



Identification of global biomass supply marginals and their dependency on scale of demand through econometric modelling – a case of using the GLOBIOM tool

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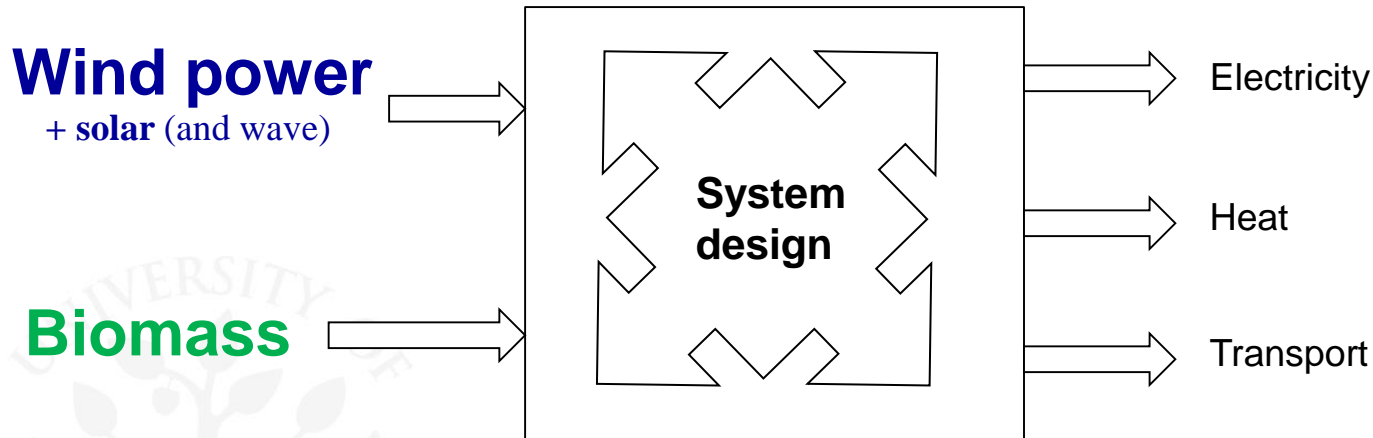
Presentation outline

- Biomass demand in renewable energy systems
- Biomass supply and origin





100 % renewable energy in DK – how?

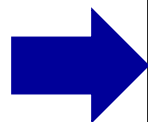


How do we distinguish a good from a bad system design?

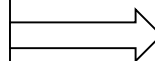
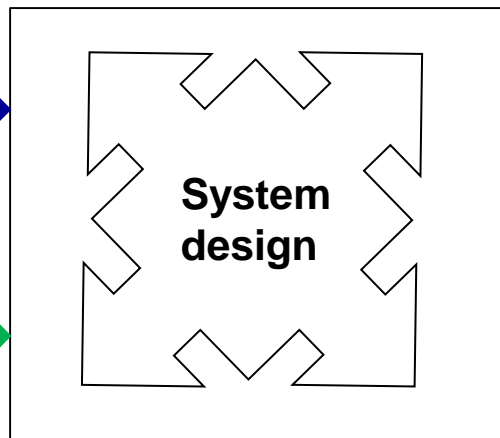


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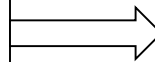
Wind power
+ solar and wave



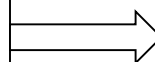
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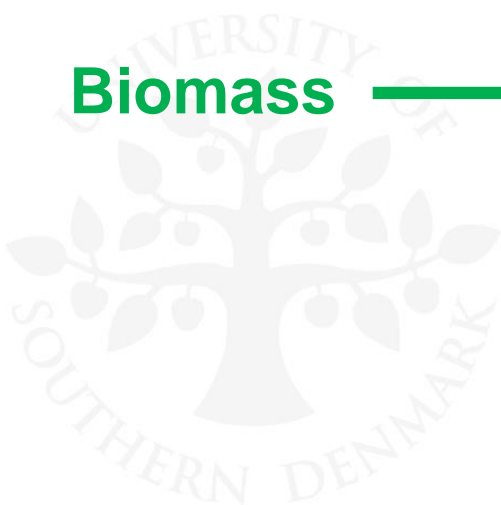
Electricity



Heat



Transport



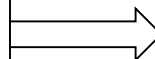
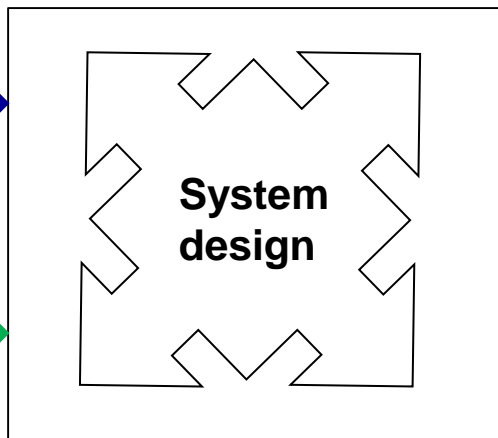
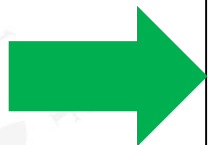


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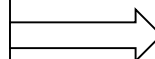
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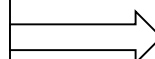
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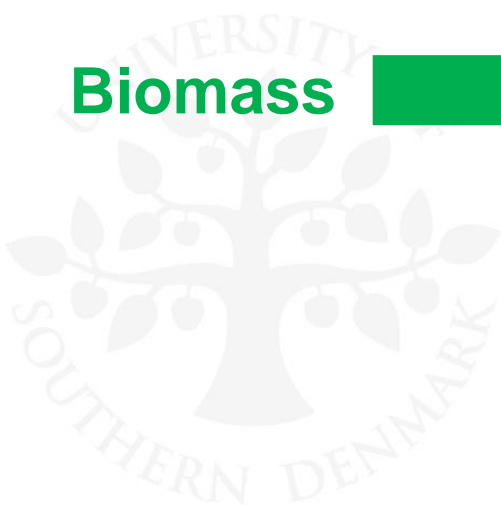
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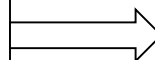
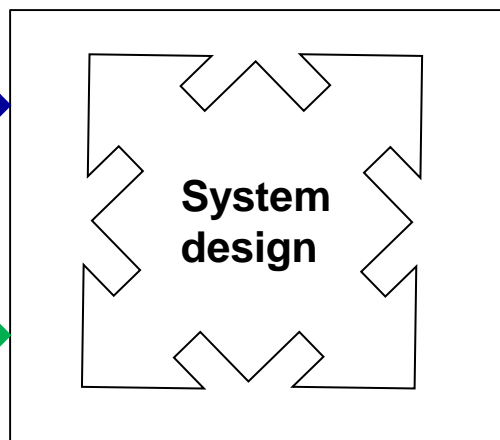


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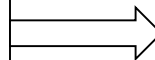
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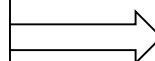
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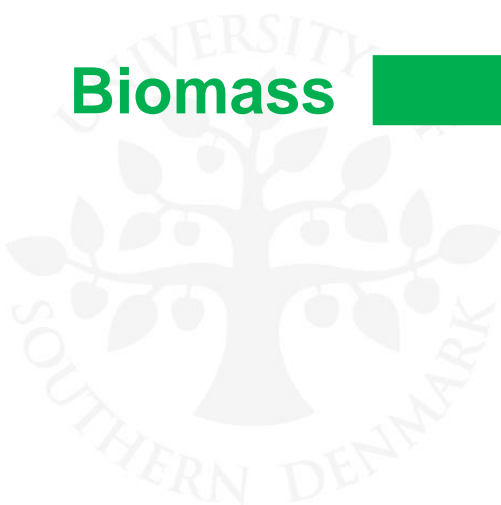
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Food, feed, other...





Energy system design studies in Denmark

- Climate Commission, 2010
- Energinet.dk, 2010
- Energinet.dk, 2015
- Danish Association of Engineers, 2009
- Danish Association of Engineers, 2015
- CEESA, 2011
- University of Southern Denmark, 2014
- Danish Energy Agency, 2014
- Nordic Energy Technology Perspectives, 2016



Analysing biomass dependency

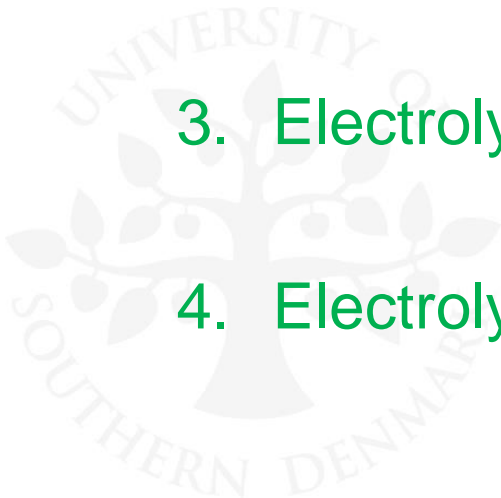
- in four different system configurations

1. Standard bioenergy

2. Electrification

3. Electrolysis

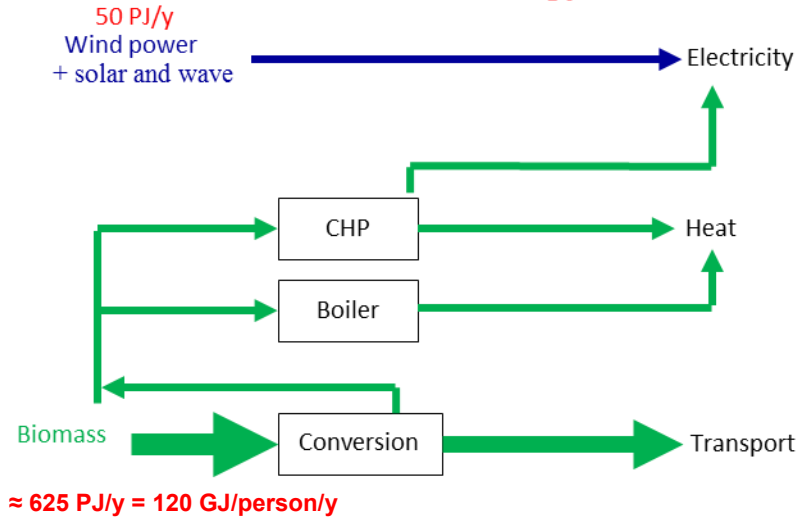
4. Electrolysis + carbon recycling



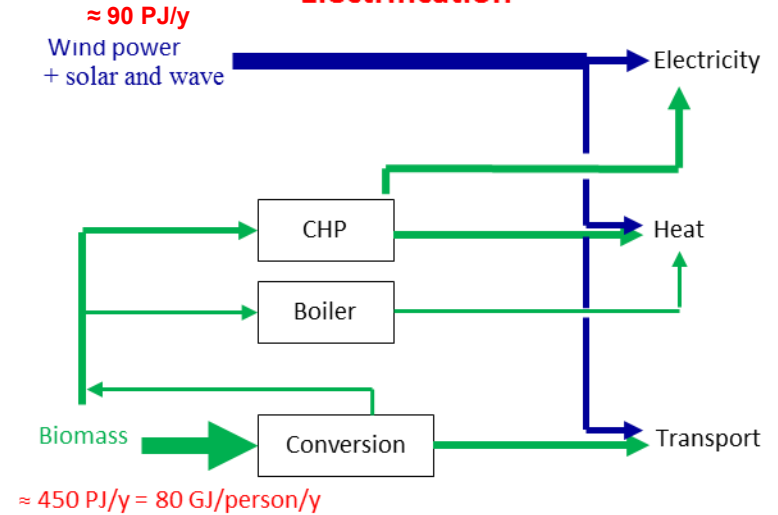


The 4 system design configurations

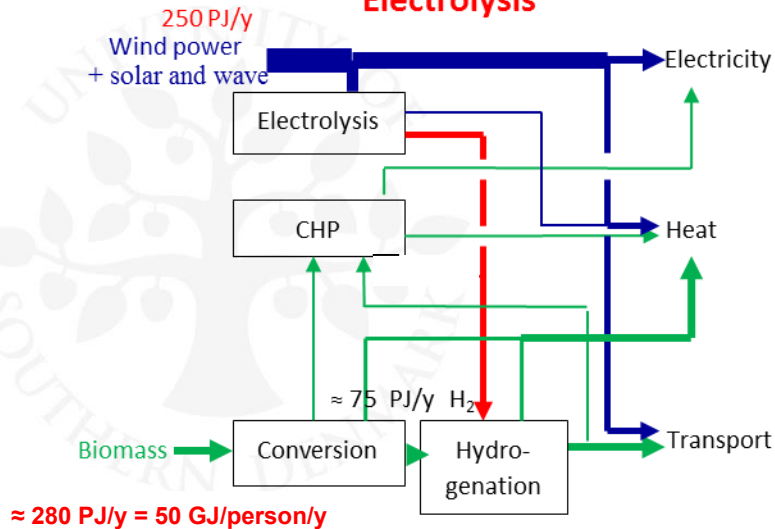
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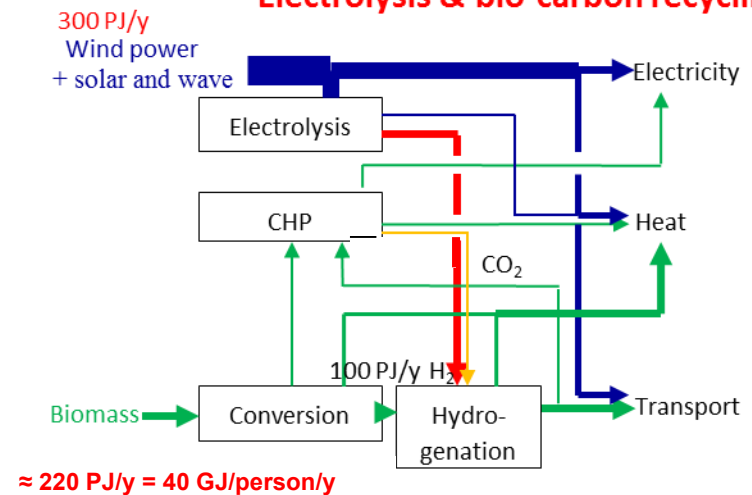
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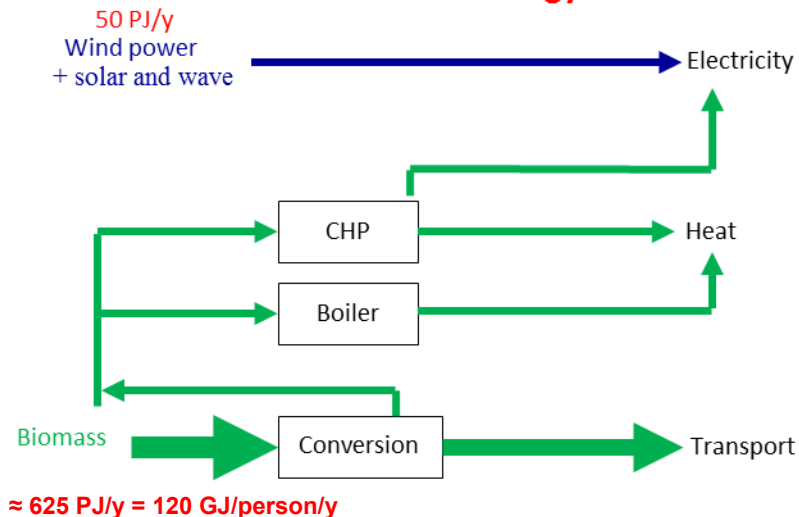
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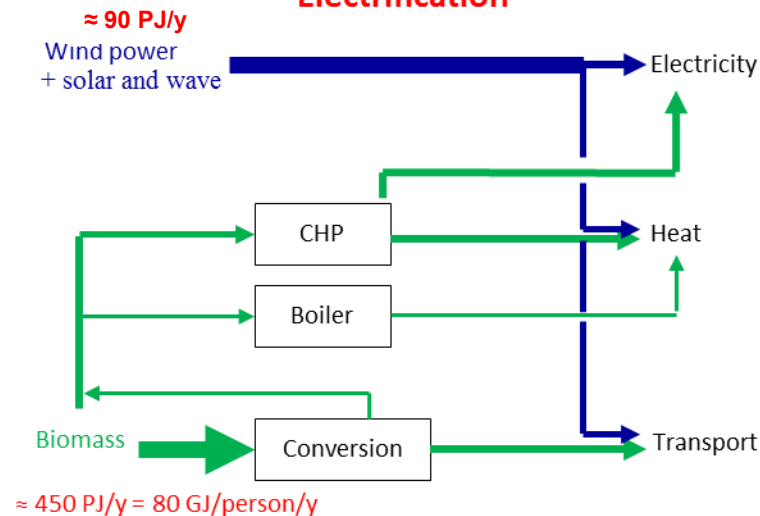


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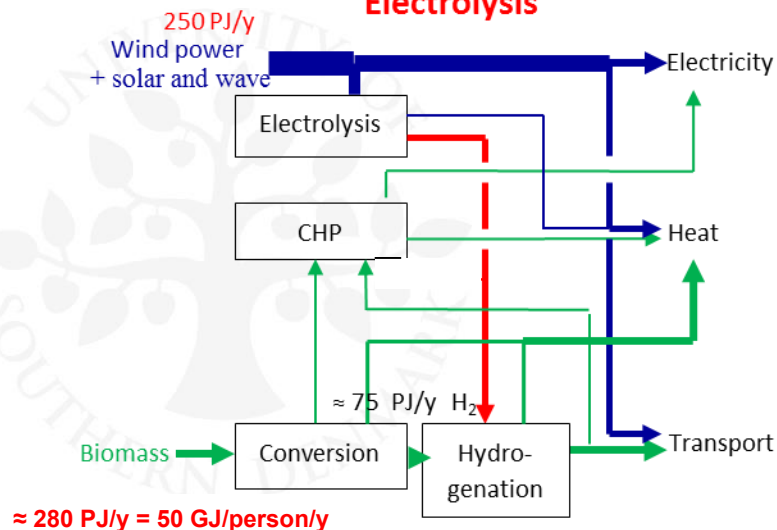
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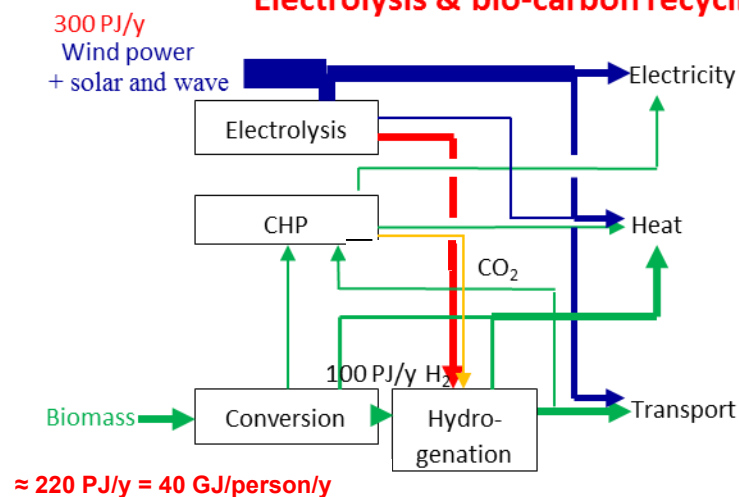
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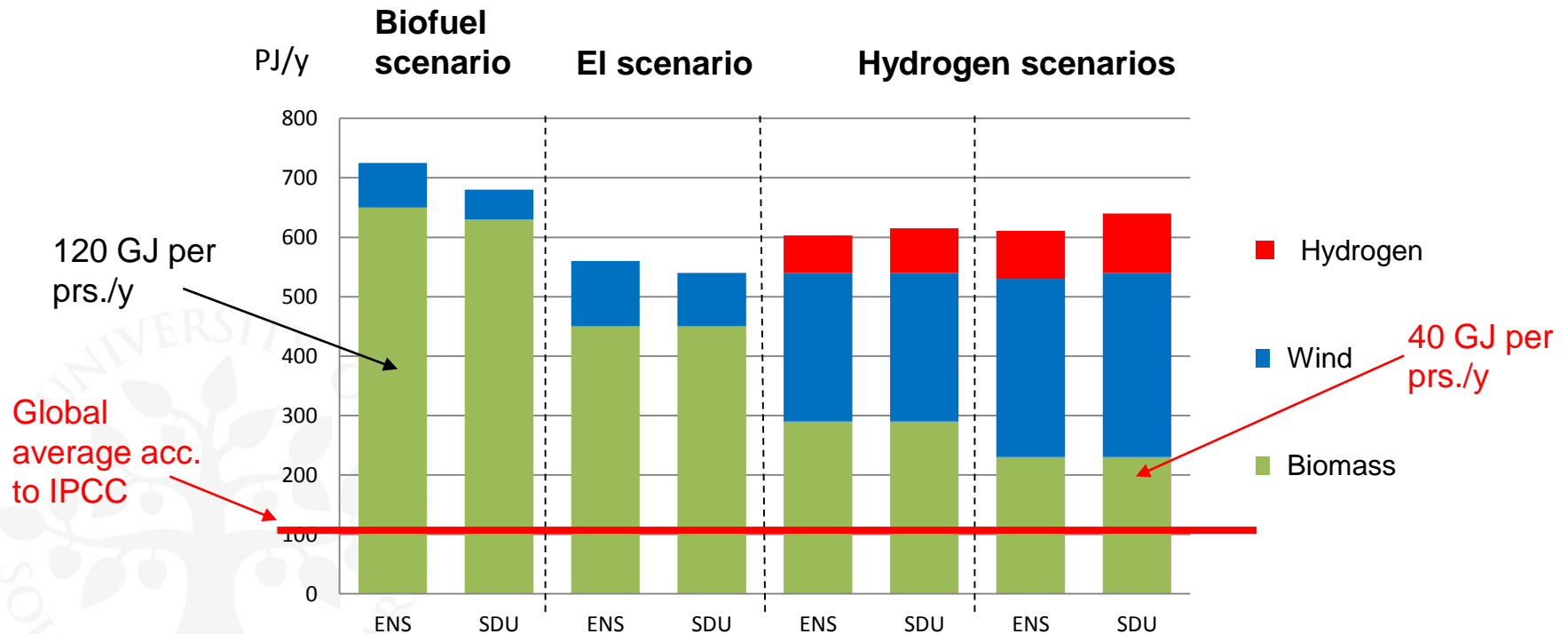
Global biomass availability in 2050 = 100 – 300 EJ/year (IPCC, 2011) = 10 – 30 GJ/person



VE system designs 2050

– VE resources

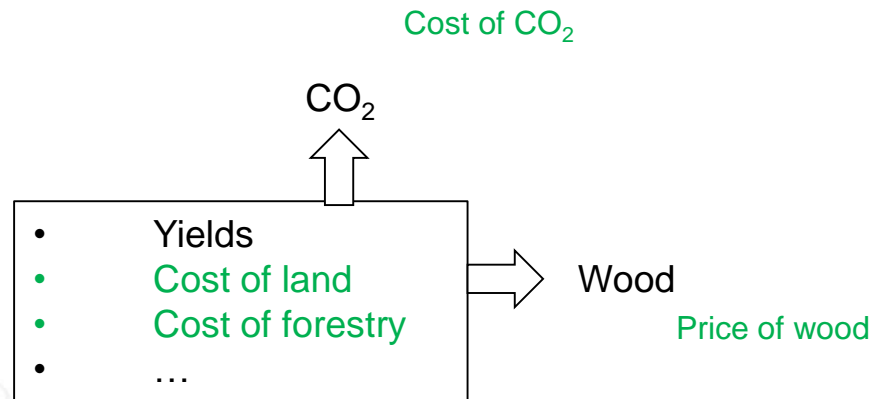
VE scenarios 2050
- Energy agency and SDU



Even the most advanced VE scenario uses twice as much biomass as the 10 – 30 GJ/prs./y available as global average according to IPCC (2011)

Modelling biomass supply

- the GLOBIOM econometric model

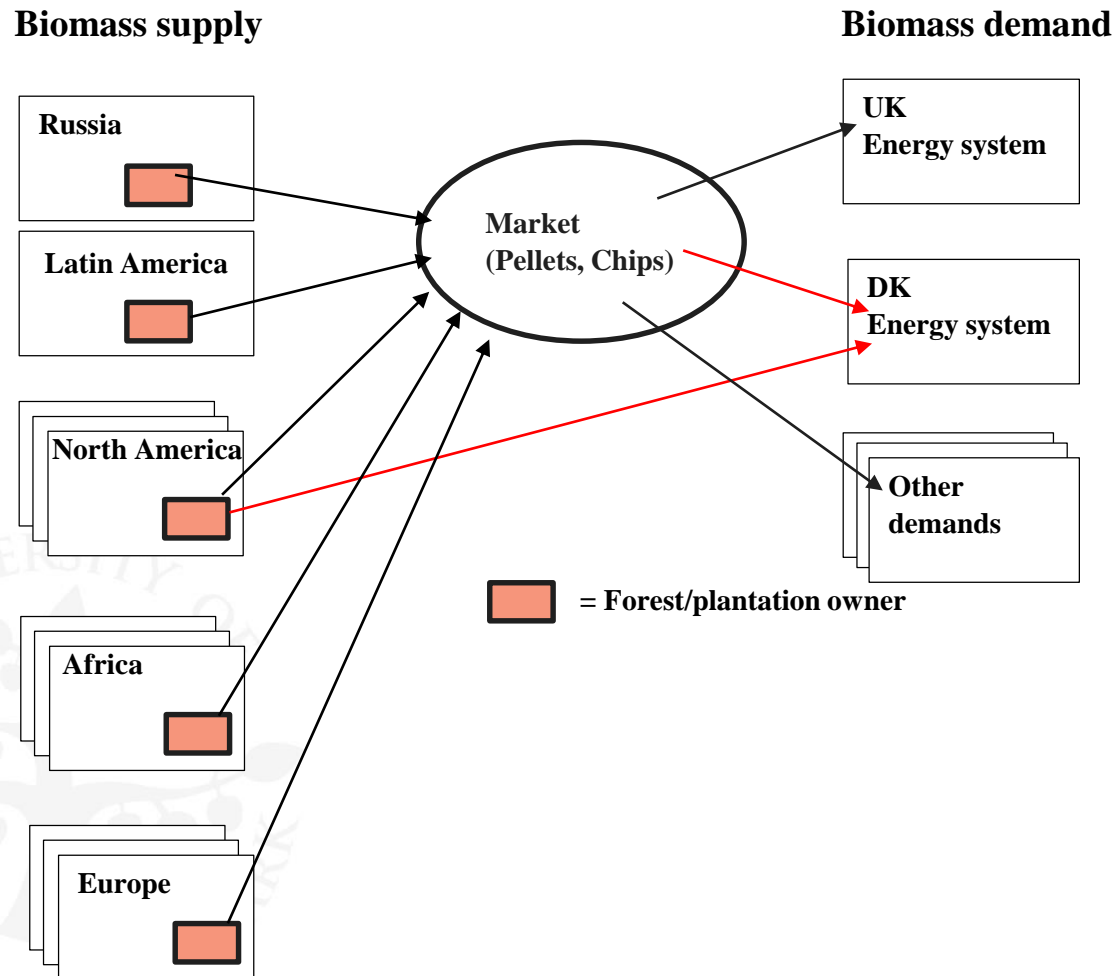


A grid cell model

Based on a partial equilibrium econometric model, the probable suppliers of wood for energy are identified under varying conditions for biomass price and CO₂ price



Identifying the response to a Danish change in demand





When identifying the global biomass marginal, the assumption on the scale of global bioenergy production is decisive

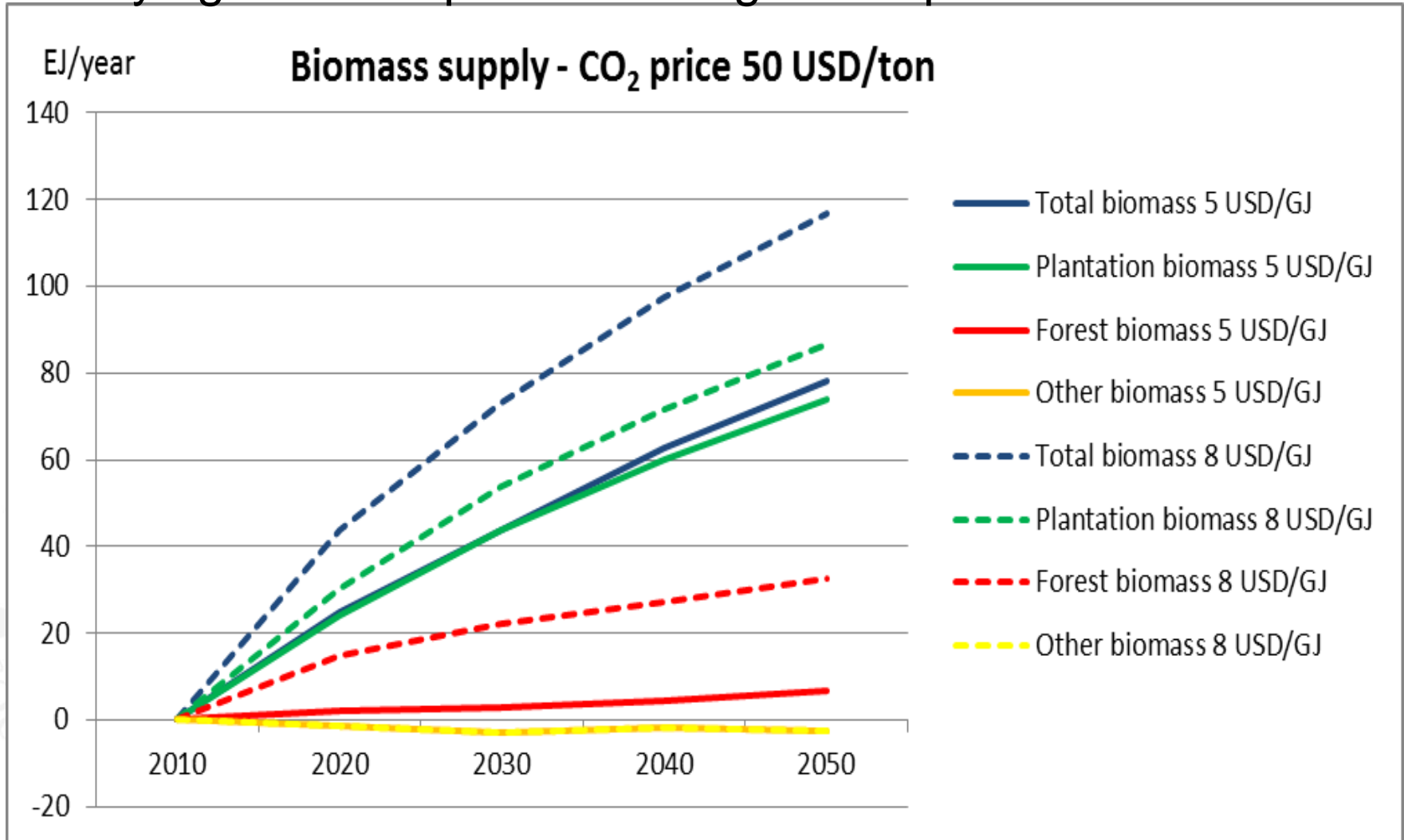
The scale of bioenergy production is, in turn, dependant on biomass market prices.





Partial equilibrium model of biomass supply

- at varying biomass prices and high CO₂ price

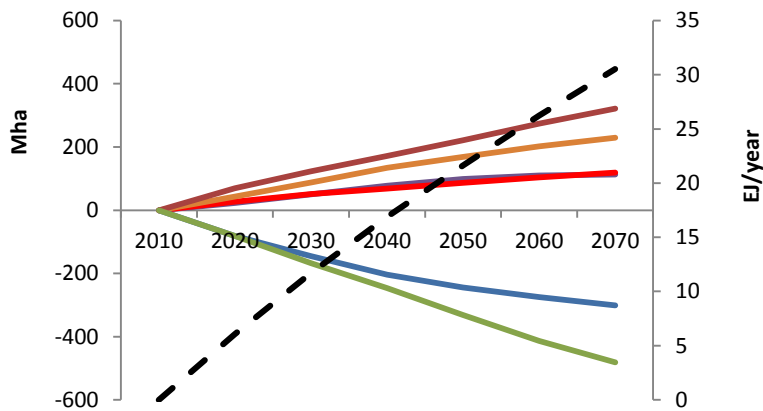




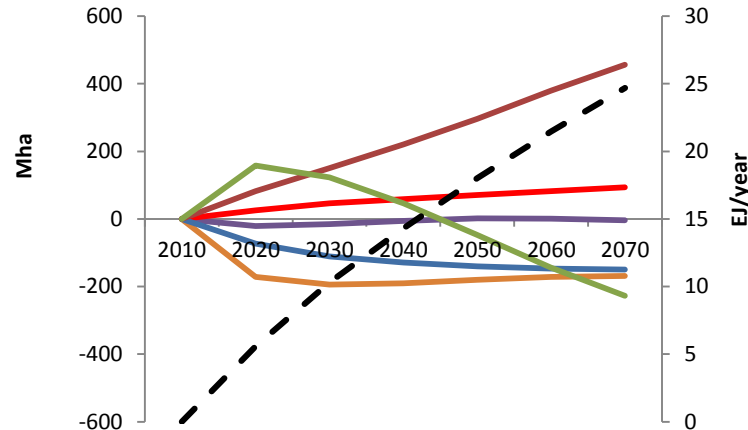
Partial equilibrium model of land use change

- at varying biomass and CO2 prices

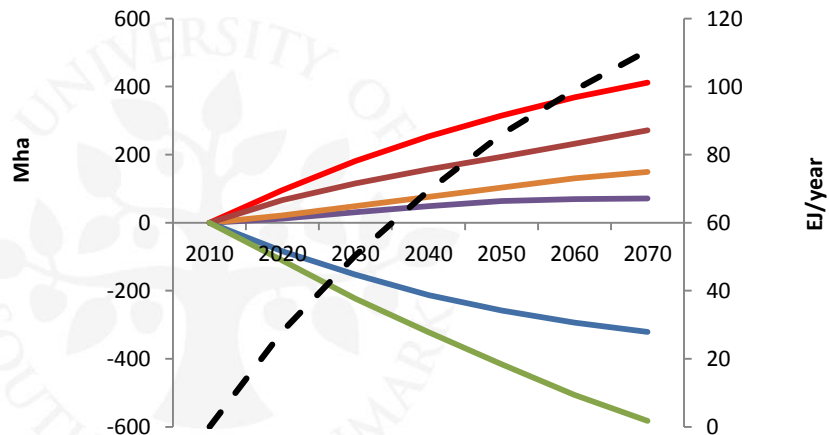
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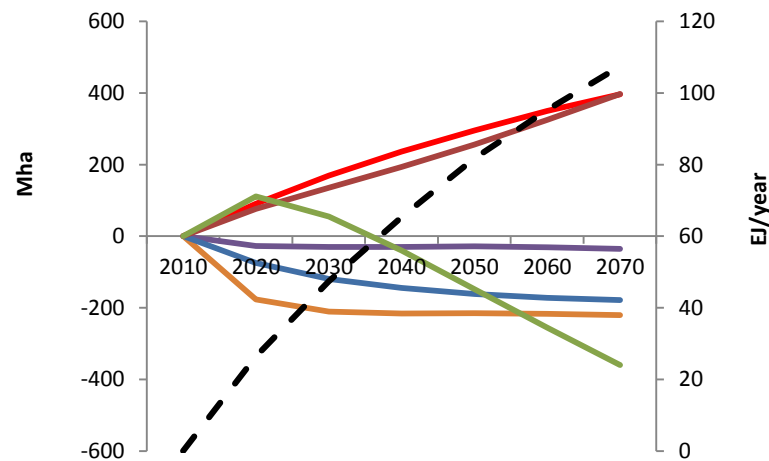
50 US\$/ton CO2; 1.5 US\$/GJ



0 US\$/ton CO2; 5 US\$/GJ



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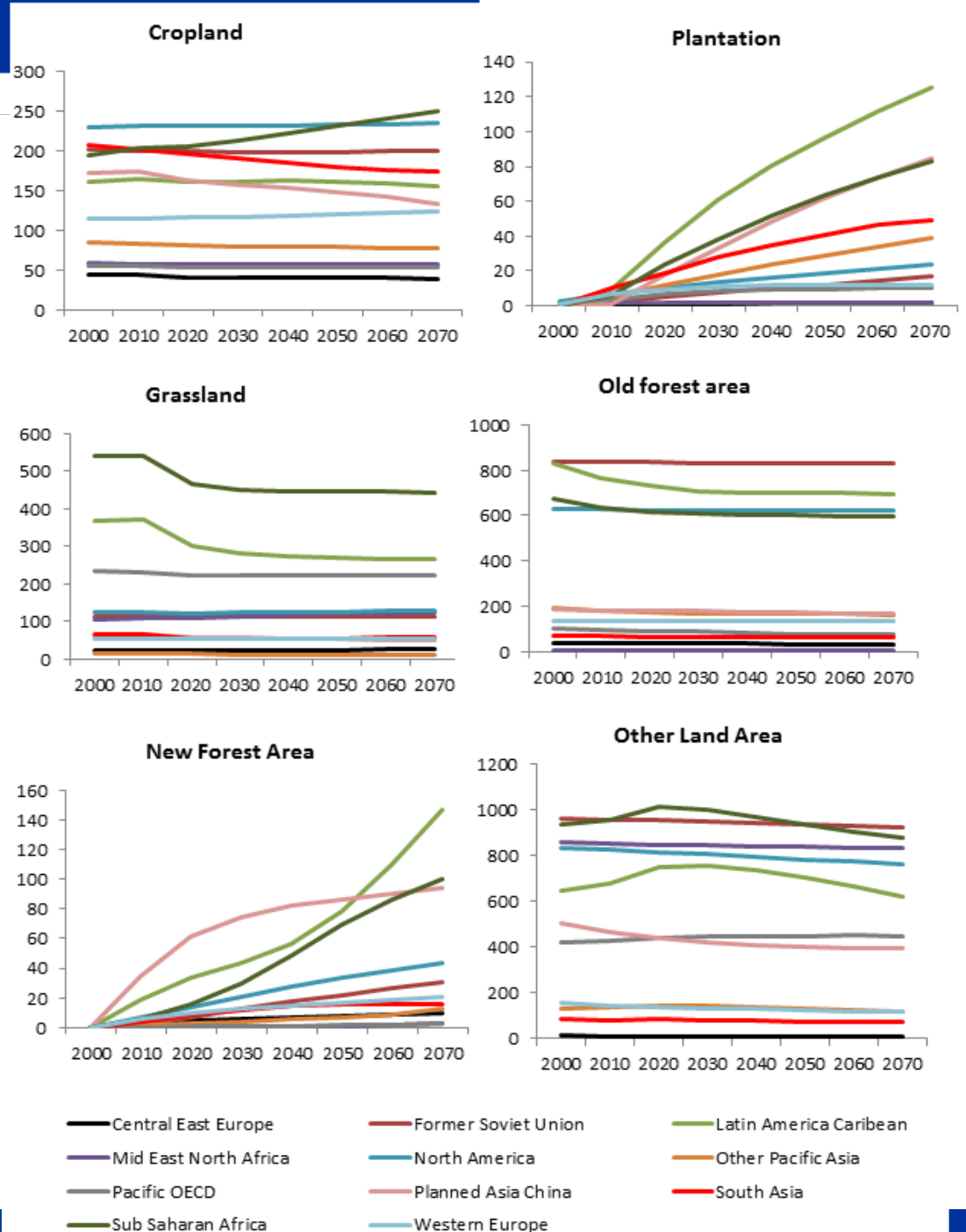


- Cropland area
- Plantation area
- Grassland area
- Old forest area
- New forest area
- Other land area
- - - Solid paid, EJ primary



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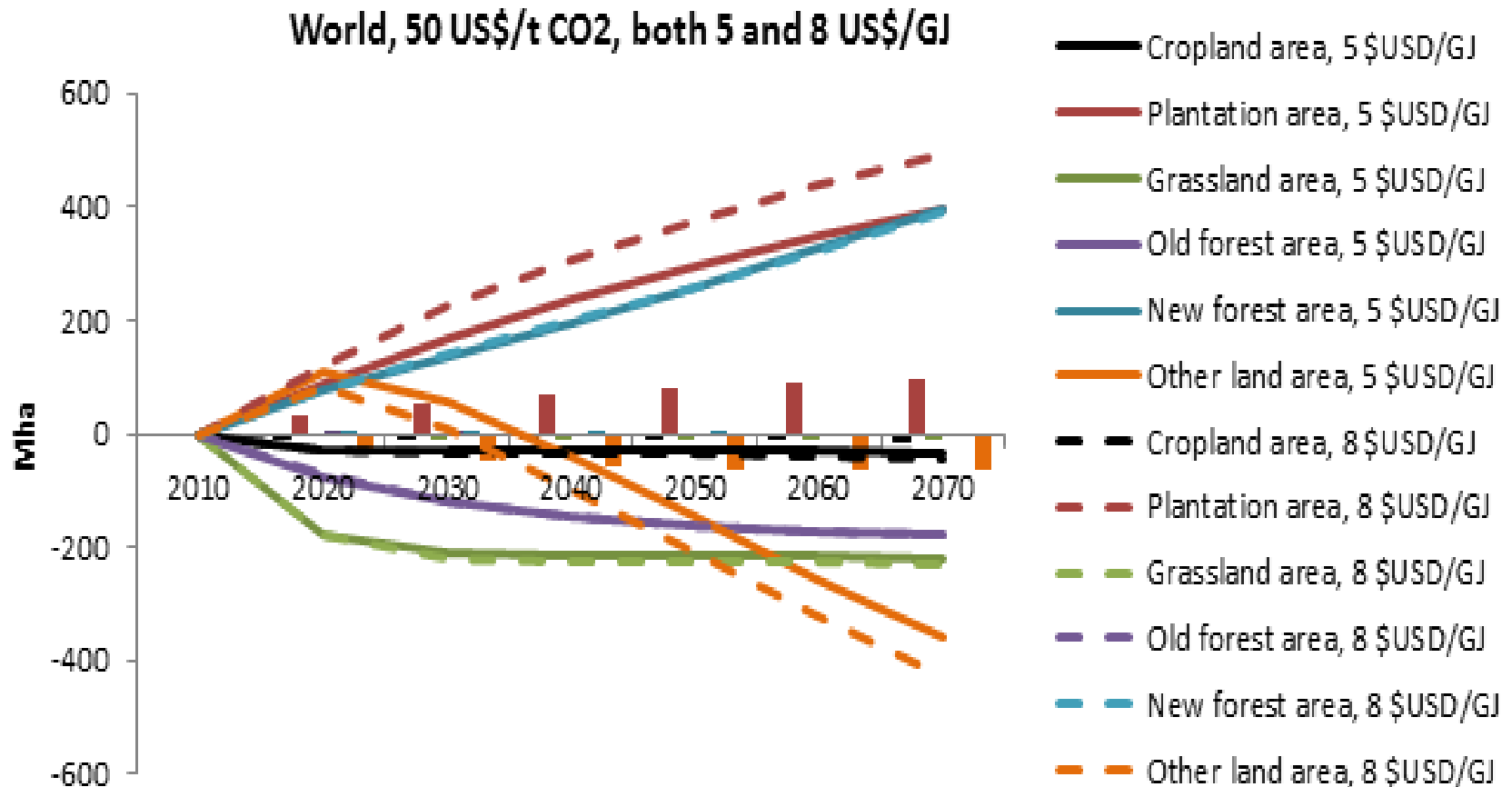




Partial equilibrium model of land use change

- incremental change at demand increase

World, 50 US\$/t CO₂, both 5 and 8 US\$/GJ



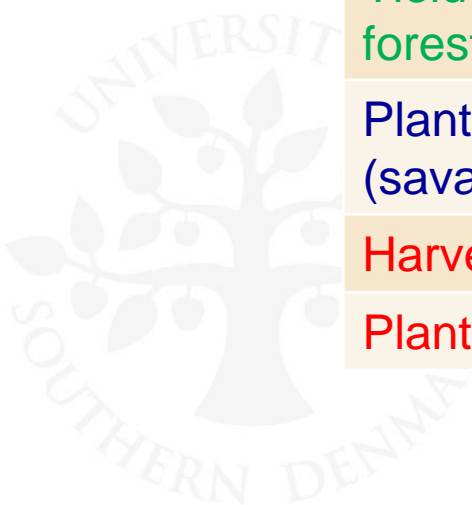
- what is the effect of a marginal change in demand?



Global biomass-for-energy marginals

- overview of most probable candidates in an IPCC 2 °C RE world

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New cropping schemes in agriculture	Potentially high e.g. in Denmark





The origin of biomass

- in a global Renewable Energy scenario?





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**Eucalyptus
plantation**



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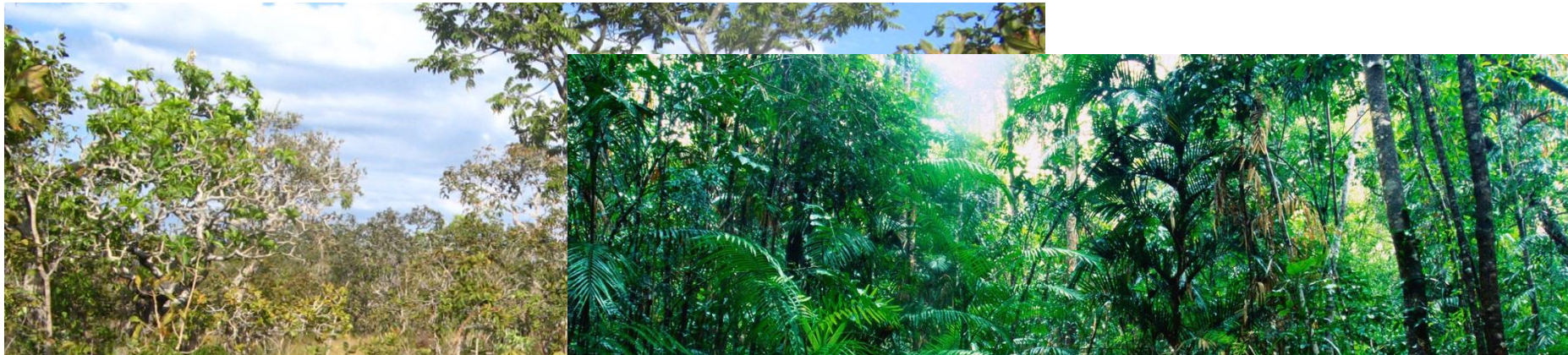


Eucalyptus harvest

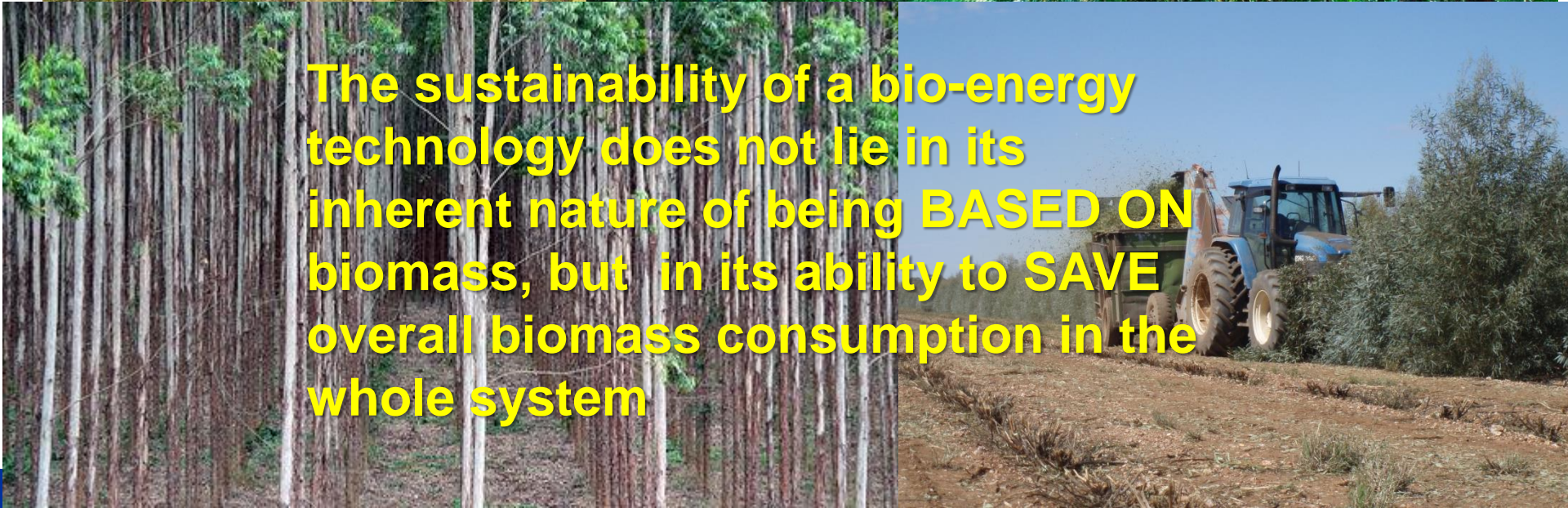


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The sustainability of a bio-energy technology does not lie in its inherent nature of being BASED ON biomass, but in its ability to SAVE overall biomass consumption in the whole system





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