

DEME | Emission reduction challenges and the role of methanol



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Key Activities OVERVIEW



DREDGING



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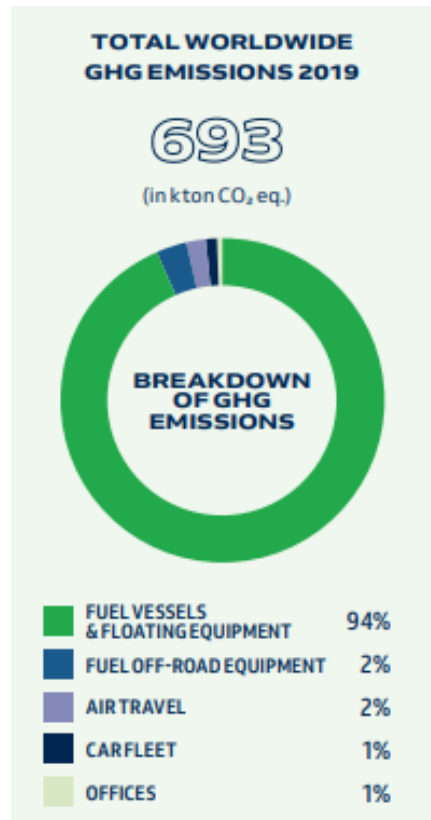




Key Challenges



2. Key Challenges



- **DEME sustainability goals**
 - 2030 target: 40% reduction relative to 2008
 - 2050 target: Climate-neutral organisation
- **Fleet most significant part of GHG emissions**

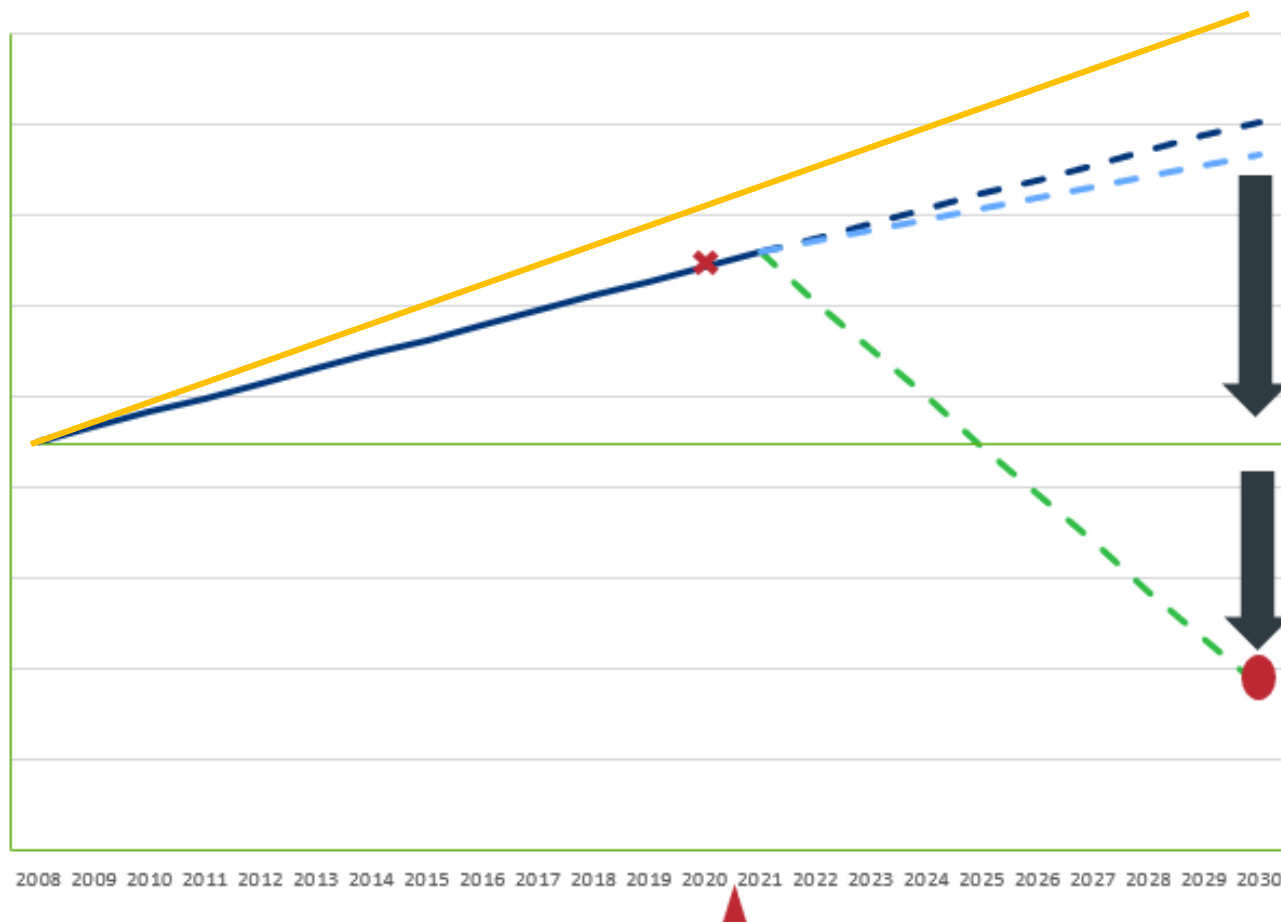


2. Key Challenges

GHG: Efficiency and fuel trends



Business-As-Usual
Efficiency
Alternative fuel
Target



2. Key Challenges

Policy compliance



➤ Worldwide coastal operations with ocean going vessels

➤ Sustainability: UN SDGs

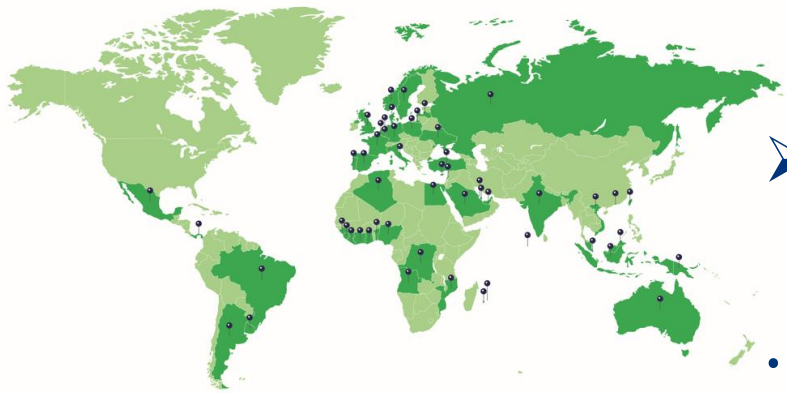


➤ IMO: NO_x and SO_x (ECAs) and T.CO₂/T.NM (?)

➤ Regional: EU Green Deal, China, ...

➤ Further localisation: EU Stage V for inland waterways, ports, ...

➤ Carbon tax regimes



... more to come, more are needed ... synergies?

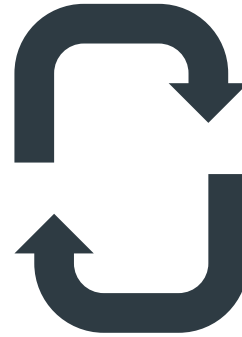


2. Key Challenges

Fleet specific



- Purpose-built vessels
- Combustion engines range kW to MW
- Large vessel lifespan: Newbuilt & retrofit



- Emissions
- Technical
- Commercial

Fuel options





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FUEL OPTIONS METHANOL



3. Fuel options

FOSSIL-

- Diesel
- LNG
- Methanol
- Ammonia
- Hydrogen

BIO-BASED

- Biodiesel
- Bio-LNG
- Bio-Methanol

PtL-BASED

- PtL-Diesel
- PtL-LNG
- PtL-Methanol
- PtL-Ammonia
- PtL-Hydrogen

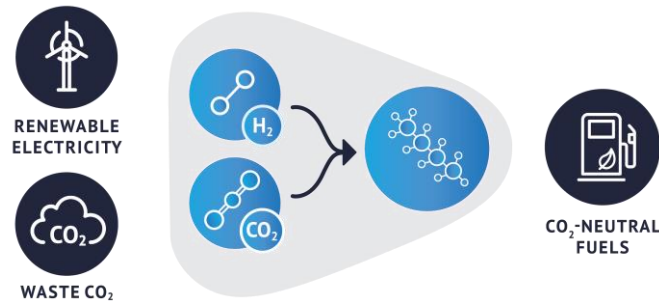


3. Methanol - EMISSIONS

Why methanol?

► GHG emissions:

- Biomethanol from biogas and/or glycerol: large variety of feedstocks
- PtL-methanol using renewable electricity and carbon capture



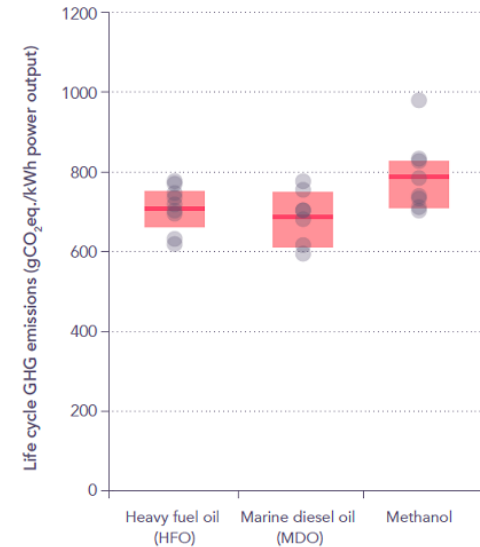
► Local pollutants:

- Reduction local pollutants (NO_x, PM, PN, SO_x) without aftertreatment

Why not methanol?

► GHG emissions:

- No CO₂ reduction on a well-to-wake basis when operating on fossil methanol
- PtL-methanol production in pilot phase, with maturation of Direct Air Capture of CO₂ required to close the cycle by 2050



► Local pollutants:

- Formaldehyde and methanol slip emissions are a point of attention



3. Methanol - TECHNICAL

Why methanol?

- ▶ Most convenient way to transport and store renewable energy (compared to LNG, ammonia and hydrogen)
- ▶ Vessel technology (almost) mature
- ▶ Engine technology can quickly mature, with real-life demonstrator cases and continuous R&D effort
- ▶ Dual-fuel technology enabler to future-proof ships
- ▶ Feasible for retrofit

Why not methanol?

- ▶ Considerable deadweight impact
- ▶ Impact on vessel layout and operational procedures, but manageable
- ▶ Limited commercial availability of methanol engines
- ▶ Competition from LNG, biofuels, ammonia and hydrogen as alternative dual-fuel technology



3. Methanol - COMMERCIAL

Why methanol?

- ▶ PtL-methanol promising contender to decarbonize shipping
- ▶ Manageable impact on CAPEX

Why not methanol?

- ▶ Current limited availability of climate-neutral methanol at considerable additional cost
- ▶ Uncertain evolution of climate-neutral fuel availability and cost
- ▶ Additional investment with uncertain benefits

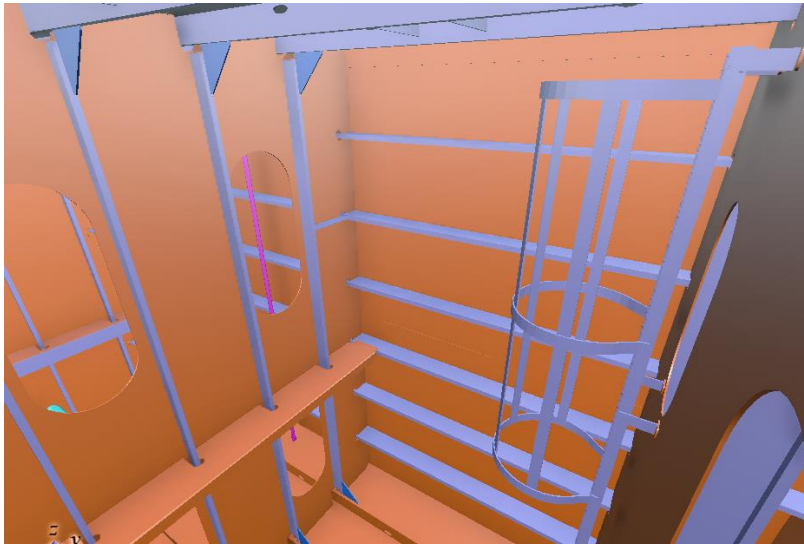




METHANOL ON BOARD



4. Methanol on board

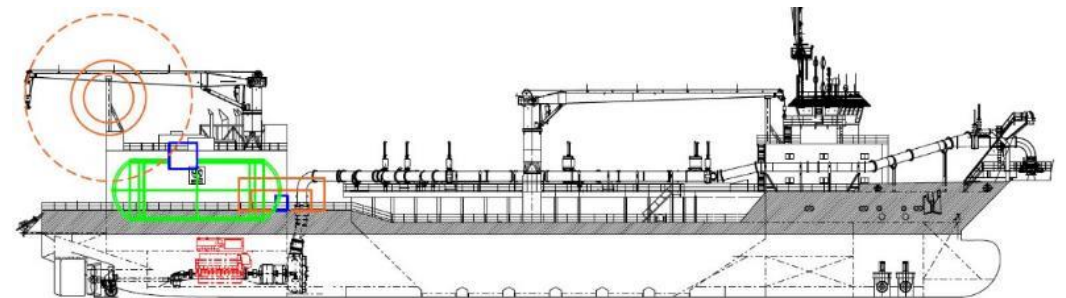


► Storage of methanol

- At atmospheric pressure and ambient temperature
- In structural tanks with zinc coating
- Cofferdams required but adjacent to sideshell allowed below the waterline

► Low-flashpoint fuel

- DEME has proven that implementation of low-flashpoint fuels is feasible, even in our purpose-built vessels full of equipment
- Hazardous zones (“ATEX”) on deck with (manageable) impact on vessel operational procedures



Dual-fuel (LNG) TSHD “Scheldt River”



4. Methanol on board



► Dual-fuel engine technology

- DME (4-stroke) engines vary from <100 kW to >10 MW, whereas the market is focusing on lower range
- No loss of propulsion in case of methanol leak, omitting the requirement for redundant methanol supply
- Operational flexibility and future-proofing of vessels

► Legislation

- Draft IGF code ready for approval by IMO
- Hazardous zones do not scale with vessel size, requiring a case-by-case approach





CLOSING



Climate neutral fuels will be the main contributor in decarbonization

Specific challenges for methanol:

- Emissions (PtL and/or with Bio - CO₂ source)
- Policy: Synergies and fuel specific (LCA)
- Technical: Engine technology
- Availability

Partnerships are needed to contribute in bridging the gaps!





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QUESTIONS & ANSWERS





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