



**VERSO ENERGY awarded funding under the Connecting Europe Facility (CEF) Energy program for the CarlHYng Project of Common Interest (PCI), aiming to deploy up to 300 MW of electrolysis capacity in Carling (Moselle, France)**



**Paris, February 9, 2026 – CarlHYng project is among the 14 Projects of Common Interest (PCI) or Projects of Mutual Interest (PMI) selected by the European Commission under the latest CEF Energy call. This support will be dedicated to the final studies required for the implementation of Phase 1 of the project (70 MW), which will supply renewable hydrogen to German steelmaker SHS (Dillingen) via the MosaHYc network.**

Located in the municipality of Carling (Moselle, France), the CarlHYng project plans for a gradual scale-up of the installed electrolysis capacity, with the secured implementation site able to accommodate up to 300 MW. The first phase of the project, with a capacity of 70 MW, is scheduled to be commissioned by end of 2029. It will enable the production of up to 10 kilotons of hydrogen per year, including 6 kilotonnes of renewable hydrogen (RFNBO), which will be supplied under a long-term agreement signed in July 2025 to the German steelmaker Stahl-Holding-Saar (SHS). These volumes will be transported to the Dillingen site through the cross-border mosaHYc pipeline network operated by NaTran and Creos, which runs across the CarlHYng project site.

In April 2024, the CarlHYng project was granted Project of Common Interest status, recognizing its key role in strengthening Franco-German cross-border energy cooperation and, more broadly, in enhancing the integration and flexibility of the European energy market. In this context, the grant from CEF Energy amounting to 4.2 million euros, after careful assessment of the project development plan by the European Climate, Infrastructure and Environment Executive Agency (CINEA), will support the costs of the final technical studies required for the execution of Phase 1 of the project.

*“We are honored that the CarlHYng project has been selected for funding under the CEF Energy program. This achievement, following the selection of the two e-SAF projects DEZiR and ReStart under the Innovation Fund’s ‘large-scale’ call for projects in November 2025, once again demonstrates the maturity of the projects developed by Verso Energy and their alignment with decarbonization and European integration objectives. After signing a hydrogen purchase agreement for 6 kilotons of RFNBO hydrogen per year over 10 years with SHS in July 2025, this selection marks another important step forward for the CarlHYng project. Verso Energy’s teams remain fully committed to advancing the project and delivering on this major contract*



*for the decarbonization of the Franco-German cross-border region,”* said Antoine Huard, Chief Executive Officer and co-founder of Verso Energy.

**About Verso Energy :**

As an integrated energy company and pioneer, Verso Energy is accelerating the decarbonization of hard-to-abate sectors such as industry, aviation, and maritime transport by producing next-generation low-carbon molecules. With 2 GW of renewable energy projects underway and flagship initiatives like CarlHYng — Europe’s first green steel project — Verso Energy is driving breakthrough innovation. The company is also spearheading the development of eight e-fuel production plants across France, Finland, and the United States, reinforcing its position as one of Europe’s leading forces in synthetic fuels. By combining scale, technology, and vision, Verso Energy is committed to powering a carbon-free future

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