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## Ecosystems + Policy News #Special Issue - This was #PROGRESS in Barcelona

**PROGRESS** advances evidence-based policies to protect biodiversity and connects ecosystem services to markets for a more sustainable and equitable economy, prosperity, and quality of life.



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### Presentation

**PROGRESS** is in its final months, after almost 4 years of activity. Barcelona hosted the last public event of the project on the 23rd of March. We shared the learnings of the Action Plans and the views from policy and science representatives of the

You can find a summary of the whole project by clicking the button below!

## PROMoting the Governance of Regional Ecosystem Services

### Barcelona Part 1: Presentations

The first part of the event started with the presentation of the program itself. **Ms Laura Rahola**, Chief of Communications of the European Commission in Barcelona, enlarged the European value of the event.

**Ms Anna Barnadas**, Secretary of Climate Action of the Government of Catalonia, framed PROGRESS on the new Global Biodiversity Framework (COP15) objective towards sustainable use and management of biodiversity.

Next, **Mr Stefano Baccelli**, viewing from Tuscany Region, contextualised PROGRESS in policy learning across city and landscape regional legislation.

**Mr Erwin Sweris** director of Interreg Europe honoured PROGRESS by sharing the evolution of the programme between the former 2014-2020 period, which includes our project, and the current 2021-2027.

You can [read here](#) in more detail on these interventions and the participation of the rest of our colleagues **Dr Joan Pino** (CREAF) and **Mr Besnik Mehmeti** (ANCI Toscana) on our website.

Click the button below to find the first part of the Barcelona event news.

### Barcelona event: The Presentations





## Barcelona part 2: Debate Panels

The second part of the Barcelona event included **three thematic panels** on ecosystem services governance at the regional level. It consisted of a brief presentation followed by a discussion. The moderator and the researchers analysed the most relevant points and shared with the audience the importance of their project.

The panels on which the different discussions took place were the next ones:

- Pollination services.
- Mapping and territorial analysis of ecosystem services.
- Ecosystem services in urban environments.

You can find more details of the event and some key statements captured during the discussion in the button below!

[Barcelona event: The Panels](#)





## PROGRESS Policy Briefs ARE OUT!



At the Barcelona event, the attendants also had the opportunity to take with them a copy of the new PROGRESS Policy Briefs. Four pamphlets summarise the most important learnings and the **GOOD PRACTICE** on:

### 1/ MEASUREMENT OF THE COSTS AND BENEFITS OF ECOSYSTEM SERVICES at local and regional level:

Real examples of tools used to measure and value ecosystem services, which facilitate evidence-based policy and decision-making for landscape governance, management and action.

### 2/ INTEGRATION OF ECOSYSTEM SERVICES IN DECISION-MAKING at local and regional level:

How clear and summarized information can be provided and integrated into policy and decision-making on the possibilities and challenges of different governance approaches for ecosystem services.

### 3/ MECHANISMS TO PAY FOR ECOSYSTEM SERVICES at local and regional level:

main and overall objective of diversifying financial sources for nature management, by integrating ecosystem service provision into the economy.

**4/ IMPROVEMENT OF LANDSCAPE GOVERNANCE FOR SUSTAINABILITY** at local and regional level:

Landscape governance takes a specific geographical area or place as a starting point and offers the opportunity to consider different socio-economic and environmental global and locally specific issues and their manifestation in that particular area/place during the decision-making process.

## Engage with **PROGRESS**, here is how!

PROGRESS project continues to this Summer 2023, and we would like you to use all the opportunities to engage, participate, learn and apply good practices and other ideas from **PROGRESS**. So here are a few suggestions for you:

- Use the [good practices videos](#) (2 minutes long) as stories and examples to show in your meetings, to your peers on how your policy action can uptake ecosystem service criteria.
- Connect with us on social networks (see bottom) and mention us in your messages and ideas so we can network more closely.
- Read in more detail the technical documents for our good practices: handbook, presentations, good practice abstracts.
- **NEW** - [Use and share PROGRESS Policy Briefs](#) with our main examples and recommendations.
- [Visit PROGRESS website](#) for all above.

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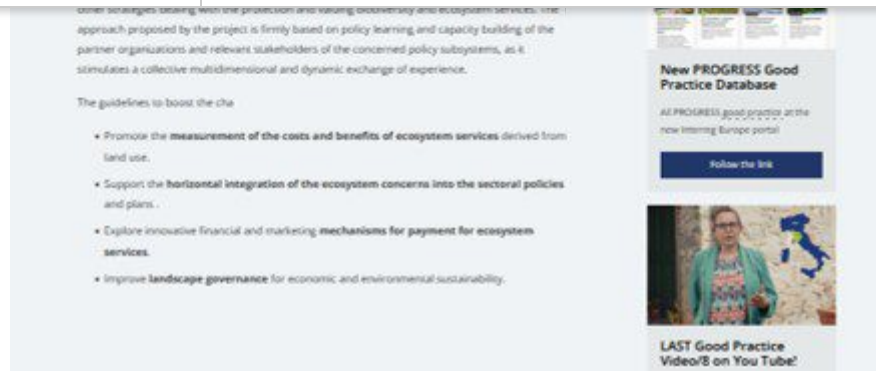
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PROGRESS Closing seminar - 29 March, Barcelona - Visit Events at top menu for details

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The aim of the project is to initiate a process of policy change towards the conservation of...



## This is InterregEurope PROGRESS

**PROGRESS** is a 2019-2023 InterregEurope project funded by the ERDF with 1,4 M €.

Its aim is to tackle Operational Plans at regional or national level and other strategies dealing with the protection and valuing biodiversity and ecosystem services. The approach is based on policy learning and capacity building of the partner organizations and relevant stakeholders of the concerned policy subsystems under 4 strands: measurement of cost & benefit of ecosystem services, Integration into policy and Planning, innovative payments for ecosystem services and landscape sustainability governance.



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