

Final event - Impact of the Satellite Projects

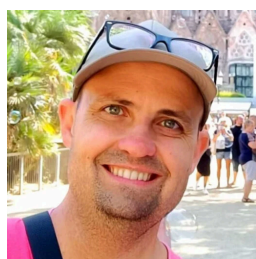
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Wednesday 29th of April 2026 (Auditorium)			
Date	WP/Task n.	Description	Convener
09:30-9:45	Registration	Registration for Day 3 at L0	CETAF GS
09:45- 10:45	Extending the TETTRIS Ecosystem: Impact of the Satellite Projects	Panel gathering success stories from PIs, participants, administrator and topic leads	Emiliano Mori (L.U.C.E.) Pavla Ruzkova (IBOT CAS) Berta Caballero (INC-STEP) Hugo Gaspar (ARCADE) Roberto Guidetti (SoilMats) Alessandro Lagrotteria (L.U.C.E.)

Aims:

This panel explores how cascade funding under Horizon Europe supports innovation, participation, and real-world impact through smaller, targeted projects. It will highlight their role in advancing taxonomy, improving species identification, and strengthening data systems. The discussion will share lessons learned and showcase successful examples from beneficiaries.

Moderator



Emiliano Mori is an Italian zoologist and researcher at the Italian National Research Council (CNR), specialising in wildlife ecology, conservation biology, and invasive species. His work focuses on mammals and biodiversity monitoring, often using citizen science and applied ecological methods. He has authored numerous scientific publications on species distribution, behaviour, and conservation across Europe. He also coordinated the TETTRIS satellite project LUCE, which supports early-career researchers and improves knowledge and data integration on fireflies in the Italian Peninsula using advanced taxonomic workflows.

Panellists

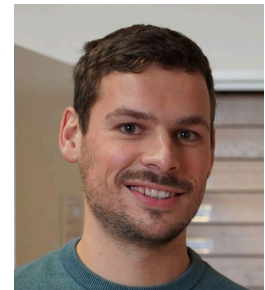
Pavla Růžková is a researcher and project manager at the Institute of Botany of the Czech Academy of Sciences, specialising in biodiversity, taxonomy, and research coordination. Her work focuses on strengthening scientific collaboration, supporting data integration, and advancing European research infrastructures. She plays a key role in developing funding and capacity-building mechanisms within large-scale projects. She is also the Work Package Leader for third-party funding and development of the TETTRIS blueprint, and has contributed extensively to designing the call for proposals for the project's satellite initiatives.





Berta Caballero López is curator of Arthropods at the Museu de Ciències Naturals de Barcelona, where she manages a collection of around 2 million specimens. Her work combines collection curation with agroecological research, focusing on how agricultural intensification affects key ecosystem services such as predation and pollination. She is also interested in cave-dwelling fauna, exploring less-studied “dark” biodiversity. In addition, she represents the satellite project **INC-STEP**, which aims to establish a national reference collection for Spain’s threatened pollinators.

Hugo Gaspar is a biologist, currently working as a PhD student at FLOWer lab, at the University of Coimbra, in Portugal. His thesis deals mostly around clarifying the distribution of Portuguese bee species, by studying museum collections and field sampling to generate tools to predict distribution dynamics and pollination services. He is a member of the satellite project **ARCADE**, mostly coordinating the work around bee collections.



Dr Roberto Guidetti is a zoologist and researcher at the University of Modena and Reggio Emilia, specialising in invertebrate biology with a focus on meiofauna and soil biodiversity. His work addresses the taxonomy, ecology, and conservation of small soil-dwelling organisms that are essential for ecosystem functioning. He is the coordinator of the **SoilMATs (Soil Meiofauna Advanced Taxonomy School)** project, which trains early-career researchers in advanced taxonomic methods for soil meiofauna. His research contributes to strengthening expertise in the study of often-overlooked components of biodiversity.

Alessandro Lagrotteria is a Master’s student in Environmental Biology at the University of Turin and a research collaborator at the National Research Council (CNR). He is an eclectic environmental biologist and conservationist, with a research focus spanning from terrestrial and marine mammals to insects, using both standard and innovative, non-invasive and molecular monitoring techniques. He is also actively involved in social ecology and citizen science, combining research with science communication and outreach through social media. He participated to the **L.U.C.E.** course.

