

Hydrogen lightweight & innovative tank

H₂ ELIOS

Revolutionizing the aviation industry with innovative hydrogen storage technologies for zero-emission aircraft



About H2ELIOS

The H2ELIOS project is an ambitious research and development project focused on the **development of an innovative hydrogen storage solution for aviation use.**

Hydrogen-powered aircrafts are seen as a promising solution to the problem of increasing CO₂ emissions from aviation.

Our goal is to **reduce emissions and minimize the**

environmental impact of the aviation industry by developing a lightweight and cost-effective solution for storing liquid hydrogen.

The H2ELIOS project will be at the forefront of hydrogen storage technology in aviation. Our ultimate aim is to **develop a hydrogen storage system that can be seamlessly integrated into an aircraft's primary structure.**

We will be using **sustainable, lightweight polymer-based materials** for the tank structure and will employ **automated techniques for manufacturing** to ensure close tolerances and high-quality finishes. This will not only provide a **more environmentally friendly solution**, but also **improve the overall efficiency of the aircraft.**

Innovative Technologies

LH2 storage solution	Virtual models of LH2 Storage	Integration	Sustainability	Testing Methodologies	H2 Management & Safety
Inner tank External tank Insulation system Structural Health Monitoring	Thermodynamic & hydrodynamic digital twin LH2 Storage simulation Structural Digital Twin	Integration at aircraft architecture level Tank as load bearing structure	Tank design optimization Sustainability assessment Cradle - to - cradle LCA	Structural and functional full scale tests Damage tolerance	Leak detection Cryogenic valves Shut-off valves Pressure relief valves Internal H2 management system

Key Features



Objectives

- Define **technical requirements** for a LH2 storage solution in aviation.
- Design, develop and optimize** a LH2 storage solution.
- Characterize the functional behavior** of a LH2 storage solution.
- Build a storage prototype** of the tank and its auxiliary subsystems.
- Perform ground tests** to demonstrate the feasibility of safe storage.
- Assess the sustainability** of the proposed solutions through Life Cycle Assessment (LCA).
- Monitor costs through **Life Cycle Cost Analysis (LCCA)** and reduce them.
- Tackle **refuelling challenges.**
- Pave the way** for future certification of the LH2 storage solution.
- Build synergies** with other relevant projects.
- Disseminate results** to relevant stakeholders in the aviation sector.

Enabling a sustainable clean aviation future

Our Team



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