



EIP-AGRI WORKSHOP BUILDING NEW BIOMASS SUPPLY CHAINS FOR THE BIO-BASED ECONOMY 27-28 MAY 2015 - ALGHERO, ITALY



EIP-AGRI Workshop 'Building new biomass supply chains for the bio-based economy'

Wednesday 27 May – Thursday 28 May 2015
Alghero, Sardinia, Italy

Introduction

Building new low-carbon, resource-efficient and sustainable value chains based on agricultural and forestry biomass to produce biochemicals, biomaterials and bioenergy will contribute to the diversification of rural economy and the reinforcement of the industrial base creating rural growth and employment, and will help to meet energy and climate policy targets for 2030. Indeed, bio-based products can have a lower environmental and climate footprint than products based on non-renewable raw materials. There is a high potential for the production, mobilisation and use of renewable raw materials (notably lignocellulose such as agricultural and forestry residues, industrial crops, by-products/co-products and waste) for industrial applications.

The overall objective of the workshop is to help set up and foster co-operation mechanisms between agriculture/forestry and industry to guarantee:

- A steady and reliable supply of renewable raw materials for the industry without compromising sustainability;
- and a fair income for the farmer and forest holders.

Specific objectives:

- To engage relevant actors including farmers, forest holders, cooperatives, industries, national/regional public authorities, advisers and innovation support services.
- To identify and address technical, economic, regulatory and social barriers for the setting up of new biomass supply chains.
- To ensure sustainability of the biomass supply chain.

Participants include farmers, forest holders, cooperatives, national/regional public authorities, advisers and innovation support services, representatives from different industry sectors and clusters. As far as possible, participants with practical experience have been invited.

Draft Programme

The workshop combines plenary presentations, discussions, interactive work in breakout sessions and a field visit.

The first plenary sessions introduce the context and the concept, and give insight into existing business cases, initiatives and tools. The breakout sessions address drivers, obstacles, solutions and tools. Cross fertilisation takes place in the plenary discussions after the breakout sessions. In addition, a field visit is organised in Porto Torres showing a concrete case of biomass supply chain and conversion in the [Matrica plant](#).

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Programme

**Please note that this workshop will be held in English.
Translation (English-Italian) will be provided on Day 1**

Day 1 – Wednesday, 27 May 2015

08:30 – 09:00 Registration

09:00 – 09:20 Welcome and opening address
Mr Rob Peters – Directorate-General Agriculture and Rural Development

09:20 – 09:50 Setting the Scene
Keynote address on 'Building of new biomass supply chains for the bio-based economy'
Mr Federico Maria Grati

09:50 – 10:30 Presenting business cases

- SÖDRA, based on forestry *Mr Christer Segerstéen*
- NOVAMONT/COLDIRETTI based on industrial crops *Ms Catia Bastioli and Mr Battista Cualbu*

10:30 – 10:35 Introducing interactive session 1

10:35 – 11:00 Coffee break

11:00 – 12:15 Interactive session 1:
Addressing drivers and barriers

12:15 – 12:20 Address from Regional Minister for Agriculture in Sardinia *Dr. Elisabetta Falchi*

12:20 – 12:50 Reporting back to the plenary and discussions

12:50 – 13:00 Closing morning session and announcing practicalities

13:00 – 14:00 Lunch

14:00 – 18:00 Field visit: Showing a concrete business case of new biomass supply chain and conversion in the **Matrìca plant** in Porto Torres

19:30 – 22:00 Networking dinner



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Day 2 – Thursday, 28 May 2015

09:00 – 09:10 Opening and introducing Day 2

09:10 – 09:40 Working further on outcomes of interactive session 1

09:40 – 10:40 Presenting support tools

- EIP-AGRI (*Rural development and H2020*) *Ms Virginie Rimbert*
- National Policy Strategy on bioeconomy in Germany and its implementation *Mr Hans-Jürgen Froese*
- RMT Biomasse et Territoires: French national network for technical support for building biomass supply chains *Ms Laurie Ducatillon*

10:40 – 10:45 Introducing interactive session 2

10:45 – 11:00 **Coffee Break**

11:00 – 12:10 Interactive session 2:
Addressing solutions and tools

12:10 – 12:45 Reporting back to the plenary and discussions

12:45 – 13:00 Wrapping up and closing
Mr Rob Peters – Directorate-General Agriculture and Rural Development

13:00 **Lunch**