



# German Government Perspectives on Hydrogen at Ports and At-Sea Marine Applications

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# TOWARDS ZERO EMISSION MOBILITY

Integrated implementation of national funding programs by NOW GmbH



## National Innovation Program for Hydrogen and Fuel Cell Technology (NIP)

Research & Development;  
Procurement



## Electric Mobility on Site

Research & Development,  
Procurement, Concepts



## Charging Infrastructure for Electric Vehicles

Nationwide Establishment of  
Regular- and Fast Charging Points

## Export Initiative for Environmental Technologies



## Mobility and Fuel Strategy

Pilot Projects  
LNG in Shipping

Coordination  
Implementation  
Networking  
Acceptance  
Visibility

## GERMAN GOVERNMENT PERSPEKTIVE

Current German Government's coalition agreement:



„At national level, we want to strengthen and stabilize our technology-open initiatives for alternative propulsion and energy sources in shipping and in ports (LNG, Hydrogen / fuel cell, methanol, electromobility).”

=> Technology-open, but focus on H<sub>2</sub> & Fuel Cells, Methanol, Electromobility

### **Current funding initiative:**

**National Innovation Program for Hydrogen and Fuel Cell Technology (NIP)**

# FUEL CELLS IN SHIPS - NIP R&D PROJECTS 2009 – TO DATE

e4ships Project Cluster - [www.e4ships.de/english-1/](http://www.e4ships.de/english-1/)



	SchIBZ2	MultiSchIBZ	Pa-X-ell	RiverCell	ELEKTRA	FC Ship Propulsion
<b>Project Management:</b>	ThyssenKrupp Marine Systems	ThyssenKrupp Marine Systems	Meyer Shipyard	Meyer Shipyard	TU Berlin	Humphry Marine
<b>Application Area Focus:</b>	Sea	Sea	Sea	Inland	Inland	Inland
<b>Application Focus:</b>	Multi Purpose Vessels, Yachts	Multi Purpose Vessels, Yachts	Cruise Ship	River Cruise Ship	Tug Boat	Leisure Boat
<b>Usage Focus:</b>	Power Supply	Power Supply	Power Supply	Power Supply & Propulsion	Power Supply & Propulsion	Power Supply & Propulsion
<b>Fuel:</b>	Diesel	Diesel; LNG	Methanol; LNG	Methanol	H <sub>2</sub>	H <sub>2</sub>



# ELEKTRA PROJECT

Example for Ship and Port Operation with Fuel Cells

## Main Dimensions

Length	20,00 m
Width	8,20 m
Depth	1,25 m
Weight	ca. 150 t

## Propulsion

2 x 210 kW  
3 x 100 kW Fuel Cell  
750 kg H<sub>2</sub> on board  
2 x 1025 kWh Battery

Local transport within Berlin



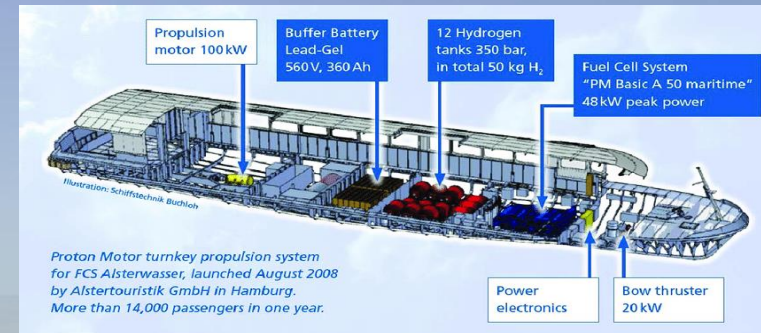
## Range extended operation

- Berlin <-> Hamburg, Berlin <-> Stettin
- min. range 130 km per day
- 16 h of operation per day
- speed requirement 8,5 km/h, max. 10 km/h

# LESSONS LEARNED ON EARLY FUEL CELL MARITIME PROJECTS

„Alsterwasser“ – Sightseeing Passenger Ship in Hamburg

**Operational: 2008 – 2013**  
(no NIP-Project)

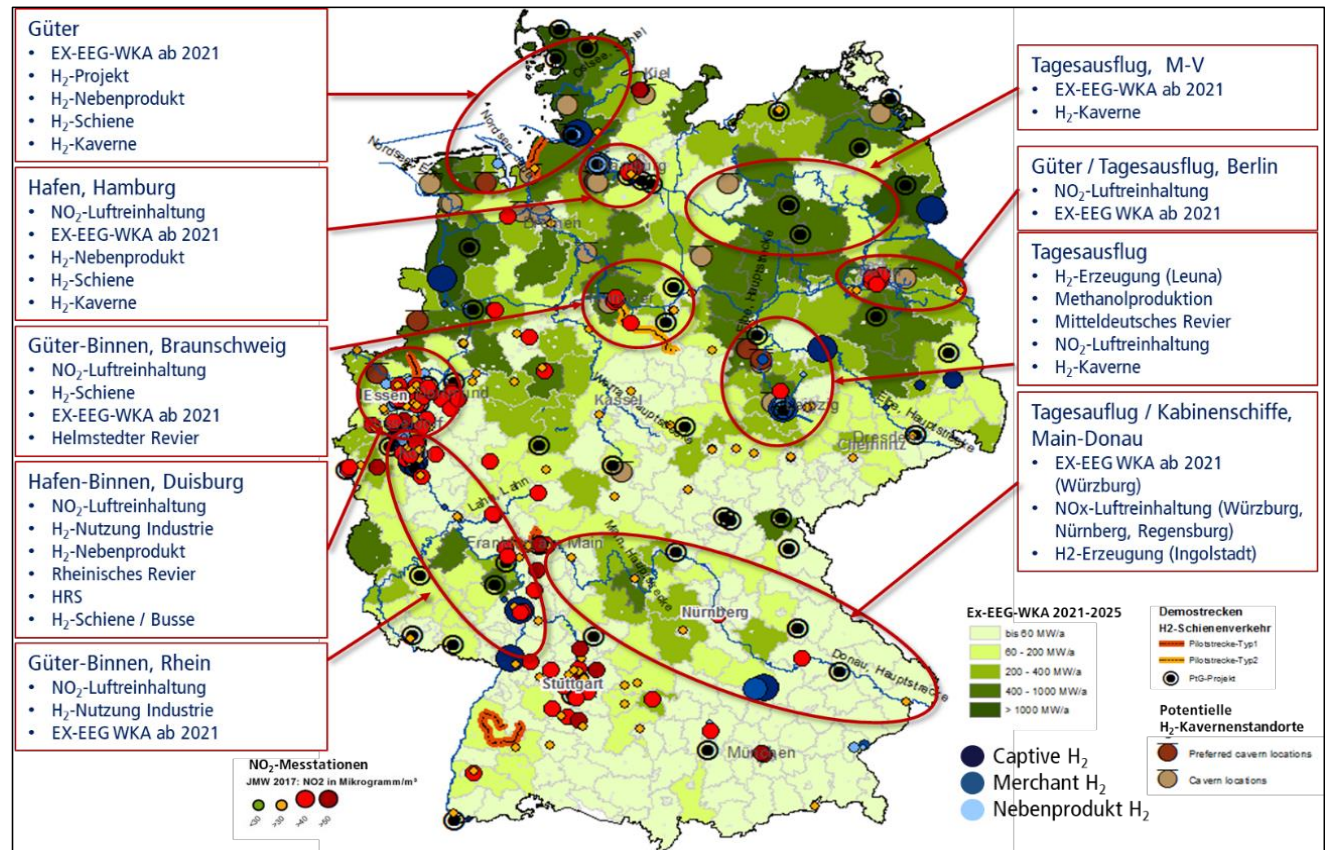


- Lessons learned:**
- Application and Infrastructure MUST go together
  - Cost have to be lowered
  - Although the project was a success, it didn't cause a „rush“ on fuel cells in maritime applications

# TO ADDRESS LESSONS LEARNED

Study „Renewable Energy for Fuel Cells in Inland Vessels“ – to be published ~ November 2019

- Identify „germ cells“ for fuel cells in ships by matching:
  - renewable energy sources
  - frequented shipping routes
  - port locations
  - cities with high emissions
- TCO analysis for various ship types and various renewable fuels
- Use study to educate relevant stakeholders about the technology



## TECHNOLOGICAL CHALLENGES

### Stack & System:

- still R&D needed for SOFC- and HT PEM- fuel cells as well as for reformer technology
- not many technological gaps for H<sub>2</sub> and PEM fuel cells => it works, high TRL

### Infrastructure and Fuels:

- local and global availability of H<sub>2</sub> and other alternative fuels
- H<sub>2</sub>:
  - pressurized, cryogenic, LOHC?
  - pressure level (350, 500, 700 bar)?
  - interface to refueling station
  - safe and low cost refueling procedure
  - standardization

### Applications:

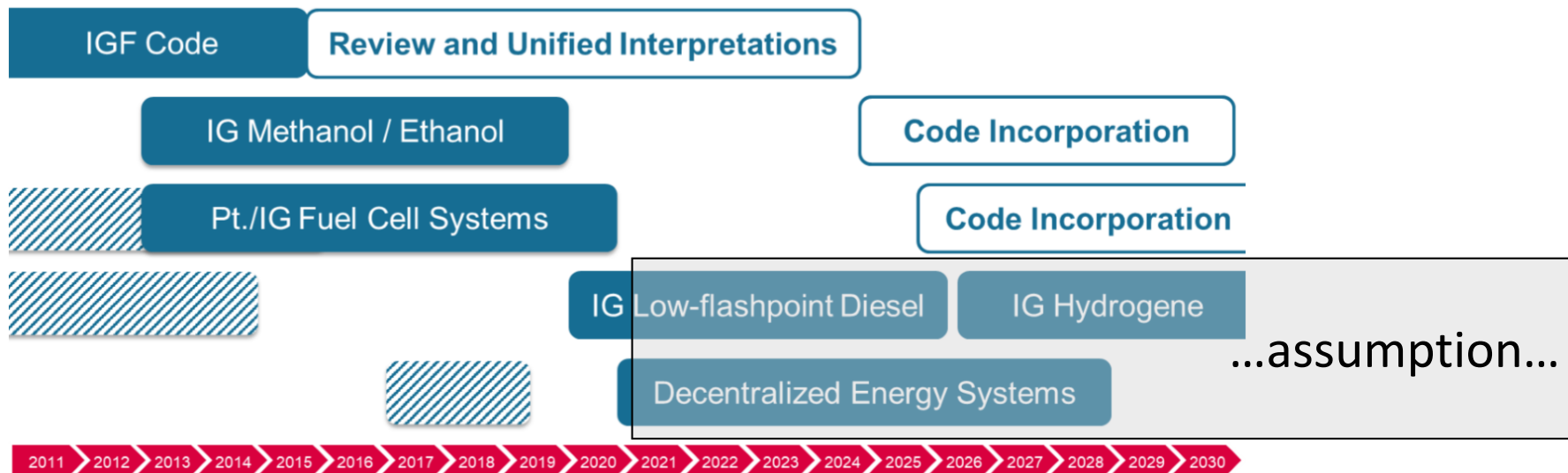
- individual design and construction of ships and fuel cell propulsion systems => economies of scale harder to achieve as in other traffic-sectors (i.e. FC cars, busses, heavy duty,...)
- lack of port-specific applications (push-trucks, heavy duty lift trucks,...)



# REGULATORY CHALLENGES AND BARRIERS RELATED TO SAFETY, CODES AND STANDARDS

Activities of the e4ships – projects concerning safety, codes and standards are bundled by e4ships-Cluster-Management:

- Development and proposal of regulations for seagoing- and inland- vessels
- Communication with Flagstate



e4ships' IMO Roadmap for maritime application of fuel cell

Thank you for your attention!



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