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Ecosystem Services have a central role in Decision-making and Policy definition

- PROGRESS-InterregEurope project organises its 2nd event to show and share good practices on ecosystem services from 6 EU territories. On-line event on 11.1.2021.
- Ecosystem services are the goods and services of nature that contribute to human well-being. Identifying, evaluating, and applying the ecosystem services approach is key to the future of European societies.
- The workshop on 11.1 is organised by CREA (Catalonia-Spain) with support by project partners from Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Lithuania, and Romania.

Participation to this 2nd workshop is free and targeted to policy and decision makers who can improve their practise with PROGRESS methodologies. The overarching theme of the workshop will be integrating ecosystem management challenges in Planning at all scales (national, regional local). Over the last 6 months project partners have analysed and discussed with their stakeholder networks that are following-up PROGRESS and identified Good Practices following the InterregEurope GP models. "We encourage the professionals involved in the definition of policies and plans. This event is for them", says Dr. Enrique Doblas, coordinator of the workshop from CREA.

The case studies will be presented in 3 parts: Engaging -> Informing-> Acting as a means to show experts, decision-makers and civil society groups how to, step by step, bring ecosystem services at the central process of policy and decision making. The full program is annexed and also [available at the registration site on-line](#). Once the event is completed PROGRESS will produce a thematic handbook, InterregEurope good practices and a policy brief, all will be available on the project website.

About PROGRESS-InterregEurope

PROGRESS is a 2019-2023 InterregEurope project funded by the ERDF with 1,4 M €. Its aim is to tackle Operational Plans at regional or national level and other strategies dealing with the protection and valuing biodiversity and ecosystem services. The approach is based on policy learning and capacity building of the partner organizations and relevant stakeholders of the concerned policy subsystems under 4 strands: measurement of cost & benefit of ecosystem services, Integration into policy and Planning, innovative payments for ecosystem services and landscape sustainability governance.

PROGRESS International Training Workshop 2: supporting the horizontal integration of the ecosystem concerns into the sectoral policies and plans – Monday 11th January 2021 10am – 13.10 pm
Registration: <https://www.eventbrite.es/e/entradas-integrating-ecosystem-concerns-into-policy-decision-making-progress-132424121111>