

# Introducing the Lithuanian Perspective, Energy Transition Journey

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# LITHUANIA'S STRATEGY ENERGY OBJECTIVES

## ENERGY INDEPENDENCE



Energy independent and self-sufficient by 2050

## 100% DECARBONISATION



Acceleration towards 100% renewable energy in cost effective way

## BECOME AN ENERGY EXPORTER



Energy and higher value products supplier for the region

## PURSUE INDUSTRIAL GROWTH



Energy sector transformation - opportunities for industrial growth

## ENERGY COSTS & AFFORDABILITY



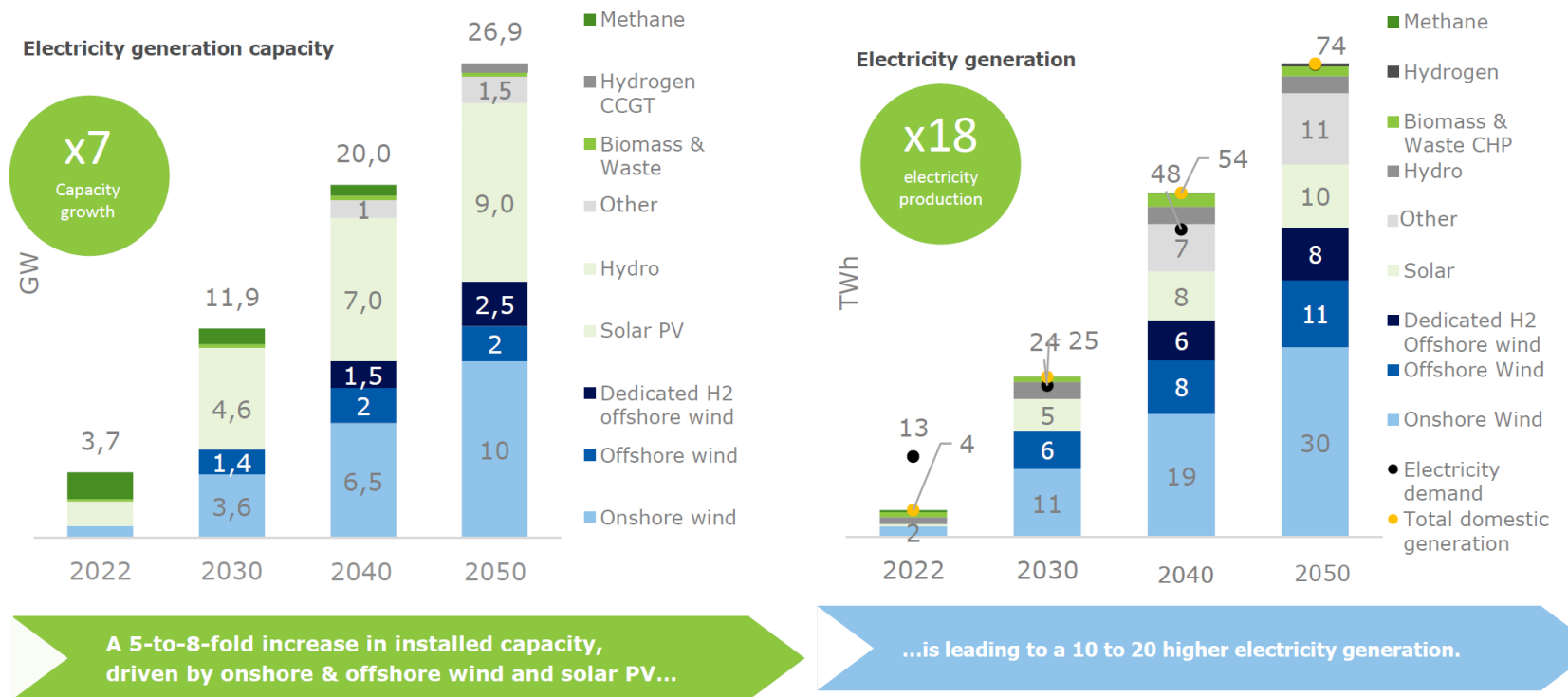
Ensured energy affordability and maximized export opportunities

# INTRODUCTION TO LITHUANIA'S ENERGY INDEPENDENCE STRATEGY

- Lithuania's energy strategy envisions a future where the country is energy independent and carbon-neutral by 2050
- Focus on transitioning to 100% renewable energy, reducing reliance on fossil fuels, and achieving net-zero emissions
- CCUS is a key component of the strategy, aimed at supporting decarbonization in hard-to-abate sectors like industry and energy generation

## Electricity generation

Lithuania – electricity exporting country by 2030 and beyond



DNV outcomes based on Energy Transition Model

In the overall EU context, LT is singled out as significantly exceeding the objectives of the RES

## Decarbonisation – Renewable Energy

Member State	RES-shares				Ambition gap
	2020 national binding target	2021 national SHARES value	2030 national contribution (draft updated NECP)	2030 shares in line with the formula	
AT	34%	36.4%	46%-50%	57%	Significantly below
BE	13%	13.0%	18%	33%	Significantly below
BG	16%	17.0%	29.9%	33%	Below
CY	13%	18.4%	26.5%	33%	Significantly below
CZ	13%	17.7%	30%	33%	Below
DE	18%	19.2%	40%	41%	Slightly below
DK	30%	34.7%	70.9%	60%	Significantly above
EE	25%	38.0%	65%	50%	Significantly above
EL	18%	21.9%	44%	39%	Significantly above
ES	20%	20.7%	47.9%	43%	Above
FI	38%	43.1%	51%	62%	Significantly below
FR	23%	19.3%	33%	44%	Significantly below
HR	20%	31.3%	42.5%	44%	Slightly below
HU	13%	14.1%	29%	34%	Significantly below
IE	16%	12.5%	34.1%	43%	Significantly below
IT	17%	19.0%	40.5%	39%	Slightly above
LT	23%	28.2%	55%	49%	Significantly above
LU	11%	11.7%	37%	37%	In line
LV	40%	42.1%	50%	61%	Significantly below
MT	10%	12.2%	11.5%	28%	Significantly below
NL	14%	13.0%	27%	39%	Significantly below
PL	15%	15.6%	23%-31%	32%	Significantly below
PT	31%	34.0%	49%	51%	Slightly below
RO	24%	23.6%	34%	41%	Significantly below
SE	49%	62.6%	65%	76%	Significantly below
SI	25%	25.0%	30%-35%	46%	Significantly below
SK	14%	17.4%	23%	35%	Significantly below

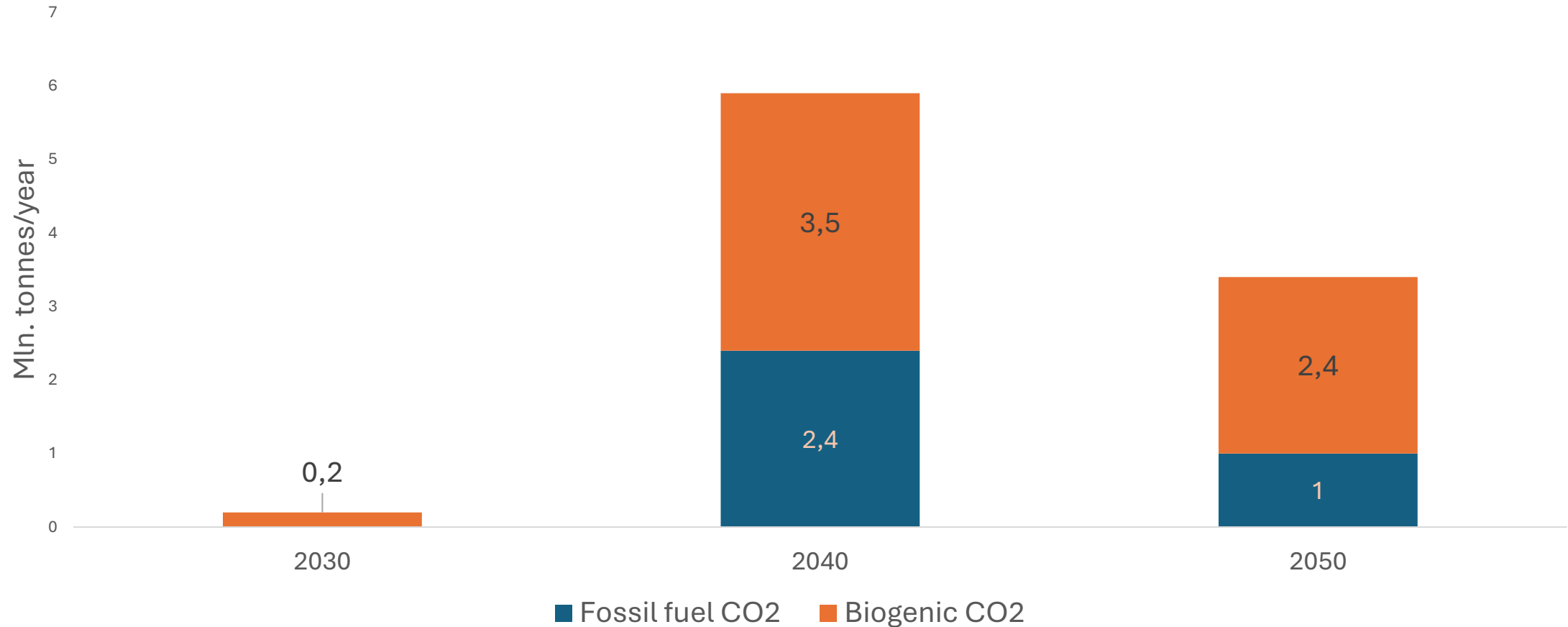
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Only 7 MS (DK, EE, EL, ES, IT, LT, LU) submitted a contribution in line with the expected national contribution.\*

Ambition put forward by MSs amounts to a RES share of **between 38.6% and 39.3%** in 2030 at Union level, lower than the binding target of **42.5%.\***

\*under the Governance Regulation and the revised RED II.

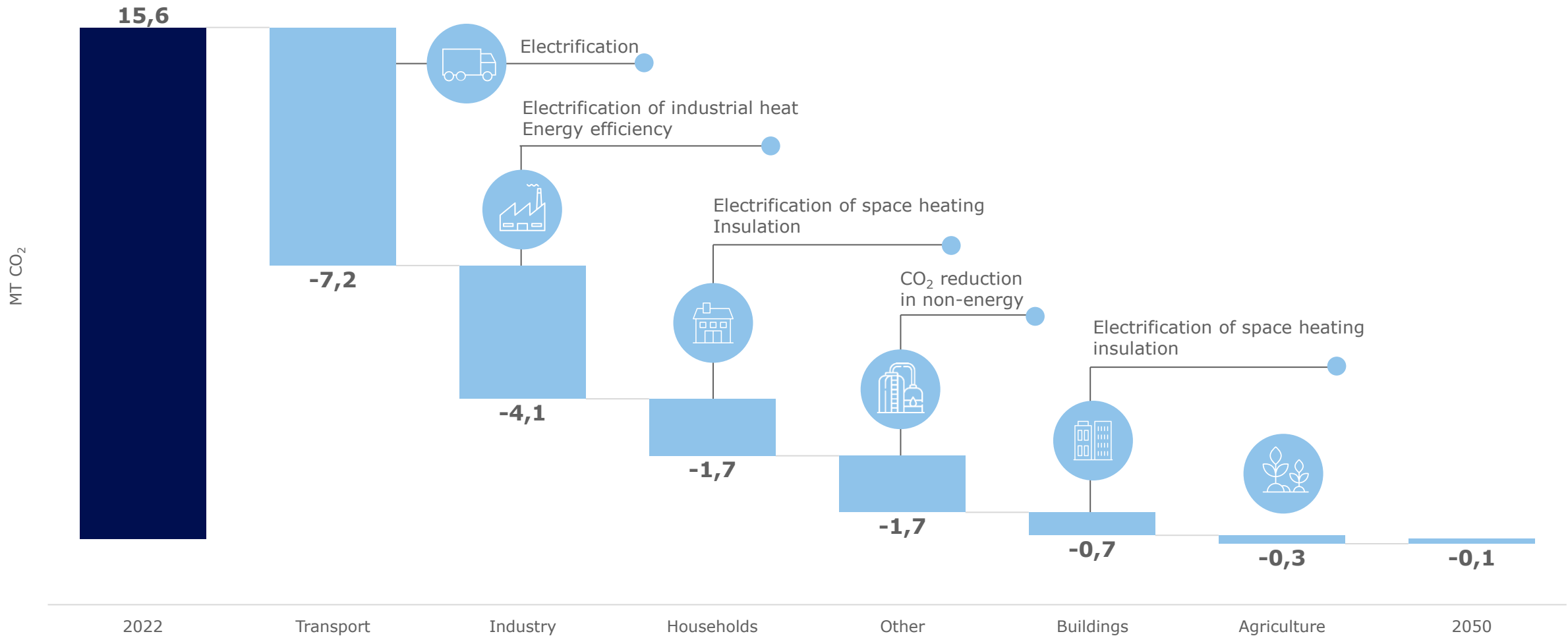
# CO2 CAPTURE POTENTIAL IN LITHUANIA



**Biggest potential for CO2 capturing will be around 2040.**  
**If decarbonization efforts succeeds, CO2 potential will gradually decrease over time.**

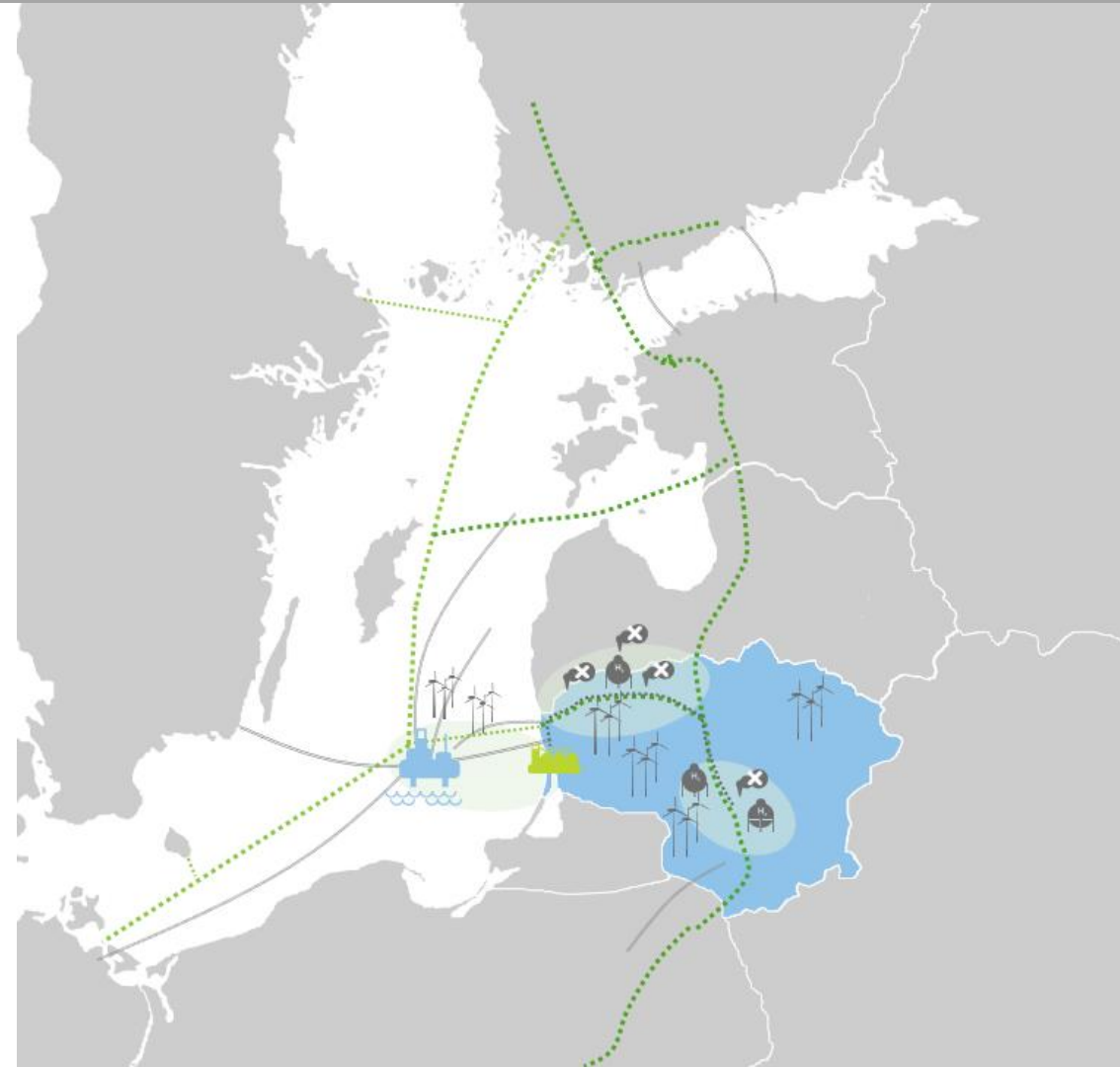
# CO2 EMISSIONS REDUCTION PER SECTOR UNTIL 2050

## Main decarbonization levers MtCO<sub>2</sub>e



## Key Roles of CCS in Lithuania's Energy Transition:

1. Diversifying the Energy Mix:
  - ✓ **Onshore and offshore wind**
  - ✓ **Solar power**
  - ✓ **Biomass**
  - ✓ **Hydrogen and Synthetic Fuels**
2. Contributing to Energy Security:
  - ✓ **reducing reliance on imported fossil fuels**
  - ✓ **building a CO<sub>2</sub> storage facilities**
3. Achieving Climate Goals While Ensuring Competitiveness – **Industrial carbon management**
4. Developing Cross-Border CCS Infrastructure

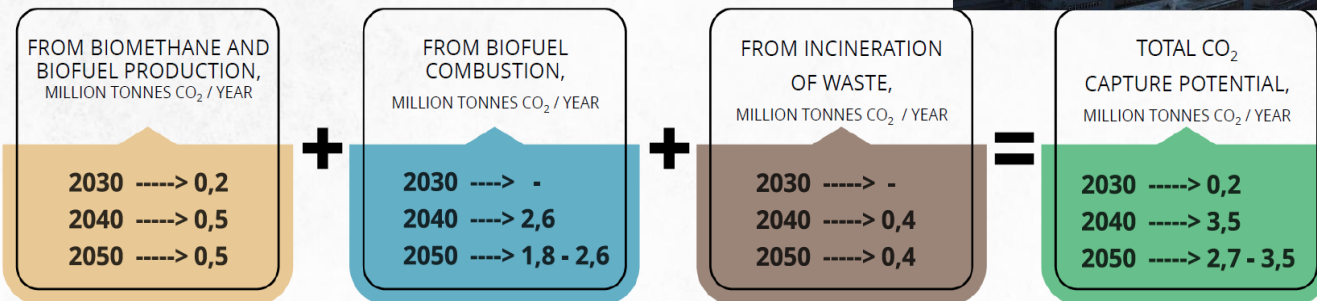


# THE MOST POTENTIAL BIOMETHANE OBJECTS FOR CO2 COLLECTION IN LITHUANIA



## LARGE-SCALE TO BE CONNECTED BIOMETHANE COMPANIES IN LITHUANIA

(the amount of biomethane transferred > 115 thousand tons; MWh/year)

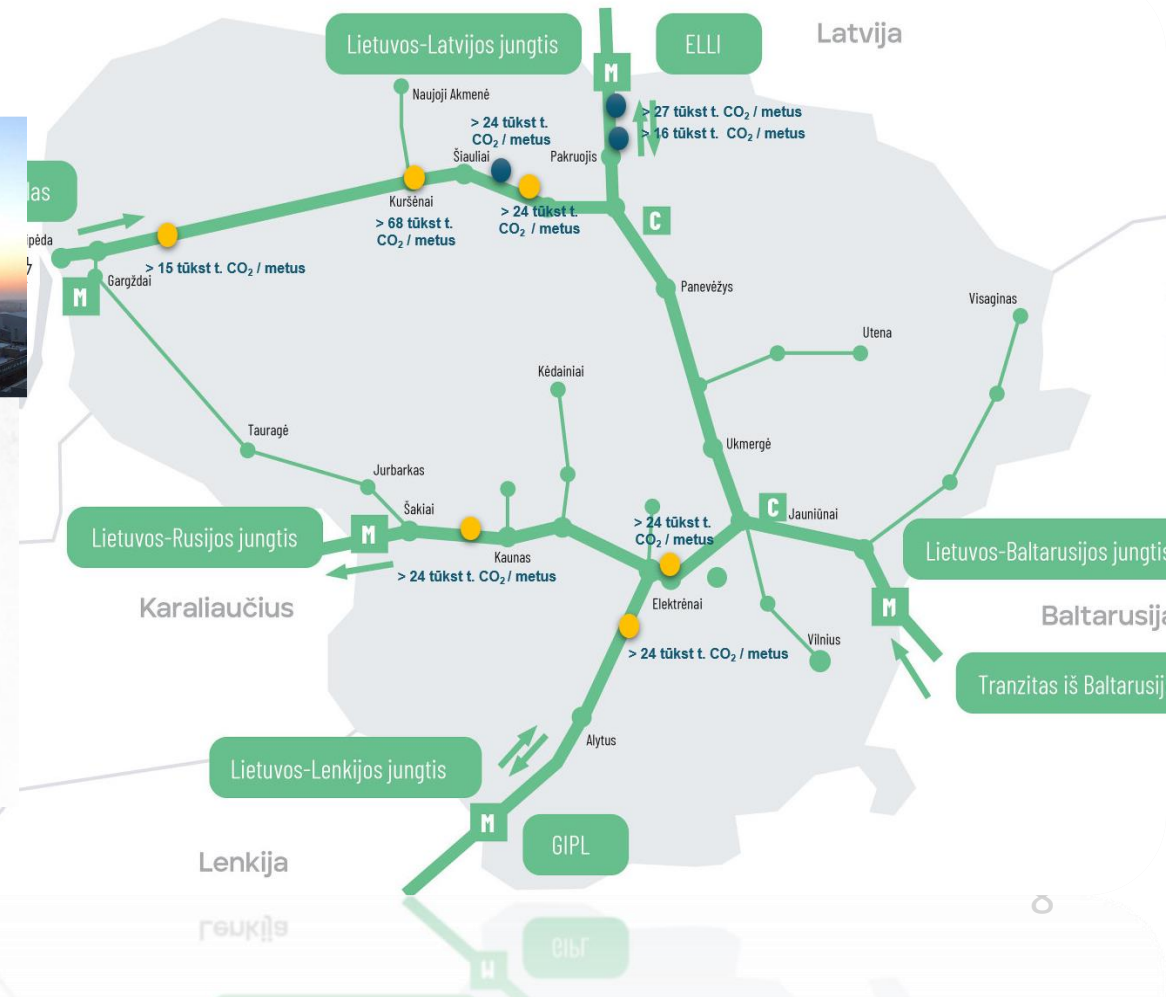


Biomethane, biofuels production companies

Major heat supply companies and heat producers. Also, Vilnius cogeneration power plant

Hybrid objects - that capture fossil CO<sub>2</sub> along with biogenic CO<sub>2</sub>

Includes all listed companies



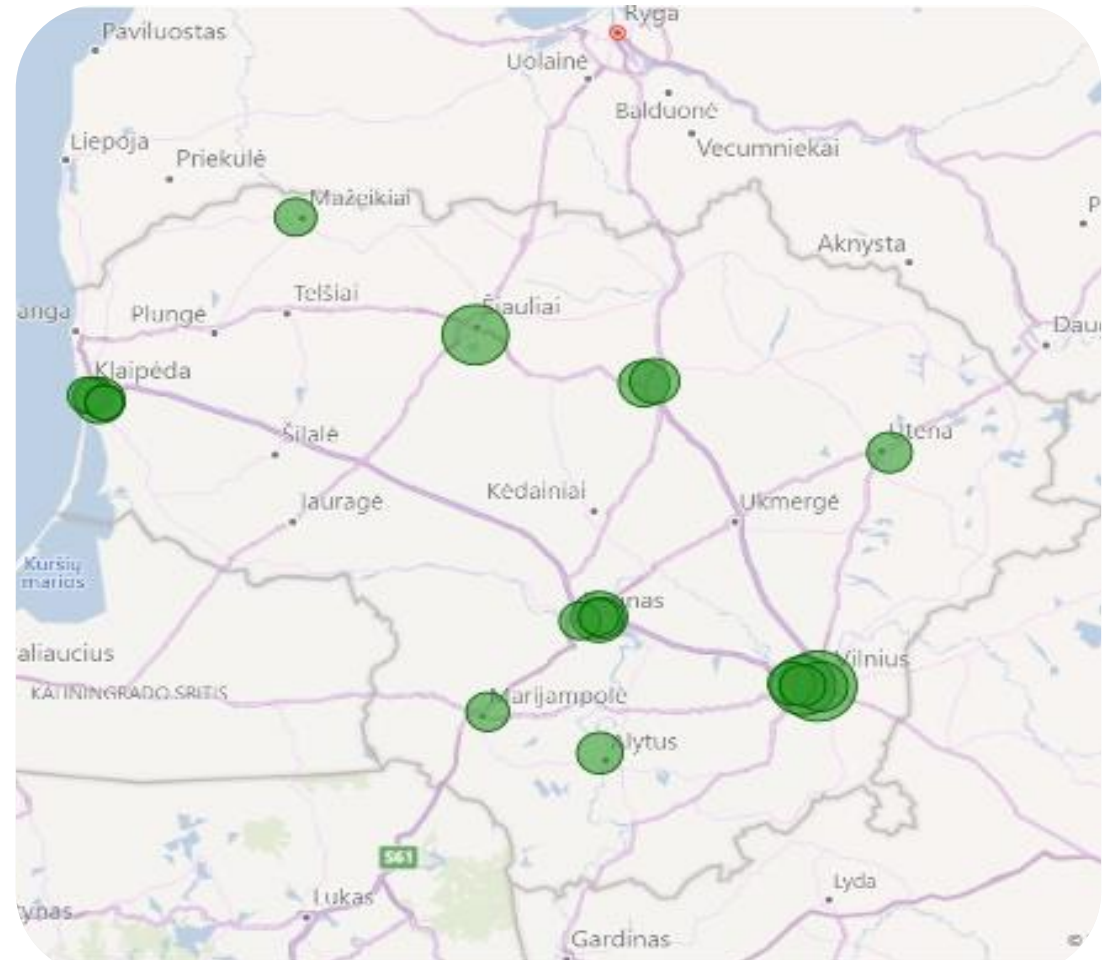


# BIOGENIC CO<sub>2</sub> CAPTURE FROM POTENTIAL CO<sub>2</sub> SOURCES IN LITHUANIA

- Lithuania's commitment to **reducing reliance on imported fossil fuels** requires developing domestic energy resources.
- By capturing CO<sub>2</sub> from existing energy production facilities, CCS ensures that Lithuania's energy system remains reliable during the transition to renewables.
- Additionally, **CO<sub>2</sub> storage facilities** and pipelines can become part of a **regional CCS network**, allowing Lithuania to store not only its own emissions but also those from neighbouring countries, creating new economic opportunities.

## THE MOST POTENTIAL BIOFUEL COMBUSTION OBJECTS FOR CO<sub>2</sub> COLLECTION IN LITHUANIA

(the share of biogenic CO<sub>2</sub> emitted by companies burning biofuels amounted to EUR 2.6 Mt.)



# SYNTHETIC FUEL PRODUCTION IN LITHUANIA

	Methanol	Sustainable aviation fuel and synthetic diesel (produced together)	Synthetic methane
Total production	<b>2,5 Mt</b> (14 TWh)	<b>1,85 Mt</b> (23 TWh)	<b>1,3 Mt</b> (17 TWh)
H <sub>2</sub> demand	<b>0,48 Mt</b>	<b>0,7 Mt</b>	<b>0,48 Mt</b>
Demand for electricity TWh (H <sub>2</sub> production and CO <sub>2</sub> capture)	<b>30 TWh</b>	<b>43 TWh</b>	<b>30 TWh</b>
CO <sub>2</sub> requirement for 1 t production	<b>1,4 t</b>	<b>3,1 - 4,1 t</b>	<b>2,8 t</b>
H <sub>2</sub> requirement for 1 t production	<b>0,19 t</b>	<b>0,25 - 0,36 t</b>	<b>0,38 t</b>

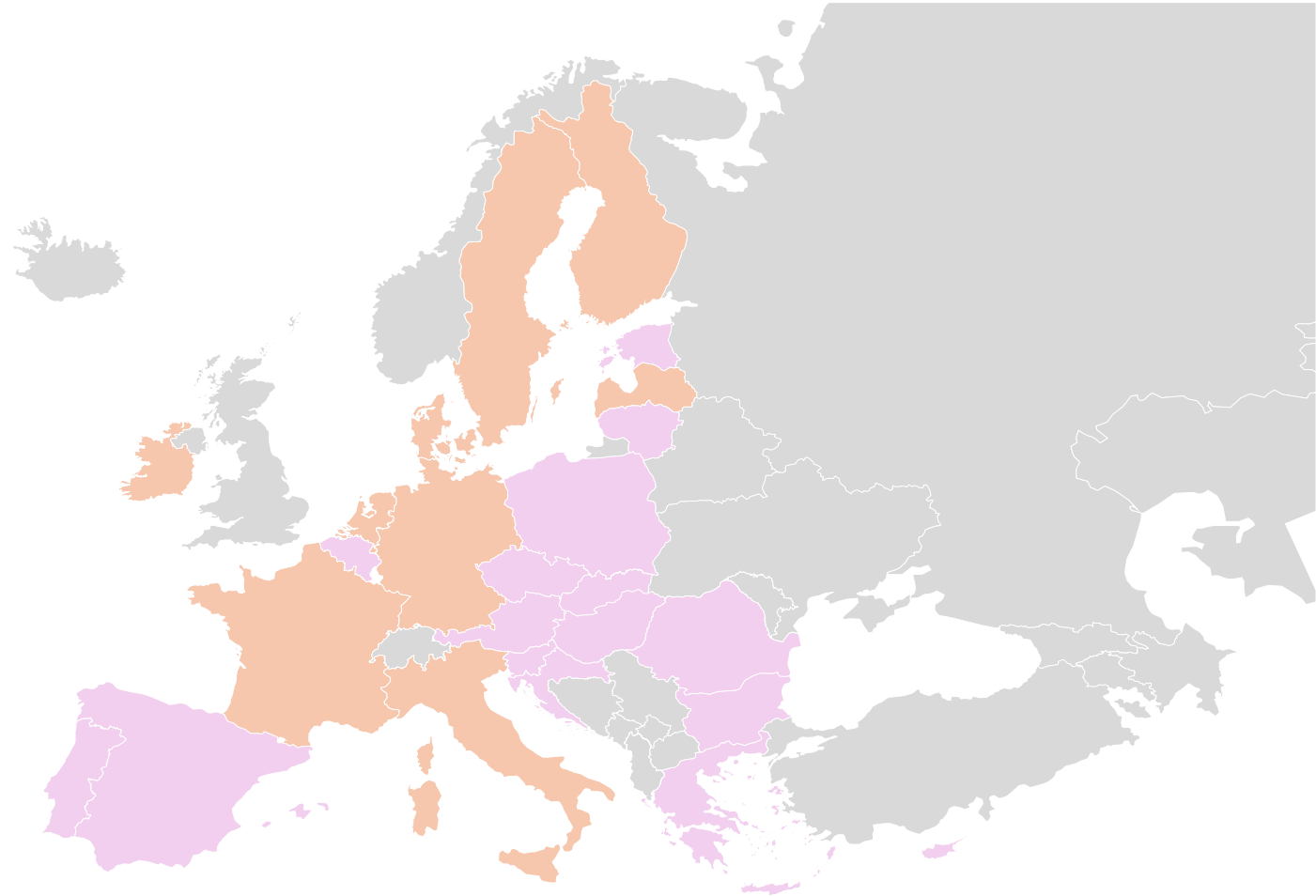
Source: Ambergrid AB study, 2024

## POTENTIAL SYNTHETIC FUELS PRODUCERS IN LITHUANIA



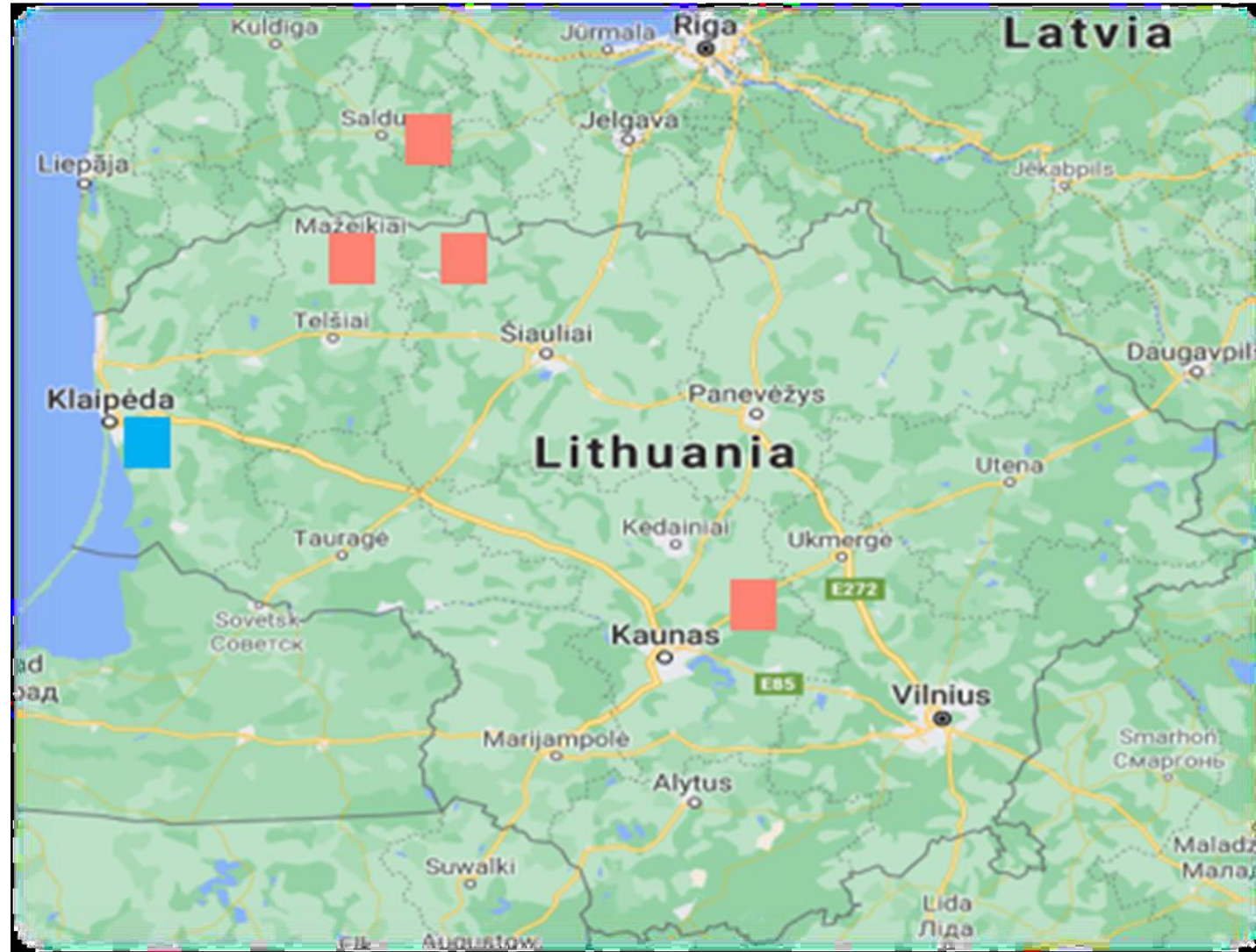
# ACHIEVING CLIMATE GOALS WHILE ENSURING COMPETITIVENESS

- CCS enables Lithuanian industries to comply with **EU climate regulations**, including the
- **EU Emissions Trading System (ETS)** and
- the **Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism (CBAM)**, without losing competitiveness
  
- The cost of **carbon taxes** and **carbon pricing mechanisms** is mitigated through CCS, allowing industries to remain operational in a low-carbon economy and avoid heavy penalties for emissions



# DEVELOPING CROSS-BORDER CCS INFRASTRUCTURE

- Lithuania's geographical location in the **Baltic Sea region** makes it well-positioned to develop **cross-border CO<sub>2</sub> transport and storage infrastructure**. By partnering with neighbouring countries, like Latvia and Poland, Lithuania could temporarily store CO<sub>2</sub> offshore, creating a network for regional decarbonization efforts.
- This infrastructure will also benefit from **EU funding mechanisms** like the **Innovation Fund** and **CEF**, which support the development of CCS projects across Europe.



# EU PERSPECTIVE ON CCS – NET-ZERO INDUSTRY ACT (NZIA)

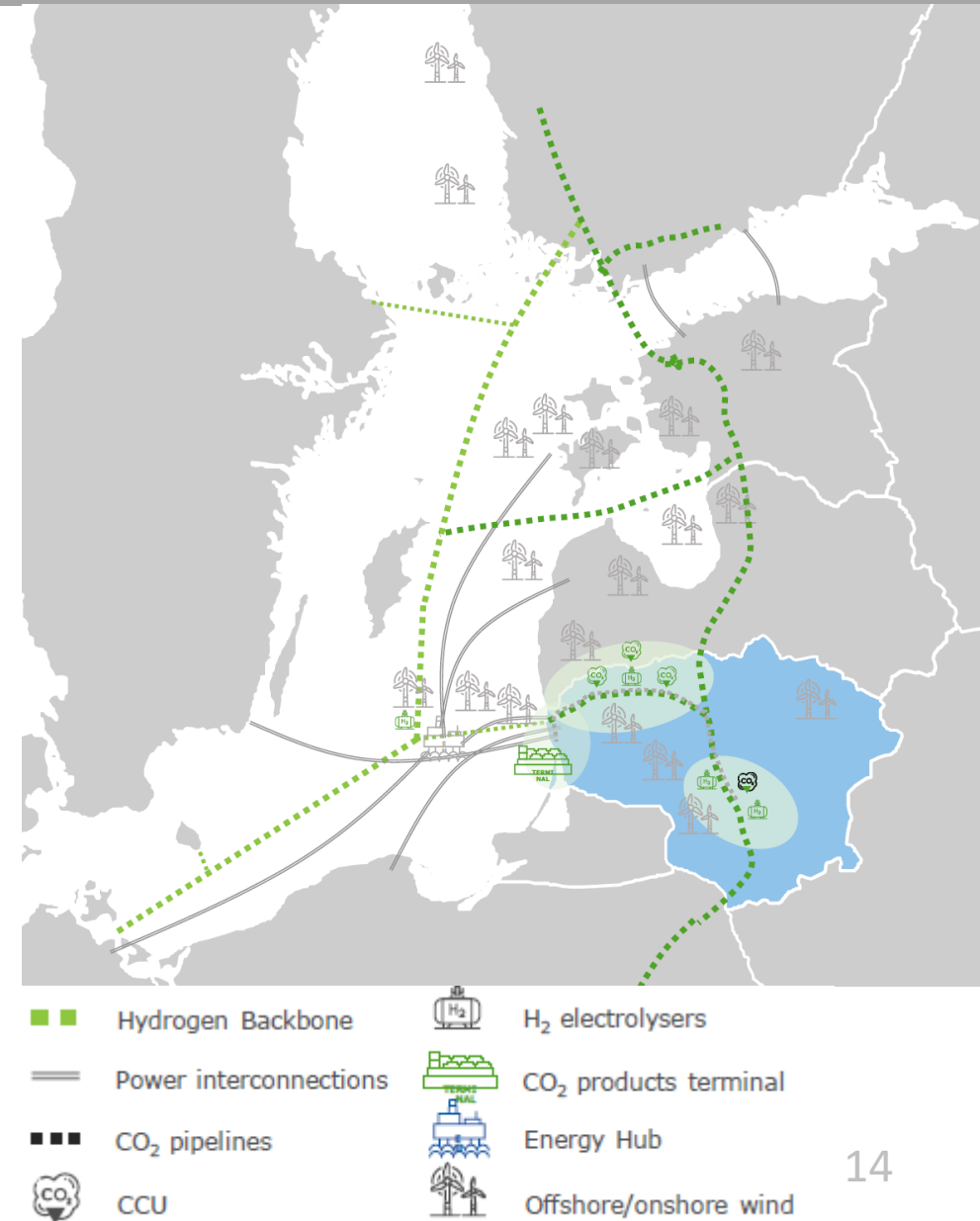
- **NZIA** is a key legislative measure introduced by the European Commission to **increase the competitiveness of Europe's net-zero industries** and boost the production of clean technologies, including CCS.
- The Act establishes a framework to **promote investment** in carbon management technologies by offering **regulatory support** and **streamlined permitting** processes.
- CCS is viewed as crucial for industries that cannot easily electrify, particularly in **energy-intensive sectors** like steel, cement, and chemicals.
- NZIA also emphasizes the development of **cross-border CO<sub>2</sub> transport and storage infrastructure**, aiming to create a **pan-European CCS network** by 2030.



The transport network will play a crucial role in enabling CO<sub>2</sub> to be transported to permanent storage sites  
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# FINANCIAL IMPACT ON LITHUANIA'S ENERGY TRANSITION

- The integration of CCS into Lithuania's energy transition will require significant investment but offers **long-term economic benefits**.
- **Initial Investments:** By 2050, Lithuania is projected to invest **€1.3 billion** in CCUS technologies, primarily in developing **CO<sub>2</sub> transport infrastructure** (pipelines)
- These investments **will focus on:**
  - Expanding **renewable energy capacity** (onshore/offshore wind and solar).
  - Building a robust **CO<sub>2</sub> transportation** infrastructure.
  - Developing **CCUS temporary storage** to decarbonize industries.



# SOCIO-ECONOMIC BENEFITS BY 2050



**Energy independence**

**100%**  
Electricity independency



**Energy export**

**1.4 TWh**  
Hydrogen exports  
**9.1 TWh**  
Zero carbon product exports



**100% decarbonisation**

**0 MT**  
Carbon emissions reached



**Industrial growth**

**4-11%**  
GDP growth  
**44,000-140,000**  
Jobs created



**Energy costs & affordability**

**-6,3 bln EUR**  
Reduction in annual operational costs (energy carriers & O&M)

# CURRENT AND FUTURE CCUS PROJECTS

## CCS BALTIC CONSORTIUM

The first CO<sub>2</sub> capture during cement production in the Baltic States



VILNIAUS KOGENERACINĖ JĖGAINĖ (VKJ)

Source: waste incineration and combustion of biofuels  
 Total CO<sub>2</sub>: 527 kt CO<sub>2</sub> / year  
 Bio-CO<sub>2</sub>: 445 kt CO<sub>2</sub> / year  
 (not before 2032)



KAUNO KOGENERACINĖ JĖGAINĖ (KKJ)

Source: waste incineration  
 Total CO<sub>2</sub>: 206 kt CO<sub>2</sub> / year  
 Bio-CO<sub>2</sub>: 87 kt CO<sub>2</sub> / year  
 (not before 2032)



AKMENĖS CEMENTAS

Source: cement production and waste incineration  
 Total CO<sub>2</sub>: 800 kt CO<sub>2</sub> / year  
 Bio-CO<sub>2</sub>: 120 kt CO<sub>2</sub> / year  
 (not before 2033)

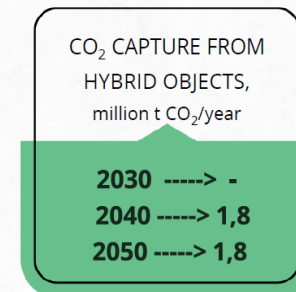


GREN KLAIPĖDA

Source: waste incineration  
 Total: 270 kt CO<sub>2</sub> / year  
 Bio-CO<sub>2</sub>: 121 kt CO<sub>2</sub> / year  
 (timeframe not defined)



- Lithuania is actively pursuing CCUS pilot projects, such as those integrated with hydrogen production and heavy industries.
- By 2050, Lithuania aims to invest approximately **€9 billion** in H<sub>2</sub> production, CCUS technologies, including the development of **CO<sub>2</sub> pipelines** and **storage sites**.
- These projects will enable Lithuania to meet its **energy independence** and **carbon-neutrality goals** while also supporting regional efforts to reduce emissions.



€ 1,2 billion

Indicative level of investment for the capture of 1.8 Mt CO<sub>2</sub>/year of fossil and biogenic CO<sub>2</sub> from hybrid objects



# CONCLUSION AND NEXT STEPS

- ✓ **CCUS is critical** to Lithuania's energy future, enabling the country to meet its decarbonization targets while maintaining economic growth and industrial competitiveness.
  - ✓ *"Feasibility study on the use of CO<sub>2</sub> capture and storage, hydrogen and other innovative technologies in Lithuanian industrial enterprises operating in the most negatively affected areas" (Ministry of Economy and Innovations)*
- ✓ Continued investment, international cooperation, and policy support will be needed to scale CCUS technologies.

Stages of the CO<sub>2</sub> capture, transport, storage and utilisation value chain:

- **by 2030** - the first biogenic carbon capture and deployment projects for synthetic green fuels have been implemented;
- **by 2040** - the first projects for the capture of carbon dioxide at large combustion plants of biofuels and/or waste have been implemented;
- **by 2050** - fossil fuel carbon emissions from hard-to-abate companies, are equal to the carbon content they capture (becoming climate-neutral companies);

National Strategy for Energy Independence, 2024

Lithuania is well-positioned to become a **regional leader in carbon management and renewable energy.**

**Thank you for your attention**

