



4th World Congress  
on Agroforestry

# 4<sup>TH</sup> WORLD CONGRESS ON AGROFORESTRY

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MAKE OUR PLANET TREETED AGAIN!

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20-22 MAY 2019  
MONTPELLIER - FRANCE



*Amazing keynote speakers, legendary practitioners, half a dozen plenaries and over 30 parallel sessions will bring food for everyone's thoughts.*



**FOR THE FIRST TIME IN EUROPE**

# the World Congress on Agroforestry!

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Over one thousand agroforestry geeks will come together to bring news of agroforestry's progress from the four corners of the globe, celebrate progress, push global policymakers to support agroforestry, and discuss the most up-to-date research into these amazing land use systems, which, by combining trees, crops and/or animals, can...

## WHY AGROFORESTRY?

# Combat land degradation

*Many agroforestry technologies may help to restore soils and to combat land degradation and desertification. For example, trees can stabilize the soil, especially when they are used in terracing and contour cultivation to prevent soil erosion. They can also protect soils against wind erosion. Their branches can be pruned and applied as mulch to increase soil organic matter and nutrient status.*



## WHY AGROFORESTRY?

# Adapt to and mitigate Climate Change

*Agroforestry systems are known to sequester large amounts of carbon in the tree biomass. Research has also shown a positive impact of agroforestry systems on soil organic carbon stocks, especially after a conversion from croplands.*



*Shade trees are often used to protect crops from excess heat and light in the tropics, where agroforestry is clearly seen as a way to adapt to climate change. The potential for adapting temperate agriculture to climate change through agroforestry is being studied.*

## WHY AGROFORESTRY?

# Improve global food security

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*Thanks to the complementarity between trees and crops, agroforestry systems are usually more productive than the separate production of trees and crops. Thus they might participate in food security and in alleviation of poverty, especially in remote areas.*





# The congress

The congress will welcome not only scientists but also farmers, policymakers and all agroforestry practitioners. Side events **including the launch of the IUAF, the International Union for Agroforestry, the 40th Anniversary of the World Agroforestry Center, and the launch of a pan-European initiative** to support agroforestry, will broaden the audience's global horizons. Foundations and NGO's working on and for agroforestry will present their activities. Debates with the general public will also be held as side-events.



# You can make a difference!

Agroforestry is a free, almost universally adaptative way to improve global food security, pollute less and mitigate climate change. There is no patent on agroforestry: only good practices guidelines. And you can help us reach more people and help them discover agroforestry!

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## PARTICIPATE

*Why not join us and attend the Congress meetings? Please contact us in order to organize your stay.*

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*Even if you do not wish to attend the Congress nor sponsor, you still can help us, just by sharing information about agroforestry, retweeting our contents, etc.*

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