



## Breakout session: **Agriculture and Food security** 10:45-12:15

How can climate services support adaptation to climate change in Agriculture?

**Organisers of the breakout session:** H2020 projects [MED-GOLD](#) and [VISCA](#).

### Objectives

- 1) Show case the **added value of climate services** in adaptive measures in agriculture (both at farm and at sectoral level) with a focus on the wine, olive oil and pasta industry.
- 2) Identify the **barriers and constraints in full deployment of climate services** in support of adaptation to climate change in agriculture (including market challenges and flexibility of subsidies) and ways to overcome them.
- 3) Share **lessons learnt and good practices** including a view of **exploitation opportunities** and building partnerships to tackle different challenges.

This breakout session will cover topics on reliability & usability of climate predictions, and the challenges of climate services market uptake.

Input talks - sharing projects' experience:

Moderation: **Massimiliano Pasqui**, CNR, project MED-GOLD

### 10:45 –11:25

- Conflicting notions of reliability and usability of climate predictions by **Sandro Calmanti**, ENEA, project coordinator of MED-GOLD
- Quality of climate predictions at the seasonal-to-decadal time scale by **Nube González-Reviriego**, BSC, project MED-GOLD
- Challenges in using climate services from end-user perspective by **Natacha Fontes**, R&D manager at SOGRAPE VINHOS, project MED-GOLD  
**Fernando Alves**, R&D Viticulture Manager at SYMINGTON winery, project VISCA  
**Valentina Manstretta**, R&D manager at HORTA, project MED-GOLD
- Burning questions for the Common Agricultural Policy by **Andrea Toreti**, Senior Researcher at JRC, project-MED-GOLD

**11:25-12:15**

Roundtable discussion with Climate Services providers, users and policy-makers on remaining challenges, gaps and opportunities for exploitation and replication. Panellists:

Additional participants:

- **Josep Maria Solé Tassias**, Meteosim, Project coordinator of VISCA
- **Adriana Ignaciuk**, Senior Economist and Team Leader in the Economic and Policy Analysis of Climate Change department at FAO.
- **Cindy Schoumacher**, Policy officer in the Bioeconomy & Food Systems unit at DG RTD, European Commission
- **Michal Nekvasil**, Policy officer in the Adaptation unit at DG CLIMA, European Commission