



# NoAW project

*Innovative approaches to turn agricultural waste into ecological and economic assets*

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# What NoAW will offer ?



NoAW aims to pave the way for **a sustainable agro-waste bio-refinery concept** by shifting from an a-posteriori environmental assessment to **an early eco-design approach**.

NoAW targets to unlock the **potential of agro-waste to be converted into a portfolio of eco-efficient products**: **bio-energy, bio-fertilizers, bio-packaging** and **bio-molecules**, in symbiosis with urban waste conversion.



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# Concept of NoAW:



The concept of the NoAW consists in involving all agriculture chain actors at the territory level in order to:

- **Develop innovative eco-design and assessment tools of circular agro-waste management** strategies and address related gap of dialogue, knowledge and data;
- **Improve agro-waste resources use efficiency** by upgrading the most widespread mature technology and by eco-designing **innovative bio-processes and products**;
- Ensure and accelerate the **development of new business concepts and stakeholders** platform for **cross-chain valorisation of agro-waste** on a territorial and seasonal basis.



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# Major challenges:



NoAW will take up in a coherent manner, the five following major challenges for **ensuring sustainable agro-wastes uses**:

1. Inappropriate materials and knowledge flows management resulting in unbalanced nutrients distributions, contaminants accumulation and agro-waste conversion issues;

✓ NoAW solution: **territorial “cyclifiers”** i.e. stakeholders and materials streams connectors

2. Lack of adequate and early prediction of environmental and economic consequences of agro-waste management strategy and clear guidance to end-users;

✓ NoAW solution: **eco-design approach and multi-criteria decision tools**



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3. Weaknesses of existing technologies for converting agro-wastes into biogas and bio-fertilizer;

- ✓ NoAW solution: **innovative eco-efficient AD technologies**

4. Bottlenecks for innovative building blocks, molecules and materials issued from agro-waste;

- ✓ NoAW solution: **breakthrough technology** on agro-waste conversion and bio-refinery concept

5. Lack of integration of agro-waste business in a circular economy concept;

- ✓ NoAW solution: a cross sectorial vision to bridge the gap between agro-waste science and business opportunity in order to **promote agro-waste industrial ecology concept**

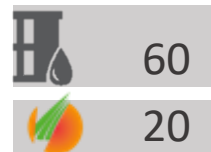
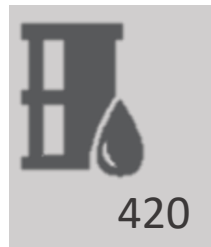


## Now the situation

## NoAW's ambitions



MTOE: million tons oil equivalent

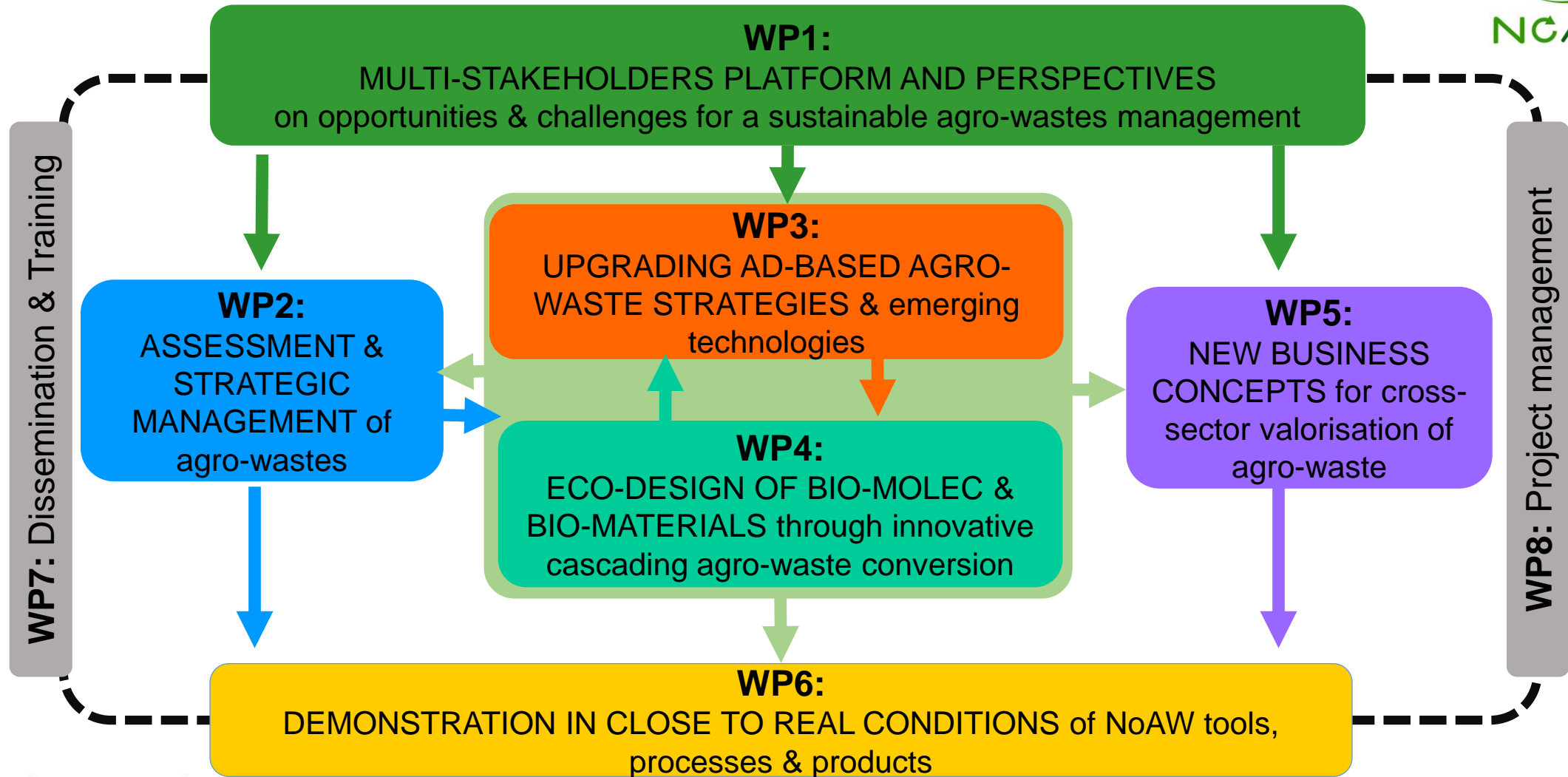


✓ **NoAW aims to substitute**  
 non renewable oil and  
 noble food resources  
 With agricultural waste  
 that will be converted into  
 energy, fertilizer, plastics and  
 chemicals.



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# Structure of NoAW:



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Thank you for your attention

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