

# ***From research to reality: How Europe's bioeconomy is leading the way to a truly circular economy***

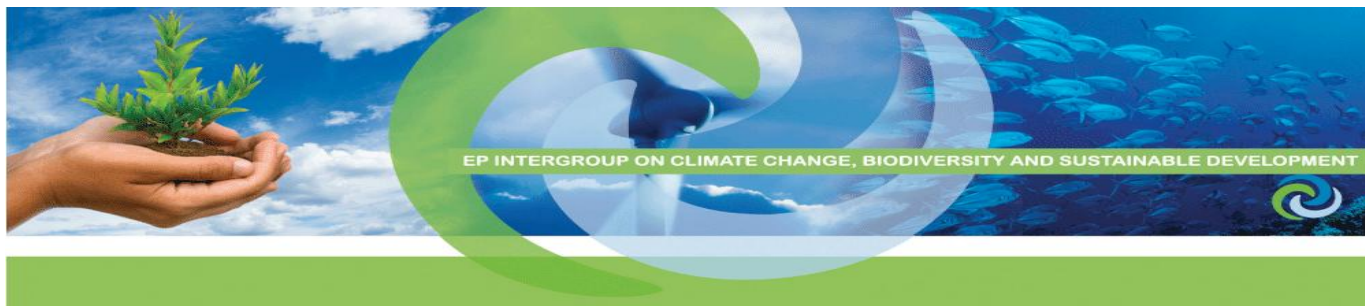
**Thursday, 4 October 2018**  
**09:30-11:00**  
**Room Louise Weiss N3.5**  
European Parliament, Strasbourg

Chaired by:

**Miapetra Kumpula-Natri MEP**

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

Across Europe, innovative companies are growing the bio-based economy, helping create jobs, spurring research and improving people's lives. From planet-friendly bioplastics to new food ingredients, renewable energy solutions to sustainably produced chemicals, bioeconomy industries represent a resource-efficient and largely waste-free use of Europe's renewable raw materials. This breakfast event will spotlight several European bioeconomy players who have moved beyond research and are already helping create a truly circular economy. This event is co-organised with the European Bioeconomy Alliance and the European Regions Research and Innovation Network.



## DRAFT AGENDA

**09:00-09:30**      Networking breakfast

**09:30-09:35**      Welcome by **Miapetra Kumpula-Natri, MEP**

**“Dragon’s Den” style presentations on successful Bioeconomy practices  
across Europe with the potential for replication or scaling-up:**

**09:35-09:50**      ***EU projects funded under the Bio-Based Industries Joint  
Undertaking: Susfert and Susbind***  
Introduced by **MEP Franc Bogovič**  
**Stephen Webb**, RTDS Group, Austria

**09:50-10:05**      ***Bioplastics from wool residues***  
Introduced by **MEP Francesc Gambús**  
**Borja Fernández-d'Arlas**, Universidad Pública de Navarra,  
Spain

**10:05-10:20**      ***Micro-Alges and the Blue Biotechnology***  
Introduced by **MEP Isabelle Thomas (tbc)**  
**Philippe Dreno**, President of Algosource, France

**10:20-10:35**      ***Scale down approach for biochemical engineering***  
Introduced by **MEP Paul Brannen**  
**Raimo van der Linden**, Bioprocess Pilot Facility, The  
Netherlands

**10:35-10:55**      **Discussion with the audience**

**10:55-11:00**      Closing remarks by **MEP Lieve Wierinck**