

Climate-Smart Agriculture Webinar 1 Agenda

- Date/Time** Thursday, July 7, 2016
9-11 am PDT (California) / 6-8pm CEST (Netherlands)
- Topic** Challenges and Opportunities of Saline Agriculture
- Hosts** California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA)
Netherlands Ministry of Economic Affairs (MEA-NL)
University of California Davis (UC Davis)
Wageningen UR
- Participants**
- Moderators:
Madeleine van Mansfeld, *Wageningen UR*
Gertjan Fonk, *MEA-NL*
Amrith Gunasekara, *CDFA*
Josette Lewis, *UC Davis - World Food Center*
- Speakers:
Steve Grattan, *UC Davis - Dept. of Land, Air and Water Resources*
Don Cameron, *Terranova Ranch, CA*
Lodewijk Stuyt, *Wageningen UR - Dept. of Soil, Water and Land use*
Arjen de Vos, *Saltfarm Texel, NL*
- Summary** This is the first in a series of webinars that is being jointly hosted by California and the Netherlands, as part of a collaboration to foster partnership and knowledge-sharing to address climate change in these two innovative agriculture-focused regions. Our discussion today will focus on adapting agriculture in California's Central Valley and the delta areas in North-western Europe to high salinity conditions by shifting to alternative crop varieties and through other on-farm practices. Scientific experts Steve Grattan and Lodewijk Stuyt will provide broad contexts to the salinity challenges the agriculture sectors in their respective regions face and offer perspectives on a range of possible solutions being investigated at their universities. Arjen de Vos and Don Cameron will offer farmer perspectives based on experiences with high salinity and innovative solutions they have are testing and using.

Detailed Agenda

9:00- 9:05 am	<i>van Mansfeld</i>	Opening remarks & welcome: explain set up, expected results
9:05-9:10 am	<i>Gunasekara</i>	Context and stakes from CA
9:10-9:15 am	<i>Fonk</i>	Context and stakes from NL
9:15-9:30 am	<i>Grattan</i>	Intro of saline agriculture in CA (with powerpoint)
9:30-9:45 am	<i>Stuyt</i>	Intro of saline agriculture in NL (with powerpoint)
9:45-9:50 am	<i>van Mansfeld</i>	Q&A- informative questions on context and intro material
9:50-10:05 am	<i>de Vos</i>	Case study overview on producing saline-tolerant crop varieties in NL (with powerpoint)
10:05- 10:20 am	<i>Cameron</i>	Case study overview on diversified farming strategies in CA (with powerpoint)
10:20-10:25 am	<i>van Mansfeld</i>	Q&A- informative questions on case studies
10:25- 10:50 am	<i>Lewis</i>	Moderated discussion with webinar participants