

# What are the next steps - impurities risk analysis ?

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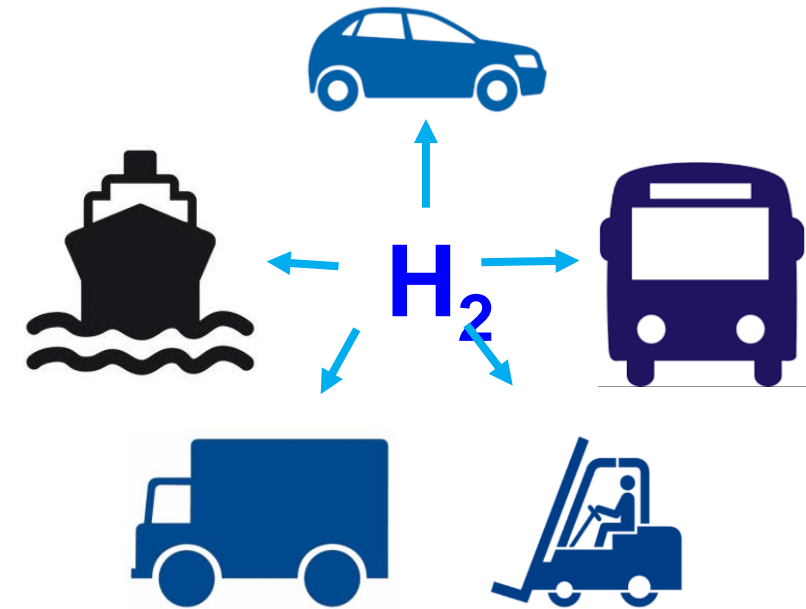
# Impurity Risk Analysis and Quality Assurance

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2. ISO 19880-8 - Application by industry
3. Industrial needs and Metrology involvement



# European Regulation and standards

- Alternative Fuel Infrastructure European Directive (AFI) is applicable since January 2018
- Each European country has to translate this directive in national regulation
- H<sub>2</sub> quality for fuel cell vehicles shall be in agreement with EN 17124
- **EN 17124: Hydrogen fuel – Product specification and quality assurance – Proton exchange membrane (PEM) fuel cell applications for road vehicles**  
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# ISO Standards for quality

## ISO 14687 H<sub>2</sub> Grade D:

Specifies the quality characteristics of hydrogen fuel produced and distributed for utilization in PEM FCV applications.

ISO 14687

H<sub>2</sub> Quality  
for FCEV  
(Grade D)

## ISO 19880-8:

Specifies the methodologies to establish Quality Assurance plans for H<sub>2</sub>

ISO 19880-8

H<sub>2</sub> Quality  
Assurance

ISO 21087

H<sub>2</sub>  
Analytical  
Methods

## ISO 21087:

Specifies **validation protocol** of analytical methods for **controlling H<sub>2</sub> quality**

# ISO 19880-8 - Quality Assurance

- **Objective:**

- For each H<sub>2</sub> Refuelling Station: Evaluation of the risk to have impurities above the threshold values from production up to the HRS

- **3 key questions:**

- What might go wrong: which event can cause the impurities to be above the threshold value?
  - What is the likelihood (probability of occurrence) that impurities can be above the threshold value?
  - What are the consequences (severity) for the fuel cell car?
- Define an acceptability table

# ISO 19880-8 - Quality Assurance

Acceptability table

|   |   | Severity |   |   |   |   |
|---|---|----------|---|---|---|---|
| Occurrence as the combined probabilities of occurrence along the whole supply chain |   | 0        | 1   | 2 | 3   | 4 |
|   | 4   |          |   |   |   |   |
|   | 3   |          |   |   |   |   |
|   | 2   |          |   |   |   |   |
|   | 1   |          |   |   |   |   |
|   | 0   |          |   |   |   |   |
|   | Unacceptable risk ; additional control or barriers are required |          | Further investigations are needed: existing barriers or control may not be enough |   | Acceptable risk area Existing controls acceptable |   |

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# ISO 19880-8 – Application by industry

## Customize the quality assurance according:

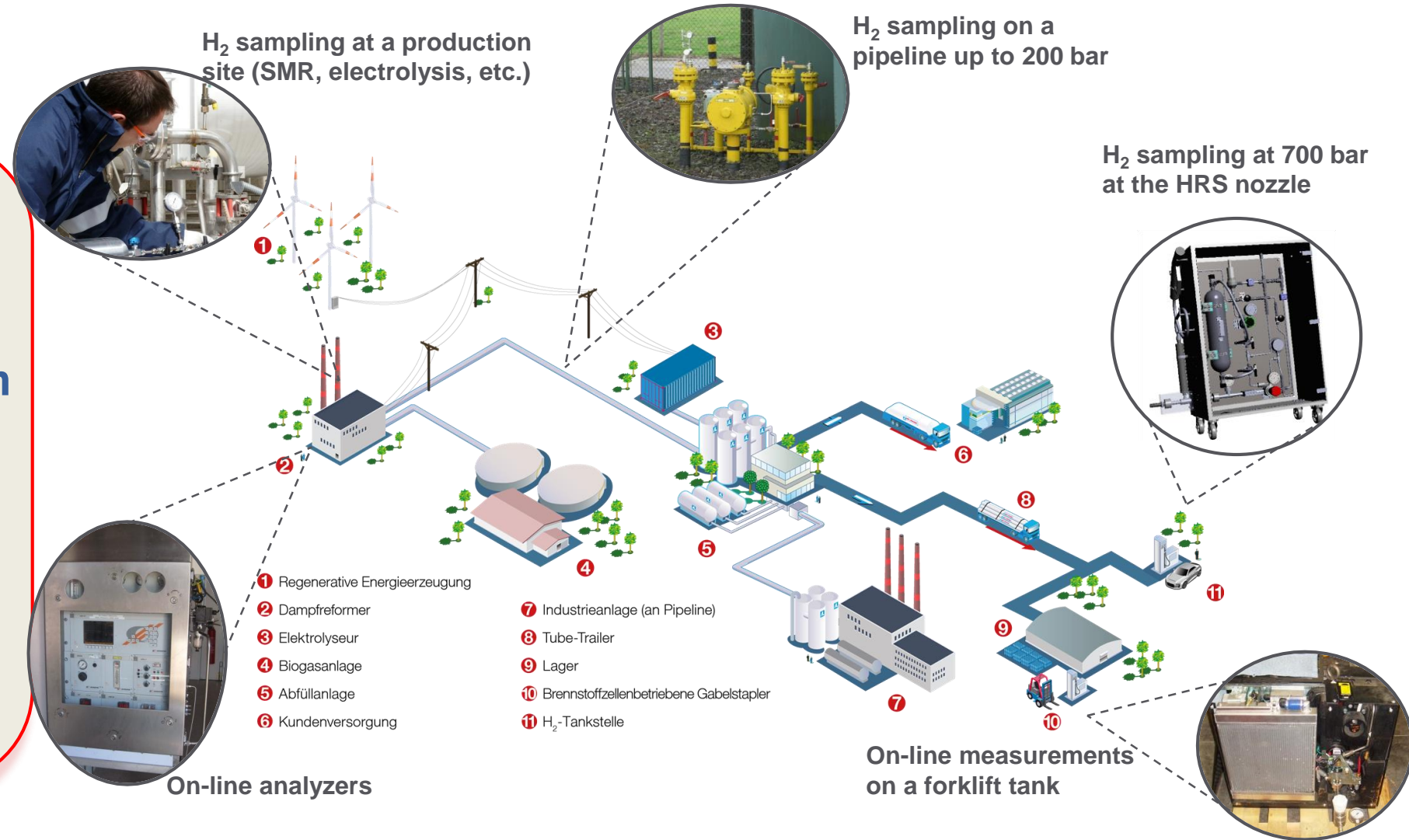
- Evaluated risks
- Available controls on the supply chain

## To avoid:

- Unnecessary costs

## To maintain:

- High level of guarantee



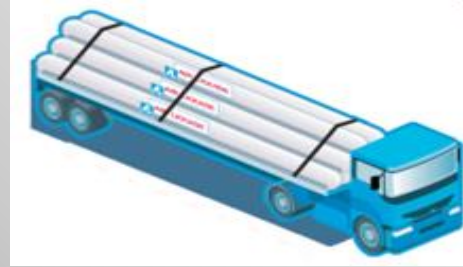


# Establish risk analysis from production to HRS



- **Production site**

- **SMR\***
- **Electrolysis**



- **Transport**

- **GH2**
- **LH2**



- **Point of use**

- **Automotive and**
- **Stationary applications**

Impurity risk analysis done by experts

# Example: one HRS supplied by SMR

| ISO spec 14687 (new)       |           | Supply Chain   |                                 |     | Compounded probability | Severity | Criticality |
|----------------------------|-----------|----------------|---------------------------------|-----|------------------------|----------|-------------|
| Contaminant                | Threshold | Production SMR | Filling center and TT transport | HRS |                        |          |             |
| Inert gases : N2           | 300       | 1              | 2                               | 3   | 3                      | 1        | Yellow      |
| Inert Gas Ar               |           | 0              | 0                               | 0   | 0                      | 1        | Green       |
| Oxygen                     | 5         | 0              | 0                               | 1   | 1                      | 0        | Green       |
| Carbon dioxide             | 2         | 0              | 0                               | 0   | 0                      | 1        | Green       |
| Carbon monoxide            | 0,2       | 3              | 0                               | 0   | 3                      | 2        | Red         |
| Methane (CH4)              | 100       | 0              | 0                               | 0   | 0                      | 1        | Green       |
| Water                      | 5         | 0              | 0                               | 3   | 3                      | 4        | Red         |
| Total sulphured components | 0,004     | 0              | 0                               | 0   | 0                      | 4        | Green       |
| Ammonia                    | 0,1       | 0              | 0                               | 0   | 0                      | 4        | Green       |
| Total hydrocarbons         | 2         | 0              | 1                               | 1   | 1                      | 4        | Red         |
| Formaldehyde               | 0,2       | 0              | 0                               | 0   | 0                      | 2        | Green       |
| Formic acid                | 0,2       | 0              | 0                               | 0   | 0                      | 2        | Green       |
| Halogenated compounds      | 0,05      | 0              | 1                               | 1   | 1                      | 4        | Red         |
| Helium                     | 300       | 0              | 0                               | 0   | 0                      | 1        | Green       |

Critical impurities:

N2, CO, H2O,  
Total Hydrocarbons,  
Halogenated compounds

To reduce the risk  
additional barriers are  
necessary

# Define the quality assurance plan

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- ❑ According to the risk assessment:
  - ❑ *Define the critical impurities to follow*
  - ❑ *Define the frequency of analysis*
  - ❑ *Establish the sampling protocol (production, transport or HRS)*

# Selection of laboratory for analysis

## ❑ Criteria for selection:

- ❑ *Is it able to make the sampling ?*
- ❑ *Is it able to transport samples according to transport regulation*
- ❑ *Is it able to analyze all impurities ? In which delay ?*
- ❑ *Validation of the methods according to ISO 21087*

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- ❑ **Reduce cost for analysis:**
  - ❑ On line sensors
  - ❑ Less impurities to control
  - ❑ Clarification of “total” in the specification
  - ❑ Reduce sampling device cost ....
- ❑ **Analytical methods validation**
  - ❑ Need reference gas mixtures
  - ❑ Need proficiency tests
- ❑ **Collect all data from different production sources and HRS to define probability of occurrence for impurities**
- ❑ **Better knowledge of critical impurities for the fuel cell with acceptable threshold**
- ❑ ....



# THANK YOU

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- ❑ To be discussed ....



- ❑ Questions for Speakers ?