



2nd meeting of the Carbon Removals Expert Group Carbon Farming: mapping of certification methodologies

21-22 June 2023, BREY building (Avenue d'Auderghem 45, Brussels)

AGENDA

DAY 1	
10:00	Arrival
10:30	OPENING SESSION (Chair: Christian Holzleitner, DG CLIMA)
10:30	Welcome and opening by Christian Holzleitner
11:00	Supporting the Expert Group: ongoing activities at the Commission <ul style="list-style-type: none">• CRETA project: Carbon Removal Expert group Technical Assistance by Peter Karsch (CRETA)• Monitoring Carbon Removal in Land through Earth Observation and Hybrid Models by Greet Maenhout (JRC)• Supporting implementation of the LULUCF regulation by John van Aardenne (EEA)• The Soil mission including its role in carbon removals by Kerstin Rosenow (DG AGRI)• Q&A
12:10	Lunch break
13:15	AGRICULTURE ON MINERAL SOILS. Chair: Grega Milcinski (Type A-expert), Rapporteur: Giulia Maria Stellari (Type A-expert)
13:15	“Setting the scene” <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Overview of certification methodologies for agriculture by Jan Peter Lesschen and Jos Cozijnsen (CRETA), with comments by<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Martin Thorsoe (Road4Schemes)○ Aaron Scheid (Ecologic Institute)

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Design of a high-resolution and dynamic soil organic carbon monitoring system for agricultural land by Claire Chenu (INRAE) • Q&A
14:20	Examples of methodologies <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • VCS (Verra) VM0042 Methodology for Improved Agricultural Land Management and CAR Soil Enrichment Protocol by Max DuBuisson (Indigo) • The Esca factor (C sequestration in soil) under the Renewable Energy Directive: the example of biochar by David Chiaramonti (Type A-expert)
14:40	Coffee & Connect
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Methodologies for agricultural activities in the French Label Bas Carbone, by Clothilde Tronquet (I4CE) • Maps of carbon sequestration potential in agricultural land – lessons learnt from project LIFE C-Farms, by Lucia Perugini (Type A-expert) • Q&A
16:00	Discussion & conclusions by the rapporteur
17:00	End
17:30	Informal networking event (<i>Le Grand Central, Rue Belliard 190</i>)
DAY 2	
09:00	Arrival
09:15	FORESTRY. Chair: Sebastian Rüter (Type A-expert), Rapporteur: Asger Olesen (Type A-expert)
09:15	Welcome and introduction by Asger Olesen
09:20	Setting the scene <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overview of certification methodologies for forestry by Sven van Baren (CRETA), with comments by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Kelsey Perlman (Fern) • Geographic Information Systems (GIS): demonstration of tools to integrate data for carbon removal certification in electronic maps by Alan Devenish and Philip Mott (ESRI) • Q&A
10:00	Examples of methodologies

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Forestation - Digitalization - Monetization by Panu Torniainen (ZertiCarbon) • Reforestation - German Forest Carbon Standard by Moriz Vohrer (Ecosystem Value Association) (online) • Carbon removal projects in the Spanish Registry of carbon footprint and offsetting by Iván Martínez Castro (OECC) (online) • SE FSC ecosystem services by Wesley Snell and Anne van der Bruggen (Forest Stewardship Council) (online) • Q&A
11:00	Coffee & Connect
11:20	Discussion & conclusions by the rapporteur
12:00	Lunch break
13:30	PEATLAND. Chair: Francisca Demmendaal-Wit (CRETA), Rapporteur: Hans Joosten (Type A expert)
13:30	Setting the scene <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overview of certification methodologies for peatlands by Jasmijn Sybenga (CRETA) • Q&A
13:55	Examples of methodologies <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unlocking private finance for peatland restoration through the Peatland Code by Renée Kerkvliet-Hermans (IUCN UK) (online) • Moor Futures by Franziska Tanneberger (Greifswald University) (online) • Currency for Peat scheme by Wytze van der Gaast (SNK) (online) • Remote sensing for wetland habitats by Philip Marzahn (Rostock University) (online) • Q&A
14:50	Discussion & conclusions by the rapporteur
15:30	Coffee & Connect
15:45	CONCLUDING SESSION. Chair: Christian Holzleitner (DG CLIMA)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Takeaways from the three rapporteurs • Next steps by Jan Peter Lesschen (CRETA) • Concluding remarks by Christian Holzleitner (DG CLIMA)
16:30	End of the meeting