

# Carbon dioxide and biobased chemistries for producing greener polymers and organics

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| Time          | Wednesday 10/09   | Thursday 11/09/2025   |
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| 8.30 – 9.00   |   | Welcome/Coffee  |
| 9.00 – 9.10   | <b>Introduction Day 1: Bio-/CO<sub>2</sub>-based polymers and recycling</b>   | <b>Introduction Day 2: CO<sub>2</sub>, biobased and flow chemistry</b>  |
| 9.10 – 10.10  | <b>From Robustness to the Chemical Degradation and Reconversion of Vinyl Polymers</b>   Prof. Daniel Taton (University of Bordeaux)                                   | <b>Advanced-flow reactors: assets, challenges and industrial cases</b><br>Dr. Guillaume Gauron (Corning AFR)  |
| 10.10 – 11.10 | <b>Covalent adaptable networks – a new avenue towards recyclable thermoset polymers</b><br>Prof. Maarten Smulders (University of Wageningen)                          | <b>Bi-functional heterogeneous catalysts for the valorization of CO<sub>2</sub>: structure-activity correlation unveiled via in-depth characterization at solid state</b><br>Prof. Carmela Aprile (University of Namur) |
| 11.10 – 11.30 |   | Break   |
| 11.30 – 12.30 | <b>CO<sub>2</sub>-based exovinylene cyclic carbonates: versatile building blocks for polymers and advanced materials design</b>   Dr. Bruno Grignard (Univ. of Liege) | <b>Multi-functional heterogeneous (bio)catalysts for biomass upgrading</b><br>Prof. Damien Debecker (Catholic University Louvain)   |
| 12.30 – 14.00 |   | Lunch ( <i>not included</i> )   |
| 14.00 – 15.00 | <b>CO<sub>2</sub>-based non-isocyanate polyurethanes as biomaterials</b><br>Prof. Christine Jérôme (University of Liège)  | <b>From lignocellulose-derived guaiacols to specialty &amp; fine chemicals</b><br>Prof. Bert Maes (University of Antwerp)   |
| 15.00 – 16.00 | <b>Valorisation of CO<sub>2</sub> waste streams into polyester for a sustainable circular industry</b>   Dr. Benoît Illy (Fairbrics)                                  | <b>Life Cycle Assessment, a tool for checking the environmental relevance of green innovation</b>   Dr. Olivier Talon (MateriaNova)   |
| 16.00 – 16.30 |   | Break   |
| 16.30 – 17.30 | <b>Scientific writing</b><br>Dr. Diana Silva (University of Liege)  | <b>Preparation of competitive CV and grants</b><br>Dr. Diana Silva (University of Liege)  |
| 17.30-18.30   | -   | <b>Artificial intelligence</b><br>Dr. Pauline Bianchi (UCLA)  |