

A poem with great energy!

At the start of the Hannover conference on the development of hydrogen economy, poetry slammer Tobias Kunze set the scene. He recited the words and gave them a certain weight which one really should hear 'live'. You can try for yourself by reading the poem below, of course with the consent of Tobias.

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Welcome to lower Saxony
Where the land is so flat that people can
see
At morning who will come for dinner
So this horizon is already a winner!

We can see into the future.
Our guests can, too –
And I like what I hear and they stake in to
bring here
So we like to prove hospitality to you.

What a great combi-nation
Of four different regions
The Netherlands and Sweden
Including Scotland. To be even!

It fills my heart with enthusiasm
We together are on a mission
For transition instead of competition
as well as decommission!

Let us dare to collaborate
Elaborately dedicated
Sharing of knowledge
And caring for change!

We (Germans) have a saying for staying
apart
Individually, which isn't that smart
"everybody is cooking his own soup"
means working separately instead as a
group!

This is what we've done for really too
long
And every nation can sing a song
Of separation and isolation
Instead of cooperation and integration...

Long ago there even was a time
when we fought each other
For land, ideology or just any dime
And we didn't consider us sister and
brother

We had quarrels and battles,
wars and sieges
With a lot of teaches
Which were seldomly long-lasting

Only after most devastating times
We found common sense and even a
vow
Opting for unifying forces of pacifism
And created peace for the future and
now

So the world can see
That the word "Europe"
Can also mean
Your Hope!

But it's a bit ironic to say
– sorry for not being charming
– since the Cold War is over
We of all things fight global warming...

Which after each terror
Of pain, sorrow, hunger and war
might be humanity's most actual error
And it's biggest challenge so far

But what could happen if energy
Is conducted into synergy
The effects of creativity
Lets bloom peaks of productivity

Working for the greater cause
Operating open source

Means you don't need to purchase all
and still get reimbursed so well!

Instead of competition

We follow intuition

To create best practice

In Hydrogen Investment –

In a globalized world

This collaboration can be helpful

To make wonders work

successful...

See: Hydrogen is created by fusion

Of little particles to an atom

It might not be very stable

And lusting for reaction

That means: interaction!

– a molecule of solitude

Makes instead of a solid fluid

A very potent fuel!

Powerful, green coloured and cool!

So let's harvest this irregular power
in a regulated way!

Fuel our ideas – not only to stay

But to grow with it. And create

A future with less or even free
of CO2 emissions

Nurture this future's neutrality

With benefitting decisions

Faster progress

And efforts for better process

Growth for both and all sides success
across the borders...

Why is it so important

To work together more close?

Because I know two persons

From afar knowing more about growth...

(STORY TIME:)

Somewhere, somewhen in the universe

Two friends meet who were long

dispersed

“How is earth?”

“Which earth?”

“The one you last saw”

“Well, let's say it had one or two flaws...”

“So you've been there and you didn't like
it?”

“Hmmm... it's difficult, how to describe
it...”

Most places were dirty, full of people
and cars

Buildings, pollution... 2 out of 5 stars”

“Really? You didn't enjoy even bits of its
beauty?”

“Nah, I was busy, you know our duty...”

“So it didn't please you what you
couldn't seize...”

But what about nature, the forests and
seas?”

“Wherever I sat, taking time for my work

Sooner or later a humanoid jerk

Popped up and disclaimed this place as
his own

In the name of a crown, bank, state or a
throne

And under the trees started sounds of
cutting

Hammering tinkering paving,
constructing

Finally: entrance of so called engines

There was no defences against such
vengeance

Sounds of motors, machines,
exploitation

clouds of smoke, the floor was shaking

Nature was facing kinda annihilation

They called it creation in the name of a
nation

In fact it was exponential devastation

And I tell ya, they left nothing untouched

Their constructions were crushing
whatever they clutched

Finally they waged war and destruction
Over sustainability and reproduction...”

“But what about nature and what about climate?”

“There was kinda contract but they didn’t sign it
And I have to state at a certain point
It was too late they had it already coined...”

“But didn’t they at least believed
In something like peace, understanding, relief?”

“Yes they had, sometimes up to a pact
Only, disconnected from every fact
It appeared to stay vague and too abstract
Even for themselves they showed no respect

also there was a huge gap amid
their self-image and what they did
Hope was so little despair so large
I had to do something as I was in charge.”

“And what did you do as you were in control?”

“I enrolled the scroll of the earth
protocol
As soon as the planet was contaminated
I ended it. Switch! And it was terminated”

“Okay, I see you did it nice and clean
And what did you do with the time

machine?”

“Uhm yeah I thought time paradoxes
should be avoided
So I went ... and destroyed it.
But hush, I tell you a secret
I pushed reset after I had earth deleted”

“Oh nice, eternal reset mode
So it can grow again with a better code
How great you’re making a stance
Giving the planet another chance...

But what will you do if it all stays the same?
This Egocentrism is hard to tame...”

“Yes. I thought about that indeed.
A direct messenger is what they need.
So this time I try and tell ’em on stage
It is time to engage for earth to save

We only have one. So try and behave
Have faith and commitment, just be brave
Crave and change for the better,
Like hydrogen is clean
All around and in between –
no matter if Hannover, Skoane, Drenthe
or Aberdeen”

I hope this text was mostly correct
I wish all of you lots of success
Not only for the next
Two days but instead
For all your future exchange and projects
Reinvest in hope — ready – set – g