Neutral Supply Chain - Case Study

Support to Research and Field Trials

MultiBioPro

With a strong UK presence, led by Royal Holloway University of London, this was a pan-European research project to develop multipurpose crops for enhanced biomass extractability and valuable bioproducts.

Eleven partners collaborated in the project between Oct 12 and Sep 16. It was funded under the 7th Framework Programme of the European Union, Horizon 2020. MultiBioPro focused on the non-food crops of poplar (*Populus* spp.) and tree tobacco (Nicotiana glauca) as both require little resource input, grow well on marginal soils and do not disrupt food production. Neutral Supply Chain (NSC), working closely alongside the School of Biological



Nicotiana Glauca trial site in the UAE

Sciences at Royal Holloway University of London, played a key role leading the Work Package for growing trials of the two tree types, including

managing and running a challenging trial in the near desert conditions of the UAE. In addition NSC developed outline business cases for potential bio-products, including market testing and key elements of life-cycle analysis. These are all skills to take forward to new Horizon 2020 projects in 2017.





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A viable business plan has been modelled



Business case summary in final report

Benefits

Growing trial delivered in most challenging environmental conditions.

Commercial experience and realities embedded in project business cases.

Successful SME led Work Package in a Horizon 2020 Project.

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