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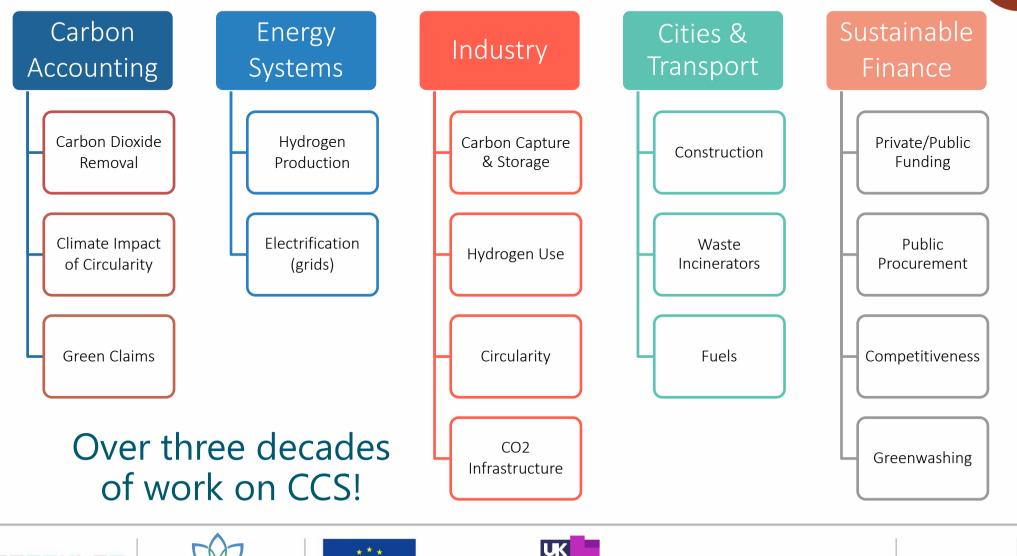
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CCS Developments in the Baltic States

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Net-Zero Industry Act (NZIA) - approved

Oil and gas industry now accountable for delivering pan-European permanent storage for industrial CO2 emissions

Member States need to provide transparent data on their potential to develop storage sites, as well as accelerating storage permitting

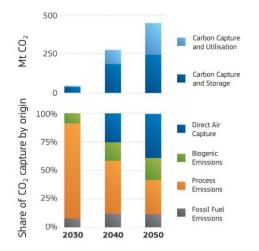
Industrial Carbon Management: Capturing, storing and using CO₂ to reach our climate goals

Achieving our ambitious climate targets requires a significant reduction in CO2 emissions in the coming vears. While much of this can be achieved through investing in energy efficiency and renewable energy. we will also need technologies that can capture and store CO₂, or utilise it. This will be particularly important in sectors where it is the most challenging to reduce emissions, such as cement and waste-toenergy.

To reach the recommended 90% net emissions reduction by 2040 and climate neutrality by 2050, the EU will need to be ready to capture:

• at least **50 million tonnes** of CO₂ per year by 2030. approximately 280 million tonnes by 2040. and around 450 million tonnes by 2050.

This will also require removing CO₂ from the air.











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CCS National Level Regulations

- Nationally new laws but no major changes for CCS yet
- In Latvia new Energy Law. Expected new Climate Law ٠
- Ban on permanent onshore storage in all Baltic States, despite including CCS in their long-term strategies
- High costs and low maturity associated with CCS in government plans
- Expected onshore carbon storage conceptual report procurement from the Ministry of Climate and Energy of Latvia
- Lithuania also have reported that they have further plans to support the appraisal of CO2 storage sites
- CCS in the Draft National Energy and Climate Plans (NECP) does not appear as a priority for industrial decarbisation















NECPs Analysis

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CARBON CAPTURE AND STORAGE IN THE DRAFT NATIONAL ENERGY AND CLIMATE PLANS

BELLONA EUROPA'S ASSESSMENT OF THE DRAFT NECPS' INCLUSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION'S RECOMMENDATION ON CARBON CAPTURE AND STORAGE

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We analysed whether and to what extent CCS was addressed in the NECPs based on:

1	IMPLEMENTATION PLAN	Concrete implementation plan or establishment of stand-alone projects or other measures to facilitate deployment for CCS in harder-to-abate industries such as cement, steel, chemicals and waste incineration.
2	PROCESS EMISSIONS TO BE ABATED	Reports on or plans to report or the annual aggregated projection of inherent process emissions that will have to be abated through CO ₂ capture and storage.
3	CO2 STORAGE POTENTIAL	Reports on or plans to report on the geological CO ₂ storage capacity that can be made operationally available annually.
4	CO2 TRANSPORT	Reports on or plans to report on planned CO ₂ transport infrastructure.
5	NATIONAL PUBLIC FUNDING	The availability of or plans to make available national public funding to support CO ₂ capture, transport, and storage.
6	OTHER	Mention of any other measures to support the deployment of CCS.

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NECPs Analysis





Main Takeaways:

- Overall low ambition for CCS deployment
- Acknowledgement doesn't necessarily translate into action/support







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EU ETS covered emissions of greenhouse gases in 2021



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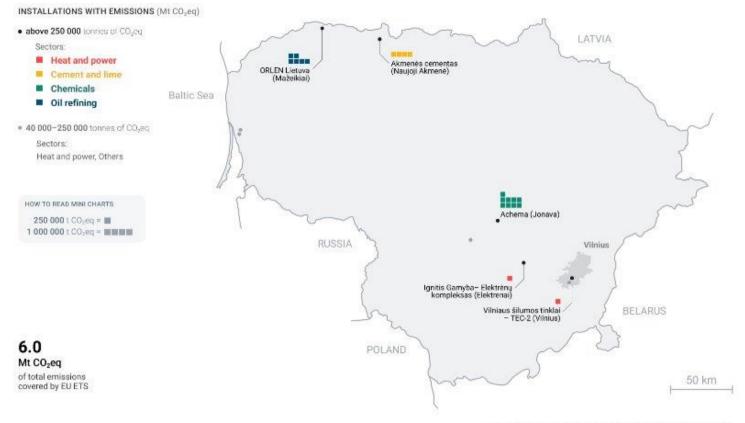
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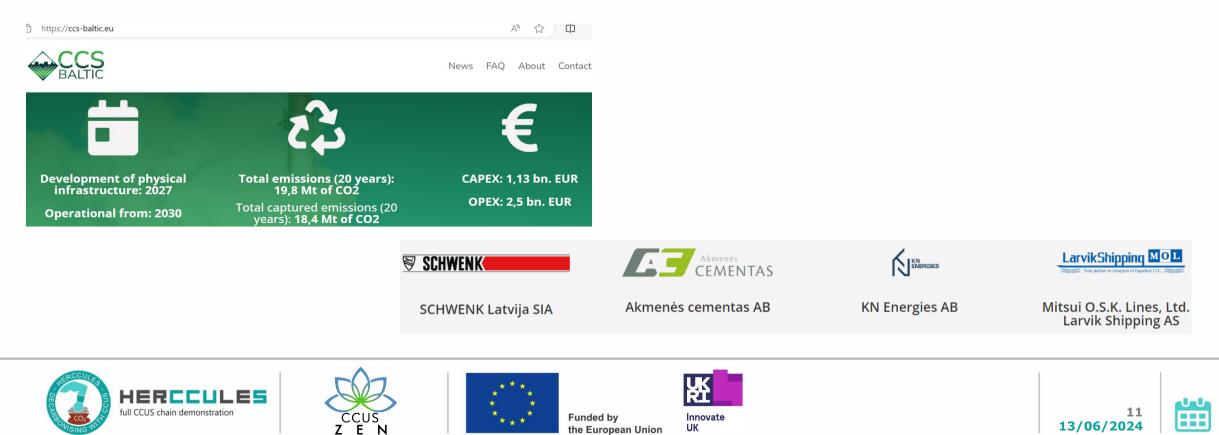
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BALTIC CCS CONSORTIUM

- Officialy granted PCI (Projects of Common Interest) status by European Commission December 2023
- At the moment CEF (Connecting Europe Facility) application is being prepared for pre-FEED and FEED studies funding





- Carbon capture feasibility study at Schwenk Latvia by Capsol Technologies https://newsweb.oslobors.no/message/608312
- Pilotprojects also in German Schwenk cement production facilities https://www.schwenk.de/forschungsprojekt-catch4climate-grossefortschritte-beim-bau-der-co2-abscheide-anlage-in-mergelstetten/









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- Baltic Carbon Forum 3rd 4th October 2024
- BASRECSS Joint statement to Baltic States government:
 - to take urgent action to enable CCUS deployment to achieve emission reduction targets, while maintaining their industrial base
 - Call to provide support for CO2 underground storage appraisal and pilot projects in Latvia, Lithuania, South-West Estonia and the Baltic Sea, as geological conditions potentially allow the storage
 - Call to set up a national and regional CCS working group that would facilitate development of industrial transformation plans, aligning infrastructure development actions, processes and a funding strategy
 - Develop national plans with conditions under which responsible ministries would propose amendments to current regulations, lifting bans for industrial geological CO2 storage in respective territories + develop international legal framework
- HELCOM and Helsinki Convention on permission to store CO2 under the Baltic Sea bed legal interpretations differ
- Ports2Decarb project running successfully









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