

## Carbon Capture on board a ship



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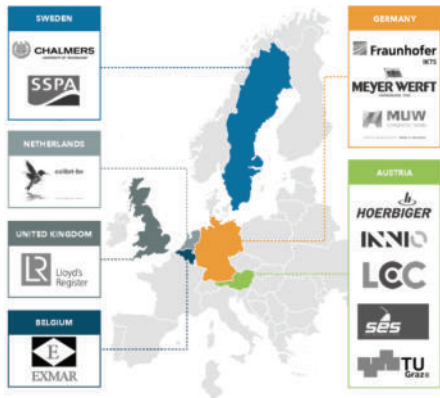
# The Goals & Path



## HyMethShip Project

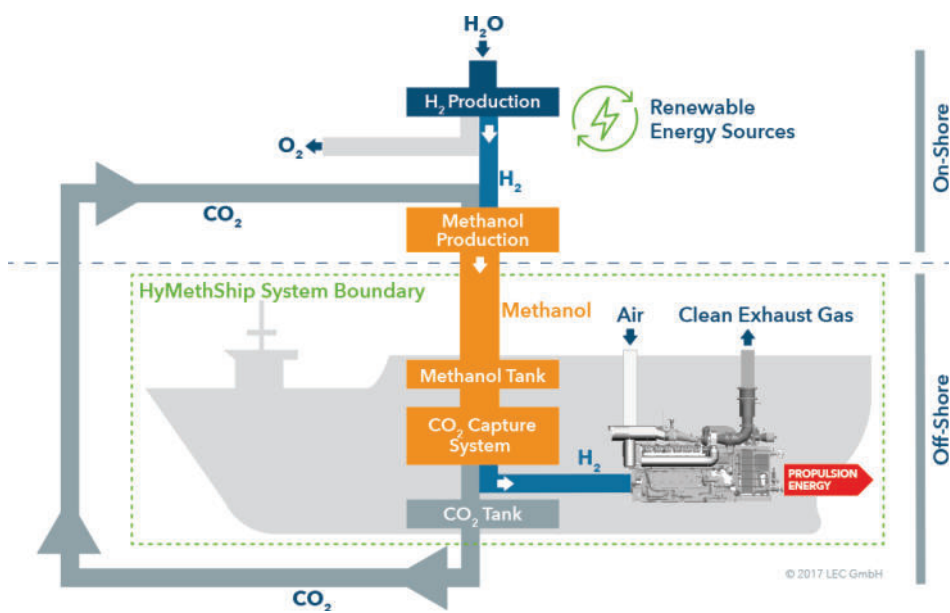
- **Funded from the European Union's Horizon 2020 research and innovation program under grant agreement No 768945**
- **Emissions reduction goals**
  - 90+ % reduction in CO<sub>2</sub> emissions
  - Elimination of SO<sub>x</sub> and PM emissions
  - IMO Tier III NO<sub>x</sub> emission levels w/o after treatment
  - Investigation of hydrogen dual fuel combustion concepts
- **Case study ship design**
- **Full-scale system demonstration**
- **Life cycle assessment for costs and env. impact**

# Project Consortium: 6 countries, 13 organizations



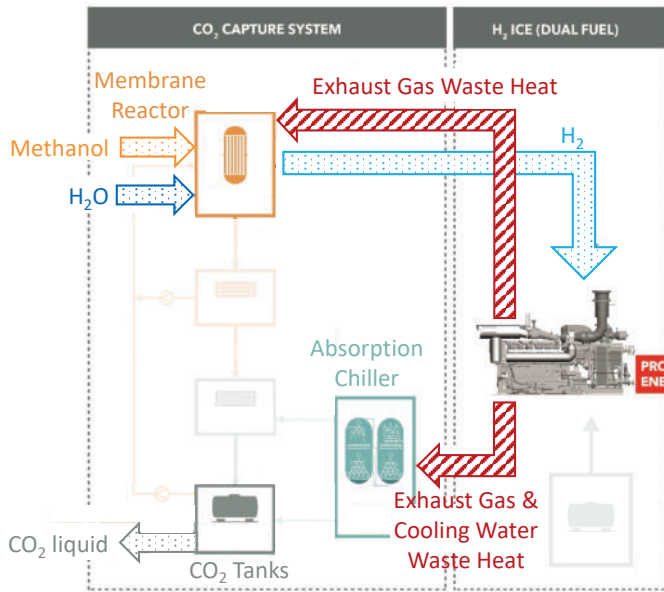
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# The Concept



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# On-board Setup



## Pre-combustion carbon capture system

- Receiving liquid methanol & water
- Producing hydrogen fuel using waste heat
- Liquefying CO2 w. cooling driven by waste heat
- Feeding liquid CO2 to tanks

## Propulsion engine

- Consuming hydrogen fuel
  - Methanol used as back-up fuel
- Supplying waste heat for reformation and carbon capture

*Exhaust gas temperature > 400 °C !*

# Methanol Reformer

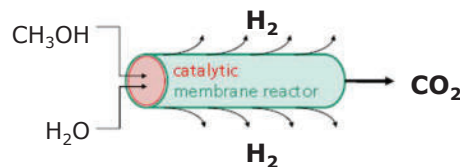


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## Two processes in the same reactor:

- Catalytic methanol reforming  
( $\text{CH}_3\text{OH} + \text{H}_2\text{O} \rightarrow \text{CO}_2 + 3\text{H}_2$ )
- H<sub>2</sub> separation via membrane permeation

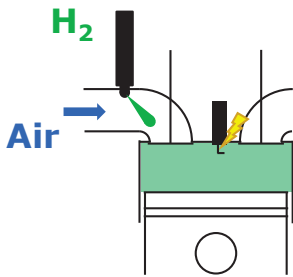
## Ceramic-based carbon membrane technology

- Free of precious metals
- Reaction pressures up to 50 bar
- H<sub>2</sub> pressures 10-20 bar
- Low risk of poisoning (e.g. from CO)
- Membrane tubes stacked together working in parallel in pressure vessel



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# Dual-Fuel Engine – H<sub>2</sub> or MeOH operation



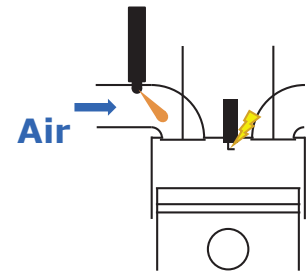
## Standard operation

**Hydrogen** combustion – medium pressure port fuel injection & spark ignition.

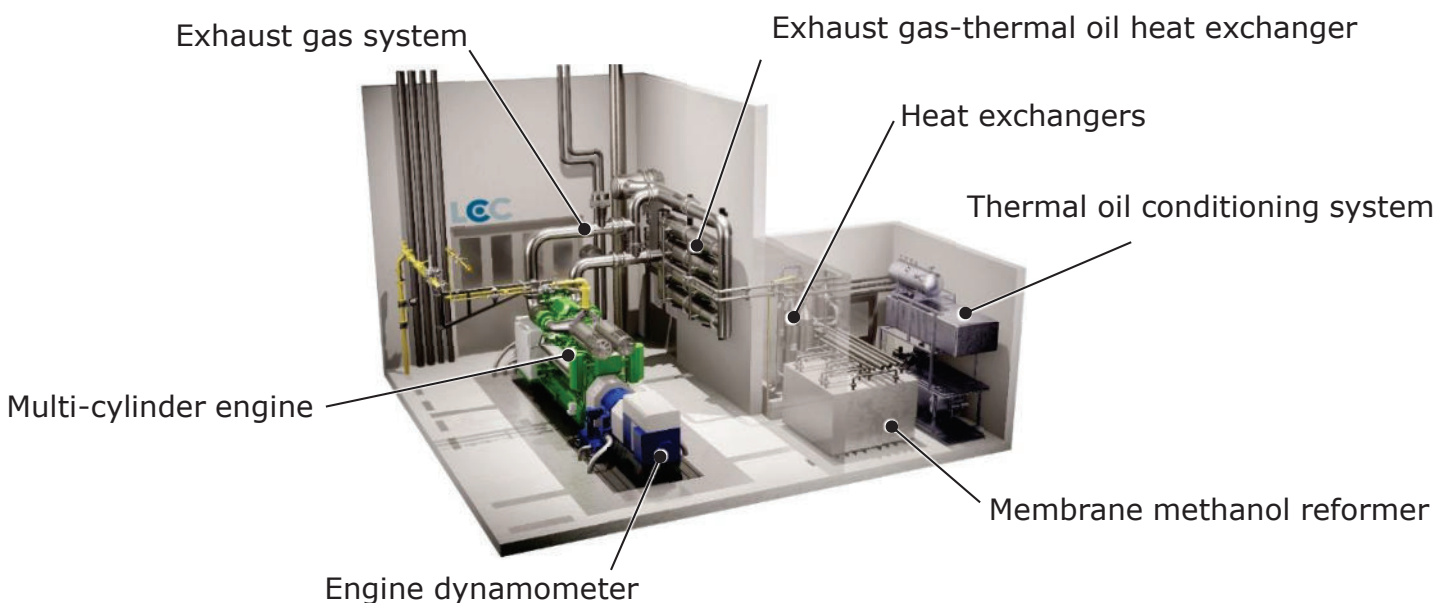
## Redundancy / back-up operation

**Methanol** combustion - spark ignition system for hydrogen as well as for methanol combustion. Reduced emissions, no diesel fuel systems required

## Methanol



# Technology demonstration

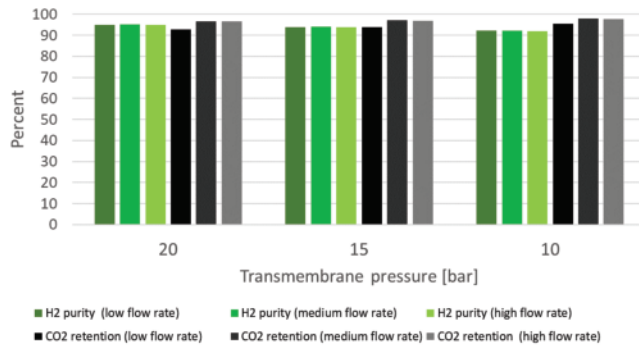


# Membrane separation performance



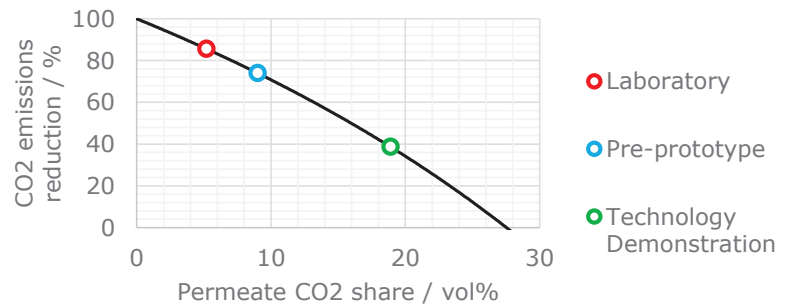
Membrane performance in laboratory environment at IKTS

- Hydrogen purity in permeate stream > 90 %
- CO<sub>2</sub> retention in retentate > 95 %



Membrane performance in reformer environment shows lower selectivity than in laboratory environment

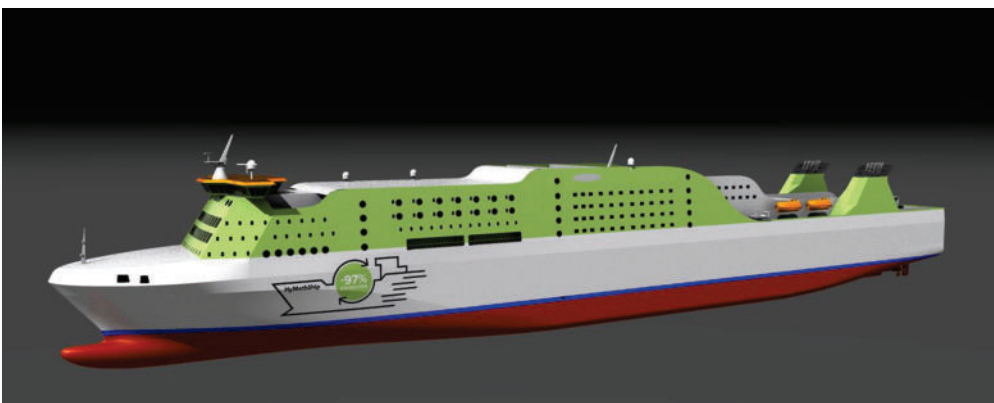
- Operating conditions under investigation
- Next generation membrane technology in development



# Case Study Vessel



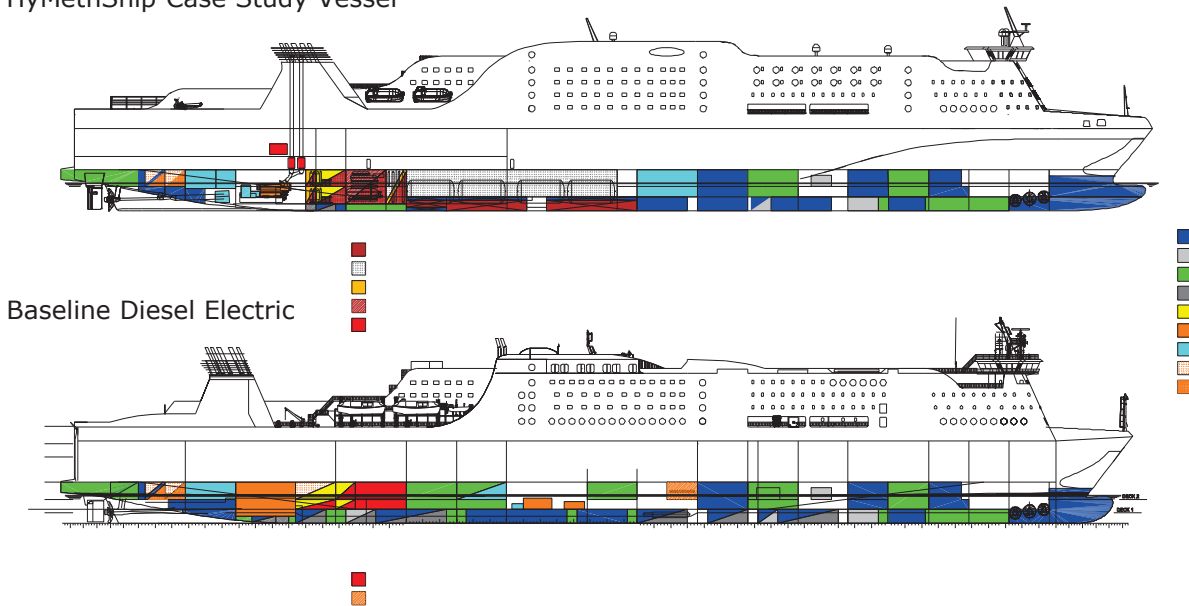
- RoPax ferry with fixed operating route Gothenburg-Kiel: 236 nautical miles one way
- Electrical generation power 4 x 5 MW (+2.3 MW emergency generator)
- Propulsion power ≈ 18 MW
- Vessel model for detailed design of system integration and use in HazId/HazOp



# Placement of main systems - comparison

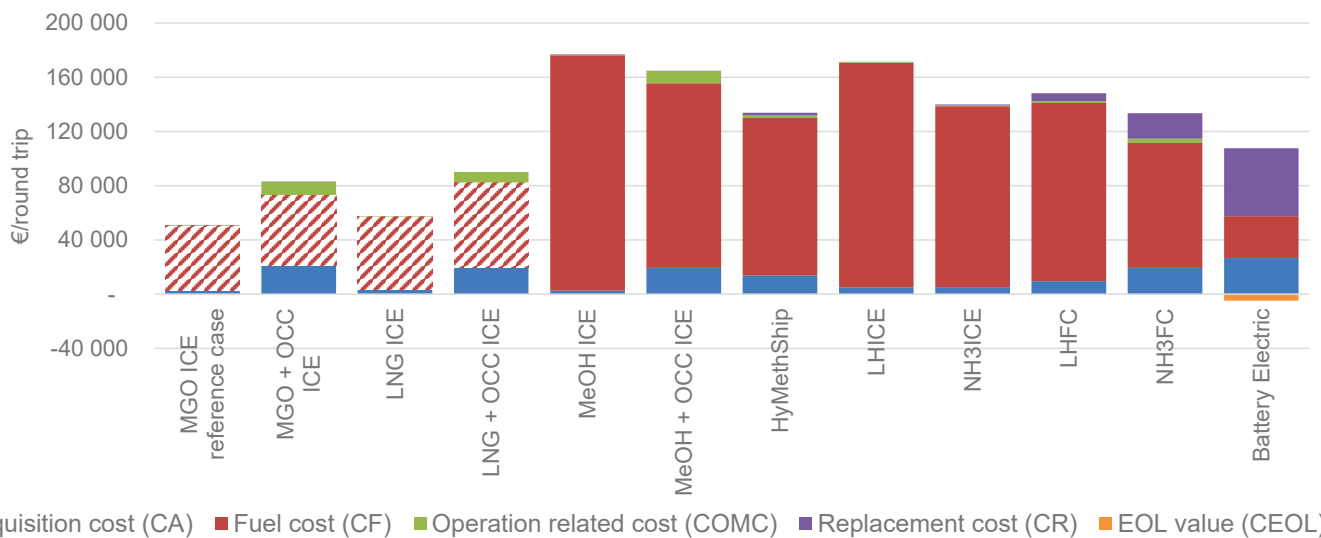


HyMethShip Case Study Vessel



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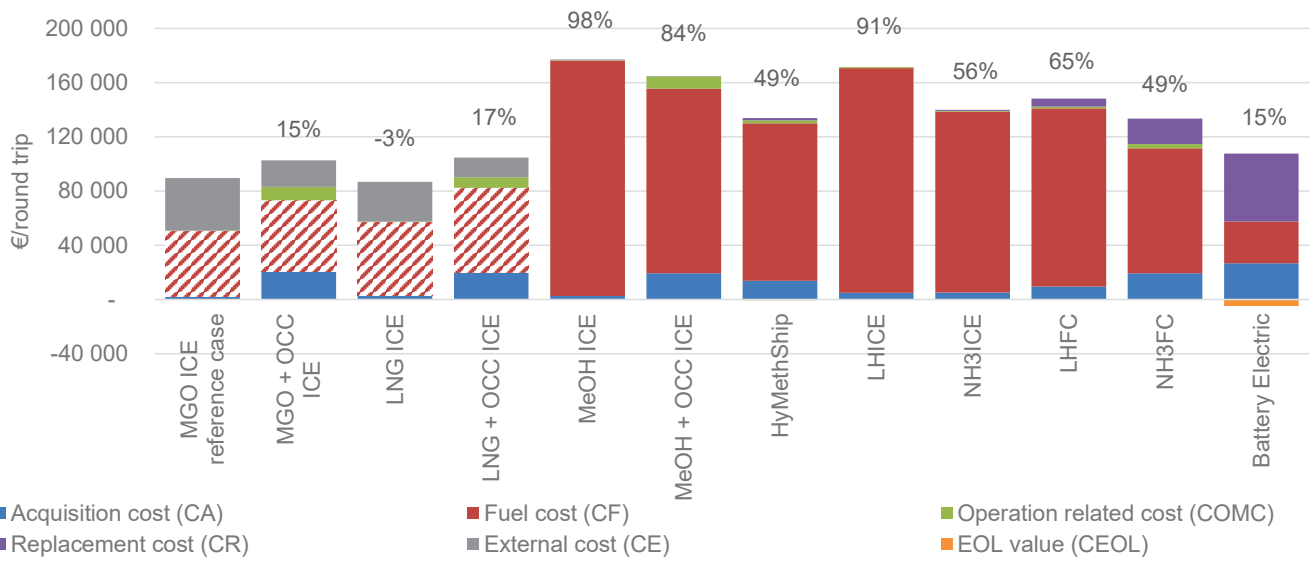
# Life cycle cost of low carbon options



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Source: Kanchiralla et al. (2021)

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## Example of the impact of a carbon tax of 150 Euro/tonne CO<sub>2</sub>

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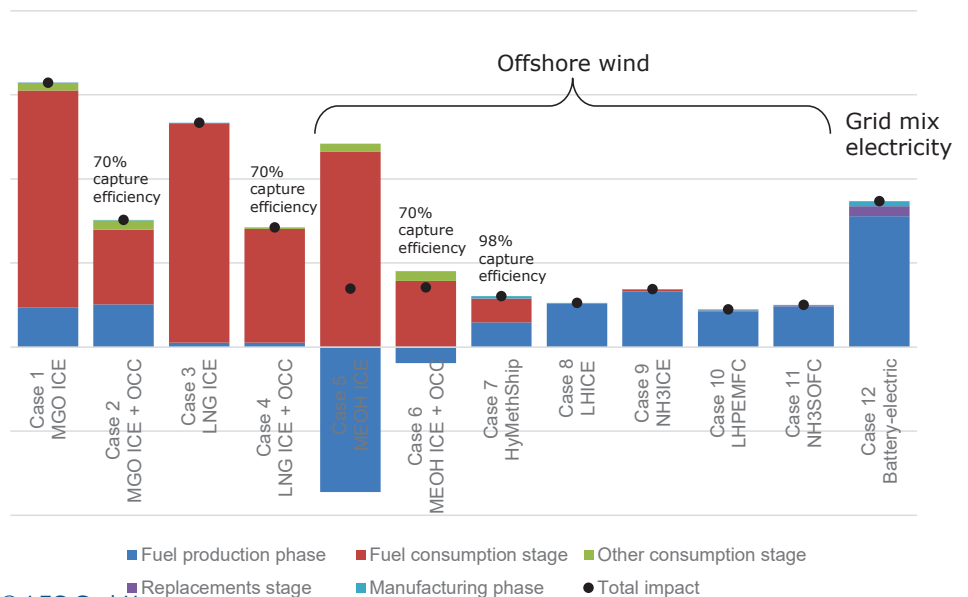
# Life cycle climate impact

## Global warming potential 100-year time perspective



Source: Kanchiralla et al. (work in progress)

- The HyMethShip system reduced climate impact with about 80% in a life cycle perspective
- Climate impact in the same order of magnitude as hydrogen and ammonia propulsion systems





## The Wrap-up of HMS

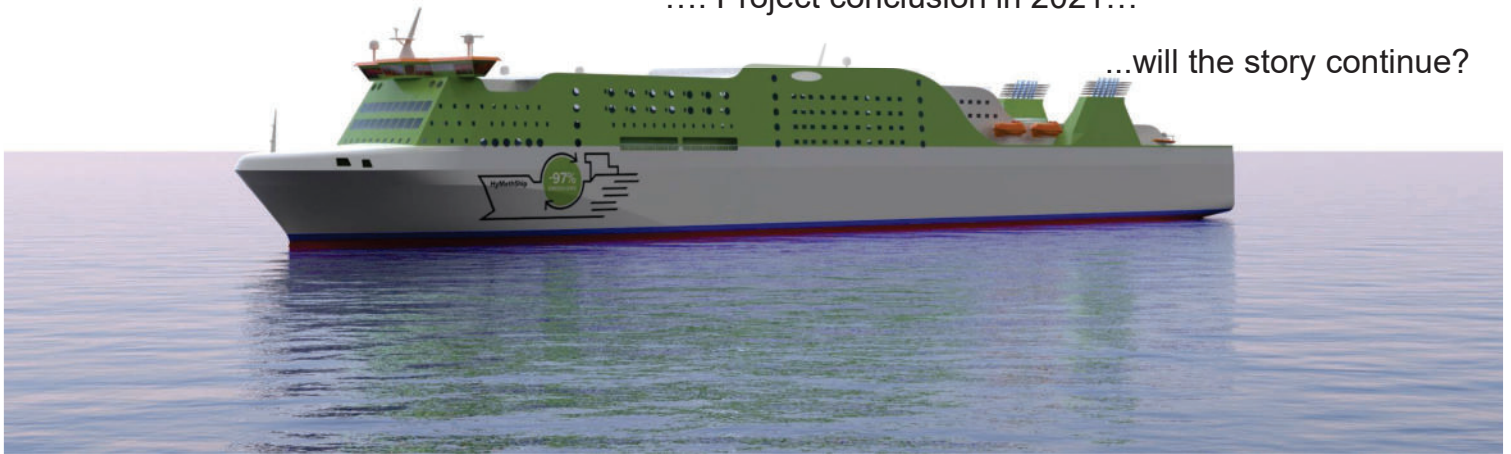
High H<sub>2</sub> / CO<sub>2</sub> selectivity of membranes

Full scale engine operation with 100 % hydrogen

Onshore system demonstration complete

.... Project conclusion in 2021...

...will the story continue?



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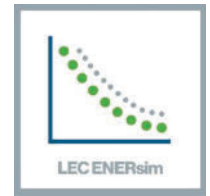


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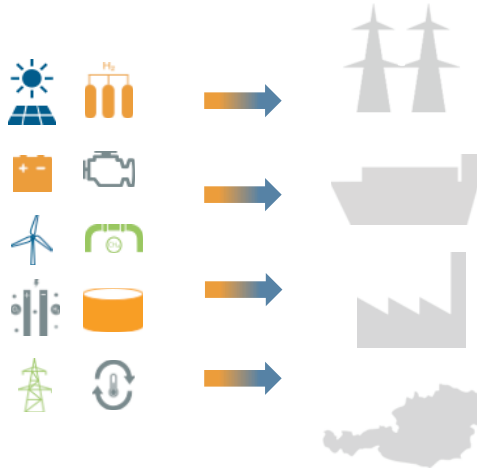
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A versatile simulation platform for the optimization of sustainable energy systems



## Features

- Energy flexibility: electricity, heat, fuels (H<sub>2</sub>, CH<sub>4</sub>, ...)
- Energy storages
- Energy markets
- Sector coupling
- Data driven controls



## Applications

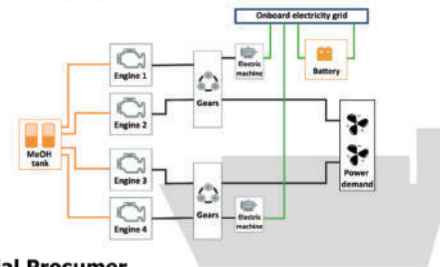
- Power plants (industrial or utility)
- Maritime systems / shipping
- Microgrids
- Supraregional energy systems

# LEC ENERsim application examples

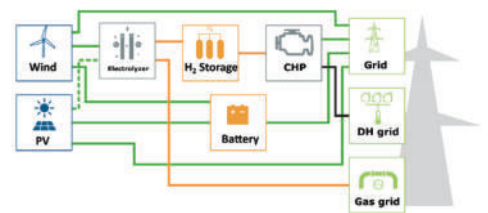


- Energy source
- Energy Storage
- Energy Grid
- Energy Converter
- Energy Demand

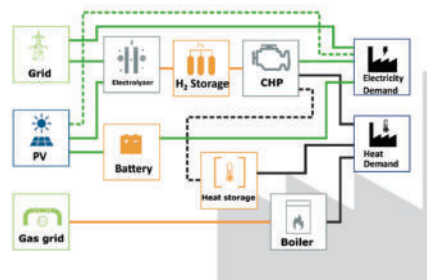
Maritime energy system



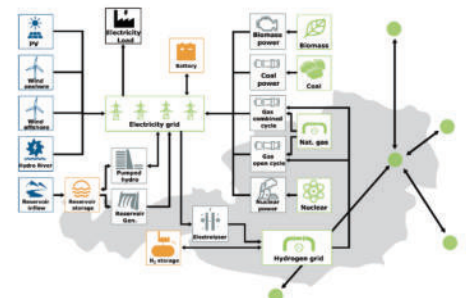
Renewable energy power plant



Industrial Prosumer



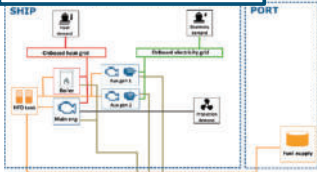
National energy system



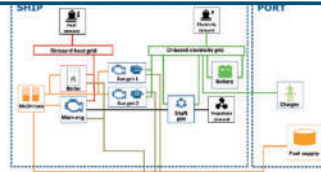
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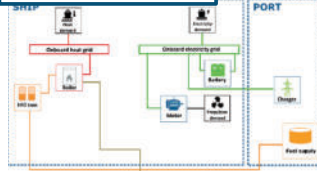
Fossil system (HFO)



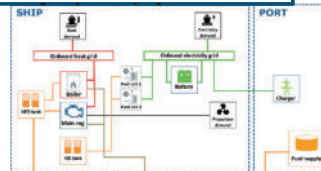
Hybrid systems (shaft generator)



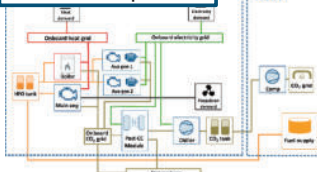
Battery electric



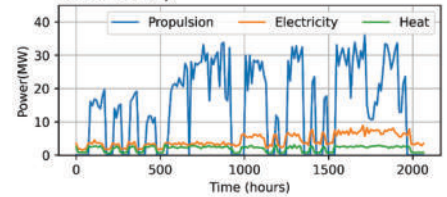
Hydrogen / Fuel cells



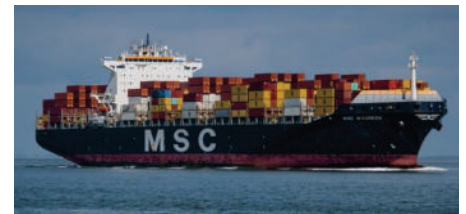
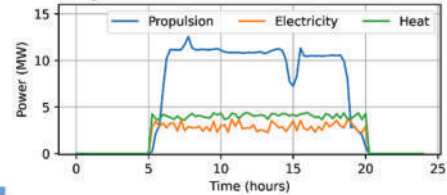
Carbon capture



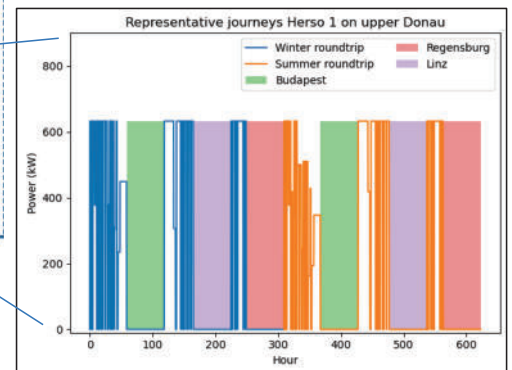
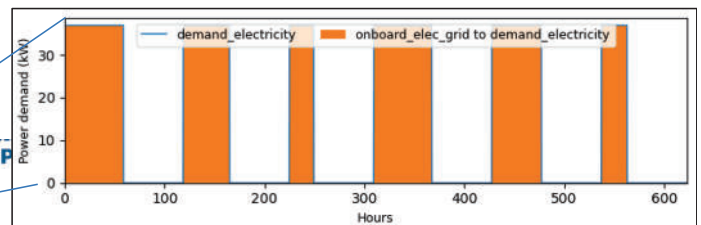
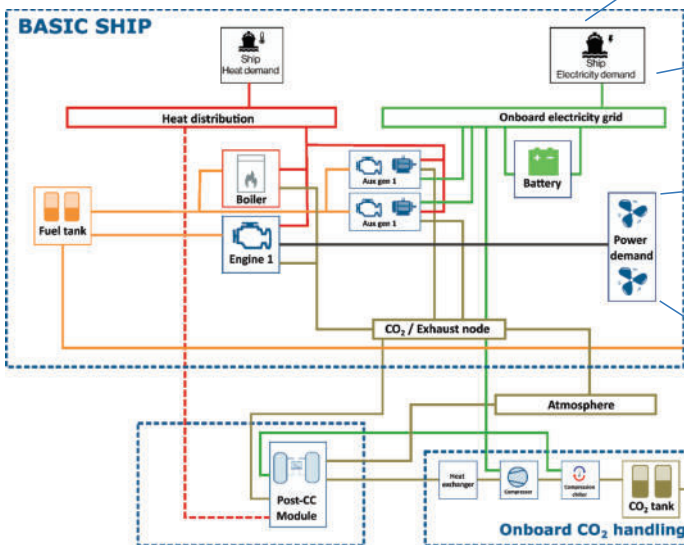
Container ship



Ferry



## System simulation: postCC setup

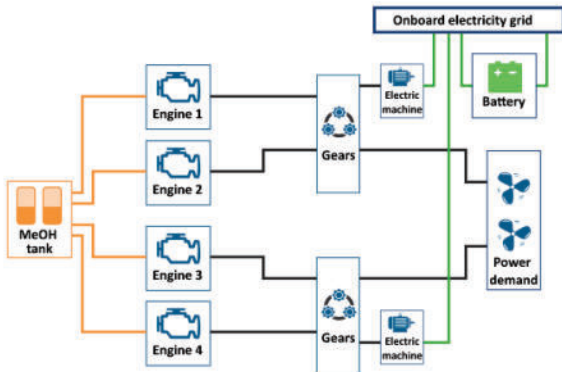




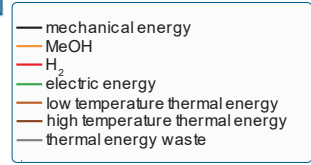
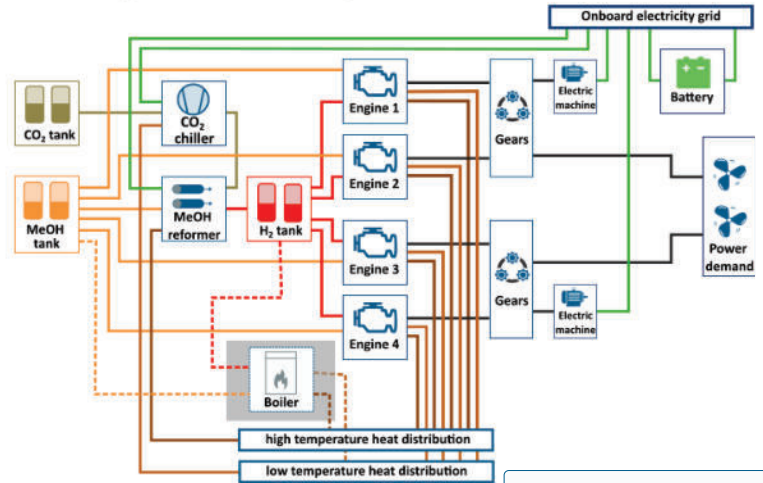
# LEC ENERsim | Propulsion Concept 1, 2 & 3



## Concept 1



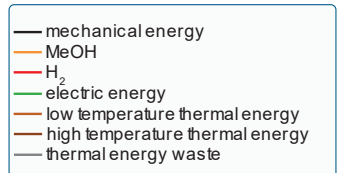
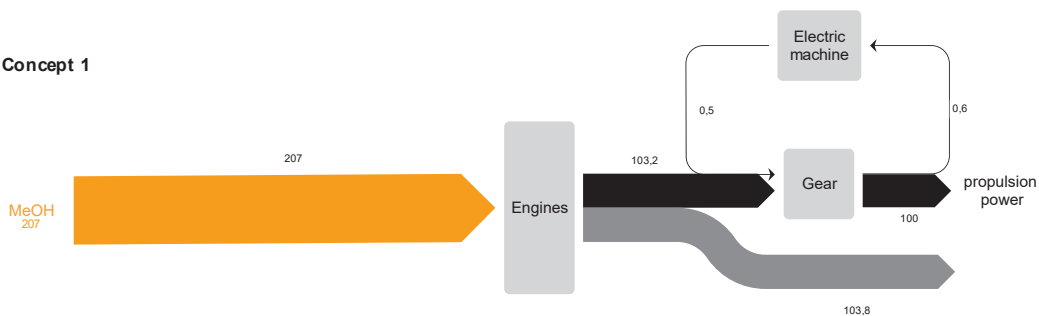
## Concept 2 / Concept 3



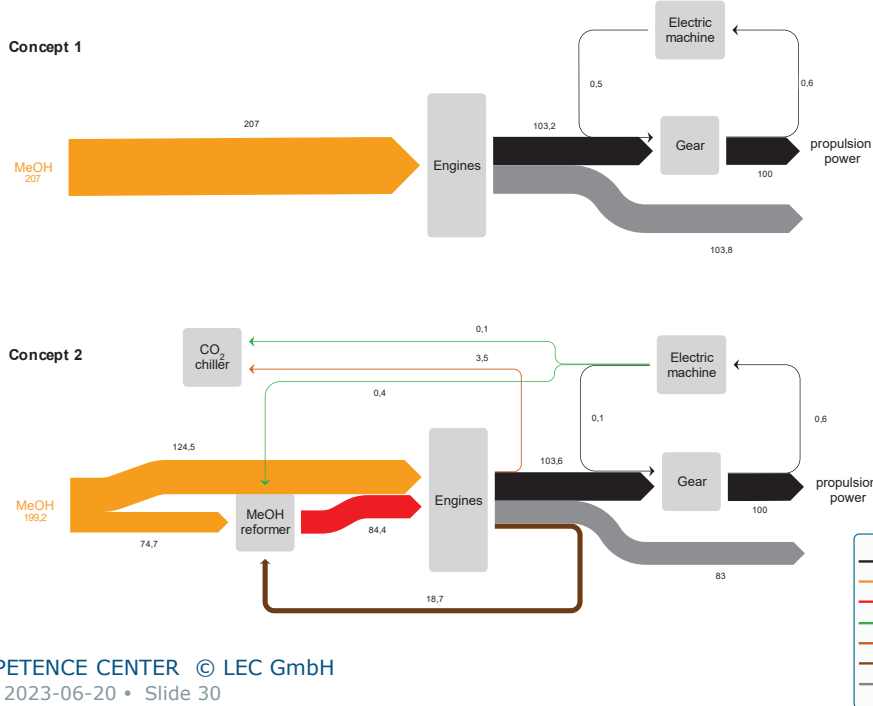
# Energy Flows | Concept 1 @ 100 % load



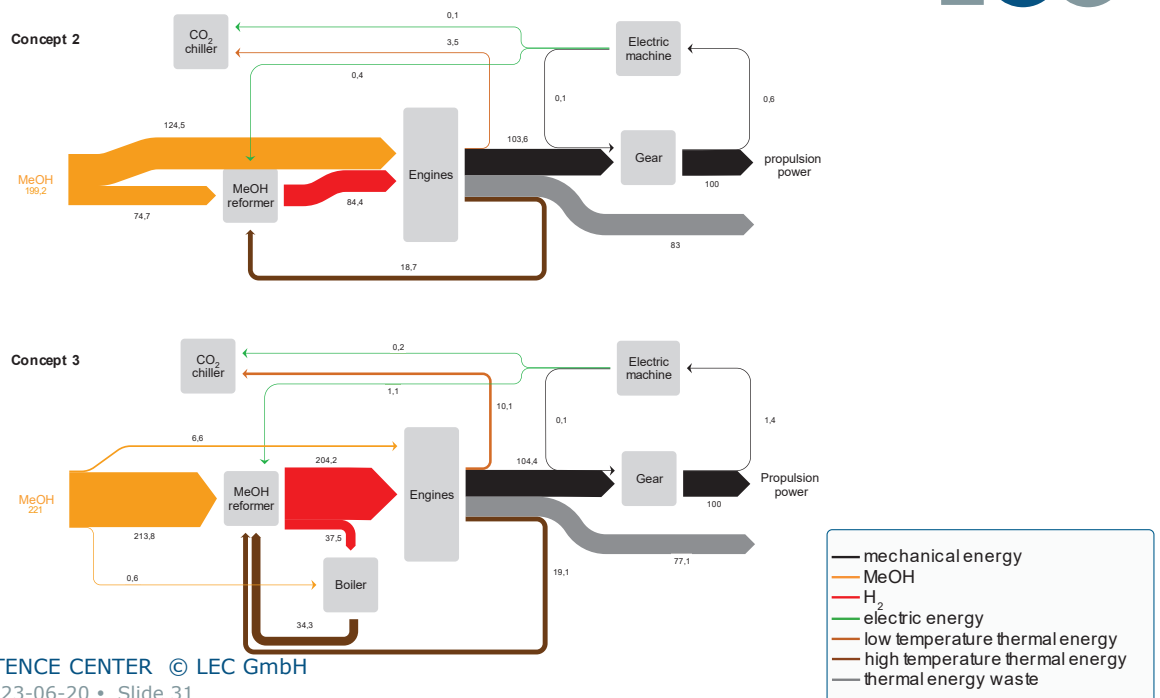
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# Energy Flows | Concept 1 & 2 @ 100 % load



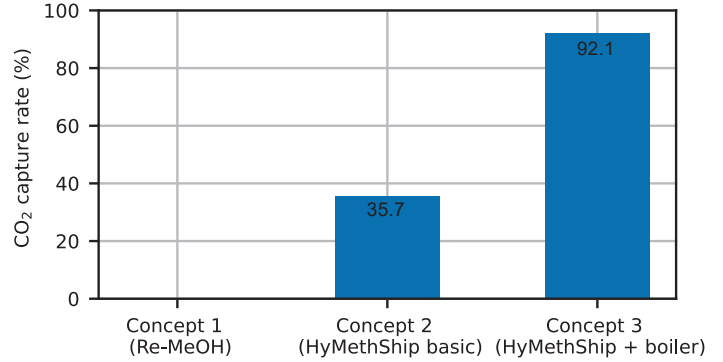
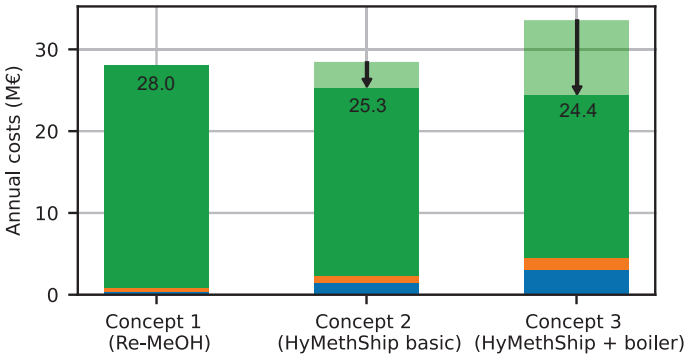
# Energy Flows | Concept 2 & 3 @ 100 % load



# Concept Comparison | Annual Costs & CO<sub>2</sub> Capture Rates



■ CAPEX ■ OPEX ■ Fuel costs ■ CO<sub>2</sub> incomes



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## Summary

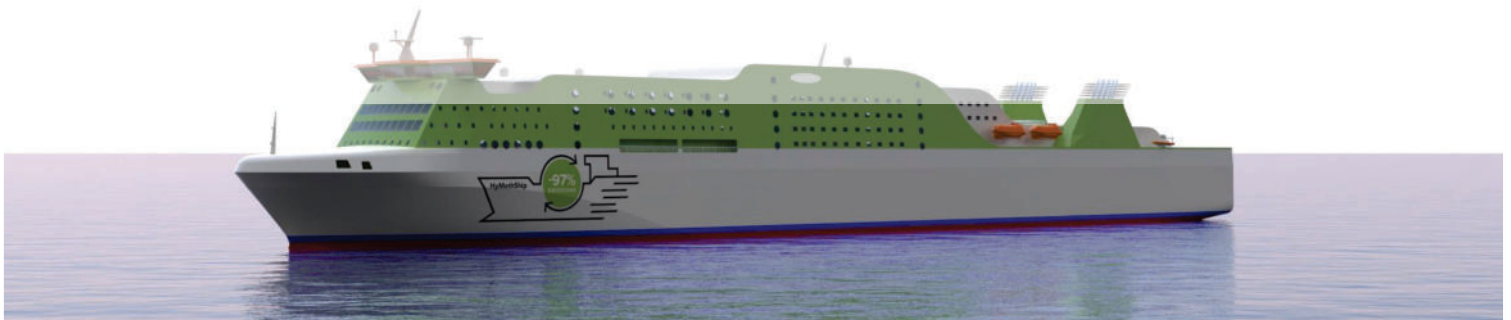


Carbon capture on board a ship is feasible with pre-combustion and post-combustion concepts

Application of simulation platform LEC ENERsim to ship propulsion concept

Post-combustion: Assessment in progress

Pre-combustion: Cost advantage of pre-combustion carbon capture over pure methanol propulsion; integration of an additional boiler significantly improves carbon capture rates and further decreases annual net costs



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