



Sustainable Materials Networking Event

October 15, 2015

The Blackwell Inn and Conference Center, The Ohio State University

OBIC is excited to announce our next quarterly bioproduct networking event for Thursday, October 15, 2015 on the theme "Sustainable Materials". The program will take place at The Blackwell Inn and Conference Center, 2110 Tuttle Park Pl, on the Columbus campus of The Ohio State University.

Program highlights include:

- A preview of major federal program initiatives to grow our Billion Ton Bioeconomy by Dr. Valerie Reed, Senior Advisor for Bioenergy, USDA as well as Deputy Director of the Bioenergy Technology Office, USDOE
- Announcement of Ohio State University's newly launched "Sustainable and Resilient Economy" Discovery Theme
- Business perspectives on "Sustainable Materials" by Ashland, DuPont, and Sherwin Williams
- PLUS, your 60-second introduction and great networking opportunities

Dr. Reed's presentation is especially important for academic and industrial collaborators that would like to access federal funding to expedite their bioproduct commercialization initiative as USDA and USDOE will be releasing a new round of Funding Opportunity Announcements (FOA) related to their bioeconomy objectives. OBN members will want to build network relationships to successfully attract these supplemental funds.

Registration Procedure:

The workshop will be limited to 100 participants. **OBN members** are invited to participate and extend this invitation to others within your company. To register to attendance (free of charge), please email us at bioproducts@osu.edu.

Non-OBN members are also invited, but a \$150/ person registration will be charged. [REGISTER NOW via this link!](#)

Again, participation will be limited to the first 100 individuals so take action today to register for your company's involvement.

Future Events:

OBN members are also encouraged to place a hold on the calendar for future Bioproduct Networking events. Workshops are being planned for Thursday, March 3, 2016 and Thursday, June 16, 2016. OBIC is also considering a joint event with European and west coast collaborators as part of the April 17-20, 2016 World Congress on Industrial Biotechnology in San Diego, CA.