



## **Uniper Energy Storage Making Hydrogen Storage a Reality**

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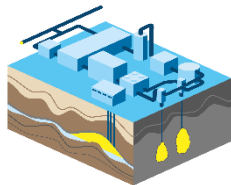
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# Uniper Energy Storage – at a glance

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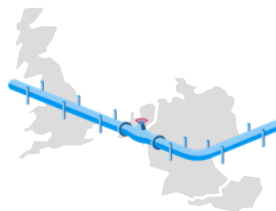
Energy Storage

= 9 x



Gas Storage facilities

4 x



Connected Market areas

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80 TWh



Total gas storage capacity

## Market leader:

We are the **largest gas storage operator in Germany**

## Energy transition:

We are essential for the energy transition to **guarantee the necessary flexibility** for the renewable energy system.

## Hydrogen:

Uniper Energy Storage has the **greatest potential in Europe** for storing hydrogen in caverns.

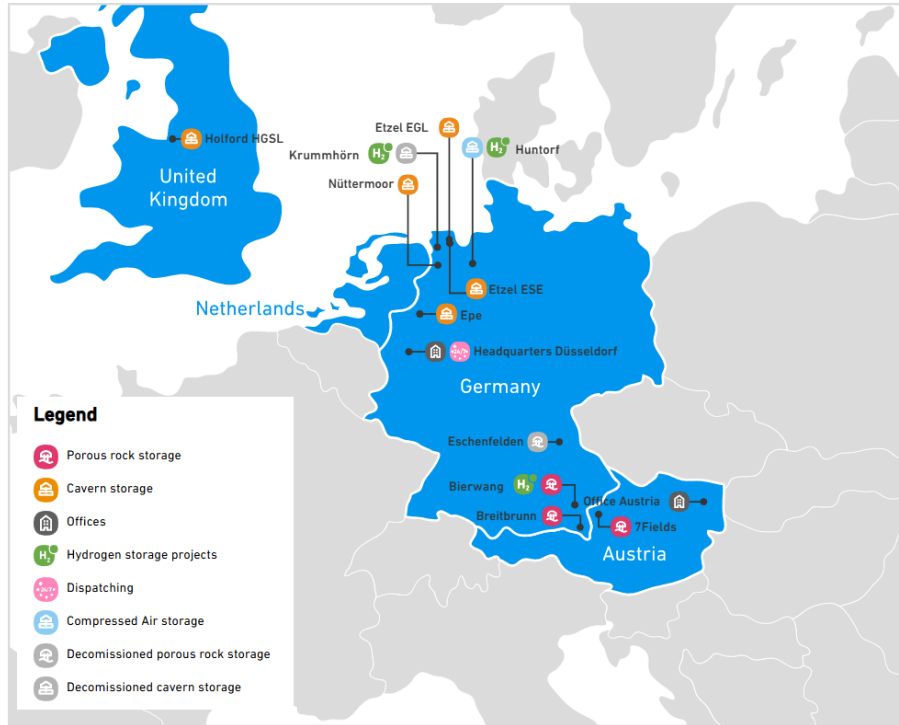
## Security of supply:

Natural gas storage facilities are an **indispensable component** for security of supply - today and in the future.

## Climate neutrality:

We are **proactively developing** our operations, our systems and our products towards climate neutrality.

# Storage sites & hydrogen projects



## Working Gas Volume

	in TWh
Cavern Storage GER / UK	41.4
Porous Rock Storage GER / AT	39.2
Total	80.6

# Uniper has a long history of investigating geological storage and Hydrogen

## Uniper Research Projects

- HyUnder (2012 – 2014)
- H2STORE (2012 – 2015)
- HyINTEGER (2016 – 2019)
- H2\_ReacT (2020 – 2022)
- Bio-UGS (2020 – 2023)
- CABISABO (since 2019)
- Hystories (since 2020)
- HyUSPRe (since 2021)
- SAMUH2 (since 2021)
- H2-Readiness of Subsurface Steel (since 2022)
- DVGW, DGMK, BVEG, GSE
- ...

## Uniper Pilot Projects

Electro-  
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Finalized



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Porous  
Rocks  
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Ongoing



Caverns  
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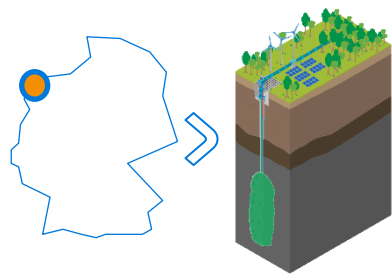


- Done: Main technical components individually assessed
- Done: Safety, handling & reliability proven
- To Do: Interaction of components & partners & authorities
- To Do: Performance under commercial conditions

# HPC Krummhörn – Key Facts

**Hydrogen Pilot Cavern (HPC):** Testing of hydrogen storage operation, technology and permitting in a real environment at a demonstration plant.

➤ Development of a storage solution for green hydrogen on a commercial scale, also at other locations. Understanding of the approval procedures and requirements

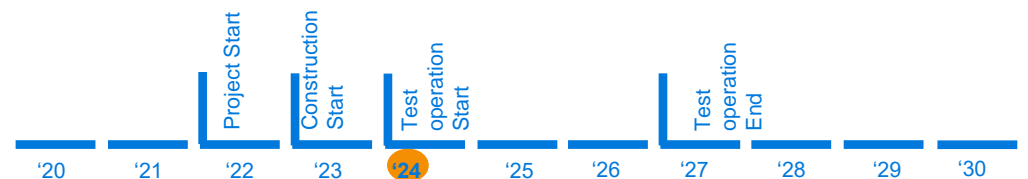


**3,000** m<sup>3</sup>

Geometric Volume  
(500,000 m<sup>3</sup>H<sub>2</sub> @ 60 – 245 bar)

**1,300** MWh

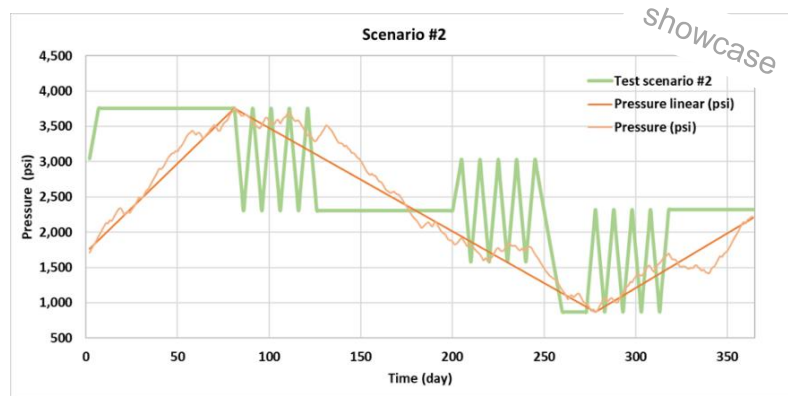
Working Gas Capacity  
(370,000 m<sup>3</sup>H<sub>2</sub> @ 1,500 m<sup>3</sup>/h)



No commercial operation



# A test operation phase will follow, comprising a measurement & investigation program



## Material tests for hydrogen readiness

- Investigation of installation and steel (laboratory tests, tests in situ)
- Investigation of plastics, polymers (laboratory tests, tests in situ)
- Investigation of special components (packer, SCSSV, etc.)

## Services

- Application of typical E&P Services under hydrogen-atmosphere
- Investigation of feasibility to perform services like surveys, snubbing-works, integrity tests, etc.

## Quality of withdrawn hydrogen

- Determination of H<sub>2</sub> quality during injection / after withdrawal
- Investigation of chemical / microbial effects

## Thermodynamics, simulation of process parameters

- Determination of the cavern temperature behaviour for different operating scenarios.
- Checking / calibrating the operating simulation software



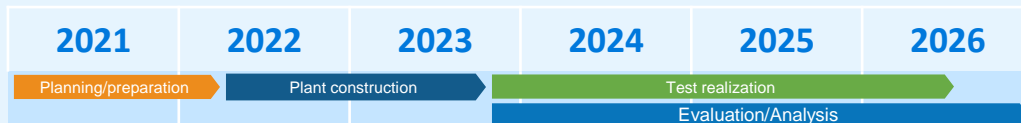
# Research project - HyStorage



## Effect of H<sub>2</sub> in porous rock

Investigation of the influence of different hydrogen concentrations on porous rock layers.

## Timetable



## Research Questions

- Is it possible to store hydrogen in a porous rock formation ?
- Which processes are relevant in the operation of large-scale underground hydrogen storages?

# HyStorage - Testing concept



Test scheme: 2 weeks injection – 3 months storage – 2 weeks withdrawal

Test 1.1:

Fundamental feasibility review

- Natural gas with **5 % H<sub>2</sub>**

Test 1.2:

Validation of Test 1.1

- Natural gas with **5 % H<sub>2</sub>**

Test 2:

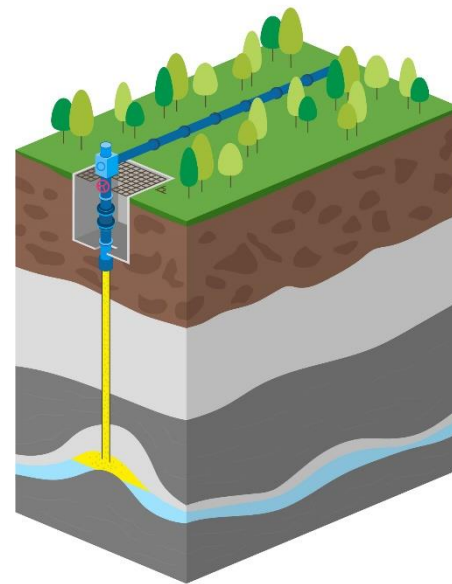
Comparability with other international industrial applications

- Natural gas with **10 % H<sub>2</sub>**

Test 3:

Preparation for future applications

- Natural gas with **25 % H<sub>2</sub>**





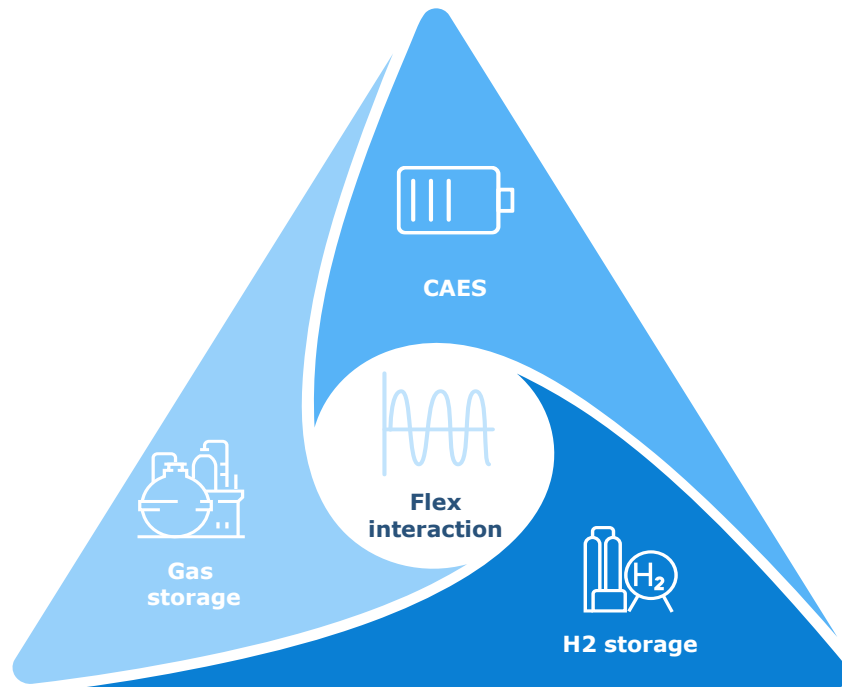
# Results



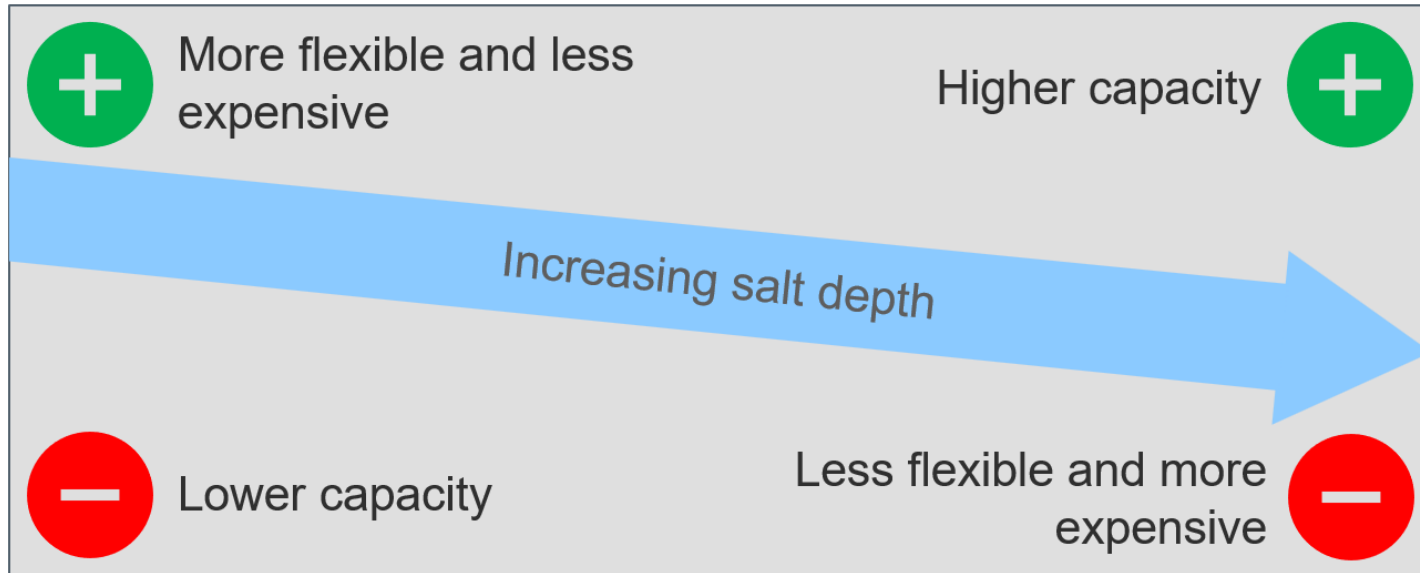
- Phase 2 with 10% H<sub>2</sub> in the natural gas mixture successfully withdrawn from the reservoir.
- 95% of the injected hydrogen recaptured.
- No significant microbial reactions observed.
- No incidents or obstacles during the production.
- Quality of reservoir model predictions very good



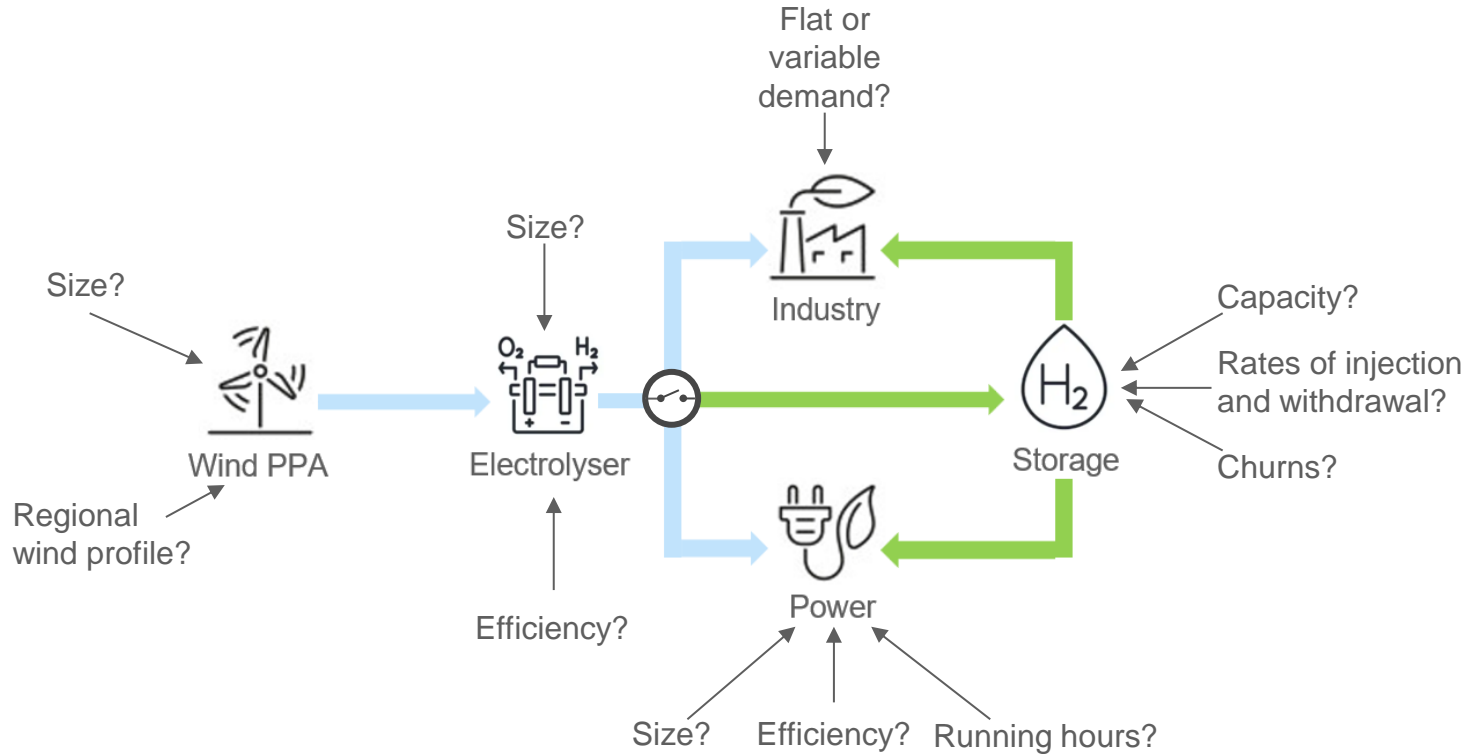
# Salt Caverns Provide Flexibility and Security in all Scenarios



# Linking Salt to the Storage Product



# Linking the Storage Product to the Market



# How do we make it happen?

- Maintain investor confidence in government support
- Future-proof storage products by prioritising flexibility and scalability
- A system-based approach for both hydrogen and green dispatchable power
- Mitigate both technical and DEVEX risks
- Fast-track consenting – including early co-operation with health and safety regulators

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