

Biomanufacturing is vital to Europe's future – EuropaBio's Biomanufacturing Platform calls for ambition and action

PRESS RELEASE

Brussels, 30 June 2023 – EuropaBio sets in stone the first European recommendations on biomanufacturing with the publication of its Biomanufacturing Policy Summit 2023 report. Following the recent launch of the EuropaBio Biomanufacturing Platform, the March Brussels Summit captured priorities of 80 industry leaders, policy makers and stakeholders to highlight the crucial role of cross-sectoral biomanufacturing for Europe's future.

EuropaBio Director-General Dr. Claire Skentelbery said “Biomanufacturing is a vital and significant part of Europe's industrial future. If Europe is to hit its ambitious targets in healthcare, sustainability, resilience and global competitiveness, biomanufacturing is an essential part of the mix. It is expanding in Europe but not is keeping pace with other global regions as they race to become global leaders in biomanufacturing. It is time for an ambitious cross-sectoral strategy and roadmap plus the policy and regulatory frameworks needed to ensure that Europe is a producer and not a customer”.

Recommendations advocate for a roadmap for Biomanufacturing, including recognition of biomanufacturing in the existing EU strategies, alignment across policy areas, targets for national biomanufacturing capacity and a global level playing field to enable and drive the scale up Europe's industrial transition.

EuropaBio's call to action emphasizes the need for ambitious measures and decisive steps to maximise the impact biomanufacturing, driving economic growth, addressing societal challenges, and advancing sustainable development goals.

Recommendations from the Summit will underpin EuropaBio's growth of the Biomanufacturing Platform, working with industry across sectors to ensure that it receives the visibility and recognition required.

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