

# The role of eFuels in future traffic

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Who we are

# eFuel Alliance – Who we are and what we stand for

- We are a **stakeholder initiative established** to foster a strong renewable fuel market within the next 2-3 years. We currently represent companies and associations **along the whole value chain of eFuels**. We are clearly committed to greater climate protection and a strong advocate of a **multi-solution approach**.
- Now or never – the **Green Deal is the unique opportunity** to change the regulation and achieve more holistic political decisions.

OUR MEMBERS – MORE THAN 150 COMPANIES, INCLUDING:



OUR POLITICAL MISSION:

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Account for renewable fuels in the **revision of the CO2 standards** of new cars, vans and trucks

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Reflect the climate benefit of renewable fuels in the **revision of the European energy taxation**

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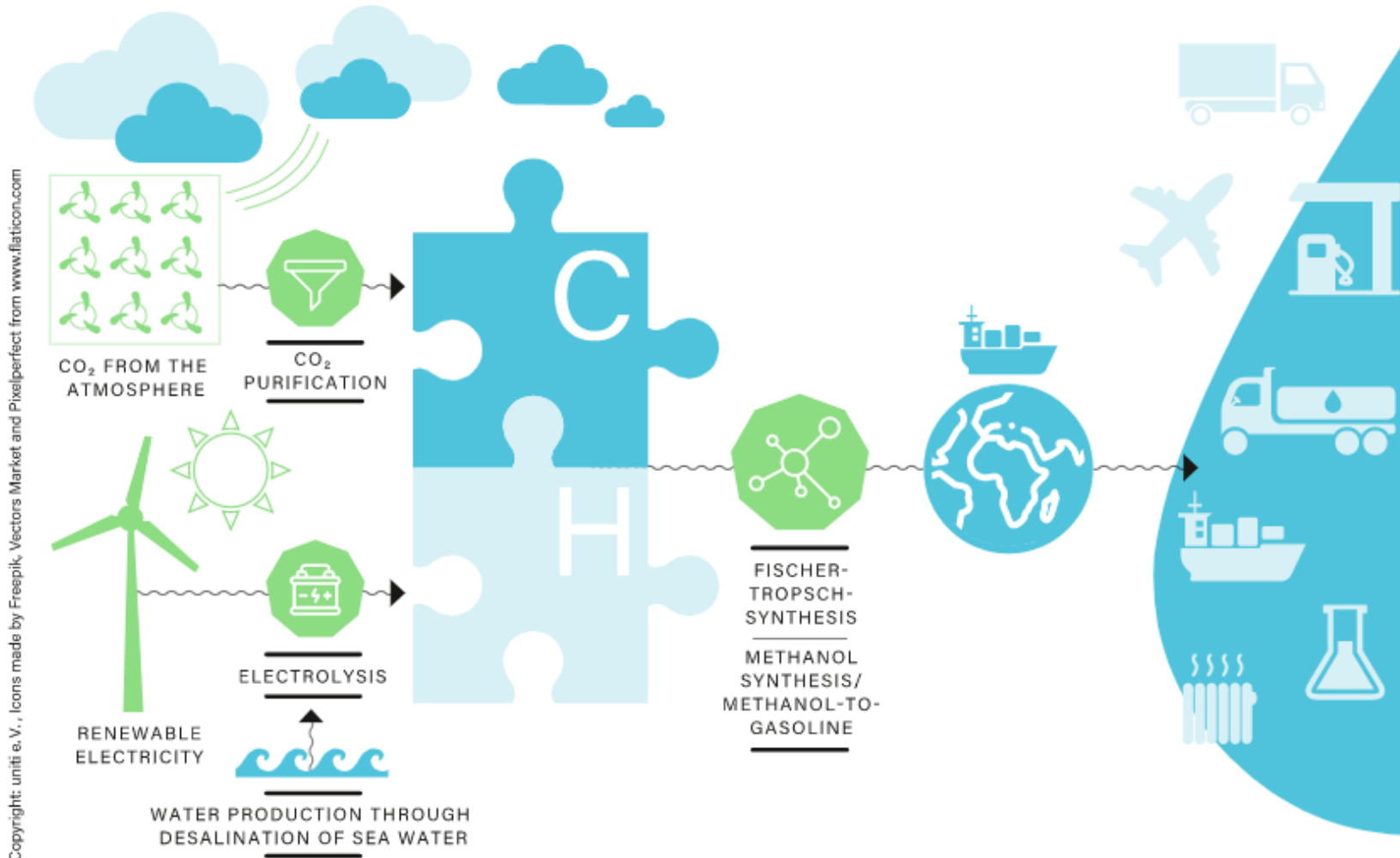
Press for a more ambitious **revision of the renewable energy directive / Fuel Quality Directive**





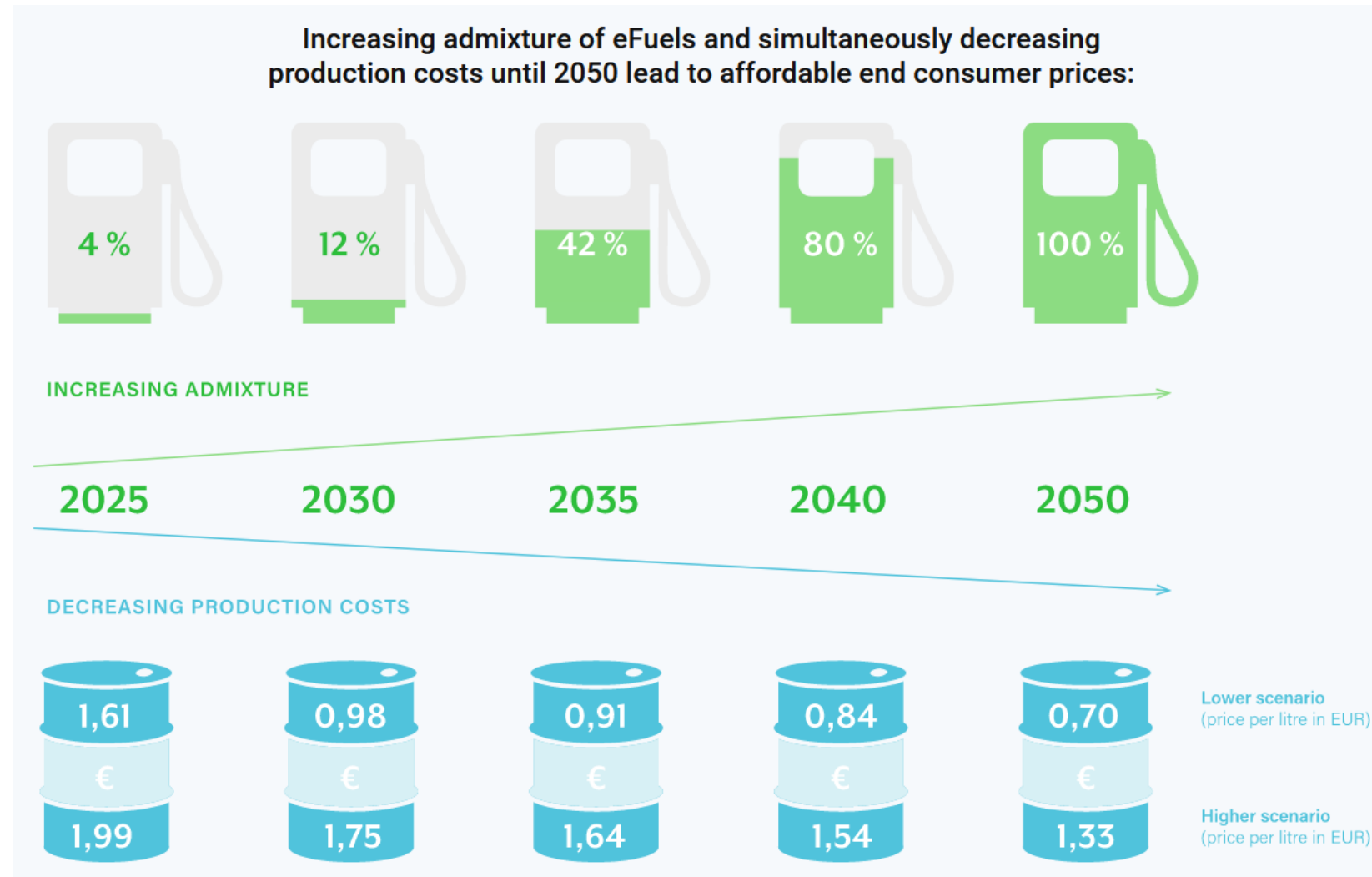
What are eFuels?

# How are eFuels produced?



- Extraction of hydrogen from water by electrolysis using renewable electricity
- Hydrogen and CO<sub>2</sub>, directly captured from the atmosphere, are converted into a liquid energy carrier, by using e.g. Fischer-Tropsch synthesis.
- Power-to-X (PtX): Renewable electricity is converted into a synthetic, multi-purpose fuel with drop-in ability
- Climate-neutral process, no additional greenhouse gases are produced

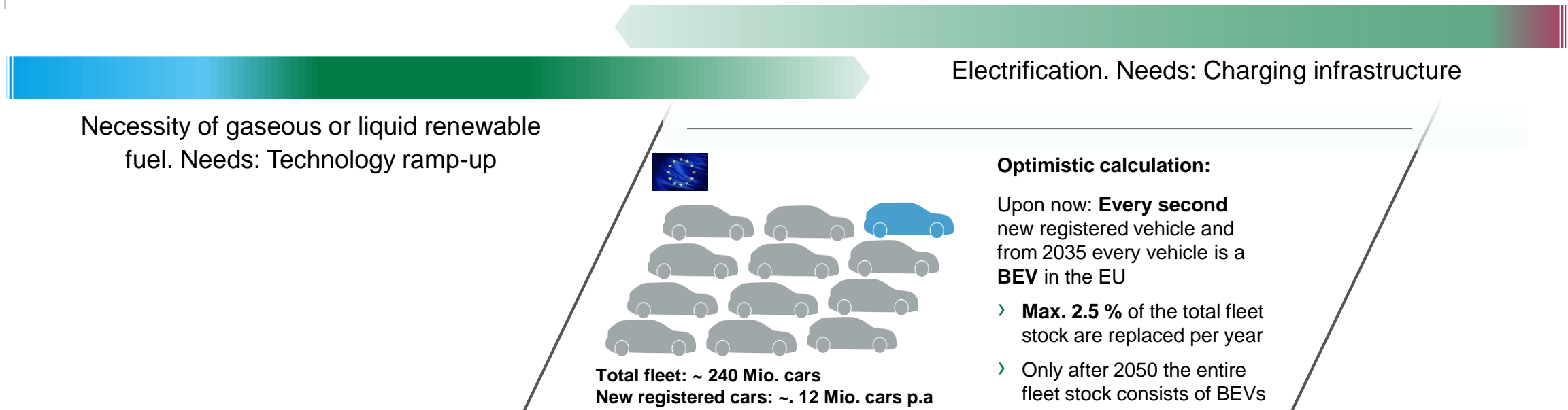
# Affordable mobility must be maintained



- Economies of scale will reduce the production cost of eFuels ...
- ... while in the meantime the share of blending is steadily increased.
- According to a study by Prognos AG, the Fraunhofer Institute UMSICHT and DBFZ, the production costs are assumed to be less than EUR 1 per litre in 2050.
- Climate neutrality thus remains affordable for everyone

# eFuels as an optimal complement to electric mobility

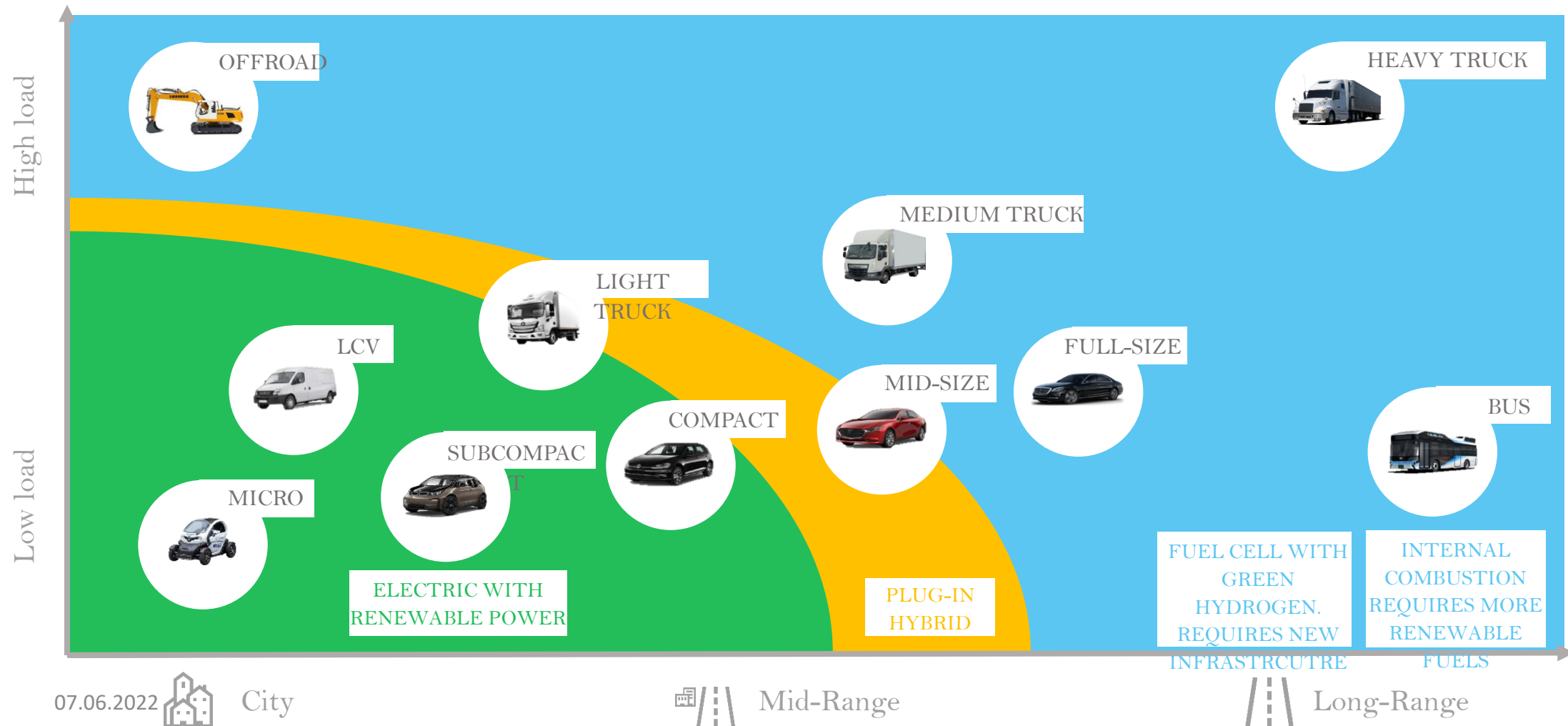
FORECASTED DIVISION ALONG THE ENERGY DEMAND IN EU-27 IN 2030:



» A complete and timely transition of the transport sector requires the use of renewable fuels in addition to electrification

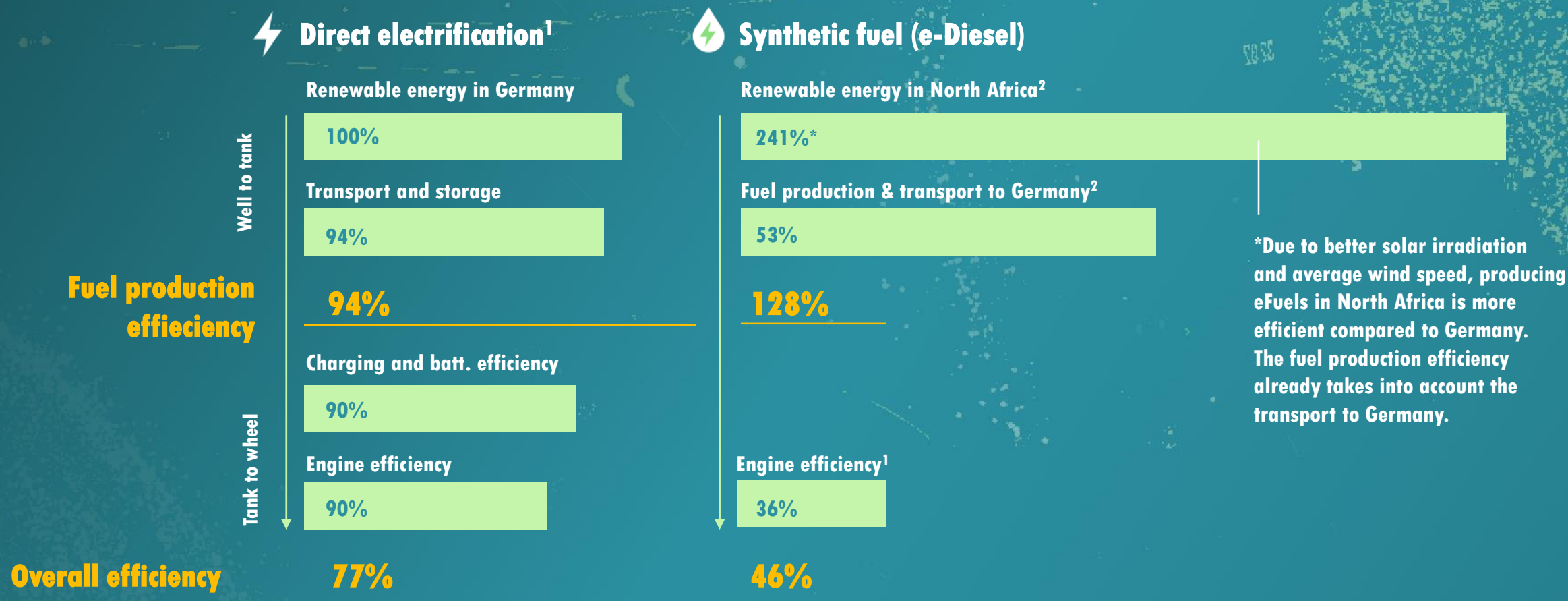
# In principle different use cases require a powertrain mix

THE GREATER THE REQUIRED PAYLOAD AND RANGE – THE LARGER THE BATTERY SIZE – THE GREATER THE BATTERY COSTS – THE GREATER THE INFRASTRUCTURE EXPANSION – THE GREATER THE ECOLOGICAL FOOTPRINT.





# Efficiency of direct electrification and imported eFuels compared



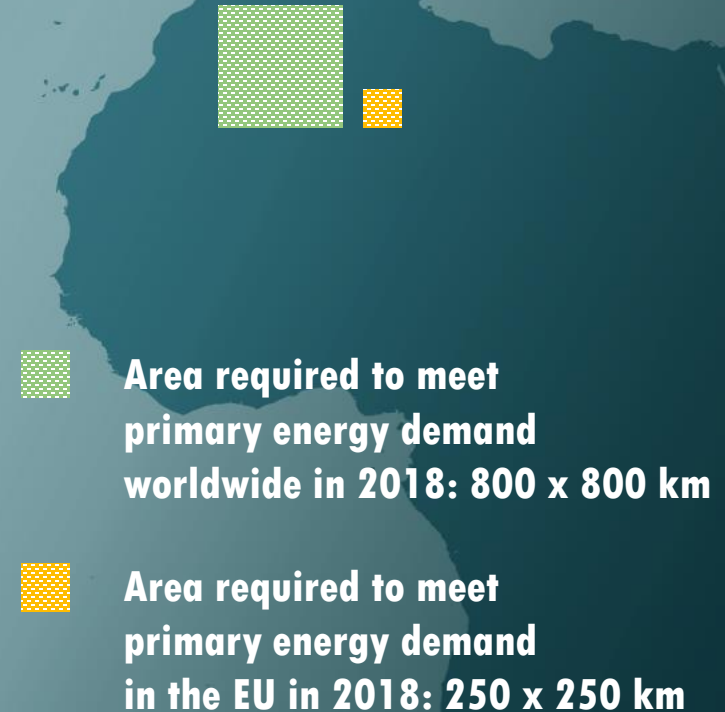
The difference in the overall efficiency is a factor of 1.7 and not a factor of 5-7 as claimed by other publications.

# Is there enough renewable energy to produce eFuels?

Theoretically, in countries with ideal conditions for solar and wind power, enough renewable energy could be generated to meet the entire energy demand of Europe and the world. Let's solve global warming together with global solutions.

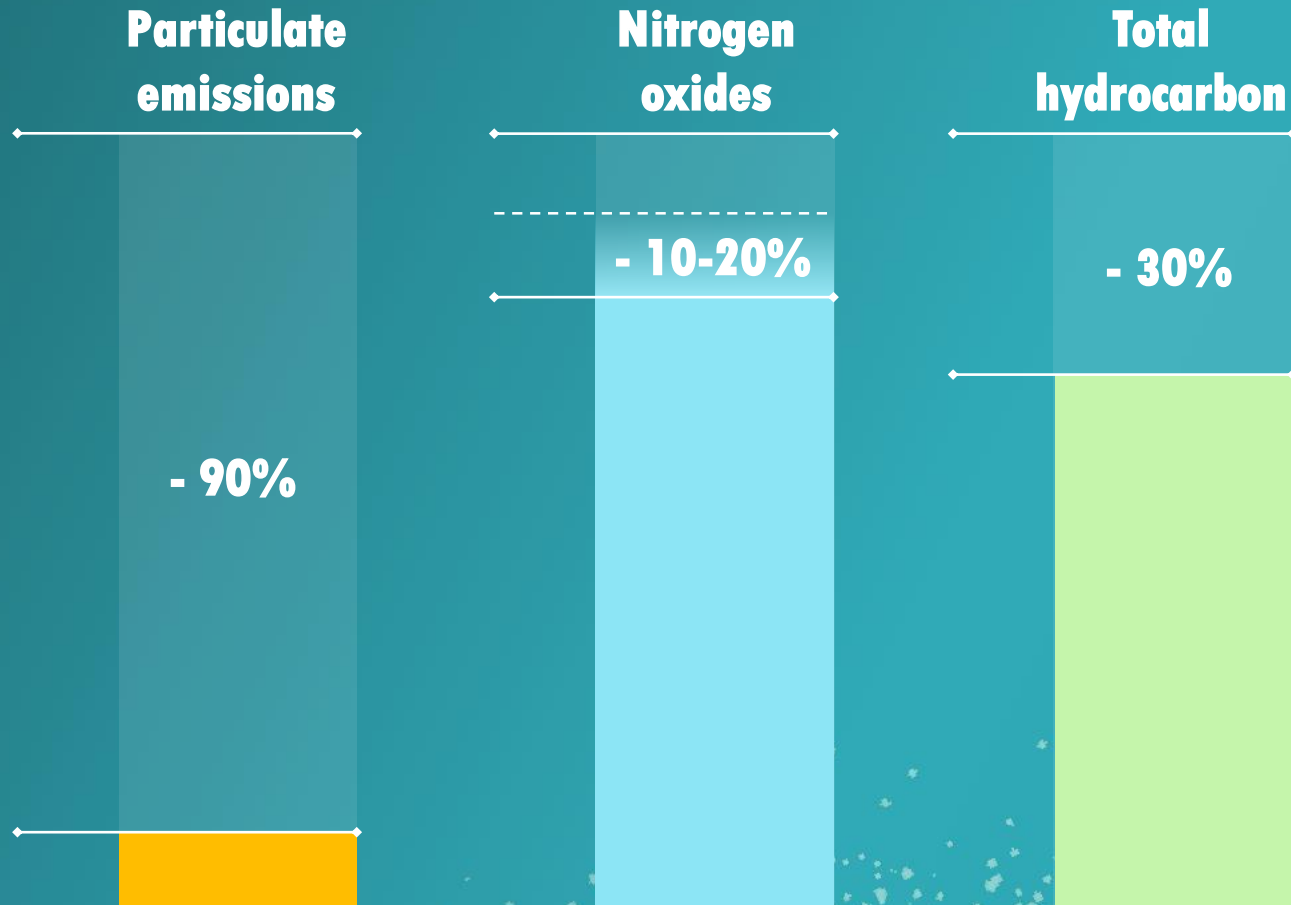
**Global fuels for  
global challenges**

Source: Own calculations based on DLR



# Less emissions with synthetic fuels

Tests compared engine powered by eFuels to fossil fuel



Significant reductions to criteria emissions were obtained with synthetic fuel formulations, when compared to an existing European market fuel.

Reductions of more than 90% in particulate emissions, 10 to 20% in nitrogen oxides emissions, and up to 30% in total hydrocarbon emissions were achieved.





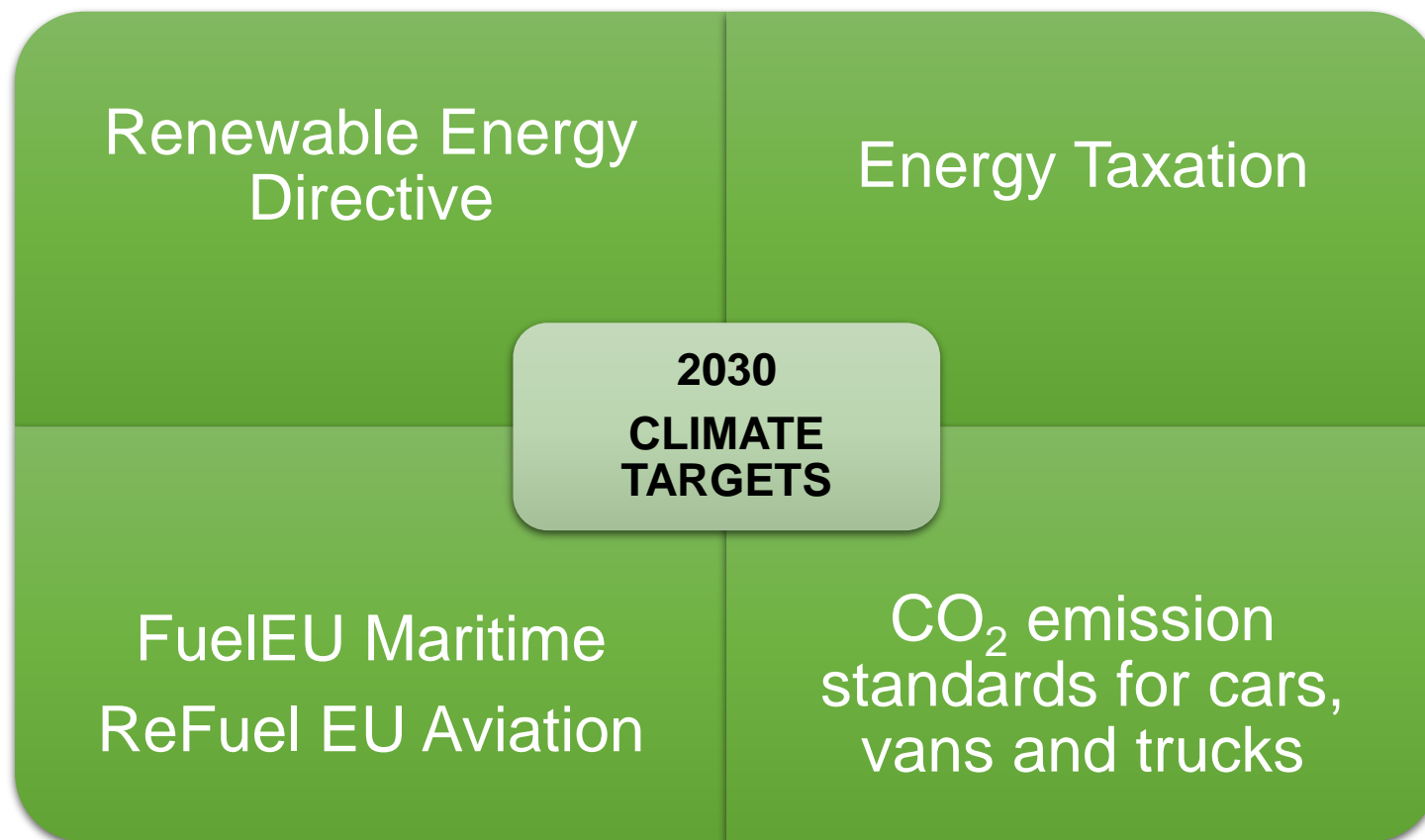
What kind of political framework is needed?



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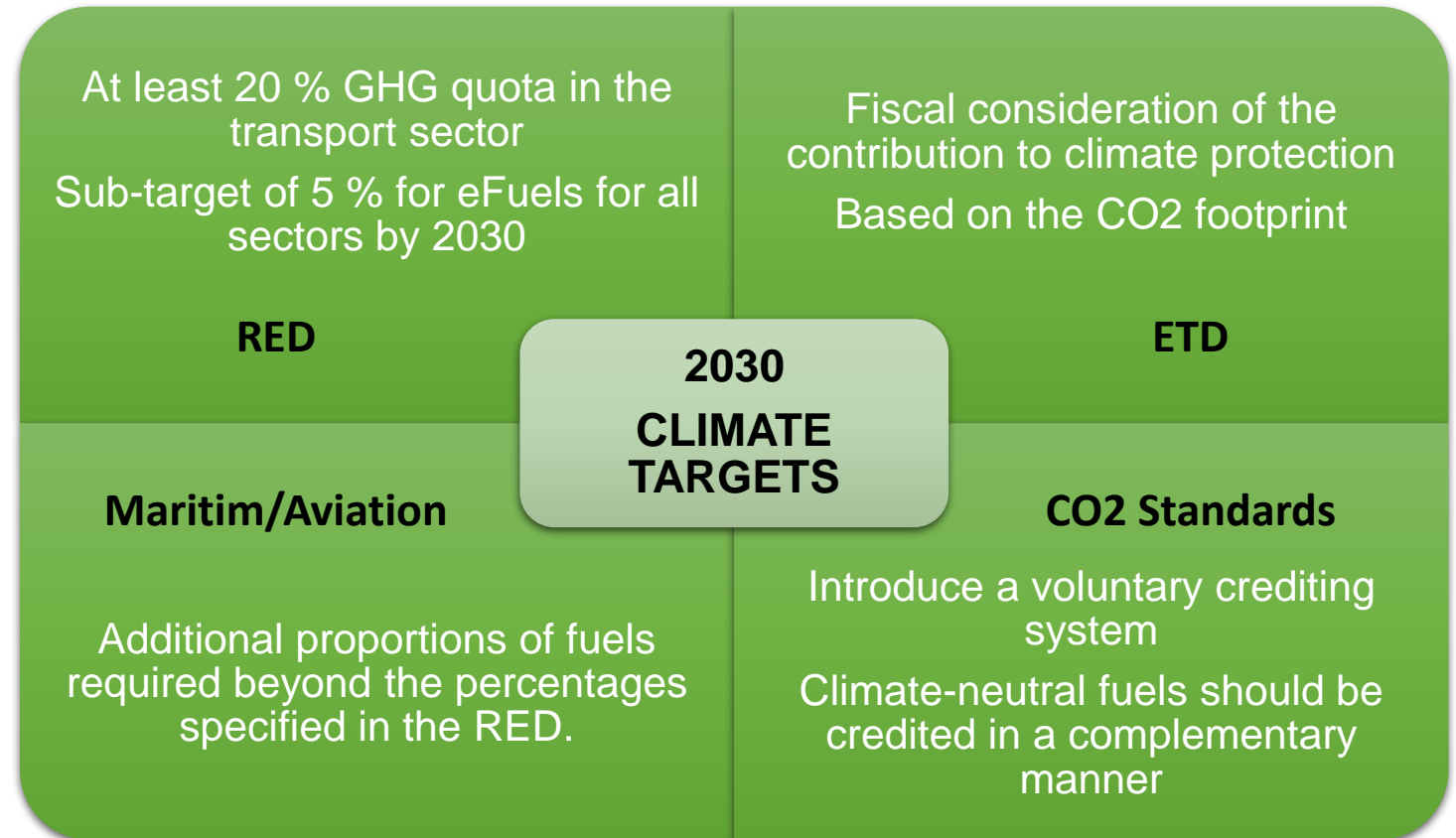
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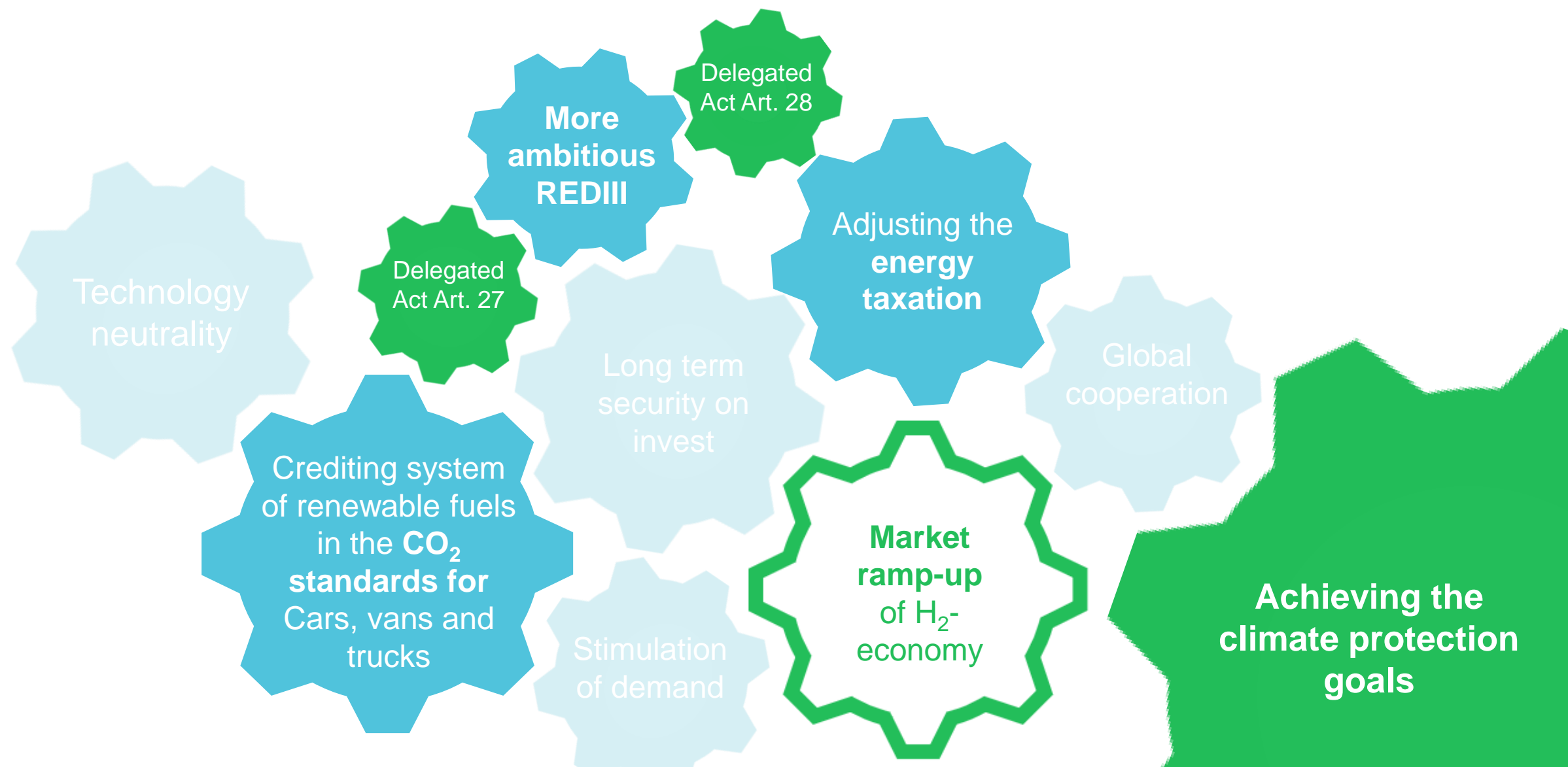
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# The moving parts policymakers need to turn



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