



Gas industry's recommendations for an EU-wide system of certification and Guarantees of Origin for renewable and (non-renewable) low-carbon gases

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Timeline







Gas Industry's initial recommendations (i)*

i. Need for standardised GOs for renewable and non-renewable low-carbon gases

- 1. MSs are encouraged to also issue GOs for non-renewable low-carbon gases abiding to the requirements of RED II for renewable gases GOs and CEN 16325 standard;
- 2. Appropriate amendments at the European level would guarantee legal certainty to provide for an obligation of MSs (a) to issue GO for non-renewable gases and (b) to disclose the origins of energy source;
- *3.* One standardised GO framework (requirements and their implementation) for both renewable and non-renewable low-carbon gases;
- 4. CEN 16325 standard should be developed in cooperation with AIB, Certifhy, ERGaR and, if any, other issuing bodies. We encourage all parties to present a first draft as soon as possible, preferably by the next Madrid Forum in October 2019. The CEN standard should include non-renewable low-carbon gases;
- 5. It should be possible to add additional information on top of the standardised GO and offer more sophisticated products to target specific customers;





Gas Industry's initial recommendations (ii)*

ii. Need for interoperable GO schemes to support trade and sector coupling

- 6. For all energy carriers, establishment of cooperation of national issuing bodies and possibility of an EU-wide framework for such cooperation by the end of 2019;
- 7. All GOs need to be convertible from one energy carrier into another exclusively when such is physically taking place. ERGaR, CertifHy, AIB and, if any, other issuing bodies are encouraged to elaborate agreed rules, conditions and procedures for converting GOs issued in one sector to GOs applied in another sector;
- 8. To accommodate points above, extend CEN 16325 standard to include GOs for gaseous energy carriers MSs shall dedicate specific resources to work on this standardisation and issuing bodies for renewable gases GOs to be included in the Technical committee;

* For detailed recommendations, please refer to the background document





Gas Industry's initial recommendations (iii)*

iii. Compatibility and use of GOs in other legislation should be ensured

- *GOs and sustainability certificates -* MSs must establish systems to avoid double disclosure of GO and sustainability/target certificate for the same amount of energy from a specified source;
- *GOs and ETS -* To meet the requirements of ETS Directive for GHG emissions reduction, GO system shall be consistent with the CO2 quota system and shall be the only proof of the renewable origin of gas withdrawn from the gas system;
- **11.** Is synthetic methane converted from renewable H2 renewable? More clarification for the allocation of emission reduction benefits of synthetic methane (used in any sector) in order to avoid any double counting;
- **12**. **GOs and CO2 emission standards for vehicles -** GOs should be able to be used as a part of documentation to take account of emissions reduction associated with the use of renewable gas in the transport sector.

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Next steps

- Review Madrid Forum stakeholders' feedback
- Further develop recommendations with the Prime Movers group
- And report back the final recommendations to the October Madrid Forum





Thank You for Your Attention