

Institutional Event Program

40th anniversary of IRTA

June 26, 2025

Petit Palau - Palau de la Música Catalana



10.30 h Reception and registration

11.00 h Beginning of the event

Clara Sànchez-Castro Bonfill, journalist and host of the event

11.10 h Welcome

By the Hon. Mr. Òscar Ordeig i Molist, Minister of Agriculture, Livestock, Fisheries and Food of the Catalan Government and President of IRTA

11.15 h Statement

By Ms. Begoña García Bernal, Secretary of State for Agriculture and Food of the Spanish Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food

11.20 h Beyond research: a story of purposeful growth

By Dr. Marta Hugas Maurici, member of IRTA's Scientific Advisory Board, independent expert and former scientific director of the European Food Safety Authority (EFSA)

11.40 h Science in first person: a dialogue on knowledge

Joan Girona Gomis

Dr. Agricultural Engineer, senior researcher at IRTA, attached to the Efficient Use of Water in Agriculture program and institutional delegate of IRTA in the Lleida and Pyrenees regions

Beatriz Jiménez Moya

Dr. in Animal Production, head of Experimental Studies, attached to the Animal Nutrition program at IRTA Mas Bové

12.00 h Exchange of experiences: success stories to accompany and transform the sector

Grup Viñas

Mr. Guillem de Planell i Asón, Quality Manager at Grup Viñas

FruitFutur

Mr. Ignasi Argilés Figuerola, Director of Production and Trade at NUFRI and President of FruitFutur

És Farina de Girona

Mr. Àngel Segarra i Ruiz, Manager of Girona Guild of Artisan Bakers

HIPRA

Ms. Marta Sitjà i Arnau, R&D Director of HIPRA's Animal Health Division

12.40 h From territory to global challenges, for a future of sustainable welfare

By Mr. Josep Usall i Rodié, general director at IRTA

12.50 h Closing speech

By the Rt. Hon. Mr. Salvador Illa i Roca, President of the Catalan Government

13.00 h Cocktail