

L16b) BIOFUELS FOR AIRPLANES: CAN IT BE TURNED INTO A GLOBAL COMMODITY?

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JET BIOFUELS: NEW GLOBAL COMMODITY?

- INTERNATIONAL BODIES AND ACTIONS FOR CO₂ EMISSIONS REDUCTION
- APPROVAL AND CERTIFICATION OF "DROP-IN" JET BIOFUELS
- **FAPESP'S PROJECT: "SUSTAINABLE AVIATION BIOFUEL FOR BRAZIL"**
- PROJECT CONTEXT & DRIVES
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Aviation Industry and CO₂ Emissions

- Vital engine of global economic growth supporting over 58 million jobs and US\$2.4 trillion in gross domestic product
- Currently, aviation operations produce around 2% of human CO₂ emissions
- Expected average growth for the next 30 years about 4,5% p.a.
- The participation on CO₂ emissions could increase to 12% by 2050, unless some strong actions are taken



Aviation's Global Stakeholders

- International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) -UN specialized agency for aviation comprising 191 member states;
- Air Transport Action Group representing:
 - Airports Council International
 - International Air Transport Association (IATA)
 - Civil Air Navigation Services Organisation
 - International Coordinating Council for Aerospace Industries Association
 - International Business Aviation Council



The Aviation Industry Vision

Aviation industry vision to reduce CO₂ emissions

The aviation industry will have, in the next 20-40 years, a transition towards the use of sustainable biofuels in substitution of petroleum-based jet fuels. The use of biofuels in aviation will have to be effective, efficient, and advantageous from the environmental, social and economic points of view, in order to consolidate the expansion of the aviation industry worldwide.



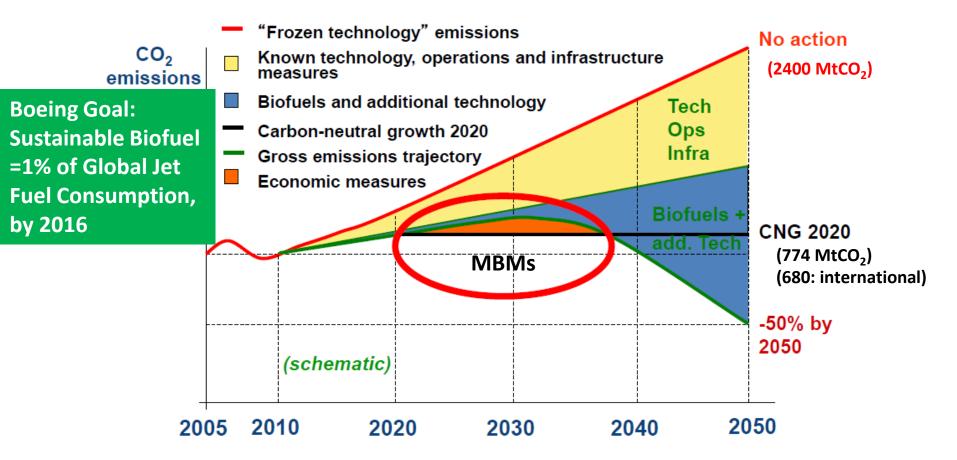
Aviation's Climate Actions (Commitments at Climate Summit 2014 – UN)

- 1. New, more efficient, aircraft technology and sustainable alternative fuels;
- 2. Operational improvements to reduce CO₂ emissions from aircraft already in service;
- 3. Better use of infrastructure, particularly air traffic management; and
- 4. Designing an effective, global, market-based measure for international aviation.

Climate Summit 2014 – UN Headquarters, New York, Sept./2014



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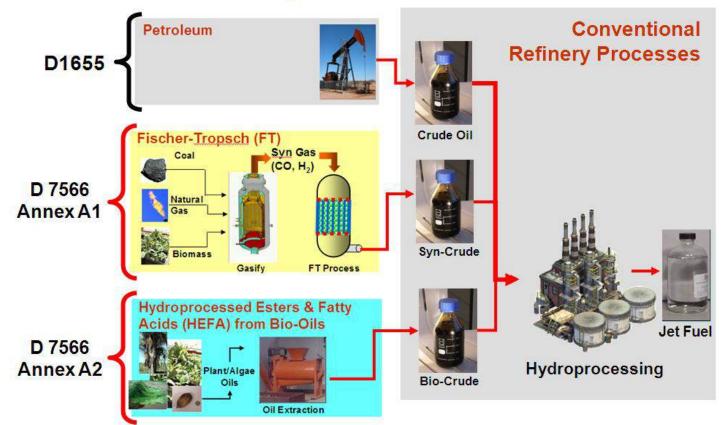


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Approved Routes for Jet Biofuel

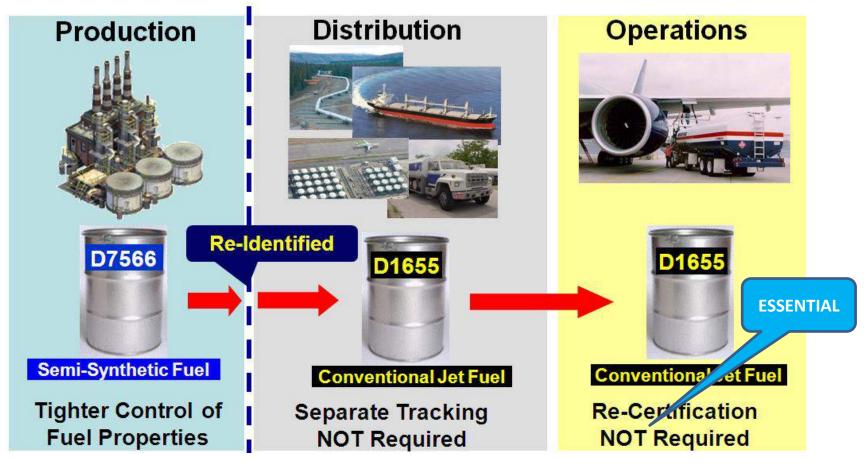
Jet biofuels must be hydrocarbons fully compatible with existing aircraft and fuel distribution facilities ASTM Aviation Fuel Specifications



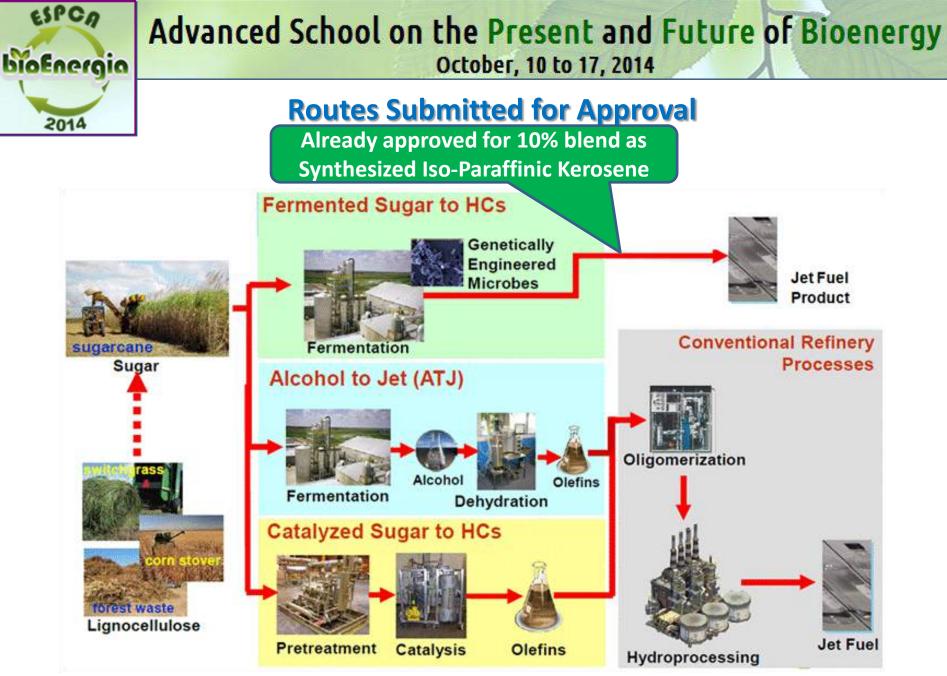
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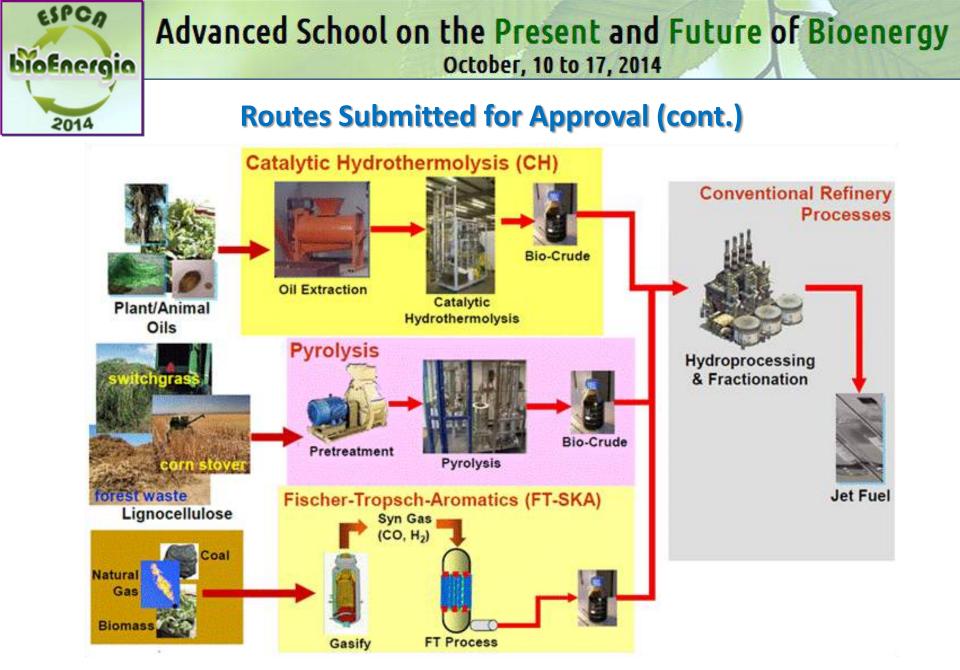
Re-Identification of Jet Biofuel as Jet FuelD7566 Enables Drop-In Fuel



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Widely accepted procedures

ASTM D4054 - Standard Practice for Qualification and Approval of New Aviation Turbine Fuels and Fuel Additives

ASTM D7566 - Standard Specification for Aviation Turbine Fuel Containing Synthesized Hydrocarbons

"Drop-in biofuels" are biofuels that when blended with conventional jet fuel up to the ratio defined by the fuel specification, can use the same supply infrastructure and do not require adaptation of aircraft or engines.

In Brazil, ANP Resolution Nr 20/2013 endorses ASTM Standards

SUSTAINABLE AVIATION BIOFUELS FOR BRAZIL Flightpath for Aviation Biofuels in Brazil

Unless stated otherwise the following data were pulled out from Fapesp's Project: Sustainable Aviation Biofuels for Brazil

an initiative of Boeing, Embraer, FAPESP e UNICAMP

"Roadmap for Sustainable Aviation Biofuels for Brazil" full report coordinated by Cortez is being printed

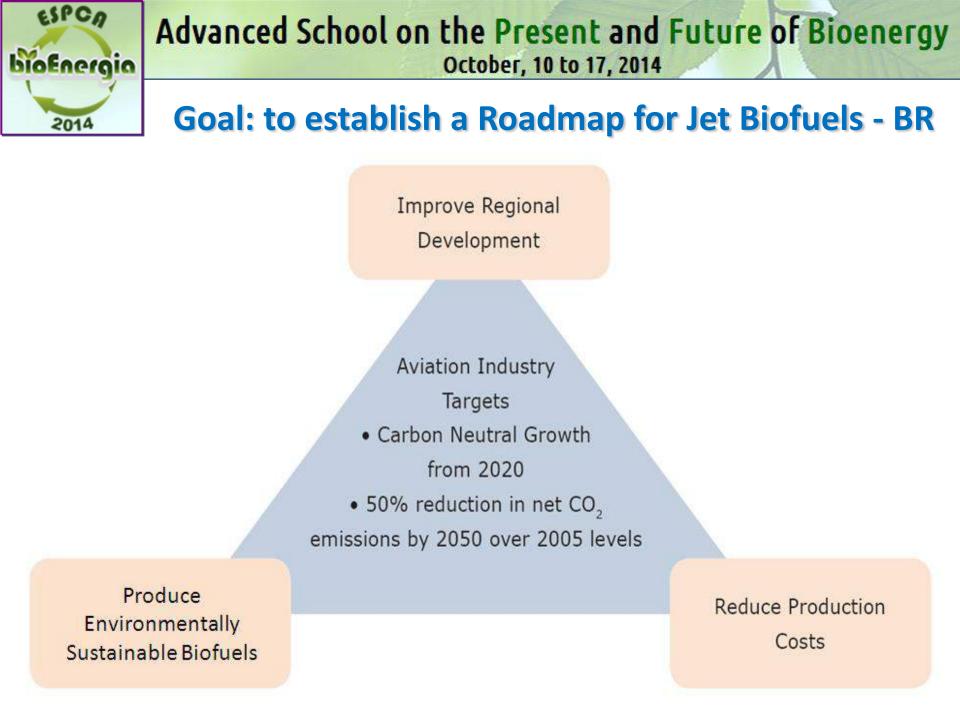












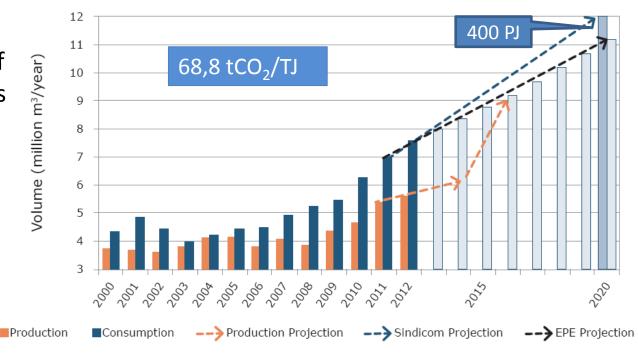


Civil Aviation Perspective

- The civil aviation is absolutely essential to the global economy;
- In Brazil air transportation is growing rapidly, higher than the global average, and is currently forecasted to become the 4th largest domestic air traffic market in the world by 2014;

Energy and Aviation

The energy demand of the aviation industry is almost totally focused on petroleum-based jet fuel made to be used in jet turbines with efficiency and safety.

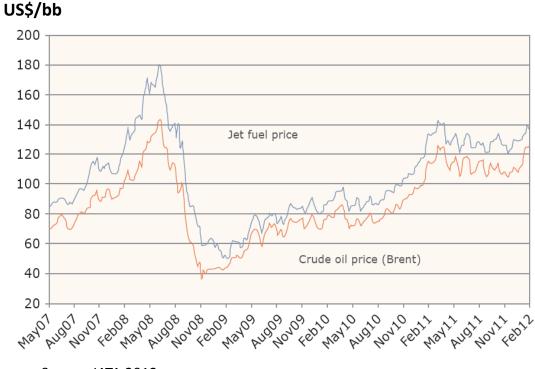




Energy Cost and Aviation

Energy and Aviation

Fuel represents the most important operational cost for an airline. As a world average fuel currently represents 34% of the operational costs (compared with 10-15% in the past decade), but in Brazil it is higher, representing around 40% of the operational cost for the airlines.



Source: IATA 2012

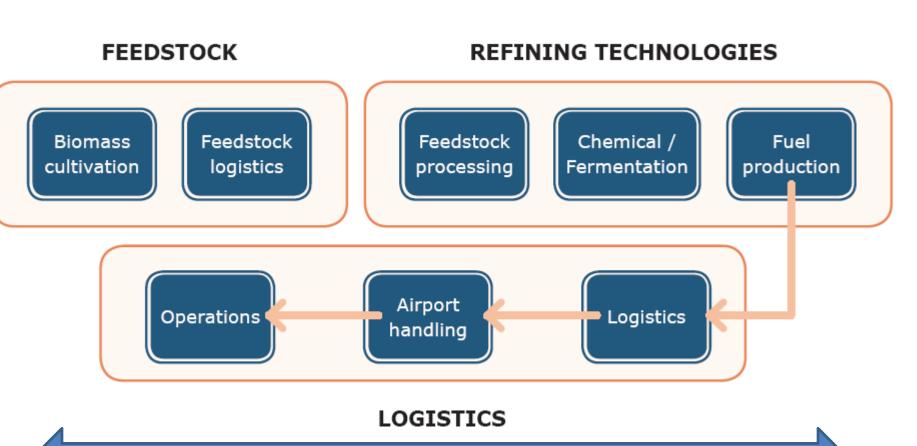


- about half of the total primary energy comes from renewable sources, mainly hydro, sugarcane and wood. The importance of the sugarcane bioenergy is high; in 2011 it accounted for 15.7% of the national energy supply (42.8 Mtoe), and in the road transportation sector, biofuels were responsible for about 19% of the total energy consumption;
- In 2013, pure ethanol can be used by 20 million Brazilian vehicles (mostly cars with flex-fuel engines), around 50% of the national light vehicle fleet;

Brazil's exceptional advantage

Using only 0.5% of its territory to produce sugarcane bioethanol, Brazil is substituting nearly 1/3 of the fuel energy consumed by its light vehicle fleet.

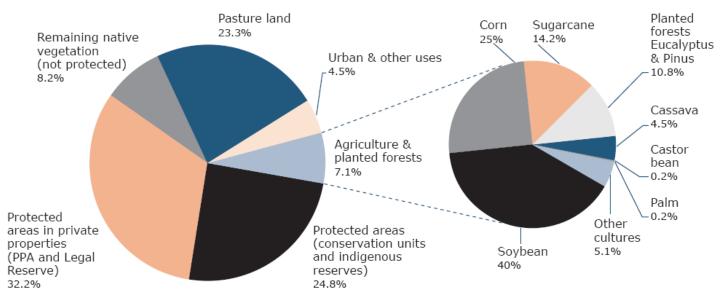




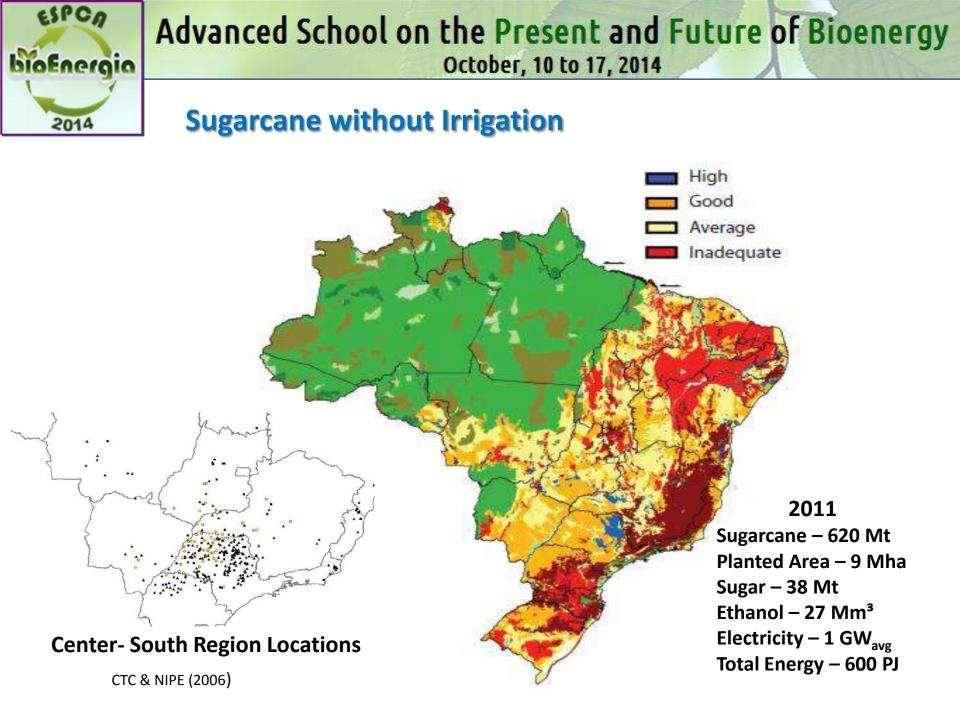
SUSTAINABILITY over all components, but critical on FEEDSTOCKS



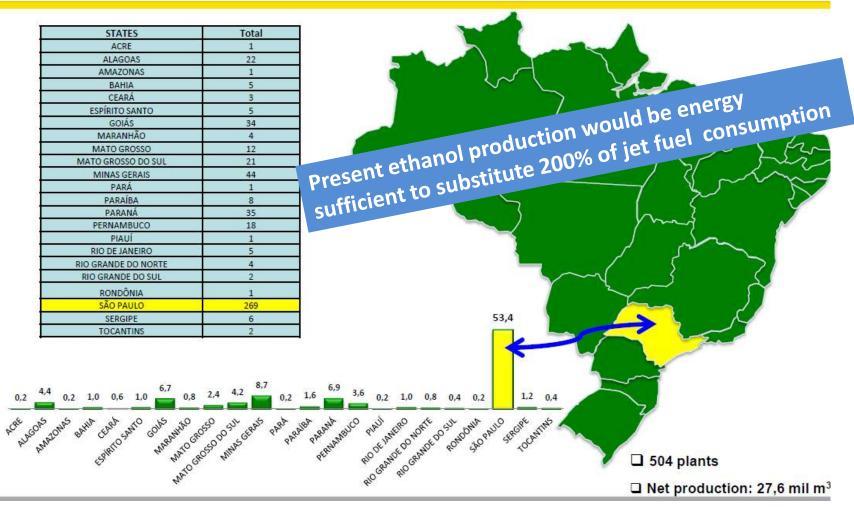
Brazil has a strong agricultural tradition and is among the world's leading producers and exporters of many agricultural products, and this relevant position was attained due to abundant land, good climate conditions, long-term investment in research and development, and an entrepreneurial private sector.



Brazil total area: 850 Mha



Ethanol Production



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