

PROGRAM

“ISLANDS OF INNOVATION” 6th PARTNER MEETING

22 - 25 october 2019, Terceira, Azores

22 OCTOBER, TUESDAY

- 16:00 **Visit to the parish of Biscoitos and tour to the Wine Museum**

To participate in this visit, pick up at the hotel at 14:30

This museum shows the history of wine in the region and island, and the importance of caste Verdelho for centuries. Housing a room dedicated to the ethnography of the region, with many tools and objects used during the times. Also, home of the Verdelho Wine Cellar, the Distillery, the tasting room, the bottling room and the seat of the Confraternity of the Verdelho Wine.

- 19:00 **Welcome Drink**

Venue: Museu de Angra (Angra's Museum)

23 OCTOBER, WEDNESDAY

- 09:00 **Opening session**

Speaker: **Government of the Azores**

Venue: Museu de Angra (Angra's Museum) Ladeira de São Francisco, Angra do Heroísmo

We ask all participants to be at the **Museum at 08:45**

This session will probably attract media attention

Introducing the Azores hosting team and programme presentation: what can partners expect to see and do during this meeting. Coffee available on site.

- 09:30 **Project meetings**

Tipping Wheel Approach, by Prof. **Hans Brezet** and **Simon Tijsma**

Action Plan (with **Tako Popma** via Skype)

Venue: Museu de Angra (Angra's Museum)

- 12:30 **Lunch**

Venue: Albergaria Restaurant, downtown, Angra do Heroísmo

- 14:00 **Guided tour to Museu de Angra**
Venue: Museu de Angra (Angra's Museum)
- 14:30 **Project meetings**
Workshop Tipping Wheel Approach/Train the trainer, by Prof. Hans Brezet
Venue: Museu de Angra (Angra's Museum)
- 16:00 **Steering Group**
Good practises, midterm review, monitoring
Venue: Museu de Angra (Angra's Museum)
- 19:00 **Dinner**
Venue: Cais de Angra Restaurant downtown, Angra do Heroísmo

24 OCTOBER, THURSDAY

- 09:00 **INNOVATION IN AGRICULTURE, LIVESTOCK AND AGROBUSINESS**
Speakers:
 - Célia Azevedo** – Regional Director of European Affairs
 - Paulo Fialho** – Pro-Rector of the University of the Azores for the Angra do Heroísmo Campus
 - Alfredo Borba** – President of the Faculty of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences of the University of the Azores
 - João Madruga** – Director of the Institute of Research and Technology of Agronomy and Environment of the University of Azores
- 09:45 **Presentation of ongoing projects at the Faculty of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences of the University of the Azores**
 - Nutritious valorisation of weed residues for animal feed (**Alfredo Borba**)
 - Research and Innovation in dairy products (**Célia Silva**)
 - The islands as forerunners in the fight against climate change (**Bonnie Lewtas**)
 - Projections of Climate Change in the Azores for the twenty-first century - Hydrological Implications of interest Agronomic and Environmental (**Brito Azevedo**)
- 10:45 **Workshop on the application of the project's methodological instrument (Tipping Wheel)**

Deborah Estima – Regional Fund for Science and Technology
Bruno Correia – Regional Directorate for European Affairs

Venue: University of the Azores, Angra's Campus, Rua Capitão João d'Ávila

Pick up at the Hotels at 08:30
PT/EN translation available

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Opening and briefing about the Islands of Innovation project and the aim of this session

Presentation of Azores University research projects on agribusiness and agriculture

Introduction of the concept of Tipping Wheel and practical examples of its application (based on the Manual)

Application of the Tipping Wheel to the agribusiness sector (Agriculture and Agribusiness is one of the sectors of the Azores S3 Strategy)

Presentation/discussion of the results, in collaboration with the (local) academia

● 13:00 **Visit and lunch in Quinta dos Açores**

Venue: Quinta dos Açores, Pico Redondo, 149, São Bento

This lunch will also include a visit and a presentation of this agribusiness project

● 15:00 **ANGRA DO HEROÍSMO – A UNESCO'S WORLD HERITAGE SITE**

Susana Goulart Costa – Regional Director for Culture

Carlos Neves – President of the Azores Regional Civil Protection and Fire Service

Francisco Maduro-Dias – Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Azores Museum and Visitable Collections Network

Álamo Meneses – Mayor of Angra do Heroísmo

Venue: Museu de Angra (Angra's Museum) Ladeira de São Francisco, Angra do Heroísmo

If the weather conditions allow, this session will include a stroll through Angra's historical site

Briefing on Azores, Terceira and Angra's history by several relevant local speakers. Angra do Heroísmo was a mandatory stopping point halfway in the Atlantic where, for three centuries, it served as a link between four continents, being directly connected to the development of maritime exploration, which allowed trade routes to be established. As a result of this commercial golden age, Angra do Heroísmo possesses a vast architectural and cultural heritage, especially when it comes to the baroque style.

Placed within a seismic context, not only must one be concerned about the safety of its community, but also about the preservation of its identity, its culture and its heritage, which were all severely damaged by a massive earthquake in 1980 New Year's Eve (7.2 magnitude in Richter's scale). After being reconstructed, its historical city was, in 1983, considered a World Heritage site by UNESCO.

This session aims to raise questions such as:

- How did the Civil Protection act in 1980 and how would they act now, considering all the technology evolution and systems in place, such as the ones visited in the University of the Azores, in São Miguel, during the 4th Partner Meeting
- How technology may play a crucial role in the protection of communities
- What role can INTERREG projects play, showcasing project such as Heriprot (Fire Risk Prevention and Improvement of the Fire Extinction Systems of the Historic Town Centres of Cities named World Heritage) and City2020 (Sustainable Future for the World Heritage Cities of Macaronesia)
- How was the reconstruction work undertaken, as well as the respective designation as a World Heritage Site by UNESCO
- What effects does the classification as a World Heritage site have on the livelihoods of the local community

● 19:00 **Dinner**

Venue: Restaurant Adega Lusitânia downtown, Angra do Heroísmo

25 OUTUBRO, SEXTA-FEIRA

● 09:30 **Youth - Innovation And Entrepreneurship**

Roundtable moderated by **Célia Azevedo**, Regional Director for European Affairs

Francisco Silva - University Professor (UAç)

Paula Andrade - Regional Director for Employment and Vocational Training

Lúcio Rodrigues - Regional Director for Youth

Rodrigo Reis - Regional Director for Education

Ricardo Medeiros - Regional Director for Support to the Investment and Competitiveness (tbc)

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Presentation of the results of the Youth Survey in the Azores, implemented within the Islands of Innovation project

- Round-table discussion
- The most striking conclusions of the survey
- Perspectives of partner regions who have already implemented the Youth Survey
- Similarities and disparities amongst youngster of the partner regions
- Elements of the survey that should be reflected in the Action Plan
- Elements of the survey that need to be addressed by policy measures at the regional level
- Partners are invited to present the results of their own survey

At the end of this session a **transfer is organised at 12:30** for the afternoon program

- 13:00 **Lunch**
Venue: Restaurant Pescador, Praia da Vitória
- 14:30 **Visit to Terceira Tech Island**
Guided tour by **Luís Leal**, Member of the Board of Directors of SDEA - Azores Business Development Society
Venue: Rua de Jesus, Praia da Vitória

Seeing that the world is increasingly more connected, that the demand for IT jobs is growing, and that these jobs can be performed remotely, this project aims to transform the Azores into a hub of technology companies in close interconnection with the worldwide dynamics. Therefore, this project aims to attract IT companies to the island, doing so by offering:
 - Infrastructure – free office spaces and business-related infrastructures for companies
 - Accommodation for senior programmers, close to the office areas
 - Human resources - public financing of intensive and demanding four-month courses in computer programming which aims to create 300 highly skilled workers, drawn from the local population, available in a short period of time, in association with the Portuguese Code Academy
- 16:00 **Visit to Monte Brasil Recreational Forest Reserve**
Guided tour by **Anabela Isidoro**, Regional Director for Forest Resources
Local: Monte Brasil

In partnership with the Regional Directorate of Forest Resources, there will be a symbolic moment in Monte Brasil, a way of reducing the carbon footprint of this event. Eight trees will be planted, one on behalf of each region that is part of this project and one by the project itself.
Arrival back to the Hotels foreseen at 17:00.
- 20:00 **Farewell dinner**
Venue: Restaurant "Beira Mar", Canada do Porto, São Mateus da Calheta

To participate in the dinner, **pick up at the hotel at 19:30**