

# Integrated Biorefineries Mapping Results

# National Policies





### Climate Change/Net Zero

National policies and legislation acknowledging climate change and targeting Net Zero emissions by 2050



### Energy

Most energy policies focusing on low carbon/clean fuels (i.e. transportation, industry, hydrogen, low-carbon fuels)



### Circular Economy

Focus primarily on reducing waste and acknowledge importance of sustainable materials.

### Bioeconomy

Focus on use of biomass broadly to decarbonize energy, materials and chemicals, while acknowledging sustainable limits to biomass use.

## National Programs



## National Pilot/Demo/Commercial Projects

#### Total Number of Projects: 1,492



Projects by the Numbers			
1,200 Commercial	189 Pilot & Demo	103 R&D	
Executive Summary			

- Commercial projects primarily EU based.
- Pilot and demo projects primarily in India, Canada, Brazil.
- UK projects primarily research & development.
- Similar number of research and development projects across all member countries.

## **Overview: Feedstocks Used Across Projects**



## Feedstocks Used Across Projects



### Highlights

- Agricultural residues account for 53% of feedstock used in projects.
- Municipal solid waste, energy crops, and woody biomass make up 42% of feedstock used in projects.



### Feedstocks Used Across Projects by TRL

- Agriculture residues make up largest share of feedstock used across all projects (31-58%).
- Municipal solid waste, energy crops and woody biomass are next largest groups of feedstocks used across all projects, with variation in use depending on TRL.
- Animal waste least used feedstock across all projects.

## Overview: End-products Produced Across Projects



End-products Produced Across Projects

Biomaterials

Primarily fibres for use in packaging (e.g. food packaging, fibre-based single-use paper plates)



Primarily chemicals for use in plastic production (e.g. Ethylene, Furandicarboxylic acid, Xylose, Benzene)



- Gaseous fuels consists primarily of biomethane.

## End-products Produced Across Projects





### Highlights

- Biofuels (46%) and biochemicals (44%) make up almost all end-products produced.
- Biomaterials remaining 10% of end-products produced.

End-products Produced Across Project TRL



■ Biochemicals ■ Biofuels ■ Biomaterials ■ Food

- Biofuels and biochemicals make up majority of end-products across all projects.
  - Biofuels make up largest share (49%) in TRL 9 projects.
  - Biochemicals make up largest share in TRL 6-8 (47%) & 3-5 projects (52%).
- Biomaterials under 1/5 of end-products produced across each TRL.

## **Overview:** Co-production Projects



\*Producing two or more different end-products (i.e biofuel, biochemical, biomaterial, food)

Projects by the Numbers			
197	42	17	
Commercial	Pilot & Demo	R&D	

### **Executive Summary**

- 95% of co-production projects Europe-based.
- Largest share of co-producing projects at TRL 6-8 in non-European Union countries located in Canada and India.
- Largest share of co-producing projects at TRL 3-5 in non-European Union countries located in the United Kingdom.

## Co-production Projects by Feedstock



### Highlights

- Agricultural residues make up majority of feedstocks used (53%), followed by woody biomass (20%) and municipal solid waste (17%).
- Animal waste and algae and marine feedstocks the least used feedstocks overall (4%).

Feedstocks Used Across Co-production Projects by



- Agricultural residues make up largest share of feedstocks used across all projects (40-53%).
- Woody biomass and municipal solid waste next largest groups of feedstock used across all projects.
- Energy crops and algae and marine feedstocks most used in pilot and demo (15% & 13%)

## Co-production Projects by End-Product



### Highlights

- Biochemicals (53%)make up the majority of end-products produced at co-production projects.
- Biofuels (30%) and biomaterials (17%) make up just under half of end-products produced.

End-products Produced Across Co-production Project TRL



■ Biomaterials ■ Biochemicals ■ Biofuels

- Biochemicals make up majority of end-products produced at TRL 9 co-production projects (58%), but under half in TRL 6-8 and 3-5 coproduction projects.
- Biofuels make up a greater share of end-products in TRL 6-8 (30%) and 3-5 (40%) co-production projects.
- Biomaterials largest share in end-products is in TRL 6-8 co-production projects (18%).

## Overview: Total Projects by Country



The Netherlands Total Projects: 71



India Total Projects: 13



**Brazil** Total Projects: 4



**Canada** Total Projects: 37

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The United Kingdom Total Projects: 24



The European Union Total Projects: 1,336

## Overview: The Netherlands



### The Netherlands: Projects, Feedstocks & End-products



### Highlights

- Municipal solid waste primary feedstock used (41%), followed by agricultural residues (25%).
- Energy crops least used feedstock (1%).



### End-products Produced Across Projects

- Biofuels (46%) and biochemicals (44%) make up almost all end-products produced.
- Biomaterials remaining 10% of end-products produced.

## Overview: India



### India: Projects, Feedstocks & End-products



### Highlights

 Woody biomass primary feedstock used (44%), followed by municipal solid waste and algae (28% each).



#### End-products Produced Across Projects

- Biofuels make up majority of end-products produced (64%)

## **Overview:** Brazil



Total Projects: 4

### Brazil: Projects, Feedstocks & End-products



Agricultural residues used in all projects.



Highlights

### End-products Produced Across Projects

Biofuels only end-product produced.

## Overview: Canada



### Canada: Projects, Feedstocks & End-products



- Woody biomass primary feedstock used (42%), followed by agricultural residues (26%) and waste oils (19%)
- Municpal solid waste and various least used feedstock (13%).

End-products Produced Across Projects



### Highlights

Biofuels make up majority (84%) of end-products produced.

## Overview: The United Kingdom



### The United Kingdom: Projects, Feedstocks & End-products

#### Feedstocks Used Across Projects 10 9 8 Number of Projects 7 6 5 4 3 2 1 Ω Agricultural Algae & Municpal Waste Oils Animal Energy Woody Various Residues Marine Waste Crops & Solid **Biomass** Starch Waste Feedstock Type

### Highlights

Combined feedstocks (i.e. various) largest share of feedstocks used (36%), followed by agricultural residues (24%) and municipal solid waste (20%).

### **End-products Produced Across Projects**



### Highlights

Biochemicals majority of end-products intended to be produced from research projects (59%).

Energy crops least used feedstock (8%). 

## Overview: The European Union



\*240 co-producing projects

### The European Union: Projects, Feedstocks & End-products



### Feedstocks Used Across Projects

### Highlights

- Agricultural residues majority of feedstock used (57%), followed by energy crops (15%) and municipal solid waste (14%).
- Marine feedstocks and combined feedstocks (i.e. various) least used feedstocks (2%).



### End-products Produced Across Projects

### Highlights

 Biochemicals (46%) and biofuels (45%) majority of endproducts produced.

## Key Findings

### Policies

- National policies and strategies primarily support Net Zero/Climate Change and the Energy Transition
- Circular economy policies/strategies focus primarily on waste reduction and plastics
- Bioeconomy policies/strategies well rounded, focusing on supply, use and, sustainability

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#### Programs

- Grant and subsidies primary policy instrument used to support biorefining initiatives
- Loans and loan guarantees used to primarily to support commercialization
- Programs support most of the value chain with limited support for pilot and demonstration

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#### Projects

- Significant number of commercial projects, but spread across a number of EU countries.
- Pilot and demo projects found primarily among other member countries.
- Agricultural residues make up majority of feedstocks used regardless of TRL.
- Biochemicals and biofuels make up majority of end-products.