

# GMI Biogas Subcommittee Meeting

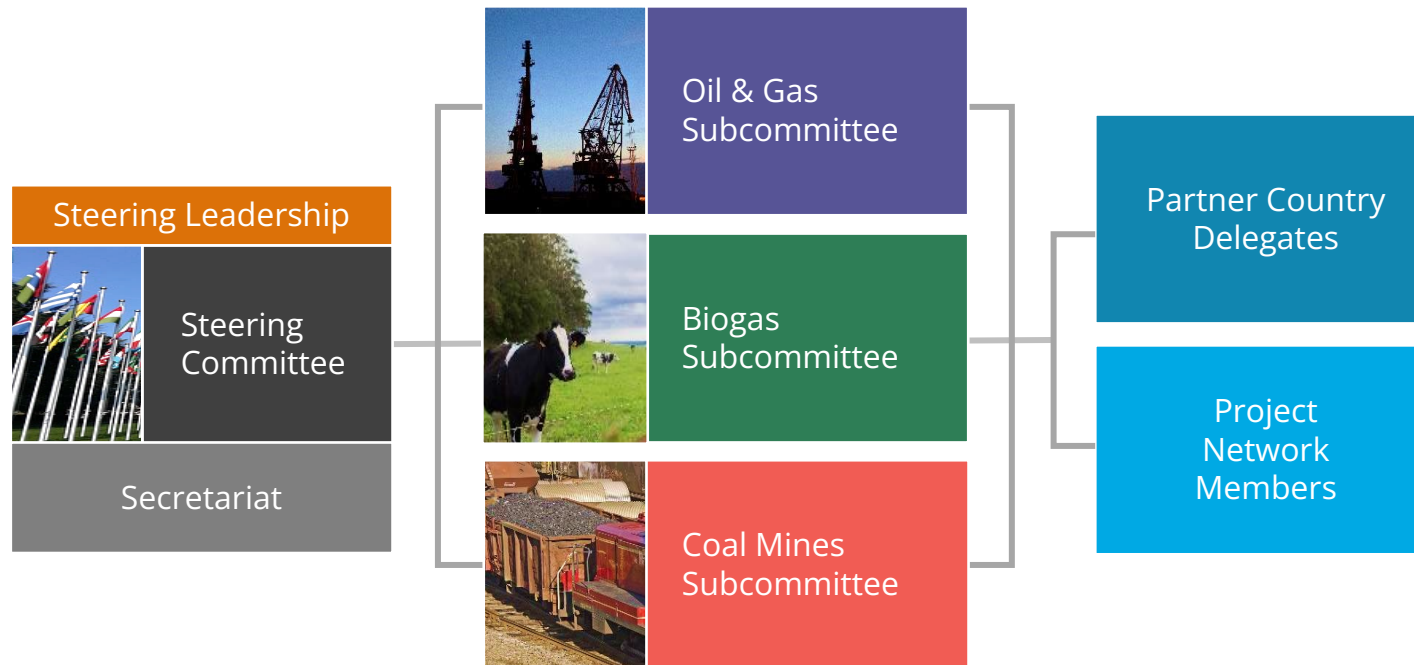
Brasilia, Brazil  
20 March 2025



# GMI Secretariat Updates

# Global Methane Initiative (GMI)

GMI is an international public-private partnership committed to reducing methane emissions and capturing methane as a valuable energy source.



- 49 Partner Countries
- 1,000+ Project Network members
- Alliances with international organizations focused on methane recovery and use



GMI Partner Countries represent approximately 75% of methane emissions from human activities.



# GMI Accomplishments *Since 2004*



Grown from 14 to 49 Partner Countries



More than \$650 million in leveraged funding for projects and training



More than 1,000 Project Network members



Conducted or developed more than 3,500 assessments, pre-feasibility studies, feasibility studies, study tours, reports, guidance, and site visits

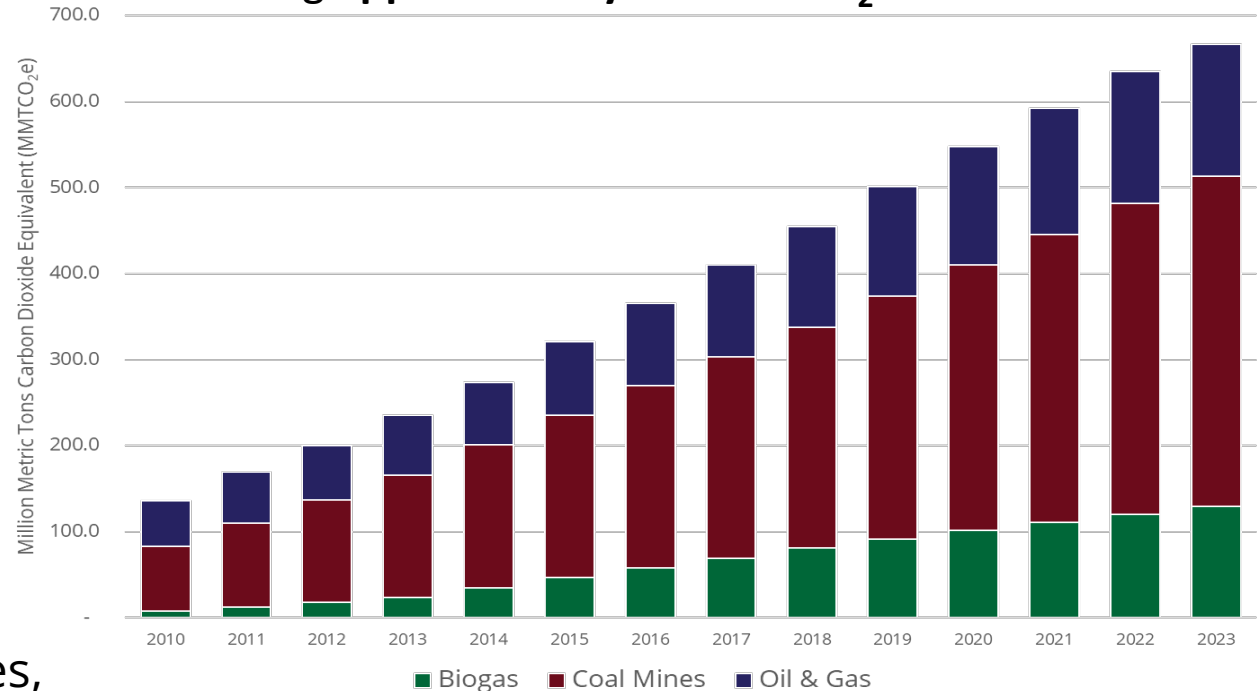


Provided trainings for more than 55,000 people in methane mitigation



Developed more than 60 tools and resources for methane mitigation

Since 2004, GMI has reduced CH<sub>4</sub> by approximately **670 MMTCO<sub>2</sub>e** including **approximately 31 MMTCO<sub>2</sub>e** achieved in 2023\*



670 MMTCO<sub>2</sub>e is approximately equivalent\*\* to the CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from any one of the following:



**285 Billion**  
liters of gasoline  
consumed



**335 Billion**  
kilograms of coal  
burned



**44 Trillion**  
smartphones  
charged

\*Data is preliminary

\*\*[epa.gov/energy/greenhouse-gas-equivalencies-calculator](https://epa.gov/energy/greenhouse-gas-equivalencies-calculator)



# GMI Steering Committee 2024-2025 Priorities

## Promote GMI's successes to foster information sharing and replication

- Promote GMI 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and Accomplishments via web and social media
- Expand availability of information products such as updated Partner Country pages, Case Study Library, Policymaker Framework, and website

## Enhance Engagement across GMI membership and beyond

- Increase Partner Country engagement and collaboration with key strategic partners through bilateral outreach and regional meetings
- Enhance Project Network engagement, including through a new *Find an Expert* feature
- Host informative and engaging Steering and Subcommittee meetings
- Gather input for future GMI Quarterly Newsletters

## Support development of impactful Subcommittee Sprint Action Plans

- Support development of Action Plans that address partner goals and needs

## Begin planning for the next Global Methane Forum

- Explore options for venues and hosts
- Convene 2026 Global Methane Forum Executive Planning Committee and begin planning meetings

## Celebrating 20 Years

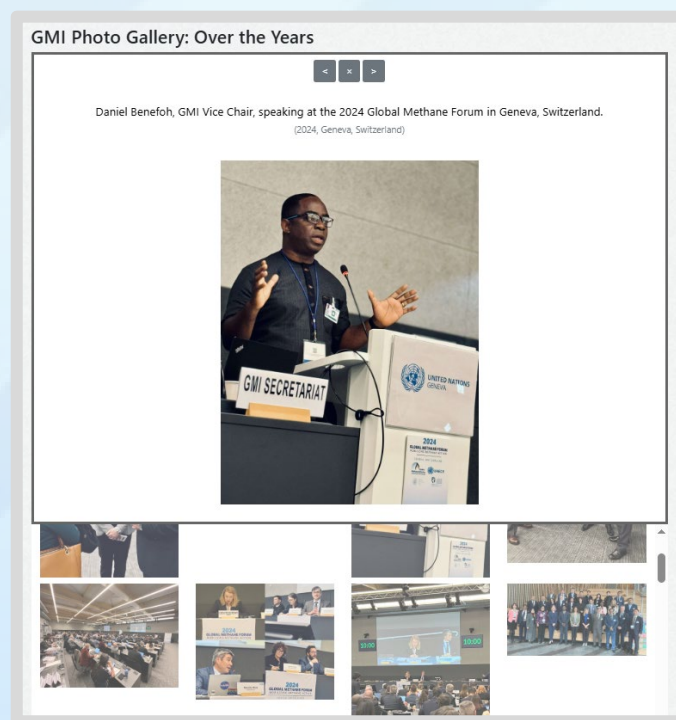
GMI launched a new webpage to showcase accomplishments, Partner Countries, case studies, technical resources, and events!

[globalmethane.org/20years](https://globalmethane.org/20years)



Links to **UPDATED**  
comprehensive Partner  
Country Profiles detailing  
emissions and actions

# Celebrating 20 Years of Methane Action



Includes a GMI Photo  
Gallery with more than  
100 images from the  
past 20 years

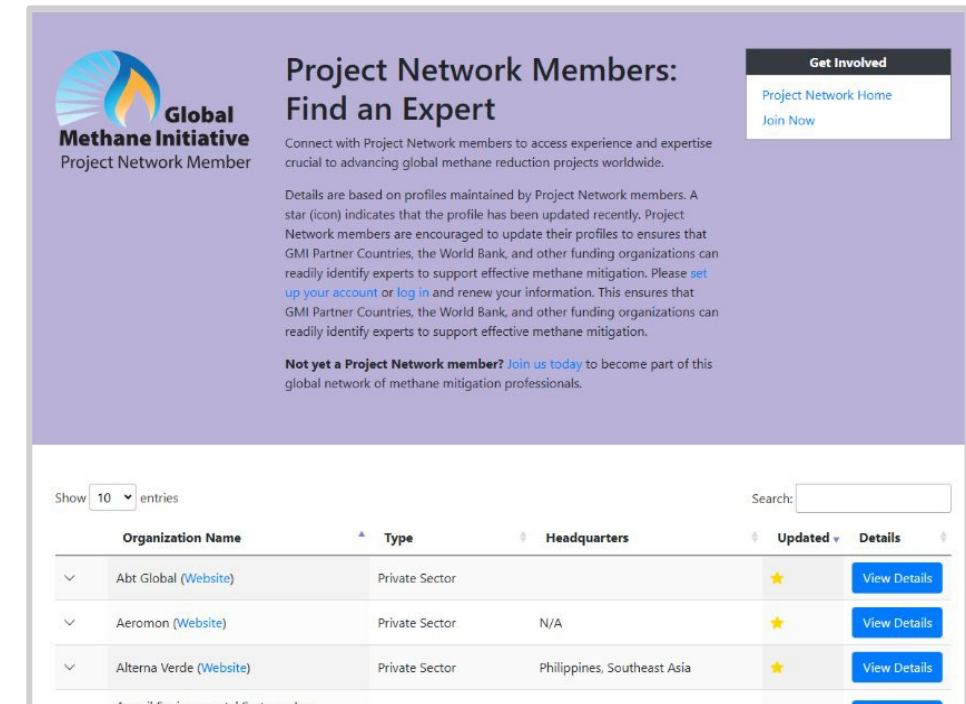
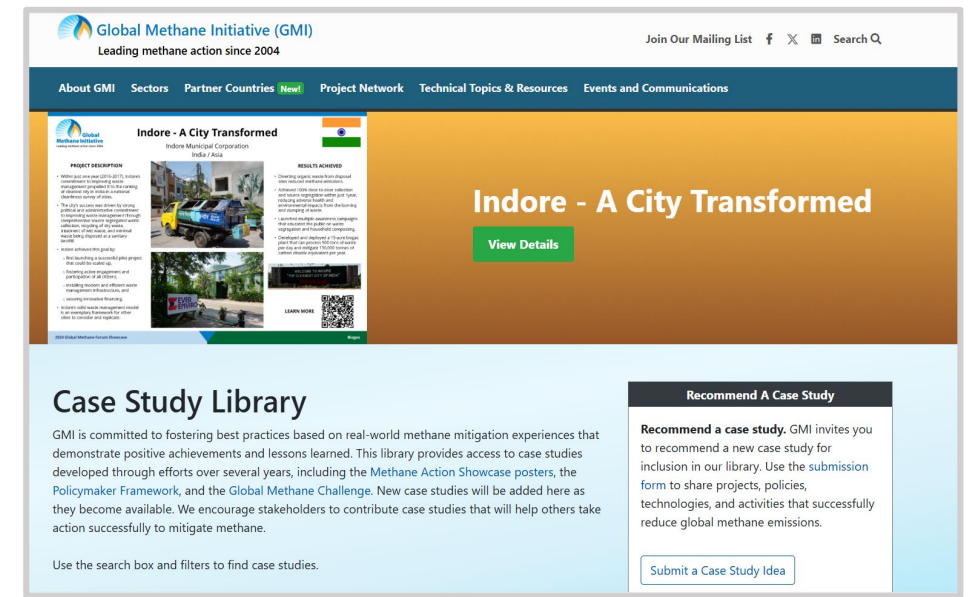
# NEW! GMI Resources

## ■ [Case Study Library](#)

Highlights more than 130 methane mitigation best practices of GMI partners. Case studies can be filtered by sector, topic, and country. Submit an idea for the Case Study library!

## ■ [Project Network Find an Expert Tool](#)

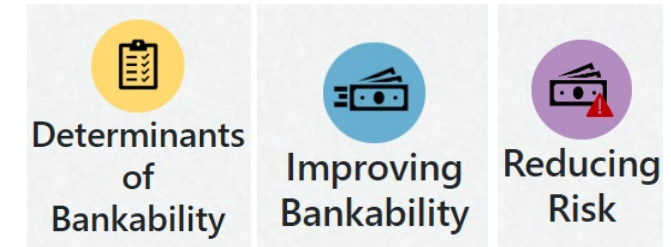
Provides details about expertise of private sector members by sector, type of methane mitigation activities, and geographic experience.



# GMI Financial Readiness Framework for Organic Waste Management



- **What:** The *Framework* provides high-level practical guidance to help stakeholders understand the process for:
  - financing organic waste management projects that reduce methane emissions,
  - mitigating potential investment risks, and
  - improving the bankability of projects.
- **Why:** One of the main obstacles for implementing organic waste management projects is securing financing for capital and operation costs.
- **Where:** Available at [globalmethane.org/frf](https://globalmethane.org/frf)



# GMI Financial Readiness Framework for Organic Waste Management (cont'd)



## ■ How:

- Organizes extensive research of existing resources and consultations with finance experts and implementers into a helpful system to orient key stakeholders.
- Summarizes key steps for financing organic waste management infrastructure. Each step includes:
  - Best practice activities that stakeholders can consider,
  - General and sector-specific resource links that can provide additional guidance and support, and
  - Case study examples of policies and programs from around the world to help countries learn from others' experiences.

## ■ Audience: National and subnational governments, investors, solid waste professionals, project developers



# Summary of Steps in the Financial Readiness Framework

## Framework Steps\*

Framework Steps*	Goal	Resources Examples
1 Develop Project Plan	Define project scope, expected outcomes, and Incorporate bankable project concepts.	<a href="#">Solid Waste Management Toolkit</a>
2 Assess Feasibility	Evaluate financial readiness of involved organizations. Determine project technical and financial feasibility.	<a href="#">Risk Analysis Checklist for Biogas Projects</a>
3 Identify and Select Financing	Identify potential financing sources and instruments and select.	<a href="#">Handbook on Urban Infrastructure Finance</a>
4 Mitigate Risks	Consider regulations, and financial and technical best practices to mitigate risks.	<a href="#">Financing Readiness Questionnaire for Municipal Solid Waste Sector</a>
5 Secure Permits and Approvals	Identify necessary permits and approvals. Plan and submit documentation.	<a href="#">Landfill Gas Project Development Handbook</a>
6 Seek Project Funding/ Finance	Determine project eligibility and develop a high-quality proposal.	<a href="#">Anaerobic Digester/Biogas System Operator Guidebook</a>
7 Structure and Close Financing	Select financial instruments, close financing, and develop a plan for measurement, reporting, and verification (MRV) of results.	<a href="#">GMI's MRV Resource Center</a>

\*The Framework steps may occur concurrently or iteratively, and the numbers do not imply a rigid sequence.

# Waste Characterization Handbook & Excel Tool

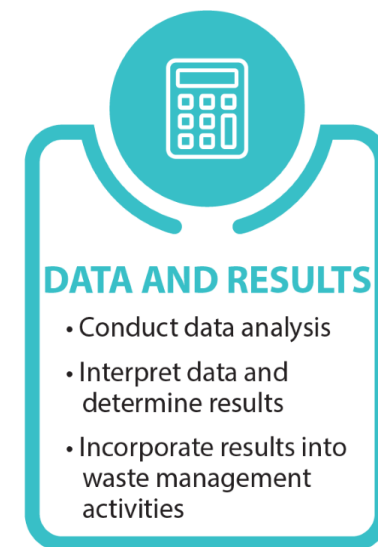
- Handbook for planning and conducting waste characterization studies
  - Resources for study design, field activities, data collection, and analysis for solid waste programs
- Excel-based tool that streamlines data entry and analyzes the composition of waste streams
  - Designed for field use
  - Analyzes material types and amounts



<https://globalmethane.org/resources/details.aspx?resourceid=5399>

# Waste Characterization Handbook & Excel Tool

- The **Handbook** includes recommended activities and resources to:
  - Plan an appropriate study for specific site conditions
  - Conduct field activities to collect the data
  - Analyze the data to help make informed solid waste planning decisions
- **Excel-based tool** that streamlines data entry and analyzes the composition of waste streams
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Visit GMI's Tools and Resources Library to download the Handbook and tool:  
<https://www.globalmethane.org/resources>





# Overview of the Excel Tool

## Waste Characterization Planning and Data Tool

April 2024

Developed by U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

Tool Support: [biogastoolkit@epa.gov](mailto:biogastoolkit@epa.gov).



### Tab

Definitions

Site and Staff Requirements

Supplies

Tare Weights

Sampling Plan & Pre-Sort Weight

Record Sort Data

Data Analysis



# View Results Using the Excel Tool

Table. 1 Waste Weight (kg) and Composition by Waste Type							
Waste Type	Weight (Day 1)	Weight (Day 2)	Weight (Day 3)	Weight (Day 4)	Weight (Day 5)	Total (All Days)	% Composition (All Days)
Organics	365	231	252	253	254	1,355.0	13%
Paper	54	36	46	46	46	228.0	2%
PlasticsDense	104	68	93	93	93	451.0	4%
PlasticsFilms	16	11	11	16	26	80.0	1%
Metals	662	617	642	603	603	3,127.0	31%
Glass	421.5	376.5	401.5	401.5	401.5	2,002.5	20%
Textiles	55	46	51	51	90	293.0	3%
Wood	7	3	3	42	3	58.0	1%
Others	0	13	0	0	0	13.0	0%
Electronics	99	180	290	95	1594	2,258.0	22%
Hazardous	73	64	69	69	71	346.0	3%
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,856.5</b>	<b>1,645.5</b>	<b>1,858.5</b>	<b>1,669.5</b>	<b>3,181.5</b>	<b>10,211.5</b>	<b>100%</b>

Table. 2 Waste Weight (kg) and Composition by Source							
Source	Weight (Day 1)	Weight (Day 2)	Weight (Day 3)	Weight (Day 4)	Weight (Day 5)	Total (All Days)	% Composition (All Days)
Commercial	55.0	50.0	0.0	0.0	63.0	168.0	2%
Industrial (front	180.0	470.5	69.0	3.0	62.0	784.5	8%
Institutional	54.0	0.0	39.0	95.5	2.0	190.5	2%
Public	57.0	0.0	243.0	0.0	7.0	307.0	3%
Residential (multi-family)	73.0	0.0	0.0	115.0	0.0	188.0	2%
Residential (single family)	1,437.5	1,125.0	1,507.5	1,456.0	3,047.5	8,573.5	84%
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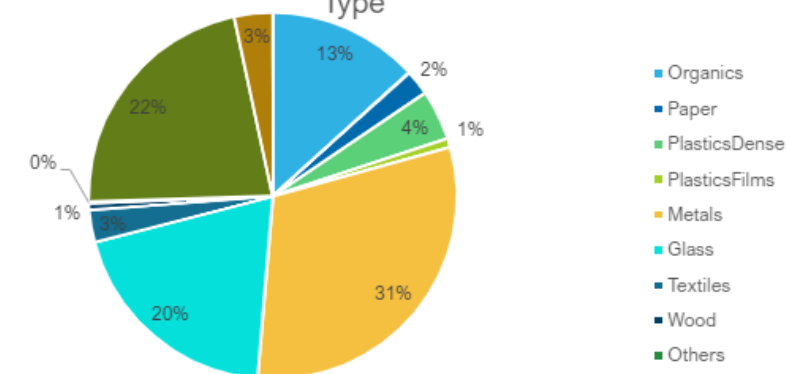
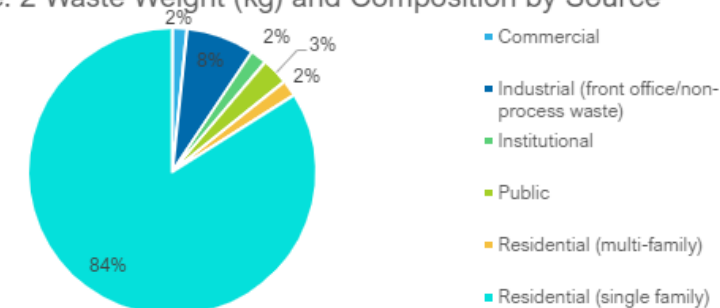
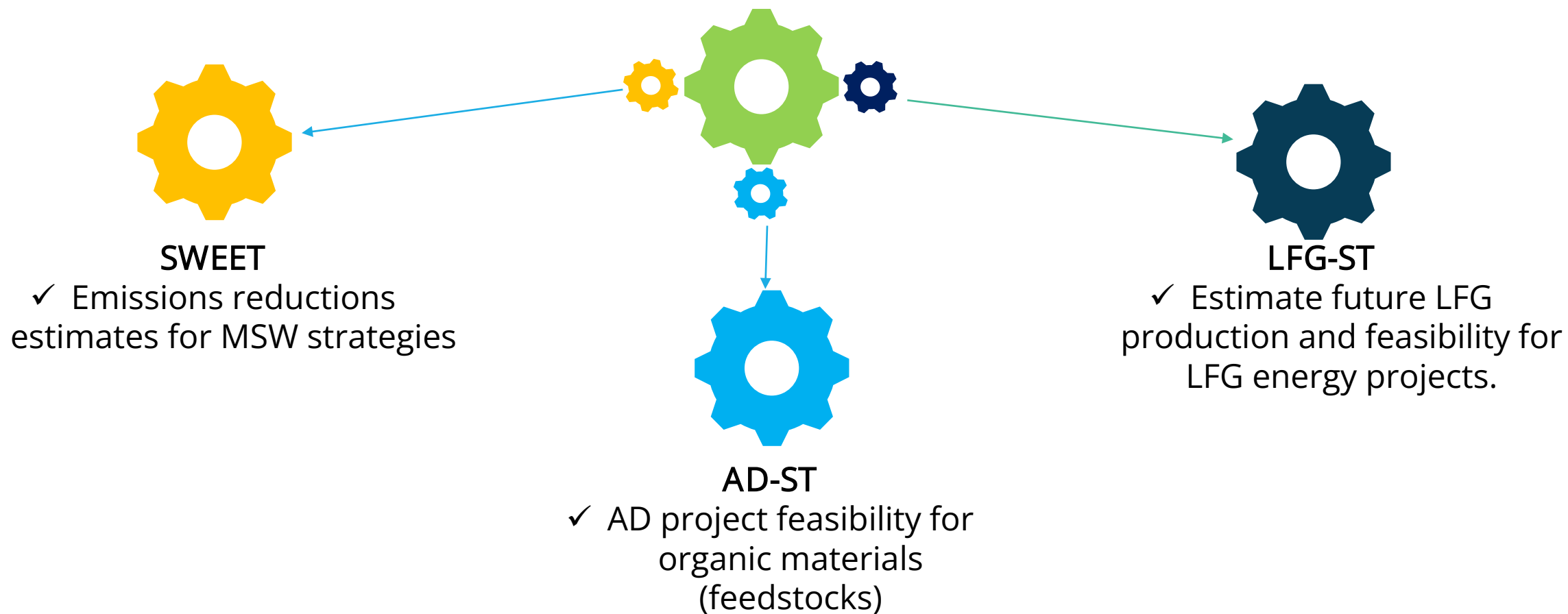


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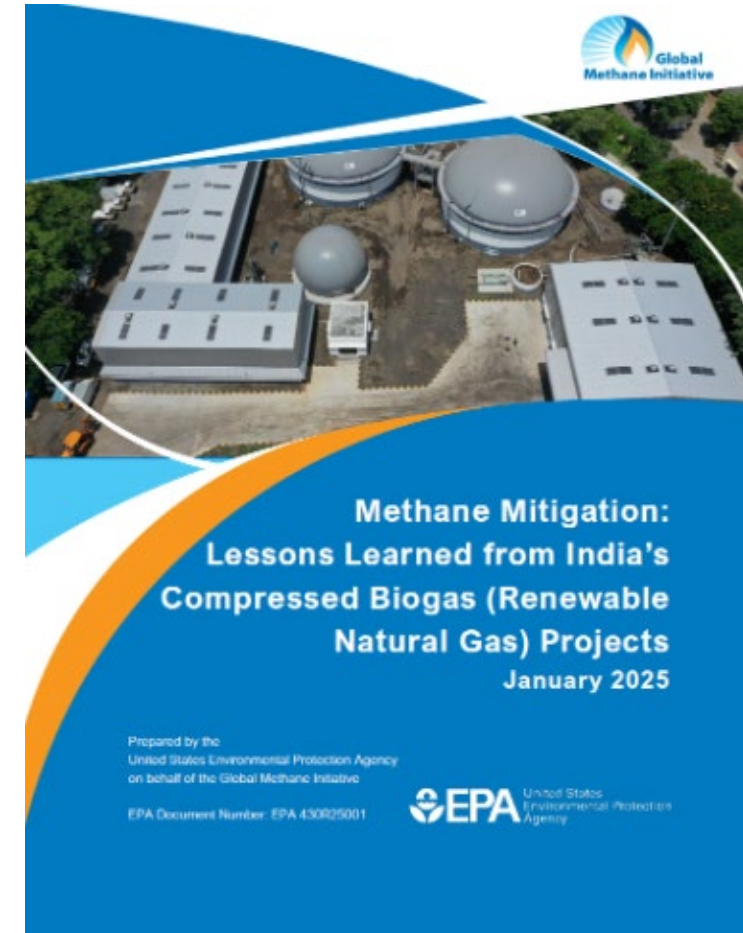
# Using Study Data with Other GMI Resources

## Waste Characterization Tool



# Methane Mitigation: Lessons Learned from India's Compressed Biogas Projects

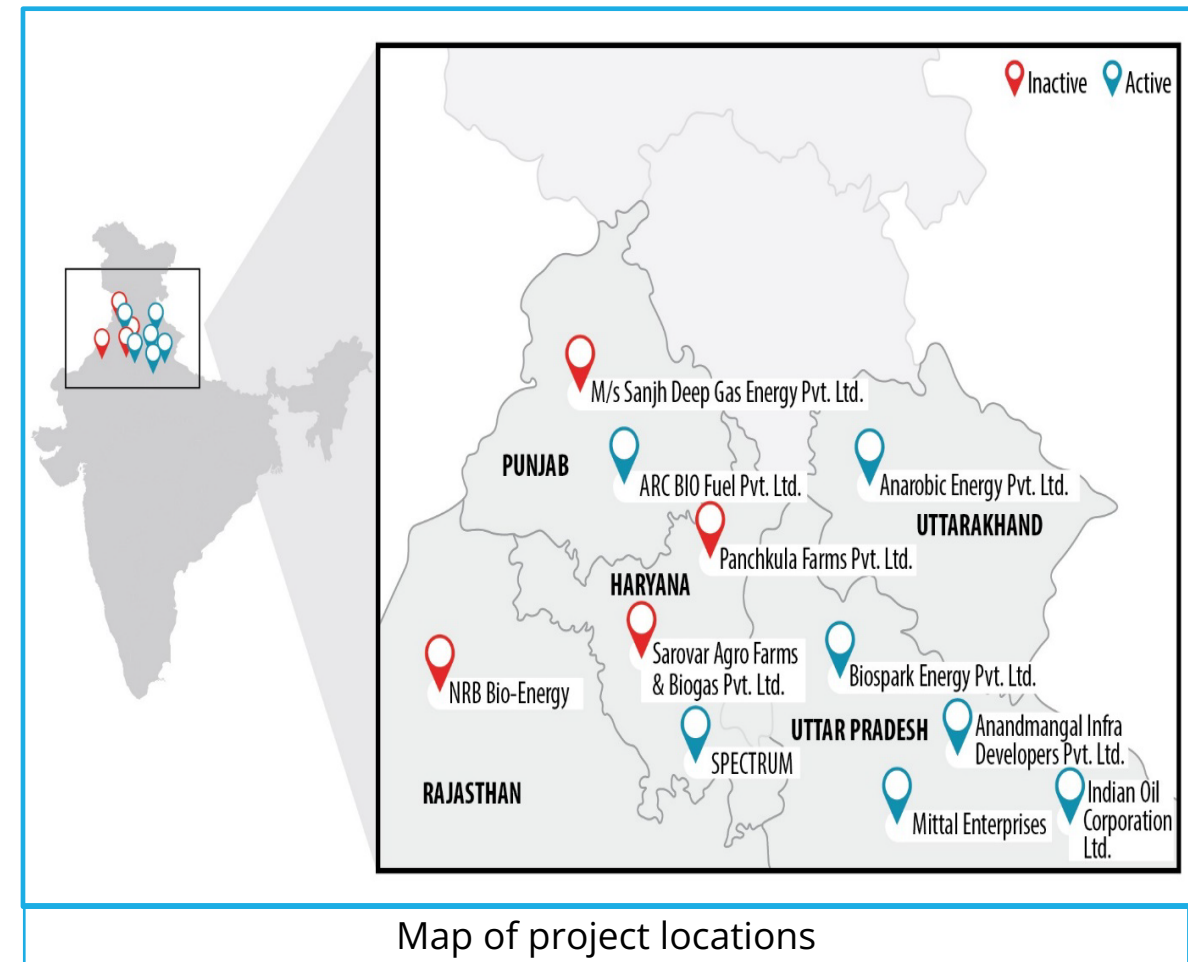
- Assesses facilities in India generating compressed natural gas (CNG) from anaerobic digesters utilizing biogas feedstocks, such as livestock manure and agriculture waste.
- Summarizes the developmental and operational challenges for “Compressed BioGas (CBG)” plants
- Recovering methane from agriculture and food waste and converting it to energy resources is critical to methane mitigation efforts in India and energy security in developing countries



<https://www.globalmethane.org/resources/details.aspx?resourceid=5447>

# Overview of Study

- **11 Compressed Biogas** project sites across five states of northern India
- Qualitative and quantitative data was collected to evaluate factors contributing to success or failures of the plants.
- **Diverse feedstocks analyzed:** press mud, cow dung, poultry litter, sewage sludge and paddy straw.
- **Technology types:**
  - Pressure Swing Adsorption (PSA)
  - Vacuum Pressure Swing Adsorption (VPSA)
  - Membrane Pressure Swing Adsorption (MPSA)
  - Water Scrubbing



# Recommendations for Enhancing Success of Compressed Biogas Projects

## *External to Project*

Standardization of  
Feedstock Agreements

Incentivizing Investment  
and Collaboration

Market Research and  
Product Diversification

Streamlined Permitting  
and Financial Instruments

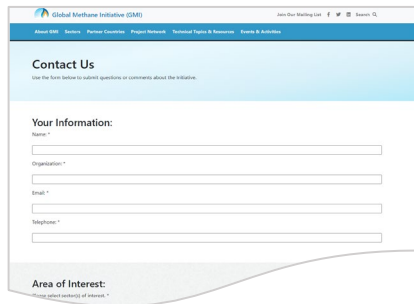
## *Internal to Project*

Capacity Building of  
Operational Staff

Investment in Storage  
Infrastructure – feedstock  
and Bio-CNG

Monitoring and Technical  
Support

# Engage with GMI

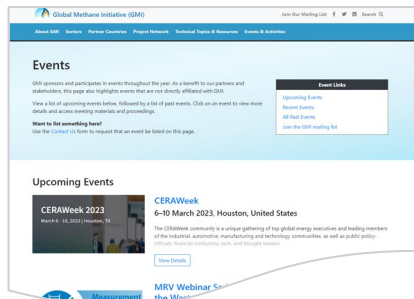


The screenshot shows the 'Contact Us' page of the Global Methane Initiative website. It features a form with fields for Name, Organization, Email, and Telephone. Below these fields is a section for 'Area of Interest' with a dropdown menu. The page also includes a navigation bar at the top with links like 'About GMI', 'Services', 'Partner Countries', 'Project Network', 'Technical Topics & Resources', and 'Events & Activities'.

## Submit a Contact Us Request

Let us know how we can help you:

[globalmethane.org/contact-us/](http://globalmethane.org/contact-us/)



The screenshot shows the 'Events' page of the Global Methane Initiative website. It features a section for 'Upcoming Events' with a list of events, including 'CERWeek 2023' and 'MRV Webinar Series'. The page also includes a navigation bar at the top with links like 'About GMI', 'Services', 'Partner Countries', 'Project Network', 'Technical Topics & Resources', and 'Events & Activities'.

## Share Events or Resources

Recommend items to publish on the GMI website:

[globalmethane.org/resources/recommend.aspx](http://globalmethane.org/resources/recommend.aspx)



The screenshot shows the 'Join the GMI Mailing List' form. It features a form with fields for First Name, Last Name, Organization, and Email Address. The form also includes a section for 'Area of Interest' with a dropdown menu. The page also includes the GMI logo and a brief description of the initiative.

## Join the GMI Mailing List

Receive updates from GMI by joining at:

[eepurl.com/ggwT3T](http://eepurl.com/ggwT3T)

## Follow GMI



[www.linkedin.com/company/global-methane-initiative-gmi-/](http://www.linkedin.com/company/global-methane-initiative-gmi-/)



[www.facebook.com/globalmethane/](http://www.facebook.com/globalmethane/)



# Thank you!

*Questions?  
Ideas for increasing engagement?  
Activities you want to share in GMI's newsletter?*

*Please contact the Secretariat  
at: [secretariat@globalmethane.org](mailto:secretariat@globalmethane.org)*





# *Methane Emission Reduction Challenges and Priorities for Ethiopia*

*Lemesa Hirpe*  
*Ethiopia*

*20 March 2025*  
*Brasilia, Brazil*

# Methane Emission Reduction in Ethiopia

- ❑ *Methane* is one of the most dangerous greenhouse gases and has a significant impact on climate, environment, and public health.
- ❑ *Ethiopia is an active participant* in international efforts to address methane emissions and reach global climate targets.
- ❑ Ethiopia joined the *GMI in 2010, CCAC in 2012, and GMP in 2021* to catalyze action to reduce methane emissions.
- ❑ *Ethiopia supports voluntary actions* to reduce methane emissions by 30% by 2030 compared to baseline levels in 2020.
- ❑ Ethiopia submitted its *NDCs in 2021, aiming at reducing 68.8% of emissions by 2030.*

# Methane Emission Reduction in Ethiopia

- ❑ Ethiopia developed LT-LEDS, which aims to achieve net-zero emissions by 2050.
- ❑ It outlines sectoral priority interventions and suggestions for reducing methane emissions from *agriculture, municipal solid waste, and wastewater sectors*.
- ❑ Ethiopia launched various initiatives that directly support the reduction of methane emissions.
  - *Waste to Energy Initiative*
  - *National biogas program*
  - *Black Soldier Fly - organic waste processing initiative*
  - *Transition to sustainable agricultural practices*
  - *Urban greening development*

# Challenges to Reduce Methane Emissions

*High dependence on  
agriculture and livestock*

*Inadequate manure  
management*

*Lack of National  
Methane Reduction  
Roadmap*

*Lack of financial and  
technical capacity*

*Low public awareness  
and engagement*

*Weak methane emission  
inventory/data*

# Comprehensive Approach Solutions/Priorities

A comprehensive approach solution that aligns with the country's broader development priorities is required to reduce the methane emission in Ethiopia.

- *Development of a national methane roadmap*
- *Financial, technical assistance, and capacity building to address methane emissions*
- *National Methane Emission Inventory*
- *Identifying prioritized mitigation measures*
- *Stakeholder engagement*
- *Policy advocacy and regulatory frameworks*

# Conclusions

- *The Ethiopian government is committed and working to reduce the emission of **short-lived climate pollutants** and other **greenhouse gases**.*
- *The implementation of existing **policies, strategies, and initiatives** is key to reducing methane emissions across various sectors.*
- *The **development partners' technical support** is pivotal to ensure the initiatives and strategies of Ethiopia that enhance tackling the global methane emission.*



***Thank you for your kind  
attention!***





# Recycle Organics Program

Main results and further opportunities in biogas

Gerardo Canales – Program Director



**RECYCLE  
ORGANICS**

Reducing Methane  
From Waste



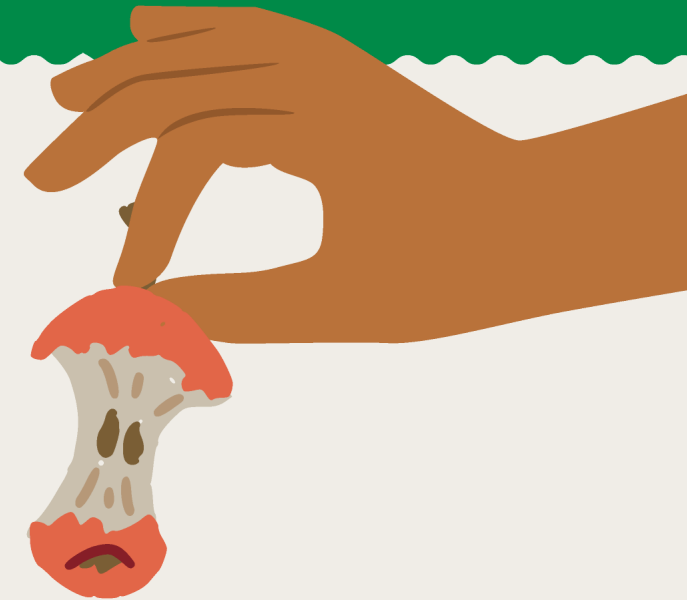
# LEAVE THE CAR AT HOME AND COMPOST

Did you know that composting your organic waste prevents more emissions than leaving your car at home?



**7KG**  
CO<sub>2</sub>e/day

**10KG**  
CO<sub>2</sub>e/day\*



**Source:**  
Recycle Organics adapted from



\*Estimation based on a family of 4, using GWP20 for methane.

# Our mission

The Recycle Organics Program helps countries take meaningful action to cut methane emissions from organic waste, a critical step in tackling climate change.

Led by the Center for Clean Air Policy (CCAP) and ImplementaSur, with 35+ years of experience in the sector, Recycle Organics delivers significant environmental, economic, and social benefits to local communities around the world.



# Together, addressing methane mitigation in the waste sector for over 8 years



## Latin America



## Caribbean



## Asia, Africa and Oceania



# 25 BENEFICIARY COUNTRIES

# Our work



Advancing Policy Frameworks



Accelerating Project Development



Climate Finance



South-to-south Learning



Capacity Building and Knowledge Sharing



Tracking and Monitoring with MRV frameworks



# Accelerate the implementation of methane mitigation projects

We provide technical assistance to support the structuring of country-tailored projects for the prevention of waste generation and various technologies for waste valorization, such as composting, anaerobic digestion and landfill gas capture, among others.

We evaluate the effort required for project implementation, in terms of addressing both the associated costs and the barriers that need to be overcome for successful implementation.



# Accelerate the implementation of methane mitigation projects: Biogas

- Technical assistance: technical and economic assessment, including analysis of business models and estimation of emission reduction potential.
  - Anaerobic Digestion: From large scale projects to household projects (modular equipment).  
Feedstock: urban solid waste and agro-industrial waste such as pig manure.
  - Landfill gas capture and recovery:  
Consideration of different business models such as electricity and heat production, direct sale of biogas, active flaring and financing with carbon markets.



True Blue Bay Hotel, Grenada, 2023  
In 2025 we had a training session for the workers



# Technical Assistance in Anaerobic Digestion

## \*Prefeasibility studies



**Sir Arthur's Community College Modular Anaerobic Systems, Saint Lucia**  
 Treatment Capacity: 440 TPY  
 CAPEX: 10,300 USD  
 Mitigation reduction potential: 6,000 tonCO<sub>2</sub>e



**MNRE Modular Anaerobic Digestion Systems, Samoa**  
 Treatment Capacity: 540 TPY  
 CAPEX: 41,500 USD  
 Mitigation reduction potential: 9,000 tonCO<sub>2</sub>e



**Central de Abastos Anaerobic Digestion Plant, México**  
 Treatment Capacity: 54,750 TPY  
 CAPEX: 7 MMUSD  
 Mitigation reduction potential: 172,000 tonCO<sub>2</sub>e

## Learnings

**Business model observations:** In large-scale projects: savings from diversion of final disposal, valorization of digestate and biogas, increased revenues from marketing or savings from consumption. In small scale: savings from cooking gas consumption, potential electricity generation with small generators and use of digestate as fertilizer.

**Barriers:** A buyer of biogas/heat/electricity/digestate is required. High technical expertise is required for operation and maintenance.

**Complementary actions:** analysis of digestate quality as soil fertilizer, incentives for OW source separation.





# Technical Assistance in Landfill Gas Capture and Valorization Project

\*Prefeasibility studies



**Benito Juárez's landfill gas capture system, Mexico**

Treatment Capacity: 76,360 TPY

CAPEX: 5 MMUSD

Mitigation reduction potential: 430,000 tonCO<sub>2</sub>e

**Puerto Varas' landfill gas capture system, Chile**

Treatment Capacity: 315,000 TPY

CAPEX: 2.3 MMUSD

Mitigation reduction potential: 925,000 tonCO<sub>2</sub>e

**Gas Capture System for the Expansion of Felipe Cardoso's Landfill, Uruguay**

Treatment Capacity: 335,000 TPY

CAPEX: 7 MMUSD

Mitigation reduction potential: 1.2 MMtonCO<sub>2</sub>e

**Gas Capture System for the Parque Tecnológico Ambiental Aczarrí, Costa Rica**

Treatment Capacity: 770,000 TPY

CAPEX: 4.5 MMUSD

Mitigation reduction potential: 4.1 MMtonCO<sub>2</sub>e

## Learnings

**Business model considerations:** Costs depend on the local context, making it difficult to provide general estimations. Revenues from biogas valorization, increased income from sales, or savings from self-consumption. To generate electricity, a minimum disposal of 500 tons per day is required in average, with a useful life of at least 10 years.

**Barriers:** High technical expertise is required. Higher costs may require a disposal tariff increase.

**Complementary actions:** incentives to implement carbon markets, incentives for the use of renewable energies, simplifying the processes for selling energy or injecting natural gas into the grid, stricter regulation on % capture and destruction.



# Other examples



**Rincón de Albano,  
Uruguay**  
23,725 ton/year  
Feedstock: Dairy industry  
waste  
*Image source: Biovalor*



**Ecoparque do Caju,  
RJ, Brasil**  
3,600 ton/year  
Feedstock: Urban Solid  
Waste  
*Image source: Instituto Pólis*



**Santa Marta landfill,  
Chile**  
2,800 ton/day  
4 MW  
*Image source: Recycle Organics*



**Huaycoloro Landfill,  
Perú**  
3,500 ton/day  
4.4 MW  
*Image source: Petramás*



**Rincón Blanco,  
Uruguay**  
25,695 ton/year  
Feedstock: Dairy industry  
waste  
*Image source: Biovalor*



**BioE Molina, Chile**  
36,500 ton/year  
Feedstock: Agricultural and  
municipal waste  
*Image source: Micor.cl*



**KDM Loma los  
Colorados Landfill,  
Chile**  
6,000 ton/day  
12 MW  
*Image source: Unicarbo.com*



**CRVR Minas do Leão  
Landfill, Brasil**  
2,750 ton/day  
8.5 MW  
*Image source: CRVR*

# Development of enabling policy frameworks to ensure long-term impact

Country-tailored support based on national context and specific needs. We have worked with countries with different political structures and maturity in waste management.

Collaboration agreements with national governments and strategic alliances with local governments to achieve program endorsement.

Collaboration with regional development agencies

Support in the development of public policies, such as strategies, regulations and draft legislation.



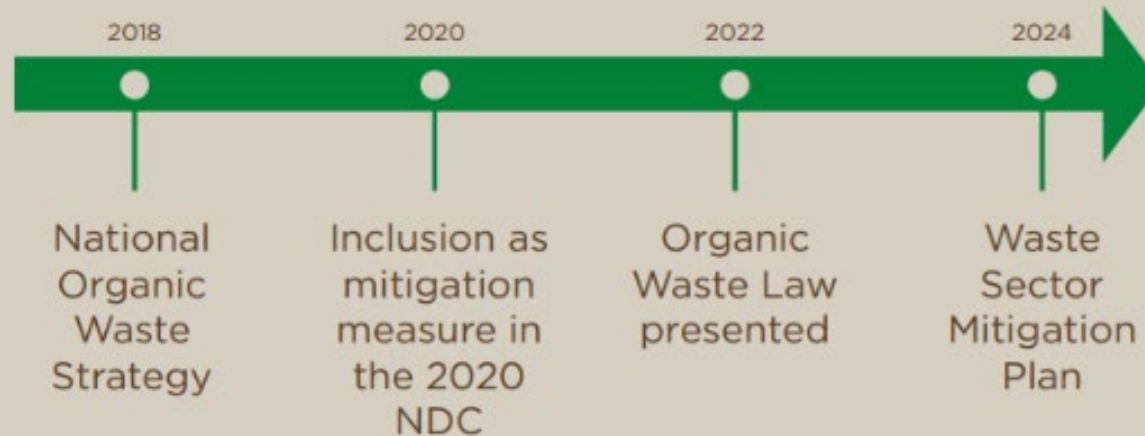




## Case Study:

### Advancing organic waste policy in Chile

Since 2017, the program has played a key role in integrating organic waste into the country's policy agenda, providing expert technical assistance to support:



# Development of enabling policy frameworks to ensure long-term impact – Chile example

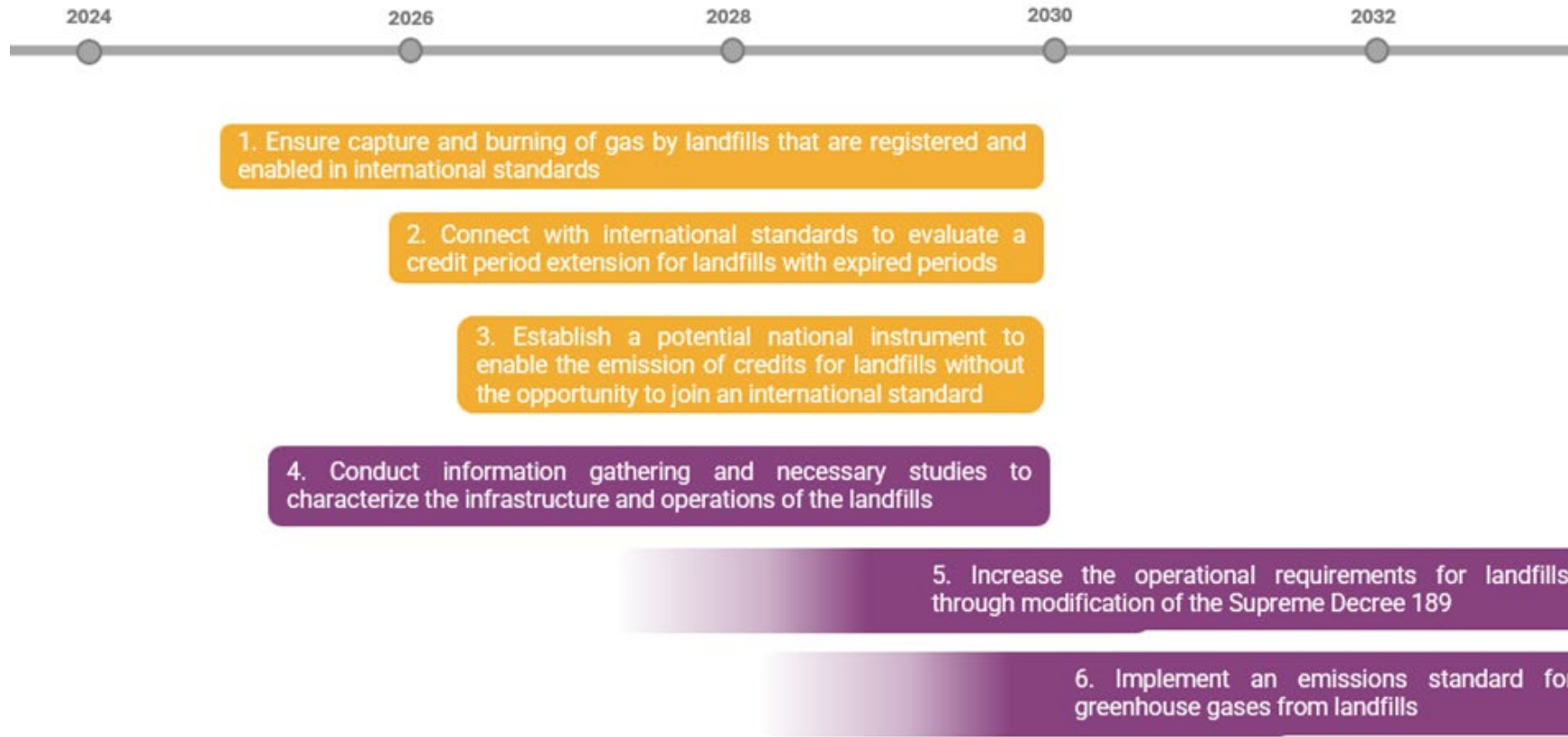
## Recommendations for the Waste Sector Mitigation Plan for Chile:

- Regulations to ensure capture and burning (Regulatory measure)
- In the meantime, align with international standards to assess carbon market eligibility or establish a potential national instrument (Market measure)
- Improve data collection and MRV systems
- Increase operational requirements
- Implement an emissions standard for GHG from landfills
- Local capacity-building for biogas project implementation
- Promote the development of the digestate market





# Development of enabling policy frameworks to ensure long-term impact – Chile example



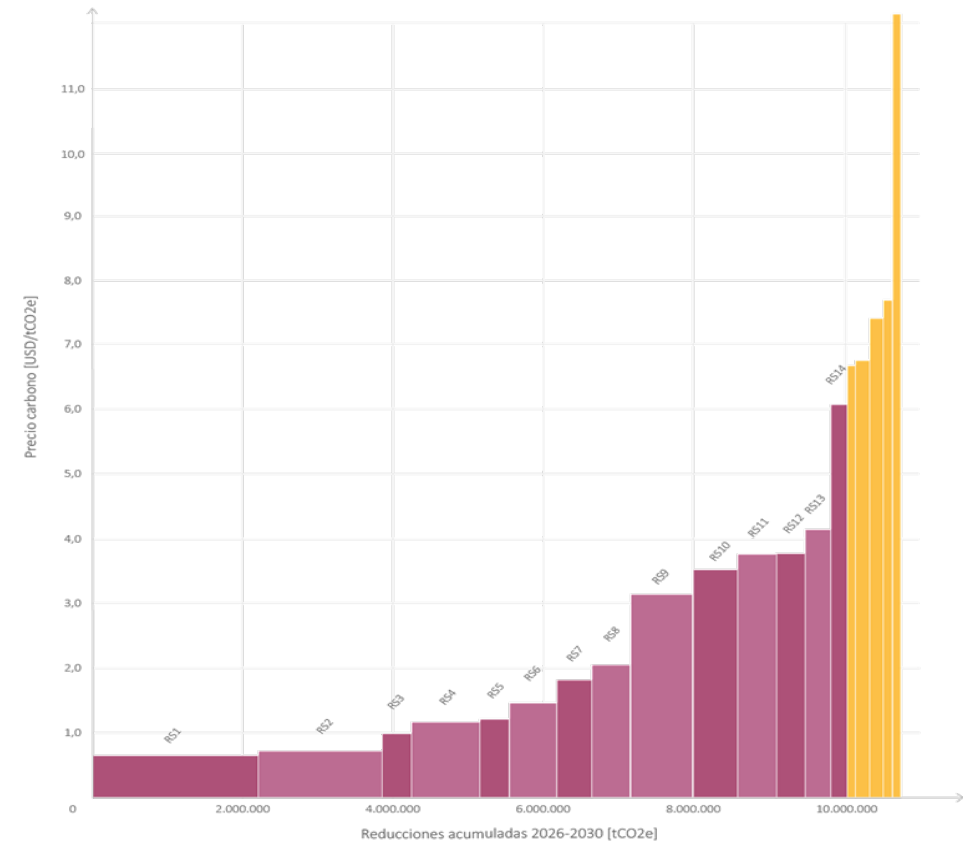
“A roadmap was developed for enabling a carbon market that could accelerate mitigation actions in the short term, and complementary regulatory measures to secure a paradigm shift in the long term without risking not achieving national climate goals. This has helped the Government make decisions towards Article 6 assessments and prioritize efforts in landfills with greater impact opportunities.”

# Recommendations' economic assessment for the Waste Sector Mitigation Plan for Chile

MACC obtained from the model for the 19 most cost-efficient landfills

- Purple bars: Represent landfills that would meet the SMP target by 2030 if they capture and burn 100% of their potential.
- Yellow bars: Indicate less cost-efficient landfills, requiring higher carbon prices to be profitable and not contributing under market measures alone

It is important to note that each landfill has unique characteristics, resulting in different indicators, which makes equitable comparisons challenging



# Knowledge sharing and capacity building

We encourage knowledge sharing and south-south collaboration, scaling up, replicating, and creating synergies between projects and policies in the region.

We develop:

- Knowledge products that are shared online in our website, such as public policy recommendations,
- Case studies
- Manuals and educational material

We are the coordinators of the MetLAC Community of Practice (\*). It was launched in 2023, with the purpose of promoting and supporting the development of public policies, business models and investment projects to reduce methane emissions from organic sources in 12 countries around Latin America and the Caribbean.



(\*) More details: <https://www.ledslac.org/en/comunidades-de-practica/metano/>





**WEBINAR:**

# HOW TO INCENTIVIZE SEPARATION AT THE SOURCE

**Successful Strategies for Managing Organic Waste**

**Myrna Julien**  
Communications Manager,  
Grenada Solid Waste  
Management Authority (GSWMA)

**Tiago Lacerda**  
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- +4 International workshops
- +10 Webinars
- +15 Training sessions
- +4 Knowledge products

Free material on our website and social media

WEBINAR:  
**HOW TO INCENTIVIZE SEPARATION AT THE SOURCE**  
Successful Strategies for Managing Organic Waste

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# Opportunities to expand our work



Scale up and multiply the already existing successful cases in the global south



Provide technical assistance to national and local governments to identify and evaluate projects and business models



Develop MRV protocols for monitoring emission reduction projects



Transform NDC targets into concrete investment sectoral plans.



Support finance leverage to increase investments



Improve capacities and promote knowledge exchange

Between 2017 and 2025, the Recycle Organics Program has managed more than 12 projects worth more than \$13.5 million in funding.

Between 2025 and 2026, the Program aims to raise \$2.5 million to expand the Program with \$300,000 already raised from the CCAC for implementation in Paraguay. In addition, the Program is looking for funding to implement the identified project portfolios and expand existing methane mitigation programs to maximize the opportunities already invested in partner countries.



[www.recycleorganics.org/](http://www.recycleorganics.org/)

Strategic Partners:



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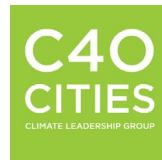
## 2025 Climate and Clean Air Conference

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# About World Biogas Association

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- ❑ Founded in 2016 by national associations from the UK, USA and Italy and 20 founding company members
- ❑ Now represents over **100 organisations**, including national associations, from all over the world
- ❑ WBA is an accredited member of **UNFCCC** and **REN21**, an official partner of the **CCAC** (the Secretariat for delivery of the **Global Methane Pledge**) and **GMI**, a founding member of the **Global Biofuels Alliance**, and an Observer Party of the **Global Bioenergy Partnership** and **CTCN**
- ❑ WBA works closely with the IEA, UNIDO, FAO, EU Commission, C40 Cities Network, Itaipu and others





# Some of our Members and partners...







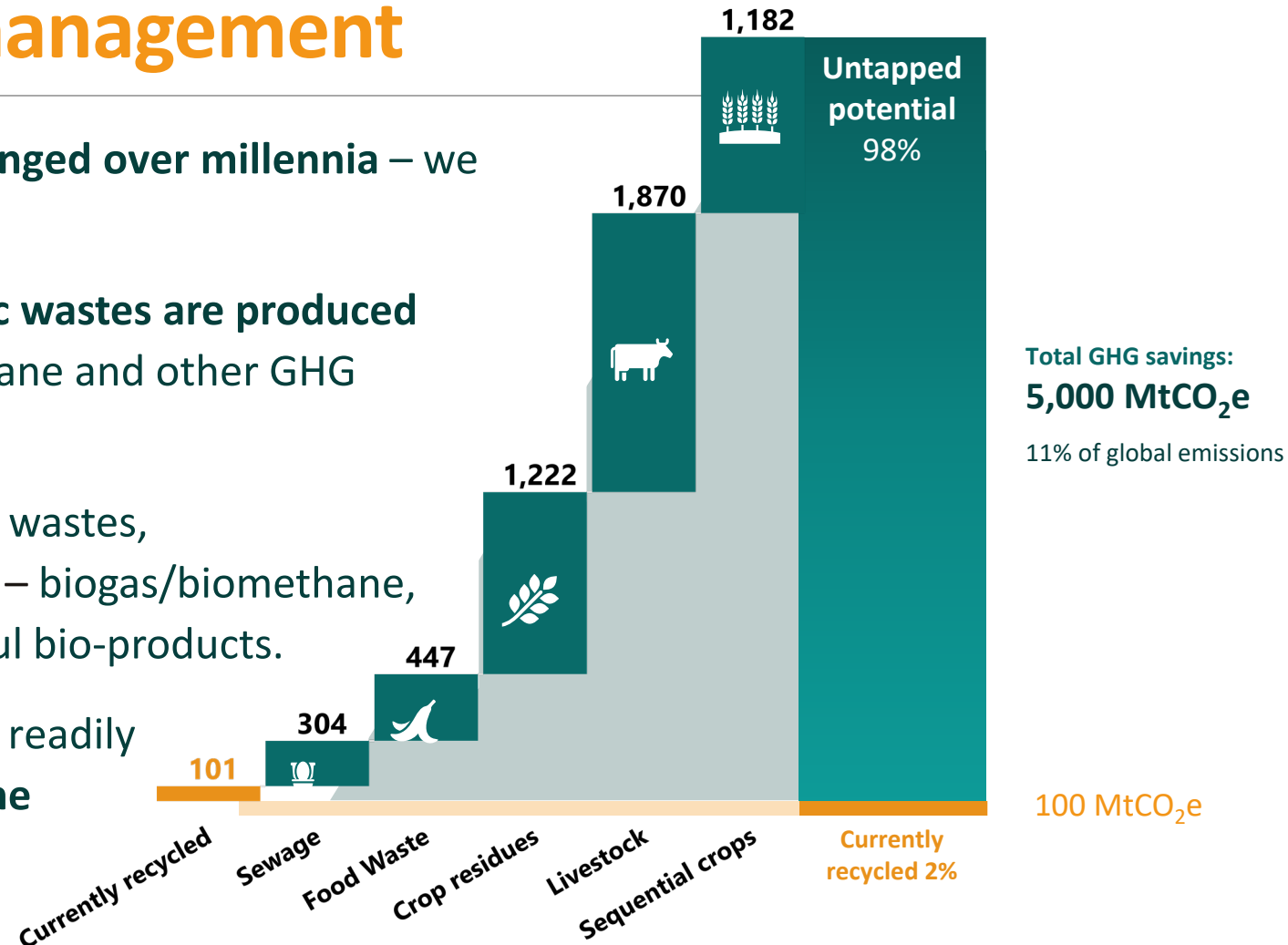
# A new era for waste management

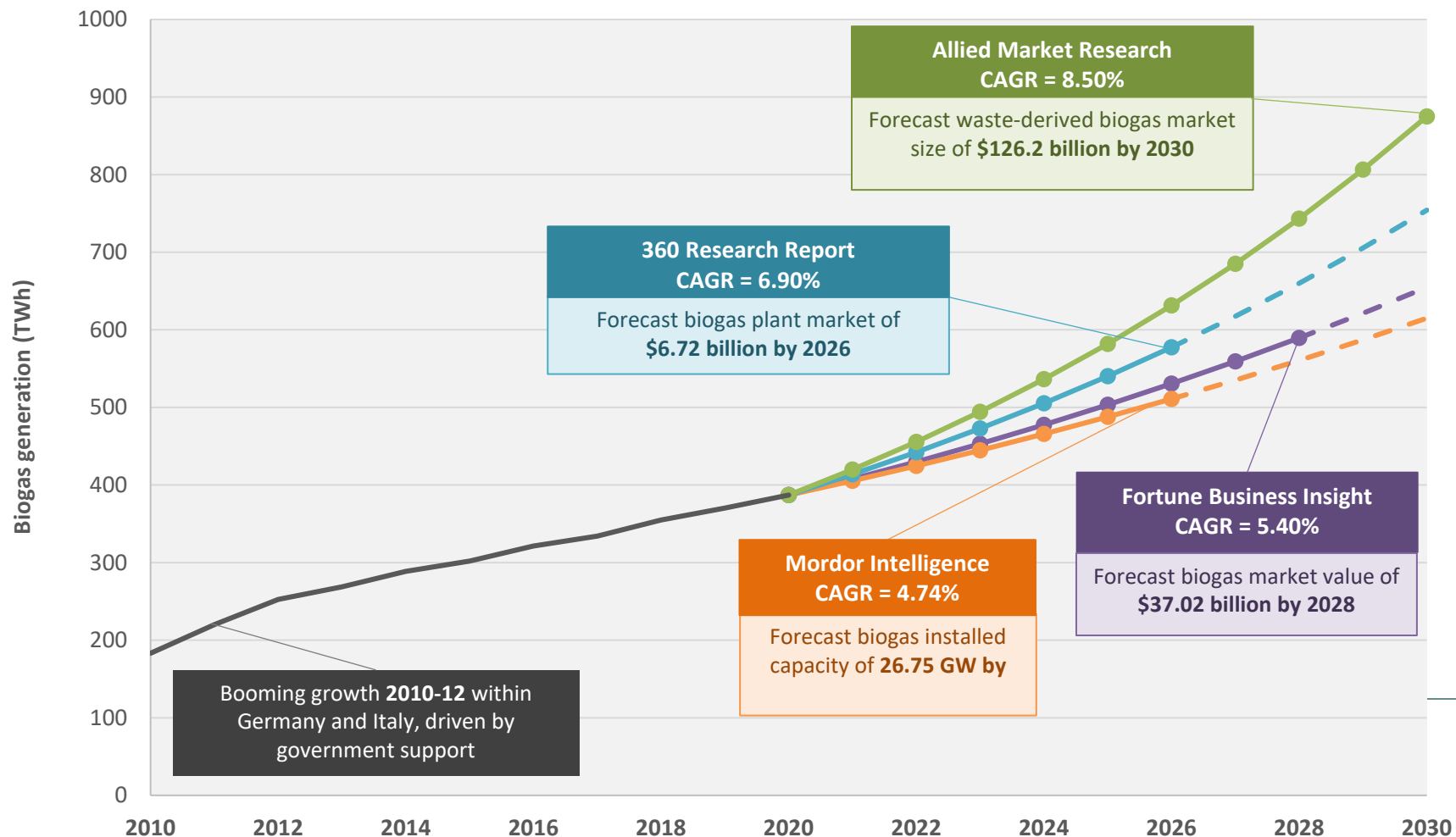
Waste management systems haven't changed over millennia – we still either landfill, burn or bury it.

Every year, over **105 billion tons of organic wastes** are produced **globally**, which, if not recycled, emit methane and other GHG emissions – **98% are not recycled**.

**Anaerobic Digestion (AD)** recycles organic wastes, **turning a problem into valuable products** – biogas/biomethane, bio-CO<sub>2</sub>, natural fertilisers, and other useful bio-products.

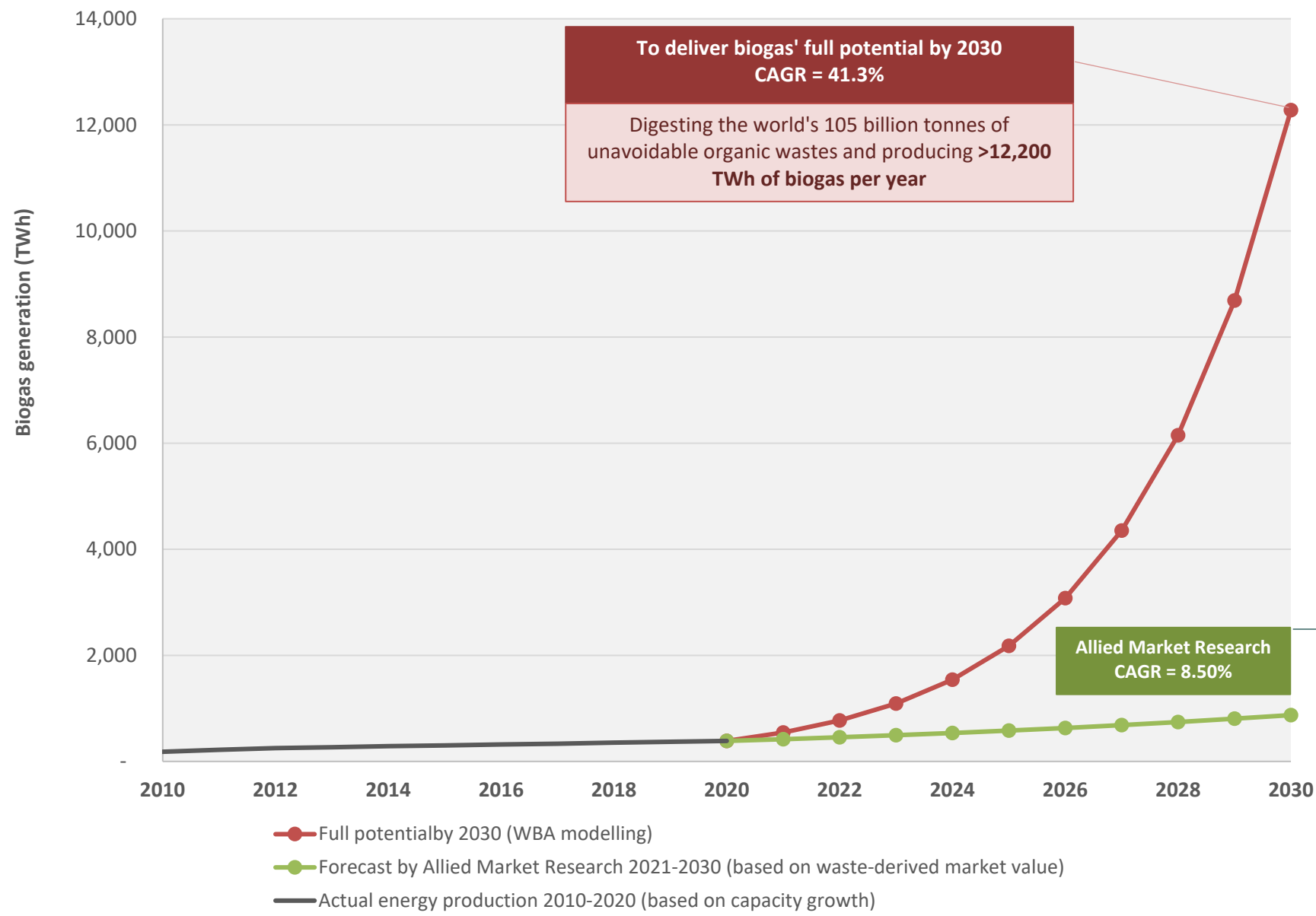
By recycling those organic wastes that are readily available, it is possible to **deliver 50% of the Global Methane Pledge** and cut global GHG emissions by 11% **by 2030**.





- Forecast by Fortune Business Insight 2020-28 (based on total market value)
- Forecast by Mordor Intelligence 2020-26 (based on installed capacity)
- Forecast by 360 Research Report 2021-2026 (based on total plant value)
- Forecast by Allied Market Research 2021-2030 (based on waste-derived market value)
- Actual energy production 2010-2020 (based on capacity growth)

## Forecast Market Growth



**Market growth  
required to deliver the  
Global Methane Pledge**

## The challenge?

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*How can we build **hundreds of thousands** of high-performing biogas plants and related infrastructure **by 2030?***

# #MakingBiogasHappen Programme

Model Global Biogas Regulatory Framework & International AD Certification Scheme

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## Phase 1: Feb 2024 – Jan 2025

Funded by the **Global Methane Hub** with additional support from **Total Energies** and **GHD**.

Key Elements:

- ❑ **Policy Guidance:** Recommendations for local and national governments to encourage investment.
- ❑ **Regulations:** Necessary Standards and Regulations
- ❑ Minimum **health and safety standards** for biogas plants
- ❑ Transformative process for securing a **permit in 4 months**
- ❑ **Standardised LCA** to link to carbon markets





# #MakingBiogasHappen Programme

## Model Global Biogas Regulatory Framework & International AD Certification Scheme

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### Global Biogas Regulatory Framework:

Development of a framework with all the policies, standards and regulations needed to **support, implement, standardise, and monitor** a high-performing biogas industry at the national level.

### Nine pillars:

- International and National Policy
- Feedstock Policy
- Biogas Utilisation
- Digestate Policy
- Gas Quality Regulations
- Technical and Operational Quality standards
- Permitting Regulations
- Planning Policy
- Health, Safety and Environmental Protection

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### International AD Certification Scheme:

Development of a standardised international biogas certification scheme and a

**standardised Life Cycle Assessment**

**Methodology for Biogas plants to link to carbon markets.** An independently audited scheme.



### Eleven Modules:

- Site information and understanding
- Managing health and safety risk
- Staff training
- Process monitoring
- Maintenance of the plant, kit and infrastructure
- Procuring services
- Managing environmental risks
- Cross contamination regulations compliance
- Digestate management
- Biomethane process
- Life cycle assessment



# #MakingBiogasHappen Programme – Phase 2

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## Global Outreach and Dissemination

- Awareness Raising, Training Workshops, Webinars, Social Media

## Roll-out at the Country level (India and Brazil)

- Strategic Partnerships (Gov. Ministries, States, PSUs, Industry Associations, Industry Leaders, Partners, Networks)
- Preparation of Biogas Roadmap / Action Plans at the National / State / City Level
- Adapting and Customising Key Elements of GBRF and ADCS to National/State Biogas Ecosystem
- Technology Benchmarking, Standards, and ADCS Certification
- Advisory Services, Resource Mobilisation, and Capacity Building



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