

## Updates biorefineries in Italy

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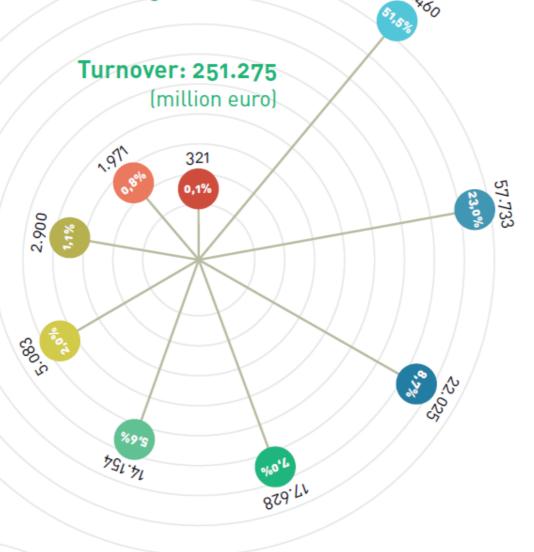
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# **Bioeconomy in Italy**





- Food industries, beverages and tobacco
- Agriculture, forestry and fisheries
- Manufacture of paper and paper products
- Manufacture of textiles and wearing apparel
- Manufacture of wood and of products of wood and cork, except furniture; manufacture of articles of straw and plaiting materials
- Manufacture of biobased pharmaceutical products
- Manufacture of biobased chemicals and chemical products
- Bioenergy
- Biodiesel



Source:

SOURCE: Public consultation on the adoption of a bioeconomy Strategy for Italy (presented on 20 April 2017)

# Overall Maps of industrial initiatives





### HIGHLIGHTS:

- 1. Five Flagship Biorefineries
- MOST INDUSTRAIL INITIATIVES ARE BASED IN THE PIEDMONT REGION (Novamont, Biochemtex, Reverdia)

#### Veneto

FLAGSHIP 1.4 BD0 from RRM

### Umbria

PILOT PLANT and DEMO PLANT

Oleaginous crops and

Biolubricants from local crops

INDUSTRIAL PLANT Bioplastics based on Starch and Polyesters from vegetable oils [Terni]

### Lazio

INDUSTRIAL PLANT Biodegradable
Polyesters (Patrica – FR)

### Campania

INDUSTRIAL PLANT Levulinoic Acid
[Caserta]

### Puglia

PILOT PLANT and OEMO PLANT Aromatic
Biochemicals from lignin (Modugno – BA)

FLAGSHIP Aviation Fuel (Modugno – BA)

### Sardegna

1 FLAGSHIP basis for Bioplubricants and Bioadditives for Rubber (Porto Torres – SS)

1FLAGSHIP Azelaic Acid and Plelargonic
Acid [Porto Torres – SS]

#### Location TBD

FLAGSHIP for the extraction of Natural Rubber and other valuable products (resins. etc.) SOURCE: Public consultation on the adoption of a bioeconomy Strategy for Italy (presented on 20 April 2017)



# SOME DETAILS ON INDUSTRIAL INITIATIVES

## NOVAMONT's PROJECTS on biodegradable and compostable bioplastics



**Biorefineries from vegetable oils** 

## NEW NOVAMONT PLANT: Mater-Biotech

- New fermentation plant in the site of a previous plant (Adria ) for the production of 1.4 butanediol from renewables
- Important partnership with Genomatica.
- Plant size: 30.000 ton/y

Plant start up in july 2016



## Biorefinery in Porto Torres



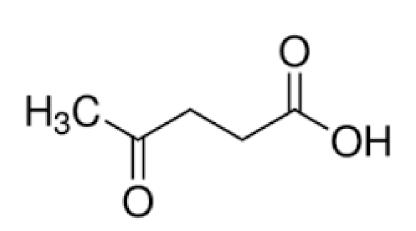
**Matrica** biorefinery Joint venture for a biorefinery in Porto Torres (Sardinia)

7 plants with a total investment of 500 M€

The biorefinery will produce monomers (40kton/y) and **lubrificants (30kt/y)** 

# GF-BIOCHEMICALS: PRODUCTION OF LEVULINIC ACID





Biobased chemical company GF-Biochemicals has started in 2016 the commercial production at its 10,000 MT/a capacity levulinic acid plant in **Caserta.** 

GFBiochemicals is the first company to produce levulinic acid at commercial scale directly from biomass.

## Piana di Monte Verna (Caserta)



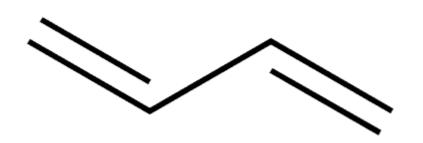


Recent Novamont's Reserch Centre derived from ex-Tecnogen.

The Centre is focused on the development of biotechnological processes for the production of biobased monomers for bioplastics.

## **ENI-VERSALIS:PRODUCTION OF BIO-RUBBERS**



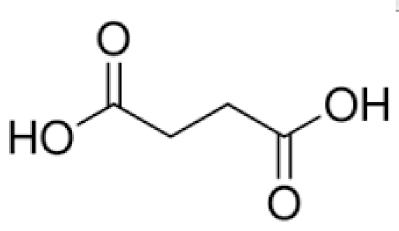


ENI-Versalis and Genomatica have advanced to pilot-scale the production of bio-butadiene (bio-BDE) from renewable feedstock to make bio-rubber, namely, bio-polybutadiene (bio-BR). "

The project started with the establishment of a technology joint venture between Versalis and Genomatica in early 2013.

## Production of bio-succinic acid







# Reverdia, the joint venture between DSM and Roquette Freres.

World's first bio-succinic acid plant (10 kton/y) through a yeast-based fermentation process in Cassano Spinola (Italy)

## **Beta Renewable**









In India, Novozymes
and Beta Renewables
are working to establish
a 75 million liter per
year cellulosic ethanol
plant using 3 million
metric tons of paddy
straw as feedstock.



- ✓ Beta renewables was funded in 2011
- ✓ In 2012 a partnership was created between Novozymes and Beta renewables .
- ✓ Long-standing collaboration has led to substantial <u>reduction in cost of enzymes</u> <u>per unit of cellulosic ethanol</u>
- ✓ Partnership of two industry leaders boosts confidence in the technology
- ✓ Guarantees on enzyme performance and cost incidence
- ✓ Parties are committed to ongoing improvements in enzymes and process
- Ensuring secure and most competitive enzyme supply to the customers



# PUBLIC TO PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP (PPP)

## PPP INITIATIVES ON THE GREEN CHEMISTRY



# SPRING – Sustainable Processes and Resources for Innovation and National Growth

Biorefineries for the production of added value products (i.e. biochemicals and bioplastics)

Reconversion of industrial sites facing severe crisis

Use renewable raw materials including residues or dedicated sustainable crops

Establishment of publicprivate partnership in order to accelerate the industrialization of innovative technologies

Industrial leaders: (Biochemtex (Tortona), Novamont (Novara) e Versalis (San Donato)) 4 initial R&D and demo projects, coordinated by the promoters companies

## ENEA INVOLVMENT IN SPRING





### **Project ALBE**

Leader Versalis:

 Sustainable technologies for the production of new elastomeric materials and lubricant oils



### **Project BIT3G**

**Leader Novamont** 

 "Third" generation biorefineries (OILS→Bioplastics, biolubricants, bioherbicides, etc) The projects will be concluded in 2017. New initiatives are expected soon



### **Project REBIOCHEM**

**Leader Mater-Biotech:** 

Chemicals from biomass (i.e. BDO, 5HMF)

# Regional Clusters on bioeconomy



- LOMBARDY Green Chemistry Association LGCA (Consorzio Italbiotec Innovhub, Stazioni Sperimentali per l'industria SSI, Politecnico di Milano, Università degli studi di Milano
- •BASILICATA (SOUTHERN ITALY) signed a MOU between several local research organizations and the Basilicata Region for the creation of an operative thematic group (GTO) on Bio economy. The group will follow the indications in the Smart Specialisation Strategy S3 for the Basilicata Region and will create the regional cluster on bio economy based on the establishment of local PPP.



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