#### **Egil Myklebust, Chairman of the Board**

A business case for sustainable development



HRH The Prince of Wales's Business & the Environment Programme,
Senior Executives' Seminar,
Salzburg, September 21, 2001

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## Norsk Hydro 2001

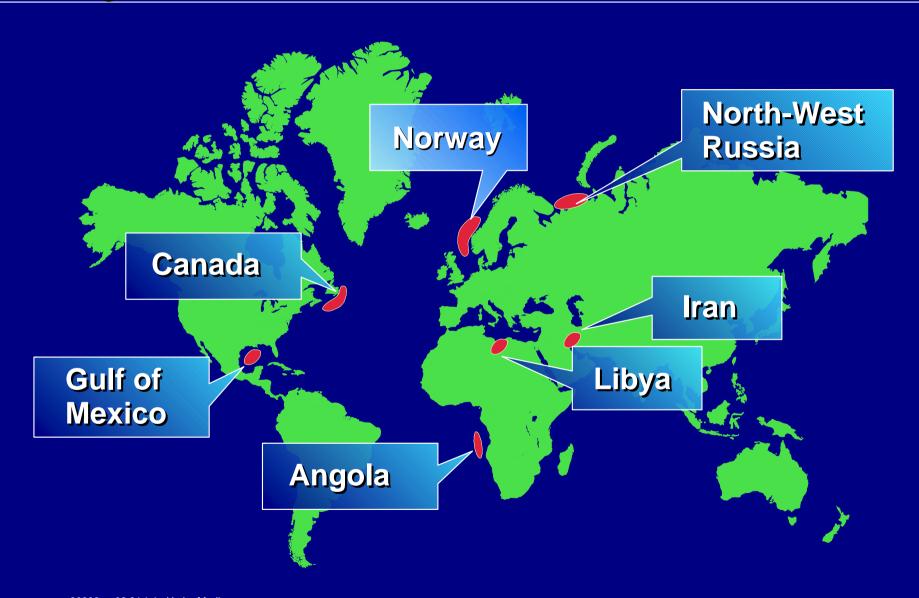
Transforming natural resources into necessities of life

- **✓** Key Figures 2000:
  - **►** Operating revenues USD 18 billion
  - ► Operating income USD 3.2 billion
  - **►** 38,000 employees in over 60 countries





# Hydro Oil and Gas' International Core Areas





# Paula Viegas





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## Angola - Key Figures

#### **✓** Socioeconomic Data (UNDP 2000)

Population

Population growth

Population under 15 yr. old

Life expectancy

Under 5 yr. mortality rate

Adult literacy rate

Enrollment rate in primary school

GNP/capita

Population under poverty line

Displaced population (war)

 Urban population in % of total (of which 25% population in Luanda)

 2/3 of children will reach adulthood with 4 years or less of education ~13 million

~3%

45%

47 years

1/3 (world's 2nd highest)

50% (men) - 70% (women)

29%

US\$ 510 (1999)

70%

10%

50%



# Investing in Angola's future





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# Quenguela Water System and Agriculture Program

#### Quenguela Agriculture Program;

- Support of Manioc production
- Manioc processing
- Experimental garden
- Initiate vegetable production
- Reforestation study
- Abattoir study
- Evaluate installment of fruit and vegetable packing facilities

#### **Manioc Field**





#### Quenguela Water System;

- 7 water wells drilled in 1999 and 2000
- 2 old water wells at Quenguela base
- 17 km water line supplying Ramiro area
- ► Total flowrate of 70 m³/hour
- Generators to run the wells
- Fountains where people can take water
- Quality control of water by Sonangol
- Laboratory



## Investing in Angola's future

- Local industrial development and social projects
  - Quenguela regional development programs
- Management and Technology Cooperation Program



# Management and Technology Cooperation Program

- 🖊 Preparatory Year in Angola 🧹 Sending young, talented
  - Angolan candidates age 22 or below
  - Selection based on extensive testing and interviews
  - Train English Language to IELTS +5 level
  - Train in Mathematics and Physics to University Entry Level
  - Give knowledge in Computers
  - Duration: 1 academic year

- Sending young, talented Angolans to British or American Universities
  - to obtain degrees in
  - Geology and Geophysics
  - Mechanical, Chemical and Civil Engineering
  - Petroleum Engineering
  - Computer Science
  - Business and Financial Management



## Investing in Angola's future

- Local industrial development and social projects
  - Quenguela regional development programs
- Management and Technology Cooperation Program
- ✓ Compliance with Angolan laws and regulations and Hydro's global ethics
- Transparency



## Investing in Angola's future





### Our way - step by step





### Organisational characteristics

- functional organisation
- from closed to open
- responsibility and accountability
- personal commitment
- measurements/ documents
- sharing best practices

- customers/markets
- technological expertise
- innovation conceptual minds

- sharing responsibility
- cultural understanding
- industry/consumer responsibility
- policy frameworks

Phase 4

Strategy integration

Phase 3

Strategic impact

Phase 2

**Operations** 

Phase 1

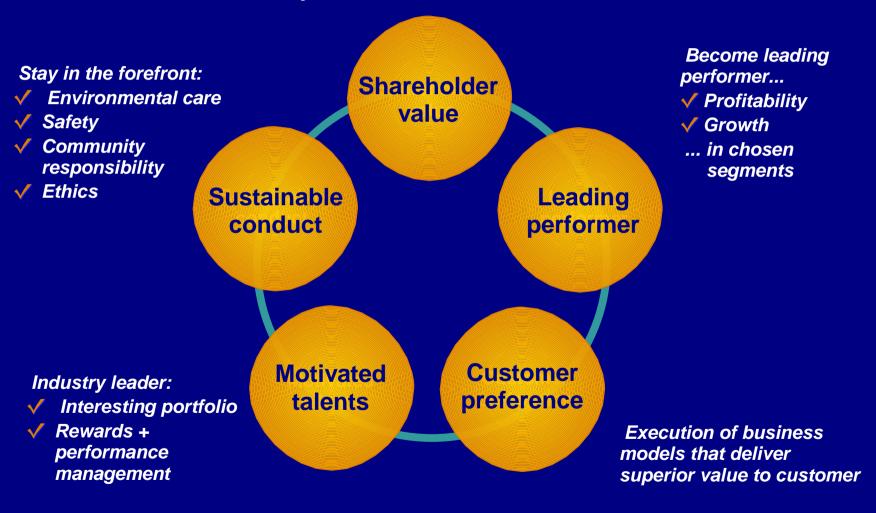
**Projects** 



**Time** 

## Strategy integration

#### Competitive shareholder returns





#### Our three ambitions

**✓** Sustainable conduct - Norsk Hydro values



The Porsgrunn industrial complex in the 60's





The Porsgrunn industrial complex in the 90's





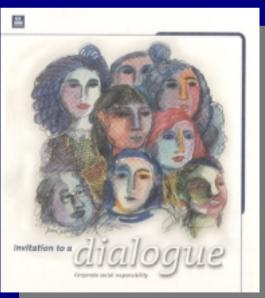
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# Invitation to a dialogue







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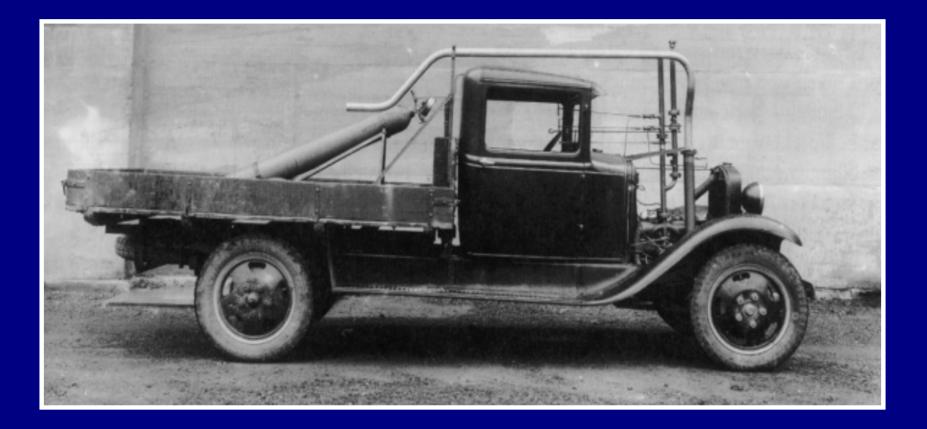
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- **✓** Open communication Stakeholder dialogues
- ✓ Innovation Business development



#### Innovation

# - the playing field for conceptual minds -

#### Ammonia fuelled car, Rjukan 1933

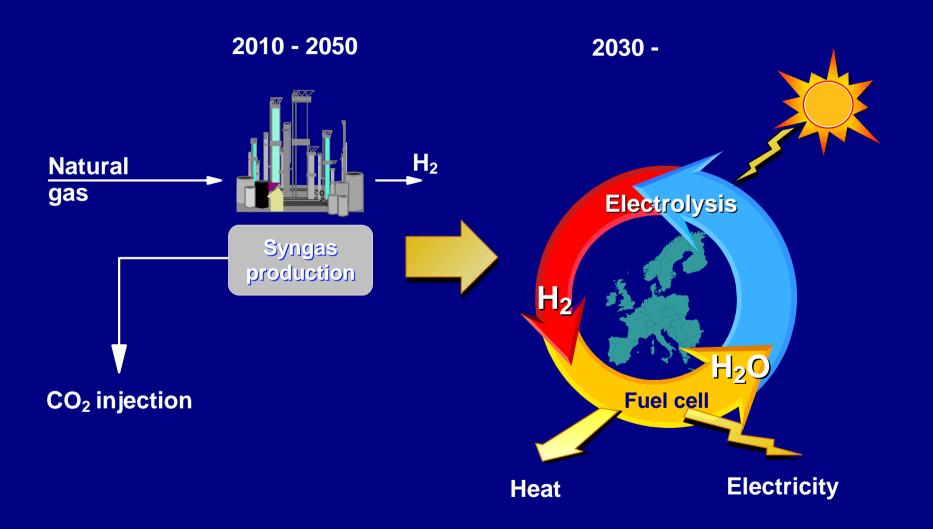


Source : "Worth a try"

Research and Development in Norsk Hydro through 90 years",
Oslo 1997 (page 125)



# Hydrogen - the energy carrier of the future



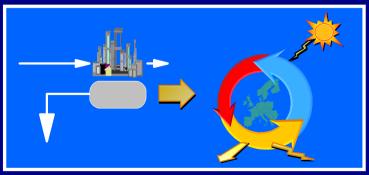


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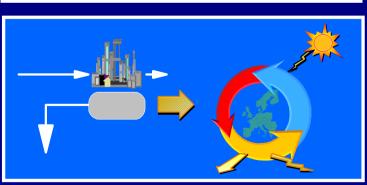
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- **✓** Innovation
  - Business development



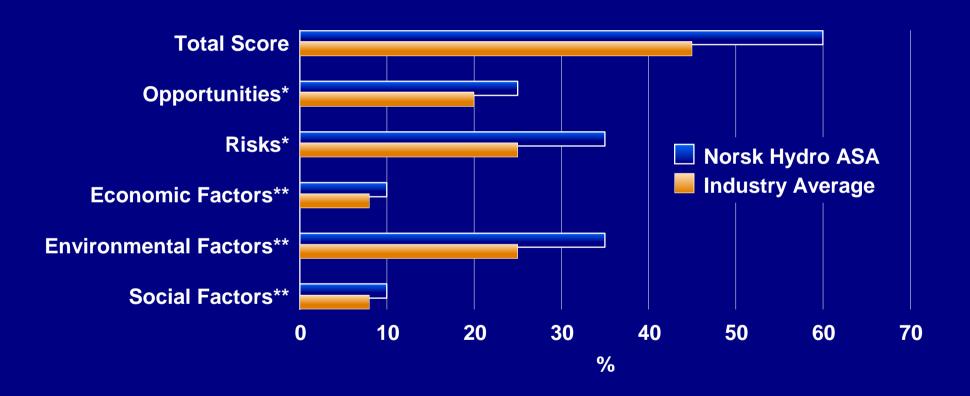






## Sustainability Scores

#### SAM Sustainability Corporate Assessment ("Dow Jones") 2000



\* max. 50% \*\* approx. 33% of Total Score



# Sustainability - opportunities and risks

#### SAM Sustainability Corporate Assessment ("Dow Jones") 2000 **Sustainability Opportunities Sustainability Risks**



#### Strategic Approach to Opportunities

- Strategic Planning
- Org. Development
- Environmental Charters IT Management
- Stakeholder Involvement

#### Management **Opportunities**

- Quality Management
- Intellectual Capital Managem.
- Environm. & Social Reporting Social Responsibility
- **Employee Benefits**
- Remuneration
- Employee Satisfaction
- Environm. Profit & Loss Acc.

#### Strategic Approach to Risks

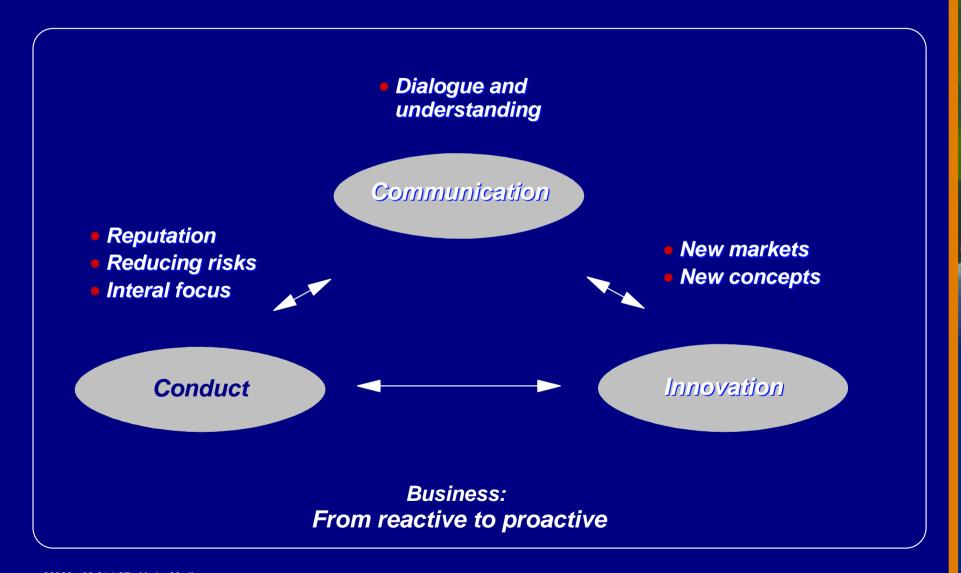
- Corporate Governance
- Environm. Responsibility
- Environm. Policy
- Social Policy

#### Management **Risks**

- Risk & Crisis Management
- Environm. Managem./Perform.
- Corporate Codes of Conduct
- Child Labour/Equal Rights
- Confict Resolution/Discriminat.
- Occupational Health & Safety
- Layoffs/ Freedom of Association
- Standards for Suppliers

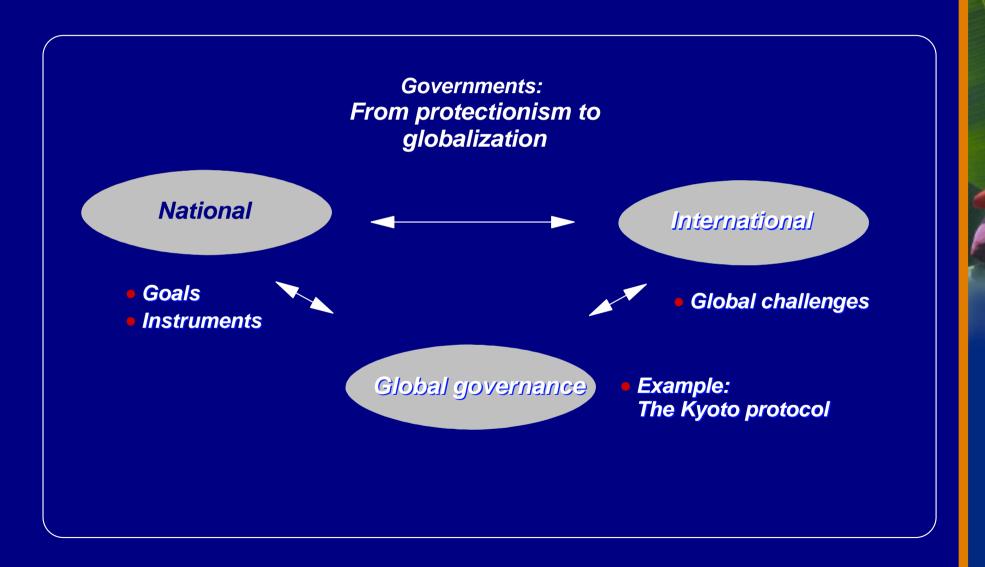


# Towards sustainability - business from reactive to proactive



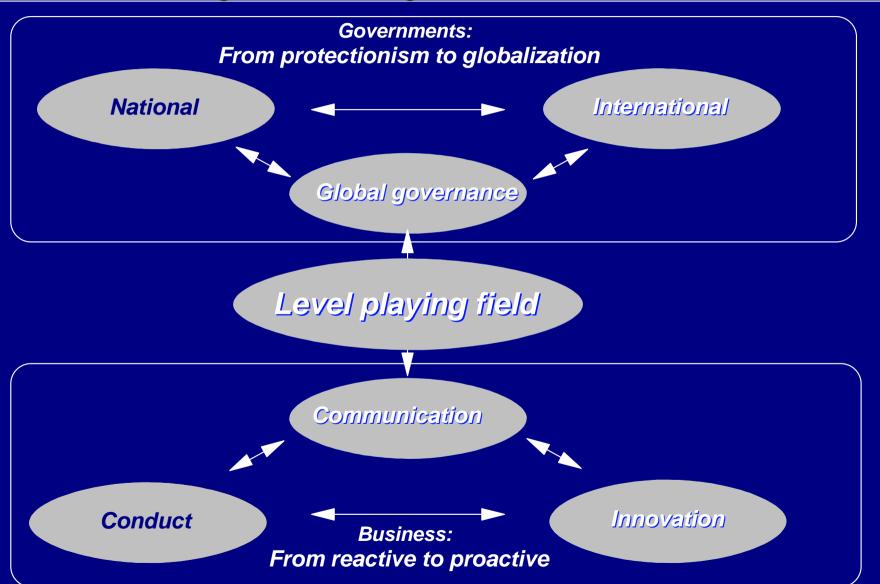


# Towards sustainability - governments from protectionism to globalization





# Towards sustainability - demanding challenges





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