Acronym: ABC-Salt
Duration: April 1st, 2018 – March 31st, 2022
Coordinator: Prof. dr. ir. H.J. Heeres

Partners:
- Aston University
- Deutsches Zentrum für Luft- und Raumfahrt
- Norwegian University of Life Sciences
- RISE
- GHENT UNIVERSITY
- ayming
- Sapienza Università di Roma
Project title: Advanced Biomass Catalytic Conversion to Middle Distillates in Molten Salts


Main Category of the Project: Biofuels from lignocellulosic waste stream.

TRL: 2.

Keywords: Molten salts, Biomass liquefaction, Hydropyrolysis, Hydrodeoxygenation, Biofuels.

Technological approach of the Project: Experimental research supported by system modeling on technology, environmental and social impact. The technology concept will be demonstrated in an integrated bench scale unit.

Expected Impact of the Project: Accomplish TRL 4; create and pursue new, out-of-the-box innovative ideas, to improve the conversion efficiency for sustainable fuels.

Contribution of the Project: Develop novel integrated technology for the efficient conversion of lignocellulosic waste streams to middle distillates using a unique concept. The concept will be investigated using a holistic approach, involving research activities towards a sound scientific understanding of the individual conversion steps as well as optimized process integration.

Highlights (technological): Biomass liquefaction in pumpable molten salts.

Highlights (non-technological): Summer School 2019 for Ph.D. students “Advanced thermochemical biomass conversion technologies”

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Project Objective

Development of a novel route at **TRL level 4** to produce sustainable liquid biofuels from various lignocellulosic waste streams for the transport industry targeting a hydrocarbon yield ≥ 35 wt.% (2/3 in the middle distillates range).

Process Concept

**Biomass**

- **Biomass Liquefaction in molten salts**
- **(Catalytic) Hydro-Pyrolysis**
- **(Catalytic) Hydro-deoxygenation**

**Step 1:** Dissolving biomass in novel media at ambient pressure and low temperature

**Step 2:** Vaporizing the biomass at elevated pressure and temperature

**Step 3:** Vapour-phase hydro-deoxygenation to produce middle distillates
This year the ABC-Salt consortium is organising its first Summer School: “Advanced thermochemical biomass conversion technologies”

Birmingham (United Kingdom) - Aston University (Aston Conference)

12-14th August 2019

40 participants (young researchers and professionals)

Main topics and activities will include:
- Introduction to thermochemical conversion technologies
- Overview to upgrading technologies of pyrolysis liquids
- Introduction on the use of molten salts in different thermochemical conversion technologies
- Applications, properties and standardisation of middle distillates
- Networking opportunities (mini-conference and poster presentations by Summer School attendees)
- Dedicated course - “Set up a project” (MSCA, ERASMUS or ERC) on how to successfully exploit Horizon 2020 Research and Innovation Programme with winning proposals
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Advanced Biofuels and Renewable fuels

Kristin Sternberg
FNR
Congress Center CCL Lisbon 29th May 2019
OBJECTIVES

ADVANCEFUEL will generate new knowledge, tools, standards and recommendations aiming to overcome barriers to the commercialisation of advanced renewable transport fuels. Investigations will include the entire value chain, including

• (lignocellulosic-based) Biomass availability;
• Biofuels conversion processes and technologies;
• Advanced biofuels sustainability;
• End-use and social acceptance.

To build and validate their results, ADVANCEFUEL partners will engage stakeholders from the biofuels value-chain and support actors to participate in the project through consultations, dedicated workshops and the ADVANCEFUEL Stakeholder Platform (www.advancefuel.eu)

Duration: 09/2017– 08/2020
Funding: Horizon 2020
Partner countries: DE, NL, BE, GB, SE, FI

Coordinator:
Coordination of scientific content:
Main Category of the Project: Removing Barriers to Renewable Transport Fuels TRL: 6-9

Keywords: Biomass supply, conversion and technology upscaling, sustainability, Market analysis, advanced liquid biofuels

Technological approach of the Project: Coordination & Support Action

Expected Impact of the Project: To increase the share of sustainable advanced biofuels and renewable alternative fuels in the final EU transport sector or facilitate those increases in the future. In addition, contribution to market understanding for possible policy and regulatory development is anticipated.

Highlights (technological/non-technological): Advanced biofuels Key Performance Indicators monitoring tool to follow the progress in biofuels’ market uptake; Supply chain analysis tool, to assess the social, economic and environmental performances of biofuels supply chains; Technology assessment tool with a roadmap for development and innovation; Numerical tool for prediction of fuel performance and fuel blend properties.

ADVANCEFUEL addresses the whole value chain aiming at accelerating the market roll-out of RESfuels via four main guiding ideas: Engagement of key players during the development of supporting guidelines & tools, Support to decision makers by providing tools and recommendations based on validated R&I results, Modeling and assessment of useful scenarios and sensitivity analyses on the future of RESfuels, Communication displaying positive message on sustainability of RESfuels aiming to increase demand and public acceptance.

What is needed in future: The development of a set of innovative schemes and Best Practice scenarios that will be translated into a toolset, which is practicable for relevant stakeholders to assess the performance of different approaches for increasing the use of RESfuels. A complete overview of the possible future of RESfuels that includes impacts of innovation cases will also be established.

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- Development of new pretreatment and bioconversion processes (lab- and pilot-scale)
- Valorisation of sub-products of the bio-ethanol production via Anaerobic Digestion
- Techno-economical and ecologic evaluation of small-scale plant processing 30,000 t dm per year
- Identification and selection of sustainable lignocellulosic biomass for business cases
- Business case studies and elaboration of business plans in 4 countries: France, Germany, Argentina & Uruguay

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**Project Acronym:** BABET-REAL5  
**Project Number:** 654365  
**Call:** H2020-LCE-2014-2015/H2020-LCE-2015-1-two-stage  
**Topic:** Research and Innovation action

**Project title:** **New technology and strategy for a large and sustainable deployment of second generation biofuel in rural areas**

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<td>2nd generation bioethanol production from a new biomass pretreatment technology and with a small-scale industrial plant business model</td>
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<td>Deployment of sustainable 2nd generation bioethanol plants in rural areas and achieve the targets for more advanced biofuel in the EU and worldwide</td>
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<td><strong>Highlights (technological/non-technological):</strong></td>
<td>high throughput and compact technology (2 steps from biomass pretreatment to fermentation); valorisation of the liquors (by-products) for the production of biomethane (100% of the organic matter converted to biofuel); lignocellulosic biomass feedstock investigation in 4 countries (Europe and South-America)</td>
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Residual lipids to SAF (Industrial scale)

Camelina oil from recovered EU MED marginal soil with biochar

INCREASED SOIL RESILIENCE TO CLIMATE CHANGE
SUSTAINABLE AGRICULTURE
High-added Value Agriculture
Drought Resistant Crops

CARBONIZATION
(Innovative Oxidative Slow Pyrolysis System)

Biochar & Compost (COMBI)

ENERGY

CAMELINA oil

SAF Biojet

Residual biomass (agri-woody)
Main Category of the Project: Biofuel

TRL: 6-7 (end of the project)

Keywords: Sustainable Aviation Biofuels, HEFA, Marginal Land, Biochar

Technological approach of the Project: 1) HEFA production at full commercial scale in new plant using residual lipids (UCO); 2) R&D on sustainable feedstocks in biochar-recovered EU MED marginal land for drought resistant crop production; 3) Test of the entire chain and logistic at industrial scale (5 kt), and assess environmental performances.

Expected Impact of the Project: respond to the EU FlightPath objectives for commercial deployment of aviation biofuels and the 2 million tons aviation biofuel target by 2020. Positive energy and GHG balances. Demonstrated industrial concepts ensuring the techno-economic feasibility of the entire value chain. Significant social and economic impact.

Highlights (technological/non-technological): New Aviation Biofuel plant producing HEFA (hundreds thousands t/y capacity) in non-segregated mode, and use in commercial flights. Camelina production in EU MED marginal land recovered by biochar/compost addition and scenario analysis. Dedicated Dissemination, Communication and Exploitation action

What is needed in future: Supply of sustainable lipids, adequate and coordinated policies.
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Chemical Looping Gasification

Pre-Treatment

Fuel Synthesis

Syngas Cleaning

Storage
Main Category of the Project: Biofuel        TRL: Current: 3, Project Goal: 5-6

Keywords: Chemical Looping Gasification (CLG), Syngas Purification, Full Process Chain, Pilot Scale (1 MW_th)

Technological approach of the Project:
• develop and test selected innovative technologies:
  › Chemical looping gasification of biomass in dual connected fluidized bed reactor system
  › Syngas purification using a novel cleaning technology and subsequent fuel synthesis
• demonstrate and assess the full process chain of biofuel production in pilot scale (1 MW_th)

Expected Impact of the Project:
• significant reduction in biofuel production costs compared to state-of-the-art technologies (0.70 €/L)
• alleviation of negative impacts on environment (e.g. GHG emission, pollution, land use)

Highlights (technological/non-technological):
• de-carbonization of fuel & chemical industry
• facilitation of net-negative CO₂ emissions (BECCS/U)

What is needed in future:
• political framework encouraging scale-up to industrial scale
• Full implementation in industrial scale

This project has received funding from the European Union’s Horizon 2020 research and innovation programme under grant agreement No 817841
Compact Gasification and Synthesis process for Transport Fuels

Decentralized primary conversion of biomass in 30 – 150 MW units.

Technology development for primary conversion, Fischer-Tropsch synthesis and oil refinery feeding systems.

Target reduction of the biofuel production cost is up to 35% compared to alternative routes.

=> Less than 0.80 €/l production cost for diesel.

PROJECT FACTS

2017 – 2021
7 partners
5.1 M€ budget
3 pilot campaigns from biomass to biofuels
~200 - 400 kg of biofuels produced for research and demonstration.
This project has received funding from the European Union’s Horizon 2020 research and innovation programme under grant agreement No 727476.
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Compact Gasification and Synthesis
Project tasks and responsibilities

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The CONVERGE project will validate an innovative process which will increase the biodiesel production by 12% per secondary biomass unit used and reduce the CAPEX by 10%

The CONVERGE technologies will be validated for more than 2000 cumulated hours taking these from the discovery stage (TRL3) to development stage (TRL5).

The project started 7 months ago on November 1st 2018 and will last for 42 months
Main Category of the Project: Biofuel

TRL: 5

Keywords: biodiesel, green methanol, CO2 negative emissions, process intensification

Technological approach of the Project: The CONVERGE project will demonstrate 5 unit operations in 3 grouped processing steps (pre-processing, valorization & enhanced methanol), taking these new combinations from the discovery stage (TRL3) to development stage (TRL5).

Expected Impact of the Project: The combination of these technologies will increase the biodiesel production from secondary biomass by 12% together with biodiesel production will be reduced by up to 2100 M€ across Europe.

Highlights (technological/non-technological):
Validation of the technologies for more than 2000 hours
Process optimization accounting for energy, economic, environmental and societal aspects.
Identification of the secondary biomass supply chain for four different geographical regions

What is needed in future: Higher TRL project and favorable regulatory framework
FLExible Dimethyl ether production from biomass Gasification with sorption enhanceED processes

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**FLEDGED process: SEG + SEDMES**

- Flexible sorption enhanced gasification (SEG) process
- Sorption enhanced DME synthesis (SE-DMES) process
- Process intensification
- Efficiency improvements
- Cost reductions
- Process flexibility

**DEMONSTRATION AT TRL5:**

Flexible sorption enhanced gasification (SEG) process + Sorption enhanced DME synthesis (SE-DMES) process

**FLEDGED process: SEG + SEDMES**

**Electro-DME**

- Biomass
- Syngas with adjusted composition (M=2)
- Target syngas composition (M=2)
- DME synthesis
- DME

**Bio-CCS**

- Syngas (N₂-free syngas)
- Gasifier-carbonator
- 600-700°C
- CaCO₃ + char
  - Solid circulation
  - CaO
- Combustor-calciiner
- 800-900°C
- CO₂/H₂O
- Bed material
- Limestone
- Biomass (if needed)
- Oxygen

**Segregation of solids**

- Biomass
- Steam
- Air
- Tar/PM removal
- H₂S separation
- SE-DME synthesis
- DME separation
- DME
- Optional CO recycle (smaller for given yield)
Project Acronym: **FLEDGED**  Project Number: 727600  Call: LCE-2016-RES-CCS-RIA  Topic: LCE-08-2016-17

Project title: **FLExible Dimethyl ether production from biomass Gasification with sorption enhancED processes**

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**Expected Impact of the Project:** Decarbonization of the transport sector: provision of renewable transportation fuel with possible negative WTW CO₂ emissions (if coupled with CCS) and favoring diffusion of intermittent electric renewables thanks to power to liquid conversion (electrofuels).

**Highlights (technological/non-technological):**
- TRL5 demonstration of two key sorption-enhanced processes for biomass gasification and DME synthesis
- Overall process characterized by process intensification and flexibility in feedstock and operation.
- Thermodynamic and economic analysis, WTW LCA, risk analysis, socio-economic analysis.

**What is needed in future:** Large scale demonstration projects and favorable regulatory framework
Project overview
• Total costs: 15 M Euro
• EU financing: 10 M Euro
• H2020 LCE-20 Programme
• Duration: 48 Months (2018-2022)
• 13 partners from 5 EU countries

Aim
To build a pre-commercial demonstration plant for the production of SAF derived from food waste and waste vegetable oil while mapping the full economic, social and environmental impact of the technology.

Process Flow Diagram

- **Used Cooking Oil** → **FuelMatik®** → **FAME** → **HDO/HC/Fractionation** → **Blend Jet A1** → **Aviation Fuel**
- **Vegetable Oil** → **Glycerol (option)** → **Syngas** → **Hygear PSA** → **Hydrogen** → **Diesel / Gasoline Fraction** → **Aviation Fuel**
- **Organic Waste** → **TCR®** → **Blo crude Oil** → **HDO/HC/Fractionation** → **Refinery** → **Gasifier** → **Heat and Power**

Schedule:
- Kick-off: April 2018
- Plant Design: Mid 2019
- Demo Plant: Mid 2020
- SAF Delivery: End 2021
- End of Project: Mid 2022
Project Acronym: **flexJET**  
Project Number: **792216**  
Call: **H2020-LCE-2017-RES-IA**  
Topic: **LCE-20-2016-2017** Enabling pre-commercial production of advanced aviation biofuel  
Project title: **Sustainable Jet Fuel from Flexible Waste Biomass**

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**Keywords:** Sustainable transport - general, Bioenergy, Transport biofuels, Fuel Production & Distribution

**Technological approach of the Project:** “Sustainable Aviation through Biofuel Refining” (SABR) process from Green Fuels Research (UCO to SAF) combined to the “Thermo-Catalytic Reforming” (TCR®) technology from Susteen Technologies (organic waste to biocrude oil, syngas and biochar). The hydrogen required for the refining steps will be separated from the syngas (an output of the TCR process) using a Pressure Swing Adsorption (PSA) from Hygear.

**Expected Impact of the Project:** To enable commercial availability of jet fuel at large scale, producing fossil jet fuel substitute at a competitive cost in accordance to the international standards (ASTM).  
Plant demonstration scale by 2020 and SAF produced by 2022.  
Direct Impacts: GHG reduction, destination for waste biomass and UCO, decarbonisation of different sectors, jobs creation, innovation potential.

**Highlights (technological/non-technological):** High feedstock flexibility, green Hydrogen, side and end products flexibility, highly scalable (small scale decentralised facilities can be built), it can be integrated into existing infrastructure.

**What is needed in future:** Testing other feedstocks at this scale, certification of the TCR route, commercial plant.
MacroFuels aims to develop technologies to produce advanced liquid biofuels from seaweed for transportation i.e. aviation, cargo and truck fuels. The targeted biofuels are ethanol, butanol, furanics and biogas.
MacroFuels seaweed to biofuels chain

Sun, CO₂, no added fertilizer

Advanced cultivation

Advanced harvesting and Logistics

Advanced biofuels

Advanced (bio)chemical conversions

Advanced pre-treatment
Fuel test on the way...

- PSA 1.6 HDI
  Furanic fuels
  Engine available

- VW 1.4 TSI
  ABE & Ethanol
  New Engine Purchased

- Real Drive Emission
  All fuels
  PEMS equip. available

Engine dynamometer bench-test

On-road test
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Main Category of the Project: Biofuel

TRL: 3->5

Keywords: Biogenic wastes, Gasification, Fischer-Tropsch

Technological approach of the Project: The project studies the integration of gasification and fuel synthesis technologies into the pulp industry. The project will show how biofuels can be a side product of the paper industry creating synergy with the existing process.

Expected Impact of the Project: The project will show how with modern technologies the paper industry can deliver second generation biofuels and a competitive cost <1€/L

Highlights (technological/non-technological): Black liquor (supercritical water gasification) and bark (fixed bed gasification) is converted to syngas

What is needed in future: The project will prepare the ground for a demonstration project.
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**REDIFUEL CONCEPT**

- **Bio-Syngas CO/H₂**
  - Unconverted Bio-CO/H₂
  - Process 1: FT Thermochemical conversion.
    - **Foci**: Product unconventional enrichment in C₅-C₁₀ α-olefins.
    - One-through compact FT process
  - TRL3/4→5
  - C₁₋₄ olefins/paraffins
  - C₅₋₁₀ olefins/paraffins
  - Process 2: Hydroformylation and hydrogenation.
    - **Foci**: 2nd gen. C₆-C₁₁ bio-alcohols
    - Robust, water-tolerant, recyclable and selective catalyst
    - Compact reactor and process design
  - Hydrotreating
  - C₁₁+ hydrocarbons (minor content in olefins)
  - C₁₁–C₂₁ iso-paraffins
  - EN₅₉₀ compatible diesel blend
  - Pilot production
    - Batches: 400-500 liter

**Phases**:
- Laboratory research
- Pilot plant research
- Pilot production

**EN₅₉₀ with a high biofuel content (up to 100%)**

- Combustion optimisation (CFD, single cylinder), emission optimisation, use case and cycle evaluation
- Low/zero CO₂ footprint
- Compliance with emission standards

**Follow-up**
- Scale: 1-5 kt biofuel/a

**Overall process design, technical and economic evaluation incl. life cycle assessment and biofuel cost assessment**

**Conversion efficiency evaluation (biofuel-to-Wheel)**

**Socio-economic assessment and Life Cycle Analysis**
### Project Title

Robust and Efficient processes and technologies for Drop-In renewable FUELs for road transport

### Main Category of the Project

- **Biofuel**

### TRL

- 4-9 (depending on feedstock)

### Keywords

- Biofuel, Drop-in, EN590, Biomass, Hydroformylation, Fischer-Tropsch

### Technological approach of the Project

Biomass gasification, bio-syngas gas cleaning, catalyst and process development (Fischer-Tropsch with high shares of alpha-olefins C<sub>5</sub>-C<sub>10</sub>, hydroformylation and hydrogenation); Fuel blending strategies with engine efficiency and emission aspects; Conversion efficiency Biomass-to-Wheel, LCA

### Expected Impact of the Project

- New technologies, solutions and processes to be integrated to reach high conversion efficiencies for renewable fuel production; EN590 compatible advanced biofuel with reduced pollutant emissions

### Highlights (technological/non-technological)

- The proposed drop-in biofuel contains high-cetane C<sub>11</sub>+ bio-hydrocarbons and C<sub>6</sub>-C<sub>11</sub> bio-alcohols and has exceptional combustion and emission performance at low cost ~1€/liter; Pilot plant operation with ~500 liter output; Showcase the suitability with a test drive on a dyno and real roads (Euro VI truck)

### What is needed in future

- Tax on CO<sub>2</sub> emitted from fossil fuels to further promote renewable energies

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Global sustainability analysis of value chain

Feedstock sourcing

Wood residuals

Sekab

Hydrolysate

Isobutène

Gasoline, Jet Fuel

Microbial Biomass for feed Biogas & Fertilizer

Process integration

Global sustainability analysis of value chain
This project has received funding from the European Union’s Horizon 2020 research and innovation programme under grant agreement No 792104

Main Category of the Project: IA - COMPETITIVE LOW-CARBON ENERGY - BIOFUEL

TRL: TRL5-6 to TRL6-7

Keywords: Second generation Biofuels, bio-isobutene, sustainable aviation fuel, bio-gasoline, residual wood hydrolysates, fermentation, lignin, bitumen, microbial proteins, circular economy.

Technological approach of the Project:
Wood residues deconstruction followed by direct fermentation to gaseous bio-isobutene and subsequent chemical conversion to liquid biofuels. Valorization of byproducts as bitumen, animal feed, biogas and fertilizers.

Expected Impact of the Project:
1. Demonstration of an advanced biofuels value chain in view of scale-up to First of a kind commercial
2. Over 70% of production is bio-energy
3. Targeted energy balance of 5,3 renewable MJ per fossil MJ input
4. GHG emissions savings of 7kg CO2eq / liter of biofuel compared ro fossil fuels
5. 60 direct and 300 indirect jobs per plant
6. Residual wood capacity in the EU sufficient for hundreds of plants

Highlights (technological/non-technological):
Combination of innovative and mature technologies, direct fermentation to a gaseous hydrocarbon, drop-in biofuels from platform molecule, valorization of all byproducts, complete value chain represented in consortium.

What is needed in future:
Technological demonstration, ASTM certification of SAF, EU level mandates on SAF, stable or improving road biofuels mandates, financing for first of kind CAPEX.
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FLExible Dimethyl ether production from biomass
Gasification with sorption enhanceED processes

**DEMONSTRATION AT TRL5:**
Flexible sorption enhanced gasification (SEG) process
Sorption enhanced DME synthesis (SEDMES) process

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- DME synthesis

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- Solid circulation
- CO₂/H₂O

**Gasifier-carbonator**

- 600-700°C

**Combustor-calculator**

- 800-900°C

- Bed material
- Limestone
- Biomass (if needed)

Biomass
Steam
Air

**Gasifier**

- Steam
- Biomass (if needed)
- Circulating solids
- Flue gas to stack

**Electrolyser**

- Water
- H₂

**Combustor**

- O₂

**Gasifier-carbonator**

- CaCO₃ + char
- Solid circulation
- CaO

**Combustor-calculator**

- Limestone
- Bed material
- Biomass (if needed)

**Gasification process**

- Biomass
- Steam
- Syngas

**Tar/PM removal**

- Optional CO recycle (smaller for given yield)

**DME separation**

- DME

**DME synthesis**

- DME

**MeOH synthesis**

- MeOH

**MeOH separation**

- MeOH

**H₂S separation**

- H₂S

**WGS unit**

- WGS

**CO₂ separation**

- CO₂

**MeOH synthesis**

- MeOH

**DME synthesis**

- DME

**MeOH separation**

- MeOH

**DME separation**

- DME

**Optional CO recycle** (smaller for given yield)
**Main Category of the Project:** Biofuel

**TRL:** 5

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**What is needed in future:** Large scale demonstration projects and favorable regulatory framework

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