



General data

Company

NA

Date

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The aim of BIOGAS3 project is to promote the sustainable production of renewable energy from the biogas obtained of agricultural residues and food and beverage industry waste in small-scale concept for energy self-suffiency. This project is co-funded by the Intelligent Energy Europe Programme of the European Union, Contract N°:IEE/13/SI2.675801.

smallBIOGAS is a software tool to develop economic and sustainability analysis in order to evaluate the viability of small-scale anaerobic digestion installations (ca. or less than 100 kWel; 372308 m3biogas/year, 65% CH4). The tool is adapted to the conditions of all participating countries of the project (France, Germany, Ireland, Italy, Poland, Spain and Sweden).

The results obtained from the use of this calculation tool are intended to provide the user with a guide about the viability of a small-scale biogas plant. The authors recommend further consultation with expert centres before investing in any biogas facility. The authors and promoters of this software tool accept no responsibility for any damages resulting from the use made of the tool smallBIOGAS.

Input from user

Output from smallBIOGAS tool







Location data

Country	Spain	
Administrative division	Andalucía Málaga	
Annual average temperature	18	°C
Percentage of wastes located at a distance equal or less than 10 km	100	%
from the agro-food company		
Percentage of wastes located at a distance higher than 10 km from	0	%
the agro-food company		

Biogas production process data

Annual amount of waste introduced in the digester (fresh matter) Annual amount of waste introduced in the digester (dry matter) Annual amount of waste introduced in the digester (dry organic matter) Annual amount of waste introduced in the digester (dry organic matter) Annual amount of organic matter degraded Needs of dilution water (only for wet digestion processes) Digestate recirculation rate Needs of waste in terms of dry matter to concentrate (only for dry digestion) Total amount of digestate produced (fresh matter) 132.000,00 t/year 15.497,83 t/year 15.497,83 t/year 11,36 % 11,36 179.172,13 t/year
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Volume of anaerobic digester 33.099,42 m³
Hydraulic retention time 54,79 days
Thermal energy required for the heating of the anaerobic digester 5.862,06 MWh/year
Gross methane production (annual) 9.161.272,61 Nm3/year
Gross biogas production (annual) 13.490.275,92 Nm3/year
Gross biogas production (average per hour) 1.539,99 Nm3/h
Excessive digestate recirculation (if recirculation rate is >30%)
Ammonia inhibition risk No
C/N ratio out of range No (20)







Use of the biogas 1 (Co-generation)

Data of the biogas valorisation system

Use of biogas in	Co-generation	
Use of produced electric energy	Sale	
Use of produced thermal energy	Sale	
Use of produced biomethane	No	
Needs of thermal energy near to the biogas plant	175,00	MWh/year
Needs of electric energy near to the biogas plant	325,00	MWh/year
Production of electricity in cogeneration	27.373,75	MWh/year
Electric power installed in cogeneration system (CHP)	3.592,80	kW
Thermal energy production in cogeneration	41.475,37	MWh/year
Unrecovered thermal energy in cogeneration system	0,00	MWh/year
Thermal recovery coefficient of the cogeneration system	0,443	
Energy efficiency coefficient of the cogeneration system	0,349	
Investment in cogeneration system	2.503.041,61	€
Income or savings (sale or use of the electricity)	1.368.687,26	€/year
Income or savings (sale or use of the thermal energy)	763.110,01	€/year







Economic viability analysis. Investment project

Investment	18.335.413,37	€
Biogas plant	15.832.371,76	€
Biogas valorisation system	2.503.041,61	€
Other	0,00	€
Income	2.314.552,84	€/year
Sale of Electricity, Thermal energy	2.131.797,27	€/year
Energy savings	0,00	€/year
Waste management	0,00	€/year
Other incomes	0,00	€/year
Sale or saving (sale or use) of digestate	182.755,57	€/year
Selling price of electric energy	5,00	c€/kWh
Selling price of thermal energy	2,00	c€/kWh
Selling price of biomethane	0,00	c€/kWh
Expenses	1.935.078,57	€/year
Operating and maintenance (O&M)	462.910,57	€/year
Staff	102.168,00	€/year
Transport and handling of waste	650.000,00	€/year
Cost of waste (co-substrates)	720.000,00	€
Transport of digestate	0,00	€
Other expenses	0,00	€/year
O&M as percentage of the sale of products and energy savings	20,00	%
Labour intensity	0,0002	h/t∙d
Labour cost	15,00	€/h
Days worked per year	258,00	working da
Unit handling cost	2,00	€/t





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Economic viability analysis. Financial study of the investment project.

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Environmental viability analysis

Capital Recovery Factor (CRF)

NPV/initial investment

Payback period

Internal return rate (IRR)

Weighted Average Cost of Capital (WACC)

Primary energy obtained from the recovery of the biogas

67.206,69 MWh/year

18.683,46 t/year

Savings in artificial fertilizers

649400 kgN/year

Utilization of the digestate in

Cultivation area required for application of digestate

3.820,00 ha







Use of the biogas 2 (Co-generation)

Data of the biogas valorisation system

Use of biogas in	Co-generation	
Use of produced electric energy	Self-consumption	
Use of produced thermal energy	Self-consumption	
Use of produced biomethane	No	
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Thermal recovery coefficient of the cogeneration system	0,443	
Energy efficiency coefficient of the cogeneration system	0,349	
Investment in cogeneration system	2.503.041,61	€
Income or savings (sale or use of the electricity)	48.750,00	€/year
Income or savings (sale or use of the thermal energy)	6.825,00	€/year

Energy storage

Volume of the gasometer 18479,83 m³ Self-consumed energy $1,19 \text{ e} \mid 14,56 \text{ t}$ %

Comments

Storage volume calculated to cover hours in which biogas is not utilized. There is unused biogas in self-consumption by the agro-food company (Pe>Ne y/o Pt>Nt) and which could be assigned to sale to third parties





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Income	238.330,57	€/year
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Energy savings		•
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Selling price of electric energy	0,00	c€/kWh
Selling price of thermal energy	0,00	c€/kWh
Selling price of biomethane	0,00	c€/kWh
Expenses	1.519.834,11	€/year
Operating and maintenance (O&M)	47.666,11	€/year
Staff	102.168,00	€/year
Transport and handling of waste	650.000,00	€/year
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Interest rate of loan	4,70	%
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Gross operating profit or earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization (EBITDA)	-1.281.503,54	€/year
Net present value (NPV)	-28.110.647,64	€
NPV/initial investment	-1,804	-
Internal return rate (IRR)	-2,98	%
Payback period	>15	years
Weighted Average Cost of Capital (WACC)	5,90	%
Capital Recovery Factor (CRF)	10,23	%

Environmental viability analysis

Primary energy obtained from the recovery of the biogas	31.768,38	MWh/year
Savings of CO2 emissions	8.831,61	t/year
Savings in artificial fertilizers	649400	kgN/year
Utilization of the digestate in	Vulnerable area	
Cultivation area required for application of digestate	3.820,00	ha







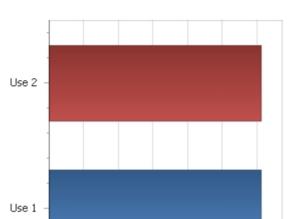
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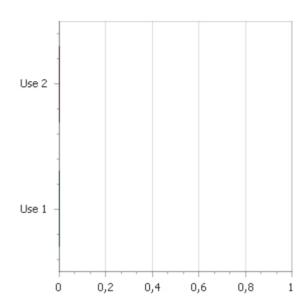
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Overview





Payback period (years)



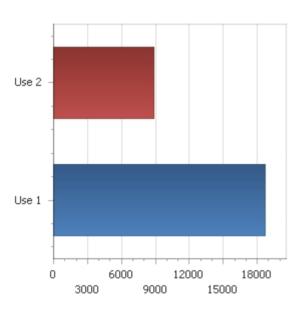
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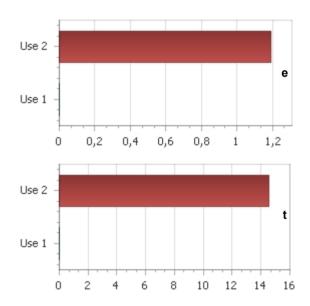
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Self-consumed energy (%)



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