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**EIMA Energy, the exhibition dedicated to biomasses**

***Renewable energies and the circular bio-economy will be in the foreground at the Bologna exhibition centre with the "Energy" show, an open-air demonstration area between halls 35 and 37, where visitors can see machines for processing and treating biomass in action. During the five days of the exhibition, there will also be space for in-depth thematic studies with meetings promoted by the organising partner ITABIA.***

Biomass of agricultural and forestry origin is one of the key themes at EIMA International. The great exhibition of agricultural machinery, scheduled in Bologna from 19 to 23 October, includes a section specifically dedicated to the bioenergy sector and the bio-basedindustry. This is the EIMA Energy exhibition, which occupies a large area of the fairgrounds; an open-air space, between halls 35 and 37, where visitors, industry operators and buyerscan see in action the types of vehicles destined for the rational and economic management of the biomass energy supply chain, from machines for cutting and harvesting woody biomass and agro-industrial waste to systems for transporting material and converting by-products into energy. The issue of the use of renewable sources," explain FederUnacoma and ITABIA (Italian Biomass Association), the organisers of the exhibition, "is extremely interesting today, also because of the importance it has taken on in the European political agenda with the Green Deal and in the national agenda with the Recovery and Resilience Plan (PNRR). The latter includes economic resources to encourage ecological transition through the decarbonisation of production and energy systems. EIMA 2021 is an opportunity not only to showcase the latest technologies for these sectors, but also to illustrate the results of specific research projects in which ITABIA is involved. During the five days of the event, dedicated meetings will illustrate various European and national projects including BRANCHES (H2020) - aimed at making supply chains more efficient and creating new business opportunities in rural areas by strengthening the bio-economy sector - COBRAF (PSR), which aims to develop a system of biorefineries based on oilseed crops in the Tuscany Region - and Capraia Smart Island, an open-air circular economy laboratory. EIMA Energy and all related events are organised in such a way as to guarantee the highest standards of health and safety, even in the outdoor areas. In particular," explain the FederUnacoma organisers, "the frequency and duration of demonstrations will be scheduled to avoid any possible crowding.

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