

## #EFIB2022: Industrial biotechnology community comes together in Vilnius next week

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Leading industry leaders, SMEs representatives, start-ups, policy makers and academia are expected in Vilnius on **26-27 October, 2022** to join the **15th European Forum for Industrial Biotechnology and the Bioeconomy (EFIB)**. The annual event, hosted by EuropaBio, welcomes almost 300 participants to join discussions around next generation economies and how industrial biotechnology can contribute to a more sustainable society.

This year's agenda amongst almost 60 speakers who will join the Conference in person and online, will feature Thierry Breton, European Commissioner for Internal Market, Virginijus Sinkevičius, European Commissioner for Environment, Oceans and Fisheries, prof. Virginijus Šikšnys, Vilnius university, representatives from companies such as Solvay, DSM, LanzaTech, Ev Biotech and others.

*'EuropaBio is delighted to be hosting this year's forum in Vilnius, with delegates joining us from across Europe. The theme 'Next generation economies: Industrial biotechnology for a sustainable society comes at a critical time for Europe, as we experience a generational point of transition. Now is the time for the bioeconomy to achieve its full potential, driven by Europe's powerful science base, inspirational SMEs, long term strategies in global companies and changes in consumer demand.', says Dr Claire Skentelbery, Director General of EuropaBio.*

EFIB participants will also have the chance to meet with 14 local and international start-ups, learn about recent projects in the industrial biotechnology field at the dedicated poster presentation area and set up business meetings via EFIB Partnering tool. EuropaBio's Executive Roundtable will bring together members and invited guests for a discussion on key recommendations to deliver a competitive bioeconomy, developed for the EFIB Vilnius Statement.

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