

## Registration 15.09.2008

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# **Registration Form**

# Answers from the RENEW project to the biofuel debate

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### Partners of the RENEW project

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#### **Motivation**

In the ongoing public discussion biofuels are often considered a homogeneous group with similar properties. However there are substantial differences between the fuel types.

Biomass feedstock can differ in a wide range of properties as well as its availability and sustainability. Fuel type and quality of fuel production as well as the suitability of the biofuel to be applied in todays and future engines can vary widely.

Within the RENEW project different production processes for 2<sup>nd</sup> generation biofuels were investigated and compared. RENEW showed the potential for biofuel production in Europe and evaluated most suitable technologies and costs for the production of synthetic biofuel.

The results achieved in the RENEW project are of high relevance in the present debate on biofuels. Question on the European substitution potential of second generation biofuels like BtL (Biomass to Liquid) and DME (dimethylether), the sustainability of fuel production pathways, maturity of production and market implementation measures will be addressed.

The overall target of the RENEW project is to give clear recommendations for political and financial stakeholders as a basis for decisions in the field of synthetic biofuels.





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## The RENEW project

In 2003 a European consortium of 32 partners including automotive manufacturers (Daimler, RENAULT, VOLVO, VW), the oil industry (BP, TOTAL), plant contractors (CHOREN, CHEMREC, REPOTEC) and R&D institutes from all over Europe joined forces to cooperate in the four year integrated project RENEW in an attempt to enhance and assess production routes for 2<sup>nd</sup> generation biomass-to-liquid (BtL) fuels. RENEW proved to be an excellent example of the positive impacts EU research can achieve.

This project identified processes which support the major objectives of the EU energy policies on the reduction of green house gases and on the security and diversification of energy supply, without affecting the food supply chains. It showed that the gasification of lignocellulosic biomass with subsequent synthesis of fuels combines little primary energy input with the production of excellent fuels. Several thousand litres of Fischer-Tropsch diesel obtained from wood and straw were produced in the project. Along with dimethylether (DME) in engine tests the fuel exhibited superior combustion and emission properties. The outcome is reliable knowledge on different BtL-production pathways, open to all stakeholders in the EU and commonly agreed strategic recommendations on future technology options. The accompanying trorough assessment revealed that:



### The RENEW project results

- Lignocellulosic biomass may cover up to 17% of 2020 EU diesel demand with sustainable feedstock from European fields and forests not affecting food supply
- BtL fuels lower the tail pipe emissions (pollutants and CO<sub>2</sub>) with no need for additional technology
- BtL fuels lower the overall CO<sub>2</sub> emissions significantly
- Two BtL-production concepts are ready for demonstration
- A primary energy efficiency of up to 69% can be achieved
- European large-scale market implementation needs public support
- Demonstration of the most advanced BtL concepts (centralized FT-diesel production via entrained flow gasification and blackliquor based DME production) is of utmost importance
- Today and in 2020 FT-Diesel and DME could be produced from available biomass for costs of less than 1 €/I<sub>Diesel Eqi</sub>.

The project results, published recently, can make a substantial contribution to the ongoing bio-fuel debate.

More details: www.renew-fuel.com



### Program 15-09-08 - Résidence Palace

12:00 Registration and lunch

13:00 Introductory notes

Jürgen Leohold, Executive Director Group
Research, Volkswagen AG

#### The Future of 2nd generation biofuels in Europe

13:05 **José Manuel Silva Rodríguez**, Director-General of Research in the European Commission (tbc)

> Anders Wijkman (EPP-ED), Member of the Environment Committee in the European Parliament

Guido Peruzzo, Ambassador Deputy Permanent Representative of Germany (tbc) Tom Blades, Chief Executive Officer, Choren Industries GmbH

**Jonas Rudberg**, Chief Executive Officer, Chemrec AB

14:15 Coffee break

#### Technical answers to the biofuel debate

14:45 The results of the RENEW project, Frank Seyfried, Volkswagen AG, coordinator RENEW

15:15 The Choren Process – Status, progress and future prospects

Matthias Rudloff

CHOREN Industries GmbH

15:45 The BLGMF Process - Status, current progress and future prospects Ingvar Landälv, Chemrec AB

16:15 RENEW answers to the biofuel debate Frank Seyfried, Volkswagen AG

16:45 Discussion



### **Meeting Location**

Location Résidence Palace Rue de la Loi 155

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Arrival by public transport train or metro:

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#### Arrival by car:

The nearest car park is the "Loi parking". The entrance is located at chaussée d'Etterbeek 25. 1040 Brussels.

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