**Chemistry for Bioeconomy and Circular economy** 





What is the bioeconomy?

An economy using biological resources from the land and sea, as well as waste, as inputs to food and feed, industrial and energy production.

https://ilbioeconomista.com/



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## The end of an era



The Oil age will end long before we run out of oil And while running out, it will become much more expensive

"The Stone Age didn't end because we ran out of stones", Yamani, 1973



**Bio-based vs Oil-based** 

In times of historically low oil and coal prices a bioeconomy will only gradually emerge. In light of the COP 21 targets on GHG reduction, transition is a major urgency.

The IMF estimated the global subsidies on fossil fuels in 2015 at 5.3 trillion USD.



**Towards the bioeconomy** 

"Europe needs to make the transition to a postpetroleum economy. Greater use of renewable resources is no longer just an option, it is a necessity. We must drive the transition from a fossil-based to a bio-based society with research and innovation as the motor. This is good for our environment, our food and energy security, and for Europe's competitiveness for the future."

Máire Geoghegan-Quinn

Past Commissioner for Research and Innovation



**The European Strategy** 

Innovating for Sustainable Growth

European

A Bioeconomy for Europe The European Commission has adopted a strategy to shift the European economy towards greater and more sustainable use of renewable resources. The Commission's strategy and action plan,

## "Innovating for Sustainable Growth: a Bioeconomy for Europe",

outlines a coherent, **cross-sectoral and interdisciplinary** approach to the issue. The goal is a more innovative and low-emissions economy, reconciling market demands while ensuring biodiversity and environmental protection..









The BioCircular Economy

Bioeconomy is an integrated part of sustainable circular economy.

The European Circular Economy Package offers great opportunities to reuse the vast majority of all bio waste and (unexploited) biomass stocks by 2030.

This involves systemic and efficient approaches across sectors, particularly innovation policy measures that aim to optimise bio-economy value networks and minimise waste and loss.





# The bioeconomy: Manifesto of Utrecht

4<sup>th</sup> EU Bioeconomy Stakeholders' Conference, Utrecht (NL) 12-13 April 2016 <u>www.bioeconomyutrecht2016.eu</u>

A European bioeconomy should contribute significantly to the goals formulated at COP 21 on greenhouse gas emission reductions, holding the global temperature rise below 2°C, using sustainable biomass in the most effective and efficient ways to produce food, materials, chemicals and energy.

# Bioeconomy in Europe



In Europe: about 2.000 Bil €/y and 20.0 Mil of jobs

# Bioeconomy in Italy: some figures



#### **R&D:**

- High participation in H2020 programs dealing with Bioeconomy
- Qualified R&I public/private actors
- Sometimes fragmented, limited infrastructures, few national funds





#### Fabio Fava

Italian Representative for Horizon2020 SC2 and for the Joint Technology Initiative "Biobased Industry".



*Promoted by: Italian Presidency of Council of Ministers* 





Ministero dello sviluppo economico

#### Involved:

- Committee Productive Activities
- Regions Conference
- Agency for Territorial Cohesion





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www.agenziacoesione.gov.it/it/Notizie\_e\_documenti/news/2016/novembre/Documento\_0014



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# **Bioeconomy policies in the world**



https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=707pqs\_NaEI

# Territories and communities at the core of Integrated Biorefineries





La sfida che ci sta di fronte, quella per far ripartire l'economia, è una **rivoluzione industriale** che **rovescia il rapporto con il territorio**. Per oltre due secoli abbiamo assistito a una corsa a impianti sempre più grandi, con l'ambiente ridotto al ruolo di miniera e di discarica, con un inquinamento crescente, con una **contrapposizione sempre più evidente tra lavoro e salute.** 

#### Catia Bastioli



Non si può più progettare lo sviluppo a tavolino, con formule anonime da replicare, con poche varianti, in tutto il pianeta.

Utilizzare i materiali prodotti come soluzioni per risolvere problemi, fornire servizi, **aumentare la qualità della vita**, assicurando un vantaggio per tutti e una capacità competitiva per la **collettività**, che si riconosce nel progetto e si impegna per il suo successo.

Amministratore delegato di Novamont, presidente di Terna, presidente del Kyoto Club, presidente del Cluster Tecnologico Nazionale SPRING.



Italian Cluster of Green Chemistry



## **Italian Biorefineries**



#### Plemonte PLOT PLANT Fatty Alcohol (Rivelte Scrivis - AL) PLOT PLANT Biomonomens (Novana)

(HOUSTBAL PLANT) Lignocellulosic Bioethanol (Crescentino – VC)

FLARGHIP Succinic Acid (Connero Spinola – AL)

#### Lombardia PLOTEANT for E

Butadiene (Marta

Veneto FLASSHIP 1.4 BDO (Adria - RO)

#### Umbria <u>ELOTELAN</u> and ( Oleaginous crops

Biolubricants fro

#### based on Starch a from vegetable oils (Terri)

Employment

FLASSHEP Aviation Fuel I

**~ 105.000** (Biopharma, biotextile, leather, bioenergy, biofuels Biobased-chemicals and materials)

## **Annual Turnover**

~ € 27 Billion
 (Biopharma, biotextile, leather, bioenergy, biofuels
 Biobased chemicals and materials)

After: Eurostat data and Banca Intesa

# **R&I** Activities

- SSI





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# **Italian Bioeconomy**





alian Association for the Development of Biotechnology

#### **Porto Torres: From a traditional petrochemical site to an innovative biorefinery**





- 7 plants in 3 phases
   350,000 tons bio-based products (monomers, bio-plastics, biolubricants, oils for rubber industry , additives)
   New R&S centre
- □ More than 300 jobs

#### Investments

#### Overall JV investments: €500m Equity capex >€100m





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## **GFBiochemicals**

#### FIRST COMPANY TO PRODUCE LEVULINIC ACID DIRECTLY FROM BIOMASS AT COMMERCIAL SCALE

#### Basics:

- > Proprietary technology portfolio
- > Production assets Start-up phase
- > Experienced R&D, Engineering & Commercial team
- > Pilot plant and application laboratories
- > Established : 2008
- > Employees : 50

Our Mission: Bringing levulinic acid to the market by technology innovation

#### **Our locations:**



GF Biochemicals



## The Italian Bioeconomy seen from abroad

**Italy plays an important role in the European bioeconomy**. The whole agro-food value chain in Italy is worth €152 billion each year, employs more than 1.2 million workers and generates 10% of the national GDP, thus representing one of the largest European agro-food value chains. Furthermore, <u>considering that the bioeconomy is not</u> only about the agro-food value chain, the Italian industry is also at the forefront of both the research and the production of new bio-based products, such as bioplastics and second generation biofuels. The Italian government is aware of the benefits of a coordinated bioeconomy strategy and expressed interest in possibly hosting the annual Bioeconomy Stakeholders Conference in Italy in 2014.

## Italian Bioeconomy Strategy: main priorities

- Improve sustainability, productivity and quality of products
- More efficiently interconnections
- Creating locally rooted value chains
- Public and private <u>stakeholders</u> engagement
- Valorization of terrestrial/marine biodiversity,
- **Ecosystem** services within a circularity approach
- Regenerate marginal lands and dismissed industrial sites
- **Growth of Bioeconomy in the <u>Mediterranean</u> area**
- Wider social cohesion and political stability in the area
- Wider and more coherent <u>political commitment</u>
- Increase investments in R&I, SMEs, education, training, communication
- Coordination between regional, national and EU policies
- **Better engagement of a public dialogue while boosting <u>market development</u>**

## Increase Italian Bioeconomy turnover and jobs by 20% by 2030.



## Uno sguardo allargato alla realtà italiana

## 3 RISULTATI GENERALI PER L'ITALIA

Figura 29 Posizionamento dell'Italia nel Global Green Economy Index™ (GGEI)





Per quanto riguarda la quota del consumo finale lordo (Cfl) soddisfatto con **fonti energetiche rinnovabili, nel 2014 l'Italia** secondo i dati Eurostat - **ha raggiunto il 17,1%, superiore alla media europea del 16% e al 1° posto fra i cinque grandi Paesi europei**, seguita da Spagna (16,2 %),Francia (14,3%), Germania (13,8%) e Regno Unito (7%).

Nel riciclo dei rifiuti urbani l'Italia (dati 2014), col 42%, si colloca un punto percentuale sotto la media Ue28 e al 3° posto fra i cinque grandi Paesi europei

## Uno sguardo allargato alla realtà italiana

Nel 2012 sono state riciclate in Italia circa 99 milioni di tonnellate di **rifiuti speciali**, pari al 76% dei rifiuti prodotti. **Rispetto ai cinque principali Paesi europei, l'Italia si colloca al primo posto**.

La produttività delle risorse, misurata come consumo interno di materiali per unita di Pil (in euro di Pil per chilogrammo di materiale consumato) - colloca l'Italia al secondo posto, con 3 euro al kg, meglio della media europea (2 €/kg).

Per quanto riguarda l'ecoinnovazione – (brevetti e le pubblicazioni, i benefici ambientali e i benefici socio economici in termini di occupazione, esportazioni e fatturato) - l'Italia ha una posizione al di sopra della media europea, ma al 3° posto della classifica dei cinque grandi Paesi.

**Con 1,4 milioni di ettari coltivati con criteri biologici**, pari all'11,2% della superficie agricola utilizzata, ben superiore alla media europea, **l'Italia si colloca in Europa al 2° posto**, dopo la Spagna.

L'Italia si colloca, ben al di sopra della media, al 1° posto in Europa per prodotti agroalimentari certificati per qualità e tracciabilità, che coinvolgono circa un quarto dell'intera produzione agricola nazionale, davanti a Francia, Spagna, Germania e Regno Unito.

Per quanto riguarda il consumo di suolo, col 7% l'Italia è in una condizione peggiore della media europea (4,3%), in 4° posizione fra i cinque grandi Paesi europei, e simile alla Germania (7,2%.)

The Actors Boosting Italian Biorefineries and Bioeconomy





Sustainable Processes and Resources for Innovation and National Growth

Italian Cluster of Green Chemistry

CLUSTER NAZIONALE BLUE GROWTH

# Mission : Overcoming fragmentation Public-private aggregations of stakeholders in a specific thematic area of strategic relevance for Italian industry Cooperation between public and private R&I

The National Technological Cluster on Green Chemistry





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☐ Interlocutor of National Institutions

Inspiring policies and strategies to support R&D

 Promotion of territorial
 cooperation and macroregional sinergies



Identification of main national R&I needs
 Promoting IT priorities inside EU funding programs

**Promoting the participation of Italian public and private stakeholders in regional, national and EU funding programs** 

# Bioeconomy in Europe



Come raggiungere una crescita intelligente, sostenibile ed inclusiva? Investendo in ricerca ed innovazione

#### 80 Miliardi € (2014-2020)

3.8 Miliardi € per i settori di ricerca della filiera bioeconomia

THE EU FRAMEWORK PROGRAMME FOR RESEARCH AND INNOVATION

HORIZON 2020

Creating the right framework conditions for growth

#### Europe 2020

Specifici per l'innovazione dell'industria per la bio-economia: € 3.7 Miliardi (1/3 pubblico, 2/3 privato)



A PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP ON BIO-BASED INDUSTRIES



Horizon 2020, the EU Commission R&I funding programme (~79 Bil, 2014-2020)





# Horizon 2020: three pillars



European Commission

## Horizon 2020, the EU Commission R&I funding programme (~79 Bil, 2014-2020) Societal challenges



- 1. Health, demographic change and wellbeing (7.472 Bln)
- 2. Food security, sustainable agriculture and forestry, marine and maritime and inland water research, and the bioeconomy (3.851 Bln)
- 3. Secure, clean and efficient energy (5.931 Bln)
- 4. Smart, green and integrated transport (6.339 Bln)
- 5. Climate action, resource efficiency and raw materials (3.081 Bln)
- 6. Inclusive, innovative and reflective societies (1.310 Bln)
- 7. Secure societies (1.695 Bln)



Budget: ~ 750 M €

# IT participation in SC2 2015 calls (c)

#### **Retained - Requested EU contribution** UK 22.745.611,25 NL 18.463.562,86 10.37% 17.675.179,00 IT ES 17.285.780,29 DF 15.446.558,84 FR 14.055.804,34 NO 10.168.952,46 BE 6.437.574,23 SE 5.431.526,87 FI 4.975.101,26 IE 4.715.990,08 DK 4.402.911,42 PT 3.629.991,97 FI 3.371.856,37 AT 3.223.840,10

A Public-Private Partnership on Bio-Based Industries

Realising the European Bio-economy Potential

- Partners:
  - European Union (via EC)
  - Bio-based Industries Consortium (BIC)



€ 3.7 Billion (1/3 public, 2/3 private) 2014-2020

Supported by





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## http://www.bbi-europe.eu/

# **About BBI JU**

## **Objectives**

- <u>De-risk</u> investments;
- Organize the value chains;
- Reach critical mass of this "emerging" sector

# The members of BIC

More than 200, from Agriculture, Agro-food, Forestry / Pulp and Paper, Biotechnology, Chemicals, Energy sectors

## 77 Full members

- •43 Large industries
- •19 SMEs
- 15 Clusters

#### 142 Associate members

- •47 Universities
- •71 RTOs
- 10 European Associations
- •7 Associations
- 5 Technology platforms
- 1 Public institution
- •1 Bank



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## **Italian partners of BIC (March 2016)**

#### **Full members**

BioChemtex

GFBiochemicals Italy S.p.A.

Novamont

Soremartec - Gruppo Ferrero

**ENI-** Versalis

#### **Associated members**

SPRING



#### ENEA

National Interuniversity Consortium of Materials (INSTM)

Re-cord, University of Florence

Alma Mater Studiorum-Università di Bologna

Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore

University of Modena and Reggio Emilia – Unimore

University of Naples "Federico II"

# The focus

Strategic Innovation and Research Agenda (SIRA)

Bio-based and Renewable Industries for Development and Growth In Europe



## The strategic Innovation & Research Agenda

Value Chain 1: Lignocellulosic

Value Chain 2: Forest-based

Value Chain 3: Agro-based

Value Chain 4: Organic waste





Value Chain 5: Energy, pulp and chemicals biorefineries

Italian presence in the funded proposals

## Call 2014:



NOVAMONT, UNIBO, MATRICA, UNITO, FIAT, BARILLA,

AEP Polymer SrI (TS).

# Call 2015.1: BIOCHEMTEX , AGRICONSULTING SPA

## Call 2015.2:

FVA SAS, UNIBO, CIAOTECH Srl, GFBiochemicals Italy S.p.A. (LEAD, IA), NOVAMONT, LABORATORI ARCHA SRL, ARDAGH GROUP ITALY SRL, BARILLA, CHIESA VIRGINIO, FEMTO ENGINEERING SRL, INSTM, MYCOPLAST, SSICA, CENTRO EUROPEO PER I POLIMERI NANOSTRUTTURATI SCARL, UNINA FEDERICO II, UNIPR, ARTERRA BIOSCIENCE SRL, CENTRO RICERCHE FIAT SCPA, CNR, CONAIBO. **Research and innovation** 

supply chains for the bio-based industry

BBI 2017.R1 – Valorisation of gaseous side streams from bio-based operations into chemical building blocks BBI 2017.R2 – Innovative technologies for the pre-treatment and separation of lignocellulosic feedstock and complex composition streams into valuable fractions while maintaining key characteristics BBI 2017.R3 – Exploiting extremophiles and extremozymes to broaden the processing conditions to convert biomass into high-value building blocks BBI 2017.R4 – Proteins and other bioactive ingredients from side streams and residues BBI 2017.R5 – Novel bio-based chemical precursors to improve the performance of mass consumption products BBI 2017.R6 – Competitive biodegradable, compostable and/or recyclable bio-based plastics for a sustainable end-of-life phase BBI 2017.R7 – Novel secondary bio-based chemicals without significant fossil-based counterparts but with high application potential BBI 2017.D1 – Valorisation of liquid and solid side streams from bio-based operations into high added-value products to create new feedstock for bio-based products BBI 2017.D2 – Integrated multi-valorisation of algae into advanced materials and high added-value additives BBI 2017.D3 – Breakthrough primary bio-based chemicals without significant fossil-based counterparts but with high marketability BBI 2017.D4 – Innovative bio-based fertilising products to increase the sustainability of fertilising practices in agriculture BBI 2017.D5 – Advanced bio-based fibres and materials for large-volume applications BBI 2017.F1 – Integrated 'zero waste' biorefinery utilising all fractions of the feedstock for production of chemicals and materials BBI 2017.F2 – Large-scale production of proteins for food and feed applications from alternative, sustainable sources BBI 2017.S1 – Establish cooperation and partnership with brand owners and consumer representatives to improve the market access of sustainable bio-based products

BBI 2017.S2 – Identify opportunities for ICT to increase the efficiency of biomass

ANNUAL WORK PLAN and Budget 2017

for the Bio-Based Industries Joint Undertaking

## The strategy of EU programming





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# New players for Bioeconomy? Bio-based bricks

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