

Country Report GERMANY

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BioTfueL-Projekt BioTfueL main figures & objectives

- BioTfueL demo plants:
 - Two multiple scale demo plants will be located in France
 - to get scale-up data
 - to validate various scheme/configurations



update October 2015 construction work

start of operation planned for 2017

ongoing

Biolfue

SWU Stadtwerke Ulm/Neu-Ulm CHP Demo Plant





bioenergy2020+

Biomass gasification plant Senden/Ulm, DE





Up date April. 2014

Plant Constructor AGO and SWU settlement out-ofcourt

Retrofit an additional gas cleaning to reduce nitrogen oxides in flue gas

Commissioning in Mai 2014

repotec

12/2009	
commissioning	
Wood chips	
14,3	Ν
5,0	Ν
6,2	Ν
78	%
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Source: R. Rauch, SGG Gasification Seminar 2012

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Up date May 2015

Plant is in operation still not full electrical power generation

- In 2014 average 300 h/month in operation
- In 2015 average 500 h/month in operation

Plant design is 600 h/month

no feedback October 2015

State of the bioliq[®]-Project



- Two measurement campaigns in 2015
- 57 h operation with slurry in 3 week July campaign to review technical improvement
- Further optimization for November campaign
- 100h campaign for the process chain in summer 2016



Industry Guide Thermochemical Biomass Gasification 2015



- > 400 plants in Germany, total installed capacity: 42 Mw_{el}
- Total efficiency up to 85 % (combined heat and power generation)
- Capacity range: small scale plants of 15 kW_{el} up to large scale plants of up to 5 Mw_{el}
- Source: Fördergesellschaft Erneuerbare Energien e.V. (FEE), Industry Guide Thermochemical Biomass Gasification, Berlin, Germany, July 2015
- Web: http://www.fee-ev.de/

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Biomass Gasification manufacturer



- BR Engineering
- Burkhardt
- Holzenergie Wegscheid
- ReGaWatt
- Spanner Re²
- Stadtwerke Rosenheim SynCraft
- Xyloenergy
- Ettenberger
- KOPF SynGas
- Wood Gasifier System Werner

Source: Fördergesellschaft Erneuerbare Energien e.V. (FEE), Industry Guide Thermochemical Biomass Gasification, Berlin, Germany, July 2015

- Ligento green power
- Meva Energy AB
- Qalovis
- URBAS Maschinenfabrik

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Biomass gasification plants



Manufakturer	Technology	Feedstock	Grid feeding plants	Note
BR Engineering GmbH (CH)	Fixed-bed process (optional: moving bed) in combination of cocurrent and countercurrent flow	Unadulterated wood, wood chips, other biomasses (among others hogged fuel)	2	 Since 1997 Cold gas efficiency: up to 90% Production of biochar USP: proven for demolition wood/ ash free of char
Burkhardt GmbH (D)	Fluidized bed process in cocurrent flow	Pellets	120	 Since 2011 wood gas cogeneration plants wood gasifier with downstream CHP Electric efficiency of more than 30 %
Holzenergie Wegscheid GmbH (D)	Fixed-bed process in cocurrent flow	Unadulterated wood, briquettes & maxi-sized pellets, wood chips	34	 Distributing countries: D, A, CH, I, SLO, J, CDN, F, PL
ReGaWatt GmbH	Fixed-bed in countercurrent flow	Wood chips from various sources up to 30 % bark and landscape management chips	4	Since 2010Distributing countries: EU

Source: Fördergesellschaft Erneuerbare Energien e.V. (FEE), Industry Guide Thermochemical Biomass Gasification, Berlin, Germany, July 2015

USP: Unique selling point

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Manufakturer	Technology	Feedstock	Grid feeding plants	Note
Spanner Re² GmbH	Fixed-bed process in cocurrent flow	Unadulterated wood, forest chips (at 30 kWel), wood chips	440	 Spanner Re² wood cogeneration plants Since 2008 Distributing countries: D, A, CH, I, CZ, SLO, LV, CDN, GB, FIN, HR, J, PL
Stadtwerke Rosenheim GmbH & Co. KG	Fluidized bed and tiered process, combination of concurrent and eddy flow (Rosenheimer Process)	Unadulterated wood, wood chips		 Since 2015 Distributing countries: DE, AT, I
SynCraft (A)	Tiered process in cocurrent flow (floating fixed-bed)	Unadulterated wood, tree and shrub cuttings, waste wood class A, wood chips	3	 By-product bio char Fuel flexibility No additives needed Electric efficiency 30 %
Xyloenergy GmbH	Fixed-bed process in cocurrent flow	Unadulterated wood, wood chips	1	 capacity via 100 % diesel/ bio- diesel as well; utilization of waste wood Distributing countries: EU

Source: Fördergesellschaft Erneuerbare Energien e.V. (FEE), Industry Guide Thermochemical Biomass Gasification, Berlin, Germany, July 2015

Biomass gasification plants



Manufakturer	Technology	Feedstock	Grid feeding plants	Note
Ettenberger GmbH & Co. KG	Tiered gasification process in combination	Unadulterated wood, wood chips, short rotation plants	3	
KOPF SynGas GmbH & Co. KG	Fluidized bed process	Sewage sludge (10 % moist. cont.)	2	• Since 2000
Wood Gasifier System Werner	Fixed-bed process in cocurrent flow	Unadulterated wood, wood chips	1	
Ligento green power GmbH	Fixed-bed process in cocurrent flow	Unadulterated wood, residual wood from forestry, short rotation plants, wood chips	2	
Meva Energy (S)	Entrained flow in cocurrent flow	Unadulterated wood, wood chips, pellets, saw dust, husks, straw	1	
Qalovis GmbH	Fixed-bed process in cocurrent flow	Unadulterated wood, residual wood from forestry and landscape conservation, wood chips, pellets	1	 USP: no scrubbing of gas needed
URBAS Maschinenfabrik GmbH (A)	Fixed-bed process in concurrent flow	Unadulterated wood, wood chips	14	Since 2008

Source: Fördergesellschaft Erneuerbare Energien e.V. (FEE), Industry Guide Thermochemical Biomass Gasification, Berlin, Germany, July 2015

Biomass gasification datasheet





Stadtwerke Rosenheim GmbH & Co. KG

The Stadtwerke Rosenheim (Rosenheim Municipal Utilities) introduces its own wood gasifier: A reliable, effective and safe technology that converts wood-derived energy efficiently. Therefore operators achieve exceedingly higher power and heat outputs. During the development of the wood gasifier starting in 2007, we were able to profit from our long lasting experience in the operation of power plants. This makes our process, the so-called 'Rosenheimer Verfahren', unique. Starting in 2015, our first gasifiers will be delivered to reference customers. We, as a municipal utility, can provide an all-in-one solution: From the energy concept and the engineering to the operation of the plant.

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Unadulterated wood, wood chips

5% fine content at max, 2 mm,

· Fluidized bed and tiered process, combination of concurrent and

(>75% fuel utilization rate)

- Staff: 12
- Since 2015
- · Distributing countries: DE, AT, I



- 95 kW_{th} | 50 kW_{al}
- · Quality of charge material: 12% moist cont.,

lumpiness 30 x 30 x 30 mm,

max. 60 mm chip

- eddy flow
- 42 kg/h fuel requirement. 12% moist cont.
- · Gas utilization via motor
- · USP: very high gas quality,

energy-efficient



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