



Register of Commission expert groups and other similar entities

Commission Expert Group

Name: EU Bioeconomy Stakeholders Panel (E02859)
(Active - Group which operates on a permanent basis)

Policy Area:	Agriculture
	Climate
	Economic and Monetary Affairs
	Employment and Social Affairs
	Energy
	Enterprise
	Environment
	Fisheries and Maritime Affairs
	Food Safety
	Information Society
	Internal Market
	Regional Policy
	Research and Innovation
	Training

Lead DG: RTD - DG Research and Innovation

Associated DG:	GROW - DG Internal Market, Industry, Entrepreneurship and SMEs
	AGRI - DG Agriculture and Rural Development
	ENER - DG Energy
	ENV - DG Environment
	MARE - DG Maritime Affairs and Fisheries

Type: Informal, Temporary

Scope: Limited

Mission: 1) Monitor and reflect on the implementation of the Bioeconomy Strategy in a systematic manner, with the aim to reinforce interaction between policies, initiatives and economic sectors related to the bioeconomy at EU and Member State level to improve coherence and synergies, building on the work of existing mechanisms; 2) Suggest and foster European joint actions and measures in the domain of bioeconomy 3) Encourage the creation of bioeconomy stakeholders panels at national and regional level. Support initiatives at national and regional level, in particular for the exchange of best-practices between new and established national and regional bioeconomy strategies will be encouraged; 4) Foster collaboration between stakeholders in the domain of the bioeconomy, to identify future actions of common interest, for example with regard to research funding and public policy.

Task:	Assist the Commission in relation to the implementation of existing Union legislation, programmes and policies
	Assist the Commission in the preparation of legislative proposals and policy initiatives
	Coordinate with Member States, exchange of views

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Additional Information

Activity Report

The Bioeconomy Panel will meet in a plenary session at least twice a year, the second of which will be dedicated to assessing the progress on the implementation of the Bioeconomy Strategy. Additional meetings could be scheduled on an ad-hoc basis. The Chair, supported by the Secretariat will prepare the main meeting agendas. If needed, decisions can be taken by majority within the Panel.

Selection Procedure (members)

The Bioeconomy Panel is composed of up to 30 members with experience from different bioeconomy related areas who are nominated by the European Commission for a mandate of up to 4 years: • Up to 10 representatives from Members States' authorities, either at national, regional or local level, that are bioeconomy-relevant, with an overall balanced representation of the main bioeconomy sectors and policies and of the different Member States. The regional dimension of the bioeconomy should also be taken into account; • Up to 20 experts with experience from relevant stakeholders groups, including respectively: i) European industrial sector associations or companies; ii) Universities, research organisations and the scientific community; iii) European associations covering the farming, forestry and fishery sectors; and iv) Non-governmental organisations. A system of rotation of Panel members could be considered, on a 2 years-periods basis. Selection: The nominations of experts will follow an open and transparent process in accordance with the rules set out for EC Expert Groups by the Secretariat General. • Selection Procedure: After consultation of relevant existing European Commission advisory bodies committees and expert groups, the co-responsible services of the Commission, assisted by independent monitoring experts, have decided to follow the following selection procedure: 1) A list of candidates will be compiled based on i) the consultation of relevant existing European Commission advisory bodies, committees and expert groups, and ii) an open call for applications to become member of the Bioeconomy Panel; 2) The Commission will select the Panel members against the criteria identified below; 3) The Commission will appoint the Bioeconomy Panel's Members, according to the results of the selection. The Panel Members should be selected according to the following criteria: Individual criteria constituting a requirement: 1) The Member should have a cross-sectorial expertise enabling them to have a broad vision for the bioeconomy; 2) The Member should have experience in driving innovation; Individual criteria constituting an asset: 3) The Member should be willing and committed to participate proactively in the Panel's activities and have enough time and resources to dedicate to the activities of the Panel; 4) The Member should have expertise in representing his/her organisation or administration or his/her sector in other relevant bodies / initiatives at EU level or at national level. Alternatively, they should be able to liaise with these relevant bodies / initiatives. Global criteria constituting an asset for the Panel: 5) The Bioeconomy Panel should have a reasonable geographical and gender balance. 6) The Bioeconomy Panel should ensure an adequate representation of the main bioeconomy sectors and policies (e.g. agriculture and forestry, fisheries and aquaculture, environment, research and education, enterprises and industry, food and consumer affairs). The regional dimension should also be covered by some of the panel members. 7) The Bioeconomy Panel should be able to deliver added value to existing European Commission working and advisory groups and committees.

Internal Rules of Procedure

The Bioeconomy Panel is chaired by the European Commission. Chairs will be Directors nominated by the co-responsible DGs. Each meeting will be co-chaired by two chair persons. The chairmanship could be on rotation basis or depend on the subject discussed. The work of the Bioeconomy Panel will be supported by the Secretariat, provided by the European Commission (DG RTD-F). An executive secretary will be nominated by the EC. The secretariat will handle all procedural aspects related to the establishment of this Panel as an EC Expert Group, the appointments of external Members and their reimbursements, the organisation and follow-up of plenary meetings. Agenda, background documents, memos and reports will be centrally communicated via the Secretariat to all Panel members in due time before a plenary meeting (at least 7 working days). Minutes of the plenary meetings will be taken by the Secretariat and approved by the Panel.

Other

Terms of reference
[Document 1](#)
(approx. 48 kb)

Members

Type C - Organisation

Name of Organisation	Category	Countries/Areas represented	Membership Status
BioFuel Region BFR AB (BNR)	Other Organisations	Sweden	Member
Climate-KIC Holding BV (Climate-KIC)	Trade and business associations	European	Member
Confederación Española de Pesca (CEPESCA)	NGOs	Spain	Member
DBFZ Deutsches Biomasseforschungszentrum gemeinnützige GmbH (DBFZ)	Academia, Research Institute and Think Tanks	Germany	Member
EuropaBio	Trade and business associations	Belgium	Member
European Aquaculture Technology and Innovation Platform (EATIP)	NGOs	Belgium	Member
European Chemical Industry Council (Cefic)	Trade and business associations	Belgium	Member
E-zavod (EZVD)	NGOs	Slovenia	Member
Fagligt Fælles Forbund (3F)	Trade and business associations	Denmark	Member
Federación española de Industrias de Alimentación y Bebidas (FIAB)	Trade and business associations	Spain	Member
Forest-based Sector Technology Platform (FTP)	NGOs	Belgium	Member
Lantbrukarnas Riksförbund (LRF)	Trade and business associations	Sweden	Member
Netherlands Standardization Institute (NEN)	NGOs	Netherlands	Member
Novamont SpA (Novamont)	Trade and business associations	Italy	Member
Politechnika Łódzka (Lodz University of Technology) (TUL)	Academia, Research Institute and Think Tanks	Poland	Member
Stichting BirdLife Europe (BirdLife Europe)	NGOs	International	Member
Stichting Wageningen Research (WR)	Academia, Research Institute and Think Tanks	Netherlands	Member
FERN	NGOs	Belgium	Alternate member
Platform of Bioeconomy ERA-NET Actions (PLATFORM)	Academia, Research Institute and Think Tanks	Netherlands	Alternate member
Transport and Environment (European Federation for Transport and Environment) (T&E)	NGOs	Belgium	Alternate member

Type D - Member State Authority

Country		Membership Status
Finland	1 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
France	1 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member

Greece	1 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
Hungary	1 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
Italy	1 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
Poland	1 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
Spain	2 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
Sweden	1 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member

Subgroups

No Subgroups assigned to this group.

Statistics

Number of Members: 25

Type A - Individual expert appointed in his/her personal capacity:	0	female: 0	male: 0
Type B - Individual expert appointed as representative of a common interest:	0	female: 0	male: 0

Type C - Organisation: 17

Type D - Member State Authority: 8

Number of Alternate Members: 3

Type A - Individual expert appointed in his/her personal capacity:	0	female: 0	male: 0
Type B - Individual expert appointed as representative of a common interest:	0	female: 0	male: 0

Type C - Organisation: 3

Type D - Member State Authority: 0

Number of Observers: 0

Type A - Individual expert appointed in his/her personal capacity:	0	female: 0	male: 0
Type B - Individual expert appointed as representative of a common interest:	0	female: 0	male: 0

Type C - Organisation: 0

Type D - Member State Authority: 0