



Green Deal Projects Support Office

^{5th} Webinar for Network of Multipliers

27th June 2024

Research and Innovation

Agenda

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AGENDA ITEM		Time
Welcome and introduction (Ellie O'Hare, GDSO)		14:00
First success stories spotlight with Q&A		14:05
o PROBONO	• FIRELOGUE	
Activities and achievements from the GDSO working groups (GDSO facilitators)		14:20
Second success stories spotlight with Q&A		14:45
• FIRE-RES		
Board of Coordinators Update (Beatriz Mayor, GDSO)		15:00
Third success stories spotlight with Q&A		15:10
• SUPERB	○ ARV	
GDSO Communications Update (A	nthony Santiago, GDSO)	
Closing (Ellie O'Hare, GDSO)		15:25





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Overview

- Green Deal Projects Support Office (GDSO) is operated for DG RTD by Ecorys and Ricardo
- **Mission:** Facilitate coordination between the 73 projects funded under the Horizon 2020 Green Deal Call and maximise their positive impact in the longer term.
- Timeline: GDSO will operate until November 2026





GDSO services Overview



CONNECTING PROJECTS

- Identifying collaboration opportunities
- Implementing joint actions
- Supporting cross-project outputs
- Developing impact assessments

BUILDING NETWORKS

- Organising networking meeting
- · Facilitating information exchange
- · Providing peer-to-peer learning and mentoring
- Engaging with regional and national initiatives

AMPLIFYING IMPACT

- Generating project success stories
- Creating promotional content
- Advising on effective dissemination
- Engaging with multipliers

ENHANCING SKILLS

- Creating impactful communications
- Improving storytelling
- · Developing a powerful business plan
- Engaging stakeholders effectively

INFLUENCING POLICY

- Informing regulatory activities
- Contributing to policy recommendations
- Providing EU policy updates
- Facilitating contact with European Commission departments



European Commission



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Working Groups











Clean Energy Climate Change and Biodiversity Urban Environment and Mobility Food and Health Knowledge and Citizens

73 Projects



Reminder - Green Deal Projects Support Office website



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Introduction to the network of multipliers

What is it?

A network of actors interested in:

- Following and disseminating the progress of the GD projects
- Connecting to GD projects for synergies and exchange

Objectives

- Disseminate the activities and results of the GDSO to the network
- Ultimate aim to maximise the impact of Green Deal Call projects
- Multiply dissemination of GD projects results by engaging the network in sharing and promoting communications



The role and value of being a multiplier

Participate and benefit from learning

- Invitation to a selection of GDSO activities
- Periodic updates on the GDSO and webinar invitations

Request/offer engagement

• Multipliers may express interest to get connected to GD projects with common synergies

Maximise dissemination and impact

- Share communication materials through your networks
- Share/tag content on social media
- Raising awareness of the GDSO network of multipliers amongst research institutes/other projects



First Success Stories spotlight



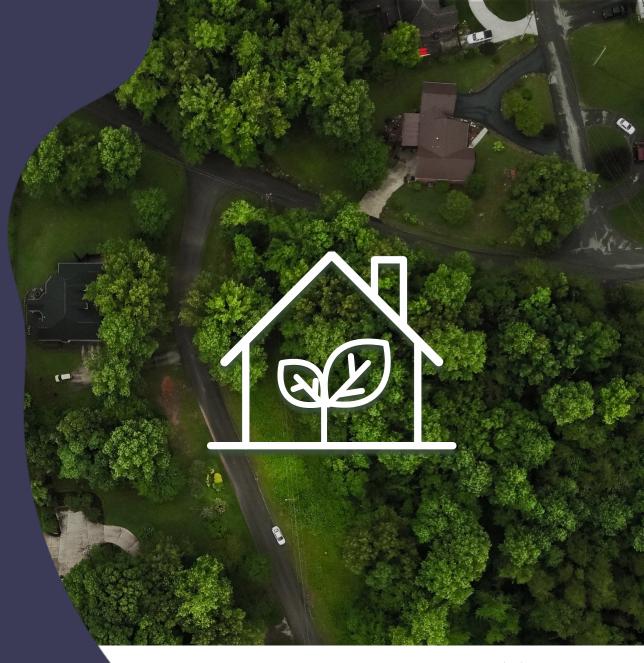


Urban Environment and Mobility

Sonae Campus Vegetable Garden

PROBONO







Problem/context

- Create a hub for team building, learning and empowerment of the communities
- Put Porto LL as a reference in sustainable Campus
- Create a positive impact on the environment and society

Success story highlights

- Corporate responsibility: Half a ton of vegetables donated in one and a half years
- **Team building** reinforcement
- Sustainability example

Outputs

- Reinforce sustainability, with the reduction of the ecological footprint and waste valorization
 Corporate Responsibility
 - People Valuation and work-life balance

Impacts (Abr22 – May24)

- 30 cultivation beds
- >780 kg of **vegetables donated**
- 125.120 liters of water saved
- 1.564 kg of CO2 consumed
- 440 kg of organic waste from restaurants reused in the vermicomposting process.

Lessons

- Involve people to achieve the best results
- Celebrate with voluntaries all small victories
- Communication and decisions together





Green Rooftop in the top of one of the logistics warehouse



Cultivation beds





• Raise your hands to ask





Climate change and biodiversity success stories

Wildfire Risk Management (WFRM) Clustering Events





Problem/context

- Discuss **key priorities for cooperation** with IAs (identifying synergies and conflicts)
- Silo mentality- i.e. no integration of efforts and "re-invention of the wheel"
- At the end of the projects the results disappear

Outputs

- Establishing thematic groups between the IAs to facilitate joint work
- Pooling of interests as a basis for joint publications
- Developing policy recommendations



Success story highlights

- Innovative Showcasing and Collaborative Synergies (pre-identified topics)
- Diverse Participation (including representatives from various EU projects and the European Commission) and interdisciplinary Discourse
- Focused Discussions and Strategic Workshops

Impacts

- Strengthened collaboration & partnerships between different actors involved in Wildfire Risk Management
- Identification of synergies and integration opportunities

Lessons

- Successful piloting of the use of virtual whiteboards during COVID restrictions
- Effective establishment of thematic breakout workshops with longterm objectives
- Greater scope for (open) exchange, more diverse voices needed for effective WFRM





More info: **firelogue.eu/clustering-events.php** Exchange platform: **lessonsonfire.firelogue.eu**



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Update on working group activities

Biodiversity and Climate Change – Beatriz Mayor (GDSO) Clean Energy – Laura Heidecke (GDSO) Urban Environment and Mobility – Matthew Moss (GDSO) Food and Health – Ellie O'Hare (GDSO) Knowledge and Citizens – Ellie O'Hare (GDSO)



Climate change and biodiversity

17 projects focused on climate change mitigation and adaptation and preservation of biodiversity.

Thematic **Discussions:** Landscape finance and risks for insurance Webinar on NBS **NBS: Devising** actions to achieve rapid and far-reaching transformational adaptation – 3rd July

Joint biodiversity <u>case study map</u>

Policy brief:

Comments on draft

Nature

Restoration

Law

Joint events Green Week – <u>IMPETUS-ARISNOE</u> 13/06 <u>Waterlands-Real Deal-</u> <u>Eurocat</u> – 13/06 ECCA 2023 – <u>Climate</u> <u>adaptation cluster</u>









13 projects

focused on energy decarbonisation though development, deployment and integration of innovative technologies into the current energy system.



Policy Brief: Biomass waste-to energy

Peer-2-peer for the Green Energy Transition in Africa with LEAP-RE Success stories, articles, videos







9 projects focused on the sub-national green transition of multi-modal connection and transport nodes (ports and airports), buildings, neighbourhoods and cities.

WG meeting April – Urban Environment

Policy brief on Innovation Clusters led by PROBONO 2 upcoming highlight videos featuring STARGATE and PIONEERS

Success story on RI-URBANS published





15 projects

focused on reshaping the food and health sectors to better support the green transition. Development of joint Policy Briefs on Food & Health 2024

Joint Participation: Towards Halving Food Waste Conference 17th-19th June Organisation of the second Online Webinar on Models for Toxicology 31st January

> Organisation of the Workshop: Challenges in stakeholder inclusion in the food sector 25th June





14 projects focused on the role of research infostructure and citizen engagement in the implementation of the European Green Deal.

Policy brief on a framework for **Citizen Science** inclusion in policymaking

Policy brief on the inclusion of vulnerable groups for EU policymaking

Identification of events and platforms to share and distribute policy briefs

Brainstorming on potential shared methodological frameworks for case studies





Second Success stories spotlight





FIRE-RES Geo-Catch: a mobile application to support reliable fuel mapping at a pan-European scale

Innovative technologies & socioecological-economic solutions for fire resilient territories in Europe - **FIRE-RES**



F. Pirotti, E. Kutchartt, JR. González-Olabarria, A. Trasobares



Problem/context

- Collecting ground-truth data at regional scale is challenging
- Crowdsourcing images from smartphones has great potential for collecting information
- There are many apps out there but mostly used by experts

Outputs

- Easy-to-use app to collect geolocated and oriented data
- Real-time visualization of point and photo
 - Future use of AI to label

Success story highlights

- Fuel maps through remote sensing provide global scale information but validation is not easy
- Crowsourced images from an easy photo-collection app with geolocation and orientation information

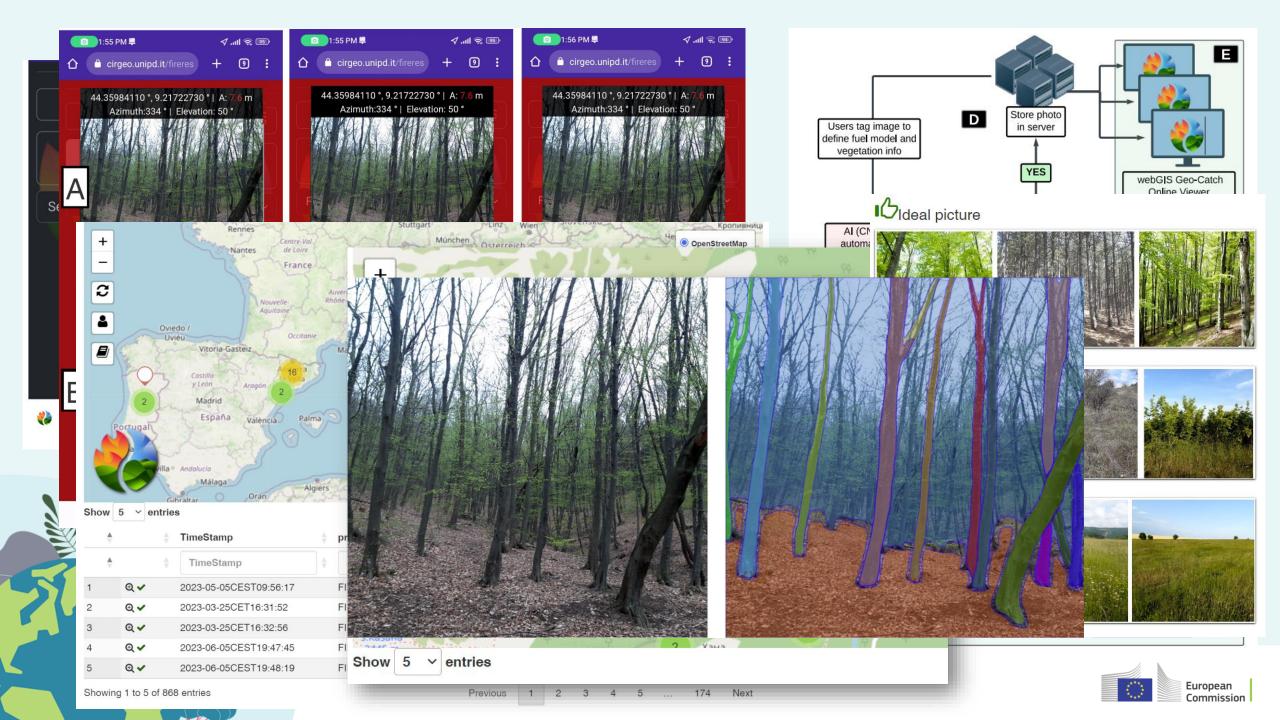
Impacts

- Experts can collect data in the field and then reliably postprocess it in office
 - AI can be trained to provide fuel model information from landscape imagery

Lessons

- Orientation needs calibration
- Labelling of fuel model categories requires expert input
- Well-trained AI can process high volumes of images to fuel model categories







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GDSO Board of Coordinators update

Beatriz Mayor, GDSO





Board of Coordinators Meeting – 25th April 2024

Catch up online
•Watch the video recording and download the BoC slides





Third Success Stories spotlight





Climate change and biodiversity

Making forest restoration a societal action











Problem/context

- Forest practitioners' resource challenges to effectively involve society in restoration
- Silos, gaps and disconnects between restoration plans and societal expectations

Outputs

- Social media analysis to identify public interests, concerns, and societal actors interested in the restoration sites
- Media workshops to facilitate more evidence-based storytelling and multiply the impacts of restoration activities

Success story highlights

- Putting society at the heart of biodiversity and forest ecosystem restoration through "online mapping" analysis
 - Effective public involvement and relationship-building through media capacity building and a science-art school project

Impacts

- Identification of "unexpected" societal actors and public debates
- A balanced understanding and reporting by the media
- Long-term partnerships with local communities

Lessons

- The need to look beyond the existing stakeholder groups to fully reflect broader society
 - The need for using digital technologies to explore public perceptions and discussions
 - The need to explore innovative formats for public participation and involvement





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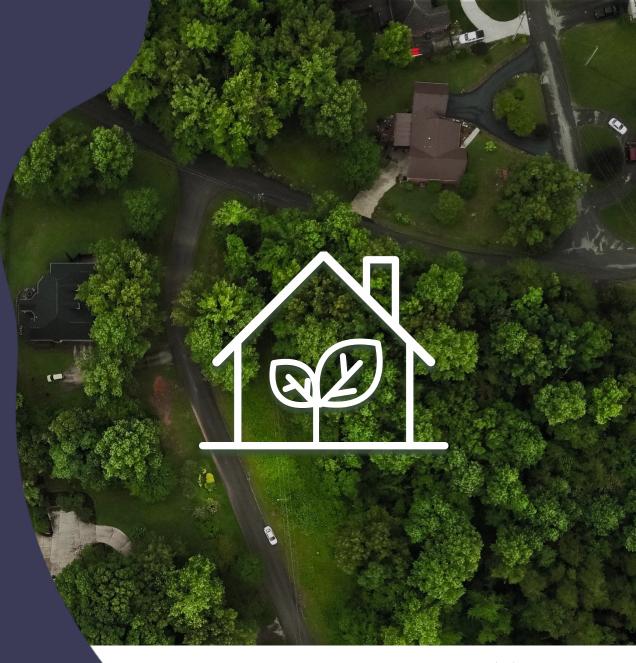


Urban Environment and Mobility

Involvement of tenants in energy efficiency improvements

Green Deal - ARV







Context

- Sønderborg, Denmark
- Testing of tools across 19 retrofitted buildings
 - Resident green ambassador



Impacts

- Reduction of greenhouse gas emissions
- Nearly-Zero energy performance
- Creation of a method which can easily be scaled

Outputs

- Ease and importance of saving energy
- Up to 20% savings on energy bill

Success story highlights

- Promotes a change in behaviour to create energysaving behaviour to daily habits
- Uses data to drive the WHY behind importance of saving energy

Lessons

 It is possible to overcome the low level of engagement in energy-related topics.





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GDSO communications update Anthony Santiago, GDSO





Newsletter



Welcome to the health issue of the newsletter

In this edition we spotlight updates from six projects from the Food and Health working group that are reshaping the health sector to better support the green transition: ALTERNATIVE, LIFESAVER, PANORAMIX, PROMISCES, SCENARIOS and ZeroPM.

Using cutting edge technology, these projects are creating solutions to grow our understanding of the unwanted chemicals and contaminants in our environment and the ways they affect us. We'll take a look at the projects' latest outputs and collaborative efforts as they work towards this goal, as well as some updates from other Green Deal Call-funded projects.

Enjoy the read and if you like the content, make sure to share it with your network!

- Newsletter Issue 5 focus: Health –themed projects (PFAS, water, modelling, contamination)
- Webinars:
 - Environmental and climate data webinar
- Reports:
 - Mobility aspects of the Fit for 55 proposals
 - <u>Clean energy and digitalisation as a key enabler for</u> <u>Horizon 2020 Green Deal call projects</u>
- Articles:
 - participatory tools for climate change adaptation
 - carbon capture and utilisation research





Upcoming events



Climate change and biodiversity | 03-07-2024 | Online event

Nature-based Solutions (NbS): devising actions to achieve rapid and far-reaching transformational adaptation

Learn about NbS for climate adaptation: identifying the root causes of a problem, exploring typologies and implementation actions, financing mechanisms...



Food and health | 19-09-2024 - 20-09-2024 | In person event

Achieving zero pollution of persistent and mobile substances

The European research project ZeroPM: Zero Pollution of Persistent, Mobile substances, is pleased to announce its second international workshop with...



Urban environment and transport | 01-10-2024 - 03-10-2024 | In person event

 10th European Conference on Sustainable Cities and Towns

 ESCT European Conference on Sustainable Cities & Towns on 01-03 October 2024

Local leaders play a crucial...

in Aalborg, Denmark.



Knowledge and citizens | 29-08-2024 | In person event

Green Week Partner Event: TransformAr Open Day – City of Lappeenranta

TransformAr Open Day – City of Lappeenranta Open field day in the city of Lappeenranta on 29th August. This...



Knowledge and citizens | 29-08-2024 | In person event

Green Week partner event: REAL DEAL Communicating Water Resilience Beyond your Base

This interactive workshop, designed for Civil Society Organisations (CSOs) and citizens, aims to equip participants with the necessary skills to...



Urban environment and transport | 25-06-2024 - 26-06-2024 | In person event

Cities Mission Conference

The 2024 Cities Mission conference, themed 'Empowering Cities - the Climate Neutral and Smart Cities Mission in Action', offers a...



Food and health | 25-06-2024 | Online event

Challenges in Stakeholder Inclusion in the Food Sector: Addressing Barriers to Innovation

Join nine innovative food projects and stakeholders for a discussion on adopting new solutions for reducing food loss/waste.



Close, feedback and next steps

Ellie O'Hare, GDSO





Feedback

https://survey.alchemer.eu/s3/90726527/GDSO-5th-Network-of-Multipliers-webinar-feedback





Here's to a wide and active network!

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