







Bioeconomy, Regional Innovation Strategies and future funding opportunities

13th June 2013, 09.00-13.00

EU Navarra Office- Spanish Permanent Representation

Boulevard du Régent 52 – 1000 Brussels

Organised by RIM Plus and the ERRIN Bioeconomy, Food and Agriculture Working Group is the second in a series of four RIM Plus workshops in Brussels in 2013 and opens up the debate regarding the future opportunities and challenges for regions specialising in the bioeconomy.

The aim of the event is to provide an outlook on the "Bioeconomy Strategy for Europe" and a debate on its implantation. A focus on future funding opportunities under Horizon 2020 and on Cohesion Policy will be given, such as the Biobased Industries PPP, the EIP on Agricultural Productivity and Sustainability, KICs, JPIs, SF and other European instruments.

The workshop will start with the launch of the interactive online functionalities of the Regional Innovation Monitor Plus and how it can benefit regions by facilitating mutual learning about regional activities supporting innovation.

During the event, high-level speakers from the European Commission, S3 platform and other organisations will explore in depth the opportunities in terms of policy development and funding for the bioeconomy.

The targets are all regional actors and practitioners involved in the development and implementation of regional innovation strategies and smart specialisation related to the bioeconomy.

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9:00 Registration

9:30 Welcome: Milagros Candela, R&D+i Councillor, Spanish Permanent Representation (tbc)

9.40 Introduction: Richard Tuffs, Director, ERRIN

9.45 **"The Rim Plus Project" Strategies for Innovation in the Regions:** Lorena Rivera Leon Technopolis

10.00 Keynote speeches

A bioeconomy for Europe

• Tom Dodd, DG Research & Innovation, Horizontal Aspects Unit, Biotechnologies, Agriculture, Food Direction

EIP on Agriculture – future opportunities for regions

• Iman Boot DG Agri Deputy HoU Environment, Genetic Resources and EIP

H2020 – Opportunities for the Bioeconomy

• Barend Verachtert DG Research & Innovation, Acting HoU Biotechnologies

10.50 Coffee break

11.10 Panel moderated by Claire Skentelbery, Council of European BioRegions

Making the Bioeconomy happen

- A Member State point of view: Jose Manuel Gonzalez, NCP Knowledge Biobased Economy, CDTI, Spain
- Lead market initiatives and emerging industries, *Carsten Schierenbeck, DG Enterprise, Clusters and Support for SMEs Unit (tbc)*
- Biobased Industries PPP, Coordinator, Dirk Carrez (tbc)
- S3 Platform Seville, *Alexander Kleibrink (tbc)*
- Rim Plus Expert, Martin Charter Director of The Centre for Sustainable Design
- Rim Plus Expert, Mikael Edelstam CEO of Miljöstrategi AB (tbc)
- Climate KIC, name
- Bayer Crop Science Julia Sauer tbc

12.30 Discussion

13.00 Wrap up and Conclusions: Richard Tuffs, Director, ERRIN