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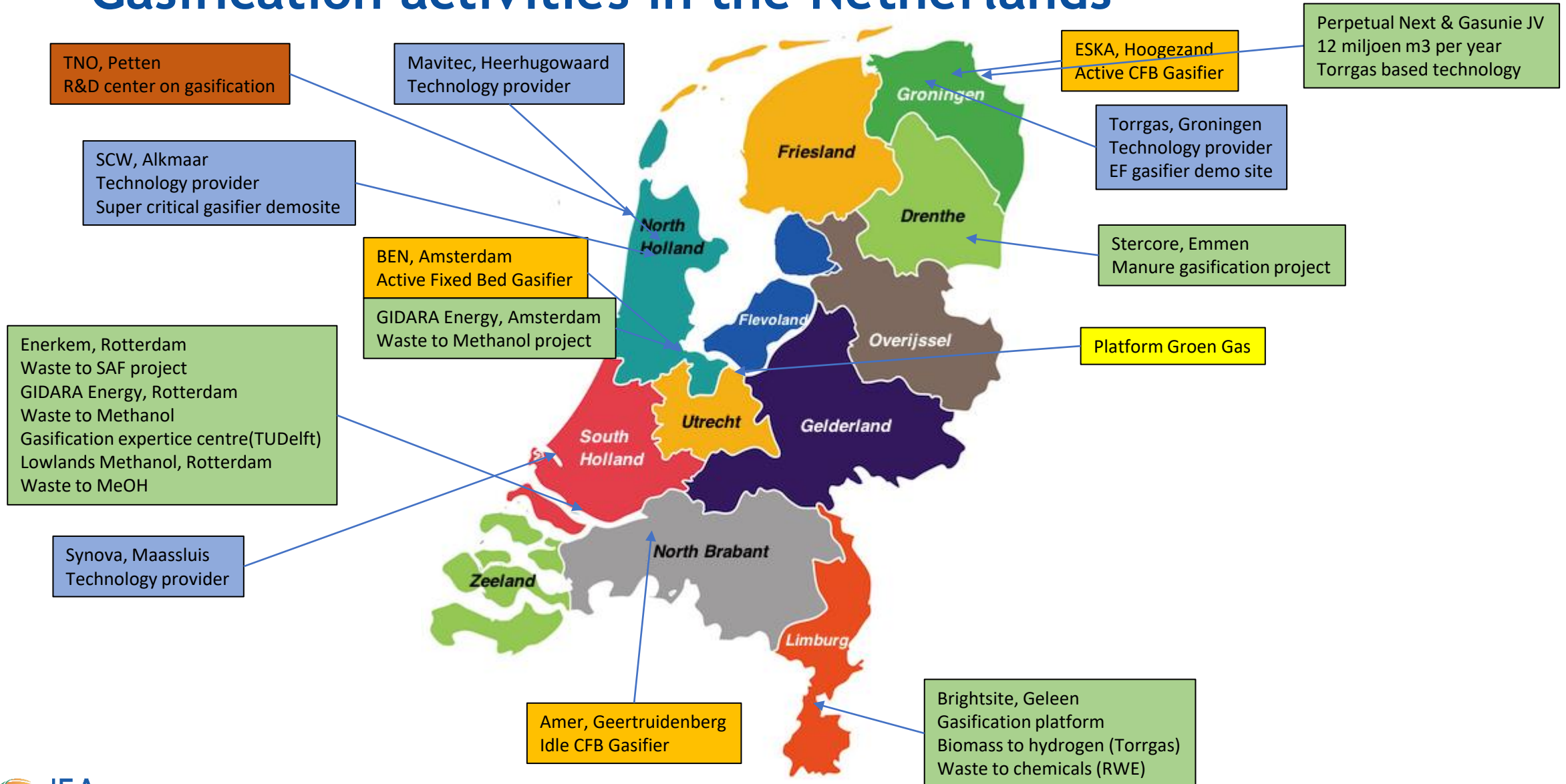
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# Gasification activities in the Netherlands



# Stercore



Input 350.000 – 400.000 ton manure

Output

- Green gas 23 million m<sup>3</sup>
- Biochar 85.000 tons
- Liquid CO<sub>2</sub> 30.000 tons
- Heat 5 MWth

Costs 55.000.000 Euro

- Verdict is positive for STERCORE, they can start construction of their manure gasification plant.

# NettEnergy



- Pilot on road side grass produced H<sub>2</sub>.
- Next step is a 500 kg H<sub>2</sub>/day production facility

Technology:

Top draft - top fired moving bed reactor followed by a water scrubber.

[PyroGasifier - Nettenergy](#)

SYNOVA

**Olefins and  
Aromatics  
production from  
waste**



# Our technologies

*Developed over the last 10+ years to a TRL 7 level ready for commercial demonstration*



## MILENA cracker




- MILENA technology based on FCC technology coupled fluidized beds
- Heat transfer via circulating sand, no catalyst
- Operating at  $\sim 750^{\circ}\text{C}$
- No external fuels required (Coke and heavies removed in OLGA are combusted to provide the energy for the cracking)

## OLGA gas cleaning

- OLGA technology based on Coke Oven Gas cleaning: gas/liquid contactors and Electrostatic Precipitator (ESP)
- Removes 99.9% of Poly Aromatic Hydrocarbons (heavies) and particles

# Our solutions

*Combining MILENA/OLGA with leading partner technologies*

Solution	Integration options	Technology partner
<b>Plastic-rich waste to Olefins</b>	Downstream of steam cracker furnace	 Technip Energies
<b>Plastic-rich waste to BTX</b>	Refinery or stand-alone	 Koch Industries
<b>Polystyrene-rich waste to Styrene</b>	Polystyrene plant or stand-alone	 Trinseo

*Plastic-rich waste: 59% plastic, 29% biomass, 11% ash, 1% water  
Polystyrene-rich waste: 80% Styrene, 20% other plastics, paper, etc.*

# We do not compete with mechanical recycling for feedstock

## Feedstock quality guideline for pyrolysis of plastic waste\*

<b>PE + PP</b>	> 85%
<b>All other contaminants</b>	< 15%
but individually	
PVC/PDVC	< 1%
PET/EVOH/Nylon	< 5%
PS	< 7%
Inert materials	< 7%
Biomass	< 10%
<b>Moisture</b>	< 10%

## Synova cracker feedstock for the production of HVC

<b>All plastics</b>	60 - 80%
<b>Biomass</b>	20 - 40%
<b>Inert materials</b>	< 20%
<b>Moisture</b>	< 30%
Organic halogen content	< 1 %

Biomass is not a contaminant, but a bonus

- Improves the CO<sub>2</sub> reduction
- Keeps circularity high
- Avoids expensive upstream separation
- Keeps the feedstock readily available

\*Feedstock quality guidelines for pyrolysis of plastic waste; Report by Eunomia Research and Consulting prepared for the Alliance to end plastic waste; August 2022





SCW GAS  
20 MW demonstration plant  
Alkmaar (NL)

# SCW GAS Alkmaar

Total capacity (output): ~ 20 MW

Milestone February 2023: injection of on-spec high calorific gas into the 70-bar gas grid

Syngas from the gasifier ( $H_2$ ,  $CH_4$ ,  $CO_2$ ,  $CO$ ) converted into on-spec methane

Specifications for injection into the H-Gas high pressure grid in NL are strict (at PPM level)

> 50.000 m<sup>3</sup> on-spec gas injected into the grid in 2023

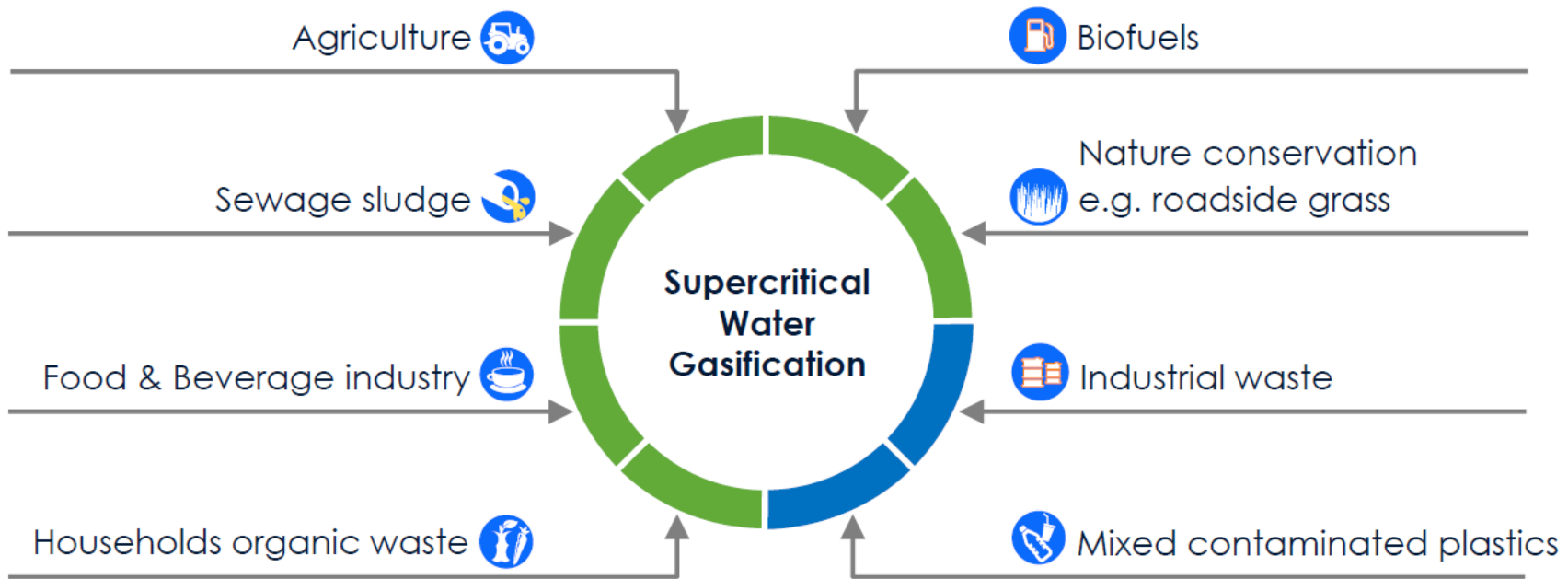
# Scaling SCW GAS to reach NL target of 2 BCM and 35 BCM EU target

SCW Systems' 1BCM in 2030 program to contribute to the 2BCM biomethane target in 2030 in the Netherlands. From 2027, roll out is foreseen outside the Netherlands.

- Stepwise and controlled upscaling by duplicating the existing reactor
- Critical success factors for rapid scale up:
  - Demonstrate operation of technology
  - Unlocking residual flows
  - Regulatory and governmental preconditions:

- Stimulate demand for green methane
- Rapid development locations
- Use of non-biogenic residual flows for circular gas

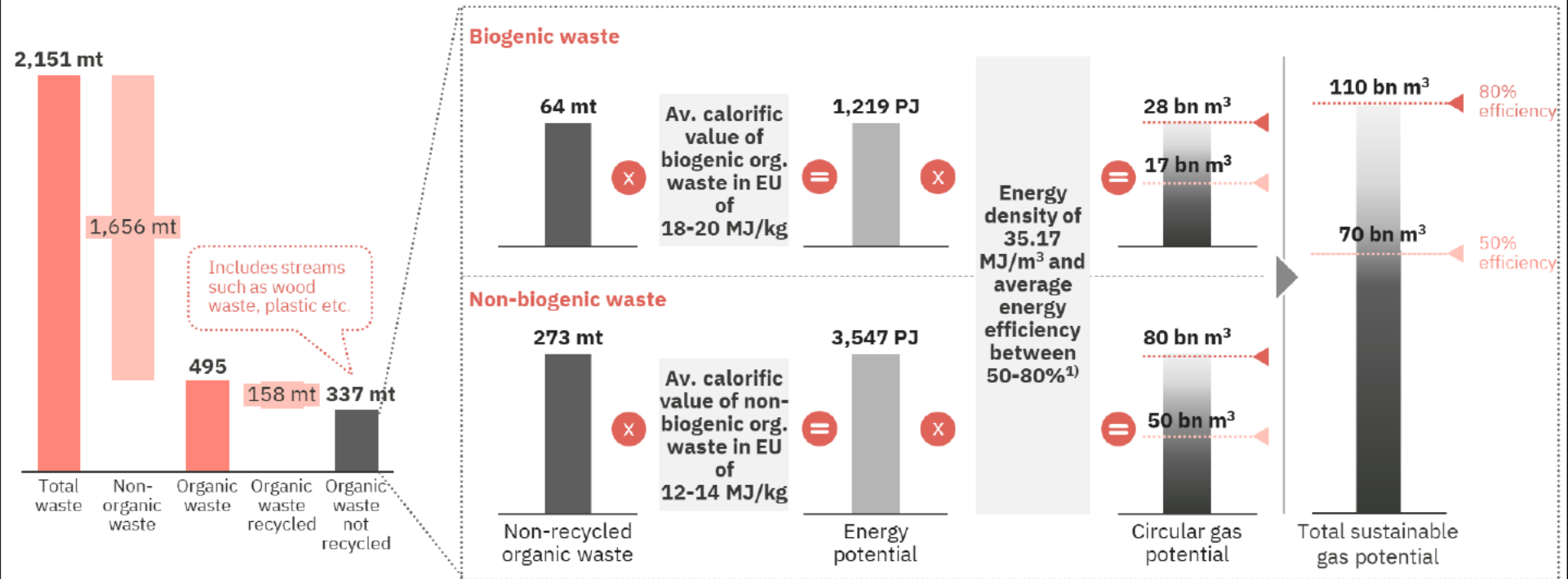
# SCW GAS unlocks (problematic) residual flows for production of renewable gas



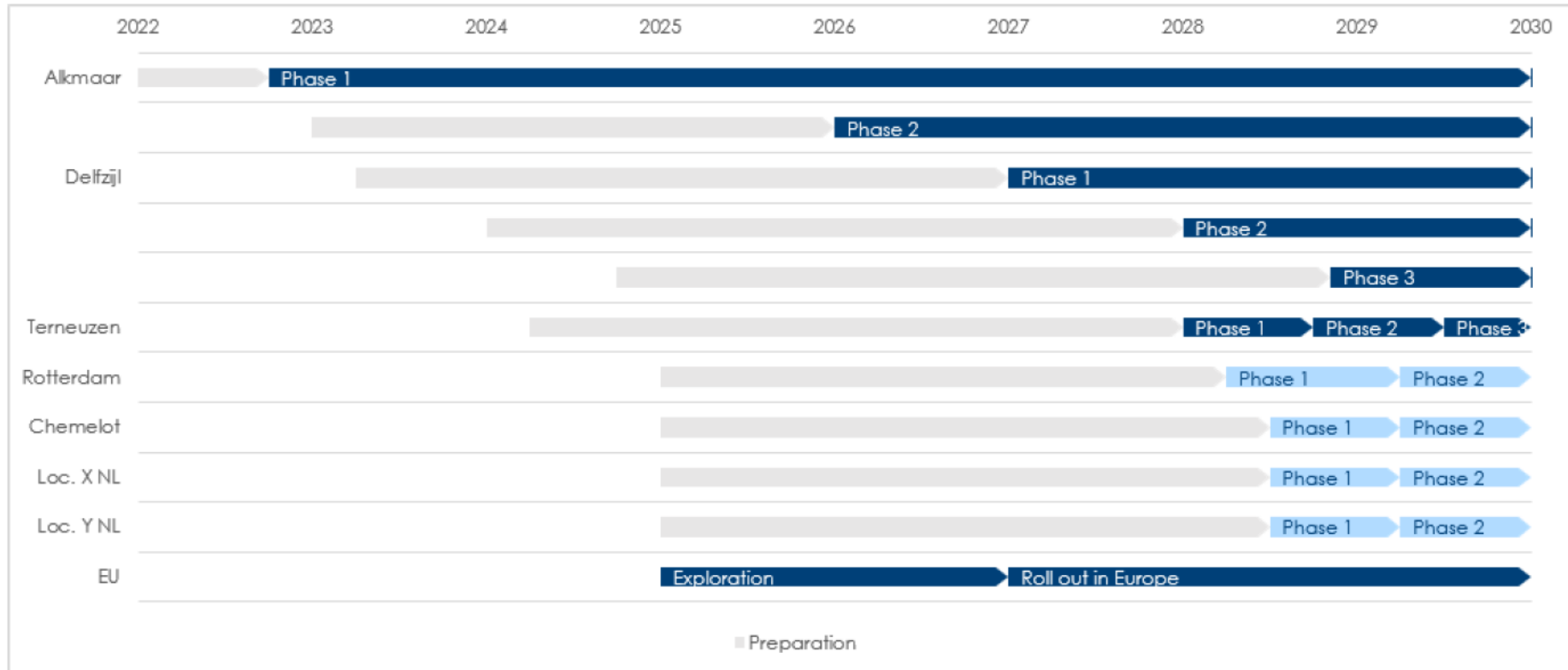
*Production of green methane and circular gas*

# With SCW GAS, up to 110 BCM sustainable gas can be produced from currently non-recycled waste streams

In relation to the 360 BCM gas consumption in the European Union in 2022, ~30% could be replaced with sustainable gas produced from residual flows in Europe, processed via supercritical water gasification



# Roll-out SCW GAS in NL and EU



# SCW GAS in Alkmaar (NL)



# Collaboration TU Delft and GIDARA

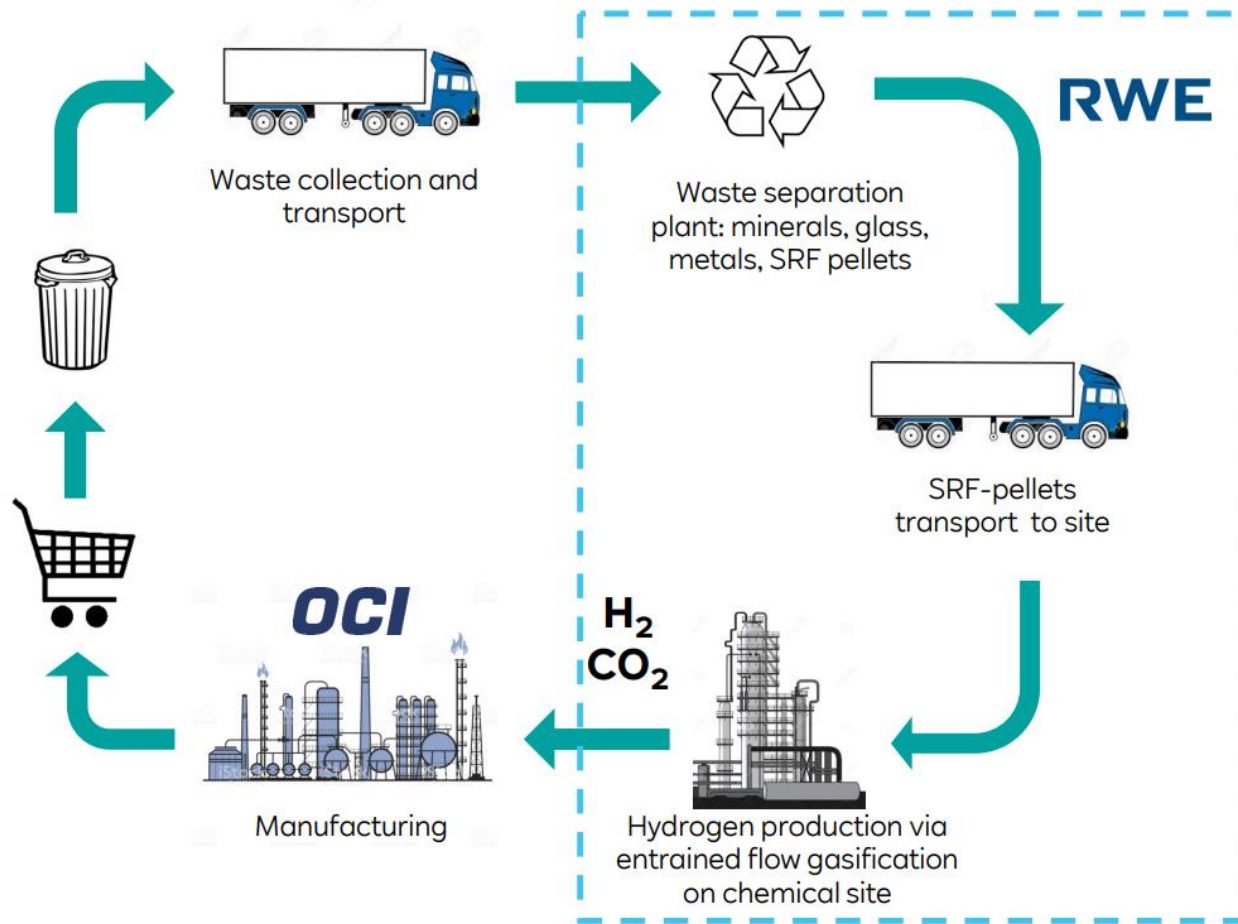
## **Modelling and experimental validation of HTW bubbling fluidized bed gasification** **TU Delft / G.I Dynamics**

Aim of the gasification process is to generate a syngas which, after cleanup and upgrading, will be suitable for fossil-free methanol production. The goal of this project is to arrive at a simple transient one-dimensional model for the gasifier at GIDARA Energy, with the ability to predict the residence time distribution of gas/solids, the (axial) temperature distribution, and the chemical conversion and selectivity to various products. Focus lies on a research-scale bubbling fluidized bed gasifier operating with solid waste feedstock, e.g. sewage, wood, household and industrial types of solid waste. To arrive at such a model, the output of more detailed Computational Fluid Dynamics models (without reactions) will be analysed and reduced to simpler equations, after which chemical reactions will be added. Cold flow experiments using a downscaled version of the gasifier will be performed at TU Delft for model validation. Validation gasification measurements at the gasifier will be performed, targeting closure of mass- and energy balances and to obtain more insight in the conversion process of the challenging circular carbon feedstock for further scale-up. These include measurement of main gaseous and solid carbon species, but also online alkali species measurement and carbon-in-ash measurements.



# Furec - RWE

## Waste-to-hydrogen produces green and circular hydrogen Contributing to Project FUREC („Fuse Reuse Recycle“)



### Project typicals

Cold commissioning MHF started  
Commercial waste dryer in operation for over a month now  
Start Basic Engineering end of this year  
FID end of 2024

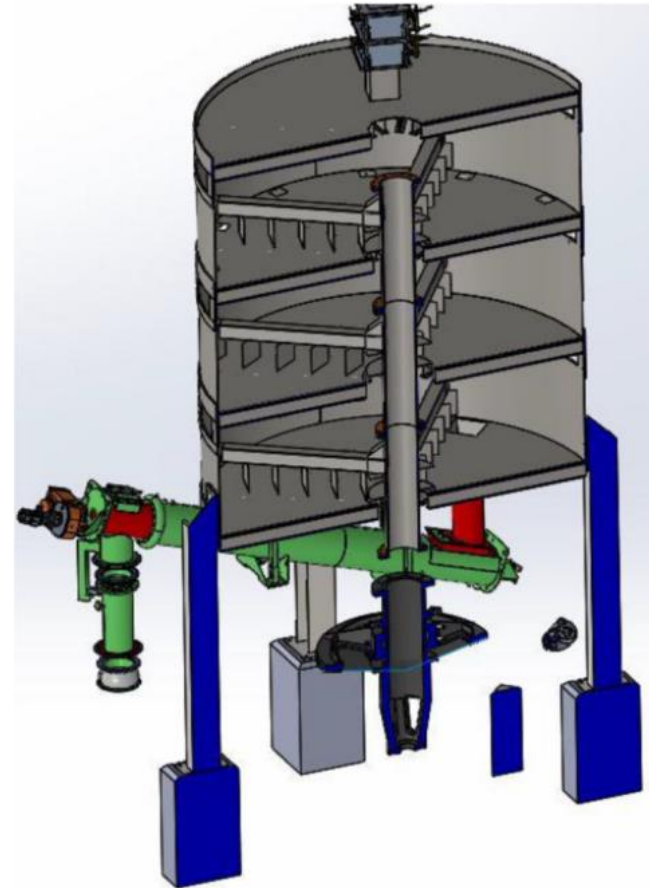
Finding good engineering firms is an issue

- Other positive value products: minerals / glass / metals / slag / sulfur / salt
- Commissioning: 2026

# Furec - RWE

## Multiple Hearth Furnace Pilot Plant Design Basics and next steps

- Low Temperature Pyrolysis (Torrefaction) of lumpy Feedstock @ 260-320 °C in order to enable grinding of fuels like
  - Biomass or
  - Pelletized RDF
- for Entrained Flow Gasification (FUREC, MFC-Plant)
- Size:  $D_o = 4 \text{ m} \mid H_t = 9 \text{ m}$
- Input: 240 kg/h
- Output: ca. 140 kg/h char
- Heating: Indirect via Thermal Oil
- Schedule: 09/21 – Order placed at John Cockerill SA  
11/22 – Start of assembly on site  
04/23 – trial run



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