

THE RedBioLAC NETWORK ORGANIZES THE 13^o INTERNATIONAL ONLINE MEETING

The [Biodigesters Network for Latin America and the Caribbean RedBioLAC](#) has just announced that the [13th RedBioLAC International Meeting](#) will be held from October 26 to 28, 2021 and invites all interested stakeholders to participate.

RedBioLAC is a network that brings together institutions, organizations, users and professionals related to applied research and dissemination of anaerobic biodigestion, to stimulate the integral treatment and management of organic waste, as strategies to improve the well-being of the population of Latin America and the Caribbean.

The 13th RedBioLAC Meeting is hosted in 2021 by the city of Arequipa in Peru, represented by the *Red Peruana de Biodigestores*, and due to the global context of the pandemic it will be held in virtual format, so that more people can participate and contribute to the exchange of knowledge and experiences. The Meeting brings together users and developers and is an important opportunity to meet people who work in the biodigester sector and its products, from the small to the productive scale. Biodigesters are biological systems that treat organic waste from agricultural, industrial and household activities, producing biogas (fuel) and biol (natural fertilizer) through the anaerobic digestion process.

The event website presents the preliminary program of the 13th RedBioLAC Meeting that includes the following activities.

Plenary Sessions

These sessions include presentations made with transmission on YouTube, which will be given in the format of Master Lectures, Dialogue Tables, Presentations of the best works of the 5th RedBioLAC Magazine. Leading researchers from Latin America and the Caribbean will give the presentations and animate the discussions. In this space, five field experiences related to biodigesters will also be presented to make visible projects in execution or completed and show their progress, problems, and their main results. [The Network calls on all interested stakeholders to submit a summary of their field experience](#), for evaluation and selection. The works must be linked to small and medium-scale biodigesters and in the case of scientific research works, they will have to consist of pilot projects carried out in the field and in collaboration with the users of the technology. Interested stakeholders can send a summary of the project through the form included on the event website. The final date for the receipt of abstracts will be September 15, 2021.

Debate Rooms

The format is intended to promote dialogue and takes place in parallel to the Meeting. Participants will be able to freely choose the rooms and to facilitate the participation of some countries, Google Meet or Zoom will be used.



Business space

Space within the web page of the Meeting where commercial companies that sponsor the meeting and the RedBioLAC magazine can include their information to exchange with interested parties. [The page also presents the modalities to establish a sponsorship](#) for the meeting, the magazine and the activities of the Network.

Scientific and technical exhibition

Virtual format where attendees can learn about the work done by members and associates of RedBioLAC. This virtual space includes a *Posters Section* of works that will be published in the 5th Edition of the RedBioLAC Magazine and a *Videos Section* of projects related to research and development of biodigesters, that provide information on the specific characteristics of the projects and the benefits provided.

The [Biodigesters Network for Latin America and the Caribbean RedBioLAC](#) has been operating for 12 years and represents a large group of professionals working on various scales of biodigesters in the region. The International Meetings represent a permanent activity of the greatest importance to carry out the exchange of knowledge from the perspective of the users, of the professionals in charge of installing the digesters, of researchers and designers of development projects, addressing issues such as implementation modalities and forms of financing, among others. The previous editions of the Meeting were held with great success in Peru (2009), Costa Rica, Mexico, Nicaragua, Honduras, Colombia, Chile, Costa Rica, Argentina, Brazil, and Cuba (2019). These Meetings represent an occasion to connect participants from various sectors related to biodigesters and their products, sharing lessons learned and promoting the use of this technology to achieve the greatest impact for the populations in the region.

All the information about the program, the participants, the specific topics of the different sessions and the modalities of participation will be progressively published on the 13th RedBioLAC Meeting website.

To know more

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