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01 Happy Birthday BIOTRAILS!

Dear BIOTRAILS community,

We are thrilled to present the 3rd edition of the BIOTRAILS newsletter, marking a significant milestone – **Happy Birthday BIOTRAILS!**

As we celebrate our first year, we're excited to share with you a glimpse of our accomplishments and ongoing initiatives.

We hope you will enjoy reading our newsletter!
For additional information on the project, please visit www.biotrailsproject.eu.

Your sincerely,
Raffaele Giordano, Project Coordinator

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02 Several Goals

In this first year, we have successfully initiated several key activities, published numerous deliverables and received positive feedback from the first two workshops held in Brazil and Ghana, aligning with the overarching goals of BIOTRAILS.

We are very proud of these achievements. We would like to thank the local communities and stakeholders in the BIOTRAILS case studies for their support and commitment in achieving these goals.

The aim of the workshops is to engage local stakeholders in co-developing BIOTRAILS models – e.g. the Participatory System Dynamic Model – and to start the co-definition of BIOTRAILS solutions for activating biodiversity-relevant transformative change along the value chains.

Read our latest published deliverables!

D2.1_LAA stakeholder engagement guidelines and BIOTRAILS Learning Platform

D2.3 Framework of transitional pathways and leverage points (A)

D3.1_BIOTRAILS data repository (A)

D3.3 BIOTRAILS structural equation models (A)

D3.5 Updated LCA and EEMRIO data (A)

D6.1 Dissemination, communication and outreach plan (A)

D6.5_Joint activities with other projects initiatives

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03 Stakeholders' Workshop

Sustainable forest-based cultural products in the Brazilian Amazon

BIOTRAILS implementation in this case study aims at co-defining solutions for enhancing the equilibrium between biodiversity conservation in the Amazon Forest and the development of the Indigenous community-based value chain. The workshop was held in Brasilia on the 26th of October involving 30 different stakeholders.

The activities carried out during the workshop allowed BIOTRAILS to map the main issues related to biodiversity losses, to identify the main causes related to human processes/activities in the Amazon Forest, and to define a preliminary set of solutions. The stakeholders' enthusiasm for BIOTRAILS is a good flywheel for the organisation of the second workshop.

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03 Stakeholders' Workshop

Gold mining in Ghana

This case study focuses on the identification and analysis of the impacts of the artisanal gold mining value chain in Ghana and seeks to propose sustainable pathways for biodiversity protection, including different actions and policy recommendations.

Knowledge sharing, co-creation and stakeholder engagement were key elements of the workshop to find synergies, address the problems and challenges faced, and share experiences.

It took place in the city of Kumasi and involved 40 different stakeholders.

The main issues caused by the small-scale mining, such as biodiversity loss, ecosystem degradation and various social impacts, were mapped and their solutions discussed.

BIOTRAILS partners are still analysing the main results of this workshop, which will be shared in our next newsletter.

A second workshop, to be organised in 2024, will be dedicated to discussing solutions and barriers to their implementation in detail.

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04 Upcoming events

COMING SOON

II. GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Athens, January 17-18, 2024

STAKEHOLDERS' WORKSHOP

Fisheries and aquaculture products in the Mediterranean basin

Athens, January 16, 2024

STAKEHOLDERS' WORKSHOP

Cocoa produced in Perú

Pucallpa, February 2024

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