



# Final Conference

## AGENDA

Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> of January 2024

Venue: Hotel Hafen, Seewartenstraße 9, 20456 Hamburg

08:00 Registration and poster placement



Session 1: Introducing bio-based plastics and BIO-PLASTICS EUROPE project

Moderator: Prof. Dr. Žaneta Stasiškienė, Kaunas University of Technology

09:00 Opening and welcome notes  
**Prof. Walter Leal (Hamburg University of Applied Sciences, Germany)**

09:10 Welcome by the BIO-PLASTICS EUROPE EU officer  
**Dr. Evdokia Achilleos (REA, EU Officer)**

09:20 Global ocean plastic pollution – can bioplastics do better?  
**Dr. Lars Gutow (Alfred-Wegener-Institute, Germany)**

09:35 Bioplastics fit for the future: opportunities and challenges  
**Hasso von Pogrell (European Bioplastics Association, Germany)**

09:50 Perspectives of the European bioeconomy: Role of bio-based plastics  
**Dr. Andre Wolf (CEP, Germany)**

10:05 Contribution of the BIO-PLASTICS EUROPE project  
**Dr. Jelena Barbir (Hamburg University of Applied Sciences, Germany)**

10:20 Panel discussion

10:30 COFFEE BREAK



Session 2: Role of Science in Bio-Plastics Industry

Moderator: Carolyn Brand, Prospex Institute

11:00 Challenges and opportunities in bioplastics world for producers  
**Dr. Ari Rosling (Artic Biomaterials, Finland)**

11:10 Bio-based and biodegradable plastics through the lens of the scientists  
**Dr. Emma Strömberg (Swedish Environmental Research Institute, Sweden)**

11:20 The business perspective and the role of innovative business

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models in promoting circular bioeconomy

**Dr. Eleonora Foschi (University of Bologna, Italy)**

11:30 Waste management companies - role of bioplastics  
**Prof. Dr. Žaneta Stasiškienė (Kaunas University of Technology, Lithuania)**

11:40 Panel discussion



### Session 3: Policy Session

Moderator: Emma Strömberg, Swedish Environmental Research Institute

12:00 A European policy framework for bio-based, biodegradable and compostable plastics  
**Dr. Paola Migliorini (EU Policy Officer – Deputy head of Unit ENV.B1)**

12:10 Horizon Europe R&I programming on bio-based and biodegradable plastics  
**Dr. Silvia Maltagliati (EU Policy Officer, Unit B1 – Green Transitions)**

12:20 BIO-PLASTICS EUROPE: Projects2Policy concept  
**Dr. Jelena Barbir (Hamburg University of Applied Sciences, Germany)**

12:30 SEALIVE: Policy Conclusions from the SEALIVE Project  
**Dr. Andrew Farmer (Institute for European Environmental Policy, UK)**

12:40 Panel discussion

### 13:00 LUNCH BREAK



### Session 4: Stakeholders Engagement and Impact

Moderator: Angela Hahn, Prospex Institute

14:00 The impact journey of BIO-PLASTICS EUROPE  
**Carolyn Brand (Prospex Institute, Belgium)**

14:15 Stakeholder engagement – projects  
**Dr. Jelena Barbir (Hamburg University of Applied Sciences, Germany)**

14:30 Stakeholder engagement – companies  
**Prof. Dr. Angelo Paletta and Dr. Genc Alimehmeti (University of Bologna, Italy)**

14:45 Stakeholder engagement – municipalities  
**Prof. Dr. Žaneta Stasiškienė (Kaunas University of Technology, Lithuania)**

15:00 Panel discussion

### 15:30 COFFEE BREAK



### Session 5: Further Collaborations, Clustering and Networks

Moderator: Carolyn Brand, Prospex Institute

16:00 How to establish new collaborations and maintain the existing ones?

**Prof. Dr. Walter Leal (Hamburg University of Applied Sciences, Germany)**

16.20 The Crowdhelix methodology for clustering, knowledge sharing and open Innovation

**Dr. Valeria Pulieri, Impact Acceleration Manager (Crowdhelix, Italy)**

16.40 **ROUND TABLE**

***Pathways Forward: Shaping the Future of Bio-Based Plastics in Europe***

17:30 Wrap up

18:00 End of the conference

19:00 Dinner at O'Farol