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Welcome to another deep dive into the BIOTRAILS project!

In this edition, an exclusive insight into Work Package 4 (WP4) through an **interview with Christina Papadaskalopoulou, WP4 leader**.

Additionally, we take a closer look at the **3rd General Assembly** of the BIOTRAILS project, held on March 11th and 12th, 2025, at **adelphi**'s offices in Berlin. During the event, consortium partners had the opportunity to share progress, address emerging challenges, and discuss future strategies. The assembly served as a pivotal moment for aligning actions and strengthening synergies across the different work packages.

Another key focus of this edition is dedicated to the **transformative change webinars**, which attracted over 100 professionals and researchers. These events provided a valuable opportunity to explore new perspectives on transformative change and stakeholder engagement, contributing to a broader dialogue on biodiversity conservation and global implementation strategies.

Finally, we highlight the active **participation of BIOTRAILS partners in major international conferences and events**, emphasising their contribution to the global dialogue on biodiversity.

Visit our website for more information about the project!
www.biotrailsproject.eu

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01 WP4 Leader Interview

The WP leader interviews are going strong!

This issue spotlights
Christina Papadaskalopoulou
from DRAXIS,
the leader of WP4.

Click here to watch the interview
and
subscribe to our You Tube channel!

Check out interviews with other WP leaders!

watch the interview with
WP3 leader Alessandro Pagano
and
WP2 leader Ioanna Nydrioti

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02 3rd General Assembly

The 3rd General Assembly , held on March 11-12, 2025, in Berlin, brought together 11 consortium partners to discuss progress, challenges, and actions of our project.

Over two days, WP representatives shared key achievements and addressed implementation challenges, **focusing on maximizing BIOTRAILS' impact and identifying societal, environmental, and economic applications**.

A key highlight was the interactive session on dissemination and communication, where **participants identified gaps and developed action plans to enhance project visibility** and stakeholder engagement.

The second day featured cross-fertilization sessions, where **case study leaders presented progress and strategies for stakeholder collaboration through the Learning and Action Alliances** (LAAs).

Additionally, the assembly explored **synergies with sister Horizon Europe projects**, discussing contributions to IPBES, joint publications, and a potential special issue.

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03 2nd transformative change webinar

On February 27th, BIOTRAILS hosted the 2nd webinar in the Transformative Change Seminar series, in collaboration with the Ecosystem Services Partnership.

The event attracted 135 participants, including researchers, policymakers, and professionals, focusing on modelling methodologies for biodiversity monitoring.

Experts from BIOTRAILS, BIONEXT, CircHive, and MOSAIC discussed key topics such as **biodiversity footprint assessment, system dynamics modelling, structural equation models for sustainable behavior, and policy labs for land use policies.**

The webinar provided a practical overview of how these methodologies are applied in different projects, fostering knowledge exchange and discussions on challenges, best practices, and future collaborations.

It strengthened synergies between Horizon Europe projects, enhancing cross-project research efforts.

Stay tuned for the **next webinar** in the series scheduled for **summer of 2025!**

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04 Key Events and Conferences

Alternet Conference 2025

13 – 16 May 2025 – CESAM,
University of Aveiro (Aveiro, Portugal)

BIOTRAILS will participate as a session titled
"Transdisciplinary Pathways for Addressing the Biodiversity-Climate-Society Nexus"

This session will explore how collaborative research and participatory governance can drive meaningful and lasting change. Several key topics will be explored, including:

- Transdisciplinary approaches to biodiversity and ecosystem management;
- Complexity and feedback loops in socio-ecological systems;
- Participatory modeling and co-design in decision-making processes;
- Policy frameworks for adaptive governance;
- Cross-sectoral collaboration for biodiversity and climate resilience.

Link to our Session:
https://alterneteurope.eu/wpcontent/uploads/2021/02/SessionDescription.pdf

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