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Foreword

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Introduction

The technical committee on biogas (ISO/TC 255) was established in 2011 in order to

- provide liberalization and facilitation for international trade of biogas installations,
- contribute to international cooperation on technical regulations, standards and assessment procedures,
- curb discriminatory technical requirements as the main form of trade protectionism, and
- reduce and eliminate the technical barriers for international trade of biogas installations.

This document about terms, definitions and classifications is applicable for biogas production by anaerobic digestion, gasification from biomass and power to gas from biomass sources, biogas conditioning, biogas upgrading and biogas utilization.

The availability of a set of agreed terms and definitions for biogas installations, as well as a classification scheme for the whole biogas chain, is necessary in order to

- moderate the communication between the different biogas parties through meaningful discussions,
- facilitate development of regional and national regulations and incentive programs to promote biogas production and application,
- contribute to the reinforcement of biogas installations' safety and business competitiveness with recognized terms and definitions that clarify the actors' expectations related to procurement, contracts and services as well as reporting on biogas related action plans and road maps, and
- contribute to the use of standards by facilitating their development and furthering the users' understanding and application of standards.

ISO/TC 255 intends to promote international technology exchange and to accelerate international application of biogas (products) and equipment by developing and maintaining globally harmonized standards.

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1 Scope

This document defines terms and describes classifications related to biogas production by anaerobic digestion, gasification from biomass and power to gas from biomass sources, biogas conditioning, biogas upgrading and biogas utilization from a safety, environmental, performance and functionality perspective, during the design, manufacturing, installation, construction, testing, commissioning, acceptance, operation, regular inspection and maintenance phases.

Biogas installations are, among others, applied at industrial plants like food and beverage industries, waste water treatment plants, waste plants, landfill sites, small scale plants next to agricultural companies and small scale household installations.

The following topics are excluded from this document:

- boilers, burners, furnaces and lightening, in case these are not specifically applied for locally produced biogas;
- gas-fuelled engines for vehicles and ships;
- the public gas grid;
- specifications to determine biomethane quality;
- transportation of compressed or liquefied biogas;
- transportation of biomass or digestate;
- assessment and determination whether biomass is sourced sustainably or not.

This document describes the following for information purposes as well:

- the parameters to determine the size (e.g. small, medium-sized, or large scale);
- the parameters to determine the type of installation (e.g. domestic, industrial);
- the parameters to describe the type of technique;
- terms and processes in order to develop health, safety and environmental protection guidelines for biogas installations.

NOTE For an explanation of the Scope, see [Annex A](#).

2 Normative references

There are no normative references in this document.