

CETP Pitching & Matchmaking Event for Integrated Industrial Energy Systems

Pitch template for new projects

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Name of the project idea (and acronym if you already have one)

Value chains towards CO₂-based organic monomers (CO₂-Mers)

ACRONYM

Consortium partners

- Coordinating organisation: VTT or VTT as a partner
- Main contact person: Dr. Tom Wirtanen – tom.wirtanen@vtt.fi
- VTT proprietary platform to electrougrade CO₂ to value added monomers.
- Partners in integration and system assessment, CO₂ capture TEA&LCA, electrolysis are currently of interest.
- Call specifics: either CCU **TRI3** or industrial energy systems **TRI6**

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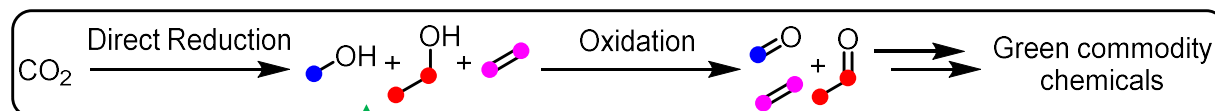
Challenge

- Chemical industry in 2035: Increasing demand for CO₂-based bulk monomers
 - Carbon footprint of SoA bulk chemicals production (embedded and associated emissions)
 - Adipic acid – **8 kg CO₂ eq** / kg produced, 2.5+MT annual volume
 - New feedstocks/conversions path needed to reduce emission intensity
 - Economic viability shall not be compromised (minimal green premium)
- Targeted industry sectors
 - Pulp & Paper Industry
 - Petrochemical Industry
 - Plastic industry
 - Chemical Industry

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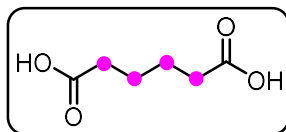
Solutions proposed

- (Biogenous) CO₂, or alternative bio-based feedstocks to high volume monomers in electrified intensive processes
- Partially or fully CO₂ based
- Current TRL 2-3, several patents pending



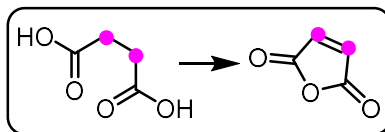
Bio or P2X alcohols

Adipic acid:



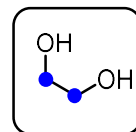
Volume:
~2.5 Mt a⁻¹

Maleic anhydride:



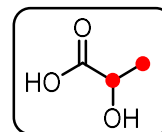
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Ethylene glycol:



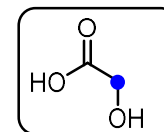
Volume:
60 Mt a⁻¹

Lactic acid:



Volume:
1.5 Mt a⁻¹

Glycolic acid:



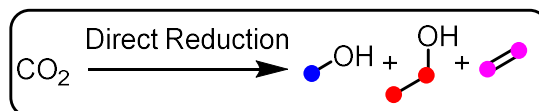
Volume:
40 kt a⁻¹

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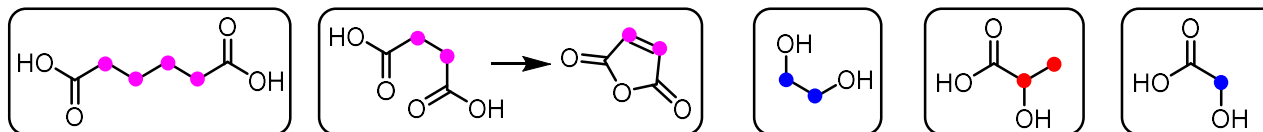
Our next step activities for proposal submission to CETP JC2025

Our project is looking for partners to reach (at least) TRL 5 for the whole value chain:

Upstream – Carbon capture and reduction of CO₂ to key intermediates (methanol, ethanol, ethene)



Downstream – Testing the performance of CO₂-based chemicals in different applications or using them as platforms for other products



Integration, system assessment, TEA & LCA – Validate the economic and ecologic feasibility of the different routes

Thank you & contact information

Thank you for your interest

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