# Biomass Clusters: Building upon existing Industry

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#### Bioindustrial Innovation Canada

#### Mission

BIC provides critical strategic investment, advice and services to business developers of clean, green and sustainable technologies. Our expertise in commercialization builds a stronger Canada.

#### Vision

 To create jobs and economic value sustainably for Canada

#### Strategic Pillars

- Cluster Builder
- Critical Strategic Investment Fund
- Strong Leader for Commercialization

BIC support comes from;

Agriculture and AgriFood Canada (AAFC)

FedDev, Innovation Science and Economic Development

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#### **CLUSTER CONCEPT**

Michael Porter

A cluster is a geographic concentration of related companies, organizations, and institutions in a particular field that can be present in a region, province, or nation. Clusters arise because they raise a company's productivity, which is influenced by local assets and the presence of like firms, and infrastructure that surrounds it.





#### KEY CONCEPTS

CLUSTERS Increase Productivity and operational Efficiency

CLUSTERS stimulate and enable Innovation

CLUSTERS facilitate
commercialization and
new business formation



Farm Coop to Biomass Processing to Sugars to chemicals to consumer products – the full value chain





## What are Strength Requirements for a Cluster

- Expertise
- Knowledge
- Policy of Commercialization
- Feed stocks (Biomass)
- Supportive Communities
- Focused on Future
- A key Ingredient for success-Everyone on the same train



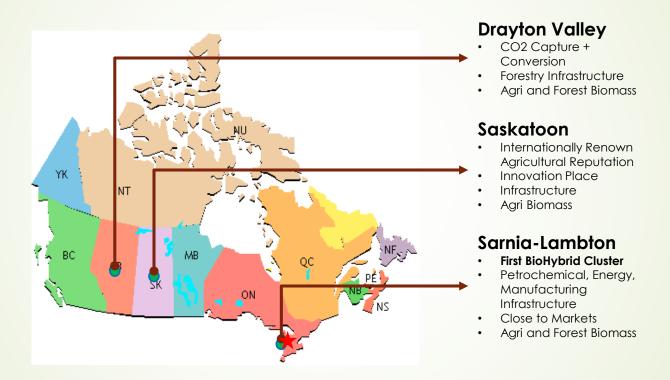






Conversion of existing Industry to the twenty first

Century Industries



Hybrid - Working with and leveraging existing industry and market infrastructure

Other Bioeconmy Clusters Forming Across the Country – Ontario-Thunder Bay; Port Colborne; Johnstown; Alymer; Alberta – Edmonton, Heartland; Manitoba, Winnipeg (Fibres); NS – Liverpool; others in Quebec and BC with forestry focus.

#### The Bioeconomy Cluster Model

#### The Model

- Will vary by location, feedstock, and focus (biochemicals; biomaterials; bioenergy, etc.)
- Will have training for the cluster businesses – College and/or University partners
- Will have access to Innovation and research facilities.
- Will have assistance for site information and development
- Will assist with accessing funding support
- Will have biomass access locally

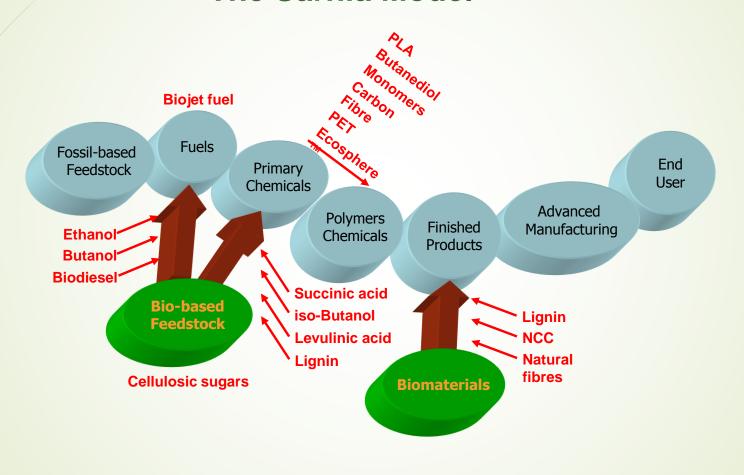
Tapping the Power of Biomass





## Integrating into the Hybrid Chemistry Value Chain The key to growing a sustainable Bioeconomy

#### The Sarnia Model





## SARNIA CLUSTER Story of Necessity

A Petroleum Cluster since 1860

Lead to growth and prosperity.

However in 1990's it became a diminishing workforce

Hence a series of reviews and consultation lead to the decision to establish a green and sustainable cluster around the existing cluster.

Biobased Chemistry for two reasons:

- Maintain
- Build the Future







#### CHANGES DRIVING THE SARNIA CLUSTER

- 1. Changes in the Petroleum and Chemical Industry in North America
  - -Restructuring
  - -Shale gas
  - -Old Facilities and limited expansion
  - -Global Focus on Green and Sustainable
- 2.Climate Change and GHG reduction policies
- 3. Consumer demands for Environmentally Sustainable products
- 4. Innovations are leading the way



#### Sarnia Hybrid Cluster today

#### Fossil Based

- **■** Air Products
- **■**BP Energy
- **■**CF Industries
- **■** DuPont
- **■**Ethyl Corporation
- **■**Exxon-Mobil
- Arlanxeco
- ►NOVA Chemicals
- Pembina
- **■**Praxair
- Royal Dutch Shell
- Styrolution
- **■**Suncor Energy
- ■TransAlta Energy

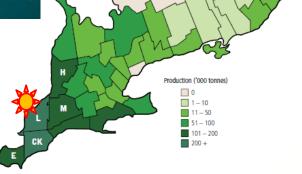


#### **Bio/Renewable Based**

- BioAmber
- Cargill
- Enbridge
- Greenfield Energy
- Biox
- KmX
- SuncorEthanol
- Woodland Biofuels
- Greencore Technologies
- Ubiquity
- Comet

Cellulosic Sugar

•80% of Ontario soybeans and corn within 200km



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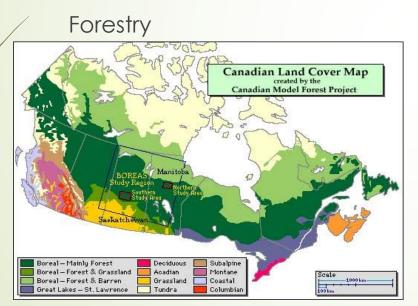
### Companies Are Moving To Locations Of Feedstocks, Large Markets And Capital





## Global Trends Give Canada a Leadership Position

Biomass is the Key Ingredient and Canada has Large amounts of Agricultural and Forestry Biomass



#### Agriculture





# WHY TODAY? CHANGE is a constant in Corn Production-BIOMASS will be part of the future

- 2010 165 bushels
- 1985 102 bushels
- 1960 40 bushels

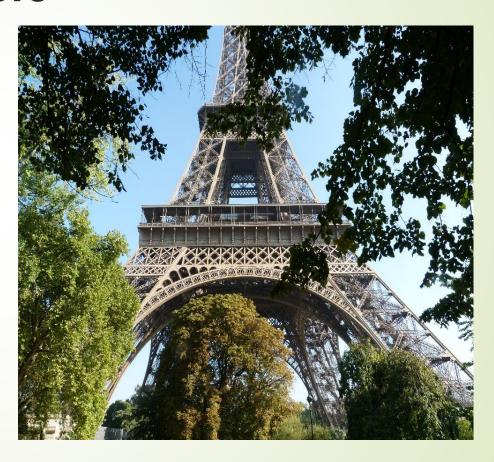




## International Connectivity – a Key to Growth for Clusters

#### **BIC Partnerships**

- -Biobased Delta, Netherlands
  - -CLIB 2021, Germany
  - -Queensland, Australia
- -Michigan Biotechnology Institute, United States
  - -VITO, Belgium
- -Others:Malaysia;South Africa;and Argentina





#### SUMMARY

- CLUSTERS are key to building a Bioeconomy industry in Canada
- Canada has the key ingredients to be a global leader
- Consumers are going o demand the clean technologies and products when priced right.
- Biomass is the key ingredient to produce biofuels and energy, biobased materials, and Biobased chemicals.
- Hybrid clusters a partnership of the old and new will be critical to create success.

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The 21<sup>st</sup> century, one where Canada can take a leadership role.

### Thanks for Listening



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