

Finance Day: Financing future-proof low impact bioenergy chains

Time	Topic, Presentation, Speaker
12:30	Registration & Light Lunch
13:30 (0:15)	Opening & words of welcome Catalan representative/MEP/Commission representative (tbd) Manuel Adamini, Climate Bonds Initiative, London, UK
13:45	1st Panel: Market opportunities and company success stories
(1:00)	Moderator: Pol Arranz, Universitat Politècnica de Catalunya, Barcelona Tech
	 Market opportunities and challenges in sustainable bioenergy financing Ausilio Bauen, E4Tech, London
	 Financing schemes for biomass district heating and cooling (DHC) networks – case study in Olot, La Garrotxa (Catalonia). Oriol Gavaldà, Aiguasol, Barcelona
	 Bioenergy uptake through national energy funds in Småland Göran Gustavsson, Bioenergy Group Ltd, Växjö, Sweden
	 Streekpellets - Development of a pellet project in the Netherlands Henk Kwast, Bruins & Kwast Biomass Management, NL (requested)
	Questions & Answers
14:45	Coffee break
15:15 (1:00)	2 nd Panel: Financial sector perspective on bioenergy Moderator: Manuel Adamini, Climate Bonds Initiative, London, UK



Bank financing for power generation from biomass

Christian Carraretto, EBRD (requested)



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- Green bonds and green loans for bioenergy

 State of the market
 Matteo Bigoni, Climate Bonds Initiative (requested)
- Regional Energy Fund for Bioenergy and Other Renewables tbd Regional Energy Fund Overijssel, NL (requested)
- Investor perspective on bioenergy and biomass projects
 David Kemp, M&G Investments (requested)

16:15 Wrap up: Take-home messages and closing statement

(0:15) Diletta Giuliani, Climate Bonds Initiative, and Frederic Horta, Universitat Politècnica de Catalunya

16:30 Cocktail reception (Catalan Cava)

Project summary: Financing of sustainable bioenergy chains

<u>SecureChain.eu</u> promotes market uptake of bioenergy by supporting SMEs in six European model regions through a dedicated innovation mentoring approach, targeting the entire bioenergy chain. Key activities and outcomes include:

- *Innovation Vouchers*: In an open contest, SMEs submitted various own ideas for improvement. The best 20 SME pilot projects were selected and received specific technical and financial advice from the project.
- Learning Labs and various trainings raised capabilities of SME pilot project owners and ensured wider stakeholder engagement in the regions.
- *Life Cycle Assessments* (LCAs) evaluated the sustainability impacts of 13 pilots. *Certification* trainings and pre-checks led already to 5 successful certifications.
- Financial risk assessment and advisory services to SMEs have led to increased production and new investments into facilities and equipment.

