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EIP-AGRI focus group: Protecting agricultural soils from contamination 2nd meeting

19-20 November 2019, Santarém Portugal

Preamble

Soil contamination can originate from different sources both natural and anthropogenic. The anthropogenic sources of contamination include mining and industrial activities as well as agricultural practice. Therefore, better management of agricultural soils (waste management, optimal fertilisation and pest management) could significantly improve soil quality and protect valuable soils from contamination. The Focus Group will look at the main soil pollutants and the best practices that would enable to minimise the harmful effects to agricultural soils as well as discuss the available technologies that help to restore the soils already suffering from pollutants. It will also look for possible barriers in using these technologies, new opportunities and identify knowledge gaps and the needs for further research.

The overarching QUESTION of the Focus Group is: How to protect agricultural soil from contamination?

In order to answer this, the Focus Group is expected to carry out the following tasks at this 2nd meeting:

- Identify remaining research needs from practice and propose possible directions for further research.
- Propose priorities for innovative actions by suggesting ideas for Operational Groups or other project formats to test solutions and opportunities and ways to exchange the practical knowledge gathered beyond the Focus Group.



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Day 1: Tuesday 19th November 2019

8:00	8:30	Meeting at the hotel lobby and transfer to the venue
08:30	8:40	Arriving to INIAV, welcoming words, scope and purpose of the meeting, expectations from the Focus Group (FG).
		Magdalena Mach (European Commission, DG AGRI),
		Liisa Kübarsepp (Task Manager, EIP-AGRI Service Point)
		Olga Moreira (INIAV)
8:40	8:50	Introduction to the meeting and FG workflow
		Liisa Kübarsepp (Task Manager, EIP-AGRI Service Point)
8:50	9:30	Presentation of the mini-papers
		(MP coordinators)
9:30	10:15	Open space for mini-papers I (1, 2, 4)
10:15	10:35	Coffee break
10:35	11:10	Open space for mini-papers II (3, 5)
11:10	11:40	Reporting back from the open space discussions
11:40	12:00	Linking the work of the Focus Group with EIP Operational Groups
		Magdalena Mach (European Commission, DG AGRI)
12:00	12:10	Brainstorming on OG ideas for tomorrow
12:10	12:15	Travel arrangements and 2 nd day agenda
12:15	13:15	Lunch
13:30	18:30	Fieldtrip to Quinta da Cholda
		https://www.quintadacholda.pt/
		http://sparkle-project.eu/precision-agriculture-quinta-da-cholda/
20:00	22:00	Networking dinner



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Day 2: Wednesday 20th November 2019

08:00	08:30	Meeting at the hotel lobby and transfer to the venue
08:30	8:45	Reflections from yesterday (Pandi Zdruli)
8:45	09:30	 Dissemination and follow up Next steps after the meeting How to keep the group active? Dissemination of the results
9:30	10:30	Meeting with the OG representatives from Portugal
10:30	10:45	Coffee break
10:45	11:45	Breakout session: Developing ideas for Operational Groups
11:45	12:15	Reporting ideas for Operational Groups and other innovative projects
12:15	12:30	Conclusions of the meeting (<i>Magdalena Mach, European Commission, DG AGRI</i>) <i>Pandi Zdruli (coordinating expert, EIP-AGRI Service Point)</i>
12:30	13:30	Lunch and departure