

**Norwich Research Park Agri-Tech Week Workshop**  
Rooted in Science: Transforming Soil for Tomorrow's Farms  
Policy and practice for healthy soil

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> October, 11.45 – 16.30  
Earlham Institute, Norwich Research Park

Anglia Innovation Partnership is hosting a half-day workshop that brings together leading experts and stakeholders from across the agriculture and environment sectors including academic researchers, policy makers, farmers and industry leaders. We invite you to contribute your insights, share practical challenges, and identify key priorities for action across farming and land management in providing solutions to support policy for establishing healthy soil.

This collaborative event offers a unique opportunity to hear about latest applications of research for soil health, soil microbiome, and root-soil relation and explore innovative solutions, including bioengineered and nature-based approaches, that support Defra's goals and strengthen output of the UK agri-food sector.

**Who should attend?**

This event will be of interest to agri farmers, agri companies, and agri-government agencies.

**How to register:**

Book your ticket via Eventbrite using the following link:

<https://bit.ly/NorwichResearchParkRootedinScienceWorkshop>

**Agenda**

11.45	<b>Registration</b> Earlham Institute, Norwich Research Park
12.00	<b>Welcome</b> <b>Dr Monika Chhetry</b> , Science Collaboration Manager, Anglia Innovation Partnership (AIP)
12.20	<b>Plenary Talks</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>DEFRA Representative</li> <li><a href="#">Dr Robert Bradburne</a>, Chief Scientist, Environmental Agency</li> </ul>
12.50	<b>Lunch and networking</b>
13.35	<b>Flash talks from leading scientists</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Dr Georgina Barratt</b>, Head of Crop Production, British Beet Research Organisation <a href="#">BBRO</a> ; <a href="#">Georgina Barratt</a></li> <li><b>Prof Brian Reid</b>, Professor of Soil Science, University of East Anglia <a href="#">Brian Reid - University of East Anglia</a></li> <li><b>Dr Sarah Guiziou</b>, Plant root-microbial interactions, Group Leader, Earlham Institute <a href="#">Sarah Guiziou</a>   <a href="#">Earlham Institute</a></li> <li><b>Dr Maria Hernandez-Soriano</b>, Soil Chemist, Post-doctoral scientist, John Innes Centre <a href="#">Dr Maria C. Hernandez-Soriano</a>   <a href="#">John Innes Centre</a></li> </ul>

14.20	<b>Workshop Introduction</b> Dr Monika Chhetry, Science Collaboration Manager, Anglia Innovation Partnership (AIP)
14.25	<b>Comfort Break</b>
14.40	<b>Workshops - Policy and practice for good soil health</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li> <b>Session 1- Identifying Challenges</b>  Objective: Explore the key challenges to achieving good soil health from different perspectives. </li> <li> <b>Session 2- Tools and support to deliver solutions in addressing the challenges discussed in first session</b>  Objective: Identify practical solutions and support mechanisms for improving soil health. </li> <li> <b>Session 3- Facilitated discussion</b>  Objective: Share insights and proposed actions from each group </li> </ul>
16.30	<b>Event close and goodbyes</b>

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