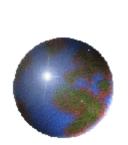
# Agrifood e Chimica Verde Sinergie, Connessioni e *Networking*delle governance regionali Perugia, 12 Dicembre 2017



# The Bioeconomy in Europe and in Italy, and the Italian Bioeconomy strategy

### **Fabio Fava**

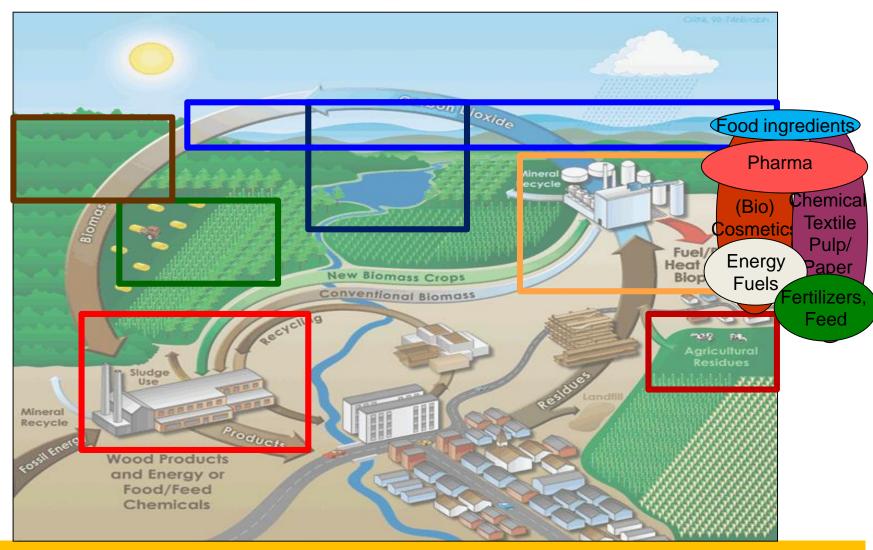
Italian Representative, i) *Horizon2020 SC2* Programming Committee; ii) "States Representatives Group" of *Public Private Partnership Biobased industry (BBI JU)*; iii) *BLUEMED Initiative* Strategic Board

&

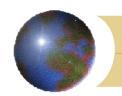
School of Engineering, AlmaMater Studiorum-Università di Bologna, Italy (E-mail: fabio.fava@unibo.it)



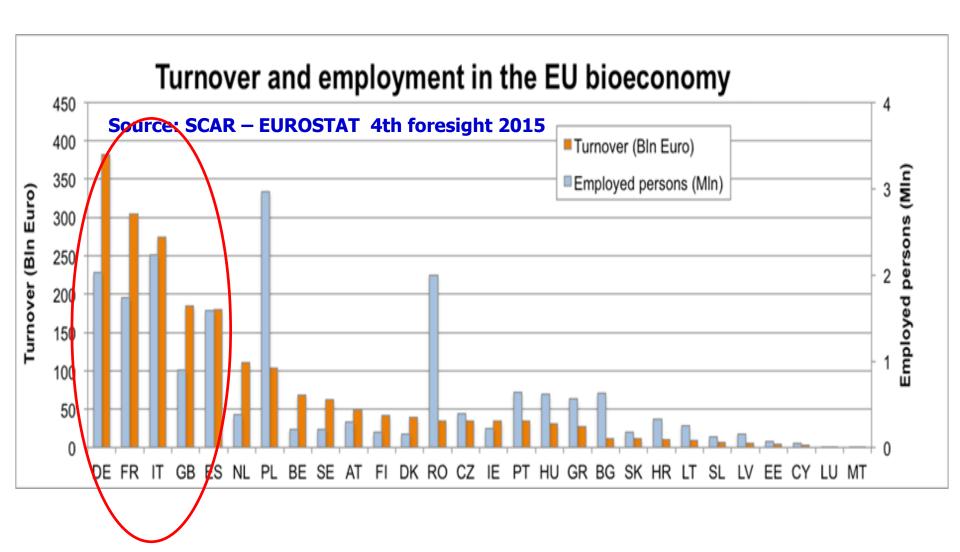
# The European Bioeconomy (a)



In Europe: about 2.200 Bln €/y and 18.6 Mln of jobs

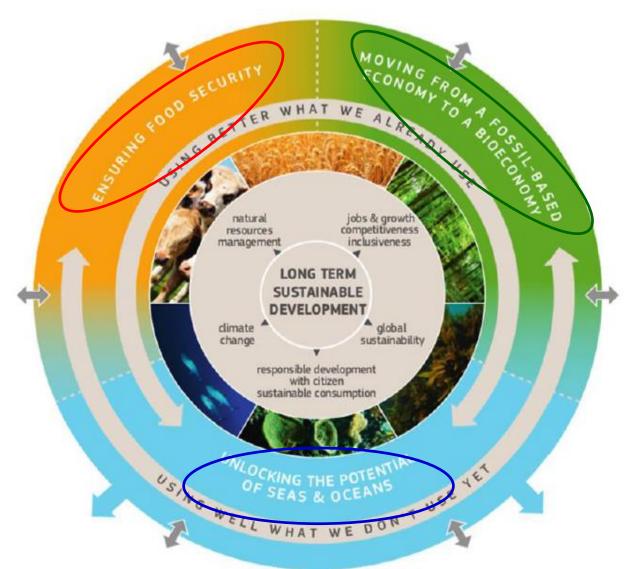


## The European Bioeconomy (b)



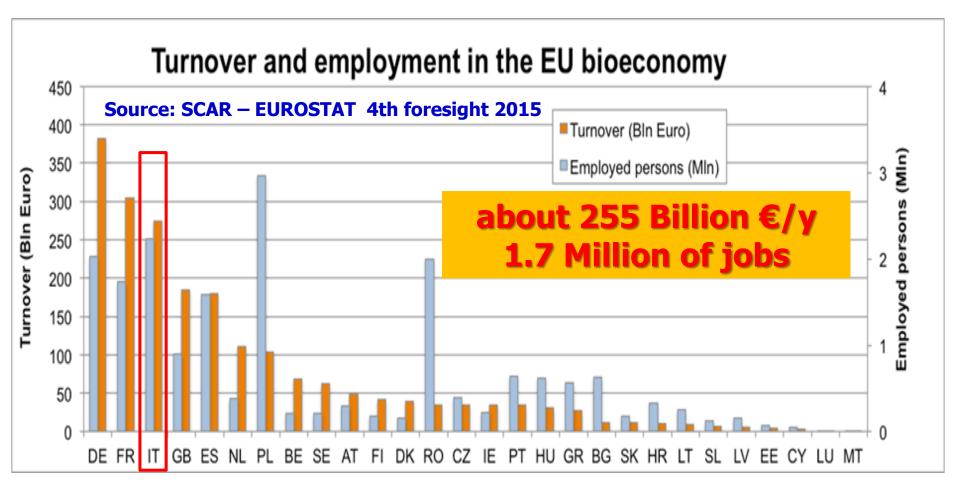


# The European Bioeconomy Strategy: main priorities (under revision)





## **Bioeconomy in Italy**



IT is the 2<sup>nd</sup> EU-MS as success rates in Horizon2020 SC2 & BBI JU programs. Qualified R&I scores and public/private actors/stakeholders but often fragmented, lack of coordination among national policies, funding programmes and infrastructures.



# Primary production: main challenges and opportunities

Agriculture,
Livestock and
aquaculture.
Used land:~13 M
ha, 90% in

- **Problems:**
- □ Limited profitability due to low average size and low revenue of farms, poorly organized value chains →abandonment, reduction of cultivated land surface;
- ☐ Poorly innovative agricultural practices and systems;
- ☐ Depletion of soil organic matter and water scarcity;
- ☐ Lack of training of farmers.

### **Opportunities:**

- □ Valorize plant/animal biodiversity and ecosystem services;
- ☐ Improvements crops/agricultural practices; precision farming
- ☐ Valorize agricultural residues and effluents.

~ 56 Billion €/y

rural areas

~ 920,000 jobs

Forestry.
Used area:
~12 M ha

### **Problems:**

- ☐ Limited valorization of forest products ->abandonment with biodiversity depletion, also due to climate change;
- □ Lack of training of forest company managers on new opportunities and business management.

### **Opportunities:**

☐ Integrated management of forest with valorization its biodiversity, ecosystem services, wood and products.



### **Food** Industry.

~132 Billion €/y ~ 390,000 jobs

# **Biobased**

**Industry** (Wood,

## Pulp

& Paper

Industry,

# ~63

Billion €/y ~ 300,000 jobs

#### **Problems:**

- ☐ Structural limitations (very small SMEs), lack of value chain coordination;
  - ☐ Strong products counterfeiting and imitations;
  - ☐ Low efficiency of food chains with remarkable food/biomass losses, energy and water consumption and by-products/waste production;

### **Opportunities:**

- ☐ Leading position for "typical/quality" foods (DOP, IGP,STG, etc.);
- ☐ Digitalization of entire value chains (Industry 4.0);
- ☐ Use by-products as sources of ingredients/bioproducts

### **Problems:**

- ☐ Wood processing industry based on imported raw material and on the production of medium/low value products;
- Limited availability of low cost, sustainable non-food feedstocks;
- Limited market for national biobased products; occurrence on the market of products that do not comply to international standards/labeling;
- Insufficient clarity in the labeling of bio products;

### **Biorefinery**Opportunities:

- ☐ Connect locally wood production and wood processing industry and biorefineries to produce conventional and new/higher value products;
- ☐ Use biowastes (byproducts/effluents/residues/waste) as feedstocks;
- Exploit abandoned/marginal lands for producing biomass for the local biobased industry and re-covert former industrial sites.

### Marine and maritime sectors: main challenges and opportunities



~ € 43 Billion €/y ~ 835,000 jobs ~20% due to **Bioeconomy** 

After: V RAPPORTO SULL'ECONOMIA DEL MARE Unioncamere, 2016

#### **Problems:**

- ☐ Unsustainable fishery; productions highly affected by climate changes;
- ☐ Increasing import of fish from areas with uncertain regulations and monitoring;
- ☐ Sea pollution (due to chemicals, litter, etc), presence of invasive species;
- ☐ Coastal urbanization, over- and un-sustainable exploitation of beaches.

### **Opportunities:**

- ☐ Exploit marine aquaculture (also off shore);
- ☐ Exploit local marine biodiversity;
- ☐ Exploit potential of bioeconomy at the land/sea interface.

# BIT

# Bioeconomy in Italy



A unique opportunity to reconnect

ECONOMY, SOCIETY and the ENVIRONMENT

# The Italian Bioeconomy strategy

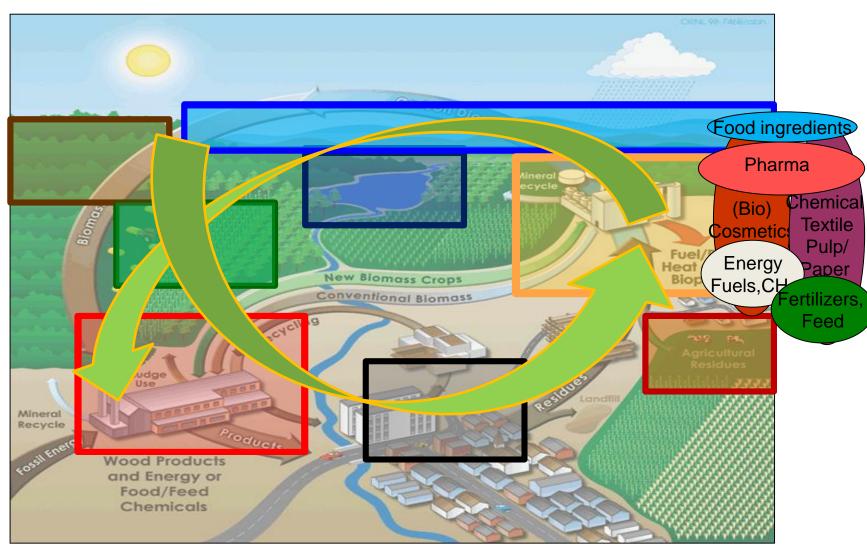
#### **AVAILABLE AT web site:**

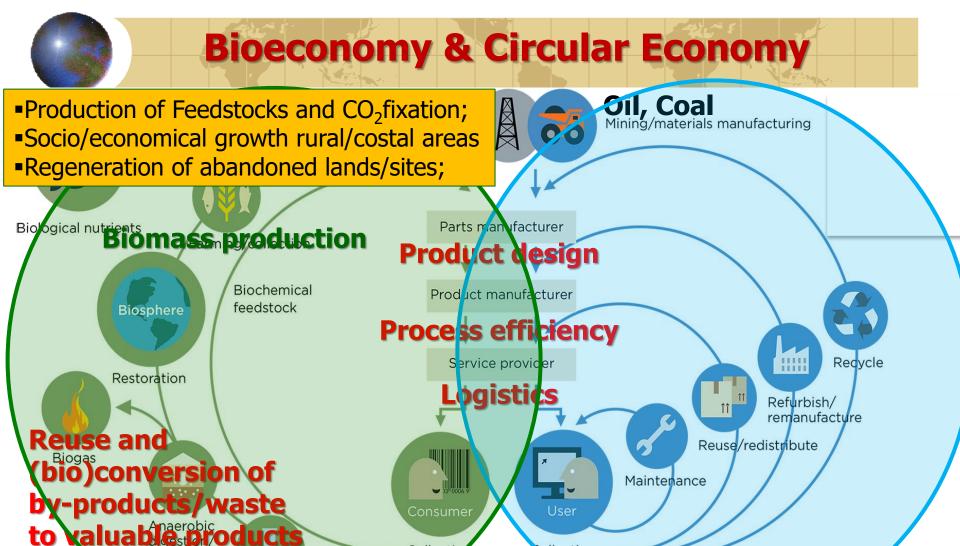
www.agenziacoesione.gov.it/it/S3/Consultazioni\_pubbliche/Bioeconomy.html

- 1 Bioeconomy Basics
- 1.1 In the global and EU context
- 1.2 At Italian level
- 1.3 Bioeconomy at regional levels
- 2 Raw materials sources and the opportunities of biowaste
- 3 Bioeconomy in everyday life
- 4 The social dimension of the bioeconomy
- 5 Legislative framework, funding measures and market pull measures
- 6 Challenges and action plan for the Italian bioeconomy
- 7 Implementation and monitoring
- 8 Actors involved and road map



# The Italian Bioeconomy strategy: the vision





Parliament Resolution: Jul 9 2015; EU adoption of Circular Economy package: Dec 2,2015 In EU by 2030:+30% resource saving;-50% CO<sub>2</sub> emission;+3% GDP;+1 M jobs

Recovery of energy

& Landfilling

Collection

After: MacArthur Foundation

Collectio

composting

Extraction of

biochemical

# The Italian Bioeconomy strategy: main objective and priorities

### **Main priorities:**

- a) Improve sustainably the productivity and quality of products of each of the sectors and more efficiently interconnect them, by creating longer and more locally routed value chains, where the actions of public and private stakeholders integrate across all major sectors;
- b) Exploit national terrestrial/marine biodiversity, ecosystem services and circularity, and regenerate abandoned/marginal lands and former industrial sites;
- c) Contribute to the growth of bioeconomy in the Mediterranean area via PRIMA and BLUEMED initiatives, for a greener and more productive region, a wider social cohesion and political stability in the area;
- d) Create: i) a wider and more coherent political commitment, ii) more investments in R&I, spin off/start up, education, training, communication (public engagement), iii) new and better tailored policies; iv) a better coordination between regional, national and EU stakeholders/policies, and v) tailored market development actions.

### **Objective:**

Increase Italian Bioeconomy turnover and jobs by 20% by 2030.



### **Tools for boosting IT Bioeconomy**





Cluster
tecnologico
nazionale Blue
Growth BIG

#### Mission & actions:

- □Integrate major national public and private actors of the sector;
- □ Identification of main regional & national R&I needs and opportunities;
- □ Promotion of indentified priorities/needs towards regional, national and EU institutions funding R&I;
- □ Promotion of partnerships and the participation of public R&I institutions, industry and associations in regional (PNR, FESR, FSE, etc.) national and EU (Horizon 2020, BBI JU, JPIs) agendas/programs for R&I, by reducing fragmentation and duplication, and fostering effective innovation.



### **Bioeconomy: one of the Societal Challenges**

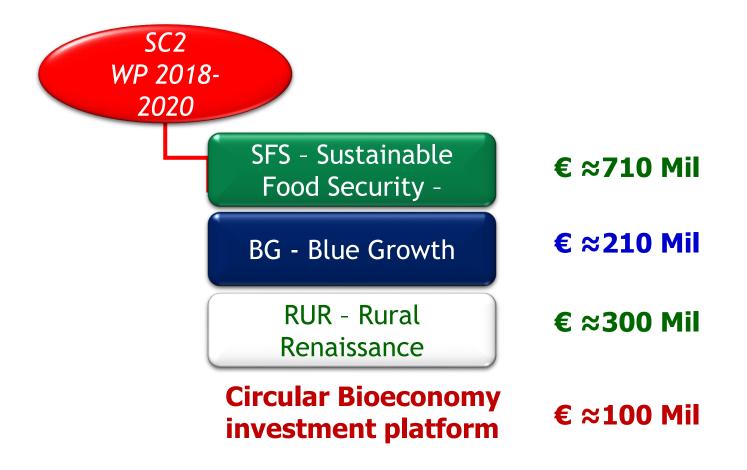




Tackling societal challenges for a better society

- 1. Health, demographic change and wellbeing (7.472 Bln)
- 2. Food security, sustainable agriculture and forestry, marine and maritime and inland water research, and the bioeconomy (3.851 Bln)
- 3. Secure, clean and efficient energy (5.931 Bln)
- 4. Smart, green and integrated transport (6.339 Bln)
- 5. Climate action, resource efficiency and raw materials (3.081 Bln)
- 6. Inclusive, innovative and reflective societies (1.310 Bln)
- 7. Secure societies (1.695 Bln)

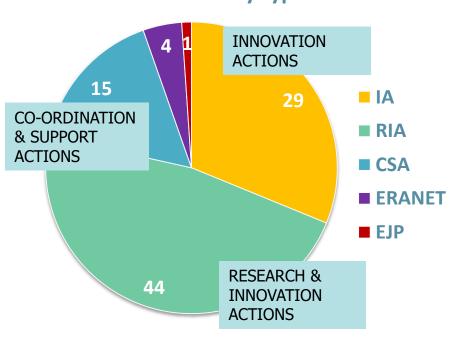
# Societal Challenge 2: the new WP 2018-2020



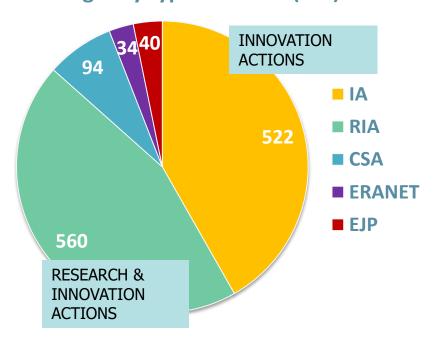
https://ec.europa.eu/programmes/horizon2020/en/what-work-programme

# SC2 WP2018-2020: close to market actions vs investment in new knowledge

#### Number of actions by type of action



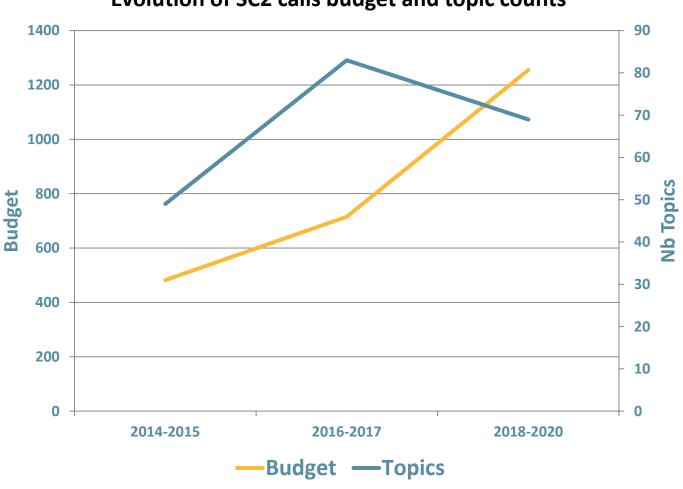
#### Budget by type of action (M€)





# SC2 WP2018-2020: more budget and less topics, more projects funded

#### **Evolution of SC2 calls budget and topic counts**





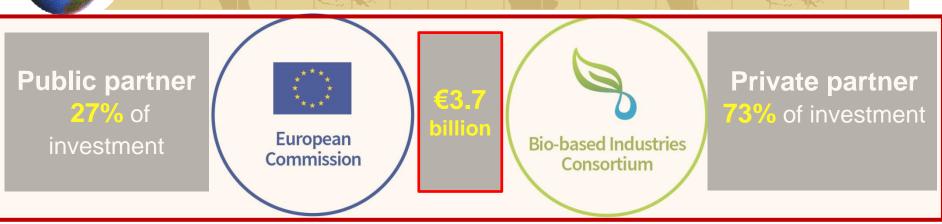
Supported by



Bio based Industries
Consortium



### The BBI JU: structure and priorities

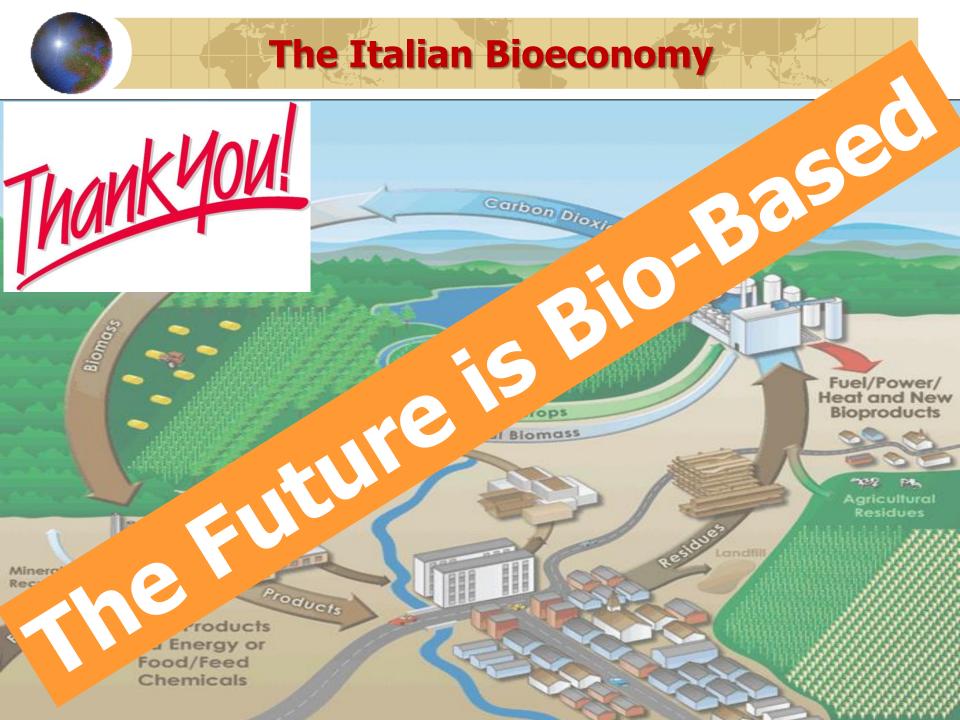


A structured approach via 5 Value Chains (VC)...

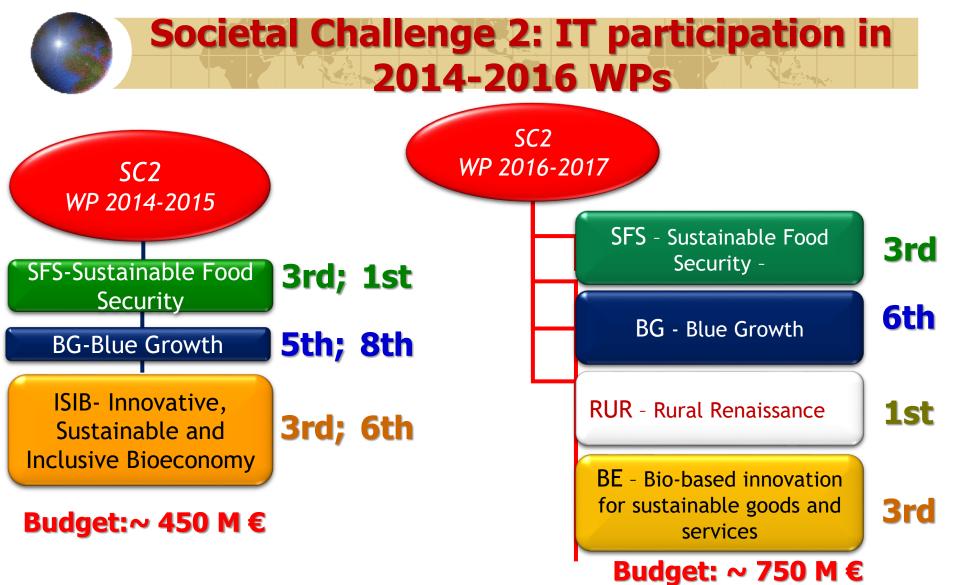
- VC 1: From *lignocellulosic* feedstock to advanced biofuels, bio-based chemicals & biomaterials
- VC 2: Next generation forest-based value chains
- VC 3: Next generation agro-based value chains
- VC 4: New value chains from (organic) waste
- <u>VC 5:</u> *Integrated* energy, pulp and chemicals biorefineries

and a marine bioresource exploitation value chain is coming...

**BBI JU WP2018 WILL BE PUBLISHED IN APRIL 2018** 







2014 2015 2016
Success rate (%) 16,1 17,3 37,4
Ranking 4th 3th 3th



### IT participation in BBI JU calls 2014-16

