

Hy24, Mirova, CDPQ and Technip Energies join forces to make record €200 million investment in green hydrogen pioneer Hy2gen AG

- World's largest private investment in green hydrogen
- Capital will be deployed on e-fuels to decarbonise industry and transportation sectors

Wiesbaden, Germany, 17. February 2022 – Hy2gen AG, the green hydrogen investment platform, today announces the successful completion of a €200 million, investment round. The capital will be used for the construction of facilities in several geographies including Europe, producing green hydrogen-based fuels – or "e-fuels" – for maritime and ground transport, aviation and industrial applications. The investment, which is the largest private green hydrogen-focused capital raise to date¹, is led by Hy24 with Mirova, CDPQ and strategic investor, Technip Energies.

Cyril Dufau-Sansot, CEO of Hy2gen said: "As early as 2021, we were looking for the best possible combination of financial and strategic investors to build e-fuel production facilities. These have the potential to decarbonise entire industries and transport sectors. We are now very pleased that all parties have sealed the largest investment in this segment."

Pierre-Etienne Franc, CEO of Hy24 said: "The magic combination for success in Hydrogen scale up is sizable projects in strategic basins, strong stakeholder support from off-take to project financing and execution, and the leadership of expert teams for development and steering. This is what Hy2gen has successfully gathered around the table. This first investment made by our Clean H2 Fund allows Hy24 to step into its role as a catalyst for hydrogen-based projects at scale to foster the energy transition."

Hy2gen, founded in 2017, is a pioneer in the electrolysis of green hydrogen and its derivatives. The company is one of the leading players in the green hydrogen industry, with 880MW in planning and construction and a further 12GW of projects in development.

¹ Based on a screening of equity capital raises by unlisted companies with a core focus on green hydrogen production on PitchBook as of February 6th 2022

Hy24, the world's largest clean hydrogen infrastructure platform, is a joint venture between Ardian, a world-leading private investment house, and FiveT Hydrogen, an investment manager specialising purely in clean hydrogen investments. The Clean H2 Infra Fund managed by Hy24 with €1 billion raised, intends to unlock strategic and large-scale projects under development to accelerate the scaling up of hydrogen markets.

Raphaël Lance, Head of Mirova's Energy Transition Infrastructure Funds said: "Mirova is committed to financing sustainable solutions for the energy transition. We are convinced that green hydrogen has a key role to play in the decarbonisation of the industry and are proud to partner with Hy2gen and support their ambition to become a key player in the deployment of this energy of the future."

Emmanuel Jaclot, Executive Vice-President and Head of Infrastructure at CDPQ, said: "CDPQ is delighted to take part in our first green hydrogen transaction alongside trailblazers of this promising vector of energy, one which has the potential to accelerate the decarbonisation of highly polluting industries. With this investment in Hy2gen, we demonstrate our determination to bring concrete and pragmatic solutions to address today's environmental challenges."

Arnaud Pieton, Chief Executive Officer of Technip Energies, stated: "We are partnering and investing in Hy2gen, a first mover developer in the green hydrogen value chain. This will further strengthen our key market positioning in green hydrogen and its derivatives. This investment confirms the consistency of our partnership choices to deliver on our strategy. We look forward to contributing our engineering capabilities and our proven project delivery expertise to the concretization and acceleration of Hy2gen projects."

Nomura Greentech acted as exclusive financial adviser to Hy2gen. Société Générale acted as exclusive financial adviser to Hy24 and Mirova. Legal advisors included Baker Tilly acting for Hy2gen, Bird & Bird acting for Hy24 and Mirova, Jones Day acting for CDPQ, and Clifford Chance acting for Technip Energies.

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About Hy2gen AG

Based in Wiesbaden, Germany, Hy2gen AG develops, finances, builds and operates plants for the production of green hydrogen and hydrogen-based e-fuels worldwide. These products are used to create climate neutral and competitive fuels and industrial solutions. The first plants are being built in France, Norway, Canada, Germany, and the USA. Hy2gen's goal is to become the market leader in the production of green hydrogen and green e-fuels for mobility, agriculture, and industry. Founded in 2017, the company's first-mover advantage is underlined by a current project pipeline in planning and construction of 880MW and a project pipeline of over 12GW in development. For the first rounds of financing, Trafigura and other private investors have already invested in Hy2gen.

https://hy2gen.com

About Hy24

Hy24 was created by Ardian and FiveT Hydrogen to manage the Clean H2 Infra Fund, the world's largest fund exclusively dedicated to clean hydrogen infrastructure solutions. It was founded by industrial champions Air Liquide, TotalEnergies, VINCI Concessions, Plug Power, Baker Hughes and Chart Industries and joined by major institutional investor AXA. The Fund first LPs beyond the founding ones include CCR, LOTTE Chemicals, Snam, Enagas & GRTgaz, and ADP, Ballard, EDF and Schaeffler. With strong industrial expertise at its core, the platform has the unique capacity to accelerate the scaling up of hydrogen solutions along the whole value chain: production, conversion, storage and supply and usage. The platform will support large early stage and strategic projects to become essential energy infrastructure.

www.hy24partners.com

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Technip Energies is a leading Engineering & Technology company for the energy transition, with leadership positions in Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG), hydrogen and ethylene as well as growing market positions in blue and green hydrogen, sustainable chemistry and CO₂ management. The company benefits from its robust project delivery model supported by extensive technology, products and services offering. Operating in 34 countries, our 15,000 people are fully committed to bringing our client's innovative projects to life, breaking boundaries to accelerate the energy

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