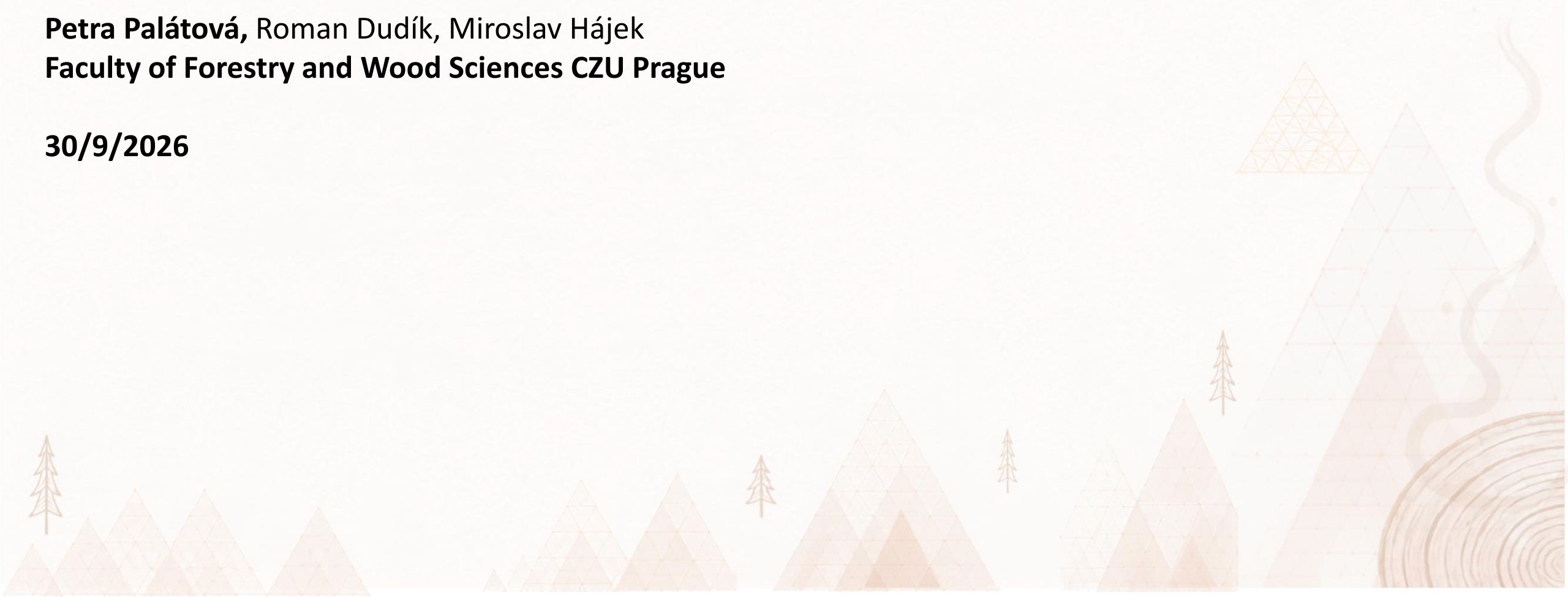


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Background

- Czechia has not yet adopted national bioeconomy strategy
 - Bioeconomy concept (2019) + its evaluation (2025) – Ministry of Agriculture
- No official forest-based bioeconomy definition
- Strong potential of the forest-based sector in bioeconomy (+BIOEAST initiative, projects)
 - Increased attention paid to the utilization of wood (+no „hard“ distinction between bioeconomy and circular economy)
- Different stakeholder involvement in bioeconomy-related activities

Methods

- Literature review (update)
- Document – content analysis
- CEE2ACT project – participatory approach in bioeconomy (CEE2ACT roadmaps)

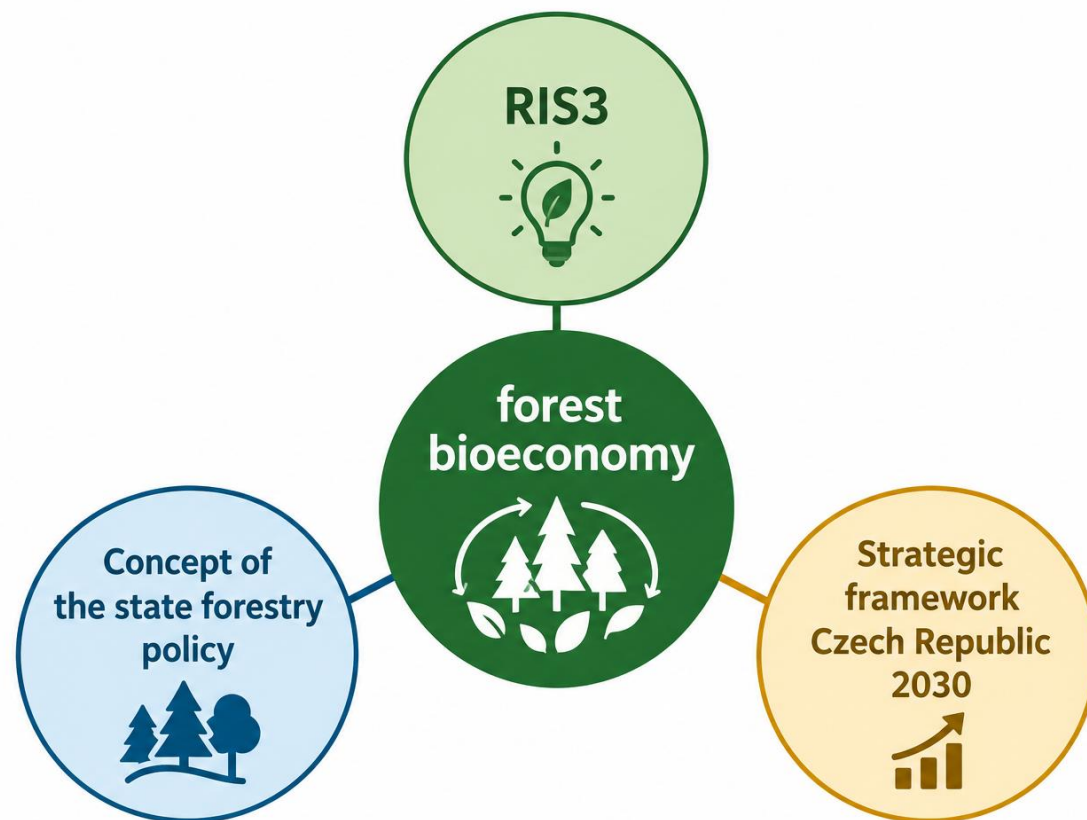


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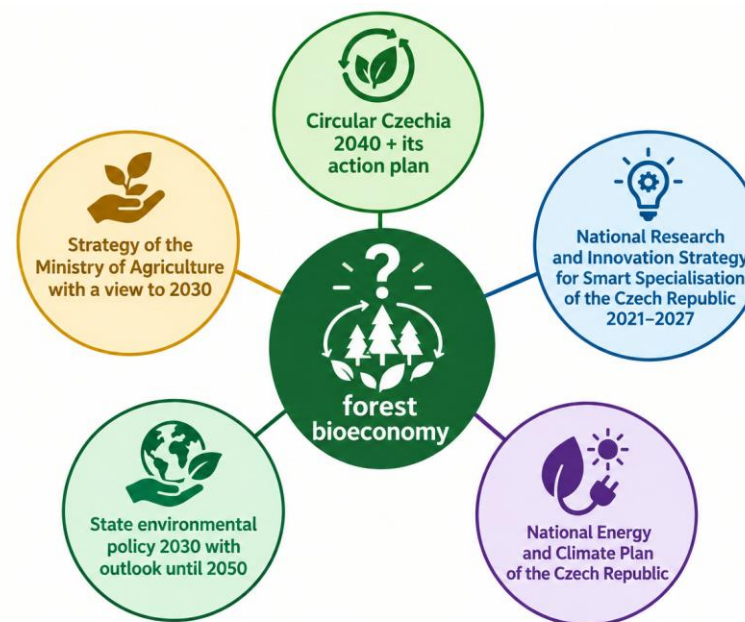


Bioeconomy support to the forest-based sector

RIS3 – yes

Concept of the state forestry policy – yes

Strategic framework – partially



CEE2ACT – Findings from Czechia applicable to the forest-based sector

The bioeconomy means using renewable biological resources from land and sea, like crops, forests, fish, animals and micro-organisms to produce food, materials and energy. The bioeconomy is seeking new ways of producing and consuming resources while respecting our planetary boundaries and moving away from a linear economy, based on extensive use of fossil and mineral resources. It is key to foster a circular and low-carbon economy, creating new local value chains, providing solutions for the current food security and energy independence crisis, while protecting biodiversity and the environment (CEE2ACT).



CHARACTERISTICS

Biomass sources:

- Agricultural crop residues
- Wood and forestry residues
- Food waste

In numbers

3 years	EUR 3.9 million	September 2022
Duration	Budget	Start
17	17	10
Partners	Countries	National Bioeconomy Hubs

STAKEHOLDERS AND MINISTRIES INVOLVED IN THE NATIONAL BIOECONOMY HUB

- National policy makers (Ministries)
- Regions and regional policy bodies
- Clusters
- Universities and research centres
- NGOs and civil society
- Farmer organisations
- Regional initiatives

Conclusion

- Despite no dedicated strategy, the forest-based sector is being supported through bioeconomy measures BUT this support remains „hidden“
- There are many areas in which the forest-based sector can help the bioeconomy and vice-versa
- Bioeconomy measures remain fragmented and implementation faces several barriers, including the lack of finance, lack of motivation and legal issues
- Transfer of GPEs remains limited due to different national context



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Questions?

Thank you for your attention

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