

# Global WtERT Congress 2023 November 6th - 8th, 2023

"Global cooperation to promote Waste-to-Energy technologies for a circular economy society"

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**Reassessment of Waste Incineration Plants in Public Communication** in the EU

Werner Bauer Vice President GWC







"The Global WtERT Council and the WtERT-China hosted at Zhejiang University will host the Global WtERT Congress to bring scientists and scholar from academia, engineers from industry, and policy makers from around the world to advance the Waste-to-Energy technologies in order to **slash methane emissions in waste sector to curb climate change**.



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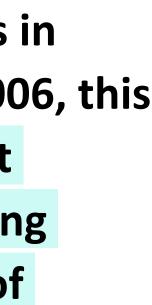




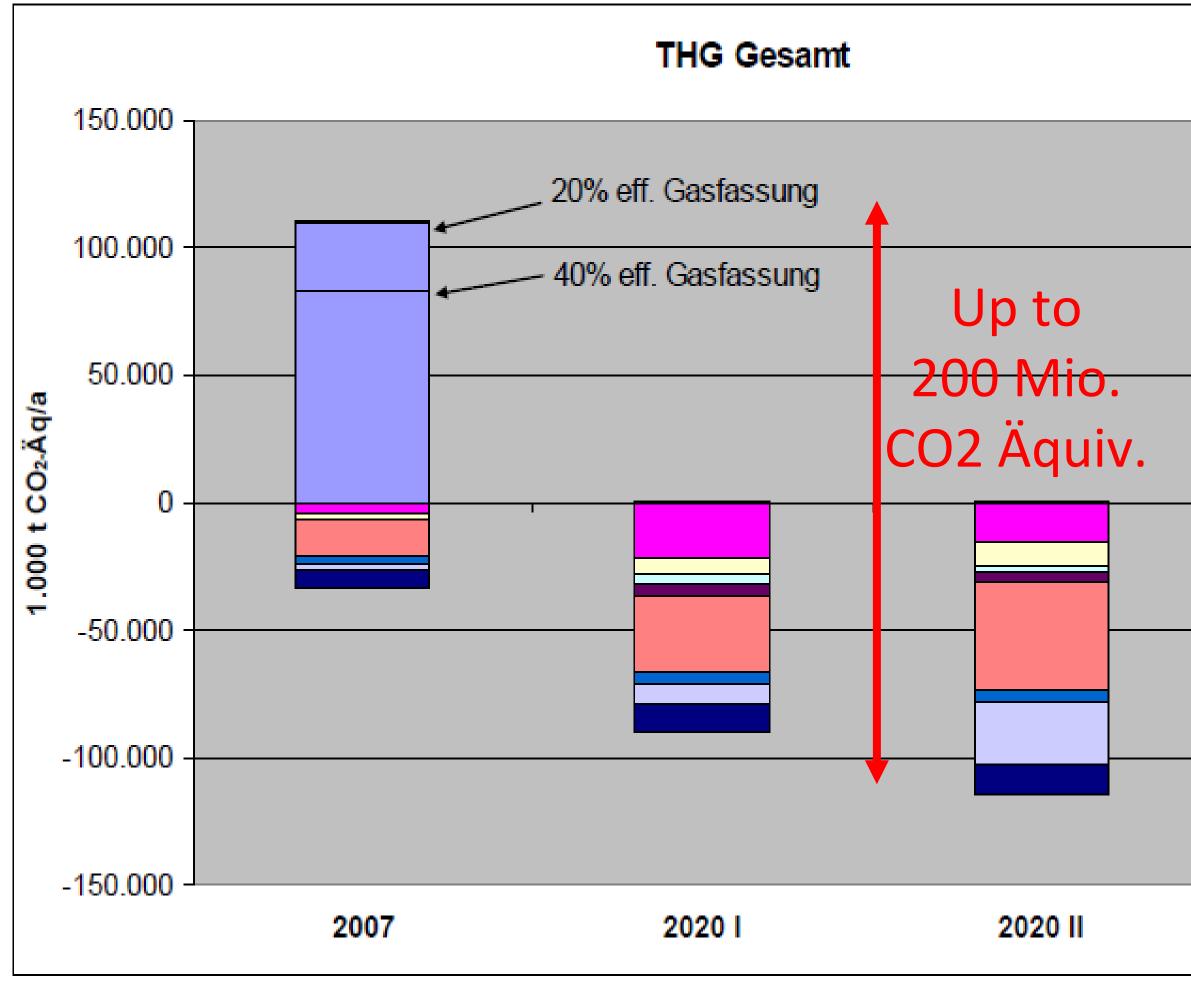
# **Priority measures Germany:**

The press release No. 01/2010 of the Federal Environment Agency (UBA) on the presentation of the joint study by BMU, UBA and the Federal Association of the German Waste Management Industry (BDE) sums up the findings on the contribution of the German waste management sector to climate protection as follows:

"The original burden on the climate from waste management activities in Germany in 1990 was around 38 million tons of CO2 equivalents. By 2006, this had changed into a relief of about 18 million tons. Thus, by phasing out landfilling of untreated municipal waste, emissions of climate-dam-aging gases by the waste management sector have been reduced by a total of around 56 million tons."



# ... Europe starts to become aware, that a sustainable waste management has some good answers to Climate Change



Overall results of the greenhouse gas balance for EU 27

- Altholz
- □ Kunstst., Verp.
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- Grünabfall
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- Müllkomp.
- □ M(B)An
- MVA
- Deponie

The joint study\*) published six months later by the Öko-Institute and the IFEU Institute on behalf of the UBA and the **BDE comes to the following conclusions:** 

"In the EU 27 the situation is different, as EUwide about 40% of waste is still landfilled. The landfills cause considerable methane emissions -50 million and 80 million t CO2-eq per year. Therefore, there is still considerable climate protection potential to be realized in the EU, in the order of 140 million to about 200 million t CO2-eq per year, through the high-quality material and energy use of waste instead of landfilling it."









### UBA President Jochen Flasbarth also addressed the "disappointing results of the climate conference in Copenhagen" when presenting the study in January 2010. Since the other climate conferences as well as multi- and binational talks on closing landfills probably also brought few results, international waste policy concentrated on the further development of the circular economy.

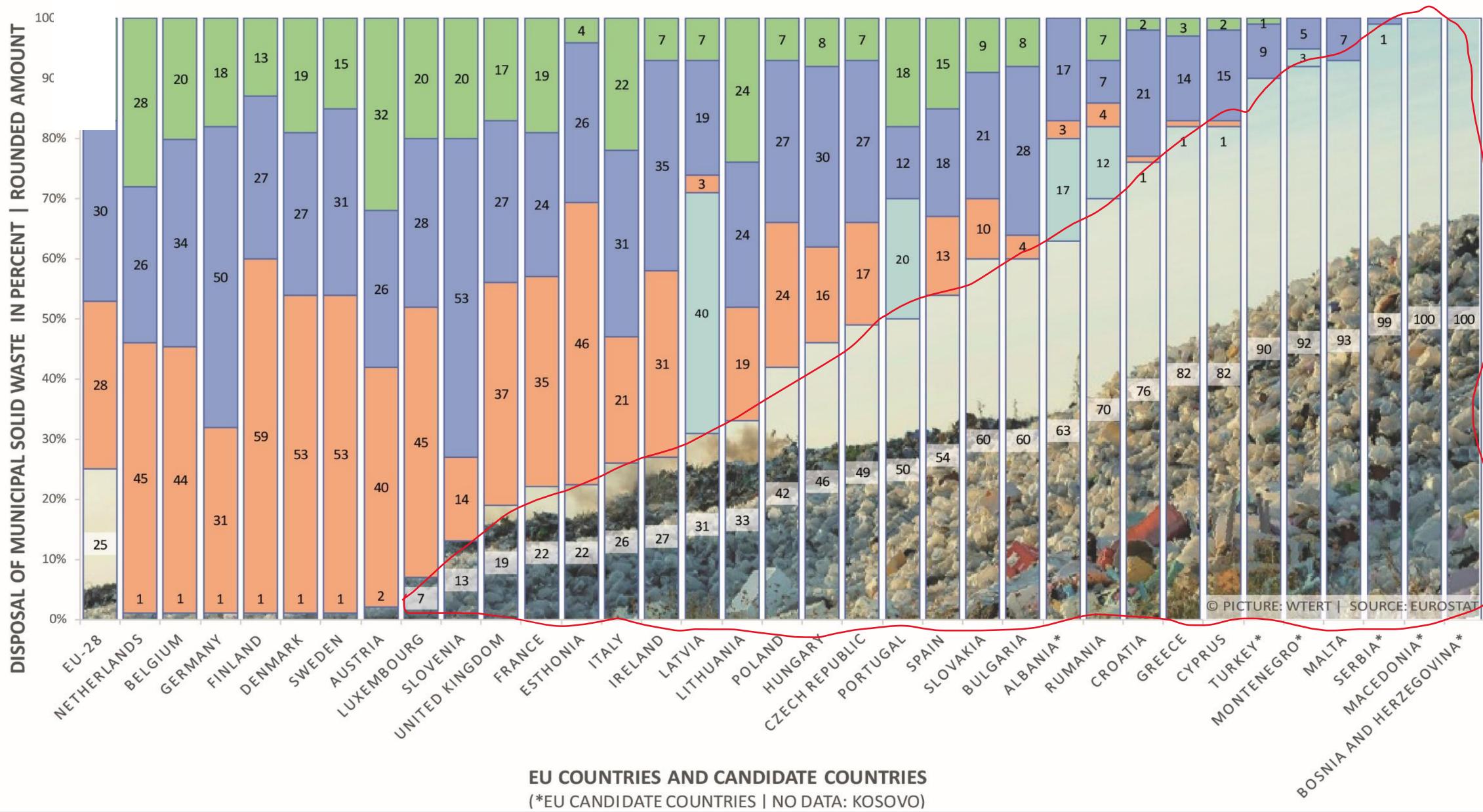
One can see this from the European Commission's 2020 Circular Economy Action Plan<sub>15</sub>.

It is considered the EU's central strategy for the further development of the European circular economy and is a central pillar of the EU Green Deal. It aims to expand the circular economy by decoupling economic growth from resource consumption through an ambitious product policy and many approaches to waste prevention.

### **MUNICIPAL SOLID WASTE OF THE EU AND CANDIDATE COUNTRIES IN 2017**

□ landfilling

missing data to fulfill 100%



■ incineration

mechanical recycling

composting | fermentation



60.000 50.000 40.000 30.000 20.000 10.000

1.000 t CO2-Äq/a

-10.000

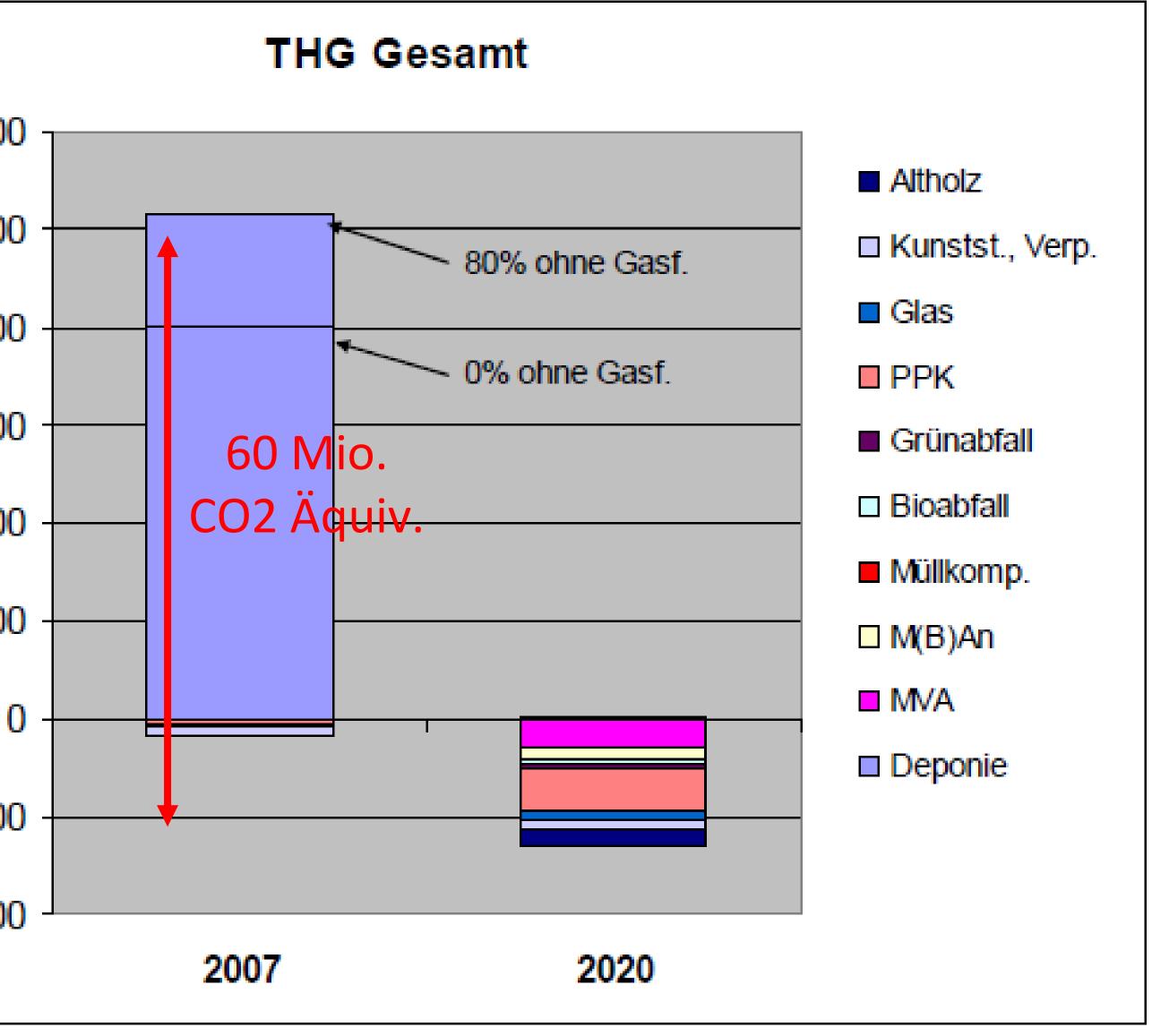
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### Source: TEXTE | 06/2010

UMWELTFORSCHUNGSPLAN DES BUNDESMINISTERIUMS FÜR UMWELT, NATURSCHUTZ UND REAKTORSICHERHEIT Förderkennzeichen 3708 31 302 UBA-FB 001347

### Klimaschutzpotenziale der Abfallwirtschaft

Overall results of the greenhouse gas balance for Mexico







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In the report, the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) calls for "political determination and consistent implementation with clear targets and priorities ..." and

identifies the right time for adaptation as "**NOW**" rather than someday!

... Europe <del>starts to become aware,</del> that a sustainable waste management has some good answers to Climate Change... Grean Deal ... but starts with ideas to change products in the long term and foster recycling





"The transition to the circular economy will be systemic, deep, and transformative, in the EU and beyond. It will be disruptive at times, so it must be fair. It will require an alignment and cooperation of all stakeholders at all levels - EU, national, regional, and local, and international.

Therefore, the Commission invites EU institutions and bodies to endorse this Action Plan and actively contribute to its implementation and encourages Member States to adopt or update their national circular economy strategies, plans and measures in the light of its ambition.

Furthermore, the Commission will recommend including the circular economy among the topics for discussion on the future of Europe and a regular theme of citizens' dialogues."

The goal of closing landfills by reducing the masses, which from a scientific point of view is a priority, has unfortunately been lost from political focus.

Environmental Protection Export Initiative of the Federal Ministry for the Environment, Na-ture Conservation, Nuclear Safety and Consumer Protection,

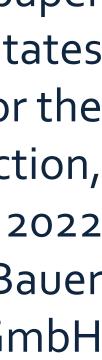
Source: Concept paper

Circular Economy in the Baltic States

, Na-ture Conservation, Nuclear Safety and Consumer Protection, August 2022

Chapter 2-12: Dipl.-Ing. (TU) Werner P. Bauer

WtERT Germany GmbH



### But why is this so important?

Because what we communicate in Europe has a global impact. If the EU devalues waste incineration via the taxonomy, this is grist to the mill of global landfill proponents (see examples from USA, Brazil, etc.).

According to a study by the World  $Bank^*$ , 2.01 billion tons of waste were generated worldwide in 2016. Of this,

> 36.7% was deposited in wild dumps,

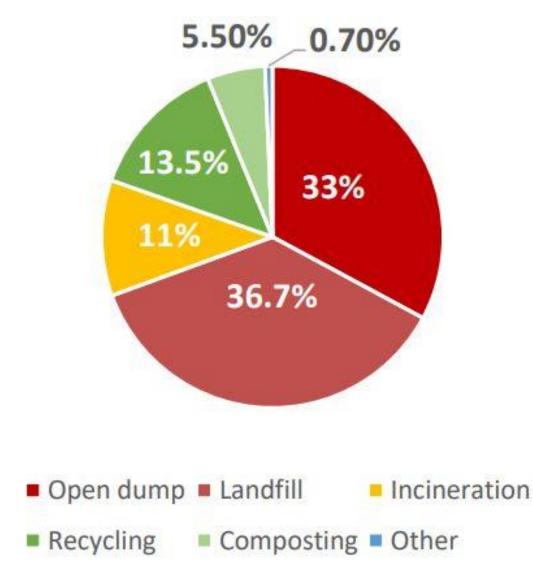
> 33% in landfills of varying quality.

Missed opportunities and resources - simply thrown away. Roughly estimated, this corresponds to well over one (1) billion tons of avoidable greenhouse gases CO2-eq per year. Since, according to the research of the World Bank, the amount of waste will increase by 70% between 2016 and 2050, every effort is needed to ensure that worldwide climate-damaging emissions do not increase even further.

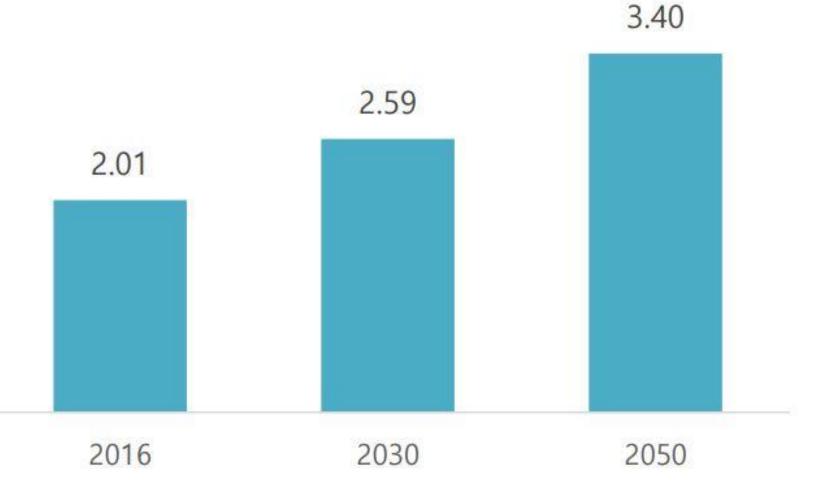
### But why is this so important?

# Waste treatment and

# disposal worldwide



# **Projected waste generation:** + 70% by 2050



Source: World Bank "What a waste" 2018

# But why is this so important?

In view of the resources and countless new jobs, this issue also points to a growing (see 70% above) economic factor.

Interested partners can let us know by mid-August to what extent they are interested in this issue. After the summer break, an invitation to a joint Zoom call will be sent to discuss all ideas and the next steps for proceeding.

In view of this gigantic task, EVERY discussion, and EVERY cooperation between the protagonists of material and thermal recycling makes sense and serves climate protection. For this reason alone, it is our task to contribute to the clarification and to question existing narratives. Even plastic waste is better off in a thermal recycling than in a landfill or in the ocean.

Turnover of Waste Management in Germany is about 70 Billion Euro



# What is to do?

We must communicate about this wherever we can:

- $\succ$  to the experts and ngOs in the Waste Management Community,
- > to the experts and ngOs in the Energy (Heating and Power Supply) market
- to the experts and ngOs in the Climate Change Community

AND we must bundle the information in the WTERT web, open for everybody:

- to clarify the communication to essentials of SWM
- > To explain interconnections
  - between landfill and GHG
  - O waste management und heat supply, ...
- $\succ$  to demonstrate the credibility of research technologies and management.



# Earth Engineering Center (EEC) of Columbia University in New York

WtERT is concerning the objective of advancing sustainable waste management worldwide.

Its Decision Support System <u>www.wtert.net</u> is the place where the WtERT community brings all the key information about sustainable waste management together.

# Welcome to The Global Waste-to-Energy Research and Technology Comei

A top-tier research organization, founded by the Earth Engineering Center, Columbia **University in New York, USA** and its Decision Support System

The Global WtERT Council was founded in 2002 as a non-profit organization at the

### WtERT aims to merge the key information of sustainable waste management with Case Studies ...



NGed - Agence Nationale de Gestion des

### Transfer Center of Kram, Tunisia

Transfer stations are of particular mportance for the development owards sustainable waste management, as they are a ...



adMad Kenya (Seren Associates Ltd)

### Padmad, Initiative on reusable sanitary pad in Kenya

adMad, co-founded by Madhvi Dalal is a social enterprise that has worked in Kenya and Somaliland on addressing period poverty. PadMad introduced biodegradable, reusable...



### STADLER Anlagenbau GmbH

Mechanical-biological treatment plant (MBT) in Granada, Spain

The plant Ecocentral Granada was a enovation and an expansion of the old sorting and composting plant oma de Manzanares. It is a hybrid.



### Composting of MSW in Salaj, Romania

The plant in Salaj, Romania uses the GORE® Cover Process Technology in order to compost the organic fraction from MSW whilst reducing odors and nissions. 6 GORE® Cover system.



Germany



With the introduction of the GORE® Cover technology in 2014, the composting plant could be



The ARAB Kirchbichl plant in Tyrol, ustria uses the GORE® Cover Process Technology in order to compost sewage sludge whilst reducing odors and emissions. 6..



**Case Study** 



### Pollution Prevention in a Tunisian Hotel

Hotel Caravane Serail is a 50employee, 399-bed hotel located at an pasis at the gate to the Sahara Desert. The area in which the hotel is located



The WEEE Centre in Nairobi, Kenya and 15 Other Countries in Africa

The WEEE Centre, Nairobi Kenya offers recycling services for ICT waste to the general public, business,



Coliba Ghana Ltd.

The Dansoman-Glefe

center in Ghana

community plastic buyback

The Dansoman-Glefe community

stic buyback center initiated by

Coliba Ghana offers the avenue for

community members to bring their.

Schwandorf

Conversion of a lignite-fired power plant into a waste-toenergy plant using the example of the ZMS Schwandorf, Germany...



IVO Kommunalunternehmen für Abfall-Vermeidung, Information und Verwertung im Oberland

The Waste Reloading Station of the District Miesbach, Germany

Jp to 22,000 tonnes of waste by veight are pressed and reloaded.

Aarkt Markt Schwaben

Traffic routing at the recycling center Markt Schwaben,

Visitor traffic and recycling yard ogistics are completely separated



intsorgungstechnik BAVARIA GmbH RFD from Industrial- and Household Waste in Allgaeu, Germany

The Leutkircher Wertstoffhof GmbH & Co. KG operates a sorting station for industrial- and household waste next to the collection point for recyclable



afallwirtschaftsbetrieb Böblinger

El Guettar, Tunisia: Project Partnership of the Waste Management Company Böblingen, Germany

The project "Municipal Knowledge Transfer Maghreb-Germany" between the waste manage-ment company of ...



iniversity Stuttgart - ISWA

**Best Practice** 

Ensuring clarity about the amount of biowaste helps to reduce it

Research project carried out by ISWA, University Stuttgart



VA Abfallverwertung Augsburg GmbH

AVA (Waste Treatment Augsburg), Germany - Energetic and Material Recycling Under One Roof Leads to Considerable Synergies

The waste management companies..



AWB Abfallwirtschaftsbetrieb des Landkreises Neu-Ulm

The disposal and recycling center EWW of the District Neu-Ulm - Perfect Combination of Material and Energy Recycling, Germany...



Kolics Company Ltd. (KoliKo Wear)

Kolics Converts Waste Textiles into Shoes and Bags, Ghana

Kolics Company Ltd. (KoliKo wear) is a social enterprise that seeks to support killed and opportunity seeking youth to produce innovative products which are environmentally friendly.

AWG Abfailwirtschaft Landkreis Calw GmbH

Composting of Organic Waste at the Simmozheim Waste Disposal Plant, Germany

### Silla 2 Waste-to-Energy Plant, Milano, Italy

The Silla 2 waste-to-energy plant is located in the north-west area of Mila near the Figino district. The plant is able to treat over 500,000 tons of



Technische Betriebsdienste Reutlingen

### Anti-Littering-Campaign in Reutlingen, Germany

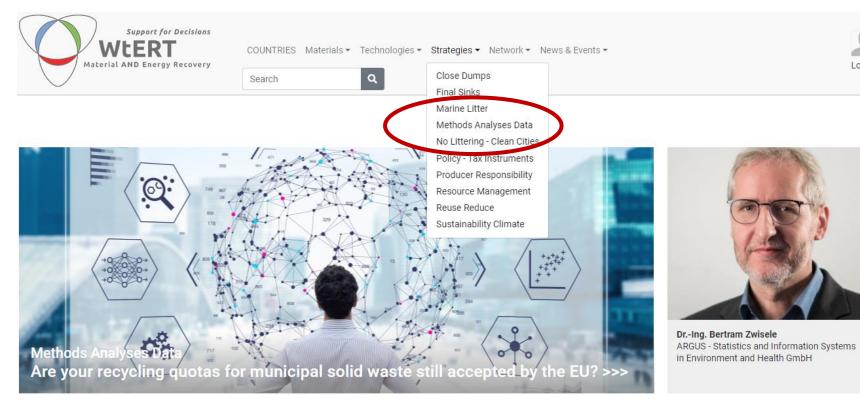
In Reutlingen, 300 citizens have been showing their full commitment to thei city for 15 years: They own a sponsorship for a "piece of

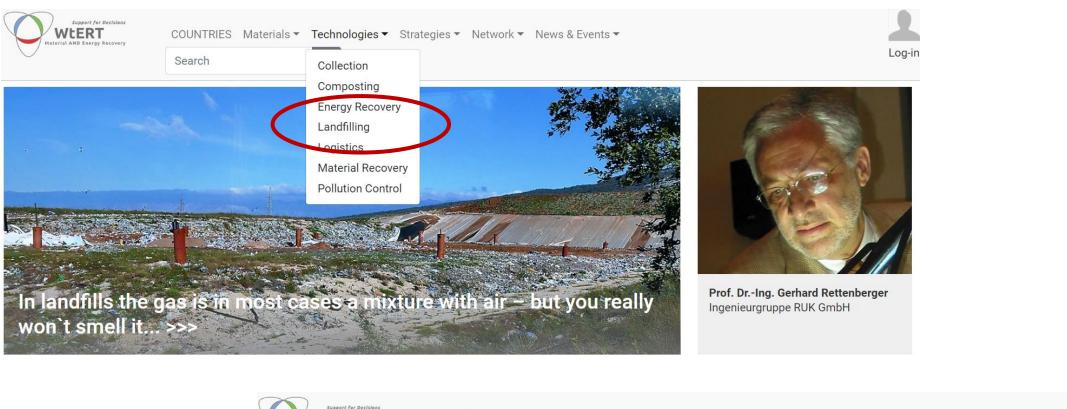


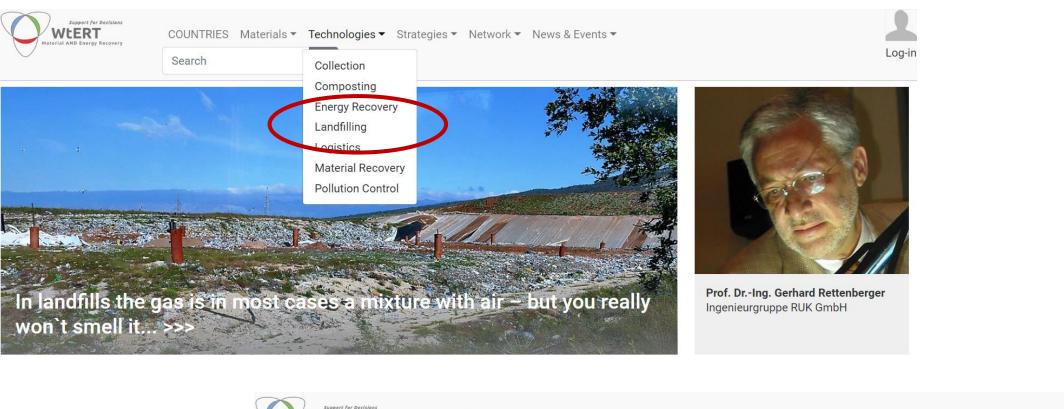
### Business with Construction Waste in Gmund, Germany

3SA GmbH in D-83703 Gmund, a specialist waste management company according to the German §52 KrW-/AbfG, takes construction waste and processes it into

### ... and also with Recommendations

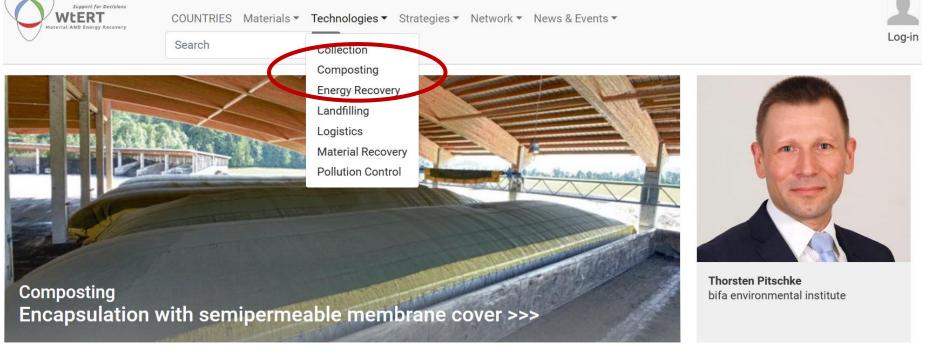






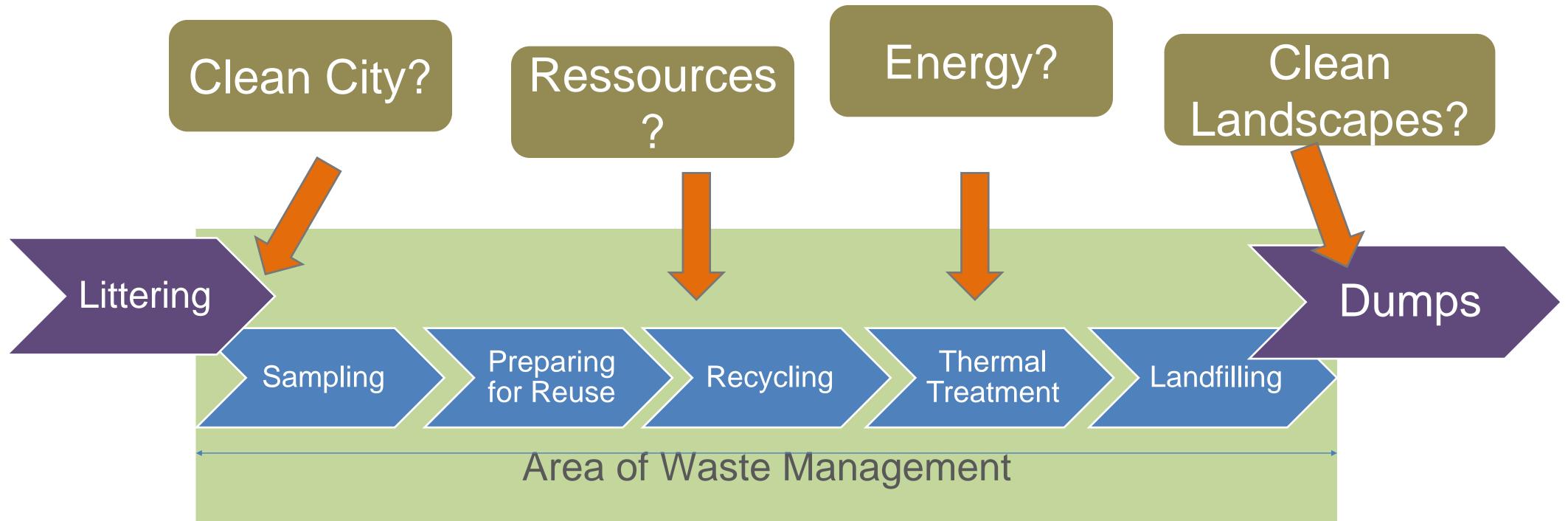








# What is your AIM where the strategy should lead you to?



# Municipal solid waste generation in EU - 2018





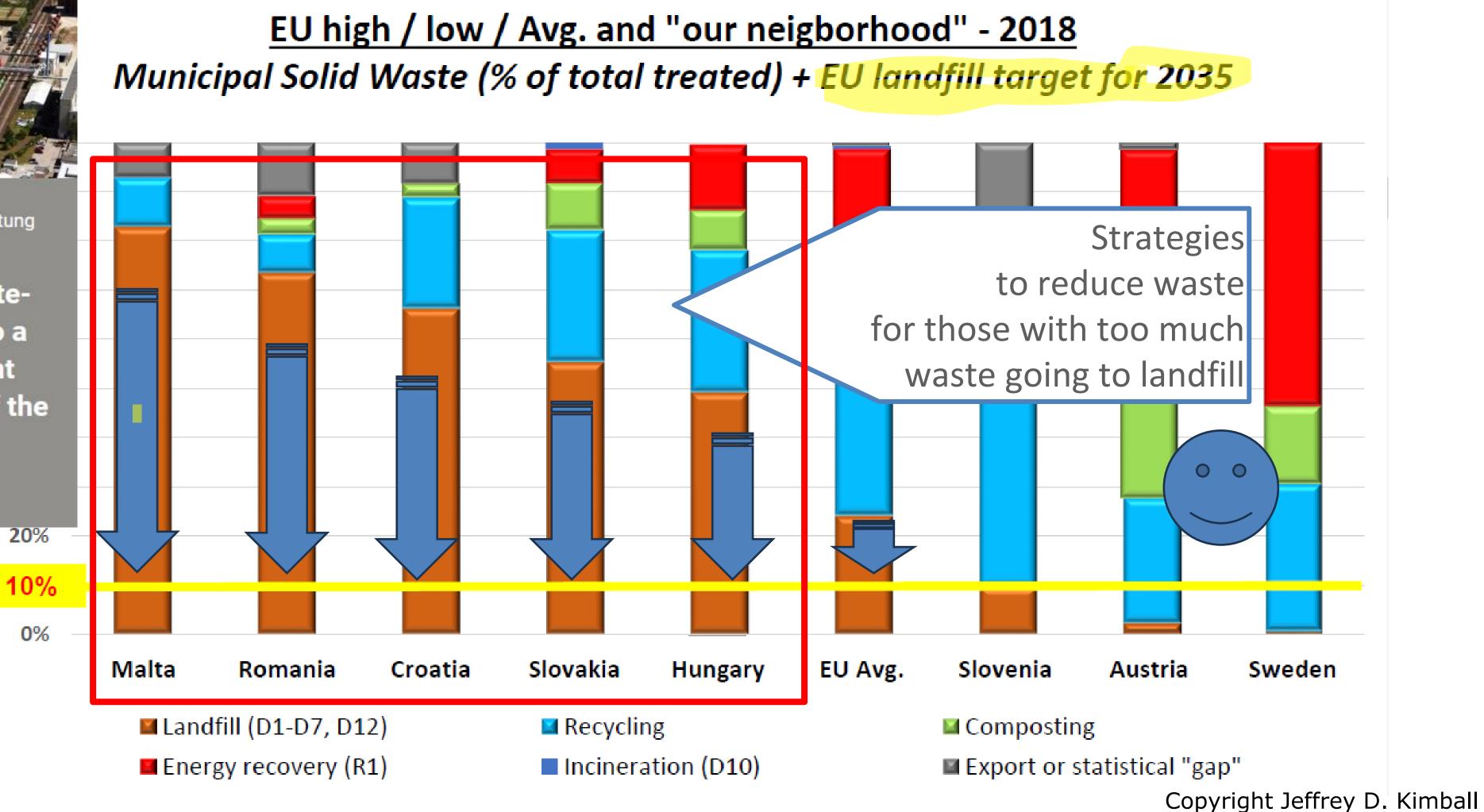
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ZMS Zweckverband Müllverwertung Schwandorf

Conversion of a lignitefired power plant into a waste-to-energy plant using the example of the ZMS Schwandorf, Germany...

# **Starting Position for SWM-Strategy Development**



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Clean City



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Clean City



**Case Study** 



Municipality of Siliana

On its Way to a Cleaner City, Siliana Begins Operation of Tunesia's First "île de propreté"

Raising awareness for waste separation and environment among the population is the...









# Let us come back to the AIMs and all the companies here in varia

Compositing of Sewage Sludge in Kirchbichl, Austria

**Case Study** 

The ARAB Kirchbichl plant in Tyrol, Austria uses the GORE® Cover Process Technology in order to compost sewage sludge whilst reducing odors and...

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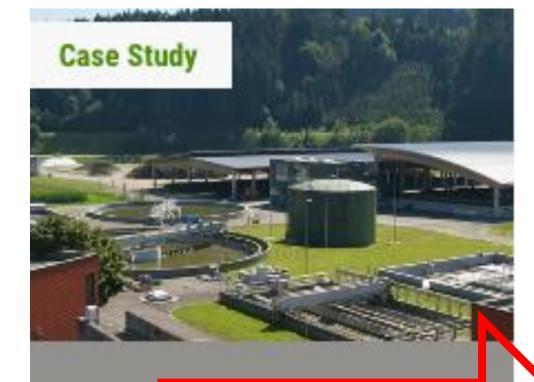
### Composting of Sewage Sludge in Kirchbichl, Austria

The ARAB Kirchbichl plant in Tyrol, Austria uses the GORE® Cover Process Technology in order to compost sewage sludge whilst reducing odors and emissions. 6 GORE® Cover system units in the intensive rotting phase have been installed in 2009. W. L. Gore & Associates GmbH



Site name: ARAB Kirchbichl GmbH (Abwasserreinigungsanlagenbetreibergesellschaft m.b.H.) Ownership: Abwasserverband Wörgl-Kirchbichl Location: Kirchbichl, Bichlwang, Austria Inhabitants: 13 communities, for max. 100.000 people Wastewater volume: 15.000 m³/day

Start-Up: December 2009 Total Design Capacity: 15.000 t/y total (mixed material) approx. 7.500 t/y of Biosolids + Digestate Foodwaste (DM of 24%) 7 000 11 10



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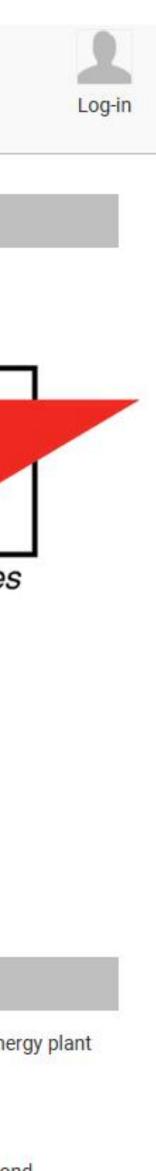
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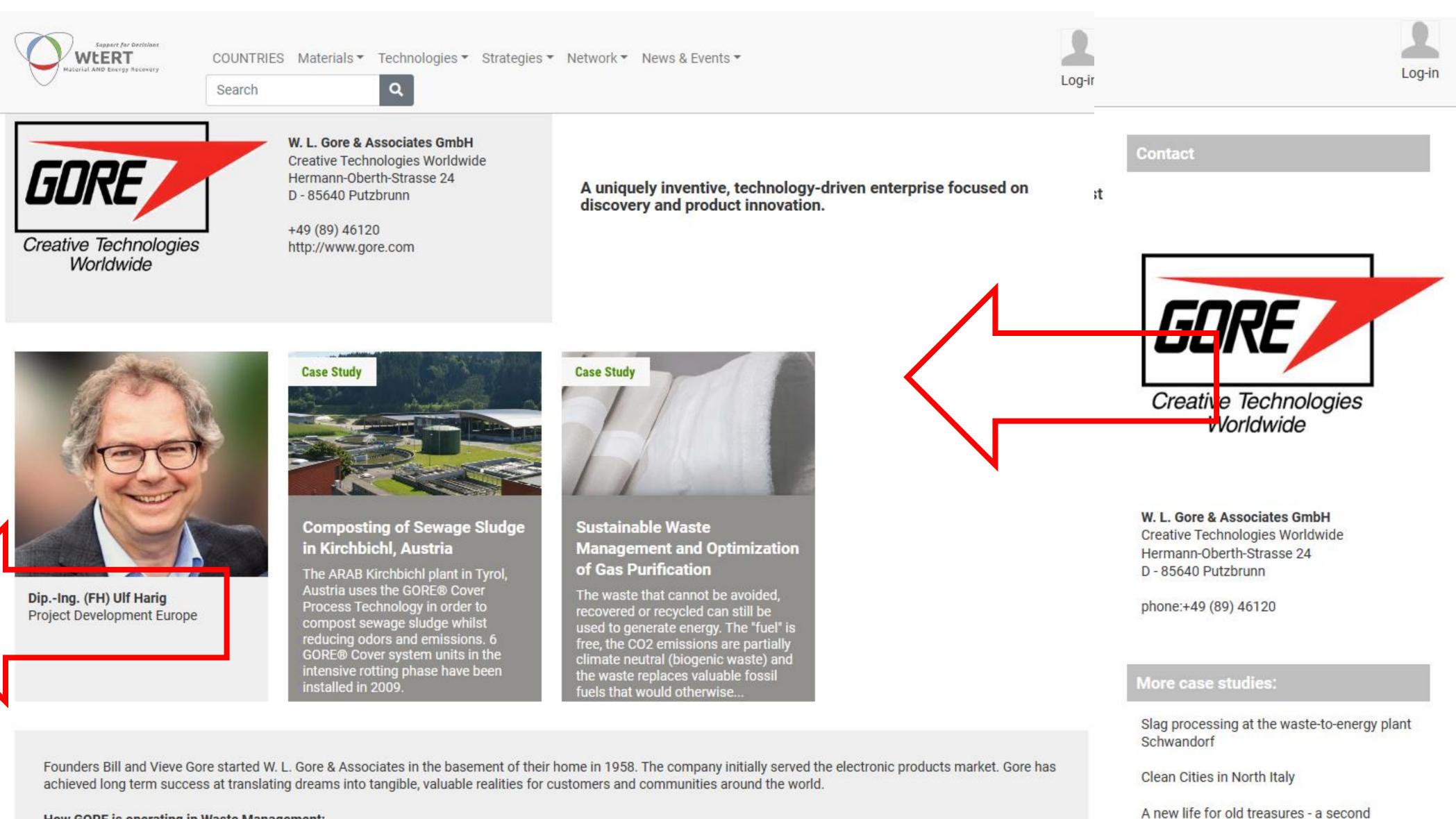
### More case studies:

Slag processing at the waste-to-energy plant Schwandorf

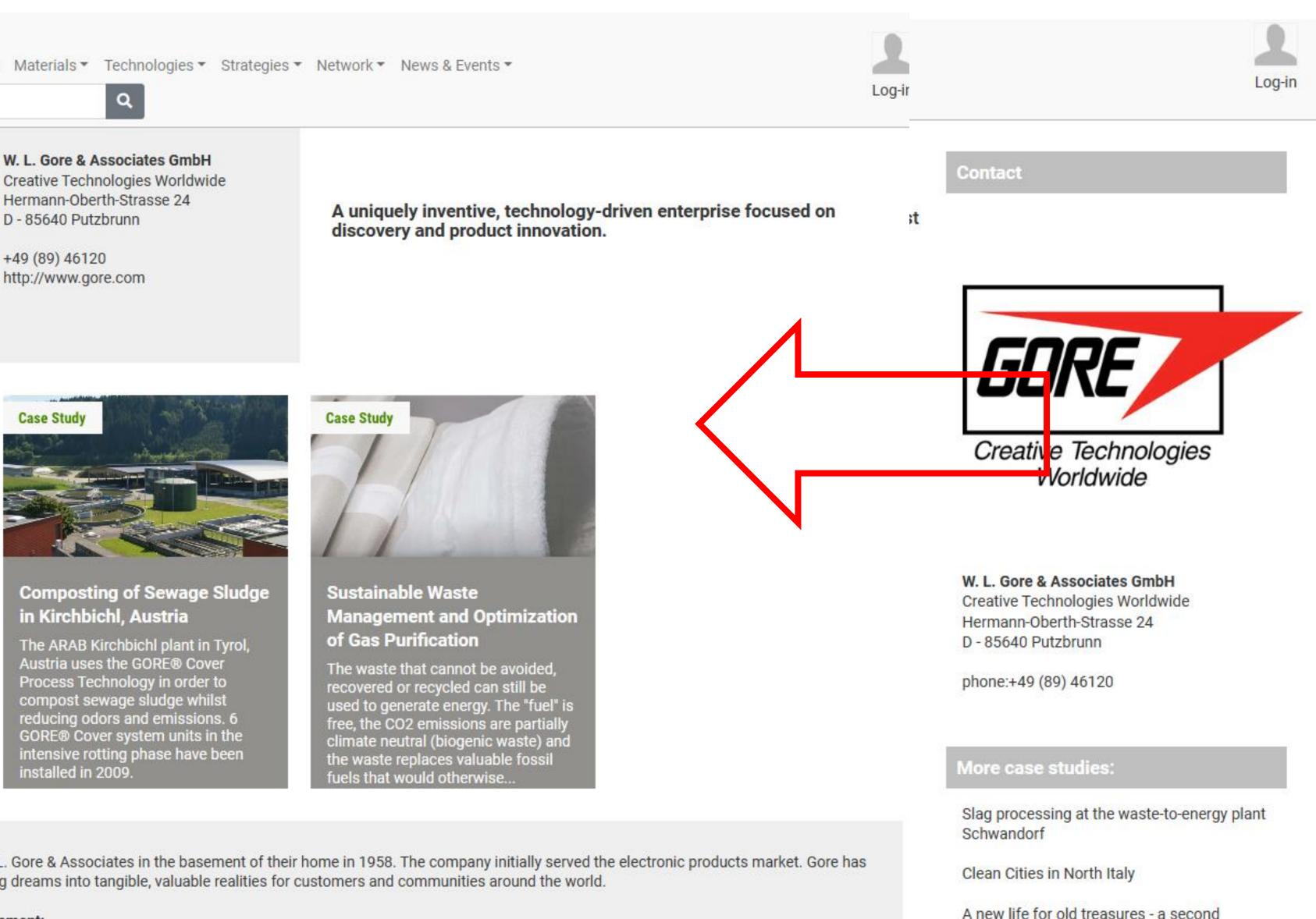
Clean Cities in North Italy

A new life for old treasures - a second chance for discarded items





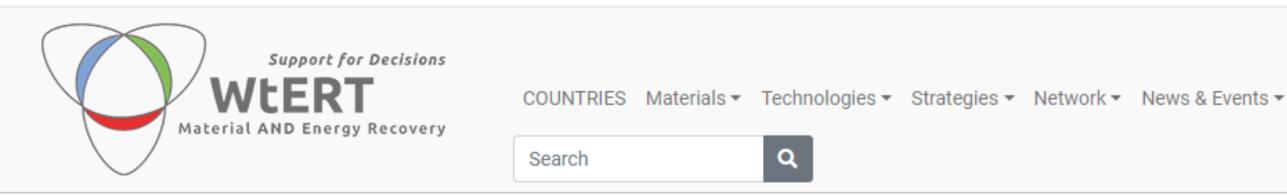




chance for discarded items

How GORE is operating in Waste Management:

-GORF® Cover for Oranic Waste Treatment



### Dip.-Ing. (FH) Ulf Harig

Development of Organic Waste Treatment Projects, using GORE(R) Cover. Our actual focus is on the effective treatment of Biosolids



### Project Development Europe

W. L. Gore & Associates GmbH Organic Waste Treatment with GORF(R) Cover 85.54 Putzbrunn Germany

### ⊠ send message

Fluency:

Englian, German

Then atic field of expertise: Material Recovery, Biomass

Geographical field of expertise: EU, Germany

### Detailed description of working activity

Implementing our Membrane Technology into application for either composting of Organic Waste, Biosolids, or for stabilization + drying of MSW.

### Current activity

Offer an easy waste treatment process to control effectively emissions and produce high quality end-products.

### Former activities

1992 starting with W.L.Gore & Associates until 2003 working for Team GORE-TEX(R) Filterbags (e.g. Filterbags for Incineration, Cement Kiln, Process-Filter,..) since 2004 working for Team GORE(R) Cover

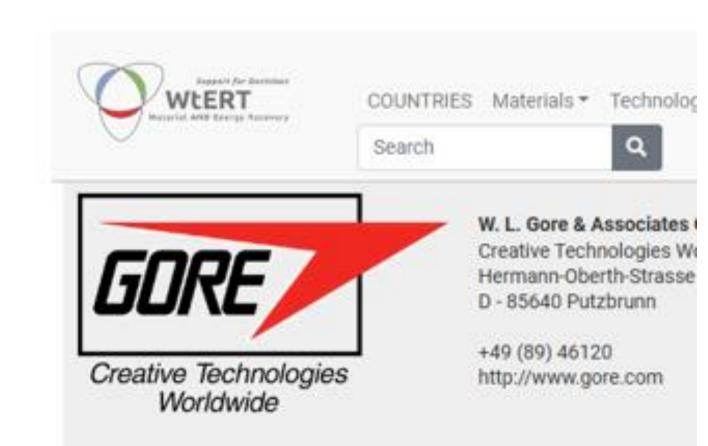
### Education

Dipl.-Ing. (FH), Cologne University of Science

### Memberships

ECN, BGK US Compost Council Canadian Compost Council UmweltCluster Bavern







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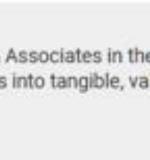
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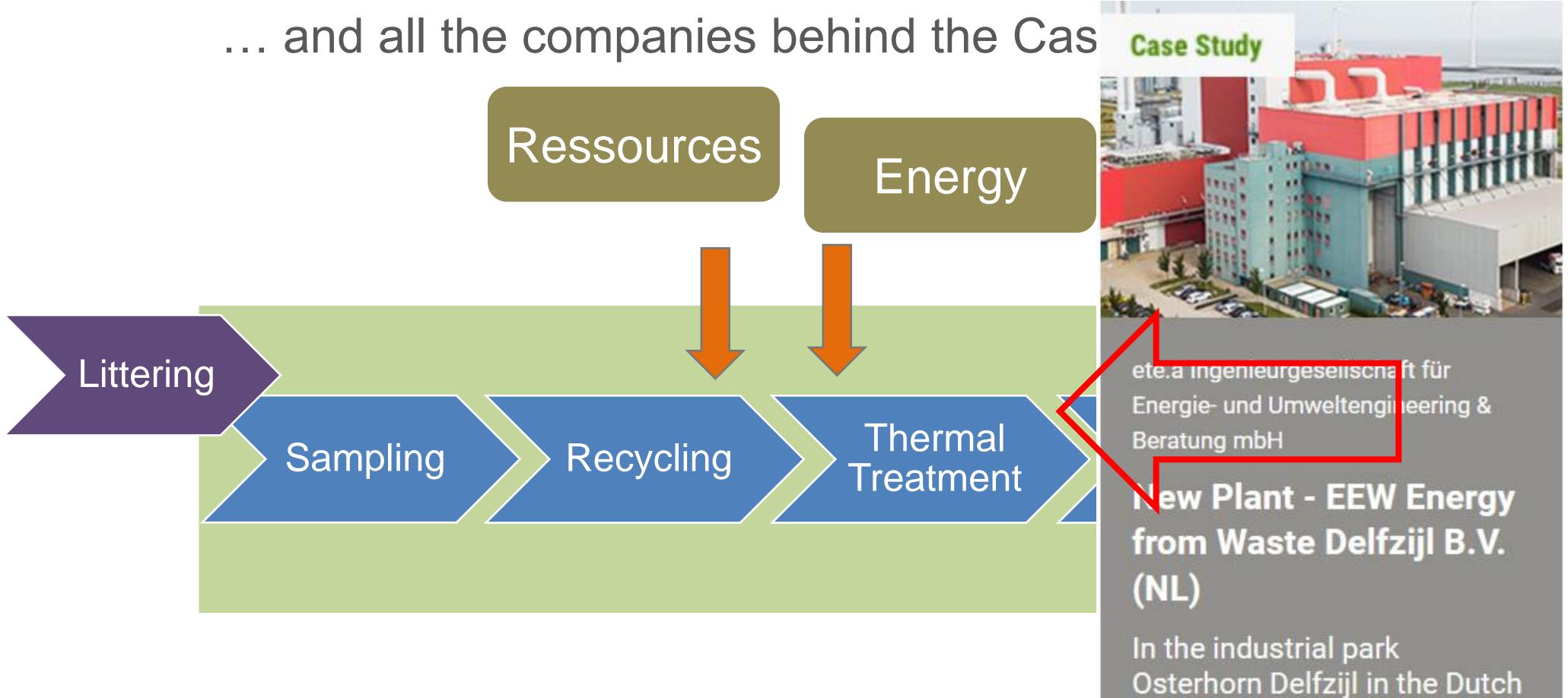
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M.Sc. Environmental Science Linda Drukmane Project Engineering



Basic features of the dry absorption rocess for flue gas treatm ystems in waste incineration ermany The separation of gaseous substances takes place via adsorption over a solid or via...



New Plant - EEW Energy from Waste Delfzijl B.V. (NL)

In the industrial park Osterhorn Delfziji in the Dutch province of Groningen, EEW Energy from Waste operates a waste incineration plant for industrial and household waste as well as for refuse derived fuels.

Our strength is the exploitation of the actual knowledge within the market in order to always be able to offer our customers the optimised solution.

Our customers profits from...

- ...e large expert knowledge in the field of flue gas treatment
- ...e significant participation in further development of flue gas cleaning systems
- ....e longtime practical experience in planning, building and commissioning of power and wte plants
- ... an engineering company as an consultant in a nodel point of a network of universities, organisations, plant manufacturers und operators.

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ptimization of the WtE-plant -Rothensee, Germany

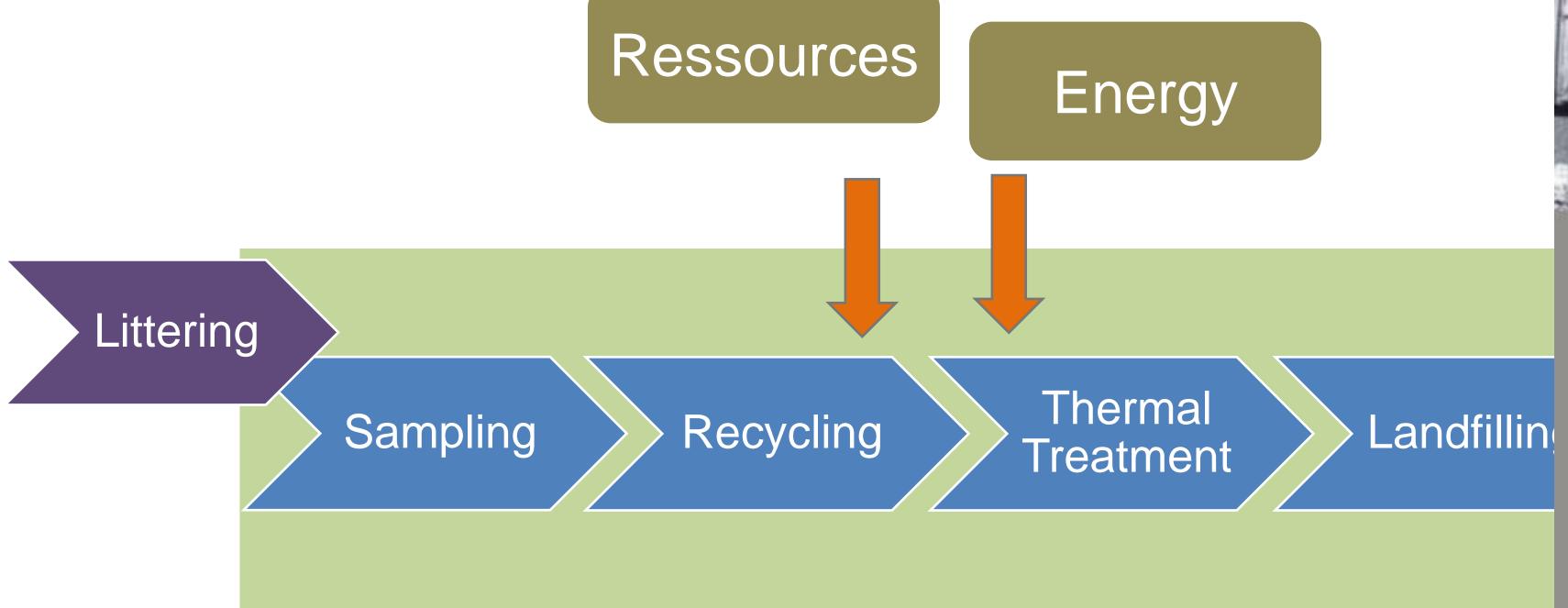
Weste-to-Energy (WtE) plant Rothensee GmbH operates a modern weste management and energy concept at the Magdeburg Rothensee site.

**Case Study** OT BREAK

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Bayer. Staatsministerium für Umwelt und Verbraucherschutz

**Cost-intensive aftercare** of the Gallenbach household waste landfill, Germany

In the first twenty years after the closure of the ...







# ... the benefit of recycling, e.g. fermentation.....

# ... and the need for good landfill operation.

# District heating

# Primary energy factor for district heating: fp = 0,00

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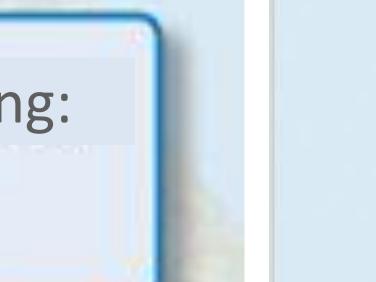
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# We must oppose with a scientific mind and a brave heart. Let us bundle our arguments in www.wtert.net

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