

# BIO360 OPEN, OUTDOOR



Just a few short weeks after the close of Bio360 Week, the French president announced the phased “re-opening” of France which presented the possibility to organise a summer event to bring people together once again. And so, Bio360 Open was officially launched as an outdoor event and again, with just a two month lead time to pull it all together.

Under sunny skies at the end of June, **1000 participants and 120 exhibitors greatly appreciated and embraced the luxury of being able meeting up again in person** and do what humans have enjoyed doing for millennia, talking and exchanging face-to-face.

A rich programme across the two days with at its heart, displaying the know-how and show-how of **exemplary initiatives in energy recovery from local renewable resources to displace fossil fuels** as practised by the town of Retiers and municipality of Roches aux Fées in southern Brittany.



## Inauguration of the wood-fired heating plant in Retiers

On Wednesday 30 June, the new Retiers biomass heating plant was inaugurated. This communal boiler plant, which visitors were able to visit during the technical tours, consists of two 600 kW biomass boilers that heat several communal buildings in the town. In summary, the boiler house has an installed biomass capacity of 1.1 MW, operates 300 days a year, has 7 heat recovery units served by a 1.1 km distributed heat network and consumes 700 tonnes of wood chips per year.



## Laying of the foundation stone for the Enerfees biogas project

On Thursday 1 July, the official foundation stone laying ceremony for the Enerfees biogas cooperative project was held. Enerfees is a collective agricultural project comprising 55 farmers within a radius of 11 km who will pool their substrate resources of 75,000 tonnes of organic matter per year to generate biogas for further recovery and injection into the gas network.

## We value bio-waste !

Bio360 walks the talk – the biowaste generated from the exhibition catering service and restaurant was sorted, collected and sent off by a professional service provider to an anaerobic digestion plant after a hygienisation pre-treatment.



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