

Manifesto on the bio-based economy

The contours of a bio-based economy – an economy that is based on renewable resources – are becoming ever clearer. Industry and civil society organizations in the Netherlands have come together to formulate a common approach to this important development and, wherever possible, form alliances to promote the transition towards a bio-based economy. In th-

- i. The international trade market needs to be supported by installing balanced and harmonized laws and regulations, including binding sustainability criteria;
- j. Human rights are a prerequisite for a bio-based economy; it needs to be guaranteed that all stakeholders in the bio-based economy can contribute to this transition effectively and with dignity;
- k. Productivity needs to be improved: soil, nutrients, water, capital (machinery, investments)

to be open to and contribute to initiatives that are born out of our