

Hydrogen Forward Look: Policy and Market Analysis

Welcome

GHD overview

90+ years in operation

135+ countries served

200+ offices worldwide

2.2^B AUD revenue 2021

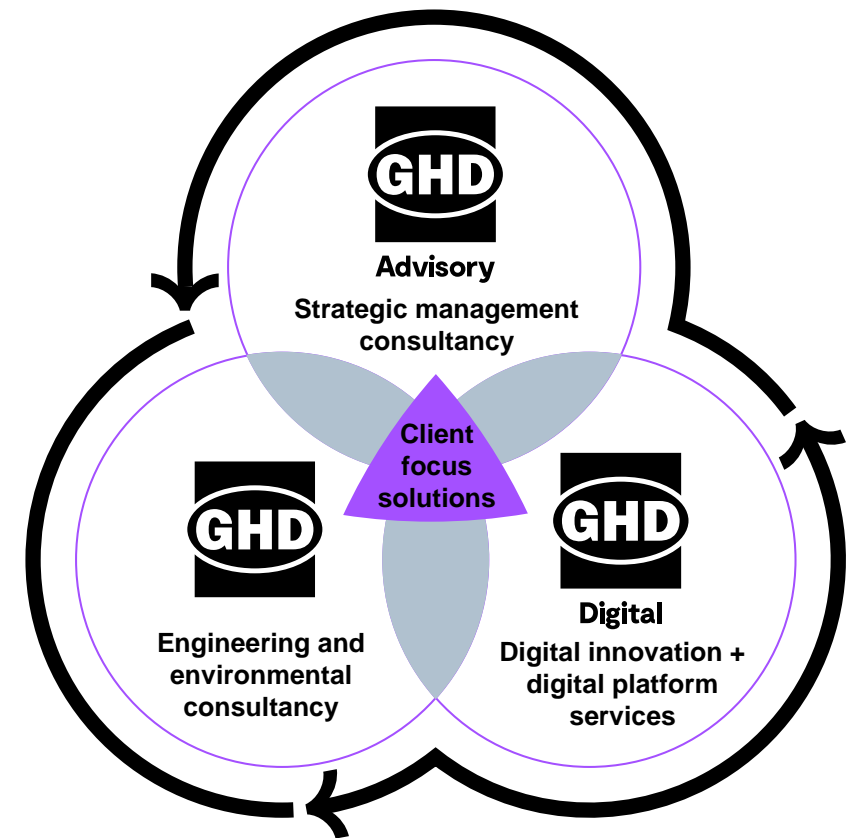
5 global markets

10^K people

50+ service lines

↳ Providing engineering, environmental, advisory, architecture, digital and construction services

From ideation to implementation, we are a leading advisory and solutions provider, bringing strategic thinking as well as technical excellence and technological innovation.



Established in

1928

and privately owned by our people, GHD employs

+10k

people across five continents and the Pacific region.

Agenda

- 1** Hydrogen Basics
- 2** US Policy Landscape
- 3** Market Understanding
- 4** Forward Look



The Present

- World 70 Mt H₂/yr | US 10 Mt H₂/yr
- 99% of H₂ from natural gas & coal
- World H₂ production emits 830 MtCO₂/yr
- 90% of H₂ used for refining and fertilizer production



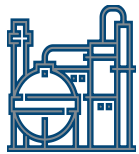
The Future

- Transition to **zero-carbon H₂**
- Adoption of H₂ in **new sectors**: power generation, storage, transportation, heating, blending...
- Exponential improvement in **cost-competitiveness**
- **Export** market for geographies with excess energy

The Colors of Hydrogen



Coal



Gasification



Brown H₂



Natural Gas



SMR



Gray H₂



Natural Gas



SMR

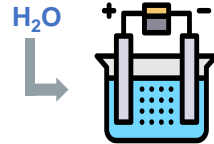


CO₂ captured

Blue H₂



Nuclear Power

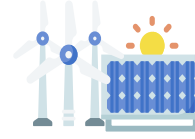


Electrolysis

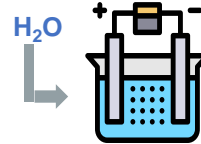


O₂

Pink H₂



Sun, Wind, ...



Electrolysis



O₂

Green H₂



Natural Gas



Pyrolysis



Solid carbon

Turquoise H₂



Biomass



Gasification



Green H₂



Fermentation



Green H₂

20 kg CO₂/kg H₂

9 kg CO₂/kg H₂

Low or zero-carbon hydrogen (<4kg CO₂/KG H₂)*

*As defined by the Clean Hydrogen Production Standard - DOE

Versatile End Uses

FEEDSTOCK

CHEMICALS



- Fuel refining
- Fertilizer
- Methanol
- Plastics

MATURE
USES

PRODUCTS



- Metallurgy
- Steel
- Food
- Glass

ENERGY

Fuel for

TRANSPORT



- Forklifts
- Road
- Marine
- Rail
- Aviation

Heat for

INDUSTRY



- Steel
- Cement
- Paper
- Aluminum
- Food

POWER



- Gas turbines
- Fuel cells

BUILDINGS



- Residential
- Commercial

Policy Landscape

→ Changing Tides

National Policy – Summary

United States

- **\$369B** is earmarked for Climate and Clean Energy provisions.
- Incentives and regulations **vary by state** in the US – with California as the most advanced (e.g. with *Low Carbon Fuel Standard*).

\$13.1 billion

Inflation Reduction Act (IRA)

\$9.5 billion

**Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) /
Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA)**

United Kingdom

- 10-point plan for a Green industrial revolution (Build Back Greener)
- ~£500 million to Hydrogen activities
- (£240 million) of this budget allotted to Hydrogen production facilities.

£140 million

**Industrial Decarbonisation and
Hydrogen Revenue Support (IDHRS)**

£240 million

**Net Zero Hydrogen
Fund**

Inflation Reduction Act (IRA)

Summary

- Introduced by President Biden as of August 2022.
- Federal spending toward reducing carbon emissions, lowering healthcare costs, funding the Internal Revenue Service (IRS), and improving taxpayer compliance.



Production Tax Credits (PTC):

- Received for the first 10 years after a qualified hydrogen facility is placed, cash rebates first 5 years
- x\$0.60 per kilogram of “qualified clean hydrogen” by 20% - 100%.
- No domestic content requirements



Investment Tax Credits (ITC)

- Qualifying zero-emissions electricity generation facilities and energy storage technologies (hydrogen).
- Bonus incentives if domestic content, proximity requirements met



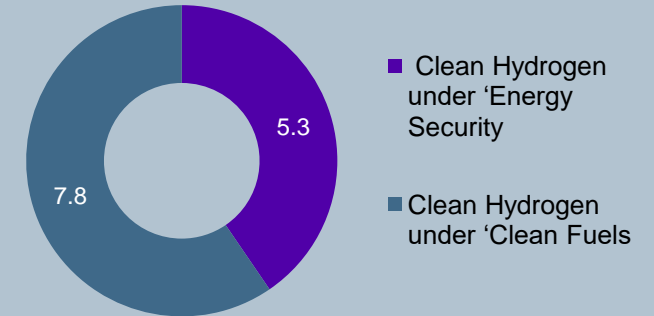
Transport and Fuel Related Credits

- Encourage rapid end-user adoption of hydrogen fuel cell vehicles.
- \$7,500 maximum credit for new fuel cell vehicles

Funding:

Amount

- \$369 B for Climate and Clean Energy provisions. Of which: ~\$13.1 billion is cumulatively committed to Clean Hydrogen within the decade;



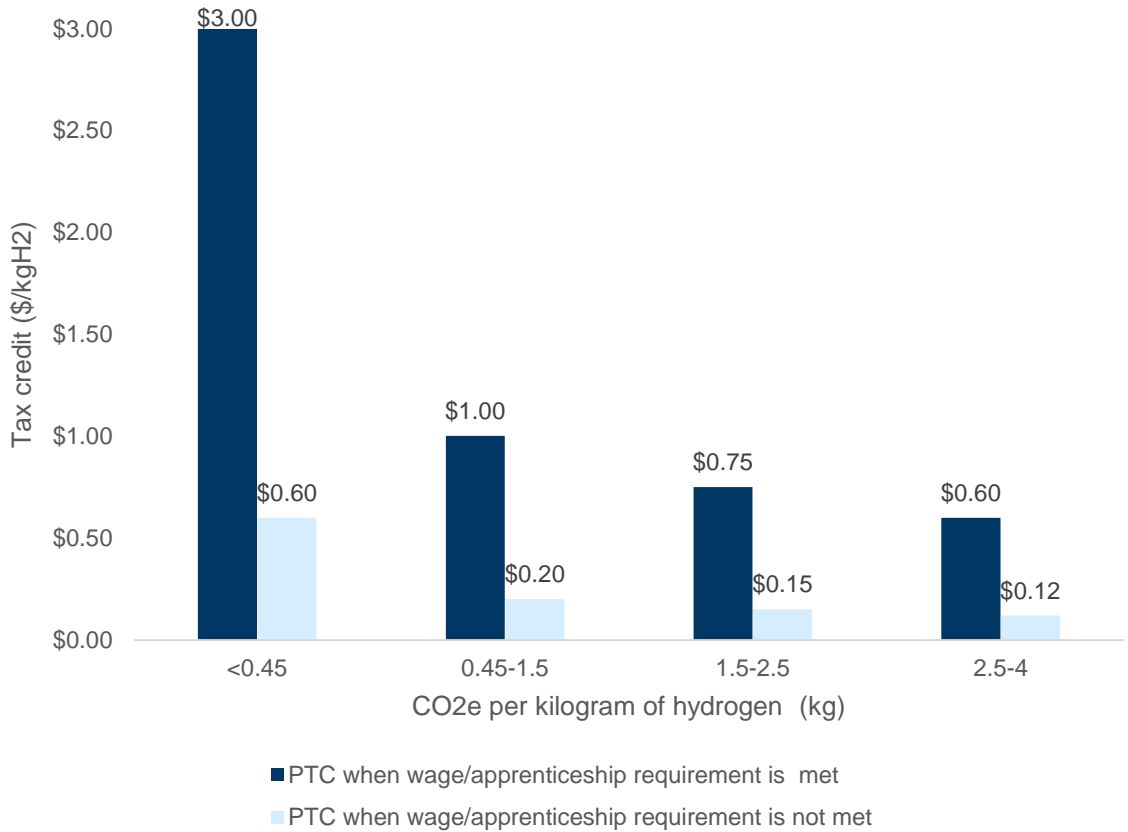
Criteria:

- Qualified clean hydrogen must be produced in the US.
- It must be within the taxpayer’s ordinary course of trade for sale.
- Hydrogen produced must be verified by an unrelated third party.
- The hydrogen producer must also own the facility in which the hydrogen is being produced.
- Funding will be for 10 years

PTC and ITC Credit Value

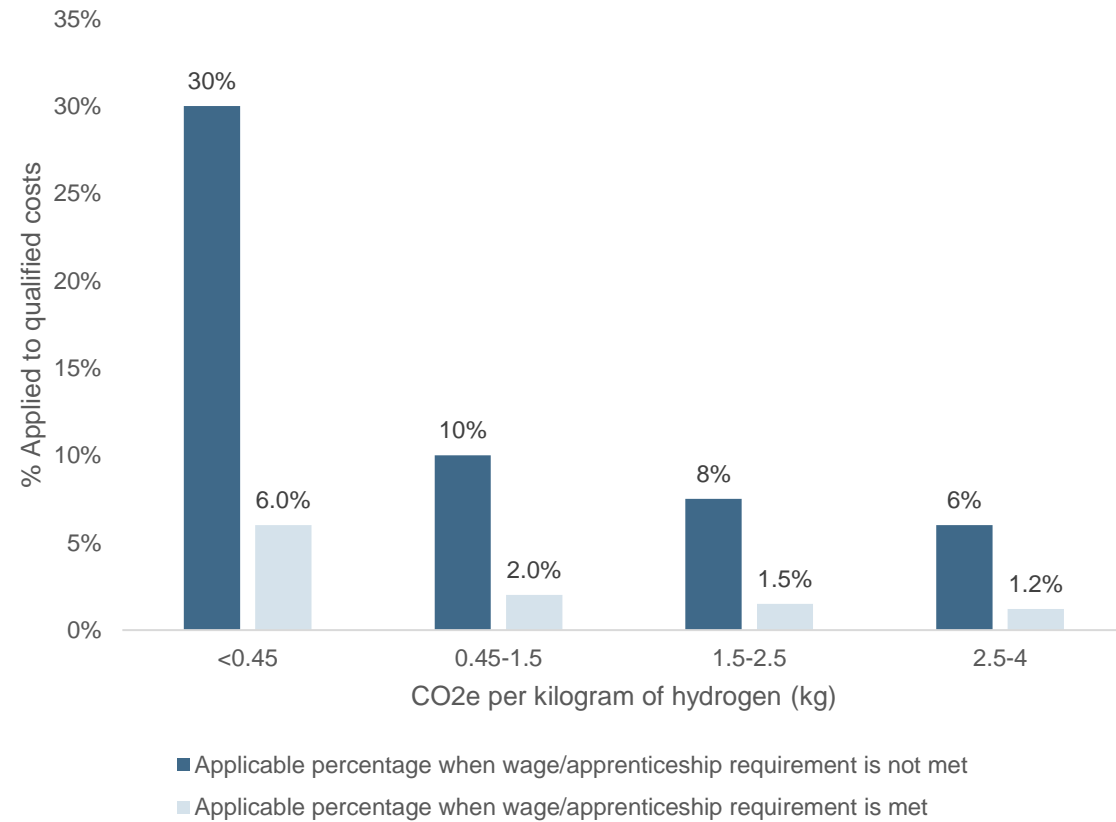


Inflation Reduction Act: Clean Hydrogen Production Tax Credit (PTC)



Note: PTCs are available for non-taxed cash transfers or can be claimed for non-taxable cash rebate over first 5 years

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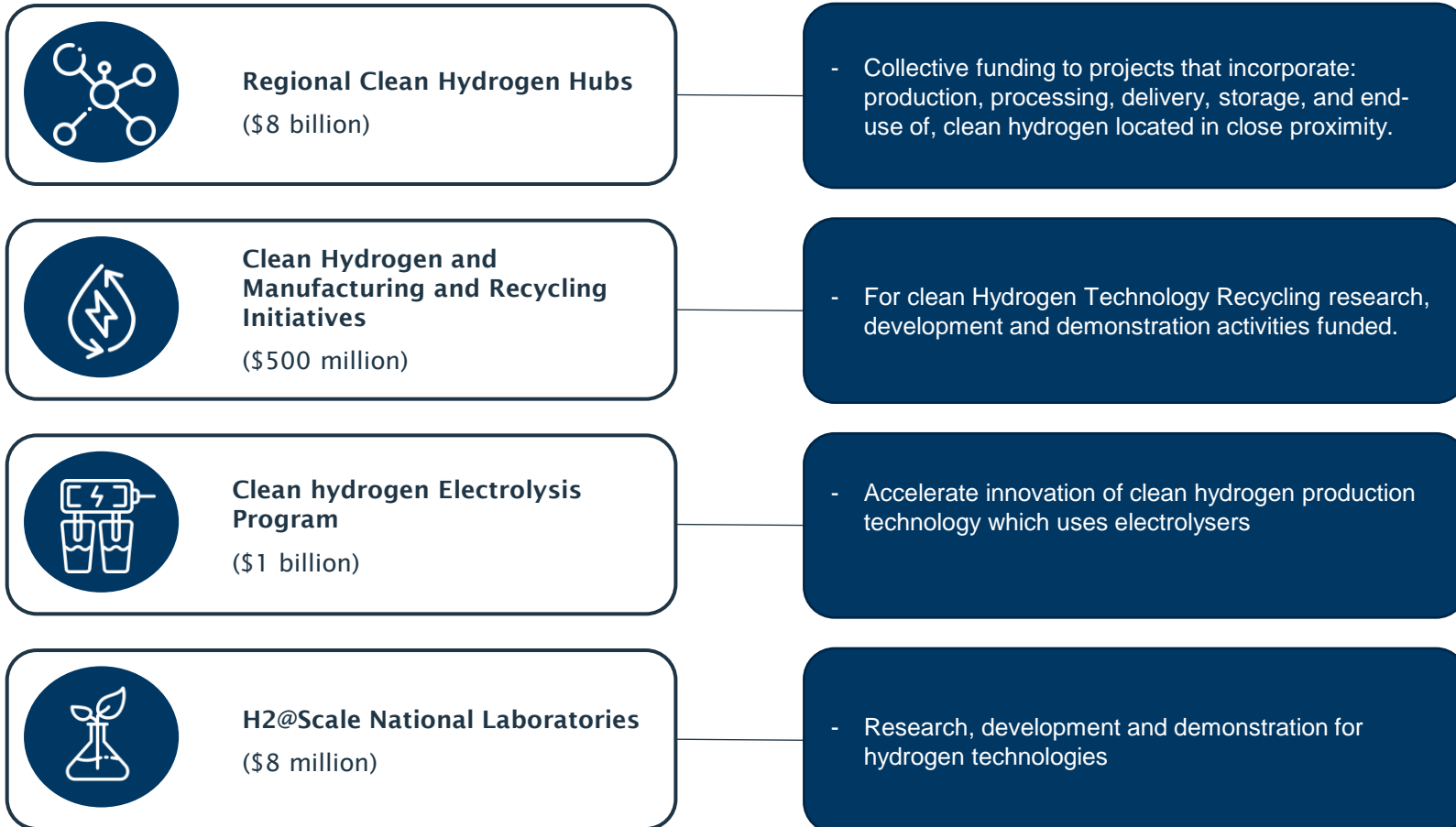


Note: ITCs have additional 10% bonuses for both domestic content & energy community proximity

Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) / Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA)

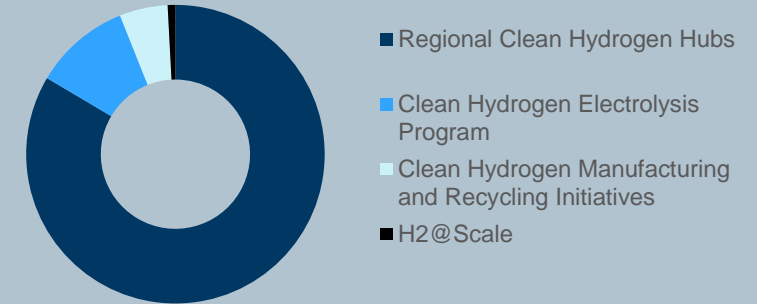
Summary

- Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) / Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) intends to expand the low-carbon hydrogen value chain within the US.
- Goal of **\$2/kg Clean H₂ by 2025** and **\$1/kg Clean H₂ by 2030**



Funding: Amount

- \$9.5 billion total of which:



Criteria:

Regional Clean Hydrogen Hubs:

- Production, processing, delivery, storage, and end-use of, clean hydrogen located in close proximity.

Clean Hydrogen Electrolysis Program

- Technologies that produce clean hydrogen using electrolyzers

Clean Hydrogen Manufacturing and Recycling Initiatives

- Efficient, cost effective H₂ technology.

H2@Scale:

- Partnership between a DOE National Laboratory and qualified partner

State policy

GHD examined state-level policy that applies to the hydrogen industry for six [6] strategic states: **California, Texas, New York, Michigan, Illinois, Florida.**

These states were selected as a representation of policy build-out on the basis of:

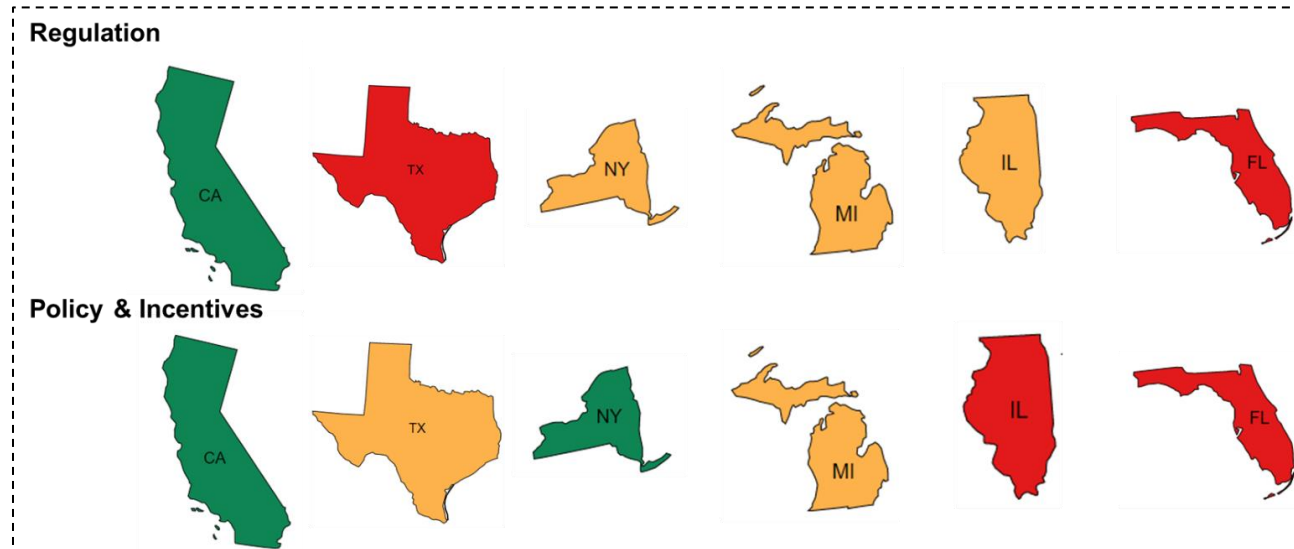
- Geography & location – states should be selected to cover all regions of the continental US.
- Potential hydrogen market size – states should have either a high gross domestic product or existing hydrogen industry.
- Hydrogen policy and regulation – states should cover all levels of hydrogen legislature build-out.



States were adjudicated on a **Red-Amber-Green (RAG) rating system** to visually depict the legislature build-out. Both regulatory frameworks and policy and incentives were analysed:

Regulation	No/ poor existence of H2 specified regulation. Regulation only covers one element of the H2 value chain	Some existence of H2 specified regulation. Regulation covers one or two elements of the H2 value chain.	Significant amount of H2 specified regulation. Regulation covers both production and consumption of H2 and a variety of use cases.
Policy & Incentives	Low/ No funding for H2. Tough criteria to access funding Funding covers one or no element of supply chain.	Some funding for H2. Criteria to access funding is reasonable. Funding covers one or two elements of supply chain.	Major funding commitment for H2. Easy access funding. Funding covers both production and consumption of H2.

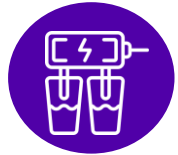
California was the most advanced in relation to regulation and incentive development. Florida has major legislature and policy gap, with New York representing a middle-ground:



Net Zero Hydrogen Fund (NZHF)

Summary

- The NZHF is intended to support the development and deployment of new low carbon hydrogen production projects, by reducing lifetime costs and de-risking investment.
- NZHF grant allocation is split into 4 strands with strand 1 and strand 2 closing as of June 2022 and July 2022 respectively.



Net Zero Hydrogen Fund

- **Strand 1:** DEVEX support for front end engineering to build the pipeline of hydrogen production projects
- **Strand 2:** provides CAPEX support for hydrogen projects that will contribute to the at-scale production of low carbon hydrogen.



NZHF Funding:

Amount

- £240 million
 - Strand 1: £80,000 - £15 million Grant request
 - Strand 2: £200,000 - £30 million Grant request
 - Strand 3 and 4: In proposal

Criteria:

- Strand 1 provides DEVEX support for front end engineering
- Strand 2 (CAPEX)
 - Projects must not require revenue support via the Hydrogen Business Model.

Industrial Decarbonisation and Hydrogen Revenue Support (IDHRS)

Summary

- BEIS has established the IDHRS to support hydrogen production pathways and facilitate hydrogen within a variety of sectors.



Hydrogen Production Business Models (HPBM)

- In consultation
- Low Carbon Hydrogen Agreement.
- Revenue support to h2 producers.
- Storage and Transport Business Model expected in 2025

HPBM Funding:

Amount

- \$140 million
 - £100 million contracts of up to 350MW of electrolytic production capacity in **2023** – further allocations expected in 2024

Criteria:

- Contracts of up to 250MW of electrolytic hydrogen production.
- CfD based model with competitive allocation
- Only hydrogen produced for domestic use is eligible.

Market Analysis

→ Strengths, Barriers, and Current Investment

Market Overview

Methodology



GHD engaged hydrogen industry stakeholders to gather market information on three key areas:

- 1 Existing Market Barriers
- 2 Existing Market Strengths
- 3 Current Hydrogen Investments

GHD selected **stakeholders across the hydrogen economy value chain** to ensure a comprehensive market view, including a diverse range of interests. These included but were not limited to:

- Hydrogen policymakers;
- Hydrogen producers & developers;
- Hydrogen transport and storage infrastructure;
- Major utility players;
- Equipment manufacturers;
- Industry special interest groups; and
- Higher education.



Overview of Strengths and Barriers



MARKET STRENGTHS



INDUSTRY MOMENTUM

INITIAL POLICY SUPPORT

STRONG FRONT-END PROJECT DEVELOPMENT

UTILITY INTEGRATION

TECHNOLOGY IMPROVEMENTS & INDUSTRY EXPERTISE

CLEAR AND LEGALLY BINDING GHG TARGETS

ADJACENT INDUSTRY EXPERIENCE



INDUSTRY MOMENTUM

HYDROGEN HUB SUCCESS

STRONG GOVERNMENT FUNDING

BLUE H₂ INFRASTRUCTURE, RESOURCE, AND SCALABILITY

LEVERAGE INDUSTRY KNOWLEDGE AND EXPERTISE

STATE LEVEL LEGISLATION: CALIFORNIA

UTILITY ENTITY SUPPORT

MARKET BARRIERS



POLICY DIRECTION UNCERTAINTY

SUPPLY CHAIN PRESSURES & TECHNOLOGY SCALING

SUPPORTING INFRASTRUCTURE

EDUCATION & WORKFORCE

COMPLEX PLANNING AND CONSENTING

POLICY MISALIGNMENT

SPEED OF POLICY IMPLEMENTATION



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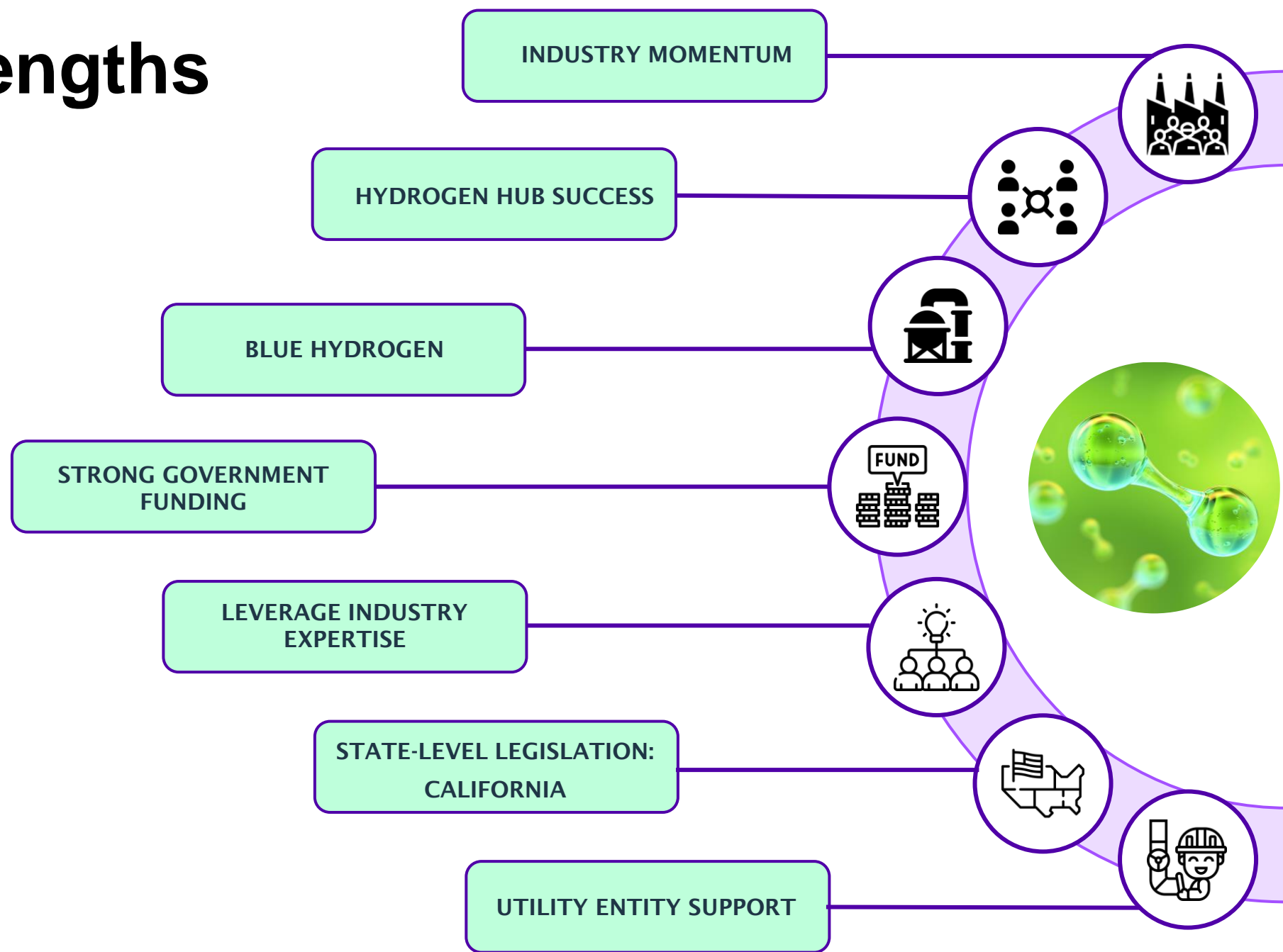
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POWER & GRID POLICY INTEGRATION

US Market Strengths



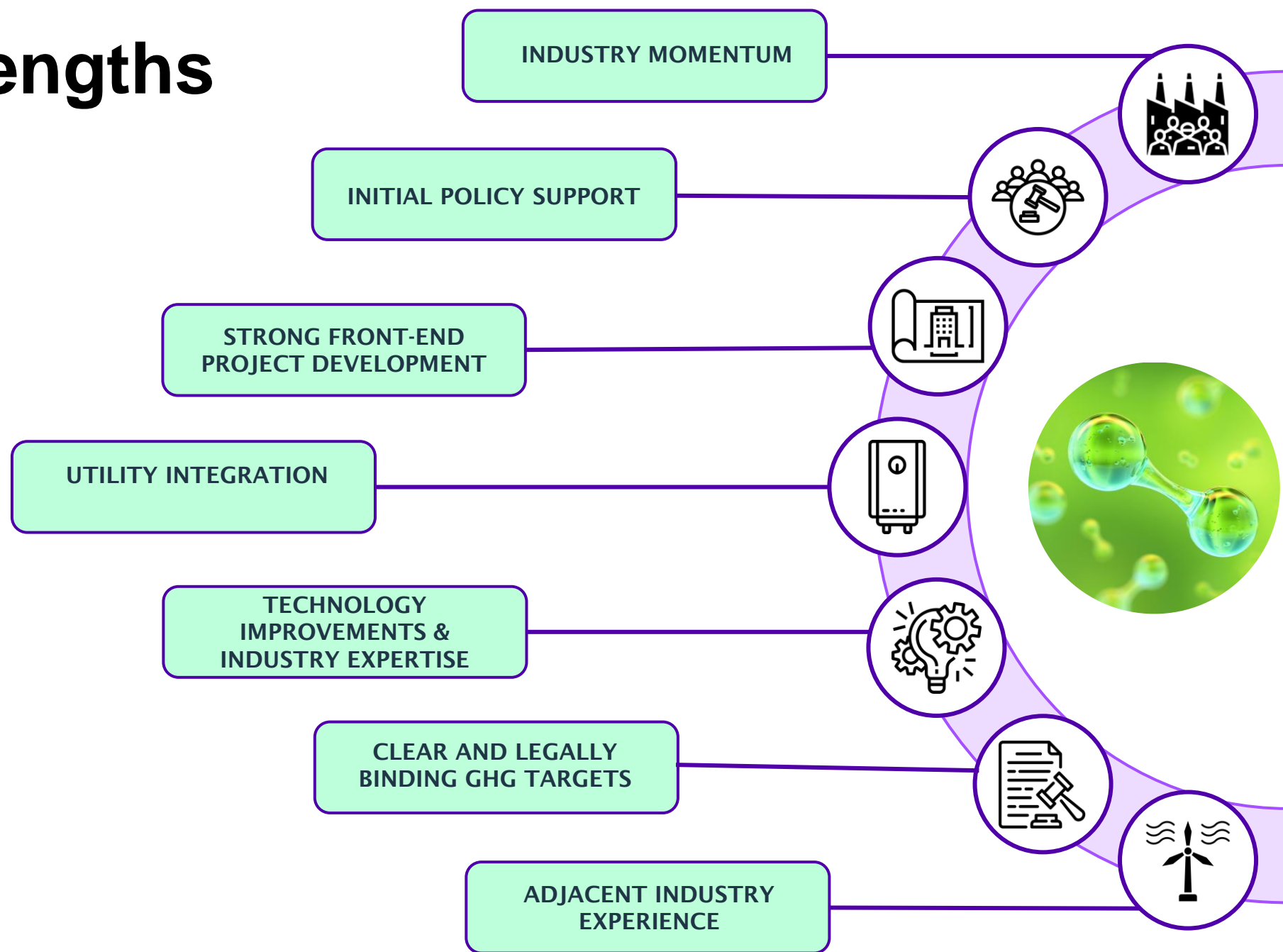
The US hydrogen market is **rapidly growing** and has recently seen **substantial investment**. This investment reflects the country's abundance of resource, strong policy backing, land availability, and an established domestic market.



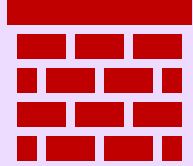
UK Market Strengths



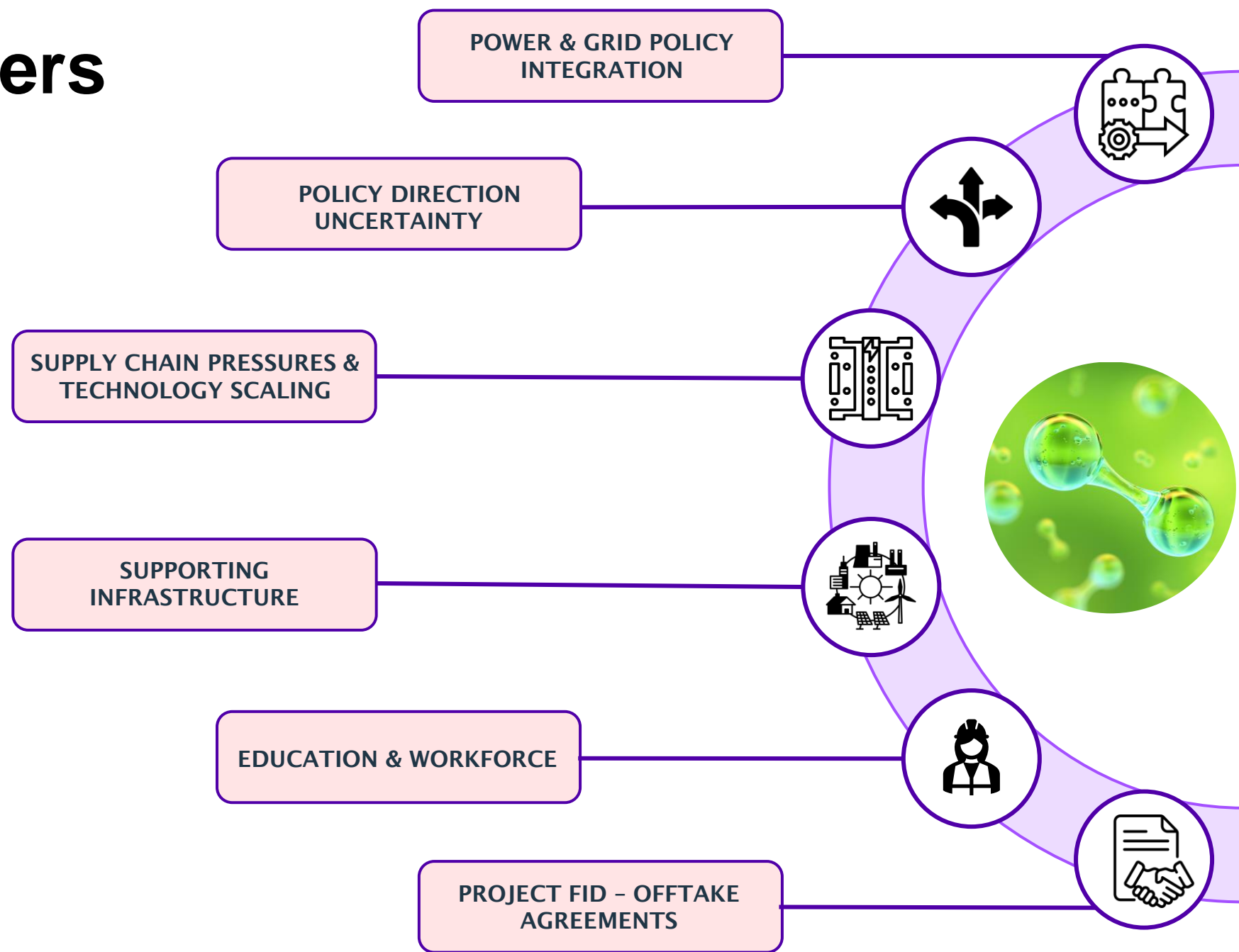
The UK's industry best practices, specifically **knowledge around front-end project experience and clear GHG targets**, could be leveraged in the US market to promote collaboration and scaling of the hydrogen demand market.



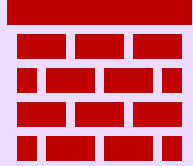
US Market Barriers



The US hydrogen market is **not without challenges**. Currently, there are constraints around technology supply chains and hydrogen workforce availability. Supporting infrastructure is non-existent in many regions within the US. Further clarity on policy direction and alignment can help to boost investor confidence.

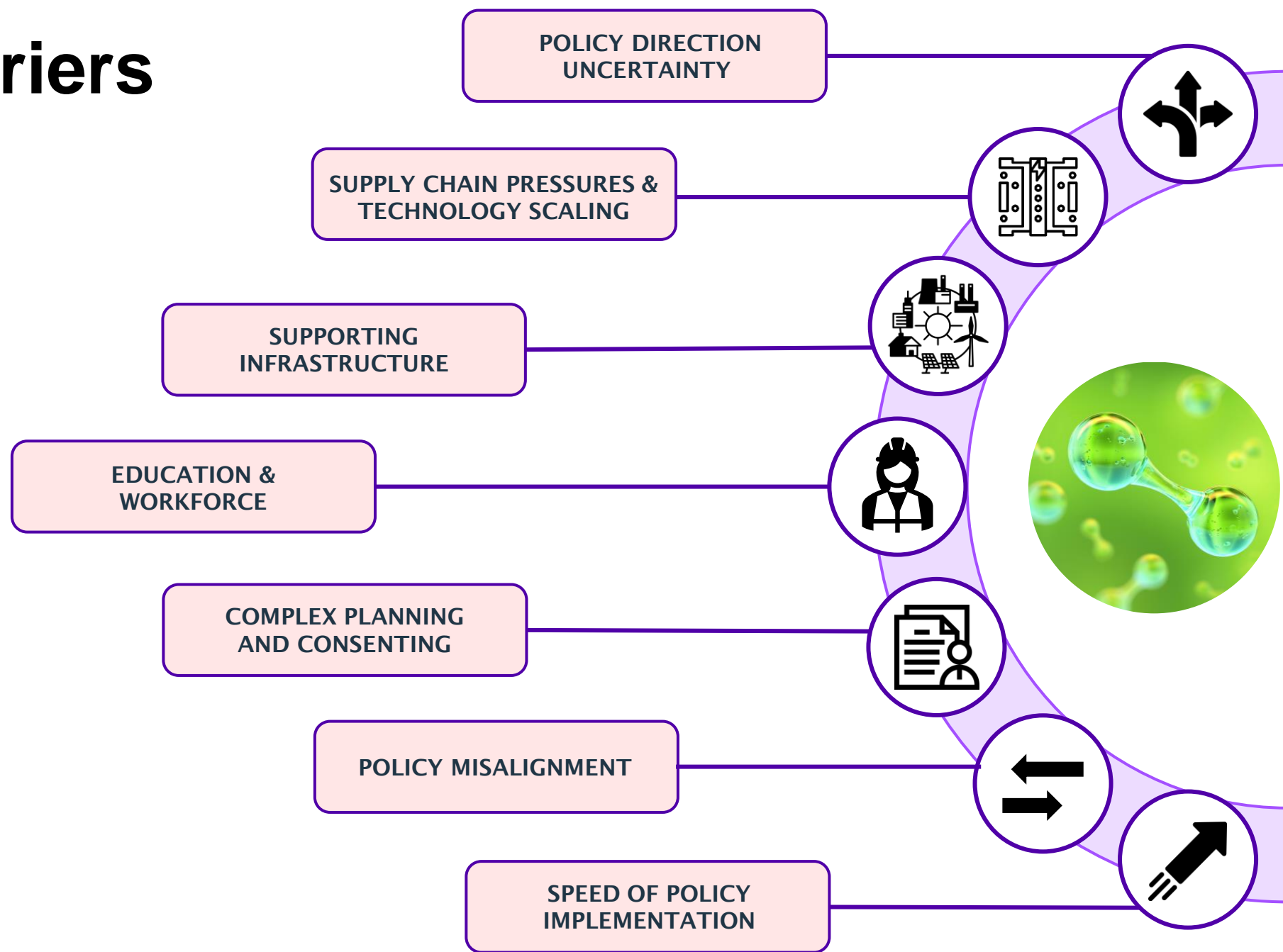


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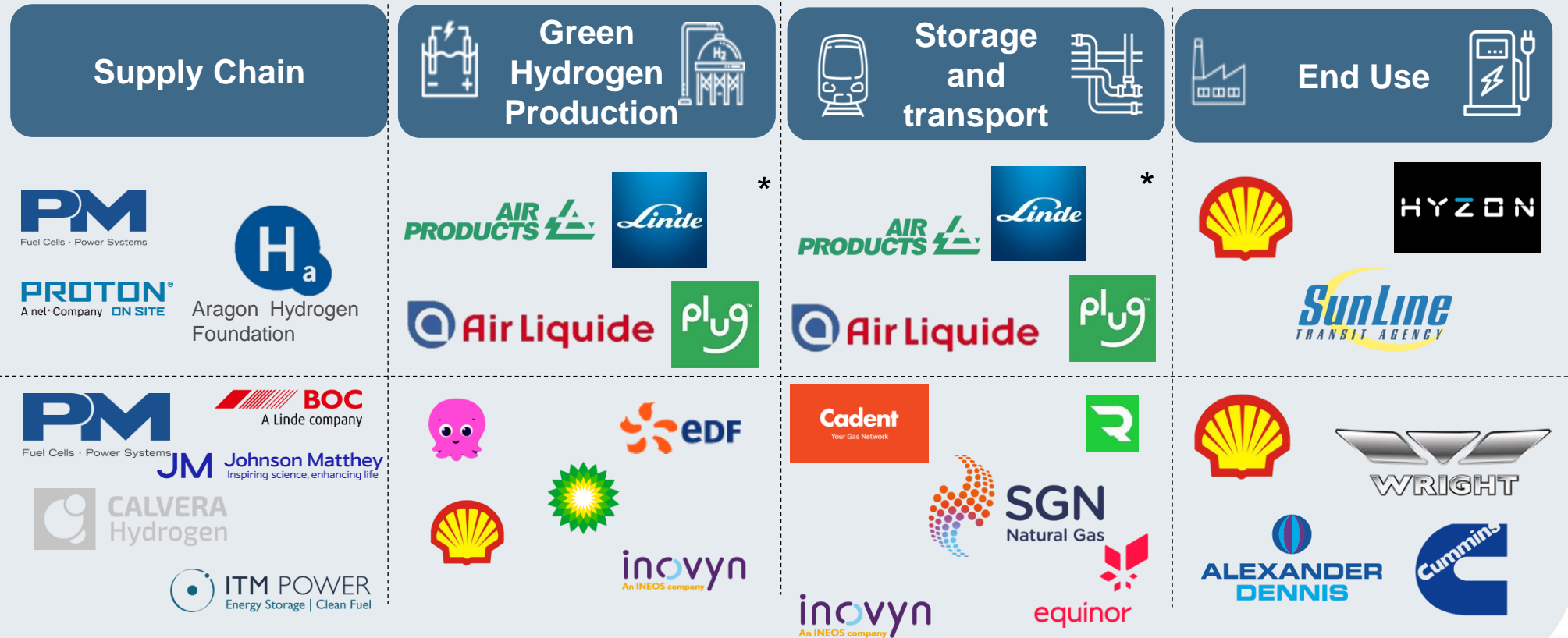
While the UK hydrogen economy is growing rapidly, there are major barriers around supply chains, supporting infrastructure and workforce that will likely hinder growth.

While the UK energy economy is adept at overcoming such barriers, these should still be considered.



Hydrogen Background

Value chain major players:



H2 Hubs

Western Interstate Hydrogen Hub: Xcel Energy, Avangrid, Dominion Energy Utah, Los Alamos National Laboratory, DOE's National Renewable Energy Lab (NREL), Sandia National Laboratories

Heartland Hydrogen Hub: Bakken Energy, Bakken Energy announced an alliance with Cummins Inc. and Schneider Carriers Inc.

MachH2 coalition: ArcelorMittal, Governors State University, Nicor Gas, Northwestern University, the University of Chicago, the University of Wisconsin-Madison and the Argonne National Laboratory, NiSource, Applied Research Institute, BorgWarner, Cummins Inc., Energy Systems Network and Rolls-Royce

Pacific Northwest Hydrogen Hub: Undisclosed

Northeast Clean Hydrogen Hub: Headed by NYSERDA with more than 60 ecosystem partners

California's Alliance for Reliable Clean Hydrogen Energy System: AECOM and Wood, as well as utility PGE, Toyota Corp., Plug Power, Hyundai, Michelin, BOSCH, Bloom Energy, Avantus

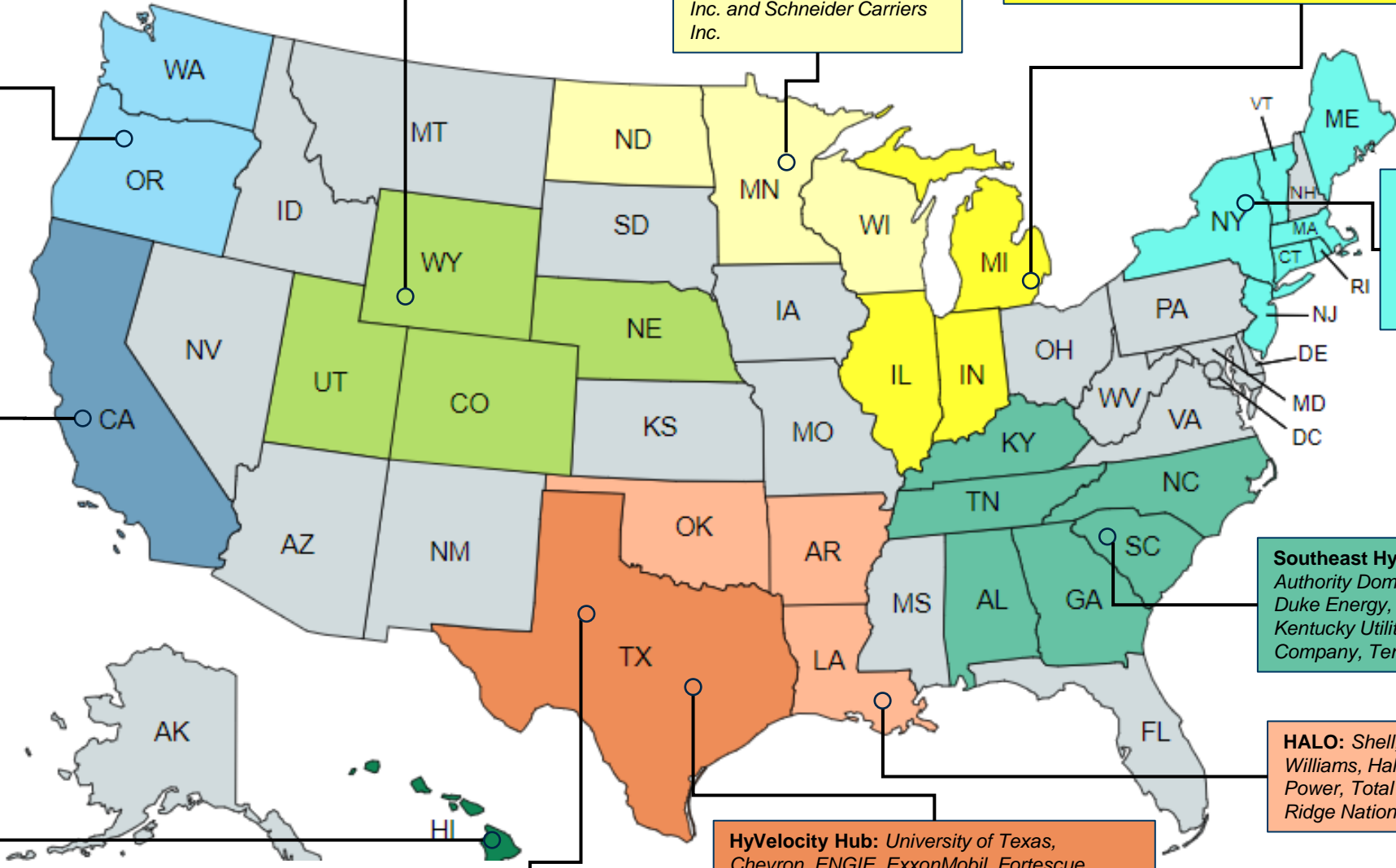
Southeast Hydrogen Hub: Authority Dominion Energy, Duke Energy, Louisville G&E, Kentucky Utilities, Southern Company, Tennessee Valley

Hawaii Pacific Hydrogen Hub: Hawaiian Electric, NREL and the University of Hawaii

HALO: Shell, TC Energy, Williams, Halliburton, GE, Plug Power, Total Energies, Oak Ridge National Lab

Trans Permian H2Hub: MMEX Resources, includes Siemens Energy

HyVelocity Hub: University of Texas, Chevron, ENGIE, ExxonMobil, Fortescue Future Industries, Phillips66, Sempra Infrastructure, Shell, Siemens the Port of Houston

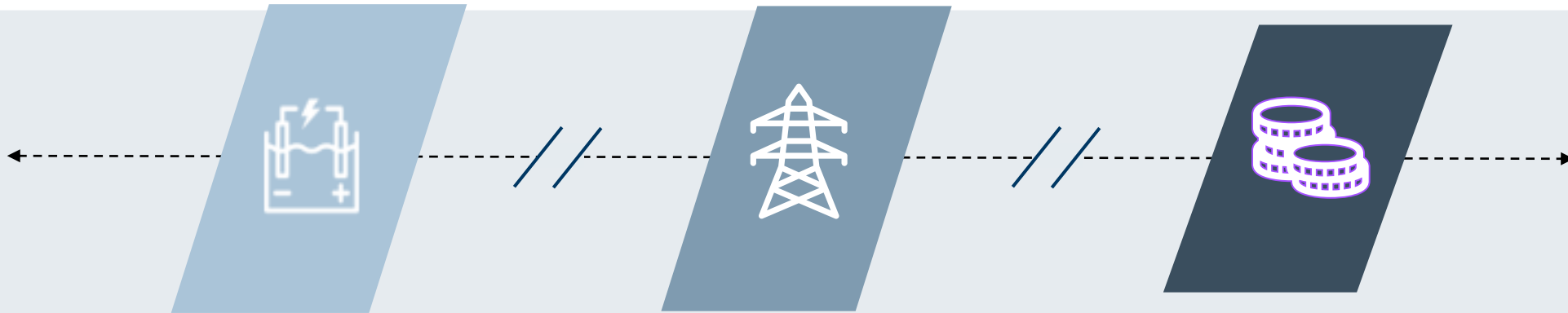


Non-exhaustive

Forward Look

→ Potential Futures

Policy Gaps



Non-Producer Support

UK and US policy is geared towards supporting hydrogen producers.

Relatively minimal non-value chain support:

- Scale up of technology
- Scale up of supply chain manufacturing
- Development of supporting hydrogen infrastructure (pipelines, storage, etc.)
- Growth of the hydrogen market

Horizontal Policy and Regulatory Alignment

Both: inconsistent planning and permitting processes.

US:

- No direction on carbon accounting use for hydrogen production

UK:

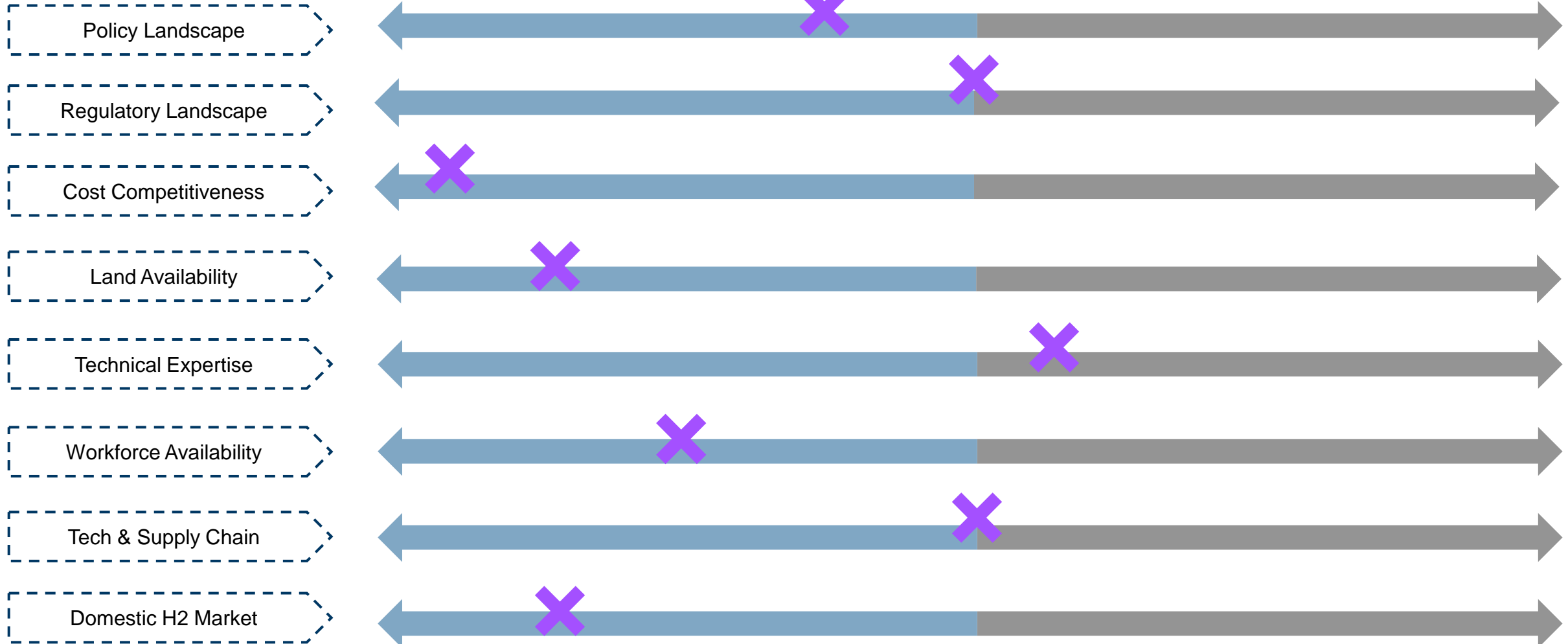
- Low carbon hydrogen standard doesn't allow for grid electricity
- Renewable policy encourages export to grid rather than direct to hydrogen production.
- No direction on carbon accounting use for hydrogen production

UK Hydrogen Ambition & Funding Volume

Funding amounts do not match the ambitious hydrogen targets

- total funding across H2 value chain <£1 B
- Assuming LCOH of hydrogen is ~£60/MWh for a PEM electrolysis production, 10 GW of production = £525.6 B production industry.
- Additional costs for supporting infrastructure meant current investment of <£1 B is seen to not support government ambitions.

Investment Driver Comparison



Investment Drivers

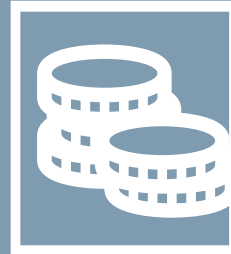
Policy Landscape

- Large federal government funding packages is driving investment through co-located Hubs



Cost Competitiveness

- Resource availability
 - Cheaper Renewable Energy
 - Abundant salt caverns
- Existing Infrastructure
- Favourable grid policy



Regulatory Landscape

- State-variable regulation
- Lag in regulation build-out compared to development
- Certification program unclear



Land Availability

- Vast land availability within the continental US for hydrogen value chain development



Investment Drivers



Technical Expertise.

- Low carbon hydrogen is still a nascent industry within the US



Domestic Market

- Large US domestic market, with state-level policy incentives, strong industry momentum and corporate support .
- Hydrogen hubs accelerating low carbon hydrogen growth through supply and demand co-location
- US has knowledge in exporting chemicals and energy; access to Asian markets.



Technology & Supply chain

- Technology scaling challenges in the hydrogen sector
- Supply chain pressures – wider macroeconomics

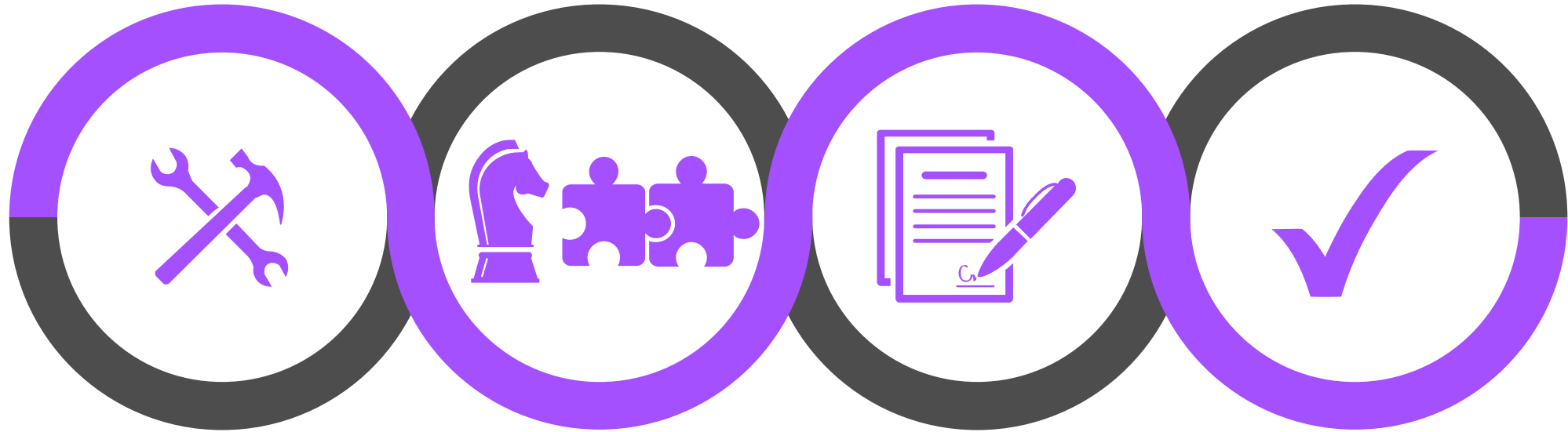


Workforce Availability

- Adjacent industry with reskilling programs – Oil & Gas, Chemicals
- Current lack of hydrogen specific workforce availability



Market Opportunities



PROJECT DEVELOPMENT

- Government funding
- Growing market
- Resource & land availability
- H₂ Hubs

SOLUTIONS EXPORT

- UK technical expertise
- UK experience with service & technology export

HYDROGEN OFFTAKE

- Future target price – cost competitive
- Policy allowance

GLOBAL CERTIFICATION

- Hydrogen Certification Program
- Global implementation

Key Takeaways



1 >

Strong and clear policy backed by funding

- IRA Tax Credits – PTC & ITC – \$13.1 Billion
- DOE Hydrogen Initiatives - \$9.5 Billion
- UK HPBM – strong and integrated policy, less funding than US



2 >

Many similar strong market drivers, not without challenges

- US – cost competitive, collaborative market with workforce barriers
- UK – increased demand from GHG targets, minimal supporting infrastructure



3 >

Multiple opportunities for the UK

- Project development
- Solutions export
- Global hydrogen certification
- Hydrogen offtake

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