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Methanol's integration into maritime transport

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Milestones

GHG Intensity

Availability and access in low-carbon formats

Milestone 1: Multiple vessel orders

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Order book

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Dominating Container Orderbook



Current orderbook: propulsion method by capacity/order date



Methanol boxship orders growing more rapidly than all other fuel types



https://splash247.com/methanol-boxship-orders-growing-morerapidly-than-all-other-fuel-types/





Engines Available and More Coming

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Technology Readiness



https://www.dnv.com/maritime/publications/maritime-forecast-2022/index.html

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Milestone 2 : Bunkering development



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Availability in ports and bunker pricing

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Methanol Trading Hubs - Storage Capacity





Friday 17 March – S&P Methanol Rotterdam Spot = €335/tonne

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Safety Assessments conducted

- June 2022: *Together in Safety*, a non-regulatory shipping industry consortium initiated the *"Future Fuels Risk Assessment,"* a cross-industry study to evaluate the potential operational risks of LNG, methanol, hydrogen and ammonia.
- The study, which involved a series of hazard identifications (HAZID) workshops across a set of operational scenarios, found of the four fuels reviewed, methanol poses the least overall risk, followed by LNG, hydrogen and ammonia.
- Methanol scored the lowest risk ratings within navigation-related scenarios, as well as in scenarios related to ship operations.
- Methanol also scored the lowest risk ranking in the external event scenario of hull breach from ship collision.
- The study identified some 'intolerable' risks associated with ammonia that need to be resolved before it can be used at scale as a bunker fuel.

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Bud Darr, Executive Vice President, Maritime Policy, MSC Group: "Without the safety issues being thoroughly identified and properly addressed, we will not reach the end state we need. Safety and net zero GHG operations must go hand-in-hand in a world powered by future fuels at sea."





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Milestone 3: Regulatory Drive





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ETS Extension to Shipping

	Tonnes of CO ₂ emitted	Year	Carbon cos in USD*
Extra-EU voyage	1700	2023	14 500
NY - Antwerp - NY		2024	32 500
		2025	50 500
		2026	72 500
Intra-EU voyage	700	2023	12 000
		2024	27 000
Le Havre - Riga-		2025	42 000
Amsterdam		2026	60 000
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https://www.methanol.org/policyinitiatives/europe/



- In January 2022, MI released a report from Amsterdam-based consulting firm studio Gear Up on "Carbon Footprint of Methanol"
- Depending on feedstock and production process methanol's carbon footprint can be reduced by 65-95%, and even negative CI score from cow manure

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Availability in low-carbon formats

Conventional Methanol Emissions Reduction



- According to IRENA, the uptake for both bio and renewable methanol is set to increase substantially, by a factor of 5x compared with conventional methanol, from approximately 1mln mtpa in 2023
 - o Existing infrastructure can be repurposed
 - Waste feed and CO₂ streams are readily available, allowing harder to decarbonize sectors to de-leverage
 - Cost effective and supports transition to carbon neutrality

https://www.irena.org/publications/2021/Jan/Innovation-Outlook-Renewable-Methanol

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Figure 47. Current and future methanol production by source





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Notes: MeOH = methanol. Costs do not incorporate any carbon credit that might be available. Current fossil methanol cost and price are from coal and natural gas feedstock in 2020. Exchange rate used in this figure is USD 1 = EUR 0.9.

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Availability in low-carbon formats

The outlook for methanol into 2050 is very promising. Strong additional potential in aviation and H2 long-distance transport – but only if key hurdles are mastered



Availability in low-carbon formats

current and Upcoming Renewable Methanol Projects across Countries Current across Countries<

Projected Renewable Methanol Production Capacity

"With 80 renewable methanol projects already announced, we are seeing clear signs of an incoming wave of bio-methanol and e-methanol production" Gregory Dolan, CEO, Methanol Institute

https://www.einpresswire.com/article/594328267/methanol-institute-sees-renewable-methanol-production-growth

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Increasing Scale – Bigger Players

- Increasing scale: To date, e-methanol and biomethanol plants have been in range of 4,000-10,000 tons/year, and we are now seeing announced plants with planned capacity of 50,000, 100,000, 250,000 tons/year
- Expanding from project developers like Carbon Recycling International, Enerkem, Liquid Wind and Gidara, we are seeing major utilities like European Energy, Orsted, Iberdola, SunGas Renewables, and Engie
- We are also seeing interest in methanol from oil/gas majors including new MI members Aramco, BP, ENI/Ecofuel, TotalEngines as well as Chevron, ExxonMobil, and Sinopec

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