

LAND4FLOOD WORKSHOOP

Nature based solutions for flood retention in Southern Europe

Venue: Coimbra, Portugal

Address: Escola Superior Agrária de Coimbra, Bencanta, 3045-601 Coimbra

Date: 30 Jan -1 Feb 2019

LANGUAGE: English

AIMS AND EXPECTED OUTCOMES

This workshop organized under the *COST Action LAND4FLOOD: Natural flood retention on private land (CA16209)* aims to facilitate knowledge exchange between researchers, practitioners and stakeholders, including flood policy makers, representatives from farmer associations, regional flood protection agencies/enterprises and local decision makers from Southern Europe. The workshop will provide a discussion about experiences and challenges to face and mitigate flood hazard, particularly through the use of nature-based solutions or the integration of these solutions with conventional structural measures. Potentialities and constrains of current policies and legal instruments to prevent and mitigate flood hazard will be also discussed, together with methodologies to better engage stakeholders and compensate private land owners for flood retention services. Participants of the workshop are invited to share their experience and findings based on specific case studies, and discuss aspects to improve flood retention in the future. A report synthesizing the most important outcomes of the workshop will be prepared and shared with participants and LAND4FLOOD colleagues.

CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

If you would like to participate in the workshop please send an abstract (100-300 words) in which you describe your experience in flood retention. Abstracts should be sent to carla.ssf@gmail.com until 21 December.

PROGRAMME

WEDNESDAY, 30 January 2019

14:00-14:30 Welcome to participants

14:30 -15:45 Problematic of floods in Southern Europe, context and main challenges

15:45-16:00 Coffee break

16:00-17:30 Projects regarding to flood hazard mitigation

THURSDAY, 31 January 2019

9:00-17:30 Field trip with local stakeholders

20:00 Social dinner

FRIDAY, 1 February 2019

9:00-10:45 Potentialities of nature based solutions to mitigate flood hazard

10:45-11:00 Coffee break

11:00-12:30 Public policy, spatial planning and stakeholders engagement: how to include and compensate flood retention services on private land?