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Net-Zero Basque Industrial SuperCluster

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The decarbonization strategy for industrial activity in the Basque Country joins the World Economic Forum's Transitioning Industrial Clusters towards Net-zero project with the creation of the Net-Zero Basque Industrial SuperCluster

The initiative currently involves 20 industrial clusters and is expected to reach 100 regional industrial clusters in the coming years.





The Net-Zero Basque Industrial SuperCluster aims to accelerate the path to net zero emissions in the Basque Country, fostering energy supply decarbonization and energy efficiency in the industrial sectors and creating market opportunities based on the scale-up of the new technologies and innovative services

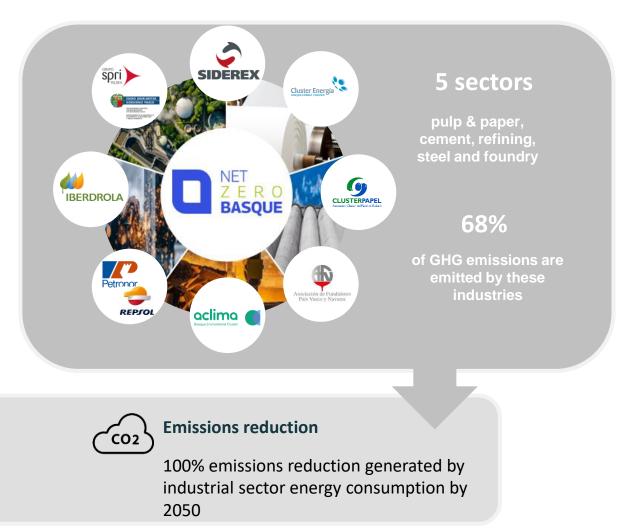
Super Cluster because it will **integrate the industrial clusters** (industrial associations) already operating in the Basque Country, enabling and facilitating **coordination and synergies within the key Industries**

- Collaboration and commitment between the government and the key energy companies operating in the geographic area, to develop and implement roadmaps on an industry basis to reduce industrial emissions and achieve net-zero targets.
 - With an initial focus to **target five Industries up to 68% of total GHG emissions** in the following sectors: pulp & paper, cement, refining, steel and foundry. Other industries where **decarbonization opportunities can be achievable in the short term** will also be considered.
 - Search for **common objectives** to enable the **development of zero balance technologies** through the development of cluster-specific roadmaps to achieve zero balance targets.

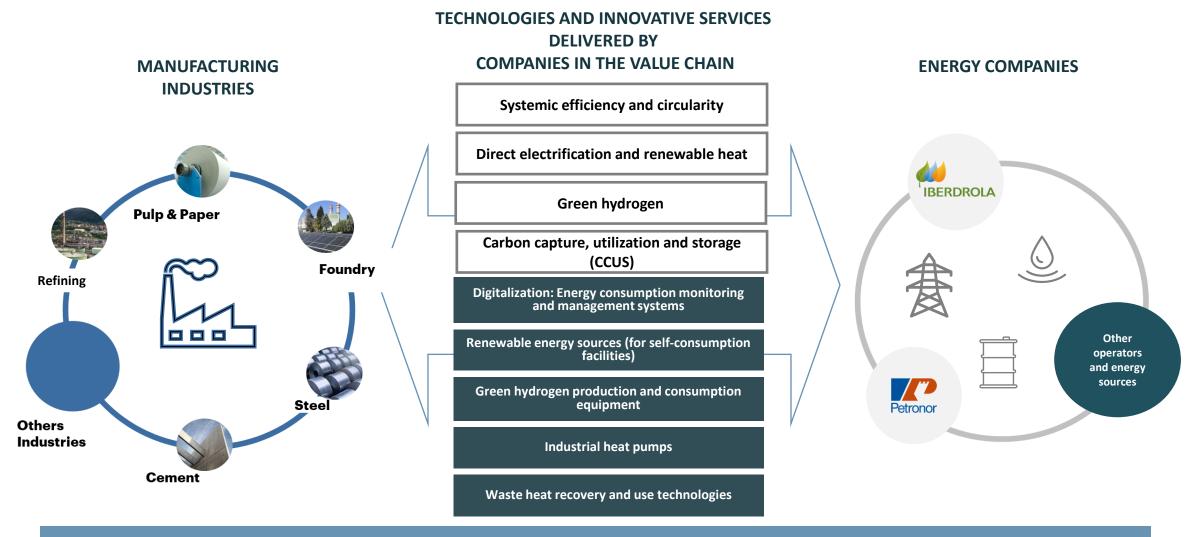




(2-3% of Jobs 2021)



The SuperCluster aims at developing a robust, innovative industrial ecosystem where technology innovations serve as key driver of the energy transition and decarbonization



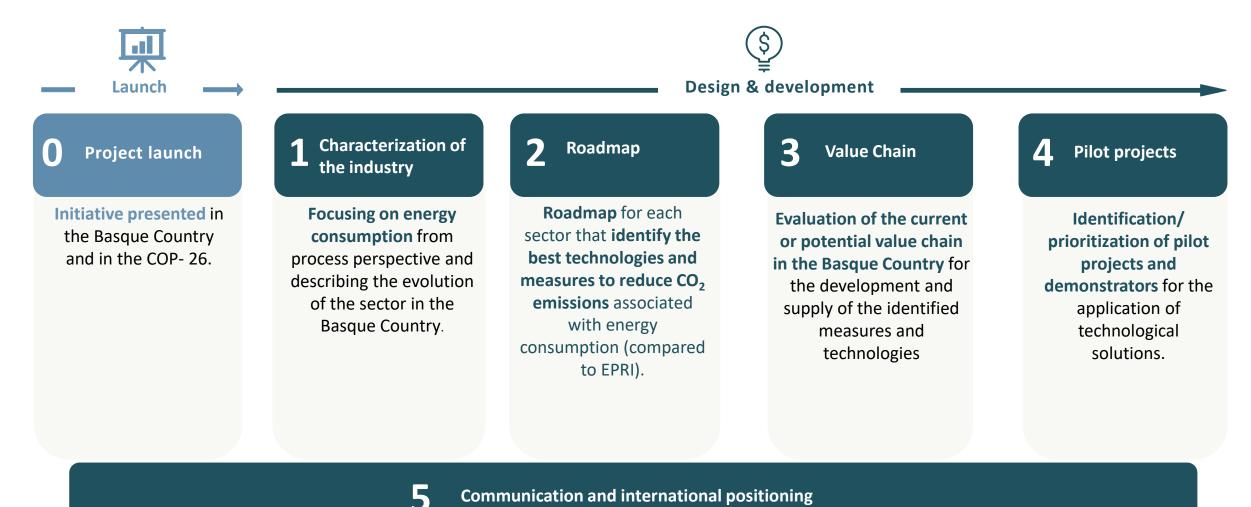
Basque Science, Technology and Innovation Network

International alliances (WEF, EPRI, MIT...)

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The SuperCluster's activity is based on a four-phase technical development project and two continuous lines of work that allow for its deployment in local and international collaboration



Communication and international positioning



Governance



The characterization has focused on energy consumption and the processes that concentrate higher emissions

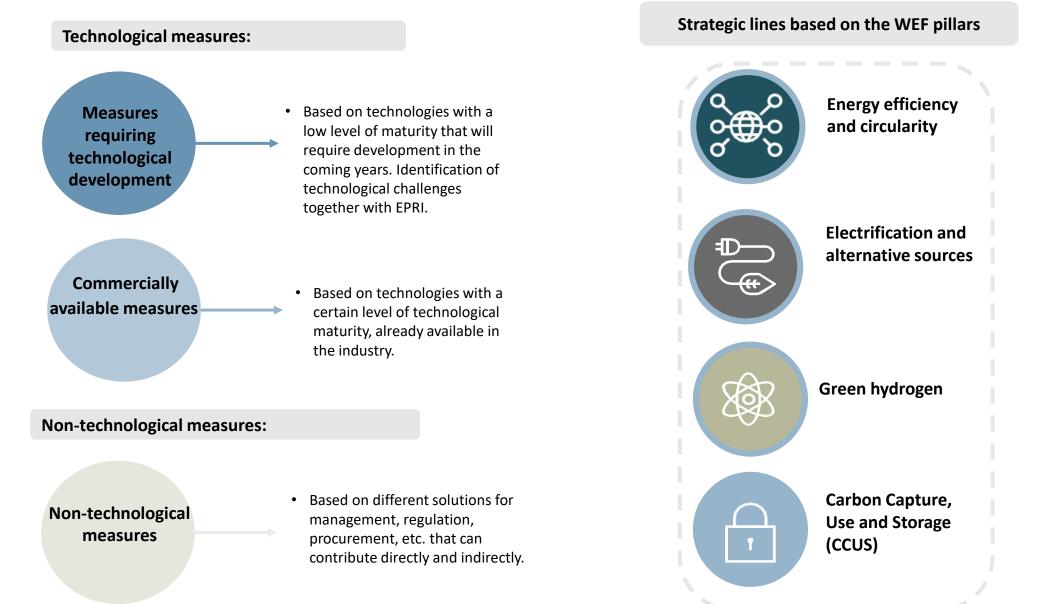
Thermic consumption

Electric consumption

	Production plants	Energy consumption	GHG emissions [kt CO ₂ eq./year]	Emission factor [Kt CO ₂ eq/Kt product]
Pulp&Paper	10	32% 68%	462	0,34*
Refining	1	93%	2.144	0,22
Cement	3	89%	1.002	0,44
	8	49% 51%	862	0,28
Foundry	49	35% 65%	212	0,50

Roadmaps

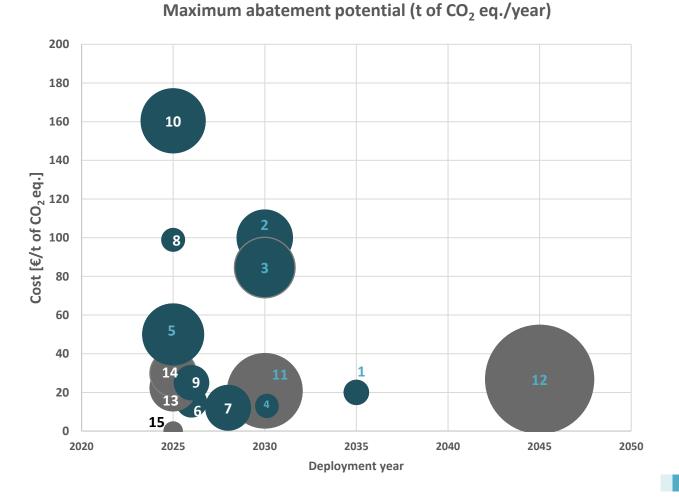




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Roadmap - PULP & PAPER

Maximum potential for abatement of technological measures in need of development and commercially available



°€€00000000000000000000000000000000000	Systemic efficiency and circularity		
	1. Mild repulping process		
	2. Deep eutetic solvent		
	3. Innovative mechanical drying systems		
	4. Use of pulping enzymes.		
	5. Cellulose micro-nanofibers.		
	6. Use of non-wood fibres		
	7. Digitalization and AI for process control		
	8. Use of conical refining techniques		
	9. Higher use of recycled pulp.		
	10. Heat recovery from the process		
	Direct electrification and renewable heat		
	11. Electrification of the process through heat pumps		
	12. Drying by electrical forces		
	13. Waste and sludge gasification at the water treatment plant		
	14. Pyrolysis of by-products		
	15. Renewable energy generation on site		

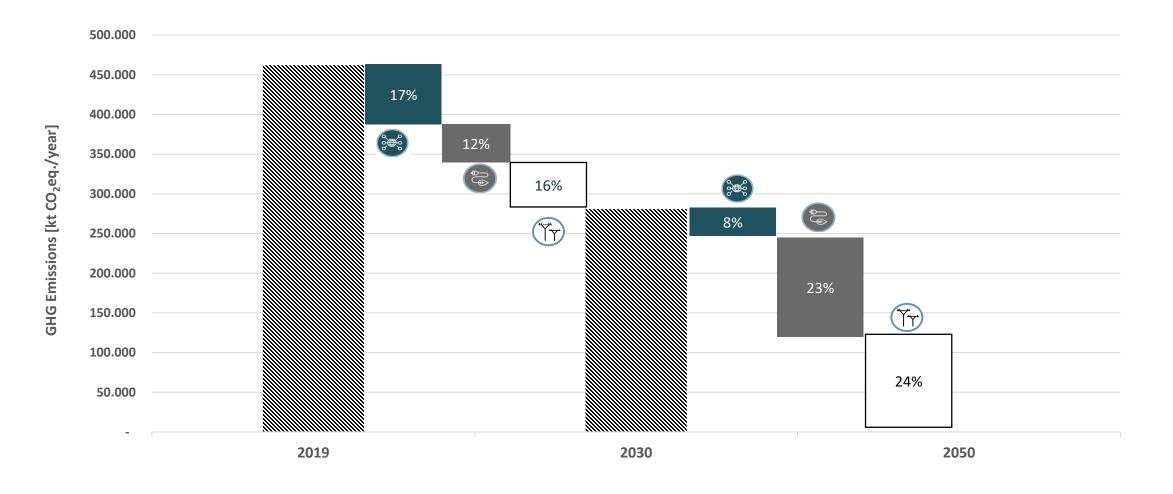
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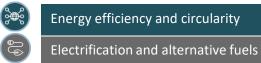
Technological measures in need of development



Roadmap - PULP & PAPER

The cumulative contribution of each of the decarbonization axes has been plotted in each of the time periods





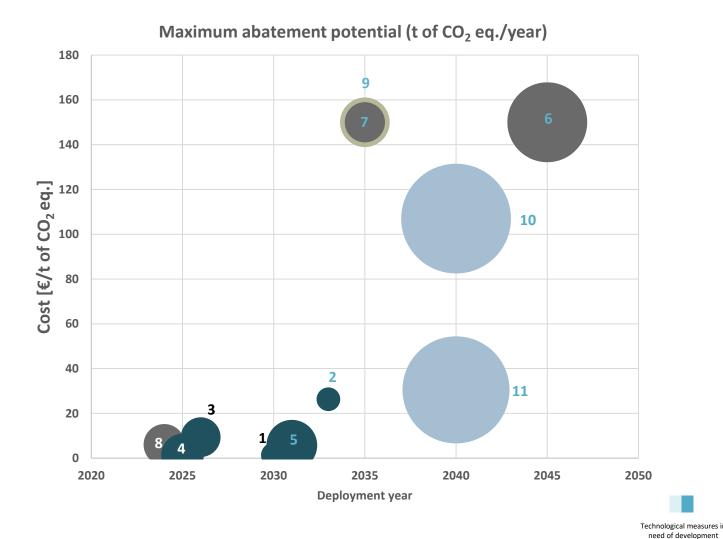
Green hydroge



Increase of renewables in the energy mix

Roadmap - CEMENT

Maximum potential for abatement of technological measures in need of development and commercially available



Energy efficiency and circularity

- 1. Digitalization and AI for process control
- 2. Ordinary portland cement from new non-carbonate limestone sources

3. Use of oxycombustion

- 4. Fuel properties optimization
- 5. Alternative additions and their activation

Electrification and alternative sources

- 6. Electrolyser for CaO decarbonation of calcium carbonate prior to clinker production in the kiln
- 7. Electrification of the clinkering process using microwaves

8. Co-processing of refuse-derived fuel (RDF)

Green hydrogen

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Carbon capture, use and storage

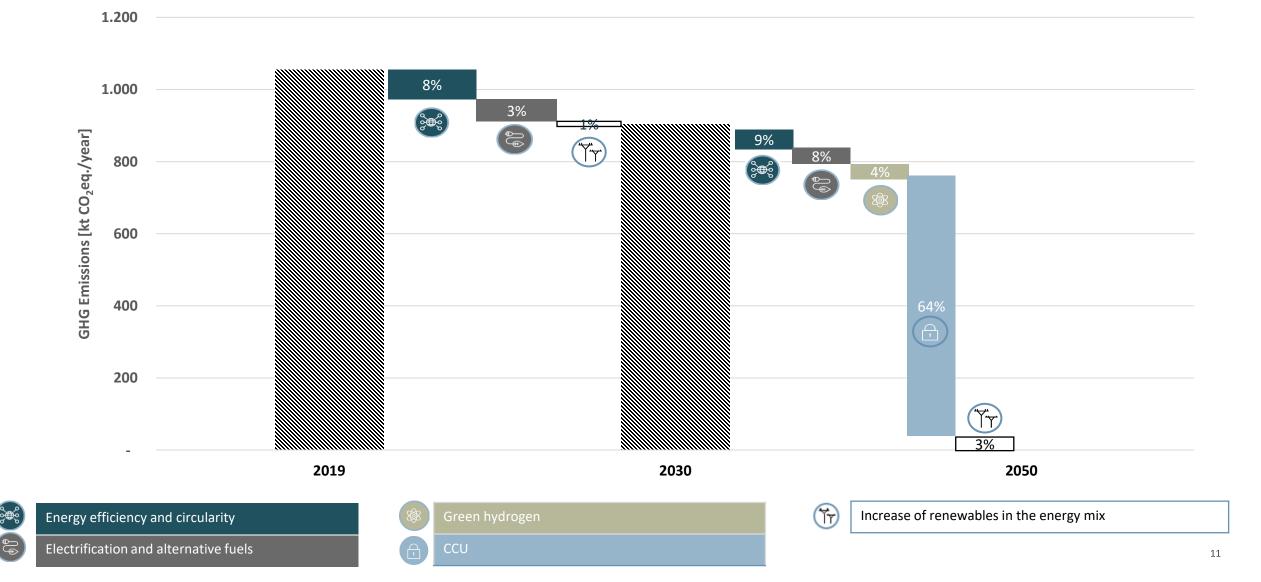
10. Carbon capture

11. Indirect heating (split-stream furnace) with carbon capture



Roadmap - CEMENT

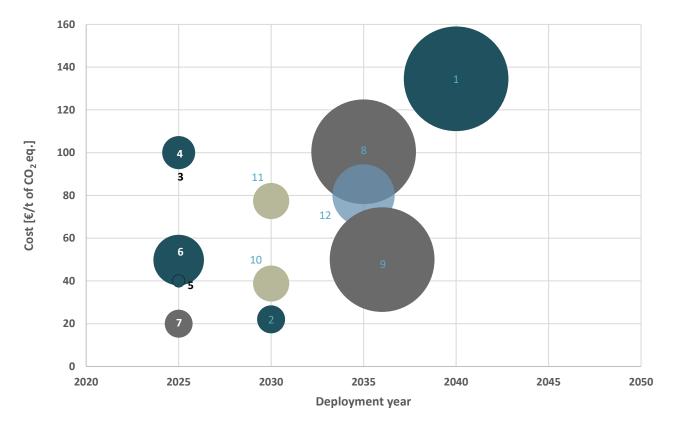
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Roadmap - REFINING

Maximum potential for abatement of technological measures in need of development and commercially available

Maximum abatement potential (t of CO₂ eq./year)



Energy efficiency and circularity

- 1. Generation of advanced biofuels from waste.
- 2. Digitalization and AI for process control.
- 3. Heat recovery from excess gas or process waste heat.
- 4. Energy recovery in pressure jumps
- 5. Combined AC/DC fields to desalinate crude oil
- 6. Generation of biogas from urban waste



Electrification and alternative sources

- 7. Electrification of heat through heat pumps and absorption machines
- 8. Generation of synthetic fuels from green hydrogen and CO₂.
- 9. Second and third generation ethanol production.

Green hydrogen

- 10. H₂ production plant by electrolysis.
- 11. H₂ production and alternative fuels through biomass gasification

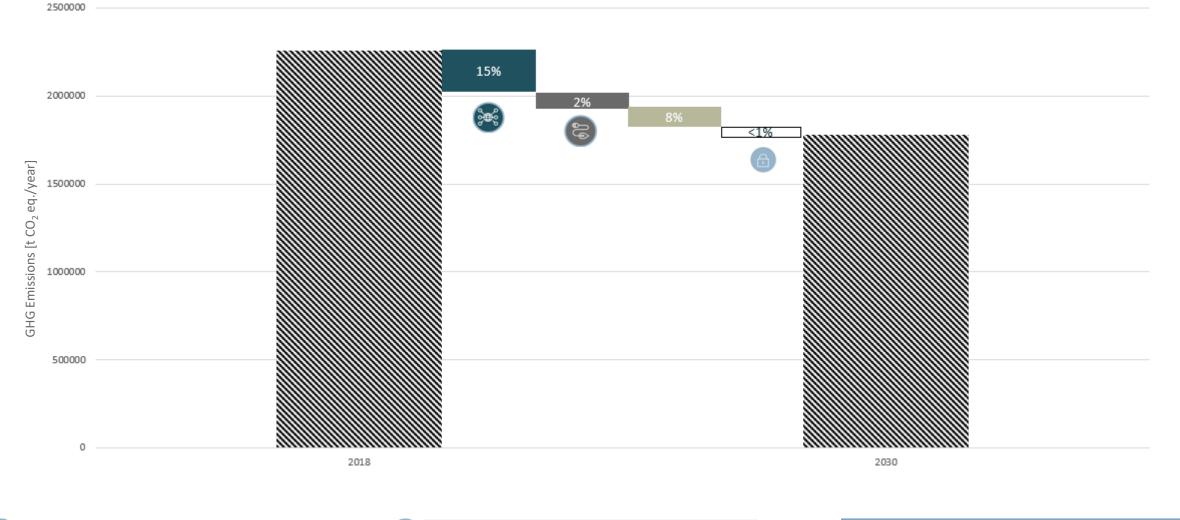
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Technological measures in need of development 12. Carbon capture process

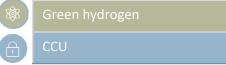


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Energy efficiency and circularity

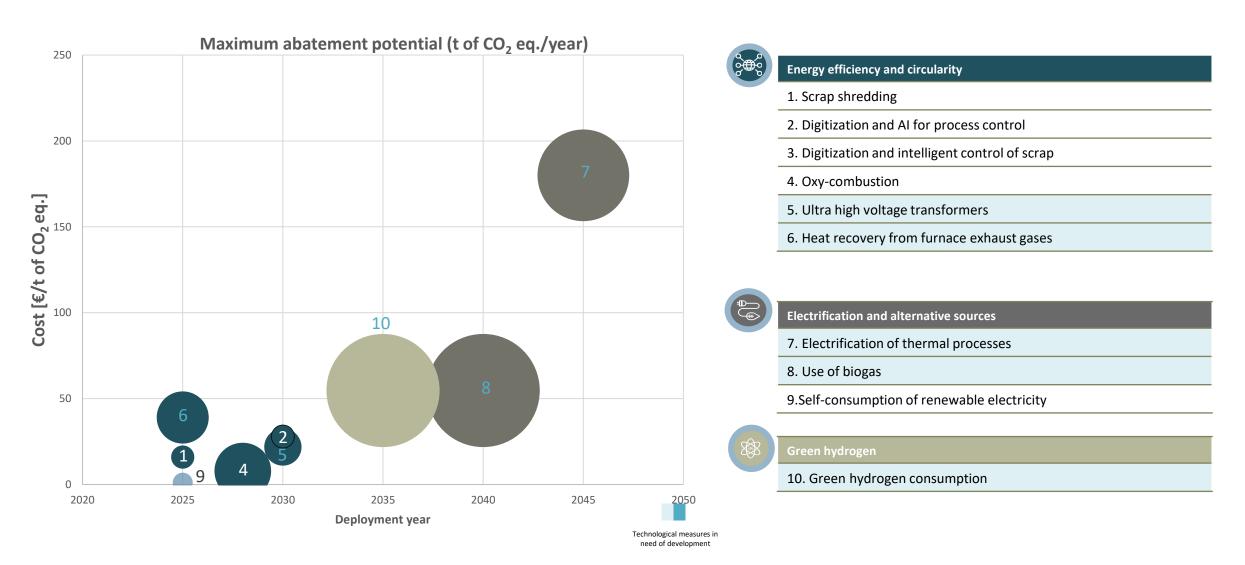




Increase of renewables in the energy mix

Roadmap - STEEL

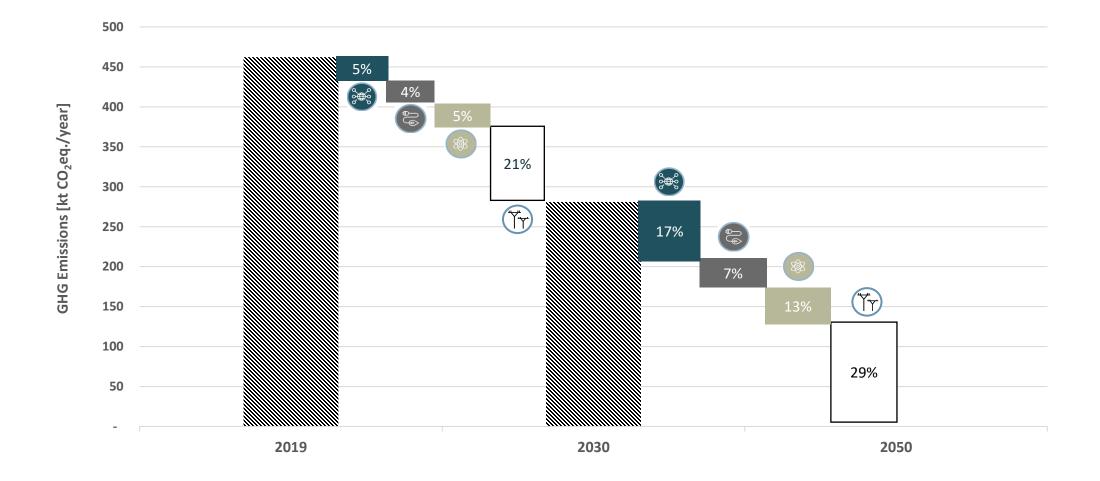
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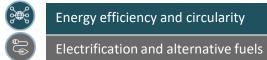


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Roadmap - STEEL

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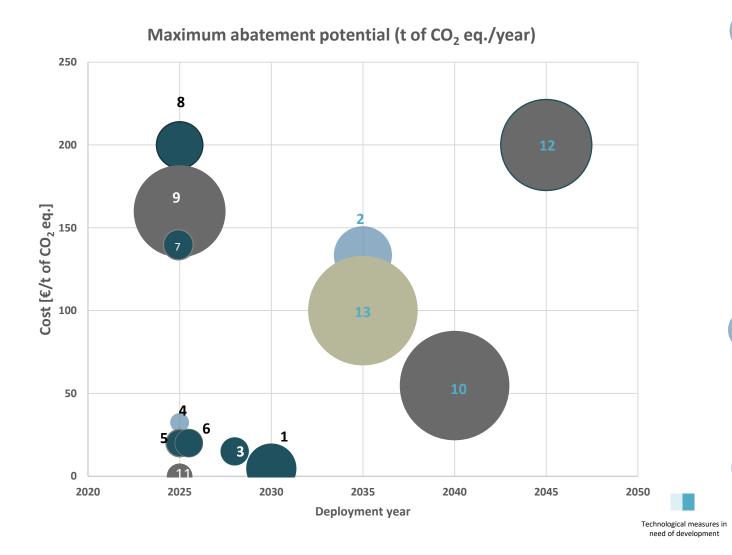


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Roadmap - FOUNDRY

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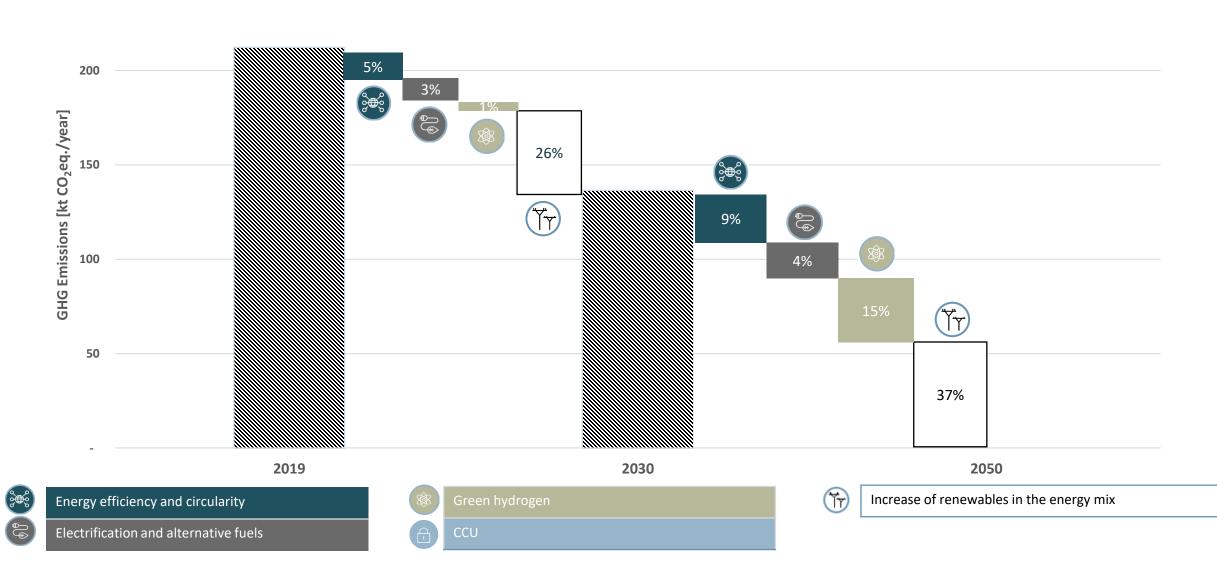




Roadmap - FOUNDRY

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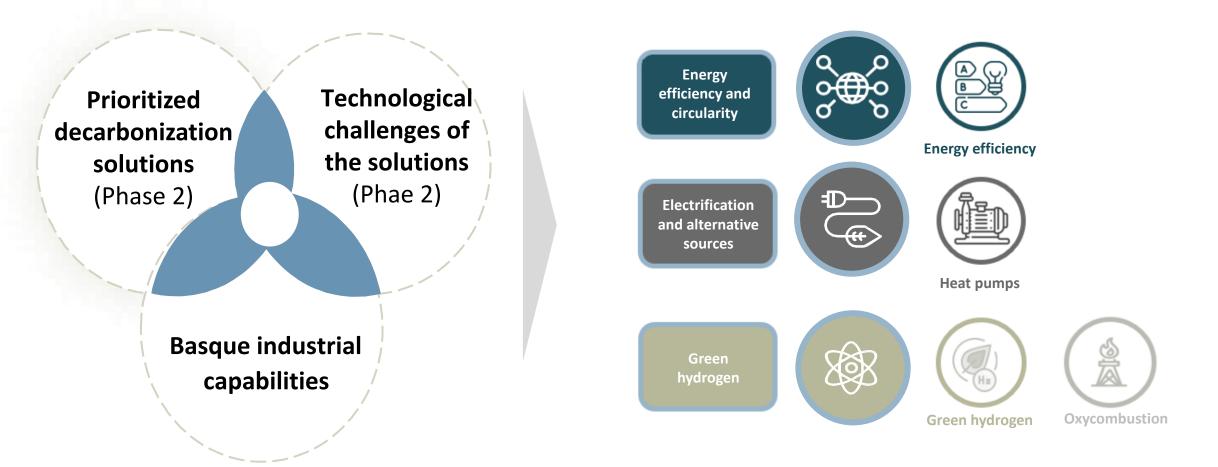
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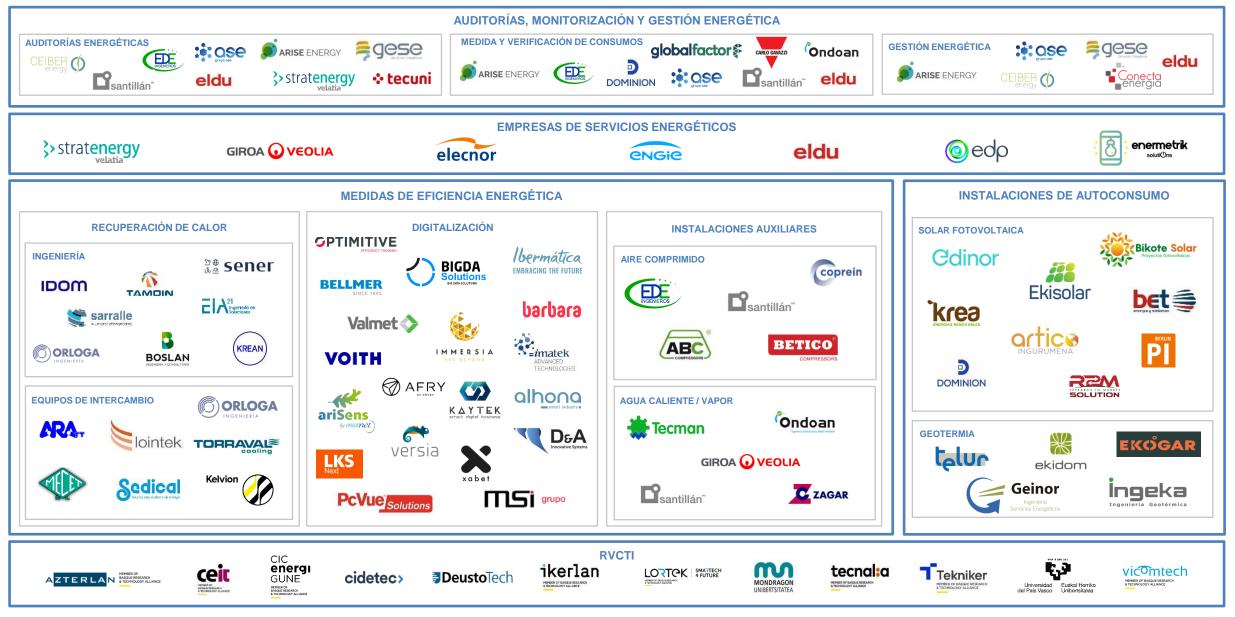
Value chains

In PHASE 3, the value chains of the solutions prioritized in the previous phase have been characterized, preliminarily identifying the companies in the Basque business fabric that are part of them.



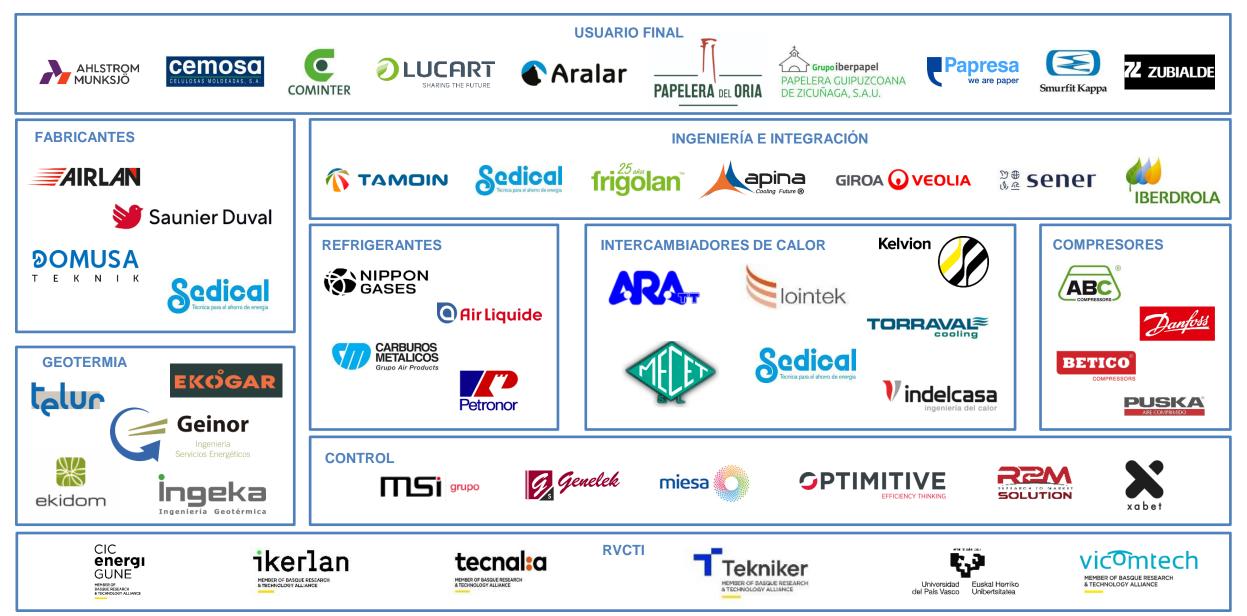
Energy efficiency value chain





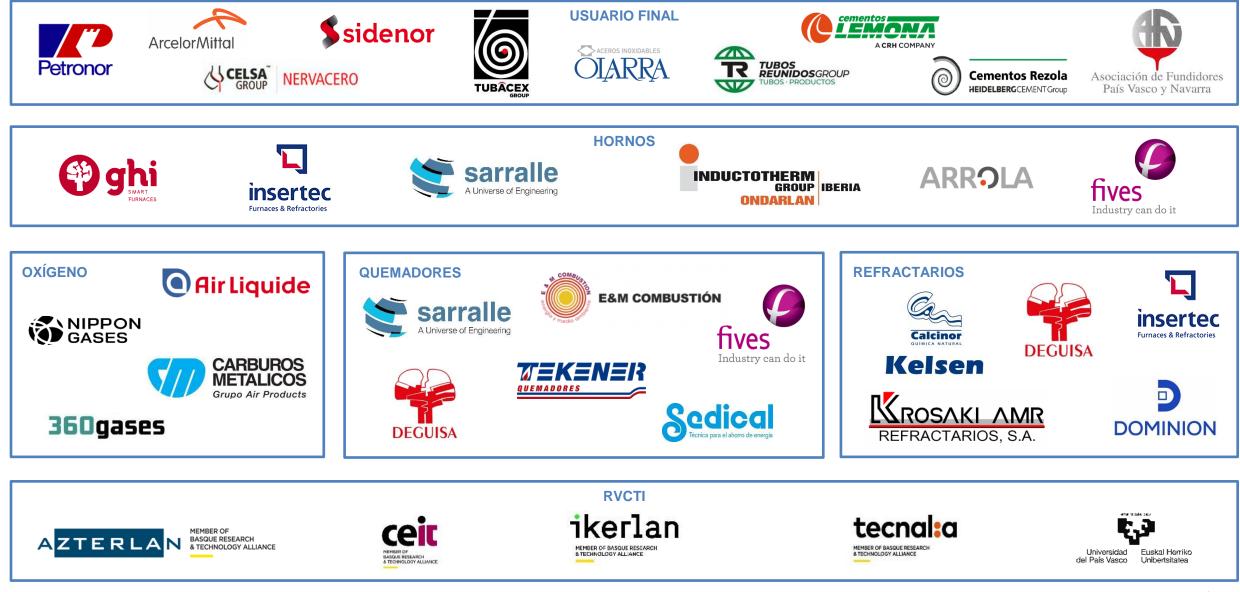
Heat pumps value chian







Oxycombustion value chain



Green Hydrogen value chain

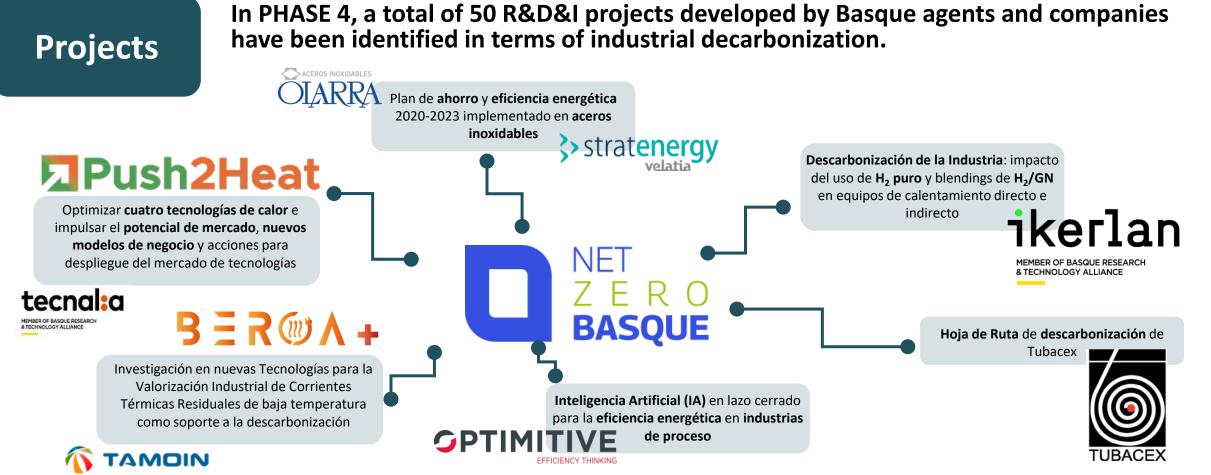




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OTHER SINGULAR PROJECTS

COLLABORATION IN THE MIT RESEARCH PROJECT "The case of demand management"

IS2H4C PROJECT "From Industrial Symbiosis to Hubs for Circularity"

	Su Projects	upport mechanisms for the decarbonization of the industry			
BASQUE COUNTRY		Support by GRANTS	Support by TAX DEDUCTION		
	Support for R&D&I	HAZITEK + FAST-TRACK INNOBIDEAK (SMEs)	Technical Qualification Reports for Tax Effects for R&D and Innovation projects with technological advancement		
	Support for	Industrial Decarbonization Program	Basque List of Clean Technologies tax deduction of 30% of the equipment investment cost		

+ Strategic Project for Economic Recovery and Transformation for industry decarbonization from Spanish Goverment

Positioning

Since its launch at COP26, Net-Zero Basque Industrial SuperCluster has boosted its international positioning with its participation in different forums







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