



MEMBERSHIP BROCHURE

INFORMING, EMPOWERING AND ENABLING OUR MEMBERS

OUR MISSION

We are your trade association, supporting the anaerobic digestion (AD) industry in the UK.

The Anaerobic Digestion and Bioresources Association (ADBA for short) was established in 2009. We drive the industry's growth, innovation and best standards of performance. We have to. That's because AD is one of the UK's most ground-breaking and important industries for recycling organic wastes, generating renewable energy and achieving national climate change targets. Every day we are on the front line reducing emissions across energy, waste, agriculture, food and drink, transport and sewage. We're helping the UK produce renewable heat, electricity, transport fuel and vital soil-restoring natural fertiliser.

Today we represent and serve over 300 organisations, spanning AD operators, equipment suppliers, finance specialists, farmers, academics, waste management companies, gas distribution networks and other businesses and specialisms. We help the nation achieve resilience. At the same time, we help our members cut costs and succeed.

Our dedicated team works tirelessly to make all this happen. But we can't do it alone. After all, it's you – our members – who are the energy behind the AD revolution.

IN A NUTSHELL: WE MEAN RESULTS

ADBA was established in 2009 to develop and grow the AD industry. Our role is critical: we win government support, promote innovation and plant optimisation, and bring together the UK's AD community.

With ADBA's support since our launch in 2009, the industry has accomplished notable success:

- Overall sector growth of **350%**
- **550** AD plants commissioned, **700** now in operation
- Over **16 terrawatt hours** of renewable energy produced each year
- Cuts the UK's annual emissions by over **5 million tonnes** of CO₂ equivalent

The AD industry can contribute a 6% reduction in the UK's total emissions per year, 30% of the carbon savings required to meet the nation's 2030 target set out in the 5th Carbon Budget. We are committed to reaching our full potential by 2030, and we are working with the Government to create the correct policy and regulatory environment to make this happen.

OUR TEAM

We're here for you.

The ADBA team includes technical support managers, business development advisers, policy and market analysts, an external affairs adviser, marketing, communications and media relations professionals, event producers, training providers, researchers and administrators. The Chief Executive, together with their leadership team and the ADBA Advisory Board, set the direction of the organisation in full consultation with our members and the rest of the ADBA team.

Every member is assigned an Account Manager, who will work with them to ensure they gain maximum benefit and value from their membership. We are available to answer your questions – at any time.

**91% of members believe they are provided with the information they need,
in a format that suits them, in a timely fashion**

CAMPAIGNS

We campaign to ministers, regulators, local authorities and other government officials.

Examples of our campaigns include: subsidies, industry support schemes, CHP, co-digestion and more. Most recently, we lobbied the UK Government to create an AD and green gas policy framework that brings together the multiple strands of work ongoing across government into a cohesive support strategy. As part of this, we produced a landmark report “*Biomethane: The Pathway to 2030*,” and hand-delivered it inside the Houses of Parliament to political leaders. The report made clear biomethane has been achieving only one fifth of its potential and that, with the right support, it can achieve so much more.



MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS

Membership delivers a wide range of valuable benefits to companies and individuals in every corner of the AD industry – at great value for money.

Expert advice

- Technical support for AD operators, developers and plant managers'
- Legislation and regulation explained and clarified
- Technology viability and business development guidance

Government lobbying

- Campaigning to politicians in Westminster
- Engaging with regulators including EA and Ofgem
- COP-level conference and summit involvement

Network of contacts

- Matchmaking with developers, operators, tech and service providers, product and feedstock suppliers
 - NFU and other trade bodies
- Access to tenders, financing and insurance

Market intelligence

- Industry analysis, commentary and policy interpretation
- Access to commodity and feedstock pricing
- Map of active AD plants and database of planned new plants



Influencing our work

- 'Working groups' on agriculture, food waste, safety and other topics
 - Industry surveys
- Meetings on government consultations
 - Discussions with our staff

Industry events

- Regular members-only meetings
- National and regional conferences
- Annual exhibition and awards event

Certification

- Best practice through the AD Certification Scheme (ADCS)

Education and training

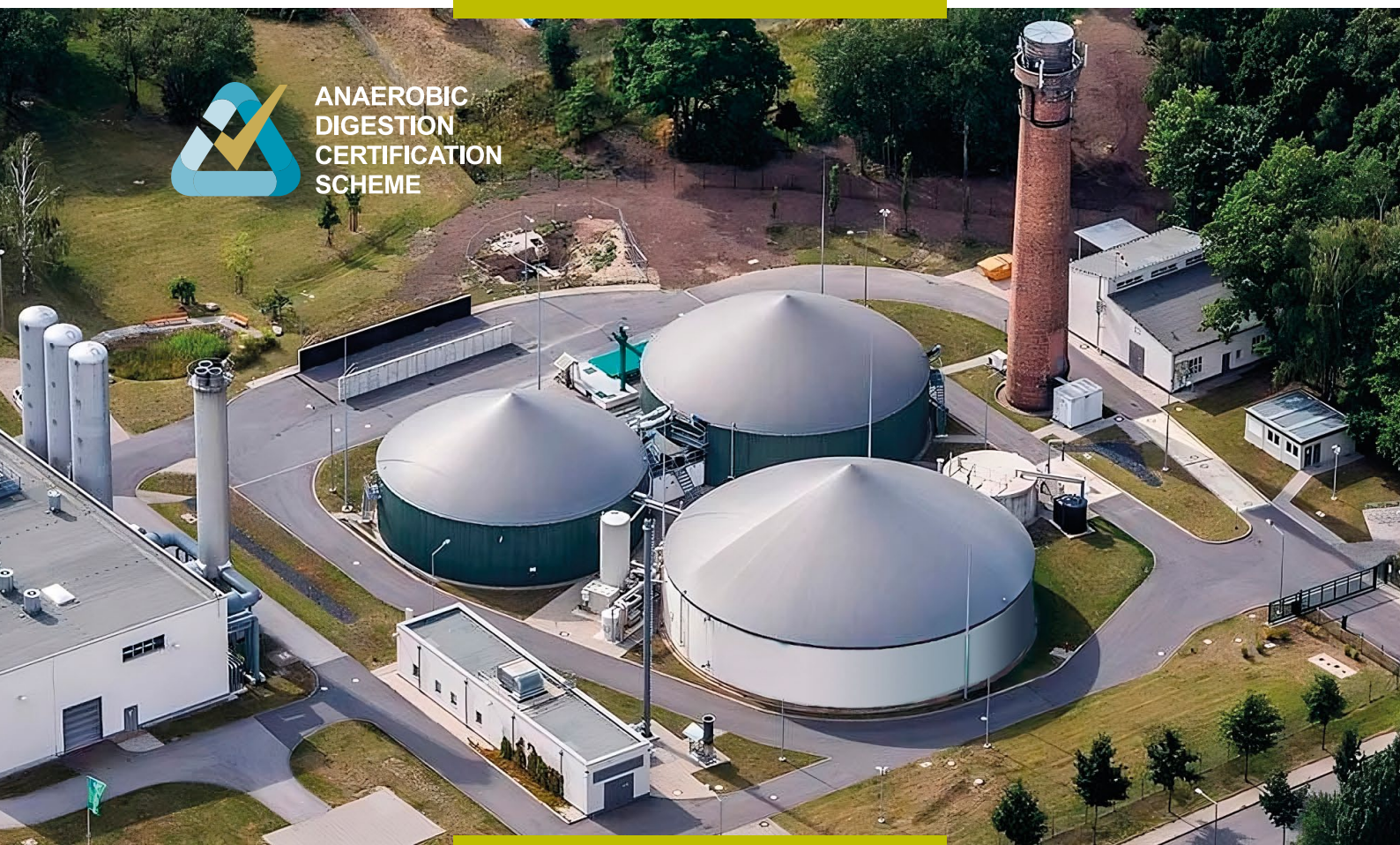
- Instructor-led training on plant optimisation, digestate, feedstock and more
- Operational guidance notes and Q&A with experts on pumps, CHP and more
 - 'How-to' guidebooks

And much more

- Certification Scheme to standardise best practice
 - Compatibility studies with hydrogen and other energies
- Newsletter, online forums and case studies



**ANAEROBIC
DIGESTION
CERTIFICATION
SCHEME**



2026 MEMBERSHIP RATES

SUPPLIERS			
Class	Band	Annual Company Turnover (£)	Annual Subscription (£)
Very Large Corporate	0	250M+	£20,000
Large Corporate	1	75M to < 250M	£12,500
Corporate	2	35M to < 75M	£8,950
Intermediate	3	10M to < 35M	£6,750
Medium	4	2M to < 10M	£4,350
Small	5	0.5M to < 2M	£1,560
Start-Up	6	< 0.5M	£710
Sole Trader	7	N/A	£535

OPERATORS			
Band	Plants output size (MW electrical)	Gas equivalent	Annual Subscription (£)
AAA	15+	3750+ m ³	£12,150
AA	5.1 to 14.9	1250-3750 m ³	£5,650
A	3 to 5	750-1250 m ³	£3,490
B	1.5 to 2.9	375-750 m ³	£1,850
C	1 to 1.4	250-375 m ³	£1,320
D	0.5 to 0.99	125-250 m ³	£655
E	0.01 to 0.49	<125 m ³	£295

Associate Membership

Offtakers: Fleet, Supply chain and Logistics Managers	£10,000
Financiers: Banks, private equity funds, venture capitalists, other financiers and intermediaries	£3,450
Supporting service providers: Law firms, insurers and accountants	£1,025
Non-corporates: Local Authorities, colleges and universities	£690
Farms: Including farm combines and private estates	£295

The ADBA membership year runs from 1 October – 30 September each year. These prices are valid for the membership year 1 October 2025 – 30 September 2026. Orders received prior to 1 October 2025 will be charged a prorated amount from the date of order up to 1 October 2025, plus the full year price shown above, so that all orders will be due for renewal on 30 September 2026.

WHAT OUR MEMBERS SAY

"We are delighted to be part of something that really helps to drive the UK AD industry forward. As ADBA members we benefit from many networking events with other industry leaders as well as updates on legislation and policy as and when they change. The team is always able to help and direct with any questions that arise and is a pleasure to be associated with."

"As a developer and operator, we really benefit from the range of working groups and topics covered at Members' Meetings, from Health and Safety to Waste Permitting and everything in between. The weekly updates, newsletters and ability to just pick up the phone and ask questions has been invaluable in making sure we are up-to-date on the most recent consultations and discussions affecting our current and future projects."

"AD & Bioresources News conveys a massive amount of information and is structured to meet the requirements of a multitude of relevant audiences."



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"The ADBA team are always very helpful in responding to questions or requests for information, especially on changes in policy and clarification of regulations. They have helped clarify certain issues very quickly which is highly beneficial to both us and our clients. The weekly updates, ADBA newsletter, working groups and member meetings are extremely useful to ensure we are aware of new consultations and for discussion around topics which are affecting or could affect the industry."

"ADBA raises the awareness of our brand to one of the UK's largest renewables-specific audiences."



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