AEBIOM to host 5th European Bioenergy Conference in Brussels, on May 12-14

BRUSSELS, BELGIUM, March 25, 2014 (Press Release) - The AEBIOM Bioenergy Conference organized by the European Biomass Association is the fifth edition of the growing series. The annual conference has grown ever since its first edition in 2010 and has quickly become Europe’s major occasion for discussion and networking amongst important industry leaders and policy makers.

Our programme is now almost complete and we will have speakers from the EU Commission DG Agriculture, DG Energy and DG Environment. Companies such as Bioten Group, Ekman, KWB, Palazzetti, Port of Rotterdam, Total Belgium, Torrcoal, River Basin Energy and SEKAB will be joining us. We will also benefit from the presence of many organisations such as AIEL, AVEBIOM, BBE, Birdlife, CEPF, COPA-COGECA, EIPS, EPC, EREC, IBTC, PEFC, SVEBIO, WWF and many more.

The programme will focus on the EU Policy Agenda which will focus on ongoing developments in three EU Policy files which are of the utmost importance for our sector: What is the future of renewable energy support schemes? How to both promote the renewable heat sector and reduce the emissions from combustion installations? How to make sure that bioenergy developments take place in a sustainable framework?

We will also have several sessions on the Heat Market which will be organized by The European Pellet Council (EPC) and the European Industry of Pellet Suppliers (EIPS). We will put a strong focus on the pellet markets (market development, country cases, pellet supply, etc.) but also speeches on wood briquettes, wood chips and wood logs markets.

The conference will also focus on future markets. Technological challenges for heating appliances will be addressed, along with sessions on innovation and development in Torrefaction, session organized by International Biomass Torrefaction Council (IBTC) and Advanced Biofuels. As the Biomass Technology Roadmap will be freshly launched at that time, setting out actions and investments needed, presentations will look at innovations going forward (and against the backdrop of Horizon 2020).

Moreover, this year we are planning to bring a few changes to the conference programme making it more dynamic and focused on key issues such as sustainability, heat markets, torrefaction and advanced biofuels. Therefore, we encourage you to be a leader in these discussions and expose your brand in front of high representatives and
So far, the conference is benefiting from one Silver Sponsor BIFFIO Project and two Bronze Sponsors: ARBIO and STICHTING VICTAM. We would like to thank them for their support.

The 5th edition will be co-organized with the European Pellet Council (EPC), the European Industry of Pellet Suppliers (EIPS) and the International Biomass Torrefaction Council (IBTC). For more information please access www.aebiom.org/conference.