

Biogas plant „Bioplin Kolar Marjan s.p.“ Logarovci - Slovenia Independent entrepreneur

Marjan Kolar has a farm measuring 2000 ha of own and hired land. The farm is situated a bit out of the way but still near enough the village of Logarovci where they have pigsties with pigs and horizontal silos for maize. They have built a biogas plant on the pig farm. The basic substrates for biogas production are: pig manure, maize silage and grass silage. They have silos for silage on other locations, too, and, when necessary, silage is transported there.

Silage is transported from horizontal silo with loader in the silage dosing system. In the process of wet dosing the silage is mixed with pig manure. Then the substrate goes in two main digesters and later in two second




digesters. The total volume is $4 \times 2200 \text{ m}^3$. They are built from reinforced concrete, and the four of them are linked together. Biogas is collected in two gas storage tanks with double membrane of the volume $2 \times 1200 \text{ m}^3$.

The processed substrate goes in two final storage tanks of reinforced concrete of 7700 m^3 volume (one tank was already previously on the farm and the second one was built together with the biogas plant). Biogas is transported in tubes to the cogeneration unit with the engine of 1000 kW power. The thermal energy is used for heating of digestors, pig farm and grain drying room.

Marjan Kolar (operator)

“The option of biogas production from liquid manure in Slovenia has not been exploited enough. All the liquid manure ought to be included in the production of biogas. Positive experience gathered until now is a stimulation for a new investment – construction of the next biogas plant in the surrounding of Lendava for which we have already collected the required documentation. The construction is planned for the year 2008.”

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Electricity is used by biogas plant and the majority is delivered to the national electric grid company.

They have decided to build a biogas plant due to excellent symbiosis of animal production, field crop production and biogas plant. The entire system has been rounded up. The food for pigs and the silage for biogas production are grown in the fields. Pig manure produced on the farm is processed in the process of anaerobic digestion and together with other substrates it is an excellent organic fertiliser which smells less unpleasantly when applied in the fields.

key data

Start of Operation	2007
Type of corporation.....	Independent entrepreneur
Amount of gas produced	10560 m³ per day
Investment costs	5 200 000 €

feedstock

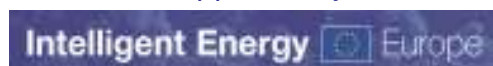
Liquid manure (pig).....	3200 m³ per year
Maize silage	7700 tons per year
Grain maize (Corn Cob Mikx.....	550 tons per year
Grass silage.....	3000 tons per year

All of the feedstock is provided by the owners of the plant.

production data

Available area for the output of the biogas fertilizer	2000 ha
Thermal power rating of the gas engine	1200 kW
Generated thermal energy.....	9 600 000 kWh per year
Utilisation of heat	heating of digestors pig farm grain drying plant
Electric power rating of the gas engine	1000 kW
Generated electric energy	8 000 000 kWh per year
Power consumption (electricity) of the plant itself	400 000 kWh per year

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Annual delivery of electricity to the (regional) electric grid company

8 000 000 kWh per year

District heating network **No**

technical plant description

Digester	2 x 2200 m³
Second digester	2 x 2200 m³
Gas storage tank	2 x 1200 m³
Residence time in the digester	~ 85 days
Temperature of the anaerobic digestion (operational)	39 °C
Average expenditure of human labour	2 hours per day



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