

Copenhagen

STRING Megaregion: A leading region in the green transition

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WHAT IS STRING?

STRING is a Megaregion spanning across
4 countries
7 cities and
9 regions with approximately **14,5** million inhabitants

OECD Strategic Partnership

STRING and the OECD have joined forces to develop a strategic paper that provides the roadmap for building the STRING geography into a global powerhouse for innovation, and the development & export of green industrial technologies.

The result? 23 concrete recommendations to achieve this vision.



"It has become clear that the STRING area has the ability to become, a leading European Megaregion"

Ulrik Vestergaard Knudsen
Deputy Secretary general of the OECD



"We have to get over the idea that this is a competition and focus on cooperation."

Sophie Hæstorp Andersen
Mayor of Copenhagen



"We need to work together in order to achieve this vision. It would be competitive advantage"

Martin Lundstedt
CEO Volvo Group



The core focus areas of STRING



Green Energy

- Foster production, uptake and offtake agreements of green energy
- Attracting investment in green energy and cleantech
- Hydrogen Backbone
- Hydrogen Ecosystem Interreg Project



Green Infrastructure

- The Fehmarn Belt Fixed Link
- GREATER4H Hydrogen Corridor
- Connecting key industry actors with policymakers
- Fixed Links across Öresund
- Oslo-Gothenburg Railway



Green Growth

- Driving green public procurement practices
- Attracting investment in green energy and cleantech
- Joint research projects
- Connecting key industry actors with policymakers
- Collaborative Forum for Green Clusters & Innovation Ecosystems

Interreg



Co-funded by the European Union

Öresund-Kattegat-Skagerrak



STRING has an ambitious vision to position the region as a leading hub for renewable energy connected by green infrastructure. Through transregional collaboration, we are harnessing our collective strengths to drive significant advancements in green technology and sustainability across Northern Europe.

Thomas Becker
Managing Director
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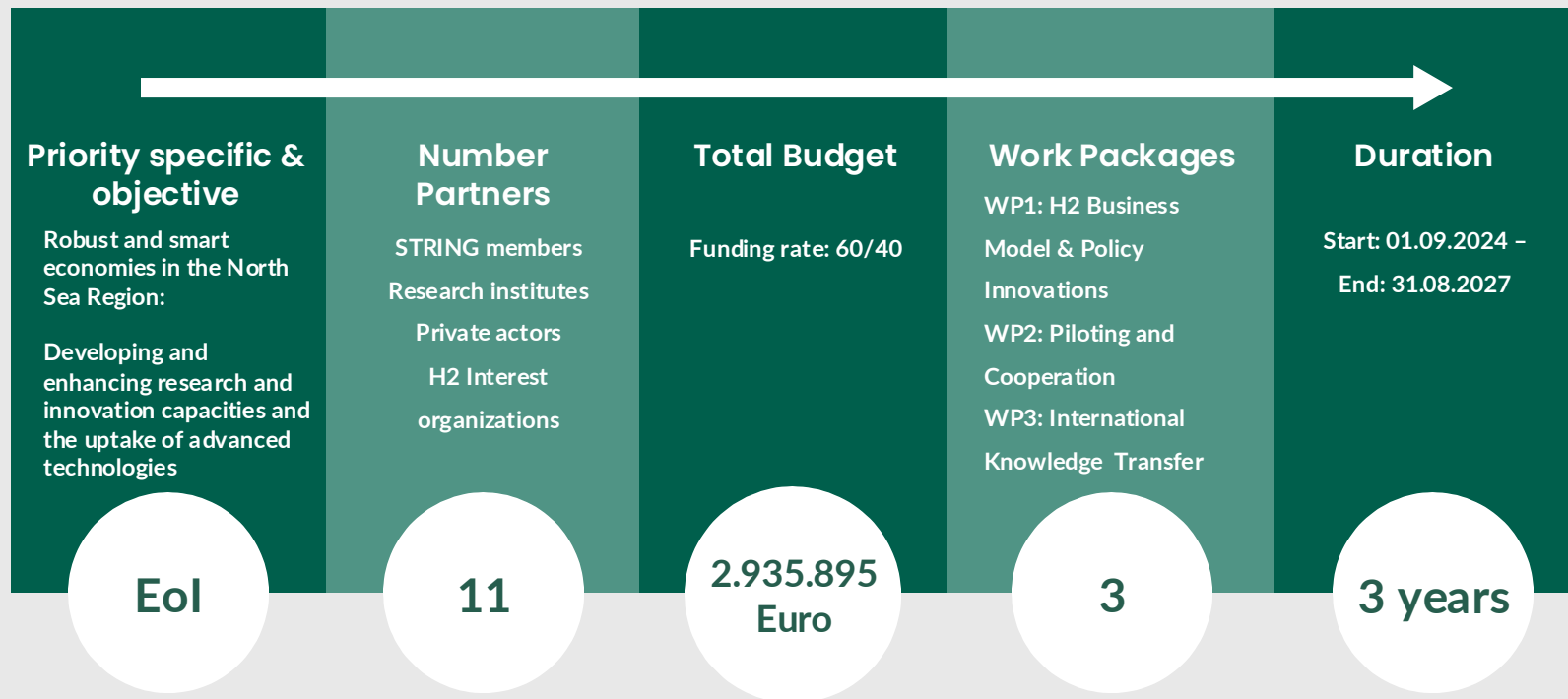
GREATER4H



- Filling in the “white spots” of hydrogen refuelling stations along the TEN-T ScanMed corridor
- Investment into physical infrastructure
- 12 (+ 2) stations (max 200 km apart)
- open 24/7 700 and 350 bar
- Estimated budget 42 mill. Euro whereas 12,4 mill. (30%) euro co financed by EU
- 3 year project
- Official project start October 1, 2022
- Coordinator: SH
- 10 STRING members as partners
- Private partners

Interreg North Sea – H2ignite

Igniting H2 Transport Innovation Ecosystems in the North Sea Region



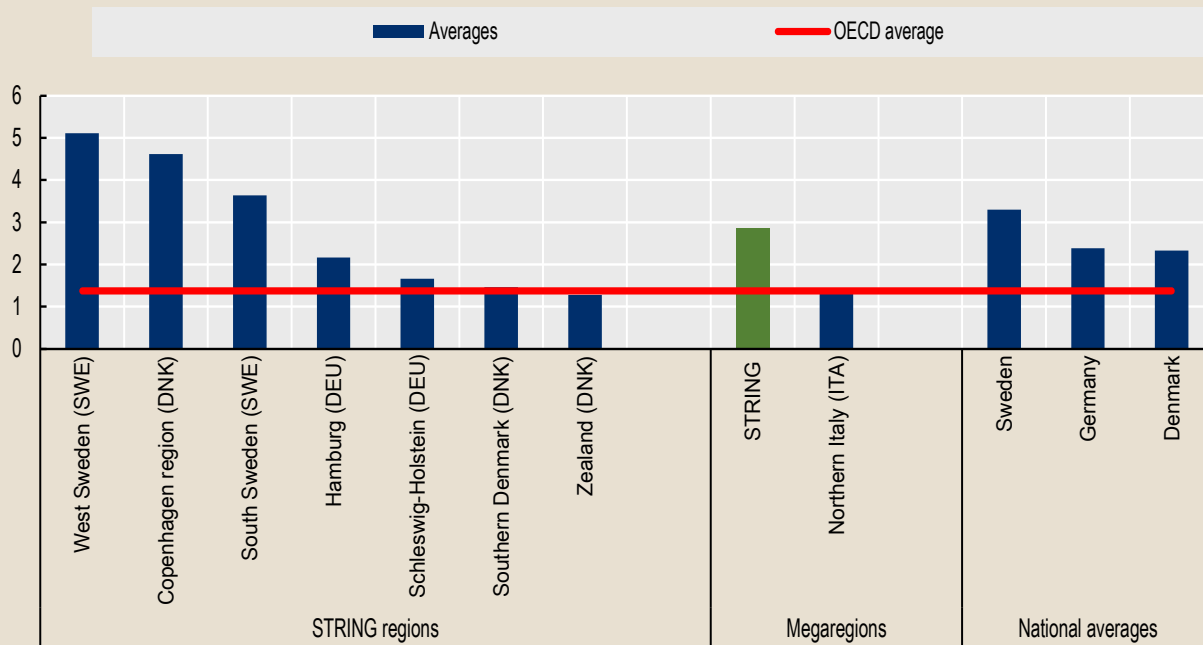
Project partners

1. Land Schleswig-Holstein
2. Region Zeeland
3. University of Copenhagen
4. DFDS A/S
5. Kiel Institut für Weltwirtschaft
6. Europa-Universität Flensburg
7. Hafen Hamburg Marketing
8. Pôlénergie
9. Provincie Drenthe
10. Lindholmen Science Park AB
11. Volvo Technology Corp

STRING at a Glance

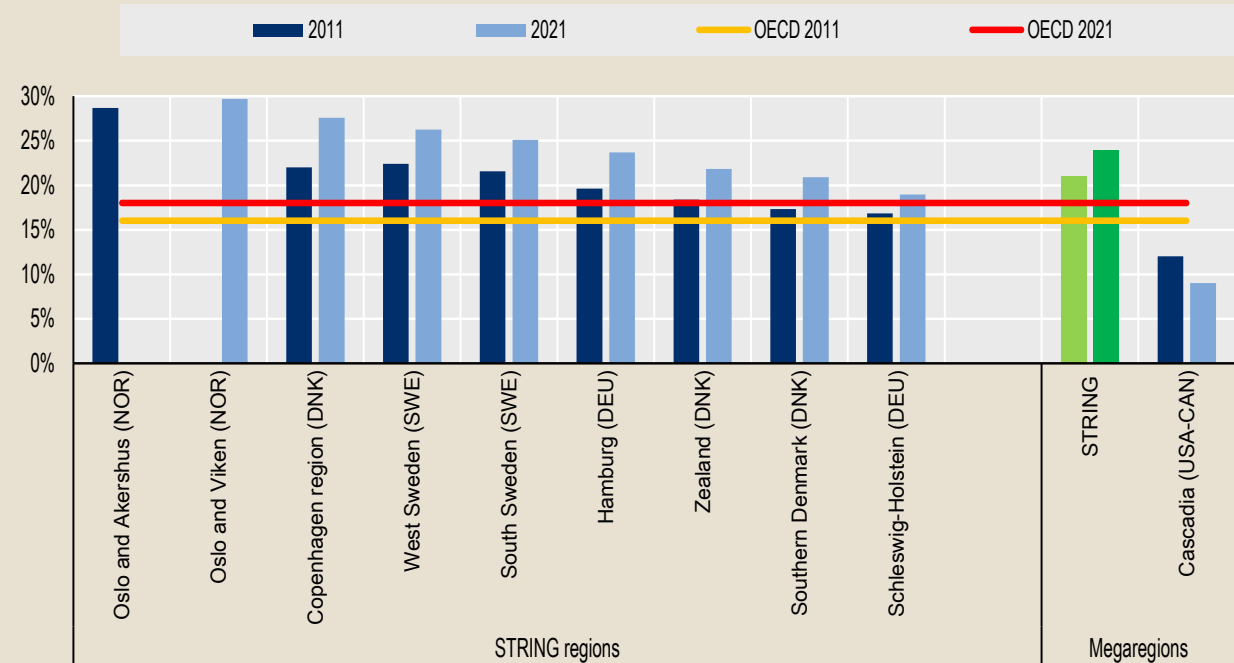
The Megaregion's Journey Towards a Green Resilient Economy

Share of R&D total expenditure (in %GDP) in 2019.



Note: No data available for Norway.
Source: OECD Regional Database

Share of electricity generated from low-carbon sources (renewables or nuclear), 2019.



Source: OECD (2023[12]), A Territorial Approach to Climate Action and Resilience, OECD Publishing.



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