

## Partner with IBI to Host a Biochar Academy!

The International Biochar Initiative is looking for global partners interested in hosting a Biochar Academy at their location.

**Please complete [this form](#) to express your interest in hosting a Biochar Academy in partnership with IBI.**

### What is the Biochar Academy?

IBI's Biochar Academy is an immersive in-person, multi-day, hands-on workforce development course designed to equip emerging biochar professionals with the knowledge and tools necessary to become effective biochar advocates, educators, and practitioners. This unique experiential learning program blends expert presentations and demonstrations with hands-on practice to engage participants with contemporary knowledge and real-world biochar production and application. By emphasizing peer-learning and networking, the Biochar Academy fosters innovation and strengthens the global community of biochar practitioners through place-based learning at host locations around the world.

### What is IBI looking for in a Host Partner?

*The ideal partner has the following qualities; though, not every partner will possess all of these qualities.*

- Partner in funding:** the ideal partner has funding and/or the capacity to support fundraising for the event (e.g., through grant writing, sponsor solicitation, donor outreach, etc.)
- Teaching Equipment:** the ideal partner has biochar production equipment on-site. Bonus: the site is within close proximity to *both* artisanal and industrial examples of biochar production
- Venue Capacity:** the ideal partner has a venue able to host 50+ people with accommodation on-site or nearby, and teaching space(s) equipped with learning equipment such as projector and sound system.
- Staff Support:** the ideal partner will provide staff to support event program planning and implementation
- Biochar Expertise:** the ideal partner has extensive expertise and networks within the Biochar Industry, and intends to leverage this expertise and networks by assisting IBI in the process of recruiting speakers and developing the program agenda.
- Accessible Location:** Ideally within 1.5 hours drive from an airport.
- Site Visits:** biochar production and/or application sites nearby (within 2 hours)