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# The Global Bioeconomy Summit and the International Advisory Committee on Global Bioeconomy

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#### **About the IACGB**

#### IACGB – International Council on Global Bioeconomy:

- An independent Think Tank for Global Bioeconomy
- Established in 2015 with support from the German Government.
- Comprises about 40 high-level bioeconomy leaders and experts from all hemispheres, representing different backgrounds and expertise.
  - Currently discussing ways to partner with non government alliances and networks that work internationally building bioeconomy structures, projects, education and communication.
- Hosts the Global Bioeconomy Summit (GBS) series = a platform for international collaboration and mutual exchange with diverse stakeholders from policy, science, civil society and business sector.



https://www.iacgb.net





### **IACGB** convenes the Global Bioeconomy Summit

IACGB initiates, designs and organises the Global Bioeconomy Summit (GBS), which has convened since 2015.

- GBS is a leading forum for exchange & discussion of recent developments for bioeconomy worldwide.
- GBS 2015, GBS 2018, GBS 2020 (virtual) were held in Berlin, German
- GBS 2024 was held in Nairobi, Kenya in Africa (https://gbs2024.org)



- GBS 2026 will be held in Dublin, Ireland in October 2026.
  - · Will focus on "Bioeconomy for Socio-Economic Transformation and Climate Action"

\*Communiques are issued for every Summit (since GBS 2024 now include Youth Communique as well) – discusses the current and future state of the bioeconomy and recommendations for actions to advance the global bioeconomy.







#### **IACGB Partnership for Global Bioeconomy**

- A Platform to build global cooperation for impact: representing nongovernmental clusters of people shaping the Bioeconomy: its activity and policy.
- Platform session in future Global Bioeconomy Summit series (GBS).
- Currently agreed, others in discussion:

















## IACGB & GBS Support Youth Champions in Bioeconomy









#### **Looking into the Future**

 IACGB and GBS have emerged as leading platforms for international collaboration to advance the global bioeconomy.









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# Thank you