

Small and Medium Enterprises in Bioenergy: Boosting Rural Employment and Sustainable Biomass Mobilisation



Final Conference

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Conference objective

The solid biomass to energy sector is dominated by small and medium enterprises. What is and can be their role in fostering innovation and growth in rural areas in view of the emerging bioeconomy? The main objectives of the event are to:

- *Showcase the potential of SMEs* for stimulating innovation and employment in sustainable bioenergy in rural regions;
- Discuss lessons learnt from various *support and mentoring approaches for SMEs*: innovation vouchers, cluster initiatives, networks, and outreach programmes;
- Highlight the benefits and challenges of *national and international programmes* for fostering market uptake and collaboration in bioenergy value chains.

The conference will bring together professionals and stakeholders in bioenergy, notably SME managers, experts, advisors, financiers and decision-makers.

The conference is hosted by the SecureChain consortium to offer a platform for various experts representing H2020 projects and regions in the bioenergy sector.

It is a registered event of the 18th European Sustainable Energy Week (EUSEW) <https://eusew.eu> and is held at a venue close the European Commission (Schuman).



Further information & Registration

Participation is free of charge and open to all. However, registration is required, through the conference webpage at www.securechain.eu/conference

In case of questions please contact one of the conference organisers:



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