HYBRID WORKSHOP: EN-GENDER CIRCULAR BIOECONOMY INNOVATION IN EU

9-10 APRIL, 2025

S.LUCIA AUDITORIUM | VIA L. ARIOSTO, 35 FERRARA UNIVERSITY OF FERRARA | ECONOMICS AND MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT

This workshop invites scholars, researchers and young researchers to explore the crucial interconnections between bioenergy, eco-innovation, and gender dimensions within the framework of the European Green Deal and the green transition.

As Europe intensifies its efforts to achieve climate neutrality, bioenergy emerges as a key component in decarbonising energy systems, promoting rural development, and supporting a circular economy. This workshop aims to examine how eco-innovations in bioenergy—ranging from advanced biofuels to sustainable biomass production—can advance these objectives while addressing socio-economic, environmental, and gender equity challenges.

Papers are encouraged to explore the following topics:

how bioenergy innovations contribute to the Green Deal's goals for a just, inclusive, and sustainable transition; the importance of gender-sensitive approaches in bioenergy policymaking and innovation processes; and cross-sectoral synergies between bioenergy, eco-innovation, and other renewable energy sources. Special emphasis will be placed on case studies and empirical research that demonstrate the transformative potential of bioenergy technologies in reducing carbon emissions, fostering innovation ecosystems, and creating inclusive growth opportunities.

Through interdisciplinary discussions, the workshop seeks to identify policy recommendations and strategies to enhance the integration of bioenergy into Europe's green economy, ensuring that the energy transition benefits all.

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS



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APRIL 9

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09:00-09:30 | Registration 09:30-10:00 | Institutional Greetings

10:00-10:30 | Prof. Zappaterra Vice-Rector for Diversity, Equity and Inclusion in UNIFE

10:30-11:00 | COFFEE BREAK

11:00-12:00 | KEYNOTE SPEECH | Prof. Almudena Sevilla

12:00-13:00 | Session 1

- Giulia Giaimis "Circular fiscal equity: innovative policymaking to foster bioeconomy"
- Lilia Garcia Manrique "Girl bossing Calgary; how a women's club in the fifties is shaping energy and gender practices today"
- Ana Gabriela Encino-Munoz "Exploring the social dimension of Voluntary Certification Schemes for
- Sustainable and Circular Biobased Value Chains: A Focus on the Bioenergy"

13:00-14:00 | LUNCH BREAK

14:00-15:00 | Session 2

- Gülşah Yilan "Building an Inclusive Bioeconomy: Addressing Gender, Age, and Socio-Cultural Barriers for a Just Transition"
- Alessandro Muscio "The gender gap in academia: the effects of academics' well-being on entrepreneurship and innovation"
- Zhen Liu "Research on the Optimization of Policy-Based Agricultural Insurance in China: A Perspective Based on Heterogeneous Farmers"

15:00-15:30 | COFFEE BREAK

15:30-16:30 | Session 3

- Prajna Paramita Mishra "A Just Transition: Encouraging Women's Active Involvement in Achieving Carbon neutrality"
- Lukman Raimi "Impacting the 5Ps: Unveiling How Business Models of African and Asian Social Enterprises Advance SDGs through Social Entrepreneurship"
- Anita Vollmer "Distributional and climate impacts of farmers supplying biomethane feedstocks: An Irish case study"

16:30-17:00 | Networking Ice Breaking

19:30 | Social Dinner (for this event, more information will be shared to the participants)

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09:00-09:30 | Registration

09:30 - 10:30 | KEYNOTE SPEECH | Prof. Demirel Pelin

10:30-11:00 | COFFEE BREAK

11:00-12:45 | Session 4

- Grazia Errichiello "The Green Deal and its impact on EU lobbying dynamics: A social network analysis"
- Michael Adedotun Oke "An Analysis of Nigeria's Various Electricity Sector Issues and the Drive for Their Development"
- Sanchi Singh "Fostering an Inclusive Circular Bioeconomy: Policy Recommendations for Integrating Bioenergy in Europe"
- Carolina Castro Osorio "Soft Roots: Between Raíces Piangueras Movements and Mangrove Roots"



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From the airport of BOLOGNA, there is a shuttle to the BOLOGNA STAZIONE CENTRALE (train station) and then switch trains to Ferrara (30 min or maximum 50 min) OR a direct bus shuttle Bus&Fly.

The workshop will be held in Via Ludovico Ariosto, 35 in the S. Lucia Auditorium. You can find here the **Google Maps link to use.**

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