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EIP-AGRI WORKSHOP

'TOWARDS CARBON NEUTRAL AGRICULTURE'

24-25 MARCH 2021 - ONLINE EVENT

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EIP-AGRI Workshop 'Towards Carbon Neutral Agriculture'

Tuesday 23 March 2021

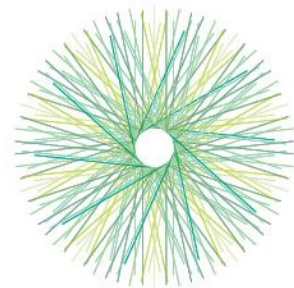
- 10:00 - 11:00 **Networking and troubleshooting sessions (optional)**
and
16:00 - 17:00
 - Participants meet each other informally
 - Participants test their connection and get familiar with the virtual platform

Day 1: Wednesday 24 March 2021

08:30 - 09:00 Checking in

Part I: Starting our journey together

- 09:00 - 09:20 **Welcome and introduction, in plenary**
- **Maria Angeles Benitez Salas**, European Commission, Deputy Director General at DG Agriculture and Rural Development (DG AGRI)
 - **Pacôme Elouna Eyenga**, Team Leader EIP-AGRI Service Point
- 09:20 - 10:00 **Discover Diversity:** Getting to know each other
- **Interactive session moderated by André Vizinho and Ana Marta Paz**, EIP-AGRI Service Point
- 10:00 - 10:15 **Building Common Ground:** Towards carbon neutral agriculture – EU policy framework
- **Overview of policy priorities and initiatives: Susana Gaona**, Research Programme Officer, DG AGRI
 - **Q&A**
- 10:15 - 10:30 Coffee break



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Part II: Looking into solutions

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Plenary session

- **Overview of GHG emissions and sinks in agriculture and dimension of their fluxes: Ana Marta Paz**, EIP-AGRI Service Point
- **Inspiring examples of diverse production methods that seek carbon neutrality:**
 - **Permanent crops: Liliana Fernández Pérez**, Viticulturist Manager, El Hato y el Garabato vineyards (ES)
 - **Annual crops: Tõnis Ajaots**, agronomist at Rannu Seeme family farm (EE)
 - **Intensive livestock: Harry Kager**, strategic advisor on sustainable agriculture at Schuttelaar & Partners (NL)
 - **Mixed systems and extensive livestock: Jacopo Goracci**, farm manager at Tenuta di Paganico (IT)
- **Q&A**

11:20 - 12:30

Breakout session I

Participants attend the breakout group that they are assigned to in their welcome email: Permanent crops, Annual crops, Intensive livestock, Mixed systems and extensive livestock

- Discussion "What are your experiences and knowledge on carbon neutral agriculture?"

12:30 - 14:30

Lunch break

14:30 - 14:40

Welcome back, in plenary

14:40 - 15:30

Breakout session II

Participants return to their breakout groups as above

- Discussion: "What are the most replicable and interesting practices and solutions?"

15:30 - 16:00

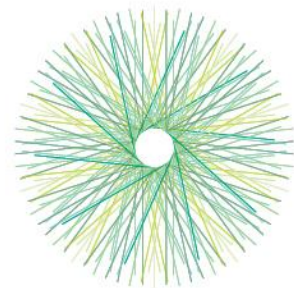
Reporting and discussion in plenary

Each breakout group presents the main outcomes of the discussions

16:00 - 16:30

Preparing for Day 2 and closing Day 1

- Participants are invited to propose topics for the discussion on *"What knowledge and Innovation do I/we need to make agriculture carbon neutral in 5 years/by 2030?"*
- **Closing words: Susana Gaona**, Research Programme Officer, DG AGRI and **Ana Marta Paz**, EIP-AGRI Service Point



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Day 2: Thursday 25 March 2021

08:30 - 09:00 Checking in

09:00 - 09:15 **Welcome and introduction to Day 2, in plenary**

Part III: Boosting implementation

09:15 - 09:45 **Inspiring examples of implementation of carbon neutral agriculture:**

- **Juuso Joona**, farm manager at Tynnelä farm; member of the board at the carbon action platform (FI)
- **Franky Coopman**, farm advisor at INAGRO, project partner in INTERREG NSR Carbon Farming (BE)
- **Q&A**

Part IV: Building knowledge

09:45 - 10:30 **Plenary session: Identification of the most relevant topics for discussion in the parallel sessions**

Building further on the exercise from the end of Day 1, setting the agenda for the parallel sessions and distribution of participants.

10:30 - 10:45 Coffee break

10:45 - 10:50 **Welcome back, in plenary**

10:50 - 11:50 **Parallel sessions: What knowledge and Innovation do I/we need to make agriculture carbon neutral in 5 years/by 2030?**

Participants are invited to join and contribute to one or several discussions which they find the most interesting or relevant for them.

11:50 - 12:30 **Plenary session: Reporting back from the parallel sessions**

Each parallel session presents the main outcomes of the discussions

12:30 - 13:00 **Closing**

- Final remarks
- Evaluation
- **Closing words: Kerstin Rosenow**, Head of Unit B2 – Research and Innovation, DG AGRI