

Co-Creation Factsheet: Bringing science and practice together to encourage the adoption of agroforestry - Knowledge base and transfer (June 2025)

What was/will be produced

- Description and baseline information for a network of agroforestry Living Labs across eight European countries, as innovation communities for co-design and knowledge exchange.
- An agroforestry Knowledge Hub integrated into the stakeholder engagement platform, serving as a repository of resources aimed at agroforestry practitioners.
- The creation of an agroforestry knowledge typology and knowledge gap analysis, informing the approach to decision support.
- An agroforestry decision support toolkit, making accessible to agroforesters a range of tools, models and other resources that can guide decision making.

Who contributed to the work¹:

REFOREST Partners

EMEA | CZU | EP | INAGRO | UCPH | OSA | UBO | TRAKIA UNI | UMR | SOE | DeFAF | UREAD | FarmTree

External Stakeholders and Experts Collaborators

Farm businesses and other stakeholders in each Living Lab | INRAE (DigitAF) | Woodland Trust | Soil Association | Other EU Funded Project

How?

- Living Lab kick off meeting (online) and planning sessions within REFOREST face-to-face project meetings in Barcelona and Brno
- Multiple meetings of the EMEA and ORC teams to progress the design and population of the Knowledge Hub
- Consultation with all REFOREST partners on Knowledge Hub content
- REFOREST Partner meetings to discuss the development of a decision support toolkit
- Interaction within the Training and Upskilling Farmers working group, including two meetings of Working Group members and subsequent follow-up between EMEA and ORC
- Interviews and follow-up consultation with agroforesters in the Living Labs to develop and refine the case studies for publication
- Interviews with farmers and other stakeholders to inform the knowledge gap analysis
- Meetings with representatives of DigitAF to ensure complementarity of approaches
- Writing of the associated project deliverables and milestones with quality assurance provided by the REFOREST executive committee.

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REFOREST PARTNERS	EMEA	Development and maintenance of the REFOREST stakeholder platform, incorporating the Knowledge Hub; co-design of the decision support toolkit.
	CZU	Project coordination to facilitate the integration of the knowledge base and transfer activities with the REFOREST project as a whole
	EP	Design and publishing of the Living Lab case studies on the REFOREST website; contribution to the design of the toolkit.
	INAGRO	Led on the Belgium Living Lab and case study development
	UCPH	Led on the Denmark Living Lab and case study development
	UBO	Led on the Germany Living Lab; contribution to the design of the toolkit
	TRAKIA UNI	Led on the Bulgaria Living Lab and case study development
	UMR	Led on the knowledge typology and knowledge gap analysis
	SOE	Leading on the Hungary Living Lab and case study development
	DeFAF	Coordination of the EURAF agroforestry map; contribution to the design of the toolkit; coordination with the DigitAF project
	UREAD	Led on UK (south) data collecting activities
	FarmTree	Incorporation of the FarmTree model into the decision support toolkit
	All REFOREST partners	Proposed resources to include in the Knowledge Hub

Farm business and other stakeholders in each Living Lab	Participation in knowledge transfer activities, as well as case study development	
INRAE (DigitAF)	Coordination of similar activities between the two sister projects to ensure complementarity and not overlap	
Woodland Trust (UK)	Organisation of the Agroforestry Show (2025) which will be a major opportunity for REFOREST dissemination and feedback on the decision support toolkit; collaboration with ORC on other knowledge exchange initiatives and research	
Soil Association (UK)	As above	
Other EU Funded Project	Running of a Living Labs workshop on climate change solutions in Barcelona in 2025 to share experience on knowledge transfer	