



# BIOECONOMY WORKING GROUP

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**Main 2024 workstream:** EU Mission 'A Soil Deal for Europe'

## Key EU processes to follow:

- Implementation of the Soil Mission, and links between the Soil Mission and other EU Missions
- European Partnerships: Circular Bio-based Europe, Agroecology, European Partnership for Sustainable Food Systems, EIT Food
- Horizon Europe Strategic Plan 2025-2027 and inputs to FP10

## On-going activities to be followed further in 2024:

- The implementation of the Soil Mission:
  - SOILL-Start Up project: support 100 Soil Mission Living Labs and Lighthouses to lead the transition towards healthy soils
  - Project facilitation around the Soil Mission calls
- Sustainable food systems
- Circular Economy
  - Investments schemes for circular economy at local and regional level
  - Circular Cities and Regions Initiative (CCRI) – Influence future R&I policy initiative and the 2025-2027 Horizon Europe Work programme
  - Continue the policy dialogue with CBE JU and BIC to maximise the regional involvement

## First planned meetings:

- Breakfast meeting with the Natural Resources & Food Cluster, 9 February | 9:00-11:00
- Natural Resources & Food Cluster: Project facilitation session - April
- Implementing EU Soil Mission: supporting ERRIN members to get involved - May/June

