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Industrial Experiences With Anaerobic Digestion Plants in Europe



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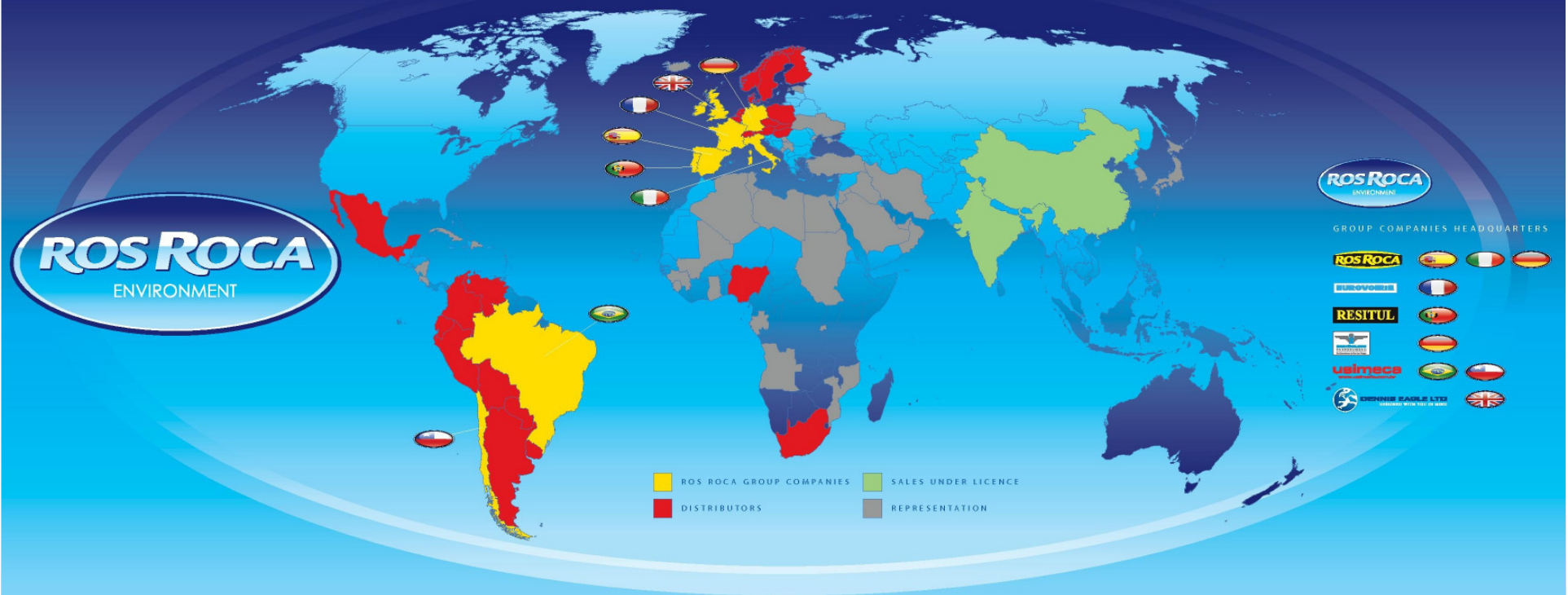
- **Presentation of company**
- **Case studies AD projects in Europe with wet fermentation technology**
- **Biogas utilization**



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Products and technologies for environmental protection



Collection and cleaning equipment



Pneumatic waste collection



Technologies waste, biomass utilization



Cryogenic products and technologies



Technologies

- **Biogas plants (Wet and dry digestion technology)**
- **Biogas treatment (Drying, Desulphurization, Upgrading, CNG, LNG)**
- **Biogas utilization (CHP, Boiler, Grid injection, Filling stations)**
- **Composting (Tunnel, Drum, Turning machine)**
- **Mechanical-biological waste treatment with digestion and / or aerobic stabilization**
- **Mechanical sorting plants**
- **Manure treatment**

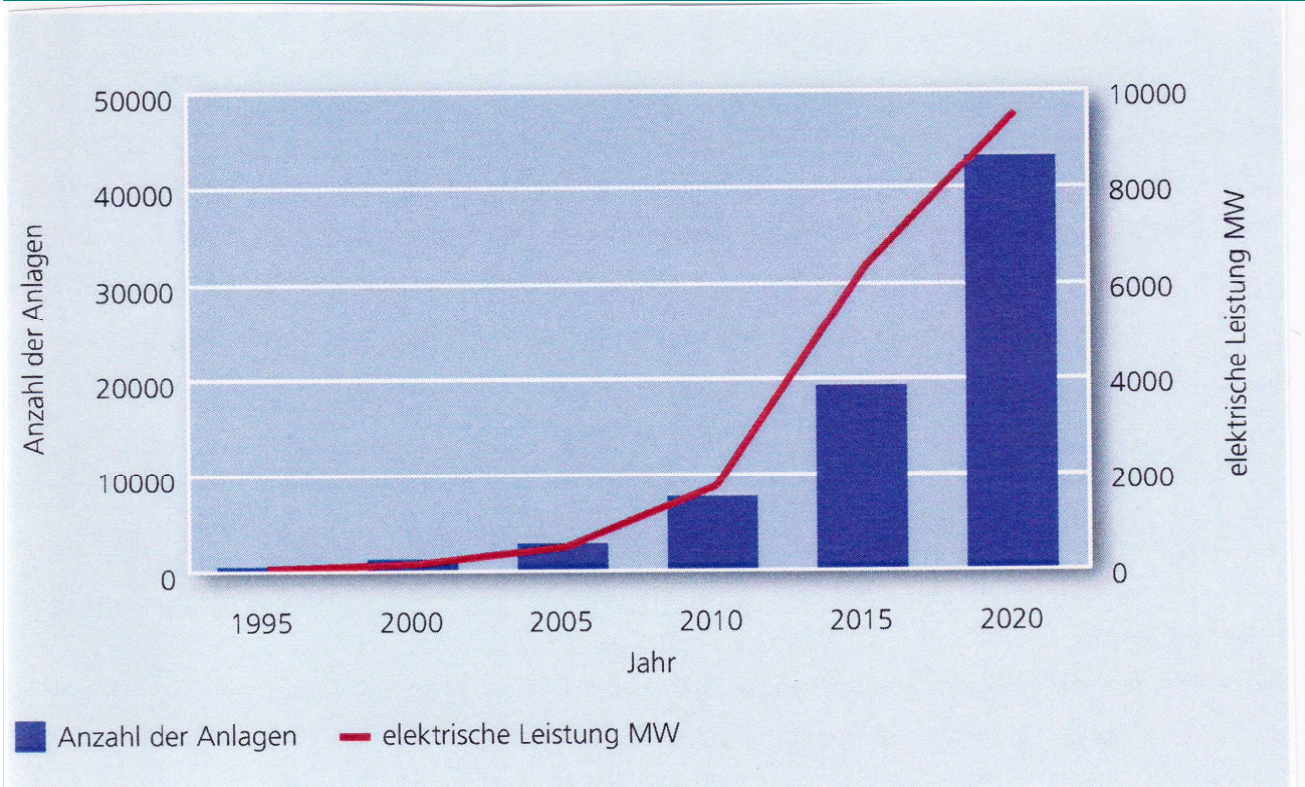




Experiences Anaerobic Digestion



Development of AD plants in Europe



plants

power, MW

- EU requirements for increasing renewable energy production to reduce emission of green house gases (CO_2 , CH_4)
- EU requirements for waste treatment (reduction of organics to landfills)
- Regulatory conditions for renewable energy production are defined (Fixed infeed tariffs for electricity and heat, tax benefits for biofuels)

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Input material for Ros Roca AD technology

Municipality

- Source separated organic waste (SSO)
- Organic fraction MSW
- Sewage sludge

Industry

- Packaged food
- Residues from food and beverage production
- Food leftovers
- Grease
- Slaughterhouse waste
- Residues from ethanol fermentation
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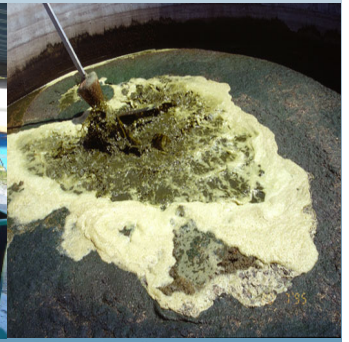
Agriculture

- Manure
- Dung
- Energy crops

Ros Roca AD process is flexible and treats organic waste independent of humidity

Process flexibility is important

- Waste quality is subject to strong variations
- Efficient utilization of fermenter for biogas production (no feeding of non bio-degradable organic material)
- Political frameworks change (e.g. renewable energy act Germany)
- Market conditions change



Ros Roca biogas plants in Europe

New contracts recently signed: Portugal 2 MBT plants with AD, Italy 1 AD plant for biowaste, Spain 1 agricultural AD plant, UK 1 AD plant for packaged food waste

Selected bidder in Mumbai, India for AD plant treating biowaste



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5 <u>Alcázar, Spanien</u> Hausmüll Household Waste 52.000 to/a	10 <u>Kielen, Luxemburg</u> Rindermist, Rindergülle Bioabfall, NaWaRo Cow Manure, Cow Dung Biowaste, Energy Corps 48.400 to/a	15 <u>Wien, Österreich</u> Bioabfall, Speisereste, verpackte Lebensmittel Biowaste Food Waste Packaged Food Waste 17.000 to/a - 34.000 to/a	20 <u>São Martinho do Porto, Portugal</u> Schweinegülle Pig Manure 60.000 to/a

The AD technology of Ros Roca – Main process steps

Wet Pretreatment

Adjust water content
Separation of impurities and non biodegradable material



Minimizing wear in the plant
Avoid sedimentation and floating
Production of high quality fertilizer

Pasteurization (ABPR 1774/2002)

> 70 °C, > 1 h,
particle size < 12 mm



Kill pathogens
Production of pasteurized fertilizer for direct agricultural utilization

Anaerobic digestion

Mesophilic or thermophilic operation



Completely biogas mixed digester
No moving elements inside
High specific biogas production

Dewatering

Separation in high quality solid and liquid fertilizer



Reliable, efficient dewatering with centrifuges
Low solid concentration in process water
Operation without polyelectrolytes possible

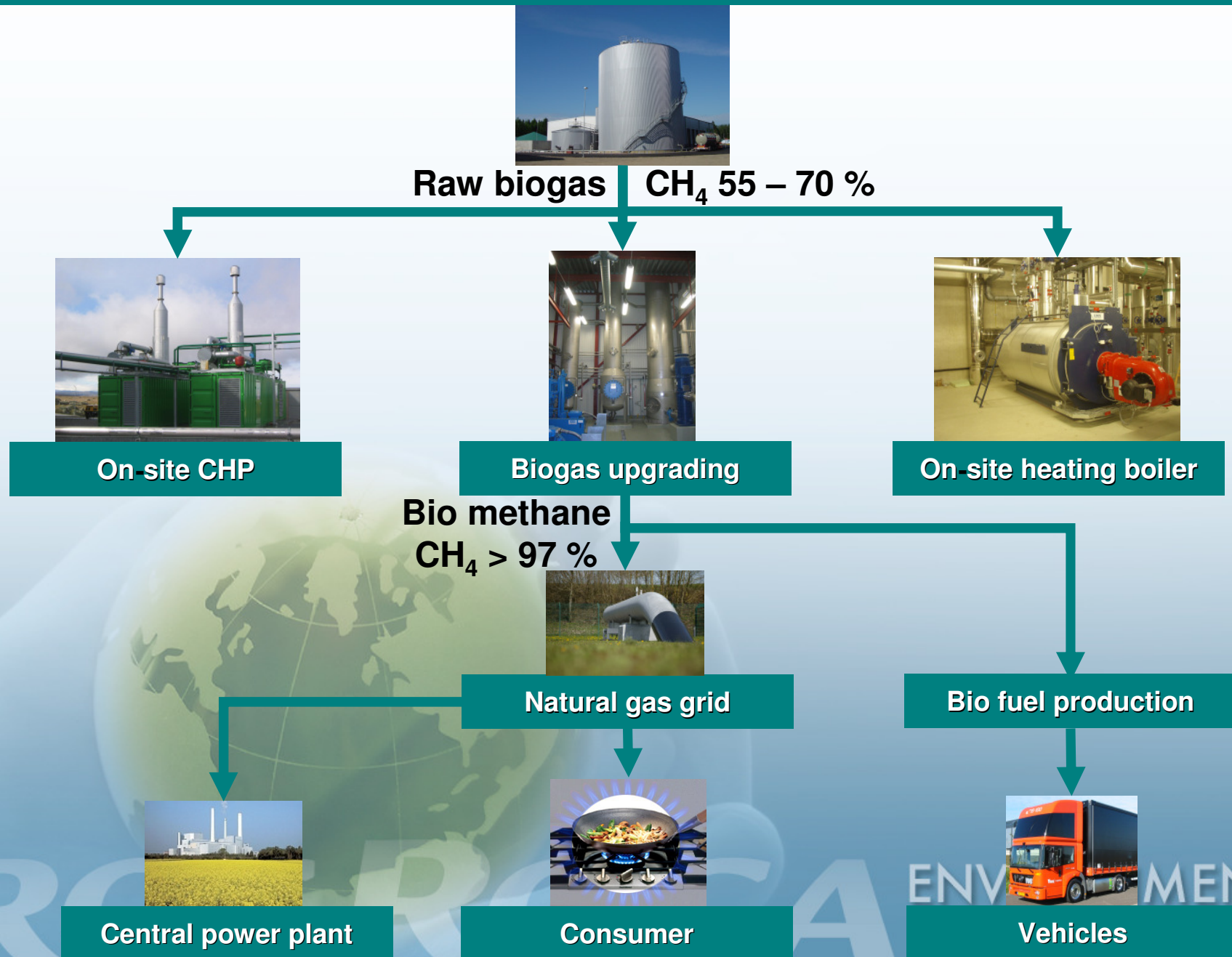
Biogas utilization

Energy production from biogas



Solutions with highest possible efficiency

Efficient biogas utilization: Ros Roca solutions



Biowaste AD plant Vienna, Austria



Capacity: 17.000 t/y (34.000 t/y 2nd step)
Biowaste, Food leftovers, Packaged food

Co-digestion biogas plant Västerås, Sweden



Capacity: 23.000 t/y
Biowaste, Energy crops, Organic industrial waste

Co-digestion biogas plant Voghera, Italy

Capacity: 27.000 t/y
biowaste, sewage sludge (Co-digestion)



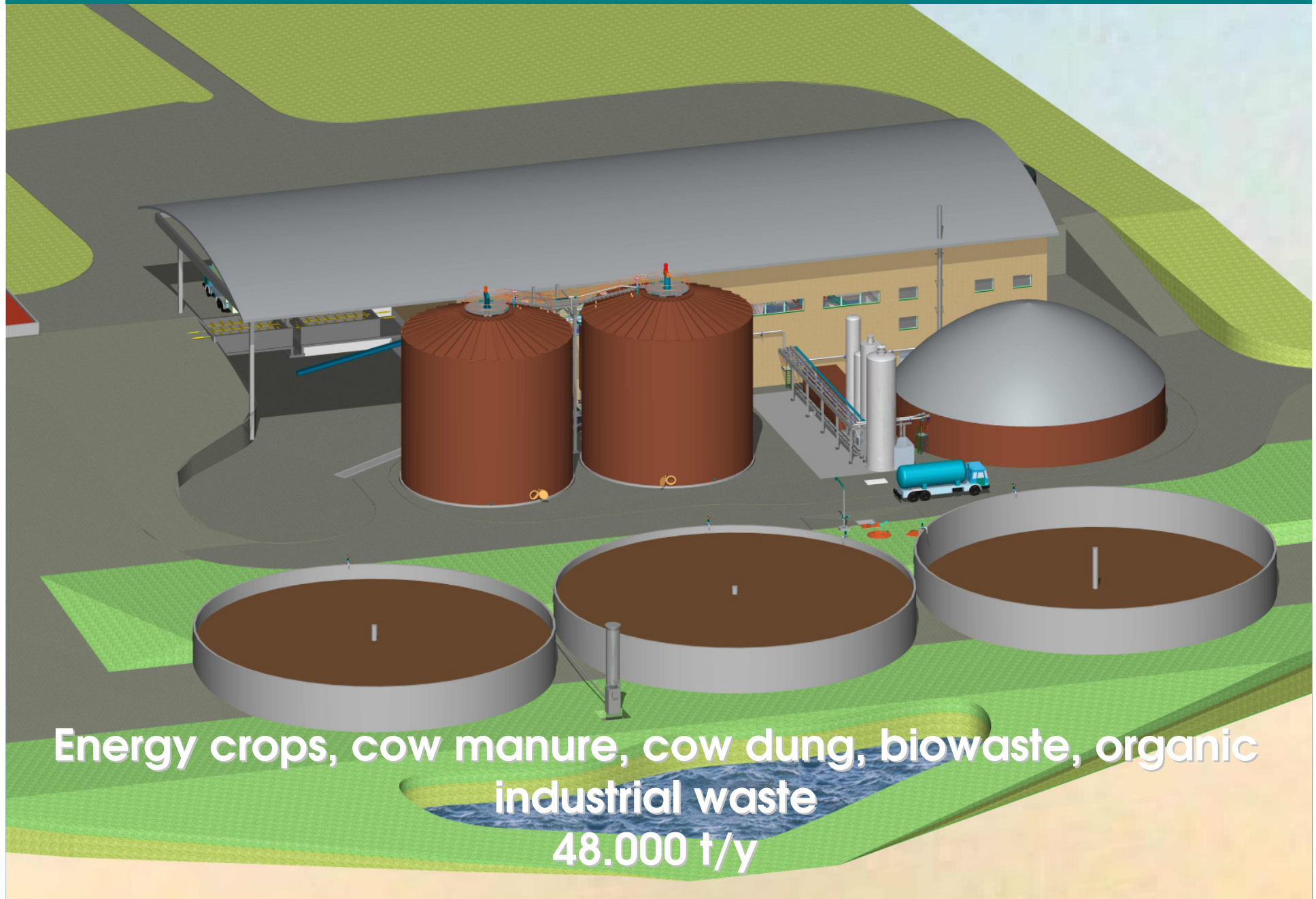
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MBT with biogas plant, Alicante, Spain

**Capacity: 25.000 t/y
Municipal solid waste**



Agricultural biogas plant Kielen, Luxembourg



Biogas plant for potato slurry Lommel, Belgium



**Capacity: 150.000 t/y
waste from the potato processing industry,
vegetable organic waste**

Quality of fertilizer from biowaste

Parameter	Unit	Biogas plant Germany	Quality requirements for digestate Germany	Biogas plant Sweden	For the use in organic farming according to EEC 2092/91
Lead (Pb)	(mg/kg DM)	44,5	150	8,9	45
Cadmium (Cd)	(mg/kg DM)	0,6	1,5	0,3	0.7
Chrome (Cr)	(mg/kg DM)	36,0	100	28,0	70
Copper (Cu)	(mg/kg DM)	50,0	100	50,0	70
Mercury (Hg)	(mg/kg DM)	0,0	1,0	0,0	0.4
Nickel (Ni)	(mg/kg DM)	22,5	50	17,0	25
Zinc (Zn)	(mg/kg DM)	216,0	400	150,0	200
Dry matter	(% wet weight)	31,5	20	24,2	-
Organic dry matter	(% DM)	58,3	40	74,4	-

Main advantages wet digestion process of Ros Roca

- Process works independent from humidity of biomass
- Treatment of liquid and solid organic biomass from municipality, agriculture, industry
- Completely automatized process
- Minimum manpower requirements
- Separation of impurities in front of digester
- Low maintenance requirements
- High quality digestate / compost
- Pasteurisation of waste according to ABPR (EU directive 1774/2002)
- High biogas quality
- Modularly extendable
- Technology approved in numerous big scale industrial plants

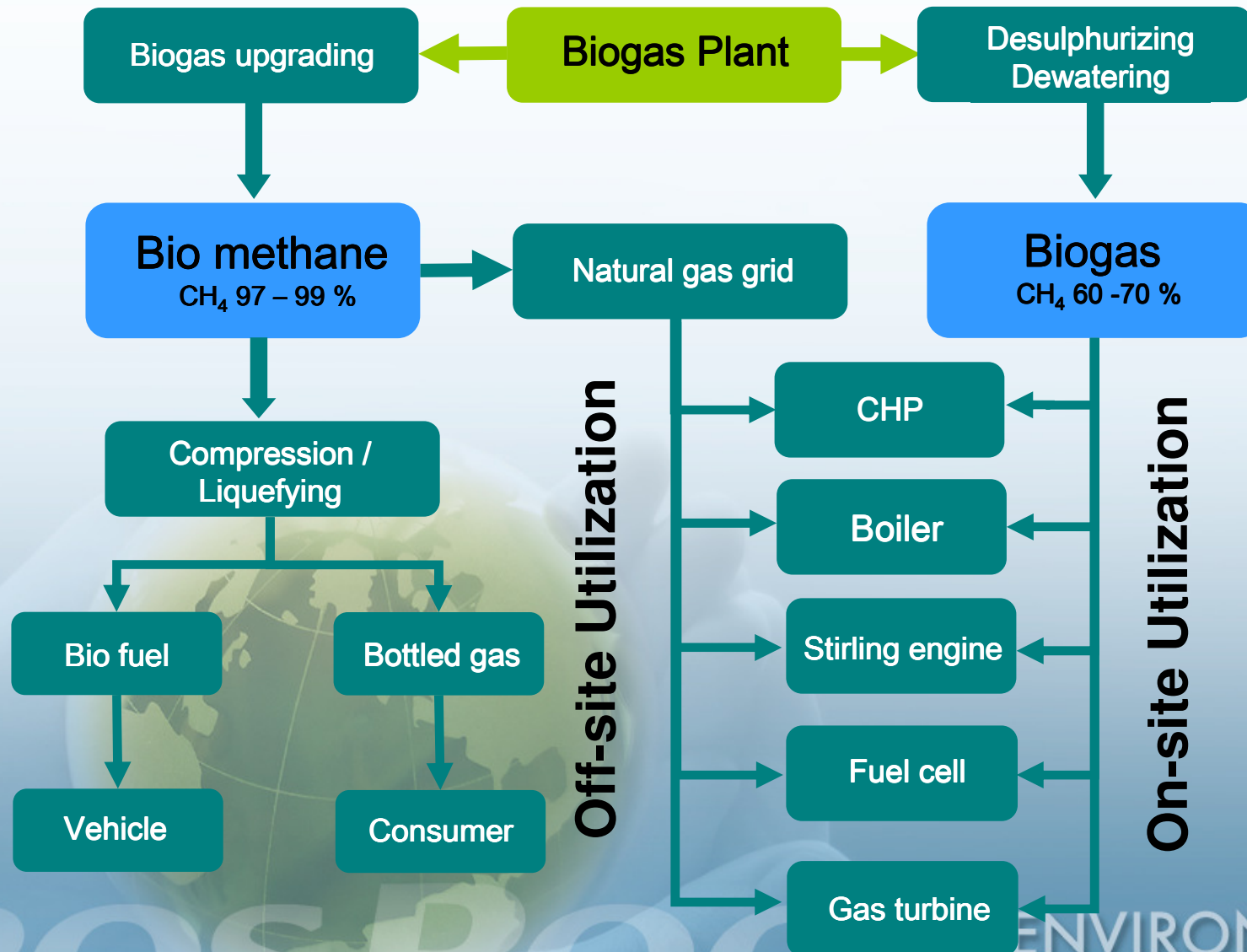
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Biogas utilization

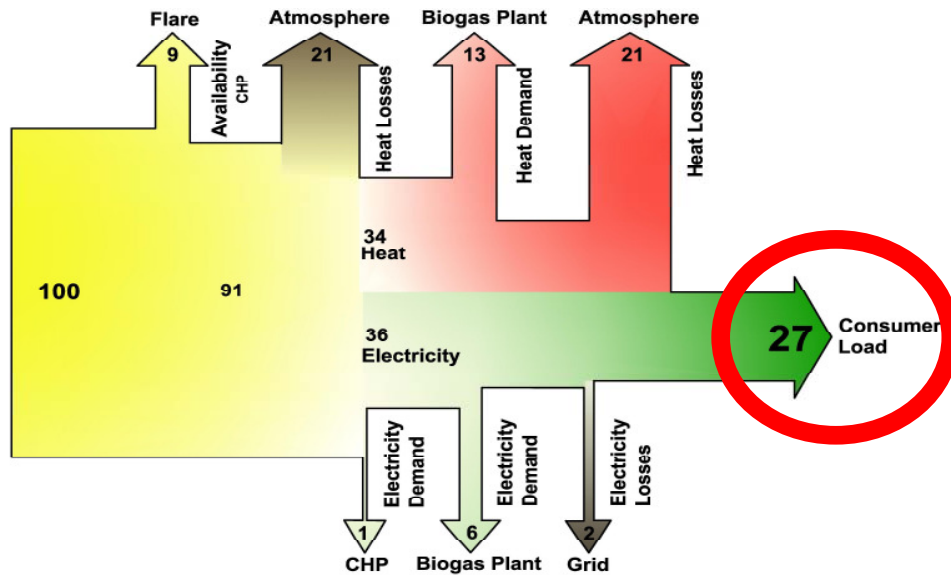


Biogas utilization

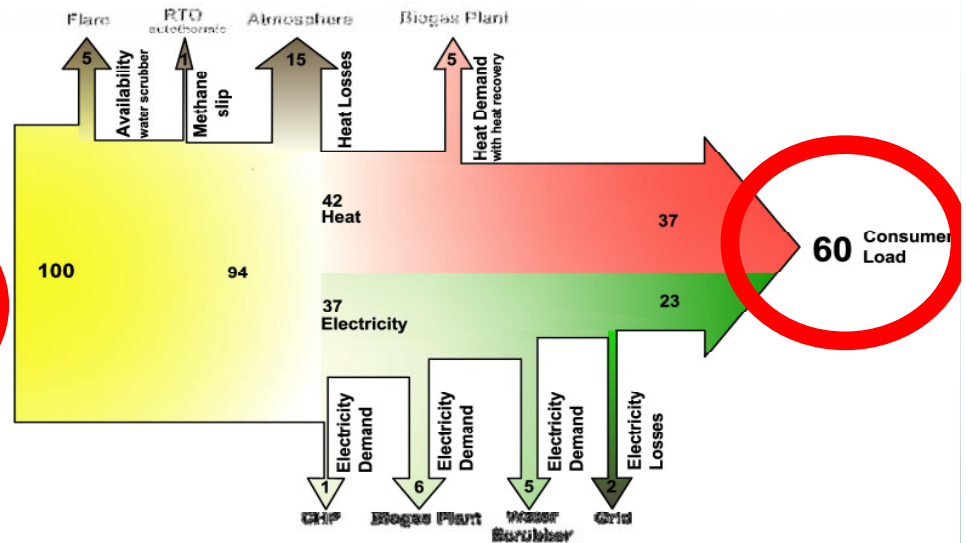


Why biogas upgrading ?

Energy balance of CHP on-site utilization

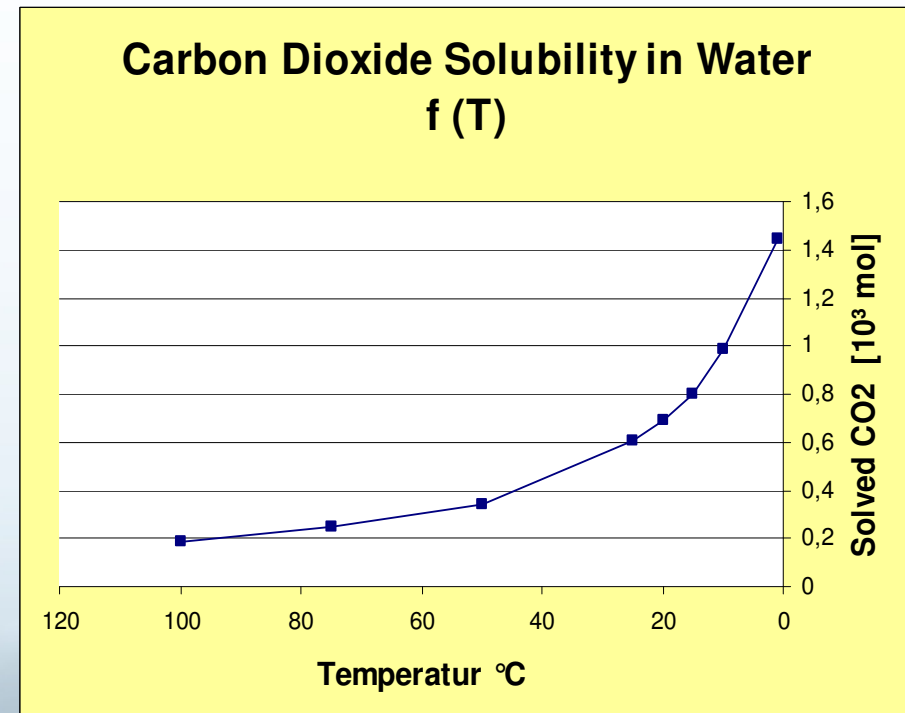
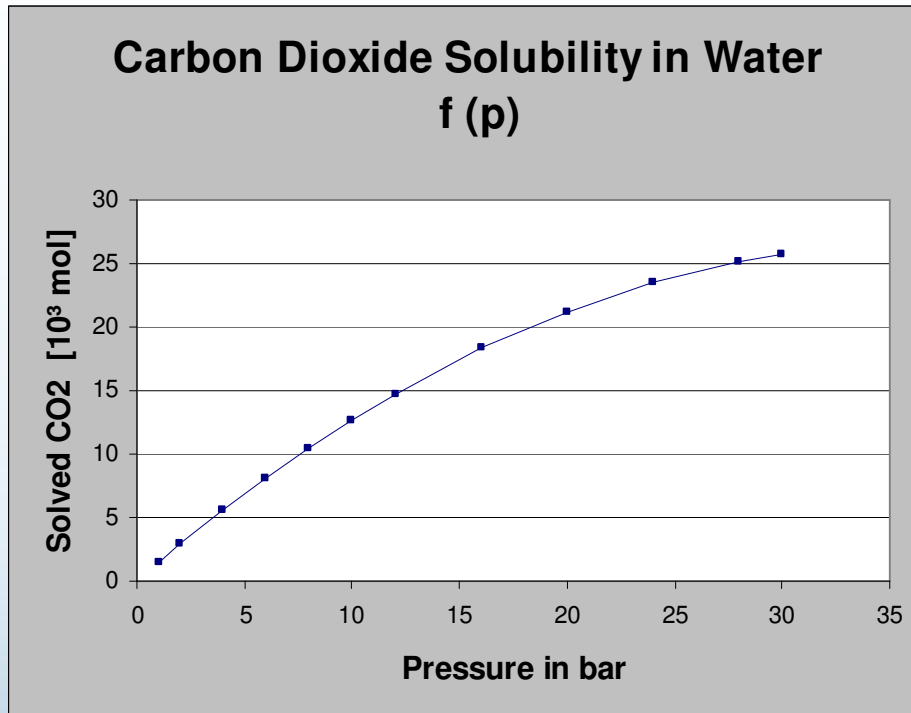


Energy balance of biogas upgrading & CHP off-site utilization



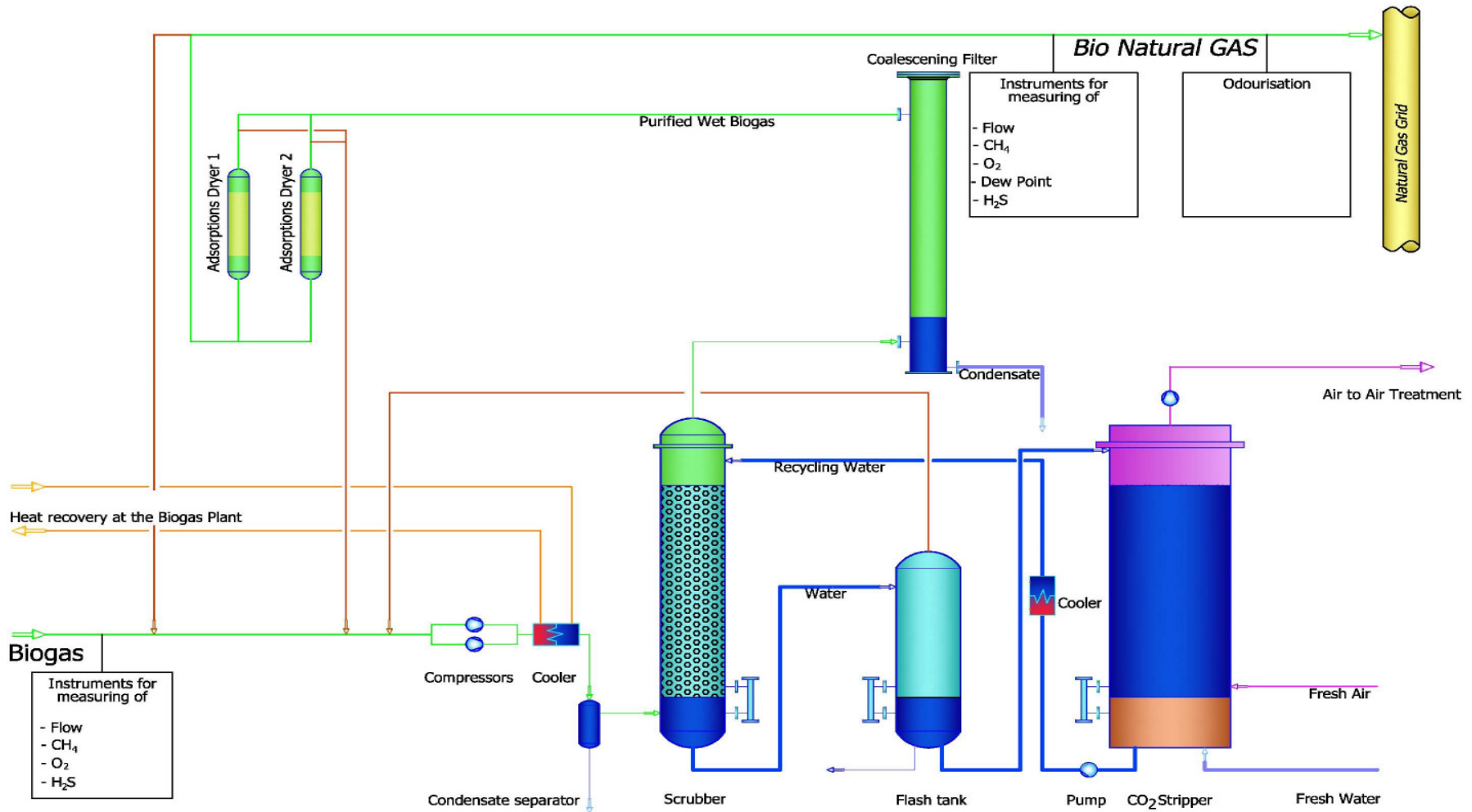
Energetic efficiency in biogas utilization is normally higher if biogas is upgraded to bio methane and utilized in off-site CHP-installations

Biogas upgrading: Pressurized water scrubber technology (PWS)



CO₂ – solubility rises under high pressure & low temperature

Biogas Upgrading (YIT water scrubber technology)



Experiences

Biogas upgrading



References biogas upgrading plants (YIT technology)

Location	Capacity, Nm ³ /h	in operation since
Eskilstuna, Sweden	330	2003
Linköping, Sweden	1.400 (2 * 700)	2002
Västerås, Sweden	550	2004
Norrköping, Sweden	400	2006
Boden, Sweden	250	2007
Altenstadt, Germany	1.250	Start-Up 2009
Kielen, Luxemburg	600	Start-Up 2009

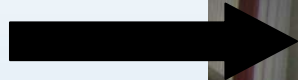


Västerås, Sweden

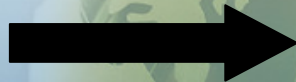
Capacity: 550 Nm³/h
Biomethane quality CH₄ 97 +/- 2%
According SS 15 54 38
Utilization of biomethane as fuel



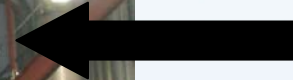
Flash tank



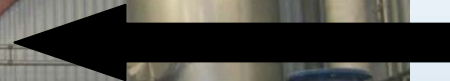
Biogas compressors



Air stripper



Scrubber



Process water pump



Methane concentration is increased from

60 Vol.- % to 98 Vol.- %

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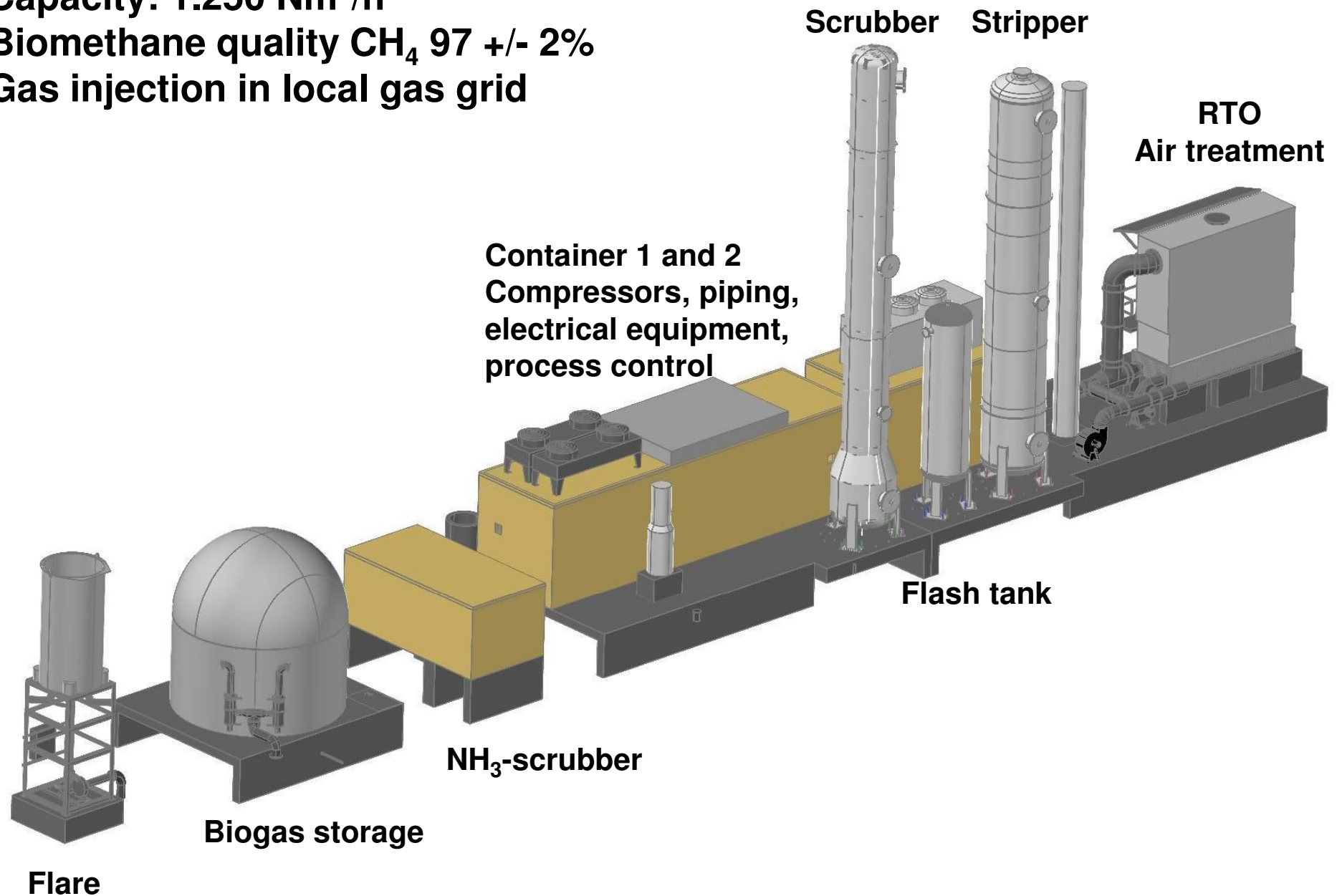
No biogas desulphurization is necessary

Biogas upgrading project Altenstadt, Germany

Capacity: 1.250 Nm³/h

Biomethane quality CH₄ 97 +/- 2%

Gas injection in local gas grid

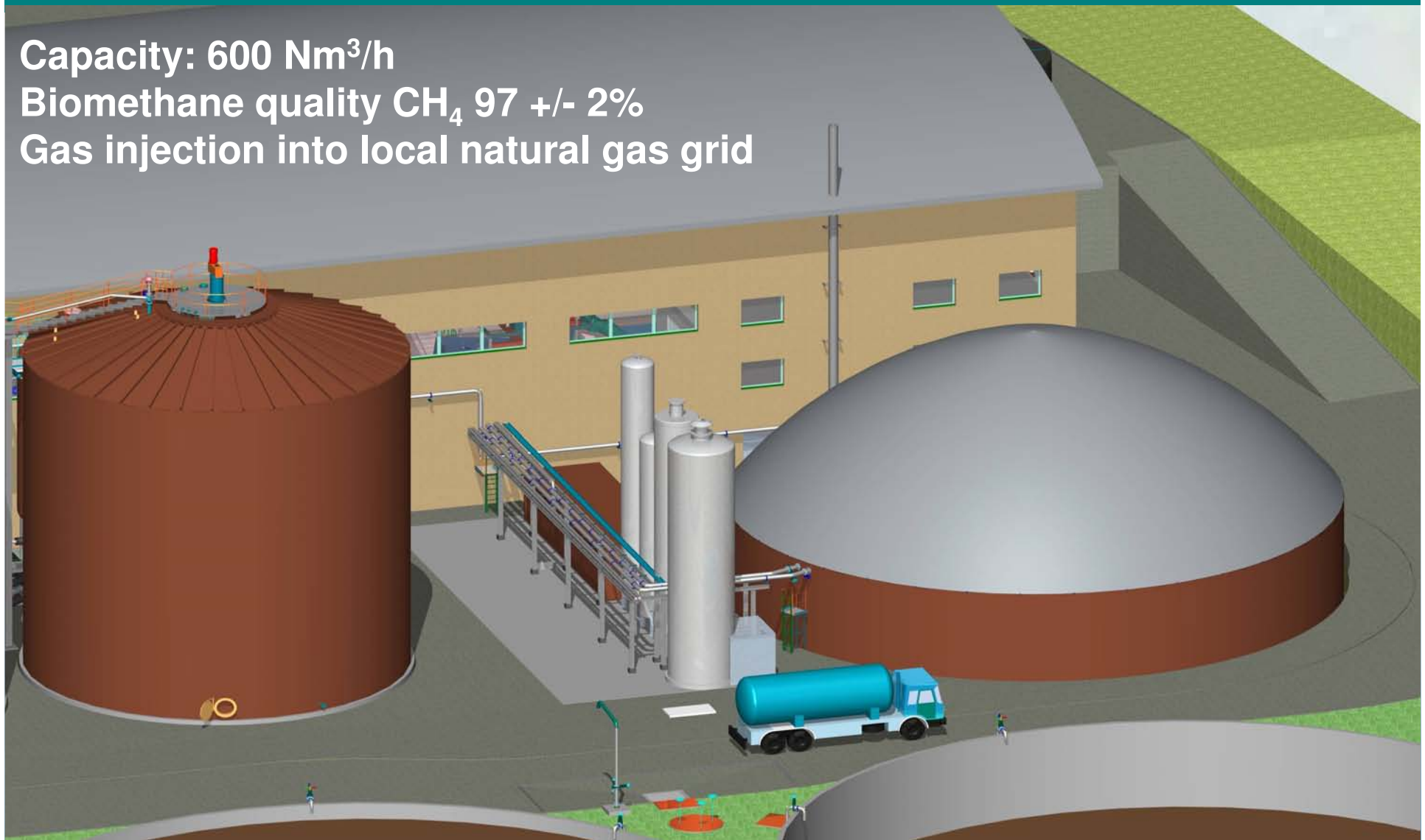


Kielen, Luxembourg

Capacity: 600 Nm³/h

Biomethane quality CH₄ 97 +/- 2%

Gas injection into local natural gas grid



LNG / CNG gas stations



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