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Biogas – The Danish Model

- Renewable gas based on circular economy

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Danish Biogas Association

The organisationen for all stakeholders in biogas

Mission

- Promote production and use
- Promote cirkular economy
- Capacity building
- Network and knowledge sharing

Members

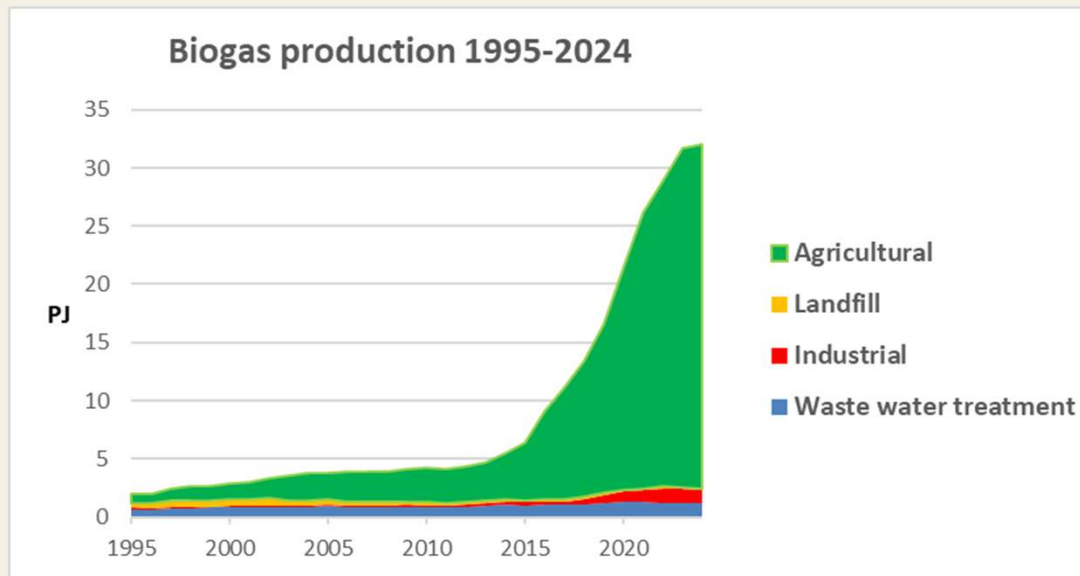
- Producers and users of biogas
- Biomass suppliers and users
- Technology and equipment suppliers
- Consultants and knowledge institutions
- Energy, waste and agriculture sectors
- Approximately 245 members



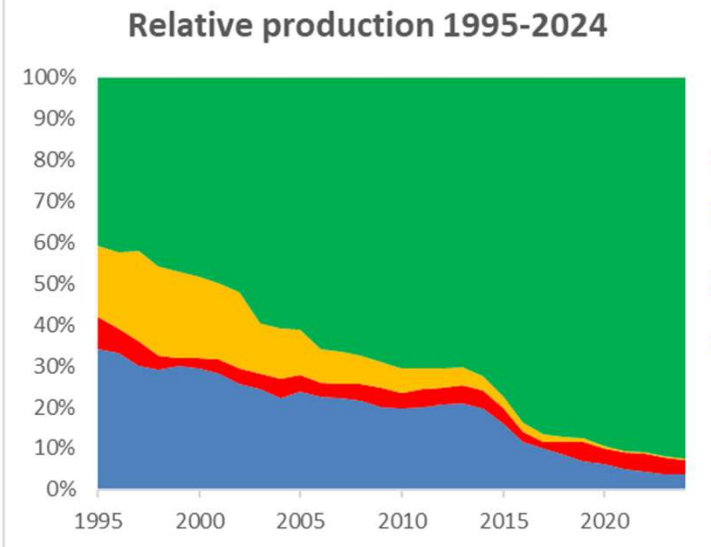
Biogas - a rapidly developing sector

From urban service to rural development and green transition

Expanding biogas production

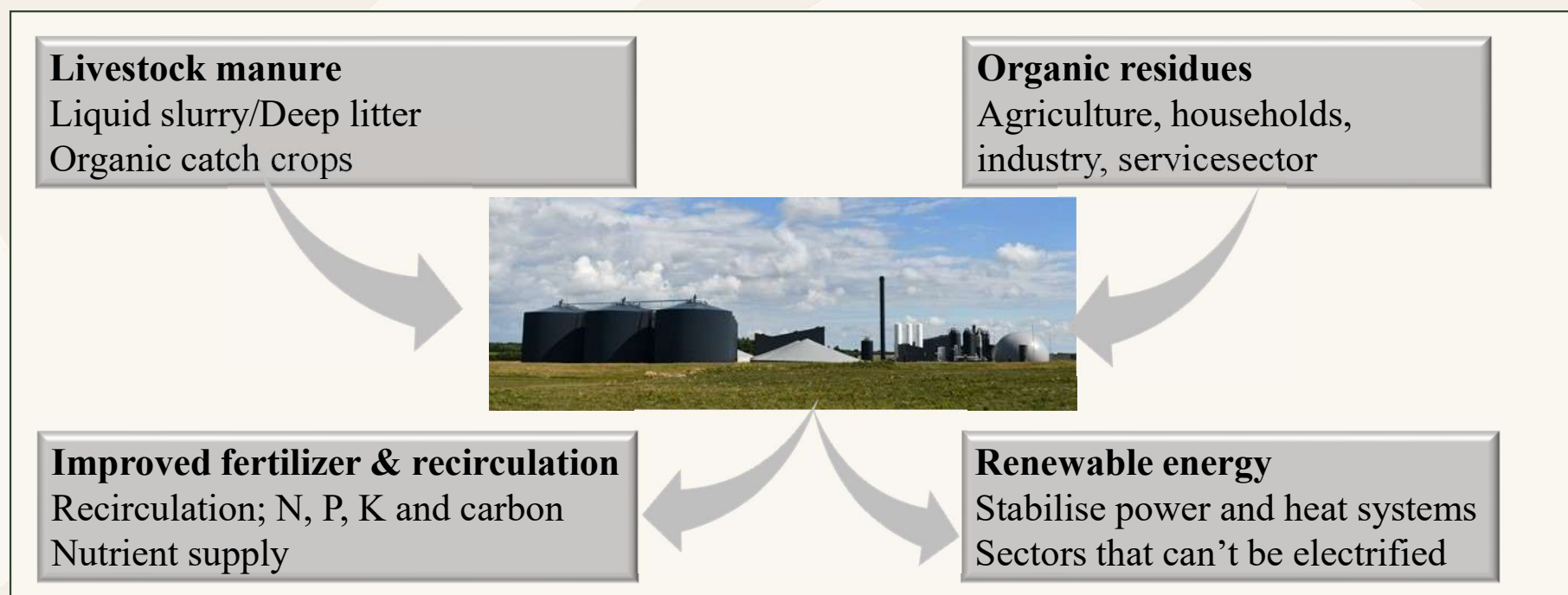


Danish biogas is agricultural based



Danish Biogas Model

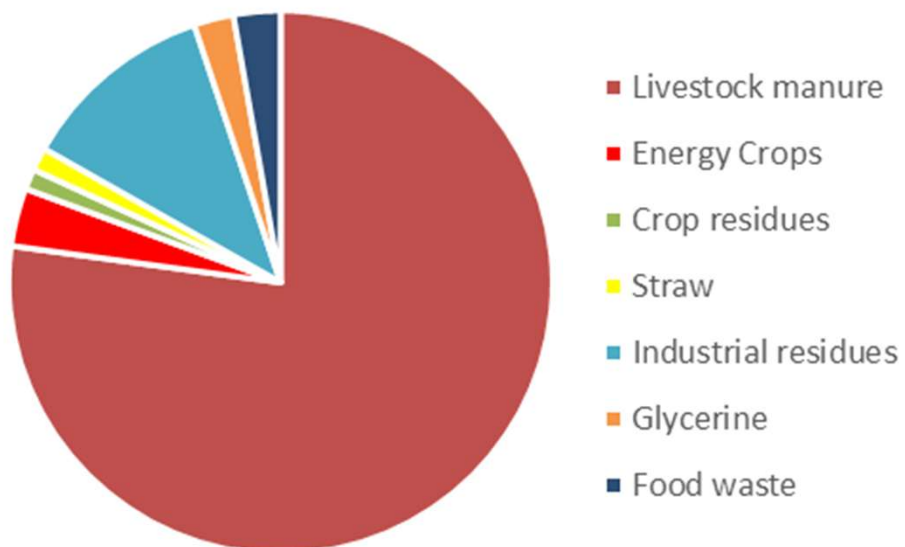
Sustainable agriculture and security of supply of renewable gas based on residues



Based on residues

From agriculture, industry and households

Tonnes input *

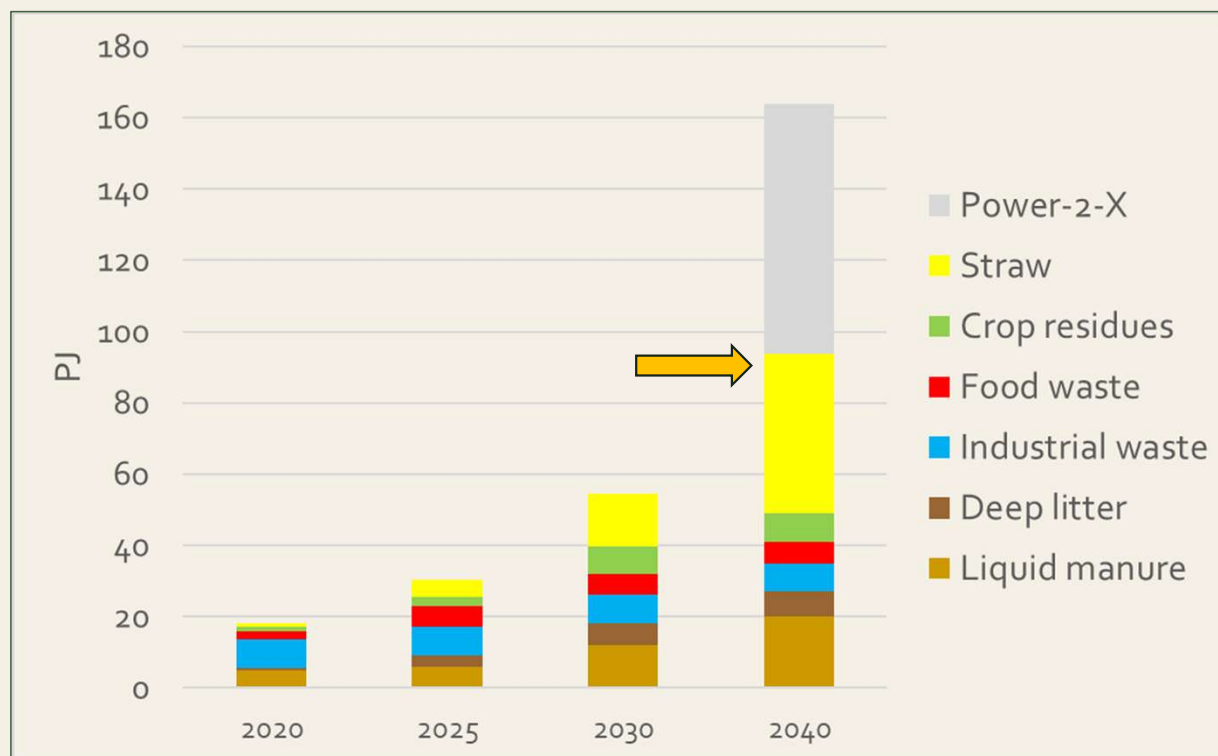


Biogas produced *



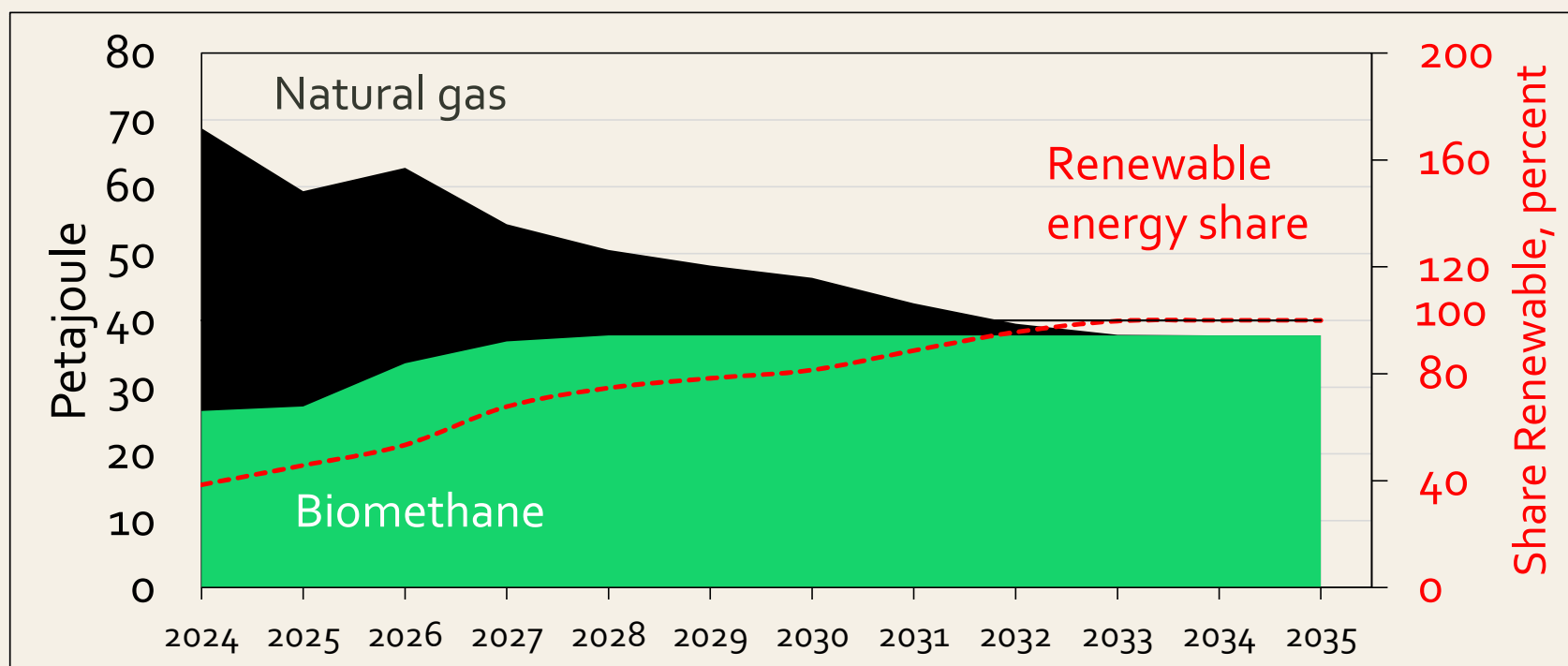
Resources are key

Biogas potential 2020 – 2040*



From fossil to green gas

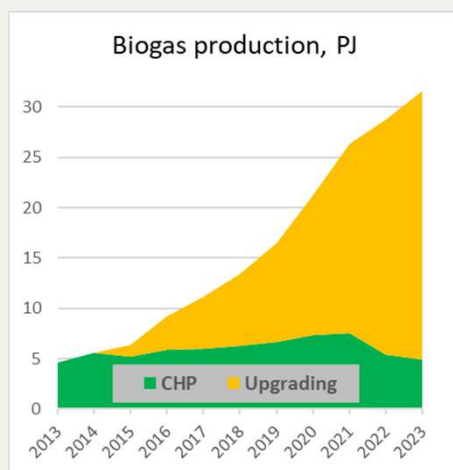
Rapid green transition of gas supply



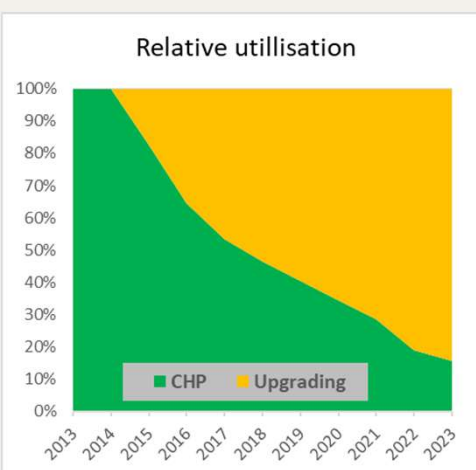
Biogas – the storable Renewable Energy

Fast turn-around from CHP to upgrading - greening the gas grid

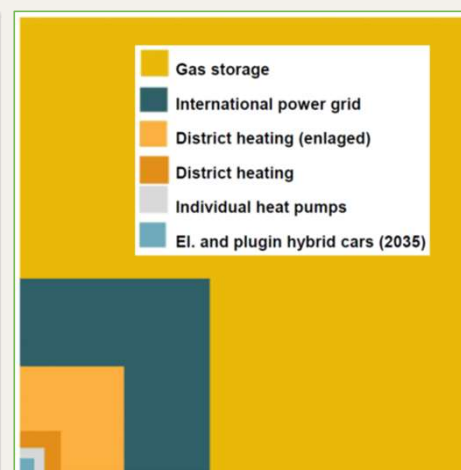
Rapid growth



Growth is in upgrading



Gas grid: the big battery*

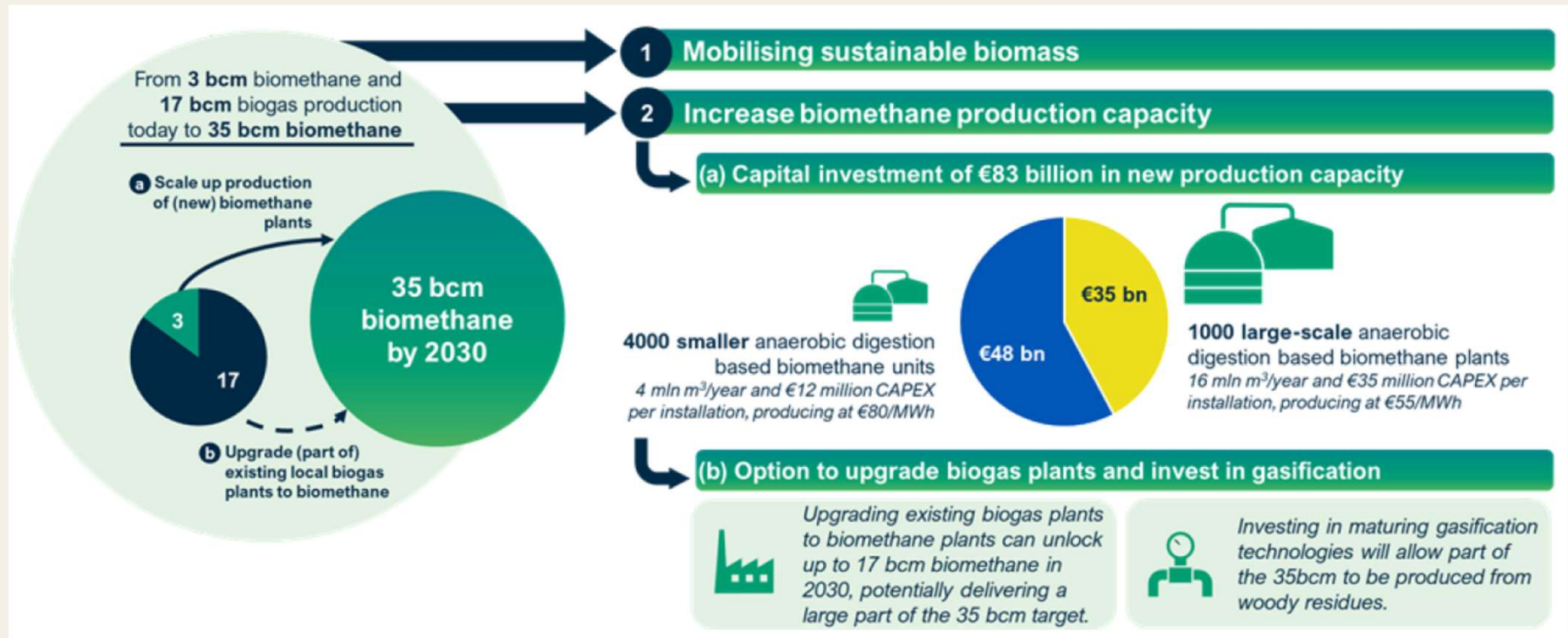


* The Danish gas grid can store energy in biomethane equal to the electricity to power all electric cars on a parking lot 13 times around the Earth



REPowerEU: 35 bcm biomethane

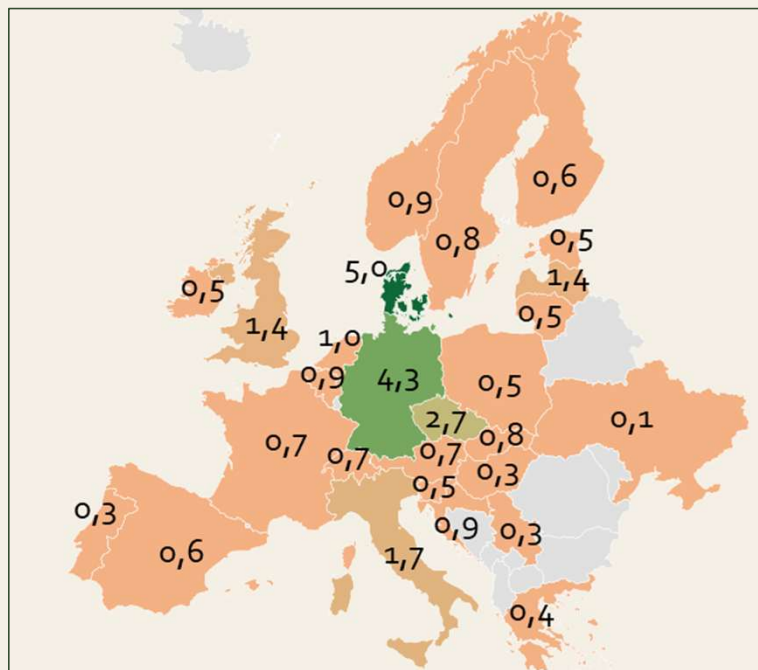
Very ambitious target in 2020 following the Russian aggression in Ukraine



European frontrunners

Denmark on track to deliver on the EU 35 bcm target by 2030

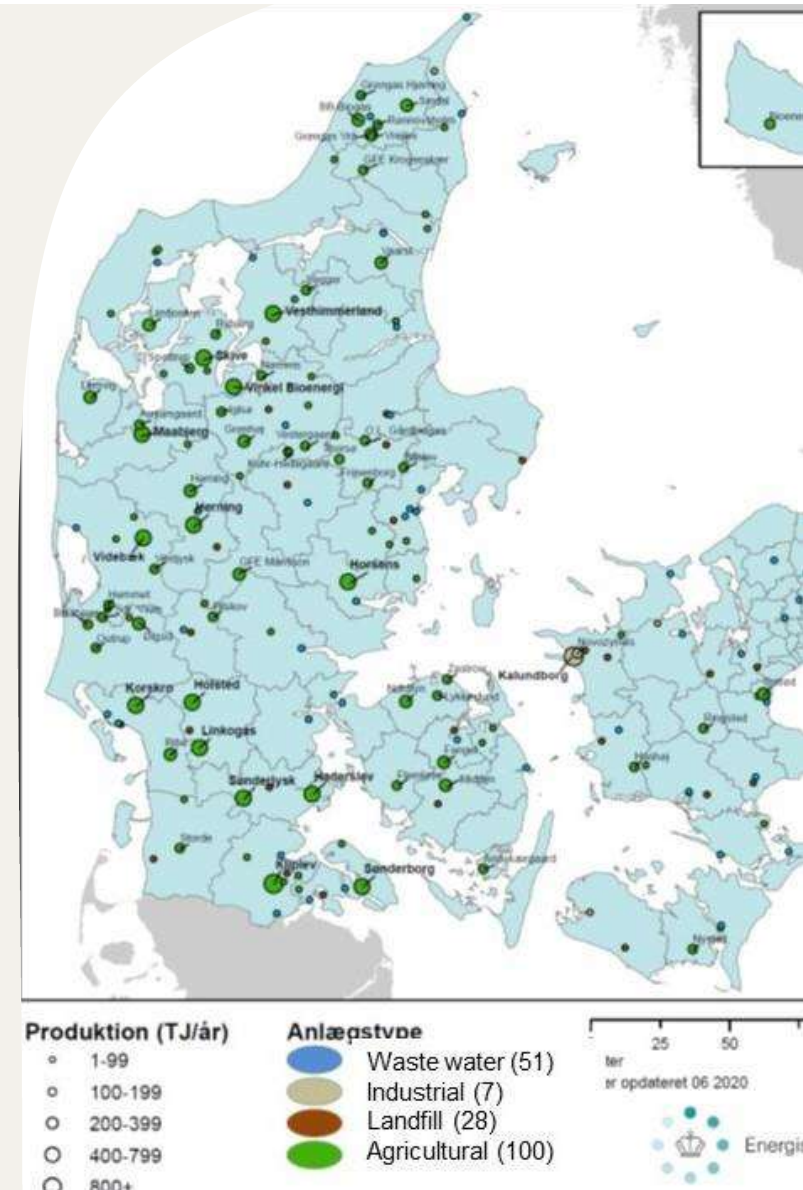
Biogas production (GJ per capita)

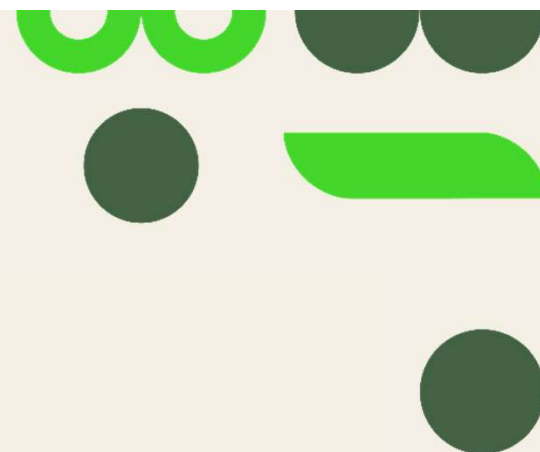


Danish Biogas Plants



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A shift in framework conditions

From Feed-In-Tariffs / Premiums to Tenders to market pull

2012 Energy Agreement

Specific FiT for different purposes

- CHP, Gas grid, Industry, Transport, Heat
- Originally without limit (volume, time)
- Guaranteed for 20 years for fixed volume
- Up to 42 PJ per year

Framework conditions*

Biogas - a tool in many policies

Agricultural policy	Energy policy	Circular economy	Climate
Green growth 2009 • Investment grants • Target: In 2020 50 % of livestock manure into biogas plants	Energy agreement 2012 • Improved FiT (power) • New FiT upgrading, transportation, process and heat	Ressource strategy 2013 • In 2023 reuse 50 % of household waste • Organic fraction from incineration to biogas	Climate law 2019 • 70 % reduction of greenhouse gas emissions by 2030 • Climate partnerships



The Green tripartite

The worlds first carbon tax on biological processes

Central elements

- Tax on GHG emissions*
- Aquatic environment protection
- Turn around in arable land use
- Doubling of organic acreage



* Carbon tax per ton CO₂e

- 2030: 40 €
- 2035: 100 €

Biogenic CO₂ – an important resource

Examples of current use

Horsens Bioenergi



Nature Energy Korskro



GrønGas Hjørring



European Energy Kassø / Tønder Biogas



Biogenic CO₂

A very important molecule in future fossil free society

“Biological” use

Food

- Ingredient (sparkling)
- Controlled atmosphere

Production

- Greenhouses (terrestrial)
- Algae (aquatic)

Killing

- Anesthesia in slaughterhouses
- Controlling pests in stores

Technical use

Energy

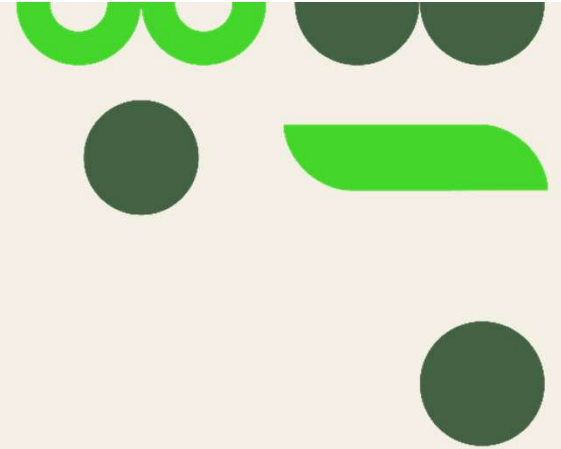
- E-methane
- E-methanol

Materials

- Plastics og polymeres
- Cement

Technical

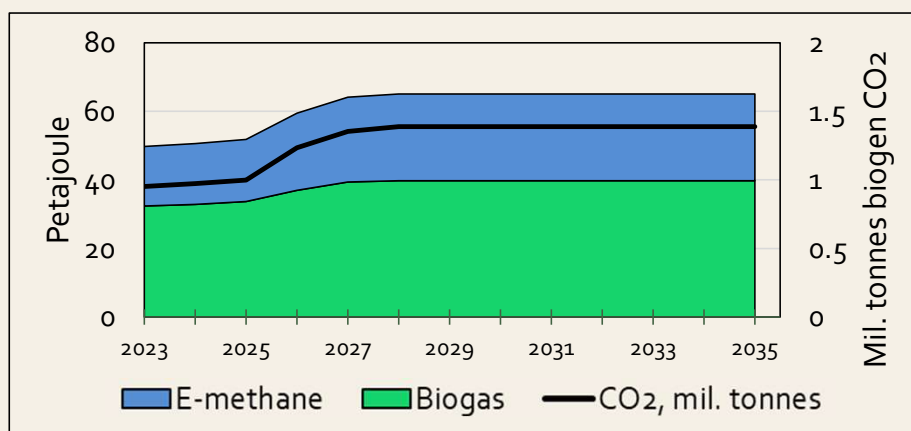
- Cooling
- Controlled atmosphere (semiconductors)



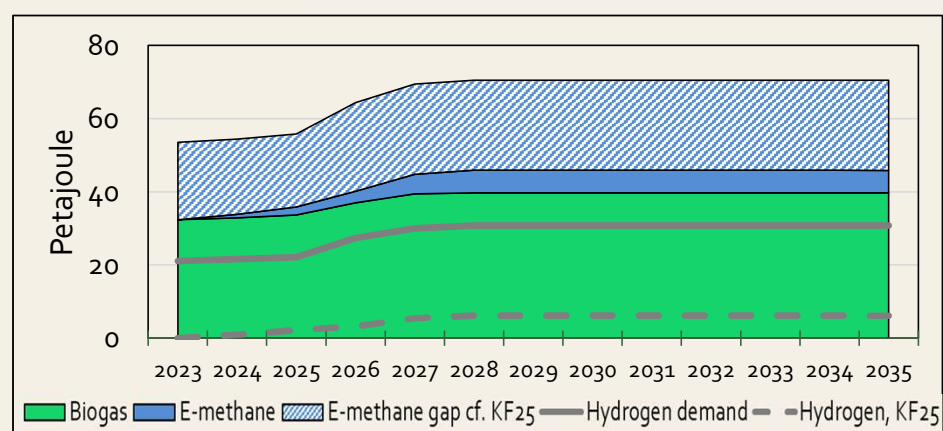
Huge PtX-potential from biogas

Hydrogen and electrolyzer capacity the limiting factor

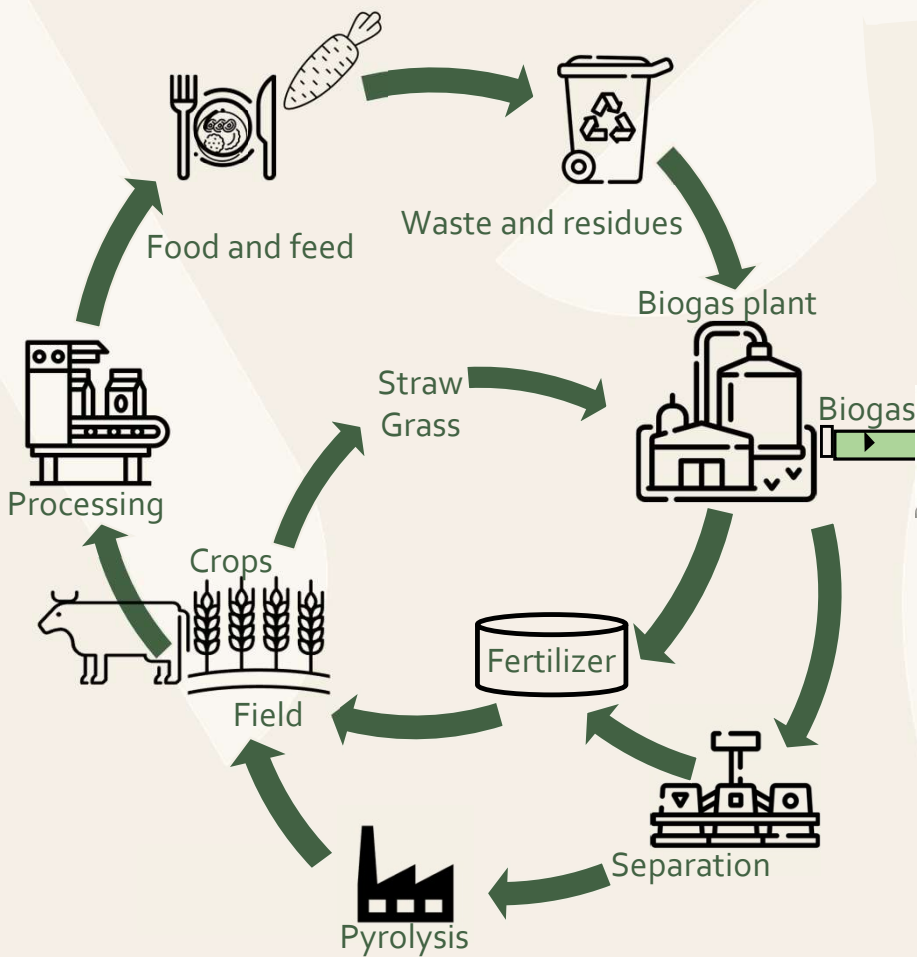
Biogenic CO₂ and e-methane potential



Hydrogen supply will be limiting factor



Biogas: circular economy and sector integration



Solutions to multiple challenges

Production and use of biogas has several positive effects

Advantages of biogas

- Reduced leaching of nitrates
- Recirculation of nutrients
- Reduced greenhouse gas emission from agriculture and energy sectors
- Storable renewable energy
- Jobs in construction, management and maintenance

Biogas – a key in many sectors

- Sustainable agriculture / food production
- Circular economy / waste handling
- Climate change / greenhouse gas mitigation
- Security of supply / geopolitical situation



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