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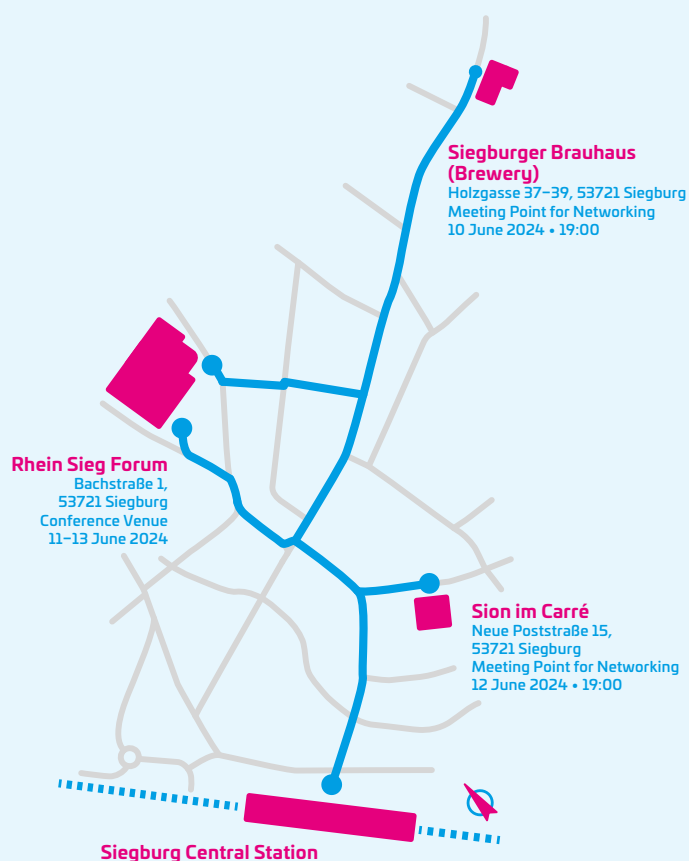
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By Plane: The easiest way is to fly to Frankfurt and take the ICE direct from Frankfurt Airport to Siegburg (no change).

By Car: Car park next to the venue.

All locations are within walking distance via the pedestrian zone. Or take the bus from the Central Station to the Rhein Sieg Forum (3 minutes).



**Meeting Point for Networking
Evening before the Conference, 10 June 2024 • 19:00**
Siegburger Brauhaus (Brewery)
Holzgasse 37-39, 53721 Siegburg



Program

Day 1 • 11 June 2024
8:50–18:00 (CET)

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Main Session
Future of Chemical &
Plastic Industry

Main Session
Circular Economy &
Renewable Carbon

Parallel Session
Fine Chemicals &
Functional Applications

Parallel Session
Adhesives & Coating

Main Session
Bio-based Economy
in China

Workshop and Panel Discussion
Future of Chemical Industry
and LowPCF Products

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Main Session
Building Blocks & Polymers

Parallel Session
Mechanical, Physical &
Chemical Recycling

Main Session
Innovation Award for
the “Renewable Material
of the Year 2024”

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Main Session
Consumer Perspective
& Certification

Parallel Session
Biodegradation

Main Session
Policy Perspective

Parallel Session
Recyclability of Biopolymers,
Focus: PHA

Main Session
Sustainability & Life Cycle
Assessment

19:30 • Dinner Buffet
in the Conference Centre

**19:00 • Meeting Point
for Networking**
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Main Sessions
Grand Hall
#2024RMC



Parallel Sessions
Small Hall
#2024RMC-2

Zoom Events
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to Zoom Events.

All details:
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Welcome to our 500 Participants

Dear participant, dear speaker, dear sponsor and partner,

The defossilisation of the chemicals and materials sector is a Herculean task for the coming decades. On the one hand, there is no modern life with all comforts we are accustomed to without a strong and innovative chemicals and materials sector; on the other hand, the chemicals and plastics industry is more dependent on fossil raw materials than almost any other sector. Globally, 88% and in Europe as much as 93% of the carbon feedstock for the chemicals and plastics sector comes from fossil resources, mainly crude oil, and natural gas and coal. Globally, only 8% comes from biomass and 4% from recycling. And the total carbon demand of the chemicals sector will double by 2050.

The only way to tackle Scope 3 emissions from chemicals and plastics is to replace fossil carbon from below ground with carbon from above: biomass, CO₂ and recycling. This is a tough nut to crack, requiring innovation, new strategies, huge investments, market demand and the right policy framework to make it all happen. And it will require collaboration across the value chain.

The Renewable Materials Conference offers the perfect platform for networking across sectors and thus supports the establishment and maintenance of collaborations. With 80 presentations, 10 workshops, 40 exhibitors and over 500 delegates, plus excellent networking opportunities during the day and three evening social events, the Renewable Materials Conference is a unique opportunity. A unique opportunity to see the latest innovations, visions and strategies from leading companies and start-ups from around the world, to learn how the policy framework will change over the next few years and to meet brands to get an insight into their thinking.

We are all needed to make the transition to a strong, innovative and sustainable chemicals and materials industry, fully defossilised, based on biomass, CCU and recycling.

Enjoy the conference and meet lots of new experts.

Kind regards

Michael Carus



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Managing Director



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Entrance Fee

3 Days • 11–13 June 2024

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incl. dinner buffet on the first day
1495 €

Day 1 • 11 June 2024

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745 €

Day 2 • 12 June 2024

Ticket for on site (and online) attendance
695 €

Day 3 • 13 June 2024

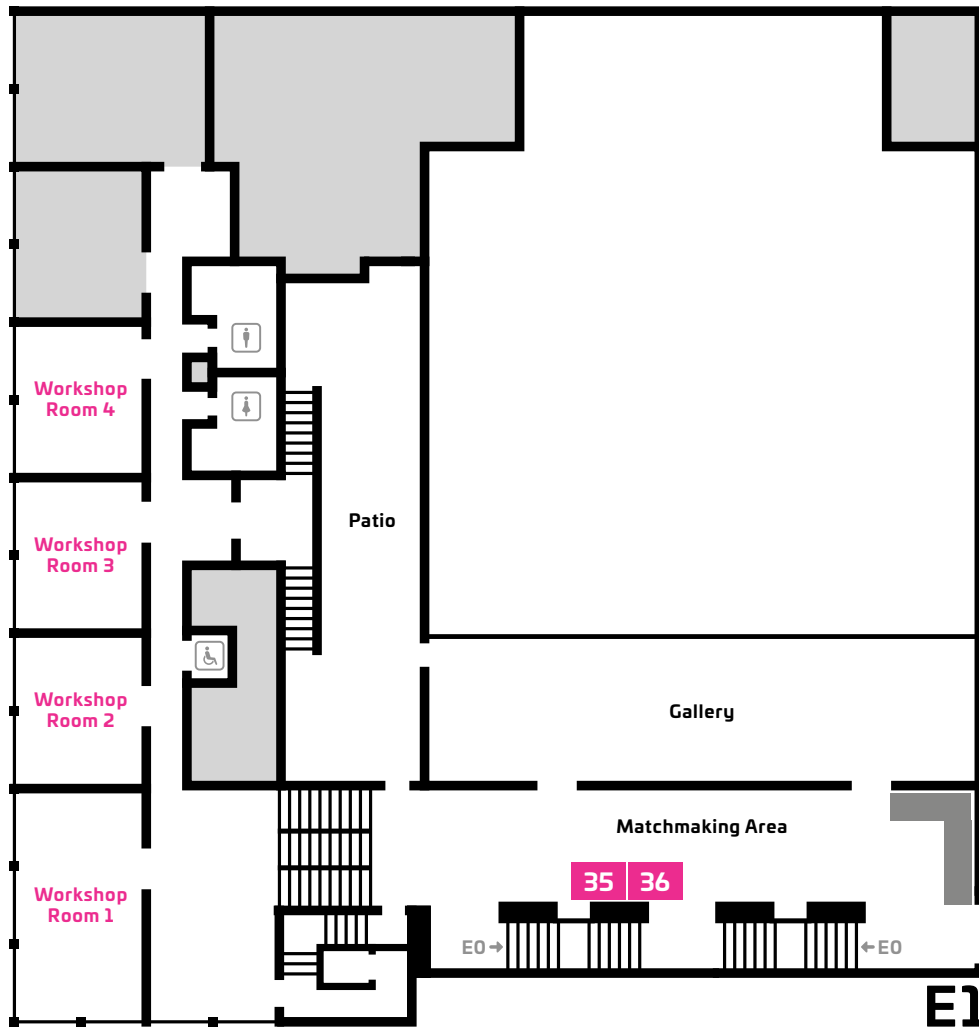
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Poster Session

The poster session will take place at the 1st floor (booths 35 and 36) during the beer-on-tap session on the 1st day (18:30 CET) and during the lunch break of the 2nd day – starting at 13:00 (CET).

Apeiron Synthesis S.A. (PL)

Cengiz Azap

Novel Highly Efficient Catalysts for Ethenolysis

Fraunhofer CBP (DE)

Ulrike Junghans

Isolation of Lauric Acid from the Maggot Fat of Black Soldier Fly

hte GmbH - the high throughput experimentation company (DE)

Matthias Stehle

**Conversion of bio-based Levulinic acid to Pyrrolidones:
High Throughput Screening and Reaction Network Analysis**

HYDRA Marine Sciences GmbH (DE)

Miriam Weber

**Environmental biodegradation performance of plastic polymers
in the open environment – Towards a catalogue of biodegradable
materials in relevant conditions**

PALOTA Környezetvédelmi Kft.

(Palota Environmental Protection Ltd) (HU)

Tamás Korányi

**Use of waste tire pyrolysis oils for the production of special oil
products**

TECNALIA RESEARCH & INNOVATION (ES)

Pablo Ortiz

Lignin Polyols For Polyurethane Coatings

Universiteit van Amsterdam (NL)

Anna Kenbeek

**From cotton waste-derived platform chemical 5-(chloromethyl)
furfural to monomer for bio-based plastic**

University of Amsterdam (NL)

Angus McLuskie

**Scaling up PLGA-Type Polymers from CO₂- and
Bio-Based Monomers**

University of Aveiro (PT)

Jéssica D. C. Santos

**Repurposing potato starch-rich effluents and pine nut peel
for bioplastic footwear**

UvA (NL)

Marian Blom

2,3-Butanediol based polyesters



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Workshops



Day 1 11 June 2024

12:30 (CET)

Room 1

Christopher vom Berg
nova-Institute/RCI (DE)

Presentation and Discussion of Instruments and Measures to Help Achieve Relevant Levels of Renewable Carbon in Chemicals and Materials in the EU within a Relatively Short Period of Time.

15:00 (CET)

Room 1

Nils Freiberg
Federal Ministry for Economic Affairs and Climate Action (DE)

Lara Dammer
nova-Institute (DE)
Status of the German National Biomass Strategy – Towards Climate Action and Sustainable Value Creation

16:40 (CET)

Small Hall

Algreit Dume & Maarit Nyman
DG Grow, European Commission (EU)
Workshop on the Transition Pathway for the Chemical Industry

Day 2 12 June 2024

11:00 (CET)

Room 1

Lara Dammer & Michael Carus
nova-Institute (DE)
Food- and Feed Biomass for the Industry – Conflicts with Food Security?

Room 2

Gillian Tweedle
Stripe Consulting (BE)
Alternative Naphtha – replacing fossil based feedstocks for refineries and naphtha crackers

13:00 (CET)

Room 1

Dušica Banduka, Stefanie Fulda & Guido Müller
nova-Institute (DE)
Get your message through: How to support your business with nova's communications tools and expertise

Room 2

Michael Carus & Project Team
nova-Institute/RCI (DE)
RCI/BIC Project on Global and European Availability of Biomass from Agriculture and Forestry in 2050

Day 3 13 June 2024

11:00 (CET)

Room 1

Olaf Porc, nova-Institute (DE)
Jurjen Spekreijse, BTG (NL)
Myrna van Leeuwen, WECR (NL)
The Role of Certification in Global Trade Flows in Bio-based Value Chains

13:00 (CET)

Room 1

Chairperson: Christopher vom Berg, nova-Institute (DE)
Mauro Cordella
DG Env, European Commission (EU)
Matthias Stratmann & Ángel Puente
nova-Institute (DE)
Workshop on LCA Methodology for Bio-based, CCU and Recycling

Room 2

Miriam Weber & Christian Lott
Hydra Marine Sciences (DE)
The Science behind Biodegradation – Implications for Testing, Certification, Policy, and Communication

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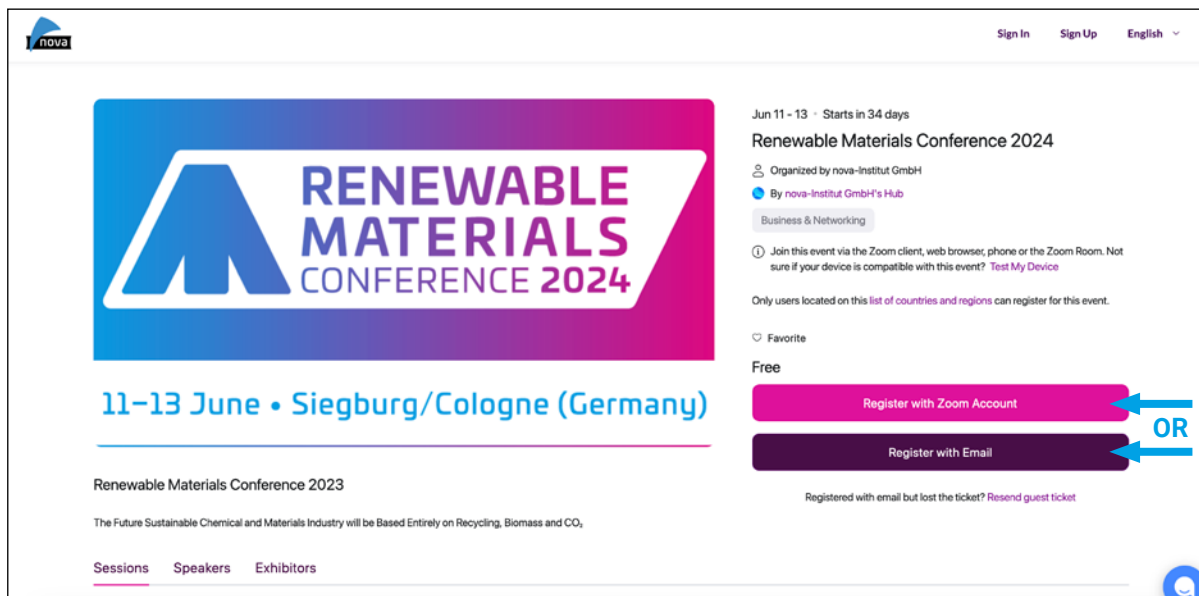
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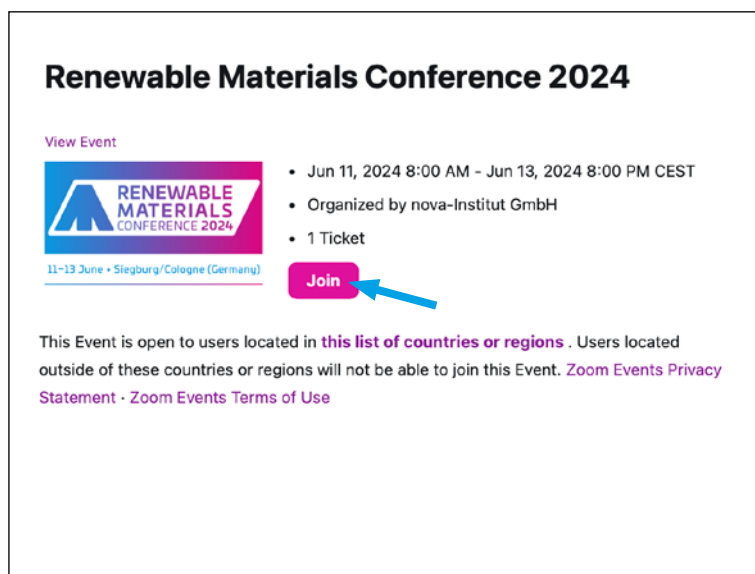
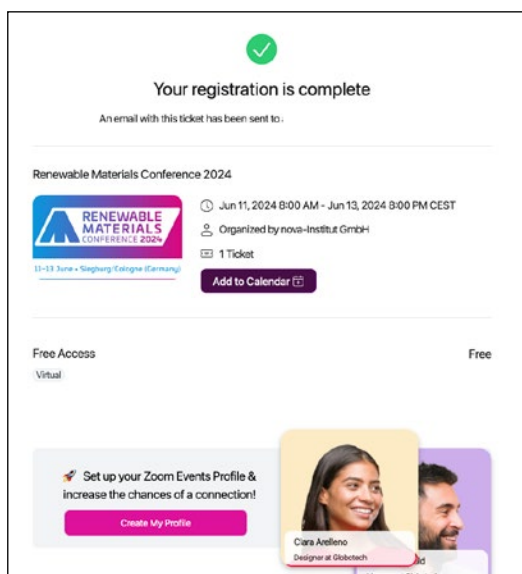
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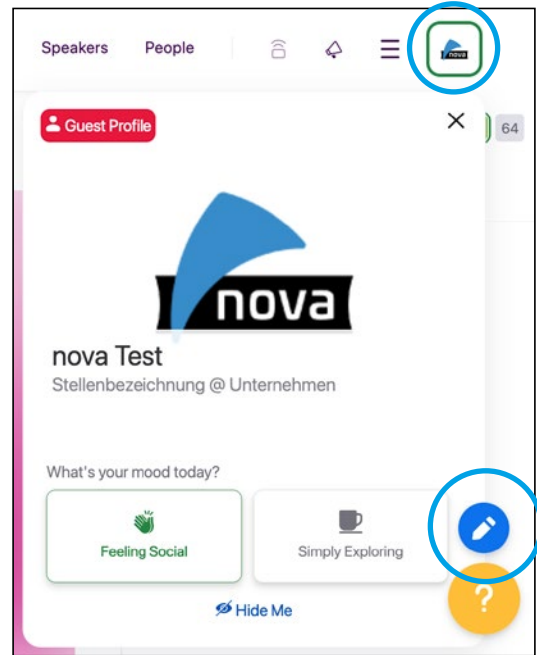
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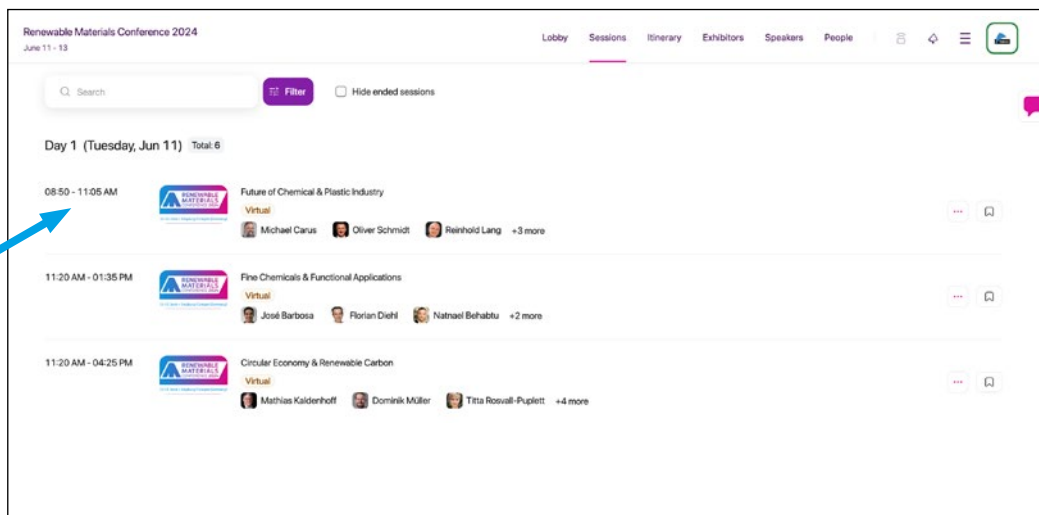
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Bright Future for CCU – Promising Future Policy Framework in the European Union

Authors:

Michael Carus and Christopher vom Berg,
nova-Institute and RCI

For a long time, the political and economic conditions for CCU in Europe have been (and still are) unfavourable, and people looked enviously at the US, where the Biden administration massively promoted the storage (CCS) and use (CCU) of CO₂ with tax credits. In the future, however, the situation in the EU is going to change significantly.

On the one hand, this is due to the massive information work of stakeholders like CO₂ Value Europe (CVE) and the Renewable Carbon Initiative (RCI), which have comprehensively highlighted the importance of CCU as a key technology for a sustainable net-zero future.

On the other hand, the European Commission (EC) has started to acknowledge that CCU will be required for the defossilisation of fuels, chemicals and materials – and for sustainable carbon cycles.

In addition, the Commission has also increasingly recognised that CCU is needed to reduce demand for overall limited sustainable biomass. Below is a brief overview of current policies and regulations from Brussels that now include CCU in targets and strategies for the first time.

EU 2040 Climate Target

In February 2024, the EC presented its assessment for a 2040 climate target for the EU. Overall, the Commission recommends a 90% GHG emission reduction target by 2040 to put Europe on course for climate neutrality by 2050. Carbon Capture and Utilisation (CCU) is recognised as part of the low carbon energy solutions needed to decarbonise the energy system by 2040, as is the development of CCU to increase the uptake of non-fossil feedstocks to replace fossil fuels in carbon-based products.

Find out more at: https://climate.ec.europa.eu/eu-action/climate-strategies-targets/2040-climate-target_en.

Industrial Carbon

Management Communication

Published together with the 2040 climate target recommendation, the Industrial Carbon Management Communication assigns a critical role to CCU as an essential and innovative aspect of an industrial carbon management value chain. The document clearly stresses the importance of CCU to produce advanced synthetic fuels, chemicals, polymers or minerals (“Capturing CO₂ and recycling it to produce advanced synthetic fuels, chemicals, polymers or minerals is another important and innovative aspect of an industrial carbon management value chain”). As a result of modelling, it is highlighted that up to a third of captured CO₂ could be used in 2040 – and up to 45% in 2050 (equivalent to up to 200 Mt CO₂).

Find out more at: https://ec.europa.eu/commission/presscorner/detail/en/IP_24_585.

Boosting Biotechnology and Biomanufacturing in the EU

Mid of March 2024, the EC published a series of targeted actions to boost biotechnology and biomanufacturing in the EU. While the Communication naturally focuses on bio-based, it also paints a more comprehensive picture for non-fossil feedstock supply and stresses that alternative feedstocks such as sustainable biomass, recycled waste and CO₂ captured from biogenic sources could be used to produce polymers, plastics, solvents, paints, detergents, cosmetics and pharmaceuticals. Critically highlighted is that, while demand for biomass is growing, the supply of sustainable biomass is estimated to be 40–70% below projected demand by 2050. This will require the use of additional renewable carbon sources such as recycled waste or captured carbon.

Find out more at: https://ec.europa.eu/commission/presscorner/detail/en/ip_24_1570.

Net-Zero Industry Act

In February, the European parliament and the Council of the European Union agreed to include CCU as an eligible strategic net zero technology in the Net-Zero Industry Act (NZIA). Proposed by the Commission in 2023, this act aims to strengthen the European manufacturing capacity of net-zero technologies and overcome barriers to scaling up these capacities in Europe. Within the NZIA, CCU is defined as a net zero technology and as an eligible strategic



technology under the recently agreed Net Zero Industry Act (NZIA). The role of CCU in meeting the EU's climate change targets is recognised, where CO₂ use can now be referred to as net zero in national clean technology policies and as strategic by national governments.

Find out more at: https://single-market-economy.ec.europa.eu/industry/sustainability/net-zero-industry-act_en.

Carbon Removal Certification

End of February 2024, EU legislators reached a political agreement on a world's first carbon removal certification scheme. The EU carbon removal certification framework aims to scale up carbon removal activities and fight greenwashing by empowering. Businesses to show their action in this field. CCU can obtain a certificate for carbon removal in long-term applications (> 35 years), which is defined and explained as "Binding carbon in long-lasting products and materials, such as wood-based construction materials or biochar." It is expected that other long-term applications such as CO₂- and bio-based plastics in construction may be accepted in the future too.

Find out more at: https://climate.ec.europa.eu/eu-action/sustainable-carbon-cycles/carbon-removal-certification_en.

ReFuelEU Aviation

Adopted in October 2023, the ReFuelEU Aviation initiative has the aim to increase demand for and supply of sustainable aviation fuels (SAF). This includes binding quotas, both for SAFs in general, which shall be at 70% in 2050, and for synthetic aviation fuels, which shall be at least 35% of all aviation fuels in the EU by 2050. Some experts expect a much higher share of up to 60% for the synthetic aviation fuels in reality – and that for a total of 50 million ton oil equivalent (Mtoe) of kerosene. Additional demand for CCU will also come from road and marine fuels. At the same time, by-products of synthetic fuel production, such as naphtha, could be used in the chemical industry.

Find out more at: <https://www.consilium.europa.eu/en/press/press-releases/2023/10/09/refueeu-aviation-initiative-council-adopts-new-law-to-decarbonise-the-aviation-sector/>.

EU ETS Delegated Act on Long Time Storage of CO₂ (not published yet)

The EU Emission Trading System is a cornerstone of the EU's policy to combat climate change and a key tool for reducing greenhouse emissions. Currently, the Commission is working on a delegated act to update rules that enable deduction of emissions if these have been permanently stored via CCU, and are considering the inclusion of products from chemical and plastics industries for the upcoming 2026 review – with potential exemptions for products derived from CO₂ emissions.

Transition Pathway Chemical Industry

In 2023, the EC published the transition pathway for the chemical industry, an actionable plan co-developed by the Commission with EU countries, chemical industry stakeholders, NGOs and other interested parties. Key target of the transition pathway is achieving a green

and digital transition of the chemical industry that also improves resilience. The co-implementation of the pathway is ongoing, and the action items include a separate topic with targets for the development of CO₂ as an alternative feedstock for the chemical industry.

Find out more at: https://single-market-economy.ec.europa.eu/sectors/chemicals/transition-pathway_en.

Sustainable Carbon Cycles

The Sustainable Carbon Cycles Communication was published at the end of 2021 based on the understanding that for achieving climate neutrality, Europe will have to develop sustainable carbon cycles. The communication includes an aspirational 20% non-fossil carbon target for chemicals and plastics that also directly refers to CCU: "We need to recycle carbon from waste streams, from sustainable sources of biomass or directly from the atmosphere, to use it in place of fossil carbon in the sectors of the economy that will inevitably remain carbon dependent. The circular economy and the sustainable bioeconomy sectors can address this objective and should promote technological solutions for carbon capture and use (CCU) and the production of sustainable synthetic fuels or other non-fossil based carbon products."

Find out more at: https://climate.ec.europa.eu/eu-action/sustainable-carbon-cycles/overview_en.

The above regulatory items show that Europe has picked up pace when it comes to carbon capture and utilisation, and has started to consider the technology as a critical pillar to achieve net-zero targets and sustainable carbon cycles. How quickly and comprehensively these promising policy approaches for integrating and supporting CCU will be implemented, depends largely on the next European Commission – which will take office after the summer break. It is expected that industrial policy might play a stronger role again, based on the increasing recognition that the Green Deal can only be implemented with a strong European industry and investments in innovative technologies. This would certainly benefit the implementation of the CCU.



Day 1 • 11 June 2024 • 8:50–18:00 (CET)

Oliver Schmidt 9:00
 Deputy Mayor of the City of Siegburg (DE)
 Welcome to All Participants



8:50 **Michael Carus**
 nova-Institute (DE)
 Conference Opening

9:10 – 10:50

Main Session Future of Chemical & Plastic Industry Grand Hall

Chairpersons: Christopher vom Berg & Lara Dammer,
 nova-Institute (DE)

9:10



Reinhold Lang
 Johannes Kepler University Linz / Institute of
 Polymeric Materials and Testing (AT)
 Perspectives for an 'All-Circular' Plastics &
 Carbon Economy – CO₂ as Renewable Feedstock
 & New Industrial Commodity

9:30



Hans Rovers
 New Normal Consulting (CH)
 The Future of the European
 Petrochemical Industry

9:50



Ivana Krkljus
 BASF (DE)
 The Net-Zero Chemical Industry of the Future
 meets Transformation: Discussion and Opening
 of New Perspectives

10:10



Lars Börger
 Industry Insider (DE)
 On the Chemical Industry of the
 Future and Why it has Already Begun –
 an Expert View

10:30

Panel Discussion with all Session Speakers

10:50 • Coffee Break



11:20 – 13:00

**Main Session
Circular Economy
& Renewable Carbon**

Grand Hall

Chairpersons: Michael Carus & Matthias Stratmann, nova-Institute (DE)

11:20



Mathias Kaldenhoff
SAP (DE)
From Design to Reverse – a Digital 360° View on Supply Chain

11:40



Dominik Müller
UPM Biorefining (DE/FI)
Working Towards a Net Zero Circular Economy for the Fashion and Sporting Goods Industry

12:00



Titta Rosvall-Puplett
SYENSQO (BE)
Accelerating SYENSQO's Sustainable Renewable Carbon Strategy

12:20



Patrick Glöckner
Evonik Operations (DE)
Collaboration now! Towards a Circular Economy

12:40

Panel Discussion with all Session Speakers

13:00 • Lunch Break

11:20 – 13:00

**Parallel Session
Fine Chemicals
& Functional Applications**

Small Hall

Chairpersons: Nadja Wulff & Ángel Puente, nova-Institute (DE)

11:20



José Barbosa
CeNTI – Centre for Nanotechnology and Smart Materials (PT)
Blue Economy Synergy: Transforming Marine Resources into Sustainable Fashion Solutions

11:40



Christian Hübsch
UPM Biochemicals (DE/FI)
UPM BioMotion Renewable Functional Fillers (RFF): A New and Innovative Material Class Designed to Increase Sustainability of Rubber and Plastic End-use Applications

12:00



Natnael Behabtu
IFF (US)
Sustainable Solutions that Transform Consumers' Lives and Experiences: Material Innovation, Designed Enzymatic Biomaterials Examples

12:20



Saugata Nad
Dow (BE/US)
Defining Future of Cleaning in Home Care – New Surfactants Enabling Lower Carbon Footprint of Cleaning Products

12:40



Alastair Sanderson
Unilever (UK)
Flue2Chem: Is CCU working?

13:00

Panel Discussion with all Session Speakers

12:30 – 14:00

Workshop

Room 1



Christopher vom Berg
nova-Institute/RCI (DE)
Presentation and Discussion of Instruments and Measures to Help Achieve Relevant Levels of Renewable Carbon in Chemicals and Materials in the EU within a Relatively Short Period of Time.



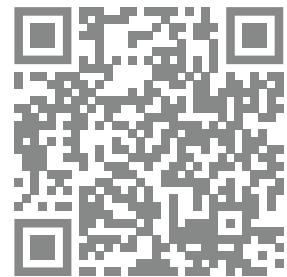
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14:30 – 16:20

**Main Session
Circular Economy
& Renewable Carbon**

Grand Hall

Chairpersons: Michael Carus & Matthias Stratmann, nova-Institute (DE)

14:30



Fabien Ramos
DG Clima, European
Commission (EU)

European Perspective on Sustainable Carbon Management

14:50



Algreit Dume
DG Grow, European Commission (EU)

Transition Pathway: Towards a Competitive and Resilient EU Chemical Industry

15:10



Michael Carus
nova-Institute/RCI (DE)

Evaluation of Future Scenarios for the Chemical Industry, Biomass Availability and Competition to Sustainable Aviation Fuels

15:30



Philippe Dewolfs
TÜV Austria (BE)

Launch of the OK Renewable Carbon Share Certification Scheme

15:50

Panel Discussion with all Session Speakers

16:10



Philippe Dewolfs, TÜV Austria (BE)
Michael Carus, nova-Institute/RCI (DE)

Ceremony – First Products Receive the new Renewable Carbon Share Certificate

16:20 • Coffee Break

14:30 – 16:10

**Parallel Session
Adhesives & Coating**

Small Hall

Chairpersons: Nadja Wulff & Ángel Puente, nova-Institute (DE)

14:30



Adrian Brandt
Henkel (DE)

Progress and Challenges on the Transition Toward Renewable Carbon at Henkel Adhesive Technologies

14:50



Eric Brouwer
Cargill Bioindustrial (NL)

Bio-Based Solutions for High-Performance Coatings and Adhesives

15:10



Jacco van Haveren
Wageningen Food and
Biobased Research (NL)

Circular Design of Coatings and Composites

15:30



Thomas Lüder
Beckers-Group (DE)

Sustainable Raw Materials for the Coatings Industry – Opportunities from Segregated Supply Chains Versus Mass Balancing

15:50

Panel Discussion with all Session Speakers

15:00 – 16:30

Workshop

Room 1



Nils Freiberg
Federal Ministry for
Economic Affairs and Climate
Action (DE)

Lara Dammer
nova-Institute (DE)
Status of the German
National Biomass Strategy –
Towards Climate Action and
Sustainable Value Creation



16:40 – 18:00

**Main Session
Bio-based Economy
in China**

Grand Hall

Chairpersons: Asta Partanen, nova-Institute (DE)
& Gillian Tweddle, Stripe Consulting (BE)

16:40



Ann Zhang

nova-Institute (CN/DE)

The Progress and Insights of China's
Bio-based Polymer Market

17:00



Bernhard Urwyler

Zhejiang Sugar Energy Technology &
Urwyler ChemPro (CN/CH)

What Can we Learn from China to Accelerate the
Industrialisation of Bio-based Building Blocks?

17:20



Susan Zhu

Zhongke Guosheng Technology (CN)

Market Applications of Bio-Based Furan Materials

17:40

Panel Discussion with all Session Speakers

18:00

Networking and Beer on Tap
+ Poster Session

**19:30 • Dinner Buffet
in the Conference Centre**



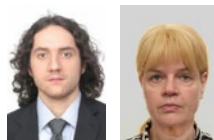
21:00 • Big Surprise

16:40 – 19:15

**Parallel Session
Future of European Chemical
Industry**

Small Hall

16:40



Algreit Dume & Maarit Nyman

DG Grow, European Commission (EU)

Workshop on the Transition Pathway for
the Chemical Industry

18:00



Ivana Krkljuš

BASF (DE)

Panel Discussion with Ivana Krkljuš, BASF (DE)

and five panelists: René Backes, DBFZ (DE), Raoul Meys, carbonminds (DE),
Christian Krüger, BASF (DE), Alastair Sanderson, Unilever (UK) and
René Bethmann, Vaude (DE): How to Accelerate the Market Penetration
of LowPCF Products?

BIO-BASED PRODUCTS FROM SUGAR ENERGY



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to enhance our comprehensive production capacity

Sugar Energy Technology Co., Ltd. has rich experience and technical know-how in the design and development of new bio-based furan-derivatives.

It introduces various functional groups through substitution, addition, hydrogenation, oxidation, polymerisation, and other synthesis steps to offer products with dedicated structures and functionalities, Special chemical building blocks that are applied in many areas of a fast growing, more sustainable economy.

At present, Sugar Energy Technology Co., Ltd. and a well-known environmental protection technology company have set up a joint venture company, and have reached a consensus with well-known international brands, and will launch a series of PEF packaging products in the near future.

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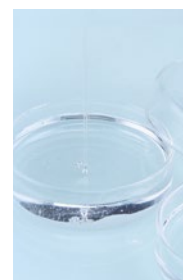
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Current market study forecasts annual growth of 17% for bio-based polymers between 2023 and 2028. Demand from Asia and the USA in particular is driving growth, Europe is lagging behind

New report released on the global bio-based polymer market 2023 – a deep and comprehensive insight into a dynamically growing market

Source:
nova-Institute, press release, 2024-03-07

The year 2023 was a promising year for bio-based polymers: PLA capacities have been increased by almost 50% and at the same time polyamide capacities are steadily increasing, as well as epoxy resin production. Capacities for 100% bio-based PE have been expanded and PE and PP made from bio-based naphtha are being further established with growing volumes. Current and future expansions for PHAs are still on the horizon.

In 2023, the total production volume of bio-based polymers was 4.4 million tonnes, which is 1% of the total production volume of fossil-based polymers. The CAGR of bio-based polymers is, with 17%, significantly higher than the overall growth of the polymer market (2–3%) – this is expected to continue until 2028 (Figure 1).

The new market and trend report “Bio-based Building Blocks and Polymers – Global Capacities, Production and Trends 2023–2028”, written by the international biopolymer expert group of the nova-Institute, shows capacities and contains production data for 17 commercially available, bio-based polymers in the year 2023 and a forecast for 2028.

The report is now available in full length as well as a freely available short version here: <https://renewable-carbon.eu/commercial-reports>.

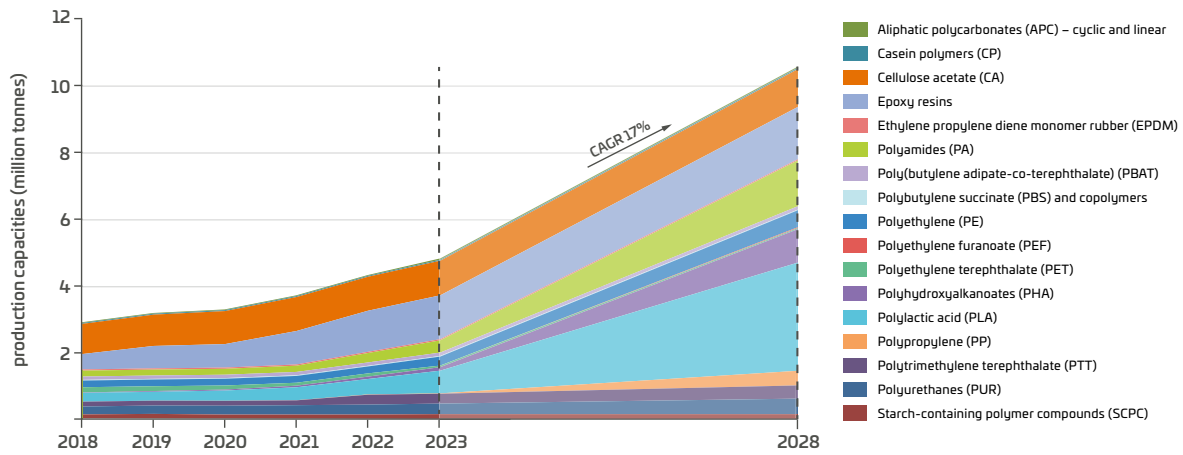
Several global brands are already expanding their feedstock portfolio to include sources of renewable carbon, CO₂, recycling and, in particular, biomass, in addition to fossil-based sources, thereby increasing the demand for bio-based and biodegradable polymers. At the same time, however, there is a lack of political support in Europe, which still only promotes biofuels and bioenergy. By contrast, supportive legislation is in place in Asia and particularly in the US drives demand.

For 2023, the updated market report includes the following features on 438 pages: Coverage of 16 bio-based building blocks and all 17 commercially available bio-based polymers, comprehensive information on the capacity development from 2018 to 2028, production data for the years 2022 and 2023 per bio-based polymer and analyses of market developments and producers per building block and polymer, so that readers can quickly gain an overview of developments that go far beyond capacity and production figures.

Additionally, the market study offers a statistical overview on “Mass Balance and Free Attribution (MBFA)” products available worldwide based on an extensive analysis of the ISCC database, a detailed elaboration on the current European policy for bio-based polymers as well as a comprehensive summary on biodegradability and biodegradable polymers. This information is supported by over 70 figures, over 50 tables and 232 company profiles.



Bio-based Polymers Evolution of Worldwide Production Capacities from 2018 to 2028



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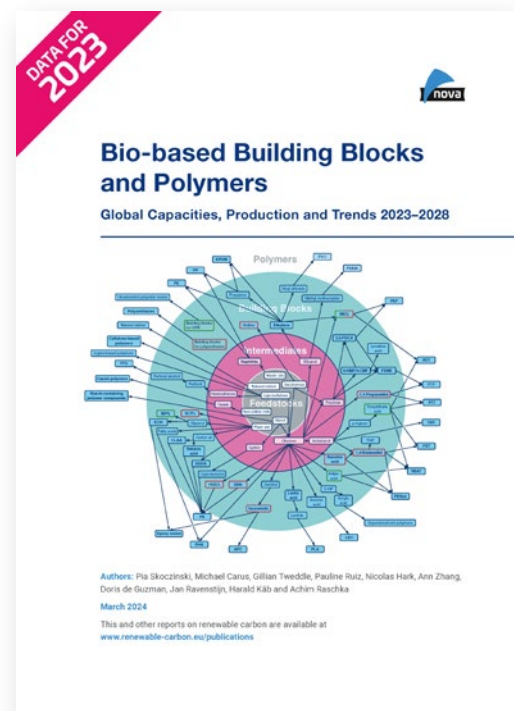
Global Production Capacities of Bio-based Polymers by Region

Asia, the leading continent in 2023, has the largest installed bio-based production capacities in the world with 55%, with the largest capacities for PLA and PA. North America has 19%, with large installed capacities for PLA and PTT, and South America has 13%, mainly based on PE. In contrast to 2022, European shares in worldwide bio-based polymer capacities has decreased to 13%. This is mainly based on the updated data for PE and PP being produced in Europe, where only 10% of the total volume is known to be bio-based and 90 % are bio-attributed based on mass balance and free attribution (MBFA).

The European share is mainly based on installed capacities for SCPC and PA. Less than 1% share of Australia / Oceania was based on SCPC (Figure 8). With an expected CAGR of 35% between 2023 and 2028, Asia displays by far the highest growth of bio-based polymer capacities compared to other regions in the world. This increase is mainly due to extended production capacities for PA, PHA and PLA.

The data published annually by European Bioplastics and the data published by Plastics Europe for 2022 are taken from the market report published by the nova-Institute, albeit with a smaller selection of bio-based polymers and application areas in each case.

Please find the full and short version of the report here:
<https://renewable-carbon.eu/commercial-reports>.





Day 2 • 12 June 2024 • 9:00–18:00 (CET)

9:00 **Michael Carus**
nova-Institute (DE)
Day Opening

9:10 – 10:50

Main Session Building Blocks & Polymers

Grand Hall

Chairpersons: Achim Raschka & Pauline Ruiz,
nova-Institute (DE)

9:10



Pia Skoczinski
nova-Institute (DE)

Market Update on Bio-based Polymers:
Global Capacities, Production and Trends
2023–2028

9:20



Gillian Tweedle
Stripe Consulting (BE)
Algae-based Polymers

9:30



Doris De Guzman
Green D Market Analytics (US)
Renewable Chemicals 2024:
Bio-Manufacturing Build-Up

9:50



Alexander Krapivin
Royal Cosun (NL)

Galactaric Acid as a Platform Molecule
Based on Sugar Beet Pulp

10:10

Panel Discussion with all Session Speakers

10:50 • Coffee Break

9:00 **Lars Krause**
nova-Institute (DE)
Day Opening

9:10 – 10:50

Parallel Session Mechanical, Physical & Chemical Recycling

Small Hall

Chairpersons: Lars Krause &
Narendar Poranki, nova-Institute (DE)

9:10



Constance Ißbrücker
DIN CERTCO (DE)
A Certifier's Perspective on
Material Recyclability

9:30



Dimitri Daniels
GreenDot (DE)
Advanced Recycling of Mixed Plastic
Waste: the Future Lies in Intelligent
Combination of Processes

9:50



Lars Krause
nova-Institute (DE)
Update on Global Capacities for
Advanced Recycling

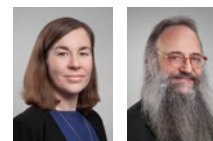
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Panel Discussion with all
Session Speakers

11:00 – 12:30

Workshops

Room 1



Lara Dammer & Michael Carus
nova-Institute (DE)
Food- and Feed Biomass for
the Industry – Conflicts with
Food Security?

Room 2



Gillian Tweedle
Stripe Consulting (BE)
Alternative Naphtha –
replacing fossil based
feedstocks for refineries
and naphtha crackers

GS Biomats Specialized in the Design & Development and Industrialization of Furan Bio-based Materials—HMF/FDCA

Successfully Delivered >100 Tons of Products

Production Capacity:
400 tons/a
+ 1000 tons/a
(under construction)



Sales Achieved:
100 tons+

FDCA

2,5-Furandicarboxylic Acid



FDCA is a furan bio-based monomer with similar ring structure and reactivity to PTA (Terephthalic acid), which can be polymerized with diols or diamines through condensation reactions to form a series of high-performance polymer materials. It has the greatest market potential and the clearest applications among furan bio-based materials. GS Biomats has achieved the one-step preparation of polymer-grade FDCA from crude HMF, eliminating the need for raw material purification, low-temperature preservation, cold chain transportation, etc., significantly reducing the production cost of the entire process.

Application Scenarios



HMF

5-Hydroxymethylfurfural



HMF has strong reactivity and huge potential in the downstream market applications. Through oxidation, hydrogenation, esterification, halogenation, hydrolysis, and other chemical reactions, hundreds of high-value-added products such as 2,5-furandicarboxaldehyde (DFF), 2,5-furandicarboxylic acid (FDCA), and 2,5-furandimethanol (FDM) can be synthesized.

Self-invented continuous production process

GS Biomats' self-invented continuous production process not only efficiently catalyzes fructose dehydration to form HMF but also inhibits the formation of large molecular substances from sugar & HMF due to self-polymerization, ensuring that there is no thick slurry or viscous material (no blocking of pipeline reactors) during the reaction process. The continuous production of HMF significantly improves production efficiency while ensuring high yield.



Production Capacity:
600 tons/a
+ 1500 tons/a
(under construction)

About GS Biomats

GS Biomats (Zhongke Guosheng Technology) was established in July 2021, specialized in the design and development of furan bio-based materials. Core team members graduated from the Dalian Institute of Chemical Physics, Chinese Academy of Sciences, with more than 20 years of research and industrialization experiences in biomass catalytic conversion and furan-based material development.

We have established a complete technology chain for various non-grain crops as sources of HMF raw materials, and has simultaneously achieved the continuous production of HMF, FDCA, and THFDM, solved the critical bottleneck of the HMF industry, and built a full industry chain from HMF to upstream biomass raw materials to downstream numerous derivative products to end products.

We utilize AI synthesis high-throughput computing and reverse design capabilities to expand the product pipeline of downstream derivatives of HMF efficiently and accurately, and have created a matrix of derivative products.

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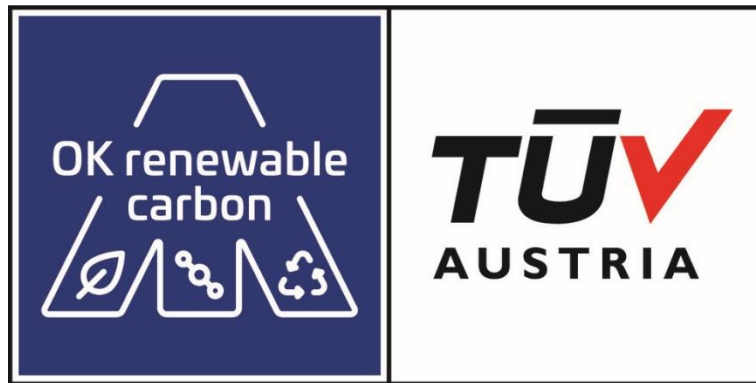
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Chairpersons: Achim Raschka & Pauline Ruiz,
nova-Institute (DE)

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Lars Knutstad

Genomatica (US)

Geno BDO – Market Conditions Strengthen
Low Carbon Technologies

11:40



Thomas Vössing

Covestro (DE)

Bio-based Aniline: Scale-up of a Sustainable
Innovative Route to a Strategic Raw Material

12:00



Maelenn Ravard

Corbion (NL)

Lactic Acid Solutions for a More
Sustainable Future

12:20



Daniel Zehm

Fraunhofer Institute for Applied
Polymer Research IAP (DE)

Next Generation Bio-Based Thermoplastic
Polyester Elastomers Based on FDCA

12:40

Panel Discussion with all Session Speakers

13:00 • Lunch Break

Poster Session will take place during the Lunch Break

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**Parallel Session
Mechanical, Physical &
Chemical Recycling**

Small Hall

Chairpersons: Lars Krause &
Narendar Poranki, nova-Institute (DE)

11:20



Roy Visser

Avantium Renewable
Polymers (NL)

Recycling Opportunities for PEF

11:40



Mathias Kirstein

matterr (DE)

Meeting Product Quality and
Sustainability Targets in PET/Polyester
Applications Using Back-to-Monomer
Recycling

12:00



Matthias Wilhelm

Lober (DE)

Alternative Waste Streams – Tackling
Unused Waste Streams by Dissolution
Recycling and Dedicated Sorting

12:20



Florian Riedl

APK (DE)

Decolorised LDPE Recyclates from Post-
Consumer Household Waste via the
Solvent-Based Newcycling Technology

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Panel Discussion with all
Session Speakers

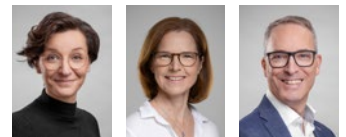
Two Workshops

11:00–12:30,
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Workshops

Room 1



**Dušica Banduka, Stefanie Fulda
& Guido Müller**

nova-Institute (DE)

Get your message through:
How to support your business
with nova's communications
tools and expertise

Room 2



Michael Carus & Project Team
nova-Institute/RCI (DE)

RCI/BIC Project on Global
and European Availability of
Biomass from Agriculture
and Forestry in 2050



14:20 – 16:00

**Main Session
Building Blocks & Polymers**

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Chairpersons: Achim Raschka & Ángel Puente
nova-Institute (DE)

14:20



Andreas Kohl
Verbio (DE)

How Can Existing Renewable Streams of Molecules be Utilised by the Chemical Industry? Existing Biorefineries and Their Extension – An Update on the VerbioChem Project

14:40



Maarten Rubens
VITO (BE)

Lignin Depolymerization and Upgrading Towards Sustainable Acrylic Based Materials

15:00



Katrin Eckhardt
amynova polymers (DE)

Making the Switch from Fossil- to Bio-based Film-Formers and Rheology Additives

15:20



Keith Wiggins
Econic Technologies (UK)

From Car Seats to Cleaning Products: Key Learnings From commercialisation of a CO₂ Utilisation Technology

15:40

Panel Discussion with all Session Speakers

16:00 • Coffee Break

14:20 – 16:00

**Parallel Session
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Small Hall

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14:20



René Bethmann
VAUDE Sport (DE)

Beyond Bottles: The Polyester Journey into Sustainable Feedstocks and Future Market Trends

14:40



Valerie Bloem
BlueAlp (NL)
Accelerating Plastic Recycling

15:00



Niels Jan Schenk
BioBTX (NL)
Chemical Recycling of Hard to Recycle Mixed Waste Plastics

15:20



Michael Carus
nova-Institute/RCI (DE)

RCI Position Paper on Chemical and Physical Recycling, Latest Status Mass Balance & Attribution

15:40

Panel Discussion with all Session Speakers



16:30 – 18:00

Innovation Award “Renewable Material of the Year 2024”

Grand Hall

Chairpersons: Asta Partanen & Michael Carus, nova-Institute (DE)

16:30

**Michael Carus**

nova-Institute (DE)

Innovation Award Introduction

16:40

**Eric Appelman**

Aduro Clean Technologies (CA)
Hydrochemolytic™ Technology (HCT)
for Advanced Plastic Recycling

16:50

**Ida Rask Kongsgaard**

Again (DK)

Acetic Acid and Other Chemicals
Derived from CO₂

17:00

**Katrin Eckhardt**

amynova polymers (DE)
Starch-Based Polymer
Family Amylofol®

17:10

**Balázs Miklós Hepp**

eChemicles (HU)

SolarCO₂ Value – Conversion of
Captured CO₂ to CO

17:20

**Josefin Larsson**

Reselo (SE)
Rubber Made from 100% Birch Bark

17:30

**René Bethmann**

VAUDE Sport (DE)

First-ever Wood-based Polyester
Textile Product

17:40

Voting

17:50

**Christoph Gürtler**

Covestro (DE)

Innovation Award Ceremony

18:00

Networking

19:00 • Meeting Point for Networking:
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53721 Siegburg



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Nominees of the Innovation Award

“Renewable Material of the Year 2024”

Renewable Material of the Year 2024 Nominees of the Innovation Award

All information and registration at
renewable-materials.eu



Aduro Clean Technologies (CA): Hydrochemolytic™ Technology (HCT) for Advanced Plastic Recycling



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Reselo (SE): Rubber Made from 100% Birch Bark



VAUDE Sport (DE): First-ever Wood-based Polyester Textile Product



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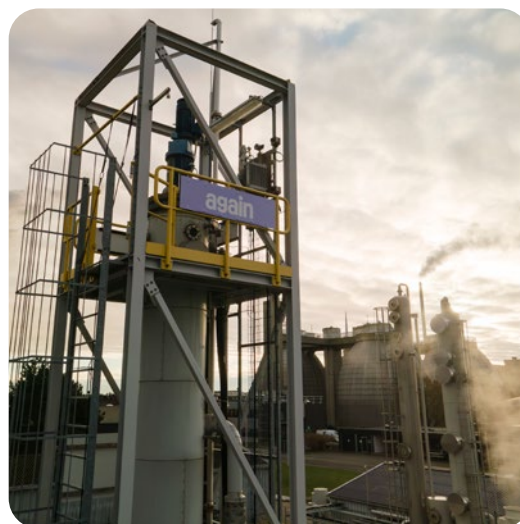


HCT deconstructs polymers at low temperatures (350–400°C), supporting controlled breakdown of molecules. The unique chemistry stabilises the newly formed short-chain molecules within the reaction itself. As the exothermic hydrogenation takes place together with the endothermic chain scission, the energy requirement of the process is lower than in other breakdown reactions. The following key summary observations relate to test runs of waste polypropylene using the Continuous Flow Plastic Reactor (R2) unit: Less than 5 % of the carbon was lost to methane and char. Up to 95 % of the carbon in the polyolefin feedstock is converted into potential hydrocarbon feedstock for production of new plastics and/or other chemicals. All feedstock is highly saturated, avoiding the need for costly post- hydrogenation.

More information: adurocleantech.com

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Again (DK) Acetic Acid and Other Chemicals Derived from CO₂



By combining millennia-old bacteria with cutting-edge biotechnology, Again ferments waste CO₂ emissions directly from flue gas into CO₂-derived base chemicals such as acetic acid. Its novel biomanufacturing process captures unavoidable carbon emissions from industry and reuses them to produce valuable base chemicals for which there are currently few or no green alternatives, helping to defossilise some of the world's most challenging value chains. This biomanufacturing process represents a paradigm shift, eliminating the need for energy and cost-intensive CO₂ capture and purification.

More information: again.bio



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amynova polymers (DE) Starch-Based Polymer Family Amylofol®



The starch-based polymer amylofol® is a platform technology that enables a switch from fossil to renewable carbon in a wide range of applications. Due to its viscous properties and film-forming ability, amylofol® can replace persistent polymers such as polyacrylates in personal care or fossil-based oils and surfactants in agriculture. The flexible modification of product properties enabled by amynova's process technology makes it possible to tailor the properties of amylofol® to many different applications. Furthermore, amylofol® is produced from locally sourced, renewable raw materials. In agriculture, amylofol® is used as an adjuvant in tank mixes of crop protection and fertiliser products. As a film former, amylofol® significantly reduces the leaching of active ingredients from the leaf surface.

More information: [amynova.com](https://www.amynova.com)

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eChemicles (HU) SolarCO₂ Value – Conversion of Captured CO₂ to CO



The SolarCO₂ Value™ technology uses renewable electricity to convert captured CO₂ into CO, a precursor for commodity chemicals and transportation fuels. It is currently the only proven and patented stack-based CO₂ electrolyser technology similar in design to today's fuel cell/PEM water electrolyser. The stacked design allows easier transition to larger scales without the need for redesign. The technology can be directly coupled to solar PV. The electrolyser stack is capable of converting CO₂ into CO, which can either be consumed directly on site as a feedstock in certain industries, or further processed into a range of valuable chemicals such as synthetic fuels, e-chemicals or as a reducing agent in metallurgical processes.

More information: [echemicles.com](https://www.echemicles.com)

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Reselo (SE) Rubber Made from 100% Birch Bark



Reselo addresses the need for alternative fossil-free rubber polymers driven by external and internal pressures across the rubber industry. Reducing the climate impact of materials is a priority, but so far there has been little innovation in more sustainable solutions, especially in the rubber segment. Reselo Rubber is therefore very attractive as it is 100 % made from birch bark, a waste stream from the forestry industry. The polymer can be processed in existing equipment and is compatible with current vulcanisation systems, elastomers and additives. Reselo Rubber is currently being used in a number of applications in collaboration with global companies to bring more sustainable products to the market.

More information: reselo.se

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VAUDE Sport (DE) First-ever Wood-based Polyester Textile Product



Until now, recycled PET has been favoured for textiles, but criticism is growing over quality concerns. With this first milestone, VAUDE, in cooperation with UPM (Finland), demonstrates the feasibility of tapping new European bio-based sources. The MEG in this demonstrator is made from wood residues and is intended as a drop-in solution without compromising on quality. The goal for the commercial version is a 100 % bio-based solution, which contains, besides bio-based MEG, fully bio-based purified terephthalic acid (PTA). VAUDE is demonstrating a scalable commercial approach to renewable PET and shows what such a solution could entail.

More information: vaude.com



List of Further Innovations Submitted (Selection)

for the “Renewable Material of the Year 2024”

Copecto GmbH (DE)

Timbercard – the worldwide first, plastic-free wood payment card.
www.copecto.com/TIMBERCARD

Unisport Saltex | Innograaf (FI)

Microplastic free biopolymer coated sand infill for use in FIFA approved soccer fields.
www.saltex.fi, www.innograaf.com

i-Compology Corporation (JP)

We can contribute to marine plastic waste problem by marine biodegradable floats, fishing gears, aquaculture equipment etc., made of the biomass composite adjusted the marine biodegradation rate and melt properties suitable for molding methods, by selecting the type and blending ratio of plant biomass to biodegradable polymers.

UPM Biochemicals GmbH (DE)

UPM BioMotion™ Renewable Functional Fillers (RFF): A new and innovative material class designed to increase sustainability of rubber and plastic end-use applications.
www.upmbiochemicals.com

CENER (ES)

OHRIGINS. Depolymerisation Technology ables to transform lignin/liquids of lignin into a natural antioxidant product with a total antioxidant activity 2–2.5 times higher than other commercial products and with a lower OPEX/CAPEX.
www.cener.com

CropEnergies AG (DE)

Bio-based ethyl acetate produced from renewable ethanol in Europe – reducing your carbon footprint!
www.cropenergies.com

Dow Silicones Belgium (US)

EcoSense™ 2470 Surfactant: Dow and LanzaTech have collaborated to launch a new surfactant EcoSense™ 2470 made from the unique and cutting edge technology of conversion of carbon emissions while enabling low temperature.
www.dow.com

Revoltech GmbH (DE)

LOVR™ is a hemp based leather alternative – biodegradable and recyclable.
www.revoltech.com

Floreon Technology (UK)

Floreon® Thermo-Tech Description: A durable, halogen free and plant based alternative to flame retarded engineering polymers, achieving a UL94V-0 rating for fire resistance.
www.floreon.com

Sustanix Materialtech (NL)

100% bio-based and degradable coating for paper packaging made from forestry waste.
www.sustanix.com



Winners of the Innovation Award

“Renewable Material of the Year 2023”

KUORI (CH)

KUORI – Bio-based and Biodegradable Elastic Materials



COLIPI (DE)

Carbon-Light Yeast Oil



traceless materials (DE)
traceless® – Plastic-Free Natural Polymer





Advanced recycling technologies to complement mechanical recycling

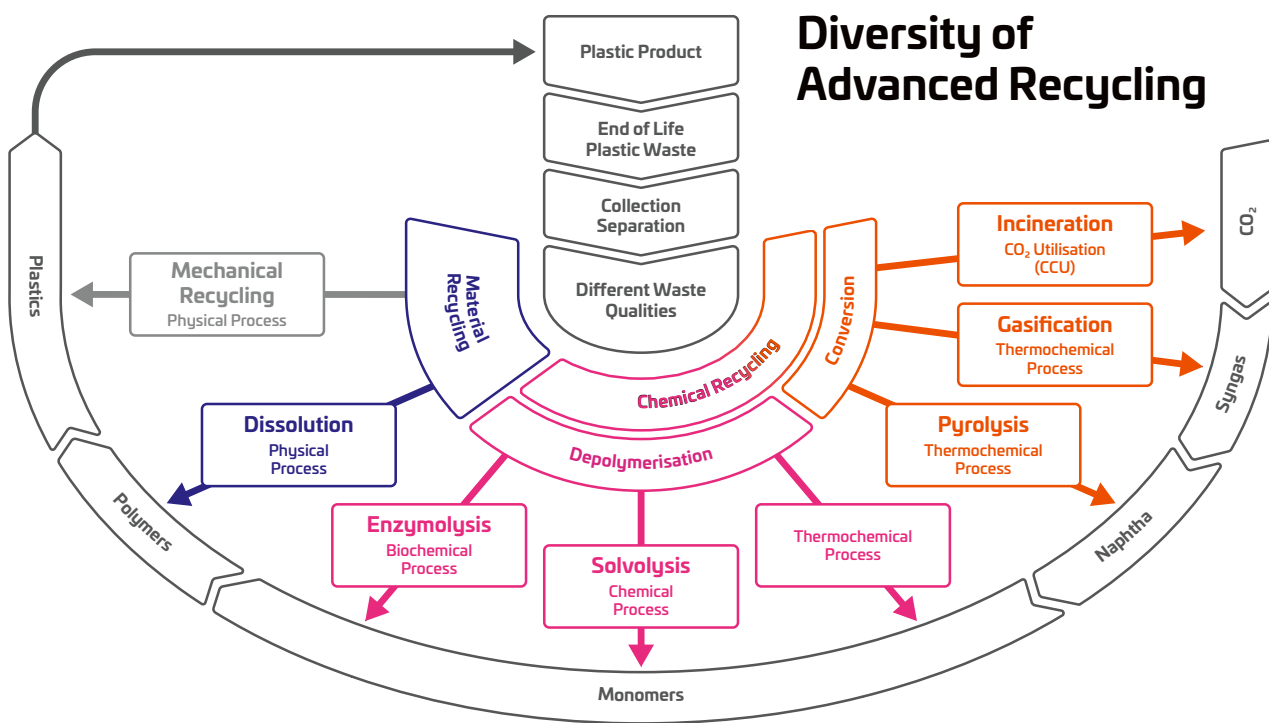
Advanced Recycling on the Rise

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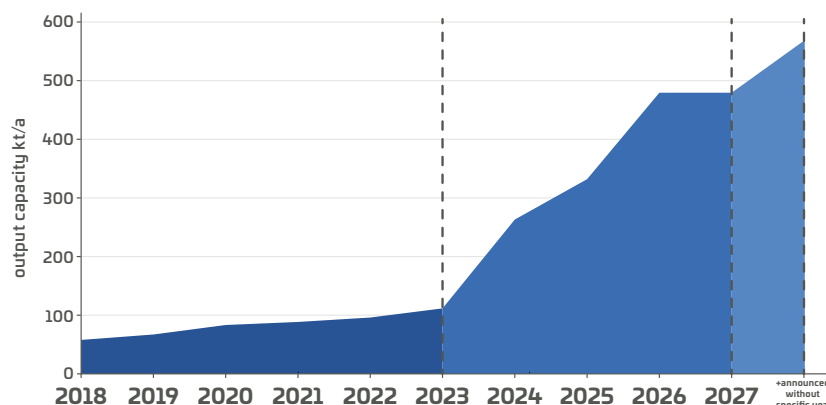
Advanced recycling technologies are developing at a fast pace, with new players constantly appearing on the market, from start-ups to chemistry giants and everything in-between. New plants are being built, new capacities are being achieved, and new partnerships are being established. With all these dynamic developments, it is difficult to keep track of what is happening. nova-Institute's report "Mapping of advanced plastic waste recycling technologies and their global capacities" aims to clear up this jungle of information providing a structured overview and in-depth insight.

Besides conventional mechanical recycling and taking account of recent discussions on the improvement of recycling rates, a wide spectrum of advanced recycling technologies is moving into focus. Whilst PET bottle mechanical recycling is well established and performing well, in cases of mixed plastic waste or mixed waste containing various plastics and organic waste, mechanical recycling is not an option, or allows only partial solutions with considerable effort of pretreatment. In consequence, these waste streams mostly end up in landfill or incineration instead of being further processed into a new feedstock. This is why advanced recycling technologies are crucial for the circular economy.

With advanced recycling a toolbox of versatile technologies is available to address plastic waste streams in different compositions and qualities in order to transform them into a range of different raw materials that can be reintroduced at different positions along the value chain of polymers and plastics. The technologies include material recycling based on dissolution (physical process) from which polymers can be obtained.



Installed and Future Advanced Recycling Production Capacities EU27+3



Furthermore, numerous chemical recycling technologies are available that are capable of depolymerising a targeted polymer into its component parts (monomers) via enzymolysis (biochemical process), solvolysis (chemical process), and thermal depolymerisation (thermochemical process).

Another group of chemical recycling technologies are thermochemical processes which are currently achieving the largest capacities. These technologies are based on pyrolysis, gasification and incineration coupled with Carbon Capture and Utilisation (CCU) which are capable of converting plastic waste into secondary valuable chemicals as well as naphtha, syngas, and CO₂ which can be used as feedstock for the production of new polymers.

Which technologies are suitable for PET?

The nova-Institute report “Mapping of advanced plastic waste recycling technologies and their global capacities” provides an in-depth insight into advanced recycling technologies and their providers. More than 100 technologies and their status are presented in detail listing the companies, their strategies and investment as well as cooperation partners. But which technologies are actually suitable for PET?

Solvolysis

The solvent-based solvolysis describes a chemical process based on depolymerisation which can be achieved with different solvents. This process breaks down polymers (mainly PET) into their building units (e.g. monomers, dimers, oligomers). After breakdown, the building units need to be cleaned from the other plastic components (e.g. additives, pigments, fillers, non-targeted polymers). After cleaning, the component parts are polymerised to synthesise new polymers. With only 24 companies involved, fewer solvolysis technology providers are on the market compared to pyrolysis which likewise offers smaller capacities, typically between 550–8,750 t/a. Of the identified solvolysis technology providers a majority are located in Europe (14 providers) followed by North America (seven), Japan (two), and China (one provider). In the case of nine companies, the majority of providers are mainly small enterprises. Large providers consist of

seven companies, whilst five are medium scale and two are micro/start-up enterprises. Among the large enterprises are Aquafil (Arco, Trentino, Italy, Eastman Chemical Company (Kingsport, TN, USA), IFP Energies Nouvelles (IFPEN) (Rueil-Malmaison, France), International Business Machines Corporation (IBM) (Armonk, NY, USA), DuPont Teijin Films (Tokyo, Japan), and Dow (Midland, MI, USA).

Dissolution

Dissolution describes a solvent-based technology that is based on physical processes. Targeted polymers from mixed plastic wastes can be dissolved in a suitable solvent, leaving the chemical structure of the polymer intact. Dissolution is suitable for PET, but most suppliers primarily focus on PP/PE. However, where high PET content is desired, solutions for PET are available. Other plastic components (e.g. additives, pigments, fillers, non-targeted polymers) remain undissolved and can be cleaned from the dissolved target polymer. Afterwards an anti-solvent is added to initiate the precipitation of the target polymer. The polymer can be obtained directly, and in contrast to solvolysis, no polymerisation step is needed. Currently, the process is achieving a maximum capacity of 8,000 t/a; the majority of the nine identified technology providers is located in Europe (four providers), followed by North America (three), China (one), and the rest of the world (one provider).

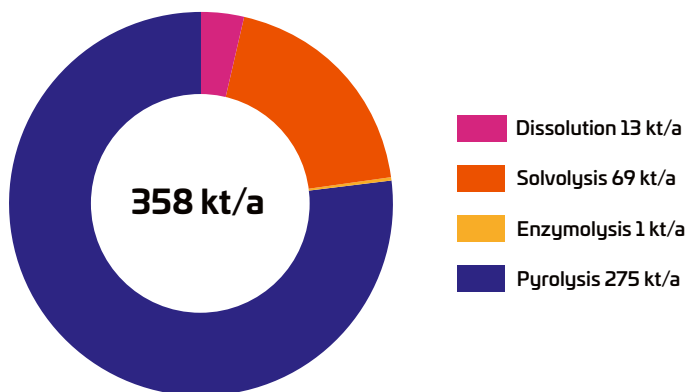
In the case of three of the companies, most are small enterprises followed by micro/start-up- (two companies), medium- (two companies), and a large (two companies) enterprise which is represented by Shuye Environmental Technology (Shantou, China).

Enzymolysis

An alternative path is represented by enzymolysis, a technology based on biochemical processes utilising different kinds of biocatalysts to depolymerise a polymer into its building units. Being in an early development phase, this technology is available only at lab-scale. Currently, only one enzymolysis technology provider was identified which is a small enterprise located in Europe. The process is suitable for PET.



EU27+3 Advanced Recycling Waste Input Capacity



Gasification

Another thermochemical process that is suitable for PET and capable of converting mixed plastics waste and biomass in presence of heat and oxygen into syngas and CO₂ is gasification. Overall, 12 gasification technology providers were identified and currently the largest achieved capacity measure is of up to 200,000 t/a; most providers are located in North America (seven providers) followed by Europe (five). The majority of the identified companies (four) are medium-sized enterprises, followed by small-(three companies), micro/start-up (two companies), with just one large enterprise (Eastman).

Pyrolysis

In the pyrolysis process, a thermochemical recycling process is available that converts or depolymerises mixed plastic wastes (mainly polyolefins) and biomass into liquids, solids, and gases in the presence of heat and the absence of oxygen. Obtained products range, for example, from various different fractions of liquids including oils, diesel, naphtha, and monomers as well as syngas, char, to waxes. Depending on the obtained products these can be utilised as renewable feedstocks for the production of new polymers. With 40,000 t/a, the second-largest capacity found in the report is achieved with pyrolysis.

The majority of the 80 identified technology providers are located in Europe (42 providers) followed by North America (21), rest of the world (11), China (four), Cis (one), and Japan (one provider). With 27 companies most providers are small enterprises followed by micro/start-up- and medium- enterprises (both each comprising 18 companies), and large enterprises (16 providers) such as Blue Alp (Eindhoven, the Netherlands), Demont (Millesimo, Italy), Ineos Styrolution (Frankfurt, Germany), Neste (Espoo, Finland), Österreichische Mineralölverwaltung (OMV) (Vienna, Austria), Repsol (Madrid, Spain), Unipetrol (Prague, Czechia), VTT (Espoo, Finland), and Chevron Phillips (The Woodlands, TX, USA).

In Europe, pyrolysis is the predominant form of chemical recycling for PE/PP. However, for PET, the process is only suitable to a limited extent of <5%.

Evaluation of capacities

More than 340 planned as well as installed and operating plants were mapped worldwide providing a total input capacity of 1,477 kt/a. In Europe, there is already a considerable potential of know-how and providers for chemical and physical recycling technologies which is reflected in the comparison with the globally installed plants and capacities. From all installed chemical and physical recycling plants worldwide more than 60 and thus the majority are operating in Europe covering nearly one quarter of the worldwide input capacity. Europe therefore ranks top in the global comparison chart.

Globally, the production capacity of advanced recycling is 1,082 kt/a with products ranging from polymers, monomers, naphtha, Secondary Valuable Chemicals (SVC), and fuels & energy. Europe's circular strategy becomes evident by putting the product shares of polymers, monomers, naphtha, and SVC from chemical and physical recycling into a global context. Here, Europe covers 36 % of the installed global capacity.

In the coming five years a strong growth of the market is expected in which the amount of installed chemical and physical recycling plants will steadily grow. A first indicator are the announcements of the technology providers for the construction of new plants. An analysis of these announcements shows that the input capacity in Europe will more than triple by 2027 while globally the capacity will double.

However, the projection for Europe might change depending on any additional political measures, such as the revision of relevant directives or the establishment of incentives and investment programmes.

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9:30



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A Brand Owner's Perspective: Barriers & Opportunities for Bio-Based Materials

9:50



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10:10

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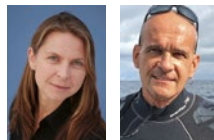


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Polymer Biodegradability 2.0: A Holistic View on Polymer Biodegradation in Natural and Engineered Environments

9:30



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Olaf Porc, nova-Institute (DE),
Jurjen Spekrijse, BTG (NL) &
Myrna van Leeuwen, WECR (NL),
The Role of Certification in
Global Trade Flows in Bio-based
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11:00 – 12:40

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Work and Impact of the Renewable Carbon Initiative

11:20



Martin Clemesha

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The Need of Harmonised Policies for Biofuels
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11:40



Ivana Krkljus & Christian Krüger

BASF (DE)

How to Enable Business and Climate
Benefits While Going Circular?

12:00



Mauro Cordella

DG Env, European Commission (EU)

Policy Perspective on Bio-based and CO₂-based
Materials and Recycling

12:20

Panel Discussion with all Session Speakers

12:40 • Lunch Break

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Parallel Session Recyclability of Bio- polymers, Focus: PHA

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Chairperson: Rick Passenier,
GO!PHA (NL)

11:00



Rick Passenier

GO!PHA (NL)

Unlocking the Circular Potential:
Exploring the Recyclability of Biopolymers

11:20



Jan Pels

TORWASH (NL)

Chemical Recycling of PLA/PHA
Composites by TORWASH

11:40



Fred D. Pinczuk

Beyond Plastic (US)

Commercialisation of PHA Products
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Current Infrastructure, and Solutions

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Organic Recycling Through Biorefinery

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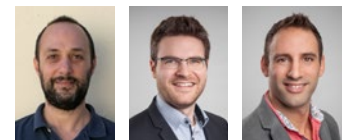
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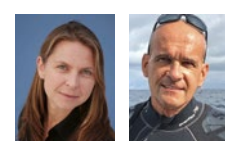
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Workshop on LCA Methodology
for Bio-based, CCU and Recycling

Room 2



Miriam Weber & Christian Lott

Hydra Marine Sciences (DE)

The Science behind
Biodegradation – Implications
for Testing, Certification,
Policy, and Communication



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Sustainability & Life Cycle Assessment**

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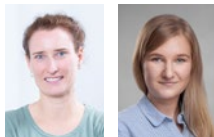


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Transparency at Scale: Automating Lifecycle Assessments in the Chemical Industry

14:10



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Bio-Based Oleochemicals Used as Lubricant Additives – Renewable Counterparts to Fossil-based Products and Comparative LCA

14:30



Kathleen Meisel

DBFZ (DE)

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Chemical and Physical Recycling are Essential for the Realisation of the Green Deal and the Circular Economy

The Renewable Carbon Initiative has published a position paper outlining the importance of chemical and physical recycling and what is needed to realise its huge potential.

Chemical and physical recycling play essential roles in realising the objectives of the Green Deal and advancing the circular economy. These technologies are indispensable for the green transition. A wider range of different chemical and physical recycling processes are needed to keep as much of the carbon embedded in plastics as possible in the cycle. Through this, the required volumes and scalability of the circular economy can be achieved. Chemical and physical recycling enable the utilisation of waste streams that cannot be mechanically recycled and are currently sent to incineration or landfill. They are the only ways to ensure these materials remain in a cycle, reducing reliance on disposal methods like incineration and landfill.

Mechanical, physical, and chemical recycling complement each other due to differences in available waste stream composition, sorting needs, target products and economics. Each technology has distinct strengths and weaknesses in terms of input, output quality and quantity. Chemical and physical recycling are fundamental for a comprehensive carbon management that creates sustainable carbon cycles and enables the defossilisation of the chemical industry. While they hold considerable high-volume potential, significant investment is needed to fully leverage these technologies. Creating secure demand, in particular through the policy framework, is imperative to achieve this.

What is necessary to realise the huge potential of chemical and physical recycling?

In its latest position paper, the Renewable Carbon Initiative (RCI) identifies eleven requirements to create secure demand, drive investment and further improve the technology field. These include general acceptance of the technology; mandatory recycled content for all polymers/plastics in all applications; recognition and clarification of rules for the calculation of recycling rates; full acceptance of mass balance & attribution with fuel-use excluded; accelerated approval



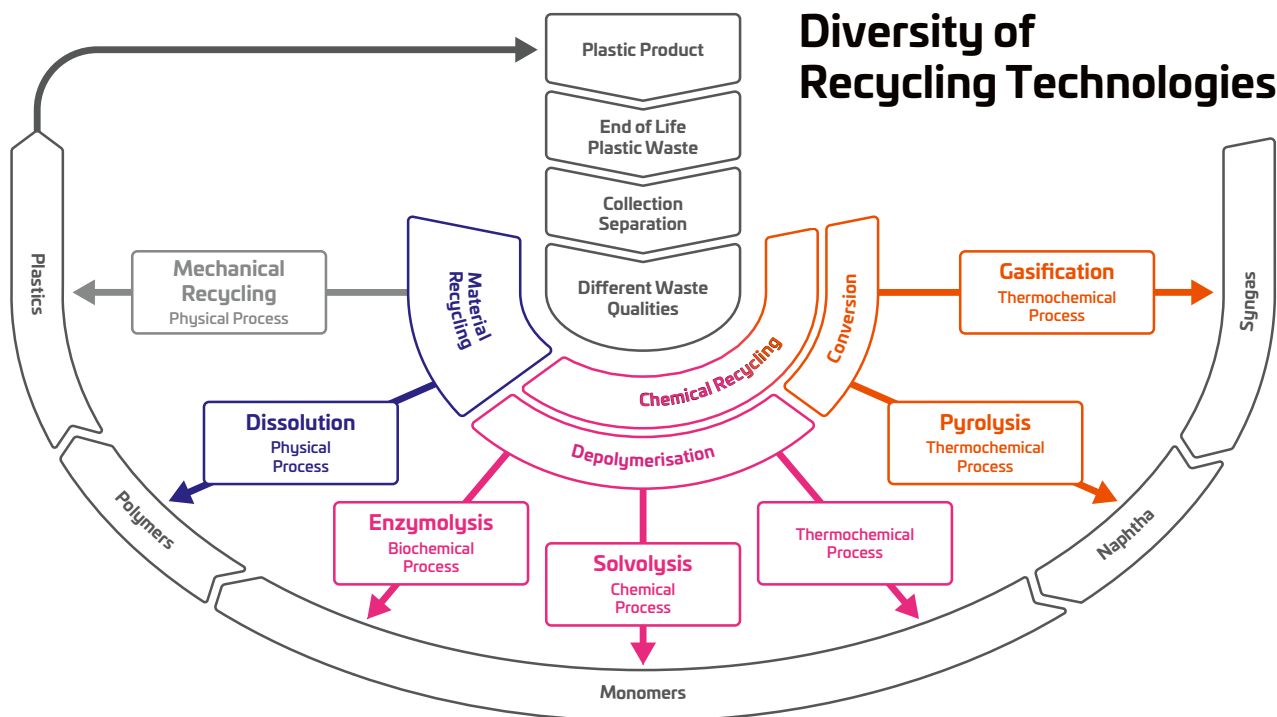


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of new chemical and physical recycling facilities; expansion of recycling infrastructure for all sectors beyond packaging; and the extension of CO₂ pricing for waste incineration in the ETS combined with a landfill ban.

Additionally, RCI advocates for a pragmatic approach, emphasising that while closed-loop recycling is a noble goal for sectors such as packaging, textiles and automobiles, it should not be approached too dogmatically. Flexibility is essential to prevent environmental and economic inefficiencies. If the waste stream of one sector can be better used in another, this should be possible.

Comprehensive Carbon Management

Chemical and physical recycling emerge as key technologies and critical component of a comprehensive carbon management. Carbon management goes beyond the reduction of CO₂ emissions and their capture and long-term storage. It decouples the entire industry from fossil feedstocks from the ground, eliminates the use of fossil carbon wherever possible and allocates renewable carbon from biomass, CO₂ and recycling as efficiently and effectively as possible where carbon use is unavoidable, like chemicals and plastics.

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RCI members are a diverse group of companies addressing the challenges of the transition to renewable carbon with different approaches. The opinions expressed in these publications may not reflect the exact individual policies and views of all RCI members.

About RCI

The Renewable Carbon Initiative (RCI) is a global network of more than 60 prominent companies dedicated to supporting and accelerating the transition from fossil carbon to renewable carbon (bio-based, CO₂-based and recycled) for all organic chemicals and materials. Its work focuses on scientific background reports, position papers, advocacy and networking.

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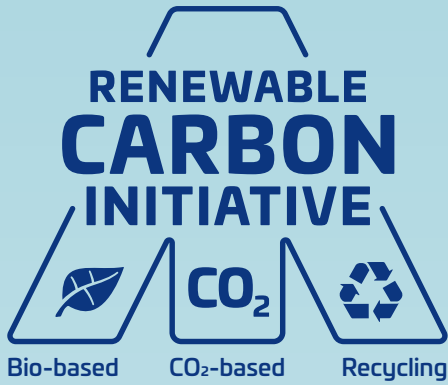
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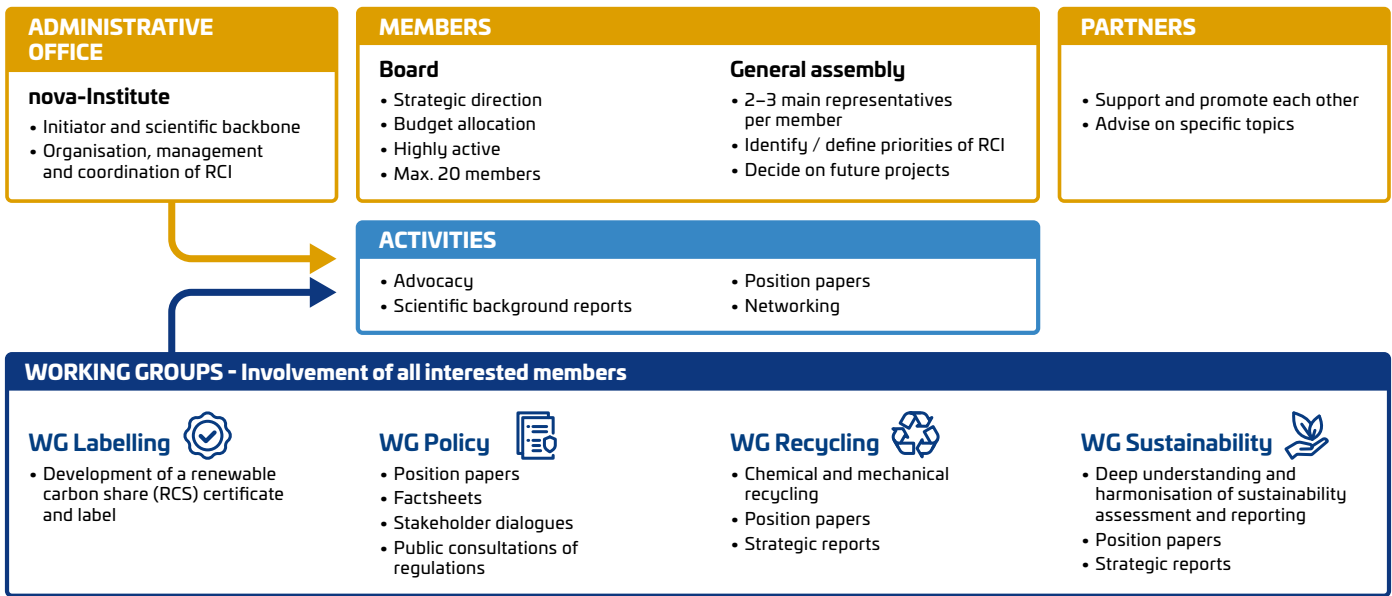
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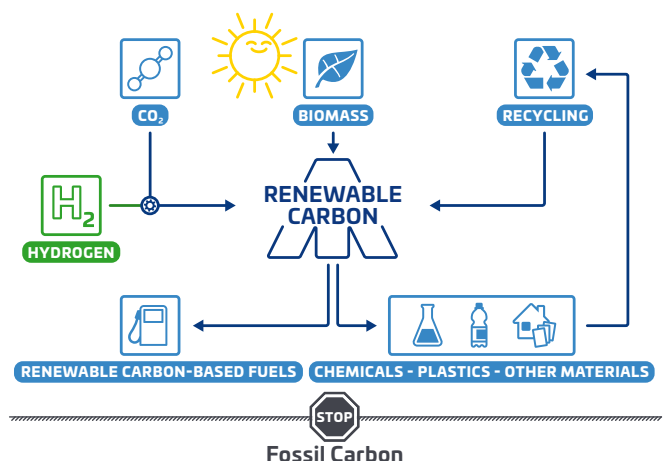
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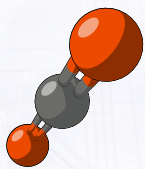
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