Covess nv Information Memorandum July 2022





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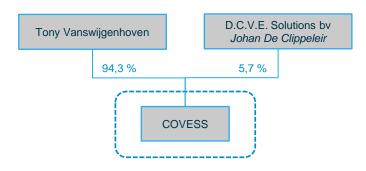
1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY (1/2)



Company Profile

- Founded in 2001, Covess is a highly innovative company with a broad portfolio of patents related to thermoplastic tank technology.
- Today the Company produces a range of low-pressure tanks in different sizes.
- Since the start of its activities Covess has been developing a unique manufacturing process for a new type of high pressure monolithic composite recyclable vessels (referred to as 'Type 5') with very promising results for a.o. hydrogen purposes.
- These innovative tanks outperform traditional tanks ('Type 1 to 4') and are suitable for water, air, CNG/RNG and especially Hydrogen Gas (H2) purposes. They will mainly supply the mobile transportation and onboard storage market (cars, buses & trucks).
- Covess has always secured funding autonomously and is now ready for an external long-term partner.

Shareholder Structure



Next to the 2 shareholders, the Group currently employs 9 people.

Investor Ask Key Metrics

We are looking for an investment
up to 5,000k EUR
for a
minority stake

Projected Revenues* (€ mio)					
2022	2022 2023 2024 2025 2026				
1.7	1.2	6.8	27.0	54.3	
Projected EBITDA** (€ mio)					
2022 2023 2024 2025 2026					
-0.2	-1.3	0.1	4.7	11.3	

^{*} Start of production Type-5 tanks expected from 2024 onwards. Revenues in 2022 anticipate received funding of Air Liquide.

Investment Rationale

- During the past years, the Company invested intensively in the development of a unique hot-winding production process for its innovative 'Type 5' high pressure tank.
- A prototype production line has been developed. Now Covess wishes to accelerate its growth by investing in a first industrial production line and additional people to scale up capacity. The related **Internal Funding Need** amounts up to **5,000k EUR**.
- The Company is looking for a long-term minority equity partner to support this exciting growth process.





^{**} Revenue model based on combination of production of Type-5 tanks & licensing Covess technology

1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY (2/2)



Market Considerations



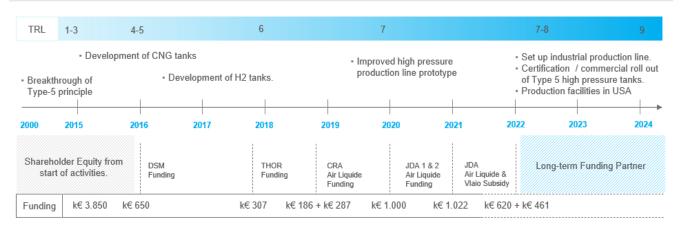
- As transportation Original Equipment Manufacturers (OEMs) face increased pressure to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and improve fuel efficiency of their vehicles, much effort is done in the area of alternative energy sources.
- Renewable gas (CNG/RNG) as alternative fuel source is already standard practice, availability and the vehicle fleet is growing fast. Additionally, Fuel Cell (H2) vehicles and refueling stations is expected to grow exponentially in the coming decade*.
- + 8.1% CAGR

2020-2025

- The market is actively looking for safe, lightweight and compact solutions to store sufficient alternative fuel onboard a vehicle which allows the same driving range than conventional ones.
- Traditional tanks (mainly Type 3 & Type 4) have important shortcomings in terms of performance, safety, weight and ecological footprint.

* Deloitte & Ballard

Development Road Map Covess High Pressure Type 5 tanks



Selection of target prospects showing interest

























Covess' Unique Selling Proposition

- ➤ Covess states that it is the only company (worldwide) able to manufacture economically a monolithic thermoplastic high-pressure vessel which overcomes the shortcomings of the currently commercially available vessels (mainly Type 3 & Type 4).
- Covess Type 5 tanks are lightweight, fully recyclable, more economical, safer, more eco-friendly and have a shorter takt time.
- ▶ With the additional funding Covess aims to scale-up its commercial activities and leverage its developed technology to become a market leader in composite vessels.





^{**} Support Letter in place



2.1 HISTORICAL OVERVIEW









2.2 LEGAL INFORMATION



COVESS NV

Legal Profile

- Covess NV was incorporated in 2001.
- Capital per December 31, 2020 amounts to € 1.560.712 and is represented by 596.675 equal shares, without nominal value.

Contact Information

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- ▶ Website: <u>www.covess.com</u> / <u>www.sesametanks.com</u>

Shareholders

- Mr. Tony Vanswijgenhoven owns 562.665 shares (94,3%).
- ▶ D.C.V.E. Solutions by (management company of Mr. Johan De Clippeleir CTO of Covess) owns 34.010 shares (5,7%).

Board of Directors

- Mr. Tony Vanswijgenhoven has been mandated as Managing Director.
- D.C.V.E. Solutions by, represented by Mr. Johan De Clippeleir, has been mandated as Director.







3.1 THE COMPANY - ORGANISATIONAL STRUCTURE & MANAGEMENT



Current Shareholders



Tony Vanswijgenhoven

Founder and CEO/CFO

- ► Bachelor's degree in accounting.
- Started his career in the company of his father which was a trailer repair and renovation workshop. Here the idea was born to develop an innovative product line.
- ► Founded ETES (European Transport Equipment Systems) in 1989 and developed a new innovative sliding roof principle for trailers based on thermoplastic composite parts. It took 3 years to develop the technology and 7 years to become number 2 in Europe. The company was sold in 1999, 10 years after its conception as leader in the market of sliding trailer roofs.
- ➤ Tony saw a lot of interesting developments for thermoplastic tanks and decided to found Covess.
- ➤ As CEO, he's responsible for the main strategic orientations of the company and both administrative and financial activities leveraging his accounting background. He also carries out business development activities.



Johan De Clippeleir

CTO, Innovation Director & Board Member

- ▶ Master of science in chemical engineering with a major in polymer chemistry.
- ➤ Started his career at Shell Chemicals in 1989 as a rheological expert involved in thermoplastic and thermoset polymer families.
- Developed a profound expertise on polymers (characterization, stabilization and processes) and composites in durable applications at Shell and subsequent affiliated companies. His last position held until end 2011 was innovation manager at LyondellBasell.
- ➤ Co-inventor on 7 patent applications. He wrote various research disclosures and is also the co-author of the two joint patents filed with the collaboration of Air Liquide.
- ▶ In 2012, Johan became part of Covess and minority shareholder. He performed in parallel with COVESS activities various other technical consultancy and part-time activities.
- ➤ Today Johan is also active for Sibelco as responsible for a team of engineers (pilot plant and polymer & coating lab) developing new applications for minerals used as a filler in polymers and composites.

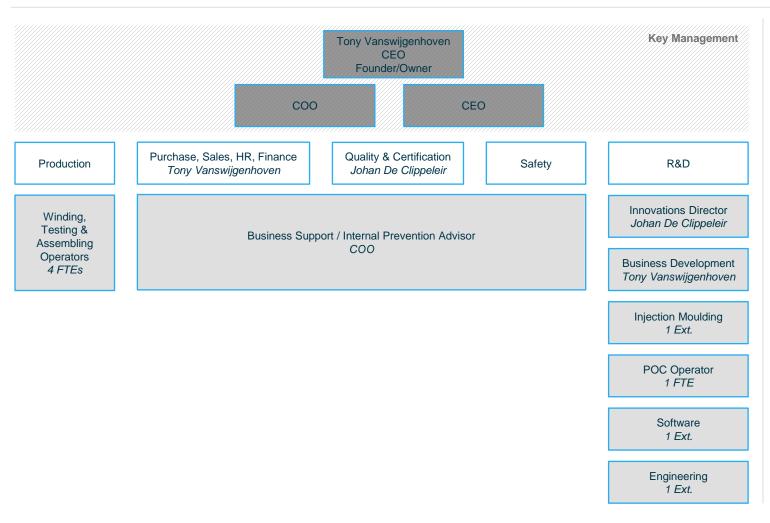




3.1 THE COMPANY - ORGANISATIONAL STRUCTURE & MANAGEMENT



Organisational Structure



Overview Key Personnel:

- ► CEO: During 2022 an external CEO was recruited who will lead the Company together with Tony Vanswijgenhoven (with a focus on business development). Extensive experience in leading SME companies and developing franchise networks.
- ➤ COO: Several experiences in sales, regulatory affairs and administrative management. Devises efficient procurement and sourcing strategies. Responsible for partnerships establishment and negotiations with suppliers (internal employee).
- R&D Consultant (Injection Moulding): 40 years of experience in injection moulding, welding of composites and composite development (self-employed)
- ► POC Operator: Ca. 15 years of experience in the Company. Has a great knowledge of Covess' technology and processes and is regularly in charge of the training of new employees (internal employee).
- ➤ Engineer: Senior Mechanical Engineer with over 20 years of experience in designing and building electro-mechanical equipment. Co-inventor of 5 patents in the field of mechanical and optical design (self employed).
- Draftsman: Supports the responsible for engineering regarding to technical drawing/design of new industrial equipment (internal employee).
- R&D Engineer (Software): Engineering degree from Ecole Polytechnique and a master in Civil Engineering from Mines ParisTech. Joined Covess in 2019 after 4y as R&D Engineer at Air Liquide where he managed the development of composite tanks for hydrogen storage (self employed).





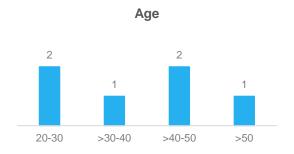
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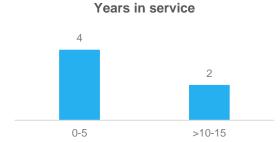


Personnel Profile

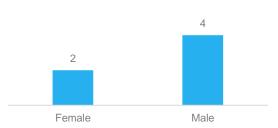
- ➤ **Age**: there is a good balance between younger and experienced workers. The average age of the personnel amounts to 40 years.
- **Hourly wage (€/h)**: the average hourly wage amounts to 13.9 €/h. Note that only blue-collars are presented in the adjacent graph.
- ➤ Years in service: the majority of the personnel is active for less than 3 years at Covess. Two persons are employed for the Company for more than 10 years. This is a direct effect of the recent need to scale the operations.
- ► **Gender**: there are 2 female workers and 4 male workers active within the Company.

Note: shareholders and self-employed workers are not included in the presented graphs.









Gender







Overview

- Today Covess already commercializes Low-Pressure tanks for a broad range of applications.
- Going forward, the Company will predominately focus on the development of High-Pressure Tanks given the significant market potential.
- We refer to the following pages for more detailed information on the specifications and applications of the product.

Covess
Thermoplastic
Tanks
Type 5











Overview

Covess designs, develops and produces pressure vessels for all kinds of applications in thermoplastic composite materials, using a self-developed patented winding technique. The combination of this innovative production technique and the thermoplastic composite material used, has resulted in a unique product (Type 5), offering a maximum of possibilities at a highly competitive price.

Low-pressure

Potential

- 5-10 bar and 60-450 liters.
- Cold water expansion pressure vessel with a unique bladder technology under the brand name 'Sesame' (1 license in place).
- Cold water retention/storage vessel for all kind of applications e.g., fire extinguisher installations and building and marine applications.
- Hot water pressure vessel to be integrated in hot water boilers (1 license active in US and 1 upcoming in EU).
- Liner-less pressure vessels.
- Since 2017, a production line for Type 5 low-pressure commercial applications is in place.

High-pressure



- 200-700 bar and 200-600 liters.
- Very promising R&D results for applications of RNG, CNG and H² tanks.
- Focus will be primarily on H² tanks but can be extended into other application areas.
- Prototype production line in place.

- Covess is the only company in the world to provide high-pressure
 Type 5 thermoplastic tanks.
- Many interested prospects.
- Enormous potential.
- Liner-less pressure vessels.
- Covess will be certified end 2023 for industrial production of high-pressure vessels (launch production is expected in 2024).





Comparison Tank Types

Type n°	Type 1	Type 2	Type 3	Type 4	Type 5
Specifications	Fully steel tanks	Metal tank with carbon fiber wrapped in the hoop part	Metal tank completely composite- overwrapped	Complete composite tank wrapped with a thermoset reinforcement	Complete composite monolithic with full recyclable tank structure
Weight/kg/L	1,5	1	0,5	0,35	0,3
Cost/L (%)	1%	1,5%	3%	3%	2,7%

	Weight	Capacity	Cost/L	Recyclability	Fatigue Resistance	Safety (explosion- proof)	Vacuum resistance
Type 1			+++	+++	++	-	+++
Type 2	-	-	++	+	+	-	++
Type 3	+	+	-	-	+	-	-
Type 4	++	++	-		+	-	
COVESS' Type 5	+++	+++	+	+++	+++	+++	+++





Main Benefits Type 5 Tank

The main benefits of the Type 5 Tank versus its peers are weight, capacity, cost, safety and full recyclability.

Weight	 Up to 25% lighter than Type 4 tanks. Enormous potential of savings for the transportation and energy industry (freight, logistics, etc.). 	Fuel tank systems increase the tare weight of transportation vehicles and hereby reduce the cargo weight it can carry. Replacing Type 3 systems with liner-less Type 5 systems reduces the fuel system weight significantly and increases the potential cargo weight.
Capacity	 Traditionally, Type 3 and Type 4 tanks incorporate a full-fibre reinforcement that holds most of the pressure. The liner made of plastic or metal, is still necessary as a permeation barrier, to prevent the gas from escaping. 	The liner adds weight and reduces storage capacity as it takes up internal volume. Type 5 tanks have a monolithic structure which increases their capacity.
Cost	 Production costs of Type 5 tanks are lower than Type 3 and 4 tanks but still higher than Type 1 or 2 tanks. 	 However, the higher production price is very well compensated with the reduction in weight since this triggers significant cost reductions.
Full Recyclability	 The monolithic tank structure can be fully recycled thanks to the unique winding process and used materials. 	 Recyclability is a very important topic in all legislations, and it is therefore crucial to meet these requirements.
Safety	Type 5 tanks are explosion proof and therefore extremely safe.	 Type 5 tanks leak before burst and are therefore very well suited for CNG/RNG/H² applications.



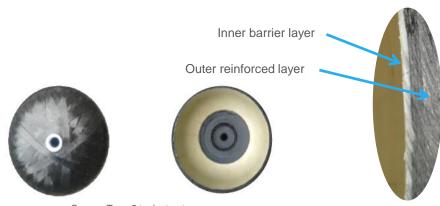


Covess' Innovative Manufacturing Process

- ➤ Type 5 tanks are manufactured through a highly efficient hot-winding production process which bounds two layers in one monolithic composite structure.
- ➤ The process allows to manufacture 100% monolithic structures meaning the thermoplastic polymer is similar over the whole wall thickness (in contrast to Type 4 tanks).
- ➤ The Type 5 gas container differs from the current Type 4 CNG/NGR gas containers by (i) higher internal volume capacity, (ii) full recyclability, (iii) explosion-proof even in case of fire, (iv) better fatigue resistance and (v) less or no permeability.

Current / Traditional Manufacturing Process

- ➤ Traditional composite tanks struggle with suboptimal characteristics. The process involves coating the carbon fibers with a liquid epoxy resin and applying it immediately to the liner, where the epoxy reacts and cures.
- ➤ This **wet winding** process leads to inconsistencies in the structure (density is not constant everywhere). This leads to a variation in the tank burst pressure of up to 15%.
- ▶ In order to solve this more material is added to compensate, which increases cost and weight. Additionally, the manufacturing process is also slow.



Covess Type 5 tank structure

Covess' Manufacturing Process

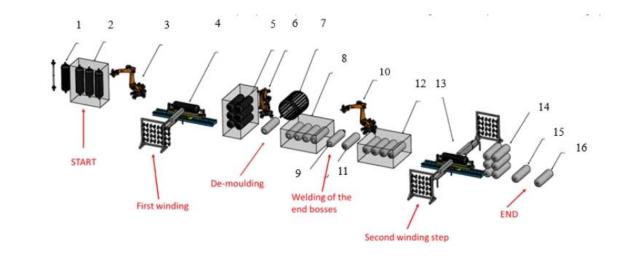
- Covess' innovative hot winding process consists in winding a thermoplastic polymer tape. This tape is heated up, causing the tape to melt. After solidification, a very efficient barrier is formed.
- ➤ Subsequently, the layers with carbon fiber and a thermoplastic matrix are wound using the same process.
- ➤ The tank produced this way then becomes vacuum resistant. The gas barrier becomes homogenous over the entire wall and unlike Type 4 tanks, no gas entrapment is made possible between the different layers.
- ▶ In contrast to Type 4 vessels, the use of a thermoplastic composite structure no longer requires an additional curing process which saves time.







Envisioned Industrial Manufacturing Line (High-Pressure Type 5 Tanks)



- 1. Mandrel assembly station
- Preheat oven
- 3. Pick and place robot
- 4. 1st winding station
- 5. Conditioned room to cool down
- 6. Pick and place robot
- 7. Mandrel removal
- 8. Buffer in conditioned area (humidity)

- 9. Boss welding station
- 10. Pick and place robot
- 11. Boss weld test station in isolated bunker
- 12. Preheat oven to prepare tanks for 2nd winding operation
- 13. 2nd winding operation
- 14. Cool down of the completed tank. Tanks need to rotate under low over pressure during this process
- 15. QC testing station, drying and sealing of the tank
- 16. Dispatch of the finished tank

- Currently Covess has developed a prototype production line for high-pressure tanks.
- ► The Company will invest in an industrial production line in order to scale its operations.
- Growth capital will be used to develop the production line.



Overview

3.2 THE COMPANY - ACTIVITIES & SERVICES



Intellectual Property Management & Portfolio

Covess' strategy for knowledge management and protection is based on two pillars:

- ▶ Patent filing: since its foundation, all steps of its manufacturing process were patented at an international level to provide Covess' technology with the necessary protection.
- ▶ Industrial secrecy: I) through the legal framework and organizational processes of the Company by using labour law for employees and managers, contract and commercial law for providers and suppliers (for example all customer discussions starts with the signature of a secrecy agreement) and II) through organizational processes: by fragmenting and compartmentalizing knowledge among managers, employees, providers and suppliers. This strategy protects know-how on rearing processes by isolating each step.

- ➤ Covess' patent portfolio is well developed and has already been assessed by several industrial partners over the years.
- ➤ A technological and competitive search is performed on a regular basis in order to detect any violation of Covess' IP. In case of noted violation, the Company will use any legal instrument to enforce its IP.
- ► In the adjacent table a brief overview of the registered patents of Covess is presented. A full detail overview is available upon request.
- Note that the brand names 'Covess' and 'Sesame' are registered trademarks since 2006 and 2012, respectively.

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Title	Geographical Application	Publication Date	Inventor
Winding concept	Worldwide	November 24 th , 2011	Covess
Watercooling concept	Worldwide	December 4 th , 2012	Covess
Manufacture method for pressure-resistant gas and/or liquid proof containers	Worldwide	January 17 th , 2013	Covess
Bladder system for expansion vessel	Worldwide	Filing date: May 17 th , 2012	Covess
BOSS technology (high-pressure applications)	Worldwide	Filing date: November 20th, 2015	Covess
Multilayer composite vessel	Worldwide	Filing date: June 5 th , 2019	Covess & Air Liquide
Composite Tape	Worldwide	Filing date: June 5 th , 2019	Covess & Air Liquide
Method for producing a leak-tight vessel	Worldwide	Filing Date: April 28th, 2020	Covess







Production Facility - Impressions



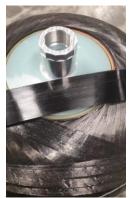


















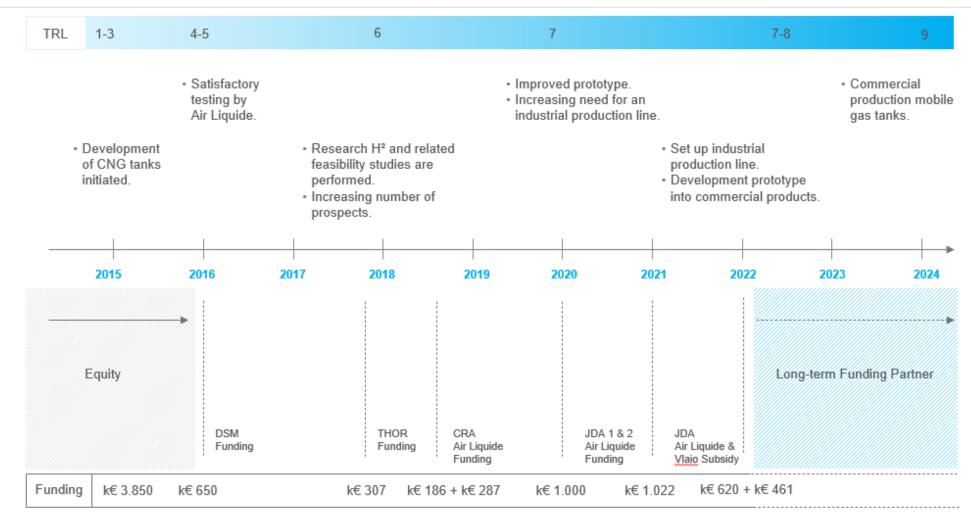




3.3 THE COMPANY – DEVELOPMENT ROADMAP



Development Timeline - High Pressure Tanks





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Development Timeline – High Pressure Tanks

TRL	Period	Technical Achievements	Business Achievements
1-3	2015	 Development of CNG tanks initiated. 	Market potential identified.
4-5	2016	Most critical tests have been performed.	 Tank weight already competitive compared to state-of-the-art type 4 tank.
6	2016	 Full feasibility for producing prototype tanks for the CNG market achieved. Air Liquide performs a whole series of tests on prototypes of Covess to understand the potential of the technology. 	 Air Liquide selects the Covess type 5 technology as the most promising gas technology for all gas storage applications.
0	2017-2019	 Research redirected towards H² on demand of the market. Feasibility achieved regarding burst pressure levels (1.600 bar). Initiation of project THOR (February 2019). 	 Industrial line requested in order to be able to produce more reliably. Number of interested potential customers and licensees are increasing (25 potential customers identified at Advanced Clean Transportation (ACT) tradeshow in Los Angeles, 2019).
7	2020	 Significant progress in identifying and qualifying suppliers for the UD tape. Learnings captured from previous years are feeding the development of an improved prototype design both for larger and smaller tanks. 	Industrial lines are becoming a must-have. Customers for larger tanks of more than 200 liter are requesting one tank design for both 200 and 350 bar working pressure for applications of CNG & Hydrogen storage respectively.
7-8	2021 – 2023	 Implementation of the industrial production line. Development of prototypes into commercial products. 	Further conversion of prospects into customers.
9	2023 - 2024	 Start-up production of mobile gas tanks. 	 Commercial launch of CNG storage tanks (200 bars). Moving forward the commercialization of hydrogen storage tanks as of 2024.

TRL: Technology Readiness Level





3.3 THE COMPANY – DEVELOPMENT ROADMAP



Development Timeline – Funding

Funding Provider	Contract	Amount
Vlaio Subsidy	H ² THOR4Gas	460.941 €
Air Liquide	JDA Amendment	620.000€
Air Liquide	JDA 01/2021	1.021.800 €
Air Liquide	JDA 01/2020	1.000.000€
Air Liquide	/	287.297€
Air Liquide	CRA 04/2018	185.500€
THOR (EU)	2018	307.341 €
Koninklijke DSM nv	RDA 12/2015	650.000€
Total Equity Invested Shareholders*	/	3.850.000€
Total amount invested		8.382.879€

JDA: Joint Development Agreement CRA: Collaborative Research Agreement

RDA: Research Development Agreement

- ➤ Since 2018-2019, a European project is in place for research towards hydrogen (Thermoplastic Hydrogen tanks Optimized and Recyclable THOR). This project is in cooperation with Faurecia, Air Liquide and CETIM.
- ▶ Both THOR & DSM development agreements have been terminated.
- Air Liquide, is a French multinational company which supplies industrial gases and services to various industries including medical, chemical and electronic manufacturers.
- In 2014, the first talks between Covess and Air Liquide took place about the potential of the Covess developed production process for gas applications. At the time, the 60-liter CNG vessel was under development which has been thoroughly researched and tested by R&D within Air Liquide. It proved to have a lot of potential for H2 and other gasses.
- ▶ In 2016, Air Liquide selected Covess' type 5 technology as the most promising gas technology for all gas storage applications.
- ► CRA 2018: manufacture of a 20L vessel at 700 bar working pressure.
 - ➤ The tests performed reinforced the interest of Air Liquide for the technology of Covess for hydrogen energy supply chain.
- ▶ **JDA 2020**: co-developing a prototype of thermoplastic type 5 pressure vessel with a target size between 200 and 300L, without a liner (barrier) and at 700 bar working pressure.
 - ➢ All milestones were achieved, and Air Liquide agreed upon the next development phase.
- ▶ **JDA 2021**: development of a type 5 tank of 335L at 350 bar and at 700 bar and a 60L tank at 700 bar for H² applications.
 - Currently in development.
- ► Air Liquide is currently the most active funding partner.



Overview Funding



^{*} Note that the management has worked without remuneration for more than 20 years in order to develop the technology of Covess. The actual amount of time and cash invested in the Company is therefore significantly higher than the presented amount of equity invested.

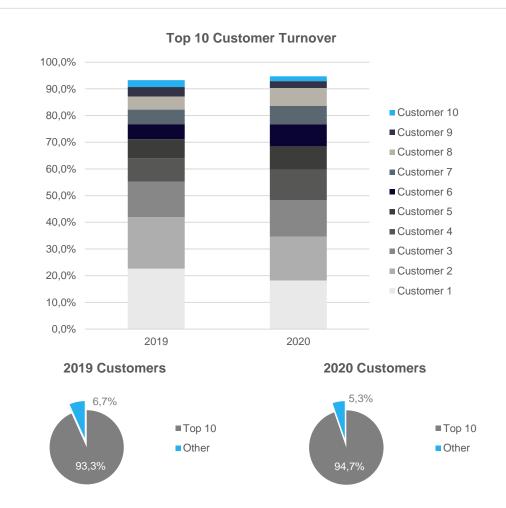


3.4 THE COMPANY – CUSTOMERS



Historical top 10 customers

- ➤ The current customer portfolio is focused on low-pressure tank applications and mainly consists of:
 - > suppliers of cold and hot water tanks;
 - water treatment companies;
 - enterprises active in water heaters;
 - > specialists in cold and heat storage; and
 - pump system providers.
- ► The top 10 customers represents 93,3% and 94,7% of the turnover for respectively 2019 and 2020.
- ➤ Sesame tanks are the main revenue driver in 2020 with 69%.
- In 2020, 8 of the top 10 customers were also in the top 10 customers of 2019 which indicates a high recurrence and customer loyalty towards Covess' innovative products.
- ▶ In total, 1.624 tanks (Sesame, Cold water storage tanks & Hot water storage tanks) were supplied to Covess' customers in 2020. 350L, 450L and 230L are the best sold tanks (28,5%, 21,9% and 21,2% respectively).





3.4 THE COMPANY – CUSTOMERS



Targeted Customers High-Pressure Tanks

Client Categories

► Tier 1 Automotive Equipment Suppliers

- Most important members of the supply chain, supplying components directly to the original equipment manufacturer (OEM) which wish to create a fleet of trucks using natural gas-powered propulsion.
- ➤ Tier 1 suppliers are interested in Covess licenses to be able to manufacture type 5 tanks by their own means.
- E.g., BRC Gas Equipment, Cylinders Holding, Magna International, Faurecia, Valeo, etc.

Retrofit/installation Companies

- ▷ E.g., Drive Systems, AGS AutoGas Systemen, Gasnam, etc.

► Gas Producers and Distributors (including Hydrogen)

- Covess can provide them monolithic type 5 tanks, which have all the strengths of existing systems without their weaknesses.
- E.g., Air Liquide, Linde AG, etc.

Selection of prospects showing interest

























- ► ABC Technologies

 - ▶ Interested in license to manufacture type 5 tanks for Hyundai and Kia (hydrogen cars & CNG for trucks and buses).
- Hyundai & Nikola Motor Company
- Ballard
 - □ Canadian listed company active in fuel cell systems.
 - Interested in hydrogen applications.
- ► DAF, VDL & Solaris
- Faurecia
 - Global leader in automotive technology
- Rama Cylinders
- Faber Cylinders
 - ▶ Leading company in the design, manufacturing, testing and marketing of high-pressure gas cylinders and systems for e.g., CNG & hydrogen.
- ➤ Air Liquide
 - ▶ French multinational, specialized in industrial gases, i.e., gases for industry, health, environment and research.
- Total
 - > French multinational active in oil and gas.
 - Interested in hydrogen applications.





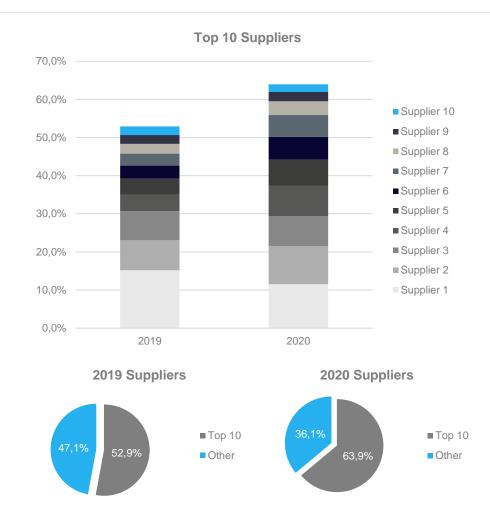


3.5 THE COMPANY – SUPPLIERS



Top 10 suppliers

- ➤ The top 10 suppliers of Covess consist of:
 - - Injection moulding
 - Lasercutting and welding
 - Automation and machine building
 - Packaging company
 - Patent agency
 - Supplier of thermoplastic UD tapes
- ▶ 6 out of 10 suppliers in 2020 were also in the top 10 suppliers of 2019 which indicates the excellent and long-term relationships of Covess with its suppliers.
- ► There is no dependency on a specific supplier and there are several alternatives for each type of supplier.
- ► For high-pressure tanks it is essential to have a broad base of suppliers in order to overcome supplier dependency. A wrong choice of supplier can lead to delays in orders or a quality of the delivered product that does not meet Covess' expectations.
- ➤ Over the last 4 years, several new tape suppliers such as Sabic, Arkema and DSM, have become available and are ready to participate in Covess' internationalization.







3.6 THE MARKET



Market Opportunity & Need

The transportation market is actively looking for innovative technology for reducing greenhouse gas emissions:

- As transportation Original Equipment Manufacturers (OEMs) face increased pressure to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and increase fuel efficiency of their vehicles, much effort is done in the area of alternative energy sources.
- One of the most promising and concrete solution for both private vehicles and freight is Hydrogen (H2) and Compressed Natural & Renewable Gas (CNG/RNG). This natural gas is a resource that is very widely available in the world and significantly less polluting than petrol and diesel. Therefore, it could make a valuable contribution to reach energy transition objectives.

CHALLENGE:

- ➤ Safe, lightweight and compact solutions to store sufficient fuel onboard a vehicle must be developed to enable the same driving range than conventional ones.
- ➤ Traditional tanks (mainly Type 3 & Type 4) have important shortcomings in terms of performance, safety, weight and ecological footprint.

SOLUTION:

- ➤ The most relevant solution lies in the use of innovative high-pressure thermoplastic storage tanks (Type 5).
- ➤ Type 5 tanks are fully recyclable and have a minimal environmental impact which supports the increasingly important trend toward a circular economy and decreases the carbon footprint of the transportation sector.

Thermoplastic composite tanks are a first-choice solution for mobile storage of H2 and CNG/RNG:

- ► In a context where environmental concerns are constantly growing and transportation related CO2 emissions requirements are becoming increasingly stringent, demand increases for innovative storage solutions for alternative energy sources.
- ➤ Since weight reduction is a priority to increase fuel efficiency and performance, the use of composite materials allows higher payload levels and stand as the best alternative to decrease both weight and fuel consumption. Having lighter tanks on trucks improves operational efficiency and reduces expenses. It also allows better acceleration and easier operation, shorter braking distance, and most importantly, it creates opportunities for increased profit margins for fleet managers.



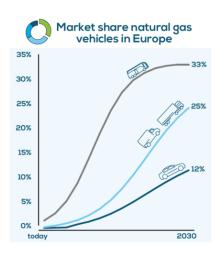


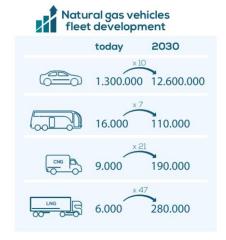
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CNG / RNG Market Europe

- ► Climate change and air quality are among the greatest challenges in the current society. The transport sector has to go through a deep transformation in the next decades.
- Natural gas and especially renewable gas represent a concrete answer to these challenges: it helps to accelerate the circular economy model, where sustainable biomass is recycled and transformed into clean transportation fuel.





► Climate change can be mitigated through the decarbonization of the transport sector. This process needs to be assessed by considering the Well-to-Wheel (WTW) greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions, a combination of the fuel production and distribution (WTT), as well as the emissions generated during the fuel combustion on the vehicles (TTW). Under this perspective, renewable gas is a strong accelerator to carbon neutral mobility.



- ▶ By switching 13.2 million conventional to natural gas vehicles, WTW GHG emissions will be reduced from 96 metric tons down to 52 metric tons given 30% renewable gas in the EU mix. When using 80% renewable gas, carbon neutrality can be realized.
- Natural gas, together with increasing amounts of renewable gas, is a fundamental player in a low-carbon future: clean combustion, low carbon dioxide (CO2) emissions, technology maturity, availability and competitive fuel cost are key factors to boost its role.
- ► Through Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) and Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG), a complete range of applications can be supported, from small city cars up to long-haulage trucks, as well as in the maritime sector.

Source: NGVA Europe



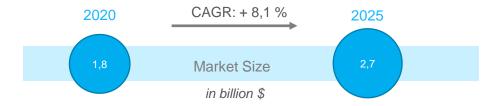
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CNG / RNG Market – Geographic Trends

- ► Global CNG market is characterized by government subsidies and environmental regulations which differ according to geographical area:
 - Asia Pacific (APAC) emerged as the leading consumer for CNG in 2018. Emerging Asian countries such as China, India, Malaysia and Indonesia are expected to show higher growth rates thanks to the increase in NGVs demand and rise in middle-class disposable incomes. In addition, CNG has a developed market in the form of South Korea and Japan. Majority of the public transportation fleet is being converted to CNG fuel systems supported by government regulations.
 - **Europe** is the second largest CNG market.
 - ▶ **Central & South America** is expected to witness the highest growth rate over the coming years. South American countries such as Brazil and Argentina had high NGVs demand over the past few years thanks to an increase in demand of the taxicab segment and is expected to show steady growth rates over the next six years.

Global CNG / RNG / Hydrogen Market – Size



Source: Research and Markets





3.6 THE MARKET



Hydrogen Market Europe

▶ The transition towards a gas-based economy will foster the development of the hydrogen industry given its similarities. The EU has made the following roadmap for the hydrogen industry within Europe.

Hydrogen Roadmap Europe	Roadmap I	Plan by 2030		
Hydrogen production & distribution		1/3 ultra-low carbon hydrogen production in industrial applications, including refineries and ammonia production	00000 0000to	at-scale conversion of "surplus" renewables into hydrogen large-scale demonstrations of power generation from hydrogen renewable-hydrogen generation plants
Hydrogen Infrastructure	n d	~3,700 hydrogen refuelii	ng station by 2030	
Support for passenger vehicles		a fleet of 3.7 million fue	l cell passenger vehic	les
Support for commercial vehicles		500,000 fuel cell light commercial vehicles on road	45,00 cell tri	ucks diesel trains

Source: Deloitte / Ballard: Fueling the Future of Mobility





projected to be on the road

3.6 THE MARKET



Market observations by the management of the Company

Management observes the market evolutions for CNG, RNG, H2 and electric vehicles as follows:

- Europe
 - Small passenger cars will be battery electric vehicles (BEV).
 - Medium to large cars is expected to be 50% BEV and 50% fuel cell electric vehicle (FCEV − H²).
- USA
 - > Small passenger cars will be battery electric vehicles (BEV).
 - Medium to large cars is expected to be 50% BEV and 50% fuel cell electric vehicle (FCEV − H²).
 - Buses and trucks will be temporarily powered by CNG/RNG but will be eventually replaced by H². CNG will have a longer transition period in USA because of the local production of CNG (by means of fracking).
- Asia
 - ▶ Envision a fully H² driven society (with Japan and Korea as the driving forces for this market).
 - → Asia actively invests in H² technology and facilities.
- Middle-East
 - Primarily CNG.
- ▶ An additional important driver for H² lies in the potential to locally produce unlimited amounts of H² which will lead to political independence in the long term.





3.6 THE MARKET



Competitors & Unique Selling Proposition

Competitors

▶ The following is a non-exhaustive list of the main tank suppliers:

Player Name	Headquarters	Turnover (M€)	Target Markets	Tank types
HEXAGON COMPOSITES	NORWAY	3416	Aerospace, aviation, defense, bulk gas transport and vehicular transportation	Type 3 & Type 4
LUXFER	UK	480	Mobile pipeline, bulk gas transport, CNG automotive	Types 1, 2, 3, 4
WORTHINGTON	USA	3,3	Industries, vehicular transportation, aerospace; marine	Types 1, 2, 3, 4
CYLINDERS HOLDING CZECH REPUBLIC 2,5		Stationnary gas storage, vehicular transportation	Type 1	
FABER INDUSTRIES	ITALY	12,2	Hydrogen applications, transport, vehicular transportation	Types 1, 2, 3, 4
INFINITE COMPOSITE TECHNOLOGIES	USA	3	Aerospace, oil and gas extraction, marine composites	Type 5 (thermoset liner)
COMPOSITE TECHNOLOGIES DEVELOPMENT	USA	5-10 Aerospace, Hydrogen for Automotive		Type 5 (thermoset liner)
COVESS	COVESS BELGIUM 2,2 Bulk gas transport and vehicular transportation		Type 5 (thermoplastic)	

Unique Selling Proposition

- Covess states that it is the only company (worldwide) to provide thermoplastic type 5 tanks. The Company will introduce those first liner-less thermoplastic high-pressure vessels for CNG applications. Consequently, Covess will be the first company able to manufacture a high-pressure vessel which overcomes the shortcomings of the currently commercially available type 4 vessels (recyclable, more economically, safer due to non-propagation of cracks, faster filling, no liner monolithic structure, no curing problems in production, less footprint, etc).
- ▶ With additional funding Covess will be able to finalize its technological scale-up and subsequently arise as a market leader in composite vessels.
- Additionally, Covess' only technological competitors (i.e competitors on type 5 technology) are not using thermoplastic technology but thermosets to manufacture their storage tanks.
- ➤ These tanks require a high safety factor to achieve sufficient gas barrier performances (up to 10 times the working pressure) that is why they are not as economical as Covess' tanks.
- ▶ In addition to providing less competitive products, these mentioned competitors are mainly focusing on aerospace and are therefore not direct competitors of Covess.







3.7 SWOT ANALYSIS



SWOT Analysis

		Innovative composite tank technology for a wide array of applications and		
		sectors.	•	Highly-skilled and educated personnel with significant experience.
	-	Proven track-record in low and high-pressure composite vessels and extensive knowledge in this field of expertise.	•	Privileged contacts with a lot of multinational prospects which see a lot of potential in the developed products.
Strengths	>	Strong intellectual property base with a broad portfolio of patents on production processes and related products.	>	Covess has always secured funding autonomously over the past 20 years and is now ready for an external long-term partner.
		20 years of experience in the field of composite vessels.		The Company is the only company in the world to provide high-pressure thermoplastic type 5 tanks.
	•	High entry barriers for competitors given intellectual property base and developed expertise.		
	>	Current capital base is insufficient to scale the operations and to accelerate the roll out of the high-pressure type 5 tanks.	>	Current production facilities are not ideal for industrialized production.

Weaknesses

▶ Limited customer awareness of the Covess' technology.





3.7 SWOT ANALYSIS



SWOT Analysis

Opportunities	•	High-pressure type 5 tanks have a significant potential for on-board storage solutions for trucks, buses and mobile pipeline storage market. Potential interested categories: ☐ Tier 1 automotive equipment suppliers ☐ Retrofit/installation companies ☐ Gas producers and distributors Given that a lot of governments will focus on H² in the future, the potential and need for transport and energy storage applications will increase significantly.	A A	A licensing model will enable Covess to accelerate its market entry and to increase the market awareness for these products / technologies. Accelerate the sales strategy of low-pressure type 5 tanks for cold and hot water applications. Production costs will significantly lower by means of an industrialized production line which will increase the margins of the products.
	 	Regulation / compliance in the automotive market.	•	Raw materials supply when upscaling production.

Threats

New technology will have to be adapted by the market (steel tanks still represent 90%). However, the superior product characteristics should overcome this threat.

commercial application.

Covess has a very clear idea of the legal and regulatory constraints

which are not considered as a serious obstacle that could hamper the

- Recruitment plan will be required to scale the operations.



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Financial Information

4.1 Historical

4.2 Budget



Income Statement

EUR '000	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
	Н	Н	Н	Н	Н
Turnover	310	549	1 165	1 732	2 088
Other operating income	28	3	11	23	78
Total revenue	338	552	1 176	1 755	2 166
Growth %			113%	49%	23%
Raw materials and consumables	-219	-224	-399	-429	-734
Total COGS	-219	-224	-399	-429	-734
Gross margin	119	328	777	1 326	1 432
GM %	35%	59%	66%	76%	66%
Services and other goods	-196	-176	-308	-363	-530
Remuneration, Soc. Sec. & pension costs	-114	-154	-171	-186	-234
Other operating charges	-1	-1	-21	-1	-1
Total OPEX	-311	-331	-500	-549	-766
EBITDA	-192	-3	277	776	666
EBITDA %	-57%	0%	24%	44%	31%

Turnover

Turnover consists in 2021 of:

- Sesame Tanks
- · Received funding
- Other

Other consists of pilot projects, license fees, etc.

Services & Other Goods

2021 services & other goods charges contain:

- Engineering assistance (k€ 139 / 26,3%)
- Rent Building (k€ 79 / 14,9%)
- Legal, accounting and other fees (k€ 65 / 12,3%)
- Fees patent agency (k€ 56 / 10,6%)
- Transport & leasing (k€ 46 / 8,7%)
- Other (k€ 144 / 27,2%)

Other includes insurances, repair & maintenance, electricity, publicity, etc.







Income Statement (Cont'd)

EUR '000	2017 H	2018 H	2019 H	2020 H	2021 H
Depreciation	-195	-152	-156	-153	-144
Amortisation	-0	-	-	-	-
Provision	-	-	-	-	-
EBIT	-388	-155	121	624	522
EBIT %	-115%	-28%	10%	36%	24%
Financial income	3	0	3	1	0
Financial charges	-39	-18	-15	-13	-18
Financial result	-36	-18	-13	-12	-18
Extraordinary income	150	-	-	-	-
Extraordinary charges	-	-21	-	-150	-
Extraordinary result	150	-21	-	-150	-
EBT	-274	-194	108	462	504
Income taxes	-	-0	-0	-	-0
EAT	-274	-194	108	462	503
Distribution of profit	-	-	-	-	-
Profit carried forward	-274	-194	108	462	503

Depreciation

In 2021 depreciation charges consist of:

- Equipment & Installations (k€ 132)
- Other (k€ 12)

Financial charges

Primarily consists of interests on the outstanding loans.





Balance Sheet - Assets

EUR '000	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
	Н	Н	Н	Н	Н
Intangible assets	189	105	25	-	_
Tangible assets	185	176	134	267	682
Financial assets	-	-	-	-	16
Total fixed assets	373	282	159	267	698
Stocks & contracts in progress	53	40	60	44	109
Trade debtors	15	15	27	154	418
Other amounts receivable	0	308	337	258	352
Investments	-	-	-	_	-
Cash at bank & in hand	1	11	42	34	14
Deferred charges & accrued income	150	150	-	_	-
Total current assets	219	524	466	490	894
Total assets	592	806	626	758	1 592

Tangible Assets

In 2020, this represents:

- Terrains & buildings (k€ 36)
- Equipment & Installations (k€ 637)
- Other assets (k€ 9)

Stocks & contracts in progress

Concerns the stock of raw materials.

Other Amounts Receivable

Consists in 2021 of:

- Current account JDC (k€ 18)
- Current account TVS (k€ 265)
- Recoverable VAT (k€ 69)







Balance Sheet - Liabilities

EUR '000	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
	Н	Н	Н	Н	Н
	1.560	4.564	4.564	1.560	1.560
Capital	1 562	1 561	1 561	1 562	1 562
Reserves	-1 519	-1 405	-1 276	-1 122	-466
Capital & reserves	43	156	284	439	1 096
Provisions & postponed taxes	-	-	-	-	-
Financial debts	120	120	45	-	115
Other debts	-	-	-	-	-
Debts payable > & year	120	120	45	-	115
Current portion of debts > 1 year	180	180	167	163	111
Financial debts	0	0	-	-	-
Trade debts	204	170	64	84	198
Taxes, remuneration & soc. Sec. Debts	10	15	56	12	41
Other amounts payable	35	164	-	30	30
Accrued charges & deferred income	-	-	10	30	_
Debts payable < 1 year	430	530	296	319	381
Total equity & liabilities	592	806	626	758	1 592

Capital & Reserves

The movement in reserves can be explained by result appropriation.

Financial debts

Consists in 2021 of (LT / ST):

- Loan received by LRM (k€ 52 / k€ 26)
- Investment loan H² production machines (k€ 48 / k€ 35)
- Rent guarantee of k€ 16 (LT)
- Straight loan of k€ 50 (ST)

Contains a current account with Covess Production nv.







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Financial Information

4.1 Historical

4.2 Budget



Budget – Income Statement

EUR '000	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
	В	В	В	В	В
Turnover	879	1 090	6 818	27 098	54 375
Other operating income	804	93	-	-	-
Total revenue	1 683	1 183	6 818	27 098	54 375
Growth %		-30%	476%	297%	101%
Raw materials and consumables	-633	-759	-3 339	-14 022	-28 092
Total COGS	-633	-759	-3 339	-14 022	-28 092
Gross margin	1 051	424	3 478	13 075	26 282
GM %	62%	36%	51%	48%	48%
Services and other goods	-300	-473	-1 364	-5 420	-10 875
Remuneration, Soc. Sec. & pension costs	-995	-1 265	-2 020	-2 946	-4 111
Other operating charges	-	-	-	-	-
Total OPEX	-1 295	-1 739	-3 383	-8 365	-14 986
EBITDA	-244	-1 315	95	4 710	11 296
EBITDA %	-15%	-111%	1%	17%	21%





Budget – Income Statement (Cont'd)

EUR '000	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
	В	В	В	В	В
Depreciation	-157	-422	-691	-962	-1 676
Amortisation	-	-	-	-	-
Provision	-	-	-	-	-
EBIT	-401	-1 737	-596	3 748	9 620
EBIT %	-0	-147%	-9%	14%	18%
Financial income	-	-	-	-	-
Financial charges	-3	-23	-47	-57	-59
Financial result	-3	-23	-47	-57	-59
Extraordinary income	-	-	-	-	-
Extraordinary charges	-	-	-	-	-
Extraordinary result	-	-	-	-	-
EBT	-404	-1 760	-642	3 691	9 561
Income taxes	-	-	-	-13	-341
EAT	-404	-1 760	-642	3 678	9 220
Distribution of profit	-	-	-	-	-
Profit carried forward	-404	-1 760	-642	3 678	9 220





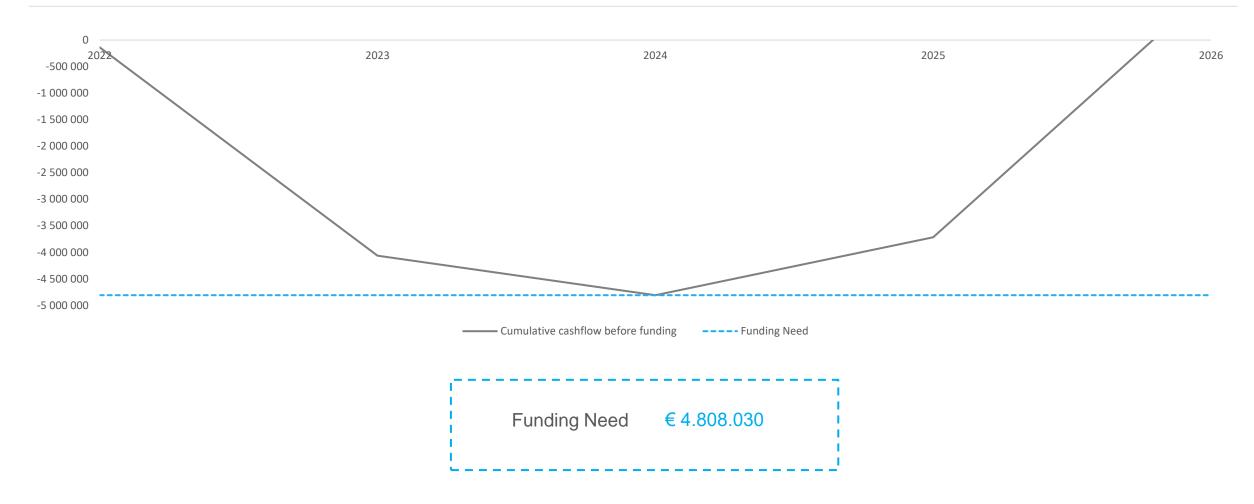
Budget – Cash Flow Statement

EUR '000	2022 B	2023 B	2024 B	2025 B	2026 B
Operational cashflow	-244 336	-1 314 779	94 880	4 709 884	11 295 984
Income taxes	0	0	0	-12 193	-340 761
Change in stocks Change in receivables Change in deferred charges & accrued income	57 412 356 196 0	-10 399 -31 472 0	-212 074 -854 441 0	-878 048 -2 742 302 0	-1 156 448 -4 069 128 0
Correction provisions/amortisations Change in trade debts Change in taxes, remuneration & soc. sec. debts Change in other amounts payable Change in accrued charges & deferred income	0 -105 750 22 913 0 0	0 29 812 17 454 0	0 345 156 48 665 0	0 1 465 811 60 510 -30 000 0	0 1 941 853 96 360 0
Cashflow from change in net working capital	330 771	5 394	-672 694	-2 124 028	-3 187 363
Cashflow from capital expenditures	-122 332	-2 534 565	-148 022	-2 562 824	-4 979 107
Reimbursement of existing loans Withdrawal of new loans Reimbursement of new loans	-111 199 0 0	-61 199 0 0	-38 359 74 011 -7 401	0 1 281 412 -142 943	0 2 489 553 -520 040
Change in ST Financial debts	0	0	0	0	0
Other movements in equity Distribution of profit Impact of normalisations	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0
Financial income Financial charges Cashflow from financing	0 -3 376 -114 575	0 -22 566 -83 765	-46 569 -18 318	0 -57 482 1 080 987	0 -58 970 1 910 543
Cashflow from extraordinary results	0	0	0	0	0
Total cashflow	<u>-150 473</u>	<u>-3 927 715</u>	<u>-744 154</u>	1 091 826	4 699 298
Cumulative cashflow before funding	-136 162	-4 063 876	-4 808 030	-3 716 205	983 093





Funding Need







Revenue Model High-Pressure Type 5 Tanks

Production

- Production and sales directly performed by Covess or joint ventures.
 - ▶ leverage its leadership in the manufacture of monolithic tank structures and increase its expertise in the manufacture of pressure tanks made of thermoplastic composites.
- ➤ Covess' business model will revolve around two forms of revenues:

 - II) the provision of licenses to various automotive OEMs and/or first tier suppliers.
- ➤ The Company has a portfolio of patents enabling it to occupy a strong position in relation to its competitors. The activity of controlling their patents will become increasingly important.

License

- License the technology in order to accelerate the market entry with limited resources (capital and personnel).
 - OEM or Tier 1 suppliers can duplicate the production process to their own scale of production.
 - Broader market entry.
- The licensing model is particularly interesting since the duplication of an industrial manufacturing line is not complex and licensees in other European countries and continents will enable Covess to generate cash without additional investments.



Revenue Model



Market Estimation

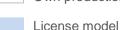
Total amount of H2 vehicles

Total alliquitt of 112 verificies											
	Today	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031
Trucks & Buses EU	249	82	175	351	703	1.406	2.812	5.625	11.250	22.500	45.000
Trucks & Buses USA	62	115	235	470	938	1.875	3.750	7.500	15.000	30.000	60.000
Air Liquide EU	0	0	0	5	25	50	80	100	140	160	180
Light Commercial Vehicles EU	0	976	1.953	3.906	7.812	15.625	31.250	62.500	125.000	250.000	500.000
Light Commercial Vehicles USA	0	1.000	2.000	4.000	8.000	20.000	40.000	60.000	150.000	300.000	600.000
Cars EU	3.668	7.226	14.453	28.906	57.812	115.625	231.250	462.500	925.000	1.850.000	3.700.000
Cars USA	8.968	10.350	20.700	41.400	82.812	165.625	331.250	662.000	1.325.000	2.650.000	5.300.000

- Amount of H2 vehicles in 2031 are based on sector rapports and market intelligence (note that a delay of one year has been taken into account based on market circumstances).
- ➤ Ramp up quantities between 2022 and 2031 are estimated by Covess' management (supported by discussion with relevant actors in the market).
- Only Air Liquide is estimated specifically for Covess (fraction of the total production). These figures represents the number of trailers which will be ordered by Air Liquide to transport H2 tanks (100 tanks per trailer can be transported).
- Sectors/opportunities colored in white will be addressed by own production versus sectors/opportunities in blue by a license model.
- Note that the budgeted period is observed until 2026 to determine the funding need of the Company.

- Note that H2 opportunities with regard to the following sectors have not been taken into account:
 - Aviation
 - Marine
 - > Train
 - Fueling stations
 - Houses
 - Electrolysers
- Note that the market for domestic heat pumps has not been taken into account (currently in negotiation for a turnover of 3,5 m€).

Own production







Covess Market Share Estimation

	Today	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
Trucks & Buses						
Market share % EU	0%	0%	0%	3%	3%	3%
Market share % US	0%	0%	0%	5%	5%	5%
Sales volumes EU	0	0	0	11	21	42
Sales volumes US	0	0	0	24	47	94
Total sales volumes	0	0	0	34	68	136
H2 transportation (Air Liquid	e)					
Sales Volumes	0	0	0	5	25	50
Light Commercial Vehicles						
Market share EU	0%	0%	0%	1%	2%	3%
Market share US	0%	0%	0%	1%	2%	3%
Sales volumes EU	0	0	0	39	156	469
Sales volumes US	0	0	0	40	160	600
Total sales volumes	0	0	0	79	316	1.069
Car						
Market share EU+US+AS	0%	0%	0%	1%	2%	3%
Sales volumes	0	0	0	703	2.812	8.438





Covess' market shares are estimated by Covess' management and supported by current leads with several prospects (Air Liquide, Nikola & Hyundai).

[➤] A market-based approach has been applied on the proposed business plan.



Revenue Build-Up

- ► Revenues included in the plan will be determined as follows:
 - > Production
 - Vehicles produced * Revenue per vehicle (=kg H2 per vehicle * selling price EUR/kg H2).
 - License model
 - A royalty of 4% on the selling price of a tank will be charged.

Example Selling Price Air Liquide

Selling price EUR/kg H2	€	600,00 2021 - 2025
	€	550,00 2026 - 2030

Per Sector/Opportunity	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
Trucks & Buses	0	0	1.905.680	3.807.440	7.612.080
Air Liquide	0	0	4.500.000	22.500.000	45.000.000
Light Comm - Gross revenue	0	0	442.736	1.770.944	5.985.000
Light Comm - Royalty revenue	0	0	17.709	70.838	239.400
Cars - Total Market - Gross revenue	0	0	2.460.710	9.843.680	29.531.250
Cars - Total Market - Royalty revenue	0	0	98.428	393.747	1.181.250
Total Gross Revenue	0	0	9.309.126	37.922.064	88.128.330
Total Revenue	0	0	6.521.818	26.772.025	54.032.730

Financial figures in €

Licensing	2%	2%	3%
Production	98%	98%	97%







Revenue Build-Up (Cont'd)

- Other revenue consists of:

 - Subsidies (Vlaio) and funding of Air Liquide.

Note that only revenue with regard to JDA Air Liquide and subsidies has been presented on other operating income (#74). Other revenue is included in the turnover accounts (#70).

Other revenue	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
Water tanks	702 899	843 479	0	0	0
Growth Water tanks - licences	20% 176 212	20% 246 599	<i>-100%</i> 295 919	20% 325 511	20% 341 787
Growth JDA Air Liquide	<i>20%</i> 620 000	20%	20%	10%	5%
Subsidies	184 000	92 941			
Total Revenue - other	1 683 111	1 183 019	295 919	325 511	341 787

Financial figures in €







Variable Costs

- ▶ Variable costs include include raw materials and cost of production (labour, energy, space, etc.).
- ► For royalty income (Light Commercial Vehicles and Cars) a royalty fee of 10% is due towards Air Liquide (as compensation for the funds invested).
 - > For example, an OEM of Hyundai produces a vessel with a selling price of 4.000 €. Covess receives 4% in royalties (160 €). From this royalty income, Air Liquide receives 10% = 16 €.
- ➤ Covess is also bounded to a hypothetical royalty of 10%*4% towards Air Liquide for own production (Trucks & Buses and Air Liquide).
 - For example, Covess produces a vessel with a selling price of 4.000 €. Covess hypothetically receives 4% in royalties (160 €). From this hypothetical royalty income, Air Liquide receives 10% = 16 €.

	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
Trucks & buses	0	0	-887.036	-1.772.247	-3.543.190
Variable Production cost	0	0	-879.413	-1.757.017	-3.512.742
Variable Royalty cost	0	0	-7.623	-15.230	-30.448
Air Liquide	0	0	-2.440.714	-12.203.571	-24.407.143
Variable Production cost	0	0	-2.422.714	-12.113.571	-24.227.143
Variable Royalty cost	0	0	-18.000	-90.000	-180.000
Light Comm -	0	0	-1.771	-7.084	-23.940
Royalty revenue					
Variable Production cost					
Variable Royalty cost	0	0	-1.771	-7.084	-23.940
Cars - Total Market - Royalty	0	0	-9.843	-39.375	-118.125
revenue					
Variable Production cost					
Variable Royalty cost	0	0	-9.843	-39.375	-118.125
Total Variable costs - H2	0	0	-3.339.364	-14.022.277	-28.092.398

Financial figures in €







Personnel Costs, Overhead Costs, Working Capital, Tax Rate & CAPEX

- ► Personnel costs are estimated by Management in terms of the envisioned growth plan and hereby taking into account a cost to the company at arm's length for the following profiles:
 - ▶ Management
 - > R&D
 - Production Personnel
 - Logistics
 - Marketing & Sales
- Overhead costs are estimated based on a percentage of revenue.
- Working capital

Accounts receivable: 45 days
 Inventory: 30 days
 Accounts payable: 30 days

➤ Thanks to the investments in IP Covess will profit from a ruling which allows an exemption of 85% of taxable income which results from IP-related income. The remainder is taxable under the current Belgian tax regime.

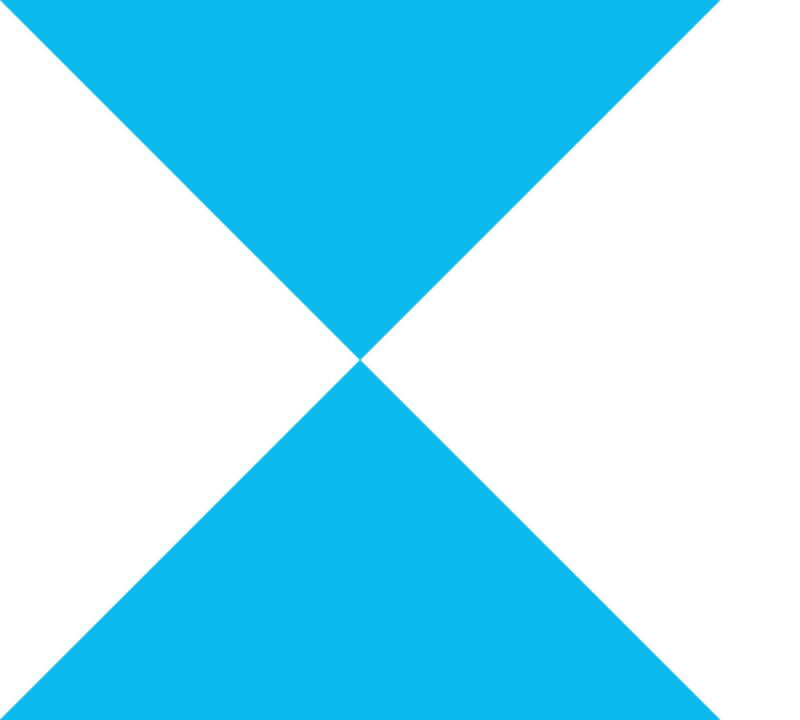
Capital expenditures primarily exist of the investment in new product lines and is estimated as follows:

Assumption	
1 production line per	3.000,00 vessels per year
# of vessels Truck & Bus (Nikola)	5,00 per bus/truck
# of vessels Air Liquide	100,00 per trailer Air Liquide
Cost per production line	2.400.000 €
Depreciation time	5,00 years
Investment	1,00 year prior to production

- ➤ The amount of vessels is calculated of the forecasted turnover in order to anticipate on the production capacity needed.
- Assumption is made that capex will be externally financed for 50% as from 2024 (before 2024 this is 100% funded with equity) and depreciated over 5 years.







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