Hydrogen refueling stations development A case study in Olympia Odos Motorway

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# Energy pioneering at Motorists Service Stations

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# Joining Forces for Hydrogen initiatives

- REAH2 project/Construction

   of HRS for passenger cars,
   light-duty and heavy-duty
   vehicles in Akrata MSS
- TRIERES project/Greek Small
   Scale Hydrogen Valley





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## Legislation



#### Alternative Fuels Infrastructure Regulation

- ✓ 1 HRS every 200 km along the Ten-T core network by 2030
- ✓ 1 HRS in every major urban node
- $\checkmark$  1 tone/day, for all modes of road transport



## Hydrogen Refueling Stations Legislation in Greece

# Greece has recently issued the legislation concerning the HRS stations

- Greek Law N. 4439/2016
- Ministerial Degree 118664/2023
- ISO 19880-1:2020 "Gaseous hydrogen Fueling stations"



# Why hydrogen for mobility?

- Water vapor is the only emission of hydrogen fuel cell vehicles
- Long distance driving range (~500 km for cars/ ~1000 km for trucks)
- Quick refueling (3'-5' for cars, 10'-20' for trucks)



#### Comparison of commercially available fuels and electricity



Green hydrogen: Hydrogen produced from electrolysis of water using renewable energy sources



#### Idea Statement

Is it possible to meet the hydrogen demands of Olympia Odos users by 2030, by producing our own "green" hydrogen?







#### Questions to be answered

- How much hydrogen do we need by 2030 to fuel the hydrogen vehicles on Olympia Odos motorway?
- What's needed to produce "green" hydrogen in terms of:

• Infrastructure

- Power from PV panels
- Space
- Resources



#### Methodology

- 1. Estimate 2030 hydrogen demand on Olympia Odos
- 2. Size refueling station components
- 3. Calculate electricity use
- 4. Determine solar plant size



#### Estimation of 2030 H2 demand

- 1.800 kg of H2 per day
- 450 hydrogen vehicles per day
- 2 HRS across the motorway
- ~ 1 tone of H2 per station daily



	Parameters	Values
1	Total motorway length, L (km)	200
2	The market share of hydrogen vehicles (passenger cars, vans, trucks & buses), M.S. (%)	1,5
3	% of passenger cars on the fleet (PVs)	0,87
4	% of vans on the fleet (LCVs)	0,12
5	% of trucks & buses on the fleet (HDVs)	0,01
6	PV tank capacity (kg)	5
7	LCV tank capacity (kg)	6
8	HDV tank capacity (kg)	30
9	Mean tank capacity of the "Average Vehicle" according to the synthesis of fleet	8,01
10	% tank filling per single fueling	0,50
11	Single fueling, F (kg)	4,005
12	Range for single fueling, (km)	240
13	Average Daily Traffic, Av.Tr. (vehicles/day)	25.000
14	Required amound of H2 per day (kg)	1.802
15	Number of hydrogen "Average Vehicles" to be served per day	450
16	Number of Stations across the motorway	2
17	Required amount of H2 per Station daily (kg)	~ 1 tone H per day



#### Hydrogen Refueling Station components



 Electric energy supply (solar panels on-grid or off-grid)

- Electrolyzer
- Hydrogen storage tanks
- Compressor
- Precooling Unit
- Dispenser



#### Sizing of the HRS components

- Commercially available electrolyzer with high production rate (kg/h)
- Commercially available compressor of 5 stages
- Enough storage tanks to cover the production

Electrolyzer technical specifications				
Manufacturer	Nel			
	M Series			
Model	Containerized			
Electrolytic cell type	PEM			
Hydrogen production rate (kg/h)	44,25			
System Consumption (kWh/kg)	50,4			

Compressor	
Manufacturer	Linde
Model	IC90/60
Number of stages	5
Maximum discharge pressure (MPa)	90
Compression rate (kg/h)	56
Engine electrical power (kW)	186



#### Scenarios for "Green" Solar HRS

#### • Off-grid solar HRS

- It can not use the grid
- No batteries
- We assume average sun 7.5h per day
- Pros: 100% "green" power
- Cons: no continuous supply of H2

#### • On-grid solar HRS

- It can use grid power
- We assume seasonal variations
- Pros: continuous supply of H2
- Cons: not 100% "green" power



#### Results for "Green" HRS of 1 tone

# Electrical cinsumption of HRS components (kWh/day)

	Photovoltaic plant	Zero grid	High grid (75%)	Mid grid (50%)	Low grid (25%)	Minimum grid (5%)
1	Daily average energy demand Etot (kWh/day)	54.078	54.078	54.078	54.078	54.078
2	Daily Generation by the grid (kWh/day)	-	40.558,34	27.038,89	13.519,45	2.703,89
3	Daily generation by the photovoltaic plant Eel,ph (kWh/day)	54.078	13.519,45	27.038,89	40.558,34	51.373,90
4	Peak Sun Hours in north Peloponeese SPH (h)	7,5	3,5	6,0	9,0	11,5
5	Number of pannels Npv	18.631	9.981	11.645	11.645	11.543
6	Surface of each panel ap (m2)	1,90	1,90	1,90	1,90	1,90
7	Total area occupied Aph (m2)	35.400	18.964	22.125	22.125	21.932
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#### A more realistic scenario - "Hybrid" HRS

- Part of the demand of hydrogen is delivered from a central facility (or full delivery)
- Pros : less workload for the electrolyzer
- Cons: not sure if hydrogen delivered is "green" + CO2 from delivery



#### Results for "Hybrid" HRS of 1 tone

	Photovoltaic plant	Low delivery (25%)	Mid delivery (50%)	High delivery (75%)	Full delivery (100%)
1	Daily average energy demand Etot (kWh/day)	41.478	28.878	16.278	3.678
2	Daily generation by the photovoltaic plant Eel,ph (kWh/day)	20.738,89	14.438,89	8.138,89	1.838,89
3	Peak Sun Hours in north Peloponeese SPH (h)	6,0	6,0	6,0	6,0
4	Number of pannels Npv	8.931	6.218	3.505	792
5	Surface of each panel ap (m2)	1,90	1,90	1,90	1,90
6	Total area occupied Aph (m2)	16.970	11.815	6.660	1.505

Realistically we would need ~1.500 m<sup>2</sup> of solar panels for the installation of 1 off-site HRSs on the motorway



#### Conclusions



- "Green" hygrogen requires extensive recourses (infrastructure, power, space, water)
- More suitable as a fuel for heavy vehicles
- Seems to be one of the few available "ways to go"



# Thank you! Any Questions?



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