

# 2<sup>nd</sup> EU CAP Network workshop 'National networking for innovation and knowledge exchange'

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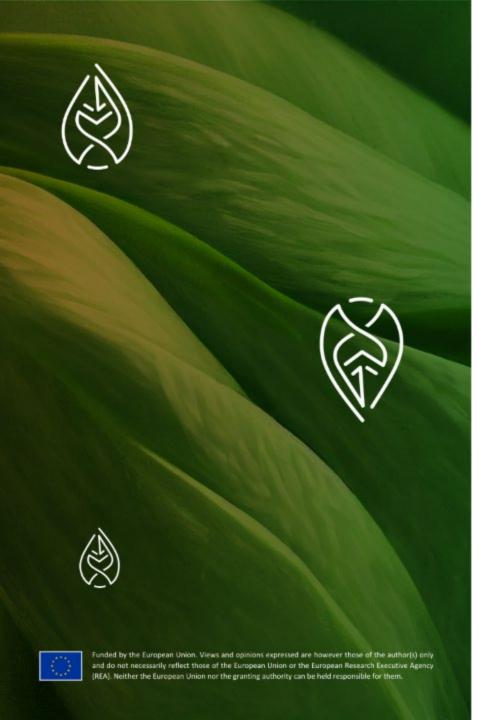




# Horizon Thematic network based on OGs: BBioNets (2021)

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## Workshop: National networking for innovation and knowledge exchange

Building on Operational Groups' results to promote the adoption of Bio-based technologies

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## **Project overview**



Title	Creation and promotion of Forest and Agriculture Networks to boost Bio-Based Technologies adoption and Value Chain development (GA No 101133904
Duration	36 months (1/11/2023 – 31/10/2026)
Project type	Coordination and Support Action
Programme	Horizon Europe – Cluster 6
Funding	€1,998,636
Coordinator	Munster Technological University -
Partners	9 entities from 6 EU countries (Ireland, Spain, Greece, Italy, Poland, Czech Republic)

### **Partners**



- Munster Technological University (MTU)
- Agriculture and Food Development Authority TEAGASC)
- 3. Council for Agricultual Research and Economics (CREA)
- 4. Institute of Soil Science and Plant Cultivation State Research Institute (IUNG)
- 5. Technological Corporation of Andalusia (CTA)
- 6. American Farm School (AFS)
- 7. TEPRO Consultores Agricolas SL (TEPRO)
- 8. FOCUS Strategic Thinking Consultants (FOCUS
- 9. BIOEAST HUB CR (HUB-CR)





### **Objectives**





1. Set up regional Forest and Agriculture Networks (FANs)





2. Match BBTs to regional dynamics and potential





3. Raise awareness and increase capacity of AKIS actors





4. Secure long-term sustainability of project outcomes





### OGs participation and promotion of BBTs (1)

- Six regional Forestry and Agricultural Networks (FANs) in Ireland, Italy, Spain, Czech Republic, Poland and Greece.
- 70 organisations involved and growing...
- 50% of organisations involved are **primary producers** and their advisors.
- Partners of the 12 OGs involved in the project participate in the activities of FANs.





# OGs participation and promotion of BBTs – Interconnection of FANs

### **Objectives:**

- **1. Inform** stakeholders across ETRs of different /similar regional practices and <u>results related</u> to OGs and BBTs
- **2. Exchange knowledge** on regional <u>concerns</u>, <u>solutions</u>, <u>opportunities</u> and their potential transfer at a wider geographical scale
- **3. Promote OG creation** and future collaboration across ETRs and at European level

#### **OGs** involvement

- 1. Participation of OGs partners/coordinators to the FANs meetings at least two per FAN organised.
- 2. Participation of OGs partners/coordinators to ETR meetings one per ETR organised.

# BBioNets Forest & Agriculture Networks (FANs) Transnational Regions (ETRs) Atlantic Area BBioNets European Transnational Regions (ETRs)

Mediterranean



## OGs participation and promotion of results: inventory and assessment of BBTs.

- ✓ Inventory of Bio-based technologies (BBTs)
- ✓ Development of a BBTs assessment tool.



#### **Interviews with OGs** partners to:

- Identify the details of the BBTs
- Identify economic variables to estimate the economic magnitude of BBTs

### Screening of **regional dynamics**:

- ✓ Describe the current practices in relation to the OGs identified.
- ✓ Understand the awareness level in terms of biomass valorisation.
- ✓ Analyse the regional maturity level and potential to implement BBTs.

### Development of:

- ✓ Reference scenarios (beginning of the project).
- ✓ Region-specific scenarios, with most suitable BBTs per region.





# Promoting adoption of innovative solutions and capacity building



- Prepare education and training material
- Develop an online knowledge platform

- Implement a variety of activity to promote further acceptance and uptake of BBTs:
  - Info days to promote OGs and region-relevant BBTs.
  - «Train the trainer» workshops to exchange experiences, solutions, concerns...
  - Small scale mentoring to boost potential collaborations and understanding of BBTs
  - Online capacity building seminar to share BBioNets outputs and promote future OG creation





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## More information: https://bbionets.eu/

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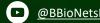














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https://eu-cap-network.ec.europa.eu/events/2nd-eu-cap-network-workshop-national-networking-innovation-and-knowledge-exchange

