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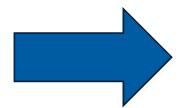


The Clean Steel Partnership









- •ESTEP European Steel Technology Platform
 - www.estep.eu
- •CSP Clean Steel Partnership
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European Steel Technology Platform (ESTEP)

- European Technology Platform (EU 2020)
 - Created in 2004 (ULCOS) and reconfirmed by EC in 2013
 - Legal entity (AiSBL): incorporation by 13 founders in March 2018
 - Members more than 5-fold by 2024: 70 members (Apr 2024)
 - Open for organizations from EU + associated countries (steel producer, technology provider, university, RTO, SME, ...)
- ESTEP mission

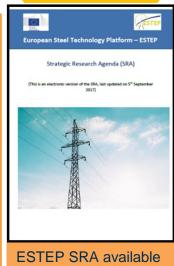
Collaborative EU actions (projects) on innovative technology to tackle **EU** challenges (renewable energy, climate change (CO₂), Circular Economy) in order to create a sustainable EU steel industry

- Collaborative work in 6 Focus Groups
 - Thematic mini-conferences
 - Initiate proposal writing
 - Road mapping and publication
 - Work towards standardization
- EU Clean Steel Partnership (CSP)







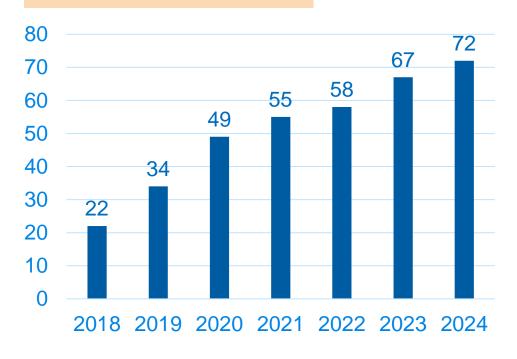


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Statistics on ESTEP Members (28 Oct 2024)

Number of ESTEP members



Type	
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Туре	Number
Academia	8
EUROFER	1
Industry	40
RTO	20
SME	2
Industry	
Association	1
Grand Total	72

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Size	Number
large	26
medium	34
small	11
SME	1
Grand Total	72

Country

Country	Number
Austria	6
Belgium	10
Finland	2
France	4
Germany	13
Italy	20
Luxembourg	1
Norway	1
Poland	1
Portugal	1
Spain	4
Sweden	5
The Netherlands	2
United Kingdom	2
Grand Total	72

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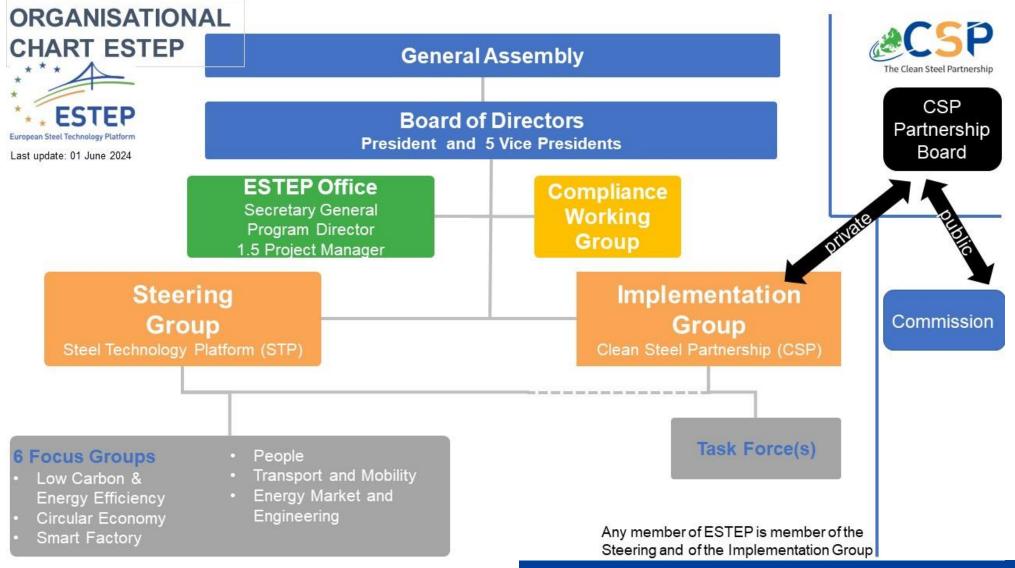
ESTEP services to members and stakeholders

- Information about supporting instruments of research and innovation at EU level
- Contribution to co-creation of roadmaps and European call texts
- Participation and contribution to ESTEP events
 - ESTEP Focus Groups (e.g. proposal writing, position papers)
 - Thematic Mini-conferences
 - Thematic workshops
- Project dissemination
 - Dedicated event spring each year
- Access to extensive steel stakeholder platform
- Work towards norms and standardisation
- Participation in ESTEP tasks & projects
 - Public funding (EU, national, ...)
 - Industry funding





Steel Technology Platform & Clean Steel Partnership



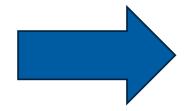
Open, transparent and inclusive:

- All members attend Steering Group and Implementation Group
- Minutes of SG + IG + Board are shared with all members





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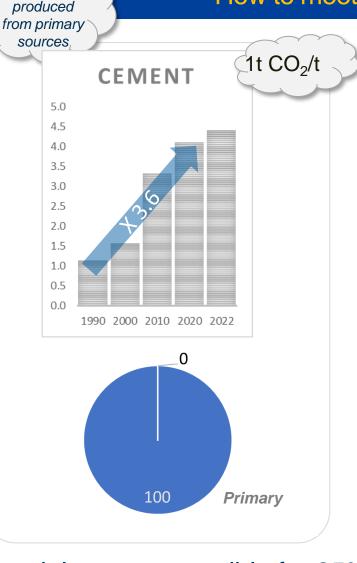


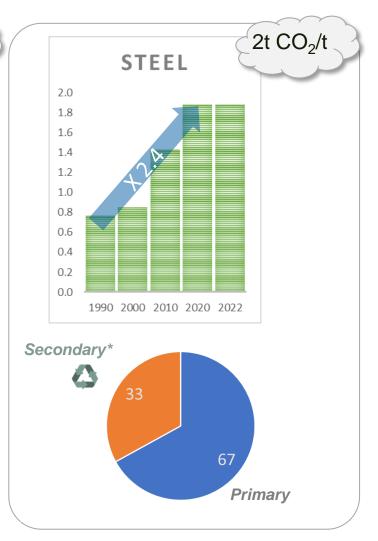
Challenge for all industries to become climate neutral

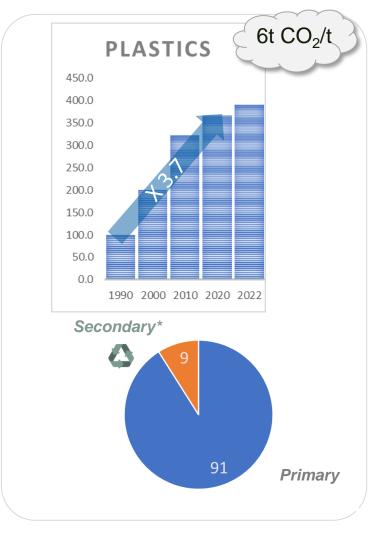
How to meet the growing global demand in a sustainable + climate neutral way

Global production

Billion tonnes







Materials are responsible for 25% of GHG and demand has tripled over the last 30 years.

CO₂ when

Sources: Global Cement Report (International Cement Review) and the Global Cement and Concrete Association, World Steel Association, Plastics Europe reports and International Energy Agency, ESTEP analyses

^{*} Defined as end of life material recycled to make same material again



Strategic Research Innovation Agenda & MoU





EN Annex 3

Memorandum of Understanding for the Co-programmed European Partnership for Clean Steel - Low Carbon Steelmaking

The ESTEP aisbl, representing the partners other than the Union (its constituent entities¹), the registered offices of which are in Avenue Cortenbergh 172, 1000 Brussels, Belgium, hereafter referred to as the "Partners other than the Union", and the European Union, represented by the European Commission, (jointly hereinafter referred to as "the Partners"),

Considering that:

Parts of Horizon Europe – the Framework Programme for Research and Innovation
 ('Horizon Europe') ² – may be implemented through Co-Programmed European

FOR THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION	FOR THE ESTEP AISBL
Megels Mariya Qalave	Dr. Franz M. Androsch President of ESTEP
7 Mm	Vice-PRESIDENT of ESTEP







Clean Steel Partnership - CSP

- Horizon Europe (2021-2027)
- Co-programmed Partnership
- Two financial funding pillars
 - Horizon Europe
 - Assets of Research Fund for Coal and Steel (RFCS)
- Established by Memorandum of Understanding (MoU)
 - ESTEP
 - DG RTD & DG Grow
- SRIA explains in detail the intended activities of CSP
- SRIA adopted by the Partnership Board of the Clean
 Steel Partnership on 13 December 2021
- SRIA Update end 2023/beginning 2024

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CSP = co-programmed public private partnership

Public calls open to every organization

- According to Horizon Europe (HEU) regulation
- According to Research Fund for Coal and Steel (RFCS) regulation
- No membership etc. required



ESTEP facilitates the private side of the Clean Steel Partnership

- Membership in ESTEP (European Steel Technology Platform) available for steel stakeholder
- Clean Steel Partnershipboard private side composed of ESTEP members
- ESTEP organises CSP related events for its members (in addition to open events)
 - Contribute to definition of the call texts of CSP (HEU+RFCS)
 - · Information sharing
 - Brokerage event, consortium matchmaking





EU Clean Steel Partnership Accelerate towards net zero CO₂ steelmaking

- Partnership in the frame of Horizon Europe (HEU) in 2021 to 2027/2030
 - Unique setting due to synergies of public financial pillars (HEU + Research Fund Coal+Steel)
 - Memorandum of Understanding signed by ESTEP + European Commission (RTD+Grow)
- •CSP-Budget: € 1.7 billion
 - €350 million from Horizon Europe
 - €350 million from assets of the ECSC* in Liquidation (source of RFCS funding)
 - At least matched by steel sector (expected €1.000 million)

Projects

- size: € 10-100 million
- Developments starting at TRL 6 to end up with TRL 8 (Technology Readiness Level) exceptional start at 5 to end up with at least TRL 7
- 2 + 2 demonstrators showing CO₂ emission reduction potential of at least 50% (80%)
- Strategic Approach by 12 Building Blocks
 - Building Blocks define collaborative research areas
 - Impact by linking the Building Blocks with company pathways
 - Carbon Direct Avoidance
 - Smart Carbon Usage (Process Integration and CCUS)
 - Circular Economy
 - Enablers: People + Digitization (2% of the total budget)







* ECSC=European Coal and Steel Community (grandfather of the EU)





Impacts on industry and society

- The objectives and impacts of the Partnership are in line with the pathways of Horizon Europe
- Contribute to the Sustainable Development Goals 3, 8, 9, 12 and 13 under the United Nation's 2030 Agenda
- Impacts in various areas, such as:
 - CO₂ reduction: new technologies will be deployed that could reduce emissions from EU steel production by 50% by 2030, compared to 1990 levels;
 - **Industry and EU competitiveness**: The support for the deployment of the decarbonisation technologies will allow the **EU to remain a global leader** in the steel industry and to reinforce its knowledge-based competitive advantage;
 - **Resource efficiency**: coordination of technological progress in the use of steel scrap and by-products, leading to an enhanced, larger use of those resources;
 - Jobs and skills: the Partnership will support the preservation of high-quality jobs in the steel making value chain.





TOTAL SOCIETAL IMPACT









VALUE





SOCIETAL **ENABLEMENT**

INCLUSION

ECONOMIC

WELL-BEING CAPACITY































EU Clean Steel Partnership Strategic Research and Innovation Agenda (SRIA)

3 Technology Pathways for decarbonization

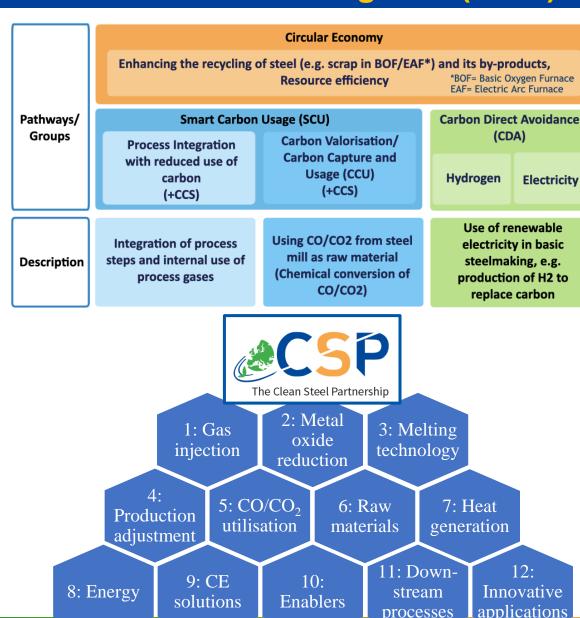
- Carbon direct avoidance (CDA)
- Smart carbon Usage (SCU)
 - Process Integration (PI)
 - Carbon, Capture, Storage, Utilization (CCUS)
- Circular Economy (CE)

6 Areas of Intervention

- Integrating Building Blocks into the 3 Pathways
- CDA, SCU-PI, SCU-CCUS, CE, combination
- Include enablers (Digitalisation + Social Innovation)

12 Building Blocks (BB)

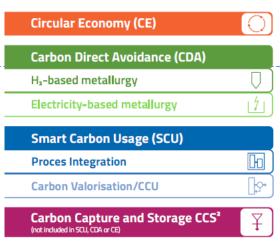
Bring to TRL8 at large scale



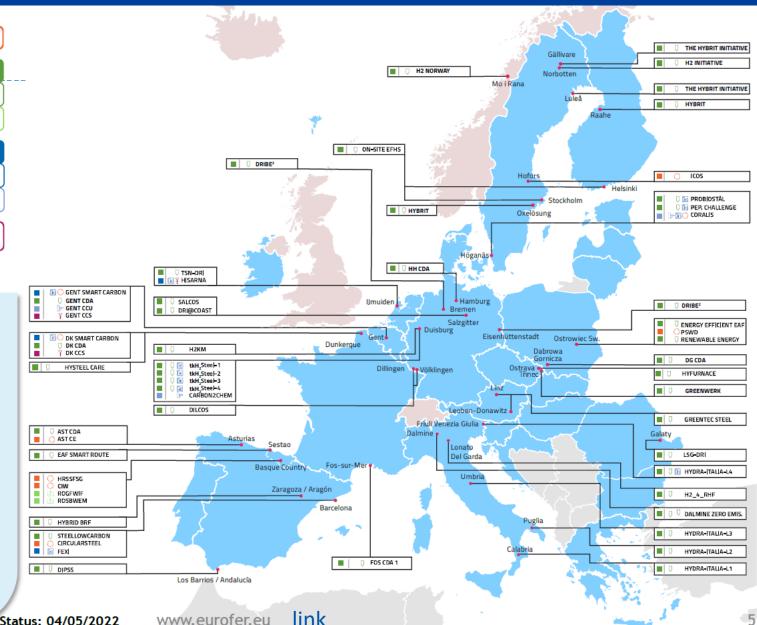
CSP roadmap (SRIA): www.estep.eu/clean-steel-roadmap



Key low-CO₂ projects of the EU steel industry



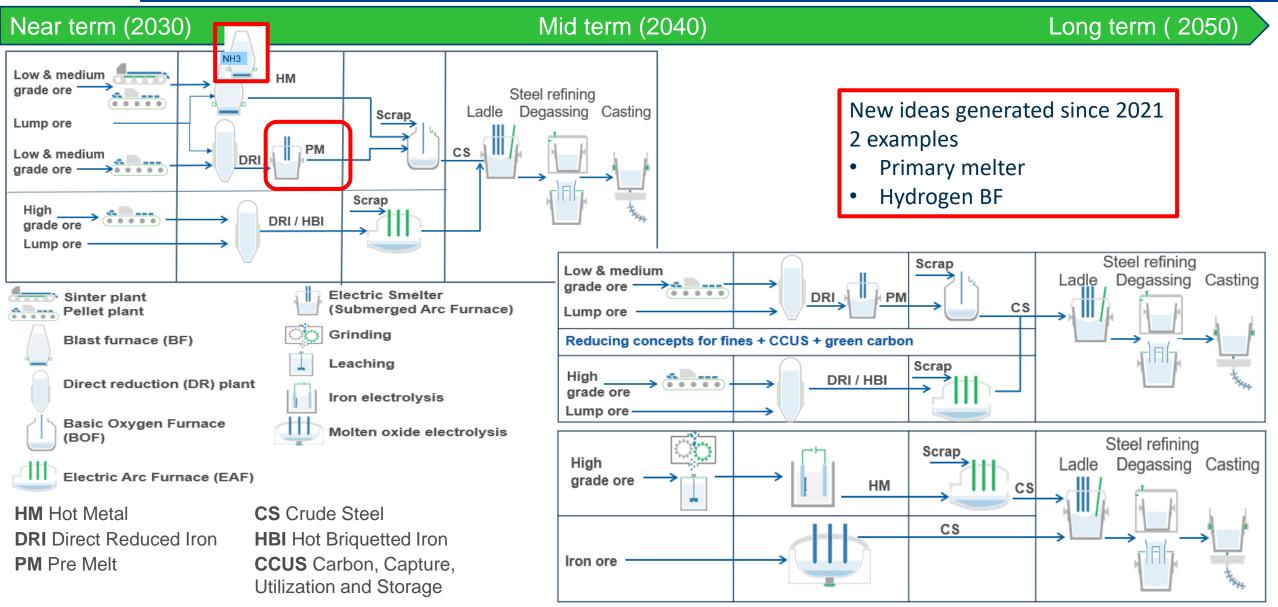
- **60** projects
- Technology Readiness Level : at least **TRL 7**
- Starting year: almost all **before 2030**
- Potential CO₂ abatement in 2030:81.5 Mio tons/year (over 1/3 of current direct and indirect CO₂ emissions)
- Capex needs: 31 bn EUR
- Opex needs: 54 bn EUR



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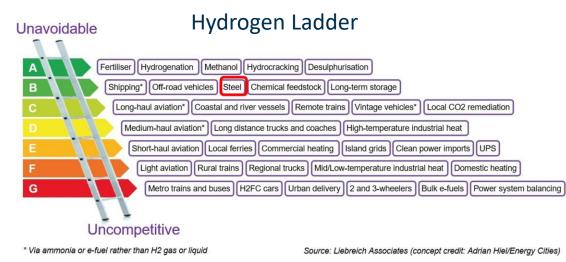
Transformation of EU steel industry Co-existence of breakthrough and traditional steelmaking processes





Challenges for the Decarbonisation Transformation

- Reliable, predictable policy framework supporting the transformation
- Global level playing field
- Renewable Energy (electricity)
 - Supply
 - Affordability
- Green Hydrogen
 - Supply & Infrastructure (pipelines)
 - Affordability
- Risk sharing
 - Robust business case for low carbon steel production (CAPEX+OPEX)
 - Mile stone approach from technology development to market roll-out
- Work force empowerment and talent recruiting
- Development and implementation of digital solutions



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Thank you very much for your attention

Clean Steel Partnership CSP: Vision, Ambition and Resources

Pilot & Demonstration plants Completion and Integration First-of-a-kind deployments √ Immediate Budget √ Breakthrough ✓ Quick evolution CO, mitigation 2021–2027: 1.4 B€ invest Resources: 50% private Stage 1 Stage 2a 6 Areas of Intervention 25% by HEU + 25% by RFCS (AoI): 4 BBs at TRL 7 4 BBs at TRL 7 · Breakthrough 6 BBs at TRL 8 Budget allocation related technology examples 2 demos at TRLS to CO2 mitigation potential >25 MC funding AoI: SCU-CCUS CO2 Capture Chemical Conversion Vision CSP 2030ff 144 >40 M€ funding Biological Conversion Apl CDA, CE Demo #2 √ steel technologies Aol: SCU-PI completed, integrated, Iron Bath Reactor Stage 3 Stage 2b demonstrated Smelting Reduction 488s at TRL 7 ✓ ready for deployment Substitution with 6 BBs at TRL 8 -50% CO2 (from 2027) 2 demos at TRL 8 biomass/polymers >30 M€ fund 144 Gas injection -80-95% CO2 (from 2030) Demo #3 AoI SCU-PI 4 Building Block Demos: SCU-CCUS, CE Aol: CDA ✓ Target for steel industry: BB2: CO, neutral iron ore reduction H₂-based DR & SR -50 Mt CO2 / year (2030) BB4: Adjustment of today's production Electrolysis CO2 neutral (2050) ш 50 M€ fund BB5: CO/CO, capture and storage · Ho in EAF H₂/RES in rolling mill √ leverage synergies of BB9: Steel specific circular economy all Building Blocks all Building Blocks common research Aol: CE Aol: Combination (~500 Mio.€) Mineral recovery ✓ resource efficiency **Aol: Enablers & Support Actions** Metal recovery 2030 √ competitiveness State of the Art Mid Term Short Term 2027 2034 2021 2024 Long Term ✓ jobs and skills 2020 At least 4 demonstrators with towards -50% target (2030) towards -80% target (2050) Area of Intervention (AoI) Legend: overall mitigation target

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Inputs from AoIs to Demos: