



## Nyhedsbrev – Kompost nr. 18

I anledning af afslutning af SOILCOM projektet afholdes et internationalt webinar Increasing Possibilities in Compost Production and Use den 15.juni kl. 14-16.

Læs mere nedenfor om webinarret, der foregår på engelsk, samt program og link til registrering til webinarret.

The SOILCOM project invites you for the webinar 'Increasing possibilities for compost production and use'.

SOILCOM is an Interreg North Sea Region (NSR) project with the aim to provide NSR authorities involved in biological waste, compost and water management with tools to regulate and administer the sector. The project provides practitioners involved in compost production and use with tools to develop and implement new quality compost products for specific uses, as economically and environmentally effective soil improvers. The long term effect of SOILCOM is to preserve and protect the environment by having positive impacts on soil quality, system resilience, soil carbon storage and reduced pesticide use.

The past 4 years, the SOILCOM partners have analysed and characterized more than 60 composts. Extensive knowledge is obtained about composts and the added value of compost application for soils and cultivations. It is clear that compost application has many benefits:

- Increased soil health; SOILCOM research partners have seen an increase in soil life and biodiversity as well as an increased organic matter content.
- The long term use of compost leads to an increase in yield of different crops: arable crops, vegetable and horticultural crops;
- Optimizing soils by compost application is also the basis for crop health, with the possibility to decrease the use of pesticides and inorganic fertilizers.
- Increase of water holding capacity and improvement of soil structure, important in both periods with a significant rainfall deficit and extreme showers. Compost offers a significant answer to climate change mitigation.

These benefits stand or fall with good composting practices.

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In this webinar, the SOILCOM partners will show the results of optimized compost production and the beneficial effects of compost application.

The SOILCOM partners like to discuss with you as policy makers the possible actions for soil improvement by increasing use of good quality compost.



Therefore we warmly invite you for the webinar!

### Registration

At this link . [For registration click here](#) you can register to secure your participation. Please be aware that the webinar will be recorded and by registering you agree to it.

### Agenda

- 14:00 Introduction of the program and household announcements  
*By Esther Hessel, Hessel Marketing & Communication*
- 14:10 Introduction of the project and its objectives; overview of the results of SOILCOM.  
*By Hanne Lakkenborg Kristensen, Aarhus University and project leader of SOILCOM*
- 14:30 Compost production and process optimisations. Bringing feedstocks together in optimized compost processes, leading to quality end products.  
*By Koen Willekens, ILVO*
- 14.50 Characterization of feedstocks and end products. Analysis of 56 composts gives practical tools for decision making in composting processes and use of tailor made compost.  
*By Fien Amery, ILVO*
- 15:10 Quality assurance and certification of tailormade compost and advise for policy makers.  
*By Wim Vanden Auweele, VLACO and Chair of Quality Assurance Technical Working Group of ECN*
- 15:30 Questions and discussion on the way forward for compost use and policy.
- 16:00 End of meeting

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<https://northsearegion.eu/soilcom>

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