



## INTERNATIONAL BIOECONOMY DIALOGUES IN MILAN

June 13th 2018

*Palazzo Lombardia, floor 1 - Sala Marco Biagi  
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### **INSTITUTIONAL OPENING SPEECH**

Dear all,

thanks for your participation in this meeting, I would like to thank in particular Lombardy Region (Enza Cristofaro), my colleague Silvia Lepore and Ilaria Bonetti for the great organisation; then I'd like to thank the Wafaty project for their strong networking activities and the Cluster coordinator of SPRING Mario Bonaccorso who accepted to moderate this event.

I will speak only a few minutes in order to give an overview of our Cluster activities: we were born 4 years ago thanks to Lombardy Region support, we are now 45 members, public and private members.

Our mission is the development of Green Chemistry and, more in general, of Bioeconomy in Lombardy. We try to reach this important goal with 4 main activities:

1. Networking through event organisation;
2. Scientific communications through support activities of our members;
3. Continuous information and training;
4. Internationalisation through the involvement of international initiatives like Vanguard (where we follow the Bioeconomy pilot as a technical secretariat) and EUSALP, where I'm appointed as a Bioeconomy expert in the Bioeconomy working group.

This is the first International Bioeconomy dialogues event; before this meeting, we promoted other events only at a local level thanks to our Universities and Research Centers which promote a continuous dialogue with all the regional bioeconomy stakeholders.

I'm sure this is not the last international event: we are in fact involved in an Alpine Space Interreg Project called AlpLinkBioEco, a project born during an EUSALP meeting, where we are going to promote other international events with the involvement of our project partner.

As I said, I want to speak very few minutes because I don't want to steal time from the other wonderful speaker who accepted to speak today, so I would like to greet you with our new presentation, a short movie with our history, which explains the importance of Bioeconomy for Lombardy.

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