

ESNI CONFERENCE

20 September 2023
Brussels, Belgium

European Sustainable Nutrient Initiative (ESNI) Conference,
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CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

The Biorefine Cluster Europe interconnects projects and people within the domain of bio-based resource recovery and has the ambition to create synergies and gather experts in networks by fostering and optimising the project dissemination and outreach to stakeholders.

The platform is structured around the following 6 domains related to circular economy:

- **Nutrient recycling and recovery** from waste streams in the agro-food value chain and its use as sustainable fertilizers;
- **Renewable energy** help bringing to market affordable, cost-effective and resource-efficient technology solutions to decarbonise the energy system in a sustainable way;
- **Water Recovery and Use** to reduce our water footprint by water reuse and improve the sustainability of water reuse processes;
- **Biomaterials & Eco-design** to make more sustainable and eventually biodegradable materials that will cause a lower impact to the environment;
- **Biochemicals** to obtain performing chemical and biochemical reactions using bio-based resources to obtain the desired molecules;
- **Value Chain Assessment** to address the problematic steps of the process and improve its sustainability and applicability in the circular economy.

On the 20 September 2023, the Biorefine Cluster will organise the fourth edition of the European Sustainable Nutrient Initiative - **ESNI Conference** that will take place **at FEB-VBO premises in Rue Ravenstein 4, 1000, Brussels (BE)**.

The ESNI Conference provides a comprehensive framework of the policies promoting the nutrient recycling and recovery (NRR) at European level as well as a focus on the role of EU-funded R&I projects in contributing to raise awareness on the benefits of nutrient recycling and reuse.

Its scope is to gather together a community where policy-makers, researchers, industry representatives and many other stakeholders can discuss and exchange knowledge on the benefits of nutrient recycling. Registrations are open at the following link and participants are invited to submit their abstracts to present their research or project poster, following the instructions below.

Please note that only research abstracts and posters can be submitted for free. A cost of 350 euros is foreseen for those who would like to pitch their project poster.

Template abstract and poster presentation

Abstract title

First name and name of author^{1*}, First name and name of co-author²

1 Affiliation, City, Country,

2 Affiliation, City, Country

* Corresponding author, E-mail: _____

Times New Roman should be adopted for all the text. The abstract title should be centred and written in bold with a font size of 14 pt. The author's first name and last name in 12 pt should be centred too, with the name of the presenter underlined. The affiliation, city, and country of all the authors should be provided in 10 pt. Authors from the same affiliation should share the same index number. The corresponding author should be marked by an asterisk (*). The abstract body in 12 pt mainly covers the objectives, methodology, key findings, and conclusions of the research. Illustrations, photographs (readable in black and white), and tables in adequate resolution are welcome.

Please be reminded that the length of the **abstract should not exceed 270 words, and the margins on the top, bottom, and two sides should be 2.5 cm**. The abstracts which do not meet this word limit will be sent back to the author(s) to be revised.

Authors are suggested providing a maximum of five keywords after the abstract.

Remarks

The abstract should be a MS word file named in the format of the following example:

Author name_Abtract template for 'European Sustainable Nutrient Initiative Conference'

Abstracts that do not meet these requirements will not be considered.

The abstract deadline is **31 August**. Please submit your abstract by email to *info@biorefine.eu*.

There is no fee for submission of an abstract.

If you need to receive a formal acceptance of your abstract in order to be funded to come to the conference, please write this in your e-mail. After submission you will be acknowledged of the receipt of the abstract via an email.

The organizing committee reserves the right to edit abstracts for clarity or correctness of English but will consult the author if any significant changes are needed.

Poster requirements

1) LAY-OUT

- Posters must be designed and presented vertically. Posters designed horizontally will not be accepted.
 - Posters must be on A0 size paper (ca. 841 x 1,189 mm).
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2) **CONTENT**

The poster should contain:

- The title of the corresponding paper, the authors, institution and the institution's location.
- The aims of the study, the question to be asked or the hypothesis to be tested should be clearly and succinctly stated (in as few words as possible).
- Briefly outline your methods. Provide details only for new methods or important modifications of older ones. The conclusions should be stated in large type and easily understandable.

3) **DISPLAY**

- All accepted abstracts will be presented in poster format during the conference.

Email confirmation on the acceptance will be sent on **8 September**.

Please do not forget to print the poster and bring it with you on the day of the event.

When the poster session closes, please remove and take your poster with you.

Conference organisers will not keep or forward forgotten posters to any presenter.

For any further information on the ESNI Conference and the call for abstracts, please contact margherita.genua@ugent.be.