

Air Liquide

& Hydrogen industrial merchant



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Air Liquide Group: Key Figures





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Air Liquide Group : Ambitions



- 60% of Air Liquide's R&D budget devoted to developing technologies designed to sustainable development
- **5 strategic pillars for growth**



Energy



Environment



Health



High-Tech



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Developing economies

Air Liquide, the **world leader** in gases for industry, health and the environment



Air Liquide & hydrogen





Background

- >40 years in industry applications
- >10 years in H2 Fuel cells

> Expertise

- Engineering activities
- production, transport & distribution

Worldwide infrastructure

- > 200 hydrogen production units, including 38 large capacity units
 1 800 km pipeline in Europe, the
- 1,800 km pipeline in Europe, the United States and Asia
- > 1,000 trucks

> Sales

- 1,4 billion Euros in 2010
- 9 billion m3 produced by AL

More than 40 years of experience in hydrogen





Hydrogen merchant sources : traditional ways

- Principle overview : Raw materials + Energy -> H2 (+ by-products).
- **Raw materials: Mainly hydrocarbons, coal and water.**
- Sources of energy: Electricity and hydrocarbons.



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Hydrogen production : main current processes



Hydrogen production : SMR





 $CH_4 + H_2 O + Heat = CO + 3H_2$ (Reforming of methane) $CO + H_2O = CO_2 + H_2 + Heat$ (Water gas shift)



SMR principle : step by step





Up to 130 000 m3/h

Large Industry Business: On-Site SMR operated by AL for customer supply

Industrial Merchant Business: H2 sourced from LI SMR



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50 to 1000 m3/h

Industrial Merchant Business: Hyos-R for customer supply

Electrolysis principle:



Demineralised water is fed into the HYOS. Within the electrolysis module, water is split into its basic elements when DC current is applied :



Overall reaction: $H_2O \longrightarrow H_2 + 1/2O_2$

Hydrogen and oxygen bubbles are carried along with the electrolyte (KOH) to the gas separators. Finally, gaseous hydrogen is filtered and delivered to customer process.

Overall reaction: H2O -> H2 + 1/2 O2

On-Site Electrolyser (HYOS-E) for customer supply by AL Up to 120 Nm3/h



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Hydrogen by-product

- H2 by-product = produced inadvertantly as a by-product of a process (chemical, petrochemical sources).
- H2 Offgas streams often vented or burned for fuel value instead of being valorized
- Chemical by-product sources are preferred (low cost, continuity of operation, relative good purity).
 - Ex : production of chlorine, sodium chlorate, ethylene, acetylene, cyanide, styrene, …
- Purification (PSA) needed to produce high quality H2

Hydrogen as a by-product of Chlorine production:

Principle:

2 Na Cl + 2 $H_2O \rightarrow Cl_2$ + 2 Na OH + H_2

H2 sourced from third-party Electrolysis



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Hydrogen distribution



Small quantities : 1 to 50 m3/h



Small quantities : 1000 to 130 000 m3/h

Hydrogen distribution





Trucks - Trailers



Liquid : Cryogenic tanks -253°C 40,000 Nm3



Gaseous : Trailers 200b steel (4000 m3) 200b composite (6300 Nm3)



Many existing applications for H₂...





Heat Treatment 10 m3/h (batch) – 1000 m3/h (continuous)



Glass 80 to 500 m3/h



H2 Ultra pure <1ppb 50 to 500 m3/h





Chemicals & Reffinery Ex: 0,067 t/ton Anilin Petroleum refining (desulfuration & hydrocracking) 10-100 km3/h



Ariane 5 28 t/launch



Fuel cell vehicle 1 kg for 100 km





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Carbon-free processes : BLUE Hydrogen

Competitiveness (production costs €/kg H2)

High efficiency (energy/feedstock required / kg H2 produced)

Production capacity : Industrial scale





Air Liquide's Blue Hydrogen program



At least 50% of hydrogen energy produced through carbon-free processes by 2020

- renewable energy sources, water electrolysis and biogas reforming,
- carbon capture and storage technologies with natural gas reforming

A commitment to meet both environmental requirements and social and economic constraints.

Hydrogen Production without CO₂ emissions

Vision on lean-CO₂ and renewable H₂ production technologies



Blue Hydrogen: Air Liquide commitment to decarbonize H2 production

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