

PEGASUS Workshop

The potential for provision of environmental and social benefits through farming and forestry in remote and marginal areas, including mountains

Venue: Albert Schweitzer Haus Schwarzspanierstraße 13 A-1090 Vienna, Austria

30 November 2017 (9:00-16:00)

<u>Objectives</u>: This one day event aims to share and discuss the emerging findings from the PEGASUS project, mainly with stakeholders concerned with the future of mountainous and remote areas, including Austria. The workshop will discuss how stakeholders and farmers and foresters can work together to improve environmental and social outcomes in remote and marginal areas, including mountains. It is intended that these discussions should feed into the debate on how national and EU policies, including the Common Agricultural Policy, could evolve post 2020.

<u>Background</u>: PEGASUS is a multidisciplinary Horizon 2020 project (http://pegasus.ieep.eu/) whose aim is to investigate ways to enhance the provision of environmental and social benefits from EU agriculture and forests. Partners are drawn from 10 Member States and include ecologists, rural sociologists, economists, geographers, policy analysts from academic institutions as well as NGOs and think tanks.

<u>Context</u>: This event is part of a series of three seminars in different locations of the EU: The Hague (16 November 2017), Lisbon (24 November 2017) and Vienna (30 November 2017). The emerging findings and lessons are the results from three years of participatory research and analysis. More specifically, the objectives of the seminar are to:

- Share the findings from 34 case studies carried out in 10 Member States and present new EU
 maps showing the linkages between agriculture and forest management systems and the
 delivery of public goods and ecosystem services;
- Present preliminary lessons and recommendations for policy and practice
- Receive feedback from national policy makers and practice.

The event is organised by the BABF team in Austria on behalf of PEGASUS.





Agenda

9.00: Registration and coffee

09.30: Welcome and introduction

- Lukas Weber-Hajszan, Head of Unit Agri-Environmental policy and Mountain Farmers support (Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry, Environment and Water Management, Austria)
- Introduction by the Chair David Baldock (IEEP)

09.45: Setting the scene – a policy introduction - **Eleftheria Vounouki** (EC DG AGRI Unit C1: Policy Perspectives)

10.15: Introduction to PEGASUS - Anne Maréchal (IEEP, PEGASUS project manager)

10.30: PEGASUS preliminary results and tools

- Transferable methods and toolkit for practice Jaroslav Prazan (CCRI, UK)
- Implications for policy and practice Kaley Hart (IEEP)

11.30: Break

11.45: Need to focus on "Areas of Natural Constraints" (remote and mountain areas) - **Thomas Dax** (BABF, Austria)

12.00: Presentation of selected PEGASUS case studies and introduction to the lunch poster session

- Agro-forestry in sub-alpine Slovenia (Upper Savinja Valley) Ilona Rac (University of Ljubljana)
- Organic farming label in the mountain Murau region in Austria **Thilo Nigmann** (BABF)
- Birds and amphibians support on wet meadows in Czech Republic Jaroslav Prazan (UZEI)
- Bergamot, niche and organic products in Calabria in Italy Francesco Vanni (CREA)

Questions & Answers

12.30: Lunch, including poster sessions and two discussion groups

14.15: Panel discussion 'How to enhance the provision of environmental and social benefits by appropriate land use management systems in remote and mountain areas of Europe? Conclusions for practice strategies and policy development'

Chair: David Baldock (IEEP)

- Alice Labadini (EURAC, Italy) Interreg project ALPES
- Markus Fischer (Chamber of Agriculture, Austria)
- Ingwald Gschwandtl (BMLFUW, Austria)
- Irene Lucius (WWF Danube-Carpathian Programme tbc)

15.30: Wrap up session - key messages from the day, Emil Erjavec (University Ljubljana)

16.00: Close and thanks - Thomas Dax (BABF)

