SELECTED VALUE CHAINS TO BE ANALYSED AS CASE STUDIES

- PLA intermediates and foam for construction works on the basis of sugar and starch
- Building blocks for bio-based plastics processed from vegetable oils
- Pine chemicals from wood and forestry by-products
- Succinic acid from starch
- Packaging based on wood and starch derivatives
- Biorefining cellulotic fibres into diverse lignin-based components
- Oleochemical products, mainly metal soaps for industrial applications, especially plastic additives

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**OBJECTIVES OF STAR4BBI:**

- To support adaption of the regulatory framework and of relevant standards for selected existing value chains
- To propose simple and applicable regulatory alternatives that facilitate investments in existing and new bio-based value chains with the result to increase the market uptake of bio-based products and processes from forests, from agriculture and from organic waste
- To promote a level playing field for bio-based products

**EXPECTED IMPACTS:**

- To contribute to an improved access to market, access to feedstock of bio-based products and thereby the achievement of a shorter time to market for bio-based products and materials
- Contribute to more coherent policy environment, better interrelations between regional, national, EU and global bioeconomy policies
- Contribute to the removal of barriers to investments to grow towards a bioeconomy, for example link to waste legislation
- New standards providing increased commonality between different bio-based industrial sectors
- Commonly agreed vocabulary throughout value chains, from feedstock suppliers to biorefining to downstream actors in the application sectors

**START date:**
01 September 2016

**End date:**
31 August 2019

**WHO WILL BENEFIT FROM THE PROJECT?**

- Companies and suppliers to a variety of bio-based product value chains
- Policy makers at European, national, regional and local level
- Standardization experts and those requiring standards or certificates

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