

# AGRICULTURE CIRCULAR ECONOMY EXPERT

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## Circular Jobs and Skills for the Future of Agriculture

How training, policy and innovation can  
create the next generation of circular  
agriculture professionals

Building on the results of the ACE-EX project, this event will bring together EU institutions, industry leaders, regional authorities, educators and social partners to explore how skills, innovation and policy can shape the future of circular agriculture in Europe. At a time when the agri-food sector is facing profound environmental, economic and social challenges, the discussion will focus on preparing a new generation of professionals capable of driving the green and circular transition.

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from 10:30 to 16:30

**Lombardy Region Office**

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## Agenda

10:30 – 11:00 | Registration and welcome coffee

11:00 – 11:10 | Welcome and institutional opening by **Giuseppe Costa**, Director, Regione Lombardia

11:10 – 11:30 | ACE-EX results: from project outputs to a skills model for circular agriculture

- **Carmen Fusilli**, Project Manager, ITS Academy Giulio Natta

11:30 – 11:50 | Keynote: circularity, social sustainability and generational renewal in the future of EU agriculture

- **European Commission**

11:50 - 13:00 | Policy roundtable: what skills and jobs are needed for Europe's circular agri-food transition?

- **Ricard Ramon i Sumoy**, Head of Unit, European Commission, DG AGRI
- **Ricard Celorio**, Innovation & Partnerships Manager, FoodDrinkEurope
- **Ivan Ivanov**, Political Secretary for the Agriculture Sector, European Federation of Food, Agriculture, and Tourism Trade Unions (EFFAT)
- **Regional representative**

Moderator: **Erina Guraziu**, President and Project Manager, OpenCom

13:00 – 14:00 | Networking lunch

14:00 – 14:20 | MEP keynote / Parliament perspective

- **Dario Nardella**, MEP, AGRI Committee

14:20 – 15:30 | Roundtable on long-term economic sustainability and competitiveness of EU agri-food sector

- **Paolo Di Stefano**, Executive Director, Eat Europe
- **Théo Paquet**, Senior Policy Officer for Agriculture, European Environmental Bureau (EEB)
- **Trevor Donnellan**, Research Officer, Teagasc

Moderator: **Jesús Díez**, Director of Programs, Fundación Patrimonio Natural de Castilla y León

15:30 – 15:45 | Coffee Break

15:45 – 16:00 | Conclusions

- **Folco Ciulli**, Executive Director, European Chemicals Regions Network

16:00 – 16:30 | Innovation showcase: immersive learning for green and circular skills

- **Oliver D'Adda**, CEO, Softcare Studios