

EMG Nexus Dialogue Series on Sustainable Bioeconomy

Dialogue 1: Strengthening Global Coordination, Building Partnerships, and Financing for a Sustainable Bioeconomy

Agenda (Updated 8 May)

Time (Duration)	Outline	Speaker
Welcome, Introductions, Setting the Scene		
15:00 (5 min)	Welcoming Remarks	Mr. Hossein Fadaei , Head of the EMG Secretariat
15:05 (5 min)	Opening Remarks	Ms. Jyotsna (Jo) Puri Director, Policy and Programme Division, UNEP
15:10 (5 min)	Introductions <i>A UN approach to sustainable bioeconomy</i>	(Moderator) Mr. Lev Neretin , Team Lead for the Environment, FAO
Presentations		
15:15 (5 min)	Presentations Introduction to session	(Moderator) Mr. Lev Neretin , Team Lead for the Environment, FAO
15:20 (10 min)	Scene Setting and FAO Activities Sustainable bioeconomy in the UN system FAO's work on bioeconomy	Ms. Alashiya Gordes , Natural Resources Officer (Environmental Sustainability), FAO
15:30 (10 min)	Bioeconomy data gaps ECLAC's work on bioeconomy	Mr. Adrian Gerardo Rodriguez Vargas , Chief of the Agricultural Development and Biodiversity Unit, ECLAC
15:40 (10 min)	Innovations in the context of bioeconomy UNIDO's work on bioeconomy	Mr. Yvonne Lokko , Team Lead - Unit on Agro-Innovation and Bioeconomy, UNIDO
15:50 (10 min)	Bioeconomy from a human rights angle	Ms. Ana Paula Souza , Human Rights Officer in the Environment and Climate Change Unit, OHCHR
Discussion		
16:00 25 min	Discussion UN entities are invited to share information about their work in the context of bioeconomy, as well as their thoughts on a more unified approach to a sustainable bioeconomy within the UN system.	Moderator and Participants

	<p>Question 1: How can we develop a coherent, system-wide UN approach to sustainable bioeconomy that maps and connects existing initiatives, addresses gaps, and leverages complementary strengths across agencies while ensuring alignment with the G20 High Level Principles and other global sustainability frameworks? What existing mechanisms would best support this coordination?</p> <p>Question 2: What innovative financing mechanisms and policy instruments can UN agencies collectively promote to overcome current barriers to bioeconomy investment, particularly in low and middle-income countries?</p> <p>Question 3: How can we ensure that bioeconomy development benefits communities that are most dependent on biological resources, particularly indigenous peoples, traditional communities, and other marginalized groups? What UN mechanisms can promote equitable access to resources, knowledge sharing, and fair distribution of benefits across regions and sectors?</p>	
Closing Remarks		
5 min	Closing Remarks	Mr. Lev Neretin , Team Lead for the Environment, FAO