



Final Conference

AGENDA

Tuesday 23rd of January 2024

Venue: Hotel Hafen, Seewartenstraße 9, 20456 Hamburg

08:00 Registration and poster placement



Session 1: Introducing bio-based plastics and BIO-PLASTICS EUROPE project

Moderator: Prof. Dr. Žaneta Stasiškienė, Kaunas University of Technology

09:00 Opening and welcome notes
Prof. Walter Leal (Hamburg University of Applied Sciences, Germany)

09:10 Welcome by the BIO-PLASTICS EUROPE EU officer
Dr. Evdokia Achilleos (REA, EU Officer)

09:20 Global ocean plastic pollution – can bioplastics do better?
Dr. Lars Gutow (Alfred-Wegener-Institute, Germany)

09:35 Bioplastics fit for the future: opportunities and challenges
Hasso von Pogrell (European Bioplastics Association, Germany)

09:50 Perspectives of the European bioeconomy: Role of bio-based plastics
Dr. Andre Wolf (CEP, Germany)

10:05 Contribution of the BIO-PLASTICS EUROPE project
Dr. Jelena Barbir (Hamburg University of Applied Sciences, Germany)

10:20 Panel discussion

10:30 COFFEE BREAK



Session 2: Role of Science in Bio-Plastics Industry

Moderator: Carolyn Brand, Prospex Institute

11:00 Challenges and opportunities in bioplastics world for producers
Dr. Ari Rosling (Artic Biomaterials, Finland)

11:10 Bio-based and biodegradable plastics through the lens of the scientists
Dr. Emma Strömberg (Swedish Environmental Research Institute, Sweden)

11:20 The business perspective and the role of innovative business

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models in promoting circular bioeconomy
Dr. Eleonora Foschi (University of Bologna, Italy)

11:30 Waste management companies - role of bioplastics
Prof. Dr. Žaneta Stasiškienė (Kaunas University of Technology, Lithuania)

11:40 Panel discussion



Session 3: Policy Session

Moderator: Emma Strömberg, Swedish Environmental Research Institute

12:00 A European policy framework for bio-based, biodegradable and compostable plastics
Dr. Paola Migliorini (EU Policy Officer – Deputy head of Unit ENV.B1)

12:10 Horizon Europe R&I programming on bio-based and biodegradable plastics
Dr. Silvia Maltagliati (EU Policy Officer, Unit B1 – Green Transitions)

12:20 BIO-PLASTICS EUROPE: Projects2Policy concept
Dr. Jelena Barbir (Hamburg University of Applied Sciences, Germany)

12:30 SEALIVE: Policy Conclusions from the SEALIVE Project
Dr. Andrew Farmer (Institute for European Environmental Policy, UK)

12:40 Panel discussion

13:00 LUNCH BREAK



Session 4: Stakeholders Engagement and Impact

Moderator: Angela Hahn, Prospex Institute

14:00 The impact journey of BIO-PLASTICS EUROPE
Carolyn Brand (Prospex Institute, Belgium)

14:15 Stakeholder engagement – projects
Dr. Jelena Barbir (Hamburg University of Applied Sciences, Germany)

14:30 Stakeholder engagement – companies
Prof. Dr. Angelo Paletta and Dr. Genc Alimehmeti (University of Bologna, Italy)

14:45 Stakeholder engagement – municipalities
Prof. Dr. Žaneta Stasiškienė (Kaunas University of Technology, Lithuania)

15:00 Panel discussion

15:30 COFFEE BREAK



Session 5: Further Collaborations, Clustering and Networks

Moderator: Carolyn Brand, Prospex Institute

16:00 How to establish new collaborations and maintain the existing ones?

Prof. Dr. Walter Leal (Hamburg University of Applied Sciences, Germany)

16.20 The Crowdhelix methodology for clustering, knowledge sharing and open Innovation

Dr. Valeria Pulieri, Impact Acceleration Manager (Crowdhelix, Italy)

16.40 **ROUND TABLE**

Pathways Forward: Shaping the Future of Bio-Based Plastics in Europe

17:30 Wrap up

18:00 End of the conference

19:00 Dinner at O'Farol