Introduction to FaStGO

FaStGO is an abbreviation for Facilitating Standards for Guarantees of Origin.

That in itself is shortening the full title of the FaStGO project, which provides expert advice to the European Commission DG ENER, based on the terms of Reference N° ENER/C1/2019-517: “Technical support for RES policy development & implementation. Establishing technical requirements and facilitating the standardisation process for guarantees of origin on basis of Dir (EU) 2018/2001.”

The project gathers experts from the following organisations, Association of Issuing Bodies, RECS International, European Renewable Gas Registry, Hinicio, European Biogas Association, CertiQ, EEX, Grexel and Gaia, who are working together on the package of tasks mentioned on the next page.

The outcome of the work is an expert report for the different subjects which will include consultation of stakeholder experts from inside and outside the project organisations, but does not necessarily provide a confirmed position by the full member base of the contributing associations, as the project deliverable time schedule is too tight to establish such confirmation.
FaStGO Overview of Tasks

1. Mapping of the currently existing standardisation frameworks
   1.1 Comparison of EN16325 and the EECS Rules with an identification of the main differences
   1.2 Comparison of EN16325 and EECS Rules with the requirements in the Directive (EU) 2018/2001 on guarantees of origin
   1.3 Identification of Challenges in the management of the GO systems

2. Specification of the technical requirements for the extended coverage of GO
   2.1 Development of documentation structures for a revised EN16325 Subtask
   2.2 Developing options for the update of EN16325, taking into account the requirements of RED II on GOs
   2.3 Developing options for the update of EN16325, taking into account the current main challenges for the GO system

3. IT system specifications and the requirements for the associated infrastructure for cross border exchange of GO for all energy carriers
   3.1 Develop a vision for the future IT infrastructure
   3.2 Data protocol for multi-energy / -purpose GO
   3.3 High-level Requirements Specification

4. Systems for EU based market supervision statistics
   4.1 Design of the specifications for statistics published at EU and Member state level
   4.2 Update (and consultation) of the residual mix calculation method

5. Methodologies for enhanced prevention of financial fraud
   5.1 Risks of financial fraud in the European GO markets
   5.2 Measures to prevent financial fraud
   5.3 High-level specification of the GO monitoring system

6. Stakeholder consultation processes
   6.1 Stakeholder consultation strategy
   6.2 Organisation of Stakeholder workshops