



HYDROGEN ECOSYSTEM NORTH ADRIATIC Conference

North Adriatic Cross-border Hydrogen Valley

24 November 2021

Organised by FCH-JU and ECUBES

The conference is a part of the agenda of Slovenian presidency of the Council of the European Union, and a side event to the 15th SET PLAN Conference Bled, 25-26 November 2021

EVENT 1

Opening of first Slovenian Hydrogen Refueling Station (HRS)
Location: Salonit Anhovo cement plant

EVENT 2

Workshop on the creation of a "North Adriatic cross-border hydrogen valley"
Location: Perla Hotel conference hall, Nova Gorica, Slovenia

Purpose

To create more awareness of the potential of Hydrogen technologies to decarbonize the economy in central and eastern European countries which is a clear request of EU policymakers. The workshop aims to share with local authorities and companies, knowledge and experience of setting up hydrogen valleys to help the advancement of creating a potential "North Adriatic Cross-border Hydrogen Valley".

AGENDA

EVENT 1: HRS opening at Salonit Anhovo cement plant, marking the start of the hydrogen eco-system Slovenia
Organizers: SALONIT and ECUBES

Location Salonit Anhovo cement plant, Anhovo 1, Kanal

9:00 Welcome by Ms. Tina Gerbec, Mayor of Kanal ob Soči

9:05 Speeches by:

- Mr. Julijan Fortunat, Chairman of the Board, Salonit Anhovo
- Dr. Tomaž Vuk, Board Member, Salonit Anhovo
- Mr. Aleksander Gerbec, CEO ECUBES
- Mr. Blaž Košorok, State Secretary at Ministry of Infrastructure Slovenia
- Dr. Luca Polizzi, Policy officer DG RTD European commission
- Mr. Bart Biebuyck, executive director, FCH-JU

9:40 Cutting the ribbon

9:50 Move VIP by Toyota Mirai to Nova Gorica.

EVENT 2: Workshop on the creation of a "North Adriatic cross-border hydrogen valley"

Location: Perla Hotel conference room in Nova Gorica, Slovenija

Organizers: Co-organized FCH-JU and ECUBES, event is part of the Slovenian Presidency 2021 agenda.

10:30 Welcome by Dr. Klemen Miklavič, Mayor of Nova Gorica

10:35 High-level speeches:

- Mr. Blaž Košorok, State Secretary at Ministry of Infrastructure Slovenia
- Mr. Fabio Scoccimarro, Minister of the Friuli-Venezia-Giulia Autonomous Region for environment, energy and sustainable development
- Mr. Ivo Milatić State Secretary at Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development in Croatia
- Mr. Paolo Guglia, Fincantieri for Hydrogen Europe Industry
- Mr. Luigi Crema, Fondazione Bruno Kessler for Hydrogen Europe Research association

11:05 Intervention European commission

11:15 **Session 1: Hydrogen valleys in the world, what is it and what did we learn?**

- Dr. Luca Polizzi, Policy officer DG RTD European commission, Hydrogen Valleys Policy
- Mr. Patrick Cnubben, Energy Coalition, Heaven Hydrogen Valley
- Mr. Enrique Troncoso, Mallorca + Orkney islands hydrogen valley
- Mr. Stephan Herbst, Technical Head Hydrogen, TOYOTA Motors Europe, Hydrogen Ecosystem
- David Gerbec, Power Market Services Expert, ELES

Q&A

12:15 H2 STUDENT grand prix demo, Dr. Matjaž Knez (University of Maribor)

12:15 Break

12:30 **Session 2: North Adriatic Cross-border hydrogen valley stakeholders talk (Panel discussion).**

- Introduced by Mr. Andrej Černigoj, MP, SI-Parliamentary board of Defence
- Moderated by Bart Biebuyck, executive director, FCH-JU

Panelists:

- Mr. Vittorio Torbianelli, Trieste Port authority (IT)
- Mr. Borut Čok, Head strategic development, Luka Koper (SLO)
- Luka Rijeka (CRO) TBC
- Ms. Chiara Luongo, Hydrogen BU SNAM (IT)
- Prof. Valter Sergo, Vice Rector University of Trieste (IT)
- Dr. Tomaž Vuk, CTO SALONIT (SL)
- Dr. Viktor Vračar, CEO HSE (SL)
- Prof. Ankica Kovač, Faculty of Mechanical Engineering (CRO)
- Ms. Kristina Marić, Head of Research and development, INA (CRO)

Q&A and Wrap-up

13:30 Closing words by project representatives:

- Prof. Rodolfo Taccani (IT)
- Mr. Vjekoslav Jukić (HR)
- Mr. Aleksander Gerbec (SLO)

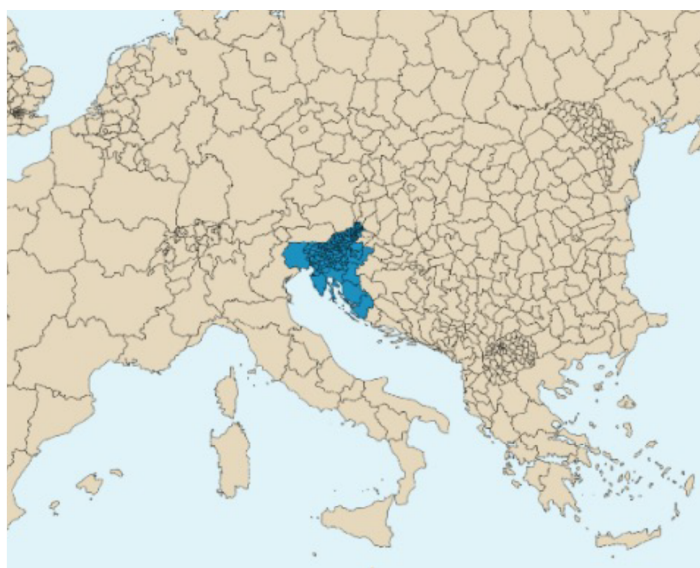
13:45 For Participants Lunch at Hotel restaurant

13:45 VIPs move to Europe / Transalpina Square

14:00 Meeting to endorse the support to create a "North Adriatic Cross-border Hydrogen Valley"

- Mr. Blaž Košorok, State Secretary at Ministry of Infrastructure Slovenia
- Mr. Massimiliano Fedriga, President of the Friuli-Venezia-Giulia Autonomous Region
- Mr. Ivo Milatić State Secretary at Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development in Croatia

14:30 End of the event



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