

# Leading Biomethane Producer Nature Energy Biogas to be Acquired By Shell

Huibert Vigeveno, Shell's Downstream Director, commented:

"Acquiring Nature Energy will **add a European production platform and growth pipeline to Shell's existing RNG** projects in the United States. We will use this acquisition to **build an integrated RNG value chain at global scale**, at a time when energy transition policies and customer preferences are signaling strong growth in demand in the years ahead."

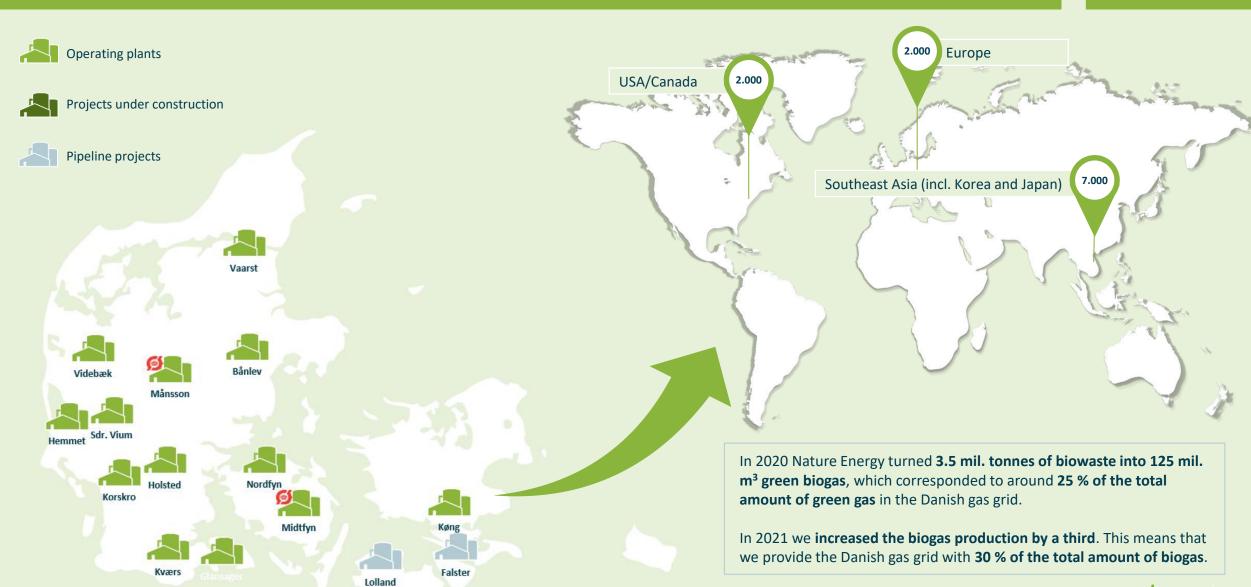


## Sun, wind and biowaste

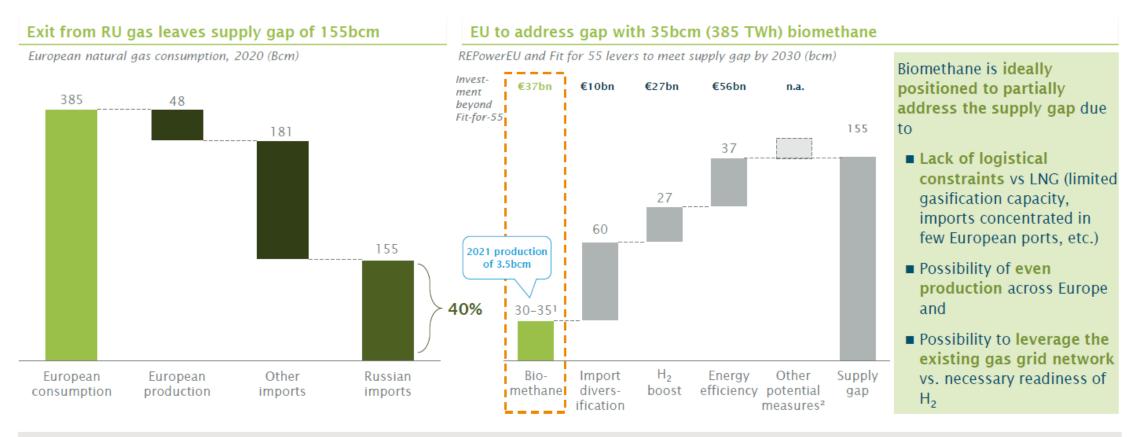


Are the three natural resources for the production of green energy

## World largest Biogas producer with great global growth potential



## Russian gas leaves a significant supply gap in Europe



EU's 35bcm biomethane target is expected to result in undersupply, which is being addressed by €37bn investment in biomethane by the EU

Source: European commission: Eurostat; Global tier-1 management consulting firm analysis

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The European Commission identified various potential measures that in combination could lead to over 155bcm worth of gas import savings from Russia (2021 import level); in addition to accelerating Fit for 55, these measures could include: delayed phase-out and increased operating hours for coal, abandoned phase out of nuclear plants, price-driven fuel switch, biomass use and reduced use in industry



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Target is 35bcm but incremental demand is 31bcm; includes existing Fit for 55 target

## Industrializing Biogas

#### Biogas 1.0



Size:
5-25
GWh/yr¹

Yield:



- Small farm-based facilities or manure lagoons generating biogas for local power/heat
- Large share of feedstock is energy crop
- Moderate CO<sub>2</sub>e abatement

#### Biogas 2.0



Size: 150-300 GWh/yr²

Yield3:



- Industrial scale, high-yield facilities that upgrade biogas to biomethane
- Mainly treats waste & residue feedstocks, non-reliant on energy crop
- Very high CO<sub>2</sub>e abatement

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#### Biogas 3.0



Size: **250-500** 

GWh/yr4

Yield4:



- Integrated, sustainable energy hubs which produce biomethane and monetize CO<sub>2</sub>, biofiber, fertilizers
- Significantly higher yield
- Only treats waste & residue feedstocks
- Even better CO<sub>2</sub>e abatement vs 2.0

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Increase in size up to 60x in GWh/yr

Source: Global tier-1 management consulting firm; PtX stands for Power-to-X

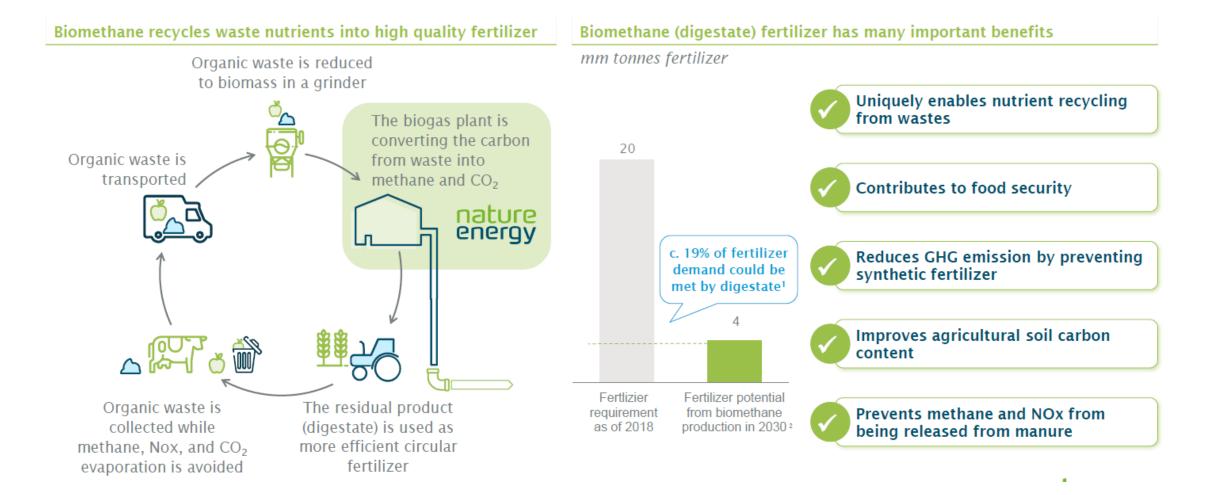
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The average European biogas plant today is c. 10 GWh per year

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> 150-300 GWh range represents c. top 5% of largest biomethane plants

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Higher degree of biomethane extraction vs Biogas 1.0 when using the same feedstock and other resources (incl. energy and time)

<sup>4 75%</sup> higher energy extraction vs Biogas 2.0 by also converting CO2 and biofibers to fuels

## Digestate fertilizer enables sustainable agriculture and food security



Source: UN FAO; Nature Energy; Global tier-1 management consulting firm

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Fertilizer potency from biomethane production in 2030 compared to fertilizer requirement in 2018; as per Global tier-1 management consulting firm

 $<sup>^{2}</sup>$  Degassed biomass from biomethane production, as per Global tier-1 management consulting firm

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Healthy and biodiverse soils are paramount to agricultural production and climate change mitigation according to the UN FAO

### Nature Energy is exploring new technologies to increase carbon utilization

