



"APPIA-ITALIAN NETWORK OF PASTORALISM ONLUS" LAUNCHED

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Despite being a vital part of the economy and of daily life, Italian pastoralists are marginalized and rendered voiceless. A network, APPIA- Italian Network of Pastoralism Onlus, has been created to combat these problems and to give voice to local pastoralists. This group brings together breeders, professionals in the veterinary and agro-forestry-pastoral sectors, researchers, and academics.

On February 23rd, at the Appia Antica Regional Park in Rome, the headquarters of the network, the 20 subscribing members met to officially launch the group's mission.

APPIA works to guarantee representation of the sector at national and international levels and to ensure contribution and support of local entities that work in the business of extensive and transhumant breeding.

During the Assembly in Rome, working groups were formed among the associates, and themes to be addressed were identified as the main challenges confronting pastoralists: relationships with protected areas, cohabitation with predators, enhancement of production chains, initiatives aimed at training and innovation, and improvement of visibility through efficient communication. Collaboration and partnerships with organizations in other countries will help consolidate common beliefs and goals, such as reforming the Common Agricultural Policy.

All citizens, associations of pastoralists and breeders who wish to contribute to the creation and implementation of specific social goals, as well as follow the initiative are invited to join the network.

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