PROGRAMME

New opportunities for the uptake of circular business models in the agro-food industry are emerging across the world to address climate challenges and contribute to the revitalisation of rural areas. The event will discuss the upcoming and desired evolutions of the European policy framework towards the development of a circular bioeconomy in the agro-food industry.

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| 14.00-14.10     | **Welcome and introduction**  
Vicky Mosteyrin Perdigueru, Managing Director, Greenovate! Europe                                                                            |
| 14.10-14.30     | **The EU legislative framework to support circular agro-food systems**  
Natalia Brzezina, Research Programme Officer, DG Agriculture and rural development, European Commission |
| 14.30-14.45     | **Challenges and opportunities for circular business practices in rural areas**  
Laura Jalasjoki, Policy Analyst, European Network for Rural Development                                                                    |
| 14.45-15.00     | **Circular economy as an industry practice: the case of Monaghan Mushrooms**  
Darragh Gaffney, Research and Development Manager, Monaghan Biosciences                                                                     |
| 15.00-15.15     | **Replicable business models for the agro-food sector: inspiration from the RUBIZMO initiative**  
Mulunken Adamseged, Researcher, Leibniz Institute for Agricultural Engineering & Bioeconomy                                            |
| 15.15-15.35     | Coffee break                                                                                                                             |
| 15.35-15.50     | **A circular biorefinery concept for agro-food residues: the BIOrescue project**  
Inés del Campo, Senior R&D Engineer, National Renewable Energy Centre of Spain (CENER)                                                   |
| 15.50-16.00     | **Recommendations towards a circular economy in European agriculture**  
Bénédicte Julliard, Project manager, Greenovate! Europe                                                                                        |
| 16.00-16.15     | **Delivering the Bioeconomy Strategy and Action Plan for agro-food businesses**  
Wim Haentjens, Policy Officer, DG Research and Innovation, European Commission                                                               |
| 16.15-16.30     | **Developing new bio-based value chains through public-private partnerships**  
Pilar Llorente, Project Officer, Bio-based Industries Joint Undertaking                                                                         |
| 16.30-17.20     | **Panel debate: Prospects for a sustainable and circular bioeconomy in the agro-food industry**  
Natalia Brzezina, Research Programme Officer, DG Agriculture and rural development, European Commission  
Wim Haentjens, Policy Officer, DG Research and Innovation, European Commission  
Pilar Llorente, Project Officer, Bio-based Industries Joint Undertaking  
Darragh Gaffney, Research and Development manager, Monaghan Biosciences  
Q&A from the audience                                                                 |
| 17.20-17.30     | **Conclusions and wrap up**  
Vicky Mosteyrin Perdigueru, Managing Director, Greenovate! Europe                                                                            |
| 17.30-18.30     | Cocktail and networking reception                                                                                                       |

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