

## Report on the 2<sup>nd</sup> SC meeting

**Date and venue: 9 November 2022 (10:00-17:45 CET), online meeting**

### **PARTICIPANTS:**

**SC members (joining the online meeting):** Teresa ALVARIÑO, Olivier DUBOIS, Christian HUYGHE, Emmanuel KOUKIOS, Lene LANGE, Piergiuseppe MORONE, Kevin O'CONNOR, Merja PENTTILÄ, Jónas RÚNAR VIÐARSSON, József POPP, Yvonne VAN DER MEER, Helena VIEIRA, Gerhard WEISS, Jarmila ZIMMERMANNNOVA, Malgorzata ZIMNIEWSKA.

**European Commission (EC):** John BELL (Director, RTD B- Healthy Planet), Pavel MISIGA, (Head of Unit, RTD.B1), Petra GOYENS (Deputy Head of Unit RTD.B1), Paraskevi FILIPPOUSI, Silvia MALTAGLIATI, Tomasz CALIKOWSKI, Marton KERI, Paloma MALLORQUIN, Maarit NYMAN, Peter WEHRHEIM (Head of Unit, RTD.B2)

**Bio-based Industries (BIC):** Dirk CARREZ (Executive Director), Samuele AMBROSETTI, Nelo EMERENCIA, and Marco RUPP.

**CBE JU:** Nicolo' Giacomuzzi-Moore (interim Executive Director), Virginia PUZZOLO (Head of Programme), Pilar LLORENTE (SC Secretariat) and other CBE JU colleagues.

### **Agenda item 1: Opening**

#### **Helena Vieira (SC Chair)**

Ms. Vieira welcomed all SC members and participants from EC, BIC and CBE JU programme office. She emphasized the importance of the role of the SC members in providing advice to key programming strategic documents, such as the AWP2023, giving recommendations on CBE JU programme implementation and being ambassadors of the CBE JU initiative. She recalled the objectives of the SC meetings, thanked the SC members for the feedback sent on the AWP2023, and encouraged them all to actively participate during the discussion.

### **Agenda item 2: Welcome speeches**

**Nicolo' Giacomuzzi-Moore (CBE JU interim Executive Director), John Bell (Director of Healthy Planet, DG RTD.B, European Commission) and Dirk Carrez (Executive Director of BIC)** emphasized the potential of bio-based systems to fundamentally transform the economy and contribute to tackling the main global challenges, such as climate change mitigation and adaptation, biodiversity preservation, and promoting circular and sustainable industrial production. It was highlighted that the bio-based economy is key to reduce external dependence on resources and to become our own suppliers of sustainable feedstock, and that there is an urgent need to accelerate and scale up innovation, invest and facilitate access to finance.

### **Agenda item 3: Adoption of the minutes of the last meeting, confirmation of confidentiality and no Col and review of the “points for action” from the previous meeting**

The agenda of the 2<sup>nd</sup> SC meeting and the minutes of the 1<sup>st</sup> SC meeting were adopted, and the SC Chair explained that the two action points had been completed.

No conflicts of interests were raised.

### **Agenda item 4: Presentation of the CBE JU Programming procedure**

CBE JU, EC (RTD B1) and BIC delivered a joint presentation on the CBE JU programming procedure newly adopted by the Governing Board and the draft Multi Annual Programming document (MAP). The EC and BIC explained that a first round of consultation has been completed on the CBE MAP involving both parties, while the focus is now on the development of AWP23, based on this initial MAP input. A revision of the MAP and further consultation with the advisory bodies will take place in Q1-2023. The presentation was followed by a discussion with SC members.

### **Agenda item 5: AWP2023 presentation**

CBE JU PO, BIC and EC (RTD.B1) presented the overall timeline for AWP2023 adoption, its operational budget and the rational and challenges behind of each AWP2023 topic. The SC Chair presented the SC general comments on the AWP2023.

### **Agenda item 6: SC advice on AWP2023**

The SC Chair presented SC advice on the AWP2023 topics per type of action and opened the floor for the advice of SC members.

### **Agenda item 7: Update from CBE JU: programme progress**

Nicolo' Giacomuzzi-Moore presented an update on the main achievements and milestones since the last SC meeting, as well as the CBE JU priorities for 2023, the status of the deployment groups and the upcoming communication activities and events. Virginia Puzzolo presented the Call 2022 submission statistics and next steps in the process of evaluation and grant agreements preparation.

### **Agenda item 8: Update from EC on CBE JU related activities**

EC (RTD.B2) presented an overview of the milestones of one decade since the first EU Bioeconomy strategy, along with the outcomes of recent events and initiatives, such as the EU Bioeconomy Conference, the International Bioeconomy Forum and the European Bioeconomy Policy Forum. EC (RTD.B1) presented the adoption process and timeline of the Horizon Europe Cluster 6 Work Programme 2023-2024, as well as an overview of its budget, types of actions and the topics that have synergies with CBE JU programme, and an introduction to the preparation of the Horizon Europe Strategic Plan 2025-2027.



### **Agenda item 9: Update from BIC on CBE JU related activities**

Dirk Carrez introduced BIC objectives and activities in different domains, such as interaction with CBE JU bodies, business, finance and society and communication, as well as the Bio-based innovation student challenge Europe.

### **Agenda item 10: Open discussion**

The SC Chair opened the discussion about three topics proposed by SC members: CBE strategy, in light of the current energy and resource crisis; AWP's planning and timeline, and outlook of international collaboration within CBE JU programme.