



Jet fuels and the road to future Jet fuels



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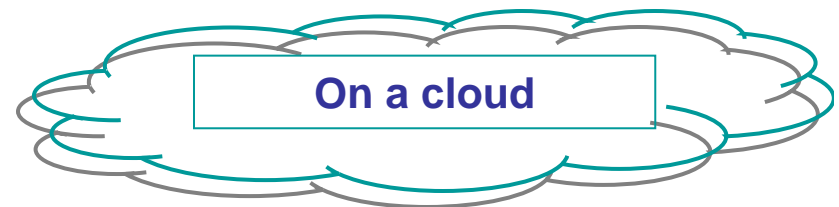
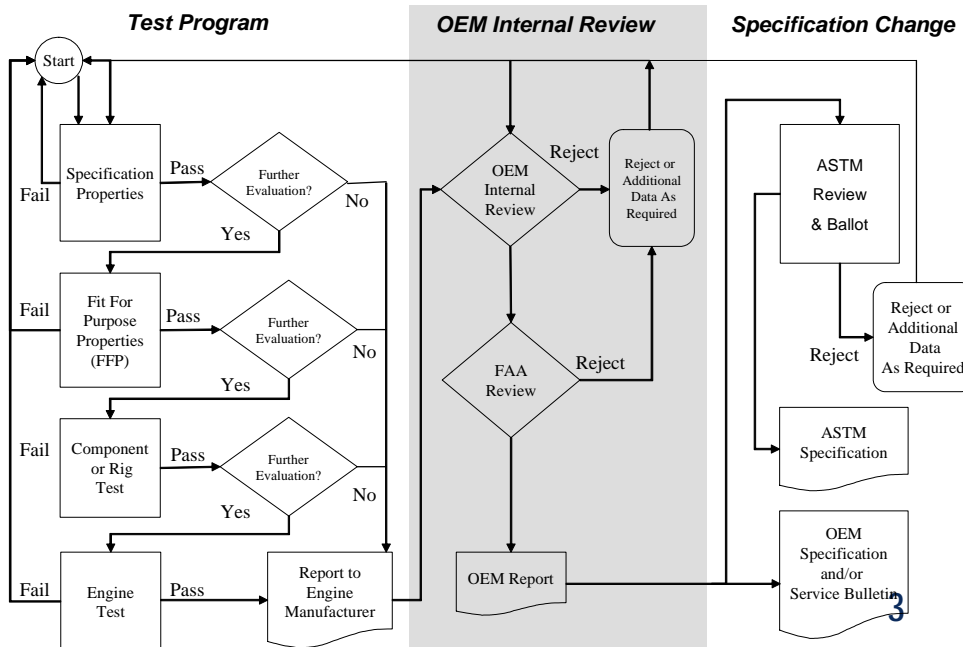
Jet fuels

- Aircraft need energy (MJ/kg)
 - More energy per unit mass means: less fuel to be carried
- But fuel needs to have certain properties:
 - Freezing Point (-40C Jet A / -47C Jet A-1)
 - Flash Point (+38C)
 - Thermal Stability (Improves efficiency)
 - Sulphur (lubricate fuel pump)
 - Viscosity (cold flow properties)
 - etc.



Certification process

- Harmonized process for main specifications Jet A & A-1)
- Approval process takes long testing and \$\$\$



Planes rely on jet fuel from oil



Or alternatives, like:

Fischer Tropsch (FT), synthetic fuel:

- Coal to Liquid
- Gas to Liquid
- Biomass to Liquid



JNB/SASOL (early 90's):

- since 1999 50% approved
- End 2009 100% approved



Mr. Fischer & Mr. Tropsch 1920

Four steps:

1. gasify into synthesis gas (CO , H_2 , CO_2 , H_2O , plus pollutants)
2. clean syngas to CO and H_2 (high energy !!)
3. syngas into FT reactor \rightarrow wax
4. wax upgrade into end products by hydrotreating

2007: 70.5 billion US Gallons
Similar to 100,000 Olympic swimming pools!

Aviation growth....
Need more volume...
From all possible sources



Emissions trading

+



Our Vision

- + ↗ Is for carbon neutral growth
- ↗ Leading to a zero carbon emissions future





IATA alternative fuels position

- IATA recognizes that aircraft are long-lived assets and will be using kerosene and/or kerosene type fuels, from other sources than crude, for many years to come.
- IATA supports research, development & deployment of **sustainable biofuels** which
 - Offer net carbon reductions over their life cycle
 - Do not compete with fresh water requirements and food production (1st generation bio fuels)
 - And do not cause deforestation or other environmental impacts such as biodiversity loss
- While international fuel specifications for biofuels do not yet exist, IATA is working with industry partners towards agreed production standards and test requirements.

Biojet fuels from Sustainable biomass

- Main focus on drop-in fuels, 2nd & 3rd generation biojet fuels / sustainable biojet fuels
- 2nd generation biomass (H-C made from not-widely used sources)
 - Forest residues (e.g. sawdust)
 - Industry residues (e.g. black liquor paper industry)
 - Municipal waste
 - Agricultural residues (e.g. harvest remainings)
 - Sustainable Grown Biomass (e.g. jatropha)
- 3rd generation biomass (H-C made from additionally grown biomass)
 - Algae, switch grass, jatropha, babassu and halophytes



Algae: simple, photosynthetic plants, that can be grown with polluted or salt water and can produce up to 250 times more oil than 1st generation soybeans!!



Jatropha: reclaims wastelands, grows in poor soils

Halophytes: grows on salt grounds, where nothing else grows well



Switchgrass: a hardy grass, needs very little water and produces a high output of biomass



Babassu: a native growing Brazilian tree with high oil yield nuts





Alternative fuels in practice

- **Airbus** flew a A380 in early 2008 with one engine powered by FT Gas to Liquid fuel
- **Virgin Atlantic** flew a Boeing 747-400 on 23 February 2008 with one engine operating on a 20% biofuel mix of babassu oil and coconut oil
- **Air New Zealand** flew a Boeing 747-400 with one engine on 50% jatropha derived biofuel and 50% kerosene on 30 December 2008
- **Continental Airlines** flew a Boeing 737-800 with one engine using 50% jet fuel and 50% algae and jatropha mix on 7 January 2009
- **Japan Airlines** trialed a 50% biofuel (camelina, jatropha and algae) and 50% kerosene mix on a Boeing 747-300 with P&W engines on 30 January 2009



Green fuels...not a simple
task, but a **MUST!!!**





IATA ENVIRONMENTAL CAMPAIGN

Paul Steele-Director Environmental System Management

Operations

- Green Teams
- Fuel Book
- Implementation survey
- Regulatory

Infrastructure

- Routes & TMA Improvements
- ATM Efficiency study.

Technology

- **Alternative Fuel**
- Aircraft/Fleet Upgrade.
- Roadmap

Economics

- Voluntary Offset Programme
- Costing for Carbon Neutral Growth
- Mckinsey study.

Communication

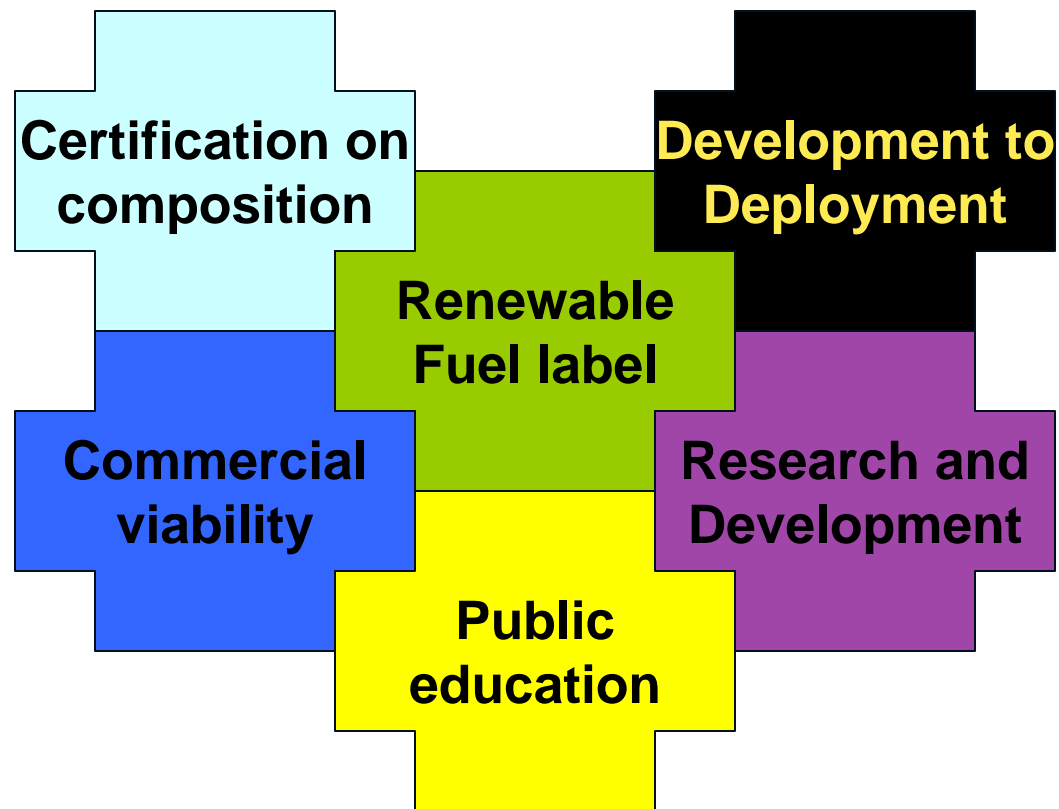
Work plan

- Proposed milestones accepted
- Evaluate milestones on yearly basis
- Evaluate actions each Fuel Forum

What do we want to achieve?

- Certification on fuel composition by 2012, optimistic 2010
- Sustainable renewable fuel label operational, January 2011
- Development to deployment, 2011 plant running
- Commercial viability 2014
- Research and development, 2010 overview of activities, than continuously updated
- Public educated, 2010
- 10% by 2017

6 step strategy / work plan



Actions

Departments:

- Aviation Environment
- Commercial Fuel Services
- Economic Department
- Government Relations
- Operations
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Key Areas – Alternative Fuel

➤ Technical &
Operational

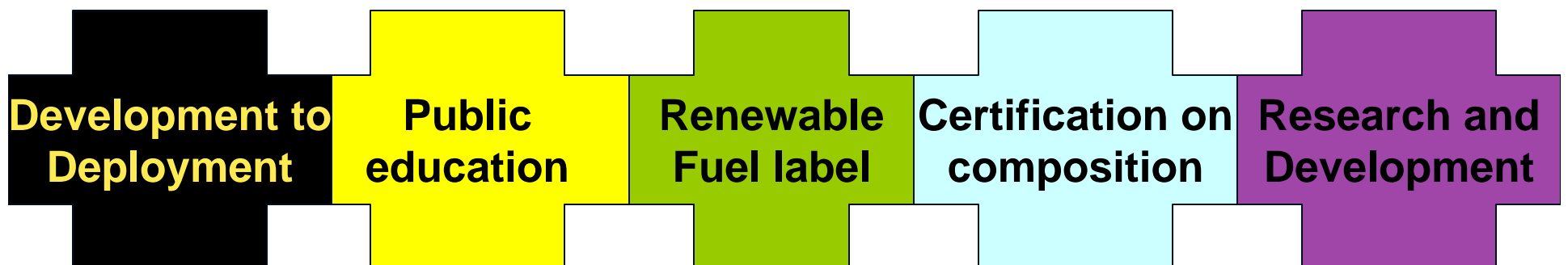
- Specification
- Testing
- Certification
- Production
- Procurement
- Distribution

➤ Political &
Regulatory

- Public and policy
maker acceptance
- Industry Acceptance
- Fiscal and legal
framework
- Environmental
certification

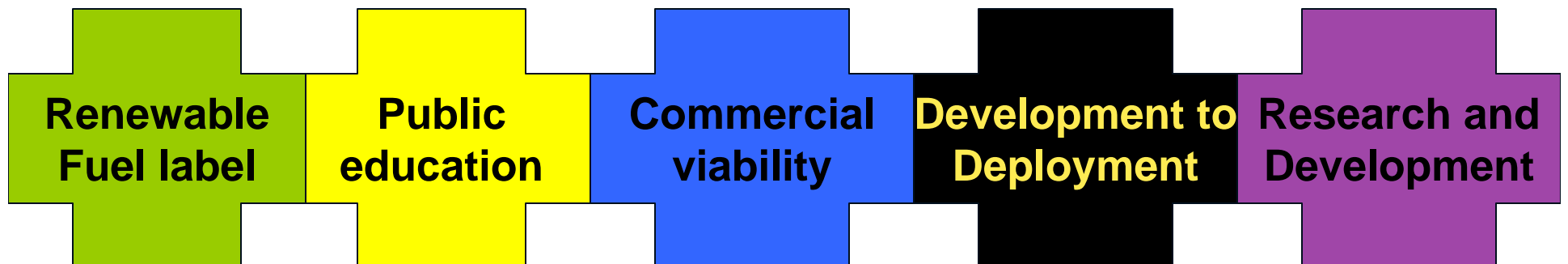
Milestones Operations 2009 (1)

- Ensure IATA is present at key 2009 events to promote ballot issue ASTM Dxxxx in 2009
- Information from OEM's about certification, testing and evaluation process and program
- Stimulate and support airline flight trials with bio fuel blends



Milestones Operations 2009 (2)

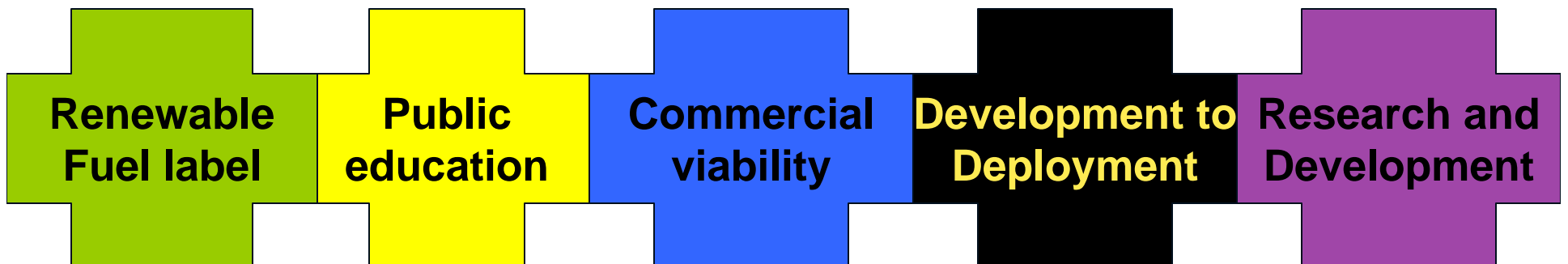
- Follow-up studies required on:
 - Economic viability
 - Preferred production processes
- After those studies:
 - Start creation of database with potential suppliers
 - Workshop with Commercial Fuel Services on evaluation of way forward to establish the use of biojets by group of airlines





Milestones Operations 2009 (3)

- Intensify awareness:
 - Create IATA website events
 - Issue brochures/bulletins
 - Promote at key meetings of aviation industry
 - Issue 2009 Alternative Fuel report to BoG and OPC



Key Conclusions & Outlook

- Solid organisational fundament established
- Need industry involvement & participation
- Communication- & awareness plan