

LIFE Platform Meeting on Soils

AGENDA

Pamplona (ES) - 10 and 11 April 2024

Day 1 – Wednesday 10/04/2024

BALUARTE Conference Centre - Plaza del Baluarte – Pamplona (Navarra - ES)

TIME (CET)	TOPIC / CONTENT
09:00 - 09:25	<i>Registration</i>
09:25 – 09:30	Check in Michel QUICHERON (CINEA)
09:30 – 09:40	Welcome speeches by organisers Agnieszka ROMANOWICZ Deputy Head of Unit, LIFE Energy + LIFE Climate, CINEA & hosting projects
09:40 – 09:45	Organisation, programme and rules
09:45 – 10:45	EU Directives on Soil Monitoring and Resilience and other relevant policy presentations by DGs of the European Commission
09-45 – 10:00	Svetlana CHOVANCOVA (DG ENV) <i>EC proposal for a Directive on Soil Monitoring and Resilience (Soil Monitoring Law)</i>
10:00 – 10:15	Frida SUND FALKEVIK (DG CLIMA) <i>Carbon Removal Certification Framework</i>
10:15- 10:30	Jelena VIDOVIC (DG AGRI - Soil Mission) <i>Living labs under the EU Mission 'A Soil Deal for Europe'</i>
10:30- 10:45	Q & A
10:45 - 11:15	<i>Coffee break and first posters and networking session</i>

11:15 – 12:30	Thematic speeches on soil health by European and local stakeholders
11:15 – 11:30	Fernando SEÑAS BEA Service Director of the Navarra Climate Change Office <i>Navarre Climate Strategy: Soil Integrated Management</i>
11:30 – 11:45	Adolfo URIARTE VILLALBA Natural Heritage and Climate Change Director - Basque Government <i>Soil Protection Strategy of the Basque Country</i>
11:45 – 12:00	Xurxo VEIRA (EU CAP, EIP-Agri) <i>Soil Monitoring and Resilience, contributions from the European CAP Network Innovation & knowledge exchange EIP-AGRI</i>
12:00 – 12:15	Panos PANAGOS (JRC - EU Soil Observatory) <i>The role of EU Soil Observatory in supporting EU policies with solid science</i>
12:15 – 12:30	Q & A
12:30 - 13:30	<i>Presentations of selected LIFE “soil-related” projects</i>
12:30 – 12:45	Introduction on LIFE Programme and Soils Michel QUICHERON (CINEA)
12:45 – 13:00	Project LIFE16 CCA/IT/000011 LIFE DESERT-ADAPT : <i>Preparing desertification areas for increased climate change</i> - Simona CASTALDI (Università degli Studi della Campania “Luigi Vanvitelli” - Italy)
13:00 – 13:15	Project LIFE20 CCA/NL/001625 LIFE CO2SAND : <i>Increasing climate resilience and carbon sink of sandy soils on agricultural land</i> - Jan WILLEM BERENDSEN (Provincie Gelderland - The Netherlands)
13:15 – 13:30	Project LIFE20 ENV/BE/000597 LIFE FRAC-IN : <i>Enabling in situ soil remediation on low-permeability sites through hydraulic/pneumatic fracturing (FRAC-IN)</i> - Axelle Mineur (ABO-Group – Belgium)
13:30 - 14:30	<i>Lunch break and second posters and networking session</i>
14:30 – 16:15	<i>Working Groups with LIFE beneficiaries and EC officers:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GROUP A: Soil management and sustainable agriculture • GROUP B: Soil contamination, bioremediation and circular economy <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GROUP C: Soil conservation and carbon removals

16:30 – 17:30	<p style="text-align: center;">Plenary meeting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reporting from the working group by ELMEN <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open discussion • Wrap-up of Day 1
17:30-18:00	<i>Third posters and networking session</i>
18:00-18:15	<p>Joint walk to the dinner venue Restaurant of the Hotel Tres Reyes (Jardines de la Taconera s/n - Pamplona)</p>
18:15 - 21:00	<i>Networking dinner</i>

Day 2 – Thursday 11/04/2024

TIME (CET)	TOPIC / CONTENT
08:45	<p>FIELD TRIP <i>Departure from Baluarte (Pamplona)</i> Visit to areas of interventions to improve soil quality organised by NADAPTA-CC and URBAN KLIMA 2050 projects</p>
09:30	<p>1. OLORIZ: Visit of the soil resilience trial based on the use of organic fertilizers and soil management strategies. This is part of the action of LIFE16 IPC/ES/000001 LIFE-IP NADAPTA-CC project focused on the adaptability of local agro-systems to climate change. The methodology used to quantify the level of vulnerability of Navarre's agro-systems and their potential improvement through the application of best practices will be illustrated during the visit.</p>
10:30	<i>Departure from Oloriz</i>
11:45	<p>2. ASPARRENA: Visit to a former industrial site with heritage value and placed by a Natural Park and Natura 2000 site. A procedure for the declaration of soil quality and management of industrial ruin (waste and installations affected by fuels and asbestos contamination) is in progress. The role of a small municipality in the recovery of contaminated sites will be presented. At present, the facilities can be seen after a previous phase of ruin management. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XvBShmUJeX0</p>
12:30	<i>Departure from Asparrena</i>
13:15	Lunch in Miñano
14:30	<i>Departure from Miñano</i>

15:00	<p>3. VITORIA-GASTEIZ: Visit the Mendebaldea Project (Interreg Sudoe Phy2Sudoe) focused on the naturalisation of the area around the Jundiz industrial area, where a series of works for the recovery of degraded peri-urban land has been carried out in several successive phases (phase V - partially funded by the LIFE IP URBAN KLIMA 2050 project). The recovery included actions to improve the quality of the soil and the establishment of vegetation to form a large green corridor that, crossed by a network of paths, allows the physical and ecological connectivity of the site with the natural elements and rural centers surrounding the industrial edge.</p> <p>The visit will be focused on the activities carried out during phase III on contaminated soil restoration with experimental phytoremediation techniques.</p>
16:00	<i>Departure from Mendebaldea</i>
16:30 - 17:30	<p>4. Closure meeting in Vitoria-Gasteiz Conclusions & take away messages</p>
18:30 (at the latest)	<i>Return to Pamplona</i>