



## Go to Where the Market is! Fuel Cells: Unlocking the Potential for Unknown Future Use

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#### Fuel Cell Applications (Stationary/Mobile/Portable)

- Several Fuel Cell companies are supplying their equipment to some Utilities worldwide...
- All car companies are working on vehicles with hydrogen and fuel cell drives...
- All computer manufacturers are working on portable fuel cells. A Toshiba H2/FC notebook will come on the market in 2004...



#### Still on Probation or Ready for Take-Off ?

- Fuel Cells technology has been on worldwide probation for the last 30 years...
- Billions of US \$ both from Private finance and Government funds - have already been invested
- Adoption was announced several times but often postponed...
- Critical Issues:
  - How long will it take to be commercial?
  - Will H2/FC be on probation for another 30

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#### Not Technical Possibilities but Consumer Demand

- The future of an H2/FC economy will not be dependent on the replacement of existing energy-powered products, but rather in products and/or services unknown today which will benefit our daily life tomorrow...
- Because of the "added value" benefits of these new products and/or services, this development is going to happen...

...sooner than many "experts" are thinking today!



# Go to Where the Market is! Why do Customers buy new Products?



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#### > World motor-vehicle production







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#### Necessary Conditions to reach the final Goal: Mass Demand will drive Mass Production

- Many circumstances have to be added: Which one is most important?
  - Activation of First-Movers
  - Growing Energy Demand
  - Environmental / Ecological Awareness
  - (Private) Entrepreneurship
  - Energy Security Concerns
  - and (less, please!!!) Political Support







#### European Map: 12MW Stationary, 27 Buses





#### **EUROPE: Some EU policy actions**

- Action Plan on energy efficiency
  - Improving Energy Efficiency: +18% from 1995 to 2010
  - Increasing the Share of Co-generation: 12% of EU-15 electricity by 2010
- White Paper on Renewable Energies
  - Doubling the Share of Renewable Energies from 6 to 12% of final energy
- Communication on Alternative Fuels
  - Hydrogen: 5% of road transport fuel by 2020 visit http://europa.eu.int/comm/energy\_transport/en/ga\_en.html





#### **CHINA: Scientific Research Foundation**

- National Natural Scientific Foundation (NSFC)
  - Fundamental Research
- "863 High Technology Research and Development"
  - High Technology Project with Commercial Potential
- "973 Project"
  - High Technology Fundamental Research
- Chinese Academy of Sciences, Ministry of Education
  - Fundamental and Applied Fundamental Research
- Industry

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- Applied Fundamental Research

Source: Dr. Honymei Yu, Dalian Institute of Chemical Physics, Chinese Academy of Sciences



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#### CHINA: 10th Five-Year Plan (2001-2005)

- "863 High Technology Project"
  - Key Project

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- Fuel Cell Vehicle for Car and Bus
  - *⊯*33 million EURO
- Fuel Cell Key Material Project Membrane, Bipolar Plate
- Future Energy Project
   DMFC, MCFC and SOFC

Source: Dr. Honymei Yu, Dalian Insitute of Chemical Physics, Chinese Academy of Sciences



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#### CHINA: 10th Five-Year Plan (2001-2005)

- "973 Project"
  - Hydrogen Energy (including Fuel Cells)
- National Natural Scientific Foundation (NSFC)
  - New Material, New Concept in Fuel Cells
- Chinese Academy of Sciences Key Project
   Fuel Cell Engine and Hydrogen Technology
- Industry

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- Hydrogen Production from Natural Gas, Methanol and Gasoline

Source: Dr. Honymei Yu, Dalian Insitute of Chemical Physics, Chinese Academy of Sciences



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- 90 companies from 19 countries showed their latest developments in 2003

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