

Co-creation workshop 'Future skills for Bioeconomy'

Forestry

Identify the future skills and related educational needs

Transition2BIO Co-creation workshop

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14th of June 2022, 15:00 CEST/16:00 EEST Platform: Microsoft Teams

The University of Bologna, the University of Eastern Finland and the Horizon 2020 funded project Transition2BIO organise the **co-creation workshop ‘Future skills for Bioeconomy’ – Forestry**, which aims to identify the future skills and related educational needs in the European bioeconomy.

The workshop will focus on the **Forestry** sector and is the second of five co-creation workshops ‘Future skills for Bioeconomy’ focusing on different bioeconomy sectors. These workshops will be organised by Transition2BIO and the University of Bologna, together with external institutions leading each sector.

Providing the needed skills and meeting the educational needs in the European bioeconomy are key challenges for a change in our economy. The European Commission stated in its Updated Bioeconomy Strategy that *“The systemic and cross-cutting nature of new and emerging bioeconomy approaches and new value chains will need new education and skills.”*

Among its objectives, Transition2BIO will facilitate the identification of the educational and training needs towards the creation of an innovation ecosystem for the bioeconomy. The results of the co-creation workshops will be summarised in a public report and will be used for the delivery of a policy brief aimed to **inform policymakers and other stakeholders** about the issues and possible solutions to meet the identified skills and educational needs.

'Future skills for Bioeconomy' activities will use a **bottom-up approach** to identify and define the skills for the development of the new workforce in the bioeconomy, involving all the key stakeholders.

The participants will have the opportunity to provide their opinions and points of view on this topic, contributing to the research of the University of Bologna within the H2020 project Transition 2BIO.

During the event, the main objectives and outputs of the project will be presented, as well as the results from previous projects and initiatives on bioeconomy education. Inputs from participants will be collected through an **online survey** and a **moderated discussion using an online interactive platform**.

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Transition2BIO

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Target audience

The organisers encourage the participation of EU funded projects in bioeconomy education, EU and local institutions, universities, policymakers, private companies, associations, teachers, students, and whoever may be interested in or have something to say about the future skills and related educational needs to build the future workforce of the European bioeconomy.

The workshop will be conducted in English.

Registration

Please register online for the workshop at this link:

<https://forms.office.com/r/2PaA3hZrJ8>

Participants will receive the link for the virtual meeting by email.

The deadline for the registration is 10th June 2022.

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Time	Title	Speaker
5'	Welcome and introduction	Prof. Jouni Pykäläinen , University of Eastern Finland
10'	Transition2BIO overview, objectives and outputs	Ms. Christina Balla , Q- PLAN
15'	Scope of the workshop and results from previous projects and initiatives on bioeconomy education	Mr. Marco Maria Grande , University of Bologna
15'	Brief presentation of the results of the survey and feedback from participants	Mr. Marco Maria Grande , University of Bologna
60'	Discussion through interactive platform	Moderators: Prof. Jouni Pykäläinen , University of Eastern Finland Ms. Diana-Cristina Simon , University of Eastern Finland Ms. Katri Rusanen , University of Eastern Finland Mr. Marco Maria Grande , University of Bologna
10'	Conclusions and final remarks	Prof. Jouni Pykäläinen , University of Eastern Finland

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