



FINAL CONFERENCE OF THE TSI PROJECT "DEVELOPING GREEN BUDGETING IN LOMBARDY, BADEN- WÜRTTEMBERG AND GREECE"

MAY 20th, 2026

MILAN - Nucleo 1 Piazza Città di Lombardia, 39TH floor, Belvedere Hall

PROGRAMME

9:00 – Welcome and registration of participants

Moderators: Barbara Frascetta, Middle Manager for EU Policies and International Environmental Networks and Juliane Nier, Conference Moderator and Co-Founder at Edge Effects

9:30 – Institutional greetings – Opening of the Conference

- Giorgio Maione, Minister for Environment and Climate, Lombardy Region

9:45 – Opening remarks and Introduction to the work « Green Budgeting: a strategy for Lombardy and other European regions »

- Judit Rózsa, Director of the Technical Support Instrument in SG REFORM, European Commission - video message.
- Marilou Fiorentino, Project manager, Transparency, Management and Accountability Unit, Governance Department, Expertise France

10:00 - Green Budgeting in Lombardy, Baden-Württemberg and Greece: Results, Achievements & future perspectives, Moderated by Daniela Preite, Affiliate Professor of Financial Accounting, SDA Bocconi School of Management and University of Milan

Opening from governments leading on Green Budgeting: Benefits and opportunities for governments (20 mins)

- Pier Attilio Superti, Central Director of Planning and External Relations, Lombardy Region
- Lars Tanzmann, Head of Modernisation Unit, Ministry of Finance, Baden-Württemberg
- Alexandra Avgoustatou, Head of Unit C, Directorate for the Evaluation of General Government Actions, Ministry of Economy and Finance, Greece

Technical support delivered - Development of an operational tagging methodology for the alignment of public spending with climate and environmental commitments (35-40 mins)

- Silvia Rota, Associate Professor of Practice in Government, Health and Not for Profit, SDA Bocconi School of Management and University of Milan
- Tom McKenzie, Research Consultant, FiFo Institute for Public Economics at the University of Cologne
- Jacqueline Cottrell, Environmental and Fiscal Policy Expert, Expertise France



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Insights from governments on integrating technical support with political agendas (30 mins)

- Pier Attilio Superti, Central Director of Planning and External Relations, Lombardy Region
- Manuela Giaretta, Manager General Budget and Finance, Lombardy Region
- Roberto Laffi, Manager General Environment and Climate, Lombardy Region
- Lars Tanzmann, Head of Modernisation Unit, Ministry of Finance, Baden-Württemberg
- Alexandra Avgoustatou, Head of Unit C, Directorate for the Evaluation of General Government Actions, Ministry of Economy and Finance, Greece

11:30: Coffee break

11:45 – International round table - European experiences of Green Budgeting and AI and other innovative approaches, Moderated by Juliane Nier

- Johanna Bärnreuther, Economic and Policy Analyst, DG ECFIN
- Francesca Casalini, Public Finance and Green Budgeting Expert, SDA Bocconi School of Management
- Sania Matulic, Green budgeting Expert, French Budget Directorate
- Adrienne Moreau, Deputy Head of Unit, Green Budgeting, French Budget Directorate
- Antonia Graf, Climate and Public Financial Management Expert, Expertise France

12:55: Official group photo

13:00: Lunch & Networking

14:00 - Discussion panel - Green Budgeting: the role and needs of regions, Moderated by Barbara Fraschetta and Juliane Nier

- Matteo Luigi Bianchi, Vice- President of European Committee of the Regions
- Laura Cavallo, Director General for European Affairs Presidency, Italian Council of Ministers
- Paolo Fossati, Territory Area Manager, Interregional Centre for Studies and Documentation of the Conference of the Regions-CINSEDO
- Patrizia Bianconi, Sustainability and Climate Change Senior Consultant, Emilia-Romagna Region
- Paola Ferrario, Legal and Administrative Activities Manager and NRRP 1000 experts, Directorate for Environment, Energy and Planning, Piedmont Region
- Carlos Castillo, Green Budgeting Expert, Ihobe, Basque Country

15:30 – Green Budgeting and Green Bonds - How to attract funding from a green perspective, starting from Green Budgeting, Moderated by Antonia Graf

- Paolo Zaggia, Director for Institutional Relations, Finlombarda
- Jérôme Besset, Vice-Director of Risk Management all Agence France Locale – AFL

16:15 – Close and thank you

- Sabrina Ferraina, Policy Officer, SG REFORM, European Commission
- Marco Alparone, Vice-President and Minister for Budget and Finance, Lombardy Region

16:30 – Networking Cocktail Reception

18:30 – Closing of the Conference Day *his Project is funded by the European Union via the Technical Support Instrument and implemented by Expertise France in cooperation with the European Commission.*