



# Projects of Common Interest and the Rotterdam Nucleus Business Case

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# Overview



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- Conditions and criteria to become a CO<sub>2</sub> PCI
- Process and submission of a CO<sub>2</sub> PCI
- Introduction to the Rotterdam Nucleus – The GATEWAY Pilot Case
- CO<sub>2</sub> Sources / CO<sub>2</sub> storage
- Cost Benefit Analysis
- Development timeframe



# TEN-E Regulations



- The Trans-European Networks for Energy (TEN-E) support the planning and financing of important energy infrastructure necessary to achieve the EU's energy and climate policy objectives.
- TEN-E Regulations 2013 (2014-2020) – following close consultations with all Member States, the Commission has identified 12 strategic trans-European energy infrastructure priorities
- 2014: EU thematic area: The development of transport infrastructure for captured CO<sub>2</sub>



# Projects of Common Interest

- The main vehicle to implement the TEN-E policy are projects of common interest (PCIs)
- Selected PCIs benefit from accelerated permit granting, assistance with regulatory measures and access to EU financial assistance through the Connecting Europe Facility of €5.85 billion
- The TEN-E Guidelines Regulation of 2013 lays down the rules and procedures to be respected in the identification, selection and treatment of energy 'projects of common interest (PCIs)
- So far, no PCIs on CO<sub>2</sub> infrastructure
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Call launched in March 2017



# What can be included in a CO<sub>2</sub> PCI?

- (a) dedicated pipelines, other than upstream pipeline network, used to transport anthropogenic carbon dioxide from more than one source for the purpose of permanent geological storage of carbon dioxide pursuant to Directive 2009/31/EC
- (b) facilities for liquefaction and buffer storage of carbon dioxide in view of its further transportation – **no storage equipment, no ships**
- (c) any equipment or installation essential for the system in question to operate properly, securely and efficiently, including protection, monitoring and control systems.



# General criteria for a PCI



- (a) the project is necessary for at least one of the energy infrastructure priority corridors and areas;
- (b) the potential overall ***benefits of the project, outweigh its costs***, including in the longer term; and
- (c) the project meets any of the following criteria:
  - (i) involves at least two Member States by directly crossing the border of two or more Member States;
  - (ii) is located on the territory of one Member State and has a significant
  - (iii) crosses the border of at least one Member State and a European Economic Area country.

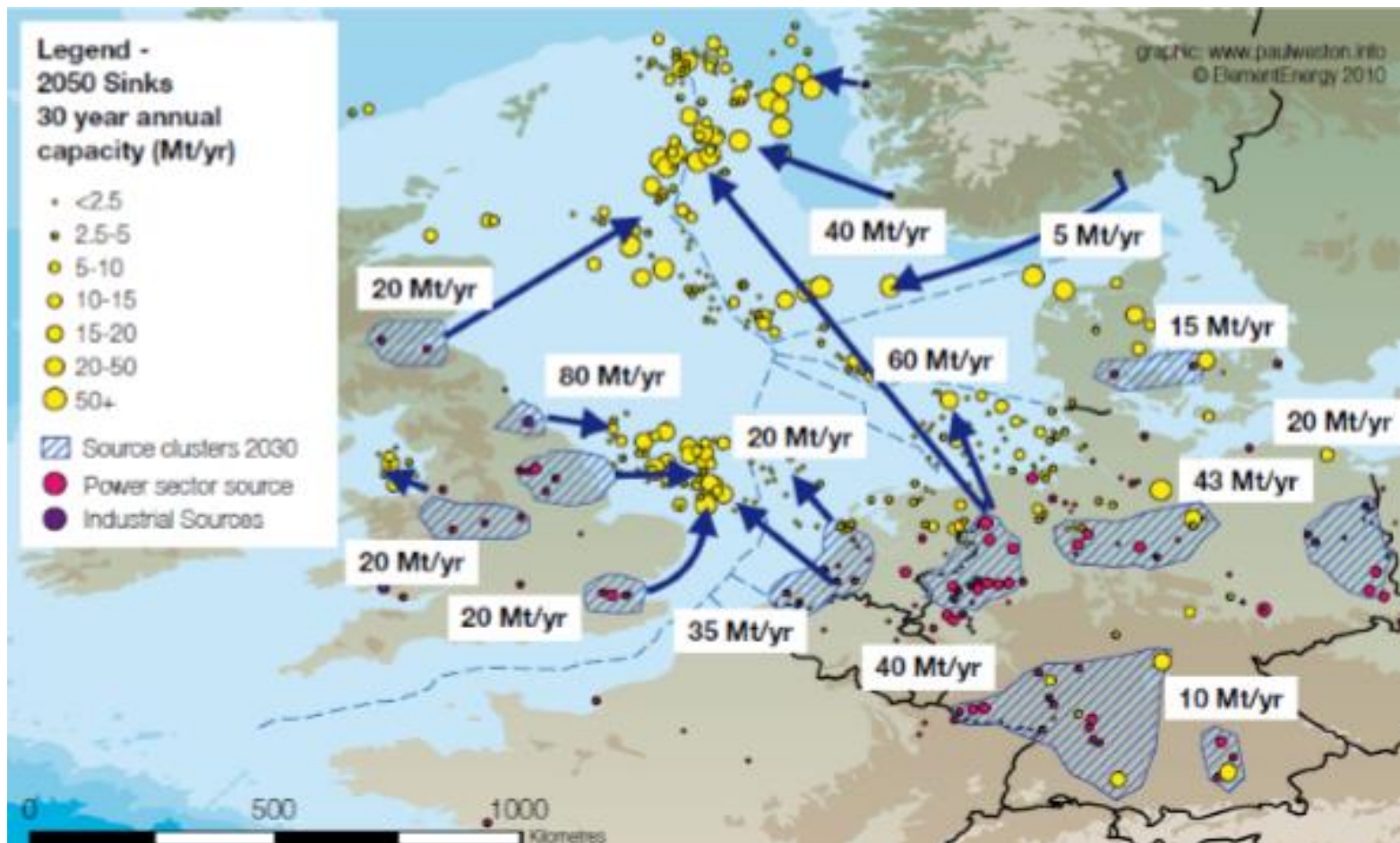


# PCI CO<sub>2</sub> Specific criteria



- (i) the avoidance of carbon dioxide emissions while maintaining security of energy supply;
- (ii) increasing the resilience and security of carbon dioxide transport;
- (iii) the efficient use of resources, by enabling the connection of multiple carbon dioxide sources and storage sites via common infrastructure and minimising environmental burden and risks.
- Proposed carbon dioxide transport projects shall be presented as part of a plan, developed by at least two Member States
- The Commission shall also take into account the potential for future extension to include additional Member States.

# Identifying PCIs in the EU



Element Energy, 2010

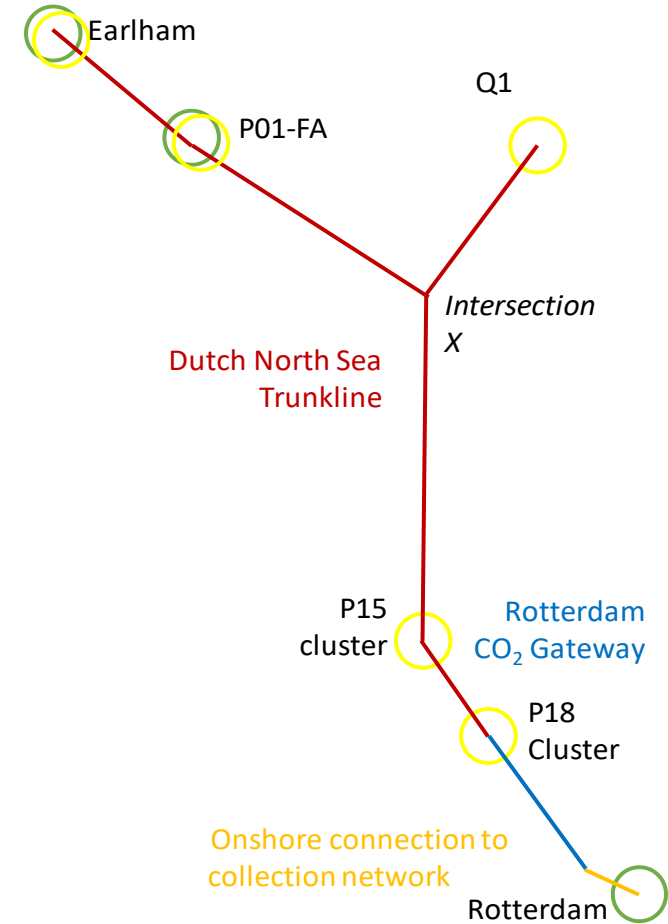




# Rotterdam Nucleus PCI proposal – Objectives

- Provide **large scale CO<sub>2</sub> transportation** for emitters in the Port of Rotterdam to 40 Mt of well-defined CO<sub>2</sub> storage capacity within 20 km of the Dutch coast, and to several hundreds of megatonnes of storage further offshore.
- **Over-size** pipelines, compression and utility equipment to allow future use by **third-party countries** based on priority CO<sub>2</sub> transport corridors identified by Member State governments through the **North Sea Basin Task Force**.
- Contribute to **EU energy security** by unlocking stranded natural gas reserves in both the UK and the Netherland's sectors of the North Sea, and use a portion of the **value** to contribute to the costs of a 130 km CO<sub>2</sub> trunkline passing across or close to future CO<sub>2</sub> storage sites with a potential storage capacity of 150 MtCO<sub>2</sub>.

# PCI: Rotterdam Nucleus



- **Project Promoter: Port of Rotterdam Authority**





# One PCI – three pipelines



- **Rotterdam collection network link (YELLOW):** (18 km), A low-pressure pipeline connect to the existing OCAP CO<sub>2</sub> transport pipeline to the ROAD CCS Project.
- **The Rotterdam CO<sub>2</sub> Gateway (BLUE):** A 25 km high pressure CO<sub>2</sub> pipeline with a capacity of 10 MtCO<sub>2</sub>/a linking the ROAD CCS Project to the P18-A platform.
- **The Dutch North Sea Trunkline (RED):** A main spine pipeline of around 130km will extend from the Earlham “Fizzy” and P1-FA fields in the Southern North Sea to the P18 storage facility. The spine pipeline is designed to be oversized for the initial use, which is to transport the separated CO<sub>2</sub> from these high-CO<sub>2</sub> fields to the initial storage locations of P18 / P15.



# CO<sub>2</sub> sources in the RN

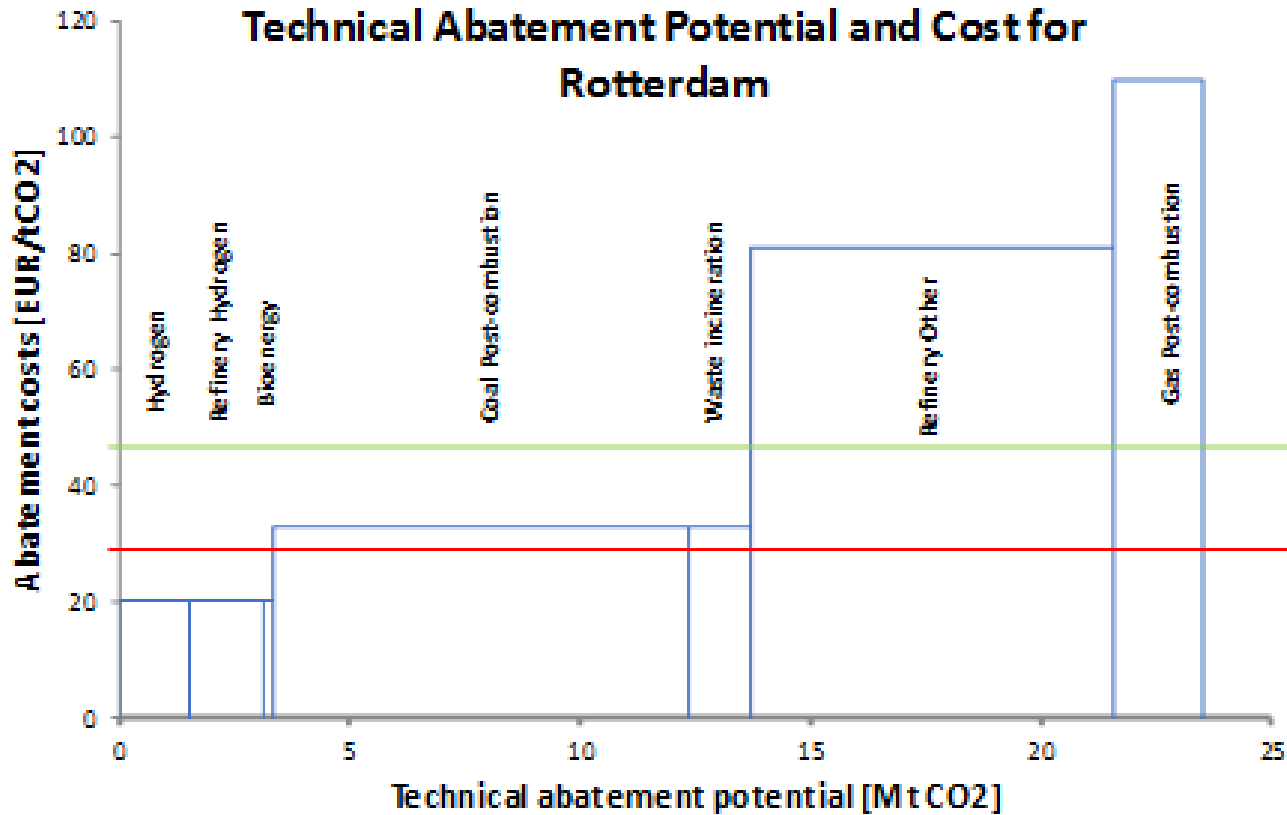


CO2 Mt/a	Sources					
<b>Year</b>	Earlham	P1-EA	Road CCS	CO2 from OCAP	Future source	Future source

Capture Pl

city CO

**Technical Abatement Potential and Cost for Rotterdam**

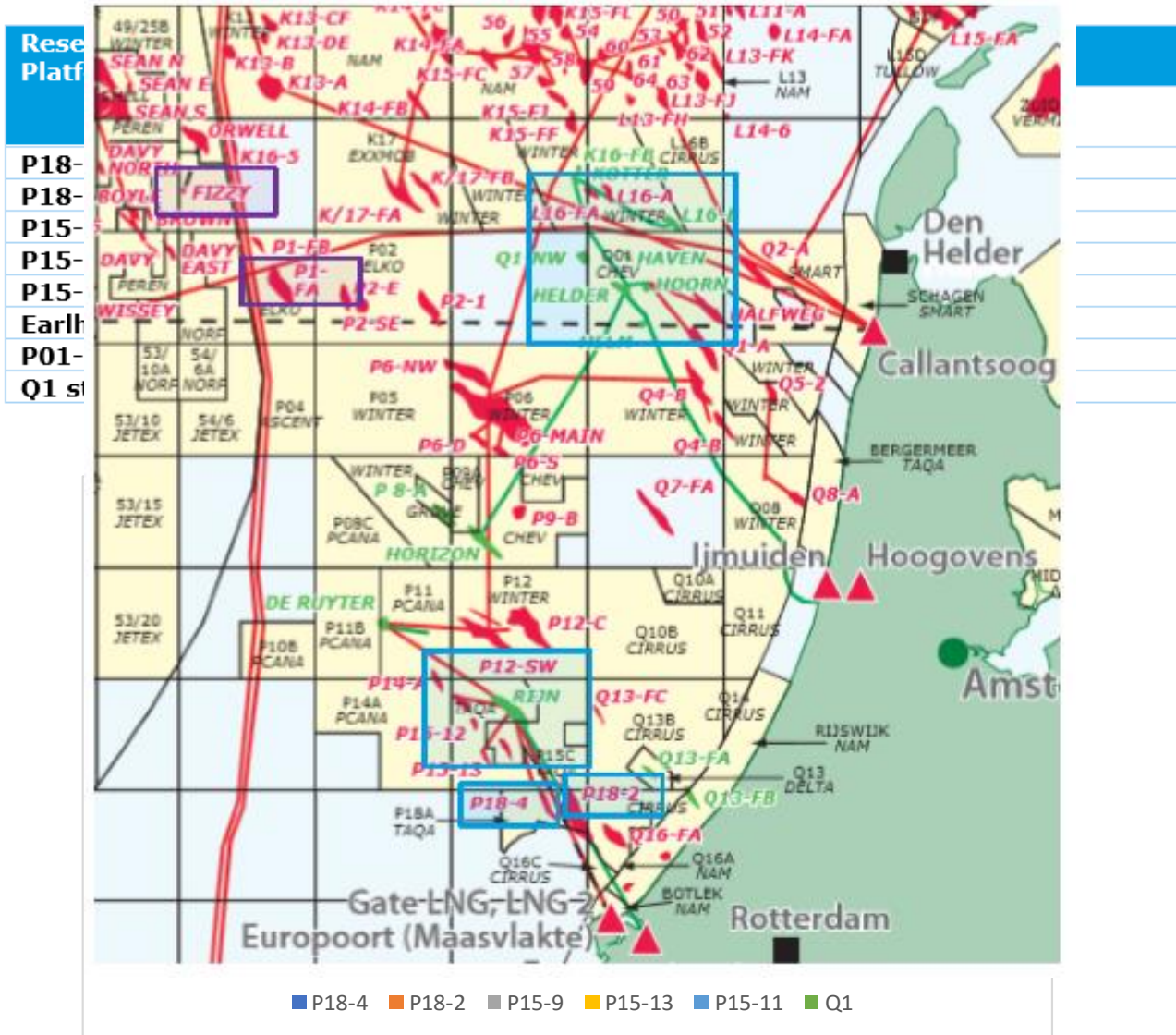


2030 est. carbon price

2025 est. carbon price

<b>2021</b>	0.0	0.0	1.1	0.0	1.0	1.0
<b>2042</b>	0.0	0.0	1.1	0.5	1.5	1.6

# Storage in the RN application





# Cost Benefit Analysis approach

## Project-specific CBA

### **Benefits**

- Financial benefit from the provision of a service by the transport operator to other parts of the CCS chain
- Use of CO<sub>2</sub> for Enhanced Oil Recovery (if applicable)
- Use of CO<sub>2</sub> for industrial purposes (if applicable)

### **Costs**

- Capital expenditure
- Operational and maintenance expenditure

## Cost Benefit Analysis

## Socioeconomic CBA

Avoidance of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions while maintaining security of supply

- Reduction in future carbon damages
- Security of energy supply / diversification of energy sources

Increasing the resilience and security of CO<sub>2</sub> transport

- Contribution of project to the development of knowledge with respect to CO<sub>2</sub> transport

Efficient use of resources by the connection of multiple CO<sub>2</sub> sources and sinks

- Future potential to connect multiple CO<sub>2</sub> sources and storage sites
- Extension of economic/regulatory lifetime of existing assets

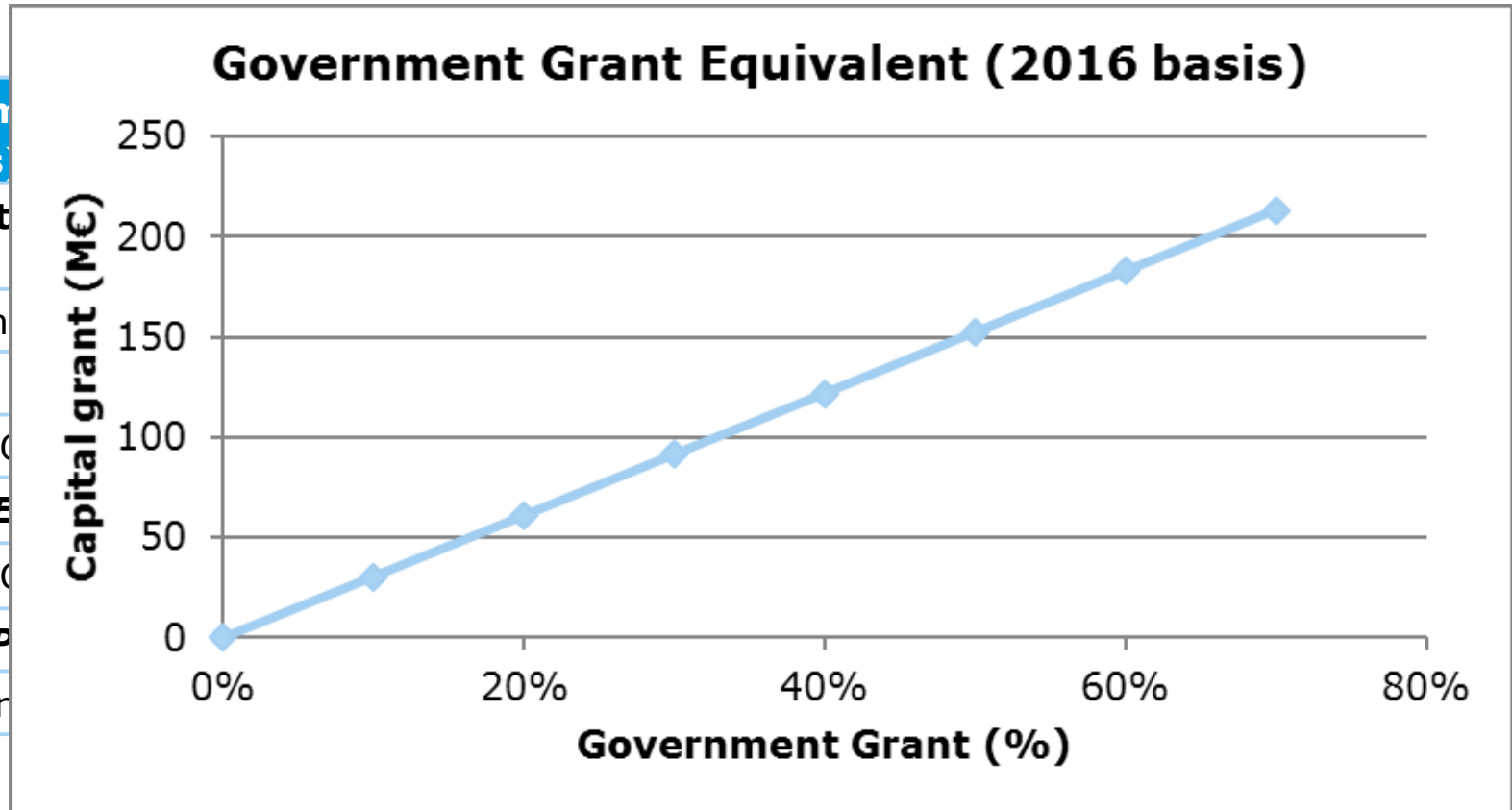


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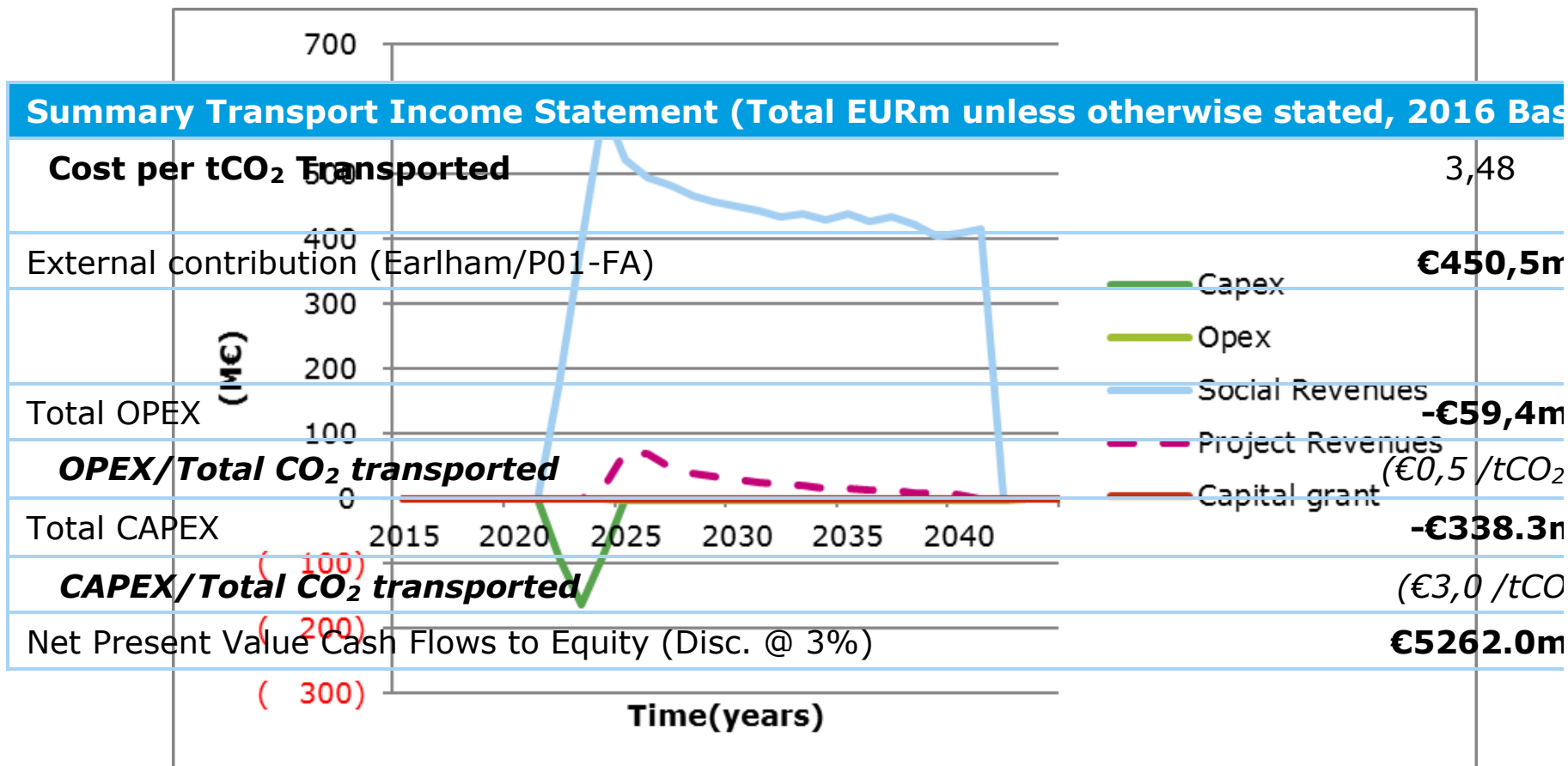
- Fixed time horizon of 20 years
- Only project cash in- and out-flows
- Exclude accounting items such as depreciation, reserves, interest, loan repayments
- A financial discount rate to be used but not specified (8%)
- Costs – only CAPEX and OPEX
- Benefits can include:
  - Tariff charged by project for transporting CO<sub>2</sub>
  - Use of CO<sub>2</sub> for re-use/EOR
  - **Benefits from climate policy (EU-ETS or tax) NOT included**
- Subtract residual value of infrastructure in case of +NPV

# Cost benefit analysis





# Social Cost Benefit Analysis



# Simplified development timeline

2018

Feasibility studies and initial pre-FEED work

2019

Secure partners, complete pre-FEED work

2019/20

FEED and conclude negotiations  
for storage options

2021

License applications,  
detailed design

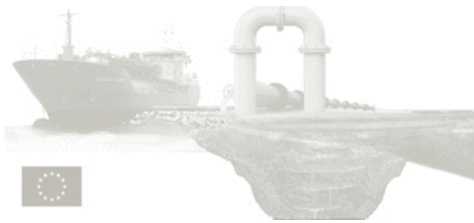
2021/2023

License award and  
construction

2023+

Start-up





# Thank you

