

Kitakyushu's efforts leading a transition toward a sustainable Asia by a PPP model

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The City of Kitakyushu supports the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).



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1. Kitakyushu: The “Key” of Kyushu



Kitakyushu Airport



Fukuoka Airport
(International Flights)



Kokura Station
(Shinkansen)

2.Attractive Resources in Kitakyushu



Leading Companies in the Kitakyushu Region



Nippon Steel



Yaskawa Electric



TOTO



Mitsubishi Chemical

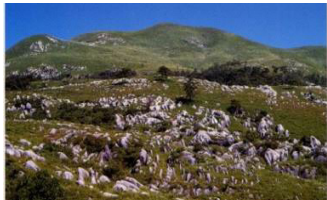


Toyota



Nissan

Surrounded by Nature



Hiraodai Karst Plateau



Wakamatsu North Coast



Kokura Castle



Night Views from Mount Sarakura



Sunflowers (City Flower)

3

Regional Specialties



Buzen Sea Oysters



Wakamatsu Tomatoes



Ouma Bamboo Shoots



Kanmon Strait Octopuses



Kokura Beef

3. History ~ Development featuring a balance between the environment and economy via the power of the local community



<1950s to present> Kitakyushu overcame pollution through the power of its local community and now contributes globally based on its experience (know-how)



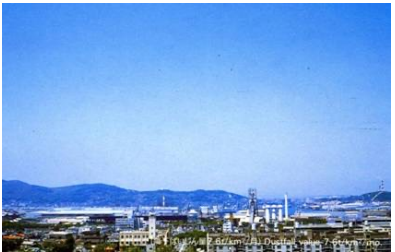
1960s

“We Want Our Blue Skies Back”

movement by **residents (women's associations)**



Overcoming pollution through collaboration among industry, government, academia and the public.



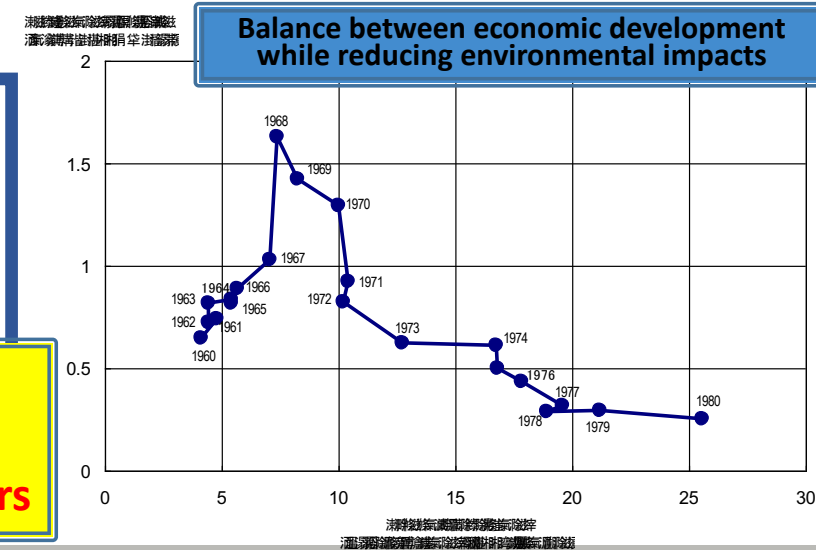
Point!!

International cooperation with cities overseas using Kitakyushu's experience in overcoming pollution.

International recognition

○ **UNEP's Global 500 award**

○ **UN Local Government Honours**



Kitakyushu

5. Visits by World Leaders



Kitakyushu's actions are the focus of international attention

Xi Jinping President of PRC
(Dec 2009)



The People's Daily (Dec 17, 2009)

“Kitakyushu's rich experiences in environmental protection and development of advanced technologies deserve to be used as a model for application in China today.”



H.E. Dr. Somkid Jatusripitak, Deputy
Prime Minister of Thailand



Both country of Thailand and Japan agreed that Consulate General will be established in Fukuoka city, so H.E. Dr. Somkid Jatusripitak, Deputy Prime Minister came to Fukuoka city and Kitakyushu city for the seminar to attempt investment to Thailand and visit robotics factory under the Thailand 4.0 and EEC projects.

6.SDGs Pilot Model City



SDGs Awards by
Gov. of Japan
(Dec. 2017)



**SDGs Future City
Initiative** by Gov. of
Japan (Jun. 2018)



OECD selecting SDGs Pilot Model City
for territorial approach (Apr. 2018)



7. Asian Center for Low Carbon Society

~Kitakyushu's hub for environmental business in Asia~



2010 Kitakyushu Asian Center for Low Carbon Society established

Center's aims ⇒ Respond to the needs of Asian cities

“not simply to export technology, but to create green cities”

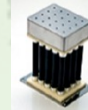
Collective strength as a top environmental city (City of Kitakyushu)



**Experience
overcoming
pollution**



Visionary social systems
(Kitakyushu Eco-Town, etc.)



**Superior
environmental
technologies**

Respond to diverse needs of Asian cities and companies

Eco-cities, smart cities, other



Made-to-order system
for export to cities

Reduce greenhouse gases
through JCM

Asian region as the location for the
**creation of a base for demonstrations and
the development of human resources**

Hub for environmental business in Asia

8. Case study : Hai Phong, Viet nam

~ Promotion of pilot projects based on the "Green Growth Promotion Plan"

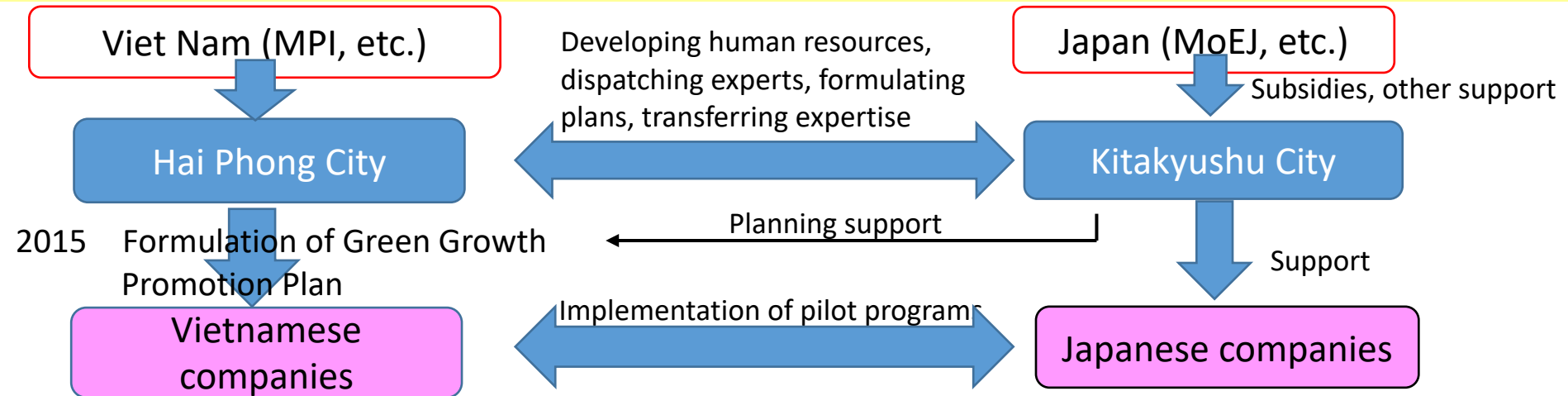


■ Kitakyushu provided support to Hai Phong in drawing up a Green Growth Promotion Plan based on the national Green Growth Strategy of the Vietnamese government.

■ As indicated in the promotion plan, fifteen pilot projects are being implemented in seven areas, including waste management, energy, water supply and sewage, and transportation in collaboration between the cities of Hai Phong and Kitakyushu, as well as companies in Viet Nam and Japan.



2014 Signing sister city agreement



Examples of pilot projects



Solar power generation



Electric bus



Treatment of wastewater with high concentrations of organic matter



Composting of organic waste



Development of eco-industrial parks in industrial estates

~ Visualizing the Degree of Contribution through the K-MRV Project ~



- ①Energy management
- ②Water business
- ③Recycling, waste management
- ④Cleaner production and pollution control

Introduction of waste heat recovery power generation system at a cement plant
Reduction of approximately 40,000 tons of CO₂ emissions annually



Kitakyushu New Low-Carbon Measurement, Reporting and Verification Mechanism (K-MRV)

The amount of greenhouse gas emissions that can be reduced through the implementation of each project is measured through a certified system (K-MRV) by external experts, in order to **visualize the level of contribution.**

Investigate causes
↓
Consider solutions
↓
Survey industrial composition in surrounding area
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Consider marketability
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Review project methodology

③Project implementation (Establish business)

10. Creating a Zero-Carbon City through a Virtuous Cycle for the Environment and Economy

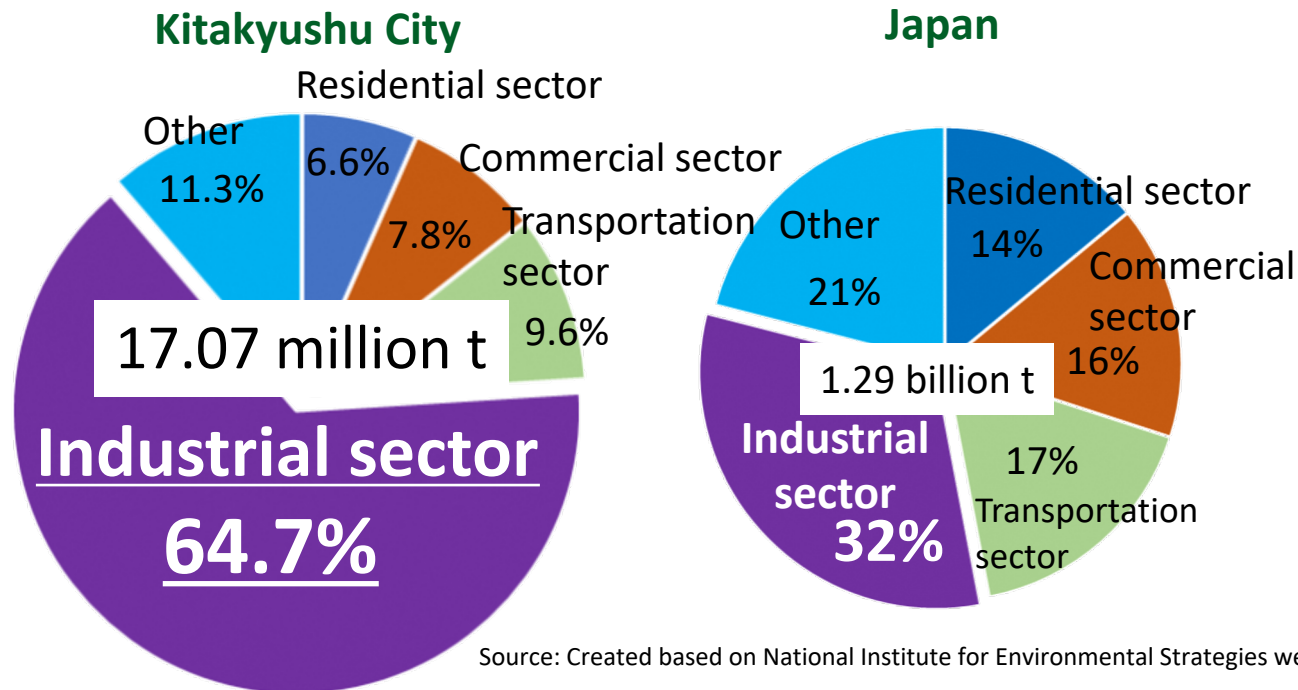


- The "realization of a decarbonized society" is a major challenge for the industrial city of Kitakyushu
- Responses to global warming will transform the industrial, economic and social structure, leading to significant growth



Creation of a "virtuous cycle for the environment and economy" in an industrial city = Aim to develop the "Kitakyushu Model" for deployment in Japan and overseas

GHG emissions (2017)



5 Pillars to Achieve Zero-Carbon

I Decarbonize energy

II Promote innovation

III Transform lifestyles

IV Develop resilient cities capable of adapting to climate change

V Contribute to the global society

Formulate the **Kitakyushu Green Growth Strategy** (in 2021)

(1) Strategically secure decarbonized energy

① Wind power

Maximize the use of the only base port in western Japan to develop a comprehensive base for wind-power related industries

② Storage batteries

Build an electricity storage system to supply renewable energy in a stable and efficient manner at low cost

③ Hydrogen

Establish a production and import base for CO₂-free hydrogen using surplus wind power

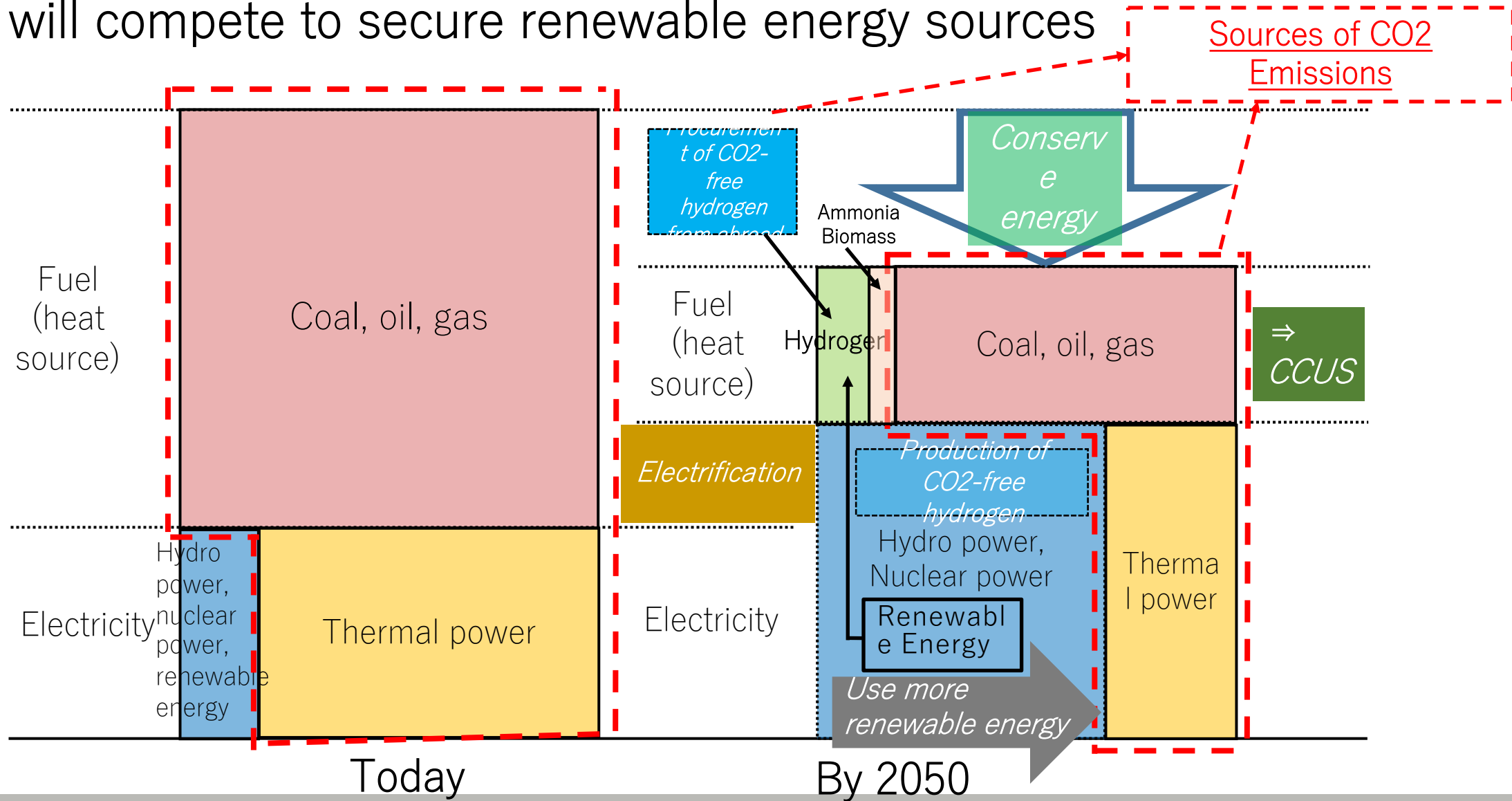
(2) Support the early achievement of innovations

Develop human resources in collaboration with industry, academia and the government and support corporate activities from a system and financial perspective in collaboration with the national government

11.How Japan Can Achieve a Low Carbon Society (Energy Conservation, Electrification, Fuel Conversion)



Countries will compete to secure renewable energy sources



12. Creating values and strengthening competitiveness leads to sustainable urban development



Current Challenges for Kitakyushu

- Urban landscape: Creating an attractive city, renovating, addressing the issue of abandoned homes
- Economy/society: Attracting crowds, rethinking “liveliness”
- Declining birthrate and aging population: Supporting the elderly, new parents, and caretakers
- Environmental impact: Mitigating global warming, securing energy, implementing adaptation measures
- Leadership: Fostering entrepreneurs, strengthening civic engagement, maintaining community associations
- Local finances: Securing our own financial resources

Our Initiatives

- Improving safety, comfort, and welfare
- Attracting more people (residents, daytime population, tourists, etc.)
- Promoting new industries and entrepreneurship
- Attracting companies and projects
- Becoming a zero-carbon city

Creating values and strengthening our competitiveness as a city

Development and growth as a sustainable



➤ Basic Principles of Our Urban Development

Build a compact city through diverse types of cooperation that enriches residents' lives, industries, and nature

Become the environmental capital of the world by leveraging urban resources, protecting our greenery and water, and ensuring that everyone leads a happy and active life

➤ Main Goals

- 1) To provide a worry-free environment to all residents
- 2) To become a city brimming with vitality
- 3) To attract visitors and new residents
- 4) To become an eco-friendly city
- 5) To achieve urban development based on cooperation among residents, the municipality, and various entities

14. Urban Development in the City of Kitakyushu 2



Become a city with an advanced energy storage system

1. Power **all public facilities** with **100% renewable energy** by **FY2025**
 - The earliest deadline among prefectures and major cities
 - Use electricity created by renewable energy plants within Kitakyushu (local consumption of locally produced energy)
2. Promote renewable energy **throughout the city**
 - Create a “Kitakyushu model for 100% renewable energy”
3. Expand throughout the **greater metropolitan area**
 - Promote low carbon efforts throughout the Kitakyushu metropolitan area (6 cities and 11 towns)

Participate in the “Decarbonization Domino Effect,”
the Government of Japan’s low carbon roadmap for regions

15. Power All Public Facilities with 100% Renewable Energy by FY2025



Target facilities



City hall and ward offices



Public elementary and middle schools



Facilities for community activities (community centers, etc.)

Completion of switchover

A total of 2,000 facilities



Social/ education facilities



Cultural /sports facilities

200 facilities

Completed in April 2021

800 facilities

FY2021

FY2022-23

FY2024-25

Gradually supply to more facilities according to the amount of renewable energy procured

Power sources in Kitakyushu



Waste-to-energy



Mega Solar



Onshore wind power

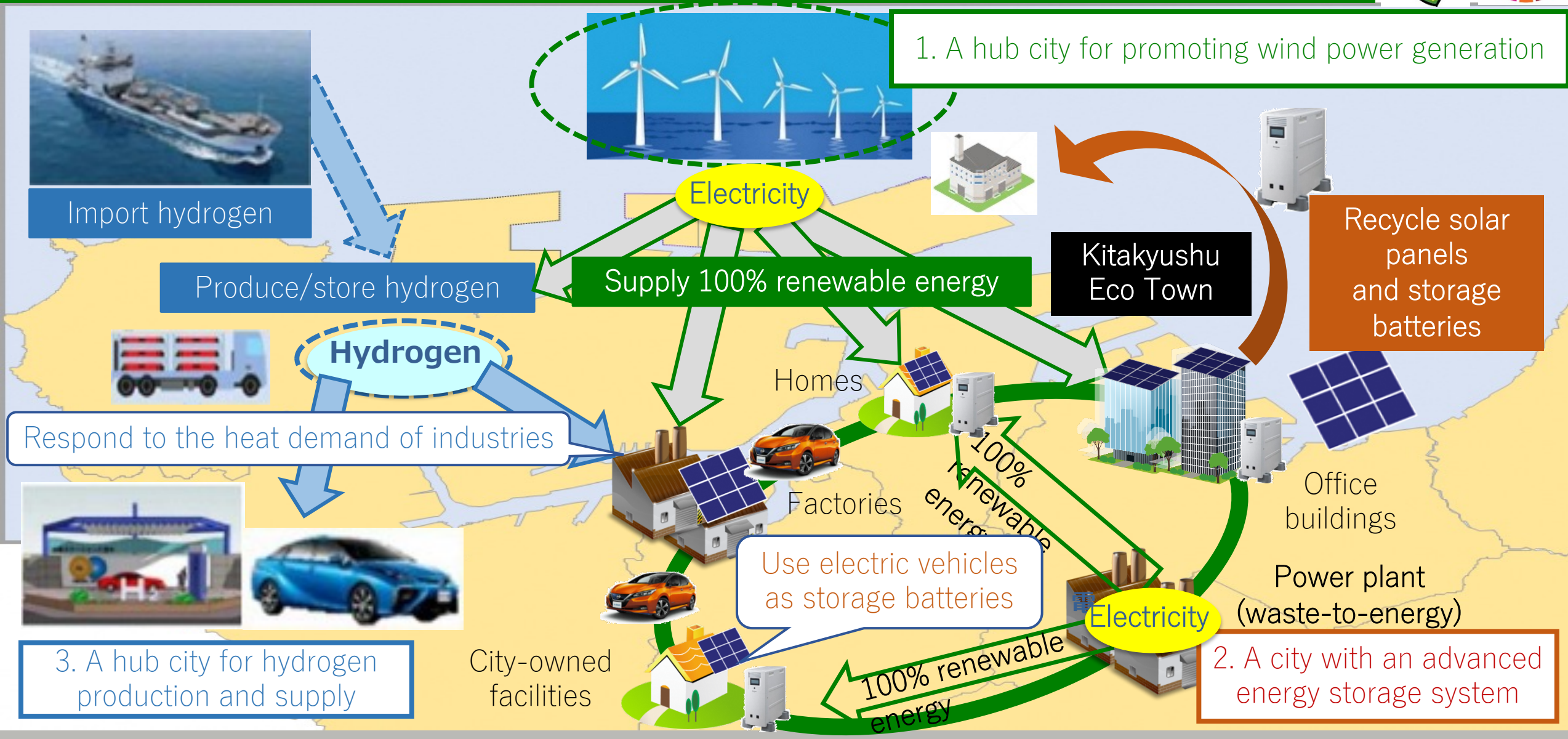


Biomass



Waste-to-energy

16. Kitakyushu's Vision for the Strategic Use of Energy



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your environmental problems.**

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