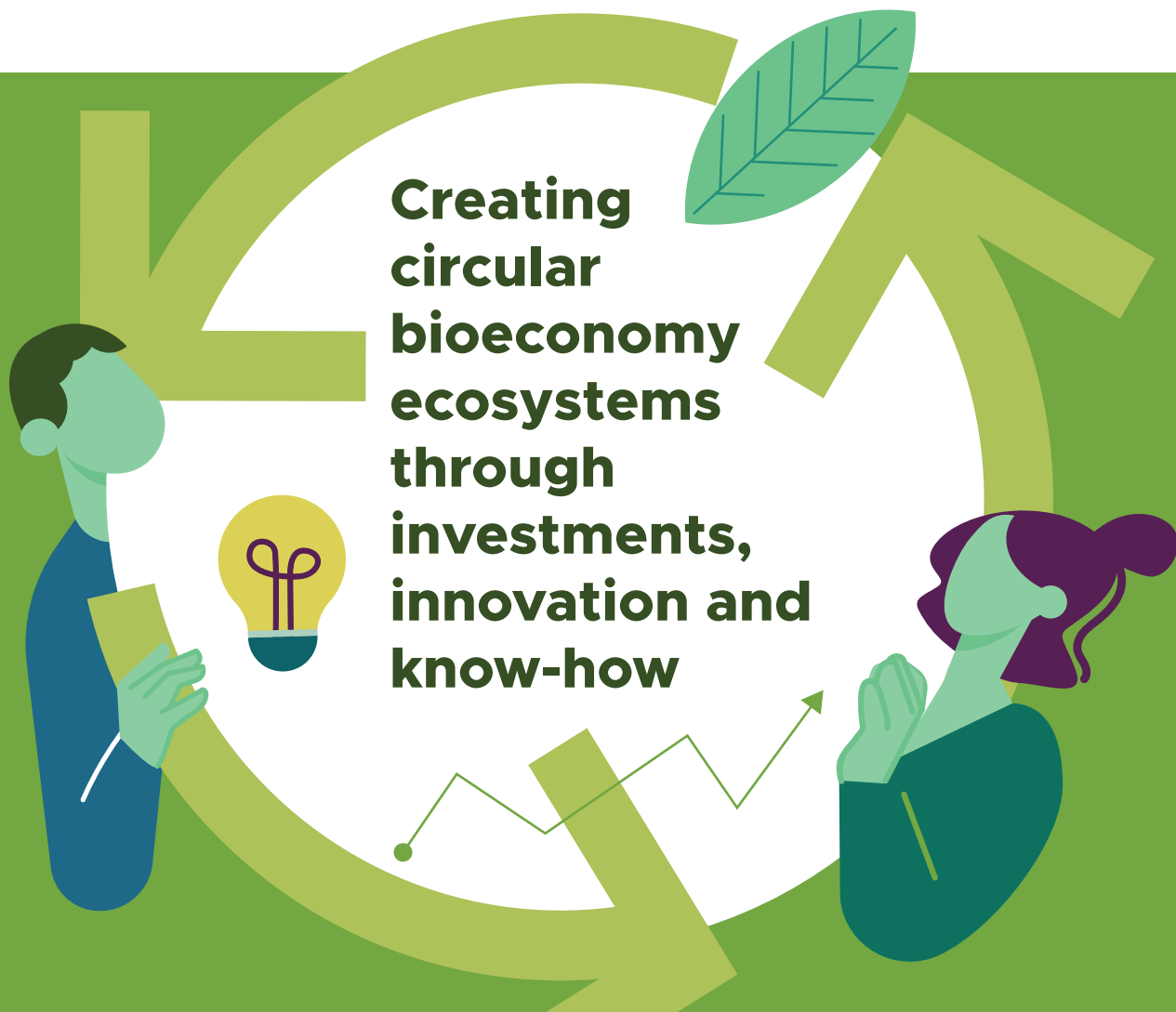




Bio-based Industries
Consortium

**Creating
circular
bioeconomy
ecosystems
through
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Who we are

The Bio-based Industries Consortium (BIC) is a non-profit organisation connecting industry, academia, regions and citizens to transform bio-based feedstocks into novel sustainable products and applications, and create circular bioeconomy ecosystems through investments, innovation and know-how.

240+ industry full members

large companies and SMEs

200+ associate members

research organisations, academia and trade associations



BIC also represents the private sector in a public-private partnership with the European Commission (EC) to scale up innovation and strengthen the bio-based industries sector in Europe. This partnership is called the [Circular Bio-based Europe Joint Undertaking \(CBE JU\)](#).

**Technology
providers**



Market actors



**Agriculture, food &
feed production**



**Our vision is to make
Europe's innovative,
sustainable and
competitive bio-based
industry the leader of
a circular bio society
in Europe by 2050.**



**Chemicals &
materials**

**Forestry and
pulp & paper**



**Waste management
& treatment**



Aquaculture & marine





What we do

Everything BIC does is geared towards making our members' bio-based businesses and innovations profitable and marketable. BIC's activities are divided into four pillars:

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CBE JU

- ⑦ Collaborating with the EC to develop and define the topics of the **Strategic Research and Innovation Agenda (SRIA)** and multi-annual programming documents which define the research, demonstration and deployment activities of the CBE JU
- ⑦ Working with the EC to define the topics for the research, demonstration, flagship and coordination and support actions in the CBE JU's **Annual Work Programme**

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Business

- ⑦ **Networking and matchmaking events** to connect BIC members' different industrial sectors and other bioeconomy stakeholders
- ⑦ **Commission studies** on topics useful for BIC members – including market foresight studies, business intelligence and new technologies
- ⑦ **Monthly webinars and a digital bioeconomy library** to boost BIC members' skills and knowledge
- ⑦ **A digital platform** allowing BIC members to connect with the regions
- ⑦ **Country reports** highlighting bio-based opportunities in EU Member States



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Finance

- ⑦ **A regional funding platform** informing BIC members about funds available for bio-based upscaling projects
- ⑦ **Pitching events for BIC members to secure investment** from other entities such as corporate ventures, European Funds, private banks and venture capitalists



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Society

- ⑦ **Initiatives for students to discover the potential of the bio-based economy**, such as the BISC-E student competition and industry-led PhD, [Talent4BBI](#)
- ⑦ **Taking part in public events** to raise awareness of the bio-based industries, such as the [EU Green Week](#)
- ⑦ **Publicising BIC members' bio-based projects** on the [Investment Portal](#) to show their positive impact on growth and jobs
- ⑦ **Being ambassadors** for the bio-based industries in all forms of media



The benefits of BIC membership



Bring innovation to market

BIC Industry Full Members give their input in the CBE Annual Work Programmes. Both BIC Industry Full and Associate Members contribute to the CBE Strategic Research & Innovation Agenda (SRIA)



A head start in winning CBE funding

Early access to information before the official publication of the calls for proposals



Access to finance

Yearly pitching event for SMEs and BIC assistance with accessing loans, grants and other EU funds



Networking and matchmaking

Members-only annual matchmaking event and other internal networking events



BIC platforms for making connections and finding funding

BIC Members Area connects all BIC members and BIC regional platform provides an exclusive database of available funding



Better access to European funding instruments

Privileged access to intelligence on loans, grants and other sources of funding from the EU, like the European Investment Bank (EIB)



Help to shape EU policy on the bioeconomy

Represent our members interest vis-à-vis the EU Institutions to achieve a favourable policy, regulatory and financing framework for the bio-based industries



Information and education

Exclusive monthly webinars, newsletters and commissioned reports



Promotion of your business

Through the BIC social media channels and Investment Portal



Discounts for bioeconomy events

BIC's partnership with organisers of major bioeconomy events, gives BIC members reduced entry prices

What type of membership do we offer?



Industry / Full

Open to all industries and companies (including market actors) in Europe which are active in the area of the bioeconomy.



Associate

Open to non-profit organisations (e.g. research organisations and universities) and consultancies in Europe that are active in the area of the bioeconomy.



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