



Update from Project Management

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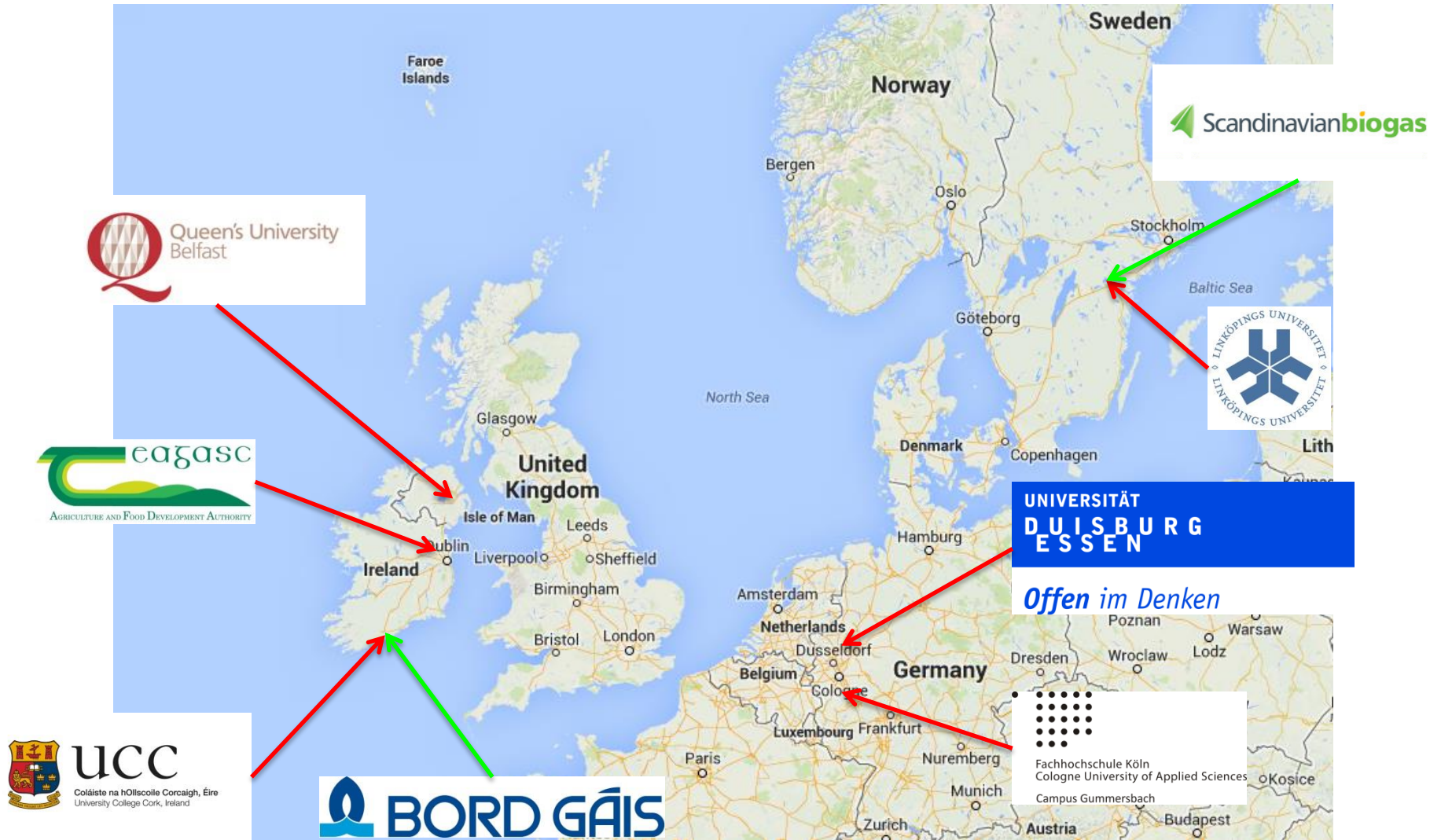


Overview

- ATBEST – Advanced Technologies for Biogas Efficiency, Sustainability and Transport
- Marie Curie Initial Training Network; Grant No. 316838
- 8 Beneficiaries in 4 Countries
- 14 Researchers; 12 PhD and 2 Post-Doc
- Total Budget: €3.86 million



Locations



Overview

- 4 year research programme
 - (1st July 2013 to 30th June 2017)
- 8 Work Packages
 - Management (WP1)
 - Technical Work Packages (WP2 – WP5)
 - Local & Network Training (WP6 & WP7)
 - Outreach & Dissemination (WP8)

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WP1 – Project Planning

- Management group
 - Coordinator: Sam McCluskey
 - Project Manager: Simon Murray
 - Training and Communication Manager: Patricia McCrory
 - Project Administrator: Kathryn Rogers
- Tasks
 - Communication
 - Recruitment
 - Finance
 - Reporting

Communication

- Communication with EC Research Executive Agency
- Communication within the partnership
 - Email lists
 - Dropbox
 - Social media

Recruitment

- Now Complete – first milestone achieved!
- 3 Rounds
 - Over 250 applicants
 - 76% Male, 24% Female
 - 65% Eligible, 35% Not Eligible
- 50/50 Split of Male/Female Fellows Obtained

Finance

- Total maximum budget €3.86 M
- 60% funding received by QUB and distributed to partners
- Five cost categories
 - Living allowance
 - Research/Training/Transfer of Knowledge
 - Management
 - Overheads



Reporting

- 6 month activity Reports
- Progress Reports
 - Month 12 (June 2014), Month 22 (May 2015) & Month 36 (June 2016)
- Mid-Term Review
 - Meeting of Coordinator and Project Officer
 - Date TBC (provisionally May 2015)
- Periodic Reports
 - Finance report & summary of project actions
 - Month 24 (June 2015) & Month 48 (June 2017)

Project Meetings

- All supervisors, Scientists in Charge and Fellows will meet every 6 months
 - November 2013 Belfast
 - May 2014 Belfast
 - November 2014 Cork
 - May 2015 Duisburg-Essen
 - November 2015 Belfast
 - May 2016 Linkoping
 - November 2016 Belfast
 - May 2017 Cologne

WP6: Local Training

- Scientific Training
- Complementary Training
- Personal Development Plan
 - Reviewed by Industrial Steering Group
- All training must be documented

WP7: Network Training

- Secondments
 - 12 Weeks for ESR
 - 6 Weeks for ER
- Summer schools
 - Enhanced technologies for AD (UDE, June 2014)
 - Sustainable biogas generation and transport (LIU, June 2015)
 - Producing and using good quality digestate (QUB, June 2016)
- Network Conference
 - Linkoping, September 2016 (TBC)

WP8: Dissemination & Exploitation

- Website: www.atbest.eu or www.go.qub.ac.uk/ATBEST
- Project Branding
- Blog: blogs.qub.ac.uk/ATBEST
- Social Media
 - Twitter: [@ATBEST ITN](https://twitter.com/ATBEST_ITN)
 - Facebook: facebook.com/ATBEST.ITN
 - LinkedIn Group (linked from website)

WP8: Dissemination & Exploitation

- Outreach Pack and Visits
- Dissemination to other experts
 - Peer reviewed papers, Conferences etc.
- Engagement with Industry
- Technology Exploitation Plan

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