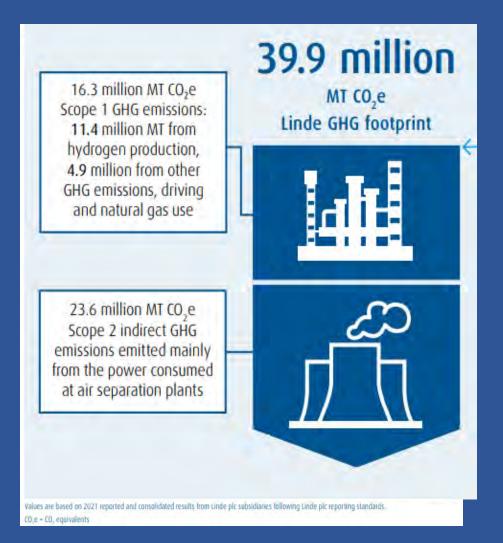
# Investing for a Just Energy Transition

A View from a Retired Corporate Executive

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## Linde plc: GHG Baseline



~40 MM MT GHG(1)

Scope 1 includes CH4 + Steam for Grey H2 production:

• 11.4 MM MT CO2e

Scope 2 includes 42 MM MWh<sup>(2)</sup> electricity for industrial processes:

• 23.6 MM MT CO2e

- (1) ≈ Switzerland
- (2) ≈ Hungary or New Zealand

# Linde plc: Climate Targets 2018-2020

#### Second-Quarter ESG Performance Target: 35% Reduction in GHG Emissions Intensity 2018-2028<sup>(1)</sup> Decarbonizing our future Signed MoU with China Power to develop green hydrogen energy in China · Will build and operate world's first hydrogen refueling station in Germany for passenger trains Signed MoU with CNOOC to jointly develop China's hydrogen energy industry **ESG Recognitions** 018 2019 1020 2020 2020 2021 2022 2023 2024 2025 2026 2027 2028 MSCI upgrades Linde's ESG<sup>(3)</sup> rating to A GHG Emissions Intensity(1) (Target: reduce by 35% in 2028) FTSE4Good Index Includes Linde for fifth - 16% reduction led by lower emissions over a higher profit base consecutive year - Hydrogen byproduct sourcing contributed to Scope 1 reduction vs. 2018 Linde named Top 25 in 100 Best Corporate Renewable energy(2) (Target: double annual purchase by 2028) Citizens of 2020 - Increased RE<sup>(2)</sup> to 38% of total power consumed vs. 35% in 2018 Leader in Diversity & Inclusion by DiversityInc (1) Scope 1 and 2 emissions (in Million MT) divided by adjusted proforma EBITDA in billion USD (2) Renewable energy (RE) includes solar, wind, hydro and nuclear energy (3) ESG = Environmental, social and governance

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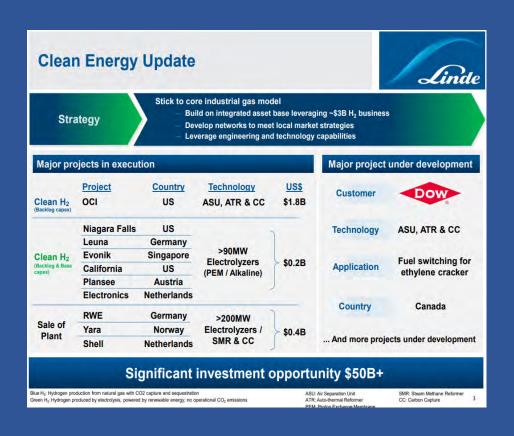
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# Linde plc: Clean Energy Strategy 2023



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#### 2023 Q1:

- Lead with Clean Energy Update
- \$50B+ Investment Opportunity
- 2MM MWh RE sourced in Brazil

# Clean Energy Transition – H2

- Clean and Green H2 broadly seen as having a role in net zero ambition
- 40+ governments have developed national H2 strategies
- National programs prompted by concerns about energy independence
- National hydrogen strategies include social equity concerns, e.g. local jobs
- Government incentives bring price parity with Grey and Blue H2
- Step-change in the number and scale of Clean and Green H2 investment projects
- New regional and global Clean Energy market opportunities for areas with sun, wind and land assets -- from South Africa to Saudi Arabia to South Dakota

## Reflections

- Opportunities for a global market in Clean Energy vs. emergence of national/ regional trade protectionism
- Endemic environmental and social trade-offs
- Legacy of 'resource curse'
- Enduring and Just Transition will require engaging locally with proximate problem solvers and implementers