



DENNIS HALL

Dennis Hall is the Director of the OBIC Bioproducts Innovation Center, located at The Ohio State University in Columbus, Ohio. As Director, Mr. Hall has assisted over 60 OBIC collaborators in securing \$100+ million in supplemental funding to accelerate research and commercialization activities. Examples of these funded projects include support of industrial partners such as Cooper Tire, Sherwin Williams, ADM, Egg Tech, quasar energy group, Vinyltech, and PSB, supporting job growth and forming a bridge between academia and business. Additionally, Mr. Hall testified to the United States Senate Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry, on “Growing Jobs in Rural America”, in July 2011. Mr. Hall is P.I. or Co-P.I. to several bioproduct and bioenergy education projects to help prepare the talent needed in the emerging bioeconomy.

In October 2014, OBIC hosted the inaugural Bioproducts World Showcase & Conference in Columbus, Ohio. Over 250 attendees, 41 exhibitors, and 24 distinguished speakers took part in this revolutionary event. Perhaps the most exciting moment of the conference was hosting U.S. Secretary of Agriculture, Tom Vilsack, as the special guest speaker.

Outside of OBIC, Denny is a member of the North Union Local Board of Education, advisor to the Ohio State University’s Collegiate Young Farmers organization, and a 6th generation farmer in Ohio.