

Certifying Feedstock, Biofuel Production and Biofuel to RSB Standards

Roundtable for Sustainable Biofuels: the Industry Benchmark

The aviation industry has long expressed the goal of demonstrating the sustainability of its alternative aviation fuels through a robust process that can include certification of biofuel production to the Roundtable of Sustainable Biomaterials' standards. RSB certification confers a mark of approval on biofuels that should meet the most demanding stakeholder requirements for demonstrated sustainability.

Help from Futurepast

Futurepast provides consulting and auditing services to ensure that biofuel feedstock producers, processors, and production facilities meet the RSB standards. We've been trained and certified by RSB, and have experience providing audit services to third-party RSB certification bodies.

Preparing for Certification

Futurepast consultants can help you integrate RSB principles, criteria and indicators in the management of feedstock, processing and production operations throughout the supply chain. We assist as well on the calculation of life cycle emissions and prepare your operations and supply chain for the rigorous RSB third-party audit. We'll help you tune your management system to lower your risks of noncompliance and improve the predictability of operational results.

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Futurepast offers first-party and second-party audit services for operators in the biofuel supply chain that wish to ensure the compliance with RSB and other biofuel standards, including RFS2 and RED, of their own facilities or those of their supply chain partners.





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Meeting the SAFUG Goal

Many of the most prominent actors in the aviation and airline industries have subscribed to a pledge issued by the Sustainable Aviation Fuel Users' Group "to advance the development, certification, and commercial use of drop-in sustainable biofuels." At a minimum, SAFUG recommends that four sustainability criteria be met:

1. Plant-based fuel feedstocks should not compete with food uses;
2. Biofuels should demonstrate significant reductions in greenhouse gas emissions;
3. Socio-economic indicators should demonstrate the local improvement of small-scale farmers in developing countries; and
4. High value conservation areas and native ecosystems should not be cleared and converted for jet fuel plant source development.

The SAFUG pledge also states that "these criteria should be consistent with and complimentary to emerging internationally-recognized standards such as those being developed by the Roundtable for Sustainable Biofuels" [now "Biomaterials"].

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