Leveraging the development of national biomass strategies & action plans, based on a balanced assessment approach for policy makers – BAP DRIVER
Project Summary.

Partners:

Ten energy agencies and institutions from 8 EU Member states form a European biomass policy group, complemented by 4 thematic working groups on EU-level and 8 national roundtables.

Main objectives:

• Leverage the formulation and implementation of consistent national biomass strategies and action plans in the EU member states, thus, help fulfilling the European Biomass Action Plan and the requirements for Renewable Energy Action Plans.

• Foster an integrated view of policy makers on biomass promotion.

• Help overcome market barriers for biomass utilization.
Background.

- The promotion of bioenergy is a top priority on the political agenda.
- Progress in terms of actual market deployment remains dissatisfactory.
- Market barriers are due to insufficient policy frameworks on the national level.
- New policy initiatives are coming up to overcome these barriers, e.g. the European Biomass Action Plan (BAP).
- A consistent approach by policy-makers on national biomass strategies and action plans is needed.
Objectives and Main Steps.

- **Enhance transparency** and **assess current biomass strategies** and policy frameworks across the EU.
- **Exchange ideas, transfer knowledge** and **build capacities** on biomass strategies and policy options.
- Develop an **operational guideline** for the development and monitoring of balanced national biomass strategies and action plans across the EU.
- Contribute to **national policy processes** for the development and monitoring of biomass strategies and action plans.
- **Communicate and disseminate** methodology and policy proposals to national and international target groups.
Results.

- **Best practice study** including a cross-country and benchmark analysis to assess current biomass strategies across the EU.

- **Operational guideline** for the development and monitoring of balanced national biomass strategies & action plans.

- **National position papers** as a direct contribution to national biomass action plan processes.

- **European position paper** reflecting key conclusions from the best practice report, the guideline and the outcomes of the thematic working groups.
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