



# **Biogas and biomethane markets in Eastern Europe**

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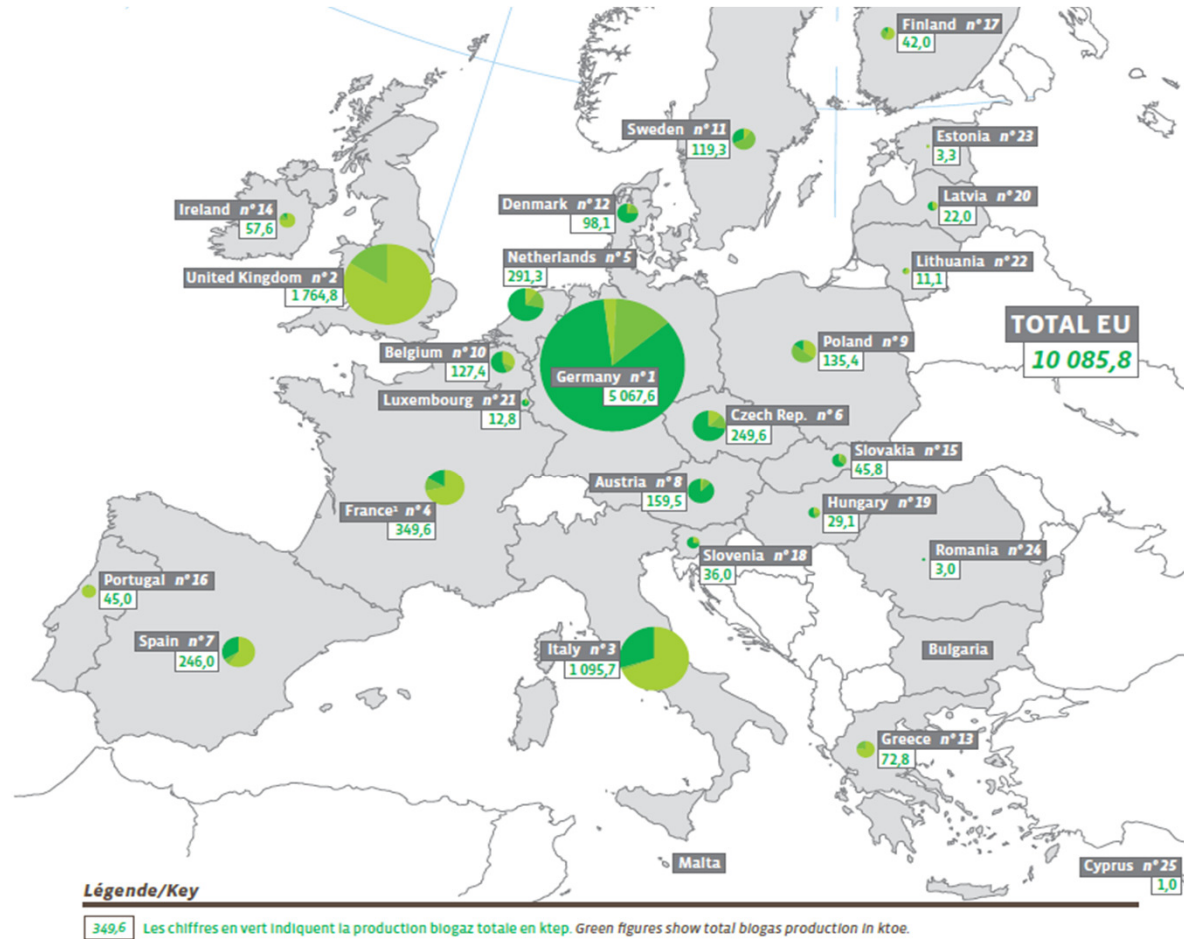
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## Primary energy production of biogas in the EU in 2011 (ktoe)

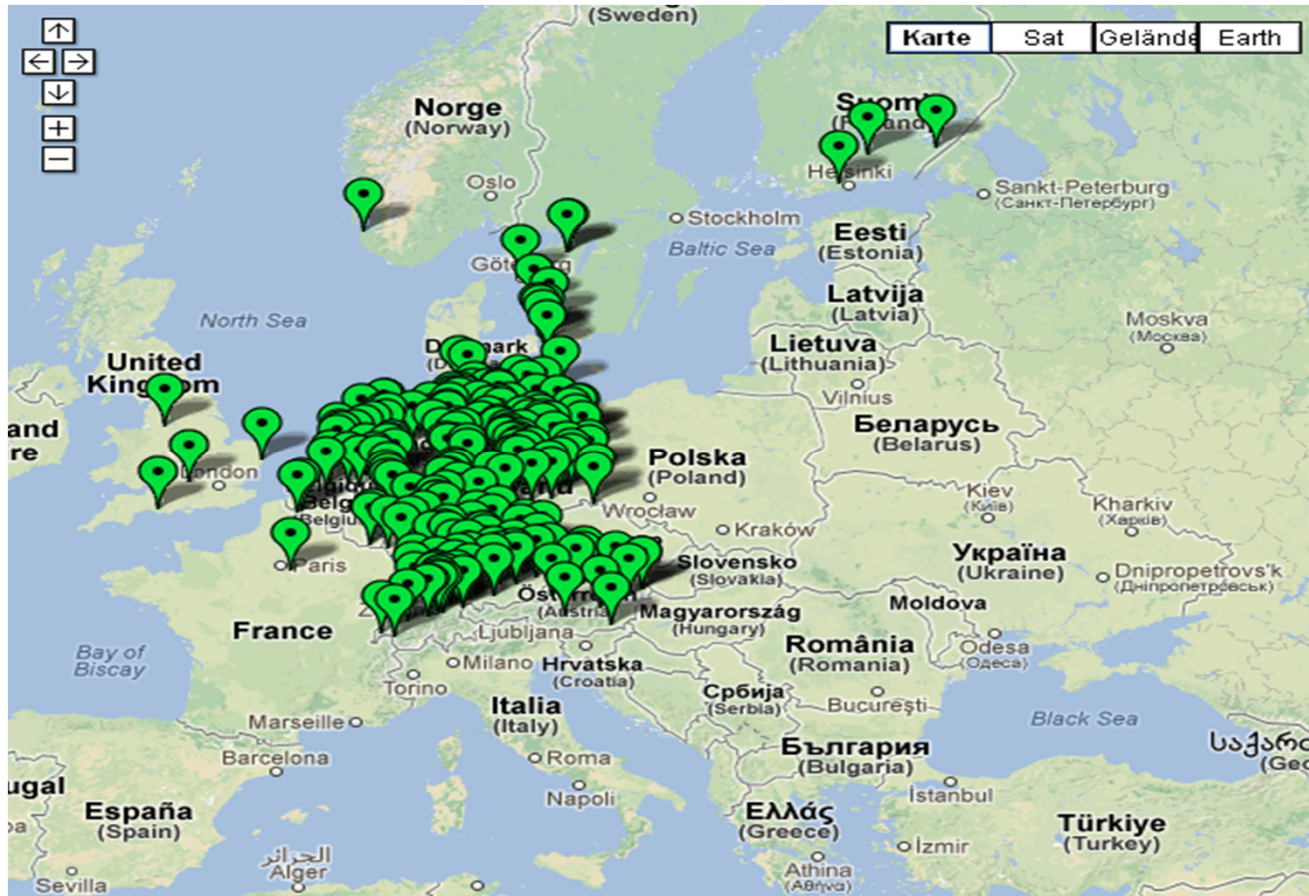


Source: EurObserv'ER  
Biogas Barometer 2012





# Development of biomethane market in Europe



Source: DENA 2013 [www.biogaspartner.de](http://www.biogaspartner.de)



# Czech Republic

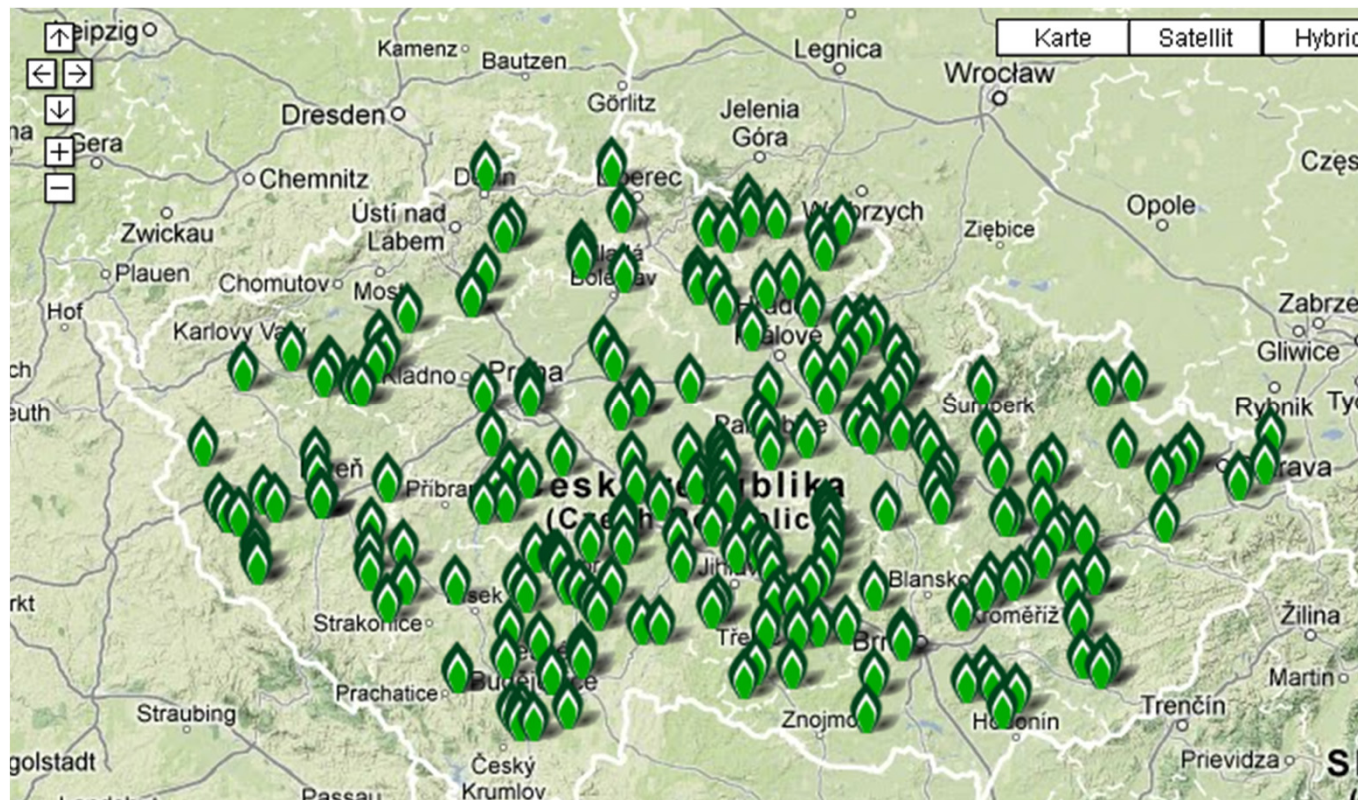






# Biogas market in Czech Republic

✓ 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:

- ✓ priority grid connection (up to the grid capacity enabling safe and continuous grid operation)
  - ✓ fixed connection fee, based on the installed power
  - ✓ 'feed-in tariffs' and 'green bonuses'
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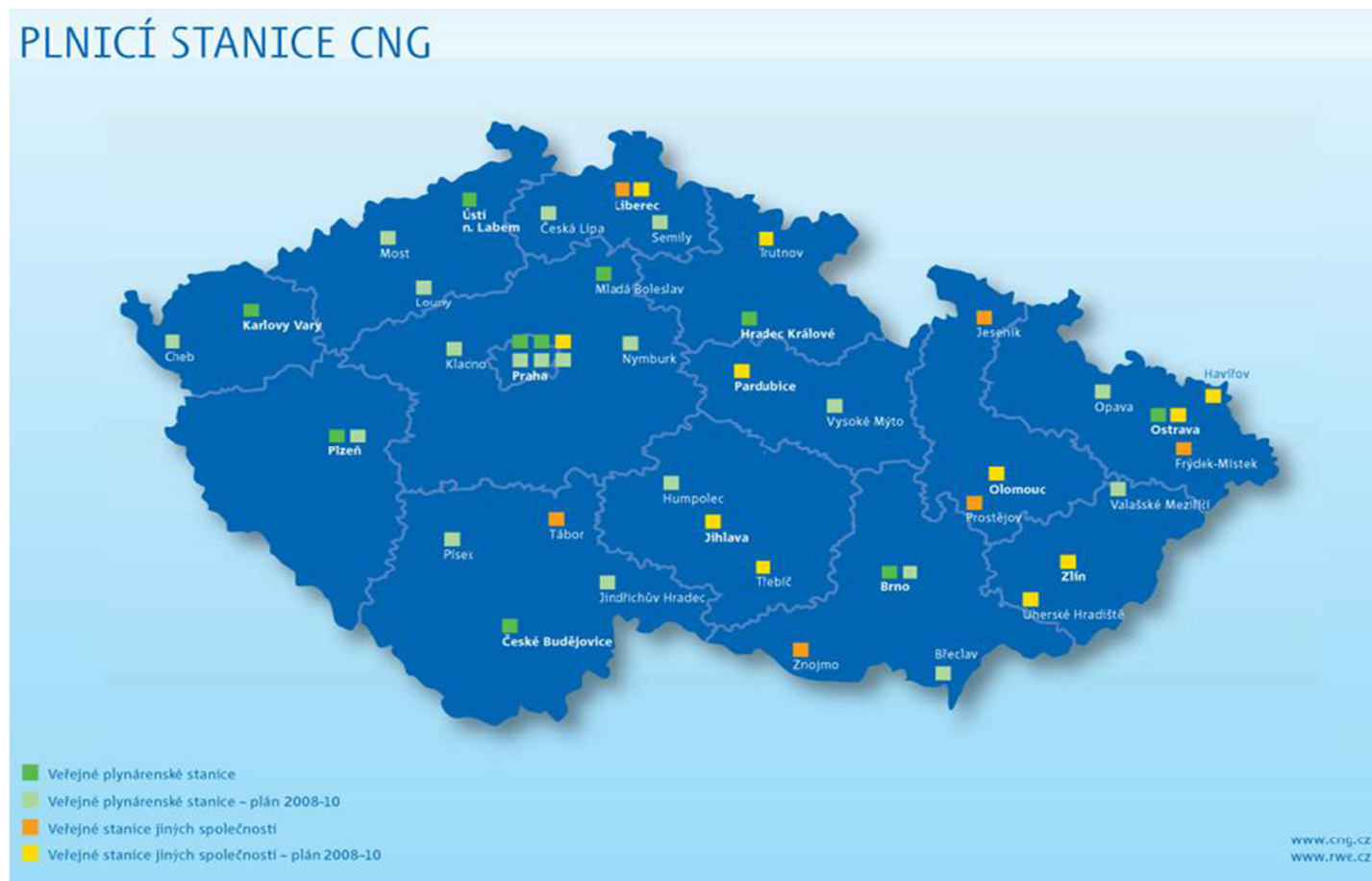


# Feed-in tariffs in Czech Republic

- ✓ 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
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# 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)
  - ✓ 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
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# Poland





# Biogas market in Poland

✓ There 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)

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# 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%)
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## 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)
    - 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)
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# 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

✓ 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
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# 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
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## Biogas promotion in Romania

- ✓ Renewable energy sources are mainly promoted by a quota system
- ✓ At present, there are no specific measures promoting the production and use of biogas
- ✓ 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*

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## Biomethane in Romania

- ✓ 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)
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# 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
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## Biogas potential in Bulgaria

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

Agricultural waste	333,082 m <sup>3</sup> 10 <sup>4</sup>
Food industry waste	7,466 m <sup>3</sup> 10 <sup>4</sup>
Organic solid waste	72,323 m <sup>3</sup> 10 <sup>4</sup>
Sewage sludge	2,509 m <sup>3</sup> 10 <sup>4</sup>

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## RES support in Bulgaria

- ✓ Renewable Energy Action Plan was not accepted by the European Commission (resubmission followed; no improvements for biogas introduced)
- ✓ The policy makers agree that the country has substantial forest resources and well-developed agriculture - sources both of solid biomass, biogas and biofuels
- ✓ 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.big-east.eu](http://www.big-east.eu)



[www.biogasin.org](http://www.biogasin.org)



[www.urbanbiogas.eu](http://www.urbanbiogas.eu)



[www.biogasheat.org](http://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
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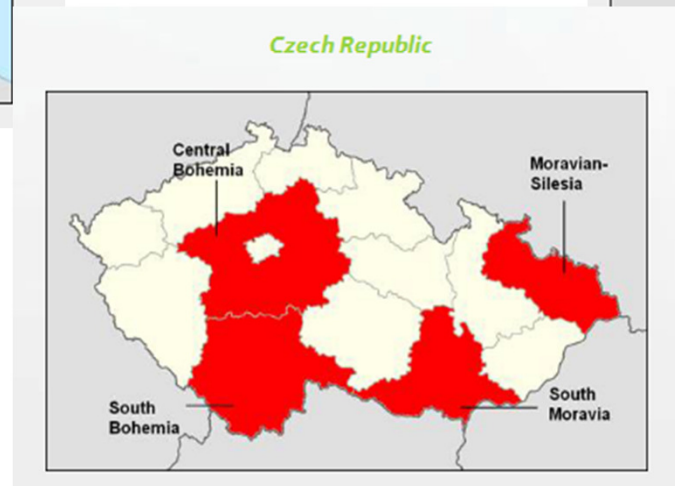




# Biogas project BiogasIN



✓ Sustainable biogas market development in Central and Eastern Europe

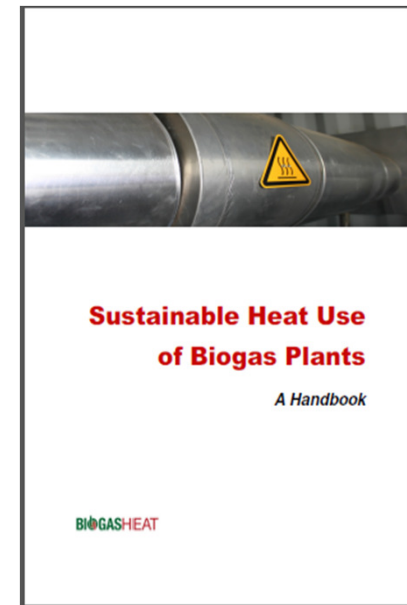




# Biogas project BiogasHeat

**BI**GAS**HEAT**

- ✓ 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





Thank You!

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