

Power-to-X for the future fuels supply

Techno economic evaluation and system analysis

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- Need for GHG emission reduction
- GHG emissions in Germany
- Options to reduce GHG emissions



2. Power-to-X concepts

- PtX-Options
- Evaluation criteria of PtX-Concepts

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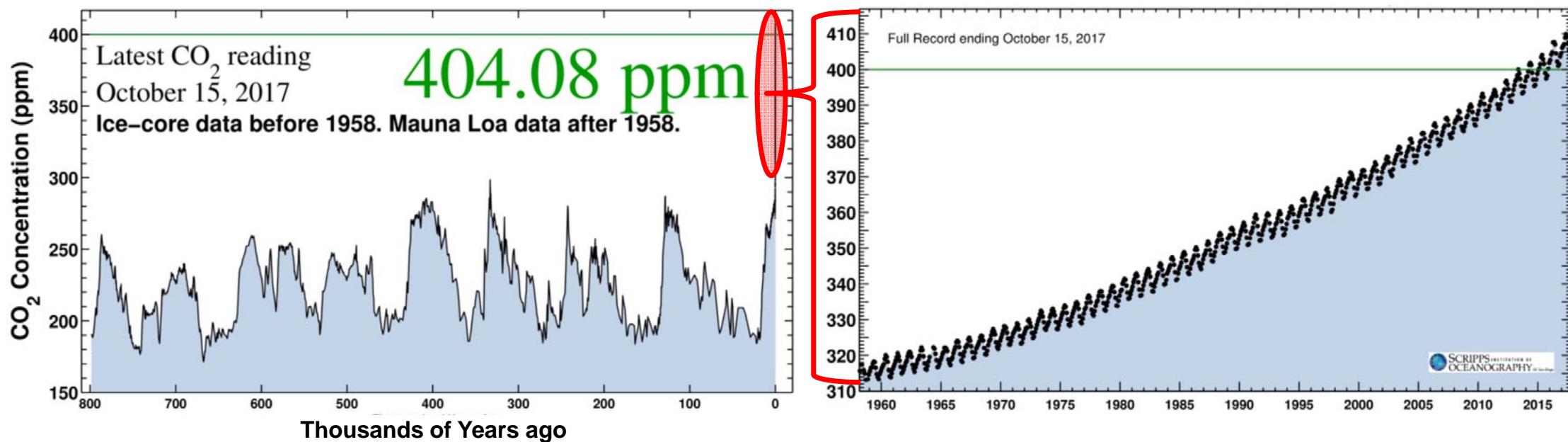
- Introduction to DLR methodology
- Example: PtL – Jet fuel by Fischer-Tropsch

4. Summary and Outlook



Climate Change – Driver for Power-to-X?

No slow-down of carbon dioxid concentration rise to observe!



Source: <https://www.co2.earth/daily-co2>

Global agreement to mitigate climate change

Global long term targets



• COP21 targets:

- ❖ Decarbonization of Society
- ❖ Global average temperature increase below 1.5 °C



European mid term goals

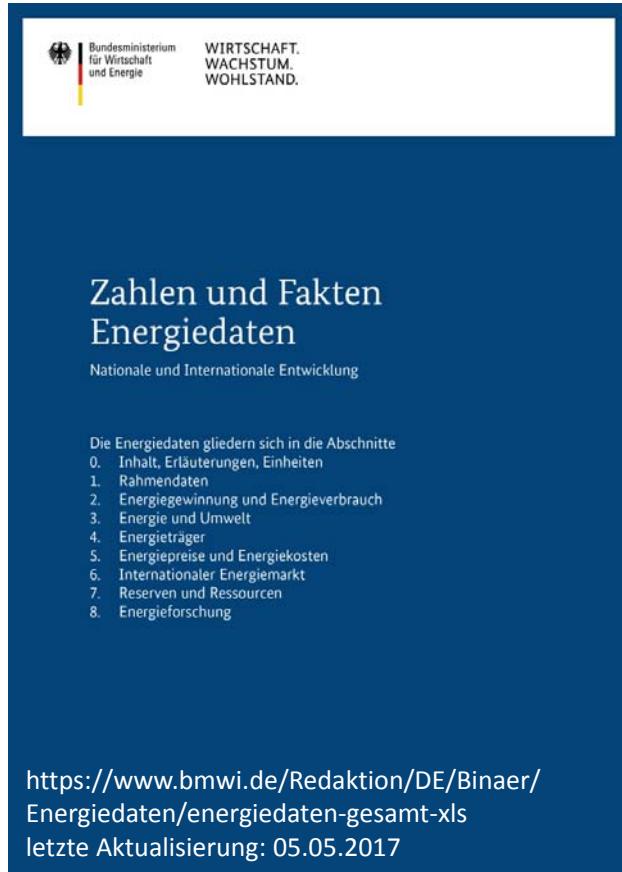


- EU-targets until 2030^{1,2}
 - ❖ **40 %** reduction of GHG (base year 1990)
 - ❖ **27 %** increase of renewable energies in primary energy consumption
 - ❖ **10 %** renewable energy in transport and **6.8 %** advanced renewable fuels in fuel supply

¹ European Council, "2030 Climate and Energy Policy Framework," Brussels 2014

² European Commission, "Proposal for a directive on the promotion of the use of energy from renewable sources (recast)," Brussels 2016

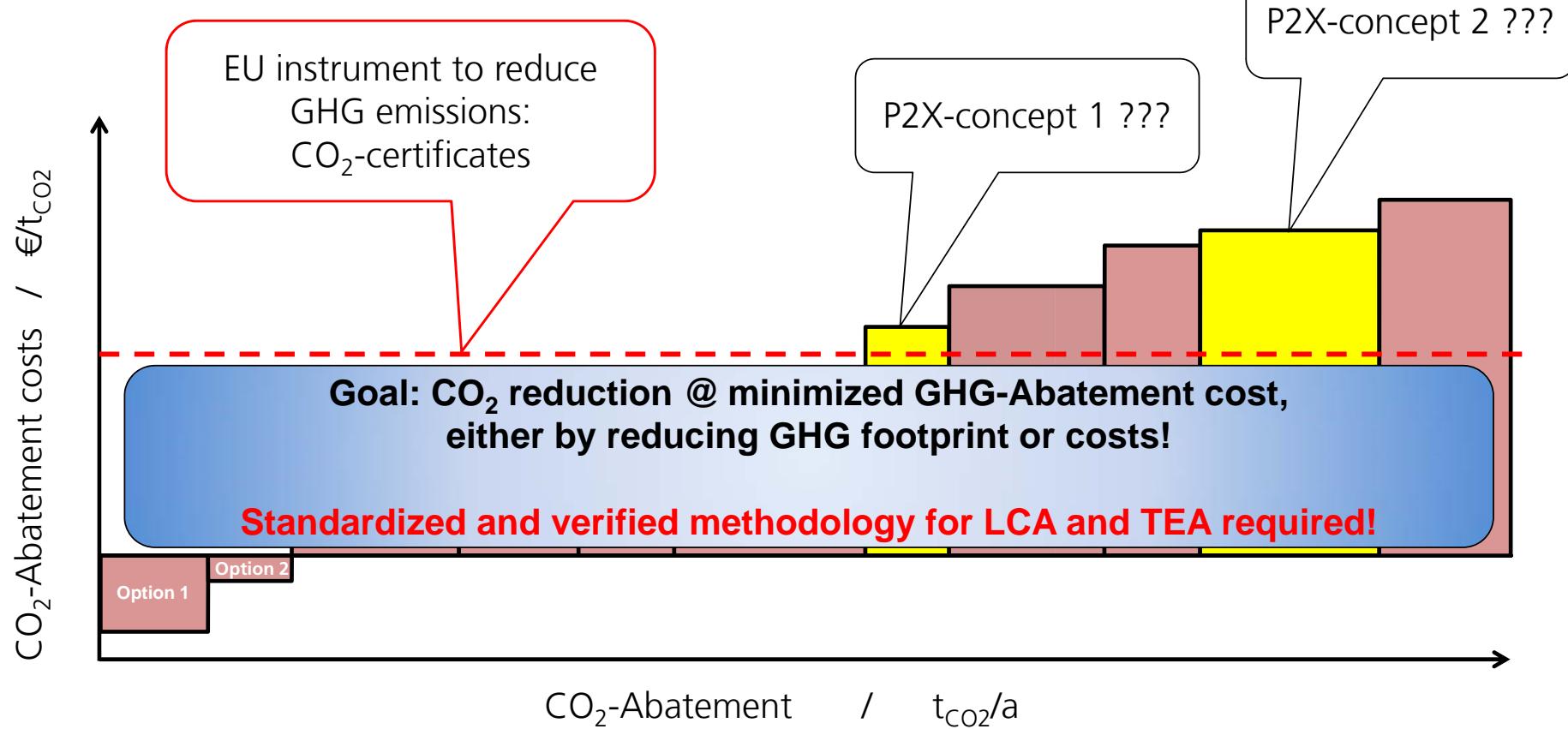
CO₂ Emissions from Germany



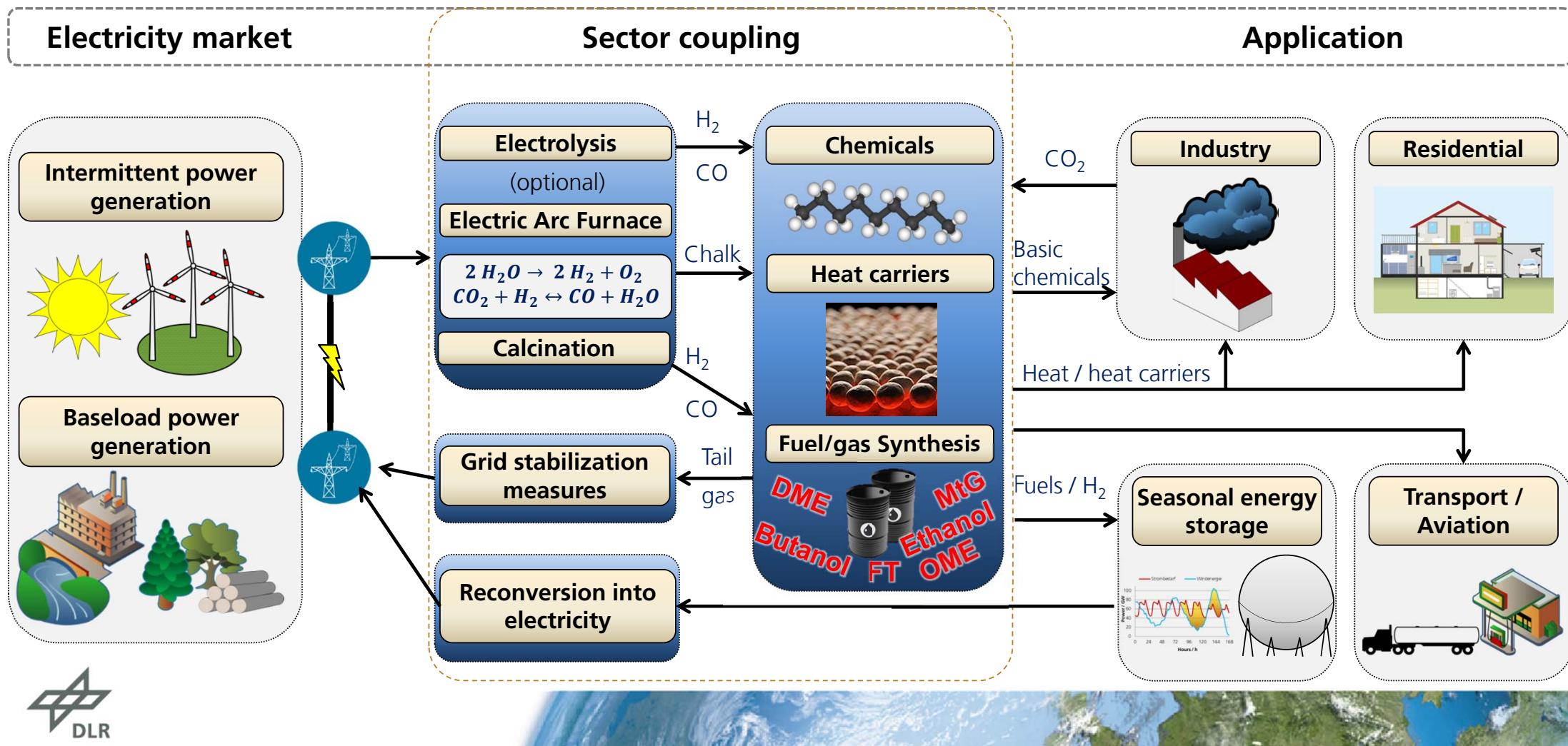
CO ₂ / Mt ₂₀₁₅	Energy / PJ ₂₀₁₅
148.5	Wind, PV, biomass, nuclear
171.6	Wind, PV, biomass, nuclear
245.6	e-Mobility, biofuels, PtX
150.7	PtX

Comparison of PtX concepts

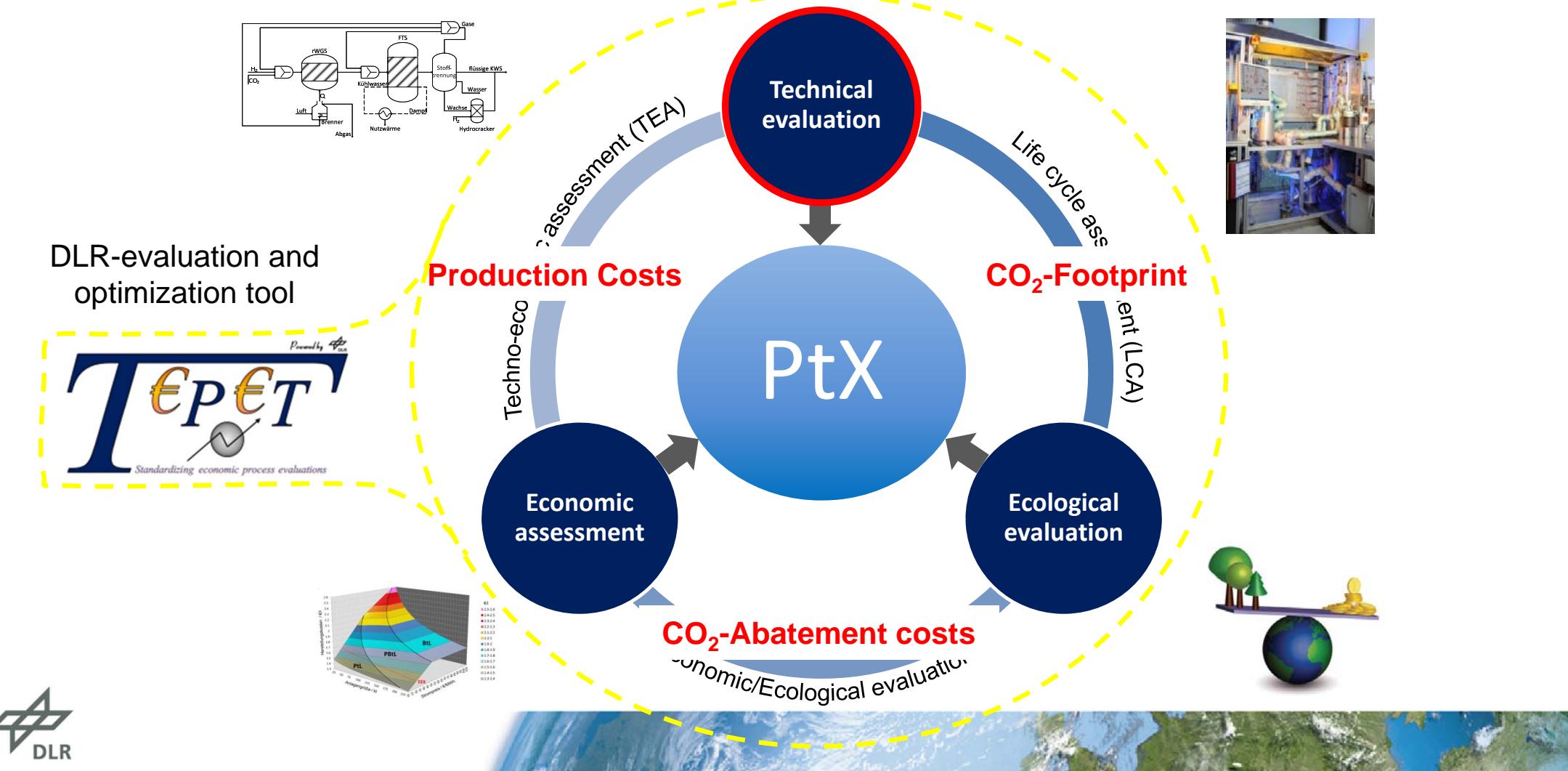
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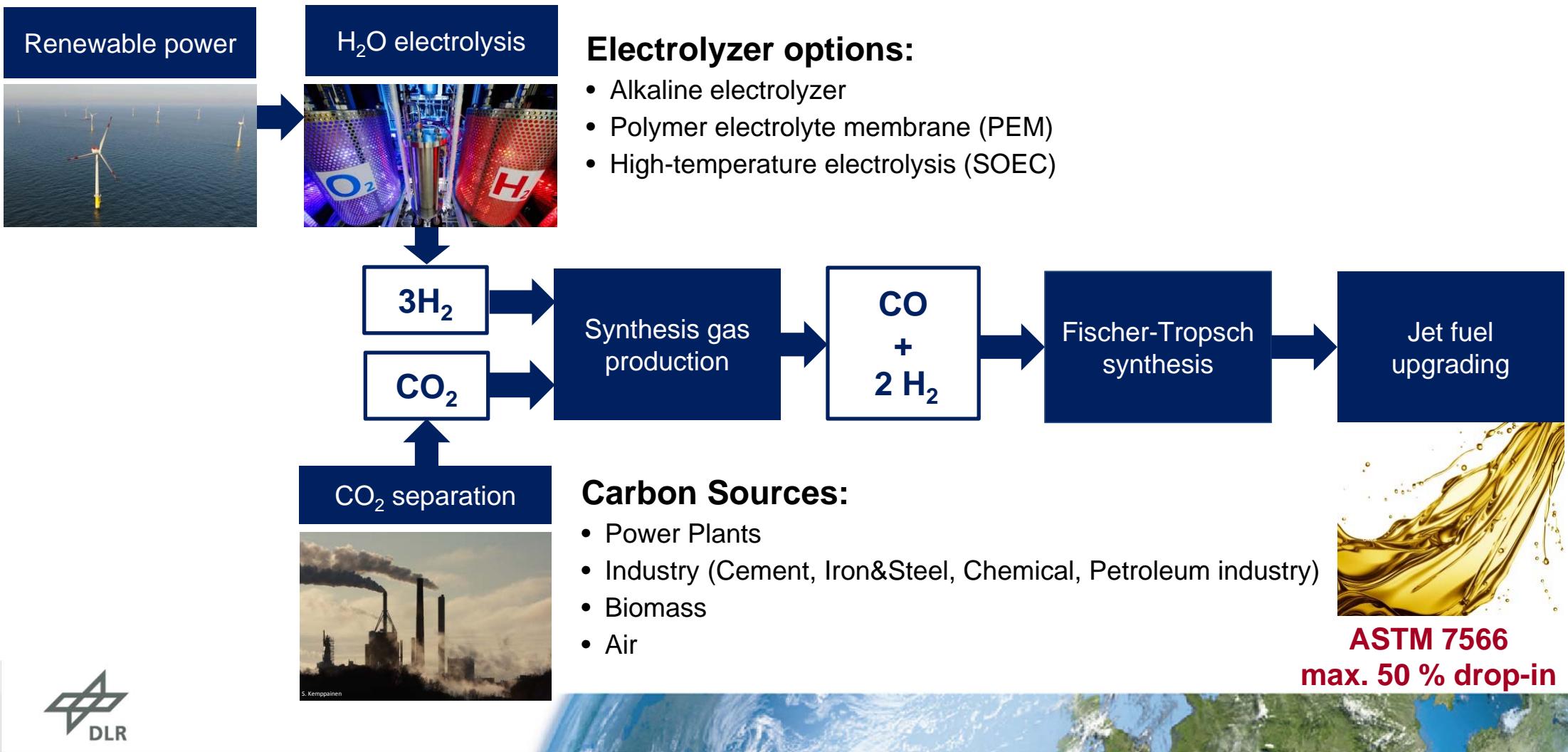
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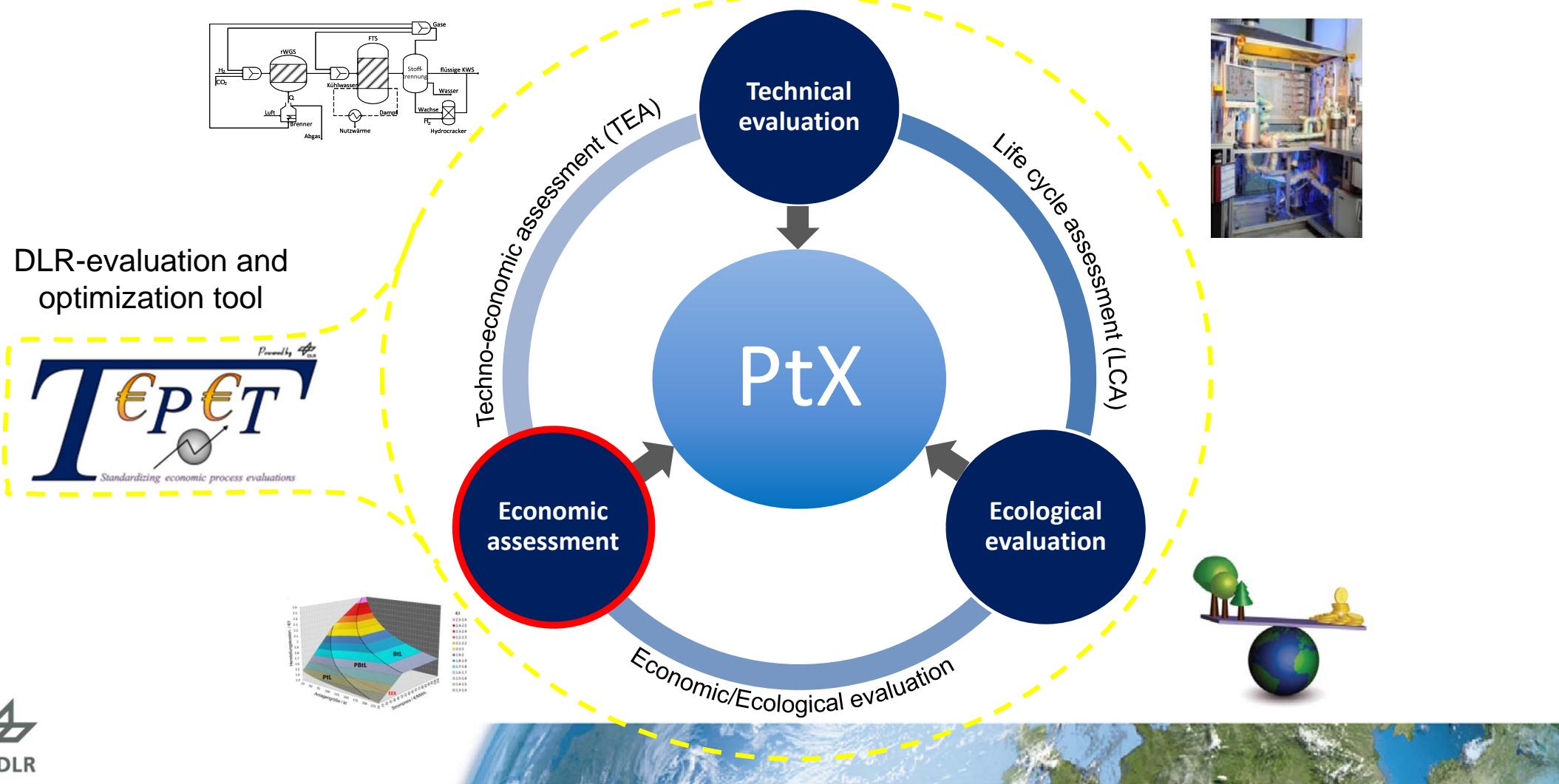
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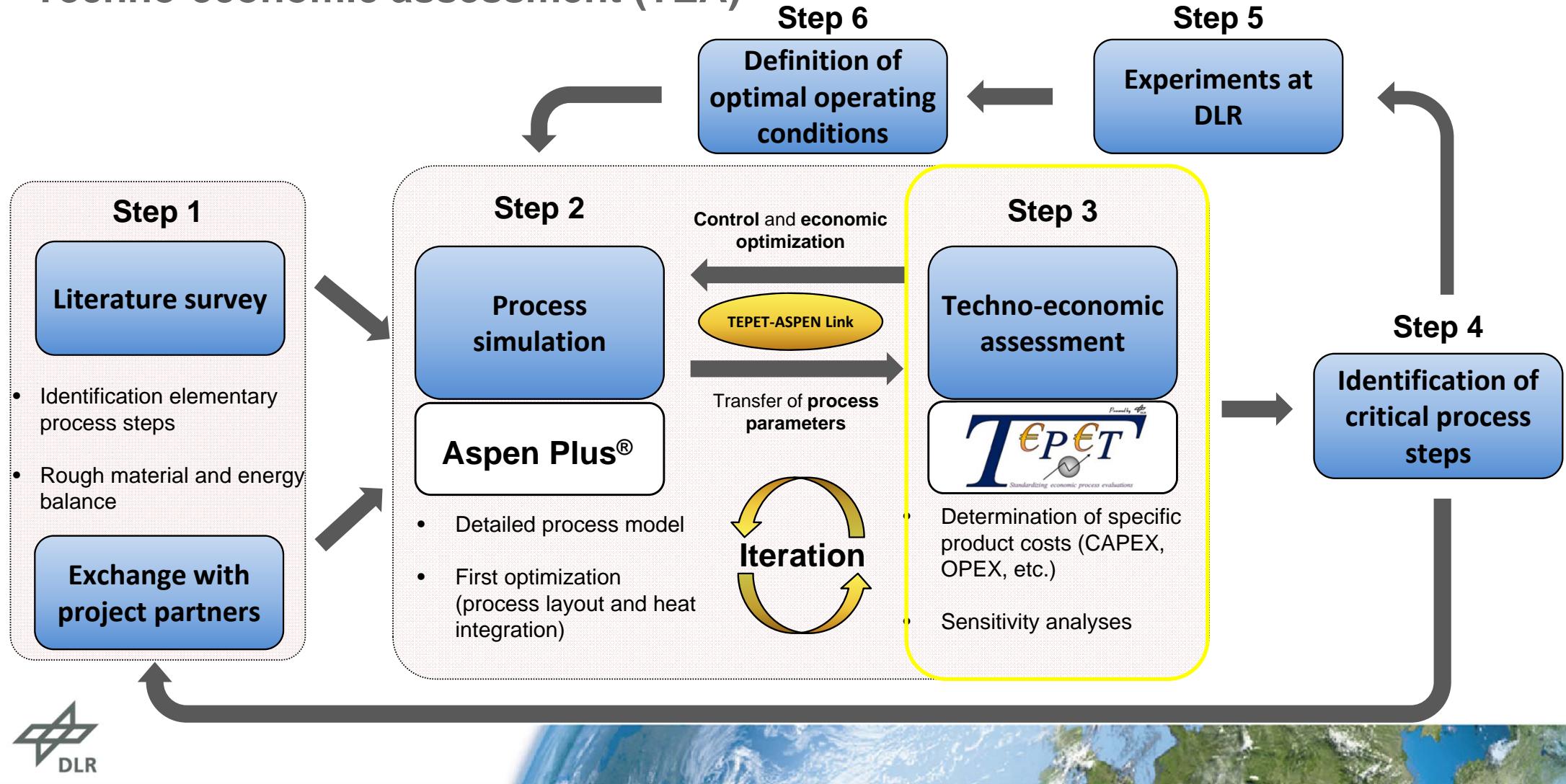
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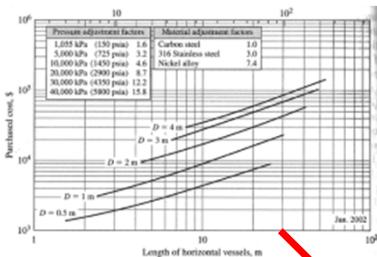


Techno-economic assessment (TEA)



TEA Methodology

- adapted from **best-practice chem. eng. methodology**
- Meets AACE class 3-4, Accuracy: **+/- 30 %**
- **Year specific** using annual CEPCI Index
- Automated interface for **seamless integration**
- Easy sensitivity studies for **every parameter**
- Learning curves, economy of scale, ...



Plant and unit sizes

Process simulation results

material and energy balance

Capital costs

- Equipment costs
- Piping & installation
- Factory buildings
- Engineering services ...

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Operational costs

- Raw materials
- Operating materials
- Maintenance
- Wages ...

Production costs
€/l , €/kg , €/MJ

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Example: PtL – Boundary conditions dictate economic results

2016 investment costs:

<i>PEM-Electrolyzer (stack):</i>	720	€/kW [1]
<i>PEM-Electrolyzer (system):</i>	1,350	€/kW (TEPET)
Fischer-Tropsch:	95,650	€/(m ³) ^[2] (scale factor 1)

2016 raw material & by-product market prices:

Electricity:	83.7	€/MWh ^[3]
CO ₂ :	12.1	€/t ^[4]
Oxygen (export):	23.7	€/t ^[5]
Steam (export):	14.7	€/t ^[6]

Other economic assumptions:

<i>Base year:</i>	2016	<i>Plant lifetime:</i>	30 years
<i>Operating hours:</i>	8,260 h/a	<i>Interest rate</i>	5 %

[1] G. Saur, Wind-To-Hydrogen Project: Electrolyzer Capital Cost Study, Technical Report NREL, 2008

[2] P. Kerdoncuff, Modellierung und Bewertung von Prozessketten zur Herstellung von Biokraftstoffen der zweiten Generation, Dissertation, KIT, Karlsruhe, 2008

[3] Eurostat, Preise Elektrizität für Industrieabnehmer in Deutschland, 2016

[4] S. D. Phillips, „Gasoline from wood via integrated gasification, synthesis, and methanol-to-gasoline technologies,” NREL, 2011

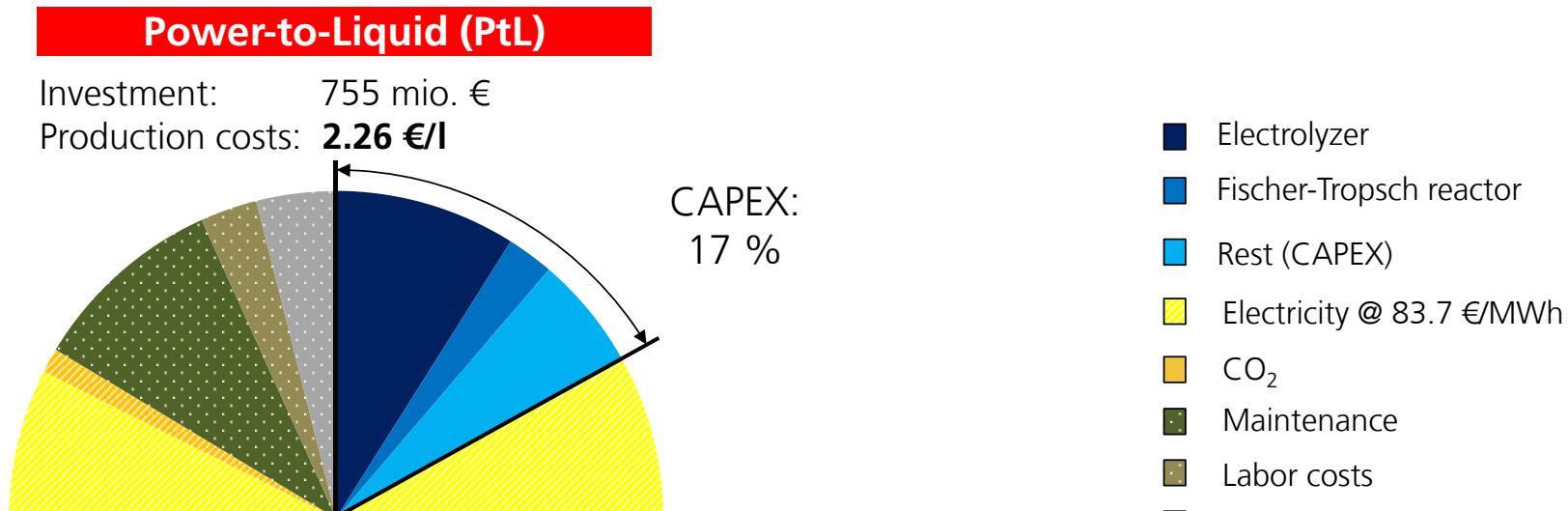
[5] NREL, “Appendix B: Carbon Dioxide Capture Technology Sheets - Oxygen Production,” US Department of Energy, 2013

[6] Own calculations based on natural gas price from Eurostat database



Example: PtL – Jet fuel production via Power-to-Liquid

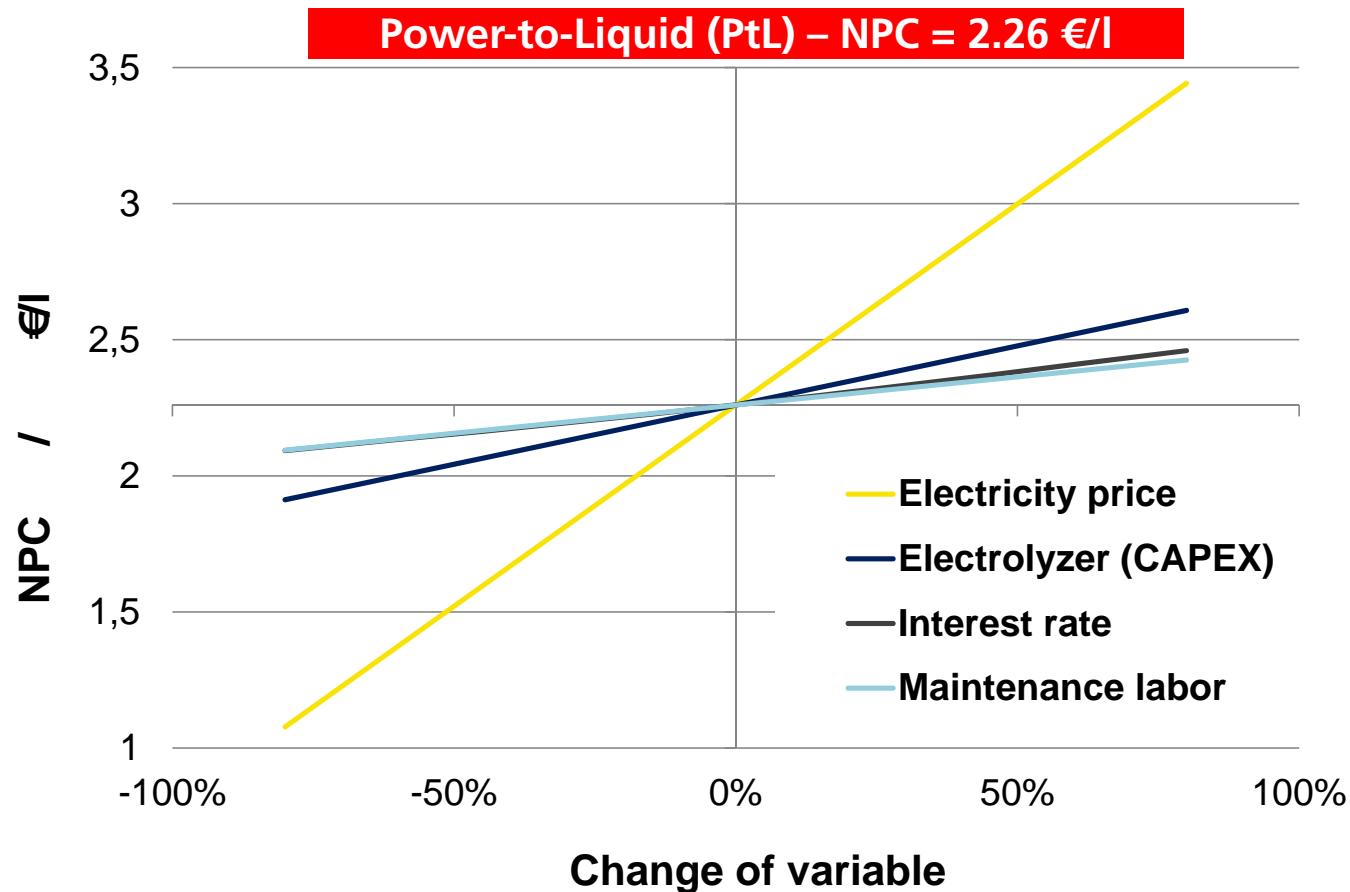
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Cheap renewable electricity required in
order to make PtX competitive!

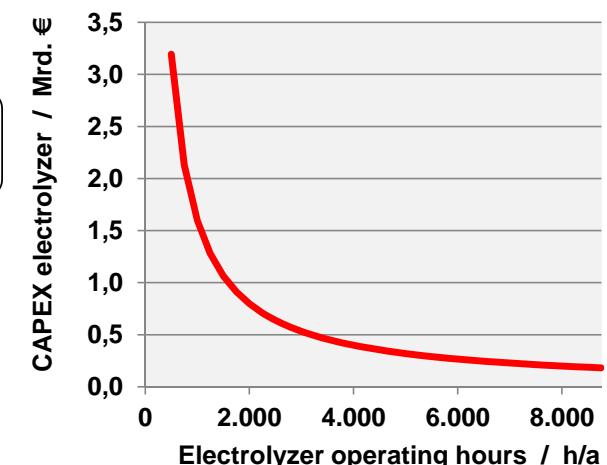
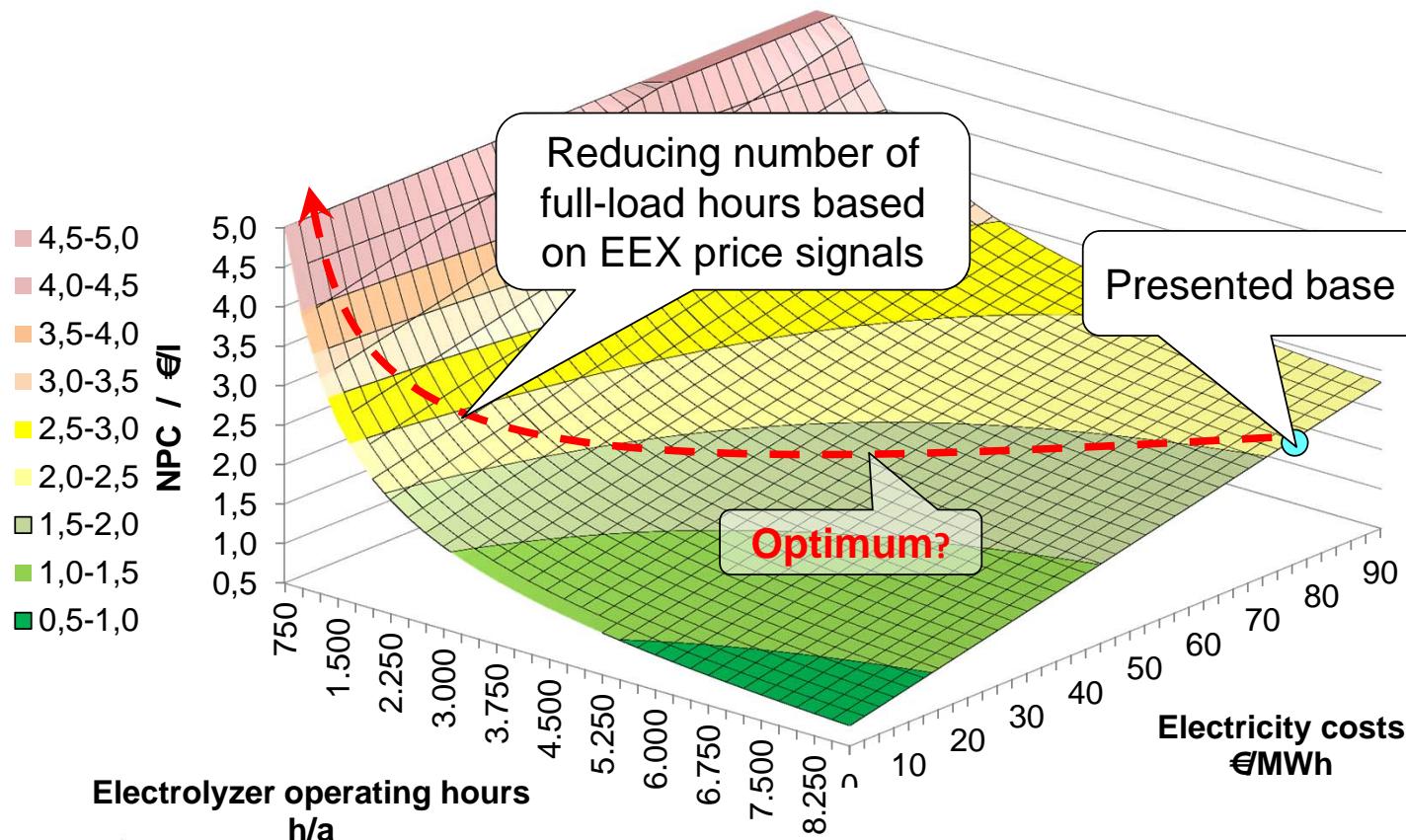
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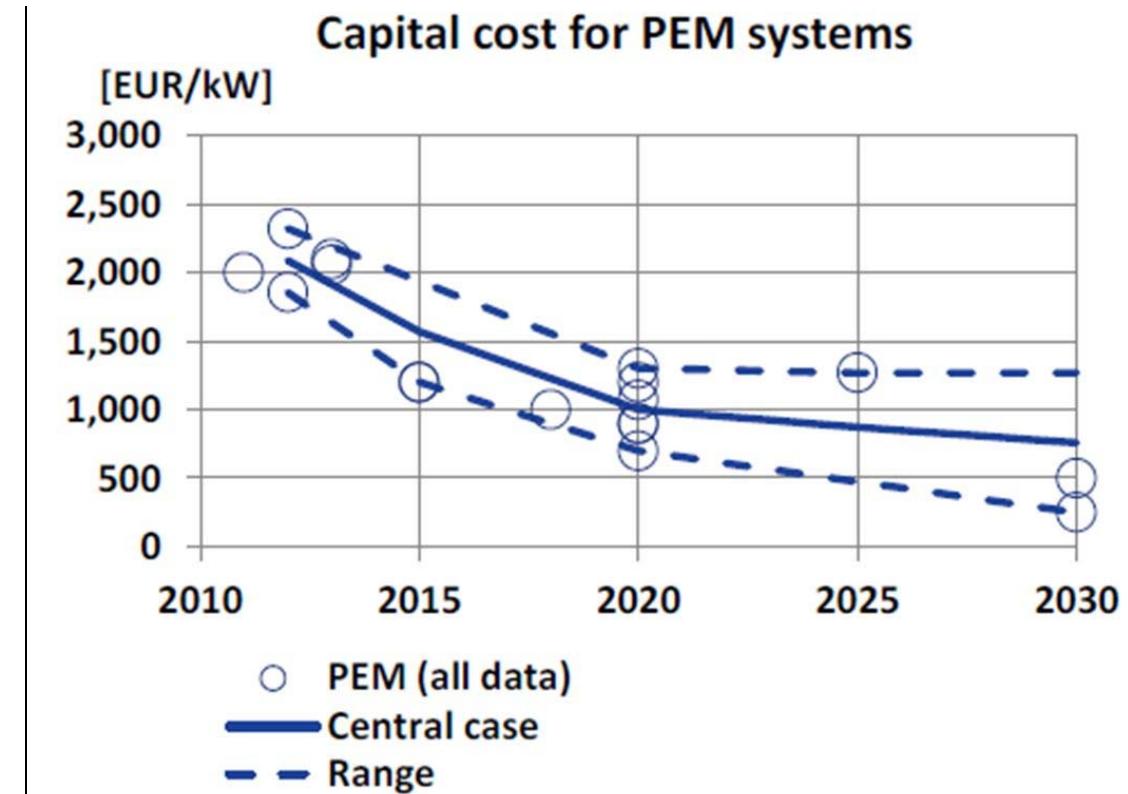
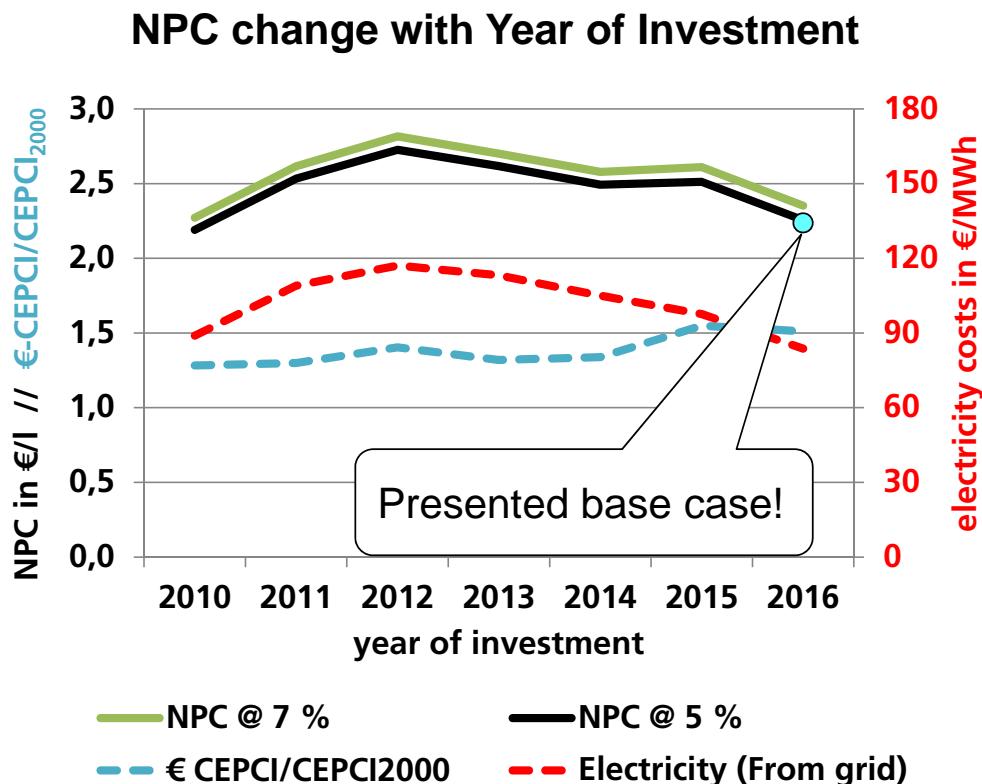


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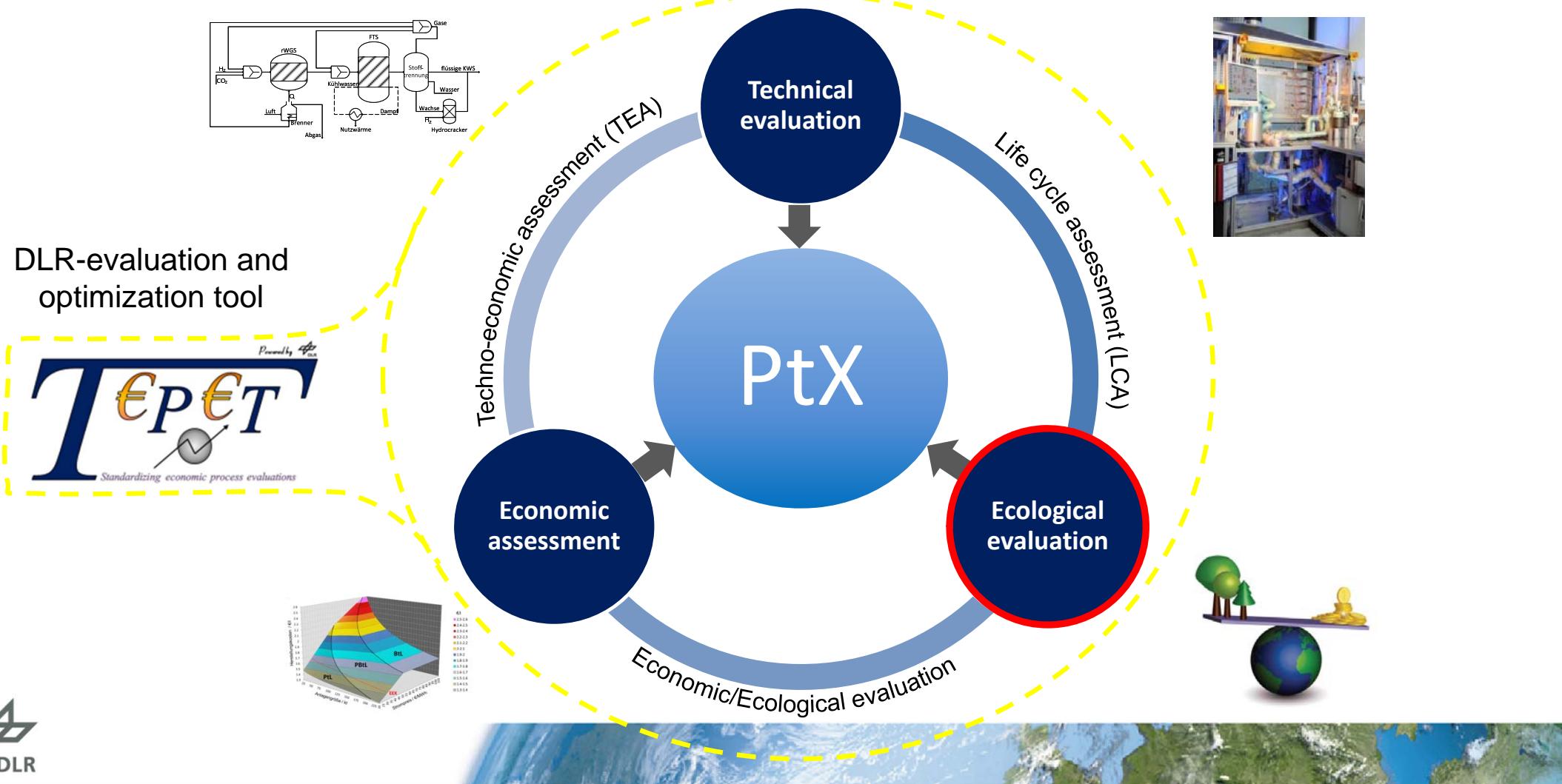


Prices of 2016 are not going to last – only year specific costs are comparable



source: FCHJU, "Development of water electrolysis in the EU", Feb 2014

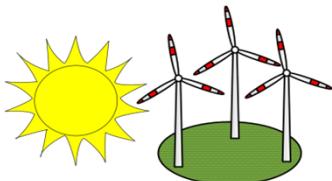
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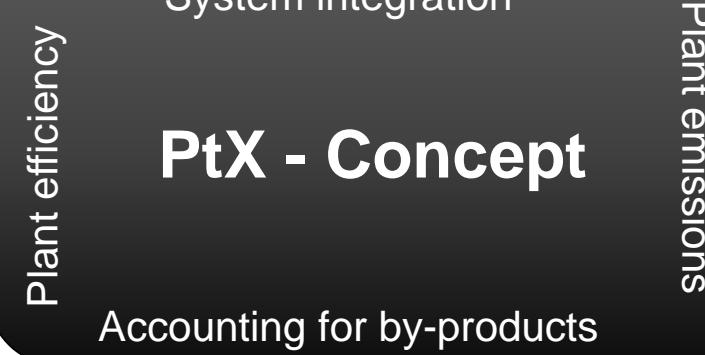
Example: PtL – GHG-Footprint Calculation

Carbon footprint of used raw materials and energy sources defines carbon footprint of product!

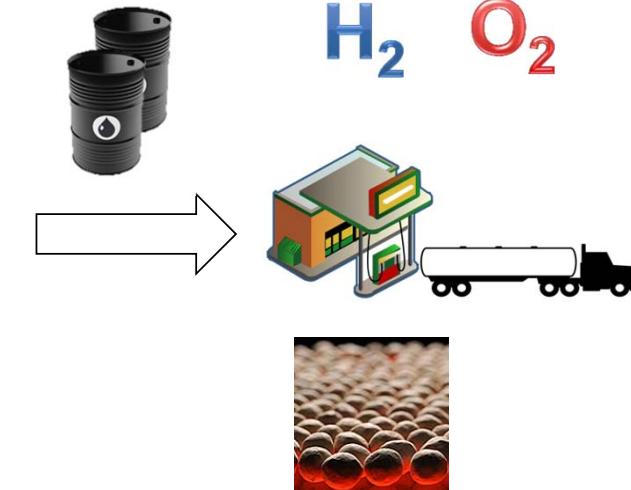
Power footprint



Black box



Footprint of products:
Fuel/heat/H₂ etc.



Carbon dioxide footprint

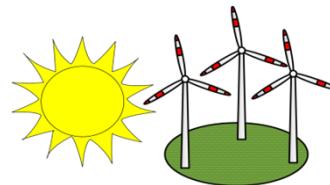


$$CO_2 - Abatement \ costs \left[\frac{\text{€}}{t_{CO_2}} \right] = \frac{Difference \ in \ fuel/heat/H_2 \ costs}{CO_2 - emission \ reduction}$$



Example: PtL – GHG-Footprint boundary Conditions

Power



Carbon dioxide



Oxygen



Functional unit	[kg _{CO2eq} /MWh] ^a	[kg _{CO2eq} /t] ^b	[kg _{CO2eq} /t] ^c
Low boundary	10	5	100
Average	272.5	77.5	250
High boundary	535	150	400

^a Low boundary value for pure wind electricity taken from [1]. High value corresponds to the actual CO₂-footprint of the German electricity sector [2].

^b Based on own calculations. The carbon footprint represents emissions arising from sequestration of CO₂ from flue gas. Flue gas from cement industry and coal fired power plants were investigated. The probably fossil nature of the flue gas was not taken into account. Low/high value: energy demand of CO₂-sequestration from cement plant/ coal fired power plant is covered with wind energy/German electricity mix.

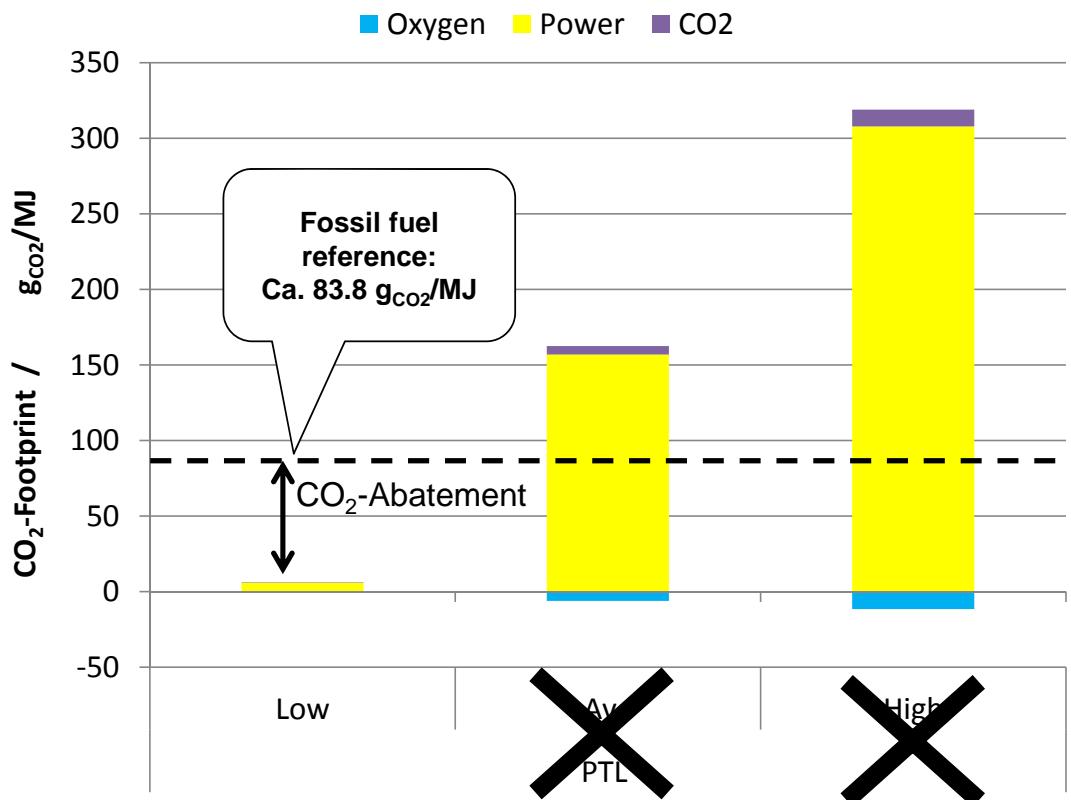
^c Taken from ProBas databank [1]. Low/high value due to different electricity sources.

[1] Umweltbundesamt, "Prozessorientierte Basisdaten für Umweltmanagementsysteme," <http://www.probas.umweltbundesamt.de/php/index.php>.

[2] Umweltbundesamt, "Entwicklung der spezifischen Kohlendioxid-Emissionen des deutschen Strommix in den Jahren 1990 – 2016," Dessau-Roßlau, 2017.



Example: PtL – From CO₂-Footprint to CO₂-Abatement costs



PtL-concepts viable when using renewable power only!



CO₂-Abatement costs:

Case1 – Current State:

Price of fossil kerosene:	ca. 0.5 €/l
Grid Power price:	83.7 €/MWh
Plant capacity:	107 kt/a

Case2 – Pressure on Fossil Fuels:

Price of fossil kerosene:	ca. 1 €/l
Renewable Power price:	30 €/MWh
Plant capacity:	1,000 kt/a

CO₂-Abatement costs € / t_{CO₂}

Case	PtL-Low
1	650
2	92.3

Current Price of CO₂-European Emission Allowances:
ca. 5 - 8 €/t_{CO₂}

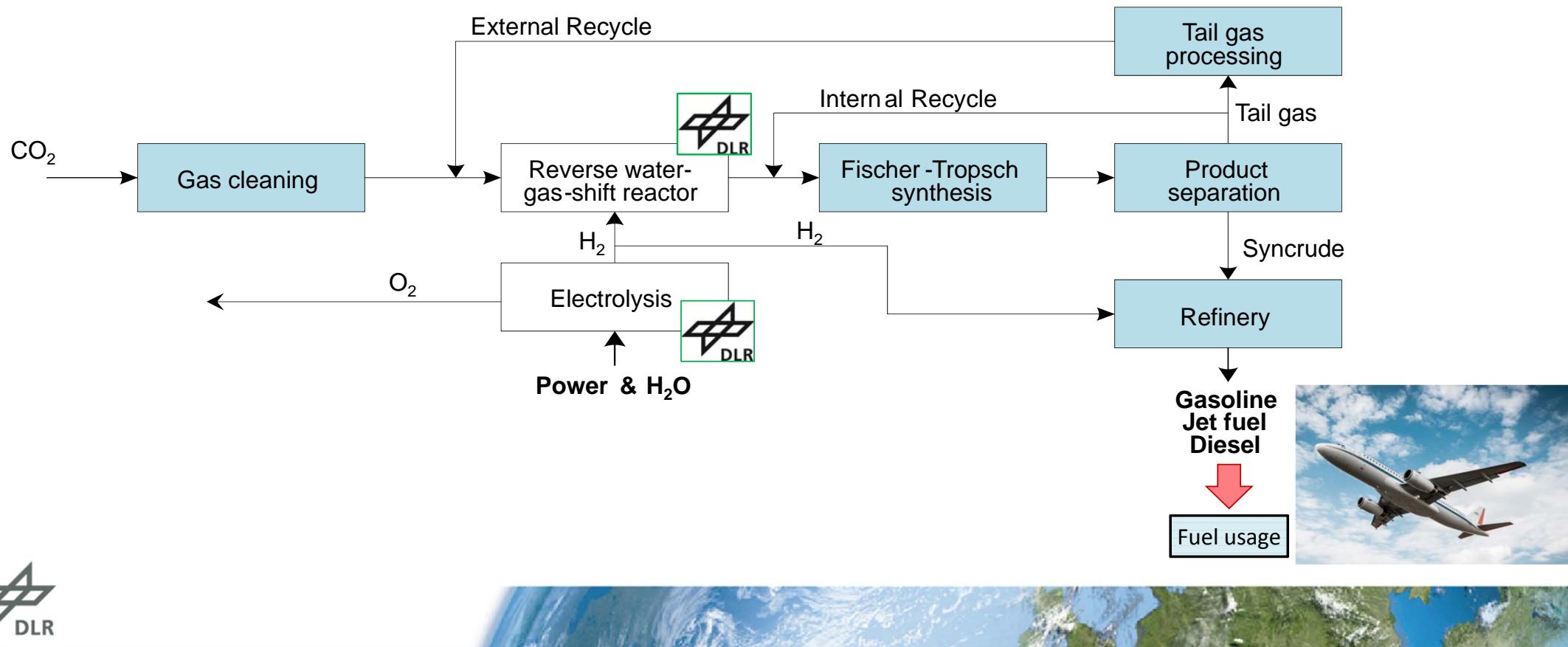
4. Summary & Outlook

- PtX is required to meet the aviation contribution (and more) for the German climate protection targets
- Volatile renewable power sources have large (theoretical) potential in Germany
- Coping with fluctuating power input is key challenge for the PtX concept
- Viability of PtX concepts highly depends on GHG footprint and GHG abatement costs
- Evaluating PtX concepts requires standardization and common agreement on the methodology
- Transparent and open published DLR methodology for cost estimation and GHG-footprint calculation offers a starting point for future unified technology assessment
- PtX R&D, Demo, Market Introduction into sustainable aviation need to start NOW



Outlook – PTL demonstration for sustainable Aviation

Techno-economic assessment



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