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# Bio-waste technologies – challenges imposed by EU regulations

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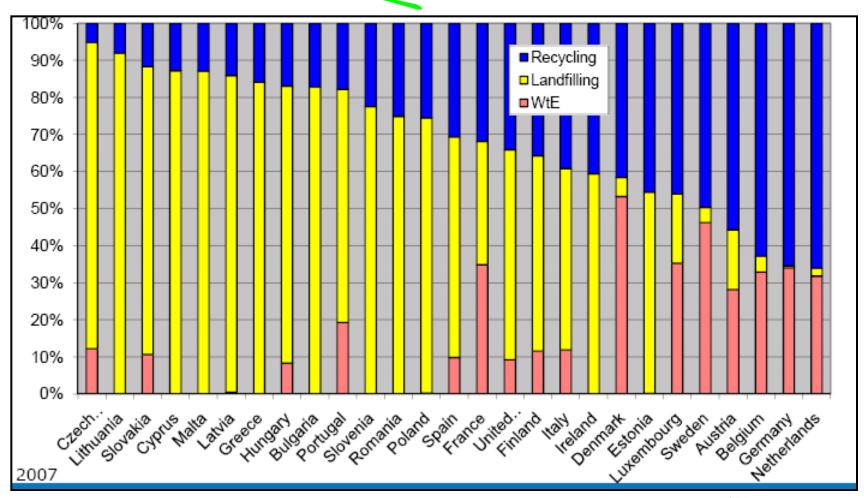








# Methods for management of municipal waste in UE countries (2007) Source: Eurostat









## Local strategies

#### Various local strategies



Local authorities concentrate on various models of waste treatment:

- Zero waste policy
- Detailed sorting of waste materials:
- high cost but
- effective implementation of sustainability criteria
- high efficiency of materials recovery
- preferred by EU legislation
- General treatment of all waste with minimal sorting:
- low price,
- mainly WtE policy,
- low level of material recovery.









### Technologies for organic substrates

Combustible (organic waste) could not be landfilled in near future

Biodegradable municipal waste going to landfills must be reduced to

75% in 2010,

50% in 2013 and

35% in 2018 of the total amount of biodegradable waste produced in 1995

#### Technologies for organic waste utilisation:

- dry organic waste: combustion, gasification,
- wet organic waste: anaerobic fermentation (biogas)
  - composting
  - methanol or ethanol fermentation (lignocellulose)









# Combustion – no sorting















### Technologies — no sorting

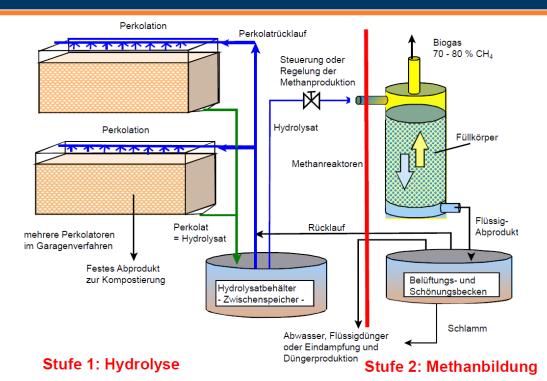




Perkolator in Containerbauweise







Two-stage dry fermentation GICON – Cottbus

poferment combusted







# Technologies – no sorting

# The technology of pressure extrusion (Vmpress-Italy)

The pressure extrusion process consists in the high-pressure (600–1000 bar) treatment of Municipal Solid Waste.

- the waste is squeezed in special extrusion chambers fitted with holes in the external surface.



- the organic part of the waste is extracted through the holes and physically separated from the dry one.
- dry fraction as it exits from the extruder press can be utilized in grid burning plants or can be used for production of high quality fuel (RDF)
- <u>- wet fraction</u> is suitable to be utilized into anaerobic digestion plants for the production of biogas considerable reduction of waste volume  $(1\rightarrow 1/3)$ , **energy efficiency** ~**40**%









# Technologies – sorting















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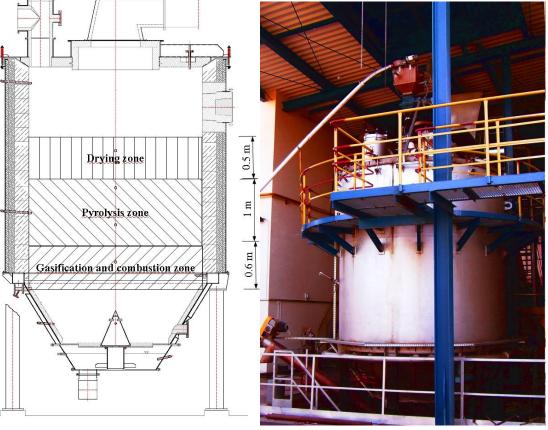


fader and turkey waste



fader and chicken waste













### Gasification installation 1,5 MW<sub>t</sub>



















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# Technologies - sorting

**Products:** 

**Textiles** 

**Pharmaceuticals** 

Foodstuffs

**Paints** 

**Fuel** 

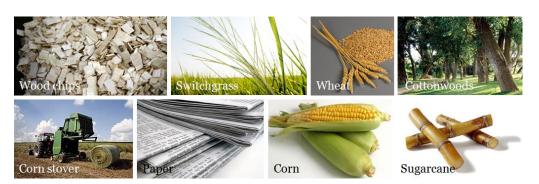
Construction materials

Hygiene Products



SEKAB pilot biorafinery

#### substrates



#### **Industrial symbiosis**







### **EU STRATEGY ON WASTE**

#### European policy on waste is described by

 Directive 2008/98/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 19 November 2008 on waste and repealing certain Directives

#### and 4 interpretation documents:

- Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament, the Council, the European Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions tackling the challenges in commodity markets and on raw materials (COM (2011) 25 Final)
- Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament, the Council, the European Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions (COM(2011) 21 Final)
- Commission decision (draft): rules and calculation methods, November 2011.
- Guidelines on the interpretation of key provisions of Directive 2008/98/EC on waste, 2012







### **EU STRATEGY ON WASTE**

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#### **EU STRATEGY ON WASTE**

Framework Directive on Waste: 2008/98/EC

defines hierarchy of waste treatment

- 1. Prevention and reduction of waste generation
- 2. Reuse
- 3. Recycling
- 4. Materials and Energy Recovery
- 5. Landfiling









### Framework Directive on Waste: 2008/98/EC

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Framework Directive on Waste: 2008/98/EC describes also goals to be achieved by partner countries till 2020:

- art. 11 defines minimal recycling level by 2020 of household waste (50%) and of construction and demolition waste (70%);
- art. 22: where appropriate, encourage separate collection of bio-waste for composting and digestion of bio-waste;
- Appendix II: Demands compliance with an energy efficiency ratio of 0.65 for new incineration plant, if the combustion must be charged as recovery (not recycling, but recovery).









It is mentioned in Article 11 that recycling should at least include waste streams of »... paper, metal, plastic and glass from household«

'Commission decision (draft): rules and calculation methods', Nov. 2011 states:

'Where the target calculation (50%) is applied to the aerobic or anaerobic digestion of biodegradable waste, the input to the aerobic or anaerobic treatment may be counted as recycled where that treatment generates compost or digestate which, following any further necessary reprocessing, is used as a recycled product, material or substance for land treatment resulting in benefit to agriculture or ecological improvement'

- see Art. 2, p. 6.

So, poferment utilisation in thermal installations (combustion, gasification, etc.) precludes the whole fermentation or omposting proces from beeing classified as recycling; it moves to lower level in hierarchy of waste managment i.e. **Materials** and **Energy Recovery** 



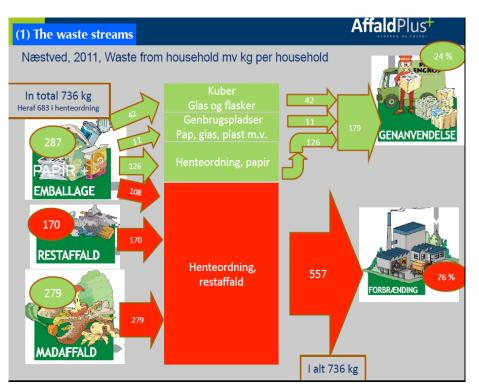




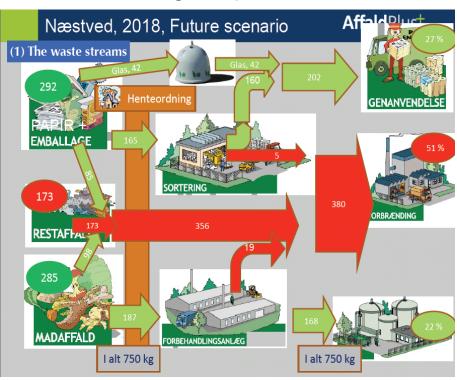


### Consequencies (Denmark)

#### From thermal



#### to biological process



Changes of waste fluxes in Næstved, Denmark planned for 2018 r. in relation to 2011

Combusted - 380 kg/557 kg per houshold biogas fermentation - 168 kg







### Conclusions







- preferred (if not required) separation of bio-waste at source for biological (composting and digestion) processes
- zero-waste systems (including poferment post-processing in the case of unseparated waste-streams)
- when building an installation of waste incineration one should take into consideration possible streams of wet biowaste for composting/fermentation process in order not to overestimate the size of the installation
- waste incineration/gasification (in possible CHP systems)
   of pre RDF should be encouraged



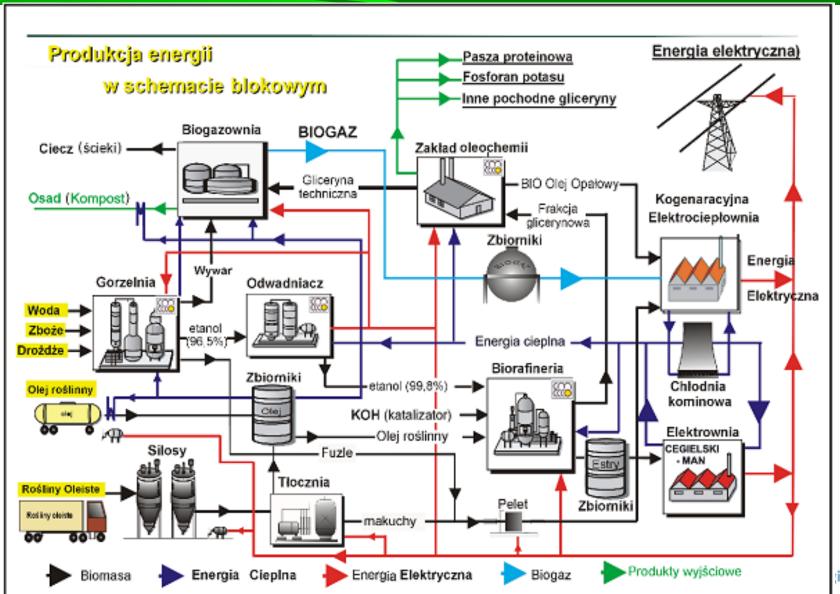




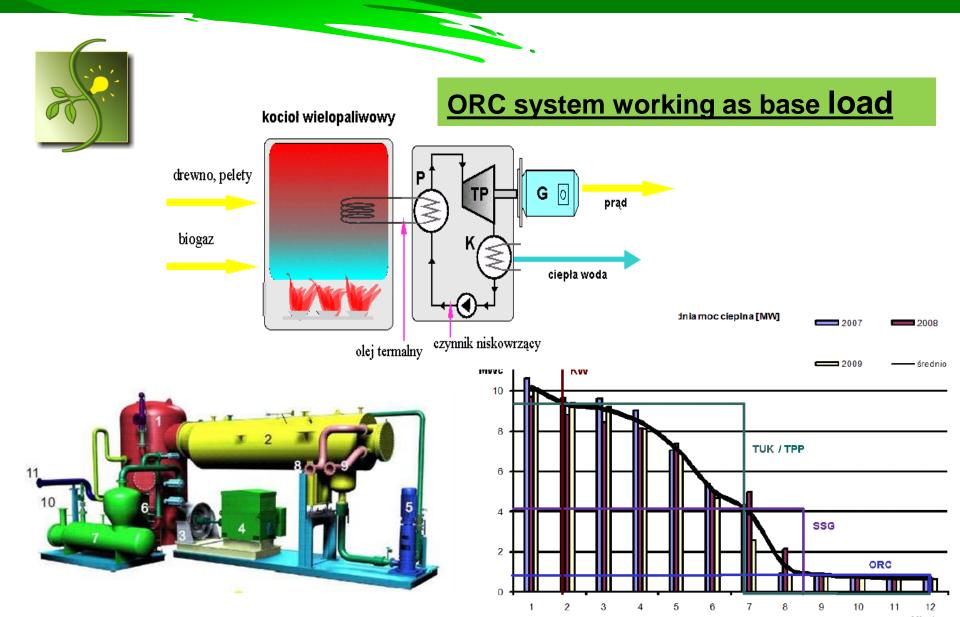


### Integrated, zero - waste system

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### Possible sollution for Gdynia pre RDF utilisation



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### Thank you for attention







