



## **IPHE Country Update Jun 2025 – Nov 2025:**

### **Uruguay**

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#### **1. New Initiatives, Programs, and Policies on Hydrogen and Fuel Cells**

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) Socioeconomic Impacts, and
- 5) Citizen Dialogue.

#### **2. Hydrogen and Fuel Cell R&D Update**

Inauguration of Vivestar Technologies H2 Hub. The project includes 3 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.

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

#### **3. Demonstration, Deployments, and Workforce Developments Update**

Pilot of six hydrogen-powered freight trucks for the forestry industry under construction, expected to be operational in the second half of 2026.

#### **4. Events and Solicitations**

The 11th LATAM Renewables Congress, organized by the Uruguayan Renewable Energy Association (AUDER), brought together key stakeholders from the public, private, and social sectors of the energy industry. The event featured two main panels focused on various aspects of green hydrogen, held in the main hall, along with several side events.



## **5. Investments: Government and Collaborative Hydrogen and Fuel Cell Funding**

Work is underway on the development of a pilot project promoted by the State and two public companies (one in the electricity sector and the other in hydrocarbons) for which the government has allocated US\$ 10.000.000.

The Energy Sector Fund is a government mechanism to support research, development, and innovation projects that enhance or strengthen the capabilities of the national energy sector, including green hydrogen. It has a budget of USD 500,000, which supports several beneficiary projects related to green hydrogen and its derivatives.

## **6. Regulations, Codes & Standards, and Safety Update**

Continuing with the [“Analysis of Regulatory Needs for the Development of Green Hydrogen and Derivatives Projects”](#), a workshop was held with the various relevant institutions to advance the process of updating the regulatory framework. During the session, improvement proposals were collected, and a work plan will be developed to move forward with the priority regulatory changes.