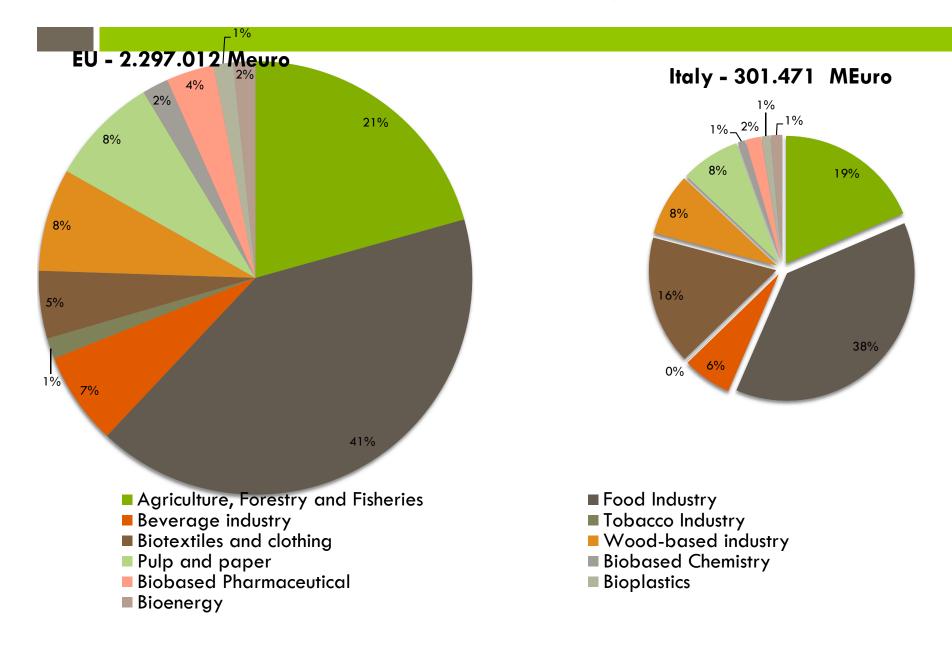


# THE ITALIAN BIOECONOMY STRATEGY (BIT): OBJECTIVES, PRIORITIES AND ROADMAP

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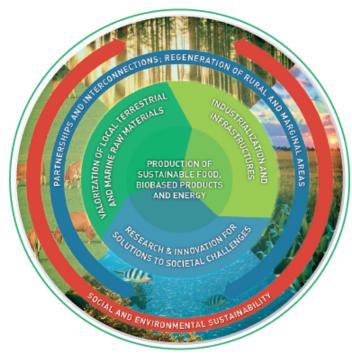
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## Some numbers (2016)



### The Italian Bioeconomy strategy





A unique opportunity to reconnect

ECONOMY, SOCIETY

and the ENVIRONMENT

Promoted by Italian Presidency of Council of Ministers and endorsed by:

- Ministry Economical Development;
- Ministry Agriculture, Food, Forestry;
- Ministry Education, University, Research;
- Ministry Environment, Land, Sea;
- Ministry for territorial cohesion;
- Committee Productive Activities, Regions Conference;
- Agency for Territorial Cohesion;
- IT Technology Clusters Green Chemistry, AgriFood *and BlueGrowth*.

### Sinergies

- ☐ AT EU LEVEL
- AT NATIONAL LEVEL
  - Smart Specialization Strategy
  - □ Green Public Procurement NP (2013)
  - NP on Wastes (2016)
  - Energy Strategy
  - Marin strategy
  - Research and Innovation NP
  - Strategic plan on R&I for the agricultural sector
  - □ Industry 4.0
  - Forest NP

## Identification of main challenges and opportunities

- Agriculture: fragility of agricultural systems, training,
   water scarcity
- Forests: abandonment and impoverishment of biodiversity
- Agri-food industry: small size, poor waste recovery,
   high energy and water consumption
- Biobased industry: scarce availability of raw materials, regulatory uncertainty, lack of standardization
- Sea: unsustainable fishing, pollution, urbanization of the coasts

## The Italian Bioeconomy strategy: the vision

This BIT aims to provide a shared vision of the economic, social and environmental opportunities and challenges based on longer, more sustainable and locally routed value chains.

- 1. TO MOVE "from sectors to systems"
- 2. TO CREATE "value from local biodiversity and circularity"
- 3. TO MOVE FROM "economy to sustainable economy".
- 4. TO MOVE "from concept to reality"
- 5. TO PROMOTE "bioeconomy in the Mediterranean area"

Objective: Sustainable increase Italian Bioeconomy turnover and jobs by 20% by 2030.

## The Italian Bioeconomy strategy: main objective and priorities

- a) Improve sustainably the productivity and quality of products of each of the sectors and more efficiently interconnect them, by creating longer and more locally routed value chains, where the actions of public and private stakeholders integrate across all major sectors;
- b) Exploit national terrestrial/marine biodiversity, ecosystem services and circularity, and regenerate abandoned/marginal lands and former industrial sites;
- c) Contribute to the **growth of bioeconomy in the Mediterranean area** via PRIMA and BLUEMED initiatives, for a greener and more productive region, a wider social cohesion and political stability in the area;
- d) Create: i) a wider and more **coherent political commitment**, ii) more investments in **R&I**, spin off/start up, education, training, communication, iii) a better **coordination** between regional, national and EU stakeholders/policies, iv) a better engagement of a **public dialogue**, and v) tailored market development actions.

### R & I priorities

#### Priority: Sustainable agriculture and forestry

- Improve resource management and efficiency
- Improve multiple functions and benefits of land, rural and abandoned areas
- Improve human and social capital and social innovation through
- Contribute to improving the primary production in the Mediterranean area

#### Priority: A sustainable and competitive agri-food sector for a safe and healthy diet

- Improve healthy diets and people's health
- Improve food safety, security, defense, and integrity Boost sustainable, competitive, and innovative food manufacture
- Boost food policies, supply chains, markets, and communities
- Contribute to improving food production and safety in the Mediterranean basin

#### Priority: Bio-based industries

- Boost production of biobased products and biofuels in the framework of a circular economy
- Foster 'Demonstration plants/test beds for cascading use of biomasses"
- Contribute to boosting a Mediterranean biobased Industry

#### Priority. Aquatic living resources and marine and maritime bioeconomy

- Boost sustainable exploiting of marine resources
- Protect and valorize marine environment through
- Contribute to boosting a MED marine bioeconomy

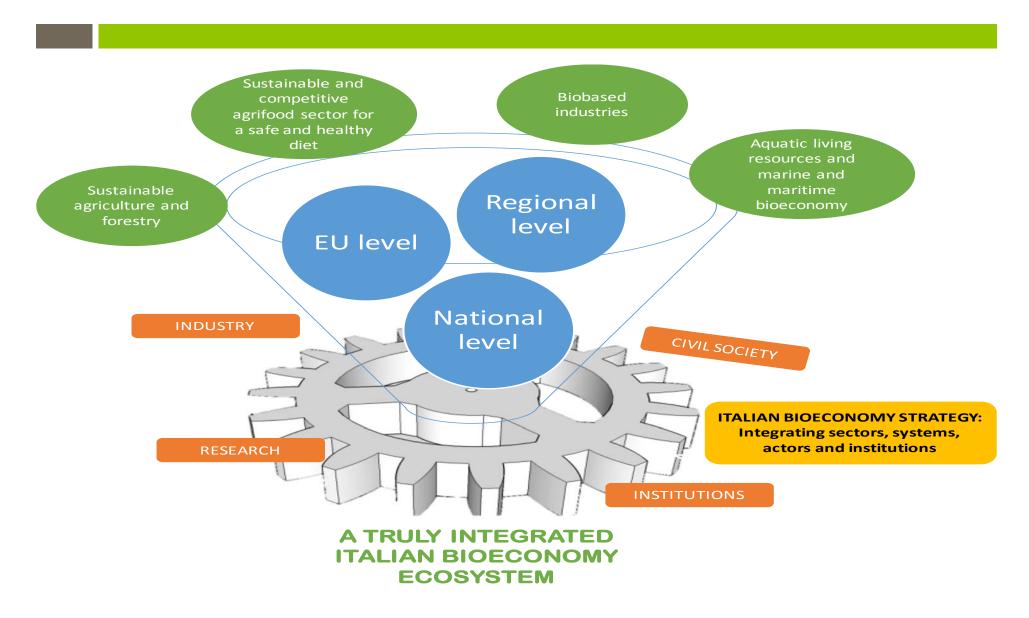
#### **Accompanying measures**

demand-side innovation policy tools Boost such as standardization, labeling, and public procurement; Boost demand for bioeconomy products and services and create a bioeconomy marketplace, to match demand and supply of biomass, technology, and services; ☐ Promote education and professional training for bioeconomy specialists, also in partnership with private actors and industrial players; **□** Support social responsibility corporate proposing methodological framework for enterprises to highlight the biobased content and features of bioeconomy processes products.

## Monitoring and evaluation

		key performance indicators at national and regional level								
				criteria						
	biomass availability		Productive structur Employment structur		Human capacity	Innovation	Investment	Demographics	Markets	
	agricultural biomass production [kg/capita]	import of agricultural biomass	the state of the s	Employment in total bioeconomy sectors [% of total employment ]	Tertiary education [% of total population]	IPRs (patent, trademark, design) applications in total bioeconomy sectors [number of application per 1000 employees]	private R&D expenditure [index (EU=1)]	Population growth [% year ]	Exports of total bioeconomy sectors related goods [% of total exports]	
	blue biomass production [kg/capita]	import of blue biomass	Firms in bioeconomy subsectors [% of total firms]	Employment in bioeconomy subsectors [% of total employment ]	R&D employment in total bioeconomy sectors [% of total employment]	IPRs (patent, trademark, design) applications in bioeconomy subsectors [number of application per 1000 employee]	public R&D expenditure [index (EU=1)]	Population 15-65 years [% of total population]	Exports of bioeconomy subsectors related goods [% of total exports]	
	forestry biomass production [kg/capita]	import of forestry biomass	innovative start up in total bioeconomy sectors [% of total innovative start up]		R&D employment in bioeconomy subsectors [% of total employment]			GDP (PPP) [index (EU=1)]	Imports of total bioeconomy sectors related goods [% of total exports]	
	waste biomass production [kg/capita]	import of waste biomass	innovative start up in bioeconomy subsectors [% of total innovative start up]		University courses in bioeconomy sectors [% of total university courses]				Imports of bioeconomy subsectors related goods [% of total exports]	
					Research Institute in bioeconomy sectors [% of total Research Institutes]					

## A synthetic view



## Thank you for your attention!

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