

GoodFuels Marine Receives RSB Certification for Its Sustainable Marine Biofuels

[GoodFuels Marine](#), the first marine biofuel company focused on the global commercial fleet, has received RSB certification, enabling the company to actively sell and promote RSB-certified biofuels to the shipping industry.

As reported in [Motorship](#), "We looked around and found the strictest standard, provided by the RSB," says Sjors Geraedts of GoodFuels Marine. "So, RSB certification is a useful element in showing that the fuel meets ethical as well as environmental standards."

News of this was also covered in [Hellenic Shipping News](#), [Ship and Bunker](#), [Biodiesel Magazine](#), [Biofuels Digest](#), and others.



Photo Credit: GoodFuels. GoodNRG Sustainability Committee (from left to right) Barbara Bramble, Chair of RSB Board of Directors, Martin Junginger, Associate Professor at Utrecht University, Patricia Osseweijer, Professor of Sustainability at TU Delft

Solvay/ABT First Bio-Based Chemical Operator in Asia to Earn RSB Certification



[Solvay subsidiary Advanced Biochemical Thailand Co., Ltd. \(ABT\)](#) received RSB certification for the production of Epicerol®, a bio-based building block for renewable chemicals and resins. The certificate covers the manufacture of bio-based epichlorohydrin (ECH), using Solvay's innovative technology, from vegetable glycerol derived from biodiesel and oleochemical production.

"We are extremely proud of this evaluation which is recognised by leading NGOs," said Bruno Van Parys, ABT Vice-President. "RSB certification validates Epicerol® as the leading bio-based ECH for customers because of its outstanding environmental attributes."

News of this was covered in [Bioplastics Magazine](#), [Chemical Industry Today](#), [World News](#), [Adhesives Magazine](#), and others.

Biofuel From RSB Certified Camelina Oil Now Available at Oslo Airport

Biojet fuel made with RSB certified camelina oil from [Camelina Company España \(CCE\)](#) is now available for all airlines at Oslo airport. CCE has over 150 farmers in Spain demonstrating that large groups of farmers can be certified successfully and efficiently according to the RSB Standard.



News of this was covered in [Airport Technology](#), [Aviation Pros](#), [BP](#), [SkyNRG](#), and others.

Aviation Biofuel Workshop in South Africa

RSB staff recently participated in an aviation biofuel workshop with the [South African Department of Energy](#) and several RSB members, including [Boeing](#), [WWF South Africa](#), [SkyNRG](#), [Sunchem](#) in Johannesburg.

The aim of the workshop was to present opportunities of developing a value chain for sustainable aviation biofuels in South Africa and beyond. It also included the progress and expansion plans of the [Solaris project](#).



RSB's Standards Development Director, Elena Schmidt, presented and described how RSB can help de-risk value chains and support policy development.

China Quality Certification Centre (CQC) and RSB Collaborate for Sustainable Biomaterials



*Photo Credit: CQC
CQC Director, Mrs. Wang Kejiao,
signing MOU with RSB*

RSB and [CQC](#) have entered an MOU to work together in expanding RSB certification in China. CQC will serve as a key RSB certification body in China and will work with RSB to develop the effective policy of sustainable biomaterials in China.

CQC provides various certification and relevant technical services, including safety and performance, energy saving and low-carbon, GHG emission reduction, the improvement of management, international certification and training services.

Upcoming Events

Below is a list of upcoming (and ongoing) events that RSB staff are hosting, speaking at, or attending. Visit our [events web page](#) for updates.

5-6 April 2016 - **9th International Conference on Bio-based Materials, Cologne, Germany**

Visit RSB's table and talk to Melanie Williams who will be participating in this conference where topics will focus on bio-based building blocks and polymers, biorefineries and industrial biotechnology and how policy and markets affect the bioeconomy.



4-6 May 2016 - **RSB Course, High Wycombe, United Kingdom**

We look forward to welcoming auditors, consultants or industry representatives at this RSB course. Take this opportunity to learn about recent RSB standards updates and their practical

implementation, and meet with other professionals engaged with the implementation of sustainability standards.

 <p>ASTRA-ACADEMY</p> <p>Sustainability in action</p>	 <p>RSB ROUNDTABLE ON SUSTAINABLE BIOMATERIALS</p>	<p>Training Program Objectives</p>
<p>RSB Training</p> <p>The Roundtable on Sustainable Biomaterials (RSB) is an international multi-stakeholder initiative that brings together farmers, companies, non-governmental organizations, experts, governments, and inter-governmental agencies concerned with ensuring the sustainability of biomaterials production and processing. Since 2006 the RSB has worked with numerous organizations and individuals throughout the world to develop a global bioenergy standard with widespread recognition.</p> <p>Training is an essential element of the RSB system. Outstanding qualification of auditors, consultants and industry professionals is intrinsic to the value of the RSB certification. ASTRAcademy has been supporting the RSB with the development and implementation of RSB Training. The RSB Training Program is presented as a blended program, combining e-learning with face-to-face courses. The training program has been developed in close collaboration with RSB.</p>	<p>Registrations on the ASTRAcademy website</p>  <p>Face-to-face course 4-6 May 2016 High Wycombe, U.K. Inquiries: tlvlu@astracademy.net</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. E-learning: understand the structure of the RSB as a certification system and learn about the detailed content of its standards for participating operators and certification bodies 2. Face-to-face course: develop knowledge and skill relating to the practical application of RSB standards  <p>Costs: 1100 Euro, including registration, online and face-to-face course, course certificate.</p> <p>Who should participate:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Auditors working with certification bodies • Consultants in the biomaterials/biofuels sector • Industry representatives (e.g. biomaterials, biofuels, aviation, agriculture, etc.)

24-26 May 2016 - Sustainable Purchasing Leadership Council Summit, Washington, DC
Join Barbara Bramble, RSB Board Chair, at this gathering of over 300 leaders in sustainable procurement for an opportunity to share best practices, build valuable relationships with thought leaders from around the United States and world, and influence the future of sustainable purchasing.



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