



Bioeconomy week

at Agricultural University- Plovdiv

9 - 13 October



AgroDigiRise



Programme

Monday 09.10.2023

9:30 Official opening of Bioeconomy week at AUP (Rectorate Hall)

9:45 Presentation of AUP projects on the topic of bioeconomy (Rectorate Hall)

10:15 Official announcement of the **Regional Bioeconomy Hub Plovdiv** (Rectorate Hall)

10:45 Presentations to students of **Erasmus +**, the European University Alliance **UNIGreen** and **EIT Food**
(Auditorium 5)

14:00-15:00 Students class: Circular biobased economy Part 1: Introduction to exercise - lecturer Robert van Loo, Wageningen University and Research (WUR), online session
(Hall 104 in New building)

15:00-16:30 Bioeconomy Research Showcases- facilitator Mrs. Liina Rae, BiOrbic, University College of Dublin (online session)

- Flagship net zero carbon demo farm
- Consumers & biobased products
- Life cycle assessment for agri-businesses
- Education and Public Engagement: Biobus (Bioeconomy mobile exhibit 5-week tour of Ireland) & Generation Glas (Youth ambassadors of sustainability)

(Hall 104 in New building)

Tuesday 10.10.2023

9:30 Official opening of the **Center for Innovative Educational Technologies** at AUP- Prof. Tonya Georgieva

8:30-18:00 **SCOOP project**: Developing intercropping systems with camelina to increase the yield and quality parameters of local underutilized crops
(Hall 209 in New building)

10:00-12:30 Monitoring the bioeconomy – experience from the Biomonitor project (for staff and students), lecturer Max Kardung, Wageningen University
(Hall 110 in New building)

12:30-13:00 Coffee pause

13:00-16:30 Students class: Circular biobased economy Part 2: Teamwise online consultation, Wageningen University and Research (WUR), presentation of the students' assignments
(Hall 110 in New building)

Wednesday 11.10.2023

(Hall 110 in New building)

9:00-11:30 Student class: Circular biobased economy Bioeconomy: the business perspective- lecturer Assoc. Prof. Dr. Emiel Wubben, Wageningen University and Research (WUR)

10:00-10:30 Coffee pause

10:30-11:00 Bioeconomy and industrial crops supply chains for the management of contaminated/degraded soil- lecturer Dr. Walter Zegada Lizarazu, University of Bologna (UNIBO)

11:00 – 11:30 New forms of education on bioeconomy for AUP academic staff- lecturer Assoc. Prof. Dr. Emiel Wubben, Wageningen University and Research (WUR)

11:40 -12:30 Participating in Horizon Europe and how to be successful: WUR Grant support office, Dr. Vanya Simeonova, Wageningen University and Research (WUR)

12:30- 13:30 Light lunch and coffee

13:30-16:30 **CAPBIO4BG**- Capacity Building Workshop: Increasing impact in R&D project development at Universities: experience of the European partners

13:30-14:30 Maximizing the impact of Research & Innovation: tips and tricks for successful Horizon Europe proposals- lecturer Mattia Grandi, University of Bologna (UNIBO)

14:30-15:30 Research Management & Support Services in a research centre and EU post award project management best practice- lecturer Liina Rae, BiOrbic, University College of Dublin, online session

Thursday 12.10.2023
CAPBIO4BG Project Final Conference
(Auditorium 5)

9:30 Introduction by Prof. Hristona Yancheva- Rector of AUP

10:00 Reflection on the programme and the project funding by the Ministry of Education and Science

10:20-11:00 **CAPBIO4BG** project outcomes session:

- The needs in Bioeconomy Research & Innovation: key messages (Assoc. Prof. Dr. Emiel Wubben, Dr. Berien Elbersen, Wageningen University and Research (WUR))
- Research and Innovation Strategy for AUP, Ms. Liina Rae, Bioribic University College of Dublin

11:00 - 11:15 Coffee pause

11:15 Lessons learned from CAPBIO4BG: Reflection and perspective of AUP (speakers from the AUP young researchers)

11:15-11:30 CABIO4BG Success story in capacity building in bioeconomy

11:30-11:45 Bioeconomy as an interdisciplinary area of academic research, education and collaboration in EU networks, Dr. Vanya Simeonova, Wageningen University and Research (WUR)

11:45-12:00 Master of Science program- Assoc. prof. Dimo Atanasov (AUP)

12:05:12:30 Bioeconomy Living lab (Dr. Emiel Wubben, Remco Kranendonk (online), Wageningen University and Research (WUR))

12:30-13:00 Final discussion and conclusions - Prof. Vladislav Popov (AUP)

(Experimental winery at Brestnik)

13:30-16:00 Opening of the AUP digital demo-point at the **Winery Living Lab** - Brestnik (under the EU Digital Hubs **"AgroDigiRise"** project)

15:00-16:00 Consortium internal meeting- Brestnik

Friday 13.10.2023

International conference of the European Commission "Regional Deep-tech innovation Valleys in Bioeconomy and Food Systems"

The event is being jointly organized by the European Commission's Directorate-General for Research and Innovation and the Agricultural University of Plovdiv, in close collaboration with the BIOEAST Initiative. Registration link: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1-V1-WyehfmqI_SKBlA40wzYN89LzrwnE6Y1fCq4PNk/edit