

# Torrefaction and gasification.

The alternative created by Torrgas

technologically & economically viable; 100% sustainable.

# Traditional gasification dilemmas:



- Heterogeneous feedstock
- Low grindability
- High moisture content
- Variability is a huge challenge for an 8000 hours/year, continuous and stable operation

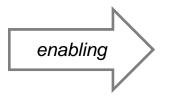
- Agglomeration in fluidized beds
- High CapEx for entrained flow slagging gasifiers
- High CapEx and OpEx for complex tar removal systems
- Low product quality (H<sub>2</sub>:CO ratios)



### And the solution...



A proprietary torrefaction technology



A novel skid mounted 2-stage gasification system



### Biomass is not a fuel... torrefied biomass is.



Υ	Tough	N
Υ	Fibrous	N
Υ	Hydrophilic	N
Y	Biodegradable	N
Y	Heterogeneous	N
Y	Poor energy density	N



### Torrefaction benefits in logistics:

- 1. Energy density from 2-3 GJ/m<sup>3</sup> to 15-20 GJ/m<sup>3</sup>
- 2. Hydrophilic: open air transport & storage possible
- 3. Commodity: biomass becomes a commodity instead of a local product

### Torrefaction benefits in gasification:

- Pulverized gasification → short residence time → high output/reactor volume
- 2. High (cold gas) efficiency due to absense of moisture
- 3. Continuity in both syngas composition as well as process handling torrgas

# Features of our Torrefaction technology:

- Flexibility to accommodate different feedstock
- Scalability in solid conveying and heat transfer mechanisms
- Heat integration between the torrefaction reactor and a waste heat source
- Inherent safety owing to the volatility of the raw biomass
- Variability in operational parameters for adapting to optimum torrefaction process conditions
- Reactor volume optimization achieved through the highest possible filling rates

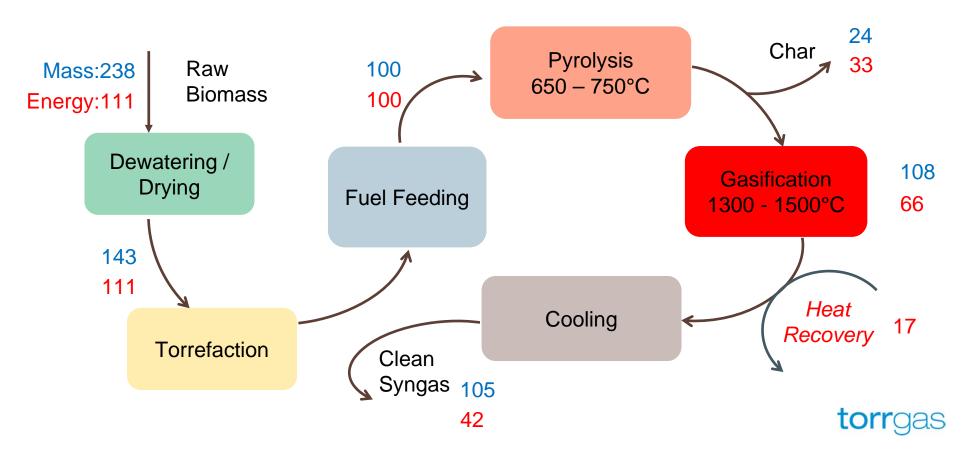








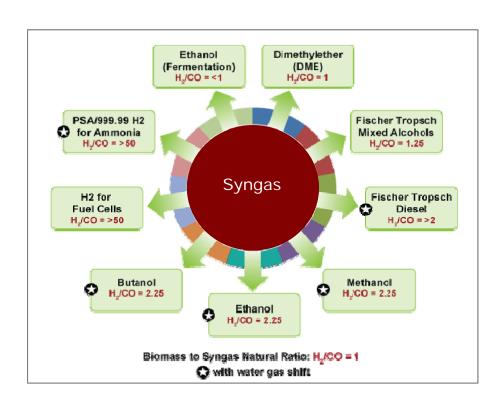
# An integrated torrefaction / gasification system



# Characteristics

De-centralized
Low CapEx
High efficiency
Skid mounted/Modular
Drop-in syngas properties

## Torrgas syngas can used for chemical synthesis.



### Examples of hydroformylation products



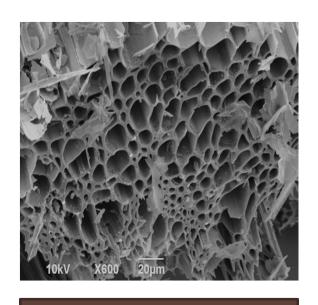
# Torrgas syngas can substitute natural gas or propane in existing gas burners.



- 1. **Drop-in properties:** 12 MJ/kg, nitrogen and tar free syngas meets requirements for direct mixing without major burner modifications.
- 2. Skid mounted bio-syngas generator: up to 15 MW<sub>th</sub> feed capacity can be installed on portable skid due to high volumetric reactor output.
- 3. Limited logistic handling: torrefied biomass handling is far less complicated and space intensive than that of untreated biomass.



# Torrgas technology also produces *char* with which has a wide range of applications.



char with 2-20µm pores

- 1. Activated carbon market: water and flue-gas cleaning.
- 2. Soil Enhancer (biochar): a high-carbon soil supplement that retains water, microbes and nutrients.
- 3. Metallurgical char: high purity biochar can produce high purity steel with low carbon footprint.
- 4. Petcoke replacement for producers (Titanium, Silicon Carbide) requiring low sulfur petcoke.
- 5. BBQ-briquettes: the high carbon content / low volatile content makes it an ideal recreational fuel.



### Our history and short term rollout plan:

#### 2008 - 2012

- World's first large scale torrefaction plant (60kta)
- Awards from World Economic Forum, Bloomberg and WWF

#### 2004 - 2006

 First 3,5 MW gasifier lessons learned on feedstock stability, tars, slagging

### 2012 - 2015

- First proof of principle (2012) of the non slagging tar free gasifier concept
- Building of 0.7 MW pilot plant at DNV-GL

### 2016

- Pilot Plant trials at 0.7 MW plant at DNV-GL
- Basic engineering of 10 MW gasifier in Delfzijl
- Design & development of proprietary torrefaction process

### 2017 onwards

- Building & construction of 10 MW R&D plant in Delfzijl (Netherlands)
- Integration of syngas stream and downstream process



### A view into the bio-based economy... \$10-15 GJ<sup>-1</sup> Value Added **Products Gasification Cost:** \$3 - 8 GJ<sup>-1</sup> \$6-11 GJ<sup>-1</sup> Yield Cost Char compensation Syngas by selling char: Synthetic Bio-Fuel Feedstock \$4 GJ<sup>-1</sup> \$7 GJ<sup>-1</sup> Carbon Yield Cost: \$4 GJ<sup>-1</sup> \$3 GJ<sup>-1</sup> Torrefied Biomass Torrefaction Cost: \$2 GJ<sup>-1</sup> Raw Biomass \$1 GJ<sup>-1</sup> torrgas

# Our partners and investors

















# Thank you for your attention

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