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European Biofuel market



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key messages

Biofuel market development

Increasing biofuel production in Europe due to the favorable political frame conditions
 → strong influence of tax exemptions and reductions

Economic aspects

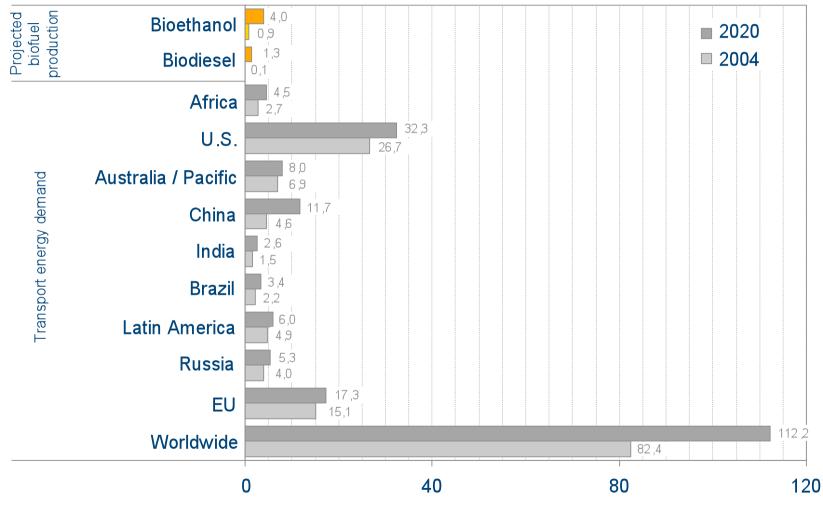
 Biofuel production costs are dominated by feedstock costs as well as capital related costs (efficiency and availability of high importance) → in future feedstock costs/prices are expected to increase, also due to an increasing trade of biomass and higher demand for bioenergy → resulting in increasing fuel market prices

Environmental aspects

- The Environmental and social aspects of biofuels are strongly discussed in the EU
 - → Sustainability criteria for biofuels will be implemented in future directives in Europe esp. with focus on:
 - a the sustainable biomass production,
 - GHG mitigation potentials of biofuel pathways



Introduction Projections on transportation fuel demand

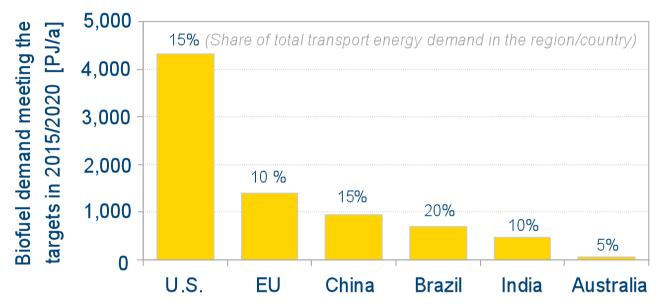


Transport energy demand vs. (projected) biofuel production [EJ/a]



Introduction Targets for biofuels

Energy policy targets



General targets on biofuels

- Superior targets within the framework of sustainability
- Production of biofuels that are (i) technical efficient at achieving emission standards, (ii) economic efficient with (iii) high GHG mitigation potential
- Integration of biofuels production system into regional existing technical biomass potentials
- Implementation of a reasonable mix of promising biofuels into the energy system under consideration of the defined sustainability criteria and the existing infrastructure (fuel distribution and use)

Bioethanol and biodiesel market Bioethanol production worldwide



Data sources: Ethanol industry outlook RFA, 2008

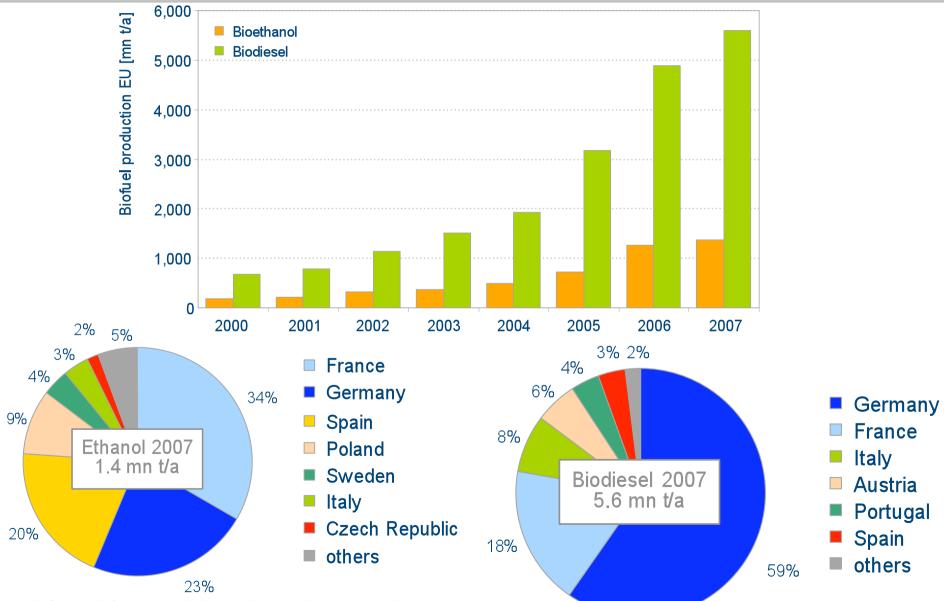
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Bioethanol and biodiesel market Biodiesel production worldwide



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Bioethanol and biodiesel market Biofuels production in the EU



Sources: EuObserver Biofuels, 2007/2008; European Bioethanol Fuel Association 2008

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Policy instruments for promoting biofuels **Overview Europe**

| | TAX REDUCTION MEASURES | OBLIGATIONS | BOTH |
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| Base | Directive EC 2003/96 on Energy Taxation In 07/2007 16 member states notified tax system to EC; exemptions and reductions limited to a max. of six years, but may be renewed | Directive EC 2003/30 Some member states: obligation to blend biofuels with petroleum fuels, while others have passed legislation to do so in the coming years | |
| Current | UK, Italy, Sweden Belgium, Spain, Denmark, Poland, Cyprus, Estonia, Hungary, Ireland, Latvia, Malta, Portugal, Slovakia, Slovenia | Austria, Lithuania, Netherland | France, Germany |
| Future | Sweden, Cyprus, Estonia, Hungary, Ireland, Latvia | UK, Netherlands, Italy, Czech Rep., Slovakia, Austria, Lithuania, Hungary, Slovenia | Germany, Belgium, Poland, France, Portugal, Spain |



Policy instruments for promoting biofuels **Overview Europe**

Renewable Energy Roadmap (2007), (proposal)

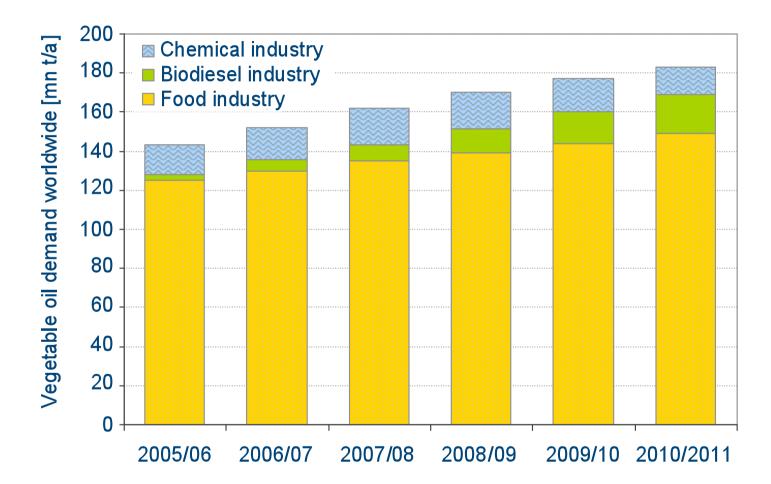
- Roadmap for the future development of renewable energy within the EU
- Commitment on obligatory targets for the use of renewable energy (10% in the transport sector)
- Development of criteria to ensure the sustainability of biofuels

Fuel Quality Directive (2007), (proposal)

- Target: reduction of air pollution and GHG-Emissions in the transport sector
- Fuel producers have to monitor the GHG-Emissions along the whole production chain (from 2009)
- Annually GHG-Reduction by 1% (from 2011)
- →This could lead to price benefits for biofuels with a high GHG-mitigation potential

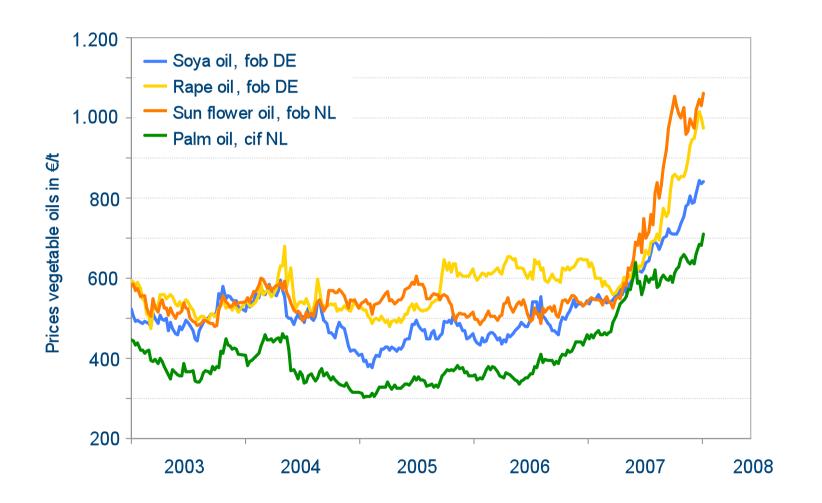


Economic aspects Biodiesel feedstock – market projections



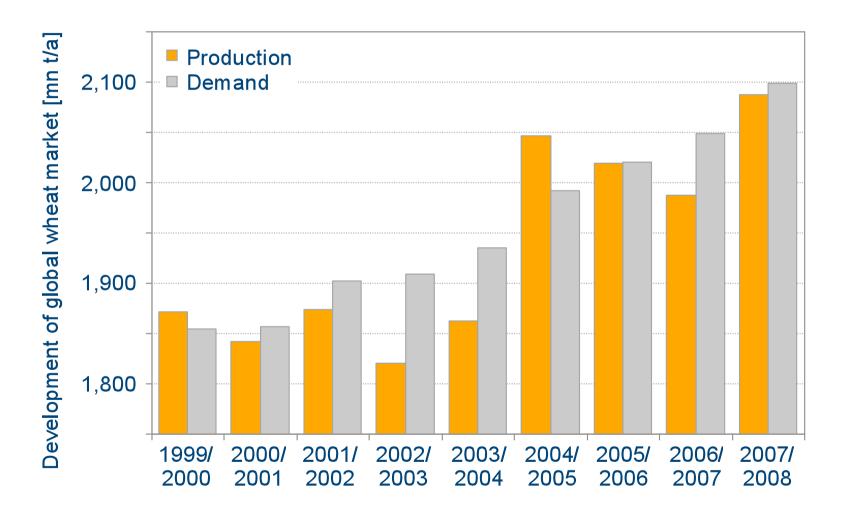


Economic aspects Biodiesel feedstocks – price development

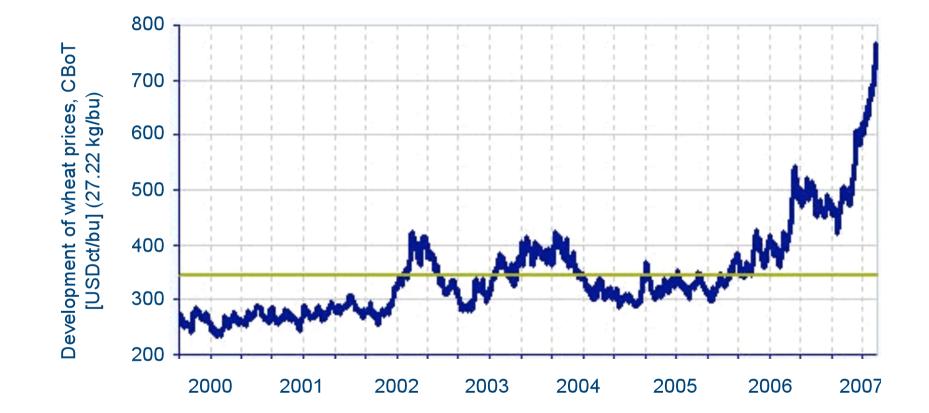




Economic aspects Bioethanol feedstocks – wheat market









- Since sustainability has become a major issue in the field of bioenergy (esp. in biofuels policy) the sustainable production of biomass for energetic use is planned to be implemented in legal regulations, e.g.:
 - EU Directive (proposal) on the promotion of the use of energy from renewable sources,
 - German biomass sustainability decree (proposal).
- Both directives define requirements for the production of biomass and the production of biofuels (as one aspect of energetic biomass use)



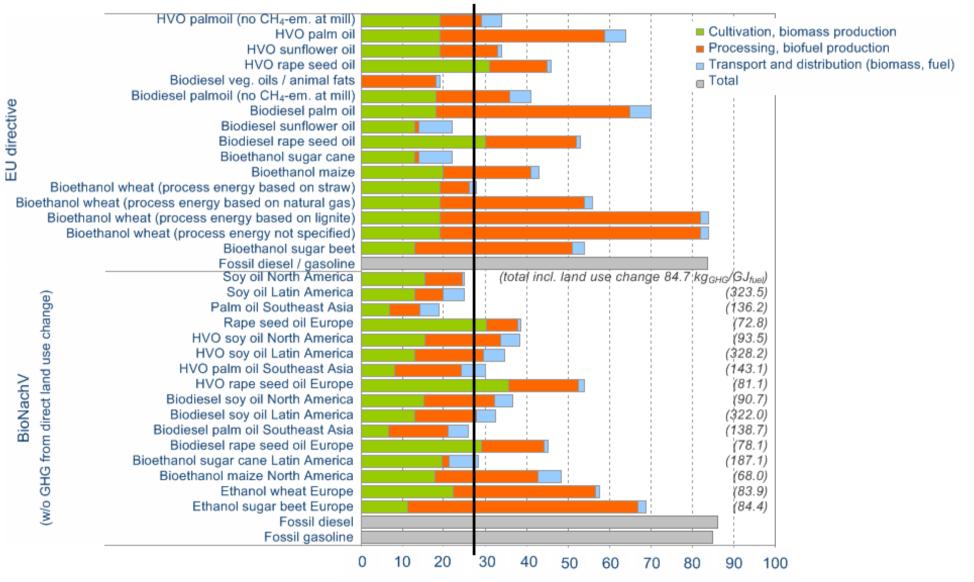


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| | EU DIRECTIVE (PROPOSAL) | BIOMASS SUSTAINABILITY DECREE (PROPOSAL), (GER) |
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| Requirements on the production of the biomass used | Biofuels shall not be made from raw material obtained from land that had one of the following statuses in January 2008: Wetlands including peatland; forest, permanent grassland | Sustainable cultivation of agricultural areas (e.g. cross compliance) Requirements to safeguard natural habitats |
| Requirements on the minimum GHG mitigation potential | 35% from 2009 | 30% from 2009, 40% from 2011 |



Environmental aspects GHG emissions – default values under discussion



Default values for GHG mitigation potentials in kg_{GHG}/GJ_{fuel}



Thank you for your attention

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