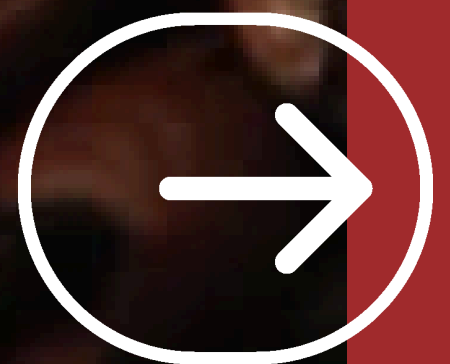


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CAN YOU HELP UCC TRANSITION THEIR ROASTERY TO HYDROGEN?

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And do you want to earn a **new client** and an **all-expenses paid trip to the World Expo in Japan** while you're at it?

JAPANESE - FRISIAN FIRM UCC CURRENTLY ROAST THEIR COFFEE WITH NATURAL GAS

In order to continue to produce their delicious coffee through the **sustainable transition**, UCC wants to transition their roaster to **run on both hydrogen and natural gas**.

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STEP ONE: A ROASTER COMPATIBLE WITH BOTH NATURAL GAS AND HYDROGEN

The roaster to be converted can handle batches of 350kg at a time and consumes over 500,000 m³/year of natural gas in a primary roaster and an afterburner. The air temperature gets to 340°C in the primary roaster and 400°C in the afterburner.

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STEP TWO: THE TRANSITION TO HYDROGEN

At first, hydrogen will be used for **testing the technology** and **gaining experience** using hydrogen as a fuel. As the **price of hydrogen becomes competitive** with that of natural gas, a long-term fuel transition will be made.

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AN EXTRA CHALLENGE: YOU'LL HAVE TO BE SPEEDY

The largest roaster is a very **important link in the current production capacity**. Because of this, part of the challenge is to have as **little loss in production as possible** during the modifications. This requires **very good preparation, preliminary work and preliminary research** to keep the conversion within the regular schedule as much as possible during major maintenance. **The goal is to complete the conversion within 3 days.**

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WHAT'S IN IT FOR YOU? A NEW CLIENT AND A WORLD STAGE

The **TopDutch Innovation Challenge** is bringing together Dutch and Japanese firms as part of the Netherlands' **Road2Osaka** preparations.

The party offering the best solution for UCC will **win the tender to carry out the conversion.**

In addition, the winner will go together with UCC and NOM to the **World Expo in Osaka, Japan** in September 2025. There, they will present the innovation together.

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