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Preface

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- Will Duran (1885-1981), American historian-

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Abbreviations

AMS	Approved Methodology for Small Scale CDM Project
BHP	Biogas-household Program
CDM	Clean Development Mechanism
CER	Certified Emission Reduction
CH ₄	Methane
CO ₂ e	CO ₂ equivalent
EB	Executive Board
GDP	Gross Domestic Product
GHG	Greenhouse Gas
GWP	Global Warming Potential
IEA	International Energy Agency
IPCC	Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change
JI	Joint Implementation
LPG	Liquid Petroleum Gas
M.A.	Minister of Agriculture of China
NCV	Net Calorie Value
NDRC	National Development and Reform Commission
NGO	Non-governmental Organization
OECD	Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development
PPP	Public-Private Partnership
P.R.C.	People's Republic of China
pCDM	Programmatic CDM
WHO	World Health Organization
UN	United Nations
UNFCCC	United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change
UNESA	United Nations, Department of Economic and Social Affairs

Glossary

Baseline Emission	基准排放量
Biogas-household Program	新农村沼气工程
Biomass Stove	生物质炉
CDM	清洁发展机制
Climate Change	气候变化
Cun	村
Datong Municipality	大同市
Datong Xian	大同县
GHG Emission Reduction	温室气体减排量
Governance	政府管理
Greenhouse Effect	温室效应
Greenhouse Gas	温室气体
Individual Biogas Digester	户用沼气池
Kyoto Protocol	京都议定书
Large-scale Biogas Plant	大型沼气项目
National Development and Reform Commission	国家发展与改革委员会
National action plan against Climate Change of China	中国应对气候变化国家方案
New Rural in China	新农村建设
Policies and Actions for Addressing Climate Change	中国应对气候变化的政策与行动
Project Emission	项目排放量
Shanxi Province	山西省
Service Station	技术服务站
Xian	县
Xiang	乡

Abstract

Since 2001, the Ministry of Agriculture of China is implementing the national Biogas-household Program (BHP), with the aim to save energy, protect the environment and improve the life quality of farmers. In the first period (2001-2005), the Central Government invested approximately EUR 353,27 mil¹, benefiting 3,57 mil households and 120 biogas plants on large or medium livestock farms. In the second phase (2006-2010), the program is implemented on a wider scale and with national budget of EUR 13,17 billion. The target for 2010 is that there will be 4.700 large-scale biogas installations, attached to almost 40% of China's large livestock farms. Additional to that, there will be 41,18 mil individual bio-digesters, operated by 17,5% of the rural families in China.

The program is expected to have a great positive influence on the reduction of greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions. At the same time, it creates huge ecological and economic benefits which have already been studied in detail. However the GHG emission reduction effect of the program has not yet been estimated and evaluated systematically. This thesis aims determine this positive effect, taking Datong Municipality as a case study.

In accordance with methodologies approved by United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) for different GHG emissions sources and data collected by the author, GHG emission reduction by the BHP in Datong Municipality was determined to be approximately 270,000 tCO₂ equivalent in 2007. The emission reduction consists of three categories: large scale biogas projects, improved-efficiency biomass stoves and individual biogas digesters. The amount of the GHG reduction in 2010 is expected to be 1,041 mil tCO₂e. It equals the GHG emission of 2 fossil fuel power stations working one year with each capacity of 60 MW. It also equals the GHG emission by the combustion of 0,525 mil tones of brown coal briquettes. It is also equivalent to the annual carbon-sink capacity of 236 km² of eucalyptus plantation.

Notable is that the decentralized GHG emission control measures could make a great positive influence on the environment in rural area.

¹ Exchange Rate: 10 Renminbi = 1 EURO in 2007

In this thesis, governance is defined as the policy-making and public management performed by governments in China. As a completely publicly initiated program, governments on the various administrative levels play a crucial role in its implementation. More than half of total costs of these biogas digesters and other clean end-use technologies are financed by public subsidies. Also the technical support and services are mainly provided by government institutions. Thus learning about the attitude of biogas users towards the governance of public institutions is a major aim of this study. Altogether 69 households in the rural district of Datong Xian were interviewed. Correlation analysis reveals that the biogas production capacity of biogas digesters is the main factor to decide satisfaction degree. The findings of the survey highlight that, with a public subsidy covering 50% of the total cost of individual biogas digester, governance would be the most cost-efficient. Local government could use the funds saved from this decrease of subsidies for the improvement of the technical and extension service system of the BHP. Besides, an improved and extended private-public partnership is suggested to be introduced into the governance structure, including the involvement of college students, environmental NGOs and self-help team among the farmers. Finally, we call for more endeavours on the cognitive enhancement about the climate change.

Low-carbon society needs a long process to build, but if we do not start now, it would never come.

Key Words: Biogas-household Program (BHP), Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Emission Reduction, Biogas, Governance, Cost-efficiency, Rural Development of China, Datong, Datong Xian

1 Introduction

This chapter will provide some background information about the global climate change, GHG emissions as well as the biogas produce.

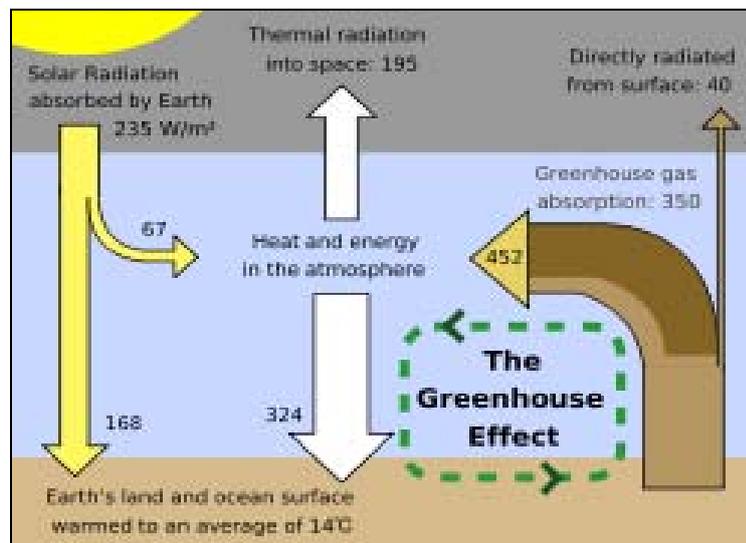
1.1 The Greenhouse Effect and Global Climate Change

As the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) published the report “Climate Change 2007” (IPCC 2007) the “greenhouse effect” and the “global climate change” became two of the most popular key words in the world. What is the greenhouse effect and what is meant by climate change? How do they happen?

The greenhouse effect was discovered by Joseph Fourier in 1824 and first investigated quantitatively by Svante Arrhenius in 1896 (Held and Soden, 2000, p441). The natural greenhouse effect means the short-wave energy from the sun is absorbed at the earth’s surface and reradiated in the form of infrared (long-wave) radiation. The greenhouse gas (some of low concentrate gases in atmospheric notably CO₂, CH₄, N_xO, CO, etc.) absorb and emit long-wave radiation. The increase

in the atmospheric concentration of GHG leads to an incremental absorption and emission of long-wave radiation (see chart 1). All of them would result in a warming of the lower atmosphere and the surface of earth. This effect is referred as “greenhouse effect”. Human beings and most other living

Chart 1 Heat flow on the world surface



Source: Rohde, 2003

creatures can not survive without Natural greenhouse effect. The greenhouse effect keeps the temperature of biosphere stable and filters some harmful radiations and hence protects the ecological system.

Due to anthropological influence the greenhouse effect has been enhanced leading to exacerbated climate change. Some of the effects of climate change are clear, others still uncertain. The climate change includes temperature change in global scale, sea level rise, precipitation change and the increase of extreme weather events (IPCC, 2008, p30).

Eleven of the twelve years (1995-2006) rank among the twelve warmest years in the instrumental record keeping of the global surface temperature (since 1850). The 100-year (1906-2005) linear trend of 0.74 °C (varying from 0.56 to 0.92°C) is larger than the corresponding trend of 0.6 °C (from 0.4 to 0.8]°C (1901-2000). The linear warming trend for the 50 years (1956-2005) of 0.13 [0.10 to 0.16]°C per decade is nearly twice that for the 100 years from 1906 to 2005. The temperature increase presented here is an average for the globe and it is greater at higher northern latitudes. Average Arctic temperatures have increased at almost twice the global average rate in the past 100 years. Land regions have warmed faster than the oceans. (IPCC 2008, p30).

Global average sea level rose at an average rate of 1.8 mm (from 1.3 to 2.3 mm) per year over the period from 1961 to 2003 and at an average rate of about 3.1 mm per year (from 2.4 to 3.8 mm per year) from 1993 to 2003. Since 1993 thermal expansion of the oceans has contributed about 57% of the sum of the estimated individual contributions to the sea level rise, with decreases in glaciers and ice caps contributing about 28% and losses from the polar ice sheets contributing the remainder. (IPCC, 2008, p30).

Over the last century, also the precipitation trend has changed significantly in North America and Russia (Groisman and Easterling, 1994, p109-113), the Asia and Africa (Petit-Maire, 1994, p3-15) as well as Central Europe (Lapin, 1994, p162-170). These areas are being attacked by drought, flooding, water crisis that are caused by the change of precipitation in the global scale. Some extreme weather events have changed in frequency and/or intensity over the last 50 years. Since 1970, the tropical cyclones have increased obviously in intensity. Furthermore heat waves have affected human beings around the world. El-Nino effect and Tidal Wave have become also more common and in larger scale (IPCC 2008, p30).

China is suffering as heavily as other countries from the global climate change. From 1908 to 2007, the average surface temperature has increased 1.1 °C. The year 2007 was the warmest year in the instrumental record keeping in China (since 1951). In the last 30 years, the sea level of China's offing rose 90 mm. Furthermore the precipitation has changed significantly in China. Flooding takes place more

frequently in south of China, but the middle part of China is always suffered by the heat wave and drought. (NDRC, 2008, p2).

1.2 Greenhouse Gases Emission

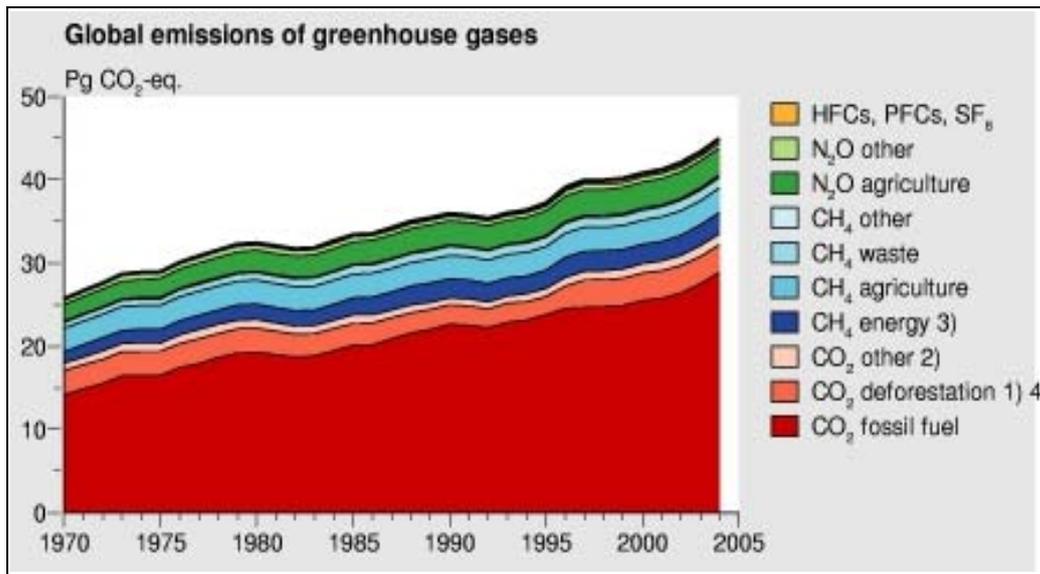
The driver of greenhouse effect and global climate change mainly is the GHG emission. Groups of scientists (IPCC as the leader) are working on the calculation of GHG emission to show us how the GHG discharge is getting stronger and stronger, and what the change is year by year. The sources of GHG are both natural and human related. Since the industrialization, human activities emitted more and more GHG with an increase of 70% between 1970 and 2004 (IPCC, 2008, p36) and an increase of 25% between 1990 and 2004 (Netherlands Environmental Assessment Agency, 2006), all of which destroy the pervious carbon balance heavily (see Chart 2).

The amounts of emission between different kinds of GHG and their sources are obviously different. Carbon dioxide (CO₂) is responsible for about 60% of the greenhouse effect to the increased atmospheric concentrations of GHG, when considered over 100 years of emission. (International Energy Agency, 1991, p15). The annual emission has grown between 1970 and 2004 by about 80% from 21 to 38 GT, and represented 77% of total anthropogenic GHG emissions in 2004 (IPCC, 2008, p36).

Methane (CH₄)'s concentration in the atmosphere has been growing at 1% per year during recent years. Methane could absorb infrared radiation much more strongly (20-30 times) than CO₂. The global atmospheric concentration of CH₄ has increased from a pre-industrial value of about 715ppb to 1732ppb in the early 1990s, and was 1774ppb in 2005. (IEA, 1991, p17).

The other pollutants, NO_x and CO, do not directly influent greenhouse effect, but act indirectly by affecting the concentrations of other greenhouse gases in the atmosphere (International Energy Agency, 1991, p18-20).

Chart 2 Global emissions of GHG



Source: Netherlands Environmental Assessment Agency, 2006

1.3 Current Situation of the GHG Emissions in China

In 2007, China contributed two thirds of the global greenhouse gases emission increase. Resulting from its strong economic growth, China is consuming a growing amount of coal, nature gas and oil. CO₂ emissions from fossil fuel combustion in China increased by 7.6% in 2007, USA by 1.8% and EU-15 by 1.9%, compared to 2006. China topped the list of CO₂ emitting countries in 2007, having about a quarter share in global CO₂ emissions (24%), followed by the USA (21%), the EU-15 (12%), India (8%) and the Russian Federation (6%). (Netherlands Environmental Assessment Agency, 2008).

Considering that population size and levels of economic development differ considerably between countries, the emissions expressed per person show a largely different ranking. CO₂ emissions per person from the USA, Russia, EU-15, China and India are presently about 19.4, 11.8, 8.6, 5.1 and 1.8 metric ton CO₂, respectively in 2007(Netherlands Environmental Assessment Agency, 2008).

One of the reasons for the rapid increase of China's greenhouse gases emissions results from its role as "the world's factory". In 2006, the amount of the embodied greenhouse gases emission from China's export was around 1,846 mil tCO₂e while the amount from import was around 800 mil tons of CO₂e. In total, the net export exceeded 1,000 mil tCO₂e (WWF China, 2007). The transfer of GHG emissions is described as ""Carbon Ship", what reveals that a large share of China's rising

emissions is due to the dependence of the rest of the world on exports from China (New Economic Foundation, 2007, p10).

Although the per capita GHG emissions are still rather low and a big part of it is used to exports, China does have a huge pressure and responsibility to control her GHG emissions.

In May.30, 2007, “National action plan against climate change(中国应对气候变化国家方案)” was issued by Central government of China. The plan was submitted by National Development and Reform Commission (NDRC), who is China’s highest climate policy-making body. In this plan (NDRC, 2007, p27-29)², overall targets for 2010 are given:

- “Reduction of the GHG emission (via decrease of the energy consumption per GNP by 20% below the level of 2005, increase of the fraction of renewable energy in the total energy consumption to 10%; reuse of 1 mil m³ coalmine methane, and control of N₂O emissions at the level of 2005, etc.)
- Improvement of the ability to response Climate change
- Enhancement of the research and technology referring Climate change
- Enhancement of public awareness and governance about Climate change and environmental protection”

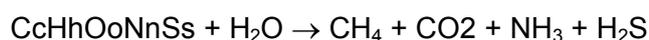
A notable point is that there is not mandatory request to reduce GHG emission.

The latest national guiding document is the white paper of China’s Policies and Actions for Addressing Climate Change(中国应对气候变化的政策与行动), issued by central government in Oct. 29 2008 (NDRC, 2008, p27-29).

1.4 Biogas Production: State of the Art

1.4.1 Biogas Production: Basics

Biogas is a kind of gas produced by the biological breakdown of organic matter in absence of oxygen. Biogas production is the process of anaerobic bacteria transforming manure and other organic material into CH₄, H₂S, NH₃, CO₂, etc. Table 1 indicates the composition of biogas.



(Deublein, Steinhauser, 2008, p13)

The process can be divided into three steps (Chart 3).

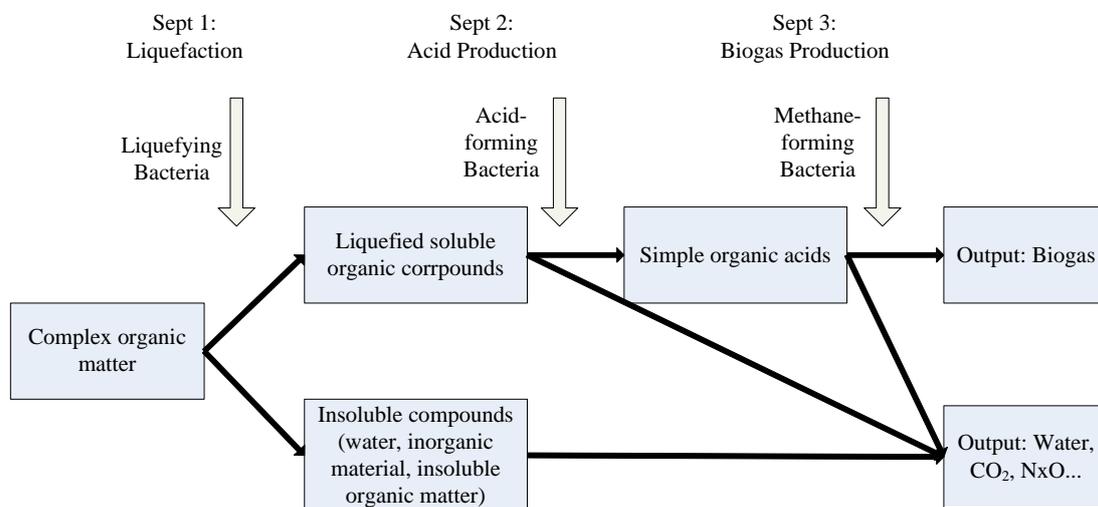
² Only a Chinese version of this document is available. The targets are translated by the author.

Table 1 Typical composition of biogas

Matter	%
Methane	50-75
Carbon dioxide	25-50
Nitrogen	0-10
Hydrogen	0-1
Hydrogen sulfide	0-3
Oxygen	0-2

Source: kolumbus.fi, 2007, modified by the author

Chart 3 Three steps of biogas production



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In the **liquefaction step**, liquefying bacteria convert insoluble, complex materials such as carbohydrates, fats and proteins into soluble substances. The rest parts, i.e. water, inorganic matter, are discharged out of the system.

In the **Acid Production step**, most of the liquefied soluble compounds are converted to simple organic acids. Within an anaerobic environment, acid-forming bacteria survive via the energy from the decomposition of the compounds, while acids and other materials are synthesized.

The **Biogas Production step** almost happens in the same time of step 2. These simple organic acids are intermediate products, which would degenerate into CH₄, H₂O and CO₂ soon. Besides, these acids can provide all these bacteria an acidic and anaerobic environment.

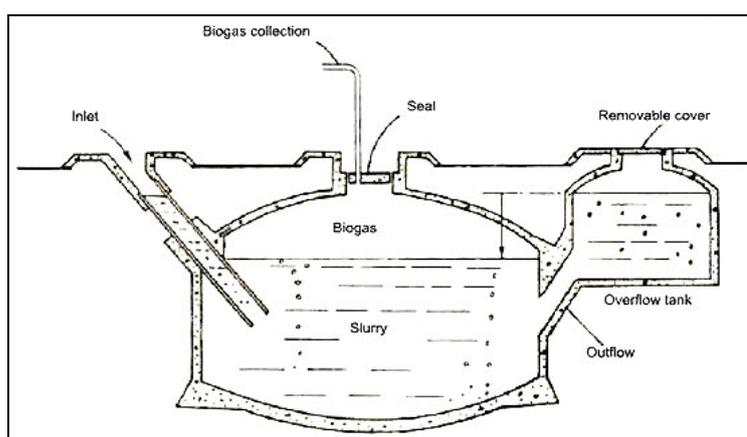
1.4.2 The Structure of a Biogas Digester

There is evidence that biogas was used to heat bath water in Assyria during 10 BC; and the first digestion plant to produce biogas from wastes was built in a leper colony in Bombay, India in 1859. (Li & Ho, 2000, p34).

Nowadays, biogas is a full-fledged technology and could be applied in different situations and scales. In China, serial of construction codes and regulations have been launched by Ministry of Agriculture (M.A.China, 1987, 2002). Some key difficulties are being researched, e.g. performance in cold weather (Gao, et al. 2007, p35-36), high-efficient bacteria that would short the production process (Zhou, et al., 2007, p761-764).

The working principle of a simple biogas digester is described in Chart 4: as more and more biogas is produced, the water level in slurry would decline and in overflow tank would ascend. The slurry is the reaction container of biogas production. Its top space works as the storage tank for biogas. Whilst the biogas is flared, the air pressure in slurry will decrease and the water will be extracted from the overflow tank. The function of the overflow tank is to adjust and moderate the pressure balance.

Chart 4 Basic Form of Biogas Digester



Source: Li & Ho, 2000, p34

1.4.3 Status of the Biogas Use World Wide

In the 1940ies, Germany started to use agricultural products to produce biogas. In 1970s, the demand for biogas increased, driven by the oil crisis. In 1990s, biogas became more and more popular in Europe for two reasons: the profitability of using power derived of biogas and the recycling management based on the principle of waste avoidance. (Deublein and Steinhauser, 2008, p30).

The USA is the biggest electricity generator via biogas with 4.9 TWh in 2001. The United Kingdom is the biggest one in Europe with 2.9 TWh in 2001. Germany

produced nearly 2.0 TWh in 2001 (IEA, 2004, p70). As the development of technologies, mechanical-biological treatment, dry-anaerobic digester, central computer control system and the electricity generator with biogas turbine are applied in biogas plants more and more. Nowadays, even, agriculture residues, biomass, organic domestic waste can be applied in developing countries for biogas production, with positive impacts on the environment.

In the developing countries, the biogas production is limited by the lack of suitable technologies and financial ability. So the capacity and efficiency is smaller and lower. Most of biogas plants or digesters consume manure, rather than other organic waste. However, the biogas is still considered as an excellent solution of energy crisis and manure pollution. Since 1970s, Asian countries such as India, The Philippines, Thailand, Indonesia, etc, have solved the technical problems, e.g. carbon/nitrogen ratio, operation in winter³ (Barnett et al, 1978, p97-109). Nowadays, Asian countries are paying more attention to the biogas issue as an important alternative renewable energy source. Nepal has 145000 biogas plants for a population of about 20 mil financed by the World Bank. In Vietnam, 18,000 biogas digesters were built by the year 2005 and another 150,000 would be constructed by 2010. As the two biggest developing counties, China and India have bigger programs. India is running 2.5 mil biogas digesters. Depending on the substances, the plants generate 3-10 m³ biogas per day, enough to feed an common family in rural area (Deublein, Steinhauser, 2008, p35).

³ Till now, the performance of biogas plant in cold weather is still a difficulty in world-wide, especially for individual biogas digesters. In large-scale biogas plants, a heating system is always designed to keep a stable temperature inside the plant via flaring some biogas.

2 Biogas-Household Program in Datong

2.1 National Setting

2.1.1 History of Biogas Use in China

China is one of the pioneering countries for the use of biogas. Three historical stages of biogas application could be distinguished:

Introductory Stage – Early 20th century

By the end of the nineteenth century, simple biogas digesters had appeared in the coastal areas of southern China. In 1920, Luo, Guorui invented and built an 8 m³ biogas tank and established the Santou Guorui Biogas Co.,Ltd. In 1935, Chinese Guorui Biogas Digester Practical Lecture Notes were published, representing the first monograph on biogas in China and also in the world. (Deublein, Steinhauser, 2008, p13)

First nation-wide introduction Stage – 1970ies

The second stage of biogas use occurred between 1970 and 1990, when the Chinese government considered biogas application as an effective and rational use of natural resources in rural areas. Around 1970ies, about 6 mil biogas plants were set up in China for energy, environmental protection and improvement in hygiene (Deublein, Steinhauser, 2008, p30; Li, 2008, p2). A considerable amount of international researches on the program reflected the world-wide attention given to these Chinese efforts (Van Buren, 1976; McGarry, Stainforth, 1978; GTZ, 1981). The Chinese biogas technology was so successful in that period that the “China dome” bio-reactor became a formal construction standard and a model for the use of biogas in developing countries.

Mass promulgation of improved technologies – 1990ies until present

The third wave started in 1990ies as a part of eighth national five-year plan with the application of the latest research results (Deublein, Steinhauser, 2008, p35; Li, 2008, p3). New concepts have also been developed in this period, e.g. “A pit with three

reconstructions”, “4 in 1” (livestock-biogas-vegetable-modern greenhouse) and “Livestock-Biogas-Fruits”. By the end of 2000, there were 9.8 mil household digesters throughout China and 55% of them conducted integrated utilization (Li, 2008, p3). In the 10th national five-year plan, the BHP was implemented in the national scale.

Table 2 Comparison of the second and third stage of biogas use in China

	1970-1990	1992-2005
Background	The pressure of energy-crisis and fast development of economy and society	The pressure of environment, improvement of farmer’s live quality and energy-crisis
Number of biogas digesters	40 mil (The aim of the 1970s)	9.12 mil
Status	30%-50% had serious problems, due to low standard of maintenance.	Work well
Technology	Too much physical work involved; low efficiency of biogas production	Automatic or semi-automatic Inlet and outlet of the raw material and slurry; higher efficiency
Scale of biogas digester	Small size, for farmer’s daily use (kitchen energy supply)	Large size: for electricity and heat generation, operating in livestock farms
Role of Government	Initiator and promulgator of the new technology	One of the stakeholders who provides technology support and parts of finance

Sources: GTZ, 1981; P.R.Ch, Ministry of Agriculture, 2006

2.1.2 The National Biogas-household Program

Since 2000, Ministry of Agriculture began to implement the BHP in rural areas. From 2001 to 2005, the central government invested EUR 353.27 mil, benefiting 3.57 mil households and 120 biogas plants on large or medium animal husbandry farms (P.R.C., M.A., 2006, p36).

The BHP integrates the biogas digester, clean kitchen, improved toilet, high-tech livestock farm and modern agriculture. The Ministry recommends concepts, suitable for different climatic conditions (see chart 5). In northern China, the key recommended concept is the “livestock-biogas digester-vegetable-modern greenhouse” model. In southern China, the key concept is the “Livestock-Biogas-Fruits” model.

organic liquid fertilizer and compost. An investigation in Southern China states, that the production of rice and wheat would increase 10%-12.5% with the use of bio-sludge (Van Buren, 1976, p16).

The program is expected to control the non-point pollution on air and water body in rural area. The low combustion efficiency of the traditional stove causes not only the waste of fuel, but also brings lots of air pollutant, e.g. CO, N₂O, etc. The methane emission from the disposal of manure and domestic waste is a harmful gas whose global warming potential (GWP) is 21 times of CO₂. In rural area of China, the lack of waste disposal and sanitation leads to heavy water pollution. The livestock manure and human excreta so far have not been treated safely. Manure, excreta and leaches from solid waste indiscriminately discharged on land do not only bring pollution to water body and underground water, but may also be the cause for a large variety of infectious diseases. The worse issue is that the rural area is always located in the upstream of the urban area.

The BHP is expected to greatly reduce the occurrence of mosquitoes and flies, and reduce alimentary canal diseases (P.R.C., M.A., 2006, p10). During the anaerobic process, most of pathogens and germs would be killed. The reduction of the parasite eggs in the processed fecal liquid is up to 98% (McGarry, Stainforth, 1978, p71). Besides, the program will enhance better kitchens with clean biogas and a more efficient stove, thus greatly improve the life quality of farmers.

In addition, BHP can improve the women's life quality in rural area, because they are normally in charge of cooking in poor and smoky kitchens with low-efficiency stoves. However, the initiative of BHP is to solve the bottleneck of energy supply in rural areas which is directly relevant to the farmers' life quality. One household-use digester can save some 0.5T coal annually which costs about 30 EUR⁴. Further economic benefits are the output increase of agriculture and the expense saving resulting from the use of bio-sludge as a substitute of synthetic fertilizer. It is estimated that 50 EUR could be saved directly by BHP for each family⁵. Moreover, one medium biogas plant can be expected to produce annually 550,000 m³ biogas equalling up to 850 tones coals. These two parts could save 28.2 mil tones of coals each year when the 2006-2010 national BHP finishes (P.R.C., M.A., 2006, p8).

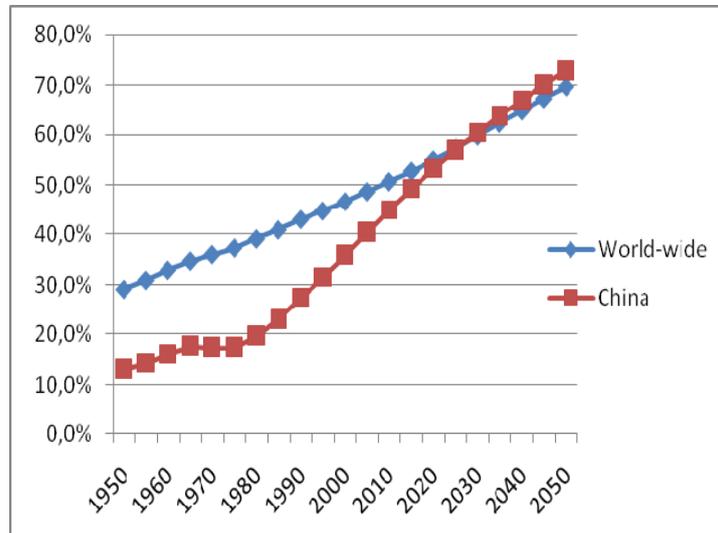
The program plays a crucial role in the development of urban and rural of China. Facing the fast urbanization and immigration of China (see chart 6), a well inner-

⁴ The price of coal is changing in a range of 30-80 EUR /T in China.

⁵ The use of biogas depends on the lifestyle of the habitants and local geographic conditions. Taking Datong Xian as example, because of its cool weather and abundance of local coal resources, farmers use comparatively more coal per capital than other area. Thus, the introduction of biogas use could also save more coal.

function relationship between urban and rural is expected by government. Mao Zhedong, the first president of P.R.China, had summarised top-10 relationships in China. The relationship between urban and rural is one of them.

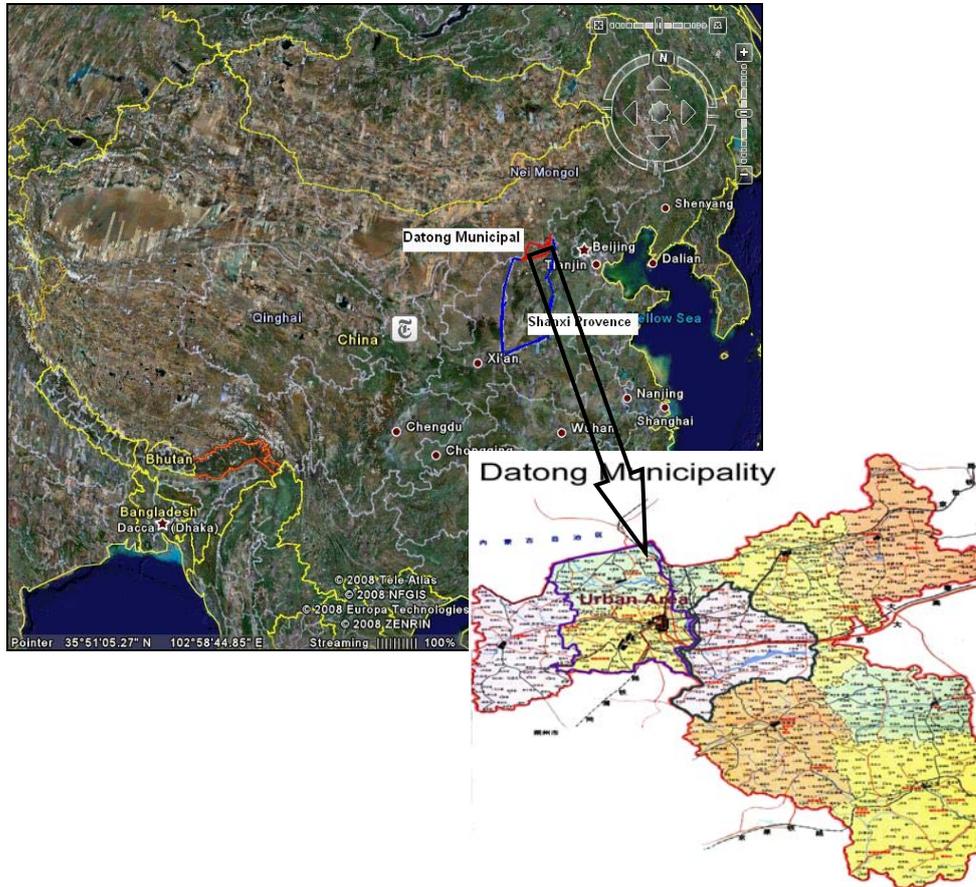
Chart 6 Percentage of urban population in World-wide and China (1950-2050)



Data Source: UNESA, World Urbanization Prospect Database, 2007

2.2 Profile of Datong Municipality⁶

Picture 1 The location of Datong within the Chinese Territory



Source: Google earth, 2008; Sino Maps Press, 2000

Datong is one of the most important industrial centers in northern China and the second biggest Municipality in Shanxi Province, located in 112° 34' -114° 33' W and 39° 03' -40° 44' N with total area of 14,176km² and an average elevation of 1090m (Wikipedia, 2008). It's location is presented in picture 1. The mean annual temperature of Datong Municipality is 5.5 °C and its mean annual precipitation totals 400 mm, mainly falling in July, August and September. Datong has four urban sub-districts and seven (rural) counties (see location in picture 1 and details in table 3).

⁶ Whenever Datong appears in the paper, it's the abbreviation of Datong Municipality. Datong Xian is one of the administrative subunits of Datong Municipality.

Table 3 Datong Municipality: Administrative Sub-Units

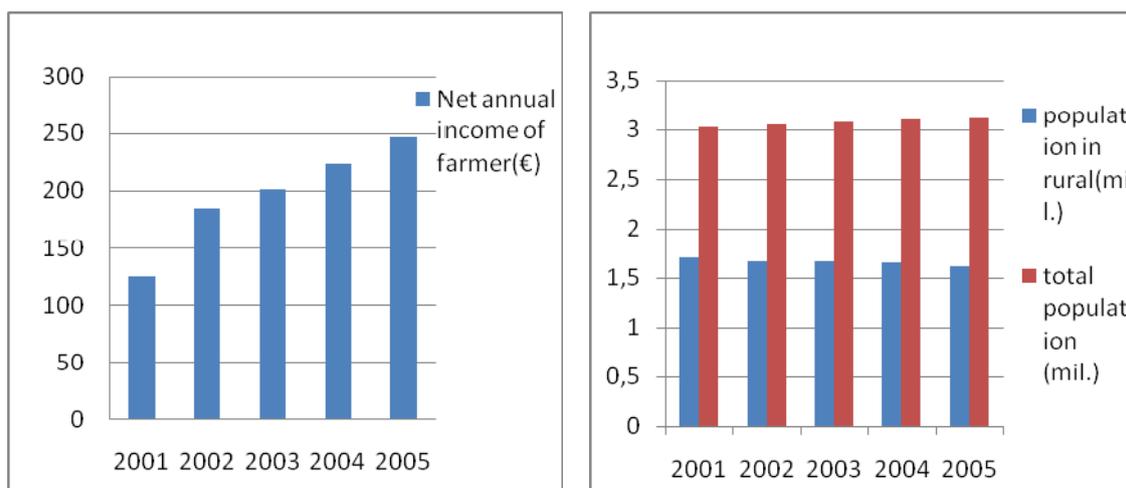
Name	Area (km ²)	Approx. Population
Central Urban District (城区) *The location of local government of Datong	46	580,000
Mining District (矿区)	62	440,000
District Nanjiao (南郊区)	966	280,000
District Xinrong (新荣区)	1,006	110,000
Yanggao Xian (阳高县)	1,678	290,000
Tianzhen Xian (天镇县)	1,635	210,000
Guangling Xian (广灵县)	1,283	180,000
Lingqiu Xian (灵丘县)	2,720	230,000
Hunyan Xian (浑源县)	1,965	350,000
Zuoyun Xian (左云县)	1,314	140,000
Datong Xian (大同县)	1,503	170,000

Source: Wikipedia, 2008; Datong Municipality's Bureau of Statistics, 2001-2005

Although Datong is highly industrialized due to its rich coal resources, more than half of its population is rural. The rather unfavourable land conditions (climate, fertility, water shortage) make the farmers' life poor. (See chart 7).

Chart 7 Datong Municipality

Rural per-Capita Income (l); Proportion of Rural-Urban Population (r)



Data source: Datong Municipality's Bureau of Statistics, 2001-2005

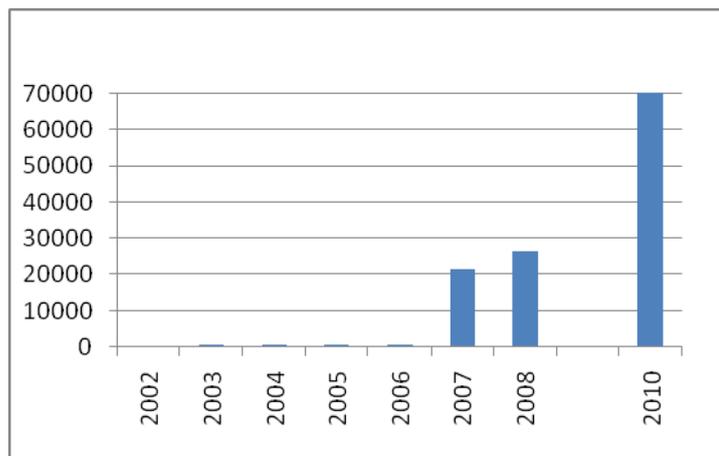
2.3 Biogas-Household Program in Datong

Since 2002, BHP is implemented in Datong. 250 household-use biogas digesters were built in Guangling Xian, as a demonstration project. The number did not change too much from 2002-2006. Since 2007, the municipal government decided to implement individual biogas use on a larger scale. In 2008, the program extends to three categories:

- 20,000 new household-use biogas digesters,
- 200 biomass efficiency-improved stoves,
- 2 large-scale biogas plants for animal farms.

The last two categories were the first to be applied in Datong. In the long-term action plan (2006-2010), there would be 70,000 household-use biogas digesters and 10 large-scale biogas digesters for animal farms till 2010 (Datong municipality's Bureau of Agriculture, 2007, p1). The change of biogas use in rural area is described in chart 8.

Chart 8 Datong: Rural households using Biogas Digesters



Data source: Datong Bureau of Agriculture, 2007

2.3.1 Forms of the Applications

As stated above, there are three categories of application in the BHP till 2008, i.e. Biogas plants, Biomass efficiency-improved stoves, and Individual biogas digesters. All of them will be described below:

Large-scale biogas plant

Till the end of 2007, two large-scale biogas plants were supported by BHP. One is located in Jiye Swine Farm Co., Ltd, and another one in Yubao Dairy Co., Ltd. Jiye Swine Farm raises 120,000 swine annually with a life time of 4.5 month. The biogas project will install a biogas turbine generator (see picture 2) with capacity of 950 kWh. Yubao Dairy Co., Ltd is one of the biggest local milk suppliers, with 2000 dairy cows. The electricity-supply capacity of this biogas project is 400 kWh. The Project Design Documents of them have been submitted in 2007. Hopefully, the construction could start at March, 2009. The biogas projects in these two companies will consume the animal manure and provide clean electricity generation as a substitute of the traditional coal-fire electricity generation. In absence of the program, these manures are disposed in open lagoons and release methane into atmosphere directly.

Picture 2 Datong: large biogas project

(left: biogas plant / right: biogas turbine generator)



Photos: Wang, Xiuqin⁷

Biomass efficiency-improved stoves

The biomass stoves (see picture 3) project is the latest demonstration project in 2007 under the framework of BHP. 200 households in Xietun, Beijingzao, of Datong

⁷ Mrs. Wang, Xiuqin is the chef of Agriculture Monitoring Station of Datong and one of the members of Joint Team to supervise and enhance the BHP in Datong. These photos are taken when she inspected and visited the biogas-technology provider.

Xian(大同县倍加皂乡谢屯村) have been selected. Half of them are provided with improved biomass stoves for heating and cooking. The other half are provided with improved biomass stoves for cooking. Traditionally the crop residues are burnt untreated, which wastes biomass energy and releases polluted air into the rooms and into the atmosphere. The aim of this project is to reuse the biomass resources in a higher efficiency in order to save costs for fuel and reduce the burning of coal.

Picture 3 Improved efficiency biomass stoves

(left: Improved biomass stoves for heating and cooking/right: Improved biomass stoves for cooking)



Photos: Jia, Xiaodong

Household-use biogas digesters

Till the end of 2007, 21,362 household-use biogas digesters had been installed in Datong. 20,562 had been built in 2007 with a uniform standard (see picture 4). All are constructed underground with brick concrete having a daily capacity of 8 m³ biogas. The raw materials for these biogas digesters mainly are animal manure.

Picture 4 Household-use biogas digesters

(left: buried biogas-digester / right: biogas stove)



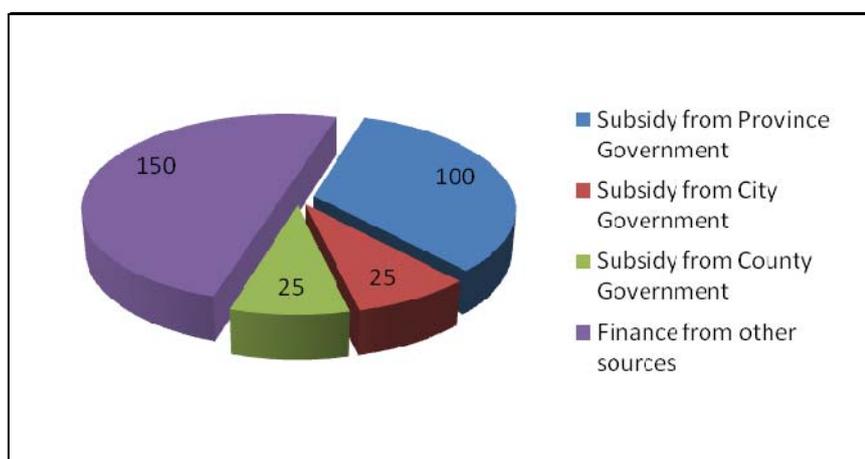
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2.3.2 Financing

All three categories of this program, 2 large biogas plants in livestock farms, 200 improved biomass stoves, and 21362 individual use biogas digesters, are implemented with financial subsidies and technical support. The biogas plant in Jiye Swine Farm receives subsidy of EUR100,000 (35% of overall costs). The biogas plant in Yubao Dairy Co., Ltd is financed with EUR40,000 (22% of total costs). 200 new biomass stoves are provided to farmers free of charge. The household-use digesters are the most important constituent of the BHP and get finance of EUR 6.051 mil totally from different levels of government.

Chart 9 describes the basic financial sources of a digester with costs of EUR 300: 33.3% come from the Shanxi provincial budget, 8.3% from the municipal budget of Datong. The financial support granted by the Xian level depends on the individual revenue situation and the attention given to biogas production. However, none gives less than 8,3% (EUR 25). Four of the 11 districts provide EUR 100 for each bio-digester owner, which means that in this case the farmer receives renewable energy free of charge. In the particular case of Datong Xian each household was only given a support of EUR25 (Datong municipality's Bureau of Agriculture, 2007, p6). Within Datong Xian further financial support was also granted from the Xiang budget. Also at this level, the support varies considerably, depending on the local economic situation. Some rich Xiangs and Cuns provide the other half of the cost, by supplying cement, bricks, or/and biogas stoves. Some poor Xiangs can't afford any extra expense.

Chart 9 Datong: Financial Sources for Digester (Unit: EUR)*



** Total cost of individual biogas digester is 300 EURO.

Data source: Datong Municipality's Bureau of Agriculture, 2007; Personal investigation

2.3.3 Technical Support Measures

Governments play a very crucial role in the implementation of the BHP. It is not only the biggest financial supporter, but also provides all the technical services.

For technical support, a service network is just being installed in Datong. 2 independent service companies have registered successfully. 10 technical support stations located in every Xian and sub-district (except the Central Urban District)⁸. 54 service stations are scattered in different Villages. Till the end of 2007, 784 technicians obtained career licenses which are awarded by the national administration of agriculture.

Because of the limit of revenue, these technical support stations and service boxes are always lack of cars, computers and some necessary tools.

2.3.4 Monitoring and Evaluation

At the beginning of the program design, governments have considered about the monitoring and evaluation.

In the level of central government, monitoring and evaluation mainly focus on accountability and efficiency of the national fund. 10% of Xians applying the fund will be inspected on site randomly. A service hot-line is set, 0086-10-59191706. The relevant regulations about the award and punishment are also set. (P.R.C., Ministry of Agriculture, 1999, p8)

The local governments pay more attention on effectiveness and quality. "Shanxi Province's regulations about the acceptance of BHP activities" indicates that, the acceptance by Xiang's governments should include the design material, subsidy expense, operation, biogas generation, and environmental impact assessment. 30% of the biogas users should be inspected on site randomly. the inspection will comply with a evaluation system, in which all the aspects of the BHP will be given a mark in the range of 1-5. (Shanxi's Department of Agriculture, 2004, p1-4)

2.4 The Survey Sample: Datong Xian

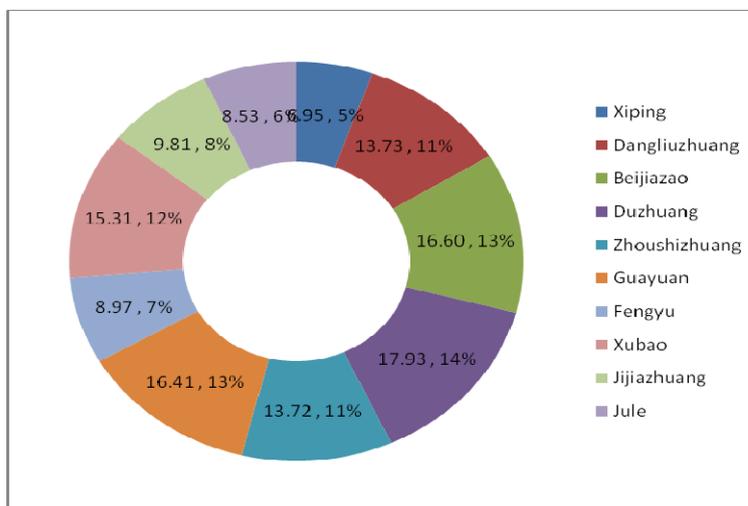
As the survey sample, Datong Xian plays an important role in this thesis. The confirmation of all parameters used for the calculation of GHG emission reduction by individual biogas digesters was carried out and finished in Datong Xian by the author

⁸ District Cheng has been urbanized completely. There are no agriculture or farm activities.

and his team⁹. Beside, the survey about the user attitude towards the Biogas-household program is carried out in here too.

From the economic and social point of view, Datong Xian is eligible to represent the middle level among the 11 Xians and districts of Datong. It is a typical Xian in the northern China located in 130° 20' -113° 35' W and 39° 43' -40° 16' N with an area of 1,503 km². The mean annual temperature of Datong Xian is 6.4 °C and its mean annual precipitation totals 300-450 mm, mainly in July, August and September. The total population of Datong Xian is circa 170,000, 130,000 of which work in agriculture activities. Agriculture is the economic backbone of Datong Xian. However, because of the poor land qualities and difficult climatic situation, the net income per capita of farmer is only 313.5 EUR in 2007 (Local government of Datong Xian, 2008).

Chart 10 Datong Xian: 11 Xiang's GDP, 2007(Mil EUR)

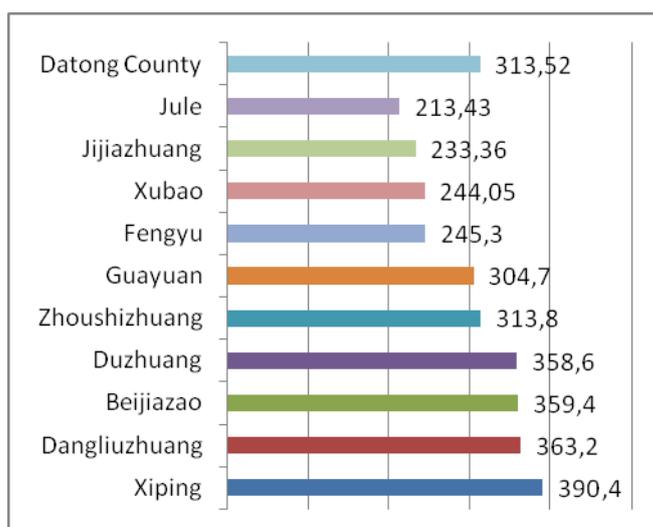


Data source: Local government of Datong Xian, 2008

Datong Xian has ten Xiangs which vary largely in terms of GDP and net income of farmers (see chart 10 and chart 11). The net income of farmers is the main indicator of the degree of wealth, which depends mainly on the given topographic and natural situation in each specific locality. The Xiang which are located closer to High-speed way/national motorway or closer to a river/reservoir normally have a better economic situation (see chart 12).

⁹ The team members: Jia, Shiyuan, Liang, Shuzhen. The investigation got lots of help from Bureau of Agriculture of Datong Xian and local xiang governments..

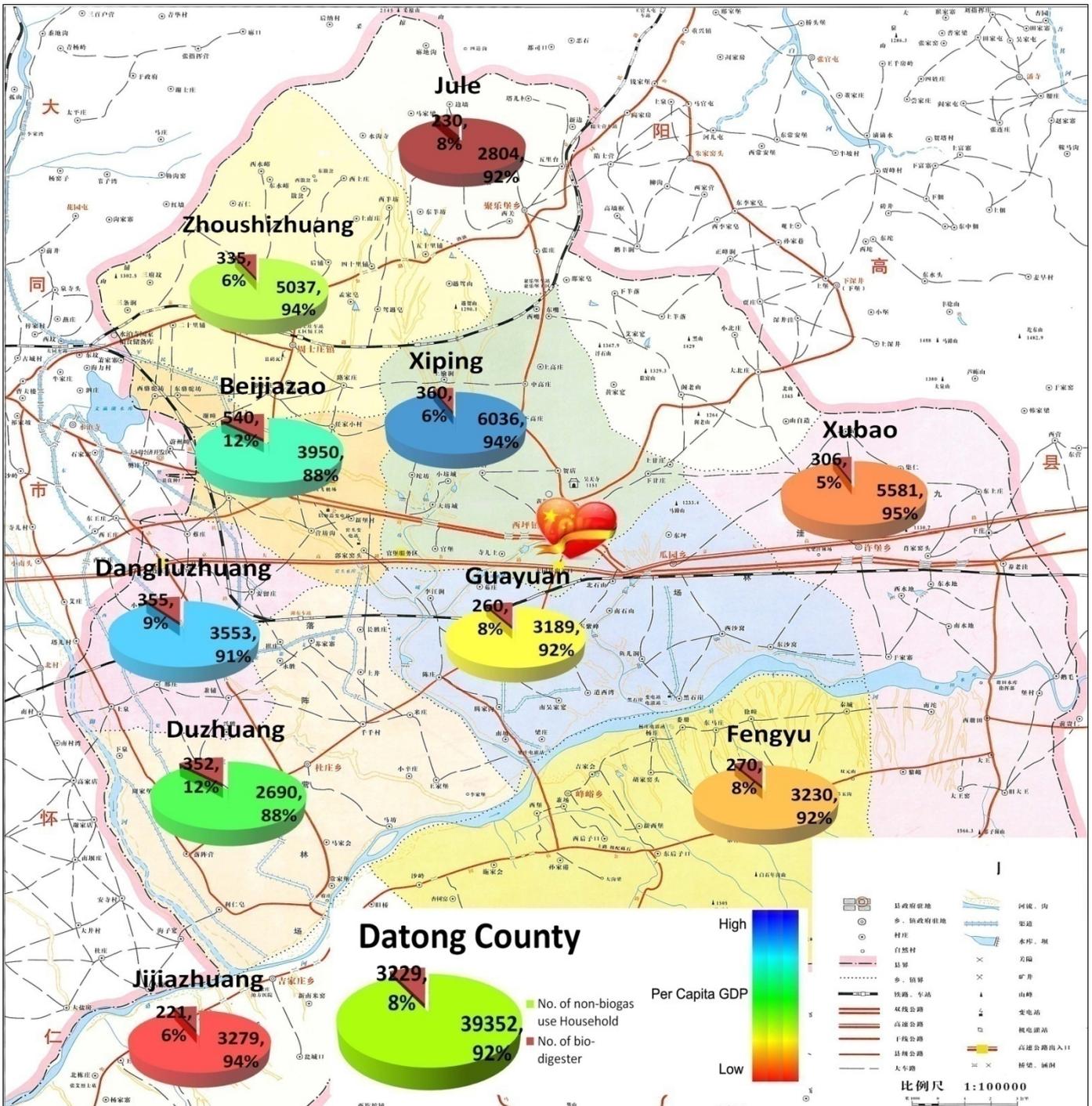
Chart 11 Datong Xian: Net income of Farmers in 2007, by Xiang (EUR)



Data source: Local government of Datong Xian, 2008

Since 2007, Datong Xian started to implement the BHP. 3229 households in 189 Villages, 8% of the total households in Datong Xian, constructed biogas digesters. These biogas digesters were built with concrete or brick concrete under a same construction. They were designed to produce biogas 8m³/day. The local official in charge of the program claims that 90.4% of these biogas digesters work regularly (Datong Xian's Bureau of Agriculture, 2007).

Chart 12 Datong Xian: Distribution of biogas users in Xiangs in 2007



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3 State of Research

All the biogas programs in different countries and different period started for the same reason of the lack of the energy. But there is a meaningful value neglected in most situations, which is that Biogas-household program would reduce the non-point greenhouse gas emission and mitigate greenhouse effect.

In Dec.11, 1997, “Kyoto Protocol to the United National Framework Convention on Climate Change” was launched. 156 countries have signed the agreement and promise to reduce their GHG emission till 2005. To stimulate and help the ecological-friendly projects, “Kyoto Protocol” arranges two mechanisms: CDM (Clean Development Mechanism) and JI (Joint Implementation). CDM allows appendix I countries to meet their emission reduction target by paying for the GHG emission reduction from non-appendix I countries (mainly OECD and some eastern European countries). JI allows appendix I countries to meet their emission reduction target inter the appendix I countries.

With compliance of “Kyoto Protocol” and IPCC (Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change) Guidelines for National GHG Inventories, series of methodologies are developed to measure the amount of GHG emission reduction by one kind of project. Some of them are relative with the different aspects of the biogas generation and use. However, there are not available and systematic methodologies for the BHP or similar program in a large scale.

“One of the most promising areas for future CDM activities is programmatic CDM (pCDM), wherein the normal project-by-project approval process is aggregated into a broader program including many individual activities” (UNEP Riso Centre, 2007, p1). But the fact is that 2037 projects exist in the CDM project pipeline till June 11, 2007, and only 21 projects with pCDM characteristics.

The reason is lack of systematic methods to calculate the GHG emission reduction by. The most recently relative methodologies are Gold Standard Methodology for Improved Cook-Stoves and Kitchen Regimes and Gold Standard Methodology for small Scale Bio-digester (Gold Standard foundation, 2008). Unfortunately, there is not application for these two methodologies.

One of similar project under CDM pipeline is the Biogas Support Program – Nepal. This project aims to install a total of 200,000 small biogas digesters all over Nepal. The finance support comes from international subsidy, Nepal government fund and

finance from CDM mechanism. Because of lack of relative methodologies, the project developer only chooses these methodologies which are most easy to monitor and comply. Finally, only the GHG emission reduction by the replacement of thermal energy is calculated and monitored, in according with the small scale CDM methodology I: Thermal Energy for the User with or without electricity generation. (Ecosecurities, 2006)

The improved cooperate governance is a new concept in China. Effectiveness, accountability, participation, etc, are introduced to Chinese mind, accompanying with the open and reform of China. One example is that, the open bidding regulations in all public relevant section are learned from the UN and Worldbank regulations, when China apply their loads and subsidies.

There are various methods to evaluate the governance. Vertical comparison is used to evaluate governance with data in a long period of time. The change and tendency of these data can show the evolvement of governance. Almus (2003) set a database on public start-up assistance activities (1990-1999) under the Deutsche Ausgleich Bank to evaluate its effect on these companies. Esposti (2002) evaluate the Italy's national agricultural research systems by the similar way with data from 1972 to 1991. Ballesteros and Rico (2001) applied this method to evaluate the Spanish financing of precompetitive research projects which was developed by firms in collaboration with universities and public research organisms. Horizontal comparison is applied to measure the governance inner-countries. One example is Mandl (2008) evaluate the effectiveness of public spending in EU members. Similar case is Herrera and Pang (2005) measured the effect of public spending in developing countries.

We could find out all these methods have two common characteristics: defined indicators and statistic analysis.

4 Methodology

This chapter will introduce the methodology of the thesis, involving the carbon flows in Biogas-household program, the estimation of the GHG emission reduction and survey of the attitudes of the program holders.

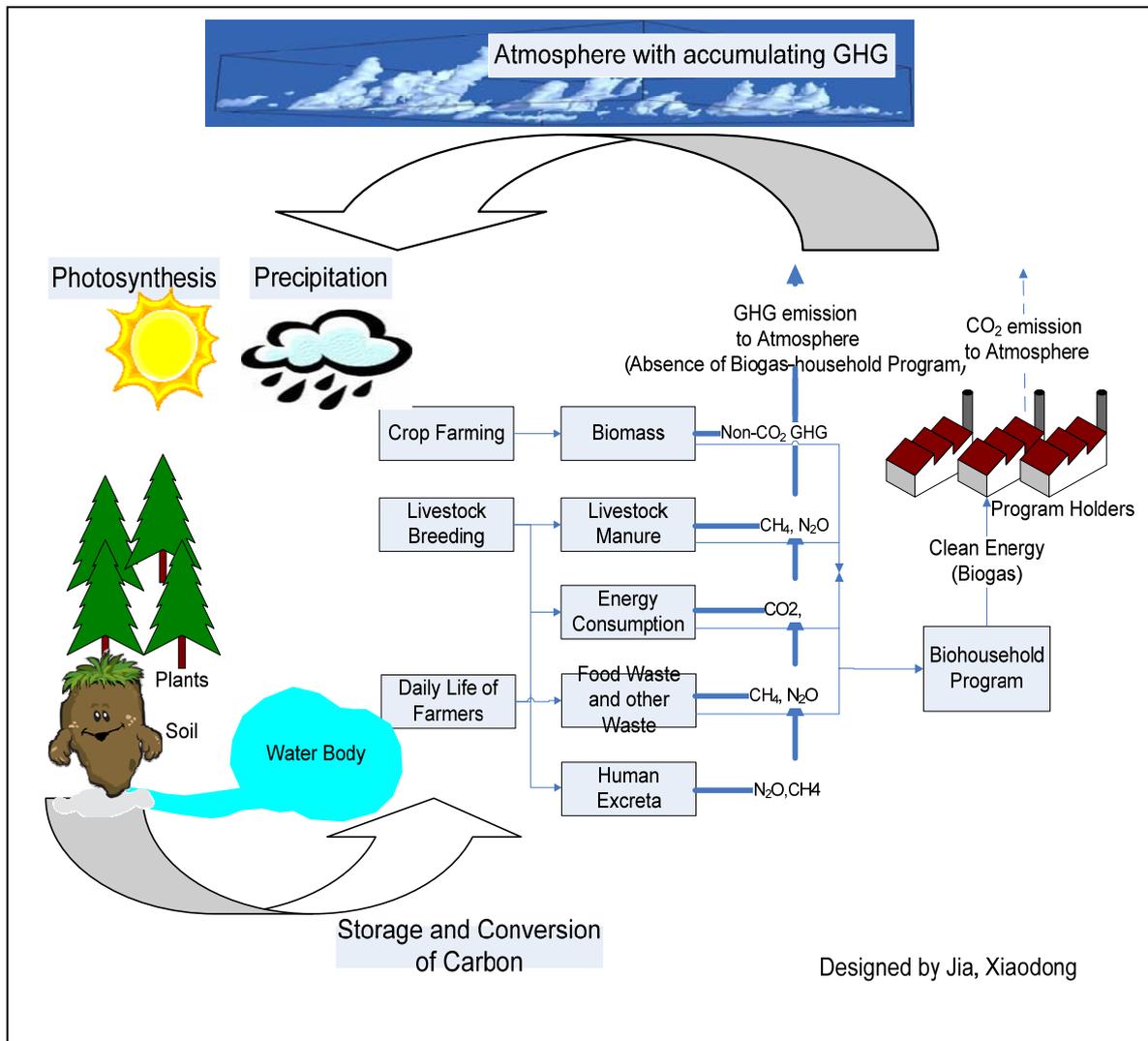
4.1 Carbon Flow Map of BHP

The essence of Biogas-household program is a project of methane and other GHG recovery. It changes the previous carbon flow into a low-carbon emission flow (see chart 13).

In absence of BHP, there would several sources of GHG emissions in rural area in China, above:

- GHG emissions in animal manure management system
- GHG emissions in human excreta management system
- GHG emissions emitted from the Landfill of food waste and other waste
- GHG emissions from fuel consume for the daily life
- Non-CO₂ GHG emissions from biomass burning

Chart 13 The position of BHP within the general Carbon flow



All of these GHG would be released into the atmosphere and become a part of the global carbon circle. The carbon involved in the GHG would come back to the ground through precipitation, or converted through the photosynthesis and stored in biomasses or fossil fuels. And then, human activity would emit the GHG through the consumption of fuels or other ways. Part of the GHG would accumulate in the atmosphere and form the greenhouse effect.

BHP is able to recover the GHG emissions through the biogas digesters. The biogas produced by the BHP would be used for the cooking and lighting, in which process only the CO₂ would be emitted, rather than CH₄ with a heavy negative impact on climate.

4.2 Estimation of GHG Emission Reduction

IPCC (Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change) has developed a systemic way to estimate the GHG emissions from all sections (anthropogenic and natural). To make the Clean Development Mechanism (CDM) accurate and comparable, United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) provides series of approved methodologies fit for different project activities that could reduce the GHG emissions.

In 2007, Datong municipality decided to implement BHP in three forms: household-use biogas digesters, large-scale biogas digesters for animal farms, and biomass efficiency-improved stoves. Based on IPCC 2006¹⁰ and CDM approved methodologies¹¹, the thesis classifies the sources of GHG emission reduction into three categories. In addition, under each category, every possible source of GHG emission reduction is indicated following the relevant IPCC guidelines or CDM methodologies (see table 4).

Basically, the GHG emission reduction is the difference between baseline emission and the combination of project emission and leakage emission. Baseline for a project activity which is potential to reduce the GHG emissions is the scenario that reasonably represents the anthropogenic GHG emissions that would occur in the absence of the proposed project activity (UNFCCC, 2008, p10). In some case, the proposed project would also cause GHG emissions, i.e. directly from fuel consumption, indirectly from the use of electricity or vehicle. In addition, there would probably be more than one source of baseline emission and/or project emission in one project. Under the CDM framework, different approved methodologies are proposed to calculate the GHG emission reduction for different kind of project. The number of approved methodologies is increasing year by year, as people realize that lots of projects have the potential to reduce their GHG emissions.

Annex 2 is a calculation model linked to an EXCEL calculation sheet. Formulas are introduced in the back-ground of the EXCEL, following the chosen methodologies and references in table 4. The missing data in Annex 2 (marked as 0 in red in the row of "Value") will be obtained in the process of data collection. Some of them are from

¹⁰ IPCC 2006 includes: volume 1 General guidance and reporting, volume 2 Energy, volume 3 Industrial processes and product use, volume 4 Agriculture, forestry and other land, volume 5 Waste. <http://www.ipcc-nggip.iges.or.jp/public/2006gl/index.html>

¹¹ All CDM approved methodologies are listed in the website of UNFCCC: <http://cdm.unfccc.int/methodologies/SSCmethodologies/index.html>

government, and some come from the survey. The other values are defaulted respectively with the relevant IPCC guidelines.

Table 4 Sources of GHG emission reduction

<i>Sources of GHG emission reduction</i>	<i>Methodologies and references</i>
Category 1 For individual household	
GHG recovery in agricultural activities ties at household/small farm level	IPCC 2006, volume 4 chapter 10 p10.37 Equation10.22
Landfill GHG recovery	Methodological Tools ¹² for SSC: Tool to determine methane emissions avoided from dumping waste at a solid waste disposal site
GHG recovery in human excreta management system	IPCC 2006, volume 5 chapter 6 Equation 6.1
Thermal energy for the user with or without electricity	CDM AMS ¹³ -I.C.
Non-CO2 GHG emission from biomass burning	IPCC 2006, Volume 4, p5.2.4 & Equation 2.27
Category 2 For large biogas plant	
Methane recovery in animal manure management system	CDM AMS-III.D.
Grid connected renewable electricity generation	CDM AMS-I.D.
Thermal energy for the user with or without electricity	CDM AMS-I.C.
Category 3 For Improved biomass stove	
Switch from Non-renewable fuel for thermal application by the user	IPCC 2006, volume 2, table 1.2

¹² In some case, a common Tool could be applied in different methodology. http://cdm.unfccc.int/EB/035/eb35_repan10.pdf

¹³ CDM AMS are simplified methodologies for small scale CDM project. One of the mainly benchmark between small scale and large scale is 60,000 tCO2e emissions reduction annual. <http://cdm.unfccc.int/methodologies/SSCmethodologies/approved.html>

4.3 Evaluation of Governance

The governments at different level have allocated large funds to develop the BHP, but the most important factor in the implementation of this program should be the farmers, the individual program holders. Hence the thesis try find out the attitudes of the program holders before evaluating them.

First, we need to define the indicators of this program which are related with the attitudes of program holders. Based on a research in the field of promoting renewable energy (Brouns, et al. 2007, p6-7), a sample survey should be designed to collect attitudes about four main dimensions/barriers, including awareness & information, finance & economic, technological, institutional & political.

In the sector of awareness & information, the questions about the degree of known and understanding on the BHP and greenhouse effect are asked towards framers. In the sector of financial & economic, the amount and forms of governmental subsidy, the importance of these subsidies, and the way farmer access the rest part of the cost are asked by the investigators. In the sector of technological, interviews investigate the methods by which the farmers get the knowledge about the biogas digester. In the sector of institutional & political, the farmers are required to evaluate the BHP and the performance of governments and speak out their perspective.

Then, a descriptive statistics analysis would be introduced to summarize the answers and evaluate the governance of BHP.

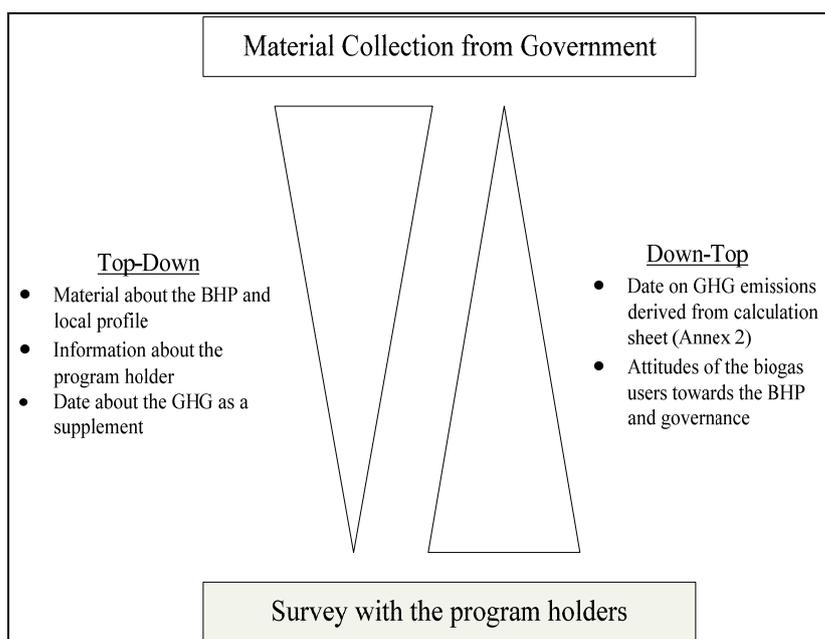
Finally, from the result of the evaluation and perspectives of program holders, the thesis will bring forward proposals improving the governance and management system for BHP.

4.4 Data Collection

The target of data collection is to obtain the missing data in the calculation model and access the attitudes of program holders. It includes two sources, material from government about the implication of the BHP and survey with the farmers who are the program holders.

The data from the survey play a crucial role in the estimation of GHG emission reduction by individual biogas digesters and the attitudes of program holders, and the data from government are used for the estimation of GHG emission reduction by large-scale biogas plants and biomass stoves. It is also is a useful supplement for all relevant information. The framework of data collection would make sure the data are authentic and representative.

Chart 14 Data collection procedure



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From the Bureau of Agriculture of Datong, which is in charge of the implementation of the BHP, and other government departments, the basic statement of the BHP in Datong and the information of the program holders could be obtained.

For the individual use of biogas digester and the attitudes towards the governance, the survey is conducted.

4.5 Survey Design

Survey is chosen as the tool to collect the data and information, rather than census. Because the sample survey is generally cheaper, faster and easier to control, despite that there would be sampling error depending on sample size and the variability of the characteristic of interest. The details describes below:

- **Survey objective:** the survey is designed to collect the values of the relevant parameter for the estimation of GHG emission reduction, and the attitude of these farmers towards the program
- **Target population:** 3,229 bio-digester holders in Datong Xian (information about interviewees in Annex 4)
- **Survey population:** a sample interval 3% of the target population, 97 householders scattered in different villages considering the economic state and geographic situation.

- **Timeframe:** the survey is implemented from August 2008 to October 2008
- **Resources available:** with the help from the agriculture bureau of Datong Xian
- **Finance:** personally
- **Questionnaire:** see Annex 3, includes three parts: basic information of the farmer, data collection about BHP and the attitude to the program. Data would be used to estimate the GHG emission reduction. The attitude to the program would be used to learn about the governance in the process of implementation of this program.
- **Survey tool:** face-to-face interview
- **Output:** quantifiable value for all question
- **End-use of data:** calculation of the GHG emission reduction by household bio-digester and the analysis of the attitude of biogas users

After the basic statement of the survey, it's important to keep eyes on the accuracy of the survey. Taking into account with some survey design principles^{14 15}, the furthermore details are issued below:

- **Sampling frame:** a name list of the all the bio-digester holders in Datong Xian
- **Sample selection:** the principle is summed up in "everyone has to have a measurable chance of being selected". However, depending on the finance and timeframe, it's hard to access every village in which there are biogas users.
- **Sampling strategic:** probability sampling. The interviewee is chosen from the name list randomly, since the investigators have no time and finance to be at every village.
- **Accuracy of result:** acceptable margin of error is less than 0,01; the level of confidence required: 95%.
- **Sources of error:** sampling error depending on sample size and the variability of the characteristic of interest

¹⁴ Statistic New Zealand, 1995: A guide to good survey design

¹⁵ Kott, Phillip S: Sample survey theory and methods,
<http://www.nass.usda.gov/research/reports/course%20notes%200906.pdf>

5 Results and Analysis

5.1 GHG Emission Reduction

In accordance with the calculation model and collected data, the GHG emission reduction by the BHP in Datong are achieved by its three components: 2 large biogas plants in livestock farms, 200 efficiency-improved biomass stoves, and 21.362 individual use biogas digesters.

During the process of data collection, it is found that some sources in table 3 do not exist in currency, e.g. no thermal use in large biogas plants, no crop residues and food waste consumed by individual biogas digesters. Consequentially, the GHG emission reduction from these sources is excluded in the calculation, responding to the real situation.

5.1.1 Emission Reduction by Large Biogas Plants

As indicated in table 4, GHG emission reduction by large biogas plants has three sources: methane recovery in animal manure management system (biogas plants), generation of clean electricity and thermal which could replace the use of traditional fuel and energy. In the real situation, the biogas plants do not generate any thermal energy. The total GHG reduction from this category is 19.518,55 tCO₂e annually (see table 5).

Table 5 Emission reduction by large biogas plants

<i>Sources</i>	<i>Baseline Emission</i>	<i>Project Emission</i>	<i>Emission reduction</i>	<i>References</i>
Methane recovery in animal manure management system	12.705,51	2.047,95	10.657,56	CDM AMS-III.D.
Grid connected renewable electricity generation	8.861,00	0	8.861,0	CDM AMS-I.D.
Total	21.566,51	2.047,95	19.518,56 (tCO ₂ e)	

5.1.2 Emission Reduction by Efficiency-improved Biomass Stoves

The new biomass stoves project is applied in 200 households as a demonstration project. The fact is farmers consume 4 kg renewable biomass (crop residues or corn pellets) per day. They used to consume 4 kg coal for daily use without the new stove. In absence of the project, parts of the crop residues are burnt in wild which waste biomass energy and release polluted air into the atmosphere. Since these crop residues or corn pellets are renewable biomass, the use of them as fuel would not increase the GHG emission.

The GHG emission reduction under this category is 2,94 tCO₂e averagely, consequently, 589,33 tCO₂e in total (see table 6).

Table 6 Emission reduction by efficiency-improved biomass stoves

<i>Sources</i>	<i>Baseline Emission</i>	<i>Project Emission</i>	<i>Emission reduction</i>	<i>References</i>
Switch from Non-renewable fuel for thermal application by each user	2,94	0	2,94	IPCC 2006, volume 2, table 1.2
Total (200 stoves)	589,33	0	589,33 (tCO ₂ e)	

5.1.3 Emission Reduction by Individual Biogas Use

As indicated in table 3, GHG emission reduction by individual biogas use comes from five sources. Since there is no similar study in China, the author designed and carried out a survey to get the details and relevant data for the estimation of GHG emission reduction.

5.1.3.1 The Process of the Survey

The investigators selected 97 (3% of the target population) biogas users in the name list of 3.229 families using biogas (name list in Annex 3). Then, the investigators conducted the survey with the prepared questionnaire due to the name list. Because the name list is randomly created, only 69 out of the 97 questionnaires were received finally. The failure mainly comes from the absence of householders. 17 interviewees were not at home. In the other 9 cases, only a kid or an elder was at home, who was not familiar with the situation.

5.1.3.2 Emission Reduction by Individual Biogas Use

The survey states that there are three real GHG emission reduction sources:

- GHG recovery in agricultural activities ties at household/small farm level,
- GHG recovery from human excreta,
- Thermal energy for the user with or without electricity.

The other two sources listed in table 4 do not occur in the interviewed households. The daily organic waste (kitchen/food waste, garden waste) is not consumed by the biogas digester, so there is no GHG emission reduction from the CH₄ recovery from landfill. The crop residues are sold partly and the other part are burnt directly. No crop residues are used in the biogas digester, so there is no the GHG emission reduction from the avoidance of biomass burning.

The interviewees were selected randomly and scattered in all the 10 Xiangs of Datong Xian. Their economic and geographic situation varies greatly. To control the uncertainty, a correct factor is set as 0,9 for the estimation. Therefore, it's acceptable that the level of GHG emission reduction via biogas use in Datong Xian is eligible to represent the situation of Datong.

The GHG emission reduction is 900,60 tCO₂e by the 69 household, and the GHG emission reduction per household is 13,05 tCO₂e. Hence, the total annual GHG emission reduction by individual biogas use in Datong is expected to be 250.937,91 tCO₂e (see table 7).

Table 7 Emission reduction by individual biogas use

<i>Sources</i>	<i>Baseline Emission</i>	<i>Project Emission</i>	<i>Emission reduction</i>	<i>References</i>
GHG recovery in agricultural activities ties at household/small farm level	14,25	0	14,25	IPCC 2006, volume 4 chapter 10 p10.37 Equation10.22
GHG recovery in human excreta	0,01 ¹⁶	0	0,01	IPCC 2006, volume 5 chapter 6 Equation 6.1
Thermal energy for the user with or without electricity	886,34	0	886,34	CDM AMS-I.C.
Survey sample (69 households)	900,60	0	900,60	
Mean	13,05		13,05	
Total (21362 households ¹⁷)	250.937,91	0	250.937,91 (tCO ₂ e)	

¹⁶ Only one interviewee uses human excreta in his biogas digester. Author includes this part, because "A pit with three reconstructions" and "4 in 1" are getting more and more popular, in which the human excreta would be used in biogas digester. Nowadays, few farmers apply this, as the construction of these two biogas digester are expensive.

5.1.4 The Total Emission Reduction in 2007

The BHP in rural area has developed over the narrow concept of household biogas use. Lots of new technologies are involved into the program to save energy and improve the life quality of farmers now.

The three types of new technologies under the framework of the BHP have achieved their goals in the perspective of economic and ecological development. It's measured that farmer have saved EUR 5,346 mil by the use of biogas digester annually (Datong Municipality's Bureau of Agriculture, 2007).

As the most important by-product of the BHP, the GHG emission reduction is totally 271.045,79 tCO₂e in 2007 (see table 8).

Table 8 Total emission reduction in 2007

<i>Category</i>	<i>Baseline Emission</i>	<i>Project Emission</i>	<i>Emission reduction</i>
Large biogas plants	21.566,51	2.047,95	19.518,56
Efficiency-improvement biomass stoves	589,33	0	589,33
Individual biogas use	250.937,91	0	250.937,9
Total	273.093,75	2.047,95	271.045,79 (tCO ₂ e)

5.2 Energy Flow of BHP in Datong in 2007

In last section is the GHG emission reduction clarified. In this section, the energy flow provides us with an overview of the program in the perspective of energy.

5.2.1 Energy Input

The energy inputs of the program are from animal manure and renewable biomass, consumed by bio-digesters and biomass stoves. Therefore,

$$E_{\text{inputs}} = E_{\text{input, manure}} + E_{\text{input, biomass}}$$

¹⁷ Till the end of 2007, 21362 households have biogas digester and use biogas in Datong.

Where,

E_{inputs} = Energy inputs of the program (MJ/a)

$E_{\text{input, manure}}$ = Energy inputs from animal manure (MJ/a)

$E_{\text{input, biomass}}$ = Energy inputs from renewable biomass use in stoves (MJ/a)

Energy inputs from animal manure and human excreta

Two of the applications in the BHP are relevant with animal manure management. The biogas projects in livestock farms utilize the manure of swine and dairy cow. The raw material for individual bio-digesters is diversified with swine, sheep, horse, cow, poultry and even little human excreta. To simplify the calculation, an average heating value, which equals to NCV, is chosen here. Therefore,

$$E_{\text{input, manure}} = 365 * \sum A_i * VS_i * NCV_{\text{manure}}$$

Where,

NCV_{manure} = Net caloric value of animal manure (4200 Kcal/kg, 1 cal=4.18 J)^{18,19}

A = Amount of livestock involved in the program in Datong municipality

VS = Volatile solid matter for animal manure of kind i (kg/dm/animal/day)

i = Animal kind

Table 9 Data relevant with animal manure and human excreta

<i>Animal kind</i>	<i>Amount*</i>	<i>VS(kg/dm/animal/day)²⁰</i>
Dairy cow	2000	2.8
Cattle	21390	2.3
Swine	6510+120000 (life time of 0.25 year)	0.3
Sheep	23870	0.32
Horse	1240	1.72
poultry	59520 (life time of 0.75 year)	0.01
Humans*	1240	0.2

*Animal amount involved in the BHP in Datong is estimated with a proportion to animal amount in the survey sample.

*In some cases, human excreta are also used in the biogas digester.

Energy inputs from renewable biomass use in stoves

¹⁸ Niu, Ruofen, Liu, Tianfu: 1984, Handbook of technological and economic agriculture, Agriculture Publishing, Beijing; 牛若峰, 刘天福, 《农业技术经济手册》, 农业出版社, 1984

¹⁹ Luo, Shiming: 2000, Agriculture Ecology, Agriculture Publishing, Beijing; 骆世明, 《农业生态学》, 农业出版社, 2000

²⁰ IPCC 2006, Volume 4, Chapter 10, Table10.A4-10.A9

In the pilot project of improved biomass stoves, renewable biomass (crop residues, wood chips) is consumed. The relevant energy input is,

$$E_{\text{input, biomass}} = N * W * NCV_{\text{biomass}}$$

Where,

N = The number of the stove users (200)

W = Weight of biomass consumed by each stove annually (1460 kg/year)

NCV_{manure} = Net calorie value of solid biomass (11.6 MJ/kg)²¹

5.2.2 Energy Output

The energy output mainly goes to the domestic energy consumption with three forms. The biogas produced by individual bio-digesters is used for the daily life of the residence in rural area. The electricity generated by two biogas projects would be fed into the grid. The biomass stoves provides thermal energy for cooking and heating for the rural inhabitants. Therefore,

$$E_{\text{outputs}} = E_{\text{output, biogas}} + E_{\text{output, elec.}} + E_{\text{output, thermal}}$$

Where,

E_{outputs} = Energy outputs of the program (MJ/a)

$E_{\text{output, biogas}}$ = Energy outputs from biogas (MJ/a)

$E_{\text{output, elec.}}$ = Energy outputs from electricity generated by biogas project (MJ/a)

$E_{\text{output, thermal}}$ = Energy outputs from thermal use of biomass stoves (MJ/a)

Energy outputs from biogas

It is the initial object to produce biogas as a substitute of fossil fuel in rural areas. According with the survey results, the average amount of biogas production per biogas digester is 4,268m³ annual. Therefore,

$$E_{\text{output, biogas}} = N * P * NCV_{\text{biogas}}$$

Where,

N = Number of household-use of bio-digesters (21362)

P = Annual biogas produce for one digester (4,268m³)

NCV_{biogas} = Heating value of biogas (58.500 Kcal/m³, 1 cal=4.18 J)²²

Energy outputs from electricity

The biogas project located in the two livestock farms would generate electricity and feed it into grid. Therefore,

²¹ IPCC 2006, Volume 2, Chapter 1, Table 1.2

²² IPCC 2006, Volume 2, Chapter 1, Table 1.2

$$E_{\text{output, elec.}} = P * h * f$$

Where,

P = Total capacity of the two biogas projects (1350 kW)

h = Working hours of the project annual (8232 hours, 24 hours*7days*49weeks)

f = factor (1 MWh=3.6 GJ)

Energy outputs from thermal use of biomass stoves

Although the application of biomass stoves is a pilot project, we also consider it into the energy out. Compared with traditional stove, the efficiency of the improved biomass stove increases from 30% to 90%. Therefore,

$$E_{\text{output, thermal}} = 0.9 * E_{\text{input, biomass}}$$

Where,

$E_{\text{input, biomass}}$ = Energy inputs from renewable biomass use in stoves (MJ/a)

0.9 = Efficiency of the improved biomass stove

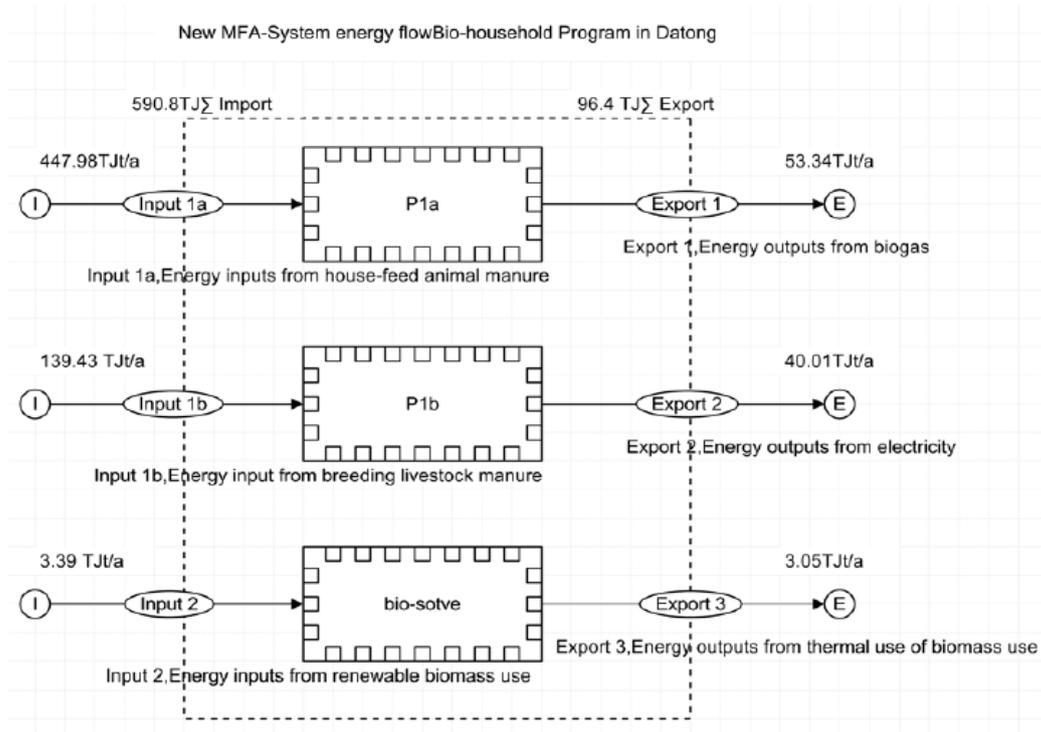
5.2.3 Energy Flow Map

This section complies with STAN tool developed by Institute for water quality, Resources and Waste management of Vienna University of Technology.

Respectively with the calculation of input and output energy, we could draw a clear energy flow map in Chart 15. The total input energy of the program is 590,8 TJ/a and the output is 96,4 TJ/a. The energy exchange rate is 16,32%. Three flow roads are involved in the map, which are the three applications of the program. The energy exchange rate of individual bio-digester is 11,91%. The relevant rate of large scale biogas project is 28,70%. The last, but the highest one is 90% for the biomass stoves. A notable point is that all the input energy comes from renewable energy, which would be wasted in absence of the program. The use of the renewable energy does not only save the energy, but also reduces the GHG emission by the use of fossil fuel and electricity.

However, there should be attention on the energy exchange efficiency, especially in the application of the individual bio-digester. In some samples, the leakage of biogas was obvious. The main reasons are the carelessness of the householder and the lack of technical support.

Chart 15 Energy flow map



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5.3 The Attitudes towards Governance

One broad concept of governance is “the entirety of all co-existing modes of collectively regulating social matter” (Mayntz, 2004, p7). Governance refers to all modes of coordinating action in human society in the extended perspective (Risse and Lehmkuhl, 2006, p66). Conceiving governance in this way, one can apply the concept to states, organizations, firms and other social units. The definition of governance is also given according with the different focus of attention. Derwent and Jones (1996, p65) defined the governance as the relationship between shareholders and their companies and the way in which shareholders act to encourage best practice. Parkinson (1994, p59) focused the process of supervision and control intended to ensure that company’s management acts in accordance with the interests of shareholders. The definition is also re-recognized with the development of the economic and the society. The empirical definition of governance focused on the conflicts of interest between manager and owners, and now the owners have been extended to a wide range of stakeholders (Weston, et al, 2004, p583). Government at the various administrative levels is the initiator of the program. It also is the biggest financial supporter and the technical services provider. One may

therefore expect a highly positive reputation of government among those supported by the BHP.

5.3.1 The Meaning of Governance in China

In the context of this research governance is defined by the author as the policy-making and public management by government. Governance and Administration are both used to describe the governments' activities in China²³. Why is Governance preferred in this thesis? Generally speaking, public management or public administration, no matter in which political system, have the tendency to operate in a top-down manner. The role of government in the BHP is the guider, rather than the administrator. The success of the program relies on the quality of inter-action between the stakeholders, i.e. governments, private companies, individuals. In additions, the management in the BHP is eligible for the characteristics of the notion of accountability, corporate profitability and social responsibility, abstracted by Solomon (2007, p14-15) as governance in future. Maybe, the governance does not work so well now. It is a hope that the governance could be improved to fit these three characteristics.

According the classification of governance by Risse and Lehmkuhl (see table 10), Chinese governance is a classic hierarchical (top-down) structure which is changing gradually. The self-governance at the village (cun) level has already been achieved. The original legal foundation for this can be traced to article 111 of the 1982 Constitution which provided for the establishment of village committees and specified that the residents elect the chairman and members of each committee (Su and Yang, 2005, p125-157). From 1998, self-governance and election in the village level are populated in the overall scale of China. With respect of actors involved, since the reform and open of china in 1978, more and more private actors are introduced into the economic field. Except some key industries, e.g. energy, nature resources, military manufacture, China has marketized completely. Even some of public

²³ In the English-version website of China's central government, "Governance" and "Administration" are used synonymously (guanli) to describe the governments' management and activities.
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services are provided by private sectors, e.g. water supply and waste water treatment, solid waste treatment, public transportation, etc. Market-oriented economy structure and urban governance system have been formed (Wu, 2001, p1071-1093).

Table 10 Modes of Governance

Modes of Coordinating action	Actors involved		
	State actors	State and non-state actors	Non-state actors
Hierarchical/ Vertical steering	Classic nation-state Supranational institutions/Jurisdiction	Delegation of public tasks to non-state actors or public contractors	Pre-state associations
Non-hierarchical/ Horizontal steering	International cooperation International regimes/organizations International negotiations	Public-private modes of cooperation partnership projects Indigenous collaboration Colonial regimes	Cooperation between non-state actors Private regimes (Religious) networks Colonial agencies

Sources: Risse and Lehmkuhl, 2006, p66

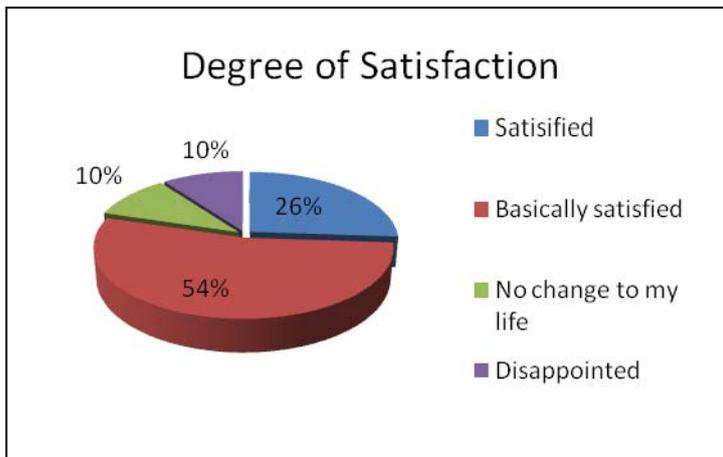
As a hierarchical governance system, the attitude of farmer towards the governance in this program seems important and easy to be neglected. This sector analysis these attitude through the interviews and try to find some valuable issues.

5.3.2 Awareness & Information Sector

Awareness is a very important hypothesis that could motivate and stimulate the biogas user to tap the 100% potential. In the sector of awareness and information, the author tries to find out the awareness about the use of biogas and clean energy. Although the BHP is oriented by government to solve the energy problem, environmental problem and health problem in rural area, farmers should be able to get all the means of the program.

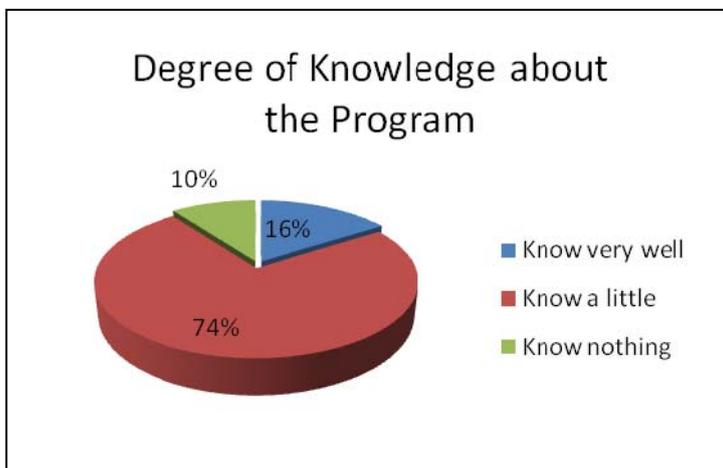
How would you evaluate the Biogas-household program?

About the satisfaction degree towards the BHP, 26% of interviewees feel satisfied about this program. 54% evaluate this program basically satisfied and need some improvement. In contrast, 10% interviewees feel disappointed about this program. The rest part of 10% of respondents told the auditor that the project brings no change for them. In most disappointed case, the reason is that the biogas digester can not generate enough biogas, sometimes, even hard to start fire. A valuable point is that, 3 interviewees among 7 who are frustrated by the project got 100% finance from governments for the digester.



How much do you know the Biogas-household program in China?

The BHP can not only bring economic benefit to farmers, but also great ecological value. This question tries to find out how deep the farmers get known the program. A assumption is that If the interviewees only know the use of biogas can save the use of fuel and decrease the life cost, we supposed they know nothing about the program. If they get known the program can bring the health and environmental value, we believe they know a little about the program. The interviewees who know the program could bring ecological benefit and mitigate the greenhouse effect are considered as “know very well”. Finally, 10% of the interviewees know nothing about the program. 74% know a little. The rest 16% know the program very well.

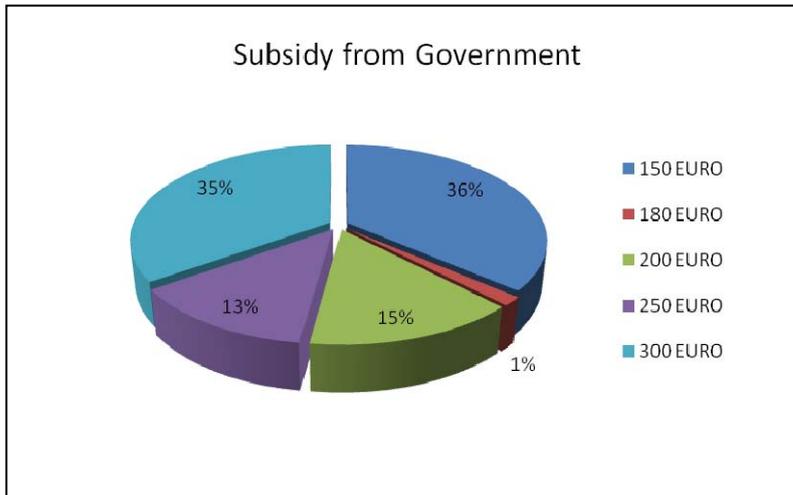


5.3.3 Financial & Economic Sector

In this sector, four questions are asked towards the farmers: the subsidy from government and its form, and the importance of the government subsidy, the form of the portion of self-finance.

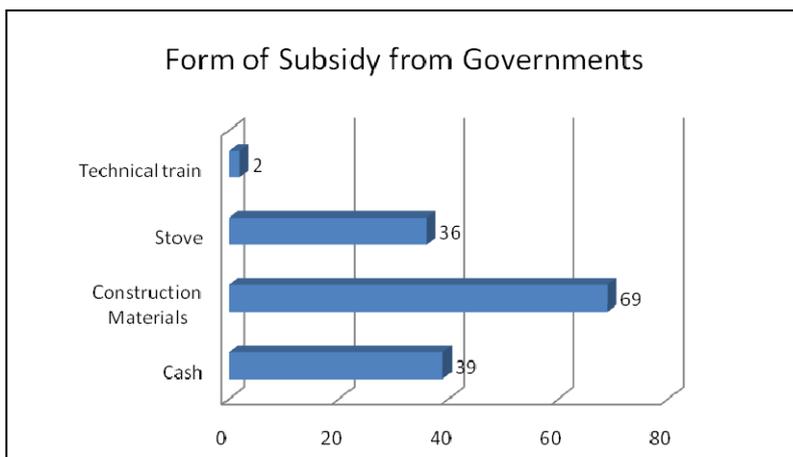
How much did you get from governments as subsidy for the Biogas-household program?

In according with different cuns, 35% of biogas digesters are provided free by governments. 13% get finance of EUR 250 which could cover 83.3% of total cost. 15% get EUR 200 from governments. The smallest amount of finance is EUR150, which can cover the half of the cost.



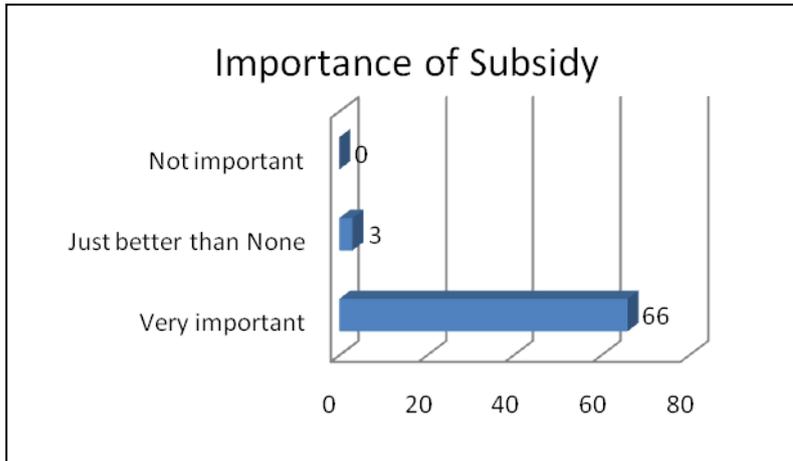
What are the constituent of the subsidy?

The forms of these subsidies are quite diversified. Normally, portfolios of subsidies are provided with cash, construction material, stove and sometimes with technical train. As the main form of subsidies, every respondent do get construction materials, e.g. bricks and cements. In some rich cuns, cash or biogas stove are provided as a supplementation. Only two of the farmers are chosen to take a train workshop. The important issue is the biogas digester belonged to above two farmers can work with a full capacity, which is scarce.



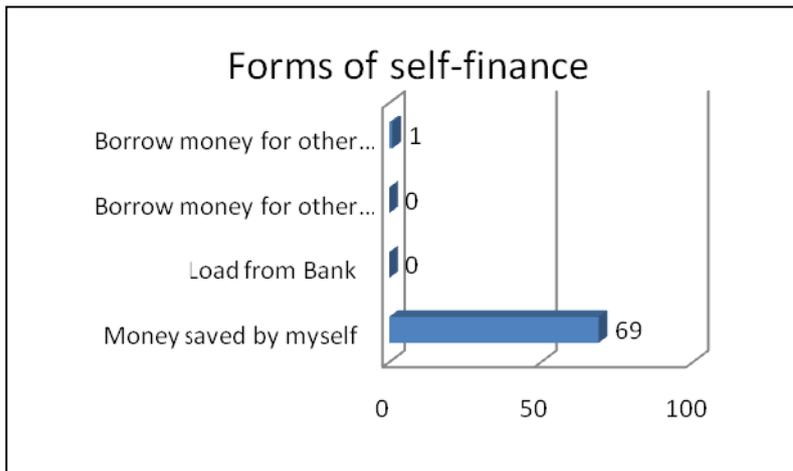
Is the subsidy important?

There are three options provided for this question. 66 of the interviewees think the subsidy is very important, and the rest 3 respondents think the subsidy is “just better than none”. Nobody considers the subsidy is not important. The 3 farmers who think the subsidy is just better than nothing live in the richest Xiang of Datong Xian.



How do you get finance for the rest part of the cost of biogas plant?

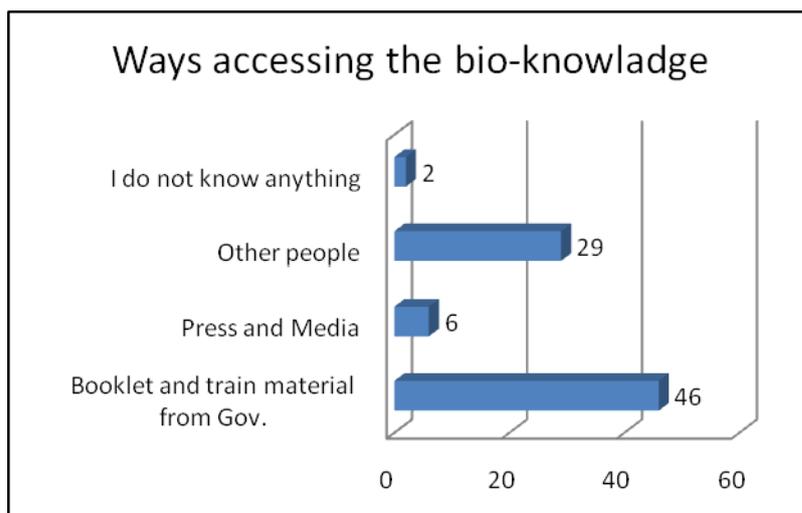
After economist Muhammad Yunus and his Grameen Bank are awarded the Nobel Peace Prize, more and more researchers try to introduce the concept of microfinance into the rural area in developing countries. In this sector, the functions of self-finance are investigated. Except one of the interviewee get part of the expense from his friend, everyone pay from the saved money.



5.3.4 Technological Sector

The technical support is the key factor to decide the success of the BHP. To guarantee the quality, on the one hand, the government provides uniform construction code and drawing of household-use biogas digester, on the other hand, only the designed entities and technician with licenses could implement the projects. In addition, about 1000 DVDs, 10000 booklets and 10000 posters about the operation and management of digesters are provided to biogas-user free.

During the implementation of Biogas-household program, where did you obtain knowledge and technology referred to biogas and operation?



Booklets and train materials from governments are the main channels through which farmer can access the information and knowledge about the bio-issues. Helps from friends or neighbours in the same village (cun) are the second most important channel. 6 of interviewees get relative knowledge from TV and newspaper, which mainly oriented by governments. 2 of interviewees do not know anything about the biogas issues. They are also 2 among several householders whose biogas digester can not generate any biogas.

An essay question is set to get the open ideas about the perspective of next phase of Biogas-household program

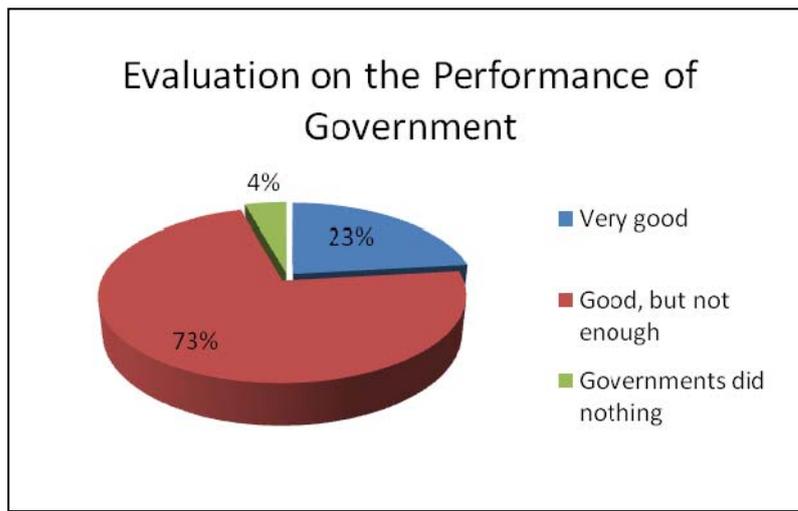
Although most of the interviewees believe the bio-program bring benefit, some of them show us their perspectives about the technical issue. The most frequent problems which farmers face are that, the biogas produce capacity is low and not enough to use, bio-digester in winter works bad. These two problems are common difficulty in the field of household-use biogas digester, rather than the personal behaviours or the construction quality.

5.3.5 Institutional & Political Sector

All governments have responsibilities to provide best public service. Different with the biogas program in other countries cooperating with international and/or internal NGOs and partly financed by foreign governmental subsidy, the BHP in rural China is oriented by governments 100%. This question requires interviewees to evaluate the governments for their performance during the implementation of the program.

What kind of role does the government play in Biogas-household program, in your mind?

As one of four programs which target to sustainable development in rural area, national government of China pays huge revenue and attention on this program. Now, let's give a mark to governments. Results show that 23% of interviewees give a good mark. 73% of interviewees think governments do well, but not enough. 4% of the interviewees think governments did nothing. It is interesting to note that three farmers who evaluate governance poor get half finance for their bio-digester, but the bio-digester can not produce any biogas.



5.4 Cost-efficiency Analysis of Governance

The original modern discussion of efficiency measurement dates back to Farrell (1957), who identified two different types of inefficiency: technical inefficiency and allocative inefficiency. The former means people/organization/government could use more input than technically required to obtain a given level of output. The latter means they could use a sub-optimal input combination given the input prices and their marginal productivities (Farrell, 1957, p253-290). In the past decades, numerous techniques and concepts have been developed.

Technical inefficiency measures the pure relation between inputs and outputs taking the production possibility frontier into account. Allocative efficiency reflects the link between the optimal combination of input taking into account cost and benefits and the output achieved (Mandl, et al, 2008, p4). The parametric approach assumes a specific functional form for the relationship between the inputs and the outputs as well as for the inefficiency term incorporated in the deviation of the observed values from the frontier. The non-parametric approach calculates the frontier directly from the data without imposing specific functional restrictions (Herrera and Pang, 2005,

p5). The respectively cases in table 11 presents the way in which different approaches are applied.

Table 11 Applications of efficiency measurement

	<i>Technical inefficiency</i>	<i>Allocative inefficiency</i>
Parametric (stochastic) approach	WHO's panel data (Greens, 2003)	The effectiveness of public spending in EU members (Mandl, 2008)
Non-parametric (deterministic) approach	The efficiency of public spending in developing countries (Herrera and Pang, 2005)	Efficiency of disaggregate public capital provision in Japan (Ihori, 2000)

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This section aims to find out the most important indicator which relates with the satisfaction degree of farmers. The satisfaction of the bio-digesters holders should be the ultimate target of governance. At the same time, governance should take care about the cost of implementation of the program, including the monetary cost and other cost.

Till now, the government subsidy is spent in two functions, the direct subsidy to farmers and firms who build these biogas facilities, and the indirect expense on the technical support. The first one is the main expense. So we choose the amount of subsidy towards each user, the biogas production and the satisfaction degree as three variables to analysis the cost-efficiency of governance.

The analysis in this section applies the SPSS V11.5.

5.4.1 Group Analysis

As a preview of these three variables, we give a brief description of the data base in table 12. Base on the different satisfy degree, the data base could be divided into 4 groups: satisfied, basically satisfied, no change to my life and disappointed. These four different satisfaction degrees are set as 1, 0.75, 0.5, 0.25. A group analysis shows that the interviewee who feel disappointed with the program have received 235,7 average as subsidy. But their bio-digester could only produce 0,86 m³ biogas. The ground with the idea of no change has received EUR 232,8 average from government. Their bio-digester production is poor too, 2 m³ biogas. The group evaluating the program as basic satisfied gets average EUR 214,9 as subsidy. Their bio-digester production is poor too, 4,93 m³ biogas. The group that feels satisfied

with the program can get 5,44 m³ biogas every day. They get finance of EUR 230,5 from government.

For the total sample, interviewees get subsidy of EUR 222,9 from government and their bio-digesters could produce 4,35 m³ biogas averagely.

Table 12 Group analysis

		Report	
SATISFIY		BIOGAS	SUBSIDY
.25	Mean	.8571	2357.143
	N	7	7
	Minimum	.00	1500.00
	Maximum	2.00	3000.00
	% of Total N	10.1%	10.1%
.50	Mean	2.0000	2328.571
	N	7	7
	Minimum	.00	1500.00
	Maximum	4.00	3000.00
	% of Total N	10.1%	10.1%
.75	Mean	4.9324	2148.649
	N	37	37
	Minimum	.00	1500.00
	Maximum	7.00	3000.00
	% of Total N	53.6%	53.6%
1.00	Mean	5.4444	2305.556
	N	18	18
	Minimum	3.00	1500.00
	Maximum	7.00	3000.00
	% of Total N	26.1%	26.1%
Total	Mean	4.3551	2228.986
	N	69	69
	Minimum	.00	1500.00
	Maximum	7.00	3000.00
	% of Total N	100.0%	100.0%

5.4.2 Correlation Analysis

Now, we analysis the correlations between satisfaction degree and the subsidy, and the satisfaction degree and the biogas produce situation. The Bivariate analysis tool is applied here.

5.4.2.1 Correlation between Satisfaction Degree and the Amount of Subsidy

Based on the analysis result in table 13, the 2-tailed pearson correlations are both - 0,028 and P-value is 0,816. It means there is not any notable correlation between the

satisfaction degree and the amount of subsidy. This point could also be proved by some facts, e.g. 3 interviewees among 7 who are frustrated by the project got 100% finance from governments for the digesters.

Table 13 Correlation analysis 1

		Satisfy degree	Amount of subsidy
Satisfy degree	Pearson Correlation	1	-.028
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.	.816
	N	69	69
Amount of subsidy	Pearson Correlation	-.028	1
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.816	.
	N	69	69

5.4.2.2 Correlation between Satisfaction Degree and the Biogas Production

Based on the analysis result in table 14, the 2-tailed pearson correlators between the satisfaction degree and biogas production are both 0.741 and $P < 0,001$ in a confidence level of 99%. It is a believable evidence to show the correlation between them. The result also could be confirmed by the result of group analysis.

The group with an attitude of satisfaction has the biogas produce of 5,44 m³ /day biogas which is the highest among the four groups. They get subsidy of EUR 230,5 from government without an obvious difference with other group.

Table 14 Correlation analysis 2

		Satisfy degree	Biogas generation
Satisfy degree	Pearson Correlation	1	.741*
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.	.000
	N	69	69
Amount of subsidy	Pearson Correlation	.741*	1
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.000	.
	N	69	69

6 Conclusion and Outlook

GHG Emission Reduction by BHP in 2010

According to the "Action plan for Biogas-household program in rural area of Datong (2006-2010)", 70,000 individual bio-digesters and about 10 large and medium scale biogas projects will be in operation by the end of 2010. Furthermore 10,000 biomass stoves, improved kang²⁴ and various types of solar technology applications will also be financed in the rural areas with help of this program. The reason for the enlarged scope of activities is the fact that national subsidies are allocated in combination with provincial and local government subsidies (配套资金). Thus flexibility is guaranteed to adopt the general policy to the specific local conditions.

The three types of new technologies supported by the BHP have achieved their goals in the perspective of economic and ecological development. Following the government estimates farmers in Datong are expected to save EUR 5,346 mil by the use of biogas digesters in 2007 (Datong Municipality's Bureau of Agriculture, 2007). Following the calculation of this thesis the GHG emission reduction of the BHP lies in the range of 270,000 tCO₂e in 2007. This number will increase to approximately 1,041 mil tCO₂e by 2010. It equals the GHG emission of 2 fossil fuel power stations with a generation of 60 MW²⁵. It also equals the GHG emission by the combustion of 0,525 mio t of brown coal briquettes²⁶. It is also equivalent to the annual carbon-stock capacity of 236 km² of eucalyptus plantation²⁷.

GHG Emissions Control under a Decentralized Framework

A designed GHG emission control structure should involve point and non-point polluters. Point pollution includes highly localized and large scale GHG emission sources e.g. thermal power stations, factories and big livestock farms. Non-point

²⁴ A kang is a traditional heating facility in the living room of rural farm house which is used as bed in night time and as sofa in day time.

²⁵ Till Aug. 9th, 2007, China DNA indicates that Electricity Grid Emission factor is 0,97455 tCO₂/kWh. www.cdm.ccchina.gov.cn

²⁶ The net calorie value of brown coal briquettes is 20.7 TJ/Gg; and its CO₂ emission factor is 97500 kg CO₂/TJ.

²⁷ The calculation bases on the Equation 2.9, table 4.3 and 4.11 in Volume 4, chapter 2 of IPCC 2006.

GHG emission would include all decentralized emissions caused by human activities, e.g. daily cooking and heating, fugitive emissions during the agricultural production and transfer, emissions from wastewater treatment facilities and waste handling processes, animal and human excreta, etc. Although the amount of non-point emissions is not as high as point GHG emissions, their collection and treatment may be more difficult and possibly (when using centralized treatment facilities) more expensive. Decentralized pollution-control measures proved to be effective and successful. Considerable research has been devoted to the control non-point pollution in the field of wastewater treatment. The decentralized wastewater management based on small units shows excellent environmental benefits (Crites & Tchobanoglous, 1998). In the dimension of GHG emission control, the CDM Executive Board of UNFCCC is promoting the CDM projects especially in developing countries, which are believed to hold the biggest potential for future GHG emissions.

Cost-efficiency of Governance in the Implementation of BHP

Good governance should always seek for the cost-efficiency, which means minimum investment to access maximum satisfaction from its voter. The role of government subsidies should be the stimulus and guide which can lead farmers to the path of clean-energy use. In accordance with the cost-efficiency analysis in chapter 5, the results show that farmers take care about the biogas produce more than the amount of subsidy. The subsidy is important to attract and motivate farmers to set biogas digesters, but once it is over a marginal point, the farmers would not care about the detailed amount of subsidy any more. The marginal point of proportion between subsidy and construction cost of biogas digester should vary in different xiang or cun, depending the economic situation. The richer xiang or cun gets fewer subsidies.

The thesis suggests that part revenue saved from subsidy could be used to develop the service system of the BHP. Lots of interviewees expressed strong wishes to improve the technological service and increase the biogas produce. If this result is viewed with a boarder background it makes more senses. First, since the national government cancelled lots of taxes and charges to release the burden of farmers and agriculture industry, the local governments, especially the governments in the level of xiangs and cuns, have very poor revenue. Second, although a framework of technical support has been built, it seems to work badly. The reason is mainly that the biogas users have not got used to pay for technical service and the revenue towards these service stations is not enough to keep the service run regularly. Since it is difficult to change the behaviours of the farmers and there is not enough revenue for the

technical service system in a short time, there is a need to decrease the subsidy to individual biogas digester and use the saved revenue to develop the technical service system.

A long-term evaluation towards the satisfaction and feedback from biogas users should be inducted in the evaluation and monitoring system. Currently, there is only quantity checking and inspection, which care about the “hard” aspects more than the “soft” aspects.

Recommendations for the Improved PPP

Many researchers are encouraged by the tendency from public-private partnership (PPP) to market under the Kyoto Protocol framework in the field of GHG emission reduction, e.g. Benecks, 2008, Esty, 2002. But marketization can not solve all problems in the process of adoption of climate change because of two reasons. First, the Kyoto framework is not able to cover all the projects which could mitigate the climate change and its pipeline is very narrow in global scale and is suffered heavily from bureaucratic burdens. Secondary, lots of programs are not economically attractive even with the finance help from CERs.

The results of the study showed that two private companies have registered to provide bio-technology service in Datong. The local government has also considered the possibility of CDM. However, without a good predicted return, the help from marketization or private sectors will not come. In this situation, improved PPP is recommended.

With the saved finance from subsidy sector, government should pay more attentions on the technical service. First, the technical service system should be completed by the measures of training technicians and allocating basic equipments and tools. Secondary, some NGOs and environmental organizations in local college who are interested in the anti-poverty or adoption of climate change issues should be supported. Take these earth-friendly clubs in college as example, these students have good environmental background and glad to get some working experience for their job seeking in future. Third, a co-ordination team within the biogas users should be set. As the results of the survey show, 29 of the interviewees get their bio-knowledge from their friends or neighbours, which is the second important way to get the knowledge. So the guide towards the self-help is an available option for the improved PPP in the level of communities.

Technology Development

The energy flow analysis shows clearly that the energy exchange efficiency of the BHP is low 16.32 %. The exchange efficiency of individual biogas digesters is 11.91%. Although the size effect of small biogas application is negative, it is indubitable that the technology and quality need to develop. For these householders who feed amount of livestock, the uniform 8 m³ biogas digester is not sufficient. They can not afford a tailor-made biogas design service from private company, because their feed capacities are not as big as the livestock farms. For these median-size householders, government should provide more options, e.g. the standard 10 m³ or bigger biogas digester.

Except householders in some demonstration villages, most have no opportunities to get a face-to-face train. The bullet and oral teaching from friends are the main channels to obtain the biogas knowledge, which are not sufficient during the operation. A framework of service system of the BHP has been set in Datong, but it does not work well. The main reasons are the finance limitation and ignorance from governments. The saved money from the proper subsidy could fill the finance gap. The improved evaluation system could force local government to pay more attention on the quality, rather quantity.

Contribution to Urban Area

China is facing fast urbanization and immigration, which brings a heavy burden on the fragile eco-system of China. It is proved that the BHP is able to reduce the life cost and improve the life quality of the farmers. The BHP is one part of a huge portfolio "New Rural in China". The portfolio includes road and TV signal connection to every cun (village), development of small hydro power stations, biogas-household program, modern agriculture etc. The targets of the portfolio are the sustainable development in rural, better live condition in rural area and decrease of gap between urban and rural.

If the environment and life quality are acceptable, farmers might prefer the living in countryside. All of these ecological and economical benefits are eligible to attract farmers to live in rural area and mitigate the pressure of urbanization. Besides, the saved energy by BHP would release the pressure of energy supply in China. The BHP can also contribute to water quality of urban area, as it consumes manure which would pollute the water body and the urban area is always in the downstream of rural area.

Cognitive Enhancement

“Even small improvements in general cognitive capacities can have important positive effect” (Bostrom, 2007, p3). Respectively with the survey result, most of interviewees (76%) know some basic ideas about the economic and ecological benefit from the biogas use. 10% of the interviewees considered the BHP as a way to save the money from the fuel use. In case that the price of coal or other fuels is low, the use of biogas would not be an attractive solution.

Cognitive enhancement of the biogas-use would be a huge and comprehensive program. Climate change will affect everyone around the world, no matter rich or poor. An over-view perspective of mitigating climate change and reducing GHG emission should be instilled into every social sector with the endeavour of governments and all the social participants. Low-carbon society needs a long process to be built, but if we do not start now, it would never come.

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Annex 1: Multiples

Value	Symbol	Name
10^3	K	Kilo-
10^6	M	Mega-
10^9	G	Giga-
10^{12}	T	Tera-

Annex 2: Calculation Sheet

National Biogas-household Program in China (Datong)						
Category 1 For individual household						
Source: GHG recovery in agricultural activities ties at household/small farm level						
	Parameter	Unit	Value	Description	Calculation	Reference
Baseline Emission	BE_{CH_4}	TCO ₂ e	0	Baseline emission	$GWP * \sum EFT * NT / 103$	2006 IPCC volume 4 chapter 10 P10.37 Equation10.22
	GWP_{CH_4}		21	Global warming potential for CH ₄		
	EF_T	kg CO ₂ /head/year	9	emission factor for Cow,		2006 IPCC volume 4 chapter 10 table 10.14, table 10.15
	N_T	head	0	the number of head of Cow		
	EF_T	kg CO ₂ /head/year	1	emission factor for Horse,		
	N_T	head	0	the number of head of Horse		
	EF_T	kg CO ₂ /head/year	2	emission factor for Swine,		
	N_T	head	0	the number of head of Swine		
	EF_T	kg CO ₂ /head/year	0.1	emission factor for Sheep,		

	N _T	head	0	the number of head of Sheep		
	EF _T	kg CO2/head/year	0.01	emission factor for Poultry,		
	N _T	head	0	the number of head of Poultry		The average life time of Poultry is 9 month. Farmer feed poultry in the circle of one year once.
Program emission	PE	TCO2e	0	Project emission	PE _{leakage} +PE _{power,y}	
	PE _{leakage}	TCO2e	0	Project emission from physical leakages	LF _{AD} * [GWP _{CH4} * D _{CH4} * Bo * VS _{m,y}]/1000	ASM III R: Methane recovery in agricultural activities at household/small farm level: Project Emission
	GWP _{CH4}		21	Global warming potential for CH4		
	D _{CH4}		0.67	Conversion factor of m3 CH4 to kilogram CH4(CH4 density)		table 10A-8 of 2006 IPCC Guidelines for National Greenhouse Gas Inventories, Volume 4, and Chapter 10.
	Bo	m3 CH4 per kg of dm by Cow	0.13	Maximum methane producing potential of the manure type treated in the biogas digesters		table 10A4-9 of 2006 IPCC Guidelines for National Greenhouse Gas Inventories, Volume 4, and Chapter 11.
	VS	kg of dm per year	0	Annual amount of volatile solids treated in the biogas digesters on dry matterweight basis		
	Bo	m3 CH4 per kg of dm by Horse	0.1	Maximum methane producing potential of the manure type treated in the biogas digesters		
	VS	kg of dm per year	0	Annual amount of volatile solids treated in the biogas digesters on dry matter weight basis		

	Bo	m ³ CH ₄ per kg of dm by Swine	0.29	Maximum methane producing potential of the manure type treated in the biogas digesters		
	VS	kg of dm per year	0	Annual amount of volatile solids treated in the biogas digesters on dry matter weight basis		
	Bo	m ³ CH ₄ per kg of dm by Sheep	0.13	Maximum methane producing potential of the manure type treated in the biogas digesters		table 10A-9 of 2006 IPCC Guidelines for National Greenhouse Gas Inventories, Volume 4, and Chapter 10.
	VS	kg of dm per year	0	Annual amount of volatile solids treated in the biogas digesters on dry matter weight basis		
	Bo	m ³ CH ₄ per kg of dm by Poultry	0.36	Maximum methane producing potential of the manure type treated in the biogas digesters		
	VS	kg of dm per year	0	Annual amount of volatile solids treated in the biogas digesters on dry matter weight basis		
	LF _{AD}		0	fraction of Leakage emission from anaerobic digesters		
	PE _{power,y}	TCO ₂ e	0	Emission from the use of fossil fuel or electricity for the operation of the installed facilities		
Emission Reduction	ER	TCO ₂ e	0	GHG emission reduction caused by this source	BE-PE	

National Biogas-household Program in China (Datong)						
Category 1 For individual household						
Source: Landfill GHG recovery						
	Parameter	Unit	Value	Description	Calculation	Reference
Baseline Emission	BE	tCO2	0	Baseline emission	$\phi*(1-f)GWP_{CH4}*(1-OX)*16/12*F*DOC_f*M$ $CF*\sum W_{j,x}*DOC_j*e^{-kj*(y-x)}*(1-e^{-kj})$	Methodological Tools for SSC: Tool to determine methane emissions avoided from dumping waste at a solid waste disposal site
	j		0.9	Model correction factor to account for model uncertainties		
	f		0%	Fraction of methane captured at the SWDS and flared, combusted or used in another manner		
	GWP _{CH4}		21	Global warming potential of methane		
	OX		0	Oxidation factor (reflecting the amount of methane from SWDS that is oxidized in the soil or other material covering the waste)		unmanaged waste disposal point: 0
	F		0.5	Fraction of methane in the SWDS gas		
	DOC _f		0.5	Fraction of degradable organic carbon that can decompose		
	MCF		0.4	Methane correction factor		Un-management-shallow waste disposal point

	$W_{j,x}$	Tons	0	Amount of organic waste type j prevented from disposal in the SWDS in the year x		
	DOC_j		0.15	Fraction of degradable organic carbon(by weight) in the waste type j		temp<20.C MAP/PET<1
	K_j		0.06	Decay rate for the waste type j		
	x		20	Year during the crediting period: X runs from the first year of the first crediting period(x=1) to the year y for which avoided emissions are calculated (x=y)		
	y		1	year for which methane emissions are calculated		
Program Emission	PE		0	Program emission	$PE_{power,y}$	
	$PE_{power,y}$		0	Emission from the use of fossil fuel or electricity for the operation of the installed facilities		o in rural area
Emission Reduction			0	GHG emission reduction caused by this source	BE-PE	

National Biogas-household Program in China (Datong)

Category 1 For individual household

Source: GHG recovery in human excreta management system						
	Parameter	Unit	Value	Description	Calculation	Reference
Baseline Emission	BE	tCO2	0	Baseline emission	$\sum(U_i \cdot T_{ij} \cdot EF_j)(TOW - S) - R$	2006 IPCC volume 5 chapter 6 Equation 6.1
	TOW	kg/BOD/year	0	total organics in wastewater	$P \cdot BOD \cdot 0.001 \cdot I \cdot 365$	
	S	kg/BOD/year	0	organic component removed as sludge		
	U_i		1	fraction of population in income group i		
	T_{ij}		0.5	degree of utilization of treatment/discharge system		2006 IPCC volume 5 chapter 6 Table 6.5
	EF	kgCH ₄ /kgBOD	0.3	Emission factor	$Bo \cdot MCF$	
	R	kgCH ₄ /yr	0	Amount of CH ₄ recovered		
	Bo	kgCH ₄ /kgBOD	0.6	Maximum CH ₄ producing capacity		2006 IPCC volume 5 chapter 6 Table 6.2
	MCF		0.5	Methane correction factor		2007 IPCC volume 5 chapter 6 Table 6.3
	P		0	population involved in the boundary		
	BOD	g/peoson/day	40	per capita BOD inside the boundary		2007 IPCC volume 5 chapter 6 Table 6.4
	I		1	Correction factor for additional input		
Program Emission	PE		0	Program emission		

Emission Reduction			0	GHG emission reduction caused by this source	BE-PE	
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National Biogas-household Program in China (Datong)						
Category 1 For individual household						
Source: Thermal energy for the user with or without electricity						
	Parameter	Unit	Value	Description	Calculation	Reference
Baseline Emission	BE	tCO2	0	Baseline emission	$BE_{fuel} + BE_{elec.}$	The category comprises Biogas that supplies individual households or users with the renewable energy to replace fossil fuels. (CDM SSC TYPE I C)
	$BE_{elec.}$	tCO2	0	Emission from the electricity consume		$Q * EF / 1000$
	Q	KWh	0	Quantity of electricity consume		
	EF	kgCO2/KWh	0.79734	Emission factor of electricity		Chinese DNA's Guideline of Emission Factor of Chinese Electricity Grid
	BE_{fuel}	tCO2	0	Emission from the fuel consume, biomass, coal, LPG(liquefied petroleum gas)...		$\sum Q_{fuel,i} * EF_i / E_i$
	$Q_{fuel,coal}$	kg	0	Quantity of fuel type i consume		
	EF	kg CO2/kJ	94.6	Emission factor of coal		IPCC 2006 Volume 2 P1.23 Table1.4
	F	kJ/kg	0.0282	Energy content of coal		IPCC 2006 Volume 2 P1.18 Table1.2
	$E_{coal\ stove}$		0.3	Efficiency of the plant using fuel coal		

	$Q_{\text{fuel,LPG}}$	kg	0	Quantity of fuel type LPG consume		
	EF	kg CO2/kJ	63.1	Emission factor of fuel:LPG		IPCC 2006 Volume 2 P1.23 Table1.4
	F	kJ/kg	0.0473	Energy content of LPG		IPCC 2006 Volume 2 P1.18 Table1.2
	$E_{\text{LPG stove}}$		0.9	Efficiency of the plant using fuel LPG		
	$Q_{\text{fuel,wood}}$	kg	0	Quantity of fuel wood consume		
	EF	kg CO2/kJ	112	Emission factor of fuel: wood		IPCC 2006 Volume 2 P1.23 Table1.4
	F	kJ/kg	0.0156	Energy content of coal		IPCC 2006 Volume 2 P1.18 Table1.2
	$E_{\text{wood stove}}$		0.3	Efficiency of the plant using fuel: wood		
Program Emission	PE		0	Program emission		
Emission Reduction			0	GHG emission reduction caused by this source	BE-PE	

National Biogas-household Program in China (Datong)

Category 1 For individual household

Source: Non-CO2 GHG emission from biomass burning

	Parameter	Unit	Value	Description	Calculation	Reference
Baseline Emission	BE_{CH_4}	tCO2	0	Baseline emission of CH4	$GWP_{\text{CO}_2} \cdot A \cdot MB \cdot C_f \cdot Ge_f \cdot 10^{-3}$	CH4 emission from the biomass burning at the crop-land

						(Volume 4, 5.2.4 & Equation 2.27, IPCC Inventory)
CH ₄	MB	T/ha	0	mass of fuel available for combustion		(wheat residues 4.0; Maize residues 10.0; rice residues 5.5; sugarcane 6.5 chapter 2 Table 2.4)
	GWP _{CH4}		21	Global warming potential for N ₂ O		
	A	ha		area burnt		
	C _r		0.9	combustion factor		
	Ge _r	G/kg dry matter burnt	2.7	emission factor		
Program Emission	PE		0	Program emission		
Emission Reduction			0	GHG emission reduction caused by this source	BE-PE	

National Biogas-household Program in China (Datong)						
Category 2 For large scale biogas digester						
Source: Methane recovery in animal manure management system						
	Parameter	Unit	Value	Description	Calculation	Reference
Baseline Emission	BE _{CH4}	tCO2	0	Baseline emission of CH4	$GWP_{CH4} * D_{CH4} * U_{F_b} * \sum MCF_j * B_{0,LT} * N_{LT,y} * VS_{LT,y} * MS\%_{BI,j}$	ASM III D: Methane recovery in animal manure management systems

	GWP_{CH_4}		21	Global warming potential		
	D_{CH_4}	t/m ³	0.00067	CH ₄ density		
	MCF _j		0.66	Annual CH ₄ conversion factor for the baseline animal waste management system		2006 IPCC volume 4 chapter 10 table 10.17
	$B_{0,LT}$		0.13	Maximum CH ₄ producing potential of VS generated for Cow		
	$N_{LT,y}$		0	Annual average number of animal of Dairy Cow		
	$VS_{LT,y}$	a dry matter weight basis, kg dm/animal/year	102.2	Volatile solid for Dairy Cow entering the animal manure management system		
	$B_{0,LT}$		0.29	Maximum CH ₄ producing potential of VS generated for Swine		
	$N_{LT,y}$		0	Annual average number of Market Swine		Life time is 4.5 month.
	$VS_{LT,y}$	a dry matter weight basis, kg dm/animal/year	109.5	Volatile solid for Swine entering the animal manure management system in year "y"		
	$MS\%_{Bl,j}$		100%	Fraction of manure handle in baseline animal manure management system		
	UF_b		0.94	model correction factor to account for model uncertainties		

Program Emission	PE	tCO2	0	Program emission	$PE_{PL,y} + PE_{flare,y} + PE_{power,y}$	
	$PE_{PL,y}$	tCO2	0	Program emission due to the physical leakage	$LF_{AD} * GWP_{CH4} * D_{CH4} * \sum B_{0,LT} * N_{LT,y} * VS_{LT,y} * MS\%_{BI,j}$	
	LF_{AD}		0.1	fraction of Leakage emission from anaerobic digesters		Default value
	GWP_{CH4}		21	Global warming potential		
	D_{CH4}	t/m3	0.00067	CH4 density		
	$B_{0,LT}$		0.13	Maximum CH4 producing potential of VS generated for Cow		
	$N_{LT,y}$		0	Annual average number of animal of Dairy Cow		
	$VS_{LT,y}$	a dry matter weight basis, kg dm/animal/year	102.2	Volatile solid for Dairy Cow entering the animal manure management system		
	$B_{0,LT}$		0.29	Maximum CH4 producing potential of VS generated for Swine		
	$N_{LT,y}$		0	Annual average number of Market Swine		Life time is 4.5 month.
	$VS_{LT,y}$	a dry matter weight basis, kg dm/animal/year	109.5	Volatile solid for Swine entering the animal manure management system in year "y"		
	$MS\%_{BI,j}$		100%	Fraction of manure handle in baseline animal manure management system		

	PE _{flare,y}	tCO2	0	emission from flaring or combustion of the biogas stream		
	PE _{power,y}	tCO2	0	emission from the use of fossil fuel or electricity for the operation of the installed facilities		
	Q	KMh				
	CEF _{grid}	kg CO2e/ kWh	2	emission coefficient for electricity consume		
Emission Reduction			0	GHG emission reduction caused by this source	BE-PE	

National Biogas-household Program in China (Datong)						
Category 2 For large scale biogas digester						
Source: Grid connected renewable electricity generation						
	Parameter	Unit	Value	Description	Calculation	Reference
Baseline Emission	BE _{baseline}	tCO2	0	GHG emission caused by elec. production that is replaced by Clean elec.	EP _{bio} * CEF _{grid}	This category comprises biogas working as renewable energy generation that supplies electricity to replace the use of fossil fuel fired generation unit.(CDM SSC TYPE I D)
	EP _{bio}	MWh	0	Electricity produced by the biogas generator unit for grid electricity replacement		
	CEF _{grid}	kg CO2e/ kWh	0.79734	emission coefficient for electricity grid		
	KE _{Yanggao}	kWh	0	Electricity generating capacity of		

				Yanggao		
	KE _{Yubao}	kWh	0	Electricity generating capacity of Yubao		
Program Emission	PE		0	Program emission		
Emission Reduction			0	GHG emission reduction caused by this source	BE-PE	

National Biogas-household Program in China (Datong)						
Category 2 For large scale biogas plant						
Source: Thermal energy for the user with or without electricity						
	Parameter	Unit	Value	Description	Calculation	Reference
Baseline Emission	BE	tCO2	0	Baseline emission	BE _{fuel} +BE _{elec.}	The category comprises Biogas that supplies individual households or users with the renewable energy to replace fossil fuels. (CDM SSC TYPE I C)
	BE _{elec.}	tCO2	0	Emission from the electricity consume	Q*EF/1000	
	Q	KWh	0	Quantity of electricity consume		
	EF	kgCH4/KWh	0.79734	Emission factor of electricity		
	BE _{fuel}	tCO2	0	Emission from the fuel consume, biomass, coal, LPG(liquefied	$\sum Q_{fuel,i} * EF_i / E_i$	

				petroleum gas)...		
	$Q_{fuel,i}$	kg	0	Quantity of fuel type i consume		
	EF	kgCH4/kg	1	Emission factor of fuel type i		
	E_i		0.3	Efficiency of the plant using fuel i		
Program Emission	PE		0	Program emission		
Emission Reduction			0	GHG emission reduction caused by this source		

National Biogas-household Program in China (Datong)

Category 3 For Improved biomass stove

Source: Switch from Non-renewable fuel for thermal application by the user

	Parameter	Unit	Value	Description	Calculation	Reference
	$NCV_{brown\ coal\ briquettes}$	TJ/Gg	20.7	Net calorific value of brown coal briquettes that is substituted		2006 IPCC volume 2 table 1.2
	$EF_{brown\ coal\ briquettes}$	kg CO2/TJ	97500	Effective CO2 emission factor of brown coal briquettes		2006 IPCC volume 2 chapter 2 table 1.4
	N		0	Number of stove		

	B	kg	0	Quantity of coal used in the absence of the project activity annually		about the treatment of biomass, see 2.3.3.4
Emission Reduction	ER	tCO2	0	GHG emission reduction by one stove	$N*B*EF*NCV$	

Annex 3: Questionnaire

1. Basic information

Region: _____ Sex: _____
Family member: _____ The capacity of his/her biogas digester: _____ m³/d
Since when, you start to use biogas: _____

2. Data collection

2.1 What are the energy sources in the absence of Biogas-household program?

How much would they consume?

- A. Coal B. Wood fuel C. LPG(Liquefied Petroleum Gas)
D. Electricity E. Others _____

The amount of these energy consume: _____

2.2 Livestock types and numbers

- A. Chickens B. Swine C. Cows
D. Sheep E. Others _____

The numbers of these livestock: _____

The days that livestock could live: _____

2.3 The amount of waste (food waste, garden waste, et al) that would be used in the biogas digester?

2.4 The amount of biomass used in the biogas digester, which would be combusted after the harvest in the absence of Biogas-household program.

3. Attitudes

3.1 How would you evaluate the Biogas-household program?

- A. satisfied B. basically satisfied C. No change to my life
D. Very Bad if choose D, the reason is _____

3.2 How much do you know the Biogas-household program in China?

- A. I don't know at all. B. Just a little.
C. I know a lot. if choose C, how did you get to know it _____

3.3 In which forms would the subsidy from government arrives your hand?

- A. Cash B. Construction material C. Technological support

D. Others _____

3.4 Is the subsidy important?

A. Yes, very important. B. Just better than none. C. Not important.

If you have something to supplement? _____

3.5 How do you get finance for the rest part of the cost of biogas plant?

A. Money saved by myself B. Loan from bank

C. Borrow money from other people with interest

D. Borrow money from other people without interest E. Others _____

3.7 During the implementation of Biogas-household program, where did you obtain knowledge and technology referred to biogas and operation?

A. From the bullet and train organized by government

B. From books and media C. From other people

D. I have no knowledge about them.

3.8 What kind of role does the government play in Biogas-household program?

A. Very important B. Important, but less than what I expect.

C. I don't think the government makes any sense in this program.

Tell me, in your opinion, where should be improved in the implementation of Biogas-household program?

3.9 Since next 5 years, the national and local government would pay lots of money and energy on Biogas-household program, What is your perspective for this program?

Annex 4: Information of Interviewees

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Methodology				■	■	■					
Survey design				■	■	■	■				
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