

The “Bioeconomy Leadership Award”, created in 2013 is given on behalf of the SBFC community to a company or non-governmental organization that has significantly advanced the development of a renewable resource-based fuels and chemicals economy. This award is intended to recognize demonstrated and sustained leadership excellence in enabling and realizing commercialization of biomass conversion technologies for fuels and chemicals production. Unique among the SBFC awards, the Bioeconomy Leadership Award is presented to a company or institution rather than to an individual. This new award has been conceived to showcase organizational leadership in advancing development of the bio-based economy.

The successfully nominated company or organization will have made substantial contributions to furthering commercialization of commodity fuels and chemicals production from renewable resources using biologically-based approaches. Nominations will be favored that describe organization(s) making substantial contributions to advance:

- renewable feedstock resource supplies, supply logistics, or costs
- development of new technologies or processes for producing commodity bio-based fuels or chemical products
- establishment of new value-added large volume biorefinery co-products
- development and operation of green-field, hybrid, or converted pilot or demonstration plants or biorefineries
- demonstration of bioprocesses exhibiting greatly improved environmental performance, techno-economic performance or increased robustness
- progress de-risking financing for new process/product commercialization
- expansion of markets or increased bulk sales of bio-based products
- promotion of best practices within the biorefining industry
- other achievements enabling faster implementation or expedited commercialization of new bio-based fuels and chemicals processes or products.

The Bioeconomy Leadership Award includes a plaque and promotion in the Symposium on Biotechnology for Fuels and Chemicals’ program book and web online program, as well as a feature story in the Society for Industrial Microbiology and Biotechnology’s flagship publication *SIMB News*.

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**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION NEEDED**

Please attach the following with this nomination form:

1. A 1-2 page letter summarizing the nominee’s most significant and meritorious contributions to advancing the area of biotechnology for fuels and chemicals. This letter should include:
  - a. a specific statement appropriate for inclusion on the plaque
  - b. three relevant references that describe the contributions mentioned in the letter
  - c. any previous awards or distinctions given to the nominee
  - d. names and addresses of two distinguished scientists who are familiar with the contributions of the nominee

**NOMINATIONS WILL ONLY BE ACCEPTED BY EMAIL. EMAIL COMPLETED FORMS AND ATTACHMENTS BY FEBRUARY 15, 2019 TO:**

**Steve Decker**

SBFC Awards Committee

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