Perspectives for Biogas within the EU

Future of Biogas Europe 2017
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EBA - 26 countries - 37 National Organisations 56 Companies - representing >7,000 stakeholders





What does EBA stand for?

Biogas and biomethane – the products of efficient and sustainable use of resources

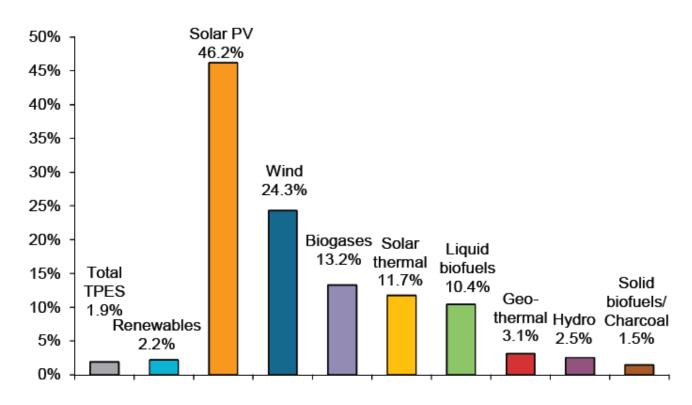
EBA is convinced that biogas has the potential to contribute at least 1.5% of the EU's primary energy mix and 5% of the EU's natural gas consumption (in energy equivalent terms) by 2020.

EBA is convinced that by 2030 the overall potential for biogas production from anaerobic digestion of at least 30 billion m³/year. Taken together with thermal biomass gasification, a estimate for the total production of biomethane is 50 billion m³ per year. By 2030, the industry could produce renewable energy equivalent to approximately 10% of EU's current natural gas consumption, for use for electricity generation, heating/cooling and as a transportation fuel.



Biogas on the Rise

Annual growth rates of world renewables supply from 1990 to 2014



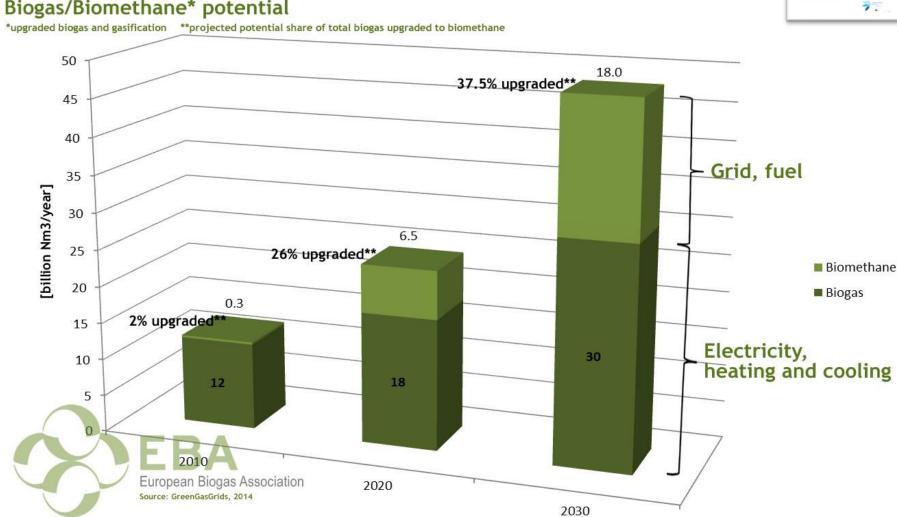
Source: IEA (International Energy Agency). "Renewables Information" 2016.



Biogas/Biomethane Potential (Anaerobic Digestion + Gasification)



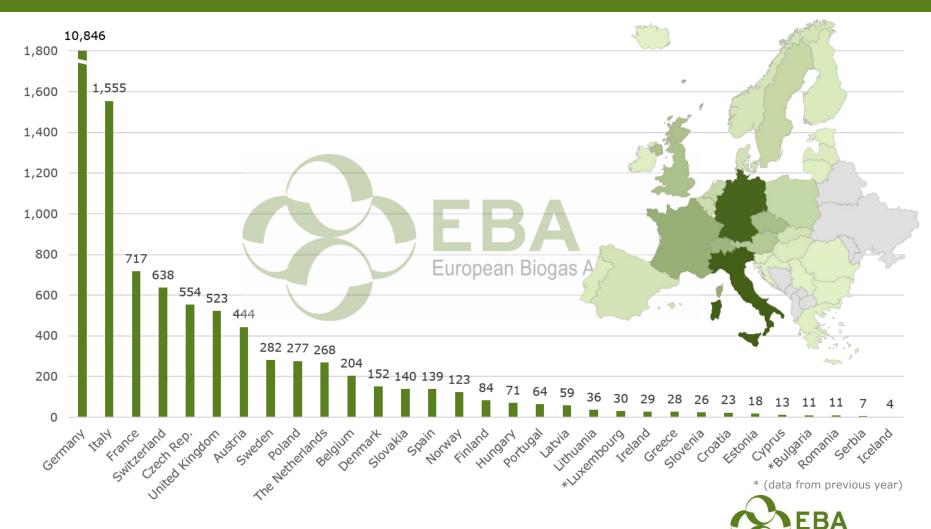
Biogas/Biomethane* potential



Evolution of the Number of Biogas Plants in Europe



Number of Biogas Plants in 2015



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Total number in 2015: 17,376

Evolution of the Number of Biomethane Plants in Europe



Distribution of the Biomethane Plants in 2015





ERGaR members

AT – AGCS Gas Clearing & Settlement AG

BE – European Biogas Association (EBA)

DE – German Energy Agency (dena)

Landwärme GmbH

DK - Energinet.dk

NGF Nature Energy

FR – Gas Réseau Distribution France (GrDF)

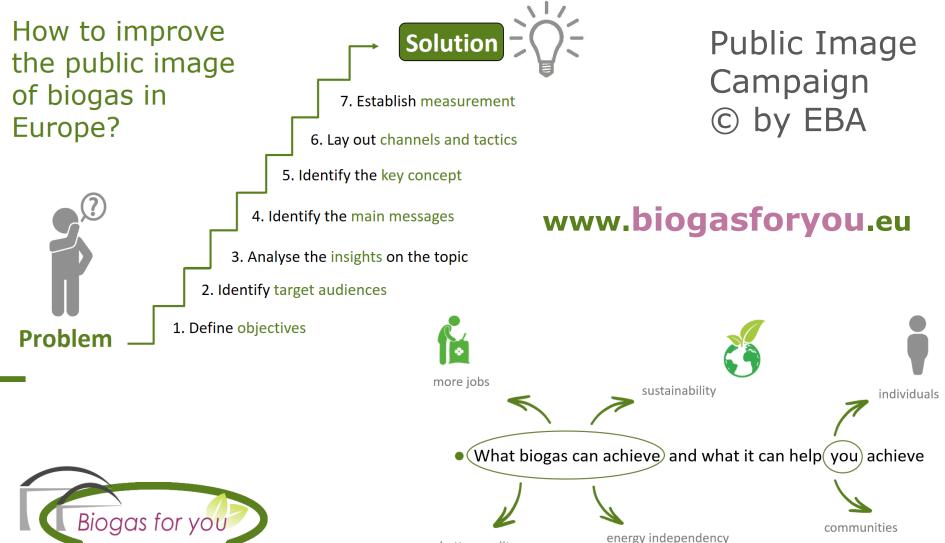
IT - Consorzio Italiano Biogas (CIB)

NL - STX Services B.V.

UK – Renewable Energy Assurance Ltd.(REAL)

CH – Swiss Association of Gas Industry (VSG)





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EU energy policies beyond 2020

- Commission published 30/11/16 "Clean Energy Package", a set of legislative proposals to overhaul the EU energy system
- Proposal to revise Renewable Energy Directive:
 - New 2030 EU-wide renewables target of 27%
 - Sustainability criteria in GHG savings for all biomass:
 - 70% transport by 2021;
 - 80% power & heat by 2021, raised to 85% by 2026
 - Exemptions for biogas plants under 500 kW_{el}
 - Renewable obligations for fuel suppliers:
 - In transport: supply 3.6% of sector with advanced biofuels
 - In heating: yearly increase renewables 1% from 2021-2030
- Proposal to revise Electricity Regulation:
 - Improve market conditions for flexible generation
 - ullet Remove priority dispatch for biogas over 500 kW $_{
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Thank you!

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