

REPORT
on the activities of the Bioenergy Association of Ukraine
(01.01.2024 – 31.12.2024)

1. Improving the regulatory framework

| Event | Date |
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| Letter to the European Commission regarding the trade of biomethane outside the EU | 06.03.2024 |
| Amendments to the Customs Code of Ukraine regarding the customs clearance of biomethane have been INTRODUCED! | 20.03.2024 |
| The Committee on Energy, Housing and Utilities Services considered three draft laws, which will have an impact on the bioenergy sector! | 23.04.2024 |
| The Parliament of Ukraine has adopted a landmark law mandating the use of liquid biofuels in the transport sector! | 05.06.2024 |
| As a basis, the European integration draft law No. 9597 on amendments to the Law of Ukraine “On Alternative Fuels” regarding the creation of a register of installations that use biofuel as the only type of fuel was adopted! | 19.06.2024 |
| The National Energy and Climate Plan of Ukraine for the period up to 2030 has been approved | 25.06.2024 |
| The Verkhovna Rada accepted in the first reading and as a basis draft law No. 9596 on amendments to the Tax Code regarding the establishment of a zero rate of environmental tax for carbon dioxide emissions by installations using biofuel as the only one type of fuel. | 17.07.2024 |
| The order of the Ministry of Finance of Ukraine dated August 1, 2024, No. 380, “On Amendments to certain regulatory acts of the Ministry of Finance of Ukraine regarding customs affairs” has been published. This order defines the procedure for customs clearance of biomethane transported by pipeline transport. | 10.09.2024 |
| The NEURC has adopted amendments to the Gas Distribution System Code regarding technical conditions for connecting biomethane producers’ facilities (installations) to the gas distribution system. | 31.10.2024 |
| In total, 57 letters of appeal were prepared | |

2. Participation of UABIO members in conferences, seminars and other events, awards

| Event | Date |
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| UABIO team in training from Bureau Veritas | 29.01.2024 |
| Welcome to the UABIO team new member – Goodvalley Ukraine company! | 25.03.2024 |

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| Welcome to the UABIO team new member – SILPRO company! | 26.03.2024 |
| Welcome to the UABIO team new member – ESMIL Group! | 02.07.2024 |
| Welcome to the UABIO team new member – JETGREEN OÜ company! | 16.07.2024 |
| Welcome to the UABIO team new member – KG Group! | 26.07.2024 |
| Welcome to the UABIO team new member – PENETRON Ukraine company! | 01.08.2024 |
| Welcome to the UABIO team new member – Polish oil concern ORLEN! | 06.08.2024 |
| Welcome to the UABIO team new member – “Enerhozberezhennia Lviv” company! | 16.08.2024 |
| Welcome to the UABIO team new member — ELQ Ukraine! | 14.10.2024 |
| Welcome to the UABIO team new member — the CALDERYS group of companies! | 21.10.2024 |
| Welcome to the UABIO team new member – SAS company! | 28.10.2024 |
| Welcome to the UABIO team new member – ReGenerativeAgro company! | 05.11.2024 |
| Welcome to the UABIO team new member – DIEX company! | 19.11.2024 |
| Welcome to the UABIO team new member — LB GROUP company! | 31.12.2024 |
| Prepared 4 quarterly reports for the members of the UABIO Management Board | |
| An assessment of the needs of UABIO members was carried out. Based on the results, the information sent to UABIO members was divided into sectors. | |
| 17 new UABIO members were recruited | |
| Launch of a new communication channel for the UABIO, namely LinkedIn | |
| A UABIO business flyer was prepared to attract the attention of potential members while participating in various offline events. | |
| UABIO's German-language page was launched. | |
| UABIO's Advocacy Strategy was prepared | |

3. Analytical work, project work

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| The team of the Bioenergy Association of Ukraine in partnership with the German Biogas Association (GBA) is implementing a new project KVP | 01.02.2024 |

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| The USAID Energy Security Project (ESP), in cooperation with the Civic Union Bioenergy Association of Ukraine (UABIO), held a comprehensive Training Program for Biomethane Production in Ukraine. | 14.02.2024 |
| BIOMETHAVERSE: The second newsletter of the project | 26.03.2024 |
| The project ‘Development of Business Model for Biomethane Production in Ukraine’ is part of the ‘Innovate Ukraine - support for the energy restoration of Ukraine’ program. | 06.05.2024 |
| The project ‘Advanced biomethane production from microalgae grown in digestate from biogas plants’ is part of the ‘Innovate Ukraine - support for the energy restoration of Ukraine’ program. | 07.05.2024 |
| BIOMETHAVERSE: The third newsletter of the project | 10.05.2024 |
| As part of the implementation of the KVP Project between the Bioenergy Association of Ukraine and the Fachverband Biogas e.V. UABIO experts and members take part in a training course on biogas production. | 06.06.2024 |
| The UABIO team visited the Lagada S.A. biogas plant in Greece within the EU Biomethaverse project | 20.06.2024 |
| BIOMETHAVERSE: The fourth newsletter of the project | 21.10.2024 |
| Free feasibility study of biomethane plants within the new project | 04.12.2024 |
| BioPart — a new project with UABIO participation | 12.12.2024 |

4. Organization of specialized seminars, trainings, conferences

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| Training for the AGROCO company with the participation of the investment company “RegenerativeAgro” | 29.03.2024 |
| UABIO Head of the Board, Georgii Geletukha, spoke at the panel “Trading biomethane: Ukrainian and European expertise” of the First Ukrainian Biomethane Forum | 24.04.2024 |
| Development of the biogas and biomethane market in Ukraine: barriers, opportunities, prospects — panel discussion | 30.08.2024 |
| A joint webinar took place between the German Biogas Association (GBA) and the Bioenergy Association of Ukraine. Georgiy Geletukha, Head of the Board, and Anna Pastukh, UABIO legal expert, shared their vision for the development of the biogas and biomethane sectors in Ukraine. | 23.09.2024 |
| UABIO at Biogas PowerON 2024 in Copenhagen! | 25-26.09.2024 |
| The German Biogas Association (GBA) and the Bioenergy Association of Ukraine (UABIO) held a webinar on the topic “Biogas and Biomethane Market in Ukraine“. | 05.12.2024 |

5. Publications in mass media, scientific journals

| Event | Date |
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| The article for Ekonomichna Pravda was written by industry experts Oleksandr Dombrovskiy, Georgii Geletukha and Volodymyr Kramar. ‘How to start distributed generation in Ukraine’ | 11.04.2024 |

6. TV interviews, press conferences, videos

| Event | Date |
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| A press conference on the critical need to lift the ban on biomethane exports | 29.02.2024 |
| Ukraine can supply up to 20% of the EU’s biomethane needs — Georgii Geletukha for the BIOMETHAVERSE project | 13.09.2024 |

8. Uabio member events and activities

| Event | Date |
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| The first Ukrainian biomethane is already in the Ukrainian GTS! | 01.10.2024 |
| Vogelsang will be participating in two important international exhibitions | 07.11.2024 |
| New project: Technical Assistance for the Export of CBAM Goods from Ukraine to the EU | 13.12.2024 |

9. Assessment of the needs of UABIO members. Main results:

- The annual needs assessment is welcomed by members.
- Members expressed different views on the topic of increasing membership fees. Some of them are against the increase due to the war and the economic situation of the company. Others are satisfied with the current level of membership fees. A few members expressed the opinion that the membership fees are too low and could be increased. At the same time, most members may consider paying extra for certain services.
- New services that UABIO can offer to its members:
 - ✓ Overview of legislative news for the sector.
 - ✓ Opportunities for networking between companies.
 - ✓ Support in finding funding for bioenergy projects.
 - ✓ Offline sectoral working meetings.
 - ✓ Site visits to existing facilities and thematic workshops.
 - ✓ During the war, more attention can be paid to helping the military.
 - ✓ Increase the number of webinars, seminars and information campaigns to raise public awareness and eliminate illiteracy among the population and farmers.
 - ✓ Practical support for association members.
- More large-scale offline meetings or conferences to create information drives. Attracting more members among raw material owners: agricultural companies, forestry, woodworkers.
- More effective interaction with government agencies. Participation as a public observer is possible. As most respondents are not satisfied with the legislation in the biogas/bioenergy sector, work on its improvement could be strengthened.