



IDEAS FOR EU CAP NETWORK GOVERNANCE

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Keep the current overall governance structure

ASSEMBLY

STEERING GROUP

PERMANENT SUBGROUPS
(GREXE)

BUT - adapted to new CAP networking needs:

- ✓ single network with wider scope
- ✓ membership which reflects this new context

EU CAP Network ASSEMBLY

- Over-arching, horizontal governance body, composed of various stakeholders and MS administration, **enlarged** to reflect the wider scope of CAP network (Pillar 1, sectoral interventions) and **involve** all relevant stakeholders
 - MS administrations, advisory and research institutions
 - National CAP networks
 - LAGs
 - EU wide NGOs
 - EU wide organisations representing local and regional authorities
- provides **strategic framework and guidance** for the activities of the EU CAP network
- discusses **policy updates** in relation to networking activities
- proposes members for Steering group and permanent Subgroups
- meets annually, including side by side **networking** event

EU CAP Network STEERING GROUP

- main role **to steer** network's activities and thematic work, based on strategic input from Assembly and needs expressed by permanent Subgroups and GREXE
- ensures **coordination** of permanent Subgroups and other network's thematic work, including evaluation
- ensures coherence and complementarity of the different activity strands of the EU CAP Network
- prepares Assembly meetings and reports to the Assembly
- policy updates: follow up/novelties (avoid repetition of information shared with the Assembly)

CAP network STEERING GROUP

- **rotating** members: to bring more **dynamism** and **engage more** stakeholders

Option 1.

- to keep the current categories of bodies (possibly increased number to reflect wider Assembly)
- members proposed by Assembly – expression of interest

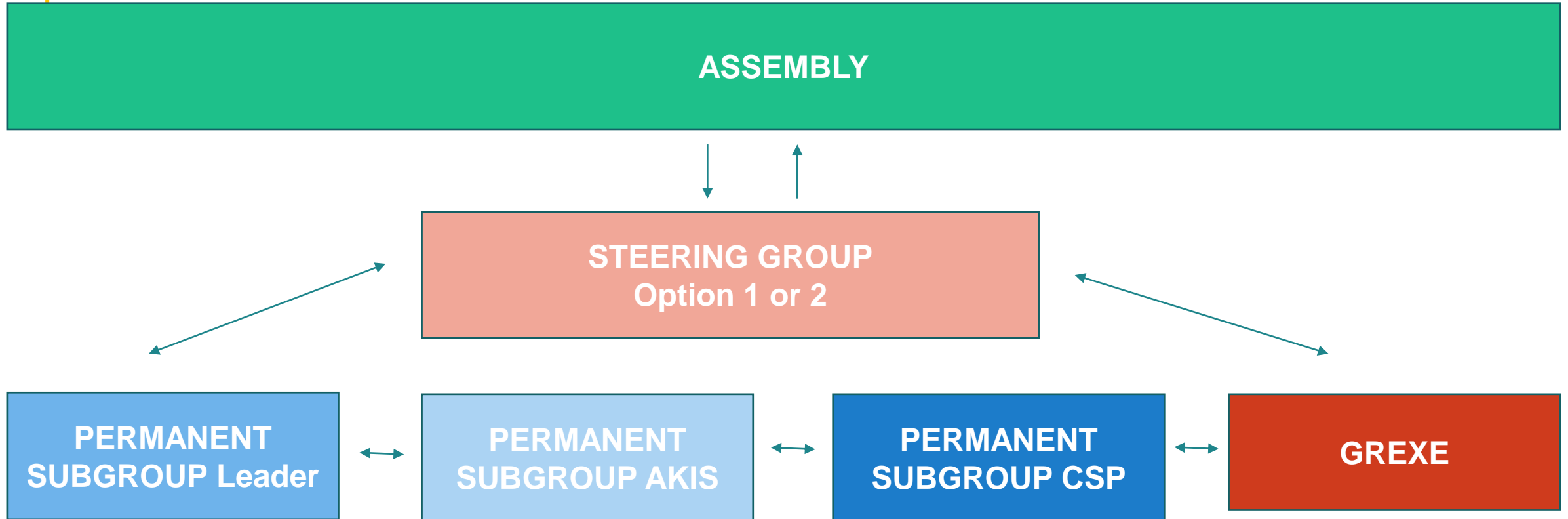
Option 2.

- smaller more operational and coordination body
- 3(?) members selected from each of the permanent Subgroups and GREXE on an expression of interest basis: to ensure regular exchanges and links between Subgroups and overall steering of the network activities
- additional members from the Assembly could be appointed into SG: to ensure vertical links across the governance

PERMANENT SUBGROUPS

- composed on the basis of expression of interest from the organisations/bodies represented in the Assembly, taking care of balance between stakeholders' groups
- focus on **thematic work**: policy implementation issues and thematic networking needs (workshops/seminars)
 - 1) Leader/CLLD (or Leader and local territorial development?): continuation
 - 2) Knowledge and Innovation (or AKIS?): continuation; cross cutting objective
 - 3) **CAP Strategic Plan: new** permanent subgroup, for coordination of network's activities and needs related to CSP implementation
- **GREXE** continues to be the equivalent of the permanent subgroup for evaluation (taking into account an upcoming revision of AGRI Expert Groups)

Structure



Feedback

- Comments, suggestions
- AGRI-NETWORKS-STEERING@ec.europa.eu
- Until 2 November 2021

Thank you



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