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# Germany's National Hydrogen Strategy and the Potential for Offshore Wind Electrolysis

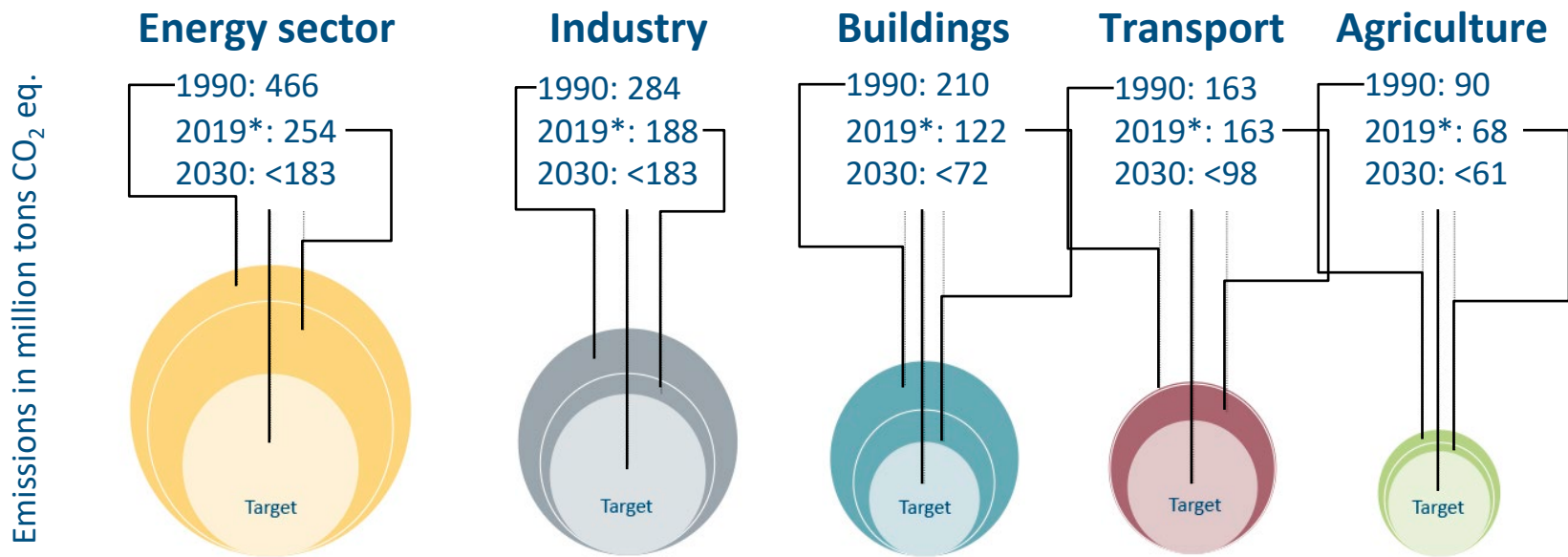
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# Germany has decided to become climate neutral by 2045 → All sectors need to decarbonize



**Total emission target 2030: < 543 million tons of CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent**

*\* Estimate*

Source: Guidehouse 2020 based on BMU 2020



## Strategic objectives of the German H<sub>2</sub> strategy

Establishing H<sub>2</sub> as an  
alternative energy  
carrier (esp. industry,  
mobility)

Develop a  
**domestic market**

Transport and  
distribution  
**infrastructure**

Making “green” H<sub>2</sub>  
and related tech  
**competitive**

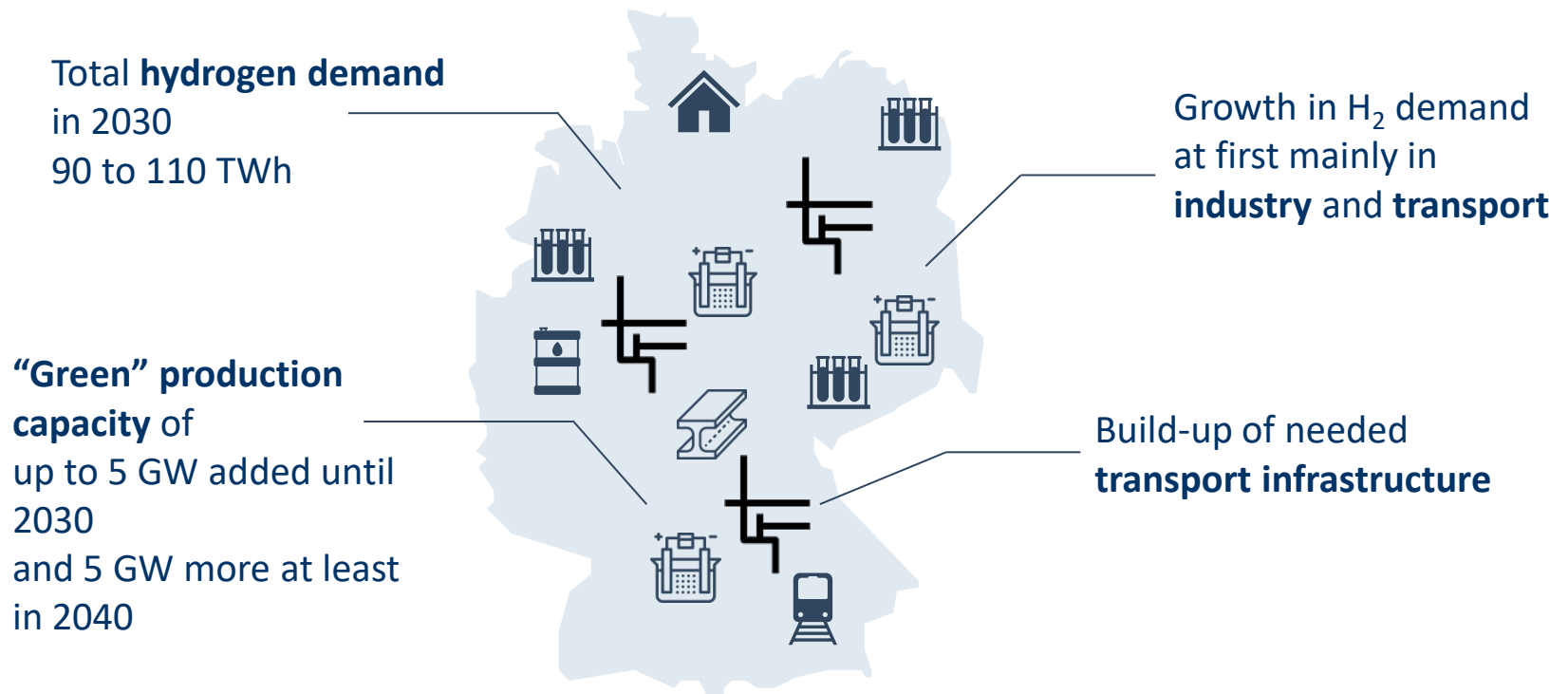
Promoting **R&D**

Establishing  
**international markets**  
and cooperation

**Transparent**  
certification,  
guarantees of origin

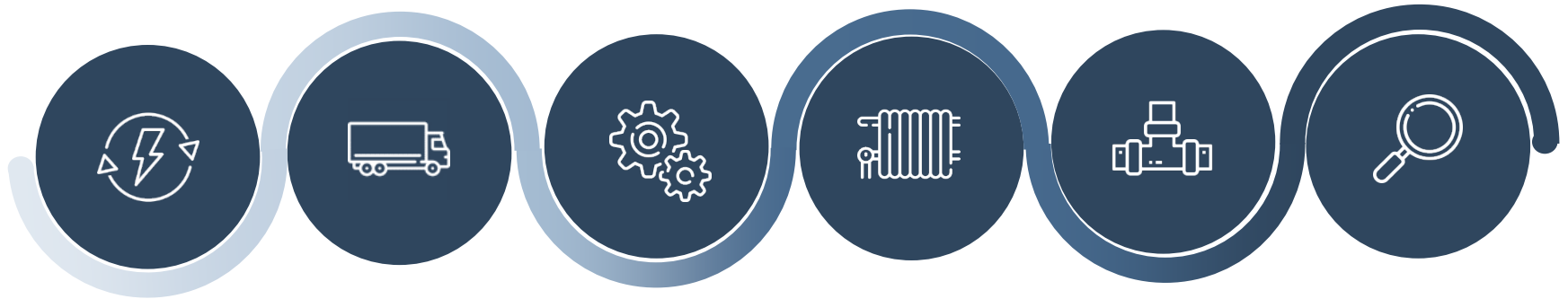


# Future of hydrogen in Germany





## NWS-Action Plan: Necessary steps to H<sub>2</sub> market ramp up



- **9 bn €** from German recovery plan (“Konjunkturpaket”)
- Start market ramp up where gap to **profitability** is comparatively small or **no other alternative**
- Successful market ramp up requires **integrated projects** along whole value chain
- **European** approach (esp. via IPCEI)



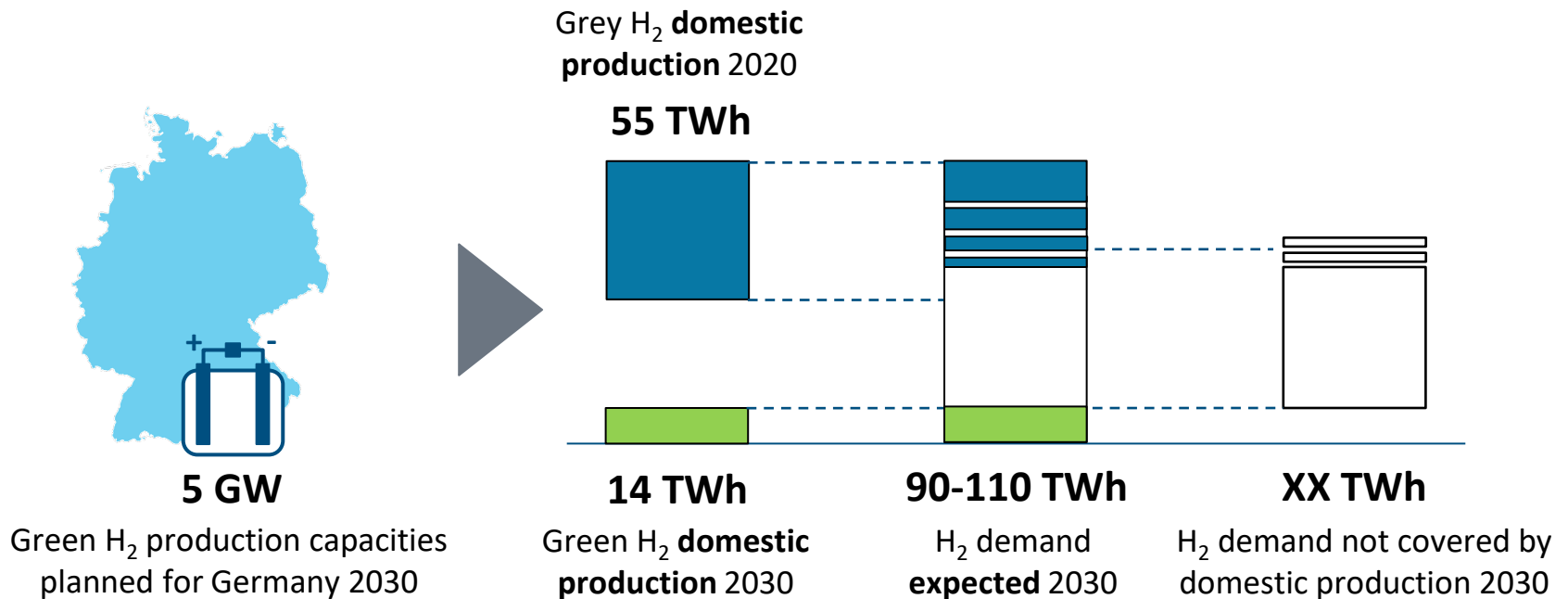
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## Market ramp up requires tailor-made regulation

- Fair design of state induced price components for electricity (esp. EEG-surcharge)
- Transparency on CO<sub>2</sub>-footprint of H<sub>2</sub>-production (need for a European methodology)
- Transitional regulatory framework for future H<sub>2</sub>-infrastructure (EnWG revision)
- Ambitious implementation of the EU Renewable Energies Directive (RED II)
- Definition of “green” electricity
- OPEX: where needed, pilot programs (e.g. Contracts for Difference, CfD)



# A large part of the hydrogen needed in Germany will have to be imported







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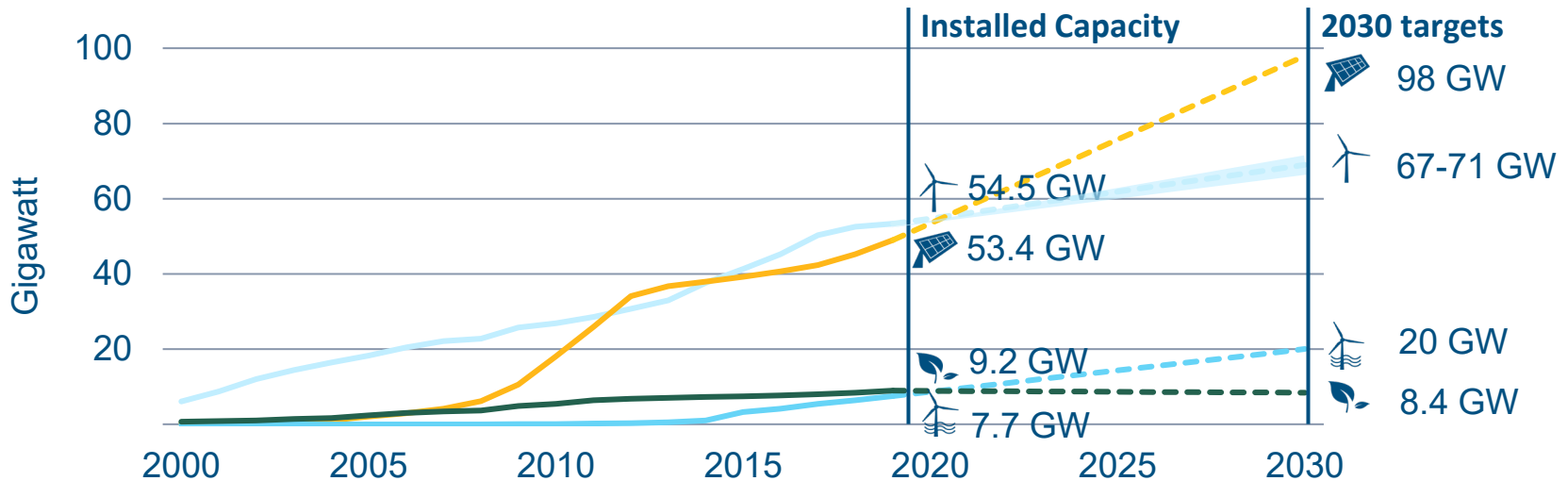
# International cooperation

## Funding tools

- **Funding guideline for PtX production facilities abroad**
- **H2 Global** - Auctions for purchase and sale of H2/ derivatives and compensation by government for difference in purchase and sale prices.
- **Individual subsidies:**
  - Siemens Energy project funding notice in Chile handed over on 02.12.20
  - Grant decision for Thyssen Krupp project in Saudi Arabia handed over on 16.12.20
- **H2 Uppp** - project to support smaller private sector projects through accompanying services
- Participation in **bilateral innovation funds** to support H2 production

# Technology-specific capacity expansion targets make deployment of renewables plannable

Renewable energy installed capacity 2000-2020 and capacity targets for 2030 per technology



Source: Guidehouse 2021 based on BMWi 2020, BReg 2019, EnSaG 2018, EEG 2017, BNetzA 2019 & Agora Energiewende 2021

# Offshore Wind Energy in Germany

- Offshore wind plays an important role for Germany's Energy Transition as decarbonisation option but also industrial opportunity
- The offshore wind industry in Germany accounts for 1.9 billion EUR in annual investments and nearly 25.000 employees
- 2020: revision of the offshore wind energy act with increased capacity targets
  - 20 GW by 2030
  - 40 GW by 2040
- Sites, support & grid connection awarded through centralised tender model

# Germany's offshore wind targets increase long-term planning security for investment

- Long-term targets increased to 20 GW by 2030, 40 GW by 2040
- Streamlining of administrative procedures for offshore wind projects
- In cases of multiple zero-subsidy bids for an auction area, the bid is awarded by lot



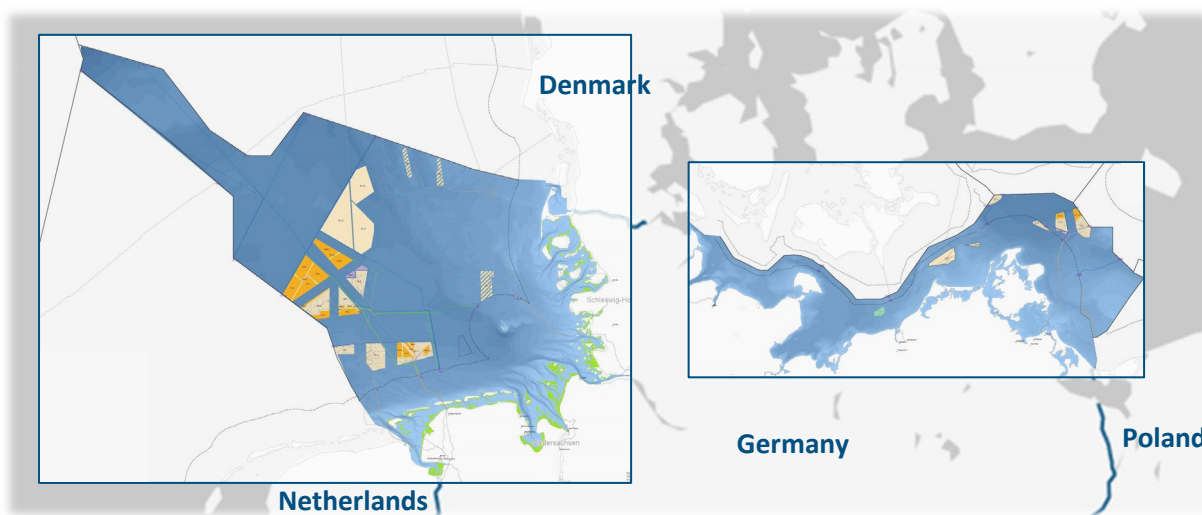
## Ceiling prices for auctions

2021	7.3 ct/kWh
2022	6.4 ct/kWh
2023	6.2 ct/kWh

*ct: cent / kWh: kilowatt hour*

# Capacities in the North and Baltic Sea

## Spatial Development Plan for North Sea and Baltic Sea Exclusive Economic Zones (EEZ)



### Offshore wind energy in Germany

- In operation by 2020: 7.7 GW
- Capacity target 2030: 20 GW
- Capacity target 2040: 40 GW

- Areas for offshore wind energy
- Area under examination
- Site for offshore wind energy
- Site under examination
- Testing area
- Offshore wind park with expected operation by 2025

# Potential for Offshore Hydrogen Production

- Offshore hydrogen production has great potential to meet future hydrogen demand in Germany.
- Several pilot projects shortlisted for federal funding:
  - **Aquaventus:** Integrated electrolyser in offshore-wind power plant, combined with pipeline to North Sea island
  - **Lingen Green Hydrogen:** Offshore-electricity production provides power for onshore H2 production
- After successful technology demonstration, an adequate **regulatory and support framework** is essential for market ramp-up.
- **Draft regulation** that grants sites for pilot projects is currently in consultation process between government departments.
- Cooperation with **neighbouring countries** of the North and Baltic sea essential to exploit synergy effects in planning and implementation.



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