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## Power-to-Liquids as a new Energy Option Potentials and Difficulties/ Uncertainties





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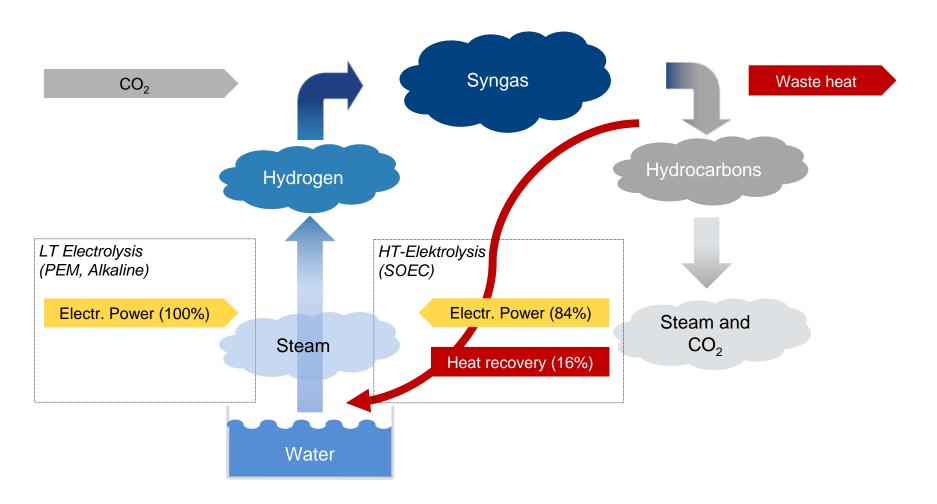


## An enormous Potential: PtL & PtG based on

High Temperature Steam Electrolysis

#### Patented efficiency advantage



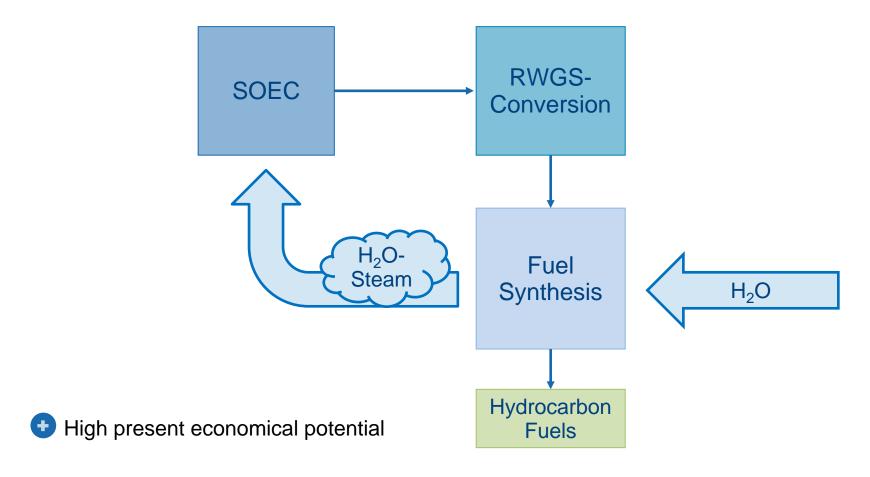


High Temperature Steam Electrolysis increases the process efficiency significantly. PtL: 50% → 70%, PtG: 55% → 80% (approximate values, based on LHV)

#### + Production method #1 Power-to-Liquids



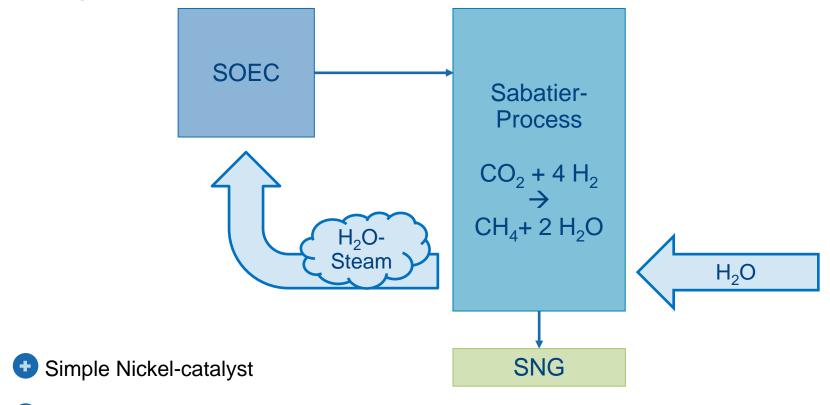
sunfire's Power-to-Liquids process consists of three components: SOEC (Solid Oxide Electrolysis Cell), RWGS-conversion and fuel synthesis



### + Production method #1Power-to-Gas



Methanation is a relatively simple process. The increased efficiency due to the SOEC is still applicable. However, the economical potential of SNG is lower than for synthetic liquid fuels due to the cheap and still long time available natural gas.



• No complex product separation

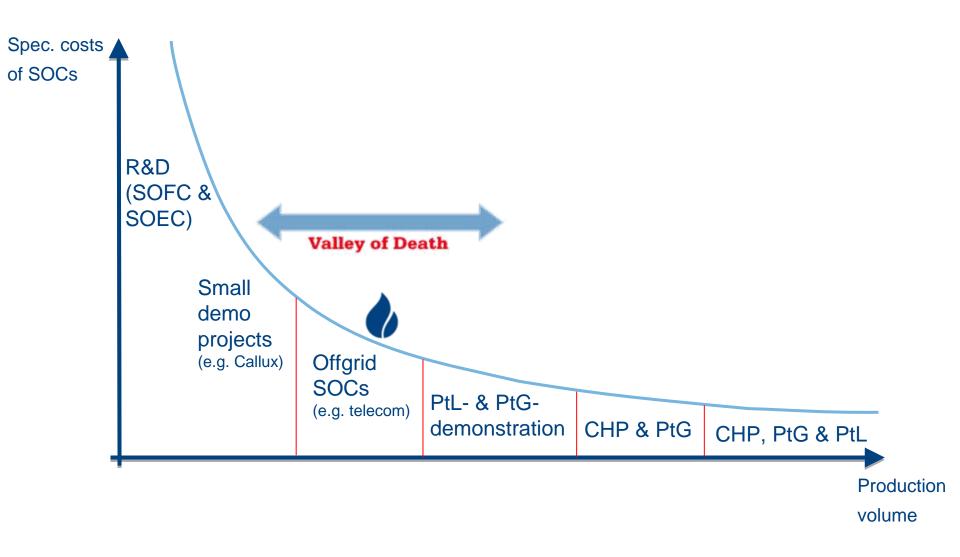
#### Power-to-Liquids as a new Energy Option



# A challenging process: sunfire's Road-to-Market

#### + Road-to-Market or "How to overcome the Valley of Death"

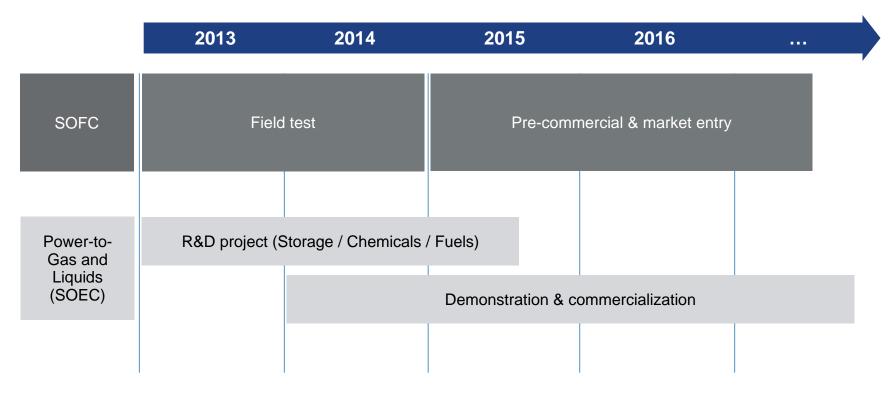




## + Road-to-MarketStrategy and timeline



	Gas-to-Power			Power-to-Gas	Power-to-Liquids	
Markets	microCHP	Off-grid	smallCHP	Storage	Chemicals	Fuels
	1-2.5 kW	>2.5 kW	>25 kW	>2 MW	>10 MW	>50 MW



## + PtL Demo Plant Fuel1Storage / Chemicals / Fuels



#### **R&D** project

- Construction of a Power-to-Liquids pilot plant targeting the verification of the chemical process & the development of a SOEC prototype
- Government-funded by Federal Ministry of Education and Research
- Project costs: € 12m (sf: € 8m)
- Project duration: May 2012 June 2015 (start of operation in 2014)

#### Project consortium















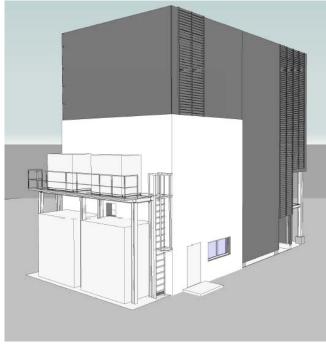












Power-to-Liquids demo plant Fuel1 in Dresden

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Groundbreaking for demo plant at 22<sup>nd</sup> of July 2013 & construction progress after three months.



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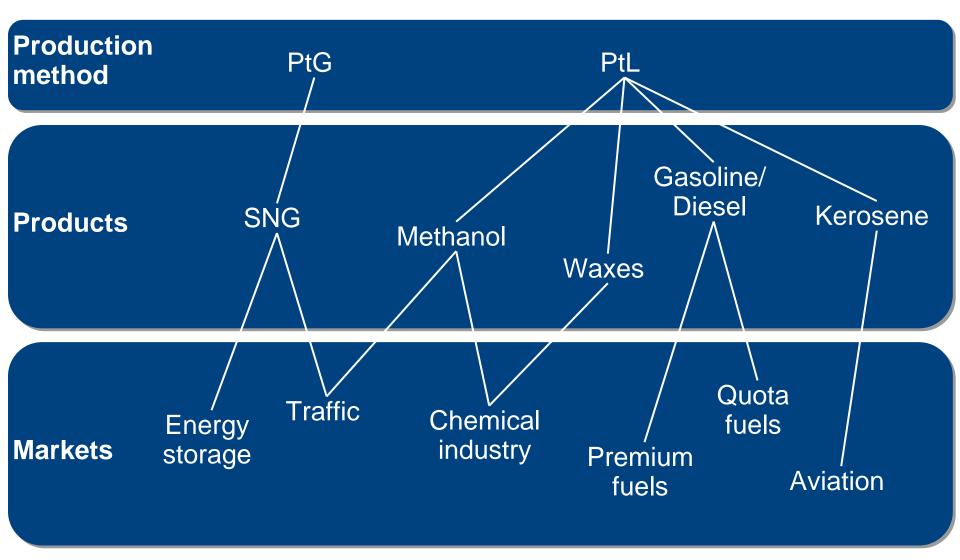




# Still (as well) a political uncertainty: Markets & Willingness-to-Pay

#### Markets for PtG and PtL

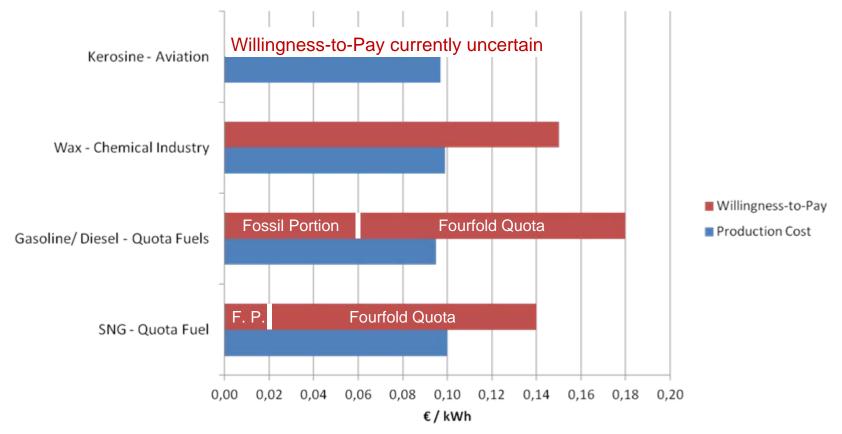




#### + Power-to-Liquids Willingness-to-Pay vs. cost



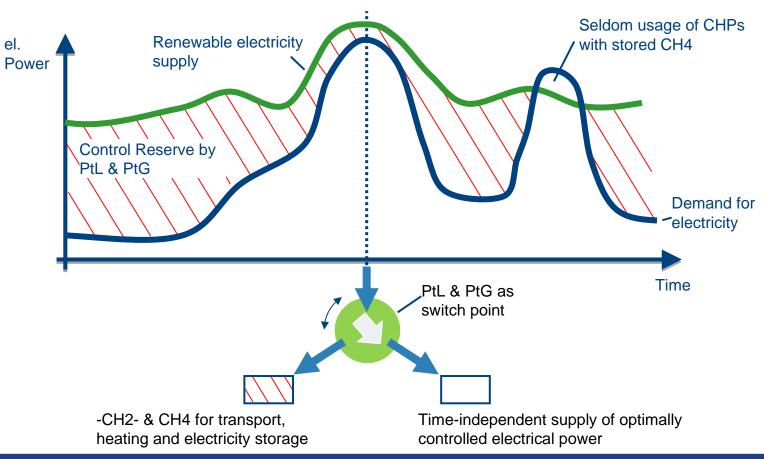
The willingness to pay for sunfire-fuels is clearly higher than 0.10 €/kWh(LHV). The reason is the obligatory addition of renewable fuels to fossil ones with respect to 2009/28/EG – as well as the intended fourfold crediting of PtX-fuels to this quota (see source at the bottom).



Source of proposed amending: http://ec.europa.eu/clima/policies/transport/fuel/docs/com\_2012\_595\_en.pdf Rowize tGrblothids as a new Energy Option /

+ An enhanced Business Model for the "Energiewende":
 PtL and PtG as economical Positive Control Reserve





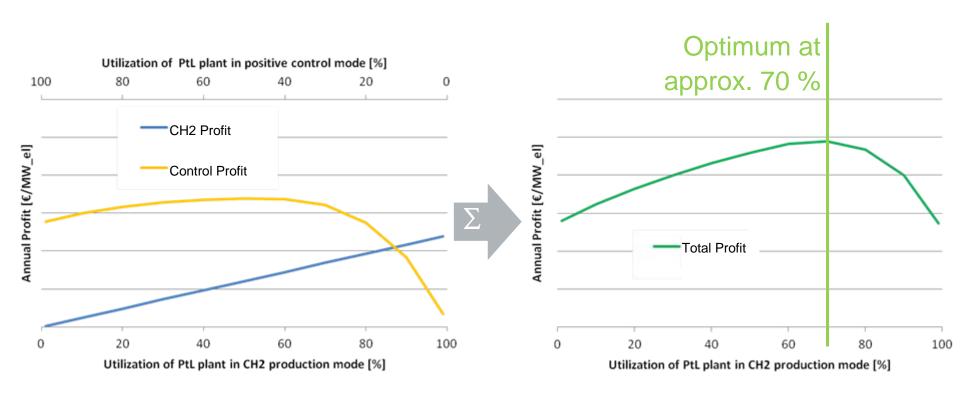
The renewable electricity "production" should always exceed the demand for electricity. The deviation can then be balanced by e.g. PtL and PtG plants.

The volitional excess-electricity will be utilized for 4 – 5 €ct/kWh and converted to products with a sufficient willingness-to-pay (e.g. liquid renewable fuels, clean synthetic waxes, SNG for CHPs, etc.).

The money for current gas and oil imports is invested into an integrated, cross-sectional electricity storage market and hence the "Energiewende".

### + An enhanced Business Model for the "Energiewende": PtL and PtG as economical Positive Control Reserve





The generally positive effect of PtL and PtG for

- 1. A robust electricity grid and hence supply
- 2. 100% renewable primary energy supply in all other CH-based energy sectors also enables the plant to increase its total economical profit.



## Who is sunfire? Company facts & partners

#### Management and company facts





#### Senior Management

Carl Berninghausen (CEO), EBS, Karibu, Thermea, e.a. Christian v. Olshausen (CTO), TU Dresden, P&G, Daimler Fuel Cells

Business Administration	Business Development	Stacks	Systems	Fuel
Nils Aldag	<b>Björn Erik Mai</b>	Mario Heinrich	<b>Dr. Oliver Posdziech</b>	Dietmar Rüger
EBS, Desertec	TU Berlin,	HTW Dresden,	TU Dresden,	TU Dresden,
Foundation	Webasto, staxera	Audi, staxera	EBZ	Choren Industries

History

sunfire founded in 2010 (staxera 2005), staxera merged into sunfire in 2012, Bilfinger entry in 2012

**Employees** 

53 (47 engineers and technicians, 6 business graduates)

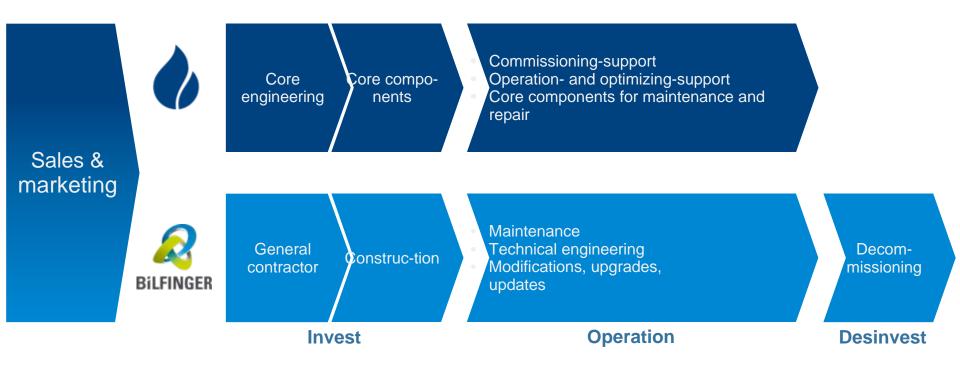
Infrastructure

Test environment for stacks, systems and PtL & PtG

The sunfire team has developed one of the most robust and cost competitive SOFC-stacks.

## + Cooperation Bilfinger/sunfire –a perfect fit for PtL & PtG





Corporate sales & marketing but individual focus on core competencies

sunfire: Engineering & core components

Bilfinger: General contractor & construction

#### Thank you for your attention





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