

***EIP-AGRI Support Facility
Annual Work Programme / Year 2***

Pacôme Elouna Eyenga

Support Facility for Innovation & Knowledge exchange | EIP-AGRI

SUBGROUP ON INNOVATION AND KNOWLEDGE EXCHANGE

1st meeting

20 October 2022



**Funded by
the European Union**

Priority 1: EIP-AGRI implementation and European CAP Network

□ Priority 1.1. Setting up the European CAP Network.

- Actively preparing and facilitating the **launch event for the European CAP Network in collaboration with the 3 other support facilities.**
- **Cooperating with other support facilities to ensure the good coordination of activities within the European CAP Network and other networking activities at EU level.**
- Providing content for and facilitating the meetings of the EU CAP Network's governance bodies, and specifically the **meetings and work of the Sub-group on Innovation and Knowledge Exchange, the Steering Group and the Assembly.**

□ Priority 1.2. Consolidating the EIP-AGRI implementation within the European CAP Network.

- The EIP-AGRI SF will organise **cross-visits to provide cross-border exchange possibilities between Operational Groups.**
- In addition, the EIP-AGRI SF will continue supporting counterparts in MSs with less experience in the EIP-AGRI implementation.



Funded by
the European Union



Priority 2: Bridging the Common Agricultural Policy (CAP) and the EU Agricultural Research & Innovation strategic approach (Horizon Europe).

This work is aligned with the nine specific objectives (SO) of the new CAP clustered by the first four priority areas for research and innovation. The Agricultural Knowledge and Innovation System (AKIS) as cross-cutting objective of the new CAP is separately covered under the Priority 3 below.

5 Priority areas for Research and Innovation / (9 -1) + 1 specific objectives (SO) of the new CAP.

Priority 1: Encouraging efficient resource management / SO1, SO4, SO5.

Priority 2: Making animals and plants healthier / SO9, SO6.

Priority 3: Adopting ecological approaches from farm to landscape levels / SO4, SO6.

Priority 4: Opening new avenues for rural growth / SO2, SO4, SO7, SO8.

Priority 5: Enhancing the human and social capital in rural areas / AKIS



Funded by
the European Union



Priority 2: Bridging the Common Agricultural Policy (CAP) and the EU Agricultural Research & Innovation strategic approach (Horizon Europe)

□ Priority 2.1: Encouraging efficient resource management (SO1, SO4, SO5).

- Contributing to **support viable farm income and resilience across the EU territory and enhance food security (SO1)**:
 - A **workshop on food security through sustainable, diverse and resilient farming systems (Food security workshop)**.
 - A **seminar on smart ways to maintain competitiveness while reducing (external) inputs (Energy and fertilisers crisis)**.
- Contributing to **foster sustainable development and efficient management of natural resources (SO4, SO5)**
 - A **Focus Group (FG 49) on recovery of abandoned agricultural lands**. This FG aims to foster and promote innovative and sustainable maintenance and restoration strategies and showcase best management practices for reclaiming abandoned agricultural land.

□ Priority 2.2: Making animals and plants healthier (SO9, SO6).

- Contributing to **improve the response of EU agriculture to societal demands on food and health, including safe, nutritious and sustainable food, as well as animal welfare (SO9)**:
 - A **workshop on good and best practices on animal welfare**.
 - A **workshop on sustainable use of pesticides in arable crops**. This networking activity will also contribute to the protection of biodiversity and preservation of habitats and landscape (SO6) and to support the objectives of the Directive on Sustainable Use of Pesticides



Funded by
the European Union



Priority 2: Bridging the Common Agricultural Policy (CAP) and the EU Agricultural Research & Innovation strategic approach (Horizon Europe)

□ Priority 2.3: Adopting ecological approaches from farm to landscape levels (SO4, SO6).

- Supporting the **protection of biodiversity, enhancing ecosystem services and preserving habitats and landscape (SO6)**:
 - A **Focus Group (FG47)** on enhancing the biodiversity on the farmland through high-diversity landscape features. It will build on the outcomes of the Thematic Working Group (TWG) on landscape features and biodiversity organised by the Support Facility for the implementation of CAP Strategic Plans of the European CAP Network in the second half of 2022.

□ Priority 2.4: Opening new avenues for rural growth (SO2, SO4, SO7, SO8).

- Contributing to attract young farmers and facilitate business development in rural areas (SO7) and to promote employment growth, social inclusion and local development in rural areas, including bioeconomy and sustainable forestry (SO8), in addition to celebrate the European Year of Youth 2022 as a recognition of the importance of young people's wellbeing, development, engagement and participation in society.
 - A **Workshop on Young Entrepreneurs – Engines of Innovation in Rural Areas**
- Contributing to promote employment growth, social inclusion and local development in rural areas, including bioeconomy and sustainable forestry (SO8):
 - A **Focus Group (FG48)**. on social farming and innovations



Funded by
the European Union



Priority 3: Enhancing the human and social capital and boosting knowledge and innovation systems.

- ❑ Priority 3.1: Supporting a well-functioning AKIS and fostering a thriving agricultural and forestry innovation ecosystem including the uptake of digitalisation.
 - A **seminar dedicated to advisory services and focusing on capacity building within this context of Article 15 - Farm advisory services and Article 114 – Modernisation.**
 - A **Stand-alone brokerage event** to prepare and response to **the Horizon Europe Call for Advisory networks.**
 - **Supporting the uptake of digitalisation - digital transition - in agriculture, forestry and rural areas**, the current EIP-AGRI website section on on digitalisation in agriculture, forestry and rural areas will be fed and animated with good and innovative practices, as long as it will be operational.

- ❑ Priority 3.2: Fostering and strengthening thematic, transnational and cross-border networking of OGs and Horizon Multi-Actor Projects (MAPs) including relevant innovative projects funded under other European programmes for a stronger involvement in the knowledge exchange and knowledge building process.
 - The **Project portfolio analysis** to identify possible synergies and complementarities, identify areas for collaboration opportunities between projects, inform about networking and brokerage activities among relevant projects, produce content for further communication and dissemination.
 - Support transnational cooperation projects between OGs, as well as providing support for starting up cross-border OGs:
 - **Cross-visits between OG projects**
 - As integral part of workshops and seminars, **brokerage activities with relevant OGs and innovative projects**

An effective communication strongly supports these priority areas



Funded by
the European Union



Support Facility for Innovation & Knowledge Exchange | EIP-AGRI

Indicative calendar of networking activities (July 2022-June 2023)

July

August

September

October

November

December

EU Rural Networks' Assembly
05/10/2022

EU CAPNET launch
06/10/2022

1st Subgroup on Innovation & Knowledge Exchange
20/10/2022

European CAP Network Steering Group (TBC)

Team week 1
03-07/10/2022

Workshop Young Innovative Entrepreneurs
30/11 - 01/12/2022

Seminar Smart circular farming to address high energy and fertiliser prices
06-07/12/2022

2022



Funded by
the European Union



Support Facility for Innovation & Knowledge Exchange | EIP-AGRI

Indicative calendar of networking activities (July 2022-June 2023)

January

1st meeting
Focus Group 48
Social farming & innovations
25-26/01/2023

1st meeting
Focus Group 49
Recovery of abandoned agricultural lands
24-25/01/2023

Stand-alone brokerage activity on advisory networks

February

1st meeting
Focus Group 47
Biodiversity on farmlands
01-02/02/2023

Ad-hoc expert group meetings (TBC)

2nd Subgroup on Innovation & Knowledge Exchange

European CAP Network Steering Group (TBC)

March

Workshop Food Security

April

2nd meetings
Focus Groups 47, 48 and 49

Workshop Sustainable use of pesticides

Cross-visits

May

Workshop animal welfare

European CAP Network Steering Group (TBC)

June

Seminar AKIS
14-15/06/2023

3rd Subgroup on Innovation & Knowledge Exchange

2023



Funded by
the European Union



Thank you for your attention!

Pacôme Elouna Eyenga

Support Facility for Innovation & Knowledge exchange | EIP-AGRI

EIP-AGRI Support Facility

Koning Albert II-laan 15

1210 Brussel, Belgium

innovation-knowledge@eucapnetwork.eu | +32 2 543 72 81

SUBGROUP ON INNOVATION AND KNOWLEDGE EXCHANGE

1st meeting

20 October 2022



**Funded by
the European Union**

#SoIKE