



URUGUAY

Uruguayan-German Dialogue on Agriculture (DAUA)

The dialogue promotes bilateral and regional exchange on agroecological, sustainable and climate-resilient agricultural production systems

The Agriculture in Uruguay

The agricultural sector plays an important role in the Uruguayan economy and is affected by the impacts of climate change. Therefore, promoting sustainable and climate-resilient agro-ecosystems contributes to future-proof food systems. For the transition to agroecological systems, the Uruguayan agricultural policy is oriented towards the preservation of healthy soils, the protection of natural resources and the promotion of innovative approaches.

The Project

The agricultural technical dialogue promotes synergies in research, dissemination and application of agro-ecological, sustainable and climate-resilient production systems between Germany and Uruguay, as well as at regional and inter-American level. The cross-cutting aspect of DAUA's work is soil health. The dialogue brings together scientific, governmental, private and public sector professionals and networks, in the context of its thematic project focus on soil microbiology, bio-inputs, soil carbon sequestration, agricultural extension and hemp.

Project Goals

- To exploit the beneficial potential of the soil microbiome for healthy soils as a basis for efficient agricultural production systems.
- To foster favourable conditions for the promotion of agro-ecological and climate-resilient production systems at scientific, political, public and private levels.
- To communicate knowledge gained from the thematic fields of work covered by DAUA.
- To play an important role in the creation and strengthening of networks and regional coordination.

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Climate Adaptation and Climate Protection

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Soil samples are taken from the field in Uruguay. The research on bacteria isolate/synthetic consortia (syncom) is advancing from the laboratory work to greenhouse experiments.





PORTRAIT URUGUAY

Uruguay covers an area of about 176,000 km², with a population of around 3.5 million inhabitants, and is characterised by a diverse natural environment. The wide plains with partly hilly landscapes are characterised by natural grasslands. The influence of the rivers and the Atlantic Ocean determines the climatic conditions and the ecoregions of Uruguay, reflecting diverse agricultural activities ranging from livestock, agriculture to forestry.

Results and Successes

- Regional/international events and presentations on bioinputs – often jointly with the BKP project in Argentina – bringing together leading experts from Uruguay, Germany, Argentina and neighbouring countries.
- Study tour to Germany with representatives of ministries, science and the private sector from Uruguay and Argentina on the topic of bioinputs.
- National and German scientific dialogue with German institutions on models for carbon sequestration in soil.

Project Partners and Cooperations

- Ministry of Livestock, Agriculture and Fisheries (MGAP) – political partner
- National Institute for Agricultural Research (INIA) – operational partner
- Inter-American Institute for Cooperation on Agriculture (IICA)
- Cooperative Programme for the Development of Agrifood and Agro-Industrial Technology in the Southern Cone (PROCISUR)

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