

### What is EBIC and why is it important?

EBIC represents the plant biostimulant industry in Brussels and beyond. We advocate for biostimulants, making your voice heard within EU institutions. Working closely with allied associations in the EU and member states, our mission is to ensure biostimulant technologies are valued as integral to sustainable agriculture, whilst securing a fair regulatory framework for all.

The inclusion of biostimulants in the EU Fertilising Products Regulation was a milestone achievement for EBIC. However, there remain some regulatory obstacles which EBIC is working to address on behalf of members. Our ability to influence the operating environment and regulatory framework is key to EBIC's value to members, who benefit from advance knowledge of emerging issues.



Arne Pingel, EBIC President

### A message from our President

Without EBIC, the opportunities for biostimulants in Europe would be significantly fewer. From helping define the term 'biostimulants' to achieving recognition in law, EBIC has driven progress.

This is a pivotal time for our industry. EBIC's regulatory work will stay at the core of our remit, until all technologies have access to the European market, but we must also focus on how we can help our industry in other ways. For biostimulants to capitalise on the achievements so far, we need an environment that promotes innovation and creates demand for our products.

We have a unique opportunity to position plant biostimulants as a solution to sustainable agriculture, strengthen relationships with Farm to Fork stakeholders and extend our geographic reach to create market prospects beyond Europe.

I am delighted to be President of EBIC for 2024 and hope you will join us. The benefits of EBIC membership are many and varied, but the biggest satisfaction will come for us all from the progress we make in moving our industry forward for everyone. Remember it is only by working together that we will achieve success.

## How does EBIC work?

EBIC welcomes organisations\* involved in biostimulant production in Europe that are interested in co-operating in areas of common interest. Our members are forward thinking companies committed to developing opportunities for all. Members are to involve themselves in whichever aspects of our work are relevant and important to them.

Every position in the EBIC governance structure is held by an EBIC member. The Board of Directors is elected from the membership and supported by a professional secretariat. The mid-term strategy (MTS) is developed by the Board in conjunction with the membership and sets out EBIC's goals and the activities required to achieve them. It is implemented by the MTS Steering Group which co-ordinates the workplan with a series of project teams.

\* For eligibility requirements please visit our website.

### The General Assembly

All EBIC members are part of the general assembly.

### The Board

Provides strategic direction and oversees the fulfilment of the mid-term strategy.

**Arne Pingel**, President (Rovensa Next)

**David Hiltz**, Director-at-large (Acadian)

**Carlos Rodríguez-Villa Förster**,  
Vice-President (AlgaEnergy)

**Thomas Leppin**, Director-at-large  
(Compo Expert)

**Massimo Toni**, Treasurer  
(Agronutrition)

**Alice Toderi**, Director-at-large  
(Hello Nature)

### The MTS Steering Group

Co-Chairs Céline Durieu and Antonis Angeletakis

Co-Leaders of each project team (14 in total)

### Project Teams

Working on current, business-critical issues affecting members.

Farm  
to Fork

Agronomy

Microbials

Phosphites

Animal  
By-Products

Claims

REACH+

### EBIC Code of Conduct

EBIC members are asked to commit to a code of conduct which offers transparency to farmers using plant biostimulants, allowing them to make informed decisions about the benefits that biostimulants may bring to their crop management systems. This commitment protects the reputation of our industry by ensuring that all claims are based in science and that members follow best practice in production, distribution and commercialisation of their products.

Read the code of conduct on our website.



## Join EBIC now to take advantage of exceptional membership benefits and opportunities.

EBIC is the trade association for those involved in the production\* of plant biostimulants in Europe. Our membership includes some of the industry's leading companies and organisations, working together to improve the regulatory landscape and commercial prospects for biostimulants.

One of the key benefits of membership is the ability to influence the direction of travel for the industry, providing strategic advantage as well as commercial opportunity. When you join EBIC, your business will become part of the most progressive and successful trade association in agriculture.

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### EBIC provides

- A strong voice representing you during policymaking and placing biostimulants at the centre of sustainable agriculture
- Early intelligence on regulatory developments and what they mean for you and your business
- A forum to discuss common issues, best practices and to develop joint, strategic positions, guided by skilled facilitators
- A library of regulatory and technical resources on biostimulants
- Reputational credibility through association with the EBIC Code of Conduct and adoption of best practices
- An opportunity to shape the plant biostimulant industry's future.

### Exclusive events

EBIC runs a full programme of events for members, ranging from advocacy webinars and issues workshops to high profile conferences and General Assemblies. Members also have privileged access to the annual Biostimulants World Congress, which in 2024 will take place in Miami on 13 - 15 November.

Designed to inform, educate and engage, these events provide key opportunities for members to gain value from their EBIC membership as well as the chance to network with colleagues, peers and industry experts. For a full list of events visit our website but key highlights include:

#### Advocacy Webinars

These popular events keep members in touch with current developments and their implications for your business, bringing you in direct contact with policymakers.



#### Issues Workshops

These regular meetings focus on immediate issues and how EBIC can help resolve them.

#### Expert Forum

An opportunity to discuss EBIC's activities and how they deliver against members' needs.

#### High-Level Summit

This high-level conference is aimed at business leaders and focuses on issues at food-system level. Members have the opportunity to discuss the future of sustainable agriculture, the food supply chain and business strategies to take advantage of current and future market opportunities. In 2024, the High Level Summit will take place in Brussels on 13th June. Visit [www.EBICsummit.com](http://www.EBICsummit.com) for more details.

#### Mid-Term-Strategy Forum

Our annual event focusing on medium to long term goals for the industry.

Join EBIC now to be involved in the future regulatory  
and business environment for plant biostimulants.

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### Current members

- Acadian Plant Health
- Agrauxine by Lesaffre
- Agri Sciences Biologicals
- Agritecno Fertilizantes
- Agrolaboratorios Nutricionales
- Agronutrition
- Alfarin
- AlgaEnergy
- Apha.Bio
- Arevo
- Arysta LifeScience (part of UPL)
- Atlántica Agrícola
- BASF
- Bayer CropScience
- BCF Life Sciences
- BioAtlantis
- Bioceres Crop Solutions
- Biocontrol Technologies
- Bioibérica
- Biolchim
- Bioversio
- Biovert
- BluePlanet Labs
- Brandon Bioscience
- CFPR Roullier
- Chemia
- Citymax
- Compo Expert
- Corteva Agriscience
- Daymsa
- Éléphant Vert
- EVYP
- Fytekco
- Grabi Chemical
- Green Has Italia
- Green Universe Agriculture
- Hello Nature
- Humofert
- ICL Group
- Ilex EnviroSciences
- Ilsa
- IntraCrop
- Koppert
- L.Gobbi
- Lallemand Plant Care
- MAFA Bioscience
- Maxstim
- Ocean Knowledge
- OCP
- Olmix
- Plant Designs
- Productos Labin
- Raison
- Roquette
- Rovensa Next
- SBM Développement
- SICIT Group
- Sofbey-Sipcam Oxon
- SOFRAPAR
- Stam Agro
- Stoller Europe
- SugaROx
- Sumitomo Chemical
- Syngenta
- TBIO Crop Science
- Tilco-Alginure
- Unium Bioscience
- Valagro
- Verdesian Life Sciences
- Yara International