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GLOBAL SUMMIT

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Advancing Sustainable Forest-based Bioeconomy Approaches

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📍 Schönbrunn Palace, Vienna, Austria | hybrid

Austria is hosting a Country-Led Initiative on Advancing Sustainable Forest-based Bioeconomy Approaches, which will be convened as Global Summit. The Global Summit is part of the overarching COLI process. The outcomes of the Global Summit will be presented at the 21st Session of the United Nations Forum on Forest and 28th Session of FAO's Committee on Forestry.

Programme Highlights

High-Level Session - Business Talk - Science Talk - Field Trips

Policy meets practice

Sourcing wealth and financing opportunities

Building the future with wood

Forest potentials beyond wood

Advancing forest-based value chains

Growing forest-based innovations

Objectives

Assess the current state of sustainable forest-based bioeconomy approaches worldwide |
define key priorities | identify strategic actions and next steps to enhance the forest-based bioeconomy

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