European Biogas Association

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Biogas Networks

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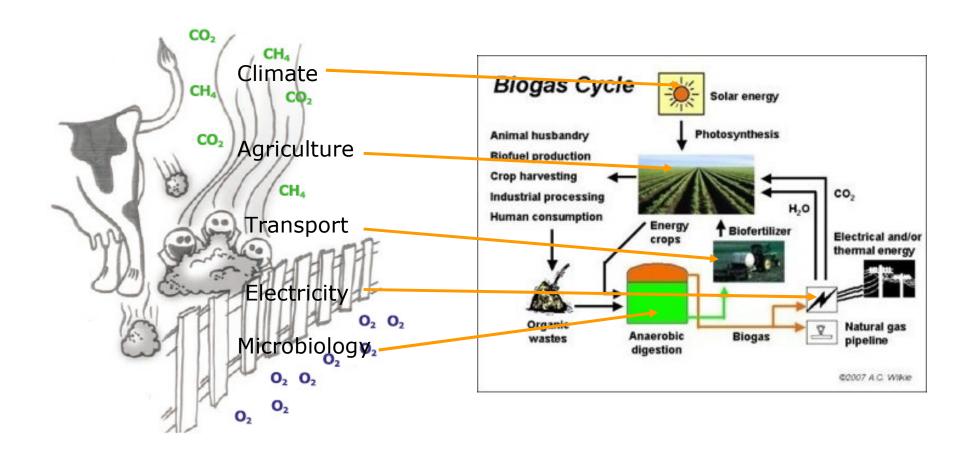
The European Biogas Association

Founded in 2009

21 countries – 22 national Organisations – 13 companies and research institutes



What is Biogas?





What is Biogas used for?

1. Production of Electricity



Why Electricity?

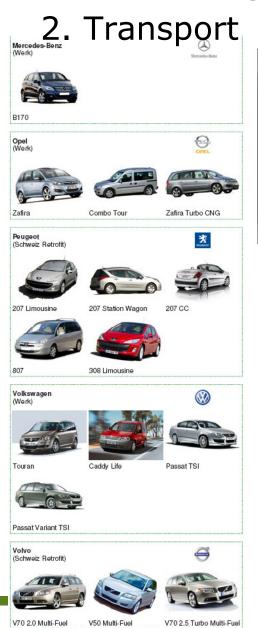
- Efficiency can be high:
 - 30 to 42% electric
 - 30 to 55% heat
- Electricity grids are available "everywhere"
- Cost of connection is reasonnable
- Biogas is storable on a daily basis

but

- I some countries the local grid is not strong enough
- If heat can not be used, it is a poor solution



What is Biogas used for?





Why fuel?

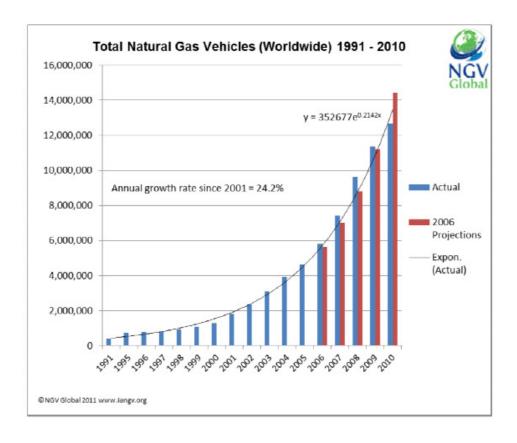
- Biomethane has very low emissions
- Car engines are less noisy
- No distribution infrastructure needed, grids are available
- Biomethane can be blended at any ratio with natural gas
- For long distance transport LBG/LNG is available

but

- There are not enough fuelling stations available
- Efficiency of cars has to be improved



Gas vehicles are widespread



NGV REGIONAL GROWTH SINCE 2001

	Average % NGV
Region	Growth since 2001
ASIA-PACIFIC	42.1%
EUROPE	14.1%
NTH AMERICA	-0.1%
LATIN AMERICA	18.2%
AFRICA	15.3%
ALL COUNTRIES	24.2%

NGV POPULATION: TOP TEN COUNTRIES

	NGV Fopulation	% all NGVs in
COUNTRY		world
Pakistan	2,740,000	21.6%
Iran	1,954,925	15.4%
Argentina	1,901,116	15.0%
Brazil	1,664,847	13.1%
India	1,080,000	8.5%
Italy	730,000	5.8%
China	450,000	3.6%
Colombia	340,000	2.7%
Thailand	218,459	1.7%
Ukraine	200,000	1.6%

NGV Population



What is the electricity production and the potential?

According to the Biogas Barometer 2009:

• Production of gas: 8.3 Mtoe

Production of electricity: 25.2 TWh

According to EREC (2050)

• Potential of electricity: 496 TWh (total biomass)

plus heat



What is the Biomethane production and potential?

According to NREAPs 2010:

• Production of gas: 8.3 Mtoe

• Production of biomethane: 0.2 Mtoe

According to DBFZ (2050)

Potential of biomethane: 20 Mtoe (from biogas)

8 Mtoe (from wood waste)

Corresponds to approx. 10% of todays road transport



Europe's natural gas grid

