

The Circular Food Systems Network updates

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Highlights

The first case studies funded by the CFS network have been completed! Check link below for the final reports:

- Circularity in agroforestry systems in Peru & Colombia
- Circularity in grassland-based systems
- Circularity in livestock systems on tropical islands

Go to the CFS Network WUR project page to read the reports.

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New call for proposals is now open! More details in this newsletter.

## In this newsletter:

- Circular@WUR conference
- Finalized case studies
- Welcome Camila Bonilla-Cedrez!
- Call for new research proposals

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### New network co-coordinator

Karin Andeweg has been the coordinator of the CFS network since its launch. Since her appointment to a new position within WUR, we welcome Camila Bonilla-Cedrez as the new co-coordinator of the CFS network! Camila is a researcher at the Animal Production Systems group in Wageningen UR with a background in modeling and focusing on tropical farming systems.

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## Circular@WUR conference

The Circular@WUR conference took place from April 11th - 13th. The CFS network organized a dedicated session where speakers presented their research on circularity within agricultural systems. Topics that were discussed were:

- Mathieu Vigne (CIRAD) | Circularity in food systems on the tropical island of Reunion.
- Remko Kranendonk (WUR) | Carbon Farming - case of Farm Frites.
- Ngonidzashe Chirinda (UM6) | Achieving carbon neutral and resilient Mediterranean agro-food systems through circular management of organic resources.
- Madhura Rao (Maastricht University) | Let them eat fish! Exploring the possibility of utilising unwanted catch in food bank parcels in the Netherlands.
- Miel Hooijdonk (WUR) | Connected Circularity Challenge - Collectively designing the future of food & agriculture.

## Coming soon: call for new projects!

The CFS network funded its first case studies in 2021 to explore circularity across different agri-food systems around the world. This year, the network aims to fund two to three research projects to evaluate how different practices could reshape current food systems to increase the level of circularity and how these practices align with the principles of circularity. System thinking, collaboration, and networking are encouraged.

The call is now opened!

See <https://globalresearchalliance.org/n/cfs-network-call-for-project-proposals/>