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## 11 May, 20:00 Meeting point for a social evening gathering

Kölsch Brewery:  
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in the “Wappensaal”  
Am Hof 12–18  
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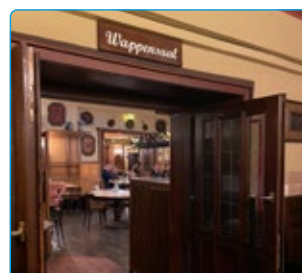
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# PROGRAM

## OF THE CONFERENCE

### Day 1 <sup>(14)</sup>

**10 May 2022**  
9:30 – 18:00 (CET)

Bio- and CO<sub>2</sub>-based  
Refineries

Chemical Industry,  
New Refinery Concepts  
& Chemical Recycling

Dinner Buffet

### Day 2 <sup>(18)</sup>

**11 May 2022**  
9:00 – 18:00 (CET)

Renewable Chemicals  
and Building Blocks

Renewable Polymers  
and Plastics –  
Technology and Markets

Parallel Session:  
Fine Chemicals <sup>(24)</sup>

Innovation Award  
“Renewable Material  
of the Year 2022” <sup>(27)</sup>

Get-together in Kölsch  
Brewery: FRÜH am Dom,  
in the “Wappensaal”

### Day 3 <sup>(34)</sup>

**12 May 2022**  
9:00 – 17:00 (CET)

Latest nova  
Research

The Policy & Brands  
View on Renewable  
Materials

Biodegradation

Renewable Plastics  
and Composites

## SAVE THE DATE



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## A warm welcome to our Renewable Materials Conference 2022!

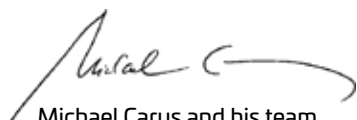
Chemical, plastics and materials industries are facing a challenging transition from their fossil feedstock base. Meanwhile, research and start-ups are actively exploring new, more sustainable process routes for renewable carbon sources as well as innovative molecules with new properties. But also large-scale chemistry has been very active for years. One of its goals is to extend the existing Verbund sites for renewable carbon sources.

Fossil resources are finite. While their extraction and utilisation are deemed to be by far the biggest cause of climate change, their consumption forces a majority of countries into dependency on a very few countries with large reserves of crude oil, natural gas and coal. An often dangerous dependence that makes them vulnerable and unstable. Therefore, fossil resources must be phased out, but the products of the chemical, plastics and materials industries require carbon.

So it is all about defossilisation. Decarbonisation is no option in the material world, unlike in the energy sector, where decarbonisation is a good option in most areas. In consequence, it is about developing renewable carbon sources and there are three options to choose from: biomass, CO<sub>2</sub> and recycling. Biomass and recycling already cover about 20 – 25 % of the current carbon feedstock in the European chemical industry. The remaining 75 – 80 % turn out to be more challenging. There are still many political, legislative, technical and economic hurdles to overcome.

Together with our high-calibre conference advisory board, we selected the most interesting presentations and innovations from the many submissions that we have received: 60 presentations and six innovation award nominees. Our aim is to give you an overview and in-depth perspective of the current state of the art in the use of biomass, CO<sub>2</sub> and recycling, especially chemical recycling, and above all, to introduce you to emerging trends in renewable chemicals, polymers and all sorts of renewable materials. Additionally, we will give you the opportunity to influence these trends yourself with the election of the “Renewable Material of the Year 2022”.

We wish all of you exciting insights, numerous discoveries and inspirations, but above all intensive networking after a long period of suffering due to the Corona pandemic. And, if the weather plays along, also fun in sunny Cologne on the Rhine.



Michael Carus and his team  
CEO of nova-Institute



Michael Carus  
CEO

P.S.: Since we assume that the Renewable Materials Conference will continue to grow and we could hardly meet the demand this year, we will move next year's conference to Siegburg, a small town between Cologne and Bonn (very easy to reach), on May 23<sup>rd</sup> till 25<sup>th</sup>.  
[Learn more about it in this brochure on page 42.](#)



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### 3 Days | 10-12 May 2022

"Live" in-person event incl. dinner buffet &  
"Virtual" online component  
1295 €

**"Virtual" online component (10-12 May 2022)**  
595 €

### 1 Day | 10 May 2022

"Live" in-person event incl. dinner buffet &  
"Virtual" online component  
645 €

### 1 Day | 11 May 2022

"Live" in-person event & "Virtual" online component  
645 €

### 1 Day | 12 May 2022

"Live" in-person event & "Virtual" online component  
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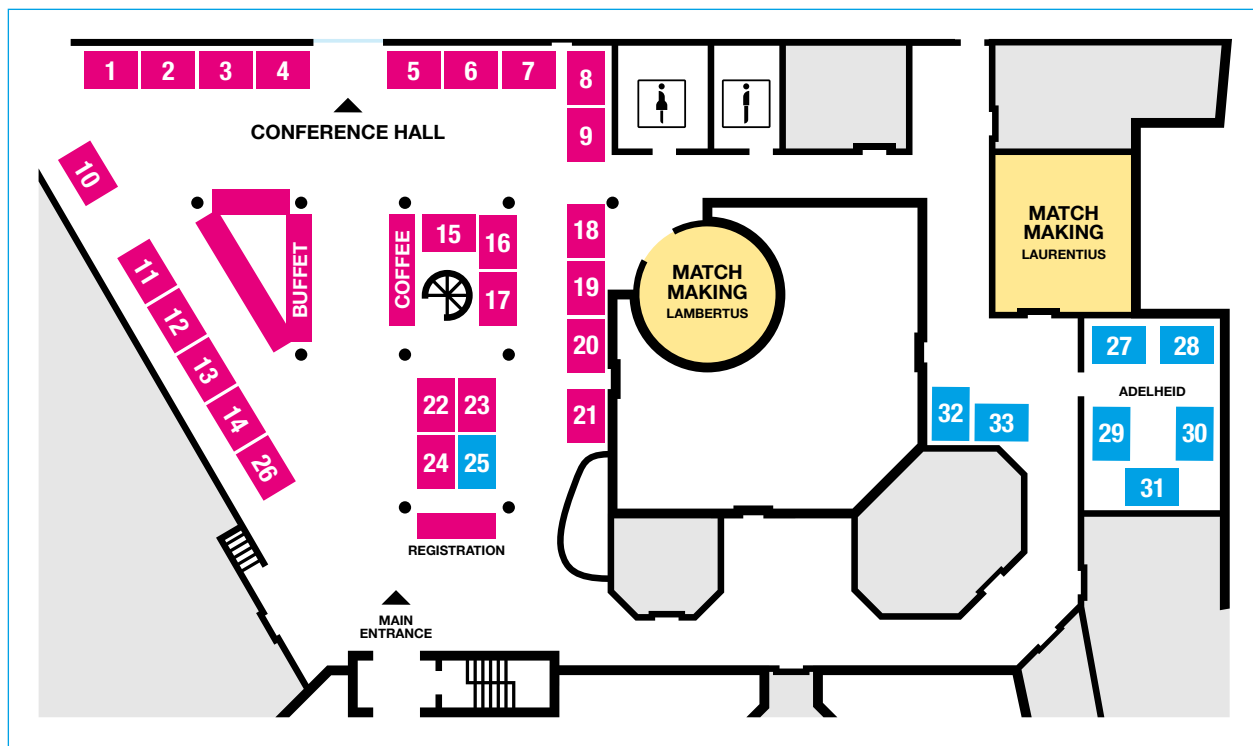
### 3 Days | Students, 10-12 May 2022

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"Virtual" online component  
350 €

# Exhibition

Free Booked

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## List of Exhibitors

Booth 01	Poster Session	Booth 10	FKUR (DE)	Booth 19	Innovation Award "Renewable Materials of the Year 2022"
Booth 02	traceless (DE)	Booth 11	Sugar Energy (CN)	Booth 20	Otto A. Müller Recycling GmbH (DE)
Booth 03	Avantium (NL)	Booth 12	Sorona (US)	Booth 21	Robert KRAEMER GmbH & Co. KG (DE)
Booth 04	Covestro (DE)	Booth 13	Henkel (DE)	Booth 23	Tech4Biowaste
Booth 05	CLIB – Cluster Industrial Biotechnology (DE)	Booth 14	SunCoal (DE)	Booth 24	helianPolymers
Booth 06	nova-Institute (DE)	Booth 15	NESTE (FI)	Booth 26	BlackIP GmbH (DE)
Booth 07	Alfa Laval (SE)	Booth 16	J. Rettenmaier & Söhne (JRS) (DE)		
Booth 08	Media Table	Booth 17	Plantics B.V. (NL)		
Booth 09	RENOLIT (DE)	Booth 18	Match Making		

Status: 25 April 2022 – more exhibitors expected: [renewable-materials.eu/exhibition-booking](https://renewable-materials.eu/exhibition-booking)

## Poster Session

The poster session will take place during the lunch break of the second day.  
All accepted posters will be displayed at booth 1 in the conference exhibition area.



**Beta Analytic (US):**  
Biobased Testing & Certification of  
Polymers & Plastics



**Next Technology Tecnotessile (IT):**  
FISH Chitinolytic Biowastes FOR FISH Active  
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**CeNTItvc - Centre for Nanotechnology  
and Smart Materials (PT):** Chemical Modification  
of Biogenic Silica Nanoparticles for Enhancement  
of Polymeric Formulations

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# THE RENEWABLE CARBON INITIATIVE

Shape the Future  
of the Chemical and  
Material Industry

Renewable Carbon Initiative (RCI) was founded in September 2020. RCI members are committed to create a sustainable, fossil-free future for the chemical and material industry.



Circular Economy

## WHY JOIN RCI?

RCI is an organization for all companies working in and on sustainable chemicals and materials – renewable chemicals, plastics, composites, fibres and other products can be produced either from biomass, directly via CO<sub>2</sub> utilisation, or recycling.

RCI members profit from a unique network of pioneers in the sustainable chemical industry.

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## MEMBERS



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# Renewable Carbon Initiative (RCI) Draws Worldwide Attention

From international brands to leading chemical and bioeconomy companies to innovative start-ups for CO<sub>2</sub> utilisation, companies are collaborating to guide a smart transition from fossil carbon to renewable carbon

The climate crisis is accelerating at an unprecedented pace, with global warming, greenhouse gas emissions and deforestation leading to food insecurity, global health problems and biodiversity loss. What is the primary cause of human-made climate change? The usual answer is: CO<sub>2</sub> and other greenhouse gases. But is CO<sub>2</sub> really the core of the problem? Might it not be more relevant to consider where CO<sub>2</sub> originates? Recent climate data indicates that 72% of anthropogenic climate change comes directly from extracted fossil carbon from the ground, while the other 28% comes from agriculture and forestry – mainly land-use change and livestock production. Presenting the first part of the new Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) climate science report in August 2021, the UN Secretary-General António Guterres warned that fossil fuels are destroying the planet, and that the report “*must ring the death bell for coal and fossil fuels.*”

In other words, CO<sub>2</sub> is not at the core of the climate problem. CO<sub>2</sub> can actually be cycled between atmosphere, biosphere and technosphere. Instead, the core issue is the additional fossil carbon that is taken out of the ground via crude oil, natural gas or coal, which is utilised in our technosphere and ultimately released in the atmosphere as additional CO<sub>2</sub> or other emissions. The conclusion is clear: in order to rapidly mitigate climate change and achieve our global ambition for greenhouse gas emission reductions, the inflow of further fossil carbon from the ground into our system must be reduced as quickly as possible and by high volumes. In the energy and transport sector, this means a vigorous and fast expansion of renewable energies, hydrogen and electromobility, the so-called decarbonisation of these sectors. But the chemical and material industries have a high demand for carbon and are essentially only possible with carbon-based feedstocks, as most of their products cannot do

without carbon. Unlike energy, these sectors cannot be decarbonised and molecules will still need carbon. Instead, it makes much more sense to talk about defossilisation – a term that is becoming increasingly important in the context of new carbon thinking and carbon management.

In December 2020, the Bioenergy International Journal pointed out that the International Energy Agency (IEA) recently highlighted ‘blind spots’ of the global petroleum system. The journal emphasises the importance of petrochemicals, their prevalence in everyday products and their relevance to manufacture many parts of the modern energy system.

In light of the terrible war in the Ukraine, the renewable carbon concept becomes even more relevant. The defossilisation of our entire economic system is about more than climate protection only, it is also about the independence of economies that are not viable without fossil raw materials today.

The **Renewable Carbon Initiative (RCI)** was created after observing the struggles of the chemical and material industry in facing the enormous challenges to meet the climate goals set by the European Union and the sustainability expectations held by societies around the globe. It was clear that the industry has to go beyond using renewable energy and also consider their raw materials. Because decarbonisation is not an option for the chemical and material sector, as it is entirely based on the use of carbon, an alternative strategy is required: defossilisation through renewable carbon.

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[www.renewable-carbon-initiative.com](http://www.renewable-carbon-initiative.com)



Eleven leading companies from six countries founded the RCI on 23 September 2020, with nova-Institute as the initiator, executive office and scientific backbone with more than 40 scientists from a wide spectrum of expertise. A year and a half later, RCI has grown to nearly 40 members, 6 partners and more than 200 individual supporters.

The initiative aims to support and speed up the transition from fossil carbon to renewable carbon for all organic chemicals and materials. The RCI addresses the core problem of climate change, which is largely related to extracting and using additional fossil carbon from the ground.

The vision is stated clearly: By 2050, fossil carbon shall be completely substituted by renewable carbon, which is carbon from alternative sources: biomass, direct CO<sub>2</sub> utilisation and recycling. The founders are convinced that this is the only way for chemicals, plastics and other derived products to become more sustainable, more climate-friendly and part of the circular economy – part of the future. The RCI urges the industry to go beyond just using renewable energy and face the issue that ALL fossil carbon use has to end, as the carbon contained in the molecules of organic chemicals and materials is prone to end up in the atmosphere sooner or later as well. Only a full phase-out of fossil carbon will help to prevent a further increase in CO<sub>2</sub> concentrations.

Michael Carus, CEO of nova-Institute and executive manager of the RCI: *“This is about a fundamental change in the chemical industry. Just as the energy industry is being converted to renewable energies, so renewable carbon will become the new foundation of the future chemical and material industry.”*

For the first time since the industrial revolution, technology allows us to decouple chemical, plastics, fibre and other material industries from the use of fossil carbon. This is a fundamental game-changer, which inherits the potential for significant impact on climate protection since most of the embedded carbon in global commodities and consumer goods finds its way into the atmosphere.

The last few decades have given rise to multiple technological pathways to completely replace fossil carbon with sources of renewable carbon: biomass, direct CO<sub>2</sub> utilisation (from industrial flue gases, fermentation or the atmosphere), and mechanical and

chemical recycling. The renewable carbon strategy unites these sources and provides companies with a framework for future investments by creating sufficient space to operate. It also provides a strategic direction to reduce fossil carbon dependency, ultimately eliminating fossil carbon utilisation altogether. This material transformation is driven by a diverse mix of international brands and start-ups.

The RCI aims at fostering networks among its members and building new value chains to replace fossil carbon with renewable carbon. Since its launch, the initiative has been busy raising awareness and reaching out to industry, policy and the public. Besides creating a website with comprehensive information and marketing related press releases, the RCI regularly holds public webinars to address questions around renewable carbon ([www.renewable-carbon-initiative.com/events/](http://www.renewable-carbon-initiative.com/events/)). Video clips introducing each member of the RCI and their motivation are available on the RCI YouTube channel ([www.youtube.com/channel/UCyYmD4O6aGH5akqpxHzAqxQ](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCyYmD4O6aGH5akqpxHzAqxQ)) and a comic as a playful option for sharing and understanding the renewable carbon concept has been released. To bring the networking between RCI members to the next level, the Renewable Carbon Community was launched in autumn 2021, an online platform that has developed into the heart of RCI cooperation and discussions.

A current milestone of the RCI activities is the publication of the fundamental policy paper *“Renewable Carbon as a Guiding Principle for Sustainable Carbon Cycles”* in February 2022, which comprehensively presents and explains the entire renewable carbon concept and makes eleven concrete recommendations to policymakers ([www.renewable-carbon-initiative.com/media/library/](http://www.renewable-carbon-initiative.com/media/library/)). Why it is right to choose renewable carbon as a guiding principle for sustainable development in the chemicals and materials sectors and what does this mean for future policy?

To decouple chemistry from fossil carbon, the key question is which non-fossil carbon sources can be used in the future. Rapid developments in biosciences and chemistry have unlocked novel, renewable and increasingly affordable sources of carbon, which provide us with alternative solutions for a more sustainable chemicals and materials sector.

These alternative sources are: biomass, utilisation of CO<sub>2</sub> and recycling. They are combined under the term “renewable carbon”. When used as a guiding principle, renewable carbon provides a clear goal to work towards with sufficient room to manoeuvre for the whole sector. It enables the industry to think out of the box of established boundaries and stop the influx of additional fossil carbon from the ground.

The systematic change to renewable carbon will not only require significant efforts from industry, but must be supported by policy measures, technology developments and major investments. In order to implement a rapid and high-volume transition away from fossil carbon, and to demonstrate its impact, a supportive policy framework is essential. The emphasis should be put on sourcing carbon responsibly and in a manner that does not adversely impact the wider planetary boundaries nor undermines societal foundations. An overarching carbon management strategy is required that also takes specific regional and application-related features into account, to identify the most sustainable carbon source from the renewable carbon family. This will allow for a proper organisation of the complex transition from today’s fossil carbon from the ground to renewable energy and to renewable carbon across all industrial sectors.

RCI has developed eleven concrete policy recommendations on renewable carbon, such as carbon management, support for the transformation of the existing chemical infrastructure and the transformation of biofuel plants into chemical suppliers. In March and April 2022, RCI has been in a number of meetings in Brussels with different Directorates General and industry associations to discuss the recommendations and anchor them in future policy. The messages of the Renewable Carbon Initiative (RCI) were met with great interest, open doors and a willingness to rethink – on the one hand because of the advancing climate crisis, and on the other hand because of the Ukraine war, which has highlighted Europe’s problematic dependence on Russian crude oil and natural gas.

RCI’s internal work is organised in working groups in which all members can participate. The Policy Working Group comprehensively analyses European policy (in the future potentially also Asian and American policy), works on several policy papers and responds to different consultations.

The working groups “Sustainability” and “Recycling” exchange information at a high level on the latest developments in their fields, e.g. Scope 3 emissions. And the Labelling WG is developing a Renewable Carbon Share (RCS) label, which should be available from the end of the year.

In the first year a lot of background information was provided, this year several fundamental publications will be published on carbon flows in the world and in Europe, potential GHG reduction potential of chemistry through alternative carbon sources, utilisation of CO<sub>2</sub> versus sequestration, food vs. non-food in the bioeconomy and on LCA methodology.

In summary, the RCI’s activities reflect the needs of its members: awareness-raising for renewable carbon, promoting the strategy, political lobbying, providing background data and information on the concept and its potential impact, networking opportunities and building new value chains to replace fossil carbon with biomass, direct CO<sub>2</sub> utilisation and recycling.

Michael Carus explains the success of the initiative: *“Nothing is more powerful than an idea whose time has come. I can’t explain the success any other way. It was obvious that the embedded fossil carbon had to come into focus in the world of chemistry and materials now that there are far-reaching strategies for the energy sector. For two reasons: with the increasing decarbonisation of the energy sector, the GHG emissions of material use are becoming increasingly visible and relevant. Moreover, the chemical and plastics industry in particular needs a sustainable strategy that gives it enough leeway to become an accepted part of the future again. The time is right and new companies are joining the Renewable Carbon Initiative every month, so we see strong momentum and are happy that the members seem to be very satisfied with our activities and impacts.”*



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# Day 1

**Tuesday, 10 May 2022**

**9:30 – 18:00 (CET)**

**Maternussaal (Ground Floor)**

## Conference Opening



**09:30** **Michael Carus**  
nova-Institute (DE)

## Bio- and CO<sub>2</sub>-based Refineries



**Chairpersons**  
**Michael Carus & Achim Raschka**  
nova-Institute (DE)



**09:40** **Annelie Jongerius**  
**Avantium (NL)**  
Electrochemical CO<sub>2</sub> Reduction to  
Formic Acid in the Heart of an Urban  
Biorefinery



**10:00** **Stefano Facco**  
**Novamont (IT)**  
The Vertical Integration of  
Biorefineries



**10:20** **Barbara Gall**  
**UPM Biochemicals (DE/FI)**  
Novel Solutions for More Sustainable  
Elastomers and Thermoplastic  
Materials



**10:40** **Babette Pettersen**  
**LanzaTech (BE/US)**  
A New CarbonSmart™ Future

**11:00** **Panel Discussion with all Speakers of the Session and Special Panelists**

**11:20** **Coffee Break**



**11:50** **Peep Pitk**  
**Fibenol (EE)**  
Wood to Sugars, Lignin and Unique  
Microcrystalline Cellulose Industrial  
Scale-up



**12:10** **Manuel Clauss**  
**Fibers365 (DE)**  
Fibers365 – Truly Carbon  
Negative Virgin Fibers and Bio-  
based Chemicals from Annual  
Plants



**12:30** **Svetlana Obydenkova**  
**Maastricht University (NL)**  
Environmental and Economic  
Perspectives of the Novel Lignin  
Valorisation Route – Lignin First  
Biorefinery Concept

**12:50** **Panel Discussion with all Speakers of the Session and Special Panelists**

**13:10** **Lunch Break**

## Chemical Industry, New Refinery Concepts & Chemical Recycling



### Chairpersons

**Michael Carus & Matthias Stratmann**  
nova-Institute (DE)



**14:40 Paul Bremer**  
**rheingold (DE)**  
Sinner or Savior: Psychological Potentials and Challenges of the Chemical Industry in the New World



**15:00 Jens Hamprecht**  
**BASF (DE)**  
Net Zero Emissions and Plastic Circularity – How Do We Get There



**15:20 Lars Börger**  
**NESTE (DE/FI)**  
Renewable Carbon in Practice – Large Scale Transformation in the Chemical Industry

**15:40 Panel Discussion with all Speakers of the Session and Special Panelists**

**16:00 Coffee Break**



**16:30 Jason Pierce**  
**Eastman (US)**  
Enabling a Circular Economy for Plastics: Life Cycle Assessment for Two of Eastman's Commercial-scale Advanced Recycling Solutions – Methanolysis and Carbon Renewal Technology



**16:50 Wolfgang Hofer**  
**OMV Downstream (AT)**  
OMV ReOil® – Chemical Recycling – a Technology Enabling the Recycling of Plastics Complementary to Mechanical Recycling



**17:10 Christian Strebel**  
**Haldor Topsoe (DK)**  
PureStep™ – Tackling Challenges on Converting Plastic Pyrolysis Oil into Drop-in Renewable Naphtha



**17:30 Dhivya Puri**  
**Fiberight (UK)**  
Chemicals and Materials from Municipal Solid Waste

**17:50 Panel Discussion with all Speakers of the Session and Special Panelists**

**18:00 Networking**

**20:00 Dinner Buffet at Maternushaus**

**21:00 Michael Brandkamp**  
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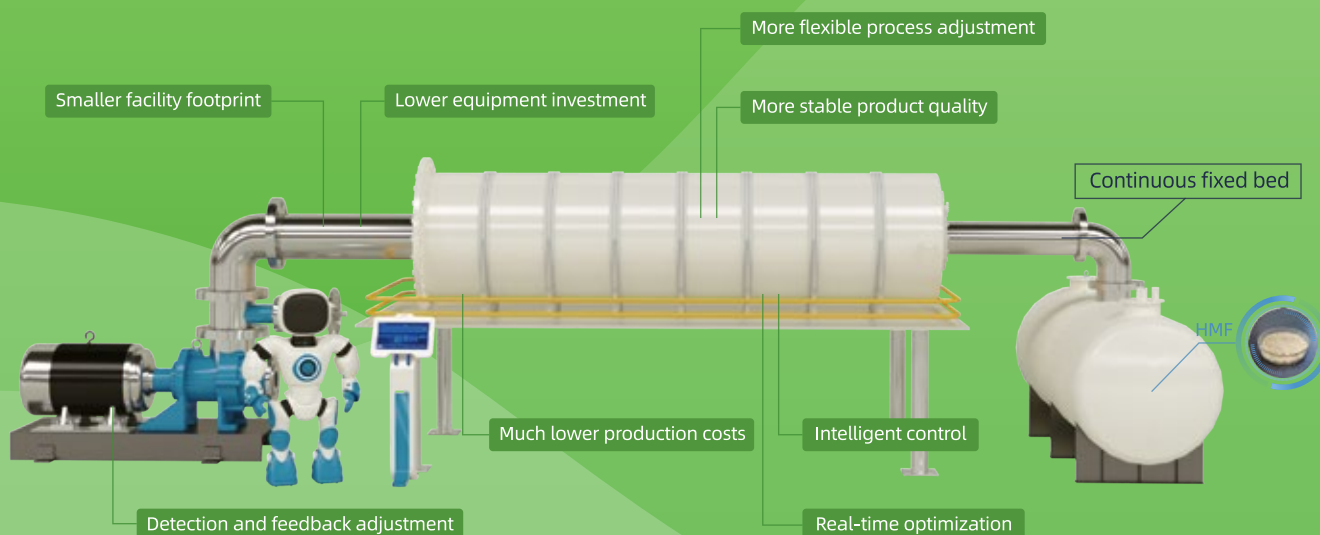
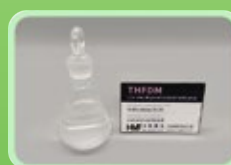
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# Day 2

Wednesday, 11 May 2022

9:00 – 18:00 (CET)

Maternussaal (Ground Floor)

## Conference Opening



**09:00** **Michael Carus**  
nova-Institute (DE)

## Renewable Chemicals and Building Blocks



**Chairpersons**  
**Michael Carus & Achim Raschka**  
nova-Institute (DE)



**09:10** **Paul Könst**  
TNO (NL)  
Renewable Bio-Aromatic Building  
Blocks: Biorizon Platforms  
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**09:30** **Doris De Guzman**  
Tecnon OrbiChem (US)  
Renewable Chemicals and  
Building Blocks: An Overview



**09:50** **Christian Lenges**  
IFF (US)  
Sustainable Material Innovation –  
Engineered Polysaccharides

**10:10** **Panel Discussion with all Speakers of the Session  
and Special Panelist: Bernhard Urwyler, SugarEnergy (CN)**

**10:30** **Coffee Break**

## Renewable Polymers and Plastics – Technology and Markets



**Chairpersons**  
**Michael Carus & Achim Raschka**  
nova-Institute (DE)



**11:00** **Philippe Reutenauer**  
Compagnie Léa Nature (FR)  
Call for Action from a Brand Owner:  
Which Future for Bio-based Plastics  
in Fast Moving Consumer Goods'  
Packaging



**11:20** **Bineke Posthumus**  
Avantium (NL)  
PEF, the Next Generation  
Plant-based Plastic with Unique  
Properties



**11:40** **Jan Ravenstijn**  
Jan Ravenstijn Consulting /  
GO!PHA (NL)  
Natural PHA-Materials:  
What's the Use?



**12:00** **Michael Kember**  
Econic Technologies (UK)  
Econic Technologies – Turning CO<sub>2</sub>  
into Endless Value

12:20 **Panel Discussion with all Speakers of the Session and Special Panelist: [Francesco Montecchio, Alfa Laval \(SE\)](#)**

12:40 **Lunch Break**



14:10 **Otto de Bont**  
**Renewi (NL)**  
The RACE to Circularity



14:30 **Stephan Roest**  
**Borealis (AT)**  
Borealis Aims to Keep Polyolefin Plastics and Carbon in the Loop to Become 100% Circular



14:50 **Christian Ruthard**  
**INEOS Styrolution (DE)**  
Sustainable Styrenics Specialty Solutions



15:10 **Erik Schwartz**  
**SABIC (NL/SA)**  
SABIC Specialties SBU's Innovative Portfolio of Sustainable Solutions

15:30 **Panel Discussion with all Speakers of the Session and Special Panelist: [Hao Ding, Sorona/Dupont \(US\)](#)**

15:50 **Coffee Break**

## Innovation Award “Renewable Material of the Year 2022”



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**nova-Institute (DE)**



16:20 **Michael Carus**  
**nova-Institute (DE)**  
Introduction



16:30 **Rosasilvia Raggio Borregaard (NO)**  
Exilva® Cellulose Fibrils



16:40 **Jason Pierce**  
**Eastman (US)**  
Material-to-Material Molecular Recycling Technologies



16:50 **Marion Vincent**  
**Lactips (FR)**  
Plastic Free Paper™ with CareTips® – a Natural Polymer to Rethink Plastic



17:00 **Rich Riley**  
**Origin Materials (US)**  
Technology Platform for Producing Carbon Negative PET



17:10 **Nicholas Flanders**  
**Twelve Benefit Corporation (US)**  
Electrochemical CO<sub>2</sub> Transformation to Chemicals and Materials



17:20 **Andreas Kohl**  
**VERBIO Vereinigte BioEnergie (DE)**  
VerBioChem Ethenolysis Platform for Renewable Chemicals

17:30 **Voting**



17:40 **Thorsten Heinemann**  
**Covestro (DE)**  
Innovation Award Ceremony

18:00 **Networking with Local Beer and Snacks**

20:00 **Meeting point for a social evening gathering: Kölsch Brewery: FRÜH am Dom, in the “Wappensaal”**

18:30 – 20:00 **Meeting of the Renewable Carbon Initiative (RCI) (for members only)**

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# Current Trends in Fine Chemicals



Dennis Herzberg and Sarah Refai

Climate change is one of the greatest challenges of our time. Its direct and indirect consequences are potentially dramatic for us humans and the entire ecosystem. But how can the ongoing climate change be stopped, and the climate goals be achieved? A comprehensive transformation of our economy is needed to counter climate change, to mitigate its consequences and to preserve the environment. This transformation is relevant in all economic sectors, such as energy, transport and logistics, construction and must extend from the primary sector to industrial production processes. But also consumer behaviour is an important lever.

A main pillar of this transformation process is the reduction of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions and thus carbon usage. While energy supply can be decarbonised, this is not possible for the chemical and materials sector, as these are based on carbon. Additionally, increasing world population, higher incomes and a growing middle class will drive the need for products and materials and thus also for more carbon, like the latest trends on polymer demand and production published by nova-Institute show.

To rapidly mitigate climate change and achieve the goals for greenhouse gas emission reductions, the input of additional carbon from fossil raw materials to the atmosphere must be stopped. This can be achieved by using renewable carbon from CO<sub>2</sub>, recycling streams or biomass. The chemical industry needs to largely convert its raw material basis to renewable carbon from all these sources. For the field of special chemicals, however, the use of biomass is of particular importance. Compared to bulk chemicals such as methanol, ethanol or ammonium, specialty or fine chemicals are required in much smaller quantities and volumes. On the other hand, they are characterised by a high degree of complexity and functionality, as they are needed in a plethora of sectors such as personal and home care (cosmetics, flavours and

fragrances, surfactants), textiles, packaging, coatings, adhesives, or functionalised surfaces, but also the food and feed industries have a high demand for highly functionalised substances (such as flavours, fragrances, supplements, nutraceuticals, alternative proteins). Here, biomass offers the potential to preserve the inherent functionality and complexity already synthesized by nature, instead of increasing functionality step-by-step like fossil-based chemistry is used to. This approach makes it possible to produce complex fine chemicals in a more sustainable and climate-friendly way.

In addition to the use of biomass, biotechnology also plays a key role as a central cross-sectional technology for the establishment of a sustainable circular economy. Biotechnology can contribute to the production of fine chemicals with a highly selective and efficient catalysis: Besides whole-cell catalysts, the use of enzymes plays a central role. These methods can reduce the use of metal catalysts, for example, and reactions can take place under mild conditions leading to more sustainable and circular production processes. Even inert molecules such as CO<sub>2</sub> can be converted into complex polymers through microbial fermentation processes.

However, biotechnological production methods not only offer the advantage of producing highly complex molecules, but also offer the possibility to develop completely new building blocks for a bioeconomy and circular economy. Here, digitalisation (e.g. AI or big data), as well as synthetic biology, biomanufacturing, and bioprinting play an increasingly significant role. Important current trends like raw material change towards renewable carbon and climate-friendly production processes, are not only on the political agenda and anchored in climate goals, the SDGs or the EU-Green Deal, but are also implemented already at industrial level. Many companies have set themselves dedicated and ambitious climate targets

and are thus setting a high pace for achieving these targets. Furthermore, many production processes and product developments based on renewable carbon or biotechnology are already established in the market or are in the final stages of development. This underlines, the willingness of the companies to actually tackle this transition and not just set ambitious goals for the future.

UPM, for example, has committed to reducing its CO<sub>2</sub> emissions by 65% by 2030 and is investing around 550 million euros at its Leuna site to build a wood-based biorefinery. Clariant is demonstrating innovative biotechnological solutions for the production of cellulosic ethanol from plant residues through the sunliquid® process. LanzaTech has developed a whole-cell catalysis system to produce the bulk chemical ethanol on an industrial scale. Other major manufacturers are contributing to climate change mitigation through their climate targets and bio-based manufacturing processes for a wide range of products, including Henkel, aiming to achieve a climate-positive carbon footprint for all production sites by 2030.

Covestro, together with Genomatica, is developing a biotechnological process for the production of bio-based hexamethylene diamine, an important starting material for nylon-6,6. Evonik is investing a three-digit million Euro sum in the production of bio-based rhamnolipids. Furthermore, SMEs like Phytowelt Green Technologies can synthesize high-quality raspberry fragrance using a fermentation process at commercial scale.

These examples show how diverse the possible applications of bio-based and biotechnological conversion routes, production processes and products are. This will also be highlighted in the Fine Chemical Session of this year's Renewable Materials Conference. Among other things, you can expect exciting presentations on novel manufacturing processes based on wood or sugar beet, e.g. to produce fragrances, as well as insights into new sustainable technology approaches in the production of plastics, preservatives for beverages and food, the production of sustainable dyes, pigments and surfactants.

#### Personal & home care

- Biodegradability
- Cosmetics
- Flavours and fragrances
- Surfactants



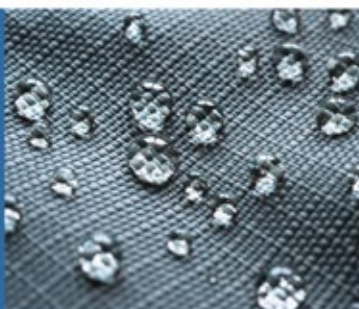
#### Food, feed & nutrition

- Alternative protein sources
- Crop protection
- Flavours and fragrances
- Nutraceuticals
- Supplements



#### High performance materials

- Adhesives
- Coatings
- Functionalised surfaces
- Packaging
- Textiles (fibres)



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# Day 2

## Parallel Session

9:00 – 16:00 (CET)

3-Königssaal (First Floor)

### Fine Chemicals



**09:00 Dennis Herzberg**  
CLIB – Cluster Industrielle Biotechnologie (DE)  
Opening of the Second Day



**Moderators**  
**Sarah Refai & Dennis Herzberg**  
CLIB – Cluster Industrielle Biotechnologie (DE)



**09:10 Jaime Gracia Vitoria**  
VITO (BE)  
Lignin Based Materials from Small  
Scale to Industrial Formulations



**09:30 Maud Reiter &  
Hazel Ustundag George**  
Firmenich (CH)  
From Pine to Perfume



**09:50 Rosasilvia Raggio**  
Borregaard (NO)  
Fibrillated Cellulose as Stabilising  
Agent in Household, Industrial, and  
Institutional Product Systems



**10:10 Panel Discussion with all Speakers of the Session and Special Panelists**

**10:30 Coffee Break**



**11:00 Thomas Farmer**  
University of York (UK)  
Sustainable Functional Circular  
Polyesters from Biomass



**11:20 Rahul Dagwar &  
Robert Lazeroms**  
Cosun Beet Company (NL)  
Sugar Beet as a Sustainable  
Source of Inspiration for  
Innovation in Bio-based Chemicals  
and Materials – Galactaric Acid  
a Novel Bio-based Corrosion  
Inhibitor Based on Sugar Beet  
Pulp



**11:40 Francesco Montecchio**  
Alfa Laval Technologies (SE)  
High-speed Separation for PHA  
Production Process: Higher Yield and  
Power Savings



**12:00 Jens Bitzer**  
Lanxess / IMD Natural  
Solutions (DE)  
Natural Glycolipids as Novel  
Preservative for Beverages and  
Food

**12:20 Panel Discussion with all Speakers of the Session and Special Panelists**

**12:40 Lunch Break**



**14:10 Jan-Hendrik Kamlage**  
Center for Environmental  
Management, Resources  
and Energy (CURE) at Ruhr-  
University Bochum (DE)  
&  
**Julia Reinermann**  
University Hagen (DE)  
Prospects and Limits of High  
Performance Bio-based Ingredients  
in Products of Sustainable  
Consumption



**14:30 Math Lambalk**  
Avantium (NL)  
&  
**Marilia Foukaraki**  
Cosun Beet Company (NL)  
From Cosun Beets to Ray Glycols:  
the Road to Commercialisation



**14:50 Guillaume Boissonnat-Wu**  
PILI (FR)  
New Bio-based Building Blocks for  
the Production of Sustainable Dyes,  
Pigments and Chemicals



**15:10 Dirk Leinweber**  
Clariant (CH)  
Surfactants Sustainability  
Transformation – Drop Ins and  
Novel Molecular Solutions

**15:30 Panel Discussion with all Speakers of the Session and Special Panelists**

**15:50 Coffee Break**

**16:20 Innovation Award “Renewable Material of the Year 2022”**

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# “Renewable Material of the Year 2022”

Six innovations are nominated. Participants at the “Renewable Materials Conference” will vote for the winners.


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With the innovation award “Renewable Material of the Year 2022”, we would like to award three particularly exciting and promising solutions that contribute to replacing fossil carbon from the ground. Innovations could be submitted until 15 March, and 31 came in. The Advisory Board and the nova experts had some trouble finding the six most exciting ones and nominating them for the award. Get to know the six nominees better in this small innovation brochure.

The Innovation Award is one highlight of the “Renewable Materials Conference”, 10-12 May in Cologne (Germany) with 60 confirmed speakers and more than 400 expected participants. On the second day of the conference, the nominated companies will present their products and all conference participants, on site and online, will vote for the three winners. An exciting competition that you decide.

All information and registration at: [renewable-materials.eu](https://renewable-materials.eu)

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Michael Carus, CEO nova-Institute

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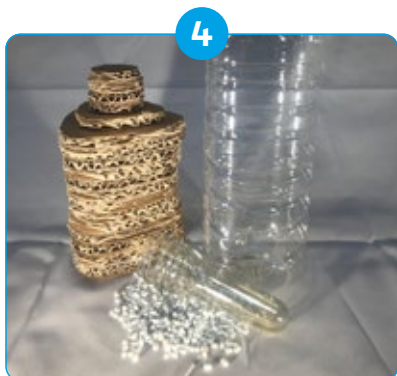


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## Nominees of the Innovation Award

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## Borregaard (NO)

### Exilva® Cellulose Fibrils



Borregaard's Exilva®, a novel cellulose fibril from Norway Spruce. Exilva L-grade to the left, Exilva V-grade to the right



Exilva V-grade in the jar to the left, Exilva L-grade in the spray bottle to the right

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More information: [www.borregaard.com](http://www.borregaard.com)

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## Eastman (US)

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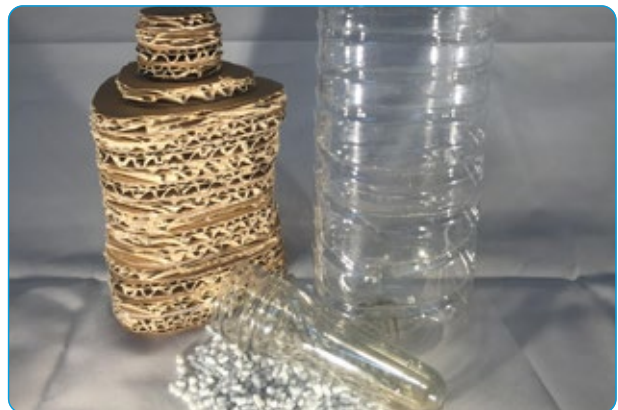
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### Origin Materials (US)

#### Technology Platform for Producing Carbon Negative PET



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## Twelve Benefit Corporation (US) Electrochemical CO<sub>2</sub> Transformation to Chemicals and Materials



Twelve's patented membrane electrode assembly for CO<sub>2</sub> transformation



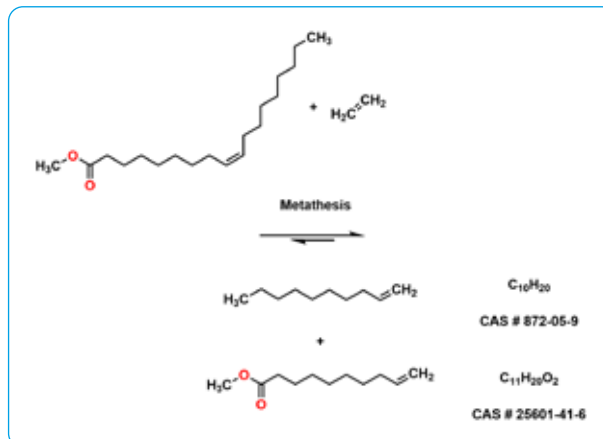
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More information: [www.twelve.co](http://www.twelve.co)

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## VERBIO Vereinigte BioEnergie (DE) VerBioChem Ethenolysis Platform for Renewable Chemicals



VerBioChem – reaction scheme from FAME to Methyl-9-decenoate and 1-Decene by metathesis/ethenolysis



VerBioChem catalysts

VERBIO has developed the VerBioChem process for the production of specialty chemicals and polymers with a low carbon footprint from renewable rapeseed methyl esters by olefin metathesis/ethenolysis: Methyl 9-decenoate, 1-decene and C18 diacids (e.g. dimethyl 9-octadecenedioate). VERBIO is currently building a commercial-scale ethenolysis plant in Germany with a nominal capacity of 50-60 kt/a of products. The first products are expected in 2024. VerBioChem will offer renewable chemicals with a broad range of applications as an innovative platform for the chemical industry.

More information: [www.verbio.de](http://www.verbio.de)

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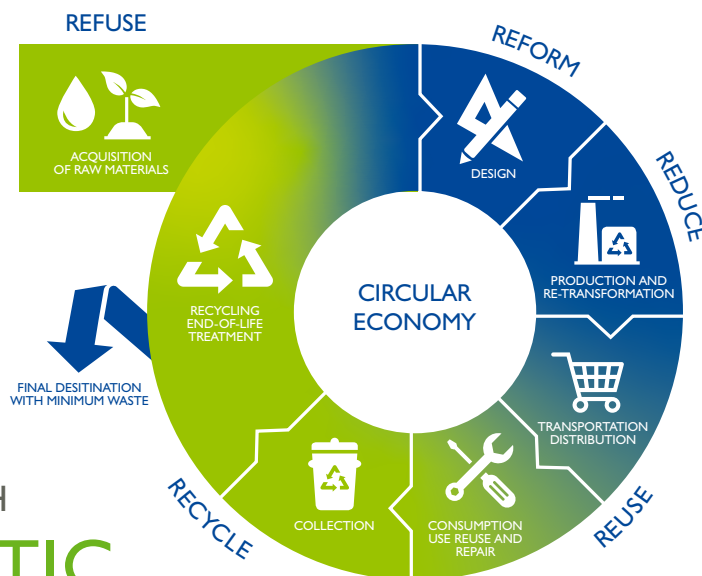
**First Clear Plastic Bottles  
from Enzymatically  
Recycled Textile Waste**

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# Day 3

Thursday, 12 May 2022

9:00 – 17:00 (CET)

Maternussaal (Ground Floor)

## Conference Opening



**09:00** **Michael Carus**  
nova-Institute (DE)

## Latest nova Research



**Chairpersons**  
**Michael Carus & Mika Plum**  
nova-Institute (DE)



**09:10** **Michael Carus**  
nova-Institute (DE)  
Latest Update on the Renewable  
Carbon Initiative (RCI)



**09:20** **Lara Dammer**  
nova-Institute (DE)  
EU Policy Update – Fit-for-55,  
Taxonomy and Sustainable  
Carbon Cycles



**09:30** **Ferdinand Kähler**  
nova-Institute (DE)  
CO<sub>2</sub> Reduction Potential of the  
Chemical Industry through CCU



**09:40** **Lars Krause**  
nova-Institute (DE)  
Update on Chemical Recycling  
World-wide



**09:50** **Pauline Ruiz**  
nova-Institute (DE)  
Latest Market Data on Bio- and  
CO<sub>2</sub>-based Polymers



**10:00** **Gillian Tweddle**  
nova-Institute (DE)  
Tailor-made Research & Studies –  
the nova Approach

**10:10** **Panel Discussion with all Speakers of the Session and Special Panelists**

**10:30** **Coffee Break**

## The Policy & Brands View on Renewable Materials



**Chairpersons**  
**Michael Carus & Lara Dammer**  
nova-Institute (DE)



**11:00** **Fabien Ramos**  
European Commission,  
DG Climate (EU)  
Sustainable Carbon Cycles



**11:20** **Søren Kristiansen**  
The LEGO Group (DK)  
The LEGO Group's Renewable  
Material Strategy



**11:40 Arndt Scheidgen**  
**Henkel (DE)**  
Renewable Material Strategy in  
Laundry & Home Care



**12:00 Helmut Schmitz**  
**Grüner Punkt / DSD – Duales  
System Holding (DE)**  
Innovative Recycling of Flexible  
Packaging from the Yellow  
Bin – Technology and Market  
Development

**12:20 Panel Discussion with all Speakers of the Session and Special Panelists**

**12:40 Lunch Break**

## Biodegradation



**Chairpersons**  
**Michael Carus & Lara Dammer**  
nova-Institute (DE)



**14:00 Andreas Künkel**  
**BASF (DE)**  
Fundamental Understanding of  
Biodegradability



**14:20 Miriam Weber**  
**HYDRA Marine Sciences (DE)**  
Biodegradable Plastics in Open  
Environments – Scientific  
Answers and Tools for a Holistic  
Evaluation

**14:40 Panel Discussion with all Speakers of the Session and Special Panelists**

## Renewable Plastics and Composites



**Chairpersons**  
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nova-Institute (DE)



**15:00 Asta Partanen**  
**nova-Institute (DE)**  
Biocomposites Granulates in  
Mainstream Applications



**15:20 Wridzer Bakker**  
**Plantics (NL)**  
Renewable Material of the Year  
2021. What Happened Next?



**15:40 Janina Jarothe**  
**rezemo (DE)**  
Shaping the Future with Wood



**16:00 Dirk Punke**  
**Büfa (DE)**  
Unidirectionally Reinforced  
Biocomposites in New  
Applications

**16:20 Panel Discussion with all Speakers of the Session and Special Panelists**





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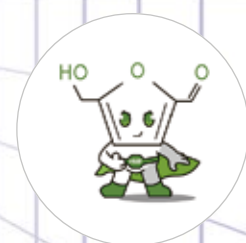
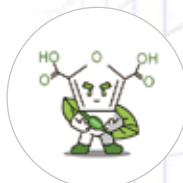
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## Valuable Quotes

**Francesco Montecchio**

**Alfa Laval (SE)**

“Alfa Laval’s separation technologies can make bioplastic production dramatically more cost effective.”

**Bineke Posthumus**

**Avantium (NL)**

“Imagine a circular plant-based plastic with high performance properties and endless possibilities for application. PEF is a 100% plant-based, recyclable and degradable plastic, with superior performance properties compared to today’s widely used petroleum-based packaging materials. In this presentation we will demonstrate how PEF enables a circular and plant-based future.”

**Jens Hamprecht**

**BASF (DE)**

“An ambitious redesign of the plastics value chain is needed right now. I am optimistic we will achieve it through a combination of innovation power, collaboration throughout the value chain and supportive policies.”

**Rosasilvia Raggio**

**Borregaard (NO)**

“Fibrillated cellulose produced by Borregaard is a nature-based, sustainable material and thanks to its multiple functionalities it can be added to HI&I products’ formulations to enhance their performances and obtain unique benefits.”

**Philippe Reutenauer**

**Compagnie Léa Nature (FR)**

“Today if the thirst for sustainable materials for packaging is bigger than ever, the tension on availability of currently used sustainable plastics (bioHDPE, rPET) and the absence of visibility on creation of recycling streams for new biobased plastics makes it difficult for a brand owner to forecast what will be the sustainable plastics of tomorrow.”

**Math Lambalk**

**Avantium (NL)**

“Starting from Cosun sugar beets and by using Avantium’s Ray Technology™, we aim to jointly contribute to a fossil free future by bringing renewable, sustainable, drop-in glycols to multiple market applications.”

**Bart van den Bosch**

**Avantium (NL)**

“Electrocatalytic CO<sub>2</sub> reduction and hydrogen production can become economically more viable when paired with valuable oxidation reactions.”

**Andreas Künkel**

**BASF (DE)**

“The fundamental understanding of biodegradability is the enabler to develop new biodegradable products, meaningful biodegradation standards and get stakeholder acceptance.”

**Dirk Punke**

**BÜFA (DE)**

“Biocomposite goes High-Tech.”

**Dirk Leinweber**

**Clariant (CH)**

“Clariant’s journey towards a more sustainable surfactant portfolio.”

**Robert Lazeroms**

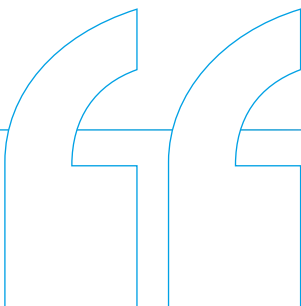
**Cosun Beet Company (NL)**

“Natural corrosion inhibitor based on sugar beet pulp.”

**Helmut Schmitz**

**Der Grüne Punkt (DE)**

“Flexible packaging, accounting for 44% of the total post-consumer packaging waste in the EU, already has a lot potential to become circular, built on the principles of resource efficiency, prevention of waste and pollution, but needs much more support.”



**Jason Pierce**

**Eastman (US)**

“Eastman’s methanolysis is a type of molecular recycling technology that will help solve the world’s plastic waste crisis while also resulting in significant reduction in carbon emissions.”

**Fabien Ramos**

**European Commission (EU)**

“Presentation on the key elements of the Communication on Sustainable Carbon Cycles adopted by the European Commission on December 2021.”

**Dhivya Puri**

**Fiberight (UK)**

“The end of waste: A novel approach to the valorisation of resources in mixed residual waste.”

**Maud Reiter & Hazal Ustundag George**

**Firmenich (CH)**

“Turning pine into perfume for the conscious consumer.”

**Christian Lenges**

**IFF (US)**

“IFF, a leader in biotechnology, is enabling innovation to help our customers achieve their sustainability targets, providing an update on the Engineered Polysaccharide venture and progress towards commercial reality.”

**Jan Ravenstijn**

**Jan Ravenstijn Consulting (NL)**

“Natural PHA: the sleeping giant awakens!”

**Jens Bitzer**

**Lanxess (DE)**

“Obtained from an edible mushroom, Nagardo is a biotechnological innovation for food preservation.”

**Michael Kember**

**Econic Technologies (UK)**

“The presentation will highlight Econic’s innovative catalyst technology that enables existing polyol manufacturers to incorporate captured CO<sub>2</sub> into essential products.”

**Peep Pitk**

**Fibenol (EE)**

“Fibenol turns new page in commercializing wood to biomaterials and biochemicals pathway at industrial scale.”

**Manuell Clauss**

**Fibres365 (DE)**

“The holistic utilization of biomass, especially of annually re-growing plants, is the key for an effective future bio economy and sustainable carbon loop.”

**Christian Strebel**

**Haldor Topsoe (DK)**

“This presentation will address typical technical challenges when upgrading pyrolysis oils and how to solve them through tailored solution approach deployed commercially.”

**Christian Ruthard**

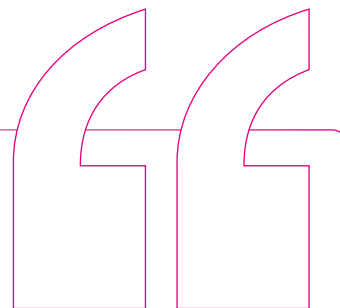
**INEOS Styrolution (DE)**

“At INEOS Styrolution our various innovations have led to sustainable drop-in solutions for our styrenics specialties products applying different recycling methods and bio-attributed feedstocks.”

**Svetlana Obydenkova**

**Maastricht University (NL)**

“This presentation is about the sustainability of lignin value creation chain, i.e. how it performs while moving from low to high value applications.”



## Valuable Quotes

**Babette Pettersen**

**LanzaTech (US/BE)**

“By capturing the carbon contained in waste gases to produce Fuels and Chemicals, LanzaTech’s gas fermentation process provides a dual benefit; both reducing emissions in industrial processes and creating value through recycling the carbon into CarbonSmart™ products, without extracting additional fossil carbon from the ground.”

**Janina Jarothe**

**rezemo (DE)**

“Sustainability that works: Using wood-based and fully renewable materials for packaging of fast-moving consumer goods (FMCG) allows us to offer a high quality and environmentally friendly alternative for various products.”

**Jan-Hendrik Kamlage**

**Ruhr-University (DE)**

“Sustainable consumption is a cornerstone of facing the great societal challenge of climate change in the future. So far, the acceptance and market shares of bio based ingredients in consumer products increase slowly and thus needs improved communication or additional incentives.”

**Paul Könst**

**TNO (NL)**

“Biorizon established three bio-based technology platforms towards renewable aromatic building blocks: discover why, how and what’s next!”

**Barbara Gall**

**UPM (DE)**

“Join us moving to a lighter and more sustainable future with the next generation of Renewable Functional Fillers for rubber & plastics applications.”

**Miriam Weber**

**Marine Sciences (DE)**

“We explain a multi-tier test scheme of reliable and environmentally relevant methods that can solve the data gap problem of biodegradable plastic in the open environment.”

**Wolfgang Hofer**

**OMW (AT)**

“Mechanical Recycling and Chemical recycling are the perfectly complements, in semi commercial environment.”

**Paul Bremer**

**rheingold Köln (DE)**

“Oh God, we’re really only surrounded by chemicals.”

**Erik Schwartz**

**SABIC (NL)**

“SABIC’s Specialties innovative solutions that help customers achieve their net-zero carbon goals.”

**Søren Kristiansen**

**The LEGO Group (DK)**

“Creation of renewable materials requires contributions from everybody, everywhere.”

**Thomas Farmer**

**University of York (UK)**

“Bio-based highly functional polyesters are readily accessible from platform molecules and offer great potential for future circular materials.”

**Jamie Gracia Vitoria**

**VITO (BE)**

“From biomass waste to materials, contributing to a sustainable industry.”



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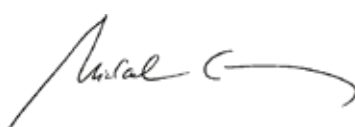
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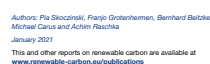


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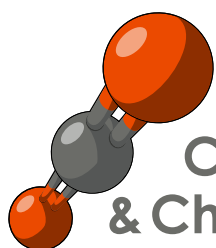


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