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# Getting there: Hydrogen roadmaps. How can policy, research and bilateral cooperation facilitate the transition?

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## Australia's National Hydrogen Strategy

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industry.gov.au/hydrogen

### A bit of (recent) history



#### **National strategy**

"The COAG Energy Council seeks to support the development of a clean, innovative and competitive hydrogen industry that benefits all Australians and is a major global player by 2030."



#### Australia's national strategy





### Four point approach

1	<ul> <li>Understand the potential opportunity</li> </ul>	Strong competitive advantage, but several possible futures that may emerge.
2	<ul> <li>Establish an adaptive pathway</li> </ul>	Routes to capture these opportunities, respond to signs market is emerging or shifting
3	Take early action in a co-ordinated way	Things to do now to keep all possible futures open
4	<ul> <li>Review, revise, adapt</li> </ul>	Keep a strategic view of the market, be ready to adapt and change.

#### The four scenarios



Limited Export Market

**Purpose:** The National Strategy will outline pragmatic, co-ordinated government and industry actions to work towards common goals.

#### Six areas for action

- Local production capacity & demand
- Regulatory reform
- International engagement
- Attract investment
- Skills & training
- Innovation & R&D



**Commonwealth activity** 

State strategies and other activities

**Expectations of industry** 

National strategic co-ordination and market analysis

**Outcome:** A clean, innovative, safe and competitive hydrogen industry that benefits all Australians and is a major global player by 2030

### **Project momentum**



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#### **Next steps**

- Draft strategy considered by ministers from September onwards
- Strategy release anticipated December 2019.





### Hydrogen Market Opportunity in the Energy Transition Innovative Technology Solutions in Australia / NZ

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## Hydrogen (Power-to-X) Australia's Areas of Focus (based on future market potential)





Siemens Ltd 2018

#### Market Focus 2019

Sustainable pipeline of scale domestic projects will accelerate commercialization.

Investment in scale (multi-MW) domestic hydrogen applications which demonstrate the sector-coupling nature of hydrogen will support the development of a sustainable pipeline of projects on which to build experience and drive costs out.

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#### HyFlex Utilizing Gas Grid for Energy Storage







# Some notes on (green) hydrogen

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## Potential dual benefits of (green) hydrogen in the energy transition

- 1. Contribution to decarbonization in sectors that are hard to electrify directly
- 2. (Potential) Co-benefits for integrating variable renewables in the power sector
  - Flexible hydrogen generation and storage (power-to-x)
  - Long-term electrical storage (power-to-power)



## **Example for power system benefits**

Spotlight from DIW Berlin research in BMBF Kopernikus project:

- H<sub>2</sub> generation and distribution to fuel stations
- This can lower electricity costs because of cheap storage
- But: only for LH<sub>2</sub> or LOHC, not for on-site electrolysis without storage





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## But let's put hydrogen into context

Hydrogen has to be green, i.e. based on renewable electricity

Energy efficiency advantage of direct electrification

- → Lower costs
- → Lower renewable deployment needs

Rough example: electricity needed to power 1 mio passenger vehicles

- BEV: 2.6 TWh  $\rightarrow$  ~1.0 GW wind power
- FCEV: 5.5 TWh  $\rightarrow$  ~2.2 GW wind power (w/o losses for H<sub>2</sub> storage & distribution)
- $\rightarrow$  Do not maximise H<sub>2</sub> use, but focus on applications without direct electrification
- $\rightarrow$  Even more true for H<sub>2</sub>-based power-to-liquid products (e-fuels)



## Hydrogen is not a silver bullet – but it can play a positive role in the energy transition.

