



# **Argus Consulting Services**

Bespoke market studies and strategic advice to enable customers across the natural resources industries to find, scope, select and capitalize on new opportunities.





## What we do

Argus Consulting helps clients to improve their understanding of the markets in which they operate, and to devise strategies for succeeding within them.

We provide bespoke advisory support and regular market outlook reports to companies that need the highest quality strategic advice, data, analysis, forecasts and for global energy, petrochemical, fertilizer and metals industries.

Market participants including commodity producers, corporates, financial institutions and governments trust Argus' global consulting team to help them make the best commercial decisions and capitalize on new opportunities in their markets.

## Who we work with

#### **Commodity Producers and Corporates**

- We assess the markets business and planning teams operate in and define how they should approach them
- We support in-house research teams by providing deep analysis of the industry

#### **Investors / Private Equity**

- We provide investment analysis and market due diligence across all our market sectors
- Argus acts as a Lenders Market Consultant for project finance and M&A activities

#### **Government Agencies / Regulatory Bodies**

 Our consulting team provides policy and research teams with tailored analysis of the energy industry, such as the outlook for specific areas, or a review of policy impact and effectiveness

#### **Professional Services**

- We'll jointly sell and deliver consulting engagements, especially where deep analysis of the markets and/ or access to proprietary data are required
- We frequently work with engineering and technology service providers to evaluate projects

#### **Trading Organisations / Financial Services**

- We deliver detailed knowledge and insights to enable research teams to understand and judge their markets better
- Utilize our in-depth market analysis to identify and evaluate long and short term trading opportunities



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## | Knowledge

Argus' key strength is our knowledge of how the markets operate.

Argus has been at the heart of the industry for over 50 years, evolving with it so that our experts are some of the very best informed.



## Coverage

Argus has outstanding content and coverage, with offices in all major trading hubs and representatives on the ground worldwide.

We are perfectly positioned to serve a global client base, helping you fully understand the interplay between different parts of the market.



## | Approach

Argus Consulting is recognised for its quality, accuracy, integrity and style of working.

Argus engages its clients directly throughout the delivery process and constantly strives to exceed their expectations.



### **|** Data

Argus pricing, fundamentals, assets and infrastructure data are central to everything we do.

Our ability to access and analyse this proprietary data gives us unique insight to address our clients' business challenges.



## | Capability

Our researchers, analysts and consultants have significant expert industry knowledge.

They work closely with Argus' editorial staff, many of whom are recognised experts in their field, bringing the highest levels of experience to everything we do.



## | Commodities

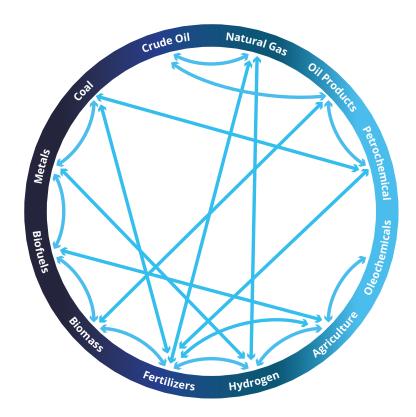
Argus Consulting covers all global commodities markets in a coherent and consistent manner.

We provide expert advice and support across energy, petrochemicals, fertilizers and metals.

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# Cross-sectoral expertise

for truly holistic solutions in increasingly interconnected and complex commodity and energy markets.



## What we provide

Argus offers strategic consulting services to support key global investment decisions



#### **Market Outooks**

- Supply-demand-trade dynamics
- Regulatory/substitution risk
- Subject benchmarking with global competitive landscape, including aspects such as product range, technology, market share, level of integration, geographic reach and trackrecord of innovation



# Price Analysis & Forecasting

- Conventional commodities e.g. crude products, fertilizers, and petrochemicals
- Renewable fuels (biofuels, e-fuels, clean hydrogen, etc.) and feedstocks
- Retail electricity prices for industrial consumers, including national tariffs and taxes
- Transfer pricing



## Investment Strategy

- Cost competitiveness analysis and benchmarking
- Demand and revenue generation projection
- Assessment of novel investment strategies in the context of decarbonization
- Potential challenges and risks



# Bankable asset feasibility support

- Raising capital
- Feasibility assessment of asset investment, for submission to banks and lenders groups
- Documentation for IPOs or project (re)financing
- Review of offtake contracts
- Present due diligence findings and support management to address Q&A by bidders



# Decarbonisation strategy

- Assessment of existing and future low-carbon pathways
- GHG emissions benchmarking
- Review of new opportunities in low-carbon fuels and other green technologies
- Analysis of strategies to procure supply of renewable electricity

Consulting projects offering

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# **Biofuels**



## | Capabilities

- Regulatory strategy—Advisory services on optimal strategy for compliance with mandates, and for legislators on the impact of a range of regulatory regimes
- **Biorefinery investment feasibility**—Marketing studies
  assessing feasibility of bio-related
  asset investment, projecting
  demand and revenue generations
- Price forecasting—projected prices for all biocomponents including HVO, FAME, ethanol and biojet segmentation analysis

## **Example Projects**

### HVO investment analysis—Middle East Oil Company

Examining the case for investment in a European HVO plant under a demand outlook based on RED II legislation

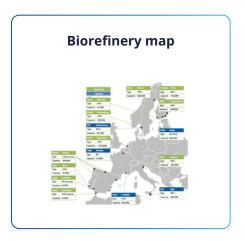
#### Turkey biofuels regime—European Bank

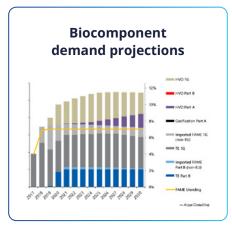
Development of a biofuels mandate for Turkey alongside the Ministry for Energy and Natural Resources

## Methanol market entry strategy— US gas producer

Identifying the global target markets for renewable methanol based on forecast demand and projected prices and margins

## **Assets**







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