NutriBudget – ReNu2Cycle policy webinar

Keynote speaker: Tassos Haniotis



Senior Guest Research Scholar at the International Institute for Applied Systems Analysis and former Director at the European Commission.

Tassos Haniotis was a long-serving senior official in the European Commission serving, most recently, as Director for Strategy, Simplification and Policy Analysis in the DG for Agriculture and Rural development. In addition to several other senior leadership roles in DG AGRI, Tassos notably served as Deputy Head of Cabinet for the former European Commissioner for Agriculture Franz Fischler, and as Agricultural Counsellor in the European Commission's Delegation in the US.

Tassos, a recent Fellow of the European Association of Agricultural Economists, holds Ph.D. and M.S. degrees in Agricultural Economics from the University of Georgia in the U.S., and a B.A. in Economics from the Athens University of Economics and Business in his native Greece. He was also a visiting Fellow at the Centre for European Agricultural Studies, Wye College, University of London, focusing on EU-US agricultural trade relations in the Uruguay Round of GATT negotiations before joining the European Commission.

Panelists



Policy officer at DG AGRI

Stephanos is policy officer in DG AGRI working on environmental sustainability aspects of the Common Agricultural Policy (CAP) focusing on soil nutrients and water resilience. He previously worked in DG SANTE setting maximum residue levels for pesticides and preparing the EU-coordinated monitoring programme for pesticide residues in food.

Before joining the Commission, he worked for more than 10 years in the agri-food industry as food safety auditor, quality manager and consultant. He started his career as a GlobalGAP auditor in certification bodies.



Ana Rocha, Director - EU Agriculture & Forestry policies, European Landowners' Organization

Ana serves as ELO Director specializing in EU's Agri & Forestry-related policies. With a background in Agricultural Engineering, she brings over a decade of professional experience in EU lobbying, advocating for the interests of landowners and land managers.



Gerard Ros, Senior Research Associate, Wageningen University & Data Scientist at the Nutrient Management Institute

Gerard is a senior research associate at Wageningen University and data scientist at the Nutrient Management Institute. He is a well-known expert in the field of soil science and plant nutrition, with special reference to soil quality, nutrient cycling, and risk assessment. He is specialized in carbon and nutrient dynamics in terrestrial ecosystems and is leading the development of a NutriKPI framework to monitor, stimulate and valorise sustainable farm management across Europe. He led more than 100 projects on agronomic perspectives of innovative nutrient and soil management solutions optimizing nutrient efficiency of agricultural farm systems.



Tiffanie Stephani, Vice-President, European Government Relations and External Communications, Yara International – Region Europe

Tiffanie Stephani is heading the Government Relations and External Communications at Yara Europe, the market leader in plant nutrition in Europe. Truly inspired by Yara's vision of a world without hunger and a planet respected, Tiffanie works actively to promote climate-friendly crop nutrition and zero-emission energy solutions such as green ammonia and green fertilizers. She joined Yara Region Europe in January 2021.

Prior to this, Tiffanie has been working as Senior Agriculture and Environment Manager at Fertilizers Europe, representing the interests of the mineral fertilizer manufacturers in the European Union, between March 2016 and December 2020. She started her career in European Government Relations and in the agriculture sector 17 years ago as policy officer in the European & environmental affairs department of the German Farmers' Association (Deutscher Bauernverband, DBV) in Brussels. Tiffanie (French native) holds a university degree in political science from "Sciences Po Lille" and a master degree in European public management.