

A horizontal banner image divided into three sections. The left section shows several wind turbines against a blue sky. The middle section shows a large, detailed view of a ship's hull and deck. The right section shows an offshore oil rig on the ocean. The text 'The Energy & Marine Consultants.' is centered over the middle section.

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Hydrogen Fuel Cell Ferry Design (HySeas III)

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38

Countries



303**

Locations



+1000

People



* Includes subcontractors on 100% utilisation basis. Calculated as an average during Q4 2021.

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Additional note: the 38 countries number is driven by our offices, in terms of locations where we have surveyors etc we cover 71 countries, a truly global footprint

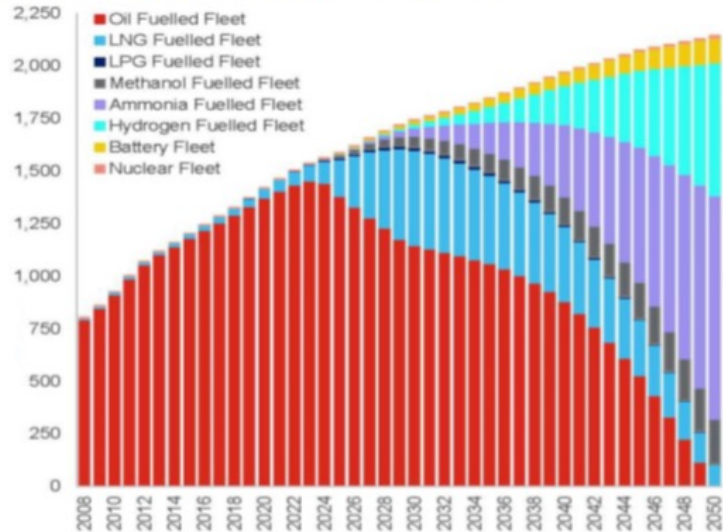
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Hydrogen in the Marine Industry

- Predicted growth in alternative fuels
 - LNG large initial growth but already tailing-off.
 - Methanol starting to enter market.
 - Ammonia expected to dominate for larger vessels.
 - Hydrogen expected to dominate for small vessels.

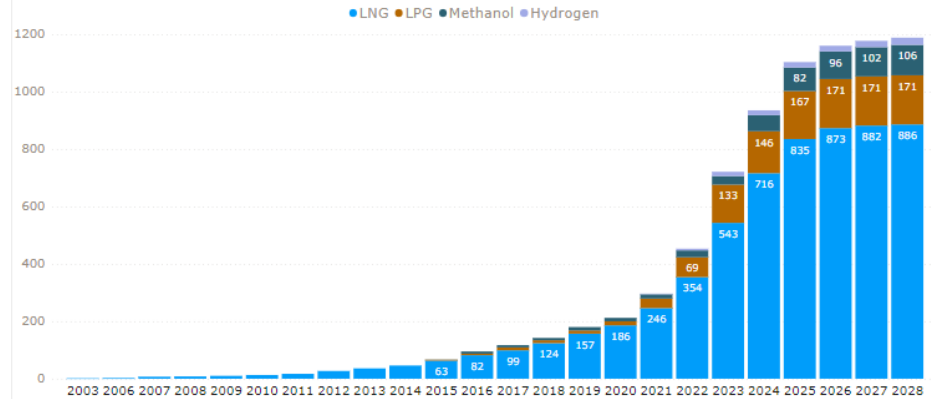
Fleet Development, Average Year, m. GT



Courtesy of Clarksons

- Hydrogen.
 - 3 in operation, 1 under testing.
 - 21 on order.
 - 25 vessels by 2028 (8 ICE, 17 Fuel Cell).
 - Expected to grow significantly especially for smaller vessels (CTVs, Ferries, Tugs).

Growth of alternative fuel uptake by number of ships



Courtesy of DNV

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Project Overview

HySeas Project

- Part of European Union Horizon 2020 program
- Three phases:
 - Hyseas I – theory of hydrogen powered vessels (2013)
 - Hyseas II – initial design of hydrogen fuelled vessel (2014-2015)
 - Hyseas III – Concept design. ABL/Longitude involvement



Specific Project Objective

- Concept design to a level of maturity to achieve independent 3rd party approval (e.g. Approval in Principle).
- Design which can be developed to Basic Design level with low risk



APPROVAL IN PRINCIPLE

Broader objectives

- A design (or template design) that can be applied to a number of different coastal / island communities for Caledonian Maritime Assets Ltd.



Current Vessel

Current Ship

- Single ended, ramped, vehicle and passenger ferry.
- Twin screw direct drive diesel propulsion.
- Built 1989 and lengthened 2011.
- Capacity for
 - 91 Passengers,
 - 15 Cars, or
 - 1 Heavy Goods Vehicle (HGV).
- 37 round trips per week
- Average Annual CO₂ emissions of 458 tonnes.

MV Shapinsay

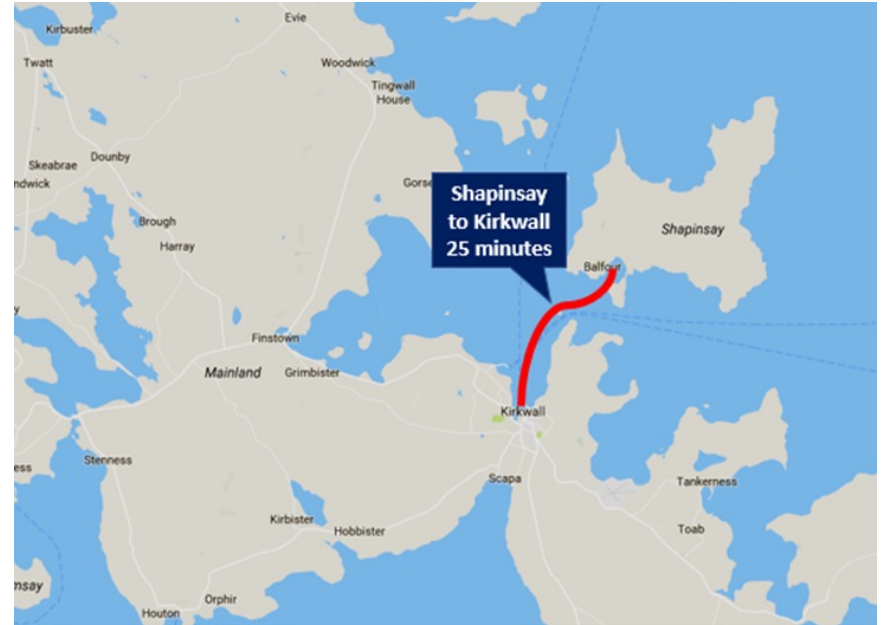


Route and Vessel Requirements

Basic requirements

- Double ended ferry designed for the Kirkwall to Shapinsay route
- Up to 6 Round trips per day.
- Capacity for
 - 120 Passengers, plus
 - 16 Cars, or
 - 2 Heavy Goods Vehicles (HGVs), or
 - Combination of cars, HGVs or motorhomes.
- Electric propulsion
 - Hydrogen Fuel Cells
 - Batteries

Route



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Concept Design

Dimensions

- Length: LOA = 40.00m LBP = 37.20m
- Breadth: 11.50m
- Depth: 2.50m

Compressed Hydrogen Fuel

- 10 tanks (32 kg of H₂ @ 250 bar).
- Bunkered from pier to two locations onto ship

Fuel Cells

- Two LT-PEM. Space for a third
- Power for propulsion and auxiliaries at 9.5 knots, 15% sea margin

Batteries

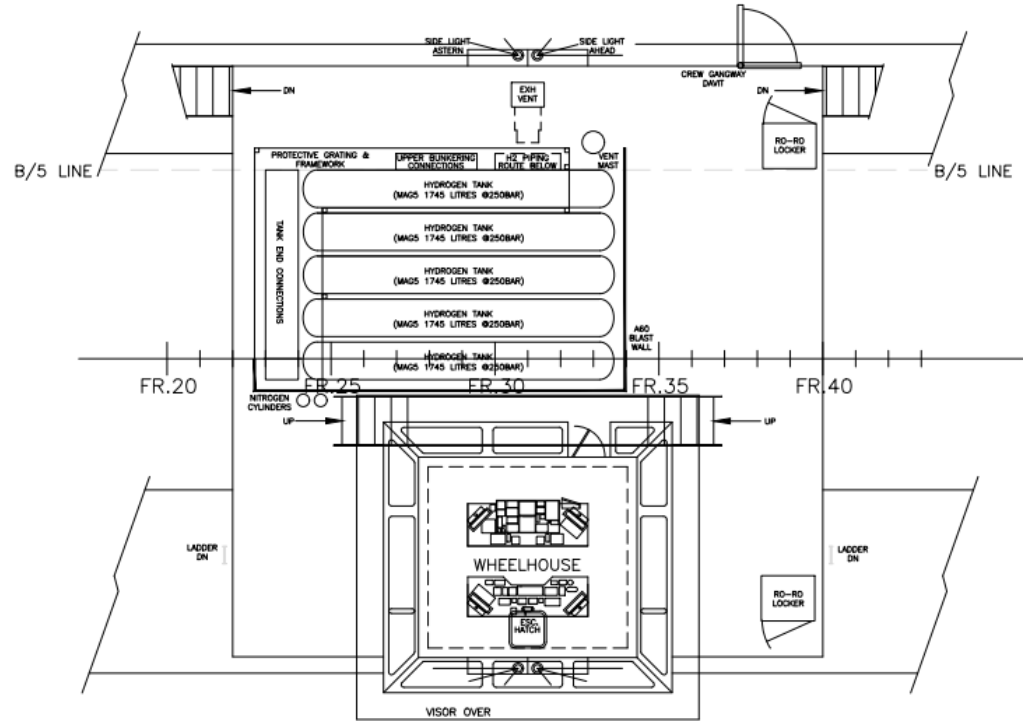
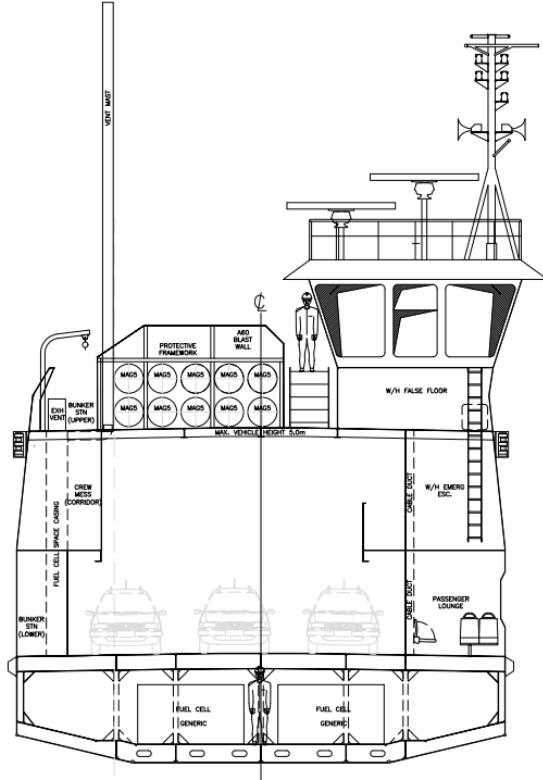
- Peak load shaving, propulsion assistance, range extension and return to port facility. Located in two separate spaces.

Twin Electric Voith Schneider Propulsion.

Concept Design Rendering

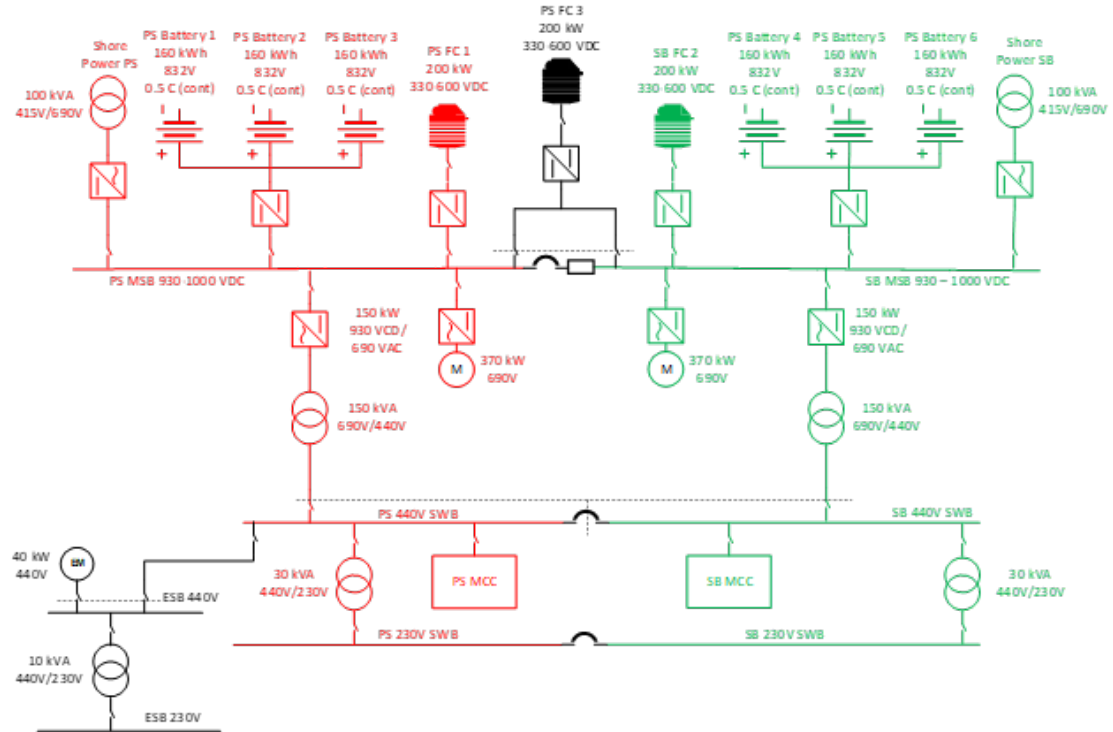


Vessel GA – Bridge Deck



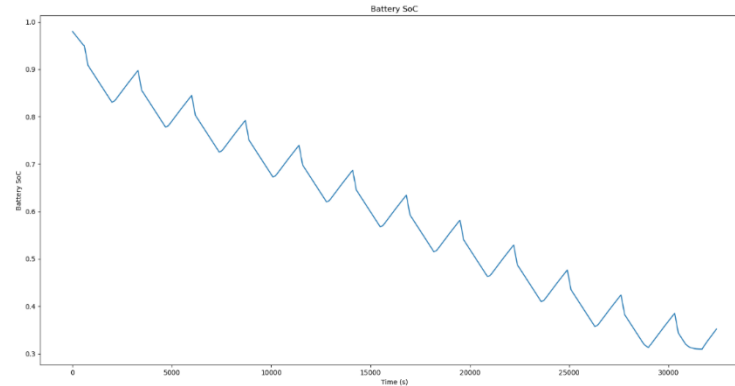
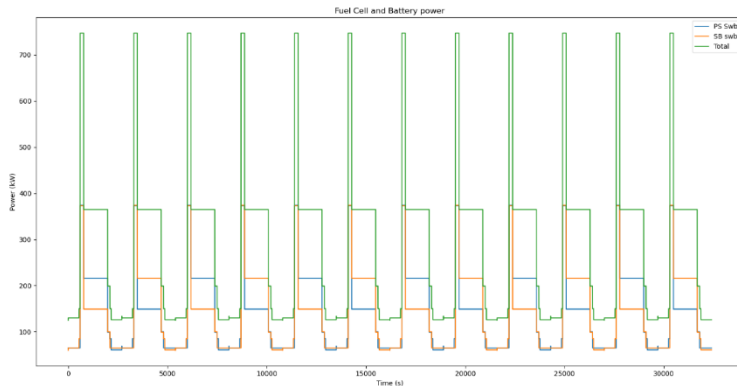
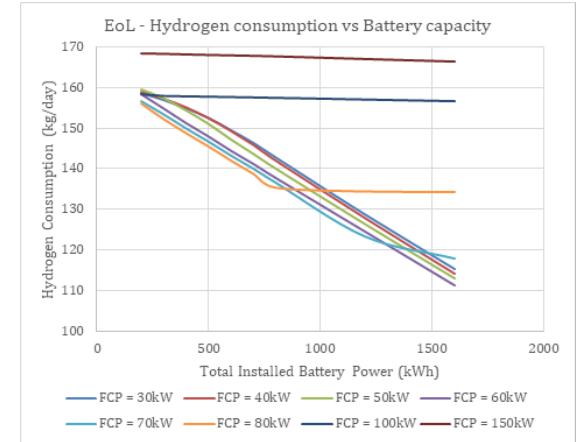
Electrical SLD

- DC distribution system (930 - 1,000 VDC).
- Operated closed bus.
- 6 x 160 kWh battery strings arranged in 2 groups (832V).
- 2 or 3 x 200 kW LT PEM FC (330-600 VDC).
- 2 shore power connection points for battery charging (3 phase 415 VAC).
- 2 x 370 kW Voith SWB propulsion units (690 VAC).
- 440VAC and 230VAC switchboards for auxiliaries.
- Emergency switchboards and generator (40kW).



Modelling for hydrogen sizing

- Need to determine hydrogen consumption based on vessel operation.
- Load profile based on vessel hydrodynamics and expected operating profile. Hotel loads based on load analysis.
- Beginning-of-Life and End-of-Life characteristics considered for fuel cell and batteries.
- Python code to model system built and Power Management System (PMS) to simulate system performance.
- Hydrogen consumption determined for various configurations.



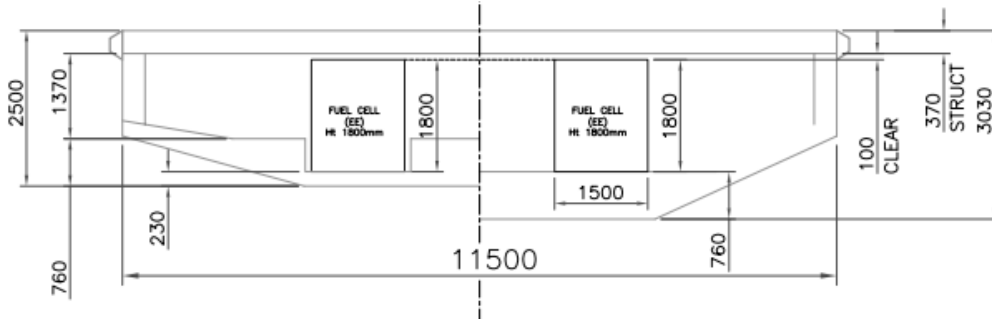
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Design Constraints and Challenges

Project / Design challenges

1. Absence of specific marine hydrogen fuel regulations.
2. Unclear route to approval
3. Equipment selection – procurement rules, vendor engagement, lack of vendors with fully developed products.
4. Spatial constraints – equipment, hazardous zones.



Guidance



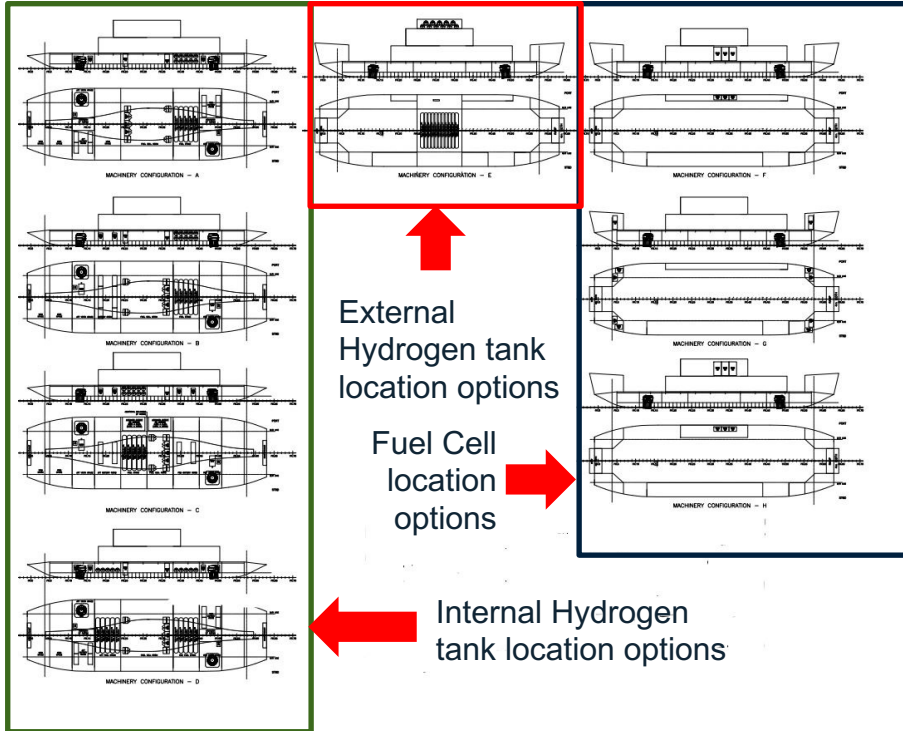
WHEN TRUST MATTERS

HANDBOOK FOR HYDROGEN-FUELLED VESSELS



Design Constraints and Challenges II

Tank location options



Restrictions

Options limited by ships function and IGF code.

- Below Main deck – insufficient space.
- Main deck - encroachment of vehicle capacity.
- Upper deck – all possible locations prohibited by IGF code.
- Bridge deck – only credible location.

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Conclusions

- Hydrogen as a marine fuel is in it's infancy but beginning to make a breakthrough.
- Short sea ferries are a viable vessel type for hydrogen powered vessels.
- Numerous challenges from both vessel design and infancy of hydrogen vessels.
- Vessel design constraints limited,
 - Hydrogen storage location and volume.
 - Height restrictions in machinery spaces.
 - Hazardous zones and safety equipment location.
- Industry barriers,
 - Lack of approved equipment options was a problem.
 - No clear design process due to lack of regulations and approval process.
- Overall conclusion is that hydrogen powered vessel market will begin expanding quite rapidly, however barriers still exist.



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