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# **EARTH<sup>®</sup> - an Advanced Reforming Technology to reduce the Carbon Footprint in Hydrogen Production**

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# Introduction





# A Changing World...

## Requiring a low-carbon and sustainable future

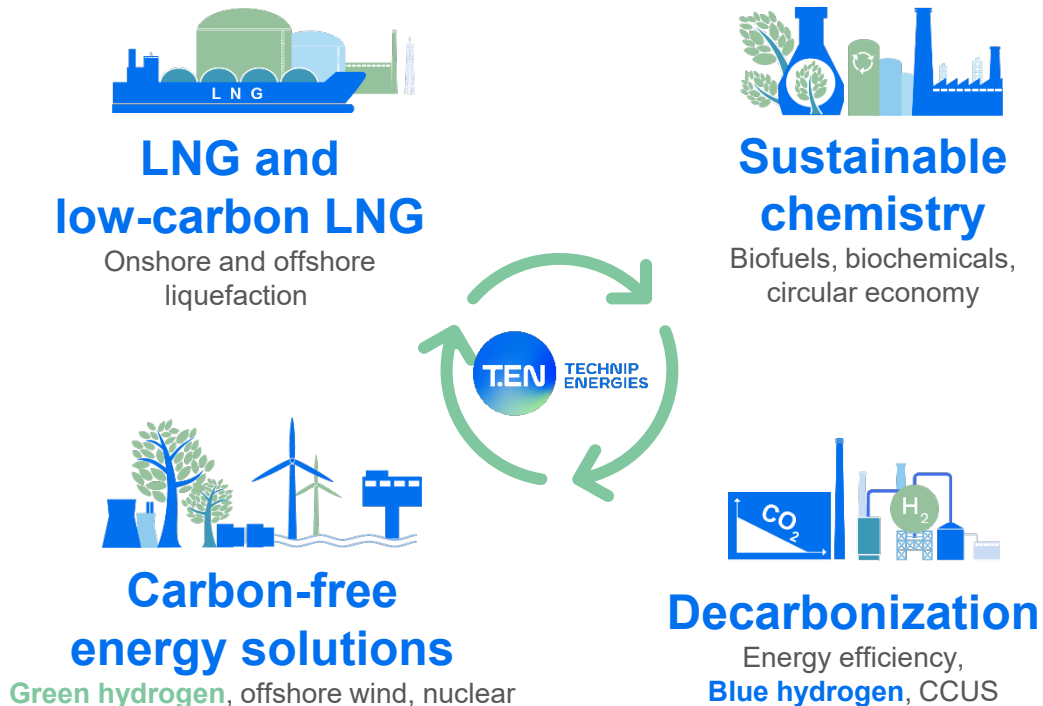


# Technip Energies at a glance

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| Listed on<br><b>Euronext Paris</b><br>Stock Exchange | Headquartered in<br><b>Paris</b>                                     | <b>60+</b><br>Years of operations      |
| <b>€6.4B</b><br>Full year 2022 adjusted revenue      | A leading Engineering & Technology company for the Energy Transition | <b>€12.8B</b><br>Backlog at end 2022   |
| <b>~15,000</b><br>Employees in 30 countries          | <b>25+</b><br>Leading proprietary technologies                       | <b>450 projects</b><br>Under execution |

# Technip Energies Strategic Framework

## Our 4 strategic pillars



## Our ambition

### Technologies, Products & Services (TPS)

Expand through organic growth, partnerships and acquisitions

### Project Delivery

Sustain leadership and execution excellence

## Technology and R&D focus

*Decarbonization and CCUS*

*Blue and green H<sub>2</sub> and NH<sub>3</sub>*

*Sustainable chemistry*

## Data-Centric Execution

## ESG

*ESG roadmap*

*Net Zero project execution*

*Circularity*



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## Why decarbonizing hydrogen production?

# Why hydrogen?

## A changing role for Hydrogen



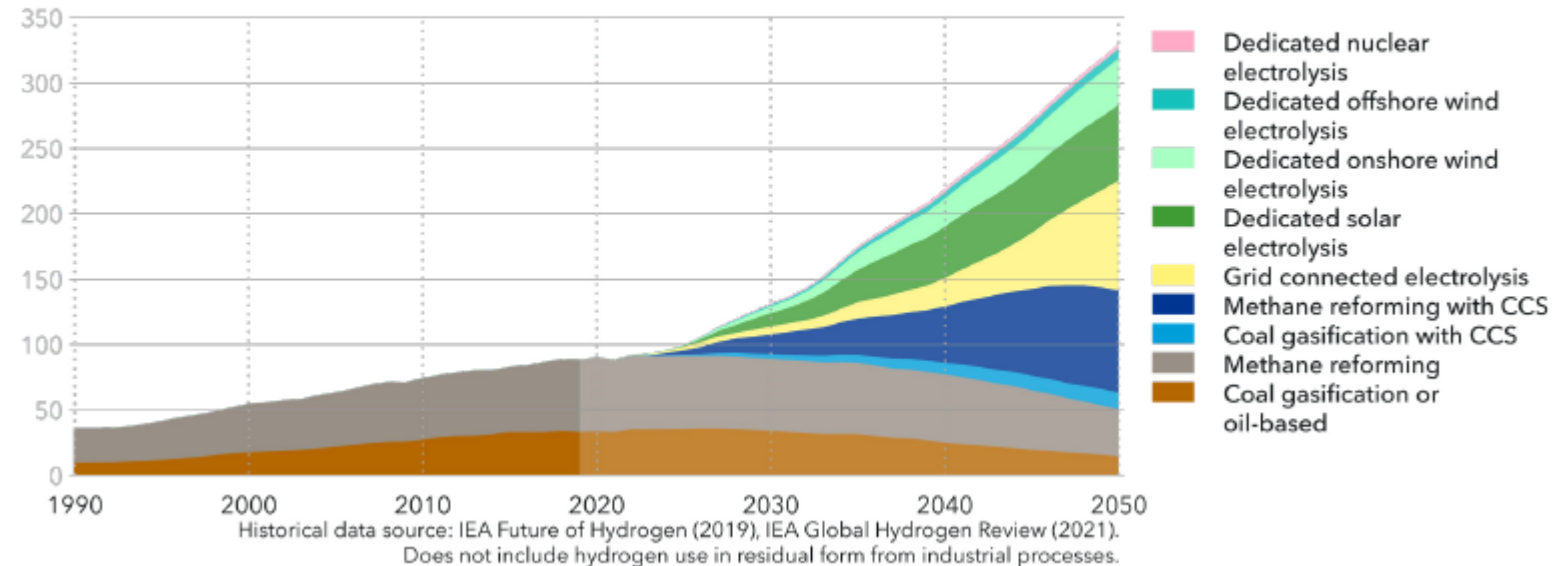
### H<sub>2</sub> Tomorrow

Part of an expanded energy portfolio of low/no carbon vectors:

- Fuel substitute  
e.g. fossil → H<sub>2</sub>
- Energy carrier
- Energy storage and transport media
- Chemical building block
- Synfuel building block

World hydrogen production by production route

Units: MtH<sub>2</sub>/yr

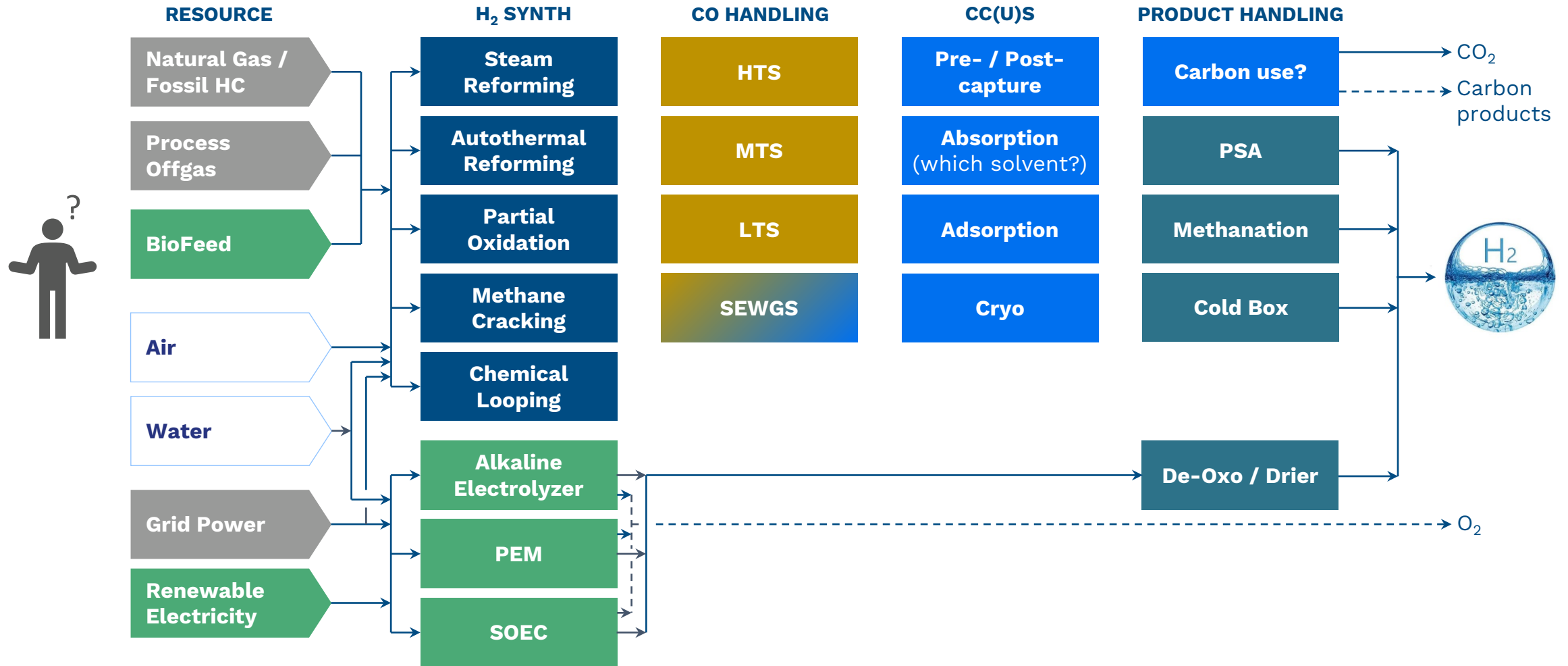


Source: DNV Hydrogen Forecast to 2050 (Energy Transition Outlook 2022)

**Forecasts vary, and depend heavily on expectations for transport and heating**  
**Many anticipate legacy + decarbonized hydrogen remain important in foreseeable future**

# Pathways to hydrogen generation

how to navigate?





# Typical CO<sub>2</sub> emissions for hydrogen plants

## Sources

### Reforming



### Partial Oxidation



### Water-Gas Shift



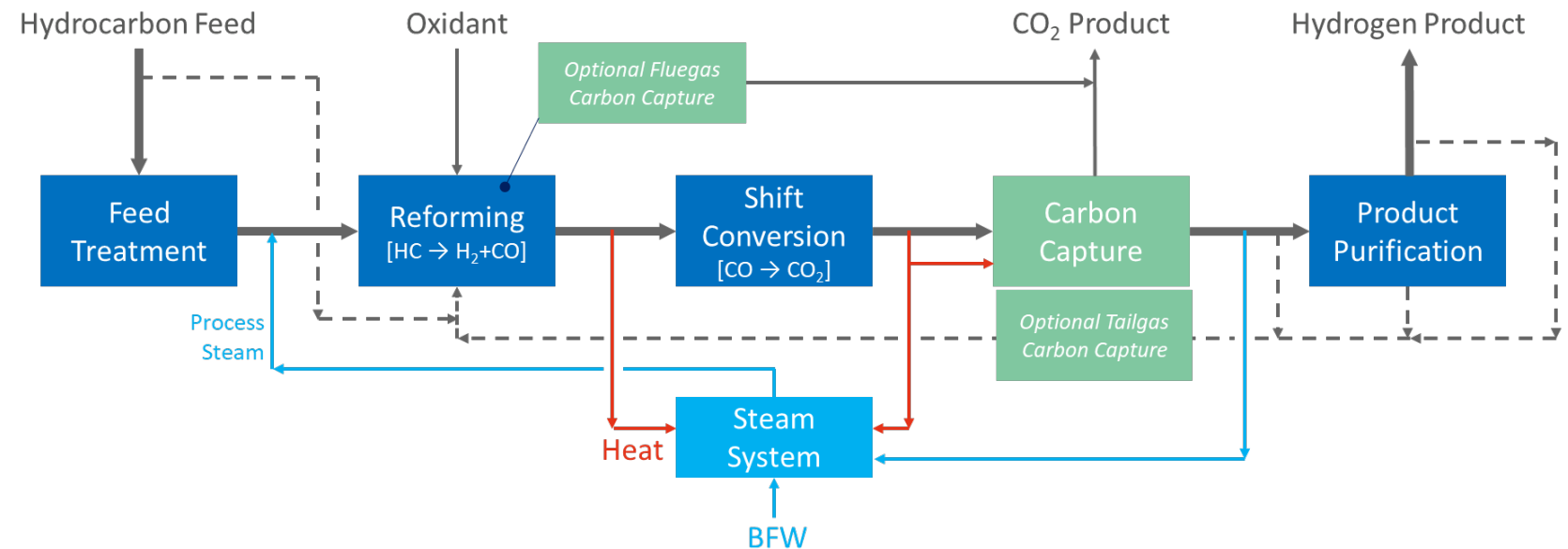
### Hydrocarbon Combustion



For GREY hydrogen:

- 1 kg of H<sub>2</sub> production typically emits 9-12 kg CO<sub>2</sub>

> CO<sub>2</sub> present in process gas and flue gas  
(where carbon emitting fuel is fired)



# Our H<sub>2</sub>eritage

~60 years' hydrogen technology and product leadership

## Hydrogen

275+

H<sub>2</sub> references

50+

References of carbon capture from H<sub>2</sub> plants



>30%

Global installed H<sub>2</sub> capacity

60+

Green H<sub>2</sub> References



## Ammonia and Fuels

20+

Ammonia references over last 15 years

30+

Grassroots refineries with capacities up to 400 k BPD



## Electrolysis & Electrical Expertise

100+

Electrolysis references for Electrochemicals plant

150

electrical engineers

3,5 GW

of power plants built and operated

BlueH<sub>2</sub>  
by T.E.N

GO.H<sub>2</sub>  
by T.E.N

Member of



Hydrogen Council



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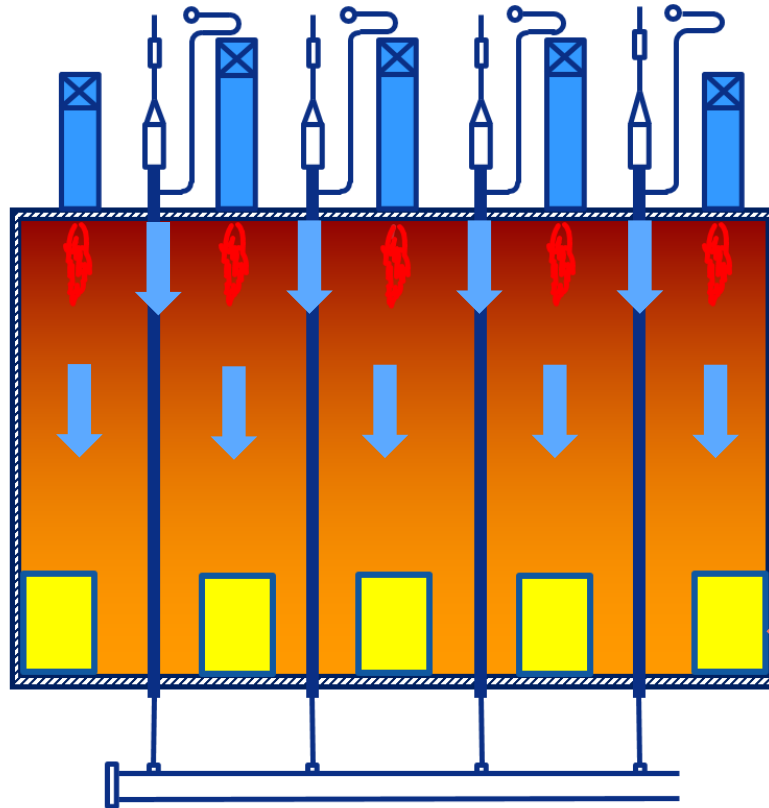
# Decarbonizing Steam reforming

Effective production of hydrogen with EARTH®

# Basic principles for steam reformer

## Top Fired Reformer – Basic Principles

Reformer feed



Reformer product

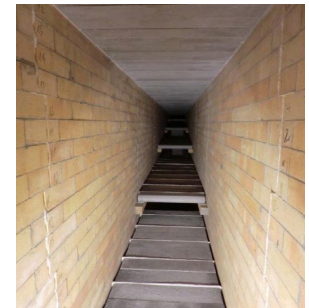
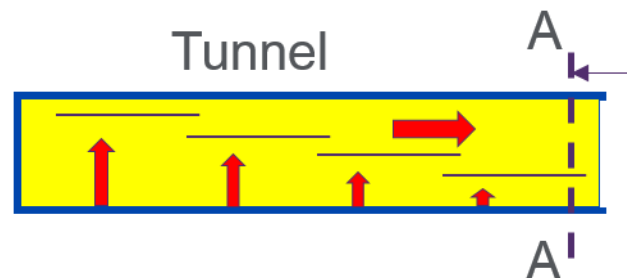
### Process gas co-current with flue gas

- Downward flow of flue gas
- Design either based on induced draft or balanced draft, often with air preheat



### Flue gas extraction through end wall

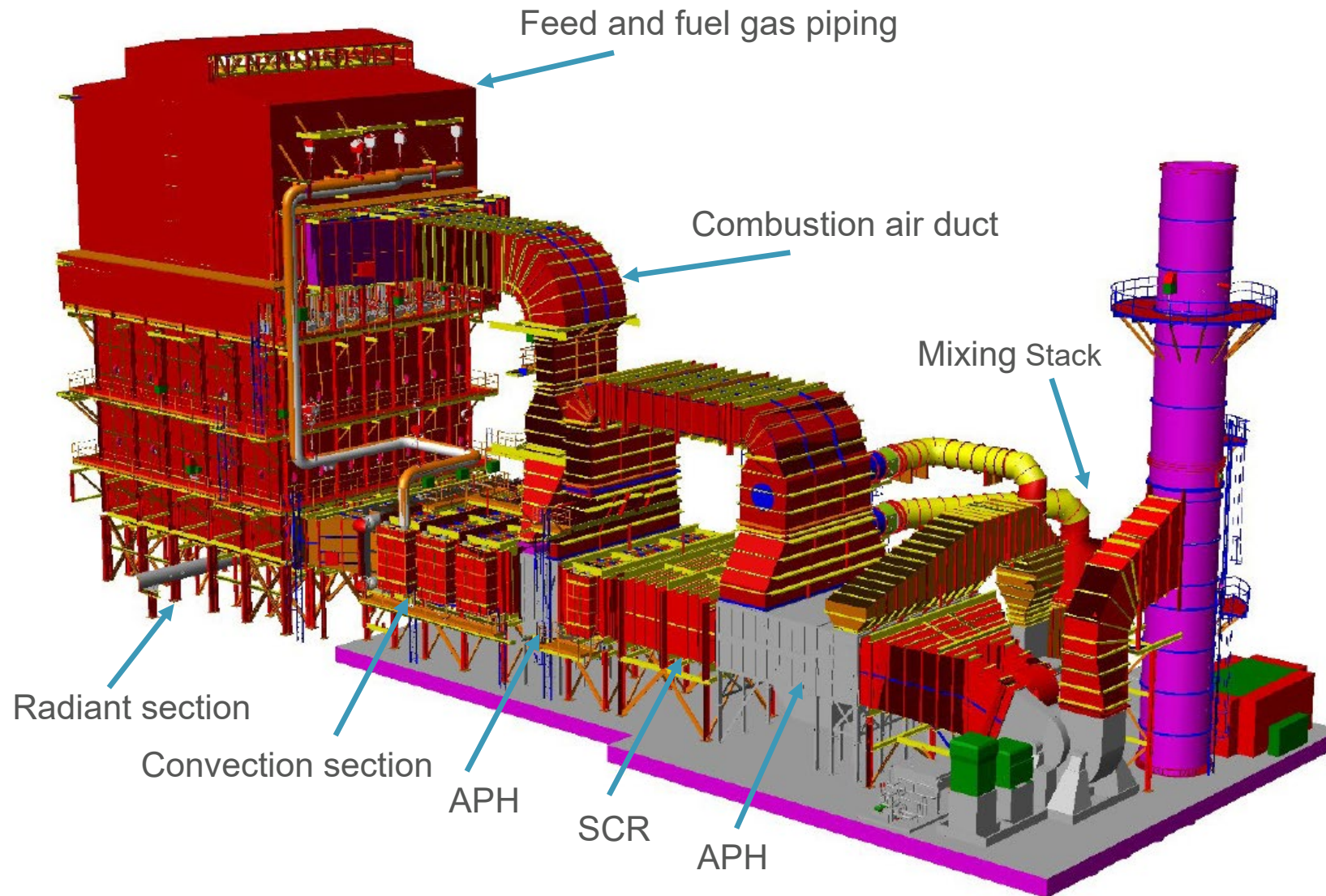
- Flue gas extraction tunnels



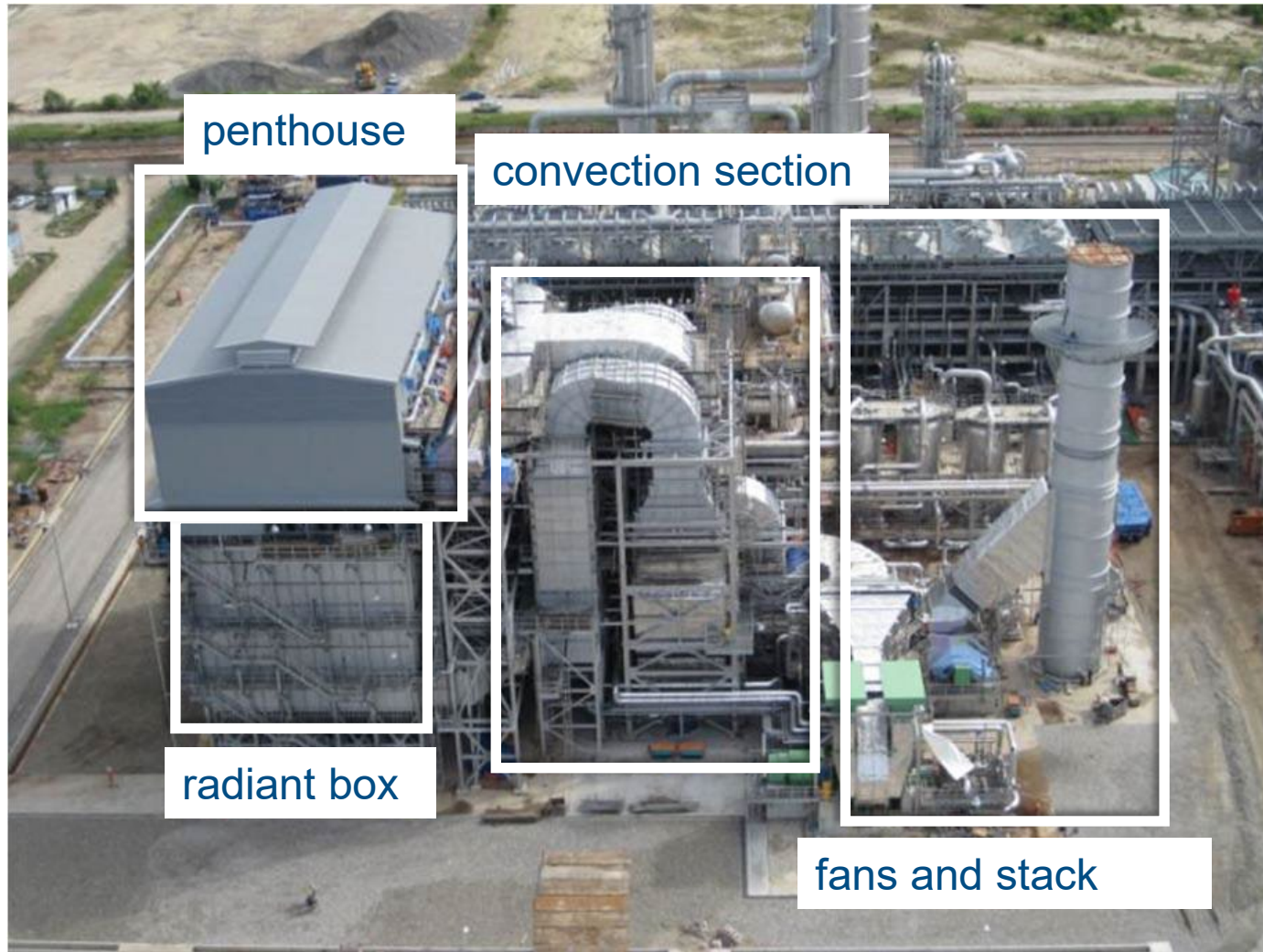
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# Example reformer model

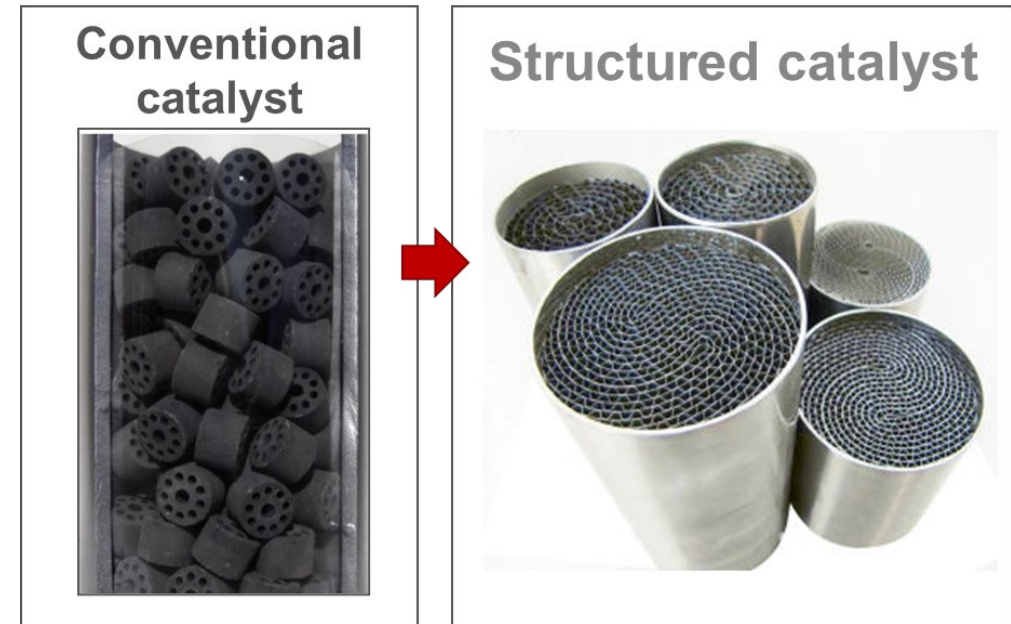
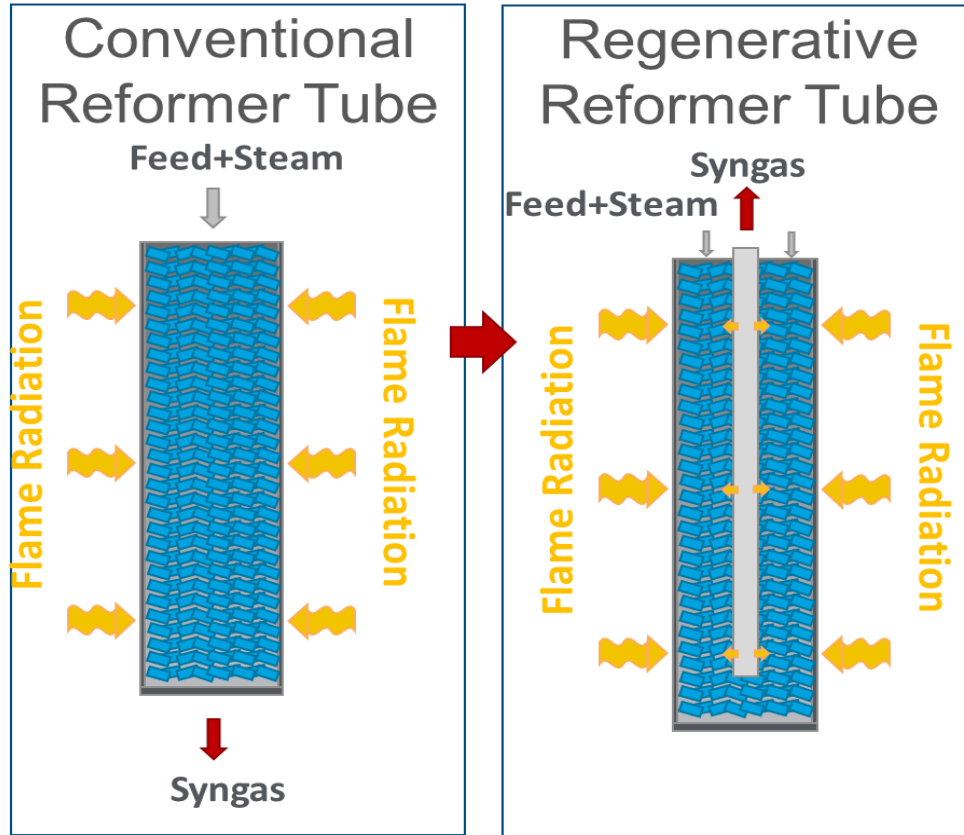


# Example reformer



# Improving the SMR performance

## Recent Developments



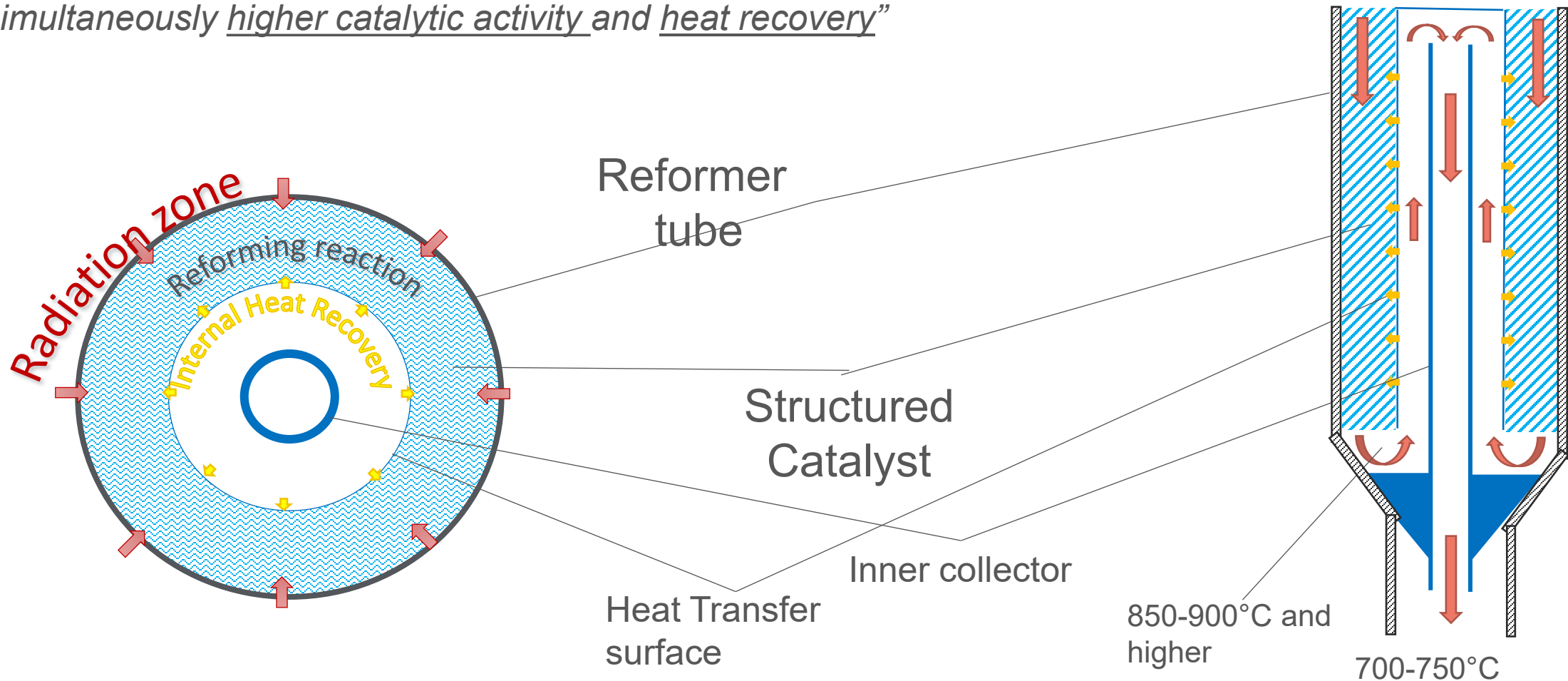
Combining benefits and eliminate drawbacks with EARTH®



# EARTH<sup>®</sup> Technology

## Enhanced Annular Reformer Tube for Hydrogen and Syngas

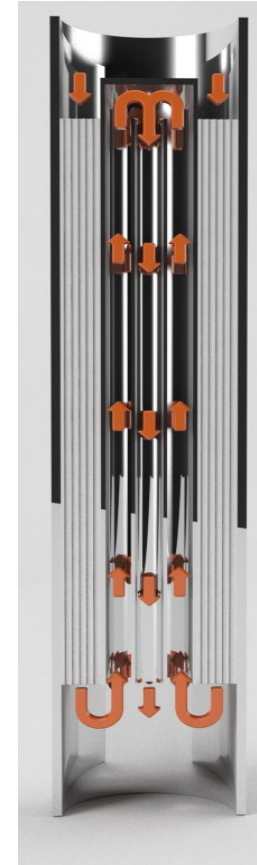
*"It is a removable annular structure installed inside reformer tubes to achieve simultaneously higher catalytic activity and heat recovery"*





# EARTH®

- EARTH® – patented by Technip Energies
- Intensify throughput and heat integration
- Structured catalyst co-developed with **CLARIANT**
- Saves energy, reduces CO<sub>2</sub> footprint by up to 10%
- Simple drop-in, minimum CapEx
- Install in existing or new reformer tubes
- Proven in operation



## First Application timeline

M0: design internal  
and catalyst



M6: installation and  
start-up



Tube installation with EARTH® inside and  
EARTH® in operation

Up to 10 % reduction of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions | Retrofit for up to 20% capacity addition

# EARTH<sup>®</sup> technology

## References

### Ak-Kim, Turkey



- Syngas plant in operation since 2019



|                          | Conventional pellet catalyst | EARTH <sup>®</sup> |
|--------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------|
| CO <sub>2</sub> emission | Base                         | -20%               |
| Fuel consumption         | Base                         | -37%               |
| Approach to equilibrium  | < 10°C                       | < 3°C              |
| Export steam             | Base                         | -57%               |
| Catalyst lifetime        | >4 years                     | >>4 years          |
| Pressure drop            | ~2 bar                       | <1.5 bar           |
| Tube metal temperature   | base                         | -10°C              |

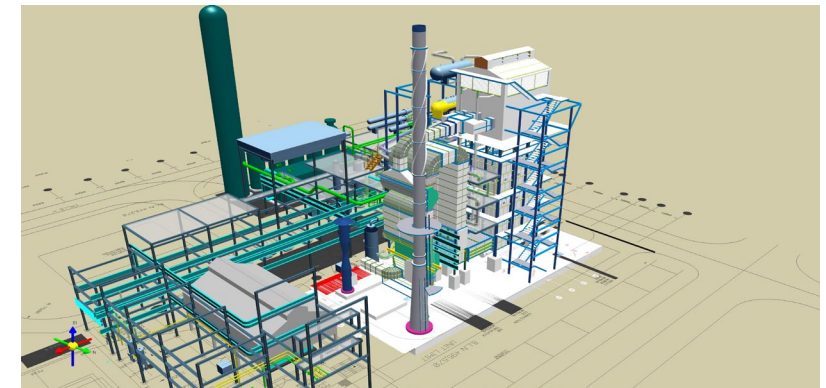
### 2<sup>nd</sup> reference, Europe

- On-site delivery of EARTH<sup>®</sup> assembly (including catalyst)
- Installation inside existing reformer tubes within shutdown window
- In operation since summer 2022

### Repsol, Europe



- Expected start-up 2023
- Grassroot reformer

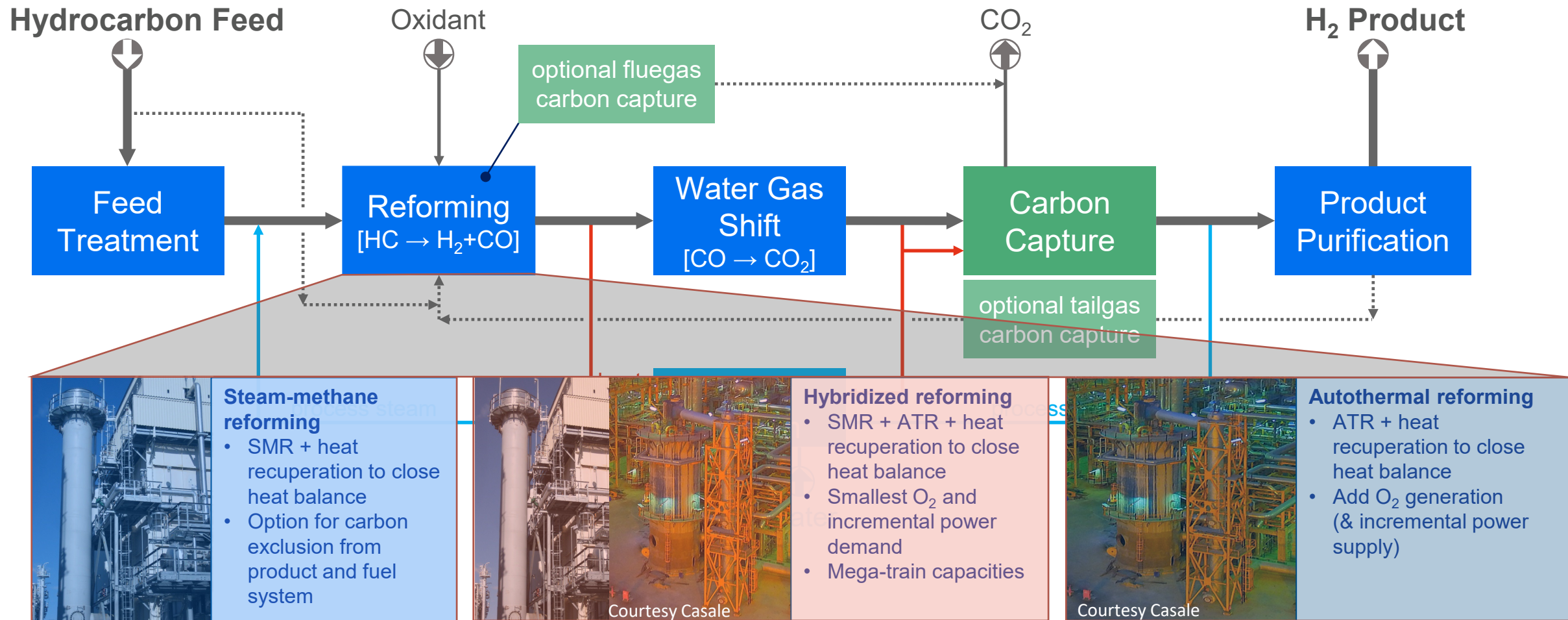




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## Applying EARTH® in blue H<sub>2</sub>

# Blue H<sub>2</sub>/Syngas



> **Very low CO<sub>2</sub> index practicable for all reforming schemes**  
0.1 - 1 kgCO<sub>2</sub> / kgH<sub>2</sub> CI direct + indirect



# T.EN portfolio of solutions in Blue H<sub>2</sub> / Syngas

greenfield projects & brownfield retrofits alike

## High Conversion Reforming

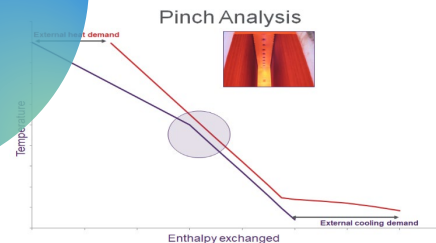
- Enhanced SMR "ESMR"
- Oxidative Reforming
- Recuperative Reforming

## Tailored Product Purification

## High-Efficiency Carbon Capture

## Deep CO Shifting "DeepShift"

## Heat Integration & High Efficiency



> Adaptive approach  
Proven components

# Key proprietary technologies in Blue H<sub>2</sub> by T.EN suite

## LSV<sup>®</sup> burner



Emission reduction  
Capable up to 100% H<sub>2</sub> firing

## EARTH<sup>®</sup>



Emission reduction and/or  
capacity increase

## TPR



Emission reduction and/or  
capacity increase

# Recuperative reforming in Blue H<sub>2</sub>/syngas

Essential for efficient blue hydrogen/syngas

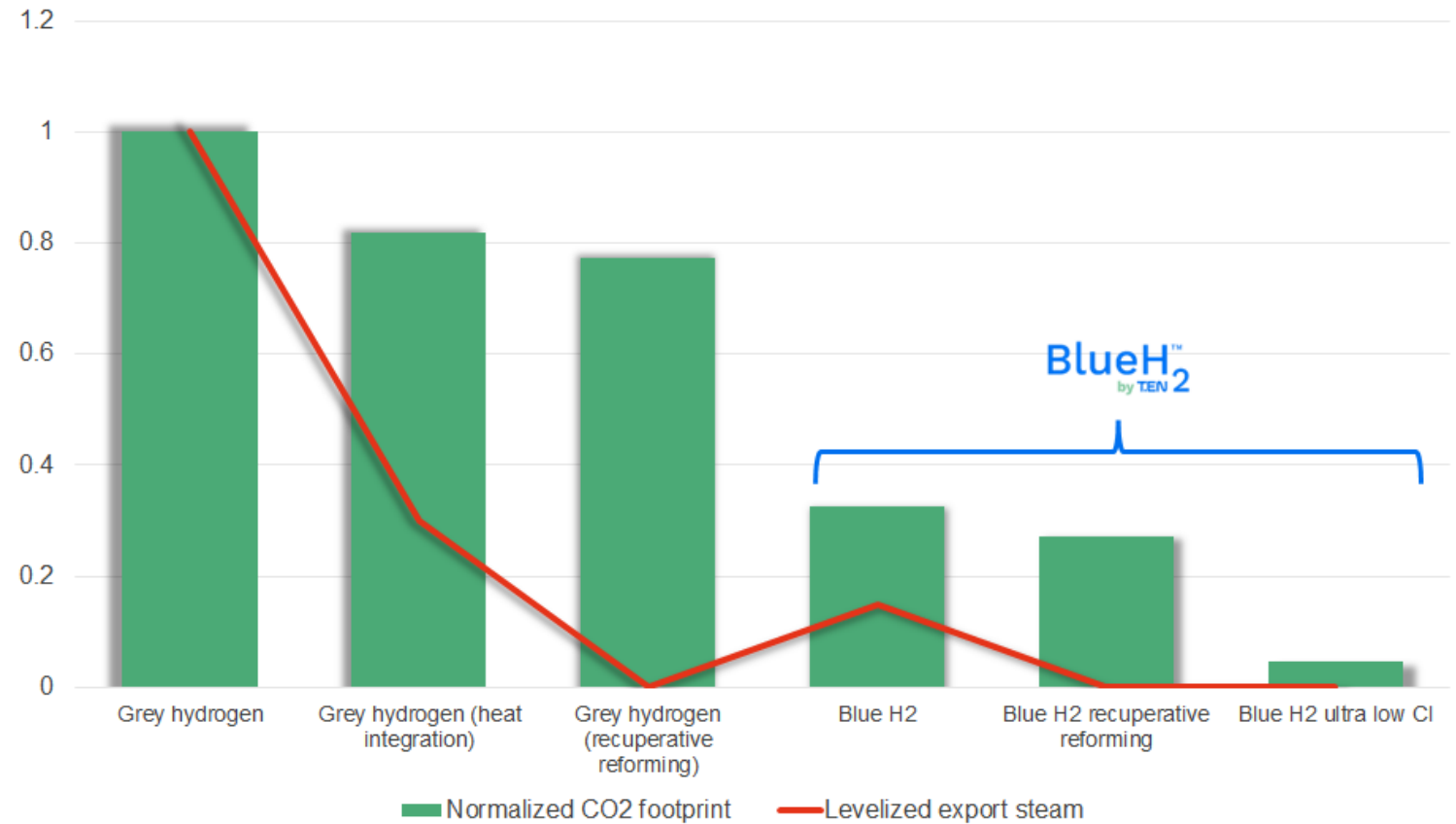
## Maximize curtailment:

- Balanced steam production
- High heat integration
- Recuperative reforming (utilize high level heat for reforming)

## Minimize byproducts:

- Maximize feed conversion
- High severity reforming

Normalized CO<sub>2</sub> footprint and levelized export steam





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## Main takeaways



# Main takeaways

The H<sub>2</sub>/syngas market continues to grow and diversify under a number of evolving drivers.

In the initial transition there should be attention towards carbon effective solutions rather than defining challenging objectives.

EARTH® technology can play a significant role to decarbonize hydrogen

Deeply decarbonized, “Blue syngas” is available and affordable for new plants and retrofits

BlueH<sub>2</sub><sup>™</sup>  
by T.E.N

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