

Newsletter IEA Bioenergy Task 37: 3/2012 Focus Biomethane

Dutch Study on Biogas in The Netherlands

In November 2011 the company OWS on behalf of the Agency Netherlands has written a 185 page study on the biogas production and consumption in Holland. 79 out of 134 plant operators filled out an extensive questionnaire showing that the primary substrate still is manure ($\geq 40\%$). The major product is electricity (driven by FiT). 33% of all CHPs installed are in the range of 500 to 1,000 kW. However, the share of biomethane production is increasing.

The study is in Dutch with an extended English summary and easy to understand graphs.

Source: [Agentshap NL](#)

Overview of European Biomethane Markets

In the context of the European Union GreenGasGrids project, the twelve international cooperation partners including the German Energy Agency (Dena) and the European Biogas Association (EBA) have published a current overview of the main biomethane markets in Europe. The overview contains data on gas grids, treatment plants and funding conditions in Austria, Germany, France, the UK, Poland, Sweden, Hungary, Italy, Croatia, the Netherlands, Slovakia and Switzerland.

Source: [Green Gas Grids](#)

Apps to locate Biomethan Stations in Switzerland

A free geo-location application developed by gazmobile SA will guide drivers of natural gas or biogas vehicles to the nearest filling station in Switzerland. The tool is available for free download on I-Tunes. This application was developed specifically for the i-Phone, but also works on other Apple devices. The driver can see all the fueling stations for natural gas and biogas operating in Switzerland, or one in particular introducing a specific location.

Source: [Erdgas fahren](#)

76 Biomethane Fuelling Stations in Germany

In the first seven months of 2012 the number of fuelling stations serving 100% biomethane has more than doubled from 36 to 76. In addition, 230 out of over 900 gas stations have mixtures of biomethane and natural gas.

Source: [erdgas mobile GmbH](#)

Biomethane in Sweden

A new report from the Swedish Energy Authority highlights that biomethane used in vehicles in 2010 became the most common type of use of biogas in Sweden. Transportation fuel accounted for 609 GWh, heating 606 GWh, and other uses 172 GWh.

Source: [NyTechnik](#)

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