

EU biogas and biomethane inventory of regulatory framework



Number of legislative act with a link			Renewable Energies Heat Act (EEWärmeG) - DE version
Name of legislative act			Act on the Promotion of Renewable Energies in the Heat Sector
Date of Publication			07.08.2008 / last amended: 20.10.2015
Date of implementation			01.01.2009 / last amendment: 24.10.2015
Purpose			Increasing share in final energy consumption for heating and cooling to 14% by 2020 by laying down that owners of certain categories of buildings (newly built buildings!) must cover part of their heating and cooling supply with renewable energies.
Relevance to the biomethane sector			One possibility to fulfill the purpose of this act is using bioenergy.
Relation to EU legislation			This act in a way anticipated Directive 2009/28/EC on the promotion of the use of energy from renewable sources which includes similar clauses on heating and cooling.
Scope			Critical elements of the law are: obligatory utilisation for new buildings, obligatory utilisation for existing official buildings (role model), financial promotion, specific promotion of heating networks
Specification of a legislative act	Targets		14% share of renewable energies in final energy consumption in heating and cooling by 2020.
	Support Systems for Biogas	Subsidies	The use of renewable resources for the heat and cold production will be promoted up to 500 mio. Euros / year from 2009-2012. After that new program, see Marktanreizprogramm.
		Feed in Tarrifs	No
		Premiums	No
	Support Systems for Biomethane	Tax exemption	No
		Subsidies	No
		Feed in Tarrifs	No
		Premiums	No
		Tax exemption	No
	Sustainability		No
	Non-discriminatory access to the grid		No
	Mass-balance		Yes
	Transport		No
Emissions		No	
Biowaste		No	
Digestate		No	