

2nd BioINSouth forum

Seville, Spain
11-12 June 2026



South Europe to lead the bioeconomy

Escuela de Organización Industrial (EOI), C/ Leonardo da Vinci, 41092.
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Satellite Events

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Private event: STRONGBIONET Kick-off Meeting

Wednesday, 10 June, 09:00 – 16:00

Private event: Spanish Regional Synergy in Circular Bioeconomy

Wednesday, 10 June, 16:00 – 18:00

Private event: SYMBIO Focus Group

Wednesday, 10 June, 15:00 – 18:00

Andalusian Forum on Circular Bioeconomy

Thursday, 11 June, 09:00 – 14:20

Mainly in Spanish

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Registration

15:30 – 16:00

Introduction and Institutional Welcome

16:00 – 16:15

Opening greetings by institutional representatives and brief framing of the meeting objectives

- Mario Bonaccorso, SPRING - The Italian Bioeconomy Cluster, BioINSouth project coordinator
- CTA – Technological Corporation of Andalusia, host of the 2nd BioINSouth Forum
- Regional Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries, Water and Rural Development of the Government of Andalusia

BioINSouth: goals and challenges

16:15 – 16:30

The BioINSouth experience so far: 2 years of successful implementation

- Pierluigi Argoneto, SPRING - The Italian Bioeconomy Cluster, BioINSouth project coordinator

The BioINSouth HUBs

16:30 – 17:30

Overview of the eight regional HUBs and their role in BioINSouth (HUB Coordinators)

Moderated by SPRING - The Italian Bioeconomy Cluster

- Andalusia
- Asturias
- Campania
- Centro
- Cyprus
- Nouvelle-Aquitaine
- Peloponnese
- Slovenia

Coffee & poster session

17:30 – 18:00

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Open discussion on regional strategies' development

18:00 – 18:50

Interactive discussion on the development of regional bioeconomy strategies, focusing on shared priorities, stakeholder needs, and opportunities for alignment across the BioINSouth HUBs.

- All HUB coordinators
- Moderated by CTA – Technological Corporation of Andalusia

Conclusions

18:50 – 19:00

Summary of key takeaways, next steps, and closing remarks.

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Introduction

09:00 – 09:30

Day 1 Wrap-up & Day 2 Road Map

CTA – Technological Corporation of Andalusia

The New EU Bioeconomy Strategy and the role of regions

09:30 – 10:00

Keynote speech by Barbara Smalajić, Bioeconomy and Sustainable Materials at DG Environment EC

Why is a BioSouth Initiative needed?

10:00 – 11:00

Round table on the rationale for a dedicated BioSouth initiative, addressing regional needs, shared challenges, and opportunities for strengthening bioeconomy development across Southern Europe.

Moderated by Mario Bonaccorso, SPRING

- Barna Kovacs - BioEast
- Barbara Smalajic – DG Envi
- Sami Hout Ledo – DG RTD
- Wolfgang Munch – DG Regio
- Mar Cátedra - Andalusia region
- Pasquale Marcello Falcone – Campania region

Coffee & poster session

11:00 – 11:30

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Connecting regional strengths to build a stronger EU

11:30 – 12:30

Round table on how regional assets, capacities, and priorities can be connected to support a more resilient, competitive, and cohesive European bioeconomy.

Moderated by María García, CTA

- Alessandra Zampieri, Joint Research Centre (JRC)
- Rafael Castillo, Circular Cities and Regions Initiative (CCRI)
- Inge Arents, European Bioeconomy Clusters Alliance (EBCA)
- Inazio Martinez, BioRegions Facility
- Angeliki Foutri, Cluster of Bioeconomy and Environment of Western Macedonia - CluBE (BIO-INSPIRE)
- Pierluigi Argoneto, SPRING – Italian Bioeconomy Cluster (STRONGBIONET)

Lunch & poster session

12:30 – 14:00

The Bioeconomy and the Green Transition for a competitive and resilient EU

14:00 – 14:30

Keynote speech by Nicolò Giacomuzzi-Moore, Executive Director at CBE JU

From lab to market: it's time to deliver

14:30 – 15:30

Exchange on accelerating the uptake, deployment, and scaling of bio-based solutions.

Moderated by Inma Sánchez, LEITAT

- Estela López-Hermoso – Bio-based Industries Consortium
- Inés Herrero - Biomixing
- Manuel Lainez - Fundación Grupo Cajamar
- Tanja Meyer - Bio Base Europe Pilot Plant

Closure

15:30 – 16:00