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**DANUBIOM Project Workshop** 

#### Introduction to the Szent István University

- Main profile
  - Research and education
- Typical activities in the field of bioenergy
  - SRC trials
  - Technology development
  - Environmental assessment
    - LCA, MEFA, HANPP, GIS









# Most important references, projects relevant to the topic of the workshop

- SENSOR (FP7) environmental indicators
- BioCore (FP7) feed stock availability, feasibility study
- Coach-BioEnergy (CENTRAL EUROPE) methodology for energy strategy development, environmental assessment for bioenergy value chains
- GuardEN (SOUTH-EAST EUROPE) Standardisation of water and soil protective agricultural production







### Background

- Danube Region Biomass Action Plan (ÉMI)
  - Problem areas are identified
  - Joint declaration: no need for additional sustainability criteria
- European Commission worries about bioenergy
  - GHG and energy efficiency
  - Sustainable use of resources
  - Strategy development are promoted
  - Legislation is adjusted



#### Challenges

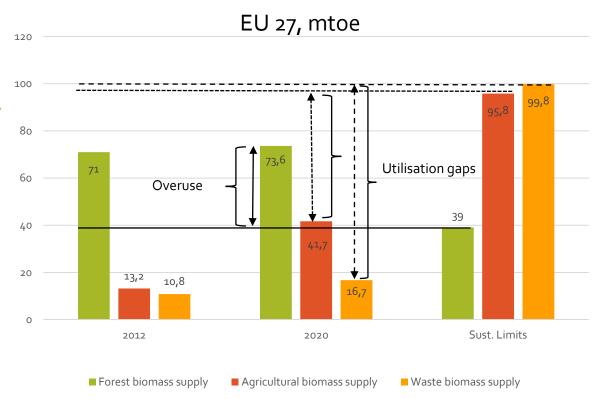
- Woody resources
  - Increasing demand
  - Decreasing availability



Overuse



Utilisation gap



Sources: SWD(2014) 259 final; EEA 7/2006







#### Problem areas - DRBAP

- Information deficit on RE technologies and environmental aspects;
- Fragmented bioenergy market and energy infrastructure;
- Contradictory/not relevant national and EU level policies;
  - inefficient energy utilisation;
- Inappropriate technologies:
  - missing holistic technology application: lack of knowledge related to complex decentralised energy systems;
  - problem of fit of investments and technologies

#### Sustainability risks (SWD(2014) 259 final)

- Resource depletion
  - Soil erosion
  - Reduction of SOC

Decreasing water table

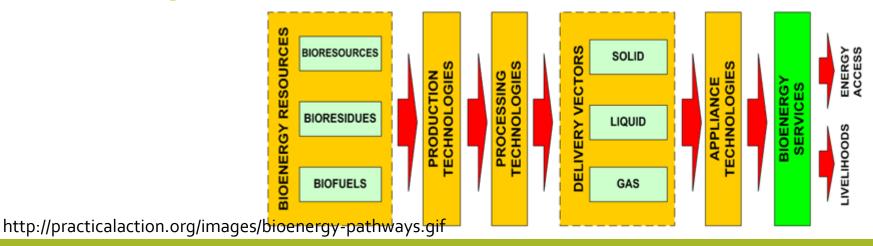
Shrinking cultivation area



- Inefficient bioenergy generation • Increasing emissions from land use land use change and forestry (LULUCF);
  - Deteriorating life cycle GHG emission performance;
  - Indirect impacts, e.g. indirect land use change;
  - Airborne emissions.

#### Solutions – current developments

- Analysis of bioenergy pathways
  - Main aspect: GHG, energy efficiency
- Adjustment of legal framework
- Support for community based utilisation
- Setting environmental standards



#### Project ends and means

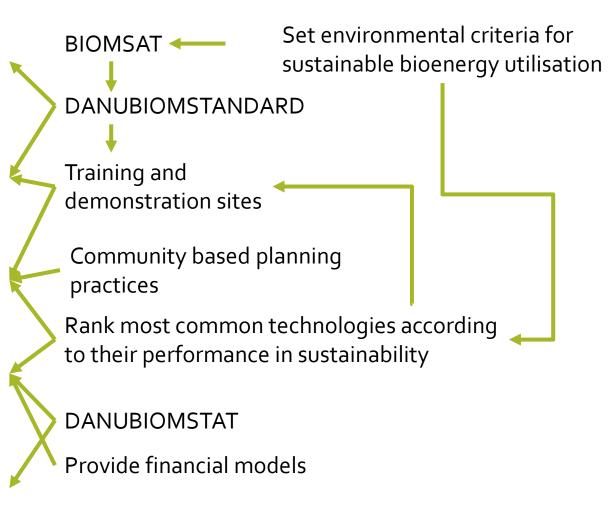
Improve environmentally sustainable and energy efficient bioenergy utilisation

Increase awareness of sustainable bioenergy practices

Assist the development of a sustainable bioenergy infrastructure

Enable a well-functioning bioenergy market

Propose necessary harmonization of policies in line with the sustainability requirements



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http://www.guarden.eu/

http://www.coach-bioenergy.eu/

http://www.mkk.szie.hu/

#### Structure of the project

- WP1. Project management and coordination
- WP2. Communication, knowledge management and dissemination
- WP3. Developments of relevant bioenergy pathways in the DR
  - Stakeholder analysis
  - Market development On-line platform, ESCO
  - Financing model
- WP4. Creation of the common data base
  - Screening of data sources
  - Development of a data management scheme DANUBIOMSTAT
- WP5. Danube Region BioEnergyStandard
  - BIOMSAT
  - Setting Sustainability Criteria
  - Develop a Standard DANUBIOMSTANDARD
- WP6. Technology and knowledge transfer
  - Planning methodology social aspects, stakeholders
  - Technology development and adjustment
  - Demonstration sites innovation network of excellence

