



Industrial Biotech
Network-Norway



Launching the Industrial Biotech Network – Norway

Be part of the emerging bioeconomy and the exciting innovation endeavor driving its development!

The Industrial Biotech Network is a public-private partnership supported by Innovation Norway, The Norwegian Research Council and SIVA. Our mission is to connect sectors and technologies, academia and industry, national and international stakeholders, in order to create new business opportunities and underpin a sustainable society.



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Please mark the date:

Inaugural meeting Industrial Biotech Network – Norway

11th June 2012, Grand Hotel, Oslo

It is a great pleasure to invite the Norwegian biotech community to this milestone event. The meeting is organized by Innovation Norway in close cooperation with the Norwegian Research Council and SIVA.

PROGRAM

10.00 – 12.00 Network Inaugural Meeting and Policy Session

- Representative of The Norwegian Government at Ministerial level
- Gunn Ovesen, Managing Director, Innovation Norway
- Anne Kjersti Fahlvik, Executive Director, Norwegian Research Council (tbc)
- Barend Verachtert, Deputy Head of Unit Biotechnologies, European Commission DG Research & Innovation
- Ken Guy, Head of the Science and Technology Policy Division, DSTI, OECD
- Jim Philp, Policy Analyst, OECD task force for industrial biotechnology
- Jane Owen, the British Ambassador to Norway
- John Sime, Deputy Director, Biosciences KTN, UK

12.00 – 13.00 Lunch

13.00 – 16.00 Innovation seminar on industrial biotechnology and biorefining

This session will highlight the diverse spectrum of business opportunities created by renewable feedstock and emerging technologies.

- Gudbrand Rødsrud, Technology Director, Borregaard AS
- Vincent Eijsink, Professor, Norwegian University of Life Sciences
- Neil Parry, Genesis Field Leader and Biotechnology Science Leader, Unilever PLC
- Pål Jahre Nilsen, Research and Development Manager, CAMBI AS
- Trond Ellingsen, Research Director, SINTEF, Materials and Chemistry
- Marianne Waage Fougner, Project Leader New Energy, Statoil ASA
- Kjartan Sandnes, Research and Development Manager, Marine Bioproducts AS
- 2 more speakers to be confirmed

REGISTRATION

Participation is free of charge. For registration, please go to www.indbiotech.no

For comments or further information about the network, please contact Marit Valseth, marva@innovationnorway.no, +47 909 66 998.



Industrial biotechnology and biorefining – a big opportunity

The emerging bioeconomy represents a paradigm shift for large parts of the industry, entailing challenges as well as huge opportunities. Essentially, it will require new forms of interaction and partnerships between the primary producers of renewable biomass, enabling technology and industries making a wide spectrum of products, including ingredients, chemicals, plastics and energy.

The Norwegian expertise in utilizing natural resources within the marine, agricultural and forestry sectors, as well as a solid knowledge base in general biotechnology, biocatalysis and microbial fermentation, represent a national advantage. However, the future competitiveness of the industry depends on concerted action by the public facilitators and continued investment into skills and infrastructure.

An industrial biotech network for Norway

Innovation Norway, The Norwegian Research Council and The Industrial Development Corporation of Norway (SIVA) have jointly engaged in a dialog process with the industry, aiming to establish an innovation and knowledge network for industrial biotechnology. This network is intended to be a key instrument supporting and implementing the Government's biotech strategy. We cordially invite companies, R&D institutes and academic institutions to engage in this initiative and explore the opportunities of the emerging bioeconomy.

What the network can do for you

The Norwegian Industrial Biotech Network will be organized as an independent membership association run by, and for, its members. The network will connect stakeholders from different sectors and disciplines, independent of geography. Its mission is to disseminate knowledge, support fundamental research and innovation of new products and processes. A key objective is to create new business and market opportunities through partnerships.

As a corporate or institutional member:

- You will become visible to potential partners within an extensive national and international industrial biotech community.
- You will be kept informed about new events, collaboration- and funding opportunities and have easy access to a unique pool of skills.
- You will actively engage in a public-private partnership to stimulate industrial biotechnology and position Norway in the emerging bioeconomy.

The network will also invite *individuals* to become registered users of the network, in order to mobilize the total Norwegian knowledge base in this area.

Become a member

A homepage for the new network to be launched soon. For further information and to confirm your interest in this initiative, please contact Ole Jørgen Marvik, Innovation Norway, olmar@innovationnorway.no, +47 911 95 876.

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