IEA Bioenergy Task 37

Seminar Programme for the Ludlow meeting, UK, 17 April 2008

Co-digestion for an optimized production of biogas and fertilizer

08.15	Registration and coffee
09:00	Welcome to the event
09:15	The contribution of AD in delivering renewable energy and the role of IEA Bioenergy Task 37: Keynote speech: (Arthur Wellinger, Chairman IEA Bioenergy Task 37)
09:45	The UK policy framework and aspirations for AD Jeremy Eppel, (Deputy Director, Farming for the Future Programme) DEFRA
10.05	Discussion
10:15	Coffee break

10:45 Session 1: Co-digestion

Chairman: Oliver Harwood Chief Surveyor, Country Land and Business Association

10.45 Impact of competing claims for food and energy on German biogas production (Peter Weiland):

11.05 Short contributions:

- Results of 41 Co-digestion plants in Austria: (Rudolf Braun)
- Co-digestion in Västeras and Kristianstad: Anneli Petersson Discussion

11.45 Presentation of the Greenfinch plant

- Planning and financing the project (South Shropshire District Council)
- Design, construction and operation (Michael Chesshire, Greenfinch)

- 12:30 Co-digestion on the farm: increasing productivity with mixed inputs (Philip Hobbs, Rothamsted Research)
- **12.45** Lunch break and tour of the Ludlow plant

Session 2: Digestate

Chairman: Arthur Wellinger, Chairman IEA Bioenergy Task 37.

- **14.15** Quality assurance of digestate –the new protocol and applicable UK regulations, *Nina Sweet, UK Waste Resources Action Programme*
- **14:35** Digestate use and management
 - Fertilizer quality- Post-treatment and application *Jens Bo Holm-Nielsen*
 - Digestate in the UK Clare Lukehurst, (Probiogas UK)
 Discussion
- **15.55** Tea break
- **16:10** Biogas use and application
 - The Netherlands experience (Mathieu Dumont SenterNovem Netherlands)
 - Biogas for vehicle fuel: whither the UK? (Trevor Fletcher, Hardstaff Group)
- **16.45** Wrap up and discussion (close at 17.30)