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Biofuels and Motor Fuel Quality – Enemies or Allies?

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# Spark ignition (SI) engines

- Blend of  $x$  % renewable components with gasoline
  - Accepted in new and existing fleets
  - Standardised quality
  - Emissions standards
  - Durability
  - Existing infrastructure
- Ethanol E85
  - Standardised quality
  - Requires adapted vehicles and new infrastructure
- Biogas
  - Requires adapted vehicles and new expensive infrastructure
  - Good GHG potential

# Compression ignition (CI) engines

- Blend of x %FAME/FAEE with diesel fuel
- Hydrogenated Renewable Oil – blended with diesel fuel
- Biomass to liquid (BTL)
  - Accepted in existing and new vehicle fleets
  - Standardised quality,
  - Emission standards
  - Durability
  - Existing infrastructure
- Ethanol for modified diesel engines
- Heavier alcohols? Acetals? Blended in diesel fuel
- DME
  - Requires adapted vehicles and new infrastructure
  - Good emission performance

# Quality of fuels

- Quality specification in EN standards
- Standardisation by CEN technical committees with representation from relevant stakeholders
- Technical basis for specification
- Development work on analytical methods and correlation with performance in vehicles

# Summary

- Production routes
  - Efficient use of biomass
  - High GHG reduction potential
  - Sustainability
- Quality important to ensure trouble-free operation of vehicles and acceptance from the public
- Fact based information on biofuels