

## Presentation of project results and discussion with regional stakeholders in Brandenburg / Germany- 16. Brandenburg Wood Energy Day (27/08/2020 in Bloischdorf)

The workshop was co-organized and presented by Mike Lange, member of the Research Group Transport Logistics at TH Wildau and currently working in the project Baltic ForBio. The workshop was held in the village Bloischdorf in southern Brandenburg. The area is characterized by extensive open cut mining of brown coal and newly shaped landscapes on former mining areas. Due to the Coronavirus pandemic, compliance with hygiene regulations was compulsory. Nearly 40 participants attended including political leaders, companies and stakeholders. The event was organized together with the Chamber of Industry and Commerce Eastern Brandenburg, the Economic Region Lausitz, and the Association for Landscape Management Spree-Neiße. Presentations were held by scientists and experts followed by an extensive panel discussion about the future development of wood energy. The regional Baltic ForBio partners Castle Property Altlandsberg and the Brandenburg Ministry for Agriculture, Environment and Climate Protection (formerly Brandenburg Ministry of Rural Development, Environment and Agriculture) informed about current developments and project results.



*Participant of the 16. Brandenburg Wood Energy Day in Bloischdorf*

*Photo: Mike Lange*

*Sabine Blossey*, specialist from the Brandenburg Ministry for Agriculture, Environment and Climate Protection underlined the importance of the ["Year of Science in Bioeconomy"](#) for biomass based value creation in the land of Brandenburg. According to her, it helped to put bioeconomy and sustainability back on Brandenburg's political agenda.

Castle Property Altlandsberg (*Stephen Ruebsam*) informed about progress and results of project work in GA 5.2. The case study and good practice example Altlandsberg shows the connection between and mutual effect of sustainable forestry, bioenergy production and touristic development. Stephen Ruebsam underlined especially the importance of local wood fuel procurement and stable relations to suppliers to ensure high quality and stable wood fuel supply.

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TH Wildau (*Mike Lange, Mareike Schultze*) informed about the progress in Baltic ForBio and presented their concept for training and information during the last project period and after the end of the project (publication of manual about cost-efficient and sustainable wood energy harvesting (GA2.2), bioenergy production (GA 5.3), and the test of training programmes with students during international webinars (GA2.3)).

Furthermore, experts from Potsdam Institute for Climate Impact Research (PIK, *Dr. Frank Wechsung*), FH Erfurt – University of Applied Sciences (*Prof. Dr. Dirk Landgraf*) and Brandenburg University of Technology (*Dr. Christian Böhm*) informed about current research in the fields of climate change and agroforestry.

Wood energy as transition technology during decarbonisation phase, climate change and use of increased timber quantity after calamities (storms, insects) were important topics during the following panel discussion.

*Further information and access to presentations:* [www.th-wildau.de/balticforbio](http://www.th-wildau.de/balticforbio)

*Presentations:* <https://www.eti-brandenburg.de/ergebnisse-des-16-brandenburger-energieholztages/>