**Study visit Urban Agriculture in Pordenone, Italy**

**(**[**Novel Farm Fair**](http://www.novelfarmexpo.it/en/)**)**

**February 12th-15th, 2019**

**of the Erasmus+ project 586304-EPP-1-2017-BA-EPPKA2-CBHE-JP**

**Western Balkans Urban Agriculture Initiative – BUGI**

**Draft Agenda**

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| When | What |
| February 12th  |  |
| 12.00-20.00 | Arrival to Pordenone, set up BUGI booth at Novel Farm, meetings with other exhibitors |
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| February 13th  |  |
| 9.30-10.00 | Opening session: Addresses of national and international stakeholders in the agritech and vertical farming sectors*Speakers:**Monica Cairoli, president of the Order of agronomists and forestry of FVG**Gus van der Feltz, chairman FarmTech Society* *Marcello Donatelli, director Council for Agricultural Research and Economics Gabriella Funaro, architect ENEA*  |
| 10:00-11:00 | Planning and control of the characteristics and quality of hydroponic and aeroponic products*Speakers:**Mattia Accorsi, light biologist**Stefano Cesco, professor Libera Università di Bolzano* *Massimiliano D’Imperio, researcher CNR (National Council of Researches)**Pierre Grootscholten, Grootscholten Consultancy*  |
| 11.30-13.00 | *Automation: hardware and software for an economically and environmentally sustainable soilless agriculture* *Speakers:**Rino Gubiani, professor Università degli Studi di Udine**Isabella Righini, researcher Wageningen University & Research**Rezia Molfino, professor Università degli Studi di Genova* *Radu M. Giurgiu, researcher, representative PlantGeek project**Massimo Lucchini, CEO Idromeccanica Lucchini**Vasileios Vallas, CEO and Co-founder PlanHive**Marcello Donatelli, director of Agriculture and Environment Center CREA* |
| 13.00-14.00 | Lunch time |
| 14.00-15.00 | Genetics and epigenetics of hydroponic crops*Speakers:**Serena Varotto, professor Università degli Studi di Padova**Maurizio Lambardi, reseacher CNR-IVALSA (National Council of Reseraches)* *Silvana Nicola, professor Università degli Studi di Torino* |
| 15.30-18.30 | Aquaponics’ circular economy*Speakers:* *Daniele Brigolin, researcher Università Ca’ Foscari Venezia**Bernd Poelling, professor South Westphalia University of Applied Sciences**Vincent Gennotte, researcher CEFRA (Aquaculture Research and Education Centre), University of Liège**Ulrich Ricardo Knaus, professor University of Rostock**Ian Kanski, president and co-founder INTAG**Andrej Udovc, professor University of Ljubljana**Simone Venturini, CEO Nutritech**Baldassare Fronte, researcher Università di Pisa* |
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| February 14th  |  |
| 09.15-10.00 | Urban agriculture and food security: agritech challenges*Speakers:**Podmiserg Ruthner, founder Vertical Farm Institute**Esperanza Huerta Lwanga, researcher Wageningen University & Reasearch* |
| 10.15-12.00 | Circular and integrated food production and the city of the future*Speakers:**Nicolas Tsurukawa, Researcher University of Liège**Runrid Fox-Kämper, ILS - Research Institute for Regional and Urban Development GmbH**Joan Rieradevall Pons, professor Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona* *Alex van Tuyll, AMI’s Farm Lab**Augustin Rosenstiehl, SOA Architects**Gabriella Funaro, architect ENEA**Matteo Benvenuti, Founder Vertical Farm Italia* |
| 12.00-13.30 | Food and non-food agriculture: with soilless you can do*Speakers:**Rosario Di Lorenzo, professor Università degli Studi di Palermo**Alessio Saccoccio, partner Idroluppolo**Mattia Accorsi, light biologist* *Matteo D’Arco, biologist and agronomist**Enrico Costanzo, biologist and innovation manager**Lucia Guidi, professor and director of the Interdepartmental Center for Nutraceutical Research and Nutrition for Health "Nutrafood", Università di Pisa**Paolo Bray, Founder and Chief Executive Director Friend of the Earth* |
| 13.45-18.15 | Grand Finale UrbanFarm 2019 |
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| February 15th  |  |
| 9.30-13.30 | Project meeting |

**All activities of the visit will take place to the:**

[**Pordenone Exhibition Center**](https://www.google.com/maps/place/Pordenone%2BFiere%2BS.p.A./%4045.948285%2C12.6540073%2C17z/data%3D%213m1%214b1%214m5%213m4%211s0x477964911ce9be7b%3A0xf0433eb62e2af156%218m2%213d45.948285%214d12.656196?hl=it-IT) **during Novel Farm 2019**

**Viale Treviso, 1**

**33170, Pordenone (PN)**

**Italy**

## HOW TO GET TO NOVELFARM?

**By Car:**

The exhibition center is located approximately 200 meters from ‘Pordenone’ highway A28 (Portogruaro-Conegliano), connected to the highway A4 (Venice-Trieste) and the highway A27 (Venice-Belluno). It is located around an hour from the borders of Tarvisio and Trieste.

PARKING: There are five parking areas adjacent to the exhibition center, for a total of over 2000 parking spaces, including here the new SOUTH parking lot by 750 stalls and car parking area for buses and campers. You could also use the bus service – shuttle that stops about 700 meters from the entrance to the pavilions.

**By Train**

The train station is approximately 500 meters from the center of the Pordenone Exhibition Center. Intercity and Eurocity trains run from Pordenone to major Italian (Venice, Milan, Trieste, Bologna) and European cities. Connections to Venice every hour.

**By Plane:**

The International Airports of Venice, Treviso and Trieste could be reached in 45 minutes from Pordenone Exhibition Center. Daily flights connect the airports with all major Italian and European destinations. For more information, check the website of Venice, Trieste, Treviso, Milano Malpensa, Milano Linate, Bergamo, Bologna Airports.