



4th World Congress
on Agroforestry

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20-22 MAY 2019
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Amazing keynote speakers, legendary practitioners, half a dozen plenaries and over 30 parallel sessions will bring food for everyone's thoughts.



FOR THE FIRST TIME IN EUROPE

the World Congress on Agroforestry!

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Over one thousand agroforestry geeks will come together to bring news of agroforestry's progress from the four corners of the globe, celebrate achievements, push global policymakers to support agroforestry, and discuss the most up-to-date research into these amazing land use systems, which, by combining trees, crops and/or animals, can...

WHY AGROFORESTRY?

Combat land degradation

Many agroforestry technologies may help to restore soils and to combat land degradation and desertification. For example, trees can stabilize the soil, especially when they are used in terracing and contour cultivation to prevent soil erosion. They can also protect soils against wind erosion. Their branches can be pruned and applied as mulch to increase soil organic matter and nutrient status.



WHY AGROFORESTRY?

Adapt to and mitigate climate change

Agroforestry systems are known to sequester large amounts of carbon in the tree biomass. Research has also shown a positive impact of agroforestry systems on soil organic carbon stocks, especially after conversion from croplands.



Shade trees are often used to protect crops from excess heat and light in the tropics, where agroforestry is clearly seen as a way to adapt to climate change. The potential for adapting temperate agriculture to climate change through agroforestry is being studied.

WHY AGROFORESTRY?

Improve global food security

Thanks to the complementarity between trees and crops, agroforestry systems are usually more productive than the separate production of trees and crops. Thus they might participate in food security and in poverty alleviation, especially in remote areas.





The congress

The congress will welcome not only scientists but also farmers, policymakers and agroforestry practitioners. Side events **including the launch of the IAAF, the International Union for Agroforestry, the 40th Anniversary of the World Agroforestry Centre, and the launch of a pan-European initiative** to support agroforestry, will broaden the audience's global horizons. Foundations and NGOs working on and for agroforestry will present their activities. Debates with the general public will also be held as side-events.



You can make a difference!

Agroforestry is a free, almost universally adaptative way to improve global food security, pollute less and mitigate climate change. There is no patent on agroforestry: only good practice guidelines. And you can help us reach more people and help them discover agroforestry!

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