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DRAFT PROGRAMME

Launch of the Register of Biofuels Origination (RBO) Consortium and 1st RBO General Assembly

*MCE Conference Centre – Rue de l'Aqueduc, 118 - 1050 Brussels
January 16th, 2013 - 09:45-16:45*

Morning: LAUNCH OF RBO CONSORTIUM

9:45 Welcome Coffee and registration

10:15 **Introduction**

- *Need for more thorough traceability of Extra Incentivised Biofuels (EIBs)*
- *Extra Incentivised Biofuels (EIBs): what definition?*
- *Scope and Objectives of the Consortium: a voluntary initiative from biofuels industry*
- *RBO: a pan-European Single Register for all Extra Incentivised biofuel production Chains and EIBs*

Debate, Questions and Answers session

11:00 **Functioning of the Consortium**

- *Governance of the Scheme, Governing Bodies*
- *Membership criteria: Full Members and Observers*
- *Representation from all biofuels production chains*
- *Next Steps*

11:30 *Coffee Break*

11:45 **Practical use of the Register of Biofuels Origination - RBO tool**

- *Relationship with European Commission and EU authorities*
- *Interaction with EU Member States and national schemes (RBO as a tool to help public authorities to implement EU and national legislation)*
- *Adoption across EU – what kind of certificate is most suitable for National Authorities verification?*
- *Certification and traceability principles – informatics system*
- *Interaction with existing voluntary schemes accredited by the EC Commission*

12:15 **Medium and long term perspectives for Extra Incentivised Biofuels (EIBs)**

- *Some statistics: EU multiple counting consumption forecast 2013-2020*
- *Extra Incentivised biofuels in the recent EU biofuels legislative proposals*
- *A long time frame for investment: perspectives beyond 2020*
- *EC Commission and Member States perspectives*

13:00 *Business Lunch*

14:10 **Start-up of the first RBO Consortium General Assembly meeting** *(see also page next page 2/2)*
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RBO launching event – part II
RBO Consortium General Assembly meeting

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14:10 1st RBO Consortium General Assembly meeting

- *Introductory Remarks*
- *Approval of the agenda (to be circulated)*

14:20 RBO Consortium Governance

- *Timeframe and steps for structuring*
- *Election of Chair and Vice Chair(s)*
- *Election of Steering Committee*
- *Technical Committee composition and other RBO Ad Hoc Groups*
- *Approval of 2013 budget*

14:50 Scope of RBO Consortium

- *Design of scheme*
- *Implementation*
- *Timeframes*

15:10 Design of Certification and Traceability rules and implementations

- *Certification and traceability principles and design*
- *Presentation of the Informatics Register system for traceability, verification and certification*
- *Governance of the Scheme*
 - *Transparency of Decisions - technology and biofuels neutral approach*
 - *Modifications and new products*
- *Auditing and actual verification procedures – accreditation of users*
- *Accreditation of Certification bodies (open to all EU and non-EU based certification bodies)*
- *Options e.g. possibility of issuing of certificates at each step*

Perspectives of work for RBO Technical Committee

- *Definition and listing of known Extra Incentivised Biofuels (EIBs) production chains*
- *Definition of per-biofuel production chains*
- *Definition, measurement and quantification of default conversion factors (applicable to each EIBs and pre-EIBs substances processing step)*

16:40 Next Steps and conclusions

- *Meeting schedules for 2013*

16:45 *End of the Meeting*