

SALAD-SUSTAIN Conference | Saline Agriculture: state of the art and the prospects of impact investment – April 16, 2024 | Brussels

	Program		Speaker		Chair
9:30	Introduction		Dr. Sarah Garré	Flanders Research Institute for Agriculture, Fisheries and Food (ILVO), Belgium	Dr. Sarah Garré - Flanders Research Institute for Agriculture, Fisheries and Food (ILVO); Belgium
9:50	Salinization: a growing challenge		Dr. Kate Negacz	Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam (VU Amsterdam), The Netherlands	
	Crops for saline farming	Dr. Sarah Garré	ILVO, Belgium		
		Dr. Giulia Atzori	University of Florence and National Research Council (CNR), Italy		
	Nutritional characteristics and taste of saline farming crops		Prof. Abdelaziz Hirich	Mohammed VI Polytechnic University (UM6P), Morocco	
Giulia Mozzo			University of Florence, Italy		
10:40	Coffee break (poster session)				
11:10	Saline farming stakeholder mapping		Prof. Bernd Siebenhüner	University of Oldenburg (UOL), Germany	
			Dr. Obiageli Umeugochukwu		
	Climate scenarios and salinity maps		Dr. Federico Martellozzo	University of Florence, Italy	
	Governance landscape for saline agriculture		Dr. Kate Negacz	VU Amsterdam, The Netherlands	
	Upscaling saline agriculture		Pim van Tongeren	VU Amsterdam, The Netherlands	
12:10	Keynote: Future perspective & innovations		Dr. Dionysia Angeliki Lyra	International Center for Biosaline Agriculture (ICBA) FAO WASAG, UAE	
12:40	Lunch (poster session)				
14:00	Impact investing and policy workshop	Introduction on the workshop on opportunities for impact investment	Prof. Pier Vellinga	VU Amsterdam, The Netherlands	Prof. Cherki Ghoulam - Cadi Ayyad University, Morocco
		Keynote: Climate change challenges and opportunities in saline agriculture: examples of WB-financed projects	Dr. Fatma Rekik	The World Bank, USA	
		The need for funding	Prof. Farouk El-Aidy	Kafrelsheikh University, Egypt	
		A review of successful business cases	Dr. Bas Bruning	The Salt Doctors, The Netherlands	
		A framework for the evaluation of investment proposals	Mischa Heer	VU Amsterdam, The Netherlands	
15:15	Coffee break (poster session)				
15:45	Impact investing and policy workshop (part 2)	Keynote: Funding for Adaptation to Climate Change	Keiron Brand	Dutch Fund for Climate and Development, African Region, The Netherlands	
		Round table discussion	Prof. Pier Vellinga	VU Amsterdam, The Netherlands	
		Key learnings from the conference and a way forward			
17:00	Reception				