

Brussels 10-13 June
Workshop
“Benchmarking and guidelines
for streamlined authorisation processes
for bioenergy installations”

Applicants or investors, licensing authorities, NGOs, European Commission members, experts from the Energy Agencies and Renewable Energy associations are called to discuss about the bottlenecks in the permitting processes for the realization of biomass projects. Aim of the workshop is to **give recommendations on how future licensing processes could be streamlined and optimized** in terms of accountability, transparency and efficiency, without compromising environmental standards.



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Golder Associates and Ecofys are performing a study for the EU Commission DG TREN: “Benchmarking and guidelines for streamlined authorisation processes for bioenergy installations”, aiming to understand which factors are dominant for the duration and the final outcome of the whole permitting procedure. In the first phase of the project many examples of permitting procedures have been collected and then analysed.

The preliminary results of the study are to be discussed in a series of Workshops, taking place **at the offices of the Directorate in Brussels** during the second week of June, involving the most important stakeholders like applicants or investors, licensing authorities, NGOs, European Commission members, experts from the Energy Agencies and Renewable Energy associations.

Main target of the Workshops is to **give recommendations on how future licensing processes could be streamlined and optimized** in terms of accountability, transparency and efficiency, without compromising environmental standards.

This is a unique opportunity to bring up the real issues of permitting of biomass facilities and possibly help to improve the process.

WORKSHOP PROGRAMME

The Workshops will be run along the following main themes:

- **June 10, Combustion** – solid biomass for electricity or heat production
- **June 11, Co-firing** – combined combustion plants
- **June 12, Gas** - from landfills and AD plants
- **June 13, Biofuels** – production and utilization

In you are interested in participating please contact:

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Each day will have a parallel agenda from 10:00 A.M. to 4:30 p.m. with complimentary coffee and lunch breaks:

Morning

- Project intro and preliminary results (Golder/Ecofys)
- Presentation on Institutional perspective
- Presentation on Industry perspective
- Presentation on NGO's perspective
- Presentations on selected case histories
 - very long lead time
 - short lead time
 - new accession country

Afternoon

- Discussion in groups
- Presentation of workgroups results and general discussion
- Wrap-up