



AGENDA AND VENUE

ERIAFF CONFERENCE 2022 14 OF JUNE 2022, TUESDAY Eastern European Time (EET)	
Timetable	Sessions
9:00 – 9:30	Registration, coffee
9:30 – 9:40	Opening speech: Mr. Georgios Kefalas Vice Governor of Rural Development, Region of Central Macedonia
This morning session is organized by EIT FOOD and the Region of Central Macedonia Moderator: Vicky Krystallidou	
9:40 – 9:55	Keynote Speech : Elvira Domingo The role of EIT Food in transforming the agri-food sector
9:55 – 10:05	Keynote Speech: Betty Alexandropoulou , <i>Executive Director and member of the Board, Enterprise Greece</i> (video)
10:05-10:50	Panel Discussion: The importance of digitalization in Agriculture <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • George Profitiliotis, <i>Foresight Expert at the UNESCO Chair on Futures Research in Greece, hosted in FORTH/PRAXI, Former National Contact Point of EIT</i> • Ioannis Chaniotakis, <i>Senior Director, Agricultural Sector Operations Development at Piraeus Bank</i> • Ioannis Mavroudis, <i>BoD Member Neuropublic/GAIA Epixeirein & Vice President Agro-Nutritional Partnership of The Region of Central Macedonia</i> • Athanasios Gertsis, <i>Professor at Perrotis College, American Farm School of Thessaloniki</i> • Ioannis Koufoudakis, <i>Executive Director of COGNITERA S.A.</i> • Konstantinos Votis, <i>Researcher, Information Technologies Institute, CERTH</i>
10:50 -11:35	Panel Discussion: Smart Farming & Innovation in Agriculture <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Georgios Kefalas, <i>Vice Governor of Rural development, Region of Central Macedonia</i> • Ilias Kalfas, <i>Senior Researcher, The American Farm School of Thessaloniki</i> • Fotis Chatzipapadopoulos, <i>CEO Smart AgroHub</i> • Vassilis Polychronos, <i>CTO Geosense</i> • Vaggelis Vasiliadis, <i>CEO Agrostis</i> • Dimitris Kouvas, <i>CEO Scientact</i>
11:35 – 11:50	Coffee Break
11:50 – 12:00	Roundtable: Food Crisis 2022: The Agrifood Sector Resilience through crises Keynote Speech: Begoña Perez-Villarreal, EIT Food CLC South Director

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12:00- 12:45	<p>Panel Discussion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Christiana Kalogirou, <i>Secretary General of Agro & Food Development, tbc</i> • Konstantinos Styliaras, <i>Deputy Head, Institute of Federation of Industries of Greece (INSBE)</i> • Anagnostis Argiriou, <i>Professor of the Aegean University, Deputy Director of the Institute of Applied Biosciences (CERTH)</i> • Spiridon Mamalis, <i>President of the Geotechnical Chamber of Greece</i> • Konstandinos Mattas, <i>Professor of Agricultural Policy, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki</i>
12:45-13:35	<p>Fireside Chat: How can the Agri-food sector of “today” meet the challenges of “tomorrow”?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Begoña Perez- Villarreal, <i>EIT Food CLC South Director</i> • Stamatis Aggelopoulos, <i>Vice-Rector for Research and Lifelong Learning, International Hellenic University</i> • Theodoros Tsamourtzis, <i>Managing director of the AgroTech Export Cluster</i> • Vasilis Stenos, <i>Founder and CEO Solmeya</i> • Vaya Piteli, <i>National Contact Point of Horizon Europe</i> • Ioannis Papadimitriou, <i>Communication director, IDGC – EITFOOD Hub Greece</i>
13:35 – 14:30	<p>Light Lunch - Networking</p>
14:30 – 16:30	<p>Political session: An open discussion about ERIAFF approaches, priorities and future developments from the perspective of political representatives.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Video message from Stefania Saccardi, <i>ERIAFF Political Coordinator and Regional Minister for Agriculture, Tuscany Region</i> • Roberto Scalacci, <i>Director for Agriculture and Rural Development, Tuscany Region</i> • Georgios Kefalas, <i>Vice Governor of Rural development, Region of Central Macedonia</i> • Ilse Zaal, <i>Minister of Provincie Noord Holland</i> • Jan Nico Appelman, <i>Minister of Provincie Flevoland</i> • Carmen Gonzalez, <i>Director of Centre for Scientific and Technological Research in Extremadura</i> • Mikko Savola, <i>South Ostrobothnia Finland, Member of the Finnish Parliament and chairman of the Regional assembly.</i> • Jon Jauregui, <i>Head of Organic Production Systems of Regional Ministry of Agriculture, Livestock, Fisheries and Sustainable Development of Andalusia</i> • Ton Jonker, <i>Director of economic affairs, Provincie Zuid-Holland</i>
16:30 – 18:30	<p>Projects and Good practices from ERIAFF members:</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rural-Urban Partnerships Motivating Regional Economies (RUMORE, INTERREG EUROPE). Andreas Obersteg, <i>Hafen City University</i> • The Extremadura Agriculture and Forestry Research Systems: Regional Practices towards Climate Neutrality. Carmen Gonzalez, <i>Director of Centre for Scientific and Technological Research in Extremadura</i> • H2020 NEFERTITI Project. Supporting Demo Farms and their networking in European AKIS. Adrien Guichaoua, <i>Project coordinator, ACTA France</i> • Testing the plan for the development of a Digital Innovation Hub in the Agri-food sector, through a field research and a digital application in the rice value chain (RUMORE pilot). Dr. Dimitrios Katsantonis, <i>ELGO – DEMETER</i> • FoodPaths Horizon 2020 project. Safe and sustainable FOOD Systems PARtnersHip. Terhi Junkkari, <i>Principal Lecturer, SeAMK Seinajoki University of Applied Sciences.</i> • Internationalisation support for European companies in covid- and post-covid times. Lessons learned from FoodPackLab 2. Gawel Walczak, <i>International Affairs Manager, Secpho</i> • Innovation of the Greenportcluster in Zuid-Holland. Marga Vintges, <i>Strategic Advisor, Municipality of Westland and Greenport West-Holland</i> • EFI Bioregions Facility: Survey on the Bioeconomy Perception in European Regions. Siebe Briers, <i>European Forest Institute</i> • Blockstart (Interreg B North-West Europe). Maaike Buchner, <i>East Netherlands Development Agency</i> • The role of agriculture development agency on AKIS: INNOVAMARCHE as public innovation broker, Cristina Frittelloni, <i>ASSAM, Marche Region</i>
<p>ERIAFF CONFERENCE 2022 15 OF JUNE 2022, WEDNESDAY Eastern European Time (EET)</p>	
8:45 – 9:00	Registration, Coffee
9:00 – 11:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Workshop1, Plenary meeting room: Joint Workshop of the AGROECOLOGY – PLANT BASED PROTEINS – PLANTS working groups • Workshop 2, Breakout room #2: Meeting of the FOOD SYSTEMS Working Group • Workshop 3, Breakout room #3: Meeting of the FORESTED REGIONS Working Group
11:00 – 11:30	Coffee Break
11:30 – 13:30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Workshop 4, Plenary meeting room:

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	<p>Joint brokerage session of the AGROECOLOGY – PLANT BASED PROTEINS – PLANTS Working Group</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Workshop 5, Breakout room #2: Meeting of the SOCIAL INNOVATION Working Group Workshop 6, Breakout room #3: Meeting of the BIOREGIONS Working group
13:30 – 14:30	Light Lunch - Networking
14:30 - 17:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Plenary meeting room: Projects Ideas Pitching Session organized by the European Enterprise Network. Projects and Good practices from ERIAFF members: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prepsol Soil Health Mission HE Project. The project will set the base for a wide understanding of Soil Health needs across Europe. Irene Palomino, <i>Fundecyt-Pctex</i> Myriad-EU H2020. The project offers new ways to assess trade-offs and synergies in economic sectors such as agriculture and the way disaster risks are managed, <i>MYRIAD Consortium Representative</i> Workshop7, Breakout room #2: Meeting of the S3 HIGH TECH FARMING Partnership Free brokerage and project development breakout room #3
<p>ERIAFF CONFERENCE 2022 16 OF JUNE 2022, THURSDAY Eastern European Time (EET)</p>	
8:30 – 9:00	Registration, coffee
9:00 -12:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Results and wrap-up messages from Working Groups meetings Closing remarks by the Host Region and the ERIAFF Coordinator
12:00 – 12:15	Coffee Break
12:15 – 16:30	<p>Study visits:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The American Farm School's DEMO FARM. <i>Organized in the frame of the H2020 NEFERTITI project, the visit includes a meeting with relevant AKIS actors and a final policy dialogue to discuss the importance of regional and national support tools.</i> Ktima Gerovassiliou (vineyard) <i>On the slopes of Epanomi, a few kilometres from the city of Thessaloniki, a meticulously-tended vineyard surrounds the modern winery, where the renowned Ktima Gerovassiliou wines are produced. Ktima Gerovassiliou has been involved in vine cultivation and winemaking since 1981.</i>

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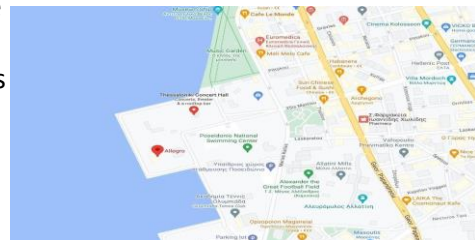
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