

2nd Generation Biofuels R&D

Do we need a Different Research Infrastructure?

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The needs



- Increase biofuels penetration in EU substantially and rapidly
- Achieve this result in a sustainable way
- Use a wider range of biomass ressources, not competing with food applications (lignocellulosic biomass)





• Develop innovative and reliable processes

• Stay competitive

• Remain in a leading position, in view of other large initiatives.





- Most critical step
- Achieve industrial deployment rapidly and efficiently
- Establish the best synergy between different research and industrial stakeholders
- Build-up confidence



Proposals for future actions (Biofuels

• Biofuels technology initiative

An integrated program incorporating the following parts to be operated in a coordinated way:

- Concept definition and basic data acquisition
- Development : pilot plant installations
- Demonstration



• Support for demonstration

Required support



- European technology initiative (ETI)
- A detailed program has to be defined
- Funding level considered: 100 200 M€ per year*
- > Anticipated duration: 5 years*
- Legal structure and entity to be formed
- Demonstration and industrial deployment
- Funding of industrial plants not covered by ETI
- Support needed during the deployment phase
- Specific fund to be created (low interest rate loans, guarantee covering part of the risk...)

*To be assessed during next phase of TP work