

Announcement of the 2nd Summer School (this year Online) on Circular Bioeconomy (American Farm School in Thessaloniki Greece)

Objectives & Aims

In the current Bioeconomy concept the key players are the new generation of experts and managers possessing a wide educational background and capable to cover the entire spectrum of this multidisciplinary and cross sectorial field. In this frame, we aim to invite students and young scientists to participate in the 2nd summer school to be organized online from 8 to 10 September and 25th September, 2020.

The Topic

The regional character of Bioeconomy is a very important parameter for the consideration of all aspects of analysis. This year the Mediterranean Basin has been chosen as a target region. The aim of this school is to highlight potential and particularities of the region and to show to the students, all over Europe the new perspectives and challenges

Target Audience

Number of participants: 25-30 preferably graduated and at relevant master and above level from the entire European Continent. Few Secondary School Teachers, as multipliers, will be seriously considered. Applicant will be selected based on their short CV and a 200 words Motivation Letter.

**PLEASE SEND YOUR APPLICATION WITH A SHORT CV (EU Format) AND A 200 WORDS MOTIVATION LETTER TO PROF. DR. C. VORGAS cvorgias@biol.uoa.gr BY LATEST 4.9.2020.
The selection and the confirmation will close on 6.9.2020.**

Core Location

American Farm School in Thessaloniki

The dynamics of the virtual school. Towards an online Education Frame

This year the Summer School will be organized entirely online. The current pandemic situation imposes that. However, we consider this a challenging opportunity for testing new communication and educational systems which could efficiently substitute traditional educational methods.

Expected outcomes and perspectives

- Familiarization of the students with current trends of Bioeconomy
- Enabling interest for a particular region
- Introduction to some new aspects and perspectives
- Involvement of the students in practice. Development of a case study on a given issue proposed by the Industry

Tentative Program

We propose a 4 days program with a duration of 3-4 hours per day. After a 2-week homework, on 25th of September, the students will present their work in small groups.

Note: The School will be organized entirely online and it is free of charge

Day 1: (8-9-2020) The Bioeconomy Transition		
	Time	Speakers
Opening session		
General Introduction by the organizers and presentation of the concept and the objectives and the aims of the online school	13:00-13:15 CET	C. Vorgias
Get to know each-other: 2 min introduction of each individual participant. Origin and its relation to CB	13:15-14:30 CET	Moderated by C. Vorgias
Break	14:30-15:00 CET	
Current trends of Bioeconomy and needs of the related Industry. In terms of expertise, policy and regulatory frame	15:00-15:45 CET	Input from the BBI (to be announced)
Bioeconomy: The importance of the Regional Aspects	15:45-16:30 CET	Markus Dettenhofer CEITEC
Questions & Answers. Round table discussion. Organization issues Encourage students' participation	16:30-17:00 CET	Moderated by G. Sakellaris
Day 2: (9-9-2020) The Bioeconomy in the Mediterranean Basin		
	Time	Speakers
Regional Opportunities and Challenges (Title to be specified)	13:00-13:45 CET	Thanassis Tsaftaris (American Farming School)
Title to be specified	13:45-14:30 CET	Giovanni Sania (Florence Univ.)
Title to be specified	14:30-15:15 CET	Danilo Poro (Univ. Milan)
Break	15:15-15:45 CET	
Practical presentation by tutors and 2 students on site at the AFS	15:45-16:45 CET	Kiki Zinoviadou, Chirs Vasilikiotis and Athanasios Gertzis
Questions & Answers. Round table discussion. Organization issues Encourage students' participation	16:45-17:00 CET	
Day 3: (10-9-2020) Futuristic Aspects of Circular Bioeconomy on Current Economy and Society		
	Time	Speakers
Applicability of Bioeconomy into the Health sector	13:00-13:45 CET	Farah Huzair (Univ. Edinbourg)

Questions & Answers. Round table discussion. Organization issues Encourage students' participation	13:45-14:00 CET	Moderated by Kiki Zinoviadou
Practical presentation by tutors and 2 students on site at the AFS	14:00-15:15 CET	Kiki Zinoviadou, Chirs Vasilikiotis and Athanasios Gertzis
Break	15:15-16:00 CET	
Closing Lecture (title to be announced)	16:00-16:45 CET	Christian Patermann
Organization of working groups to work on case studies. Topics will be real cases and proposed by the Industry. Students can cooperate on the topics in groups of 3-5, Outcomes will be presented in 2 weeks' time.	16:45-17:30 CET	Moderated by C. Vorgias
Day 4 (25.9.2020): Presentation of student's work and response to a number of questions set by the organizers		
	Time	Speakers
3-4 presentations	13:00-14:00 CET	Moderated by C. Vorgias
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Break	15:00-15:15 CET	
Questions, Answers and Discussion on the presentations	15:15-16:00 CET	Moderated by Christian Patermann
Closing remarks	16:00-16:30 CET	Moderated by C. Vorgias