

UFOP status report 'Biodiesel & Co. 2024/2025' published

UFOP call for a fuel strategy

Berlin, 29 October 2025. The updated status report 'Biodiesel & Co. 2024/2025' provides an overview of the most important legal regulations at European and national level for the promotion of biofuels in around 50 pages. The report begins with a critical assessment of the new coalition government's energy and financing policy in the context of Russia's war against Ukraine. UFOP emphasises that this conflict is detrimental to the financing of national and international climate protection, referring to the so-called developing countries that are particularly affected by climate change. The war started by Russia is consequently leading to global losses and human suffering, an issue that has so far been insufficiently discussed or taken into account on the international political stage, UFOP critically notes with a view to the upcoming UN World Climate Conference in Brazil.

The report briefly presents the changed biofuel policy of the USA, the national and EU transformation process and, in this context, the increasing importance of hydrogenated vegetable oil (HVO) for meeting national mandate requirements. It explains the importance of the biodiesel sector for German and European agriculture and the effects of a market and GHG efficiency-driven biofuel market in Germany. With its double counting of biofuels from certain waste oils, Germany is the key driver in the EU for changing the composition of raw materials, but also for the cases of fraud that have come to light. For this reason, the issue of fraud prevention in the context of the national implementation of RED III is also examined. In this changed and more ambitious regulatory environment, UFOP calls for a fuel and biofuel strategy aligned with the options of existing fuel standards. The report emphasises the need to take into account the additional volume requirements of the shipping and aviation sectors, which are to be included for the first time, and, in this context, the limited global potential of vegetable oil raw materials and waste oil quantities that can be derived. A comprehensive statistical appendix on, among other things, the production and use of biofuels in Germany, the EU and globally supplements the report as a reference work.

The status report is available for download at: bit.ly/BiodieselReport2025



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The 16th edition of this report supplements the previously published reports, which are listed at www.ufop.de/biodieselreports. For these years, the development process of EU and national biofuel policy can be figuratively viewed in the 'rear-view mirror'.

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