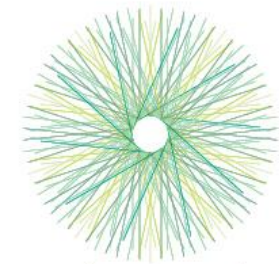


EIP-AGRI Workshop Small is smart

29-30 October 2019– Bucharest, Romania



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DAY 1 - TUESDAY 29 OCTOBER

09:00 - 10:15

Welcoming participants and setting the scene

- Welcome to Bucharest and short introduction about small farms innovation in Romania by the Romanian Ministry of Agriculture, [Dana Reberga](#), Deputy General Director of the [MoA](#)
- Opening words from the European Commission, [Inge Van Oost](#), DG AGRI
- Ice-breaker
- Presentations
 - Small smart farms: how can small farms benefit from digital innovations in agriculture? [Leanne Townsend](#), James Hutton Institute, UK
 - An overview of the CUMA: farm machinery cooperatives, [Stephane Diard](#), FN CUMA, France
 - Direct selling: an instrument to improve profitability in small-scale farming, [Bavo Verwilt](#), Organic farmer, Belgium
 - Combining innovation with tradition for economic viability of Romania's small-scale farms, [Razvan Popa](#), Adept Foundation, Romania
 - Small-scale Bioeconomy Opportunities for European Farmers, [James Gaffey](#), Biorefinery glass project, Ireland

10:15 - 11:00

Breakout session: **What steps could a small farmer take to introduce innovation or good practices?**

11:00 - 11:30

Coffee break

11:30 - 13:00

Continuation of breakout session: **What steps could a small farmer take to introduce innovation or good practices?**

13:00 - 13:50

Lunch

14:00 - 18:30

Field trip to the Romanian Horticultural Institute



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DAY 2 – WEDNESDAY 30 OCTOBER

08:30 - 09:00 **Registration**

09:00 - 09:45 A **welcome back** to participants

Energiser exercise

What is the EIP-AGRI? The importance of knowledge exchange (and the local AKIS in general) in successful EIP-AGRI implementation, **Inge Van Oost, DG AGRI**

An **introduction** to the rest of the day

09:45 - 10:45 Breakout session: **How can best practice sharing, collaboration, digitalisation and knowledge transfer best support innovation in small farms?**

- Which types of collaboration support small farmers to innovate and how?
- How can small farmers be encouraged and supported to utilise digitalisation as a means to innovate?
- Which methods of knowledge sharing work best for small farmers and how can these methods support innovation?

10:45 - 11:15 **Coffee break**

11:15 - 12:30 Breakout session: **How could the innovation support environment for small farmers be improved at a regional, national and European level?**

- What type of advisory services best support small farmers?
- What type of innovation support would help best?
- How can networking help small farmers?
- What areas of research are important for small farmers?

12:30 - 13:30 **Bringing participants together** and reflect on the workshop's outcomes

13:30 - 14:30 **Farewell & lunch**



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Supporting small and medium farms in Romania through 2014-2020 NRDP

Bucharest 2019





Farm structure in Romania - overview



3.4 mil farms
32.7% of total no. of farms in EU 28

Average farm size 3.7 ha
4.5 times smaller than EU 28

3.14 mil farms under 5 Ha

Average economic size 3537 EUR SO
10 times smaller than EU 28





Supporting small and medium farms trough NRDP 2014-2020

Support for development of small farms



Set - up an SME
Agricultural profile

Register the farm
(4000 -11.999 SO)
in PIAA / animal register
with minimum 24 months
before submission

▪ No upper age
limit

251 mil EUR
12000 small
farms projects
selected
15000 expected

Submit a business plan at
paying agency

Advisory
services

Min requirements of BP

- Market it's production -
min 20% of the amount of
the first payment





Supporting small and medium farms trough NRDP 2014-2020

Setting – up of young farmers



Set - up an SME
Agricultural profile - it should be registered with maximum 24 month before submission

Register the farm
(12,000 -50,000 SO) in PIAA / animal register

- Age 40
- First time manager of a farm

436 mil EUR
Over 10000 young farmers receiving support

Submit a business plan at paying agency

Advisory services

Min requirements of BP

- Market it's production - min 20% of the amount of the first payment
- professional agricultural knowledge





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Sub-measures 4.1/4.1a. *“Investments in Agricultural Holdings, including fruit growing sector”*



Public support up to 2,000,000 EUR

For young farmers the intensity support may be increased with 20 pp. (50%+20%)

690 projects (receiving top-up) selected

Extra selection points for small and medium farms (4.1a/4.1)

Higher education with a bachelor degree

Higher education without a bachelor degree

College degree

Vocational training





Sub-measures 9.1/9.1a/16.4/16.4a – Producer groups and Cooperation

Support for setting up of producer groups (9.1/9.1a)



Prioritization of producer groups that have more than 5 members

Prioritization of producer groups that have farms with an economic size in the interval 1000-100000 euro SO

Prioritization of producer groups that are involved in an EIP projects

Cooperation for setting up short supply chains and local markets (16.4/16.4a)



Prioritization of cooperation projects that involve more than 3 partners

Prioritization of cooperation projects that will finalize the project by forming a cooperative/producer group





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