



Policy Transform #1 Do the rural development plans help to make agrifood sector Climate Smart?

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Avenue d'Auderghem 22-28
(close to Round Point Schuman)
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Starting at 14:00

You are invited to participate in Policy Transform #1

The Climate Smart Agriculture (CSA) Booster helps European agri and food sector to become climate smart and competitive. Policies are supporting, but are also hampering this transformation. We want to change this! In the Policy Transform, policymakers, experts and solution providers and users assess in an open discussion current bottlenecks and opportunities in policies and explore how to transform this.

Policy Transform #1 focusses on CSA opportunities and CSA barriers in the new Rural Development Programmes, as part of the Common Agriculture Policy.

Rural policies are already in place to consider climate concerns. We wonder how agricultural policies, including the Common Agricultural Policy and the Rural Development Programmes, are integrating adaptation and mitigation strategies.

The Policy Transform #1 precedes the presentation of the CSA booster on November 19 to the European Parliament on the commitment European policy makers in facilitating the adoption of CSA solution within a circular economy framework. You are also welcomed to join this event.

Participation is free, but registration is needed: [here](#).



Programme

- 14:00 – 14:20 The CSA booster and getting to know each other
by Nicola Di Virgilio
- 14:20 - 15:00 Mainstreaming climate concerns in agricultural policies.
Invited speakers will summarise how the CAP is integrating
climate concerns.
- 15:00 – 15:30 Assessing Rural Development Programmes of 4 regions on their
CSA potential: presentation of results
- Valencia, Spain
 - Emilia – Romagna, Italy,
 - The Netherlands
 - Switzerland
- By Prof. Jose Maria Garcia Alvarez-Coque (University
Politechnique of Valencia)
- 15:30 – 15:50 Break
- 15: 30 – 16:45 Discussing on the findings and sharing experiences on CSA in
rural development plans: opportunities and bottlenecks
- 16:45 – 17:00 Conclusions

