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## „greenfuel“ project

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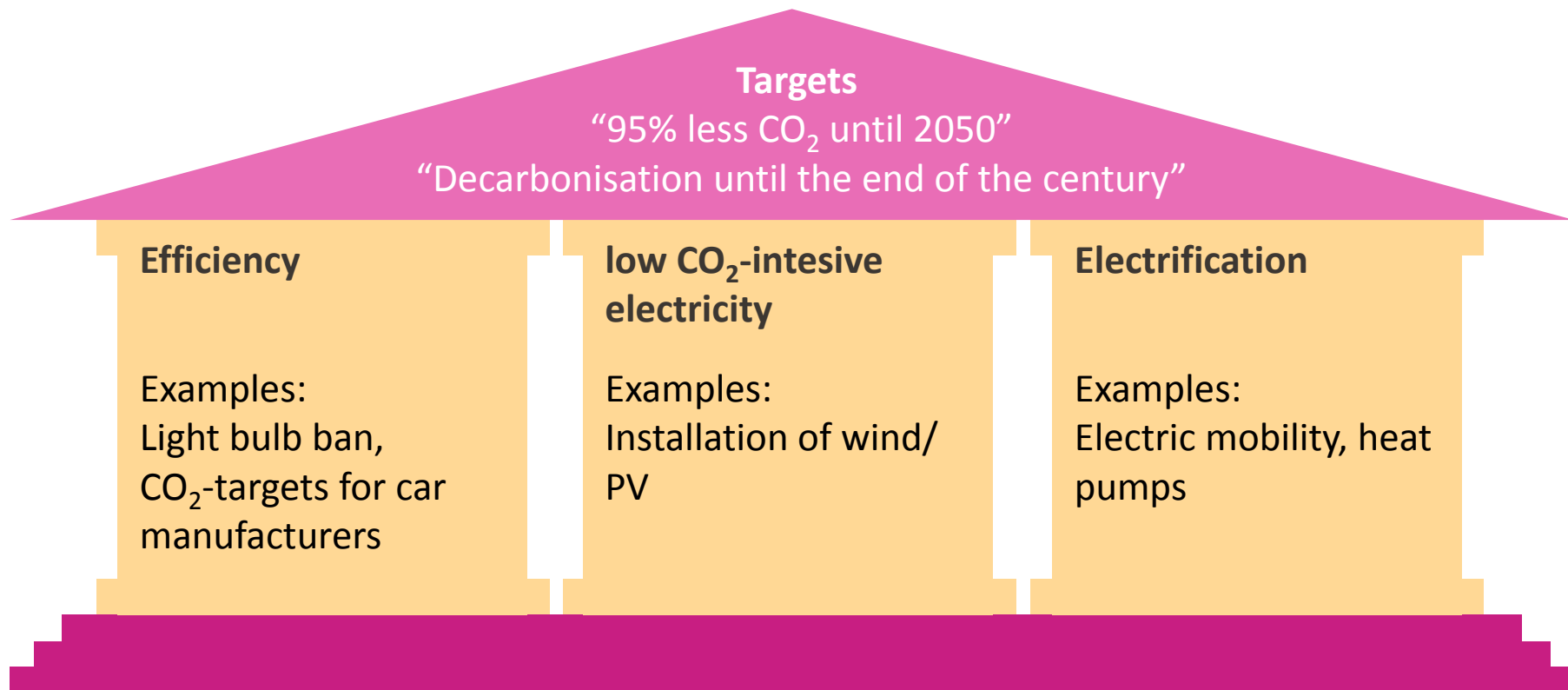
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The following slides provide ...

... information about:

- German CO2 emission targets
- Methanol as green energy carrier
- The R&D project „greenfuel“

# Germany mainly uses three levers to reduce CO<sub>2</sub> emissions



But, will these levers be sufficient to reach the target?



# German CO<sub>2</sub> targets are only achievable with a green energy carrier

CO<sub>2</sub> emission reduction target of 95% is not achievable using only direct electrification

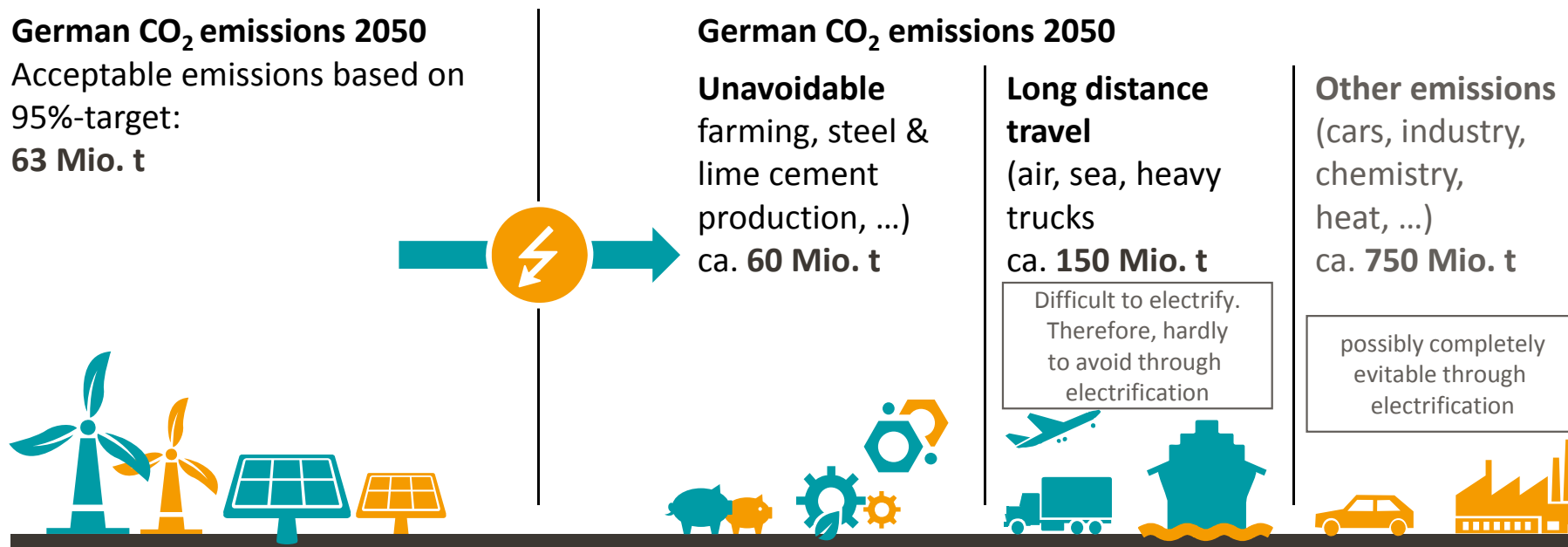
**German CO<sub>2</sub> emissions 2050**  
Acceptable emissions based on  
95%-target:  
**63 Mio. t**

**German CO<sub>2</sub> emissions 2050**

**Unavoidable**  
farming, steel &  
lime cement  
production, ...)  
ca. **60 Mio. t**

**Long distance  
travel**  
(air, sea, heavy  
trucks  
ca. **150 Mio. t**

**Other emissions**  
(cars, industry,  
chemistry,  
heat, ...)  
ca. **750 Mio. t**



CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from long distance travel are hardly evitable by means of direct electrification. Even if all other emissions could be completely avoided, Germany would still emit too much CO<sub>2</sub> due to inevitable emissions (according to UBA).

Numbers in Mio. t CO<sub>2</sub>-equivalent p.a.

# Greenfuels enable a worldwide trading of renewable energy



## Advantages of a global greenfuel exchange

- Low cost of production
- Higher efficiency of existing resources
- Less “not in my backyard” challenges
- Global portfolio-effects can hedge local fluctuations
- Development potential for exporting countries “win / win”

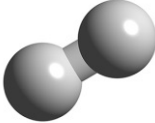
**Easy handling and transport** are basic requirements to take these advantages. Here **liquid energy carrier** are in advantage over gaseous.

# There are several alternatives for green, i.e. CO<sub>2</sub> neutral, energy carriers available

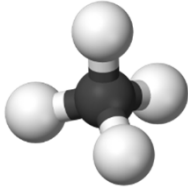
## Non-exhaustive overview of potential energy carriers

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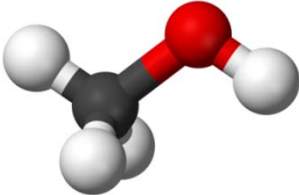
Hydrogen  
(H<sub>2</sub>)



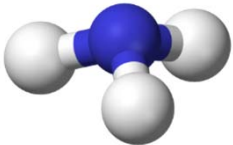
Methane  
(CH<sub>4</sub>)



Methanol  
(CH<sub>3</sub>OH)



Ammonia  
(NH<sub>3</sub>)



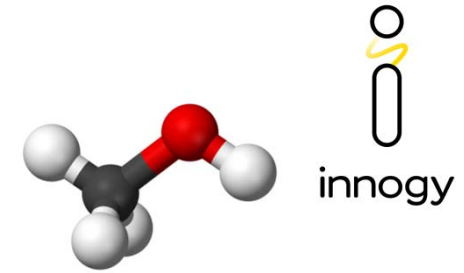
Metallic  
aluminium



Other ...



# Methanol as a green fuel ...



... shows very good properties for use ...

## Easy handling

- > Methanol is liquid at ambient conditions
- > Handling is similar to diesel, gasoline or fuel oil
- > Methanol is blendable to conventional fuels

## High energy density

- > In comparison to the often discussed energy carrier hydrogen, methanol offers a high volumetric energy density



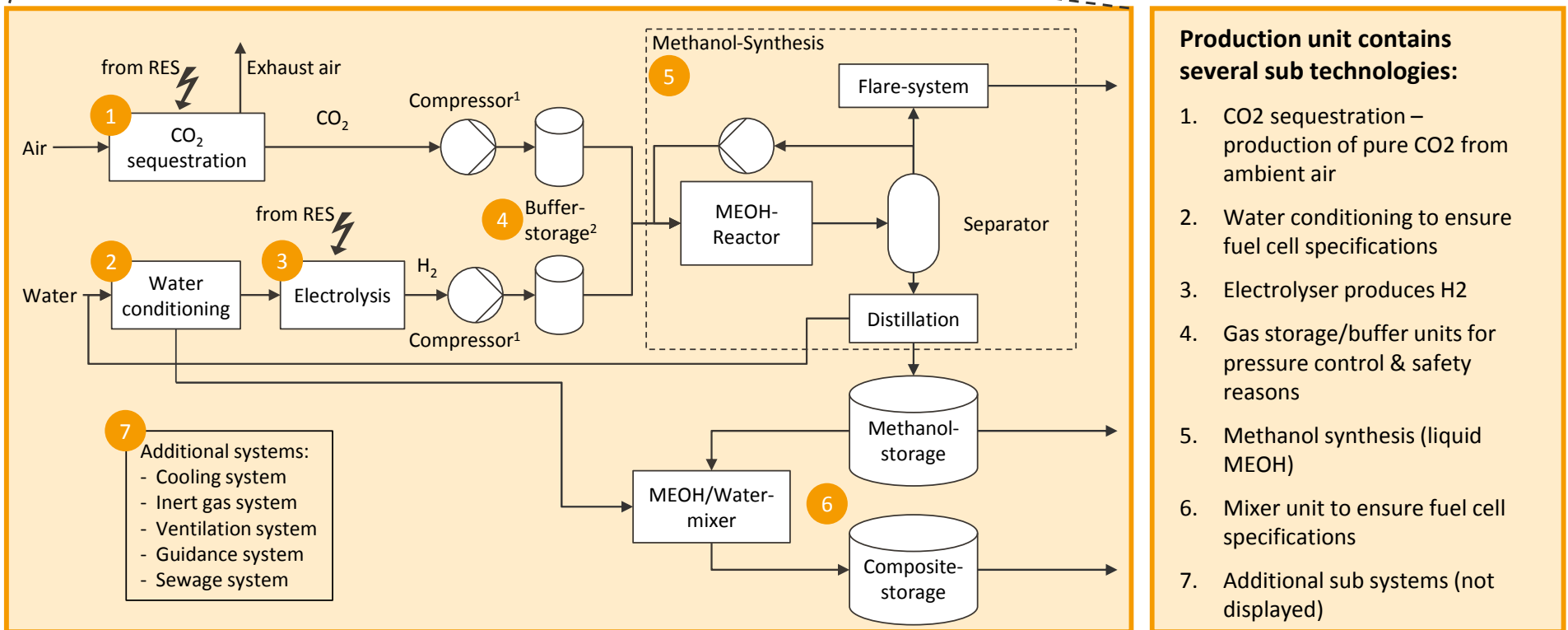
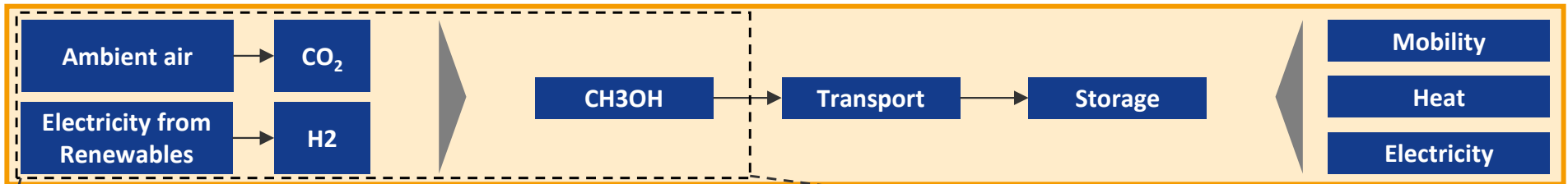
... and can reduce the CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from industry

- > Methanol is an important base chemical for the production of colours, solvents and plastics
- > The global demand for methanol reaches 65 Mio. t, thereof approx. 7 Mio. t in Germany
- > The chemical sectors uses 100.000 t of methanol per day



The use of green methanol is **not limited** to the **industry sector**. New use cases can evolve in **private households** and the **mobility sector**.

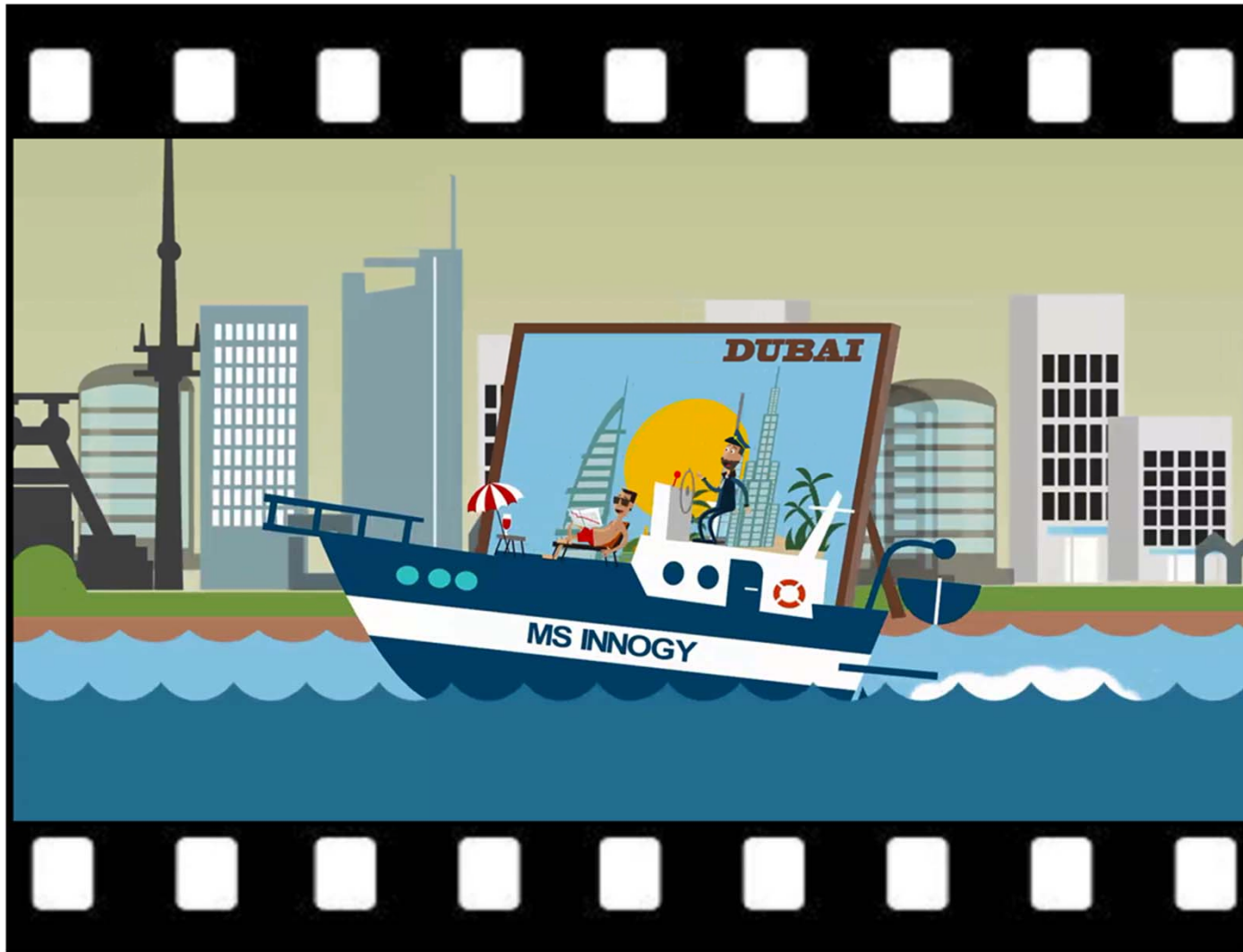
# The conversion route of green methanol combines many technologies and serves sector coupling



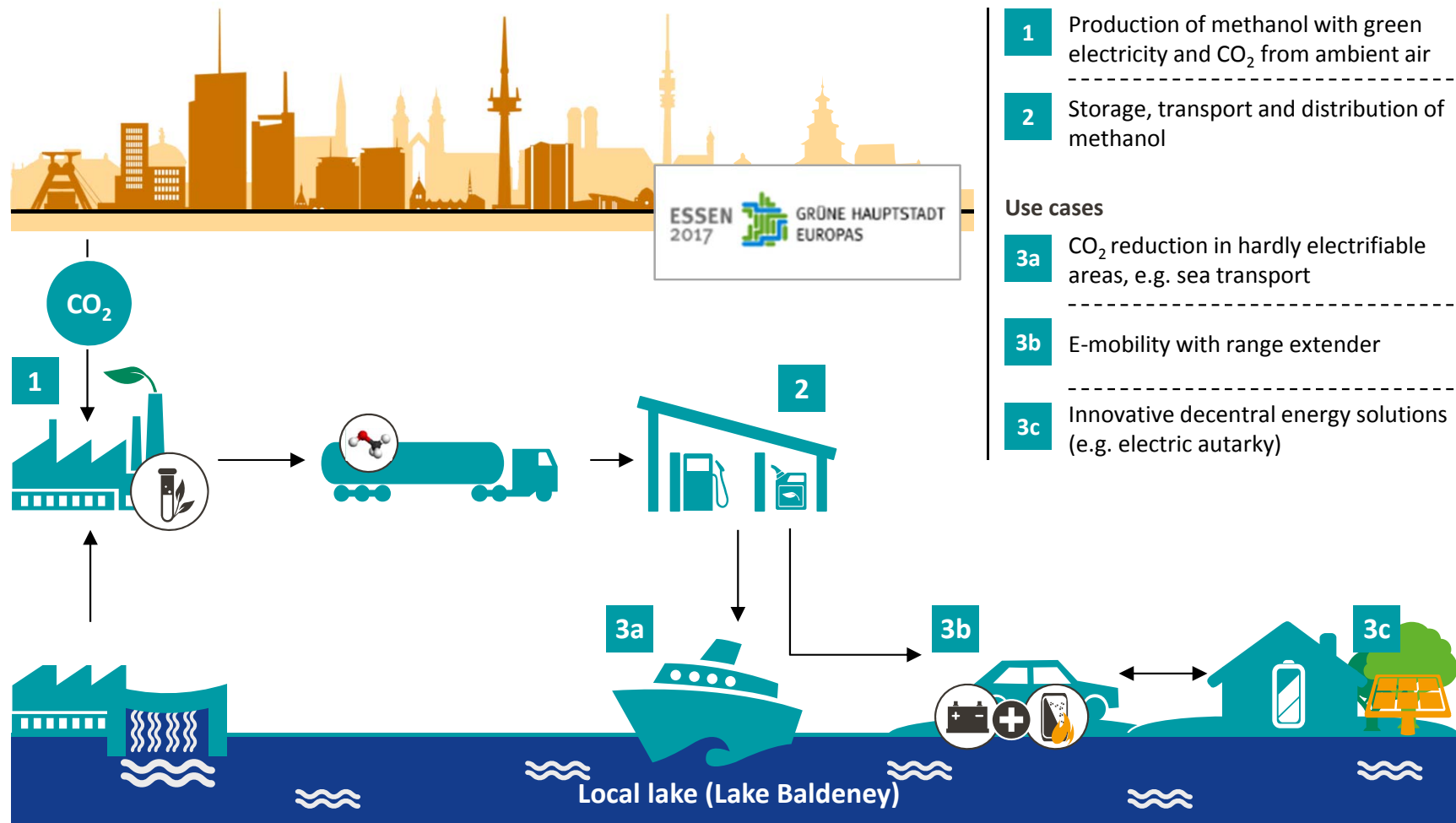
<sup>1</sup> eventually combined into one unit | <sup>2</sup> safe shutdown purpose; eventually combined into one unit



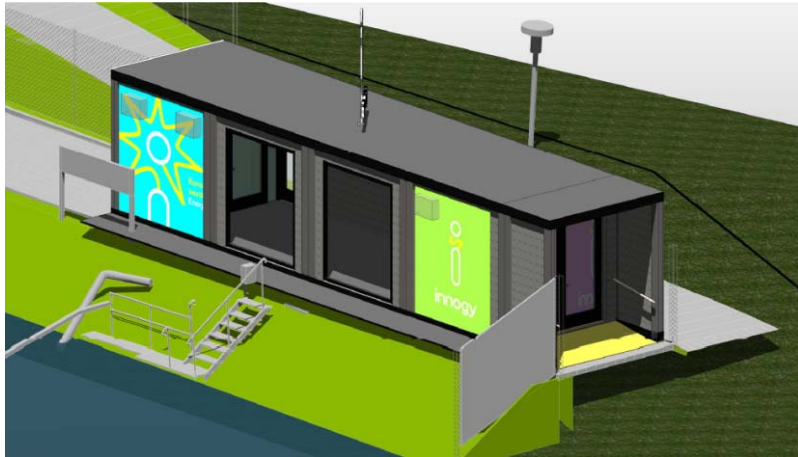
# The R&D project “greenfuel” – a short video



# The R&D project “greenfuel” demonstrates the entire value chain of green methanol



# Production of methanol



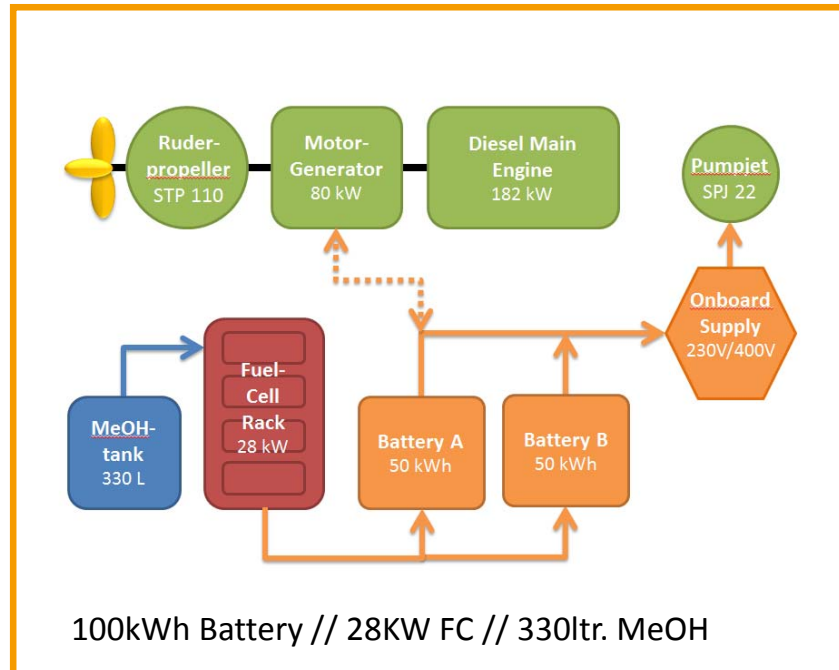
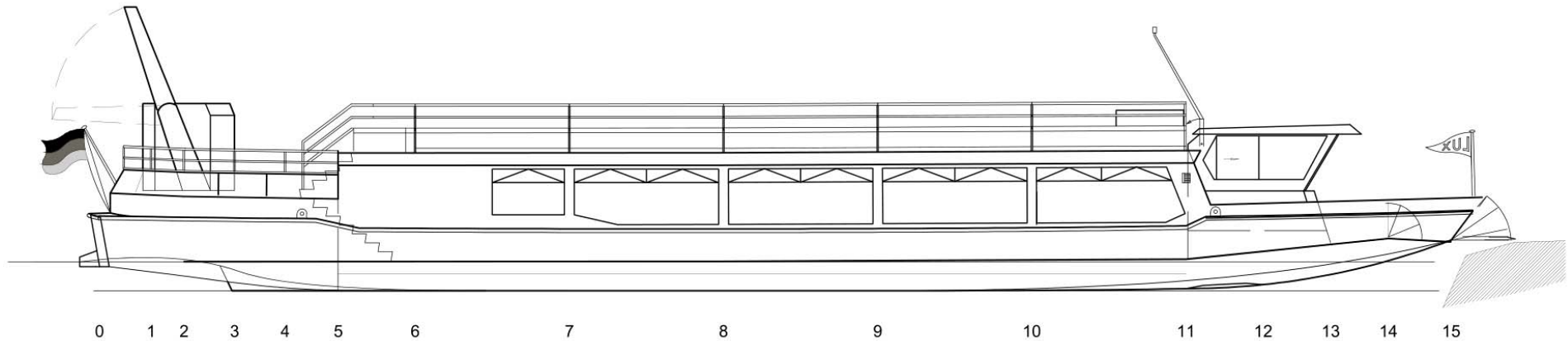
## Technical specifications

- Biocatalytical process
- Input: power, water, CO<sub>2</sub> from air
- 3 stage conversion from water to CO<sub>2</sub> to Methanol
- TRL 4-5
- Size of plant: 2x2x1 m
- Technology partner: Gensoric GmbH (Ger), Skytree (NL)

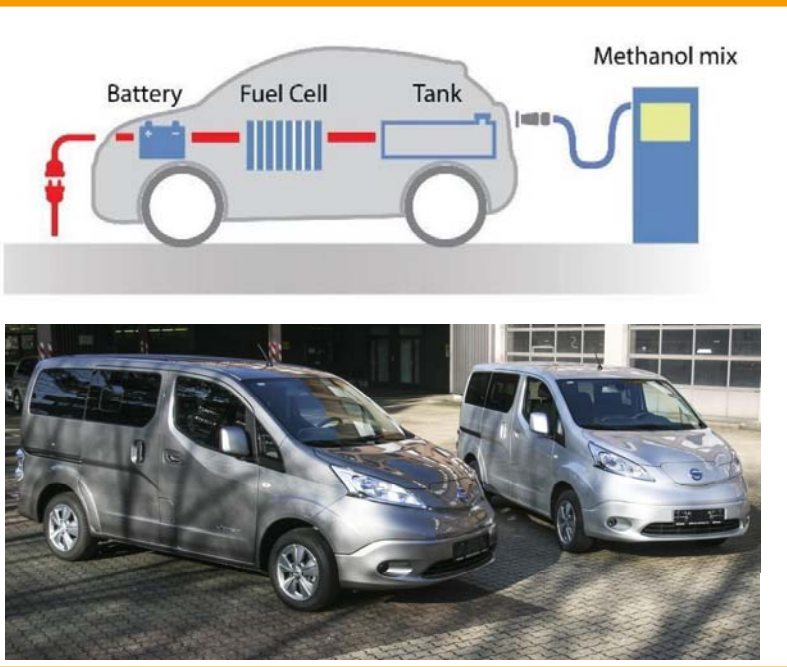
## Challenges:

- Upscaling from existing Labscale
- Production and usage of active enough enzymes
- Development of enzymes (activity, costs)

# MS innogy: first Methanol-fuel cell ship at lake Baldeney in Germany



# Nissan eNV 200 – Rebuild for fuel cell REX<sup>\*)</sup>

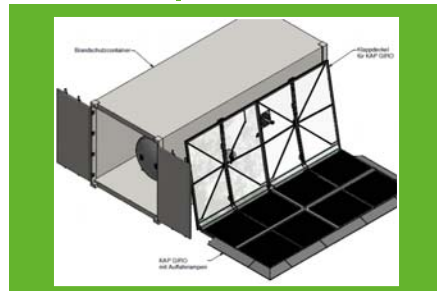


Technical specifications	
Basis	Rebuild
7 seats	5 seats
80 kW engine	80kW engine + 5kW MeOH FC
24 kWh battery	24 kWh battery
170 km travel range	> 500km (urban)
	> 50 ltr Tank
	zero particle emission

type	current	green scenario
Diesel	132 g/km	100 g/km
Benzin	176 g/km	123 g/km
Hybrid	142 g/km	80 g/km
Batterie-elektrisch	98 g/km	2 g/km
Wasserstoff	17 8g/km	3 g/km
Methanol	83 g/km	2 g/km

REX: range extender // Source for table content: Danish department of Energy 2014

# The timeline



# Impressions – transportation of ship to shipyard



„...by implementing the whole value chain of methanol within this R&D project we expect to generate not only a valuable contribution for the city of Essen and the “Grüne Hauptstadt Europas 2017” but also to gain a lot of know how for building a very promising business case for innogy....”

Jens Kanacher, Head of CoC Energy Systems and Storage

Thank you very  
much for your  
attention!