

SOFIE3 2024 programme

Brussels and hybrid – 16-17th January 2024



Day 1 - Tuesday 16th January 2024

10h00 – 11h15	<p>Session 1 - Political and market context</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fabien Santini (European Commission, DG AGRI) - <i>Political and market context for fertilisers</i> Antoine Hoxha (Fertilizers Europe) - <i>Complementarity between mineral and organic nutrients - the role of plant nutrition</i> Alberto Persona (S&P/Fertecon) - <i>Waste-to-value vs. chemical fertilizers: a cost-to-market approach</i> Dominique Dejonckheere (Copa-Cogeca) - <i>Obstacles to the circular economy of organic matter used as fertiliser in agriculture</i>
11h15 – 11h45	Coffee Break
11h45 – 13h00	<p>Session 2 - Agronomic benefits and application practices</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Renske Hijbeek (WUR) - <i>Does the evidence show that organic carbon input to soils result in increased crop yields?</i> Sergio Godoy Casas (Yara) - <i>Combining organic and mineral fertilisation: knowledge, benefits, challenges, perspectives</i> <p>Poster pitches</p>
13h00 – 14h00	Lunch Break
14h00 – 16h00	<p>Session 3 – Agronomic benefits and application practices (I)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Kerstin Rosenow (European Commission, DG AGRI Research and Innovation) - <i>The Mission 'A Soil Deal for Europe': testing solutions for healthy soils and sustainable soil management</i> Kari Ylivainio (Lex4bio/Luke) - <i>Agronomic efficiency of organic fertilizers in various growing conditions in Europe</i> Ana Robles Aguilar (Fertimanure/UVic) - <i>Fertimanure Trials: Unveiling the Long-Term Efficacy of manure-derived Biobased Fertilizers</i> Parveen Rupani (Cranfield University) - <i>Effect of organo-mineral fertiliser on Spring wheat (Mulika) growth and root development</i>
16h00 – 16h30	Coffee Break
16h30 – 17h30	<p>Session 4 – Agronomic benefits and application practices (II)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tommaso Barsali (RE-CORD) - <i>Co-composted biochar improves barley yield, manure use efficiency and offsets chemical fertilizer demand in organic agriculture under low rainfall conditions</i> Sylwia and Grzegorz Siebielec (Poland Institute of Soil Science and Plant Cultivation) - <i>Combining organic fertilisers and microorganisms to support crop resistance to drought</i> John Williams (ADAS) - <i>Fertiliser Use – Best practice to minimise costs and losses to the environment</i>
17h30	Networking drinks and poster session

Day 2 - Wednesday 17th January 2024

9.30	<p>Session 5 - Regulatory update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ana-Lucia Crisan (European Commission, DG GROW) Laura Van Schöll (NMI) - <i>Guidance document on the technical documentation for EU fertilising products</i> Brent Riechelman (NMI) - <i>Future elaboration of the FPR with new component materials</i>
10h30 – 11h00	Coffee Break
11h00 – 13h00	<p>Session 6 - Regulatory update (I)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Giel Tettelaar (EFCD Register) - <i>1.5 years of the FPR, what we learned in practice</i> Dorottya Lőrincz (Certrust) - <i>The main challenges of Module D1</i> Roland de Bruijne (Knoell) - <i>Experiences with the FPR</i> Murray Smedley (Barkwith Associates Ltd) - <i>FPR in practice & opportunities for GB</i> <p>Q&A on regulatory aspects</p>
13h00 – 14h00	Lunch Break
14h00 – 16h00	<p>Session 7 - Environment, carbon benefits, LCA, Circular Economy, business models</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ana-Marija Špicnagel (Fertimanure/IPS Konzalting) - <i>Development of business plans and business models for more sustainable manure management</i> Lucile Sever (EBA) - <i>Recycling nutrients and regenerating soil with digestate</i> Leon Fock (Eurofema) - <i>Real Environmental benefits? LCAs, Nutrient Release and nutrient use efficiency</i> <p>Session 8 - Final panel on how to move from “local waste” to “European industry” – Penelope Vincent-Sweet (EEB/ECOS), Lucile Sever (EBA), Leon Fock (Eurofema), Sergio Godoy (Yara), Ana-Lucia Crisan (European Commission, DG GROW), Cecilia Dardes (Fertilizers Europe)</p>
16h00	Close

Posters

- Emma Burak (Cranfield University/Yara) - *The assessment of organo-mineral fertilisers GHG emissions*
- Marina Pasteris (FER-PLAY/EBA) – *Fer-Play – Circular fertilisers for healthy soils*
- Ari-Matti Seppänen (Natural Resources Institute Finland) - *DeliSoil – a new EU Horizon funded Mission Soil project*
- Nicola Parfitt (Sanitation360) - *Pee today, a loaf of bread tomorrow – A cycle of nutrients*
- Andrea Salimbeni (RE-CORD) - *Patented thermochemical process to turn biosolids into Phosphorus-rich inorganic fertilizer and biocoal*
- Ari-Matti Seppänen (Natural Resources Institute Finland) - *Biopaja – A regional lighthouse demonstration site to find solutions in producing bio-based fertilizers, soil improvers and energy*

Sponsors Posters

- SILC and Arche Consulting - *EU Reg. 2019/1009: Navigating Organic-based CMCs within Compliant PFCs*

Venue

- Hotel Le Plaza Brussels
- Address and metro access: Adolphe Maxlaan 118, 1000 Brussel, public transport stop Rogier (metro 2 and 6, tram 3, 4, 25, 55)



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18th January 2024 - Brussels and online
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