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Transport biofuels: ILUC prevention project published

Potential indirect land use change (ILUC) triggered by increased production of crops for biofuels has become a critical point of discussion. Various studies have shown a wide variability in potential ILUC impacts in different settings; and results remain uncertain. A key limitation of existing studies is that they exclude the impact of mitigation options.

The ILUC prevention project applied a regional approach that presumes that ILUC can be prevented if increased regional production is made possible without diverting other crop production nor expanding on high carbon stock or high conservation value lands.

Within the project, regional case studies were conducted. These studies investigated how much additional biofuel feedstock can be produced in a specific region with low risk of causing ILUC. Important aspects were also to assess the availability and reliability of data required for the analysis and to investigate policy and governance options relevant in the specific settings.

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