

Initiative Nachhaltige Rohstoffbereitstellung für die stoffliche Biomassenutzung

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Publishing of INRO collaborator's self commitment at the end of the first stage to be required for the second stage

1. Presentation of the company:

Novamont is the leading company in the development and production of materials and biochemicals through the integration of chemistry, the environment and agriculture. With 370 employees (approx. 20% employed in R&D), it posted turnover of €136 million in 2013 and made constant investments in research and development activities (6.2% of its 2013 turnover). It has a portfolio of around 1,000 patents. It has its headquarters in Novara, a production facility in Terni and research laboratories in Novara, Terni and Piana di Monte Verna (CE).

- 2. Why do we collaborate in INRO? Industries that intend to use renewable resources for industrial raw materials face the challenge to demonstrate the sustainbaility of the new resources: INRO initiative offers the chance to explore the different approaches of the various private and public stakeholders, with the aim to converge to a common, viable, defendable and certifiable approach. We use renewable resources, we are therefore in INRO to bring our experience and test the current set of rules for sustainability. We do that much downstream in the supply chain to see if the added value of sustainably produced biobased materials can be appreciated by the market.
- 3. What will be our contribution to increase the environmentally friendly and socially compatible provision of renewable resources? Novamont has started an ISCC+ certification in order to assure the use of raw materials produced using sustainability principles and intends to upgrade it by INRO criteria. It is a pilot certification project for the time being, but the intention is to further extend the sustainability certification to our supply chain. We believe the application of green procurement principles is the starting point for the creation of a fully sustainable provisions system.