

# IEA TASK 33: Gasification of Biomass and waste

## Country update – France



## FRANCE TASK 33 MEMBERS : GASIFICATION OF BIOMASS AND WASTE

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## A French association bringing together the stakeholders across the entire value chain

### HISTORY

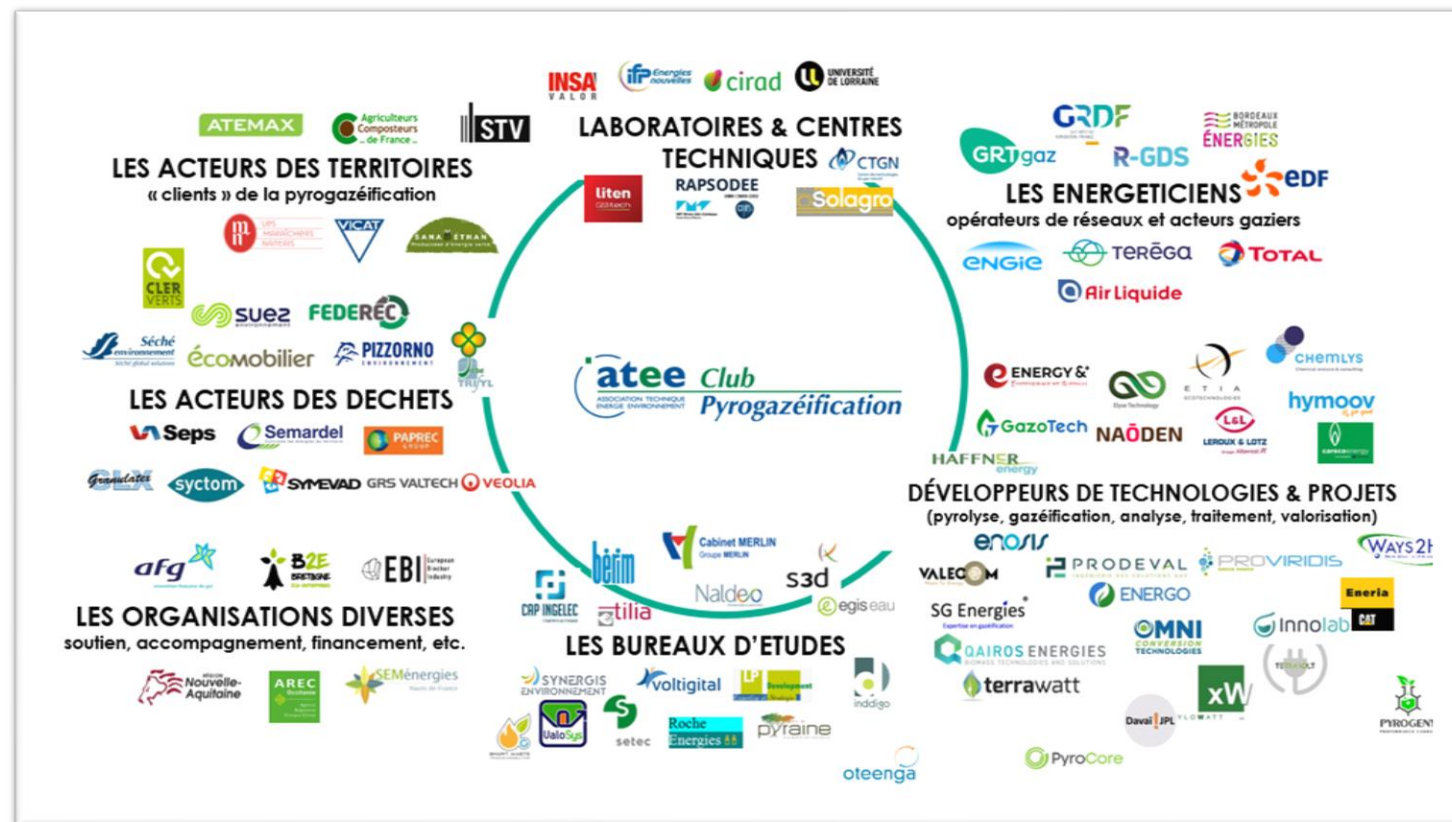
- **2014: Creation of the “Pyrogasification Club” 2014**

Gathers the main stakeholders in the sector across its entire value chain (biomass and waste managers, manufacturers, "end customers", equipment manufacturers, engineering offices, laboratories and researchers, gas network managers, major energy companies, etc.)

- **2019: the Club joined ATEE**, the French Technical Association for Energy and Environment

### MISSIONS

- **Structure and lead a collaborative exchange platform**, promote the sharing of feedback and collaboration between members
- **Bringing the voice of stakeholders to the public authorities**
- **Communicate, inform and maintain a sector watch**
  - ✓ participate in events, publish resources in order to raise awareness of the sector
  - ✓ inform members by providing them with information on news of interest to the sector (ongoing consultations, legislative and regulatory changes, launch of a call for projects, etc.)



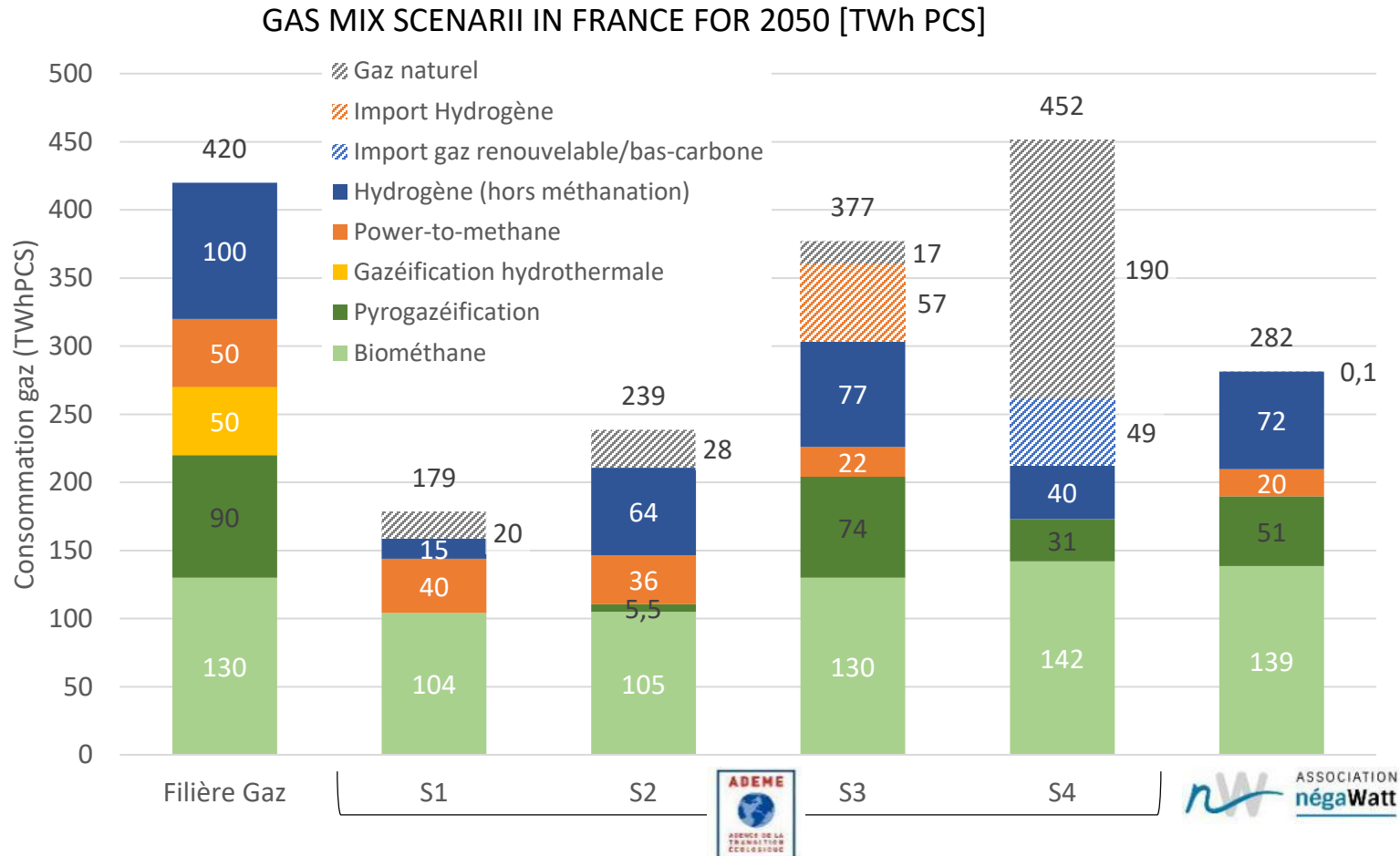
# Production of SNG and Biomethane



# THE GASIFICATION IS A LEVER FOR THE DECARBONIZATION OF THE GAS NETWORK

RENEWABLE AND LOW CARBON GAS ROUTE 2030 - 2050

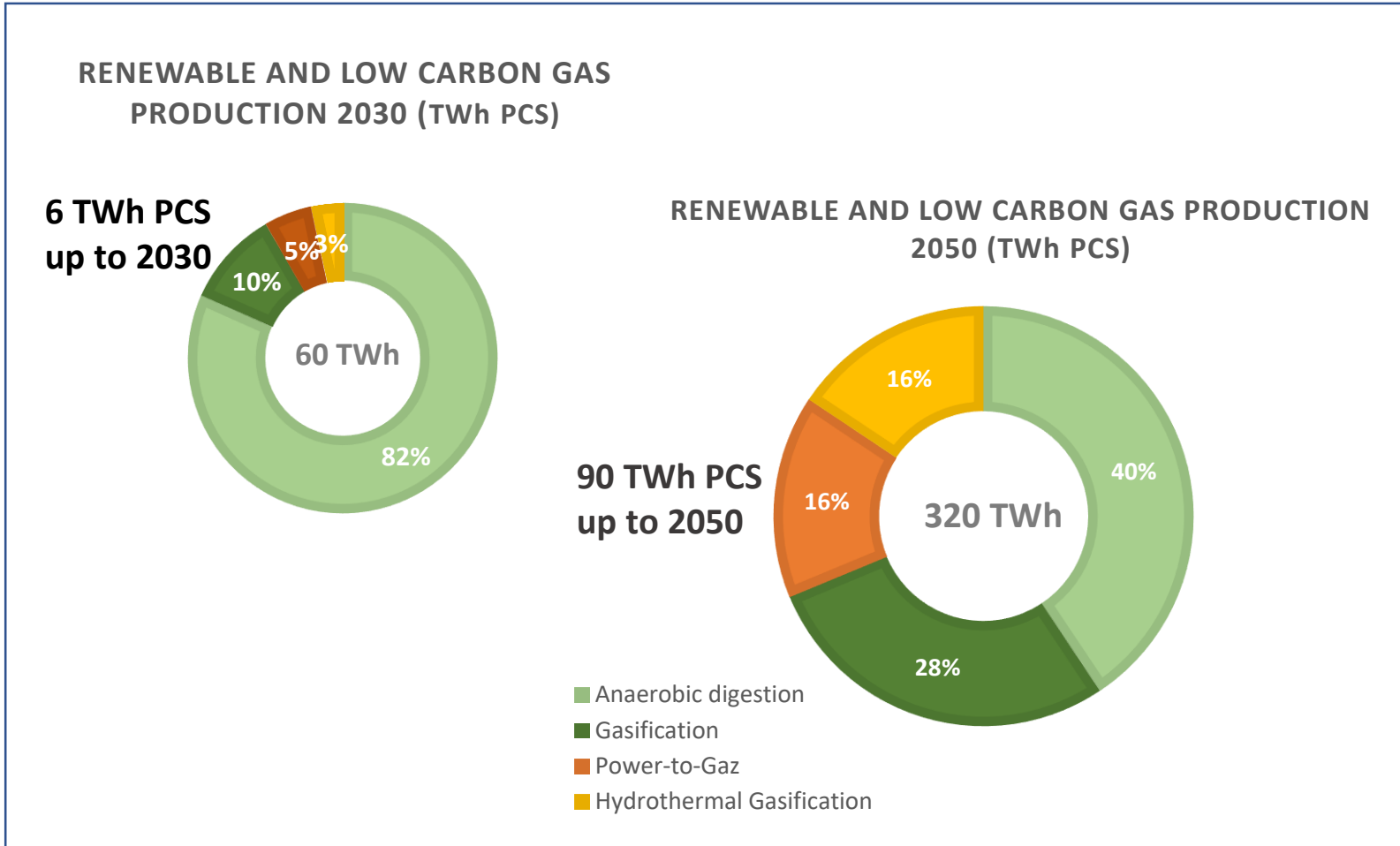
The **gasification of biomass and waste for the production of renewable and low-carbon methane for injection** is present in the different 2050 perspective studies such as ADEME, negaWatt and network manager scenarii.



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RENEWABLE AND LOW CARBON GAS ROUTE 2030 - 2050

The trajectory of renewable and low-carbon gas production by gasification with respect of the hierarchy of uses of biomass and waste recovery represents up to **10% of renewable gas production in 2030 and 30% in 2050.**



## French Policy

- **Authorization to inject renewable gases into the networks** (art. L. 111-97 of the energy code): regulatory sandbox in progress
- **Partial definition of gas from gasification:**
  - **Biomass / wood waste = biogas, or biomethane** if cleaned and injected
  - **CSR** (e.g. plastics): no suitable definition for synthetic methane (in progress **LOW CARBON GAS** proposition in PJJ ENR)

# The Gasification and SNG Valorisation

## Overview of some Gasification plants in FRANCE

### ATEMAX - St Langis-Lès-Mortagne

Industrial installation ("CRE bid solicitation")  
 cogeneration of biomass)  
 Activity waste: animal meal (29 kt/year)



### SYNTHANE - Compiègne

Demonstrator - Pyrolysis and catalytic methanation  
 Tests on various carbonaceous wastes



### KERVAL CENTRE ARMOR – St Briec

Pilot site - 160kWth, 90 kW  
 Tests on various carbonaceous waste: wood, CSR  
 ⇒ Duplication of the process with consumers  
 ⇒ Implementation of a circular economy scheme



### R-HYNOCA – Strasbourg

Industriel Demonstrator  
 With local Biomasse local  
 ⇒ 720 kg d'H<sub>2</sub> / day : for mobility uses (bus)



### INNOV' ENERGY & TITAN V - Nantes

R&D platform / Demonstrator  
 Gasification and biological methanation  
 Carbonaceous waste (biomass, CSR, WWTP sludge)



### SYNNOV waste – Villers-sous-Montrond

Industrial plant - 7 MWe, 12 MWth  
 Biomass, industrial waste, sorting waste  
 Valorisation of 45 kt/year



### WOOD-HY – CC Landes d'Armagnac

Industrial plant (start-up 2022)  
 Forestry residues (cut wood, thinning)  
 ⇒ 600 t of green H<sub>2</sub>: industry, mobility  
 ⇒ CO<sub>2</sub> co-product valorized in food industry



### GAYA - Plateforme St Fons Green Lab

Demonstrator / R&D platform - 1 MW  
 Wood residues then wood waste and CSR  
 ⇒ Demonstration of the whole technical chain



- Production of Electricity and Heat
- Production of SNG – biomethane for injection
- Production of Hydrogene

# The Gasification and SNG Valorisation

## Overview of Gasification for biomethane injection Projects

49 projects have submitted an application under the AMI (Call for Expression of Interest) launched by GRTgaz and NSE throughout France. Of these, 19 are at the development stage.

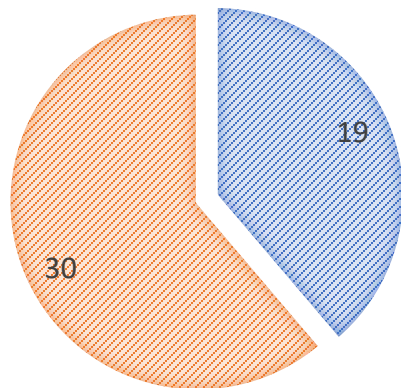
The information provided by the project leaders shows the potential of the sector and its ability to contribute to the achievement of the objectives of incorporating green gas into the French mix. With a **total capacity** of the identified projects evaluated at **4.1 TWhPCS/year**



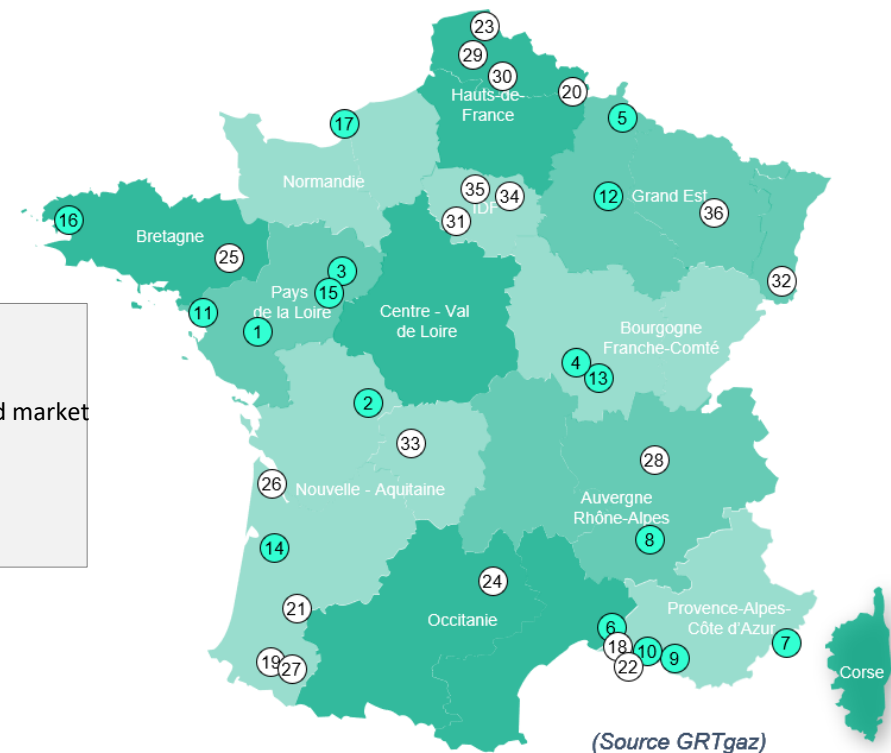
### 49 Project participants



■ In development ■ Feasibility studies



### 11/13 regions



**Statut du projet :**

- In development and market studies
- feasibility studies

(Source GRTgaz)



**An R&D  
programm that  
last 10 years**

Logos of partner organizations: ENGIE Lab, repotec, cea, FCBA, cirad, LRP, le LABO NATORIOIRE DE GENIE CHIMIQUE, UCFE, UCCS, ctp

**Project Targets**

Proof the technical, economic and environmental feasibility of 2nd generation biomethane production



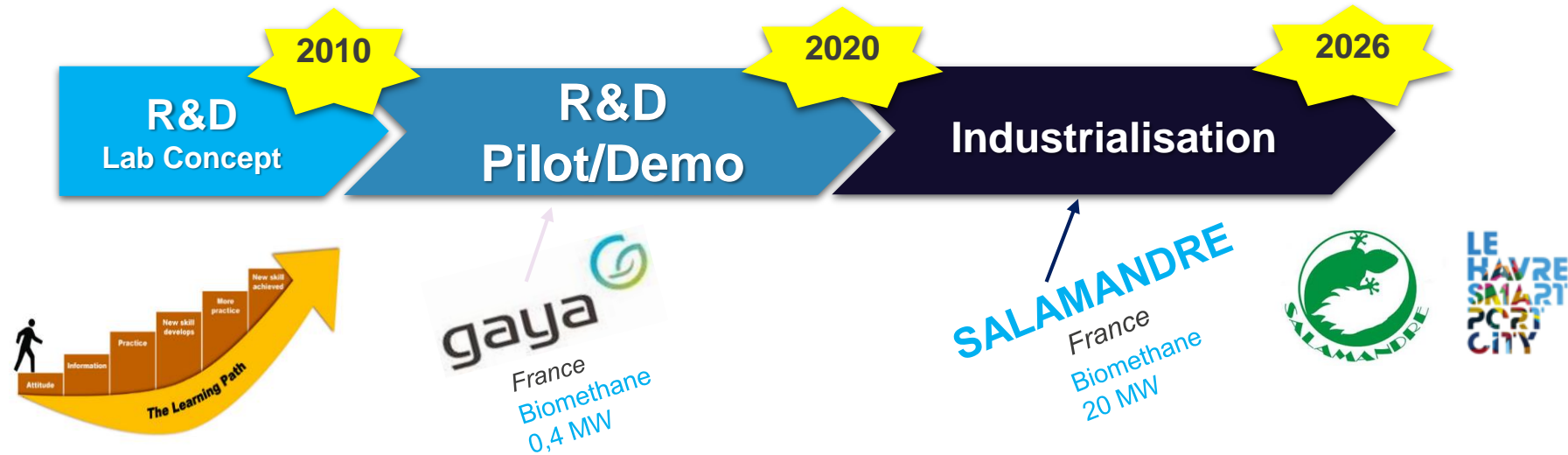
**A unique R&D  
demonstrative plant  
covering the entire  
production chain**

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# COMMERCIAL TECHNOLOGY

SALAMANDRE Project the commercial plant after GAYA pilot



# Production of Bio-fuels

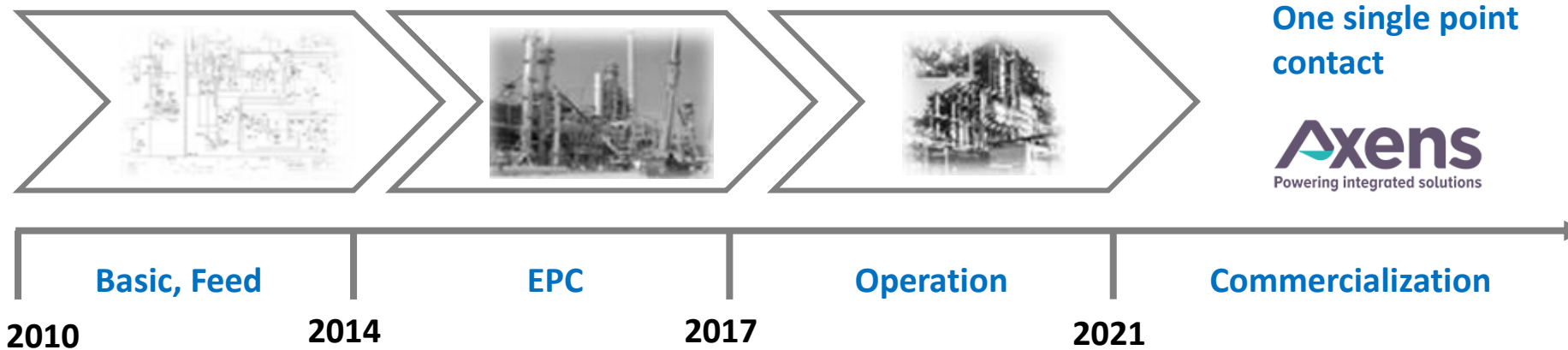


The BioTfuel project purposes are to :  
develop, demonstrate and commercialize a full B-XtL chain

The process chain was validated and optimized on a wide range of biomasses

End to end solution :

- ✓ From R&D to market
- ✓ From biomass to final product

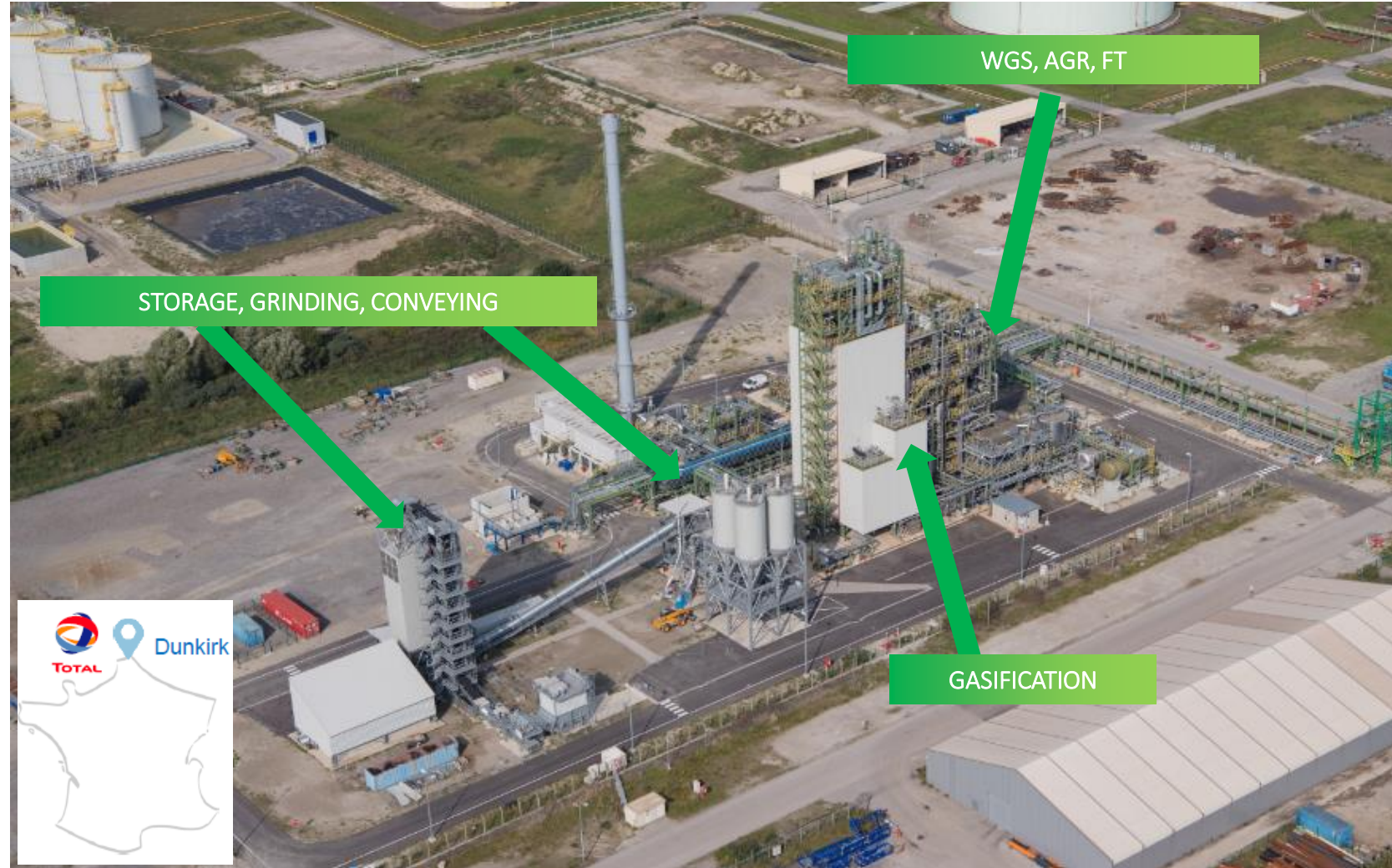


One single point contact



- 190 millions €
- 11 + years R&D project
- 2 demo units

- Gasification, conditioning of synthetic gas and synthetic fuel production
- **High carbon conversion**
- **High syngas yield and quality**
- **Produce renewable fuels**
  - ✓ Gasoline / Naphtha
  - ✓ Sustainable Aviation Fuel
  - ✓ Diesel
- Gasification : **15 MWth**



- Technology de-risking and optimization: **completed**
  - Validate the process chain on a **wide range of biomasses**
  - Production of **Fischer-Tropsch Waxes from Biomass**
  - **Optimize** the operating conditions and **maximize** the yields
  - Consolidate **performances** and **validate the extrapolation model**
  - Implement **improvements** from operations feedbacks
  - **Operability**, confirm the time on stream during **long term operations**
  
- Commercialization: **on going**
  - Axens (on behalf of consortium): **single licensor** for the complete B-XtL chain
  - A performance guarantee for the complete chain
    - For processes and catalysts
    - From biomass to final products
  - A full set of **services from studies to unit start-up** and follow-up



6 partners

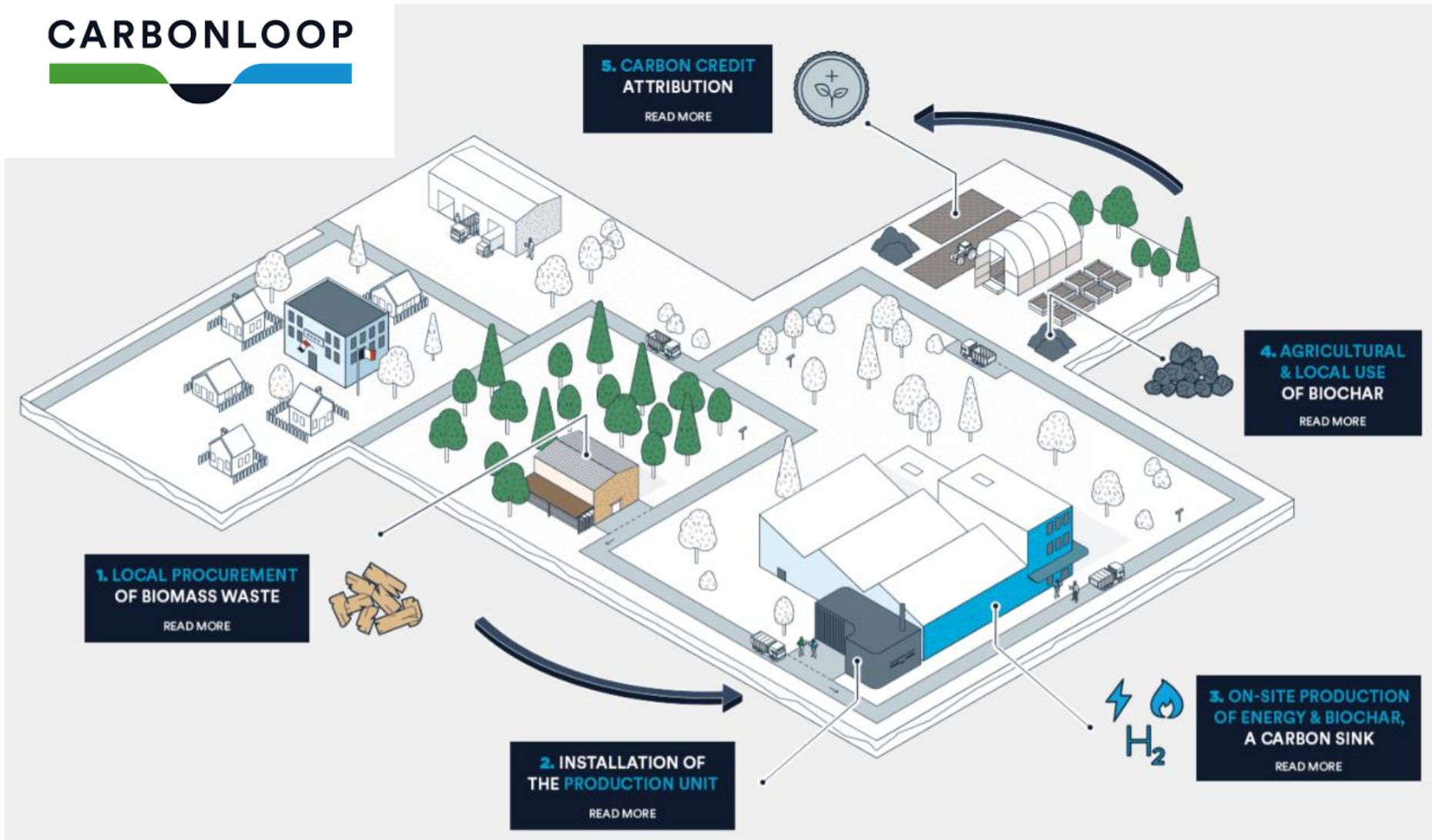


# Production of Green Hydrogen and Biochar



# Production of Hydrogen for mobility

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