



Synthetic methanol for shipping decarbonisation

# GENERAL PROJECT PRESENTATION

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# THE POSEIDON PROJECT



**Coordinator:** Research institute EIFER based in Karlsruhe, Germany



**POSEIDON long project name:** Propulsion Of Ships with E-methanol  
In favour of the Decarbonisation Of Naval transport

**Total budget:** 12,6 M€

**Funding:** The European Commission is co-funding the project. Swiss partner WinGD receives funding from the the Swiss State Secretariat for Education, Research and Innovation



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**48 months** from September 2023 to August 2027



**19 partners** from France, Germany, Greece, Italy, Spain, Sweden and Switzerland



The project is co-funded with nearly **€10 million** by the European Commission



2 pilot sites in Valencia and Thessaloniki to demonstrate the value chains based on e-methanol as fuel for shipping

# POSEIDON PARTNERS



**8 industrial partners:** EDF, ICODOS, Fincantieri, Isotta Fraschini Motori - IFM, Winterthur Gas & Diesel - WinGD, Global Omnium, CAO Hellas Natural Chemicals, CAO Hellas Macedonia

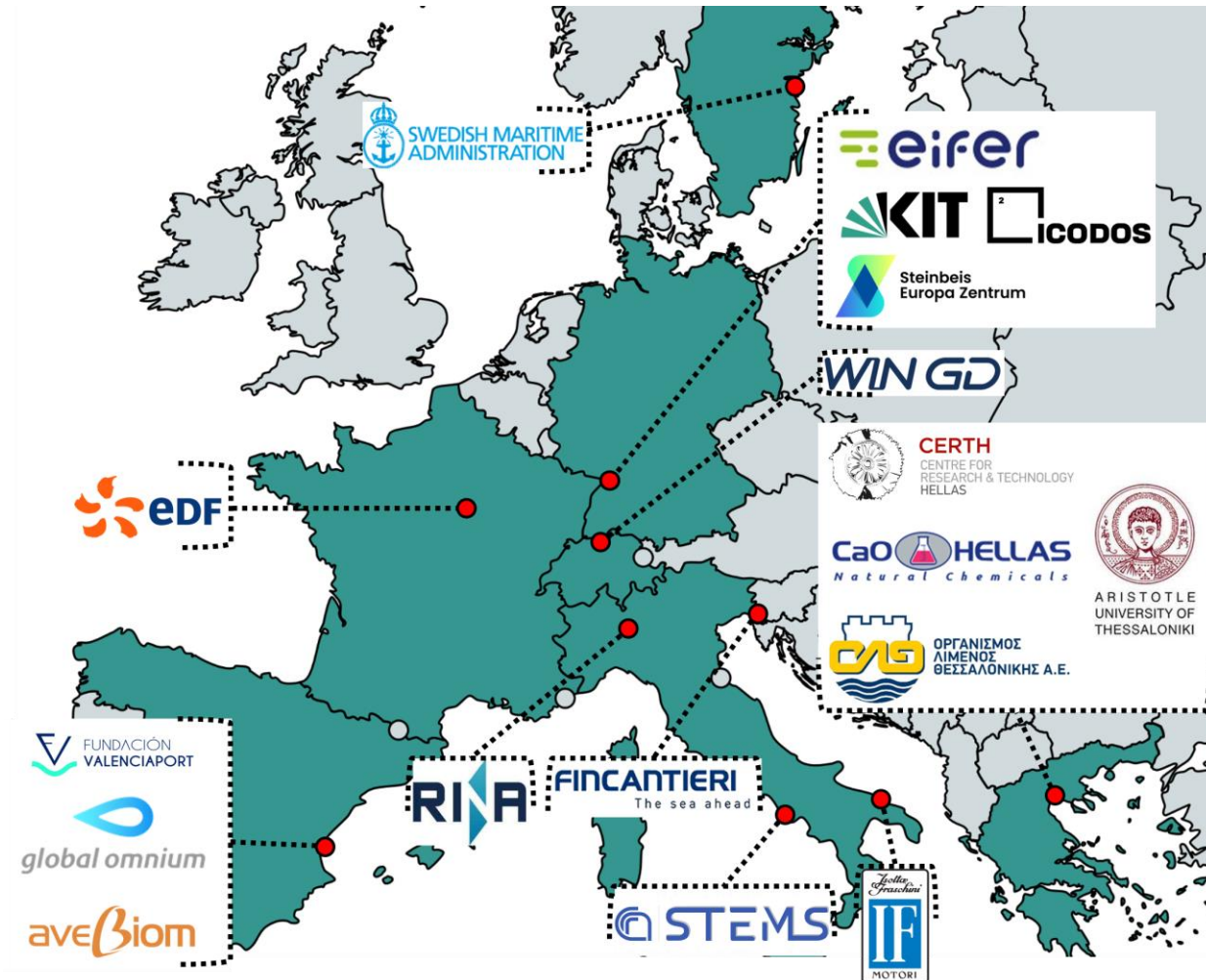
**5 research partners:** EIFER, KIT, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, CERTH, CNR-STEMS

**2 ports:** Fundación Valenciaport, Port of Thessaloniki – ThPA S.A.

**2 business support organisations:** RINA, Steinbeis Innovation gGmbH

**1 association:** AVEBIOM

**1 public agency:** Swedish Maritime Administration



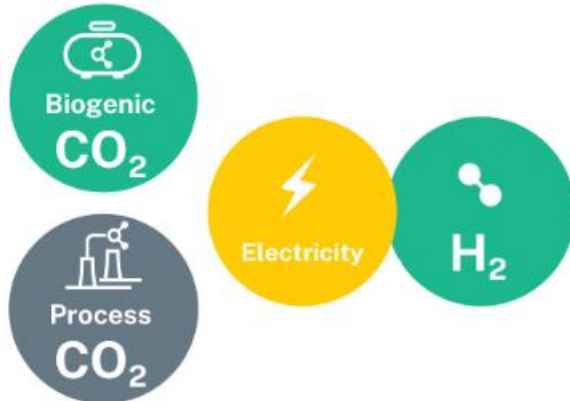
The overall goal of the POSEIDON project is to prepare the implementation of local value chains based on e-methanol as fuel for shipping in the ports of Valencia and Thessaloniki.

- **1<sup>st</sup> objective** is to build and test an innovative TRL7 e-methanol prototype plant based on a novel concept including CO<sub>2</sub> capture and filtration and production of renewable e-methanol,
- **2<sup>nd</sup> objective** is to establish two communities of practice in Thessaloniki and Valencia to collect feedback and strengthen collaboration at local level,
- **3<sup>rd</sup> objective** is to assess impacts of the value chain implementation through detailed technical, economic, environmental and social assessments,
- **4<sup>th</sup> objective** is to develop local roadmaps outlining the steps to be taken by stakeholders to implement the value chain in Valencia and Thessaloniki after project end,
- **5<sup>th</sup> objective** is to regularly share project activities, progress and achievements with academia, industry, policy makers and other relevant stakeholders to foster public acceptance.

## E-methanol for shipping value Chain

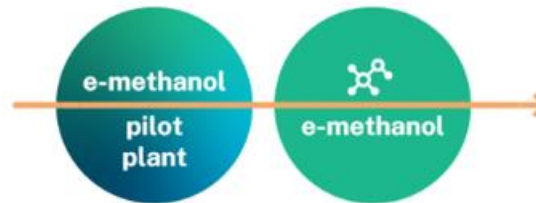
### FEEDSTOCK

Two CO<sub>2</sub> sources



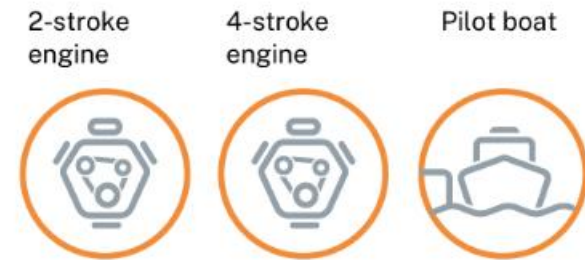
### PRODUCTION

Power-to-e-methanol plant



### END USE

Use of e-methanol in engines



Two CO<sub>2</sub> valorisation routes will be explored: biogenic CO<sub>2</sub> in Valencia and process CO<sub>2</sub> in Thessaloniki



**Use case Valencia – biogenic CO<sub>2</sub> from wastewater treatment plant**



<b>Port</b>	<b>Valencia</b>
<b>Sea basin</b>	Mediterranean Sea
<b>Port's area</b>	5.6 km <sup>2</sup>
<b>Yearly cargo traffic</b>	79 million tons (2022)
<b>Direct employment</b>	17.973

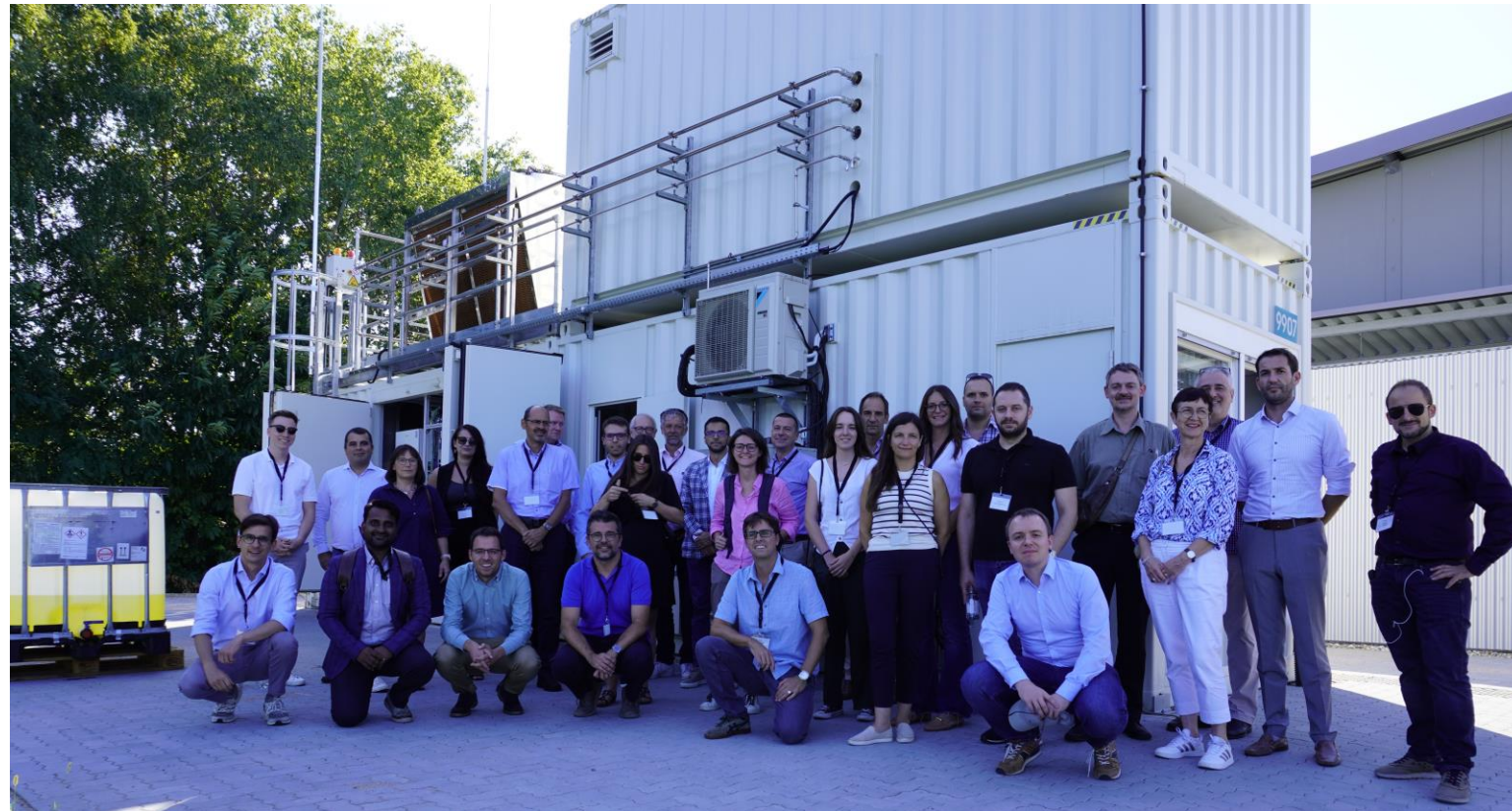


**Use case Thessaloniki - process CO<sub>2</sub> from lime plant**



<b>Port</b>	<b>Thessaloniki</b>
<b>Sea basin</b>	Aegean Sea
<b>Port's area</b>	1.5 km <sup>2</sup>
<b>Yearly cargo traffic</b>	7.3 million tons (2023)
<b>Direct employment</b>	525

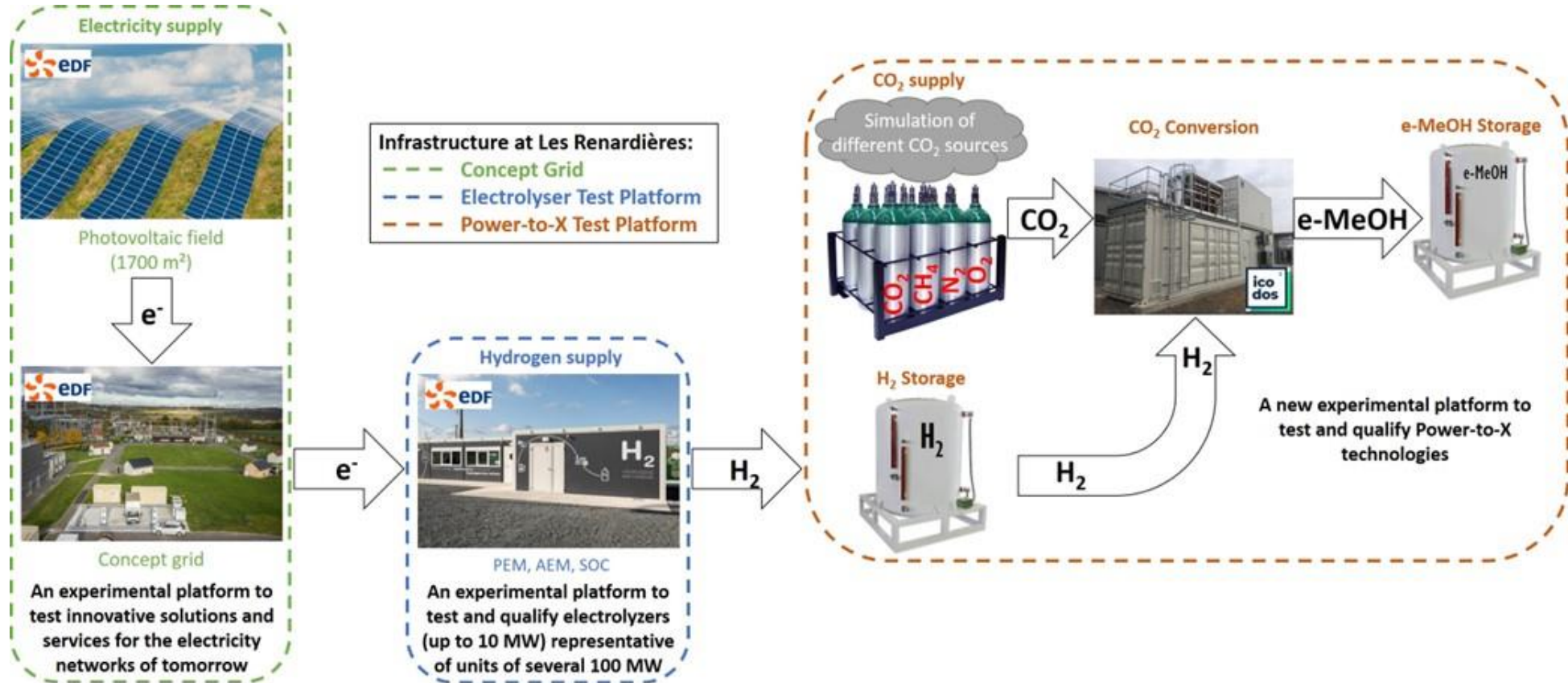
Development of a TRL7 power-to-methanol prototype plant and demonstration in test platform



*POSEIDON consortium in front of proof-of-concept methanol plant developed by partner KIT and licensed to partner ICODOS, installed at the Energy Lab of KIT in Karlsruhe, Germany'*



Development of a power-to-methanol prototype plant and demonstration in test platform



EDF test platform to be adapted and used to test the e-methanol prototype from ICODOS

Testing of produced e-methanol in 2-stroke and 4-stroke engine and pilot boat



2-stroke engine



4-stroke engine



Pilot boat

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