

6th Annual

EU Biofuels Seminar

Strategies to sustain growth pre and post 2020

April 26, 2017 | Grand Hotel Kempinski | Geneva, Switzerland



At a time of increased market uncertainty, this focused event returns for its 6th edition to debate the very latest issues impacting the European biofuels industry. To do so, it will provide a comprehensive overview of the European and global biofuels and feedstock markets, particularly in relation to discussing strategies to sustain growth pre and post 2020.

Armed with a great speaker faculty and networking opportunities, this event will provide you with the perfect platform to debate the very latest developments, market challenges and assess new business opportunities.

Why attend?

- **Big picture: Macroeconomics and oil fundamentals** – Analyzing the impacts on the European biofuels business case along with Brexit and the US presidential election
- **Policy developments, challenges and new opportunities** – Update on progress made on 2020 targets, clarifying the post 2020 environment and impact of electric vehicles on biofuels
- **Biofuels feedstock under the microscope** – Examining the advanced biofuels capable of large-scale production
- **Innovations in biofuels technology** – Exploring development of bio-energy with carbon capture and storage technology
- **Latest developments in markets and trading** – Examining the supply and demand balance worldwide, and changes in trade flows and export potentials
- **Best practices from abroad** – Latest developments, challenges and lessons to learn from Latin and North America, Asia and Africa
- **Extended panel sessions** – There is now more time to have your say and question our panels of experts
- **More networking opportunities** – Including a post conference drinks reception with attendees of our Inaugural Platts European Grains Seminar

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Wednesday, April 26th, 2017

08.00 Networking Breakfast – Sponsored by:

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08:50 Chairman's welcoming remarks

Tim Worledge, Global Associate Editorial Director, Agriculture, **S&P Global Platts**

Session 1: Big picture – Macroeconomics and oil fundamentals, what does it mean for biofuels?

08:55 Global macroeconomics and oil fundamentals – Analyzing impacts on the European biofuels business case

- Latest on the oil price and its implications
- What impact will Brexit and the US presidential election have on the global biofuels industry?

Jean-Michel Six, Managing Director and Chief European Economist, **S&P Global Ratings**

Session 2: Policy leader perspectives: What do EU proposals mean for biofuels?

Update on the RED: Clarifying the post 2020 environment for biofuels

- Reviewing legislative proposals revising the EU's 2009 renewables directive – potential pan European legislation, country and advanced fuel mandates, and how will 'advanced' be defined?
- Phasing out food based biofuels – analyzing potential legal and political challenges, and examining the public perception debate
- Evaluating the findings of the Globiom Study into ILUC – is it becoming less of a problem?
- Assessing changes to sustainability certification schemes following amendments to the RED and FQD
- How can the industry impact the directive over the coming 2 years?

09:20 The European Commission perspective

Ruta Baltausė, Policy Officer, **European Commission**

09:40 The first generation perspective

Emmanuel Desplechin, Secretary-General, **European Renewable Ethanol Association (ePure)**

10:00 The second generation perspective
Angel Alberdi, Secretary General, **European Waste-to-Advanced-Biofuels Association**

10:20 The oil major perspective

Gabriele Walli, Feedstock & Biofuel Supply, **OMV Refining & Marketing**

10:40 The UK government perspective

Aaron Berry, Head of Biofuel Strategy, **Department for Transport, UK**

11:00 Networking and Refreshment Break

11:30 The broker perspective

Kevin McGeeny, CEO, **Starsupply**

11:50 The certification system perspective

Dr Norbert Schmitz, Managing Director, **ISCC System**

12:10 **Policy Panel:**

Presenters from preceding session will take questions from the chair

12:45 Analyzing the impact of electric vehicles on liquid fuels and biofuels moving forwards

- To what extent is it offering an immediate solution?
- Understanding the car manufacturer position
- Impact of dieselgate on the biodiesel market

Greg Archer, Clean Vehicles Manager, **Transport & Environment**

13.05 Networking Lunch

Session 3: Biofuels feedstock markets under the microscope

14:15 **Feedstock Panel:**

Examining the advanced biofuels capable of large-scale production

- Investigating how the second generation industry faces logistical and cost hurdles in obtaining large volumes of suitable feedstock
- What domestic advanced feedstocks will be favored in future?
- Exploring the potential of cellulosic ethanol versus gasoline
- To what extent is algae-to-fuel losing out to high-value chemicals?

- Innovations in turning industrial and landfill waste gases into biofuels - but is there enough waste?
- Exploring the commercial viability and barriers of other feedstocks for biofuels production such as renewable jet fuel to be produced at scale

Per Sune Koustrup, Co-Founder,

Nordic Green

Carl Wolf, Vice President, Europe,

LanzaTech

Robert Boyd, Manager, Environment –

Alternative Fuels, **International Air**

Transport Association (IATA)

Alysia Tofflemire, Environment & CSR Policy

Manager, **Boeing**

Angel Alberdi, Secretary General, **European**

Waste-to-Advanced-Biofuels Association

Moderated by:

Aaron Berry, Head of Biofuel Strategy,

Department for Transport, UK

- Are imported biofuels regulated and managed to the same high degree of sustainability criteria that govern biofuels produced in Europe?
- Latest on anti-dumping duties cases by region
- Assessing ethanol versus biodiesel margins
- Examples of biofuels hedging best practices

Michael Fiedler-Panajotopoulos, Director Government Affairs, **REG Europe**

Ohene Akoto, Director, **Jatropha Africa**

Csaba Zsótér, Product and Renewables

Trading Manager, **MOL**

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Session 4: Innovations in biofuels technology

15:05 Exploring development of bio-energy with carbon capture and storage (BECCS) technology

Samantha McCulloch, Energy Analyst,

Carbon Capture and Storage,

International Energy Agency

Session 5: Latest developments in markets, trading and pricing

15:25 Pricing outlook, overview and performance of the key benchmarks

Tim Worledge, Global Associate Editorial

Director, Agriculture, **S&P Global Platts**

15:45 Networking and Refreshment Break

16:15 **Markets & Trading Panel:**

Examining the supply and demand balance worldwide, and changes in trade flows and export potentials

- How are imports factored into the supply equation in Europe?
- Examining the trading and transaction system elements of the RED recommendations

Session 6: Best practices from abroad

16:55 **International Panel:**

Latest developments, challenges, opportunities and lessons to learn from Latin and North America, Asia and Africa

- Examining slowing ethanol demand in Brazil and Argentina, their opportunities in other markets, and the current pricing and regulatory environment
- Latest on tax incentives to boost advanced biofuels in the US and general state of play for the market alongside Mexico
- Dissecting China's and India's policies, market and trade dynamics

Ohene Akoto, Director, **Jatropha Africa**

Geraldine Kutas, Head of International

Affairs, **The Brazilian Sugarcane Industry**

Association (UNICA)

Alfredo Langesfeld, Managing Director, **GEA**

Biodiesel S.A.

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17:35 Chairman's concluding remarks and close of conference

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17:40 **Networking reception**

Join us immediately after the conference for drinks, canapes and networking with our EU Grains Seminar attendees