

## REGENERATIVE SOCIETY FOUNDATION @COP28

## Regenerative economy for a just transition. Managing food security, water management and global health

Date: 11 December 2023 Time slot: 11.30am - 1pm

**Duration:** 1,5 hours

Location: Italian Pavilion, 'Blue Zone', Expo City Dubai

## Thematic focus

The role and regeneration of natural resources are crucial for the functioning of agri-food systems and for the management of negative externalities on ecosystems. Through the regenerative economy, starting from agriculture and running through the entire value chain, it is possible to design efficient and regenerative agri-food systems that create positive externalities both in terms of mitigation and adaptation to climate change.

The event involves, from a multilateral point of view, representatives of the Italian business world adhering to the Regenerative Society Foundation; representatives of the UN world, in particular UNFCCC and the Resilience frontiers initiative; institutional representatives of countries belonging to non-EU regional groupings and opinion leaders, with the aim of highlighting the necessary and urgent actions to ensure food security and global health through a fair and rational management of natural resources, with a particular focus on water and its role in agri-food systems. Representatives of the Italian Government are also involved in light of the importance of agri-food systems in the national economy and the need to design effective solutions in response to the impacts of the climate and ecological crisis on Italy and the Mediterranean.

The event will feature remote speakers, and audio/video material will be shared.



## List of organisations that will be in attendance:

- Regenerative Society Foundation, Arvea Marieni Technical Director RSF
- **UNFCCC Secretariat** (Daniele Violetti, Senior Director, Programmes Coordination UNFCCC)
- **EIT Food,** Lucy Wallace TBC
- Farmshine, Luca Alinovi (RSF member)
- **Spowdi,** Rupali Mehra (CMO)
- Planet Farms, Daniele Benatoff, RSF member remotely
- Deutsche Umwelthilfe, Sascha Müller-Kraenner Executive director
- European Commission (speaker TBC)

The panel will open with a <u>video</u> address by EU Commissioner **Virginijus Sinkevičius.** 

**Food for Thought**: How can we reshape our food systems for a regenerative and sustainable future?

**Roundtable**: the panel "Regenerative Economy for a Just Transition. Addressing food security, water management, and global health" will seek to answer this question and provide an opportunity to present a sustainable agriculture business model in Kenya run by one of RSF's members, **Farmshine**, offering insights into innovative and sustainable ways of designing and implementing sustainable agri-food supply chains.

In the light of the global (UNFCCC), European (Green Deal) and international operating framework, **best practices**, critical issues, and possibilities for evolution offered by the market for a just transition will be analyzed. Starting from the regenerative approach proposed by the Regenerative Society Foundation, and shedding light on the regulatory requirements and necessary actions required by the Legislature (Italian and European), it will be shown how companies can offer **practical solutions to the ecological transition on a local and global scale.**