

## ENRD Thematic Group on 'Mainstreaming the Bioeconomy'

### Agenda - Third TG meeting – 15 May 2019

Rue de la Loi 38, 2nd floor, Brussels

The ENRD Thematic Group (TG) on 'Mainstreaming the Bioeconomy' aims at encouraging the development of **sustainable bioeconomy value chains** that promote employment and economic growth in rural areas, while preserving their eco-systems, and **identifying opportunities to support them through the Rural Development Programmes (RDPs)**.

The objective of this 3<sup>rd</sup> TG meeting is twofold:

- First, it will be an occasion to share and discuss awareness raising and knowledge transfer approaches that effectively reach rural stakeholders and increase their capacity to benefit from bioeconomy. This area of work was identified as a priority topic by the Thematic Group members in its first meeting.
- Secondly, the meeting is also the occasion to discuss the results of the analytical work of the Thematic Group, in particular the recommendations on the use of RDP measures and other EU funding instruments to promote sustainable rural bioeconomy value chains. The participants' contributions will be used to formulate and complement the draft recommendations that will then be presented in the ENRD Bioeconomy Seminar on 3 July 2019.

Timing	Agenda item
09.00 – 09.15	Registration
09.15 – 09.30	Welcoming message and agenda of the day
<b>Session 1: Awareness raising approaches to engage rural actors in bioeconomy</b>	
09.30 – 09.45	Introducing the session and its objectives



Timing	Agenda item
09.45 – 10.05	<i>Presentation:</i> Using Leader to advise rural SMEs on bioeconomy, FI
10.05 – 10.25	<i>Presentation:</i> Using EIP Operational Groups to inform farmers about sustainable bioenergy production, IT
<i>10.25 – 10.50</i>	<i>Coffee break</i>
10.50 – 11.10	<i>Presentation:</i> Getting Managing Authorities onboard: Awareness raising approaches of the BioEAST initiative
11.10 – 12.15	<p>Group discussion following the “Action Lab” method</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Four parallel discussion groups where all participants are invited to share experiences and ideas. Discussion will be introduced by approaches from selected initiatives: RUBIZMO, Power4Bio, BBI JU, Biolab Ponent</li> </ul>
12.15 – 12.30	<b>Wrapping up session 1</b>
<i>12.30 – 13.30</i>	<i>Networking lunch</i>
<b>Session 2: Recommendations on the use of RDPs and other instruments to promote rural bioeconomy</b>	
13.30 – 13.50	<b>Recommendations on the use of public instruments to promote rural bioeconomy</b>
13.50 – 15.00	<p><b>Discussion on the recommendations</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Facilitated discussion on the gaps, needs for improvement and distribution of the recommendations</li> </ul>
<i>15.00 – 15.30</i>	<i>Coffee break</i>
15.30 – 15.45	<b>Wrapping up the discussion on the recommendations</b>
15.45 – 16.15	<b>Joint social media action to raise awareness on bioeconomy and the Thematic Group’s work</b>
16.15 – 16.30	<b>Closing of the meeting</b>