# Finnish energy transition – from fossil to bioenergy and bioeconomy

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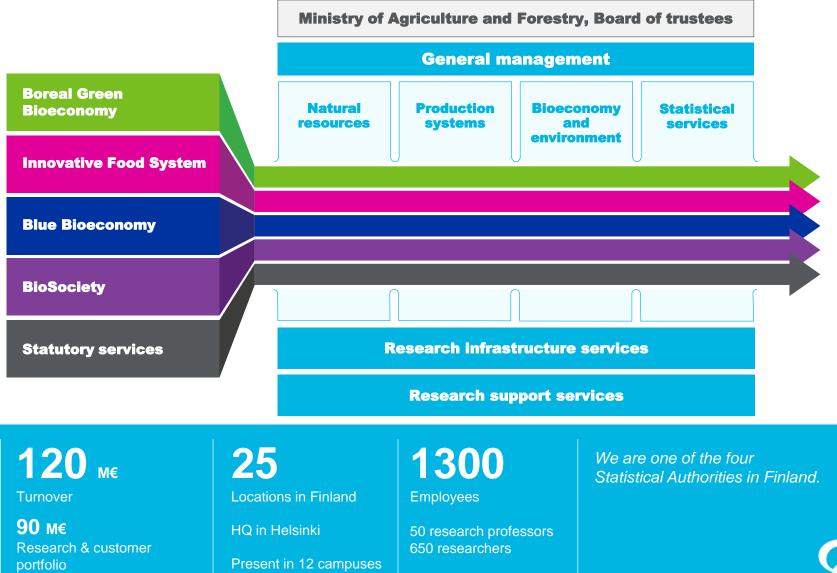


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# **Boreal Green Bioeconomy**

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#### **Genomics and breeding**

- Genomic understanding of key quality parameters of boreal species
- Precision breeding
- Development of breeding methodologies (genomic selection, genome editing)
- Technologies for modern breeding (somatic embryogenesis, automatisation)

#### Sustainable biomass production

- Intensification of biomass production
- Forest management concepts
- Abiotic and biotic
  risk management
- Environmental impacts of forestry

#### Forest resource supply management

- Reginal scenarios and models
- Active, sustainable and climate smart forest and land use planning
- Operational efficiency in wood sourcing and silviculture
- Reduction of adverse impacts of wood harvesting

#### Value-added bioeconomy products and processes

- Formation and location of structures and compounds of biomass (Biorefinery potential of biomass),,
- · Valorisation of secondary streams and by-products, bioenergy
- Wood products, green building and living with wood



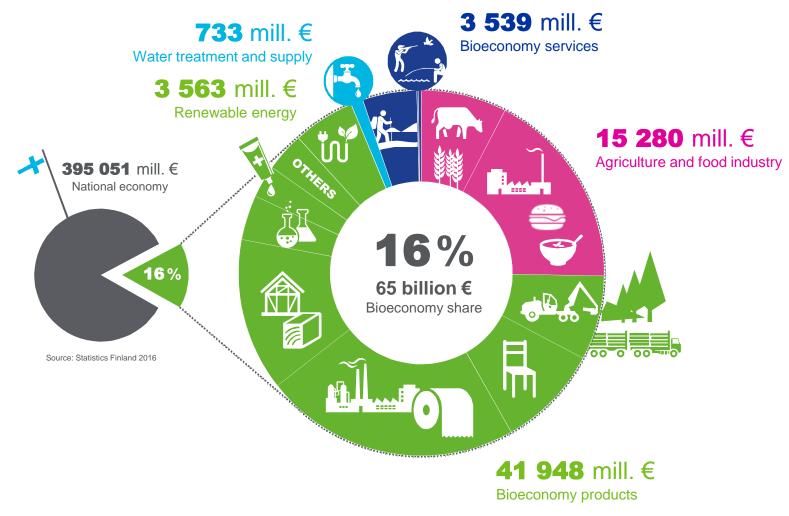


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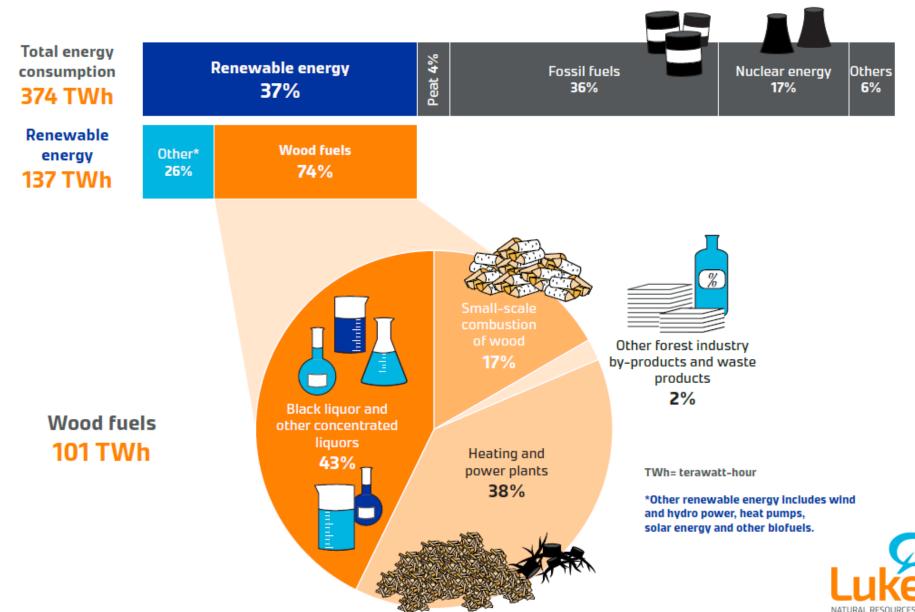
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#### Bioeconomy in Finland 1m<sup>3</sup> of wood generates 200€ added value



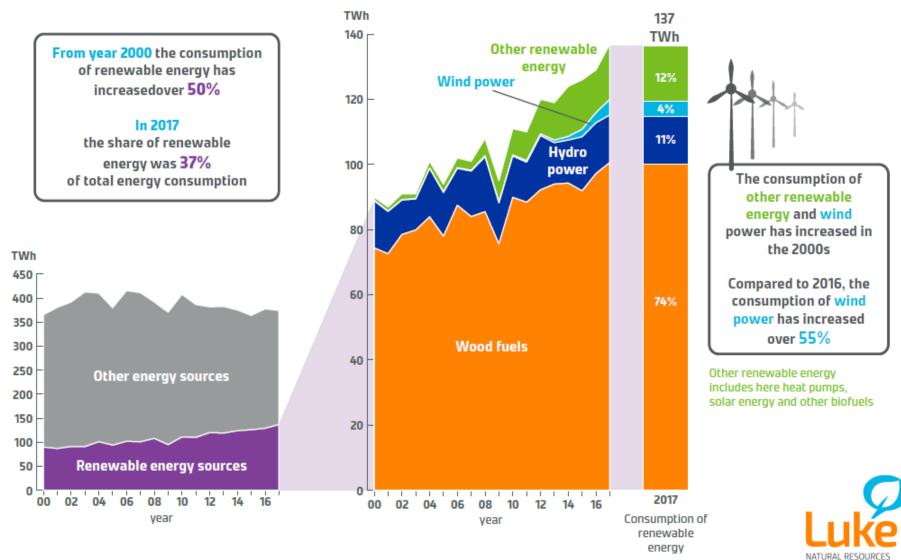
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#### **CONSUMPTION OF WOOD FUELS 2017**



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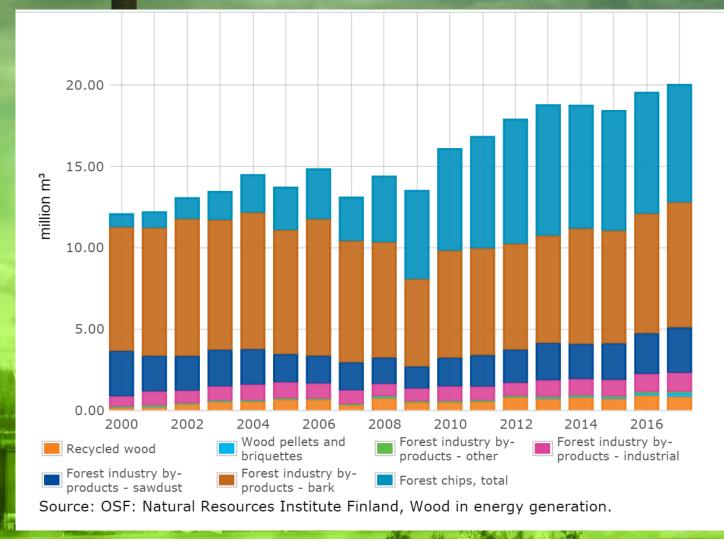
#### TOTAL RENEWABLE ENERGY CONSUMPTION BY ENERGY SOURCE



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Source: Statistics Finland

#### Rapid growth of use forest chips for energy







## What induced the rapid growth of bio-based energy? 2000 2008 Rovaniemi Rovaniemi • Ó Combined heat and power production Heat production uopio enranta enranta



# Outrageous investments in bioenergy R&D in 1990's ja 2000's

- Large technology programmes with concrete objectives
  - High industry involvement and technology development: Bioenergy
  - Technology for sourcing and combustion of biomass: Wood energy technology
  - Subsequently: Markets and bio-based business: Climbus
- C.a. 20 R&D programmes in total for bioenergy
- IEA lists almost 100 policies and measures that Finland has been using to promote renewable energies and carbon free technologies
  - <u>https://www.iea.org/policiesandmeasures/pams/finland/</u>



#### Wood Energy Technology Programme 1999-2003

- Create the economic conditions to increase annual use of forest chips fivefold, i.e. to 2.5 million cubic metres by 2003.
- The energy produced from forest chips would amount to about 5 TWh, i.e. close to 0.5 Mtoe.
- A parallel target is to improve the **quality of wood fuels**.
- The total budget for the years 1999 -2003 was
  € 42 million



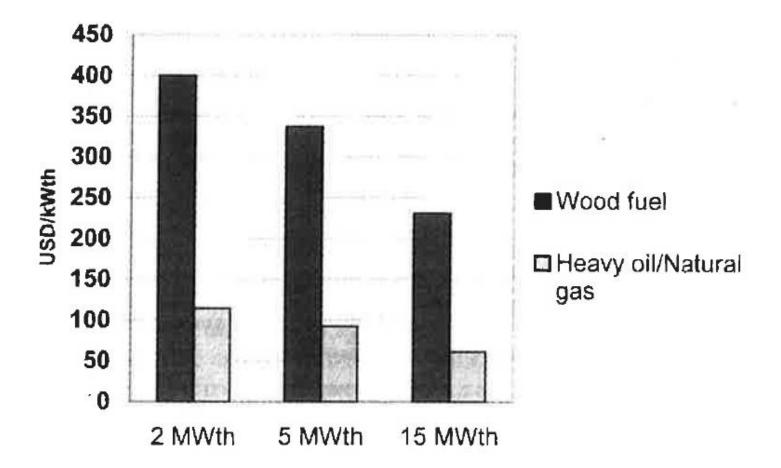


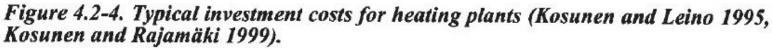
#### ClimBus technology programme 2004-2008

- Aim: Finnish companies as internationally important suppliers of technology and services related to climate change mitigation.
- Target: Net sales of ClimBus participants at 7 billion euros, up from 4.5 billion euros in 2006.
- Clean energy production and business services
- Technologies for energy efficiency CO2 free technology
- Business and technology roadmap for renewable energy by 2010



#### Investment subsidy ignited the markets







# Sirkkala Energy Park



Sirkkala Energy Park in Joensuu, Finland is a real-life R&D environment at Karelia UAS. It is located near the campus area and offers an easily-accessible learning and benchmarking environment for students and visitors. Sirkkala Energy Park provides a large set of technical solutions for testing and development, such as:

- Mobile Volter CHP unit with real-time monitoring and 3D- modelling
- Combined wood log/pellet boiler
- Nano-CHP wood pellet boiler (single household size!)
- Large collection of solar collectors and panels
- Wood fuel dryer
- A wide variety of laboratory equipment and analyzers



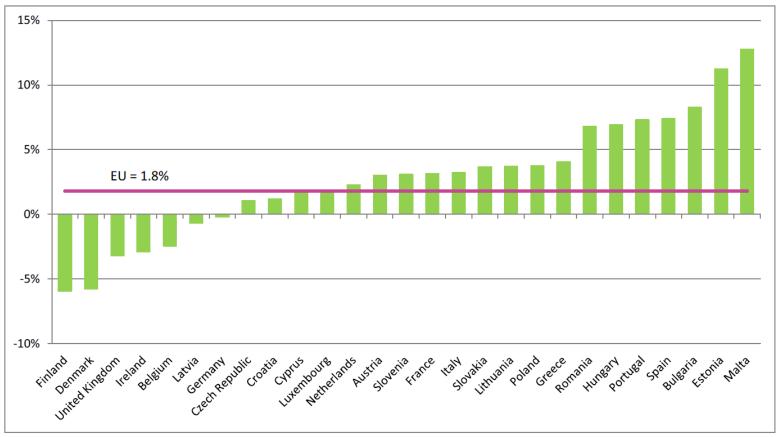


#### Luke's International Wood Energy Projects



# Finland cuts its emissions despite rapid GDP growth

Change in CO<sub>2</sub> emissions, 2017/2016 (estimated)





#### From bioenergy of bioeconomy

2010's trend: Renaissance of the Finnish Forest Industry

- Bioenergy investments are still continuing
- Electricity market has turned unfavorable for bio-based electricity
  - Wind power, high storage levels in water systems
  - In 2019 prices are rising

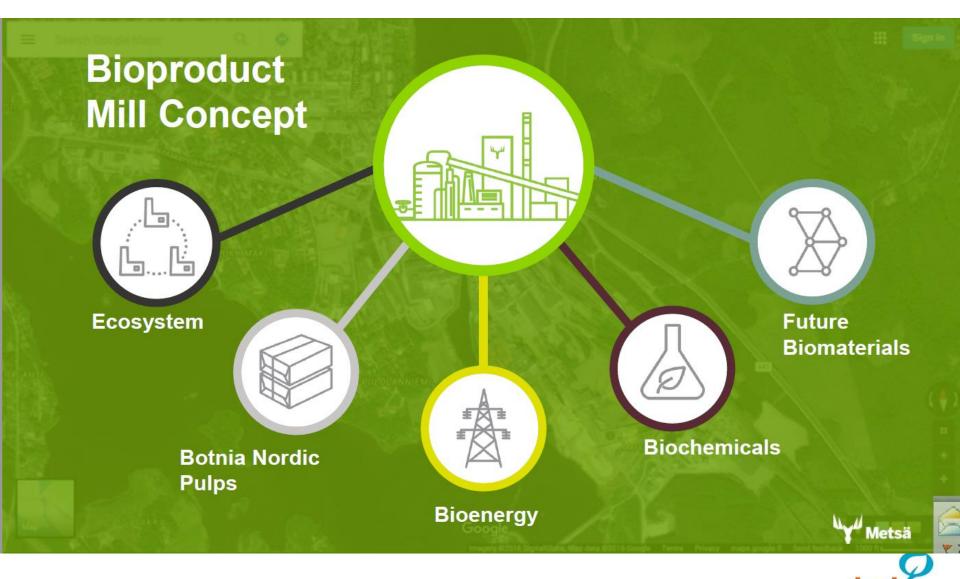
#### Use of industrial wood residues for energy production is increasing

- Cost efficiency by improved utilization of existing harvest and transport fleet responds to increasing and diversified raw material demand
- Integration of dispersed information systems to rationalize the logistic of operations
- Balancing seasonal fluctuation of procurement operations and reducing of soil damage



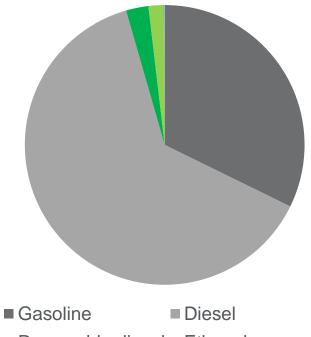


#### **Bioproduct mill concept – Metsä Group**

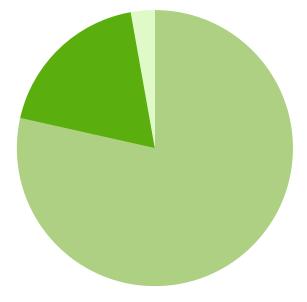


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# Only 5% of transport is green in Finland, production in 2016 totalled 535ktoe



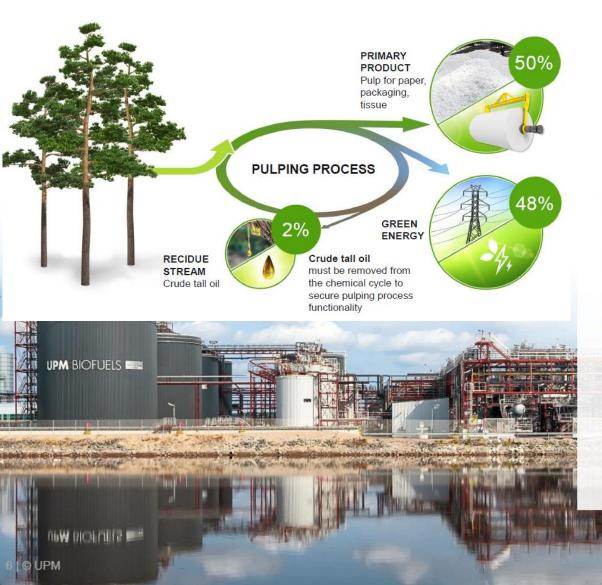
- Renewable diesel Ethanol
- Gas Biogas
- Electricity



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#### Wood-based diesel – UPM Concept





#### Key facts:

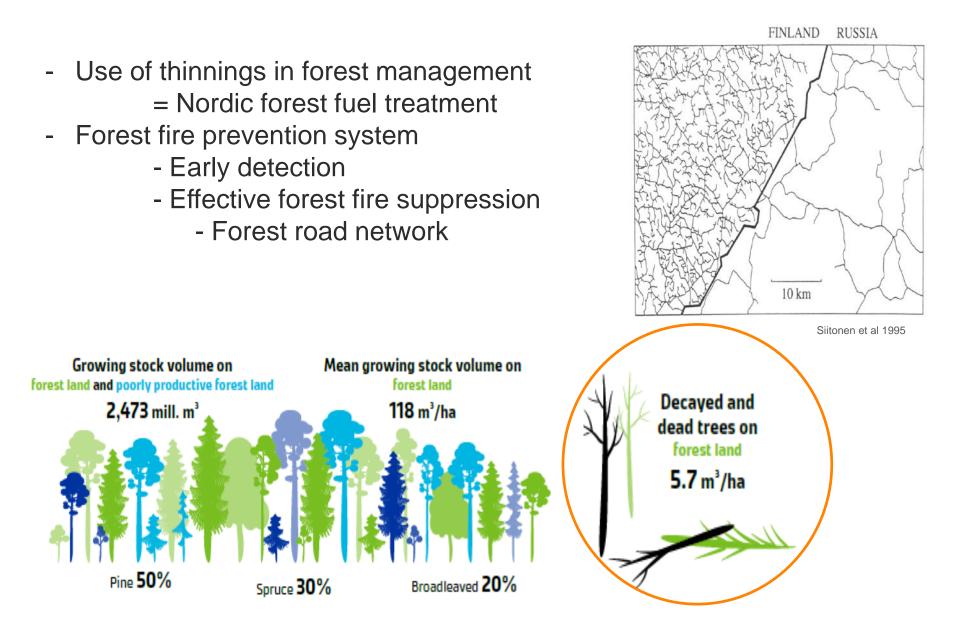
- Product: Renewable diesel
- UPM investment: 175 M€
- Capacity: 120 million litres/a
- UPM Patents & Applications: 200
- Employment: 200 persons
- Contributes approximately 25% of Finland's biofuel target 2020

### **Pyrolysis oil concept – Fortum&Valmet**

- Annual production capacity 50 000 tonnes of oil (Joensuu unit)
- Annual wood use 250 000 solid m<sup>3</sup> per year (100 000 dry tonnes)
- Overall energy efficiency of the integrated system: 90%
- Investment cost: 32M€, subsidised 8M€ by state.



#### Forest fires and forest management in Finland



# Finnish bioenergy 2030

- Towards carbon-free and renewable energysystem costefficiently
- Renewable energy will be increased to more than 50 % during the 2020s
- This will be achieved by increasing the production and technology of liquid biofuels and biogas
- Coal will no longer be used in energy production
- The use of oil will be cut by 50% during the 2020s.
- The share of renewable transport fuels will be raised to 40 % by 2030.
  - Clarification: Double counting for advanced biofuels, taking into consideration also electricity



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# Heat 80-150 kW



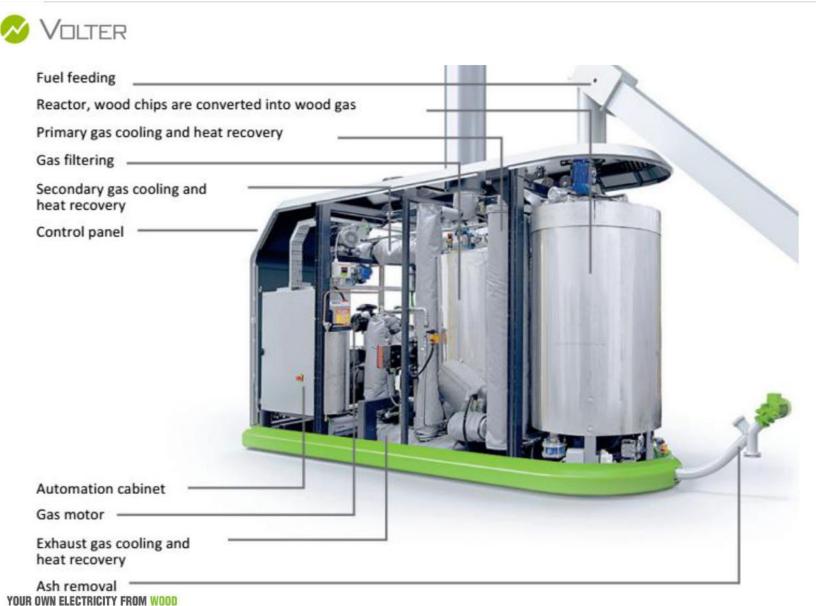
## Heat 2 MW



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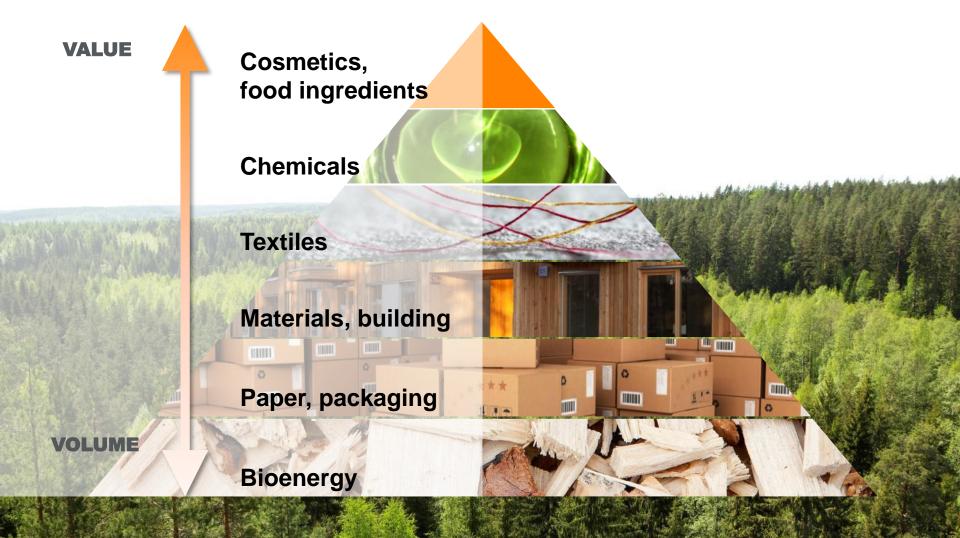
- Nominal rating: 500-2 000 kW
- Silo volume: 40-120m<sup>3</sup>
- Outer dimensions: (height 4.5 m)

# Electricity 40 kW, heat 225 kW



# **Towards a multiproduct bioeconopy** Sustainable utilization of the raw materials to various products with different values,

no waste production



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