# RSB MEMBERSHIP





RSB members have a lot to look forward to in 2021, with a whole **programme of webinars**, events and standards work to get involved with.

We are also always looking for new ways to add value for our members, so if there are any topics you feel we should address in a member event, please get in touch with us via your membership contact at RSB.

Provisional list of events as of 16th July 2021.



#### **RSB WEBINARS & EVENTS**

Throughout 2021 we will be hosting webinars on a variety of topics. Many of these webinars and events are exclusively for members, while others are extended to our wider community.

These webinars and events will be designed to update you on important projects, while others will focus on providing detailed information on elements of our standard or certification system or look at how RSB works in a specific sector or region. Member-only webinars are designed to provide exclusive technical content to support our community, while others are open to the public.

You will also be invited to join member-only General Updates every three months which will provide members with an overview of RSB activities during the previous quarter as well as an opportunity to provide highlights of their own activities.

Торіс	Attendance	Date*
Aviation: How the RSB CORSIA Standard supports airlines	Member Only (plus select others)	27-28 January
Certification of Chemicals and Polymers supply chains	Public	25-26 February
General Update	Member Only	3 March
Fuelling the sustainable bioeconomy: latest research on the availability of wastes and residues for biofuel production in Brazil (Portuguese)	Public	23 April
General Update	Member Only	17 May
Outcomes of RSB M&E System in 2020	Member Only	8 July
Aviation: New Sustainable Solutions	Public	4 August
General Update	Member Only	August
Launch of the Power-to-X Working Group	Member Only	September
Ensuring a sustainable supply of vegetable oils - principles and good practices for Macauba cultivation	Public	Q4
Sustainability Now: Integrating RSB in Project Design	Member Only	Q4
General Update	Member Only	20 October
RSB Annual Conference	Members & Registrants	15-18 November
Launch of SAF Policy Platform	Member Only	November



### **STANDARD DEVELOPMENT & WORKING GROUPS**

A key component of RSB membership is members' participation in the ongoing development of the RSB Standard — examining cutting edge issues and bringing their expertise and perspectives to the multi-stakeholder development process. Members are able to help shape and drive the development of the RSB Standard and ensure that it remains a highly credible and practical tool for the development of your work in the bio-based and circular economy.

In 2021 the main Standards work will include a review of our Principles & Criteria, which is the core of the RSB Standard, as well as other amendments and regulatory updates. The formal Standards Workplan will be approved by the RSB Board of Directors in early 2021, but the following represent the main priorities for 2021 from the RSB Secretariat's perspective.

Standard Development Topic	Start Date
<b>RSB Standard Amendment for Woody Biomass</b> :the Amendment has been developed with support of the Standards Working Group and consultation with members is ongoing with adoption by the Assembly of Delegates expected mid-2021.	Q1
<b>RSB CORSIA</b> : RSB submitted its standard to ICAO in 2020 for approval and a decision is expected in November 2020. However, there may be additional requirements from ICAO that RSB will need to implement. Members will be updated on developments.	Q1
<b>RSB EcoTransport Program:</b> This new RSB Procedure is being drafted by the RSB Secretariat and will shortly be under review by experts.	Q2
<b>RSB Principles &amp; Criteria Review</b> : under <u>ISEAL Codes of Conduct</u> credible standard organisations should review their principles and criteria every five years. RSB will kick-off its review in mid- 2021 with the aim of completing in early 2022. This is an opportunity for RSB to streamline and improve its standards and members are invited to engage fully in the process.	Q3
<b>RSB EU RED II</b> : n June 2021, RSB was approved as a voluntary scheme to continue certifying Operators under the EU RED II standard. The draft Implementing Act on voluntary schemes, which sets out many additional requirements of the EU RED II, was released on 29th June 2021 and RSB discussed this with members of the RSB General Standards Working Group to produce feedback for the EU Commission. Following finalisation of the Implementing Act requirements, which is expected in September 2021, RSB will be ensuring that the RSB EU RED requirements continue to align with the EU RED II. Members will be updated on developments.	Q3

## **PROGRAMME OF ACTIVITIES IN 2021**

## RSB ANNUAL CONFERENCE 2021 | 15-18 NOVEMBER 2021

Each year the RSB community comes together at our Annual Conference. In 2021 we invite you to join us for a full-scale virtual event held over 4 days. Our first ever virtual event promises to attract more delegates to even richer sessions with more opportunities for engagement, networking, and participation than ever before.

With a return to a full-scale conference in 2021, this year is going to be a fantastic opportunity to reconnect, learn, and explore strategies to advance the bio-based and circular economy together.

Join RSB's members and stakeholders come together to push systemic and sustainable change in the way the world works, to develop innovative and collaborative projects and programmes to deliver positive impacts for people and the planet, and to drive uptake of RSB's certification in the most sustainable, low-carbon, and transparent supply chains.

#### **QUESTIONS?**

If you would like to learn more about RSB membership activities in 2021, please reach out to your membership contact at RSB — or contact your sector lead.

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