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## V4+ Sustainable Biofuel Alliance

Position Paper on the 2018 Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) special report

## Key findings:

- Any hope of keeping global warming below 2 degrees requires immediate action in the next decade and further action to 2050, and in particular action in the transport and industrial sectors, where real action is not occurring
- Progress in the power sector alone is not enough. Large progress in that sector does not substitute for action in other sectors. Even by 2050, oil will continue to have a large role in transport.
- > As regards the transport sector, where oil still supplies almost all energy not supplied by biofuels, both biofuels and electrification must be expanded at unprecedented rates.
- Biofuels can displace more oil in 2020 and 2030 than renewable electricity, but the two solutions will be roughly equal in scale by 2050. Even then, oil will continue to be as large as either of these solutions.
- > pathway must include more biofuels and electricity in transport's energy mix.

## **Conclusions**

All available options, including biofuels, must be mobilised. In transport, policymakers have been debating which options to favour- and achieving almost no actual results. They need to start focusing on the real issue, which is that all options that displace oil must be mobilised.

In transport, biofuels in Europe are both operating at scale and inexpensive. They are not only a success story, but the only EU success story in transport decarbonisation. Other than high-ILUC biofuels, their role must be increased rather than constrained going forward.

The V4+ Biofuel Alliance consists of 31 bioethanol, biodiesel and advanced biofuel producers and investors from the V4 countries, Bulgaria, Lithuania and Latvia. Together, we provide market for 3.54 million tonnes of EU-grown sustainable corn and 2.77 million tonnes of EU-grown sustainable rapeseed, in addition to providing jobs directly and indirectly for 500,000 people.