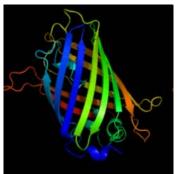
### Werkvergadering Mariene Biotechnologie in Vlaanderen









#### Kathleen D'Hondt

Departement Economie, Wetenschap & Innovatie - Vlaamse Overheid



## The European Knowledge Based Bio-economy - KBBE

A Bio-based economy is based on production paradigms that rely on **biological processes** and, as with natural ecosystems, use natural inputs, expend minimum **amounts of energy** and do **not produce waste** as all materials discarded by one process are inputs for another process and are reused in the ecosystem.

includes **all industries and economic sectors** that produce, manage and otherwise exploit biological resources, such as agriculture, food, fisheries, forestry etc... including **marine** 

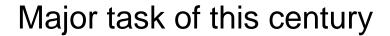
Market size: €2 trillion

Employment: 22 million jobs

In a broader context the Bioeconomy includes health related biotechnologies.



## **Tackling the grand challenges**



- Climate change
- Energy supply
- Population growth Food supply
- Aging population
- Pandemics
- Personalized medicine



## **Europe 2020 Strategy**



In a changing world, we want the EU to become a

Smart economy
Sustainable economy
Inclusive economy



Employment Productivity Social cohesion





- Triple Helix Innovation
  - Academia
  - Industry
  - Government
  - R&D&I towards the Bioeconomy



# Why fund Marine biotech?



Position paper from ESF's Marine Board

2006

EC green paper on Maritime Policy

2007

"The Bremen meeting"

2008

EC-US Task Force on Biotechnology

2008

EC's strategy for Marine and Maritime Research

2009

 Recommendations to KBBE-net for integrated Marine Biotech R&D in Europe

2010

Updated Position paper from ESF's Marine Board



### Ireland 2007: http://www.marine.ie/home/SeaChange.htm

- "Sea Change A Marine Knowledge, Research & Innovation Strategy for Ireland 2007-2013"
  - Marine Biotechnology, Marine Technology, Marine Functional Food and Renewable Ocean Energy

### Norway 2009

- "A strategy for Marine Bioprospecting a source of new and viable wealth creation"
  - Encourage use of marine resources, biobanks, international collaboration, innovation – develop value chain

### Denmark 2010

- "The Ocean a underutilised resource"
  - Better use of marine biomass, healthy diet, bioprospecting for new biological principles and compounds, biofilm



# **Definition of Marine Biotechnology**

### **OECD - definition of biotechnology:**

- "The application of science and technology to living organisms, as well as parts, products and models thereof, to alter living or non-living materials for the production of knowledge, goods and services" [1].
- + **list of** biotechnology techniques functions as an interpretative guideline to the single definition.

Marine biotechnology: the living organisms from marine sources.

Marine biotechnology has a horizontal scope encompassing very different applications, for all of which the marine environment is providing the resources.

[1] <a href="http://www.oecd.org/document/42/0,3343,en\_2649\_34537\_1933994\_1\_1\_1\_37437,00.html">http://www.oecd.org/document/42/0,3343,en\_2649\_34537\_1933994\_1\_1\_1\_37437,00.html</a>



## **KBBE-net Collaborative Working Group on Marine Biotechnology**

- Biodiscovery / Bioprospecting
- Reference marine organisms and systems
- Molecular aquaculture
- Marine biomass production, use and transformation
- R & D tools (model organisms, reference sequences, bioinformatics, databases and biobanks, HTS technologies, IPR)





European Technology Platforms (ETPs) and ERA-nets related to KBBE

- EATIP, SusChem, biofuels TP, ...?
- BiodivERsA, MATERA, INNER, ERA-PG, SPLASH, BONUS, Nanosci, EMIDA, ERASysBio, SEAS-ERA,...

Joint Programming Initiative (JPI)

OCEANS (No & Be)

Coordinated Support Action (CSA) towards an ERA-net on Marine Biotech 2011

Call 2013 call for an ERA-net on marine biotech

A broad range of national programs and activities



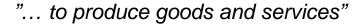


- 1 STREP, 2 NOE, 1IP, 1 SME research project, 2 SSA, 1 Marie Curie
- Total: €37.341.164

# **Funding in FP7**

- 2 SCP, 3 Infra: Total: **€18,31M**
- 2010: 5 SCP (€3M); 1 CSA €1M; 1 LCP €6M
- 2011: 1 CSA € 1M
- 2013: ERA-net € 2M





EU and national instruments towards SMEs

EuropaBio's initiative to establish a "Blue Biotech" activity

Establish a culture for working in clusters where industries and academics develop innovations.

Give the "Market Pull" a spearheading role. Use the "Technology push" to achieve this, and respect their mutual dependencies.

Development of the Knowledge Based Bio-Economy

# What is on the scene?

## Towards an ERA-net on Marine Biotech in 2013 (CSA)

- basis for a successful forum for the exchange of **information** between Member States
- initiate the process of identifying research complementarities, future joint, transnational calls.
- **expand the partnership** of the previous KBBE-NET Marine biotechnology working group to include more funding agencies of the different member states.
- complementarities with other European initiatives are sought and that interactions are established with relevant ERA-NETs and ETPs.
- future global initiatives in the area marine biotechnology



new policy work to ensure the translation of new scientific and technological advances into economic prosperity in an environmentally sustainable manner.

### Workshop:

- Provide a forum to discuss the potential of marine biotechnology to provide solutions to the grand challenges of food and fuel security, population health, sustainability industries and environmental sustainability – Green Growth
- Discuss the impact and potential of new science and technology within the field of marine biotechnology.
- Identify areas which may present a barrier to development of marine biotechnology.
- Consider the role of government in creating an enabling environment for marine biotechnology.
- Determine areas in which the OECD can provide further policy insight and expertise.
- Provide guidance for further work on marine biotechnology at the OECD.



- Session 1: Productivity and Sustainability of the Ocean
- Session 2 : Marine Biotechnology and the Bioeconomy / Deriving Value from Marine Biotechnology
- Session 3: Realising the Promise of Marine Biotechnology—'Benefit for the People'
- Session 4: Marine Biotechnology and Marine Sustainability 'Benefit for the Planet'
- Session 5: "'The Human Genome Project' of the Ocean" Development of infrastructures to realise the potential of marine biotechnology
- Session 6: Knowledge Mobilization: Sharing knowledge for Global Benefit
- Session 7: The intersection between Science, Industry and Society— Enabling the Global Promise
- How to Deliver the Promise: Where to Next?
- Closing Debate



### **Round Table - DISCUSSION**

- Heeft mariene biotechnologie een rol in uw onderzoek?
- Zijn er infractuursnoden om mariene biotechnologie in uw onderzoeksdomein te ondersteunen?
- Kan mariene biotechnologie bijdragen tot innovatie en valorisatie in uw expertisedomein?
- Welke expertise is er nodig om opportuniteiten op het vlak van mariene biotechnologie voor uw domein uit te bouwen?
- Wat zijn de gaps om een dynamische mariene biotech expertise centrum uit te bouwen;
   opleiding? Industrie?
- Wenst/kan men mariene biotechnologie in de huidige onderzoeksstrategie op te nemen?
- Zijn er mogelijkheden om bij te dragen tot het 'Nieuw Industrieel Beleid' of een 'Biobased Economy'?



