



Farmers and soil: an inseparable combination

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General Objectives

Soil4Life is a European project involving Italian, French and Croatian partners to promote the sustainable use of soil as a strategic, limited and non-renewable resource. A goal in line with the commitment signed by European countries at the UN table, through adhesion to the global sustainability goals (Sustainable Development Goals - SDGs).

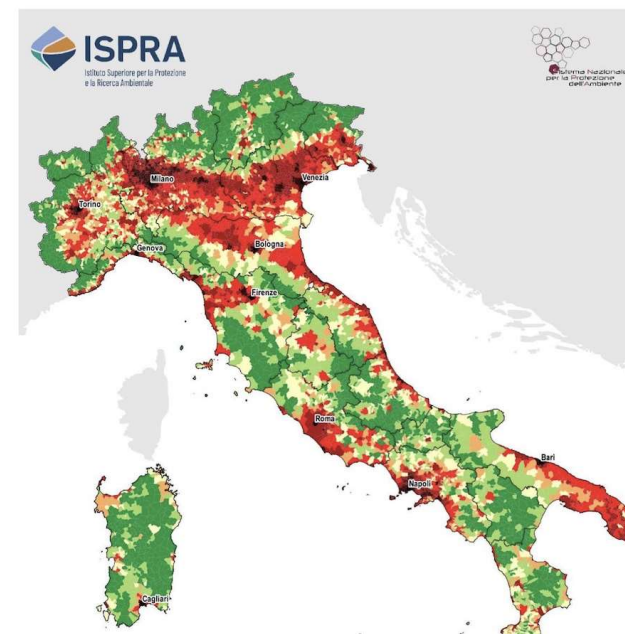
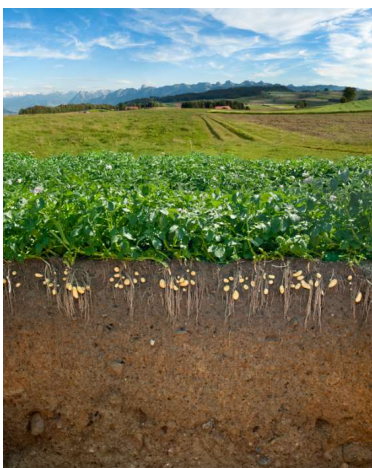
Co-funded by the European Commission through the Life programme, it involves associations and research organisations committed to preserving the soil with concrete actions and policies, supported by analyses and data to monitor its ecological status.

Soil4Life has pursued the application of the Voluntary Guidelines for Sustainable Soil Management promoted by the FAO and provides information and support for land planning by involving the agricultural sector and professionals (agronomists, geologists, urban planners and designers).

Soil4Life also aims to raise citizens' awareness on soil protection and to call national and EU institutions for the need to adopt appropriate legislation to stop soil consumption and prevent soil degradation.

Soil as a resource= > awareness

The Italian situation presents an alarming figure on soil consumption



In order to achieve the objectives, awareness-raising campaigns were implemented with different targets::

- ☐ public administrations, with the activation of a permanent consultation table of institutional actors to improve the governance of decision-making processes on soil, which will lead to the drafting of a White Paper for the Government and relevant Ministries and a Charter of Principles for the Sustainable Use of Soil for local administrations;
- ☐ farmers, involved in the implementation of voluntary guidelines on agronomic improvement and conservation practices, subsequently disseminated through a series of seminars;
- ☐ technicians/professionals, with the creation of voluntary guidelines for soil protection, to be disseminated through a cycle of training courses with the award of Professional Training Credits;
- ☐ citizens and civil society organisations, to raise awareness and promote the adoption of soil protection measures by decision-makers.

10 Regional Observatories have been activated to monitor soil consumption, while Roma Capitale has implemented a demonstration pilot project on soil sealing, a Permeability Plan, a New General Building Regulation.

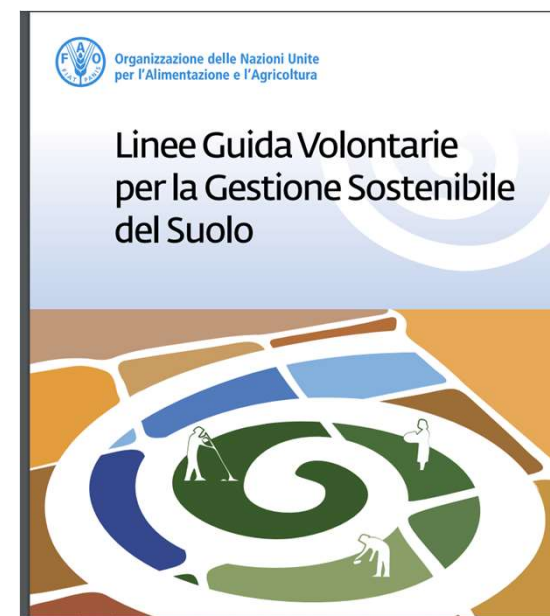
In Lombardy, a pilot on the maintenance/reconstitution of organic matter in agricultural soils will be developed.

The project included a national and international information and advocacy campaign aimed at citizens.

A focus on the FAO Voluntary Guidelines :

Through translation work, the FAO guidelines have been synthesised into 13 Fact Sheets offering a vademecum on good agricultural practices with an indication for each topic of what should be done and what should be avoided, guidelines aimed at both farmers and citizens.

FAO Guidelines and the Soil4life project itself, are in harmony with the approach of the new CAP, as they focus on sustainability.



Mentioning as premise the Pandemic

Initiatives and achievements:

- Classroom training courses (two in Rome and one in Milan), creating a widespread network of technicians who continued to collaborate on the project..
- Creation of a digital platform: ciaperilsuolo.it, that collects the FAO Guidelines, facilitates the approach to the proposed technical content, and also proposes a self-assessment learning path.
- 30 footages.
- A newsletter for 8,000 farmers with the specific topics of the Project





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1 - Produzioni sostenibili


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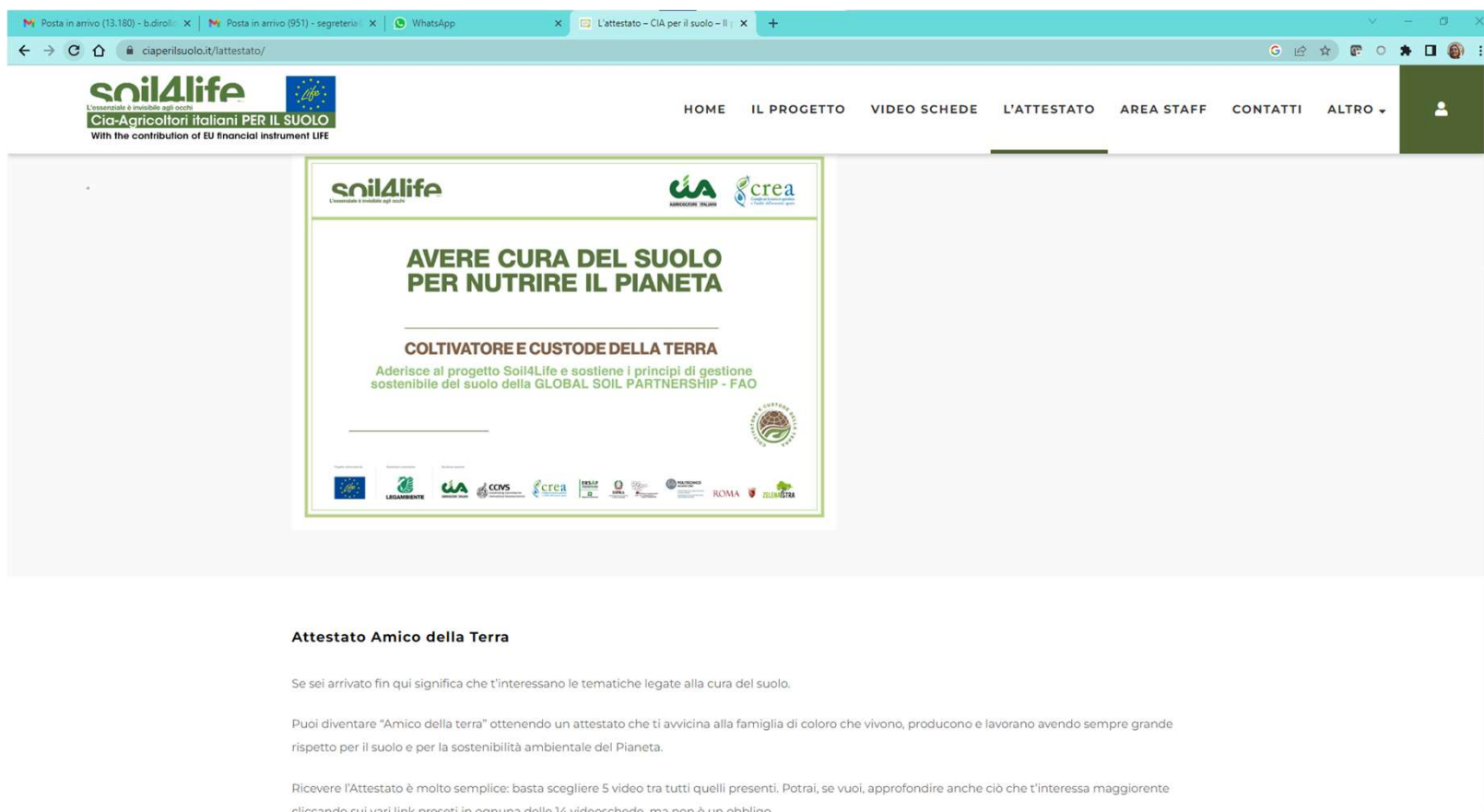


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