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# Exploring the Prospects of Greener Gas & Energy Value Chains as value added commodities Constantinos Chaelis, Global Gas Markets & Technology Lead

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LR Gas Governance

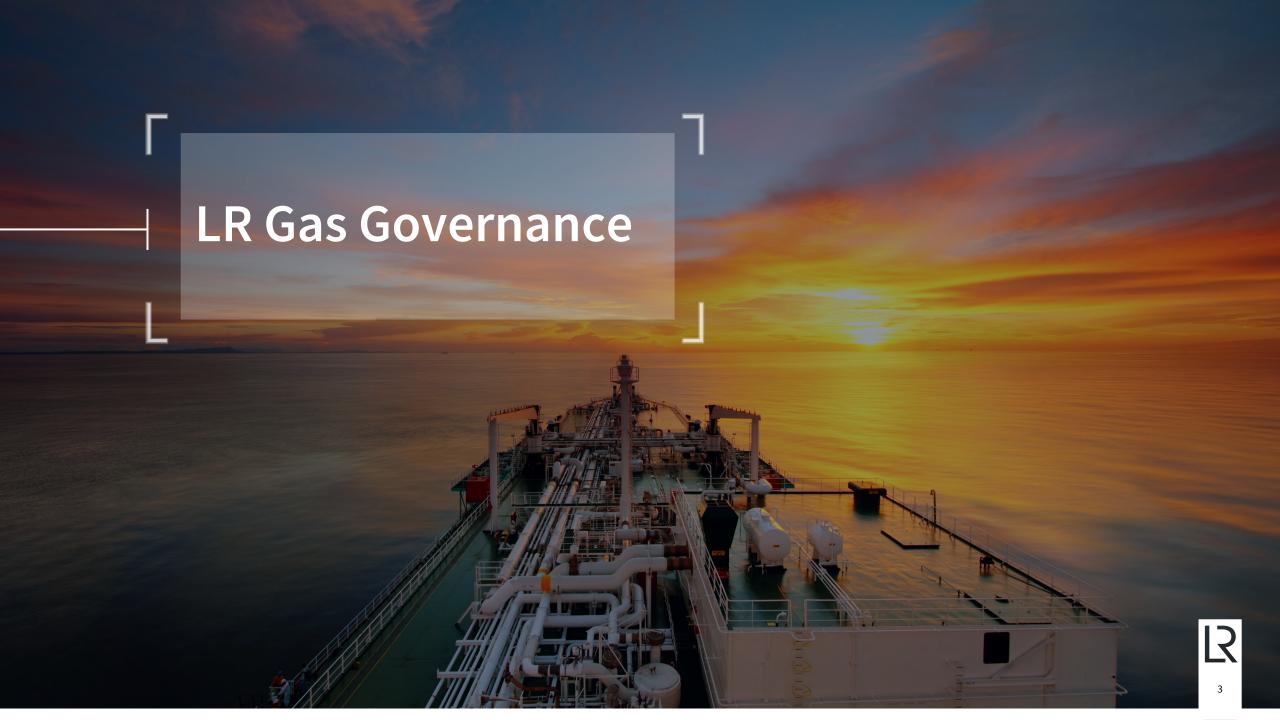
Greener Gas

Upscaling of Blue Ammonia

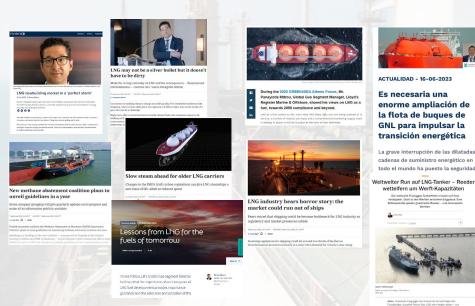
Closing the Carbon Dioxide Cycle

Concluding Remarks





### More than Class - Acting As Thought Leaders



### Global Gas Presence & Expertise

Technical expertise

#### LR Gas Segment Team | Global Presence



Global Gas Segment

Director, Athen:

Marine Engineer Diploma

ALBA Business School and

from NTUA, MBA from

PhD candidate at Uni

•Fellow member of ICS

Member of the Board

of SEA-LNG, the Global

of Strathclyde.

Joined LR in 2005

•Naval Architect &



Global Gas

Technology Director,

·Represents IACS within

•Joined LR in 1991

specialised advice

and consultancy

studies HAZID/HAZOF

technology projects.

specialised technical

support to gas new

SIGTTO Organisation

during innovation, R&D

and risk assessment of gas





Principle Gas Specialist,

Shanghai

Joined LR in 2001

\*Over 20-years' experie

throughout China, Korea

Project Manager since

both China and Korea

2010, covering projects in

New Construction Project

Manager for BP, Alpha Gas

and Avance Gas projects in in both Japan &

as a Senior Surveyor

and the Middle East





Technology Manager,

·Holds a Class One Marine

Chief Engineer on LNGC
•Specialist in LNG ship

following extended periods

operation and the LNGO

Engineer Certification and

Joined LR in 1996

Leicester University

an MBA from



Global Gas

Technology Specialist,

Re-joined LR in 2022

•26+ years in Gas

Gas Carriers, Gas





Athens





































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Superintendent experience Aframax Tanker Fleet

Marine Engineer, MEng from NTUA, Greece Methane Abatemen Innovation Initiative (MAMii) Workstream (AutoCAD, NAPA, Rhino) on LNG-fuelled design & retrofit projects as par of Poseidon Med II

# **LR Gas Segment**

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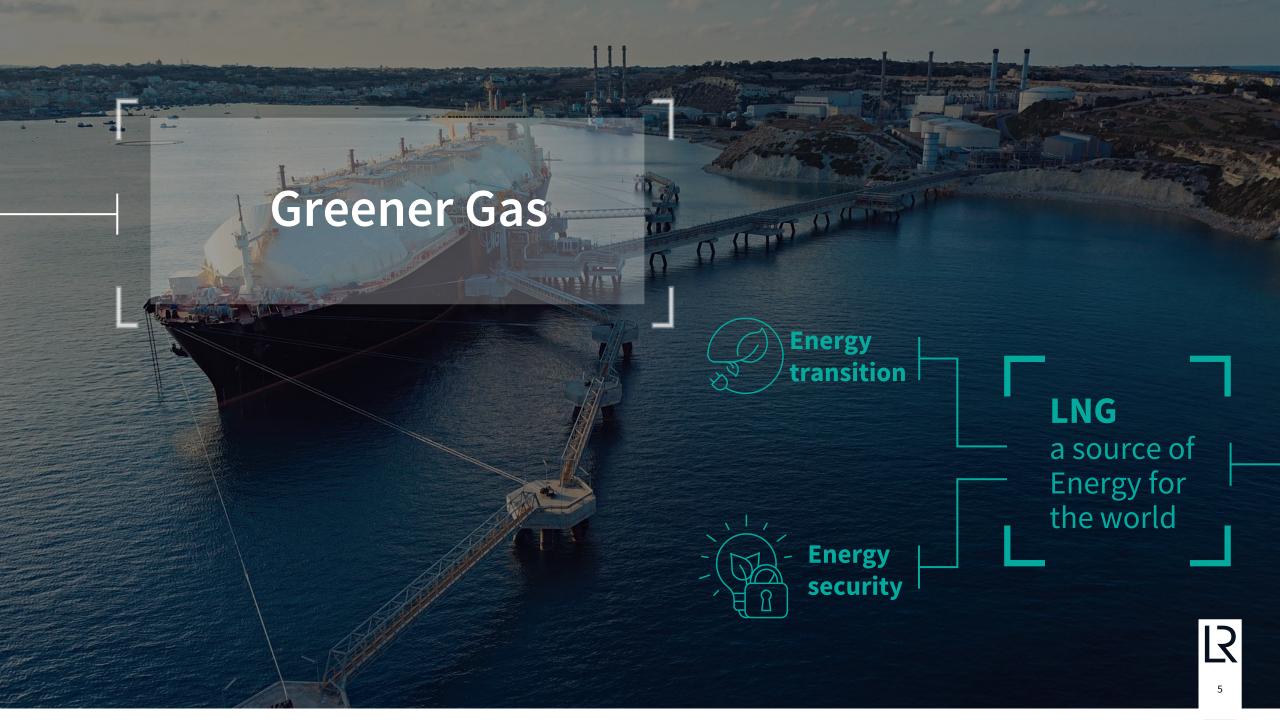






**Board Member Board Member** 

Chairing Maritime Working Group



### **Certified Greener Gas**

Coal to Gas shift does not work

#### 5% increase

Global use of coal reached over 8 billion tonnes with a 5% year-on-year increase, equating to just 400 million tonnes, as much as current global LNG trade

### Making Gas as Sustainable as Possible

Compliance for EU importers tightening with newly enforced EU methane regulations and emissions-related reporting requirements

Applied pressure from national/regional carbon pricing systems e.g. EU Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism (CBAM)

Growing demand on producing & exporting certified, greener natural gas and verifying methane emissions performance in operations e.g. National Grid operated Grain LNG terminal e.g. EQT supplying 4bcf of MiQ certified NG to Uniper

Differentiating greener gas based on emissions profile and demonstrating potential through transparency for full supply chain emissions reporting

Reducing upstream (production, processing, transportation) CO2 & CH4 emissions during liquefaction on WtT basis

Providing improved key attributes of LNG as an added value cargo commodity

By performing lifecycle analysis (**LCA**) on a **Well to Tank** basis, LNG will demonstrate to be 'cleaner' than default LNG

#### Not all LNG is Created Equal

GHG footprint will become the single, most important attribute in the use of LNG as marine fuel

#### Improved & certified LNG profile

- CII compliance extension
- Flexible operations and trading
- Reduced Carbon Costs
- Opportunity in LNG Bunkering Space







### The LNG Transition Portfolio

### **Methane Abatement**

Realizing the full carbon saving potential of LNG

### **Certified Greener LNG**

Extending savings to the full potential of WtT

### **Bio-LNG Blending**

Ensuring incremental compliance

Bio-LNG (LBM, LBG) - Liquefied Biogas or Biomethane

e-LNG - Hydrogen derived methane or renewable synthetic LNG

### **Carbon Capturing & Storage**

Greening liquefaction by capturing CO2 emissions at source

























## **Ammonia Landscape & Prospects**

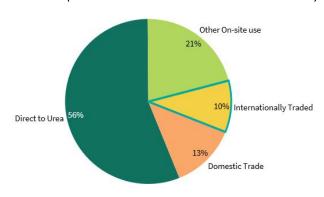
### **Upcoming Gas Value & Supply Chain**

- Co-firing of coal plants in Japan testing Ammonia as fuel and source of electricity generation
- ❖ Each Power Plant -> 4 boiler units in need of 0.5mpta of NH3 combustion
   -> 2mpta of NH3 needed per Power Plant

Blue Ammonia production
CO2 capture & storage/sequestration
Exporting an added value low-carbon commodity & energy carrier



**20 MTPA** international trade volume out of **200 MTPA** currently produced Only 10% of ammonia production is traded (over half turned into urea in situ)



#### **Project Examples**

- ❖ Qatar to build **blue NH3 plant** to produce **1.2mtpa** by 2026 by capturing & sequestrating over 1.5 million tonnes of CO2 per year
- ❖ UAE to **build blue NH3 plant** to produce **1mtpa** by 2025, aiming to capture & store 5 million tonnes of CO2 per year by 2030

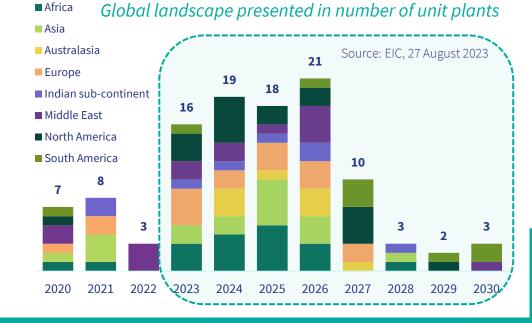
### **Demand** – Shipping side

Over **100 ammonia carriers** with capacity >80k cbm may be required by **2030**, capable of transporting over **8 MTPA** of cargo

### **Next generation clean energy source**

- NH3 as **fuel** powering propulsion
- NH3 transportation as commodity
- NH3 in gas thermal power plants

#### Ammonia/Fertiliser Plants Expansion Projections



# **Trading Patterns**

# **Ammonia trade today**

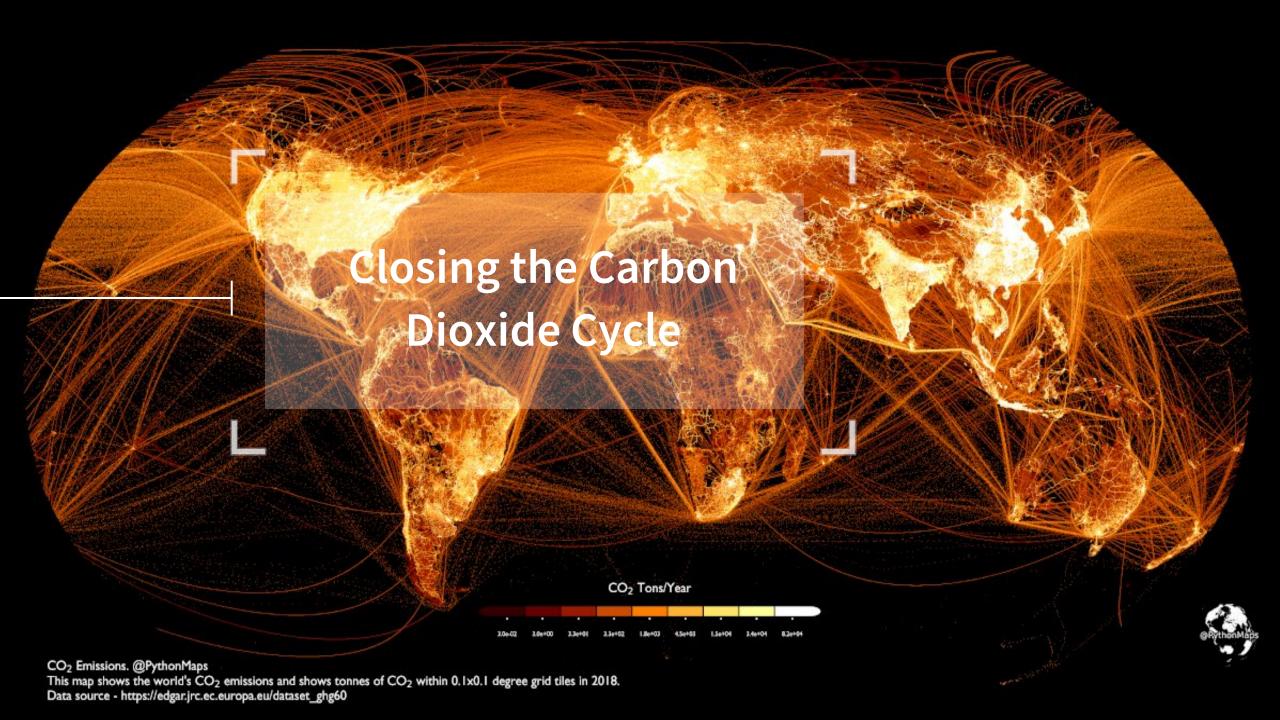
Centred on fertilisers, with >67% of global exports accounted for by 5 players. Limited long-haul trade and no desire for larger parcel sizes. Only major long-haul trade\* is 800 ktpa from MEG to NE Asia and 1.3 mtpa Transatlantic

# 1.9mT 1.3mT 0.8mT 1.4mT 0.8mT 1.4mT

# **Ammonia trade by 2040**

Long-haul trade will go from 2.1 mtpa to 25 mtpa by 2030 and 200 mtpa by 2050 under high case forecasts

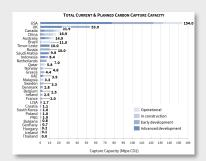


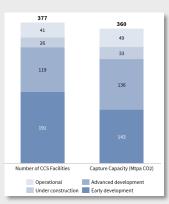


### **Carbon Value Chain**

### Market Analysis approach

#### **CAPTURE**





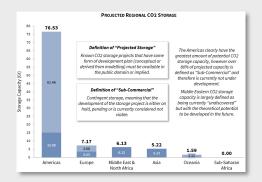
Regional & national capture capacity

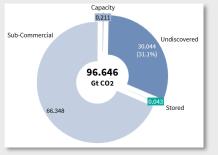


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Regional & national storage capacity & CO2 usage

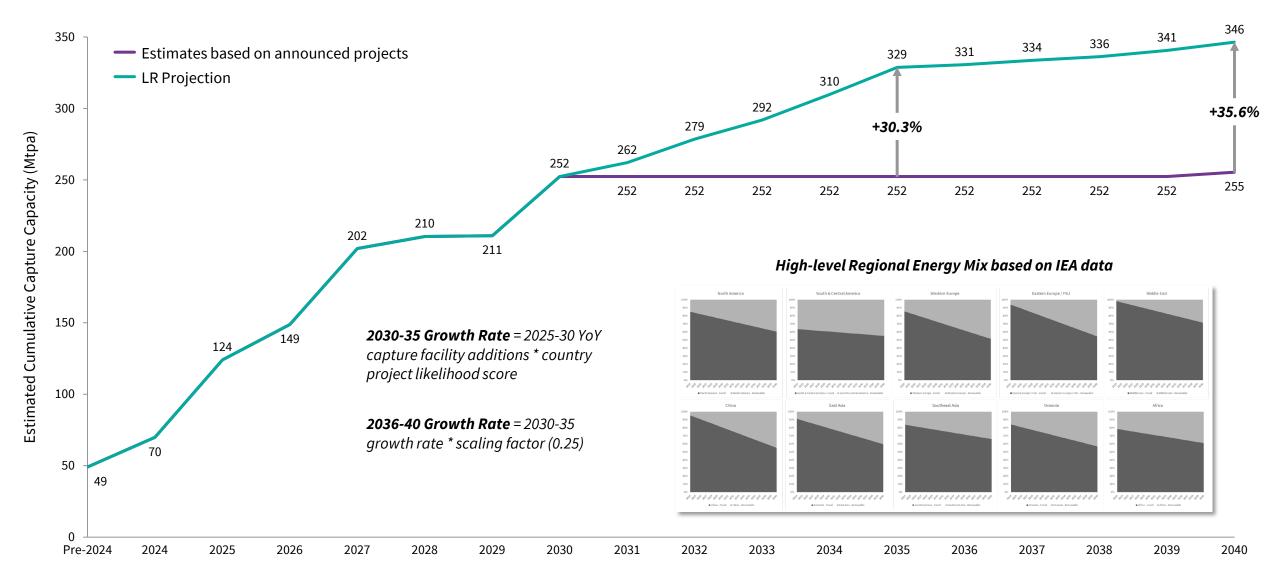




**PROJECT PARTNERS** 

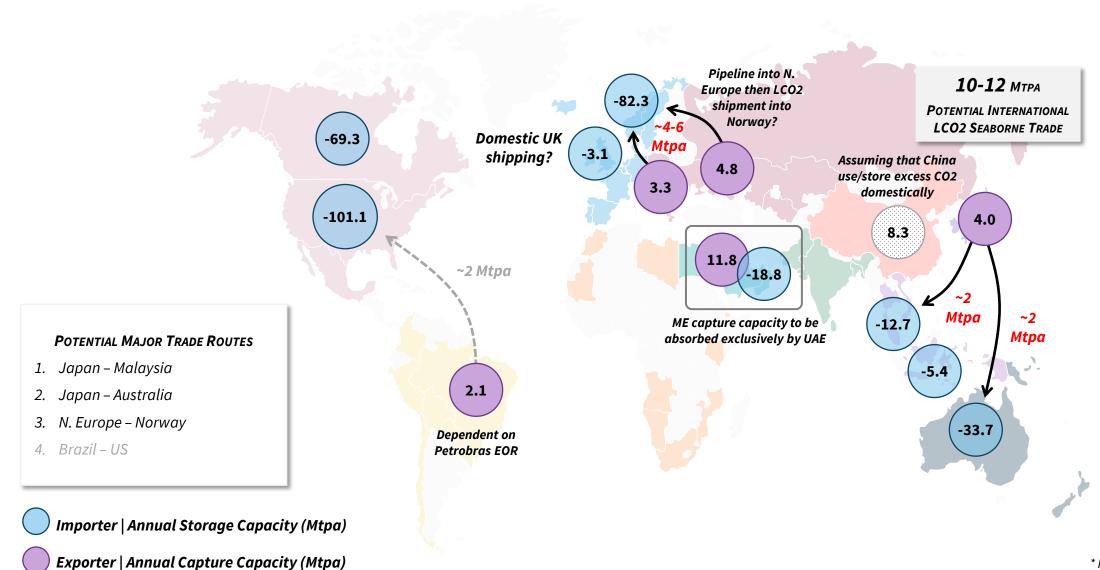
## **Global Carbon Capture Capacity**

Regional Capture-Storage Imbalance: 2030 vs 2040 | Estimating 346 mpta of carbon captured by 2040

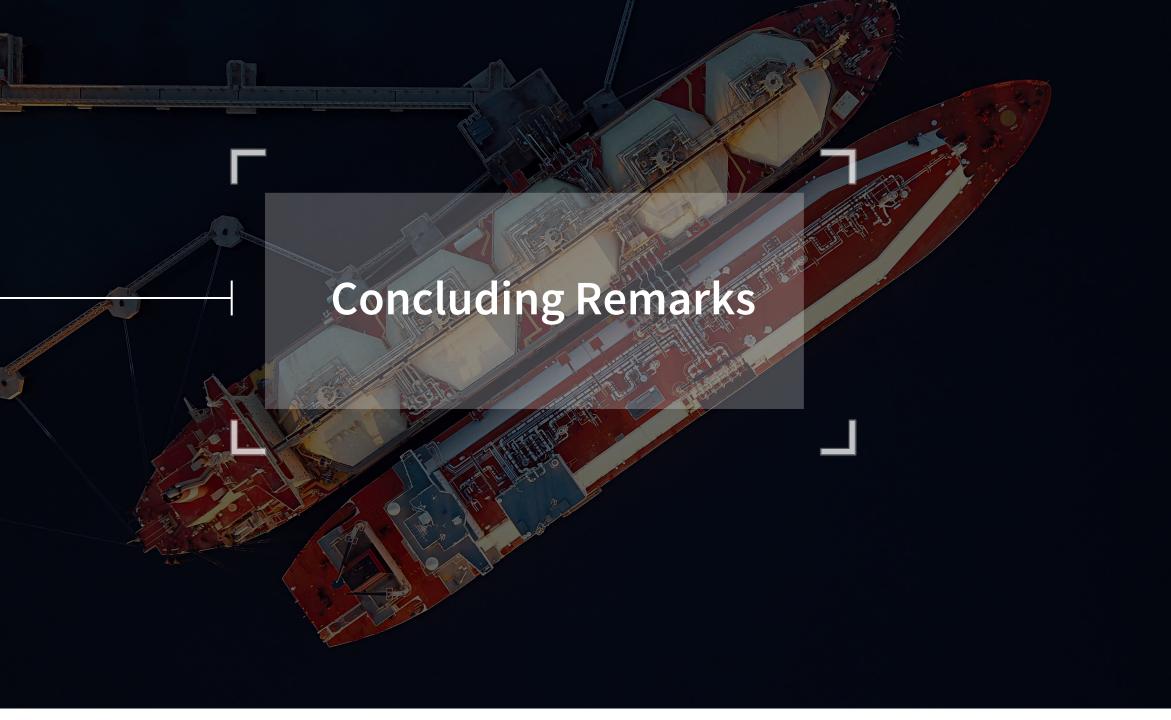


# **LCO2** Capture-Storage Balances: 2030

A distinct trading profile begins to emerge in 2030 with Japan, Europe and potentially Brazil having excess captured carbon



<sup>\*</sup> Pipeline into N. Europe then LCO2 shipment into Norway? 14



# **Concluding Remarks**

- > Future gas value chains will compete over transition performance
- The LNG value chain presents significant greening potential with green liquefaction and CO2 capturing at source
- > Blue ammonia presents a prospect in greening gas reserves at source
- Carbon value chain represents the greatest prospect and synergy in recycling carbon and greening existing hydrocarbons
- Gas & Energy value chain synergies will formulate and shape transition compliant applications

