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#### Integrating steam gasification into established infrastructure in the pulp and paper industry

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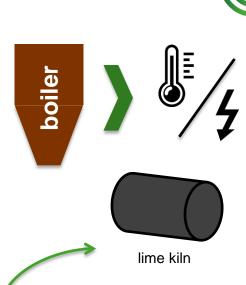




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#### The current process

- Utilization of the bark for
  - providing heat
  - operating steam engines
- Utilization of fossile fuel (gas/oil) for
  - heating rotary kiln for lime processing
  - heating pulp flash dryer





flash dryer



#### The idea is to ...



- provide Bio-SNG from bark via steam gasification
- use Bio-SNG to fuel rotary kiln and / or flash dryer
- improve the CO<sub>2</sub> balance of the plant
- save fuel costs (???)

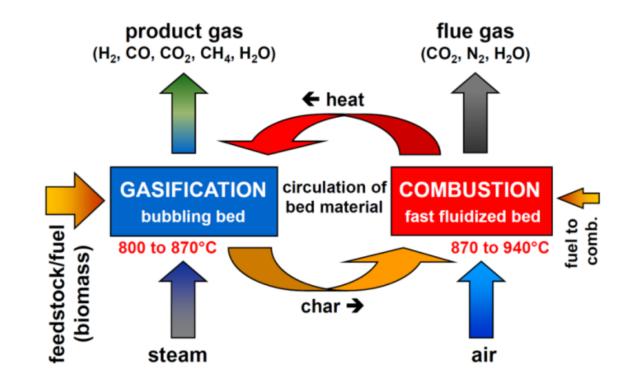
### Why steam and not air gasification?



- + Influence of fuel moisture content to syngas quality
- + Syngas free of nitrogen
  - higher heating value of ~13 MJ/m<sup>3</sup> (compared to ~6 MJ/m<sup>3</sup> with air)
  - less power for fans/compressors needed
- Necessity of steam
- Highly endothermic process



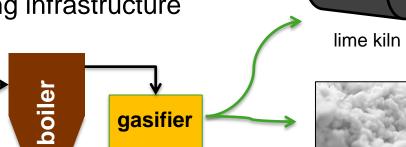
# **Operating principle of a DFB steam gasifier**



#### **Fully integrated system**



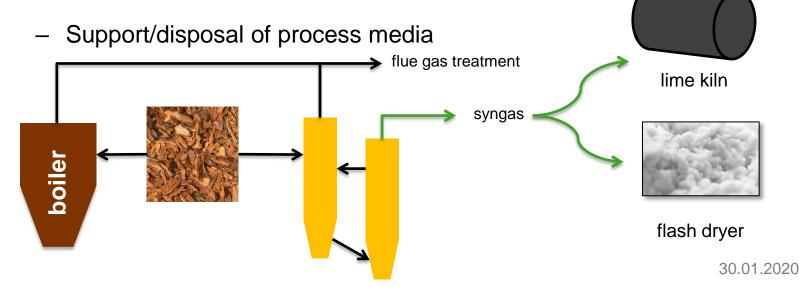
- Add-on gasification reactor
- Using existing boiler as combustion reactor
- Implementation into existing infrastructure



#### **Partially integrated system**



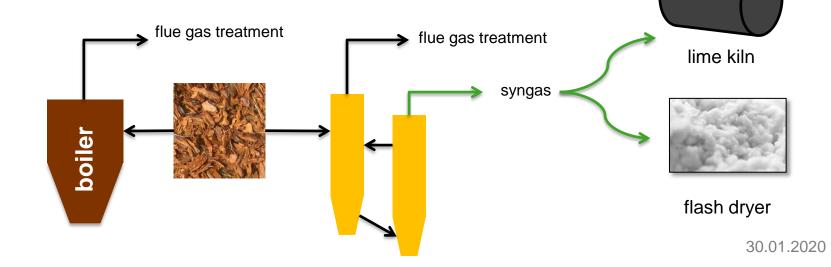
- Stand-alone DFB-gasifier
- Using existing infrastructure



#### **Stand-alone system**



- Stand-alone DFB-gasifier
- Stand-alone support/disposal of process media



# Case study – Size of bark boiler and gasifier

- Annual production capacity of ~260`000 t paper
  - 150 MW bark boiler for energy production
  - ~ 15 MW for the lime kiln
  - (~ 7 MW for the flash dryer)

• Gasifier capacity of ~ 18MW necessary\*

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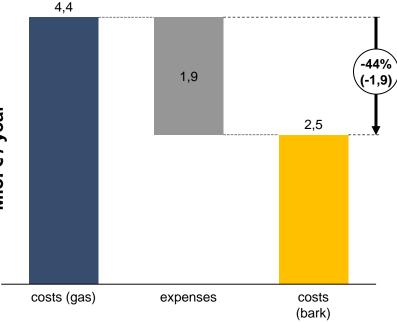
Energy production in MW boiler gasifier bark 18 sizing

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#### **Case study – feasibility**



- Assumptions ٠
  - 500'000 GJ for lime kiln p.a.
- Expenses to be determined •
  - capex
  - opex
  - efficiency loss \_



Mio. € / year



# **Case study – preliminary results**

- Fully integrated system
  - best / economically most feasible model
- Partially integrated system
  - depends significantly with the degree of implementation
- Stand-alone system
  - economically not feasible at the moment



# Thank you for your attention !

**Project partners:** 









