




BIOGRACE

Harmonised Calculations of
Biofuel Greenhouse Gas Emissions in Europe



• **National GHG calculators –
harmonized in co-operation with
BioGrace**



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Introduction

Rules and methodology for GHG calculations

- RED article 19: Economic operators may use
 - o default values (19.1.a)
 - o actual values calculated according to Annex V.C (19.1.b)
 - o sum of actual value and disaggregated default value (19.1.c)
- RED Annex V.C + June communications: Methodology

Making actual calculations not straightforward

- Some kind of tool or software is needed
 - o Some companies will develop own tools
 - o Many others will use publicly available tools

Several GHG calculators available

Project BioGrace will ensure that all calculators will give the same result

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Dutch tool - General information

Background

- o Dutch government prepared a reporting obligation on sustainability for biofuels to start per 1-1-2009
- o This was abandoned after the publication of the draft Renewable Energy Directive (RED).

The Dutch GHG calculator

- o was developed in 2007/2008 by consultants EcoFys and CE
- o has been available for (Dutch) stakeholders to make GHG calculation on biofuels
- o has not been used extensively due to lack of legal framework in 2008 – 2010
- o was recently updated and made “RED”- proof by Agency NL

Dutch GHG tool

Reference: Diesel

Biofuel: Biodiesel ▼

Feedstock: Rapeseed ▼

Load Default Values

Calculate Results

Adapt Chain

Chain management

Disclaimer

D = Default; U = User input

Version 3.1 - aug

Current chain: Biodiesel from Rapeseed (not saved by user)

Feedstock production

Yield main product	Raw rapeseed	3113 kg / (ha*yr)	D
Main product	Moisture content	0,10 kg / kg	D
Material & energy use	Diesel	2963 MJ / (ha*yr)	D
Material & energy use	N fertilizer	137,4 kg N / (ha*yr)	D
Material & energy use	CaO fertilizer	19,00 kg CaO / (ha*yr)	D
Material & energy use	K2O fertilizer	49,46 kg K2O / (ha*yr)	D
Material & energy use	P2O5 fertilizer	33,67 kg P2O5 / (ha*yr)	D
Material & energy use	Pesticides	1,230 kg / (ha*yr)	D
Material & energy use	Seeding material - rapeseed	6,000 kg / (ha*yr)	D
Field emissions	Field N2O emissions	3,103 kg / (ha*yr)	D
Field emissions	Direct Land Use Change	No g CO2/MJbiofuel	D

Feedstock drying

Yield main product	Dried rapeseed	1,000 MJdried rapeseed / (MJraw rapeseed)	D
Main product	Moisture content	0,10 kg / kg	D
Material & energy use	Diesel	0,181 MJ / (GJdried rapeseed)	D
Material & energy use	Electricity (EU-mix, LV)	3,079 MJ / (GJdried rapeseed)	D

Transport feedstock

Yield main product	Dried rapeseed	0,990 MJdried rapeseed / (MJdried rapeseed)	D
Main product	Moisture content	0,10 kg / kg	D
Transport	Truck for dry product (Diesel)	50 km	D

Extraction in oil mill

Yield main product	Crude vegetable oil	0,613 MJcrude oil / (MJdried rapeseed)	D
Yield by-product	Rapeseed cake	0,387 MJrapeseed cake / (MJdried rapeseed)	D

Dutch GHG tool

Summary Input		Summary output	Biodiesel from Rapeseed				Reference: Diesel			
			Energy use (per MJ)		GHG emissions (kg/MJ)		Energy use (per MJ)		GHG emissions (kg/MJ)	
			(MJ)	(% of ref.)	(g CO2-eq.)	(% of ref.)	(MJ)	(%)	(g CO2-eq.)	(%)
Biofuel	Biodiesel	Feedstock production	0,1672	14%	28,7496	34%				
Feedstock	Rapeseed	Transport actions	0,0233	2%	1,4345	2%				
Process	-	Conversion operations	0,3677	32%	21,5636	26%				
Reference	Diesel									
Print summary results		End use					1,0000	87%	70,1047	84%
Show detailed results		Fossil indirect					0,1550	13%	13,6953	16%
		Total	0,5582	48,3%	51,7477	61,8%	1,1550	100%	83,8000	100%
Return to input		% Reduction	51,7%		38,2%		0%			
Avoided emission (tonne CO ₂ /ha/yr)			1371,5							

Dutch GHG tool

Biofuel
Feedstock
Process
Reference

Biodiesel
Rapeseed
-
Diesel

[Return to overview results](#)

[Return to input](#)

	Absolute Numbers (including allocation)					Relative contribution (including allocation)			
	Energy use [MJ fossil fuel/ MJ biofuel]	Emission CO2 [kg CO2/ MJ biofuel]	Emission N2O [kg CO2-eq/ MJ biofuel]	Emission CH4 [kg CO2-eq/ MJ biofuel]	Emission GHG [kg CO2-eq/ MJ biofuel]	Energy use [%]	Emission CO2 [%]	Emission N2O [%]	Emission CH4 [%]
Feedstock production									
Diesel	0,047	3,555	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	3,555	8,4%	6,9%	0,0%	0,0%
N fertilizer	0,092	5,319	5,370	0,376	11,065	16,5%	10,3%	10,4%	0,7%
CaO fertilizer	5,13E-04	0,031	1,41E-03	1,29E-03	0,034	0,1%	0,1%	0,0%	0,0%
K2O fertilizer	6,55E-03	0,363	2,47E-03	0,024	0,390	1,2%	0,7%	0,0%	0,0%
P2O5 fertilizer	7,02E-03	0,445	7,03E-03	0,014	0,466	1,3%	0,9%	0,0%	0,0%
Pesticides	4,52E-03	0,166	8,38E-03	9,89E-03	0,185	0,8%	0,3%	0,0%	0,0%
Seeding material - rapeseed	6,46E-04	0,034	0,024	1,72E-03	0,060	0,1%	0,1%	0,0%	0,0%
Field N2O emissions	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	12,575	0,00E+00	12,575	0,0%	0,0%	24,3%	0,0%
Direct Land Use Change	-	0,00E+00	-	-	0,00E+00	-	0,0%	-	-
Total Feedstock production	0,159	9,914	17,989	0,427	28,331	28,4%	19,2%	34,8%	0,8%

Allocation burden of this and previous steps to main product Raw rapeseed

100,0%

Allocation burden of this and previous steps to by-product Raw rapeseed

0,0%

Allocation burden of this step to Biodiesel at end-of-chain

58,6%

Feedstock drying

Diesel	2,13E-04	0,016	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,016	0,0%	0,0%	0,0%	0,0%
Electricity (EU-mix, LV)	8,51E-03	0,377	5,05E-03	0,021	0,403	1,5%	0,7%	0,0%	0,0%
Total Feedstock drying	8,72E-03	0,393	5,05E-03	0,021	0,419	1,6%	0,8%	0,0%	0,0%

Allocation burden of this and previous steps to main product Dried rapeseed

100,0%

Allocation burden of this and previous steps to by-product Dried rapeseed

0,0%

Allocation burden of this step to Biodiesel at end-of-chain

58,6%

Transport feedstock

Truck for dry product (Diesel)	2,29E-03	0,173	0,00E+00	2,43E-04	0,173	0,4%	0,3%	0,0%	0,0%
Total Transport feedstock	2,29E-03	0,173	0,00E+00	2,43E-04	0,173	0,4%	0,3%	0,0%	0,0%

Dutch GHG tool

DIRECT LAND USE CHANGE CALCULATION

[Return to input](#)

1. Standard Soil Carbon stock in mineral soil (SOC_{ST})

Climate region See figure 1
Soil type See figure 3 & 2
The blue fields are drop down boxes.

Result SOC_{ST} ton C / ha

2. Factors reflecting the difference in Soil Organic Carbon (SOC) compared to the Standard Soil Organic Carbon (SOC_{ST})

Actual land use Default=Calculate with standard values
User = Own calculation incl. measured value

Type of land See tables 3, 6 and 8
Climate region
Land use F_{LU}
Management F_{MG}
Input F_I
Result SOC_A ton C / ha

Reference land use Default=Calculate with standard values
User = Own calculation incl. measured value

Type of land See tables 3, 6 and 8
Climate region
Land use F_{LU}
Management F_{MG}
Input F_I
Result SOC_{ref} g C / ha

3. Above and below ground vegetation (C_{veg})

Actual land use Default=Calculate with standard values
User = Own calculation incl. measured value

Type of land
Domain
Climate region
Ecological zone
Continent
Crop type
Result C_{VEG,A} ton C / ha

Reference land use Default=Calculate with standard values
User = Own calculation incl. measured value

Type of land
Domain
Climate region
Ecological zone
Continent
Crop type
Result C_{VEG, ref} ton C / ha

4. Bonus (eb) for cultivation on restored degraded land under the conditions provided for in point 8 of Annex V of directive.

Bonus No = 0 g CO₂/MJ
Yes = -29 g CO₂/MJ

Total results

Result: CO₂ emission caused by direct land use change g CO₂/MJ biofuel

[Calculate Results](#) Re-calculate the results if you changed the values here or at the input page.

Dutch tool - Summary

Contents

- o Excel-based tool
- o Tool is rather similar to BioGrace Excel sheets, but
 - It is more user-friendly:
no calculations details, results in graphs
 - DLUC calculations are user-friendly
- o The software programming makes it less flexible
 - More difficult to modify pathways or build new ones

Status

- o Tool is available on-line via
www.senternovem.nl/gave_english/ghg_tool
- o All 22 chains (BioGrace) are included
- o Updates follow updates of BioGrace Excel sheet

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German tool - general information

Background

- o No public tool has been available so far in Germany
- o Aim: to facilitate stakeholders calculating actual values (combination of actual values and disaggregated default values)

The German GHG calculator

- o is made by IFEU, contracted by BMU
- o should be finalised mid 2011
- o should be in line with BLE Guidance
- o is strongly linked to economic operators: 1 sheet dedicated for cultivators, mill operators, refinery operators, etc.

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 Refinery operator 

 Last interface 

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Start

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I. Market actor: Plantation operator, first purchaser

Step-by-step manual for calculating GHG emissions of oil palm cultivation

Final Result

Please provide this info together with your batch to oil miller.

Please note: When combining FFB batches and averaging GHG emissions, GHG value for each batch may not exceed **280g CO₂eq/kg FFB**



The CO₂ emissions from oil palm cultivation amount to

123,7 g CO₂eq/kg FFB



Size of the FFB batch

0 kg

Enter your operating data in step 1-4 to calculate CO₂ emissions of your FFB batch

STEP 1 - GHG emissions from land use changes

Do FFB's originate from plantation areas that were plantation areas before January 1st 2008?

yes 

Emissions from land use change are zero.

no 

Click here to calculate emissions in sheet "land use changes"

Which emissions arose from land use changes?

0 kg CO₂eq per ha per year

STEP 2 - GHG emissions from cultivation

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I. Market actor: Plantation operator, first purchaser

Step-by-step manual for calculating CO₂ emissions from land use change

The European Commission has published *guidelines for the calculation of land carbon stocks* (notified under document C (2010) 3751). These consist of tables with values for carbon stock in soils, above and below ground biomass for different soil types, climate regions, vegetation types etc.

Result

value will be added in sheet
»actor cultivator« step 1



#WAARDE!

kg CO₂eq per ha per year




confirm value and back


Specify the parameters in step 1-4 to calculate CO₂ emissions from land use changes

STEP 1 - Carbon stock in above and below ground biomass on 01.01.2008 (CS_R)

Please select:

Vegetation type	Forest (10-30% canopy cover)	
Domain		
Climate region		
Ecological zone		
Continent		
Above and below ground carbon on 01.01.08	Please make a valid selection	t C/ha

STEP 2 - Soil carbon on 01.01.2008 (CS_R)

Climate region	Tropical, moist	
Please select:		
Soil type	Low activity clay soils	
Standard soil carbon t C/ha		47

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STEP 2 - GHG emissions from cultivation

What is your FFB yield per ha per year?

19.000 kg FFBs per ha per year



What is the size of your cultivation area?

28 ha

How much fertilizer did you apply per ha per year? Please enter the amount for each of the following fertilizers.

N-fertiliser

128,0 kg N per ha per year



P₂O₅-fertiliser

144,0 kg P₂O₅ per ha per year



K₂O-fertiliser

200,0 kg K₂O per ha per year



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STEP 2 - GHG emissions from cultivation	
What is your FFB yield per ha per year?	19,000 kg FFBs per ha per year
What is the size of your cultivation area?	28 ha
How much fertilizer did you apply per ha per year? Please enter the amount for each of the following fertilizers.	
N-fertiliser	128.0 kg N per ha per year
P ₂ O ₅ -fertiliser	144.0 kg P ₂ O ₅ per ha per year
K ₂ O-fertiliser	200.0 kg K ₂ O per ha per year
CaO-fertiliser	0.0 kg CaO per ha per year
How much pesticides did you apply per ha per year?	
Pesticides	8.4 kg active ingredient per ha per year
How much diesel did you use per ha per year? Please include	
Diesel	57.4 l per ha per year
What is the size of your batch (consignment)?	0 kg
Emissions fertilizer	2,077 kg CO₂eq per ha per year
N-fertilizer production	757 kg CO ₂ eq per ha per year
N ₂ O field emissions	1,058 kg CO ₂ eq per ha per year
P ₂ O ₅ -fertilizer production	146 kg CO ₂ eq per ha per year
K ₂ O-fertilizer production	116 kg CO ₂ eq per ha per year
Ca-fertilizer production	0 kg CO ₂ eq per ha per year
Emissions pesticide production	93 kg CO₂eq per ha per year
Emissions diesel	180 kg CO₂eq per ha per year
Emissions (cultivation)	2,350 kg CO₂eq per ha per year
Emissions (land use changes)	0 kg CO₂eq per ha per year
Total emissions	2,350 kg CO₂eq per ha per year

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Start

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II. Market actor: Oil mill operator

Step-by-step manual for calculating CO₂ emissions of CPO production

Final Result

Please provide this info together with your batch to refinery.

Please note: When combining CPO batches and averaging GHG emissions, GHG value for each batch may not exceed **1190g CO₂eq/kg CPO**



The CO₂ emissions from palm oil mill amount to

1517 g CO₂eq/kg CPO



Size of the CPO batch

30000 kg

Enter your operating data in step 1-4 to calculate CO₂ emissions of your CPO batch

STEP 1 - GHG emissions of pre-products

What GHG emissions arose from the production of the FFBs? Indicate whether you want to use the default value or a calculated value.

default value



Click here to use default value "126" g CO₂eq/kg FFB in the field below

calculate value



Click here to calculate your emissions in g CO₂eq/kg FFB.

126 g CO₂eq/kg FFB

STEP 2 - GHG emissions from oil mill operation

How many tons of FFB's did you process per year?

10.000 t FFB/year



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Mixing CPO batches from several suppliers and averaging GHG emissions

Overall quantity metric tonnes	Overall GHG value g CO ₂ eq/kg FFB
0	0

 confirm value and back

Supplier#	Plantation name	FFB quantity metric tonnes	GHG value g CO ₂ eq/kg FFB
1			
2			
3			
4			
5			
6			
7			
8			
9			
10			
11			
12			
13			
14			
15			
16			
17			
18			
19			
20			



fill in the information
delivered by your suppliers

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IV. Market actor: Last Interface

Step-by-step manual for calculating greenhouse gas savings:

Final Result
Greenhouse gas savings



44% compared to fossil comparator



STEP 1

What are the GHG emissions of the final product?

1747 g CO₂eq/kg refined palm oil



Calculation of heat content

47 g CO₂eq/MJ

Is the biofuel used for electricity production or for cogeneration?

Electricity from Cogeneration

85 g CO₂eq/MJ

German tool - Summary

Contents

- o Excel-based tool
- o Tool differs from BioGrace Excel sheets:
 - Pathways are split in partial calculations
 - DLUC calculations are user-friendly
- o The software programming makes it inflexible
 - Not possible to modify pathways or build new ones

Status

- o Tool is available on-line via www.ifeu.de/english
- o Currently one chain available: palm oil
- o Cereals-to-ethanol and oil_seeds-to-biodiesel chains are ready but not available on line

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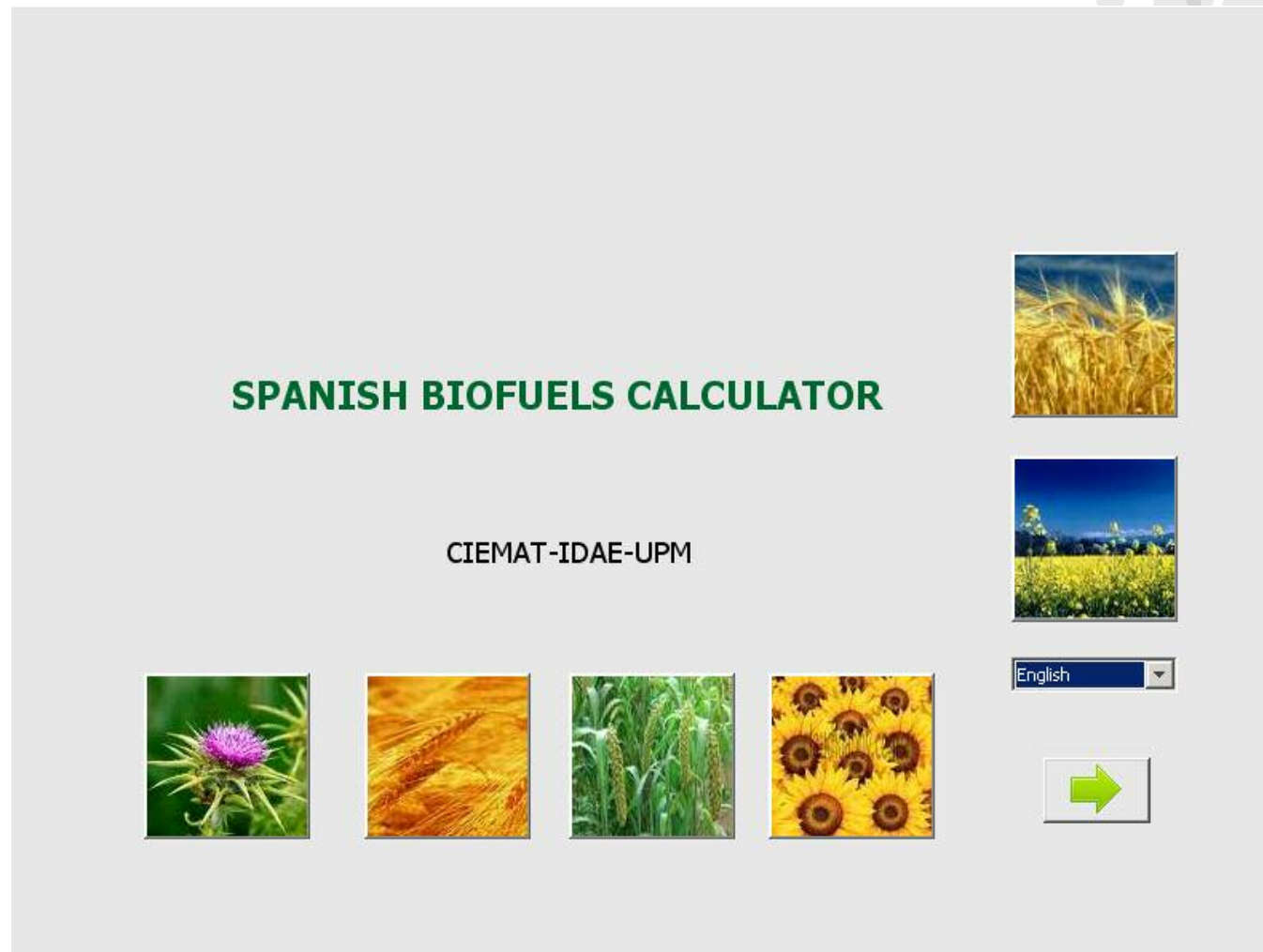
Background

- o No public tool has been available so far in Spain
- o Aim: to provide stakeholders (especially farmers and small biofuel companies) with a tool to calculate the GHG emissions required by the RED

The Spanish GHG calculator

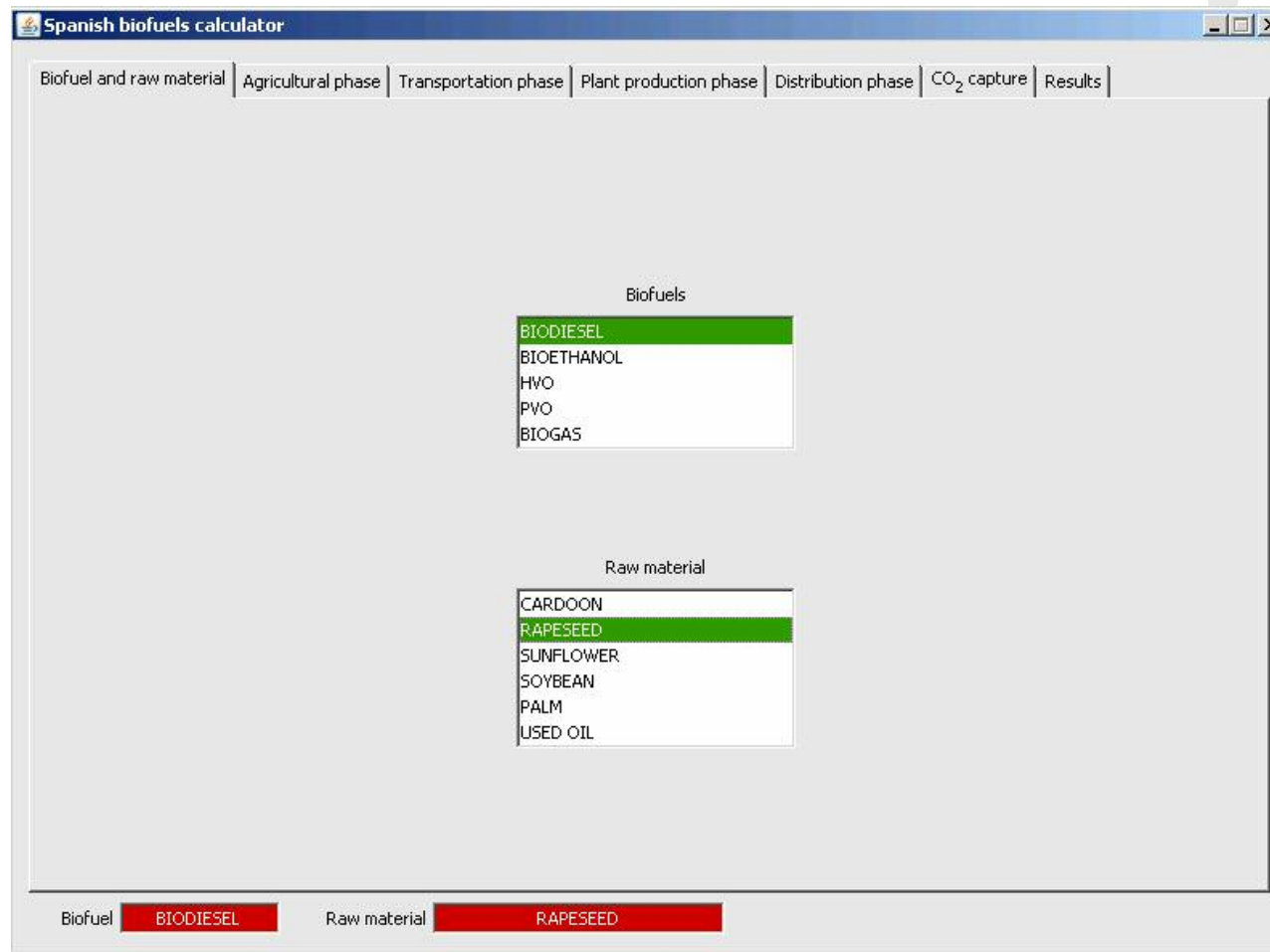
- o being developed by CIEMAT, contracted by IDAE
- o focuses on agricultural stages
- o uses data from NUTS study (actual values or averages calculated for smaller geographical areas)

Spanish GHG tool



Spanish GHG tool

Biofuel and raw material selection screen



The screenshot shows a web application titled "Spanish biofuels calculator". It features a navigation bar with tabs: "Biofuel and raw material", "Agricultural phase", "Transportation phase", "Plant production phase", "Distribution phase", "CO₂ capture", and "Results". The "Biofuel and raw material" tab is active. The main content area has two sections: "Biofuels" and "Raw material".

Biofuels selection:

- BIODIESEL (highlighted)
- BIOETHANOL
- HVO
- PVO
- BIOGAS

Raw material selection:

- CARDOON
- RAPESEED (highlighted)
- SUNFLOWER
- SOYBEAN
- PALM
- USED OIL

At the bottom, there are two red buttons: "Biofuel" and "Raw material". The "Biofuel" button is labeled "BIODIESEL" and the "Raw material" button is labeled "RAPESEED".

Spanish GHG tool

Agricultural county selection screen

Spanish biofuels calculator

Biofuel and raw material | **Agricultural phase** | Transportation phase | Plant production phase | Distribution phase | CO₂ capture | Results

General data | Fertilization | Pesticides | Field works | Crop yield | N₂O emissions | Others

Region	Provincia	County
Andalucía	Almería	Alto Almazora
Aragón	Cádiz	Alto Andarax
Asturias	Córdoba	Bajo Almazora
Baleares	Granada	Campo Dalías
Canarias	Huelva	Campo Níjar y Bajo Andarax
Cantabria	Jaén	Campo Tabernas
Castilla León	Málaga	Los Vélez
Castilla La Mancha	Sevilla	Río Nacimiento
Cataluña		
Ceuta y Melilla		
Comunidad de Madrid		
Comunidad Valenciana		
Extremadura		
Galicia		
La Rioja		
Murcia		
Navarra		
País Vasco		

Irrigation type
☒ IRRIGATED
☐ RAINFED

Seed dose
 kg/ha

Biofuel **BIODIESEL** Raw material **RAPSEED**

Spanish GHG tool

Fertilization data input screen

Spanish biofuels calculator

Biofuel and raw material | Agricultural phase | Transportation phase | Plant production phase | Distribution phase | CO₂ capture | Results

General data | Fertilization | Pesticides | Field works | Crop yield | N₂O emissions | Others

Mineral fertilizers

	kg/ha	% N	% P2O5	% K2O
NPK 15/15/15	0,00	15	15	15
NPK 8/15/15	0	8	15	15
NPK 9/18/27	0	9	18	27
NPK 12/10/17	0	12	10	17
Urea	0	46	0	0
Potassium nitrate	0	12	12	12
Diammonium phosphate	0	12	46	0
Amonium sulphate	0	21	0	21
Potassium sulphate	0	0	0	53
Other	0	0	0	0
CaO fertilizer	0			

Organic fertilizers

0 kg N/ha

Totals

N 0.0 kg/ha
P2O5 0.0 kg/ha
K2O 0.0 kg/ha
CaO 0.0 kg/ha

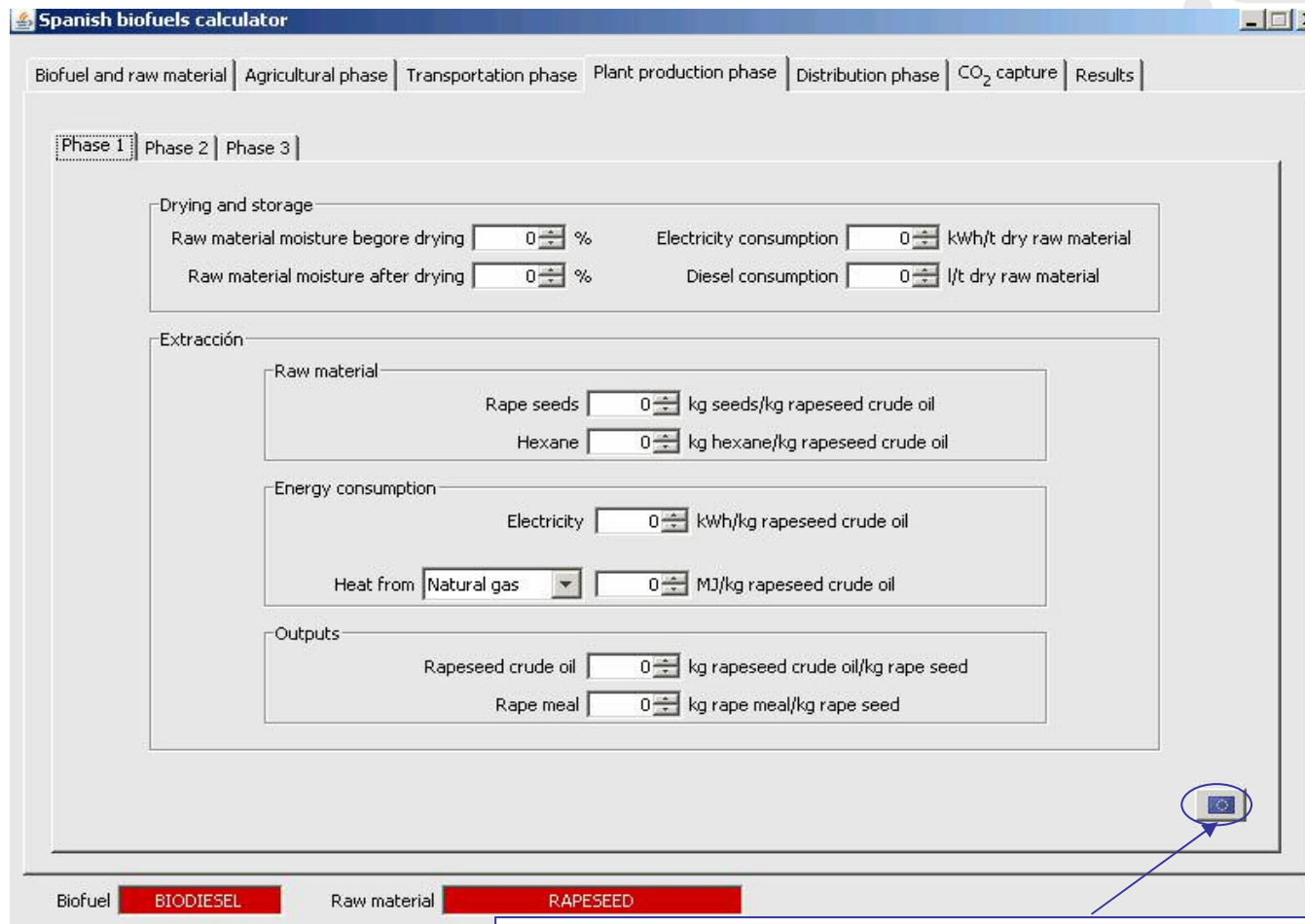
Biofuel **BIODIESEL** Raw material **RAPESEED**

Typical values for the agricultural county selected are uploaded

Values to reproduce the default values of the RED are uploaded

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Transformation data input screen



Values to reproduce the default values of the RED are uploaded

www.biograce.net

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Results screen



Spanish tool - Summary

Contents

- o Tool build in Java
- o Focus on Spain:
 - Contains data on agricultural inputs and yields for 6 crops used to produce biofuels in Spain at the level of agrarian county (NUTs4)
 - Any farmer in the country can select his/her county and crop and the corresponding values regarding agricultural inputs and yields will appear in the tool.
- o For processing and transport: RED default values
- o Standard values from BioGrace

Status

- o Biodiesel from rapeseed, rapeseed HVO and ethanol from wheat CHP chains ready
- o Final version expected mid-2011

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UK tool - general information

Background

- o UK GHG calculator was developed under RTFO reporting scheme
- o Calculator existing since 2008, regularly updated
- o Aim is to facilitate stakeholders calculating actual values under RTFO reporting

The UK GHG calculator

- o was made and is regularly updated by consultant E4Tech, contracted by RFA
- o has recently been made “RED-proof”
- o strongly linked to RTFO reporting scheme
- o provides more “standard values” as compared to BioGrace

UK GHG tool

RFA: Carbon Intensity Calculator 1.1 (build 52)

File Edit Reports Options Help

My project name: Biodiesel C

General information
Year 2010:
Apr 15 (2010) to Apr 30

import default fuel chain... import fuel chain from CSV...

75%

Module: Fuel chain Liquid

Intermediate results:

Fuel chain carbon intensity: 1070 kg(CO₂e)/t(biofuel)
Carbon intensity: 39.9 grams(CO₂e)/MJ
GHG Saving: 52.4 %

Internal batch number:
Biofuel type: Bioethanol
Volume of biofuel / Reported: 0 / 0
Feedstock country of origin: Any
Biofuel feedstock: Sugar beet

Start

2 Microsoft... Meetings ho... New Entrant... 002 Present... 100312 Berli... Hastings - J... 090908 Pow... 100527 Map... RFA Carbon... 10:44

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7.2 Fuel chain – Liquid



Basic data	
Module description	A brief description of the module. This field is optional.
Details and links to verification evidence	Any further details can be added here, including, for example links to any evidence which supports the actual data used within this module. This field is optional.
Internal batch number	A batch number for your own reference can be entered here. This field is optional.
Fuel type produced	The biofuel type of this batch / fuel chain. This field is compulsory. This field can only be changed if no modules follow the 'Fuel chain – Liquid' module.
Country	The country in which the feedstock was produced (NOT necessarily the country in which the biofuel was produced). This field is compulsory ('Unknown' can be selected if relevant). This field can only be changed if no modules follow the 'Fuel chain – Liquid' module.
Biofuel feedstock	The type of feedstock from which the biofuel was produced. This field is compulsory ('Unknown' can be selected if relevant). This field can only be changed if no modules follow the 'Fuel chain – Liquid' module.

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7.2 Fuel chain – Liquid



Quantity of fuel	The quantity of biofuel in this batch (measured in litres) – this is the quantity of fuel the software enters into the monthly CSV report which can be uploaded to the RFA Operating System.
Quantity of fuel recorded in the RFA Operating System	If you make any adjustments to fuel quantities recorded on the RFA Operating System after uploading a monthly CSV report, the new quantities can be recorded in this field (measured in litres). Annual reports can only be prepared if fuel quantities are recorded in this field.
Fuel chain default value	This field shows the appropriate fuel chain default value, based on the data you supplied on fuel type, feedstock and country of origin.
Social and Environmental	
Land use on 01 Jan 2008	The land use, on 1 st January 2008, for the land on which the biofuel feedstock was grown. Definitions of the land use are given in the Technical Guidance for RTFO year 3 Part 1 Annex H.
Standard	The sustainability standard to which the reported feedstock was produced – see Section 3.3 of the Technical Guidance for RTFO year 3 Part 1 for further details.
Social level	The ‘Social level’ achieved by the sustainability standard selected. This field will generally not need to be changed.

UK tool - Summary

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- o Tool build in LCA-software package
- o Tool can produce supplier monthly and annual C&S reports
- o Tool differs from BioGrace Excel sheets:
 - More than 250 biofuel production pathways included
 - DLUC calculations not included
- o The software programming makes it flexible
 - Rather easy to modify pathways or build new ones

Status

- o Tool on-line via www.renewablefuelsagency.gov.uk including a user manual
- o All chains available (and more) but not all chains give same result (yet) as compared to RED defaults

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Comparison of results

Check list Version 3.0 February 2011	Default greenhouse gas emissions						
	Table A RED Annex V/FQD Annex IV	BIOGRACE W3		BIOGRACE WP4 National GHG Calculators			
Biofuel production pathways	Default value	1/25/298	1/23/296	The Netherlands ANL	Germany IFEU	Spain CIEMAT	UK
Ethanol wheat lignite	70	69.9	69.8	69.9	67.9		70
Ethanol wheat (proces fuel not specified)	70	69.9	69.8	69.8	67.9		70
Ethanol wheat (natural gas - steam boiler)	55	54.9	54.6	54.6	52.8	55.61	55
Ethanol wheat (natural gas - CHP)	44	44.3	44.1	44.1	42.2		44
Ethanol wheat (straw)	26	26.1	26.0	26.0	24.0		26
Ethanol corn	43	43.6	43.4	43.4	42.6		43
Ethanol sugarbeet	40	40.3	40.1	40.1			40
Ethanol from sugarcane	24	24.3	24.0	24.0			24
Biodiesel rape seed	52	52.0	51.7	51.8		52.51	52
Biodiesel palm oil	68	68.7	66.0	66.0	68.9		68
Biodiesel palm oil (methane capture)	37	37.1	36.9	37.0	36.3		37
Biodiesel soy	58	57.2	56.9	57.0			58
Biodiesel sunflower	41	40.8	40.6	40.6			41
Biodiesel UCO	14	21.4	21.3	21.3			14
PVO rape seed	36	36.1	35.9	31.2			36
HVO rape seed	44	44.5	44.2	44.2		44.57	44
HVO palm oil	62	61.6	58.9	58.9			62
HVO palm oil (methane capture)	29	29.1	29.0	29.0			29
HVO sunflower	32	32.9	32.7	32.7			32
Biogas - dry manure	15	14.3	13.0	12.9			15
Biogas - wet manure	16	15.8	14.5	14.4			16
Biogas - MSW.	23	22.7	21.4	21.4			23
	1/25/298	1/25/298	1/23/296	1/23/296	1/25/298	1/23/296	

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Conclusions

Several GHG calculators available

- o Two exist since 2008, three (including BioGrace Excel sheets) are newly developed
- o Project BioGrace will ensure that all calculators will give the same result
- o Some allow to modify or build new pathways, others don't

National GHG calculators have different aims

- o Some are more focussed on national data or national reporting, others are more international oriented
- o Focus on different aspects
 - Agricultural stages (Spain)
 - Supply of data through the chain of custody (Germany)

Thank you for your attention

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