EIP-AGRI SeminarMoving EIP-AGRI implementation forward

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EIP-AGRI Seminar 'Moving EIP-AGRI implementation forward' Wednesday 10 May 2017 – Athens, Greece

Incentivising innovation – How to select the best OGs?

16:25 – 16:35 The Romanian approach

Liviu Popescu — Counsellor at the Romanian RDP Managing Authority, Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development

16:35 – 16:45 The Flemish experience

Els Lapage – Director of the Extension Service, Flemish RDP Managing Authority, Dpt of Agriculture and Fisheries of the Flemish Government

16:45 – 16:50 Introduction to the session Inge Van Oost, DG AGRI

16:50 – 18:00 3rd breakout session – "Selection process"

Questions for discussion:

- 1. What selection criteria help to choose the best proposals? How to cover farmer / foresters' needs and get the right mix of knowledge present in the project?
- 2. How to secure sufficient expertise for the selection process?

19:00 Networking dinner





EIP Implementation in Romania – our approach and practical information

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CONCEPT

- > Two measures in I
 - ➤ **16.1** support for the establishment and operation of operational groups of the EIP for agricultural productivity and sustainability

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- ➤ 16.2 support for pilot projects, and for the development of new products, practices, processes and technologies
- > Two steps implementation
 - > Step I Submission of the Expression of Interest Request
 - > Evaluation made by a joint internal Committee
 - > Step II Submission of the full project
 - Evaluation made by external evaluators & PA
 - > Global amount



STATE OF PLAY

- > Finalized implementation documents
 - Guide for step I of the measure
 - > Partnership agreement template
 - > Expression of Interest Request template
- > Final steps for the electronic submission system at PA level
- Final steps for launching the public procurement procedure for external evaluators for step II
- Launch of the call for step I estimated in August 2017



MAIN IMPLEMENTATION RULES

Beneficiaries

- Operational Groups (no legal registration required)
 - > Farmers, producer groups, cooperatives
 - > Research/innovation partners
 - > Agri-food partners
 - Other relevant partners

Eligible expenditure

- \triangleright **Step I** no eligible expenditure
- ➤ **Step II** operating expenses of GO, direct costs of the projects, including the dissemination of the results



MAIN IMPLEMENTATION RULES

- > Amounts and support rates
 - ➤ Maximum amount 500.000 euro
 - Support rate 100% from eligible expenditure, for operations specific to this measure
 - > Specific support rate for operations that fall under other measures



SELECTION PRINCIPLES AND CRITERIA FOR STEP I

- Priority Sector Principle in line with the National Competitiveness Strategy 2014-2020 and the 2014-2020 NRDP
 - > Development of products, techniques, processes for the production / processing of agricultural products
 - Evaluation and improvement of environmental quality
- The principle of respecting the priority themes and directions according to the National Strategy for Research and Innovation 2014-2020 and / or the Research and Development Strategy Medium- and long-term innovation in the agro-food sector 2014-2020-2030
 - Development of products, techniques, processes for reducing meteorological dependence of crops, creating new feeds, finding new feed resources, use the secondary products resulting from processing as feed, utilization of biomass, precision farming, creating food supplements and healthy foods

SELECTION PRINCIPLES AND CRITERIA FOR STEP I

- ➤ The principle of quality products, the development of products or technologies with high added value
 - > Development of products, techniques, processes in the organic sector
 - ➤ Development of products that participate in National / European quality schemes
 - ➤ Develoment of products from farms in HNV areas



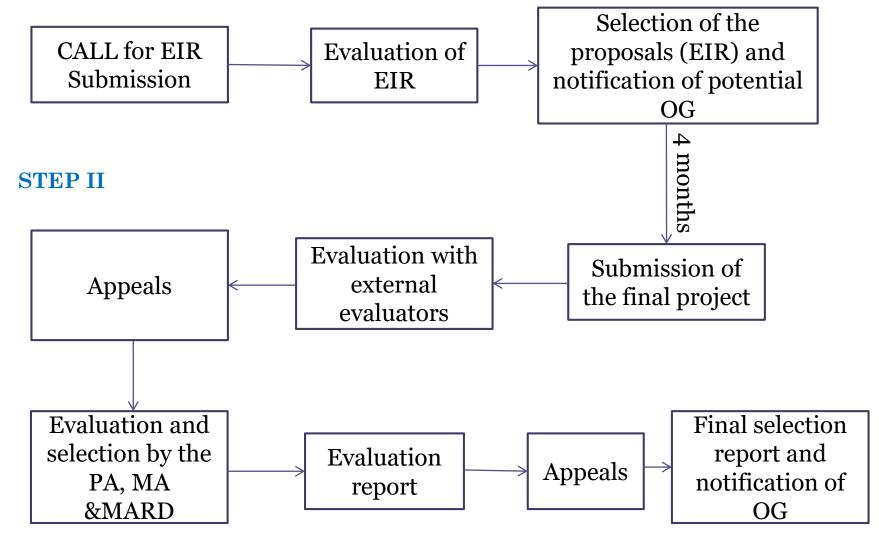
SELECTION PRINCIPLES AND CRITERIA FOR STEP II

- > The principles and criteria from step I
- > The principle of the appropriate partnership structure based on project objectives
- > The principle of association (Operational Groups that include producer groups or cooperatives).



SELECTION AND EVALUATION PROCESS

STEP I





THANK YOU!

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