HOW CAN EU LEAD IN THE CIRCULAR BIOECONOMY

Launch of the EU Bioeconomy Clusters' Alliance

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AGENDA:

13:00 **Welcome and light lunch**

14:00 **Introduction**

14:15 **Welcome message**

Annie Renders, head of unit cluster policy at VLAIO

14:30 **The Circular Bioeconomy as a main pillar of the Clean Industrial Deal**

Catia Bastioli, President SPRING (online)

Panel discussion moderated by Filippo Giancarlo Martinelli, Irish Bioeconomy Foundation (IBF) with:
Astrid Ladefoged, Head of the Green Transitions Unit Directorate-General for R&I
Claire Skentelbery, Director General EuropaBio (tbc)
Dirk Carrez, Director BIC
James Cogan, EU Government Affairs Industry & Policy Director, ClonBio Group
Nicolò Giacomuzzi-Moore, Executive Director CBE JU
Sofie Carsten Nielsen, Director European Biosolutions Coalition & Danish Industry

16:00 ***Short break***

16:15 **The role of European clusters in making the Circular Bioeconomy happen**

Short presentations by each cluster: Bioeconomy Cluster (Slovakia), Bioeconomy4Change (France), CluBE (Greece), Cluster Industrial Biotechnology (Germany), Corporación Tecnológica de Andalucía (Spain), Food & Bio Cluster (Denmark), Food+i (Spain), Flanders' Food (Belgium), Greek Bioeconomy Council (Greece), Irish Bioeconomy Foundation (Ireland), Spring (Italy), P-BIO (Portugal), Wagralim (Belgium), World Bioeconomy Association (Finland)

17:30 **Signature of the MoU and launch of the EU Bioeconomy Clusters Alliance**

18:00 **Networking drink**

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