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Panel 1:
Bioeconomy strategies in the different
OECD countries: comparison of their
objectives, priorities, governance and
implementation guidelines



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Bioeconomy in Argentina

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1. Which agricultural sectors comprise your national bioeconomy?

- Argentina's government believes that bioeconomy, as a development paradigm, includes both modern biotechnology and bioproducts.
- The bioeconomy in Argentina includes various innovative scientific sectors such as **Biotechnology, Bioenergy, Bio-inputs and Biomaterials.**
- Our country has developed these dynamic sectors, due to its natural competitiveness and comparative advantages, producing safe and healthy food and bioproducts to the world, thereby contributing to safeguard food security and move towards circular economy.
- Argentina seeks to establish a bioeconomy approach in which science and risk-assessment based regulations are critical, in order to implement the United Nations 2030 Agenda and its Sustainable Development Goals.
- The objective is to complement and converge the conventional production models with circular economy approaches, as one of the tools available to achieve sustainable development, in accordance with national priorities and policies.



2. How is the strategy on bioeconomy in your country implemented?

The bioeconomy in agriculture as a state policy has been going on for more than 6 years.

The conformation in 2020 of the National Directorate of Bioeconomy in the scope of the Ministry of Agriculture of Argentina, is the first major definition of public policy and strategy for the bioeconomy sector in the agricultural sector.



Great Milestones:

- ❑ In 2016, a document called the “Argentine Bioeconomy Strategy” was prepared and published
- ❑ In 2017, Inter-ministerial Agreement Argentine Bioeconomy Initiative was signed.
- ❑ In 2017, Bioeconomy Promotion Program was created by resolution 190/2017.
- ❑ In 2018, The document Measurement of the value chain of the Argentine Bioeconomy was prepared and published
- ❑ In 2020, conformation of the National Directorate of Bioeconomy in the scope of the Ministry of Agriculture of Argentina.
- ❑ In 2020 and 2021, Organization and convocation of 3 Bioeconomy Innovation Tables that provide an interactive space and dialogue between the actors in the chain.
- ❑ In 2021, Signing of an agreement with the International Labor Organization (ILO) for a Bioeconomy Project in the dairy sector of the Argentine Province of Santa Fe

3. What are the opportunities for your national bioeconomy?

Argentina has recognized the opportunities of our bioeconomy and we look straight forward:



So, What's next?

- Review and relaunch of the Bioeconomy Promotion Program (190/2017)
- Creation of a specific Area for the topics of innovation in bioproducts
- The launch of a new program for bioeconomy products
- Possible project cooperation between BMEL (GER) and MAGyP (ARG)
- Future cooperation in the design of a multidimensional monitoring and evaluation of National Bioeconomy Strategy

Cooperation between countries and actors active in this field:

Cooperation between countries and actors is crucial. For example, we have collaborated and participated in numerous meetings. The last ones were:

- ❑ During 2020 and 2021: Working Group on Policies for the Bioeconomy organized by the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB)
- ❑ In October 2020 we were co-organizers of the Seminar 24th ICABR Bioeconomy CONFERENCE.
- ❑ Participation in the event "The bioeconomy and the transformation of the food systems of Latin America and the Caribbean (LAC), organized by IICA in May 2021

**Thank you for your
attention**