



**EUCALAND**

European Culture expressed in  
Agricultural Landscapes

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The **Institute for Research on European Agricultural Landscapes** e.V. (EUCALAND) is an expert network that analyzes agricultural landscapes of Europe in order to

- raise awareness and promote their sustainable use,
- preserve their cultural heritage,
- cooperate with international institutions.



The idea of the network was born at a working meeting at the UNESCO World Heritage Centre in 2005 when it became clear that the so-called ordinary farming landscapes are much too often neglected and suffer from a lack of knowledge.

## Mission and Goals

- Increase the valorisation and accessibility of European Agricultural Landscapes (EAL), with their visible and invisible character, and their tangible and intangible values, for all people.
- Contribute to a better understanding, sustainable use, and preservation of the landscapes' identity and heritage.
- Provide advice to governments and authorities on all levels in establishing classifications, planning and policy development.
- Provide methods and toolkits for the description, classification and assessment of landscapes to stakeholders and scientists, such as UNESCO, CoE, PECSRL, IUCN, WWF, FAO, NGOs, Landscape Planners, Politicians, and the European Public.



## Who we are

- A European Network with members from international and national organisations and institutions
- We connect people from various European institutions and governments for information, research, collaborative projects, intersectoral and transdisciplinary exchange
- We coordinate and manage project initiatives and support networking of members

## What we do

- Joint proposals and interdisciplinary research projects related to landscape, agriculture and heritage
- Overview and exchange of data among countries: maps, photos, statistics, etc
- Annual working meetings on the chosen agricultural landscape type of the year
- Joint publications about common research and project activities
- Dedicated special sessions at the biennial meetings of the Permanent European Conference for the Study of the Rural Landscape (PECSRL; [www.pecsrl.org](http://www.pecsrl.org))
- Network with FAO-GIAHS
- Network with IFLA
- Regular information about conferences, calls, open positions and key issues



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# Project History

- Since 2021: TRANSFARM: Vocational education & training for transhumance practitioners. Erasmus+
- Since 2012: Description and characterisation of European Agricultural Landscapes (EAL), <https://eucaland.net/publications>
- 2016-2019: FEAL: Multifunctional Farming for the sustainability of European Agricultural Landscapes. Erasmus+, <https://cs.feal-future.org/en>.
- 2014-2018: COST Action TU1401: Renewable Energy and Landscape Quality (RELY) <http://cost-rely.eu/>
- 2017: e-Atlas on EAL in 7 languages <https://www.feal-future.org/eatlas/en>
- 2009: Cooperation within COST-ESF Policy Briefing 41: Landscape in a changing world.
- 2007 - 2009: European Culture expressed in Agricultural Landscapes, funded by EC Culture 2007-2013 program.



# Organisation

**EUCALAND** is a non-profit association with statutes under German law. The executive board made up by volunteers is elected for two years. Since 2020 the Members' Assembly is arranged online. Online board meetings are held every two months and are open to all members.

## Executive Board

President: Csaba Centeri  
Secretary General: Alexandra Kruse  
Treasurer: Sebastian Eiter

## Extended Board

Lena Athanasiadou, Bénédicte Gaillard, Zdeněk Kučera, Martina Slámová, Mateja Šmid Hribar, Hans Renes



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## Join us!

**EUCALAND** is open to individuals and institutions. Members must agree to the statutes and mission.

If you are interested in becoming a member, please send us an informal request, including the following information

**Name, title, position, institution, address, e-mail contact, and type of membership**

Personal: 30€/year

Institutional: 100€/year

**Please direct your membership or any other request to:**

**[secretariat@eucaland.net](mailto:secretariat@eucaland.net)**



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