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MicroGrid Applications using Liquid Fuel with Fuel Cells

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ANY FUEL



HYDROGEN

• Fuel for most heavy-duty mobility & industrial markets



METHANOL

- Option for off-grid & portable
- Interim low-cost option for mobility MARKET NOW

e-FUELS (H2 carriers)

- Low-cost hydrogen at minimal infrastructure cost
- e-Methanol, DME, LOHC

MARKET IN NEAR FUTURE







CRITICAL POWER GENERATION: H2/Methanol FUEL CELL SYSTEMS

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- Advent has shipped and deployed close to 1000 fuel cell units globally segments within the telecom industry plus for utilities and other industry segments.
- Operate at extreme conditions up to 50c and -40C

DEPLOYABLE

- Clean technology for critical backup power, temporary or continuous power 24/7
- Optional Fuel cell cabinet: independent power system.



CLEAN ENERGY

- Multifuel Option (H2, Methanol, eFuels, NG)
- No particulate pollutants or unburned hydrocarbons.
- Less carbon dioxide than other, less efficient technologies.
- e-Fuels or bio-methanol, this creates a path to significant reductions of harmful emissions.



Business Case

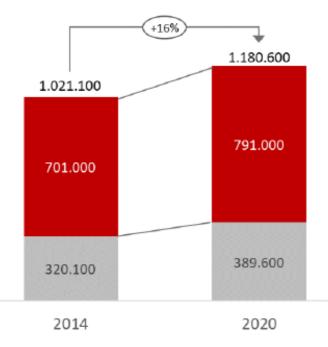
Smart Communications deploys Advent Technologies fuel cells across its Philippine telco network



Total number of off-grid and bad-grid towers:

■ off-grid towers

bad-grid towers



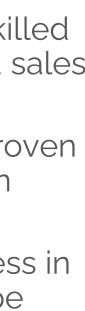
Source: GSMA, "Green Power for Mobile", Dec 2014 Bad-grid: Less than 18 h of reliable grid access per day September 1, 2021 Acquisition of Fuel cell businesses SerEnergy & Fischer Eco Solutions.



- 100+ additional highly-skilled R&D, manufacturing and sales professionals
- HT-PEM focused with proven production capabilities in Denmark & Germany
- Acceleration with business in Asia and Northern Europe markets









We Replace Diesel Generators with Serene Fuel Cells: Proven, Low-Cost, Green Solution

Ready to Use Today

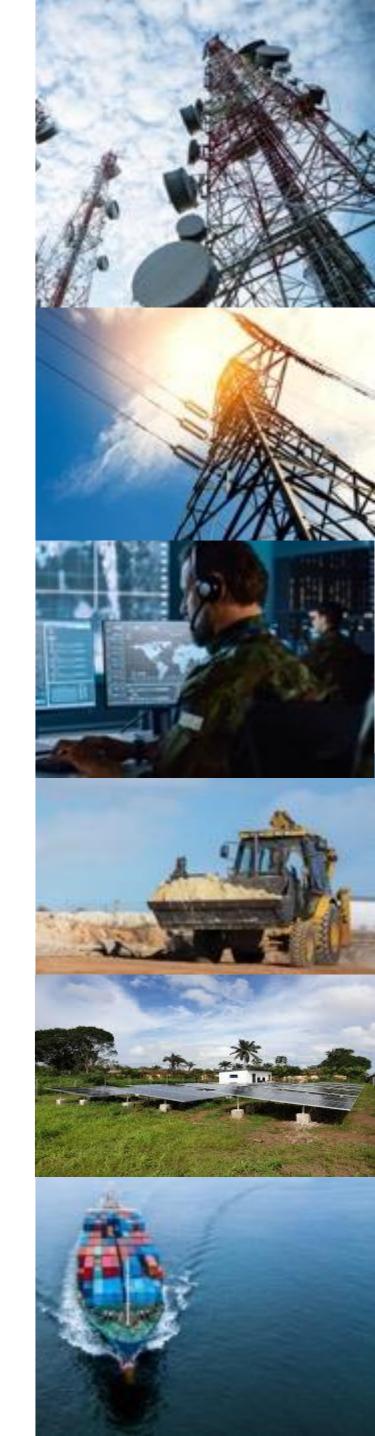




Ready for the Future HYDROGEN/eFUELS

Mobile Operators Tower Companies Critical Infrastructure **Energy Service Cos** Construction Utilities Microgrids Government Defense Marine

POWER



THE STORY OF THE MISSING LINK IN MICROGRIDS





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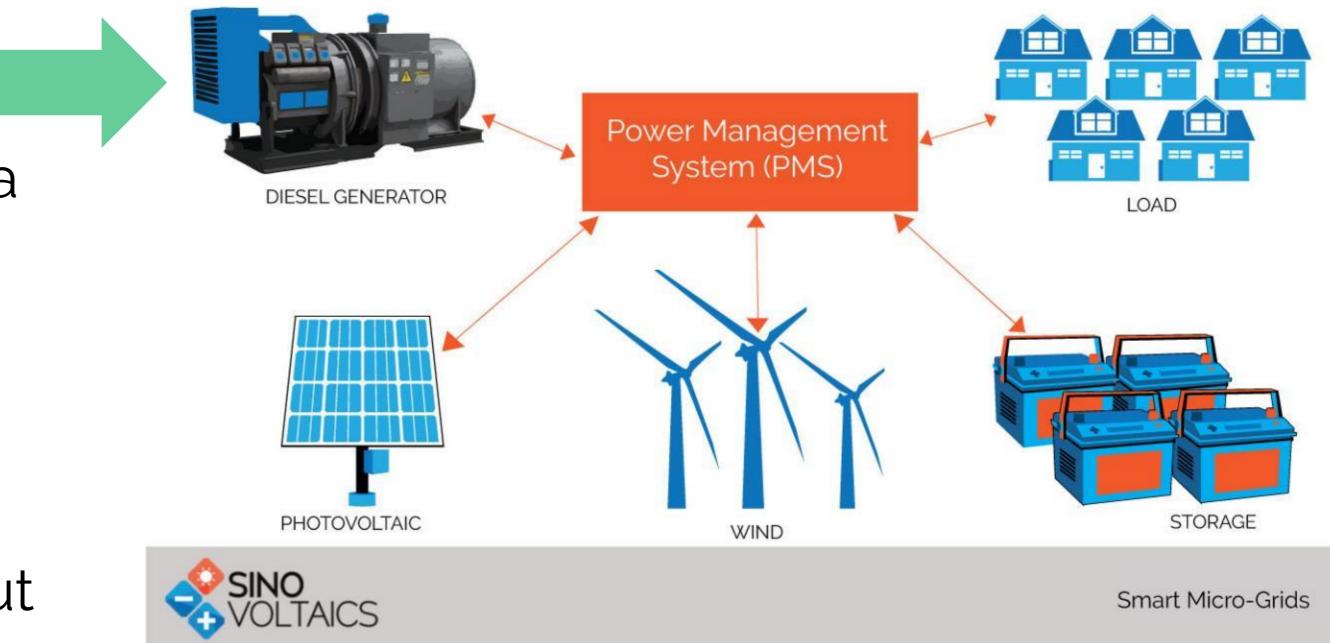
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MICROGRIDS AND RENEWABLE ENERGY – THE CONUNDRUM

- Renewable Microgrids allow for shorter distribution networks will allow for less losses and less potential for failure
- Using Solar or Wind (if available) in Asia and possibly a little wind are great solutions, bridging with some batteries for a few hours But what about the evening load ??
- Batteries can take some of that load but aren't a solution for the whole evening and are not really that green



This Microgrid isn't Really Renewable



"What's wrong with this picture ??"





THERE IS ANOTHER FUEL THAT CAN REPLACE DIESEL

- Currently distribution of hydrogen is diffcult or not readily available
- Fuel cells that use an easily available liquid like methanol can be an interim solution to provide critical back up power
- Low weight and footprint compared to \bullet hydrogen storage in bundles of cylinders.



Renewable Methanol

Comparison of energy content after convertion into electricity

50 L compressed Hydrogen and Fuel cell n _{eff.} = 50%	44 MJ
16 pcs. 840 Wh Lead-acid batteries, n _{eff.} = 90%	48 MJ
7 L Methanol, reformer og fuel cell, neff. = 40%	45 MJ

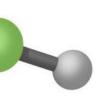


50 L H₂ @ 200 bar +50 L og 63 kg

16 pcs. Lead-acid batteries 192 L og 461 kg

Methanol (CH₃OH) 7 L og 5,5 kg

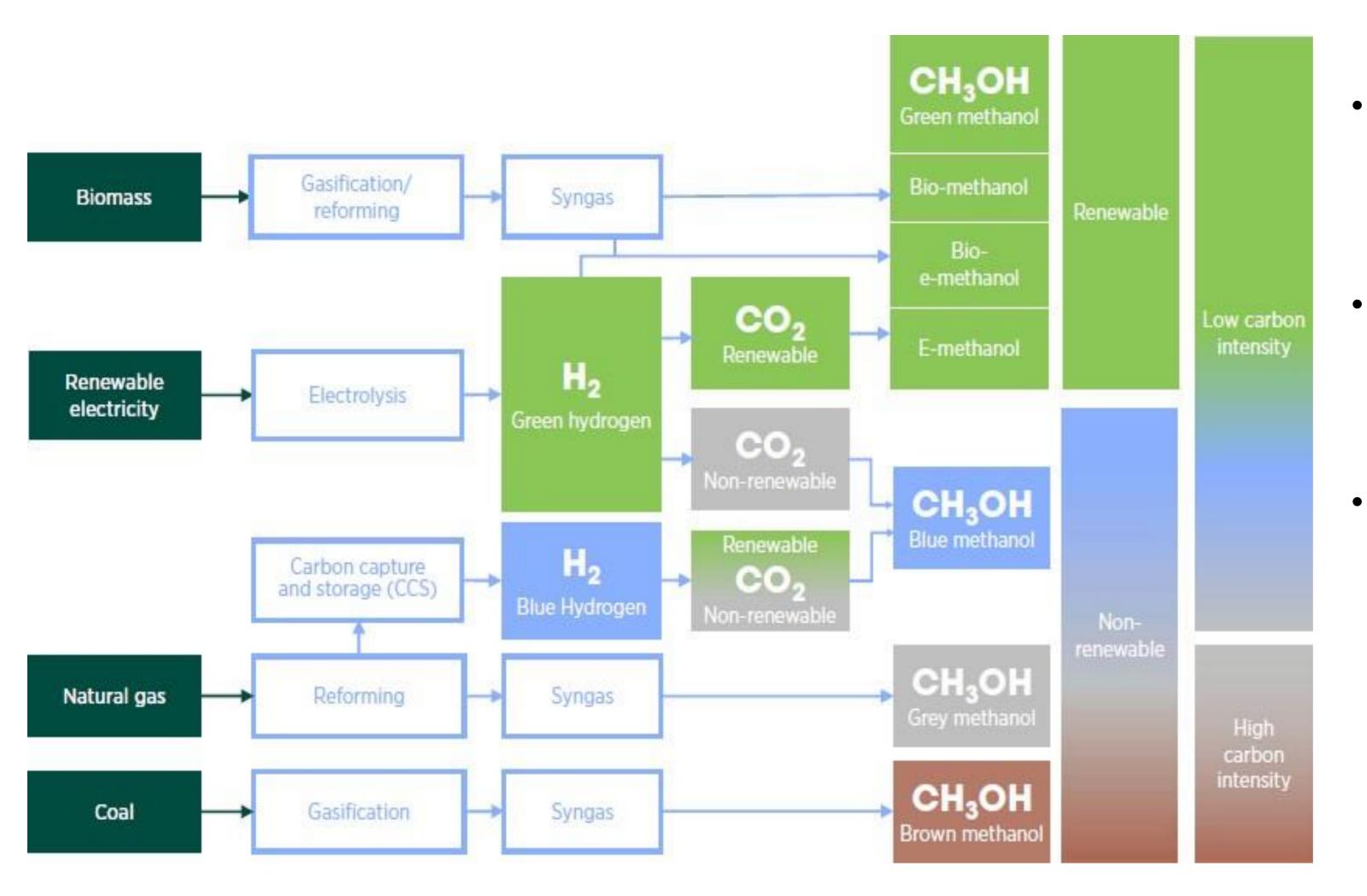
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METHANOL – THE FUEL OF THE FUTURE



Note: Ammonia is 12,000 to 15,000 more toxic in water than Methanol



- Interest in "green" methanol is growing due to its ability to be an extremely low-carbon fuel and chemical
- IRENA projected that by 2050, 250 MMT of emethanoland 135 M M T of bio-methanol will be produced annually
- As a liquid fuel, methanol's handling and utilization is not very different from conventional fuels, Its even Safer !!







FUEL CELLS ALLOW FOR RESILIE

- Fuel cells offer a viable alternative to diesel generators
- Offering a cost effective TCO of 2-6 years in most cases
- They are more reliable, ulletneed less maintenance, quite, don't vibrate and are Green
- With liquid fuel, is it also easily a replacement with existing generators

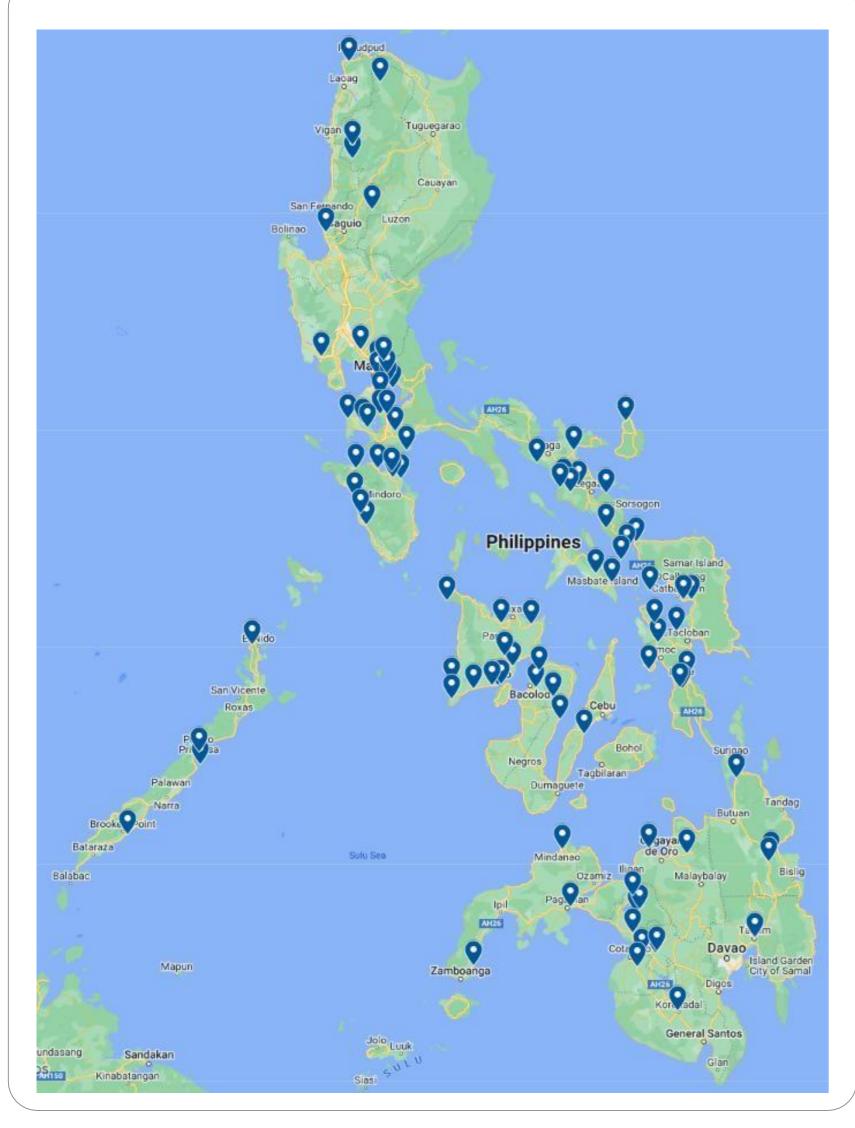
Maintenance		
Resilience		
Duration		
CO2		
emissions		
Recycling		
Noise		
Footprint		
Theft		



Diesel Generator	Batteries	Fuel Cell
6-8 times per year	2-3 times per year	1 time per year
Good	Intolerant	- 20°C to 50°C
Just add fuel	1-2 hours	Just add fuel
Highest emissions & pollutants	Grid-based (20% - 40%) reduction	80%-100% emissions reduction
No recycling of system	Expensive and difficult to be recycled	Easily recycled
High over 100db	Negligible	Under 50db
Large	Large	Small
High	High	Negligible



PHILIPPINES – HUNDREDS OF SITES IN OPERATION



- (over 800 systems)
- country

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• Our experience in the Philippines over 6 years

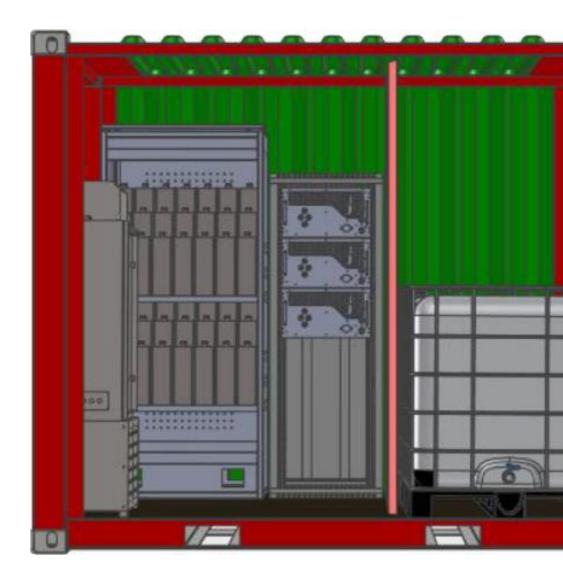
> Deploying back up systems to allow for reliable communication systems in that



FUEL CELLS WITH LIQUID FUELS ARE EASILY PORTABLE





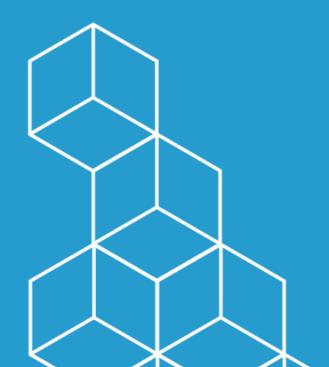








OTHER EXAMPLES THAT CAN BE USED IN THE FUTURE





CASE STUDY: FELDHEIM GERMANY

- With Germany's centre right initiative toward energy independence by 2035!
- 'Energiewende' or energy independence is being expedited with the Invasion of Ukraine
- Felheim Germany went one step further by building their own grid from :
 - Solar Farm
 - Wind Farm
 - Biogas plant
- Initial legal challenges but eventually the town became 100% off grid by
- Now exports 250 times the energy it uses and was 100% renewable since 2013
 - Initial connection fee of 3000 euro



Germany's renewable village

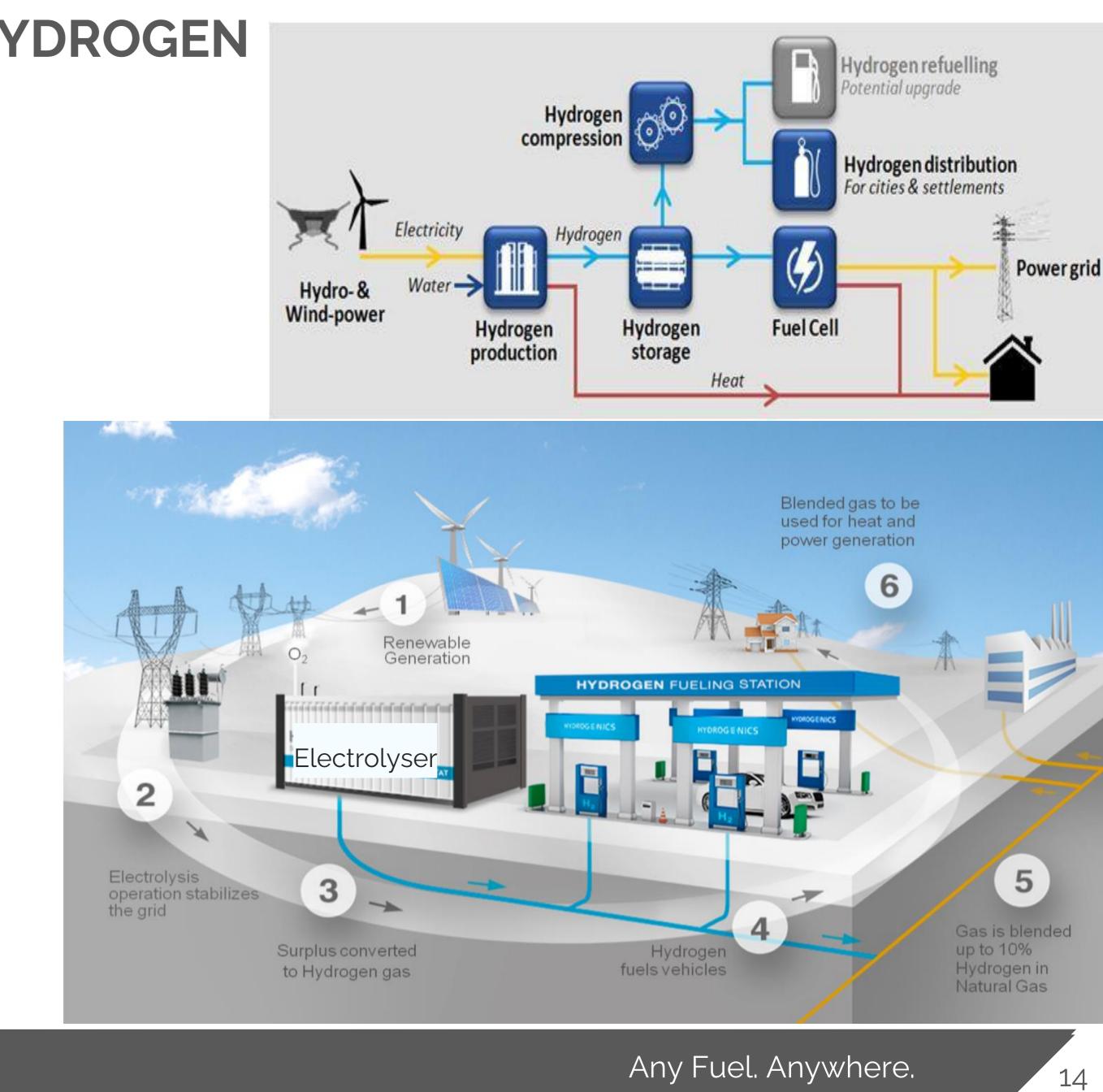




FUTURE GRID : RENEWABLES & HYDROGEN

- Integrating renewables allow for not only local generation but also local supply of fuel
- Integrating local peak solar or wind can allow for local generation of hydrogen
- Hydrogen can fuel vehicles, used in fuel cells or can be used in local industrial processes







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Thank you for your attention

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