



EU Projects funded under the Bio-Based Industries initiative

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Bioeconomy Overview



Use biological resources instead of fossil material.

Bioeconomy combines research, innovation, technology,
environment & economy

The challenges:

- Climate change and scarcity of resources
- Dependency on fossils vs. biological material
- Global challenge requires international cooperation
- Shared responsibility acting together for SDG

→ Public dialogue through multidisciplinary networks and platforms – policy makers support needed!





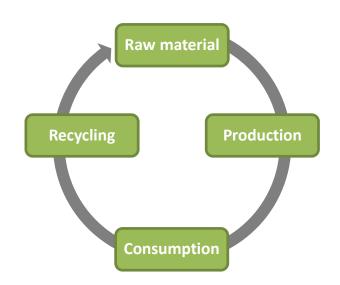


Bioeconomy Solutions





- Research and innovation for economic development without diminishing natural resources
- Through integration of technology and natural sciences
- → sustainable, circular economy
- Industrial nations pioneers in bioeconomy (policies and strategies)
- Austrian national bioeconomy R&I strategy since January 2018, action plan since 2015







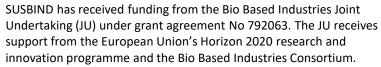
SUSBIND Challenge



SUStainable BINDers: Development and pilot production of sustainable bio-binder systems for woodbased panels (RIA)

- Current binders for wood particle boards are fossil-based
- No industrial bio-based binder available
- Upcoming regulations: reduce formaldehyde emissions
- Consumers willing to pay "more" for green products









SUSBIND Impact



- By-product as feedstock to produce bio-based binders
- Green advantage strengthen the European furniture industry, over low price imported products
- Help mitigate climate change
- Benefits for public health, strengthening rural economies





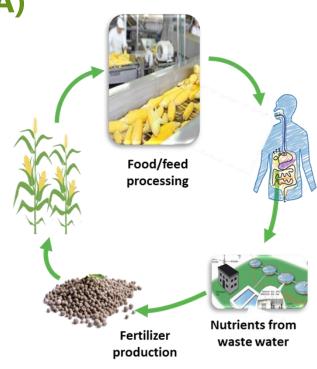


SUSFERT Challenge



SUStainable multifunctional FERTiliser – combining bio-coatings, probiotics and struvite for phosphorus and iron supply (IA)

- Rising demand for sustainably produced food and feed
- Standard fertilisers are nonrenewable, resource-intense
- Dependency on imported resources
- Nutrient availability not always meeting plant needs



Example: Struvite cycle





SUSFERT Impact



- Develop multi-functional fertilisers for phosphorus and iron supply
 - → less mined, imported phosphate rock (by 40%)
- Uses by-products from wastewater treatment, bioethanol production and pulp & paper industry
 - → strengthens the circular economy and rural communities
- Controlled release of nutrients
 - >reduces soil and water contamination































Fact box



- Research & Innovation Action (RIA)
- Target TRL: 5
- Number of partners: 11
- Start: 1st May 2018
- Duration: 4 years
- Budget: €5.5 Mio.
- BBI-JU funding: €4.1 Mio.



- Innovation Action (IA)
- Target TRL: 8
- Close to market
- Number of partners: 11
- Start: 1st May 2018
- Duration: 5 years
- Budget: €9.4 Mio.
- BBI-JU funding: €6.6 Mio.









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