

## Ecosystems + Policy News #4 -Winter 2021

**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.



Watch the video Forest for Water; ANIMATED + EDUCATIONAL +

OUTREACH MESSAGE: PAYMENT FOR ECOSYSTEMS SERVICES IN

PRACTICE: A CASE STUDY, the 5th Good Practice on PROGRESS

Governance for ecosystem services.

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## InterregPROGRESS Save the Date! 4th PROGRESS ITW: Florence, 13th January

Interreg PROGRESS is expanding its horizons everyday and now we have an exciting day, that its getting closer... We are going to Florence for the 4th PROGRESS ITW. The theme for this one is **Landscape governance for economic and environmental sustainability**: Good practices and training, and it will occur the 13th of January 2022!

We will inform in brief of the event program and registration process.



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### Four new Good Practice videos for you

Since the last newsletter we were doing some work, and we happily inform you that you have four new videos.

Check out [the videos](#) at [Interreg Europe Progress](#), Youtube channel

1. [Red Faith - Airborne Technologies for Ecosystem Services](#) is the Good Practice video #3 and it explains to us in a dynamic way that ecosystem services can be evaluated by innovative technologies such as remote sensing and other more news based in drones
2. The good practice video #4 is [Forest Laboratory Tool - Creaf](#), in this one we will see a Transferable Tool. In this one we will explain how we use different apps in the laboratory to visualize and download integrated information using different algorithms.
3. [Forest for Water](#) #5 is an educational video that has an outreach message where we will see the payment for ecosystem services in practice, a case study.
4. The last video of this newsletter is the "[Environmental Sensitivity Mapping Webtool](#)" a video shared with PROGRESS by the [Environment Protection Agency Ireland](#) to present this good practice tool to analyse ecosystem services at different landscape scales.



**PROGRESS at the EUROPEAN REGIONS WEEK**

On October 12th **PROGRESS** project was present at a joint event organised by different Interreg Europe and Erasmus + Projects: BID-REX, RENATUR, PROGRESS, PERFECT and the Erasmus+ project Green4Care.

The purpose was to inspire the best practice and tools to improve regional and municipal policies to protect nature.

If you are interested and couldn't attend, you can watch the session [here](#):



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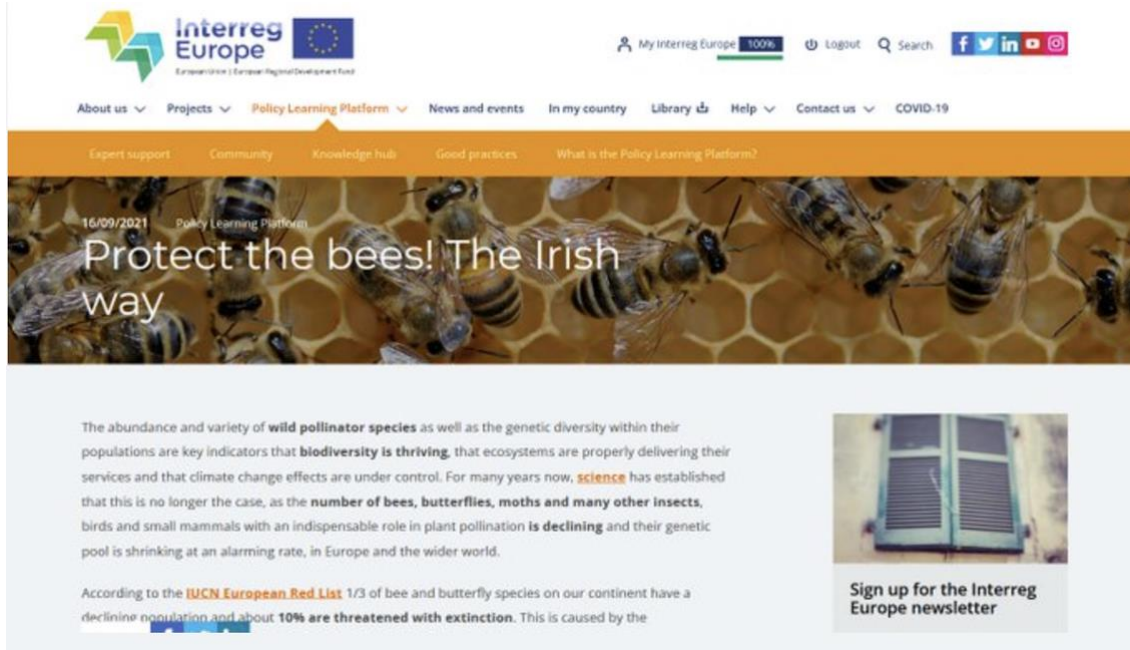
## A new project is here... Protect the Bees!

The All Ireland Pollinator Plan and the Farmland Pollinator Programme are the main feature of a piece from the **Policy Learning Team** of Interreg Europe.

Protect the bees! The Irish way its a project that has the purpose of transforming the island in a pollinator friendly enviornment. Developed by a fifteen member All-Ireland steering group, the AIPP pursued the goal of turning Ireland, North and South, into a pollinator friendly island.

Click on the image to read the full news





*Do you know other Interreg projects we can add to our review? Do you have other networking suggestions for **PROGRESS**?*

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

The PROGRESS project continues its way to 2022, 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.
- Suggest us other interesting good practices, tools and methodologies we can take into account, disseminate and perhaps invite to our workshops.
- Read in more detail the technical documents for our good practices: handbook, presentations, good practice abstracts.



Image: Caption of the good practice video by EPA-Ireland.

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## 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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