



## **Crops2Industry**

"Non-food Crops-to-Industry schemes in EU27"

WP 6

Overall assessment of crops-to-products schemes

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## The concept



Fibre Crops



Carbohydrate Crops



Other Specialty Crops



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Oils



**Fibres** 



Resins



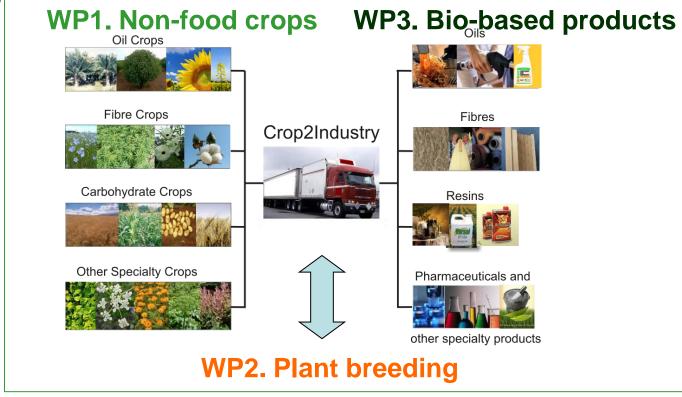
Pharmaceuticals and



other specialty products

# Crops

## Project structure



WP4. Costs and socio-economic impacts

WP5. Sustainability standards



## The consortium

CRES - Centre for Renewable Energy Sources, Greece					
UNIBO - University of Bologna, Italy	Crops				
INF&MP - Institute of Natural Fibres and Medicinal Plants, Poland	Сторз				
BIOS - BIOS AGROSYSTEMS S.A., Greece					
NCPRI - National Institute for Chemical and Pharmaceutical Research and Development, Romania					
ITERG, France					
KEFI - Kenaf Eco Fibers Italia S.p.A, Italy	Industry				
Hempflax B.V, The Netherlands	aasa.y				
CHIMAR Hellas S.A, Greece	7				
AUA - Agriculture University of Athens, Greece	Biotechnology				
ICCEPT - Imperial College London, UK	Economics				
OeKO - Institut of Applied Ecology, Germany					
<b>BOKU</b> - University of Natural Resources and Applied Life Sciences, Austria	Sustainability				
FZ-JUELICH Forschngszentrum Julich GmbH, Germany	Overall assessment				
CROPS TO INDUSTRY					



#### Oil Crops

- 1. Calendula/pot marigold (Calendula officinalis),
- 2. Caper spurge (Euphorbia lagascae),
- 3. Cardoon (Cynara cardunculus).
- 4. Castor (Ricinus communis),
- 5. Cotton seed (Gossyium annum),
- 6. Crambe (Crambe abyssinica),
- 7. Cuphea (Cuphea spp.)
- 8. Ethiopean mustard (Brassica carinata),
- 9. Honesty (Lunaria biennis),
- 10. Jatropha (Jatropha curcas)
- 11. Linseed/flax (Linum usitatissium),
- 12. Rapeseed (Brassica napus), incl HEAR
- 13. Safflower (Carthamus tinctorius)
- 14. Sunflower (Helianthus annus)incl high oleic



### Fiber Crops

- 1. Banana (*Mussa spp* L)
- 2. Fibre flax (Linum usitatissimum L)
- 3. Giant reed (Arundo donax L.)
- 4. Hemp (Cannabis sativa L)
- 5. Kenaf (Hibiscus cannabinus L)
- 6. Loofah (Luffa cylindrica L.)
- 7. Miscanthus (*Miscanthus x giganteus* GREEF et DEU)
- 8. Nettle (Urtica dioica L)
- 9. Reed canary grass (Phalaris arundinaceae L)
- 10. Yucca (Yucca gloriosa L)



### Carbohydrate Crops

- 1. Cassava (Manihot spp L.)
- 2. Potato (Solanum tuberosum L)
- 3. Sugar beet (Beta vulgaris L.)
- 4. Sweet sorghum (Sorghum bicolor L)
- 5. Maize (Zea mays L)



### Other specialty Crops

- 1. Calendula/pot marogold (Calendula officinalis L.)
- 2. Coneflower (Echinacea angustifolia DC)
- 3. Lavender (Lavandula angustifolia Mill.)
- 4. Pepermint (Mentha x piperita L.)
- 5. Ribwort/plantain (*Plantago lanceolata* L.)



## WP3. Bio-based products

#### Oils

**Biodiesel** 

Lubricants

Paint and ink

**Polimers** 

#### **Fibers**

Nonwoven,

insulation,

**Composites** 

Pulp & paper

**Technical fabrics** 

Decorative fabrics,

twine, ropes

**Particleboard** 

Woven and knitted fabrics, garments

etc

#### Resins

Cellulose

Hemicellulose

Lignine

**Protein** 

**Tannin** 

Starch

Free sugars

**Natural oils** 

Specialty

ingredients

# Other specialties

Pharma industry

Cosmetics

Dyes, colourants

Insecticides



### Objectives of the Integrated Assessment



Set of criteria to achieve the goals



Identify bottlenecks and developments to define systems boundaries as well as solutions to overcome them



 Identification and prioritization of the most important crops for the EU industry



# Identification of bottlenecks and of potential solutions



#### Major bottleneck categories

# Availability: quantity and quality

- crop
- Land
- climate change
- Seasonality
- Crop rotation
- New business development

#### Competition with fossilbase/ existing products

- Cost of raw material
- Technology and integrated systems
- Existing infrastructures
- Traditional business cases/ relations

# Public regulation and perception

- Public perception
- Regulatory issues and support by public bodies

#### <u>Different roles for stakeholders for solutions</u>

Farmer, industry, politics/ regulation, academia



### Integrated assessment



# Integration of WP 2, 3, 4, 5 results

WP 2: Crop status

WP 3: Products status

WP 4: costs and socio

economic impact

WP 5: ecological/

sustainability

#### **D6.2 bottleneck list**





Identification and prioritization of the most important crops for the EU industry



### Integrated assessment



# Criteria/ Bottleneck specific lists (almost finished by FZJ)

- √ Speciality crops
- ✓ Oil crops and oil products
- Carbohydrate crops and carbohydrates
- ✓ Fibre crops and fibres



#### **Summary tables of WP 1-5**

Crops	Origin	Area of EU cultivation	Yields	Products /Markets	Pros (+)	Cons (-)	Remarks /Referen ces
Brassica napus	Asia, S EU,Med	6,500 Mha*	2.5 t/ha (EU mean)	Biodiesel Food	<ul><li>Traditional</li><li>Many varieties,</li><li>Mechanical cultivation</li></ul>	Genetic improvement	
Sun- flower	USA, Med	3,300 Mha	1.9t/ha	Food Biodiesel	<ul><li>Traditional</li><li>Many varieties,</li><li>Mechanical cultivation</li></ul>	Genetic improvement	
Linseed	N. USA	15,000 ha	1.2-2 t/ha	Food Chemicals Pharma	<ul><li>Traditional</li><li>Many varieties,</li><li>Mechanical cultivation</li></ul>	Genetic improvement	

Summary Consolidation of data



Integrated report and ranking



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