TRIPLE-HELIX CONFERENCE ON BIO-BASED ECONOMY

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PRIORITY AREA 8 - COMPETITIVENESS INCLUDING CLUSTERING

Danube Region

Region specific topics seen through competitiveness

- promotion of **cooperation** and exchange of knowledge among **SMEs, academia** and **public sector** in Danube region;

- efficient SMEs measures and activities especially to support **innovations** and **new technologies**;

- strengthening of **entrepreneurship** and **competitiveness in rural** areas, especially in processing, industry and **clusters** development;

- efficient **infrastructure** to support SMEs performance

Competetiveness Targets and Related Activities

➢ Better use of environmental technologies

- Connecting relevant stakeholders

➢ Cluster mapping with focused on:

- Bio – based industry
- Analysis of Smart Specialization Strategies
- Value chain

➢ Improvement of competetiveness in rural areas and in agriculture particulary

Clusters Building and Advantages

- **High impact and value creation of non food biomass**

  - Coupled production

  - Cascade utilisation

  - Speed up innovations: integrated and coordinated

  - From Lab to development demonstration scale

  - Integration of the existing clusters

- **Next Generation Competitiveness** expanded to whole Danube Region, **focus on clusters**
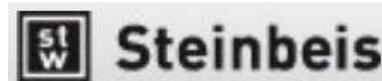
Future prospectives

➢ **Private – Public support**

➢ **Incentive mechanism** for start-ups in Bio-based industry:

- Competition
- Finance support scheme
- Specific infrastructure
- Smart use of local resources

➢ **Triple-Helix approach**

Potential Partners

See you in Vukovar!

4th Workshop on Clusters Networking and Development in Danube Region, 19-20 September 2016, Vukovar, Croatia

Workshop's focus on bio-based economy.