

Programme

Wednesday 24th May

Time	Event	Speaker
10.30 a.m.	Registration & Refreshments	
11.00 a.m.	Welcome Address	Iain Donnison, Director of BEACON, Aberystwyth University
11.10 a.m.	Welcome	John Hughes, Vice Chancellor, Bangor University
Session 1—Strategy Chair: Steve Fish, Lancaster University		
11.30 a.m.	Evidencing the UK Bioeconomy	Paul Henderson, Head of Bioeconomy Strategy, Department for Business, Energy & Industrial Strategy (BEIS)
11.50 a.m.	The Scottish National Plan for Industrial Biotechnology: its progress and future work	Roger Kilburn, CEO, IBioIC
12.10 p.m.	Landuse, Closed Loop and Skills from a Climate Change Perspective	Ewa Bloch, Innovation Lead for Urban Living and International, Innovate UK
12.30 p.m.	Q&A	
12.50 p.m.	Lunch	
13.50 p.m.	Plans for the Bioeconomy of the North of England and for BioPilotsUK - regional and national perspectives	Joe Ross, Director, Biorenewables Development Centre
14.10 p.m.	BEACON From Plants to Products	Adam Charlton, BioComposites Centre, Bangor University
14.30 p.m.	Feeding the Circular Economy-Food for Thought	Rebecca Colley Jones, Director, Ynys Resources Ltd
14.50 p.m.	Q&A	
15.05 p.m.	Refreshments	
Session 2—Funding Chair: Rhian Hayward, Chief Executive Officer, AIEC		
15.35 p.m.	Challenging Outcomes to Maximise the Value of Public Funding	Mike Shaw, Group Manager, Mid Wales Regional Engagement Team, Ceredigion County Council
15.55 p.m.	Developing Partnerships	Steve Fish, Head of Business Partnerships and Enterprise, Lancaster University
16.15 p.m.	European Funding for Bio-based Industries	Ian Holmes, Horizon 2020 NCP, Innovate UK
16.35 p.m.	Panel Discussion	
16.55 p.m.	Close	

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Session 3—Incubating Businesses Chair: Rob Elias, BioComposites Centre, Bangor University		
9.30 a.m.	Menai Science Park (M-SParc)	John Rooney, Business Development Officer, M-SParc
9.50 a.m.	Aberystwyth Innovation and Enterprise Campus (AIEC): Plans and Progress	Rhian Hayward MBE, CEO, AIEC
10.10 a.m.	AgorIP - Bringing Innovation to Life	Nia Roberts, Swansea University
10.30 a.m.	Refreshments	
11.00 a.m.	Taking the plunge - From Scientist to Start-Up	Ahmed Ali, CEO, International Gums and Oils
11.10 a.m.	Quorn - A 50 year Overnight Biotechnology Success Story	Muyiwa Akintoye, Head of Research & Development, Quorn Foods
11.20 a.m.	Suprex – Spinning out Supercritical Expertise	Ray Marriott, Technical Director, Suprex Ltd
11.30 a.m.	Collaborations in Biorefining with BEACON	Jonathan Hughes, Director, Pennotec
11.40 a.m.	Panel Discussion	
12.15 p.m.	Closing remarks	Iain Donnison, Aberystwyth University
12.30 p.m.	Close	