



# **Bio-refinery: Bringing commercial cellulosic ethanol production to the market with sunliquid®**

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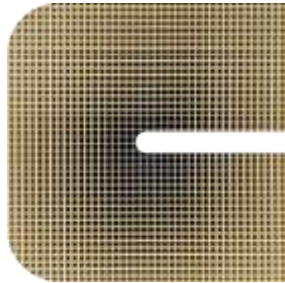
# CLARIANT AT A GLANCE

# Clariant at a glance – a global leader in specialty chemicals serving a broad industry



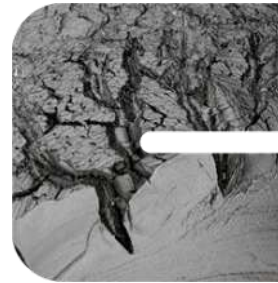
## CARE CHEMICALS

Personal Care  
Industrial Applications  
Home Care  
Crop Solutions  
Food Ingredients  
Encapsulation Technologies



## CATALYSIS

Catalysts  
Biofuels & Derivatives



## NATURAL RESOURCES

Additives  
Oil Services  
Mining Solutions  
Refinery Services  
Functional Minerals

**4 399**

Sales 2019 (CHF m)  
from continuing operations

**15,7%**

EBITDA margin<sup>1</sup> 2019  
after exceptional items  
from continuing operations

**17 223**

Employees 2019  
of total Group including  
discontinued  
operations<sup>2</sup>

**118**

Production sites worldwide  
of total Group including  
discontinued operations<sup>2</sup>

<sup>1</sup> excluding a CHF 231 million provision for an ongoing competition law investigation by the European Commission; <sup>2</sup> As of 31 December 2019, discontinued operations comprised the pigments and masterbatches businesses.

“TOO MUCH CARBON IN THE AIR”

ADVANCED BIOFUELS –  
MARKET CONCERNS ADDRESSED & SOLVED



# Lower emissions from transport urgent for reaching climate goals

## TOO MUCH CARBON IN THE AIR

In 2018, the transport  
sector was responsible for

**24%** and **27%**  
of GHG emissions  
worldwide in the EU<sup>1</sup>

## TRANSPORT DECARBONIZATION SOLUTIONS FOR ACHIEVING CLIMATE AMBITIONS



Vehicle technology  
& efficiency



Energy infrastructure  
efficiency & development



Mode shift in  
transportation



**Advanced biofuels:  
key role in decarbonizing  
transport sector**

<sup>1</sup> Source: International Energy Agency: <https://www.iea.org/reports/tracking-transport-2019> and European Environment Agency: <https://www.eea.europa.eu/data-and-maps/indicators/transport-emissions-of-greenhouse-gases/transport-emissions-of-greenhouse-gases-12>



# Lignocellulosic ethanol: the ideal candidate for immediate improvement

Made from agricultural residues such as straw, non-food lignocellulosic materials & waste



**Carbon negative: among the highest total life cycle reductions in GHG emissions<sup>1</sup>**  
Considering CO<sub>2</sub> capture or utilization



**Fully validated technology**  
Commercially deployed product immediately lowers emissions



**Unrivalled in use**  
Provides superior energy density in virtually all modes of transport



**Low carbon abatement costs**  
Drop-in solution for existing engines and infrastructure



**Enhanced energy security**  
Domestic production boosts energy independence & long-term security



**Local sources & green jobs**  
Use of locally sourced feedstock & new revenue stream for farmers

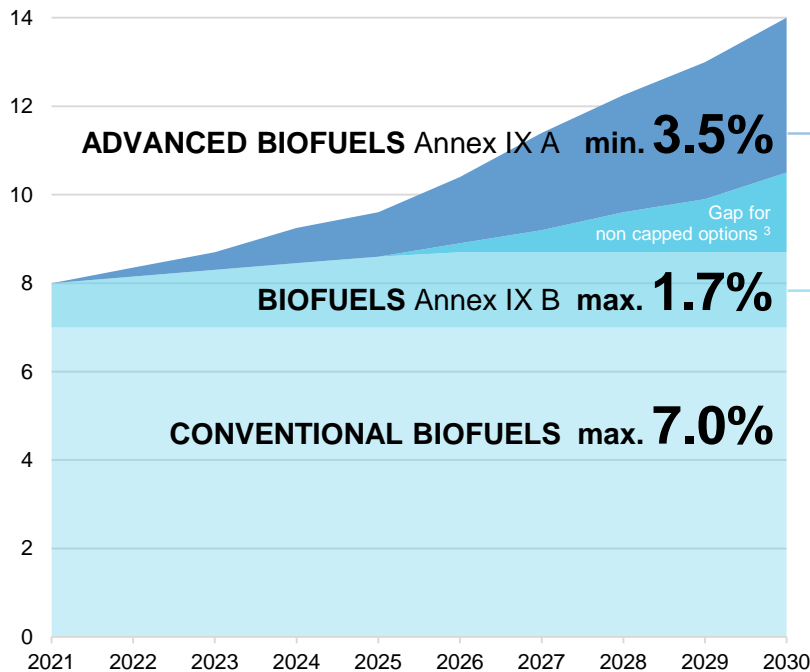


<sup>1</sup> EtOH produced with sunliquid reaches > 120% GHG saving, % compared to gasoline including CCU/S (Carbon Capture Utilization & sequestration)

<sup>2</sup> <https://www.biofuelsdigest.com/bdigest/2018/11/06/results-are-in-clariants-sunliquid-delivers-6x-lower-carbon-intensity-than-fossil-gasoline/> without CO<sub>2</sub> CCU/S

# EU market for advanced biofuel under RED II: the supportive path to decarbonize mobility

## PROJECTED DEVELOPMENT OF (THEORETICAL) SHARE OF RENEWABLE ENERGY SOURCES IN TRANSPORT up to 2030 based on RED II provisions



## RED II – ANNEX IX

### PART A: »advanced« feedstocks and fuels

**Targets:** 2022: at least 0.2%, 2025: 1%, 2030: 3.5%

Defined feedstocks (excerpt):

- Straw
- Bagasse
- Nut shells
- Cobs cleaned of kernels of corn
- Other non-food cellulosic material
- Other lignocellulosic material

### PART B: not considered as »advanced«

**Target:** capped to 1.7%

- Used cooking oil (UCO)
- Animal fats categories 1 and 2



3.5%

~ 200 plants



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targeted share for advanced  
biofuels of the EU's transport  
fuel demand<sup>1</sup> by 2030

of 50kta cellulosic  
ethanol  
each<sup>2</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Source: <http://www.etipbioenergy.eu/everyone/advanced-boifuels>

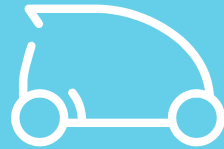
<sup>2</sup> Assumption: 50kta sunliquid standard capacity; EU transport fuel demand in 2030 remains at similar levels as in 2016 - Total transport fuel demand (road & rail) in 2016: 306.567 ktoe; Source: Eurostat

<sup>3</sup> Additional advanced fuels from Annex IXA, renewable electricity (used for transport), any other NON capped options (e.g. H2 if not produced neither with FOOD feedstock nor ANNEX IXB feedstock)

# RED II: only Annex IX/A defines advanced feedstocks and fuels



## PRODUCT CATEGORY



Benzine (cars)



Diesel (cars, trucks)



Kerosene (aviation)



Bunker fuel (e.g. ship)

## FEEDSTOCK/ CONVERSION TECHNOLOGY

**Annex IX A**  
(waste based, advanced  
technology)

Cellulosic ethanol

Advanced diesel from cellulosic fatty  
acids, cellulosic sugars to diesel  
(Clariant, Exxon, Genomatica  
collaboration)  
ED95

Hydrogenated oils from cellulosic  
feedstock, Alcohol-to-Jet from  
cellulosic feedstock,  
Fischer-Tropsch route from cellulosic  
feedstock, cellulosic sugars to diesel

Advanced diesel from cellulosic fatty  
acids, cellulosic sugars to diesel,  
cellulosic ethanol and lignin

**Annex IX B**  
(waste based, mature  
technology)

Cellulosic ethanol

Biodiesel (Fatty acid Methyl Esters  
=FAME) from used cooking oil,  
animal fats

HVO from used cooking oil,  
animal fats

FAME and hydrogenated oils from  
used cooking oil, animal fats

**Conventional biofuel (1G)**

Ethanol from crop-based starch/sugar

FAME from rapeseed, palm,  
Hydrogenated vegetable oils (HVO)  
from conventional feedstock

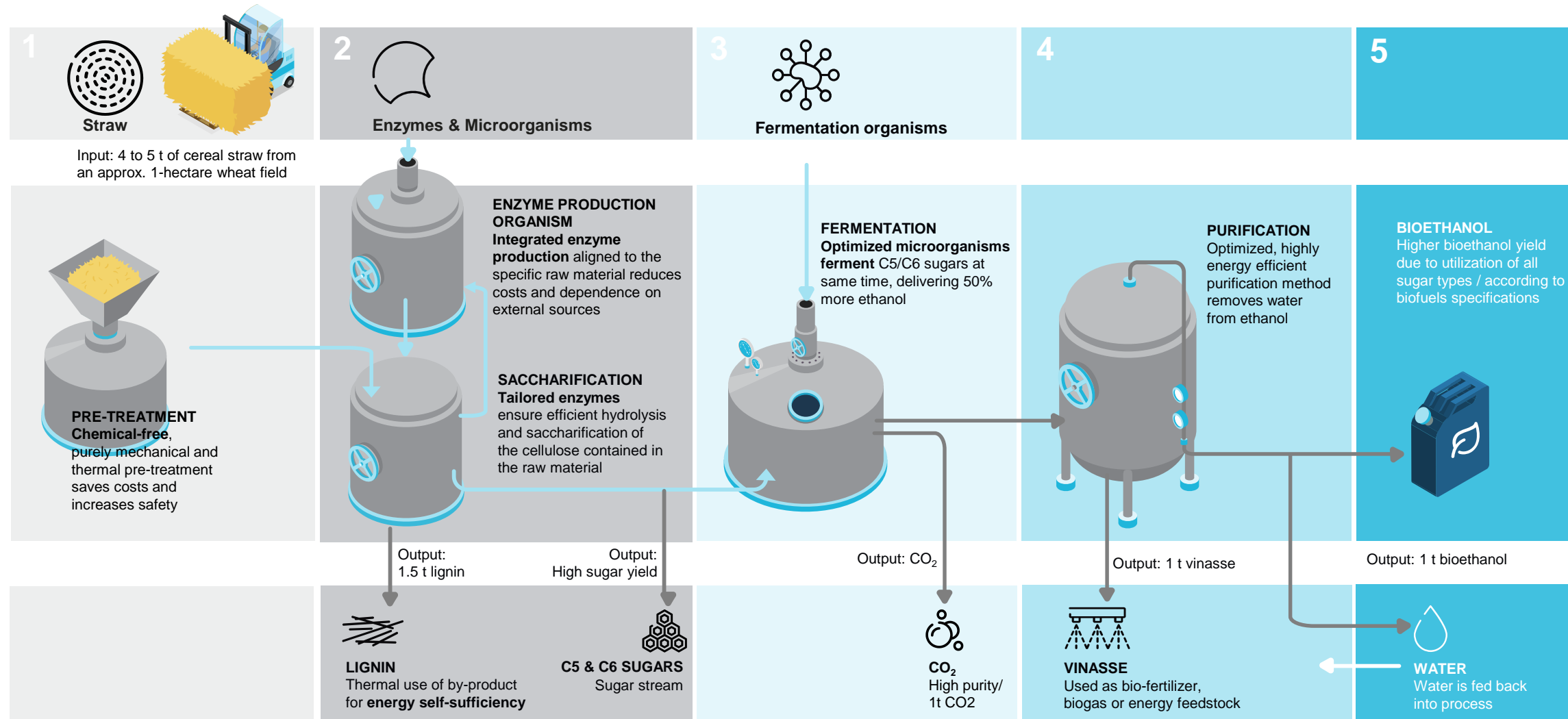
HVO, Alcohol to Jet from  
crop-based starch/ sugar

Straight vegetable oils  
(no processing), FAME, HVO

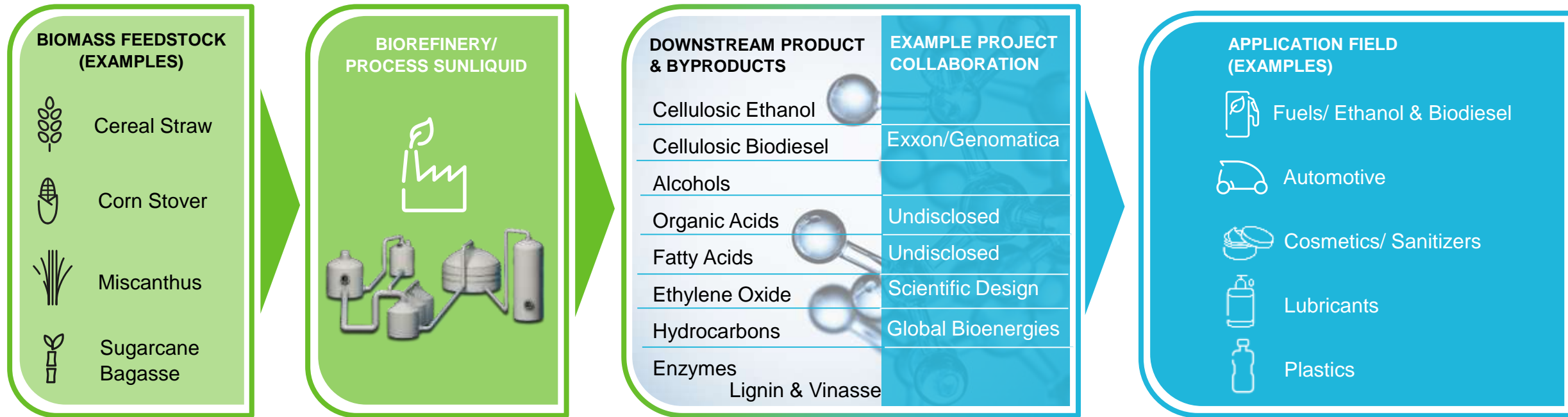


# SUNLIQUID®: CLARIANT'S SOLUTION TO DECARBONISE MOBILITY

# sunliquid<sup>®</sup>: fully integrated process



# BUT that is not all: sunliquid®- the ideal platform for highly sustainable bio-based products



## sunliquid®

- **Standalone, flexible sugar platform**
- **Development opportunities** for biobased products
- **Extensive know-how** in biocatalysis, strain optimization and heterogenous catalysis
- **Specifications** can be **adjusted to the need** of the added **downstream processing**

# SUNLIQUID® PRE-COMMERCIAL PLANT



# Fully integrated process in operation at pre-commercial plant: reliable, stable & continued for >8 years acting as training facility

## PRE-COMMERICAL SUNLIQUID® PLANT IN STRAUBING, GERMANY



**Fully validated technology:** >8 years of testing (1,000 t/a EtOH; ~4,500 t/a feedstock) with scaled-down commercial design reproducing all process steps



**Validated pre-treatment:** >8 years of operation with standard equipment from leading provider Valmet



**Feedstock flexibility:** multiple feedstocks tested, identical process with feedstock-specific enzymes & yeast

- Straw
- Miscanthus
- Rice straw/husks
- Corn stover
- Bagasse
- Sugarcane tops & leaves



**Your team on site:** testing of own feedstock with own team on site; training on plant operation, maintenance, start-up and shut-down



# COMMERCIAL READINESS: SUNLIQUID® PLANT IN ROMANIA



# Commercial-scale flagship plant in Romania

## COMMERICAL SUNLIQUID® OPERATIONS IN PODARI, ROMANIA

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**Investment:** Clariant invests in own greenfield 2G flagship plant in SW Romania (> 100 million euros)



**Capacity:** 50,000 t/a EtOH; ~250,000 t/a feedstock (e.g. wheat & barley straw)



**Job creation:** approx. 1.200 (~100 inside plant/~300 outside plant/~800 construction of plant)



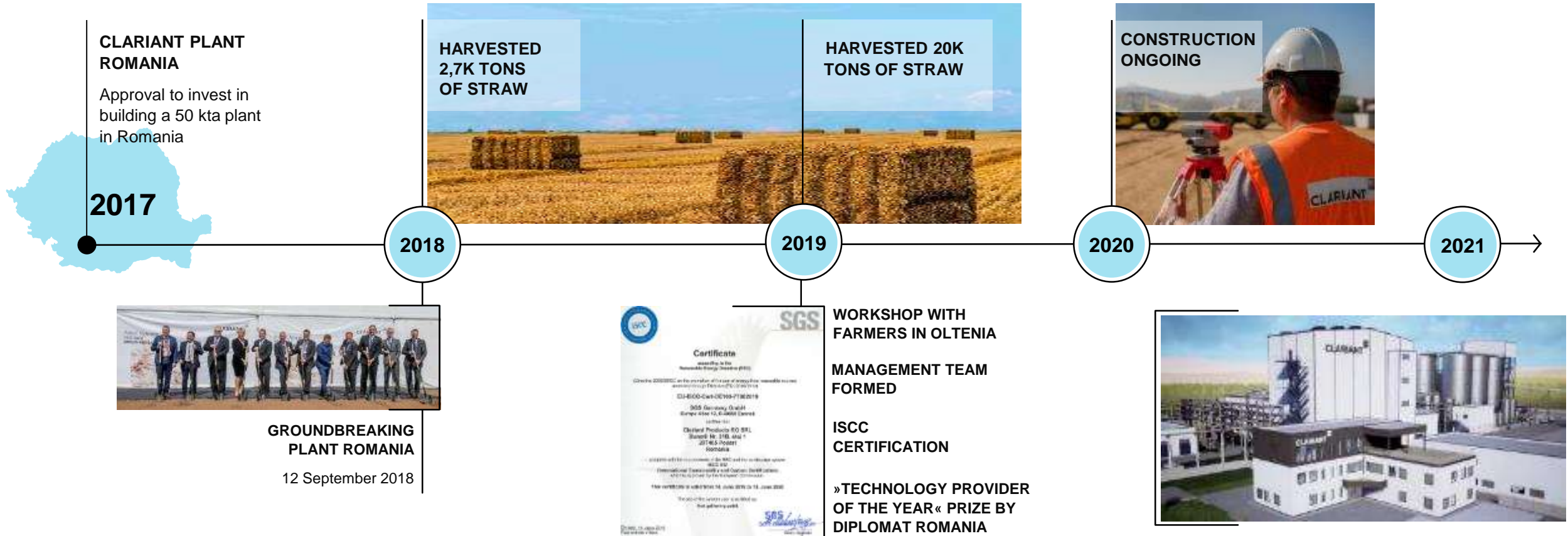
**Economic growth:** additional business opportunities for all actors along the value chain (e.g. provides farmers additional source of income)



**Training facility:** plant serves as training facility for own & client staff



# sunliquid<sup>®</sup> flagship plant en route to commercialization



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# How our dedicated feedstock team supports you



## FEEDSTOCK SUPPLY & LOGISTICS SERVICES



GRAIN  
HARVEST



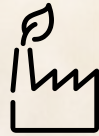
BALING



TRANSPORT



INTERMEDIATE  
STORAGE



FACTORY  
STORAGE



PROCESSING

- Feedstock availability assessment
- Supply chain contract systems
- End-to-end supply chain assessment (from field to plant)



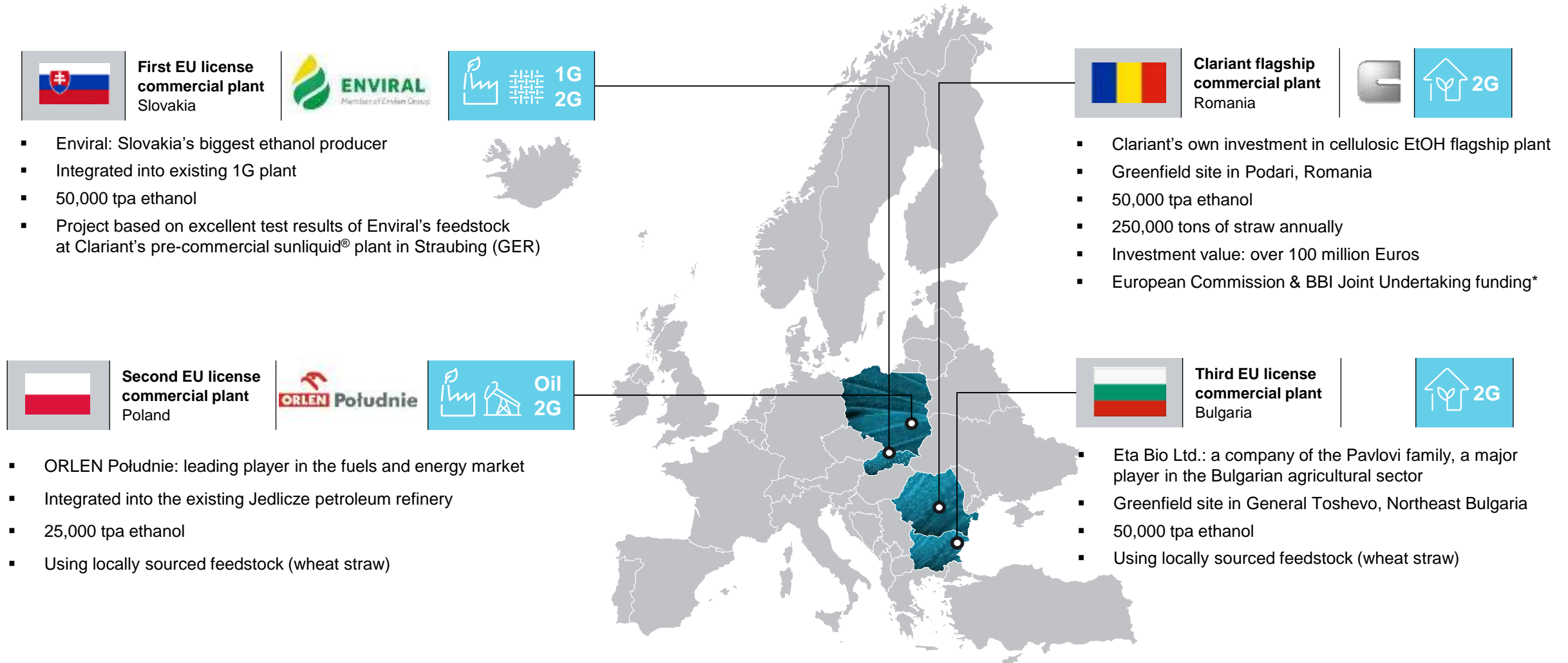
# FROM STRAW TO BIOFUEL



# SUNLIQUID® REFERENCES & SUPPORT



# Already 3 licenses sold in EU and own flagship in Romania



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# Commercial sunliquid<sup>®</sup> plant in China



License  
commercial plant  
China



- Agreement signed for third sunliquid<sup>®</sup> cellulosic EtOH license/first license deal for sunliquid<sup>®</sup> in China
- Joint venture (JV) will be formed by Anhui Guozhen Group & Chemtex Chemical Engineering with the intention of realizing full-scale commercial plant
- 2G plant will be built at a greenfield site in Fuyang city, Anhui province in East China
- Planned annual plant capacity: 50,000 tons with an option to double capacity in a 2<sup>nd</sup> phase
- Using locally sourced feedstock such as wheat straw and corn stover



# Tailored support for entire value chain from idea to operation



## ASSESSMENT

- Project assessment
- Partner support
- Market support



## DEVELOPMENT

- Conceptual engineering
- Feedstock, by-products & ethanol testing at pre-commercial plant
- Feedstock value chain workshop
- Site selection consultancy



## CONTRACT EXECUTION

- Basic engineering package
- License agreement
- Starter culture agreement



## PROJECT EXECUTION

- Licensor support for detailed engineering
- Vendor support services
- Site support services
- Classroom training (lab, pre-commercial, commercial)
- Practical training at sunliquid® plant
- Commissioning & start-up support services



## OPERATION

- Technology support services
- sunliquid® starter cultures continuous improvement program
- Strong global presence and support



# SUMMARY & OUTLOOK



# On our way to decarbonizing global mobility

## Key conclusions:

- **Paris agreement** & global climate efforts will fail without **significant increase** of **sustainable energy solutions**
- **Variety of solutions** needed to **decarbonize transport sector** & achieve ambitious climate goals
- **Advanced biofuels** are a **key solution** & have **countless benefits** to make an **immediate impact**
- **Current market conditions** are favorable for **driving demand for advanced biofuels** even further



**Legislation:** global support mechanisms & mandates are current key drivers for strong growth



**Feedstock:** proven global abundance of agricultural residues → sunliquid® established clear, executable value chain from field to plant in Romania and can support you in replicating it



**Technology:** sunliquid® proven solution with >8 years of reliable, stable & continued pre-commercial operations, own commercial plant underway & 4 licenses sold



**Business opportunity:** low carbon abatement costs for advanced biofuels (no investments into infrastructure or engine adaption) → sunliquid®: sustainable high-margin investment with attractive OPEX & CAPEX



»We are looking forward  
to partner with you to  
drive lignocellulosic  
ethanol forward«

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