



THIRD KNOWLEDGE EXCHANGE AND CAPACITY BUILDING THEMATIC SEMINAR OIP Covasna

Overview	
Date	29 March 2021 (13:00 -14:30)
Location	Online
Aim of the event	The event entitled: Bioeconomy - Green Deal - Sustainable development objectives, is part of the series organized so far within the BE-Rural project, to raise awareness and strengthen the capacity of local economic actors to improve the local bioeconomy, in the spirit of a quintuple helix approach.

The event, entitled: Bioeconomy - Green Deal - Sustainable Development Goals, was organized in support of local actors concerned with the development of sustainable strategies in the field of bioeconomy, like the most advanced economies in the EU.

The intention of the organizers was to provide a framework for debate on a topical issue, that of the European Green Pact and the implications of this instrument on broad areas of activity, which can influence and sustain the bioeconomy. In this context, were invited as keynote speakers, specialists from the most representative public institutions responsible for policies corresponding to the topic addressed, respectively from: Ministry of Environment, Waters and Forests, as well as from the Department for Sustainable Development, within General Secretariat of the Government of Romania. In addition to the general aspects, at macro level, aspects of the local economy were discussed, through the representative of the Covasna Business Incubator, which works closely with the Association of SMEs in Covasna - ASIMCOV, but also with civil society (LAGs, foundations). In addition to the representatives of the business environment and those from education and research, but also from the national administration, such as the Ministry of Economy, the National Agency for Mountain Areas (ANZM), regional, such as the Regional Development Agency (ADR) Centru and North-East, the National Federation of LAGs with representatives from the Centru and North-East Region or the Covasna County Agricultural Directorate. It should be noted that, through local clusters, which include members from other areas than Covasna, the event was heard by economic actors from outside Covasna County and the Centru Region, respectively, which gave greater visibility to both this seminar, as well as the BE-Rural project.

The event took place in an inter-active manner, the presentations made by specialists being followed by specific questions from the audience, comments, and communication of the present policy makers, of some difficulties encountered by local entrepreneurs.

One of the most burning problems identified in the Covasna area, but also in many other rural areas in the country, refers to the impossibility of collecting and storing branches or other wood residues / plant debris for use as an energy source, due to a legislative vacuum. The problem was registered by the representative of the Ministry of Environment, in order to inform the management of the ministry and find a constructive solution.

The conclusion of the seminar is that vegetable waste must become a source of energy, not be thrown in the landfill.

With these goals listed in mind, the community will continue its concerns, materialized in various national and European projects in progress, and the organizers will take the ideas for further study in future events, such as meetings with the Stakeholder Working Group (SWG) or the organization of pop-ups. store, within the BE-Rural project.

Moreover, the seminar was a source of information for the Romanian representatives of the BIOE-ASTsUP project, who participated in the event, respectively researchers of the Institute of Agrarian Economics, as members of the BIOEAST Initiative. The seminar thus contributed to supporting the synergies between related ongoing projects.

Regarding the local community in Covasna, it proves to be very receptive to such approaches, as evidenced by its involvement in creating sustainable development nuclei supported by the National Department of Sustainable Development. For example, the Green Energy Cluster was recently awarded at the National Gala organized by this institution.

Participants		
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