

BIONATURE 2015

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The Sixth International Conference on Bioenvironment, Biodiversity and Renewable Energies (BIONATURE 2015), held between May 24-29, 2015 in Rome, Italy, continued a series of events covering topics on environment, biodiversity and invasion, and renewable and sustainable energies.

Environmental change awareness is a key state of spirit and legislation for preventing, protecting, and ultimately saving the planet biodiversity. Technical and practical methods for applying bio-agriculture for the public's health and safety are primary targets. The goal is the use of ecological economic stimuli in tandem with social and governmental actions preventing deforestation, pollution, and global warming. To cope with the climate and landscape changes advanced technical inventory of tools and statistics on lessons learned are needed to derive appropriate measure and plan accordingly.

Replacing the classical energy with alternative renewable energy (green energy), such as bioenergy, eolian energy, or solar energy is an ecological and economic trend that suggests important socio-economic advantages: using native renewable resources, increasing of selfsufficiency rate of energy and promoting use of clean energy, and that way, polluting emissions to the air will be reduced. Bioenergy is renewable energy derived from biological sources, to be used for heat, electricity, or vehicle fuel. Biofuel derived from plant materials is among the most rapidly growing renewable energy technologies. In several countries corn-based ethanol is currently the largest source of biofuel as a gasoline substitute or additive. Recent energy legislation mandates further growth of both corn-based and advanced biofuels from other sources. Growing biofuel demand has implications for U.S. and world agriculture. Eolian energy is currently used throughout the world on a large scale. In the past decade, its evolution shows its acceptance as a source of generation, with expressive growth trends in the energy matrices in the countries where this source is used Eolian energy is renewable and has very low environmental impact. To generate it, there are no gas emissions, no effluent refuse, and no other natural resources, such as water, are consumed. Photovoltaic technology makes use of the energy in the sun, and it has little impact on the environment. Photovoltaics can be used in a wide range of products, from small consumer items to large commercial solar electric systems. The event brought together the challenging technical and regulation aspects for supporting and producing renewable energy with less or no impact on the ecosystems. There are several technical integration barriers and steps for social adoption and governmental legislation to favor and encourage this kind of energy.

The conference had the following tracks:

- Green energy, plant diversity, environmental responsibility
- Forest landscape

The conference also featured the following symposium:

- **ENVIROSENS 2015, *The International Symposium on Remote Sensing for Climate and Earth Monitoring***

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Also, this event could not have been a reality without the support of many individuals, organizations and sponsors. We also gratefully thank the members of the BIONATURE 2015 organizing committee for their help in handling the logistics and for their work that made this professional meeting a success.

We hope BIONATURE 2015 was a successful international forum for the exchange of ideas and results between academia and industry and to promote further progress in the areas of environment, biodiversity and invasion, and renewable and sustainable energies. We also hope that Rome, Italy provided a pleasant environment during the conference and everyone saved some time to enjoy the historic beauty of the city.

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