



Hello network!

We are happy to welcome both old and new readers to our quarterly newsletter! The purpose of this letter is to keep you updated on what is happening across the network and to share relevant topics. Don't hesitate to contact us with any input or ideas on what to highlight here!

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Breakfast mingle March 25, 10-10:45 CET

At this virtual event, you will get to know our new testbed members: [SINTEF ACE](#) and [DIGIRAS](#), and have the chance to mingle with others engaged in digitalising the Nordic and Baltic bioeconomy.

The event will start with a 15-minute interview, followed by a mingle for members wishing to get to know each other more and discuss interesting topics.



[Sign up here](#)

Save the dates: Virtual event June 9 and physical event October 6

We are currently gathering valuable input from our testbed members regarding the challenges of testbeds and how the network and policymakers can provide support to innovation. The month of June will be the occasion to meet again and discuss relevant topics.

We will also take the advantage of this moment together to communicate about our physical event this autumn. Make sure to save the dates and join us for yet another interactive event!



[Meanwhile, curious about our previous events?](#)

We are welcoming two new testbeds to the network

We are happy to introduce you to [SINTEF ACE](#) and [DIGIRAS](#), two testbeds active in the intersection between digitalisation and the blue bioeconomy. We got the chance to talk to Deni Ribicic and Finn Olav Bjørnson, contact persons for the two testbeds.

What would you like to contribute to the network?

– We would like to offer the perspective of the aquaculture industry and its particular challenges relating to digitalisation.

Photo: SINTEF ACE (credit: Magnus Oshaug Pedersen, SINTEF Ocean)



[Read the full interview here!](#)

Respond to the survey: Knowledge barriers in the innovation process

As a part of her PhD project, Inese Suija–Markova from Riga Technical University and Institute for Environmental Solutions is carrying out an international survey about the knowledge barriers in the innovation process aimed at the private



businesses as well as public sector and non-governmental organisations.

The goal of her doctoral thesis is to develop a method for dissolving knowledge boundaries in the innovation process with the help of different knowledge transfer instruments. Don't hesitate to [contact Inese](#) if you have any questions.

[Respond to the survey here](#)

Join BioTalks webinar on farm management March 25, 09:00 CET

Sustainable food production (financial and ecological) can be achieved with profitable farming. The key element of profitable farming is good management – like in any enterprise. Managing resources, such as time and cost, are main components of profitable farming. Learn more about this in the next BioTalks webinar!



[More information and registration](#)

An outreach for co-creation, data sharing and demonstration

In 2020, due to minimal traveling costs caused by Covid-19, we invited all testbeds members to provide ideas for relevant activities, which the network could fund. [Alovivum](#) was one of the testbeds that was granted funding. Their initiative involved an outreach of the testbed for co-creation, data sharing and demonstration. We asked Henrik Hedlund what results they have accomplished as part of the project:

“The results relate to setting up a data structure with ability to meet the main objectives to provide well-known and standardised measures and metrics for different kind of horticulture production and, in our case, using water gardening and hydroculture cultivation platforms in farm buildings.”



[Learn more about Alovivum's work](#)

Thank you to all testbed members providing us with your input

To make sure that the network stays relevant and that the activities organised are of value to our members, we have started the year with conducting interviews with our testbed members. Thank you to all participating in the interviews, as well as to those who responded to our web survey in December/January!



[Do you have additional ideas? Get in touch!](#)

Get in contact

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