



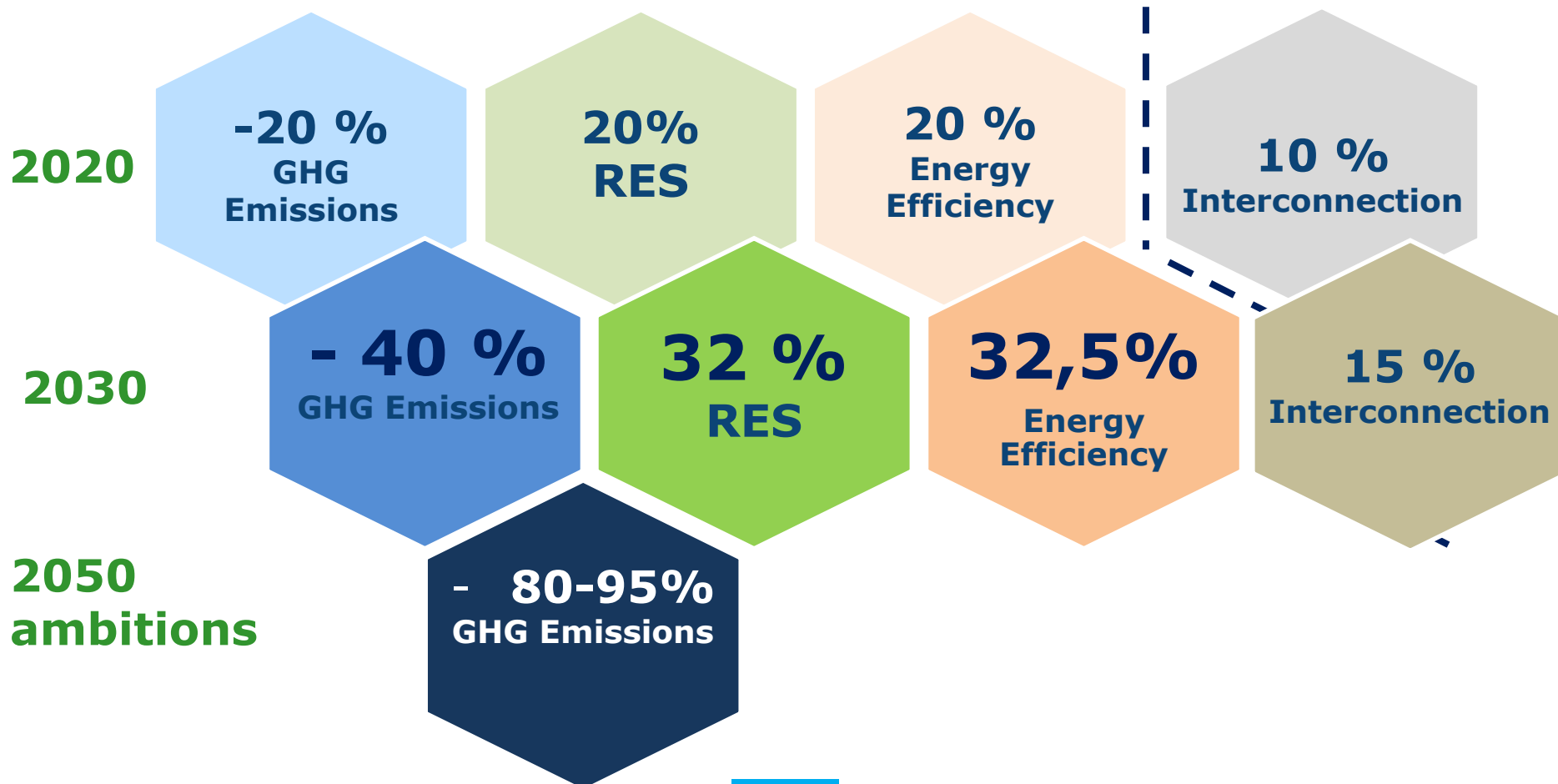
# Accelerating the energy transition

## *EU perspective*



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# European Climate & Energy Targets



# The EU energy system in transition

- The EU's goal is 80-95% decarbonisation by 2050...
- ...and should even reach 100% by 2050 to stay within 1,5°C
- This means 'renewables first', with remaining fossil fuel and carbon intensive industries fully decarbonised through CCUS
- Remaining fossil fuel power plants must be highly flexible to back-up and balance these fluctuating renewables
- A 'systems approach' addressing electricity, heating, smart grids, transport and energy-intensive industry
- Deep electrification of transport and industry requires sector coupling

# Hydrogen is a key part of the energy transition

**We need smart solutions for:**

- **Renewable hydrogen**
- **Low carbon hydrogen from natural gas with CCS**
- **Hydrogen in an integrated energy system (power, heat and transportation)**
- **Hydrogen in CO<sub>2</sub>-intensive industry processes (e.g. steel)**
- **Power-to-X (gas, liquids, chemicals)**
- **Utilisation of captured CO<sub>2</sub> (CCU)**
- **Hydrogen as a long-term, large-scale energy storage**

# Research & Innovation is key

- **We need to accelerate the energy transition**
- **Horizon 2020 addresses all enabling technologies for deep decarbonisation**
- **Horizon Europe will strengthen this through a stronger cross-sectoral design and approach**
- **Preparations for Horizon Europe are ongoing**

# R&I Initiatives relevant for H2 & Fuel Cells:

- **FCH 2 JU** (665 M€ ring-fenced budget for 2014-2020)
- **Energy Union Research, Innovation & Competitiveness Strategy** (December 2016)
- **Strategic Energy Technology Plan**
  - *Implementation Plan CCUS*: R&I activity on the Feasibility for a European hydrogen infrastructure
- **Mission Innovation**
  - **Renewable and Clean Hydrogen Innovation Challenge**
  - **Carbon Capture Innovation Challenge**

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# Renewable and Clean Hydrogen Challenge

### Objective

To accelerate the development of a global hydrogen market by identifying and overcoming key technology barriers to the production, distribution, storage, and use of hydrogen at gigawatt scale.

- Launched in May 2018
- 14 countries

The challenge will focus **multinational research and large scale demonstration efforts** from both public and private sectors on industry-directed breakthroughs which have a realistic prospect of underpinning commercial renewable and clean hydrogen industries.

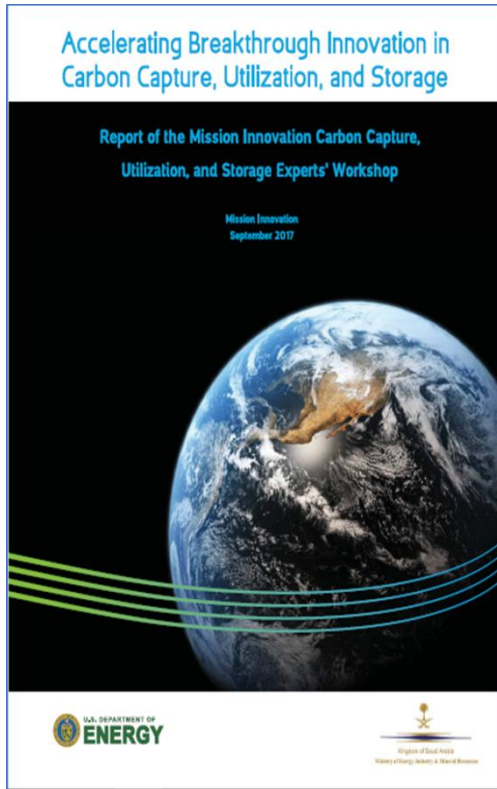
Co-lead: Australia, European Commission, Germany





# Mission Innovation Challenge # 3: CCUS

- 20 active countries
- Co-leads: UK, Mexico, Saudi-Arabia



- The Report puts the production of low carbon hydrogen from Fossil Fuels with CCS as a research priority

|   |  | Australia | Brazil | Canada | Chile | China | Denmark | EC | Finland | France | Germany | India | Indonesia | Italy | Japan | Mexico | Norway | Republic of Korea | Saudi Arabia | Sweden | The Netherlands | UAE | UK | USA |
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| 1 | Smart Grids Innovation Challenge                                 | ●         | ●      | ●      |       | ●     | ●       | ●  | ●       | ●      | ●       | ●     | ●         |       | ●     | ●      | ●      | ●                 | ●            | ●      | ●               | ●   | ●  | ●   |
| 2 | Off Grid Access to Electricity Innovation Challenge              | ●         | ●      | ●      |       | ●     |         | ●  | ●       | ●      | ●       | ●     | ●         |       | ●     | ●      | ●      | ●                 | ●            | ●      | ●               | ●   | ●  | ●   |
| 3 | Carbon Capture Innovation Challenge                              | ●         |        | ●      |       | ●     | ●       | ●  | ●       | ●      | ●       | ●     | ●         | ●     | ●     | ●      | ●      | ●                 | ●            | ●      | ●               | ●   | ●  | ●   |
| 4 | Sustainable Biofuels Innovation Challenge                        | ●         | ●      | ●      | ●     | ●     |         | ●  | ●       | ●      | ●       | ●     | ●         |       | ●     | ●      |        |                   | ●            | ●      | ●               | ●   | ●  | ●   |
| 5 | Converting Sunlight Innovation Challenge                         | ●         | ●      | ●      | ●     | ●     | ●       | ●  | ●       | ●      | ●       |       | ●         | ●     | ●     | ●      |        | ●                 | ●            | ●      | ●               | ●   | ●  | ●   |
| 6 | Clean Energy Materials Innovation Challenge                      | ●         |        | ●      |       |       | ●       | ●  | ●       | ●      | ●       |       | ●         |       | ●     | ●      | ●      | ●                 | ●            | ●      | ●               | ●   | ●  | ●   |
| 7 | Affordable Heating and Cooling of Buildings Innovation Challenge | ●         | ●      | ●      |       | ●     | ●       | ●  | ●       | ●      | ●       |       | ●         |       | ●     | ●      |        | ●                 | ●            | ●      | ●               | ●   | ●  | ●   |





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# Fuel Cells & Hydrogen Joint Undertaking (FCH2 JU)



Industry Grouping  
Over 100 members  
~ 50% SME



Research Grouping  
Over 60 members



To implement an optimal research and innovation programme to bring FCH technologies to the point of market readiness by 2020



EC contribution: 665M€

The Joint Undertaking is managed by a Governing Board composed of representatives of all three partners and lead by Industry.

## FCH JU's project portfolio:

### ENERGY 117 projects

- Hydrogen production and distribution
- Hydrogen storage for renewable energy integration
- Fuel cells for power & combined heat & power generation

360 M€, 49%

### TRANSPORT 53 projects

- Road vehicles
- Non-road vehicles and machinery
- Refuelling infrastructure
- Maritime, rail and aviation applications

39  
M€

337 M€, 46%

### Cross-cutting, 34 projects

(e.g. standards, safety, education, consumer awareness, ...)



## LC-SC3-NZE-5-2019-202

### Low carbon industrial production using CCUS

- Includes industrial sectors, steel, iron and cement, oil refining, gas processing, **hydrogen production**, biofuel production and waste incineration plants.
- Innovation Action, Funding 70 %
- Budget 33 Mio € in 2019, (15 Mio € in 2020)
- Proposals expected to request 10-12 Mio €
- TRL 6 – 7
- Opening 7 May 2019, Deadline 27 August 2019



## LC-SC3-NZE-3-2018:

### Strategic planning for CCUS development

- Elaborate detailed plans for European CO<sub>2</sub> gathering networks and industrial clusters linked to CO<sub>2</sub> storage sites via hubs, pipeline networks and shipping routes.
- Industrial clusters may include power producers, cement and steel factories, chemical plants, refineries and **hydrogen production facilities**
- Expected EC contribution EUR 2-3 million per project; CSA
- Topic budget EUR 3 million
- Call opened on 15 May 2018 and closed on 6 September 2018

# Horizon Europe

is the Commission proposal for a **€ 100 billion** research and innovation funding programme for seven years (2021-2027)



**to strengthen the EU's scientific and technological bases**



**to boost Europe's innovation capacity, competitiveness and jobs**



**to deliver on citizens' priorities and sustain our socio-economic model and values**

Additional **€ 4.1 billion** are proposed to be allocated for defence research, in a separate proposal for a European Defence Fund

# Horizon Europe: evolution not revolution



## Pillar 1 Open Science

European Research  
Council

Marie Skłodowska-Curie  
Actions

Research  
Infrastructures



## Pillar 2 Global Challenges and Industrial Competitiveness

Clusters

- Health
- Inclusive and Secure Society
- Digital and Industry
- **Climate, Energy and Mobility**
- Food and natural resources

Joint Research Centre



## Pillar 3 Open Innovation

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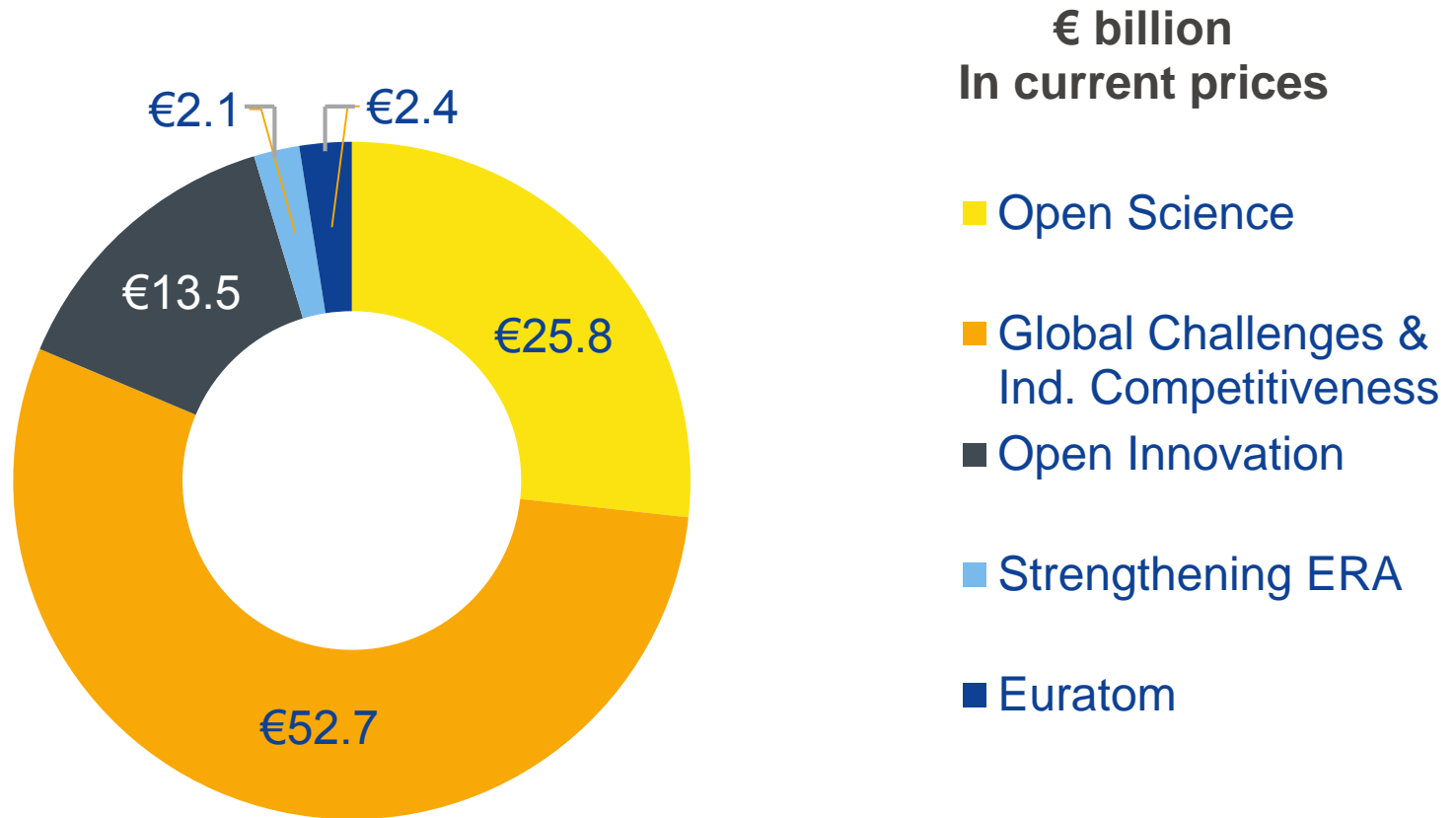
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## Strengthening the European Research Area

Sharing excellence

Reforming and Enhancing the European  
R&I system

# Budget: €100 billion\* (2021-2027)



\* This envelope includes EUR 3.5 billion allocated under the InvestEU Fund.



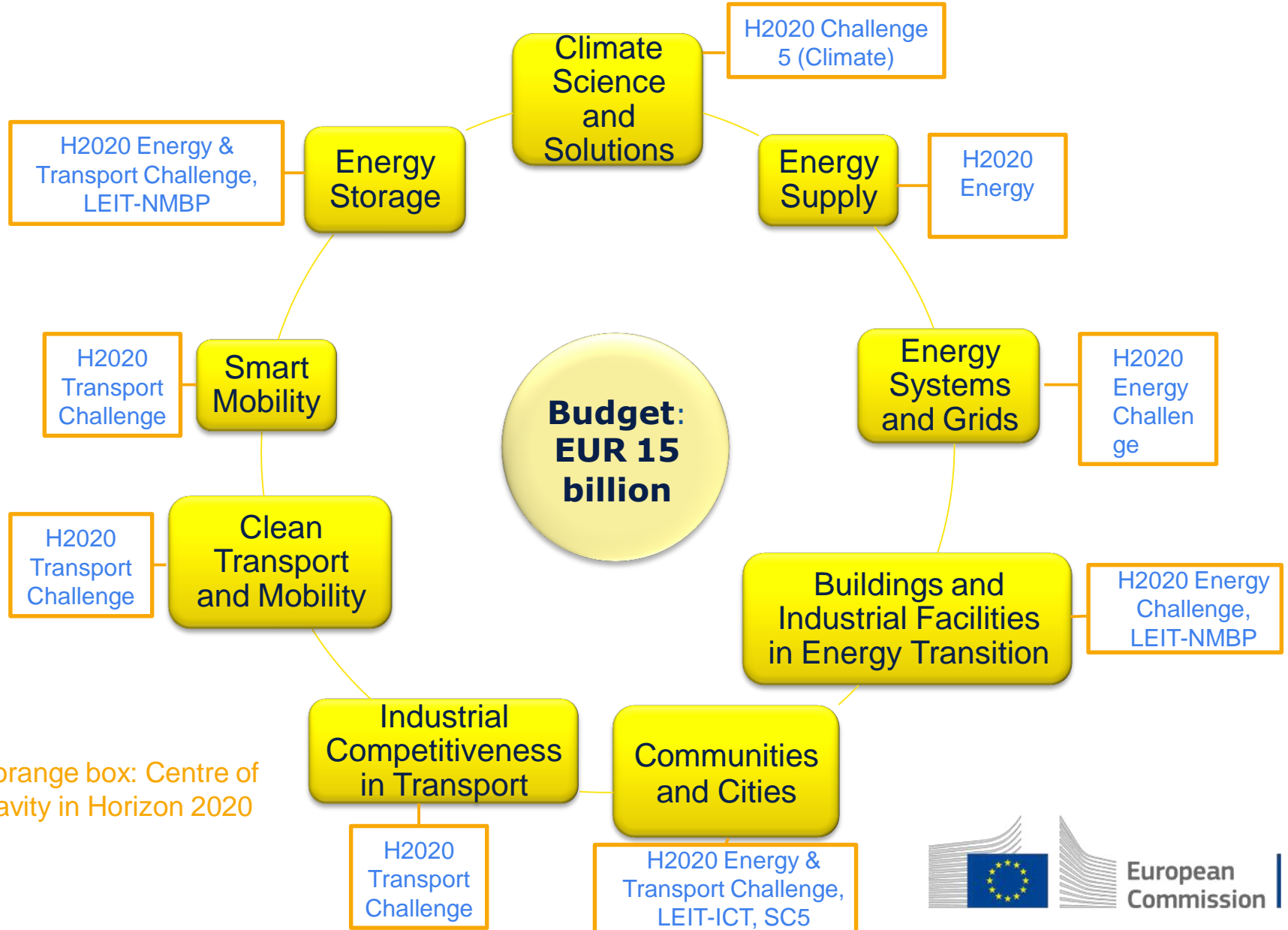
## Pillar 2

# Global Challenges & Industrial Competitiveness:

boosting key technologies and solutions underpinning EU policies & Sustainable Development Goals

| <b>Clusters</b><br>implemented through usual calls, <b>missions &amp; partnerships</b>  | Budget<br>(€ billion) |
|---|-----------------------|
| Health  | € 7.7                 |
| Inclusive and Secure Societies  | € 2.8                 |
| Digital and Industry  | € 15                  |
| Climate, Energy and Mobility  | € 15                  |
| Food and Natural Resources  | € 10                  |
| <b>Joint Research Centre</b><br>supports European policies with independent scientific evidence & technical support throughout the policy cycle | € 2.2                 |

# Cluster 'Climate, Energy and Mobility' - Scope



# Area “Energy Supply”

## Main activities:

- ✓ **Renewable energy technologies and solutions for power generation, heating and cooling, sustainable transport fuels and intermediate carriers**
- ✓ **Disruptive renewable energy technologies**
- ✓ **Reduction of GHG-emissions from fossil fuel-based power generation via CO2 capture, utilisation and storage (CCUS).**

# Area “Energy Storage”

## Main activities:

- ✓ **Broad portfolio of storage technologies for daily to seasonal energy needs**
- ✓ **Batteries and the EU value chain, including design, large-scale battery cell production technologies, reuse and recycling methods**
- ✓ **Near zero-carbon hydrogen including fuel cells, and the EU value chain from design to end use.**



# Thank you!

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