

Visiting Solrød Biogas

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Solrød Biogas A/S

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**Presentation of
Solrød Biogas A/S**

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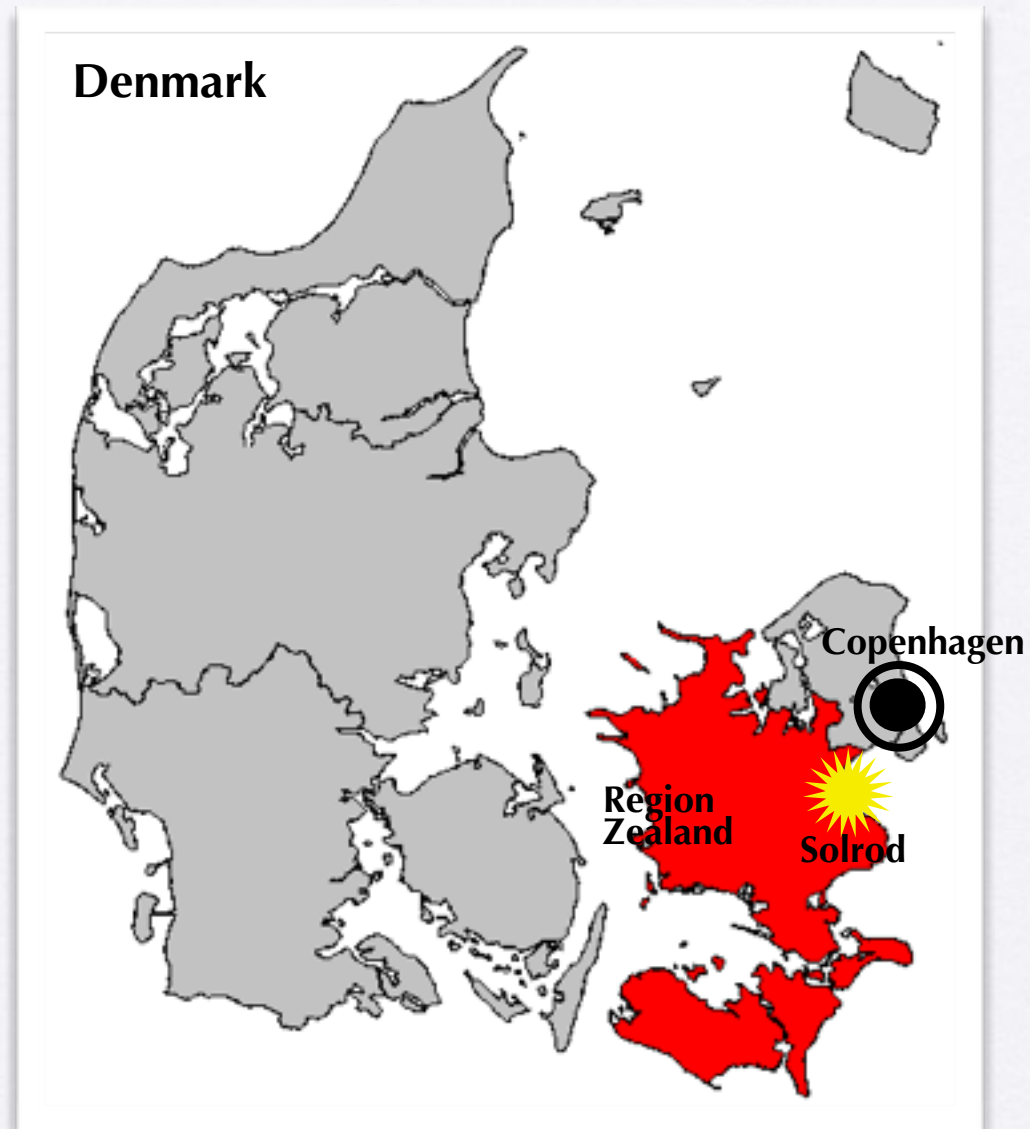


Introduction

Solrod / Solrød

Experience of Solrod Municipality

- **Background**
 - The national policy and support
- **Introduction to planning activities in Solrød**
 - Local leadership
 - Construction of the biogas plant
 - The biogas plant - raw materials and production
- **Biogas plant in local community**
 - The circular economy
- **Basic principle**
 - The local services and benefit



Danish background

Strong expansion

Biogas plant

- **Larger plants**

From less than 50 TJ/year
to typically 200-400 TJ/year

or:

From 14,000 MWh/year to
typical 56,000-112,000 MWh/Y

the biggest:

around 348,000 MWh / year

- **Several types of installations:**

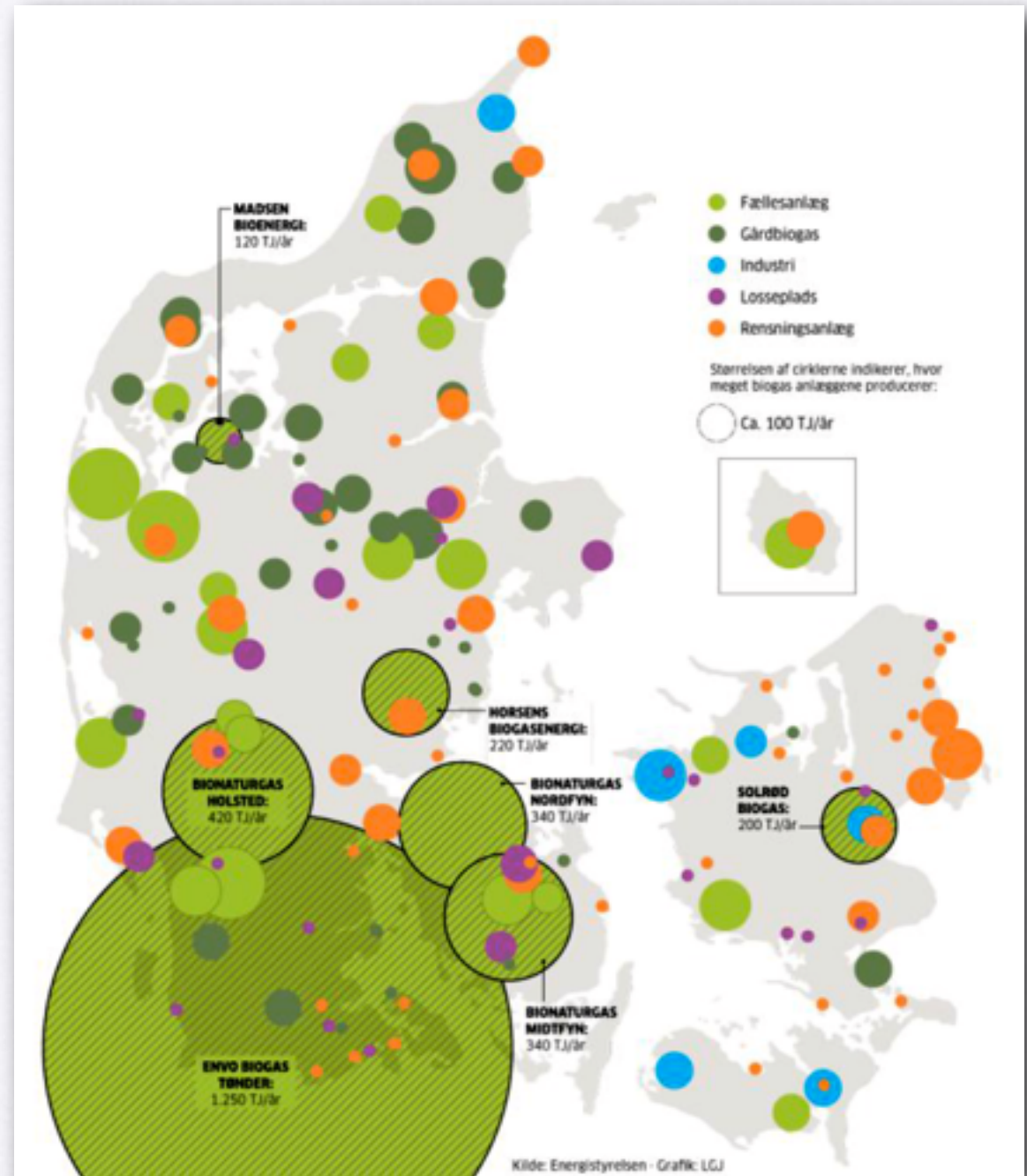
- 1) Biogas joint plant

- Manure
- Industrial plants
- Mix plant

- 2) Farm biogas plant

- 3) Industrial plants

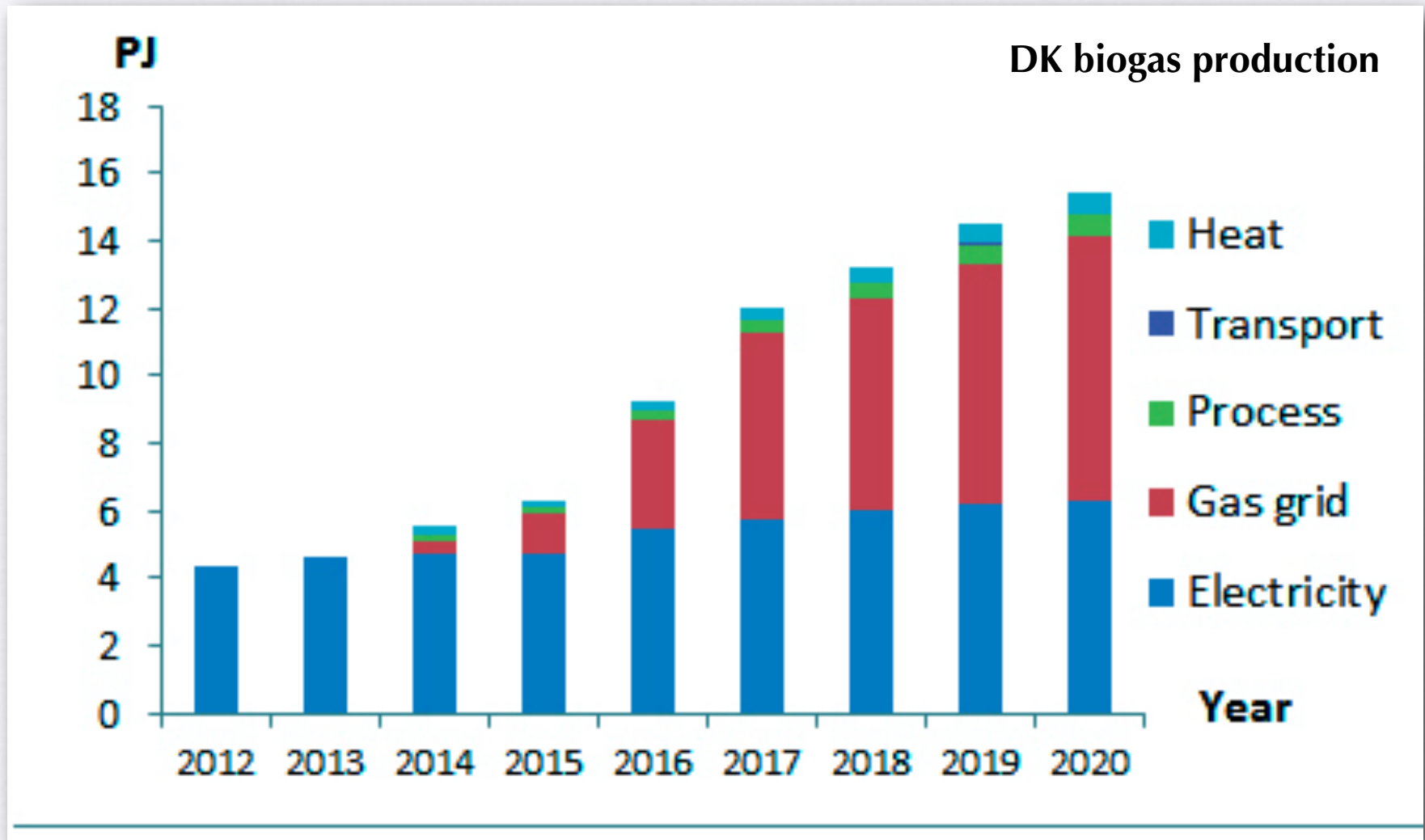
- 4) Drainage and wastewater treatment plants



Danish background

The development - biogas production

Realized and expected



Why is biogas important?

September 2019:

- 86% natural gas from North Sea
- 14% biogas from biogas plants
(Calculated as methane content)

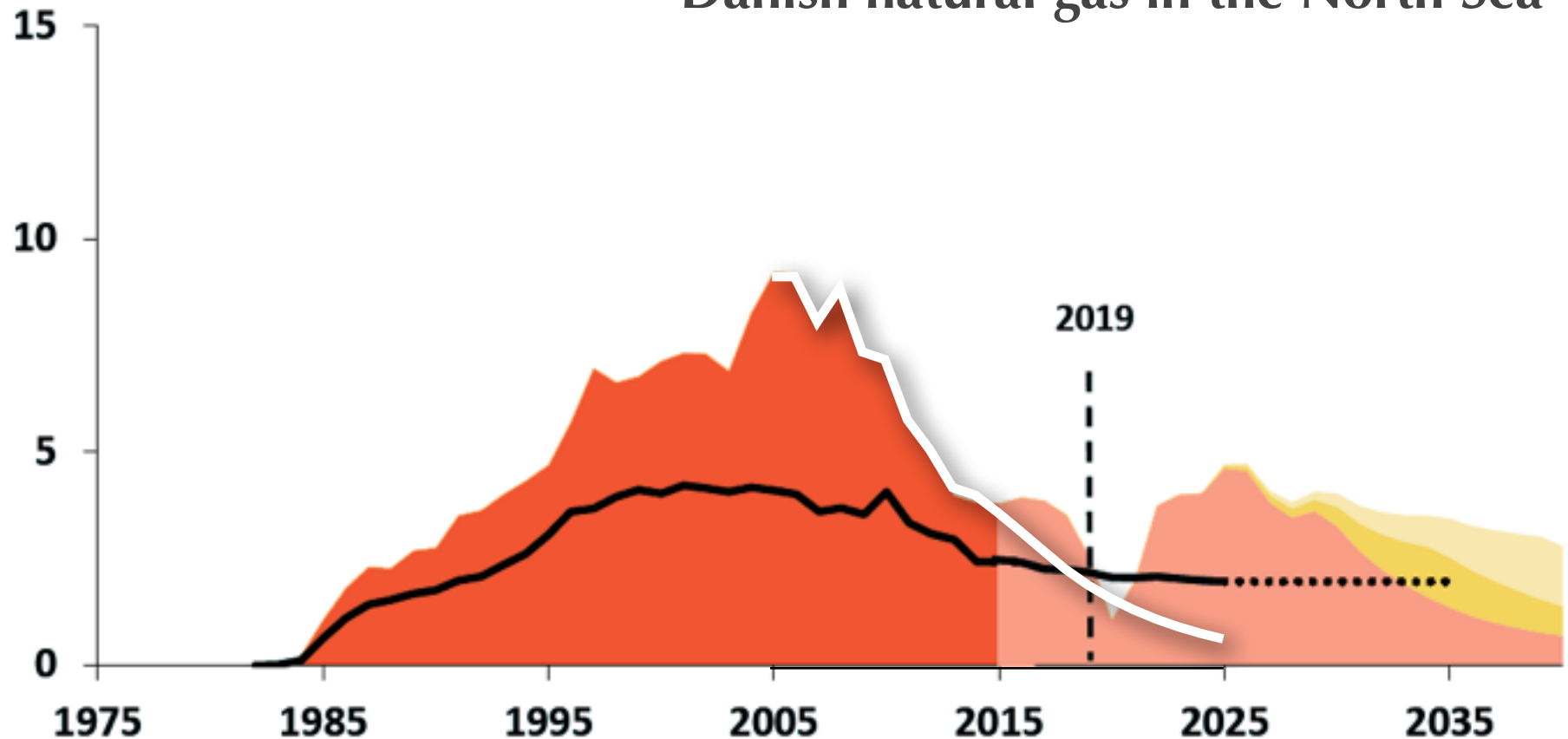
North Sea oil and gas



Why is biogas important?

mia. Nm³

Danish natural gas in the North Sea



Produktion

Teknologiske ressourcer

Forbrug

Forventet forløb

Efterforskningsressourcer

Ekstrapoleret forbrug

The development

Local energy leadership

From Heating plan — Climate action Plan / SEAP — To a number of projects



Continuous processes

A starter

Covenant of Mayors Action Plan

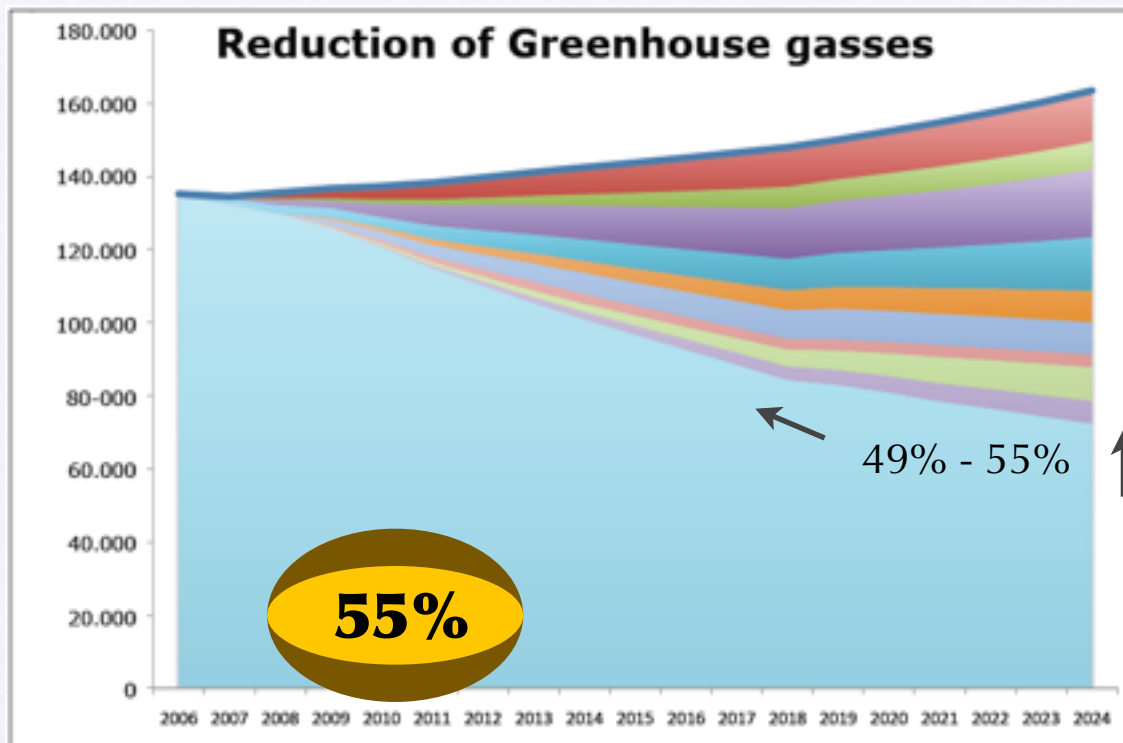
Actions: COM projects

The development

Solrod: The action plan (Covenant of Mayors)

Greenhouse gas reduction in short (2014) and long term (2025):

- Starting point: **143.800 tons**
- Without doing nothing: **161.700 tons** (in 2025)
- Goal for 2025: **72.800 tons** (in 2025)



Reduction of greenhouse gases Solrød Municipality (whole)

Emissions in 2007: **143,800 tons**

Business as usual: **161,700 tons**

Reduction:

Objective:

Emission in 2025: **72,800 tons**

Reduction 2007-2025: **61,100 tons**

Achieved reduction:

From 2007-2016: **52,028 tons**

Hereof the biogas: **41.400 tons**

Missing:

Period 2017-2025: **9.072 tons**

The development

Triple helix - creation of local involvement

- Authority (municipality)
- Enterprises (energy, etc.)
- Knowledge institutions

Triple helix:

- not created in advance
- but developed through the proces

See the **timeline** and the Involvement schemes at next page:

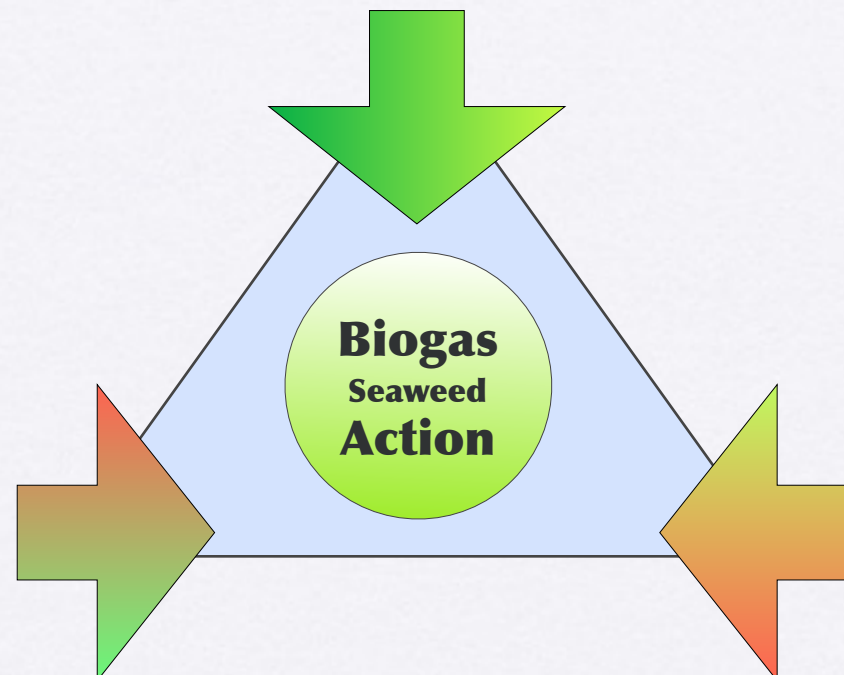
Companies

- Private companies
- Municipal company
- Associations

The municipality

Three main roles

- Authority
- State Representative
- Entrepreneur
- Energy producer and consumer



Knowledge

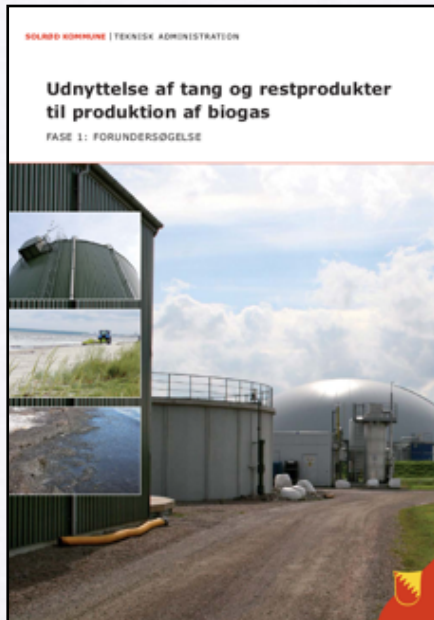
- Knowledge institution
- Advisors
- R&D institutions (universities, etc.)

The development

Process and flow - biogas Solrød

From feasibility to plant

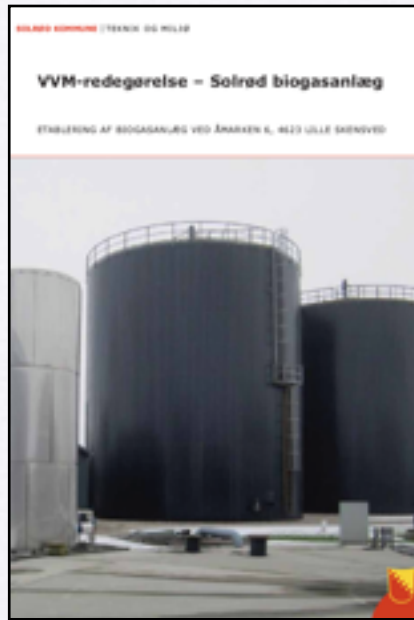
Phase 1



Feasibility study
2010

Fase 1 - Feasibility studies

Phase 2



EIA, Permit, local
plan 2011-12

Fase 2a - public approvals

Technical assistance
2012-2014

Fase 2b - design & tender

Phase 3

Solrød Biogas plant
Building period
2014-2015

Organized as a
limited company
owned by the Solrød
Municipality

Operated with an
private company
Bigadan

Fase 3 - Construction

Public private partnership - From public to private

The development

The flow - biogas plant

From feasibility to plant

The proces organized in three phases



Phase 1

Initial phase

- possible ideas
- possible potential
- possible needs
- determination of cooperative relationships

Completed for the mentioned project proposals

Next phase →

Phase 2

Project development

- Specification of plant design
- Permits and regulatory approvals:
 - The Danish Planning Act
 - The Danish Environmental Protection Act
 - The Danish Heat Supply Act, etc.
- Supplier contracts (raw materials and output (gas, power, heat, by-products, etc.))
- Ownership - clarification

→ Possible tender → Next phase

Phase 3

Construction contract

- construction of plant
- construction inspection
- initialisation
- guarantees
- etc.

Solrød Biogas Ltd.

PUBLIC-PRIVATE COOPERATION

COMPANY-PRIVATE

År 2008

2009

2009

2010

2010

2012

2014

2014

November 2015

Years of genes with rotting seaweed on the beach

Local cooperation on cleaning the beach

New climate plan in Solrød (55%). Biogas on seaweed

Initial research of seaweed. Grants from Regional Fund

Results of survey: Large gas yield. Additional biogas surveys

Authority approval 2010-14. Grants from the Regional Fund

Subsidies from the EU for preparing turnkey contracts PDA

Solrød Biogas formed as A/S Contract concluded

Bigadan selected as total contractor plus 5 years operation

The plant completed
Official opening
Production starts

Stakeholders

- Creating stakeholder involvement through the planning & construction process

Roskilde University



Local farmers pig & cattle

Research Center Foulum, Aarhus University



District heating transmission company

CHR HANSEN

Improving food & health



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Solrød Biogas
- helt naturligt

Operation & Ownership:

- Owned by the Municipality
- Operated by Bigadan A/S
- Biogas engine owned and operated by VEKS

Solrød Kommune



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Improving food & health



Minister

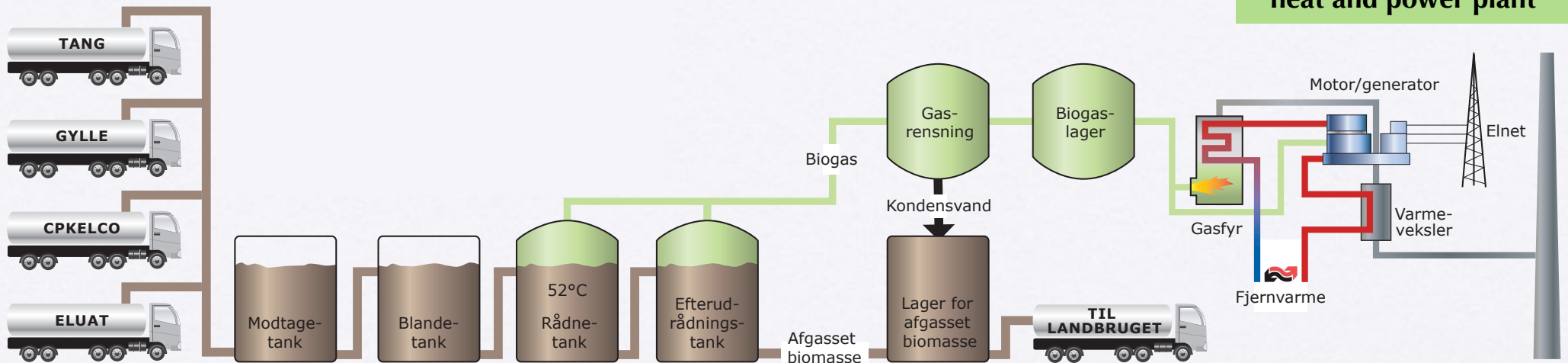
Mayor

Commission

The Biogas plant

Biogas - raw materials

Designed for 226,000 tons



Biogas used in combined heat and power plant

| Biomass | Amount (tons) | Biogas | Main contribution |
|------------------------------|----------------|--------|--------------------------------------|
| Manure, seaweed, other | 51,000 | 6.0% | Gas production and process stability |
| CPKelco: Pectin, carrageenan | 95,000 | 59.1% | Gas production |
| Chr.Hansen: Eluat (BioTech) | 60,000 | 12.6% | Gas production and nutrients |
| Biopulp (organic waste) | 20,000 | 22,3% | Gas production and nutrients |
| Ialt | 226,000 | | |

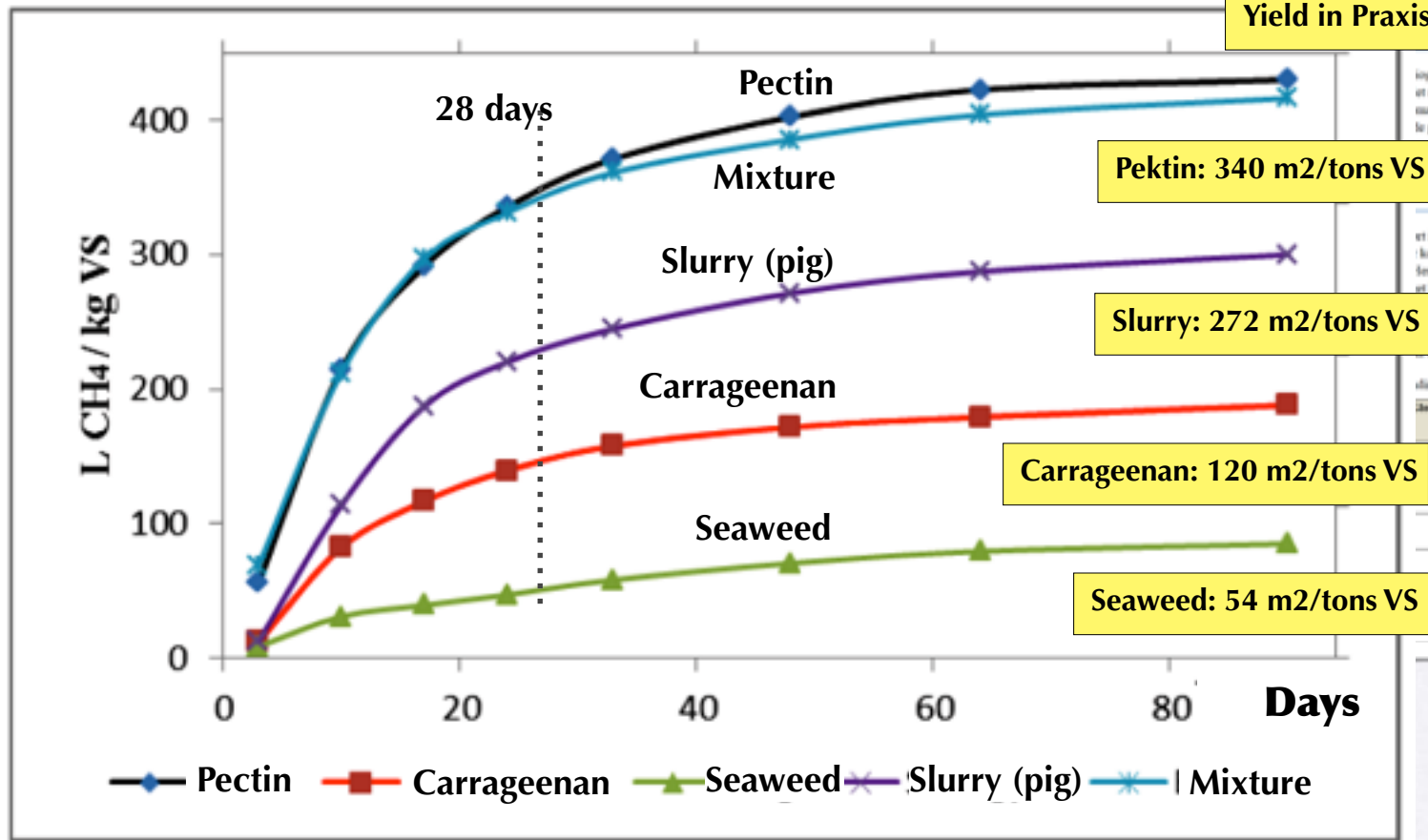
* Eluate from lactic acid production

The Biogas plant

Tests of raw materials

A number of tests has been initiated. Operation assumption:

- 320 m³ of methane per tons of dry matter
- 30 m³ of methane per tons of raw material
- or 1,060 m³ of biogas per hour



Biogas forsøg med alternativ biomasse til Solrød biogasanlæg - Fase 2

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Biogas behandling af tang, pektinrestprodukter og husdyrgødning

Henrik Rasmussen Møller og Othman Prasad Ghantam
Aarhus Universitet, Institut for Ingeniørvidenskab

Biogas forsøg med den planlagte biomasseoversættelse på et med forsvaret er at bestemme biogasudbytte og proces masseoversættelse på det kommende biogasanlæg i le produkt herunder gæsningsindhold. Første del af rapporten appendix med en mere fyldstærke beskrivelse på

er i 2 reaktorer med hver 3 og 15 liters aktivt volumen i i kort konstant og stabil på visning med ca. 7% restaf færdig er forsøget startet op med den blandede biomasse et løbende målinger af gasproduktion og procesparametre here er det selvt udsædning målinger i batch af de

Eksempel af tabel 1.

| Slags | Indehold (%) | Andel i vægt |
|----------|--------------|--------------|
| 21.661.6 | 4 | |
| 19.881.1 | 57 | |
| 7.101.2 | 2 | |
| 5.501.1 | 57 | |
| 16.4 | 100 | |

The Biogas plant

Supplies

Landbruget skal levere gylle og aftage afgasset biomasse fra Solrød Biogas



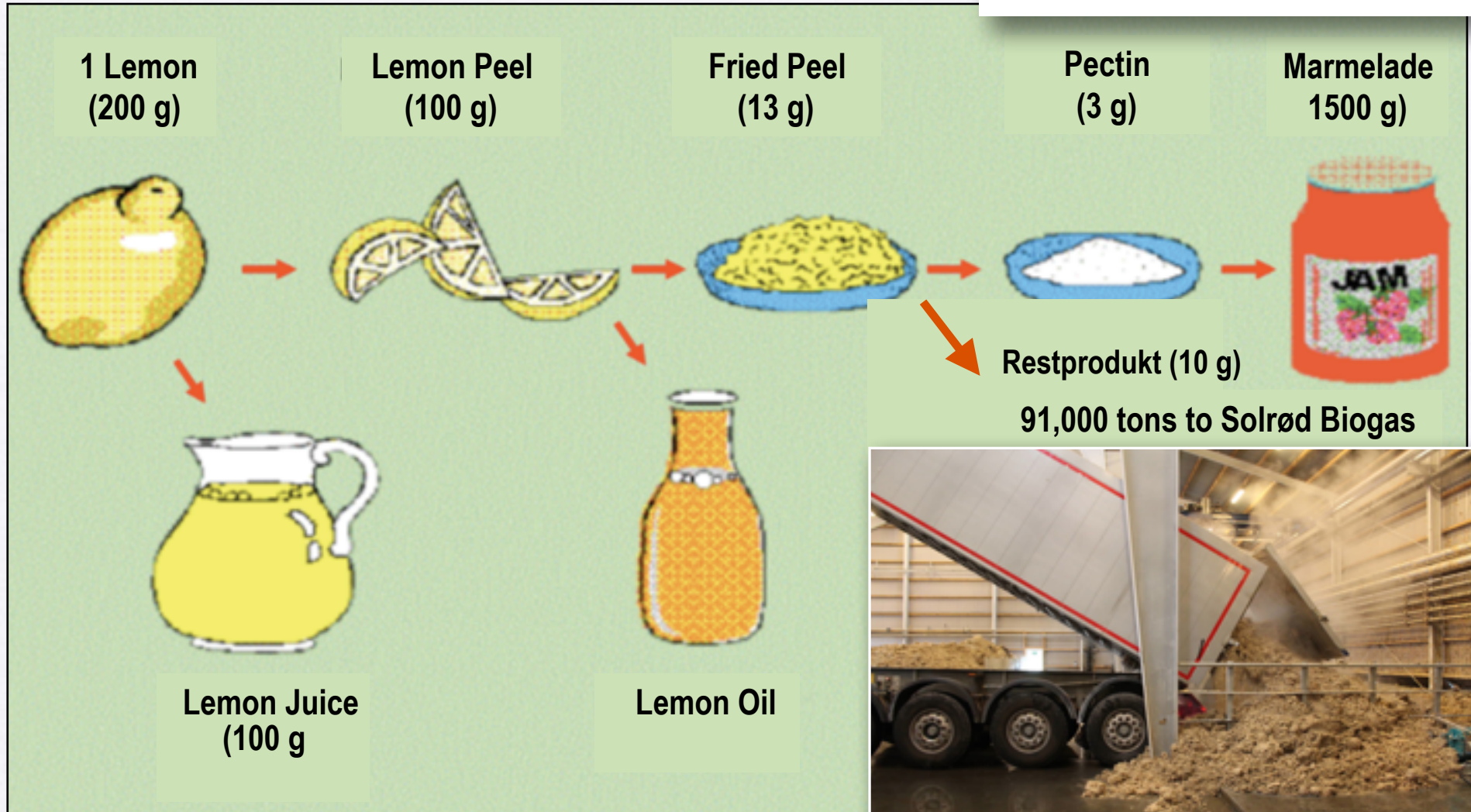
CPKelco skal levere restprodukter fra pektinproduktionen til Solrød Biogas



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Supply from CPKelco

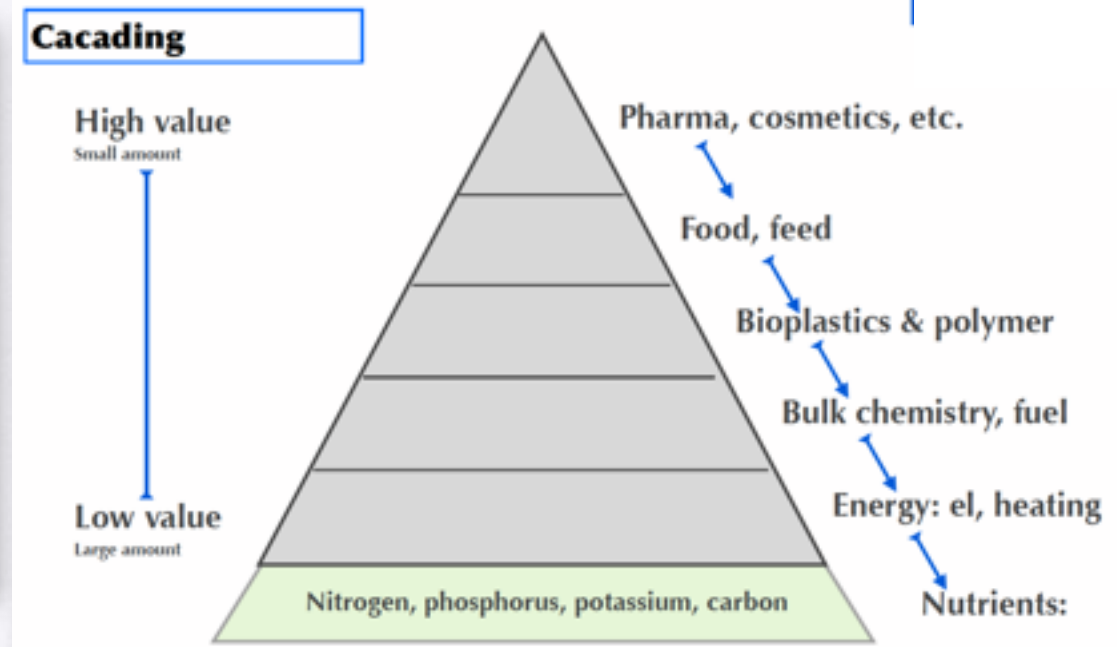
Nature-based ingredient



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Cascading and circulating

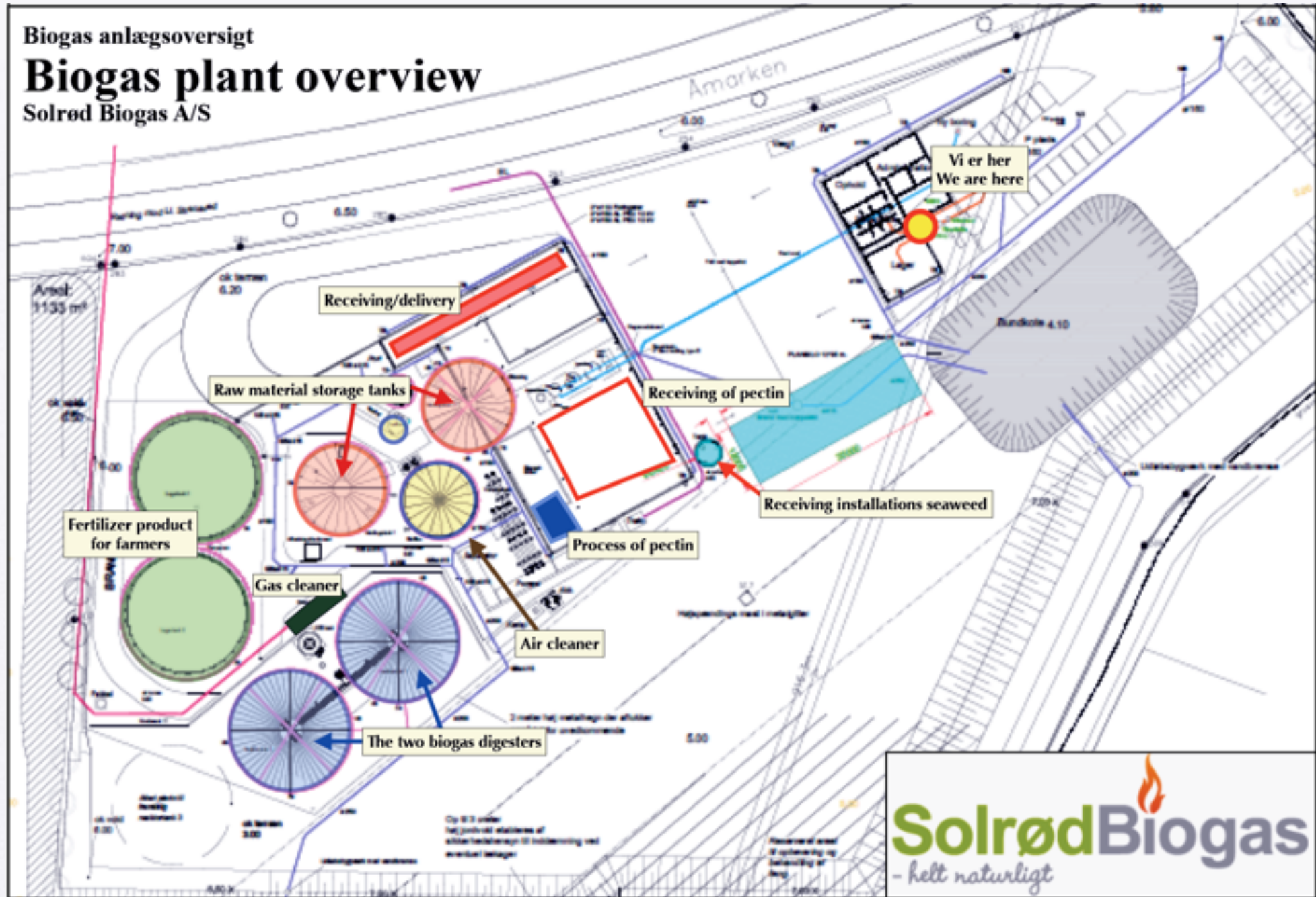
| Lemon juice Lemon oil | Pektin | Biogas |
|--------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Input: 2.140.000 tons | Input: 1.070.000 tons | Input: 107.000 tons |
| Production 1.070.000 | Production 32.100 | Production 7.6 mio m3 |
| Waste: 1.070.000 | Waste: 107.000 (dried waste) | Waste: 0 |



If not cascading:

- Use of resources: 3.317.000 tons - or 55% more rawmateriale
- Produced waste: 1.177.000 tons, compared with 0 (zero)





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'Chimney'

Air filter

Reactors

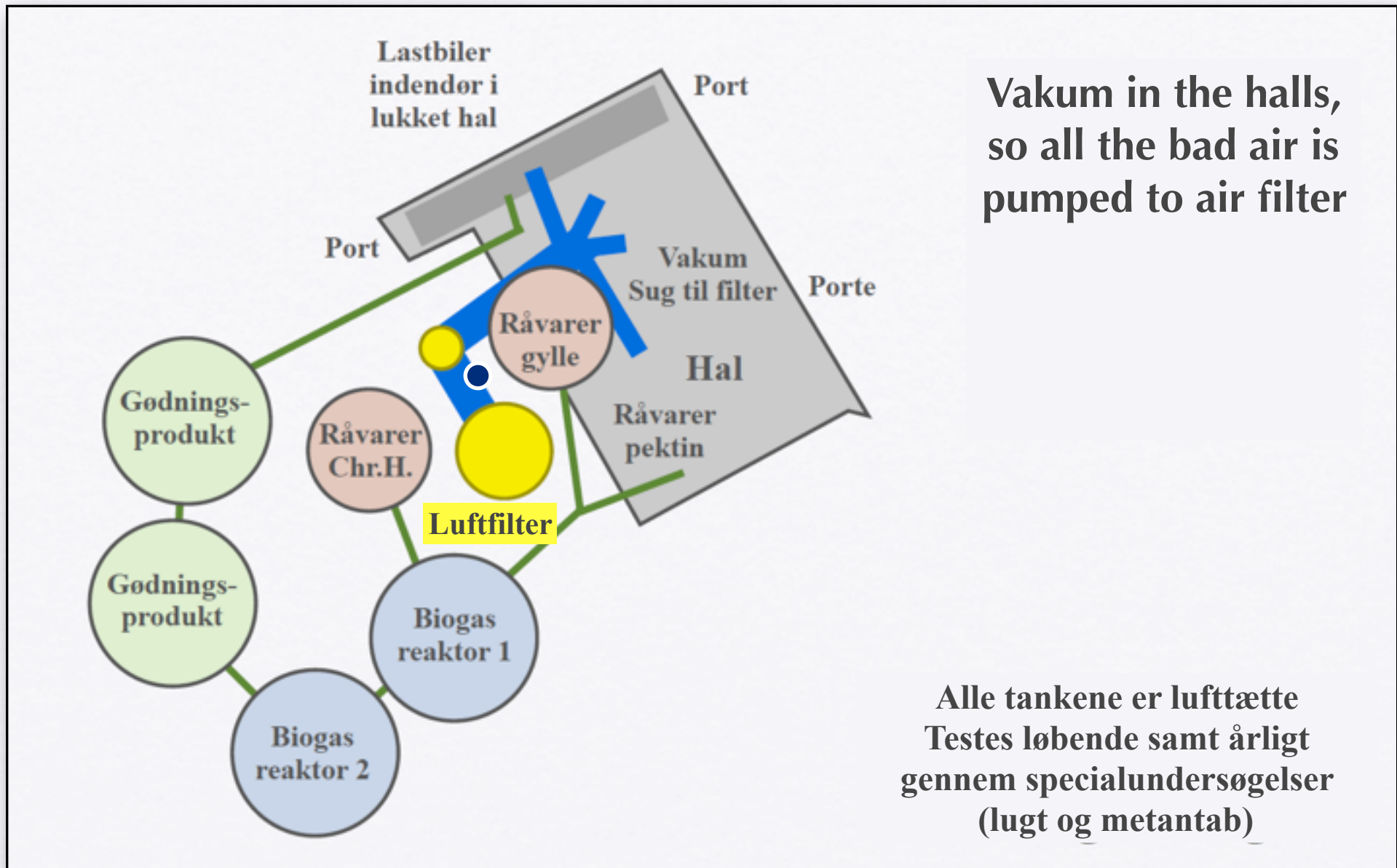
Raw materials

Reactors

Residues

Residues

The Biogas plant Fight against odor





The biogas plant

Fuel: Going from abroad to the hinterland

An example - district heating system



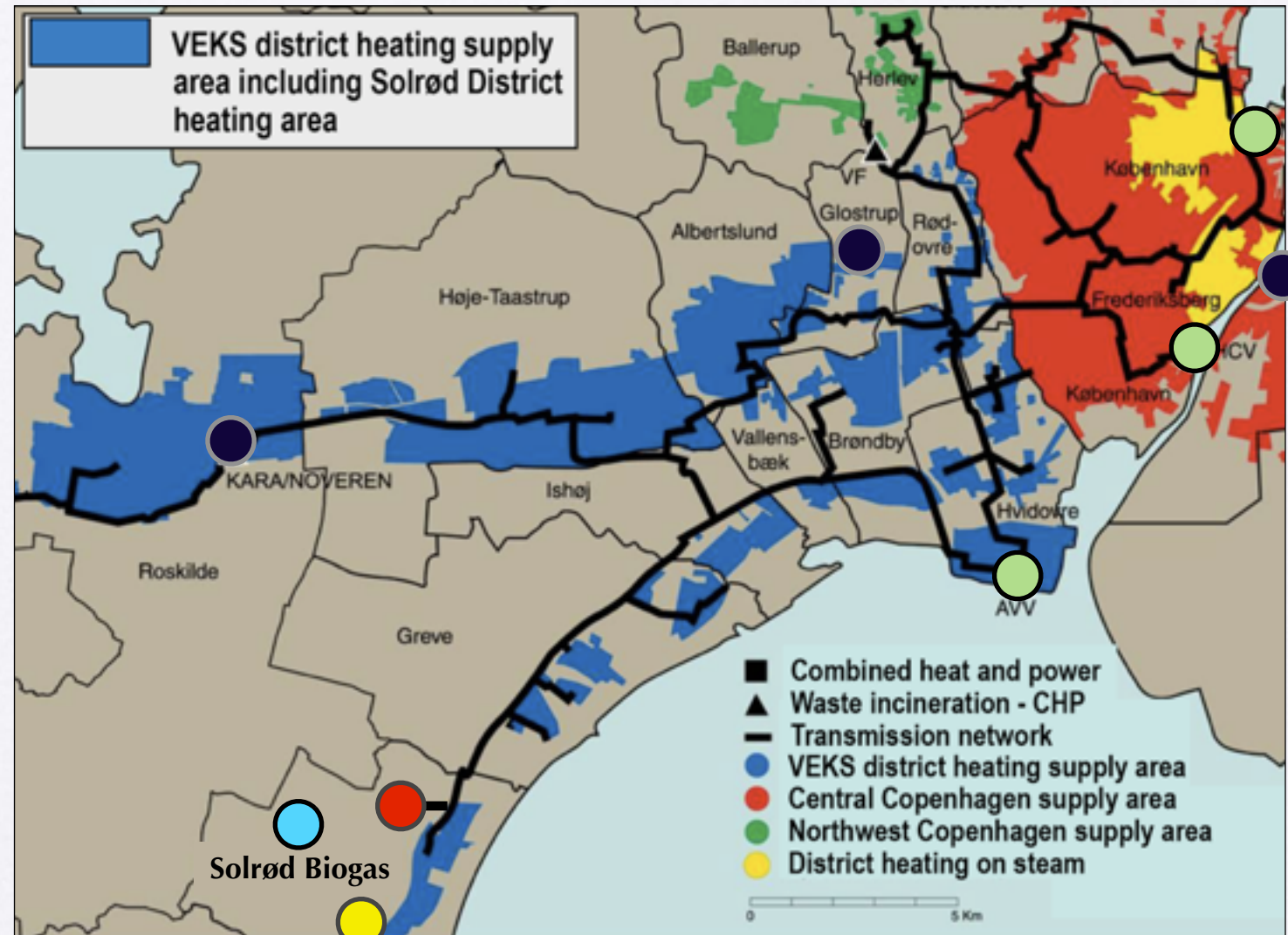
Goal from 68% fossil today to 0% in 2025

New heat sources

- CHP Køge (wood)
- Biogas Solrød
- Wood pellets on power plants
- Industrial sources

30%

more district heating



The biogas plant

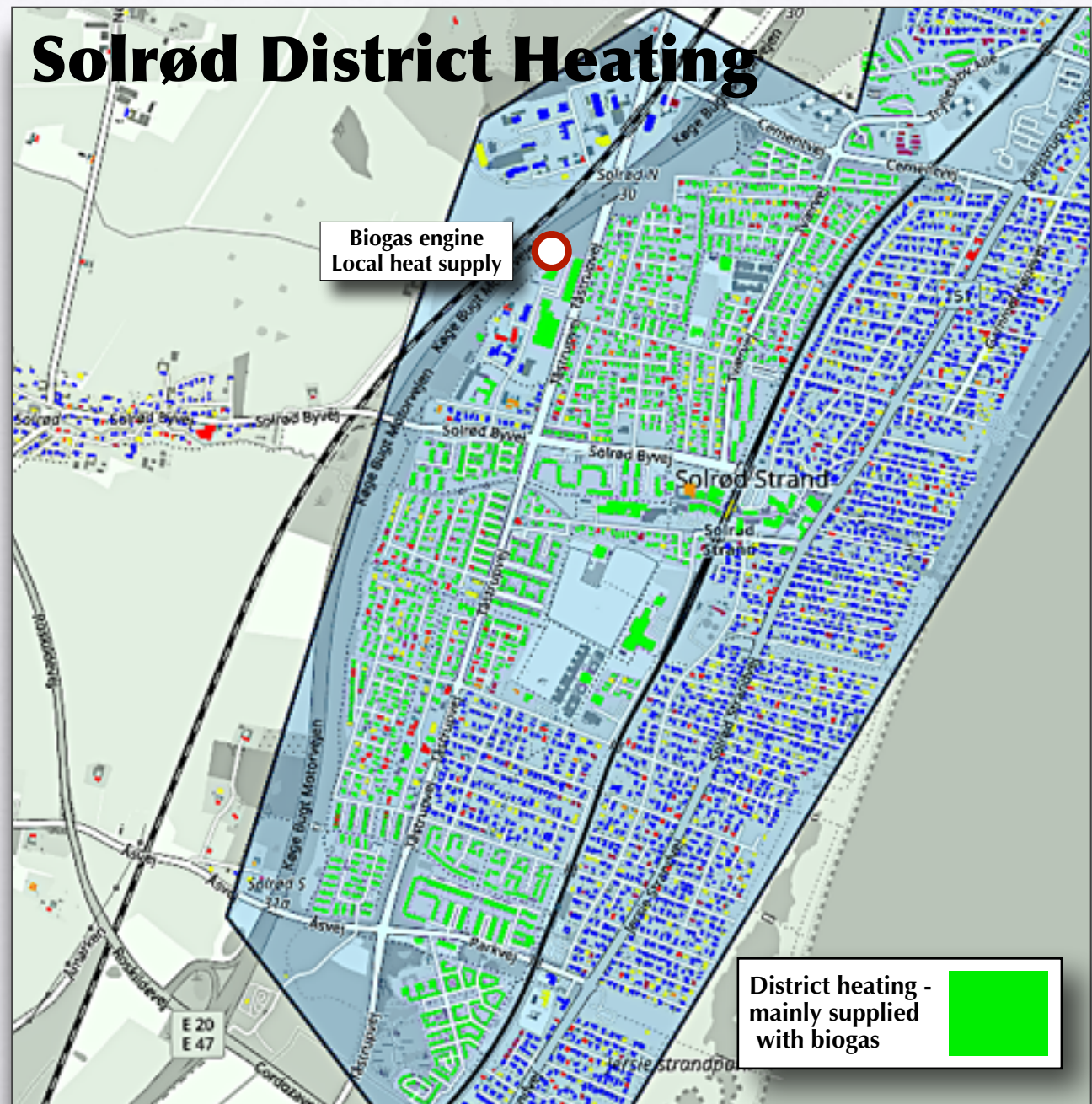
**Local heat supply
and regional
electricity supply**

Local heat supply
~ 27.400 MWh
See the green areas

Actual greenhouse effect:

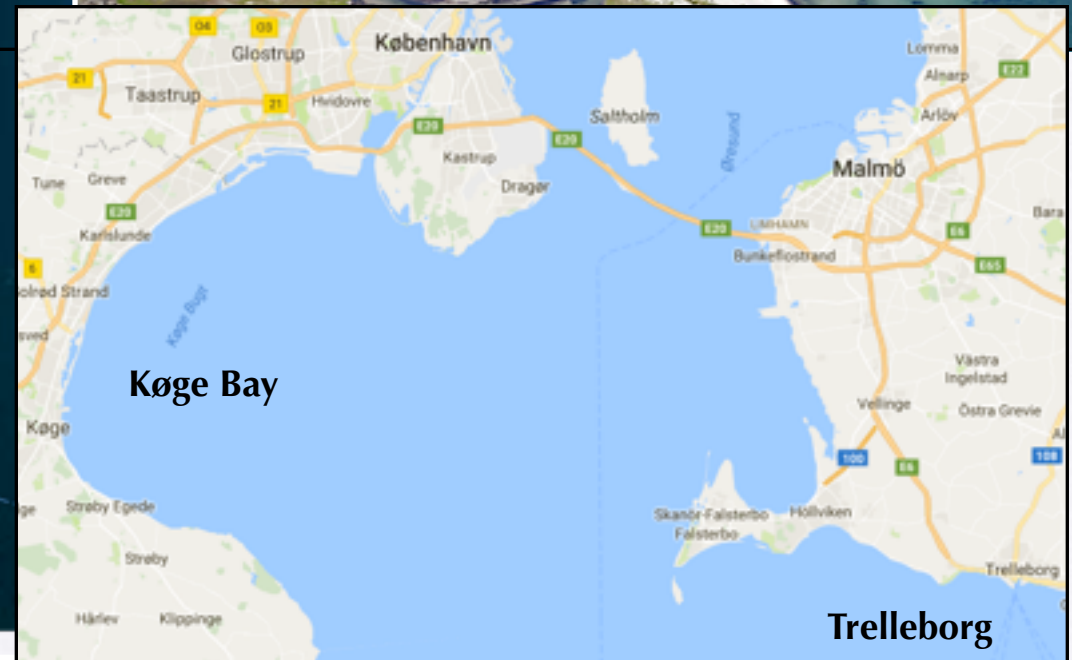
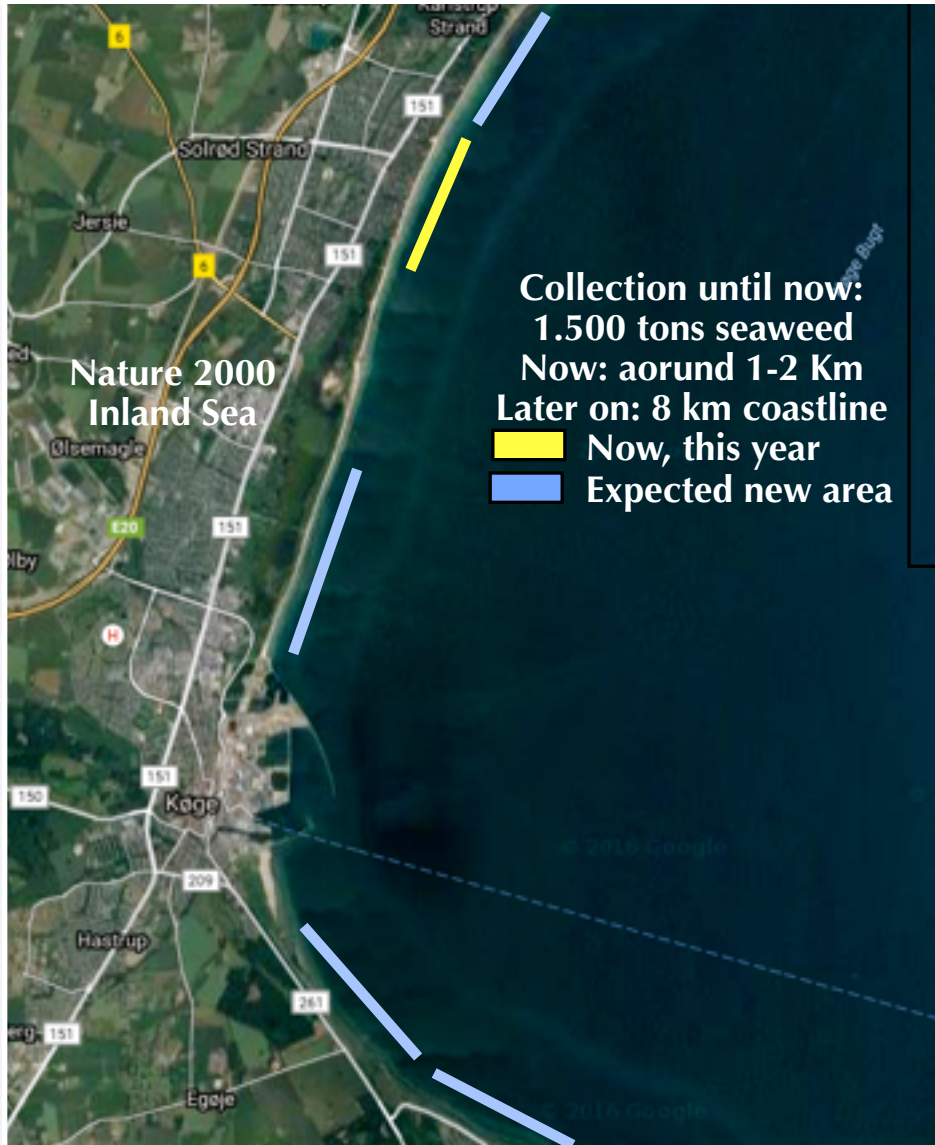
- Reduction: 46.000 tons/Year
- Herof:
- Electricity: 21.000 tons/Year
- Heat/biogas: 12.100 tons/Year
- Fertilizer: 7.800 tons/Year
- Organic waste: 7.700 tons/Year
- Negative: ÷ 1.700 tons/year

Solrød District Heating



Raw materials

Seaweed - Collection area





Current solution

Three steps in the collection

First step

The seaweed on the beach is collected with a grab and thrown into the water's edge to reduce the content of sand

Second step

The seaweed are picked up with a grate grab

Third step

The seaweed are transportet to the plant -
as fresh as possible



Three steps in the collection

The first step

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Three steps in the collection

The second step

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Three steps in the collection

The third step

The seaweed are transportet to the plant -as fresh as possible



Collection of seaweed

Seaweed - The new methods

Supplier: Solrød Strand Beach Cleaning Laug

Delivery requirements:

- Cadmium and other below limit values
- No visible plastic, metal and big stone
- Sand maximum of 60% of dry matter

Actual collection - Continuous collection - three steps

- Experiments with a variety of methods

Measurement

2009-2013 - mg/Kg dry matter

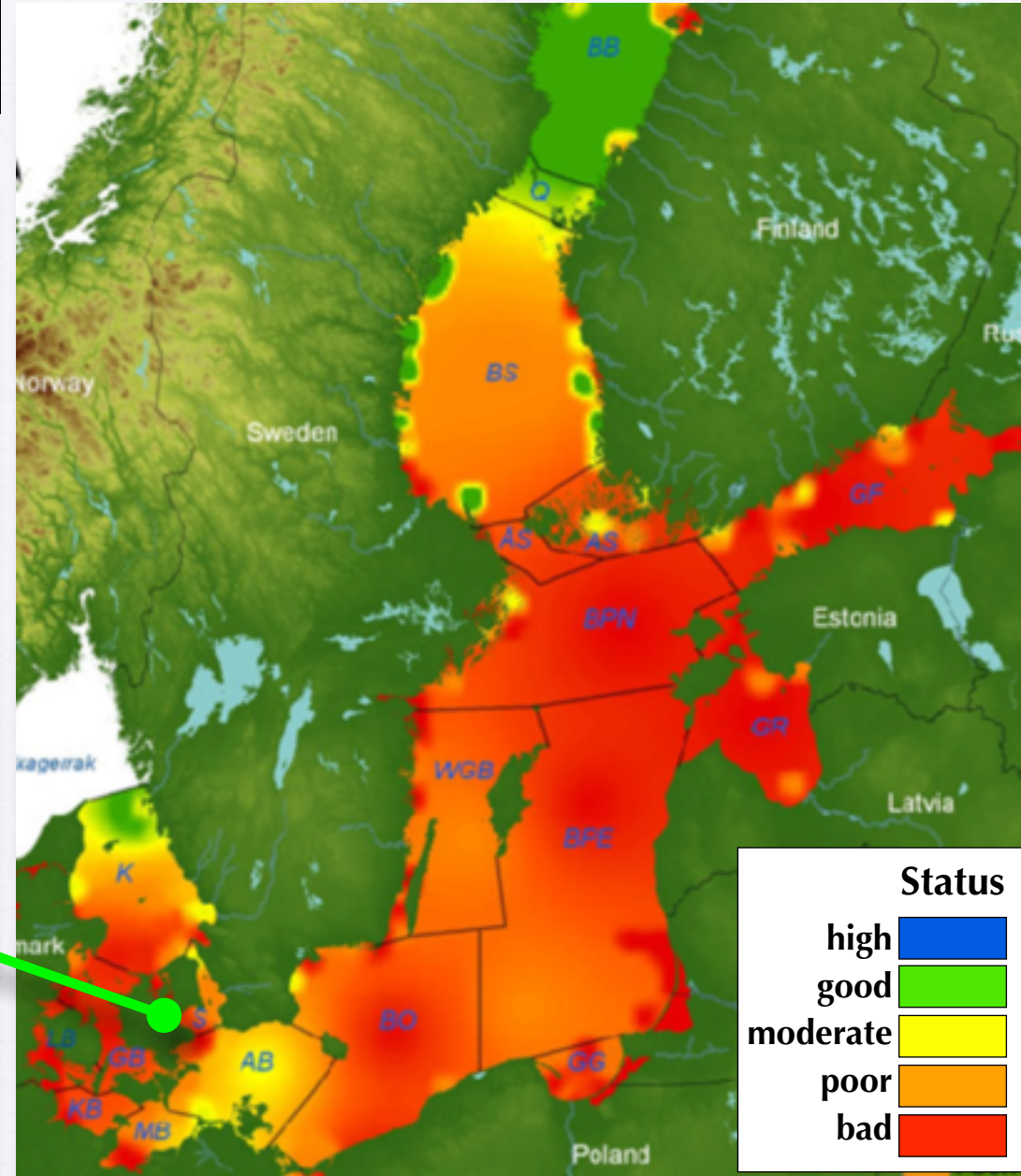
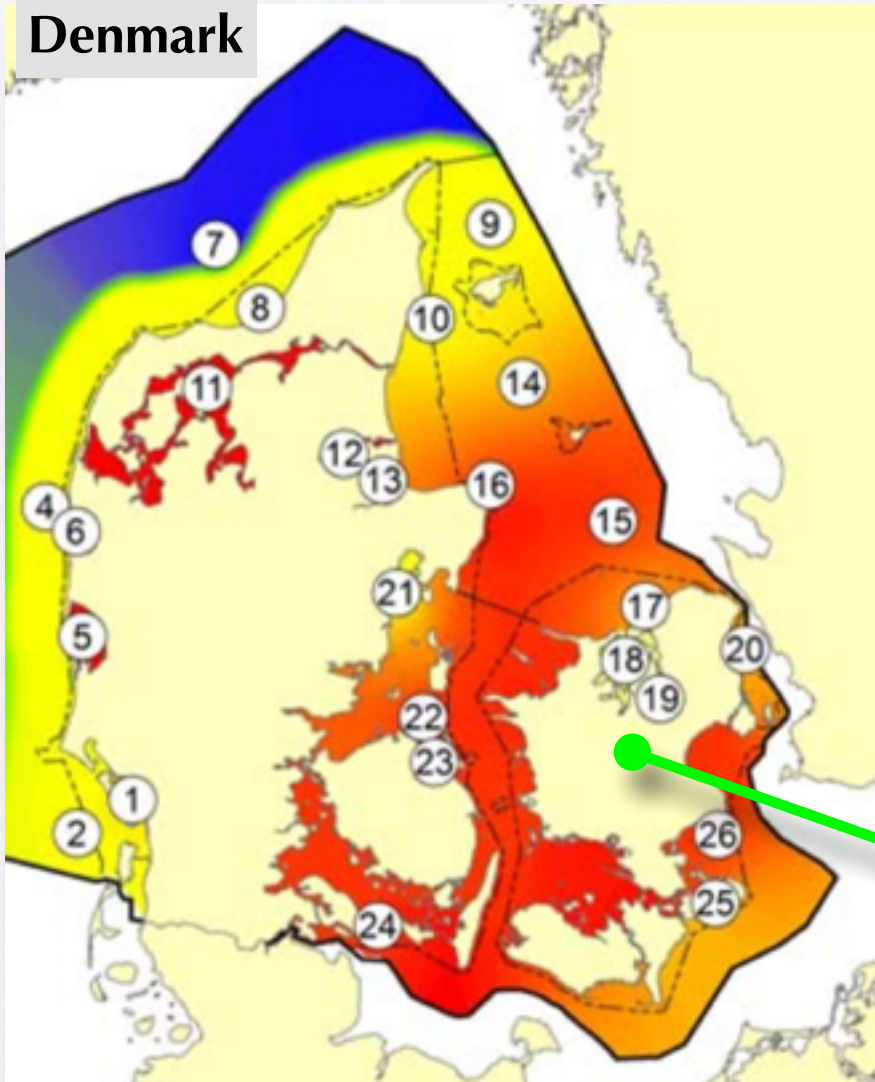
| Parameters | Average | Limit value |
|---------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Nitrogen, total | 46,340 | Non |
| Phosphor, total | 732 | Non |
| Lead (Pb) | <3.58 | 120 |
| Cadmium (Cd) | 0.52 | 0.80 |
| Chromium | <2.40 | 100 |
| Mercury (Hg) | <0.01 | 0.80 |
| Nickel (Ni) | 3.5 | 30 |
| Zinc | 38 | 4,000 |
| DEHP | <0.50 | 50 |
| Nonylphenol | 0.64 | 10 |
| PAH (sum of 9) | 2.41 | 3 |
| LAS | <50 | 1,300 |



Eutrofication - Baltic Sea

Agriculture, industri, etc.

Denmark



Nutrients recovery - Baltic Sea

The seaweed collection as cost effective solution

Expected fertilizing value
Around 65%-70%
(due to lower bioavailability of N)
Nutrients extraction through seaweed

N and P emissions

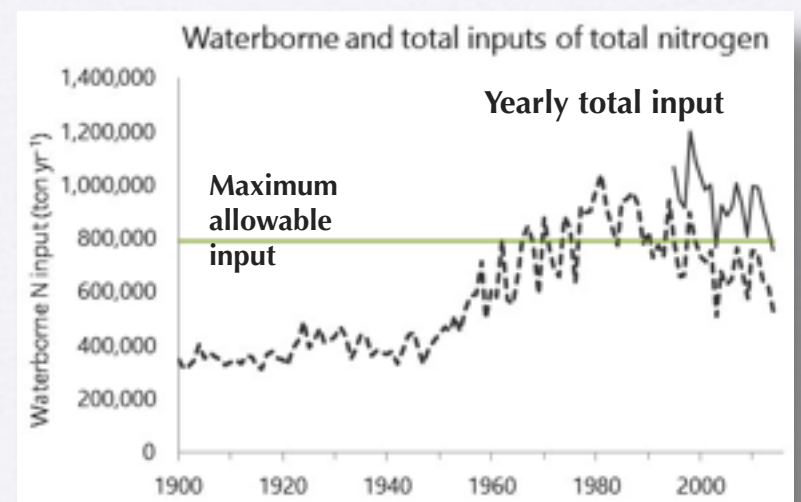
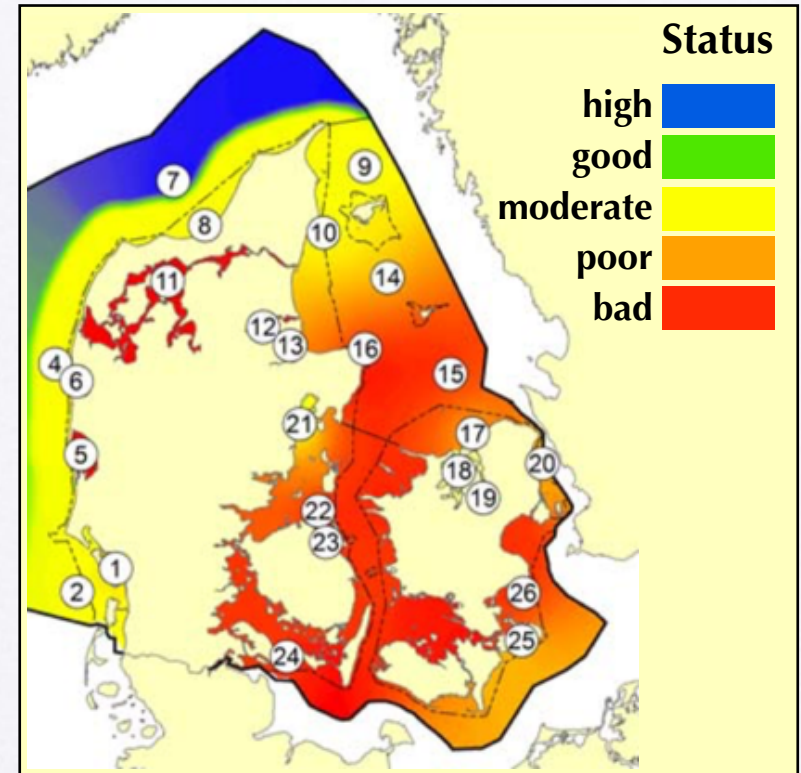
Agriculture
Natural background
Fish farm Aquaculture
Waste & rain water
Industry

Seaweed

grown in the sea water
N-bioextraction
23.6 - 46.3 kg/tons dry

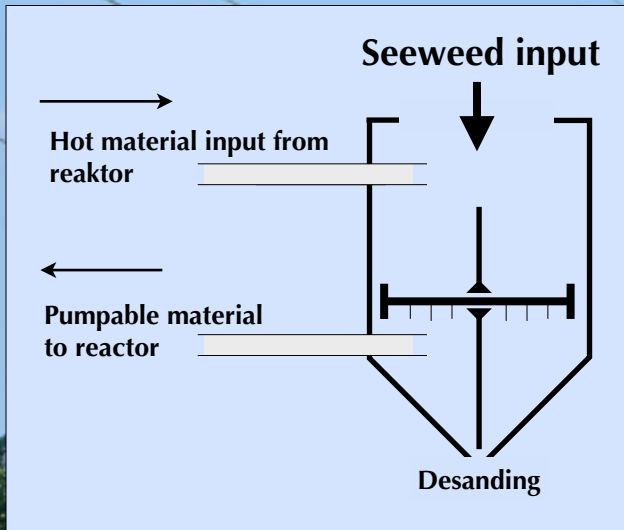
Nutrients emission supply

800,000-1,200,000 tons /year
Critical - more than 800,000 tons



Treatment at the biogas plant

- [1] Seaweed is put in a tank with very strong stirrer.
- [2] The stirrer separates sand and seaweed
- [3] The sand is removed from the bottom of the tank.
- [4] Seaweed is decomposed and diluted with additional material from the biogas reactor to make it pumpable and pumped into the biogas reactor

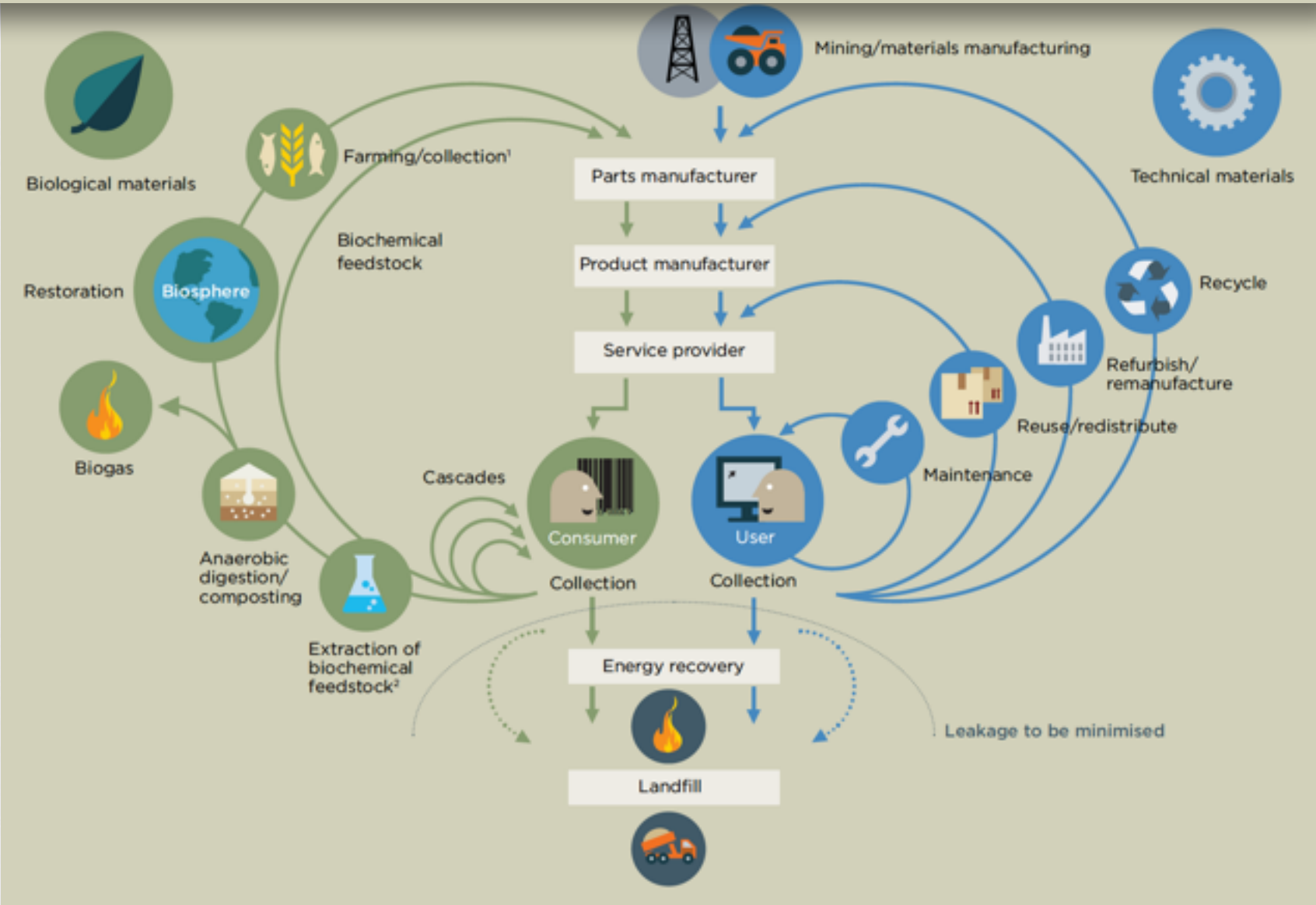


The same day - after



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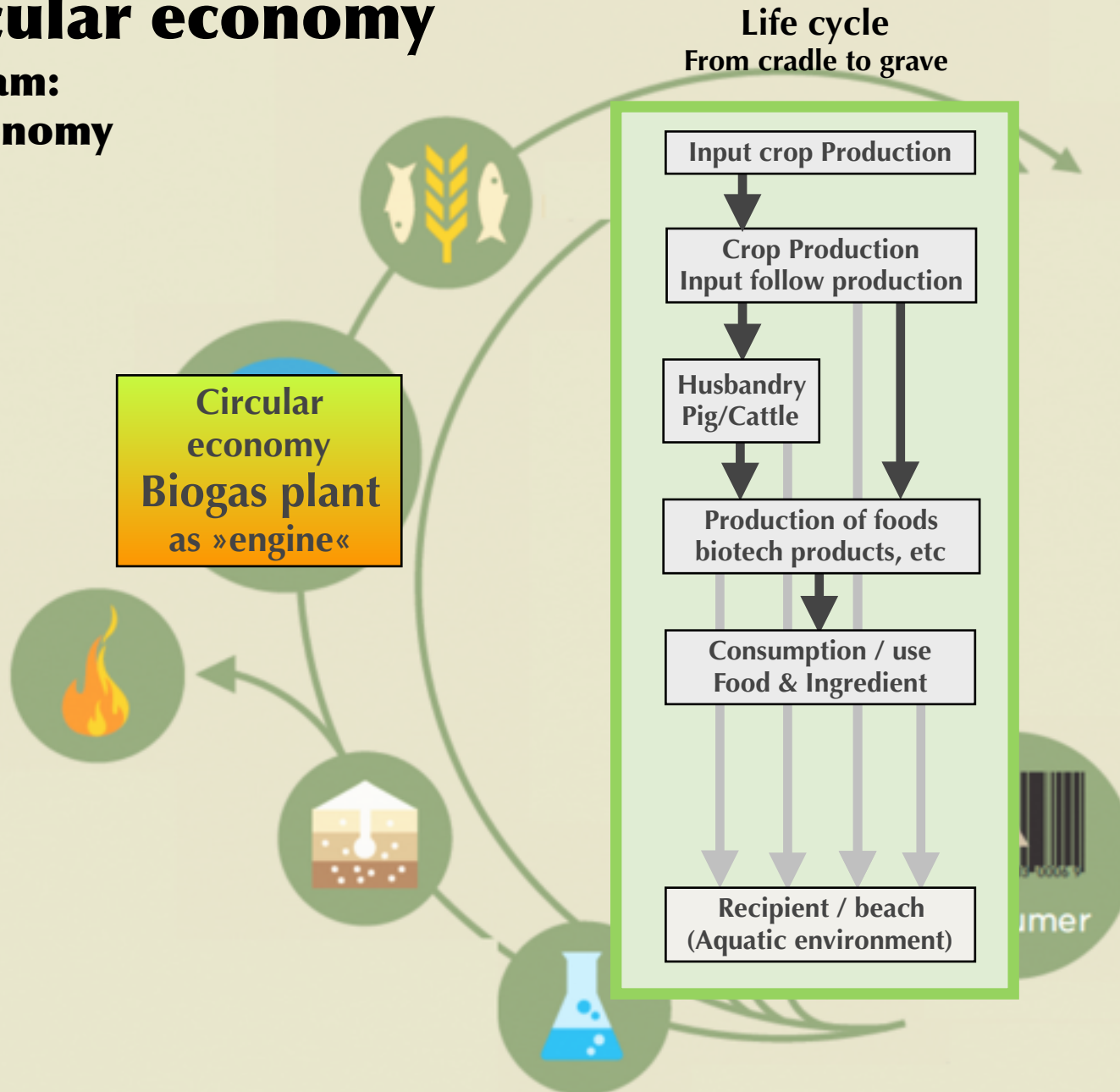
The circular economy



The biogas plant

The circular economy

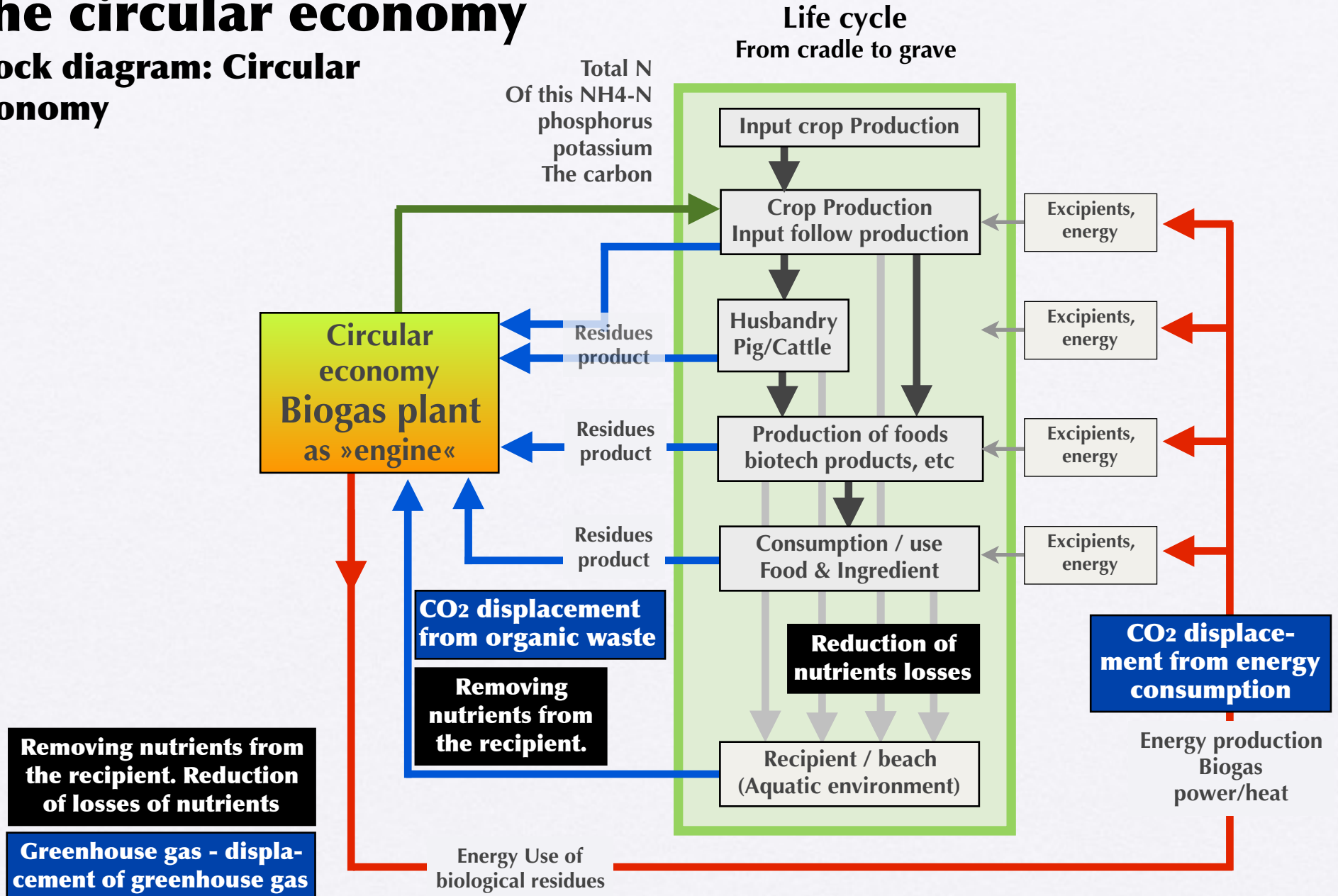
Block diagram: Circular economy



The biogas plant

The circular economy

Block diagram: Circular economy



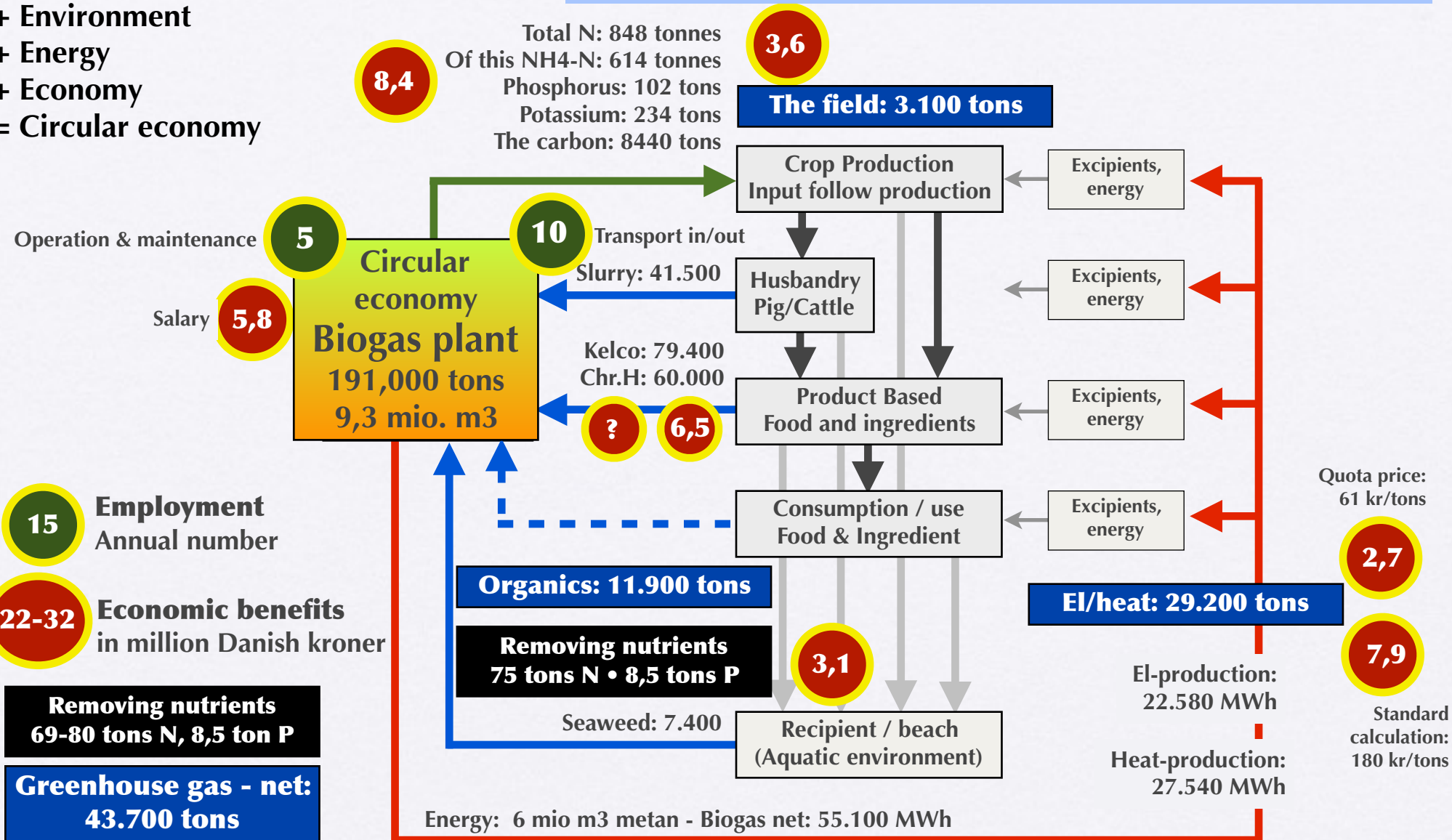
The biogas plant

Turnover (sales) in the facility: 35 million kr
Figures from 2018 accounting

Solrød Biogas

- + Environment
- + Energy
- + Economy
- = Circular economy

Total N: 848 tonnes
Of this NH4-N: 614 tonnes
Phosphorus: 102 tons
Potassium: 234 tons
The carbon: 8440 tons



The biogas plant

Benefit of the biogas plant

Win-win situation

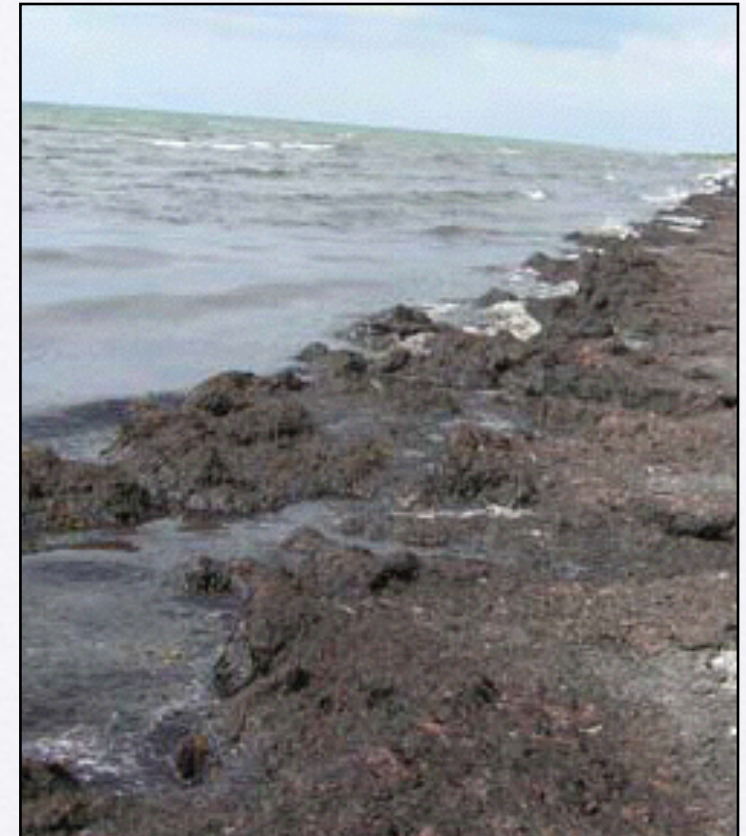
First of all: Production of renewable energy

Local benefits form the biogas plant:

- **Odors:** Solve problems with odors from seaweed & algae by removing the seaweed and use it in a biogas plant
- **Climate:** Contribution to solve the climate problem: Using seaweed and organic waste from Kelco in a biogas plant will contribute to reduce the use of fossil fuels in the energy consumption in the area
- **Nutrients:** Contributing to solve problems with marine pollution. Removing the seaweed of the Køge Bay will diminish the load of nutrients, which today is a major problem of the aquatic environment
- **Fertilizer:** Contribute to useful nutrients. The residues from the gas plant will be used for fertilizer to replace chemical fertilizer.

Company benefits form the biogas plant:

- Two of the involved companies will benefit from use of more renewable energy, because of the restrictions caused by CO₂ allowances and energy taxation
- And all companies will of course also benefit from community reputation from their contribution to mitigate the greenhouse gasses



The biogas plant

Comparison: Compared to same net production

Sammenligning

Solrød Biogas ≈ Coal-fired powerstation Amagerværket, Hofor Copenhagen

Solrød Biogas

Input energy: 53.100 MWh

Production: 50.040 MWh

Efficiency: 94%

Raw materials: waste/residues

Water consumption: 0 tons

Residues: 185.000 tons

in dry matter: 14.800 tons

Used as fertilizer: 100%

Greenhouse gas: ÷ 43.700 tons

Recycled carbon: 8.440 tons

Recycled nutrient: 1.180 tons

Externality costs:* + 1,1 mio \$

Coal power Hofor

Amagerværket

Input energi: 109.400 MWh

Production: 50.040 MWh

Efficiency: 46%

Raw materials: coal

Water consumption: 31.120 tons

Residues: 2.070 tons

in dry matter: 1.160 tons

Used in cement (fly ash): 55%

Greenhouse gas: 24.340 tons

Recycled carbon: 0 tons

Recycled nutrient: 0 tons

Externality costs:* ÷ 4,1 mio \$

*) Water, landfilled waste and greenhouse gases





Thank you for your attention