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# Most Sustainable Use of Biomass?

## Example maize

This plastic bag is made from maize, a renewable resource, and decomposes naturally



Do we need both for the BioEconomy?

This biofuel is made from maize, a renewable resource to reduce GHG emissions



# A Statement



“There is no scientific evidence that the material use of biomass provides greater sustainability benefits than the energetic use, or vice versa.



BUT there is evidence that the combined energetic and material use (“biorefining”) of biomass has the potential for large sustainability benefits.”

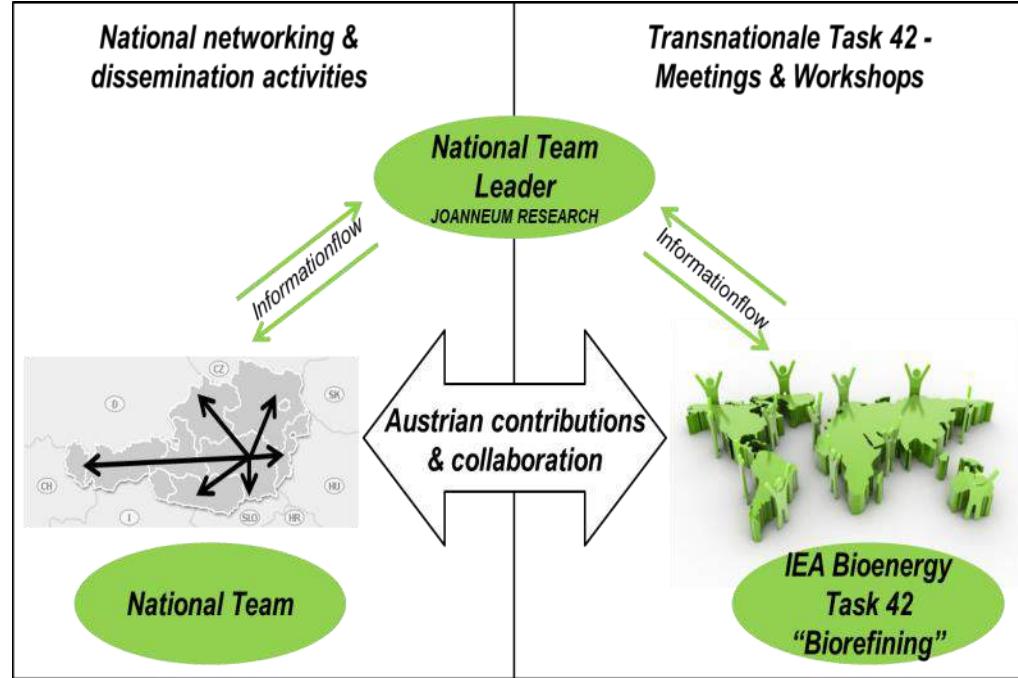
# Vernetzung und Wissensverbreitung - Österreich

## ■ 7 Task Meetings

## ■ 5 Stakeholder –

### Workshops

- 10/2013, Graz/Austria
- 09/2014, Antwerpen/Belgien
- 12/2014, Guelph/Canada
- 05/2015, Sassari/Italien
- 11/2015, Berlin/Deutschland



## ■ 24 Publikationen von Österreich

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## ■ 1 Bioraffinerie-Trainingskurs: „Value Chain Assessment of Biofuel-driven Biorefineries“, Budapest, 07/2014

# Stakeholder Workshop Global Bioeconomy Summit

*“present & discuss the potential role of biorefining and its stakeholders in the transition to a future BioEconomy using biomass for co-production of food, feed, biobased products and bioenergy”*



- Leading stakeholders on the transition towards a BioEconomy
- **Role of Biorefining** within this transition process
- Main **drivers** that support this transition process
- Main technical **barriers** that hinder this transition process
- **Role** of national and international governments
- **Supporting** policies & instruments



# Book Chapter on Biorefineries

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## INDUSTRIAL BIOREFINERIES & WHITE BIOTECHNOLOGY

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Based on the classification system of biorefineries and the “Nelson’s complexity index” for oil refineries a **Biorefinery Complexity Index (BCI)** is developed by assessing the **Technology Readiness Level (TRL)** of each features of a biorefinery.

8. Oleochemicals
9. Lignocellulosic Biorefinery
10. Syngas Biorefinery (Thermochemical Biorefinery)
11. Next Generation Hydrocarbon Biorefinery
12. Green Biorefinery
13. Microbial Biorefinery
14. Case Studies
15. Biorefinery Concepts in Comparison to Petrochemical Refineries
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# Report on “Biofuel-driven Biorefineries”

This report, that was prepared on behalf of IEA Bioenergy – Task42 Biorefinery, addresses a selection of the most promising biorefinery concepts to produce large volumes of road transportation biofuels by 2025. Biorefining, i.e. the sustainable processing of biomass into a spectrum of marketable bio-based products (food/feed ingredients, chemicals, materials) and bioenergy (fuels, power, heat), is the optimal approach to use biomass resources as efficient as possible, thereby optimising the specific financial added-value obtained from the biomass at acceptable social and ecological impact. In energy or biofuel-driven biorefineries the main focus is to produce transportation fuels from biomass, where chain composing agro-, forestry and process residues are used to co-produce added-value bio-based products to make the overall product portfolio more market competitive.

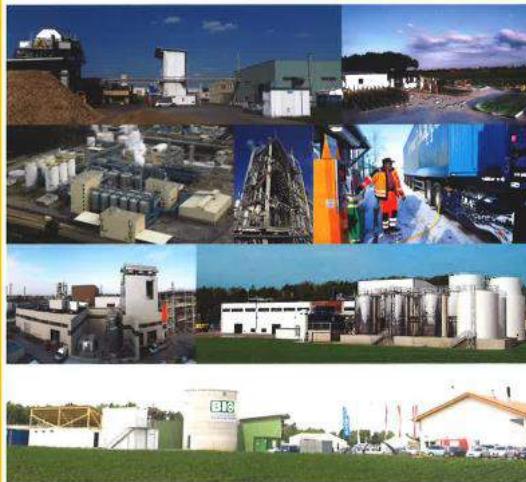
The road transportation biofuels produced in both commercial scale, demonstration scale and conceptual biofuel-driven biorefineries dealt with in this report are: 1) biodiesel from oilseed crops and residues, 2) bioethanol from sugar and starch crops, 3) bioethanol from straw – biochemical pathway, 4) bioethanol from wood – combined bio-/thermochanical pathway, 5) bio-methane from grass and manure, 6) bio-methane from wood, 7) FT-biofuels from straw, 8) FT-biofuels from wood, 9) bioethanol from wood and liquor, 10) bioethanol from starch crops and straw, 11) biofuels from microalgae. Concepts 3, 4, and 5 are environmentally assessed in more detail in section 5.

The purpose of the report is to provide an unbiased, authoritative statement aimed at stakeholders from the agro-sector, forestry-sector, industry, SMEs, policy makers, and NGOs.

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## Biofuel-driven Biorefineries



**A Selection of the Most Promising Biorefinery Concepts to Produce Large Volumes of Road Transportation Biofuels by 2025**

**Coordinated by Austrian participation**

.....Based on this **first selection of most promising biorefinery concepts to produce large volumes of road transportation biofuels by 2025** the Task 42 is assessing the sustainability of these biorefinery concepts by analyzing economic, environmental and social aspects in comparison to conventional processes and products.

**In a next step a “biorefinery fact sheet”** for each of these selected “energy driven” biorefineries is developed, key characteristics for a specific production capacity of road transportation biofuel

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## BioEconomy Strategies in the Member Countries of the IEA Bioenergy Implementing Agreement

– current status, approaches and opportunities

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**Objectives**

This contribution presents results of a survey on bioeconomy strategies in the 22 member countries of the IEA Bioenergy Implementing Agreement, aiming at getting a broad overview of the progress and the priorities of such strategies inside and outside Europe. Strategy documents were analyzed in a framework of questions to compare patterns as:

- Scope (governmental, regional, industry sectors)
- Position of bioeconomy (including biofuels) in a future Bioeconomy
- Main economic sectors in a future Bioeconomy
- Current focus of implementation (R&D, transition to markets, policy development)
- Vision and (measurable) targets

**Status of BioEconomy strategies (2014)**

**Results**

Country	Governmental	Regional	Industry	Position of Bioeconomy in Bioeconomy	Strategies in the form of categories		Vision and Targets	Current focus of Implementation
					biofuels	biochemicals		
Austria	High	Medium	Low	High	High	Medium	Medium	Medium
Belgium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium
Denmark	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium
Finland	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium
France	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium
Germany	High	Medium	Medium	High	High	Medium	Medium	Medium
Iceland	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium
Ireland	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium
Italy	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium
Netherlands	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium
Portugal	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium
Spain	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium
Slovenia	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium
Slovenia	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium
United Kingdom	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium
United States	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium
Other	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium

**Conclusions**

- bioeconomy is an important part of national transition strategies in 60% of the countries (AT, F, FR, DE, JP, NL, ZA, SE, CH, UK, US)
- the energy sector is almost always important in national transition strategies, and in most (65%) cases bioenergy has an equal position to other sectors in the Bioeconomy, and is a priority in AU, BR, DK, IT, JP, US
- bio-based development is almost always a top-down (policy driven) approach
- most countries have a Bioeconomy vision and general targets instead of measurable policy targets (measurable targets in CA, F, NL, US)



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**G. Jungmeier, V. Pignatelli, M. Monni, M. Beermann,  
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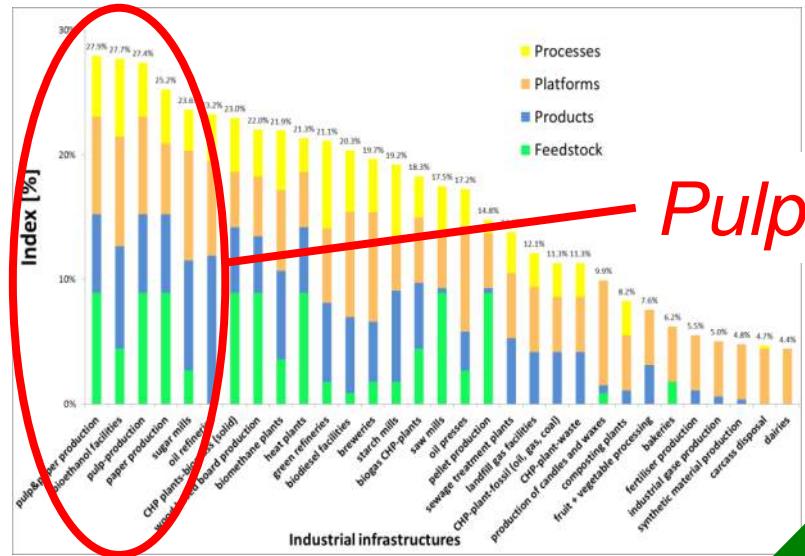
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# Upgrading industrial infrastructures to integrated Biorefineries in Biobased Industry

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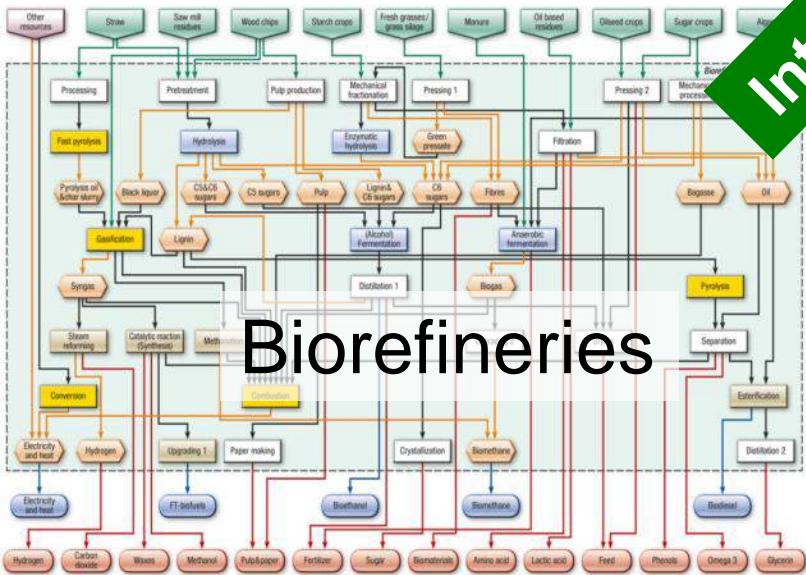
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## Methodology&Tool developed in Austria and now used in IEA Task 42



Pulp&paper industry

Integration

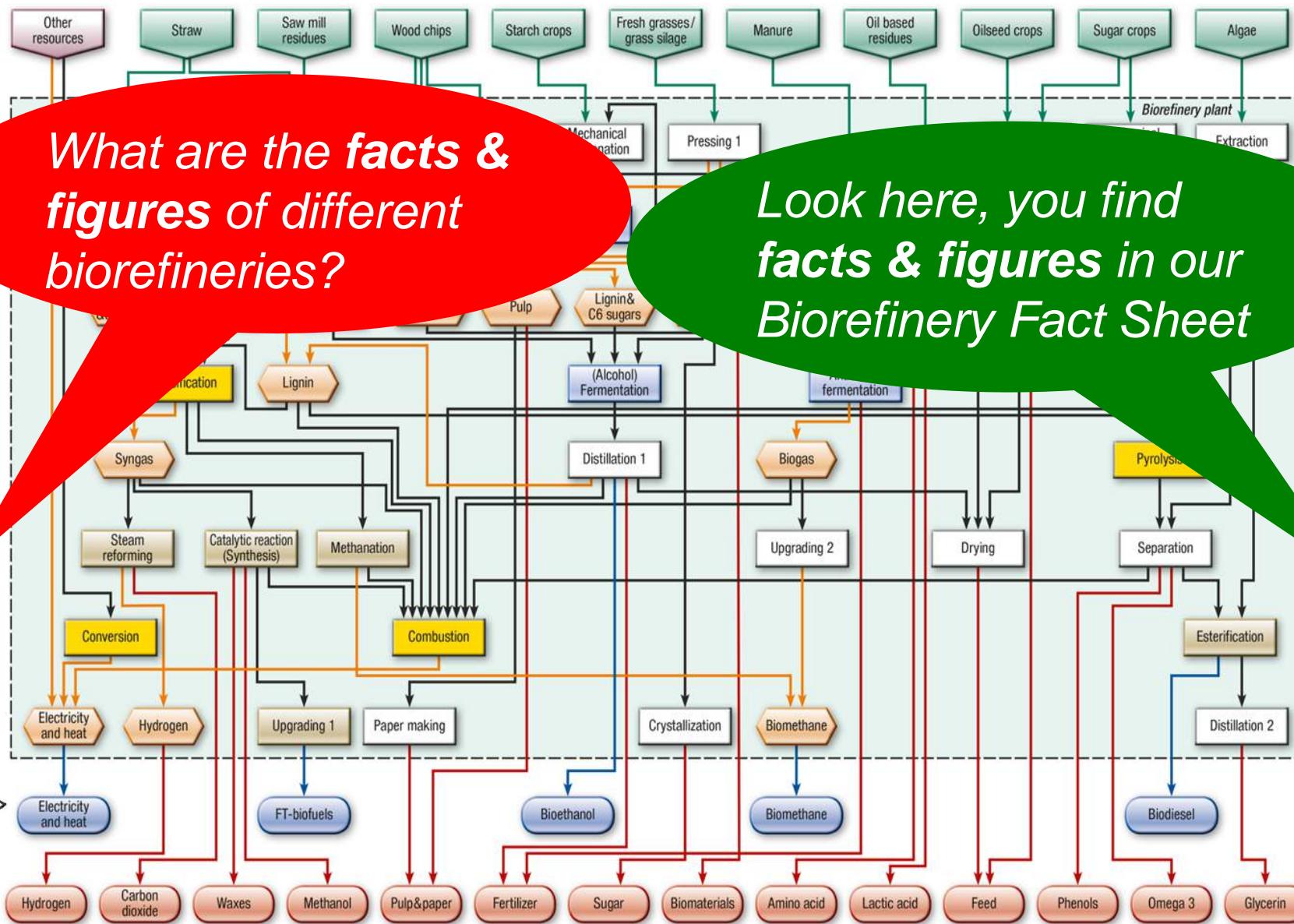




## „Biorefining of lignocellulosic feedstocks integrated in an oil refinery - experiences from the Austrian demo plant“

Peter Pucher, BDI - Bioenergy International AG, und Gerfried Jungmeier, JOANNEUM RESEARCH, präsentierten in Berlin bei der Bioenergy Conference der Internationalen Energieagentur (IEA) **aktuelle Technologie-Entwicklungen** und Zukunftsperspektiven zur Erzeugung von **Biotreibstoffen aus Holz**.

# Biorefineries for the Biobased Industry



# Biorefinery Fact Sheet

Developed in Austria and now also used in IEA Bioenergy Task 42

## Part A: Biorefinery Plant

### Biorefinery FACT SHEET

"A 3-platform (black liquor, pulp, electricity&heat) biorefinery using wood chips for pulp, paper, turpentine, tall oil, bark, electricity and heat"

#### Part A: Biorefinery plant

The commercial scale biorefinery "A 3-platform (black liquor, pulp, electricity&heat) biorefinery using wood chips for pulp, paper, turpentine, tall oil, bark, electricity and heat" is shown in Figure 4. The wood or wood chips are transported to the biorefinery, where the wood is mechanically debarked and chipped. Then the pulp is produced from the fibres and the rest of the wood and auxiliary chemicals end up in the black liquor. A share of the pulp is further processed to paper. Via a separation process the tall oil and the turpentine are produced and the rest of the black liquor is combusted to produce heat and electricity for the biorefinery and the surplus energy is sold. In the liquor combustion the chemicals are recovered and used again for pulp production.

This biorefinery is state of the art and commercial production facilities have an annual pulp production capacity between 200,000 up to 1,000,000 t per year. The black liquor platform contains a lot of other chemicals that are not recovered today due to economic and technical limitations. In future the broad variety of different chemicals in the black liquor offers a great potential for future developments and new commercial products.

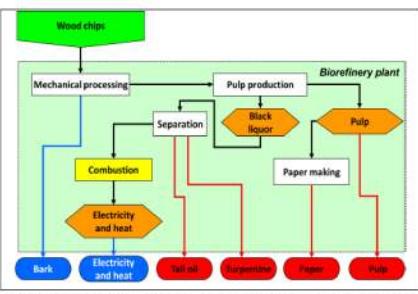


Figure 4: A 3-platform (black liquor, pulp, electricity&heat) biorefinery using wood chips for pulp, paper, turpentine, tall oil, bark, electricity and heat

Table 1: Key characteristics of biorefinery plant

Biorefinery plant:	
	Woodchips [t/year]
State of technology:	commercial 2013
Country:	Austria
Main data sources:	Austria case study in cooperation with Austria paper, assumptions
Products	
pulp	400 [t/a]
paper	11 [t/a]
bark (50%)	127 [t/a]
tall oil	6 [t/a]
electricity	0.4 [GWh/a]
heat	0.25 [GWh/a]
other: NaOH (50%), burnt lime,	
electricity	0.00 [GWh/a]
heat	1.29 [GWh/a]
energy carriers	32.0 [GWh/a]
auxiliary materials	5.0 [GWh/a]
black liquor (50%)	5.0 [GWh/a]
tall oil (50%)	0.2 [GWh/a]
heat	32.0 [GWh/a]
Feedstock	
woodchips	1495 [t/a]
Costs	
investment costs	350 (Mio €)
feedstock costs	100 (K€)
operating costs	400 (K€)
Efficiencies	
Input to products	
input to products (dry matter)	
mass	35%
energy	53%
input to products (dry matter)	50%



Figure 5: Mass balance of biorefinery plant



Figure 6: Energy balance of biorefinery plant



Figure 7: Share of costs



Figure 8: Share of revenues

## Annex:

### Methodology of sustainability assessment and data with references

## Part B: Value Chain Assessment

### Part B: Value Chain Sustainability Assessment

The method of the sustainability assessment - economic and environmental – is given in Annex 1. The main assumptions and modelling choices are documented in Annex 2.

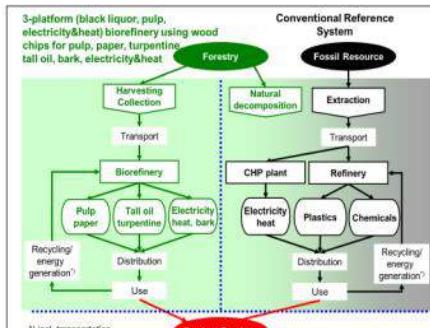


Figure 9: Comparison of biorefinery with conventional reference system on whole value chain (incl. "end-of-life treatment")

Table 2: Key characteristics of biorefinery value chain

Whole value chain	
Greenhouse gas emissions	range: 280 (120 to 210) (MCO <sub>2</sub> -eq/a)
biorefinery	reference system: 1297 (1110 to 1490) (MCO <sub>2</sub> -eq/a)
caving	2% (23.4 to 24)
total	49% (-49% to -109%) (N)
biorefinery	27.0 (13.8 to 26.6) (MWh/a)
reference system	22.5 (21 to 25.0) (MWh/a)
change	-23% (-23% to -28%) (N)
Agricultural area demand	feedstock
	0 (0 to 6) (ha/ha)
Costs	annual costs
	specific costs: 239 (200 to 259) (M€/a)
	annual revenues
	specific revenues: 223 (219 to 238) (M€/a)

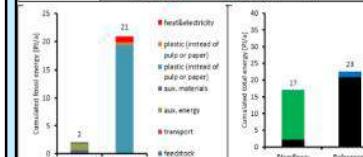


Figure 10: Estimated cumulated fossil energy demand of biorefinery and reference products

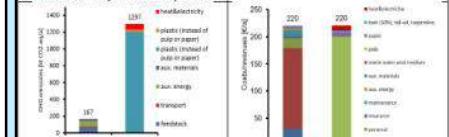


Figure 11: Estimated cumulated energy demand of biorefinery and reference products



Figure 12: Estimated greenhouse gas emissions of biorefinery and reference products

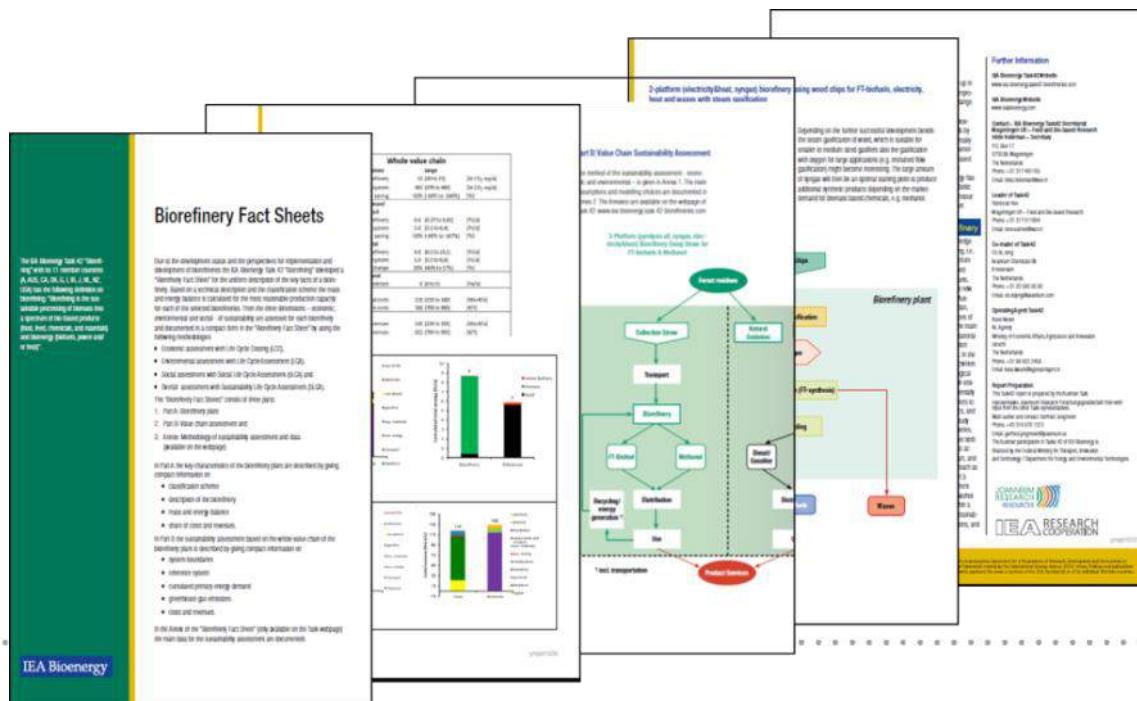


Figure 13: Estimated cost and revenues of biorefinery plant

# Biorefinery Fact Sheets are available

- 5 Glossy Fact Sheets
- 15 online on webpage
- incl. 2 Austrian Cases
  - Biorefinery Pöls AG (Steiermark)
  - Biorefinery BioCRACK (Schwechat)
- 5 non public
- 7 in progress (e.g. biogas, pyrolysis, protein, rubber dandelion, algae..)

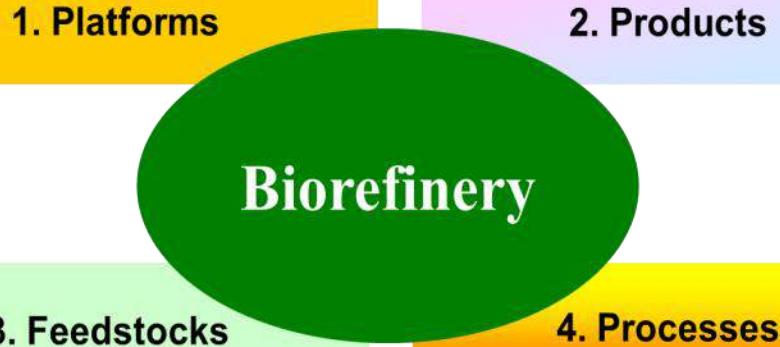
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**„Biorefinery Fact Sheet Calculator  
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# The Classification System of Biorefineries

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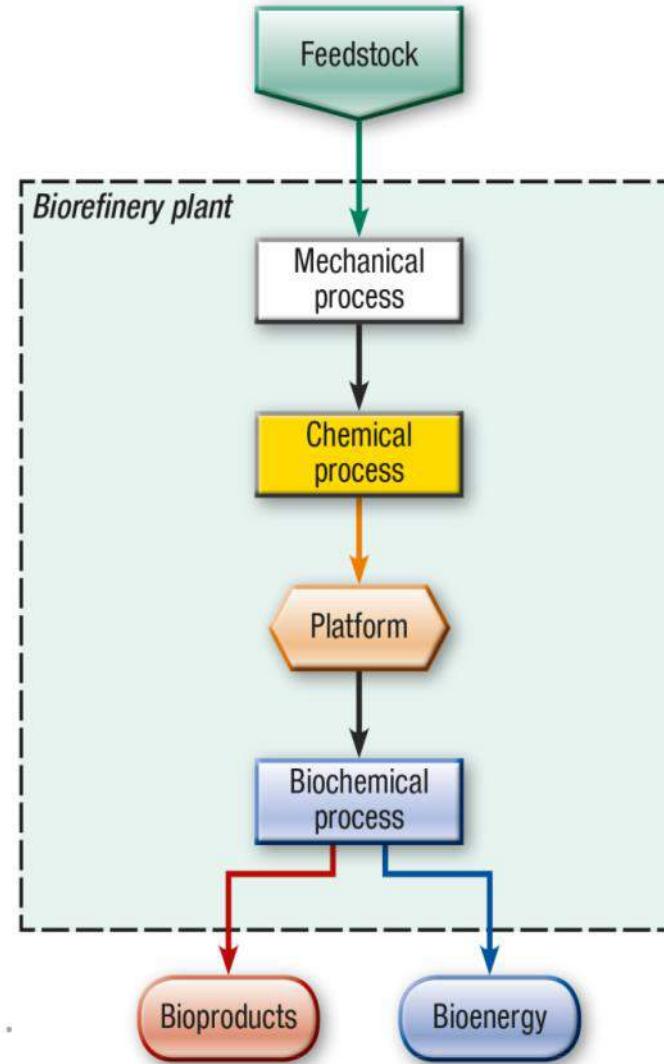
## *The 4 Features to Characterise A Biorefinery Systems*



### **Naming:**

- Principle: Number platforms (Name of platforms)/Feedstock/Products/Processes
- example: „2-platform (electricity&heat, syngas) biorefinery/wood chips/FT-biofuels, electricity, heat, waxes/steam gasification”

## *Generic system*



# Classification System is used...



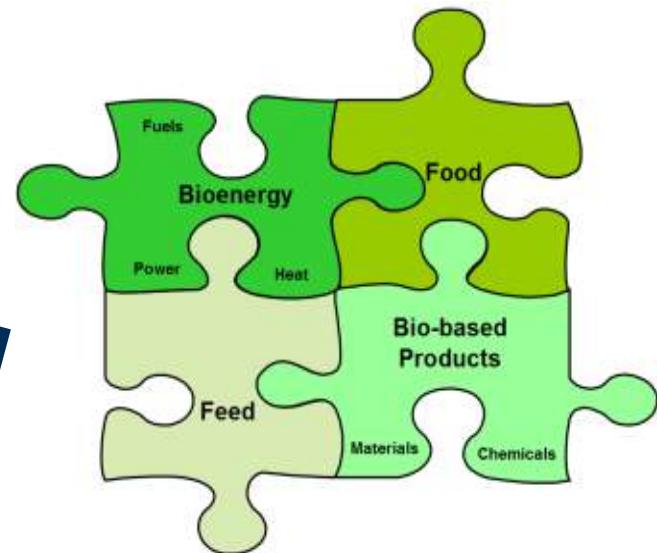
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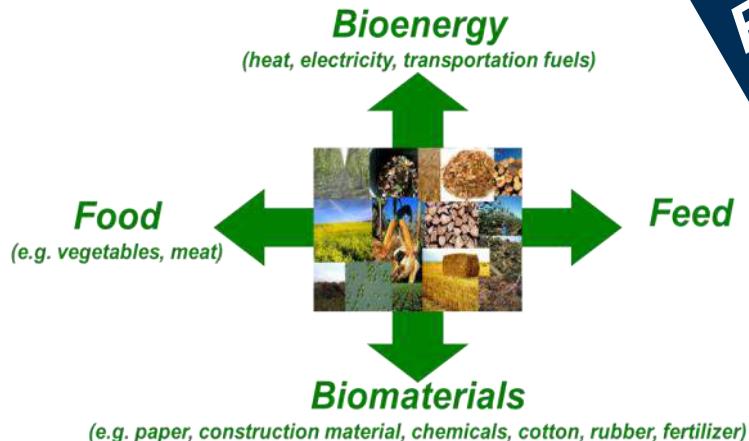
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# The New Way in BioEconomy: From Competition to Integration

## Integration

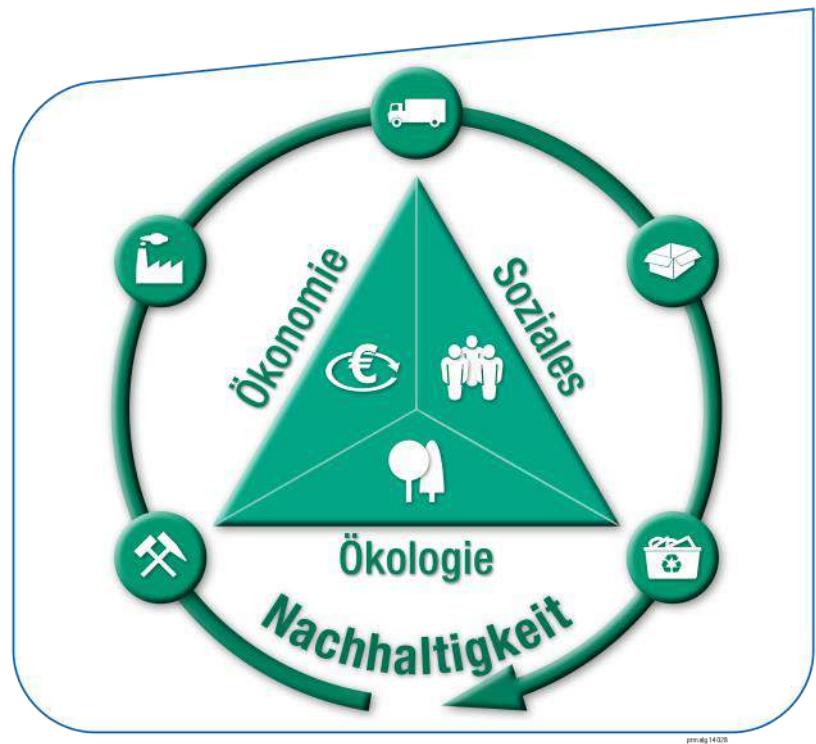


## Competition



Towards  
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# Die VIER Einflüsse der Treibhausgas-Emissionen

**Zukunftsfähiges Energiesystem**

**Lebensstile**

$$tCO_{2\ddot{A}q} = \frac{t_{CO2\ddot{A}q}}{GJ_{Energie}} * \frac{GJ_{Energie}}{DL} * \frac{DL}{P} * P$$

1)                    2)                    3)                    4)

Emissionsfaktor (z.B. erneuerbare Energie)	Energieeffizienz	Dienstleistungen (DL) pro Person	Anzahl der Personen
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# Zukunftsfähige Energiesysteme und Lebensstile

