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# **Greening of Energy**

Gas and Renewable Energy Sources

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# Natural Gas & Renewables Research: BIOMETHANE



### **BIOMETHANE: Enlarging Feedstock Sources**

- **Residual** biomass:
  - No seeding, cropping needed / very high GHG emission reduction possible



- Woody biomass:
  - Unused residual wood or straw for SNG production / Conversion via thermo-chemical gasification



# Natural Gas & Renewables Research: BIOMETHANE



### **BIOMETHANE: Enlarging Feedstock Sources**





#### **POWER TO GAS: From Idea to Commercial Solution**

What do we need?
H <sub>2</sub> Generation and Grid Integration:
(see German Demo Plant Falkenhagen)
+ Improvement of Electrolysis Performance
+ Evaluation of Hydrogen Tolerance
+ Test and Verification of Methanation
+ Test of H <sub>2</sub> Underground Storage
+ Business Conditions
+ New Business Models

# Natural Gas & Renewables Research: **GAS HEAT PUMPS & SOLAR/GAS SYSTEMS**

#### **Improvement of Gas Heat Pumps**

- + Reduction of size of application
- + Optimization of operation
  - (lower noise emission, wider range of modulation)
- + Increased share of renewable energy
- + Costs reduction





Source: Buderus

Source: Vaillant

### **Improvement of Storages and Entire System**

- + Compact storages
- + Higher efficiencies
- + Better integration into smart home technology



Facts & Figures*		
Condensing boilers in place:	~ 3 mill	
many in combination with solar panels		
Gas heat pumps in market since 2009		
many in combination with solar panels		
Rise in efficiency obtained:	~ 30%	

\* (German perspective)

Source: Viessmann

## Natural Gas & Renewables: Ideal Partners





#### Gas integrates renewables



#### **Fluctuation meets flexibility**



Intermitting Renewables + Flexible Gas = Stable Supply

#### Gas renews itself

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- Syn. Methane  $(4H_2 + CO_2 \rightarrow CH_4 + O_2)$ 

Greening of Energy: Gas and Renewables Energy Sources link us to the Future





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