

# **EIP-AGRI Workshop** **'Connecting innovative projects:** **Water & Agriculture'**

30 – 31 May 2018  
Almeria, Spain

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# EIP-AGRI Workshop

## 'Connecting innovative projects: Water & Agriculture'

### DAY 1 – WEDNESDAY, 30 MAY 2018

- 9:00 – 9:30 **Welcome and introduction**
- Concepcion Cobos, General Secretary of European Agrarian Funds, *Andalusia Regional Ministry of Agriculture*
  - Anikó Seregélyi, *European Commission, DG Agriculture and Rural Development*
- 9:30 – 10:45 **Setting the scene**
- Part 1: The Framework  
Policy background and European Innovation Partnerships
- Gerard Shortle, *European Commission DG Environment*
  - **Anikó Seregélyi, *European Commission, DG Agriculture and Rural Development***
  - Carlos Mario Gomez, representative of *EIP Water*
- Part 2: The Projects  
Interviews with EIP-AGRI Operational Groups, H2020 research, EIP-Water Action Group, LIFE and INTERREG project representatives
- Part 3: The Discussions  
Main outcomes of Focus Groups at European and National level
- Helena Gomez Macpherson, coordinating expert of *EIP-AGRI Focus Group: Water & agriculture: adaptive strategies at farm level*
  - Raquel Bravo Rubio, coordinator of *Spanish Focus Group on Water management, energy and environment*
- 10:45 – 11:15 Coffee break
- 11:15 – 13:00 **Interactive exhibition of projects**  
Meet and learn about Operational Groups, H2020 research, EIP-Water, LIFE and INTERREG innovative projects
- 13:00-14:00 Lunch
- 14:00 Departure for field visits

**Anikó Seregélyi**  
**European Commission, DG Agriculture**  
**and Rural Development**



# The European Innovation Partnerships (EIPs)

- New approach under the **Europe 2020 Strategy** for smart, sustainable and inclusive growth
- Flagship Initiative "**Innovation Union**": EIPs as a new tool for **fostering innovation through linking existing policies and instruments**
- EIPs should provide favourable conditions for research and innovation partners to **co-operate and achieve better and faster results** compared to existing approaches
- 5 EIPs: Active & Healthy Ageing, Smart Cities and Communities, **Water**, Raw Materials, **AGRI**

# EIP-AGRI in a nutshell

- Launched by the Commission in February 2012 (COM (2012)79)
- Aim: Fostering a competitive and sustainable agriculture and forestry sector that 'achieves more from less'
- Approach: Closing the innovation gap between research and practice and forming partnerships by:
  - ✓ Using the interactive innovation model
  - ✓ Linking actors through the EIP-AGRI Network
  - ✓ Shape existing knowledge into solutions

# Connecting policies: the bigger EIP picture

**CAP /Rural development**  
(regional/national level)

**HORIZON 2020**  
(European projects)



- **Research projects**
- **Multi-actor projects and thematic networks** (interactive innovation)



*Funding for:*

**OG preparation**

**OG projects**

**Innovation support services**

**Involvement of OGs is strongly recommended**



**Unique EU knowledge repository of contacts and practice abstracts**

Spread the results



# Operational Group



## Infographic

### Setting up an Operational Group

1 IDENTIFY THE PROBLEM OR INNOVATIVE IDEA



2 FIND THE RIGHT PARTNERS TO MAKE YOUR PROJECT WORK



3 GET TO KNOW THE DETAILS AND MAKE A PLAN

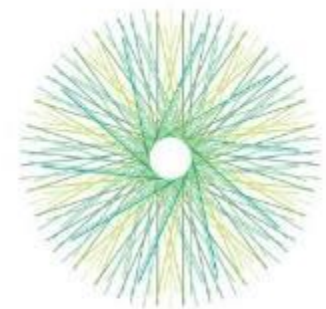


4 SPREAD THE RESULTS



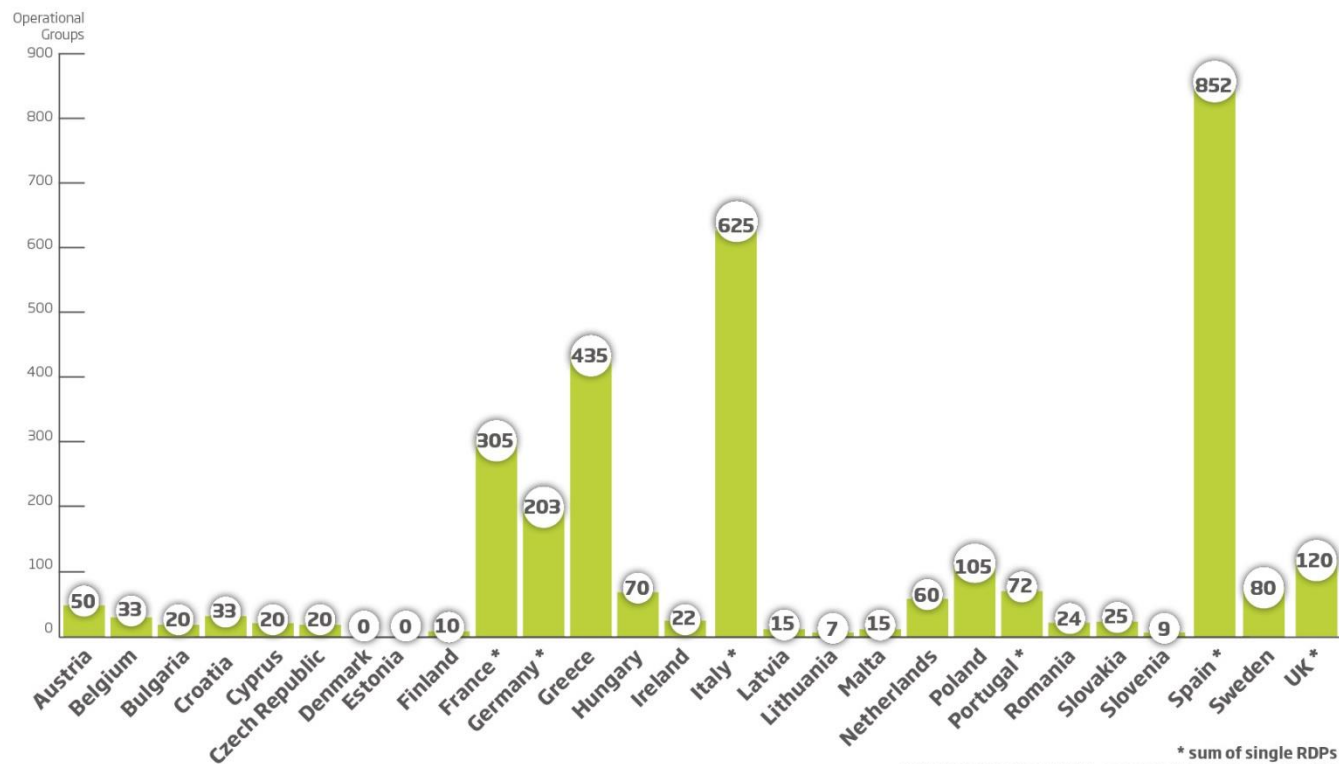
Visit the EIP-AGRI website for relevant information and useful networking tools

# Number of planned EIP Operational Groups RDPs 2014-2020 (update Set 2017)



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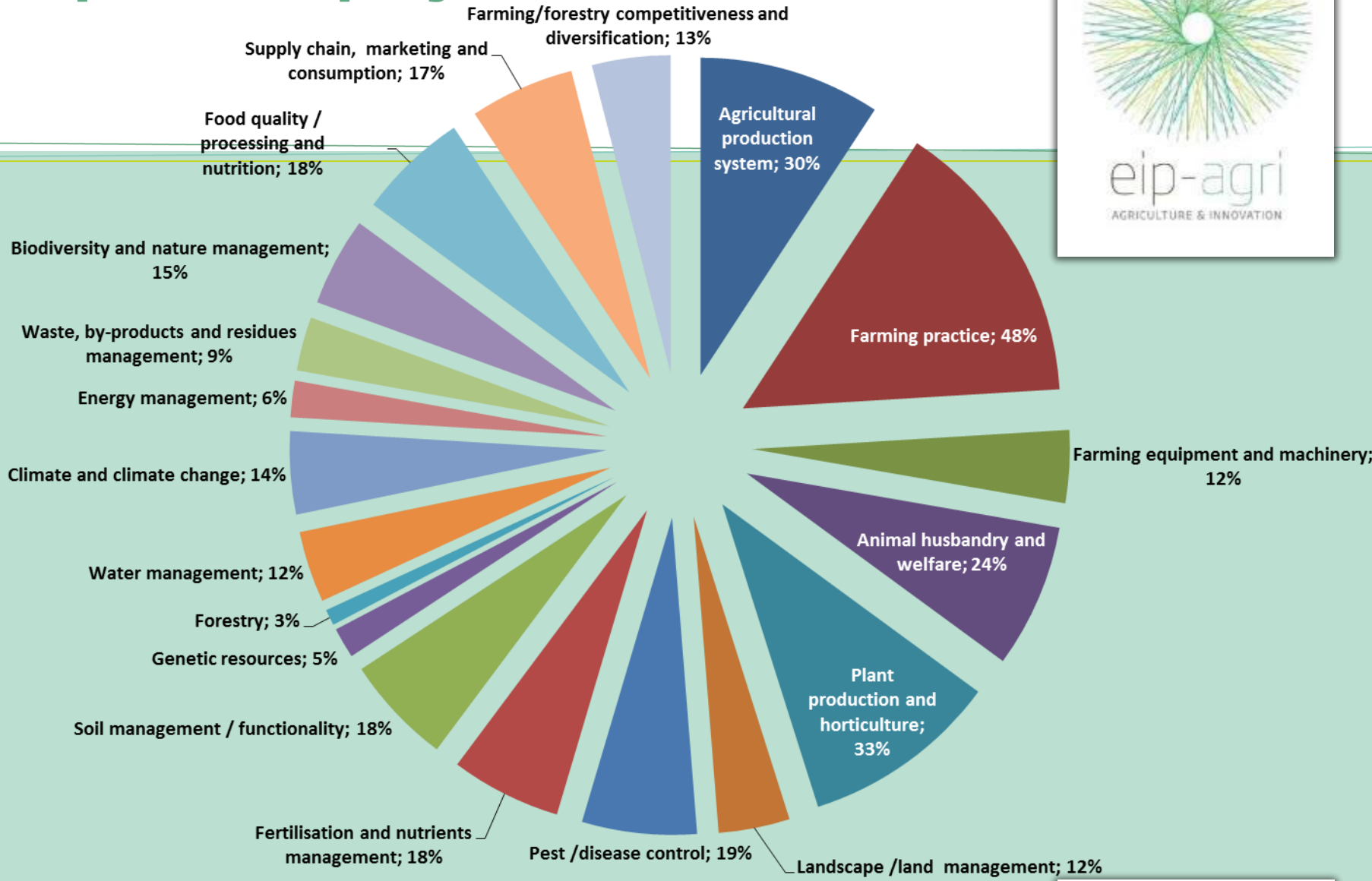
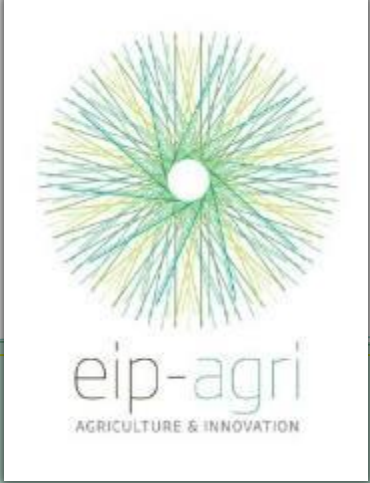
\* sum of single RDPs  
update September 2017 - source: European Commission

\* Sum at national level





# Scope of OG projects



Source: SFC, May 2018 – N.B. one project can fall under several categories



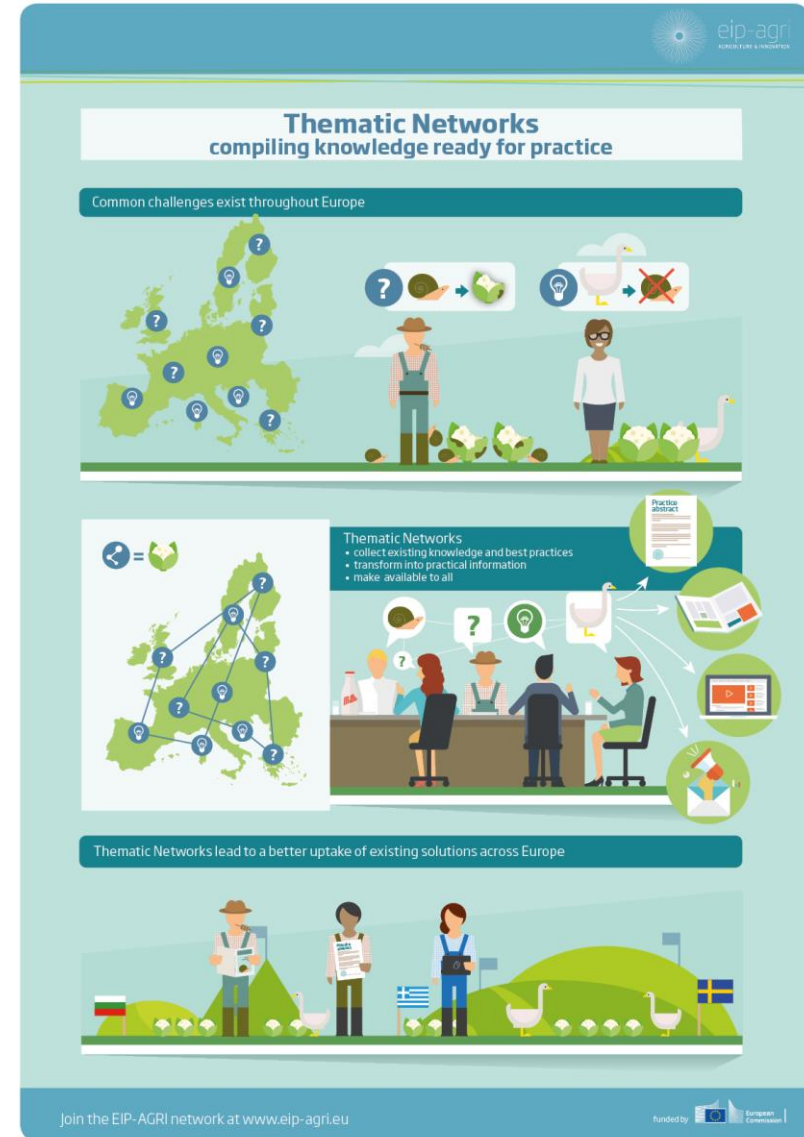
## H2020 Multi-actor projects

- Multi-actor projects prescribe involvement of actors with complementary types of knowledge (scientific and practical) in order to **better target the needs of end users** (demand-driven innovation)
- Aim to **improve impact** (=real application of the results in daily practice) through co-creation by different types of actors (co-ownership)
- Clear role for the different actors in the work, including for the dissemination of results and the possible demonstration phase.
- Results should feed into the EIP-AGRI for broad dissemination as practice abstracts respecting a common format.
- Involvement of RD operational groups or other interactive innovation groups is strongly recommended



# Thematic networks compiling knowledge ready for practice

- Particular format of multi-actor projects, covering science and practice on specific themes.
- Themes are chosen fully bottom-up.
- Approach: collect and develop research results, scientific knowledge and best practices that are close to being put into application, but insufficiently known and/or used by people in the field.
- Aim: make knowledge ready for practice, for instance through information sheets and audio-visual material.
- Material should be available beyond the lifespan of the project on the main dissemination channels, notably the EIP-AGRI database.



# 17 thematic networks



# + 6 new ones starting this year

## Innovation systems



## Crops



EUFRUIT – European Fruit Network



## Environment, mixed farming, grasslands

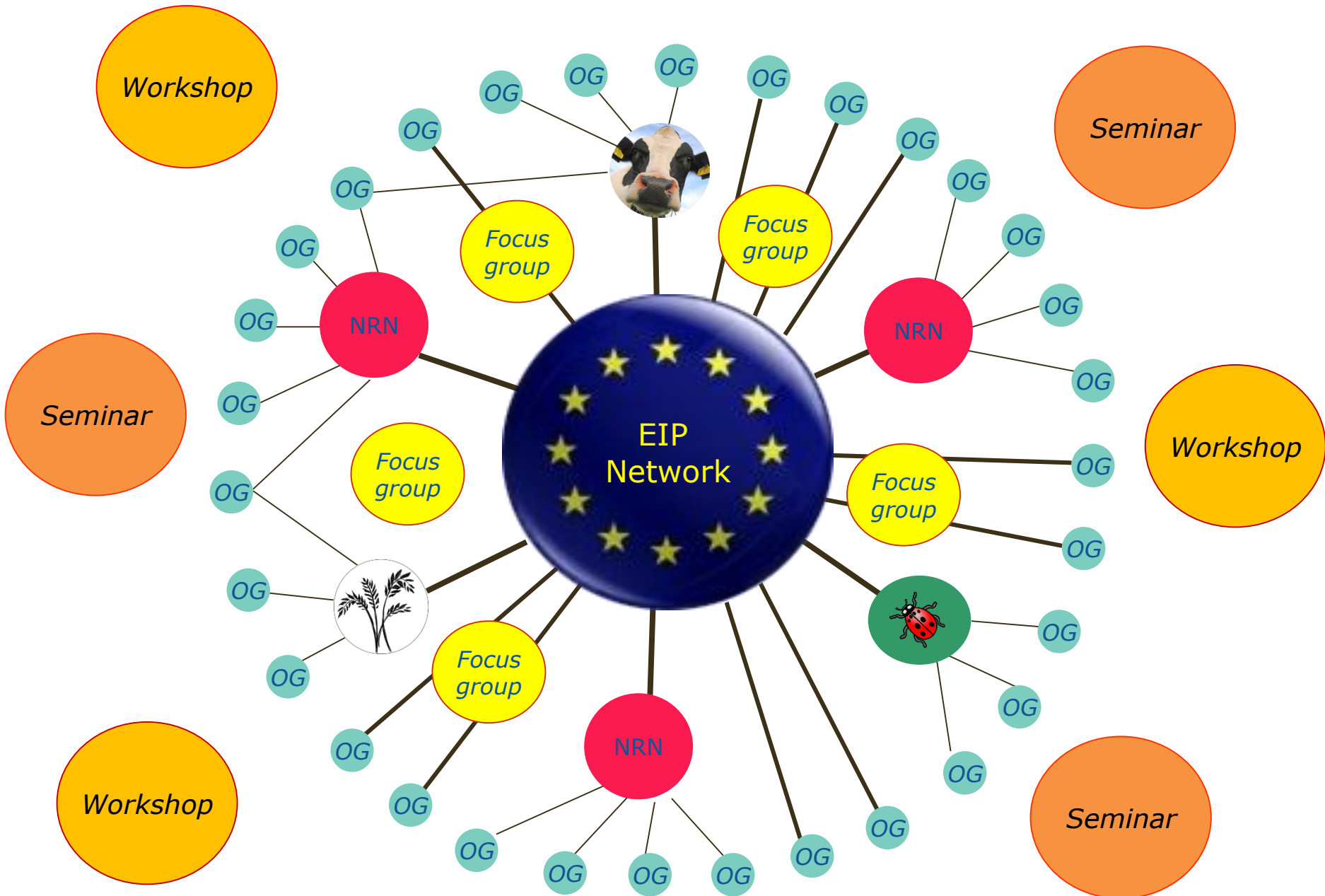


## Livestock



## Value chains





# EIP-AGRI Focus Groups tackling agricultural challenges



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EIP-AGRI Focus Groups are

- temporary groups of selected experts
- focusing on a specific subject
- sharing knowledge and experience
- Open calls for interest of participation
- 20 participants, different types of actors
- Short duration, focused
- Inspiration to set up Operational Groups, identifying research needs coming from practice
- 31 Focus Groups (FG) to date

<http://ec.europa.eu/eip/agriculture/en/content/focus-groups>



# Focus Group “Water & Agriculture: adaptive strategies at farm level”

## Question tackled

- What farm level adaptation strategies exist or can be developed to deal with water scarcity?

# For more information on OGs...

<https://ec.europa.eu/eip/agriculture/en/my-eip-agri/operational-groups>

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## Operational Groups

**Innovation in the supply chain**

The EIP-AGRI Workshop 'Innovation in the supply chain: creating value together' took place in Lyon (France) in February 2018. It brought together 48 Operational Groups and 9 research projects, including... [Read more](#)

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Relevant documents

REPORT  
EIP-AGRI Workshop Innovation in the supply chain: Short report [Read more](#)

REPORT  
EIP-AGRI Communication survey 2018 [Read more](#)

BROCHURE  
EIP-AGRI Brochure Operational Groups - Collaborate to innovate [Read more](#)

EIP-AGRI DOCUMENT  
Operational Groups represented at the EIP-AGRI Workshop 'Innovation in the supply chain' [Read more](#)

EIP-AGRI DOCUMENT  
EIP-AGRI Focus Group on Circular Horticulture: Starting paper [Read more](#)

FACTSHEET  
EIP-AGRI Factsheet on Skills development [Read more](#)

FACTSHEET  
EIP-AGRI Factsheet on Strengthening links between research and practice [Read more](#)

Discover "Operational Group" Projects

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Latest projects  
UNITED KINGDOM - 27 MARCH 2018  
Detailed description of the project: [https://ec.europa.eu/eip/agriculture/en/my-eip-agri/operational-groups](#)

Key questions & information  
EIP-AGRI Concept [VIEW MORE](#)

## OG brochures



## OG leaflets

## OG Videos







European Commission > EIP-AGRI > Meeting point > Search Interesting Projects > Control de Monilinia spp. en fruta de hueso: utilización de modelos de predicción métodos profilácticos

- Search
- Search practice
- Search
- Online
- Search

**Description of activities (native language):**

1. Obtener un modelo predictivo de Monilinia spp. con aplicaciones de productos fitosanitarios y evaluación del número de residuos y la aparición de resistencias. 2. Estudiar si las estaciones agrometeorológicas del DARP son adecuadas para correlacionar con el modelo o si es mejor establecer una red propia. 3. Realizar los tratamientos fungicidas en función de la predicción (antes y después de lluvias) y desarrollar una estrategia de eliminación de frutos podridos antes de la cosecha. 4. Establecer metodologías para determinar el riesgo de aparición de Monilinia spp. en postcosecha. 5. Redacción de una guía de buenas prácticas 6. Realización de cursos de formación.

**Description of activities (in English):**

1. Obtention of a predictive model of Monilinia spp. with applications of pesticides and assessment of residues levels and the development of resistances. 2. Studying whether meteorological stations of DARP are suitable for correlating the model or whether it is better to establish an own network, allowing to place stations in representative areas. 3. Applying fungicide treatment depending on weather conditions (before and after the rain) and developing a strategy for removing rotten fruit before harvest. 4. Establishing methods to determine the risk of Monilinia spp. during postharvest. 5. Publishing a manual of good practices. 6. Training courses

Total budget: 184300

Project coordinator

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Project partners

Further details

**Description of the context of the project:**

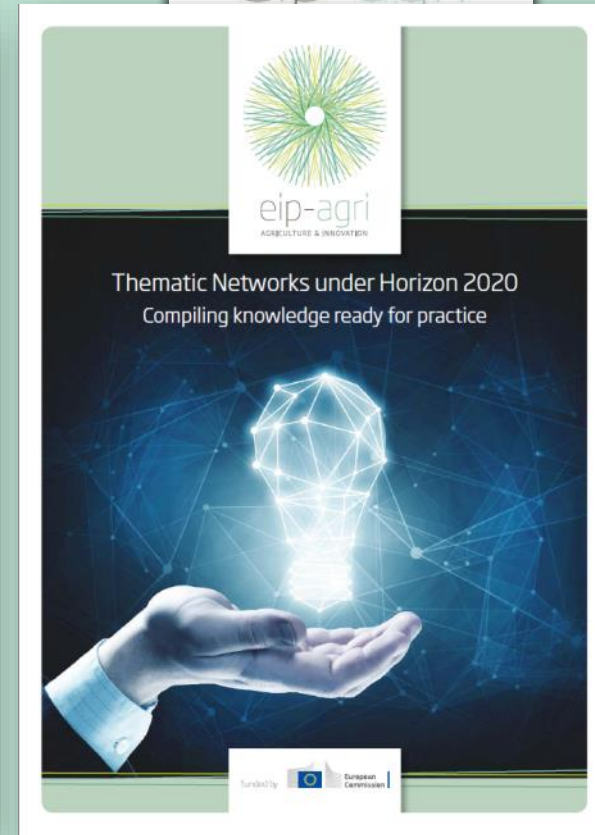
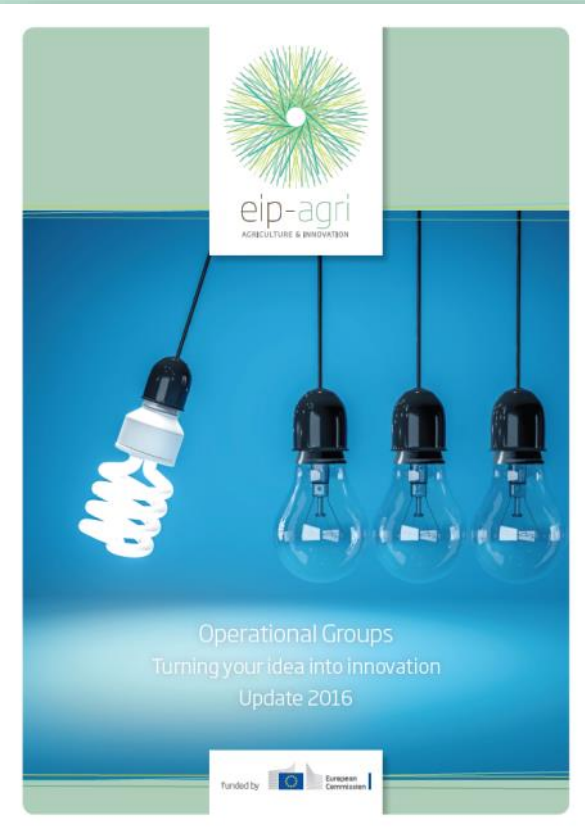
Brown fruit rot caused by Monilinia spp. (*M. laxa*, *M. fructigena* and *M. fructicola*) is the main disease affecting stone fruits in our area. It causes serious losses both in the field and during post-harvest and it creates marketing complications. This project aims to improve its control in stone fruit through the use of predictive models, in order to make the treatments only when necessary, to select the best products for each moment (depending also on the existence of resistant strains) and to assess the feasibility of introducing preventive practices.

# EIP AGRI Project database



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# Interactive innovation in practice!



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