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#### **Alternative Fuels**

Targeting carbon-neutral aircraft operations Farnborough Airshow



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#### **Eco-Efficient Aviation**





- Aviation needs to flourish with reduced environmental impact
- Aviation is necessary for development

#### Facts:

- 8% Global GDP
- 2% man made CO<sub>2</sub> emissions
- Over 40 years the focus on innovation has lead to
  - ▶ 70% reduced aviation fuel consumption and related CO<sub>2</sub> emissions

#### Targets:

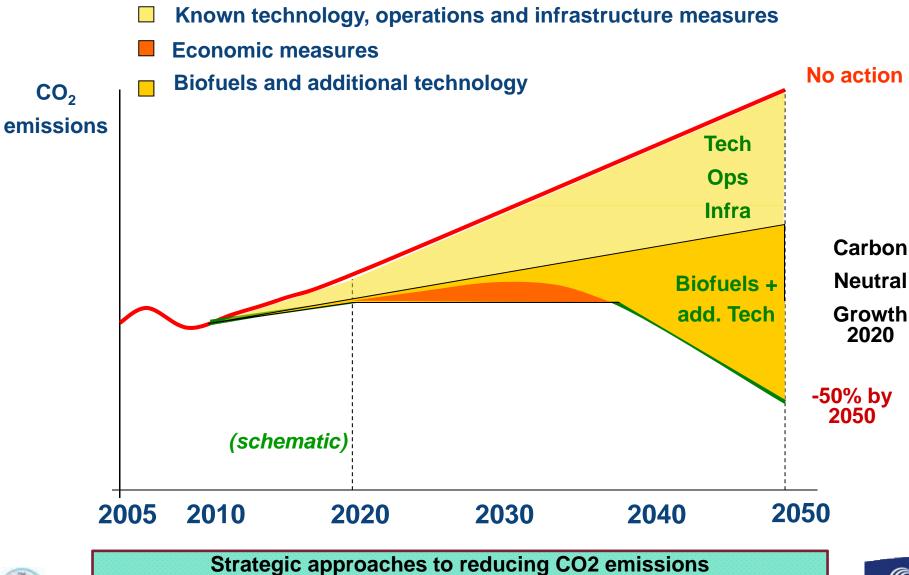
- Carbon Neutral growth by 2020
- 50% CO<sub>2</sub> reductions by 2050 compared to 2005

Sustainable Aviation Growth with Environmental targets



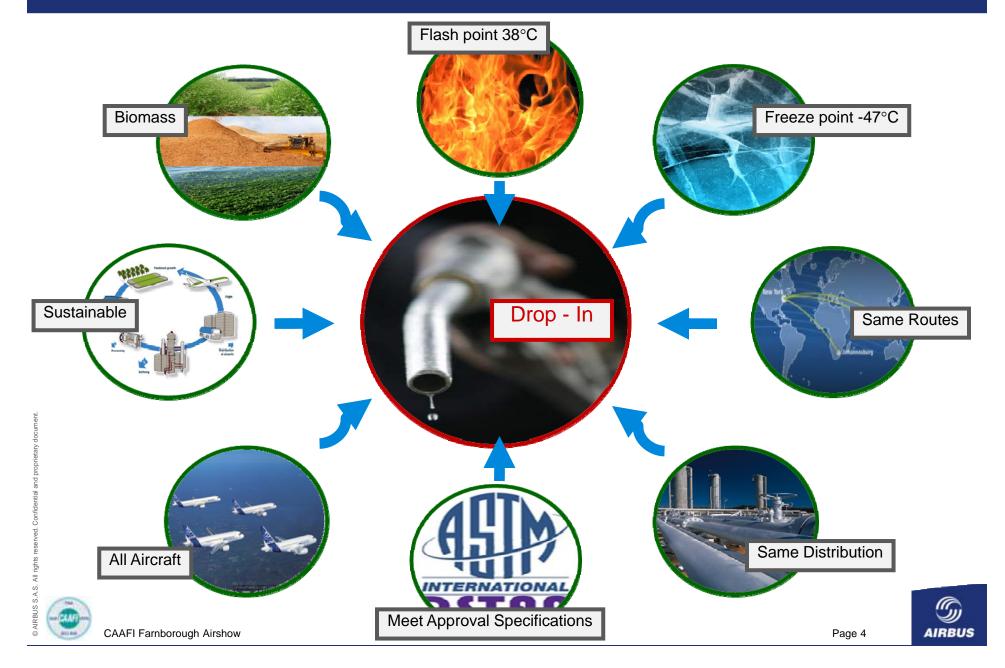


# Challenge: Emissions reduction roadmap





# What are alternative fuels for Airbus Short / Mid Term



## Background: Short/Medium Term Requirement



- Use existing airport fuel storage
- Common aviation fuel distribution network
- With common piping and transport infrastructure / mechanisms



Any alternative should be "drop-in"
 and mixable with fossil fuel

A "Drop-in" solution is required



## What are the alternative fuels?

Potential sustainable feedstocks



**Algae** 



**Jatropha** 



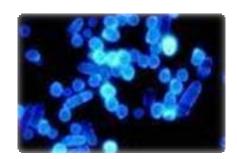
**Wood waste** 



Salicornia



Camelina

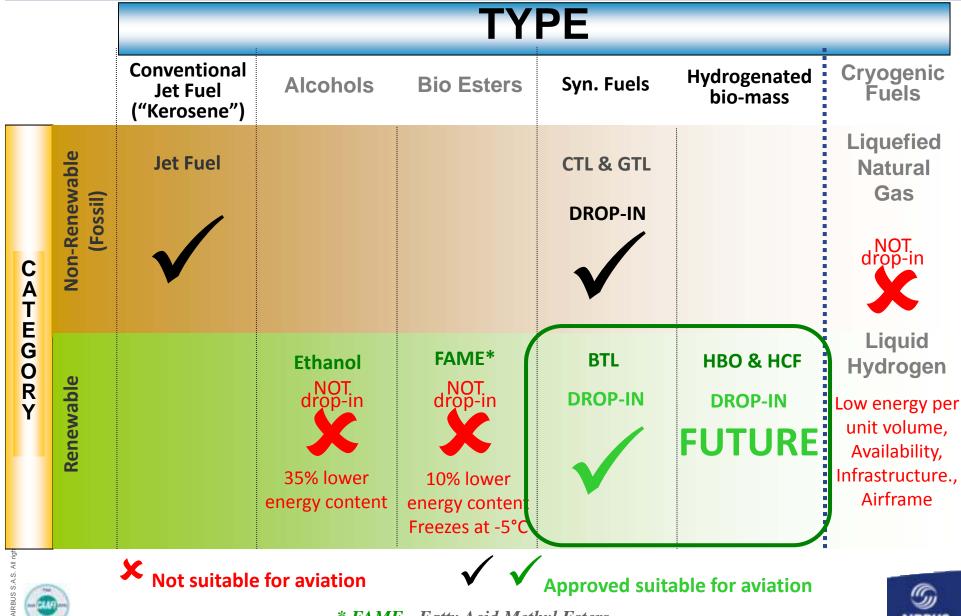


**Yeast** 

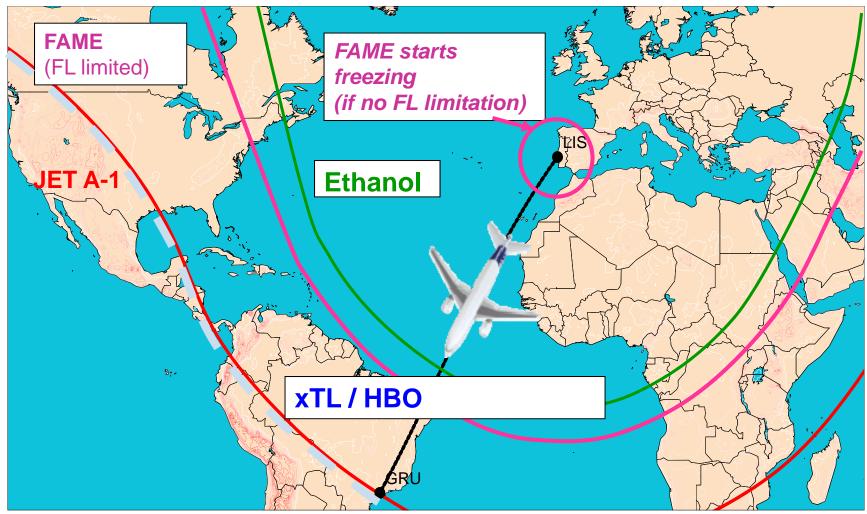


**Multi options in different locations** 

## Alternative Fuels Options Commercial Aviation



## **Alternative Fuels illustrated:**



(GRU) Guarulhos Intl, Sao Paulo, SP, BR



JET A-1, xTL's and HBO's gives the performance as a drop-in

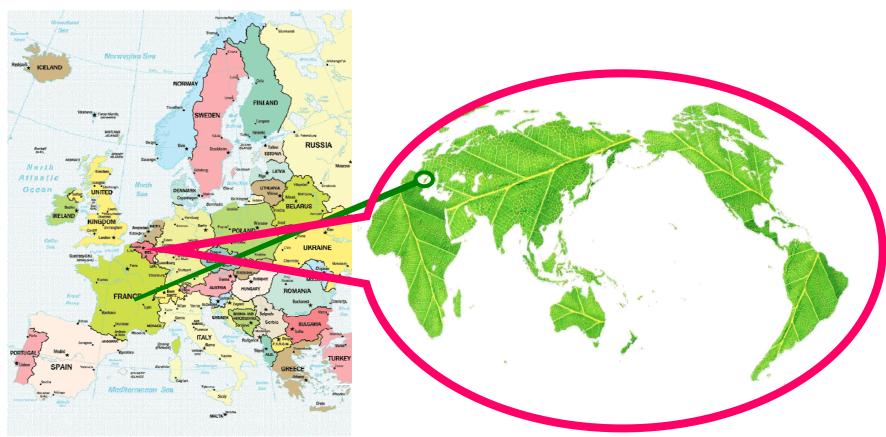


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## Biomass Jet Fuel

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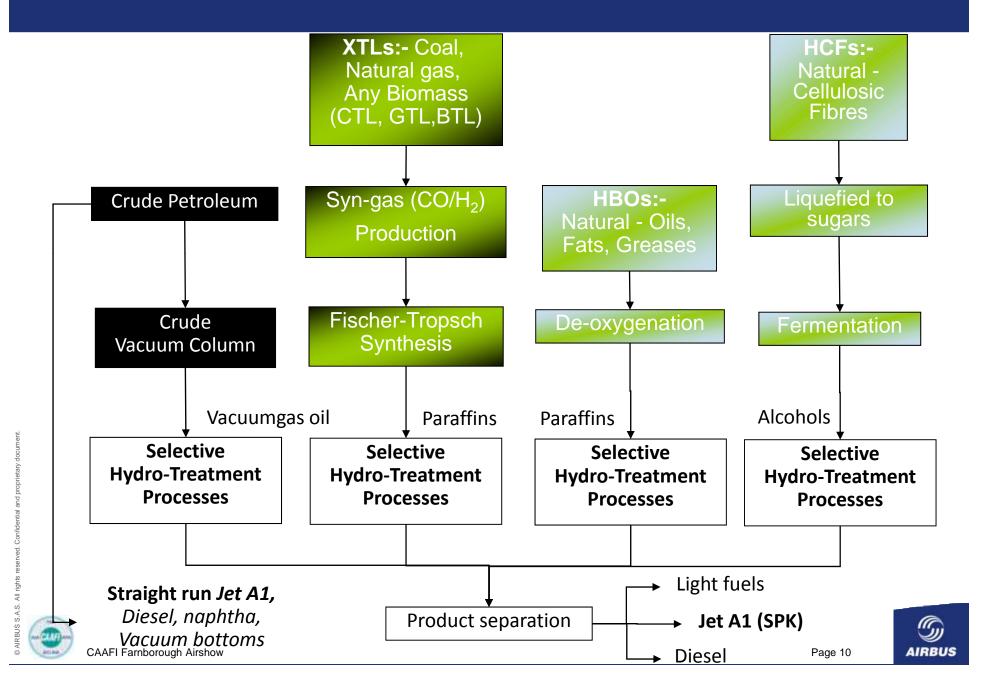
It has been estimated that cultivating an area equivalent to Belgium with Algae could produce enough Bio-Jet to support the World civil aviation industry

Different feedstock's = different oil yields

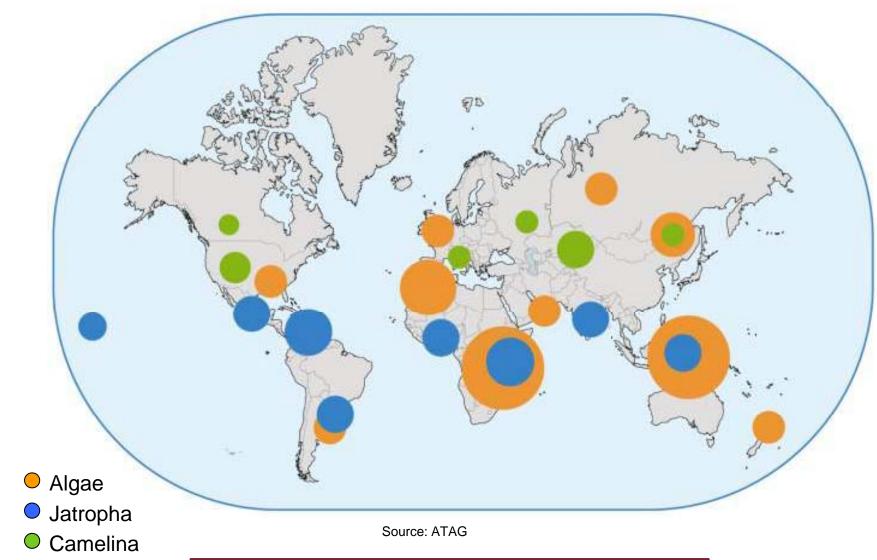




#### **Transformation Processes**



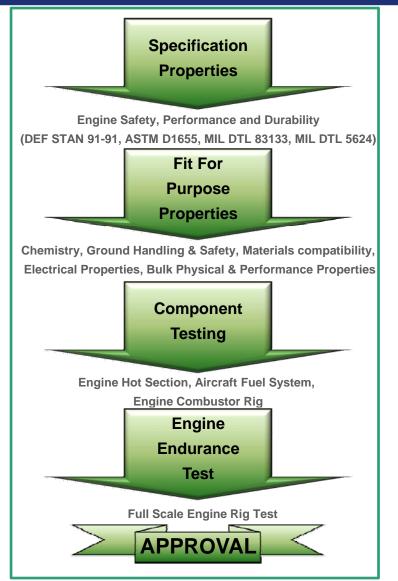
## Biomass Jet Fuel Locations

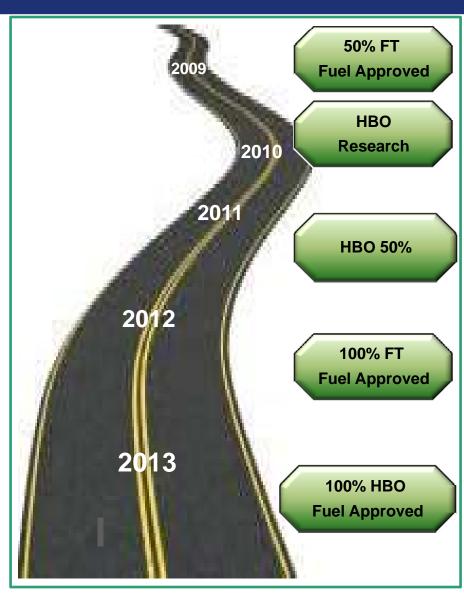


Global solutions possible

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## Airbus in the Fuels Approval Process







Airbus supports the Def-Stan and ASTM Approval processes

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#### What has Airbus achieved

\*GTL = Gas To Liquid



- February 2008
  - ▶ Flight test
  - ▶~50% GTL
  - ► A380 on one out of the four engines

- October 2009
  - First ever commercial revenue flight
  - ▶~50% GTL
  - ► A340-600 all engines



Synthetic fuels work and are a precursor for Biofuels





## What's planned - Value Chain Projects

- Airbus acting as a Catalyst for Biofuel commercialisation
- Projects that develop the Biofuel value chain in different regions
  - Agriculture, Refiners, Investors, Airlines....
- Closed loop process to reduce CO<sub>2</sub> emissions

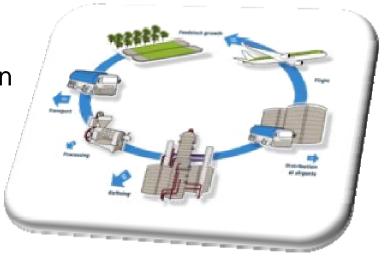




Investment strategy



- Biofuel flight 2010
- Biofuel commercialisation
  - Sustainability Analysis



Source: ATAG



Others projects under development with airlines



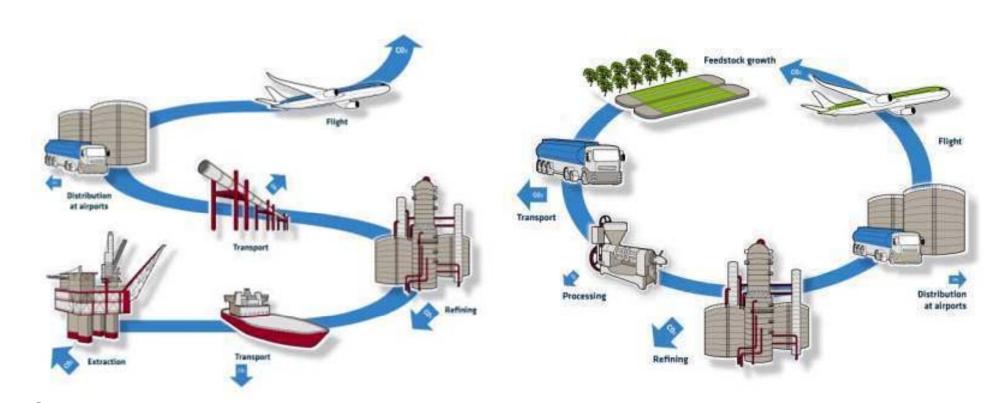
Develop projects that speed up sustainable commercialisation



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## Bio fuel an Aeronautical efficient solution



At each stage in the distribution chain, carbon dioxide is emitted through energy use by extraction, transport, etc Carbon dioxide will be reabsorbed as the next generation of bio fuel feedstock is grown.



Bio fuel use for Aeronautical sector is reliable and sustainable



# Common Sustainability Analysis is a must

#### **RSB Principles & Criteria**

- 1. Legality
- 2. Planning, Monitoring & Continuous Improvement
- 3. Greenhouse Gases

**Emissions** 

- 4. Human & Labor Rights
- 5. Rural & Social

Development

- 6. Food Security
- 7. Conservation
- 8. Soil
- 9. Water
- 10. Air
- 11. Use of Technologies, Inputs & Management of

Wastes

12. Land Rights

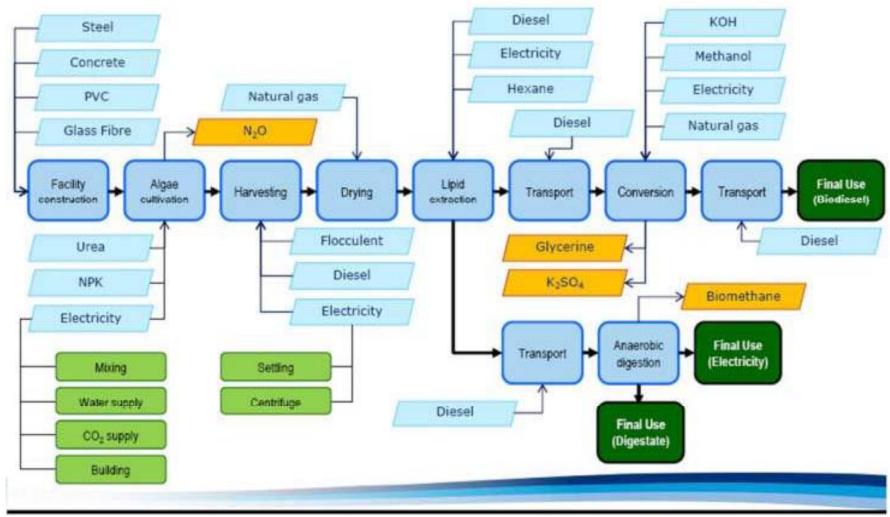
- Roundtable on Sustainable Biofuels (RSB)
- Sustainability Standards for entire Biofuel value chain
- •From Farm to Tank
- Standard used for certification system (3<sup>rd</sup> party)
- Implementation a priority for 2010
- Basis for future Airbus Biofuel sustainability analysis

Ref: RSB-STD-20-001

Core Principles for the use and experimentation with Biofuel



# Common Life Cycle Analysis (LCA) is key



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Source: UK Carbon Trust 2009



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#### Industrialization



- (Some) R&T already delivered, let's deploy and implement
  - Common sustainability criteria
  - Lifecycle analysis



- More industry wide and Airbus R&T needed on e.g. algae
  - Also building on early industrial experience



- Government support through policy and incentives
  - Prioritisation of Energy types for different transport modes
  - Tax incentives / carbon credits



#### Industrialization



- Cross industry approach
  - Aircraft / Engine Manufacturers to provide technical support for qualification
  - Airlines to commit to using and buying bio-fuels



- Investors needed!
  - Growing local economies in various world locations
  - Sustainability criteria
  - Joint ventures with airlines and stakeholders

Alternative fuels must be commercially viable...





## Sustainable Alternative Fuels User Group

#### The Pledge

- Will not displace, or compete with, food crops or cause deforestation
- Minimises impact to biodiversity **Produces substantially lower life cycle** greenhouse gas emissions than conventional fossil fuels
- Certified sustainable with respect to land, water, and energy use
- Delivers a positive socioeconomic impact





# Initiatives (Including R&D) "Simple" description

- CALIN Research work which aims to identify and evaluate a number of alternatives to kerosene for the short, medium, and long term.
- ALFA-BIRD Overview of potential alternative fuels, assessment for suitability for aircraft, technical analysis and future alternative fuel strategy
- CAER In preparation: establish a French aeronautic alternative fuel program
- SWAFEA Forum for the community (industry, policy, science and research) to meet and discuss state of the art in alternative fuels and energy for aviation
- DREAM Engine (helicopter) endurance test with an alternative fuel
- CAAFI, ICCAIA, ECAC, European Platform, and more and more...

**R&D** a Key Component





### **Main Issues**

Alternative Fuels work!

Market based measure should partly finance R&T

Bio Fuel Commercialisation is 7 – 10 years away – too slow

Reduction of Aviation emissions requires investments in innovation

Government policy and incentives required.
Cannot be left to market dynamics

Biofuel availability in Europe is limited even for testing

30% Biofuel by 2030

Continued Biofuel certification / approval

Cross-Industry collaboration is essential

Aviation has limited solutions (Biofuels)

Missing common sustainability analysis Why invest?

Other industries have alternatives

Airlines are ready to use Bio Fuels



Airbus continues to act as a Catalyst



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## Glossary

• GDP Gross Domestic Product

• ATM Air Traffic Management

ASTM American Society for Testing and Materials

Def-Stan
 UK Defense Standard

HBO Hydrogenated Biomass Oils

HCF Hydrotreated Cellulosic Fibre

• FT Fisher Tropsch

• GTL Gas To Liquid

• CTL Coal To Liquid

• BTL Biomass to Liquid

RSB Roundtable on Sustainable Biofuels

• FAME Fatty Acid Methyl Esters

• ATAG Air Transport Action Group

• CO<sub>2</sub> Carbon Dioxide

• CFMI CFM International (Engine joint venture between GE Aviation of

the United States and Snecma of France)

• LCA Life Cycle Analysis

Synthetic Paraffinic Kerosenes

