



# Prospects for renewable marine fuels

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## Shift will inform smarter Nordic transport and energy policy

- By developing and applying tools that integrate modal shifts, fuel options, business models and consumer behaviour into scenario modelling and in-depth analysis



Nordic Energy Research  
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# Possible marine fuels options

## *Diesel-quality fuels*

Heavy fuel oil (HFO)  
Low sulphur HFO (<1 wt. % S)  
Low sulphur distillate fuels (<0.1 wt. % S)  
Vegetable oils  
Hydrotreated vegetable oil (HVO)  
Pyrolysis oil  
Biodiesel  
Biomass-to-liquid (BTL)/synthetic biodiesel  
Gas-to-liquid (GTL)/synthetic diesel (Fischer-Tropsch)

## *Gases*

Liquefied natural gas (LNG)  
Liquefied biogas (LBG)  
Dimethyl ether (DME)  
Liquefied petroleum gas (LPG)  
Hydrogen/hydrogen with carbon capture and storage (CCS)

## *Alcohols*

Methanol  
Ethanol  
Butanol  
OBATE-fuel

## *Solid fuels*

Uranium  
Coal  
Wood

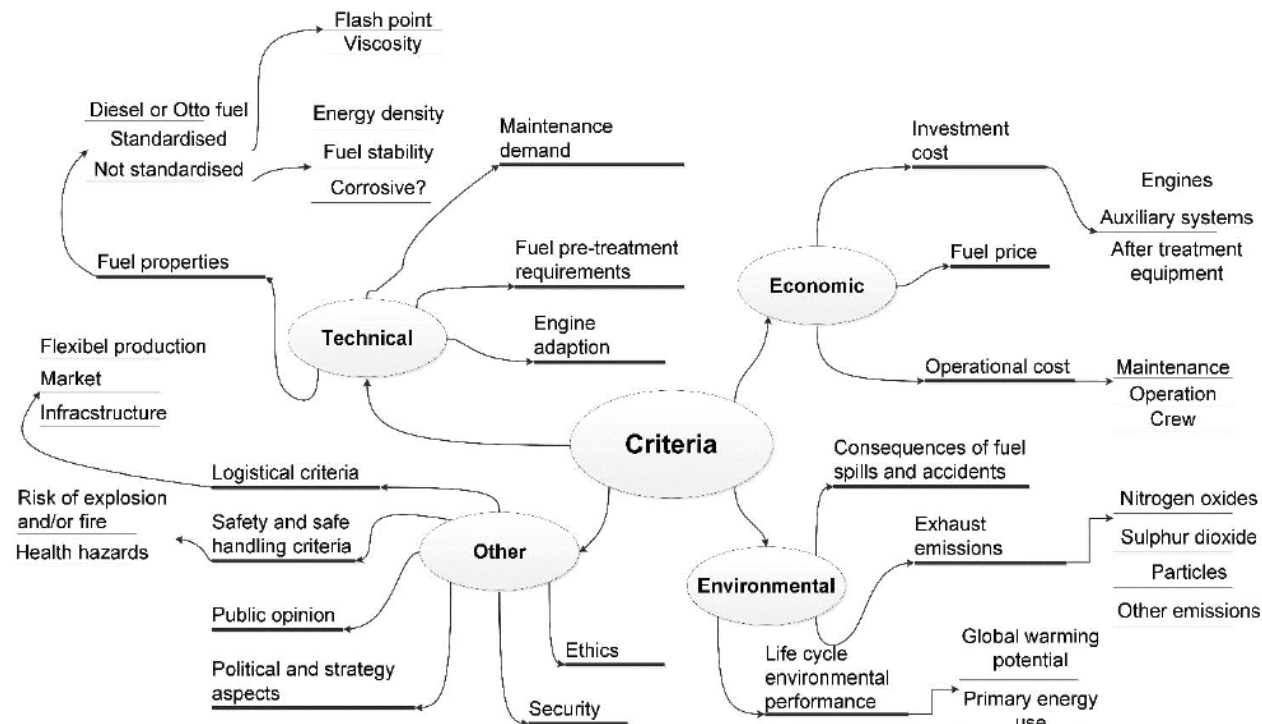
Electricity

(Brynolf, 2014)



# Background

- Choice of fuel warrants an analysis of a range of different factors as price, availability, technology maturity level, safety, environmental impact, policies etc.





# Initial results from a Multi-criteria Decision Analysis of Alternative Fuels for the Maritime Sector





## Overall aim

- To assess the prospect of renewable fuels in the shipping sector by conducting a multi-criteria decision analysis of selected alternative fuels with a panel of shipping sector related stakeholders.
- The multi-criteria decision analysis model Analytic Hierarchy Process is used.
- Time perspective 2030



# Objectives

- What are the relative economic, technical, environmental and social impacts of the selected alternative marine fuels?
- What are the relative importance of different criteria in the selection of alternative marine fuels according to stakeholders?
- What alternative marine fuel is most preferable considering the stakeholders' preferences?



## Included marine fuels

- Liquefied natural gas (LNG)
- Methanol produced from natural gas (NG-MeOH)
- Methanol produced from biomass (Bio-MeOH)
- Hydrogen produced from electrolysis by wind power (Elec-H<sub>2</sub>) with fuel cells

10 criteria (Economic, technical, environmental and social)





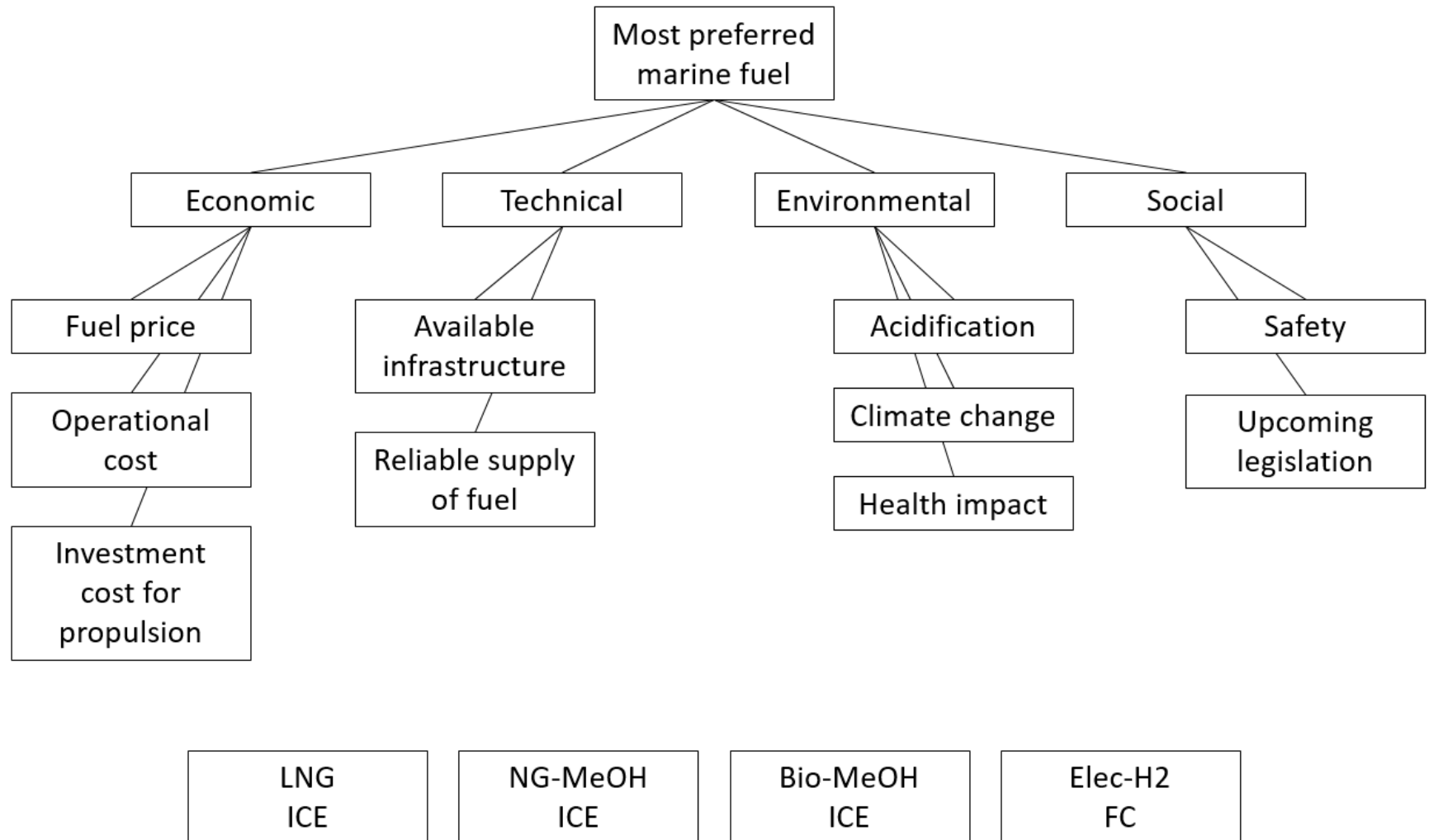
# Multi-Criteria Decision Analysis

- MCDA is a tool for managing complex decision problems
- Score alternatives and weight the criteria
- The alternative marine fuels are ranked based on how they perform with respect to the selected criteria and the relative importance of the criteria
- Possible to consider differing views





# Hierarchy tree





# Multi-Criteria Decision Analysis

- Pairwise comparisons
- Alternatives are scored based on how they perform with regard to a specific sub-criteria
- Criteria are given weights based on how important they are
- Results in ranking
- Intensities from 1-9 are used



# Scoring of Alternative Marine Fuels

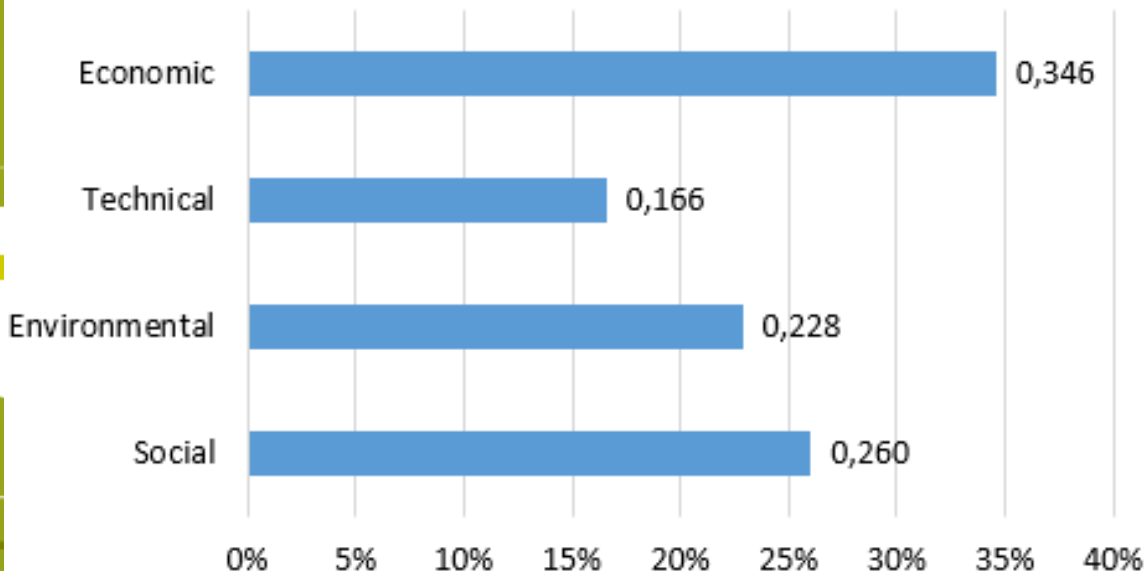
- LNG best in: Fuel price, Available infrastructure
- NG-MeOH best in: Investment cost, Operational cost, Safety
- Bio-MeOH best in: Investment cost, Operational cost, Safety
- Elec-H2 best in: Reliable supply of fuel, Acidification, Climate change, Health impact, Upcoming legislation





# Relative Importance of Criteria for Joint Stakeholder Scoring

Criteria weights



Most important sub-criteria (for each group of criteria) are:

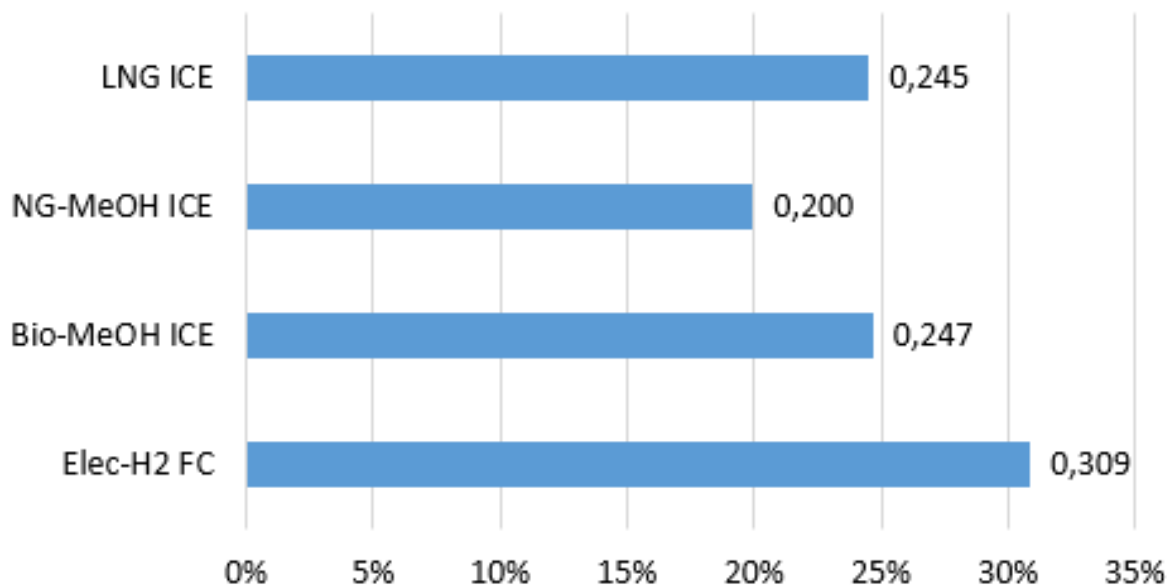
- Fuel price
- Reliable supply of fuel
- Climate change
- Upcoming legislation





# Ranking Order of Alternative Marine Fuels for Joint Stakeholder Scoring

Ranking of alternative marine fuels



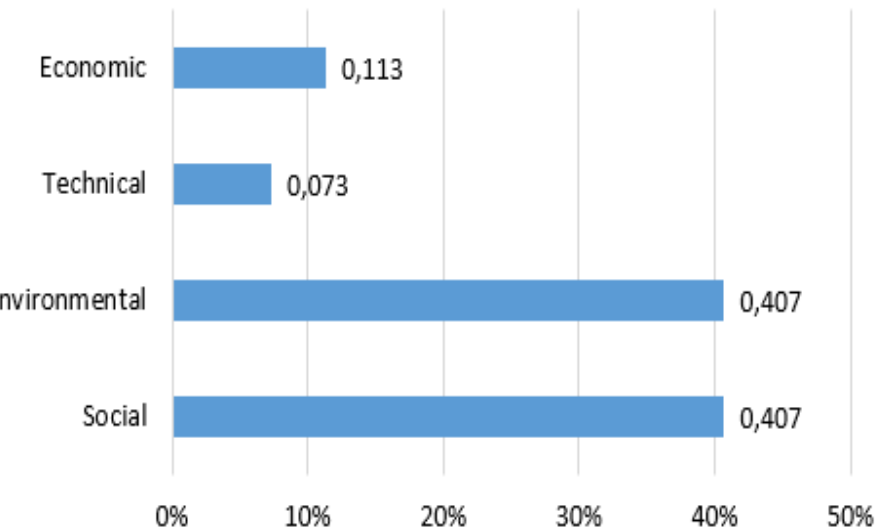
The ranking order of LNG and Bio-MeOH is sensitive to changes in criteria weights and perspectives used in scoring

Most “preferred” fuel: Hydrogen followed by bio-methanol and LNG (equally preferred)

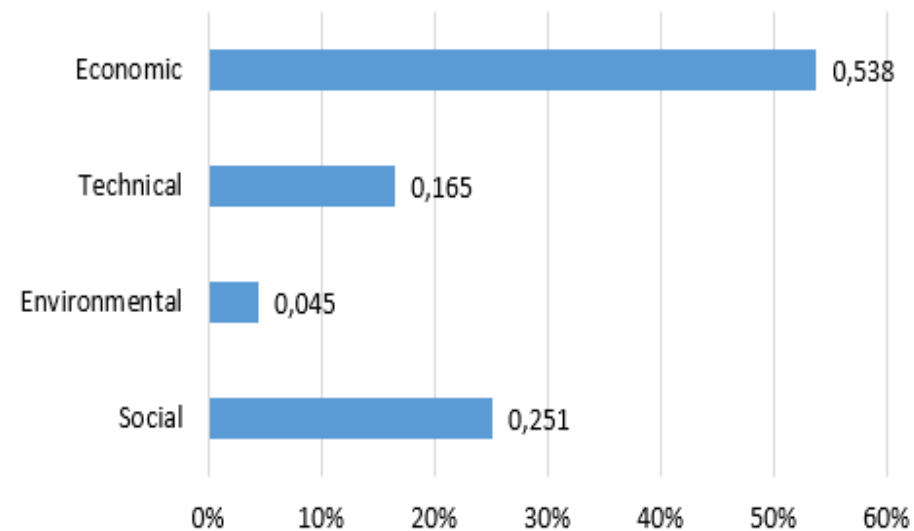


# Fictional Authority and Ship-owner Weights

Authority role-play criteria weights



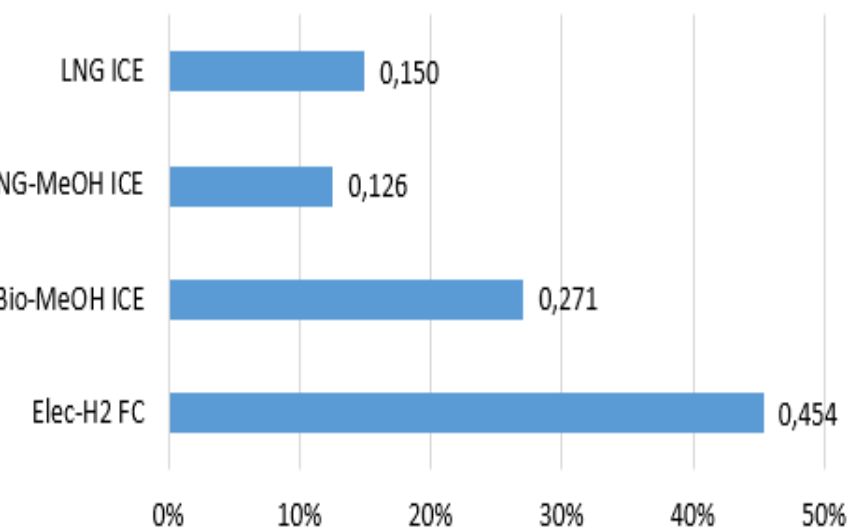
Shipowner role-play criteria weights





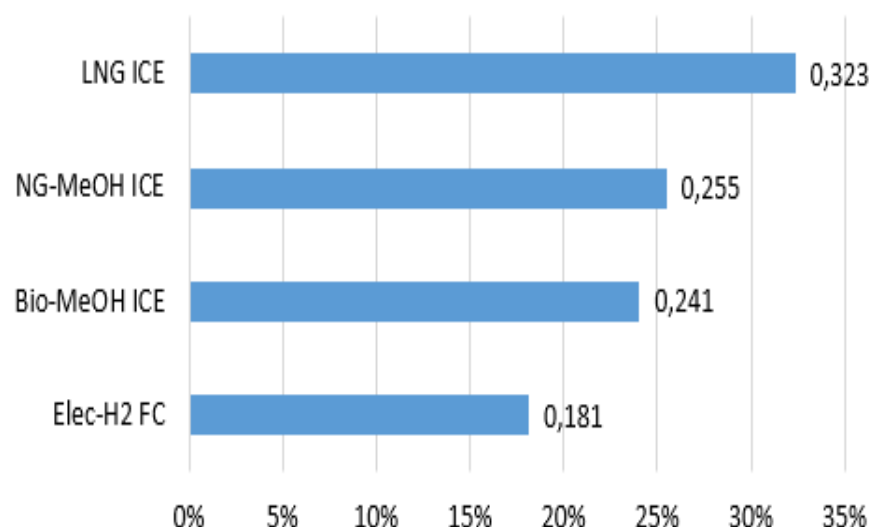
# Fictional Authority and Ship-owner Ranking Orders

Authority role-play ranking of alternative marine fuels



Most “preferred” fuel:  
Hydrogen followed by  
bio-methanol

Shipowner role-play ranking of alternative marine fuels



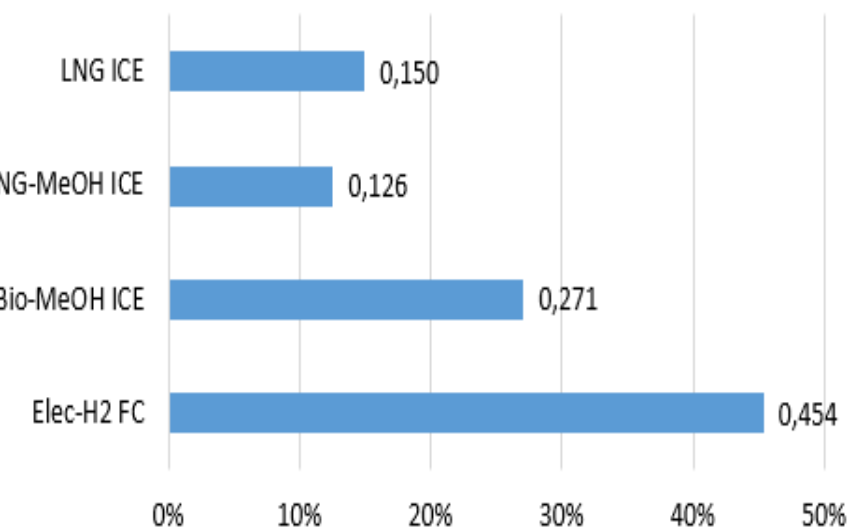
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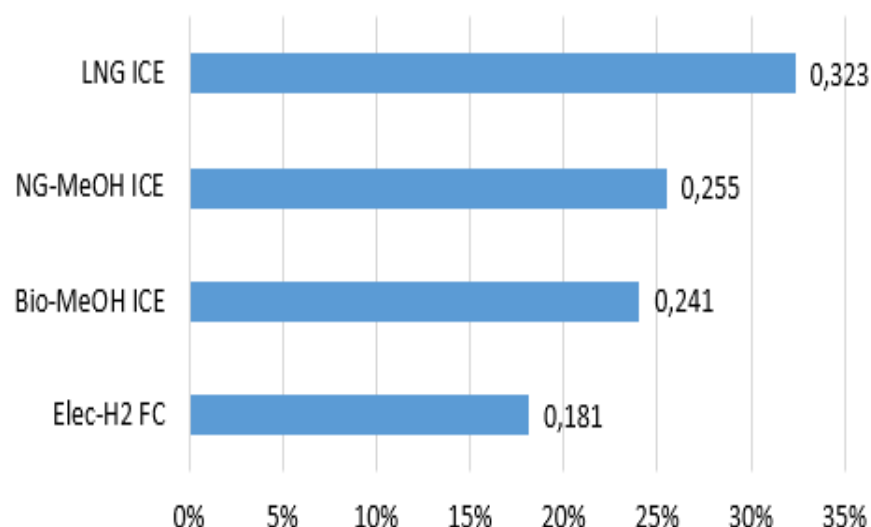


# Fictional Authority and Ship-owner Ranking Orders

Authority role-play ranking of alternative marine fuels



Shipowner role-play ranking of alternative marine fuels



Result for fuel and engine manufacturer:  
H2 or H2/LNG, LNG, bioMeOH, fossil MeOH



# Stakeholders

- Stena Line
- Wallenius Marine
- Wärtsilä
- Preem
- Swedish Maritime Administration
- Swedish Transport Administration
- Energigas
- SSPA
- Environmental analysis Vehicles and Fuels
- Gothenburg University
- Chalmers University of Technology
- IVL Swedish Environmental Research Institute



# Discussion

The results depend on:

- The alternative marine fuels included (aim to include more biomass based options)
- Selected criteria
- Perspectives used in scoring (will be improved)
- Mix of stakeholders
- More sensitivity analyses

Result may change





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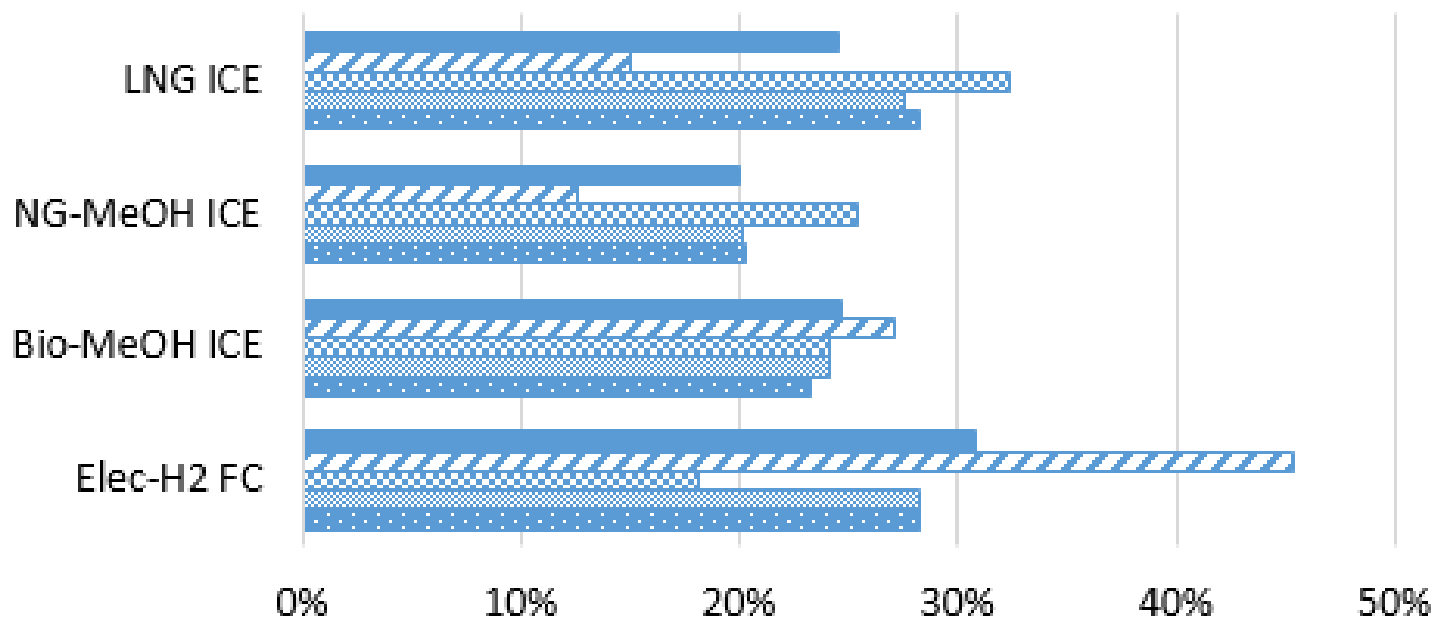
# Extra material

Participants



## Comparison of ranking order

■ Original   ■ Authority   ■ Shipowner   ■ Fuel manuf.   ■ Engine manuf.



Participants



# Intensities for scoring and weighting

Intensity of importance	Definition	Explanation
1	Equal importance	Two elements contribute equally to the objective
3	Moderate importance	Experience or judgement slightly favour one element over another
5	Strong importance	Experience or judgement strongly favour one element over another
7	Very strong importance	One element is favoured very strongly over another
9	Extreme importance	The evidence favouring one element over another is of the highest possible order of affirmation
2, 4, 6, and 8 can be used when the difference is less pronounced than the above explanations		

Saaty's table: The fundamental Scale for Pairwise Comparisons (Saaty, 2008)



# A complete and correct pairwise comparison matrix

	(Economic)	(Technical)	(Environmental)	(Social)
Economic	<input type="radio"/> 1	<input type="radio"/> 5	3	4
Technical	1/5	1	1/3	1/2
Environmental	<input type="radio"/> 1/3	3	1	2
Social	1/4	2	1/2	1

Note: The method includes a consistency check to make sure the scores are consistent. Being consistent means that if **Economic** is strongly favoured over (Technical), and slightly favoured over (Environmental), it follows that **Environmental** must be slightly favoured over (Technical).





# Economic impacts

Table 4.1: Impact matrix for included economic criteria

<i>Alternatives</i>	<i>Investment cost</i> <i>[kEuro<sup>*</sup>/Ship]</i>	<i>Operational cost</i> <i>[Euro<sup>*</sup>/MWh]</i>	<i>Fuel price</i> <i>[Euro<sup>*</sup>/GJ]</i>
LNG ICE	124 800 <sup>a</sup>	3.90-4.40 <sup>b</sup>	8 <sup>d</sup>
NG-MeOH ICE	117 500 <sup>a</sup>	3.25-3.50 <sup>b</sup>	17 <sup>e</sup>
Bio-MeOH ICE	117 500 <sup>a</sup>	3.25-3.50 <sup>b</sup>	28 <sup>f</sup>
Elec-H <sub>2</sub> FC	206 200 <sup>a</sup>	<i>Slightly higher<sup>c</sup></i>	52 <sup>g</sup>



# Technical impacts

Table 4.2: Impact matrix for included technical criteria

<i>Alternatives</i>	<i>Available infrastructure</i>	<i>Reliable supply of fuel</i>
LNG ICE	+ <sup>a</sup>	— — — <sup>b</sup>
NG-MeOH ICE	— <sup>c</sup>	— — — <sup>d</sup>
Bio-MeOH ICE	— — <sup>e</sup>	— <sup>f</sup>
Elec-H <sub>2</sub> FC	— — — <sup>g</sup>	+ + <sup>h</sup>



# Environmental impacts

Table 4.3: Impact matrix for included environmental criteria

<i>Alternatives</i>	<i>Acidification potential</i> <i>[mole <math>H^+</math> eq/t km]</i>	<i>GWP<sub>100</sub></i> <i>[g <math>CO_2</math> eq/t km]</i>	<i>DALY</i> <i>[yr/t km]</i>
LNG ICE	0.05 <sup>a</sup>	0.9 <sup>a</sup>	$4.2 \times 10^{-9b}$
NG-MeOH ICE	0.10 <sup>a</sup>	1.1 <sup>a</sup>	$10.4 \times 10^{-9b}$
Bio-MeOH ICE	0.15 <sup>a</sup>	0.2 <sup>a</sup>	$13.3 \times 10^{-9b}$
Elec-H <sub>2</sub> FC	0 <sup>c</sup>	0 <sup>c</sup>	0 <sup>c</sup>



# Social impacts

Table 4.4: Impact matrix for included social criteria

<i>Alternatives</i>	<i>Safety</i>	<i>Upcoming legislation</i>
LNG ICE	+ <sup>a,b</sup>	- <sup>f</sup>
NG-MeOH ICE	+ + <sup>a,c</sup>	- - <sup>f</sup>
Bio-MeOH ICE	+ + <sup>a,c</sup>	+ + <sup>f</sup>
Elec-H <sub>2</sub> FC	- <sup>d,f</sup>	+ + + <sup>g</sup>



# Referensgrupp knyts till projektet

- Följande aktörer har hittills visat intresse för att delta:
  - Stena Line
  - Laurin Maritime,
  - Sjöfartsverket,
  - Västra Götalandsregionen,
  - Preem,
  - Trafikverket,
  - Energimyndigheten
  - Miljöanalys Fordon och bränslen
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