

Regenerative Agriculture in Argentina and Regional Net-Zero Transitions





About Aapresid: The Argentine No-till Farmers Association (Aapresid) is a non-governmental and non-profit organization founded in 1989, in response to the high rate of soil erosion caused by conventional tillage, a paradigm of deterioration. Aapresid encompasses a network of farmers and agronomists who share a common interest in the conservation of soil, their main resource, through the adoption and promotion of an agricultural paradigm based on no-till farming, a paradigm of care, of regeneration, of continuous improvement. Aapresid currently has 1800 members producing and consulting on over 11 million hectares in Argentina, spread across 9 Argentine provinces. AAPRESID organizes and delivers on several activities: Annual National Congress (the 2023 edition received around five thousand attendees); development of field trials; promotion of field days and seminars for technological exchange between domestic and foreign farmers; and the promotion of joint research and extension activities with universities, agricultural research centers and private companies. AAPRESID has experience developing projects in association with and/or supported by international academic institutions, development banks and foreign government agencies. AAPRESID plays a fundamental role in the evolution and spread of regenerative agriculture and net-zero initiatives in Latin America. This is done in partnership with the Inter-American Institute for Cooperation on Agriculture (IICA), the Confederation of American Associations for Sustainable Agriculture (CAAPAS), government agencies and the private sector.

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