



FUEL CELLS AND HYDROGEN
JOINT UNDERTAKING

**Opportunities
from the inclusion
of
Hydrogen
in National Energy
& Climate Plans**

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PROJECT OBJECTIVE and SCOPE



Objective of the study commissioned by FCH

JU:

Identify opportunities for hydrogen energy technologies to contribute to achieving the climate and energy targets of the EU and its Member States effectively and efficiently

Study team:

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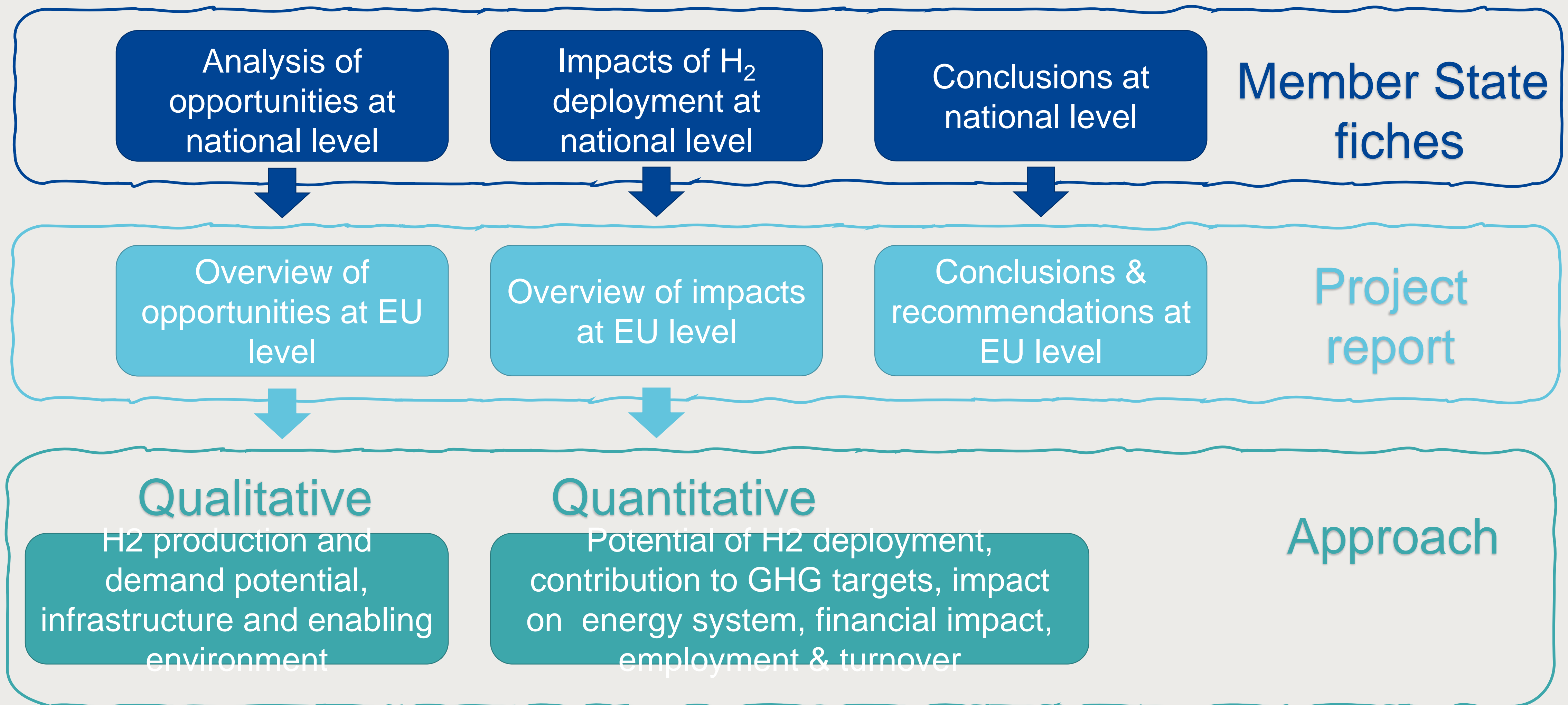
Scope:

- EU28, with Member State focus
- Up to 2030
- Renewable & low-carbon hydrogen



Methodology & Deliverables

What will be the outcome of this project?



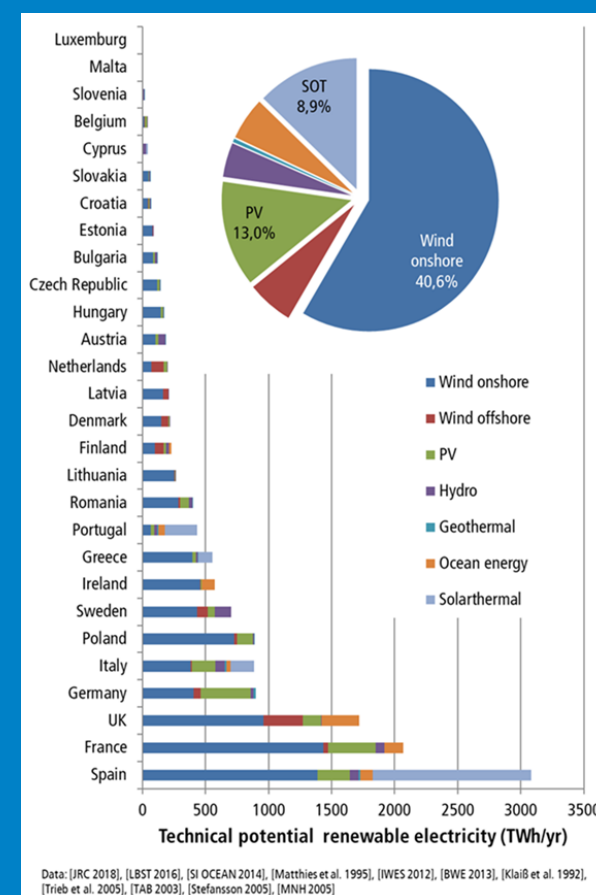
Approach towards opportunity analysis

Assessment of opportunities for hydrogen development across four aspects using indicators



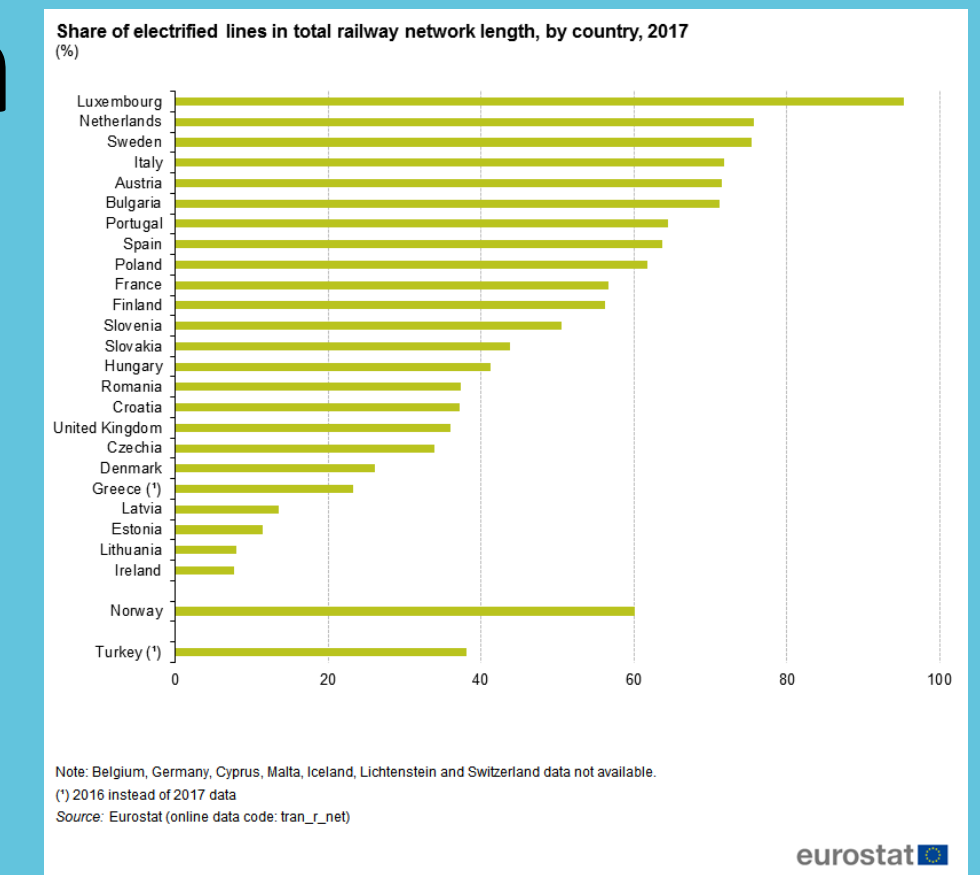
Hydrogen Production Potential

Potential for intermittent renewable electricity



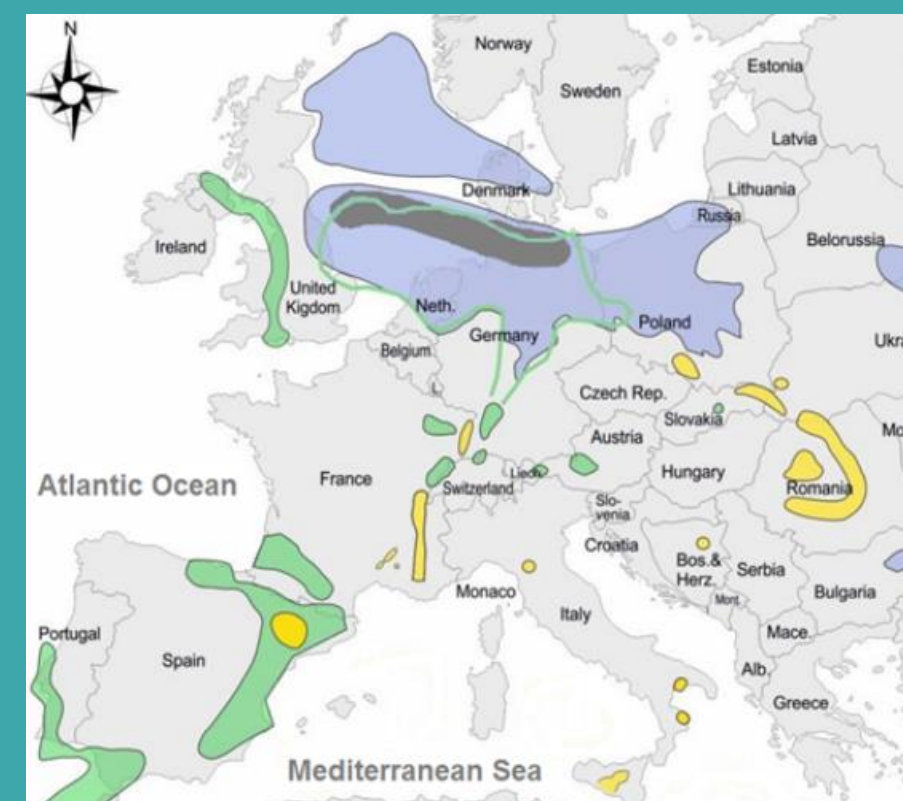
Potential Hydrogen Demand

Non-electrified rail transport



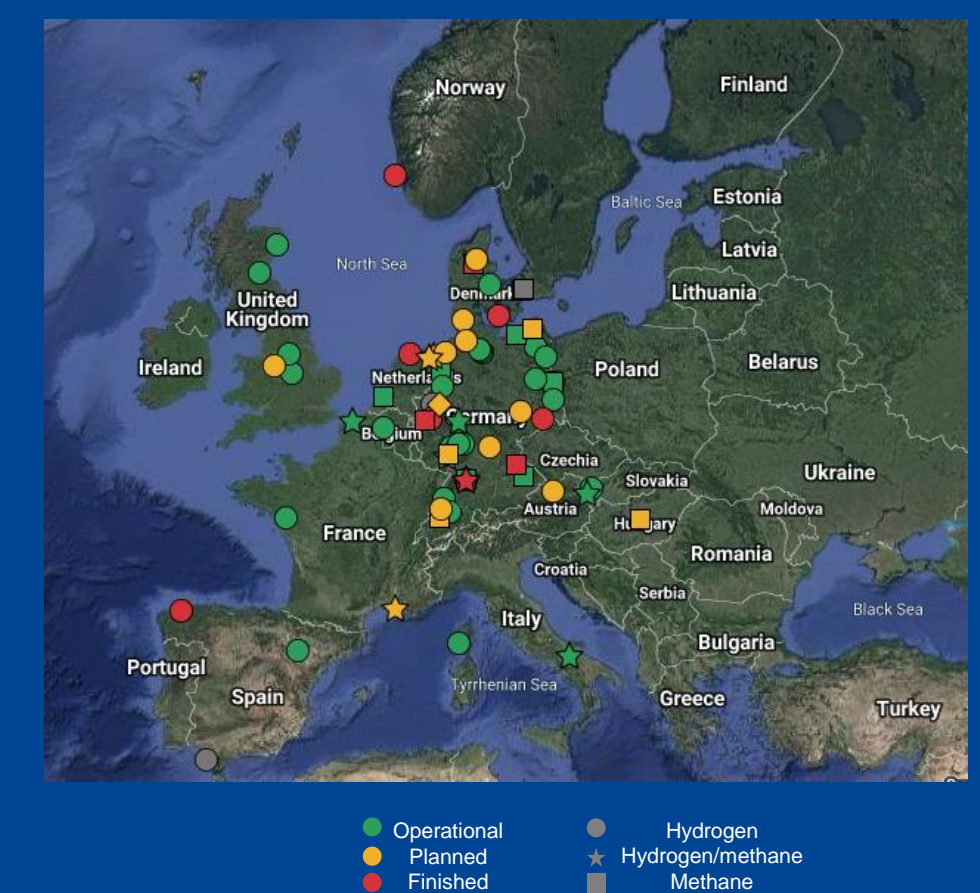
Energy infrastructure

Suitable geological formations for H₂ storage



Enabling Environment




Power-to-gas projects



Preliminary opportunity analysis results for some MS

Example: Potential Hydrogen Demand



		France	Slovenia	Greece
<div>Industry</div> <div></div>	Existing H2 use	Ammonia & refineries	-	Ammonia & refineries
	Potential future H2 use	Primary steel	-	-
	Demand for high temperature heat	36%	30%	32%
	Share of natural gas use	37%	34%	21%
<div>Built Environment</div> <div></div>	Share of natural gas use	29%	10%	8%
	Demand for heating	69%	80%	57%
	Demand for cooling	2%	2%	7%
<div>Transport</div> <div></div>	Fossil fuel use in rail	15%	33%	72%
	Fossil fuel use in road	92%	98%	97%
	International shipping	3.6%	8.3%	36.7%



*Energy use by international shipping relative to total (domestic) final energy use in transport

Preliminary opportunity analysis

Example: Hydrogen production potential & its role in energy system flexibility



EU countries with opportunity to produce H₂ based on electricity 'surpluses'

- Substantially higher domestic intermittent renewable electricity **potential** than demand
- “Suitable” gas infrastructure for H₂ transport and storage

EU countries with opportunity to produce H₂ for energy system balancing

- Substantially higher installed intermittent renewable electricity **capacity** than load
- Limited other low-carbon flexibility options

EU countries with opportunity to produce H₂ based on natural gas with carbon capture

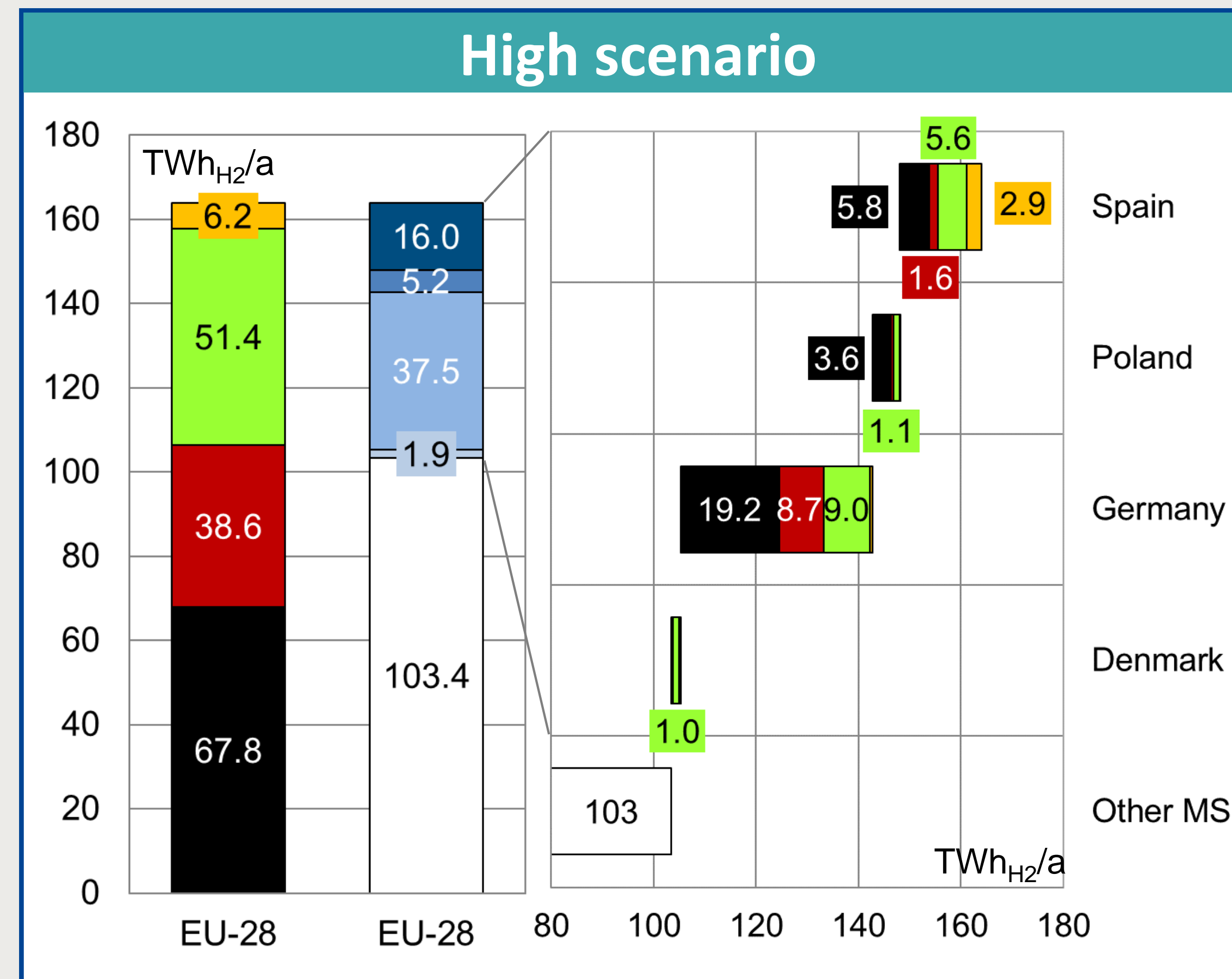
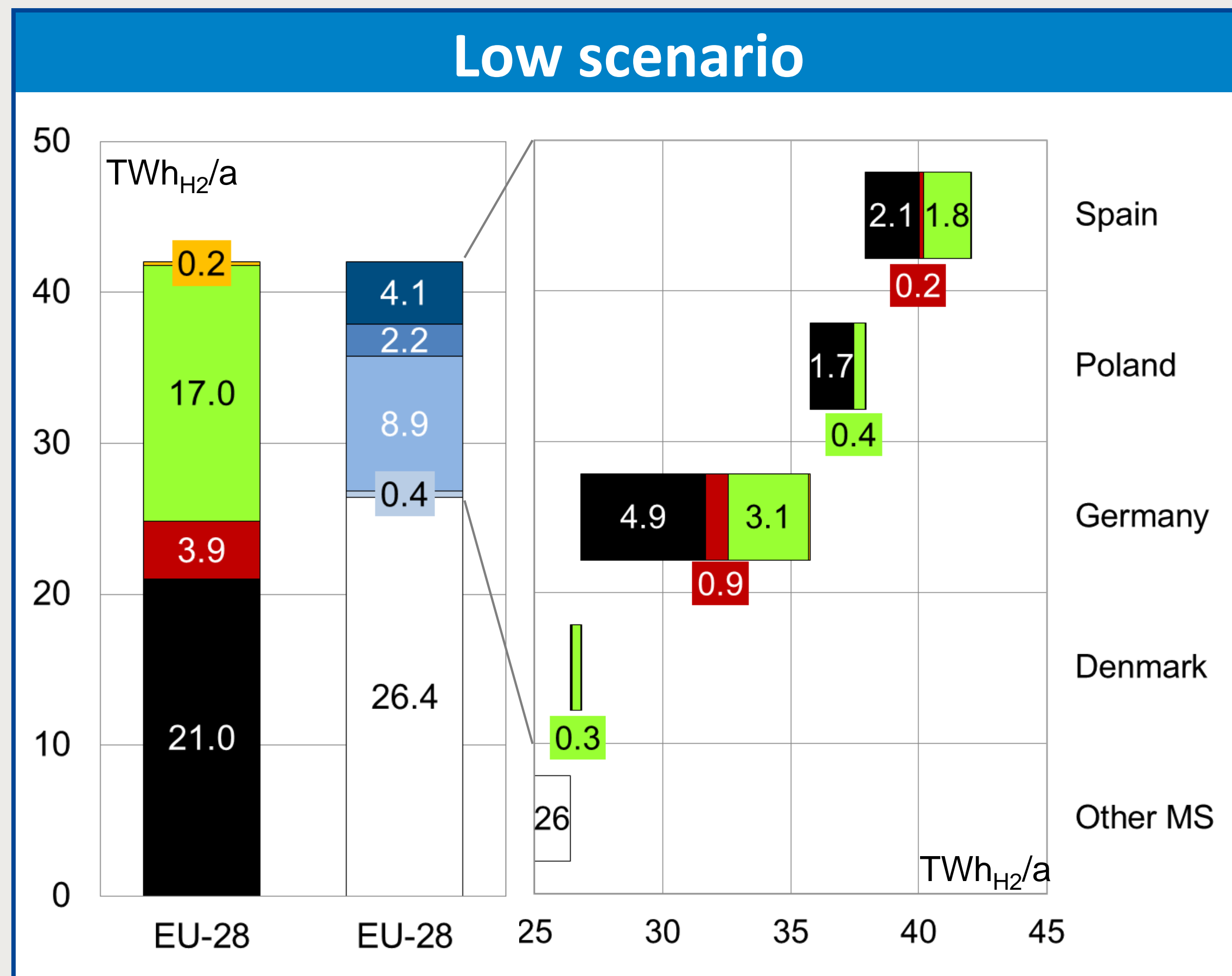
- Suitable CO₂ storage sites
- Relevant knowledge in SMR and CCUS
- “Suitable” gas infrastructure for H₂ transport and storage



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Preliminary impact assessment results

Demand for hydrogen by 2030 in EU-28 and selected Member States in “Low” and “High” scenarios

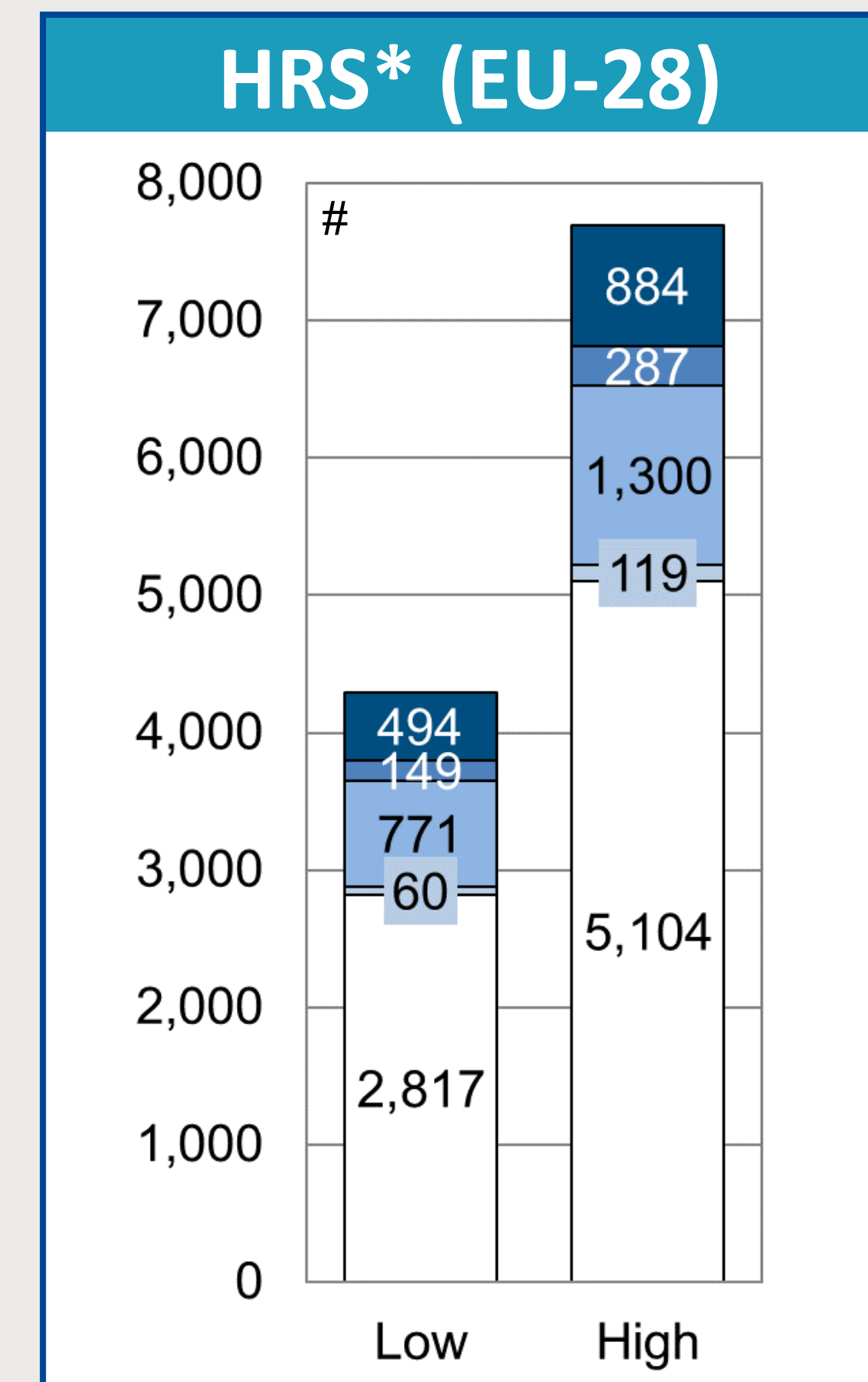
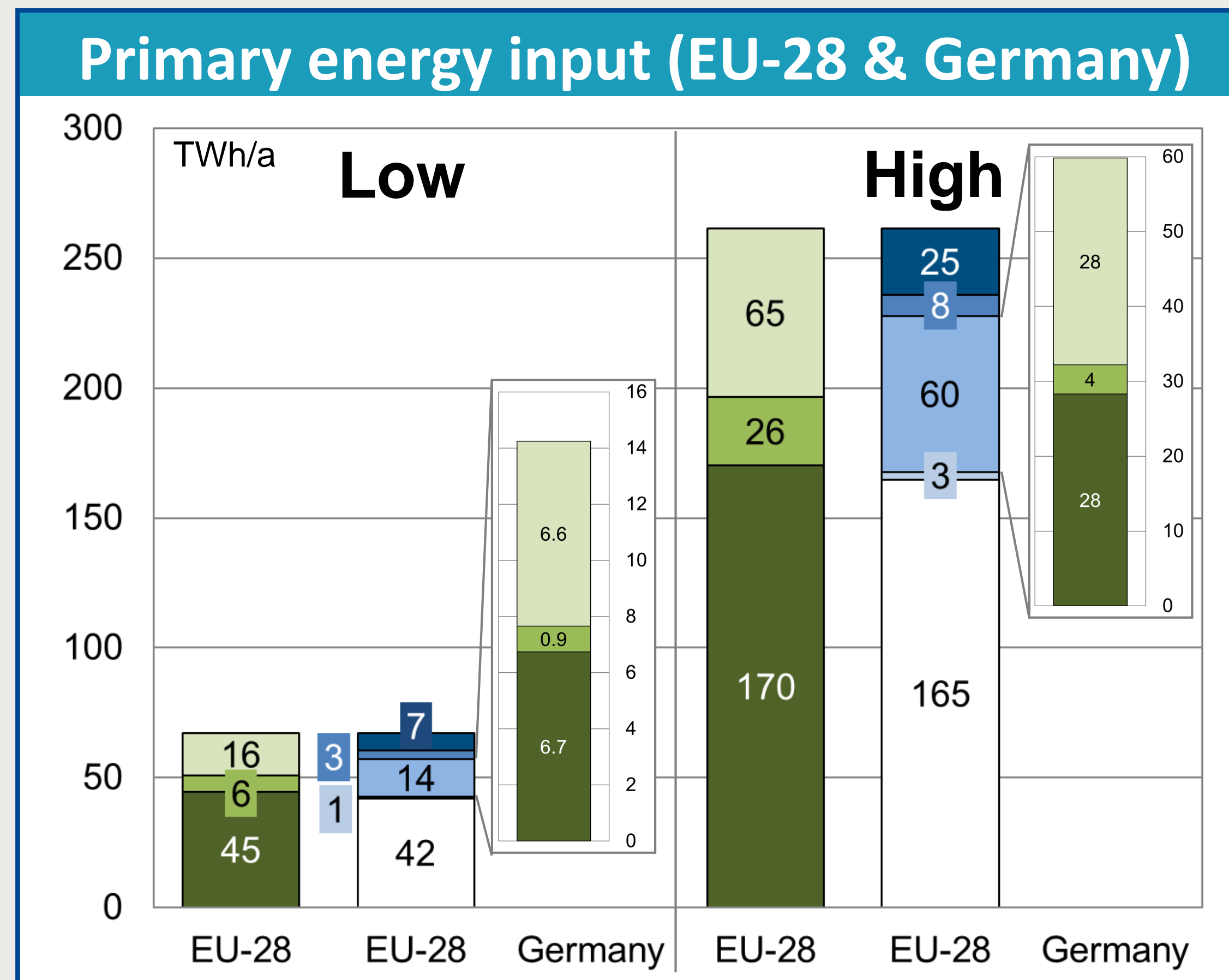
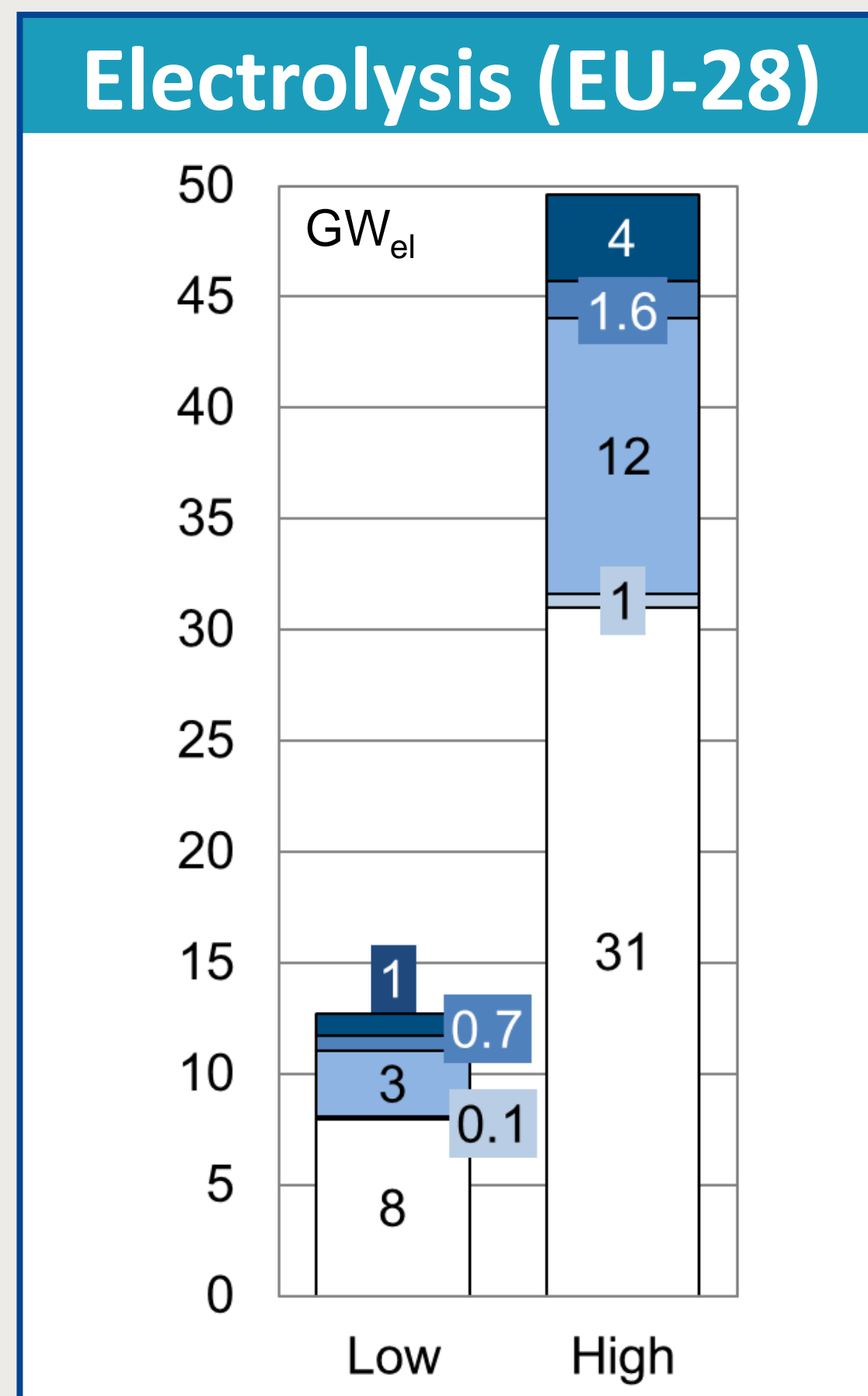


Preliminary impact assessment results

Required size of hydrogen technologies and infrastructure in EU-28 and selected Member States



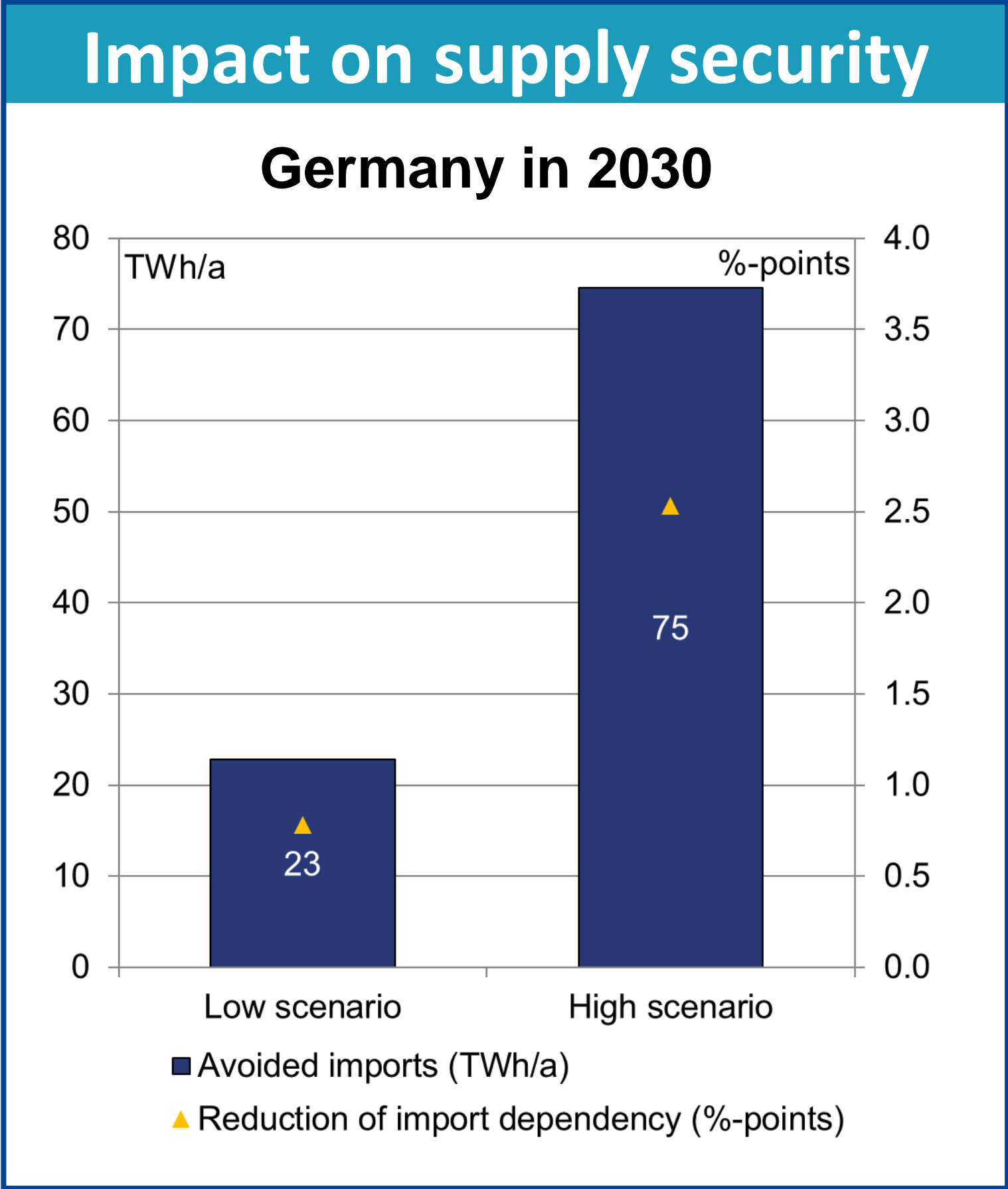
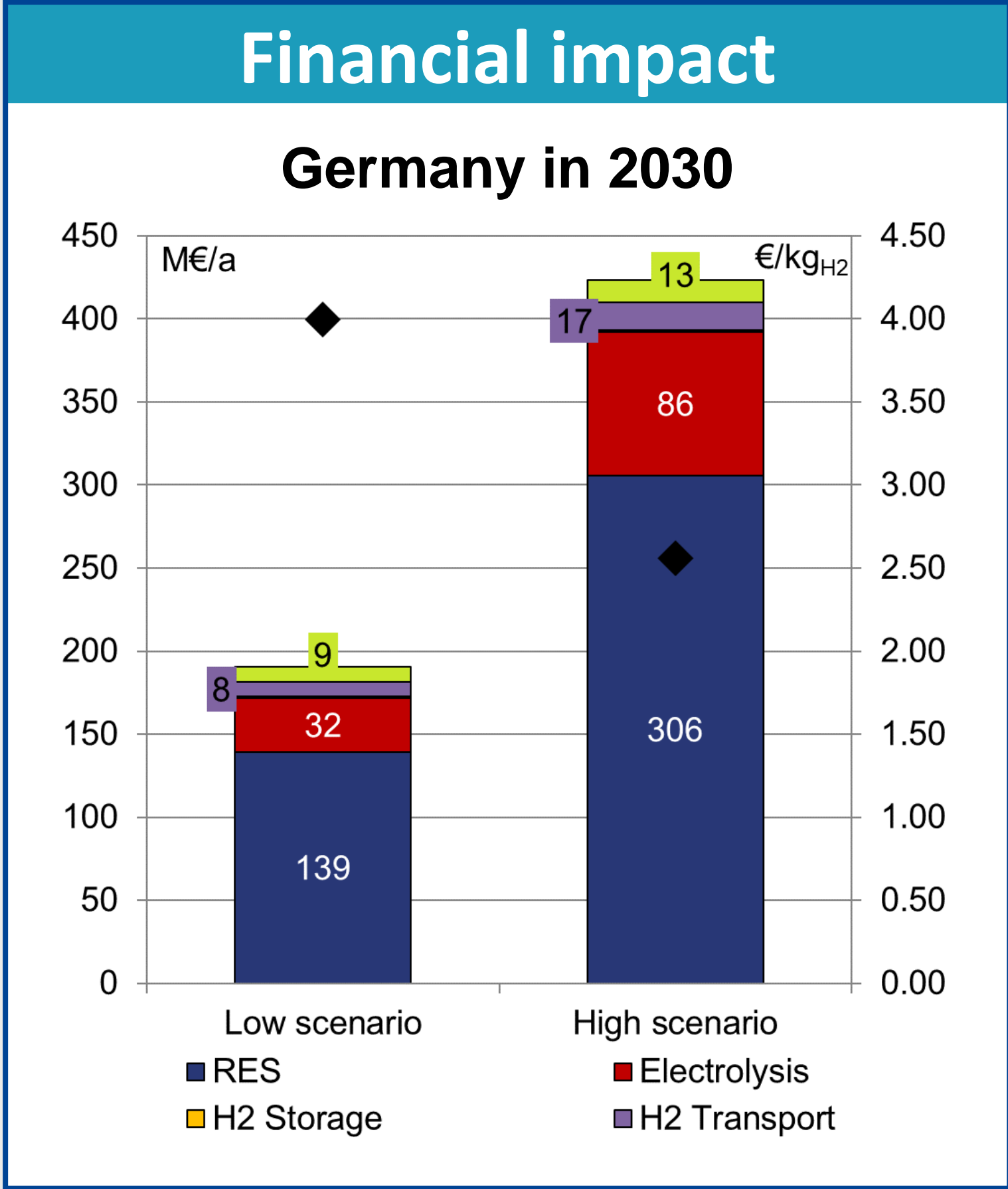
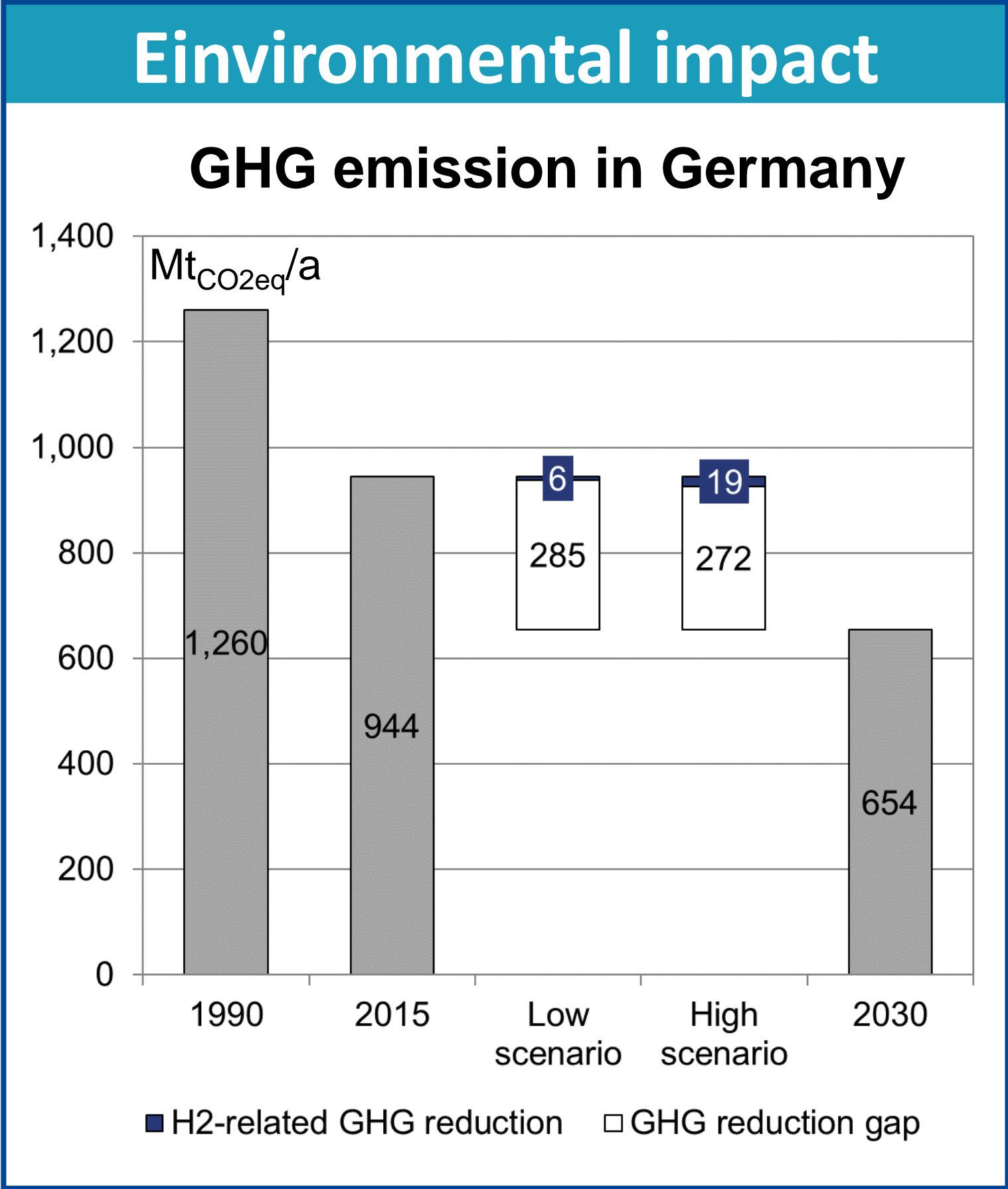
* HRS =Hydrogen refuelling station



Other MS = Member States
 Denmark
 Germany
 Poland
 Spain
 Photovoltaics
 Wind offshore
 Wind onshore

Preliminary impact assessment results

Example: Impact on environment, economy and security of supply for Germany by 2030



Additional quantitative indicators: annual costs, H₂ price, value added, jobs, gas and power grid changes, end users

Preliminary opportunity and impact analysis results (EU-28 by 2030)



- ✓ Opportunity for production of H₂ from renewable electricity (mainly wind) in most MS
- ✓ Opportunity for using existing natural gas infrastructure in most MS
- ✓ Opportunity for low-carbon H₂ production in few MS with suitable CO₂ storage sites
- ✓ Hydrogen demand ranging from 40-160 TWh_{H₂} in 2030, mainly in industry and transport
- ✓ Electrolysis capacity between 10-50 GW with comparatively high utilisation of 2,000-6,000 h
- ✓ Network of 4,000-7,500 hydrogen refuelling stations
- ✓ Reduction of GHG emissions by 20-65 Mt_{CO₂eq}/a (1 to 4% of required reduction by 2030)
- ✓ Investment needs (w/o gas+power infrastructure and end users) ranging from 70-250 B€ and annual costs of 5-12 B€/a
- ✓ Low hydrogen prices between 2-4 €/kg_{H₂} in “high” and 3-10 €/kg_{H₂} in “low” scenario
- ✓ Avoided fossil fuel imports of 95-285 TWh in 2030 reducing import dependency

