



# Recycling potentials of MSWI Bottom Ash

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# EU long term ambition: legal framework

## Waste Framework Directive 2008/98

### Increase energy recovery efficiency

- Min. energy efficiency of MSWI required to become R1 installation
- Increase recycling rates of materials
- Introducing concept of “end of waste”
- Developing EoW criteria

=> modern “RECYCLING SOCIETY”

## Bottom ash: amounts produced in EU

Country	Incinerated waste [million tonnes]	Bottom Ash [million tonnes]
Belgium (2010)	3.03	0.51
Czech Republic (2010)	0.51	0.16
Denmark (2008)	3.59	0.63
Finland (2009)	0.27	0.05
France (2008)	11.60	2.7
Germany (2010)	20.04	5.00
Hungary (2008)	0.40	0.09
Italy (2010)	4.71	1.27
Netherlands (2011)	7.2	1.6
Norway (2010)	1.35	0.25
Portugal (2011)	1.13	0.21
Spain (2011)	2.42	0.42
Sweden (2009)	4.50	0.74

Source: Amounts of bottom ash produced in Europe, CEWEP Country Reports 2010 and 2012

## Bottom ash: recovery examples (1/2)

Country	Use as a secondary construction material
Austria	No intention to reuse except as landfill structure material
Belgium	Use of granulates in road construction, concrete products
Denmark	Road subbase and embankments, Filler for marine structures (dams, ports), Construction material for parking and small building foundations
France	80% of bottom ash recovered in road construction
Germany	Road subbase construction, recovery on landfills (roads, shaping) or storage in salt mines
Italy	Recovery in cement kilns, road construction, landfill construction

## Bottom ash: recovery examples (2/2)

Country	Use as a secondary construction material
Netherlands	Road subbase and embankments, Noise barriers, Foundation material, Concrete products, Landfill prohibited
Portugal	Road construction, recovery on landfill sites (as construction layers)
Spain	Road construction, recovery on landfill sites (as construction layers)
Sweden	Reuse as landfill covering material
UK	55% reused as road material in 2011

# Bottom ash: regional legislation for recycling

## Comparison of leaching criteria

	Belgium Flanders (coming soon)		The Netherlands			France (EN 12457-2 mg/kg d.s.)	
	Shaped applications	Non-shaped applications	Shaped applications	Non-shaped applications	IBC	Non-shaped covered by bitumen, coatings, ...	Non-shaped covered by 30cm natural materials
	NEN 7345 (mg/m <sup>2</sup> )	CMA 2/II/A.9.1 (mg/kg d.s.)	NEN 7345 (mg/m <sup>2</sup> )	NEN 7373 (mg/kg d.s.)	NEN 7373 (mg/kg d.s.)		
As	27	0,80	260	0,90	2,0	0,60	0,60
Cd	1,1	0,03	3,8	0,04	0,06	0,05	0,05
Cr III	55	2,6	120	0,63	7,0	2	1
<b>Cu</b>	25	<b>0,80</b>	98	<b>0,90</b>	<b>10</b>	50	<b>50</b>
Hg	0,80	0,02	1,4	0,02	0,08	0,01	0,01
Pb	60	1,3	400	2,3	8,3	1,6	1,6
Ni	15	0,75	81	0,44	2,1	0,50	0,50
Zn	90	2,8	800	4,5	14	50	50
Sb	8	1	8,7	0,32	0,70	0,70	0,60
Ba	100	20	1.500	22	100	56	28
Co	35	0,5	60	0,54	2,4		
Mo	510	55	144	1,0	15	5,6	2,8
Se	2,5	2	4,8	0,15	3,0	0,10	0,10
Sn	10	1	50	0,40	2,3		
V	25	2,5	3.201	1,8	20		
Br	250	20	6.702	20	34		
<b>Cl</b>	20.000	<b>1.000</b>	1.100.002	<b>616</b>	<b>8.800</b>	10.000	<b>5.000</b>
F	500	55	25.002	55	1.500	60	30
<b>SO<sub>4</sub></b>	7.000	<b>2.200</b>	1.650.002	<b>1730</b>	<b>20.000</b>	10.000	<b>5.000</b>

**Governments strive towards high quality**

# The Netherlands: Highlights of the 'Green Deal'

## **Make the 'IBC' (Encapsulate, Protect, Control) category obsolete:**

- By January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017:  
50% of IBA has to find useful application, other than 'IBC'
- By 2020:  
100% of the IBA finds other applications than 'IBC'
- (Halfway: evaluation of the economical consequences)

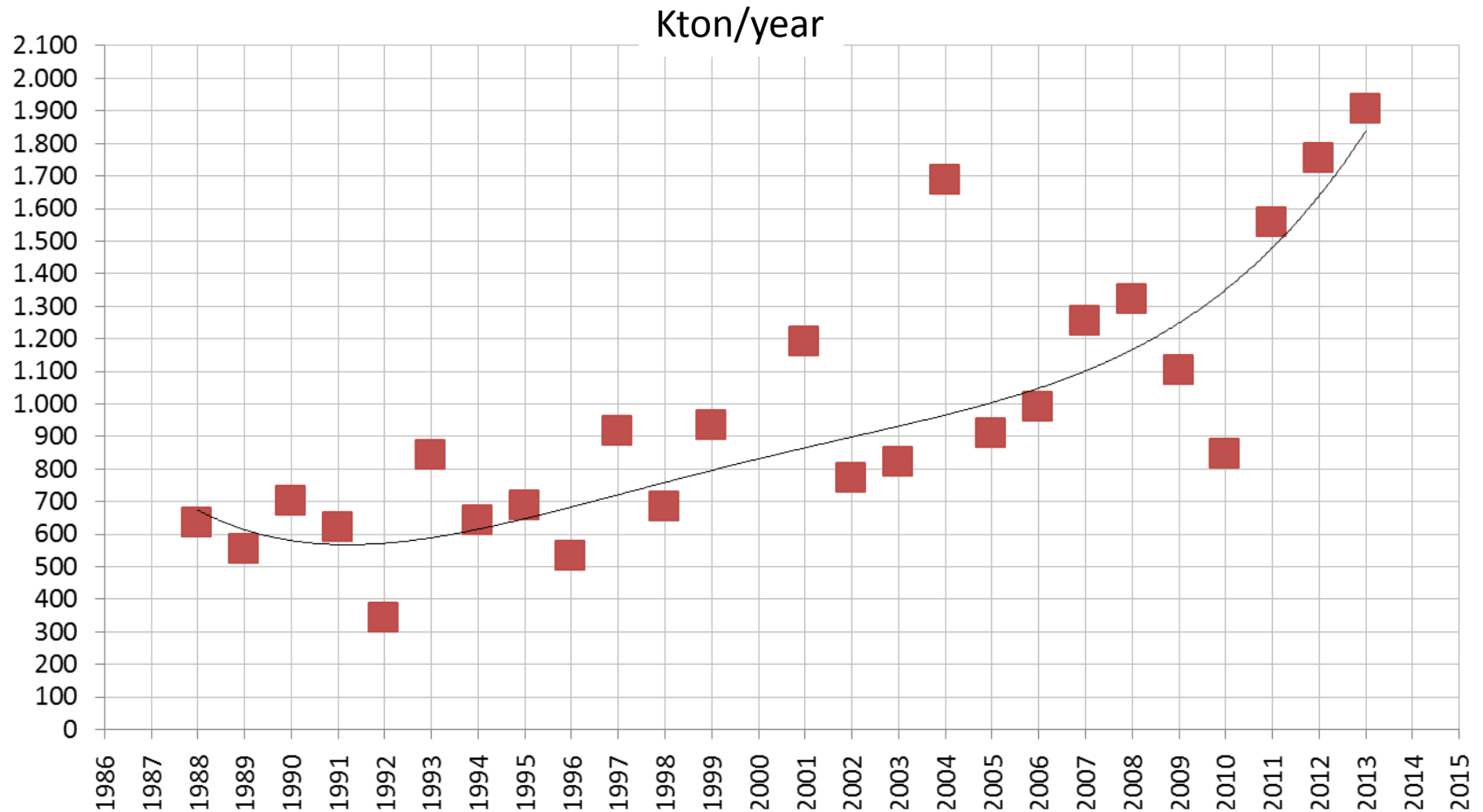
## **Enhance the recycling of NF metals:**

- By January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017:  
75% recycling of non-ferrous metals fraction > 6 mm
- Before 2020:  
Set goals for the recycling of non-ferrous metals < 6 mm

➔ Clear regulation leads to technical choices and progress: the market evolves

# Growth of useful application of bottom ash


## Applied IBA in the Netherlands






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
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i.e. clarity for customer

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


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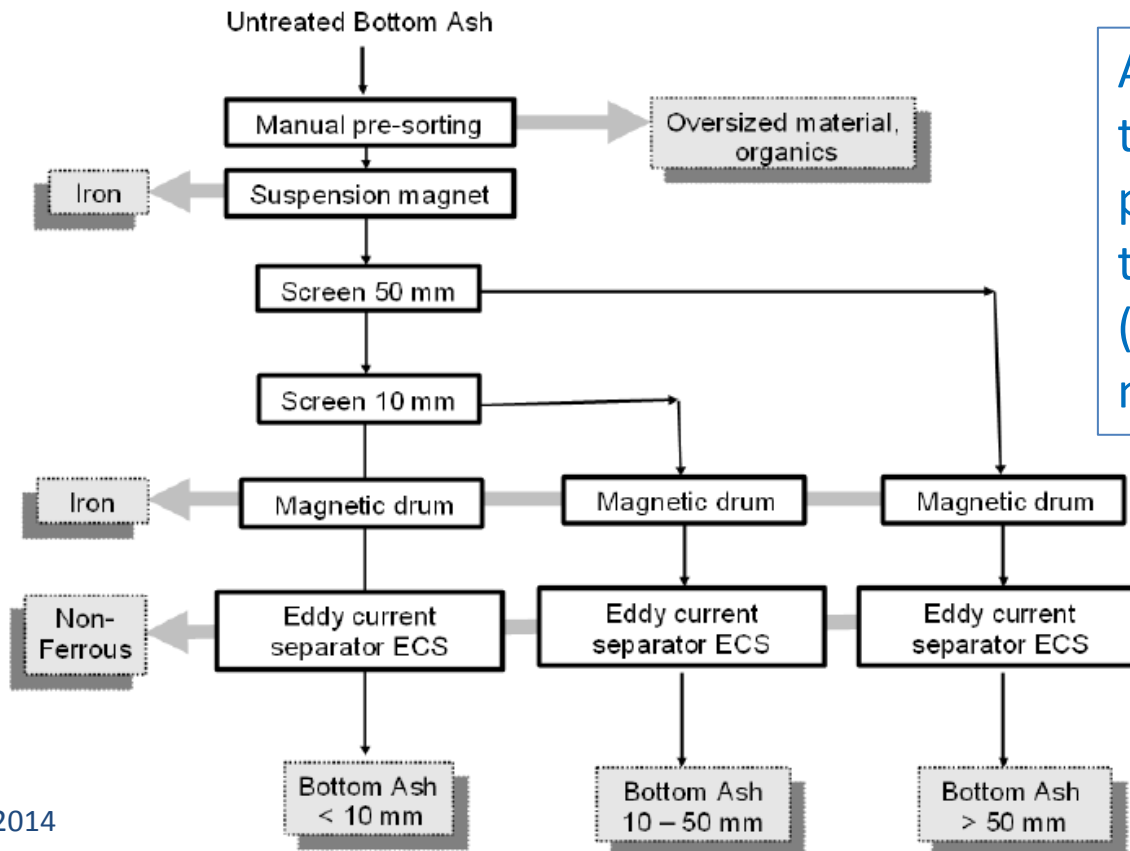
# Bottom ash: treatment techniques

How to fulfill the new environmental targets ?



# Bottom ash: treatment techniques 1/3

**Conventional method** (used in most of the WtE plants in Europe) bottom ash is removed from the grate by a **wet discharge** and follows a **dry treatment process**. In this approach the final goal is to achieve a high quality material that can be used as a secondary construction material in selected applications.



Application of this technology results in a positive business case: the yield of metals (both Fe and NF) makes it worthwhile

# Bottom ash: treatment techniques 2/3

An innovative approach to bottom ash treatment removes the bottom ash from the grate by a **wet discharge** and follows a **wet treatment process**. The goal is to **further improve the quality of the secondary construction material and recyclability of the metals** (proven in Flanders (Belgium), Netherlands, Germany).

- + Washing / fractionating based on wet soil cleaning technology
- + Can remove salts from bottom ash
- Uses water/ needs water
- A sludge (< 63µm) fraction (10 - 15%) has to be landfilled. This contains heavy metals

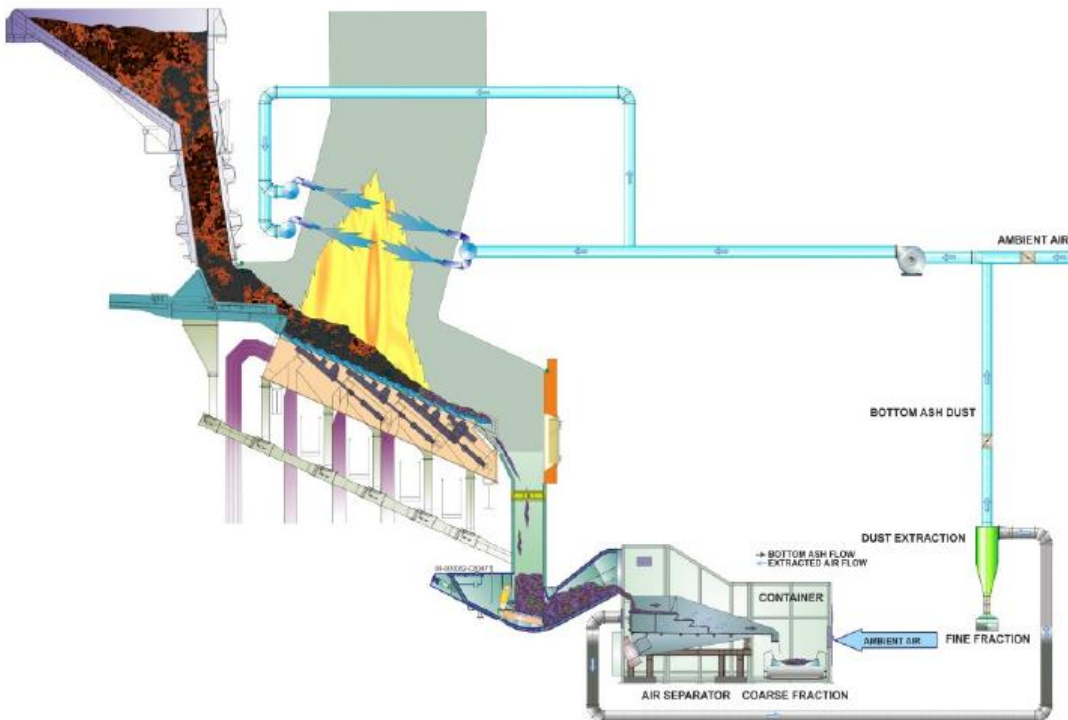
Application of this technology may render a positive business case: depending of the yield of NF metals



# Bottom ash: treatment techniques 3/3

In two WtE plants in Switzerland (KEZO, Hinwill and SATOM, Monthey) bottom ash is removed from the grate by **dry extraction** and can follow a **dry treatment process**:

- + metal separation and metal quality
- higher leaching values for Sb, Br and Pb
- Risk



This technology finds application when the remaining IBA residue (after recovery of the fine metals) has to be landfilled anyway (reuse possibility not yet proven)

# How to fulfill the new environmental targets ?

## ▶ CASE STUDIES:

- INDAVER
- HVC (Boskalis)

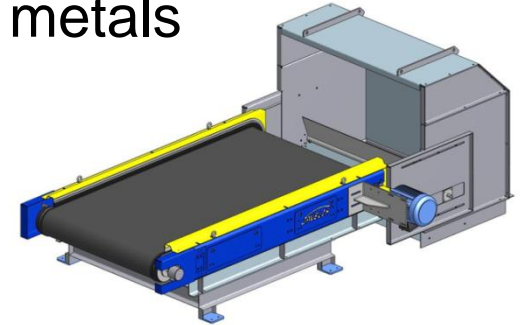


## ▶ Using a wet separation process to:

- Convert process residues into useful **“secondary raw materials”**
- Minimising the need for landfill space
- Replacing raw ‘primary’ materials
- Recover metals (fines, precious) as much as possible

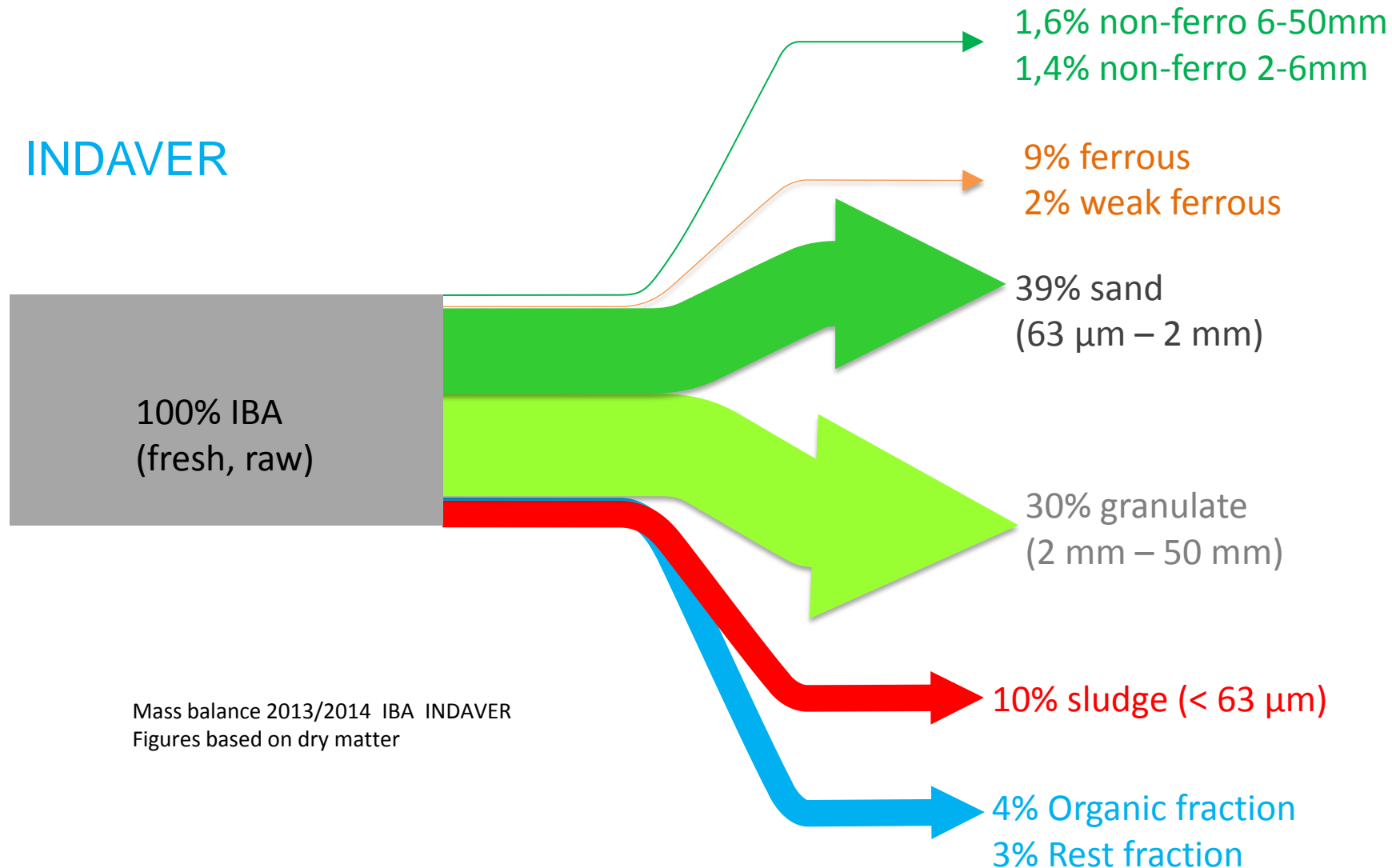
# Non-Ferrous recycling

Enhancement of recycling of non-ferrous metals  
(75% of the NF > 6 mm) :



- **(Add-on) NF separation techniques**  
e.g. Enhanced Dry Recovery (InAshco) or Steinert, ... as an add-on(s) to the classical dry treatment of IBA.  
Subsequently, the gravel fraction can be applied in concrete
- **Improvement of the ballistics of NF particles**  
Washing / fractionating based on wet soil cleaning technology purifies the NF particles  
Subsequently, the washed IBA can be applied as a 'normal' building material

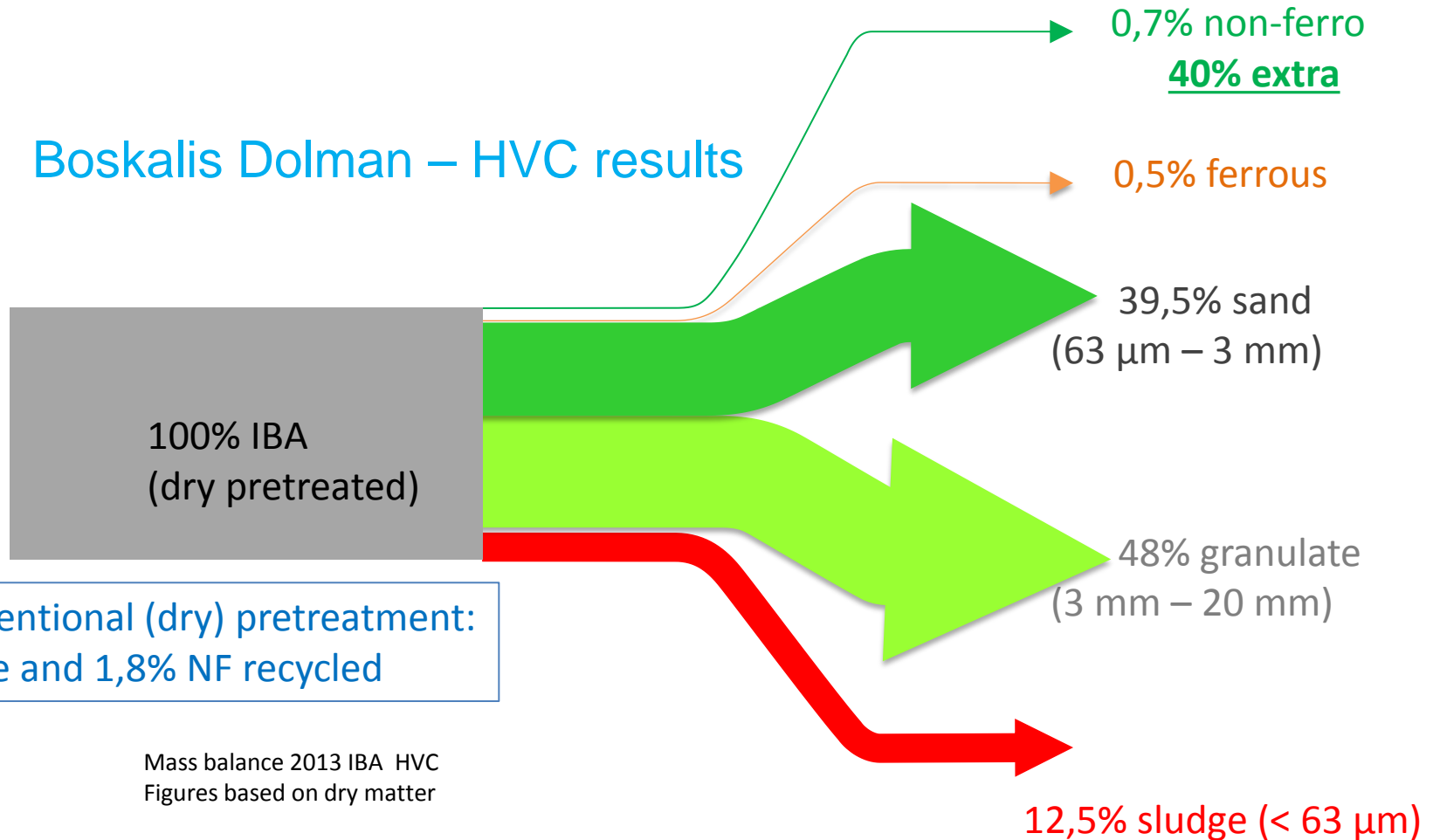
# Wet treatment of bottom ashes: actual performance



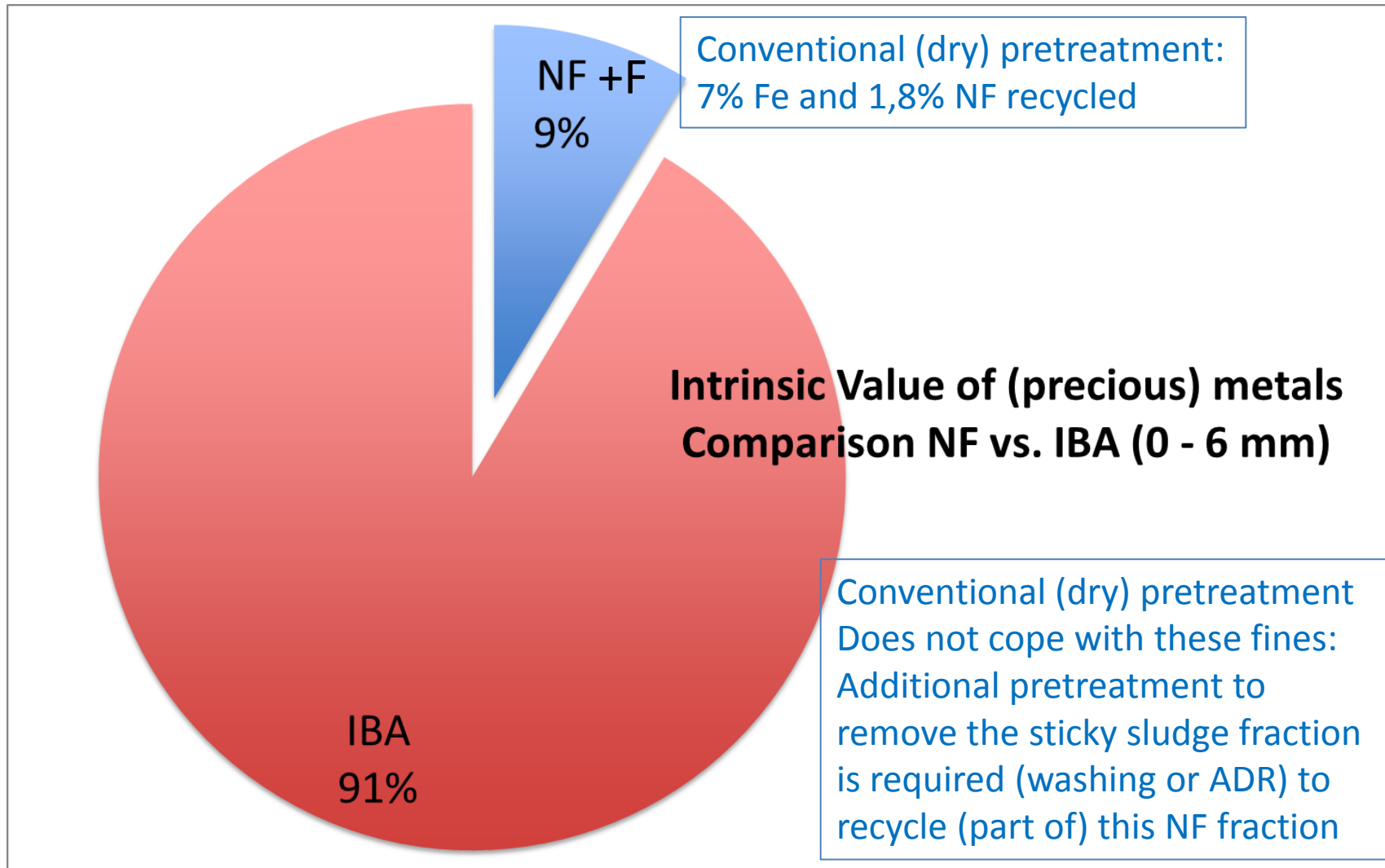


# Wet fractionating & washing

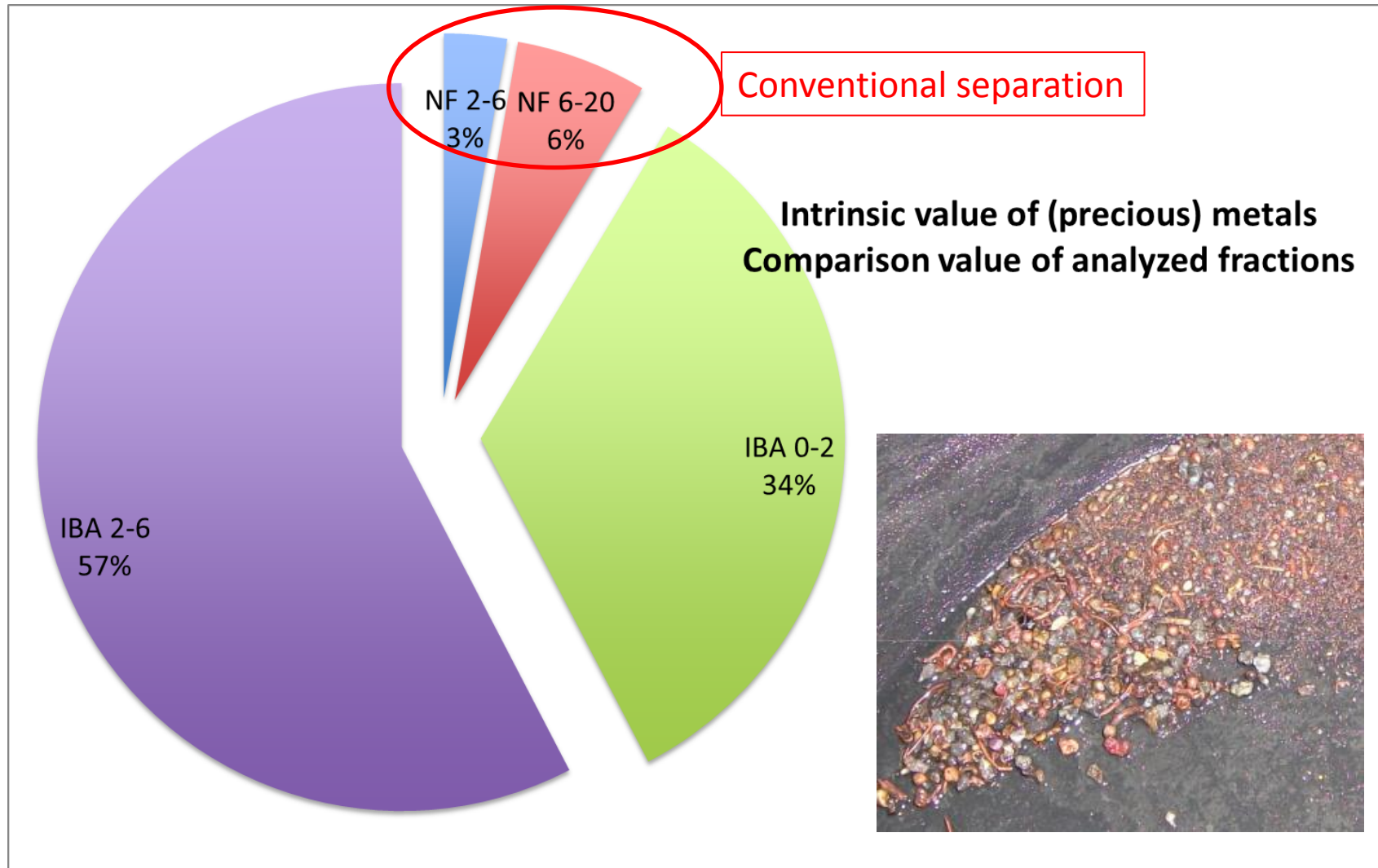
Boskalis Dolman – HVC results



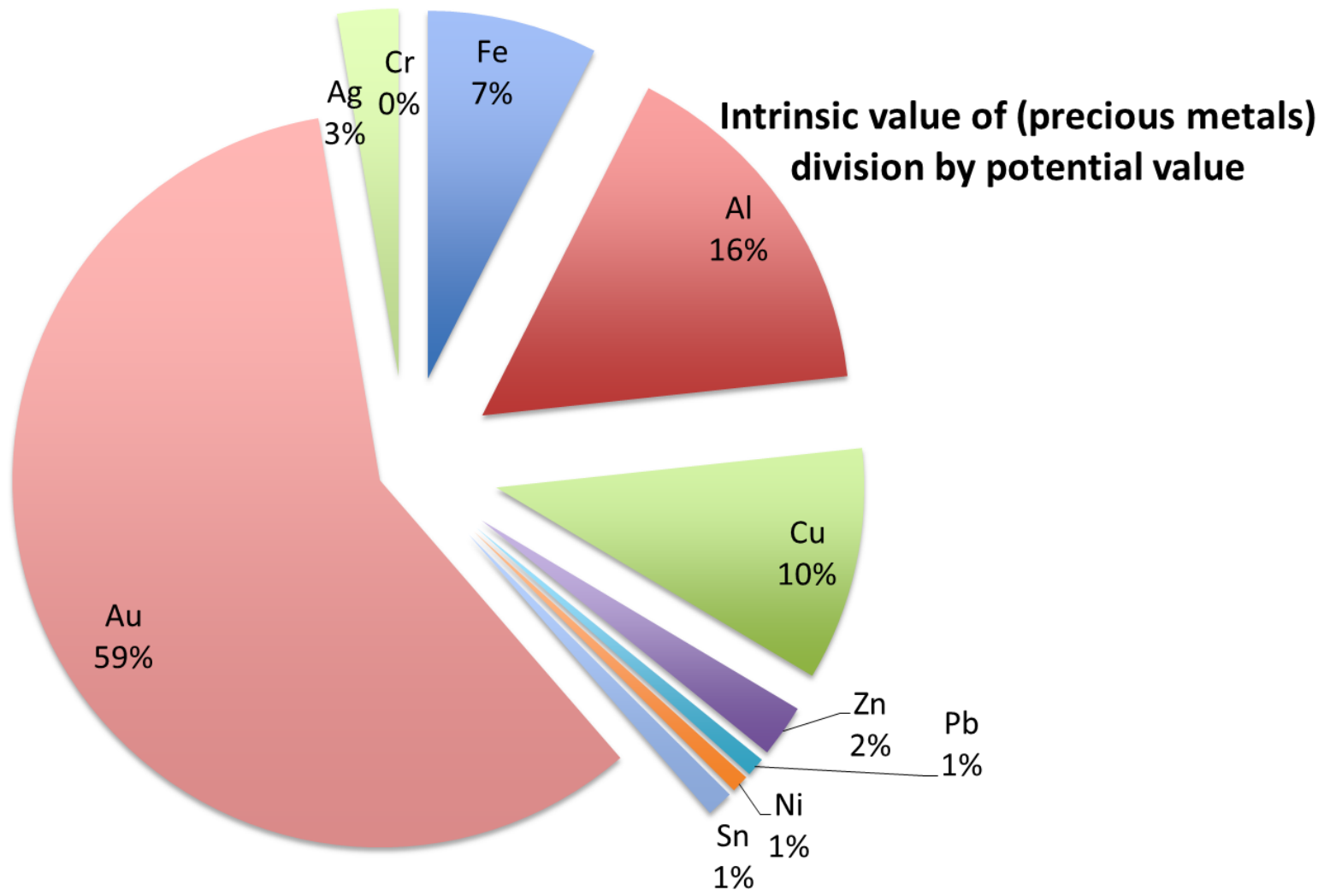
# Maximum F+NF recycling.....



# Overview of the analysis



# Precious metals



# Restrictions: legal

- ▶ No harmonization on environmental standards between EU member states:
  - Application allowed or not (ranges from ban on landfill <-> ban on application)
  - Leaching conditions (which test method)
  - Parameter set: metals, organics, POP's, ...
  - Limit values
- ▶ Result: uncertainty and, hence, risks are considered too high for entrepreneurs...

# Restrictions: market

- ▶ Perception on the use of W-t-E granulates still negative
- ▶ At the moment low to negative prices for mineral fractions from bottom ash (competition of other secondary materials and/or IBC measures)
- ▶ Good market prices for ferrous / non ferrous necessary to keep facility economically feasible

# Restrictions: socio - economical

- ▶ Need for further facilitating role of authorities  
e.g:
  - Act predictable and consistently
  - Legislate leaching behavior rather than composition
  - ‘Ease’ regulation towards technical achievable targets (but not in the extent that innovation is obsolete)
  - Award use of bottom ash in public works
  
- ▶ Promote application of bottom ash fractions in balance with the aim of protecting the environment

# Concluding remarks

- ▶ A change in IBA treatment is imminent, driven by:
  - Environmental pressure on the quality of the mineral fraction (applied as building material)
  - The (intrinsic) value of the metals present in the IBA
- ▶ ‘Winning techniques’ make progress on both fronts: metal recycling can (in part) compensate the costs of quality improvement of the mineral fraction.

