

How to organize a biogas project in Thailand

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Engineering Office, specialized in Design and Engineering of Biogas Plants

- Foundation: 1999
- Team: 20
- Experience: > 25 Years
- References: ca. 150 Biogas Plants

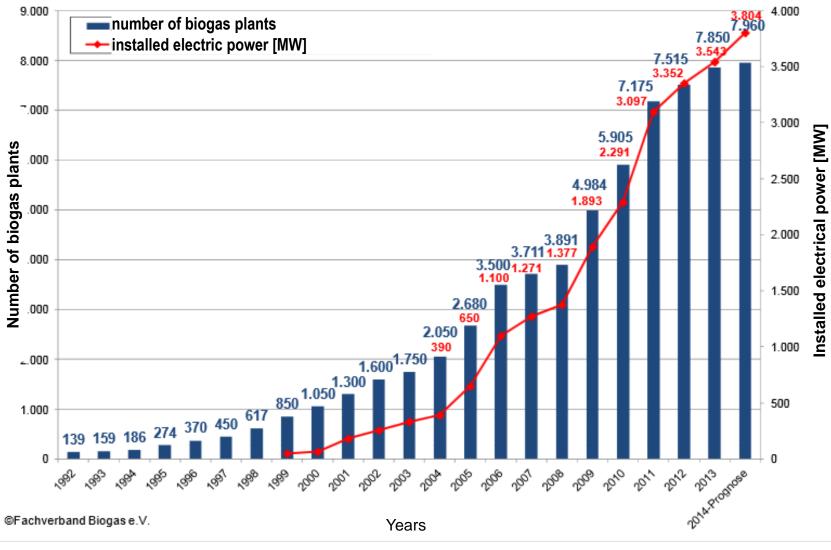
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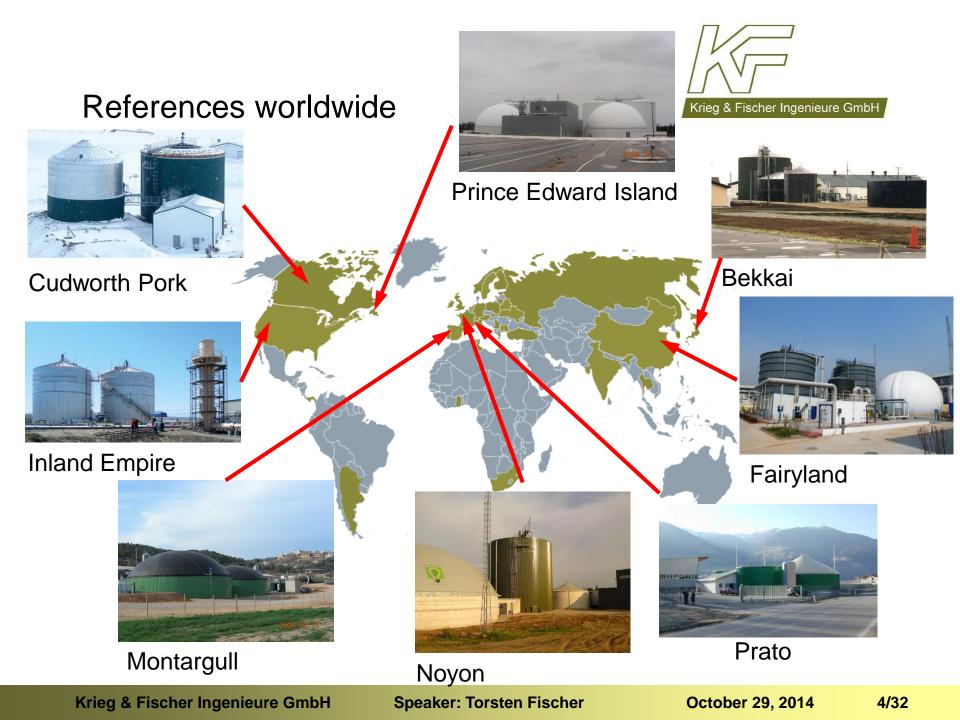


Development of Biogas in Germany



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Qinhuangdao, China



Built: 2013/2014 Input: kitchen waste Hydrolyses tank 530 m³ Digester: 2 x 3,400 m³ carbon steel tank Upgrading of biogas External gasholder Pretreatment (hammer mill, hydro-cyclone, hydrolysis)



Projects in Japan



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 Activities

 (studies, optimization, detail-engineering)
 技術サービス(調査、設計、

プラント改善・最適化)

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Sansui-en 2, Japan

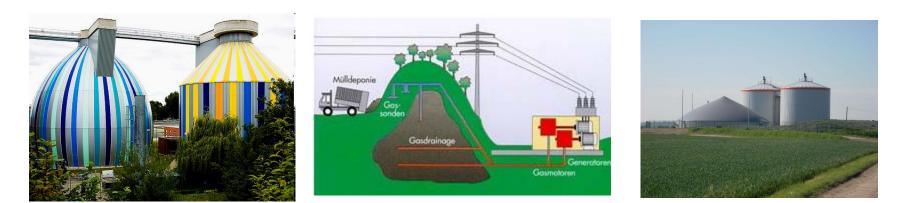




- Build: 2013/14
- Substrate: pig manure, FOG, sewage sludge, industrial food waste
- Digester: 5,000 m³
 glass coated steel tank
- CHP: 2 x 370 kWel
- digester, secondary digester, mesophilic operation
- Extension and integration of an existing biogas plant







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Examples of possible substrates Agricultural substrates





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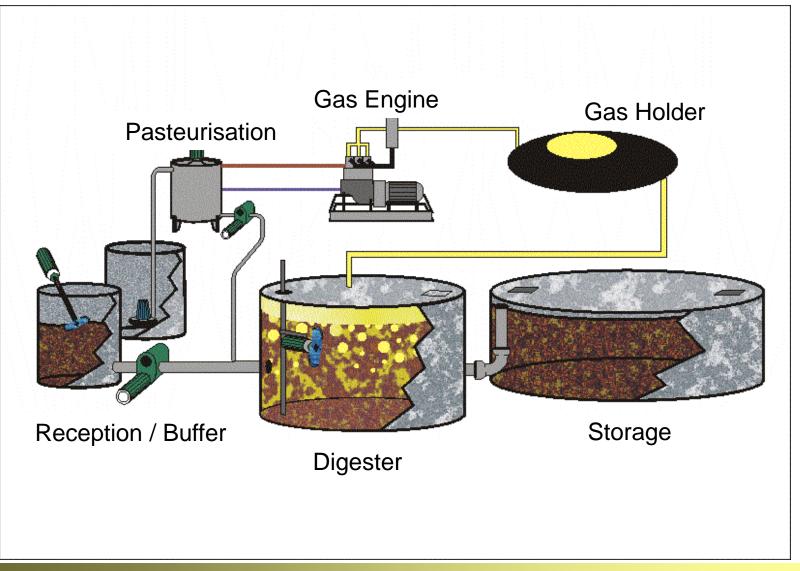


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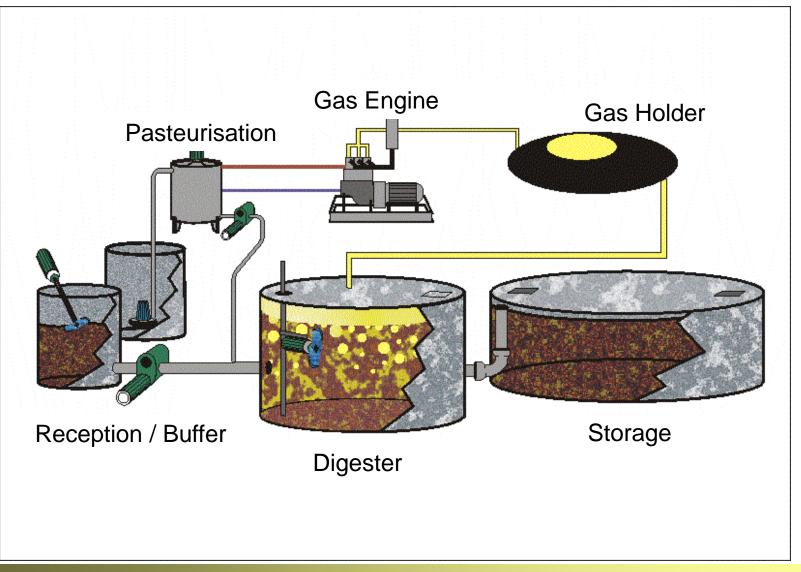
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Components of a biogas plant

- Tanks (digester, secondary digester, storage tanks)
- Gas holder
- Stirrer
- Pumps
- Shredder
- Pretreatment
- Solis input device
- Heat exchanger
- Measurement devices
- Safety components
- Desulphurization
- CHP
- Biogas upgrading system

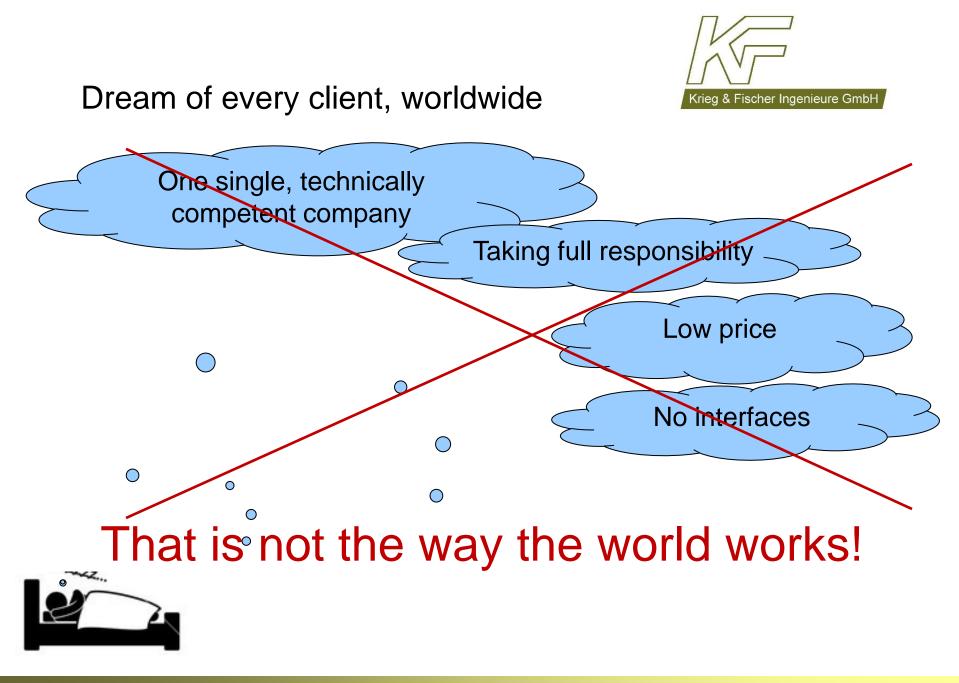
EPC - Contractor (turn-key) Engineering-Procurement-Construction



- Provides all contract work sections
- Provides all construction services

Fixed price
 Organization and Responsibility of the entire project

Fixed price includes EPC-surcharge of minimum 50%, abroad often more





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Piece-meal approach

- Ordering of contract work sections independently
- Less expensive (No surcharges between purchasing and sales)
- Cooperation of European and Thai company: Joint engineering team
- Coordination of battery limits between different suppliers



Local Thai company

- Knows about Thai regulations and laws
- Speaks local language
- Can prepare documents for administrative approval
- Knows the local suppliers
- Knows specialist companies (subsoil reports, safety aspects as hazard assessment, surveying or environment impact report...)
- Less expensive

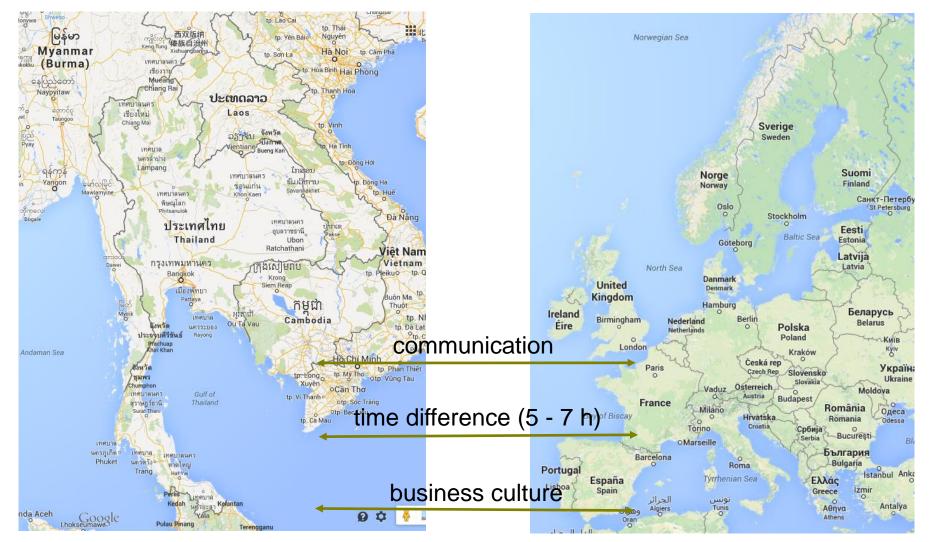


What is missing in Thailand

- Engineering know-how for a biogas plant in accordance with the state of the art
- Certain equipment as
 - certain stirrers
 - CHP
 - biogas upgrading system
 - desulphurization
 - solid input device
 - heat exchanger
 - pumps
 - certain safety components

Organisation of a biogas plant in Thailand





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Contract work sections

• Earthwork

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- Civil engineering operations
- Construction of digester and other tanks
- Construction of halls (reception, pretreatment)
- Installation of pumps
- Electrical operations
- Pipeline and mains connection work

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Experience of K&F in North America Organization and Supplier

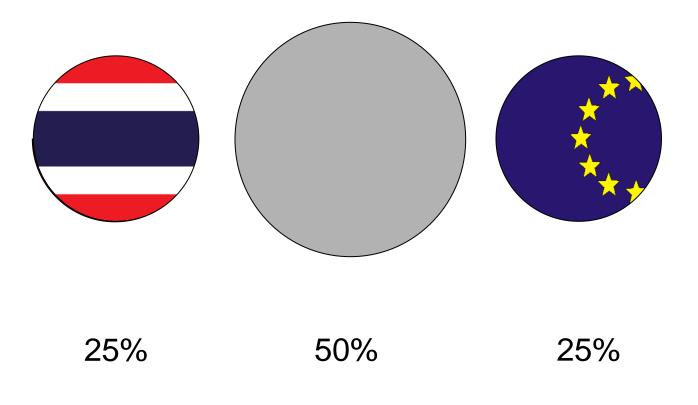


	Saskatoon	Chino	Kensington	London
construction period	2003	2005	2008	2009/2010
organisation	Piecemeal (directly K&F)	(Piecemeal/Assembly) ('Americanising')	Piecemeal ('Canadianising')	Piecemeal Approach ('Canadianising')
digester tanks	Steel Tank Europe	Steel Tanks North America	Steel Tanks Europe	Steel Tanks North American
top mounted mixer	North America	Europe	Europe	Europe
heat exchanger	Europe	Europe	North America	North America
CHP / gas user	Gas Turbine North America	Biogas Grid	Gas Burner North America	CHP North America
other tanks	Concrete Tank North America	(-)	Steel Tanks Europe	Steel Tanks North America
gas holder	Europe	(-)	Europe	Europe



Supplier:

At the beginning the origin of the supplier is uncertain



Contract work sections

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Import Germany/ Europe

Engineering of the biogas plant

- Certain stirrers
- Heat exchanger
- Special pumps
- Safety components
- CHP

- Unknown
 - Civil engineering operations
 - Construction of digester and other tanks
 - Installation of pumps
 - Electrical operations

Thai company

- Earthwork
- Subsoil reports
- Hazard assessment
- Surveying or environmental impact reports
- Civil engineering operations
- Construction of halls (reception, pretreatment)
- Installation of pumps
- Electrical operations
- Pipeline and mains connection work

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Local, national or regional products

- \rightarrow Generally less expensive from Thailand
- \rightarrow Organization of spare parts is easier
- \rightarrow Documentation in national language
- \rightarrow Less problems with warranty

As many deliveries by local manufacturers as possible

- Earthwork
- Subsoil reports
- Hazard assessment
- Surveying or environmental impact reports
- Civil engineering operations
- Construction of halls (reception, pretreatment)
- Installation of pumps
- Electrical operations
- Pipeline and mains connection work



Imported products

- Imported from "biogas countries": Denmark, Germany, Austria and Switzerland
- All projects around the world are supplied from there
- For example:
 - Special pumps and valves
 - Central stirrer
 - Heat exchanger for highly viscous substrates
 - Special measuring equipment
 - Special safety equipment



Piece-meal

- simple to organize different suppliers from Thailand and Europe
- interfaces management
- responsibility
- different business 'cultures'
- different legal backgrounds
- National building Code
- 'Thailandianising' of European equipment



Conclusions / Summary

• German EPC-contractors construct standardized biogas plants

\rightarrow This does not work in Thailand:

- Local regulations must be considered
- Local suppliers must provide many of the components
- Thai EPC-contractors do not yet have sufficient experience

Cooperation

between a Thai and a German company and individual (piece-meal) awarding



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