

## 5the edition of the Hydrogénies, the hydrogen trophies

# Now accepting applications!

After a successful 2023, the Hydrogénies® competition is back in 2024 with the Hydrogen Trophies award ceremony set for September 10, 2024, at the main auditorium of the Dunkirk Kursaal Conference Centre on the occasion the 25th European Energy Transition Conference (AETE).

Applications to compete for one of the awards will be accepted through May 10, 2024.

## A "mainstream" competition that enthrals investors

The award ceremony is held in a different host city each year. This is an essential date for professionals in the fields of energy, sustainable mobility and real estate, a gathering with a high concentration of leading actors in the hydrogen sector, the most promising innovations, the best experts and the most qualified investors.

The mission of the Hydrogénies® (the name of the trophies) is to shed light on the dynamism of the hydrogen ecosystem and its ability to provide pertinent answers to the challenges it faces. The number of candidates grows each year, and the projects are increasingly bold.

This dynamism reflects the changing scope of the sector, and is accompanied by a wealth of innovations.

## Innovation giving visibility to regional actions

The Hydrogénies, the Hydrogen Trophies®, is a competition that awards exemplary actions or accomplishments. Its vocation is to highlight the force of innovation and the dynamism of the sector's actors. The event is held in partnership with the European Energy Transition Conference (Assises européennes de la transition énergétique or AETE).

The competition is open to all companies in the energy sector, both private and public, as well as to local and regional governments, regardless of size. It serves as a means to shine light on the hydrogen (H<sub>2</sub>) teams, accomplishments and projects, in France or elsewhere in Europe, whether they are already up and running, already financed, underway or completed.

#### Participation in the competition is completely free.

All entries must be completed before May 10, 2024.

To participate, please see the 2024 competition rules (in English and French) on the <u>www.hydrogenies.eu</u> site, then simply click "To apply" and fill out the on-line application form.

### Become a legend!

**To compete** in the Hydrogénies, the Hydrogen Trophies, at a time when the government's national H2 strategy and European investments are accelerating, is a way to bring attention to your innovative projects and solutions as well as the involvement of you teams, associates and partners. The prize offers an occasion for outstanding visibility thanks to targeted communications, not only among the trophies' partners who represent the entire sector, but also in the media. A chance to be "in the picture", rewarded by a leading figure in the field.

**To attend** the Hydrogénies, the Hydrogen Trophies, is also to benefit from the view at the forefront of the sector. Each year, the Hydrogénies award ceremony is held in the framework of the European Energy Transition Conference, a major annual event of the ADEME, the French Agency for Ecological Transition, bringing together thousands of actors from all branches of the energy transition sector. This year the winners will receive their awards in an iconic center of the mass H<sub>2</sub> transition: Dunkirk.

**To receive a prize** at the Hydrogénies, , the Hydrogen Trophies, is to be recognized by ones' peers and to promote ones' teams at a time of exponential investments in H<sub>2</sub>.

## 10 categories to be awarded in 2024

A single project may be proposed in a maximum of two categories. The candidates may also propose multiple projects. In this case, they must prepare separate applications for each project they enter and for each of the chosen categories.

This year, in addition to the eight project prizes, a new prize will be awarded for an "Emerging Technological Solution". The special prize presented to the Person of the Year 2024 who has made particular contributions in favor H<sub>2</sub> is highly anticipated.

Will you be a winner?
We'll see on September 10 in Dunkirk!

## How to participate

The projects will be submitted to a vote by a jury of experts (CNRS, CEA, universities, Hydrogen Europe ...) completely independent from the candidates and sponsors. For the pre-selection, the committee will base its choices on the following criteria in particular:

- Degree of maturity of the project;
- Range: the scope of the project in relation to the observed repercussions: technical, economic, industrial and/or social;
- Efficiency: the originality of the innovative approach.

#### To enter

To enter and participate in the competition, the candidates must:

- Present a project that has been started, that is, either financed or have had the investment decision validated by the European Commission, the State, or a public or private investor, or have been launched, by December 31, 2023.
- Complete the online application form at the following link: <a href="https://hydrogenies.eu/candidatez/">https://hydrogenies.eu/candidatez/</a> (FR) <a href="https://hydrogenies.eu/to-apply/">https://hydrogenies.eu/to-apply/</a> (EN)
- Have their application be validated by May 10, 2024, at the latest.

Please do not hesitate to contact the organizers should you have any questions:

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### Our thanks to former winners

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## **About the 25<sup>th</sup> European Energy Transition Conference**

Organized jointly by the Dunkirk Urban Community, Bordeaux Métropole, Greater Geneva, Strasbourg City and Eurométropole, Dijon Métropole and the ADEME, the European Energy Transition Conference (AETE) is an unmissable date for European actors in the field. Each year the event brings together nearly 3500 over three days discussing energy transition in the regions in some 100 meetings: plenary sessions, workshops, visits to sites and the AETE Village where Hydrogénies will have a space (new in 2024). In this anniversary year, participants will also be able to discover the 3<sup>rd</sup> edition of the Fabuleuse Factory, an event introducing the general public to the different lines of work in the industry, as well as participate in the 6<sup>th</sup> European Conference on Decarbonization, Industries and the Regions. It is in this context that the 5th edition of the Hydrogénies competition will be held, serving as a key moment complementing the partner events.



#### Co-organizers:











#### **About the GROUPE CAYOLA**

With nine press magazines and several dedicated information sites, including Environnement Magazine, the leader in the environmental sector for 80 years, the group has forged a reputation for quality among the actors in the construction, mobility and environment sectors. With the acquisition of Hydrogenium, N°1 of the hydrogen press in France since 2016, and of the Hydrogénies competition, it is now a key player in the world of energy.

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