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# **URUGUAY Update**

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# Announcements / New Initiatives *Uruguay*



## Investments/Funding/Policies/Initiatives

A cooperation project was signed with EUROCLIMA for €2,000,000 to develop initiatives related to 1) Capacity Building, 2) Regulatory Framework Adaptation, 3) Infrastructure and Logistics, 4) Socio-economic Impacts, and 5) Citizen Dialogue.

## New Research & Development, Demonstration and/or Deployment Activities

A pilot green-hydrogen plant will be built in Durazno (Uruguay) for academic purposes and electromobility applications.

Inauguration of Vivestar Technologies H2 Hub. The project includes three components:

- H2 Assembly Facility: Integration and assembly of hydrogen technologies.
- H2 Lab: Research, testing, and validation of hydrogen solutions.
- H2 Academy: Training center connecting academia, industry, and government to build local expertise.

# Examples of Lessons Learned and Impact *Uruguay*



Program initiative, policy, regulation or mandate	Lessons Learned/Outcomes
Agreement for the sale of biogenic CO <sub>2</sub> from the state-owned hydrocarbons company to a private project, establishing basic terms of transfer, volume, and responsibilities.	Identification of opportunities for future similar agreements and the importance of interinstitutional coordination and public-private communication to enable implementation.
The Energy Sector Fund allocated USD 10.000.000 for the development of a hydrogen pilot project.	It led to the design of projects that were not program beneficiaries, with one of them currently under construction.
Uruguay Green Hydrogen and Derivatives Strategy	The strategy enabled the identification of key opportunities, challenges, and focus areas for the development of Uruguay's green hydrogen value chain and the attraction of new projects

## Status of Deployments

- Establishment of an inter institutional working group
- Formation of a Uruguayan Hydrogen Association composed of private sector actors
- Green Hydrogen and Derivatives Strategy
- Pilot project currently under construction
- Various hydrogen projects at different stages of development

## Leading Government Initiatives

- Development of technical studies
- Updating of the regulatory framework
- Leading a Strategic Environmental Assessment
- Citizen dialogue
- Information dissemination

## Deployment Goals

- Implementation of a Strategic Environmental Assessment for the sector
- Consolidation of projects with triple impact: environmental, social, and economic
- Development of a pilot project promoted by the State and two public companies (one in the electricity sector and the other in hydrocarbons)

## Goals or Focus Areas

- 1) Capacity Building
- 2) Regulatory Framework Adaptation
- 3) Infrastructure and Logistics
- 4) Socioeconomic Impacts
- 5) Citizen Dialogue
- 6) Environmental Considerations

## Funding

US\$ 10.000.000 Pilot project  
€ 2.000.000 EUROCLIMA cooperation project  
US\$ 500.000 Energy Sector Fund

# Thank you



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