







General Specifications

Wingspan: 20 m

MTOM: 2 t

Payload: 1 t, loading and unloading < 20 min.

Mission change: logistics to firefighting... < 3h

Propulsion: 2 x 475 kW electric engines

Cruising Speed: 170 knots

Range: 650–1,000 km

Take-Off Distance: < 250 m

Grass/Field Runway Capable

REX: H2/E-Fuel direct combustion system.



Hydrogen-Driven Range-Extended Aircraft (UAM)

Military Operations

- Tactical Supply and Logistics
- Reconnaissance and Surveillance
- Secure Communications
- Search and Rescue (SAR).



Hydrogen-Driven Range-Extended Aircraft

Civil Operations

- Logistics
- Telecommunications
- Control and Surveillance.

Disaster Operations

- Firefighting
- Logistics
- Telecommunications
- Control and Surveillance.



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Market Forecast for UAVs up to 2t (west) Global Market 2024-2034:

From 2024 to 2029, the market is expected to grow from USD 17.31 billion to USD 32.95 billion, with a CAGR of 13.74% p.a.

From 2024 to 2034, growth is projected to reach USD 58.4 billion, with a CAGR of 16.4% p.a.

Spending on drone technology is expected to double worldwide over the next ten years.

This is a Blue Ocean Project – it opens up an entirely new market space with no direct competitors.

Comparable drone solutions in this scale and versatility do not currently exist.

Sources: Financial Times, December 2024 / MarketsandMarkets, September 2024 / Mordor Intelligence, 2024



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Excerpts from the Business Plan

Financial Investment:

30 MEUR within 4 years from project start

- T 0 - T 18: Design and engineering 12 MEUR

- T 19 - T 36: Prototype production (TRL 7/8) 12 MEUR

- T 36 - T 48: EASA certification (Components in Progress) 6 MEUR









Exit Strategy - HYDRA

Exit Timing	Timeframe	Trigger Milestones	Exit Options	Target VC Return
Early Exit	, ,	EASA certification complete First Adopter MOUs Series A scaling ready	Trade Sale Option execution by First Adopters	3–5x MOIC (~30–40% IRR)
Strategic Exit	,	Revenue traction International expansion Active order pipeline	Strategic Acquisition Management Buy-out (MBO)	5–7x MOIC (~25–35% IRR)
Late Exit	, , ,	Dual-Use scaling (civil & defense) Long-term contracts IP portfolio solidified	IPO Secondary Sale (PE or industry)	7–10x MOIC (~20–30% IRR)







First Adopter strategy and EDF funding

Module	Content / Value
	LoI with deployment & purchase options
	Use cases: logistics, disaster relief
First Adopter – DHL	Optional equity participation post-pilot success
	Grant application planned for 2025 (€6-10M)
	TRL 6–8, non-dilutive funding
Public Funding – EDF (European Defence Fund)	Focus: prototype, testing, navigation, cyber
	Dual-use validation: civil + defense
	Two paths to scaling & de-risking
Combined Leverage	Early exit potential via partner equity







Market Prospects:

Annual revenue from series production expected at 200–300 MEUR with 5% market share in the European market. Increasing to approximately > 400–600 MEUR CAGR from the second year of full-scale production.

- Components to enter commercialization starting at T-18 months. First ROI expected from 18 months onward, like Battery modules, BMS ...
- Military applications, expect further developments: disaster relief missions, Logistic.
- T0-24: 20 jobs; T24-48: 100 jobs; T48-72: > 250 jobs in Bavaria.
- Development and production in Bavaria, Germany.



Strategic Advantages Multi-Purpose Operational Capability

Integration of Civil Drone Fleets (e.g., DHL, Amazon)

- Use of existing freight drone networks across Europe
- Experienced drone pilots & proven infrastructure
- No need for national stockpiling of drones or staff

Civil Protection & Defense Benefits:

- Rapid logistics & communication in crises
- Support of military supply chains
- Scalable response via civilian assets
- Public-private synergy (PPP model) for resilience





Hydra - The Modular Drone Concept up to 2 Tons MTOM

Project Overview

Hydra is a highly flexible unmanned aerial system (UAS) with a maximum takeoff mass (MTOM) of up to 2 tons. It is designed as a multi-role platform for civilian, disaster relief, and military operations – scalable, robust, and capable of operating under extrem conditions.

Civil Protection / Disaster Relief

- Supply of isolated or inaccessible regions
- Aerial firefighting & thermal reconnaissance
- Temporary telecommunications during outages
- Support for evacuation and coordination

Military Operations

- Tactical logistics and battlefield resupply
- ISR (Intelligence, Surveillance, Reconnaissance) missions
- Secure airborne communication hubs
- Search and Rescue (SAR) support in combat zones

<u>Civil-Military Synergy through Integration of Private Operators</u>

- Use of DHL freight drones across Europe during emergencies
- Skilled civilian operators & existing infrastructure
- Relief of government logistics through Public-Private Partnership (PPP)

Strategic Advantages

- Highly modular and mission-adaptable
- Deployable in crises and national defense scenarios
- Cost-efficient via civilian-military integration
- Scalable across national and European levels

Positioning

Hydra is a Blue Ocean Project – it opens up a new market space with no existing comparable solutions. It combines versatility, strategic relevance, and cutting-edge technology on a level not currently realized elsewhere.





Consortium Partner HYDRA:

H2/E-Fuel REX

H2 Integration

Project Management / Consortiumleader

H2 Integration

Industrialization

AI-Plattform / MBSE













Integration of Flight Control / Simulation

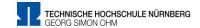
Lightweight construction / automated manufacturing

Design of Electrical System / Electric Motor

Power and Control Electronics









Strategic Partner:







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