





Enhancing the Value of Agricultural and Forestry Residues

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Bio and Circular Cluster Strategy

Supporting the growth of companies in the industry by bringing together state-of-the-art knowledge in technologies, products and services to develop circular economy

















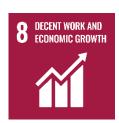


- We support the utilization and valorization of industrial side streams with various biorefining technologies
- Bio and Circular Cluster has been registered at the European Commission's Cluster Platform ECCP, 2022)
- We promote a sustainable bioeconomy and circular economy
- Our aim is to support the development of the waste management globally
- We support the growth and internationalization of companies in North Savo, Finland.















Biosphere North Savo

1.4.2020 - 31.3.2023























Project objectives



The aim of this project was to continue concrete development actions together with companies, educational and research organizations and other partners. These spearheads are

- a) thermal and/or biologic treatment of biomass to liquids, gases and solid products and their further refining,
- b) circular fertilizer/soil improvement products by utilizing local industrial side streams and above mentioned processing techniques and expertise, and
- c) clarifying the critical issues required for wide utilization by using literature, testing and experiments (functionality, cost efficiency, safety and environmental issues).















Fermentation R&D





Bio and Circular Economy laboratory has two fully automated fermentors for microbiological studies.

Growing conditions in the fermentors can be adjusted as needed including:

- Gaseous environment (aerobic/anaerobic)
- Feed of nutrients
- Mixing rate
- Temperature
- Batch/continuous mode

Metabolia end products (both liquid and gaseous) can be collected and analysed separately.















Fermentation - Hydrogen potential





Dark fermentation is a favourable technique for the production of renewable bio hydrogen.

- Bacteria: Clostridia-, Esherichia-, Citrobacter- and Bacillus- genus.
- Substrates: carbohydrates, proteins, and lipids.
- End products in the liquid phase: acetate, butyrate, butanol, ethanol, acetone or 2-propanol.
- Various materials that are anaerobically biodegradable are suitable as substrates for hydrogen production.

















Soil improvers from industrial side streams























Soil improvers from industrial side streams



Green house, 18 m²:

- Development of new recycled fertilizer products based on local raw material flows.
- Greenhouse capacity 100 pots.
- Randomizing the order of pots.
- Test matrices in 3-4 parallel pots with several soil types.
- Knowledge of the test calculation for set-up to correspond to agriculture.

















Soil improvers from industrial side streams



Industrial ashes:

- lisveden metsä
- Kuopion Energia HP2
- Fortum Waste Solutions

Biochar:

- Spruce biochar
- Pine-spruce biochar
- Deciduous tree

Composted materials:

- Fish waste
- Offal

- By-products: brewery mash
- Bioprocessing digestate
- As a comparison:
 - Raw manure + salt shaker
 - 0 pots

The test matrices were examined in 3 parallel pots with two soil types.

















Small scale tests with circular fertilizers



Composted material 2A, 1B, Deciduous tree biochar A, Spruce biochar B, Pine + spruce biochar A. First harvest 7.7.2021, second harvest 27.7.2021 & third harvest 16.8.2021.





























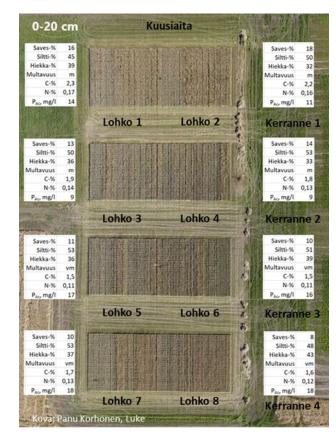




Field tests in Kuopio







Green house- Soil improvers from side products







As a result:

- Crude protein
- Calcium, Ca (g / kg ka)
- Potassium, K (g / kg ka)
- Phosphorus, P (g / kg ka)
- Magnesium, Mg (g / kg ka)
- Sodium, Na (g / kg ka)
- Copper, Cu (mg / kg ka)
- Manganese, Mn (mg / kg ka)
- Zinc, Zn (mg / kg ka)
- Iron, Fe (mg / kg ka)
- Selenium, Se (mg / kg ka)















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Collaborators of the Biosphere project













































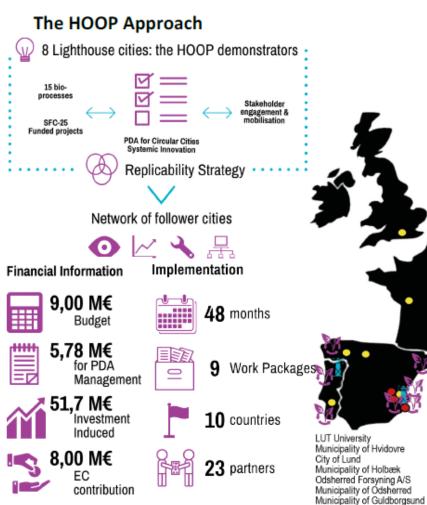


HOOP (Horizon 2020), 1.10.2020 – 30.9.2024

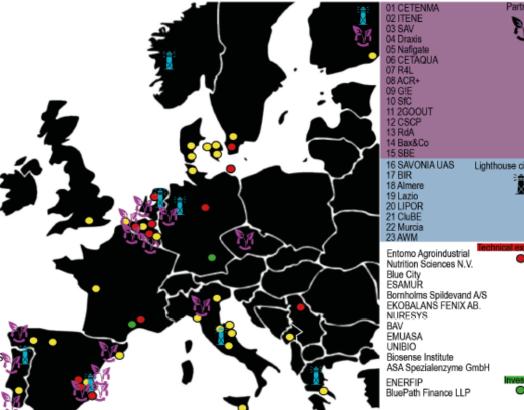
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FOSTER INVESTMENTS
FOR THE VALORISATION
OF URBAN BIOWASTE
AND WASTEWATER



The **HOOP** portfolio of 15 Bio-based Processes



Municipality of Ourense

Municipality of Cartagena

Municipality of Quart de Poblet

Eurometropolis of Strasbourg

Waste Agency of Catalonia

Municipality of Colleferro

Municipality of Fiuggi

Municipality of León

City of Roeselare

Odense Waste management

EMAC – Empresa Municipal de Ambiente de Cascais

City of Copenhagen

Fors A/S

Municipality of Macerata

Municipality of Recanati

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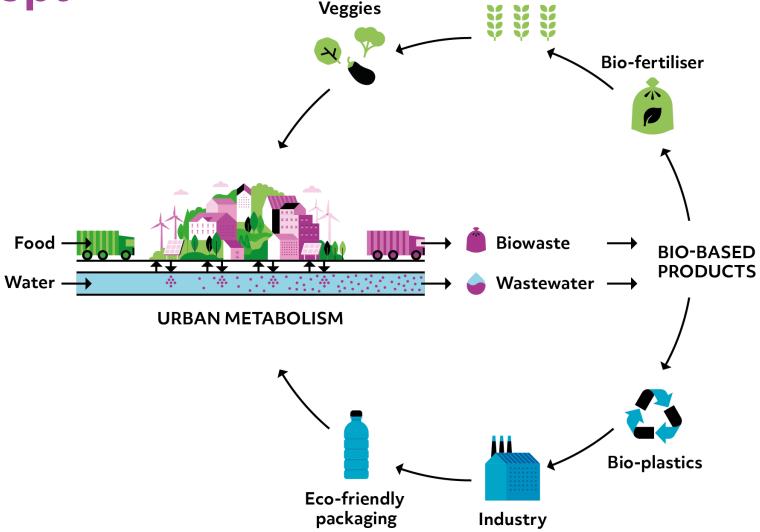
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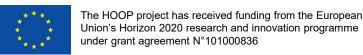
The HOOP Concept

The **HOOP** project supports 8 lighthouse cities and regions in developing large-scale urban circular bioeconomy **initiatives** that will focus on making bio-based products from urban biowaste and wastewater.



Agriculture





HOOP 8 Lighthouse Cities & Regions



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HOOP main inpacts

- 1. Deliver circular bio-based economy investments to support the valorisation of urban biowaste and wastewater via bio-based products.
- 2. Create a European network of cities to facilitate the exchange of good practices and lessons learned to advance the circular economy.
- 3. Increase recycling of urban biowaste and wastewater to avoid landfilling and reduce the associated greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions.
- **4. Create long-terms jobs** in local economies for recovering valuable resources and for making bio-based products.





