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International Advisory Board on Global Bioeconomy (IACGB) provides information on bioeconomy on its new website and is looking for new youth ambassadors

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The International Advisory Council on Global Bioeconomy (IACGB) is an independent think tank composed of about forty high-level bioeconomy leaders and experts from all hemispheres, representing different backgrounds and expertise. While the members of the IACGB serve in their personal capacity, many of them also advise the bioeconomy landscapes and governments of the countries or regions to which they relate.

The IACGB intends to act like a platform of platforms to facilitate international collaboration and mutual exchange in all aspects of relevance for sustainable and circular bioeconomy development by working together with multiple stakeholders across the globe, through leading representatives from policy, science, civil society and the business sector.

The IACGB initiates, designs and organizes the [Global Bioeconomy Summit](#), a leading global conference and platform for exchange and discussion of recent developments for a sustainable and circular bioeconomy worldwide.

As members of the International Advisory Board on Global Bioeconomy and of EPSO, we want to inform EPSO members about the new IACGB homepage <http://www.iacgb.net>. It provides broad information on the goals, activities and members of the IACGB, as well as on bioeconomy strategies and developments worldwide and on upcoming events. In this way, it will support the international exchange on the development of a sustainable and circular bioeconomy.

Three scientists involved in EPSO are member of the International Advisory Board on Global Bioeconomy: Elspeth MacRae / NZ is co-chair, Josef Glössl / AT and Ulrich Schurr / DE. In addition, the IACGB office is hosted at the Institute for Plant Sciences of the Julich Research Centre and Peter Wehrheim / DE (European Commission) is member of the IACGB as well.

The International Advisory Board on Global Bioeconomy is **looking for new youth ambassadors for the IACGB**. Please see notification and application form and directions on how to apply at <http://www.iacgb.net> .

EPSO will support the IACGB and help disseminate its activities. To this end, bioeconomy actors across the globe are welcome to organise interactive events for the public under the International **Fascination of Plants Day 2022**, around the 18th May 2022 <https://plantday18may.org/> . The FoPD is coordinated by EPSO jointly with over 54 National coordinators from over 54 countries.

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Useful links

IACGB: <http://www.iacgb.net/>
EPSO: <https://epsoweb.org>
FoPD: <https://plantday18may.org/>

About EPSO

EPSO, the European Plant Science Organisation, is an independent academic organisation that represents around 200 research institutes, departments and universities from 32 countries, mainly from Europe, and 2.300 individuals Personal Members, representing over 26 000 people working in plant science. EPSO's mission is to improve the impact and visibility of plant science in Europe, to provide authoritative source of independent information on plant science including science advice to policy, and to promote training of plant scientists to meet the 21st century challenges in breeding, agriculture, horticulture, forestry, plant ecology and sectors related to plant science. <https://epsoweb.org> | EU Transparency Register Number 38511867304-09