



Farmer Hubert in person: The FNR appeals to the public using this beloved comic about the farmer and kids Paula and Leon.

Tasks

PROMOTION OF RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

The FNR's main task is to support applied research and development in the field of sustainable development and use of renewable resources. It is our goal to develop promising processes and products to make them ready for the market. The FNR supports around 800 projects each year.

INFORMATION AND PUBLIC RELATIONS

The FNR is the first point of contact for all matters concerning renewable resources. Alongside specialist information, explanations and advice also play an important role. Regular events and industry and consumer expos round off the spectrum of activities.

EU AND INTERNATIONAL ACTIVITIES

As well as taking part in EU funded projects, the FNR is also involved in European and international committees and working groups that develop strategies for the sustainable use of biomass using innovative and efficient technologies.

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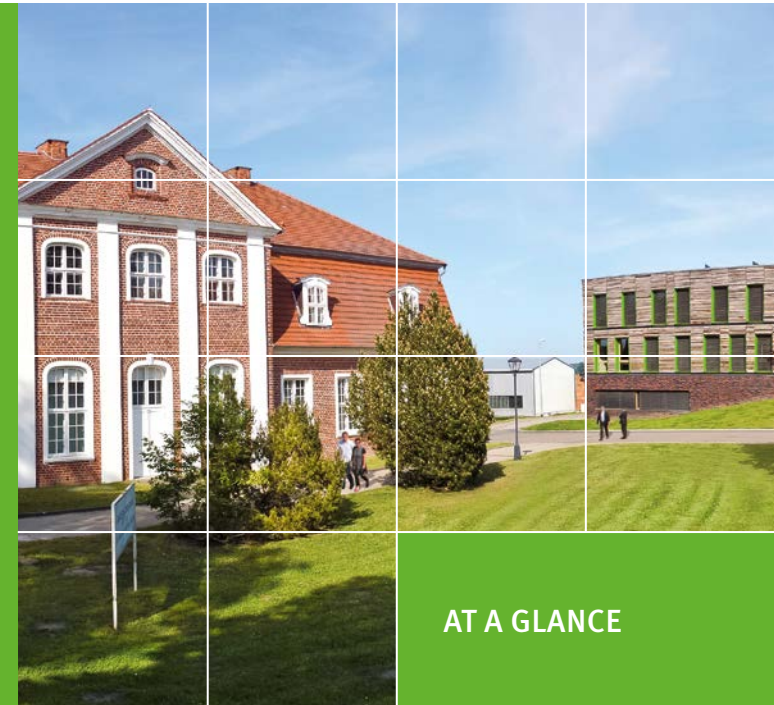
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AT A GLANCE



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The Importance of Renewable Resources

The supply of fossil resources such as coal, oil and natural gas is dwindling all across the globe. This situation has led Germany, like many other industrial countries, to look for alternative resources. Renewable resources – that is resources of plant and animal origin produced by agriculture or forestry – and their energetic or material use play an important role here. Not only do they contribute to sustainability, they also help protect our climate.

Agricultural Factors of Renewable Resources

The cultivation and the local and regional use of renewable resources encourage growth, increase value-added and create new jobs – especially in rural areas. They facilitate economic and societal participation and lead to an improvement in the quality of life for local people. Renewable resources are increasingly being used in industry, especially in the chemical industry, which also contributes to the creation of new jobs and security of existing ones.



Investing in the future: Bio energy villages like the Baden-Württemberg village of Untermaßholderbach take pressure off the environment, strengthen local involvement and support long-term economic development.

'Renewable Resources' Funding Programme

In 2015, the Federal Ministry of Food and Agriculture (BMEL) announced the new 'Renewable Resources' funding programme. The Agency for Renewable Resources (FNR) has been entrusted with managing the programme.

Germany on its Way to a Bio-Based Economy

The 'Renewable Resources' funding programme is part of the government's new high-tech strategy to improve Germany's competitive position. It also supports the government's 'Policy Strategy on Bio-economy', which aims to create a resource-efficient economy that makes use of renewable resources.



Goals of the Programme

The programme is intended to support the further development of a sustainable bio-based economy. This involves developing innovative, internationally competitive bio-based products, as well as processes and technologies for their production. Furthermore, the programme also supports the development of concepts aimed at improving the sustainability of the bio-based economy, while taking society's expectations into account.



Agency for Renewable Resources (FNR)

The FNR was founded in 1993 as a government initiative intended to support research and development projects in the area of renewable resources. As a project managing organisation, the FNR answers to the Federal Ministry of Food and Agriculture (BMEL).

The FNR at a Glance

- Tasks:
 - Promotion of research and development as well as the use of renewable resources
 - Information and public relations
 - Co-operation on a European and international level
- Staff: over 85
- Founded: 1993
- Based in: Gülzow in Mecklenburg-Vorpommern



Come on in: The FNR often opens its doors to get visitors to the new FNR building excited about building with renewable materials.