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# Fuel & Technology Outlook

## Maritime Energy Sources for the Future

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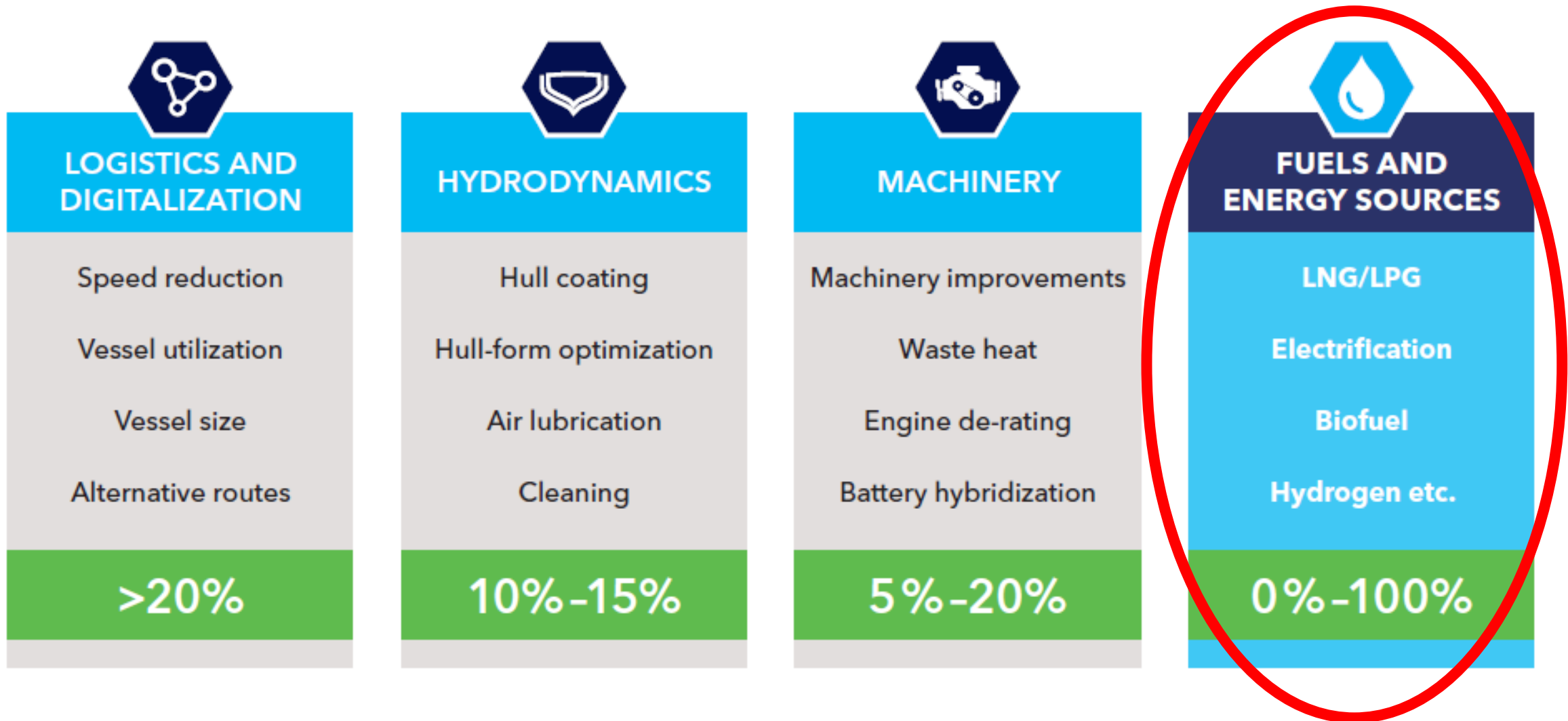
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# Shifting to alternative fuels is the only way to carbon-neutral shipping



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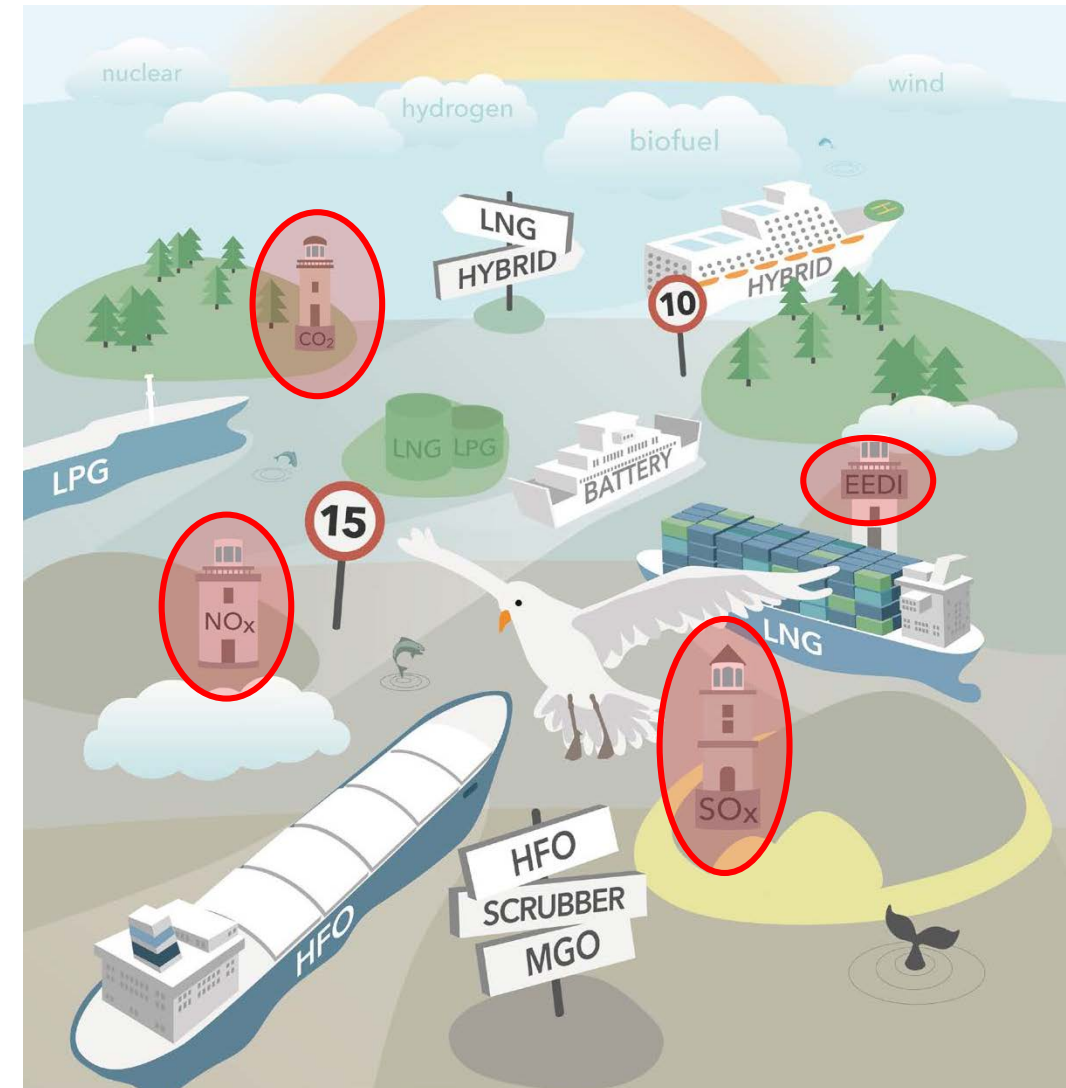
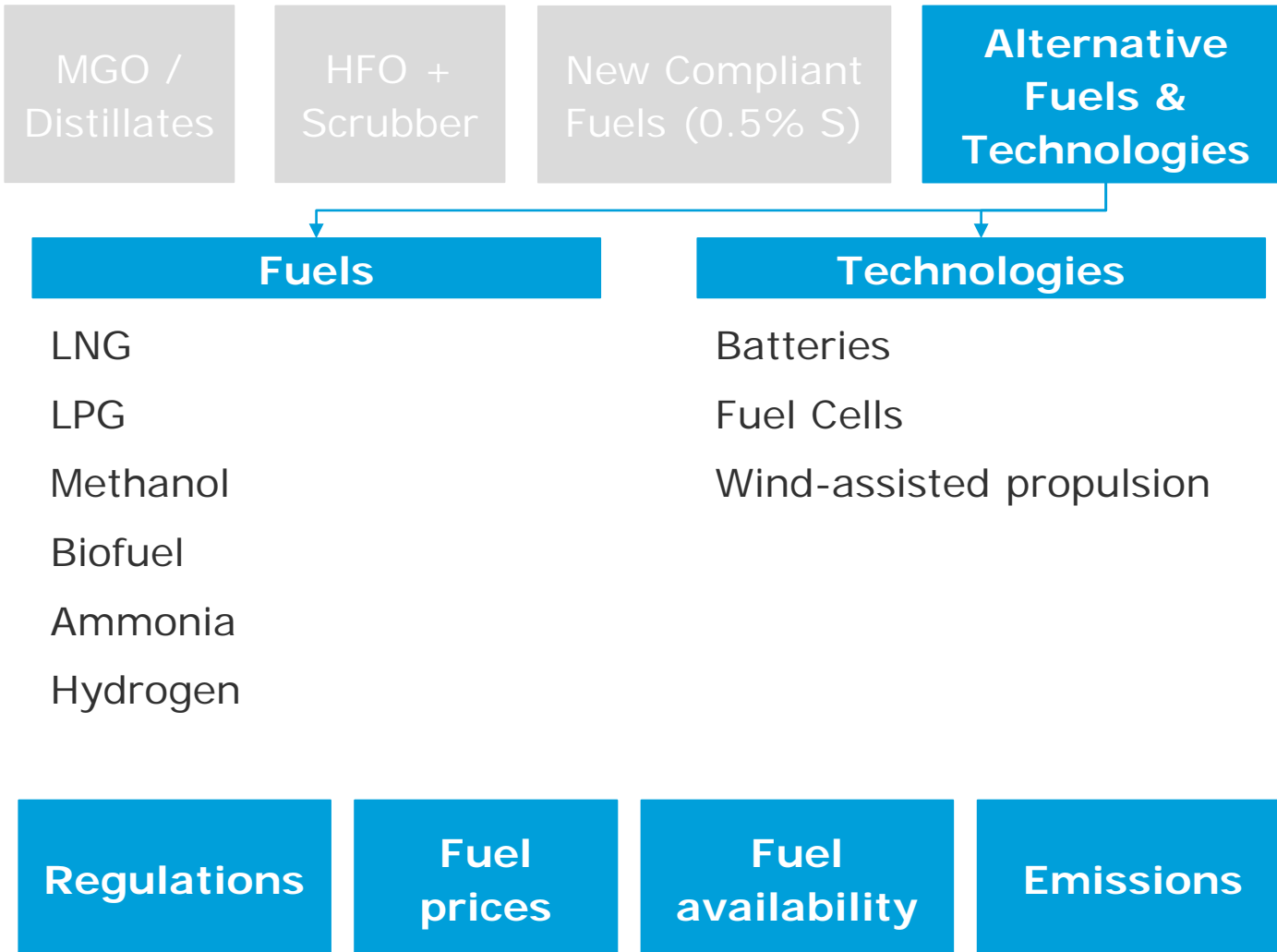
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# What are the realistic alternative fuels and technologies to come?



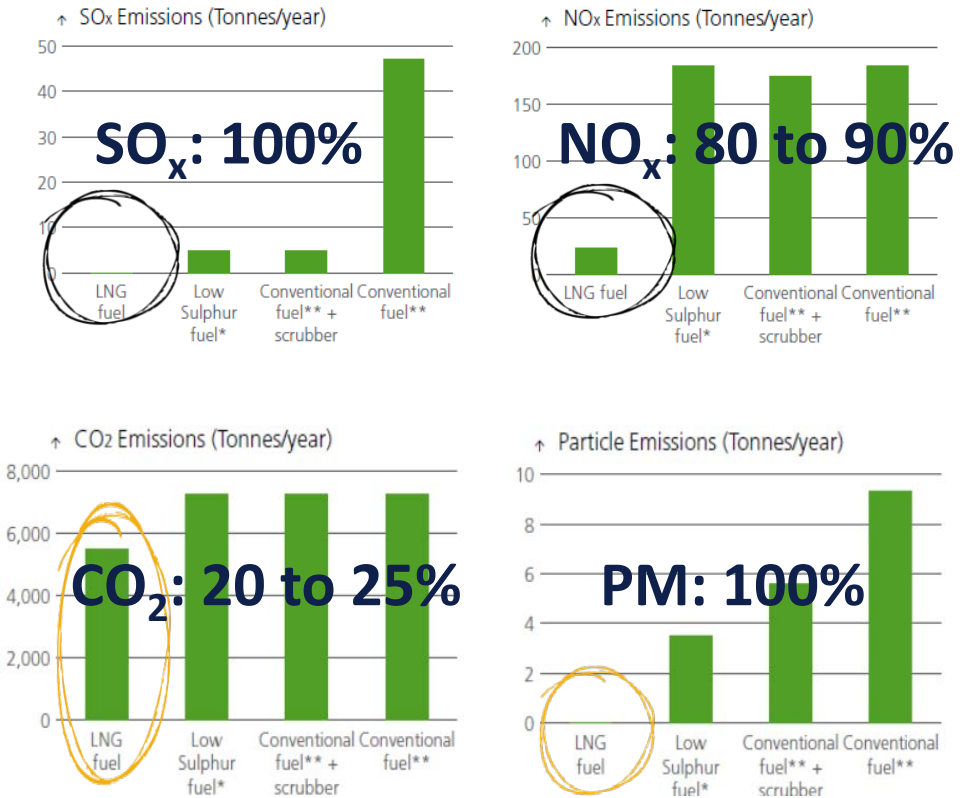
# Alternative Fuels: LNG (CH<sub>4</sub>)

## LNG as fuel:

- ✓ LNG has good environmental performance
  - ✓ reduced NO<sub>x</sub>, can reach NO<sub>x</sub> Tier III limits (depending on combustion process)
  - ✓ no SO<sub>x</sub>, nearly no PM/BC
  - ✓ reduced CO<sub>2</sub>, positive EEDI impact
  - ✓ sufficiently existence to fuel shipping
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- high invest for newbuilds, retrofit possible but costly
  - regional price volatilities
  - lower energy density compared to HFO/MGO
  - methane slip might lower overall GHG benefit



Environmental emissions for alternative concepts for a typical baltic sea cargo ship



CO<sub>2</sub>: Tank to Wake basis in this case

## Alternative Fuels: LPG ( $C_3H_8$ , $C_4H_{10}$ )

- LPG is widely accepted (land-based and marine) mixture of propane & butane
- meets **SO<sub>x</sub> requirement** (max. 0.1% sulphur)
- potential fuel cost savings (**cheaper than MGO**)
- Comparable cost to SO<sub>x</sub> scrubber solution
- Easier to handle than LNG, no cryogenic temperatures
  - Cheaper containment system than LNG
- Retrofit solution possible
- Speculation in future fuel cost variation (flexible fuel utilisation)
- **for gas carriers:** savings of both time and fees for not bunkering when fuel can be taken from cargo tanks

New Fuels Emission Reductions (cf. Tier II engines on HFO)\*

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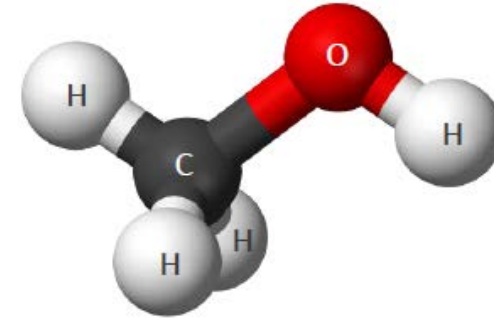
Data derived by: [MAN Energy Solutions: ME-LGIP Dual-Fuel LPG Engine](#)



\* Source: MAN Energy Solutions

## Alternative Fuels: Methanol (CH<sub>3</sub>OH)

- **Technically** methanol could be a viable fuel option for shipping
  - green fuel (when produced from biomass or PtX)
  - due to its toxicity and low flash point, methanol is more complicated to handle compared with HFO/ MGO but easier to handle than LNG
  - tank and engine technology is available (in general)
- **Commercially** methanol is not attractive at this stage (much higher price compared with MGO/HFO) and additional investments are necessary to allow vessels to use methanol fuel
- Methanol as fuel does not solve the NO<sub>x</sub> / Tier III challenge on its own but engines need to be equipped with smaller EGR/SCR systems



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- Distribution to ships can be accomplished either by truck or bunker vessel.  
In the port of Gothenburg, **Stena Lines** has created a dedicated area for **bunkering the vessel Stena Germanica**, which includes a few simple safety barriers to avoid problems in case of a leak.
- In Germany, the first methanol infrastructure chain, from production using renewable energy to trucking and ship bunkering through to consumption in a fuel cell system on board the inland passenger vessel MS Innogy, was launched in August 2017.

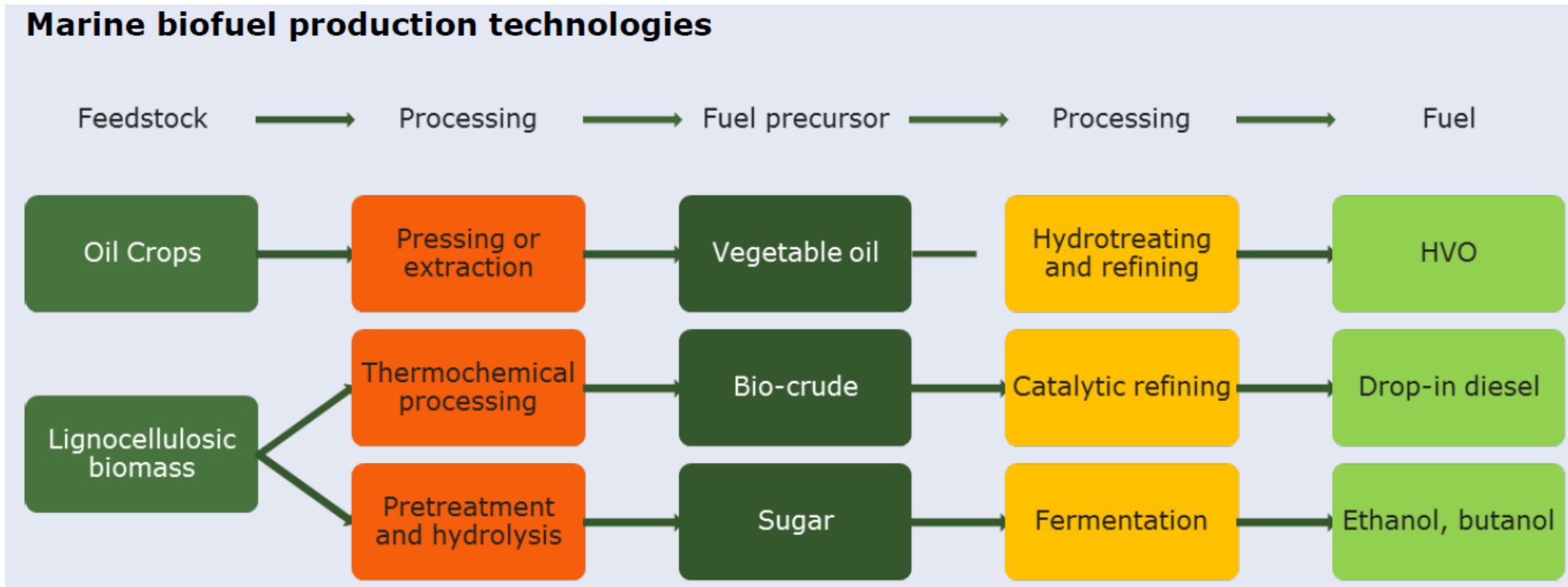


7 chemical tankers operated on Methanol

## Alternative Fuels: Biofuel

- Production of biofuel is commonly categorized based on their (carbon) source:
  - First-generation biofuels: directly extracted from plants / fruits sources may include sugar, starch or lipid
  - Second-generation (advanced) biofuels: derived from woody crops, purpose-grown non-food feedstock, and wastes/residues
  - Third-generation (advanced) biofuels: derived from aquatic autotrophic organisms (e.g. algae\*)
- Advanced biofuels are considered more sustainable since they do not compete with food crops.
- Most promising biofuels for ships are biodiesel, fatty acid methyl ester (FAME) and liquefied biogas (LBG)
  - **Biodiesel** is most suitable for replacing MDO/MGO
  - **LBG** is the best replacement of fossil LNG
  - Straight vegetable oil (**SVO**) may substitute HFO
- Since 2006, several demonstration projects have tested technical feasibility of various FAME biodiesel blends in shipping.
- **Challenges for FAME biofuels** include fuel instability, corrosion, susceptibility to microbial growth, and poor cold-flow properties. Recently, ferries operating in Norway have started to use **HVO** (hydrotreated vegetable oil) biodiesel.
- **Renewable HVO biodiesel** is a high-quality fuel in which oxygen has been removed using hydrogen, which results in **long-term stability**.
  - Compatible with existing infrastructure and can be used in existing engines, subject to approval by manufacturer.
  - no SO<sub>x</sub>, reduced NO<sub>x</sub> and PM emissions

# Biofuels start to gain traction in the market

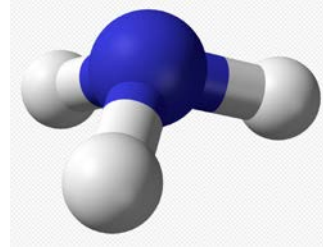


Source: IEA, 2017; <http://task39.sites.olt.ubc.ca/files/2013/05/Marine-biofuel-report-final-Oct-2017.pdf>

**Crucial Question:** is/will there sufficient biomass available to fuel shipping?

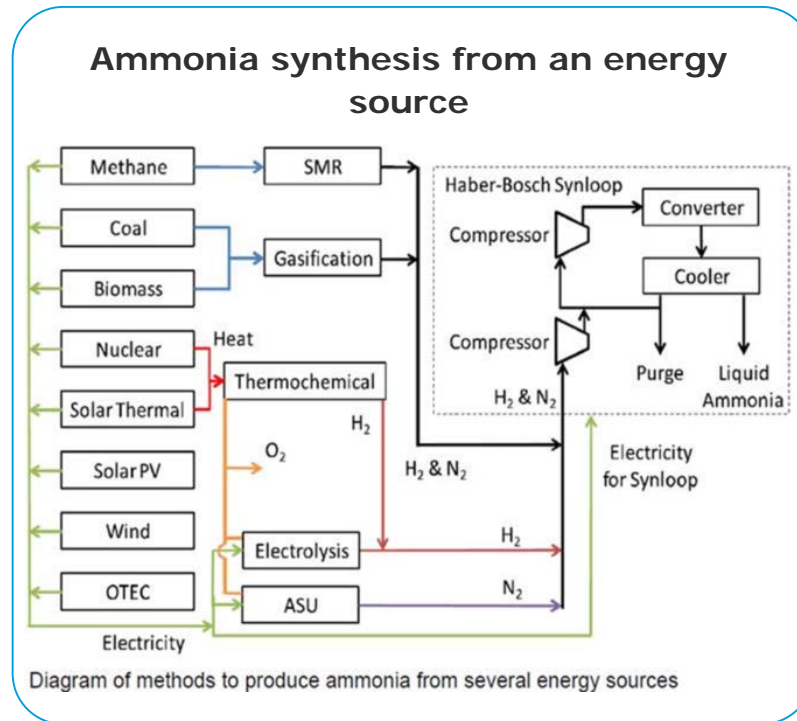
# Alternative Fuels: Ammonia (NH<sub>3</sub>)

Ammonia, NH<sub>3</sub> as a green fuel if produced with renewable energy



## Benefits of NH<sub>3</sub> as a green fuel:

- No carbon combustion
- Can be reformed to H<sub>2</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>
- Can be stored with high energy density at < 20 bar (boiling temp.: - 33°C)
- **BUT:**
  - Very toxic at low concentrations (300 ppm and higher)
  - no experience in combustion details and associated NO<sub>x</sub>



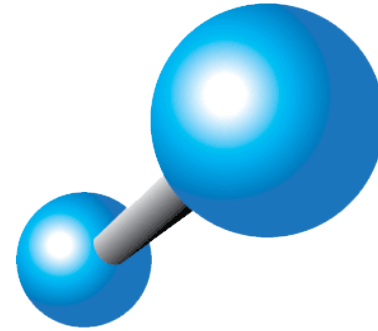
**The new MAN B&W ME-LGIP engine**  
This engine can be modified to burn ammonia as well

- 1 LPG service tank
- 2 Low-flashpoint fuel supply system
- 3 Fuel valve train
- 4 Nitrogen storage
- 5 Knock-out drums

- Development time of an ammonia engine 2-3 years
- We will be ready when the market comes
- Efficiency 50%

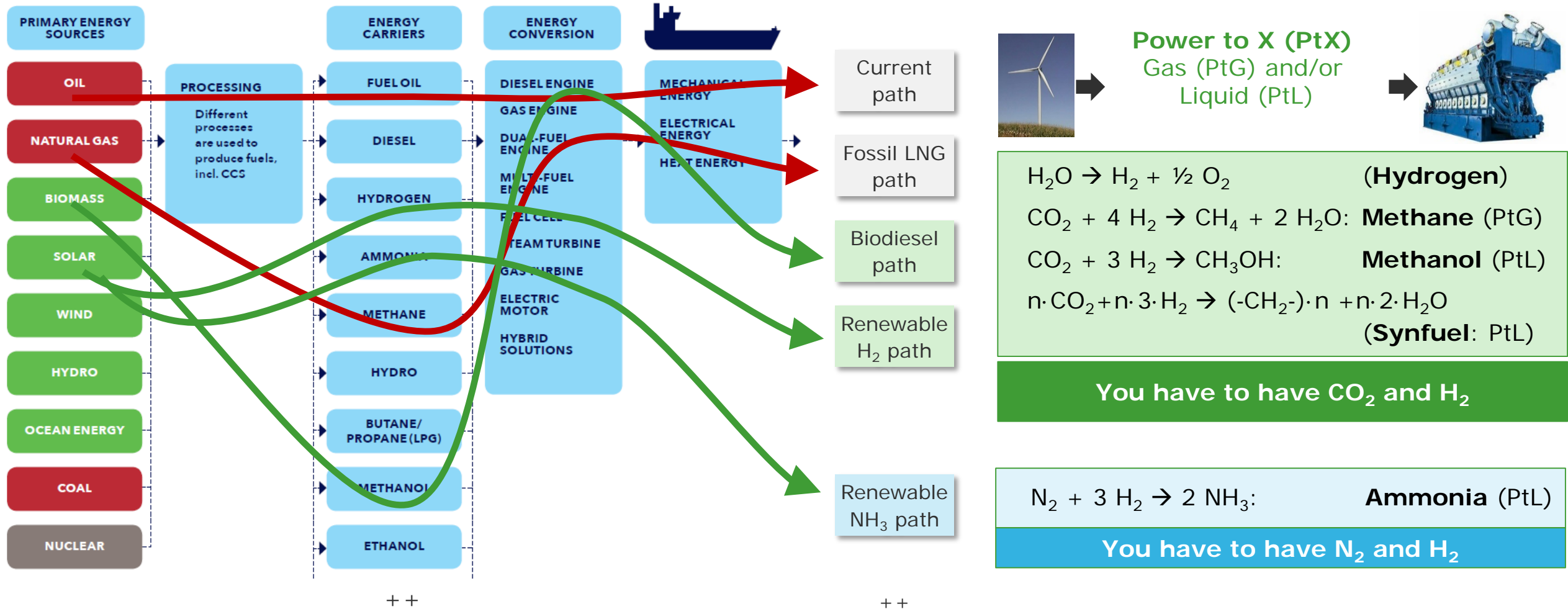
## Alternative Fuels: Hydrogen (H<sub>2</sub>)

- Two main production paths assumed for H<sub>2</sub>:
  - H<sub>2</sub> from natural gas, most common production method today
  - **in future**: H<sub>2</sub> produced by electrolysis using renewable energy
- For use on ships, it can either be stored as cryogenic liquid, compressed gas, or chemically bound.
- Energy density per mass of H<sub>2</sub> is about 3 times higher than energy density of HFO however,
- **Volumetric density of liquefied:**  
**H<sub>2</sub> = 71 kg/m<sup>3</sup> (7% that of HFO)**
  - approx. 5-7 times more volume/space cf. HFO
  - compressed, approx. 10-15 x volume cf. HFO



- Bunkering of H<sub>2</sub>-fuelled ships is subject to national regulations and therefore needs to be evaluated on a case-by-case basis.
- **Bunkering and port regulations for bunkering H<sub>2</sub> fuel does not exist for the time being.** However, several ports do have LNG rules, bunkering is subject to SGMF guidelines and ISO/TS 18683. It is assumed that there will be a significant overlap with future standards for hydrogen.

# Three distinct fuel path families: fossil, biomass and electricity



Inspired by Brynolf S. (2014), 'Environmental assessment of present and future marine fuels'

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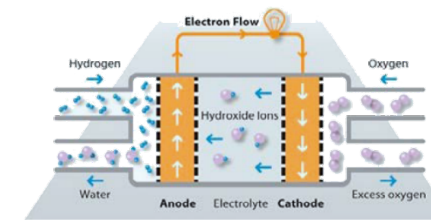
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# Alternative Technologies: Batteries, Fuel Cells, and Wind-assisted Propulsion

- **Batteries** as an 'alternative fuel' have major potential **for ships running on short distances**, and for any ship when used to **increase the efficiency** of the propulsion system. They **cannot substitute fuel** in deep-sea shipping.
- Ship applications of **fuel cell technology** are still in their **infancy**.
- **Wind-assisted** propulsion has a certain potential to reduce fuel consumption when used on slow ships, but the **business case remains difficult**.



Batteries



Functional principle of a fuel cell

Fuel Cell Systems



Wind-assisted propulsion



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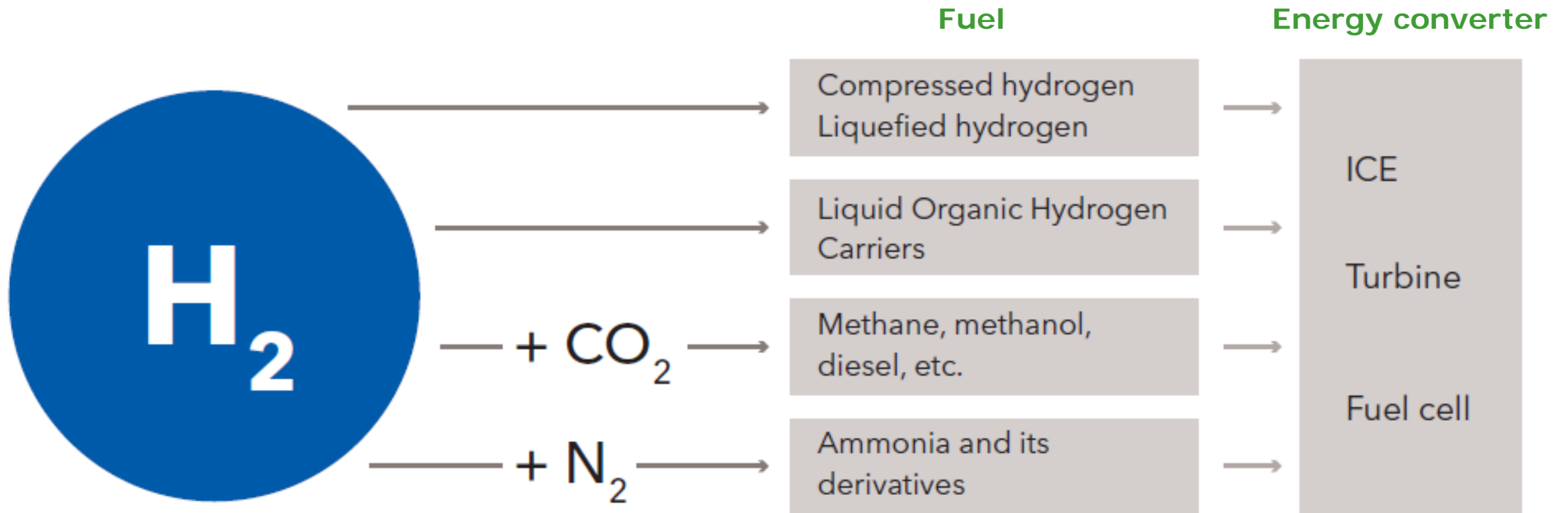
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# Electricity based fuels – it all starts with Hydrogen



Key:  $CO_2$ , carbon dioxide;  $H_2$ , hydrogen;  $N_2$ , nitrogen; ICE, internal combustion engine

Source: Inspired by Päivi et al. (2018)

## Summary

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1. The global constraints to reduce GHG emissions (Paris agreement) and the IMO initial GHG strategy to reduce **GHG emission by 50% within 2050** will become a **game changer**
2. The additional worldwide trend towards **lowering air pollutants** i.e. **SO<sub>x</sub>, NO<sub>x</sub> and PM/BC** will remain **relevant** in the public and **regulatory domain**.
3. DNV GL identified **LNG, LPG, methanol** and **biofuel** as promising alternative fuels for shipping (within next decade).
4. Further on, **battery** and **fuel cell** systems as well as **wind**-assisted propulsion have reasonable potential for shipping.
5. In a **sustainable energy world** where all **energy is produced by renewable CO<sub>2</sub>-neutral sources, hydrogen and CO<sub>2</sub>** will be the basis for fuel production



# More material

- Alternative fuels guidance published in June 2019
  - Regulations and class rules
  - Overview of fuels: maturity, fuel prices, engine costs

<https://www.dnvgl.com/maritime/publications/alternative-fuel-assessment-download.html>

- Alternative Fuels Insight Platform
  - <http://afi.dnvgl.com>

- Energy Transition Outlook 2019 to be released on 11 September
  - World fleet CO<sub>2</sub> barometer
  - Alternative fuel barriers dashboard
  - Fuel flexibility as a bridge towards low-carbon shipping
  - Energy use and projected fuel mix 2018–2050
  - Future-proofing ships

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Explore the development of bunkering infrastructure for alternative fuels. You can also see where ships using alternative fuels and technologies are already operating.

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