




Overview of state of play on bioeconomy in Lithuania

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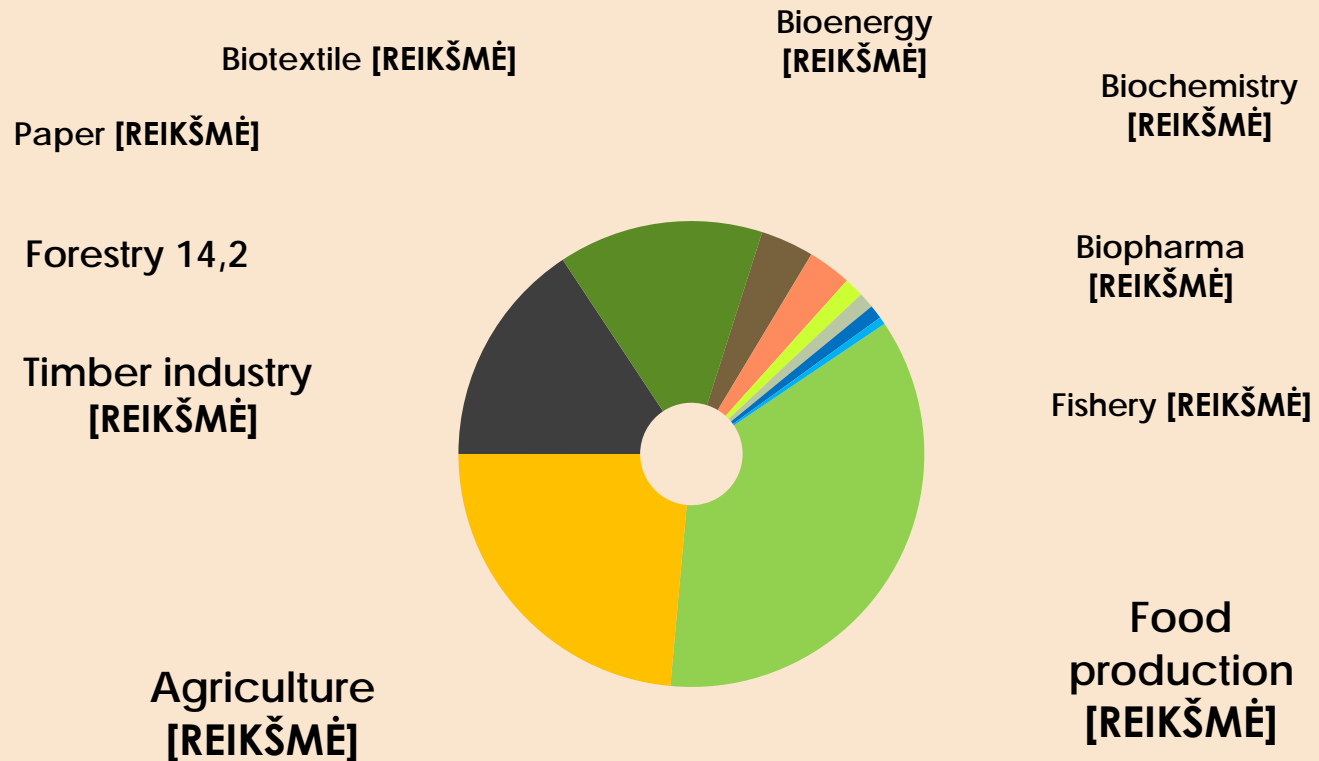
What is currently available for a bioeconomy strategy ?


- ▶ Lithuanian Bioeconomy Development Feasibility Study (2017);
- ▶ Close cooperation with Vytautas Magnus University Bioeconomy Faculty, Kaunas University of Technology;
- ▶ Baltic workshop on SCAR and Bioeconomy Strategies; Conference Regions as Catalysts of Bioeconomy Development.




What are our target sectors for bioeconomy?

Turnover, pct






What are the responsible public bodies and relevant stakeholders?

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- ▶ Public bodies: Ministry of Agriculture; Ministry of Environment; Ministry of Economics and Innovation; Ministry of Energy (under Law on Energy from Renewable Sources); Ministry of Health (biopharma sector).
 - ▶ Stakeholders: Vytautas Magnus University; Lithuanian Research Centre for Agriculture and Forestry; Lithuanian Biomass Energy Association LITBIOMA; Lithuanian Biotechnology Association; Lithuanian Forest Cluster; Association of Municipalities, etc.

What are the short-term and long-term external policy support needs ?

	Process related support	Technical assistance support	Strategy drafting support
Building Block 1: Describe the bioeconomy concept at national level	Raising public awareness of bioeconomy by local and foreign success stories	Workshops to build capacity within bioeconomy-related ministries	Facilitator: guiding the different sectors/politics to the strategy (EU + national)
Building Block 2: Assess current state of bioeconomy and ambition within the EU Strategy	Expert evaluation (based on EU BE Strategy) of available national bioeconomy data to help set both short-term and long-term priorities	Info day on benefits of bioeconomy and most relevant links to updated EU strategy on bioeconomy for different target groups	
Building Block 3: Define bioeconomy measures, platforms and initiatives to achieve targets	Best practices of horizontal cooperation (e.g. interministerial groups) from other countries	Workshops on most effective systemic way of communication among ministries and with stakeholder groups	Advice on alignment of bioeconomy incentives in strategic documents
Building Block 4: Leverage on the national and EU policies for sustainable bioeconomy	Workshops on most efficient bioeconomy related policies, at regional, national and macroregional levels.	Monitoring methodology	SCAR WGs mirror at the level of MS



Actions to advance the development of the bioeconomy strategy

- ▶ External facilitation to gather bioeconomy related ministries (both policy makers and decision makers) to raise awareness of the bioeconomy, and the role of horizontal cooperation in the process.
- ▶ Workshops and training on systemic approach to benefits of the bioeconomy for different target groups.
- ▶ Nationwide promotion of success stories and good practices (focusing on LT ones mostly, and then cases in other countries that could be applied here as well).
- ▶ SWOT analysis sector by sector to set short-term and long-term priorities.
- ▶ Methodology of calculating the benefits of the bioeconomy (e.g. pricing the biomass) and setting monitoring indicators.
- ▶ Aligning different policies sharing some of their goals (e.g. related to climate change).