

KICK-OFF MEETING OF BIORENEW INTEGRATED PROJECT

“White biotechnology for added value products from renewable plant polymers: Design of tailor-made biocatalysts and new industrial bioprocesses” (NMP2-CT-2006-026456)

Place: Centro de Investigaciones Biológicas (CIB, <http://www.cib.csic.es/en>) of CSIC.

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Invited participants and guests: President of CSIC, Director of CIB, Coordinators of related CSIC Areas, Managers of the Spanish Programmes of Biotechnology and Chemical Sciences and Technologies, Spanish representative at the NMP-priority (CDTI), President of the Spanish Biotechnology Society, representatives of “Sustainable Chemistry” and “Forest-based” Technological Platforms, and Press.

EC Officer: Frédéric Gouardères (EC-Industrial Technologies, Brussels).

CSIC Unit of EU projects: Miguel Holgado and Mercedes Costi.

Secretariat: Marta Pérez-Boada (CIB, mpboada@cib.csic.es; phone 34 650080476).

Hotel reservation: The BIORENEW Secretariat booked rooms for participants at the Hotel [NH Argüelles](#) (Vallehermoso 65, Madrid; Phone: 34 915939777; Metro stations: Argüelles, line 6, and San Bernardo, line 2). Single: 100 € + 7% VAT; double: 128 € + 7% VAT (breakfast included).

AGENDA:

30 October 2006 PUBLIC SESSION (PARTNERS + GUESTS)

- 11.30 h : Welcome to CSIC and CIB by *Prof. Carlos Martínez (President of CSIC) and Prof. Vicente Larraga (Director of CIB)*.
- 12 h: An overview on the Sixth Framework Programme - NMP from FP6 to FP7 by *Frédéric Gouardères (EC Directorate of "Industrial Technologies")*.
- 12:30 h: An overview on the BIORENEW project by *Angel T. Martínez (Coordinator)*.
- 13:00 h: An overview on two related EU Technological Platforms: i) Forest-based TP by *Carlos Reinoso (General Manager of Aspapel)*; and ii) Sustainable Chemistry (including Biotechnology) TP by *María Eugenia Anta (SusChem Spanish Node)*.
- 13:45 h *Spanish wine and informal lunch at the CIB hall, followed by a short visit to CIB labs and services organized by María Jesús Martínez (CIB, Vicedirector)*.

PROJECT SESSION (PARTNERS ONLY)

- 15:30 h: BIORENEW project from the EC point of view: Expectations, main contractual aspects, annual monitoring, etc by *Frédéric Gourdères (EC)*.
- 15:45 h: An overview on the EC contract by *Miguel Holgado (Head of CSIC Unit of EU projects)* and Consortium Agreement by *Mercedes Costi (CSIC EU-project unit)*.
- 16:15 h: First presentations from partners (P1a-P5 and P7-P15) including short description of previous knowledge, and contributions to different workpackages with special emphasis on the first 18-month period (max. 10 min/partner and 20 slides/partner). Short presentations will be then available at the web-page intranet.
- 18:45 h: Management Committee meeting (CIB meeting room).
- 21:15 h: *Project dinner at the "Café de Oriente" (salón San Gil, Plaza de Oriente 2; Phone 915479831; Metro station: Opera, line 2; <http://www.grupolezama.es>)*.

31 October 2006 PROJECT SESSION (PARTNERS ONLY)

- 9 h: Continuation of presentations from partners (P6 and P16-P26) including short description of previous knowledge and contributions to different workpackages.
- 11 h: *Coffee*.
- 11:15 h: Discussion of the RTD workplan (main activities, collaborations, milestones and deliverables) on a WP-by-WP basis (WP1, SWP21, SWP22, SWP23 and WP3) after a short introduction by the WP/SWP leader and vice-leader (see Fig. 15, page 43, of Annex I to the EC contract).
- 13 h: *Lunch at the CSIC Cantina (self-service) situated near the CIB*.
- 15 h: Discussion of RTD activities (2nd part) and Demonstration, Training, Innovation and Dissemination activities (main activities, collaborations, milestones and deliverables including web-page) on a WP-by-WP basis (WP41, WP42, WP5, WP6 and WP7) after a short introduction by the WP/SWP leader and vice-leader (see Fig. 15, page 43, of Annex I to the EC contract).
- 16:45 h: Information on payments, Election of CIPUD and 3 MC members, Schedule for First Report (15-Sep-07 deadline for partner reports) and Final comments.
- 17:15 h: Other business including place and date: i) Annual Workshop (Scandinavia?, Sept-07); ii) 2 sectoral meetings (18 months) on "Laccases: Basic research and applications" and "New cellulose and lignin products"; and iii) committees.
- 17.30 h: Closure of the meeting.