

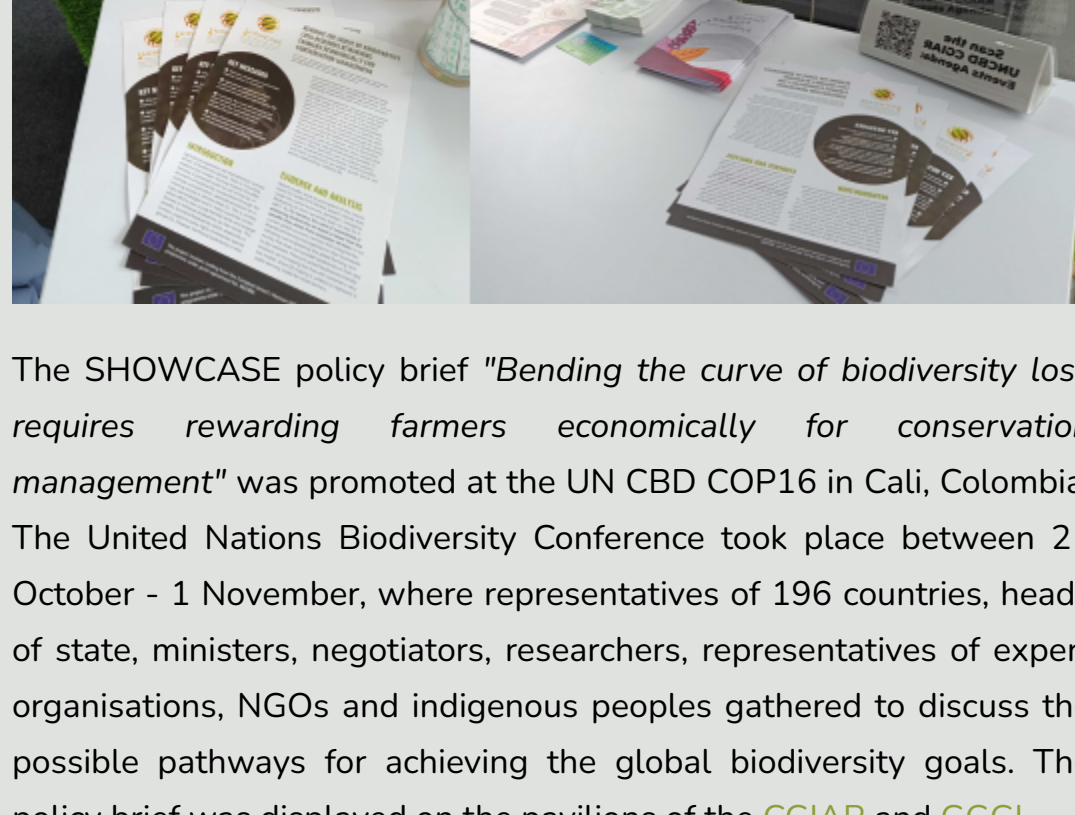


SHOWCASE Newsletter: Volume V

With SHOWCASE being in its maturity stage, the project progresses further towards making results accessible, disseminating impact and focusing on collaboration. Take a look at past and future endeavours.

Policy corner

Explore SHOWCASE's contributions to environmental policy

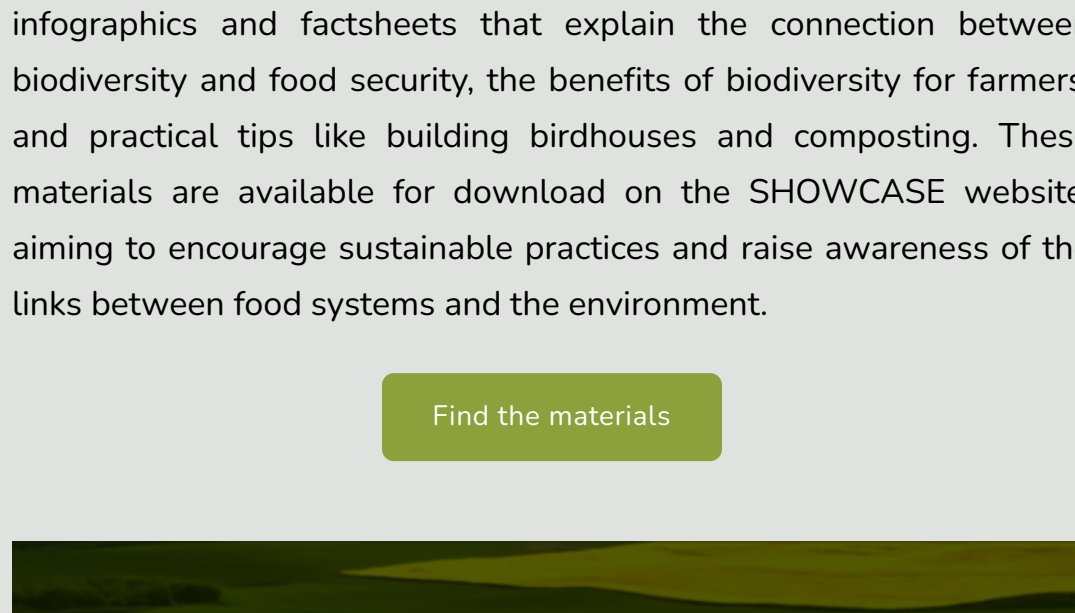


The SHOWCASE policy brief "Bending the curve of biodiversity loss requires rewarding farmers economically for conservation management" was promoted at the UN CBD COP16 in Cali, Colombia. The United Nations Biodiversity Conference took place between 21 October - 1 November, where representatives of 196 countries, heads of state, ministers, negotiators, researchers, representatives of expert organisations, NGOs and indigenous peoples gathered to discuss the possible pathways for achieving the global biodiversity goals. The policy brief was displayed on the pavilions of the [CGIAR](#) and [GGGI](#).

[Read the policy brief](#)

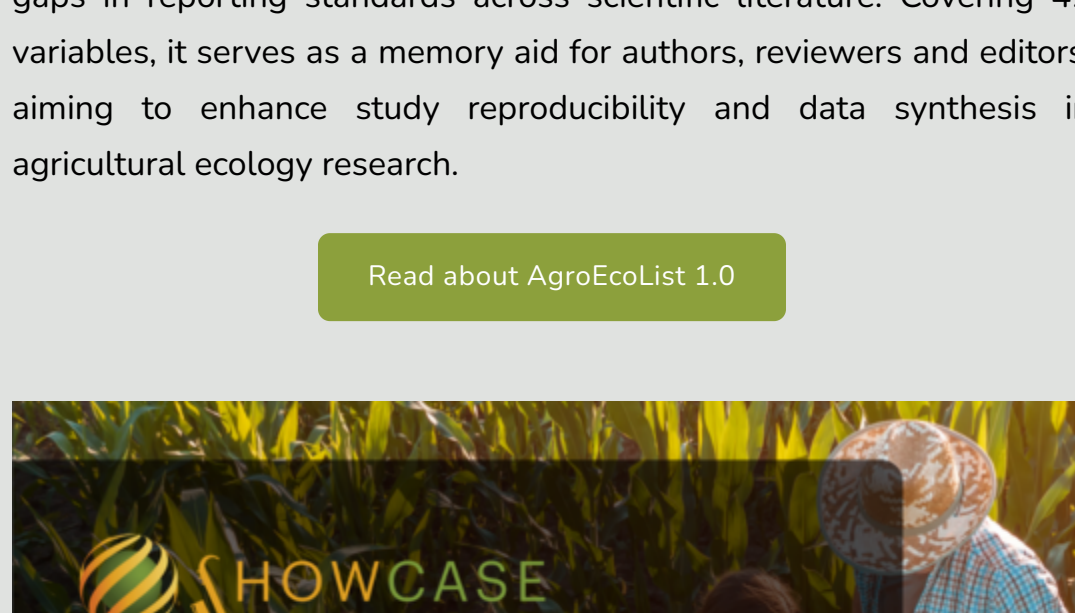
Updates corner

Find out more about the latest SHOWCASE news and activities



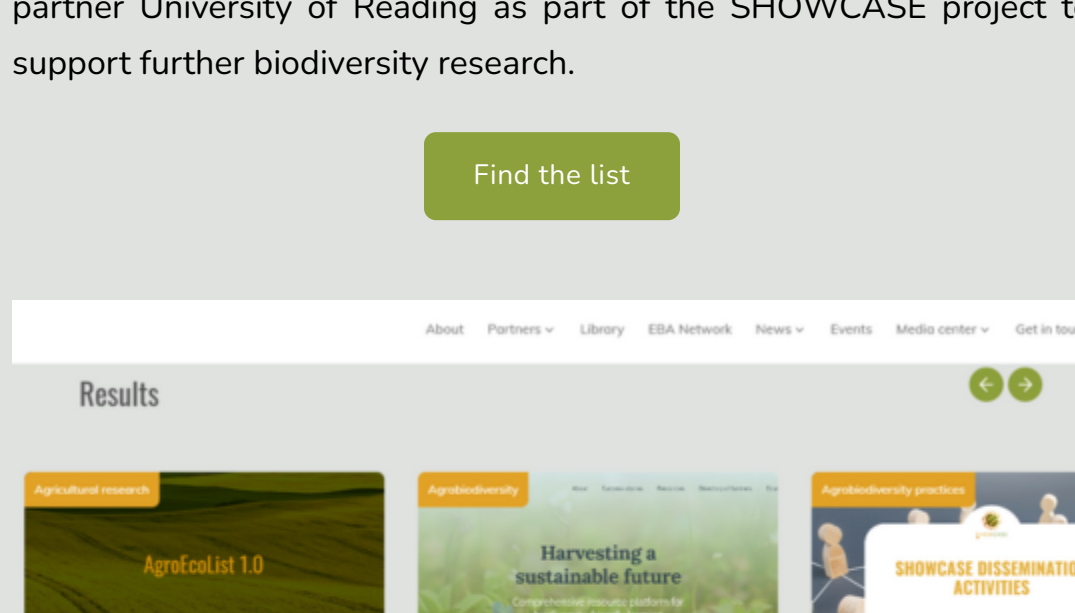
SHOWCASE has released new awareness-raising materials, developed by project partner [Scienseed](#), to promote biodiversity-friendly farming and pollinator protection. The resources include infographics and factsheets that explain the connection between biodiversity and food security, the benefits of biodiversity for farmers, and practical tips like building birdhouses and composting. These materials are available for download on the SHOWCASE website, aiming to encourage sustainable practices and raise awareness of the links between food systems and the environment.

[Find the materials](#)



A new reporting checklist, AgroEcoList 1.0, has been introduced to improve transparency and completeness in ecological research in agriculture. Developed by partner [University of Reading](#) and University of Cambridge with input from global experts, the checklist addresses gaps in reporting standards across scientific literature. Covering 42 variables, it serves as a memory aid for authors, reviewers and editors, aiming to enhance study reproducibility and data synthesis in agricultural ecology research.

[Read about AgroEcoList 1.0](#)



Citizen science schemes in the UK are crucial for monitoring farmland biodiversity, involving the public, amateur naturalists, and farmers in data collection. These efforts help track large-scale biodiversity trends and assess the effectiveness of biodiversity-promoting actions. A master file list of these UK schemes, where data is collated and made publicly available under open access agreements, has been created by partner University of Reading as part of the SHOWCASE project to support further biodiversity research.

[Find the list](#)



The SHOWCASE website has been revamped to enhance user experience and accessibility. The homepage is now results-focused, showcasing key project outcomes and impacts, while news items are organised into clear categories for easier navigation. A dedicated section for the EBAs is in the works and will be coming soon to support future results.

[Take a look](#)

Dissemination corner

Learn how SHOWCASE partners presented the project



Using a perception matrix to elicit farmers' perceptions towards stakeholders in the context of biodiversity-friendly farming

On the mathematical properties of spatial Rao's Q to compute ecosystem heterogeneity

Analyzing the relative importance of habitat quantity and quality for boosting pollinator populations in agricultural landscapes

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SHOWCASE features

Take a look where SHOWCASE has been featured lately



[InsectsCount featured in CORDIS](#)

Partner contributions

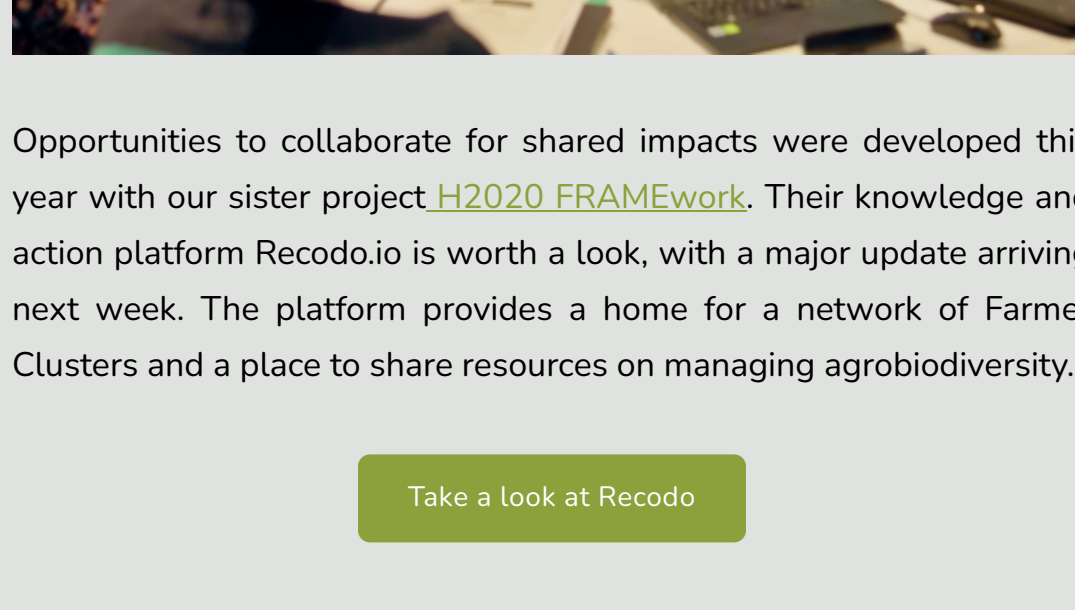
Find out more about other SHOWCASE-related contributions by partners

Former partner, Dr. Riho Marja, presented findings from a [SHOWCASE-funded study](#) at a COST Action webinar, discussing the effects of agri-environment schemes (AES) on arthropods and crop yield across European farmlands. The study, conducted by institutions like Wageningen University and the Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences, showed that while AES boost arthropod diversity, they often lead to reduced crop yields, especially in simple landscapes. In contrast, complex landscapes saw no significant impact on biodiversity or yield, highlighting the trade-off between conservation and productivity in agricultural systems.

[Read about her contribution](#)

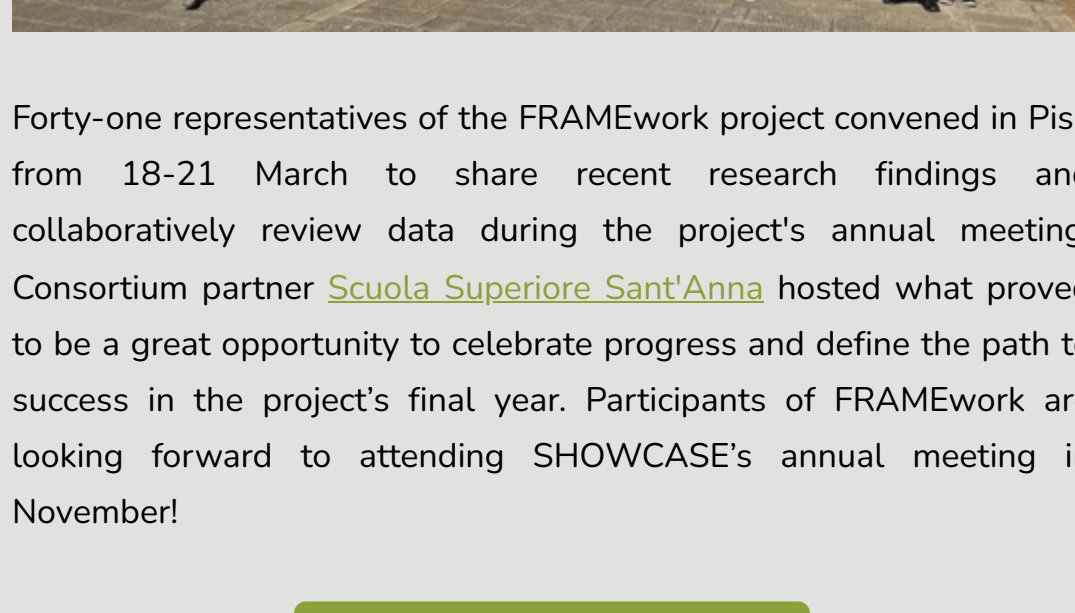
Synergies

Find out more about SHOWCASE's collaboration with FRAMEWORK



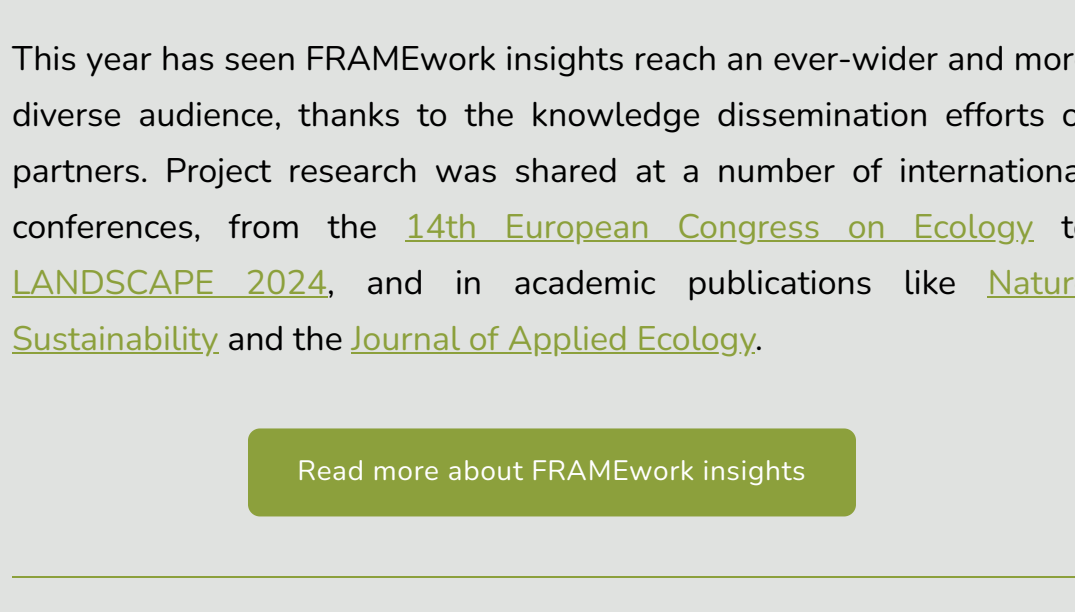
Opportunities to collaborate for shared impacts were developed this year with our sister project [H2020 FRAMEwork](#). Their knowledge and action platform Recodo.io is worth a look, with a major update arriving next week. The platform provides a home for a network of Farmer Clusters and a place to share resources on managing agrobiodiversity.

[Take a look at Recodo](#)



Forty-one representatives of the FRAMEwork project convened in Pisa from 18-21 March to share recent research findings and collaboratively review data during the project's annual meeting. Consortium partner [Scuola Superiore Sant'Anna](#) hosted what proved to be a great opportunity to celebrate progress and define the path to success in the project's final year. Participants of FRAMEwork are looking forward to attending SHOWCASE's annual meeting in November!

[Read about the annual meeting](#)

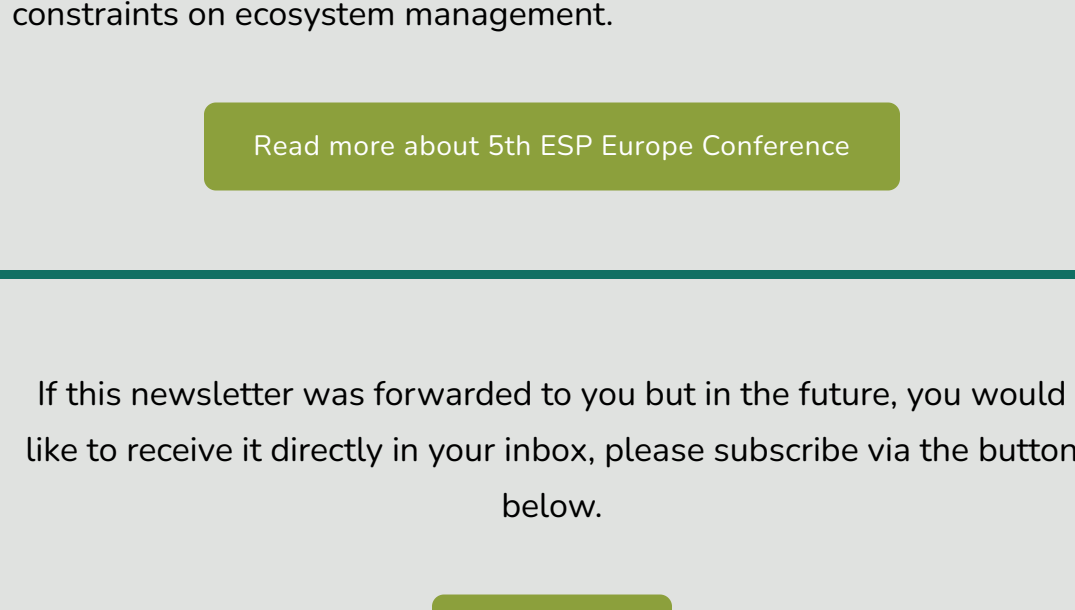


This year has seen FRAMEwork insights reach an ever-wider and more diverse audience, thanks to the knowledge dissemination efforts of partners. Project research was shared at a number of international conferences, from the [14th European Congress on Ecology to LANDSCAPE 2024](#), and in academic publications like [Nature Sustainability](#) and the [Journal of Applied Ecology](#).

[Read more about FRAMEwork insights](#)

Upcoming events

Take a look at upcoming events



This year, ESP hosts its 5th European conference under the theme **Ecosystem Services: One Planet, One Health** from 18-22 November in Wageningen, the Netherlands. SHOWCASE partners from [Wageningen University](#), [BOKU](#), [CNRS](#) and [Agroscope](#) will present project results on various topics, including co-designing biodiversity interventions, economic and non-economic costs of biodiversity measures for farmers, nature-based solutions experimentation, agroecological practices and biodiversity-based solutions and income constraints on ecosystem management.

[Read more about 5th ESP Europe Conference](#)

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