



THE SENATE  
OF THE PARLIAMENT OF THE CZECH REPUBLIC  
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**RESOLUTION OF THE SENATE**

Delivered on the 23<sup>rd</sup> session held on 13<sup>th</sup> June 2012

**on the Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament, the Council, the European Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions - Innovating for Sustainable Growth: A Bioeconomy for Europe /Senate Press no. K 147/08/**

**The Senate**

**I.**

**Supports,**

in accordance with the long-term position of the Senate, as stated for example in Resolution No. 465 of 24<sup>th</sup> April 2010 on the Communication from the Commission: Europe 2020 - A strategy for smart, sustainable and inclusive growth, the initiatives of the European Union directed towards ensuring progress through investments in science, research and advanced technologies;

**II.**

**1. Agrees**

with the need to strike a balance between food security and sustainable usage of renewable resources for industrial and other purposes, while the basis for a successful bioeconomy is abundance of high quality water and soil;

**2. Reminds**

that EU and Members States' subsidy policies in the field of bioeconomy should take into account the possible negative consequences of unilateral support of biofuels, as recommended in Senate Resolution No. 214 of 4<sup>th</sup> May 2011 on the Report from the Commission on indirect land-use change related to biofuels and bioliquids, and as agreed to in the Commission's reply;

**3. Points out**

to the need of efficient linking of the bioeconomy strategy to other EU initiatives in the field of knowledge-based economy, in particular with the Common Agriculture Policy, with the 7<sup>th</sup> Framework Programme for Science and Research, with the Horizon 2020 strategy and with the policy of adjustment to climate change;

**4. Calls upon the Government**

to identify the opportunities of Czech research institutions and businesses in the presented strategy for bioeconomy, and to support better use of these opportunities;

**III.**

**1. Requests**

the Government to inform the Senate about the way this position was taken into account and about further initiatives;

**2. Authorises**

the President of the Senate to forward this Resolution to the European Commission.

Milan Štěch  
sign manual  
President of the Senate

Josef Táborský  
sign manual  
Senate Verifier