



Acronym	Green Galicia
Full Title	Strengthening Forest Resilience through Community Participation and Climate-Smart Forestry
Partner(s)	Gallanova Norte, S.L.U., Spain
Grant Theme	Citizen and Stakeholder Engagement in CSF and forest restoration
Start Date	December 2024
Duration	18 months
Description	Galicia, a European forestry powerhouse, faces significant challenges due to high wildfire incidence, dispersed rural population, and fragmented forest management by Comunidades de Montes Vecinales en Mano Común (CMVMC). These issues hinder sustainable forest management and increase vulnerability to climate change. The Green Galicia project aims to enhance forest resilience and promote sustainable management through active community participation and Climate-Smart Forestry (CSF) practices. The project seeks to: • improve wildfire prevention by creating natural firebreaks and diversifying forest species, • train local communities and CMVMCs in sustainable forest management and CSF practices, • foster citizen participation in decision-making processes, • develop technological tools for fire risk monitoring and management. The project primarily targets CMVMC members, local communities living near forests, and other stakeholders involved in forest management. Specific efforts will ensure the inclusion of underrepresented groups, such as women and youth, to foster broader engagement and knowledge sharing. Key activities include implementing a pilot plan for natural firebreaks, organizing training workshops on CSF practices, establishing advisory committees for citizen participation, and developing a mobile app for fire risk monitoring. The app will be designed to allow continued use and maintenance by CMVMCs beyond the project period. These activities will be carried out in collaboration with local communities, leveraging their knowledge and engagement. The project runs for 18 months, with regular community workshops, pilot projects for firebreak creation, and the development of digital tools. Continuous feedback from participants will be integrated to ensure the project's relevance and effectiveness. Additional resources are allocated for documenting and disseminating the project's results, including creating best practice guides and distributing them through digital platforms and regional events. The outcomes will be documented and shared for broader replication across Galicia and other regions.



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