



EUROPEAN BIOGAS CONFERENCE

25 — 26 OCTOBER 2022

PROGRAMME

DAY 1 – 25 October 2022 - Blue Point - Bd Auguste Reyers 80, Brussels

09:00 Opening doors and welcome coffee

10:00 Keynote speeches:

- Anders Mathiasson, **EBA President**
- Mechthild Wörtsdörfer, **Deputy Director European Commission DG Energy**
- Jan Dusík, **Deputy Minister for Climate Protection, Czech Republic**

10:30 Morning plenary – Biomethane across Europe: National perspectives on the implementation of REPowerEU and NECPs

- Lisbet Ølgaard, **Head of Division Centre for Renewables at the Danish Energy Agency**
- Giovanni Perrella, **Senior Energy Advisor, Energy department, Ministry of Ecological Transition, Italy**
- Dinand Drankier, **Programme Manager at Ministry of Economic Affairs and Climate, The Netherlands**
- Isidoro J. Romero Cerrato, **Deputy General Director of Hydrocarbons and New Fuels, Ministry of Ecological Transition, Spain**

12:00 Eat and meet (networking lunch)

13:00 Breakout sessions – Decarbonising the EU Economy:

On-Road Off Road: the journey to green fuels – PLENARY ROOM

- Introductory speech from Elsi Katainen, **Member of the European Parliament TRAN Committee**
- ‘Contribution of green fuels to sustainable agriculture’ - Egide Vandeveld, **Director of Alternative Fuels Europe, New Holland Agriculture**
- ‘Greening maritime transport’ - Magnus Folkelid, **Global Sales Manager at Wärtsilä Gas Solutions – Biogas Solutions**
- ‘Fueling mobility with biomethane’ - Riaan van Kralingen – **Biofuel Broker at Olyx**
- ‘Impact of Fit for 55 in the transport sector’ - Victor Bernabeu, **Senior Policy Advisor at Eurogas**

Carbon Strategies for Industries – NEWTON ROOM

- ‘Innovation for a future-proof industry sector’ - Maria Georgiadou, **Senior Expert, DG RESEARCH European Commission**
- ‘Securing green jobs and energy for the European industry’ - Sophie Grenade, **Policy Adviser at industriAll Europe**
- ‘Decarbonising all energy uses with biomethane’ - Luca Marcovati, **Renewable Marketing Expert, Pietro Fiorentini**
- ‘Greening European businesses across Europe’ - Lorenzo Lerra, **Regional Sourcing Manager, Energy Procurement, DPDHL**

Carbon-neutral buildings and homes - PASTEUR & BAEKELAND ROOM

- ‘The role of energy system integration and renewable gases in a carbon neutral future’ - James Kneebone, **Research Associate, Florence School of Regulation**
- ‘A fair energy transition for European consumers’ - Emmanuelle Causse, **Secretary General of the International Union of Property Owners (UIPI)**
- ‘Key considerations for decarbonising the buildings sector’ - Aurélie Beauvais, **Managing Director at Euroheat & Power**
- ‘The strategic role of off-grid renewable gases’ - Goher-Ur-Rehman Mir, **Global Policy Manager Sustainable Fuels at SHV Energy**

14:30 Afternoon break

15:00 Afternoon plenary – Biomethane made in Europe: Delivering 35 bcm by 2030

- Introductory speech from Diederik Samsom, **Head of Cabinet of Executive Vice-President Frans Timmermans, European Commission**
- ‘A global perspective on biomethane deployment’ - Peter Zeniewski, **WEO Energy Analyst, Energy Supply and Investment Outlook Division at the International Energy Agency**
- ‘Boosting biomethane production from waste streams’ - David Lamy, **SVP Strategy and Sustainable Development at Suez**
- ‘Role of biomass energy in climate-change mitigation’ - André Faaij, **Director of Science Unit “Energy Transition” at TNO, Professor Energy System Analysis at Utrecht University, Member at IPCC (Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change)**

16:00 BIP Launch

- Keynote from Janusz Wojciechowski, **European Commissioner for Agriculture**
- Introduction of the BIP and the Task Forces

17:00 Closing 1st day sessions and Cocktail reception

Harmen Dekker, **CEO of the EBA**

20:00 Gala Dinner and EBA Awards Ceremony at Maison du Bois

Transportation to Conference and Gala Dinner for participants staying at Indigo hotel will be provided. The Gala Dinner will take place at Maison du Bois (Av des Volontaires 2, 1040 Brussels)

DAY 2 – 26 October 2022 - Blue Point - Bd Auguste Reyers 80, Brussels

- 09:00** | **Opening doors and welcome coffee**
- 10:00** | **Keynote speeches:**
- Giulia Cancian, **Secretary General of EBA**
 - Prof. Erik Meers, **PhD in Bioscience Engineering and Member of the EBA Executive Board**
- 10:30** | **Morning plenary – What is missing to have a successful renewable gas system in Europe? – PLENARY ROOM**
- ‘Cross-border trade of biomethane’ - Gabrielle Gauthey, **Senior VP for European Public Affairs at TotalEnergies**
 - ‘Getting the gas grid ready for biomethane injection’ - Riccardo Galletta, **Policy Officer - Gas Markets and Energy Retail at the Agency for the Cooperation of Energy Regulators**
 - ‘Delivering green hydrogen to decarbonise gas grids’ - Felicia Mester, **Director of Public Affairs at Hydrogen Europe**
 - ‘Greening gas infrastructure’ - Torben Brabo, **President at GIE**
 - ‘Injecting biomethane in the distribution grids’ - Germán Medina, **Head of Gas Advocacy at NEDGIA**
- 12:00** | **Eat and meet (networking lunch)**
- 13:00** | **Afternoon plenary – Are there enough feedstocks to produce sustainable biomethane? – PLENARY ROOM**
- Introductory speech from Galin Gentchev, **DG ENER, European Commission**
 - ‘Untapping the potential of organic waste in biogas production’ - Vanya Veras, **Secretary General, Municipal Waste Europe**
 - ‘Use of biomethane as a renewable energy source’ - Chelsea Baldino, **Researcher, International Council on Clean Transportation**
 - ‘Biomethane production potentials in the EU’ – Gemma Toop, **Associate Director-Energy, Sustainability & Infrastructure at Guidehouse**
 - ‘Decarbonising the EU Economy with sustainable biogas production’ - Nicolas Spilliaert, **Strategy Advisor, Corporate & biogas Development at Storengy - ENGIE**
- 14:30** | **Afternoon break**
- 15:00** | **Breakout sessions – Driving the green transition**
- Biogas as driver of the agroecological transition – PLENARY ROOM*
- Introductory speech from Theodora Nikolakopoulou, **DG GROW, European Commission**
 - ‘Farmers as drivers of the energy transition’ – João Pacheco, **Senior Fellow of Farm Europe**
 - ‘Key takeaways from a study on the nitrogen fertilising value and carbon sequestration potential of digestate(s)’ - Gregory Reuland, **PhD Researcher, Bioscience Engineering Faculty, Ghent University**
 - ‘Map and assess the potential and impact of alternative fertilisers produced from secondary raw materials’ – Paolo Di Stefano, **Head of Brussels Office of Coldiretti**
- Greennovation with biogas technologies - NEWTON*
- ‘Opportunities of the European Innovation Fund’ – Agata Prządka, **Project Manager Innovation Fund at CINEA, European Climate, Infrastructure and Environment Executive Agency**

- ‘CO2 valorisation in biomethane production’ – James McGreer, **Director of the Renewable Gas Forum Ireland**
- ‘Splitting biogas into biohydrogen and pure carbon’ – Marina Pasteris, **Technical Project Officer, European Biogas Association**
- ‘Ready-to-use technologies: microscale bio-LNG and CO2 liquefaction’ - Giorgio Copelli, **Director Industry & Renewables, ECOSPRAY**

Financing green growth by investing on the biomethane value chain - PASTEUR & BAEKELAND ROOM

- ‘EBA study on monetisation of positive externalities’ – Sacha Alberici, **Associate Director - Energy, Sustainability and Infrastructure at Guidehouse**
- ‘Financing biomethane deployment’ - Laurent Thery, **Venture Partner, Eiffel Investment Group**
- ‘Biomethane cost competitiveness’ – Daan Peters, **Managing Director, Common Futures**
- ‘Country tailored guidance for feasibility analysis’ - Lorenzo Maggioni, **Head of R&D, Consorzio Italiano Biogas**

16:30

Closing and wrap-up

Harmen Dekker, **CEO of the EBA**