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Idrogeno e decarbonizzazione del trasporto pesante



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Where we are starting from: truck figures

6,2 Million trucks fleet

2% of the EU fleet

23% of the CO₂ emissions
from the EU transport sector

Covering **73%** of all freight
transported over land

13 year average age

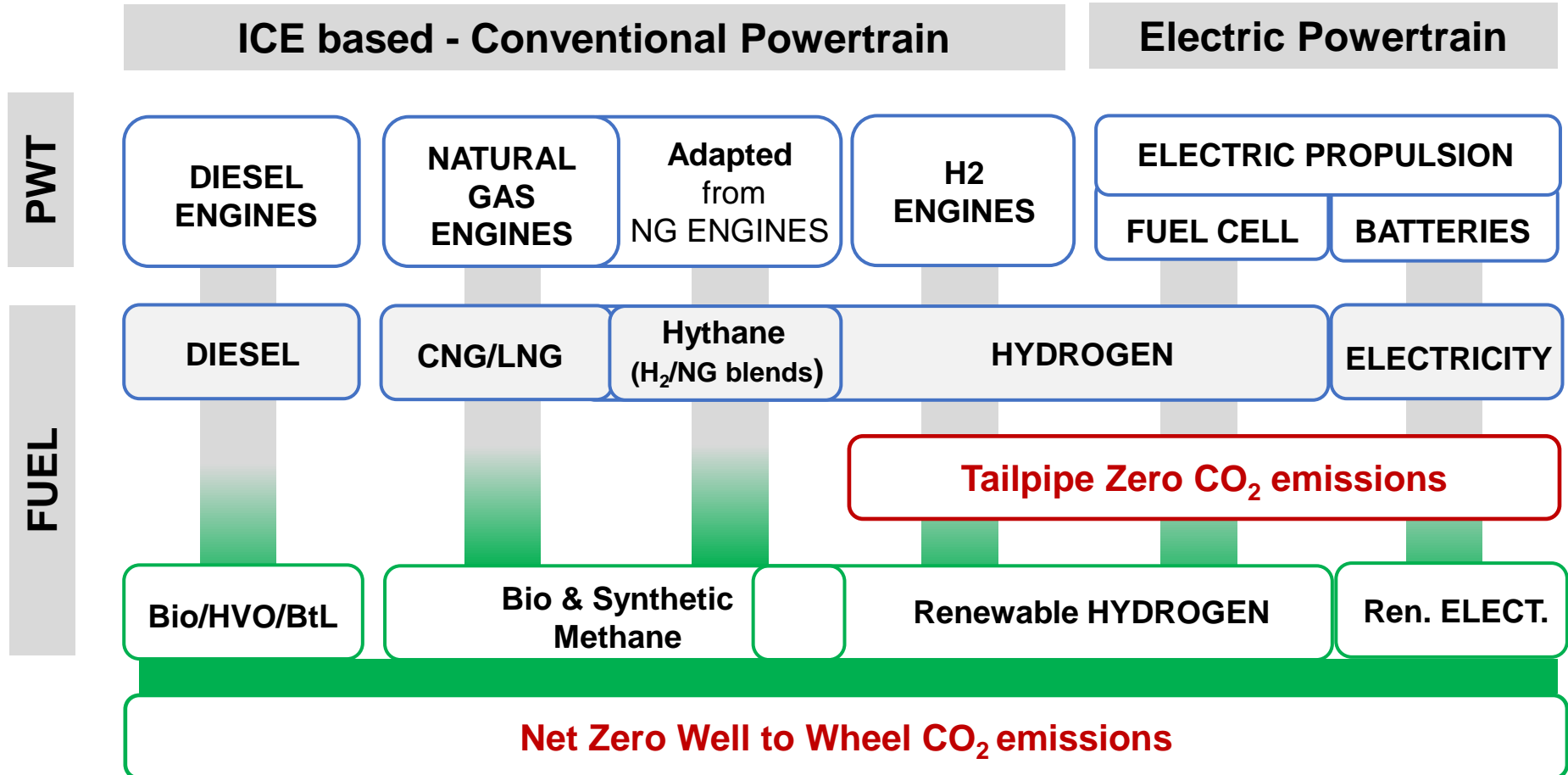
250 000

new trucks in 2020

0,5% hybrid+EV

2,9% alt fuels

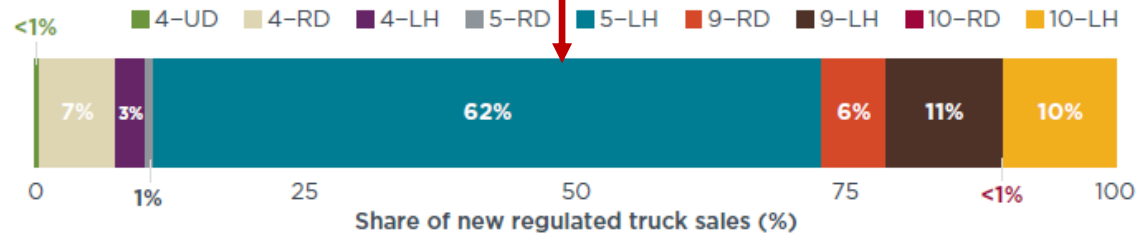
Pathways towards carbon neutrality



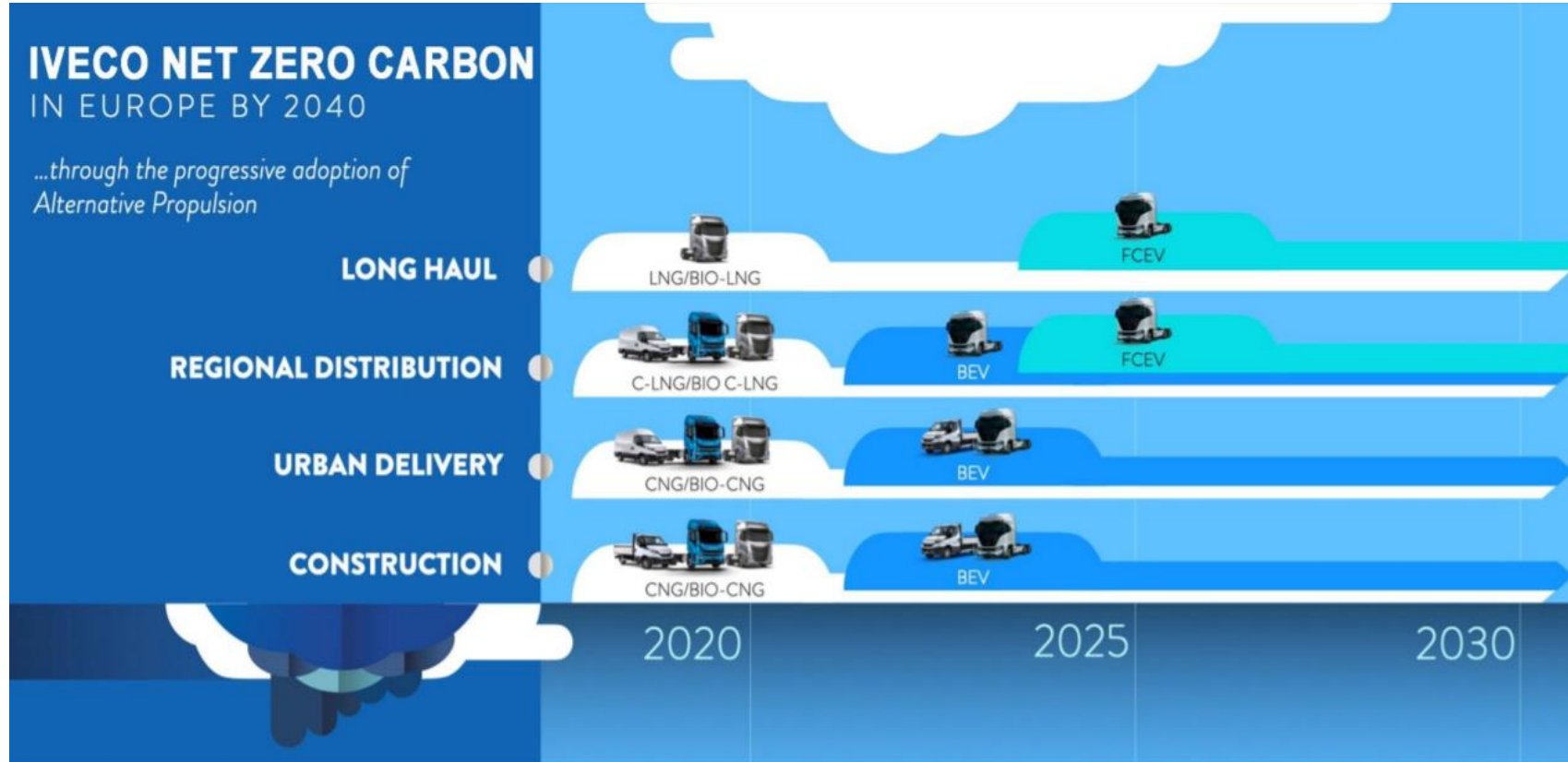
HDV CO₂ emissions regulation

CO₂ tailpipe emissions in scope of the EU 2019/1242 regulation

| Group description | Group | Sub-group | Cabin type | Engine power | Reference annual mileage (km) | Average payload (tonnes) |
|-------------------------------|-------------|-----------|-------------|--------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Rigid, 4x2 axle, GVW > 16 t | 4 | 4-UD | All | < 170 kW | 60,000 | 2.65 |
| | | 4-RD | Day cab | ≥ 170 kW | 78,000 | 3.18 |
| | | | Sleeper cab | ≥ 170 kW, < 265 kW | | |
| Tractor, 4x2 axle, GVW > 16 t | 5 | 4-LH | Sleeper cab | ≥ 265 kW | 98,000 | 7.42 |
| | | 5-RD | Day cab | All | 78,000 | 10.26 |
| Sleeper cab | < 265 kW | | | | | |
| Rigid, 6x2 axle | 9 | 5-LH | Sleeper cab | ≥ 265 kW | 116,000 | 13.84 |
| | | 9-RD | Day cab | All | 73,000 | 6.28 |
| 9-LH | Sleeper cab | 108,000 | 13.4 | | | |
| Tractor, 6x2 axle | 10 | 10-RD | Day cab | All | 68,000 | 10.26 |
| | | 10-LH | Sleeper cab | | 107,000 | 13.84 |



Towards net zero emissions



How to best use H₂ for HD applications: FC or ICE ?

When comparing H₂ **ICEs** to hydrogen **Fuel Cells**:

PRO

- **Limited engineering effort for ICE integration**, especially when a full electrified vehicle platform is not already available or feasible;
- **Competitive vehicle payload** as with Natural Gas solutions;
- Less stringent requirements to **hydrogen purity grade**;
- Less sensitive to **ambient conditions**. Heat rejection is much lower compared to FC.

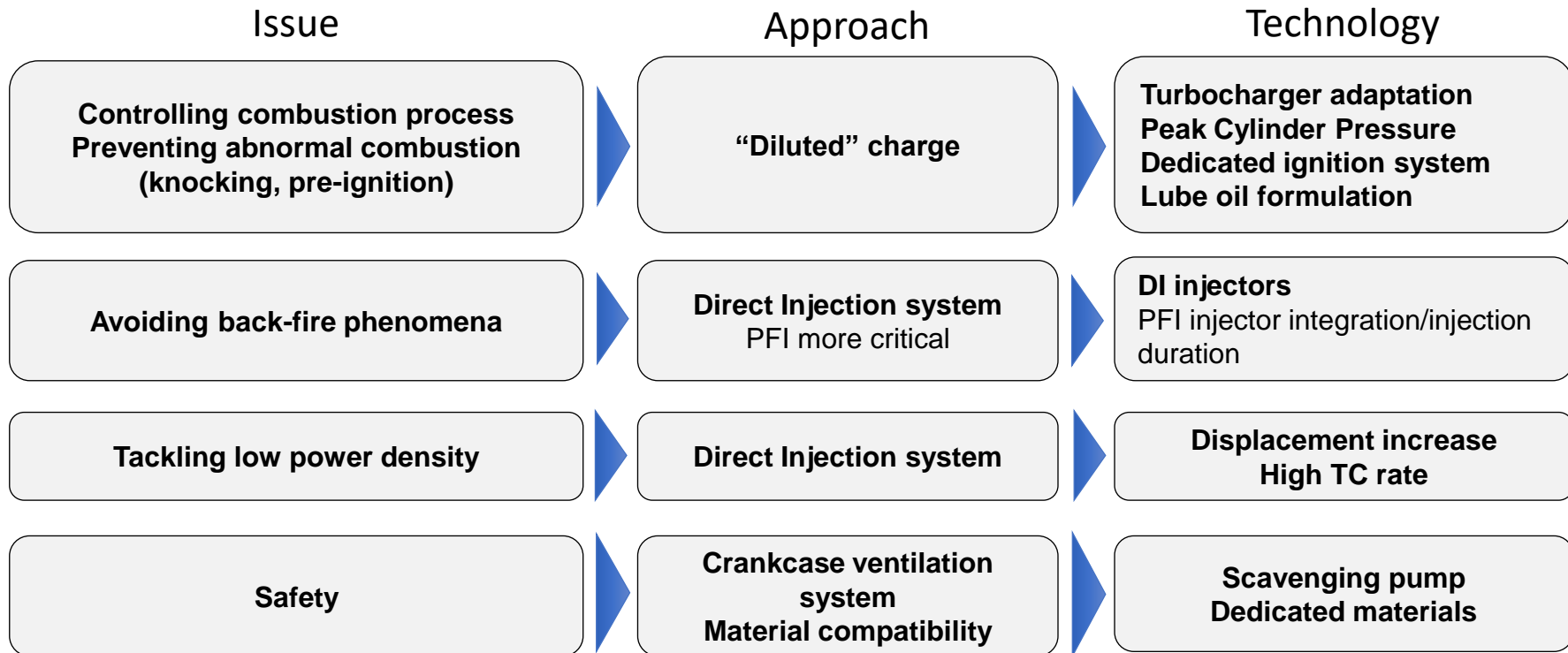
CONS

- **Local pollutants** still present even if at ultralow level;
- **Lower powertrain efficiency** (impact on fuel operating cost);
- Higher **acoustic emissions** compared to an electric powertrain.

TCO comparison results strongly related to external factors (e.g. H₂ price) and technology evolution (efficiency gap and cost).

H₂ ICE: main challenges

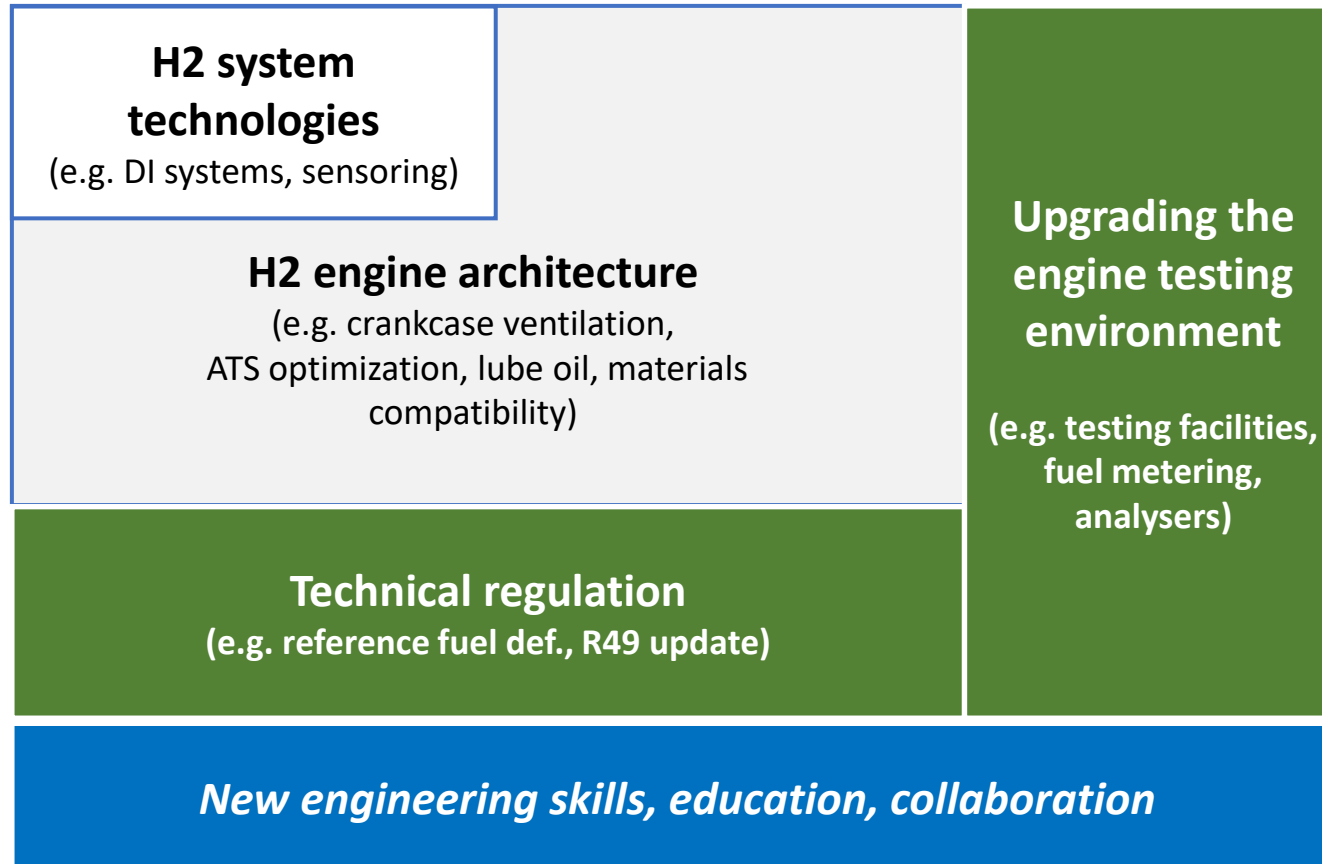
Due to its **wide inflammability range** and **low ignition energy**, hydrogen combustion process is challenging.



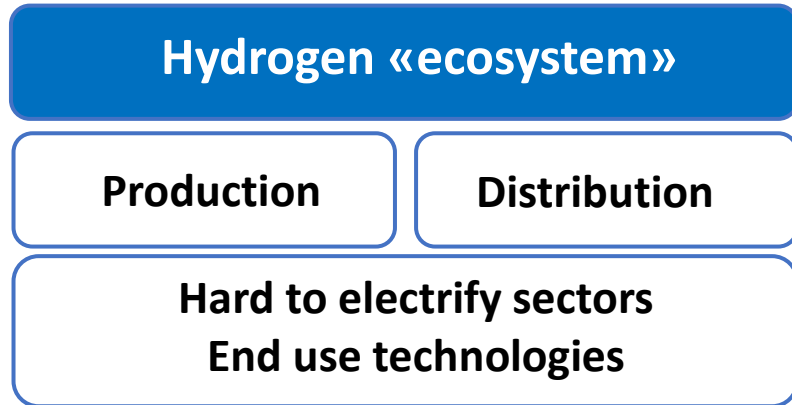
How to best approach H₂ ICEs

| | CNG/LNG | Hythane (NG/H ₂ blends) | H ₂ dedicated ICE |
|------------------------------|--|--|--|
| Injection system | PFI | | Low/Mid Pressure DI |
| Ignition | Spark Ignited (dedicated system for H ₂) | | |
| Combustion approach | $\lambda = 1$ | $\lambda = 1$ | Lean/Ultralean |
| Power density | Ref (> 25 kW/l) | = | = |
| Thermal efficiency | Ref | = | ++ |
| Aftertreatment system | 3-way cat | | DeNOx system but NOx engine raw emissions level expected much lower than Diesel at lambda >2 |

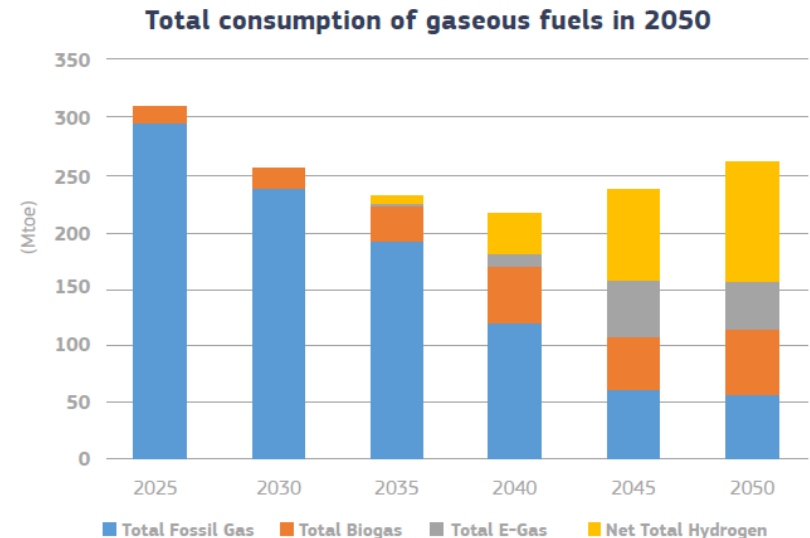
Supporting H₂ technologies



Creating the Hydrogen ecosystem



EU COM publication of the *Hydrogen and decarbonised gas markets package*



Technologies & infrastructure: a common pathway towards 2030

270 000 EV

trucks in **2030**

40-50 000 public

charging points > 350 kW

40 000 charging points

at lower power for public truck
stations over highways

60 000 H2

trucks in **2030**

1 000 refuelling

stations for HD (700 bar)

200 km max distance

over the TEN-T core
network



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