

# SPARC General Meeting, 9-11<sup>th</sup> of June 2026

## Rethymno, Crete

### Overarching objectives of the GM

1. Being together – improving cohesion – allowing in-person contacts and discussions, also important for our ambassadors
2. Overview of the results and current work
3. Speeding up and giving timeline for the SPARC project tasks – Project Management
4. Demonstration of practices – exchanging ideas and protocols

### Agenda

DAY 1 – Tuesday, 9 June 2026		
9h00–9h30	1. Welcome, Objective Setting and Icebreaker	WP6
	Kreavet (Johannes) & ILVO (Leen)	
9h30-10h00	2. Welcome words Greek team - Mediterranean Agrofood Competence Center (MACC) Virtual reality video-making company (farming system in the island)	
10h00–10h30	3. Basket of Options and Chatbot: Update	WP2
	ELGO, QUB, UNINA + introduction interactive session (ILVO)	
10h30-11h00	4. Interactive session: Reflecting on the use of the BoO, Chatbot and other available tools	WP1+WP2
	ILVO facilitates this interactive session	
11h00-11h20	Coffee break	
11h20-12h00	5. WP3 – overview, status of Task 3.1 and 3.2	WP3
	UGent (Edwin) and CSIC (Maria)	
12h00–12h45	6. WP3 – Task 3.3 - ADKAR and stimulating measures	WP3
	MRI (Dave and Agata)	
12h45-14h00	Lunch + group picture	
14h00-15h30	7. Interactive Session: SWC and policy	WP1 + WP5
	Who: ZLTO facilitates Why: Objectives of the session: Looking at SWC from different points of view (Policy, Practice (farmer, vet/advisor), Research (research institute, pharmaceutical company)) to compile drivers and barriers in SWC adoption, success stories (strenghts), CDE --> leading into policy recommendations	
15h30–15h50	Coffee break	
16h00-17h00	8. Technical evaluation of SWC protocols, pilot farms: initial results and development of scenario analysis	WP3, T3.4
	Kreavet (Tong) + partners with advanced datasets in a cattle, sheep and goat scenario	

17h00	End of GM day 1
17h00–18.30	Free time
18h30 - ...	Social program (city tour) + dinner

<b>DAY 2 – Wednesday, 10 June 2026</b>		
8h30-9h00	Coffee and a chat	
9h00–9h30	1. KEP, Practice Abstracts, WebGIS UNINA + AHI	WP4
	2. Communication, Dissemination, Exploitation: State of Play ZLTO, CIIRPO, ELGO	WP5
10h00-11h00	3. Working session: Co-compiling CDE plan for 2026 CIIRPO -ZLTO	WP5
	11h00-11h20	Coffee break
11h20 – 12h00	4. Working session continued: "Final" co-created CDE plan for 2026 CIIRPO, ZLTO, ELGO x ILVO	WP5 + WP6
	12h00-13h00	5. Parallel Sessions
A. KPI Monitoring for project partners		WP6
B. Informal exchange between the SPARC Ambassadors		WP1
13h00-14h15	Lunch	
14h15-15h30	6. Interactive session: Sustainability planning Kreavet + ILVO	WP1 +WP5
	15h30-15h50	Coffee break
15h50-16h30	7. Interactive session - continued: Sustainability planning – final compilation + reporting back ambassador-session	
16h30-17h00	8. Closing the GM Kreavet + ILVO	
17h00	End of GM day 2	
17h00-12h00	Free time	
20h00 - ...	Social dinner	

<b>DAY 3 – Thursday, 11 June 2026</b>	
On the last day of the meeting, participants will visit sheep/goat farms in a mountainous village (Psiloritis mountain), including a traditional Cretan lunch, offering a unique insight into local agricultural practices and rural life	
ELGO, BL	