

Building Demonstrative Capacity in Plant Production

June 30th - July 2nd

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AGENDA

DAY 1: 30/06

BIO-BASED PRODUCTS AND PROCESSES FOR PLANT CULTIVATION

• 14:00 - 14:30 **OPENING SESSION, WELCOME TO PIC2021**

Demofarms and plant production innovation

Arnaldo Dossena, Vice-president of the Agrifood Clust-ER, Emilia-Romagna, Italy

Stefania Saccardi, Vice-president of the Tuscany Regional Council and Responsible for agrifood, Italy

Marco Foschini, Manager of the Agrifood Clust-ER, Emilia-Romagna, Italy

Nicolas Fégeant, Head of International Projects Vegepolys-Valley, France

Célia Gavaud, Head of International partnership, Agrifood Clust-ER, Italy

• 14:30 - 15:30 **CONFERENCE #1**

Bio-based Products and Processes for Plant Cultivation, focus on the early stages of plant growth

Enrico Francia, University of Modena and Reggio Emilia, Italy (Keynote & Moderator)

Domenico Ronga, Professor of Agronomy at University of Salerno, Italy

Simone Orlandini, DAGRI, University of Florence, Italy

• 15:30 - 17:00 **FIELD VISITS**

Bio-based Products and Processes for Plant Cultivation, focus on the post-harvest stages

1) **Experimental Station for the Food Preservation Industry - Research Foundation, SSICA**, Parma, Emilia-Romagna, Italy: Case Study of Tomato By-Products

Luca Sandei, Head of Department, SSICA, Italy, started over 120 years ago, the demo site is a key player of the industry

Angela Montanari, CEO of TomaPaint, Italy; spin-off of SSICA, she has won an EIC Accelerator grant

2) **Cesa Demofarm**, Cesa, Tuscany, Italy: vegetal biomass, the case of biochar

Marco Locatelli, Innovation manager, Ente Terre Regionali Toscane, Tuscany, Italy

Francesco Primo Vaccari, Researcher at the Bioeconomy Institute, CNR, Italy

Discussion:

Peter Sørensen, Aarhus University, Center for Quantitative Genetics and Genomics, Denmark

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DAY 2: 01/07

HI-TECH ZERO CARBON FOOTPRINT HORTICULTURE & FRUITICULTURE

• 10:00 - 11:00

CONFERENCE #2

High-tech Zero Carbon Footprint Horticulture & Fruticulture

Francesco Ferrini, University of Florence, Italy (Keynote Speaker)

Fabio Boscaleri, Tuscany Region Brussels Office, Italy (Moderator)

Luca Corelli Grappadelli, CIRI-AGRO, University of Bologna, Italy

Chris Blok, Soil physics lab Greenhouse Horticulture, Wageningen University, The Netherlands

• 11:00 - 12:30

FIELD VISITS

High-tech zero carbon footprint Horticulture, a focus on ornamental productions & fruticulture

Moderator: **Fabio Boscaleri**, Tuscany Region Brussels Office, Italy

1) **Vannucci Piante**, Pistoia, Tuscany, Italy: Founded in 1938, global leader in ornamental plants

Vannino Vannuci, CEO of Vannucci Piante, Italy

Francesco Ferrini, University of Florence, Italy

2) **Research Centre for Crop Production (CRPV) and Italian Cooperative of Nurseries (CAV)**, two essential actors of the Italian plant production innovation scene

Nicola Minerva, ASTRA-CRPV, Italy, on new production techniques, new technologies in agriculture and biodiversity protection

Marco Pancaldi, CAV, Italy, on producing healthy plants with greater vigour and plant diagnostics innovations from the human medical sector

Followed by discussions

• 14:00 - 16:00

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DAY 3: 02/07

HORIZON EUROPE AND CLUSTER OPPORTUNITIES

• 10:00 - 11:30

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Horizon Europe and Cluster Opportunities

Christophe Guichard, European Commission on Euroclusters

Kristina Sermuksnyte-Alesiuniene, General manager, AgriFood Lithuania on European DIH

Dirk Carrez, Bio-Based Industries Consortium (BIC) on European Partnership for Circular Bio-based Europe (CBE) - tbc

Emma Sidgwick, of Flanders Food, Belgium, on Clusters and BBI projects involvement

Followed by a Discussion Panel of PIC clusters' representatives including, **Vegepolys-Valley**, **Biovegen**, **FEMAC**, **Corporación Tecnológica de Andalucía**, **Ind-Agro-Pol**, **GreenPortWestHolland**, **AgriSudOuestInnovation**, **Innov'Alliance**, **AgroCluster**, **UNIMOS**, **Food&Bio Cluster Denmark** and **AgriFood Emilia-Romagna**.

*PLEASE NOTE:

THIS SESSION IS OPEN ONLY TO CLUSTER STAFF MEMBERS
AND PUBLIC AUTHORITIES STAFF

• 11:30-12:30

CLOSING

On the Road to International Horticulture Congress 2022

Marco Foschini, Manager of Agrifood Clust-ER, Emilia-Romagna, Italy

Fabio Boscaleri, Tuscany Region Brussels office, Italy

Nicolas Fégeant, Vegepolys Valley, France

François Laurens, President of International Horticulture Congress 2022, France

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