# EU GREEN DEAL: Challenges + Opportunities for the Bioenergy Sector

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#### **About us**



The common voice of the European bioenergy sector for the past 26 years.



We bring together around 30 national associations and 90 companies from all across Europe.



Our aim is to develop a sustainable bioenergy market based on fair business conditions.



We are an umbrella organisation for the European Pellet Council and the International Biomass Torrefaction Council.

#### **Our members**



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#### Our members

#### Companies



























**Associations** 











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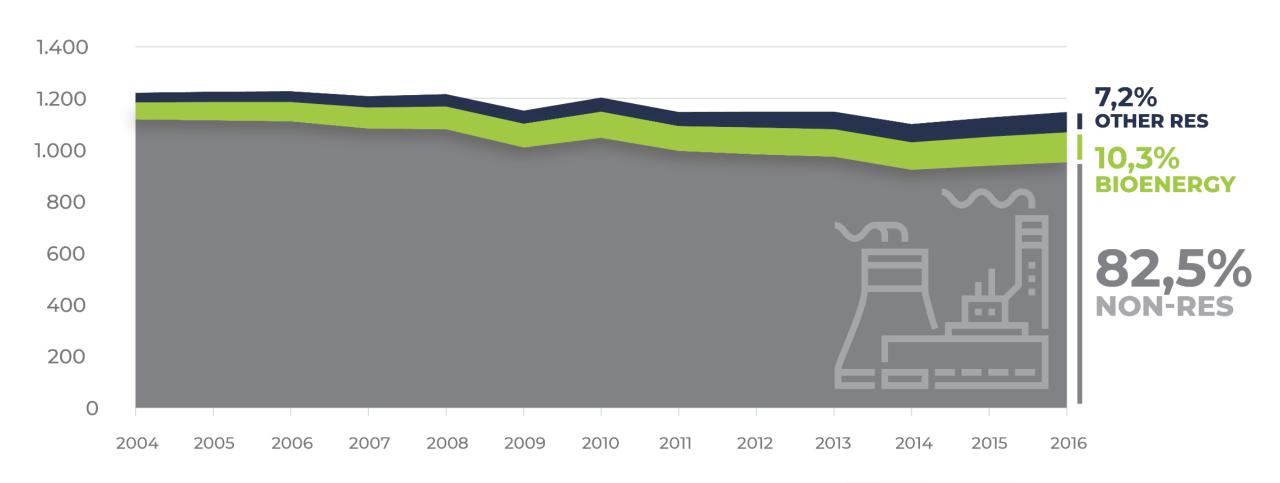
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## SO MANY THINGS TO DO SO LITTLE TIME!



## **EVOLUTION OF EU-28 GROSS FINAL ENERGY CONSUMPTION**



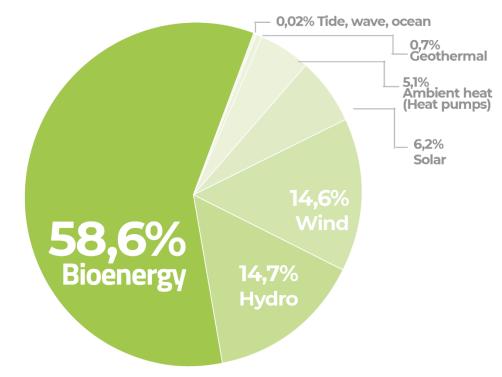
#### LARGEST RES IN THE EU28

10.3% of all final energy

**58.6%** Of all renewables

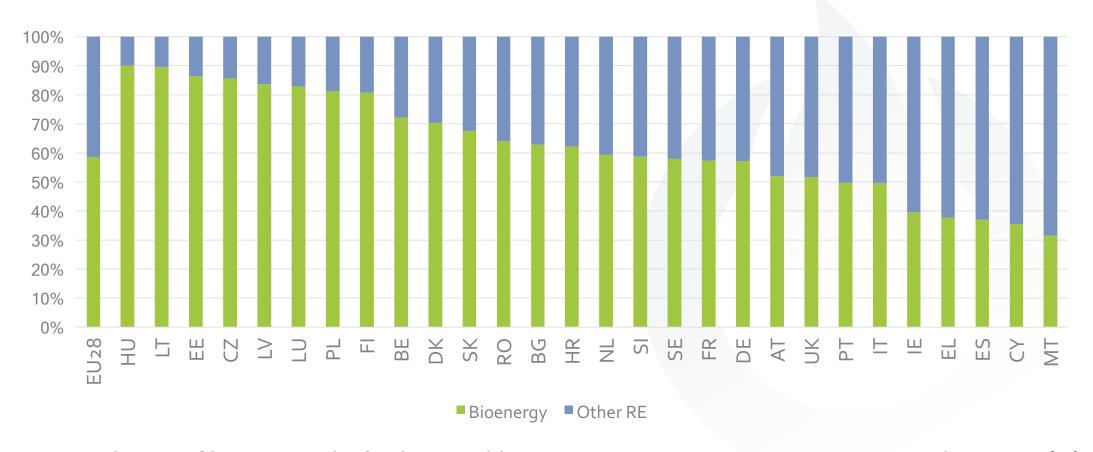
### DISTRIBUTION OF RENEWABLE GROSS FINAL ENERGY CONSUMPTION IN THE EU28 IN 2017

(%) Source: EUROSTAT, SHARES 2017





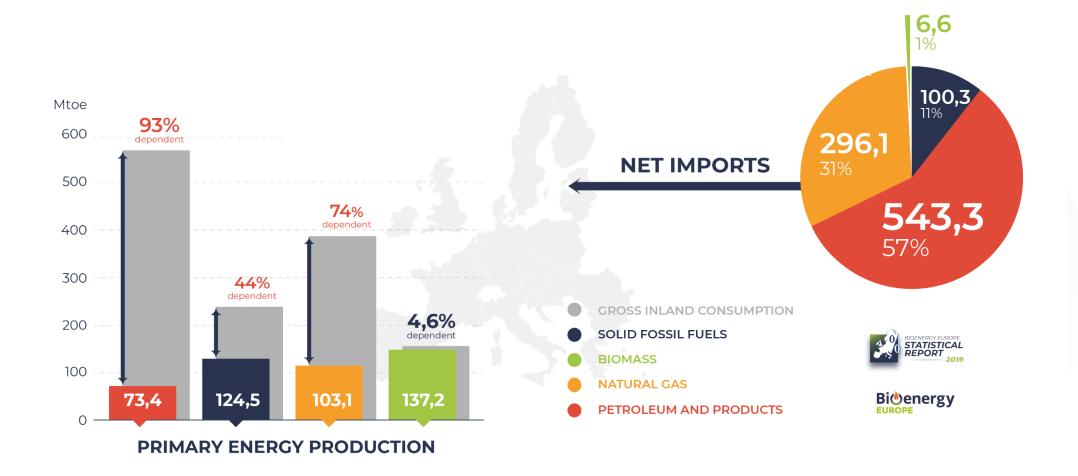
# ESSENTIAL CONTRIBUTION IN ALL MS TO ACHIEVE THE EU CLIMATE AND ENERGY TARGETS



Contribution of biomass to the final renewable energy consumption in 2017 in EU28 Member States (%)

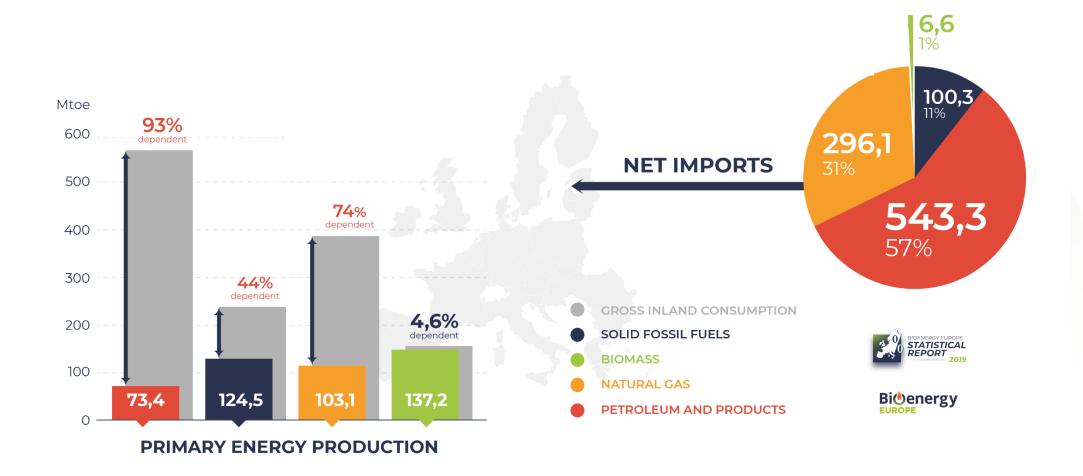


#### **INDIGENEOUS ENERGY SOURCES FIRST!**





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# CONTRIBUTING TO SUSTAINABLE GROWTH AND GREEN JOBS



703.200 INDIRECT JOBS



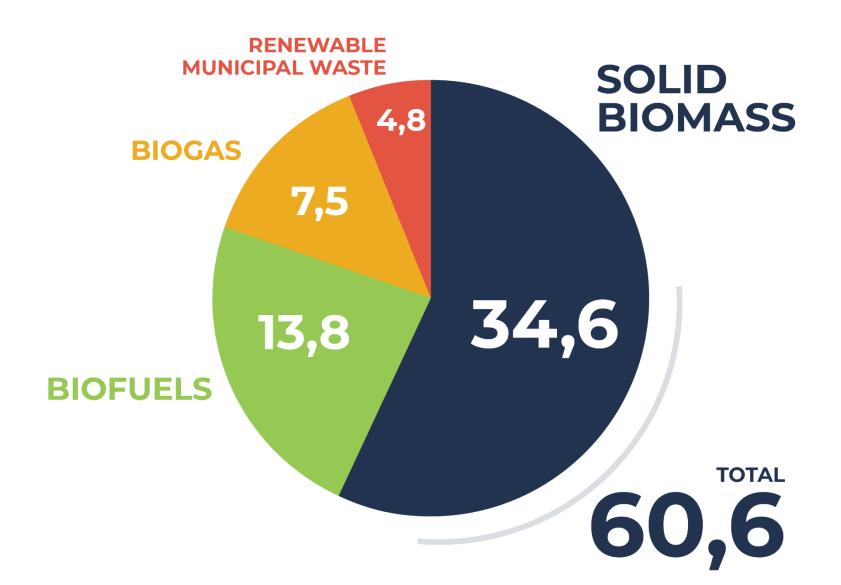
€60.6 bn

**TURNOVER** 



#### TURNOVER OF THE BIOENERGY SECTOR

(IN 2017, BILLION €) SOURCE: EUROBSERV'ER

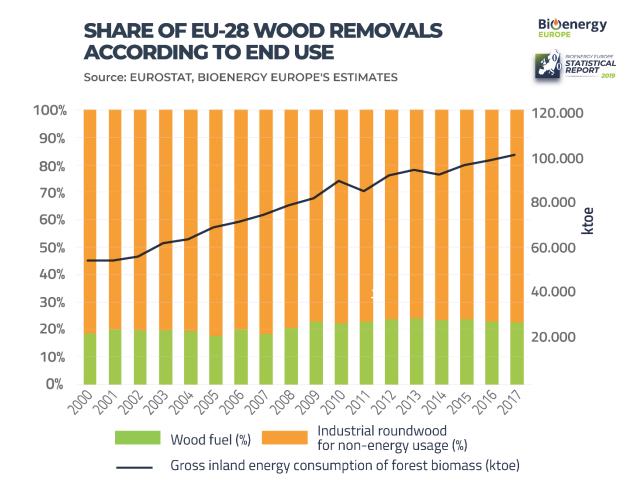








#### EU forest are growing hand in hand with the increase of Bioenergy

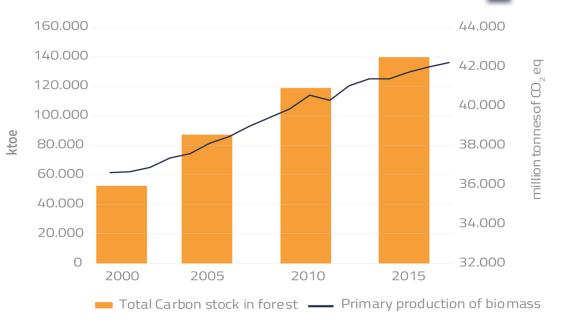


#### EVOLUTION OF PRIMARY PRODUCTION OF BIOMASS FOR BIOENERGY AND CARBON STOCK IN EUROPEAN FORESTS

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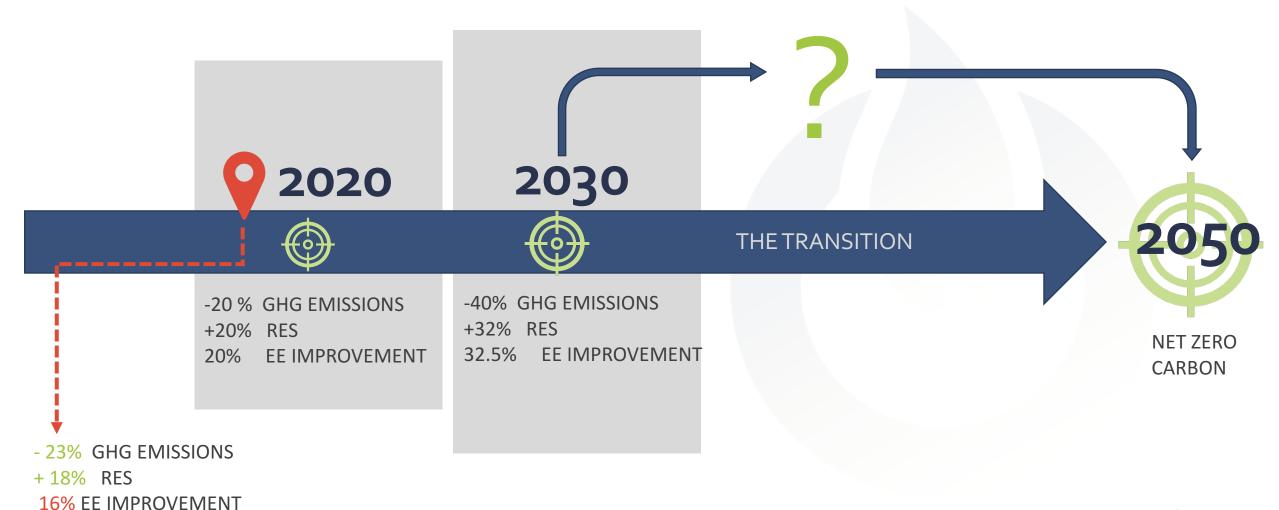
(KTOE AND MILLION TONNES OF CO<sub>2</sub>eq) SOURCE: UNECE AND EUROSTAT



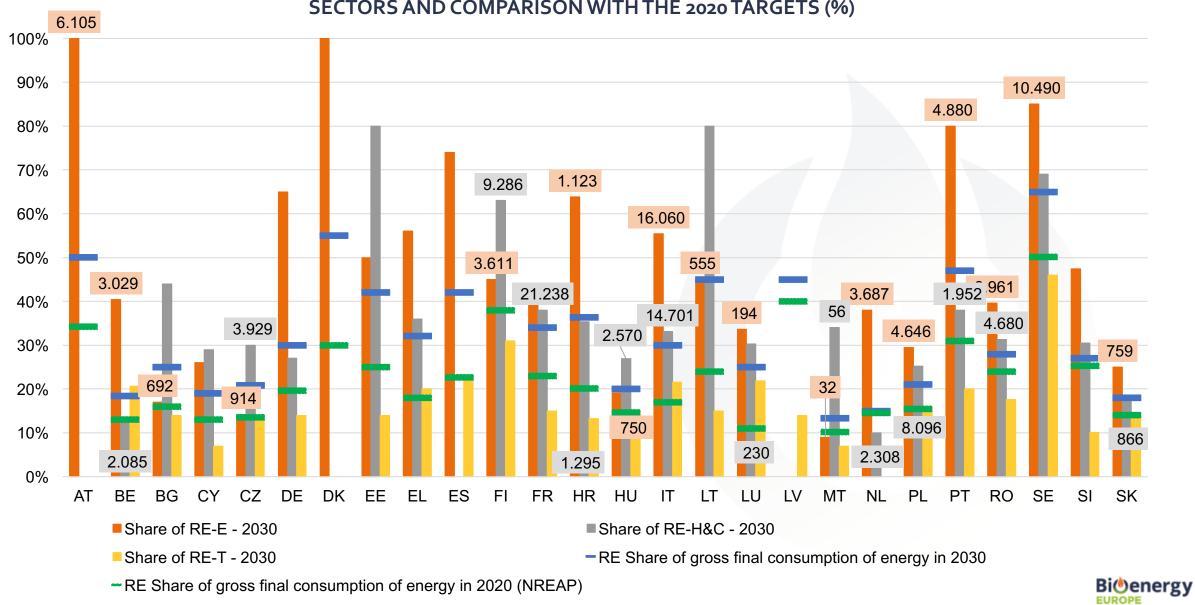
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#### TURNING POINT

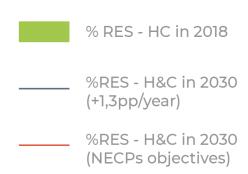


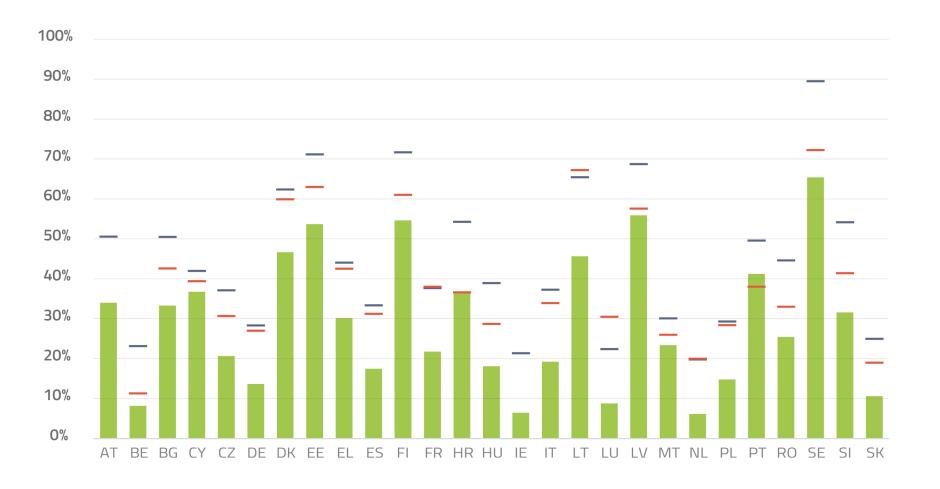
## 2030 RENEWABLE ENERGY OBJECTIVES – SHARE OF RENEWABLE ENERGY IN THE DIFFERENT SECTORS AND COMPARISON WITH THE 2020 TARGETS (%)





Comparison of 2030 objectives for renewables energy in the H&C sector (NECPs) vs +1.3pp/year projections (in %) (Sources: SHARES 2018, NECPs)







### ANALYSIS – 2030 OBJECTIVES FOR BIOENERGY

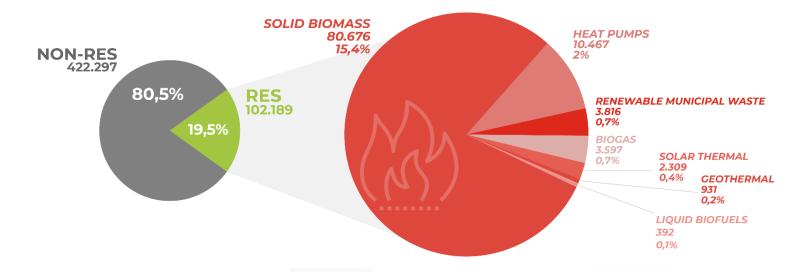
Bioenergy remains the largest RES source for H&C in most Member States

### SHARE OF RENEWABLE ENERGY IN GROSS FINAL ENERGY CONSUMPTION FOR HEATING & COOLING IN EU28

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BIOENERGY EUROPE STATISTICAL REPORT 2019





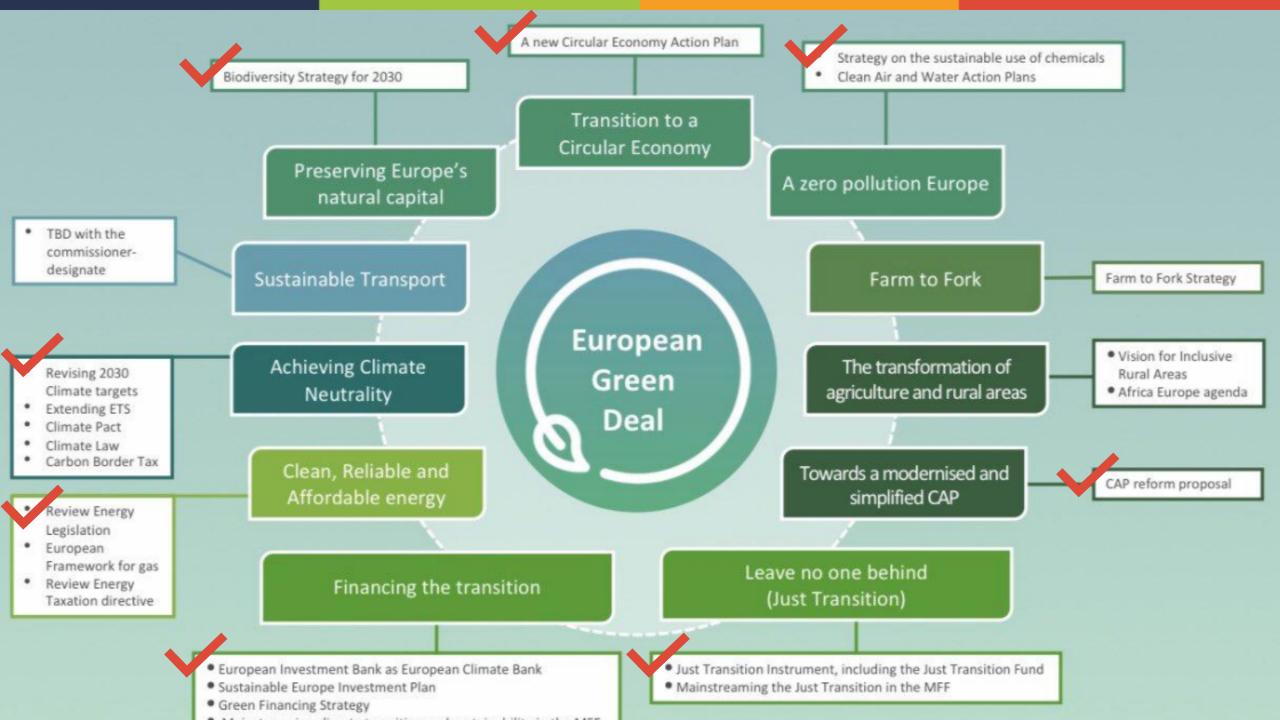
2030: bioenergy remains the main overall RES source

(near or above 50%)



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## **OUR TAKE ON CARBON NEUTRALITY BY 2050**



- At least -**55%** by 2030
- Increased RES target by 2030
- Tackling low RES penetration in heating sector
- Increase specific RE H&C target (from 1.3 pp to 3.1)



# BIOENERGY EUROPE HAS WELCOMED THE RENEWABLE ENERGY DIRECTIVE (2018/2001) SUSTAINABILITY CRITERIA INCLUDING BIODIVERSITY CONSIDERATIONS



The bioenergy sector is looking forward to the implementation of the sustainability criteria **starting 2021.** 



Compliance will be key to ensure the sustainable growth of the sector. Yet, calling for a review of such criteria before their implementation would be a premature move that would throw an important economic sector in the uncertainty.

- 5. Biofuels, bioliquids and biomass fuels produced from agricultural biomass taken into account for the purposes referred to in points (a), (b) and (c) of the first subparagraph of paragraph 1 shall not be made from raw material obtained from land that was peatland in January 2008, unless evidence is provided that the cultivation and harvesting of that raw material does not involve drainage of previously undrained soil.
- 6. Biofuels, bioliquids and biomass fuels produced from forest biomass taken into account for the purposes referred to in points (a), (b) and (c) of the first subparagraph of paragraph 1 shall meet the following criteria to minimise the risk of using forest biomass derived from unsustainable production:
- (a) the country in which forest biomass was harvested has national or sub-national laws applicable in the area of harvest as well as monitoring and enforcement systems in place ensuring:
  - (i) the legality of harvesting operations;
  - (ii) forest regeneration of harvested areas;
  - (iii) that areas designated by international or national law or by the relevant competent authority for nature protection purposes, including in wetlands and peatlands, are protected;
- (iv) that harvesting is carried out considering maintenance of soil quality and biodiversity with the aim of minimising negative impacts; and
- (v) that harvesting maintains or improves the long-term production capacity of the forest;



# PRIVATE FINANCE WILL BE KEY TO SCALE UP BIOENERY PROJECTS AND R&D



# THREATS:

- Sustainability screening not consistent with REDII in certain cases unrealistic
- No existing certification able to guarantee compliance
- Requirements on forestry de facto excluding small forest holders



SIMPLIFIED COMPLIANCE AND COHERENCE WITH EXISTING SUSTAINABILITY XRITERIA



## THANK YOU!

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