



BiInnovate Africa

Improving lives through sustainable bioinnovations

Who we are

BiInnovate Africa is a regional science and innovation-driven initiative stimulating a bioeconomy in eastern Africa. The initiative is supported by the Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency (Sida), and implemented by International Centre of Insect Physiology and Ecology (*icipe*).



What we do

We support multidisciplinary teams of scientists to co-develop and pilot innovative and economically viable biobased ideas, interventions, and technologies.

We also engage with policy makers to evaluate relevant policy options to promote bioeconomy development in eastern Africa.

Where we work

Burundi, Ethiopia, Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC), Kenya, Rwanda, South Sudan, Tanzania, and Uganda.



Our focus areas



Value addition to agroproduce and related bioresources.



Agro/biowaste conversion in support of environmental sustainability.



Biobased healthcare products



Our mission

We enable scientists at eastern African universities, public research institutes, and private firms to translate biological based ideas and inventions into practical uses in society through appropriate business models. By so doing, we also improve the lives of smallholder farmers and communities.

The change we make



Scientists and the organisations we support build multidisciplinary teams and translate innovative bioscience research ideas, inventions and technologies into innovations that improve people's lives in eastern Africa.

What we offer



Grants for innovative biobased research ideas and technologies with prospects for business and the market.



Bioeconomy policy analysis.



Professional biobusiness incubation and acceleration services.



Our partners

Our in-country partners include scientists who are affiliated with universities, public research institutes, private firms, NGOs, and legally registered farmer and community based organisations, entrepreneurs, as well as policy makers in government.

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