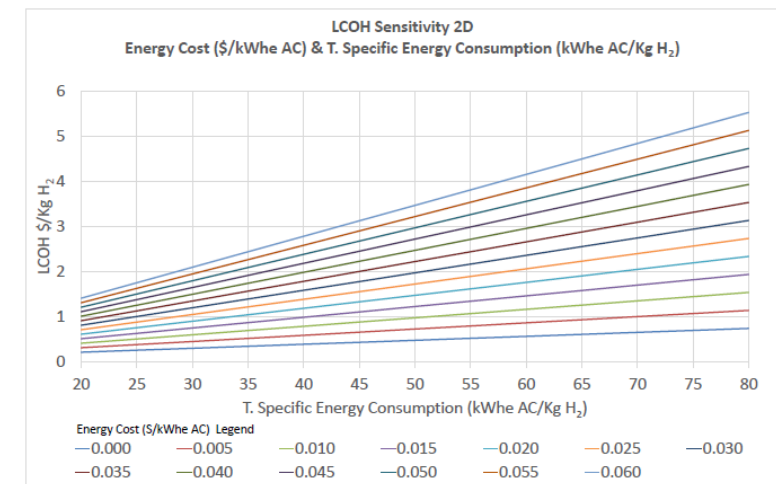
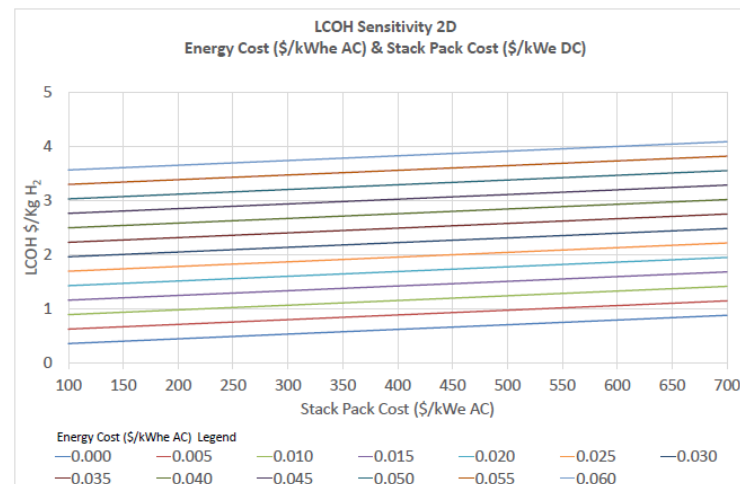
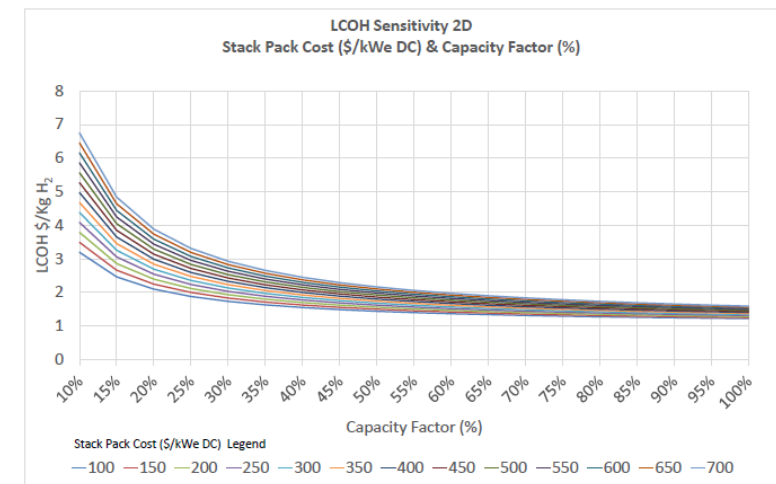
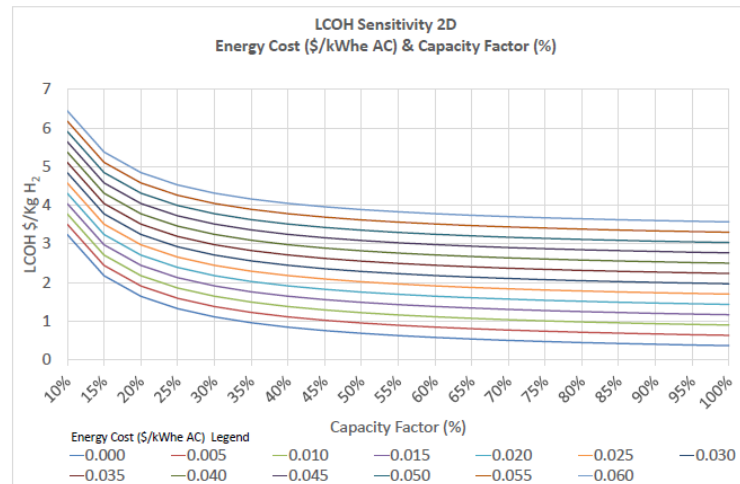
Fixed O&M Cost (% of EPC Cost)
(-50%, 0%, 50%)

Civil/Infra Pack Cost (\$/kWe DC)
(-50%, 0%, 50%)



Toolkit Analytical Outputs V5

- Analytical what-if scenarios
- two-dimensional LCOH calculation outputs



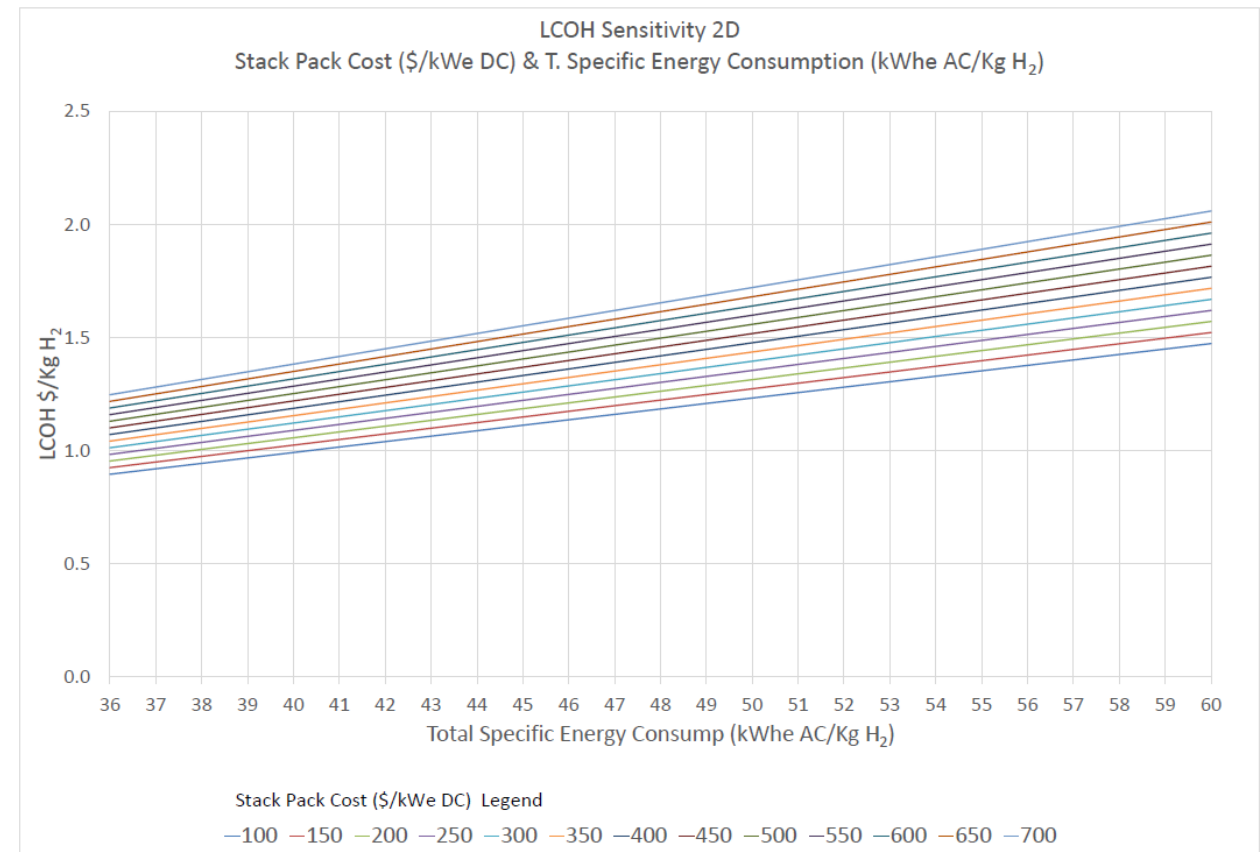
Toolkit Analytical Outputs V5

- ▶ Analytical what-if scenarios
- two-dimensional LCOH
- calculation outputs for
- Electrolyzer Development
- Roadmap (Eff. vs. Cost)

Electrolyzer Development Roadmap Analysis

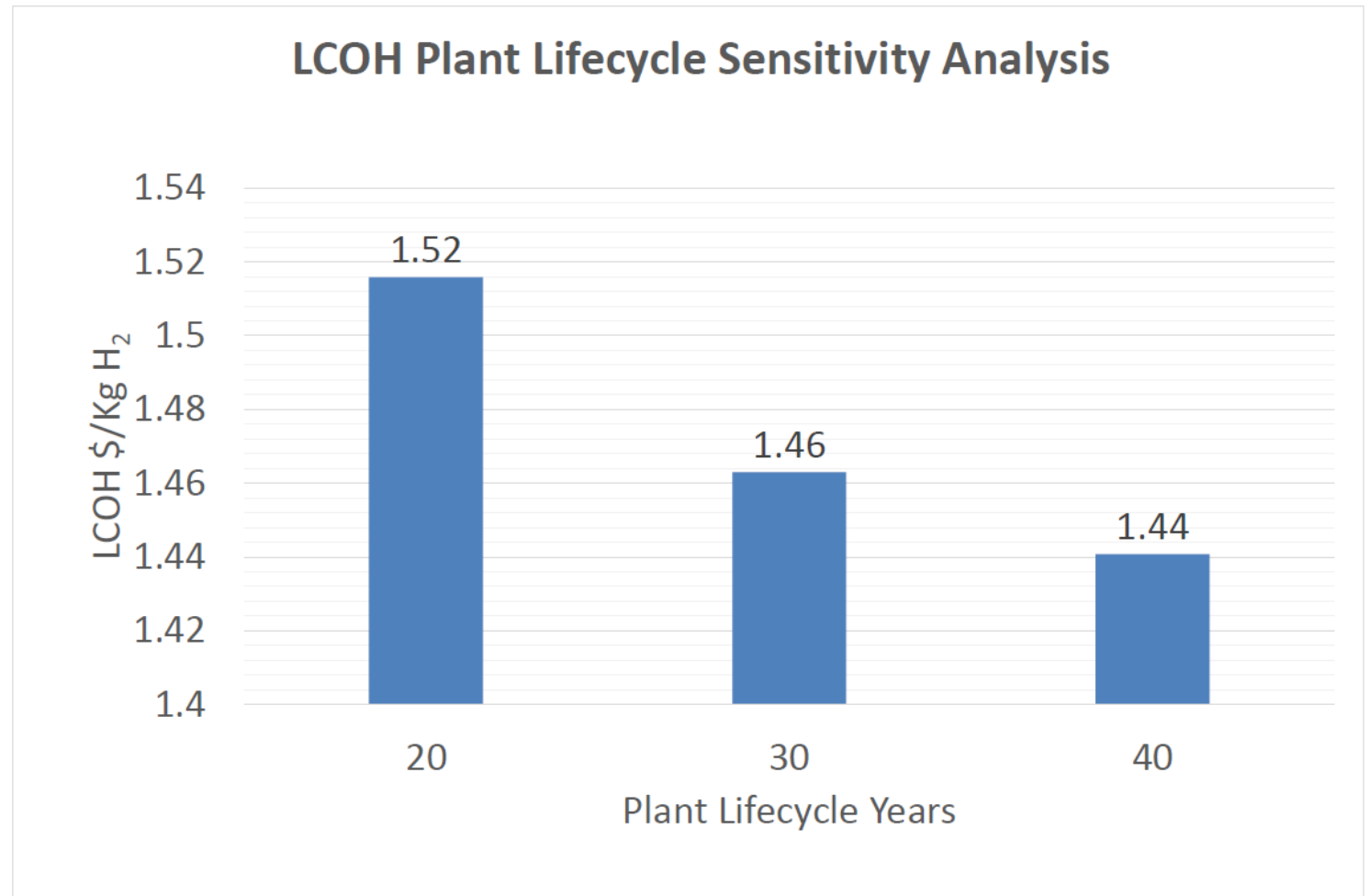
LCOH 2D Sensitivity for Efficiency and Cost

Electrolyzer Total Specific Energy Consumption kWh_e AC/Kg H₂ & Stack Pack Cost \$/kWe DC Impact on LCOH



Toolkit Analytical Outputs V5

- Impact of Plant Lifecycle on LCOH:
20 years vs. 30 years vs. 40 years

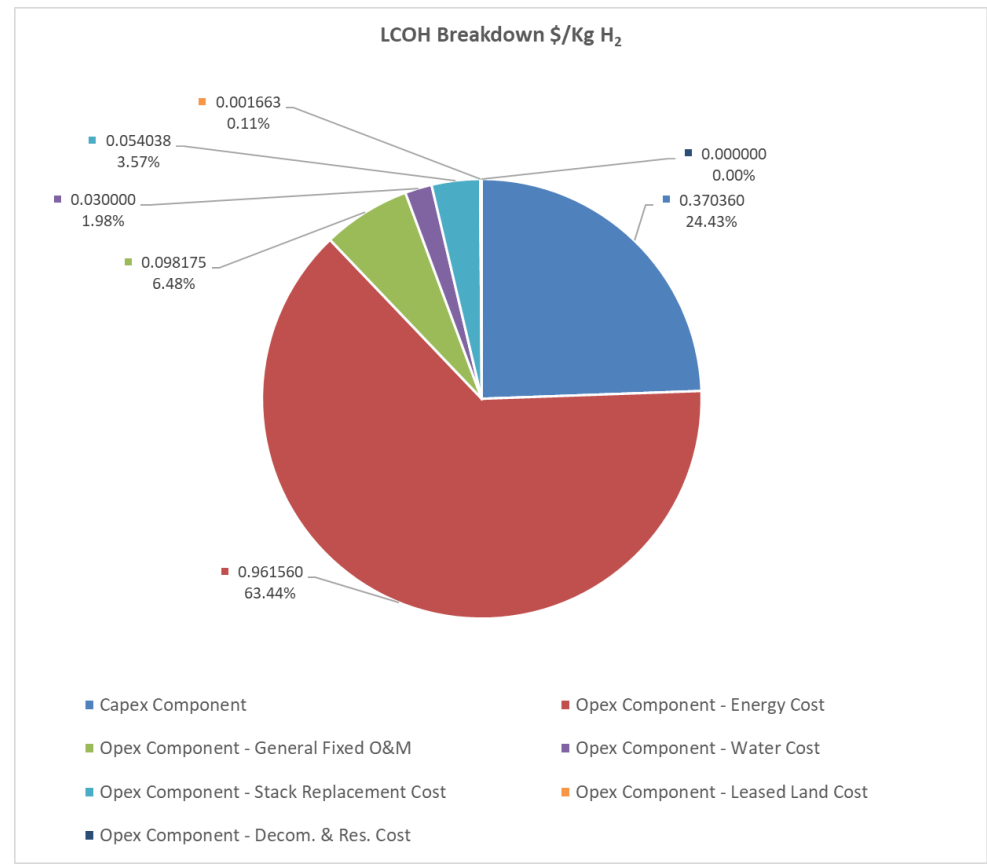


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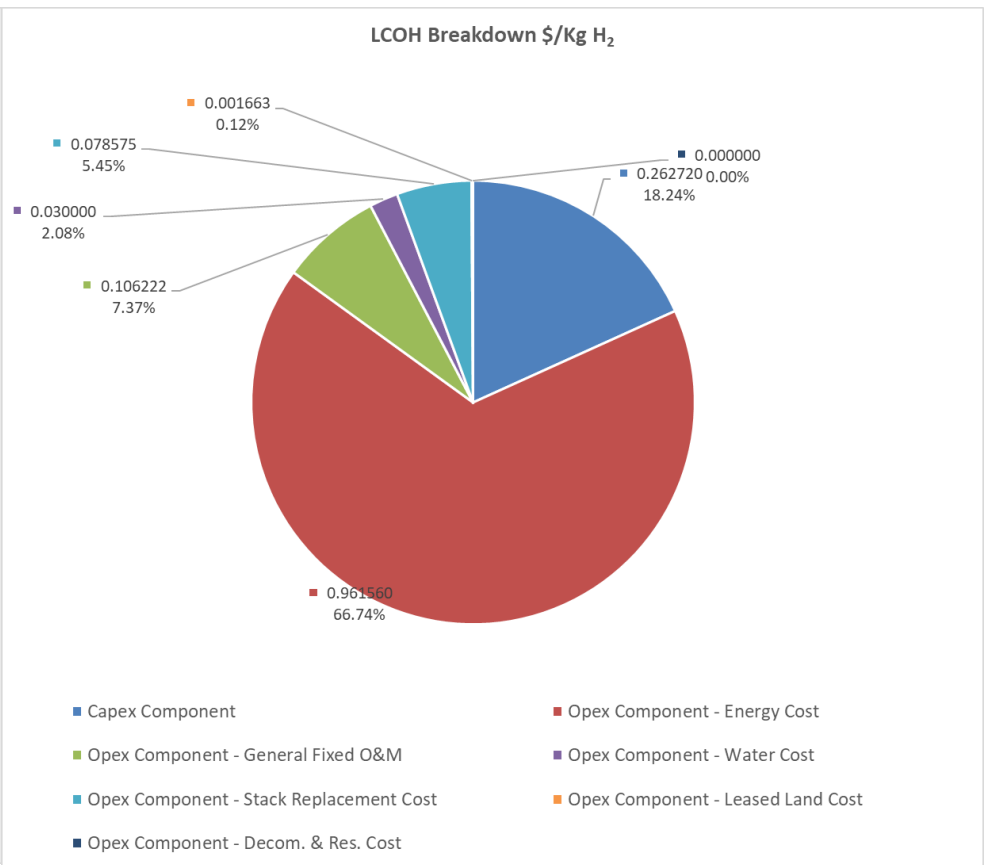
➔ Impact of
Plant
Lifecycle on
LCOH
Breakdown:

20 years
vs.
40 years

20 Years



40 Years

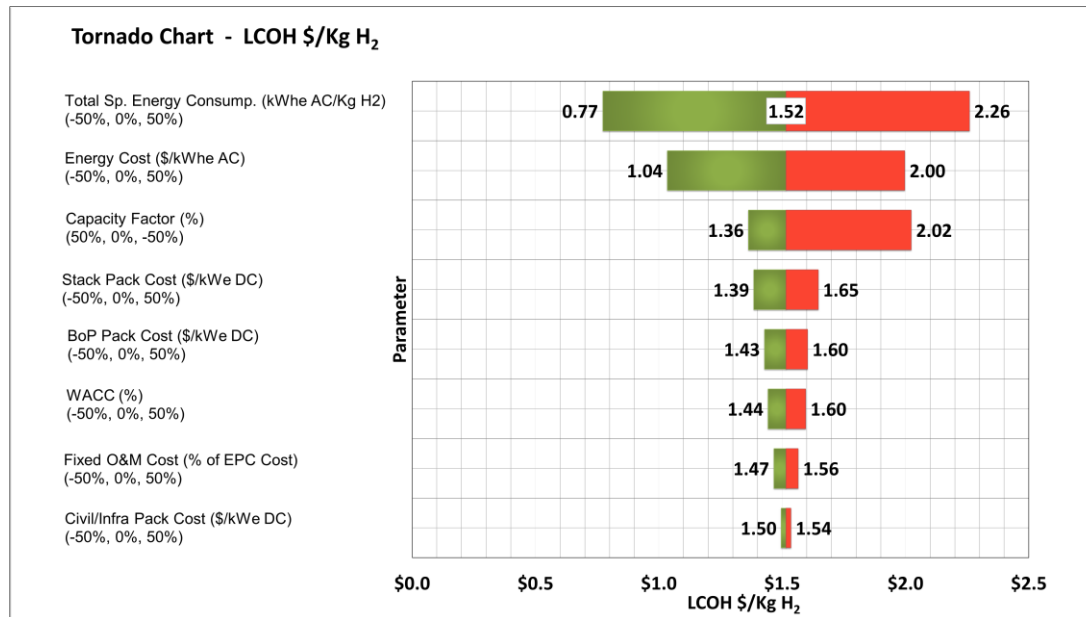


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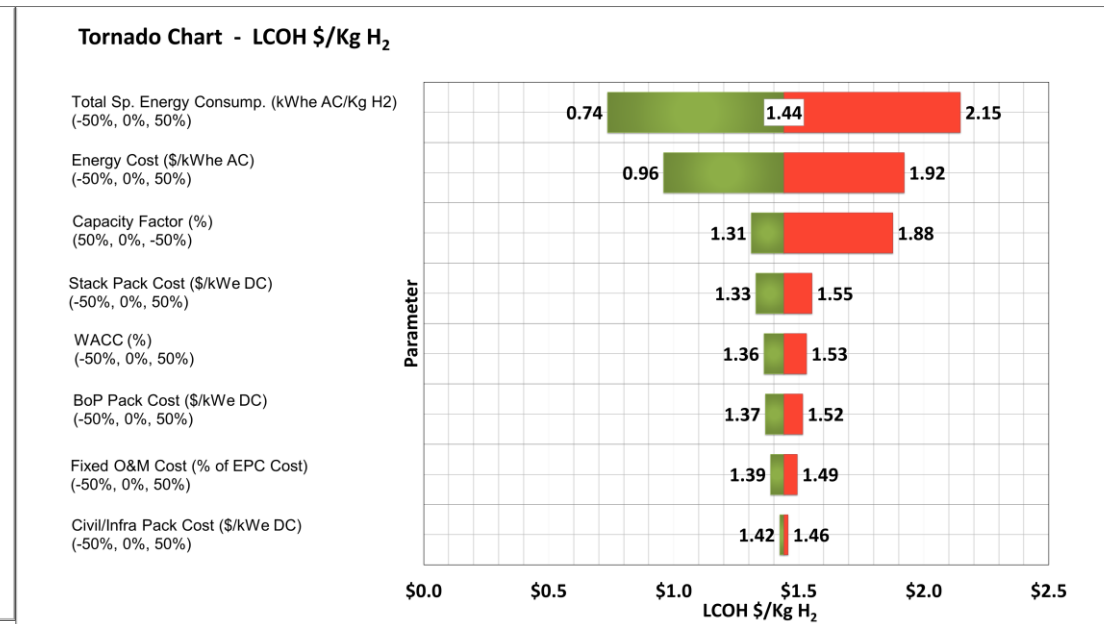
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Grey Ammonia vs Green Ammonia LCOA Case Study Toolkit V7

- Green Ammonia Levelized Cost:

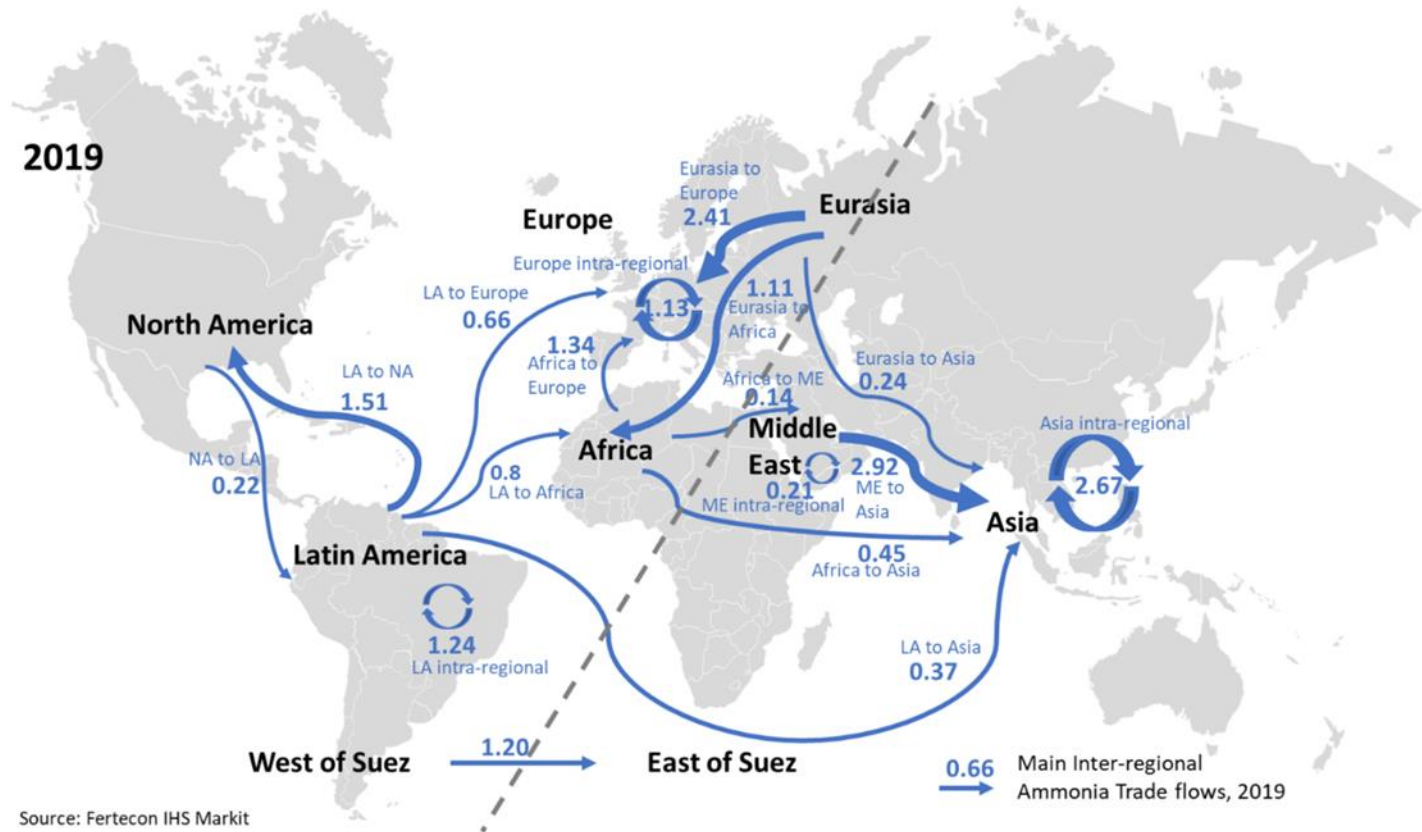
Is a Competitive Alternative to Volatile Grey Ammonia Markets ?

- Ammonia is a globally traded commodity
- Grey ammonia global historical prices review
- Green ammonia LCOA case study 2025

Green Ammonia Levelized Cost

Competitive Alternative to Volatile Grey Ammonia Markets

Grey Ammonia Global Trade Flow 2019



Map of global ammonia trade flows. Source Fertecon IHS Markit.

Green Ammonia Levelized Cost

Competitive Alternative to Volatile Grey Ammonia Markets

Grey Ammonia Price in China

One Year Period:
Sep-2020 to Sep 2021

Price Range:
\$450 to \$740/ton



Source: echemi

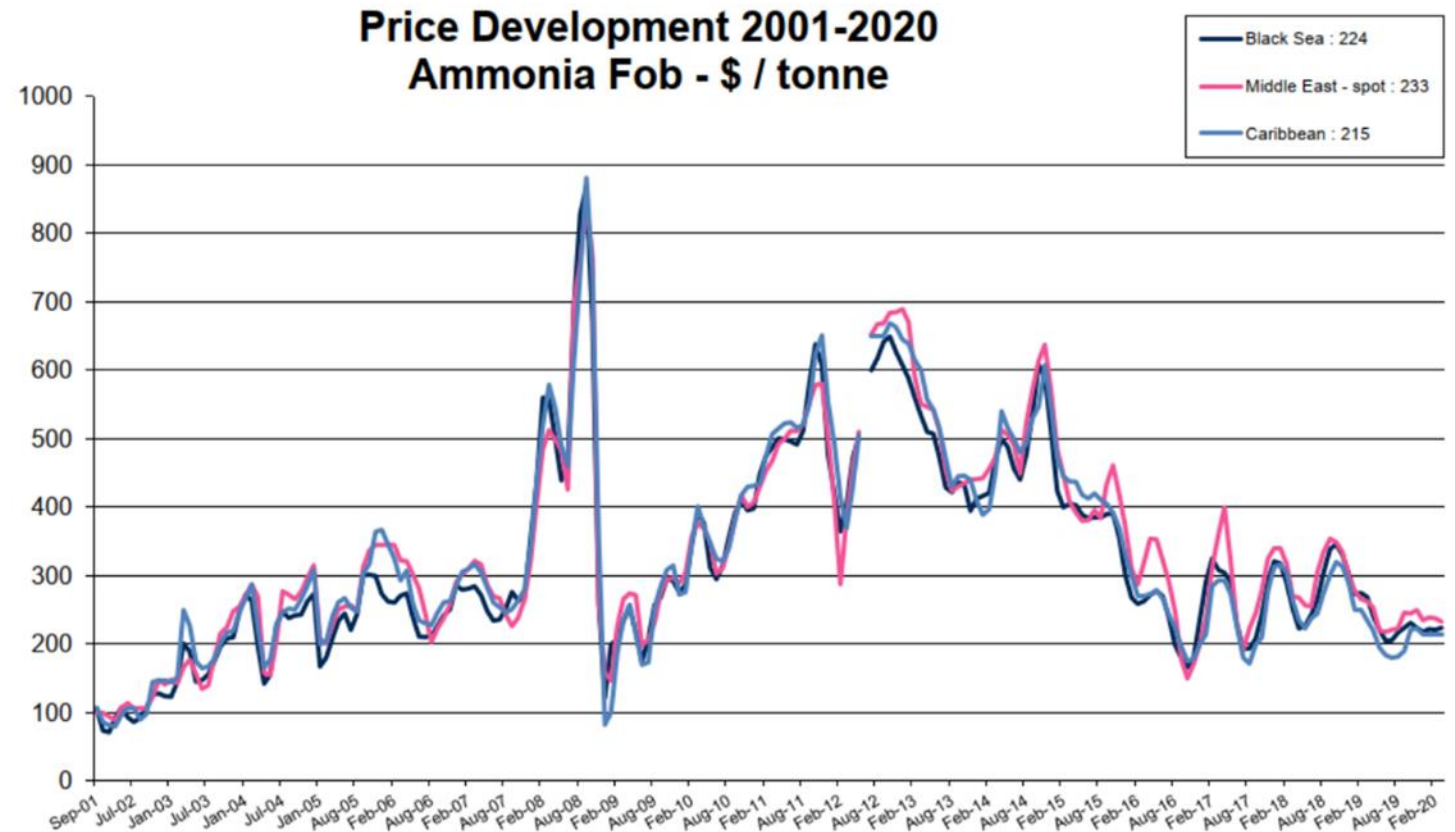
Green Ammonia Levelized Cost

Competitive Alternative to Volatile Grey Ammonia Markets

Grey Ammonia FOB Price in Middle East, Caribbean, Black Sea

20 Years Period:
Sep-2001 to Feb-2020

Price Range:
\$100 to \$850/ton



Ammonia price development. (Source: CRU - Fertilizer week)

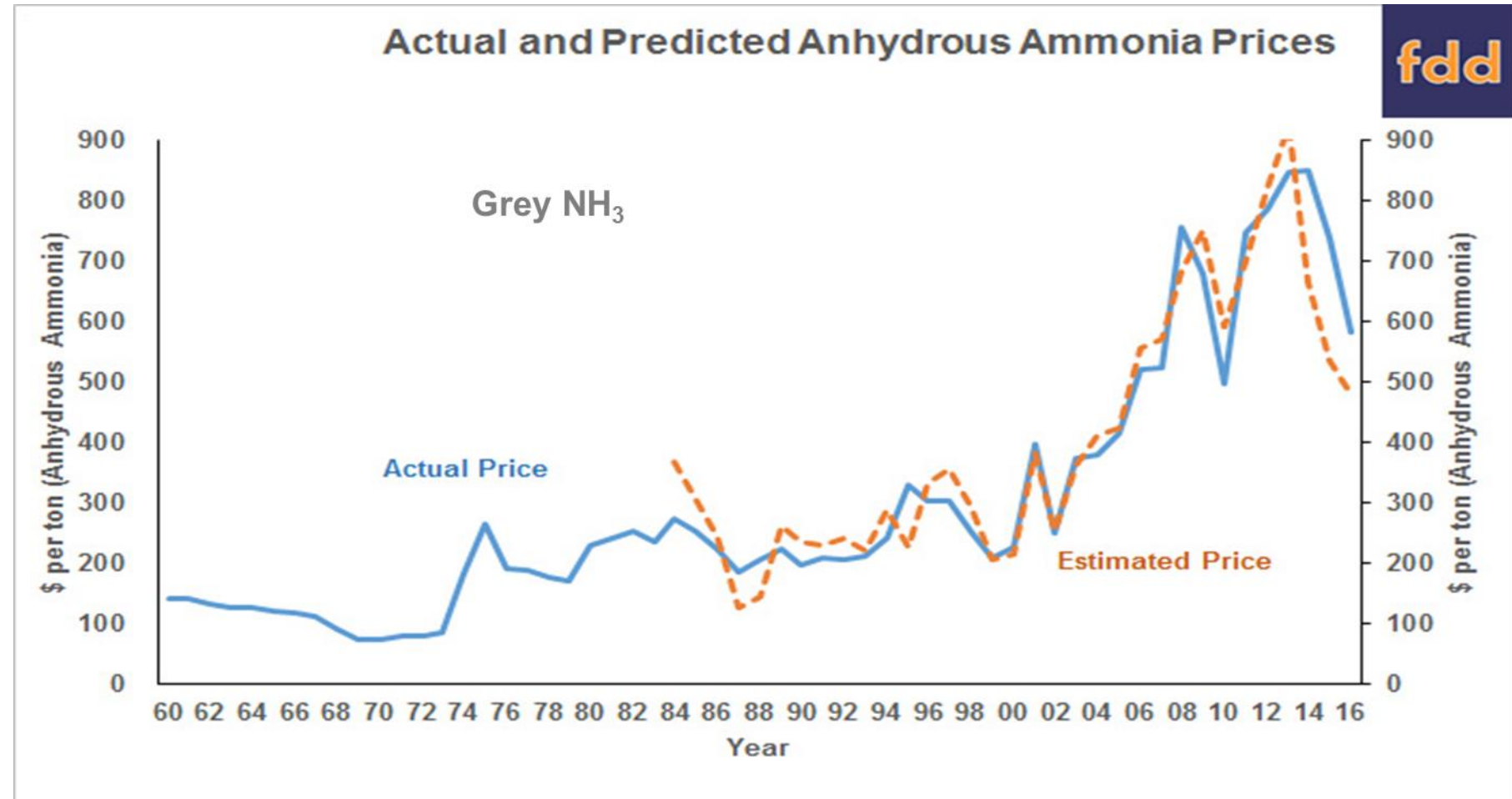
Green Ammonia Levelized Cost

Competitive Alternative to Volatile Grey Ammonia Markets

Grey Ammonia Price in USA

56 Years Period:
1960 to 2016

Price Range:
\$100 to \$850/ton



Green Ammonia Levelized Cost

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Grey Ammonia Price in USA

31 Years Period:
1990 to Oct 2021

Price Peak Oct-2021:
\$1030/ton



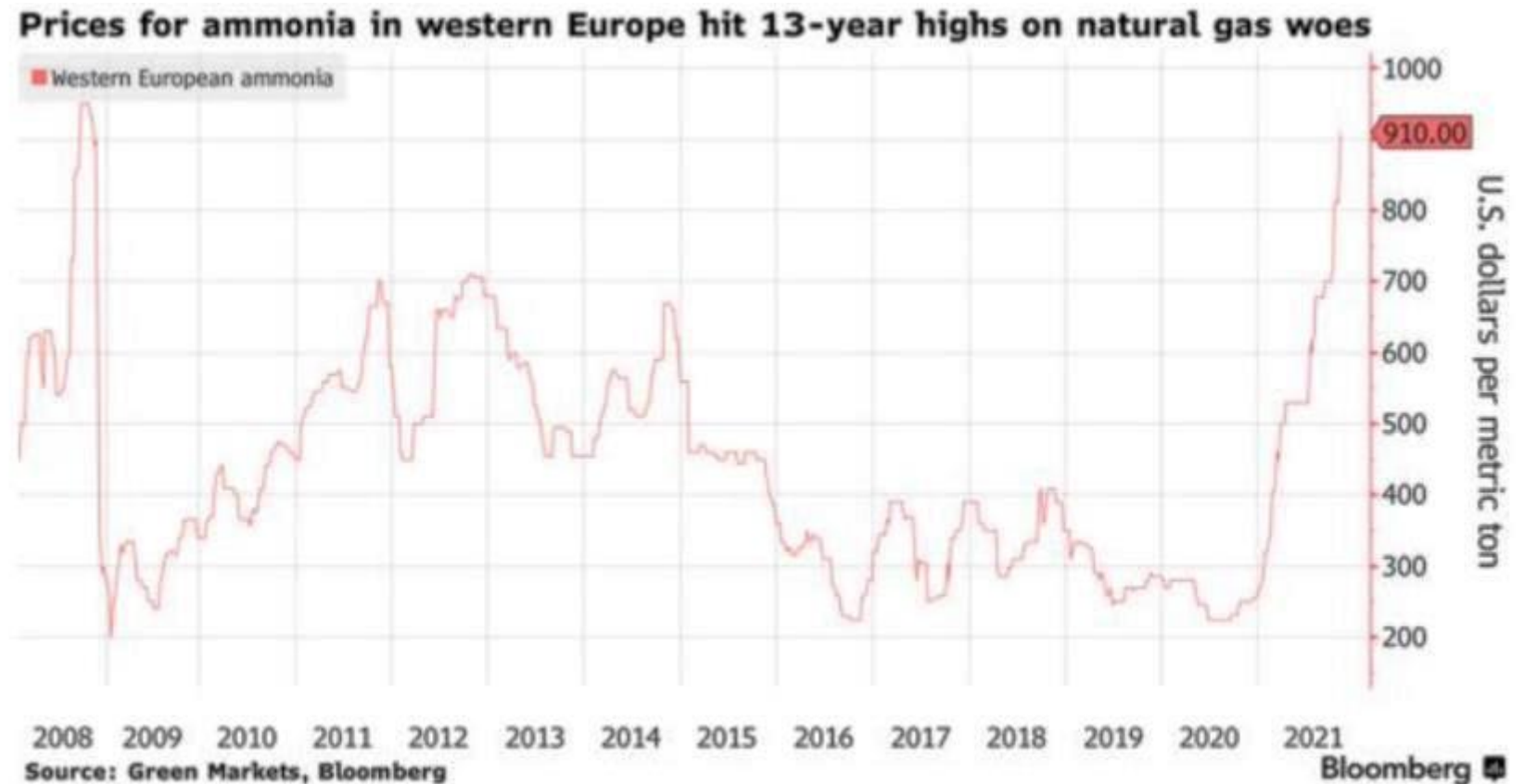
Green Ammonia Levelized Cost

Competitive Alternative to Volatile Grey Ammonia Markets

Grey Ammonia Price in Western Europe

*13 Years Period:
2008 to Nov-2021*

*Price Peak Nov-2021:
\$910/ton*



Green Ammonia Levelized Cost

Competitive Alternative to Volatile Grey Ammonia Markets

- **Green Ammonia Offers fixed price contract for 30 years**
- **Business Case Key Assumptions Under Favorable & Optimum Conditions (e.g., Morocco, Chile, Oman)**
 - *Technology: Water Electrolysis with Haber Bosch Synthesis & ASU*
 - *Plant Size & Capacity Factor: 1 GWe DC, 70% PV+Wind*
 - *CAPEX & OPEX: \$1.39 Billion & 3.11% p.a*
 - *Energy Weighted Average Cost : \$18/MWh*
 - *RE Powered RO Water Feedstock Cost: \$3/m³ , WACC: 4.56%*
 - *MMRA: cashflow funded for 10-yr stack replacement cycle (degradation calcs % per khr is considered)*
 - *Plant Lifecycle: 30 years*
 - *Business Case Estimated LCOA for 2025: \$414/ton*
 - *2025 estimated Green Ammonia Levelized Cost 375-450 \$/ton under favorable & optimum conditions*

Green Ammonia Levelized Cost

Competitive Alternative to Volatile Grey Ammonia Markets

Typical Green Ammonia LCOA Breakdown: Business Case 2025 Under Favorable Conditions @ \$414/ton Toolkit V7

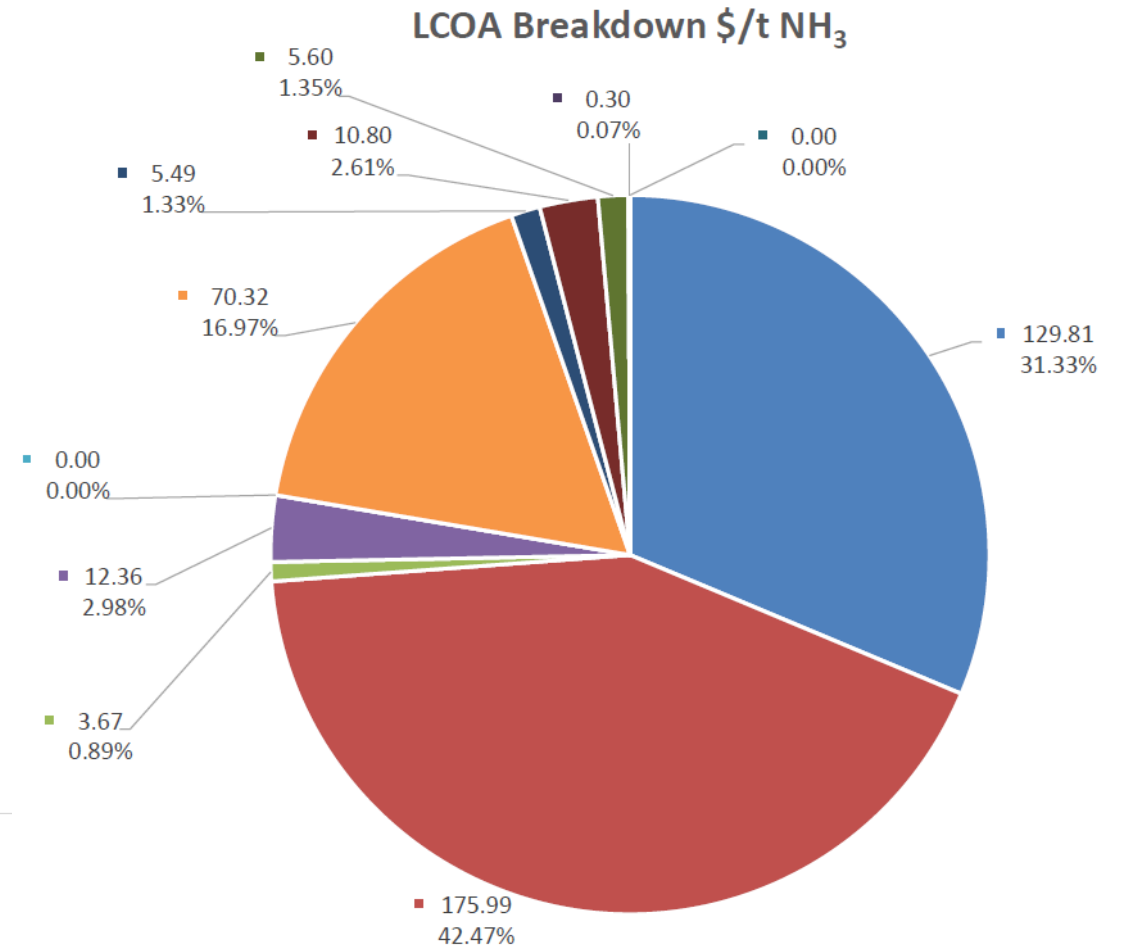
OUTPUTS - 30 Years		
LCOA Component	Component \$/t NH₃	Component Percentage
Capex Component	129.81	31.33%
Opex Component - Electrolysis Energy Cost	175.99	42.47%
Opex Component - H ₂ Pre-Compression Energy Cost	3.67	0.89%
Opex Component - NH ₃ Synthesis Energy Cost	12.36	2.98%
Opex Component - Other infra Energy Cost	0.00	0.00%
Opex Component - General Fixed O&M	70.32	16.97%
Opex Component - Water Cost	5.49	1.33%
Opex Component - Stack Replacement Cost	10.80	2.61%
Opex Component - HB-ASU Major Overhaul Cost	5.60	1.35%
Opex Component - Leased Land Cost	0.30	0.07%
Opex Component - Decom. & Res. Cost	0.00	0.00%
		Total Percentage Check
		100.00%
LCOA (\$/t NH₃)	414.35	
LCOA (AED/t NH₃)	1,522.74	

Green Ammonia Levelized Cost

Competitive Alternative to Volatile Grey Ammonia Markets

Typical Green Ammonia LCOA
Breakdown: Business Case 2025 Under
Favorable Conditions @ \$414/ton
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- Capex Component
- Opex Component - H2 Pre-Compression Energy Cost
- Opex Component - Other infra Energy Cost
- Opex Component - Water Cost
- Opex Component - HB-ASU Major Overhaul Cost
- Opex Component - Decom. & Res. Cost
- Opex Component - Electrolysis Energy Cost
- Opex Component - NH3 Synthesis Energy Cost
- Opex Component - General Fixed O&M
- Opex Component - Stack Replacement Cost
- Opex Component - Leased Land Cost



Green Ammonia Levelized Cost

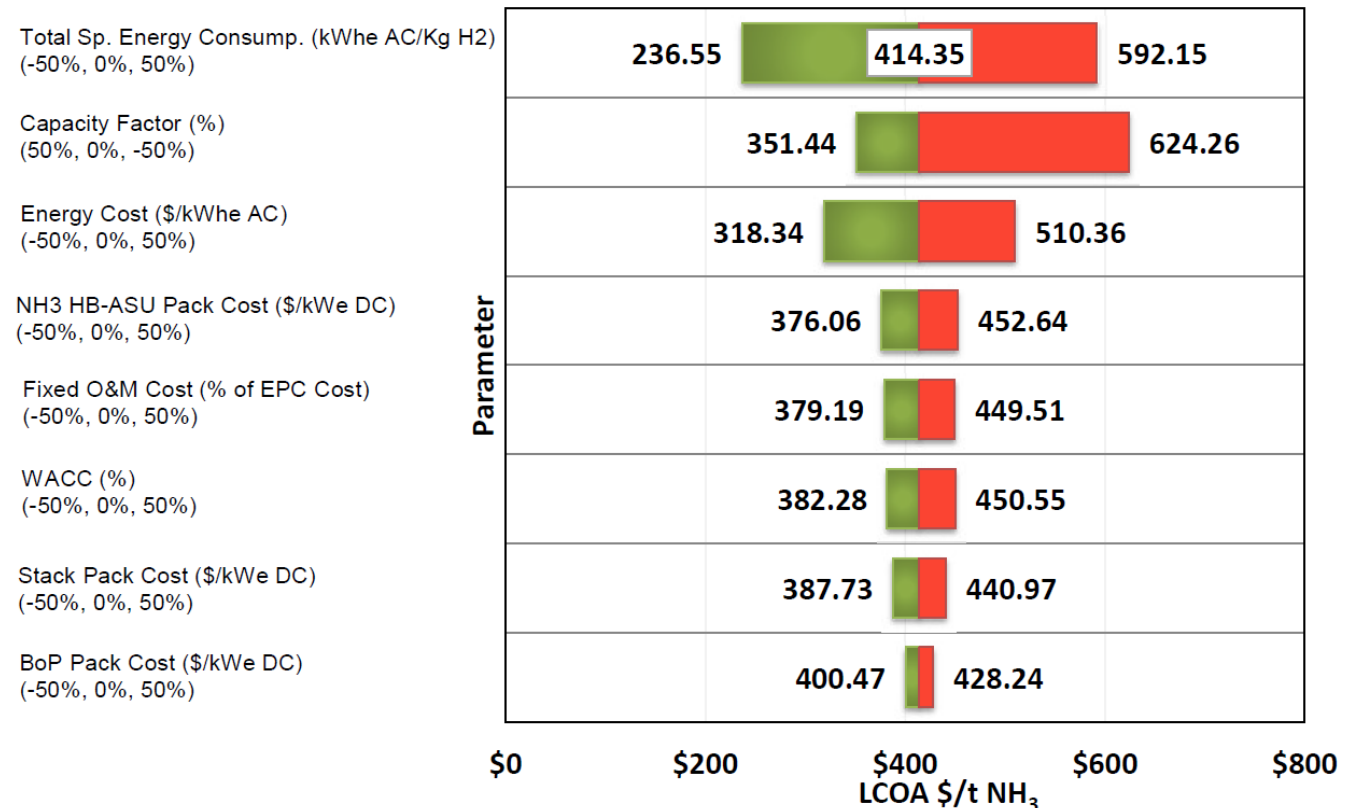
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Green Ammonia LCOA Sensitivity Analysis 2025 Business Case Significant Room for Improvement by 2050 Toolkit V7

LCOA Key Improvement Drivers:

- Cumulative learning rates across the board
- Maintaining high annual capacity factors
- Electrolyzer efficiency increase
- Renewable energy cost decrease
- CAPEX cost decrease
- By 2050, Green Ammonia LCOA could fall to as low as \$300/ton

Tornado Chart - LCOA \$/t NH₃



Takeaways

- ▶ The green molecules era has arrived.
- ▶ Their contribution to the energy transition will rise and accelerate.
- ▶ Balancing the technical solutions with sound economics will be critical to the success.
- ▶ Clear long-term standards / policy / regulatory environments w/ risk-balanced offtake agreements are vital for bankable projects development.
- ▶ Again, all hands must be on deck!



Thank You For Your Attention!

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