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## **EurObserv'ER biofuels barometer available: The growth in biofuel consumption slowed down in 2010**

### **Key data for the year 2010:**

- Increase in EU biofuel consumption: +13.6% (+28.9 % between 2008 and 2009)
- Total EU biofuel consumption: 13.9 Mtoe
- Biodiesel share in European biofuel consumption: 77.3%

Once again growth in bioethanol fuel consumption (26.1% between 2009 and 2010) outpaced that of biodiesel consumption (11.1%), see Tables 1 and 2 on PDF pages 5 and 6 of the Biofuels Barometer. The lack of interest in vegetable oil consumption is hardening (down 14.3%) and may still be due to increased German taxation on this biofuel. Biogas fuel consumption leapt by 40.1% year-on-year and is almost unique to Sweden, while other EU countries struggle to develop it.

Besides the 2010 realisations *per EU Member State* other subjects that are discussed in the new barometer are:

- Sustainability of biofuels
- Selected country reviews
- Renewable energy policies
- Industry overview with production capacity
- Comparison with National Renewable Energy Action Plans

## About the EurObserv'ER Barometer

The EurObserv'ER Barometer regularly publishes indicators reflecting the current dynamics in renewable energies (solar, wind, hydropower, geothermal and biomass, biogas, biofuels) worldwide and within the European Union. In '*The State of Renewable Energies in Europe*' two additional technologies have been assessed: solar thermal electricity, small hydropower and ocean energy.

See also the EurObserv'ER policy files at [www.eurobserv-er.org/policy.asp](http://www.eurobserv-er.org/policy.asp) with renewable energy policies in all 27 EU Member States for all technologies

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