

# Building resilient, bio-based UK supply chains for high value biorenewables

## DRAFT PROGRAMME

30 June 2025, The Grand, York

10:00 – 10:30	Arrival and registration, with refreshments
10:30 – 10:45	<b>Welcome and Introduction</b> Ian Graham, HVB
10:45 – 11:00	<b>The Size of the Prize: building UK bio-based supply chains</b> Jen Vanderhoven, BBIA
11:00 – 11:45	<b>UK Biomass: current context</b> Chair: Jeanette Whitaker, Biomass Connect  Rob Meadley, Brown & Co - <i>Biomass production from grower's perspective</i> Kevin Lindegaard, Crops for Energy - <i>How the Envirocrops web app can help</i> Florian Ilias, Terravesta - <i>Biomass frontier: industry insights and breaking through barriers</i>
11:45 – 12:45	<b>Biomass and Biotechnology: getting the most out of feedstocks</b> Chair: Mark Corbett, BDC  Parimala Shivaprasad, University of Nottingham - <i>Valorising UK's horticulture waste: bio-based ingredients for the consumer goods sector</i> Julian Pietrzyk, MiAlgae - <i>Distilling innovation: microalgae and whisky by-products powering a sustainable UK bioeconomy</i> Jim Gibson, Celtic Renewables - <i>Feedstocks → FEED → Stock (£)</i> Dave Bryant, Aberystwyth University - <i>From Field to Furnace: Biorefining Miscanthus, Straw and Birch into Premium Fuel for Steel Production</i>
12:45 - 13:45	<b>Lunch – The Rise Restaurant</b>
13:45 – 14:30	<b>Panel Session: Building bio-based supply chains</b> Chair: Jen Vanderhoven  Panel: Sarah Davidson, Croda; Dave Freeman, Cargill; Richard Lock, Holiferm; John Williams, Aquapak
14:30 – 15:30	<b>Discussion Session: The future's bio - let's make it happen!</b> Chairs: Melanie Kreye, University of York with Jen Vanderhoven, BBIA
15:30	<b>Refreshment break</b> (tea and coffee/ snacks served in the meeting room)
16:00 – 16:30	<b>Workshop Outputs</b> Chairs: Jen Vanderhoven, Mark Corbett and Jeanette Whitaker <i>Top three actions for progress and impact in UK bio-based supply chains</i>
16:30 – 16:45	<b>Closing remarks</b>