

ADDED VALUE OF COOPERATION IN BIOECONOMY RESEARCH – TWO YEARS PROGRESS OF THE BIOEAST INITIATIVE

BREAK OUT SESSION PRESENTATION

AGRIFORVALOR

**Closing the research and innovation divide by connecting practitioners
from agriculture and forestry with research and academia**

Conference at OMÉK National Agriculture and Food Exhibition and Fair

Budapest, Hungary

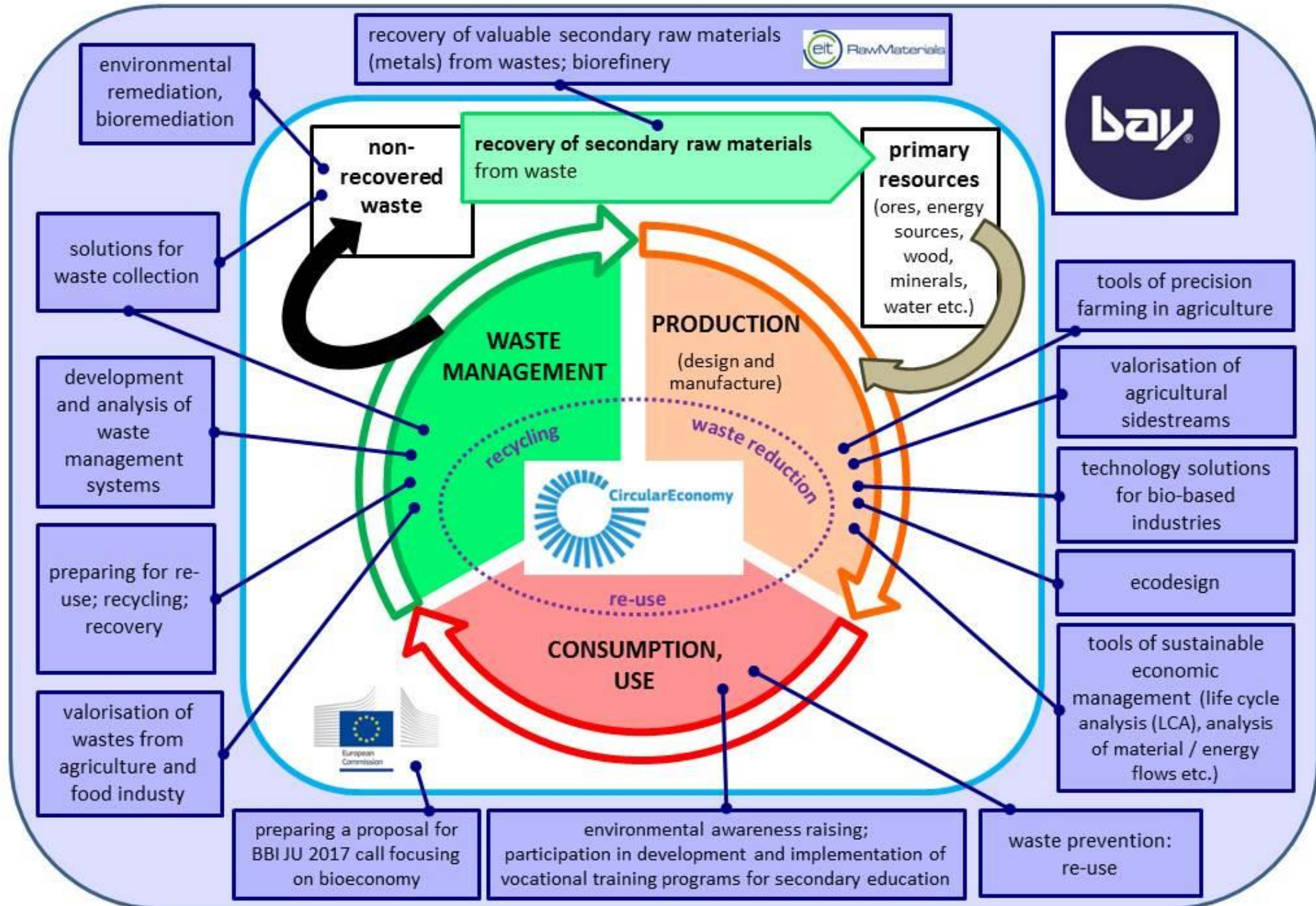
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Introduction to the Agriforvalor project



- Horizon 2020 project, for the creation of new links between research and practitioners (farmers, foresters)
- In secondary sidestream biomass valorisation
- To develop the bioeconomy
- Ireland, Spain, Hungary – biomass innovation design hubs have been created in 2016
- Main results in Y1:
 - Research of status quo in biomass valorisation
 - online database of technologies, awareness raising
 - creation of 3 national hubs and several Innovation Partnership groups
 - www.agriforvalor.eu

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Challenges

- To increase simultaneously productivity and sustainability in agriculture and rural areas
- Research results are often insufficiently exploited and taken up in practice
- Innovation-driven research to be promoted (not science-driven research)
- Stimulate interaction and knowledge exchange bw RI and practitioners
- Making available science and practice based information
- Capture creative ideas from the grassroots-level
- Bioeconomy as a concept and its principles to be explained; only the concept is new
- Geographical distance

Good examples – Innovation Partnership groups in Hungary

- Agricultural Innovation Partnership group on developing a new cultivation technology based on circular use of biomass (valorization of biogas digestates)
- Forestry Innovation Partnership group on valorisation of bark biomass
- Forestry Innovation Partnership group on developing new wood-chips based wooden products

- **DO YOU HAVE AN IDEA? LET US KNOW**

Further information on Agriforvalor

www.agriforvalor.eu – register on our website for further information

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- Lavina Foundation

Why is it worth cooperating with Agriforvalor?

- Share your research results and practical applications with the Bioeconomy community
- Become active partner of the bioeconomy community in Europe for building up a sustainable future
- Learn from research results and good practices in order to valorize your biomass sidestreams
- Share your ideas on biomass sidestream topics
- Profit from innovation partnerships across new value chains integrating complementary knowledge to valorize specific biomass sidestream topics
- Get access to contacts of other bioeconomy players in the hubs and the EU
- Set up your own business model on biomass sidestreams to save and/or make money with biomass sidestreams