



# ALBIOMA

## **Press release**

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## *Albioma announces the sale of its anaerobic digestion business in France to Evergaz*

Biométhanisation Partenaires, a player in anaerobic digestion, joint venture of Evergaz and Meridiam, is strengthening its presence in France by acquiring the Methaneo subsidiary of the Albioma Group, an independent renewable energy producer in thermal biomass and photovoltaics.

With a capacity of 3.2 MWe, the three agricultural anaerobic digestion units (Tiper, Capter and Sainter) operated by Methaneo are located in the French regions of Nouvelle-Aquitaine and the Loire.

For Frederic Moyne, Chief Executive Officer of Albioma: "The three Methaneo units, commissioned since 2013, represent an annual output of around 20 GWh. This level was achieved thanks to the involvement of the teams and the improvements of the industrial processes implemented by Albioma. Today, we are delighted by Evergaz and Meridiam through Biométhanisation Partenaires' stake in Methaneo, which will allow the creation of a key player in the development of the anaerobic digestion sector in France."

With these acquisitions, Evergaz's French portfolio now includes nine anaerobic digestion units, including one under construction. By adding Germany and Belgium, Evergaz now owns and operates 14 biogas plants, for 28 MWe, or 7,000 Nm<sup>3</sup>/ h of biomethane and 626 GWh gross calorific value produced each year. By 2022, Evergaz is aiming for an annual biomethane energy production target of 120 million Nm<sup>3</sup>, an installed capacity of 64 MWe and the processing of more than 1 million tonnes of organic waste per year.

Alain Planchot, Chief Executive Officer of Evergaz said: "These acquisitions are perfectly in line with Evergaz's vision of building a platform of specialised expertise in the ownership and management of biogas plants in France and Europe. Evergaz looks forward to working with the local partners of the three units to ensure that these sites fully meet the economic, environmental and social challenges of the territories in which they operate."

Next on the agenda: annual results for the 2018 financial year, on 8 March 2019 (before trading).



### *About Albioma*

An independent renewable energy producer, Albioma is committed to the energy transition thanks to biomass and photovoltaics.

The Group, which is established in Overseas France, Mauritius and Brazil, has developed a unique partnership for 20 years with the sugar industry, to produce renewable energy from bagasse, a fibrous residue from sugar cane.

Albioma is also the leading generator of photovoltaic power overseas where it constructs and operates innovative projects with integrated storage capabilities.

Albioma shares are listed on NYSE Euronext Paris (sub B) and eligible for the deferred settlement service (SRD) and PEA-PME plans (ISIN FR0000060402 – ticker: ABIO).

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### *About Evergaz*

As an integrated operator specialising in biogas production and usage development, Evergaz develops, owns and operates a portfolio of biogas production plants. Created in 2008 as Holding Verte under the initiative of AQUA, investor-accelerator in the environment and energy sector, Evergaz supports and brings together territorial stakeholders - farmers, industrial companies and public authorities - to provide a sustainable organic waste management and treatment solution while producing green energy as well as a natural fertiliser.

Evergaz intends to develop its biogas plants portfolio in the coming years, to achieve by 2022 an objective of 120 million Nm<sup>3</sup> annual biomethane energy production, 64MWel. installed capacity and the treatment of more than 1 million metric tons of waste per year.

Committed to developing the French biogas industry, Evergaz is a founding member of Biogaz Vallée® and France Biométhane. Evergaz is run by Alain Planchot, CEO, and Frédéric Flipo, Deputy Chief Executive Officer and co-founder. Evergaz is an independent company, majority owned by its management team, AQUA, Meridiam and SWEN Capital Partners.

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### *About Meridiam*

Created in 2005 by Thierry Déau, Meridiam is an independent investment firm specialising in the development, financing and management of long-term, sustainable public infrastructure projects.

Its business model is underpinned by the belief that the alignment of interests between the public and the private sector can provide key solutions to the needs of the community.

With offices in Paris, New York, Toronto, Luxembourg, Istanbul, Vienna, Addis Ababa and Dakar, Meridiam manages assets worth €7 billion and has more than 70 projects under development, construction or operation to date.

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