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ENVIRONMENT



ACT SAF

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EU support on SAF outside of Europe

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Global Context

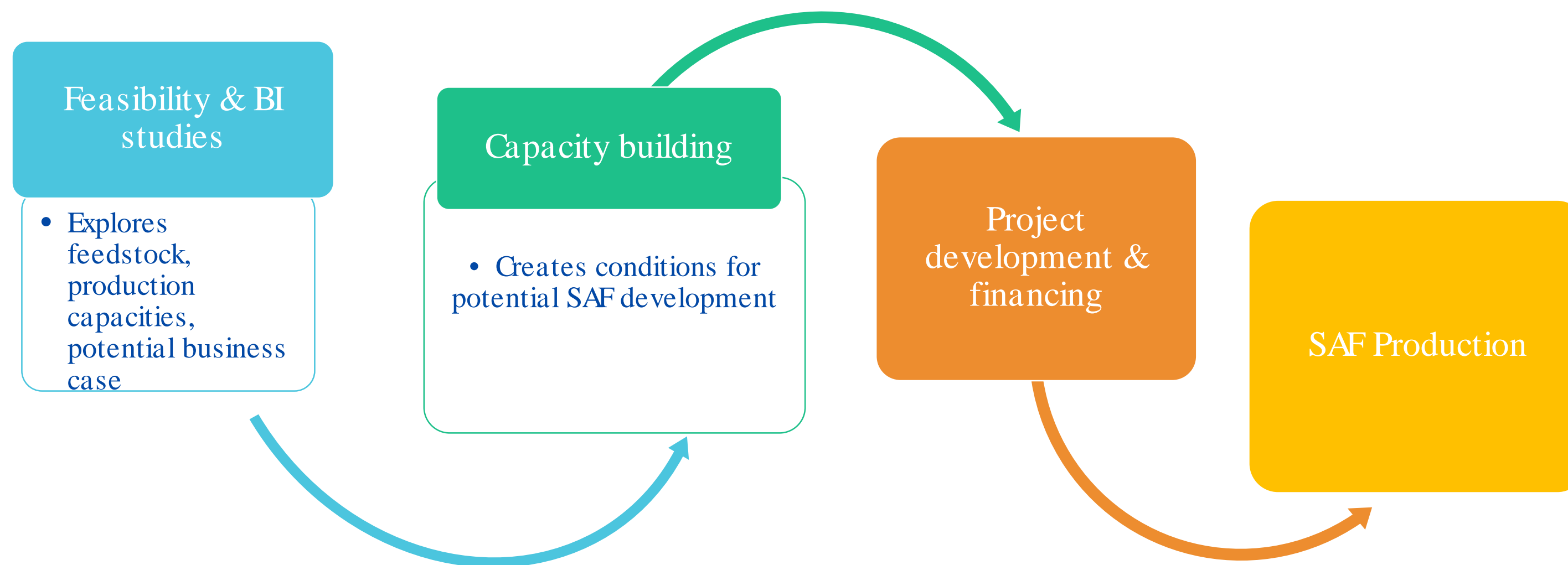
- ICAO's Long Term Aspirational Goal (LTAG) 2022: Net zero global aviation sector by 2050
 - SAF is the component of LTAG with most potential to yield significant CO2 emissions reductions
- Framework adopted at 3rd ICAO Conference on Aviation and Alternative Fuels (CAAF/3) in Dubai November 2023:
 - An objective of 5% CO2 emissions reduction by 2030 through a greater use of SAF and other cleaner energy (compared to kerosene-only).
 - Need for global Capacity Building and support to developing states – the EU is committed to support

International Partnerships for SAF

- Objective: Create **capacity for SAF production**
- Several concluded and ongoing **EU-funded SAF projects** in partner countries in Africa, Asia, and Latin America and the Caribbean **implemented by ICAO** (mainly feasibility studies) and **EASA** (mainly capacity building)
- **ICAO has conducted seven EU-funded feasibility studies** (Côte d'Ivoire, Rwanda, Zimbabwe, Burkina Faso, Kenya, Dominican Republic, Trinidad & Tobago).



International Partnerships for SAF



EU-funded ACT-SAF Project India-Africa

Project Overview - Setup

- EU Contribution to ICAO ACT-SAF Initiative on Capacity Building for Sustainable Aviation Fuels (SAF) eligible under the Carbon Offsetting and Reduction Scheme for International Aviation (CORSI A)
- Inception phase: February – June 2024
- Implementation period: June 24 – December 27
- Staggered Implementation to support 14 States in Africa and India
- Project with two implementing partners:
 - Part I - ICAO providing 10 Feasibility Studies (9 African States, plus India)
 - Part II - EASA providing wider range of support (14 African States, plus India)
- Budget: 4M€





- ❖ The EU designated SAF as a 2024 Global Gateway Flagship:
- ❖ “Supporting the development, production and use of sustainable aviation fuels”
- ❖ Working to operationalise this SAF Flagship with new activities and projects

Global Gateway

EU-Africa
flagship projects

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EU-Asia and the Pacific
flagship projects

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Regional - Africa

- Climate adaptation and resilience in Africa**
Mobilisation of investments and insurance schemes and solutions for climate resilience in Africa
- Sustainable Aviation Fuels**
Support the global development and use of sustainable aviation fuels
- Global Maritime Technology Cooperation Centres (phase 2)**
Achieve the energy efficiency and greenhouse-gas targets of the International Maritime Organization

Regional - Southern Neighbourhood

- Medusa cable**
Connect Northern Africa with European countries to increase the speed of internet, opens up digital economies, and provide high-speed interconnectivity for education and research networks
- Partnerships with private institutional investors** on climate-smart solutions, digital transformation, and financial inclusion

Regional - Central and Eastern Africa

- Construction of hydropower plant (Ruzizi III)** for DRC, Rwanda and Burundi

Regional - Southern and Eastern Africa

- Construction of a 10,000 km regional fiber-optic backbone**, directly connecting up to 3,000 schools, 1,500 hospitals, and 1,200 government institutions across DRC, Zambia, Zimbabwe, Malawi, Mozambique

Regional - Sub-Saharan Africa

- AfricaConnect4**
Enhance Regional and National Research and Education Networks with high-speed digital connectivity, e-services, and data infrastructures for research and education, focusing on women's and girls' empowerment
- Africa-Europe Digital Regulators Partnership**
Support the implementation of the Digital Transformation Strategy for Africa 2020-2030, and support to capacity building for electronic communications regulators for more affordable and quality connectivity and broadband mapping
- Data Governance**
Development of data policy frameworks and data use cases, as well as identification of investments in green and secure data infrastructure
- NaturAfrica**
Support biodiversity conservation and socio-economic development through integrated landscape approach across six terrestrial biomes (Congo Basin Forests, Transhumance Central Africa, West Africa Forests, Sudano Sahelian savannahs of West Africa, Eastern Rift savannahs, Southern Africa transfrontier conservation areas) and four coastal and marine areas (West Africa, Gulf of Guinea, Benguela current and Indian Ocean)
- Digital Health for Health Systems** Strengthening and Universal Health Coverage
- Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights in Sub-Saharan Africa**
Improve access to quality Sexual and Reproductive Health commodities by enhancing supply chain management
- Manufacturing and access to vaccines, medicines and health technology products** in Senegal, Rwanda, Ghana and South Africa

Energy Efficiency in Buildings
Support the transition to low-carbon, energy-efficient and climate resilient buildings and construction sectors through technical assistance and concessional loans

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Regional - South Asia

- South Asia Energy Connectivity**
Support to solar PV power plants, hydro power plants and respective transmission lines for grid connection through Bhutan, extension of Chime-Tishui transmission line and Dudhokoshi Storage Hydroelectric Project in Nepal. Support to development of regional energy market and investment environment in Bangladesh, Bhutan, India, Nepal
- Regional Teacher Programme**
Support the development and implementation of policies, education and professional development for teachers in Africa
- Youth Mobility for Africa**
Enhance learning, mobility, and higher education cooperation between Africa and the EU, promoting Africa as a study destination and youth empowerment

Regional - South East Asia

- Transport corridor**
Rehabilitation of the highway linking Thailand, Laos, and Vietnam

Regional - Pacific Islands

- Climate**
Strengthen the climate resilience of Pacific Islands' ecosystems, economies and communities

Regional - Central Asia

- Sustainable Aviation Fuels**
Supporting the development, production and use of sustainable aviation fuels
- Global Maritime Technology Cooperation Centres: phase 2**
Achieve the energy-efficiency and greenhouse-gas targets of the International Maritime Organization
- Satellite Connectivity**
Building satellite connectivity to reach the most underserved parts of Central Asian countries to reduce the digital divide through a gateway and terminals on the ground
- Critical Raw Materials**
Technical assistance promoting best practices for resource classification, modernisation of mining and refining processes. Investments to support exploration of critical raw materials
- Transport**
Promoting sustainable transport corridors between Europe and Central Asia

Regional - Central America

- Reinforcing the regional electricity market** and its dedicated transmission line as well as critical national transmission infrastructure
- Implementation of the Five Great Forests of Mesoamerica initiative:** conservation and restoration of forests

Regional - Caribbean

- Addressing the threat of the sargassum algae plague**
- Improve maritime connectivity** in the Caribbean to foster regional integration, economic growth and food security

Regional - Amazon basin

- Sustainable forest management and bioeconomy**

Regional - LAC

- Digital Alliance**
 - Extension of BELLA cable to Central America and the Caribbean countries
 - Regional policy dialogue on cybersecurity, connectivity, e-governance and data governance
 - Establishment of two regional Copernicus centres in Panama and Chile
 - EU-LAC Digital Accelerator: supporting joint ventures between EU and LAC innovative start-ups, SMEs and corporations
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- Health resilience**
Partnership on health resilience and equitable access to health products, including vaccines
- Social cohesion**
 - Stronger linkages among academia, research and business, better responding to education, innovation and labour market needs
 - Partnerships to reduce inequalities and reinforce social policies, accountable public institutions, and inclusive investments to foster just transitions

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These outputs do not capture the whole of the Team Europe engagement in country. They capture concrete investments under Global Gateway. They will be accompanied by soft measures in a 360° approach, so as to improve the policy, regulatory and business environment, develop skills, foster innovation and transfer technology (i.e. the D4D Hub and its regional branches). North of Africa projects are implemented under the EU's Economic and Investment Plans agreed with the countries. The boundaries and names shown and the designations used on this map do not imply official endorsement or acceptance by the EU. Source: European Commission - Eurostat/GSCC. Source: European Commission - Eurostat/GSCC.



The ReFuelEU Aviation Regulation

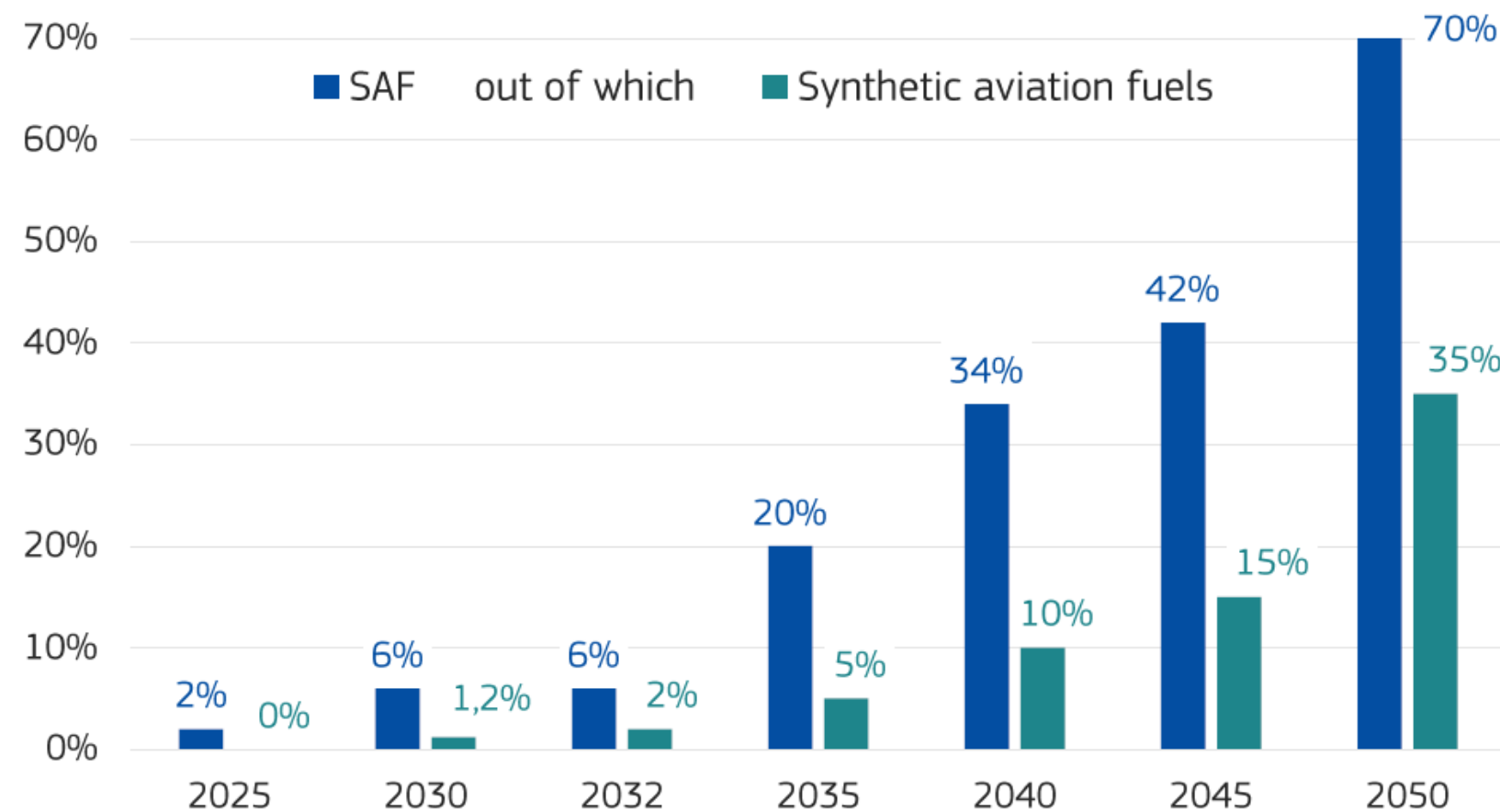


Foster the **ramp-up of SAF supply in the EU** and ensure the availability of SAF to decarbonise aviation

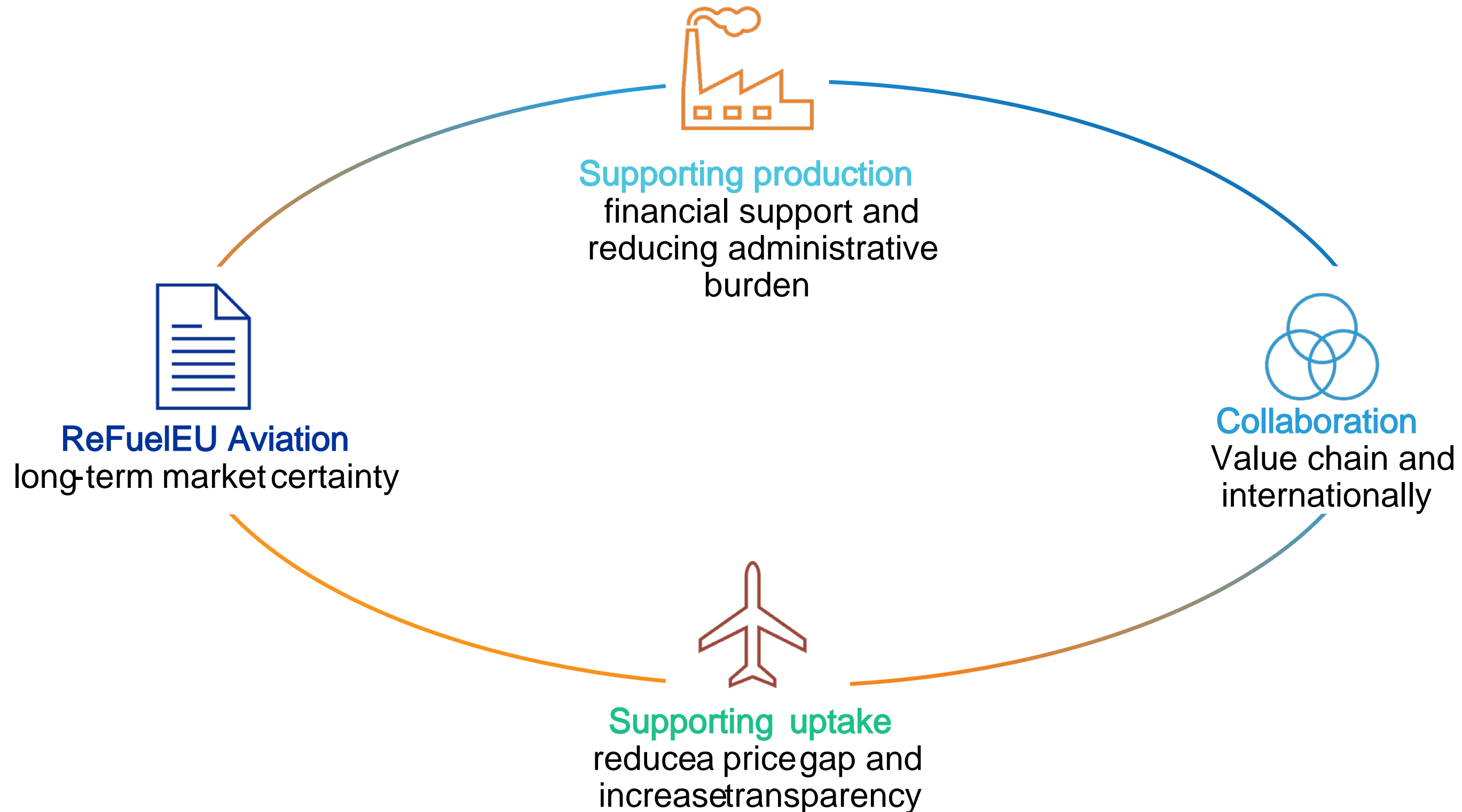
Guarantee a **level playing field in aviation** through a harmonised EU approach



Ambitious **EU-wide binding shares** and realistic **ramp-up 2025-2050**



SAF supporting measures



EU SAF policy: an industrial policy to support the transition of aviation



Collaboration

Cross-sectoral collaboration

Renewable and Low Carbon Fuels Industrial Alliance (RLCF)

Global collaboration at ICAO

Long Term Aspirational Goal, CAAF/3 Global Framework



Production

Financing to de-risk SAF production

Horizon Europe, Innovation Fund, InvestEU, Global Gateway

New SAF pathways and new plants

EU SAF Clearing House, Net Zero Industry Act, ACTSAF



Uptake

Financing to narrow the price gap

20 million SAF Allowances and zero rating ETS, energy taxation

Enhancing transparency

Flight Emissions Label, EU taxonomy

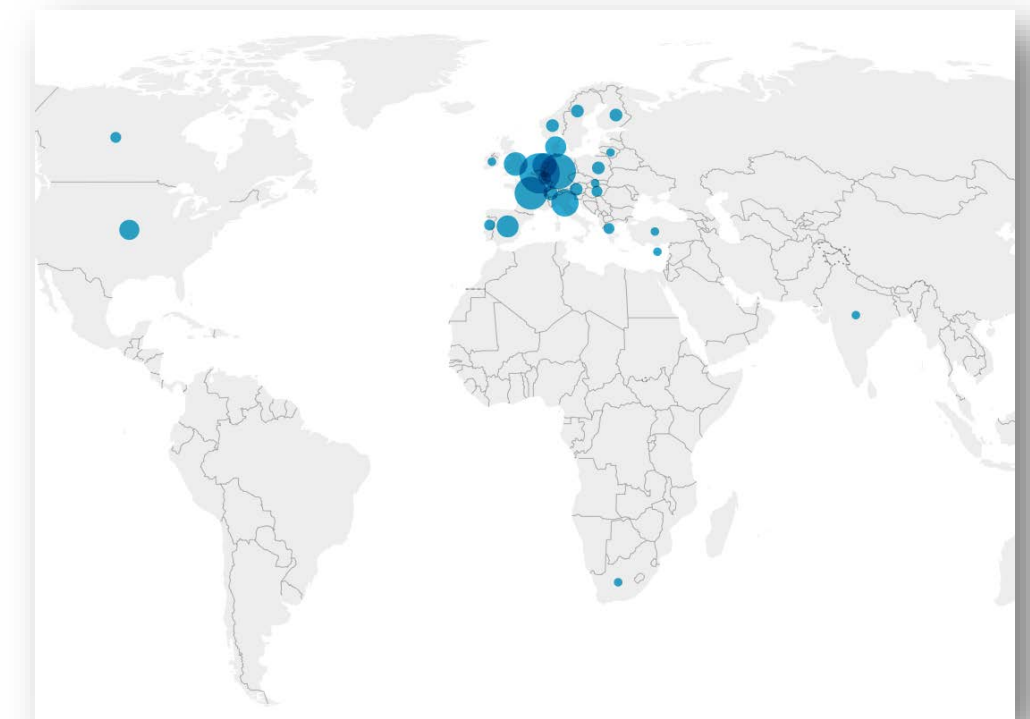


Long-term market predictability for SAF scale-up

ReFuelEU Aviation Regulation

RLCF (Renewable and Low Carbon Fuels Value Chain Alliance) project pipeline within ReFuelEU Aviation

- Industrial dimension of ReFuelEU Aviation initiative:
 - Increase success of the SAF projects, leading to achieving the EU SAF targets
 - Market foresight and monitoring the progress for policy-making
 - Identifying and responding to the funding needs and gaps
- RLCF role in building of the SAF community, engagement and awareness on SAF investment opportunities, paving the way for the pipeline.
- RLCF open participation, but focus to increase SAF availability and production in the EU.
 - Scope for the synergies with Fininvest Hub initiative.



Thank You

