



### WHAT BIO4ECO BROUGHT US?







Forest Sciences and Technology Centre of Catalonia (lead partner)

Govt. of Catalonia - Directorate General of Forests

Regional Council of North Karelia

Ministry of Agriculture Republic of Latvia

French Federation of Forest Municipalities

Latvian Forest Owners' Association

Slovenia Forest Service

**Executive Forest Agency of Bulgaria** 

Abruzzo Region Rural Devt. and Fisheries Policies Dept.

Regional Development Agency Centru

























### Expected outcomes

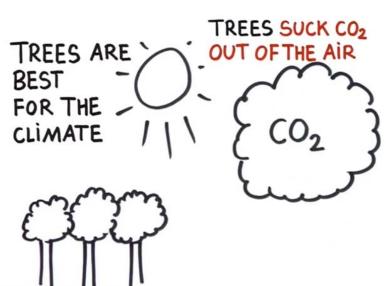
- Increase the share of renewable energy in the overall energy mix.
- Take into account bioenergy and bioeconomy in all planning and decision making.
- Lay the groundwork for future integrated strategies and programs for regional bioeconomy and carbon neutrality, gaining social acceptance for bioenergy.





## Facts and figures

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- Number of good practices identified: 16
- Number of people with increased professional capacity due to their participation in interregional cooperation activities: 186
- Number of action plans developed: 8
- Number of appearances in media: 87
- Sum of the average of total sessions at the project web page: 3,900
- Reported expenditure:1,345,000 €

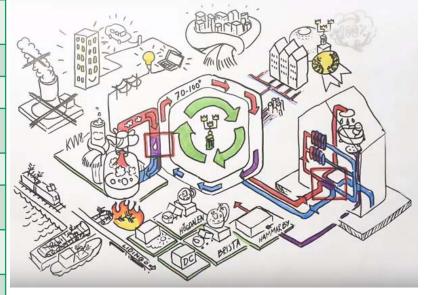


### SUSTAINABILITY & BENEFITS



#### North Karelia - Eno cooperative: inexpensive district heat with local forest biomass

Local forest owners associated	55
Heating plants owned	3
District heating length	11 km
Amount saved during 15 years	4.1 Mio EUR
Oil replaced	12,600 barrel/yr
Reduction CO <sub>2</sub> emission	5,000 t/yr
Local economy benefits	2 Mio EUR/yr
Additional employment	7-10 man/yr



#### Catalonia - Reducing forest fire hazard through a zero mile forest biomass market

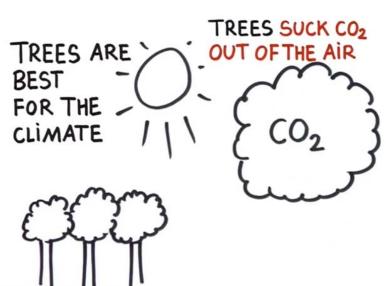
Forest biomass harvesting for thermal use	3,250 t/yr
Forest biomass for thermal use	750 tep/yr
Improving managed forest area	160 ha/yr
Reduction CO <sub>2</sub> emission	1,200 t/yr
Equivalent dwellings fed	735





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### What else BIO4ECO brought us

- A great opportunity to learn and share experience with other countries to identify solutions for improving partners' policy instruments.
- Increasing knowledge on technology, productive and socio-economic contexts related to bioenergy.
- Gaining international experience in the field of policies and methods for more effective use of biomass for energy purposes.
- Support our governments for the integration of bioenergy strategies.





# Quadruple BIO4ECO helix

- 1. Technical innovation
- 2. Biomass certification and emissions monitoring
- 3. Social awareness
- 4. Policies coordination









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