## Metsä Group's Bioproduct Mill

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## The bioeconomy (or the bio-based economy)



Illustration source: Bio-based Industries Consortium (BIC), Belgium



## Increasing importance of the bioeconomy opens up for new business opportunities



#### Implication of current megatrends on capital-intensive industries

#### Three winning strategies moving forward..

- A. Make current production processes more efficient (and more environmentally sustainable)
- B. Enhance recycling and replace current raw materials by new, more sustainable raw materials
- C. Develop new industrial ecosystems / business models





## **2020 ClusterTech scenario** for the Finnish forest-based sector

#### By 2020:

- Value of current product sales down to 70% of the 2010 level
- Nevertheless, a total increase to 122% compared to the 2010 level is achievable thanks to growth in 'evolving products'
- Growth is achievable within the limits of sustainable wood availability in Finland; and
- meeting the national bioenergy targets for 2020



Source: ClusterTech II project by esp. Pöyry and VTT, 2011





Source: Natural Resources Institute Finland, 2015



#### Metsä Group – Leading player in selected businesses

We focus on products and services with promising growth prospects and in which we have strong competence and a competitive edge







### Role of pulp production is evolving: Case Finland





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Over 50% of the wood dry mass ends up in the mill's side-streams



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Blue font: Current products of pulp production











Green = Decision to go to commercial phase made, situation May 2016



# Product gas by bark gasification

- Makes the bioproduct mill fully free of fossil energy
- Globally unique size, but similar technology is used on a smaller scale, for instance, at our Joutseno mill since 2012
- Capacity: 90 MW product gas
- Start up at the bioproduct mill: Q3/2017



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### New biocomposite provides exciting new alternatives for plastics

- Compound comprising wood pulp and fossil polymers
- Novel propriety technology licensed by SME Elastopoli
- Investment by another SME, Aqvacomp
- First plant in operation at Metsä Fibre's Rauma mill in 2017
- Bioproduct mill considered in a later stage (scale-up)



# Sulphuric acid from sulphur-rich waste gases

- Based on well-known catalytic conversion. However, first-of-its-kind concept globally (i.e. integrated to a pulp mill)
- First stage capacity: 35 t acid/d, which is about half of the demand of the bioproduct mill
- Decision to double the capacity is done later
- Start-up at the bioproduct mill: Q3/2017





#### TOON /TOCHV New textile fibres to meet the ₩ Metsä cellulose gap of the future Market for cellulose-based textile fibres today is about 5 million tons, growth ~5% /a Opportunity to supplement cotton-based fibres, where the market size today is ~30 Metsä million tons Proprietary production technology based on novel ionic liquids Metsä. Still in laboratory



