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News from IEA Bioenergy Task 37

### IEA Bioenergy Task 37 Country Reports Summary 2014

The publication contains a compilation of summaries of country reports from members of IEA Bioenergy Task 37 (Energy from Biogas). The individual country reports include information on the number of biogas plants in operation, biogas production data, how the biogas is utilised, the number of biogas upgrading plants, the number of vehicles using biomethane as fuel, the number of biomethane filling stations, details of financial support schemes in each country and some information on national biogas research and development projects.

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### IEA Bioenergy Task 37 – An Australian Perspective

The latest country report of the Task gives a short summary of the biogas situation in the newest member country Australia. Besides 46 digesters on WWTP, 13 industrial, 4 biowaste and 15 on-farm digesters are operated. The major drivers for biogas are Rapidly increasing energy and fertiliser costs, odour emission and urban encroachment onto traditional rural areas.

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### REVAQ certified waste water treatment plants in Sweden

Tobias Persson and Mattias Svensson recently published a new case story on REVAQ, a certification system insuring high quality of the digestate produced from anaerobic digestion of sewage sludge in Sweden. REVAQ is operated by a number of Swedish associations involved in biogas production in cooperation with the Swedish Environmental Protection Agency. Today, more than 50% of the Swedish population is connected to a wastewater treatment plant (WWTP) certified through REVAQ and the number is steadily growing. The work performed by the certified WWTPs is focused on removing the sources of heavy metals and other contaminants before they reach the WWTPs, and ensuring safe recycling of nutrients to agricultural land.

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### Energiforsk the new research entity in Sweden

Energiforsk AB was founded in a merger as of 1 January 2015 and took over previous businesses run by the Task 37 partner SGC, Elforsk, Värmeforsk and Svensk Fjärrvärme's R&D. The new Energy Research Institute will benefit interaction of gaseous fuels and other energy sources. Research on gaseous fuels will be jointly developed with the Swedish Gas Centre (SGC). The formation of the Institute was preceded by several years of discussion. The new entity will have operations in Stockholm and Malmö. About 20 employees will work in the venture

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