

CONCEPT | Closing event “Green SKHy” 11.12.2026 in Luxembourg

The Green SKHy project

Through transnational cooperation between networks of businesses, universities and training organisations, Green SKHy (2024–2026) aims to promote access to hydrogen-related professions by focusing on skills recognition, technical facilities and both academic and vocational training. Funded by INTERREG NWE, the consortium of 17 partners from 6 countries (Germany, Belgium, France, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Switzerland) is led by Afpa Grand Est, and involves over 80 associated organisations (businesses, local authorities, public employment services). A capitalisation initiative is planned for the period 2027–June 2028.

Practical information

Nr of participants: approx. 200 participants from public authorities, enterprises, project partners, associated organisations, ...

Venue: Technopolis, 12 Rue Guillaume J. Kroll, 1882 Cessange (Luxembourg)

Date: Friday, 11th of December 2026

Languages: English (with translation into French and German)

Concept : 3-in-1 event

- **Closing conference** on the project’s achievements, bringing together 200 to 250 participants (businesses, institutions, partners, etc.)
- **Hydrogen Village** featuring trade demonstrations and mobile technical platforms, including the pilot solution
- **Raising-awareness activities and information sessions** for students, high-school students and teachers.

CLOSING CONFERENCE

Moderator: Dirk DAENEN, Luxembourg Ministry for National Education, Children and Youth

Provisional agenda

9.30 am: Opening address

Representative from the European Commission and/or the INTERREG North-West Europe programme

9.40: Welcome to the Luxembourg Hydrogen Valley!

Riccardo SCALIA, project manager of the Luxembourg Hydrogen Valley, Isaac MANDELBROT-YOMBO, Hydrogen Projects & Partnership Senior Developer ([Luxembourg](#))

10.00: Grande Region Hydrogen: a cross-border cooperation to ramp-up hydrogen

Anamaria ZIANVENI, project manager CEO at Encevo ([Luxembourg](#))

10.15: Transnational cooperation to support the development of hydrogen skills (Roundtable 1)

Introduction & moderation: Pit LOSCH, Head of Hydrogen and International Renewable Energies Cooperation at the Ministry for Economy ([Luxembourg](#))

- Cédric BRÜLL, Managing Director of Cluster TWEED & coordinator of the Belgian Hydrogen Council ([Belgium](#))
- Pierre PRADY, Deputy CEO of the French National Agency for Vocational training of Adults ([France](#))
- Christelle WERQUIN, CEO of France Hydrogène ([France](#))
- Petroeshka WERTHER, Director of Sustainable Mobility at the Dutch Ministry of Infrastructure and Water Management ([Netherlands](#)) – *to be confirmed*
- Elena YORGOVA-RAMANAUKAS, State secretary and CIO at the Ministry of Economy, Innovation, Digital Affairs and Energy of Saarland ([Germany](#))

11.00: Green SKHy, a concrete contribution to skills development in the H2 sector

Clément MAURY, Green SKHy project coordinator

11.15: Develop hydrogen training facilities to implement transnational practical training programmes (3 case studies)

Introduction & moderation: Prof. Dr. Robert STEINBERGER-WILCKENS, Planet GbR (Germany)

- HRS : Laurent DEFLANDRE, Hydrogen expert at Afpa Grand Est (France)
- HFCT: Merle HEYKEN, Project Manager at Deutsche Windguard (Germany), & Dr. Birgit THOBEN, funder of Future.Solutions (Switzerland)
- H2 mobility: Cendrine MARCHAL, Project manager at Technifutur (Belgium)

12:00: Business lunch & Hydrogen Village

13.30: Masterclass “Developing the hydrogen sector through skills” by Mikaa BLUGEON-MERED, independent researcher specialized in the geopolitics and international markets of hydrogen

14.30: Developing and implementing hands-on hydrogen training courses for professionals and students (Roundtable 2)

- Marc CANELLAS, Sales Director at Stadler (Switzerland) – to be confirmed
- Prof. Dr. Daniel HISSEL, Vice-President of the University Marie & Louis Pasteur (France)
- Saskia LAVOO, Managing Director of ACE Mobility (Netherlands)
- Erik ZINDEL, VP Hydrogen & Decarbonization Strategy at Siemens Energy (Germany)

15.30: Capitalising on the initiative: what’s coming next?

Clément MAURY, Green SKHy project coordinator, & Paul McCORMACK (Ireland)

15.45: Closing address by Claude MEISCH, Minister for National Education, Children and Youth (Luxembourg)

Alongside the event, the project’s partners and associated organisations will be offering guided tours of our H2 mobile training labs, trade demonstrations, as well as hydrogen discovery activities for schoolchildren and NGOs. For any questions, contact clement.maury@afpa.fr