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Biomethane & 10% RES in transport RED target

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EU Framework conditions for RES-T New EC proposal 2012/0288 (COD) of 17.10.2012

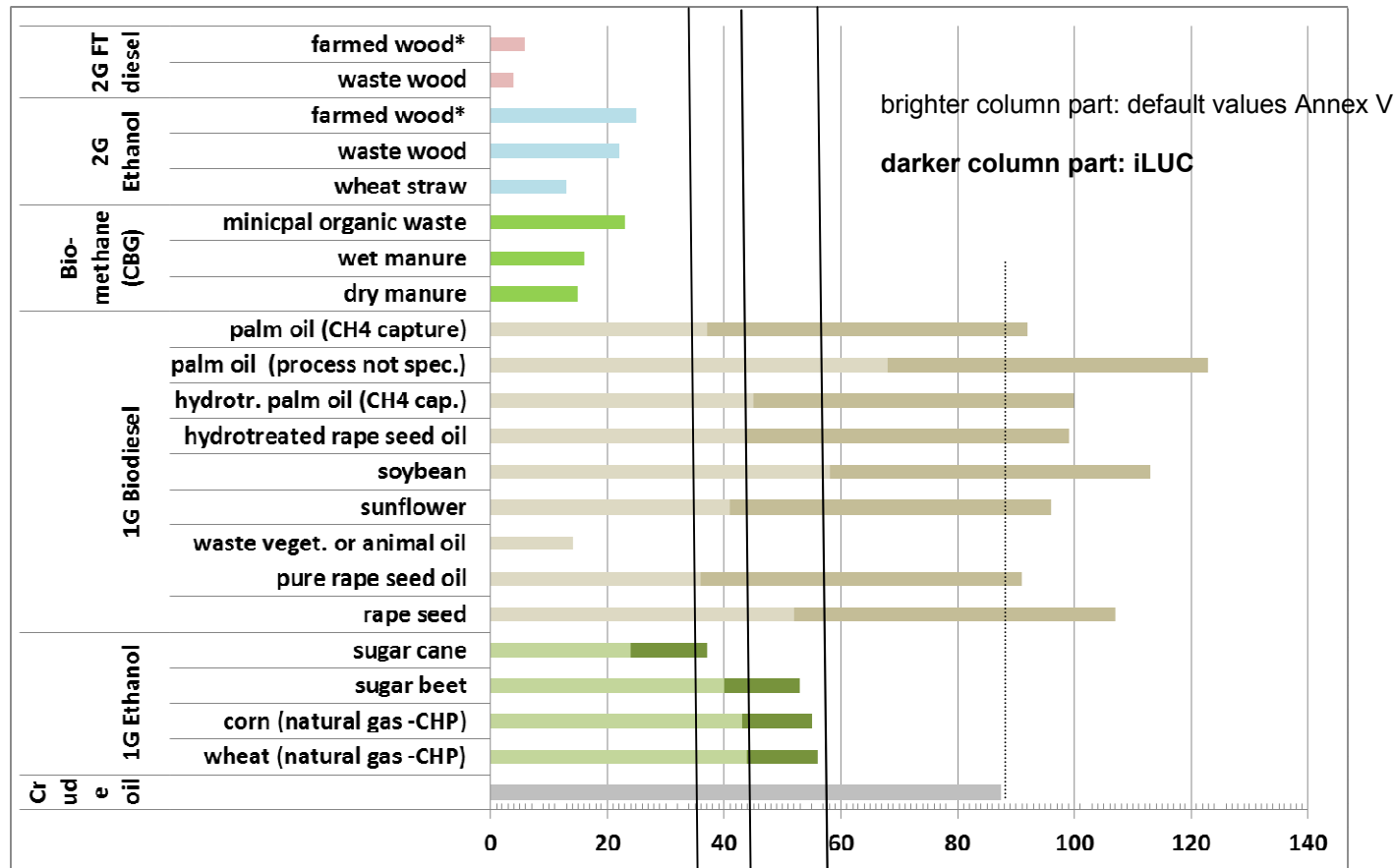
- RES Directive 2009/28/EC **transport target shall remain**
 - **Energy from RES must substitute 10% of energy** used as petrol, diesel and biofuels consumed in road and rail transport, and electricity **used in all forms of transport by 2020** according to the.
- The energy content of biofuels **counts towards the 10% target**
 - **twice** for used cooking oil, classified animal fats, non-food cellulosic material, and ligno-cellulosic material except saw and veneer logs,
 - **four times** for the biomass fraction of municipal and industrial waste, sewage sludge, animal manure, cobs, straw ...,
 - **with a factor of 2.5** for electricity from renewable energy sources consumed by electric road vehicles
- The share of energy from biofuels produced from **cereal and other starch rich crops, sugars and oil crops** shall be **no more than** the final consumption of energy in transport by end of 2011 in 2020 or 5% of the energy used in transport in 2020, respectively.

Mandatory GHG emission reductions

New EC proposal 2012/0288 (COD) of 17.10.2012

- Member states **can subsidise and count biofuels** and bioliquids towards the 10% target **only, if the GHG emission reduction** achieved is
 - **at least 35% compared to fossil fuels** by plants existing on or before 1.7.2014; this requirement rises to **at least 50%** by 1.1.2018 for these facilities,
 - **at least 60%** for biofuels and bioliquids produced in new installations, commissioned after 1.7.2014
- According to the new proposal the **estimated GHG-emission values for indirect land-use change (iLUC)** must be published and have to be considered with the calculation of GHG reductions by 2021

Default GHG emission (RED Annex V) and suggested iLUC¹ GHG values



GHG emissions in g CO₂eq per MJ of fuel

*iLUC for farmed wood could not be estimated

35% reduction (by plants existing on or before 1.7.2014)
 50% reduction (for plants existing on 1.7.2014 by 1.1.2018)
 60% reduction (by plants starting operation after 1.7.2014)

RES-T in EU-27 2010 and 2020 according to nREAPs

- RES-T in EU-27 Renewable Energy Action Plans (REAPs) (Source: ECN)

	2010	2020	2010-2020	
Bioethanol / Bio-ETBE	34	85	51	TWh
Biodiesel	128	251	123	TWh
Hydrogen from renewables	0	0	0	TWh
Renewable electricity	15	36	21	TWh
Other biofuels	2	9	7	TWh
Total	179	381	202	TWh

- According to Enerdata 169 TWh RES-T were consumed in 2010
- 381 TWh RES-T were expected to be needed in 2020 (+210 TWh)
- Stop of expansion of biodiesel and bioethanol usage (EC proposal)?
- How to fill the possible gap of ~180 TWh RES-T by 2020?

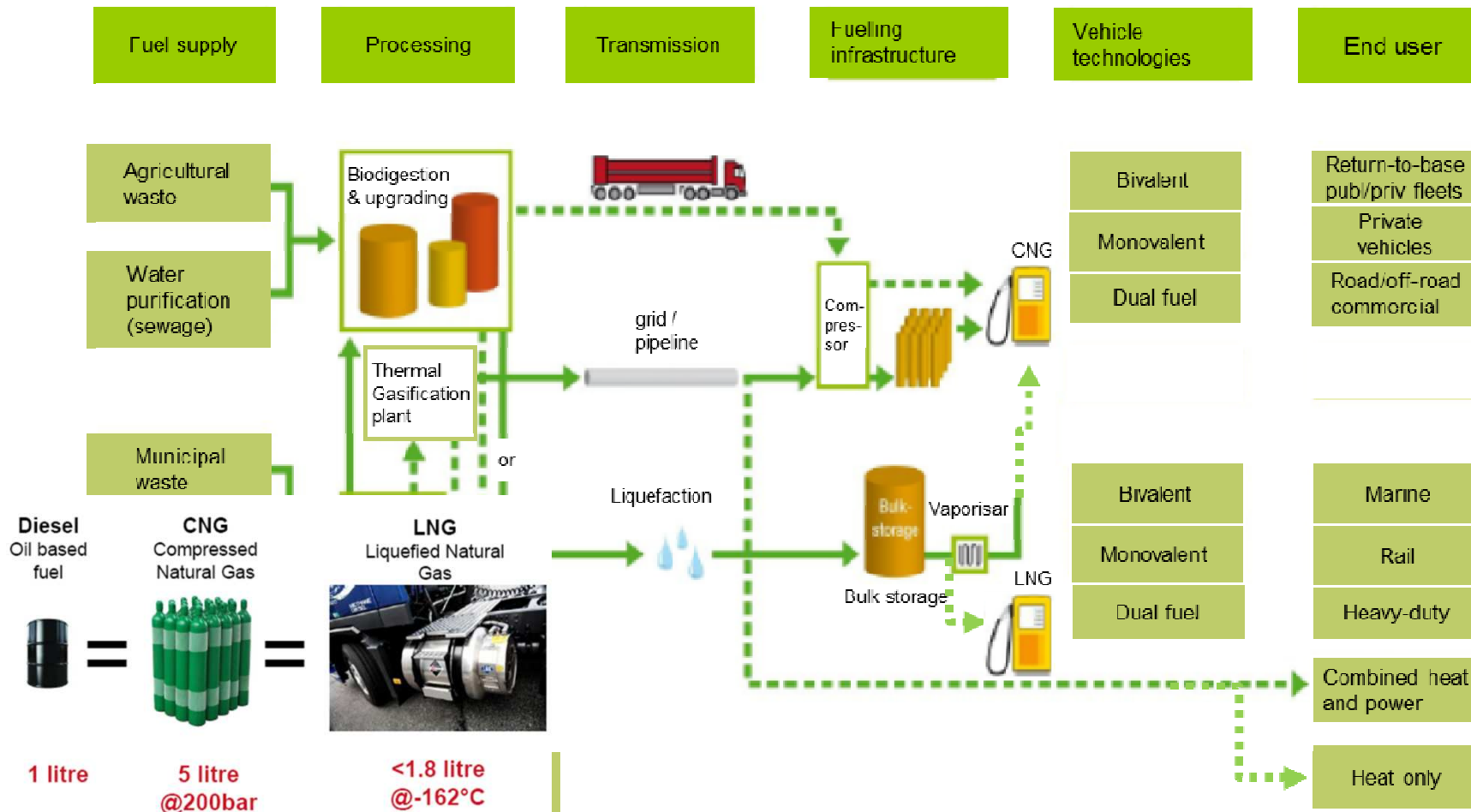
Technical biomethane potential by 2020 in EU-27 (without usage of food and fodder)

Origin		Potential	Potential 2020	Usage 2009	Techn. add. available until 2020
Biogas from	Source	Aebiom	Aebiom	EurObserver	Aebiom 2020 – EurObserver 2009
	Unit	TWh	TWh	TWh	TWh
Agriculture	Straw	96	5	50	3
	Manure	197	69		43
	Energy crops				
	Landscape mgn	12	5		3
Waste	Municipal biowaste	96	38		24
	Industrial biowaste	29	14		9
	Sewage Sludge	58	38	12	27
	Landfill gas	50	40	35	5
Total		537	210	97	113

- DBFZ study: technical biogas potential of 270 TWh for 2020 from animal manure & litter and herbaceous biomass residues along EU-27 gas networks
- >+100 TWh bioagas technically available until 2020, partly usable as CBG
- CBG from waste could be counted four times towards 10% RES-T target
 - Eurostat: CBG is counted fully, if it is used pure; for “grid extracted CBG” only the Ø ntl. grid biogas share is counted

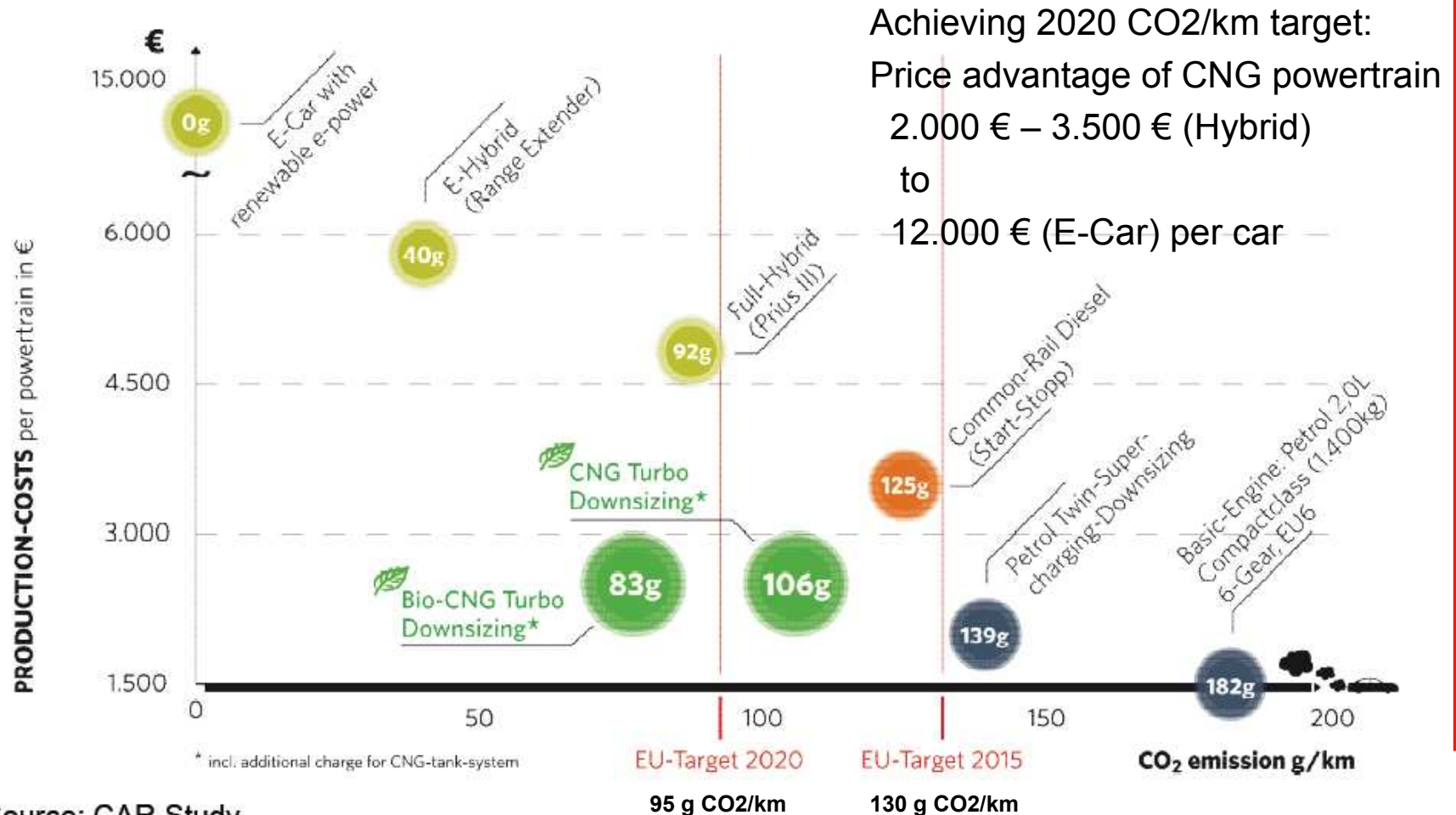
1) 90% recovery of a conservative estimate of 4 mill. ton CH₄/yr emitted per year. Source: H. Scharff 2008: Untapped potential – Achieving adequate control of landfill gas in Europe

Possible CBG production and utilization pathways



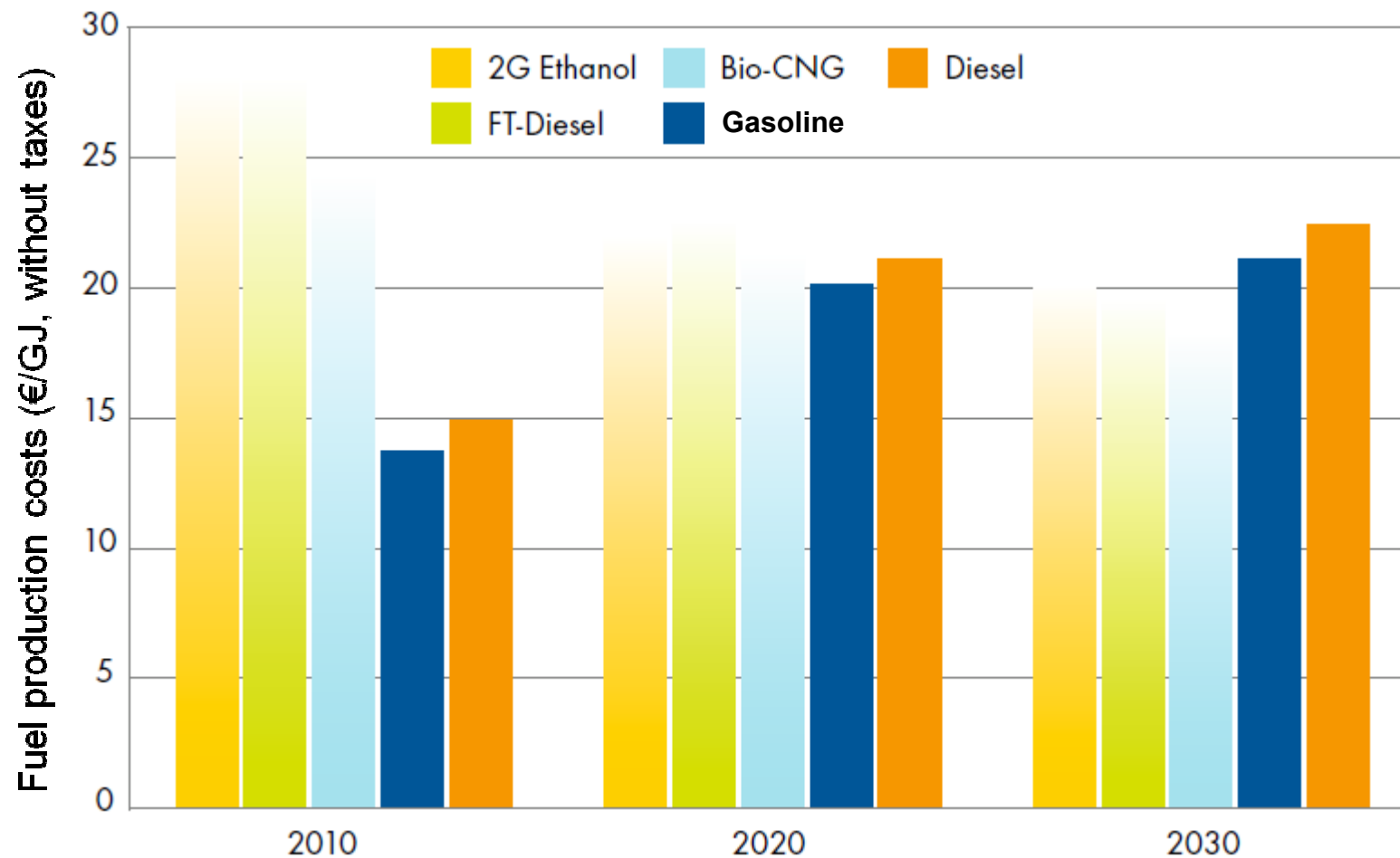
Obligatory car CO₂-reduction requirements

Production costs per powertrain



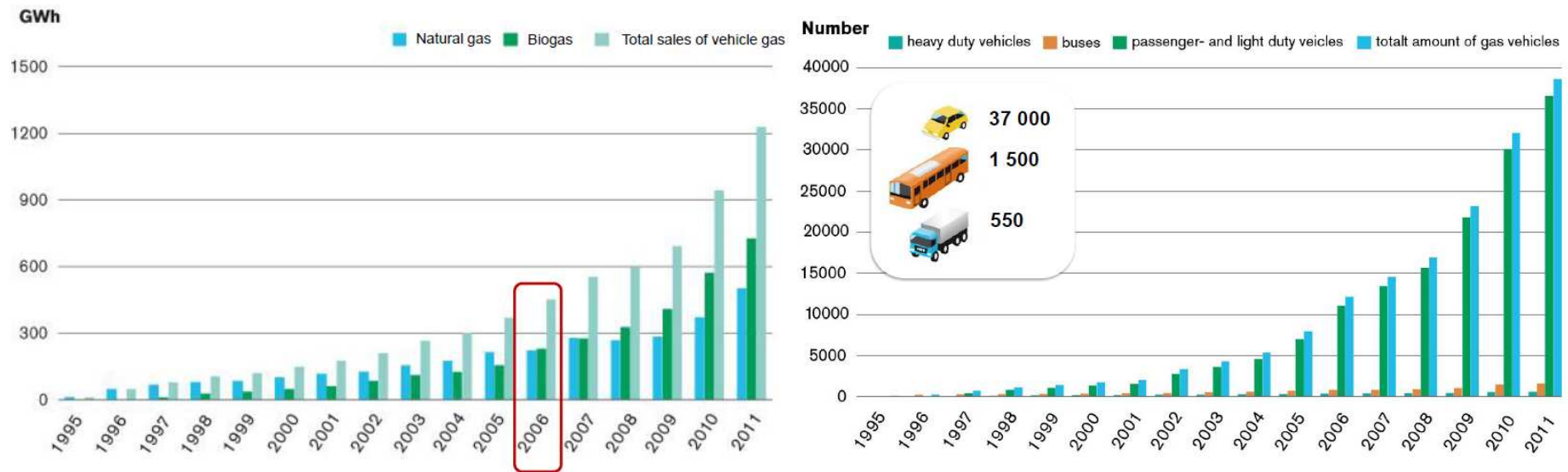
Source: CAR Study

Possible cost development 2010-2030



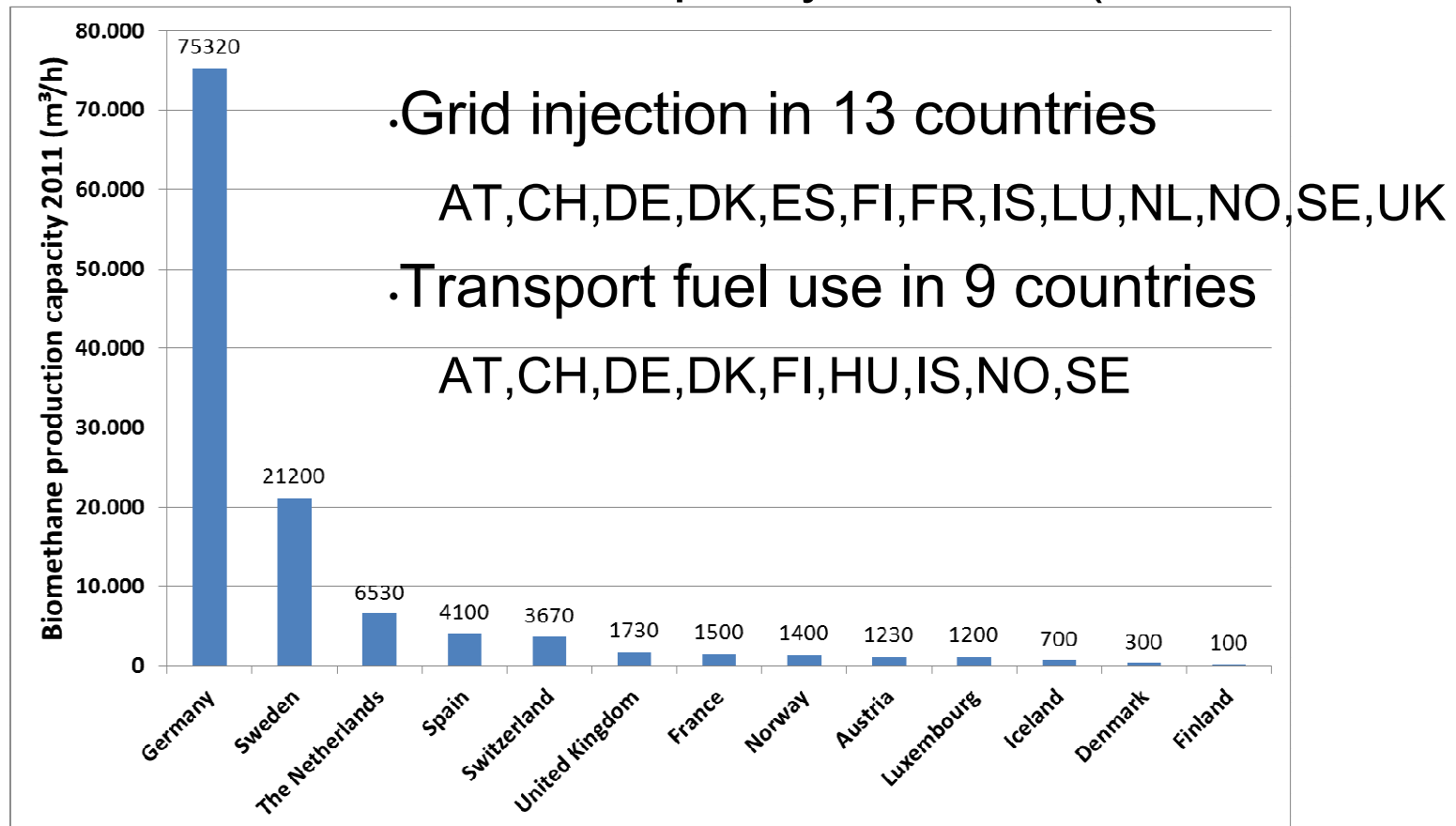
Development of the CBG market in Sweden

- Rapid growth in the last 10 years
 - +1 TWh compressed methane gas (CMG)
 - Thereof +600 GWh biomethane (CBG), 720 GWh 2011



Installed biomethane production capacity 2010, Europe

- 2010 about 7.5 TWh/a capacity installed (119,000 m³/h)



Status of CNG infrastructure in EU-27 by the end of 2011

- CNG fuel stations
 - 2,800; there are 131,000 petrol stations; i.e. 2.1%
- Number of CNG vehicles
 - 995,000 cars (LD), of 230 mio.; i.e. 0.4%
 - 12,500 buses (MD+HD), ~70,000 in cities; i.e. 18%
 - 5,500 trucks (MD+HD); ~20,000 refuse collection trucks in cities
- Theoretical existing CNG consumption
 - 27 TWh (2,8 bcm)
 - If cars need 22 MWh/a, buses & trucks 360 MWh/a

Source: NGVA, status by end of 2011

LD (Light Duty), MD (Medium Duty), HD (Heavy Duty)

Status of CNG infrastructure in AT

By March 2013

- 175 public CNG stations (of 2,500 petrol stations; 7.0%)
- ~40 private, company owned CNG stations



- 7,000 CNG vehicles (of 5,4 Mio. vehicles in AT; 0.1%)

Marketing of biomethane as a fuel

- 2006 Bio-CNG (20% biomethane, 80% natural gas)
- Biomethane Certificates at CNG fuel station (Salzburg)
- Dedicated biomethane fuel stations (pure fuel)
 - 1. Organic waste treatment company (Rechnitz)



2. Linz AG (88 public buses; 50 cars 66.7% biomethane, 24.5 GWh)



3. Agricultural biogas plants (Eugendorf, Margarethen/Moos, Güssing)



Crucial factors for building up a new biomethane fuel market

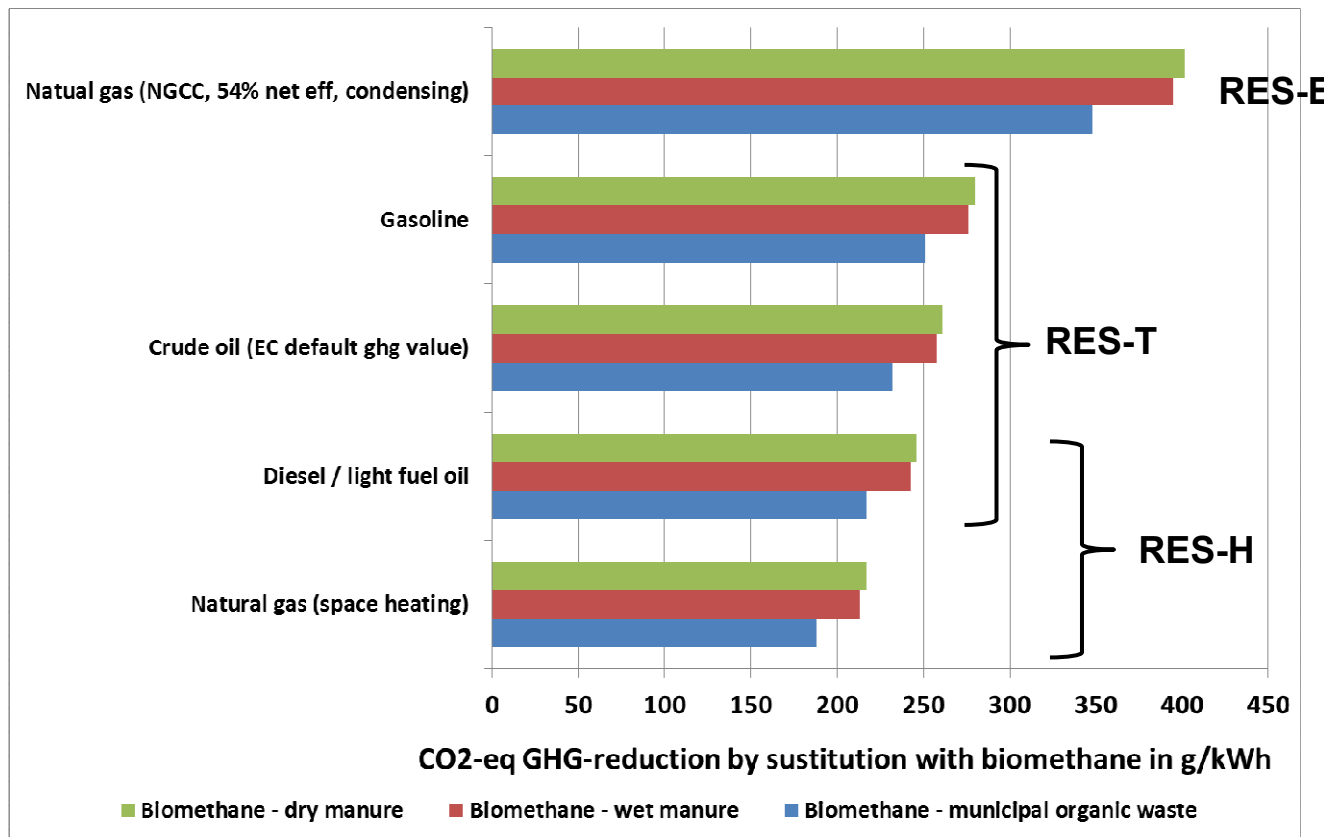
- Investment security
- Local demand
 - Basic CNG fuelling infrastructure (preferably in cities)
 - Captive NG/biomethane fleets at return-to-base truck and bus operations (by private public partnerships)
- The local government is a crucial market factor itself
 - should act accordingly, key target groups should be involved
- Legal and market barriers should be removed
- Targeted policy measures should be developed
 - fixed long-term financial and non-financial incentives (e.g. subsidies, tax cuts and exemptions, parking benefits, vehicle access regulations..)
 - green public procurement regarding fuels and vehicles
 - blend to CNG (green branding, cooperative marketing activities)

Conclusions

- (Bio-)Methane is a “ready-to-go” transport fuel
- Biomethane has a lot of benefits, especially if it is produced from waste and used in cities
- (Bio-)Methane has a high potential in the transport sector in the medium and long term
- „Pure CBG“ from organic waste might become countable four times towards the RES-T 2020 target of the RED
 - Disadvantageous approach of Eurostat for “grid CBG”
- Infrastructure would need to be built up to facilitate a broader market take-up of (bio-)methane gas vehicles
- Public authorities’ decisions on infrastructure, taxation and possible incentives will have a powerful influence

Comparison of biomethane utilisation in terms for GHG-reductions

- Highest CO₂-eq GHG-reduction if electricity from natural gas is substituted



Thank you for your attention

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