

Agroforestry in RDPs 2014-2020: expectations according to the preliminary drafts submitted by the Italian regions to the European Commission

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Six of 20 regions have contemplated the establishment of agroforestry systems within Measure 8 (investments in forest area development and implementation of the viability of forests (art. 21-26), Sub-measure 8.2 (support for the establishment and maintenance of agroforestry systems).

Region	Supported operations	Max amounts €/ha (80%) + €/ha/year	Beneficiaries
Basilicata	a) Establishment of silvopastoral systems: Cultivation of forestry and agricultural woody species, with medium-long cultivation cycle, aimed to produce timber or biomass and other non-wood forest products, on the same area with livestock activity. Tree density: 60-200/ha. Allowed on agricultural lands or abandoned lands classified as forests; not allowed on permanent grassland or pastures.	2000 + 200	Private landowners and/or associations; municipalities
	b) Establishment of silvoarable systems: Cultivation of forestry and agricultural woody species on arable lands, with medium-long cultivation cycle, aimed to produce timber or biomass and other non-wood forest products. Tree density: 60-200/ha. Allowed on agricultural lands or abandoned forest lands; not allowed on permanent grassland or pastures.	2000 + 200	Private landowners and/or associations; municipalities
	c) Establishment of linear systems: Cultivation of one or more forestry and agricultural woody species, with medium-long cultivation cycle on field border of arable lands to realize hedges, windbreaks or buffer strips. Tree density: 60-200/ha.	2000 + 200	Private landowners and/or associations; municipalities
Emilia Romagna	a) Establishment of agroforestry systems on permanent fodder areas: establishment in livestock farms on fodder area without trees or shrubs. Woody area 10-25% of the total area, tree density 100-500/ha.	2000 + 150	Private landowners; municipalities
	b) Establishment of agroforestry systems on arable lands: Establishment of linear systems in hilly and mountain areas, woody area 10-25% of the total area, tree density 100-500/ha.	2000 + 150	Private landowners; municipalities
	c) Establishment of agroforestry systems in abandoned arable lands: Only in mountain areas and livestock farms on abandoned arable lands, woody area 10-25% of the total area, tree density 100-500/ ha.	1500 + 150	Private landowners; municipalities
Marche	a) Establishment of linear systems: Establishment of woody forest species, with medium-long cultivation cycle, to realize windbreaks or buffer strips protecting crops. Linear systems can be used to produce timber or biomass as well as non-forest products as secondary	0.8 (€/m ²) + 300	Private landowners; municipalities

	productive function. The area covered by trees must be included between 20% and 40% of the total field area. Not in permanent grasslands. At least 3 ha.		
	b) Establishment of silvoarable systems: Establishment of mixed woody species (shrubs species for non-forest products and broadleaves species) in rows, hedges or small groups. The area covered by trees must be included between 20% and 40% of the total field area. Not in permanent grassland. At least 3 ha.	0.8(€/m ²) + 300	Private landowners; municipalities
	c) Recovery of abandoned arable lands: Establishment of agroforestry systems for livestock activity. The area covered by trees must be included between 20% and 40% of the total field area. Only in mountain areas. At least 3 ha. Agricultural lands classified as forests because of abandonment dynamic.	1500 + 300	Private landowners; municipalities
Puglia	a) Establishment of linear systems: Establishment of hedges, buffer strips and windbreaks using forest species; up to 250 trees/ha. On agricultural lands combining plantation forestry and extensive agriculture.	2177.50 + 1277.50	Private or public landowners, municipalities
	b) Establishment of silvoarable systems: Establishment of one or more forestry woody species and/or shrubs, with medium-long cultivation cycle, up to 250 trees/ha, on agricultural lands combining forestry plantations and extensive agriculture.	2177.50 + 1277.50	Private or public landowners, municipalities
Umbria	a) Establishment of silvopastoral systems: Planting of forestry woody species on agricultural land, with medium-long cultivation cycle, combined with livestock activity, aimed to produce timber, biomass or other non-forest products. Tree density between 20 and 50 trees/ha with tree distance more than 10m.	2300 + 500	Private and public landowners or land managers
	b) Establishment of silvoarable systems: planting of one or more forest woody species or shrubs in rows or scattered, with medium-long cultivation cycle, aimed to produce timber or biomass and other non-forest products. Tree density between 40 and 100 trees/ha, distance between rows 20-30 m; distance between trees 5-10 m.	2000 + 500	Private and public landowners or land managers
Veneto	a) Establishment of silvopastoral systems: Selective thinning of trees species already present on agricultural lands to implement agricultural or livestock activity; it includes the recovery of abandoned agricultural lands occupied by the natural forestry vegetation.	Info not available	Private and public landowners.
	b) Establishment of silvoarable systems: Planting of one or more forest woody species or shrubs, with medium-long cultivation cycle, aimed to produce timber and/or biomass and/or non-forest products.	Info not available	Private and public landowners