

'Enabling farmers for the Digital Age: The Role of AKIS'

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EIP-AGRI Workshop 'Enabling farmers for the digital age: the role of AKIS Agenda day 2: 27 April 2018

- 9:00 9:20 Welcome to Day 2
 Outcomes Day 1 and introduction to Day 2 agenda
- 9:20 10:30 Enabling farmers to the digital era: tools and practices Carousel of inspiring examples
- 10.15 10.30 Mini Quiz about Farmers' Information Needs
- 10:30 11:00 Coffee break
- 11:00 12:15 Understanding and accessing digitisation opportunities: what farmers need
 - EKONmod milk Miroslav Záhradník and Josef Kanoš (Slovak Republic)
 - Breakout session 3
- 12:15 12:45 Results of working groups and general reflection
- 12:45 13:00 Closing of the workshop
- 13:00 14:00 Light lunch and goodbye





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Understanding and accessing digitisation opportunities: what farmers needs



"Bringing tailored decision support tools for dairy farm management to remove bottlenecks to the delivery of practice-oriented research to end-users"



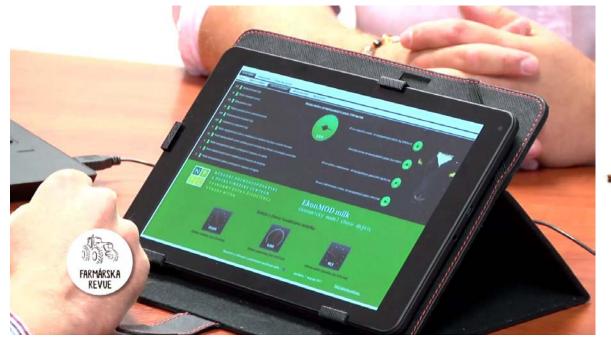


EkonMOD milk platform continuously integrates applications developed in the sphere of dairy cow husbandry into one platform under the title



Interactive model of a dairy farm







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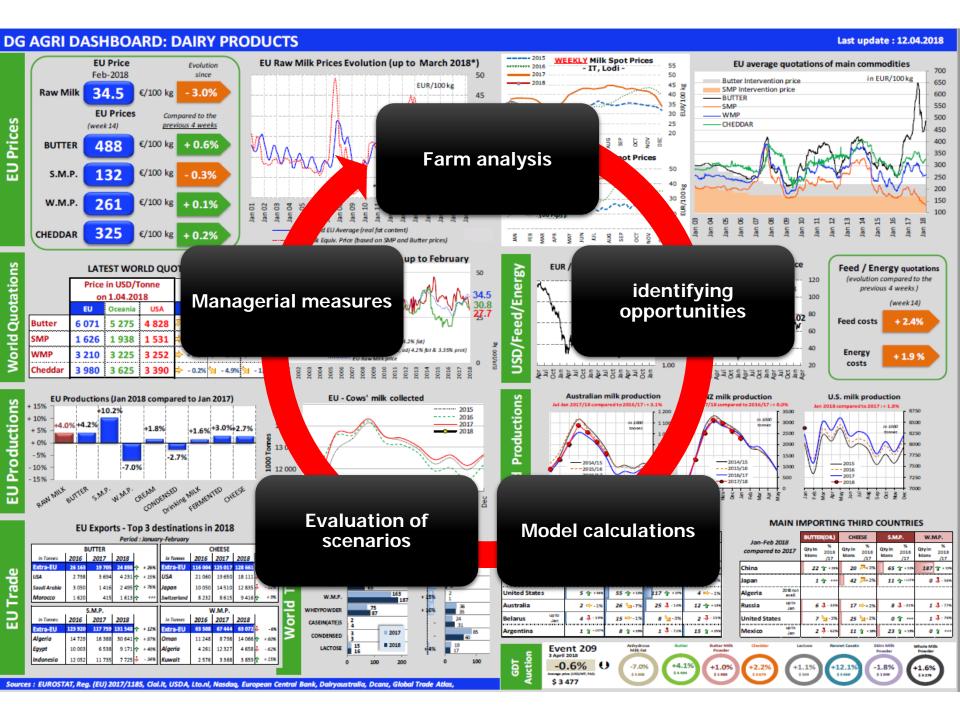
Dairy production systems in Slovakia

indicator	Intensive	Extensive	Semi-intensive	
Cost per feeding day	>7 €	<4 €	5-6 €	
Herd size (dairy cows)	>200	1-100	<200	
Geographical location	Southern low lands	Mountainous and foothill areas	Uplands and foothills	
Feeding management	All-year round silage based TMR	Dairy cows and heifer on seasonal pastures with minimum concentrate feed	Heifer on seasonal pastures (for dairy cows additional only)	
Management target	20 kg lifetime daily yield	Long productive life-span, healthy cows, with good locomotion	Various combinations	
Technology level	High level of innovation	Low cost technology	Various combinations	
Prevailing breed	Holstein	Pinzgau, Simmental-Fleckvieh	Various cross-breds	
Milk sale - processing	Industry	Own processing, direct sale	Various combinations	

Source: Udržateľné systémy chov dojníc na Slovensku (2016)

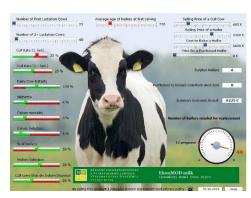
AKIS – Agricultural Knowledge and Innovation Systems in Slovakia

Kind of Infrastructure	Names	Places	Sector	Holder	Users	Funders
Digital Infrastructure	www.agroporadens tvo.sk	No	All	Agroinstitut Nitra and Institute for Forestry Extension and Education	Agricultural extension and food production	Agroinstitut Nitra and Institute for Forestry Extension and Education
Working places	Info-terminals	All regions and some districts	All	Frame of Central Agricultural Advisory System.	All	Agroinstitut Nitra and Institute for Forestry Extension and Education
Dialogs	Advisory forum	during the exhibitions, conferences, field days	All	Agroinstitut Nitra and Institute for Forestry Extension and Education	All	Agroinstitut Nitra and Institute for Forestry Extension and Education
Meetings		All over Slovakia	All	Research institutions and agri institutions agencies	All – farmers, clients	Research institutions and agri institutions agencies
Network	National Rural Network (NRN)	8 regional secretariats	All	partially outsourced and managed by the Agency for Rural Development	All	Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development of the Slovak Republic



Rationale of the tool:

- better understand the dynamics of the herd structure
- improve economically sensible decision-making abilities
- including farm-focused calculator for GHG emissions





This approach could contribute to the successful deployment of the existing scientific and practical knowledge

Background information:

- detailed and long run cooperation with dairy farms
- Development is being debated with farmers continuously
- Sensitivity analysis belongs to the basics of any farm





Making this process more clear and easy to tailor

The application **EkonMOD milk tool** is used to evaluate the economic consequences of different on-farm strategies

Why?

Market volatility means that 'optimal decisions' for an individual dairy farm are constantly changing. Even the on-farm conditions change rapidly.

To ensure productivity, dairy farmers need to be constantly aware of useful adjustments which can be made.



The NPPC Teaming activity resulted in developing the parallel adaptation for pig farms - **EkonMOD pig** and the first modifications for **beef cattle and**sheep breeders























EkonMOD milk Ekonomický model chovu dojníc

How?



Scientific background based on cooperation with 30 dairy farms



Regular meetings to update the development team on any changes







Well planned and scheduled field trips as an irreplaceable part of deployment



Interactive workshops to confront new ideas and to ensure the improvement



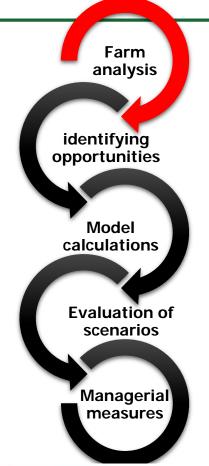


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Eevaluation of production and reproduction indicators – current state

What we could improve and how?

Setting a financial framework

Economic impact in future perspective for each option available

Taking action!

Replicable procedure









The concept of restoration of mountain agro-ecosystems by low emission system intelligent dairy farming technology



to design and create a model dairy farm using the state-of-the-art technological equipment and pasture

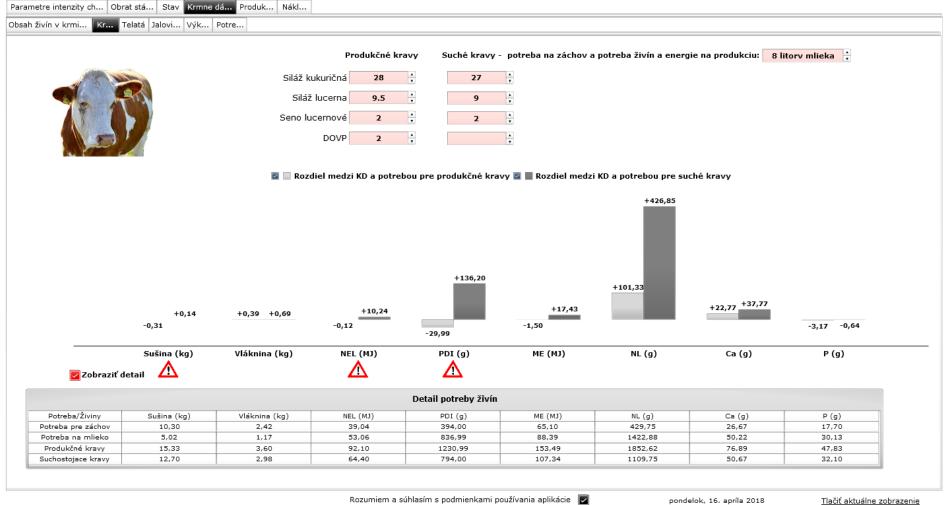


to manage the transition to robotic milking and feeding and to evaluate the possible combinations of dairy cows grazing pastures with robotic milking systems











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