

Biomass and CCS

IEAGHG Activities

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IEAGHG R&D Programme



- A collaborative research programme founded in 1991 as an IEA Implementing Agreement financed by its members
- Aim: Provide definitive information on the role that technology can play in reducing greenhouse gas emissions.
- Producing information that is:
 - > Objective, trustworthy, independent
 - \geq Policy relevant but NOT policy prescriptive
 - Reviewed by external Expert Reviewers
- Focuses on Carbon Dioxide Capture and Storage (CCS)
- Activities: Studies and reports (>120); International Research Networks : Wells, Risk, Monitoring, Modelling, Oxy, Capture, Solid Looping, Social Research; Communications (GHGT conferences, IJGGC, etc); facilitating demonstration activities; peer reviews.
- Collaborate with IEA, Global CCS Institute, CSLF, ZEP, IPAC, CO2GEONET, UNFCCC



Techno-economic assessment of capture

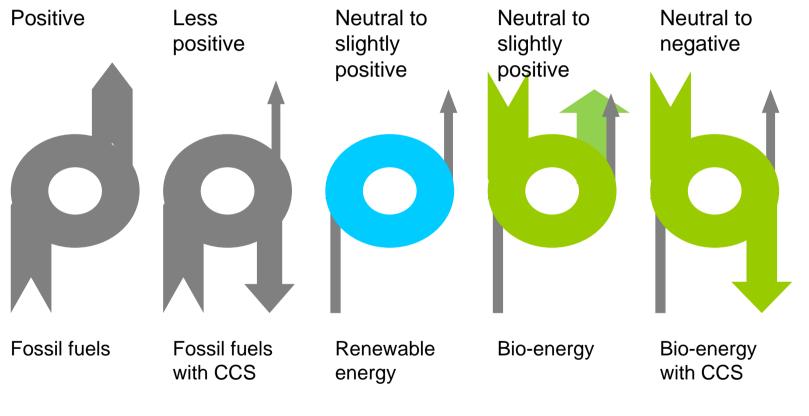
Regulation and Incentives

Global Potential



Why Biomass and CCS - the net carbon balance









Need for Biomass CCS



- Deployment of current emissions reduction technologies may not be enough for climate stabilisation - future emission scenarios (IPCC 4th AR) may require negative emissions
- Only one technology option large-scale and near-market biomass and CCS
- Highlighted in GHGT9 conclusions, and starting to be recognised, but no assessment of realistic potential, issues, limitations etc.
- Implications uncertain, possibly large, not reflected in climate policy (Rhodes & Keith 2008) – due to lack of information
- IEA CCS Roadmap
- IEAGHG Study with ECOFYS assessment of global potential, and issues







TECHNO-ECONOMIC EVALUATION OF POST COMBUSTION CAPTURE ON BIOMASS POWER PLANT



Techno-Economic Evaluation of Biomass Power Plant with Post Combustion Capture



- IEAGHG Report 2009/9, Foster Wheeler Italy
- Scope PF and CFBC dedicated and co-fired, EU context
- Findings
 - Efficiency drops significantly for dedicated
 - Capital cost increases 63%-126% (highest for dedicated due to capture plant and flue gas cleaning)
 - COE increases 50%-100% (highest for dedicated)
 - Requires ETS price 48-76 Euro tCO2







Biomass CCS Economic Incentives using Carbon Markets







- EU ETS EUAs
- JI ERUs
- CDM CERs
- IPCC GHG Guidelines AAUs





Carbon markets



- EU ETS Directive 2009
- Art 10a free allocation can be given to biomass CCS, but not to any electricity production
- Industrial operations OK? use of benchmarks
- Annex 1.1 100% biomass combustion not covered by Directive
- Article 24a EUAs can be given to activities reducing GHGs outside ETS, given not in respect of emissions. Needs host govn to apply.
- Creates uncertainty, needs clarification







- JI-ERUs
- Bilateral offset projects in co-operation with host govn allocates from AAUs and converts AAUs to ERUs for project – can work for biomass CCS
- Domestic offsets??









- CDM CERs
- CERs allocated for emissions reductions below baseline can work for biomass CCS, BUT CCS not yet recognised for CDM.
- Copenhagen CMP5 invites new methodologies for net reduction technologies
- Sustainable development









- IPCC GHG Guidelines (2006)
- CCS Chapter 5.3 "Negative emissions may arise.....if CO2 generated by biomass combustion is captured. This is a correct procedure and negative emissions should be reported as such."

However in practice – limitations, uncertainty, lack of being tested







Global Potential







- ECOFYS, NL (Joris Koornneef et al)
- Report Draft out for peer review
- Scope
 - Full biomass chain and CCS chain
 - Technical, realisable and economic potential
 - 2030 and 2050
 - Dedicated and co-firing





Conclusions



- Technical potential BE-CCS options is large in 2050
 - Up to -10 Gt in power sector (33% of global electricity demand), or;
 - Up to -5 Gt in bio-fuel sector (31% of global fuel demand)
 - Biomass potential is limiting factor
- Realisable potential BE-CCS options is smaller in 2050
 - Up to almost -3 Gt (biomass share ~10% of global electricity demand)

O Co-firing installed capacity + CCS retrofit is largest

ECOFYS

 Biofuels up to -1 Gt (5% of global fuel demand = conservative estimate)

Conclusions



- Economic potential with CO2 price of 50 €/ton
 - Up to -3 Gt in both power and bio-fuel sector
- Early BE-CCS opportunities with bio-ethanol most likely exist in US and Brazil





Policy, Incentives, Regulation?



- Policy, regulations, incentives developed generally without Biomass CCS in mind
- Policy makers need to decide......
- To decide need to be
 - 1st aware
 - 2nd informed





