The European Innovation Partnership "Agricultural Productivity and Sustainability" or EIP-AGRI and the Service Point



EIP-AGRI

The EIP must **bridge the gap** between research and farming practice cussing on real existing issues and research needs from

focussing on real, existing issues and research needs from the 'field'

and

involve all innovative actors



EIP-AGRI Method

- It acts based on an "interactive innovation model":
 - Focus on forming partnerships
 - Uses bottom-up approaches
 - Links farmers, researchers, advisors, businesses, NGOs and other actors in a network —— The EIP Network



EIP-AGRI Service Point

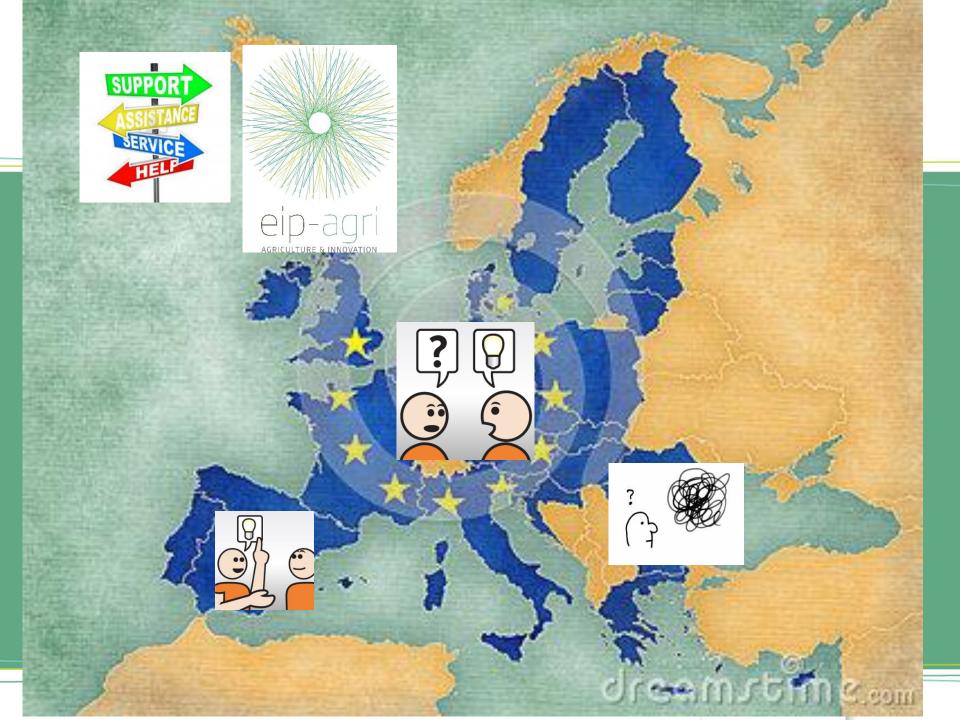
The EIP-AGRI Service Point acts as a mediator within the EIP Network, enhancing communication and cooperation between all innovation actors, including farmers, advisors, agribusiness, civil society, and researchers, working at EU, national and regional level.



EIP-AGRI Service Point

- Established in April 2013 by DG Agri
- Based in Brussels
- Multidisciplinary team





EIP-AGRI Service Point



EIP-AGRI Service Point services

Answering your questions

- Farmers
- Researchers
- Advisors
- Agro-business
- Farmers' organisations
- Evironmental groups

Events

- Workshops
- Seminars
- Conferences



Focus group concept

- A temporary group of selected experts
- Focusing on a specific subject
- The tangible output is focused on practical knowledge and where to get that knowledge as well as ideas for operational group projects
- Charter on the way of working



Focus groups objectives

- to take stock of the state of the art of practice
- to take stock of the state of the art of research
- to identify needs from practice and propose directions for further research
- to propose priorities for innovative actions by suggesting potential practical operational groups or other project formats to test solutions and opportunities, including ways to disseminate the practical knowledge gathered



Focus groups topics

• 3 focus groups started

- Yields in organic farming
- Protein crops
- Reduction of antibiotic use in pig farms

• 3 focus groups in preparation

- Cooperation models in genetic resources
- Organic matter in Mediterranean soils
- IPM in Brassica

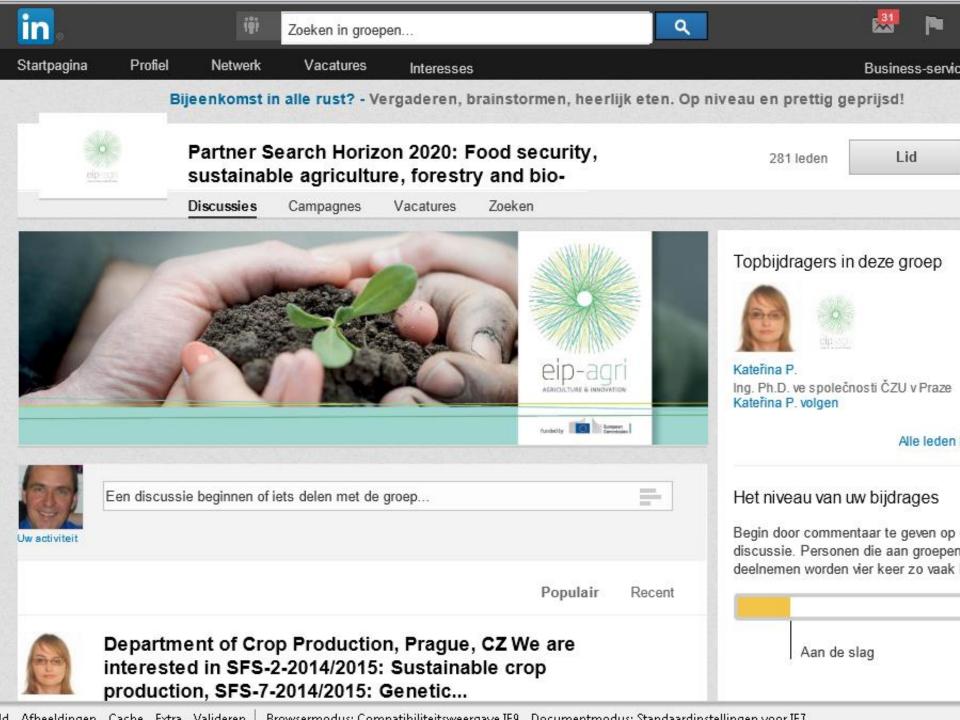


Website and database

Transformation into a new interactive platform

- Search for experts
- Funding opportunities
- Collecting research needs from practice
- Information on innovation actions and research projects
- Finding partners for your project
 - LinkedIn group





5 Easy to use E-forms

- Research projects
- Innovation actions and initiatives
- Research need from practice
- Online sources of information
- Share your information on operational groups



Monthly newsletters

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Topics

- Upcoming events
- Results from events
- Innovative projects
- Actual news
- Publications and fact sheets (horizon 2020, operational groups, Innovation Support services, ...)



Thank you for your attention!

