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.

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.

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**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.

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

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.

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**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
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.