

Agriculture & Solar Energy for the Northeast: A Winning Partnership?

A Virtual Workshop Exploring Solar Power Opportunities for Farmers

Tuesday, November 28, 2023

9:00 am – 12:30 pm Eastern Standard Time

FREE to all, hosted by the University of Vermont (UVM) Entomology Research Laboratory



Vertical bifacial solar agrivoltaic system in Europe by Next2Sun.

Are you interested in bringing solar power to your farm but don't know where to begin?

Are you a renewable energy service provider who wants to help farmers adopt solar power?

This workshop will get you started on the path towards combining solar power with agricultural production. Learn about the current state of the art for agrivoltaics, regulations in the US and what options are available now or in the future.

- 9:00 Welcome & Opening Remarks
- 9:20 What is Agrivoltaics and the Pros and Cons of Vertical and Other Systems
Lucas Pédola, Next2Sun, Germany
- 10:00 Solar Power Opportunities and How to Make it Happen
Kyle Kiser, iSun Energy, Williston, VT
- 10:35 How to Get Started with Agrivoltaics: Local, State & Federal Regulations and Incentives
Alex DePillis, Agricultural Development Coordinator, VT Agency of Agriculture, Food & Markets
- 11:15 Vertical Solar Systems: UVM Research Initiative
Laura Eckman, PhD graduate student, UVM Entomology Research Laboratory
- 11:45 Discussion Period with a Panel of Experts and Stakeholders
Simon Lahr, Next2Sun; David Specca, Rutgers Univ.; Scott Case, Patchwork Farm, PA; Laura Eckman, UVM
Moderators: Bruce L. Parker & Margaret Skinner, UVM Entomology Research Laboratory
- 12:15 Closing Remarks

Registration Link: <https://na.eventscloud.com/ereg/index.php?eventid=775529&>

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