



Scaling up CCS in Europe

CCS in a nutshell

- **CCS is a proven technology** and is essential to meet the Paris Agreement goals¹: there are 19 commercial projects in operation globally today².
- It is safe: risks of leakage are extremely low, with an estimated 99% containment over 1000 years³.
- Europe is well-placed to benefit from CCS thanks to industrial clusters, extensive pipeline infrastructure and geological storage potential.

Policy recommendations

To scale-up CCS, Europe needs a fit-for purpose regulatory framework:

- Recognise CCS as a **key technology** in **the European Green Deal** and in the **EU Industrial Strategy**;
- Enable transportation of CO₂ as a commercial or regulated activity as part of gas market legislation;
- Ensure that **CCS projects are eligible for EU funding** (CEF, Horizon Europe, Innovation Fund);
- Encourage **Member States** to include strategies for CCS deployment in their **National Energy and Climate Plans** (NECPs).

Where can CCS make a difference?



Emission cuts in **industrial processes** where mitigation potential is high, like steel, cement/lime, chemicals, and refining



Low-carbon, flexible electricity from gas-fired power plants with CCS to complement an energy system with a growing share of variable renewables



Large-scale production of hydrogen from natural gas with CCS, providing clean energy for industry, power, transport and heating



Removal of CO₂ from the atmosphere by combining CCS with bioenergy (BECCS), using direct air capture (DAC), or through nature based solutions

¹ Climate models from the IPCC, IEA and European Commission.

² Global CCS Institute database <u>here</u>.

³ IPCC (2005) Special Report on Carbon Dioxide Capture and Storage, p.14.

The role of CCS in global and EU 2°C and 1.5°C scenarios CO₂ stored in 2050



Why are support schemes still necessary?



Source: data from IPCC (2018), IEA (2017), GCCSI (2018).

Pathways in the **IPCC Special Report** on Global Warming of 1.5°C, the **IEA World Energy Outlook** and the European Commission's **2050 long-term strategy** all show that CCS is essential to meet the 1.5°C target.

Today, there are two large-scale CCS facilities operating in Europe, capturing a total of 1.55 Mtpa CO₂ for storage.

To be on track for 1.5°C, one CCS facility capturing 1.5 Mt CO₂ would need to be added every week from now until 2050.

As an emission reduction technology with significant potential, **CCS needs public support to be scaled up.**

This can be done by:

- Bridging the gap between the current carbon price and the cost of CCS. Public support can enable the early development of infrastructure for CO₂ capture, transport and storage.
- Accrediting low-carbon products and channeling investments into CCS activities.
- The **need for public support will decrease** as the carbon price increases, infrastructure is put in place, and economies of scale are achieved.

Towards new business models?

Past CCS project – Project-based

- Responsibility for capture, transport and storage borne by **one actor**
- High costs for one emitting installation
- Limited incentive to build infrastructure
- Public support schemes not targeted to specific segments

New CCS projects – Systemic approach

- Shared responsibility through separate business models for capture, transport, and storage
- Focus on **emission clusters** and achieving economies of scale
- Additional incentive to build infrastructure as infrastructure can be shared
- More **focused public support** schemes following lessons learned

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Industrial emission clusters in Europe for CCS

Establishing shared CO₂ transportation and storage infrastructure with third party access will allow for cost-efficient use of this infrastructure by multiple parties.

Potential emission clusters is Europe are in Rotterdam, Yorkshire, Marseille, Teesside, Antwerp, La Havre, Skagerrak, Firth of Forth, Ruhr.



Which Regulatory Solutions for the EU?

National Energy and Climate Plans (NECPs)

Ensure Member States consider concrete deployment strategies and supportive policies for CCS in their final NECPs.

Why? Under the Regulation on the Governance of the Energy Union, Member States are required to develop NECPs outlining energy and climate policies to 2030 and 2050. In the draft NECPs submitted at the end of 2018, eleven EU Member States refer to CCS technologies, although many more have projects in the pipeline.

Gas market legislation

Enable gas infrastructure or other companies to transport CO₂ as a commercial or regulated activity overseen by National Regulatory Authorities (NRAs) with appropriate mandates.

Why? Restrictions on TSOs and DSOs to transport CO₂ hamper an optimal European network, necessary for Member States without sufficient storage capacity.

EU Emission Trading System (ETS)

Rewarding the transport of CO₂ by ship, train and truck in the EU ETS would help bring optionality and flexibility to CCS business models across Europe.

Why? The EU ETS currently only credit installations that transport their CO₂ to storage locations through CO₂ pipelines⁵. However, it is also possible to transport CO₂ by **ship**, **train** and **truck** for installations that do not have access to a pipeline.

Low-carbon product accreditation

Promote a market framework for low-carbon products and services produced with CCS, including Guarantees of Origin and/or other accreditation schemes, to incentivise new business models and support market uptake.

Why? CCS can drastically reduce the carbon footprint of products such as steel, cement/lime, chemicals, and hydrogen, but a market framework to differentiate between high-carbon and low-carbon products is missing.

Sustainable Finance

Ensure CCS is recognised as economic activities contributing to climate change mitigation in the taxonomy developed in the context of the action plan on sustainable finance.

Why? There is a need to scale up CCS in the EU in order to deliver on long-term energy and climate objectives, and sustainable public and private investments should be channelled towards this activity.

Policy Report

Full list of recommendations can be found in *'The potential for CCS and CCU in Europe'* report developed by a Task Force of CCS stakeholders coordinated by IOGP for the 32nd meeting of the European Gas regulatory Forum (so-called Madrid Forum), June 2019⁶.

⁵ Article 49 of Commission Regulation 601/2012 on Monitoring and Reporting (MRR).

⁶ The Potential for CCS and CCU in Europe: Report to the thirty-second meeting of the European Gas Regulatory Forum 5-6 June 2019



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