



European Biomass Industry Association

OVERVIEW ON EUROPEAN POLICY FRAMEWORK INFLUENCING MICROALGAE MARKET

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Policy Framework

Within the context of the Europe 2020 Strategy, the EC has published a series of relevant Communications for the microalgae sector

Regarding the bioeconomy sector:

- **Blue Growth Communication and Action Plan** (COM(2012) 494 and COM(2014) 254)
- **Bioeconomy Strategy for Europe** (COM(2012) 60)

Within the field of biofuels, the policy framework is defined in the following documents:

- **White Paper on Transport** (COM(2011) 144)
- **European Alternative Fuels Strategy** (COM(2013) 17)

Legal Framework

Novel Foods Regulation (EC) No 258/97

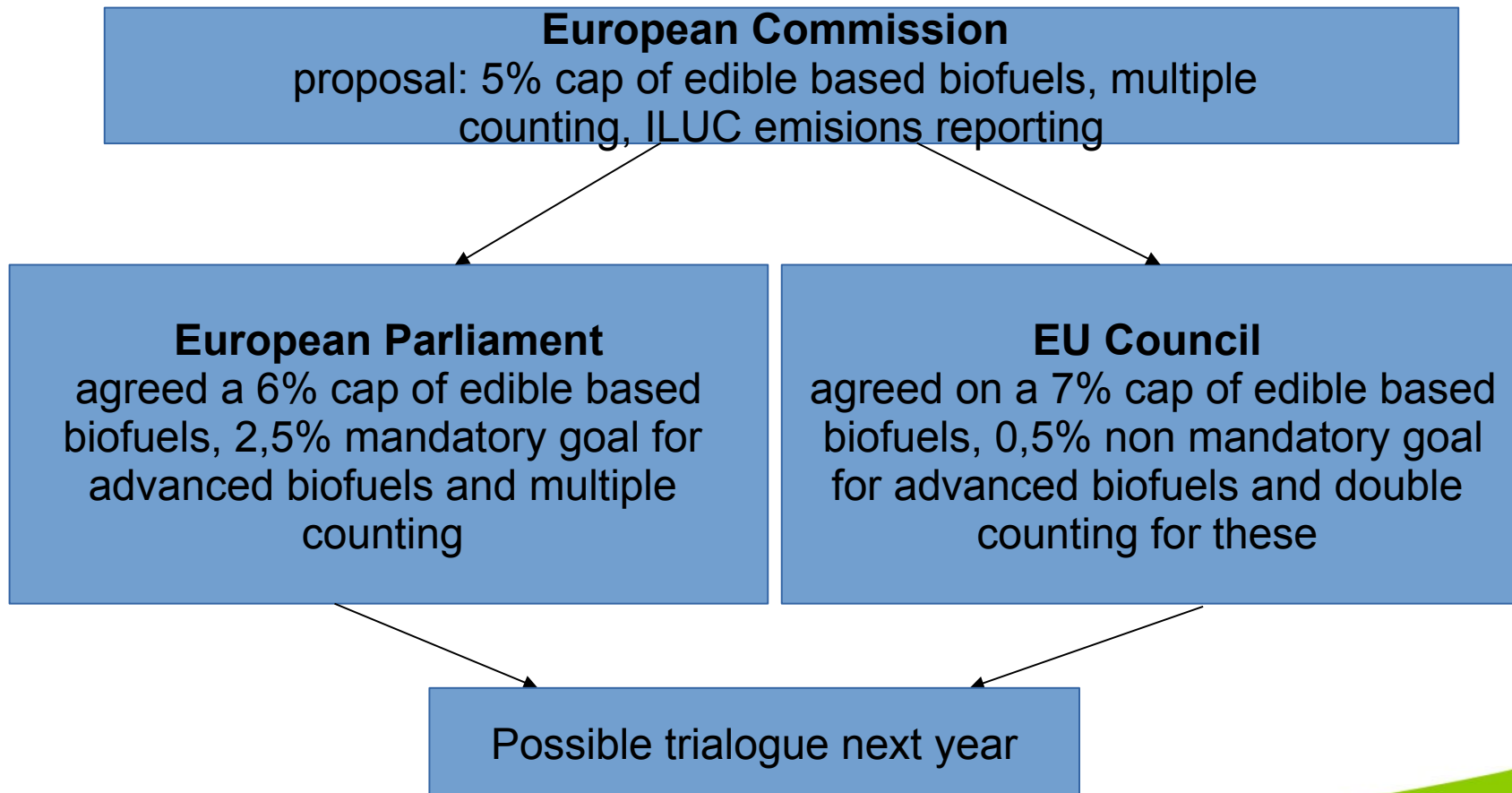
- Newly developed, innovative or food produced using new technologies and production processes

Renewable Energy and Fuel Quality Directives (28/EC/2009 and 30/EC/2009)

- 10% share of renewables in the transport sector by 2020
- Minimum of 6% of Greenhouse Gas Emissions reduction
- Sustainability criteria and decarbonisation threshold for biofuels
- ILUC review mandate

Current reform of “ILUC DIRECTIVE”

Based on the ILUC review mandate, the Commission decided to revise the FQD and RED Directives:



Next steps

- European Parliament will review and vote “**ILUC Directive**” during the winter in a 2nd reading, a trialogue is expected
- Some Member States are establishing their own **national goals for advanced biofuels** (Italy first one)
- New **Framework for 2020-2030**. No subtarget for transport sector. 40% decarbonisation target but no ambitious renewable energies goal (just 27% share)
- EC has confirmed its further support for advanced biofuels beyond 2020
- The EP should make a proposal on **Novel Foods Regulation** by December
- New negotiations on the **Energy Taxation Directive** to take place during the next months
- Council and EU Parliament shall work on the **Circular Economy Package**
- A **Bioresources Directive** proposal?

EU investment initiatives and funding programmes

- **Horizon 2020**, different sections and specific initiatives within its framework
- **Structural funds** can work as a complement. Important role of the bio-based sector in the Regional Smart Specialization Strategies
- The **Bio-Based Industries Joint Undertaking**
- The **European Advanced Biofuels Flightpath**
- **KIC Innoenergy**, one of the European Institute of Innovation & Technology innovation communities
- New **300 billion Growth and Investment Package?**





Thank you very much for your attention!

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