

ADAPTA INDUSTRIA PROJECT

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Development of a self-diagnosis manual for risks and the integration of climate change adaptation in the food industry, through the selection of methodologies and successful experiences discussed in technical seminars, their implementation through pilot projects in companies in eastern Spain, and the development of training, experience-sharing, and awareness-raising activities. Duration: 2023, 2024 and 2025

ACTIVITIES

1. Outreach and Communication
2. Development of an initial knowledge base
3. Development of four technical seminars
4. Drafting of a methodological manual for climate risk self-assessment
5. Implementation of two specific training courses for company technicians
6. Implementation of self-assessments through pilot projects
7. Creation of a space for disseminating information sources, success stories, and case studies. "Campus Adapta Industria" (Industry Adaptation Campus)
8. Conducting two awareness-raising sessions for project writers and company CEOs
9. Estimation of the adaptations and changes that will be generated in the sector thanks to the commitments achieved in the project and the diagnosis generated.



RESULTS

The Association of Food Industries of Murcia, Alicante and Albacete (AGRUPAL), to assist companies facing the challenge of climate change, has launched, with the support of the Biodiversity Foundation of the Ministry for Ecological Transition and Demographic Challenge, the ADAPTA INDUSTRIA project. The purpose of this project is to generate knowledge so that, through self-assessment, the food and beverage industries can evaluate their situation and design adaptation strategies. The food and beverage industry is a fundamental piece in the value chain of the agri-food sector. It is a sector that absorbs a significant portion of local agricultural production and a substantial part of the production from the packaging industry .

Within the framework of the ADAPTA INDUSTRIA project, work has been done on identifying and selecting methodologies and successful experiences that have been discussed in four technical seminars with the participation of company technicians and experts. In these seminars, quantitative objectives have been identified that allow, by comparison, the self-assessment of a company with respect to regulatory trends and the levels of eco-responsibility demanded by investors, consumers, and other stakeholders.

Additionally, training activities have been developed to apply the resulting knowledge through the organization of two specific training courses on possibilities for adaptation to climate change in companies.

Similarly, more than 25 pilot projects have been developed to allow the application of tools and resulting knowledge to the real situation of companies, a space for dissemination of information sources, successful experiences, and practical cases of interest has been created, which is the "Adapta Industria Corporate Campus," as well as the creation of 7 informative panels that have been sent to organizations and entities in a traveling exhibition.

The Adapta Industria Project also developed awareness activities with the celebration of meetings and informative sessions especially directed at Food Industry executives, company technicians, and project writers.

The project, in general, will facilitate a first approach of the food and beverage processing industry to the challenge of climate change, enabling the estimation of associated risks and the competitive advantages derived from reducing emissions contribution, embracing the principles of a low-carbon and circular economy, and adaptation to physical impacts

Through the development of this project, the various risks facing the food industry in the future due to the impact of climate change on its production activities have been identified, and various adaptation measures have been established that companies in the sector can implement in the future. Various training activities and four outreach sessions have been conducted, and more than 25 companies in the sector have participated in the project, developing pilot projects for adapting to climate change.



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