



EU POLICY IMPACTING ON THE UCO TO BIODIESEL CHAIN

UCO to Biodiesel Chain towards 2030


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Policy Framework (biofuels)

The market of UCO based biofuels is highly influenced by the EU biofuel policy (RED and FQD)



- European goals for advanced biofuels, comprehensive list of eligible feedstocks, etc.

- Compromise between Parliament and Council (not yet) National goals for advanced biofuels (Italy, France and Portugal)

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- Lack of a clear and consistent policy framework limiting investments


- Uncertain policy evolution (FQD after 2020?, new strategy for transport decarbonization?)

- Missed opportunity with FQD implementation to penalize dirtier fuels


Policy Framework (waste management)

Waste framework Directive 2008/98/EC is the main piece of legislation regulating the UCO sector.

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- Communication waste to energy (?)
 - New Circular Economy directive (?)

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- Missing suitable legal framework (not roadmap)
 - Unclear definitions (waste-by product ambiguity), bureaucratic burdens and lack of ambitious goals
 - Missing guidelines on treatment, collection and recycling pathways
 - Not homogeneous implementation of the EU Directive across the EU28 (Germany leading)

Other measures:

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- Mobilizing private and public funds (BBI, Horizon 2020, BEI...) to support investment in advanced biofuels - Juncker plan?
 - Paving the way to higher blendings (France leading), in particular for heavy duty vehicles (Communication Alternative Fuels Strategy)
 - Reducing subsidies for fossil fuels
 - Using UCO based biofuels in the aviation sector (European Advanced Biofuels Flightpath after 2020)
 - Bioresources Directive proposal?

Raising awareness

There is a clear lack of knowledge and awareness among general public and policy makers. Citizens and local authorities have an essential role in the collection of domestic UCO

- Including exchange of good practices in waste policy and legislation
- Initiatives like the Covenant of Majors can help to define and implement best practices
- EU-wide awareness campaigns led by the European Commission could be implemented

Thank you very much for your attention!



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