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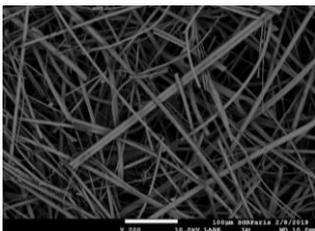
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TECHNICAL CHALLENGES OF RECYCLING IN GLASSWOOL PRODUCTION



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A FEW WORDS ABOUT OUR PRODUCTS



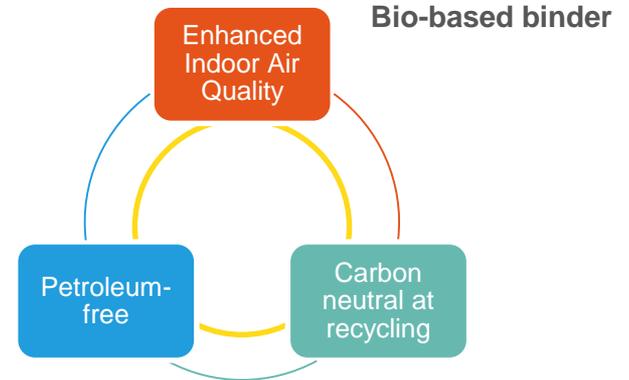
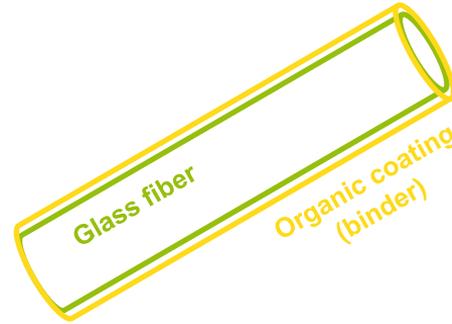
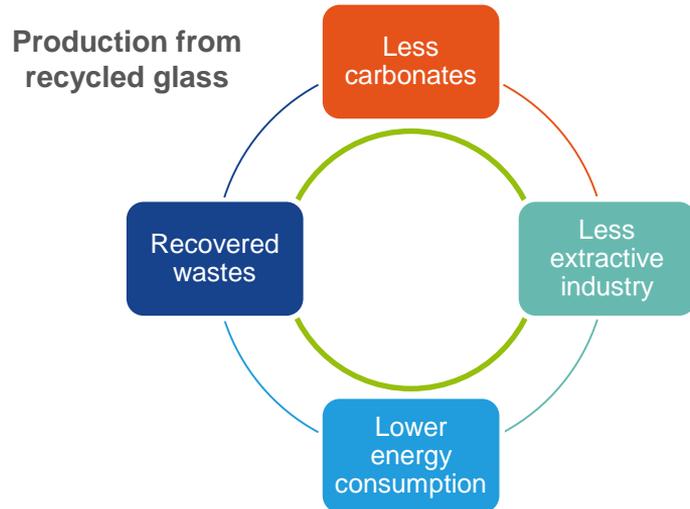
ADEME promotion for housing insulation (France Relance)



A typical ISOVER glass wool product has amortized the CO₂ emitted in its production, transport & disposal just **3 months** after installation

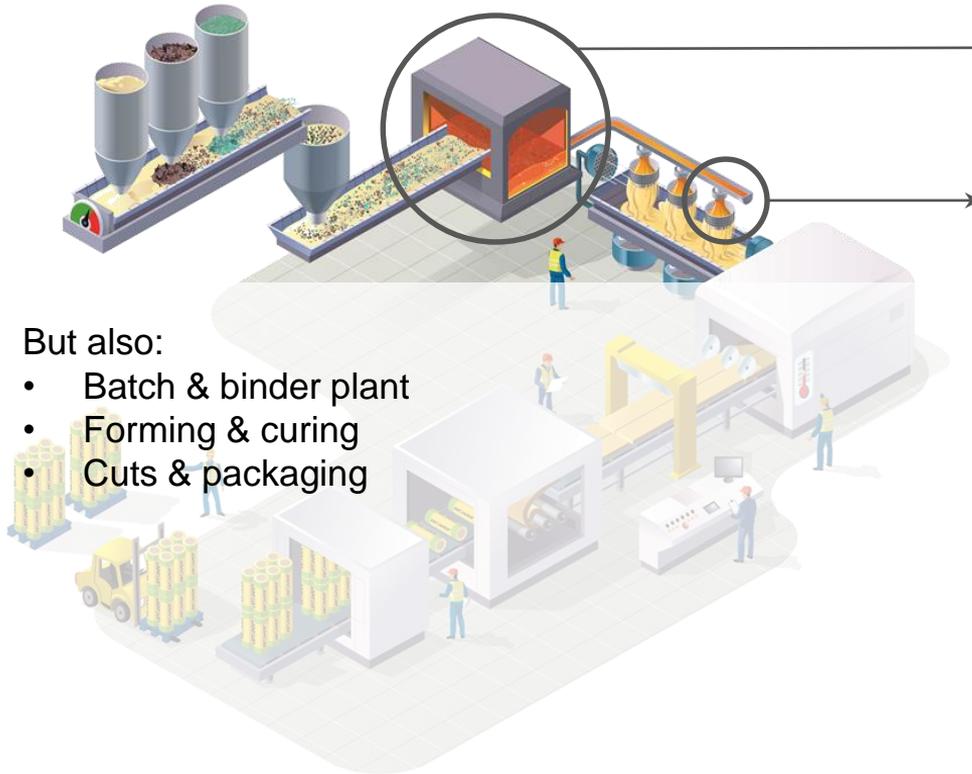
RESPONSIBLE PRODUCTION

Some ways of our net zero carbon roadmap



(VERY) SHORT PROCESS OVERVIEW

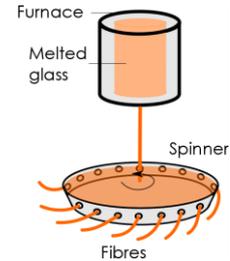
Glass wool production plant



But also:

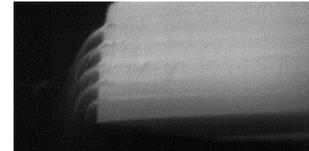
- Batch & binder plant
- Forming & curing
- Cuts & packaging

Electric melting



Fiberizing

Binder addition





RECYCLING GLASS



RECYCLED GLASSES

Cullets (glass granulates)



External cullets
Container (household) & float (glazing, windshield)



Internal cullet
Non-fiberized granulated plant glass

Glasswool



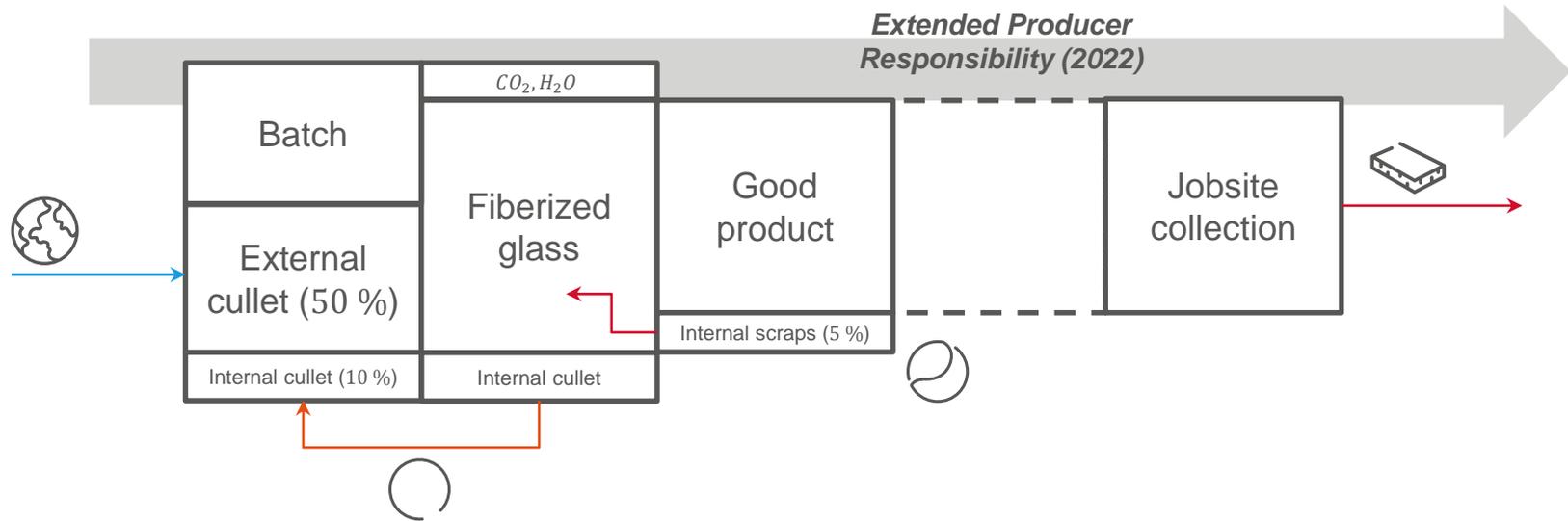
Collection from jobsites
Construction & Deconstruction



Internal scraps
Unsold plant fibers



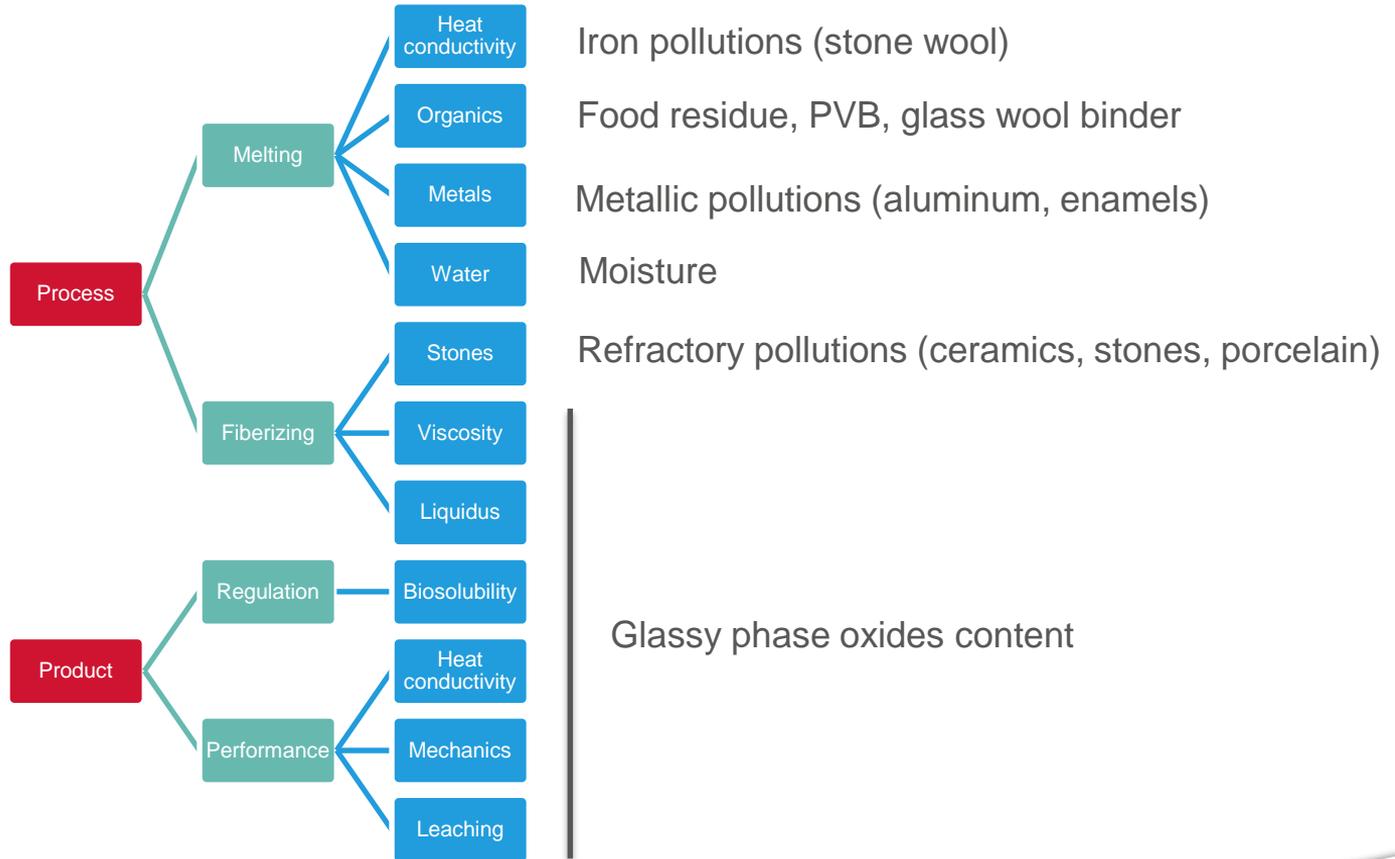
LIFE-CYCLE OVERVIEW





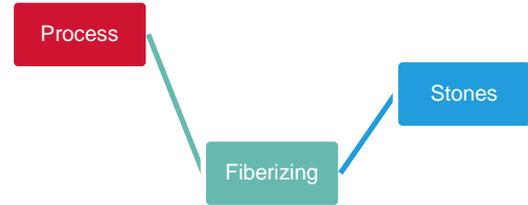
RECYCLING CHALLENGES

IMPACTS



REFRACTORY POLLUTIONS

Ceramics, stones, porcelain



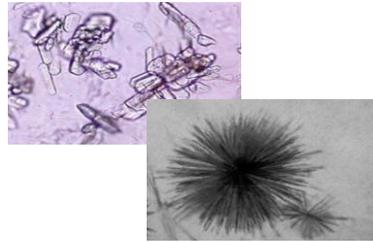
CSP in fiberizing spinner



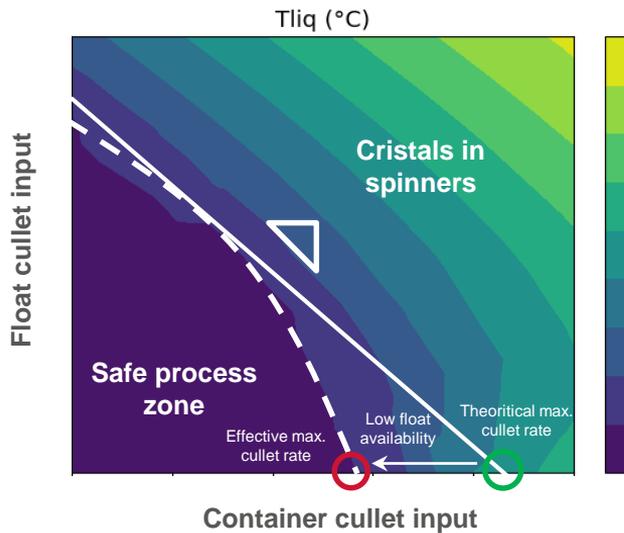
- Visual check before truck unloading
- Adjust cullet content if necessary
- Audit suppliers to ensure procedures and controls are met
- Be careful with pullrate changes

GLASSY PHASE OXIDES CONTENT

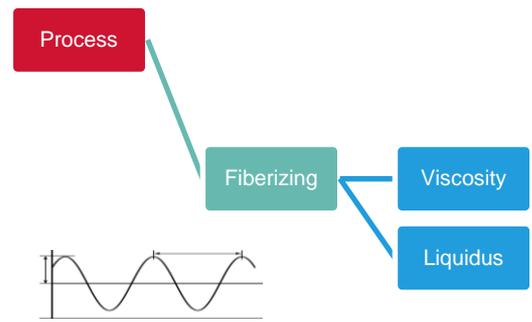
Limiting oxides



The liquidus limit (RO)

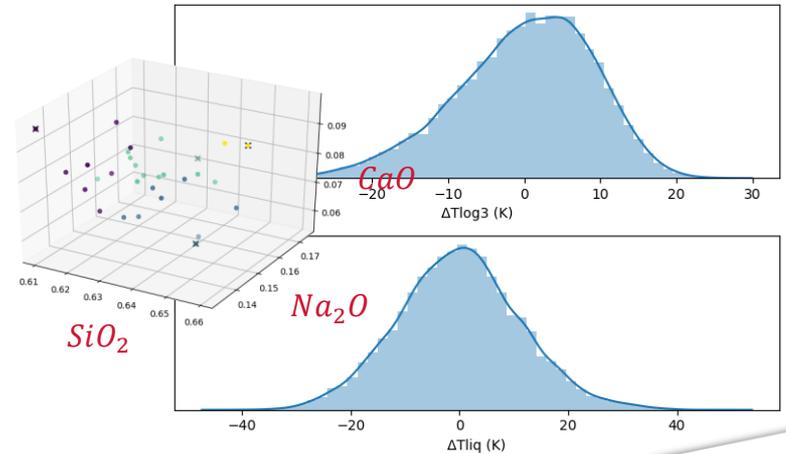


Variability



High frequency variability that cannot be corrected with complementary batch recipe

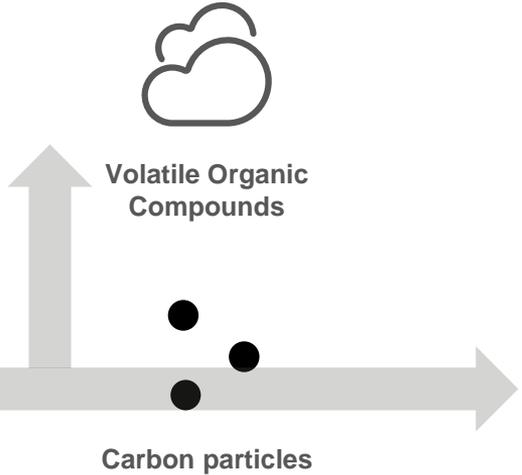
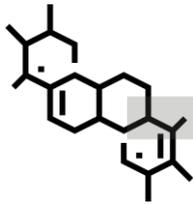
Glasswool collected from jobsites



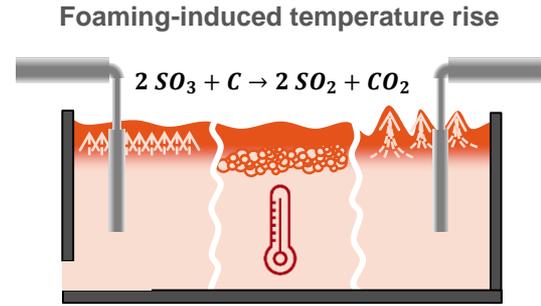
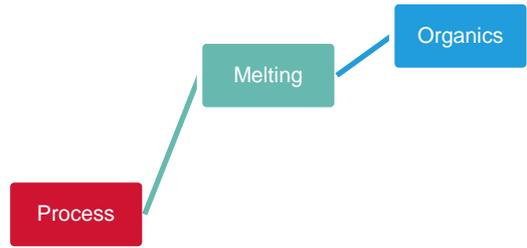
ORGANICS

Furnace lifetime, energy consumption, VOC

Food residue & PVB in external cullets	~ 0.1 % _w
Binder in glass wool	~ 7 % _w



- Oxidizing atmosphere
- Control cullet organics
- Limit SO₃ input
- Enhance competing reactions with solid oxidizers

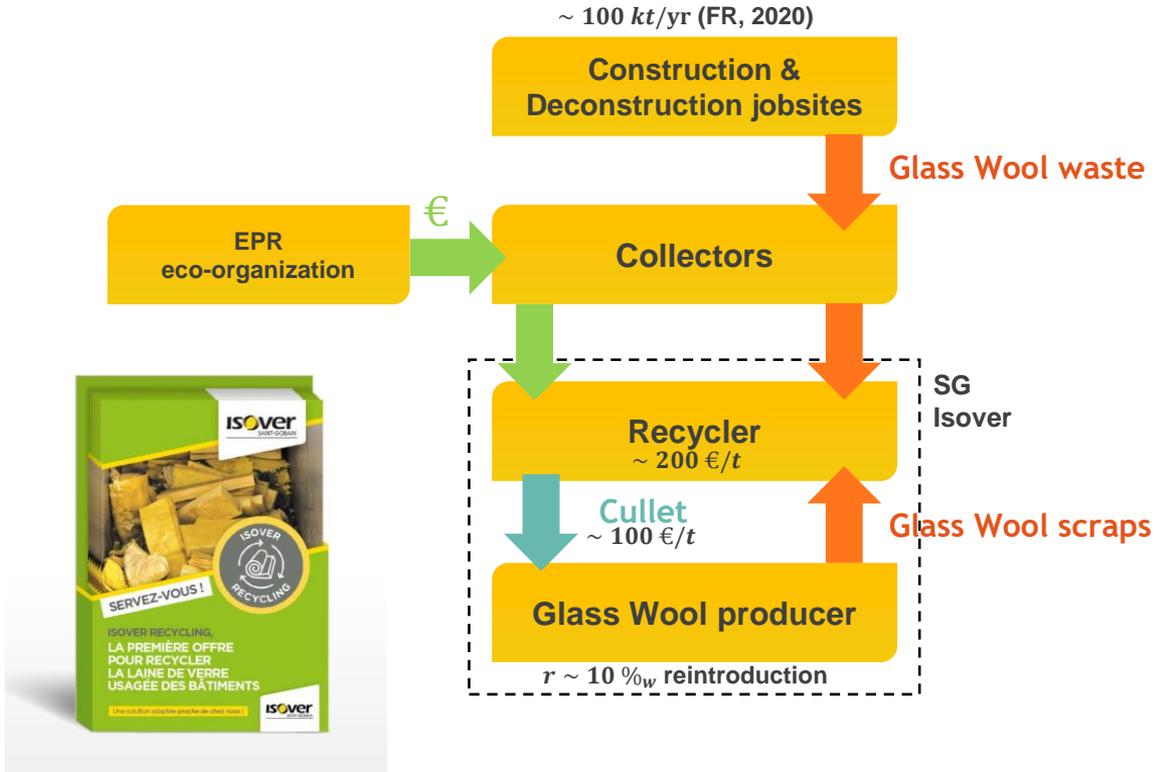




GLASS WOOL RECYCLING

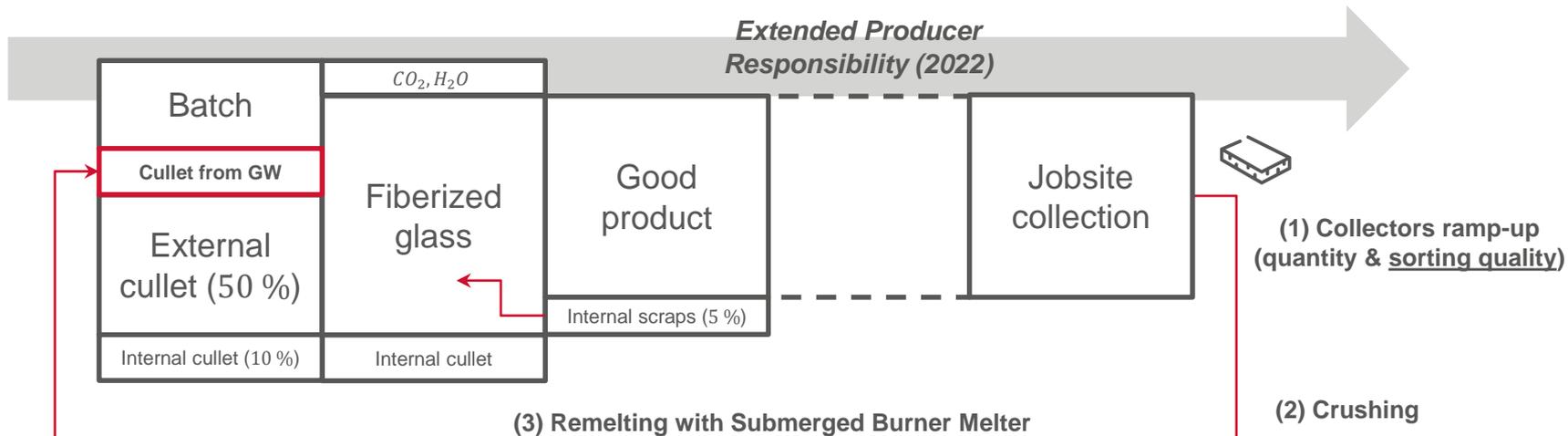
ISOVER RECYCLING

Value chain overview

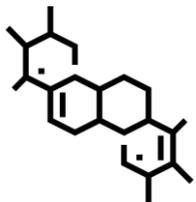


Sorting tests by collectors

FROM WASTES TO CULLET

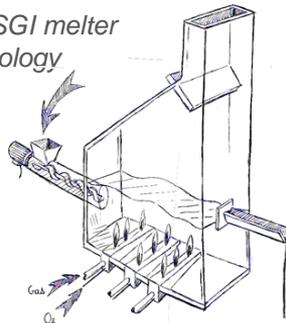


Binder burning releases 50 % of total needed energy



Submerged burner for heating & pollutions digestion

Patented SGI melter technology





EUROPEAN COMMISSION

LIFE Public Database

European Commission > CINEA > LIFE Programme > LIFE Public Database



I-LOOP LIFE on LIFE Public Database



ADMINISTRATIVE DATA

- ★ Reference: LIFE18 ENV/FR/000046
- ★ Acronym: I-LOOP LIFE
- 🕒 Start Date: 01/10/2019
- 🕒 End Date: 01/07/2026
- € Total Budget: 12,772,419 €
- 📄 EU Contribution: 4,156,408 €
- 📍 Project Location:

Insulation Glass wool circular ecOnOmy aPproach

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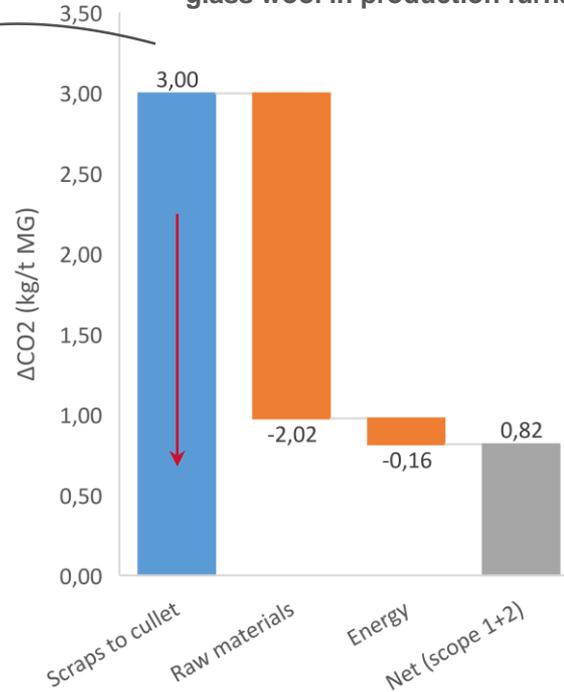


THE STRUGGLE TOWARDS 0 CO₂

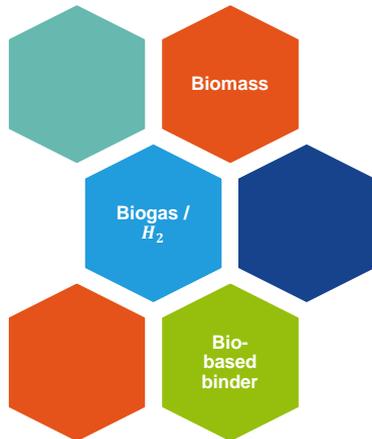
Scope 1+2 budget



CO₂ balance for 1 %_w recycled glass wool in production furnace



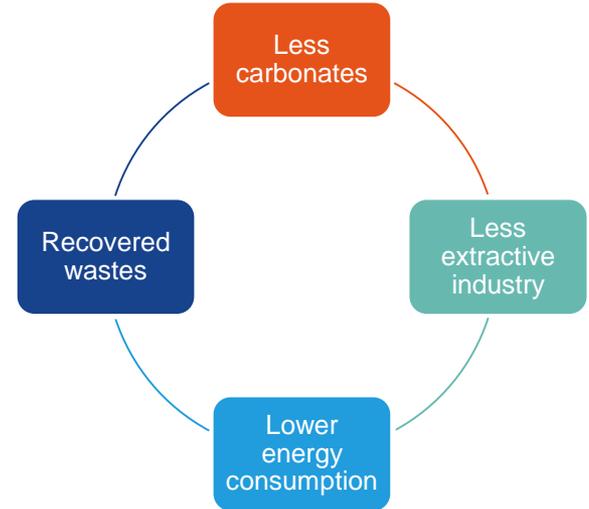
The 3 "bio"



CONCLUSIONS

Glass recycling in glass wool production

- A major technical challenge influencing the way we produce
- Well established for container and float glass sources
- On track for post-consumer glass wool
- Strong technical efforts needed for decarbonization





THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION