

## **About the conference**

The depletion of oil reserves, climate change, and significant negative impact on the environment and dependency on politically unstable regions are all drivers for seeking alternatives to fossil-based resources. The bio economy encompasses the production of renewable biological resources and the conversion of these resources, residues, by-products and side streams into value added products, such as food, feed, bio-based products, services and bioenergy. It aims to use 'green' materials instead of fossil-based materials to generate bio-based products.

BIOMAT conference takes place from 05 to 06 October 2022 in Wädenswil, Switzerland, and is organized by the Zurich University of Applied Science. The BIOMAT-Conference will focus on the development of new biomaterials, processing technologies and application of biomaterials.

One of the key missions of this conference is to present the latest developments and discuss the potential application of biomaterials to replace the fossil based ones.

# Program 5.-6. October 2022

Wednesday,	05.10.2022
08:30	Registration

**09:00** Welcome, Prof. Dr. Urs Hilber, Dean ZHAW-LSFM

#### **Processes**

Moderation by Prof Dr. Selcuk Yildirim, ZHAW-ILGI

**O9:15 Biomat Research Project,**Prof Dr. Selçuk Yildirim, ZHAW-ILGI

09:20 A competitive bioeconomy for a sustainable

future

Michael Cook, Cook Business Consulting

09:50 Bioplastic from algae - Prospects and chal-

lenges of a sustainable production of PHB

Dr. Dominik Refardt, ZHAW-IUNR

10:10 Recent developments in tailoring material

properties of PHA

Prof. Dr. Manfred Zinn, HES-SO

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30 minutes coffee break

10:30

11:00	Processing biomaterials into thin fibers	
	and their applications	
	Prof. Dr. Christian Adlhart, ZHAW-ICBT	
11:20	Life Cycle Assessment of Cyanobacteria	
	cultivated on a thin-layer Photobioreactor	
	Alena Frehner, ZHAW-IUNR	
Materials		
	y Dr. Dominik Refardt, ZHAW-IUNR	
<b>12:55</b>	Opportunities for bio-based material future	
12.00	products	
	Katariina Torvinen, VTT, Finland	
13:30	Unlocking the full potential of lignocellulo-	
	se for biochemicals and -materials produc-	
	tion by using carbocation scavengers in	
	biomass pretreatment	
	Dr. Thomas Pielhop, ZHAW-ICBT	
13:50	Photobiorefineries towards the creation of	
	added-value from urban waste	
	Patricia Zamora PhD, AQUALIA, Spain	
14:10	30 minutes coffee break	
14:40	Biorefineries: the source of our future bio-	
	materials	
	Philip Scholten, Bloom Biorenewables SA	
15:00	History and perspectives of polymers as	
	biomedical materials	
	Jens Thies PhD, MBI, DSM Biomedical	
15:20	Condensed tannins from forest biomass:	
	bio-based molecules for polymer and adhe-	
	sive application	
	Christopher Holmes, BFH	
15:40	Q&A and closing speach	
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16:30	Laboratory tours on the either the campus	
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09:00 Welcome, Prof. Dr. Christian Adlhart, ZHAW-ICBT

**Applications** 

Moderation by Prof. Dr. Christian Adlhart, ZHAW-ICBT

09:15 Organic Recyclable Packaging: H2020

YPACK and USABLE PACKAGING European

**Projects** 

Prof. Dr. Jose M. Lagaron, IATA-CSIC, Spain

09:50 Use of side streams of food and agricultu-

ral industry for the production of packaging

material

Susanna Miescher & Nadine Rüegg, ZHAW-ILGI

10:10 End-of-life Options for Bioplastics – The

dichotomy between biodegradability and

renewable resources

Prof. Dr. Urs Baier, Biomasse Suisse

10:30 30 minutes coffee break

11:00 Circularity of potato chips byproducts in the

development of bioplastic packaging

Dr. Idalina Gonçalves, University of Aveiro, Portugal

11:20 Cellulose nanofibers coating for food

packaging applications

Dr. Gilberto Siqueira, EMPA

11:40 Revalorizing side-streams: challenges &

opportunities in non-food applications

Cecille Marie Cassar, RethinkResource GmbH

12:15 Q&A and closing speach

# **Information and Registration**

### Language of the conference

English

#### Costs

CHF 100.- incl. coffee-break refreshments, lunch and dinner on the first course day

#### Contact

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### Registration

until 21st September 2022 online at zhaw.ch/biomat/

### **Conference location**

The conference will take place in the Kulturhalle Glärnisch in Wädenswil, Glärnischstrasse 3, 8820 Wädenswil.

#### With public transport

To the Kulturhalle Glärnisch: From Wädenswil train station to the stop «Glärnischl» with the bus 123, 127 and 128; go to www. sbb.ch or www.zvv.ch.

#### With the car

From the A3 motorway exit Wädenswil to the Glärnisch car park (Address: Glärnischstrasse 3, 8820 Wädenswil)

### **Eventlocation for wednesday evening**

On Wednesday, there will be laboratory tours organised on the campuses Reidbach and Grüental. The dinner itself will take place on the Campus Grüental in the Building GC.

