



## Agrinatura Newsletter 09/12/2024



Dear members, partners, and colleagues,

Greetings from the hosting secretariat in Cork! As mentioned earlier, we will pause the publication of this newsletter during the holiday season, but we'll return with fresh updates in January.

We hope you've found this newsletter a valuable resource, as our aim is to provide meaningful content that benefits all of you. This space is built through your collaboration, and we truly appreciate your continued engagement.

Help us make this space more enriching, feel free to drop us a note with your feedback or ideas, that would be appreciated!

Warm regards.

Dr Mabel Hernandez-Altamirano

## Agrinatura

### **Agrinatura Activity Overview**

**A brief reminder of our next Agrinatura General Assembly, Conference, and EEIG meeting.**

Save the Dates!

Please mark your calendars for the Agrinatura General Assembly, 4th Conference, and EEIG Meeting, taking place on [May 21-23, 2025](#).

More details to come! Don't miss this opportunity to connect, collaborate, and contribute to our shared mission.

**Venue:**

**Ghent University**

**Faculty of Bioscience Engineering**

**Coupure Links 653, Gent, Belgium**

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## From our members

### **Errata (contact person)**

The EU Delegation in the Democratic Republic of Congo (RDC), represented by Filippo Saracco, has requested support from Agrinatura to enhance regional

capacity for training landscape and forest managers. Their vision involves deeper involvement from European universities in a systemic, multidisciplinary approach. They propose integrating EU students and supervisors with local staff and students through fieldwork, workshops, and seminars in RDC and Central Africa.

This initiative aligns with Agrinatura's ongoing work in the region, such as contributions to ERAIFT (a UNESCO-backed regional postgraduate school). The EU Delegation seeks collaboration with Agrinatura members to foster exchanges in landscape management, forestry, and circular economy, emphasizing practical exposure and knowledge sharing. Discussions on finance are ongoing, with backing expected from INTPA/EU Delegation.

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**Course: Making Leadership Work**  
**iCRA Leadership Course for Agri-Food Professionals.**

Are you an agri-food or development professional in a leadership role? Enhance your skills with the iCRA online course, starting January 27, 2025!

**Details:**

- **Format:** Online via Zoom
- **Schedule:** Five interactive 2-hour sessions on Thursday afternoons: January 30, February 6, 13, 20, and 27, 2025
- **Early Bird Offer:** Apply now and save 15%!

Take this opportunity to boost your leadership capabilities and connect with like-minded professionals in the agri-food sector.

**Apply Now [HERE!](#)**

## iCRA Course



### Making Leadership Work

Early Bird Discount Ends  
December 15!



### Want a free taste of the Leadership course?

Before diving into the Making Leadership Work course, It is highly recommended to subscribe to the upcoming online iCRA Expert Talk: “**Turn Your Team into Motivated Agri-Food Game Changers!**” on **December 12**. Learn how to inspire and empower your team to make a real impact in the agri-food sector. Looking forward to seeing you there!

Thursday, **December 12** - from **2:30 to 4:00 pm (CET)** via Zoom.

Trainer:

**Mariette Gross**

Executive Director

Reserve your spot [HERE](#)

## Vacancies/fellowships/advertisements

### PhD fellowship in Climate Change Adaptation in Conflict Settings

Application due 12/16/2024, Start date 3/1/2025

Category: Ph.D. positions

Workplace: Department of Public Health

Full details [HERE](#)

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## Webinars

**Economic performance and climate change mitigation potential of agroecology: evidence and knowledge gaps.**

**Thursday 12 December 2024, 10:00 AM CET**

Registration [HERE](#)

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## Another interesting newsletters

**FiBL November Newsletter Highlights**

FiBL, a global leader in organic agriculture research, offers insights into innovative, cost-effective solutions to boost productivity while addressing environmental, health, and socio-economic challenges. Collaborating closely with farmers, FiBL translates practical research into real-world applications through advisory services, training, and conferences. FiBL is vital in promoting sustainable farming practices worldwide.

Find out more about this newsletter [HERE](#)

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**PAEPARD-** Platform for African–European Partnership in Agricultural Research for Development

**Webinars and events December.** Access [HERE](#)

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## CEA-FIRST Newsletter No. 2

You will find highlights of exciting project milestones, funding opportunities, insightful publications, and upcoming events.

More information [HERE](#)

### **More information about articles, courses, awards**

#### **The Family Farming Knowledge Platform (FFKP) database**

A collection of more than 41,000 articles, publications, hands-on agricultural practices and techniques, training videos, and more.

Access [HERE](#)

#### **Article:**

#### **Productivity effects of agroecological practices in Africa: insights from a systematic review and meta-analysis Review**

Open access Published: 18 November 2024

Access [HERE](#)

An interesting publication:

#### **EU-Mercosur Association Agreement: A game-changer for supply chains and geopolitical influence**

By Juan Ghersinich Eckers

Access [HERE](#)

**Secretary General of Agrinatura Association**



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