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# Future Fuels for Shipping

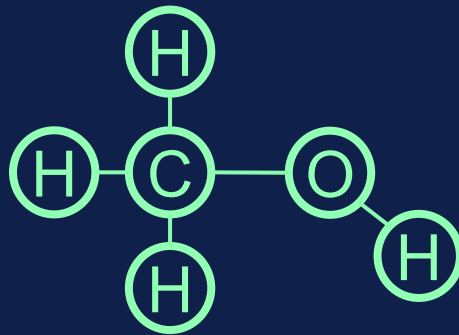
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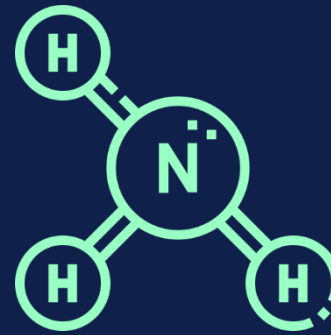
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LNG



Methanol



Ammonia



Biodiesels



**+ 65%**

Passenger vehicles



**+ 130%**

Flights



**+ 30%**

Cargo tonne-miles

# Decarbonization: Threat? Opportunity?

# Decarbonization solutions and pathways



## Low-carbon & Carbon-neutral fuels

High uptake in NBs, availability and price are the main challenges.



## Biofuels

Most popular short- and mid-term solution, reasonable price premium, challenge is availability of sustainable biomass.



## Energy Efficiency

Large experience, many new developments, great enabler of new fuels.



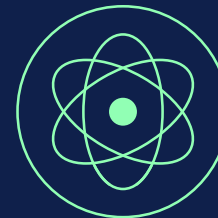
## Fuel Cells

Already used in short-sea shipping. Challenging to scale up for oceangoing vessels but promising for auxiliary power.



## Onboard Carbon Capture

Promising technology. Lack of maturity, regulatory framework and infrastructure.

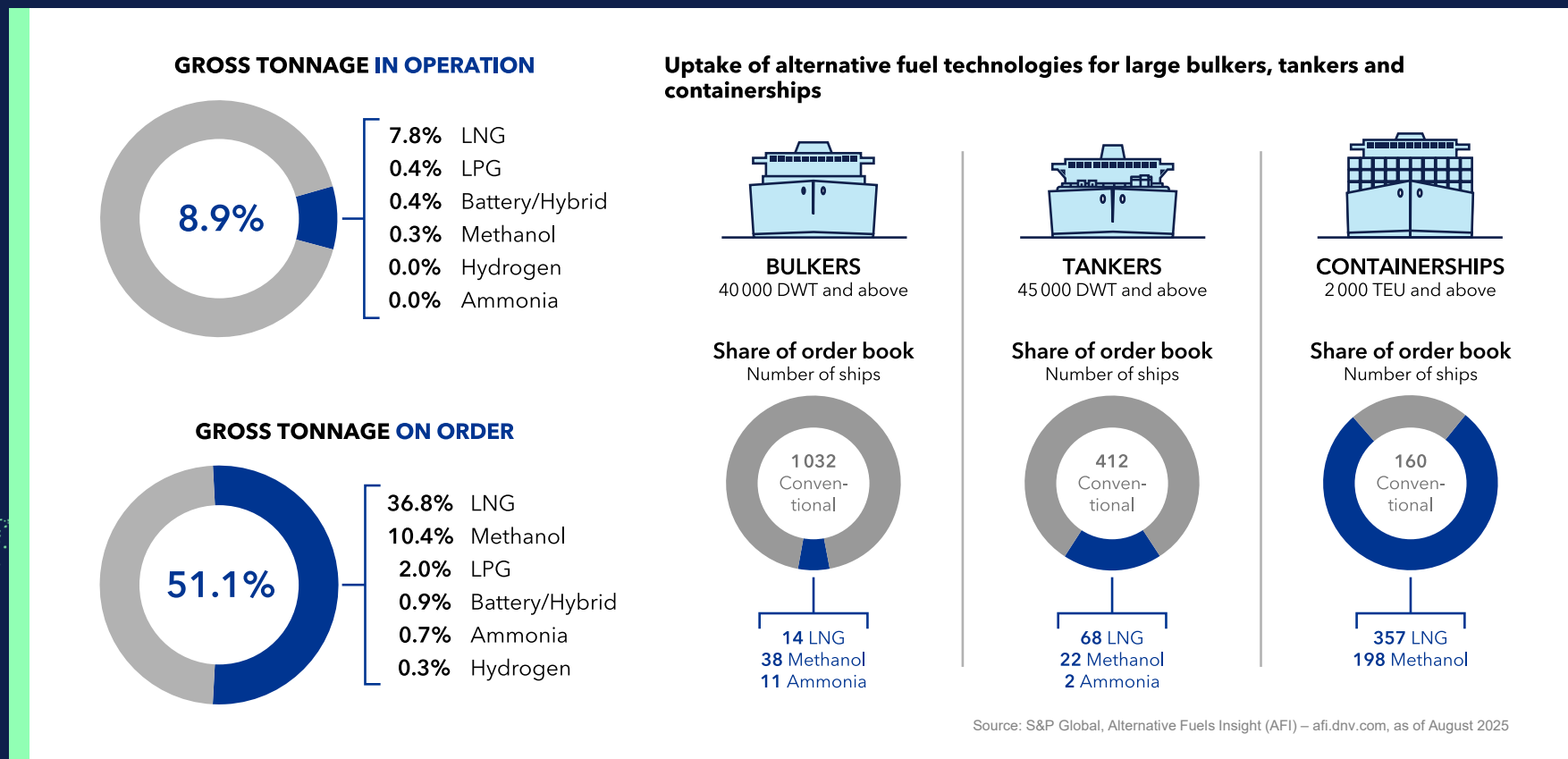


## Nuclear

Carbon-neutral energy. Challenges on various aspects; technical, regulatory, societal acceptance.

# Three-quarters of the order book for container vessels above 2000 TEU have dual-fuel capability

- Alternative-fuel capable ships set to almost double by 2028
- 33,000 seafarers require training for alternative fuels over next 3-4 years



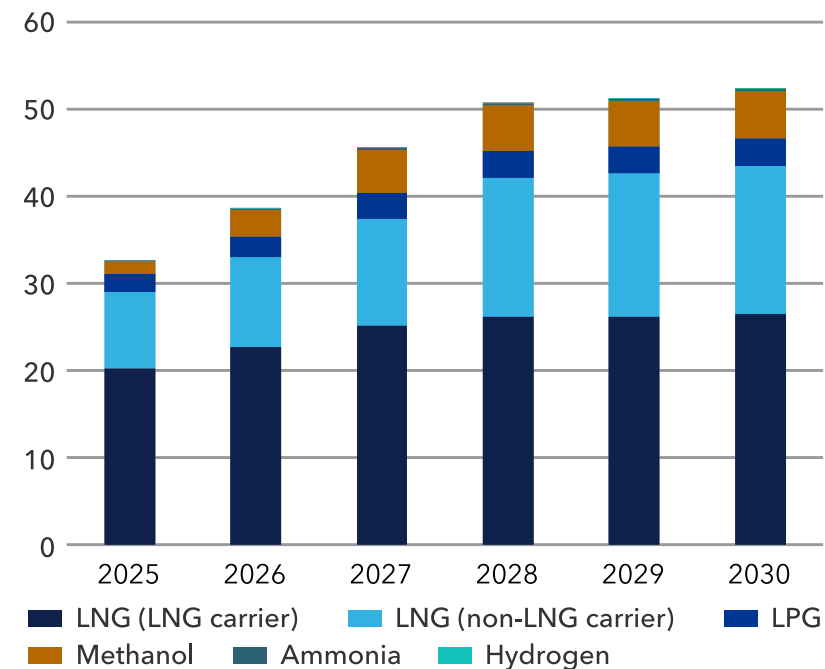
# The world fleet can consume up to 50 Mtoe of non-oil fuels by 2030, dominated by LNG

**In 2030, sailing fleet with today's order book could potentially consume:**

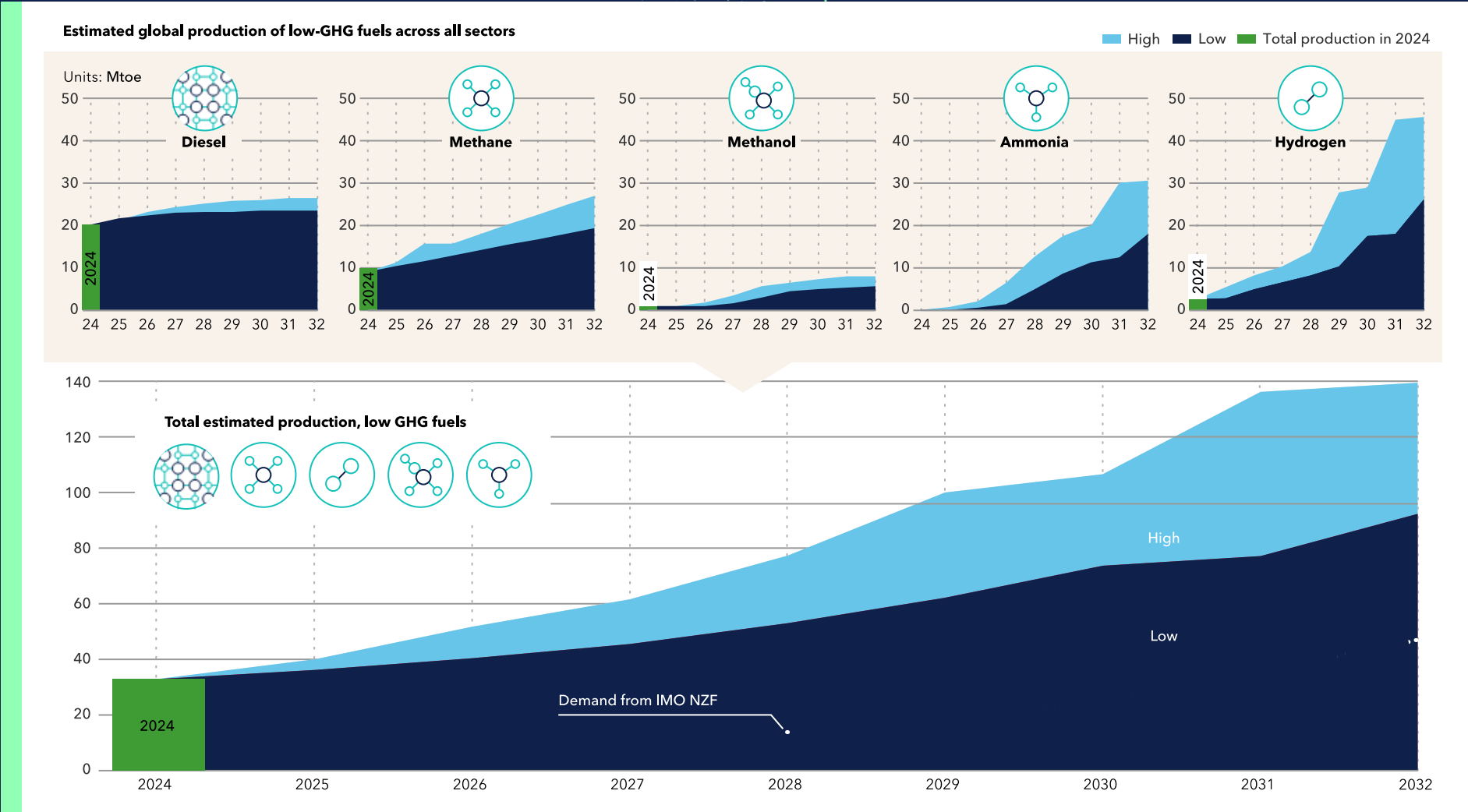
- 44 Mtoe LNG – 44/280 % of world fleet
- 6 Mtoe methanol
- 3 Mtoe LPG
- 0.2 Mtoe ammonia
- 0.04 Mtoe hydrogen

**Maximum consumption of LNG, LPG, methanol, ammonia and hydrogen for the world fleet and vessels in the order book. Powered by AFI - [afi.dnv.com](https://afi.dnv.com)**

Units: Maximum consumption by fuel-type (Mtoe)



# Fuel production facing headwinds – IMO 2030 requires up to one third of global low-GHG fuel supply of 70-100 Mtoe



A photograph of an industrial facility, likely a refinery or chemical plant, at night. The scene is illuminated by numerous lights, creating a bright, glowing effect against the dark sky. In the foreground, a large, white, spherical storage tank is visible, surrounded by a network of pipes and scaffolding. The background shows a complex of industrial structures, including tall distillation columns and various processing units, all lit up. The overall atmosphere is one of intense industrial activity.

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# Biofuels – the quick fix

## Enablers

- Easier operation
- No/minimal retrofits required
- Same engines

## Challenges

- Cost
- Availability (especially based on sustainable biomass)
- Operational issues

## Engines readiness

- The use of biodiesel (FAME and HVO – both as blends and pure products – generally proceed without any problems

## Green Credentials

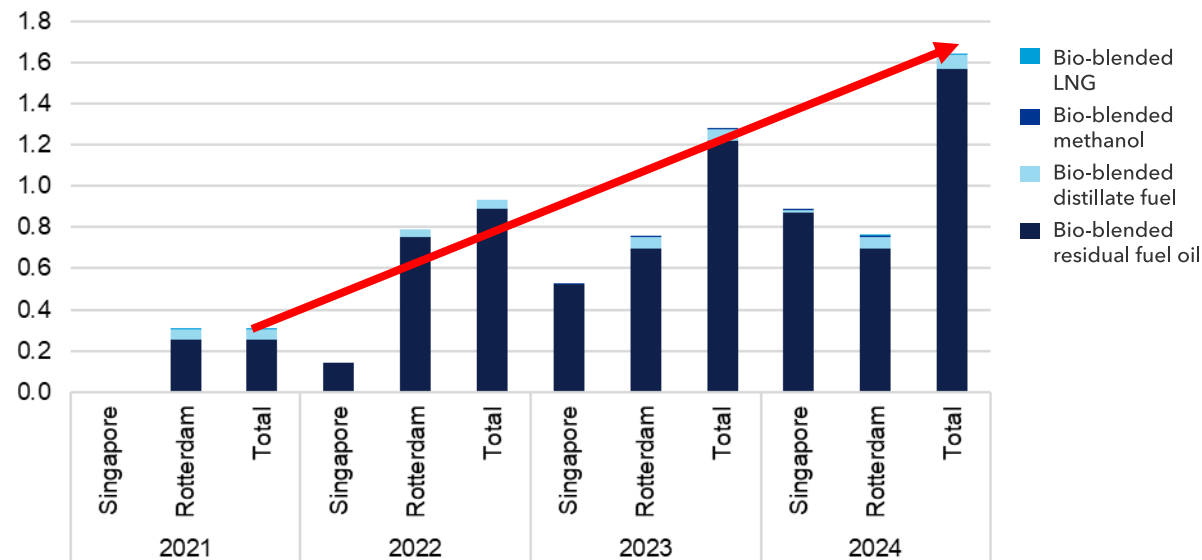
- Biodiesels can significantly improve GHG compliance
- The benefits depend on the certified GHG savings of the biodiesel
- Sustainability and GHG saving criteria under IMO NZF still uncertain



# Bio-blended bunker market is increasing

## Bio-blended bunker sales in Singapore and Rotterdam (2021-2024\*)

Units: million tonnes



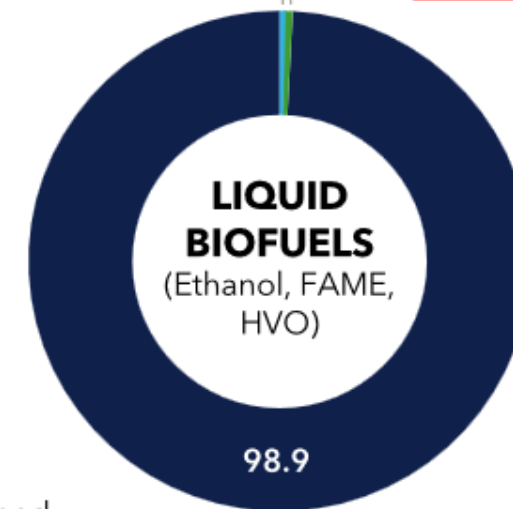
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## End-use of biofuels by sector (2023)

Units: per cent (%)

Aviation 0.5

0.6 Shipping



Road

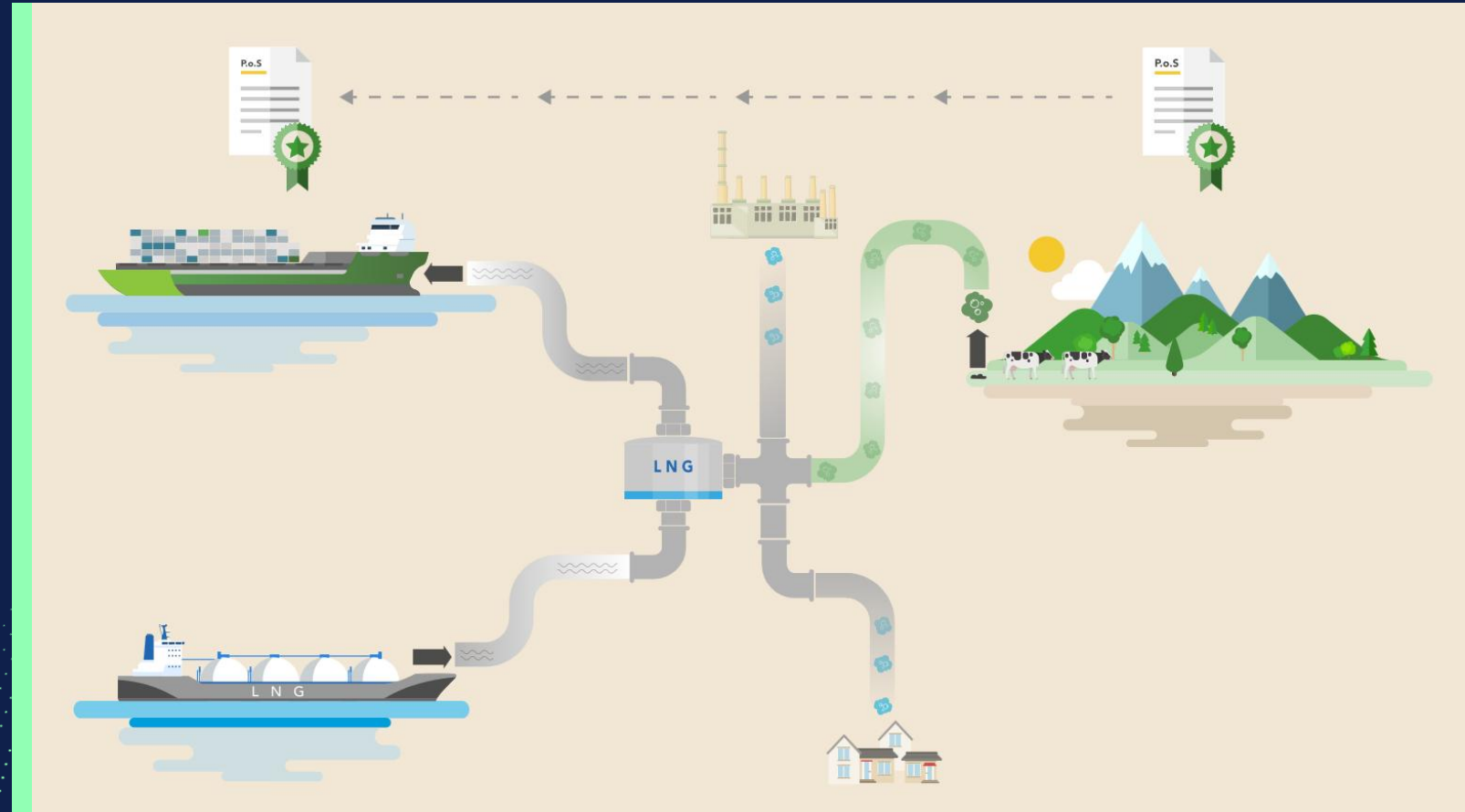
# Biofuel bunkering operations have taken place in more than 60 different ports since 2015



# Flexible chains of custody can accelerate uptake of bio-methane and other low-GHG fuels in shipping

## Flexible chains of custody:

- **Increases availability** by reusing existing infrastructure
- **Reduces cost,** energy, and emissions
- **Incentivizes production** of low-GHG fuels



A night-time photograph of an industrial facility, likely a refinery or chemical plant. In the foreground, a large, white, spherical storage tank is illuminated by bright lights. The tank has a complex network of pipes and ladders. In the background, the entire facility is lit up with numerous lights, showing various distillation columns, storage tanks, and piping. The sky is dark with some clouds.

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# LNG – leads the way

## Enablers

- Mature technology and industry experience
- Wide infrastructure and availability
- Can receive benefit even from today
- Allows for BioMethane pathway

## Challenges

- Cost and complexity
- Fossil-based LNG does not provide long-term compliance
- Methane slip (makers focus on reduction)

## Engines readiness

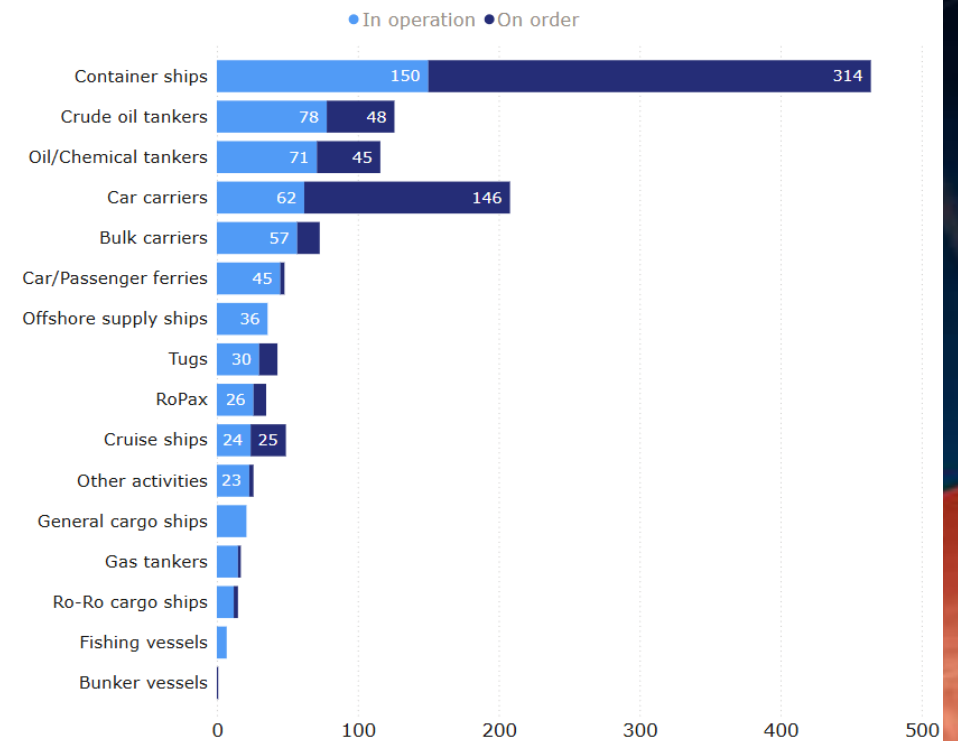
- Engines are available and in operation
- Methane slip can pose a challenge

## Green Credentials

- Reduction in well-to-wake GHG up to 23%
- Bio-LNG can further reduce the well-to-wake GHG by at least 70% (depending on production pathway)
- Methane slip from engine will impact WtW



LNG fuelled fleet by ship type



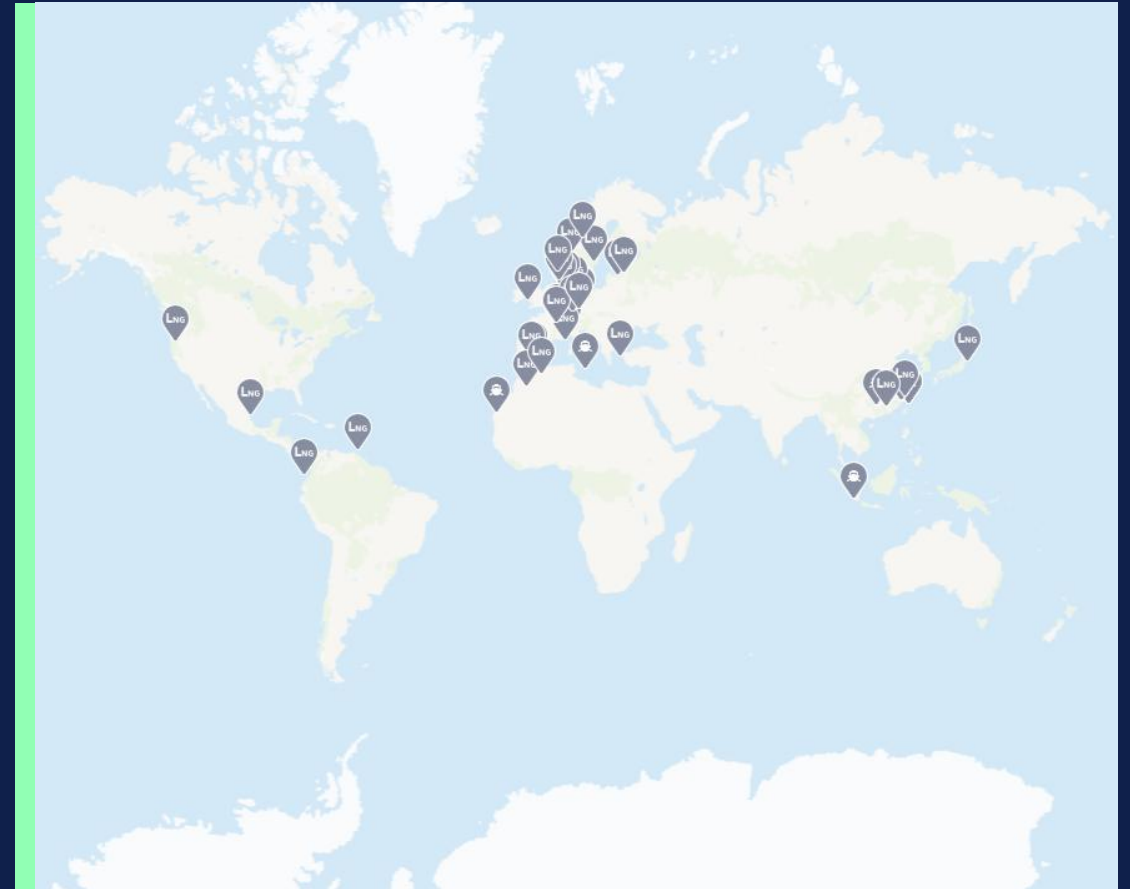
Source: DNV AFI

# LNG bunkering infrastructure is being developed to supply the growing fleet

**In operation**

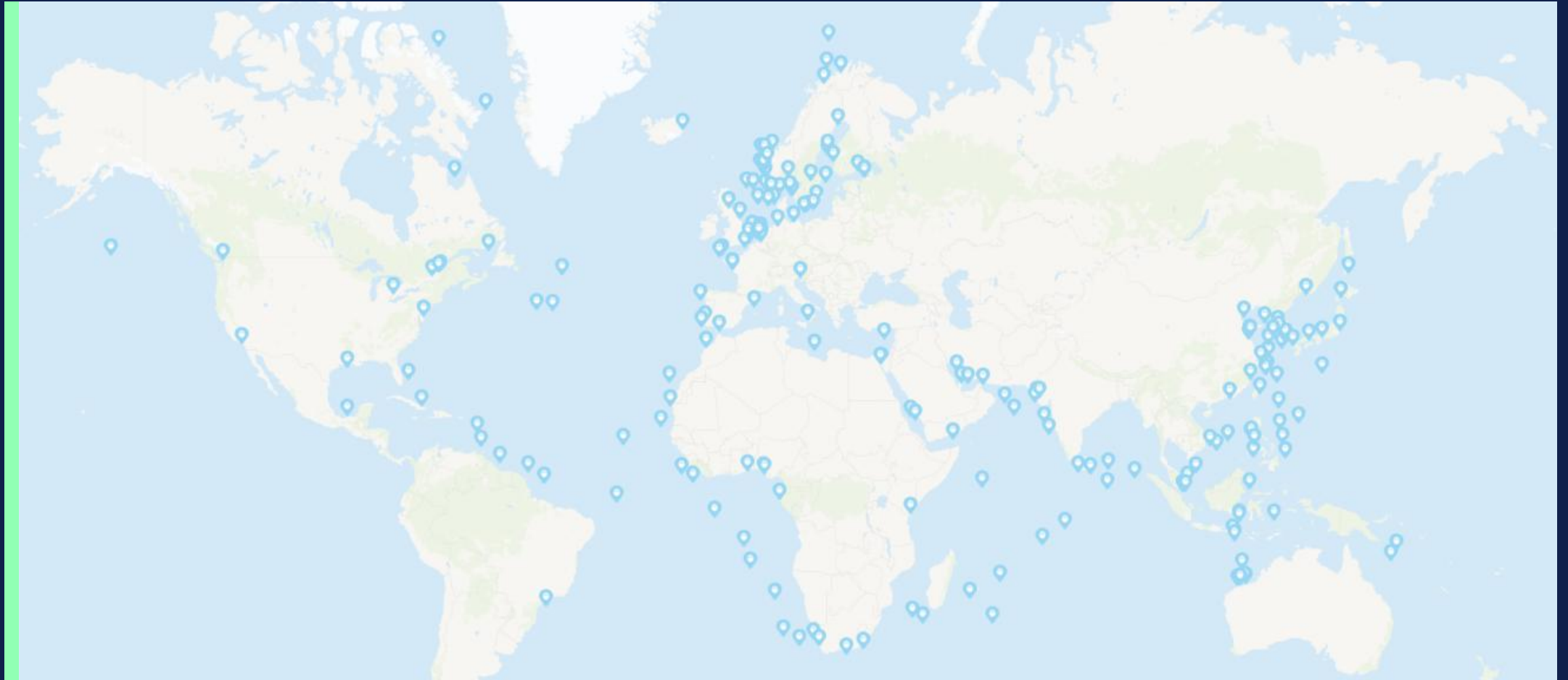


**Decided / under discussion**



Note: In the above maps, we only include dedicated bunkering infrastructure (bunker vessels and tank-to-ship)

# LNG-capable tankers and bulk carriers are trading globally



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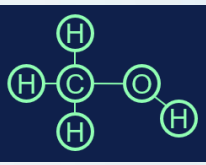
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# Methanol – Keeps getting interest



## Enablers

- Mature technology and industry experience
- Easier and less expensive than LNG
- Safer for environment in case of leakage
- Lower cost demand for infrastructure development

## Challenges

- Green methanol availability (hard on spot market)
- Maritime bunkering infrastructure is not well developed
- Lower energy density than HFO (2-2.5x)
- High FuelEx

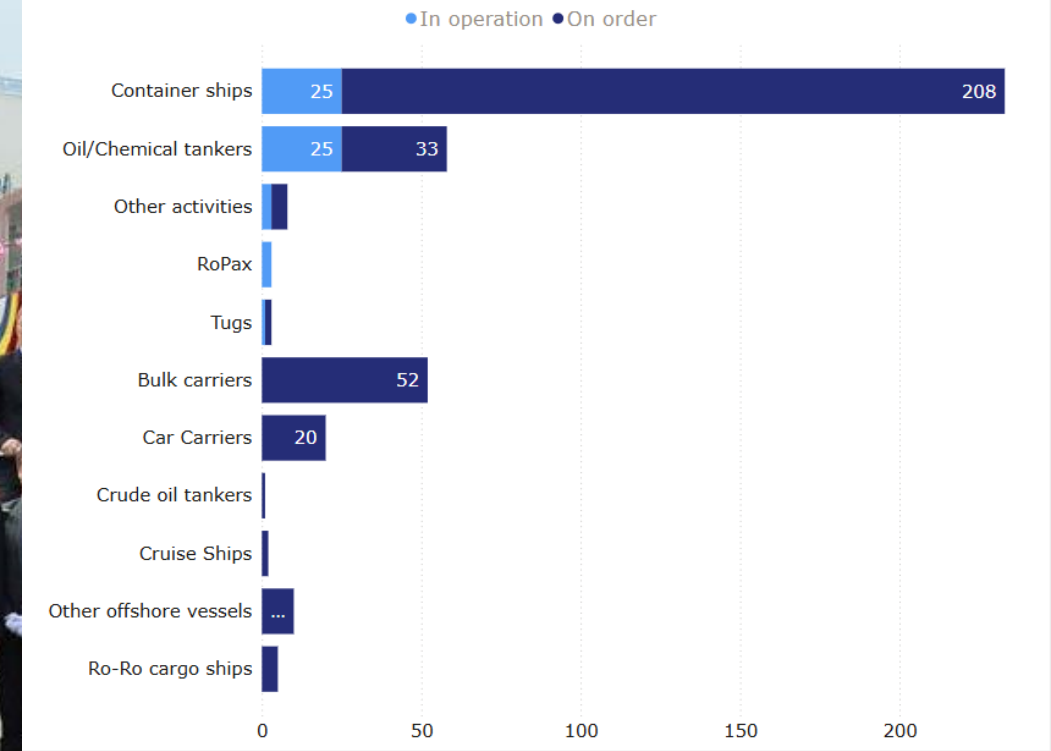
## Engines readiness

- Several sizes available and in operation
- Limited crew training requirements

## Green Credentials

- Fossil Methanol is worse than MGO in terms of WTW GHG emissions.
- Green Methanol (e-/bio) can provide compliance to 2050
- 8-9% improved EEDI compared to Fuel oil

## Methanol fuelled fleet by ship type



Source: DNV AFI

2016 – Lindanger:

1<sup>st</sup> methanol fuelled tanker (DNVGL)

# Methanol bunkering infrastructure is being developed to supply the growing fleet

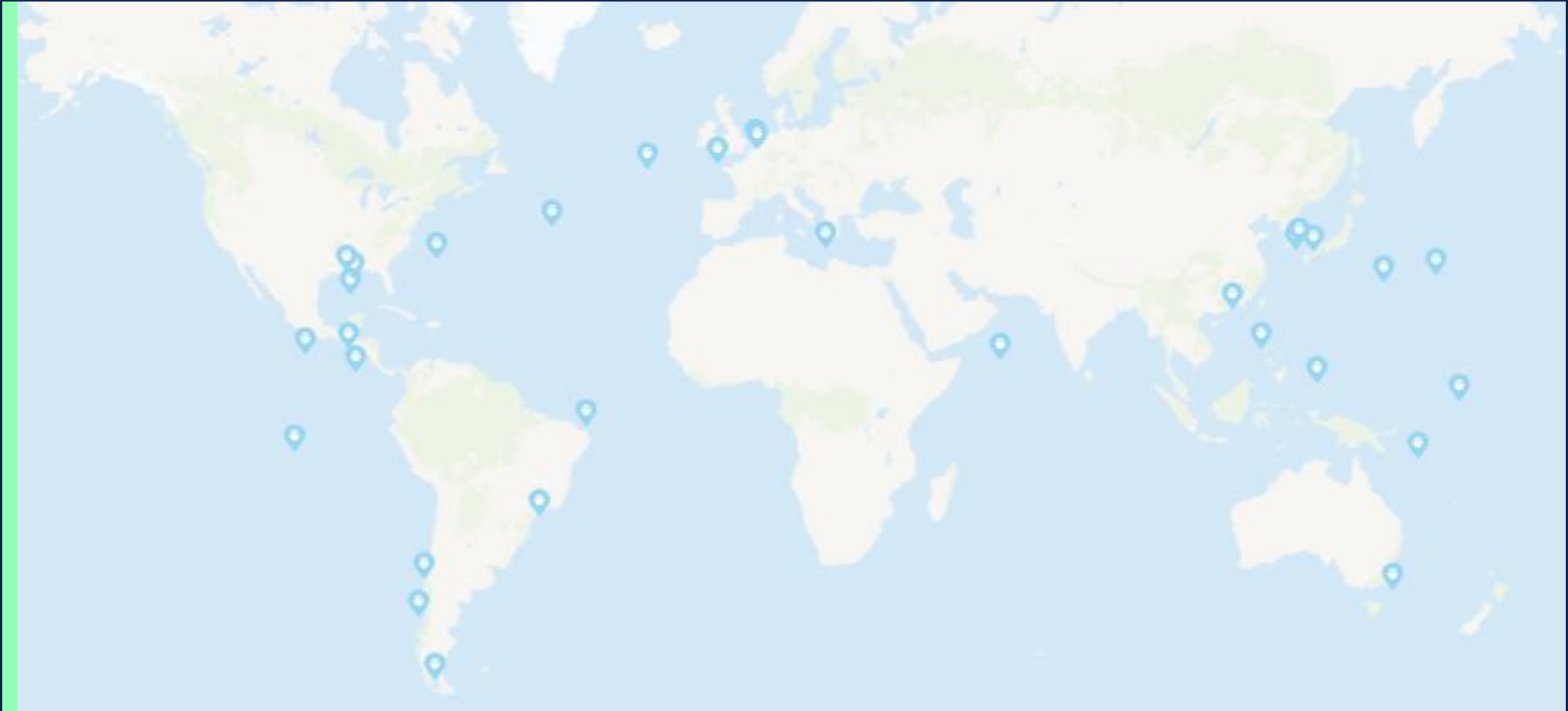
## Dedicated bunkering infrastructure



## All methanol terminal infrastructure



# Methanol-capable tankers and bulk carriers (mostly methanol tankers) are trading globally



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# Ammonia – getting ready

## Enablers

- Zero carbon fuel
- Large producers focus on ammonia – Will be available for land usage
- Good energy carrier (for Hydrogen)

## Challenges

- Toxic and corrosive (unmanned ER, double piping)
- Lower density => ~3-4 x conv. fuel tanks
- N<sub>2</sub>O, potent GHG
- Crew training for ammonia

## Engines readiness

- 2 stroke Engines are developed and tested
- 1st engine in 2026 ('26-'30 test period)

## Green Credentials

- NH<sub>3</sub> does not contain carbon – hence is a zero-carbon fuel TtW
- Grey Ammonia is worse than MGO WtW
- N<sub>2</sub>O slip – a possible challenge

- ✓ First orders placed early 2024
- ✓ 1<sup>st</sup> engine in 2026 ('26-'30 testing period)
- ✓ **IMO Interim Guidelines approved in CCC10**

Ammonia fuelled ships by ship type



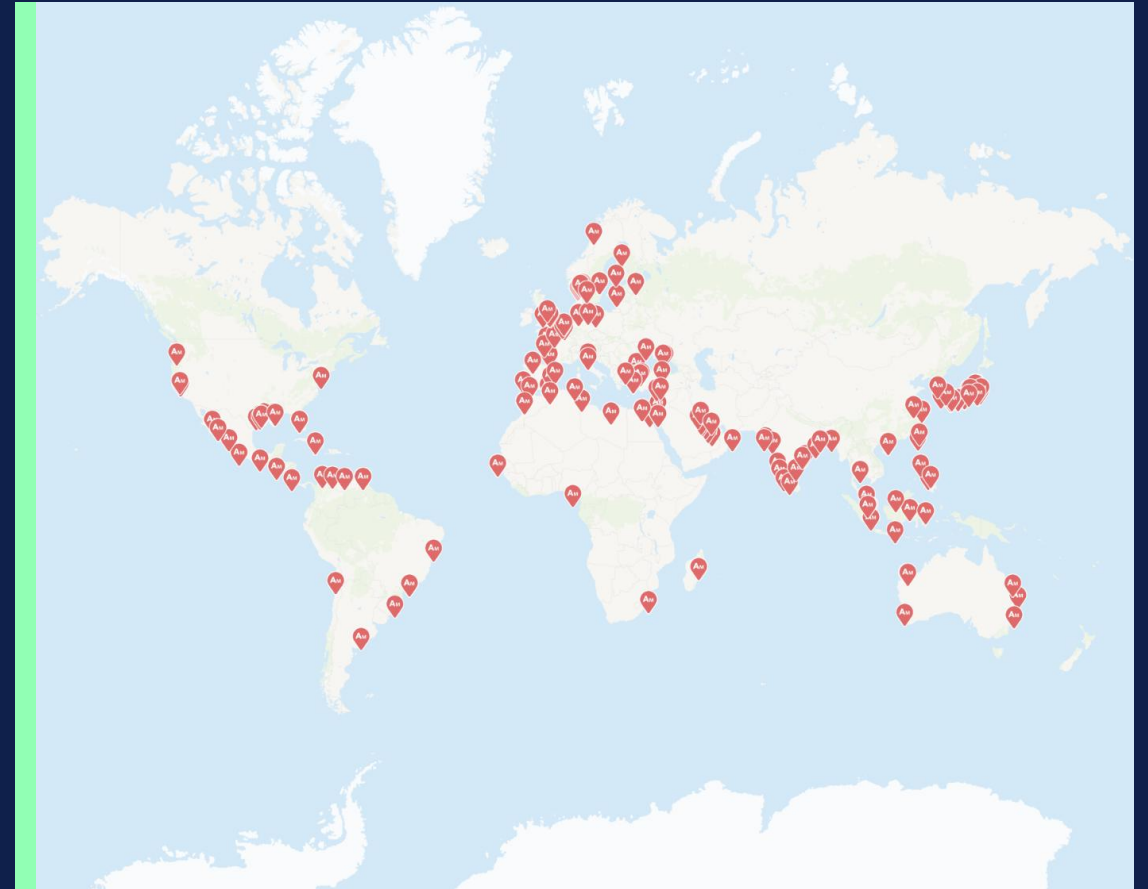
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# Ammonia bunkering infrastructure is being developed to supply the growing fleet

## Dedicated bunkering infrastructure



## All ammonia terminal infrastructure



Only three ammonia-capable vessels are in operation (1 offshore vessels and 2 tugs)



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# Hydrogen – the long term fuel

## Enablers

- Zero Carbon
- Land-based infrastructure

## Challenges

- Cost
- Fuel availability
- Readiness of fuel technologies
- Safety and immature safety regulations (flammability and low boiling point)

## Engines readiness

- Mainly smaller engines for ferries, tugs, crew, etc.
- Internal combustion engines or Fuel Cells.

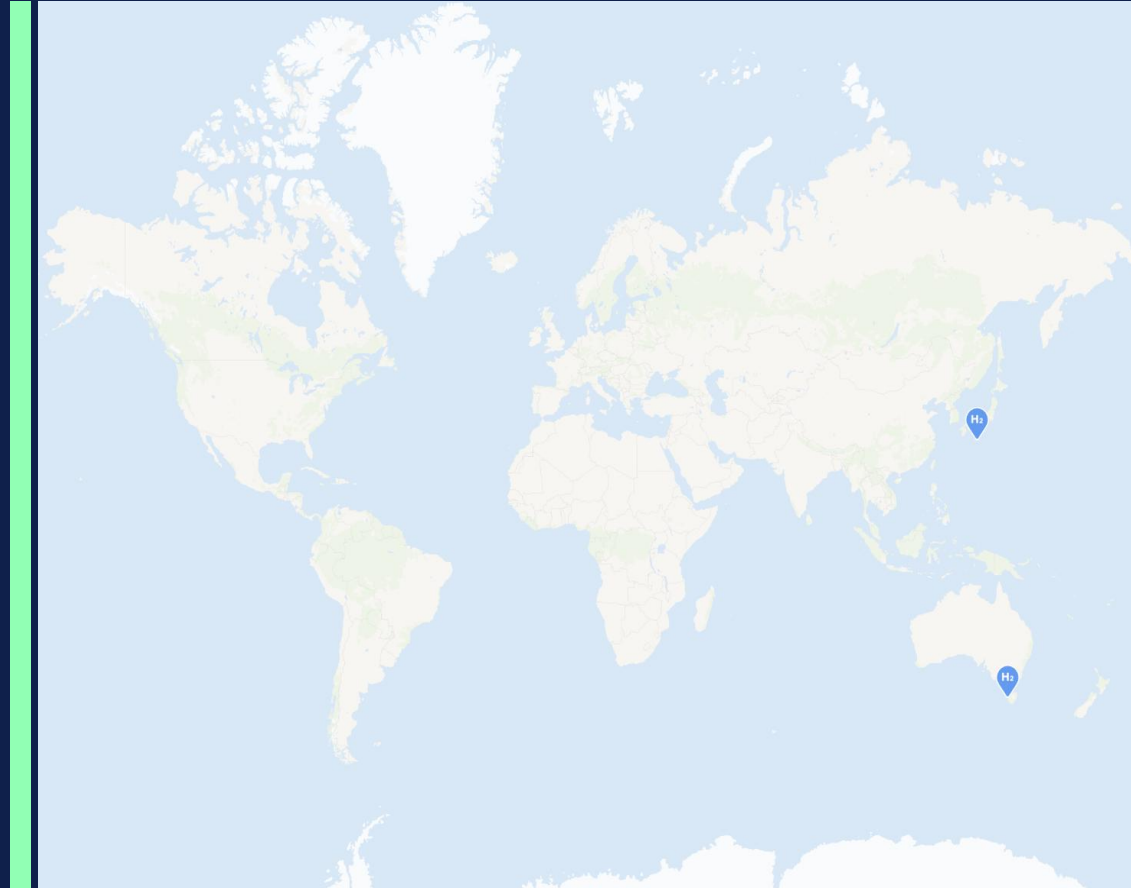
## Green Credentials

- H2 does not contain carbon
- Grey Hydrogen is worse than MGO WtW

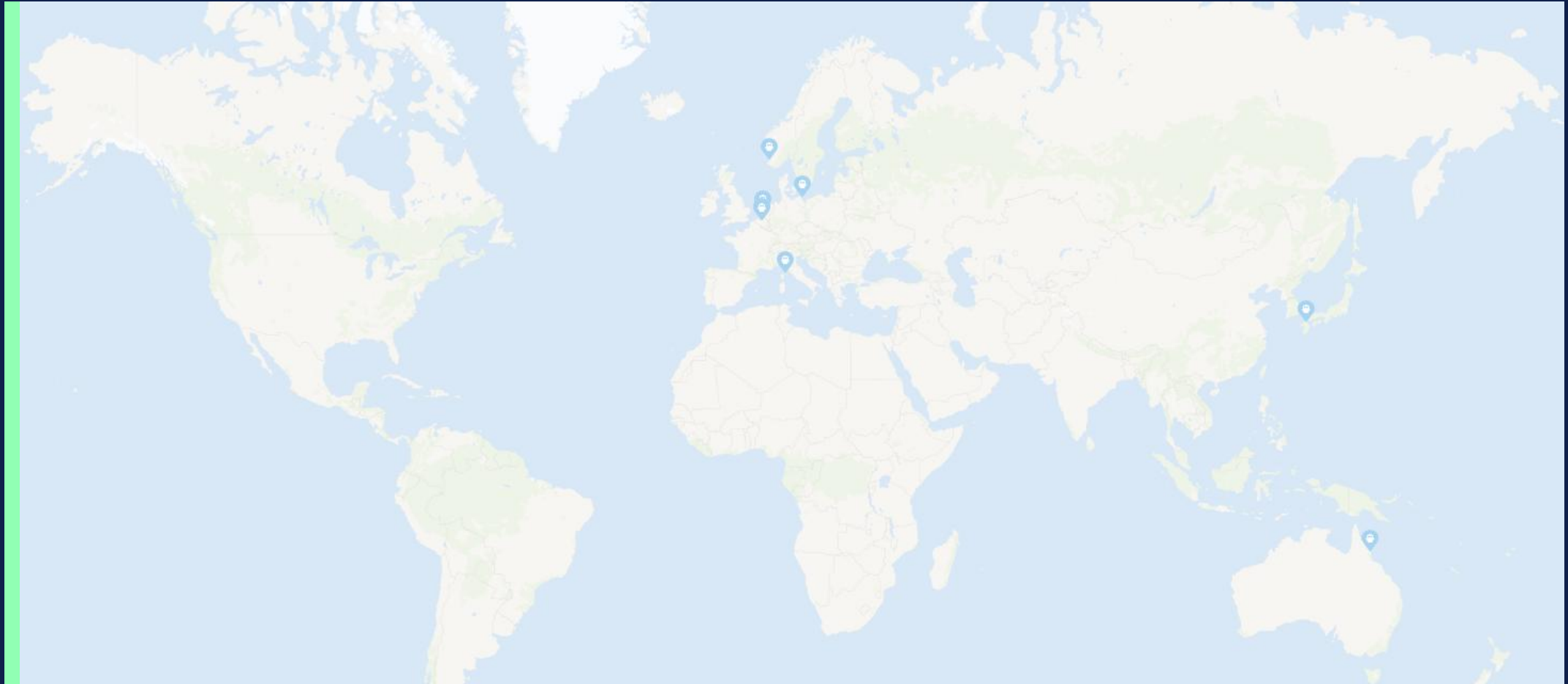


# Hydrogen bunkering infrastructure is at very early stage

## Dedicated bunkering infrastructure



Only eight hydrogen-capable vessels are in operation (smaller vessels), while many designs are currently being developed



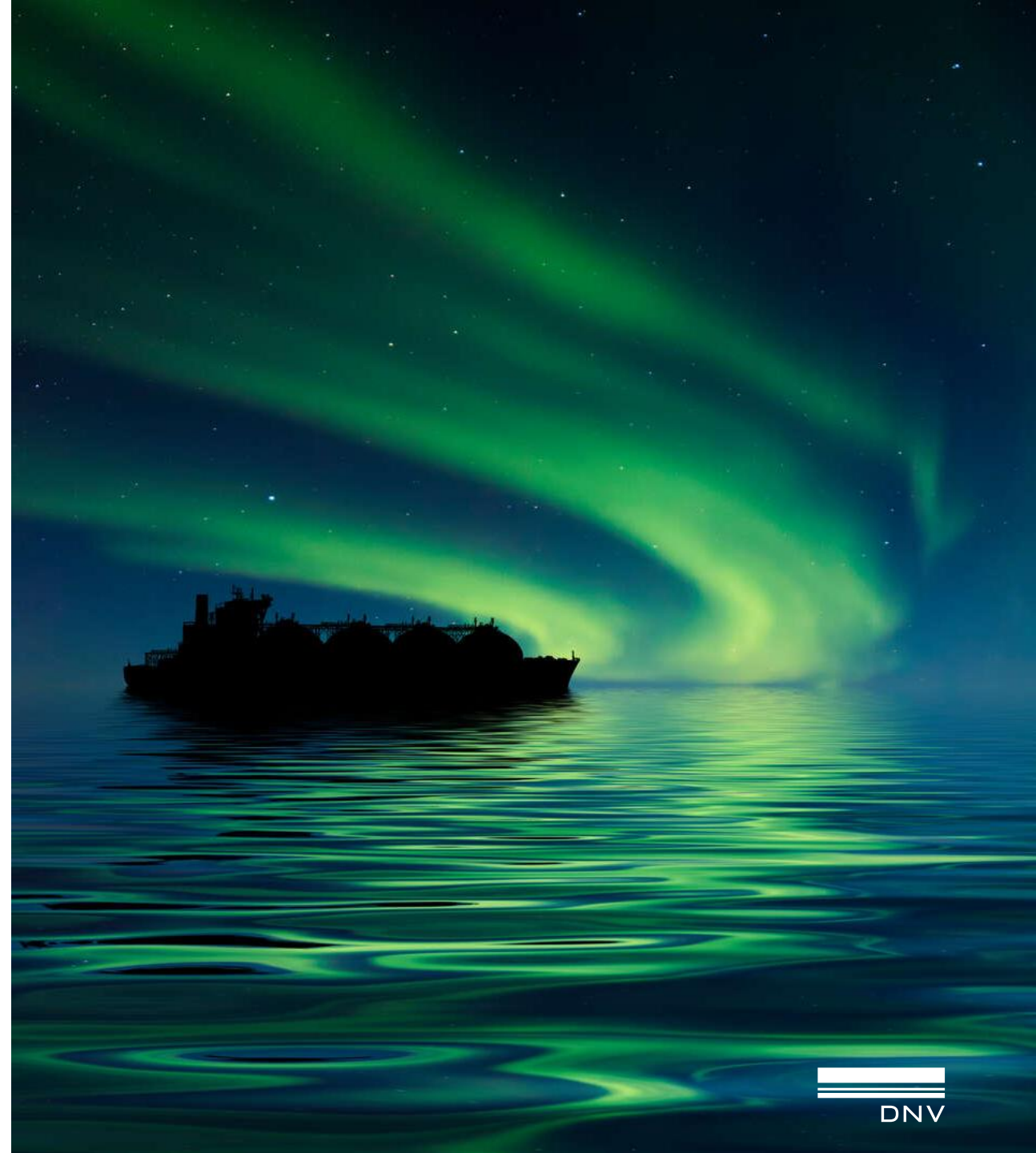
# Key takeaways

## Short-Term

- Containerships, Car Carriers, and Cruise ships have very high uptake.
- Majority of bulker and tanker newbuildings opt for fuel-ready solutions (e.g., LNG-ready, ammonia-ready, methanol-ready)
- Biodiesels and bio-LNG is likely to be the most accessible low-GHG fuels due to existing infrastructure and production capacity

## Long-Term

- Looking ahead, a broader range of fuel options will likely become available.
- The pace of adoption will vary depending on vessel type and trade routes.
- As low-GHG fuels remain relatively expensive, their use will strengthen the business case for implementing energy efficiency measures.



# Thank you!



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