

# EUROPEAN CLUSTERING EVENT

ZARAGOZA | 6-8 MAY 2026



# EU CLUSTERING EVENT ON ADVANCED TECHNOLOGIES AND DIGITALISATION

*strategic* action within FOCAL to connect projects, avoid duplication and accelerate *European impact*.

*The European Clustering Event's organised by:*



A magnifying glass is positioned over a vintage-style map of Europe. The lens is centered on the British Isles and France, showing cities like London, Manchester, and Paris. The text is overlaid on the magnified area.

**FROM INDIVIDUAL  
PROJECTS TO A  
EUROPEAN ECOSYSTEM**

**CLUSTERING IS NOT AN  
EVENT.**

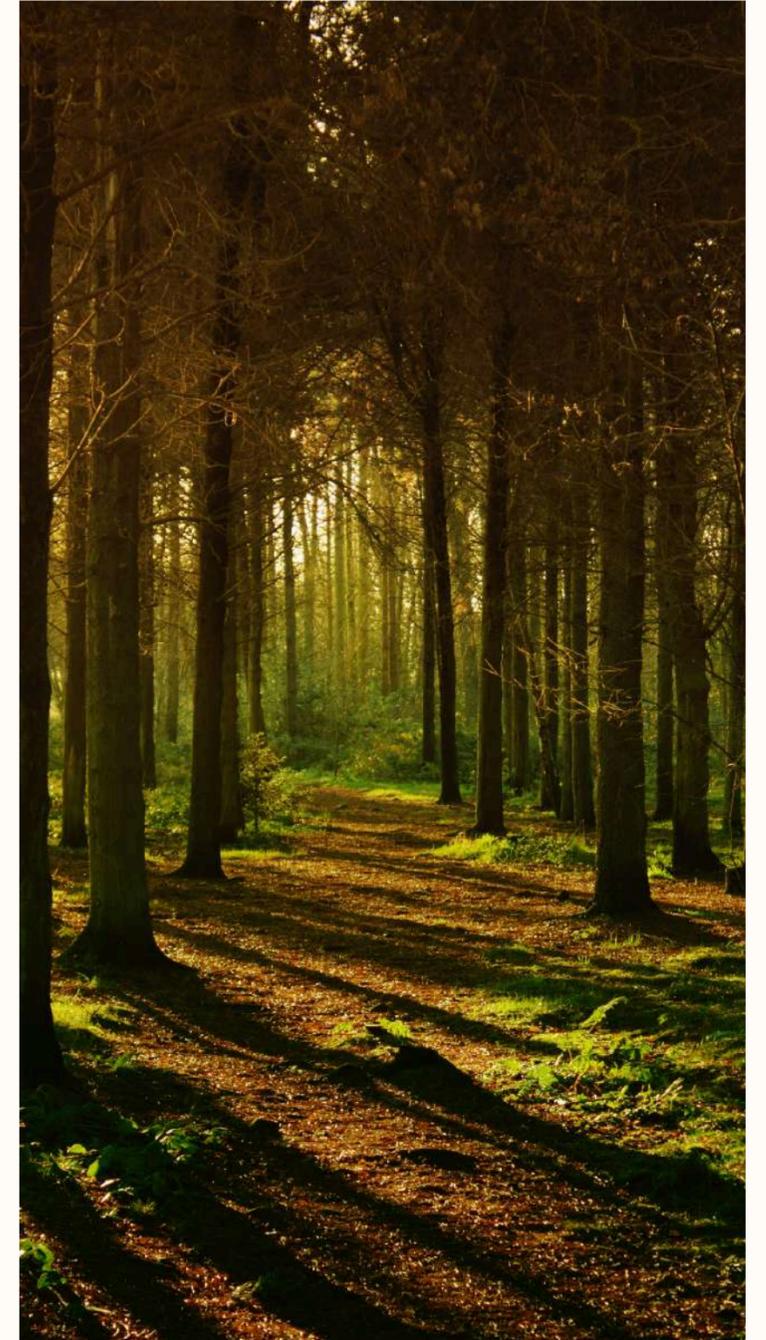
**IT IS A STRUCTURED  
MECHANISM TO:**

- Connect EU-funded initiatives
- Align methodologies and standards
- Share operational lessons
- Create joint scaling pathways
- Strengthen EU policy impact

# BRINGING TOGETHER EUROPE'S CLIMATE-TECH ECOSYSTEM

The event aims to gather sister projects, flagship initiatives, SMEs, public authorities and policy actors to:

- Identify common challenges
- Map complementarities
- Define collaboration mechanisms
- Establish a Joint Clustering Board



# EUROPEAN COMMISSION ENGAGEMENT IN CLUSTERING



- Reinforces cooperation between **sister projects across Europe**
- Helps **translate research into policy and real-world solutions**
- Accelerates the **scaling of innovations funded by Horizon Europe**
- Strengthens the **European ecosystem for climate and digital innovation**

**THE PRESENCE OF THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION IN CLUSTERING EVENTS IS KEY TO STRENGTHENING COLLABORATION AMONG EU-FUNDED PROJECTS AND AMPLIFYING THEIR COLLECTIVE IMPACT**

# ARAGÓN AS A EUROPEAN HUB FOR CLIMATE DIGITALISATION



- Generate **international synergies** to study and predict climate change impacts
- Promote **digitalisation in agro-forestry sectors** in EU depopulated regions
- Develop Aragón as a **lighthouse territory** for Digital Twins and AI applied to forest protection
- Position Aragón at the **forefront of digital technologies** for agro-forestry resilience
- Strengthen the region's **Smart Specialisation Strategy (S3)** in agro-forestry technologies



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EFFICIENT EXPLORATION  
OF CLIMATE DATA LOCALLY

# EU CLUSTERING ON ADVANCED TECHNOLOGIES AND DIGITALISATION FOR CLIMATE ACTION IN AGRO-FORESTRY AND THE BLUE ECONOMY

**FOCAL: European Clustering Event**  
**Zaragoza, Spain**  
**6–8 May 2026**

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**DAY 1**

# **ALIGN POLICY, TECHNOLOGY AND PILOT IMPLEMENTATION FOR EUROPEAN AGRO-FORESTRY CLIMATE ACTION.**

## **POLICY & STRATEGY**

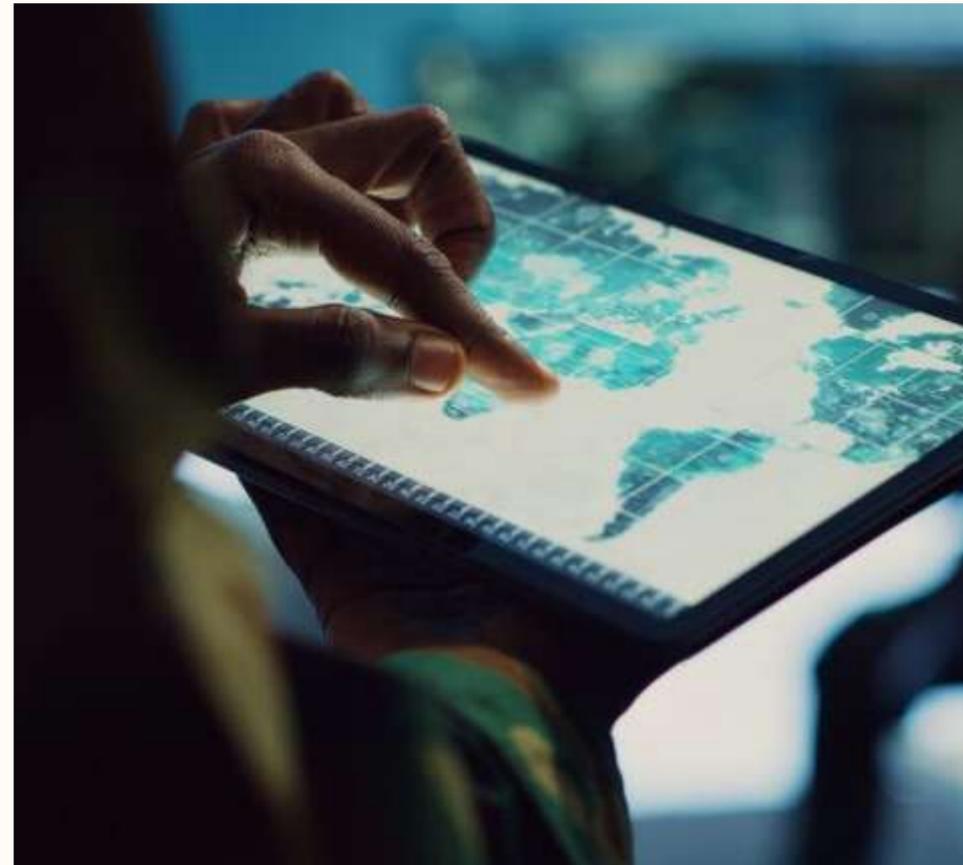
EU Forest Roadmap  
Rural Resilience  
Multi-level governance

## **INDUSTRY & DIGITALISATION**

AI · HPC · EO  
Data Spaces & Interoperability  
Public-Private Collaboration

## **LIVING LABS & PILOTS**

EU-funded case studies  
Restoration & resilience  
Replication pathways



**DAY 2**

# **STRUCTURED CLUSTERING & SYNERGY DESIGN**



## **Thematic Sessions**

Digital Twins & Climate Services  
Agri/Forestry Data & Operations



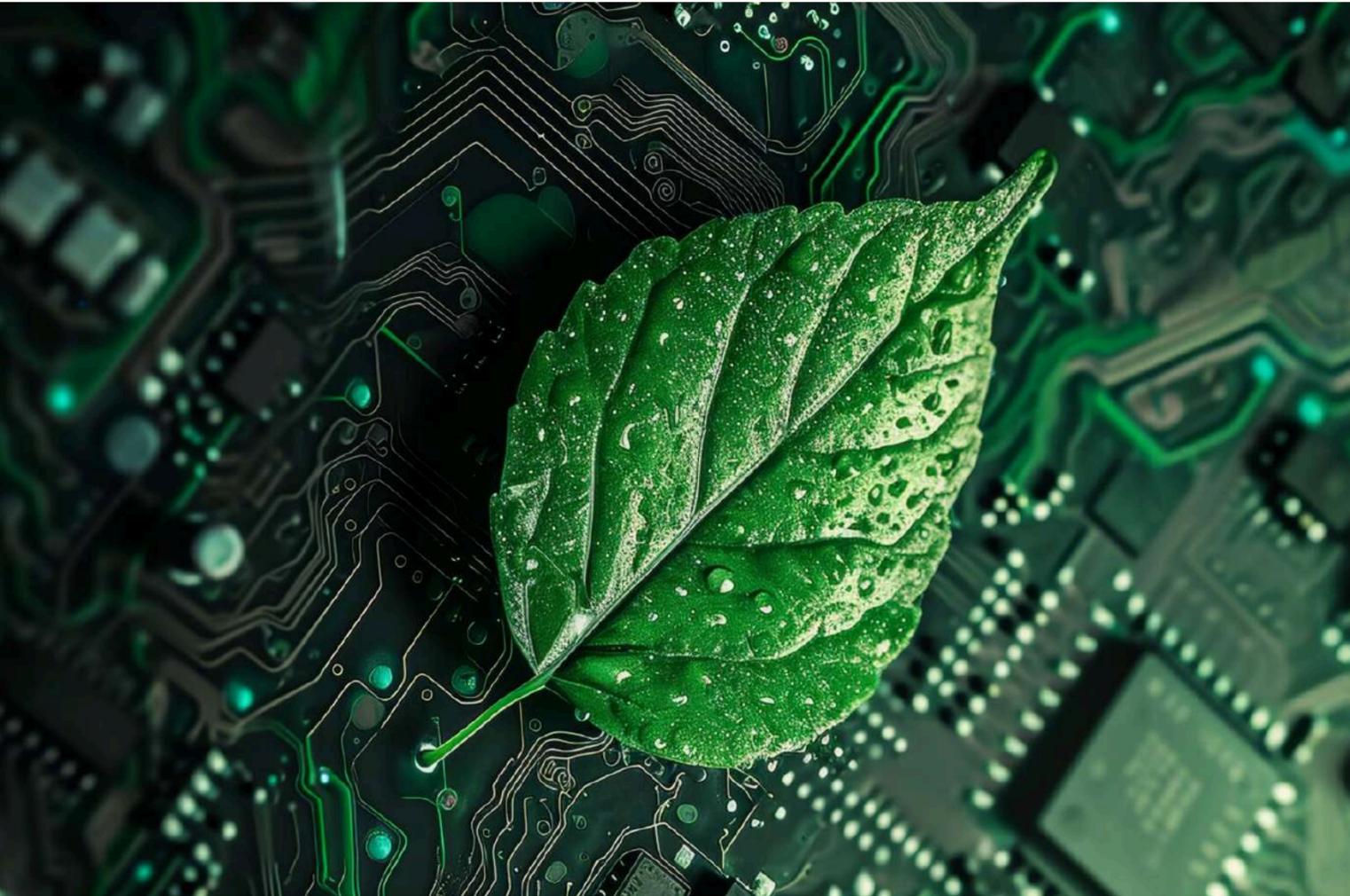
## **Poster Exhibition & Demo Area**

EU projects showcasing results  
One-to-one exchanges  
Additional synergy mapping



## **Plenary Roundtables**

Consolidation of priorities  
Definition of next steps  
Clustering roadmap



**DAY 3**

# **PILOT SITE VISIT – ARAGÓN REGION**

Real-world forest and climate resilience pilots aligned with EU climate and forest policies.

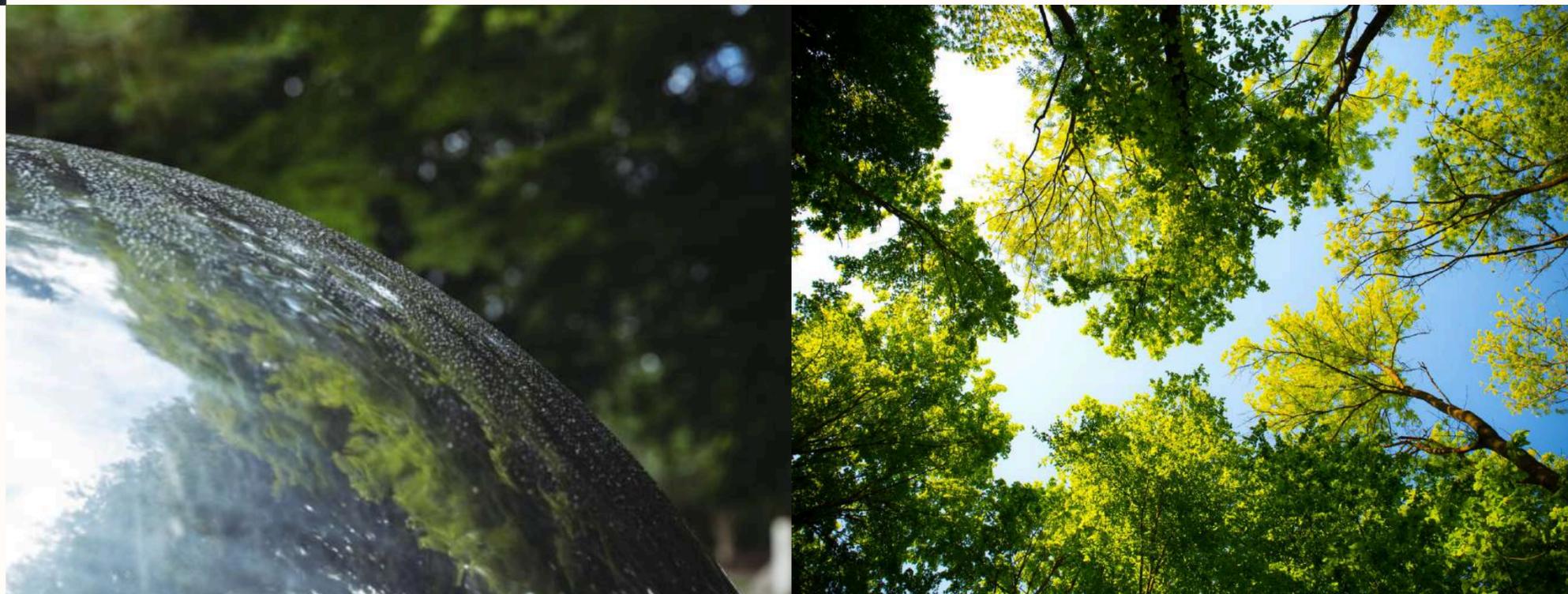


# JOIN THE EUROPEAN CLIMATE DIGITALISATION ECOSYSTEM

 **Venue**

ITA – Instituto Tecnológico de Aragón  
Zaragoza, Spain  
6–7 May | 09:00–17:00

(8 May – Optional Pilot Visit in Aragón  
Region)



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## **FOCAL MAKES CLIMATE DATA ACTIONABLE FOR DECISION-MAKERS**

By integrating AI, High-Performance Computing and Earth Observation, the project develops tailored climate projections to simplify decision-making.



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Through clustering related initiatives, FOCAL advances climate modelling and delivers user-friendly tools at local, national and EU levels.

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## Project Coordinator



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