

# COST Action Urban Agriculture Europe Open Conference

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Politecnico di Milano

Urban Agriculture (UA) plays a key role in two global challenges: urbanization and food security. It can provide an important contribution to sustainable, resilient urban development and the creation and maintenance of multifunctional urban landscapes. In the globally emerging research field of UA, a European approach to the subject needs to be created. It has to integrate the unique European context regarding its urban and landscape pattern, the important role of the Common Agriculture Policy (CAP) and the needs of the European society. The COST-Action Urban Agriculture Europe (UAE) has defined this European approach on the basis of existing research projects and reference regions in the partner countries: the open Conference aim to present the results of the four year Action to the public and discuss them with worldwide expert in Urban Agriculture.

The outcomes of the Action will help to focus future research on UA, modify the CAP and stimulate private and public activities in UA projects and planning. By working in close cooperation with regional stakeholders from the domains of urban development and agriculture the Action contributes to sustainable, resilient territorial development in Europe and aims for leadership in research on UA in developed countries.

[www.urbanagricultureeurope.la.rwth-aachen.de](http://www.urbanagricultureeurope.la.rwth-aachen.de)

Parallel initiatives take place at Politecnico during the conference period:

- **“Carrot City, designing for Urban Agriculture”** a traveling exhibition, conceived by Joe Nasr, June Komisar and Mark Gorgolewski from Ryerson University of Toronto, collecting worldwide experiences of designing urban places at different scales for urban agriculture: 32 panels coming from Bologna Urban Center and enriched by two more panels about Milan experiences will be shown.  
[www.ryerson.ca/carrotcity](http://www.ryerson.ca/carrotcity)
- An exhibition of **posters collecting Italian experiences of Urban Agriculture** from the members of the Researcher Network on Urban and Peri-urban Agriculture and Food Planning  
<http://agrireregionieuropa.univpm.it/groups/rete-ricercatori-au-agricoltura-urbana-e-periurbana-e-della-pianificazione-alimentare>

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<p><b>9.30-10.30</b> Politecnico di Milano, De Donato Conference Hall</p>	<p><b>Institutional greetings</b> presentation of the cost Action by Lionella Scazzosi (vice chair) and Frank Lohrberg (chair) Giovanni Azzone, Politecnico di Milano, Rector Stefano Della Torre, Department of Architecture, built environment and construction engineering, Head Alessandro Balducci, council member of Milan municipality in charge of Urban Planning Claudia Sorlini, president of Scientific Committee for Expo 2015 Greeting from International Scientific Committee on Cultural Landscapes ICOMOS-IFLA and from International Federation on Landscape Architects-AIAPP <i>Moderator: Lionella Scazzosi</i></p>
	<p><b>International authorities</b> Amy-Louise Dent, EU Task Force EXPO Milano 2015, European Commission Maguelonne Dejeant-Pons, Council of Europe/CEP Stefano Bocchi, Expo 2015, responsible of Biodiversity Pavillon <i>Moderators: Wolf Lorleberg and Lionella Scazzosi</i></p>
<p><b>10.30-10.45</b></p>	<p>Coffee break</p>
<p><b>10.45-12.15</b></p>	<p><b>UA COST Action Working Groups: presentation of the results</b> Dimensions of UA, Marian Simon Rojo Policies and governance models on UA, Joëlle Salomon-Cavin Business models of UA, Wolf Lorleberg and Pedro Mendes Moreira Spatial issues, Lilli Licka and Luis Maldonado Metabolism of UA, Chiara Tornaghi Case Studies, Lionella Scazzosi <b>Italian UA network: presentation</b> Paola Branduini, Raffaella Laviscio, Giulia Giacchè, Davide Marino <i>Moderator: Frank Lohrberg</i></p>
<p><b>12.15-14.00</b></p>	<p>Light lunch <b>Poster session of Italian network of Urban Agriculture</b></p>
<p><b>14.00-16.00</b></p>	<p><b>UA Europe in a global perspective_podium discussion</b> short introductions on "their" global region and Europe's influence from: - Joe Nasr, Ryerson University, Toronto - Bernard Keraita, Ghana - Makoto Yokohari, University of Tokyo - Frank Lohrberg on the COST UA map and discussion on Europe's features and global role, together with - Gaëlle Janvier and Laurence Fauteaux, Alternatives, Montréal - Local experts: Andrea Calori (Food policies, Milan), Francesca Boeri (Center on Intermunicipal Planning for Milan Metropolitan Area), Paola Caputo (Politecnico di Milano), Carolina Pacchi (Politecnico di Milano), Giulia Pesaro (Politecnico di Milano), Tomaso Pompili (Bicocca University, Milan) <i>Moderators: Lionella Scazzosi, Raffaella Laviscio and a WG leader</i></p>
<p><b>16.00-16.30</b></p>	<p>coffee break</p>
<p><b>16:30-18:30</b></p>	<p><b>UA policies_podium discussion</b> short introduction from - Dona Pickard on the "UA goes to Brussels" messages - Serge Bonnefoy from "Terres en Villes" association (France), and Jennifer Buyck, UPMF Grenoble and discussion on the policy agenda, together with - Amy-Louise Dent, EU Task Force EXPO Milano 2015, European Commission - Maguelonne Dejeant-Pons, COE/CEP - External experts (Joe Nasr, Bernard Keraita, Makoto Yokohari) - Ada Lucia De Cesaris, former Vice mayor of Milan and responsible for Urban Planning and UA - Local experts: Stefano Agostoni (Lombardy Region), Elena Di Bella (Torino città metropolitana), Gabriele Pasqui (Politecnico di Milano), Carlotta Fontana (Politecnico di Milano), Corinna Morandi (Politecnico di Milano), Chiara Pirovano (WWF), Enrico Murtula (Milan Municipality), Dario Oliviero (Agricultural Districts of Milan), Alessandro Rocca (Politecnico di Milano), Umberto Zandrini (Cascine Milano Association), IFLA-AIAPP association, FAI Association. <i>Moderators: Frank Lohrberg, Paola Branduini and Sonia Callau</i></p>
<p><b>18.30</b></p>	<p><b>Closing remarks</b> by Frank Lohrberg</p>
<p>Exhibition space of School of Architecture Via Ampère 2</p>	<p><b>Presentation of "Carrot city" international travelling exhibition</b> at Politecnico di Milano with Milano new case study: presentation by Joe Nasr, Ryerson University Toronto, creator of the exhibition and Ilaria Valente, School of Architecture and Society, Dean</p>

