

IAMO Forum 2021

Agrifood systems in the bioeconomy

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The transition to a bioeconomy is a potential game changer that may have a large impact on food and nutrition security, as well as on the ways in which agrifood systems are designed and operated. With breakthroughs in biotechnologies and a shift from fossil to renewable resources, the bioeconomy holds the potential to contribute to the sustainable development of agriculture and the countryside. At the same time, such game-changing technologies and trends raise questions about the creation and evaluation of new markets and value chains, direct and indirect ecological effects at different scales and the effects of social inclusions and exclusion. Given that the bioeconomy is a relatively new field, there is significant demand for economic and interdisciplinary research to understand the potential of agricultural food systems in the transition to a bioeconomy.

The IAMO Forum 2021 will address the following topic areas:

- Land and labor market effects of bio-based products
- Land use effects of biomass production
- Trade-offs between sustainable development goals in the bioeconomy
- To own, to share or to cooperate? – social innovations in agrifood systems
- Governance instruments and institutions of the bioeconomy
- Bioclusters and regionalized value chains
- The role of innovation policy in regional economic development
- Economic effects of new bioeconomy crops
- The place of the agricultural sector in the circular bioeconomy
- No limits? – ethical and public debates around sustainability and new (bio)technologies

Quantitative and qualitative research in the field of agricultural and food economics as well as related inter- and transdisciplinary contributions are welcome. We particularly encourage submissions about European and Asian transition countries.

The conference language is English.

Call for Extended Abstracts

We request the contribution of extended abstracts with up to 1,000 words (excluding bibliography) in strict compliance with the provided formatting guidelines. The abstracts should include a concise summary of the significance, major research questions, data and methods, and findings.

All contributed extended abstracts will go through peer review. Accepted abstracts will be considered for oral presentations only and published on the conference website.

Call for Organized Sessions

We welcome proposals for organized sessions that match the theme of the IAMO Forum 2021. Session proposals should include the title of the proposed session and an abstract of up to 1,000 words (excluding bibliography) that concisely and clearly describes the relevance of the session to the meeting theme and states a list of potential speakers.

Important dates for all submissions:

Submission deadline: **24 January 2021**

Notification of acceptance: **8 March 2021**

Submission of abstracts and session proposals is open at <https://www.conftool.org/iamo2021>.

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