

FINAL INTERNATIONAL EVENT

WP 2 Communication activities

Activity 2.5 International activities and participation to
extra project events

Report

GECO2 – Green Economy and CO2

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Summary

On 4th May 2022, the international conference “GECO2 Un modello sperimentale di mercato regionale di crediti di carbonio applicato all’agricoltura” (GECO2 Experimenting a model of carbon credit regional market applied to agriculture) was organized in the framework of MacFrut 2022, Fruit & Veg Professional Show.

The recording of the event is available at the following link:

- [GECO2 Un modello sperimentale di mercato regionale di crediti di carbonio applicato all’agricoltura](#)

Below the poster of the event, the agenda, the minutes and the pictures.

Agenda

English version




GECO2
 EXPERIMENTING A MODEL OF CARBON CREDIT
 REGIONAL MARKET APPLIED TO AGRICULTURE

FINAL EVENT | INVITATION
 MAY 4th 2022 | h 14.30 | MACFRUT 2022
 Rimini Expo Centre | Sala Diotallevi 2
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AGENDA

h 14.30 Welcome greetings

PAOLO DE CASTRO

European Union Parliament

ELLY SCHLEIN

Vice president Emilia-Romagna Region

Chairperson

MARINA KOVARI

Expert in social innovation and environmental communication

h 15.00 Interreg Italy-Croatia Programme and GECO2 project

DIANA GRACIN PETROVIĆ

Joint Secretariat of Interreg Italy-Croatia Programme

GECO2 project overview: results and tools

GIUSEPPE BORTONE

ARPAE

CLIMATE OBSERVATORY

ARPAE

h 15.30 Common agricultural policy and sustainability

GIUSEPPE BLASI

MIPAAF

h 15.50 Coffee break

h 16.00 Agricultural credit market: proposals and initiatives

ISABELLA FODERÀ

RRN-ISMEA

h 16.20 EU policies for carbon markets in agriculture

NICOLA DI VIRGILIO

EU Commission - DG AGRI

h 16.40 Wrap-up and round table

Chairperson

CRISTIAN MARETTI

President Legacoop Agroalimentare

TESTIMONIALS

GECO2 pilot market participants

h 17.30 Conclusions

ALESSIO MAMMI

Councilor for Agriculture - Emilia-Romagna Region

Italian version



GECO2

UN MODELLO SPERIMENTALE DI MERCATO REGIONALE
DI CREDITI DI CARBONIO APPLICATO ALL'AGRICOLTURA

EVENTO FINALE | INVITO

04.05.2022 | h 14,30 | MACFRUT 2022

Fiera di Rimini | Sala Diotallevi 2

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PROGRAMMA

h 14.30 *Saluti di benvenuto*

PAOLO DE CASTRO

Parlamento Unione Europea

ELLY SCHLEIN

Vicepresidente Regione Emilia-Romagna

Moderatrice

MARINA KOVARI

Esperta di innovazione sociale e comunicazione ambientale

h 15.00 *Il programma Interreg Italia-Croazia e il progetto GECO2*

DIANA GRACIN PETROVIĆ

Segretariato congiunto del programma Interreg Italia-Croazia

Presentazione del progetto GECO2: Risultati e strumenti

GIUSEPPE BORTONE

ARPAE

STAFF TECNICO OSSERVATORIO CLIMA

ARPAE

h 15.30 *Politica agricola comune e sostenibilità*

GIUSEPPE BLASI

MIPAAF

h 15.50 *Coffee break*

h 16.00 *Il mercato dei crediti agricoli: proposte e iniziative*

ISABELLA FODERÀ

RRN-ISMEA

h 16.20 *Politiche UE per i mercati di carbonio in agricoltura*

NICOLA DI VIRGILIO

Commissione UE - DG AGRI

h 16.40 *Tavola rotonda*

Moderatore

CRISTIAN MARETTI

Presidente Legacoop Agroalimentare

TESTIMONIANZE

Organizzazioni partecipanti al mercato dei crediti di CO2e di GECO2

h 17.30 *Conclusioni*

ALESSIO MAMMI

Assessore all'agricoltura e agroalimentare, caccia e pesca della Regione Emilia-Romagna

Minutes

The main aim of the project meeting has been the presentation of the project GECO2 and its achievements and at the same time to provide an overview of the state-of-the-art concerning projects and legislation at different levels (European, Italian and Regional) about the topics addressed by GECO2.

Paolo De Castro (Deputy of the EU Parliament) opened the meeting citing GECO2 as a leader project in the perspective of carbon farming and voluntary carbon market in agriculture, two assets fostered by the EU Commission.

Diana Gracin Petrović (Joint Secretariat of Interreg Italy-Croatia programme) has presented the programme that has financed GECO2, with insights about the next Programme 2021-2027 and the financed assets.

Afterwards, Giuseppe Bortone, Director of ARPAE, introduced the project GECO2, framing it under the sustainability pillar of the ARPAE activity. Antonio Cinti (Project Manager) and Antonio Volta (ARPAE) have deepened the technical aspects of the project presenting the results and the tools developed during the activities.

Afterwards Elly Schlein, vice President of the Emilia-Romagna region, has described the efforts of the region Emilia-Romagna towards the climate crisis including adaptation and mitigation strategies.

Nicola Di Virgilio (DG Agri) explained the main topics contained in the communication from the EU Commission on sustainable carbon cycles, dated 15 December 2021, which represents a first step towards a certification framework. Moreover, Di Virgilio has shown the most important milestone of the path towards a sustainable agriculture and carbon market: last April the EU agriculture ministers approved their conclusions on carbon sequestration in agricultural soils.

The results of that meeting of the Council of Agriculture Ministers were described by Giuseppe Blasi, head of the Department of European and International Policies at Mipaaf. The main achievement was the statement of the necessity to define a certification framework based on scientific methods and verifiable tools concerning both the monitoring, reporting, verification of the volumes of carbon emitted and stored.

Finally, Isabella Foderà from Ismea, in collaboration with the National Rural Network, is also working on a similar project, Zootechnical Districts: a voluntary local market initiative, aiming at reducing and compensating greenhouse gas emissions by livestock farms. Entrepreneurs of livestock sector, other



farmers, citizens, local institutions and entrepreneurs from other sectors will therefore participate in the local and voluntary market.

A roundtable discussion was held, moderated by Cristian Maretti where testimonials (buyers and sellers) from the GECO2 carbon market brought their experience, together with interventions and considerations of potential players of the voluntary market.

Participant composition

The audience was composed by public sector representatives (ARPA - regional environmental agencies, regional departments), agronomists, researchers from public and private centers, farmers, SMEs and generic public.

Event pictures



Event follow-up

The webinar was recorded and loaded on the YouTube channel of GECO2:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Rh968xXg3jk> (290 visualization, 7 like)