

Biokenaf

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Second technical meeting
Athens 23 & 24/10/03

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Objectives of this meeting

The objectives of this meeting are to:

- Review the work done to date that is mainly referring to the WP2.
- Discuss about the problems experienced and the solutions sought
- Report on the achievements, milestones and deliverables of this reporting period
- Plan the work for the next 6 months



Work that was done in the first months of the project

WP1: Coordination

- Organization of the kick-off meeting and distribution of the relative minutes.
- Updating the work plan that defines the work to be completed, the protocol of the tasks, the responsibilities of the partners and the milestones.
- Presentation of the project objectives in the International South Europe Symposium "Non-food crops: From agriculture to industry" (Bologna, 15-16/5/2003).
- Distribution of the advanced payment to the partners.
- Preparation of a literature review about kenaf.
- Distribution to the partners working on WP2 of the kenaf seed.
- Preparation of an abstract that will present the project in the next Biomass Conference that will take place in Rome (11-15/5/04).
- Organization of the second technical meeting that will take place in Athens 23 & 24/10/03.



Work that was done in the first months of the project

WP2. Adaptability and productivity trials

- A total number of 16 kenaf field trials were established by CRES, UTH, University of Catania, UNIBO, CETA, INIA, UnoNOVA and INRA in five EU countries (Greece, Italy, Spain, Portugal and France).
- A large number of measurements and harvests have been done and the results that have already collected and evaluated are going to be presented today.



Work that was done in the first months of the project

WP3, WP4, WP5, WP6, WP7

- Questionnaires have been prepared from the WPladers (UTH, CETA, ATO, UniNOVA and ADAS) and are going to be presented today.



Deliverables

	Deliverables	Deliverable time
D1	Updated timetable	2
D2	Link establishment with AKS	3
D3	Detailed literature review for kenaf	3
D4	Protocols for all field trials	3
D5	First final report and minutes for the project meetings	13
D6	Second final report and minutes for the project meetings	25
D7	Data collection for the growth model	6-36



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D8	List with the appropriate cultivation techniques	36
D9	Third year report and minutes for the project meetings	37
D10	List of appropriate harvesting dates and methods	12-38
D11	A dynamic growth model and biomass production simulation model	42
D12	Technical specifications of kenaf based products for selected industrial uses	12-40



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D13	Economic characteristics and market perspectives for the industrial products	12-40
D14	Quality characteristics and energy potential of kenaf as a biofuels for thermo chemical processes	12-40
D15	Environmental impact assessment and LCA	39
D16	Cost analysis	40
D17	Economic comparison of kenaf with other annual crops	40



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D18	Seminars for the dissemination of the demo fields in Greece, Italy and Spain	36-40
D19	Technical visits for farmers in the 2 ha fields	
D20	Handbook	42
D21	Booklet	40
D22	Papers in European and International conferences and journals	42
D23	Final report	42



Actions to be done in the next six months	Delivery date
To decide about the harvesting and storage of kenaf (CETA, CRES).	Now
To put data in the questionnaires about the growth model (WP3), the environmental analysis of kenaf (WP6) and economic analysis (WP7).	28/2/04
To decide at which age of the crop and in which quantity ATO and BTG needs the raw material of kenaf.	now
To prepare the first year report for the period 1/4/03 to 31/3/04.	31/3/04
To prepare the cost statement for the same period.	31/3/04



Actions to be done in the next six months	Delivery date
To update the first draft of the literature review by including the data that will be collected in the first year of the project.	31/3/04
To buy seed for the trials of the second year (CRES) and to distribute it to the partners of WP2.	31/3/04
To prepare the papers that will be presented in next Biomass Conference in Rome (11-15/5/03).	8/5/04
To prepare the next technical meeting in Rome in the framework of the Biomass Conference.	8/5/04

