



# AGROMIX Summit: Agroforestry for the Future of European Agriculture

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# Agenda

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**9 am – 5 pm (CET)**

The Square, Brussels  
Coudenberg 3  
B-1000 Brussels

Time	Session
08:30	<b>Registration</b>
09:00	<b>Introduction</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Opening:</b> <b>Professor Dr Ulrich Schmutz</b>, AGROMIX Project Coordinator and Professor of Organic Horticulture and Ecological Economics at the University of Coventry <b>Professor Tommy Dalgaard</b>, Coordinator of EU project MIXED and Manager of the research section for Agricultural Systems and Sustainability at the Aarhus University, Department of Agroecology</li><li>• <b>The importance of transforming the EU food system towards sustainability and resilience</b> <b>Elise Van Broeckhoven</b>, Farmer at Plukboerderij GRONDIG</li><li>• <b>Why the EU is supporting research projects on agroforestry and mixed farming</b> <b>Susana Gaona Sáez</b>, Research Policy Officer at the EU Commission (DG AGRI)</li></ul>
09:35	<b>Agroforestry in the European context</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>The potential of agroforestry and mixed farming for the transformation of the European food system: key results of the AGROMIX Project</b> - <b>Felix Herzog</b>, Agroscope, and <b>Ulrich Schmutz</b></li><li>• <b>The challenges and barriers for the implementation of Agroforestry in Europe</b> <b>Gerry Lawson</b>, Policy Analyst at European Agroforestry Federation and <b>Lisa Haller</b>, Policy Expert at EU CAP Network</li><li>• <b>The current policy environment of agroforestry in Europe</b> <b>Paola Migliorini</b>, Associate Professor at the University of Gastronomic Science (UNISG) and co-founder Agroecology Europe, and <b>Rosemary Venn</b>, Researcher at the Centre for Agroecology, Water and Resilience, University of Coventry</li></ul>
10:45	<b>Coffee Break</b>
11:00	<b>World Cafe</b> <p>Discussion among participants on how to promote and implement agroforestry and mixed farming in EU and national policies, plus more!</p>



13:00 **Lunch**

14:00 **The importance of peasant farming and agroecology in the transformation of the EU Food System**  
Tijs Boelens, Farmer at De Groentelaar

14:15 **Presentation of the main results of the morning session and introduction to the afternoon session**  
by Paola Migliorini

14:30 **Debate with high level panel and questions from the audience**  
moderated by journalist Natasha Foote

**Panelists:**

- Anja Gassner, EU Director of CIFOR-ICRAF
- Humberto Delgado Rosa, Director ENVI.D - Biodiversity (DG ENVI)
- Morgan Ody, General Coordinator La Via Campesina
- Patrick Worms, Senior Science Policy Advisor at CIFOR-ICRAF and President of the International Union of Agroforestry (IUAf)
- Tamas Szedlak, Forestry Expert at the EU Commission (DG AGRI)
- Alberto Mantino, Assistant Professor at Department of Agriculture, Food and Environment of the University of Pisa

16:10 **Artistic interpretation of the summit** by Fanny Didou, Graphic Facilitator

16:25 **Conclusion, next steps**  
Paola Migliorini and Vincent Dauby, Researcher in agroecology at Agroecology Europe

16:35 **Coffee Break and Networking**  
End of the Summit

\* Note to reader: This early agenda is subject to change. Please stay tuned for more information closer to the event.