

# International Bioeconomy Dialogues

## The Gruppo CAP case study





# GRUPPO CAP

## Area



NO. INHABITANTS SERVED  
**2,5 MILLION**



WATER NETWORK km  
**6.483**



SEWAGE NETWORK km  
**6.808**



WELLS  
**782**



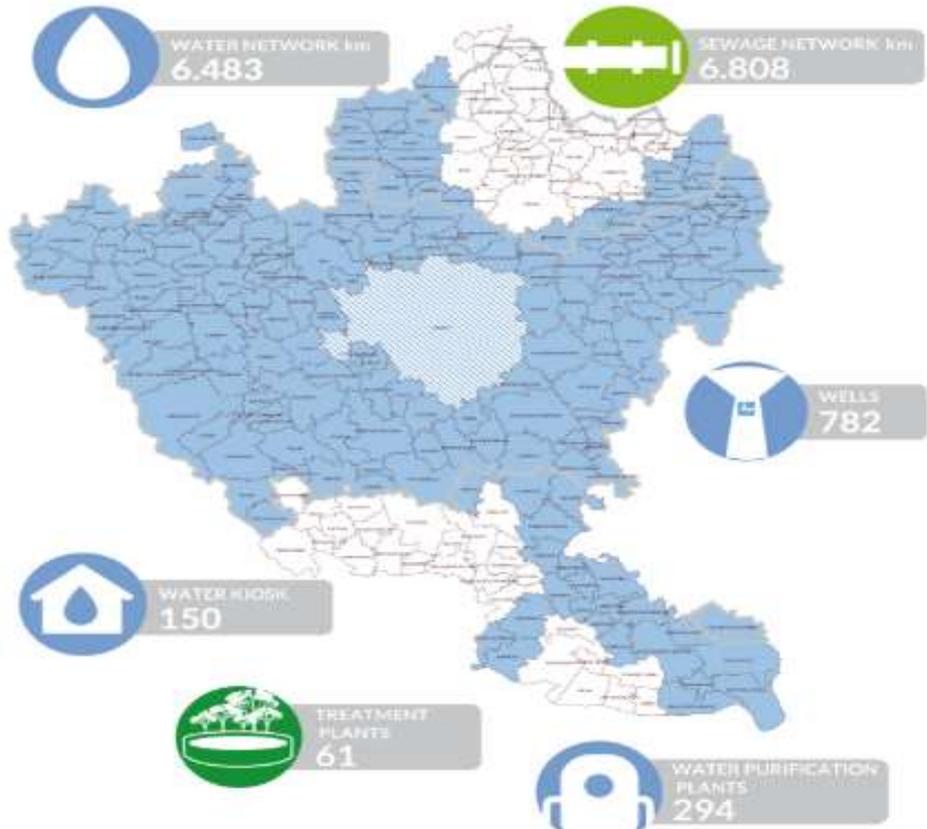
WATER KIOSK  
**150**



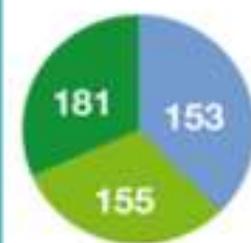
TREATMENT PLANTS  
**61**



WATER PURIFICATION PLANTS  
**294**



## No. Municipalities served



AQUEDUCT



SEWERS



WATER TREATMENT



## Users



CIVIL  
**287.192**

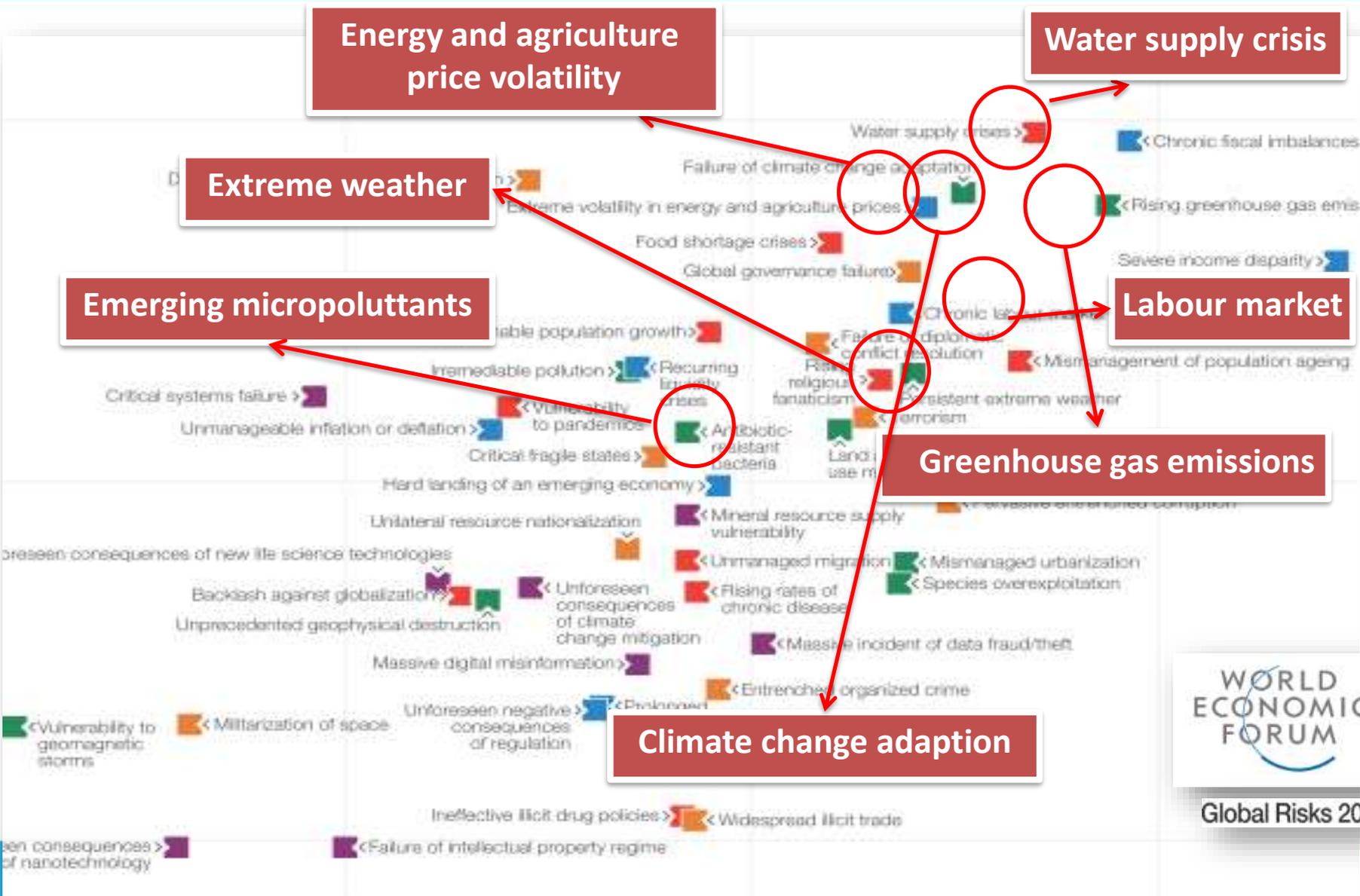


INDUSTRIAL  
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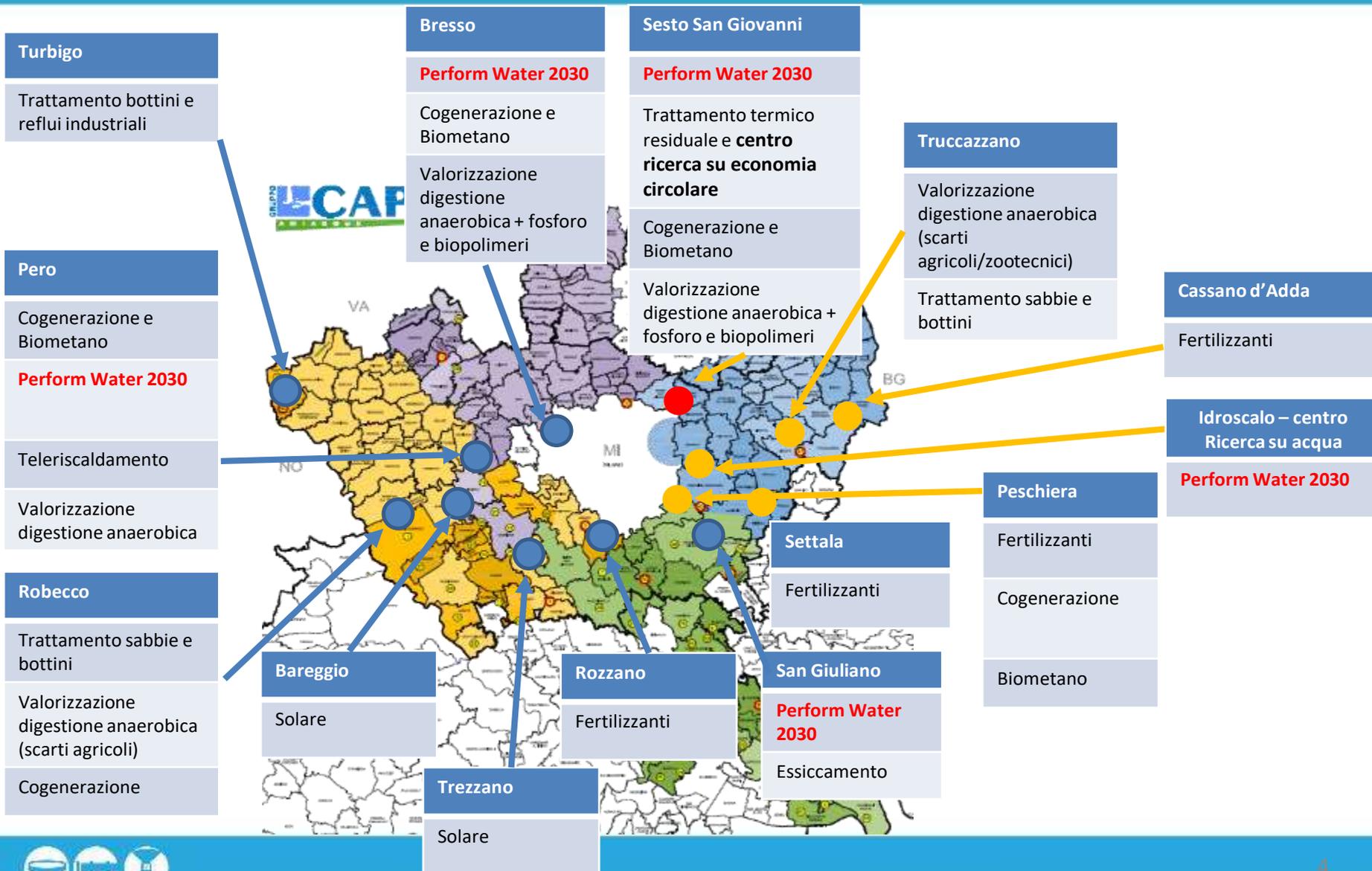
# Global Nexus Risks and water management



Global Risks 2014



# OUR NETWORK





# THE CHALLENGE

SKILLS IMPROVEMENT AND SYNERGIES TOWARDS THE CIRCULAR PERSPECTIVE

PRODUCT PERSPECTIVE

RESOURCE PERSPECTIVE

UTILITY PERSPECTIVE

WATER AS A CONSUMABLE

WATER AS A DURABLE

WATER BALANCE OF A RIVER BASIN

AGRICULTURE AND NUTRIENTS BALANCE

USING EXISTING ASSETS FOR MORE SERVICES

SELLING PERFORMANCE S NOT WATER

DRIVING ASSET RECOVERY

OPTIMISING RESOURCE EFFICIENCY

OUR ABILITY TO EXTRACT ENERGY:  
COGENERATION  
DISTRICT HEATING  
BIOMETHANE  
SOLAR

OUR ABILITY TO EXTRACT NUTRIENTS AND UPGRADE CARBON TO CONSUMER PRODUCTS  
PHOSPHORUS  
BIOPLASTICS

OUR ABILITY TO REUSE WATER IRRIGATION

RESTORING OF ANCIENT IRRIGATION CANALS

FROM SLUDGE TO FERTILIZERS

INDUSTRIAL SYMBIOSIS

SEWAGE OPTICAL FIBER

PHONE ANTENNAS

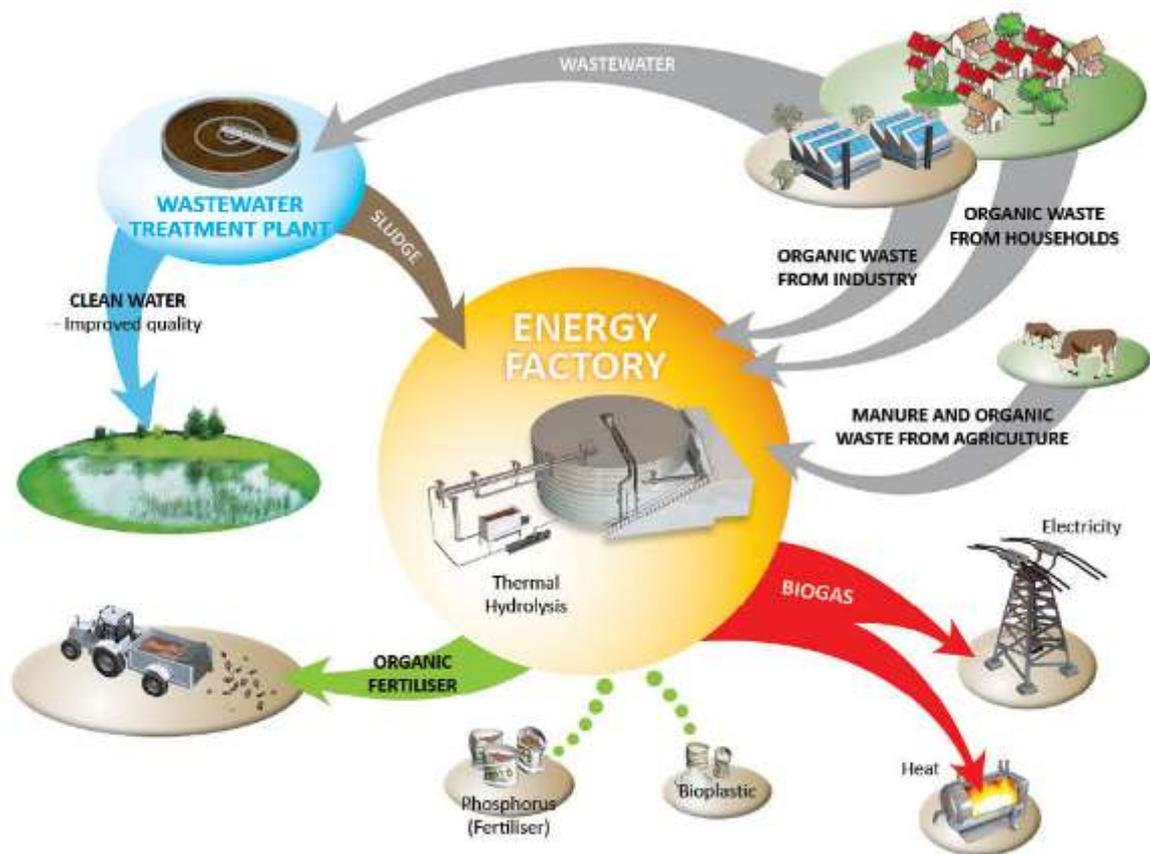
INTERNATIONAL BENCHMARKING

GREEN PUBLIC PROCUREMENT

ENERGY and ASSET OPTIMIZATION



# Wastewater plants as biorefineries



The existing municipal wastewater treatment plants can be renovated and integrated to become multi-purpose urban biorefineries that serve the citizens to treat and valorize municipal waste streams, such as wastewaters and organic waste, towards a coherent urban strategy

Combination of eco-innovative technologies with anaerobic co-digestion allow for the integrated recovery of biomethane, phosphorus, biopolymers



## Resources embedded in municipal wastewater

Parameter	Value
Reusable water (m <sup>3</sup> /capita year)	75-100
Phosphorus in P precursors (kg/capita year)	0,6-1,0
Nitrogen in N precursors (kg/capita year)	4-5
Methane (m <sup>3</sup> / capita year)	10-13
Organic Fertilizer (P-rich compost) (kg/capita year)	8-10
Cellulose (kg/capita year)	5-8
Biopolymers; PHA (kg/capita year)	2-4

Verstraete et al. (2009) *Bioresource Technology* 100, 5537–5545  
 Salehizadej and van Loosdrecht (2004) *Biotechnology Advances* 22, 261–279

Source: SMART-Plant



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**Plus:**

- **Energy efficient wastewater treatment**
- **Additional resources embedded to the organic fraction of municipal waste!**



# Energy extraction



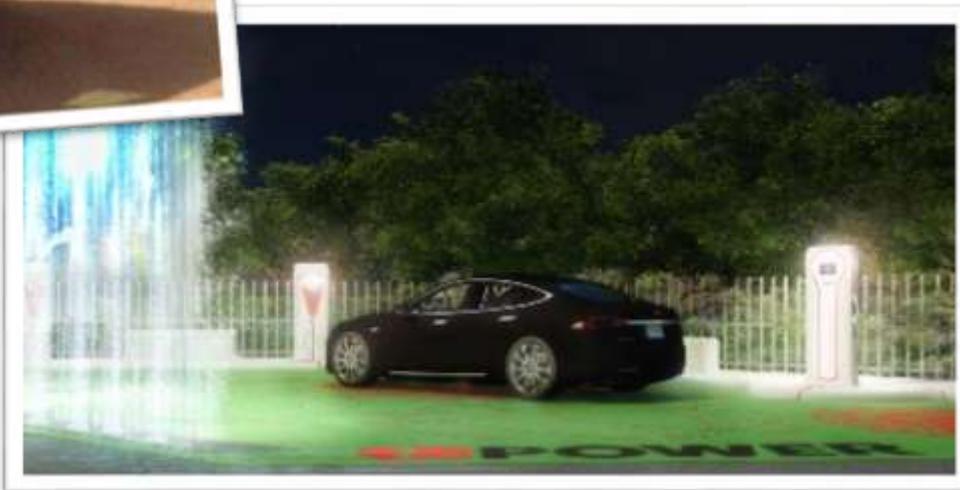
From «0 km» BIOMETHANE.....

**R.it** | Ambiente

## Fare il pieno con l'acqua: nasce il biometano a km zero

*L'esperimento condotto a Milano dal gruppo Cap e da Fca: il combustibile viene dai liquami urbani. "Se si arrivasse a raccogliere il 72,5% dei rifiuti bio prodotti dalle famiglie italiane si potrebbero far viaggiare con gli scarti della cucina tutti gli automezzi della nettezza urbana", calcola Marangoni, ceo di Althesys*

di ANTONIO CIANCIGLIO



To «0 km» Electric vehicle charging stations....



# Resources extraction



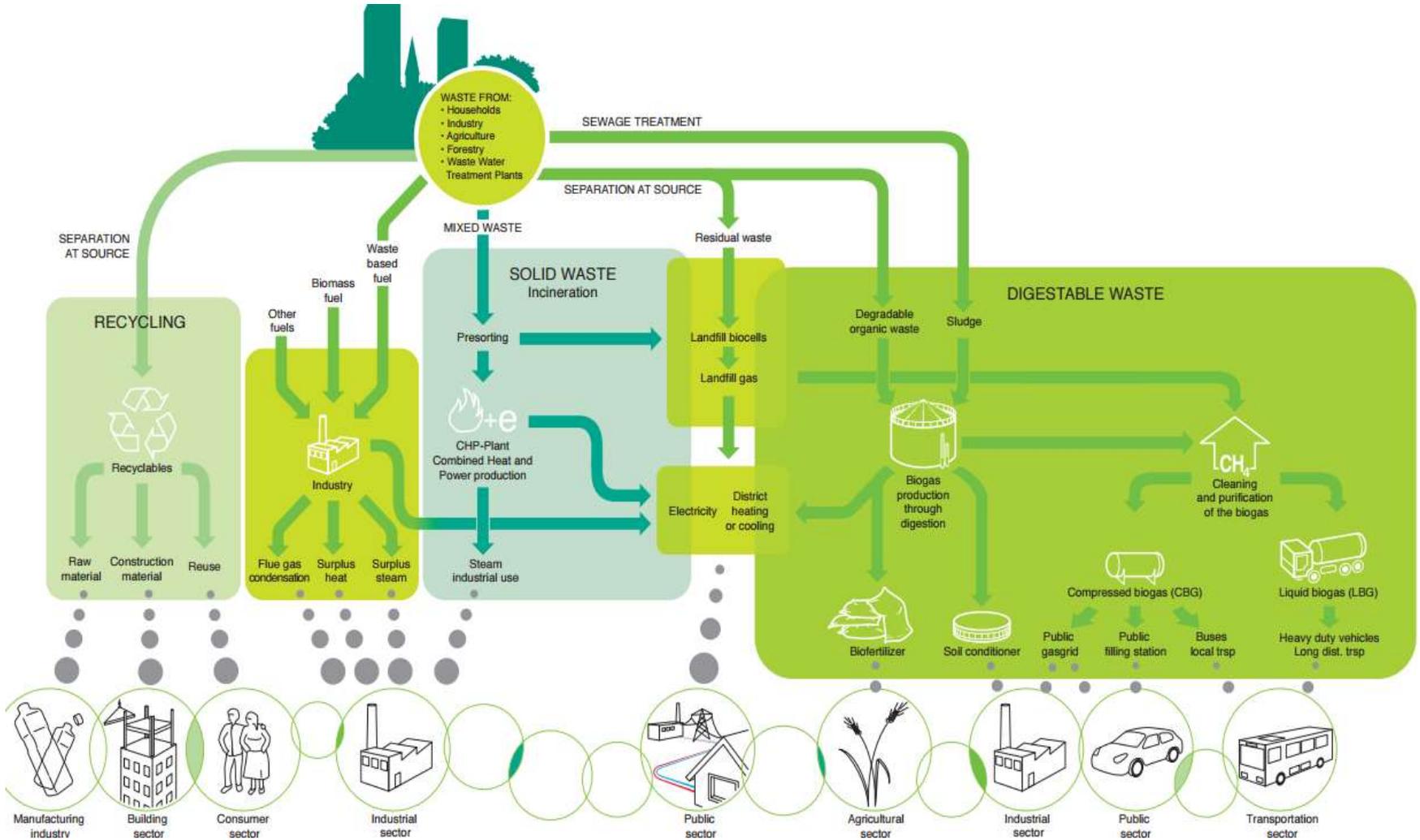
To wastewater reuse....



From Fertilizers....



# INDUSTRIAL SYMBIOSIS





# PARTNERSHIPS

**BIOMETANO**

**RECUPERO  
NUTRIENTI**

**LCA**

**ENERGIA DA  
RIFIUTI  
AGROALIMENTARI**

**UNIMIB**

**RSE**

**CNR-IIA**

**INNOVEN**

**POLIMI**

**F&B**





LA TUA ACQUA IN BUONE MANI



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# LAY OUT

- 1. loggia-Pala
- 2. area sottopala
- 3. area di servizio
- 4. area fitness e yoga
- 5. sala meeting (FOTOGAL)
- 7. area relax (FOTOGAL)
- 8. parcheggio (FOTOGAL)
- 9. CAP - area di servizio
- 11. area verde - Manutenzione
- 12. loggia di servizio
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**CAP**

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**PROGETTO PRELIMINARE**

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**tbpartner**  
Engineering & Consulting

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**PLANIMETRIA GENERALE**

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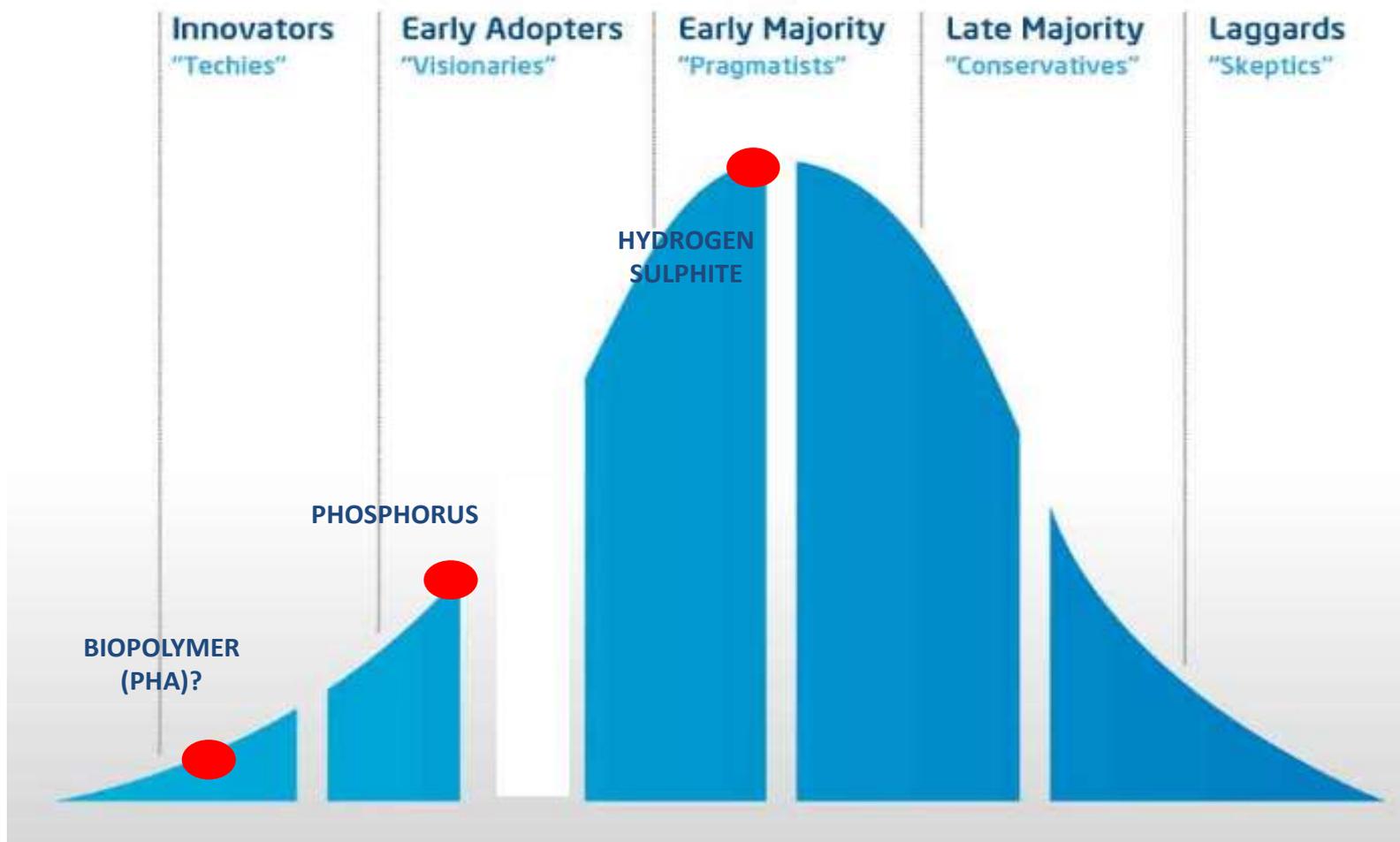
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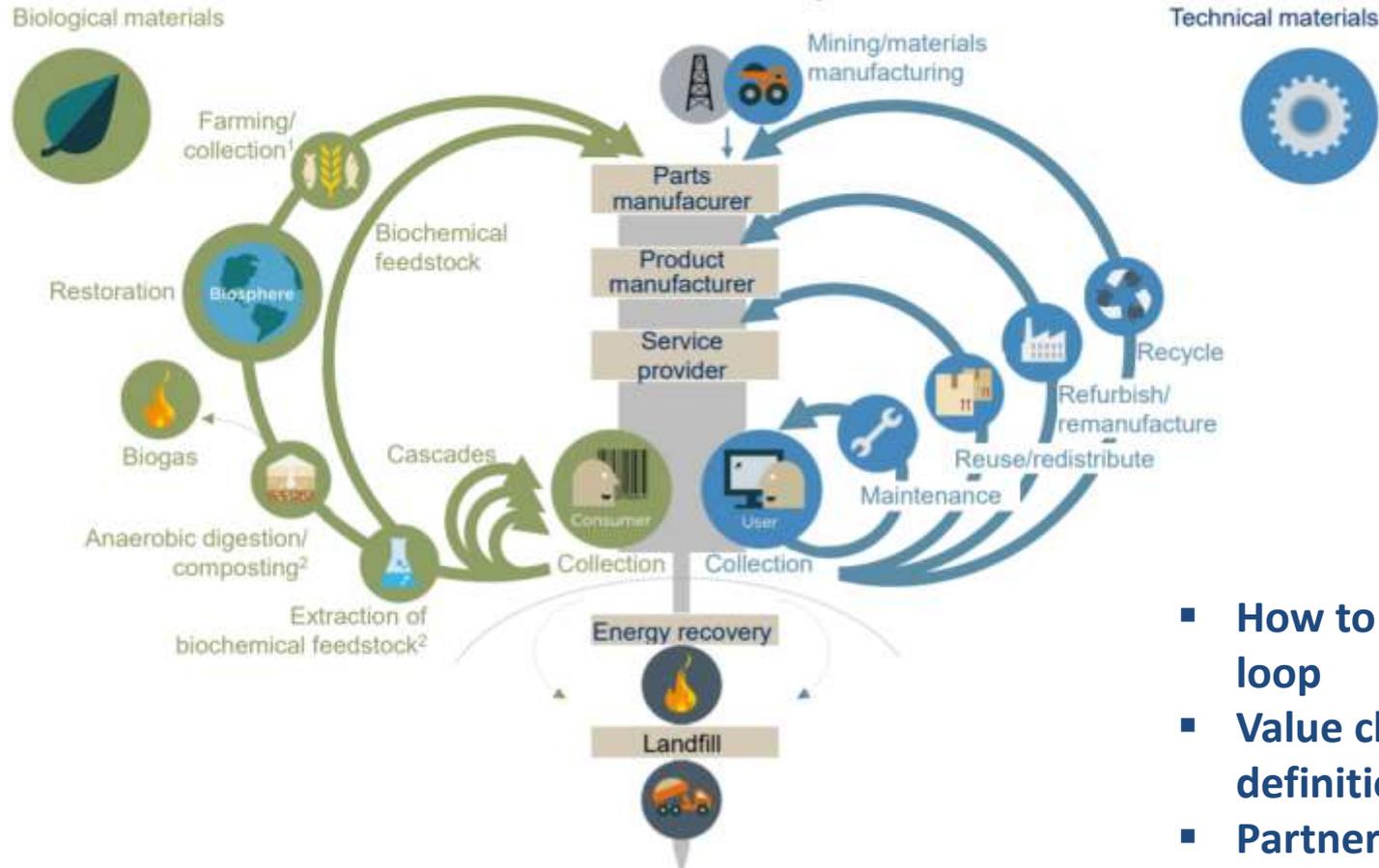
# NEXT STEPS

Technology Adoption Life Cycle





# OPEN DISCUSSION



- How to close the loop
- Value chain definition
- Partnerships
- Product or services?
- .....

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