

# ADBA MEMBERSHIP

Your route to the UK AD Market



# ADBA | Anaerobic Digestion and Bioresources Association | THE ENERGY BEHIND THE AD REVOLUTION

## 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.

*"The AD industry is vital for the UK's economic and environmental resilience."*



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

### Growing the market

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 AD community. The AD industry grew 340% over the last decade, with nearly 700 AD plants operating today. Thus, improving infrastructure and increasing the number of AD plants significantly increases the market for suppliers to sell their products and services.



### Our team: we're here for you

We have a technical support manager, business development advisers, policy and market analysts, an external affairs adviser, a media relations officer, event producers, training course leaders, marketing and communications specialists, researchers and administrators. Our Chief Executive and Advisory Board set the direction of the organisation with of course input from the team and from all our members. We pair every member with their very own account manager to get you the most out of your membership. Call, e-mail or meet us – with any question... any time!

*"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 right policy and regulatory environment to make this happen."*

## IF YOU'RE THINKING 'WHAT'S IN IT FOR ME?'

Membership fulfils your needs at value-for-money. Join us today and immediately grab hold of...

### Government lobbying

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 1/5 of its potential and that, with the right support, it can achieve so much more.

### Market intelligence

Being the AD industry's association gives us the best vantage-point to conduct research and produce industry-leading resources. We analyse trends, forecasts, supply and demand, energy prices, incentives, tariffs, emerging technologies, digestate quality, benchmarks and more. Our comprehensive map modelling and database of AD plants are ideal for targeting your key customers and instrumental to your own market research. Also, check out our market analysis in our policy reports, online newsroom and newsletters.



### Media and promotion

ADBA provides media relations support, advertising and sponsorship opportunities, social media, our own industry magazine, technology compatibility studies and case studies. Send us your press releases, product launches, thought-leadership articles, videos, announcements and your other materials. We will be glad to promote you free-of-charge on our communication channels.

### Network of contacts

The AD community's solidarity is strengthened through our 'matchmaking' amongst developers, operators, service providers, technology providers, product suppliers and feedstock suppliers. Check out our online industry directory and "Feedstock Finder" service. We recently launched an online platform for tenders, job vacancies and announcements. By partnering with other associations, for example the National Farmers' Union, we integrate AD in other sectors. We also liaise with local authorities.

### Industry events

Our events calendar is packed with our national conferences, regional breakfasts and luncheons (Covid-19 permitting), an international expo, an awards ceremony, members-only meetings, webinars, online networking sessions and product showcases. Members come for free or at discounted rates.



### Expert advice

ADBA's staff work year-round to give you 1-to-1 support. Our team advises members on legislation, regulation, investment, business development, technology, Brexit, Covid-19 and other pressing issues. We also talk you through the data in our comprehensive AD plant database and map (see "Market intelligence" above).



### Education

Our training programme is unparalleled and has been gaining popularity year-on-year. Topics include: digestate, plant optimisation, health and safety, feedstock, clamping and more. We publish guides for national government, local authorities, farmers and plant operators. We partner with universities and promote R&D funding.

### Influencing our work

Collaboration is key. That is why we facilitate "Working Groups" on topics such as agriculture, food waste, safety and more. We also encourage our members to share their insight via our surveys, meetings on government consultations and discussions with our staff.



### Food waste collections mean steady stream of feedstock for AD plants

At the ADBA National Conference 2018, Investment Minister Graham Stuart MP broke the news that the Resources & Waste Strategy will finally make food waste collections mandatory in England. "We want food waste to be collected separately for use in AD plants – to make the green biogas that can fertilise our crops and heat our homes: an environmentally sustainable option for waste management that cuts down on landfill," Stuart said. ADBA had been campaigning for years to enact this policy. But we're not stopping. Now we're guiding national government and local authorities on implementing these separate food waste collections.



# THE DIFFERENCE ADBA MEMBERSHIP MAKES – IN THE WORDS OF OUR MEMBERS

*"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 Bidwells 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."*

**Bidwells**

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

**Future Biogas**

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

**AVK UK Limited**

## ADBA MEMBERSHIP RATES

### OPERATOR MEMBERSHIP

Band	Annual Company Turnover	Annual Subscription
Band 0	£250m +	£20,000
Band 1	£75m - < £250m	£12,000
Band 2	£35m - < £75m	£8,000
Band 3	£10m - < £35m	£6,000
Band 4	£2m - < £10m	£3,900
Band 5	£0.5m - < £2m	£1,400
Band 6	< £0.5m	£635
Band 7	N/A	£ 480

### ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP

<b>Financiers:</b> Banks, private equity funds, venture capitalists, other financiers and intermediaries	£3,100
<b>Supporting service providers:</b> Law firms, insurers and accountants	£920
<b>Non-corporates:</b> Local Authorities, colleges and universities	£655
<b>Farms:</b> Including farm combines and private estates	£295

Please note that ADBA operates a fixed membership year from 1st October - 30th September. Members joining after December will receive a quarterly pro rata rate for the remaining period of a year's membership. All fees indicated are ex VAT and are valid for the membership year October 2023 - September 2024 only.

## JOIN NOW

If you are interested in finding out more about ADBA membership, please contact  
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