



EP INTERGROUP ON CLIMATE CHANGE, BIODIVERSITY AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT



LUNCH MEETING

The Role of Bioeconomy in Climate Change Mitigation

29 September 2015

12:30-16:00

Room JAN 4Q2

European Parliament, Brussels

Chaired by

Miapetra Kumpula-Natri MEP

Chair of the Working Group on “*Bioeconomy*” of the European Parliament Intergroup on “*Climate Change, Biodiversity and Sustainable Development*”

AGENDA

All sectors related to bioeconomy are key players in ensuring sustainable supply of renewable raw materials and products, as well as enhancing resource efficiency in the European Union.

The objective of this meeting is to explore to what extent and under which conditions the bioeconomy can contribute to reducing greenhouse gas emissions. Estimates foresee a global contribution of the bioeconomy to climate change mitigation by 1 to 2.5 billion tons CO₂ equivalent by 2030. How can the EU unlock this potential?

This question will be debated among Members of the European Parliament, representatives of the European Commission, of the business sector, of the NGO world, and academic institutions.

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12:00-12:30 Registration, Altiero Spinelli building, Place du Luxembourg

12:30-13:30 Networking lunch, JAN 3Q Brasserie

Opening

13:30-13:35 Welcoming address by **Miapetra Kumpula-Natri MEP**

13:35-13:45 Opening speech by **Pavel Poc MEP**, chair of the Intergroup

The bio-based industries and their contribution to climate change mitigation

13:45-14:00 **Peter Wehrheim**, Head of Unit “Climate Finance and Deforestation”, DG Climate Action, European Commission

14:00-14:15 **Ernst Worrell**, Professor “Energy, Material and the Environment”, Utrecht University

14:15-14:30 **Linde Zuidema**, Bioenergy and export credit agencies campaigner, FERN

14:30-14:45 **Matthew Reddy**, World Business Council for Sustainable Development

14:45-15:20 Reactions from MEPs

- **Julie Girling** – United Kingdom, ECR
- **Linnéa Engström** – Sweden, Greens/EFA
- **Lambert van Nistelrooij** – The Netherlands, EPP

15:20-15:40 Questions and Answers

15:40-15:50 Discussion on a Draft Resolution to be adopted as a contribution from the Intergroup to the 21st UNFCCC Conference of the Parties

- Statement from the European Bioeconomy Alliance

15:50-16:00 Concluding remarks by **Miapetra Kumpula-Natri MEP**

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