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### **Nelo Emerencia, coordinator programming Bio-based Industries Consortium**



Studied Chemical Engineering at the Delft University of Technology (The Netherlands). In 1973 he returned to Aruba, his native island, where he worked at the Esso refinery and progressed to Marketing Manager. In 1985 Nelo was transferred to the chemicals business unit of ExxonMobil in Rotterdam and later in Brussels and held positions in economics and planning, marketing and public affairs.

In 1998 Nelo was seconded to PlasticsEurope in Brussels, where he worked as Communications Director for three years. Back to ExxonMobil, he was the Public Affairs Manager for ExxonMobil Chemical in The Netherlands for 5 years.

Thereafter he was seconded to VNCI (Dutch Chemical Industry Association), and held the positions of Education & Innovation Manager and Secretary of the Dutch Chemistry Board through June 2014, increasingly occupying himself with bio-based economy activities.

Nelo retired in 2014 and as an independent consultant he has assumed his current position as coordinator programming Bio-based Industries Consortium since 1 April 2015.