



# CARBON CAPTURING AS A PART OF EFUELS PLANT OPTIMIZATION

ANDRITZ P2X SOLUTIONS

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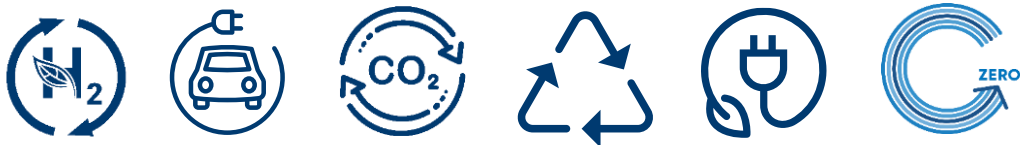
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# DECARBONIZATION: WE ENABLE THE GREEN TRANSITION

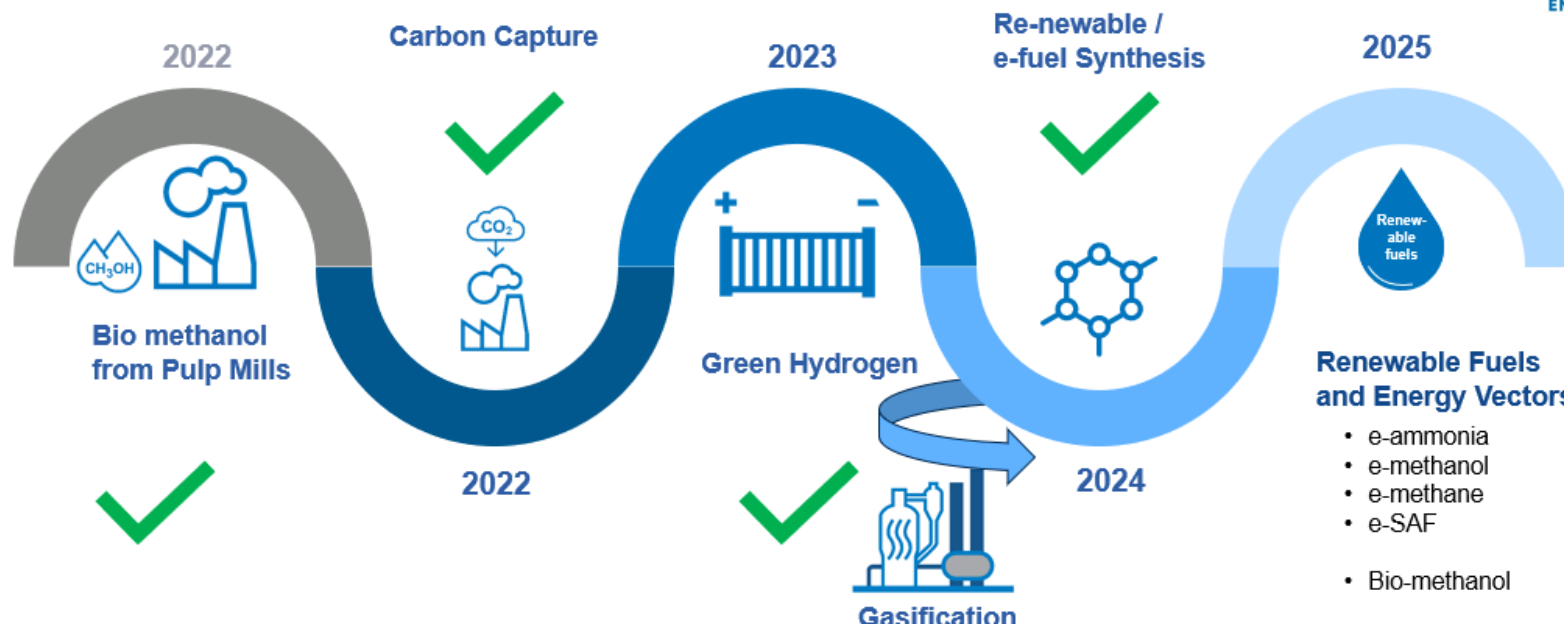
- Developing economically viable key technologies for the green transition
- Providing full lifecycle services from project development to operation and maintenance
- We offer solutions for:
  - carbon capture
  - production of green hydrogen
  - production of renewable fuels
  - battery production for e-mobility
  - textile recycling



# ANDRITZ CARBON CAPTURING

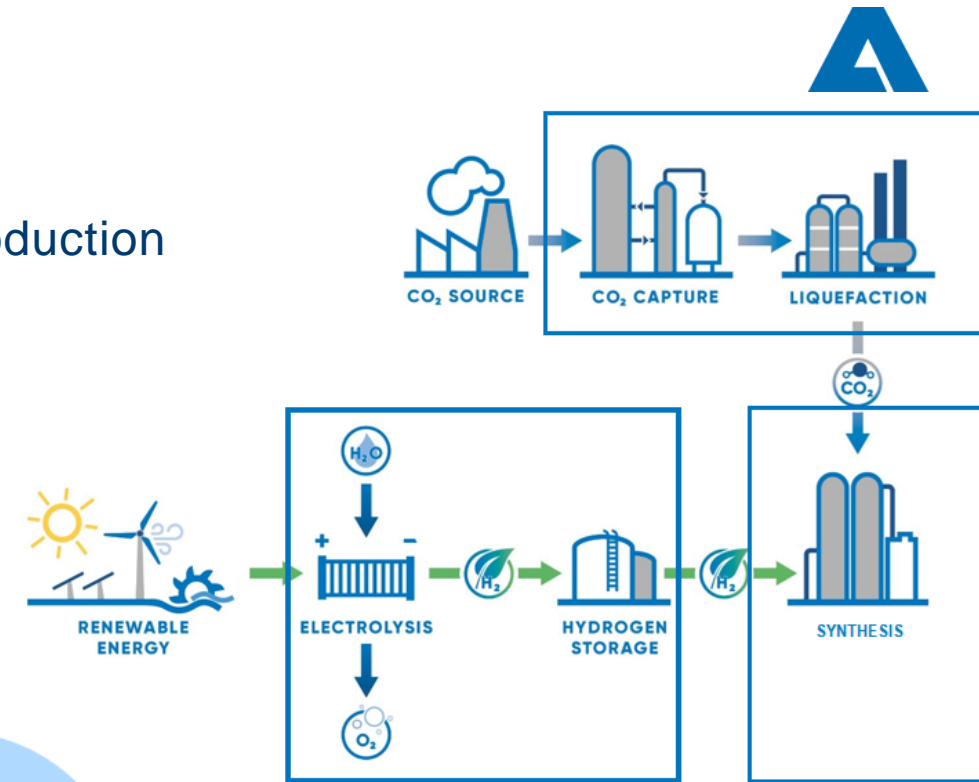
Most comprehensive portfolio on CC for utilization in eFuels production

- Proprietary CO<sub>2</sub> technology developed ever since early 2000's
- Capturing by Amines, HPC, and Membrane technologies
- Understanding for eFuels production needs for CO<sub>2</sub> for being supplier for complete eFuels plants



## Renewable Fuels and Energy Vectors

- e-ammonia
- e-methanol
- e-methane
- e-SAF
- Bio-methanol



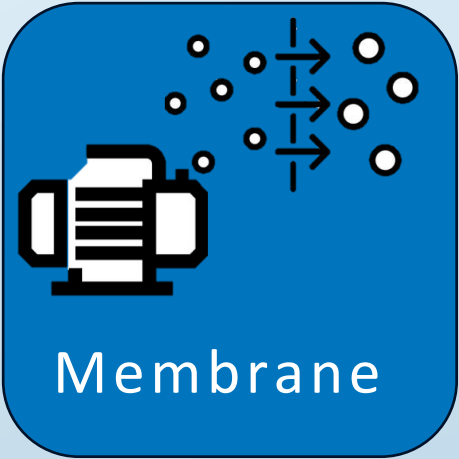
# ANDRITZ CCS TECHNOLOGIES



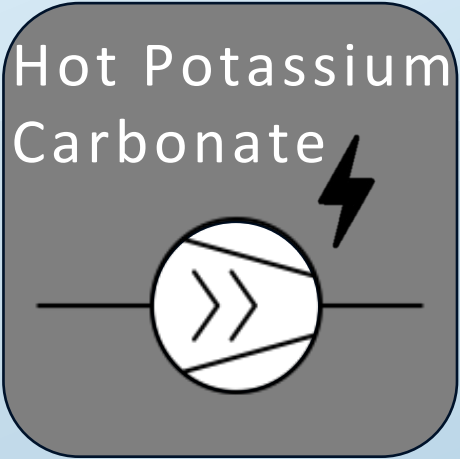
## Comparison of available technologies



Amine Wash



Membrane



Hot Potassium Carbonate

Removal Efficiency

>95%



Up to 90%



>95%



Energy Consumption

incl. ~0.5 GJ<sub>el</sub>/t for Compr.

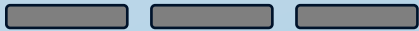
1.5 – 3.5 GJ/t CO<sub>2</sub><sup>\*</sup>



1.7 – 2.0 GJ/t CO<sub>2</sub><sup>\*\*</sup>

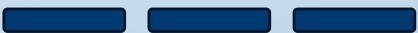


1.8 – 2.5 GJ/t CO<sub>2</sub><sup>\*\*\*</sup>



CO<sub>2</sub> Purity

>99.5%



Up to 95%



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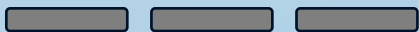
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\*) Contribution of thermal and electrical energy depending on heat integration

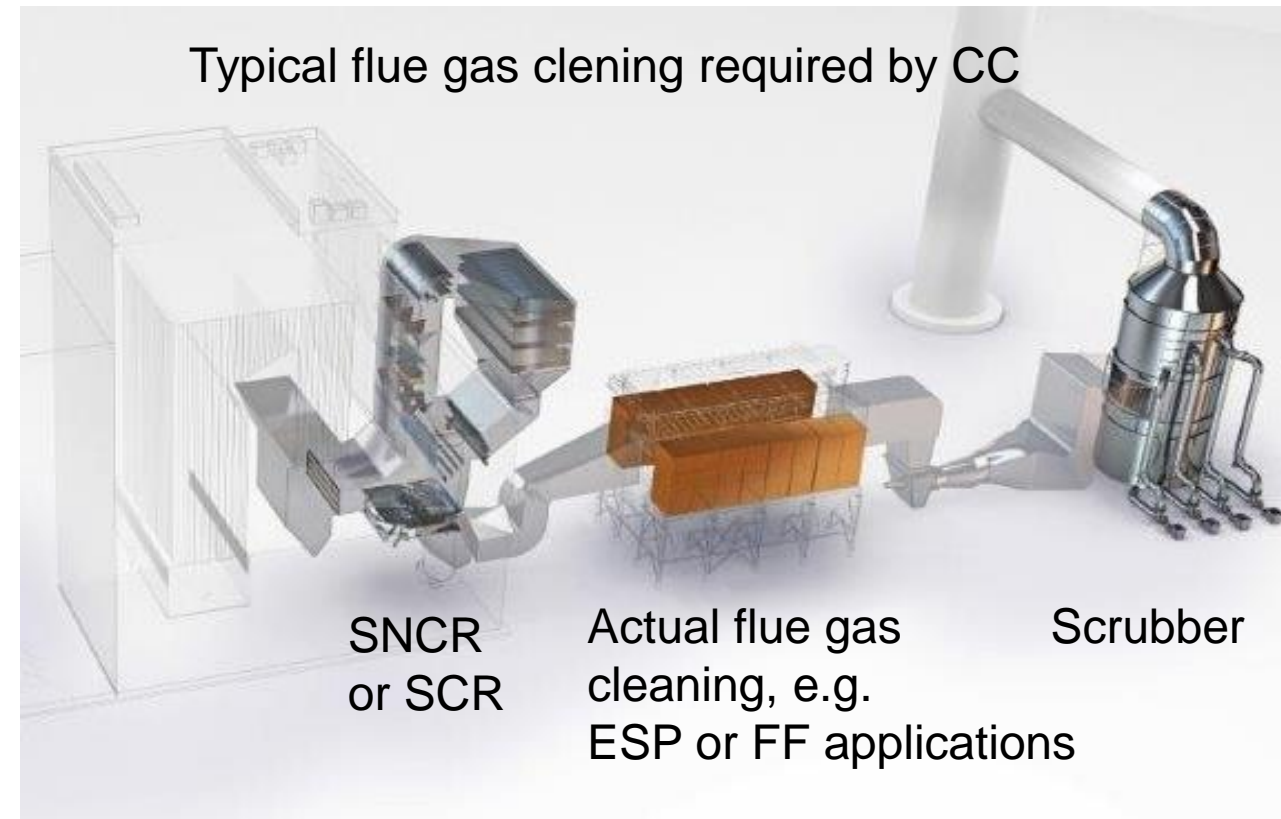
\*\*) Electrical energy only \*\*\* ) 70% Electrical energy

# CC EFFICIENCY AND CO<sub>2</sub> PURITY



Not a problem to deliver clean CO<sub>2</sub> but it has to do with CAPEX and OPEX

- Capturing process sets requirements for flue gas purity
  - Quite high purity requirement non dependent of selected capturing method
  - With low flue gas purity high capturing rate will be reached with high OPEX
  - This drives easily on high requirements for flue gas cleaning system prior capturing
  - With proper flue gas purity 95 % capturing rate can be reached with justified increment in OPEX
- Typically CO<sub>2</sub> purity requirement has been set by off-taker and eFuels synthesis
  - Still quite unknown what are all the actual limitations on CO<sub>2</sub> by different types of eFuels
  - Quite oftenly CO<sub>2</sub> purity is deemed by eFuels plant catalyst supplier
  - Typically CO<sub>2</sub> purity is achieved with flue gas cleaning prior capturing and cleaning of LCO<sub>2</sub>



# CC IS ALSO OPEX MANAGEMENT



Main drivers for OPEX in CC processes, considering about 200 tTpa of CC

- Amine process 1,5 ... 3,0 GJ/T of CO<sub>2</sub> & max. ~4 bar<sub>g</sub> steam for reboiler
  - Steam consumption is affected by amines concentration (dependent on purity of flue gases and available steam pressures and connection to e.g. DH process)
  - Amine consumption 0,3 ... 0,6 kg/pure amine for CO<sub>2</sub> T
- HPC 2,0 ... 2,5 GJ/T of CO<sub>2</sub> & max. ~2 bar<sub>g</sub> steam for desorption
  - Certain temperature windows are must per certain chemicals but utilization of electricity is the key consumable in the process
  - Steam is only about 20 ... 25 % of the full energy consumption
  - Chemicals mixture and consumption is dependant on flue gases purity
- Membranes 1,7 ... 2,5 GJ/T of CO<sub>2</sub>
  - Electrical only
  - Requirements for temperatures prior capturing
  - Membrane replacement 0,8 ... 1,5 m€/a depending on incoming flue gas purity



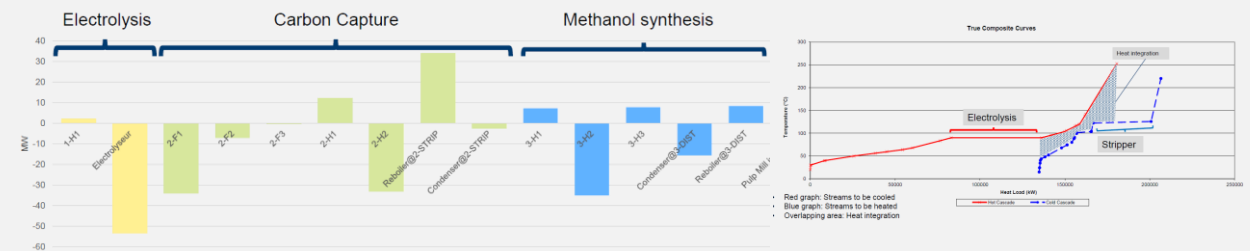
# GH<sub>2</sub> OPTIMIZATION VS. CO<sub>2</sub> OPTIMIZATION



## Essentials for running the eFuels plant

- Typical case is that there is "constant" flow of CO<sub>2</sub> in flue gases to be treated
- Typical case is that CO<sub>2</sub> intermediate storing is more economic than H<sub>2</sub> storing
  - To enable dynamics in gH<sub>2</sub> production intermediate buffering is needed
  - The operation strategy of gH<sub>2</sub> plant the will define buffering
  - E.g. 25 Tph CC will require volume of about 3500 m<sup>3</sup> to store 5 days production  
→ huge tank farm
- Compression and liquefaction is deemed by CO<sub>2</sub> storing and evaporation of liquefied CO<sub>2</sub> can be used as optimization parameter for CC process
- In case CO<sub>2</sub> w/o pipeline connection will also generate returning CO<sub>2</sub> to the CC system from the terminal system

### O&M Optimization



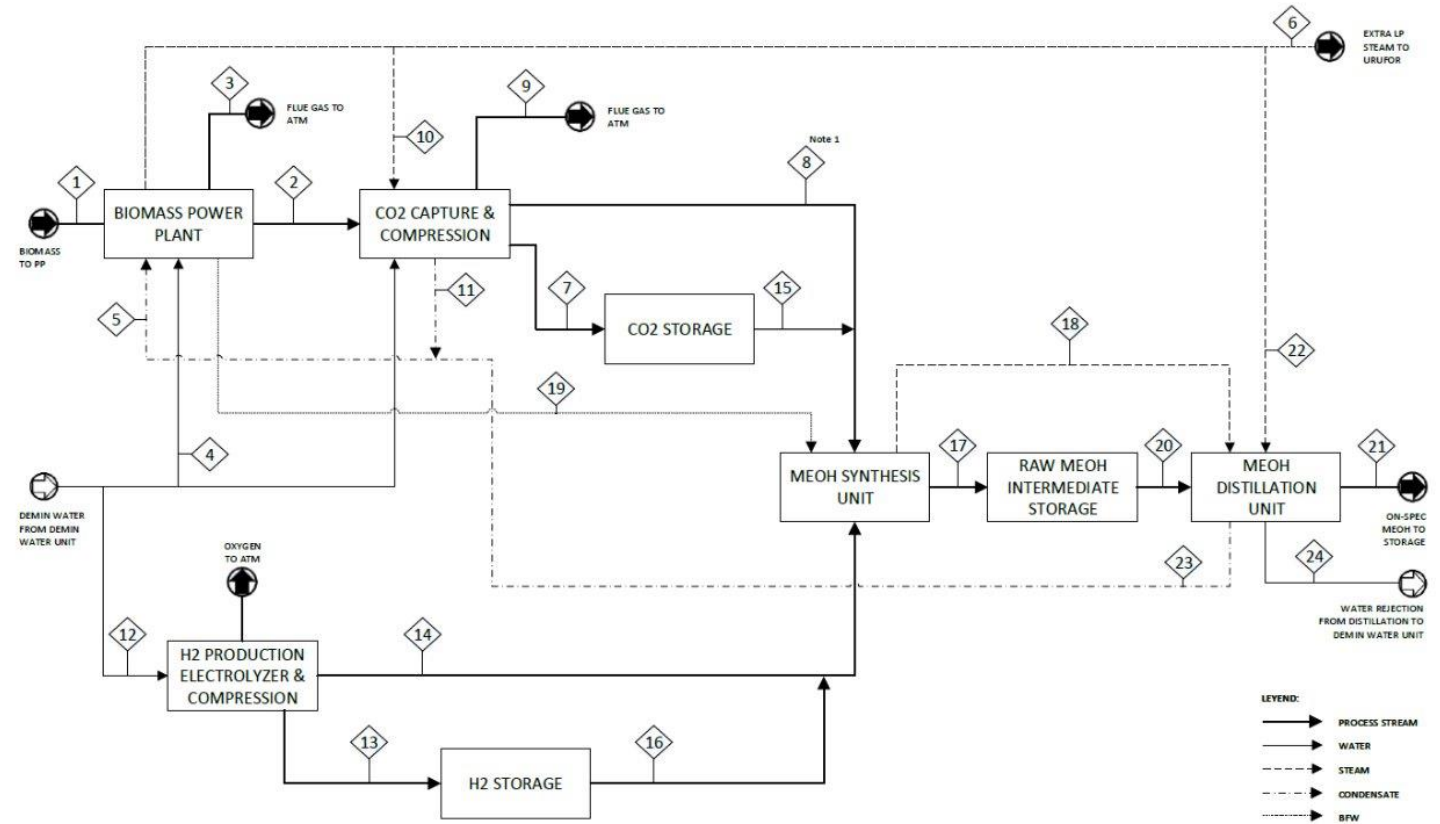


# HIGH OXY COMBUSTION EFFECT ON CC



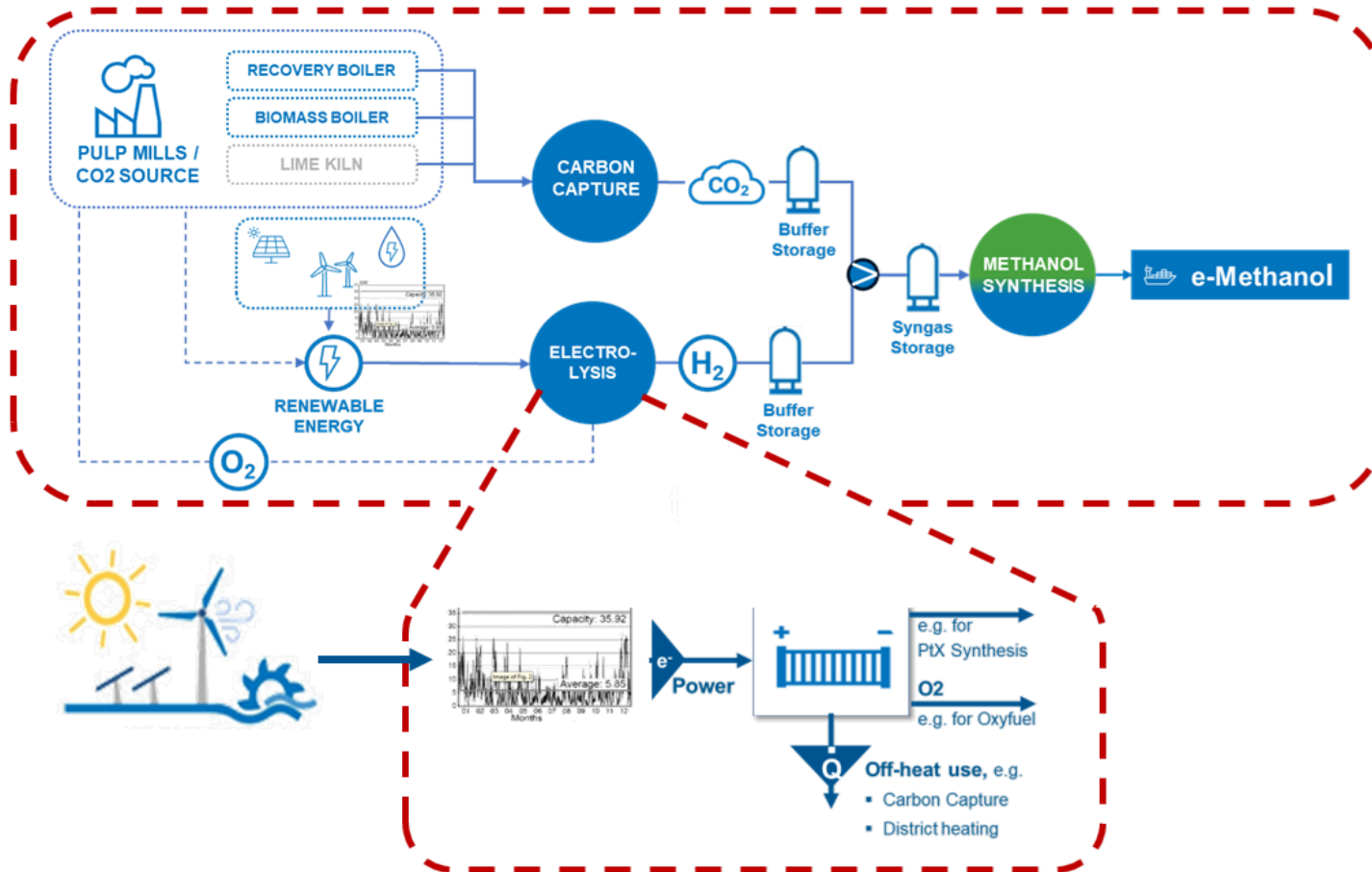
## Utilization of the O<sub>2</sub> from the hydrolyzers

- O<sub>2</sub> supply from the electrolyzers is not typically enough for full oxygen combustion in a furnace
  - Also boiler type and combustion processes might be a limiting factor
- Addition in O<sub>2</sub> in the combustion air will increase amount of CO<sub>2</sub> concentration in the stack
- Higher CO<sub>2</sub> concentration has positive effect on both CAPEX and OPEX cost of CC





# LEADING THE WAY IN INTEGRATION ENGINEERING



## Reduce CapEx and OpEx through smart integration:

### Optimized Feedstock Cost

- LCOP optimizer for Green Energy Farm & PPA portfolio
- LCOP optimizer Integrated Electrolyzer design and power profile optimization
- Pulp Mill Integration Concept

### Plant Design Optimization

- Cost - optimized H2 production profile and buffer storage
- Cost - optimized synthesis plant and product buffer

### Value Engineering & Smart Integration

- Equipment right-sizing
- Side stream valorization / cross industry linkage (e.g. district heating)
- Heat & utilities integration

### Advanced Digitalization & Automation

- AI / IoT Optimization
- Process Automation

# EXAMPLES FOR CARBON CAPTURING PROCESSES



## Considerations in perspective to eFuel plant synthesis requirements

- Case calcinating oven with HPC (based on fossil fuel in combustion)
  - high requirements for purifying flue gases prior the CC w/o extensive increase in OPEX
  - flue gas purity can be reached quite easily to match requirements for Norther Lights or catalyst supplier specs
- WtE combustion with Amines (partially biogenic)
  - typically fairly well treated flue gases but fuel mixture changes may affect CC conditions and in hence OPEX
  - fuel may cause presence of e.g. heavy metals and other molecules in captured CO<sub>2</sub> that are exceeding catalyst supplier specifications (removing is increasing CAPEX)
- Bio BFB with Amines (100 % biogenic)
  - Age of the power plant is affecting hugely flue gas purity in the stack, the newer the better
  - Optimal for high oxy combustion to increase CO<sub>2</sub> concentration in the stack and improving CC CAPEX/OPEX
- Pulp, recovery boiler with Amines (100 % biogenic)
  - Filtering of flue gases is typically quite low and limits for SO<sub>x</sub> and NO<sub>x</sub> are moderate
  - Affect of impurities to the CC process and OPEX will be tested near future
  - Good availability of big amounts of biogenic CO<sub>2</sub>





# CARBON CAPTURE SOLUTIONS

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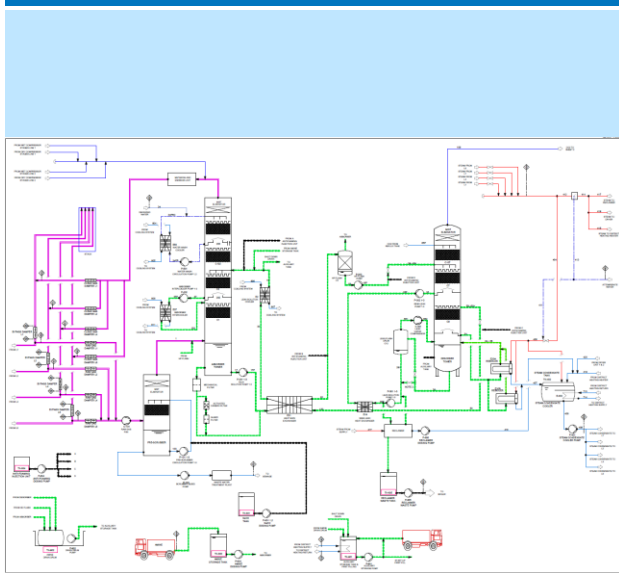


# ANDRITZ CARBON CAPTURE – SCOPE



From FEED to EPC delivery / application of chemical absorption based on amines or HPC

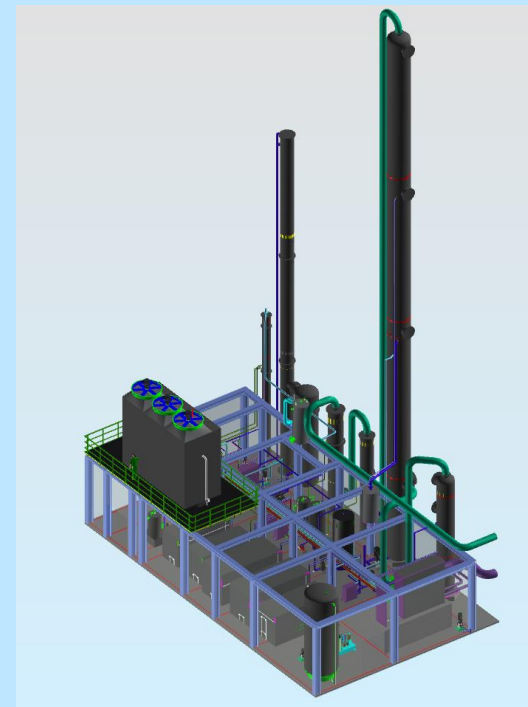
## Feasibility / FEED studies



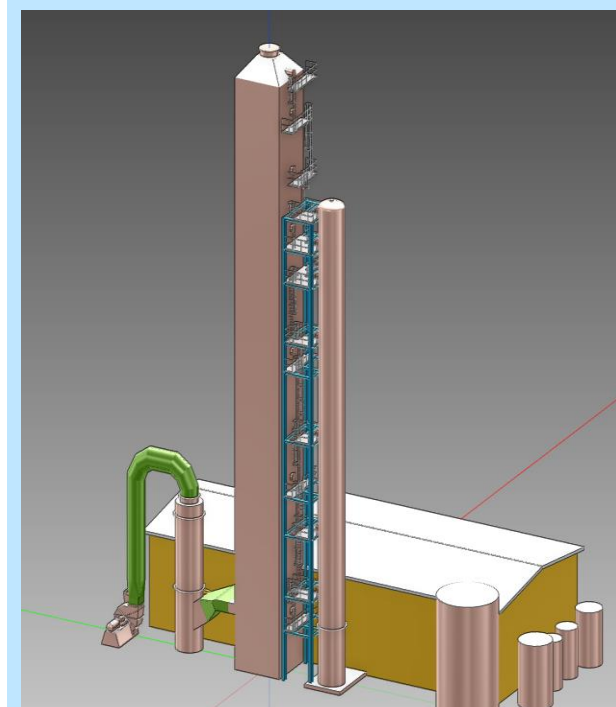
## Pilot plants



## Compact plants < 200,000 tpa



## Large-size plants > 200,000 tpa



# LET'S GO: ANDRITZ-LED BIOCIRCLETOZERO R&D PROGRAM IS SELECTED AS BUSINESS FINLAND LOCOMOTIVE PROGRAM IN 2025



## Our commitment

*"At ANDRITZ, we are committed to helping the forest products industry drive the green transition while ensuring its long-term competitiveness."*

Kari Tuominen, President & CEO, ANDRITZ Oy

## Funding

- Business Finland has granted ANDRITZ 10 million euros in funding for the BioCircleToZero program.
- An additional 20 million euros will be provided by Business Finland to partners contributing to the program.





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