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<p>SEO (Suomalainen energiaosuuskunta) is a fuel retail cooperative that operates in Finland. They currently hold 2% of the market share in Finland and are member of UPEi (Europe's independent fuel suppliers) which represents 30% of the market share in Europe. In view of Green Deal and EU's climate policy, SEO pointed out Finland's national carbon neutrality target which is even more ambitious than that of the EU's. SEO underlined the following issues:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Finland's carbon neutral transport solutions rely on biodiesel, due to two corporations (Neste and UPM) development work; • Biogas is an excellent solution from merely emissions point of view, not only in transport but also in heating and energy. Building production facilities requires, however, major investments – this is the key challenge. Without significant production facilities investments, the carbon neutrality targets will be difficult to achieve. Subsidies (mentioned in this context the next MFF/CEF) and other forms of financing are needed; • The realities in Europe are diverse. Thus, there is no single technological solution when it comes to the necessary carbon emission reductions. Both electricity and fuels based solutions are needed in transport; • Fossil fuels should not be entirely forgotten. They will play a role, along with biogas/biodiesel. Heavy vehicle transport is increasing in Finland. <p>[REDACTED] took note of the key messages.</p> <p>+++</p>

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