



EIP-AGRI workshop

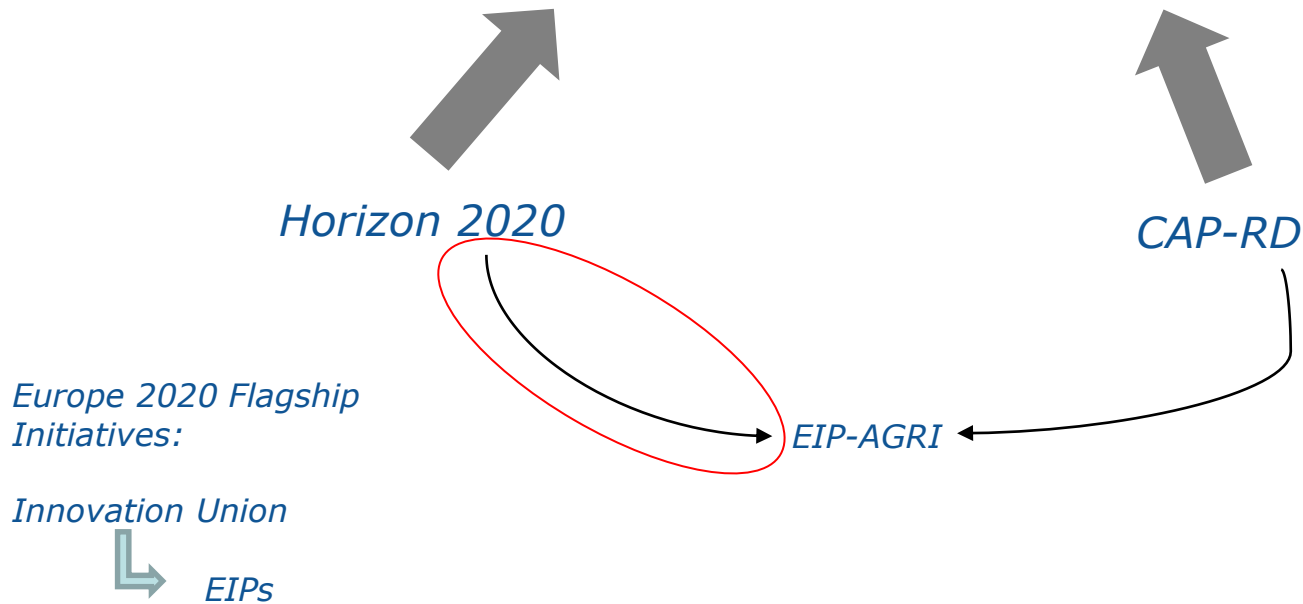
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General policy context

*Europe 2020 strategy for smart,
sustainable and inclusive growth*



Primary production and bioeconomy research under HORIZON 2020

• **Excellent science**

• ERC, Marie Curie, FET, Infrastructures,

• **Industrial leadership**

• LEIT, Risk Finance, SME

• **Societal challenges**



1. Health, demographic change and wellbeing

2. **Food security, sustainable agriculture and forestry, marine and maritime and inland water research and the bioeconomy** ca. 3,7 bn€

3. Secure, clean and efficient energy

4. Smart, green and integrated transport

5. Climate action, resource efficiency and raw materials

6. Inclusive, innovative and reflective societies

7. Secure societies



SPECIFIC PROGRAMME

2.1 Sustainable Agriculture and Forestry

2.1 Sustainable and Competitive agri-food sector for a safe and healthy diet

2.3 Unlocking the potential of aquatic living resources

2.4 Sustainable and competitive bio-based industries

2.5 Cross-cutting marine and maritime research

Strategic Programming:

WORK PROGRAMME
2014-2015
3 Calls

Focus area Sustainable Food Security (SFS)

Focus area Blue Growth (BG)

Innovative, Sustainable and Inclusive Bioeconomy (ISIB)

FA Waste, FA Water, FA Personalising Health

European Innovation Partnerships

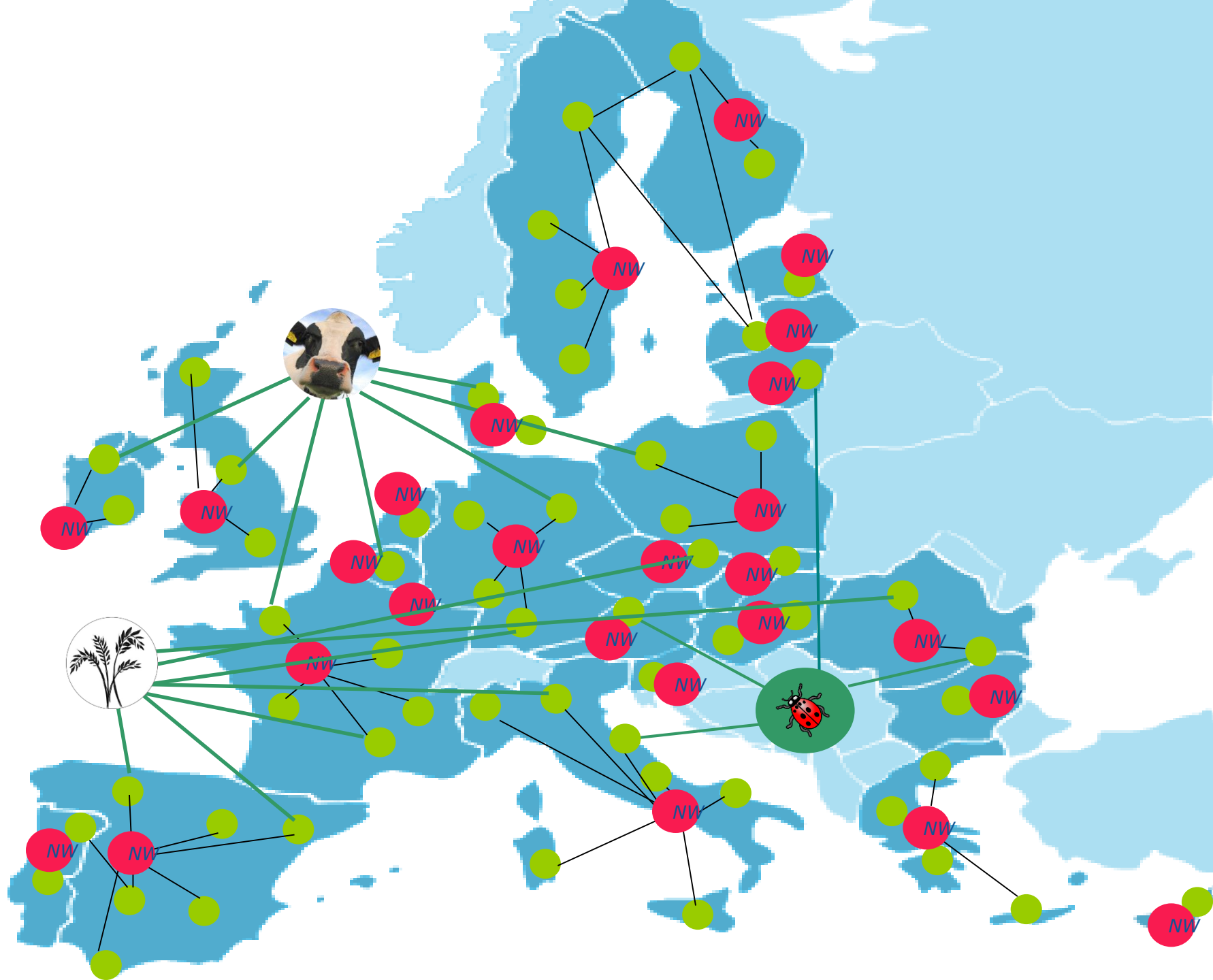
- The Europe 2020 **Flagship Initiative "Innovation Union"** specifies European Innovation Partnerships (EIP) as a new tool for fostering innovation through linking existing policies and instruments.
- The establishment of European Innovation Partnerships (EIPs) in different sectors aims to accelerate implementation of innovation policies.

The EIP-AGRI in short

- Agricultural Productivity and Sustainability (COM (2012)79)
- Overarching concept – funding in CAP-RD and H2020 Research funds, et al
- Based on **interactive innovation model** linking up of multiple actors for creation and diffusion of knowledge
- Key approach is a EU wide EIP network: communication, partnering, dissemination, diffusion of ideas, knowledge flows and collecting practice needs

http://ec.europa.eu/agriculture/eip/documents/eip-opportunities_en.htm#eip-origins-of-eip-agri

EU wide EIP network linking R & I actors and practitioners



Network Function of the EIP

- **Collect** information (research and innovation projects etc.) and best innovation practices
- Effective **flow of information** (website, databases)
- **Give advice** on opportunities within policies (helpdesk function)
- Sharing knowledge on concrete practical work and **connect actors**
- Systematic **feedback** to the scientific community about practice needs (Art.12 H2020)

Focus groups

Focus groups zoom in on important topics:

(20 experts - typically: scientists, farmers, advisors)

Focus on practical knowledge in a particular field, and where to get that knowledge, organised in 4 strands:

1. Take stock of the state of the art of practice, listing problems and opportunities (list of best practices)
2. Take stock of the state of the art of research, summarizing possible solutions to the problems listed (incl. list of useful projects with the contacts)
3. Identify needs from practice for dissemination or further research
4. Propose priorities for innovative actions, e.g. list of ideas for future interactive OG projects

EIP funding possibilities

Rural Development Programmes:

- Setting up "operational groups" involving farmers, advisor, agribusiness, research, and NGOs
- Combining the setting up of operational groups with project funding (investment, knowledge transfer, advisory services)
- Supporting innovation brokering

European Union Research Policy (Horizon 2020)

- Research projects, including on-farm experiments to provide the knowledge base for innovative actions
- Interactive formats such as multi-actor projects and thematic networks