

ISCC requirements and first steps for the certification

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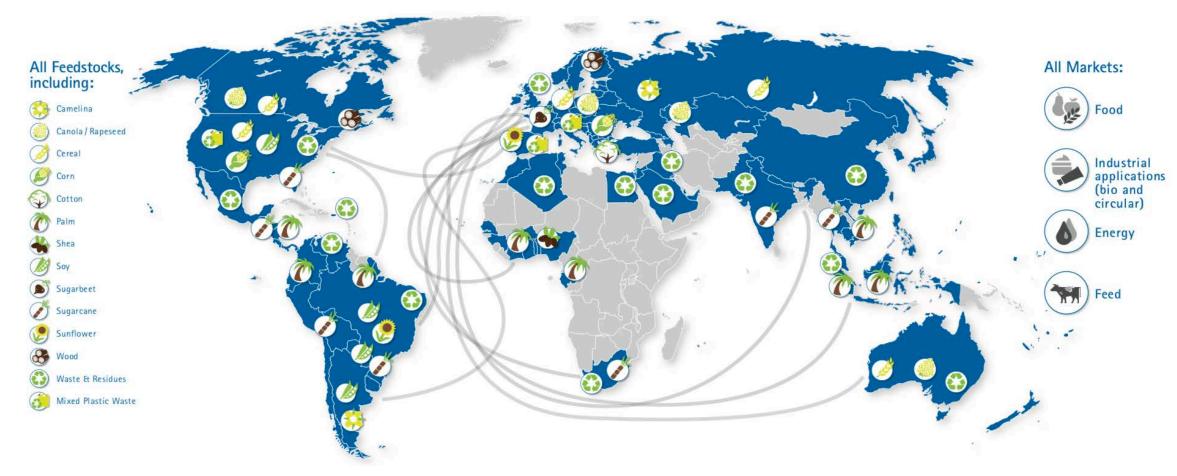
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Set-up and application of ISCC





ISCC is a leading certification scheme globally applicable for a wide range of feedstocks and markets





ISCC is a well-established and credible certification standard

160+ Trainings for Auditors and System Users performed

45.000+ certificates 8,100+ system users

54 certification bodies 980+ ISCC trained auditors

System users in 130+ countries

7 Voluntary addspecific customer

ons to address requirements



Stakeholder dialogue: 230+ ISCC

Association members



Discussion platform with 4 Regional and 6 **Technical** Committees



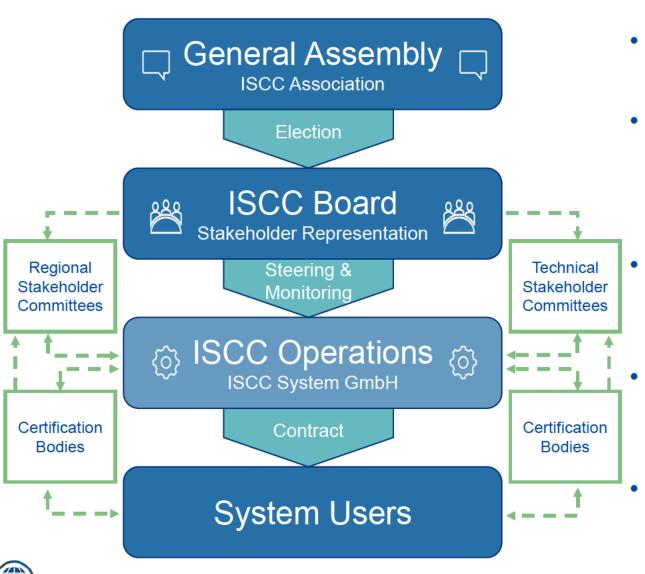
Integrity Programme: 4 independent auditors





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Organisational set up of ISCC



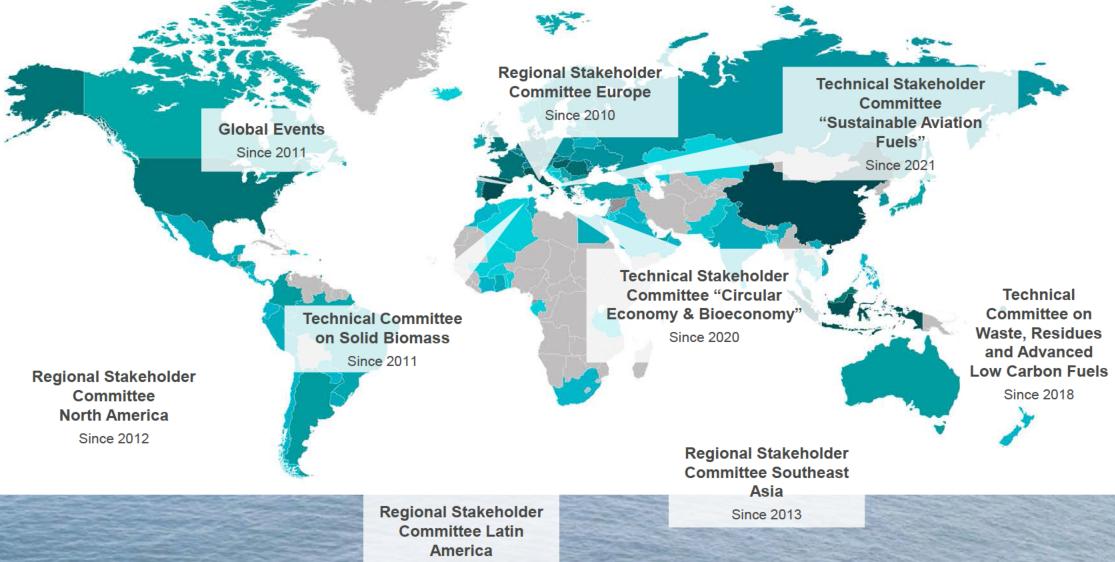
- ISCC is a multi-stakeholder initiative
- The ISCC Association includes members from different stakeholder groups and is represented by the ISCC Board
- Daily operations are carried out by ISCC System GmbH, located in Cologne
- Various stakeholder committees guarantee active stakeholder dialogue
- The collaboration of all stakeholders and system users guarantees a continuous improvement of the standard

The ISCC Association is a multi-stakeholder initiative comprised of more than 200 members





Emphasis on a regular stakeholder dialogue



Since 2010



ISCC's cooperating Certification Bodies conduct audits on a regional and global scale



































































































All kinds of agricultural and forestry feedstocks can be certified under ISCC

Examples



Soy



Sugarcane



Rapeseed/ Canola



Sugarbeet



Palm



Wood



Sunflower



Cotton







Corn



Shea Nuts



Camelina



Leading system for the certification of waste and residues and focuses on innovative feedstocks

Waste and processing residues



Forestry / Examples agricultural crop residues



Used cooking oil



Landfill gas



Tall oil



Renewable electricity



Forestry residues



End-of-life tyres



Municipal solid waste / mixed plastic waste



Crude glycerine



CO₂



Husks



Straw



Mandatory and voluntary sustainability requirements in different markets





Energy

Food





Feed



ISCC offers three certification systems, application depending on the market

ISCC EU



- Applicable for sustainable fuels used in the European Union
- To demonstrate compliance with the EU's sustainability criteria for biofuels set out in the RED II

ISCC PLUS







- Application for voluntary and certain regulated markets
 - Energy and biofuels outside the European Union (e.g. Japan, Australia)
 - Industrial applications
 - Food and feed markets

ISCC CORSIA



- Applicable for sustainable aviation fuels under ICAO CORSIA
- To demonstrate compliance with the sustainability and GHG criteria for CORSIA eligible fuels





ISCC certification process and requirements



A valid certificate is necessary to register for the Nabisy platform

STEP 1

Company signs a contract with certification body

STEP 2

Company registers
with ISCC as
System user

STEP 3

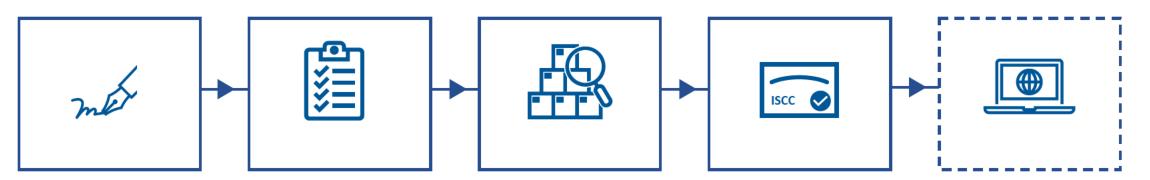
CB conducts the audit

STEP 4

CB Issues the certificate

STEP 6

System user hands in Nabisy application form to ISCC



- All CBs
 cooperating with
 ISCC are
 published on the
 ISCC Website
- Registration process via the ISCC website.
- The auditor verifies compliance with ISCC requirements
- ISCC publishes the certificate and the Summary Audit Report on the ISCC website.
- Form is transferred to the BLE.
- The BLE creates the Nabisy account and Proofs of Sustainability can be uploaded.



ISCC certification ensures sustainability and GHG emissions reductions along global supply chains

ISCC certification ensures



Traceability of sustainable materials through the supply chain



Sustainability in feedstock production



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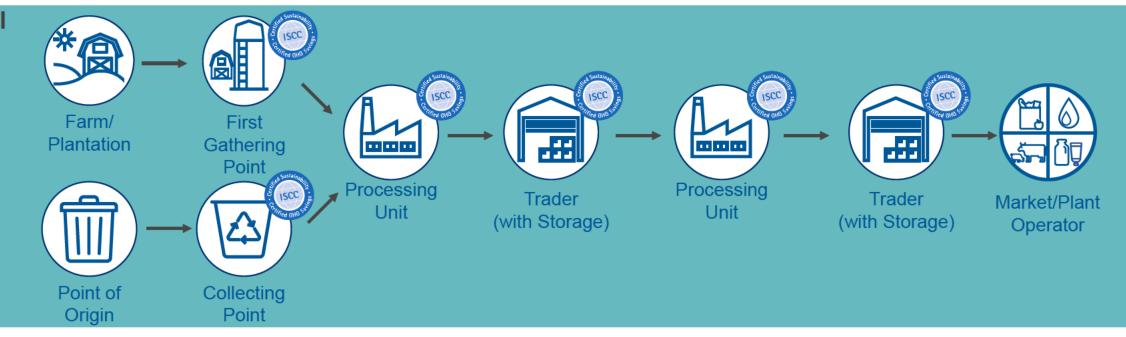


Verified reduction of GHG emissions

Overview of supply chains under ISCC

Agricultural and forest biomass and residues

Waste, residues, renewable non-bio feedstocks

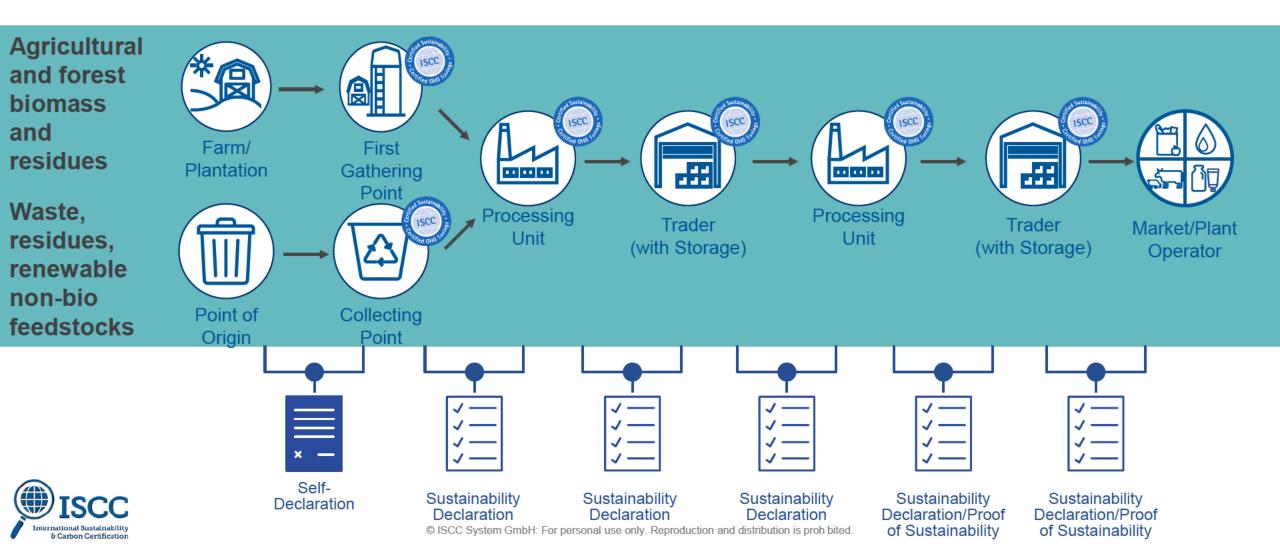


General supply chain audit requirements

- √ Management system
- Traceability documents and mass balance
- ✓ GHG Emissions (voluntary under ISCC PLUS, not applicable for trader/storage)

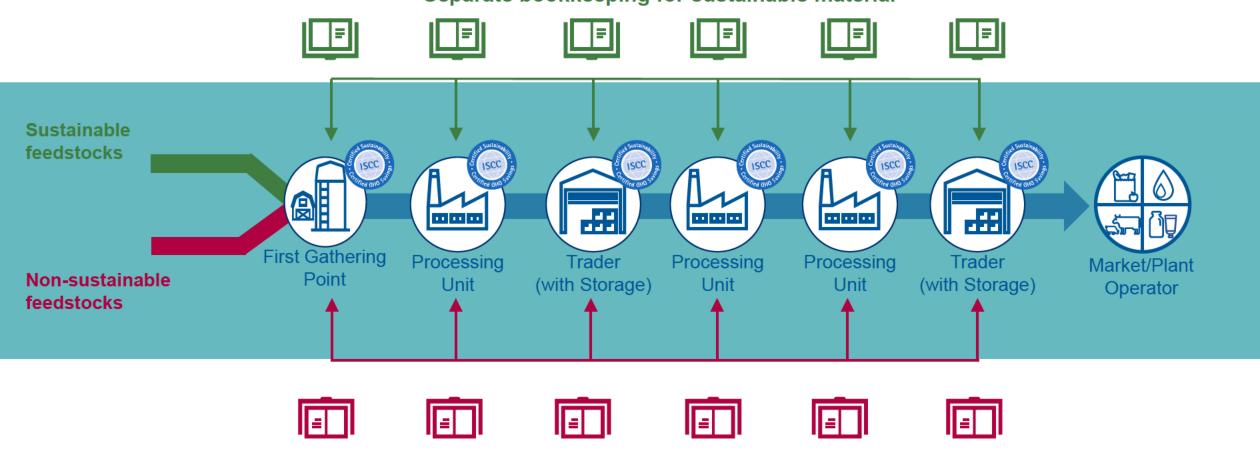


Information on sustainable material forwarded through supply chains



Mass balance approach: Sustainable and non-sustainable material **Can** be physically mixed but must be kept separated in the bookkeeping

Separate bookkeeping for sustainable material





Separate bookkeeping for non-sustainable material

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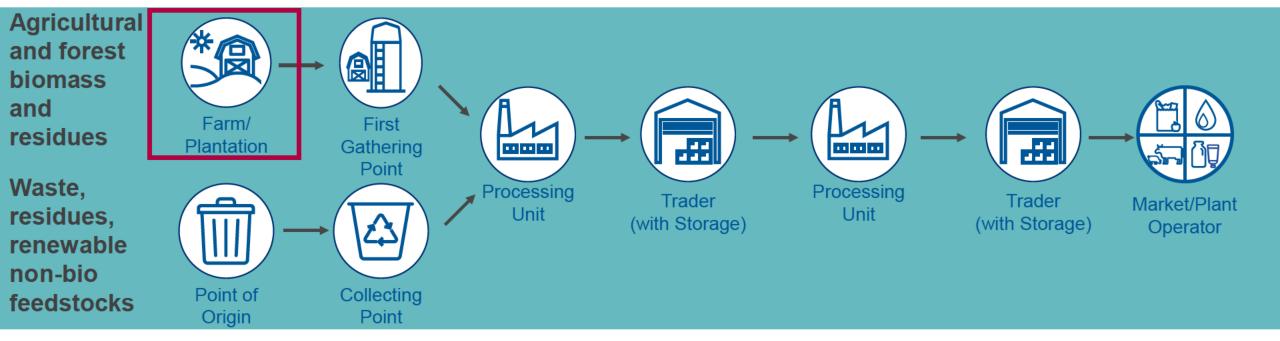
Sustainability in feedstock production



Traceability of sustainable materials through the supply chain

Verified reduction of GHG emissions

Sustainability in feedstock production-Requirements for farms and plantations in agricultural supply chains





ISCC Sustainability Principles



Principle 1
Protection of land
with high biodiversity
value or high carbon
stock



Principle 2
Environmentally responsible production to protect soil, water and air



Principle 3
Safe workers
conditions



Principle 4
Compliance with
human and labour
rights and responsible
community relations



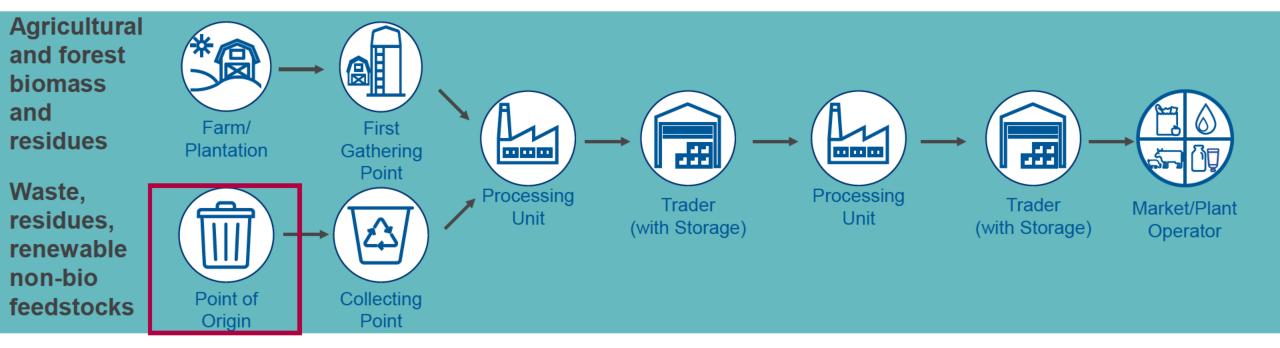
Principle 5
Compliance with land rights, laws and international treaties



Principle 6
Good management practices and continuous improvement



Sustainability in feedstock production-Requirements for Points of Origin in waste and residues supply chains





The correct declaration of the material at the point of origin is crucial in waste and residue supply chains



A point of origin (PoO) is the operation where waste or residues occur or are generated



Public or Communal Collection Sites, Landfill Operations



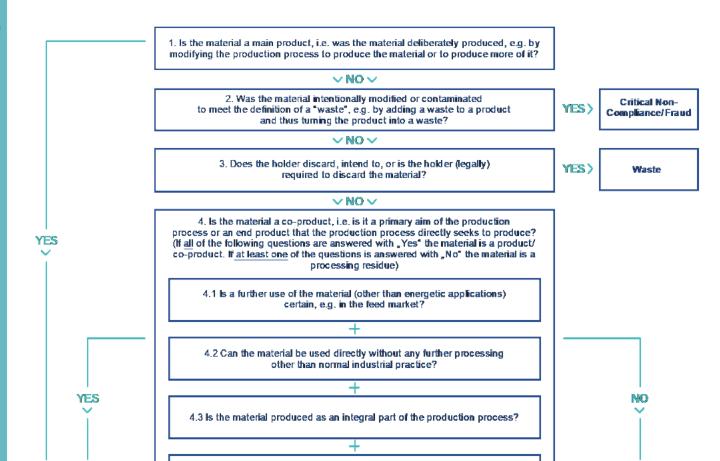
Business and Companies



Public Containers



Farms or plantations



4.4 is the further use lawful?

Processing

Residue



Product/

Co-Product

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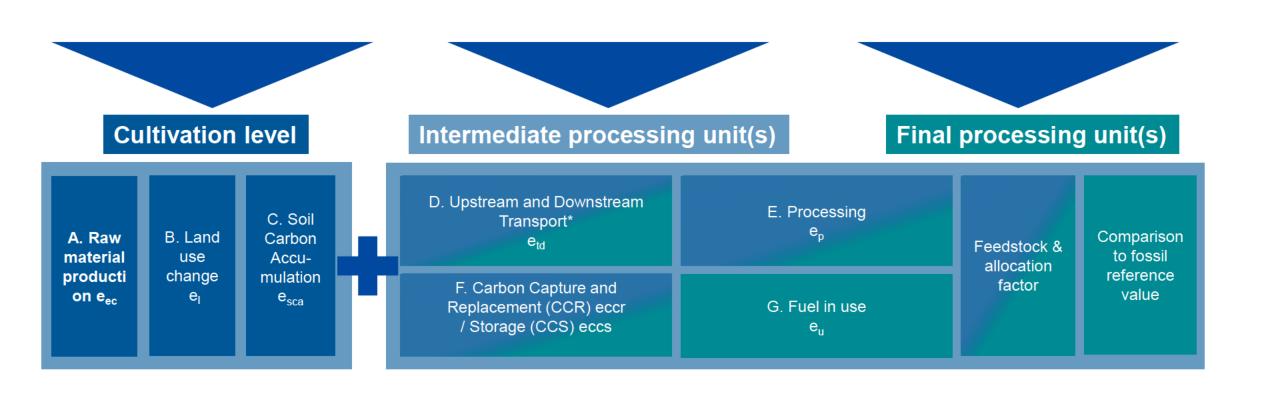
RED II provides the GHG calculation formula for biofuels/bioliquids

$$E = e_{ec} + e_l + e_p + e_{td} + e_u - e_{sca} - e_{CCS} - e_{CCR}$$

- E Total GHG emissions from supply and use of the fuel (in g CO_{2eq}/MJ)
- e_{ec} GHG emissions from the extraction or cultivation of raw materials
- e_l Annualized (over 20 years) GHG emissions from carbon stock change due to land use change
- e_p GHG emissions from processing
- e_{td} GHG emissions from transport and distribution
- e_u GHG emissions from the fuel in use
- e_{sca} GHG emissions savings from soil carbon accumulation via improved agricultural management
- e_{ccs} GHG emissions savings from carbon capture and geological storage
- e_{ccr} GHG emissions savings from carbon capture and replacement



Different formula elements are relevant at different stages of the supply chain



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Risk management approach

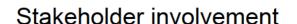




Ensuring integrity and credibility is at the heart of the ISCC certification system

ISCC's Risk Management Approach







External, riskbased, third-party audits



Requirements for certification bodies & feedback mechanisms









Internal audits and self-assessments

ISCC Integrity Programme

Complaint procedures

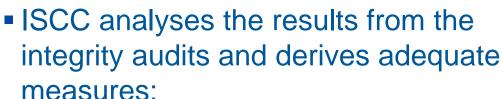
Transparency & sanctions



The ISCC Integrity Programme

- ISCC conducts integrity audits through independent integrity auditors to monitor the CBs' verification activities and companies' compliance with ISCC requirements
- Candidates are chosen partly on a random basis, and partly on a risk-based approach





- Adaptations of existing ISCC system documents, audit procedures, templates
- Improved communication through System Updates, CB meetings, ISCC trainings, specific mailings to clarify requirements



- Possible consequences in cases where non-compliance is detected:
 - Suspension or withdrawal of certificate
 - Exclusion from re-certification
 - Warnings, Yellow Cards, or Red Cards for certification bodies
 - Exclusion of auditors





Thank you!

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