



ADVANCED BIOFUELS INDUSTRY: MISSED OPPORTUNITY to PROMOTE SUSTAINABLE ADVANCED BIOFUELS ACROSS THE EU

Advanced biofuels industry, represented by Leaders of Sustainable Biofuels (LSB), welcomes the conclusion of ILUC file and its acknowledgement of the benefits of advanced biofuels. After years of discussion, however, the compromise that was endorsed by the European Parliament lacks concrete and harmonized measures.

“Our industry has been calling for regulatory certainty for years. What has been agreed now is a first step but uncertainty continues. An opportunity to kick start the roll out of advanced biofuels in the EU has been missed”, states Marko Janhunen, Chair of LSB.

LSB has engaged in the ILUC legislative process by providing information on the benefits of advanced biofuels: Very high reduction of GHG emissions, increased energy security, utilising domestic raw materials, building on European technological leadership, and creating jobs in rural areas of the EU.

Marko Janhunen continues: *“Our industry provides solutions to EU’s climate, energy, environmental and industrial policy. All of these subjects are at the core of EU policy today. We hope that Member States will show leadership and implement the sub-target in their national policy creating the certainty needed for the new and emerging advanced biofuels industry”*.

LSB continues to engage with Member States that are keen to promote advanced biofuels. In those Member States where policy has focused on advanced biofuels, most investments have materialised.

Focus on 2030 policy

“We call for genuine discussions now on how to reduce GHG emissions in the transport sector post-2020. To capture the potential of GHG reduction, job creation, increased energy security and high-tech investments by advanced biofuels, concrete EU policy measures and actions are needed to justify investments”, Marko Janhunen concludes.



About the Leaders of Sustainable Biofuels

The LSB is a group composed by the Chief Executive Officers of Leading European biofuel producers and European airlines. The initiative aims at supporting the development of second generation biofuels in Europe. The leaders of UPM, British Airways, Biochemtex, BTG, Chemrec, Clariant, Dong Energy and St1 Biofuels Oy are joining forces to ensure the market uptake of advanced sustainable biofuels by all transport sectors.

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