

Knowledge transfer in the field of organic biogas

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Invitation to SUSTAINGAS training event

Through the implementation of biogas plants in organic agriculture closed nutrient cycles can be promoted, while avoiding the cultivation of conventional substrates, area competition, land use change or the facilitation of an increase in energy consumption.

Previous empirical values show, that the utilization of digestate as fertilizer in organic farming, can lead to a yield increase of up to 30%.¹

Biogas plants in organic farming do not only produce energy and heat, another by-product is digestate, an organic, high-quality fertilizer. To approach the topic of bioenergy on organic farms, a holistic view therefore becomes important.

We cordially invite you, to learn more about this exciting topic and the work of SUSTAINGAS, to exchange ideas and to commonly discuss the topics with us.

<u>Please register free of charge</u> for upcoming training opportunities:

Language	Live Webinars	Workshops
Bulgarian	30 Oct 2013	17 Feb 2014
Danish	29 Jan 2014	13-14 Mar 2014
English	8 Oct 2013 & 21 Jan 2014	None
German	8 Oct 2013 & 7 Nov 2013	30 Jan 2014 (Schloss Puchberg, Wels, Austria) 6-7 Nov 2013 (Würzburg, Germany)
Polish	6 Nov 2013	Feb 2014
Spanish	Nov-Dec 2013	Early 2014

Naturally, such a topic also implicates challenges, for instance regarding the different technical requirements as well as specific characteristics that are to be considered in organic farming.

The project SUSTAINGAS is dealing with this task and is implemented within the framework of the EU funded Intelligent Energy – Europe programme. Through the promotion of biogas production in organic farming, SUSTAINGAS furthermore contributes to increase the market share of renewable energies in Europe to 20%.

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Please find more detailed information on the project website: <u>www.sustaingas.eu</u>

¹ Acc. Anspach, V./Siegmeier, T./Möller, D. (2011): Biogaserzeugung im Ökologischen Landbau: Strukturen und Perspektiven, kassel university press, p.47.

