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# **Commercialization of large scale biofuel production**

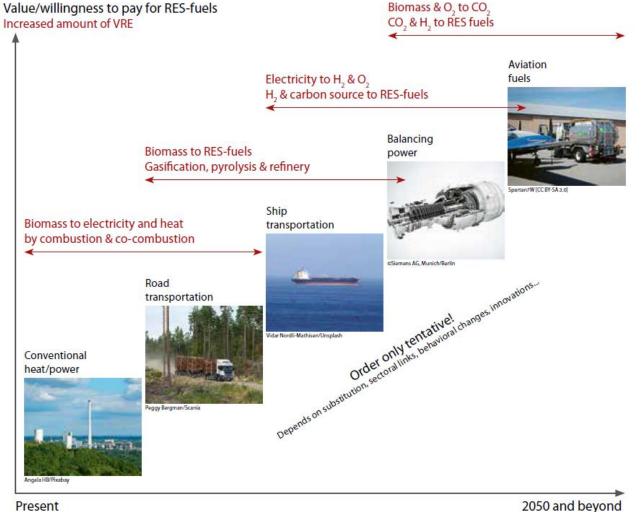
- discussion on conditions and barriers

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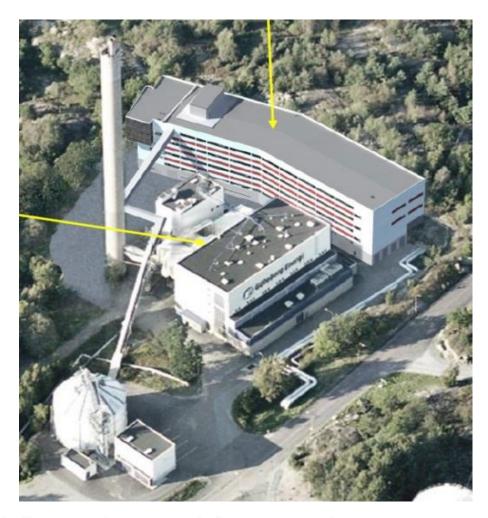




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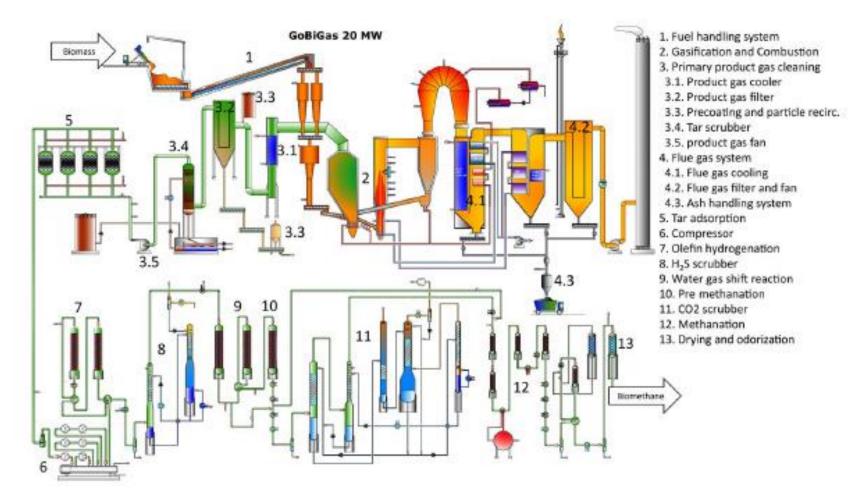






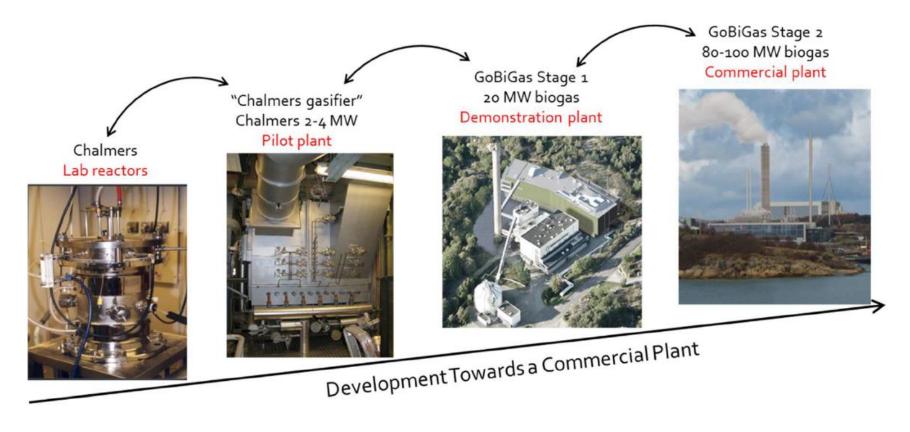












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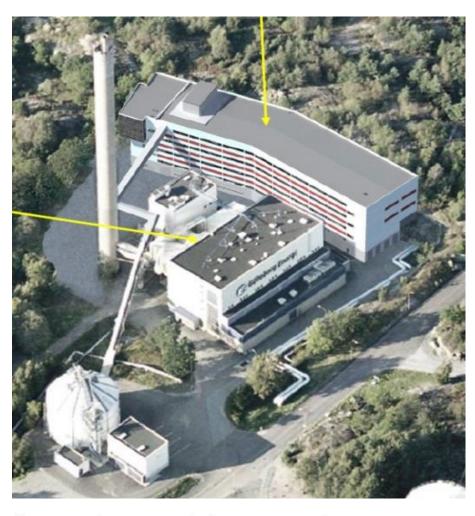
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# Complex



# Long lead times





# **Production cost** *vs* scale

# Sufficient scale is important to reach high number of Full-Load Hours and lowering operational costs (personnel cost)

TABLE 5	Estimated total production cost (including investment costs) for biomethane, using forest residues for feedstock (170 SEK/MWh			
based on lower heating value of received fuel with 45% moisture), 8000 FLH, 20-year economic lifetime, and 70% plant efficiency				

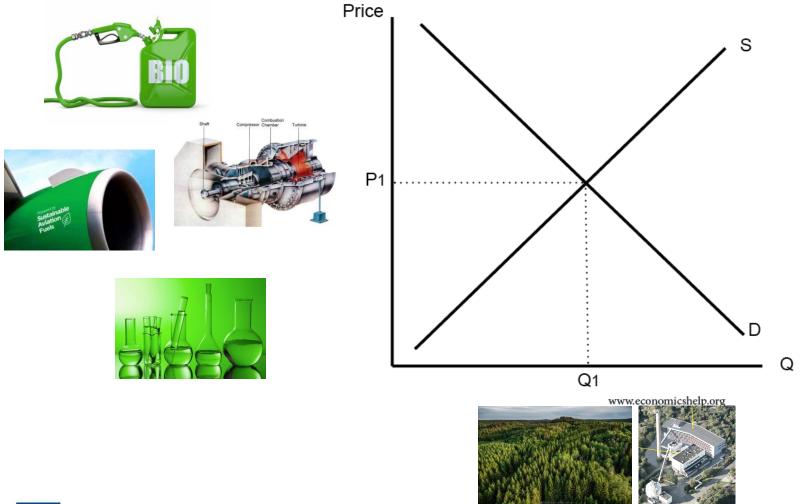
	Commercial plant 20 MW SEK/ MWh	Commercial plant, 100 MW SEK/ MWh	Commercial plant, 200 MW SEK/MWh
Capital cost, depreciation	430	199	145
Capital cost, interest (5%)	258	120	87
Development cost	43	20	15
Operation costs (excluding feedstock)	352	166	132
Feedstock cost	217	217	217
Total cost	1300	722	596

Corresponds to around 0.55 €/litre

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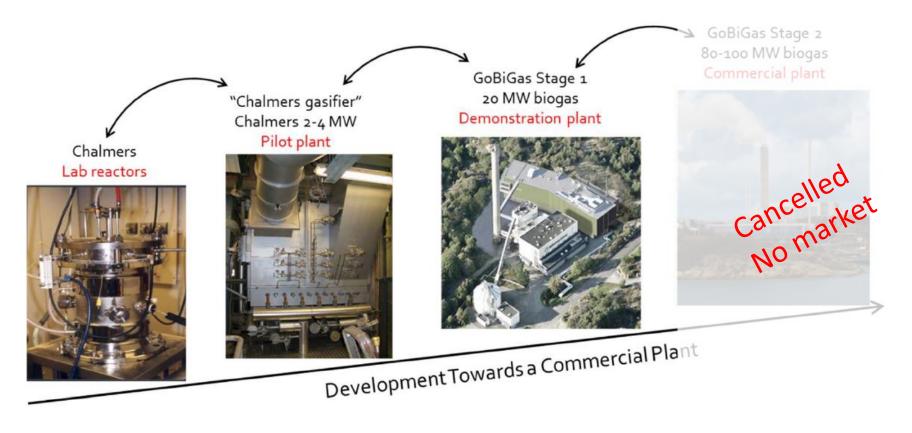
#### Is there a sustainable market for the biofuel?





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