

## The Romanian Camelina Value Chain: Case study on Land Use Change

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### **AGENDA**



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- The European BioFuels Flightpath



### **AIRBUS** acts as a catalyst for commercialization of BioFuels





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### The Camelina Value Chain objectives



• Stakeholders: TAROM, Airbus, Camelina Company España, UOP

Feedstock: Camelina Sativa



- ➤ Develop a sustainable biofuel supply chain capable of producing 100 000 tonnes of Camelina Biofuel in the coming years (objective = 2015)
- Strengthen the project in order to link it with the European Advanced Biofuels Flightpath (2M tons of biofuels to be produced in Europe by 2020)
- Sustainability Assessment and LCA studies conducted by Manchester Metropolitan University
- TAROM Biofuel Flight is planned in the first half of 2012
- Biofuel refinery development in progress in partnership with UOP and a Romanian local refinery









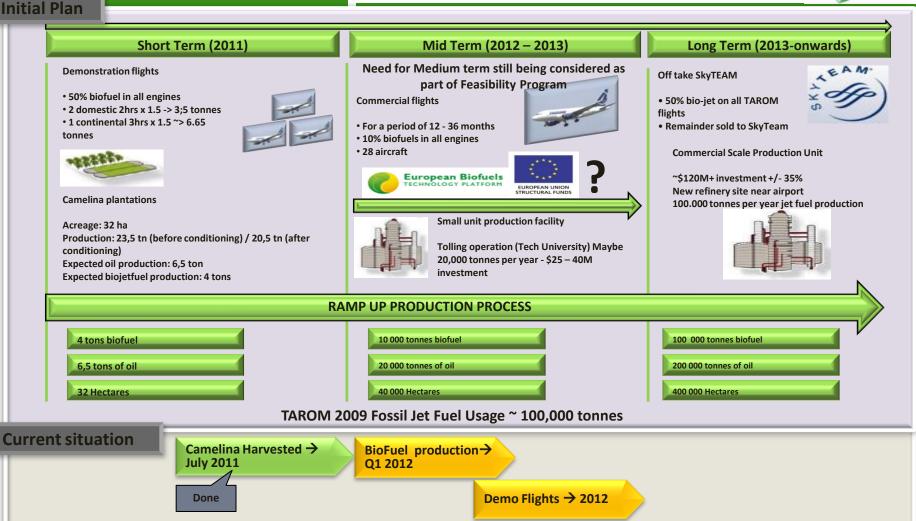




### **ICAO AVIATION AND SUSTAINABLE ALTERNATIVE FUELS**

### The Camelina Value **Chain roadmap**







### **Sustainability aspects**



#### **MANAGEMENT & COORDINATION**



### AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT



TECHNOLOGICAL DEVELOPMENT



AERONAUTICAL DEVELOPMENT









#### SUSTAINABILITY ASSESSMENT









- Life Cycle Analysis
- •RED/RSB sustainable analysis
- Environmental impact
- Cost/Benefit analysis



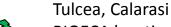
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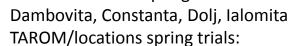




TAROM/ locations autumn trails:

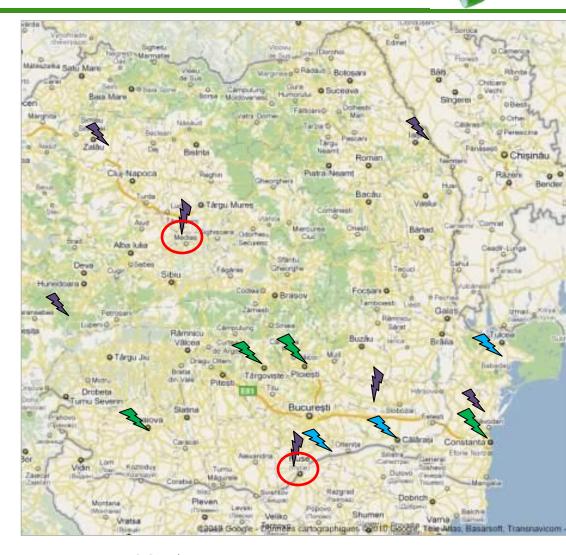


BIOECA locations spring trials:



Cluj, Iasi, Calarasi

Farmer entity	County	Surface seeded (Ha)
SC. Agrozootehnica S.A.,	GIURGIU	3 Ha
Copsa Mica	SIBIU	0.05 Ha





## Mihailesti Trial from seeding to oil



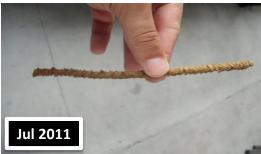
3 varieties / 2 periods for sowing > Austria-Calena; Germania-GP 202; Romania-Camelia

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### Land Use Change assessment wrt. Sustainability Criteria



- Objective is to assess historical land-use (2007- 2011) and prepare land destination for 2012 according to sustainability criteria.
- Example of Questionnaire distributed to farmers to collect the data:

Crop lands	Forestry and woodland, including orchards	Inundated land	Irrigated Iand	Abandoned land	Marginal land	Land Regeneration & urban greening	Other polluted	Involved in another project trial
17 ha	-	~4	2 ha	4 ha	3ha	-	0.5ha	1.5 ha

<sup>\*</sup>Figures related to all demo trials.

- 1. Romania has 3,2 M Ha of uncultivated land / 800 000 Ha of polluted land.
- 2. Objective is to support Romanian Government Policy on Land Use based on Sustainability criterias
- 3. A working Group (AIRBUS-TAROM + Romanian Government) has been setup to develop a clear policy on land use

#### **Contaminated land**



### Copsa Mica: 0.5 ha camelina

- Copsa Mica was one of Europe's most Polluted area (smokes, contaminated land & water, ...):
  - Carbosin that produced carbon shut down in 1993
  - but Sometra, a non-ferrous metallurgical smelter still operating.



### Research:

- Trial dedicated to investigation on metal traceability from soil to plant, seed & oil (i.e focus on vanadium)
- A dedicated research team is already in place (MMU).
- The main Research topics and targets are:
  - Develop a **process** to collect data, measure results and propose corrective actions
  - Design a **Quality assurance system** for the entire Value Chain



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### Perspectives for Romania and EU Agriculture



- The BioFuels production aims to offer many advantages for the Romanian agriculture development but the sector needs to:
  - Implement a programme to support Camelina growers (i.e. Incentives, ...)
  - Coordinate this programme with all ministries involved in the Camelina Value Chain in order to make it profitable and sustainable for Romania
  - Create Regional "Centres of Competence" for Camelina growers including association of farmers and distributors
  - Develop a policy for commercialisation of Camelina side-products (i.e. cake as animal feed)
  - Involve neighbouring countries: Prepare cultivation Polish Camelina (Przybrodzka II)
     in Romania in spring 2012

### Perspectives for Romania and EU Industry – Economy - Energy



- New type of market is synonym of economical development and growth:
  - New jobs and revenues for farmers
  - New production areas for existing refineries and transformation facilities
  - New context for internal or external investors
- New perspectives for efficient use of existing capabilities in Romania
  - Use uncultivated land and marginal land. Crop rotation opportunity.
  - Efficient use of available refineries
  - Development of a new model of self-sustained / energy farms
- Improve Energy security based on sustainable and renewable energy sources
- This project is an initiative preparing the EU strategy for BioFuels (European BioFuels FlightPath) → Produce 2M Tons of Biofuels in 2020



### Thank you