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local communities



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From Local Events to a Shared European Vision: The Final Countdown Begins!

NEWSLETTER #4

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Welcome to the fourth and last edition of the BIOLOC Project Newsletter!

As BIOLOC approaches its conclusion, we're celebrating the achievements of our regional partners and inviting you to join us for our final act — a conference in Turin that brings together all we've learned, shared, and created over the past three years.

BIOLOC Local Final Events: Community Impact Across Europe

Throughout spring and summer 2025, BIOLOC partners hosted local final events to present results, share success stories, and reinforce inclusive bioeconomy pathways. Here's a glimpse of the incredible momentum:

The Netherlands — Apeldoorn's Kitchen Gardens Go Circular

Raised beds, worm hotels, and community empowerment! In May, Apeldoorn hosted a hands-on event connecting students, volunteers, and city staff to explore circular urban gardening and sustainability in practice. [Read more >>](#)

Slovakia — Engaging Marginalized Groups

BIC Bratislava's event focused on inclusive practices and replicable business models like the Good Shepherd, with strong interest in BIOLOC's Catalogue of Good Practices. [Read more >>](#)

Germany — Bioeconomy & Society

The University of Hohenheim explored the social dimensions of the bioeconomy, emphasizing the need for participatory, culturally sensitive approaches in future innovation strategies. [Read more >>](#)

Campania, Italy — Policy Meets Practice

SPRING hosted the BioINSouth Forum, a high-level event linking BIOLOC outcomes with ongoing policy efforts in the Campania region, aiming at a formal regional strategy on bioeconomy by the end of 2025. [Read more >>](#)

Bulgaria — A Strategic Roadmap for Inclusion

The Plovdiv Bioeconomy Hub gathered partners to adopt a regional roadmap and discuss social inclusion in bio-based value chains like rose oil byproducts, laying groundwork for future projects. [Read more >>](#)

Croatia — BIOLOC at the Heart of Regional Transition

DOOR hosted its final workshop within the CESEEU-DIGIT International Conference, gathering 28 stakeholders from policy, academia, and business. Sessions focused on circular solutions, youth engagement, and the gap between policy and real-world implementation. [Read more](#)

Participants expressed a strong desire to preserve BIOLOC's momentum and pursue joint future initiatives. [Read more >>](#)

Romania — Bioeconomy in Action and the Launch of a Biogas Plant

In Timișoara, the University of Life Sciences led a landmark event showcasing local circular technologies and inclusive strategies. A highlight? The **official opening of a 100kW biogas plant** on campus — Romania's first university-integrated waste-to-energy system.

The event culminated in a **Memorandum of Understanding** among ULST, the City of Timișoara, and the Institute of Applied Biotechnology to maintain and grow the BIOLOC Hub beyond the project. [Read more >>](#)

More final events are coming this September — check www.bioloc.eu for updates!



SAVE THE DATE!

BIOLOC Final Conference | 24 September | Turin, Italy

We are delighted to invite you to the BIOLOC Final Conference:

“Designing Inclusive Bioeconomy Pathways for Local Renaissance”

When: 24 September, 15:00–18:30

Where: Politecnico di Torino

The event will feature speakers from the **European Commission (REA, DG RTD)** and BIOLOC partners, addressing:

- Best practices in the bioeconomy
- Societal readiness and social innovation
- Policy connections for future impact

The conference is organised **back-to-back with IFIB 2025 – the International Forum on Industrial Biotechnology and Bioeconomy**, offering a unique opportunity to strengthen connections across networks.

NEW RELEASES

BIOLOC Brochure & Final Video

We are proud to present the final resources of the BIOLOC project – now available online!



Final Brochure

showcasing our key results, lessons learned, and replicable models



Final Video

telling the story of BIOLOC's journey and its impact across regions

Both are accessible on our website and social media channels – ready to inspire educators, policymakers, and practitioners working toward inclusive and sustainable bioeconomy pathways.



Let's Keep the Conversation Going

Visit our website and follow us on social media

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Thank you for walking with us on this path.
Let's meet in Turin and take the next step — together.



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