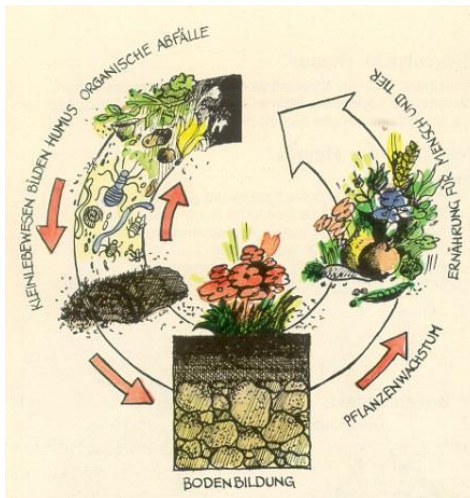


Policy, concept and strategy on biowaste management – Bulgarian approach

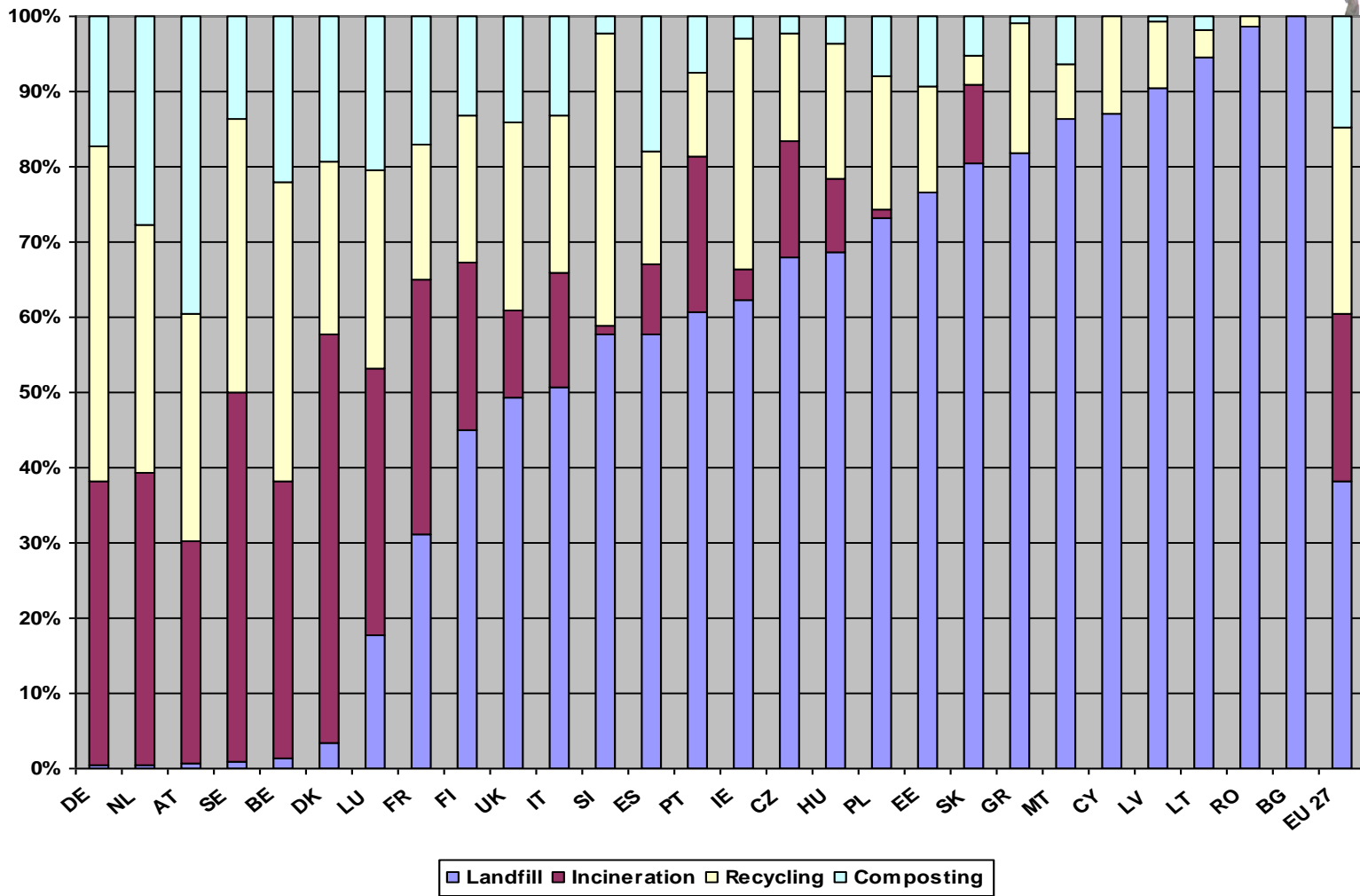
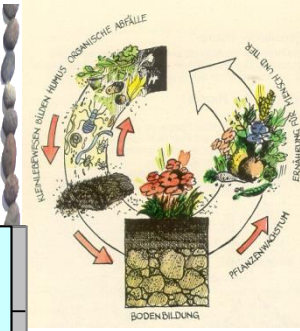


European Experience Transfer into Eastern Europe Conditions

- Poznan, 08 October 2013
- Grigor Stoyanov, Florian Amlinger



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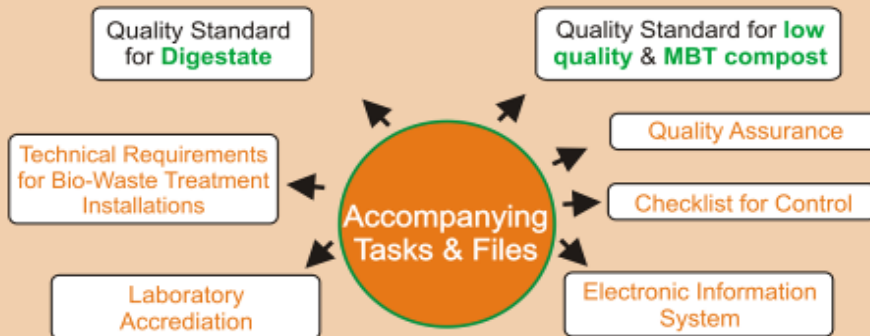


BIOWASTE MANAGEMENT STRATEGY BULGARIA

Legislation/Framework



Technology/Standards



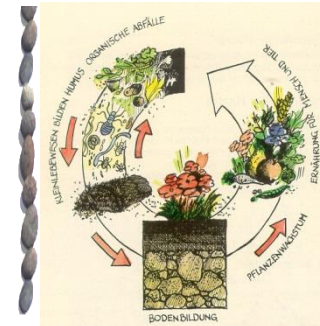
Policy/Plans



Information



Association „KE&B - UV&P”
Project No TA-2011-KPOS-PP-78
- Biowaste Management -



The project

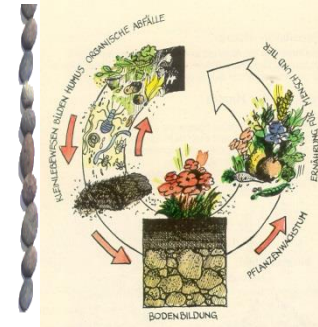
- The logic of the project STAGES representing key elements of the envisaged Bulgarian Biowaste Strategy and its implementation
 - Legislation
 - Accompanying technical standards and guidelines
 - Adapting policy instruments and reporting schemes
 - Training & support



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Biowaste Strategy



● The Model

- Scenarios and options how establish a mandatory scheme for separate collection:
 - full obligation vs. (regional targets)
 - Household +/- commercial sources; municipal green waste; Industrial waste; Quality certified sewage sludge
- Door to door collection and bring systems (recycling centres)
- Capacity planning and building
- Decentralized biowaste treatment infrastructure
- Responsibilities of local and regional authorities
- Biowaste Ordinance: QAS & NQAS
- Awareness raising + Public Relation



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Implementing Directive 99/31 and art. 11 + 22 of WFD



- **Bans on biodegradables to landfills (e.g. BR, US)**
 - Most stringent provisions
 - May lack flexibility
 - Requires codified thresholds for acceptance at landfills
- **Obligation on separate collection**
 - On Municipalities (e.g. NL) – may be deceived with poor performing / low participation systems
 - On households (e.g. AT) – very effective, if stringent control possible
 - May require phased implementation
- **Targets for sep. collection / composting / recycling**
 - Specific biowaste processing targets (e.g. Sweden)
 - General recycling + composting targets (IT & UK)
 - Result-oriented + flexible



Sep. Collection and recycling targets for biowaste – Italian model for Bulgaria



25% of biowaste by year 2016

50% of biowaste by year 2020

70% of biowaste by year 2025

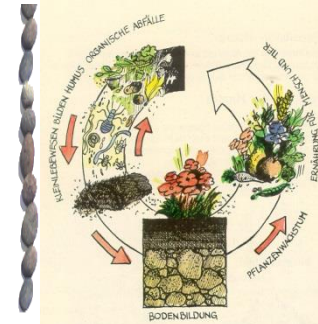
- Relative to the quantity of municipal biowaste as generated in year 2014 (base-line year)
- recycling = composting or anerobic digestion



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Obligations of local authorities



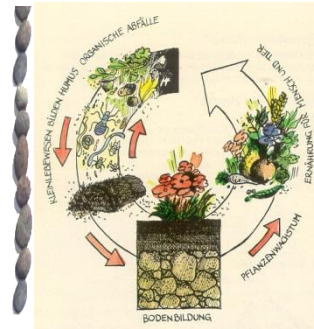
- **The Mayors** of the single municipalities included in a WMR **jointly ensure** the provision conditions for performing recovery operations of separately collected bio-waste
- Municipalities of a WMA can develop a **joint regional waste management program**.
- **Each Municipality** (i.e. mayor) **shall include in their waste management programme a plan for separate collection** of biowaste including at least:
 1. **phased implementation plan for introduction of separate collection of biowaste from households and similar institutions**
 2. **program for the phased implementation of separate collection of biowaste from other sources than municipal**
 3. **plan for the location and installation of biowaste treatment plants in the territory of WMR**



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Biowaste management in waste management regions/associations

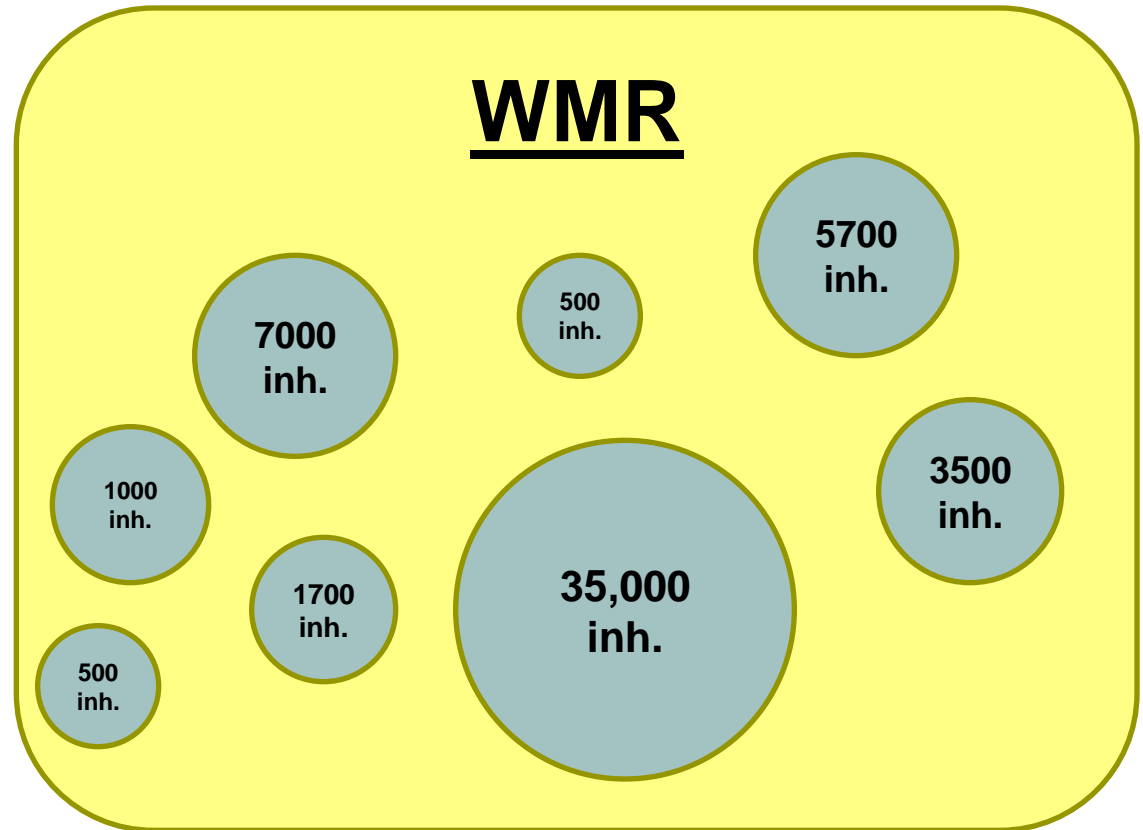


Options for single municipalities

Separate Collection from households and similar sources

Home composting (i.e. no or only partly separate collection)

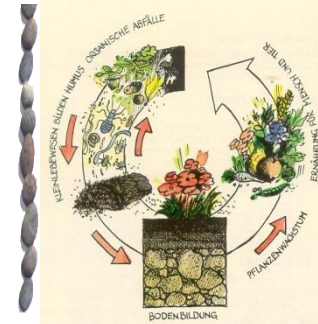
Sep. Collection for large producers only



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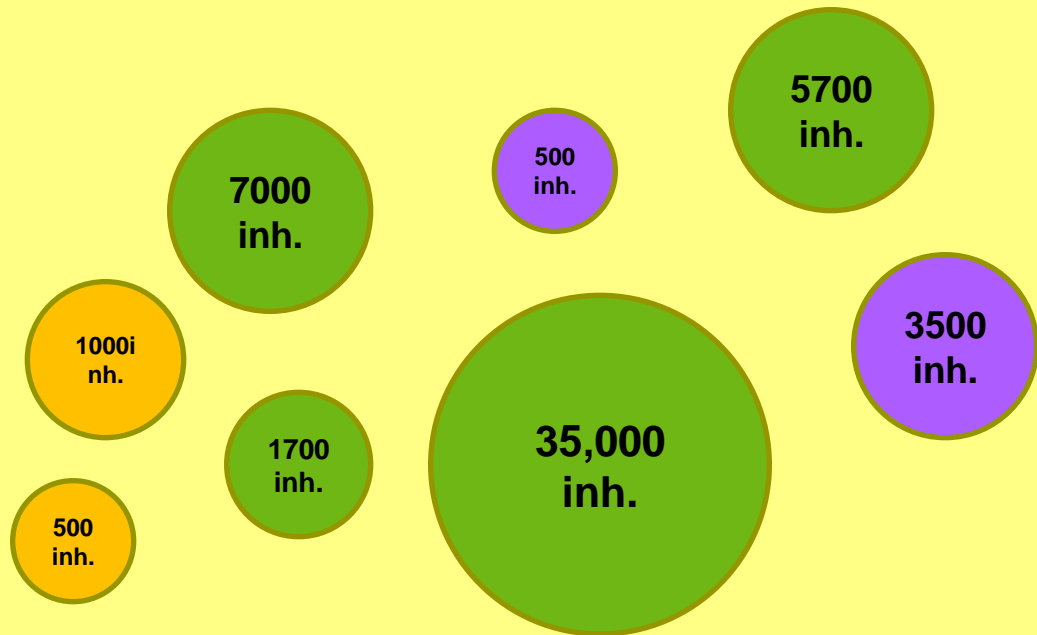
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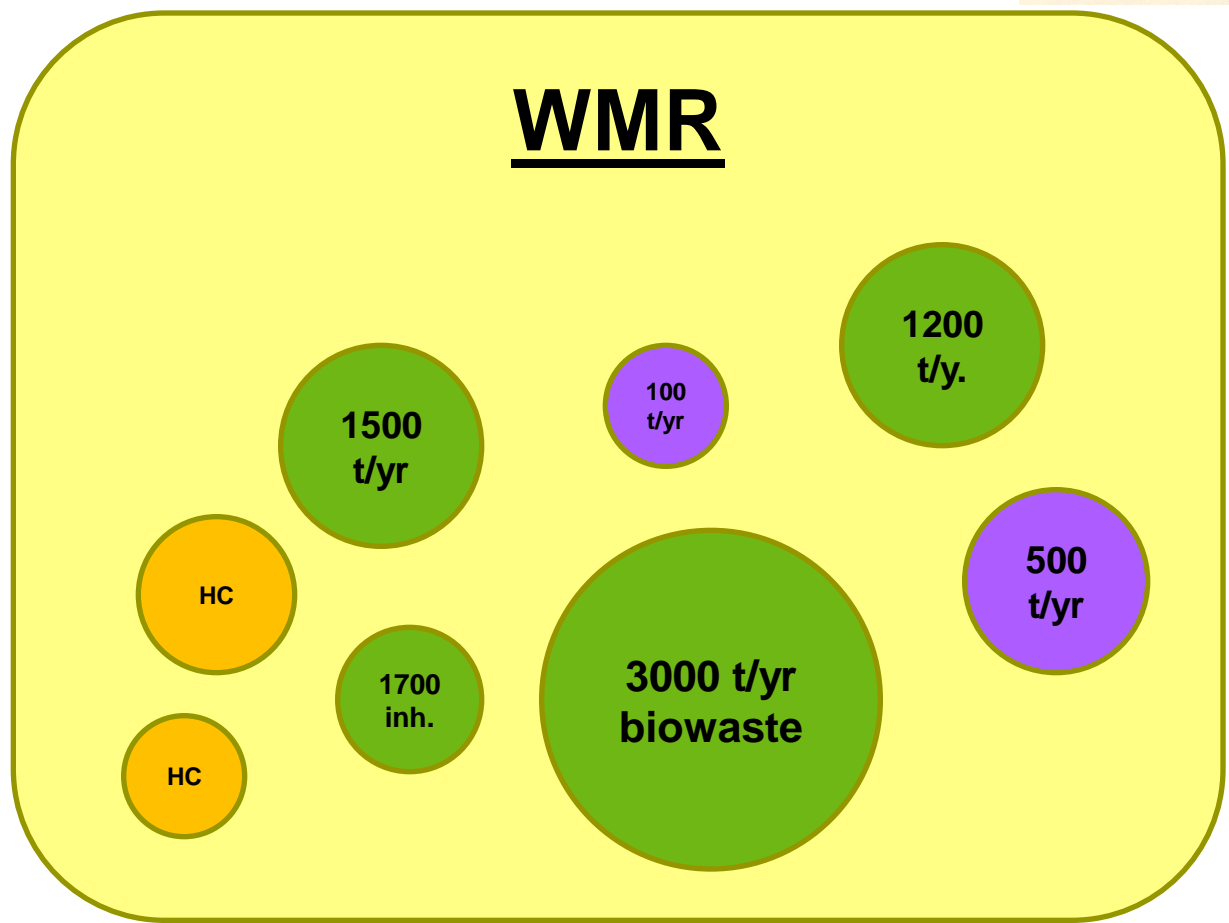
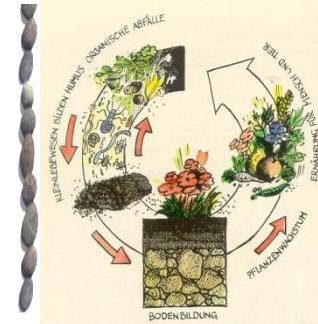
Sep. Collection for shops, restaurants only



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Biowaste management: targets for single municipalities:



Options for single municipalities

Sep. Collection = 7400 ton

Home composting for 2 municipalities

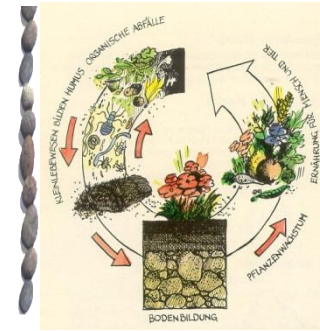
Sep. Collection for large producers in 2 municipalities



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Stage I – Decentralised composting Austrian model for Bulgaria (2)



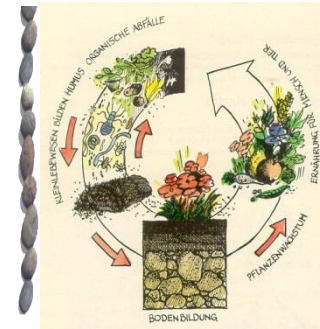
	Total composting plants	On- farm / agricultural plants	Municipal plants	Industrial plants
Number	454	292 (64%)	89 (20%)	73 (16%)
Total treatment yr ⁻¹	976,000 t	308,000 t (32%)	237,300 t (24%)	431,000 t (44%)
Average capacity yr ⁻¹	2,800 t	1,100 t	2,700	5,900 t



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Capacity building – a model for decentralised composting



	Nr. Comp. plants	Biowaste treated	Served population	Produced compost	Agricultural land needed
Decentralise plants	321	385,000 t	2,750,000	154,000 t	10,000 ha
All plants incl. OPE projects	374	1,031,140 t	7,365,286	412,500 t	27,000
% decentralise plants (incl. OPE projects)	86%	37% of total potential treated in agriculture comp. plants			

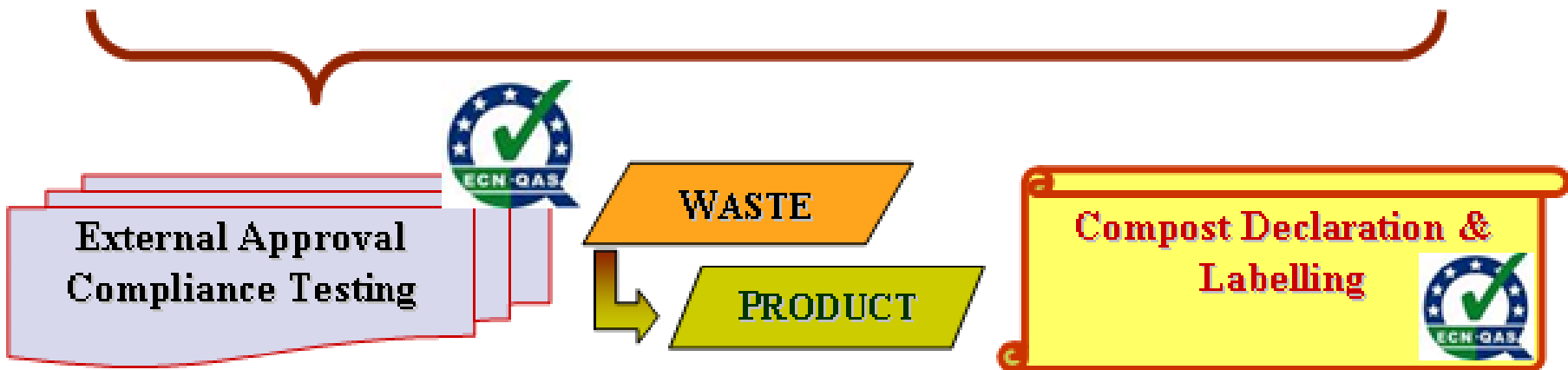
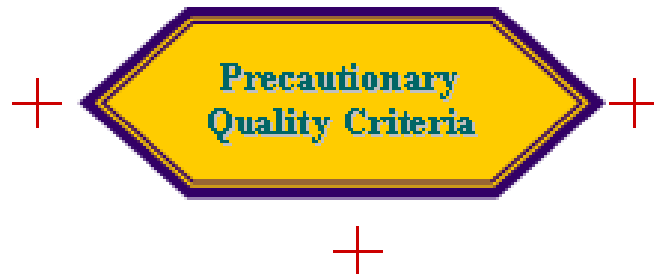
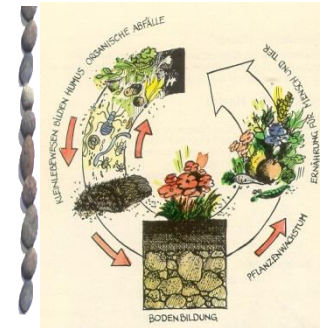


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Draft Ordinance

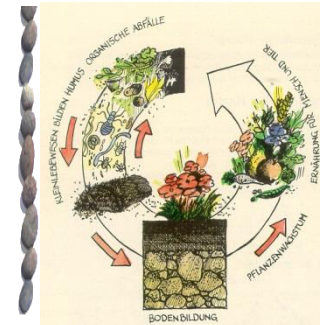
BASIC CONCEPT



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Draft Ordinance – Quality Concept I



- **Compost** may be produced from **source separated Biowaste (<10% impurities)** and/or **quality certified Sewage Sludge** and may include **Additives** and shall meet **strict limits** for *heavy metals* and *impurities*

= **Product**

- **Organic Soil Amendment** may be produced from **source separated Biowaste (<10% impurities)** and/or **quality certified Sewage Sludge** and may include **Additives** and shall meet **less strict limits** for *heavy metals* and *impurities*

= **Waste**

- **Stabilised MBT Output** may be produced from **Mixed Municipal Waste Fractions, Biowaste (>10% impurities)** **Sewage Sludge** (Decree No. 339)

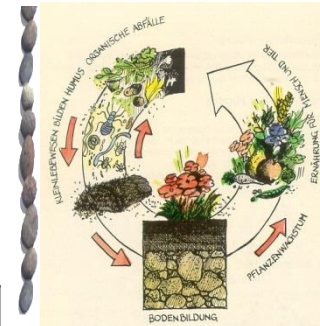
= **Waste**



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Precautionary Quality Criteria – Heavy Metals



	Multi-Functional Agricultural Use – Food Production --- PRODUCT			Restricted Use WASTE
	Proposal End of Waste	“Compost” “Digestate”	7 YEARS Transition	Organic Soil Conditioner & Stabilised MBT Output
Cadmium (Cd)	1.5	1.3	2.0	3.0
Chromium (Cr)	100	60	100	200
Cr - VI	---	---	---	---
Copper (Cu)	100/200	100/200 *	100/250 *	400
Mercury (Hg)	1	0.45	1.0	2.0
Nickel (Ni)	50	40	80	100
Lead (Pb)	120	130	180	250
Zinc (Zn)	400/600	400/600 *	400/800 *	1200

* **COPPER** and **ZINC** are classified as essential nutrients.
 Values above the first values shall be declared.



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Quality Criteria for **COMPOST**



- Additional requirements for composts related to the specified use areas

- → **ANNEX 2 'Quality Criteria': USE related QUALITY REQUIREMENTS**
 - Organic Matter ... > 15%
 - Electrical Conductivity → **growing media, private gardening** ... < 3 mS/cm
 - Max. particle size ... < 40 mm
 - Impurities – plastics, metals, glass
 - **agriculture, private gardening, sports fields** ... < 0.5% (transitional: 1.0%)
 - **land reclamation** ... < 1.0%
 - Plant response / Germination Test
 - **growing media, private gardening** ... 80 – 90% of standard substrate
 - Viable seeds / weeds → **growing media, private gardening** ... < 2 per Litre
 - Pathogenic indicators → **ALL products** ... no Salmonella in 25 g
 - + **ABP** + ... E. coli < 1000 CFU/ g



Time – Temperature Regime ... flexible ... well experienced and investigated !

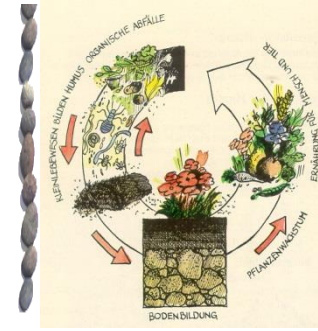


Composting system	°C	Time	Further conditions
OPEN windrows	> 55 °C 65 °C	10 days 3 days	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • At least 3 to 5 times of physical agitation (turning) • > 40 to 55% moisture • Min 6 – 8 weeks composting
CLOSED Systems	60 °C	3 days	
ANAEROBIC Digestion thermophile	> 55 °C	24 h 20 days	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Followed by composting • see above
ANAEROBIC Digestion mesophile	< 40 °	28 days	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Followed by composting • see above



Quality Assurance

Elements for National Implementation



Legislation & Standards

Ordinance on Separate Collection
Input material

Compost Ordinance
Quality & control criteria

Permits
Waste / ABPR / Environment ...

State of the Art of Composting
Techn. & Operation

Quality Assurance

National Standard
QUALITY ASSURANCE
System for Compost (QAS)
= Criteria & Operation

National Quality Assurance
Organisation
for Compost (NQAO)
= Bodies & Administration



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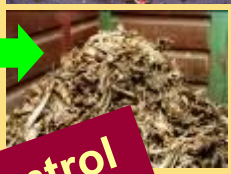
Registered Composting Plant

Storage

Mixing

Conditioning

batch composition ...
batch monitoring ...
°C, turning, watering ...



INPUT

Receipt Control

Residues

Compost = Product



QM: the principle of a traceably documented process

THANK YOU FOR ATTENTION!

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