



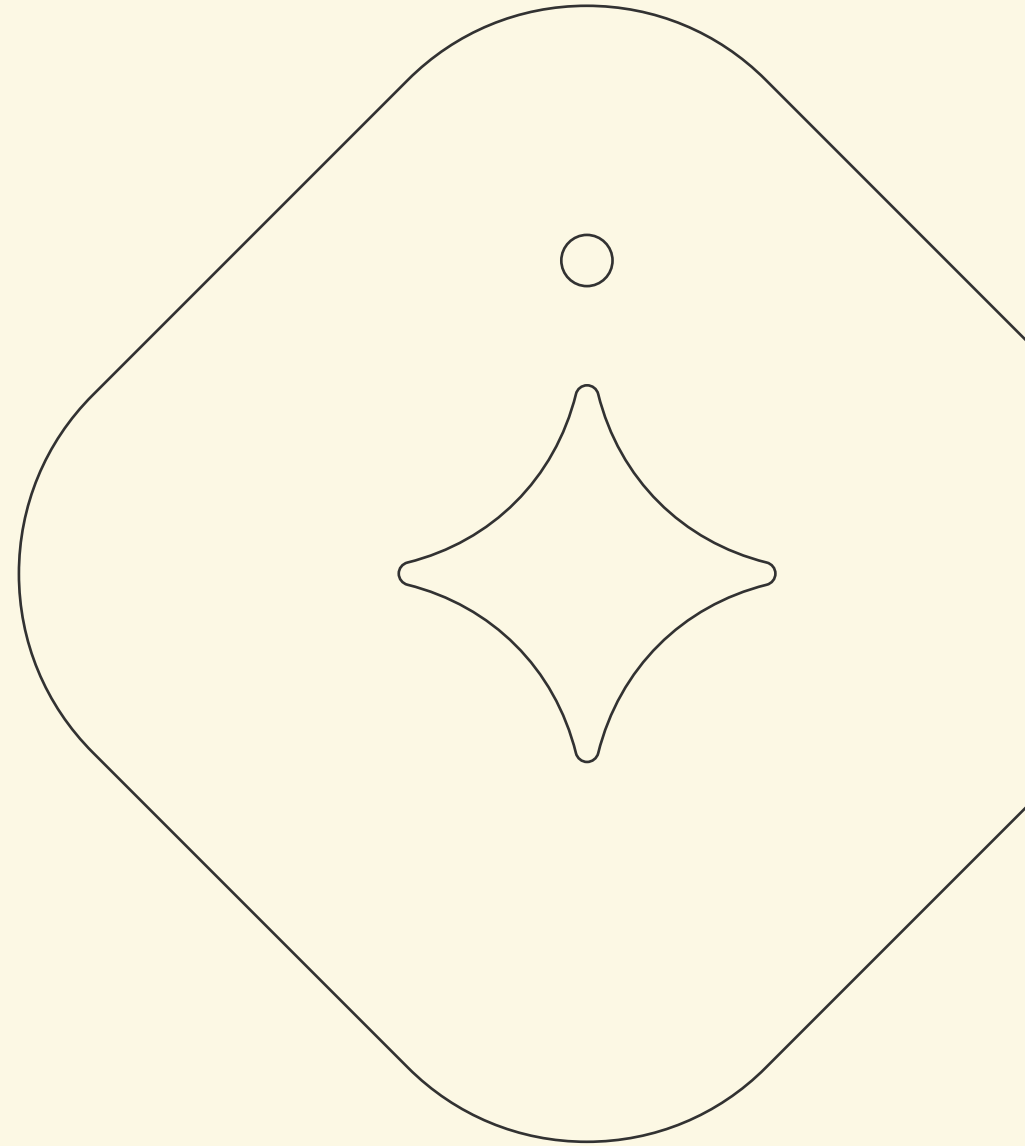
# Virtual Roundtable Sustainable Biofuels from Low-Producing Lands

The webinar will begin shortly.



**Mærsk Mc-Kinney Møller Center**  
for Zero Carbon Shipping

# Welcome & Introduction



# On Today's Agenda:

## 15:00 Welcome & introduction

Torben Nørgaard, MMMCZCS  
Roberta Cenni, MMMCZCS  
Gerard Ostheimer, CEM Biofuture Campaign

## 15:15 Expert presentations

Tiziana Pirelli, PhD. Tiziana Pirelli, PhD.  
FAO/GBEP - Coordinator of the Global Bioenergy  
Partnership

Giulia Gregori, Strategic Planning and Corporate  
Communication, Novamont

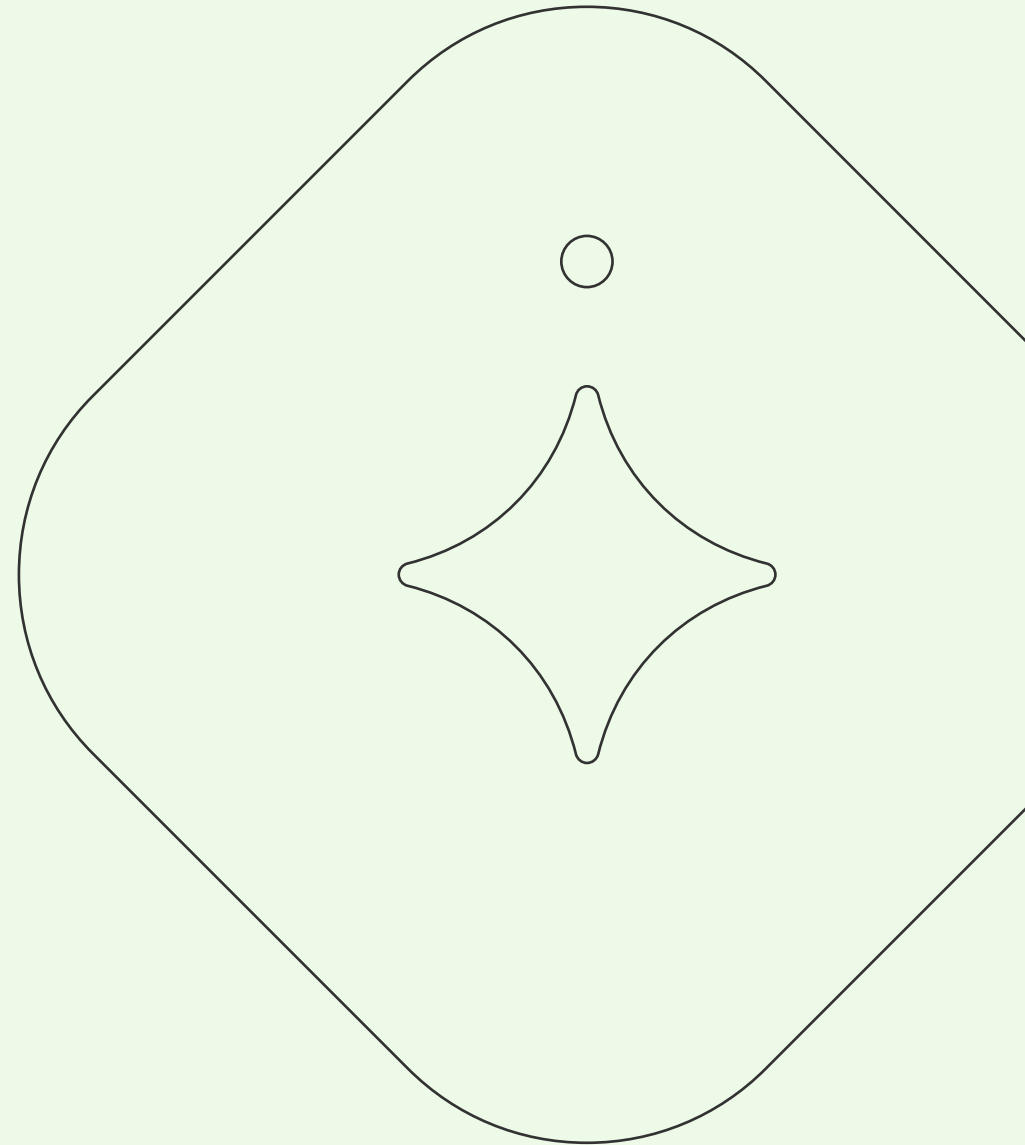
Blanca de Ulibarri, EU LCA Project Manager at RSB

## 15:45 Panel discussion & audience Q&A

Moderated by: Gerard J. Ostheimer, PhD, Manager, CEM Biofuture  
Campaign

## 16:20 Concluding remarks

## 16:30 Adjourn





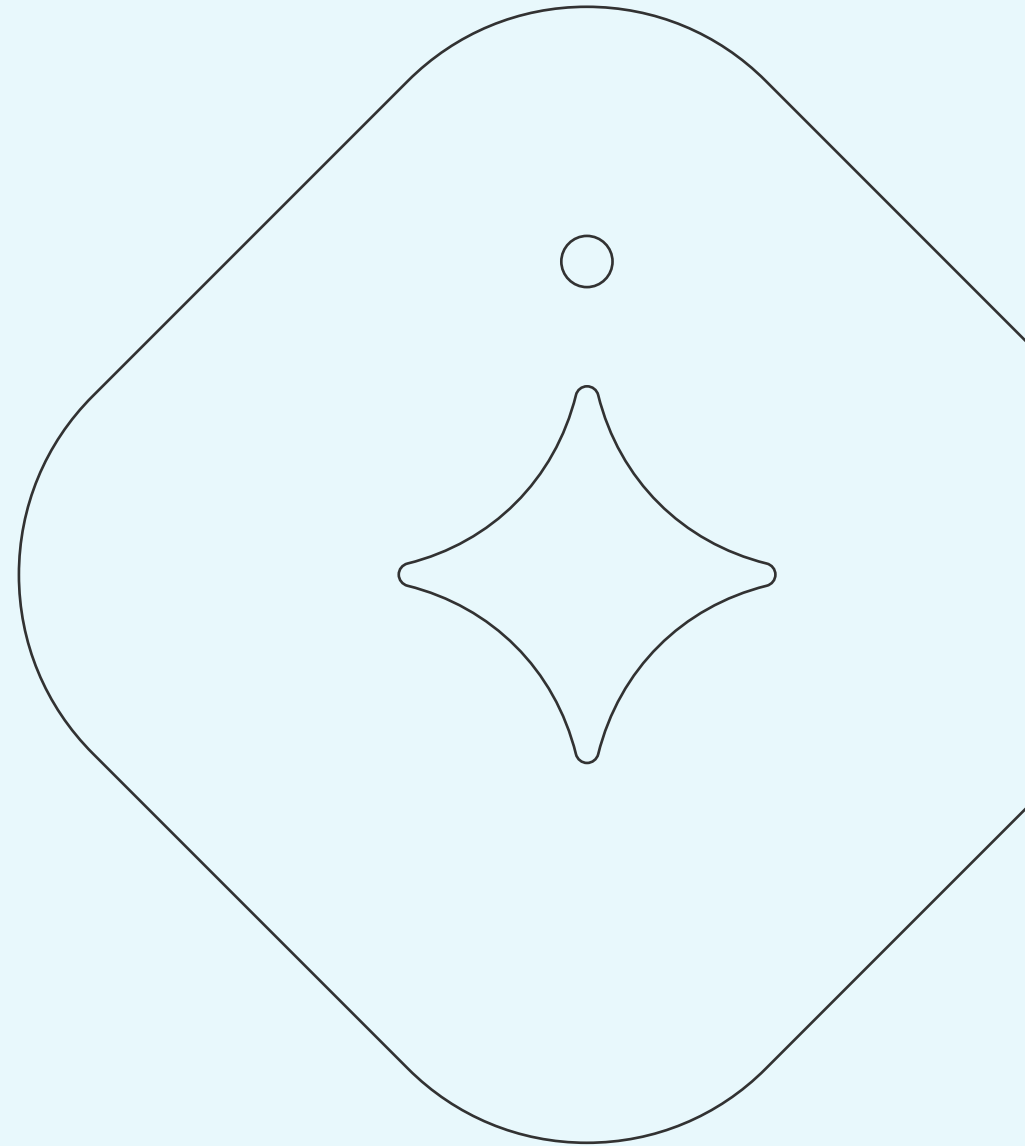
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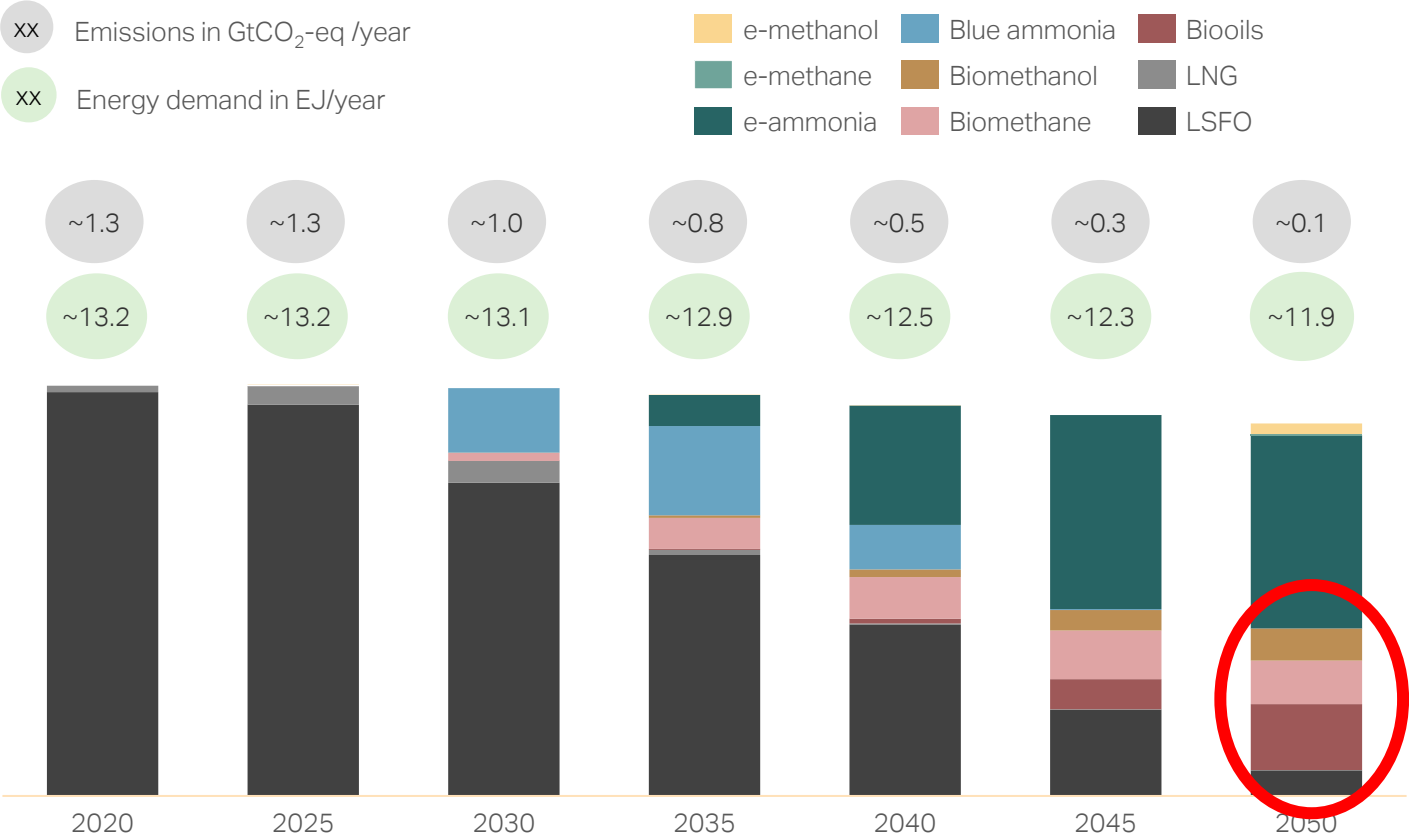
# Why are Low-Producing Lands a Topic for Shipping?

- 1) Demand on biomass for biofuels is higher than supply
- 2) EU regulations incentivize use of biomass from low-producing lands via RED II



# A zero-carbon future for shipping is most likely a multifuel future

Scenario: Activating all critical levers and introducing a flat global carbon levy of USD 230/tCO<sub>2</sub>-eq



- By 2030, biofuels may need to supply ~40% of the energy required by shipping (4-5 EJ)



# Results from former Biomass Availability studies published in these series of Webinars

Biomass demand is forecast to exceed biomass availability,  
H. Wenzel, SDU, 1<sup>st</sup> Webinar, June 2022

Biomass potential assessments are becoming less optimistic over time, E. Coleman, K. Daehn, F. Allroggen, MIT. 2<sup>nd</sup> webinar, December 2022

## Global biomass potentials

| Biomass potential (EJ/y)                           | Year of publication | Reference                                      |
|----------------------------------------------------|---------------------|------------------------------------------------|
| 160 – 270                                          | 2010                | Haberl et al. [8]                              |
| 100 – 300                                          | 2011                | Chum et al. [2] (IPCC Bioenergy working group) |
| ≤ 190                                              | 2013                | Haberl et al. [9]                              |
| ≈ 150                                              | 2017                | International Energy Agency [10]               |
| ≈ 100                                              | 2018                | IPCC [14]                                      |
| ≈ 100                                              | 2018                | Danish Climate Council [15]                    |
| Potential: 150 – 170<br>With a safety margin ≈ 100 | 2021                | International Energy Agency [16]               |
| 40 – 60                                            | 2021                | Energy Transition Commission [17]              |
| Residues: 5 – 50<br>Dedicated crops: 50 – 250      | 2022                | IPCC [27]                                      |

Consensus converging towards 100 EJ/y ≈ 10 GJ/cap/y by 2050

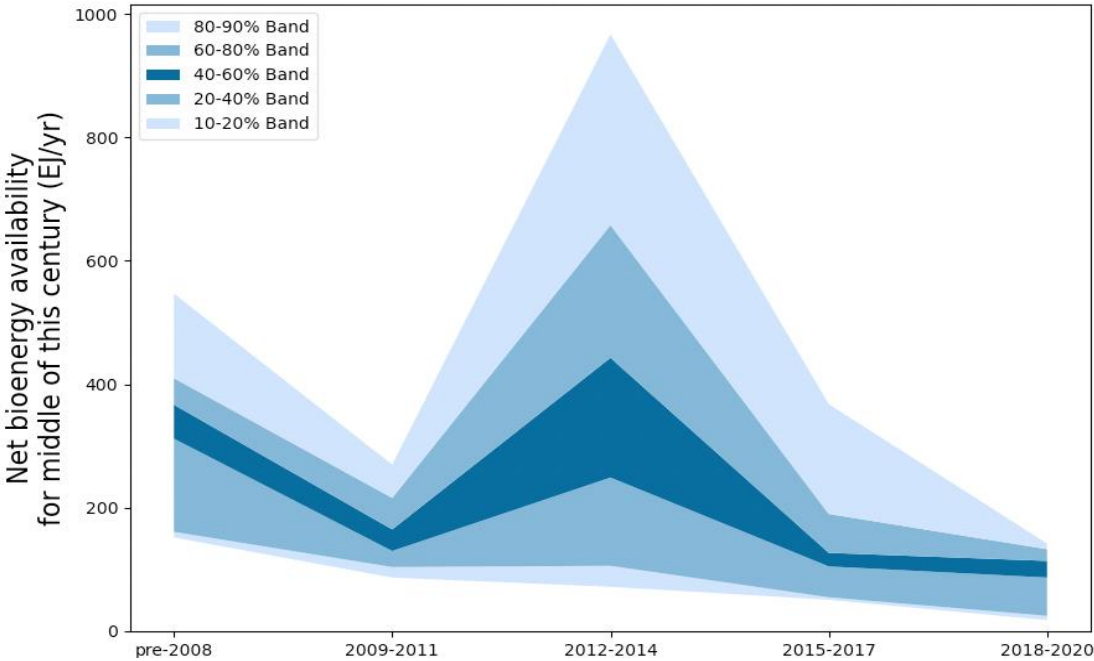
≈ 600 kg of straw...

### Global primary energy demand development

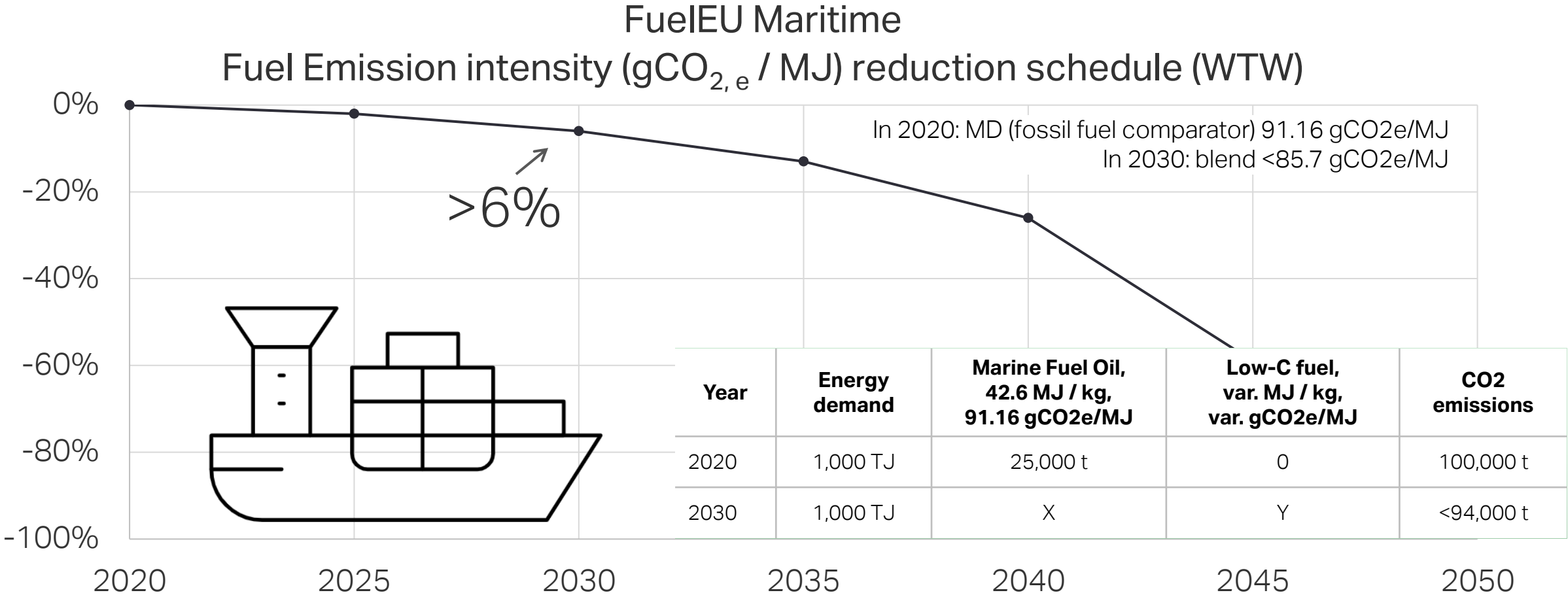
- 570 EJ/y (2015) – of which 470 EJ fossil
- BAU forecast 800 EJ/y by 2040 (IEA, 2018)
- BAU forecast 900 EJ/y by 2050 (WEC, 2013)
- ...including feedstock for all materials/chemicals and derived from biomass => above 1000 EJ/y



SDU



# Results from an MMMCZCS assessment of biofuel demand for compliance with FuelEU Maritime



# What does GHG emission intensity it mean for fuel demand?

Archetype fleet consumes 25,000 t / y (~1,000 TJ) and emits 100,000 t CO<sub>2e</sub>/y.

Alternatives to reduce emissions by 6%:

GHG emission intensity (gCO<sub>2e</sub> / MJ):

+28

-69

+18

-60

Bioenergy to 6% emission reduction,  
TJ/y

1060

100

80

60

40

20

0

Pathway 5

Pathway 3 with CCS

Pathway 9

Pathway 8 with CCS



Suppose the fuel is LBM: ~1,900 t / y  
~ 600 Nm3  
biogas / h

~ 770 t / y  
~ 250 Nm3  
biogas / h

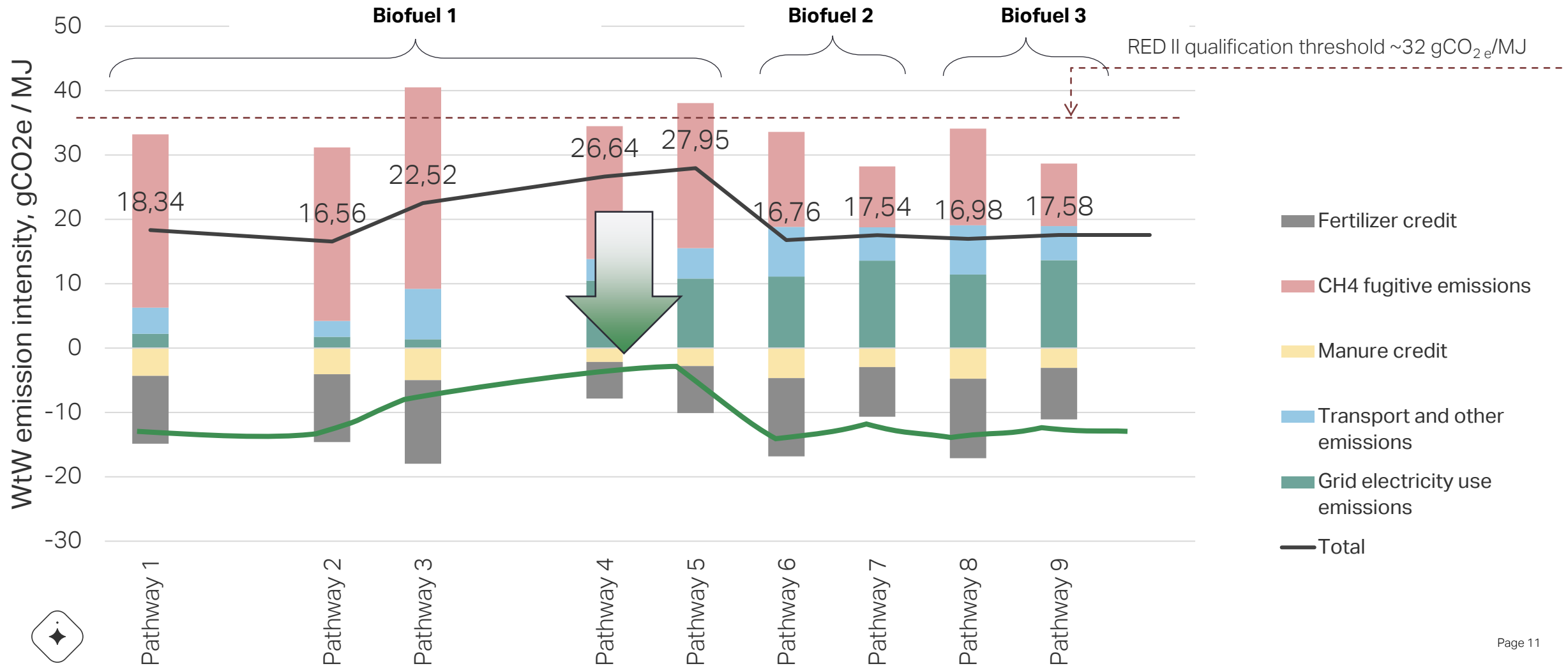
# Calculation of WTW GHG emission intensity:

Per RED II: components of a life cycle fuel emissions:  $\text{GHG}_{\text{WtW}} = \text{GHG}_{\text{WtT}} + \text{GHG}_{\text{TtW}}$

|                          |                                                                                                                                          |
|--------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>GHG<sub>WtT</sub></b> | Emissions associated with fuel manufacture / transport / bunker                                                                          |
| $E_{\text{feedstock}}$   | Emissions from feedstock preparation, includes dLUC                                                                                      |
| $E_{\text{transport}}$   | Emissions from transportation                                                                                                            |
| $E_{\text{Processing}}$  | Emissions associated with utilities consumed for processing (anaerobic digestion, upgrading, liquefaction, synthesis, compression, etc.) |
| $E_{\text{material}}$    | Emissions from consumables during processing                                                                                             |
| $E_{\text{fugitive}}$    | Methane emissions throughout                                                                                                             |
| $-E_{\text{manure}}$     | Credit due to avoided emissions for mismanagement of biogenic residues                                                                   |
| $-E_{\text{fertilizer}}$ | Credit due to avoided emissions from fertilization                                                                                       |
| $-E_{\text{CCS}}$        | Credit due to Carbon Capture and Sequestration                                                                                           |
| $-E_{\text{DL, SCA}}$    | Credit due to restoration of degraded land, and soil carbon accumulation                                                                 |
| <b>GHG<sub>TtW</sub></b> | Emissions associated with fuel combustion (methane only)                                                                                 |
| $E_{\text{fugitive}}$    | On-board methane emissions                                                                                                               |



# Restoration of *(certified)* degraded land can give value to biofuel users....



*\*\*Typical Frames\*\*: Typical fugitive emissions; Electrical power as in FR mix; Heat from Biogas; No export of excess heat, no CCS*

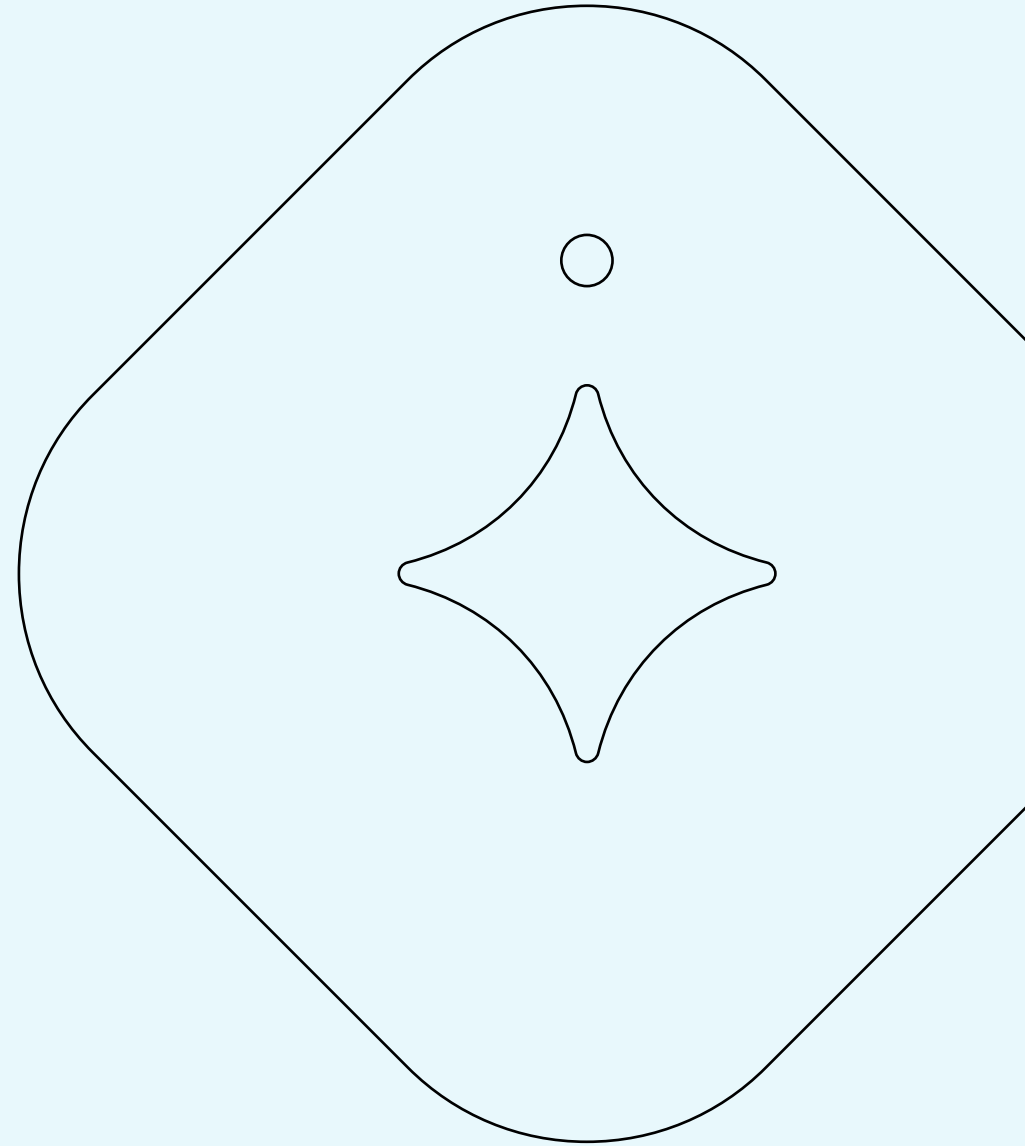
...because it “enhances food security, improved air and water quality, climate change resilience, job creation, and more...”

### SOUTH KOREA: RESTORATION INTO FORESTS

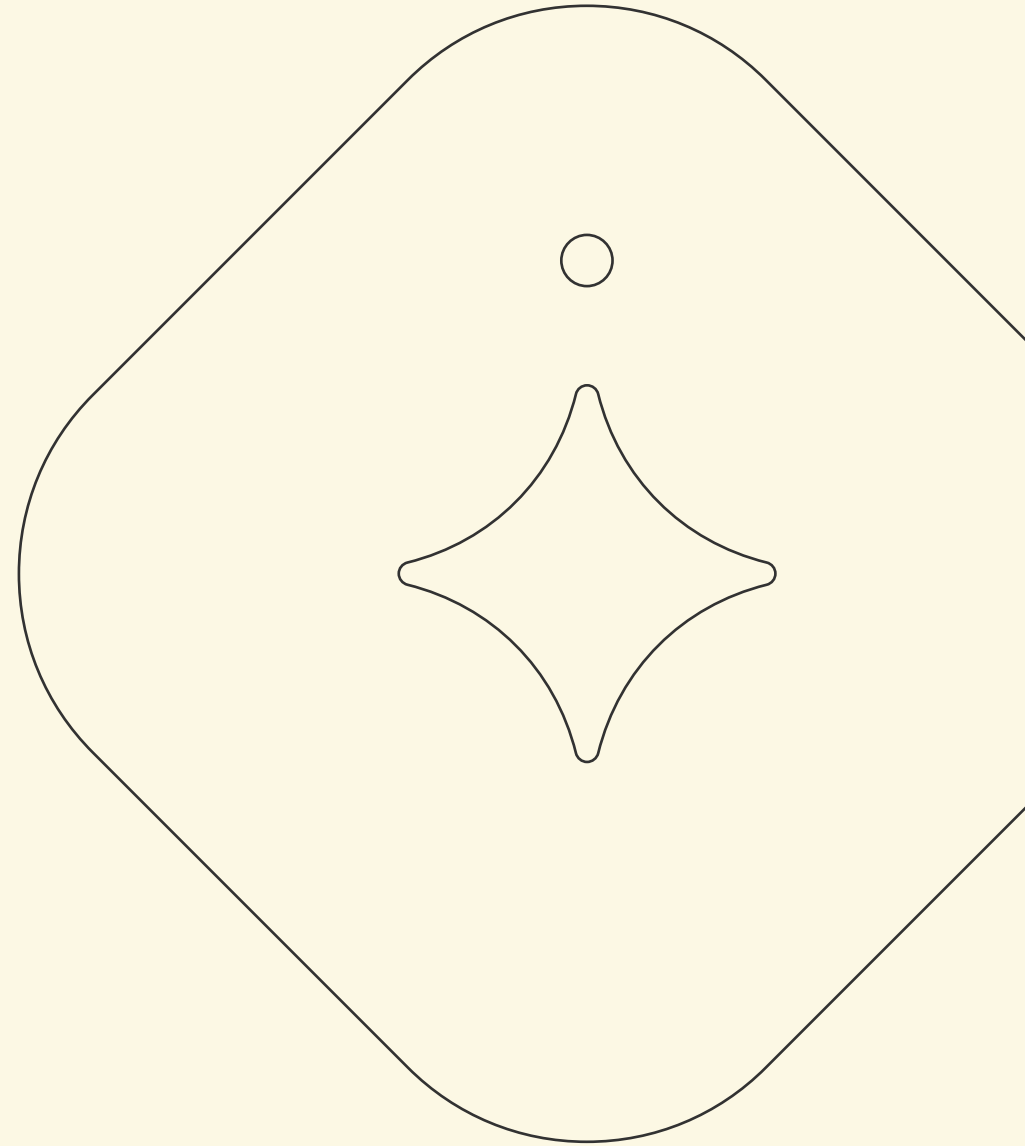


# Food for Thought:

- Can we create value for all out of this opportunity?
- How do we do it?



# Expert Presentations



# Participants:



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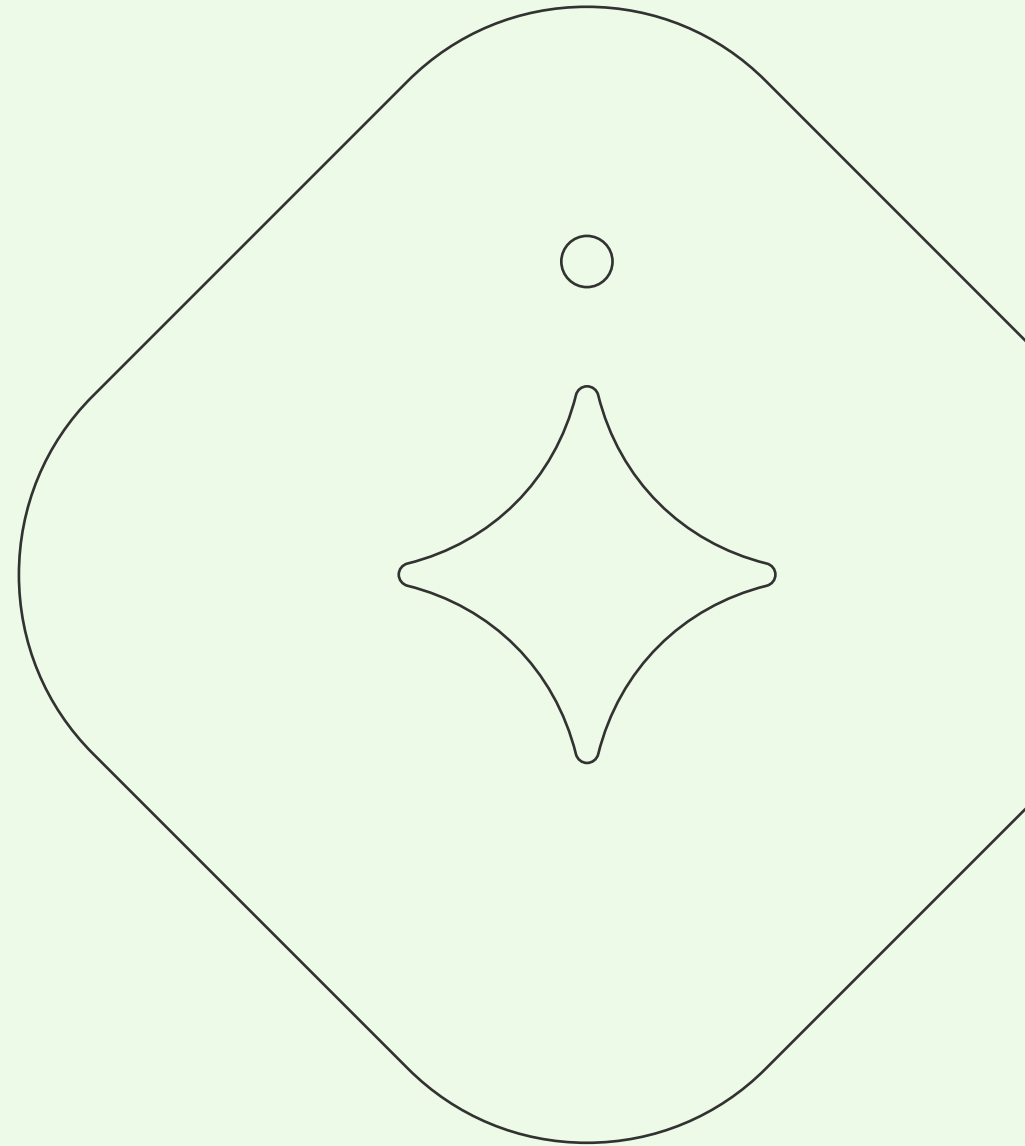
**Gerard Ostheimer -  
Moderator**

Managing Director, Clean  
Energy Ministerial (CEM)  
Biofuture Campaign



# Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) / GBEP

Tiziana Pirelli, FAO/GBEP - Coordinator of the Global Bioenergy  
Partnership.



# Marginal land for bioenergy: an opportunity for supporting sustainable development?

***Tiziana Pirelli***

*Global Bioenergy Partnership*

*Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO)*



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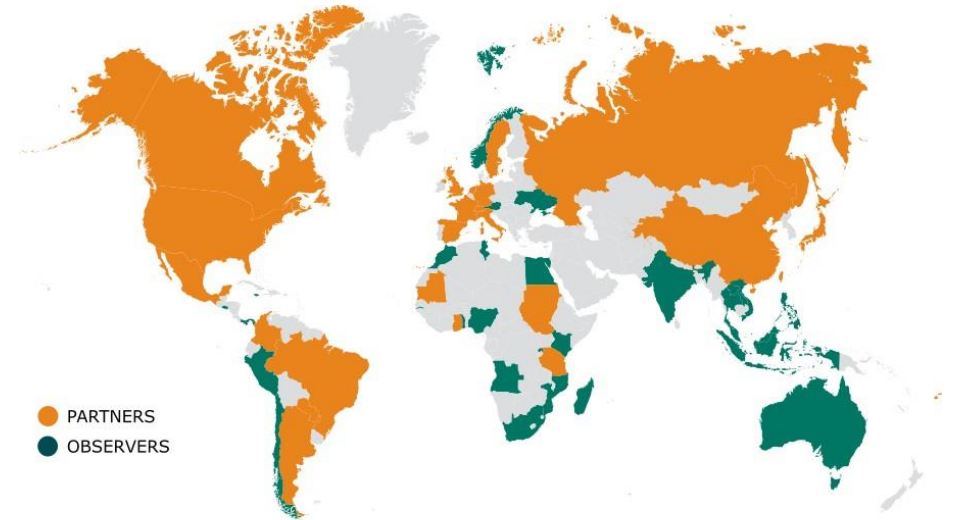
# The Global Bioenergy Partnership

# The Global Bioenergy Partnership (GBEP)

☀ International initiative established to implement the commitments taken by the **G8 in 2005** and receiving renewed mandates from **G7 and G20** since then.

☀ **Argentina and Italy** are the co-Chairs. FAO is a founding partner and hosts its Secretariat at FAO HQ in Rome.

☀ **39 Partners** (including 23 countries and 16 international organizations and institutions) **and 48 Observers** (Governments and International Organizations)



# GBEP Sustainability Indicators for Bioenergy

GBEP has developed the most widely recognized and agreed  
**set of indicators for the assessment and monitoring of bioenergy sustainability.**

## Key Characteristics

- ☀️ Science based
- ☀️ For all forms of bioenergy
- ☀️ Voluntary – not legally binding
- ☀️ AIM: To facilitate the harmonization of sustainability assessments and
- ☀️ To support policy formulation



### ENVIRONMENTAL

1. Life-cycle GHG emissions
2. Soil quality
3. Harvest levels of wood resources
4. Emissions of non-GHG air pollutants, including air toxics
5. Water use and efficiency
6. Water quality
7. Biological diversity in the landscape
8. Land use and land-use change related to bioenergy feedstock production



### SOCIAL

9. Allocation and tenure of land for new bioenergy production
10. Price and supply of a national food basket
11. Change in income
12. Jobs in the bioenergy sector
13. Change in unpaid time spent by women and children collecting biomass
14. Bioenergy used to expand access to modern energy services
15. Change in mortality and burden of disease attributable to indoor smoke
16. Incidence of occupational injury, illness and fatalities

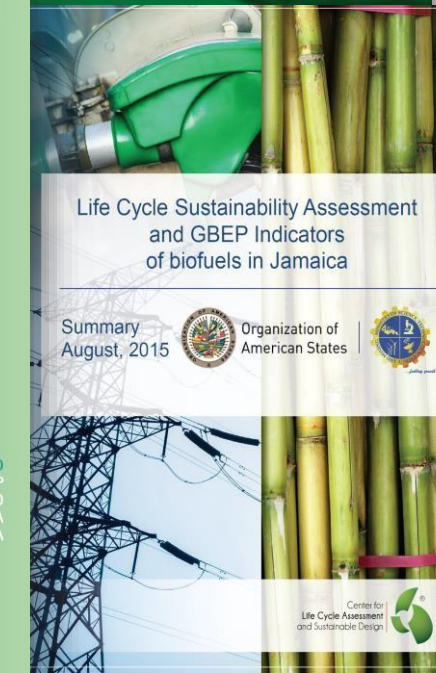
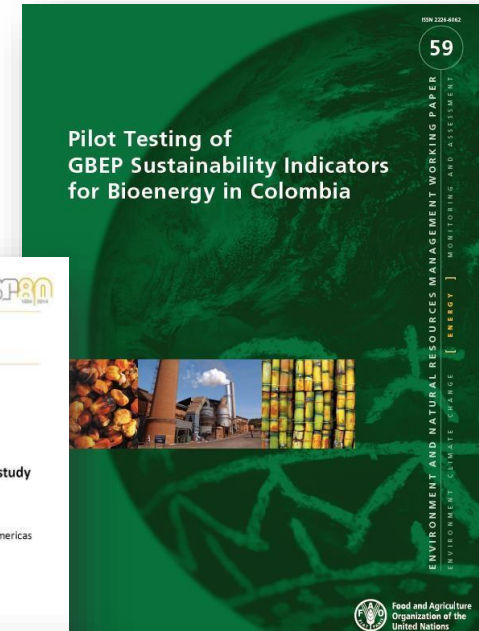
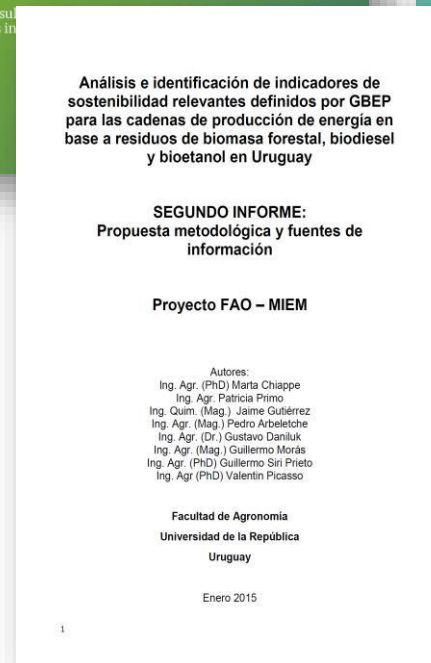
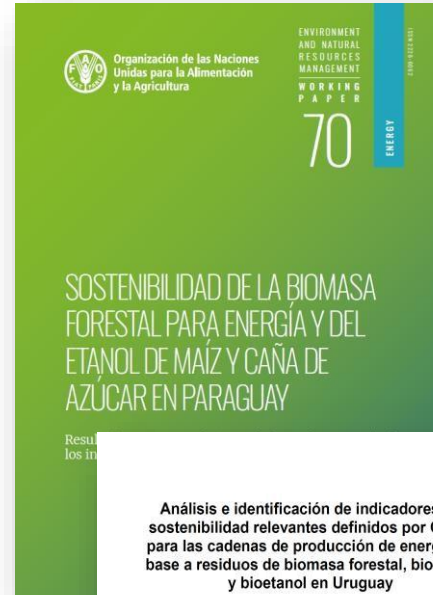


### ECONOMIC

17. Productivity
18. Net energy balance
19. Gross value added
20. Change in consumption of fossil fuels and traditional use of biomass
21. Training and re-qualification of the workforce
22. Energy diversity
23. Infrastructure and logistics for distribution of bioenergy
24. Capacity and flexibility of use of bioenergy

# GBEP Sustainability Indicators for Bioenergy

## Implemented in 14 Countries



# Sustainable feedstock production for biofuels on marginal, underutilized and contaminated land

-  **FORBIO** (2016-2018): Fostering Sustainable Feedstock Production for Advanced Biofuels on Underutilized Land in Europe;
-  **BIOPLAT-EU** (2018-2021): Promote the Sustainable Use of Underutilized Lands in Europe for Bioenergy Production through a web-based platform;
-  **BIKE** (2020-2023): Biofuels production at low-iLUC risk for European sustainable bioeconomy

# BIOPLAT-EU



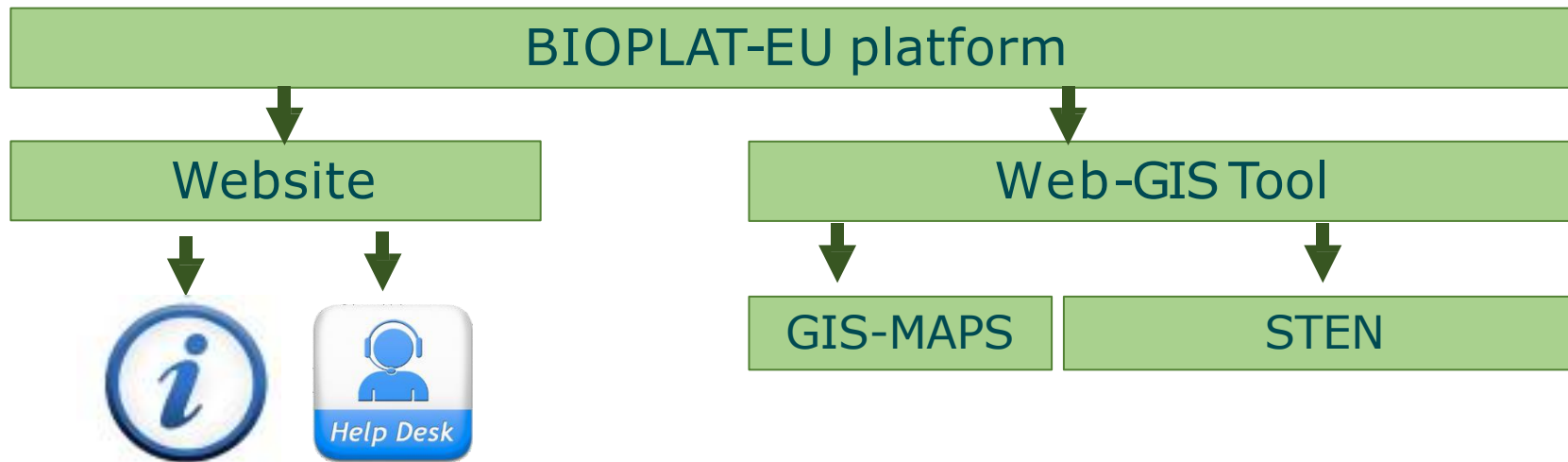
- ☀ EU- H2020 project
- ☀ Implementation period: 2018-2021 (3 years)
- ☀ 6 Partner countries
- ☀ Geographical outreach: EU countries +Ukraine
- ☀ Main objective: promote the use of Marginal, Underutilized and Contaminated (MUC) lands for NON-FOOD biomass production
- ☀ Main activity: develop an online platform to serve as a decision-making tool for bioenergy investors and policy makers;

# BIOPLAT-EU PLATFORM: characteristics

- ☀ The first GIS web-based interface specific to MUC lands at EU level
- ☀ Freely accessible online (<https://webgis.bioplat.eu/#/map>) in 8 languages (en, it, es, de, fr, hu, ua)
- ☀ 2 levels of use: basic – advanced
- ☀ Aims to serve as a source of information and data on bioenergy related themes



# BIOPLAT-EU PLATFORM: structure and components



# Web-GIS tool: the GIS component

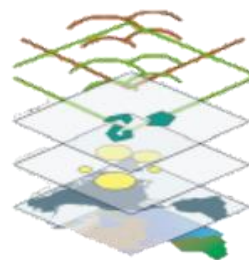
## Identification and mapping of MUC Lands in EU for the cultivation of non-food biomass for bioenergy production

Map of MUC lands produced by using a remote-sensing time series analysis, by considering portions of land not used in the past 5 years, and excluding: all steep slopes ( $>15^\circ$ ), protected areas (Natura 2000) and forests;

Map of existing biomass processing plants, of various bioenergy pathways;

Map of suitable crops per each area (FAO);

Municipalities' borders



# Web-GIS tool: the Sustainability Tool for Europe and Neighboring countries (STEN)

Sustainability assessment of potential bioenergy pathways with an ex-ante approach

**Bioenergy pathways**  
Sustainable biomass production for bioenergy

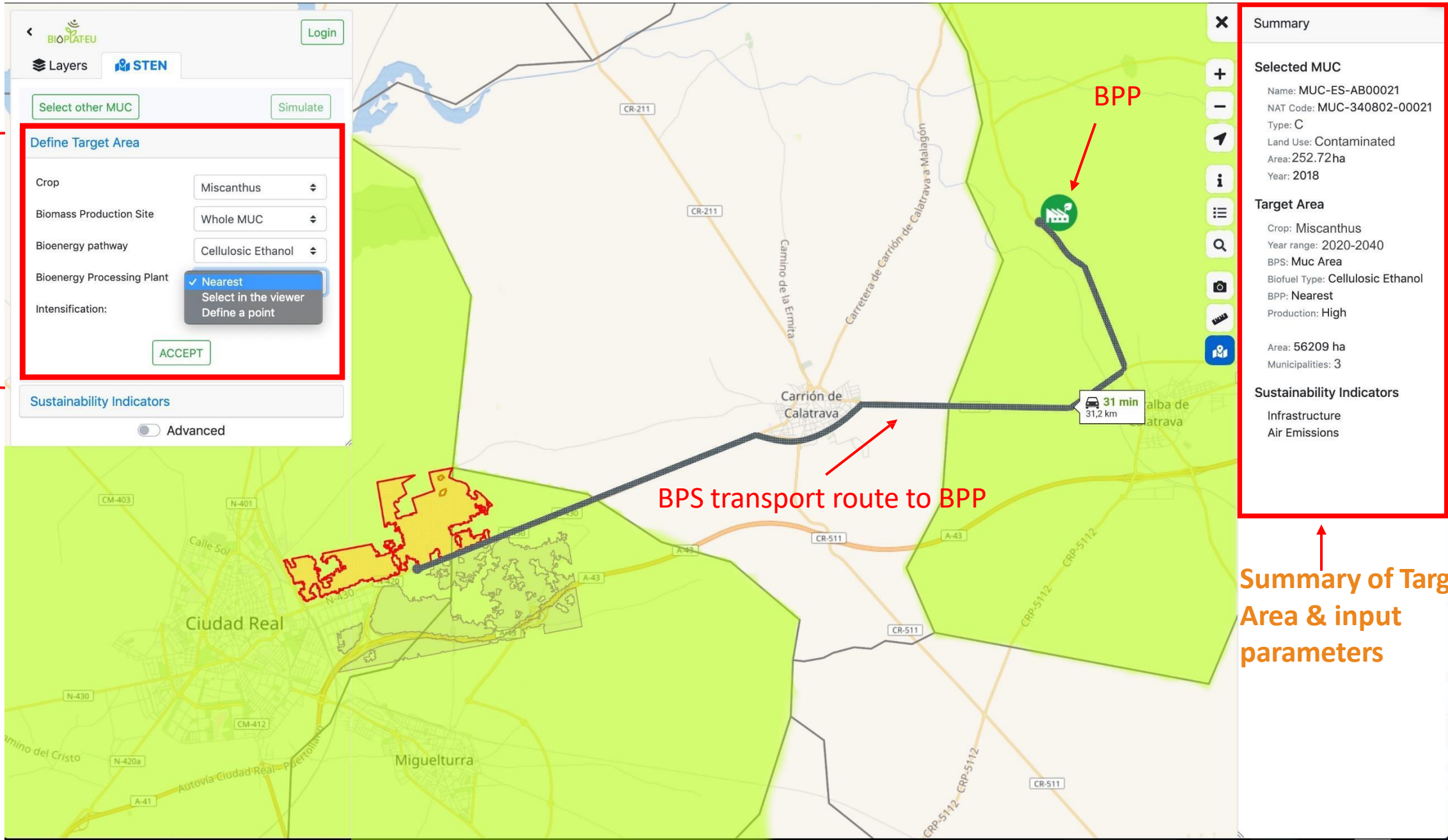


## STEN indicators derived from the GBEP Sustainability Indicator for bioenergy (GSIs)

| ENVIRONMENTAL                                                | SOCIAL                                                        | ECONOMIC                                                       |
|--------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|
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|                                                              |                                                               | 24. Capacity and flexibility of use of bioenergy               |

# STEN: transport from BPS to BPP

Characteristics panel of the simulation target area



Summary of Target Area & input parameters

# BIOPLAT-EU platform: fine tuning and results discussions

- ☀ **6 partner countries:** Germany, Hungary, Italy, Romania, Spain, Ukraine.
- ☀ **2 CASE STUDIES** per partner country.
- ☀ Case studies range from new ideas to additional investment to existing facilities.
- ☀ **Feasibility Studies on Sustainable Supply Chains for Industrial Use:** preliminary financial economic feasibility of bio-energy projects described in case studies ([D6.3](#)).

## Participatory approach



# BIOPLAT-EU CONCLUSIONS

The cultivation of marginal land for non-food biomass production can contribute to **fostering a sustainable development**, as it allows to:

- ☀️ Avoid LUC and iLUC IMPACTS: **overcome the food vs fuel paradigm**
- ☀️ **Requalify** and add value to abandoned land: generate new source of income for landowners
- ☀️ Ensure **feedstock supply**, locally available, for BPP
- ☀️ **Requalify BPP** that halted/slowed down their productivity due to high feedstock costs;
- ☀️ Stimulate the **growth of short bio-based value chains**
- ☀️ Create **job opportunities**
- ☀️ Spark a **new based local economy**
- ☀️ Build **enabling conditions** for the repopulation of areas currently facing demographic decline

# Thank you for your attention

FOR MORE INFORMATION



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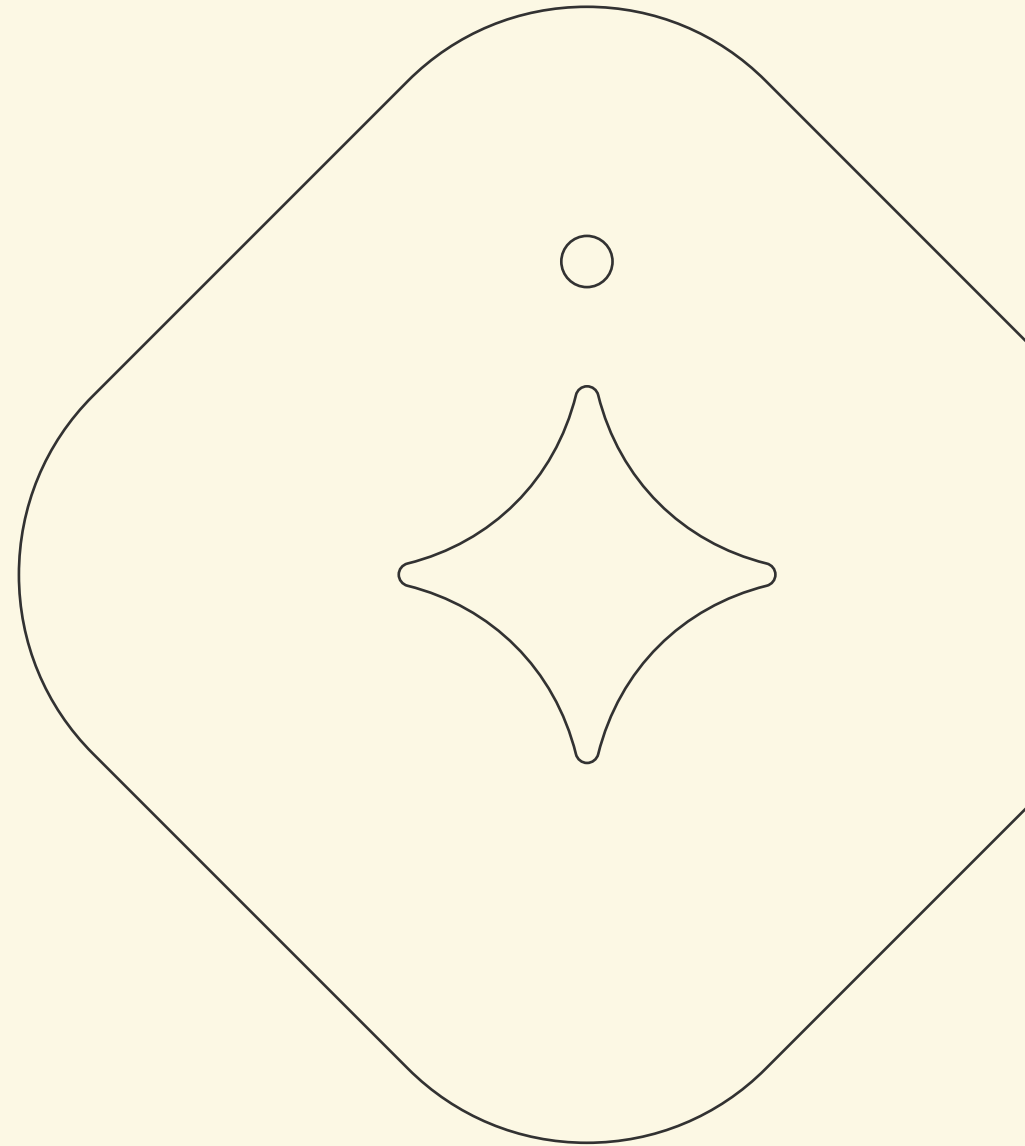
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# Circular bioeconomy for local areas regeneration

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# Who we are



The Novamont Group is an industrial company created to pursue the ambitious project of various researchers: the integration of chemistry and agriculture.

Established in 1990, it is today a **Benefit company** certified B Corp and international leader in the production of bioplastics and the development biochemicals and bioproducts of renewable origin.

# Circular bioeconomy to regenerate local areas

## The three pillars of our circular bioeconomy model



### THE REINDUSTRIALIZATION OF DISUSED SITES



Biorefineries built from the reindustrialization of disused or no longer competitive production sites. Development of innovative and sustainable processes that contribute to the decarbonization of the economy.



### THE INTEGRATED AGRICULTURAL VALUE CHAIN AND SCRAPS VALORIZATION.



Research and innovation for the development of agricultural value chains with low environmental impact, through the valorization of marginal lands. Research and innovation for the transformation of waste and by-products into new bioproducts.



### PRODUCTS AS SOLUTIONS



Products designed to close the carbon cycle and ensure that no persistent substances accumulate in compost, water, sludge, and soil, overcoming the problem of pollution. Products also designed to be reused and recycled.

# Novamont proprietary technologies



## FEEDSTOCK FROM RENEWABLE ORIGINS

## INTERMEDIATES / MONOMERS/POLYMERS

## SOLUTIONS

### Oleaginous drycrops

- Specialized seeds for crushing
- Biomass treatment

### OLEAGINOUS DRYCROPS

Organic fraction  
municipal solid  
waste

Agro-industrial  
waste  
(including  
exhausted  
vegetable oils)

Absorbent  
Hygiene Products  
(pulp and paper)

Bio-co2 from  
fermentation

### SCRAPS

### RENEWABLE RAW MATERIALS

Innovation activities  
for the valorization of  
scraps and by-  
products into new  
bioproducts



FDCA

Chemical  
processes

Biotechnological  
processes



OTHER BUILDING  
BLOCKS FROM  
FERMENTATION



OTHER INTERMEDIATES



BIOHERBICIDES

BIOLUBRICANTS

BIODEGRADABLE  
COSMETIC  
INGREDIENTS



Different end of life options  
depending from the  
application:

- Composting
- Biodegradation in soil
- Chemical recycling
- Mechanical recycling
- Paper waste stream

★ Industrialized technologies

# The agricultural value chain integrated in the local areas



Development of agricultural value chains with low environmental impact



Novamont has always promoted research projects targeted on different territories according to their specificities

- **Promotion of low input oleaginous drycrops able to restore organic carbon in marginal land**
- Dissemination of sustainable agriculture through training on good soil management practices.
- Reduced environmental impact on soil and water through the use of: biodegradable mulch films, fitosanitary products based on pelargonic acid, biolubricants for agricultural machineries.
- Cascading use of all crop components to make products and co-products ranging from biochemicals to animal feed and to meet the energy needs of the industrial process
- **Collaboration with Coldiretti started more than 10 years ago in the experimental fields in central Italy**

# Emilia-Romagna: Regeneration of Clay Quarry



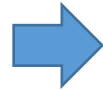
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| AZIENDA:          | Laterlite                                        |
| COMUNE:           | Rubbiano (PR)                                    |
| S.A.U.:           | 1 ha                                             |
| SPECIE COLTIVATA: | <i>Cynara cardunculus</i> L. var. <i>Altilis</i> |
| VARIETA':         | Trinaseed                                        |



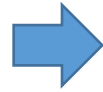
# RE SOIL FOUNDATION: TO SAFEGUARD ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT ASSETS OF THE PLANET

## Objectives:

1. Promote soil conservation in Italy and in Europe, in synergy with the Mission «A Soil Deal for Europe»



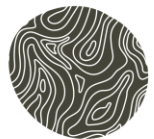
2. Disseminate knowledge, scientific content and information on the subject of soil health



3. Create the conditions to develop territorial case studies and multiply them, also through the dissemination of living labs and lighthouse farms



4. Promote a policy shaping process on the topic of soil conservation



**RE SOIL  
FOUNDATION**  
Regeneration for a clean and healthy soil.



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**Founding Fathers**

*"The challenge of our millennium is in the balance between the technical means that humanity possesses and the wisdom in how we will make use of them".*

UMBERTO COLOMBO



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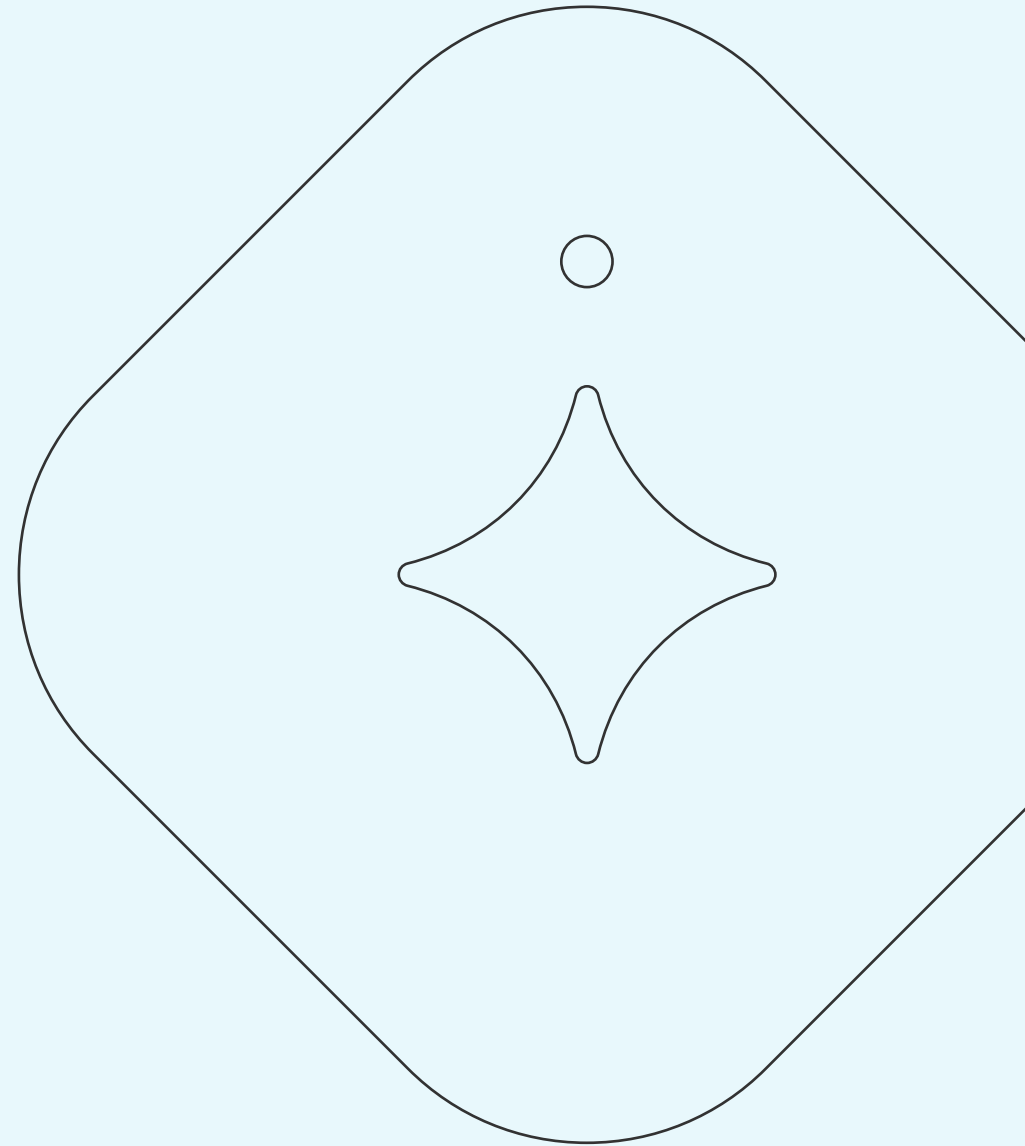
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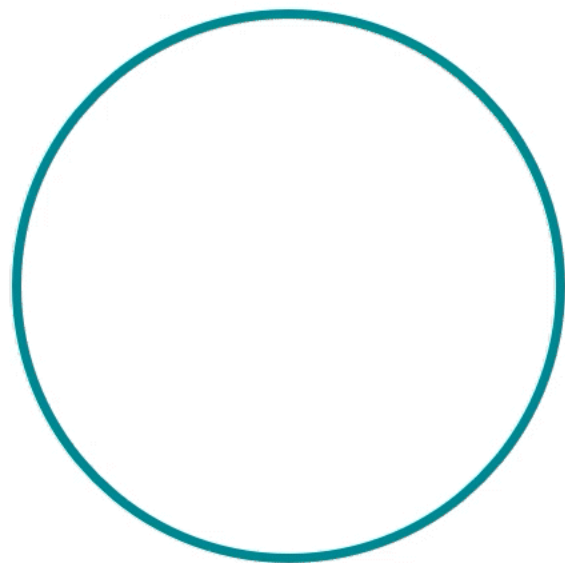
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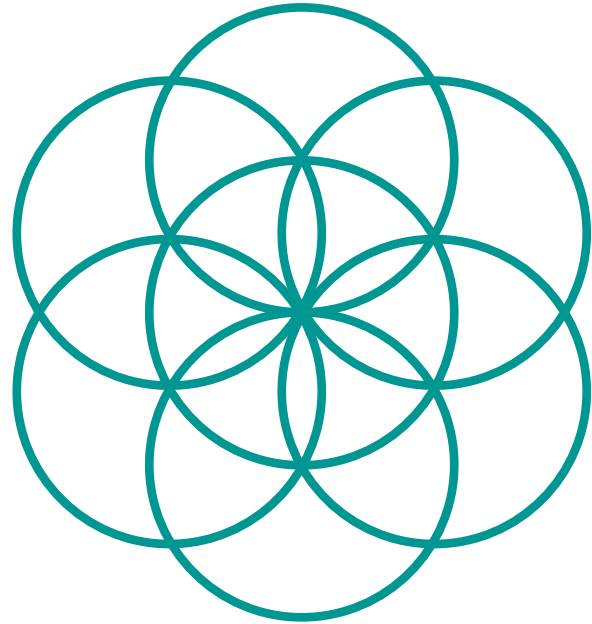


# RSB – Roundtable on Sustainable Biomaterials.

Blanca De Ulibarri – Project Manager







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Q&A

Section 1

# Introduction to RSB



# RSB's Global Team

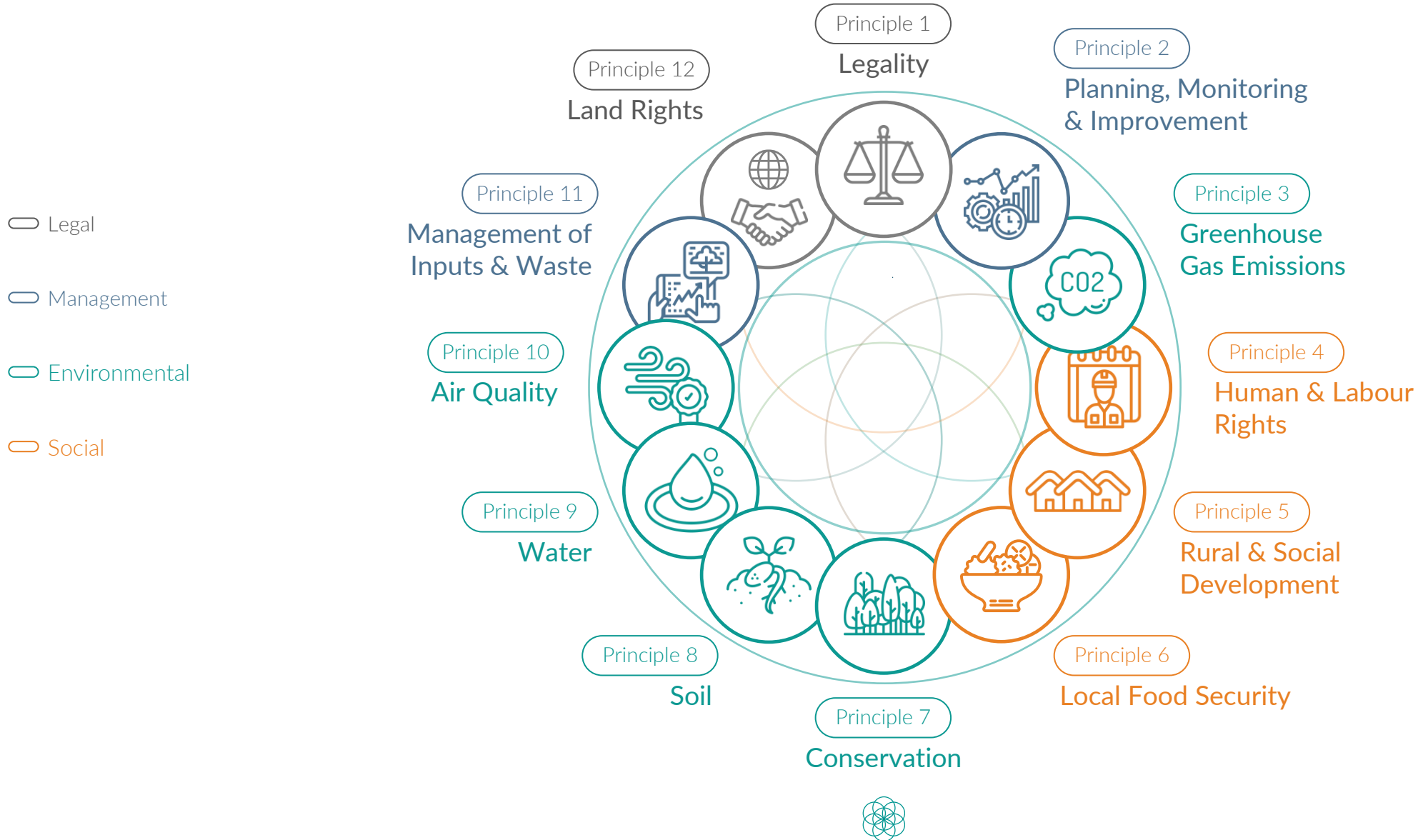




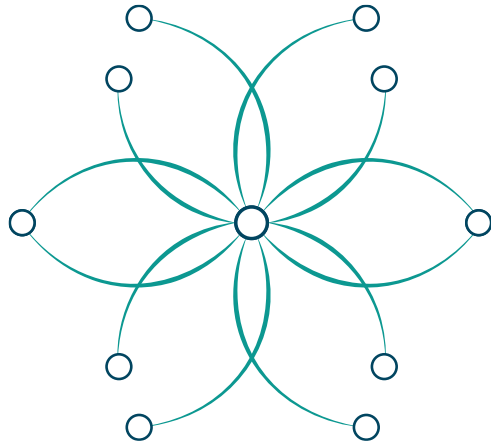
Our global membership is highly diverse  
A wide range of organisations across supply chains, regions and industries



# Holistic approach supporting our ambition to create positive impact



## Our mission



We form Impact Alliances  
of diverse global industry, policy-makers  
and other stakeholders

## Our activities



### Certification

Providing clarity on what good looks like



### Implementation

Building capability to make change happen



### Convening

Enabling collaboration for greater impact



## Non-biogenic feedstocks

- Non-biogenic feedstocks
- Waste CO<sub>2</sub>
- End-of-life tyres
- Waste plastics
- Municipal solid waste

## Biogenic feedstocks

- Sugarcane
- Grasses
- Energy tobacco
- Camelina
- Coconut

- UCO
- Tallow
- Forest & agricultural residues



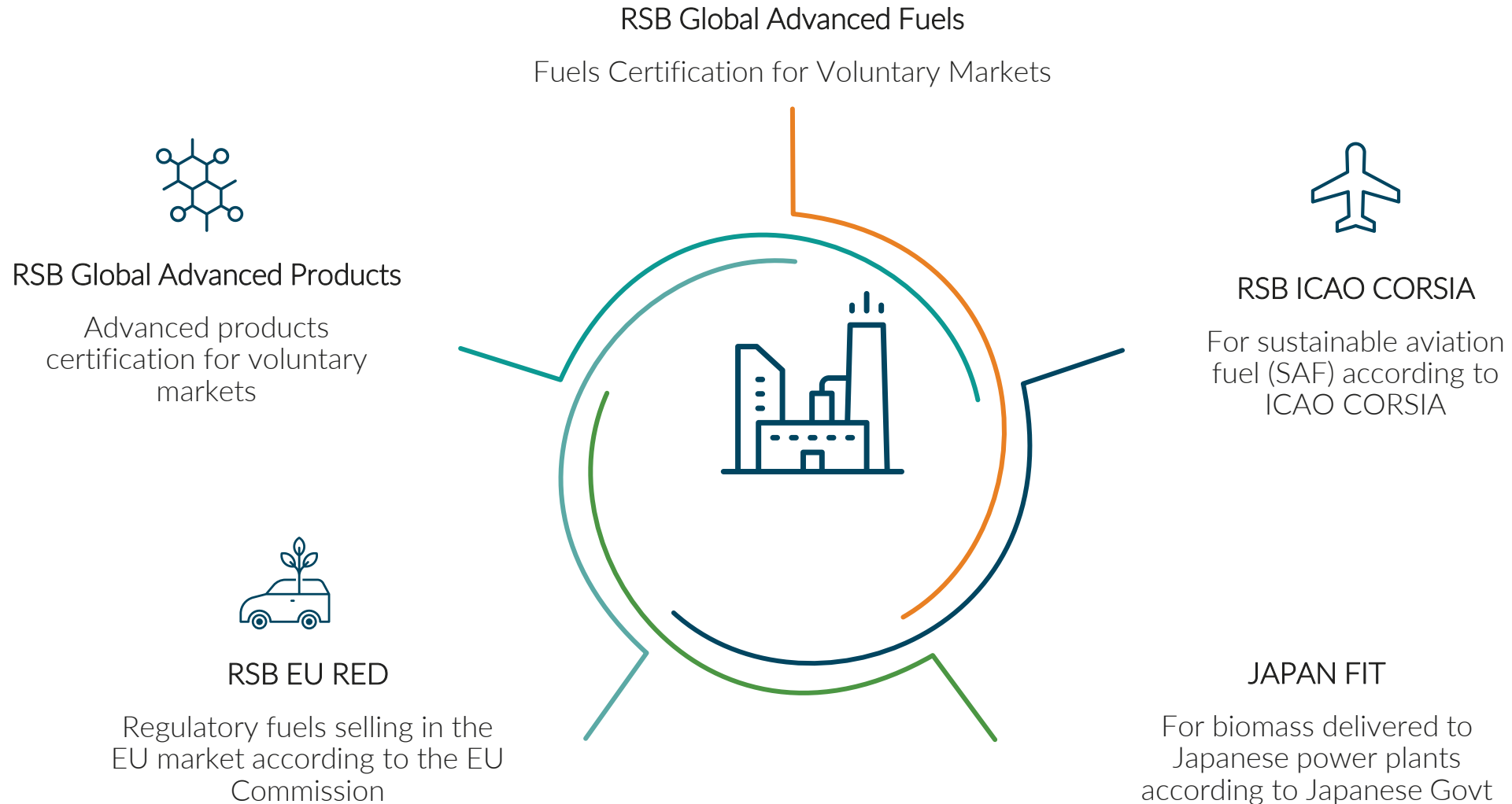
Transport  
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- Packaging
- Aviation fuel
- Shipping fuel
- Ground transport fuel
- Textiles
- Cosmetics
- Lubricants
- Chemicals



# RSB Schemes

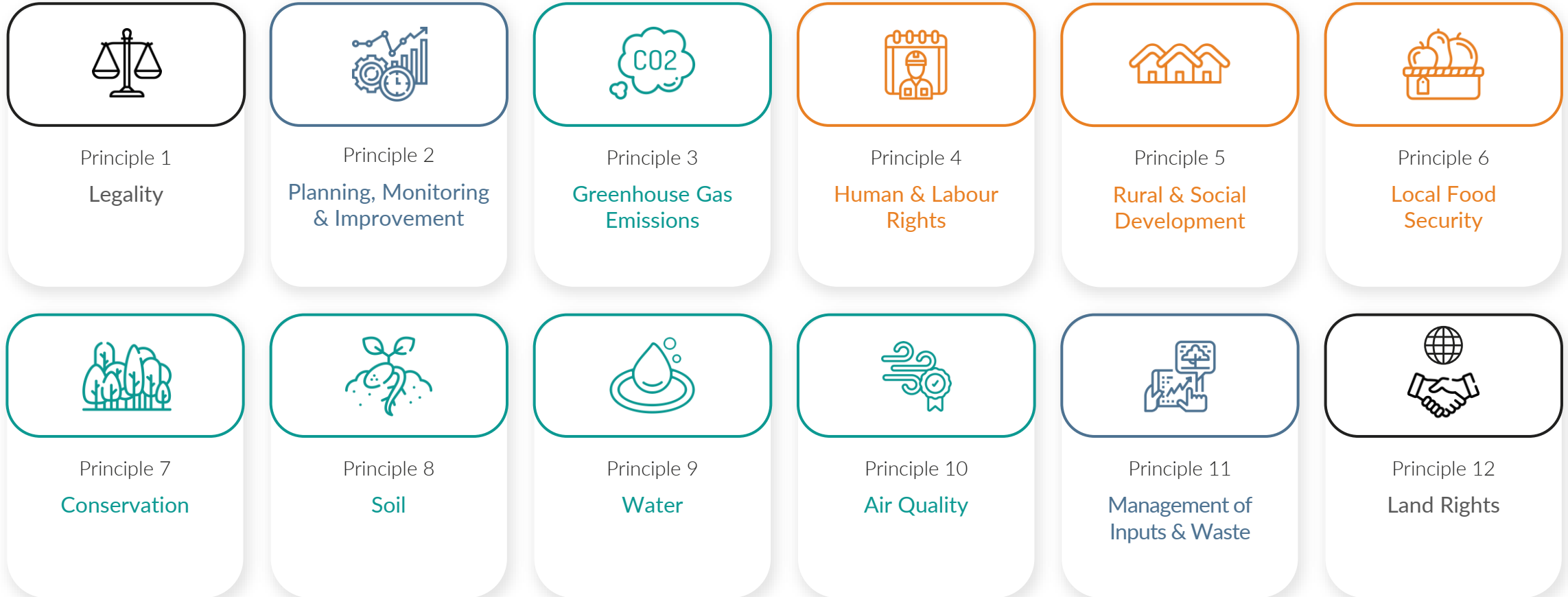


Section 2

# Low ILUC risk biomass standard



# Holistic approach supporting our ambition to create positive impact



Legal

Management

Environmental

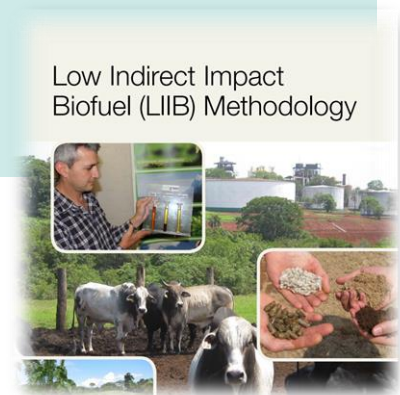
Social



### Low Risk Indirect Land Use Change (iLUC)

RSB developed a set of **criteria and compliance indicators** for certified operators willing to demonstrate that their operations have a **low iLUC risk**, i.e. are unlikely to cause any displacement of an equivalent biomass production to another location.

These indicators for low iLUC risk biomass and biofuels are based on the **Low Indirect Impact Biofuels (LIIB) Methodology**



## RSB Low iLUC Risk Biomass

| Yield increase                                                                                                                                                                                             | Unused/ degraded land                                                                                                                                                                                       | Use of waste/ residue                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
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| <p>Operators demonstrate that <b>additional biomass</b> for biofuel/ biomaterial was produced through <b>an increase in yield</b> compared to a reference date, without any additional land conversion</p> | <p>Operators demonstrate that biomass for biofuel/ biomaterial was produced in <b>land that was not previously cultivated</b> or <b>was not considered arable land</b> ( a reference date is also used)</p> | <p>Operators demonstrate that raw material used for biofuel/ biomaterial is derived from existing supply chains ( e.g: food production, wood processing etc.) and <b>do not require dedicated production out of arable lands</b></p> |

Land was not used for its provisioning services during the **three years** preceding the reference date.

### Low Risk Indirect Land Use Change (iLUC)

- RSB iLUC indicators set is **not a stand- alone certification module** but shall be used in combination with regular RSB certification process
- It ensures that all other direct social and environmental impacts are effectively addressed
- To guarantee **sustainability claims** are independently verified
- To increase confidence of investors and stakeholders
- To gain support from civil society and the public



# RSB Low iLUC Risk Biomass

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## RSB LOW ILUC RISK BIOMASS MODULE

In order to minimise the risk of indirect Land Use Change, the RSB has developed a set of criteria and compliance indicators for operators to voluntarily demonstrate that their operations are unlikely to cause any displacement of an equivalent biomass production to another location. The RSB Low ILUC Risk Biomass Module is a voluntary addition to other RSB Certification types that enables operators to make additional claims that an RSB feedstock or product is at minimal risk of causing indirect land use change.

The RSB Low ILUC Biomass Module may not be used as a standalone certification.





## EXAMPLE CLAIMS

RSB LOW ILUC RISK BIOMASS



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Feedstock

## UPM Biofuels gains the world's first RSB low ILUC risk feedstock certification

24 April 2018 by [Bioenergy International](#)

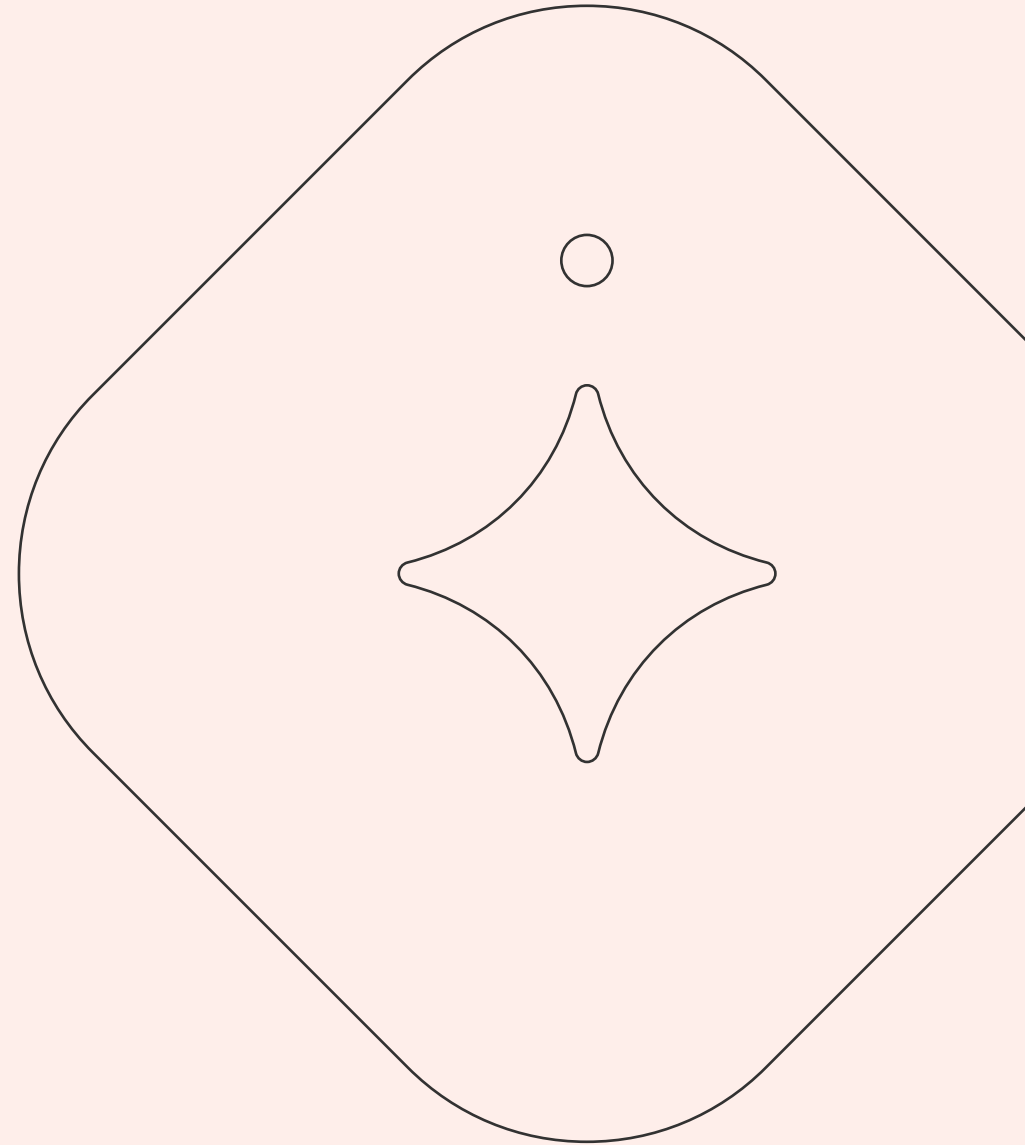
UPM Biofuels, a business unit of Finland-headed forest industry major UPM has received the world's first Roundtable on Sustainable Biomaterials (RSB) low indirect land use change (ILUC) risk certification. The certificate was received for crude tall oil (CTO), the feedstock used for UPM BioVerno renewable fuels production at the Lappeenranta Biorefinery in Finland, and for UPM's cultivation of the Brassica carinata oilseed crop in Uruguay.



# Questions



# Panel Discussion





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