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Project title:	**CO_2-based methane and protein production for decarbonizing industrial processes**
Project acronym:	**CARMA**
Project number:	**ATCZ00278**
Overall budget:	**1 107 399,82 EUR**
Overall ERDF funding:	**885 919,85 EUR**
FFPW budget:	**277 450,32 EUR**
ERDF funding:	**221 960,25 EUR**
Project duration:	**01. 04. 2026 – 31. 12. 2028**
FFPW Responsible leader:	**MSc. Koushik Roy, Ph.D.**
FFPW Project Coordinator:	**Lucie Rybová**

Programe: **INTERREG Austria – Czechia 2021–2027**

Priority: **P1 – Research and Innovation**

Specific target: **1.1 – Research and Innovation**

Project partners:

Lead partner: **K1–MET GmbH**

Project partner 2: **University of South Bohemia in České Budějovice**
Faculty of Fisheries and Protection of Waters (FFPW)

Project partner 3: **Johannes Kepler University Linz**
Institute of Process Engineering

Project partner 4: **Mendel University in Brno**

Project description: **The CARMA project delivers an innovative solution for a sustainable future by converting CO_2 emissions into methane through electrolysis and subsequently using microorganisms to produce high-quality biomass. This alternative protein source has significant potential as a nutrient-rich feed ingredient for aquaculture. CARMA thus combines advanced technologies with an environmentally friendly approach and opens up new opportunities in the field of circular economy.**

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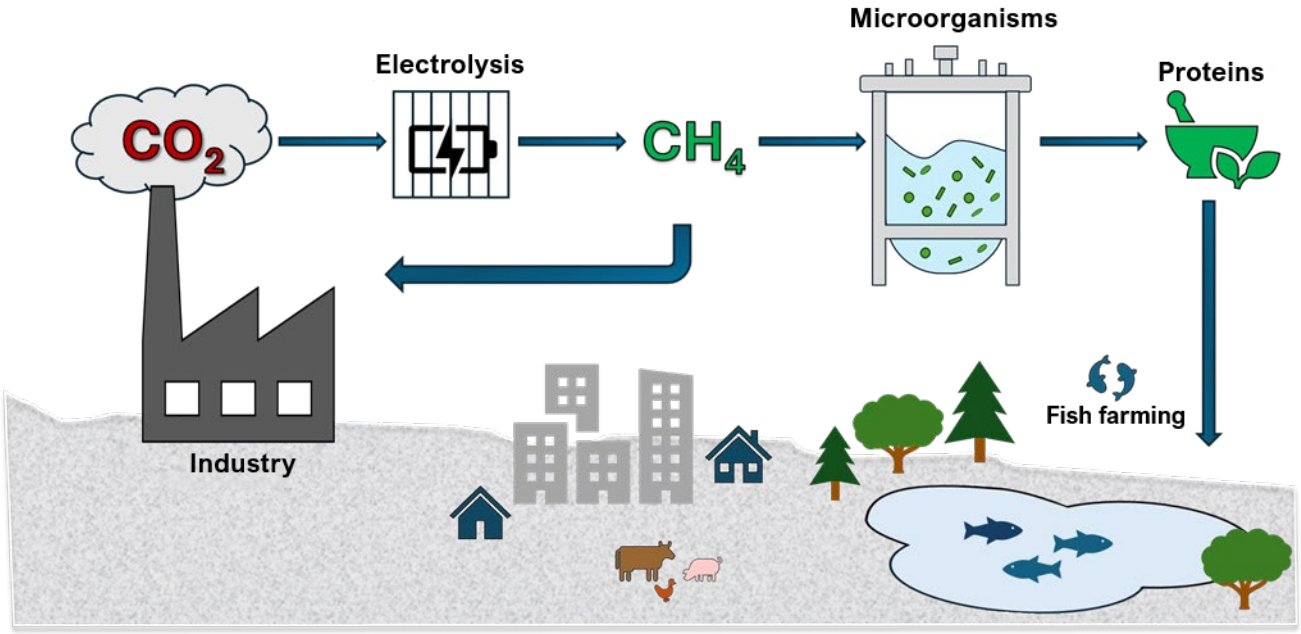
Project aim:

The aim of the CARMA project is to connect industrial decarbonization with the production of sustainable proteins through a cross-border innovation chain utilizing industrial CO_2. The project uses industrially produced CO_2, which is converted into methane through electrolysis and subsequently transformed into protein-rich microbial biomass ("C1-gas-protein") using biotechnological processes.
CARMA delivers an innovative solution that supports the circular bioeconomy, reduces greenhouse gas emissions, and decreases dependence on imported protein resources. At the same time, the project brings together the expertise of partners from the Czech Republic and Austria in the fields of clean technologies, biotechnology, and aquaculture, creating a foundation for new cross-sector collaborations.



Are you interested in new opportunities for using CO_2 in the production of sustainable feed? Follow the results of the CARMA project and become part of our innovation network. By joining the stakeholder network, you will gain access to up-to-date project information, the latest research results, and invitations to expert events.
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