KICKOFF MEETING

Green Training INTernational Program for agriculture and livestock farming and conservation (GreenTraINT)

Bologna - 13-15 February 2025

The two-years ERASMUS+ project GreenTraINT (2024-26), aimsed at improving the educational offering in agriculture, livestock farming, and conservation at the Seychelles. Started in November 2024, this two-year project joins partners from Italy, Germany, and the Seychelles.

The GreenTraINT program is rooted in the idea of combining the hands-on expertise of environmental institutions, such the Seychelles Park and Gardens Authorities (SPGA) and the Immersive Parks -Parco Natura Viva (IPPNV), with the academic rigor of higher education. This partnership, led by the University of Bologna, brings together a dynamic consortium that includes the University of Seychelles, Coburg University of Applied Science and Arts, the Seychelles Institute of Agriculture and Horticulture, the IPPNV and the SPGA, each contributing unique insights and expertise.

Kickoff meeting Agenda

13th February
(room E-learning, V floor, Department of Agricultural and Food Sciences, University of Bologna, Viale Fanin 50, Bologna, Italy)

- 11:00 - Registration
- 11:15 - Department tour
- 12:30 - 14:00 *Lunch*
- 14:00 - 14:15 Welcome session (Paola Mattarelli, Project Coordinator)
- 14:15 - 15:15 Short presentation of each team and main research activities in the framework of the project
    - University of Bologna (Maria Luisa Dindo, Professor)
    - University of Seychelles (Uvicka Bristol, Research Officer)
    - Coburg University of applied Science and arts (Matthias Noll, Professor)
    - Seychelles Institute of Agriculture and Horticulture (Maryanne Marie, Director)
    - Immersive Parks – Parco Natura Viva (Camillo Sandri, Zoological Director; Caterina Spiezio, Researcher)
    - Seychelles Park and Gardens Authorities (Allen Vosrie Cedras, CEO SPGA)
- 15:15 – 15:30 General Presentation of GreenTraINT (Prof. Paola Mattarelli)
- 15:30 – 15:45 Administrative and financial issues activities to be developed Cooperation, University of Bologna)
- 15:45 – 16:00 Financial and administrative Q&A (Officer Caterina Valitutti, European Commission, Bruxelles) **on line*

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- 16:00 - 16:15 *Coffee break*
- 16:15 - 18:00 WP presentation by WP leaders
  - WP1: University of Bologna
  - WP2: Coburg University of Applied Sciences and Art
  - WP3: University of Seychelles
  - WP4: Seychelles Institute of Agriculture And Horticulture
  - WP5: Seychelles Parks and Gardens Authority

20:00 *Social dinner*

14th February
(Sala del Camino, Palazzina della Viola, University of Bologna, Via Filippo Re 4, Bologna, Italy)

- 9:00 - 9:25 *Welcome coffee*
- 9:25 - 9:35 Welcome remarks by Raffaella Campaner, Vice Rector for International Relations **on line*
- 9:35 - 9:45 Presentation of quality control plan - Advisory board
- 9:45 – 10:00 Project website and dissemination
- 10:00 - 10:20 Need Analysis Discussion
- 10:20 - 10:50 Presentation of Erasmus projects at the University of Bologna (Livia Mercatelli, Research and International Cooperation, UNIBO)
- 11:30 – 12:30 Visit to the Rector's Lawn and the Museum of Palazzo Poggi

15th of February, 2025
(Satellite Kickoff meeting at Immersive Parks-Parco Natura Viva, Località Figara 40, Bussolengo, Verona, Italy)

- **8:00 Bus from Bologna to Immersive Parks-Parco Natura Viva**
- Field lesson @Parco Natura Viva Verona
  - 10:00-11:30 IPPNV Conservation Education programs: strategies and approaches to raise awareness, build knowledge to make informed decisions, and take actions to protect the planet
  - 11:30-13:00 Ex-situ conservation examples for in situ conservation: the IPPNV reintroduction projects
- 13:00 *Lunch*
- **16:00 Bus from Immersive Parks- Parco Natura Viva to Bologna**