



European
Commission

Workshop on
**CLIMATE ACTION
IN AGRICULTURE
AND FORESTRY**

*Climate smart land-use policy: best
practices and innovation from
LIFE and Horizon 2020 projects*

Agenda

Date: 1 June 2017

Time: 9:00 – 18:00

Venue: Conference Centre
Albert Borschette, room AB-OD
Rue Froissart 36, 1040 Brussels

Registered participants only



A significant number of LIFE and Horizon 2020 projects demonstrate how innovative approaches can help farmers and foresters take up climate-smart production methods. These projects contribute to the creation of new knowledge and can facilitate the implementation of EU climate objectives, including those under the Paris Agreement and the EU's 2030 climate and energy framework.

This workshop will provide a thematic platform for project promoters and stakeholders, who have developed new tools to make EU agriculture and forestry more climate-friendly. The event will facilitate exchange of knowledge and help identify measures that could be rolled out on a larger scale.

The second part of the workshop will be divided into two parallel sessions:

- I. *Climate Action in Forests*
- II. *Climate Action in Agriculture*

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9:00

Registration, welcome coffee

9:30

OPENING SESSION

From Kyoto to Paris: Agriculture, Forestry and Climate Change

Moderator: Peter Wehrheim, Head of Unit, Directorate General for Climate Action, European Commission

- **Opening remarks** – Pierre Schellekens, Deputy Head of Cabinet of Commissioner Arias Cañete, European Commission
- **A climate strategy for and by farmers** – Niels Peter Norring, Vice-Chair Working Party on Environment, Copa Cogeca
- **Climate smart forestry: Breakthroughs and gaps** – Prof. Bart Muys Division of Forest, Nature and Landscape, University of Leuven
- **How does LIFE help – An Overview** – Angelo Salsi, Head of Unit, Executive Agency for Small and Medium-sized Enterprises (EASME)

Room OD

11:00

Coffee break (in front of Room OD)

PARALLEL SESSIONS – project showcase (please see annexed page for project details)

11:30

- **Climate Action in Forests** – Moderator: Emma Berglund, Secretary General, Confederation of European Forest Owners (CEPF)

Room OC

- **Climate Action in Agriculture** – Moderator: Kaley Hart, Head of Agriculture and Land Management, Institute for European Environmental Policy (IEEP)

Room OD

Lunch break (in front of Room OD)

13:00

PARALLEL SESSIONS – project showcase cont. (please see annexed page for project details)

14:00

- **Climate Action in Forests**

Room OC

- **Climate Action in Agriculture**

Room OD

- **Interactive Discussion (in each session)**

- Are there good examples of projects that can be replicated and/or rolled out at a larger scale?
- What additional support is needed to get these successful projects to the next step (expand, scale up, replicate), and meet the 2030 climate and energy targets?

Coffee break (in front of Room OD)

15:30

CLOSING SESSION

16:00

The way forward from Paris: Agriculture, Forestry and Climate Change

Moderator: Simon Kay, Senior Expert, Directorate General for Climate Action, European Commission

- **Feedback from parallel sessions and Q&A**

- Forest Session – Emma Berglund, CEPF
- Agriculture Session – Kaley Hart, IEEP

- **Climate action on the ground and policy: challenges and opportunities for farmers and foresters** – Paul Brannen, Member of European Parliament, Member of ENVI Committee

- **Closing remarks** – Christiane Canenbley, Cabinet of Commissioner Hogan, European Commission

Room OD

Cocktail Reception & Networking (in front of Room OD)

17:00



Agriculture and forestry have a key role to play when it comes to meeting the EU's climate goals. The Commission proposals for a new 'Effort Sharing Regulation' and integrating the land use, land use change and forestry ('LULUCF') sector into the EU's 2030 climate and energy package provide the regulatory framework for enhancing mitigation and adaptation action in these two sectors. Yet an 'enabling framework' will also be needed, to support and incentivise the adoption of climate-friendly practices in agriculture and forestry. **The EU's funding instruments LIFE and Horizon 2020** already provide this framework, supporting projects which develop, test and demonstrate ways to turn policy goals into action on the ground.

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