

Agenda of REXUS - LENSES Joint 5th Plenary Meeting

Dates: Tuesday 7th November 2023 – Thursday 9th November 2023

Venue: Grecotel Larissa Imperial Hotel, Larissa, Greece, both in-person & virtual

Objectives:

For each project: take stock & plan remaining time, focus on nexus & exploitation.
 For joint perspective: explore synergies & complementarities & translate them into roadmaps, also look at transferability.

** In following Table: “WP2R” means WP2 REXUS while “WP2L” means WP2 LENSES.*

See table of WPs below the agenda.

| Monday 6 th , 2023 | |
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| 08:00 – 18:00 | Optional Extra Field Trip Route: Larissa – Mouzaki (Flood damages and infrastructure collapse)– Pyli (River divergence project and governance issues) – Meteora (scenic view of Aeolic erosion formations and optional visit at a monastery) – Kastraki (Lunch) – Kalambaka (coffee-souvenirs) - Larissa |
| Day 1. Tuesday 7 th , 2023 | |
| 09:00 – 09:30 | Opening of REXUS – LENSES Joint 5th Plenary Meeting |
| 09:30 – 10:20 | Presentation of REXUS & LENSES projects 09:30 – 09:45 REXUS Overview & Health Check 09:45 – 10:00 LENSES Overview & Health Check 10:00 – 10:10 Synergies & Complementarity of REXUS & LENSES 10:10 – 10:20 Q&A, Discussion |
| 10:20-10:40 | Stakeholder Introduction <i>(script template will be provided)</i> Each stakeholder presents briefly their mission & day-to-day work, how it is related to nexus and how they can benefit (or have already benefitted) from REXUS-LENSES |
| 10:40-11:10 | Coffee break |
| 11:10 – 12:10 | Session 1a: Implementation of “common WPs” in pilot areas <i>(ppt template will be provided to WP leaders)</i> 10:20 – 10:30 WP2R+WP2L+WP3L (LAA & Policies) 10:30 – 10:50 WP3R+WP7L (Observatory - except water accounting) 10:50 – 11:10 WP4R+WP4L integrated implementation view |
| 12:10 – 12:40 | Session 1b: Implementation of “different WPs” in pilot areas <i>(ppt template will be provided to WP leaders)</i> 12:10 – 12:20 WP5R implementation overview (NbS & ESS in REXUS) 12:20 – 12:30 WP5L+WP6L implementation overview (NbS & ESS in LENSES) 12:30 – 12:40 WP3R+WP7L (water accounting tasks in each project) Distill common elements & analyze complementarity and differences |

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| 12:40 – 13:10 | Session 2a: Pilot Area Stories of Implementation of WPs <i>(ppt template will be provided to pilot leaders – presentation by pilot leaders & stakeholders)</i> Pinios (pilot area in REXUS & LENSES) |
| 13:10 – 14:10 | Lunch |
| 14:10 – 15:50 | Session 2b: Pilot Area Stories of Implementation of WPs <i>(ppt template will be provided to pilot leaders – presentation by pilot leaders & stakeholders)</i> All other pilots (4 REXUS & 6 LENSES) – 20 min each (first 5 pilots in this session - order tbd) |
| 15:50 – 16:20 | Coffee Break |
| 16:20-18:00 | Session 2b continued: Pilot Area Stories of Implementation of WPs <i>(ppt template will be provided to pilot leaders – presentation by pilot leaders & stakeholders)</i> All other pilots (4 REXUS & 6 LENSES) – 20 min each (remaining 5 pilots in this session - order tbd) |
| 18:00 – 18:20 | Q&A, Discussion (similarities, twinning/grouping of pilots) |
| 18:20 – 19:20 | Communication /Exploitation 18:20 – 18:35 WP7R status 18:35 – 18:50 WP9L status 18:50 – 19:20 Breakout Groups: Synergies & Complementarities |
| 19:20 – 19:30 | Briefing for field trip |
| 20:30 | Dinner Reception at Imperial Hotel |
| Day 2. Wednesday 8th, 2023 | |
| 08:00 – 18:00 | Field Trip (including some open air sessions, also with stakeholders) Route: Larissa – Dochos (drive along the edge of Pinios Delta and Delta area panorama) – Karitsa (drive along the eastern slopes of Mt Kissavos)- Agia (visit of Kissavos cooperative packaging unit)- Metaxochori (visit of pilot field and open discussion-lunch)- Lake Karla (Kanalía observatory and flooded area of eastern Thessaly) - Larissa |
| 20:00 – 23:30 | Free leisure time Transfer to/from the city center by bus at the specified times (Imperial Hotel-city center and back) |
| Day 3. Thursday 9th, 2023 | |
| 08:30 – 08:40 | Wrap-up 1st and 2nd Days & Preview 3rd Day |
| 08:40 – 09:00 | Session 3: Condensed overview of pilot areas 08:40–08:50 Summarize each REXUS & LENSES pilot area (90 sec each) 08:50–09:00 Distil common features (grouping) & Cross-learning |
| 09:00 – 10:45 (project partners + stakeholders) | Stakeholders' Session SH2 - Nexus Thinking: Discuss questions like → Sectoral or trans-sectorial management, how are we doing? → Green vs grey solutions: can they coexist? (1h breakout groups, 45 mins plenary) |

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| 10:45 – 11:15 | Coffee Break |
| 11:15 – 12:50 (project partners + stakeholders) | Stakeholders' Session SH3 – Nexus Doing: Where & how are we going forward? Roadmaps? (1h breakout groups, 35 mins plenary) |
| 12:50 – 13:50 | Lunch |
| 13:50 – 15:20 | Session 4: Rotating tables pilot areas with all Work Package leaders: Nexus Implementation & validation |
| 15:20 – 15:50 | Coffee Break |
| 15:50 – 16:50 | Session 5: Rotating tables between Work Packages: Synergies & Validation |
| 16:50 – 17:20 | Exploitation & Sustainability 16:50 – 17:15 breakout groups 17:15 – 17:20 plenary wrap-up |
| 17:20-17:50 | REXUS & LENSES wrap-up & action plan (in parallel sessions) |
| 17:50-18:10 | REXUS & LENSES Joint wrap-up (including stakeholder sessions) |
| 18:10 – 18:50 | Advisory Board & POs feedback |
| 18:50 – 19:00 | Joint Project Meeting Closure |
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| 19:15 – 19:45 | REXUS & LENSES Board Meetings (in parallel sessions) |
| 20:00 – 23:30 | Free leisure time Transfer to/from the city center by bus at the specified times (Imperial Hotel-city center and back) |
| Friday 10th, 2023 | |
| 08:00 – 18:00 | Optional Extra Field Trip Route: Larissa – Mouzaki (Flood damages and infrastructure collapse)– Pyli (River divergence project and governance issues) – Meteora (scenic view of Aeolic erosion formations and optional visit at a monastery) – Kastraki (Lunch) – Kalambaka (coffee-souvenirs) - Larissa |

WP structures:

| REXUS | | | LENSES | | |
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| WP1 | REXUS Project Management | UCLM | WP1 | Project Management | CREA |
| WP2 | Learning and Action Alliances | ICATALIST | WP2 | Learning and Action Alliances | ECOADAPTA |
| WP3 | REXUS Observatory | DRAXIS | WP3 | Policy perspectives | IRSA |
| WP4 | Advancing Nexus Thinking | UCAM | WP4 | Participatory SDMs | IRSA |
| WP5 | Incorporating nature-based approaches into Nexus Solutions | WCMC | WP5 | Ecosystem Services Assessments and Nature-based Solutions | TUC |
| WP6 | Implementation in Pilot cases | AGRISAT | WP6 | Environmental and natural resource economics approaches for Nexus business | ETIFOR |
| WP7 | Pathways to Impact | GWP-Med | WP7 | Nexus operationalization for SDG delivery | DRAXIS |
| WP8 | Ethics requirements | UCLM | WP8 | Implementation in Pilot Cases | AGRISAT |
| | | | WP9 | Pathways to Impact | CREA |