



GREECE
Ελλάδα



Greece has numerous strategies related to the bioeconomy, such as the "National Climate Change Adaptation Strategy" (2016), the "National Research and Innovation Strategy for Smart Specialisation", the "National Strategic Framework for Research and Innovation" or the "Rural Development Programme (2014-2020)" published in 2015. The country's activities in the bioeconomy have a total turnover of EUR 30 311 million and employ nearly 627 400 people. *



With nearly 65% of the beneficiaries being involved in R&I projects and more than 20% operating in coordination and support actions, Greece's BBI JU activities in the bioeconomy sector revolve mainly around innovation of technologies in areas such as aquaculture and bio-based chemicals as well as around knowledge development and creation of networks in the bio-based sector.

Examples of BBI JU projects with Greek beneficiaries :

- ④ **BIOWAYS** aims to develop educational materials on the benefits of the bioeconomy and to increase awareness amongst Europe's general public, students, scientists, media and policy makers of the value of bio-based products and applications to industry, the economy and the whole of the wider society, both in terms of what they deliver now and in terms of their future potential.
- ④ **VALUEMAG** aims to provide ground-breaking solutions for microalgae production and harvesting in a circular economy approach. Additionally, it seeks to scale up biomass transformation systems in order to provide new technologies for aquatic and marine biomass integrated bio-refineries.
- ④ **AQUABIOPRO-FIT**'s main objective is to promote efficient utilisation of European aquaculture, fisheries and agriculture sidestreams in feeds and nutritional supplement products promoting fitness and health by developing processing technologies to up-concentrate nutrients and bioactives.
- ④ **BIOFOREVER** aims to convert lignocellulosic feedstocks into chemical building blocks and high added-value products. The project offers job creation in the agricultural/forestry sector and, by creating bio-refinery technologies as export products, positions European ports for the transition to renewables driven business.

*Source: Bioeconomy Knowledge Center (2015)



63%
of BBI JU
funding goes
to **SMES**



More than
60%
of projects focus
on **R&I**



Nearly
6%
of the population
employed in the
bioeconomy sector



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