

Key aim

Creating a cross-border market for renewable hydrogen.

The goal is to establish a green hydrogen market on both demand and supply sides, making it a competitive energy source. Industry leaders from all three countries will develop pilot projects to produce up to **5,000 tonnes of renewable hydrogen annually** for storage, distribution, and use.

Around 20% of the hydrogen produced is expected to be traded between participating countries, fostering a regional hydrogen market.

Consortium partners

Over 120 participants from 37 project partners are directly involved in the tasks and activities of the NAHV: companies, universities, institutes and other public entities

Lead partner: HSE, Slovenia's largest electricity producer and trader, largest producer of electricity from renewable sources

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About the NAHV

The NAHV is the first transnational initiative of this kind under the Horizon Europe programme, supported by the Clean Hydrogen Partnership.

Target territories: **Croatia, Friuli-Venezia Giulia (Italy) and Slovenia**



A grant of **€25 million** awarded by Clean Hydrogen Partnership

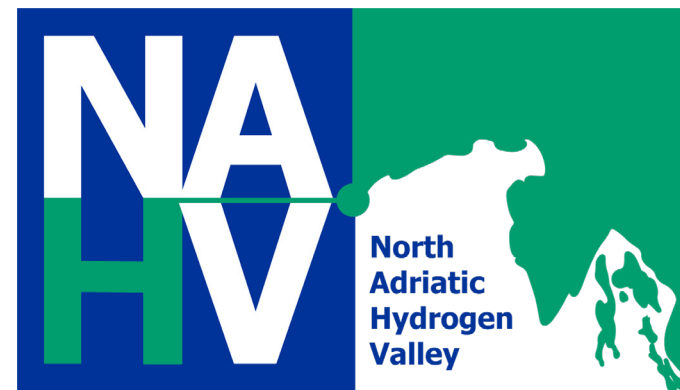
37 partners in a consortium lead by HSE

Launched in Portorož-Portorose, Slovenia, in September 2023

Duration: 72 months

Distinctive ambition

The NAHV's ambition is the creation of a **hydrogen-based economic, social and industrial ecosystem based on the capacity of the quadruple helix actors.**



Evolving a transnational ecosystem with renewable hydrogen



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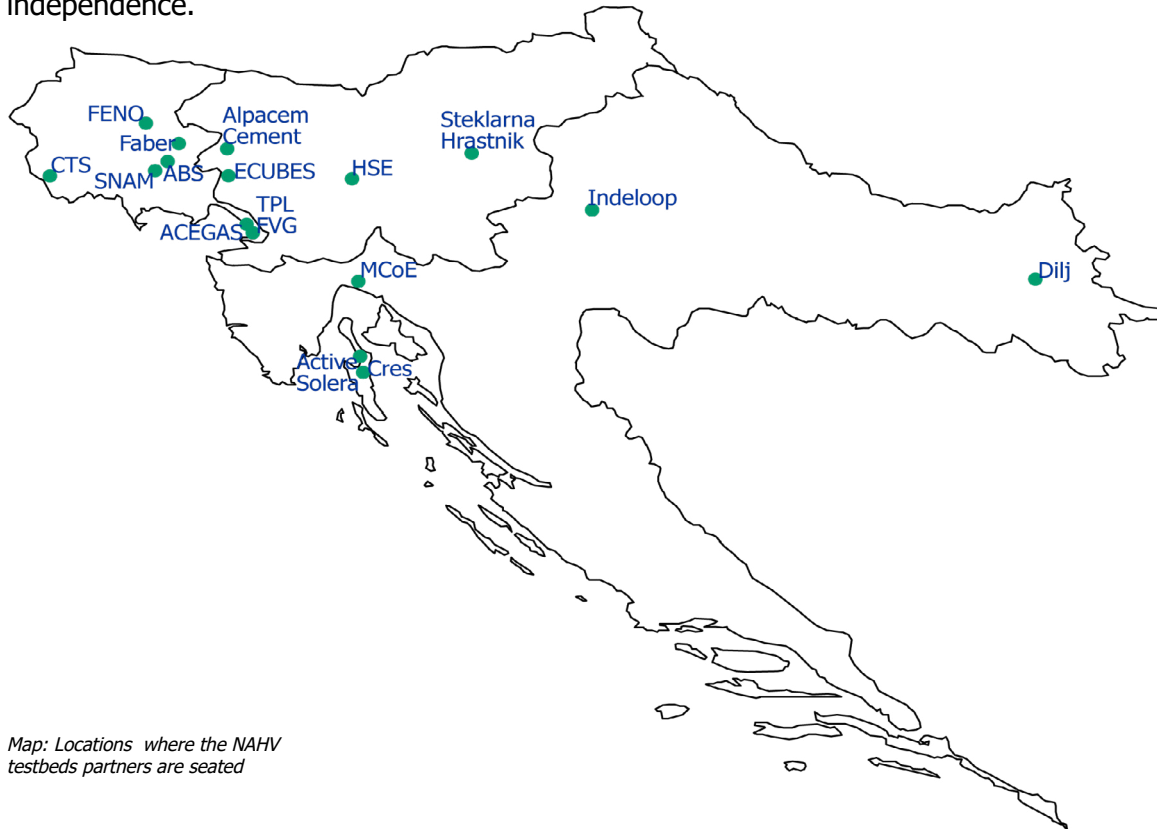
Testbed projects

The project has activated **17 testbed applications** in their related ecosystems, clustered in three main pillars – the hard-to-abate industries, energy and transport sectors.

These act as **real-life cases for piloting global hydrogen markets**, moving from TRL 6 at the beginning to TRL 8 by the end of the project.

Four fuel cell applications in the energy and transport sectors will be demonstrated.

Testbeds will then be scaled up to the industrial level as a replicable model, contributing to the decarbonisation of the three territories by harnessing renewables to improve system resilience, security of supply, and energy independence.



Map: Locations where the NAHV testbeds partners are seated

Renewable Hydrogen Testbed Applications

For industry & hard-to-abate sectors

Objectives

- implement and validate new solutions and testbed applications for renewable hydrogen valorisation in the industry sector;
- cover the complete value chain of renewable hydrogen from production to distribution, storage and end-use;
- support the decarbonisation of the industry sector, with particular focus on steel, glass industry and many other hard-to-abate companies, by replicable testbed plants distributed across all the three target involved territories.

For the energy sector

Objectives

- implement and validate new technologies and testbed applications for the energy sector's renewable hydrogen valorisation;
- support the decarbonisation of the energy sector applications, with particular focus on hydrogen generation sets, backup-power systems, electric supply of infrastructures and gas grid injection in blending mixtures;
- cover the complete value chain of renewable hydrogen from production to distribution, storage and end-use by replicable testbeds distributed across all the three target involved territories;
- develop a FCH application

For the transport sector

Objectives

- support the decarbonisation of the transport sector applications, with particular focus on waterborne applications, public transport fleets, and private vehicles;
- implement and validate testbed applications for the transport sector's renewable hydrogen valorisation, also enabling synergies with other sector of application and production;
- cover the complete value chain of renewable hydrogen from production to distribution, storage and end-use by replicable testbeds;
- develop three FCH applications.