

## BioBase4SME is a strong network of leading bio-economy experts

The project offers innovation support services to North-West European SMEs and start-ups active in the bio-economy.

The project supports SMEs on their way to getting industrial proof of concept and a realistic business plan in place. Both are essential to convince any type of investor or client.

### BioBase4SME Project Objectives

| Already reached<br>by Nov 2017    | Target for 2019 |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------|
| <b>Workshops &amp; Trainings</b>  |                 |
| <b>16</b>                         | <b>26</b>       |
| <b>Biocamps</b>                   |                 |
| <b>1</b>                          | <b>2</b>        |
| <b>Innovation Coupons Granted</b> |                 |
| <b>29</b>                         | <b>54</b>       |
| <b>Allocated Grants</b>           |                 |
| <b>0,6M €</b>                     | <b>1,8M €</b>   |

## Project area and project partners



# Interreg North-West Europe BioBase4SME

European Regional Development Fund

training  
innovation biocamps  
scale-up to pilot scale de-risking  
Life Cycle Assessment  
proof-of-concept  
**BIO-INNOVATION**  
support for SMEs  
techno-economic evaluation  
market research  
feedstock analysis  
networking business planning  
social acceptance  
business plan support

**INNOVATION  
COUPONS**  
available  
up to  
**€ 100.000**

## Bio-Innovation Support for Entrepreneurs throughout North-West Europe

March 2016 – February 2019

BioBase4SME is co-funded 60% by the Interreg North-West Europe Programme. Interreg NWE fosters transnational cooperation to make Northwest Europe a key economic player and an attractive place to work and live, with high levels of innovation, sustainability and cohesion.

BioBase4SME is co-financed by



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## BioBase4SME offers FULLY FUNDED Workshops/Trainings and Innovation Biocamps



### One-day workshops and training on specific topics:

**Social Acceptance** • Communicating Sustainability • **Life Cycle Assessment** • The Collaboration Plan(t) • **Intellectual Property Strategy** • Natural Fibertastic • **Technology Transfer in Bioeconomy** • New Solutions for Biobased Painting • and many, many more...

Testimonial

**Dr. Frank Kensy, Smart Bioprocess, Germany:**

*"I believe LCA is a great tool which should be applied throughout the whole bioprocess development phases. The BioBase4SME seminar on LCA gave me a good overview on industrial practice and theoretical background."*

### One-week Innovation Biocamps:

#### Facts Biocamp 2017:

- 17 enthusiastic biobased start-ups and SMEs
- 20 innovation experts
- an amazing venue
- one entire week to learn, get inspired, network
- immerse the participants in skills and tools for successful innovation
- and so much more...

**Apply for our Biocamp: 3-8 June 2018, York, UK**

Testimonial

**François Geeraerts, BioPLA, Belgium:**

*"The Biocamp was extremely useful and instructive. We are now able to further develop our business in a more structured and deliberate way. Many useful contacts came out of the Biocamp such as a continued personal mentorship by one of the experts and support from a VC."*

## BioBase4SME runs an Innovation Coupon Scheme

**Coupon value**  
up to **€100.000**

**50-100% funded**  
depending on the service

**Fast and SME  
friendly application  
procedure**

**Monthly evaluation  
of applications until  
November 2018**

Apply for coupons for the following services, or a combination thereof:

### Non-technical services:

- Life cycle assessment (materia nova, Belgium)
- Market research, value chain assessment, business plan coaching (NNFCC, United Kingdom)
- Mentoring on social acceptance (AC3A, France)

Testimonial

**Dr Ed Marshall, CTO Plaxica, United Kingdom:**

*"Plaxica is delighted with the quality of work produced on a BioBase4SME-funded market research study. The report is comprehensive, relevant and very useful in helping Plaxica identify the products and companies to target in short and medium terms."*

### Technical services:

- Process development and scale-up in a pilot plant (Bio Base Europe Pilot Plant, Belgium)
- Pre-pilot equipment for pyrolysis and anaerobic digestion (tcbb RESOURCE, Ireland)
- Application testing for fibers (paper/composites), bioplastics, lignine, colorants and biobased solutions (e.g. herbicides, degradable bioplastics) (facilitated by REWIN, the Netherlands)

Testimonial

**Dr Florence Gschwend, Chrysalix Technologies, United Kingdom:**

*"The BioBase4SME voucher has enabled us (an early-stage start-up) to get more value out of the external funding we have received while connecting us to a highly skilled organisation for our scale-up work."*

## Get in touch with your regional Bio-Innovation Agent

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**Services** Organise Biocamp 2017 and 2018

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**Services** Process development and scale-up  
incl. techno-economic evaluation, networking