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Biogas Action project presents first results: Boosting the biogas sector in Europe

The Horizon 2020-funded aims to increase the biogas and biomethane production in specific regions of the European Union serving as best practice for other areas.

The [Biogas Action](#) project officially kicked off in January 2016 and focuses on the country regions of Rhône-Alpes and Western part of France, Wales and UK, Croatia, Czech Republic, the Netherlands, Denmark, Latvia and South East Sweden.

[Partners](#) from 9 European countries work towards stirring mobilisation in these regions by focusing on removing the non-technical barriers to contribute to creating better frameworks for the widespread production of biogas and biomethane, in line with the EU 2020 targets.

In the span of one year, the partners have successfully achieved the first results in line with the project's [objectives](#). Close collaboration between partners has allowed for the preparation of a [brochure on Best Regional-Integrated Biogas Plants](#), a comprehensive overview of ten biogas plants located in the partnering countries showcasing a model of success that can feasibly be adapted and applied in other European regions.

Partners' nationally dedicated efforts have led to initiatives such as working towards the development of a new [farm waste based industry](#) in Wales along with the starting of stakeholder [forums](#) in Latvia. Among many others that also include the writing and publishing specialised [guides](#) in France, and establishing an [online biogas platform](#) in Croatia. Other regional developments have seen the development of lobbying activities in the Netherlands as well as [meetings](#) with municipalities and national associations in Denmark. The project's network has excelled so far in its collaborative efforts, with cross-country activities such as the arrangement of internship experience [exchanges](#), sharing of knowledge and experience, organisation of specialised workshops and seminars, and the [promotion](#) of Biogas Action in Europe.

Future actions will feature the online version of Deliverable 2.1: Biogas Toolbox, a compilation of 22 European projects and 62 national tools for regional biogas deployment, aiming to provide a European-wide analysis and proactive guidelines for development of the European biogas sector at a regional level.

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