

# Invitation Symposium

## French incentives to support the biotechnology industry

Friday, the 20th of November, Invest in France Agency Nederland and Niaba will organize a symposium highlighting the attractive French policy incentives to support the biotechnology industry. Biotechnology is a global industry and Europe has to hold it's strong position as an attractive area for R&D and biobased production. Working together within the EU and support for the sector is one of the ways forward to stay ahead of the global competition.

Several speakers will highlight the advantages - or disadvantages - of the French incentives. During this afternoon we will explore further opportunities to work together. The afternoon will be closed with a reception sponsored by Invest in French and Alsace International.

## Programme

- 13.30 uur** Welcome with coffee and tea
- 14.00 uur** Opening by Jan Wisse, Managing Director Niaba
- 14.05 uur** Denis Allard, Subventium  
*'French Research Tax Credit initiative – options for Dutch biotech industry'*
- 14.50 uur** Mw Agnes Legoll, Alsace Biovalley Cluster and Mw. Barbara Meyer, Alsace International  
*'Life sciences in France and the Alsace Biovalley Cluster'*
- 15.30 uur** Coffee break
- 15.45 uur** Jan Raaijmakers, GlaxoSmithKline (invited)  
*'Perspectives from a multinational point of view on national biotech initiatives'*
- 16.10 uur** Ward Mosmuller, DSM  
*'Dutch and French green building blocks for a biobased economy'*
- 16.35 uur** Discussion
- 16.45 uur** Drinks

We are cordially inviting you to participate in this interactive symposium.

The symposium will be held at Corpus in Leiden. Participation is free. For registration please send an email to [degraaf@niaba.nl](mailto:degraaf@niaba.nl). Please do not hesitate to contact Jan Wisse for any questions

With kind regards,  
Jan Wisse, Niaba and Olivier Bouillé, Invest in France Agency Nederland