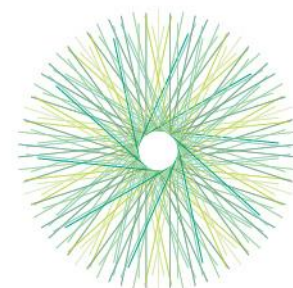


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Pierre Schwartz



Ministry of Agriculture and Food, France

Pierre SCHWARTZ, is Head of the Environmental Performance and Territorial Development Department (SDPE), General Directorate for the Economical and Environmental Performance of Enterprises (DGPE), French Ministry for Agriculture and Agrifood (DGPE).

His career has been focused on regional and rural development in France (two positions of European desk officer within the prefecture of "Limousin" region and "Pays de la Loire" region) and in Europe (pre- Accession adviser, in Romania and in Hungary, for the management of European funds for rural development). He was been appointed counselor for agricultural affairs at the economic service of the French Embassy in Romania. In August 2012, he came back to France as Head of Rural Development and Horses department. Since May 2015, he became Head of the Environmental Performance and Territorial Development Department. In this position, he is in charge of the animation of teams responsible for water, soil and circular economy; agricultural land management; agricultural development and chambers of agriculture; territorial actions and services to local and regional authorities, particularly the National Rural Network and EIP AGRI. He was also appointed as «Agroecology Project» manager since June 2016.

Pierre SCHWARTZ, is agronomist, senior engineer for bridges, waters and forests, and graduate in Economics of Environment and Spatial Analysis.

Alberto D'Avino



European Commission, DG Agriculture and Rural Development

Alberto D'Avino is the deputy head of the Research and Innovation Unit in DG Agriculture and Rural Development, holding this role since January 2017. He coordinates the activities of the team in charge of the European Innovation Partnership for agricultural productivity and sustainability (EIP-AGRI) and contributes to the conception of EU agricultural research policy under the Horizon 2020 framework programme. He started his career at the European Commission in in 2000. Over the last years, he has had an extensive experience in various services of DG AGRI, notably in the domain of the economic analysis and the agricultural markets. Before the current position, he acted as deputy head of the unit in charge of the Analysis of Trade and International Policies, where he used to coordinate the economic analysis about multilateral and bilateral trade agreements negotiated by the EU.

Sarah Watson

EIP-AGRI Service Point



Sarah Watson is the owner of Urban Growing a management consultancy which provides project and programme development, change management and communications support, specialising in conference and meeting facilitation (2012 – 2018). She runs the Sustainable Food City Partnership, a food charity based in her local area, promoting local and sustainable food, developing short supply chains and combating food poverty (2014 – 2018), and has been involved in short supply chain development work at a European level for over 15 years, through the LEADER Programme and the European Network for Rural Development. Sarah holds a BSc in Land Based Enterprise and is currently studying for an MA in Strategic Management and Leadership.

European Commission, DG Agriculture and Rural Development

Miroslav Božić



Miroslav Božić is a policy officer in a Research and Innovation unit of DG AGRI. Before joining the European Commission he was working as an evaluation expert in the European Rural Evaluation Network. He also served as a researcher at the Ghent University with focus on the agri-food chain. Miroslav is an agricultural engineer who also holds an International MSc in Rural Development.

Anikó Seregélyi



Anikó Seregélyi is policy officer at the European Commission, Directorate General for Agriculture and Rural Development (DG AGRI) Research and Innovation unit. She started her career at the European Commission DG TAXUD in 2007. In March 2015 she joined DG AGRI Research and Innovation Unit, European Innovation Partnership team. Among her current responsibilities are activities and events related to the EU-wide EIP-AGRI network (Focus Groups, workshops, seminars) and the EIP-AGRI contract management. Prior to joining the Commission, she worked as EU project manager for the Hungarian Science and Technology Foundation in Budapest. She was responsible for several research supporting projects in the 5th and 6th RTD Framework Programme and for researchers' mobility issues. Anikó Seregélyi studied Geography at the Eötvös Loránd University Budapest and has a master in European Studies, Aachen University, Germany

Inge Van Oost



Inge Van Oost is policy officer at the European Commission, Directorate General Agriculture and Rural Development (DG AGRI). She has been setting up and is now supporting the implementation of the European Innovation Partnership "Agricultural Productivity and Sustainability" (EIP-AGRI), in particular as regards rural development and cross-cutting aspects in Horizon 2020. As member of the DG AGRI 2012 Taskforce "Research and Innovation" she was instrumental in shaping DG AGRI's research and innovation approach and the Horizon 2020 work programmes, and developed the new concepts "multi-actor approach" and "thematic networks". In her former post at the Commission she was policy officer in the Direct Support Unit and the Cross Compliance Unit, responsible for cross-compliance, the Farm Advisory System and interlinkages with the Rural Development policy.

Before working at the Commission Inge Van Oost was coordinator of the demonstration projects at the Directorate-General for Agriculture and Horticulture of the Flemish Region. There she drafted rural development measures and designed the farm advisory system. She was also evaluator of many agricultural research projects and member of diverse selection committees. In the former federal Belgian Administration for Agriculture she served the Secretariat-General as coordinator of the Horticultural Chain, dealing with chain management, food quality, traceability and safety, sustainability of production methods, communication with consumers and much more.

Before joining the administration, she worked as a farm advisor, and after a while as coordinator of the advisory team. Based in an applied research institute, the team did not only advise farmers, but also designed and implemented experiments and on-farm demonstration projects.

EIP- AGRI Service Point team

Pacôme Elouna Eyenga Facilitator



Pacôme Elouna Eyenga is Belgian and was born in Yaoundé, Cameroon. He graduated as Agricultural Engineer in the field of rural economy and sociology, at Gembloux Agro-Bio Tech / Université de Liège in Belgium.

Since July 2014, he is the Team Leader of the EIP AGRI Service Point in which he was appointed Deputy Team Leader at its establishment in 2013 by the European Commission, namely DG AGRI. Before joining EIP AGRI Service Point, he has been working as European Affairs Officer from 2008 at VLM – Flemish Land Agency (Belgium) where he was dealing with European projects and policies especially rural development and cohesion policy, and networking. He is also Secretary General of AEIAR (Association Européenne des Institutions d'Aménagement Rural) since 2012.

Andrés Manuel García Lamparte Backup



PhD. Forest Engineer by the University of Santiago de Compostela. He has been working as research assistant in the Land Laboratory of the same university since 2007. Andrés'

main fields of research are land-use change models, spatial analysis and decision support tools. Andrés is working since 2014 at the EIP-AGRI Service Point as database officer and website administrator.

He has participated as backup in the EIP-AGRI Focus Group on water and agriculture and Task Manager of the EIP-AGRI Focus Group on mixed farming systems. Andrés has also been the Task Manager of the EIP-AGRI Workshop 'new value chains from multifunctional forests'. He currently works as backup in the Focus Groups on carbon storage on arable farming and renewable energy on the farm.

Céline Karasinski
Task Manager



She started in June 2014 as policy officer for the European innovation partnership 'Agricultural productivity and sustainability' (EIP-AGRI Service Point). She is working non-permanent for the EIP-AGRI Service Point.

She works since 2009 for the Chamber of Agriculture of Deux-Sèvres in France. During this period she was involved in short food supply chain in agriculture and agritourism.

From 2012 to 2016, she works as leader Group of regional rural network for Consular Chambers. In this unit she is responsible for organisation of meetings and conferences, coordination of working groups and help to the cooperation projects of the Local Action Group. She participates of the French rural network's meetings and conferences.

From June 2017, she manages a LEADER programme in her country and facilitate a Local Action Group.

Céline Karasinski is Agricultural engineer, specialist of environment and ecology; she studied at the Ecole Nationale Supérieure d'Agronomie of Toulouse (France).

Liisa Kübarsepp
Facilitator



Liisa is working in the EIP-AGRI Service Point in the Science and Research Sub-unit of the Animation team. She is currently working for the Estonian Agricultural Research Centre and in the Estonian Crop Research Institute where she maintains the Potato Genebank which contains more than 450 varieties all over the world. She has previously worked in the Estonian University of Life Sciences as a junior researcher and continues her Ph.D. studies in the same university focusing on impacts of climate change on different plant species and plant water relations.

Eike Lepmets
Facilitator



Eike holds a BSc in horticulture, currently she works at the Agri-Environment Bureau of the Ministry of Rural Affairs and at the Agri-environmental Monitoring Bureau of the Agricultural Research Centre (ARC) in Estonia. She is also a part-time farmer growing organic vegetables. Eike has a lot of experiences in programming the agri-environment measures for the Rural Development Programmes. She has been initiating and leading different working groups, organising trainings for advisors and farmers and being an active member of many rural development and agri-environment discussion groups. Eike is working at the EIP-AGRI Service Point since 2017. Currently he is a backup in preparing the Focus Group on reducing food loss on the farm.



Ina Van Hoyer
Communication officer

Ina Van Hoyer is communication officer at the EIP-AGRI Service Point. She is responsible for the communications strategy, press contacts, social media, dissemination of the communication tools and events coordinator. Ina Van Hoyer is a communication expert who has more than 15 years communication experience. Previously she was involved in several regional and European projects for the Flemish Government, Waterwegen en Zeekanaal NV to support them in their communication for several Sigma Plan projects.