



Telling the story of European biotechnology

Join 20 Biotech Associations in celebrating the 60th anniversary of the discovery of DNA.

European Biotech Week: Celebrating Innovation

The European Biotech Week celebrates biotechnology, an innovative and vibrant sector launched by the discovery of the DNA molecule back in 1953. The first European Biotech Week will mark the 60th anniversary of this pivotal moment in history.

This momentous occasion opened the door to a better understanding of the world we live in both for scientists and for society.

To provide you with an example, DNA triggered crucial discoveries and deeper knowledge on genes, proteins, viruses, bacteria and stem cells.

Biotech entrepreneurs were able to translate this knowledge into applications for many sectors such as healthcare, agriculture, food, energy, water sanitation and biochemical processing, all of which have changed the world for the better.

Biotech associations are key in helping to maximize the potential of biotechnology. In Europe, the National Associations Council, hosted by EuropaBio, represents 19 national biotech associations that together represent over 1,800 small- and medium-sized biotech companies and organisations.

In the first European Biotech Week, September 30 - October 4, 2013, those national associations, together with EuropaBio, will celebrate DNA's discovery and highlight biotech's achievements and opportunities through events across Europe.

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11 events in #Finland alone during 1st ever European #biotechweek - wow - thx @SuomenBioteoll! Stay tuned, they'll all b published soon!

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Reading the summaries of nearly 100 events that took place across the #EU during the 1st EU #biotechweek for publication - I am hooked!

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2013 Calendar of Events



In the European Biotech Week, events across Europe will celebrate biotechnology, an innovative and vibrant sector launched by the 1953 discovery of the DNA molecule, sixty years ago.

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Belgium

- Sep 23 - Oct 4 **Biotech in your everyday life art exhibition:** Open to the general public. Come and see how biotech really is a part of your daily life from eating and drinking, taking medication, driving and even washing your clothes! - European Parliament Information Office in Brussels, Place du Luxembourg (located at the European Parliament)
- Sep 30 - Oct 1 The Second Bioeconomy Forum- Global Challenges and the Bioeconomy- part of the solution or part of the problem? A communications case -The Square Brussels
- Oct 1 Seminar: "Patients meet Scientists" - Hospital Gasthuisberg, Leuven
- Oct 1 PR-Desk Business Dialogue on biotech Industry & Green Plastics (invitation only) - Building Covent Garden, Belgium
- Oct 1-2 The European Forum for Industrial biotechnology and the bioeconomy (EFIB) -The Square BRUSSELS (Focus for industrial biotechnology specialists)



- Oct 1-3 COMmFABnet training "Effective & Entrepreneurial Communications Planning & Activity for Research Projects in the Bioeconomy" - Building Covent Garden, Belgium
- Oct 2 **Biotech in 2020: Is Europe still relevant?** Launch event incl. EuropaBio Most Innovative EU Biotech SME Award (policy makers, business stakeholders, general public)
- Oct 3 site visit **Crop Design** - with bio.be
- Oct 4 site visit **Genzyme** - with bio.be

Finland



- Oct 1 Seminar on Drug Discovery - Turku (focus for media)
- Oct 2 Seminar on Genomics - Helsinki (public)
- Oct 3 Defining the Future of Industrial Biotechnology in the EU - Nordic Workshop Finlandia-talo, Helsinki, Finland
- Oct 3 Life after PhD - a career seminar for Graduates - Tampere (graduate students)
- Oct 3 Main event in Helsinki (public)
- All Week Activities for school children and teachers in the Gadolin science class, whole week, Helsinki (focus for school children and teachers)

France

- Oct 3 Site visit to Roquette in Lestrem, the largest biorefinery in Europe (for students and teachers from the university of Lille)
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- Oct 3-4 Rendez vous de **Concarneau 2013**
Marine Biotech: "When industry meets science" (focus for industry and academics)

Germany



- Sep 30 - Oct 4 Digital showcase - German biotech competes on YouTube

Ireland



- Oct 1 "Flesh and Blood" - Genetics meets Genealogy: Discover your lost family connections through genealogic techniques

Italy



- Sep 30 - Oct 2 VI Foresight Training Course, "Biotech and Innovative Science to meet Patient Needs" - Bari (for children and families)
- Sep 30 - Oct 3 Happy birthday Mr DNA - Baby Science Lab - Bologna (for children and families)
- Sep 30 Opening Ceremony - Rome (for general public & science community)
- Oct 1-3 Genetic lab - Milan
- Oct 1 Presentation of Assobiotech/EY report - Parliament (for policy makers, SME interests)
- Oct 2 'Quality is in the DNA' (for Agri-food experts)
- Oct 3 Theatrical performance 'Il Clone Africano' - Fumero
- Oct 3 White night at the Life Learning Centre - Bologna
- Oct 3 Session on Biotechnology and Genetics - Naples
- Oct 3 Discussion on biorefineries and their importance to the local economy - Turin
- Oct 4 Seminar on the bioeconomy - Naples (for school students)
- Oct 4 FUTURECAMP EUROPE: BIOTECH Job projects for young people - Milan
- Oct 4 New Frontiers for Genetics and Agriculture - Florence
- Oct 4 Seminar on Crick and Watson discovery of the DNA double helix structure - Bologna
- Oct 4 Tech transfer event, Milan (for start-ups)
- Oct 4 Theatrical performance "Il DNA incontra Facebook" (for general public)
- Oct 5 "Open doors" day (for Biotechnology companies meet the general public)
- Oct 5 DNA on the Road: mobile laboratory of the Life Learning Centre - Bologna
- Oct 5 Biotech Art photograph display - Bologna
- Oct 6 Jewelry making workshop with hidden DNA codes - Bologna