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AGFOSY NEWSLETTER #3

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AGFOSY is an EU funded Erasmus+ project that will create a flexible training system relating to agroforestry. It will be based on case studies and best practices that will provide farmers and landowners with the skills, knowledge and competencies to implement agroforestry systems on their own farms.

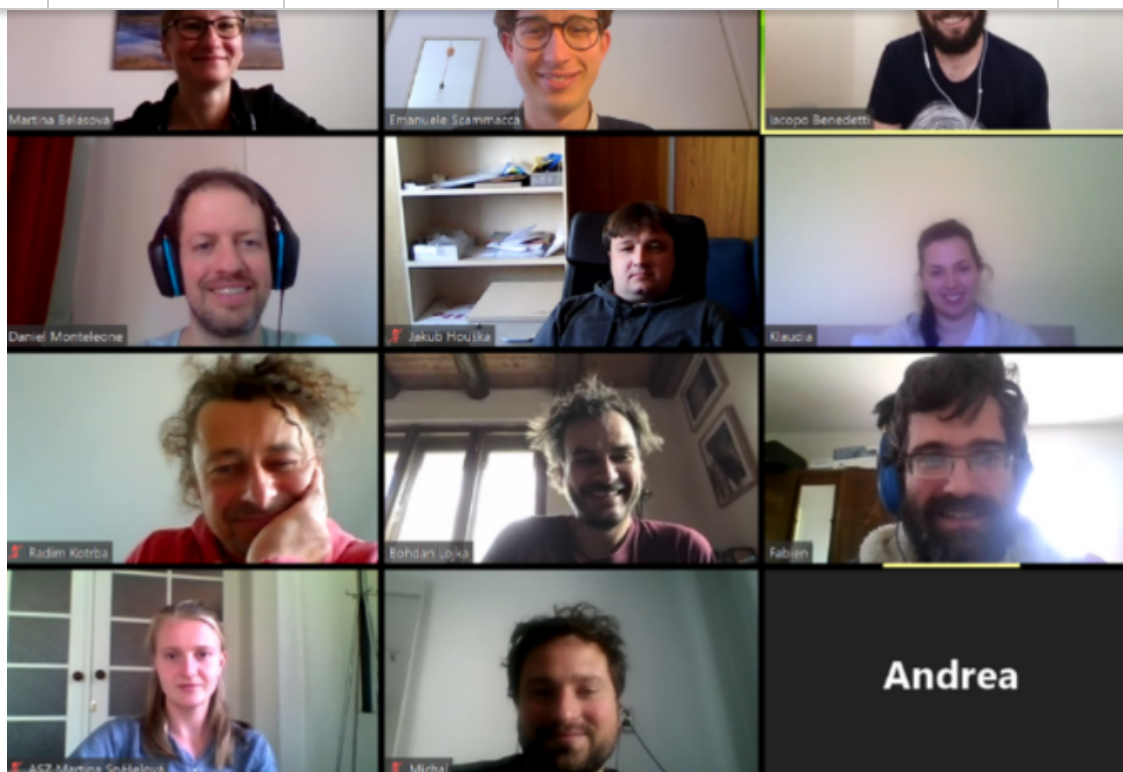
Agroforestry (AF) is a land-use system where trees are grown in association with agricultural crops or livestock on the same land. Such measures can bring a wide range of positive benefits to land management, as well as to help landowners to achieve the goals of the Common Agricultural Policy.

The project began in 2018 and will run for 24 months. The consortium is made up of 7 partners from 6 countries.

The project will:

- Create a state-of-the-art analysis on the situation of agroforestry implementation in partner countries
- Compile a set of interesting case studies that will represent the core content of the training system
- Develop methodological sheets for establishment and management of agroforestry
- Develop training materials with introductory videos.

4th Project Meeting

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The 4th international project should have taken place in Sopron at the beginning of May 2020. Due to the complex epidemiological situation in Europe, the meeting took place online but the agenda was full of great topics.

The meeting began with discussion of project administration, with explanations of the situations in each of the partner countries and how the project would continue in light of the continued travel bans. As anticipated, all countries have at least some travel restrictions, thus making future conference planning quite difficult.

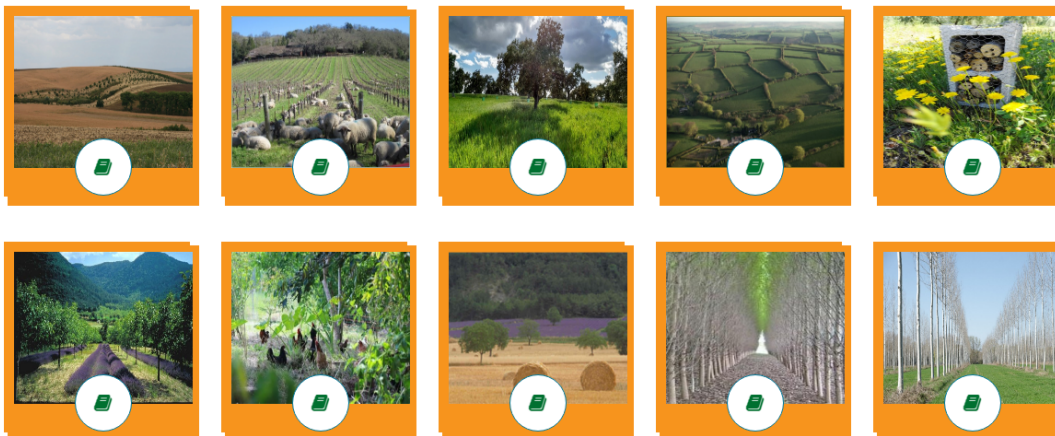
Next was a discussion of the remaining Intellectual outputs; an in-depth final discussion about Intellectual Outputs 3 & 4 will follow later in this newsletter. At present, all intellectual outputs continue to proceed successfully, though unfortunately Covid19 has created a few delays in some processes. Intellectual outputs 1 through 4 have been published with only the videos from Intellectual Output 5 to be posted.

The meeting concluded with a discussion of project reporting and reviewing the final steps of the project, as it will be coming to an end November 30, 2020.

Intellectual Outputs

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systems, management and practice of tree planting, silvopastoral agroforestry systems, silvoarable agroforestry systems, economy and the legal aspects in European agroforestry etc.



Speaking of Intellectual Output 3, it is now available both on the website and in PDF form so it can be used in sharing with farmers and others interested in agroforestry and developing their land. Pollarding, riparian buffers, and producing tree fodder are just a few of the topics you can learn about. For example, did you know that riparian buffers prevent water from heating too much, banks from eroding too fast and support freshwater life? Or that tree fodder can provide a source of feed in the winter when dried and stored?

These are just a few of the great facts you can learn from our website. In regards to Intellectual Output 4, you can also find it on our website. These Study materials contain 10 modules (presentations) with information about major agroforestry systems in Europe, ecological aspects of agroforestry, the historical context to agroforestry systems, management and practice of tree planting, silvopastoral agroforestry systems, silvoarable agroforestry systems, economy and the legal aspects in European agroforestry etc.

Final Conference

Lastly, we're proud to announce the AGFOSY Final Conference, which will be on November 2nd at 10:30. The conference will be held virtually, with the link available at our website: <https://www.agroforestrysystems.eu/> and elsewhere.

Meet the Partners

The Association of Private Farming of the Czech Republic is a voluntary professional organisation of private farmers in the Czech Republic. All its activities are based on

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agriculture and a lively countryside.

The Czech Association for Agroforestry is an NGO, whose main objective is to promote agroforestry in the Czech Republic. CSAL is focused on building awareness among a broad range of stakeholders working in the rural environment about positive impacts of agroforestry systems.



On Projects is a project management consultancy company. Its main focus is advising companies, associations, and public bodies on the management, monitoring and evaluation of publicly funded projects.

The Co-operational Centre of the **University of Sopron** focuses on research activities in the field of Environmental Resources Management, Agroforestry and Improvement of the methodology, and practical implementation of environmental impact assessment procedures. Work is carried out on a participatory basis, in cooperation with experts at the University's faculties and networks of stakeholders.



The French Agroforestry Association aims to promote and encourage the development of agroforestry across France. The association is involved in a number of projects ranging from research and development through awareness raising and education.

National Forest Centre is a semi-budgetary forestry agency established by the Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development of the Slovak Republic. The agency is in charge of the research and development of all areas of forestry, addressing the issues relating to the natural environment and human activities.



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beyond. They represent the interests of landowners, land managers and rural entrepreneurs at the European level. ELO is committed to supporting sustainable development, conservation and the responsible use of natural resources.

If you would like to keep up to date with the project development, you can follow us on the links below.



GDPR (General Data Protection Regulation)

As of 25 May 2018, the EU General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) is in effect. Our newsletters are sent by email to make you aware of how the AGFOSY project is progressing. If you're happy with the emails you receive from us, you do not need to take any action. We will continue to send email updates to keep you informed about the AGFOSY project. If you no longer wish to receive these emails, just click **"unsubscribe"** at the bottom of this email and we will remove your email address immediately from our mailing list. If you have questions regarding your data, please contact the Project at info.agfosy@gmail.com



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