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HORIZON 2020: The best approach for Biobased Industries

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Speakers will include:

- **Maíre Geoghegan-Quinn**, European Commissioner for Research & Innovation
- **Marie Donnelly**, Director for new and renewable sources of energy, DG Energy, European Commission
- **Lars Hansen**, President Region Europe, Novozymes
- **David Baldock**, Executive Director, Institute for European Environmental Policy (IEEP)

The biobased vision is for a competitive, innovative and sustainable Europe: leading the transition towards a post-petroleum society while decoupling economic growth from resource depletion and environmental impact.

In this vision, the biobased industries will optimize land use and food security through a sustainable, resource-efficient and largely waste-free utilisation of Europe's renewable raw materials for industrial processing into a wide array of biobased products, from advanced biofuels to biomaterials.

In the context of the European Parliament discussions on Horizon 2020 and the Bioeconomy Strategy, this event will provide a unique opportunity to debate the research and innovation potential of biobased industries in order to accelerate the development of the biobased economy in Europe.