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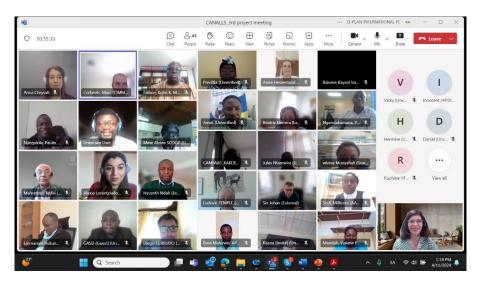
PRESS RELEASE

Exploring agroecological practices through workshops and strategic collaborations

CANALLS is proud to announce the successful conclusion of our 2nd round of <u>co-creation</u> <u>workshops</u>, which delved into agroecological practices to address the primary challenges faced in our Agricultural Living Labs (ALLs). These workshops brought together diverse stakeholders for an in-depth exploration of solutions to overcome agricultural challenges. Key activities included mapping alternative agroecological practices, identifying combinations for field evaluation, and discussing the experimental phase to ensure thorough implementation.



From April 9-11, CANALLS hosted a three-day online project meeting, marking the conclusion of the co-creation workshops and setting the stage for the experimental phase. This phase represents a crucial step forward in our mission to implement and evaluate agroecological practices in the ALLs. Most ALLs have now selected the practices for field testing, with partners working on frameworks to evaluate the environmental and socio-economic performance of these practices.



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Additionally, UHOH, is developing a Decision Support Tool (DST) for farm advisors, with the first-stage prototype ready for testing. Additionally, stakeholders co-shaped sustainable value propositions for agroecological food products, following market analysis.

CANALLS also released ten practice abstracts in the EIP-AGRI format, aiding stakeholders in replicating successful agroecological transitions.

Our partners were involved in key events showcasing CANALLS at the "Agro-ecology Day" conference in South Kivu and the Annual Members Forum Meeting in Nairobi, hosted by Agroecology TPP.

Maximising our impact we are fostering collaborations through active participation and strategic partnerships. On March 21st, CANALLS joined the "Exploring Agroecology Living Labs in Africa" webinar, co-organized by CIRAWA, NATAE Agroecology, and PrAEctiCe projects, providing diverse perspectives on operating agroecological living labs. Moreover, CANALLS is partnering with the Transformative Partnership Platform on Agroecology (Agroecology TPP) and Biovision Foundation to synergize efforts and exchange knowledge to accelerate agroecological transitions in the region. Last but not least, CANALLS, along with CIRAWA, NATAE Agroecology, and PrAEctiCe, also submitted a joint workshop proposal, "Deployment of Living Lab Approaches in Africa for Sustainable Agriculture," which has been accepted by the European Network of Living Labs (ENoLL).

For further details on the project's progress and updates, visit the CANALLS website at www.canalls-project.eu. Stay informed by subscribing to the CANALLS newsletter and connecting with us on social media.

