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## GERMAN « NUMOV » DELEGATION GREEN ENERGY & HYDROGEN

*Green Hydrogen in Morocco*

*Which Opportunities for Germany and Morocco*

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# ABOUT THE INSTITUTE

Support and Development of Applied Research and Innovation at the service of National and Continental Energy Transition.

The Research Institute for Solar Energy and New Energies (IRESEN) was created on the sidelines of the “Assises de l’Énergie” in 2011 at the initiative of the Ministry of Energy, Mines and Environment as well as several public and private key stakeholders of the energy sector to support applied research and innovation in the field of green technologies.

IRESEN is now a major player supporting the national energy strategy and is positioned across the entire green innovation value chain, through its two instruments:

1

## INFRASTRUCTURES

Network of research and innovation platforms in green technologies

2

## FUNDING AGENCY

Funding of applied research and collaborative innovation projects

The Institute also contributes to the development of technological roadmaps in the clean energy sector: Solar Resources, Electric Mobility, Green Hydrogen, ...

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# TOPICS COVERED

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SOLAR  
PHOTOVOLTAIC



CONCENTRATED  
SOLAR POWER



SMART GRIDS



ENERGY STORAGE



WIND POWER



BIO MASS



HYDROGEN &  
POWER-TO-X



ENERGY  
EFFICIENCY



GREEN BUILDING &  
SUSTAINABLE  
CONSTRUCTION



CITY OF THE  
FUTURE



SUSTAINABLE  
MOBILITY



WATER-ENERGY-  
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# GREEN H2A R&D PLATFORM INNOVATION TO CO-LOCALIZE PTX INDUSTRY



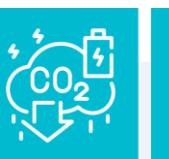
RENEWABLE ENERGY HYBRIDIZATION



HYDROGEN PRODUCTION,  
TRANSPORT &  
STORAGE



GREEN CHEMISTRY



CARBON CAPTURE,  
STORAGE AND  
APPLICATIONS



MOBILITY ON  
HYDROGEN



LOHC Platform

(Oxy-) Combustion Platform:  
Mobility & Electricity Production  
(Hydrogen, Ammonia, eFuels, etc.)

Hydrogen Refueling Station

Green Ammonia Platform

Green Methanol Platform

PtL Platform:  
Carbon Capture / Fischer  
Tropsh / Refining

MAIN BUILDING  
Indoor Laboratories  
& Offices

H2 Multi-Technology Electrolysers Platform  
(Alcalin, PEM, SOEC, etc.)



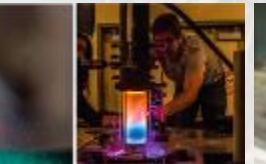
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Electrolysis & Fuel  
Cell Lab.  
**PEM-ALC**



Electrolysis & High  
Temp. Fuel Cell Lab.  
**SOEC-SOFC**



Synthetic Fuels Lab.  
**PtL**



Combustion Lab.  
**COMB**



Water Splitting Lab.  
**WATER SPLITTING**

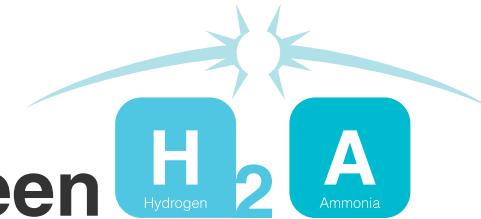


Hydrogen Mobility  
Lab.  
**E-H<sub>2</sub>**



Chemistry &  
Materials  
Formulation Lab.  
**CHEM**

# GREEN H2A R&D PLATFORM INNOVATION TO CO-LOCALIZE PTX INDUSTRY



## TRL 1 - 3

Test range:  
1kW - 50kW  
1g - 1kg



R&D  
UM6P / IRESEN  
and other universities

## TRL 4 - 7

Test range:  
~5MW  
~1 tpd  
2021



R&D pilot projects  
GreenH2A

## TRL 8 - 9

Test range:  
~10MW - 100MW  
~100 tpd - 1000 tpd  
*mid term*



INDUSTRIAL  
Up-Scaling

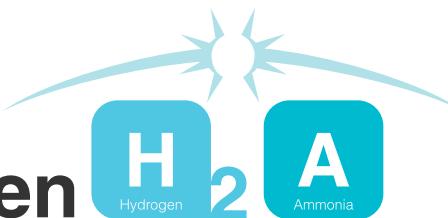
Med-  
integration

>1GW  
>1000 tpd  
*long term*



*other  
industries*

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ÉCONOMIE

Hydrogène vert : L'installation du système Power-to-X μPilot achevée

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RECEVOIR NOTRE NEWSLETTER S'abonner

LIRESEN installe son 1er système de production d'hydrogène vert à l'échelle Micro-Pilote

ROLAND AMOUSSOU - 14 SEPTEMBRE 2022



## L'IRESEN présente un électrolyseur alimenté en énergie solaire

Dans le cadre de son projet « Power-to-X μPilot », développé avec l'Université Mohammed VI Polytechnique (UM6P) au Maroc, l'institut va tester son premier électrolyseur sous charge variable d'électricité renouvelable. Le projet pilote se veut un outil de recherche et d'innovation et un élément central dans la mise en place de formations techniques et technologiques sur l'hydrogène vert au Proche-Orient et en Afrique.

SEPTEMBRE 19, 2022 MARIE BEYER

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## PtX μPilot unit: Research & Capacity Building



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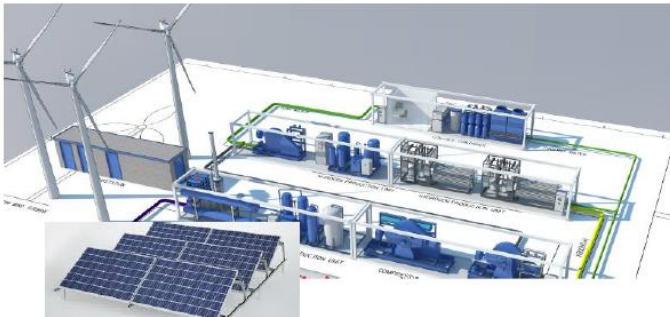


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Capacity Building & Dissemination:



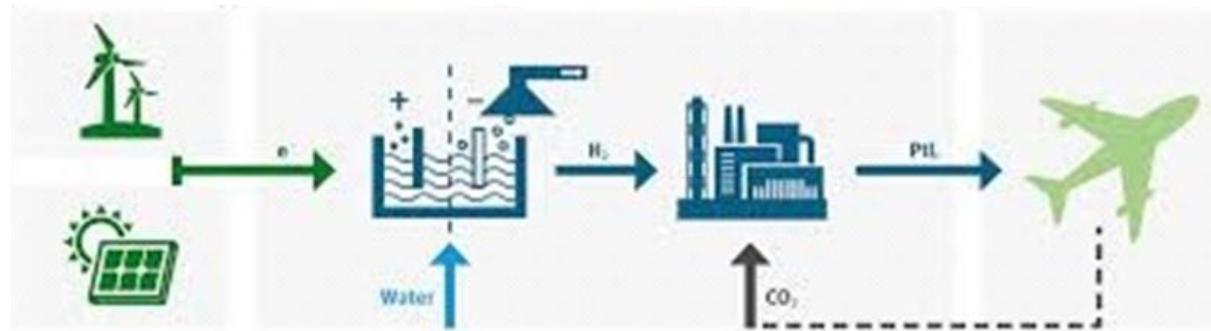
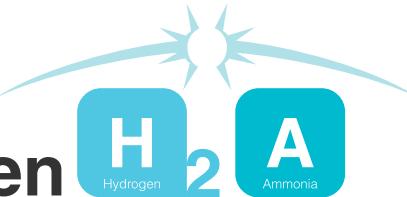
# GREEN H2A R&D PLATFORM INNOVATION TO CO-LOCALIZE PTX INDUSTRY



- Project « Green Ammonia Pilot Plant »
- Capacity : ~ 4 MWe || ~4Tonnes/jour
- Objectives:
  - Assessment of technologies
  - Scale-Up feasibility



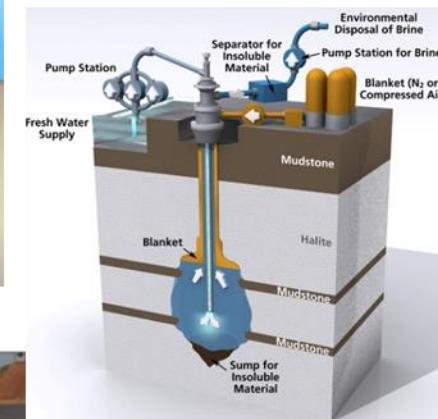
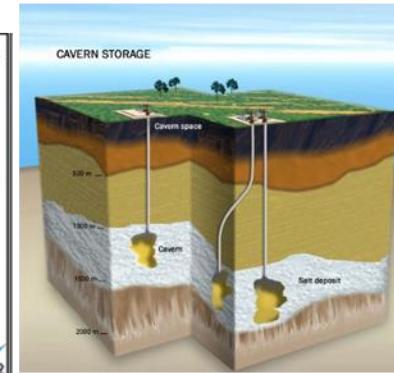
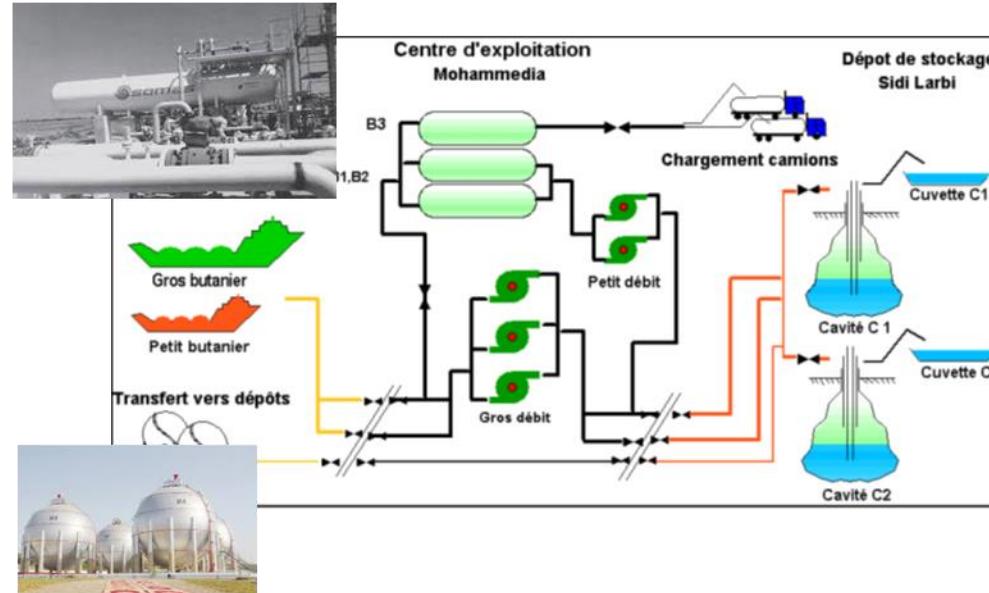
# GREEN H<sub>2</sub>A R&D PLATFORM INNOVATION TO CO-LOCALIZE PTX INDUSTRY



- Project « PtX Pathways » (Power-To-Liquid – PtL)
- Capacity: ~ 1 MWe || ~100kg-1ton/day
- Objectives:
  - Technology Assessment
  - Scale-Up Perspectives
  - Applications: Local Market and Exports



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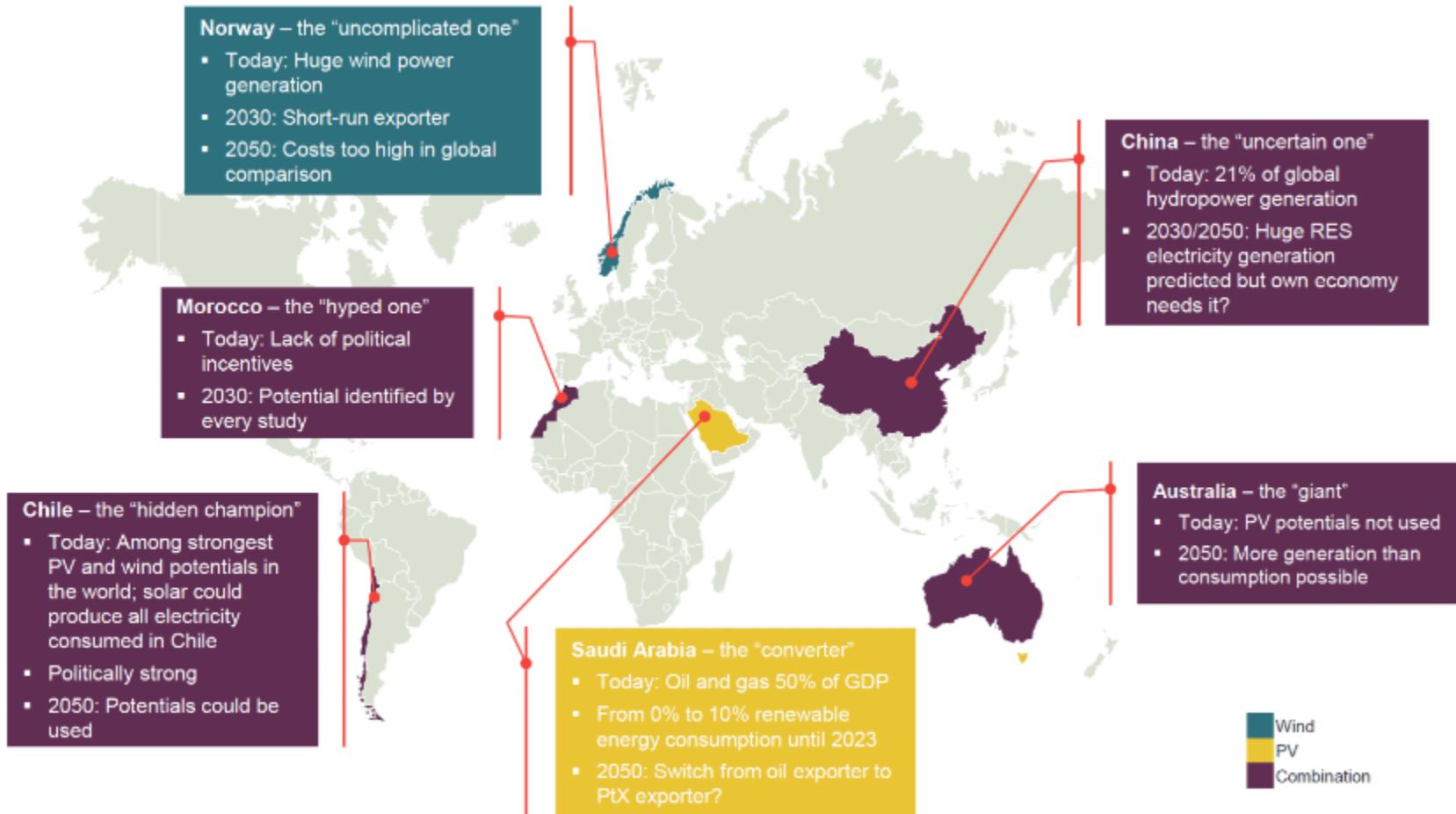


- Projekt « MELHY »
- Objective: Feasibility Study of Storing Green Hydrogen in Moroccan Salt Caverns

# HYDROGÈNE VERT AU MAROC : CHEMIN PARCOURU À CE JOUR

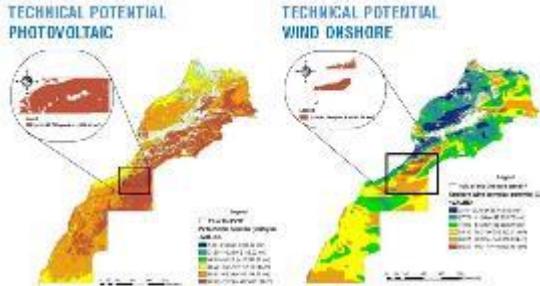
# EXPORT POTENTIAL FOR PTX PRODUCTS: FRONTRUNNER POSITION

Source : World Energy Council Germany, Frontier Economics 2018 Study  
Fraunhofer ISI, Etude Opportunités PtX pour le Maroc, 2019



# MOROCCAN POSITIVE CONTEXT

## HIGH REN. POTENTIAL



	Photovoltaic (PV)	Wind Onshore
Technical Potential (TWh)	49 000	11 500
Technical Potential (GW)	20 000	6 000
5% of the Tech. Pol. (GW)	1 000	300

## STRONG POLITICAL SUPPORT & INTERNATIONAL PARTNERSHIP



## SUCCESSFUL DEPLOY. OF REN.



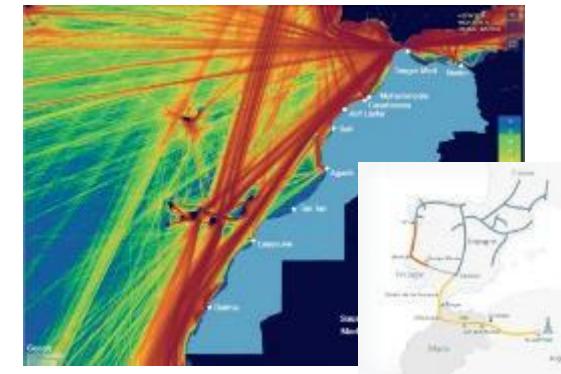
## GROWING R&D INFRASTRUCTURE AND CAPACITY BUILDING



## INVOLVEMENT OF THE INDUSTRY AND THE PRIVATE SECTOR

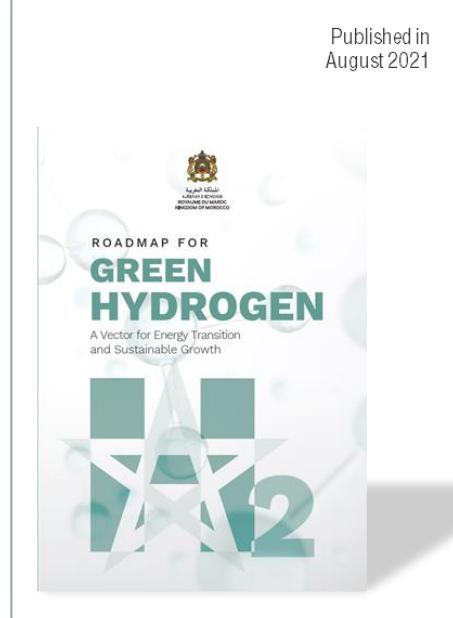


## STRONG PROXIMITY + MARITIME & GAS CONNECTIVITY WITH EU



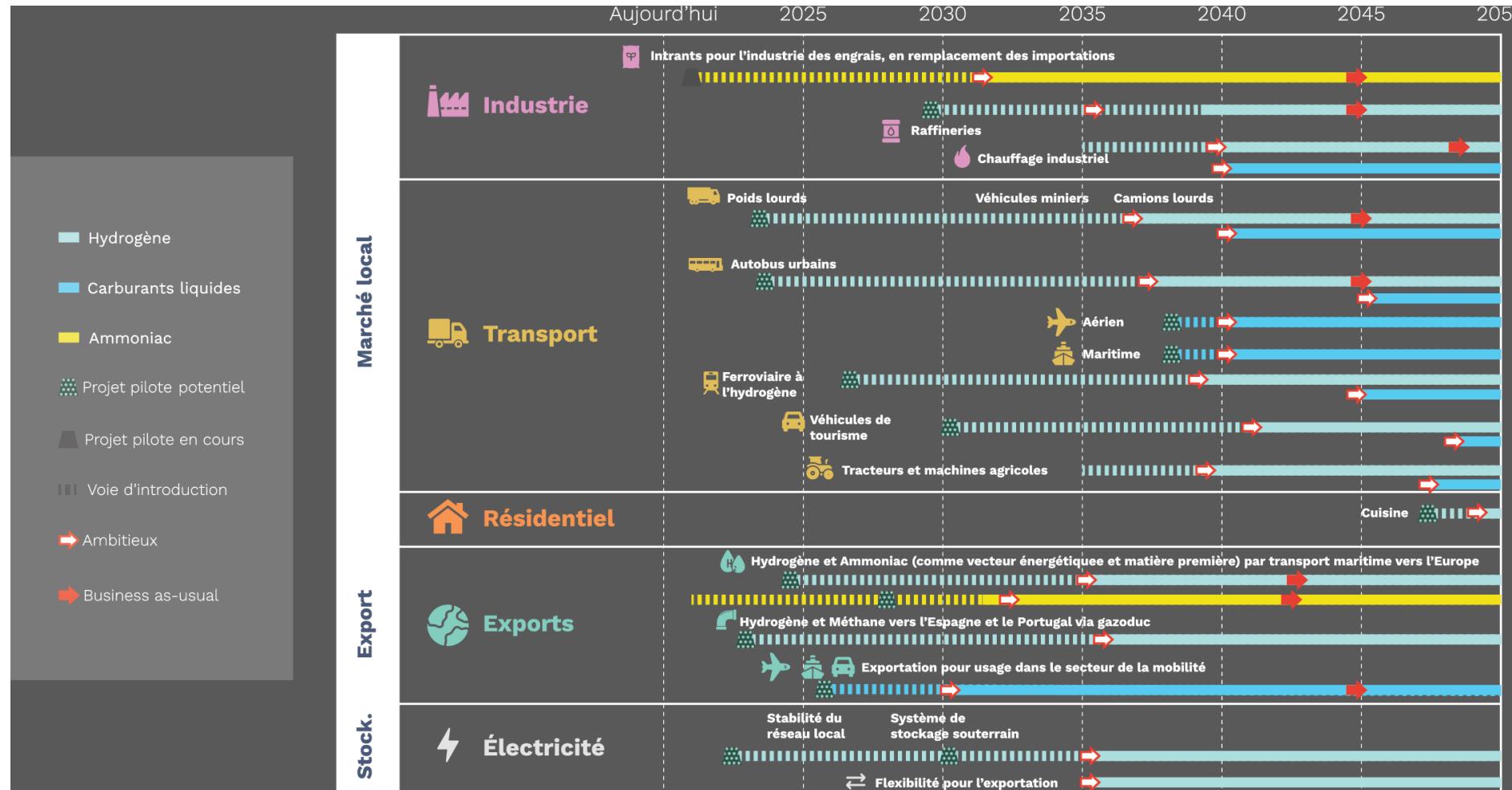
# GREEN HYDROGEN IN MOROCCO: FIRST STEPS, INITIATIVES & DRIVERS

3 important studies conducted since 2018 on « H2 - Power to X in Morocco »

MARKET & TECHNOLOGIES	OPPORTUNITIES & POTENTIAL FOR MOROCCO	MOROCCO'S PTX 2050 ROADMAP	NATIONAL GREEN H2 STRATEGY
with  <b>Fraunhofer</b> <b>IMWIS</b> <b>Keywords:</b> Electrolysis, Green Hydrogen & Ammonia	with  <b>Fraunhofer</b> <b>ISI</b> <b>Keywords:</b> H2 / PtX Potential, Grid, Infrastructure, Impact, Exports	with  <b>frontier</b> <b>economics</b> <b>Keywords:</b> R&D, Innovation & Industrial opportunities	Published in August 2021 
 <b>MOROCCO-EU Partnership</b> Morocco signed an agreement with Germany in June 2020 ,to develop a regional market of PtX  	 <b>Creation of a National Commission for Power-to-X by the Moroccan Energy Ministry on Feb. 11th, 2019</b>	 <b>Creation of an industrial Green Hydrogen Cluster</b>	

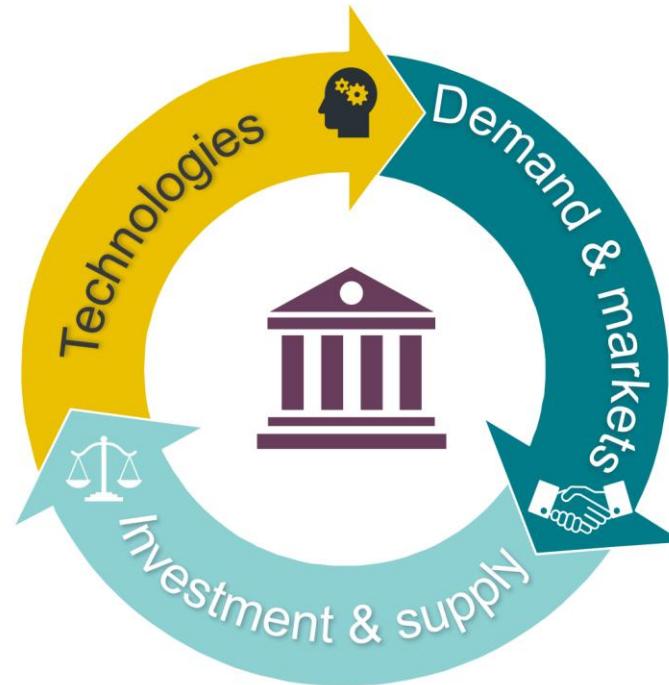
# GREEN HYDROGEN IN MOROCCO: ROADMAP (1/4)

## Market Opportunities & Applications



# GREEN HYDROGEN IN MOROCCO: ROADMAP (2/4)

## Sustainable framework to develop the **PtX industry** in Morocco & **Action Plan**



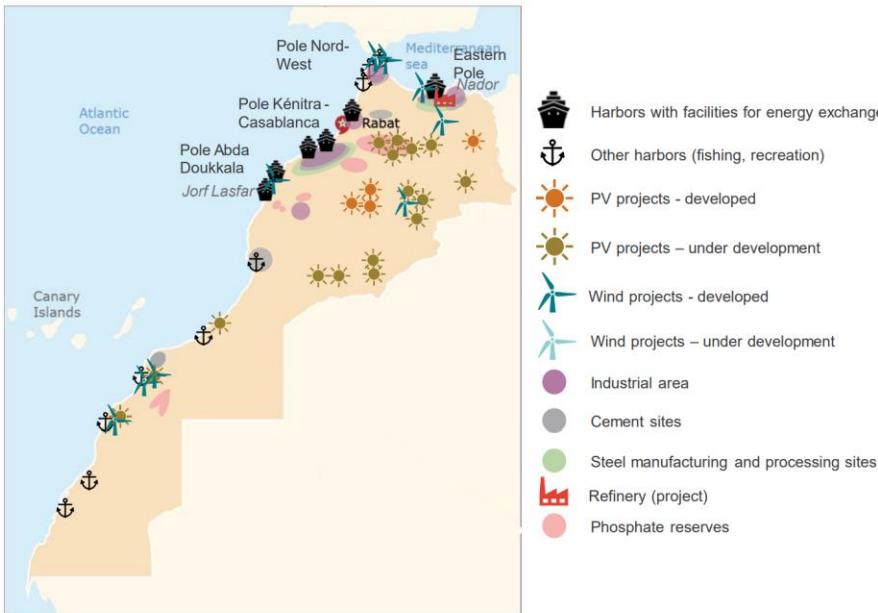
- 1 Facilitating costs reduction along the PtX value chain.
- 2 R&D: Setting-up a Moroccan and international research cluster.
- 3 Defining the relevant measures for local content.
- 4 Setting-up an industry cluster and develop related infrastructure masterplan.
- 5 Securing financing to developing the PtX industry.
- 6 Creating the conditions for exporting PtX products from Morocco.
- 7 Assessing in detail a storage plan for the electricity sector.
- 8 Developing domestic markets.

# GREEN HYDROGEN IN MOROCCO: ROADMAP (3/4)

## Set up an Industry Cluster & develop related infrastructure masterplan

### Location of renewable energy sources, industry and ports

Source : Frontier Economics



Source: Frontier Economics based on Masen (2020) for RES deployment, the Ministry of Industry (2020) for industry location, Ministry of Transport (2011) for harbours , Ayad, A. et al. (2019) for phosphate reserves and CemNet (n.d.) for cement sites.

- The locational array of the PtX industry strongly determines infrastructure requirements and associated costs.
- Developing the industry in clusters may enable synergies in the use of infrastructure and lead to cost savings.
- Four options appear possible for Morocco:

Cluster	Drivers of cost differences				
	RES-E generation	RES-E transport	Carbon procureme	Hydrogen pipeline	Harbor adaption
South-South					
South-North (via H2)					
South-North (via electricity)					
North-North					

### Recommended actions (short term)

- Conducting technical and cost studies to choose the cluster (or clusters) and its **related infrastructure**.
- Including **PtX** in “Special Economic Zones” (**SEZ**), define its legal framework and market design
- Assessing grid needs** and lead the dialogue on PtX grid access terms

# GREEN HYDROGEN IN MOROCCO: ROADMAP (4/4)



The main object of the GreenH2 Cluster is to promote the hydrogen sector in Morocco through the initiation, support and coordination of innovative collaborative projects in the field of green hydrogen in the Kingdom of Morocco and abroad, in order to encourage innovation and contributing to the emergence of a competitive hydrogen sector.



Strengthen the technical and technological capacities of national players to produce, use and enhance hydrogen



Develop innovation in the hydrogen sector



Supporting national industries



Support the National Hydrogen Commission in creating a regulatory and incentive framework for the development of the hydrogen industry



Encourage and develop the production of hydrogen in Morocco



Contribute to the promotion of Moroccan hydrogen on a regional and international scale



# “GREENH2 MAROC” CLUSTER

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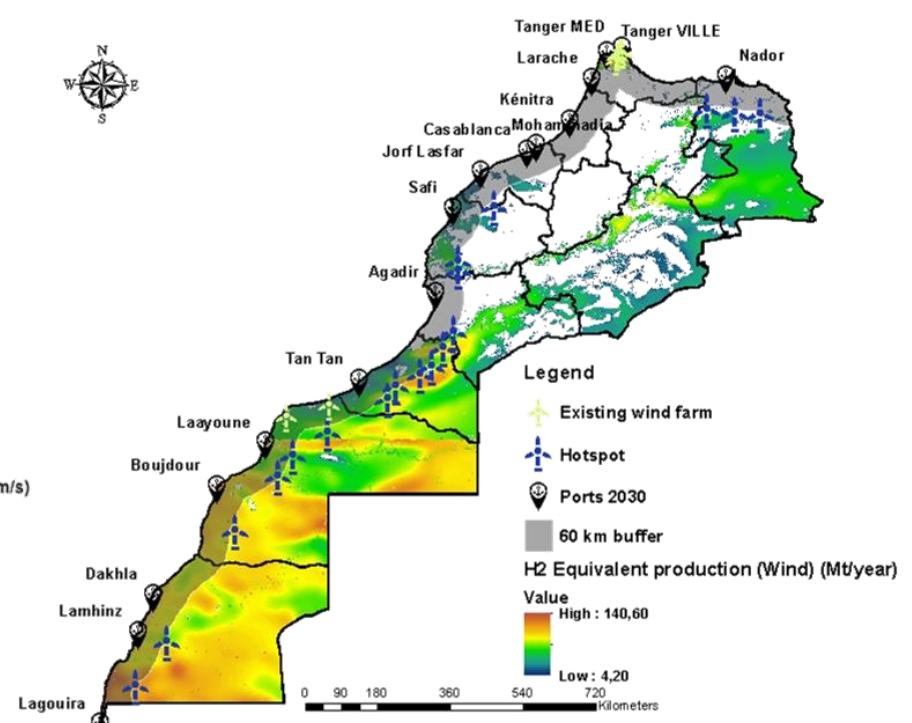
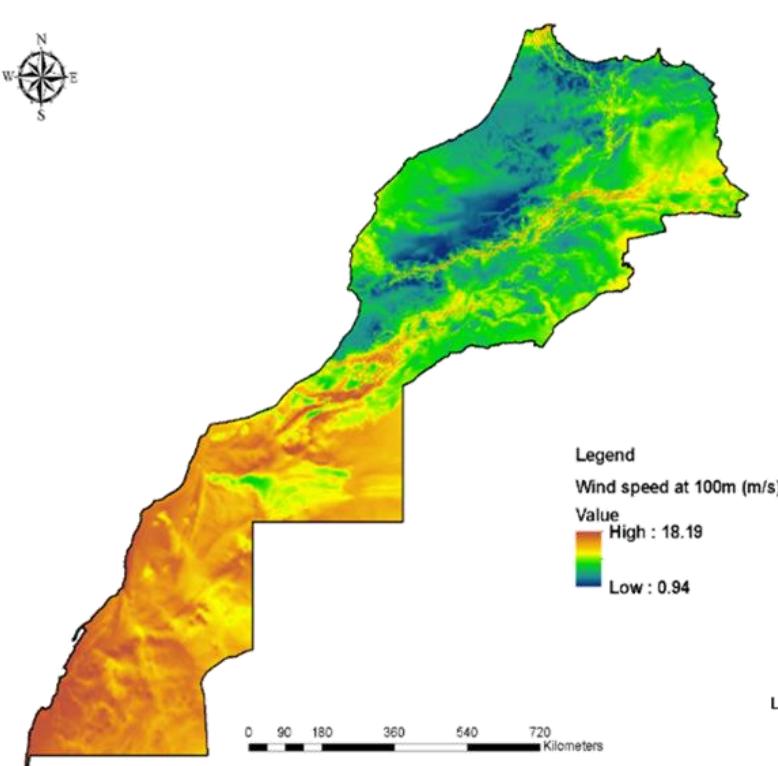
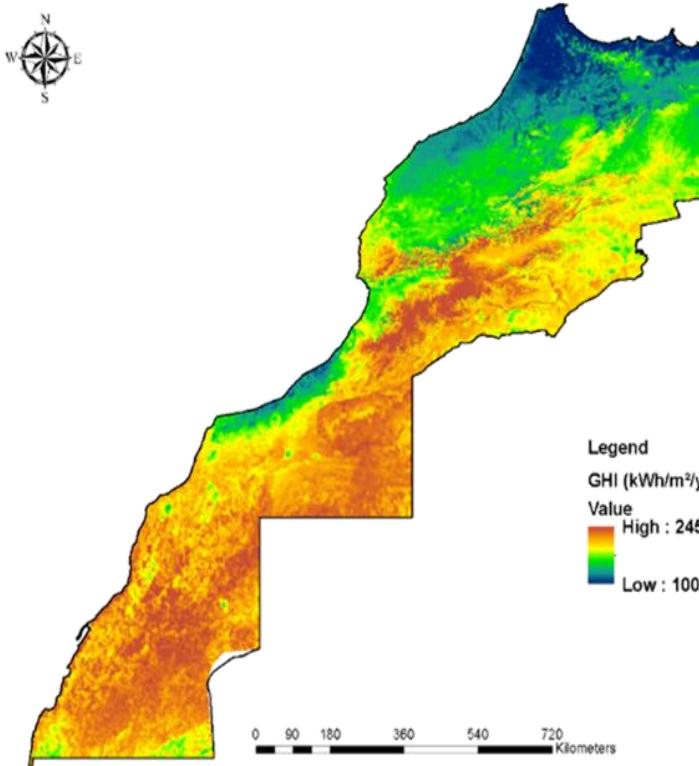
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# HYDROGÈNE VERT AU MAROC : LE POTENTIEL ET LES OPPORTUNITÉS

# POTENTIAL GREEN HYDROGEN VALLEYS IN MOROCCO



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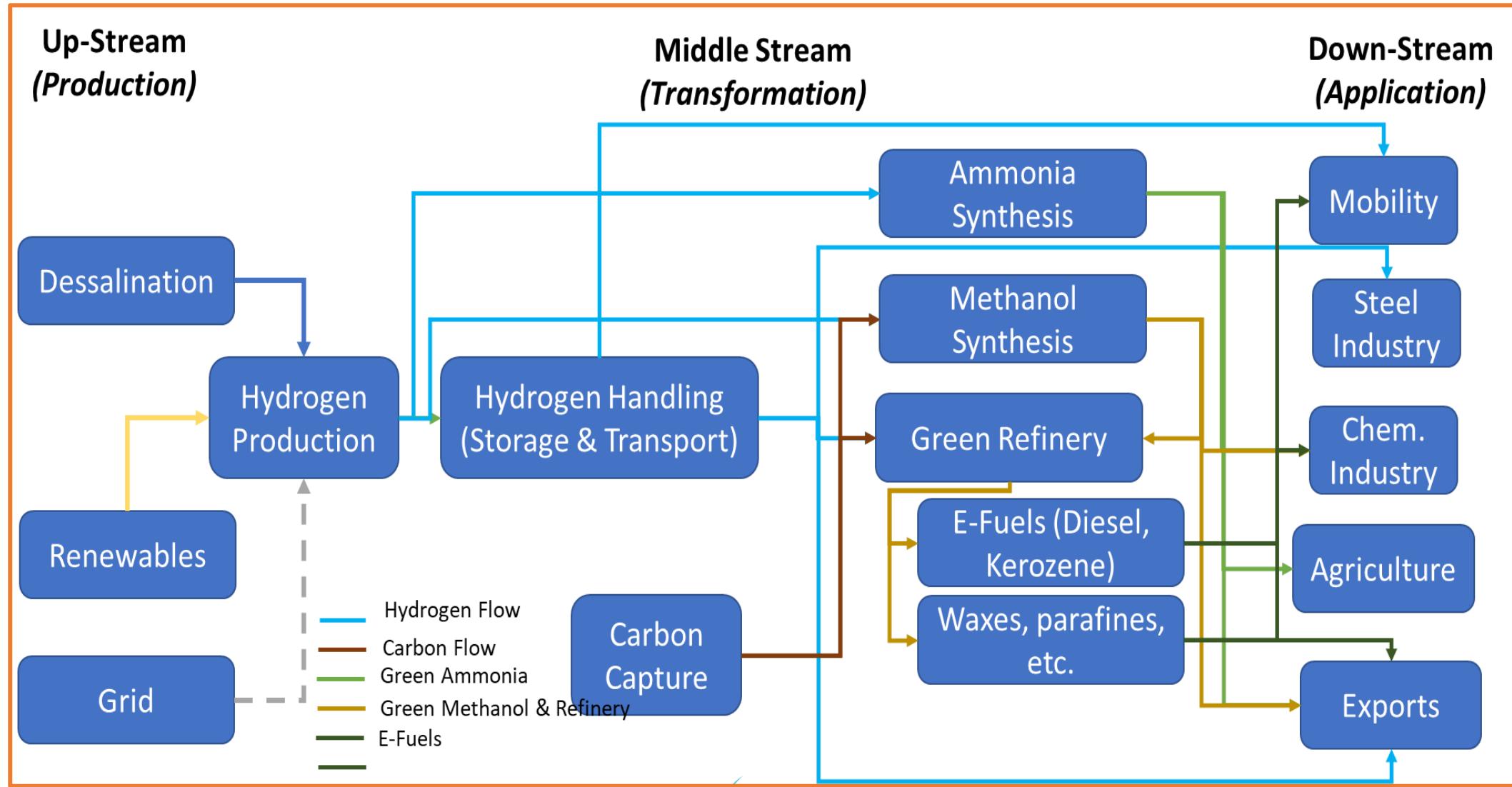


: Carte du rayonnement solaire global

Carte de la vitesse du vent

Superposition + Infrastructure portuaire

# HYDROGÈNE VERT: UNE CHAÎNE DE VALEUR INDUSTRIELLE



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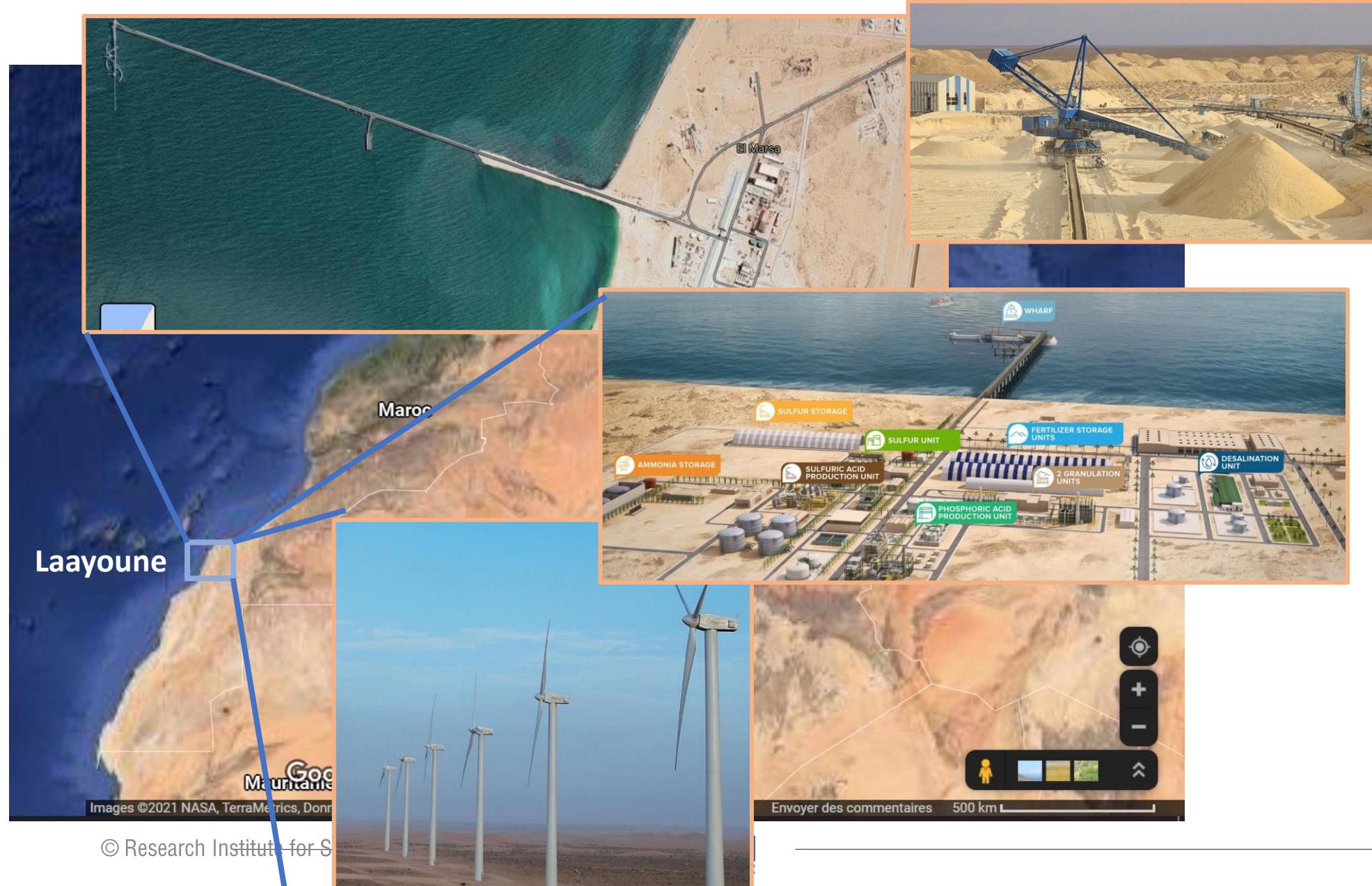
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# HYDROGÈNE VERT AU MAROC: CONCLUSIONS

- Le Maroc possède un grand potentiel pour produire des molécules vertes à un coût compétitif
- Le Maroc a été pionnier et proactif dans la région pour l'exploration de son potentiel et de préparer les étapes nécessaires pour le déploiement de cette économie à forte valeur ajoutée
- Suite à la réunion du 22/11/2022, SM Le Roi que Dieu l'Assiste a donné Ses Hautes Instructions pour préparer l'Offre Maroc de l'Hydrogène Vert sur l'ensemble de la chaîne de valeur



# HYDROGÈNE VERT AU MAROC: PERSPECTIVES

- Exporter des molécules industrielle à haute valeur ajoutée (Marché à terme ~\$1000 Mds)
- Décarboner l'économie locale:
  - Exemple → Annonce du dernier plan d'investissement du Groupe OCP:
  - 1MT d'Ammoniac Vert d'ici 2027, ~ 4GW de Puissance Renouvelables, ~ 2GW de Capacité d'Electrolyse
- Co-Localisation d'une chaîne de valeur industrielle : pointue, propre et à fort Impact!
  - Annonce de la 'Gigafactory' d'Electrolyseurs de John Cockerill (04/01/2023)
  - Perspectives: Industrie EnR, Dessalement, Acier, Methanol et Chimie Lourde, etc.



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**John Cockerill investit dans la filière hydrogène au Maroc**

Après un investissement annoncé sur ses terres liégeoises, John Cockerill conclut un accord stratégique pour développer la filière hydrogène au Maroc. ©Valentin Bianchi / Hans Lucas

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John Cockerill a conclu un accord stratégique avec une entreprise marocaine pour développer la filière hydrogène au Maroc. Point majeur de



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