

# Overview on biogas and biomethane markets in Eastern Europe

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#### **WIP Renewable Energies**

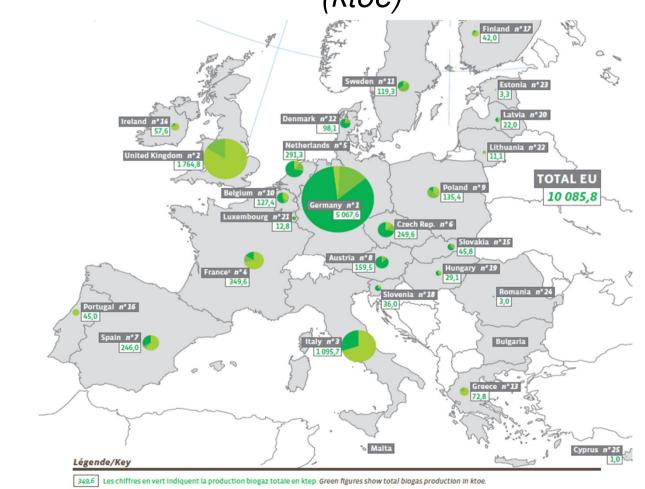
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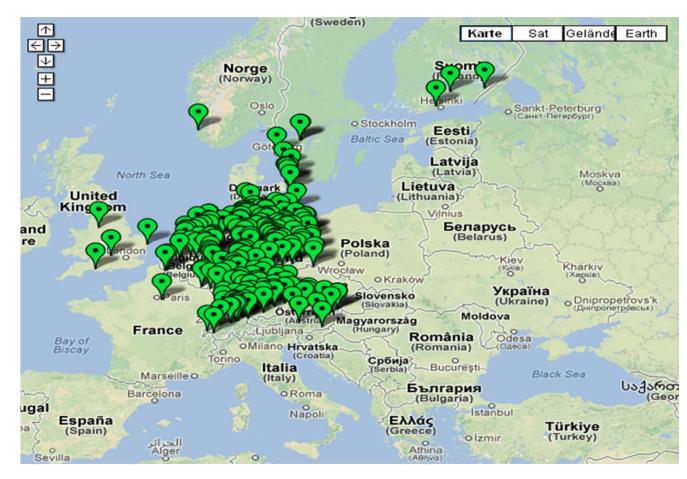
## Primary energy production of biogas in the EU in 2011 (ktoe)



Source: EurObserv'ER Biogas Barometer 2012



#### Development of biomethane market in Europe



Source: DENA 2013 www.biogaspartner.de



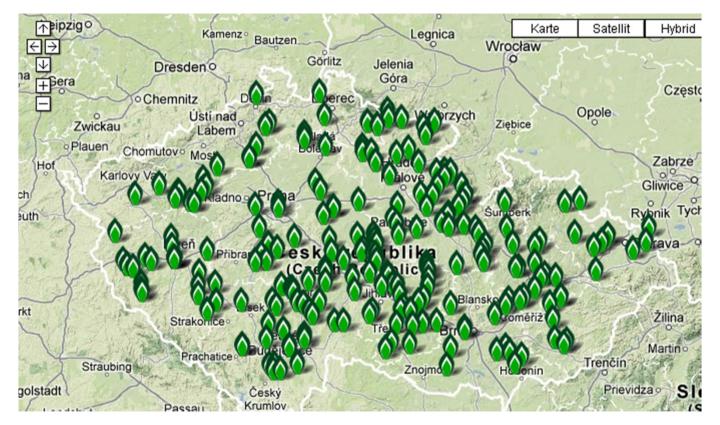
#### **Czech Republic**





#### Biogas market in Czech Republic

✓250 agricultural biogas plants in Czech Republic



Source: Czech Biogas Association (CZBA)



#### Renewable Energy Act in Czech Republic

Until 2013 the support for biogas in the Czech Republic was based on the Renewable Energy Act 180/2005 and accomplished in three steps including:

 $\checkmark$  priority grid connection (up to the grid capacity enabling safe and continuous grid operation)

 $\checkmark$  fixed connection fee, based on the installed power

 $\checkmark$  'feed-in tariffs' and 'green bonuses'



#### Feed-in tariffs in Czech Republic

✓ In January 2013 new support scheme came into force

✓The feed in tariffs were removed for all renewable energy facilities above 100kW (incl. biogas plants). Instead Green Bonus was introduced (a premium paid on top of electricity commodity price)

> 550 kW: 2490 CZK/ MWh (99.6 Euro) < 550 kW: 1980 CZK/ MWh (79.2 Euro)

✓ 2020 targets will be met already in 2013

✓,Biomethane could be worse in the long term than solar power' – official statement of Energy Regulatory Office (ERÚ) director Alena Vitásková



#### Biomethane potential in Czech Republic





#### Biomethane potential in Czech Republic

 ✓ Total expected agricultural biomethane potential is 1 billion m<sup>3</sup> (10 000 GWh of energy and 12% of the entire annual natural gas consumption)

 $\checkmark$  Additional biomethane production potential represents biowaste processing and digestion.

✓ The predicted amounts of biowaste (850 000 tons) directed to biogas production may put additional 600 GWh of energy in biomethane



#### Poland





#### Biogas market in Poland

✓The are currently around 30 agricultural biogas plants operating in Poland. The fermentation substrates are slurry, food waste and maize silage





#### Biogas potential in Poland

✓Theoretical annual biogas potential

Cattle slurry	2,581 million m <sup>3</sup>
Poultry manure	717 million m <sup>3</sup>
Maize (after seed harvest)	1,044 million m <sup>3</sup>
Municipal waste bio-fraction	100 million m <sup>3</sup>

 ✓ By 2020 there should be on average one biogas plant in every community (NREAP)



#### Renewable Energy Act in Poland

✓The new Renewable Energy Sources Act will introduce feed-in tariffs for the first time. The Law will be reviewed every 3 years

✓The law will enter into force in late 2013 or early 2014

✓New renewable target (15.5% by 2020) for share of energy from renewable sources in gross final consumption of energy from RES was introduced (previously 15%)



#### New feed in tariffs in Poland

✓ Feed in tariff for micro and small agricultural biogas plants
< 40 kW - 0,70 PLN/kWh (0,16 EUR/kWh)</li>
40 kW - 200 kW - 0,65 PLN/kWh (0,15 EUR/kWh)
> 200 kW - current certificate system

✓ Landfill gas plants < 200 kW - 0,55 PLN/kWh (0,13 EUR/kWh)

✓ Biogas plants running on sewage sludge substrate
< 200 kW - 0,45 PLN/kWh (0,10 EUR/kWh)</li>



#### **Biomethane in Poland**

✓Biomethane production is not yet recognized as an attractive clean technology in the legislation

'Using bio-CNG in transport is unfeasible due to technical and economic reasons' (NREAP) -> Biomethane not included in the 2020 targets

 $\checkmark$ Quality parameters of natural gas have been set in two standards:

- PN-C-04752:2002 – Natural gas. Quality of gas in transmission network
- PN-C-04753:2002 – Natural gas. Quality of gas supplied to consumers from distribution network



#### Romania





#### Biogas market in Romania

✓ Biogas market is still emerging, there are some plants mainly integrated into waste water treatment plants for treating sewage sludge

✓There is one policy enhancing the development of RES-H infrastructure. Other policies for developing, installing, and using RES installations are not in place

✓ Energy policy does not define biogas as a priority source of energy. Biogas sector is rather defined as an environmental sector and not as an energy production sector



#### Biogas promotion in Romania

✓ Renewable energy sources are mainly promoted by a quota system

 $\checkmark$  At present, there are no specific measures promoting the production and use of biogas

 $\checkmark$  Biogas is supported by the following laws

Law 220/2008 on the establishment of the system for the promotion of energy production from RES

GD 750/2008 for the approval of the Regional State aid scheme on the use of renewable energy resources



#### Biomethane in Romania

 $\checkmark$  There are no technical rules on the grid connection and connection tariffs for biomethane

✓On 16 July 2012 the new Electricity and Natural Gas Law 123/2012 was adopted in Romania and will come into force in March 2013 (Equal treatment of biogas and natural)

✓Corresponding regulations together with implementation rules on the quality of biomethane should be drafted by the responsible authority (ANRE)



#### Bulgaria





#### Biogas in Bulgaria

✓ No operating agricultural biogas plants yet

✓No refuelling stations with biomethane or biomethane mixture with other fuels

✓The first Renewable Energy Law was issued in 2011



#### Biogas potential in Bulgaria

✓In total biogas potential is estimated 24,923 GWh (Source: Project Big>East)

Agricultural waste	333,082 m³ 10 <sup>4</sup>
Food industry waste	7,466 m³ 104
Organic solid waste	72,323 m³ 104
Sewage sludge	2,509 m³ 10 <sup>4</sup>



#### **RES** support in Bulgaria

 ✓ Renewable Energy Action Plan was not accepted by the European Commission (resubmission followed; no improvements for biogas introduced)

 $\checkmark$  The policy makers agree that the country has substantial forest resources and well-developed agriculture - sources both of solid biomass, biogas and biofuels

 $\checkmark$  Supporting legal framework is missing and the interest from the policy makers is very low



#### New feed in tariff in Bulgaria

✓ On 29 June 2012 the Bulgarian State Regulatory Energy and Water Commission announced the new feed-in tariff for electricity generated from renewable energy sources (115-129 EUR/MWh)

✓ Available capacity for connection of renewable energy projects to the grid for the period July 2012 to July 2013



#### **Biogas projects**



www.biogasin.org

www.big-east.eu



www.urbanbiogas.eu



www.urbanbiogas.eu

www.biogasheat.org



#### Biogas project Urban Biogas



✓ Urban waste for biomethane grid injection and transport in urban areas

#### ✓Target cities:

City of Zagreb (Croatia) City of Graz (Austria) Municipality of Abrantes (Portugal) City of Rzeszów (Poland) City of Valmiera (Latvia)





#### Biogas project Big>East



✓ Promotion of the production and use of biogas as a secure and sustainable energy source in six target countries of Eastern and Southern Europe

✓ Bulgaria, Croatia, Latvia, Romania, Slovenia and Greece

✓ Duration: 2007-2010

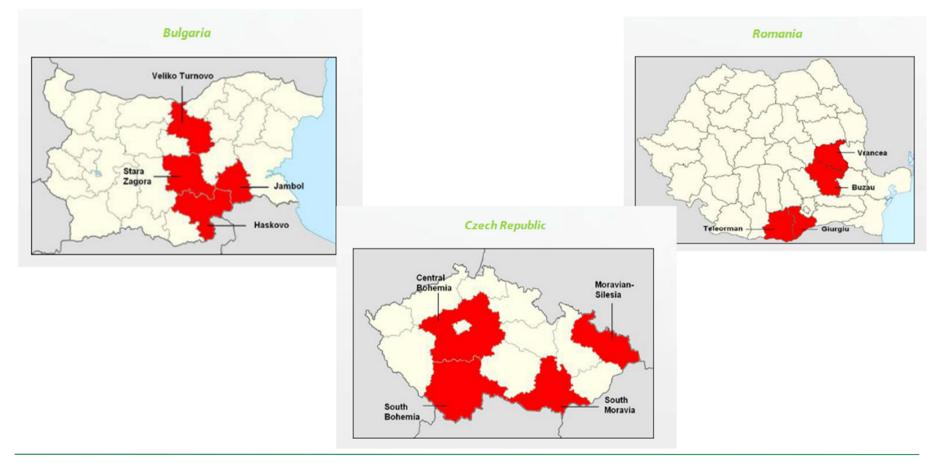
✓ Main outcomes: studies on biogas potential & barriers, training handbook, courses for farmers, mobilization campaigns, technical study tours, show cases



#### Biogas project BiogasIN



✓ Sustainable biogas market development in Central and Eastern Europe





### Biogas project BiogasHeat

✓ Sustainable use of heat from the existing and future biogas plants in Europe

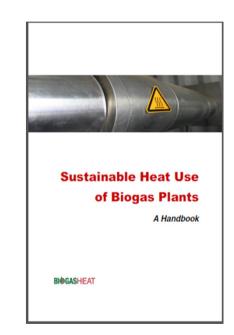
✓ Project duration : April 2012 – April 2015

✓ Enforcement of national and EU biogas heat use policy

✓ Demonstration of biogas heat use good practice examples

✓ Implementation of feasibility studies and field tests

✓ Giving support to real project implementation



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