



## **PRESS RELEASE**

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### **Lithuanian Bioenergy experts visit Sweden**

*WBA and LITBIOMA organize a 2-day mission trip for delegates from Lithuania to Sweden*

World Bioenergy Association (WBA) is pleased to welcome an expert delegation from the Scientific and Technical Council, Lithuania to Sweden. The council was founded by the Lithuanian Biomass Energy Association (LITBIOMA). The aim of the study trip was to understand the best practices in Sweden on bioenergy topics like short rotation forestry, district heating systems, ash management and utilization of bioenergy in electricity and transport.

*“It is part of WBA mission to organize such study trips for delegates from different parts of the world to increase knowledge and technology transfer. It was a very informative session for the delegates and I hope that the experience they gained will lead to a better collaboration between Sweden and Lithuania in the bioenergy sector” – Remigijus Lapinskas, President, WBA*

The delegation included company representatives from WBA official supporter – Enerstena Group of Companies. It also included representatives from companies, research institutes on agriculture and forestry, universities, confederation of renewable sources, and associations.

*“We want to thank WBA one more time for helping to organize this interesting study tour. LITBIOMA’s Scientific and Technical Council not only gained useful knowledge about good practices Sweden has but also established good contacts with companies and SLU University. This might possibly be a very good beginning for further long lasting cooperation” – Vilma Gaubyte, Director, LITBIOMA*

*“Lithuania and other Baltic states have great potential for bioenergy development. However, there are certain challenges and I hope the delegates have gained a better understanding of the solutions available in the Swedish market” – Karin Haara, Executive Director, WBA*

WBA would like to express its gratitude to our Swedish organizations who assisted in the study trip:

- Energiaskor AB
- Svebio
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- Ena Kraft CHP
- SLU Uppsala

The program is available to download here: [Link](#)

Photos from the study trip are available here: [Link](#)

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### About the WBA

*The World Bioenergy Association (WBA) is the global organization dedicated to supporting and representing the wide range of actors in the bioenergy sector. Its members include national and regional bioenergy organizations, institutions, companies and individuals.*

*The purpose of WBA is to promote the increasing utilization of bioenergy globally in an efficient, sustainable, economic and environmentally friendly way.*

*Since its foundation in May 2008, WBA has been working to address a number of promising issues including certification, sustainability, standardization, bioenergy promotion and debates about bioenergy's impact on food, land use and water supply.*

*For more information, visit [www.worldbioenergy.org](http://www.worldbioenergy.org)*

### About LITBIOMA

*Lithuanian Biomass Energy Association LITBIOMA was established in summer of 2003 and is currently comprised of 54 members. The association involves the producers and suppliers of solid biomass and other renewable local resources, such as wood, straw, energetic willows, peat, as well as the producers and designers of solid biomass boiler rooms and other equipment, developers of plantations and academic institutions. In order to strengthen the strategically important heat and electricity production and solid biomass market in Lithuania, the association is actively collaborating with various public institutions, organizing seminars, conferences, providing help to its members and safeguarding their interests.*