



Hydrogen network in Saar-Lor-Lux

A pioneering project for the Encevo Group

The Encevo Group is participating in the launch of a pilot project concerning the reallocation of a natural gas network into a cross-border hydrogen transport network in the Greater Region. Network operator Creos Deutschland GmbH, a subsidiary of the Encevo Group, has signed a collaboration agreement with GRTgaz SA, France's leading gas transmission operator, to promote the use of hydrogen as an energy and fuel source in the Saar-Lor-Lux region.

The mosaHYc (Mosel Saar HYdrogen Conversion) project will have the primary aim of creating infrastructure to deliver green hydrogen to the transport sector and will thus contribute to the European decarbonisation objectives while addressing important environmental and social challenges, in particular the issue of improving air quality in the Saar-Lor-Lux region.

The objective is to create a 70-kilometre-long infrastructure that will enable hydrogen producers and consumers in the Greater Region to develop business models for industry and the transport sector. This network with a strong regional dimension will contribute to the development of a hydrogen ecosystem in three countries.

As a first step, the partners involved will examine to what extent two existing pipelines in the region of Völklingen (Germany), Carling (France), Bouzonville (France) and Perl (Germany) are suitable for the transport of hydrogen. In the long term, the project paves the way for accelerating the development of an interregional hydrogen market.

As a driving force of the energy transition in the Greater Region, the Encevo Group is pleased to be part of this pilot project, which can be an important element of decarbonization in the region. The project underlines the important role that existing infrastructures can play in the energy transition and how they can contribute to the European objectives of reducing greenhouse gas emissions. Moreover, it is a good example for cross-border collaboration that fits perfectly with the group's positioning in the Greater Region.

The initiators of the project hope to be able to take a final investment decision in 2022.

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