

IEE Project ‘BiG>East’

1st Mobilization Campaign

04 February 2009, Auce, Latvia



- Agenda -

Venue: Vecauce Castle and Scholastic Farm “Vecauce”
Auce, Dobele region
Latvia

Laptop and beamer will be available

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Objective

The objective of this Stakeholder Mobilisation Campaign is to inform interested Latvian stakeholders about opportunities to produce and use biogas in Latvia.

The Mobilisation Campaign

The Stakeholder Mobilisation Campaign will be implemented in on 04 February 2009 in “Vecauce”, Latvia.

Biogas plant manufacturers, planners and consultants will give technical presentations about biogas installations and BiG>East activities. Experts from countries with developed biogas production (Denmark, Germany, Austria) will share their experience about how to implement biogas projects. During the discussion you can ask them any questions about biogas potential, framework conditions, technical aspects, and project implementation.

This event is organised in the framework of the BiG>East Project under the “Intelligent Energy Europe Programme” of the European Commission.

The BiG>East Project

BiG>East promotes the production and use of biogas as a secure and sustainable energy source in several target countries of Southern and Eastern Europe. This is achieved by knowledge transfer from biogas experts of Western Europe to farmers, biogas plant operators and decision makers in Southern and Eastern Europe. Thereby, BiG>East will increase both, the number and the quality of installed biogas plants in the target countries of Southern and Eastern Europe: Bulgaria, Croatia, Greece, Latvia, Romania, and Slovenia. In these countries, biogas is one of the main renewable sources suitable for electricity production and for heating and cooling purposes.

Biogas can be produced in order to reduce agricultural waste, sewage sludge, and municipal organic waste which is a serious problem in many regions of Eastern Europe. In spite of these strong environmental and economic benefits, the production and use of biogas is not yet a common application due to several market barriers: lack of knowledge and experience of farmers, biogas plant operators and engineering companies, lack of awareness of decision makers, and insufficient access to funding sources. The objective of BiG>East is to reduce these market barriers.

BiG>East is supported by the European Commission in the Intelligent Energy Europe Programme and coordinated by WIP Renewable Energies, Germany.

Project Homepage: www.big-east.eu



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Wednesday 04 February 2009

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| 10.00 | 10.05 | Welcome by Ekodoma ILZE DZENE, SIA “Ekodoma”, Latvia |
| 10.05 | 10.20 | The BiG>East Project DOMINIK RUTZ, WIP Renewable Energies, Germany |
| 10.20 | 10.40 | The current situation and outlook on Biogas market in Germany and Europe MICHAEL KÖTTNER, German Biogas and Bioenergy Society, Germany |
| 10.40 | 10.55 | <i>Coffee Break</i> |
| 10.55 | 11.10 | Biogas from waste material – experience from a biogas plant operator TOBIAS FINSTERWALDER, Finsterwalder Umwelttechnik GmbH & Co. KG, Germany |
| 11.10 | 11.25 | Biogas situation in Latvia DAGNIJA BLUMBERGA, Riga Technical University, Latvia |
| 11.25 | 11.45 | Planning a biogas plant in Latvia HEINZ PRASSL, Ing. Gerhard Agrinz GmbH, Austria |
| 11.45 | 12.00 | Building a biogas plant in Latvia - experience from “Vecauce” biogas project MPS “Vecauce”, Latvia (speaker to be confirmed) |
| 12.00 | 12.30 | Discussion |
| 12.30 | 13.15 | Visiting “Vecauce” biogas plant |

Workshop Organisation

The BiG>East Stakeholder Mobilisation Campaign will be organised by Ekodoma on 04 February 2009 in Vecauce Castle, Latvia.

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Registration

The Mobilisation Campaign is not charged. If you would like to join the workshop, please send an e-mail or fax to Ilze Dzene (ilze@ekodoma.lv and +371 6 7323210).