





## PHOTOCATALYTIC CO<sub>2</sub> REDUCTIONS BY GREEN HYDROGEN



Timeline | 11/2021 to 10/2024



*Overall Budget* | 665,686.75 € | *CIQ's Budget* | 198,500.00 €



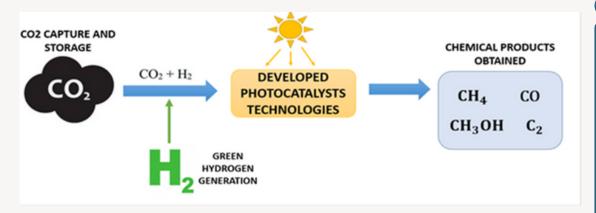
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## **SUMMARY**

**PHOTORED** aims at developing materials to promote selective  $CO_2$  hydrogenation with solar light. Four types of photocatalysts will be prepared and evaluated that will lead selectively to  $CH_4$  (photocatalytic Sabatier methanation), CO (photocatalytic reverse water gas shift),  $CH_3OH$  or  $C_2$ + products. These hydrogenation processes can be promoted thermally using Ni (Sabatier), CO, Fe (CO and  $C_2$ +) or CU (methanol) catalysts, but the thermal reactions require high temperatures (close to  $500\,^{\circ}C$  in several cases) and high pressures (up to 100 bars in the case of methanol synthesis) due to the high activation energy values required to activate  $CO_2$ . Photocatalytically these reactions will be promoted by solar light as the sole or primary energy source using appropriate photocatalysts of which the partners have obtained the proof of concept (selective photocatalytic methanol synthesis) or have reported recently appropriate photocatalysts (selective photocatalytic methanation, reverse water gas shift and  $C_2$ +). The photocatalytic  $CO_2$  hydrogenations will be carried out under continuous flow. The green hydrogen required in the process will be obtained by water electrolysis that is a mature technology, but it could be equally adapted to  $H_2$  obtained through photocatalytic overall water splitting.



## PLANNING

WORK PACKAGES	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3
WPO. COORDINATION, TRANSFER AND DISSEMINATION			
WP1. GREEN DEAL TARGET MOLECULES			
WP2. SYNTHESIS AND CHARACTERIZATION OF PHOTOCATALYSTS FOR CO₂ HYDROGENATION			
WP3. ANALYSIS AND EVALUATION OF THE DEVELOPED PHOTOCATALYSTS FOR CO <sub>2</sub> HYDROGENATION			
WP4. PILOT PLANT. PORTABLE PHOTOCALYTICS PROTOTYPE			

## **CONSORTIA**







