

CBE JU GOVERNING BOARD MEETING

Date: 13 October 2026
Time: 09:00-13:30
Place: HYBRID / Avenue de la Toison d'Or 56-60, 1060 Brussels, Belgium

AGENDA

1. 09:00-09:05 **Welcome & introduction**
James Morisson, Chair of the CBE JU Governing Board
2. 09:05-09:06 **Anti-trust declaration**
BIC
3. 09:06-09:07 **Management of potential conflicts of interest during the meeting**
GB Secretary
4. 09:07-09:08 **Adoption of the agenda**
Chair
5. 09:08-09:15 **To do review**
GB Secretary

List of items to review:

1. Chair of the Governing Board to contact EC DG COMM in view of exploring the possibility of organising an information session with EC representatives in the Member States to promote the work of the CBE JU and the bioeconomy more generally.

ITEMS FOR ADOPTION

6. 09:15-09:16 **Minutes of the GB meeting of 25 June 2026**
Chair
7. 09:16-09:17 **Decisions Point A¹**
GB Secretary

None

¹ To be adopted without discussion

ITEMS FOR INFORMATION I: Updates on programme implementation

- 8.a** 09:17-10:10 **2026 call submission statistics**
Virginia Puzzolo, CBE JU Head of Programme
Oliver Zobell, CBE JU Call Coordinator

Following the 2026 Call closure on 22 September, a presentation on the submission statistics will be provided.

- 8.b** 10:10-10:40 **Annual Work Programme (AWP) 2027**
Virginia Puzzolo, CBE JU Head of Programme
Samuele Ambrosetti, BIC Programming and Innovation Manager
Tomasz Calikowski, Policy Officer, EC DG RTD

Update on the finalisation of the topics and on the full AWP2027 timeline for adoption, including consultations with the SC & SRG.

COFFEE BREAK

10:40-10:55

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- 8.c** 10:55-11:10 **Communication Activities**
Elina Zicmane, CBE JU Communication Officer

Debrief on the event and communication activities that took place since the last Governing Board meeting on 25 June and a look ahead for the coming months.

- 8.d** 11:10-11:25 **Presentation of the CBE JU dashboards**
Virginia Puzzolo, CBE JU Head of Programme

Presentation of the CBE JU programme overview and country participation dashboard, KPI dashboard and the project portfolio dashboard.

ITEMS FOR INFORMATION II: Updates on strategic and governance matters

- 9.a** 11:25-11:40 **Presentation of the CBE JU Programme Office draft priorities for 2027**
Nicolo Giacomuzzi-Moore, CBE JU Executive Director

Presentation of the draft priorities for the Programme Office that will be included in the AWP 2027

ITEMS FOR INFORMATION III: Updates from the advisory bodies

10.a 11:40-11:50 **Working Group on Primary Producers (WG PP) update**
Virginia Puzzolo, CBE JU Head of Programme
Ana Ruiz, CBE JU Programme Officer

10.b 11:50-12:00 **Bioeconomy Investment Deployment Group: Update**
Nicoló Giacomuzzi-Moore, CBE JU Executive Director
Monica Padella, CBE JU Project Officer

FOR INFORMATION IV: Updates on policy developments

11.a 12:00-12:10 **European Commission update on the “New strategic approach to R&I in agriculture, forestry, rural areas and food systems”**
DG AGRI, European Commission

11.b 12:10-12:20 **European Commission update on the Global Bioeconomy Summit 2026 and International Bioeconomy Forum**
DG RTD, European Commission

11.c 12:20-12:30 **European Commission presentation on the Bio-based Europe Alliance (BEA), a key initiative of the new EU Bioeconomy Strategy**
DG ENV, European Commission

FOR INFORMATION V: Updates on market and industry developments

12. 12:30-13:00 **Presentation of six BIC reports on lead markets for Europe’s bioeconomy:**

- **Overview and key findings** ([report](#))
- **Bio-based chemicals** ([report](#))
- **Bio-based plastics, polymers & fibre-based packaging** ([report](#))
- **Textiles from bio-based fibres and fabrics** ([report](#))
- **Policy Recommendations** ([report](#))
- **Annex – References** ([document](#))

Marco Rupp, BIC Deputy Executive Director

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

13. 13:00-13:10 **Any other business**
