

BioBased Industries

Respondent's profile	
Are you answering as an individual or on behalf of an organisation or an institution? -single choice reply-(<i>compulsory</i>)	I am answering on behalf of an organisation or institutions (business organisation, NGO, public authority, etc.)
If you are responding on behalf of organisation or an institution -single choice reply-(<i>compulsory</i>)	I represent an industry association or a chamber of commerce (national/regional/local)
What is your main professional field? -multiple choices reply-(<i>compulsory</i>)	Energy and bio-fuels
Please provide your country of residence If answering as individual, please provide your place of residence. If answering on behalf of company/organisation/institution, please provide the country of your workplace. -single choice reply-(<i>compulsory</i>)	Belgium
Name and contact details NB: the questionnaire will be available for your full contributions only if name and contact details are provided. If you choose not to provide your name and contact details, we offer the opportunity to provide us with your general comments (up to 2000 characters). Please note that in the next question, you may still opt for your name not to be disclosed upon publication of the results. -single choice reply-(<i>compulsory</i>)	No, I prefer to provide a general comment only => please type text in the box below, but do not continue answering the questionnaire
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Further development and innovation in the field of sustainable bioenergy should definitely be promoted under EU's public-private partnership schemes on research and innovation for biobased industries. Available biomass streams shall be balanced between different bio-based industries. Bioenergy production is complementary to manufacturing of bio-products as the energy needed in the manufacturing process must also be taken into account. A zero waste society created by bio-products manufactured by means of fossil energy would be counter-productive. The European biogas industry is a great example of bio-based industries that produce commercially viable, sustainable and versatile energy products with a lot of further potential. Biogas can be used in the same applications as natural gas (heat, electricity and vehicle fuel) and therefore the renewable gas can replace a fossil fuel and contribute to security of energy supply and CO2 reduction in Europe. Biogas is in fact a truly versatile energy source that can be produced basically anywhere in Europe from a great number of organic substrates: biowaste, crops, agricultural residues, manure etc. in a CO2 neutral manner. In addition to energy products, biogas plants produce digestate that serves as a valuable biofertiliser and soil improver replacing CO2-high mineral fertilisers.	
Identification of the problems	
EU primary production is competitive in a global context -single choice reply-(<i>compulsory</i>)	No opinion
EU logistics and storage is competitive in a global context -single choice reply-(<i>compulsory</i>)	No opinion