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Lithuanian priorities for the development of bioeconomy (bioresources and biomass)



Action taken

National Bioeconomy development strategy:

- Lithuanian Bioeconomy Development Feasibility Study was prepared for the group of researchers in 2017
- Inter ministerial working group
- National body responsible for the coordination and supervision of bioeconomy policy development
- There are some bioeconomy policy elements in other national strategic documents

Action taken



The National CAP strategic plan is under development in the MoA

A new CAP 9 specific objectives are dealing with production sustainability and circularity:

(h) Promote employment, growth, social inclusion and local development in rural areas, including bioeconomy and sustainable forestry

To link CAP Strategic plan with bioeconomy, MoA took iniciative to make the Strategic Guidelines for the development of bioeconomy priorities, actions and measures for the primary agriculture, food systems and rural development

Lithuanian bioeconomy sector

- Turnover EUR 12 billion or 13,3% of total turnover
- **Gross value added** more than EUR 5.2 billion or 12.6% of GDP
- Employment 223.3 thou employees
- Significant fall in primary agricultural sector (from 24.8% to 17.6%)
- Relatively low labor productivity

LT - EUR 22 600/employee EU – EUR 35000/employee

• Relatively low value added.





Lithuanian bioeconomy sector

Big potential for the production of biomass, utilization of waste and production losses:

- Favourable natural conditions for biomass production
- Relatively extensive primary agricultural production (Eastern part of LT)
- Better utilization of waste and production losses
- Production of higher value products
- Job possibilities in rural (local) areas

Lithuanian bioeconomy - objectives

- To promote **economic growth** based on application of innovative approach to technologies and management and production of higher value added products
- To create sustainable jobs in rural areas
- To achieve environmental goals
- To reduce dependency on fossil inputs



Lithuanian bioeconomy - strategic guidelines

To develop **biobased product market**, to increase the production competitiveness of the bioproducts, to reduce the **dependency on fossil inputs**:

- Promotion of biomass production and use
- Promotion of sustainable production of biobased products and biofuel
- Promotion of the market development of bioproducts
- Support of new business development models and cooperation between stakeholders

To reduce GHG emission in the primary agriculture; to adapt to climate change

Sustainable and effective use of natural resources to increase biodiversity:

• Sustainable use of natural resources (soils) in agriculture

Lithuanian bioeconomy - strategic guidelines 2

Sustainable job creation to facilitate the local development:

- Potential of bioeconomy development in rural areas (regions)
- Support of local value chain development
- Support of production of bio products in rural areas
- Job creation

Promotion of circularity and production of higher value added bioproducts:

- Promotion of circular product market
- Support for the application of new business models and promotion of cooperation among the stakeholders

To develop sustainable and circular food and feed systems

• Promotion of setting up of sustainable food systems and consumption of high quality of food products







To increase **awareness** within the society about the circular bioeconomy

- To establish national body for the coordination of policy development and cooperation among stakeholders
- Establishment of bioeconomy information centers, cooperation platforms

To promote the **innovations**, **applied research** and stimulate the application of innovative products while producing, recycling or consuming bioproducts

- Establishment the centers of competence
- Education and training

Digitization of process



Thank you

