



Hemp Club



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DAY 1. 13th of April 2023
Introduction to the exchange

ClusterXChange mobility scheme

ABOUT THE CXC

CXC is a new **pilot scheme** funded by the EU aiming to facilitate transnational cooperation, peer learning, networking and innovation uptake through **short-term exchanges** between **cluster members**.

THE ACTORS

An exchange constitutes a stay abroad performed by a **visiting organisation** from an eligible country at a **host organisation** in another eligible COSME country.

WHO CAN PARTICIPATE

50% of the participants are **SMEs** and 50% are **clusters**, similar business networks, or scaling-up organizations. Training providers, large companies and public authorities can only participate as host organizations.

ECONOMICAL SUPPORT

The stay is partly financed by the EC through a lump sum paid to the visitors for **travel and accommodation expenses**. The lump sum must not exceed the threshold defined per host country.



HempClub implementing CXC

Our objective: the project will carry out at least **80 short term exchanges** involving SMEs, scale support organizations, training providers, public authorities and big companies involved or interested in the hemp sector and belonging to a COSME participating country.



Exchange objectives

13 – 15 April 2023 (Bologna, Italy)

24 hours of work (3 working days)

- 1 To share knowledge, individuate potential collaboration and commercial opportunities in the hemp sector among HO, Italian organizations, and Visiting organizations;
- 2 To enhance collaboration and networking among actors of EU bioeconomy value chains to enhance and promote the European hemp industry globally;
- 3 To visit local companies operating in the bioeconomy sector, including farmers and raw material processing industries;
- 4 To showcase products during an international sectoral fair



Expected outcomes

14 – 16 February 2022 (Milan, Italy)

1 Initiate new interactions and/or collaborations with other participants and/or local organizations

2 Increase the business contacts portfolio and/or build new partnerships to participate in R&D project;

3 Visit local companies;



Agenda of the meeting

DAY 1. Thursday 13th of February 2023

9.00	Registration
9.45	Welcome and presentation of the HempClub project and the ClusterXChange programme
10.10	Present yourself and your organization
10.30	BREAK
10.45	Hemp Value chain: focus groups & brainstorming sessions for innovative solutions
12.00	XX
13.00	Networking lunch
14.45	Visit to Open Field and Azienda Agraria Sperimentale Stuart
18.30	Back in Bologna

VENUE: Fondazione Golinelli - Via Paolo Nanni Costa, 14, 40133 Bologna BO



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DAY 2. Friday 14th of April 2023

09.00	Visit to La Banca della calce (Via Francesco Albani, 1/3, 40129 Bologna BO)
11.00	Products showcase at Federcanapa's booth - Indica Sativa Trade Fair
13.30	LUNCH BREAK
14.30	<p>The HempClub project: building EU hemp-based value chains by promoting knowledge exchange between clusters – Sara Daniotti, Lombardy Green Chemistry Association</p> <p>CBD extraction in Europe: the regulatory maze in different countries + Q&A session – Beppe Croce, Federcanapa</p> <p>Textile hemp is making a comeback + Q&A session – Bruno Mocchi, Produce Sinapsi</p> <p>Manufacturing of hemp-based adhesives and panels + Q&A session – Mukul Dixit, Agroils</p> <p>MAP Project: Micropropagation of autoflowering hemp strains – Alessio Romani, Rete Etruscum</p> <p>Best Hempseed Oil International Contest - Rachele Invernizzi, Federcanapa</p> <p>Funding opportunities for the hemp sector + Q&A session – Maria Elena Saija, Lombardy Green Chemistry Association</p> <p>Hemp international landscape and discussion</p>
18.30	Conclusions



Agenda of the meeting

DAY 3. Saturday 15th of April 2023

11.00 - 18.30

Free visit to the Indica Sativa Trade Fair and networking with local expositors



Remember to sign the attendance sheet when you arrive and when you leave. The attendance sheet will be at Federcanapa's booth

VENUE: UniPol Arena, Casalecchio di Reno (BO)

The fair is open until 20, so you can stay as long as you like (but you cannot leave before 18.30 unless we agreed differently before)

You can visit the fair for free also on Sunday 16th

N.B.:

- Transfer within the same day are organized by us, but you are required to reach the venue in the morning (see «how to reach the venue for further information»)
- The entrance to the fair is free (we will provide you the tickets tomorrow)
- You are asked to pay for your own lunch/dinner as you will be reimbursed for that



Best practices for the exchange


- ❖ Execute the agreed agenda within the set timeframe

Each visiting organization has to participate in all the activities in the agreed agenda.

Leaving the HO's location before the final date of the exchange is considered a breach of the CXC rules, unless the VO and HO mutually agreed that the exchange can be shorter than initially planned.

- ❖ You should sign an **attendance sheet** at the beginning and at the end of the day.

This will be used as evidence from the VO that the exchange has taken place (required by the Financial Agreement for the payment of the lump sum)



IMPORTANT: On the last day, the attendance sheet will be at Federcanapa's booth. Go there to sign the attendance sheet in the morning when you arrive and in the evening before leaving

- ❖ Contact us for any needs and if any circumstances affect the implementation of the exchange. You should sign an attendance sheet in the morning and in the afternoon before activities.

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Post-exchange actions

❖ Finalize the **registration process**.

Registration on the ECCP

Complete the registration process to become a member of Consorzio Italbiotec

Complete and sign the Commitment to Quality and the Financial Agreement

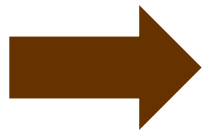
❖ **Report** on the exchange

Complete the **feedback report** and submit it to the Partnership.

We ask you to complete to additional survey, one related to the outcomes of the exchange (e.g. how many new collaborations have you started?) and one related to the share of personal data within the exchange community

❖ **Complete** the exchange

The Partnership validates the report. However, it could ask for some modifications before validating the report



It is only after the report validation that the VOs are entitled to receive the lump sum associated with the exchange



Visiting organizations presentation in a nutshell

Present yourself!

