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BIOGRACE - extending its GHG calculation tool

In the project BioGrace (I) running from 2010 to 2012 a greenhouse gas (GHG) calculation tool was developed for liquid biofuels. The project BioGrace-II now aims to harmonise GHG calculations for electricity, heating and cooling from biomass. The approach will base on the European Commission report COM(2010)11 on this subject and the follow-up of this report that is expected in 2013. The consortium of seven European state agencies and research organisations is going to

â?? Produce an Excel-based GHG calculation tool for electricity, heating and cooling from biomass

â?? Support policy makers in EU member states to follow a harmonised approach

â?? Use feedback from companies to improve the tool

â?? Train the trainers of verification systems on bioenergy GHG calculations.

In past October, the drafts of the Excel tool and the methodological background document have been presented and discussed at an expert workshop in Heidelberg, Germany. Feedback sessions for companies will start in January: economic operators are invited to put the tool to a reality check before the first version will be launched in spring 2013.

More information: www.biograce.net