

# Discussion Panel III: Sustainability Introductory presentation EU

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#### **Overview**



- The European regulations on biofuels
- The sustainability requirements
- Global initiatives
- Outlook



#### • Renewable Energy Directive (RED) 2009/28/EC

"Each Member State shall ensure that the share of <u>energy from</u> <u>renewable sources in all forms of transport in 2020 is at least 10 %</u> of the final consumption of energy in transport in that Member State." (Article 3 (4))

 Fuel Quality Directive (FQD) 98/70/EC amended by 2009/30/EC

"Member States shall require suppliers to <u>reduce GHG emissions</u> <u>from use of transport fuel by 6%</u> in 2020 compared to baseline scenario" (Article 7a)

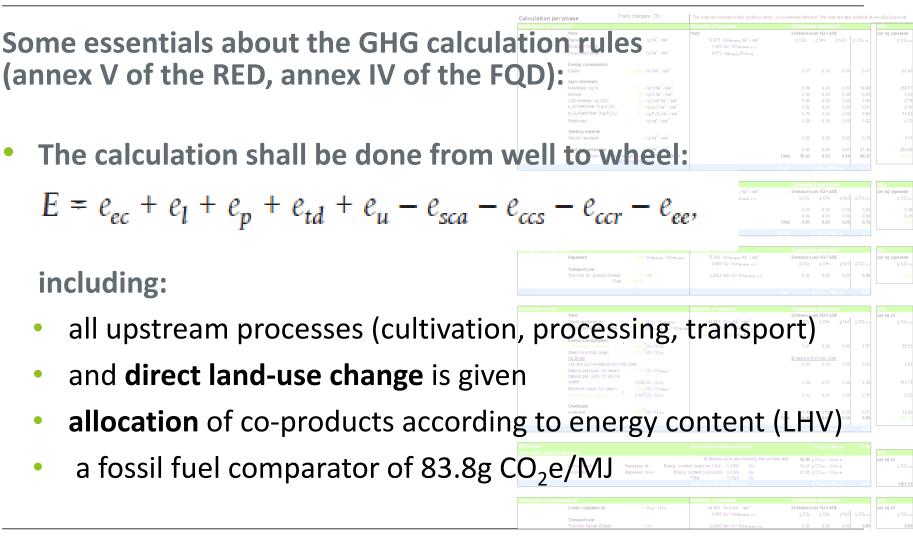
 Both amended by Directive 2015/1513 (the so-called ILUC directive)



Biofuels eligible for the RED 10%-quota and for the FQD-6%target need to fulfil following sustainability criteria:

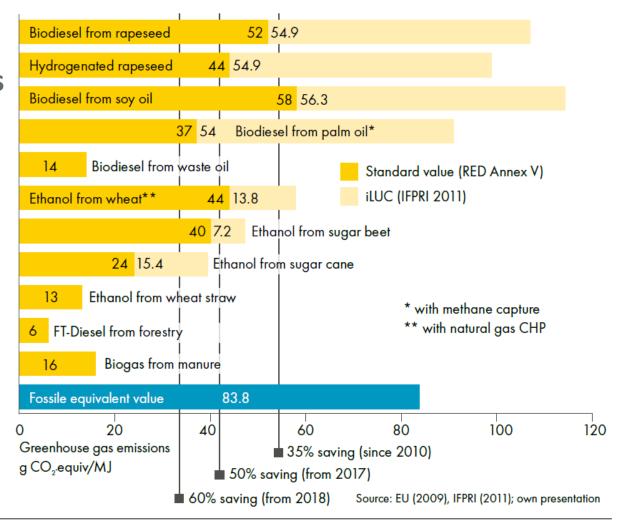
- GHG emission saving from the use of biofuels shall be at least: 35% (currently), 50% in 2017 and 60% for biofuels and produced in installations starting operation after 5 October 2015
- Rules for GHG emission calculation: You can
  - use default values (→ annex of the directives)
  - make your own calculation of actual values (rules  $\rightarrow$  annex)
  - Combine partial default values and own calculations







### RED and FQD GHG default values



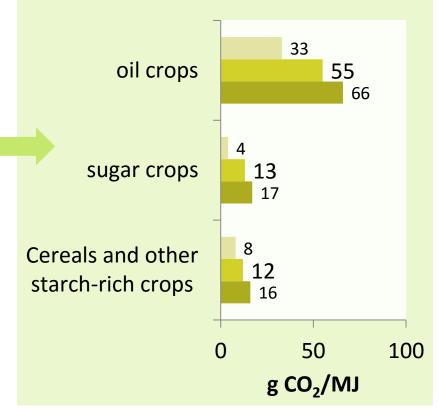


The **ILUC** case indirect land-use change Directive 2015/1513

- National reporting on GHG emission savings shall include the ILUC emissions
- These crops shall take no more than 7 % in 2020 (cap!)
- Advanced biofuels (from non-land-using feedstocks) should aim at 0.5% in 2020 (gap?)

Provisional estimated ILUC emissions from biofuel feedstocks (Annex VIII RED)

💻 minimum 📕 mean 📕 maximum





The EU strategy to overcome the ILUC issue (Directive 2015/1513)

#### Supporting "advanced biofuels" by double-counting, made from

- Algae, bacteria
- Diverse sorts of bio-waste, organic waste etc.
- Diverse sorts of residues from agriculture or forestry (aka non-food (ligno-)cellulosic material)
- Diverse sorts of agricultural residues
- Used cooking oil and animal fats
- Renewable liquid and gaseous transport fuels of non-biological origin (aka Power-to-Liquid, PtL)



#### **Beyond GHG emissions**

#### Mandatory requirements:

Biofuels shall not be made from raw material obtained from land (status after January 2008)

- with high biodiversity value (Primary forests, areas designated for protection, highly biodiverse grassland)
- and with high carbon stock (forested areas, wetlands, peatlands)

Raw materials cultivated in the EU must be in accordance with the minimum requirements for **good agricultural and environmental condition**.

### **Beyond GHG emissions**

### **Reporting requirements:**

The member states have to report on:

- measures taken for soil, water and air protection
- the restoration of **degraded land**,
- excessive water consumption in water-scarce areas
- impact of EU biofuel policy food prices
- respect of land-use rights
- Ratification and implementation of ILO core conventions, the Cartagena protocol and CITES.





#### and verification?

### Verification of compliance with the sustainability criteria:

The member states shall require economic operators to show that the sustainability criteria have been fulfilled:

- by every consignment
- by applying mass balance systems,
- performed by recognized voluntary national or international schemes
- $\rightarrow$  Certification of complete chain of custody!



### **Global initiatives**



Global Bioenergy Partnership

### THE GLOBAL BIOENERGY PARTNERSHIP SUSTAINABILITY INDICATORS FOR BIOENERGY FIRST EDITION

**24 sustainability indicators** agreed by 50 countries and 26 International Organizations (members & observers)

ICAO is currently an observer



### **Global initiatives**





International Standard ISO 13065:2015

Sustainability criteria for bioenergy

specifies principles (12), criteria (17) and indicators (61) for the bioenergy supply chain to facilitate assessment of environmental, social and economic aspects of sustainability.



The EU policymakers have shown their readiness to adapt the sustainability requirements according to the scientific discourse.

The discussion and implementation of sustainability requirements has not come to an end.

#### It will advance to

- find agreements on globally harmonized principles and compatible schemes
- transfer the lessons learned to any other "bio-related" sector any fuel, bio-based materials, food and feed.

Only this will solve the ILUC problem, the risk of leakage, an provide an level-playing ground.



Thanks a lot for your attention

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