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### VIEWS YOU CAN USE



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More clarity equals more investors. Investors cannot really understand the scale of the opportunities that hydrogen might offer as demand is unclear, for example. We must reassure them. We also need to make sure that the market is sustainable with new technologies. Many technology providers we have been speaking to are ready, but key questions remain about the readiness of the market, the status of demand, and where the funds will come from. This includes the private sector. Also, it needs to be clearer what investors can gain in terms of returns on investment (ROI) to give them confidence.

### A national hydrogen strategy?

There must be more collaboration in research and development (R&D) between the private sector governments and industry-academia, as there are still many unknowns about hydrogen. There is an opportunity for governments to step up and take a multi-nation role under a common strategy, so that all parties are aligned and there is more clarity. We work with clients who are really confused about demand, for example.

### Focus on CI, not colors

What if we just forget about the colors of hydrogen and we just focus on the carbon intensity (CI), because we want to get the balance right. Eventually, we will get to green hydrogen. Right now, we must give producers, stakeholders, and markets the chance to work out things out. We will get there. ■

*\*Paraphrased Comments*

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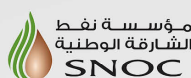


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**“We know that achieving circularity is not a ‘one person, one company, or one organization’ job.”**

**Riad Bestani**

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